

***Towards Global Existence and
Optimal Equilibration Rates for
Reaction-Diffusion Models***

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Overview

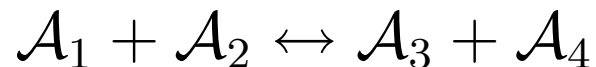
Towards **bright sun** and **white snow** for RD models

- Single Reversible Reaction: Quadratic RD system
 - Entropy-Dissipation structure
 - Global existence (classical vs. weak)
 - Convergence to equilibrium (optimal?)
- Networks of Reversible Reactions
 - Motivation
 - Entropy-Dissipation structure?
 - Quasi-Steady-State-Approximation
 - Volume-Surface RD models

Reaction-Diffusion Systems

Prototypical quadratic system: $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

- One reversible reaction of four species \mathcal{A}_i



- mass action law kinetics: reaction rates $\sim a_1 a_2 - a_3 a_4$
- bounded, smooth domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, $|\Omega| = 1$
homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions

Reaction-Diffusion Systems

Prototypical quadratic system: $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

Concentrations $a_i(t, x)$ of \mathcal{A}_i , **different** diffusivities $d_i > 0$

$$\partial_t a_1 - d_1 \Delta_x a_1 = -a_1 a_2 + a_3 a_4$$

$$\partial_t a_2 - d_2 \Delta_x a_2 = -a_1 a_2 + a_3 a_4$$

$$\partial_t a_3 - d_3 \Delta_x a_3 = +a_1 a_2 - a_3 a_4$$

$$\partial_t a_4 - d_4 \Delta_x a_4 = +a_1 a_2 - a_3 a_4$$

- quadratic non-linearities, Bootstrap?
- no comparison principle, no invariant regions, Turing instability?
- NO, there is an **entropy functional!**

Entropy and Entropy Dissipation

Prototypical quadratic model: $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

Kinetic (free energy) entropy

$$H(a_i) = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^4 (a_i \ln(a_i) - a_i) dx$$

Entropy dissipation $\frac{d}{dt}H = -D \leq 0$

$$D(a_i) = 4 \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_{\Omega} d_i |\nabla \sqrt{a_i}|^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} (a_1 a_2 - a_3 a_4) \ln \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_3 a_4} dx \geq 0$$

Programme

- Global (classical, weak, renormalised) solutions
- Large-time behaviour: explicit exponential convergence

Entropy and Entropy Dissipation

Prototypical quadratic model: $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

Equilibrium state $\{a_{i\infty}\}_{i=1..4}$ is the unique vector of positive constants balancing the reaction rate

$$a_{1\infty} a_{3\infty} = a_{2\infty} a_{4\infty},$$

and satisfying the three (linear indep.) mass-conservation laws (homogeneous Neumann boundary conditions)

$$a_{1\infty} + a_{2\infty} = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} (a_{10} + a_{20}) dx,$$

$$a_{1\infty} + a_{4\infty} = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} (a_{10} + a_{40}) dx,$$

$$a_{2\infty} + a_{3\infty} = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} (a_{20} + a_{30}) dx.$$

The Entropy Method

Quantitative large-time behaviour

$E(f)$ non-increasing **convex** entropy functional

$D(f)$ entropy dissipation, f_∞ entropy minimising equilibrium

$$\frac{d}{dt}E(f) = \frac{d}{dt}(E(f) - E(f_\infty)) = -D(f) \leq 0$$

provided conservation laws: $D(f) = 0 \iff f = f_\infty$

$$D \geq \Phi(E(f) - E(f_\infty)), \quad \Phi(0) = 0, \quad \Phi \geq 0$$

\Rightarrow **explicit convergence in entropy**, exponential if $\Phi'(0) > 0$

\Rightarrow convergence in L_1 : $\|f - f_\infty\|_1^2 \leq C(E(f) - E(f_\infty))$

Csiszár-Kullback-Pinsker inequalities of convex entropies

The Entropy Method

My Personal Entropy Method Dictionary

- **Understanding** Entropy-Dissipation Structure \iff
Entropy Entropy-Dissipation (EDD) Estimate

$$D \geq \Phi(E(f) - E(f_\infty)), \quad \Phi(0) = 0, \quad \Phi \geq 0$$

- **Really** Understanding ED Structure \iff **Optimal**
Rate/Constant in EED Estimate
- Gradient flow structure?

Entropy Entropy-Dissipation Estimate

$$D \geq C (E - E_\infty)$$

Theorem:^a For any functions a_i , $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ measurable, non-negative, satisfying the conservation laws holds

$$D(a_i) \geq C(M_{ij})(E(a_i|a_{i,\infty})).$$

Proof: Additivity $E(a_i|a_{i,\infty}) = E(a_i|\bar{a}_i) + E(\bar{a}_i|a_{i,\infty})$

$$E(a_i|\bar{a}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_{\Omega} a_i \ln \left(\frac{a_i}{\bar{a}_i} \right) dx \leq L(\Omega) \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_{\Omega} |\nabla_x \sqrt{a_i}|^2 dx ,$$

+ Long long calculations + Conservation laws!

⇒ obtain Functional Inequality Not sharp!

^a [L. Desvillettes, K.F.]

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+ Gronwall argument + Csiszár-Kullback inequality

\Rightarrow explicit exponential convergence to equilibrium in L^1 .

As long a solutions exists?

Entropy A-priori Estimates

Entropy decay

The entropy decays

$$H(T) = H(0) - \int_0^T D(s) ds$$

with the entropy dissipation

$$D(a_i) = 4 \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_{\Omega} d_i |\nabla \sqrt{a_i}|^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} (a_1 a_2 - a_3 a_4) \ln \frac{a_1 a_2}{a_3 a_4} dx$$

Entropy A-priori Estimates

Entropy decay

$$H(T) : \left\{ a_i \in L^\infty([0, +\infty); L \log L(\Omega)) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, 4 \right.$$

$$\int_0^T D(s) : \left\{ \sqrt{a_i} \in L^2([0, +\infty); H^1(\Omega)) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, 4 : d_i > 0 \right.$$

in 1D: $\|a_i\|_{L^{3-\varepsilon}([0,T] \times [0,1])}^{3-\varepsilon} \leq C(1+T) + \text{parabolic bootstrap}$

$\Rightarrow \|a_i\|_{L^\infty([0,T] \times [0,1])} \leq C\left(1 + T^{\frac{21}{2}}\right) \Rightarrow \text{global classical solutions}$

in 2D: $a_i^2 \leq a_i e^{\frac{sa_i}{\|\sqrt{a_i}(t)\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2}} + \frac{a_i \|\sqrt{a_i}(t)\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2}{s} \ln(a_i^2)$ for $\ln(a_i) > 1$

Trudinger ineq. \Rightarrow **global L^2 bound:** $\|a_i\|_{L^2([0,T] \times \Omega)}^2 \leq C(1+T)$

\Rightarrow **global weak (super-)solutions** [M. Pierre 2003]^a

^a[Desvillettes F. Pierre Vovelle]

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in 3+D: $\|a_i\|_{L^{1+2/N}([0,T] \times \Omega)}^{1+2/N} \leq C(1+T)$

\Rightarrow renormalised solutions (in the sense of [DiPerna, Lions])^a

^a[Desvillettes F. Pierre Vovelle]

Duality Argument for Entropy Density

Entropy density equation: $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

Denote $z_i = a_i \ln(a_i) - a_i \Rightarrow H(a_i) = \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^4 z_i dx$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 z_i \right) - \Delta_x \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 d_i z_i \right) \leq 0, & t \in [0, T], x \in \Omega, \\ n \cdot \nabla_x z_i = 0, & t \in [0, T], x \in \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

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rewrite with $z := \sum_{i=1}^4 z_i$ and $M(t, x) := \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 d_i z_i}{z}$ as

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t z - \Delta_x [M z] \leq 0, & t \in [0, T], x \in \Omega, \\ n \cdot \nabla_x [M z] = 0, & t \in [0, T], x \in \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

coefficient M bounded by $\min\{d_i\} \leq M(t, x) \leq \max\{d_i\}$!

Duality Argument for Entropy Density

Entropy density equation: $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

Simplest case: $0 < d_0 \leq \min\{d_i\} \leq M(t, x) \leq \max\{d_i\} < \infty$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \left(\sum_{i=1}^k z_i \right) - \Delta_x \left(\sum_{i=1}^k d_i z_i \right) \leq 0, & t \in [0, T], x \in \Omega, \\ n \cdot \nabla_x z_i = 0, & t \in [0, T], x \in \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

uniform $L^2(\log L)^2$ bound + quadratic non-linearities

\Rightarrow uniform integrability of non-linearities

\Rightarrow convergence in $L^1(Q_T)$ of approximating sequence

\Rightarrow global L^2 -weak solutions in all space dimensions!

Duality Argument for Entropy Density

General systems $\partial_t a_i - \nabla_x \cdot (d_i \nabla_x a_i) = f_i(a)$

Quadratic Lotka-Volterra systems in \mathbb{R}^N : For $z \in (0, \infty)^q$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t a_i = d_i \Delta_x a_i + a_i \sum_{j=1}^q p_{ij} (a_j - z_j), & i = 1 \dots q \\ \nabla_x a_i \cdot n = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \partial\Omega, & a_i(0, \cdot) = a_{i,0}(\cdot) \in L^2(\Omega), \end{cases}$$

Then, there exists a **global weak solution** in $L^2(\Omega)$ in \mathbb{R}^N .

Improved Duality Argument

An improved duality argument

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a bounded domain with $\partial\Omega \in C^{2+\alpha}$. Let $T > 0$,

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u - \Delta_x (M(t, x)u) = 0 & \text{on } \Omega_T, \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) \in L^p(\Omega) & \text{for } x \in \Omega, \\ \nabla_x u \cdot \nu(x) = 0 & \text{on } [0, T] \times \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

with $0 < a \leq M(t, x) \leq b < +\infty$ for $(t, x) \in \Omega_T$.

Then, any weak solution u satisfies ($1/p + 1/p' = 1$)

$$\|u\|_{L^p(\Omega_T)} \leq (1 + b D_{a,b,p'}) T^{1/p} \|u_0\|_{L^p(\Omega)}, \quad p \in (2, +\infty),$$

where $D_{a,b,p'} := \frac{C_{\frac{a+b}{2}, p'}}{1 - C_{\frac{a+b}{2}, p'} \frac{b-a}{2}}$ as long as $C_{\frac{a+b}{2}, p'} \frac{b-a}{2} < 1$.^a

^a[Cañizo Desvillettes F., CPDE]

Summary

Results $\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4$

- 1D: global classical solutions based on entropy structure
 \approx alternative to theory of [Amann],... (more general)
explicit exponential decay (rates) in all Sobolev norms.
- 2D: global classical solutions [Goudon, Vasseur] [Cañizo
Desvillettes F.]
explicit exponential decay (rates) in L^2 .
- allD: global weak L^2 -solutions
explicit exponential decay (rates) in L^p , $1 \leq p < 2$.
Blow-up example [M. Pierre D. Schmidt]

Towards optimal constants/rates?

Nonlinear mass action law system $\alpha\mathcal{A} \leftrightarrow \beta\mathcal{B}$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t a - d_a \Delta a &= \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha & \alpha \\ \beta & -\beta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} l a^\alpha \\ k b^\beta \end{pmatrix} \\ \partial_t b - d_b \Delta b &= \end{aligned}$$

Linearisation around equilibrium $u = a - a_\infty$ and $v = b - b_\infty$

\Rightarrow Rescaled linearised system

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t u - d_a \Delta u &= \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha^2 & \alpha\beta \\ \alpha\beta & -\beta^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \\ \partial_t v - d_b \Delta v &= \end{aligned}$$

Fourier expansion $u = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u^k(t) \varphi_k$, $v = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^k(t) \varphi_k$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta \varphi_k = \lambda_k \varphi_k & \text{in } \Omega \\ n \cdot \nabla \varphi_k = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

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For any eigenmode $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} u^k \\ v^k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_a \lambda_k - \alpha^2 & \alpha\beta \\ \alpha\beta & d_b \lambda_k - \beta^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} u^k \\ v^k \end{pmatrix}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

a pair of eigenvalues μ_i , $i = 1, 2$ and eigenvectors e_i , $i = 1, 2$:

$$\mu_1(0) = 0, \quad \mu_2(0) = -(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) < 0,$$

$$\mu_1(k) = \frac{d_a + d_b}{2} \lambda_k - \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{(\lambda_k(d_b - d_a) + \alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2}{4} + \alpha^2 \beta^2} < 0,$$

$$\mu_2(k) = \frac{d_a + d_b}{2} \lambda_k - \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{(\lambda_k(d_b - d_a) + \alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2}{4} + \alpha^2 \beta^2} < 0,$$

We have $\mu_2(k) < \mu_1(k)$ and $\mu_1(k+1) < \mu_1(k)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

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Nonlinear mass action law system $\alpha\mathcal{A} \leftrightarrow \beta\mathcal{B}$

Two **dominant negative eigenvalues**

$$\mu_2(0) = -(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) < 0,$$

$$\mu_1(1) = \frac{d_a + d_b}{2} \lambda_k - \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{(\lambda_k(d_b - d_a) + \alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2}{4} + \alpha^2\beta^2},$$

Special case: $d_1 = d_2 = d \Rightarrow \mu_1(1) = d\lambda_k$.

Optimal rate of convergence depends on

$$|\mu_1(1)| > |\mu_2(0)| \Leftrightarrow \pi^2 > \frac{\alpha^2}{d_2} + \frac{\beta^2}{d_1}$$

Geometry + stoichiometric coefficients + diffusion rates

Towards optimal constants/rates?

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Optimal constant in Entropy Entropy-Dissipation Estimate^a

$$I = \min_{\substack{\beta\bar{u} + \alpha\bar{v} = 0, \\ u, v \in C^\infty}} \left\{ \frac{d_a \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 + d_b \int_{\Omega} |\nabla v|^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} (\alpha u - \beta v)^2 dx}{\int_{\Omega} u^2 + v^2} \right\}$$
$$= \min_{c^0=0} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |\mu_1(k)| (c^k)^2 + |\mu_2(k)| (d^k)^2}{\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (c^k)^2 + (d^k)^2} \right\} \geq \min\{|\mu_1(1)|, |\mu_2(0)|\}$$

Minimising functions are $\sim \varphi_0$ (“large diffusion”) and $\sim \varphi_1$ (“small diffusion”)!?

Conjecture: **nonlinear constants/minimisers are the same!**

^a[G. Pissante, E. Latos, K. F.]

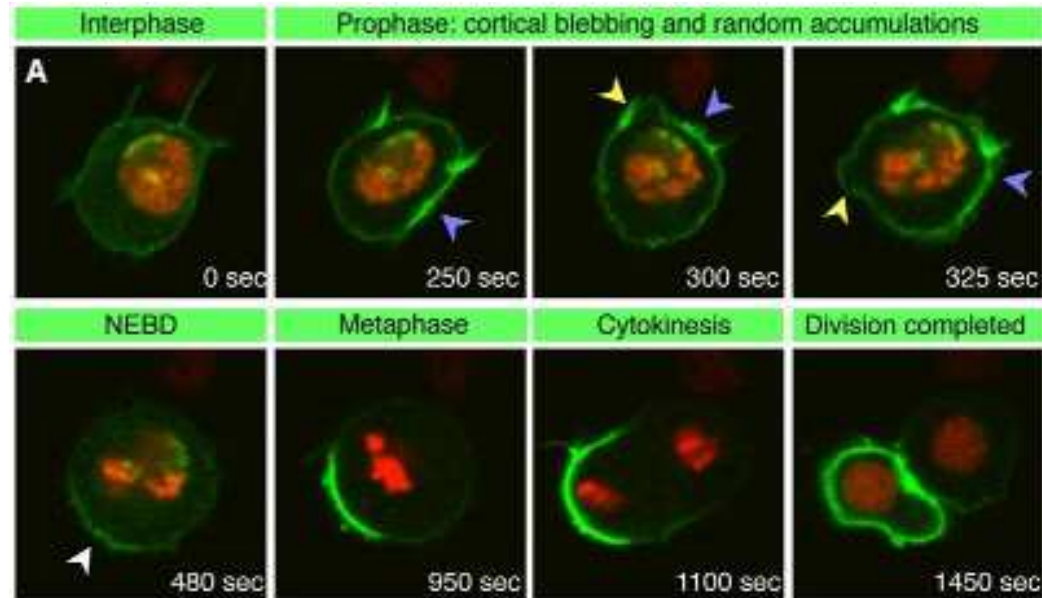
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 - Volume-Surface RD models

Motivation

Protein-localisation before asymmetric stem-cell division



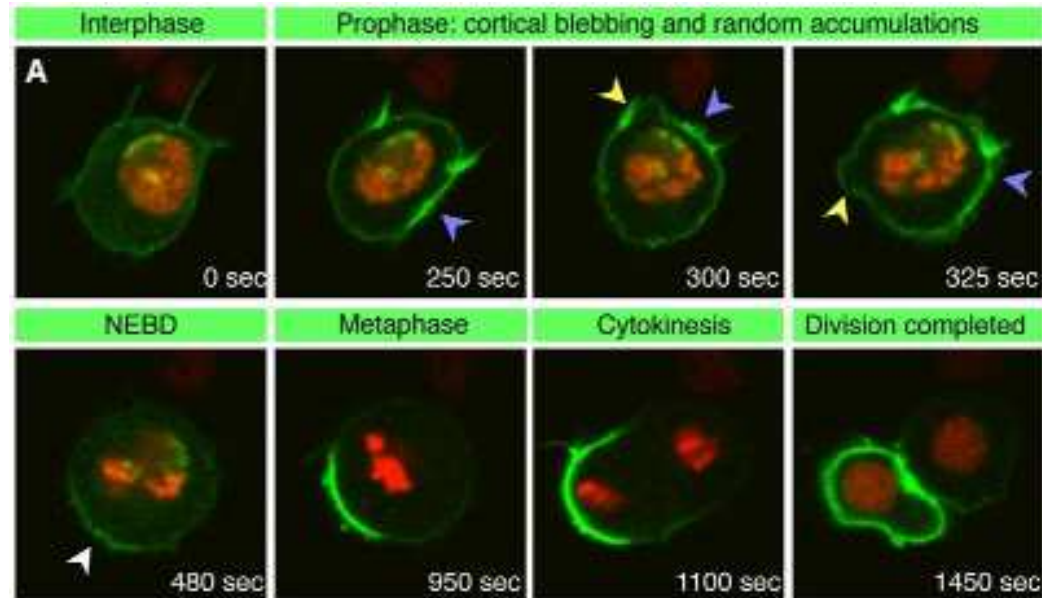
Asymmetric stem-cell division:

Cell-diversity by localisation of cell-fate determinants into one side of the cell cortex and into one of two daughter cells.^a

^aGFP-Pon in SOP precursor cells in living *Drosophila* larvae [Meyer, Emery, Berdnik, Wirtz-Peitz, Knoblich, *Current Biology*, 2005]

Motivation

Protein-localisation before asymmetric stem-cell division



Mathematical model:

- “high” concentrations, insignificant stochastic effects
- system of (reversible) reaction-diffusion equations
- volume(cytoplasm)-surface(membran) dynamics

Mixed Volume-Surface Reaction-Diffusion Systems

Model Assumptions and Quantities

Key protein **Lgl** in **cell cortex** and **cytoplasm**.

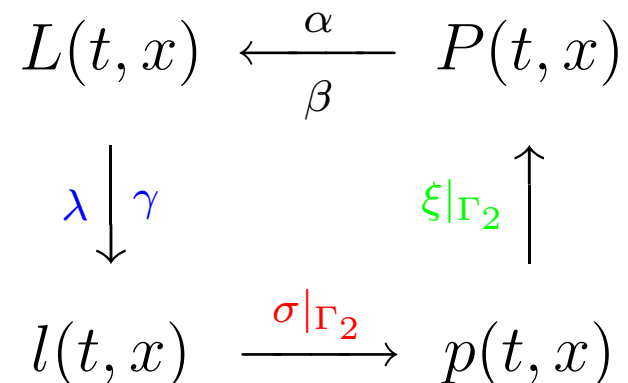
Kinase **aPKC** phosphorylates **Lgl** on a part Γ_2 of cell cortex.

$L(t, x)$: cytoplasmic concentration of Lgl

$l(t, x)$: cortical concentration of Lgl

$p(t, x)$: cortical phosphorylated Lgl

$P(t, x)$: cytoplasmic phosphorylated Lgl



Mixed Volume-Surface Reaction-Diffusion Systems

A prototypical model I

Volume equations with diffusion coefficients $d_L, d_P > 0$

$$(V) \quad \begin{cases} L_t - d_L \Delta L = \alpha P - \beta L, & x \in \Omega, t > 0, \\ P_t - d_P \Delta P = -\alpha P + \beta L, & x \in \Omega, t > 0, \\ L(0, x) = L_0(x), P(0, x) = P_0(x), & x \in \Omega \end{cases}$$

Boundary conditions on $\partial\Omega = \Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2$ and $\Gamma_1 \cap \Gamma_2 = \emptyset$

$$(BC) \quad \begin{cases} d_L \frac{\partial L}{\partial \nu} = \gamma l - \lambda L, & x \in \Gamma, t > 0, \\ d_P \frac{\partial P}{\partial \nu} = 0, & x \in \Gamma_1, t > 0, \\ d_P \frac{\partial P}{\partial \nu} = \xi p, & x \in \Gamma_2, t > 0, \end{cases}$$

Reaction rates $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda, \sigma, \xi$ are positive constants

Mixed Volume-Surface Reaction-Diffusion Systems

A prototypical model II

Boundary dynamics

$$(\text{BD}) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} l_t - d_l \Delta_{\Gamma} l = \lambda L - \gamma l - \sigma \chi_{\Gamma_2} l, & x \in \Gamma, t > 0 \\ p_t - d_p \Delta_{\Gamma_2} p = \sigma l - \xi p, & x \in \Gamma_2, t > 0, \\ d_p \frac{\partial p}{\partial \nu_{\Gamma_2}} = 0, & x \in \partial \Gamma_2, \\ l(0, x) = l_0(x), & x \in \Gamma, \\ p(0, x) = p_0(x), & x \in \Gamma_2, \end{array} \right.$$

Δ is the usual **Laplacian** in the domain Ω

Δ_{Γ} and Δ_{Γ_2} are **Laplace-Beltrami** operator on Γ and Γ_2

χ_{Γ_2} is the characteristic function of Γ_2

Mixed Volume-Surface Reaction-Diffusion Systems

Local well-posedness

Conservation law:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[\int_{\Omega} (L(t, x) + P(t, x)) + \int_{\Gamma} l(t, x) + \int_{\Gamma_2} p(t, x) \right] = 0$$

For a $T > 0$ there exists a **unique weak solution** L, P, l, p on $(0, T)$, which remains **nonnegative** if the initial data are so.

Proof: [Bao Quoc Tang, S. Rosenberger, K. F.]

- fix-point argument between (V),(BC) and (BD).
- local weak solutions of (V),(BC) and (BD)
- non-negativity of solutions of (V),(BC) and (BD)
- uniqueness

Mixed Volume-Surface Reaction-Diffusion Systems

Global existence

The unique solution (L, P, l, p) exists **globally**.

Proof: $H(t) = \frac{1}{2} (\|L(t)\|_{\Omega}^2 + \|P(t)\|_{\Omega}^2 + \|l(t)\|_{\Gamma}^2 + \|p(t)\|_{\Gamma_2}^2)$

$$\frac{dH}{dt} \leq \eta H$$

where $\eta = \max \left\{ d_L + \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}, d_P + \frac{\alpha+\beta}{2}, \frac{C_P(\lambda+\gamma)^2}{4d_L} + \frac{\sigma}{2}, \frac{C_P\xi^2}{4d_P} + \frac{\sigma}{2} \right\}$

- Convergence to **equilibrium** for all initial data and parameter?
- Problem: **Decaying entropy functional?**

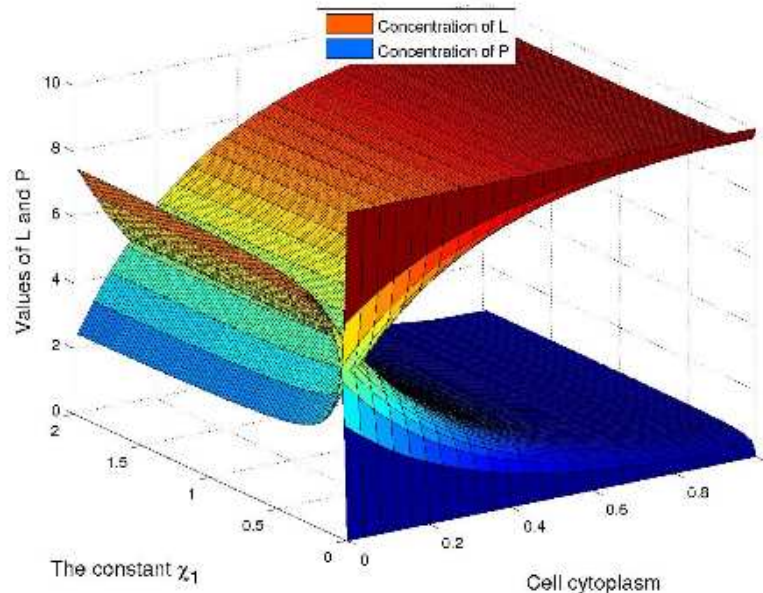
Simple 1D model

Equilibrium: Asymmetric Protein Localisation

1D Cell $x \in [0, 1]$, aPKC is located at $x = 0$.

\Rightarrow Explicit solution ($\beta = 0$): $\frac{l(\infty,1)}{l(\infty,0)} = 1 + a(1 + bh(g))$

with $a = \frac{\sigma}{\gamma}$, $b = \frac{\lambda}{d_L}$, $g^2 = \frac{\alpha}{d_P}$, $h(x) = \frac{(e^x - 1)^2}{x(e^{2x} - 1)}$,



Remark: ξ does not enter stationary state!

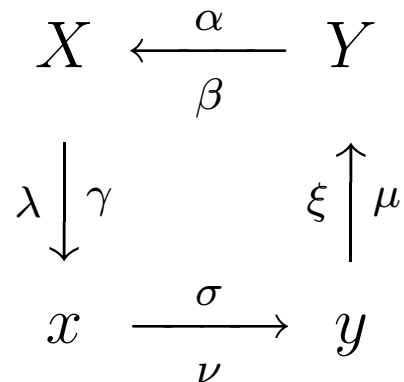
Systems of Reaction-Diffusion Equations

Convergence of Network of Reversible Linear Reactions

Deviation around the stationary state

$$X := L - L_\infty, \quad Y := P - P_\infty, \quad x := l - l_\infty, \quad y := p - p_\infty$$

Network of four linear reversible reactions: general structure



Conservation law

$$\int [X + Y + x + y] = 0, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

Systems of Reaction-Diffusion Equations

Detailed balance vs. complex kinetics

Then, the **detailed balance condition** $\frac{\alpha\lambda\sigma\xi}{\beta\mu\nu\gamma} = 1$ is sufficient (and necessary?) for a **convex entropy** of the form:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int [\Phi_1(X) + \Phi_2(Y) + \Phi_3(x) + \Phi_4(y)] \leq 0.$$

- **Incompatibility of diffusion and reaction eigen-structure.**
- RD-systems allow potentially for **oscillations** ([BZ]).
- From numerics: Decaying entropy after **transient phase**?

Systems of Reaction-Diffusion Equations

Network of Reversible Linear Reactions

Closed system of reactions between n substances:



Concentrations $U = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n]^T$, $D = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$

$$\begin{cases} U_t = D\Delta U + RU, \\ \frac{\partial U}{\partial \nu} = 0, \quad U(0) = [u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}, \dots, u_{n,0}]^T \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

$$a_{ii} = - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n a_{ij}, \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Convergence to the unique equilibrium?

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji} u_{i,\infty} = 0, & i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \\ |\Omega| \sum_{i=1}^n u_{i,\infty} = M > 0 \end{cases}$$

Exists a **quadratic entropy** $E[U](t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \int_{\Omega} |u_i(t, x)|^2 dx,$

for a multiplier $B = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$ with $\alpha_i > 0$ to get

$$D[U](t) = -\frac{dE}{dt} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i d_i \|\nabla u_i\|^2 - U^T B R U \geq 0 ?$$

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Algebra Theorem: Assume that $R = (a_{ij})_{i,j=1}^n$ such that

- (i) $a_{ij} \geq 0$, $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$,
- (ii) $\sum_{i=1}^n a_{ji} = 0$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$,
- (iii) $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ji}^2 \times \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}^2 \neq 0$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Then, the matrix BR , where $B = \text{diag}(1/\rho_{11}, 1/\rho_{22}, \dots, 1/\rho_{nn})$, is **negative semi-definite**, ρ_{ij} are **some co-factors**.

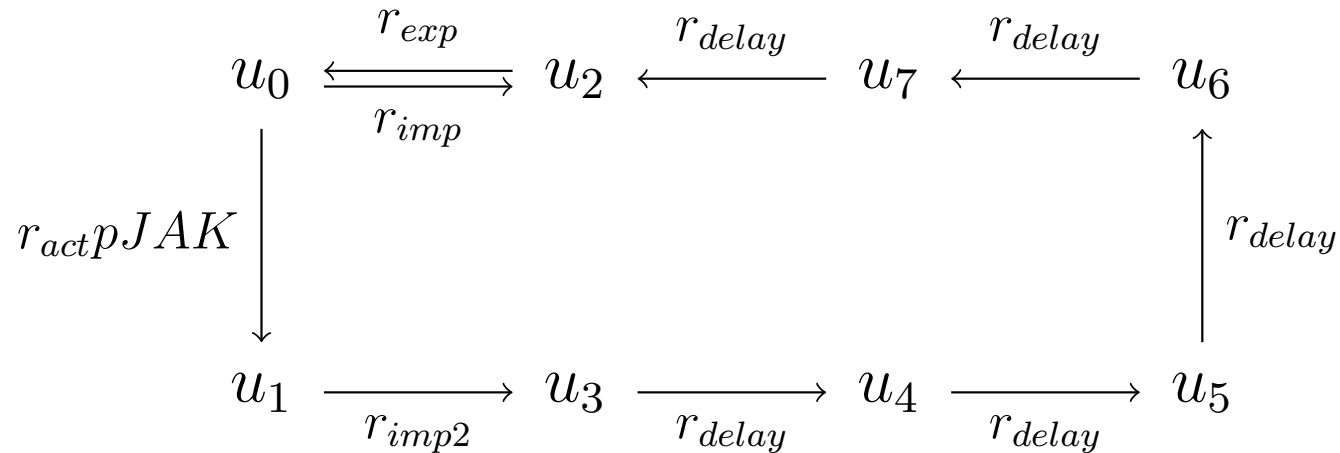
BR has n eigenvalues $0 = \lambda_1 > \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \geq \dots \lambda_n$.

Interpretation: B transforms to relative entropy!

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Friedmann-Neumann-Rannacher model^a



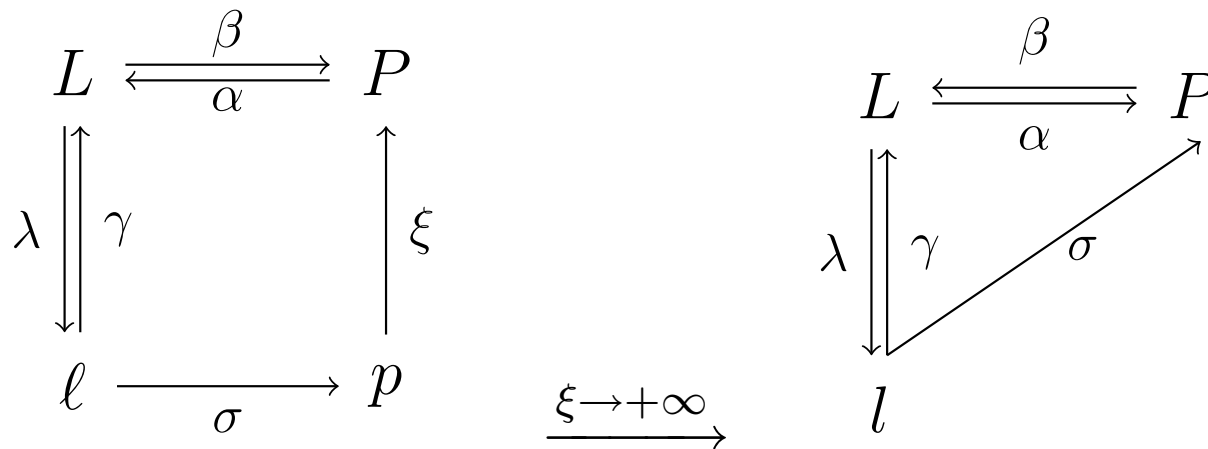
Yes, if assume that **reactions occur only within one domain**

^aE. Friedmann, R. Neumann, R. Rannacher, *Well-posedness of a linear spatio-temporal model of the JAK2/STAT5 signaling pathway*, Comm. Math. Anal. 15 (2013) 76-102.

Quasi-steady-state approximation

QSSA as $\xi \rightarrow +\infty$

Fast expulsion limit $\xi \rightarrow +\infty$:



Convergence towards reduced QSSA^a

Proof: ideas from duality method and entropy dissipation.

^a[T.Q.Bao, K.F., S. Rosenberger]

Nonlinear Boundary Model

Toy model system

Volume-concentrations $u(x, t)$, Surface-concentration $v(x, t)$

Nonlinear Robin-type boundary condition and matching
reversible reaction source term on $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$

$$\text{(NBV)} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} u_t - \delta_u \Delta u = 0, & x \in \Omega, t \geq 0, \\ \delta_u \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = -\alpha(k_u u^\alpha - k_v v^\beta), & x \in \Gamma, t \geq 0, \\ v_t - \delta_v \Delta_\Gamma v = \beta(k_u u^\alpha - k_v v^\beta), & x \in \Gamma, t \geq 0, \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) \geq 0, & x \in \Omega, \\ v(0, x) = v_0(x) \geq 0, & x \in \Gamma \end{array} \right.$$

Stoichiometric coefficients $\alpha, \beta \in [1, +\infty)$

Reaction rates $k_u(t, x), k_v(t, x)$

Nonlinear Boundary Model

Model properties

Mass conservation law

$$M = \beta \int_{\Omega} u(t, x) dx + \alpha \int_{\Gamma} v(t, x) dS, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

The unique equilibrium (u_{∞}, v_{∞}) balances the reaction,

$$u_{\infty}^{\alpha} = v_{\infty}^{\beta},$$

and satisfies the mass conservation

$$\beta|\Omega|u_{\infty} + \alpha|\Gamma|v_{\infty} = M.$$

Uniqueness from **monotonicity** of $u_{\infty}^{\alpha} = \left(\frac{M}{\alpha|\Gamma|} - \frac{\beta|\Omega|}{\alpha|\Gamma|} u_{\infty} \right)^{\beta}$

Exponential Convergence to Equilibrium

Entropy and entropy dissipation

Entropy functional:

$$E(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} u(\log u - 1) dx + \int_{\Gamma} v(\log v - 1) dS$$

Entropy dissipation:

$$\begin{aligned} D(u, v) &= -\frac{d}{dt} E(u, v) \\ &= \delta_u \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u} dx + \delta_v \int_{\Gamma} \frac{|\nabla_{\Gamma} v|^2}{v} dS \\ &\quad + \int_{\Gamma} (v^{\beta} - u^{\alpha}) \log \frac{v^{\beta}}{u^{\alpha}} dS \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Two cases: non-degenerate $\delta_v > 0$ and degenerate $\delta_v = 0$.

Exponential Convergence to Equilibrium

Explicit exponential convergence to equilibrium

Theorem:

Assume $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ with smooth boundary $\Gamma = \partial\Omega$.

Assume initial data $(u_0, v_0) \in L^\infty(\Omega) \times L^\infty(\Gamma)$.

Then, the global bounded solution (u, v) satisfies the following
exponential convergence to equilibrium

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(t) - u_\infty\|_{L^1(\Omega)}^2 + \|v(t) - v_\infty\|_{L^1(\Gamma)}^2 \leq \\ C_1 e^{-C_0 t} (E(u_0, v_0) - E(u_\infty, v_\infty)), \end{aligned}$$

where the constants $C_0 > 0, C_1 > 0$ depending on α, β, Ω and the initial mass $M = \beta \int_\Omega u_0 dx + \alpha \int_\Gamma v_0 dS$.

Exponential Convergence to Equilibrium

Entropy entropy dissipation estimate

For all functions $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ and $v : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ satisfying mass conservation

$$\beta \int_{\Omega} u \, dx + \alpha \int_{\Gamma} v \, dS = M,$$

there exists $C_0 > 0$ such that

$$D(u, v) \geq C_0 (E(u, v) - E(u_{\infty}, v_{\infty}))$$

Proof for two cases:

non-degenerate boundary diffusion $\delta_v > 0$

degenerate boundary diffusion $\delta_v = 0$: need L^{∞} -bounds

Conclusions and Open Problems

Towards **bright sun** and **white snow** for RD models

- Good existence theory in 2D for quadratic nonlinearities
- Higher dimensions?
- Algebraic Structure of Networks
- How to combine entropy and duality method?

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