

1D Fast oscillations (Analytical)

Multiple scale analysis

Fast oscillations 1D

We say that the oscillations of $C(t)$ are **slow**, if the time scale τ_C associated with the time variation of $C(t)$ (that, as $C(t)$ is periodic, can be identified as its **period** T) is **SMALL** compared to the **intrinsic time-scale** of the system τ_{linear} (see [here](#)).

So we can define a **small parameter** ϵ as:

$$\epsilon = \frac{\tau_C}{\tau_{linear}}$$

Idea

Then, assuming that $\tau_{linear} \sim 1$ (that means $\epsilon \sim \tau_C$), it is natural to make a [Multiple scales expansion](#) by introducing the new time-variables

$$t_0 = t, t_{-1} = \epsilon^{-1}t$$

where the dependence of $m(x,t)$ on t_0 will capture processes occurring at the intrinsic time-scale, and t_{-1} the ones occurring at the time-scale of $C(t)$'s oscillations.

This means that

$$\partial_t = \partial_{t_0} + \epsilon^{-1}\partial_{t_{-1}}$$

where

$$C(t) = \tilde{C}(t_{-1}) \implies \partial_{t_0}\tilde{C}(t_{-1}) = 0$$

From the relation above and the **ansatz**

$$m(x,t) = m_0(x,t) + \epsilon m_1(x,t) + O(\epsilon^2)$$

It follows that

$$m_0(x,t) = \sqrt{\bar{C}} \tanh(x\sqrt{\frac{\bar{C}}{2}})$$

But we could not find an equation for the first order correction $\epsilon m_1(x,t)$

Kink dynamics

Kink dynamics (Fast oscillations)

In [Kink dynamics \(Constant C\)](#) we obtained, for constant C

$$\dot{d}(t) \simeq -24\sqrt{2}C^{\frac{1}{2}}e^{-2^{\frac{1}{2}}C^{\frac{1}{2}}d}$$

If, instead, $C(t)$ is oscillating

$$C(t) = \bar{C} + A \sin\left(\frac{2\pi t}{T}\right)$$

and the period is **small** compared to the timescale of the system

$$T \ll \tau_{linear} \sim \bar{C}^{-1}$$

then the system **has not enough time to adapt** to the variations of C.

The profile of an isolated kink, to leading order, does **NOT change in time** and it is

$$u_k(x) = \bar{C}^{1/2} \tanh(2^{-1/2}\bar{C}^{1/2}x)$$

This is the profile of an isolated kink if C is constant and equal to \bar{C} , and as the interaction between kinks is determined by the kink's shape (particularly the shape of their tails), we expect

$$\dot{d}(t) \simeq -24\sqrt{2}\bar{C}^{\frac{1}{2}}e^{-2^{\frac{1}{2}}\bar{C}^{\frac{1}{2}}d}$$

that is the law valid for constant C, but $C \rightarrow \bar{C}$.