

# Water-waves and reversible spatial dynamics

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reproduction of the soliton observed by Scott Russell in 1834

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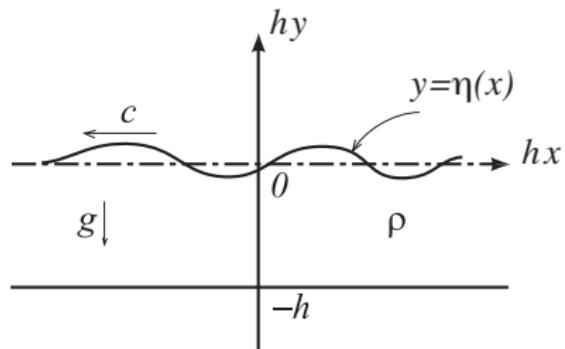
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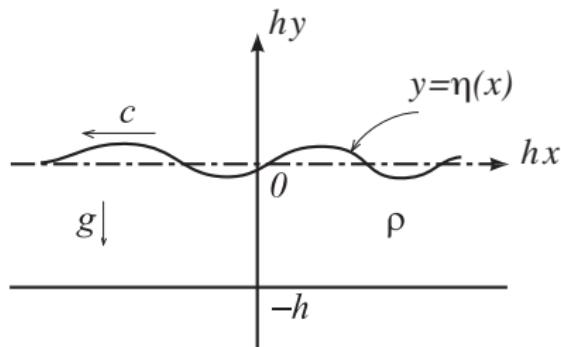
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$$u\eta' - v = 0 \text{ on } y = \eta(x)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(u^2 + v^2) + \lambda\eta - b\eta''(1 + \eta'^2)^{-3/2} = 1/2 \text{ on } y = \eta(x)$$

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Reversibility symmetry  $\mathbf{S} : \mathbf{S} U = (-\alpha_0, -\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $\mathbf{SF}(U, \lambda) = -\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{S} U, \lambda)$

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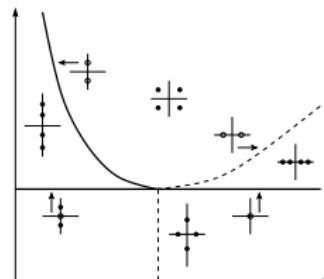
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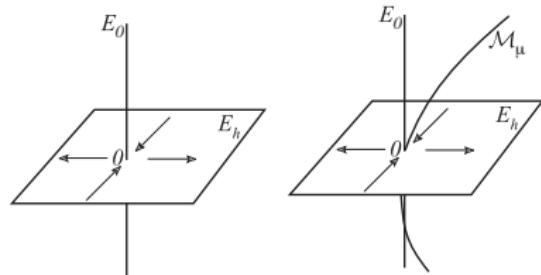
Spectrum of  $\mathbf{L}_{\lambda,b}$ : isolated eigenvalues  $ik$  of finite multiplicities such that  $(\lambda + bk^2) \tanh k - k = 0$ , for  $k \neq 0$ , and 0 only if  $\lambda = 1$



Critical eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{L}_{\lambda,b}$ . Solid lines represent the bifurcation curves, solid and hollow dots represent simple and double eigenvalues, resp.

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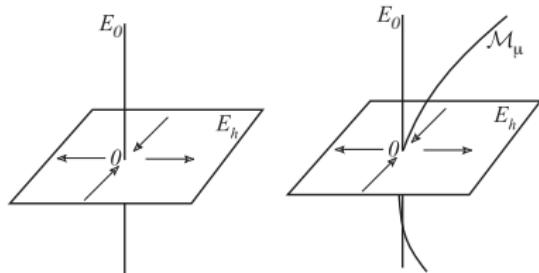
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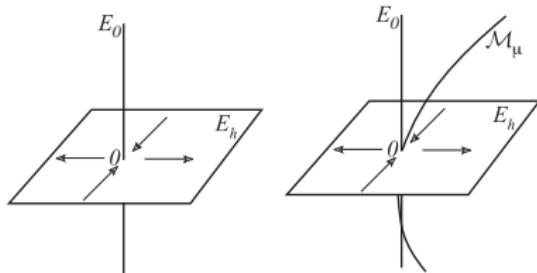
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**Reduced system**  $\frac{dU_0}{d\mu} = \mathbf{L}_0 U_0 + \mathbf{R}_0(U_0, \mu) \in E_0$

**Reversibility symmetry:**  $\mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{S}|_{E_0}$

# Conditions for application of C. M. Thm

$\mathcal{Z} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{Y} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{X}$  Banach spaces

$$\frac{dU}{d\mu} = \mathbf{L}U + \mathbf{R}(U, \mu), \quad \mathbf{L} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{X}),$$

$$\mathbf{R}(\cdot, \cdot) \in \mathcal{C}^k(\mathcal{Z} \times \mathbb{R}^p; \mathcal{Y}) \text{ in neighb. of } 0, \quad \mathbf{R}(0, 0) = 0, \quad D_U \mathbf{R}(0, 0) = 0$$

Hypothesis on the spectrum of  $\mathbf{L}$  :

$$\sigma = \sigma_+ \cup \sigma_0 \cup \sigma_-, \quad \sigma_0 = \{\lambda \in \sigma; \operatorname{Re}\sigma = 0\}$$

$$\sigma_+ = \{\lambda \in \sigma; \operatorname{Re}\sigma > 0\}, \quad \sigma_- = \{\lambda \in \sigma; \operatorname{Re}\sigma < 0\},$$

$$\exists \gamma > 0; \inf_{\lambda \in \sigma_+} (\operatorname{Re}\lambda) > \gamma, \quad \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma_-} (\operatorname{Re}\lambda) < -\gamma$$

$\sigma_0 = \{\text{finite number of eigenvalues with finite multiplicities}\}$

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Simpler assumption when  $\mathcal{Z} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X}$  are Hilbert spaces (Mielke 1988):  
replace the above hypothesis by

$$\|(i\omega\mathbb{I} - \mathbf{L})^{-1}\|_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X})} \leq \frac{c}{|\omega|} \text{ for } \omega \in \mathbb{R} \text{ large enough}$$

Proofs and references may be found in M. Haragus, G. Iooss. Local Bifurcations, center manifolds, and normal forms in infinite-dimensional dynamical systems. Springer UTX 2011

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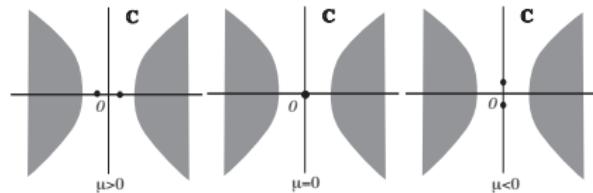
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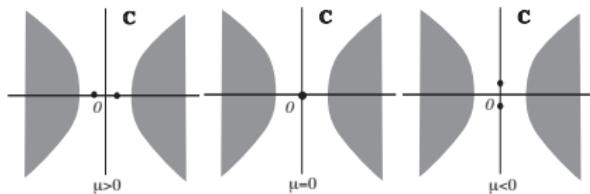
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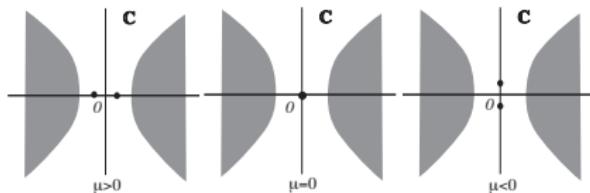


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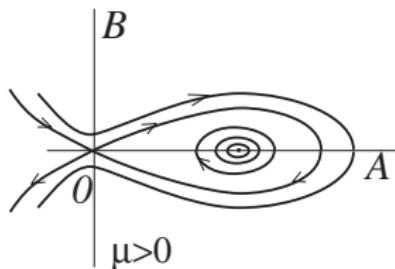
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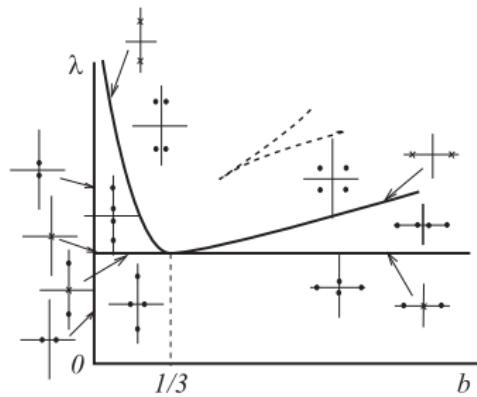
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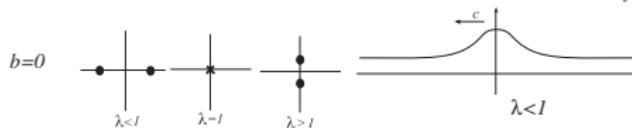


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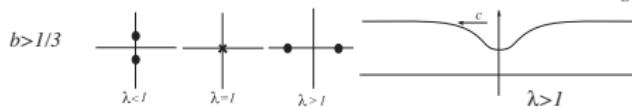
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reversible case  $0^{2+} i\omega$ :

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Truncated normal form at quadratic order (4-dim)  $\mu = \lambda - 1$

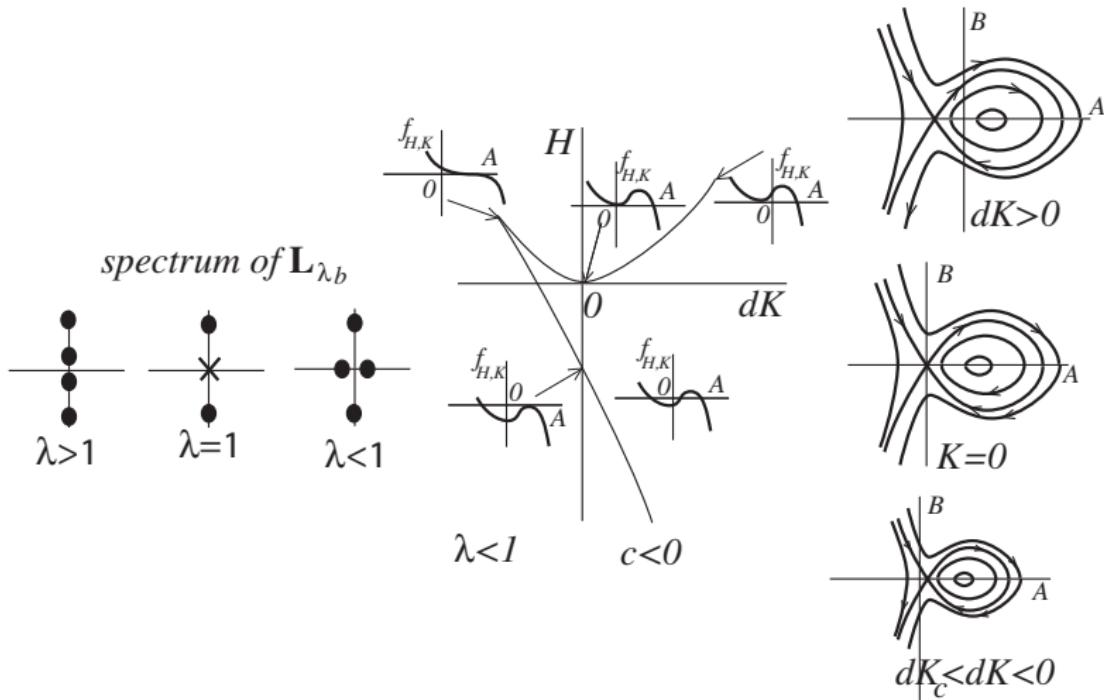
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coefficients  $a, b, c, d, \gamma, \delta$  are real

2 first integrals  $K, H$

$$\begin{aligned}K &= |C|^2, \\ \left(\frac{dA}{d\mu}\right)^2 &= B^2 = f_{H,K}(A) = \frac{2}{3}cA^3 + a\mu A^2 + 2dKA + H\end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda < 1, b < 1/3$$



For proofs on the full system, of no homoclinic to 0, and homocl. to exp. small per. orbits, see E.Lombardi, LNM 1741 (2000)

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3 independent first integrals of  $D^*v = 0$  :

$$v_1 = A\bar{A}, \quad v_2 = i(A\bar{B} - \bar{A}B), \quad v_3 = i\omega \frac{B}{A} + \ln A$$

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$$D^* = -i\omega A\partial_A + (A - i\omega B)\partial_B + i\omega \bar{A}\partial_{\bar{A}} + (\bar{A} + i\omega \bar{B})\partial_{\bar{B}}$$

3 independent first integrals of  $D^*v = 0$  :

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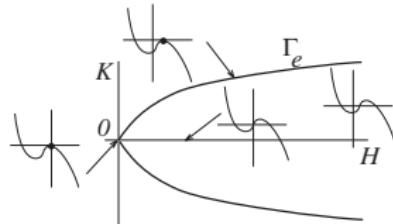
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# diagrams for reversible $i\omega^2$ normal form

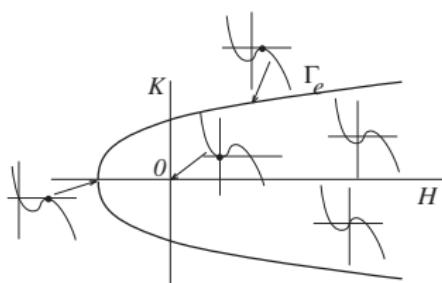
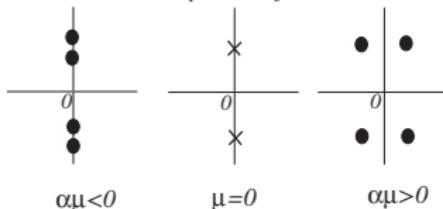
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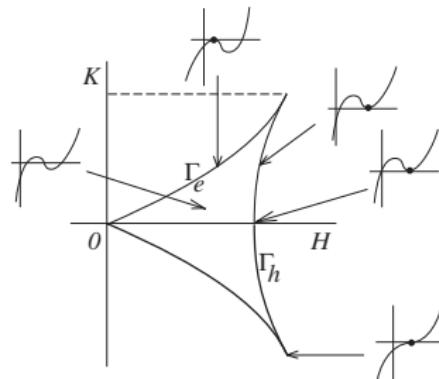


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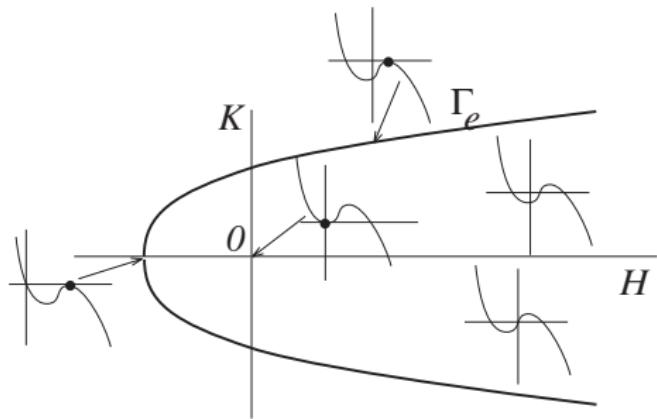


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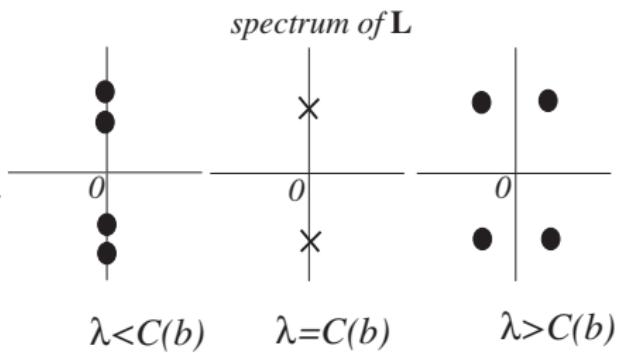


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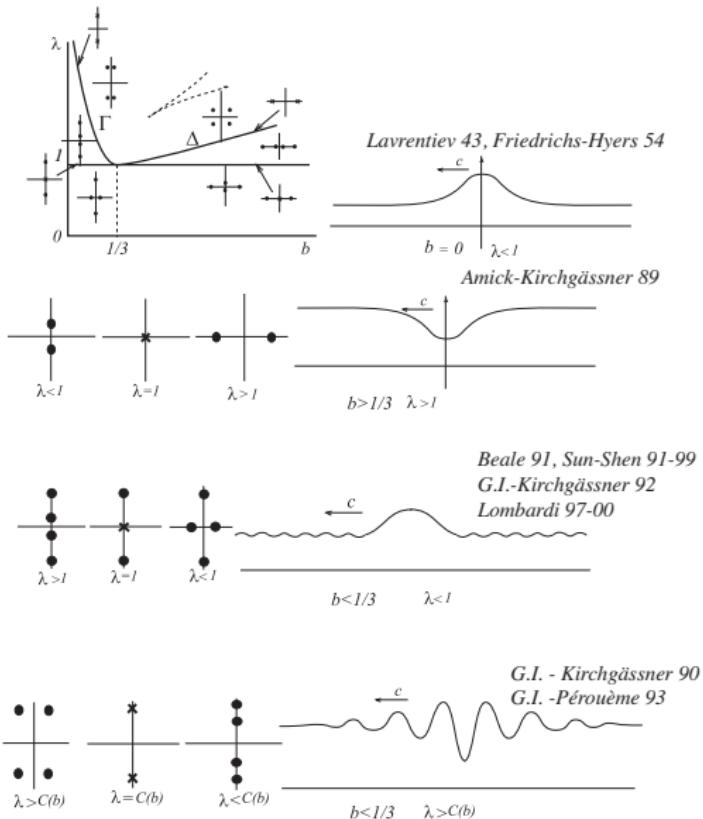
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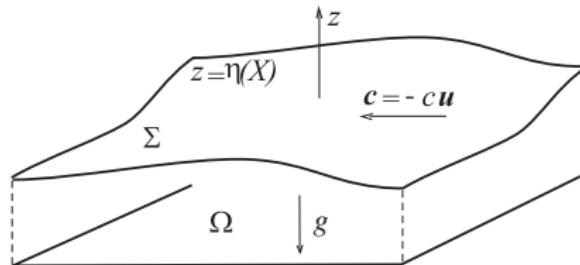
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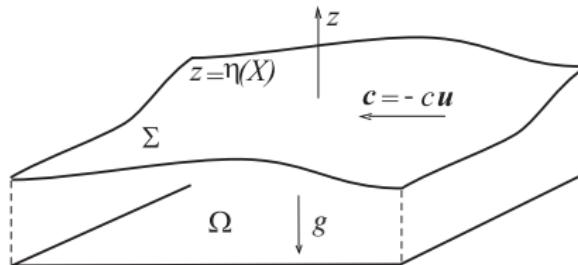


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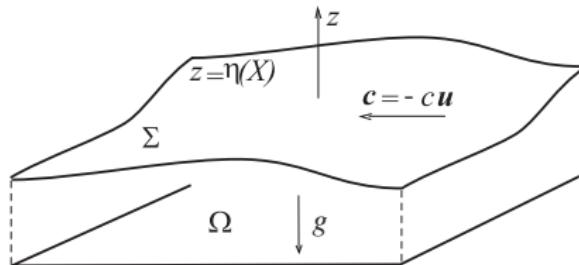
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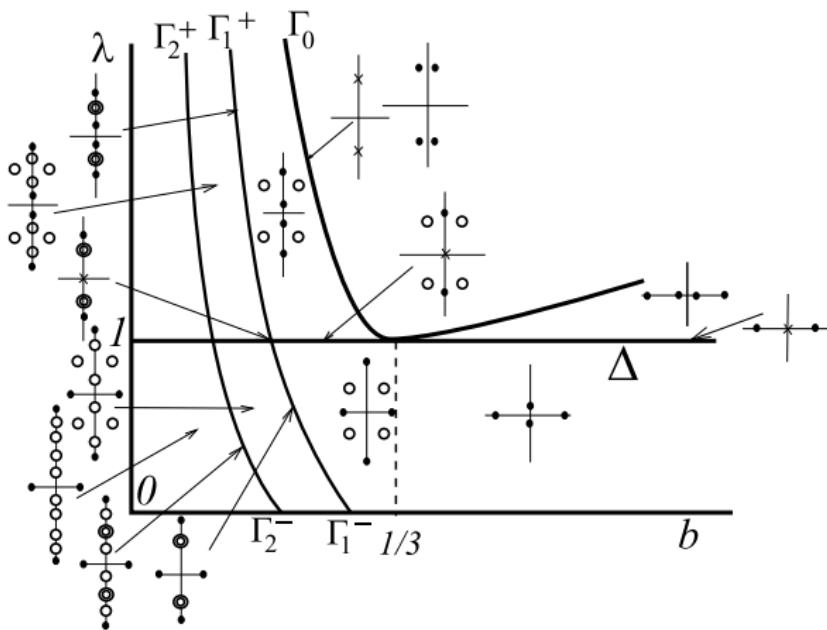
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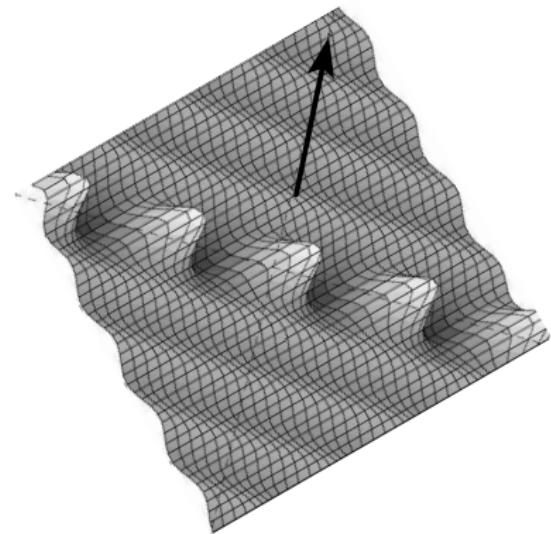
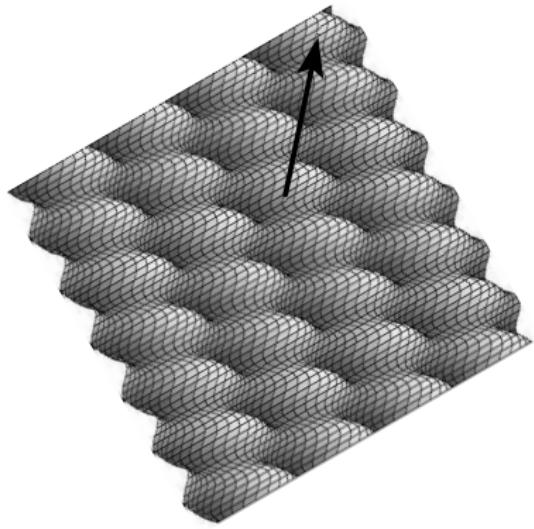
$n = 0 \Rightarrow 2D$  case.

$P$ : wave length in the horizontal direction transverse to the wave propagation

When  $b \rightarrow 0$ , the number of imaginary eigenvalues  $\sigma = ik$  of  $\mathbf{L}_{\lambda,b}$  tends to  $\infty$  (with no accumulation)

# Solitary waves, depending on the spectrum II





**Three-dimensional water waves** which have the profile of a periodic wave (left), and of a generalized solitary wave (right) in the direction of propagation, and are periodic in the perpendicular direction. The arrows indicate the direction of propagation.

# Physical situations

## Tsunami

$h = 4000\text{m}$ ,  $L = 100\text{km}$  (wave length)

$\lambda_c = 1$  for  $c \sim 195\text{m/s}$

$b = O(10^{-13})$  ( $\simeq$  no surface tension)

## Solitary waves in a wave tank

$h = 10\text{cm}$ ,  $L = 250\text{cm}$

$\lambda_c = 1$  for  $c \sim 98\text{cm/s}$

$b = O(10^{-4})$

## Wind waves (generated by a storm)

$h = 1000\text{m}$ ,  $L = 150\text{m}$

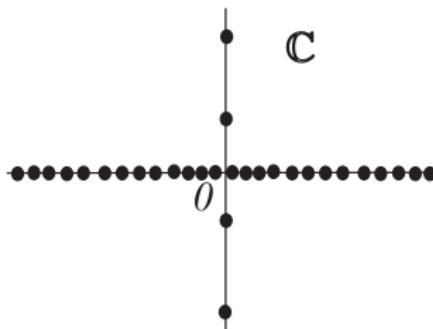
$\lambda_c = 1$  for  $c \sim 100\text{m/s} \Rightarrow$  usually no solitary wave

$b = O(10^{-10})$

# Limit $h \rightarrow \infty$ for 2D travelling waves

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty, b \rightarrow 0, \lambda b = \text{const}$ , length scale:  $l = \frac{T}{\rho c^2} = hb$ ,  
real eigenvalues  $\sigma$  satisfy

$$\sigma = \{\lambda b - \sigma^2\} \tan(\sigma/b)$$



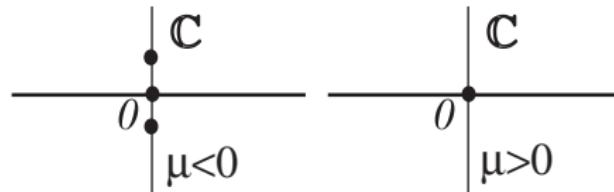
eigenvalues accumulate on the real axis as  $h \rightarrow \infty$

For  $h = \infty$  the entire real axis  $\in$  spectrum of  $L_0 \Rightarrow$  no gap with imaginary axis

Reduction to a center manifold inefficient

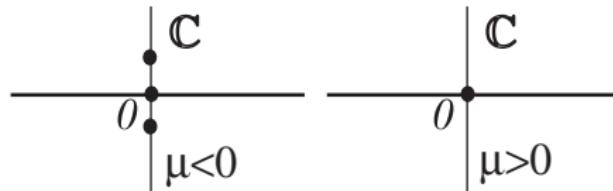
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leading orders give the "Benjamin-Ono" equation

$$\mathcal{H} \left( \frac{dA}{dx} \right) = \mu A + bA^2$$

$$\text{compare with } \frac{d^2A}{dx^2} = \mu A + bA^2$$

similar dynamics, except asymptotics at infinity.

*Open problem: passage to the limit  $h \rightarrow \infty$*