

Two Coupled Swarmalators with Chirality

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1 Reference

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Microscopic dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{r}}_i &= v \mathbf{e}_{\theta_i} , \\ \dot{\theta}_i &= \gamma \sum_{j=1}^N F(\theta_j - \theta_i, \mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i) + \sqrt{2\epsilon} \tilde{\eta}_i(t) .\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

The microscopic density of particles at position \mathbf{r} with angle θ is given by

$$f(\mathbf{r}, \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) \delta(\theta - \theta_i) .\tag{2}$$

Using Itô's formula, a stochastic dynamical equation for the density Eq. (2) can be derived:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t f(\mathbf{r}, \theta) + \mathbf{e}_\theta \cdot \nabla [v f] \\ = \epsilon \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \sqrt{2\epsilon f} \eta - \gamma \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int d\theta' d\mathbf{r}' f(\mathbf{r}', \theta') \times f(\mathbf{r}, \theta) F(\theta' - \theta, \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') .\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

Drop the noise term, and Fourier transform Eq. (3) to get equations of motion for

$$f_k \equiv \int f(\mathbf{r}, \theta) e^{ik\theta} d\theta .\tag{4}$$

2 Our Work

We replace the finite range alignment interaction by a pseudopotential (δ -interaction) in the model:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\mathbf{r}}_i &= v \mathbf{p}_i \\ \dot{\theta}_i &= \omega_i + \lambda \sum_{j \neq i} \delta(\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_i) \sin(\theta_j - \theta_i)\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

where $\mathbf{p}_i = (\cos \theta_i, \sin \theta_i)$. The combined probability density of finding a particle at position \mathbf{r}_i with angle θ_i is given by

$$f_i(\mathbf{r}, \theta) = \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) \delta(\theta - \theta_i) .\tag{6}$$

The basic idea is to replace $f_i \omega_i$ by its mean plus a typical fluctuation

$$\omega_i f_i \longrightarrow \bar{\omega} f + \sqrt{\Delta\omega} f \eta, \quad (7)$$

where η describes Gaussian random numbers with zero mean and unit variance

$$\langle \eta(\mathbf{r}, \theta, t) \eta(\mathbf{r}', \theta', t) \rangle = \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \delta(\theta - \theta'), \quad (8)$$

and $\bar{\omega}, \Delta\omega$ are defined by

$$\langle \omega_i \omega_j \rangle = \bar{\omega}^2 + \Delta\omega \delta_{ij} \quad (9)$$

Physically, we should understand Eq.(7) as a local replacement and interpret the above averages as **mesoscopic** ones over all particles within the interaction range around a given point \mathbf{x} rather than a global average over the whole rotor ensemble. Accordingly, we allow $\bar{\omega}$ and η to fluctuate in space and time. We now define a field $\omega(\mathbf{x}, t)$ representing the deviation from the global (time-independent) average rotation frequency $\bar{\omega}_0 = \langle \omega_i \rangle$.

$$\bar{\omega} = \bar{\omega}_0 + \omega(\mathbf{x}, t) \quad (10)$$

We now expand \sqrt{f} for modest deviations from isotropy as follows

$$\sqrt{f} = \sqrt{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f_k e^{-ik\theta}} \approx \frac{\sqrt{f_0}}{2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{f_0}} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} f_k e^{-ik\theta}. \quad (11)$$

After a long calculation, we find the following equations

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\rho} &= -v \nabla \cdot \mathbf{w} \\ \dot{\mathbf{w}} &= (\lambda\rho - 2) \frac{\mathbf{w}}{2} - \frac{v}{2} \nabla \rho + \frac{v^2}{2b} \nabla^2 \mathbf{w} - \frac{\lambda^2}{b} |\mathbf{w}|^2 \mathbf{w} \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda v}{4b} [5 \nabla \mathbf{w}^2 - 10 \mathbf{w} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{w}) - 6 (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{w}] \\ &\quad + \omega \mathbf{w}_{\perp} + \frac{v^2 \omega}{4b} \nabla^2 \mathbf{w}_{\perp} - \frac{\lambda^2 \omega}{2b} |\mathbf{w}|^2 \mathbf{w}_{\perp} \\ &\quad - \frac{\lambda v \omega}{8b} [3 \nabla_{\perp} \mathbf{w}^2 - 6 \mathbf{w} (\nabla_{\perp} \cdot \mathbf{w}) - 10 (\mathbf{w} \cdot \nabla_{\perp}) \mathbf{w}] \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= \langle \omega_i \rangle + \omega(\mathbf{x}, t) + \sqrt{\frac{\Delta\omega}{f}} \eta \\ b &= 2(4 + \omega^2) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{\perp} = (-w_y, w_x)$$

$$\nabla_{\perp} = (-\partial_y, \partial_x)$$