
Mathematical modeling of complex systems

Part 3. Hydrodynamics

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1. Introduction

- System with interacting agents without leaders
 - emergence of large scale space-time structures
 - produced by local interactions only



- Local interactions are complex & difficult to access from experiments
- Classical micro-macro approach is bottom-up
- Complex systems require top-down approach
 - use macro model to probe the data and extract the relevant information
- Important to link micro interactions to macro model
- Justification of macroscopic limits difficult
 - \exists correlations: chaos assumption may not be true

- Leave justification of chaos assumption aside
- Three steps
 - time-continuous particle (IBM) model
 - Mean-field kinetic limit
 - Hydrodynamic limit
- Difficulty
 - dimension of invariants $<$ dimension of equilibria
 - New concept of 'Generalized Collisions Invariants'
 - 1st derivation of non-conservative model from kinetics

2. From particles to mean-field model

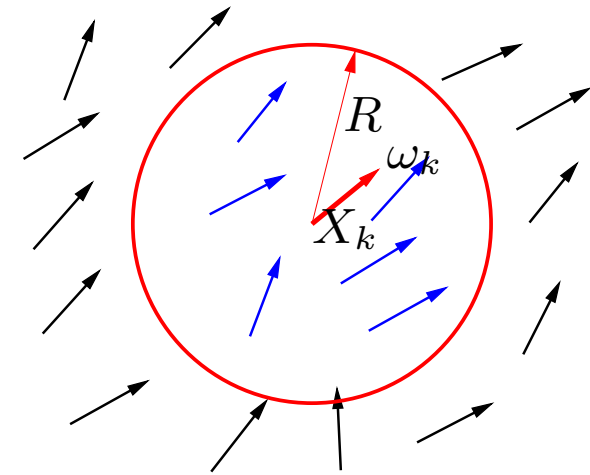
Time-discrete model:

$t^n = n\Delta t$

k -th individual

X_k^n : position at t^n

ω_k^n : velocity with $|\omega_k^n| = 1$



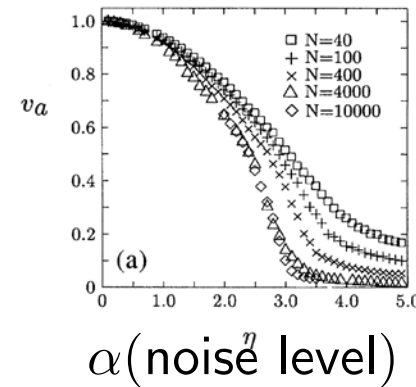
$X_k^{n+1} = X_k^n + \omega_k^n \Delta t$

$\omega_k^{n+1} = \bar{\omega}_k^n + \text{noise (uniform in small angle interval)}$

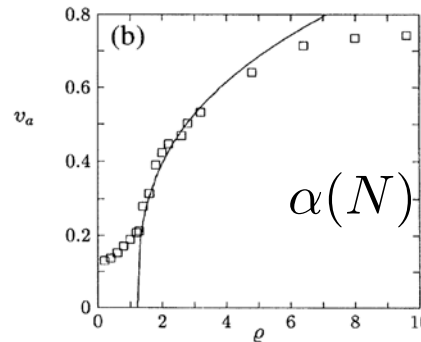
$$\bar{\omega}_k^n = \frac{J_k^n}{|J_k^n|}, \quad J_k^n = \sum_{j, |X_j^n - X_k^n| \leq R} \omega_j^n$$

Alignment to neighbours' mean velocity plus noise

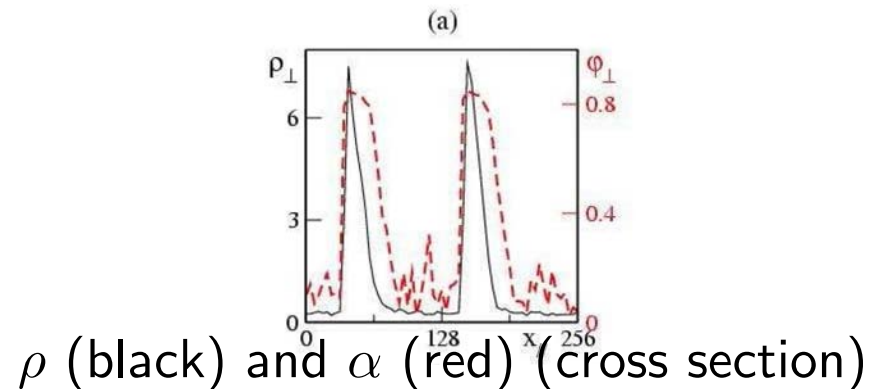
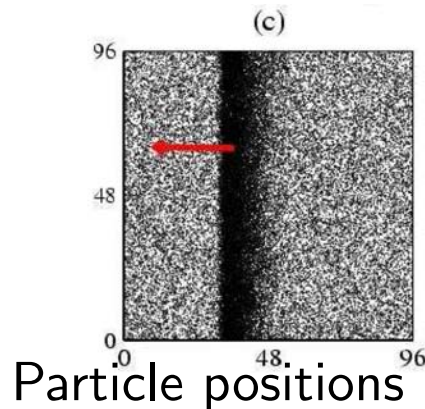
As noise decreases
[Vicsek et al, PRL 95]



As density increases
[Vicsek et al, PRL 95]



Band formation [Chaté et al]



Time continuous dynamics:

$$\dot{X}_k(t) = \omega_k(t)$$

$$d\omega_k(t) = (\text{Id} - \omega_k \otimes \omega_k)(\nu \bar{\omega}_k dt + \sqrt{2D} dB_t)$$

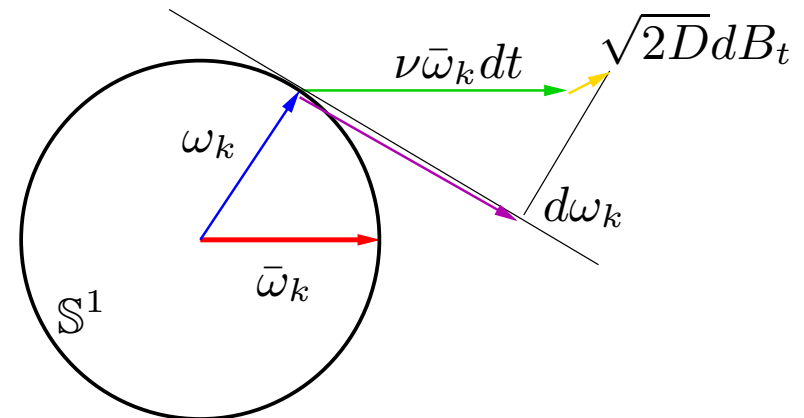
$$\bar{\omega}_k = \frac{J_k}{|J_k|}, \quad J_k = \sum_{j, |X_j - X_k| \leq R} \omega_j$$

Recover original Vicsek by:

Time discretization Δt

Gaussian noise \rightarrow uniform

$\nu \Delta t = 1$



➤ $f(x, \omega, t) = 1$ -particle proba distr.

➤ satisfies a Fokker-Planck equation

➤ Scaling to macro variables $\tilde{x} = \varepsilon x$, $\tilde{t} = \varepsilon t$, $\varepsilon \ll 1$

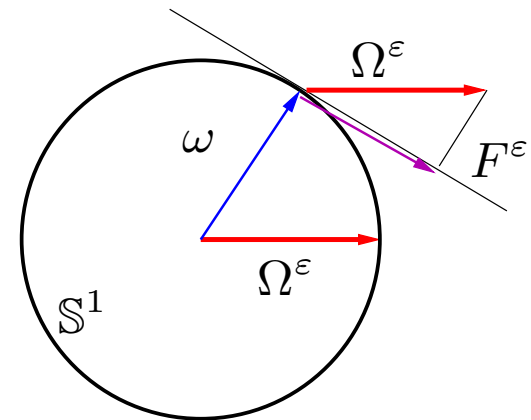
➤ local interaction: $\tilde{R} = \varepsilon R$

➤ Fokker-Planck eq. in scaled variables

$$\varepsilon(\partial_t f^\varepsilon + \omega \cdot \nabla_x f^\varepsilon) + \nabla_\omega \cdot (F^\varepsilon f^\varepsilon) = D \Delta_\omega f^\varepsilon$$

$$F^\varepsilon = (\text{Id} - \omega \otimes \omega) \Omega^\varepsilon$$

$$\Omega^\varepsilon = \frac{j^\varepsilon}{|j^\varepsilon|}, \quad j^\varepsilon = \int_{|v|=1} v f^\varepsilon(x, v, t) dv$$



➤ Ω^ε is the direction of the local flux

3. From Mean-Field to Hydrodynamics

➡ Model can be written

$$\partial_t f^\varepsilon + \omega \cdot \nabla_x f^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} Q(f^\varepsilon)$$

➡ with collision operator

$$Q(f) = -\nabla_\omega \cdot (F_f f) + D \Delta_\omega f$$

$$F_f = (\text{Id} - \omega \otimes \omega) \Omega_f$$

$$\Omega_f = \frac{j_f}{|j_f|}, \quad j_f = \int_{|v|=1} v f(x, v, t) dv$$

➡ Problem: find the limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

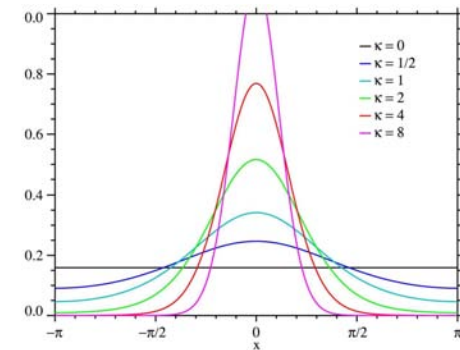
⇒ Equilibrium manifold: $\mathcal{E} = \{f \mid Q(f) = 0\}$

⇒ Rewrite

$$Q(f) = \nabla_{\omega} \cdot [-F_f f + D \nabla_{\omega} f]$$

⇒ Introduce the solution of $[\dots] = 0$

⇒ $\forall \Omega \in \mathbb{S}^1, \exists$ a unique normalized solution $f = M_{\Omega}$ such that $\Omega_f = \Omega$



⇒ Von-Mises distribution:

$$M_{\Omega}(\omega) = Z^{-1} \exp \beta(\omega \cdot \Omega), \quad \int M_{\Omega}(\omega) d\omega = 1, \quad \beta = D^{-1}$$

⇒ $Q(f)$ can be written

$$Q(f) = D \nabla_{\omega} \cdot \left[M_{\Omega_f} \nabla_{\omega} \left(\frac{f}{M_{\Omega_f}} \right) \right]$$

⇒ Entropy inequality

$$H(f) = \int Q(f) \frac{f}{M_{\Omega_f}} d\omega = -D \int M_{\Omega_f} \left| \nabla_{\omega} \left(\frac{f}{M_{\Omega_f}} \right) \right|^2 \leq 0$$

⇒ $\mathcal{E} = \{ \rho M_{\Omega}(\omega) \text{ for arbitrary } \rho \in \mathbb{R}_+ \text{ and } \Omega \in \mathbb{S}^2 \}$
 (or \mathbb{S}^1 in dim 2)

$$\Rightarrow \dim \mathcal{E} = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{in dimension 3} \\ 2 & \text{in dimension 2} \end{cases}$$

2nd step: Collision invariants (conserved quantities)

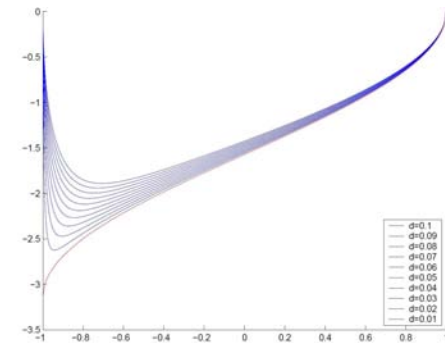
- Function $\psi(\omega)$ such that $\int Q(f)\psi d\omega = 0, \quad \forall f$
 - Form a vector space \mathcal{C}
 - Multiply eq. by ψ : ε^{-1} term disappears
 - Find a conservation law
 - Limit fully determined if $\dim \mathcal{C} = \dim \mathcal{E}$
- Here $\dim \mathcal{C} = 1$ because $\mathcal{C} = \text{Span}\{1\}$
 - conservation of mass
 - $\dim \mathcal{E} = 3 > \dim \mathcal{C} = 1$ (in dimension 3)
 - Is the limit problem ill-posed ?

➡ Given Ω , find ψ_Ω a GCI, such that

$$\int Q(f)\psi_\Omega d\omega = 0, \quad \forall f \text{ such that } \Omega_f = \Omega$$

➡ Given Ω , the GCI form a 3-dim vector space spanned by 1 and $\vec{\psi}_\Omega(\omega)$

➡ $\vec{\psi}_\Omega(\omega) = \frac{\Omega \times \omega}{|\Omega \times \omega|} g(\Omega \cdot \omega)$
 $g(\mu)$ sol. of elliptic eq:



$$-(1-\mu^2)\partial_\mu(e^{\mu/D}(1-\mu^2)\partial_\mu g) + e^{\mu/D}g = -(1-\mu^2)^{3/2}e^{\mu/D}$$

➤ Multiply FP eq by $\vec{\psi}_{\Omega, f^\varepsilon}$

➤ $O(\varepsilon^{-1})$ terms disappear

➤ Let $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$: $f^\varepsilon \rightarrow \rho M_\Omega$ and $\vec{\psi}_{\Omega, f^\varepsilon} \rightarrow \vec{\psi}_\Omega$

➤ Gives:

$$\int (\partial_t(\rho M_\Omega) + \omega \cdot \nabla_x(\rho M_\Omega)) \vec{\psi}_\Omega d\omega = 0$$

➤ Not a conservation equation because of dependence of $\vec{\psi}_\Omega$ upon Ω

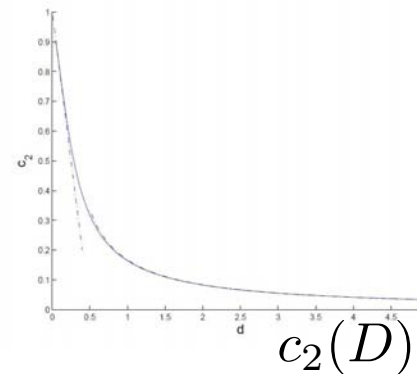
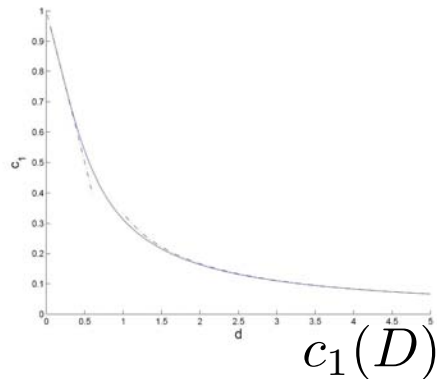
➡ density $\rho(x, t)$; flux director $\Omega(x, t)$:

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla_x \cdot (c_1 \rho \Omega) = 0$$

$$\rho (\partial_t \Omega + c_2 (\Omega \cdot \nabla) \Omega) + D (\text{Id} - \Omega \otimes \Omega) \nabla_x \rho = 0$$

$$|\Omega| = 1$$

➡ c_1, c_2 : constants (moments of M_Ω and g), $c_2 < c_1$



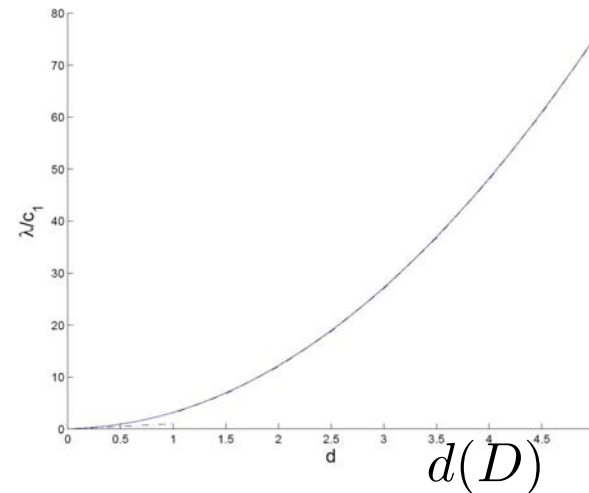
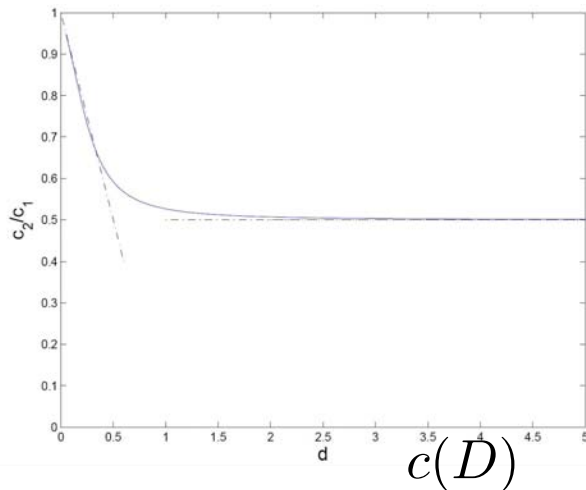
4. Properties of the hydrodynamic model

By time rescaling: $c = c_2/c_1 < 1$, $d = D/c_1$
 Density $\rho(x, t)$, flux director $\Omega(x, t)$:

$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla_x \cdot (\rho \Omega) = 0$$

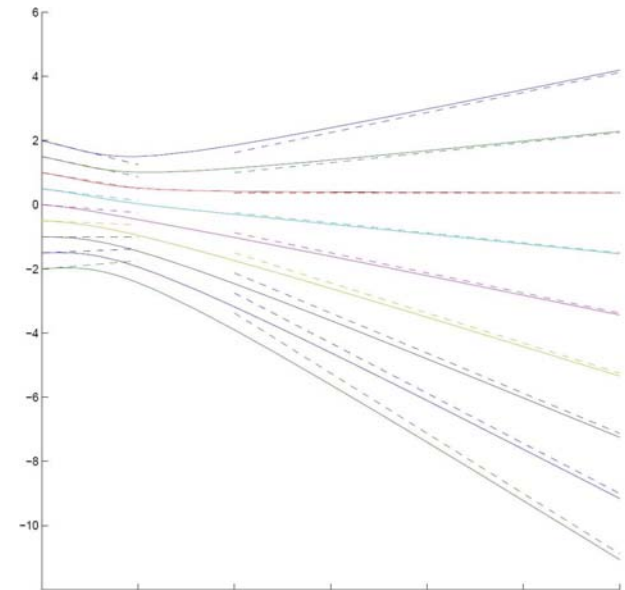
$$\rho (\partial_t \Omega + c(\Omega \cdot \nabla) \Omega) + d (\text{Id} - \Omega \otimes \Omega) \nabla_x \rho = 0$$

$$|\Omega| = 1$$



- Hyperbolic model with geometric constraint
 - Non-conservative terms arise from the constraint
 - Hydro & relaxation limits do not commute
- Velocity information travels slower than mass flow
 - like traffic
 - reinforced by forward vision

[Frouvelle]



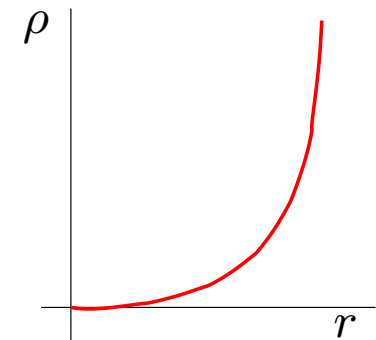
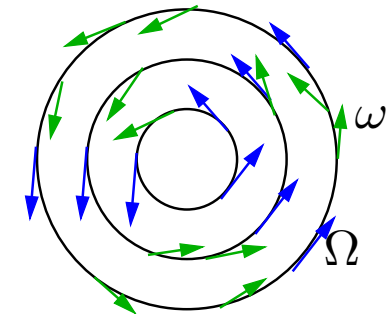
$c(D)$ for various apertures of vision cone

➡ Mills: $\rho(r) = \rho_0 (r / r_0)^{c/d}$, $\Omega = x^\perp / r$

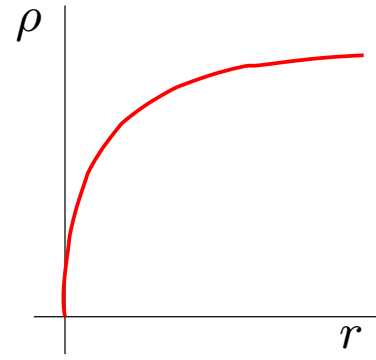
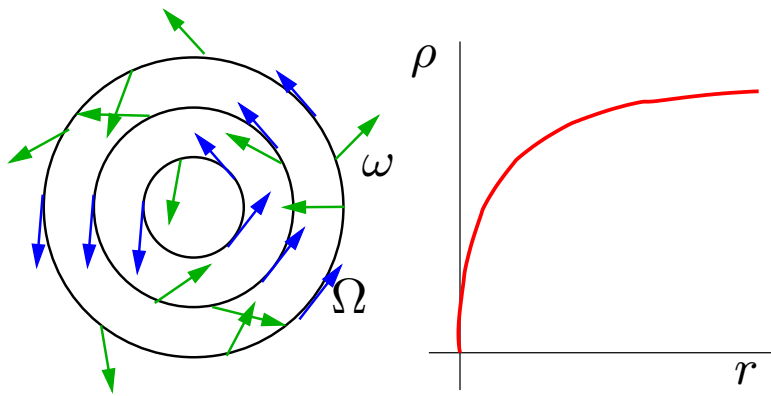
➡ Shape depends on noise level

➡ small noise: $\rho(r)$ convex:
sharp edged mills

➡ large noise: $\rho(r)$ concave:
fuzzy edges



small noise



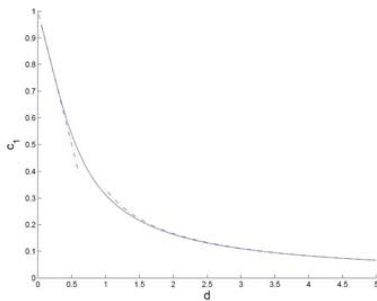
large noise

➡ Stability of mills ?

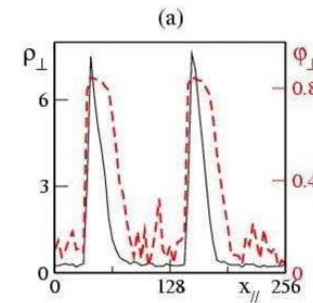
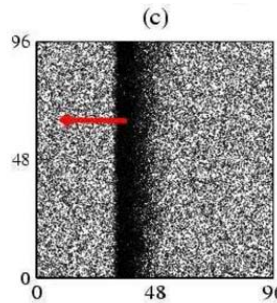
- $c_1 = |j_{M_\Omega}| = \text{order parameter}$

 - $c_1 \sim 1$: aligned
 ➤ $c_1 \sim 0$: random
- Vicsek: c_1 not uniform in space
- Hydro model: c_1 uniform (fixed by D)

 - Cure: make $D(\rho)$ (fluctuations ?) see [Frouvelle]

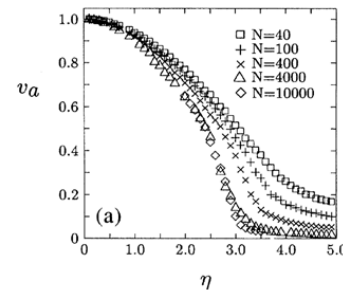


$c_1(D)$

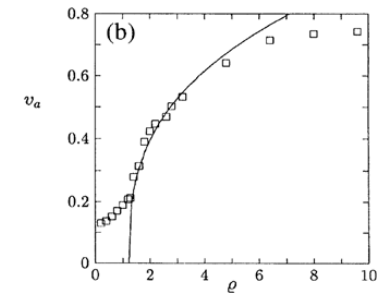


after [Chaté et al]: particle simulations show band formation ; ρ & c_1 (cross section)

➡ Vicsek model has phase transitions

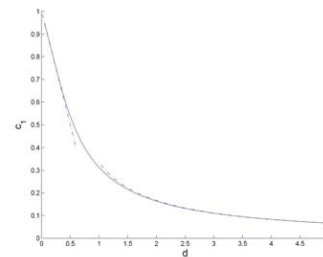


$c_1(D)$



$c_1(\rho)$

➡ Hydro model has **no** phase transitions



$c_1(D)$

➡ Different regimes

➡ Vicsek: interaction radius is $O(1)$ (instead of $O(\varepsilon)$)

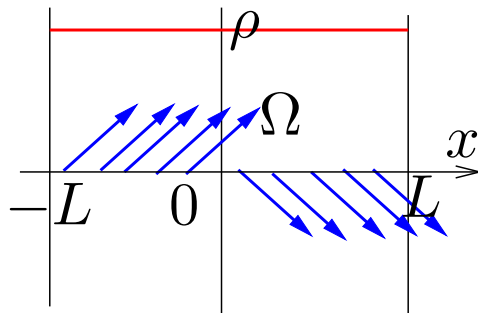
➡ number of particle not large: Mean-Field and Hydro limits not valid

- Difficulty: geometric constraint $|\Omega| = 1$
 - No theoretical framework
 - Chen-Levermore-Liu theory does not apply
 - Shock speed undefined, no entropy, . . .

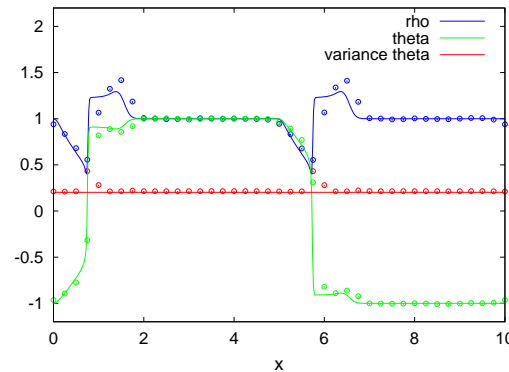
- Model = relaxation limit of conservative model
$$\partial_t(\rho\Omega) + c\nabla \cdot (\rho\Omega \otimes \Omega) + d\nabla_x\rho = -\epsilon^{-1}\rho(1 - |\Omega|^2)\Omega$$

- Numerical methods [Motsch & Navoret]: compare
 - Standard methods
 - Method based on a splitting of the relaxation model

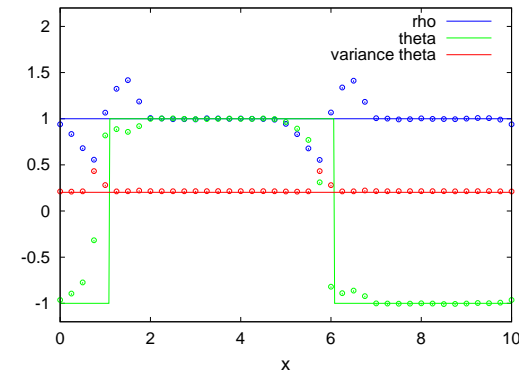
Initial conditions



Relaxation-based



Standard



- Initial contact discontinuity $\theta \rightarrow -\theta$ at $x = 0$
- Vicsek (dots) and Hydro (solid line)
- $\rho(x)$ (blue), $\theta(x)$ green, $c_1(x)$ red $\Omega = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$
- Excellent agreement with relaxation-based meth.
- Wrong results with standard meth.

- Initial contact discontinuity resolved by complex wave pattern
 - not reproduced by standard methods
 - Confirms the need for a theory of these systems

5. Conclusion

- Hydrodynamics of Vicsek model
 - derived under appropriate scaling hypotheses
- Non-standard features have been outlined
 - lack of collision invariants
- A new concept has been proposed
 - Generalized Collision Invariant
- 1st derivation of non-conservative model from kinetic theory
 - [D. Motsch, M3AS, Vol. 18, (2008)]

- ▶ Excellent agreement with Vicsek particle model
 - ▶ provided relaxation formulation is used
- ▶ Geometrical constraint
 - ▶ requires theoretical investigations
- ▶ Improvements required:
 - ▶ non-constant order parameter
 - ▶ possibility of phase transition
 - ▶ more general alignment dynamics
- ▶ Further refinements
 - ▶ work in progress by A. Frouvelle