

# Blood flow through a curved artery

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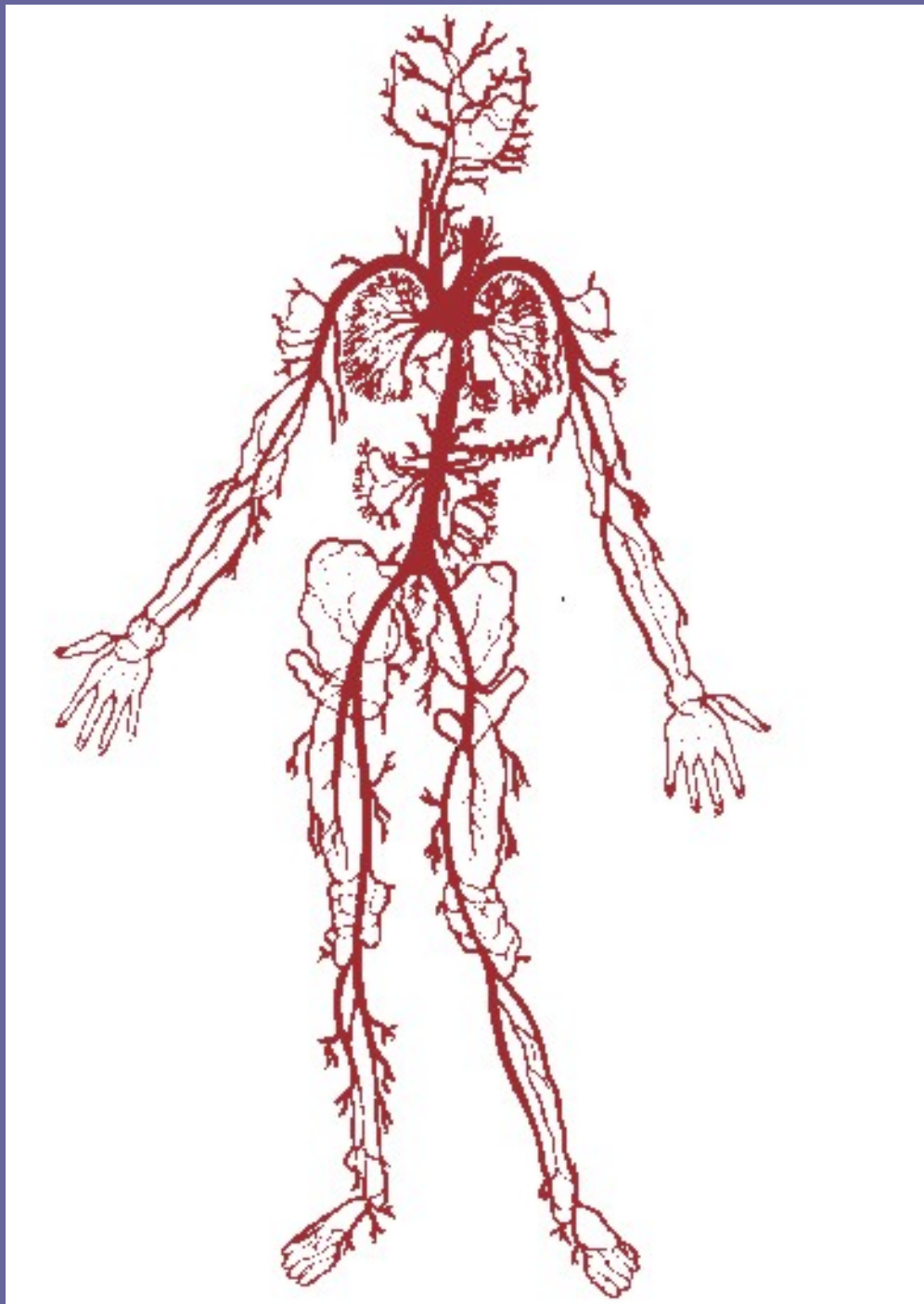
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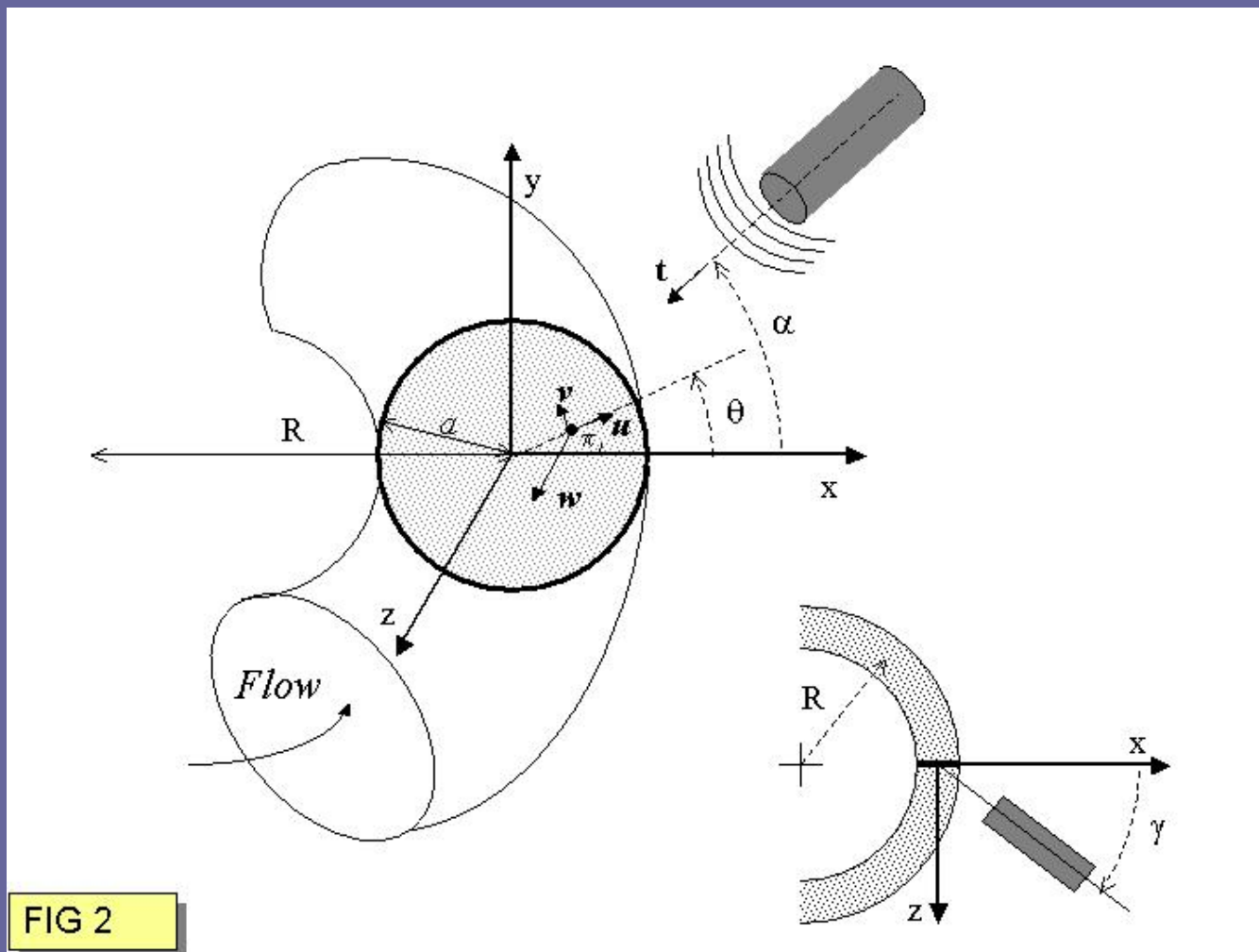
Circulatory system

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Oscillatory Flow in Thin-Walled Curved Elastic Tubes,  
*Annals of Biomedical Engineering* 2, 392–412 (1974)

# Project

- Mechanical model
- Problem formulation
- Solution procedure
- Results (velocity, pressure, tangential stress)

*starting from scratch and self contained*



Laser Doppler ultrasound measurement (C. Guiot, Univ. Torino)

# Motivations

- To provide velocity patterns for flux measurement
- To get some *ansatz* for one dimensional modelling

## Basic references

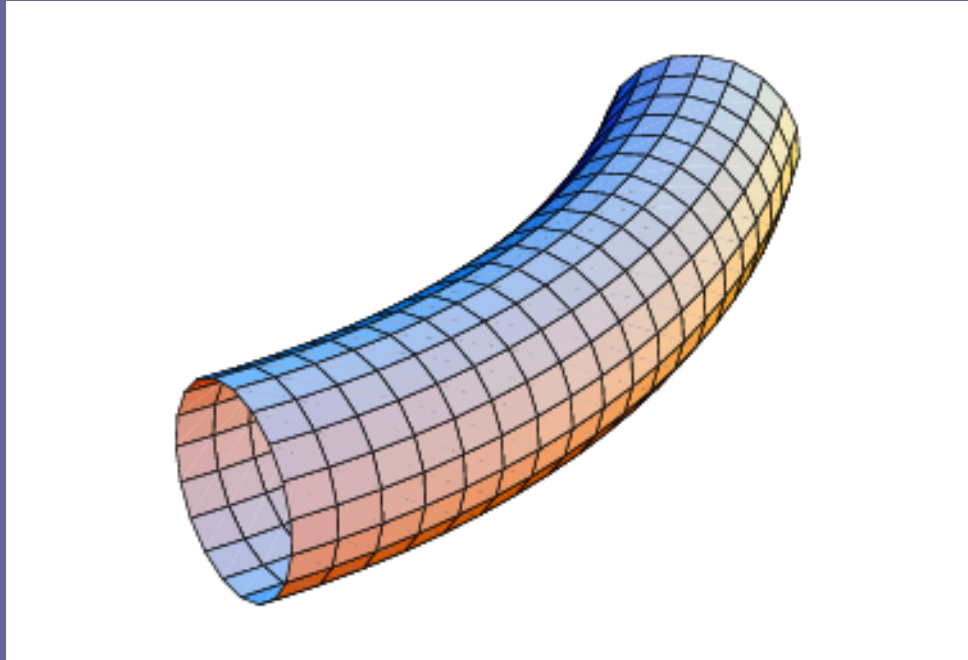
axis	rigid wall	elastic wall	flow
cur	Dean (1927)		steady
str	Womersley (1955)	Morgan, Kiely (1953) Womersley (1955, 1957) Atabek (1968)	unsteady
cur	Lyne (1970) Smith (1975) Mullin, Greated (1980)	Chandran et al. (1974)	unsteady

Review paper: Berger, Talbot, Yao (1983).

# Outline

- 3D Navier-Stokes equations (blood)
- 2D membrane model (wall)
- Linearization
- Wave propagating over a Poiseuille flow
- Curvature as a small perturbation
- Computer algebra for equation generation
- Numerical results and visualization





$$\frac{a}{R} = 0.1$$

# Model features and assumptions

- 3D unsteady fully developed flow
- Planar curved axis (toroidal shape)
- Elastic wall

## Wall model (membrane)

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{b} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{T} \mathbf{n} - \rho_w \ddot{\mathbf{u}}$$

$\rho_w$  wall mass density

$\mathbf{S}$  membrane stress tensor

$\mathbf{T}$  fluid stress tensor

## Linear elastic isotropic wall

$$\hat{\mathbf{S}}(\mathbf{E}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{hE}{1-\sigma^2}(\epsilon_{\theta\theta} + \sigma\epsilon_{\psi\psi}) & 2hG\epsilon_{\theta\psi} \\ 2hG\epsilon_{\theta\psi} & \frac{hE}{1-\sigma^2}(\epsilon_{\psi\psi} + \sigma\epsilon_{\theta\theta}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$E$  Young modulus

$G$  shear modulus

$\sigma$  Poisson ratio

$h$  wall thickness

# Blood model (newtonian fluid)

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{T} - \rho \mathbf{a} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{T} = -p \mathbf{I} + \mu (\nabla \mathbf{v} + (\nabla \mathbf{v})^T)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = 0$$

$\rho$  mass density

$\mu$  viscosity

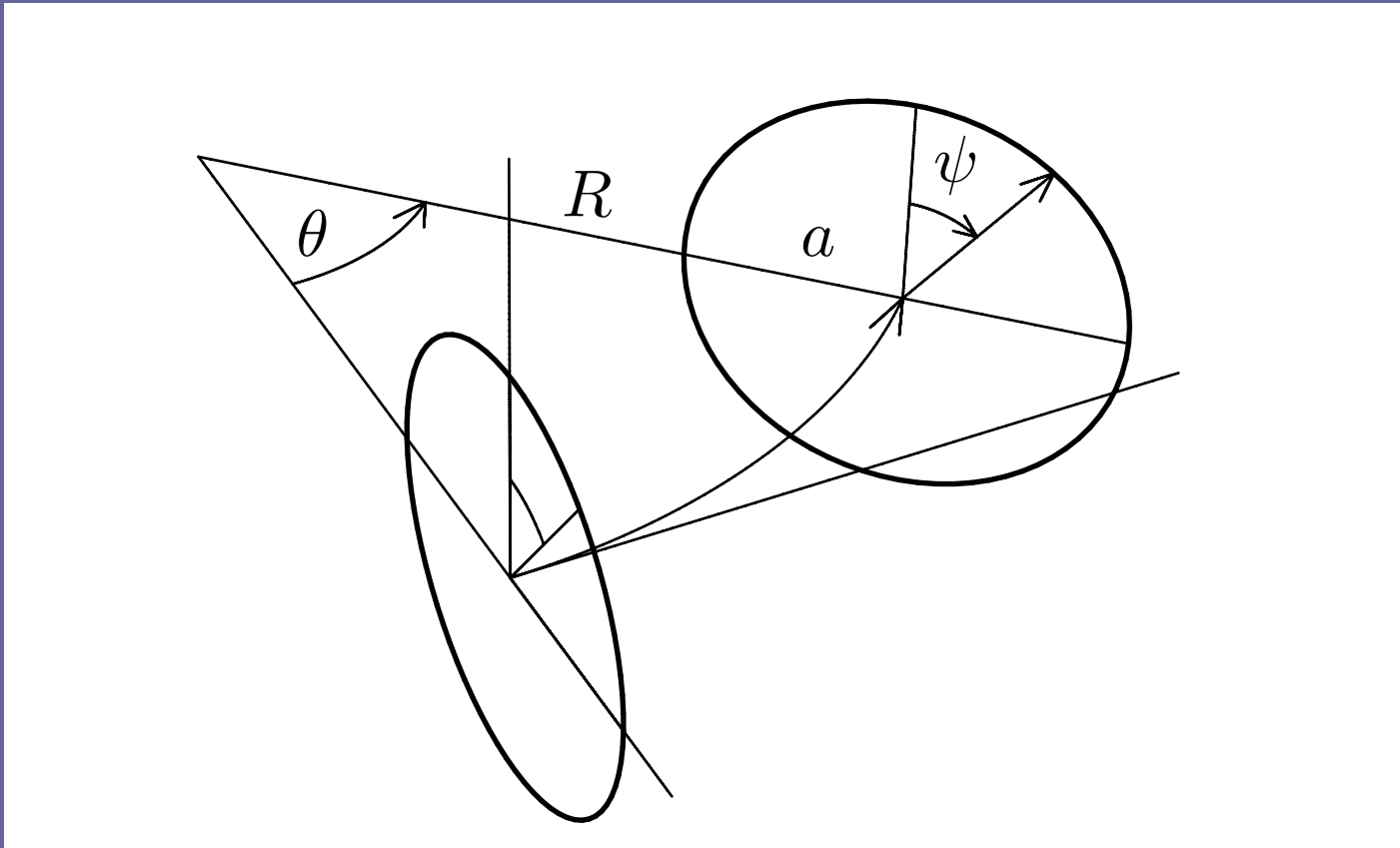
## Blood model (Navier-Stokes)

$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + (\nabla \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{v} \right) = -\nabla p + \mu \Delta \mathbf{v}$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \dot{\mathbf{u}} \quad (\text{no slip condition at the wall})$$

# Toroidal coordinate system



# Wave propagation



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steady flow in a curved tube  
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Linearization of the flow equations over  $\bar{\chi}$ .

# Perturbation method

$$\chi = \chi_0 + \varepsilon\chi_1 + \varepsilon^2\chi_2 + \varepsilon^3\chi_3 + \dots$$

$$\varepsilon := \frac{a}{R} \quad (\text{Curvature parameter})$$

$$(\bar{\chi}_0 + \varepsilon\bar{\chi}_1) + (\tilde{\chi}_0 + \varepsilon\tilde{\chi}_1) e^{i(\omega t - kz)}$$

# Scaling

$$\lambda = \frac{\omega}{k}, \quad \frac{a}{\lambda} \ll 1$$

$$\frac{u}{w} = O\left(\frac{a}{\lambda}\right), \quad \frac{v}{w} = O\left(\frac{a}{\lambda}\right), \quad \frac{\overline{\partial z}}{w} = O\left(\frac{a}{\lambda}\right)$$

$$\mathbf{v} \mapsto (u, v, w)$$

## Different stages

- Linearization (wave amplitude)
- Perturbation (curvature)
- Scaling (wave length)

# Linearized flow equations

$$\mathbf{v} \mapsto (u, v, w)$$

$$\rho \left\{ \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \frac{2\bar{w} w \sin \psi}{R + r \sin \psi} \right\} =$$

$$-\frac{\partial p}{\partial r} + \mu \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \psi^2} + \frac{\sin \psi}{R + r \sin \psi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right.$$

$$+ \frac{\cos \psi}{r (R + r \sin \psi)} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \psi} - \frac{u}{r^2} - \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \psi} - \frac{v R \cos \psi}{r (R + r \sin \psi)^2}$$

$$\left. - \frac{2 \sin \psi}{(R + r \sin \psi)^2} \frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta} - \frac{u \sin^2 \psi}{(R + r \sin \psi)^2} - \frac{2v \sin \psi \cos \psi}{(R + r \sin \psi)^2} \right\} \quad (\text{radial})$$

# Linearized flow equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho \left\{ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \frac{2\bar{w} w \cos \psi}{R + r \sin \psi} \right\} &= -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \psi} + \mu \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \psi^2} + \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \psi} \right. \\
 &+ \frac{uR \cos \psi}{r (R + r \sin \psi)^2} + \frac{\sin \psi}{R + r \sin \psi} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \psi}{r (R + r \sin \psi)} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \psi} - \frac{v}{r^2} \\
 &\left. - \frac{2 \cos \psi}{(R + r \sin \psi)^2} \frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta} - \frac{v \cos^2 \psi}{(R + r \sin \psi)^2} \right\} \quad \text{(circumferential)}
 \end{aligned}$$



# Linearized flow equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = -\frac{R}{R + r \sin \psi} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \mu \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial \psi^2} + \frac{\sin \psi}{R + r \sin \psi} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \psi}{r (R + r \sin \psi)} \frac{\partial w}{\partial \psi} - \frac{w}{(R + r \sin \psi)^2} \right\} \text{ (axial)}$$

# Wall equations

$$\mathbf{u} \mapsto (\eta, \xi, \zeta)$$

$$\rho_w h \frac{\partial^2 \eta}{\partial t^2} = \left[ p - 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right]_{r=a} - \frac{hE}{1 - \sigma^2} \left[ \frac{\eta + \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \psi}}{a^2} + \frac{\sin \psi \left( \eta \sin \psi + \xi \cos \psi + \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \theta} \right)}{(R + a \sin \psi)^2} \right]$$

$$- \frac{\sigma hE}{1 - \sigma^2} \left[ \frac{\sin \psi \left( 2\eta + \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \psi} \right) + \xi \cos \psi + \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \theta}}{a(R + a \sin \psi)} \right]$$

(radial)

# Wall equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_w h \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial t^2} = & -\mu \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \psi} - \frac{v}{r} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} \right]_{r=a} + \frac{hE}{1-\sigma^2} \left[ \frac{\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \psi} + \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial \psi^2}}{a^2} + \cos \psi \left( \frac{\eta + \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \psi}}{a(R + a \sin \psi)} \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. - \frac{\eta \sin \psi + \xi \cos \psi + \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \theta}}{(R + a \sin \psi)^2} \right) \right] + \frac{\sigma hE}{1-\sigma^2} \left[ \frac{-\xi \sin \psi + \sin \psi \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \psi} + \frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial \psi \partial \theta}}{a(R + a \sin \psi)} \right] \\
 & + hG \left[ \frac{\frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial \theta \partial \psi}}{a(R + a \sin \psi)} + \frac{\frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial \theta^2} - \cos \psi \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \theta}}{(R + a \sin \psi)^2} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

(circumferential)

# Wall equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_w h \frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial t^2} = & -\mu \left[ \frac{1}{R + a \sin \psi} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} - \frac{w \sin \psi}{R + a \sin \psi} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} \right]_{r=a} \\
 + \frac{hE}{1 - \sigma^2} & \left[ \frac{\sin \psi \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \theta} + \cos \psi \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial \theta^2}}{(R + a \sin \psi)^2} \right] + \frac{\sigma hE}{1 - \sigma^2} \left[ \frac{\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial \psi \partial \theta}}{a(R + a \sin \psi)} \right] \\
 + hG & \left[ \frac{1}{a^2} \frac{\partial^2 \zeta}{\partial \psi^2} + \frac{\frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial \psi \partial \theta} + \zeta \sin \psi + \cos \psi \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \psi}}{a(R + a \sin \psi)} + \frac{\cos \psi \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \theta} - \zeta \cos^2 \psi}{(R + a \sin \psi)^2} \right]
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(axial)

# Perturbation method

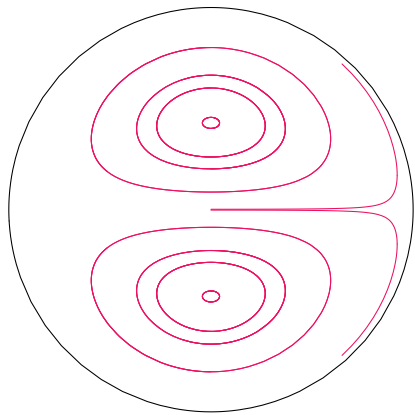
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# 0-th order and 1-st order solutions (steady flow)

Dean's solution



# 0-th order solution (unsteady flow)

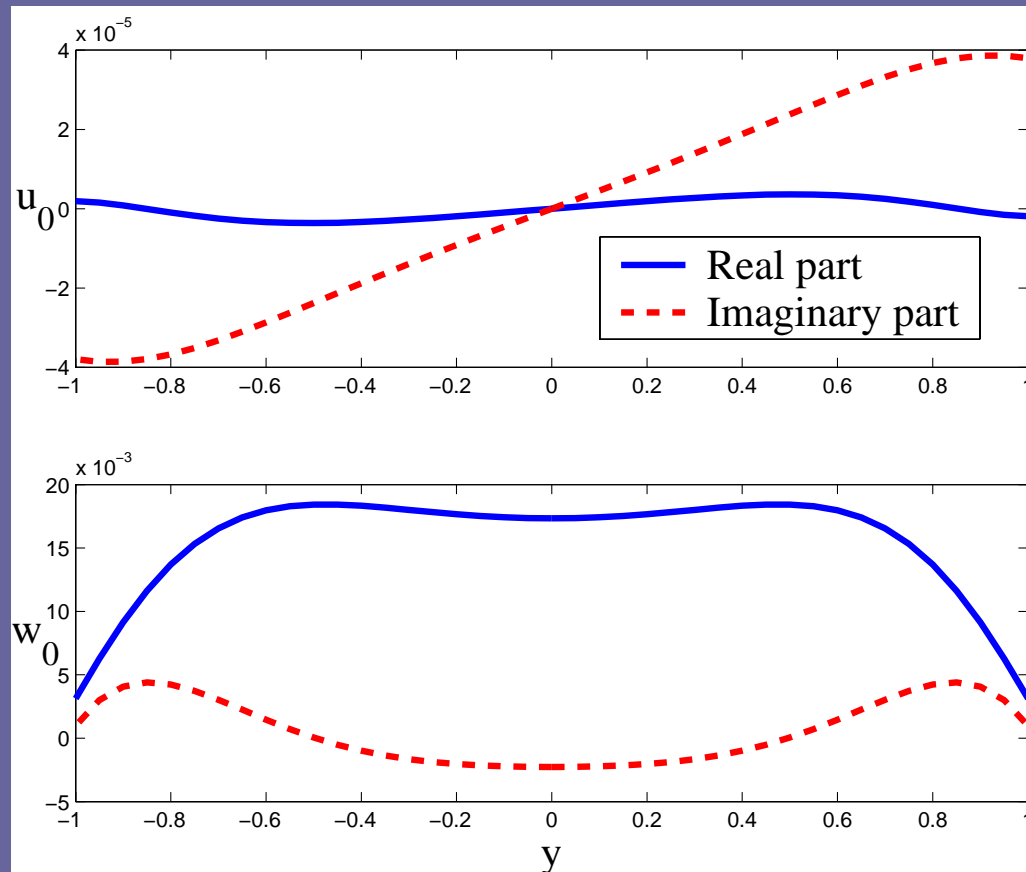
Womersley's solution

- Straight axis
- Homogeneous equations
- Axisymmetric solution
- Frequency equation



# Womersley's solution

Axisymmetric flow in a straight elastic tube



# 1-th order solution (unsteady flow)

$$\frac{du_1}{dy} + \frac{u_1}{y} - \frac{v_1}{y} - ikaw_1 = -(ikayw_0 + u_0)$$

$$\frac{d^2u_1}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{y} \frac{du_1}{dy} - \left( \frac{2}{y^2} + i\alpha^2 \right) u_1 + \frac{2v_1}{y^2} - \frac{a}{\mu} \frac{dp_1}{dy} = - \left( \frac{du_0}{dy} + 2ika w_0 + \frac{2a\bar{w}_0}{\nu} w_0 \right)$$

$$\frac{d^2v_1}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{y} \frac{dv_1}{dy} - \left( \frac{2}{y^2} + i\alpha^2 \right) v_1 + \frac{2u_1}{y^2} - \frac{ap_1}{\mu y} = - \left( \frac{u_0}{y} + 2ikaw_0 + \frac{2a\bar{w}_0}{\nu} w_0 \right)$$

$$\frac{d^2w_1}{dy^2} + \frac{1}{y} \frac{dw_1}{dy} - \left( \frac{1}{y^2} + i\alpha^2 \right) w_1 + \frac{ika^2}{\mu} p_1 = - \left( \frac{dw_0}{dy} - \frac{ika^2 y}{\mu} p_0 \right)$$

$$\left( \alpha := a \sqrt{\frac{\rho \omega}{\mu}} \quad \text{Womersley number} \right)$$

# Wave solution

Assembling the 0-th and 1-th order solutions

$$(\chi_0 + \varepsilon\chi_1) e^{i(\omega t - kz)}$$

## Full solution

Superposing the steady solution

$$(\bar{\chi}_0 + \varepsilon \bar{\chi}_1) + (\chi_0 + \varepsilon \chi_1) e^{i(\omega t - kz)}$$

Steady flow

Unsteady flow

Harmonic form

$$\chi = \bar{\chi} + [\operatorname{Re}(\tilde{\chi}) \cos(\omega t - \operatorname{Re}(k)z) - \operatorname{Im}(\tilde{\chi}) \sin(\omega t - \operatorname{Re}(k)z)] e^{\operatorname{Im}(k)z}$$

## Numerical results

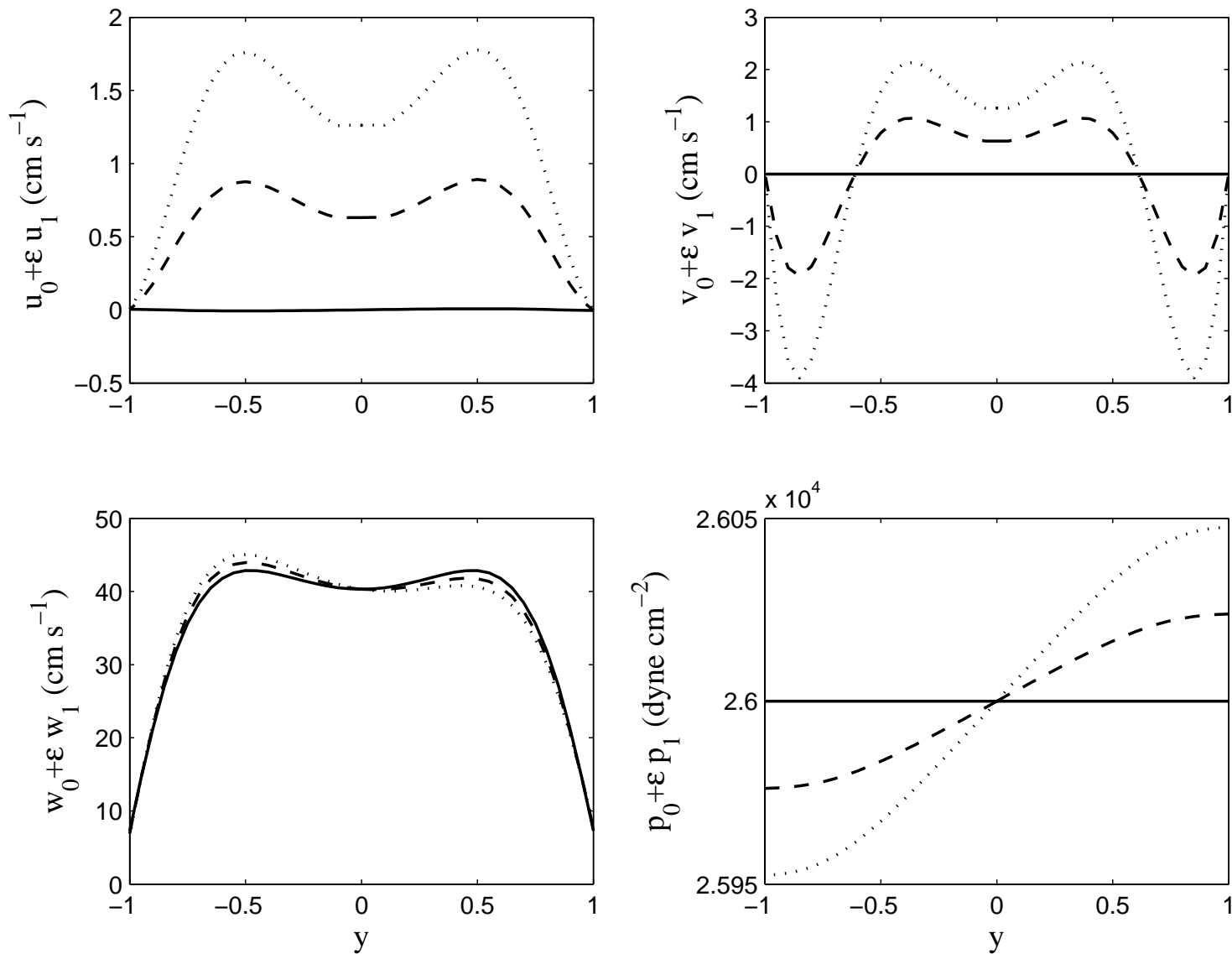
$$E = 10^7 \text{ dynes/cm}^2 \quad h = 0.05 \text{ cm} \quad \sigma = 0.5$$

$$\omega = 2\pi \text{ s}^{-1} \quad a = 0.5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\mu = 0.04 \text{ g/cm s} \quad \rho = \rho_w = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$A = 26000 \text{ dyne/cm}^2 \quad \frac{d\bar{p}_0}{dz} = 7 \text{ dyne/cm}^3$$

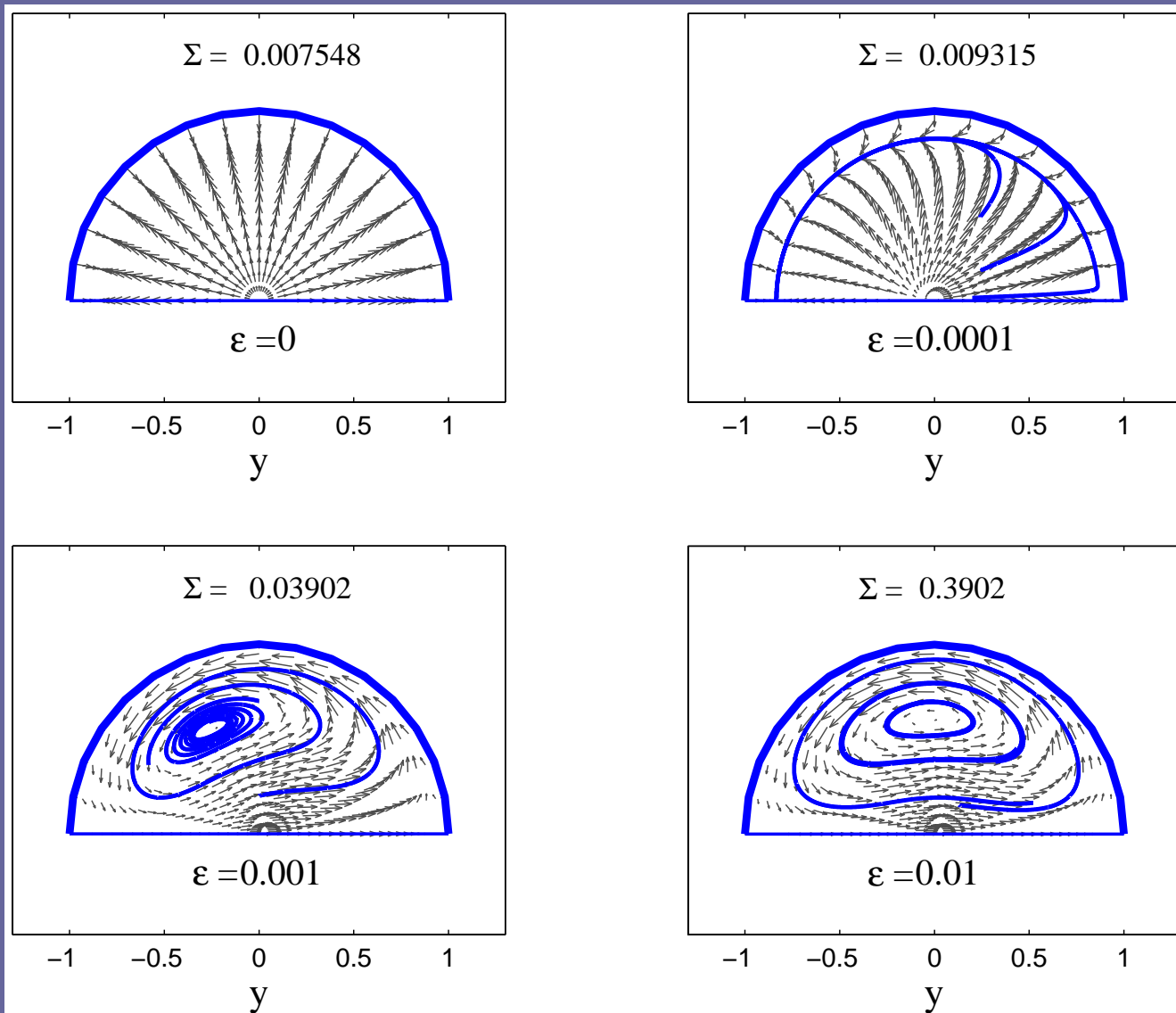
$$\Delta y = 0.02$$



Unsteady solution:  $\tilde{\chi}_0 + \varepsilon \tilde{\chi}_1$

$\varepsilon = 0$  (continuous line),  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  (dashed line),  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  (dotted line).

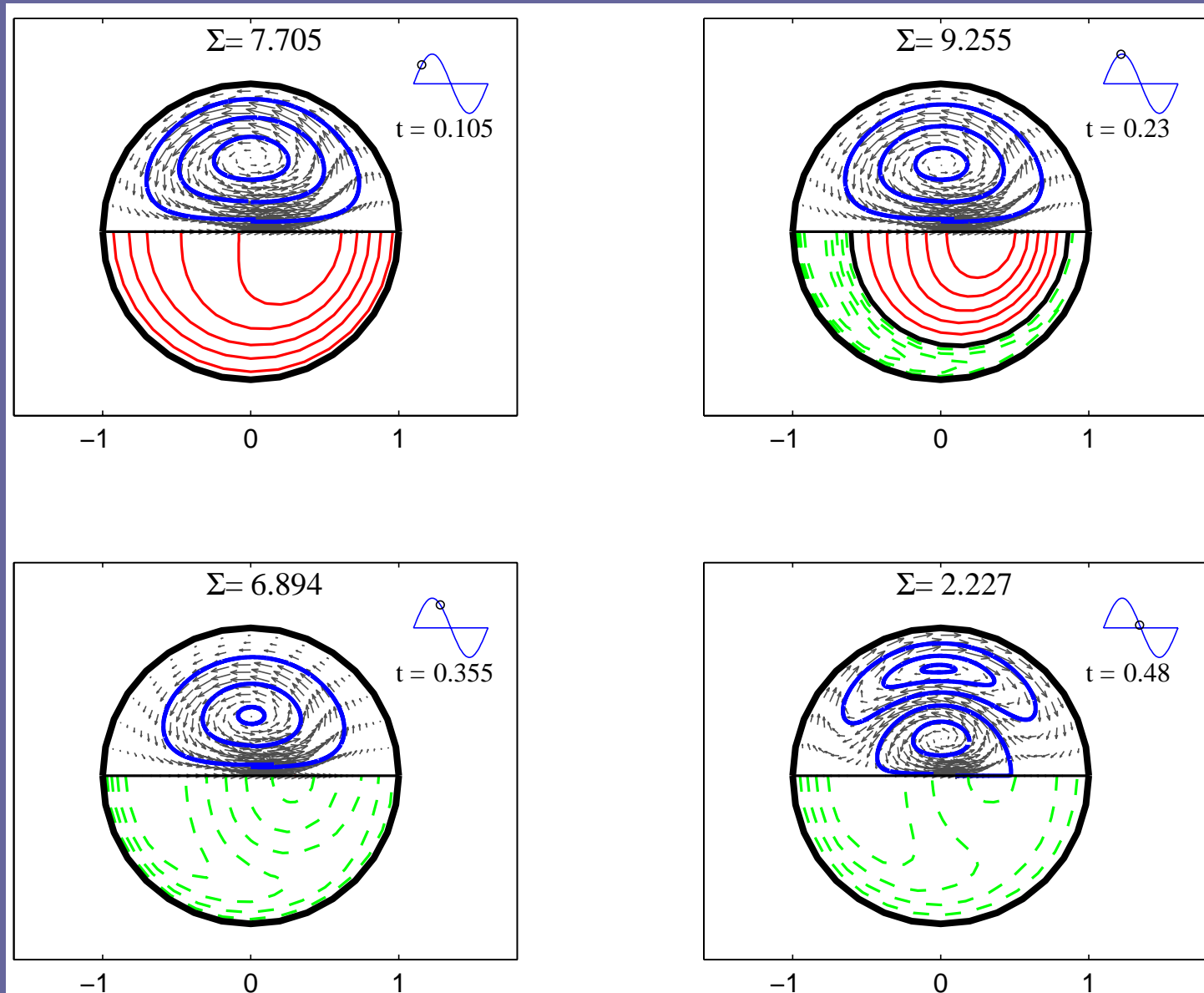
## Secondary flow at $t = 0, z = 0$ : $\tilde{\chi}_0 + \varepsilon\tilde{\chi}_1$



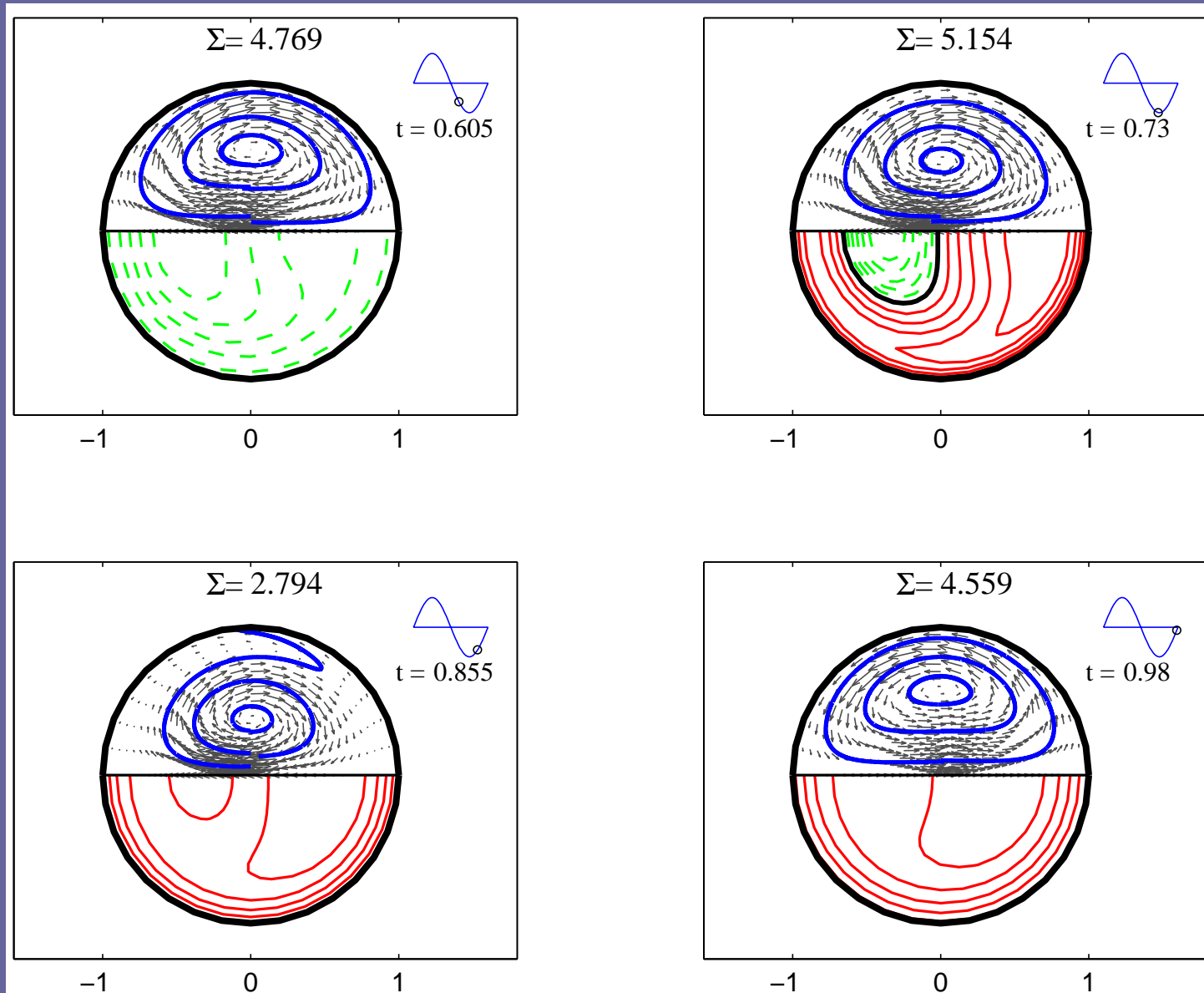




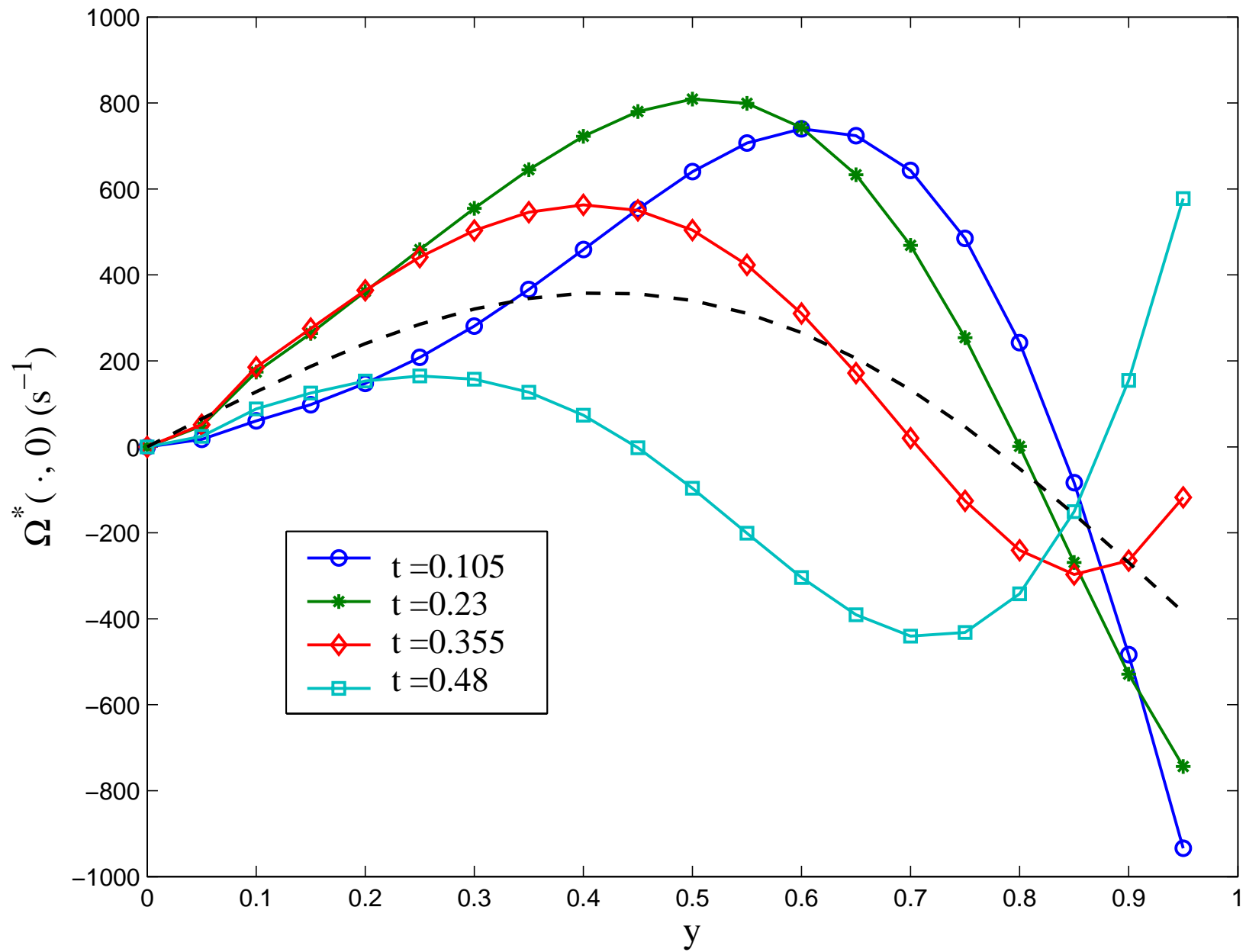
Secondary flow at  $z = 0$ :  $\bar{\chi} + \tilde{\chi}e^{i(\omega t - kz)}$ ,  $\varepsilon = 0.1$



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### Vorticity curves at $z = 0, \varepsilon = 0.1$



# Influence of the wall elasticity

–	$E = 5 \cdot 10^5$	$E = 10^7$	$E = 10^9$	$E = 10^{11}$	$E = 10^{13}$
$k$	0.0422	0.0095	$9.45 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$9.45 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$9.45 \cdot 10^{-6}$
$\max_{\psi}  \tilde{\eta} $	0.2349	$1.172 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.172 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.172 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.172 \cdot 10^{-8}$
$\max_{\psi}  \tilde{\xi} $	0.00512	$2.72 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.76 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2.76 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$2.76 \cdot 10^{-10}$
$\max_{\psi}  \tilde{\zeta} $	1.7836	0.3988	0.0398	$3.98 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.98 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$\max_{y,\psi}  \tilde{w} $	200.64	45.061	4.511	0.451	0.0451
$\max_y  \tilde{\Omega}^*(\cdot, 0) $	4234.67	946.80	94.675	9.4671	0.9467
$\max_{\psi}  \tilde{\tau}_{\psi} $	16.93	3.787	0.378	0.037	0.0037
$\max_{\psi}  \tilde{\tau}_z $	58.35	13.125	1.3146	0.1315	0.0131