

The Explosive Instability due to 3-wave or 4-wave mixing

Lecture 19

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- A. Review 3-wave mixing (resonant triads) and 4-wave (including NLS)
- B. Explosive instability in ODEs
3-wave mixing, 4-wave mixing
- C. Open problem: a physical application of explosive instability due to 4-wave mixing
- D. Effect of dissipation
- E. Effect of spatial structure

A. Recall derivation of 3-wave equations

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Q: Does $\omega(k)$ admit 3 pairs $\{\vec{k}, \omega(\vec{k})\}$

so

$$\vec{k}_1 \pm \vec{k}_2 \pm \vec{k}_3 = 0, \quad \omega(\vec{k}_1) \pm \omega(\vec{k}_2) \pm \omega(\vec{k}_3) = 0?$$

If yes \rightarrow 3-wave equations (resonant triads)

If no \rightarrow 4-wave equations (resonant quartets)

3-wave equations

Suppose $\vec{k}_1 \pm \vec{k}_2 \pm \vec{k}_3 = 0$, $\omega(\vec{k}_1) \pm \omega(\vec{k}_2) \pm \omega(\vec{k}_3) = 0$.

Then $u(\vec{x}, t; \varepsilon) = \varepsilon \sum_{m=1}^3 A_m(\varepsilon \vec{x}, \varepsilon t) \cdot \exp\{i\vec{k}_m \cdot \vec{x} - i\omega(\vec{k}_m)t\} + O(\varepsilon^2)$

and

$$\partial_{\tau}(A_m) + \vec{c}_m \cdot \nabla A_m = i\delta_m A_n^* A_l^*,$$

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3-wave mixing

(capillary-gravity waves; χ_2 materials)

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- The blow-up occurs even with **no spatial structure**, so $A_m = A_m(\tau)$.

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- Special case:

$$\{\vec{k} + \delta\vec{k}\} + \{\vec{k} - \delta\vec{k}\} - \vec{k} = \vec{k},$$

$$\{\omega(\vec{k}) + \delta\omega\} + \{\omega(\vec{k}) - \delta\omega\} - \omega(\vec{k}) = \omega(\vec{k}).$$

➔ nonlinear Schrödinger equation

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$$i(\partial_\tau A + c \partial_\chi A) + \varepsilon[\alpha \cdot \partial_\chi^2 A + \gamma |A|^2 A] = 0.$$

For two coupled wave fields (in 1-D):

$$i(\partial_\tau A + c_1 \partial_\chi A) + \varepsilon[\alpha_1 \cdot \partial_\chi^2 A + A(\gamma_{11} |A|^2 + \gamma_{12} |B|^2)] = 0,$$
$$i(\partial_\tau B + c_2 \partial_\chi B) + \varepsilon[\alpha_2 \cdot \partial_\chi^2 B + B(\gamma_{21} |A|^2 + \gamma_{22} |B|^2)] = 0.$$

(also called vector NLS)

NLS equations with 4-wave mixing (in 1-D)

$$i(\partial_{\tau} A_m + c_m \partial_{\chi} A_m) + \varepsilon[\alpha_m \cdot \partial_{\chi}^2 A_m + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^*] = 0,$$

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(Benney & Newell, 1967)

(gravity-driven surface water waves; χ_3 materials)

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Q: Does the “new” 4-wave mixing term permit new phenomena?

A: **Yes - explosive instability**

(even with no spatial structure, so NOT wave collapse)

B. Explosive instability with no spatial dependence

- 3-wave equations (1969)
- 4-wave equations (2007)

3-wave equations no spatial dependence

$$A_1'(\tau) = i\delta_1 A_2^* A_3^*, \quad A_2'(\tau) = i\delta_2 A_3^* A_1^*, \quad A_3'(\tau) = i\delta_3 A_1^* A_2^*.$$

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Necessary and sufficient conditions for blow-up in finite time:

- at least two of $\{A_1(0), A_2(0), A_3(0)\}$ are non-zero;
- $\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3\}$ all have the same sign (and non-zero).

(Coppi, Rosenbluth, Sudan, 1969)

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Necessary:

Manley-Rowe relations (constants of motion):

$$J_1 = \frac{|A_1|^2}{\delta_1} - \frac{|A_3|^2}{\delta_3}, \quad J_2 = \frac{|A_2|^2}{\delta_2} - \frac{|A_3|^2}{\delta_3}.$$

If $\text{sign}(\delta_m) \neq \text{sign}(\delta_n)$ for any $m \neq n$,

→ no blow-up.

(Results for 4-wave mixing are similar, but slightly more complicated.)

$$A_1'(\tau) = i\delta_1 A_2^* A_3^*, \quad A_2'(\tau) = i\delta_2 A_3^* A_1^*, \quad A_3'(\tau) = i\delta_3 A_1^* A_2^*.$$

Sufficient: Suppose $\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3\}$ have same sign.

A 3-parameter family of singular solutions is

$$A_m(\tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{e^{i\theta_m}}{(\tau_0 - \tau)}, \quad \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \frac{\pi}{2} + 2\pi N.$$

The 3 free, real-valued parameters are $\{\tau_0, \theta_1, \theta_2\}$.

(This justifies name: “**explosive instability**”)

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Q: General solution of the ODEs?

A: Assume $A_m(\tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{e^{i\theta_m}}{(\tau_0 - \tau)}$ is the first term in a

Laurent series, in the neighborhood of a pole:

$$A_m(\tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{e^{i\theta_m}}{(\tau_0 - \tau)} [1 + \alpha_m (\tau_0 - \tau) + \beta_m (\tau_0 - \tau)^2 + \gamma_m (\tau_0 - \tau)^3 + O((\tau_0 - \tau)^4)]$$

Determine complex coefficients, order by order

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6 real-valued, free constants: $\{\tau_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma\}$

\Rightarrow every nontrivial solution of the ODEs near $\tau = \tau_0$
 blows up at $\tau = \tau_0$.

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Free constants: $\{\tau_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma\}$

Series converges absolutely if:

$$(i) \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0, \quad \left| \frac{\gamma(\tau_0 - \tau)^3}{3} \right| < 1 \quad \text{or}$$

$$(ii) \quad |\beta_n| \leq B, \quad |\gamma| \leq B^{\frac{3}{2}}, \quad |\tau_0 - \tau|^2 B < 1$$

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Q: What does it mean physically for all three wave trains to blow up in finite time?

The end of the world?

A: Perhaps, but probably not.

The 3-wave equations evolve on a long time-scale ($t = O(\varepsilon^{-1})$). Blow-up in finite time usually means that assumptions in model have broken down at this time, or earlier.

Before model breaks down completely, there is **significant** energy transfer into the wave modes.

4-wave equations no spatial dependence

$$iA'_m + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \Gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^* = 0, \quad m,p,q,r = 1,2,3,4$$

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- $\left| \sum_{m,n=1}^4 \Gamma_{mn} |\delta_n| \right| < 4\sqrt{\delta_1\delta_2\delta_3\delta_4}$

For NLS-type models with 4-wave mixing

- **Self-focussing singularity (or wave collapse)**
 - requires 2 or more spatial dimensions
 - a finite amount of energy collapses to a point
 - solution blows up at one point, in finite time
- **Explosive instability**
 - works in any number of spatial dimensions (including 0)
 - draws an infinite amount of energy from a background source
 - solution blows up everywhere, in finite time

C. An open problem

Find a physical example of the explosive instability due to 4-wave mixing, (with or) without spatial structure

$$iA'_m + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \Gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^* = 0,$$

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Final result for ODEs

when necessary conditions hold

- 3 wave mixing

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An 8-parameter family of solutions all blow up

D. Can damping stop blow-up in ODES?

With no damping:

$$A'_m(\tau) = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^*, \quad m, p, q = 1, 2, 3$$

Add damping:

$$A'_m(\tau) = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^* - \nu_m A_m, \quad \nu_m \geq 0.$$

Simplest case: uniform damping $\nu_1 = \nu_2 = \nu_3 = \nu$

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CHANGE VARIABLES:

$$T = \frac{1 - e^{-\nu\tau}}{\nu}, \quad A_m(\tau) = e^{-\nu\tau} \alpha_m(T), \quad m = 1, 2, 3$$

This maps (2) into (1), exactly (Miles, 1984)

Result: uniform damping provides a threshold for blow-up

3-wave mixing with uniform damping:

$$A'_m(\tau) = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^* - \nu A_m,$$

If

- $\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3\}$ all have the same sign

- $|A_m(0)| \geq \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{\nu}{1 - e^{-\nu \tau_0}}, \quad m = 1, 2, 3$ (threshold)

then solutions blow-up in finite time.

(A similar result holds for 4-wave mixing)

Can non-uniform damping stop blow-up in ODES?

$$A'_m(\tau) = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^* - \nu_m A_m, \quad \nu_m \geq 0.$$

Seek a formal series solution:

$$A_m(\tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{e^{i\theta_m}}{(\tau_0 - \tau)} [1 + \alpha_m (\tau_0 - \tau) + \beta_m (\tau_0 - \tau)^2 + \dots]$$

This is too restrictive – singularity is **not** a pole

Effect of non-uniform damping

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Try

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Find: $\{\alpha_m\}$ real, determined by $\{\nu_n\}$

$\{b_m\}$ real, determined by $\{\nu_n\}$

$\{\beta_m\}$ real, $\{\beta_1, \beta_2\}$ free

Continue...

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But

- Blow-up persists for a 6-parameter family of (formal) solutions of the ODEs
- Damping does not quench blow-up, except perhaps by inserting a threshold for blow-up.

Thank you for your attention

E. Blow-up in PDES?

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Unknown: periodic boundary conditions?

more than 1-D in space?

What about the PDEs?

$$\partial_{\tau}(A_m) + \vec{c}_m \cdot \nabla A_m = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^*, \quad m, p, q = 1, 2, 3$$

Alternative approach: **variation of parameters**

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Suppose we allow $\{\beta_1 = \beta_1(\mathbf{x}), \beta_2 = \beta_2(\mathbf{x}), \gamma = \gamma(\mathbf{x})\}$?

What about the PDEs?

$$\partial_{\tau}(A_m) + \vec{c}_m \cdot \nabla A_m = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^*, \quad m, p, q = 1, 2, 3$$

Result:

$$A_m(\vec{x}, \tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{e^{i\theta_m}}{(\tau_0 - \tau)} [1 + \beta_m(\vec{x})(\tau_0 - \tau)^2 + \{g_m(\vec{x}) + i\gamma(\vec{x})\}(\tau_0 - \tau)^3 + \dots]$$

$\{\beta_1(x), \beta_2(x), \gamma(x)\}$ are real-valued and arbitrary

$\{g_m(x)\}$ are real-valued, known (in terms of $\beta_m(x)$)

(Function space is arbitrary at this point.)

More of the same

$$\partial_{\tau}(A_m) + \vec{c}_m \cdot \nabla A_m = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^*, \quad m, p, q = 1, 2, 3$$

Allow $\{\theta_1(x), \theta_2(x), \beta_1(x), \beta_2(x), \gamma(x)\}$:

$$A_m(\vec{x}, \tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{e^{i\theta_m(\vec{x})}}{(\tau_0 - \tau)} [1 + ia_m(\vec{x})(\tau_0 - \tau) + \{\beta_m(\vec{x}) + ib_m(\vec{x})\}(\tau_0 - \tau)^2 + \{g_m(\vec{x}) + i\gamma(x)\}(\tau_0 - \tau)^3 + \dots]$$

This family of (formal) solutions of the PDEs admit 5 arbitrary functions of (x) , in any function space.

The last step (V. Putkaradze)

$$\partial_\tau (A_m) + \vec{c}_m \cdot \nabla A_m = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^*, \quad m, p, q = 1, 2, 3$$

$$A_m(\vec{x}, \tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{\rho_m(\vec{x}) e^{i\theta_m(\vec{x})}}{(\tau_0(\vec{x}) - \tau)} [1 + ia_m(\vec{x})(\tau_0 - \tau) + \{\beta_m(\vec{x}) + ib_m(\vec{x})\}(\tau_0 - \tau)^2 + \{g_m(\vec{x}) + i\gamma(x)\}(\tau_0 - \tau)^3 + \dots],$$

$$\rho_1^2(\vec{x}) = (1 - \vec{c}_2 \cdot \nabla \tau_0(\vec{x})) \cdot (1 - \vec{c}_3 \cdot \nabla \tau_0(\vec{x})),$$

$$\rho_2^2(\vec{x}) = (1 - \vec{c}_3 \cdot \nabla \tau_0(\vec{x})) \cdot (1 - \vec{c}_1 \cdot \nabla \tau_0(\vec{x})),$$

$$\rho_3^2(\vec{x}) = (1 - \vec{c}_1 \cdot \nabla \tau_0(\vec{x})) \cdot (1 - \vec{c}_2 \cdot \nabla \tau_0(\vec{x})).$$

What's left for 3-wave mixing?

$$\partial_\tau (A_m) + \vec{c}_m \cdot \nabla A_m = i\delta_m A_p^* A_q^*, \quad m, p, q = 1, 2, 3$$

$$A_m(\vec{x}, \tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_m}{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3}} \frac{\rho_m(\vec{x}) e^{i\theta_m(\vec{x})}}{(\tau_0(\vec{x}) - \tau)} [1 + ia_m(\vec{x})(\tau_0 - \tau) + \{\beta_m(\vec{x}) + ib_m(\vec{x})\}(\tau_0 - \tau)^2 + \{g_m(\vec{x}) + i\gamma(x)\}(\tau_0 - t)^3 + \dots],$$

- Convergence of the series?
(Cauchy-Kovalevskaya theory?)
- Constraints on the free functions for blow-up?
- Physical Application?

Can damping stop blow-up?

With no damping:

$$i \frac{d(A_m)}{dt} + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^* = 0,$$

Add damping:

$$i \frac{d(A_m)}{dt} + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^* + i\nu_m A_m = 0,$$
$$\nu_m \geq 0.$$

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Uniform damping:

$$(2) \quad i \frac{d(A_m)}{dt} + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^* + i\nu \cdot A_m = 0,$$

Change variables:

$$T = \frac{1 - e^{-2\nu t}}{2\nu}, \quad A_m(t) = e^{-\nu t} \alpha_m(T), \quad m = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

This maps (2) into (1), exactly.

Damping provides a threshold for blow-up

4-wave mixing with uniform damping:

$$i \frac{d(A_m)}{dt} + A_m \sum_{n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |A_n|^2 + \delta_m A_p^* A_q^* A_r^* + i\nu \cdot A_m = 0$$

If

- $\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3, \delta_4\}$ all have the same sign

•

$$\left| \sum_{m,n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |\delta_n| \right| < 4\sqrt{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3 \delta_4}$$

•

$$|A_m(0)|^2 \geq \frac{\nu |\delta_m|}{\sqrt{\delta_1 \delta_2 \delta_3 \delta_4 - \left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{m,n=1}^4 \gamma_{mn} |\delta_n|\right)^2}}, \quad m = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

Then solutions blow-up in finite time.