## Enhanced dissipation in fluids models

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Observed in (at least) two models:

- 2D Navier-Stokes equation
- Taylor dispersion in shear flows

Goal of talk:

- Describe the phenomenology
- Analyze mathematically in above models.





# Observed dynamics: 2D Navier-Stokes

2D incompressible Navier-Stokes on the torus with small viscosity:



[Fluid dynamics laboratory, Eindhoven]

- Vorticity evolves from small scale to large scale structures
- Localized vortices persist and organize the dynamics
- Separation of time scales
  - Rapid convergence to localized vortices
  - Slow motion and merger of vortices

## 2D Navier-Stokes: decaying turbulence

Some questions:

- How to characterize the quasi-stationary states? [Y, M, C '03]
- What causes the separation in time scales? [B., Wayne '13]

Determine quasi-stationary states via statistical mechanics:

- Stationary solutions of inviscid Euler equations seem to play a role
- Such states with maximum entropy are good candidates



[Yin, Montgomery, Clercx 2003]

## Quasi-stationary states

Yin, Montgomery, Clercx 2003:

- Euler: formal calculations and numerical analysis determined these states
- Navier-Stokes: dynamic calculations confirmed predictions (u = 1/5000)



Observed dynamics: stochastically forced Navier-Stokes equation

Statistical equilibrium consists of bars and dipoles [Bouchet, Simonnet '09]:

- Square torus: dipole dominates
- Asymmetric (rectangular) torus: bar dominates



Figures produced by Gabriel Lord (Heriot-Watt)

Observed dynamics: Taylor dispersion in a shear flow



- Named after Geoffrey Taylor (1953)
- Drop dye in pipe with background (nonuniform) shear flow
- Dye will be advected at mean background rate, and also spread out due to both the shear profile and diffusion
- If diffusion coefficient is 0 <  $\nu \ll$  1, then effective diffusion will be  $\sim 1/\nu!$

Analysis: 2D Navier-Stokes on the torus

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} = \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - \nabla \rho, \qquad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0, \qquad (x, y) \in \mathbb{T}^2$$

Assume viscosity is small

$$0 < \nu \ll 1$$
, physical range  $= \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$ .

Vorticity formulation:  $\omega = (0,0,1) \cdot (\nabla imes \mathbf{u})$ 

$$\partial_t \omega = \nu \Delta \omega - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \omega, \qquad \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \omega = 0, \qquad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_\nu \Delta^{-1} \omega \\ \partial_x \Delta^{-1} \omega \end{pmatrix}.$$

Decay of energy due to diffusion

$$\frac{d}{dt}\frac{1}{2}\int_{\mathbb{T}^2}\omega^2(x,y)dxdy = -\nu\int_{\mathbb{T}^2}|\nabla\omega(x,y)|^2dxdy \leq -\nu\int_{\mathbb{T}^2}\omega^2(x,y)dxdy$$

is very slow

$$\|\omega(t)\|_{L^2}=\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t}).$$

## Explicit families of metastable states



These solutions:

- Are quasi-stationary if  $0 < \nu \ll 1$ .
- Match observations of [Yin et al 03] and [Bouchet and Simonnet 09].
- Are stationary solutions of the Euler equations when  $\nu = 0$ .
- Should attract (some) nearby solutions faster that  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$ .
- Are part of an infinite family:

$$\omega^{slow}(x, y, t) = e^{-\nu m^2 t} [a_1 \cos(mx) + a_2 \cos(my) + a_3 \sin(mx) + a_4 \sin(my)]$$

## Linearization about a bar state

$$\partial_t \omega = \nu \Delta \omega - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \omega, \qquad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_y \Delta^{-1} \omega \\ \partial_x \Delta^{-1} \omega \end{pmatrix}.$$

Ansatz:  $\omega = \omega^{\textit{bar}} + \textit{v}$ 

$$\partial_t v = \nu \Delta v - e^{-\nu t} [\sin x \partial_y (1 + \Delta^{-1})] v - \mathbf{u}^v \cdot \nabla v.$$

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Role of pieces of operator:

- $\nu\Delta$ : causes diffusive decay  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$
- $e^{-\nu t} \sin x \partial_{\nu} \Delta^{-1}$ : nonlocal, expect higher order
- Approximation similar to passive scalar advection by shear flow:

$$\partial_t v = \nu \Delta v - \sin x \partial_y v$$

Asymptotic of eigenvalues in [Vanneste, Byatt-Smith 07]:  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{
u}t})$ 

Expect  $||v(t)|| = O(e^{-\sqrt{\nu}t}) \ll O(e^{-\nu t})$ . Second term must increase decay!

What causes the fast decay?

$$u_t = Lu$$

Villani, 2009, considers operators of the form

$$L = A^*A + B, \qquad B^* = -B$$

• <u>AB = BA</u>: antisymmetry of B implies  $||e^{Bt}u|| = ||u||$ , and so

$$||e^{Lt}|| = ||e^{A^*At}e^{Bt}|| = ||e^{A^*At}||,$$

so B cannot increase the decay rate of the semigroup.

•  $AB \neq BA$ : rapid decay possible via hypoceorcivity

Define commutator C = [A, B] = AB - BA and a functional

$$\Phi(u) = (u, u) + \alpha(Au, Au) - 2\beta \operatorname{Re}(Au, Cu) + \gamma(Cu, Cu)$$

Careful choice of  $\alpha, \beta$ , and  $\gamma$  can show faster than expected decay.

Back to our problem ...

$$\partial_t v = \nu \Delta v - e^{-\nu t} [\sin x \partial_y (1 + \Delta^{-1})] v =: \mathcal{L}(t) v$$

**Slow modes:** Cannot expect rapid decay on all of  $L^2$ 

$$\begin{split} \lambda v_{slow} &= \partial_t v_{slow} = \mathcal{L}(t) v_{slow}, \qquad \lambda = \mathcal{O}(\nu) \\ v_{slow} &\in \{ e^{-\nu m^2 t + imx}, e^{-\nu t \pm iy} : m \in \mathbb{Z}_0 \}. \end{split}$$

Like an infinite-dimensional eigenspace - need to "project" off it.

#### Intuitively:

- Expect something like a center manifold with slow decay  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$
- and something like a stable manifold with rapid decay  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{
  u}t})$
- Use hypocoercivity to get rapid decay rate in stable manifold.
- But operator is time-dependent.
- Can't use spectral projections to obtain manifolds.

#### Invariant subspaces:

- Can construct them directly by careful inspection.
- Related to movement of energy between Fourier modes.

Rapid decay in "stable" subspace

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Recall: want  $L = A^*A + B$ , with  $B^* = -B$ 

- $A = \partial_x$ ,  $A^* = -\partial_x$ , so that  $\nu \partial_x^2 = -\nu A^* A$
- But the second term is not anti-symmetric! Change variables...

Motivated by Wilkinson's book "The algebraic eigenvalue problem":

$$u := \sqrt{1 + \Delta_l^{-1}} \hat{v}_l$$
 $\widehat{1 + \Delta_l^{-1}} = 1 - rac{1}{k^2 + l^2} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad |l| + |k| > 1$ 

Invertible transformation in our subspace.

## Transformed equation

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$$\partial_t u = \nu \Delta_I u - i l e^{-\nu t} \sin x u := \mathcal{L}_{approx}(t) u.$$

• 
$$A := \partial_{\lambda}$$

• 
$$B := -i l e^{-\nu t} \sin x$$
,  $B^* = -B$ 

- $C := [\partial_x, B] = -ile^{-\nu t} \cos x, \ C^* = -C.$
- [B, C] = 0

## Analysis: 2D Navier-Stokes, Main result

Function space:  $C = C(I) = -ile^{-\nu t} \cos x$ 

$$X = \left\{ u : \hat{u}_0 = 0, \sum_{l \neq 0} [\|\hat{u}_l\|^2 + \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{|l|}} \|\partial_x \hat{u}_l\|^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu} |l^{3/2}} \|C(l) \hat{u}_l\|^2] < \infty \right\}$$

**Theorem** [B., Wayne '13] Pick  $T \in [0, 1/\nu]$ . There exist constants K and M,  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  with respect to  $\nu$ , such that the following holds. If  $\nu$  is sufficiently small, then the solution to  $u_t = \mathcal{L}_{approx}(t)u$  with initial condition  $u^0 \in X$  satisfies

$$||u(t)||_X^2 \leq K e^{-M\sqrt{\nu}t} ||u^0||_X^2$$

for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

Implies rapid decay of solutions:

- Decay  $e^{-M\sqrt{
  u}t}$  much faster than the viscous time scale  $e^{u t}$
- If  $T = 1/\nu$ , then

$$e^{-M\sqrt{
u}\, au}=e^{-rac{M}{\sqrt{
u}}}\ll 1,\qquad e^{-
u\, au}=e^{-1}$$



$$u_t = \nu \Delta u - V(y, z) u_x$$

$$x\in \mathbb{R}, \qquad (y,z)\in \Omega\subset \mathbb{R}^2, \qquad rac{\partial u}{\partial n}|_\Omega=0, \qquad 0<
u\ll 1$$

Remove background advection

$$V(y,z) = A(1 + \chi(y,z)), \qquad A = rac{1}{\mathrm{vol}(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} V(y,z) \mathrm{d}y \mathrm{d}z.$$

Moving coordinate  $(x \rightarrow x + At)$  and rescale

$$X = \nu x, \qquad T = \nu t.$$

$$u_T = \nu^2 u_{XX} + \Delta_{y,z} u - A\chi(y,z) u_X.$$

Fourier series wrt eigenfunctions  $\{\psi_n\}$  of  $\Delta_{y,z}$  with eigenvalues  $\{\mu_n\}$ :

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Similarity variables:  $\xi = X/\sqrt{1+T}$ ,  $\tau = \log(1+T)$ 

$$u_0(X, T) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+T}} w_0(\xi, \tau)$$
  
$$u_n(X, T) = \frac{1}{(1+T)} w_n(\xi, \tau), \qquad n \neq 0.$$

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For large  $\tau$ ,

$$w_n \sim -\frac{A\chi_n}{\mu_n}\partial_{\xi}w_0 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \partial_{\tau}w_0 = \mathcal{L}w_0 + A^2\sum_{m\neq 0}\frac{1}{\mu_m}|\hat{\chi}_m|^2\partial_{\xi}^2w_0.$$

Rapid diffusion:

$$\partial_{\tau} w_0 = \nu_{td} \partial_{\xi}^2 w_0 + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\xi} (\xi w_0), \qquad \nu_{td} = \nu^2 + \underbrace{\mathcal{A}^2 \sum_{\substack{m \neq 0 \\ =: \mathcal{D}_{td}}} \frac{1}{\mu_m} |\hat{\chi}_m|^2}_{=: \mathcal{D}_{td}}$$

Intuitively, we expect:



But this is not quite true!

- Enhanced diffusion affects only low modes (isolated eigenvalues)
- Infinite-dimensional ODE governing low modes has a center manifold
- Convergence to the center manifold is exponentially fast
- High modes (rest of spectrum) decay exponentially due to regular diffusion

$$e^{
u^2 \partial_X^2 t} \sim e^{-
u^2 k^2 t} \sim e^{-t}$$
 if  $k \sim 1/
u$ 

• Taylor dispersion only affects low modes, still physically observable.

$$L^2(m) = \left\{ w \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) : \int_{\mathbb{R}} (1 + X^2)^m |w(X)|^2 \mathrm{d}X < \infty 
ight\}$$

Theorem [B., Chaudhary, Wayne '18] Given any N, if  $u(\cdot, y, z, 0) \in L^2(N+1)$ 

$$u(X, y, z, T) = u_{app}(X, y, z, T) + u_{rem}(X, y, z, T),$$

where

1.  $u_{app}$  is governed by an infinite-dimensional system of ODEs that possesses a globally exponentially attracting center manifold on which the dynamics correspond to enhanced diffusion with viscosity  $\nu_{td}$ . In other words,

$$\left\|u_{\mathrm{app}}(X, y, z, T) - \frac{C}{\sqrt{4\pi\nu_{td}(T+1)}}e^{-\frac{X^2}{4\nu_{td}(T+1)}}\right\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{C}{(1+T)^{3/2}}.$$

2. The remainder term satisfies

$$\|u_{\mathrm{rem}}(X, y, z, T)\|_{L^2} \leq \frac{C}{(1+t)^{\frac{N}{6}+\frac{1}{12}}}.$$

# Ideas in Proof



$$\partial_{\tau} w_0 = \mathcal{L}_{td} w_0 - D_{td} \partial_{\xi}^2 w_0 - A \sum_{m \neq 0} \hat{\chi}_m \partial_{\xi} w_m$$

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Separate into low and high modes using  $\sigma(\mathcal{L}_{td})$ :

$$w_{0}(\xi,\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^{N} \alpha_{k}(\tau)\varphi_{k}^{td}(\xi) + w_{0}^{s}(\xi,\tau)$$
$$w_{n}(\xi,\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^{N} \beta_{k}^{n}(\tau)\varphi_{k}^{td}(\xi) + w_{n}^{s}(\xi,\tau), \qquad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Define  $u_{\rm app}$  and  $u_{\rm rem}$ :

- $u_{app}$  defined via  $\alpha_k \varphi_k^{td}$  and  $\beta_k^n \varphi_k^{td}$
- $u_{\rm rem}$  defined via  $w_0^s$  and  $w_n^s$

# Analysis of $u_{app}$ :

$$w_{0}(\xi,\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^{N} \alpha_{k}(\tau)\varphi_{k}^{td}(\xi) + w_{0}^{s}(\xi,\tau)$$
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Project equations onto low eigenmodes:  $2 \le k \le N$ , n = 1, 2, 3, ...

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\alpha}_{0} &= 0 \\ \dot{\alpha}_{1} &= -\frac{1}{2}\alpha_{1} \\ \dot{\alpha}_{k} &= -\frac{k}{2}\alpha_{k} - D_{td}\alpha_{k-2} - A\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{m}\beta_{k-2}^{m} \\ \dot{\beta}_{0}^{n} &= -e^{\tau}(\mu_{n}\beta_{0}^{n} + A\chi_{n}\alpha_{0}) \\ \dot{\beta}_{1}^{n} &= -\frac{1}{2}\beta_{1}^{n} - e^{\tau}(\mu_{n}\beta_{1}^{n} + A\chi_{n}\alpha_{1}) - e^{\frac{\tau}{2}}A\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{n,m}\beta_{0}^{m} \\ \dot{\beta}_{k}^{n} &= -\frac{k}{2}\beta_{k}^{n} - e^{\tau}(\mu_{n}\beta_{k}^{n} + A\chi_{n}\alpha_{k}) - D_{td}\beta_{k-2}^{n} - e^{\frac{\tau}{2}}A\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{n,m}\beta_{k-1}^{m} \end{aligned}$$

# Analysis of $u_{app}$ :

Diagonalize and make autonomous via  $\sigma = e^{-\tau/2}$ ,  $\tau = \log(1 + T)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} a_{0}^{\prime} &= 0 \\ a_{1}^{\prime} &= -\frac{1}{2}\sigma^{2}a_{1} \\ a_{k}^{\prime} &= \sigma^{2}\left(-\frac{k}{2}a_{k} - A\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{m}b_{k-2}^{m}\right) \\ b_{0}^{n\prime} &= -\mu_{n}b_{0}^{n} \\ b_{1}^{n\prime} &= -\left(\frac{1}{2}\sigma^{2} + \mu_{n}\right)b_{1}^{n} - A\sigma\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{n,m}\left(b_{0}^{m} - \frac{A\chi_{m}}{\mu_{m}}a_{0}\right) \\ b_{k}^{n\prime} &= -\left(\frac{k}{2}\sigma^{2} + \mu_{n}\right)b_{k}^{n} - D_{T}\sigma^{2}\left(b_{k-2}^{n} - \frac{A\chi_{n}}{\mu_{n}}a_{k-2}\right) - \frac{A^{2}\chi_{n}}{\mu_{n}}\sigma^{2}\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{m}b_{k-2}^{m} \\ &-\sigma A\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\chi_{n,m}\left(b_{k-1}^{m} - \frac{A\chi_{m}}{\mu_{m}}a_{k-1}\right) \\ \sigma^{\prime} &= -\frac{1}{2}\sigma^{3}, \end{aligned}$$

# Analysis of $u_{app}$ :

#### Write

$$b_k = \{b_k^n\}_{n=1}^\infty$$

Proposition The above system has an invariant center-stable manifold given by

$$\mathcal{M}_N = \{(b_0, \ldots, b_N) = (0, h_1(a_0, \sigma), \ldots, h_N(a_0, \ldots, a_{N-1}, \sigma))\}.$$

Moreover, there exist constants  $C, \eta_1, \eta_2 > 0$  so that

$$\|(b_0,\ldots,b_N,\gamma)(T)-(0,h_1(a_0,\sigma),\ldots,h_N(a_0,\ldots,a_{N-1},\sigma),0)\|_{(\ell^2)^{N+2}} \leq C e^{-\eta_1 T},$$
while

$$|a_k(T)| \leq rac{C}{(1+T)^{\eta_2}}, \qquad 1 \leq k \leq N_k$$

**Remark**: The functions  $h_k$  can be determined explicitly, as can the rates  $\eta_{1,2}$ . We essentially have

$$\eta_1 \sim \mu_1, \qquad \eta_2 \sim k/6.$$

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Project off lowest eigenmodes to obtain equations for  $w_0^s$ ,  $w_n^s$ . Convert back to (X, T) variables and take the Fourier transform in X to obtain

$$\frac{d}{dT}\hat{U} = \mathcal{B}(\kappa)\hat{U} + \hat{F}(\kappa, T), \qquad \hat{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{u}_0^s(\kappa, T) \\ \{\hat{u}_n^s(\kappa, T)\}_{n=1}^\infty \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\mathcal{B}(\kappa) = -\nu^2 \kappa^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathrm{i} \kappa A \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \chi \cdot \\ \chi & \chi * \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Upsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\Upsilon = \operatorname{diag}(\mu_n), \qquad n = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$$

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Prove rapid decay in T by considering three regions:

- $|\kappa| \leq \kappa_0$ : Spectrum divided into  $\lambda_{td}(\kappa)$  and  $\Sigma(\kappa)$ 
  - $-\lambda_{td}(\kappa)$  only causes  $T^{-N/6}$  decay because of definition of  $\hat{U}$
  - $-\Sigma(\kappa)$  gives decay like  $e^{-\mu_1 T}$ .
- $\kappa_0 \leq |\kappa| \leq C/\nu$ : use hypocoercivity estimate to obtain exponential decay.
- $C/\nu \leq |\kappa|$ : exponential decay via usual diffusive estimate

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u^2 \partial_X^2 t} \sim e^{-
u^2 \kappa^2 t} \sim e^{-t}$$
 if  $\kappa \sim 1/
u$ 

## Summary

Fluids can exhibit enhanced decay due to diffusion.

2D Navier-Stokes on the torus with small viscosity:

- Rapid convergence to bar states  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{\nu}t})$
- Slow diffusive decay to rest state  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$
- Analyzed approximate operator using the theory of hypocoercive operators

Model of shear flow to study Taylor Dispersion:

- Enhanced diffusion affects only low modes
- Intermediate Fourier modes decay exponentially fast via hypocoercivity
- High Fourier modes decay exponentially fast due to usual diffusion
- Evolution of low Fourier modes and Taylor diffusion can be explained using similarity variables and invariant manifolds

Analysis: Towards the stochastic 2D Navier-Stokes equation [B. Cooper, Spiliopoulos]

Vorticity formulation of 2D Navier-Stokes:

$$\partial_t \omega = \nu \Delta \omega - \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \omega, \qquad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_y \Delta^{-1} \omega \\ \partial_x \Delta^{-1} \omega \end{pmatrix}.$$

Above-mentioned results suggest:

- Bar states and Dipoles are important; correspond to low Fourier modes
- Any asymmetry (ie square vs rectangular) in the torus is important
- Transfer of energy between Fourier modes is important

Work on  $(x, y) \in \Omega = [0, 2\pi\delta] \times [0, 2\pi]$  with periodic boundary conditions:

$$\omega(x,y) = \sum_{k\neq 0} \hat{\omega}(k,l) e^{i(kx/\delta+ly)}, \qquad \hat{\omega}(k,l) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2 \delta} \int_{\Omega} \omega(x,y) e^{-i(kx/\delta+ly)} \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y.$$

- Bar states:  $\hat{\omega}(\pm 1,0)$  or  $\hat{\omega}(0,\pm 1)$  nonzero, rest zero
- Dipoles: combination of  $\hat{\omega}(\pm 1,0)$  and  $\hat{\omega}(0,\pm 1)$  nonzero, rest zero

## Analysis: create model problem via Center Manifold Reduction

Formal Center Manifold Reduction:

- Include lowest four modes to capture bars/dipoles
- Include some higher to model energy transfer between low/high modes
- Simplest reasonable model: lowest 8 modes

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathrm{low}: & w_1 = \hat{\omega}(1,0) & w_2 = \hat{\omega}(-1,0) & w_3 = \hat{\omega}(0,1) & w_4 = \hat{\omega}(0,-1) \\ \mathrm{``high''}: & w_5 = \hat{\omega}(1,1) & w_6 = \hat{\omega}(-1,1) & w_7 = \hat{\omega}(1,-1) & w_8 = \hat{\omega}(-1,-1) \end{array}$$

We obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}W = F(W;\nu,\delta) = \mathcal{O}(|W|,|W|^2), \qquad W = (w_1,\ldots,w_8).$$

Note: the construction of this center manifold is local, and possibly holds only in a small,  $O(\nu)$ , neighborhood of  $\omega = 0!$ 

Results for model ODE

$$\frac{d}{dt}W = F(W; \nu, \delta), \qquad W = (w_1, \ldots, w_8).$$

Theorem [B., Cooper, Spiliopoulos '17]

- For all  $\delta$  sufficiently close to one, the high modes decay at the rate  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-t/\nu})$ , while the low modes decay at the rate  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$ .
- On the square torus, when  $\delta=$  1, most initial conditions will evolve to a dipole state.
- On the asymmetric torus, when δ ≠ 1, most initial conditions will evolve to a bar state. It will be an x-bar state if δ > 1, and a y-bar state if δ < 1.</li>

### **Proof Methods:**

- Analysis for  $\delta = 1$  is much easier because many terms drop out.
- Straightforward energy estimates show background decay of  $\mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$
- Detailed estimates on transient timescales show fast decay of high modes.
- Convergence to bar/dipole determined by evolution of

$$R(t) = \frac{|w_1(t)|^2}{|w_3(t)|^2}$$

Future work: add noise to ODE model to study stochastic 2D Navier Stokes

Analysis: create model problem via Center Manifold Reduction

Using the relation  $\hat{\omega}(k,l) = \bar{\hat{\omega}}(-k,-l)$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \dot{w}_{1} &= -\frac{\nu}{\delta^{2}}w_{1} + \frac{1}{\delta(1+\delta^{2})}[w_{3}w_{7} - \bar{w}_{3}w_{5}] + \frac{3\delta^{6}}{2\nu(4+\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})^{2}}w_{1}[|w_{5}|^{2} + |w_{7}|^{2}] \\ \dot{w}_{3} &= -\nu w_{3} + \frac{\delta^{3}}{(1+\delta^{2})}[\bar{w}_{1}w_{5} - w_{1}\bar{w}_{7}] + \frac{3\delta^{6}}{2\nu(1+4\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})^{2}}w_{1}[|w_{5}|^{2} + |w_{7}|^{2}] \\ \dot{w}_{5} &= -\nu \frac{(1+\delta^{2})}{\delta^{2}}w_{5} - \frac{(\delta^{2}-1)}{\delta}w_{1}w_{3} + \frac{9\delta^{5}(\delta^{2}-1)}{4\nu^{2}(4+\delta^{2})(1+4\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})^{2}}w_{1}w_{3}|w_{7}|^{2} \\ &- \frac{(1+3\delta^{2})}{2\nu\delta^{2}(1+4\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})}w_{5}|w_{3}|^{2} - \frac{\delta^{6}(3+\delta^{2})}{2\nu(4+\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})}w_{5}|w_{1}|^{2} \\ \dot{w}_{7} &= -\nu \frac{(1+\delta^{2})}{\delta^{2}}w_{7} + \frac{(\delta^{2}-1)}{\delta}w_{1}\bar{w}_{3} - \frac{9\delta^{5}(\delta^{2}-1)}{4\nu^{2}(4+\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})^{2}}w_{1}\bar{w}_{3}|w_{5}|^{2} \\ &- \frac{(1+3\delta^{2})}{2\nu\delta^{2}(1+4\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})}w_{7}|w_{3}|^{2} - \frac{\delta^{6}(3+\delta^{2})}{2\nu(4+\delta^{2})(1+\delta^{2})}w_{7}|w_{1}|^{2} \end{split}$$

Equation for  $R = |\omega_1|^2/|\omega_3|^2$ :

$$\dot{R}=-2
u\left(rac{1-\delta^2}{\delta^2}
ight)R+$$
 nonlinear stuff

If  $\delta < 1$ ,  $R \rightarrow 0$  and evolution is to a y-bar state.

### Construct invariant subspaces

$$v(x,y) = \sum_{k,l \in \mathbb{Z}, (k,l) \neq (0,0)} \hat{v}(k,l) e^{i(kx+ly)}$$

Goal: don't excite the slow modes

$$\{e^{-\nu m^2 t + imx}, e^{-\nu t \pm iy}\} \Rightarrow (k, l) \in \{(0, \pm 1), (m, 0)\}$$

In Fourier space,  $v_t = \nu \Delta v - e^{-\nu t} \partial_y \sin x (1 + \Delta^{-1}) v$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \hat{v}(k,l) &= -\nu(k^2+l^2)\hat{v}(k,l) \\ &- \frac{l}{2}e^{-\nu t}\left[ \left(1-\frac{1}{(k-1)^2+l^2}\right)\hat{v}(k-1,l) - \left(1-\frac{1}{(k+1)^2+l^2}\right)\hat{v}(k+1,l) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Try  $\mathcal{M}_x = \{ v \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^2) : \hat{v}(m, 0) = 0, \ m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$ 

 $\partial_t \hat{v}(m,0) = -\nu m^2 \hat{v}(m,0)$  invariant

Try:  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{y} = \{ v \in L^{2}(\mathbb{T}^{2}) : \hat{v}(0, \pm 1) = 0 \}$ 

$$\partial_t \hat{v}(0,\pm 1) = -\nu \hat{v}(0,\pm 1) \mp \frac{1}{4} e^{-\nu t} \left[ \hat{v}(-1,\pm 1) - \hat{v}(1,\pm 1) \right]$$
 not invariant

### Construct invariant subspaces

Recall: we don't want to excite the modes  $e^{\pm imx}$  and  $e^{\pm iy}$ 

• x-modes: 
$$\mathcal{M}_x = \{ w \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^2) : \hat{w}(m,0) = 0 \}$$

• y-modes: Formal calculations with Fourier equation lead to...

Define

$$p_j^{\pm} := \hat{w}(2j,\pm 1) + \hat{w}(-2j,\pm 1), \qquad q_j^{\pm} := \hat{w}(2j+1,\pm 1) - \hat{w}(-2j-1,\pm 1)$$

One can show:

$$egin{pmatrix} p^\pm \ q^\pm \end{pmatrix} = A^\pm(t) egin{pmatrix} p^\pm \ q^\pm \end{pmatrix}$$

**Propositon** A solution of  $w_t = \mathcal{L}(t)w$  satisfies  $\hat{w}(0, \pm 1)(t) = 0$  for all  $t \ge 0$  if and only if  $w(0) \in \mathcal{M}_y$ , where

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{Y}} = \{ w \in L^2 : p_j^{\pm} = q_j^{\pm} = 0 \ \forall j \}.$$

Recall: In [YCM '03], only special initial data converge rapidly to bar states.

## Why is this new inner product useful?

Motivated by work of Gallagher, Gallay, and Nier 2009, we rescale time:

$$\partial_t u = (\partial_x^2 - l^2)u + \frac{1}{\nu}Bu$$

Define, for  $(u, u) = \|u\|_{L^2}^2$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$ ,

$$\Phi(t) := (u, u) + \alpha(\partial_x u, \partial_x u) - 2\beta \operatorname{Re}(\partial_x u, Cu) + \gamma(Cu, Cu)$$

If  $\beta^2 < \alpha \gamma/4$ , Young's inequality implies

$$\|u\|^{2} + \frac{\alpha}{2}\|u_{x}\|^{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2}\|Cu\|^{2} < \Phi < \|u\|^{2} + \frac{3\alpha}{2}\|u_{x}\|^{2} + \frac{3\gamma}{2}\|Cu\|^{2}.$$

Therefore, by controlling the dynamics of  $\Phi$ , we can control the above norm.

Strategy:

- Compute  $d\Phi/dt$
- Chose  $\alpha,\beta,\gamma$  to obtain a decay estimate
- Show this implies rapid convergence of solutions to the bar states

$$\partial_t u = (\partial_x^2 - l^2)u + \frac{1}{\nu}Bu$$
$$\Phi(t) := (u, u) + \alpha(\partial_x u, \partial_x u) - 2\beta \operatorname{Re}(\partial_x u, Cu) + \gamma(Cu, Cu)$$

Differentiate:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}\Phi(t) &= [(u_t, u) + (u, u_t)] + \alpha [(\partial_x u_t, \partial_x u) + (\partial_x u, \partial_x u_t)] \\ &- 2\beta \operatorname{Re}[(\partial_x u_t, Cu) + (\partial_x u, Cu_t)] + \gamma [(Cu_t, Cu) + (Cu, Cu_t)] \\ &+ \gamma [(C_t u, Cu) + (Cu, C_t u)]. \end{aligned}$$

The first term gives

$$(u_t, u) + (u, u_t) = ((-l^2 + \partial_x^2 + \frac{1}{\nu}B)u, u) + (u, (-l^2 + \partial_x^2 + \frac{1}{\nu}B)u)$$
  
=  $-2l^2 ||u||^2 - 2||u_x||^2 + \frac{1}{\nu} \underbrace{[(Bu, u) + (u, Bu)]}_{=0}$ 

by the anti-symmetry of B.

$$\partial_t u = (\partial_x^2 - l^2)u + \frac{1}{\nu}Bu$$
  
 $\Phi(t) := (u, u) + \alpha(\partial_x u, \partial_x u) - 2\beta \operatorname{Re}(\partial_x u, Cu) + \gamma(Cu, Cu)$ 

The  $\alpha$  term gives

$$\begin{aligned} (\partial_x u_t, \partial_x u) + (\partial_x u, \partial_x u_t) &= (\partial_x (-l^2 + \partial_x^2 + \frac{1}{\nu}B)u, u_x) \\ &+ (u_x, \partial_x (-l^2 + \partial_x^2 + \frac{1}{\nu}B)u) \\ &= -2l^2 \|u_x\|^2 - 2\|u_{xx}\|^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{\nu} [(\partial_x (Bu), u_x) + (u_x, \partial_x (Bu))] \end{aligned}$$

We can bound

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ (\partial_x (Bu), u_x) + (u_x, \partial_x (Bu)) \right] &= (Bu_x, u_x) + \overbrace{(\overline{\partial_x}, B]}^{=C} u, u_x) \\ &+ (u_x, Bu_x) + (u_x, [\overline{\partial_x}, B]u) \\ &= 2\operatorname{Re}(u_x, Cu) \\ &\leq 2 \|u_x\| \|Cu\|. \end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t u = (\partial_x^2 - l^2)u + \frac{1}{\nu}Bu$$
$$\Phi(t) := (u, u) + \alpha(\partial_x u, \partial_x u) - 2\beta \operatorname{Re}(\partial_x u, Cu) + \gamma(Cu, Cu)$$

The  $\beta$  term gives

$$(\partial_x u_t, Cu) + (\partial_x u, Cu_t) = -2l^2 \operatorname{Re}(\partial_x u, Cu) + [(u_{xxx}, Cu) + (u_x, Cu_{xx})] + \frac{1}{\nu} [(\partial_x (Bu), Cu) + (u_x, C(Bu))]$$

One can show

$$(\partial_x(Bu), Cu) + (u_x, C(Bu)) = ||Cu||^2 + (u_x, [C, B]u) = ||Cu||^2$$

Important term:  $-(2\beta/\nu)\|Cu\|^2$ 

The  $\gamma$  and  $C_t$  terms are similar.

Collecting these estimates, we have shown

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \Phi(t) &\leq -2l^2 \|u\|^2 - [2 + 2\alpha l^2] \|u_x\|^2 - 2\alpha \|u_{xx}\|^2 \\ &+ \left(\frac{2\alpha}{\nu} + 2\beta (2l^2 + 1 + \nu)\right) \|u_x\| \|Cu\| + 4\beta \|u_{xx}\| \|Cu_x\| \\ &- \left((2l^2 + 2)\gamma + \frac{2\beta}{\nu} - 2\gamma\nu\right) \|Cu\|^2 - 2\gamma \|Cu_x\|^2 + 2\gamma \|Bu\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

We now use the fact that  $2ab \leq a^2 + b^2$  and scale the parameters as

$$lpha = \sqrt{
u} lpha_0, \qquad eta = eta_0, \qquad \gamma = rac{1}{\sqrt{
u}} \gamma_0$$

With appropriate conditions on  $\alpha_0, \beta_0, \gamma_0$ , this gives

$$\frac{d}{dt}\Phi(t) \leq -2\|u\|^2 + 2\frac{\gamma_0}{\sqrt{\nu}}\|Bu\|^2 - \frac{1}{4}\|u_x\|^2 - \frac{3\beta_0}{2\nu}\|Cu\|^2$$

**Goal:** Show  $\Phi' \leq -(M/\sqrt{\nu})\Phi$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|^{2} + \frac{\alpha_{0}\sqrt{\nu}}{2}\|u_{x}\|^{2} + \frac{\gamma_{0}}{2\sqrt{\nu}}\|Cu\|^{2} < \Phi < \|u\|^{2} + \frac{3\alpha_{0}\sqrt{\nu}}{2}\|u_{x}\|^{2} + \frac{3\gamma_{0}}{2\sqrt{\nu}}\|Cu\|^{2} \\ \\ \frac{d}{dt}\Phi(t) \leq -2\|u\|^{2} + 2\frac{\gamma_{0}}{\sqrt{\nu}}\|Bu\|^{2} - \frac{1}{4}\|u_{x}\|^{2} - \frac{3\beta_{0}}{2\nu}\|Cu\|^{2} \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition** If |I| > 1, then there exists a constant  $M_0$  such that, for all 0 < t < T,

$$\frac{1}{8} \|u_{\mathsf{x}}\|^{2} + \frac{\beta_{0}}{2\nu} \|Cu\|^{2} \ge \frac{M_{0}|I|\sqrt{\beta_{0}}}{\sqrt{\nu}} \|u\|^{2}$$

**Proof:** Follows like a similar result in [Gallagher, Gallay, & Nier '09]. Essentially due to connection with harmonic oscillator:

$$H = a\partial_{xx} + bx^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (Hu, u)_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \ge \sqrt{ab}(u, u)_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}$$

Need to be careful about the role of |I|. Also,  $M_0 = \mathcal{O}(e^{-\nu t})$ .

This implies (after choosing  $\alpha_0, \beta_0, \gamma_0$ )

$$\Phi'(t) \leq -rac{M}{\sqrt{
u}} \Phi(t)$$