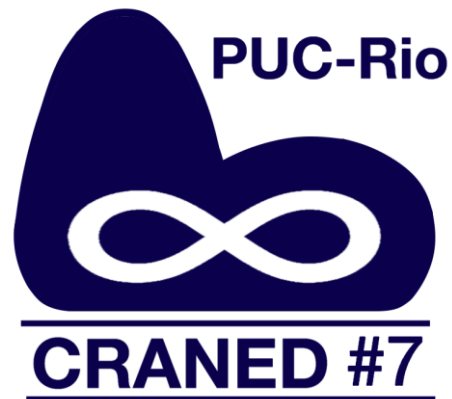


A propagating terrace of two traveling waves in a toy model of Incompressible Porous Medium (IPM) eq



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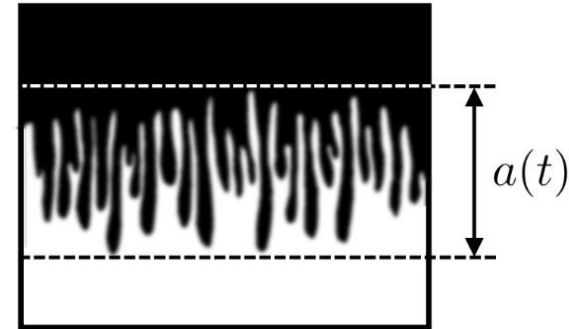
1. *"Propagating terrace in a two-tubes model of gravitational fingering"* 2024
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3. *"Velocity of viscous fingers in miscible displacement: Comparison with analytical models"* 2022
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Outline

1. Motivation

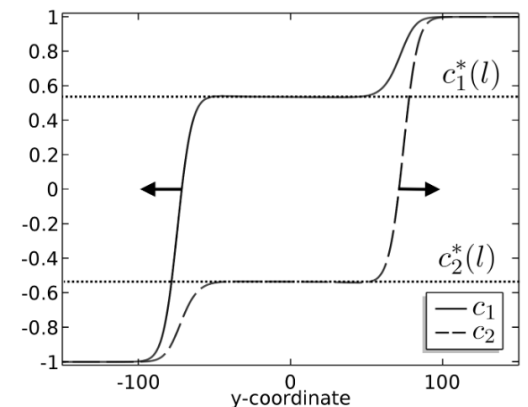
Miscible displacement in porous media

- viscous fingering
- gravitational fingering



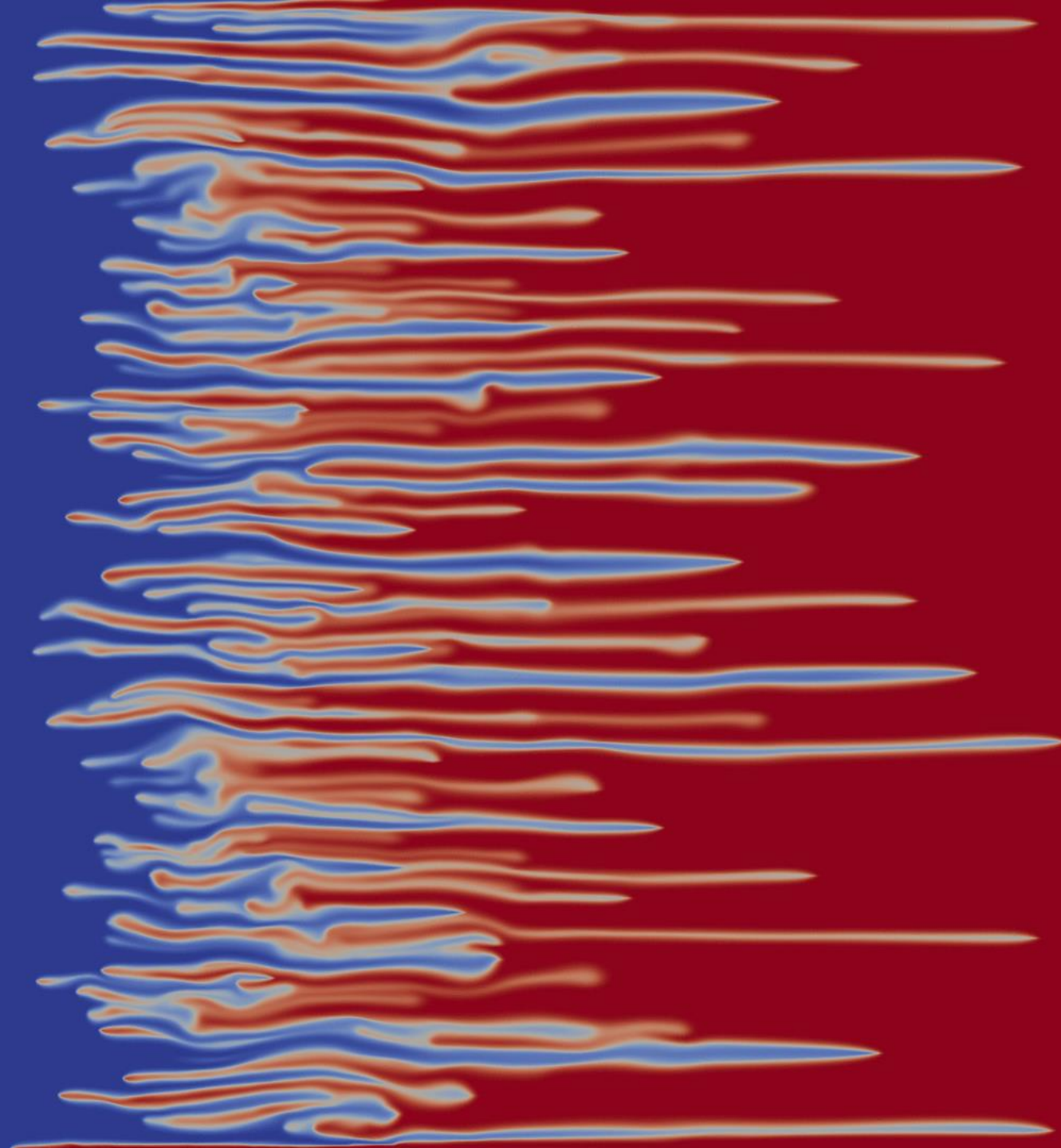
2. Problem statement

- Two-tubes model
- Main theorem
- Sketch of proof:
 - traveling waves
 - slow-fast systems



"Miscible displacement in porous media"
Credit: Pavlov Dmitrii, St. Petersburg State University

Homsy , 1987 "Viscous Fingering in Porous Media"



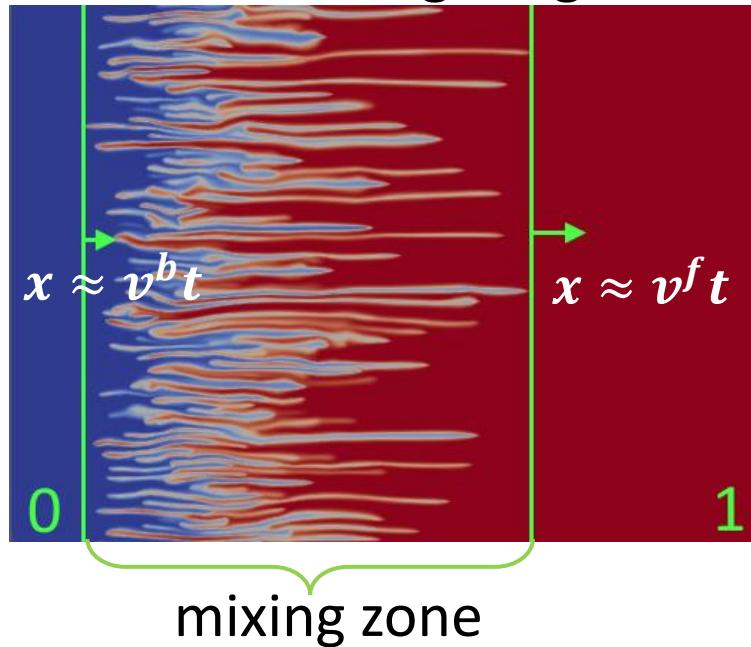
Viscous fingering phenomenon

water (blue color)

polymerized water (red color) 1

Incompressible Porous Medium eq – IPM, 2D (Two formulations)

Viscous fingering



$$c_t + \operatorname{div}(uc) = \varepsilon \cdot \Delta c$$

$$\operatorname{div}(u) = 0$$

(viscosity)

$$u = -m(c) K \nabla p$$

(gravity)

$$u = -\nabla p - (0, c)$$

$c = c(t, x, y)$ – concentration

$u = u(t, x, y)$ – velocity

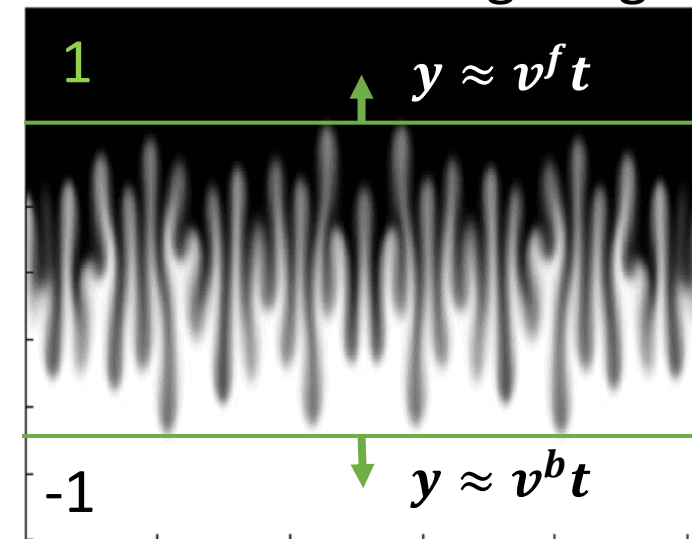
$p = p(t, x, y)$ – pressure

$\varepsilon \geq 0$ – diffusion

$m(c)$ – mobility

K – permeability

Gravitational fingering

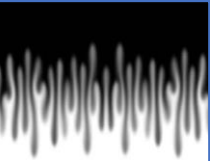


- many laboratory and numerical experiments show *linear growth of the mixing zone* ^{[1], [2]}

Question: how to find speeds v^b and v^f of propagation?

[1] Nijjer J., Hewitt D., and Neufeld J. The dynamics of miscible viscous fingering from onset to shutdown. *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, 2018.

[2] Bakharev, F., Enin, A., Groman, A., Kalyuzhnyuk, A., Matveenko, S., **Petrova, Y.**, Starkov, I. and Tikhomirov, S., Velocity of viscous fingers in miscible displacement: Comparison with analytical models. *Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics*, 2022.



IPM: $\varepsilon = 0$ (without diffusion)

Active scalar:

$$\begin{aligned} c_t + u \cdot \nabla c &= 0 \\ u &= A(c) \end{aligned}$$

$$u = \nabla^\perp (-\Delta)^{-1} \partial_1 c \quad (\text{Biot-Savart law})$$

Discontinuous initial data: free boundary problem (Muskat problem) – ill-posed for unstable stratification

2011 - A. Córdoba, D. Córdoba, F. Gancedo (Annals of Mathematics)

“Interface evolution: the Hele-Shaw and Muskat problems”

Existence: smooth initial data

2007 – D. Cordoba, F. Gancedo, R. Orive (JMP): local well-posedness for initial data H^s

global solution vs finite-time blow-up? open

2017 – T. Elgindi (ARMA): global solution for small perturbations of $c = -y$

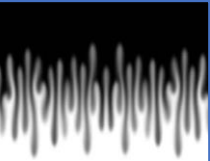
2023 – S. Kiselev, Y. Yao (ARMA): if solutions stay “smooth” for all times, then there is blow-up at $t = +\infty$

Uniqueness: non-uniqueness of weak solutions – by convex integration

2011 – D. Córdoba, D. Faraco, F. Gancedo (ARMA)

2012 – L. Szekelyhidi Jr.

...and many others...



IPM: $\varepsilon > 0$ (with diffusion)

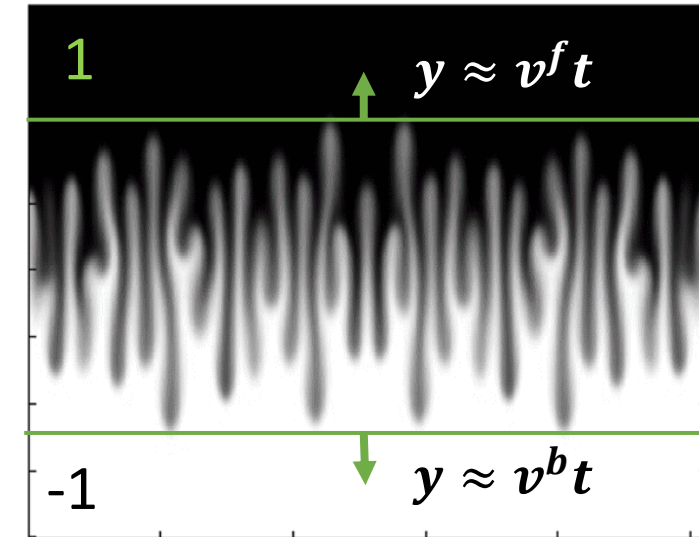
Estimates on the growth:

2005 – F. Otto, G. Menon. Proved estimates

- Full model (IPM) $v^f \leq 2$
- Simplified model (TFE) $v^f \leq 1$

Transverse Flow Equilibrium = TFE
 $p(t, x, y) \approx p(t, y)$

$$\begin{aligned} c_t + u \cdot \nabla c &= \varepsilon \Delta c \\ \operatorname{div}(u) &= 0 \\ u &= (u^1, u^2), \quad u^2 = \bar{c} - c \end{aligned}$$

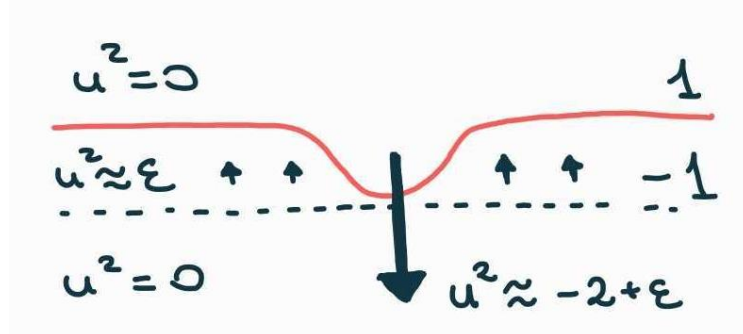


Why fingers appear?

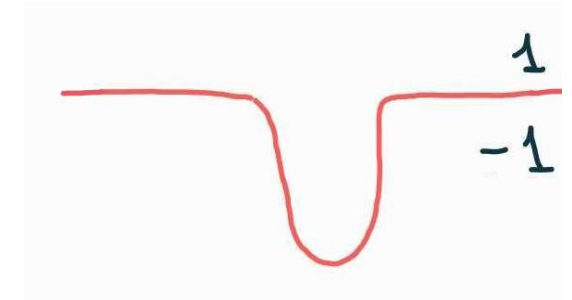
It is a hair-trigger effect!



No flow



Velocity u changes
 due to concentration c



Concentration c changes
 due to velocity u

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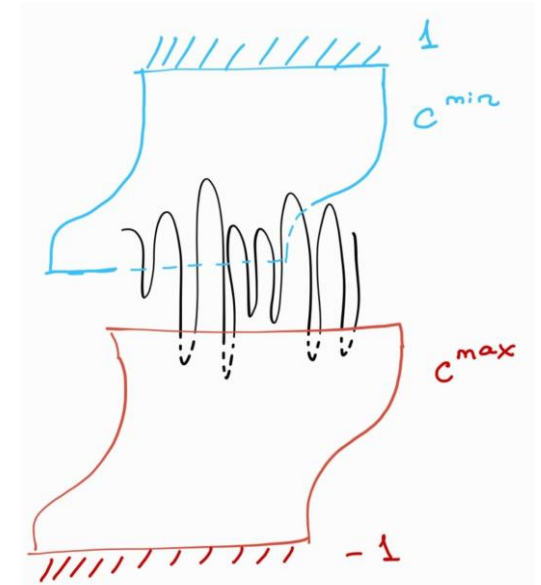
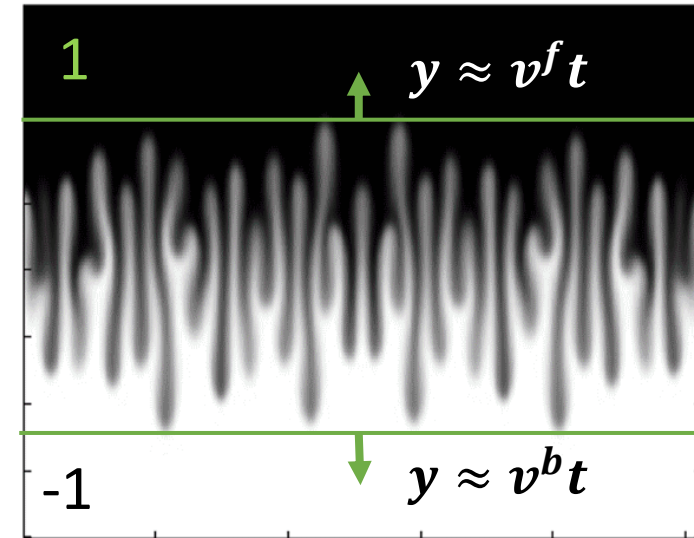
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Idea of proof (TFE): comparison to 1D Burgers eq $(\bar{c} \leq 1 \text{ then } u^2 \leq 1 - c)$

$$c_t^{\max} + (1 - c^{\max}) \cdot \partial_y c^{\max} = \varepsilon c_{yy}^{\max}$$

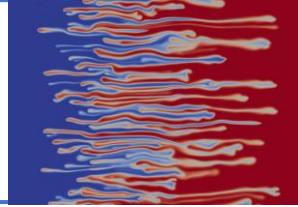
Theorem (Otto, Menon): If $c(0, x, y) \leq c^{\max}(0, y)$,
then $c(t, x, y) \leq c^{\max}(t, y)$ for any $t > 0$.

Question: Are those estimates sharp?



Viscosity-driven fingers

TFE estimates are too pessimistic!



$$\begin{aligned}c_t + \operatorname{div}(uc) &= \varepsilon \cdot \Delta c \\ \operatorname{div}(u) &= 0 \\ u &= -m(c) \nabla p = -1/\mu(c) \nabla p\end{aligned}$$

Ratio of viscosities

$$M = \frac{\mu(1)}{\mu(0)}$$

Empirical models of velocities:

- Koval (1963):

$$v^f = (0.22 \cdot M^{0.25} + 0.78)^4$$

- Todd-Longstaff (1972):

$$v^f = M^{2/3}$$

Transverse Flow Equilibrium = TFE
 $p(t, x, y) \approx p(t, y)$

$$u = (u^1, u^2), \quad u^1 = \frac{m(c)}{\operatorname{avg}(m(c))}$$

TFE estimate:

$$v^f \leq \frac{\int_0^1 m(c)}{m(1)}$$

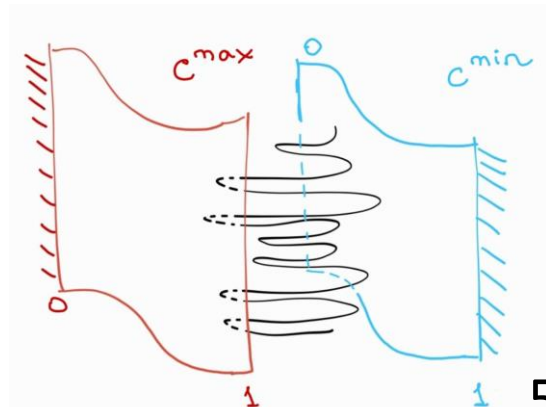
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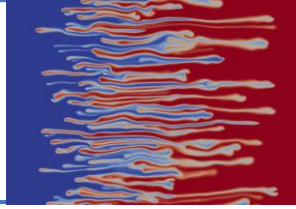
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SLOW-DOWN of fingers... Why? Questions?



Naïve idea:

(1) flow in the transverse direction?

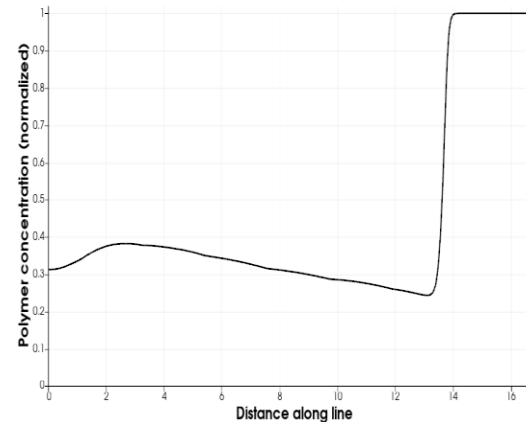
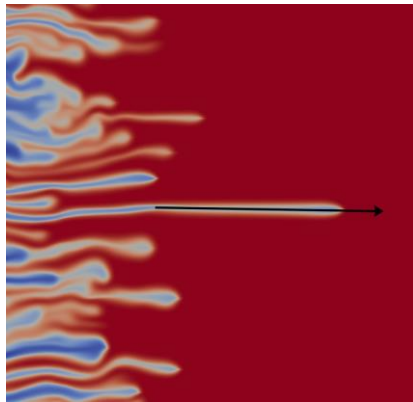
(2) Intermediate concentration?

$$c_t + \operatorname{div}(uc) = \varepsilon \cdot \Delta c$$

$$\operatorname{div}(u) = 0$$

$$u = -m(c) \nabla p = -1/\mu(c) \nabla p$$

A more careful look at simulations.... Intermediate concentration appears!



TFE estimate: $v^f \leq \frac{\int_0^1 m(c)}{m(1)}$

Improved TFE estimate

$$v^{TFE}(C) = \frac{\frac{1}{1-C} \int_C^1 m(c)}{m(1)}$$

$$X^f(t, C) = \max_x \{ \exists y: c(t, x, y) \leq C \}$$

$$X^f(t, C) \sim v^f(C) \cdot t$$

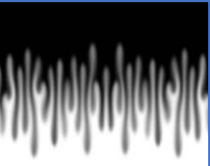
Theorem TFE, viscosity (with many colleagues from St. Petersburg, JCAM, 2024, arXiv:2401.05981)

If there exists $C_1 \in [0, 1]$ and $l_1 \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$X^f(t, C_1) \leq v^{TFE}(C_1) \cdot t + l_1$$

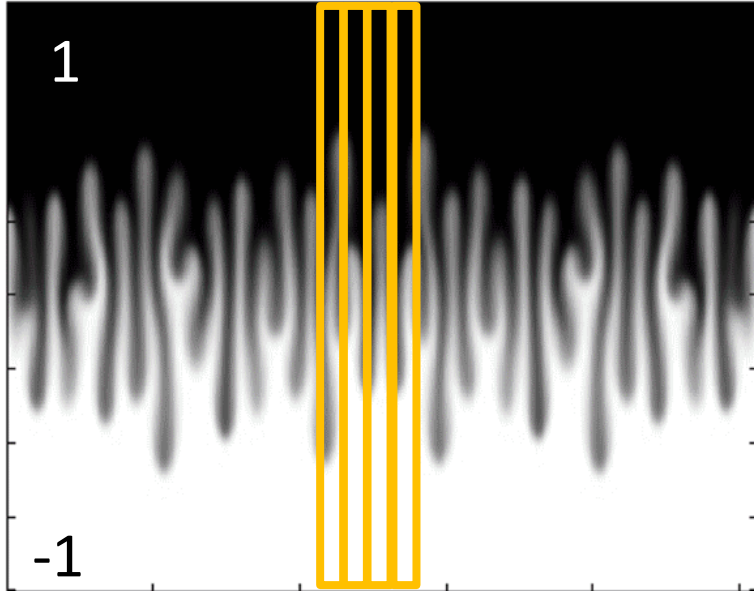
Then for any $C_2 > C_1$ there exists l_2 :

$$X^f(t, C_2) \leq v^{TFE}(C_1) \cdot t + l_2$$



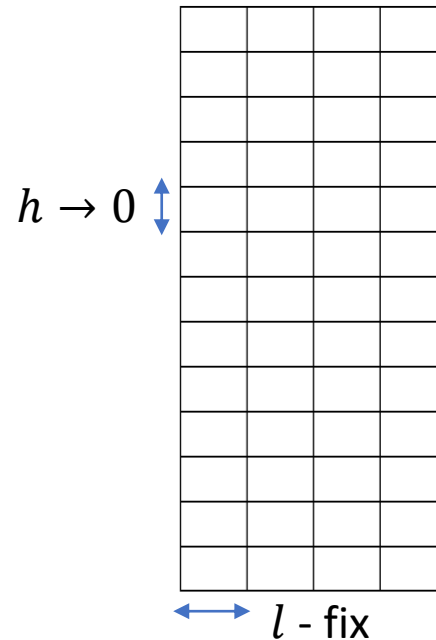
IDEA: semi-discrete model of gravitational fingering

- Discretize in horizontal direction
- Take n tubes, $n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$



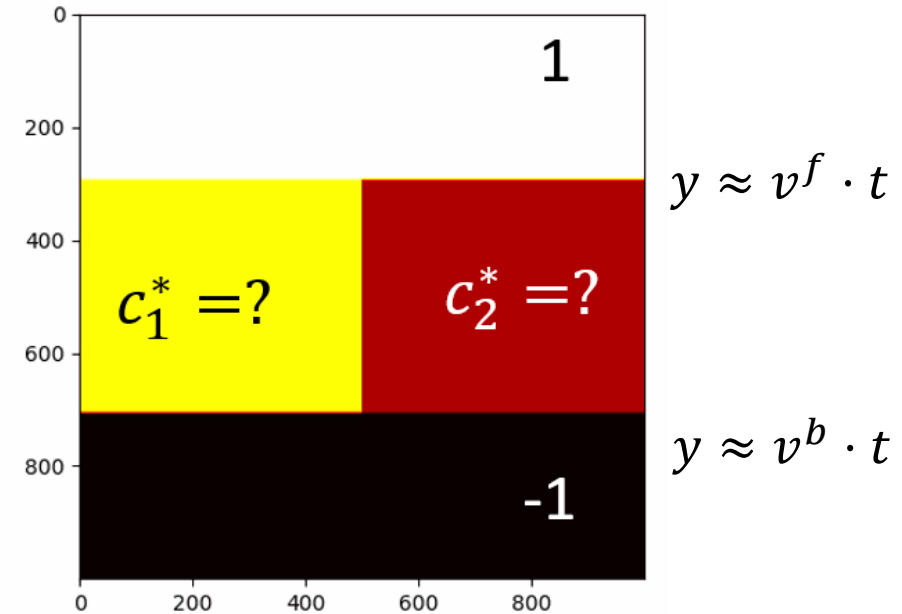
Tubes (layer, lane,...) models:

Limit of
numerical scheme



- Finite volume
- Upwind

- For simplicity, $n = 2$

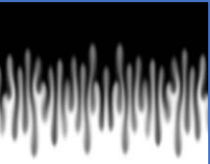


We observe two traveling waves:

$$c(y, t) = c(y - vt)$$

- 2019 — A. Armiti-Juber, C. Rohde “On Darcy- and Brinkman-type models for two-phase flow in asympt. flat domains”
2006 — J.C. Da Mota, S. Schechter “Combustion fronts in a porous medium with two layers”
2019 — H. Holden, N. Risebro “Models for dense multilane vehicular traffic”

Two-tubes model



1. Original equation on c :
Two-tubes equations on c :

$$c_t + \operatorname{div}(uc) - \Delta c = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t c_1 + \partial_y(u_1 c_1) - \partial_{yy} c_1 &= -B \\ \partial_t c_2 + \partial_y(u_2 c_2) - \partial_{yy} c_2 &= +B \end{aligned}$$

2. Original equation on p :
Two-tubes equations on p :

$$u = -\nabla p - (0, c)$$

$$u_1 = -\partial_y p_1 - c_1$$

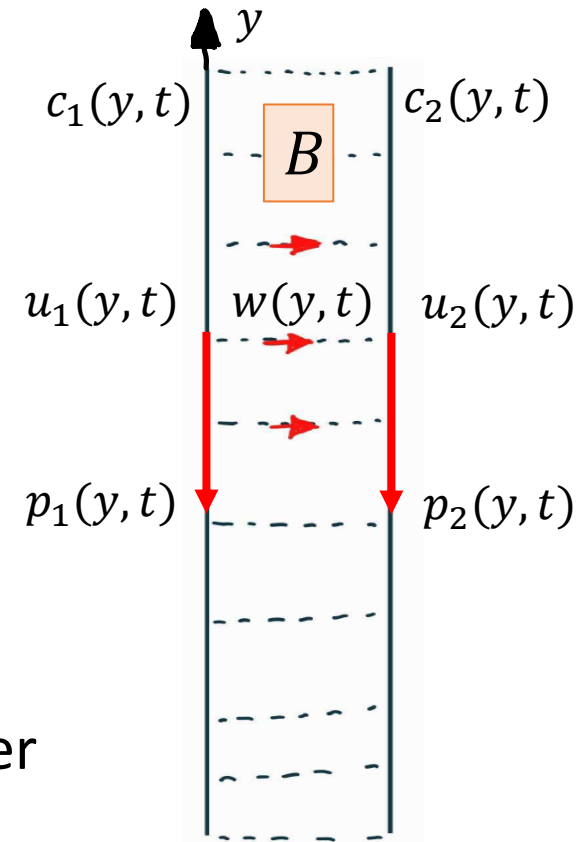
$$u_2 = -\partial_y p_2 - c_2$$

$$w = -\frac{p_2 - p_1}{l}$$

3. Original equation on u :
Two-tubes equations on u :

$$\operatorname{div}(u) = 0$$

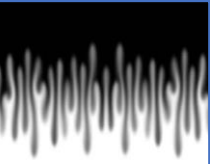
$$\partial_y u_1 + \frac{w}{l} = 0$$



l - parameter

$$B = \begin{cases} \frac{w}{l} \cdot c_1, & w > 0, \\ \frac{w}{l} \cdot c_2, & w < 0 \end{cases}$$

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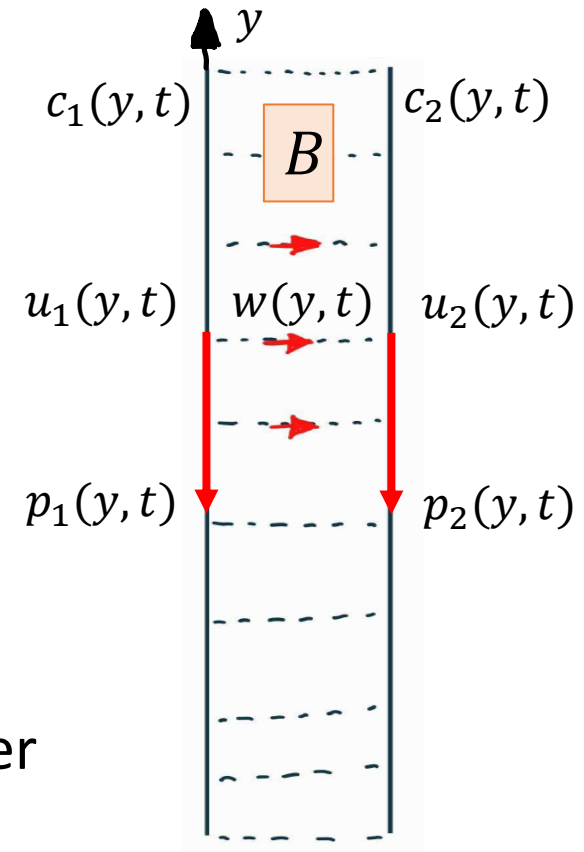
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$$\frac{w}{l} = -\frac{p_2 - p_1}{l^2}$$

3. Original equation on u :
Two-tubes equations on u :

$$\operatorname{div}(u) = 0$$

$$\partial_y u_1 + \frac{w}{l} = 0$$

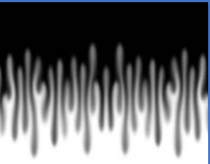


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Main result

Questions?



$$(*) \begin{cases} \partial_t c_1 + \partial_y(u_1 c_1) - \partial_{yy} c_1 = -B \\ \partial_t c_2 + \partial_y(u_2 c_2) - \partial_{yy} c_2 = B \\ u_1 = -\partial_y p_1 - c_1 \\ u_2 = -\partial_y p_2 - c_2 \\ \partial_y u_1 = -\partial_y u_2 = \frac{p_2 - p_1}{l^2} \end{cases}$$

$$B = \begin{cases} -\partial_y u_1 \cdot c_1, & \partial_y u_1 < 0, \\ +\partial_y u_2 \cdot c_2, & \partial_y u_1 > 0 \end{cases}$$

Remark:

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow 0} c_1^*(l) = -0.5 \quad \lim_{l \rightarrow 0} v^b(l) = -0.25$$

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow 0} c_2^*(l) = +0.5 \quad \lim_{l \rightarrow 0} v^f(l) = +0.25$$

Theorem (Efendiev, P., Tikhomirov, 2024, arXiv: 2401.05981)

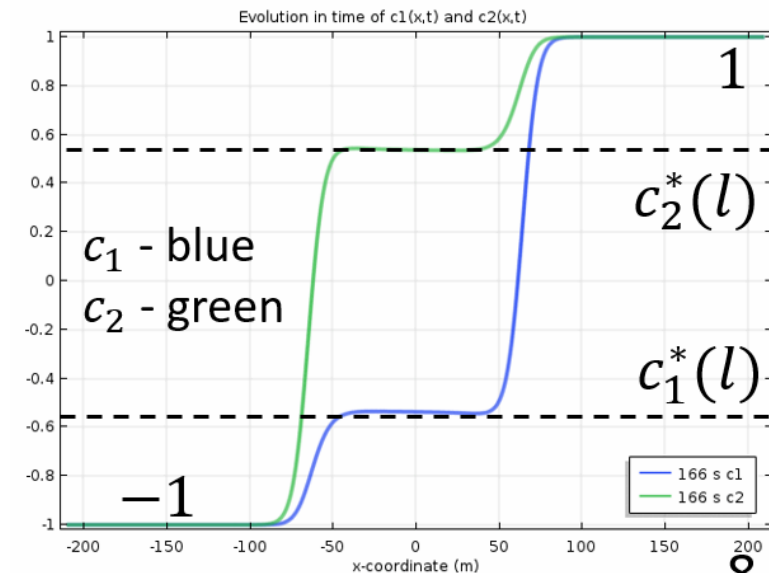
Consider a two-tube model with gravity (*).

Then for all $l > 0$ *sufficiently small* there exists $c_1^*(l), c_2^*(l)$ such that there exist two traveling waves (TW):

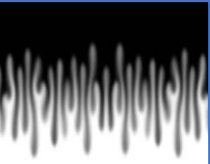
TW1 with speed $v^b(l)$: $(-1, -1) \rightarrow (c_1^*(l), c_2^*(l))$

TW2 with speed $v^f(l)$: $(c_1^*(l), c_2^*(l)) \rightarrow (1, 1)$.

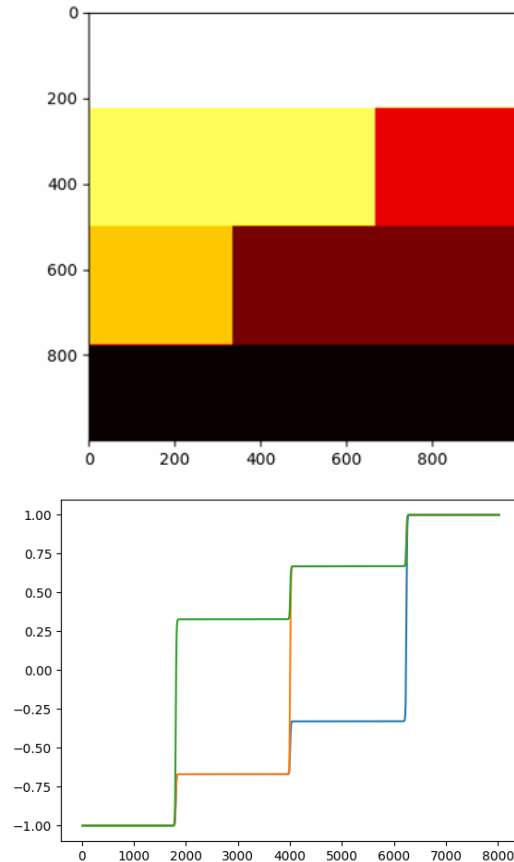
As $t \rightarrow \infty$ we observe:



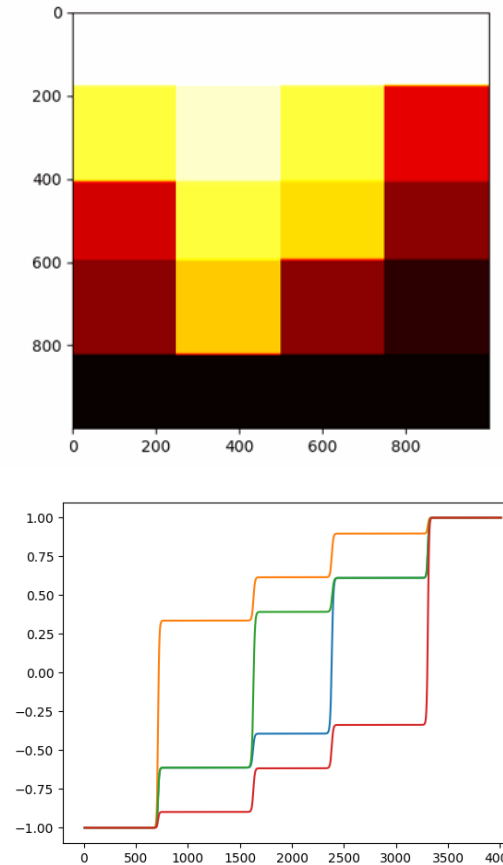
Many tubes: numerics



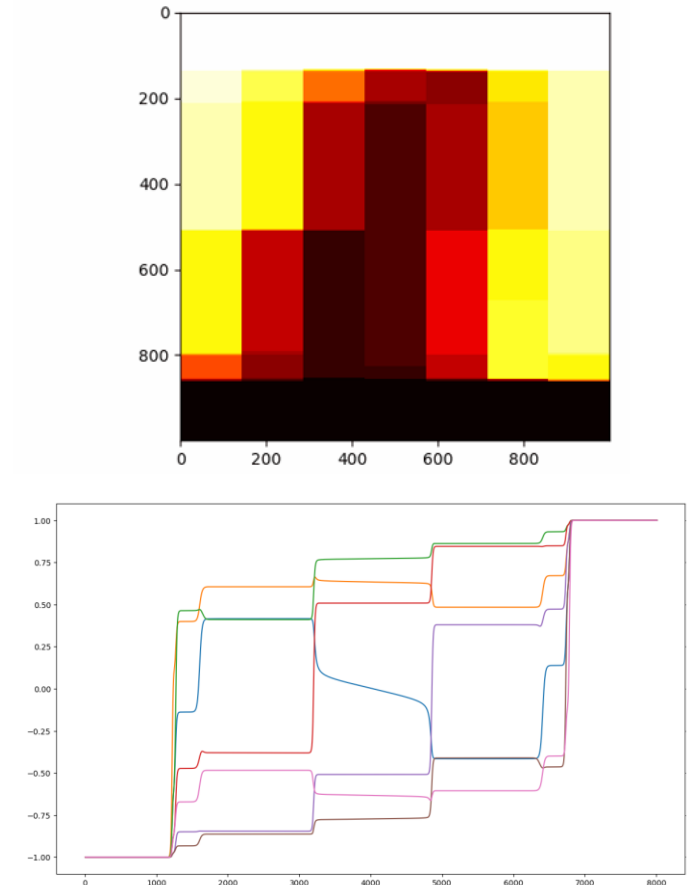
3 tubes



4 tubes



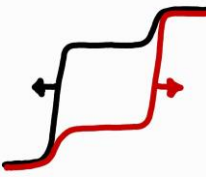
7 tubes



Questions:
(open)

- (1) explain the structure of “asymptotic solutions” for n tubes and study their stability
- (2) find speed of growth of the mixing zone
- (3) understand the behaviour as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Do we approximate 2-dim IPM?
- (4) can we repeat this story for the many tubes viscous fingering model?

Scheme of proof: step 1



Travelling wave (TW) ansatz with fixed v :

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$$u_1(t, y) = u_1(y - vt)$$

$$u_2(t, y) = u_2(y - vt)$$

$$p_1(t, y) = p_1(y - vt)$$

$$p_2(t, y) = p_2(y - vt)$$

With condition at $+\infty$:

$$c_1(+\infty) = 1$$

$$c_2(+\infty) = 1$$

$$u_1(+\infty) = 0$$

$$u_2(+\infty) = 0$$

$$(p_1 - p_2)(+\infty) = 0$$



System of ODEs in \mathbb{R}^6 :

$$\begin{cases} \dot{X} = F_v(X, Y) \\ l \cdot \dot{Y} = AY - BX \end{cases}$$

Here:

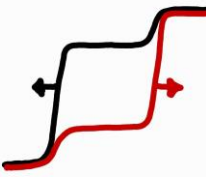
$$\bullet X = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \partial_\xi c_1 \\ \partial_\xi c_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4, \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ p_1 - p_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\bullet A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B \in M^{2 \times 4}, \quad l \ll 1$$

Aim: $\forall v \exists \text{ TW}$

find a heteroclinic orbit $(X(\xi), Y(\xi))$, $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$
such that $(X(+\infty), Y(+\infty)) = \text{given point}$.

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With condition at $+\infty$:

$$c_1(+\infty) = 1$$

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$$(p_1 - p_2)(+\infty) = 0$$

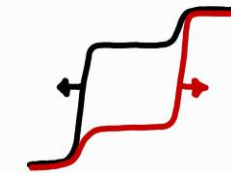
Observation:

for $l \rightarrow 0$ this system has a special ``slow-fast'' structure.

Key tool: **geometric singular perturbation theory (GSPT)**

by Fenichel (JDE, 1979)

Scheme of proof: step 2



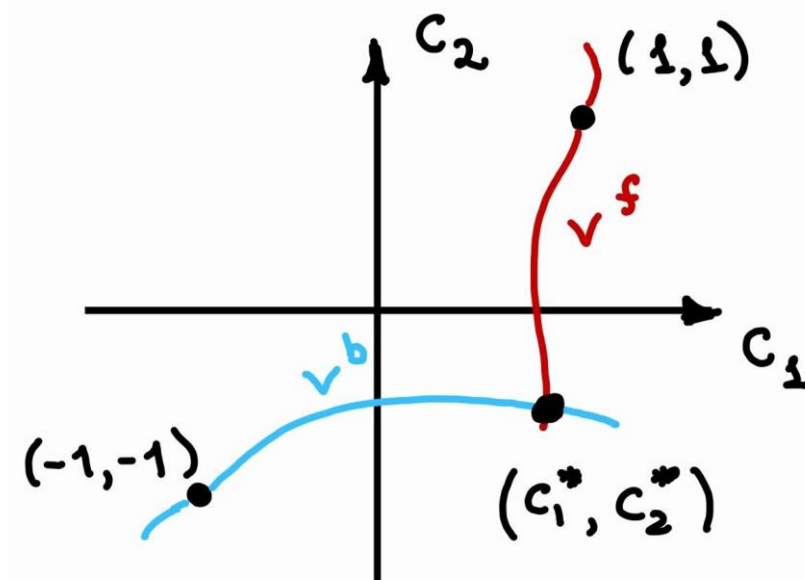
1) For each $v^f \in \mathbb{R}$ we find all points s.t. there exists a TW:

$$(c_1, c_2) \rightarrow (1, 1)$$

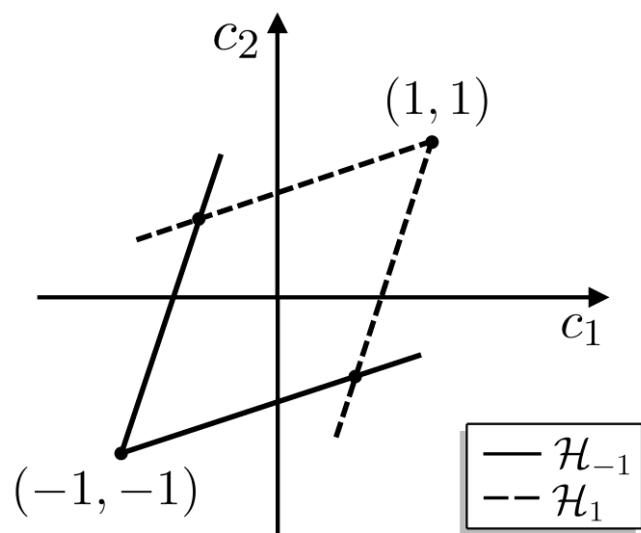
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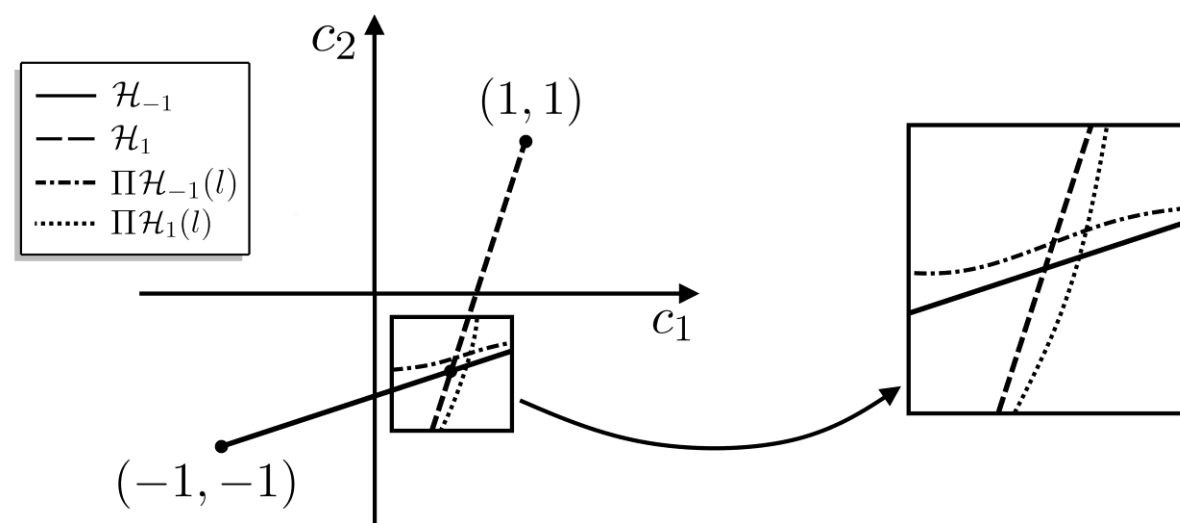
3) Cross fingers 🤞 that these two curves intersect



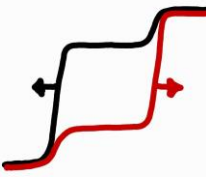
$l = 0$ – these curves are just straight lines



$0 < l \ll 1$ – perturbation argument



But what is a singular limit $l = 0$?



$$(**) \begin{cases} \partial_t c_1 + \partial_y(u_1 c_1) - \partial_{yy} c_1 = -B \\ \partial_t c_2 + \partial_y(u_2 c_2) - \partial_{yy} c_2 = B \\ u_1 = \frac{c_2 + c_1}{2} - c_1 = \bar{c} - c_1 \\ B = \begin{cases} -\partial_y u_1 \cdot c_1, & \partial_y u_1 < 0, \\ +\partial_y u_2 \cdot c_2, & \partial_y u_1 > 0 \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$l = 0$ corresponds to the two-tubes TFE equations (**) !!!

(at closer inspection, no surprise at all)

Question: TFE as a limit of IPM when $\frac{k_y}{k_x} \rightarrow \infty$?
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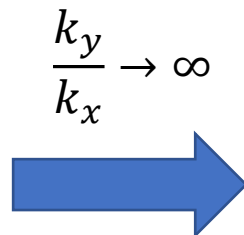
Can we use the connection to prove the linear growth in 2D IPM?

2D IPM model

$$c_t + u \cdot \nabla c = \varepsilon \Delta c$$

$$\operatorname{div} u = 0$$

$$u = - \begin{pmatrix} k_x & 0 \\ 0 & k_y \end{pmatrix} \nabla p - (0, c)$$



2D TFE model

$$c_t + u \cdot \nabla c = \varepsilon \Delta c$$

$$\operatorname{div} u = 0$$

$$u = (u^x, u^y)$$

$$u^y = \bar{c} - c$$

Thanks to my collaborators!



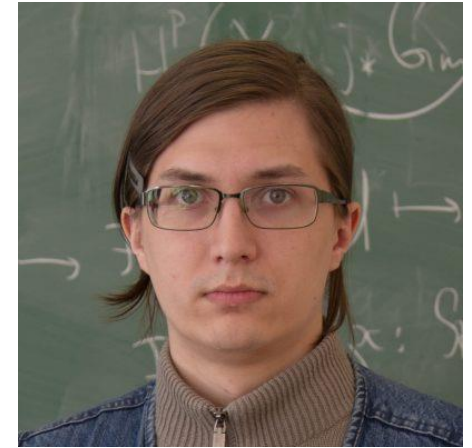
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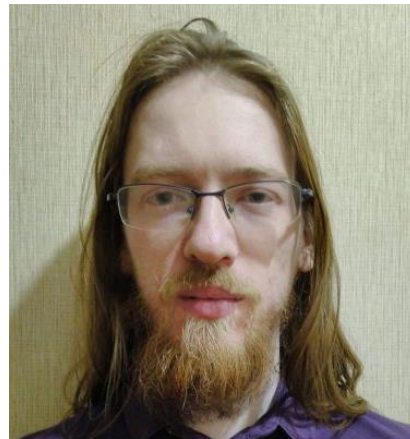
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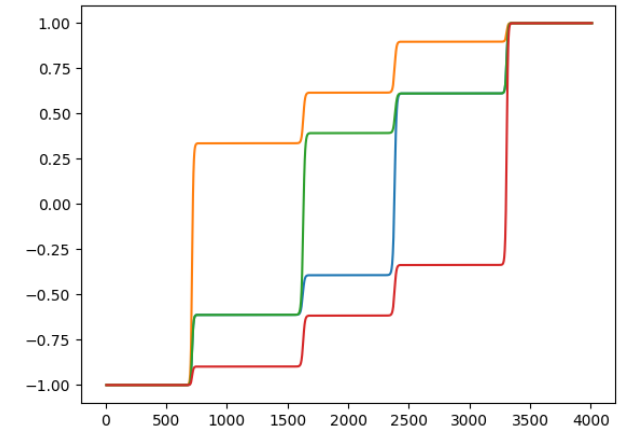
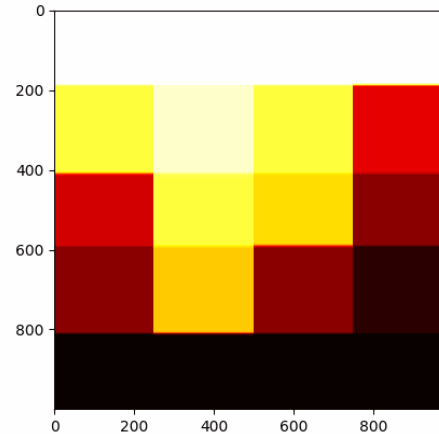
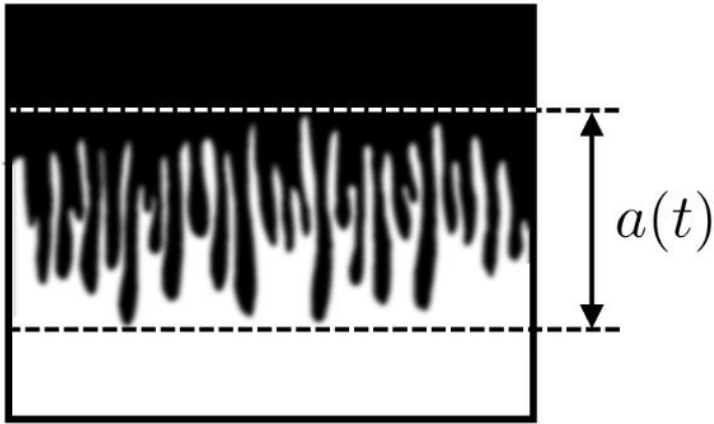


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Any questions, comments and ideas are very welcome!

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