

Unfolding of a bistable tape spring: analogy with a regularized bistable Ericksen bar

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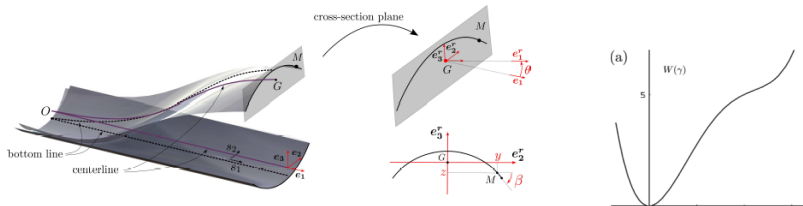
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Dynamics of a bistable tape spring

- long fiber composite tape, with 2 **stable** equilibrium positions:
 - ✓ unrolled (curved cross section)
 - ✓ coiled (flat cross section)
- **slow** variation of the boundary conditions:
 - ✓ **fast** deployment of the tape
 - ✓ 3 zones: unfolded / transition area / coiled up

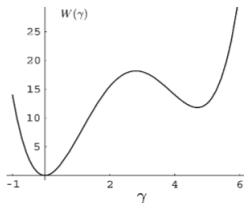


- many models: 3D, shells, **flexible section beams**
 - Picault-Bourgeois-Cochelin-Guinot (2016): 7 dof (3D)
 - Guinot-Bourgeois-Cochelin-Blanchard (2012): 4 dof (tension, plane flexion)
 - Martin-Bourgeois-Cochelin-Guinot (2020): 2 dof (pure flexion θ and β)



- **statics**: analogy with a regularized **Ericksen bar**
 - longitudinal curvature \mapsto strain
 - ✓ local non-convexity of energy: formation of folds
 - ✓ regularization: transition zones, finite number of folds
 - ✓ higher-order boundary conditions: variation of the cross-section shape

Objective of the study



- a step further for the analogy tape spring / Ericksen bar
 - ✓ introduction of **dynamics** and **bistability**
 - ✓ elementary model: **1 dof**
- capture the main features observed
 - ✓ switching from one stable state to another via a boundary condition
 - ✓ propagation of a transition zone at constant speed (**travelling wave**)

Sketch of the study

- 1 bistable regularized Ericksen bar
Lagrangian, PDE, exact solution (**kink wave**)
- 2 augmented Lagrangian
PDE, boundary conditions, hyperbolic system
- 3 numerical experiments
variable boundary conditions, properties of the front
- 4 conclusion and prospects

Part I

Bistable regularized Ericksen bar

Original Lagrangian

- displacement u , velocity $v = \partial_t u$, strain $\varepsilon = \partial_x u$

kinetic energy \mathcal{T} , potential energy \mathcal{V} , Lagrangian \mathcal{L}

$$\mathcal{T} = \frac{\rho}{2} (\partial_t u)^2, \quad \mathcal{V} = W(\varepsilon) + \frac{\alpha}{2} (\partial_x \varepsilon)^2, \quad \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{V}$$

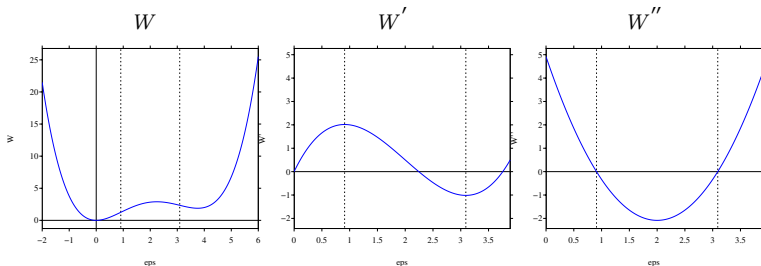
- Ericksen energy: W' "up-down-up"

$$W(\varepsilon) = a_2 \varepsilon^2 + a_3 \varepsilon^3 + a_4 \varepsilon^4$$

- properties:

✓ W concave on $]\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2[$

✓ $W' = 0$ at 3 equilibrium points: 0 (stable) $< \varepsilon_1^0$ (unstable) $< \varepsilon_2^0$ (stable)



Evolution equations

- Euler-Lagrange

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \varepsilon - \partial_x v = 0 \\ \rho \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma = 0, \quad \sigma = W'(\varepsilon) - \alpha \partial_{xx}^2 \varepsilon \end{cases}$$

- energy balance: $\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{P}$

$$\mathcal{E} = \int_0^L \left(\frac{\rho}{2} v^2 + W(\varepsilon) + \frac{\alpha}{2} (\partial_x \varepsilon)^2 \right) dx, \quad \mathcal{P} = [v \sigma + \alpha \partial_t \varepsilon \partial_x \varepsilon]_0^L$$

- admissible boundary conditions:

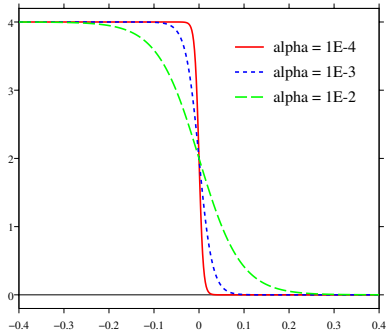
$$\begin{cases} v(0, t) = 0 \\ \partial_x \varepsilon(0, t) = 0 \\ \varepsilon(L, t) = f_\varepsilon(t) \\ \sigma(L, t) = 0 \end{cases}$$

✓ steady forcing $f_\varepsilon \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E} = 0$

Exact solution

- dimensional analysis $V \propto \sqrt{\frac{a_i}{\rho}}$, $D \propto \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{a_i}}$
- travelling wave $\varepsilon(\xi)$, with $\xi = x - Vt$
- **kink wave** between 2 states $\varepsilon_A = 0 < \varepsilon_B = -\frac{a_3}{2 a_4}$

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho} \left(a_2 - \frac{a_3^2}{4 a_4} \right)}, \quad \varepsilon(\xi) = \frac{\varepsilon_B}{1 + \exp\left(\varepsilon_B \sqrt{\frac{2 a_4}{\alpha}} \xi \right)}$$



- 1st order in time

$$\partial_t \mathbf{U} + \partial_x \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{U}) = \mathbf{S} \partial_{xxx}^3$$

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \\ v \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{U}) = \begin{pmatrix} -v \\ -\frac{1}{\rho} W'(\varepsilon) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -\alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- eigenvalues of the Jacobian $\mathbf{A} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \mathbf{U}}$

$$\Lambda^{(1,2)} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{W''(\varepsilon)}{\rho}}$$

- $\varepsilon \in]\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2[\Rightarrow W''(\varepsilon) < 0$: imaginary sound speed
 - ✗ not well-posed on $[\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2]$
 - ✗ inversion of an **elliptic operator** at each time step

Part II

Augmented Lagrangian for a bistable
Ericksen bar

Augmented Lagrangian

- original Lagrangian \mathcal{L} (reminder): kinetic energy \mathcal{T} , potential energy \mathcal{V}

$$\mathcal{T} = \frac{\rho}{2} (\partial_t u)^2, \quad \mathcal{V} = W(\varepsilon) + \frac{\alpha}{2} (\partial_x \varepsilon)^2, \quad \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{V}$$

- augmented Lagrangian \mathcal{L}_e : variable η , kinetic energy \mathcal{T}_e , potential energy \mathcal{V}_e

$$\mathcal{T}_e = \frac{\rho}{2} (\partial_t u)^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} (\partial_t \eta)^2, \quad \mathcal{V}_e = W(\varepsilon) + \frac{\alpha}{2} (\partial_x \eta)^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\varepsilon - \eta)^2, \quad \mathcal{L}_e = \mathcal{T}_e - \mathcal{V}_e$$

- parameters:

micro-inertia $\beta \rightsquigarrow$ equation for η (e.g. : Poisson effect)

penalization $\lambda \rightsquigarrow$ real sound speed (hyperbolicity)

- property (to be proven):

$$\checkmark \eta = \varepsilon + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^{-1}) + \mathcal{O}(\beta^n), \quad n \geq 0$$

Evolution equations

- Euler-Lagrange: $w = \partial_t \eta$, $p = \partial_x \eta$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \varepsilon - \partial_x v = 0 \\ \rho \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma_e = 0, \quad \sigma_e = W'(\varepsilon) + \lambda (\varepsilon - \eta) \\ \partial_t \eta = w \\ \partial_t p - \partial_x w = 0 \\ \beta \partial_t w - \partial_x (\alpha p) = \lambda (\varepsilon - \eta) \end{array} \right.$$

- energy balance: $\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_e = \mathcal{P}_e$

$$\mathcal{E}_e = \int_0^L \left(\frac{\rho}{2} v^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} w^2 + W(\varepsilon) + \frac{\alpha}{2} p^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\varepsilon - \eta)^2 \right) dx, \quad \mathcal{P}_e = [v \sigma_e + \alpha p w]_0^L$$

- admissible boundary conditions:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v(0, t) = 0 \\ p(0, t) = 0 \\ \eta(L, t) = f_\eta(t) \\ \varepsilon(L, t) = s^{-1}(\lambda f_\eta(t)) \equiv f_\varepsilon(t) \end{array} \right.$$

- ✓ steady forcing $f_\eta \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_e = 0$

- 1st order in space and time

$$\partial_t \mathbf{U}_e + \partial_x \mathbf{f}_e(\mathbf{U}_e) = \mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{U}_e$$

$$\mathbf{U}_e = (\varepsilon, v, \eta, p, w)^\top, \quad \mathbf{f}_e(\mathbf{U}_e) = \left(-v, -\frac{1}{\rho} \sigma_e(\varepsilon, \eta), 0, -w, -\frac{\alpha}{\beta} p \right)^\top$$

- sound speed: eigenvalues $\Lambda_e^{(i)}$ of the Jacobian $\mathbf{A}_e = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_e}{\partial \mathbf{U}_e}$

$$\Lambda_e^{(1)} = 0, \quad \Lambda_e^{(2,3)} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{W''(\varepsilon) + \lambda}{\rho}}, \quad \Lambda_e^{(4,5)} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}}$$

$$\varepsilon \in [\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2] \Rightarrow 0 \leq W''(\varepsilon) \geq W''_{\min} \equiv -25/12$$

$$\lambda > \lambda_{\min} \equiv 25/12 \Rightarrow \text{unconditional hyperbolicity}$$

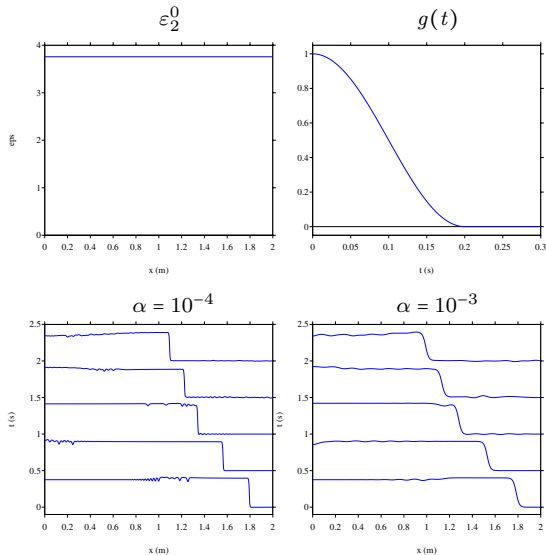
- standard numerical methods for hyperbolic systems with relaxation

Part III

Numerical experiments

Variable boundary conditions

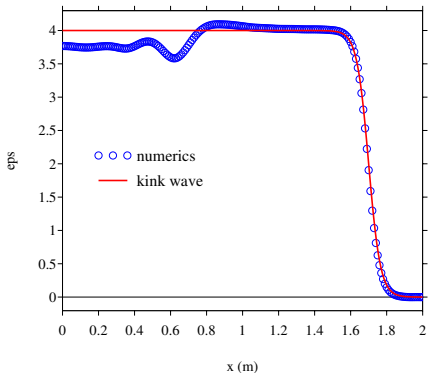
- ✓ $\eta(L, t) = \varepsilon_2^0 g(t)$ with g decreasing quasi-statically
- ✓ propagation of a front: D increase with α



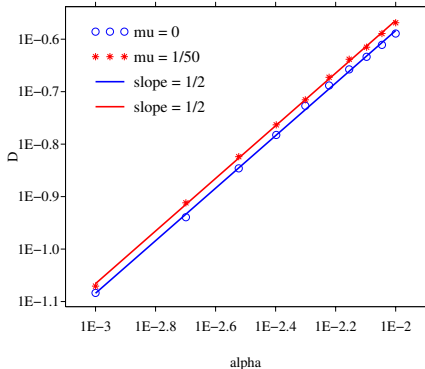
Properties

- ✓ simulation (augmented Lagrangian) vs **kink wave** (original Lagrangian)
- ✓ velocity (measured and exact): $V = 0.5 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$ depends only on the **energy**
- ✓ dimensional analysis and kink wave: $D \propto \sqrt{\alpha}$

snapshot de ε



D vs α



Influence of dissipation

- original Lagrangian: Kelvin-Voigt, μ dynamic viscosity

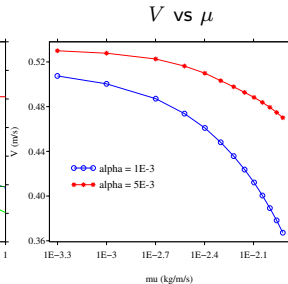
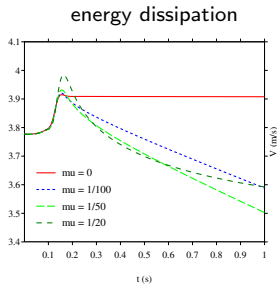
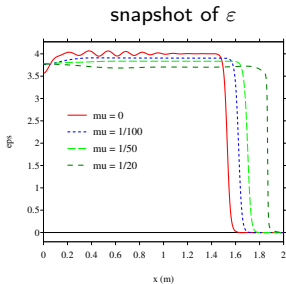
$$\rho \partial_t v - \partial_x \sigma = \mu \partial_{xx}^2 v$$

- augmented Lagrangian: relaxation term

$$\beta \partial_t w - \partial_x (\alpha p) = \lambda (\varepsilon - \eta) - \mu w$$

- dimensional analysis

$$V = \Phi_V \left(\sqrt{\frac{a_i}{\rho}}, \frac{\sqrt{a_i \alpha}}{\mu} \right)$$



Part IV

Conclusion and prospects

- regularized **bistable Ericksen bar** (1 dof): "up-down-up" energy + $\alpha \partial_{xx}^2 u$
 - ✓ existence of kink waves
 - ✓ boundary conditions: switch between two stable equilibria
 - ✓ efficient numerical strategy (augmented Lagrangian)
 - 📖 Bourgeois-Favrie-Lombard, IJSS (2020), to appear
- future directions:
 - ✓ mathematical analysis (📖 Duchêne, Nonlinearity 2019)
 - ✓ 2D and finite-strain
 - ✓ design of innovative deployable structures (**nonlinear metamaterials**)

Thanks for your attention!

Part V

Appendix

Original Lagrangian: dispersion analysis

- linearization $\varepsilon = \bar{\varepsilon} + \zeta \tilde{\varepsilon}$, with $\tilde{\varepsilon} = \hat{\varepsilon} e^{i(\omega t - kx)}$ and $0 < \zeta \ll 1$: **dispersion** relation

$$\omega(k) = k \sqrt{\frac{W'' + \alpha k^2}{\rho}}, \quad c_p(k) = \frac{\omega(k)}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{W'' + \alpha k^2}{\rho}}$$

- $\bar{\varepsilon} \notin [\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2]$: $W'' > 0$

✓ $\forall k$: propagation

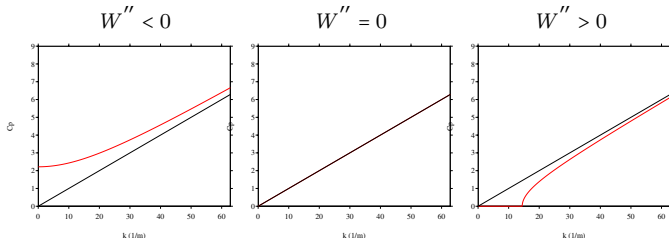
- $\bar{\varepsilon} \in [\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2]$: $W'' \leq 0 \Rightarrow$ critical wavenumber $k_c = \sqrt{-W''/\alpha}$

✓ $k > k_c$: propagation

✗ $k < k_c$: **stabilisation** with 2 possibilities

(i) exponential growth of $\tilde{\varepsilon} \sim \varepsilon \notin [\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2]$

(ii) increase of $k \sim k > k_c$



Approach: augmented Lagrangian method

- principle: introduction of penalized **auxiliary variables** in the Lagrangian
 - ✓ real sound speed (unconditional **hyperbolicity**)
 - ✓ large penalization: augmented Lagrangian \rightarrow original Lagrangian
 - ✓ similar dispersion properties
- recent works :
 - 📖 Favrie-Gavrilyuk (Nonlinearity 2017): Serre-Green-Naghdi
 - 📖 Dhaouadi-Favrie-Gavrilyuk (SAP 2019): non-linear Schrödinger
 - 📖 Duchêne (Nonlinearity 2019): mathematical analysis

Augmented Lagrangian: toy-model

- original Lagrangian: $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 - \frac{x^2}{2}$

Euler-Lagrange

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + x = 0 \\ x(0) = A, \quad \frac{dx}{dt}(0) = B \end{cases} \Rightarrow x(t) = A \cos t + B \sin t$$

- Augmented Lagrangian : $\mathcal{L}_e = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dy_e}{dt} \right)^2 - \frac{x_e^2}{2} - \frac{\lambda}{2} (y_e - x_e)^2$

Euler-Lagrange

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d^2y_e}{dt^2} + \omega^2 y_e = 0, & x_e = \omega^2 y_e \\ x_e(0) = A, & \frac{dx_e}{dt}(0) = B \\ \omega^2 = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + 1} \end{cases} \Rightarrow x_e(t) = A \cos \omega t + \frac{B}{\omega} \sin \omega t$$

- error of model: $|x(t) - x_e(t, \lambda)| = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$

Augmented Lagrangian: dispersion analysis

- quartic equation: 4 solutions $\pm\omega^\pm$

$$A_4 \omega^4 + B(k, \varepsilon) \omega^2 + C(k, \omega) = 0$$

$$c^\pm(k) = \frac{\omega^\pm(k)}{k} : c_p^+ \text{ fast wave, } c_p^- \text{ slow wave}$$

- properties:

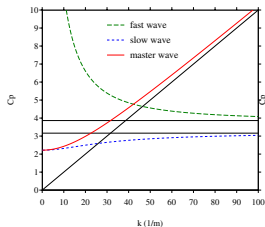
✓ fast wave \equiv spurious wave (acoustic)

$$c_p^+ \in \mathbb{R}^+ \quad \forall k > 0, \quad c_p^+(k) \underset{0}{\sim} \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow +\infty$$

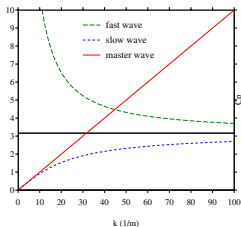
✓ slow wave \equiv physical wave

$$c_p^- \in \mathbb{R}^+ \quad \text{si} \left(W'' > 0 \text{ ou } k > k_c^e = \sqrt{-\frac{W'' \lambda}{\alpha(W'' + \lambda)}} \right), \quad \text{autrement } c_p^- \in i \mathbb{R}$$

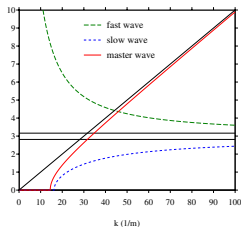
$$W'' < 0$$



$$W'' = 0$$



$$W'' > 0$$



- **nonlinear hyperbolic system** with linear source term

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{U}_e + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{f}_e(\mathbf{U}_e) = \mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{U}_e$$

standard approach: **Strang splitting** (propagation and relaxation)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{U}_e + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{f}_e(\mathbf{U}_e) = \mathbf{0} \quad (\mathbf{H}_p)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{U}_e = \mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{U}_e \quad (\mathbf{H}_r)$$

- **propagation** step: finite-volume scheme with flux limiters

$$\mathbf{U}_i^{n+1} = \mathbf{U}_i^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (\mathbf{F}_{i+1/2} - \mathbf{F}_{i-1/2}), \quad \Delta t \leq \frac{\Delta x}{c_{\max}}$$

boundary conditions: ghost cells (📖 LeVeque 2002)

$$\varepsilon(0, t) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \varepsilon_{-j}^* = +\varepsilon_j^n$$

$$v(0, t) = f_v(t) \quad \rightarrow \quad v_{-j}^* = 2f_v(t_n) - v_j^n$$

- **relaxation** step : exact solution

$$\mathbf{H}_r(\tau) \mathbf{U}_i = \exp(\mathbf{S}_e \tau) \mathbf{U}_i$$

Choice of parameters $\beta \rightarrow 0$ and $\lambda \rightarrow +\infty$

✓ hyperbolicity: $\lambda \geq \lambda_{\min} \equiv 25/12$

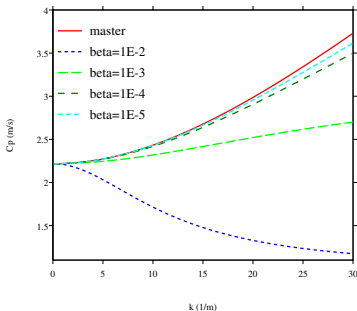
✓ $W'' \geq 0$: increasing slow wave \rightarrow master wave if $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} > \frac{W''(\varepsilon)}{\rho}$

$$\varepsilon \in [0, \varepsilon_2^0] \Rightarrow \Gamma = \frac{\rho}{2 a_2} \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \geq 1$$

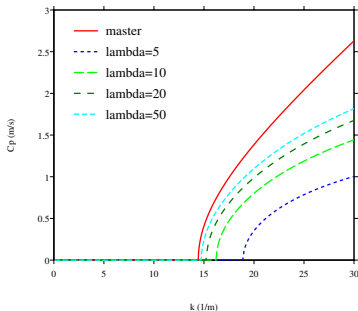
✓ $W'' < 0$: critical wavenumber $\left| \frac{k_c^e}{k_c} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left| W''_{\min} \right| \equiv \frac{25}{24} \frac{1}{\lambda}$

✓ minimization of the numerical dissipation: $\Lambda_e^{(2)}(\varepsilon) = \Lambda_e^{(4)} \Rightarrow \lambda + 2 a_2 = \rho \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$

$W'' > 0, \lambda = 100$



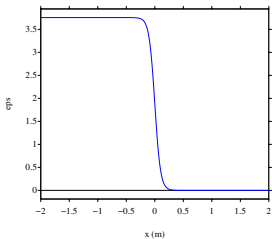
$W'' < 0, \beta = 10^{-3}$



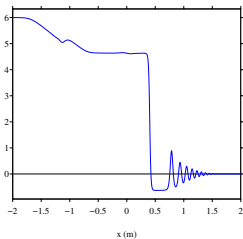
Riemann problem

✓ discontinuous initial data $(\varepsilon_L, 0)$, with smooth transition

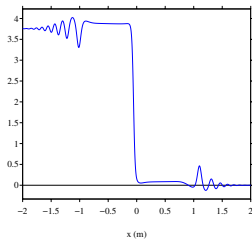
initial data



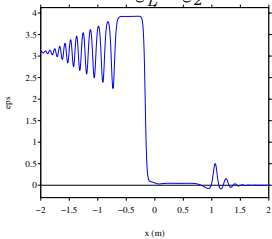
$\varepsilon_L = 6 > \varepsilon_2^0$



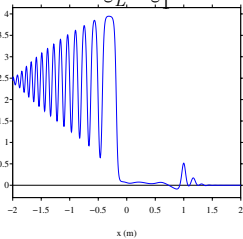
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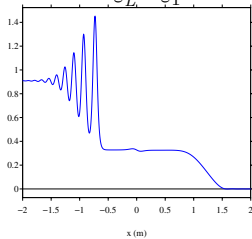
$\varepsilon_L = \varepsilon_2$



$\varepsilon_L = \varepsilon_1^0$



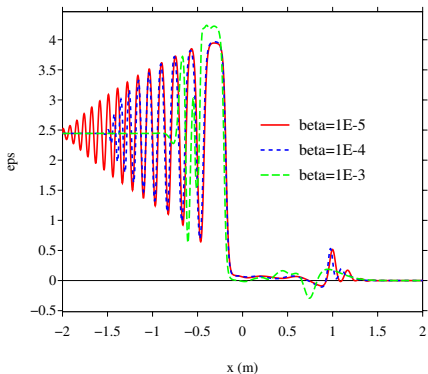
$\varepsilon_L = \varepsilon_1$



Choice of parameters β and λ

- reference solution: no influence of meshing or (β, λ)
- 2 critères: $\Gamma(\beta) > 1$, $\lambda > \lambda_c$
 - ✗ criteria not satisfied ($\beta = 10^{-3}$ left, $\lambda = 5$ right) \leadsto non-convergence
 - ✓ criteria satisfied (other curves) \leadsto convergence towards the reference solution

β variable et $\lambda = 100$



λ variable et $\beta = 10^{-5}$

