

# Nonlocal Dispersals in Spatially Periodic Media

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# 1. Introduction

## Population growth model with nonlocal dispersal

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)(u(t,y) - u(t,x)) dy \right] + uf(x,u) \quad (1)$$

$$t \in \mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

$u(t,x)$  – population density

$$\kappa(z) \geq 0, \kappa(0) > 0, \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(z) dz = 1$$

$\nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)(u(t,y) - u(t,x)) dy \right]$  – nonlocal dispersal

$\nu$  – nonlocal dispersal rate

$f(x,u)$  – growth rate

$f(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i, u) = f(x, u)$  ( $p_i > 0$ ) – spatial periodicity

$f(x, u) < 0$  for  $u \gg 1$ ,  $f_u(x, u) < 0$  for  $u \geq 0$

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## Random dispersal counterpart

$$\frac{\partial u(t, x)}{\partial t} = \nu \Delta u(t, x) + u(t, x) f(x, u) \quad (1)'$$

If  $\kappa(z) = \frac{1}{\delta^N} \tilde{\kappa}(\frac{z}{\delta})$ ,  $\tilde{\kappa}(z) = \tilde{\kappa}(-z)$ ,  $\text{supp} \tilde{\kappa} = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid \|z\| < 1\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)[u(y) - u(x)] dy &= \nu \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \tilde{\kappa}(z)[u(x + \delta z) - u(x)] dz \\ &= \nu \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \tilde{\kappa}(z) \left[ \delta(\nabla u(x) \cdot z) + \frac{\delta^2}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n u_{x_i x_j}(x) z_i z_j + O(\delta^3) \right] dz \\ &= \left( \frac{\nu \delta^2}{2N} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \tilde{\kappa}(z) \|z\|^2 dz \right) \Delta u(x) + O(\delta^3) \end{aligned}$$

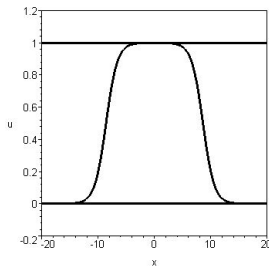
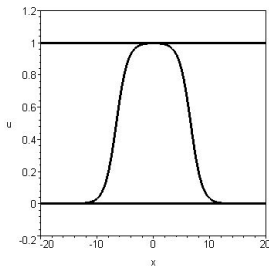
If  $0 < \delta \ll 1$ , expect (1) has similar dynamics as (1)'

*However, the solutions of (1)' have smoothness and compactness properties, while the solutions of (1) have no such properties.*

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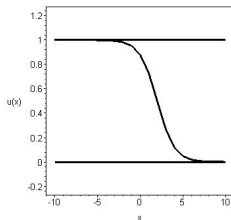
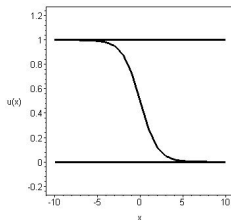
## Central problems

- Stability of  $u \equiv 0$
- Existence of spatially periodic positive stationary solution  $u^*(\cdot)$  (if  $u \equiv 0$  is unstable)
- How fast does the population spread into the region where there is no population initially (if  $u \equiv 0$  is unstable)?



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- Existence of traveling wave solutions connecting 0 and a positive stationary solution  $u^*(\cdot)$  (if  $u \equiv 0$  is unstable and  $u^*(\cdot)$  exists)



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The problems are well understood in the random dispersal case

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \Delta u + uf(x, u), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad (1)'$$

$f_u(x, u) < 0$  for  $u > 0$ ,  $f(x, u) < 0$  for  $u \gg 1$

$u \equiv 0$  is linearly unstable

$\implies$

- $\exists!$  spatially periodic positive stationary solution  $u = u^*(x)$
- $\forall \xi \in S^{N-1}$ ,  $\exists$  a spreading speed  $c^*(\xi)$  in the direction of  $\xi$
- $\forall \xi \in S^{N-1}$ ,  $c \geq c^*(\xi)$ ,  $\exists$  a traveling wave solution  $u(t, x)$  propagating in the direction of  $\xi$  with speed  $c$  and connecting  $u^*(\cdot)$  and 0

*Fisher (1937), Kolmogorov, Petrowsky, Piscunov (1937), Aronson, Weinberger (1975, 1978), H. Weinberger (1982, 2002), M.A. Lewis, B. Li, H. Weinberger (2002), H.*

*Berestycki, F. Hamel, L. Roques (2004, 2005), J.Nolen, J. Xin (2005), L. Xing, X.-Q. Zhao (2007, 2009), Grgoire Nadin (2009), ...*



# 1. Introduction

The problems are not well studied in the nonlocal dispersal case

A basic tool to study the problems:

Spectral theory, in particular, principal eigenvalue theory of nonlocal dispersal operators

$$\begin{cases} \nu[\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)v(y)dy - v(x)] + a(x)v(x) = \lambda v(x) \\ v(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = v(x) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$a(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = a(x)$$

If  $a(x) \equiv \text{constant}$ , by the Krein-Rutman theorem, (2) has a principal eigenvalue

*However, in general, principal eigenvalue theory of nonlocal dispersal operators needs to be developed*

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Definition 2.1.

$$X_p = \{u \in C(\mathbb{R}^N, \mathbb{R}) \mid u(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = u(x)\}$$

Consider

$$\nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)v(y)dy - v(x) \right] + a(x)v(x) = \lambda v(x), \quad v \in X_p$$

or

$$\nu[\mathcal{K} - I]v + a(\cdot)v = \lambda v, \quad v \in X_p \quad (EV)$$

$$\mathcal{K}v = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)v(y)dy, \quad a(\cdot) \in X_p$$

$\sigma(\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I)$  be the spectrum of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$

$\lambda(\nu, a) \in \mathbb{R}$  is called a **principal eigenvalue** of (EV) if

$\lambda(\nu, a)$  is an algebraically simple eigenvalue of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$   
with a positive eigenfunction  $\phi \in X_p$

and for any  $\mu \in \sigma(\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I)$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\mu) < \lambda(\nu, a)$

## 2. Principal Eigenvalue of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Question:

- Does  $\lambda(\nu, a)$  exist?

$$\lambda_0(\nu, a) = \max\{\operatorname{Re}\mu \mid \mu \in \sigma(\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I)\}.$$

$$\lambda_0(\nu, a) \in \sigma(\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I)$$

$$\lambda(\nu, a) = \lambda_0(\nu, a) \text{ if } \lambda(\nu, a) \text{ exists}$$

- Is  $\lambda_0(\nu, a)$  the principal eigenvalue (P.E.) of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$ ?

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

Theorem 2.1 (Necessary and sufficient conditions).

$$a(\cdot) \in X_p$$

$$a_{\max} = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} a(x)$$

$$a_{\min} = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} a(x)$$

- P. E.  $\lambda(\nu, a)$  of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$  exists  
or  $\lambda_0(\nu, a)$  is the P. E. of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$

$\iff$

$$\lambda_0(\nu, a) > -\nu + a_{\max}$$

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Theorem 2.2 (Sufficient conditions).

- (1) If  $\kappa(z) = \frac{1}{\delta^N} \tilde{\kappa}(\frac{z}{\delta})$ , where  $\text{supp}(\tilde{\kappa}) = \{z \mid \|z\| < 1\}$ , then  $\exists \delta_0 > 0$  s. t. the P. E.  $\lambda(\nu, a)$  of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$  exists for all  $0 < \delta < \delta_0$ .
- (2) If  $a_{\max} - a_{\min} < \nu$ , then the P. E.  $\lambda(\nu, a)$  of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$  exists.
- (3) If  $a(\cdot)$  is  $C^N$  and all the partial derivatives of  $a(x)$  up to order  $N - 1$  at  $x_0$  are zero, where  $a(x_0) = a_{\max}$ , then the P. E.  $\lambda(\nu, a)$  of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a(\cdot)I$  exists for all  $\delta > 0$ .

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Biological interpretation

The P. E. of  $\nu[K_\delta - I] + a(\cdot)I$  exists in the following cases

- the nonlocal dispersal is “nearly” local ( $\kappa(z) = \frac{1}{\delta^N} \tilde{\kappa}(\frac{z}{\delta})$  and  $0 < \delta \ll 1$ )
- the periodic habitat is “nearly globally” homogeneous (i.e.  $a_{\max} - a_{\min} < \nu$ )
- the periodic habitat is “nearly” homogeneous in a region where it is most conducive to the population growth (i.e. the partial derivatives of  $a(x)$  up to order  $N - 1$  are zero at some  $x_0$  with  $a(x_0) = a_{\max}$ , **which is always satisfied when  $a(\cdot)$  is  $C^1$  and  $N = 1$  or  $2$** )

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Remarks.

- If  $\delta$  is not small and the periodic habitat is not of the homogeneity mentioned above, the principal eigenvalue of  $\nu[K_\delta - I] + a(\cdot)I$  may not exist  
which reveals some **essential difference between local and nonlocal dispersal operators**
- For any  $a(\cdot) \in X_p$ ,  $\exists a_n(\cdot) \in X_p$ , which are  $C^N$  and “nearly” homogeneous in a region where it is most conducive to the population growth, such that  $a_n(x) \rightarrow a(x)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $X_p$ .
- If  $a_n(\cdot), a(\cdot) \in X_p$  and  $a_n(x) \rightarrow a(x)$  in  $X_p$ , then  $\lambda_0(a_n) \rightarrow \lambda_0(a)$ .
- A similar result as Theorem 2.2 (3) is obtained by J. Coville (2010)
- V. Hutson, S. Martinez, K. Mischaikow, and G. T. Vickers (2003) obtained the existence of P. E. for the case  $N = 1$

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

Theorem 2.3 (Effects of spatial variations).

$$a(\cdot) \in X_p, a(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = a(x)$$

$$\bar{a} = \frac{1}{p_1 p_2 \cdots p_N} \int_0^{p_1} \int_0^{p_2} \cdots \int_0^{p_N} a(x) dx$$

- $\lambda_0(\nu, a) \geq \lambda_0(\nu, \bar{a}) (= \bar{a})$
- $\lambda_0(\nu, a) = \lambda_0(\nu, \bar{a}) \iff a(x) \equiv \bar{a}$



## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

Theorem 2.4 (Effects of dispersal rates).

$$\kappa(z) = \kappa(-z)$$

- $\nu_1 < \nu_2 \implies \lambda_0(\nu_1, a) > \lambda_0(\nu_2, a)$
- $\lambda_0(\nu_0, a)$  is P. E.  $\implies \lambda_0(\nu, a)$  is P. E. for  $\nu \geq \nu_0$
- $\lambda_0(\nu, a)$  is P. E. for  $\nu \gg 1$

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Problems.

- $\nu_1 < \nu_2 \implies \lambda_0(\nu_1, a) > \lambda_0(\nu_2, a)$  for general  $\kappa(\cdot)$ ?
- $a^*(x)$  is the (Schwarz) Steiner periodic rearrangement  $\implies \lambda_0(\nu, a^*) \geq \lambda_0(\nu, a)$ ?
- If  $\kappa(z) = \frac{1}{\delta^N} \tilde{\kappa}(\frac{z}{\delta})$ , put  $\lambda_0(\delta, \nu, a) = \lambda_0(\nu, a)$   
 $\delta_1 < \delta_2 \implies \lambda_0(\delta_1, \nu, a) \geq \lambda_0(\delta_2, \nu, a)$ ?  
 $\lambda_0(\delta_0, \nu, a)$  is the P.E.  $\implies \lambda_0(\delta, \nu, a)$  is the P.E. for  $\delta < \delta_0$ ?

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Problems.

- Principal eigenvalue theory for nonlocal dispersal operators with “Dirichlet type” boundary condition:

$$\nu \left[ \int_D \kappa(y-x)v(y)dy - v(x) \right] + a(x)v(x) = \lambda v(x), \quad x \in \bar{D}$$

*C. Cortazar, M. Elgueta, and J. D. Rossi (2009) obtained some relation between*

$$\nu \rightarrow \int_D \kappa(y-x)v(y)dy - v(x)$$

and

$$\nu \rightarrow \Delta v \quad \text{with} \quad v = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \partial D$$

## 2. Principal Eigenvalues of Nonlocal Dispersal Operators

### Problems.

- Principal eigenvalue theory for nonlocal dispersal operators with “Neumann type” boundary condition:

$$\nu \int_D \kappa(y-x)[v(y) - v(x)]dy + a(x)v(x) = \lambda v(x), \quad x \in \bar{D}$$

*C. Cortazar, M. Elgueta, J. D. Rossi, and N. Wolanski (2007) obtained some relation between*

$$u \rightarrow \int_D \kappa(y-x)(v(y) - v(x))dy$$

and

$$v \rightarrow \Delta v \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \partial D$$

### 3. Spatially Periodic Stationary Solutions of KPP Equations

#### Monostability assumptions

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)(u(t,y) - u(t,x)) dy \right] + uf(x,u) \quad (1)$$

$$f(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i, u) = f(x, u), \quad p_i > 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

**(H1)**  $u \equiv 0$  is linearly unstable, i.e.,  $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0)) > 0$

**(H2)**  $f_u(x, u) < 0$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $u \geq 0$ ,  $f(x, u) < 0$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $u \gg 1$  (e.g.  $f(x, u) = r(x) - u$ )

### 3. Spatially Periodic Stationary Solutions of KPP Equations

#### Basic properties

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)(u(t,y) - u(t,x)) dy \right] + uf(x,u) \quad (1)$$

$$X = C_{\text{unif}}^b(\mathbb{R}^N, \mathbb{R})$$

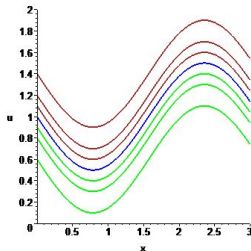
$\forall u_0 \in X$ , (1) has a unique (local) solution  $u(t, x; u_0) (\in X)$  with  $u(0, x; u_0) = u_0(x)$

If  $u_0 \geq 0$ , then  $u(t, x; u_0)$  exists for all  $t \geq 0$  and  $u(t, x; u_0) \geq 0$  for  $t \geq 0$ .

If  $u_0 \in X_p$  and  $u_0 \geq 0$ , then  $u(t, \cdot; u_0) \in X_p$  for  $t \geq 0$

### 3. Spatially Periodic Stationary Solutions of KPP Equations

**Theorem 3.1.** Assume (H1) and (H2). There is a unique spatially periodic positive stationary solution  $u = u^*(x)$  of (1) which is asymptotically stable with respect to any  $u_0 \in X_p$  with  $u_0(x) \geq 0$ ,  $u_0(x) \not\equiv 0$ .



*Works on the existence and uniqueness of  $u^*(\cdot)$ : V. Hutson, S. Martinez, K. Mischaikow, G. T. Vickers (2004); P.W. Bates and Guanyu Zhao (2007); C.-Y. Kao, Y. Lou, and W. Shen (2010); J. Coville (2010)*

### 3. Spatially Periodic Stationary Solutions of KPP Equations

Idea of proof.

(H1)  $\implies \exists a_0(\cdot) \in X_p$  with  $a_0(x) \leq f(x, 0)$ ,  $\lambda_0(\nu, a_0) > 0$  and  $\lambda_0(\nu, a_0)$  is the principal eigenvalue of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a_0(\cdot)I$ .

Let  $\phi_0(\cdot) \in X_p$  be a positive principal eigenfunction of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + a_0(\cdot)I$  and  $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$ .

Then  $u = \epsilon\phi_0$  is a subsolution of (1)  $\implies u(t, \cdot; \epsilon\phi_0)$  increases as  $t$  increases

(H2)  $\implies u \equiv M$  is a supersolution of (1) for  $M \gg 1 \implies$

$u(t, \cdot; M)$  decreases as  $t$  increases

$\implies u^*(x) := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t, x; M) \geq u_*(x) := \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t, x; \epsilon\phi_0) \geq \epsilon\phi_0(x) > 0$

Prove  $u^*(x) = u_*(x)$  and  $u^* \in X_p$ .



### 3. Spatially Periodic Stationary Solutions of KPP Equations

**Remarks.** Let  $\bar{f}(u) := \frac{1}{p_1 p_2 \cdots p_N} \int_0^{p_1} \int_0^{p_2} \cdots \int_0^{p_N} f(x, u) dx$

- $\bar{f}(0) > 0 \implies$  (H1), i.e.,  $u \equiv 0$  is unstable
- $u \equiv 0$  is linearly unstable solution of

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \left[ \int_D \kappa(y-x) u(y) dy - u(x) \right] + u \bar{f}(u)$$

$\implies$

$u \equiv 0$  is linearly unstable solution of (1), but not the viceversa  
Hence **spatial variation favors the population persistence**

- Theorem 3.1 requires  $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0)) > 0$ , but it is not necessary  
 $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0))$  is the P. E. of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + f(\cdot, 0)I$

## 4. Spatial Spreading Speeds of KPP Equations

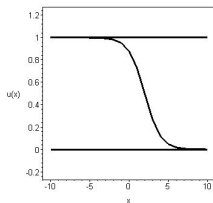
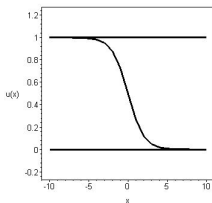
**Definition 4.1.** Assume (H1) and (H2). Given  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$ , let

$$X^+(\xi) = \{u \in X \mid u \geq 0, \liminf_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow -\infty} u(x) > 0, u(x) = 0 \text{ for } x \cdot \xi \gg 1\}$$

$c^*(\xi) \in \mathbb{R}$  is called the **spreading speed** of (1) in the direction of  $\xi$  if for any  $u_0 \in X^+(\xi)$ ,

$$\limsup_{x \cdot \xi \geq c' t, t \rightarrow \infty} u(t, x; u_0) = 0 \quad \forall c' > c^*(\xi)$$

$$\liminf_{x \cdot \xi \leq c'' t, t \rightarrow \infty} |u(t, x; u_0) - u^*(x)| = 0 \quad \forall c'' < c^*(\xi)$$



## 4. Spatial Spreading Speeds of KPP Equations

**Theorem 4.1.** Assume (H1) and (H2).

(1) For given  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$ ,  $c^*(\xi)$  exists

(2)

$$c^*(\xi) = \inf_{\mu > 0} \frac{\lambda_0(\nu, a, \xi, \mu)}{\mu},$$

$$\lambda_0(\nu, a, \xi, \mu) = \max\{\operatorname{Re} \mu \mid \mu \in \sigma(\nu[\mathcal{K}_{\xi, \mu} - I] + a(\cdot)I),$$

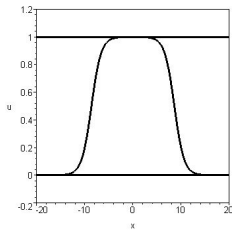
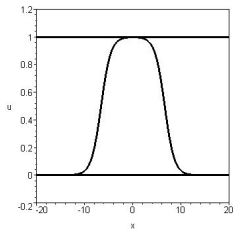
$$(\mathcal{K}_{\xi, \mu} u)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{-\mu(y-x) \cdot \xi} \kappa(y-x) u(y) dy \text{ for } u \in X_p,$$

$$a(x) = f(x, 0)$$

(3) If  $\kappa(z) = \kappa(-z)$ ,  $c^*(\xi) = c^*(-\xi)$

## 4. Spatial Spreading Speeds of KPP Equations

- (4) For any  $u_0 \in X$  with  $u_0 \geq 0$ ,  $u_0(x) > 0$  for  $\|x\| = O(1)$ ,  
 $u_0(x) = 0$  for  $\|x\| \gg 1$ ,



$$\lim_{\|x\| \geq c' t, t \rightarrow \infty} u(t, x; u_0) = 0 \text{ if } c' > \sup_{\xi \in S^{N-1}} c^*(\xi)$$

$$\lim_{\|x\| \leq c'' t, t \rightarrow \infty} [u(t, x; u_0) - u^*(x)] = 0 \text{ if}$$

$$0 < c'' < \inf_{\xi \in S^{N-1}} c^*(\xi)$$

## 4. Spatial Spreading Speeds of KPP Equations

(5)

$$c^*(\xi) \geq \hat{c}^*(\xi) \quad \forall \xi \in S^{N-1}$$

and  $c^*(\xi) = \hat{c}^*(\xi)$  for some  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$  iff  $f(x, 0) \equiv \hat{f}(0)$   
(provided  $\hat{f}(0) > 0$ ),  $\hat{c}^*(\xi)$  be the spreading speed of

$$u_t = \nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x) u(t, y) dy - u(t, x) \right] + \hat{f}(u)$$

in the direction of  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$ ,

$$\hat{f}(u) = \frac{1}{p_1 p_2 \cdots p_N} \int_0^{p_1} \int_0^{p_2} \cdots \int_0^{p_N} f(x, u) dx$$

**Spatial variation speeds up the spatial spreading!**

## 4. Spatial Spreading Speeds of KPP Equations

- (6) Write  $c^*(\xi)$  as  $c^*(\nu, \xi)$  to indicate the dependence of the spreading speed on the dispersal rate  $\nu$

$f(x, u) \equiv f(u) \implies c^*(\nu, \xi)$  increases as  $\nu$  increases

- (7) If  $\kappa(z) = \frac{1}{\delta N} \tilde{\kappa}(\frac{z}{\delta})$ , write  $c^*(\xi)$  as  $c^*(\delta, \xi)$  to indicate the dependence of the spreading speed on the dispersal distance  $\delta$

$f(x, u) \equiv f(u) \implies c^*(\delta, \xi)$  increases as  $\delta$  increases

## 4. Spatial Spreading Speeds of KPP Equations

### Remarks and problems.

- Whether  $c^*(\nu, \xi)$  increases as  $\nu$  increases in general?
- Whether  $c^*(\delta, \xi)$  increases as  $\delta$  increases in general?
- Theorem 4.1 requires  $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0)) > 0$ , but it is not necessary  $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0))$  is the P. E. of  $\nu[\mathcal{K} - I] + f(\cdot, 0)I$

## 5. Traveling Wave Solutions of KPP Equations

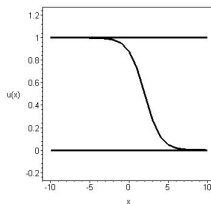
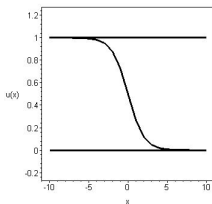
**Definition 5.1.** Assume (H1) and (H2).

A solution  $u(t, x)$  is called a **traveling wave solution** of (1) in the direction of  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$  with speed  $c$  if

$$u(t, x) = \phi(x - ct\xi, ct\xi)$$

for some  $\phi(x, z)$  satisfying that  $\phi(x, z) \geq 0$ ,  $\phi(\cdot, z) \in X$ ,  $\phi(x, \cdot) \in X_p$ ,

$$\lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow -\infty} [\phi(x, z) - u^*(x + z)] = 0, \lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x, z) = 0$$





## 5. Traveling Wave Solutions of KPP Equations

### Equivalent definition

Assume  $u(t, x) = \phi(x - ct\xi, ct\xi)$  is a T. W. solution.

Let  $\psi(x, z) = \phi(x, z - x)$ . Then

$$u(t, x) = \psi(x - ct\xi, x)$$

$$\psi(x, \cdot) \in X_p, \psi(x, z) \geq 0$$

$$\lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow -\infty} [\psi(x, z) - u^*(z)] = 0, \lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow \infty} \psi(x, z) = 0$$

We can also define a T. W. solution to be a solution of the form  $u(t, x) = \psi(x - ct\xi, x)$

$$\psi(x, \cdot) \in X_p, \psi(x, z) \geq 0$$

$$\lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow -\infty} [\psi(x, z) - u^*(z)] = 0, \lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow \infty} \psi(x, z) = 0$$

## 5. Traveling Wave Solutions of KPP Equations

**Theorem 5.1.** Assume (H1) and (H2). Additionally, assume  $\text{supp}(\kappa)$  is compact and  $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0), \mu, \xi)$  is P.E.

- (1) (Nonexistence) For given  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$ , there is no T. W. in the direction of  $\xi$  with speed  $c < c^*(\xi)$ .
- (2) (Existence) For any  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$  and  $c > c^*(\xi)$ ,  $\exists \phi(\cdot, \cdot) \in C(\mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N, \mathbb{R}^+)$  such that  $u(t, x) = \phi(x - ct\xi, ct\xi)$  is a T. W. of (1).
- (3) (Uniqueness) For given  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$  and  $c > c^*(\xi)$ , if  $u = \tilde{\phi}(x - ct\xi, ct\xi)$  is also a traveling wave solution of (1) and  $\lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tilde{\phi}(x, z)}{\phi(x, z)} = 1$ , then  $\tilde{\phi}(x, z) \equiv \phi(x, z)$ .

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- (4) (Stability) For given  $\xi \in S^{N-1}$ ,  $c > c^*(\xi)$ , and  $u_0 \in C_{\text{unif}}^b(\mathbb{R}^N, \mathbb{R}^+)$  with  $\liminf_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow -\infty} u_0(x) > 0$  and  $\lim_{x \cdot \xi \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_0(x)}{\phi(x, 0)} = 1$ , then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} \left| \frac{u(t, x, u_0)}{\phi(x - ct\xi, ct\xi)} - 1 \right| = 0.$$

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### Remarks and problems

- $\text{supp}(\kappa)$  is compact is a technical assumption
- In a recent work of J. Coville, J. Dávila, S. Martínez, under the same conditions of Theorem 5.1, the authors showed the existence of T. W. for any  $c \geq c^*(\xi)$
- The uniqueness and stability of T. W. in the direction of  $\xi$  with speed  $c = c^*(\xi)$  have not been studied
- It is open whether T. W. exists if  $\lambda_0(\nu, f(\cdot, 0), \xi, \mu)$  is not P. E.

## 6. Other Related Works

### KPP equations in locally spatially inhomogeneous media

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x) u(t, y) dy - u(t, x) \right] + u f(x, u), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad (3)$$

$$f_u(x, u) < 0 \text{ for } u \geq 0, \quad f(x, u) < 0 \text{ for } u \gg 1$$

$$f(x, u) = f_0(u) \text{ for } \|x\| \gg 1$$

$$f_0(0) > 0 \text{ (hence } \exists! u_0^* > 0 \text{ s. t. } f_0(u_0^*) = 0)$$

$\implies$

- (3) has a unique positive stationary solution  $u^*(\cdot)$  with

$$\lim_{\|x\| \rightarrow \infty} u^*(x) = u_0^*$$

- $\forall \xi \in S^{N-1}$ , (3) has a spreading speed  $c^*(\xi)$  in the direction of  $\xi$  and  $c^*(\xi) = c_0^*(\xi)$ ,  $c_0^*(\xi)$  is the spreading speed of

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \left[ \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x) u(t, y) dy - u(t, x) \right] + u f_0(u), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

## 6. Other Related Works

### Competition system with nonlocal dispersal

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu_1 \left[ \int_D \kappa(y-x) u(t,y) dy - u(t,x) \right] \\ \quad + u(a_1(x) - b_1(x)u - c_1(x)v), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N \\ \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \nu_2 \left[ \int_D \kappa(y-x) v(t,y) dy - v(t,x) \right] \\ \quad + v(a_2(x) - b_2(x)u - c_2(x)v), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

$$a_j(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = a_j(x), \quad b_j(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = b_j(x), \quad c_j(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = c_j(x)$$

Consider (4) in  $X_p \times X_p$

- Which species can invade when rare?
- When both species can coexist?

(Georg Hetzer, Tung Nguyen, Wenxian Shen)

## 6. Other Related Works

### Random dispersal vs nonlocal dispersal

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \Delta u + u(a(x) - u - v), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \kappa(y-x)v(t,y)dy - v + v(a(x) - u - v), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

$$a(x + p + i\mathbf{e}_i) = a(x)$$

Consider (5) in  $X_p \times X_p$

- Which species can invade when rare?

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## 6. Other Related Works

### Evolution of mixed dispersal

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu_1 \left[ \tau_1 \Delta u + (1 - \tau_1) \mathcal{K}u \right] + u [a(x) - u - v], & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \nu_2 \left[ \tau_2 \Delta v + (1 - \tau_2) \mathcal{K}v \right] + v [a(x) - u - v], & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$a(x + p_i \mathbf{e}_i) = a(x)$$

Consider (6) in  $X_p \times X_p$

- Which species can invade when rare?
- When both species can coexist?

(Chiu-Yen Kao, Yuan Lou, and Wenxian Shen)



THANK YOU!