### Most flows are unstable...

- 1. Intro-definitions
- 2. Rayleigh-Taylor
- 3. Waves (phase velocity-group velocity)
- 4. Rayleigh Plateau (destabilization through surface tension)
- 5. Rayleigh-Benard
- 6. Taylor Couette-Centrifugal instability
- 7. Taylor Couette exercise
- 8. Kelvin-Helmholtz
- 9. Inflection point theorem Rayleigh+Orr-Sommerfeld equation and Tollmien Schlichting waves+spatial instability and exercise on broken line shear layer
- 10. Transient growth
- 11. Frequency response
- 12. Spatio-temporal stability analyis
- 13. Nonlinear effects
- 14. Chaos

### SPATIALLY DEVELOPING SHEAR FLOWS

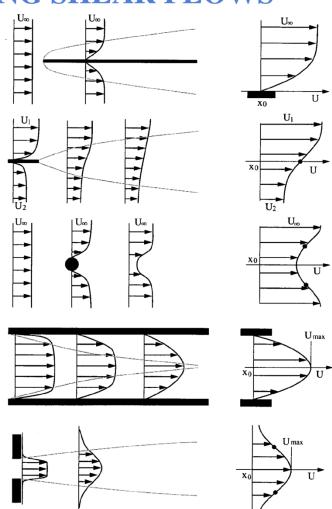
Flat plate boundary layer

Mixing layer

Cylinder wake

Plane channel flow

2D jet



## Dispersion relation

### 2D vorticity equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y}\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)\nabla^2\Psi = \frac{1}{Re}\nabla^4\Psi$$

### **Basic flow + perturbation**

$$\Psi(x,t) = \int U(y)dy + \psi(x,y,t)$$

### Linear vorticity equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U(y)\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\nabla^2\psi - U''(y)\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{Re}\nabla^4\psi$$

### Dispersion relation

$$D(k,\omega) = 0$$

Temporal approach: k is real; ω is complex Perturbation grow and decay in time!

Spatial approach: ω is real; k is complex Perturbations grow and decay in space!

# Shear layer is inviscidly unstable!

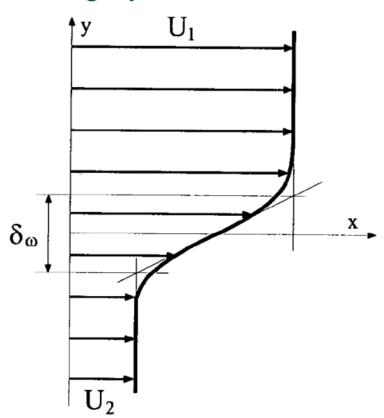
### Hyperbolic tangent mixing layer

$$U(y) = \bar{U} + rac{\Delta U}{2} \, anh \left(rac{2y}{\delta_{\omega}}
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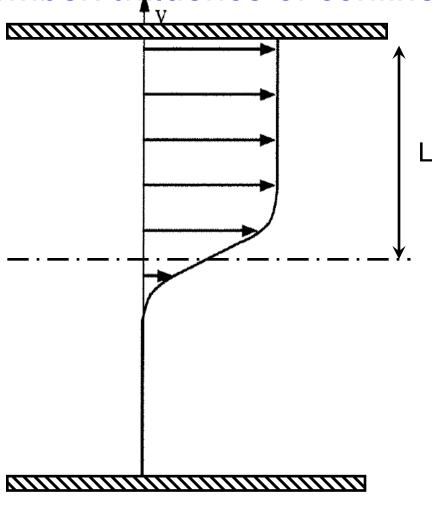
$$\delta_{\omega}(x) \equiv \frac{(U_1 - U_2)}{(dU/dy)_{\max}}$$

Velocity ratio

$$R \equiv \frac{U_1 - U_2}{U_1 + U_2} = \frac{\Delta U}{2\bar{U}}$$



# Only a necessary condition for instability! Remember: Influence of confinement



Hyperbolic tangent mixing layer

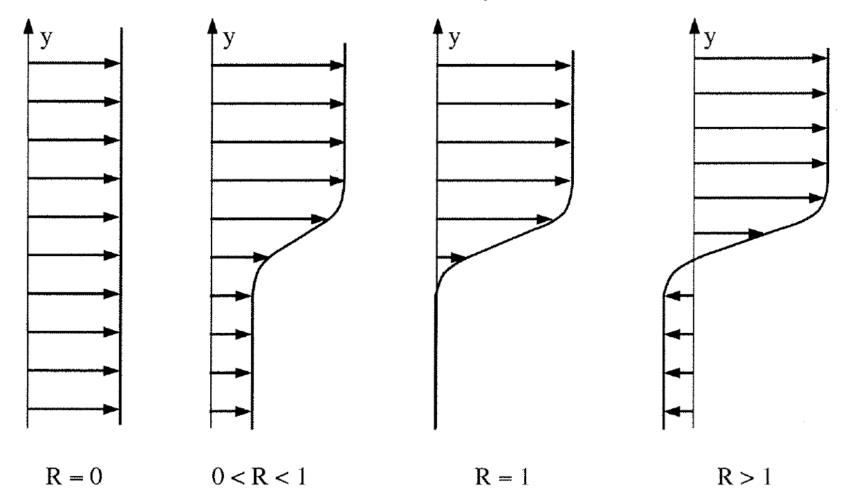
$$U(y;R) = 1 + R \tanh y$$

$$U_1(y) = \tanh y$$

Dispersion relation

$$\omega(k;R) = k + R\,\omega_1(k)$$

# Effect of velocity ratio



Hyperbolic tangent mixing layer

### Temporal approach

$$\omega_1(k) = i \,\omega_{1,i}(k)$$

$$\omega_i(k;R) = R \,\omega_{1,i}(k)$$

$$c_r = \omega_r/k = 1$$

Temporal approach: k is real; ω is complex

Hyperbolic tangent mixing layer

### Spatial approach

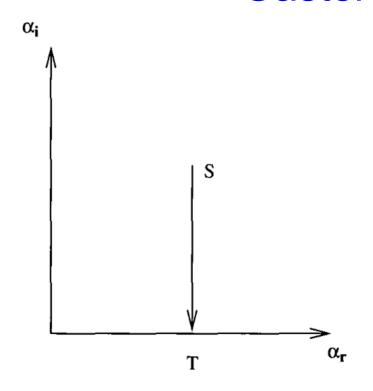
$$k + R\,\omega_1(k) = \omega$$

$$R \ll 1$$

$$-k_i(\omega, R) \sim R \,\omega_{1,i}(\omega)$$

Gaster transformation

### **Gaster transformation**



$$\frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_r} = \frac{\partial \omega_i}{\partial \alpha_i}, \quad \frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_i} = -\frac{\partial \omega_i}{\partial \alpha_r}.$$

$$|\omega_i|_S^T = \int_S^T \frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_r} d\alpha_i$$

$$\omega_i(T) = \int_S^0 \frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_r} d\alpha_i,$$

$$\omega_i(T) = -\int_0^S \frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_r} d\alpha_i,$$

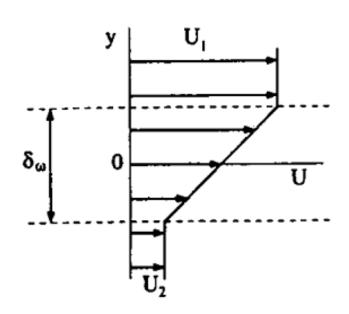
$$\approx -\frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_r}\bigg|_{\alpha_i^*} \alpha_i(S),$$

$$c_g = \frac{\partial \omega_r}{\partial \alpha_r}, \qquad \omega_i(T) = c_g \{-\alpha_i(S)\}.$$

$$U(y) = \begin{cases} U_1, & y > \delta_{\omega}/2 \\ (U_1 + U_2)/2 + (U_1 - U_2)y/\delta_{\omega}, & |y| < \delta_{\omega}/2 \\ U_2, & y < -\delta_{\omega}/2 \end{cases}$$

$$\phi'' - k^2 \phi = 0$$

$$\begin{split} \phi_1(y) &= A_1 \, \mathrm{e}^{-ky}, \quad y > \delta_\omega/2 \,, \\ \phi_2(y) &= B_2 \, \mathrm{e}^{ky}, \quad y < -\delta_\omega/2 \,, \\ \phi_0(y) &= A_0 \, \mathrm{e}^{-ky} + B_0 \, \mathrm{e}^{ky}, \quad |y| < \delta_\omega/2 \end{split}$$



$$A_{1} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} = A_{0} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} + B_{0} e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2},$$

$$B_{2} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} = A_{0} e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2} + B_{0} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2},$$

$$-k(U_{1} - c)A_{1} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} = k(U_{1} - c)(-A_{0} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} + B_{0} e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2})$$

$$-\frac{\Delta U}{\delta_{\omega}} (A_{0} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} + B_{0} e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2}),$$

$$k(U_{2} - c)B_{2} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} = k(U_{2} - c)(-A_{0} e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2} + B_{0} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2})$$

$$-\frac{\Delta U}{\delta_{\omega}} (A_{0} e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2} + B_{0} e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2}).$$

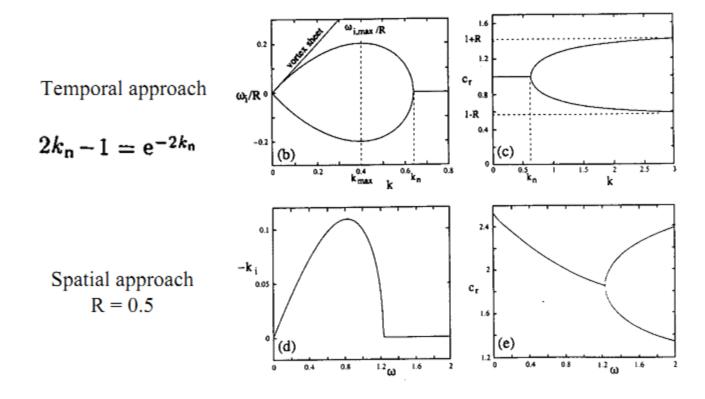
$$-\frac{\Delta U}{\delta_{\omega}} A_0 e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} + \left[ 2k(U_1 - c) - \frac{\Delta U}{\delta_{\omega}} \right] B_0 e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2} = 0$$
$$\left[ 2k(U_2 - c) + \frac{\Delta U}{\delta_{\omega}} \right] A_0 e^{k\delta_{\omega}/2} + \frac{\Delta U}{\delta_{\omega}} B_0 e^{-k\delta_{\omega}/2} = 0$$

$$4(k\delta_{\omega})^{2}(c-\bar{U})^{2} - \left[ (k\delta_{\omega} - 1)^{2} - e^{-2k\delta_{\omega}} \right] \Delta U^{2} = 0$$

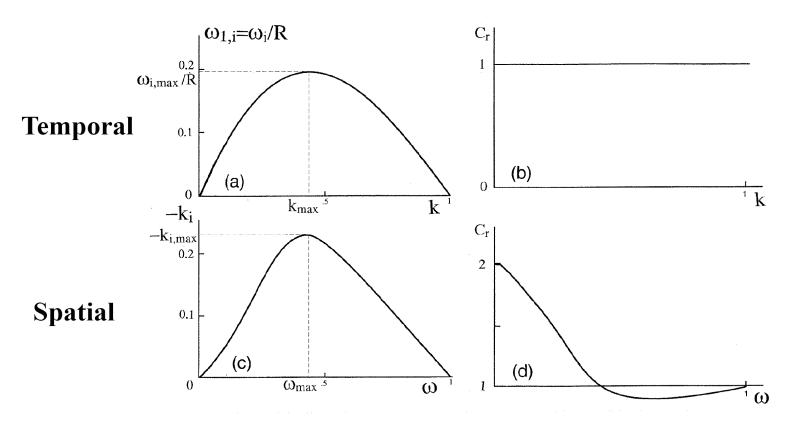
$$k\delta_{\omega} \mapsto 2k, c/\bar{U} \mapsto c$$

$$4k^{2}(c-1)^{2} - R^{2} \left[ (2k-1)^{2} - e^{-4k} \right] = 0$$

$$c \equiv \frac{\omega}{k} = 1 \pm \frac{R}{2k} \left[ (2k - 1)^2 - e^{-4k} \right]^{1/2}$$



Hyperbolic tangent mixing layer



Michalke (1964, 65)

# Solving a spatial instability problem ex: Rayleigh equation

### Back to temporal stability analysis! How to solve Rayleigh equation for real k and complex ω?

We fix k, we need to find all  $\omega$  and  $\psi$  such that

$$\mathbf{k} \bigg( U \left( \frac{d^2}{dy^2} - k^2 \right) - U''(y) \bigg) \, \psi = \mathbf{\omega} \left( \frac{d^2}{dy^2} - k^2 \right) \psi$$
 
$$\psi(-L) = \psi(L) = 0$$

Formally,

$$\mathcal{A}\psi = c\,\mathcal{E}\psi$$

 $c=\omega/k$ 

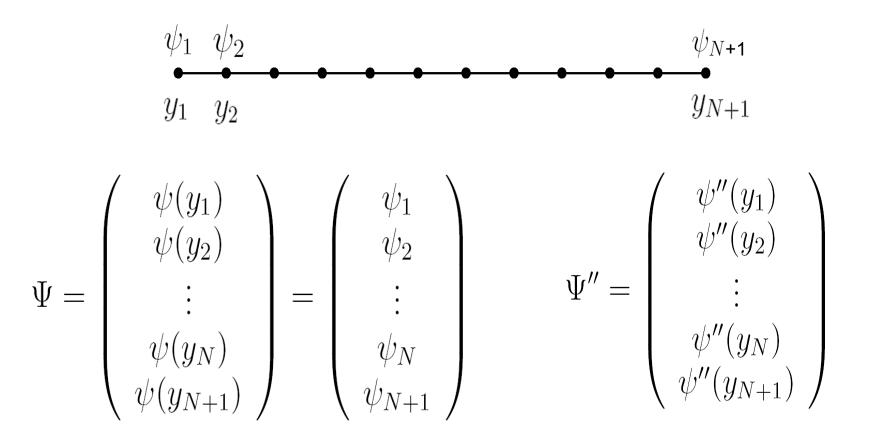
Discretize

$$\mathbf{A}\Psi = c\mathbf{E}\Psi$$

Generalized eigenvalue problem

### How to solve Rayleigh equation for real k and complex ω?

#### Finite differences of order 1



### How to solve Rayleigh equation for real k and complex ω?

### Finite differences

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_2'' \\ \psi_3'' \\ \psi_4'' \\ \vdots \\ \psi_{N-3}'' \\ \psi_{N-2}'' \\ \psi_{N-1}'' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_2 \\ \psi_3 \\ \psi_4 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_{N-3} \\ \psi_{N-2} \\ \psi_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Sparse matrix but low order!

### How to solve Rayleigh equation for complex k and real ω?

We fix  $\omega$ , we need to find all k and  $\psi$  such that

$$\mathbf{k} \bigg( U \left( \frac{d^2}{dy^2} - k^2 \right) - U''(y) \bigg) \, \psi = \mathbf{\omega} \left( \frac{d^2}{dy^2} - k^2 \right) \psi$$
 
$$\psi(-L) = \psi(L) = 0$$

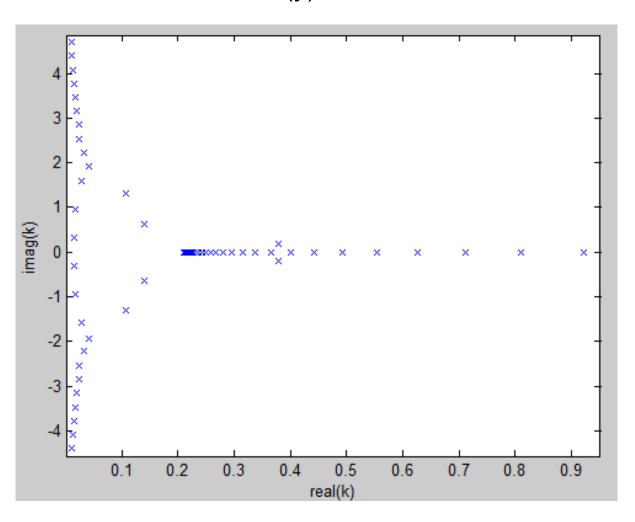
Formally,

$$(A_0(\omega,y)+kA_1(\omega,y)+k^2A_2(\omega,y)+k^3A_3(\omega,y)) \quad \psi = 0$$

Polynomial eigenvalue problem

# Many more eigenvalues (for Rayleigh equation: 3 x more!)

U=1+0.9\*tanh(y);  $\omega$ =0.4; L=5



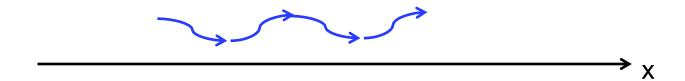
## Which of these waves are unstable?

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Im(k)<0?
Im(k)>0?
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Recall: exp(i(kx-ωt))

The stability of a spatial wave can be only determined if one knows in which direction it propagates!

k\* waves propagate towards positive x

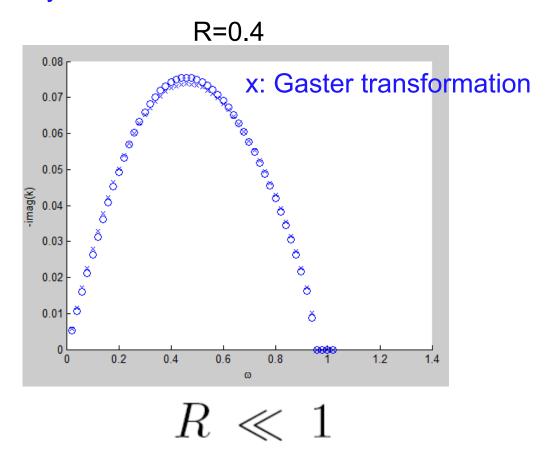


k⁻ waves propagate towards negative x



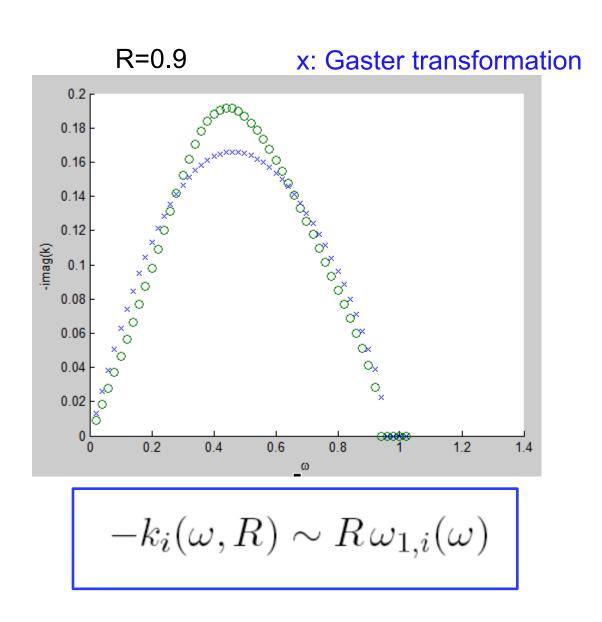
However, determining this direction of propagation is particularly difficult, except in the case of a temporally stable flow.

### Validity of Gaster transformation?

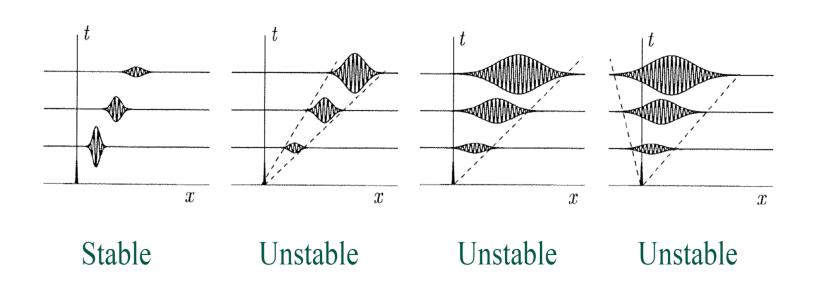


$$-k_i(\omega, R) \sim R \,\omega_{1,i}(\omega)$$

### Validity of Gaster transformation?



### **Green's function or impulse response**



Briggs (1964) Bers (1983) Huerre and Monkewitz (1985)

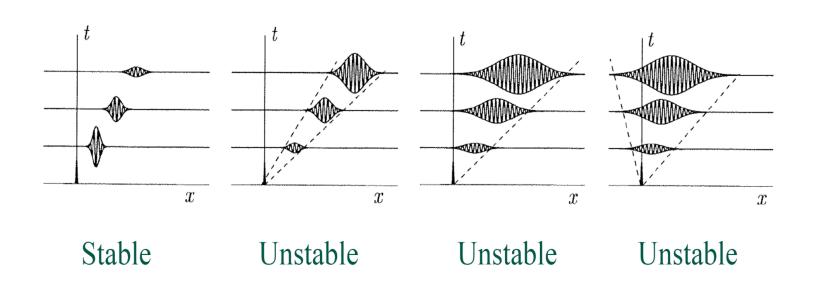
Linearly stable flow

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}G(x,t)=0 \qquad \text{along all rays x/t = const.}$$

Linearly unstable flow

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}G(x,t)=\infty \qquad \text{along at least one ray x/t = const.}$$

### **Green's function or impulse response**



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Convectively unstable flow

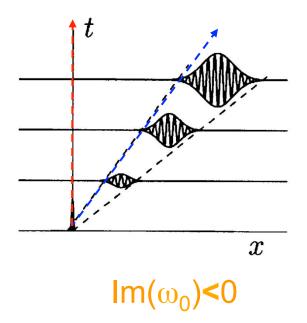
$$\lim_{t \to \infty} G(x, t) = 0$$
 along the ray x/t = 0

Absolutely unstable flow

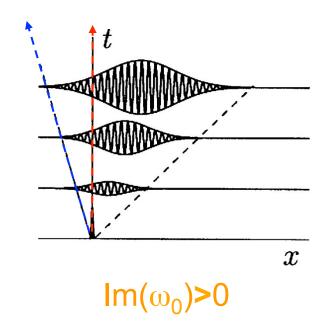
$$\lim_{t\to\infty}G(x,t)=\infty \qquad \qquad \text{along the ray x/t}=0$$

## Théorie de la stabilité linéaire spatio-temporelle

- Instabilité convective
  - → Amplificateur



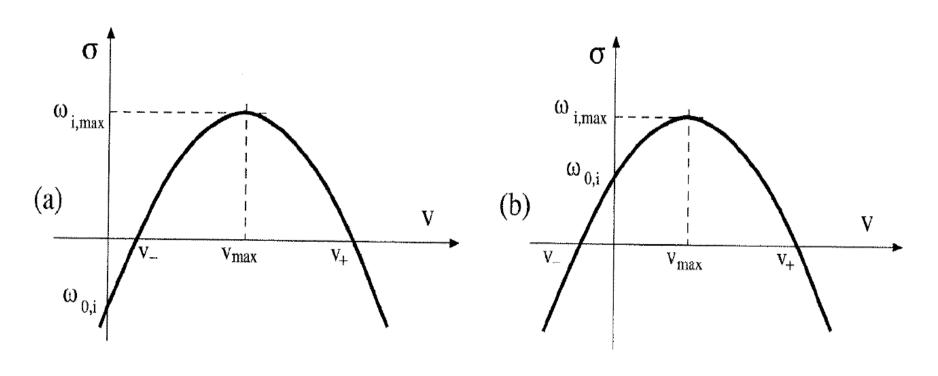
- → Instabilité absolue
  - ⇒ Oscillateur



Onde de vitesse de groupe nulle :  $d\omega/dk=0 \Rightarrow (k_0,\omega_0)$ 

# ANALYSIS IN COMPLEX FOURIER SPACE: AU/CU CRITERION

Temporal growth rate « at velocity v »



Convective instability

Absolute instability

### Go into Fourier space!

$$\psi(x,t,\mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{L_{\omega}} \int_{F_k} \psi(k,\mathbf{\omega},\mathbf{y}) e^{i(kx-\omega t)} dk d\omega$$

$$\psi(k,\omega,y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \psi(x,t,y) e^{-i(kx-\omega t)} dx dt$$

Manipulate these integrals....

### ANALYSIS IN COMPLEX FOURIER SPACE: AU/CU CRITERION

### Important notions

Leading and trailing edge velocities of wavepacket

$$x/t = v^{+} \qquad x/t = v^{-}$$
 defined by 
$$\sigma(v^{+}) = \sigma(v^{-}) = 0$$

Maximum temporal growth rate

$$\omega_{i,max} = \omega_i(k_{max})$$
such that
$$\frac{\partial \omega_i}{\partial k}(k_{max}) = 0$$
observed along ray
$$\partial \omega/\partial k(k_{max}) = v_{max}$$

## ANALYSIS IN COMPLEX FOURIER SPACE: AU/CU CRITERION

### Important notions

Absolute wavenumber  $k_0$  and frequency  $\omega_0 = \omega(k_0)$  observed along ray v = 0, i.e. for a stationary observer, defined by

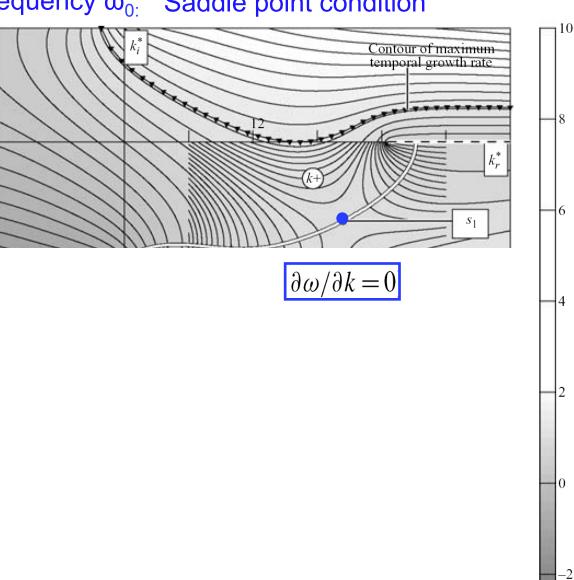
$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k}(k_0) = 0$$

Absolute growth rate is

$$\sigma(0) = \omega_{0,i}$$

### Isovaleurs de $\omega_i$

### Absolute frequency $\omega_{0:}$ Saddle point condition



## ANALYSIS IN COMPLEX FOURIER SPACE: AU/CU CRITERION

## Instability criteria

$$\omega_{i,max} < 0$$

linearly stable

$$\omega_{i,max} > 0$$

linearly unstable

$$\omega_{0,i} < 0$$

convectively unstable

$$\omega_{0,i} > 0$$

absolutely unstable

## Hyperbolic tangent mixing layer

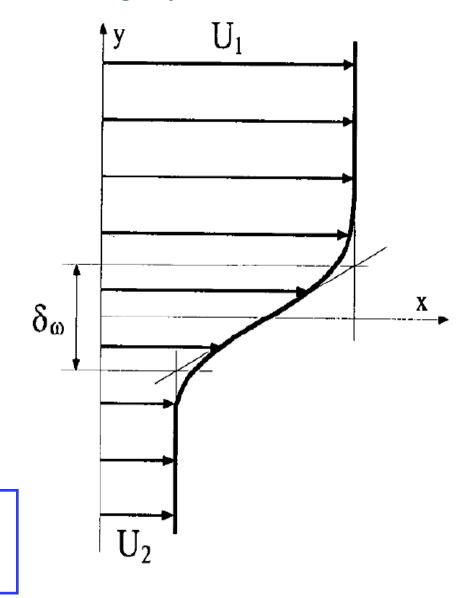
$$U(y) = \bar{U} + \frac{\Delta U}{2} \tanh\left(\frac{2y}{\delta_{\omega}}\right)$$

$$\delta_{\omega}(x) \equiv \frac{(U_1 - U_2)}{(dU/dy)_{\max}}$$

Velocity ratio

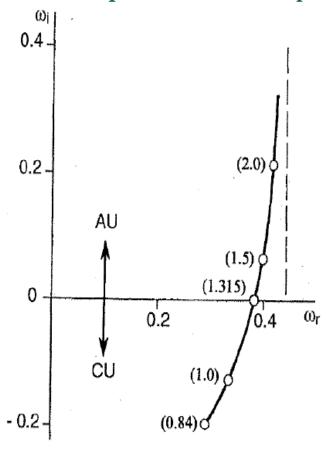
$$R \equiv \frac{U_1 - U_2}{U_1 + U_2} = \frac{\Delta U}{2\bar{U}}$$

$$U(y;R) = 1 + R \tanh y$$

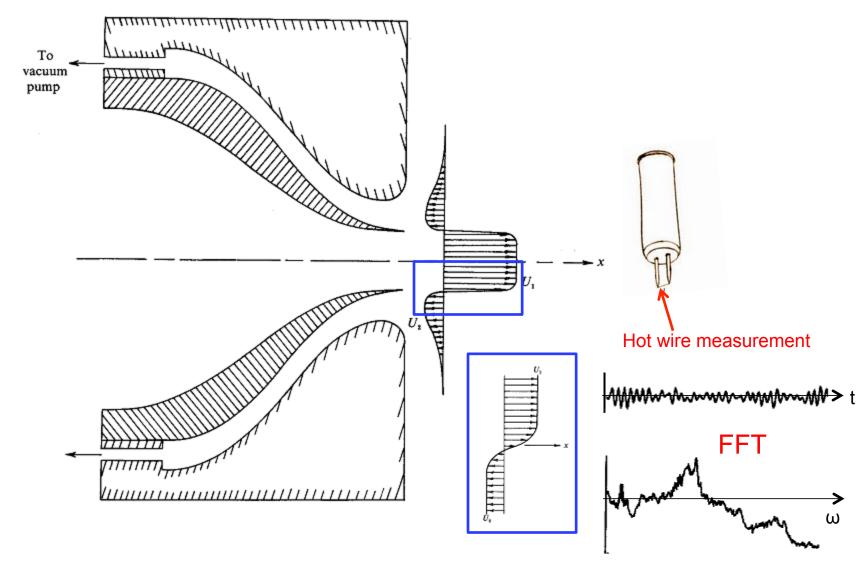


#### APPLICATION TO MIXING LAYERS

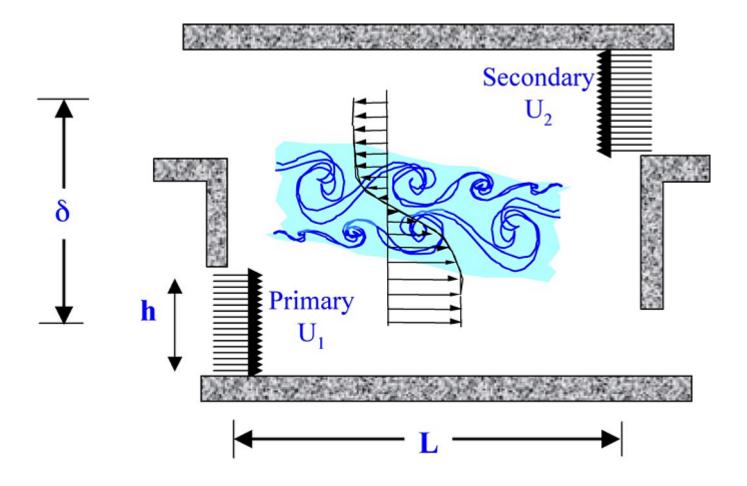
Locus of complex absolute frequency



H.&Monkewitz (1985)

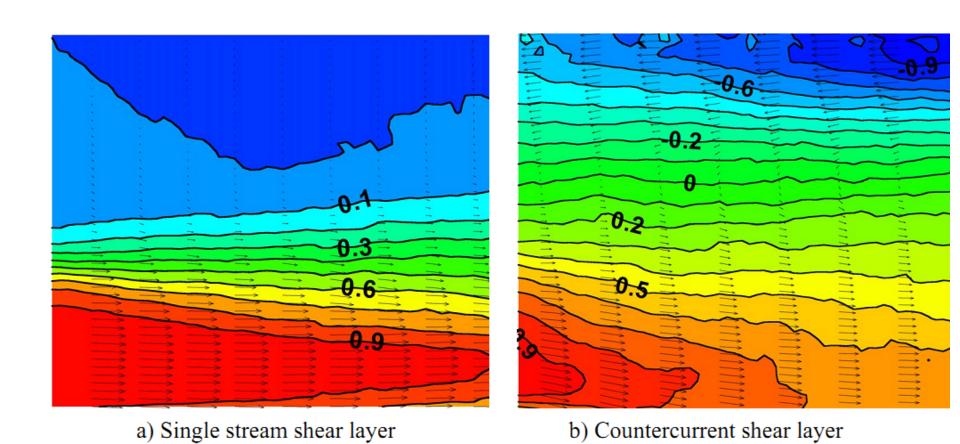


#### Influence of coutercurrent shear on turbulence level



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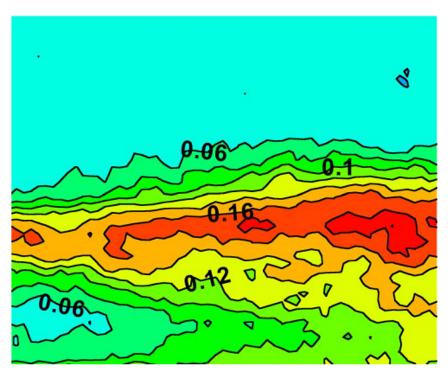
#### Base flow



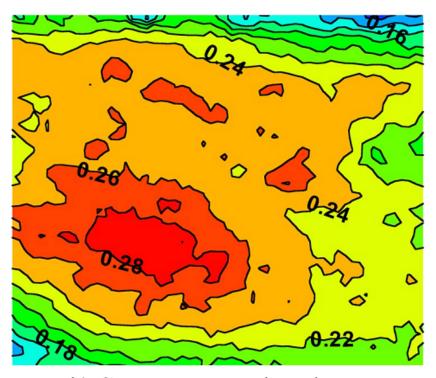
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#### Influence of coutercurrent shear on turbulence level

### Turbulence intensity

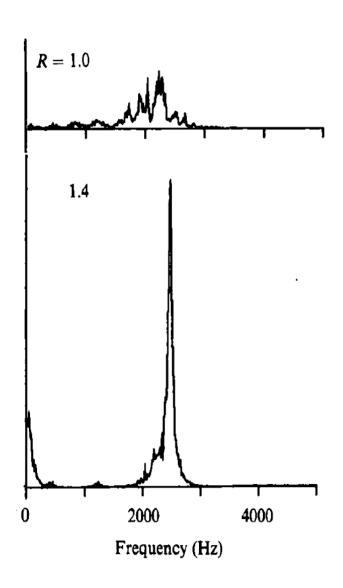


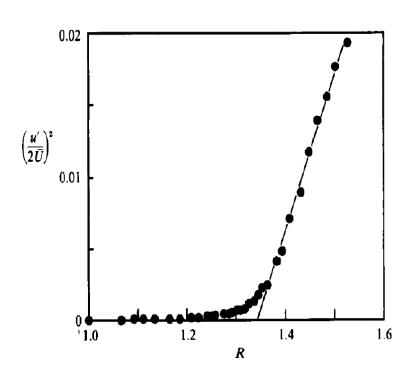
a) Single-stream shear layer



b) Countercurrent shear layer

### THE MIXING LAYER: SHIFT TO OSCILLATOR!



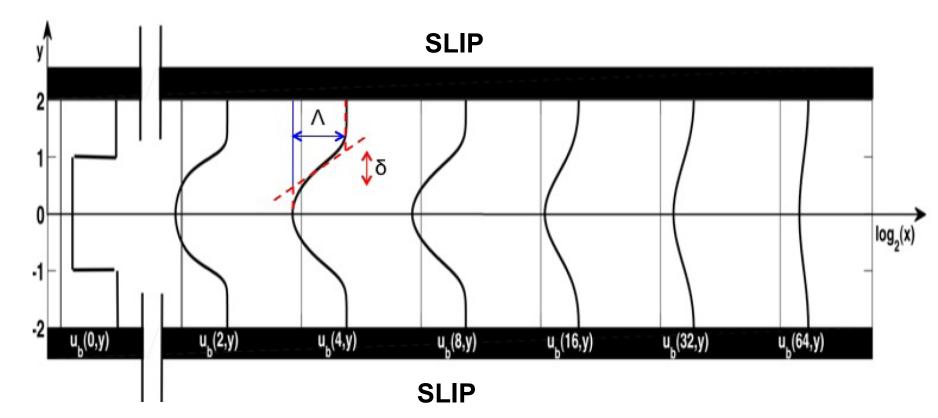


Strykowski & Niccum (1991)

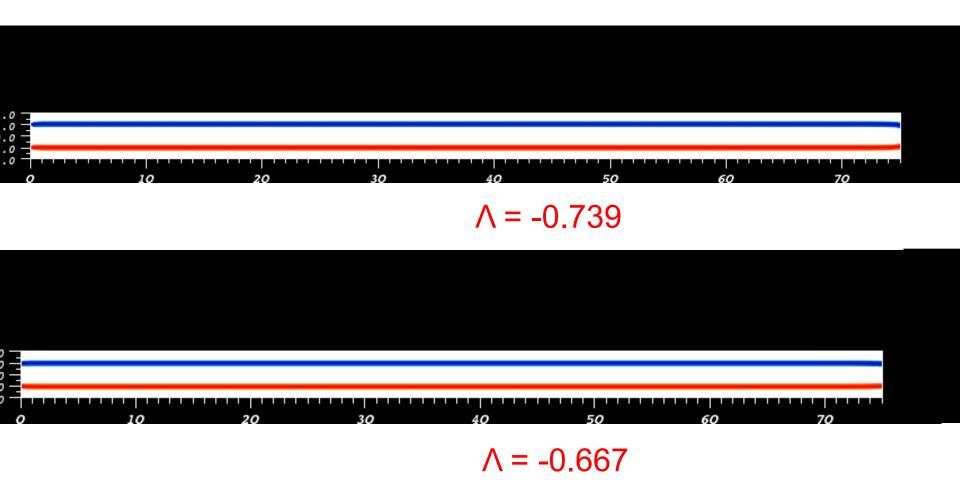
## Direct Numerical Simulations with top-hat profile at inlet

## Viscous diffusion → Non-parallel flow

- $\bullet$   $\delta = (U_{max} U_{min})/(|dU/dy|_{max})$

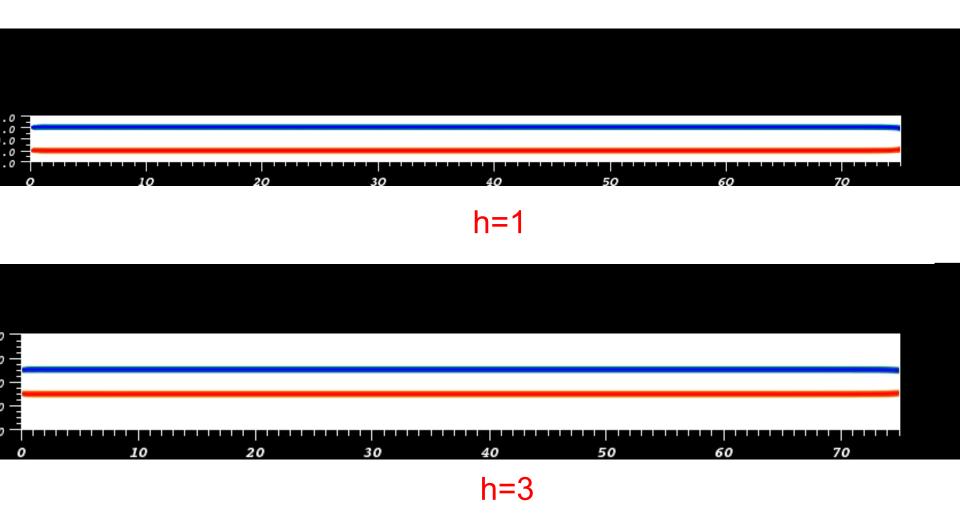


## Vorticity field: Re = 100, h = 1



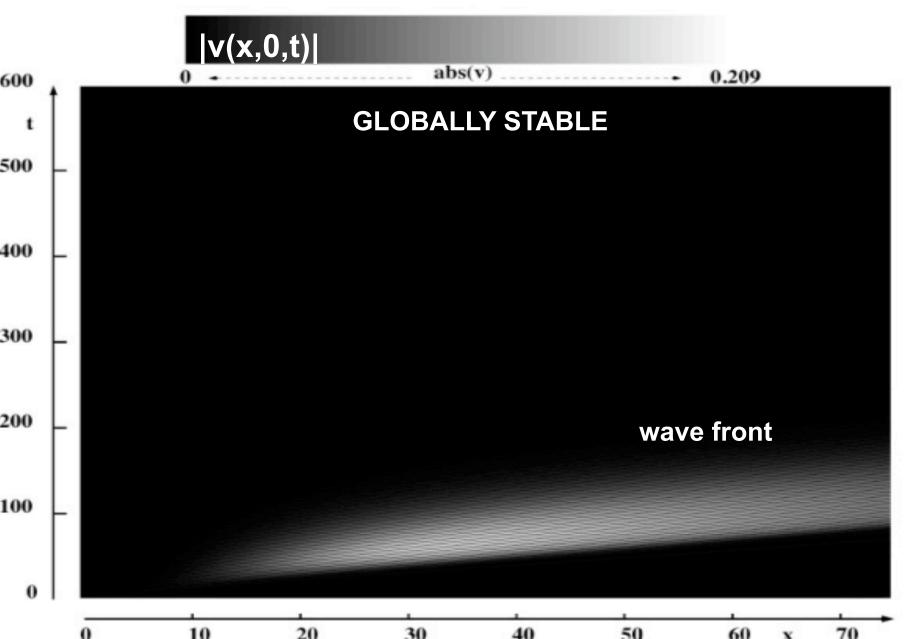
An increase in  $\Lambda$  (more coflow) advects the perturbation

## Vorticity field: Re = 100, $\Lambda$ = -0.739

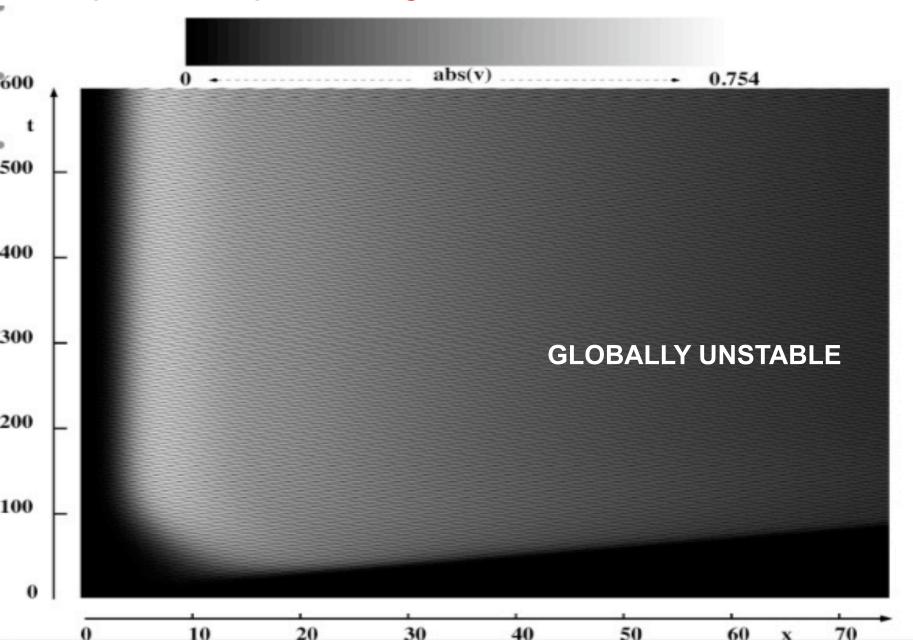


Destabilizing influence of confinement!

## Spatio-temporal diagram, h=1 and $\Lambda$ = -0.667



## Spatio-temporal diagram, h=1 and $\Lambda = -0.739$



# THE BLUFF BODY WAKE: A TYPICAL FLOW OSCILLATOR



Re = 140 Periodic flow

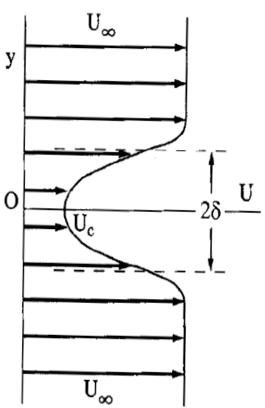
Taneda (1982)

## ABSOLUTE/CONVECTIVE INSTABILITY IN PARALLEL WAKES

Family of wake profiles

$$U(y) = U_{\infty} + (U_c - U_{\infty}) U_1\left(\frac{y}{\delta}; N\right)$$

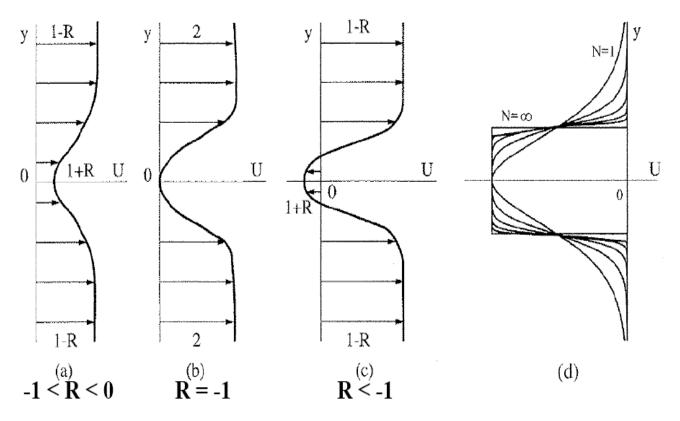
$$U_1(\xi; N) = [1 + \sinh^{2N} \{\xi \sinh^{-1}(1)\}]^{-1}$$



Monkewitz (1988)

## ABSOLUTE/CONVECTIVE INSTABILITY IN PARALLEL WAKES

Family of wake profiles



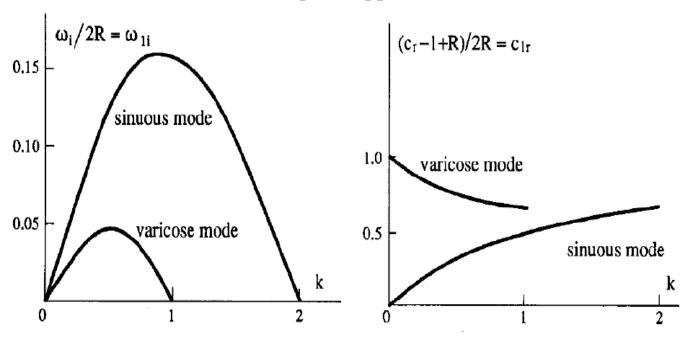
Effect of velocity ratio R

Effect of N

## ABSOLUTE/CONVECTIVE INSTABILITY IN PARALLEL 2D PARALLEL FLOW CONCEPTS

 $\operatorname{sech}^2 y$  wake

#### Temporal approach

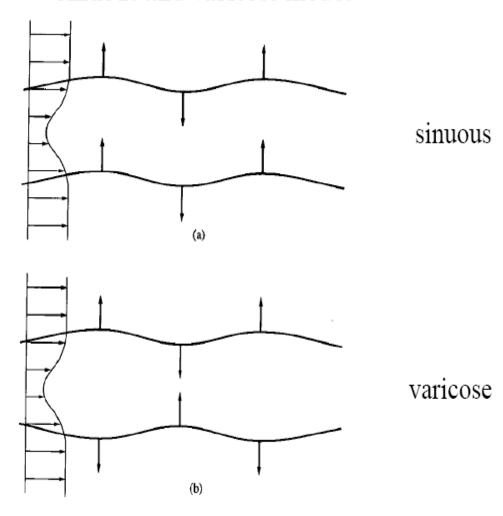


Betchov & Criminale (1966)

### **2D PARALLEL FLOW CONCEPTS**

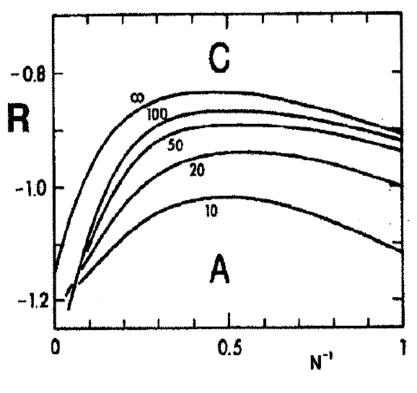
 $\operatorname{sech}^2 y$  wake

#### Sinuous and varicose modes



## ABSOLUTE/CONVECTIVE INSTABILITY IN PARALLEL WAKES

Effect of steepness, velocity ratio and Reynolds number



Monkewitz (1988)

#### LOCAL INSTABILITY BEHAVIOR OF CYLINDER WAKE

Convective instability

Absolute instability