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Physics towards cell dynamics

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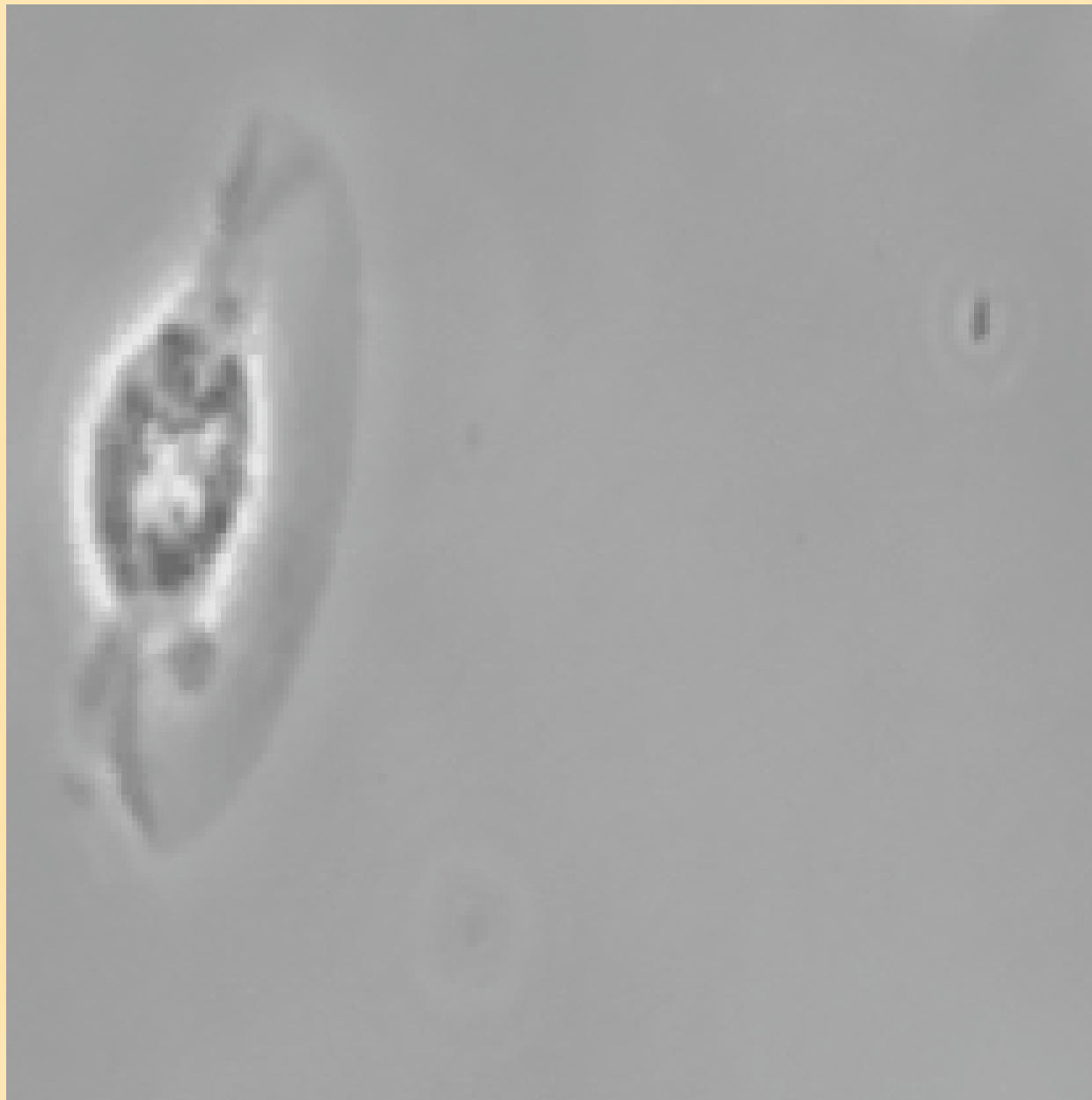


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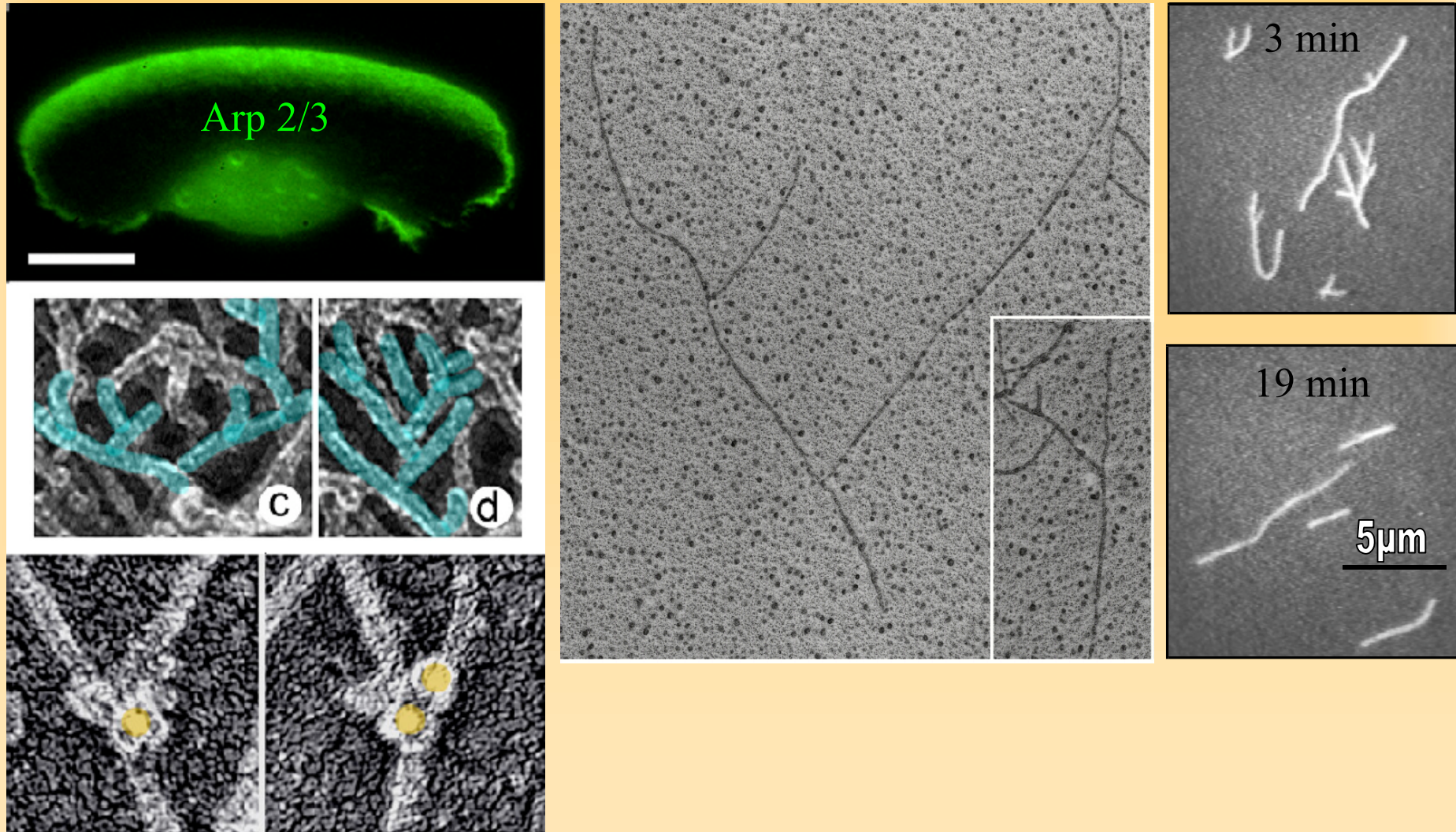


Physics “towards” cell dynamics

- K. Kruse
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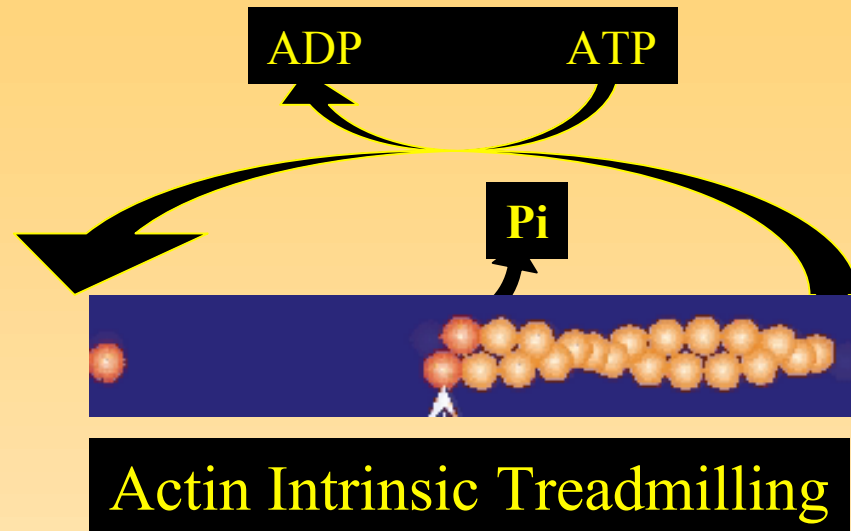


Filament branching array in lamellipodia

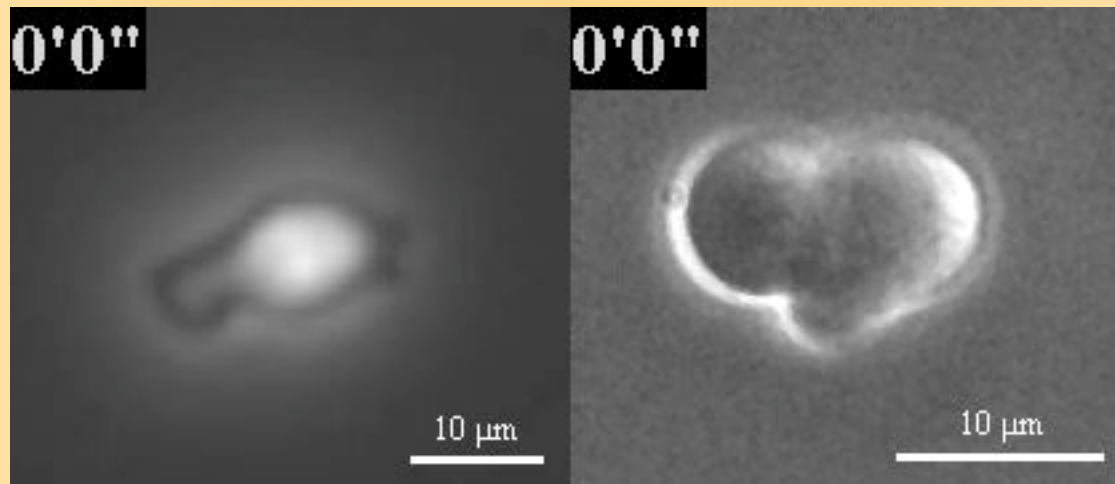


(T. Svitkina and G.G. Borisy, 1999; Blanchoin et al.; Pantaloni et al., 2000, Ishiwata et al 2000)

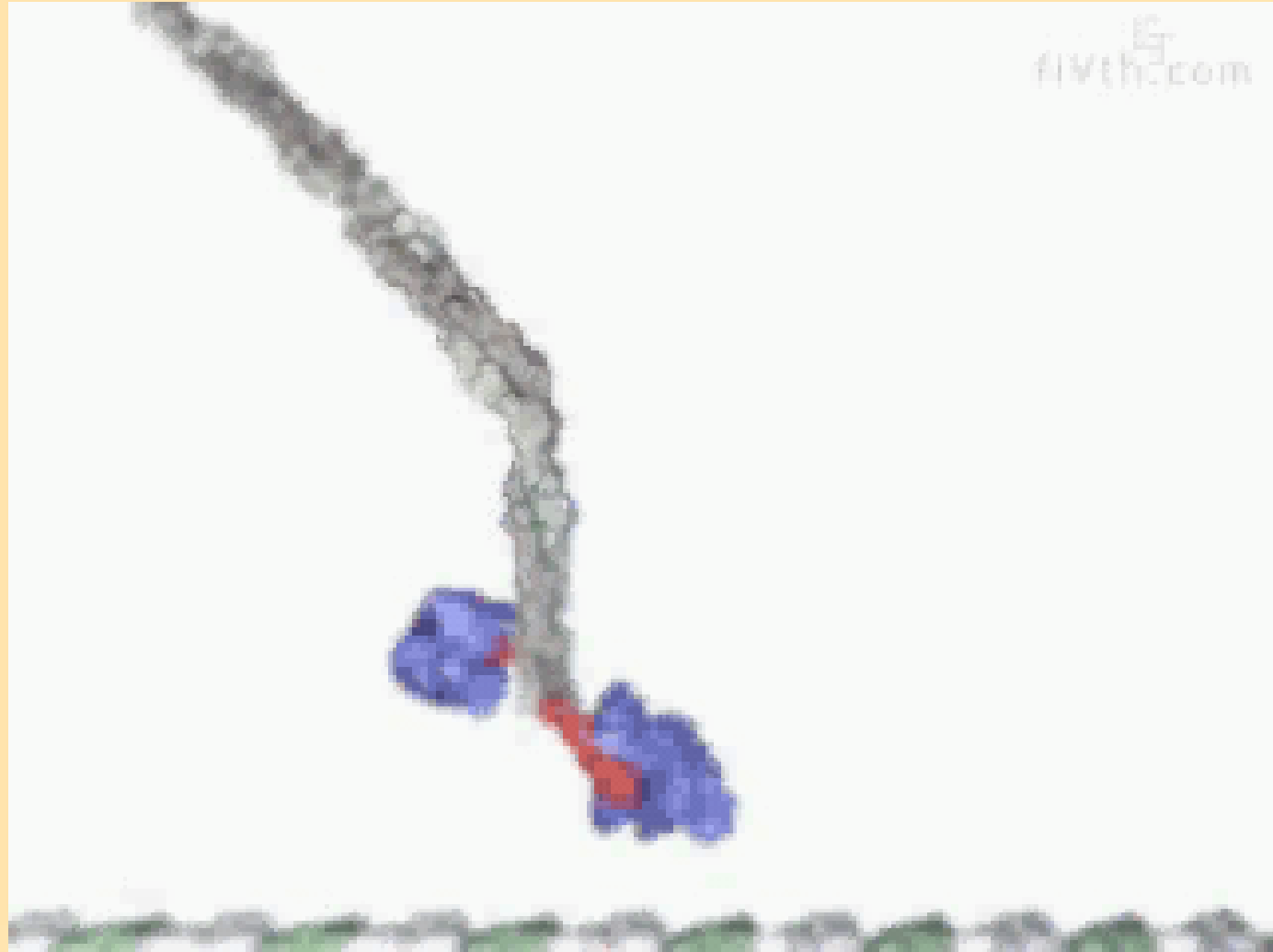
Actin-based motility



Fibroblast Fragments
Depolymerized Microtubules

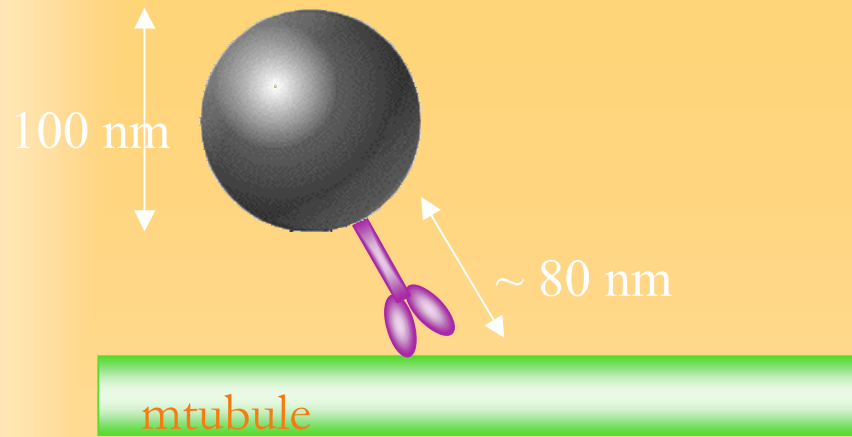


E. Paluch et al, E.480
Bornens et al, 1988



R. Vale

Kinesin in vitro



- 1) Speed: ~ 500 nm/sec
- 2) Force: few pN

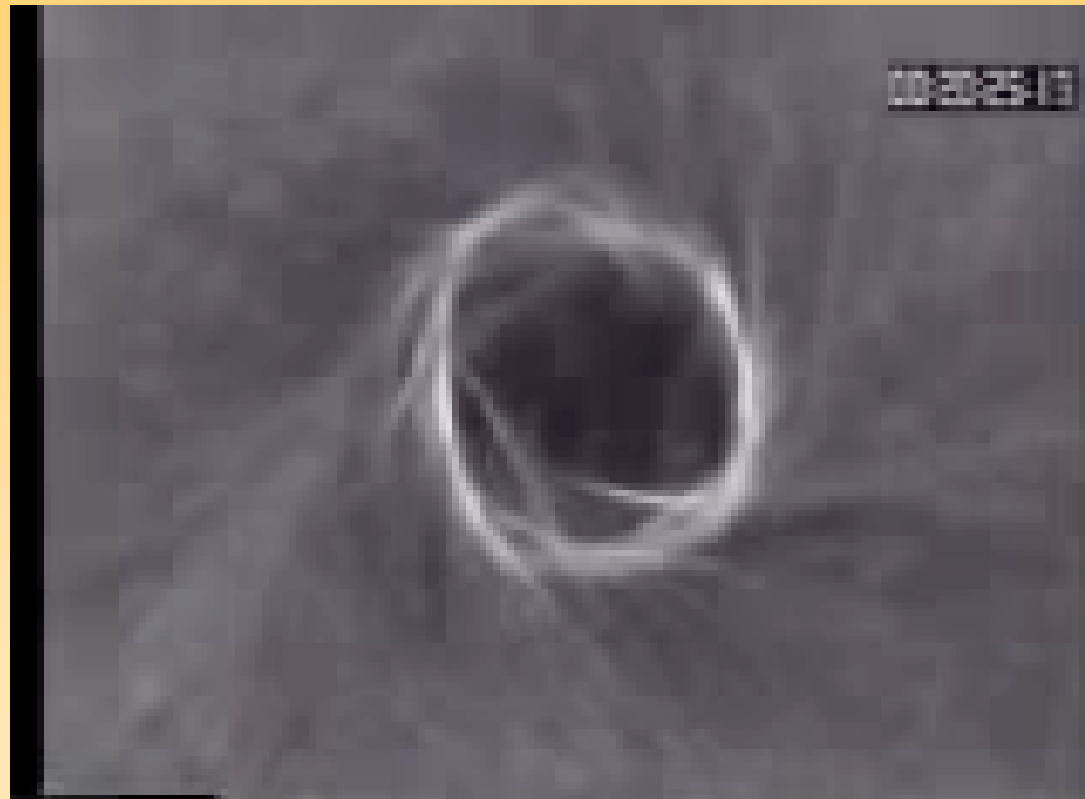


MITOSIS

Cell division in the Chinese
Hamster Ovary (CHO) cell

EXPERIMENT

(François Nedelec et al)



Conserved quantities, Broken symmetries

- Actin (monomer+polymer)
- Myosin (bound, unbound)
- Momentum (force)
- Polarization

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla(\mathbf{v}\rho) = -k_d\rho + k_p\delta_S$$

Conservation laws

$$\frac{\partial \rho^{(a)}}{\partial t} + \nabla \mathbf{j}^{(a)} = k_d\rho - k_p\delta_S$$

$$\frac{\partial c^{(m)}}{\partial t} + \nabla \mathbf{j}^{(m)} = k_{\text{off}}c^{(m)} - k_{\text{on}}\rho(c^{(m)})^n$$

$$\frac{\partial c^{(b)}}{\partial t} + \nabla c^{(b)}\mathbf{v} + \nabla \mathbf{j}^{(b)} = -k_{\text{off}}c^{(b)} + k_{\text{on}}\rho(c^{(m)})^n$$

$$\partial_\alpha(\sigma_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{tot}} - \Pi\delta_{\alpha\beta}) + f_\beta^{\text{ext}} = 0$$

Dissipative

$$j_{\alpha}^{(a)} = -D^{(a)} \partial_{\alpha} \rho^{(a)}$$

$$j_{\alpha}^{(m)} = -D^{(m)} \partial_{\alpha} c^{(m)}$$

$$j_{\alpha}^{(b)} = -D^{(b)} \partial_{\alpha} c^{(b)} + \lambda p_{\alpha} \Delta \mu$$

$$J_{\rho} = \rho v$$

Reactive

flux \leftrightarrow force

$$\sigma_{\alpha\beta} \leftrightarrow u_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$P_\alpha \leftrightarrow h_\alpha$$

$$r \leftrightarrow \Delta\mu$$

$$j_\alpha^{(i)} \leftrightarrow \partial_\alpha \mu^{(i)}$$

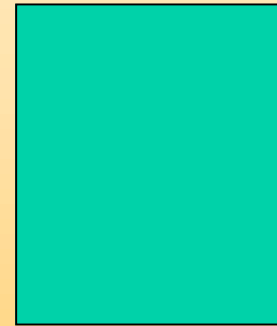
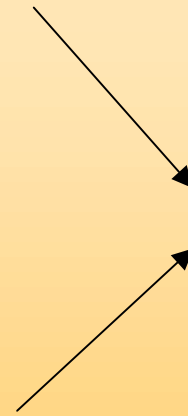
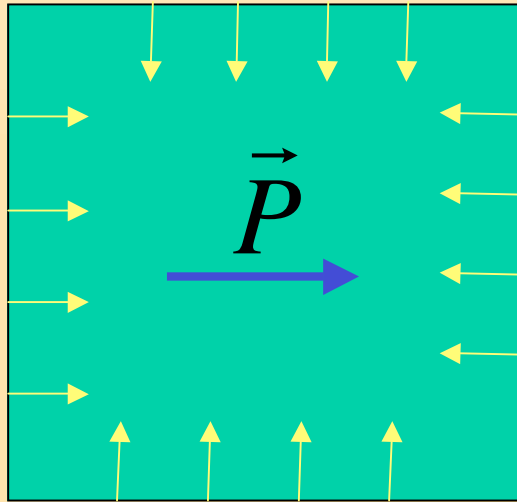
$$h_\alpha = -\frac{\delta F}{\delta p_\alpha}$$

$$P_\alpha = \frac{D}{Dt} p_\alpha = \frac{\partial p_\alpha}{\partial t} + (v_\gamma \partial_\gamma) p_\alpha + \omega_{\alpha\beta} p_\beta$$

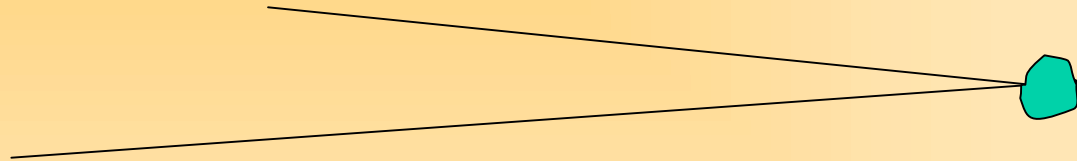
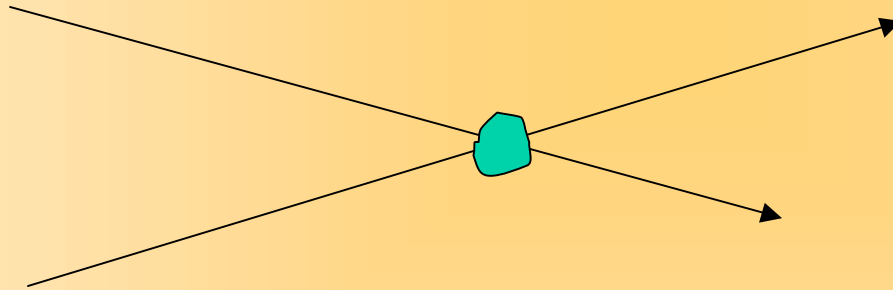
$$2\eta u_{\alpha\beta} = \left\{ \sigma_{\alpha\beta} + \zeta \Delta\mu p_{\alpha} p_{\beta} + \zeta' \Delta\mu p_{\gamma} p_{\gamma} \delta_{\alpha\beta} + \bar{\zeta} \Delta\mu \delta_{\alpha\beta} + \dots \right\}$$

$$\frac{Dp_{\alpha}}{Dt} = - \left(\frac{1}{\gamma_1} h_{\alpha} + \lambda_1 p_{\alpha} \Delta\mu \right)$$

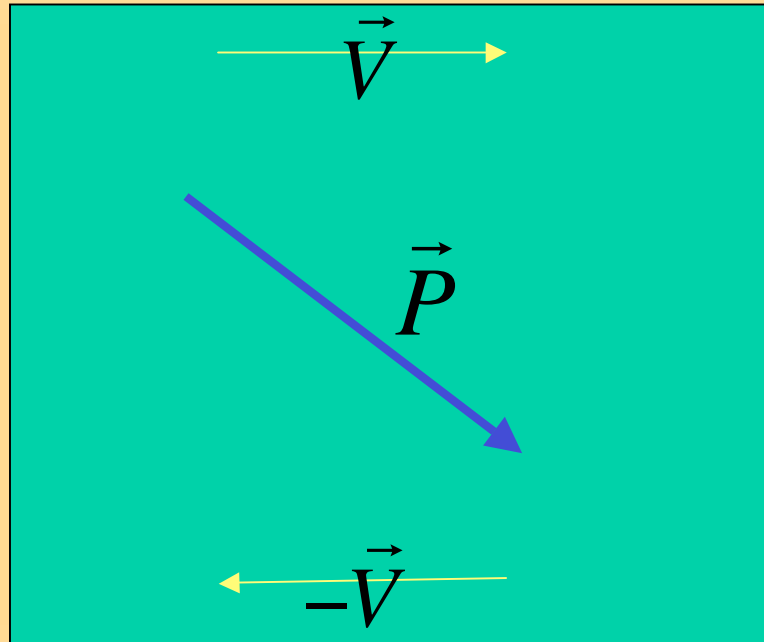
$$r = \zeta p_{\alpha} p_{\beta} u_{\alpha\beta} + \bar{\zeta} u_{\alpha\alpha} + \zeta' p_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} u_{\beta\beta} + \Lambda \Delta\mu + \lambda_1 p_{\alpha} h_{\alpha} \quad .$$



K. Takiguchi, 1991

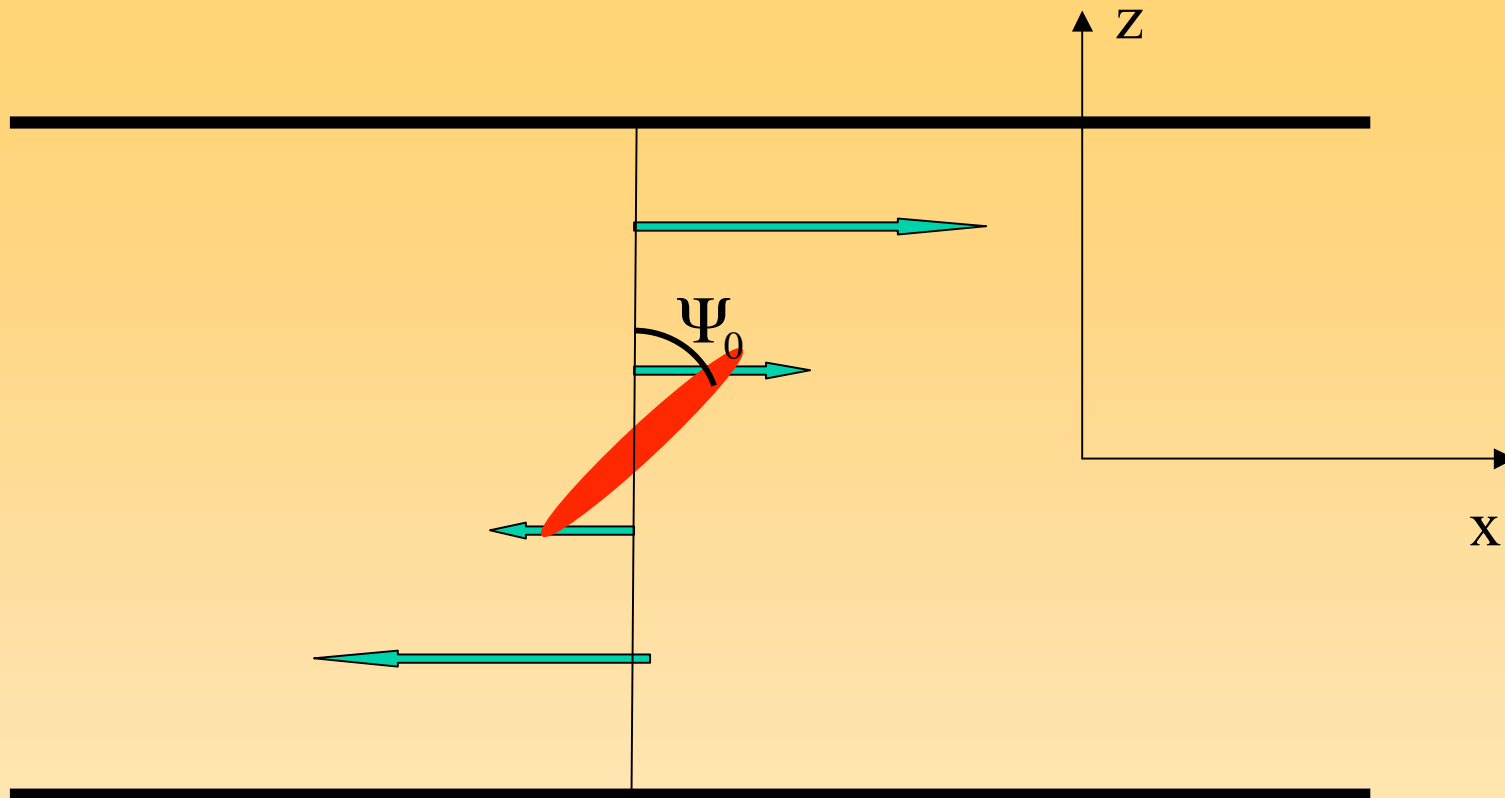


F. Nedelec et al 1997, K. Kruse, F. Jülicher, 2000, T. Liverpool, C. Marchetti 2002, I. Aranson 2005, B. Mulder et al 2005



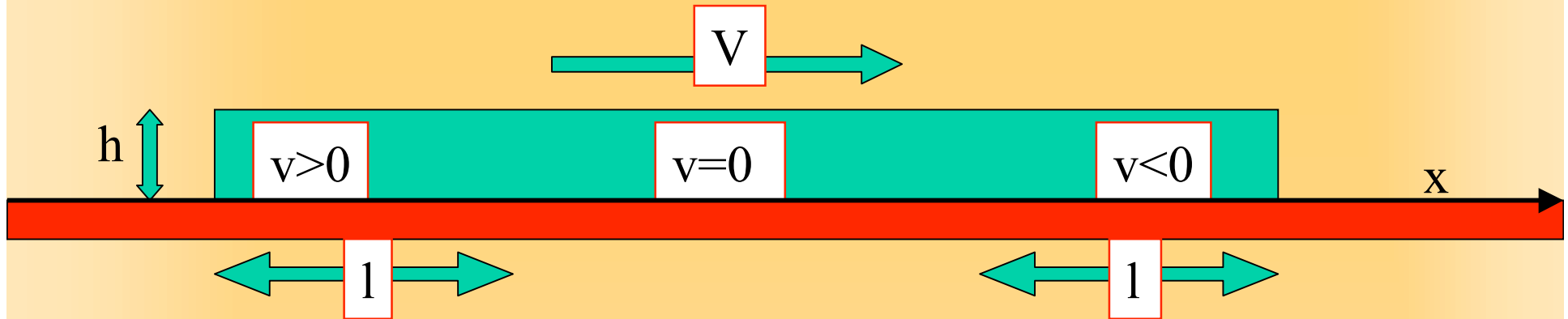
$$2\eta u_{\alpha\beta} = \dots + \zeta \Delta \mu p_{\alpha} p_{\beta} + \dots$$

Nematic Hydrodynamics



$$\frac{Dp_\alpha}{Dt} = \dots + \omega_{\alpha\beta} p_\beta + \dots = \dots + \nu_1 u_{\alpha\beta} p_\beta + \dots$$
$$\cos(2\Psi_0) = 1/\nu_1$$

Thin slab



$$2\eta \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \sigma + \zeta \Delta \mu$$

$$\frac{\partial h \sigma}{\partial x} = \xi v$$

$$l^2 = 2\eta h / \xi$$

$$v_o = |\zeta \Delta \mu| l / 2\eta$$

$$\tau_o = 2\eta / |\zeta \Delta \mu|$$

$$V = (V_p + V_{dp}) / 2$$

Ramaswamy propagating mode

$$\frac{\partial c_b}{\partial t} + v_0 \frac{\partial c_b}{\partial x} = -k_{off} c_b + k_{on} c_{ub}$$

$$\frac{\partial c_{ub}}{\partial t} = +k_{off} c_b - k_{on} c_{ub}$$

$$\frac{\partial (c_b + c_{ub})}{\partial t} + v_0 \frac{\partial c_b}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$c_{ub} \approx c_b \frac{k_{off}}{k_{on}}$$

$$\frac{\partial c_b}{\partial t} + \bar{v}_0 \frac{\partial c_b}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\bar{v}_0 = v_0 / (1 + k_{off} / k_{on})$$

M.G. Vicker 2002,
T. Bretschneider et al 2004,
G. Giannone et al 2004

Lamellipodium shape and motion?

$$\mathbf{v}^P = \mathbf{n}k_p\rho_{wa}(x)$$

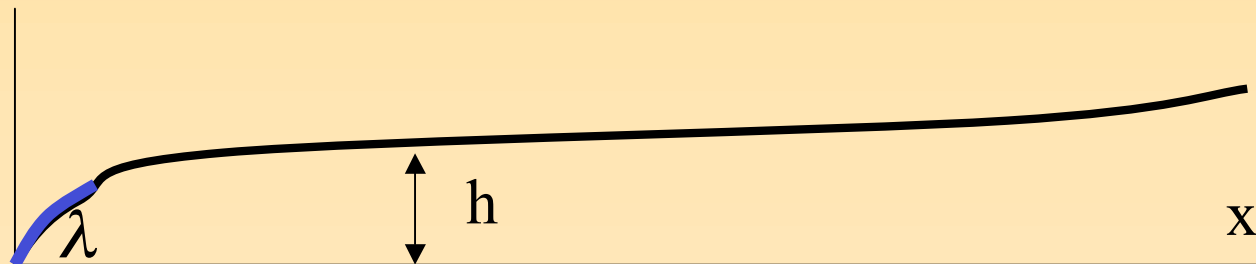
$$\rho_{wa}(x) = \rho_{wa}^0 \exp(-x/\lambda)$$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{4\eta} \left(\frac{F}{h} + \zeta\Delta\mu \right)$$

$$\frac{dF}{dx} = \xi v$$

$$h(x) = \frac{k_p}{u + v(x)} \int_0^x dx' \rho_{wa}(x')$$

$$\lambda \ll d$$



$$u \simeq \left[v_d + |\zeta \Delta \mu| \left(\frac{h_0}{4\eta\xi} \right)^{1/2} \right] / \left[1 + \frac{\xi_{cb} L_{cb}}{(4\eta\xi h_0)^{1/2}} \right]$$

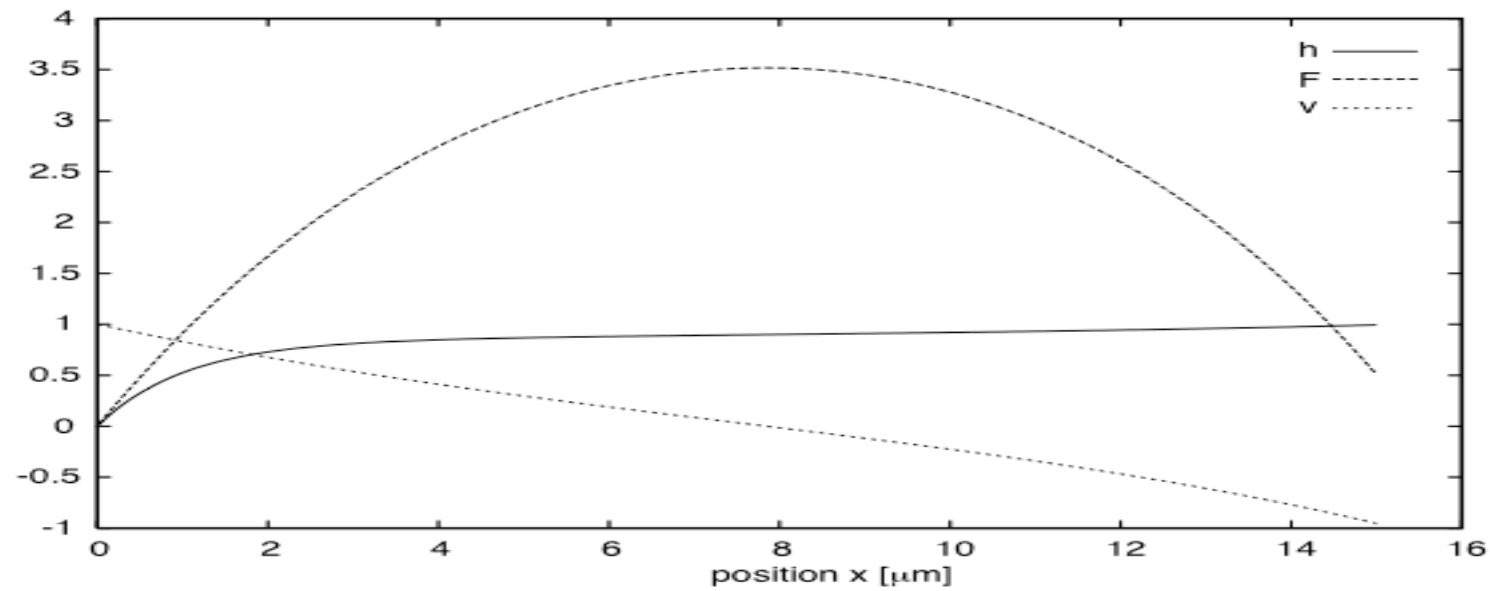
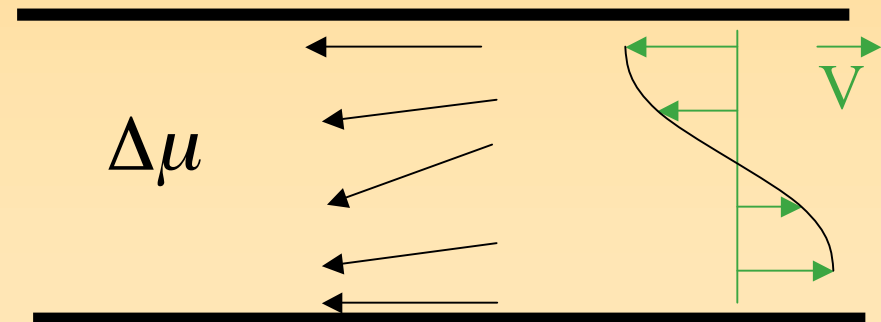
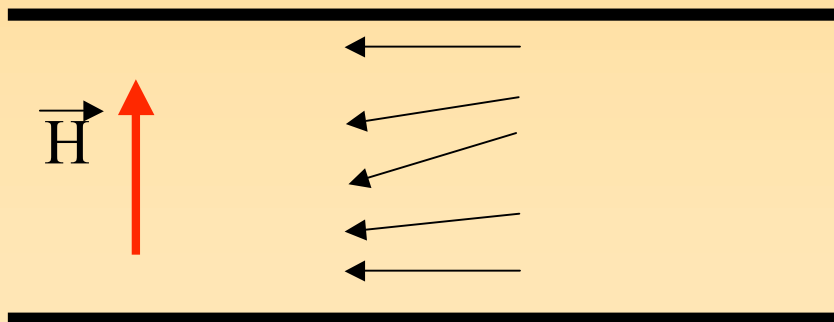
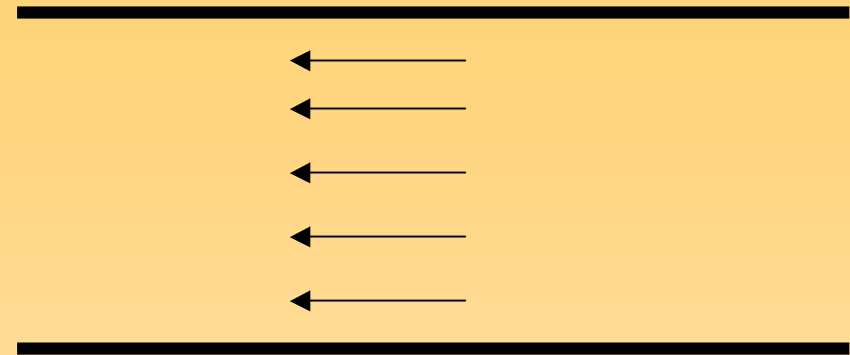
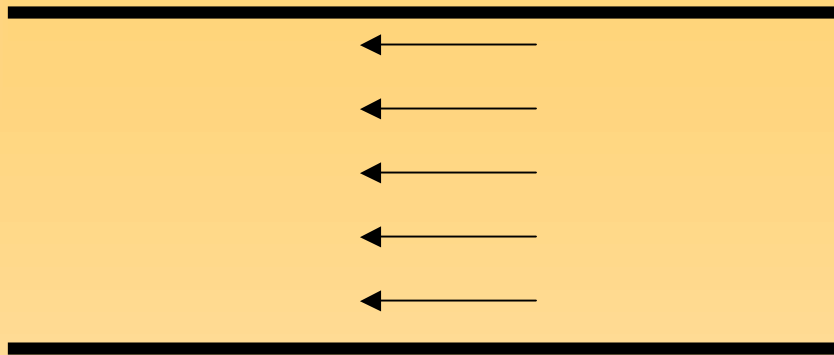


Fig. 1 (Kruse et al.)

Spontaneous Frederiks transition

R. Voituriez



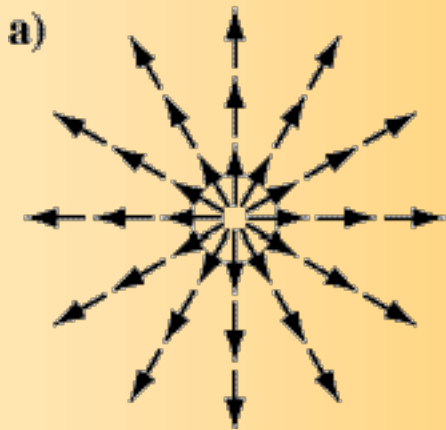
$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} = \frac{K}{\gamma_1} \frac{\partial^2 \alpha}{\partial z^2} + (1 + \nu_1) u_{zx}$$

$$2\tilde{\eta} u_{zx} \approx \sigma_{zx} - \tilde{\xi} \Delta \mu \sin(2\alpha) + \nu_1 K \frac{\partial^2 \alpha}{\partial z^2}$$

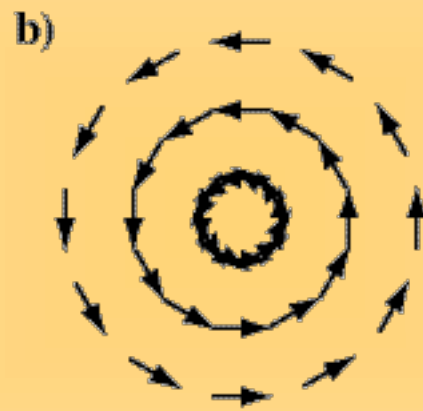
$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t} = \frac{K}{\tilde{\gamma}_1} \frac{\partial^2 \alpha}{\partial z^2} - \Delta \mu \tilde{\xi} \alpha$$

$$(\Delta \mu \tilde{\xi})_c = K \left(\frac{\pi}{D} \right)^2$$

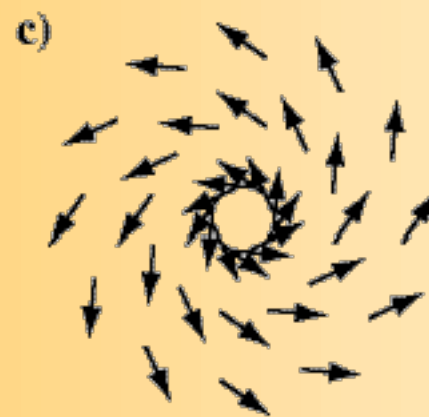
$$F = \int d^2x \left[\frac{K}{2} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P})^2 + \frac{K + \delta K}{2} (\mathbf{P} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{P})^2 + k \nabla \cdot \mathbf{P} - h_{\parallel} \mathbf{P}^2 \right]$$



$$\delta K > 0$$

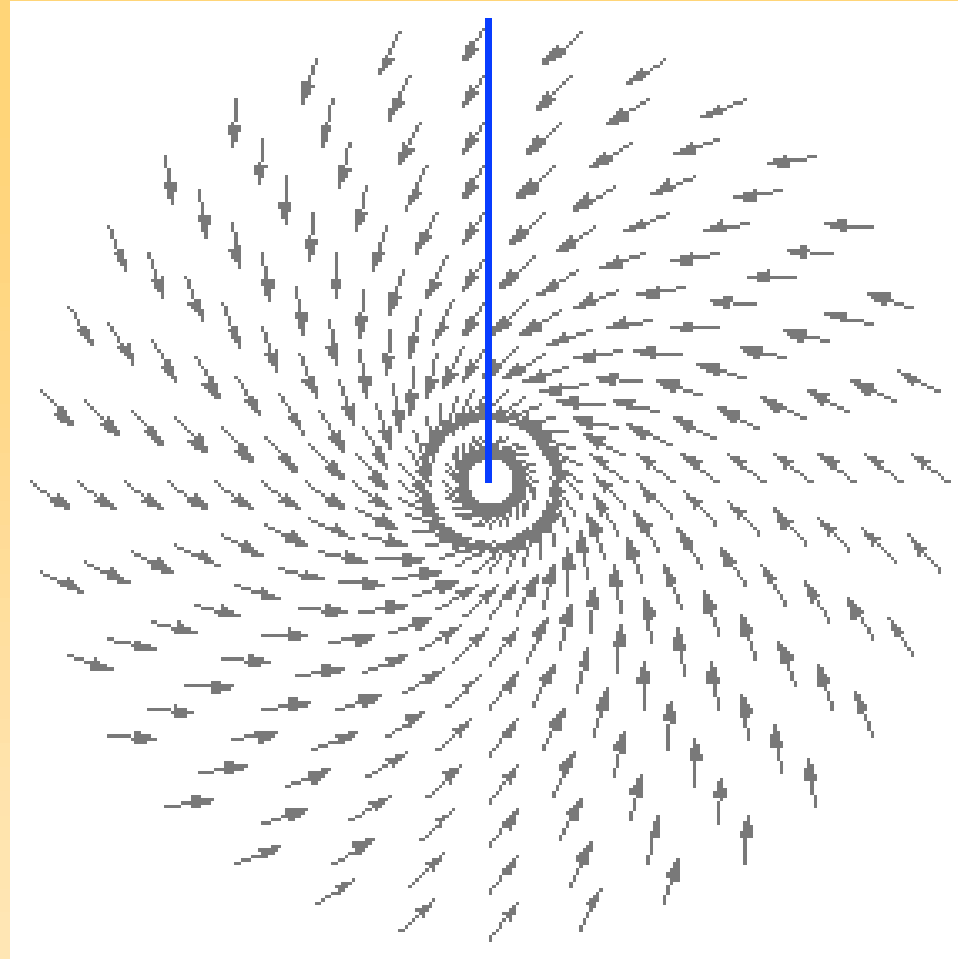


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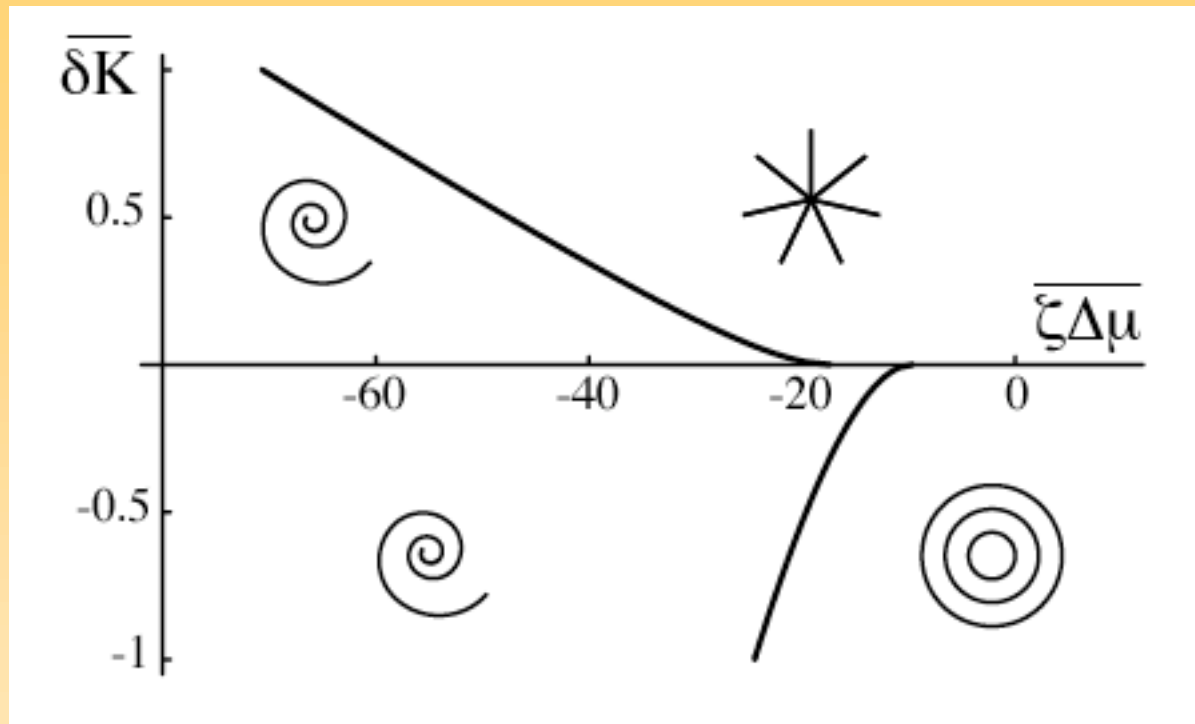
$$\delta K = 0$$

Spontaneously moving topological singularity



$$v_{\theta}(r) = \omega_0 r \log(r/r_0), \quad \omega_0 = \frac{2 \sin 2\psi_0}{4\eta + \gamma_1 \nu_1^2 \sin^2 2\psi_0} \tilde{\zeta} \Delta\mu$$

State Diagram



$$\bar{\delta K} = \delta K / K$$

$$\bar{\xi \Delta \mu} = R^2 \tilde{\xi \Delta \mu} / K$$

Substrate Friction

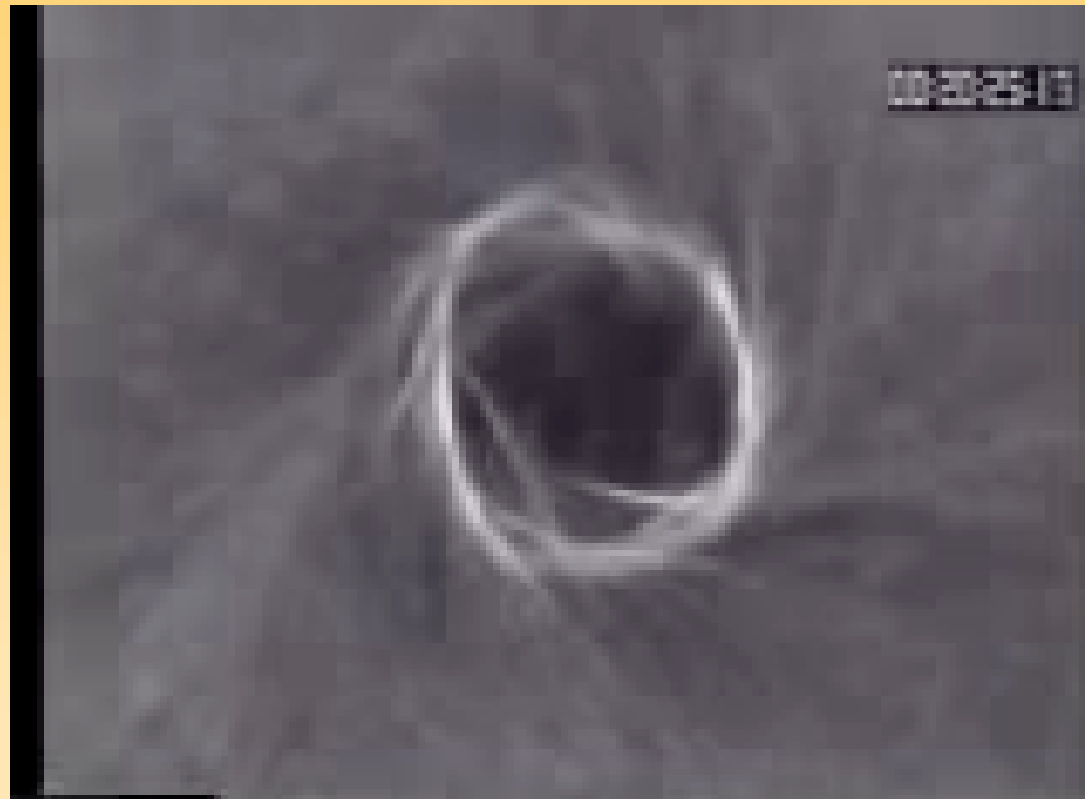
$$\partial_{\alpha}(\sigma_{\alpha\beta} - P\delta_{\alpha\beta}) = \xi v_{\beta}$$

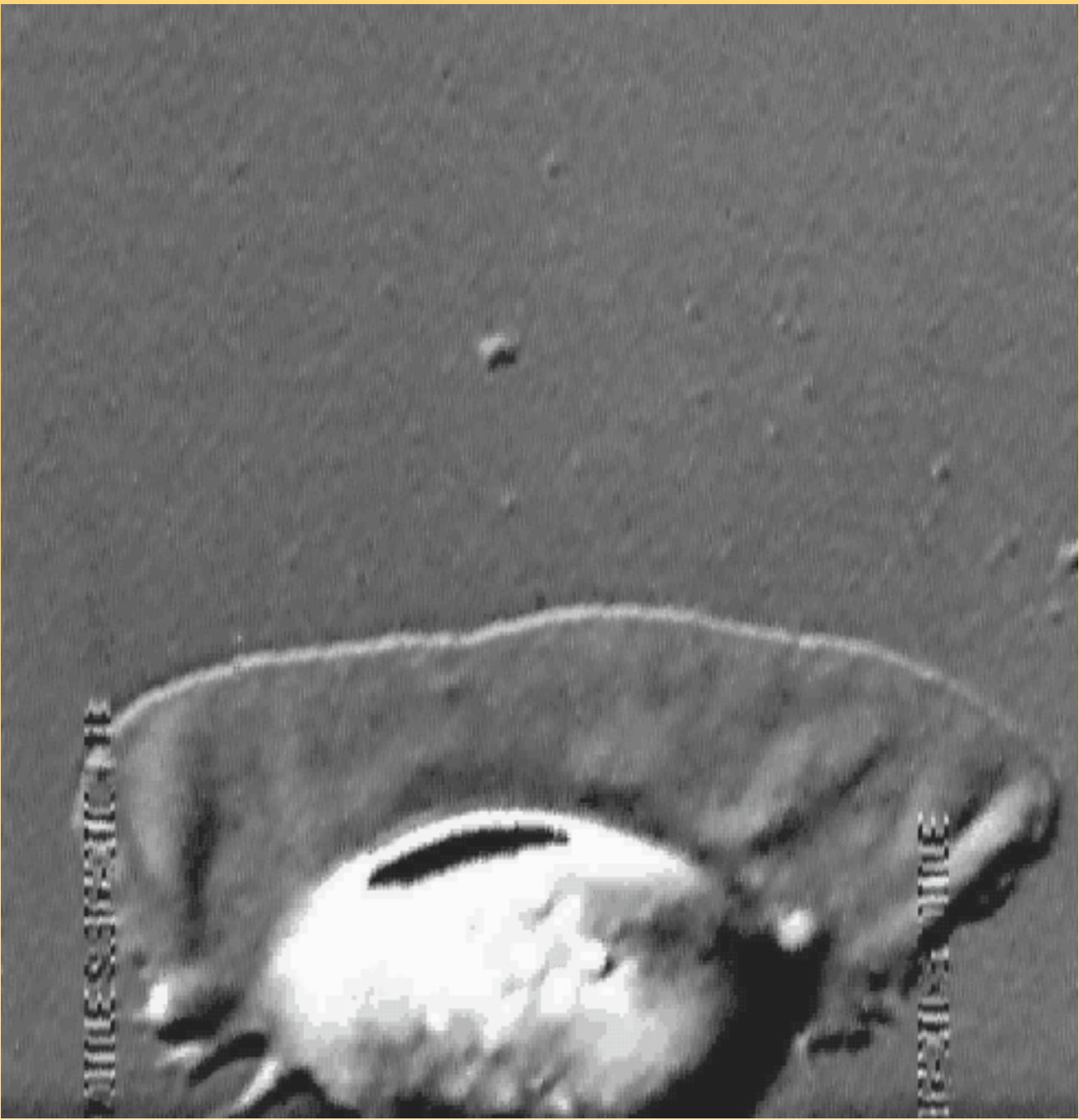
$$\lambda_f = (4\eta + \gamma_1 v_1 \sin^2 2\psi_0)^{1/2} / 2\xi^{1/2}$$

$$v_{\theta}(r) = 2\omega_0 \lambda_f \left\{ K_1(r/\lambda_f) - \frac{\lambda_f}{r} \right\}$$

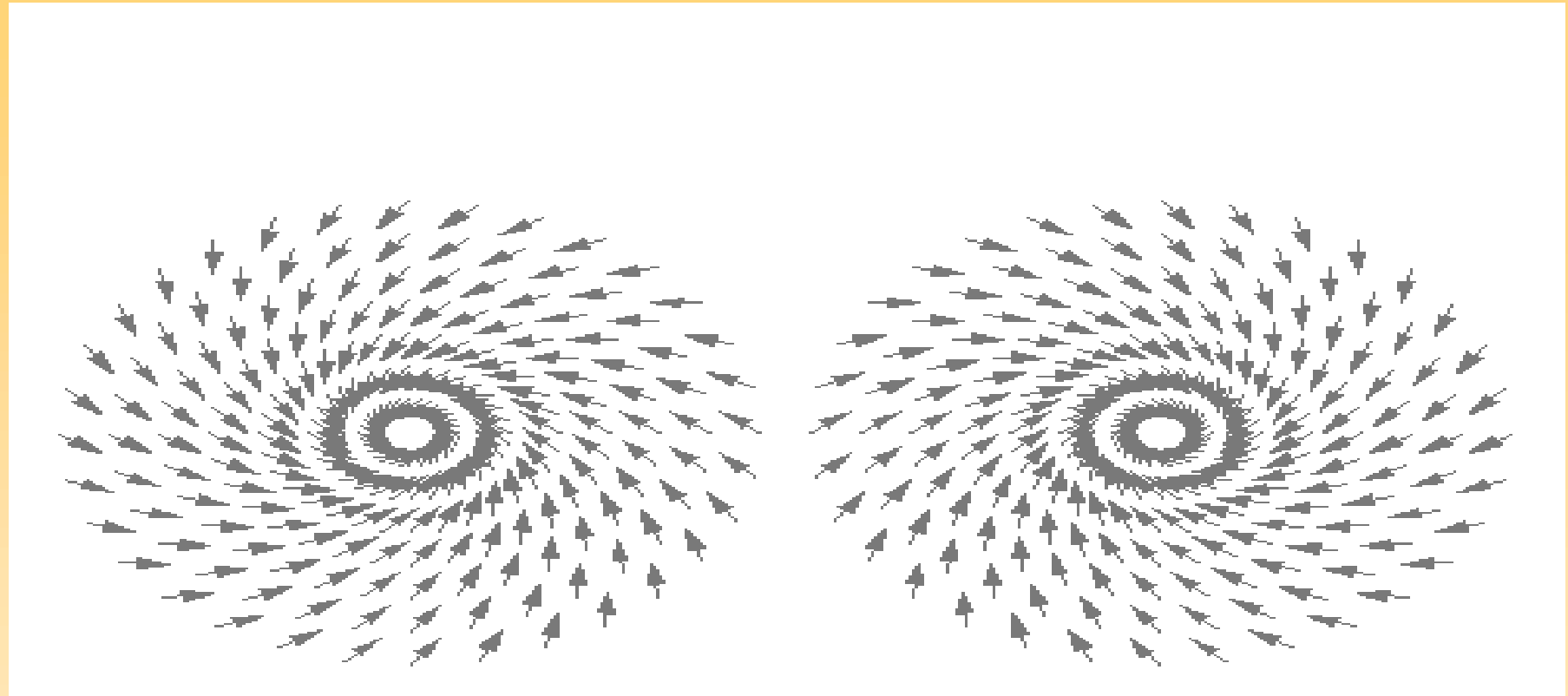
EXPERIMENT

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Keratocyte?



Merits?

- General Framework, measurable coefficients
- Retrograde motion
- Ramaswamy wave
- “Frederiks” Transition
- Rotating Asters, motility
- Gel unstable in spherical geometry
- Connection to other branches of science