

Stability of Oscillatory Rotating Disk Boundary Layers

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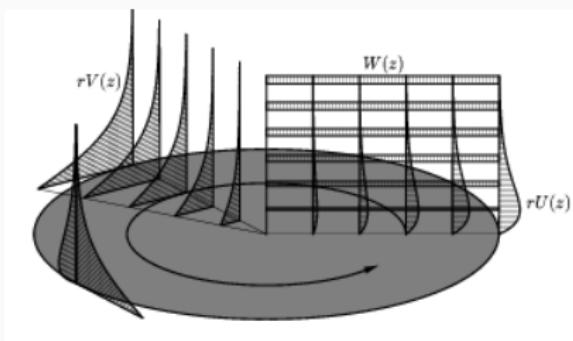
Structure

- **Part 1:** What?
- **Part 2:** Why?
- **Part 3:** How?

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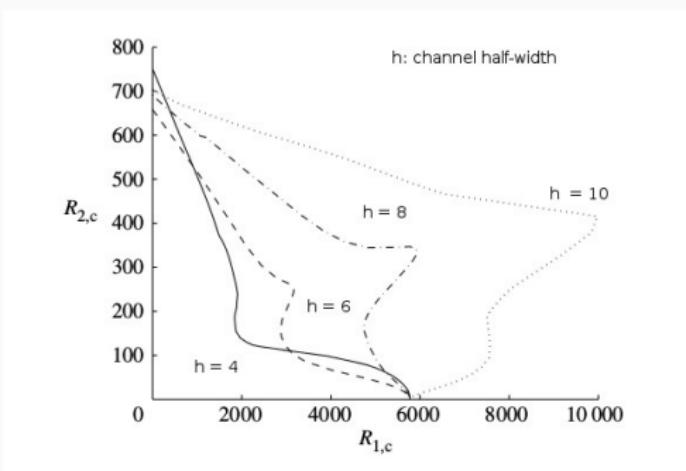
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Adding oscillation to *channel* flow can be stabilising



Thomas et. al. (2011)

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Dominant behaviour is Stokes layer for high-frequency, low amplitude oscillations.

Why?

Why Rotating Disks?

Rotating disks \approx Swept wings

Why Not Just Study Swept Wings?

Reason 1



vs.



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Reason 2

$$F^2 - G^2 + F'H - F'' = 0$$

$$2FG + G'H - G'' = 0$$

$$2F + H' = 0$$

vs.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla^*)\mathbf{u} = -\nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

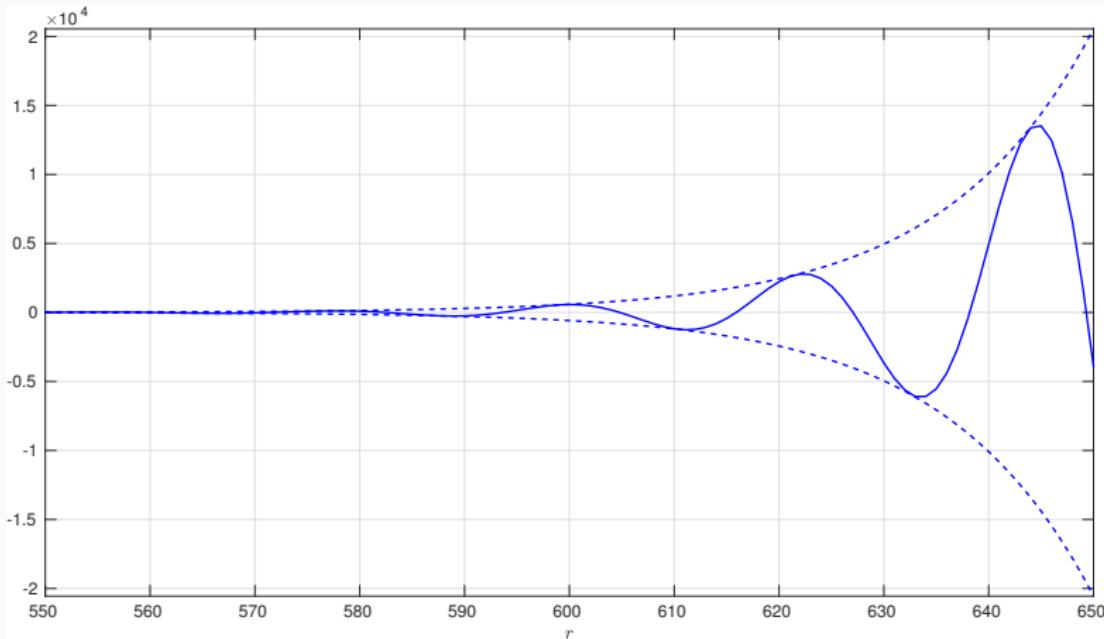
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- Boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}V(r, z = 0, t) &= r\Omega(t) \\&= r(\Omega_0 + \epsilon\phi \cos(\phi t))\end{aligned}$$

Ω_0 - constant rotation rate

ϵ - angular displacement

ϕ - oscillation frequency

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- Solve Navier-Stokes equations using velocity-vorticity formulation.

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- *Floquet mode approximation:*

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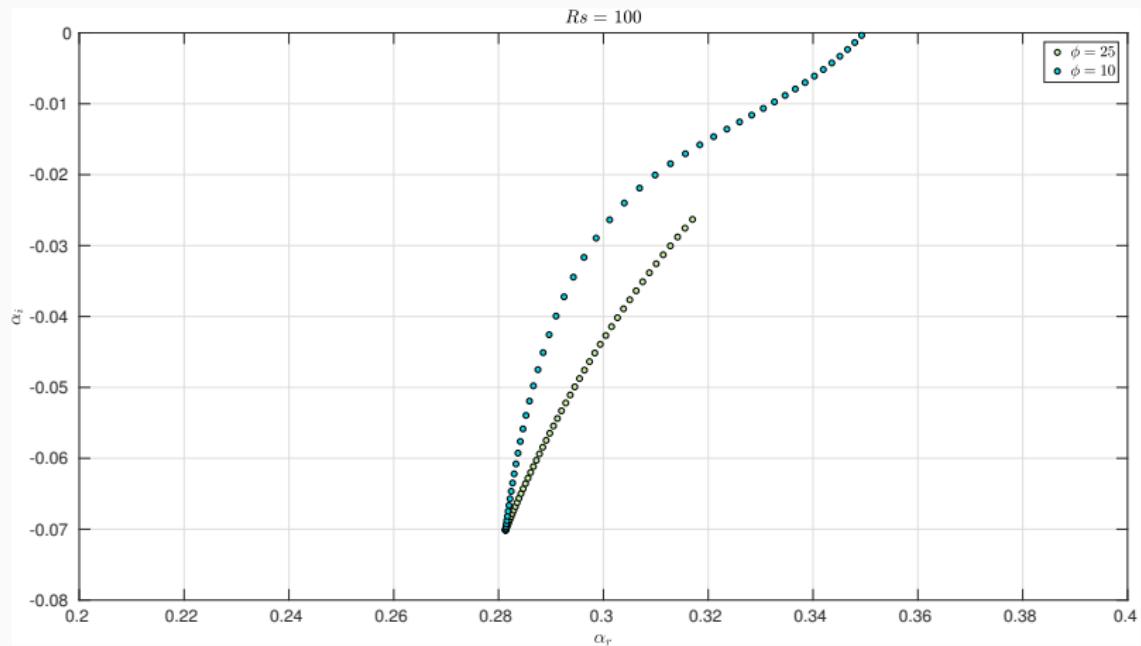
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Steady case: $R_k = 500$, $n = 32$, $\alpha_i \approx -0.07$

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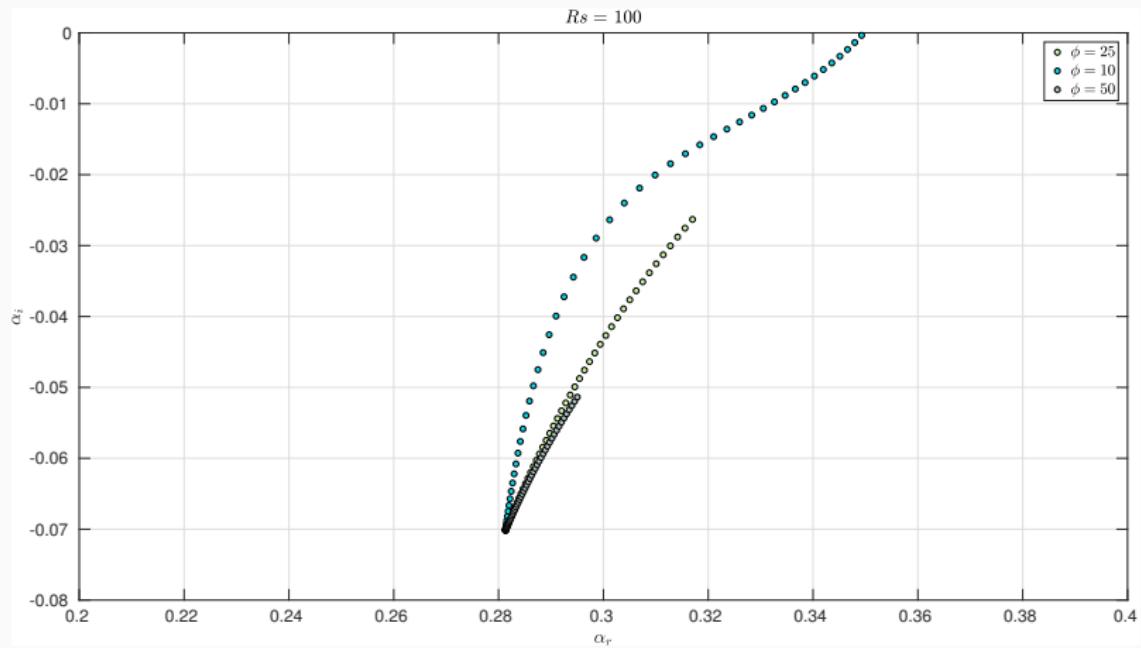
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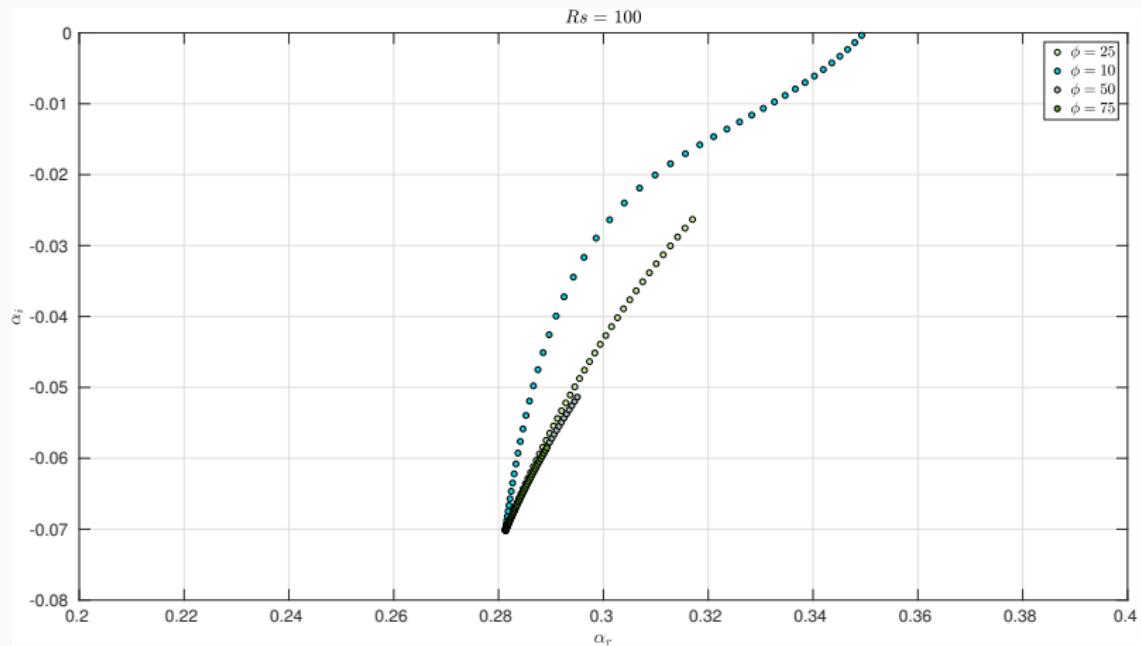
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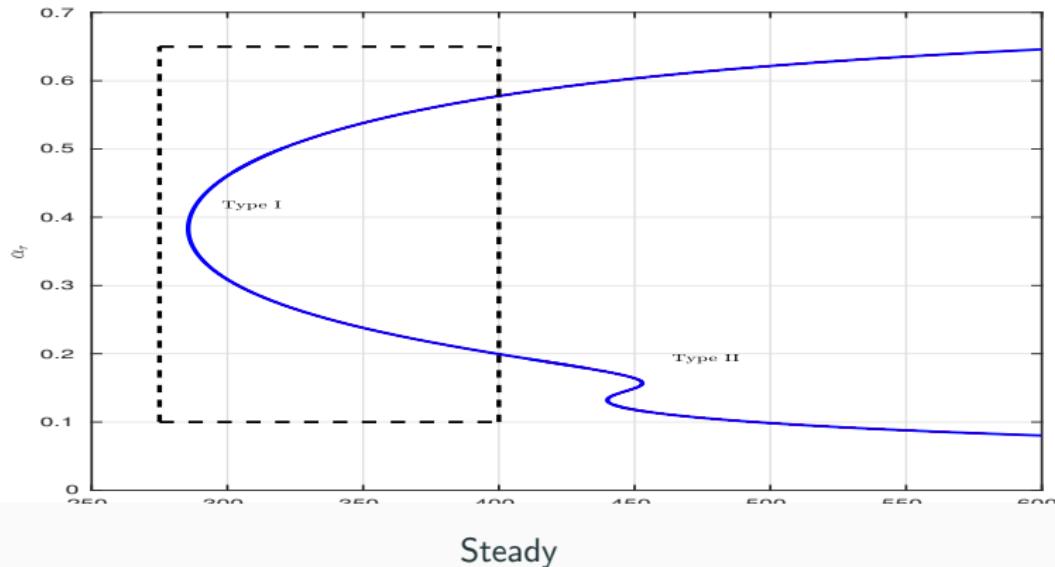
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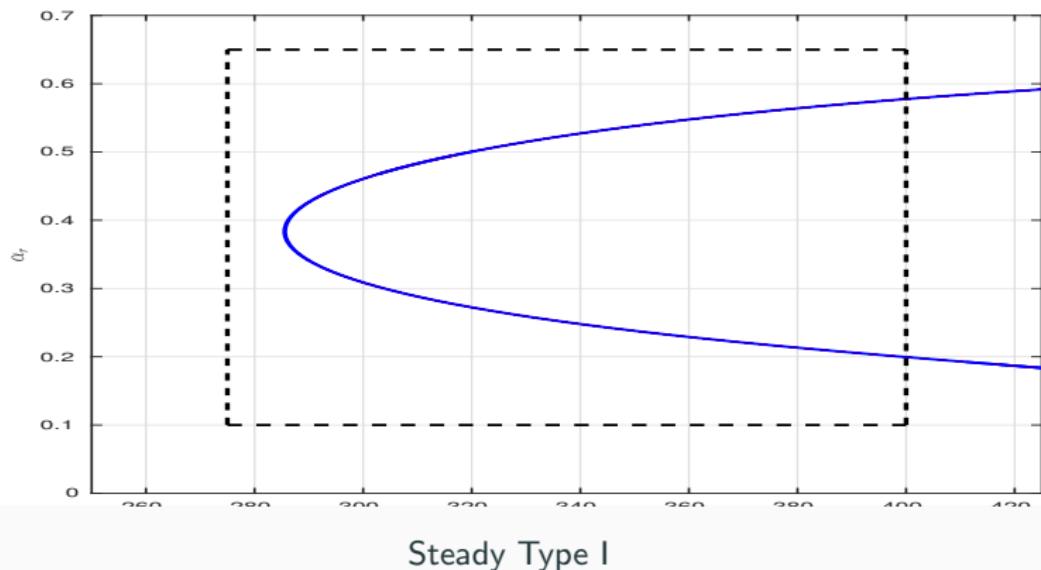


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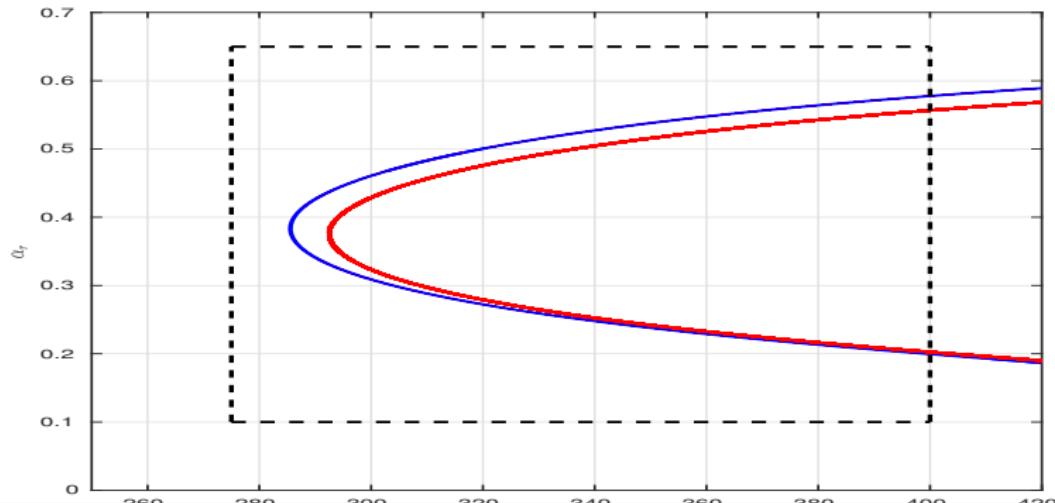
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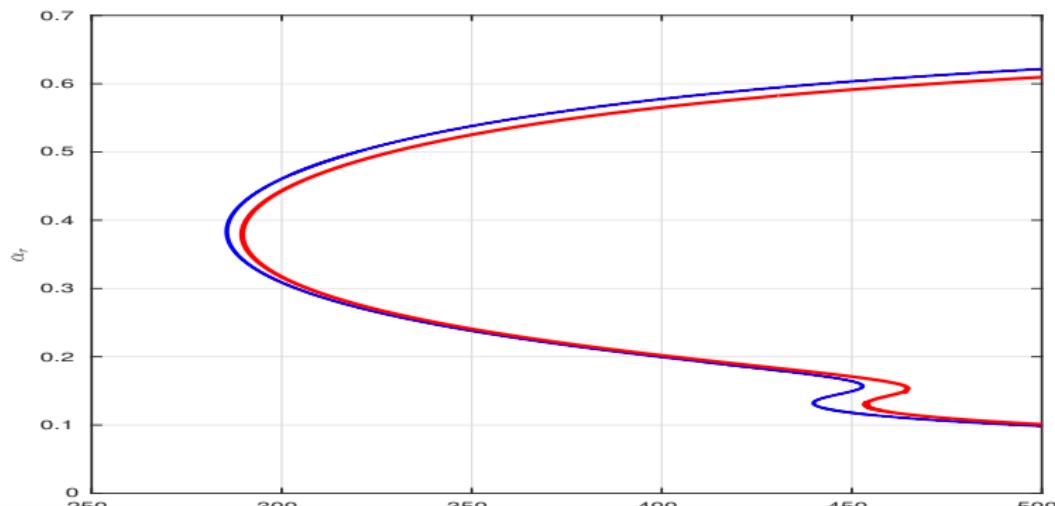


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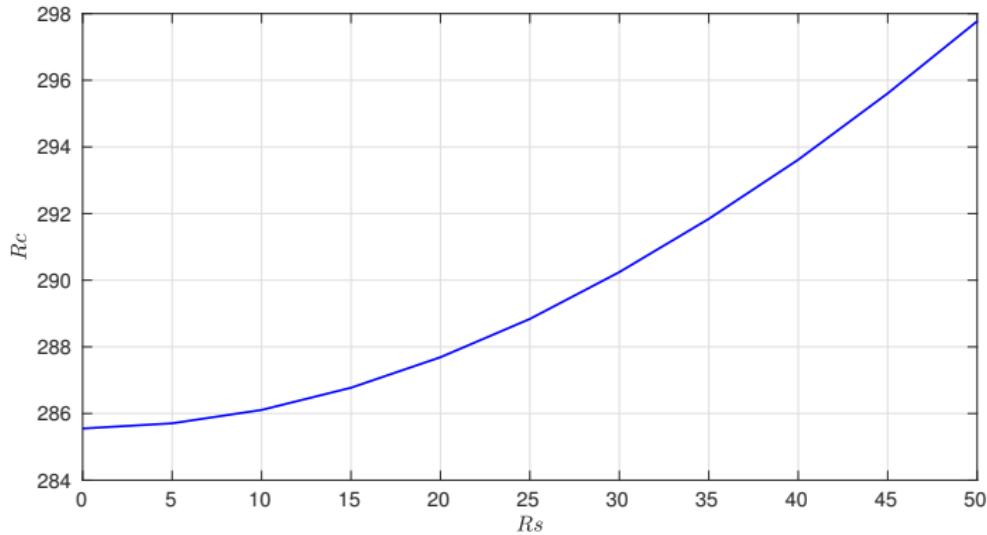
Type I: $R_s = 20$, $\varphi = 25$

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Full curve: $Rs = 20$, $\varphi = 25$

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Critical Type I R_c for $\varphi = 25$ and $R_s \in [0, 50]$

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Approaches

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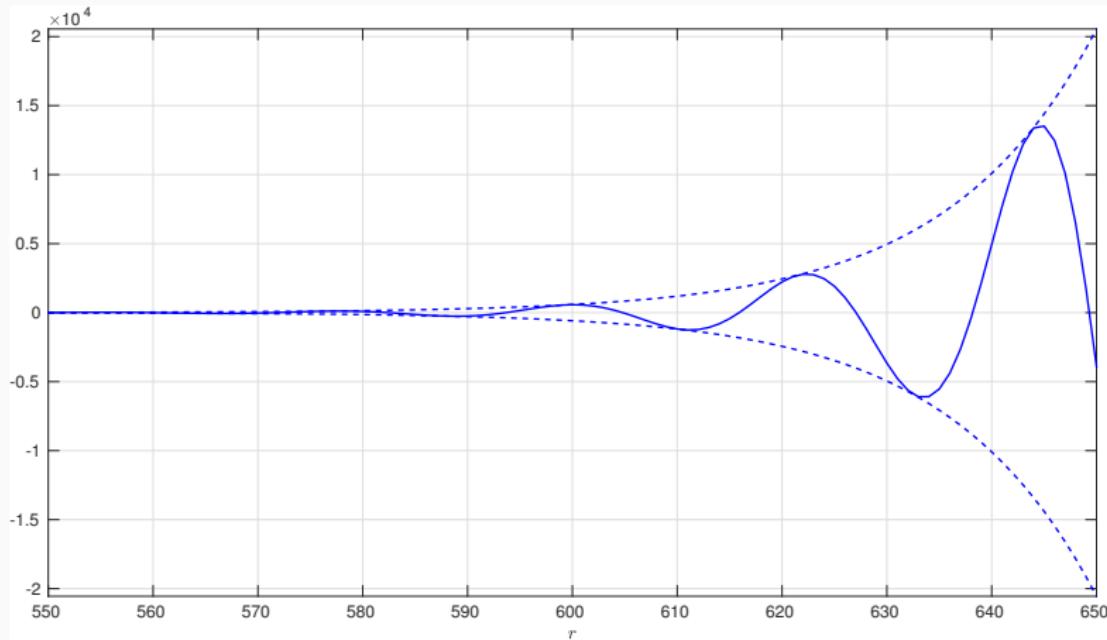
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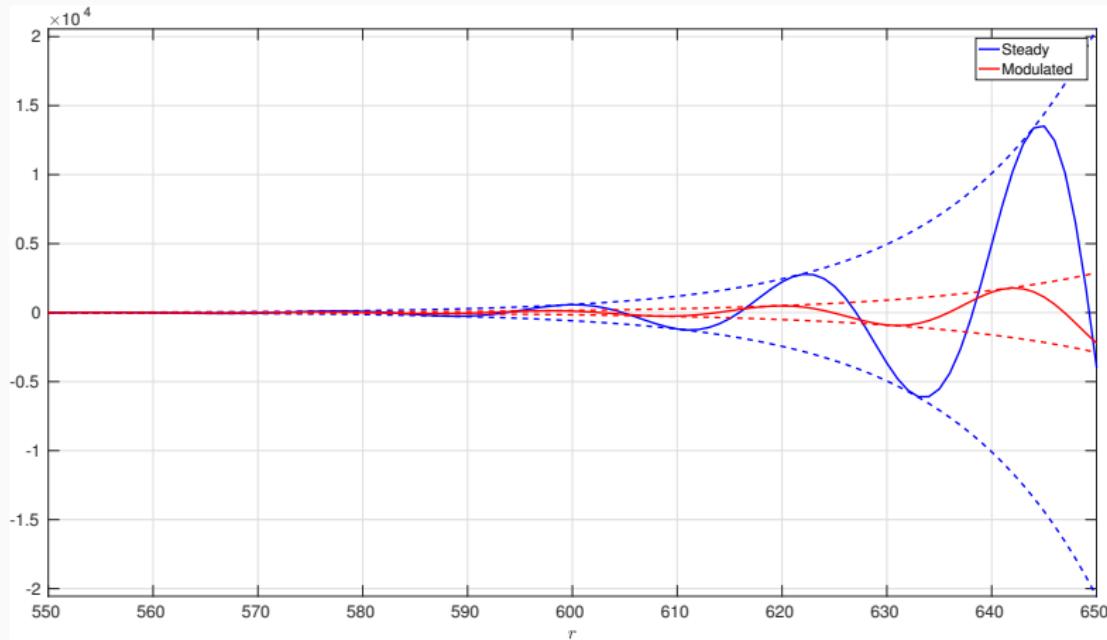
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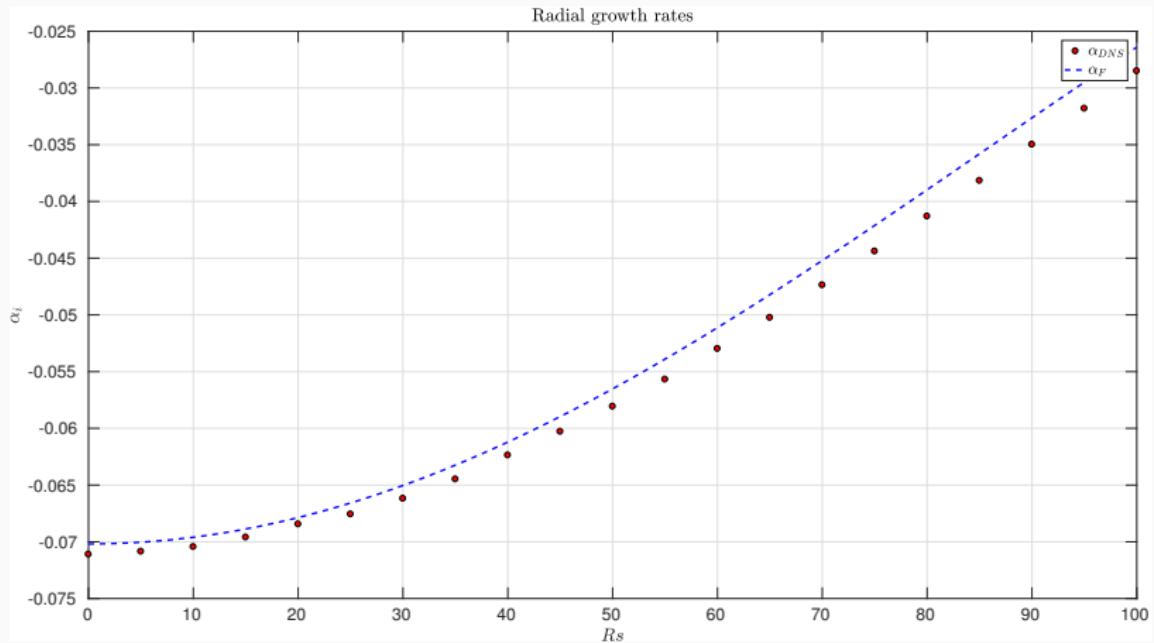
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Thank You

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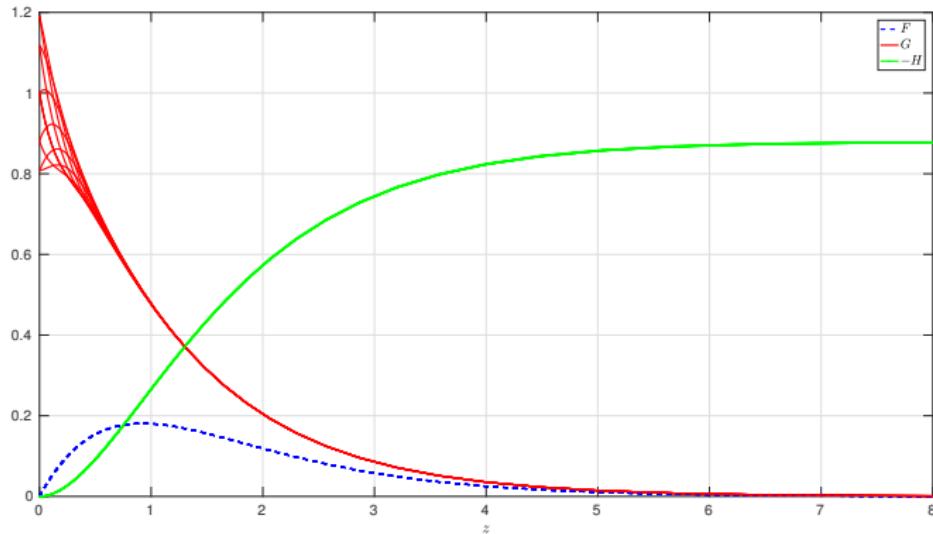
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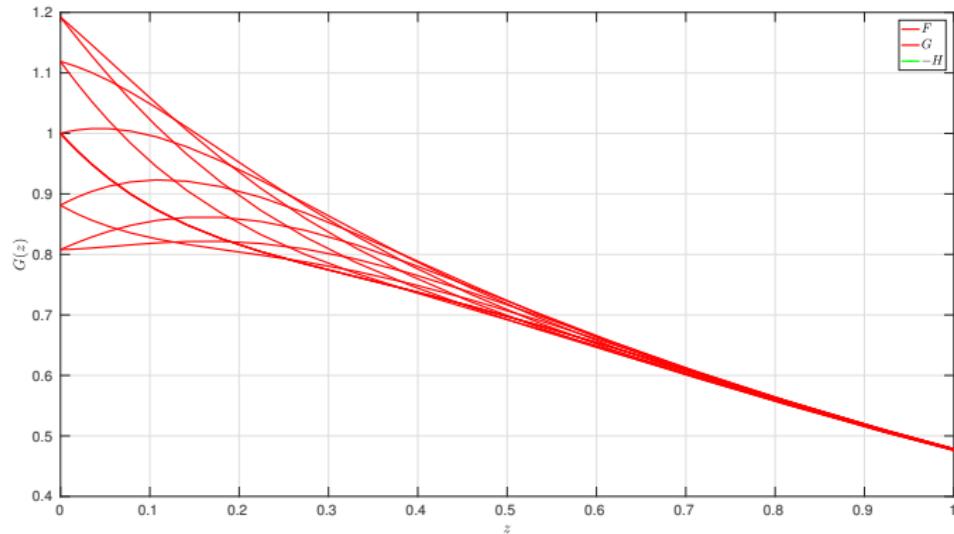
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Base flow variation for $Rs = 10$, $\varphi = 50$

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Azimuthal variation near wall for $Rs = 10$, $\varphi = 50$

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$$\tilde{z} = \frac{z}{\delta_s}, \quad \tilde{\tau} = \frac{\varphi}{R} \tau$$

Connections with the Stokes Layer

- Near the wall we have

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{1}{\delta^2}\right) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \tilde{\tau}} &= \left(\frac{1}{\delta^2}\right) F'' + \mathcal{O}(\delta^{-1}) \\ \left(\frac{1}{R\delta^2}\right) \frac{\partial G}{\partial \tilde{\tau}} &= \left(\frac{1}{\delta^2}\right) G'' + \mathcal{O}(\delta^{-1})\end{aligned}$$

$$H \sim \delta F$$

with

$$F(0, \tilde{\tau}) = H(0, \tilde{\tau}) = 0, \quad G(0, \tilde{\tau}) = \cos(\tilde{\tau})$$

$$F \rightarrow 0 \quad G \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad \tilde{z} \rightarrow \infty$$

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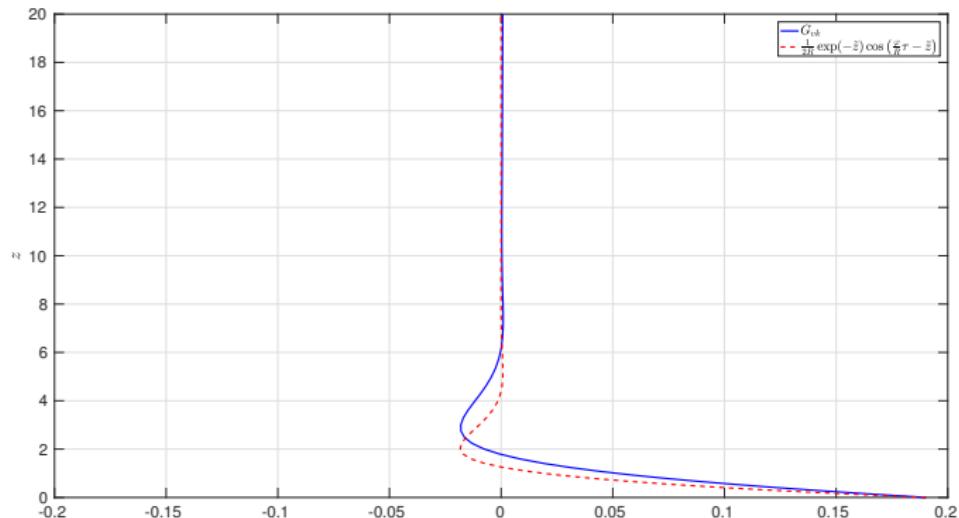
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- Which gives Stokes layer:

$$F = 0$$

$$G = \frac{1}{R} \exp(-\tilde{z}) \cos(\tilde{\tau} - \tilde{z})$$

Connections with the Stokes Layer



Comparison between Stokes layer profile and base flow variation

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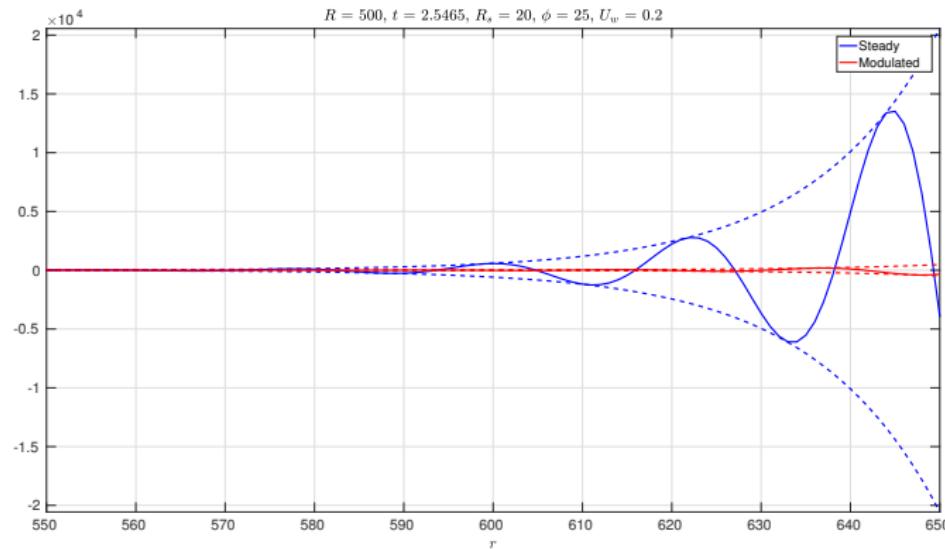
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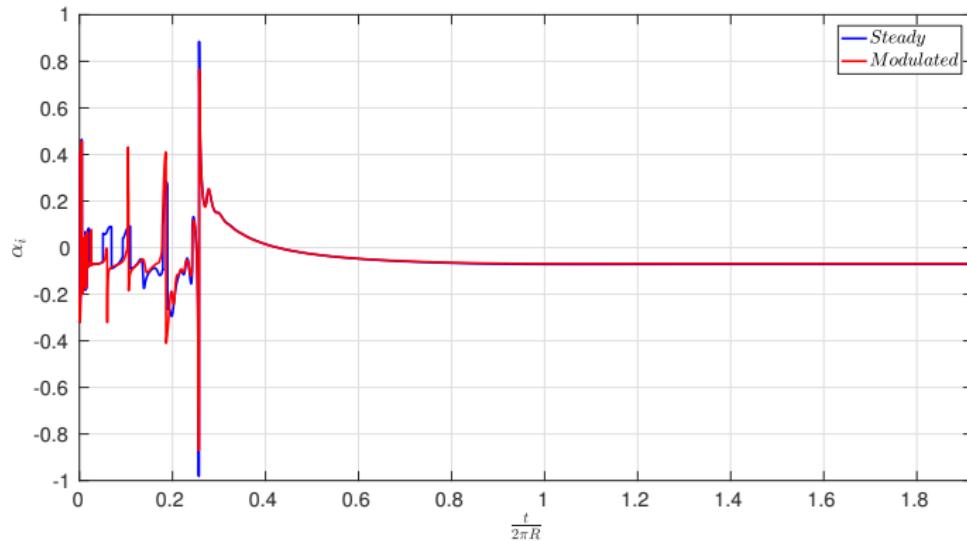


Radial evolution: $R = 500$, $n = 32$, $Rs = 20$, $\varphi = 25$

- Receptivity issues.

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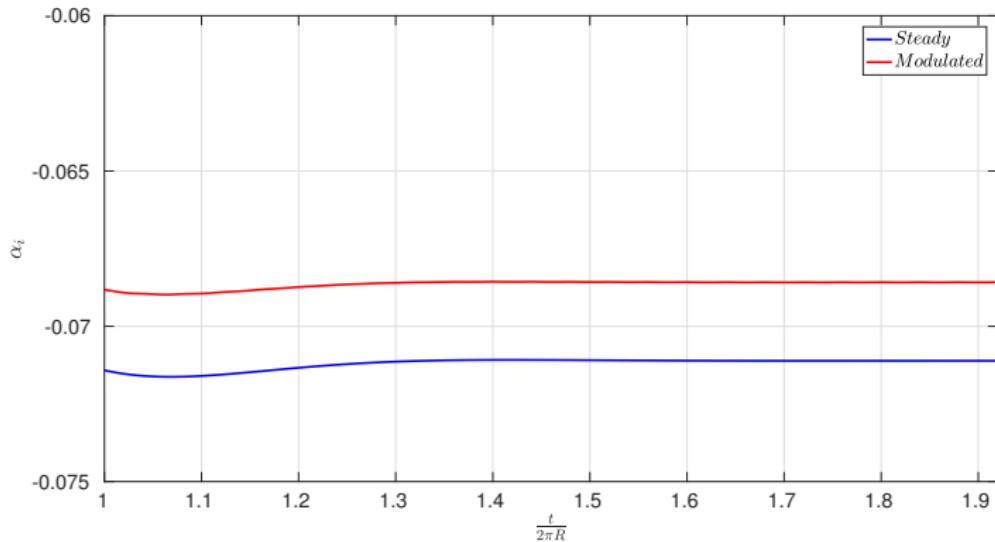
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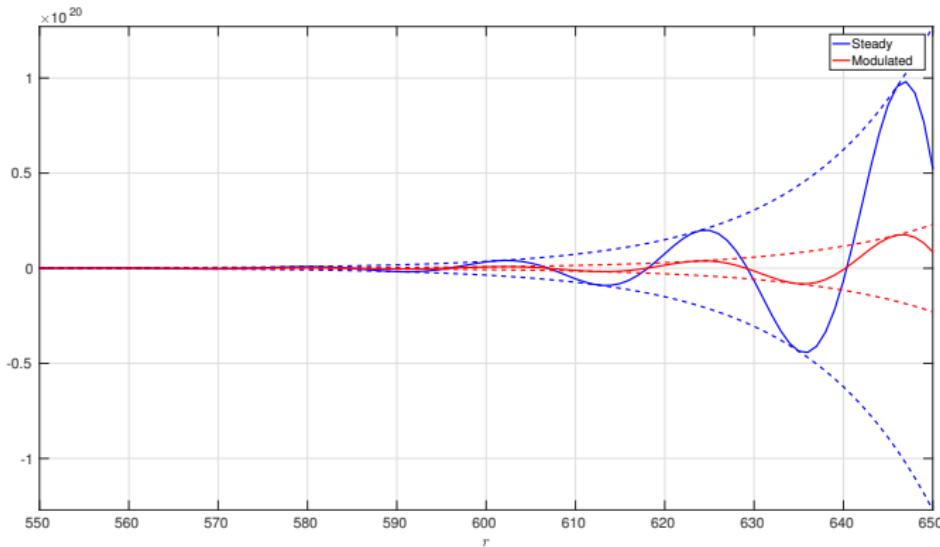
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- Exponential growth reconstructed from $e^{i\alpha r}$



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DNS - Results

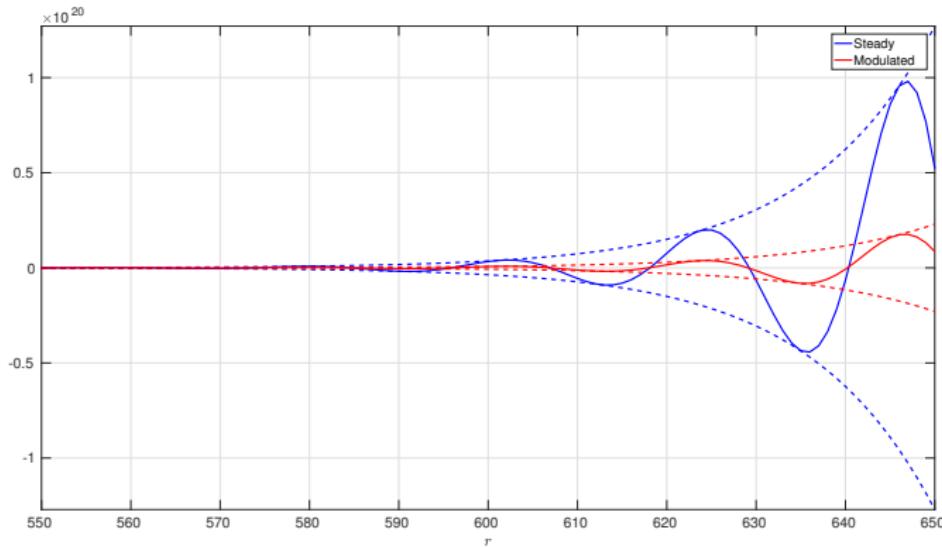
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10	$\varphi = 25$	0.2820 - 0.0701i
	$\varphi = 50$	0.2820 - 0.0709i
20	$\varphi = 25$	0.2821 - 0.0686i
	$\varphi = 50$	0.2817 - 0.0702i

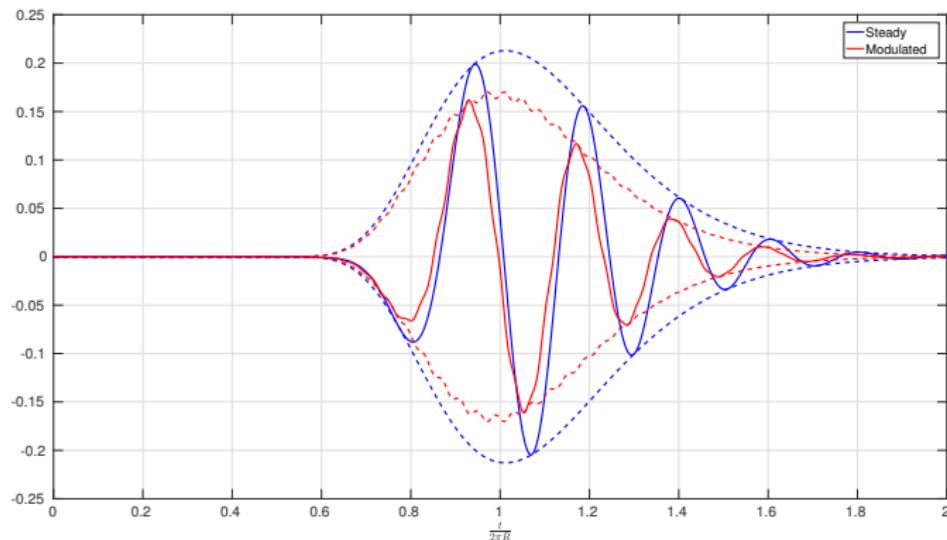
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DNS - Impulsive Forcing

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Temporal evolution: $R = 350$, $n = 32$, $Rs = 20$, $\varphi = 25$