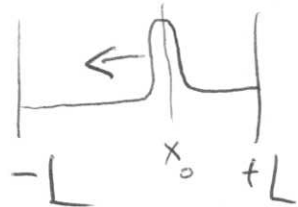


Spine motion

$$(GM) \quad \begin{cases} u_t = \varepsilon^2 u_{xx} - u + \frac{u^2}{V} \\ 0 = v_{xx} - v + \frac{u^2}{\varepsilon} \end{cases} \quad \text{on } [-L, L]$$

• Consider a single spike located at $x_0 \in [-L, L]$

• It will slowly move towards the center.



• Q: What are the eq'n of motion?

Inner region: Let $x = x_0 + \varepsilon y$,
 $u(x) = U(y)$, $v(x) = V(y)$

$$\Rightarrow U_t = U_{yy} - U + \frac{U^2}{V}, \quad V_{yy} + \varepsilon U^2 + o(\varepsilon^2) = 0$$

Ansatz: $x_0 = x_0(\varepsilon^2 t)$; $u(x, t) = U(y)$
 $= U\left(\frac{x - x_0(\varepsilon^2 t)}{\varepsilon}\right)$

Then $-\varepsilon x_0'(\varepsilon^2 t) U_y = U_{yy} - U + \frac{U^2}{V}$

Expand: $U = U_0 + \varepsilon U_1 + \dots$
 $V = V_0 + \varepsilon V_1 + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow U_{0yy} - U_0 + \frac{U_0^2}{V_0} = 0, \quad \begin{cases} V_0(y) = V_0, \text{ const.} \\ U_0 = V_0 w(y), \quad w_{yy} = w - w^2 \end{cases}$$

$$(*) \quad -x_0' U_{0y} = U_{1yy} - U_1 + 2U_1 \frac{U_0}{V_0} - \frac{U_0^2}{V_0^2} U_1$$

Multiply (*) by $U_0 y$ and integrate, $y \in [-\infty, \infty]$

to get:

$$-x_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U_0 y^2 dy = -\frac{1}{V_0^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U_0^2 U_0 y V_{\perp} dy$$

$$= +\frac{1}{3V_0^2} \int U_0^3 V_{\perp} y dy$$

Now $V_{\perp y} = U_0^2 \Rightarrow V_{\perp} = \int_0^y U_0^2 + A$

where A is to be determined.

Outer region:

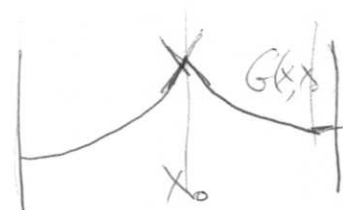
$$\begin{cases} V_{xx} - V = 0, & x \neq x_0 \\ V_x(x_0^+) - V_x(x_0^-) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U_0^2 dy = 0 \end{cases}$$

We obtain: $V = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} U_0^2 dy \right) G(x, x_0)$

where $G(x, x_0)$ satisfies:

$$\begin{cases} G_{xx} - G = 0, & x \neq x_0 \\ G_x(x_0^+, x_0) - G_x(x_0^-, x_0) = -1, & G \\ G_x(\pm L, x_0) = 0, & G \text{ cont at } x=x_0 \end{cases}$$

I.E. $\begin{cases} G_{xx} - G = -\delta(x-x_0) \\ G_x = 0 \text{ at } x = \pm L \end{cases}$



Then G has sol'n:

$$G(x, x_0) = B \begin{cases} \cosh(x-L) \cosh(x_0+L), & x > x_0 \\ \cosh(x_0-L) \cosh(x+L), & x < x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$B \left(\sinh(x_0-L) \cosh(x_0+L) - \sinh(x_0+L) \cosh(x_0-L) \right) = -1$$

$$- \sinh(2L)$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{\sinh(2L)} \quad [\text{indep. of } x_0]$$

Set $x = x_0 + \varepsilon y$. If $x > x_0$ then

$$v = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 G(x + \varepsilon y, x_0)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 G(x_0, x_0) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon y G_x(x_0^+, x_0) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$= V_0 + V_1(y)\varepsilon, \quad y \gg 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} V_0 = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 \right) G(x_0, x_0) \\ V_1 \sim y \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 \right) G_x(x_0^\pm, x_0), \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow \pm\infty \end{cases}$$

So we get:

$$\begin{cases} \left(\int_0^{\infty} u_0^2 \right) + A = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 G_x(x_0^+, x_0) \\ \left(\int_0^{-\infty} u_0^2 \right) + A = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 G_x(x_0^-, x_0) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^2 \right) \frac{G_x(x_0^+, x_0) + G_x(x_0^-, x_0)}{2}$$

Finally,

$$\int u_0^3 V_{\perp y} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0^3 \left(\int_{-\infty}^y u_0^2 + A \right) dy$$

↑ even ↑ odd

$$= A \int u_0^3$$

$$= \frac{(G_x^+ + G_x^-)}{2} \left(\int u_0^2 \right) \left(\int u_0^3 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow -X_0' = \frac{1}{3V_0^2} \frac{\int u_0^2 \int u_0^3}{\int u_{0y}^2} \frac{G_x^+ + G_x^-}{2}; \quad \boxed{u_0 = V_0 \omega(y)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} V_0 \frac{\int \omega^2 \int \omega^3}{\int \omega_y^2} \frac{(G_x^+ + G_x^-)}{2}$$

$$V_0 = \int u_0^2 G_0 = \left(\int \omega^2 \right) V_0^2 G_0$$

$$\Rightarrow V_0 = \frac{1}{\int \omega^2 G_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow X_0' = - \left(\frac{G_x^+ + G_x^-}{2 G_0} \right) \frac{\int \omega^3}{3 \int \omega_y^2}$$

$$\frac{G_x^+ + G_x^-}{2G_0} = \frac{\partial_{x_0} (\cosh(x_0+L) \cosh(x_0-L))}{2 \cosh(x_0+L) \cosh(x_0-L)}$$

$$\cosh(x_0+L) \cosh(x_0-L) = \frac{1}{2} (\cosh(2x_0) + \cosh(2L))$$

$$= \frac{\sinh(2x_0)}{\cosh(2x_0) + \cosh(2L)}$$

and $\frac{\int \omega^3}{3 \int \omega_y^2} = 2$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dx_0}{dt} = -\varepsilon^2 \frac{2 \sinh(2x_0)}{\cosh(2x_0) + \cosh(2L)}} \quad (*)$$

• s.s. at x_0

$$\lambda = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} (\text{RHS}) \Big|_{x_0=0} = \frac{-4\varepsilon^2}{1 + \cosh(2L)} < 0$$

$\Rightarrow x_0 = 0$ is a stable equilibrium!

$\Rightarrow x_0(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$

This shows that the interior spike is stable with respect to ~~the~~ slow translations!

• See "gm-dynamics.pde" [flexPDE script], comparing (*) with full numerics.