# The Art of Mixing with an Admixture of Art: Fluids, Solids, and Visual Imagination

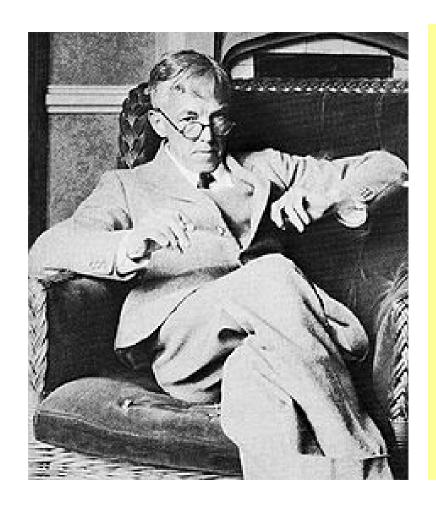
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There is no scorn more profound, or on the whole more justifiable, than that of the men who make for the men who explain. Exposition, criticism, appreciation, is work for second-rate minds.

G.H. Hardy, *A Mathematician's Apology* (London 1941)

# Creativity in Science and Art – Concept of Genius Immanuel Kant (1724-1804), *Critique of Judgment*



"Newton could show how he took every one of the steps he had to take to get from the first elements of geometry to his great and profound discoveries," Kant wrote, "not only to himself but to everyone else as well, in an intuitively clear way, allowing others to follow."

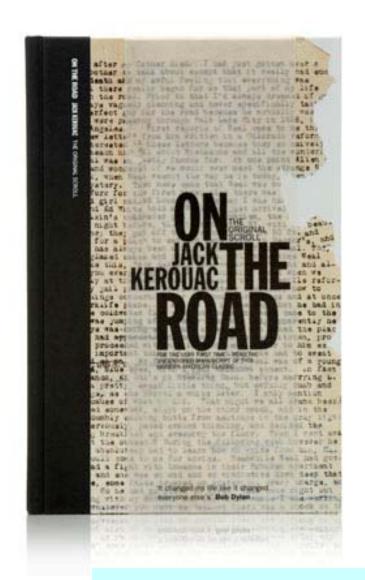
This is not the case with Homer and other great poets. "One cannot learn to write inspired poetry," continued Kant, "… however superb its models."

More...

"... had Newton or Leibnitz never lived, the world would have had the calculus, but that if Beethoven had not lived, we would never have had the C-Minor Symphony"

(Bernard Cohen, in *Franklin and Newton*, in remark attributed to Einstein)

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Jack Kerouac (1922-1969)

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Willem de Kooning (1904-1997)

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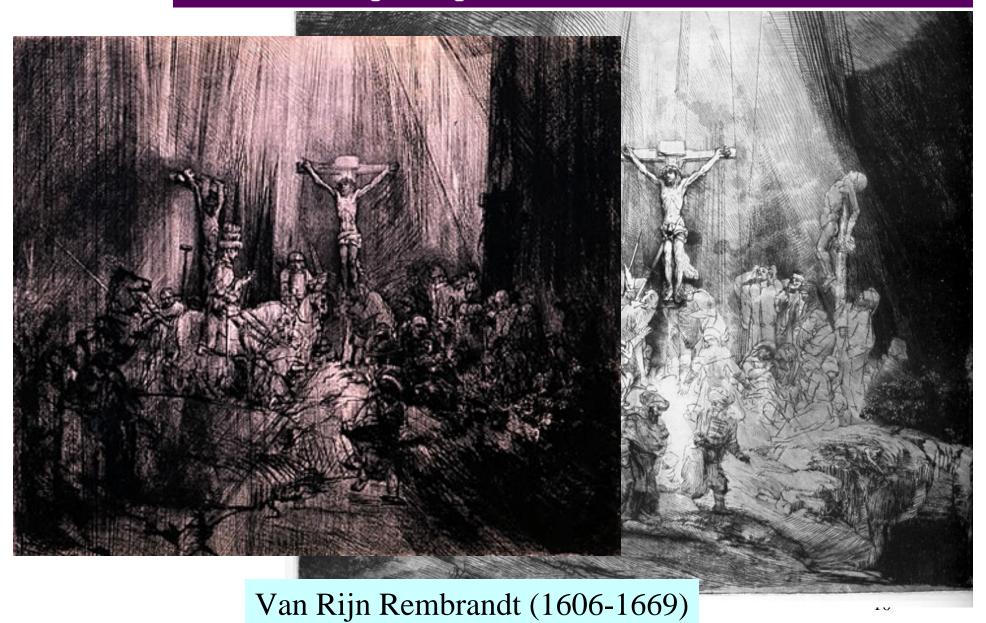


Pablo Picasso (1881-1973)

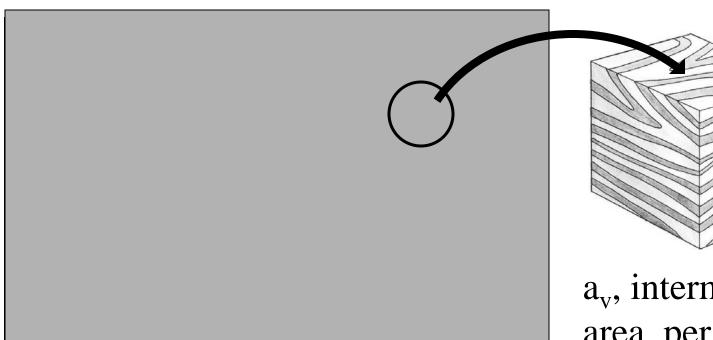
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## Conceptual Picture of Mixing – Lamellar Structures



Continuum theory in terms of a<sub>v</sub>

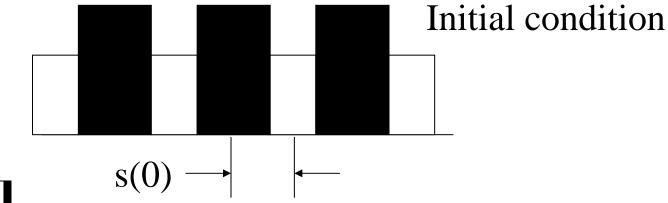
a<sub>v</sub>, intermaterial area, per unit volume, s~1/a<sub>v</sub> striation thickness

Ottino, 1979

Fast reaction  $A+B \rightarrow P$ 

1D view

striation thickness



Infinite rate of reaction

 $\bigcap_{s(t)} \bigcap_{s(t)} \bigcap$ 

After time t

striation thickness

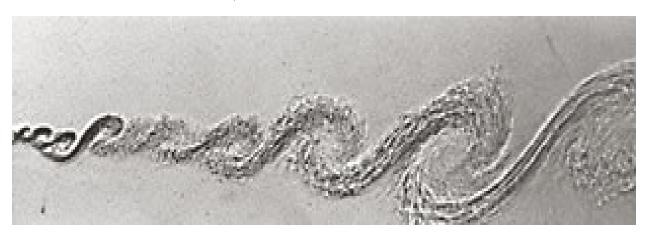
fluid mechanical history contained in s=f(t)

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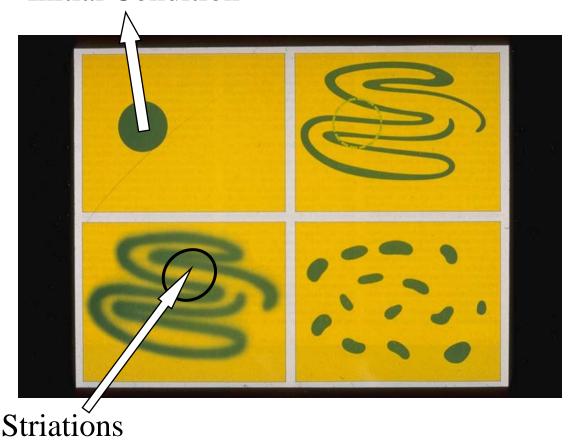
Roshko, 1976

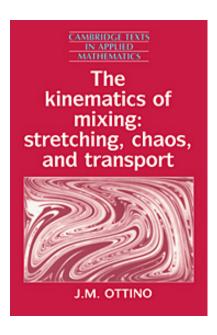




# Conceptual Picture of Mixing – Stretching and Folding

**Initial Condition** 

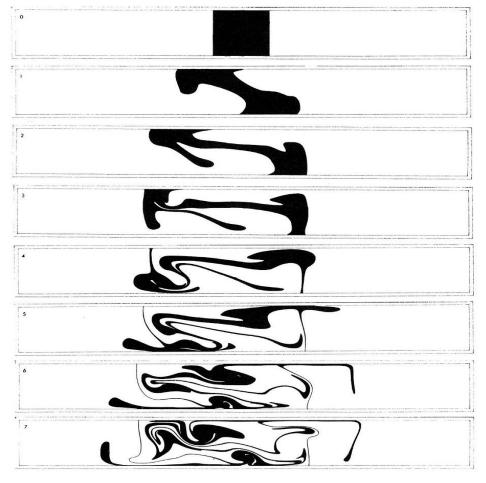




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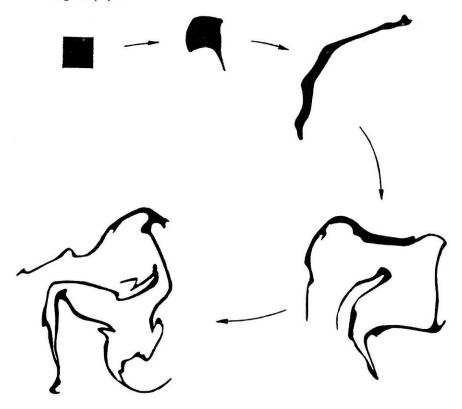
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Figure 1.3.1. Deformation of a tracer in a numerical experiment of motion in the Earth mantle. The sides of the rectangle are insulating but the bottom is subjected to a constant heat flux while the temperature of the top surface is kept constant. The motion is produced by buoyancy and internal heating effects (the fluid is heated half from below and half from within). The Rayleigh number is  $1.4 \times 10^6$ , the time scale of the numerical simulation corresponds to 155 Myear, and the thickness of the layer is 700 km. An instantaneous picture of the streamlines reveals five cells. (Reproduced with permission from Hoffman and McKenzie (1985).)



Mixing in the
Mantle of the Earth
(Hoffman and
McKenzie 1985)

Figure 1.2.1. Reproduction of one of the early mixing experiments of Welander (1955); evolution of an initial condition in a rotating flow. He used butanol floated on water and the initial condition (square) was made of methyl-red; unfortunately few additional details regarding the experiment were given in the original paper.



P. Welander (1955) Studies on the general development of motion in a two dimensional, ideal fluid. *Tellus* 7:141–156

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## Continuum Mechanics, Lagrangian

## **Stretching**

$$\lambda \equiv \lim_{|d\mathbf{X}| \to 0} \frac{|d\mathbf{x}|}{|d\mathbf{X}|} \qquad \eta \equiv \lim_{|d\mathbf{A}| \to 0} \frac{|d\mathbf{a}|}{|d\mathbf{A}|}$$

$$\eta \equiv \lim_{|d\mathbf{A}| \to 0} \frac{|d\mathbf{a}|}{|d\mathbf{A}|}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}(\ln \lambda)}{\mathrm{dt}} = \mathbf{D}:\mathbf{mm},$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}(\ln \eta)}{\mathrm{d}t} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{D} : \mathbf{n}\mathbf{n},$$

## **Efficiency**

$$e_{\lambda} \equiv \frac{1}{(\mathbf{D}:\mathbf{D})^{1/2}} \frac{d(\ln \lambda)}{dt} < 1, \quad e_{\eta} \equiv \frac{1}{(\mathbf{D}:\mathbf{D})^{1/2}} \frac{d(\ln \eta)}{dt} < 1.$$

## Flow, 1-1 mapping

$$\mathbf{x} = \Phi_t(\mathbf{X}), \ \mathbf{X} = \Phi_{t=0}(\mathbf{X})$$

$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt}\right)_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) \qquad \mathbf{x} \dots \text{Eulerian}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \dots \text{Lagrangian}$$

If time-periodic  $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x},t)=\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x},t+T)$ , maps

$$x_{n+1} = \Phi(x_n) \qquad x_n = \Phi^n(x_0)$$

Map

n applications of map

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## **Candidate Flows**



## **Cavity Flow**

Ottino et al. 1986

## SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN

JANUARY 1989 \$2.95

New light on feeling SAD, carbohydrate craving and PMS. Deep earthquakes: shocks from the planet's mantle. Powerful algorithms weave efficient networks.



## **Eccentric Cylinder Flow**

Chevray et al. 1986, Ottino et al. 1986

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Start with streamline portrait...

2D flow, there exists  $\Psi(x,y)$  such that ...

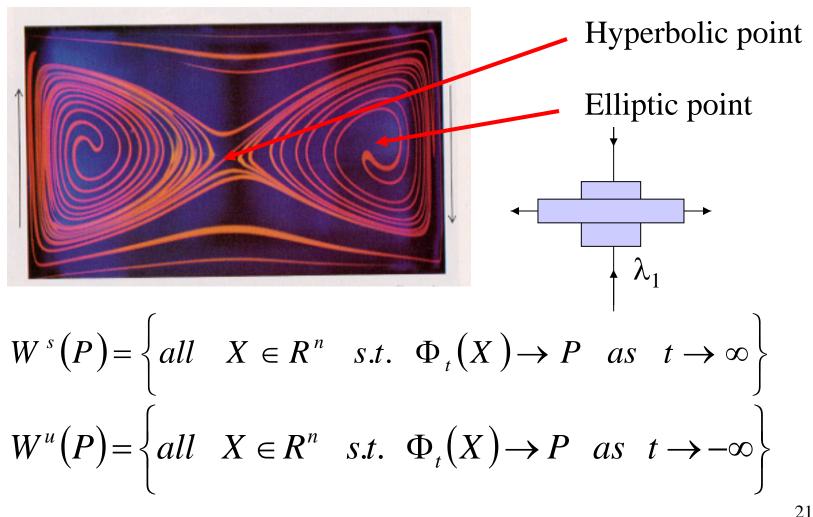
$$\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \mathbf{y}}, \quad \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{d\mathbf{y}}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

System has a Hamiltonian structure (Aref)

Critical points  $\mathbf{p}$  s.t.  $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{p})=0$ 

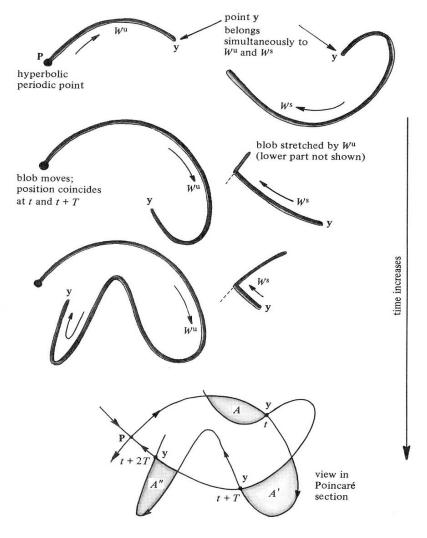
steady  $\Psi = \Psi(x,y)$ , unsteady  $\Psi = \Psi(x,y,t) \rightarrow$  chaos

## Dynamical Systems Theory: invariant sets, manifolds

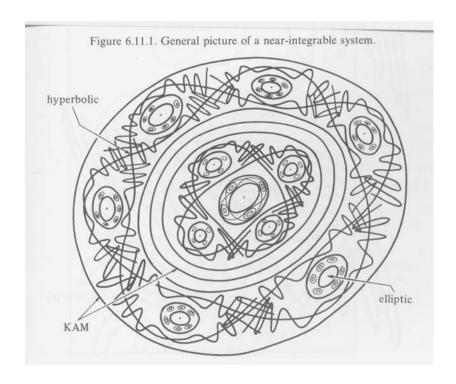


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Figure 5.8.3. Visualization of  $W^{\mathrm{u}}(\mathbf{P})$  in a time-periodic system by means of a fluid mechanical experiment. The manifolds  $W^{\mathrm{s}}(\mathbf{P})$  and  $W^{\mathrm{u}}(\mathbf{P})$  intersect transversally.



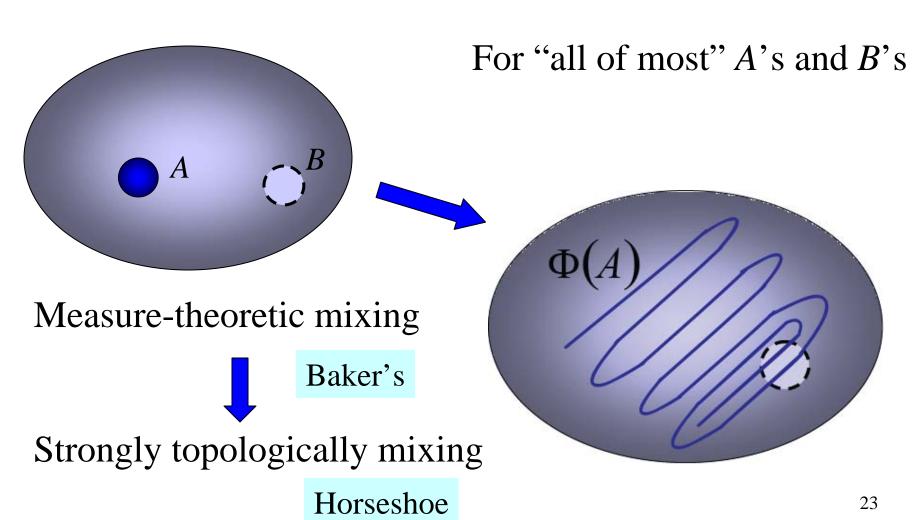
## Picture near integrable system



## Kolmogorov-Arnold-Moser theorem 22

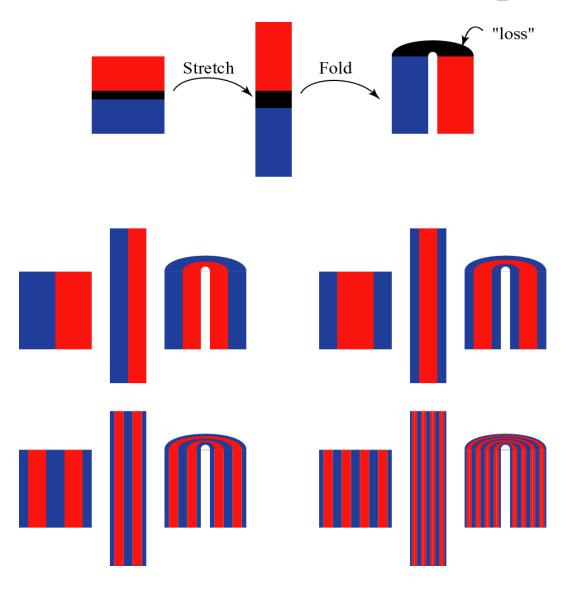
## Definition of Mixing

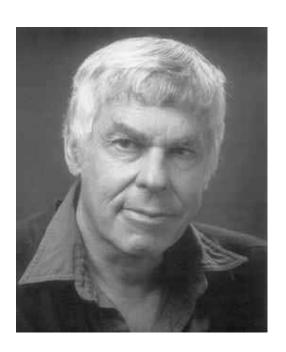
$$\Phi(A) \cap B \neq 0$$



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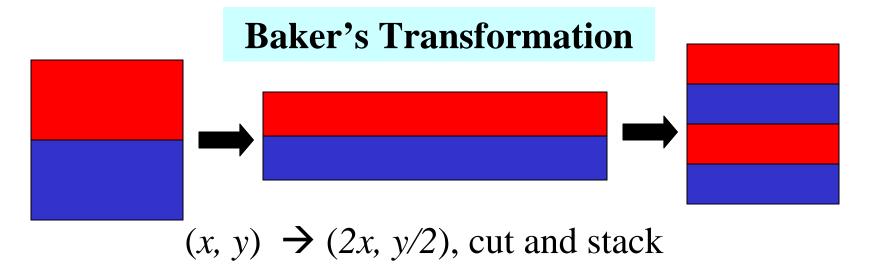
## **Smale Horseshoe map**





Stephen Smale b. 1930

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$$x_1 = 0.10110001... \rightarrow x_2 = 0.0110001... \rightarrow x_3 = 0.110001$$

## x left shift....and

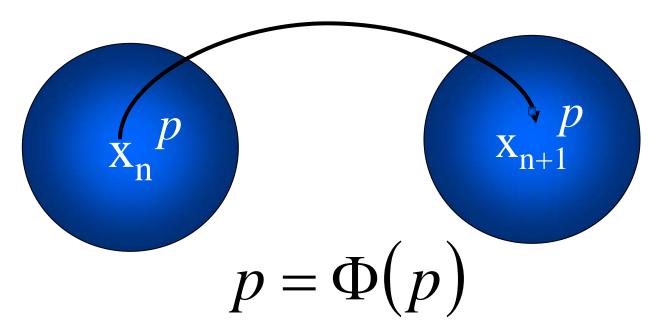
$$y_1 = 0.01110100... \rightarrow y_2 = 0.101110100... \rightarrow y_3 = 0.01110100...$$

leftmost digit of x becomes leftmost digit of y

Bernoulli shift

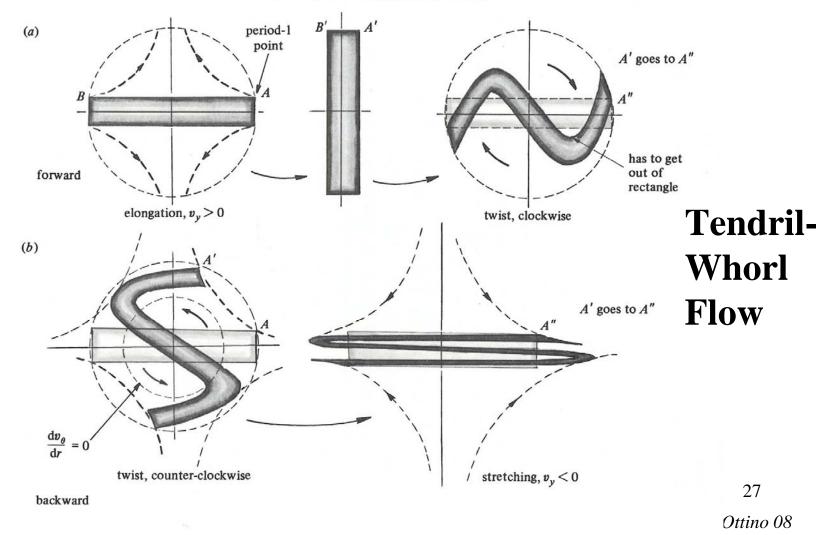


transformations or maps...
Brouwer's fixed point theorem (~1910)

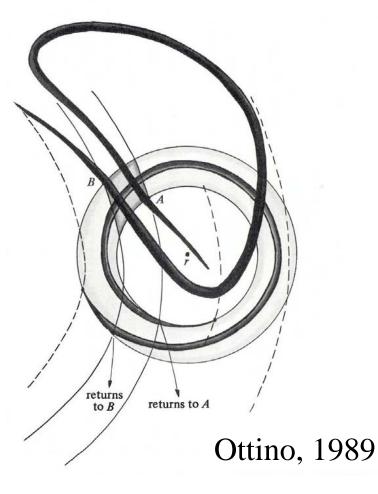


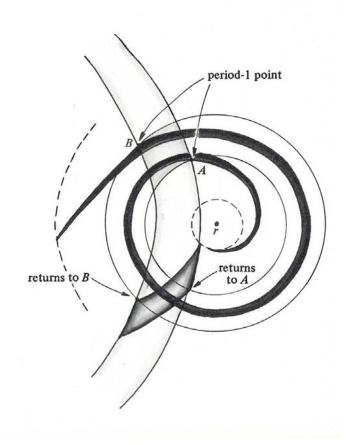
Mapping of a singly connected domain onto itself periodic points

Figure 7.2.10. Horseshoe formation in the tendril-whorl flow. In (a) the elongational flow acts first, followed by a twist clockwise. In (b) the twist acts first, counter-clockwise, followed by the elongational flow. (c) Actual example corresponding to  $\alpha = 10.000$  and  $\beta = 2.180$ .



## Construction of a Horseshoe

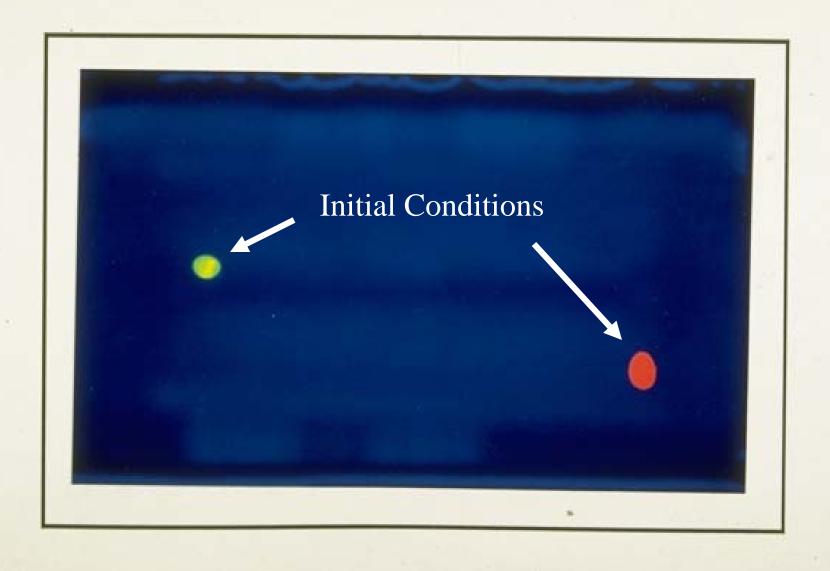


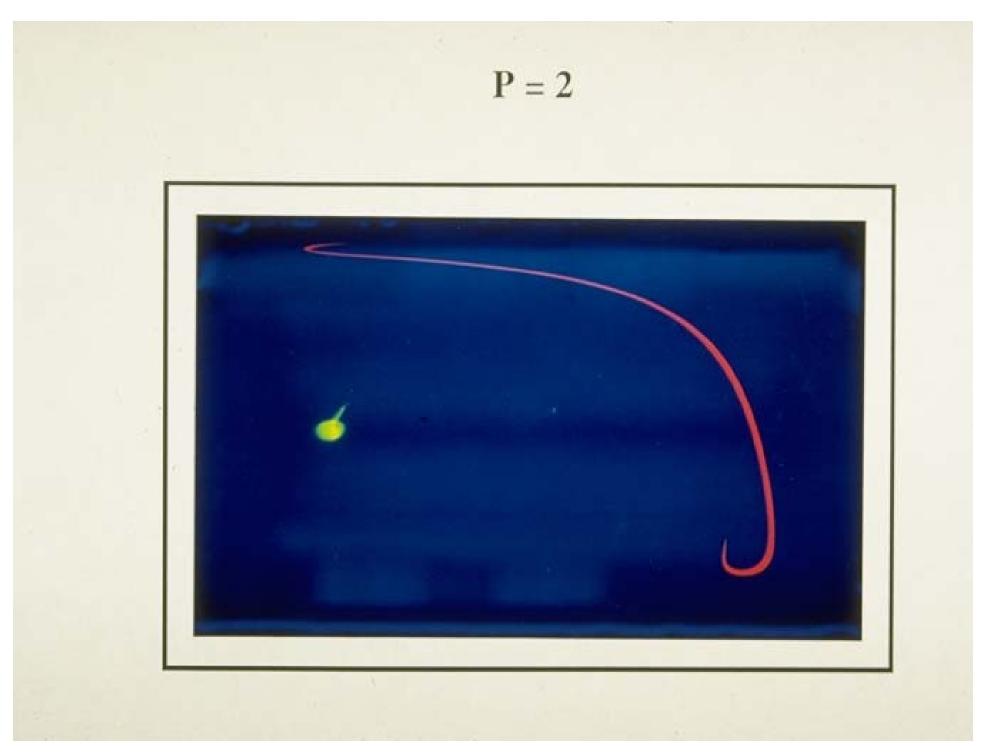


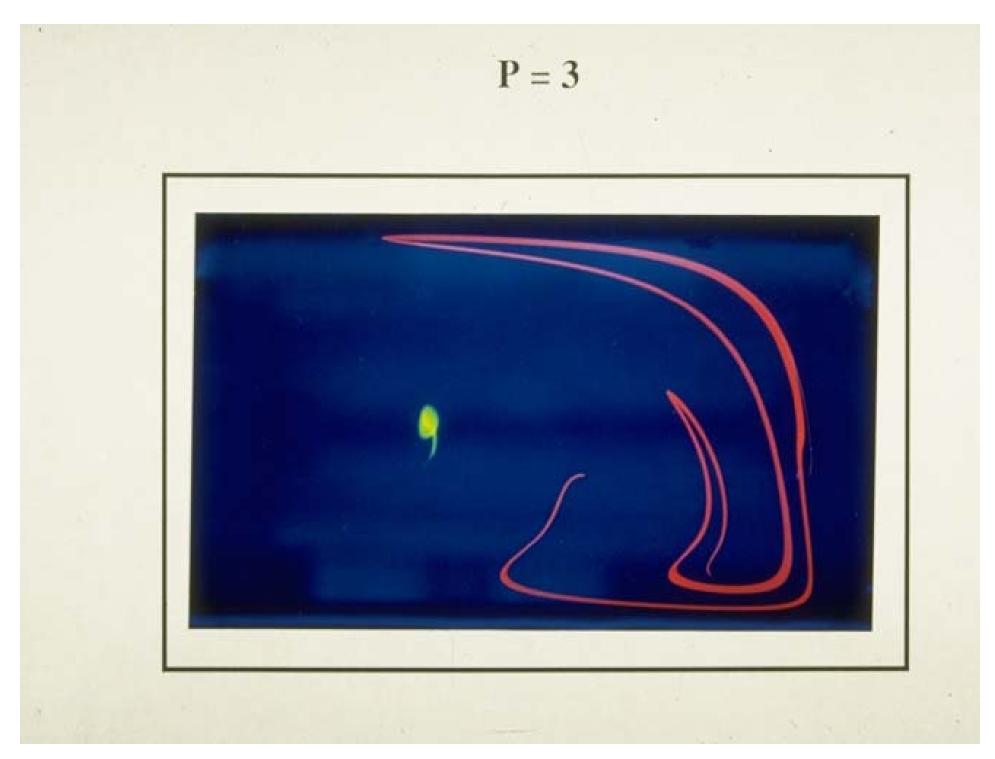
Blinking Vortex Flow (Aref 1984)

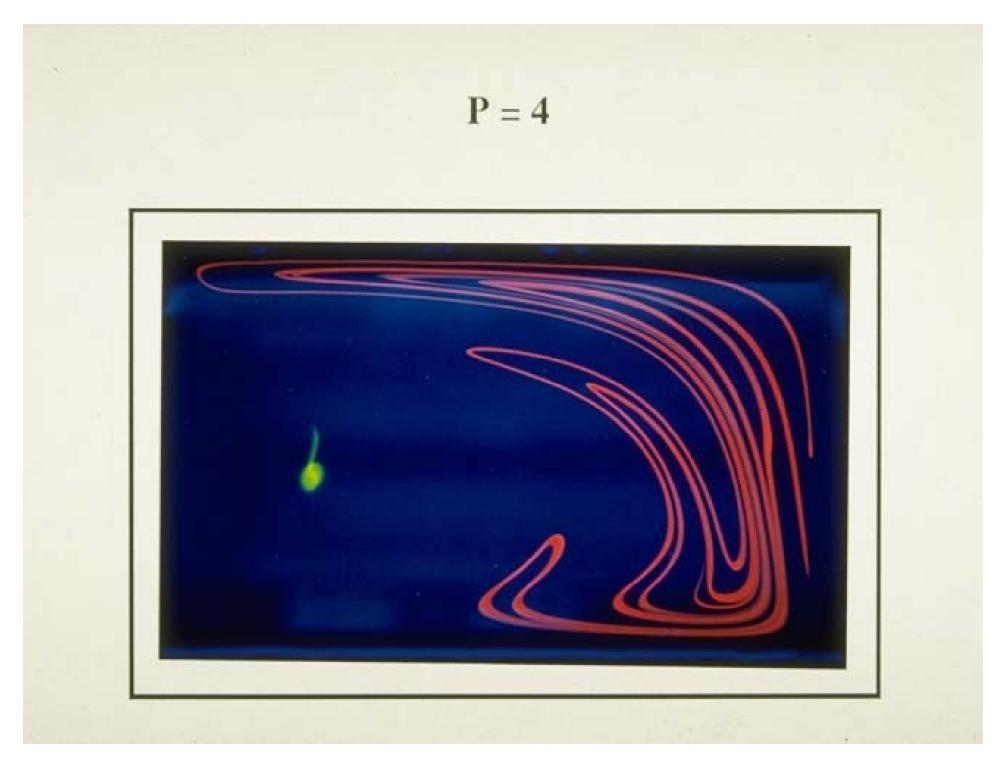
## Mixing in cavity flow

$$P = 0$$



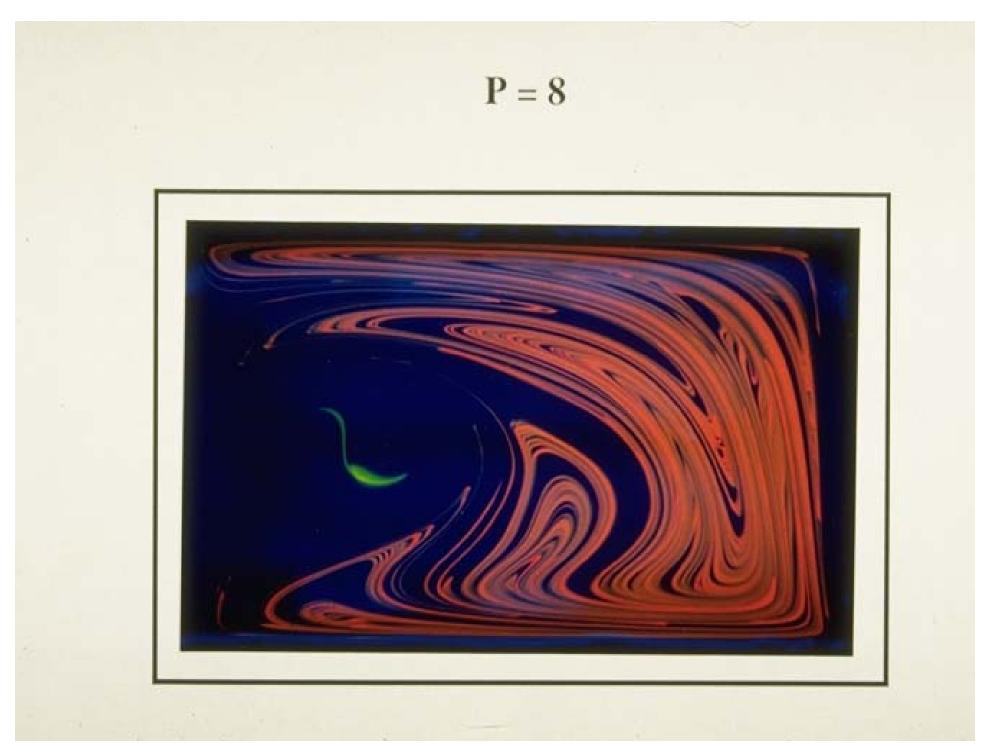


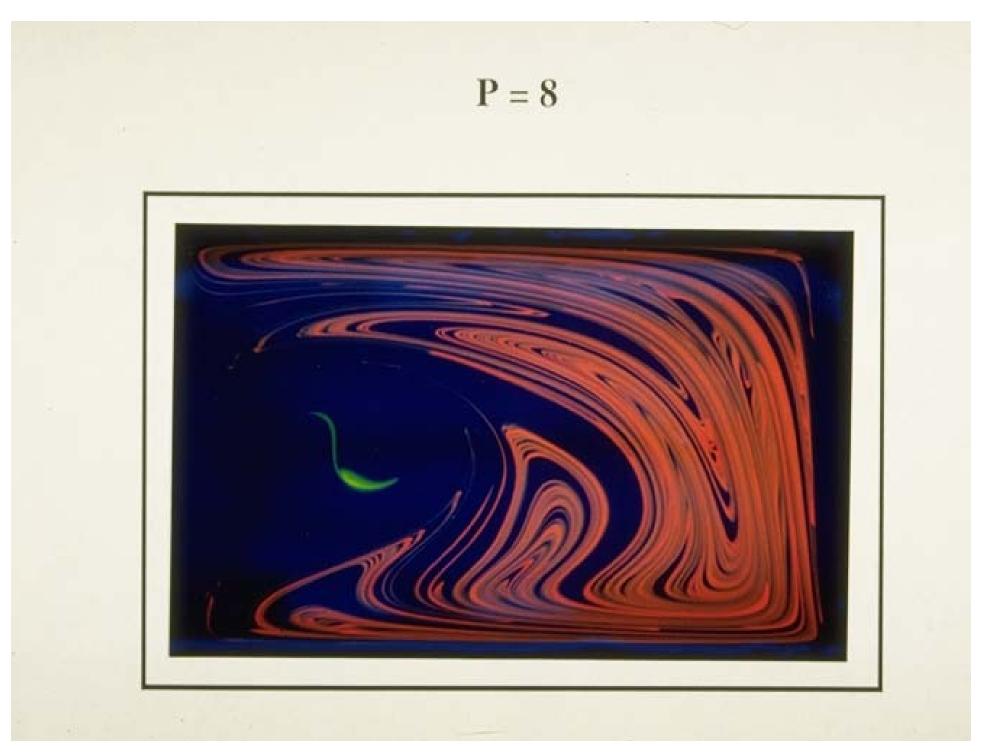






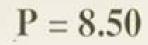




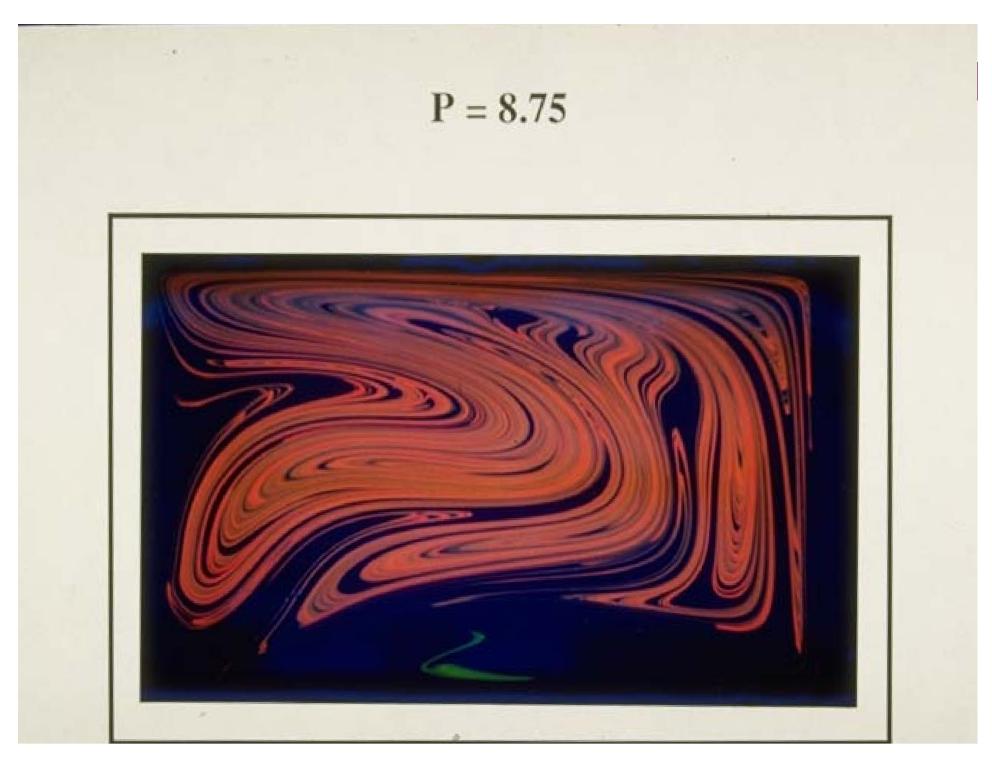


# Motion of Islands P = 8.25

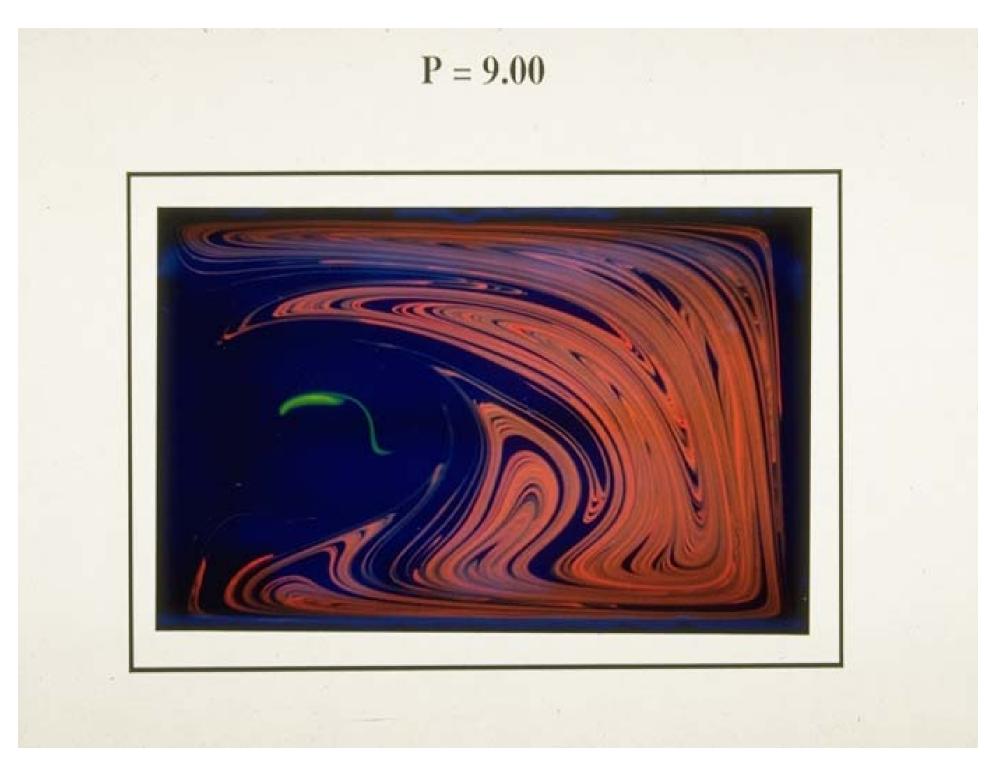






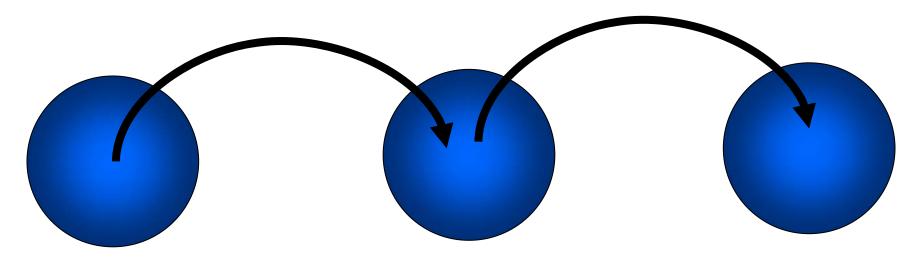


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# **Higher Order Periodic Points**

Composition of fundamental maps



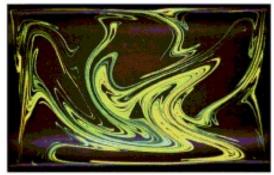
There exist x such that  $x = \Phi^n(x)$  for any n

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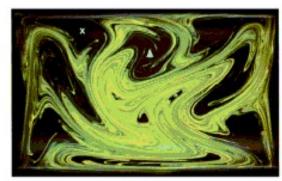
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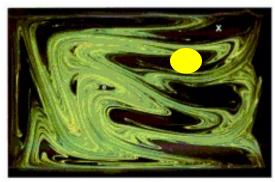
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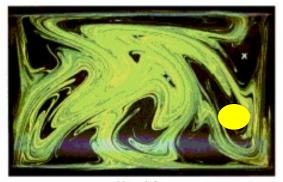
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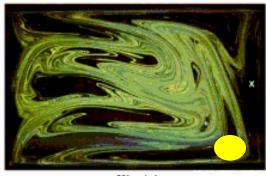
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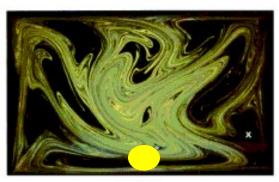
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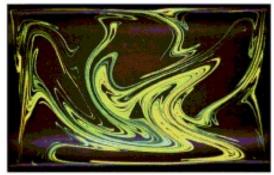
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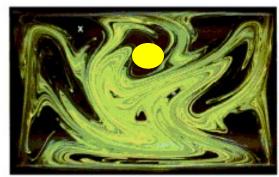
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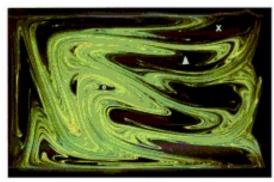
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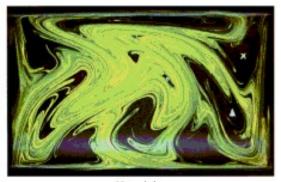
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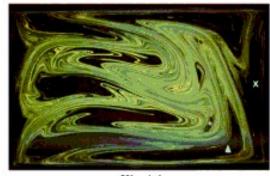
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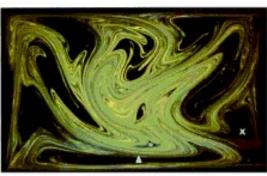
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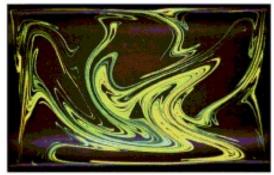
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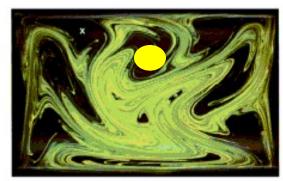
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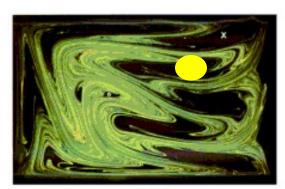
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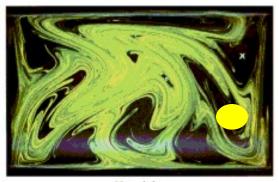
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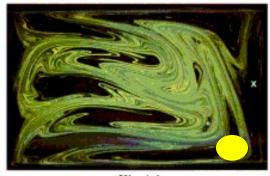
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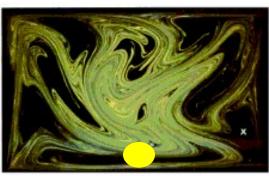
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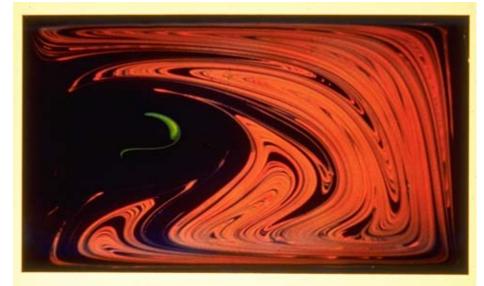
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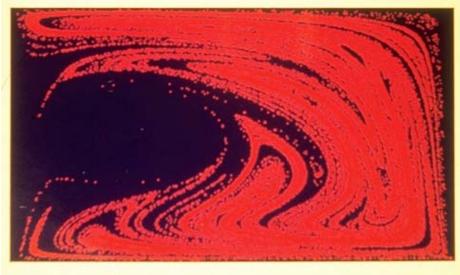
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# **Computations in Chaotic Systems**

Experiment



Computer Simulation



 $dx \approx (dx_0)e^{\sigma t}$ 

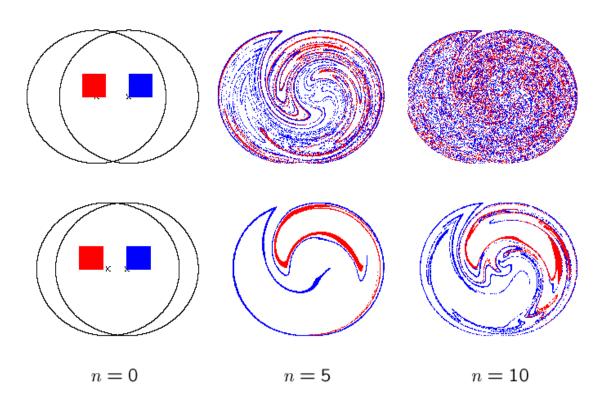
σ Liapunov exponent

# **Types of Errors**

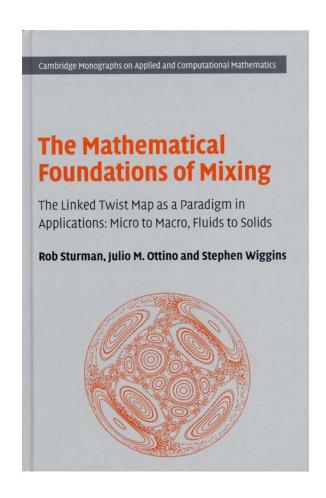
Round-off error
Integration
Discretization
Parameter mismatch

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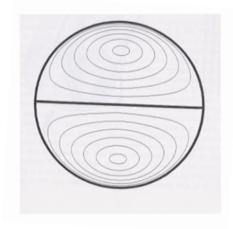
# **Linked Twist Maps and Mixing**



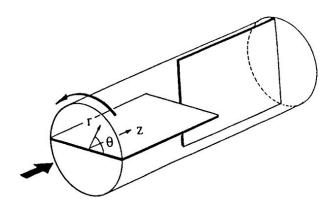
Rigorous mathematical foundation —can show that "mathematical mixing" exists on sets of full measure (with Sturman and Wiggins)



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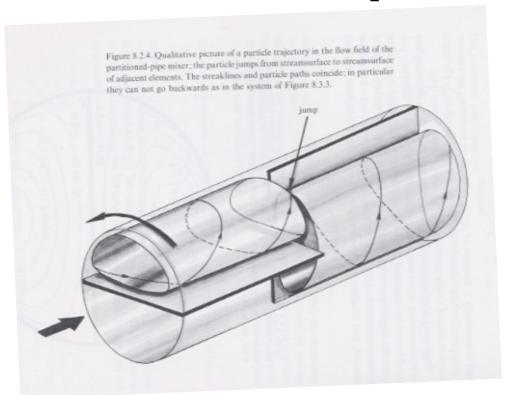


Cross section



Parameter=cross twist/axial flow

### **Realization: Partitioned Pipe Mixer**



Pictorial view of mechanism

Franjione, Khakhar, Ottino, *Chem. Eng. Sci.* 1987

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# Difference: Injection point

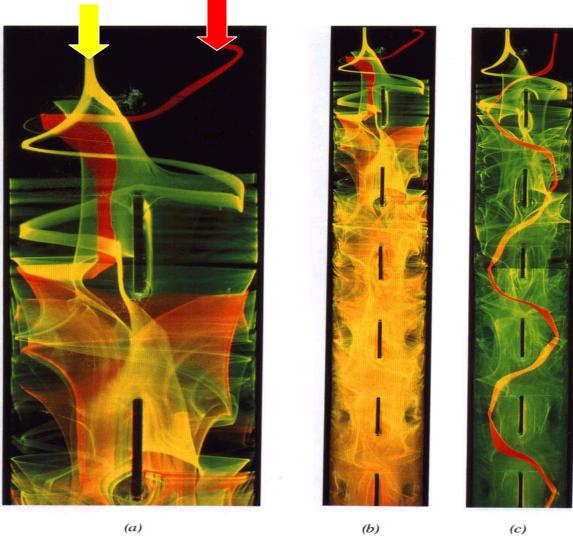
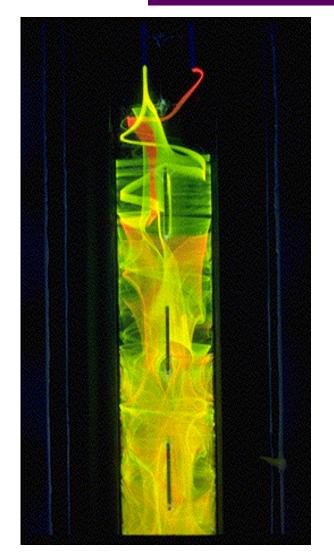
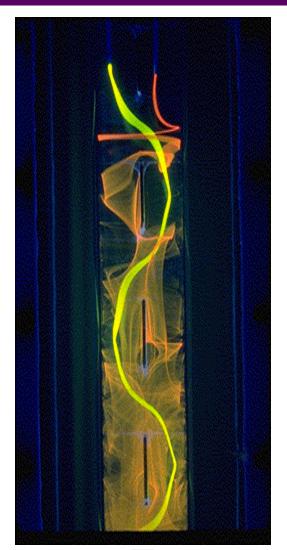
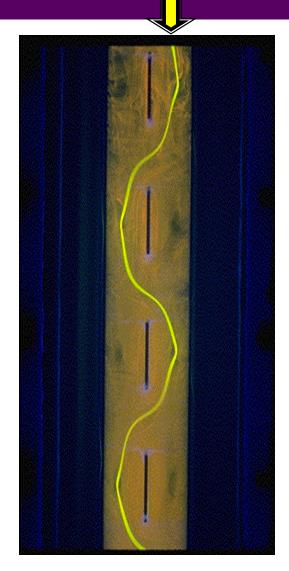


FIGURE 7. Order within chaos, existence of KAM-tubes. The mixing strength parameter for the flows is  $\beta = 10 \pm 0.3$ , and the Reynolds numbers are  $Re_{PPM:axial} = 0.3$  and  $Re_{PPM:cs} = 1.8$ . The differences between the flows (b) and (c) is the position of the orange dye streak feed point; (a) is a close-up of (b).

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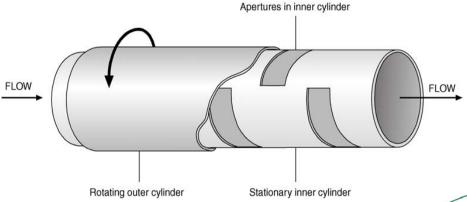
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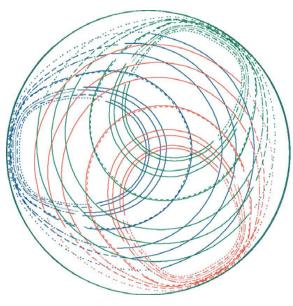
### **Rotated Arc Mixer**

#### Motion of boundaries



Metcalfe et al. *AIChE J*, 2001

Parameter: cross twist/axial flow

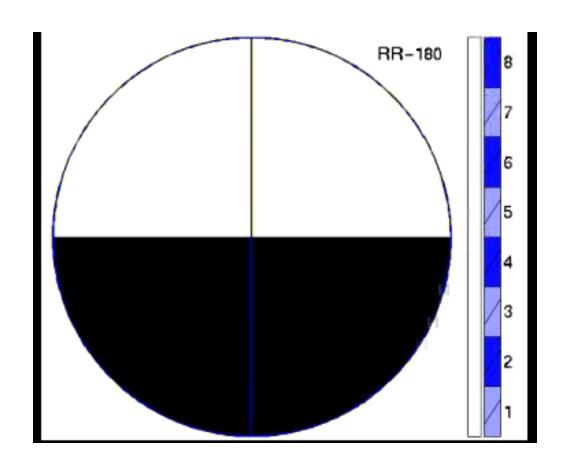






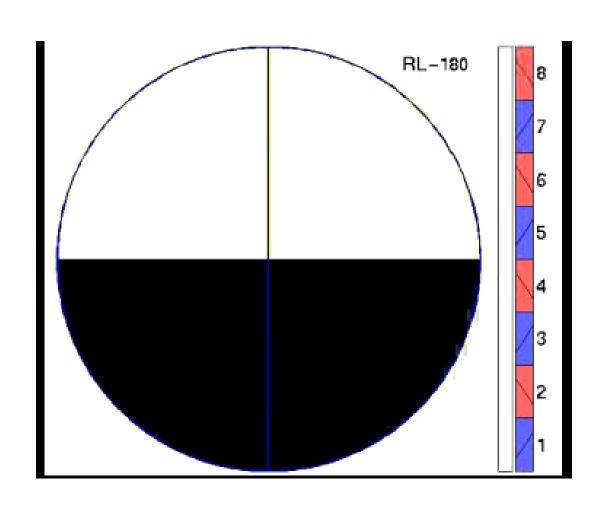
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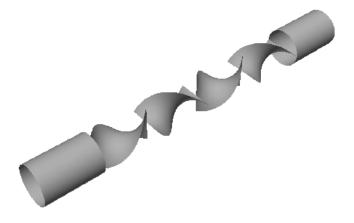
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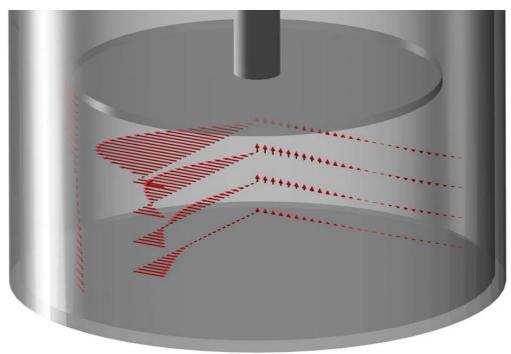




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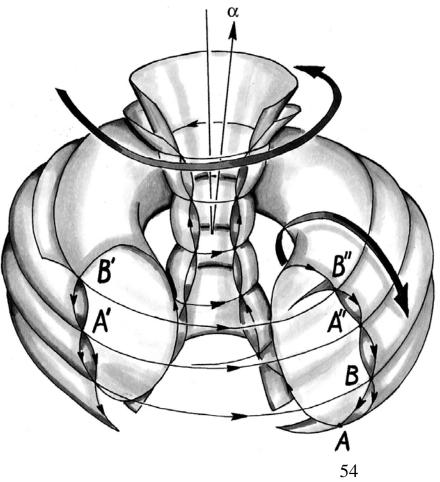
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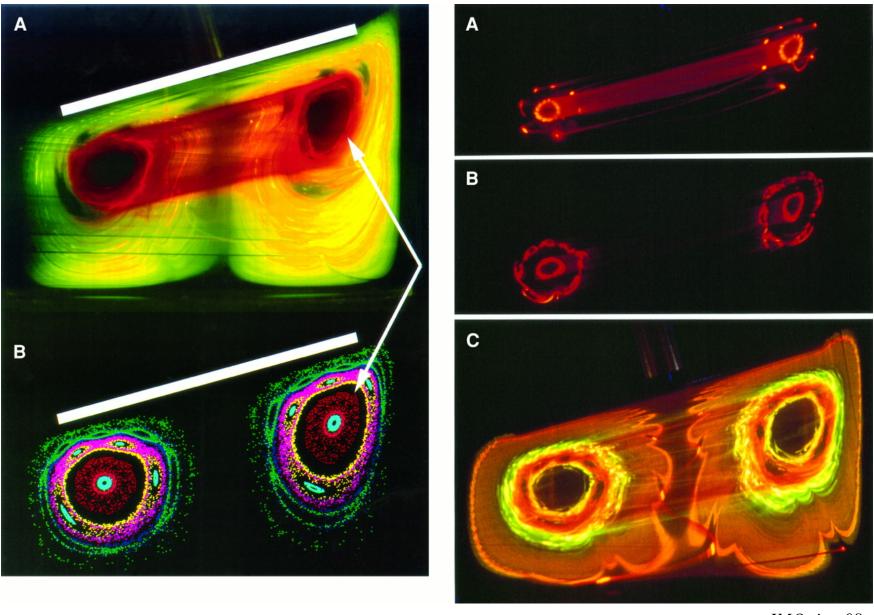
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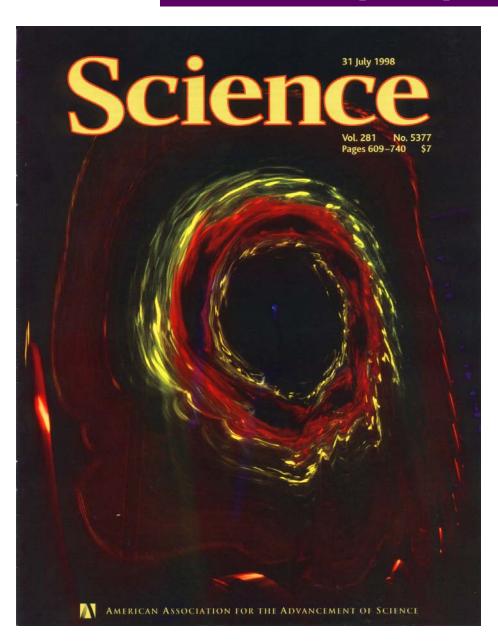
# Break symmetry



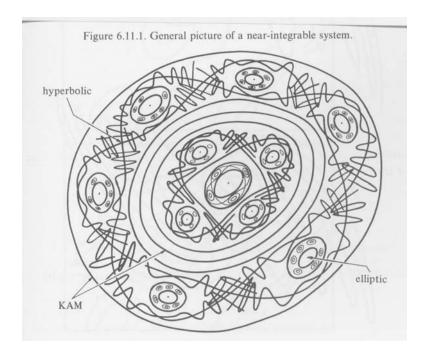


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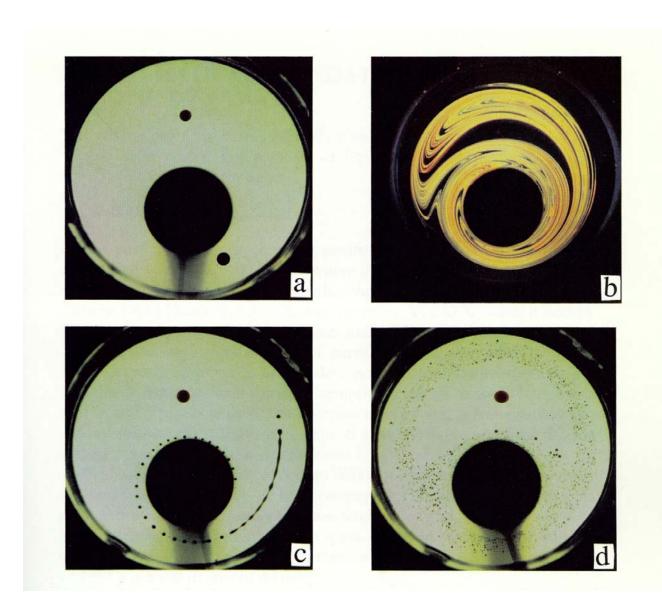


# Kolmogorov-Arnold-Moser theorem



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#### Chaos as a Fabric

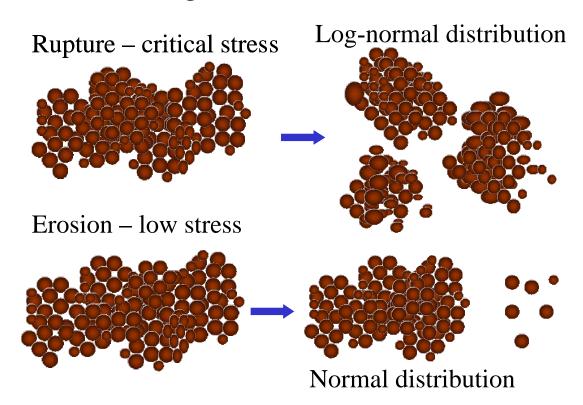
Drop breakup in chaotic flows

Tjahjadi & Ottino *J. Fluid Mech.* (1991).

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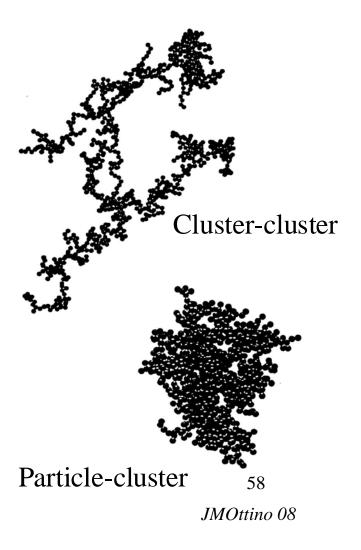
# Chaos as a Fabric

# Fragmentation



Hansen & Ottino *Phys. Rev. E* (1996) *J. Colloid and Int. Sci.* (1996).

# Aggregation



# **Evolution and Applications**

- Mathematical proof of chaos
- Artificiality of the examples, add more realism?
- Shape of the forcing, do discontinuities matter?
- Realism of the flow. Due corners matter?
- Are there 3D examples?
- Agreement with experiments. Nature of errors, round off, computation of the velocity field
- Role of inertia
- But mixing is a means to an end.. Mixing as a fabric.
- Reactions, how they are affected by mixing
- Coagulation...structure of clusters formed
- Breakup
- Droplets and other microstructures
- Character of the fluid, elasticity, etc.

- Chemical Engineering
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- Oceanography
- Microfluidics
- Geophysics

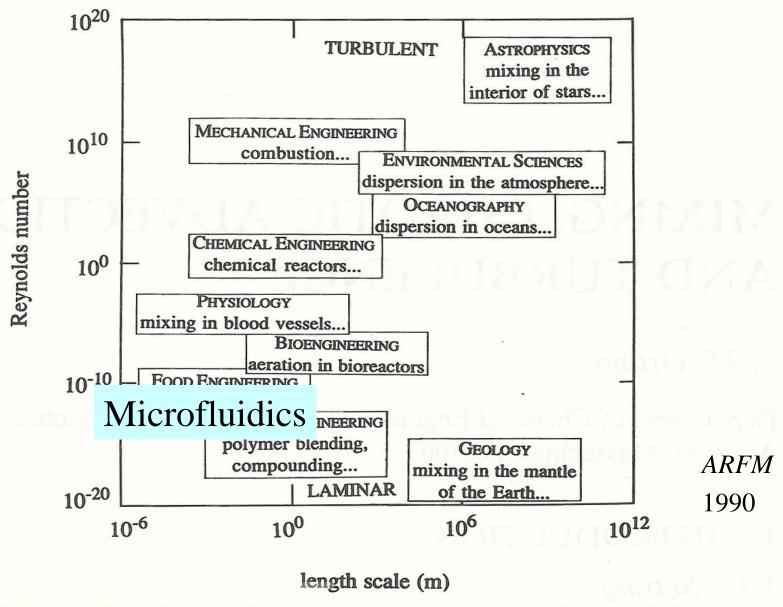


Figure 1 Spectrum of problems studied in various disciplines in which mixing is important.

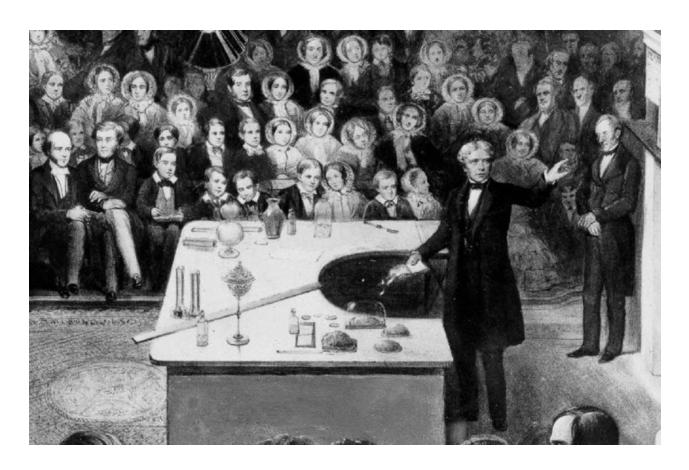
# **Timelines**

- Brouwer Theorem ~ 1910
- Kolmogorov-Arnold-Moser theorem ~1954
- Baker's map ~1960s
- Smale Horseshoe ~1967
- Linked Twist Maps

   (Burton & Easton, 1980;
   Wojtkowski 1980;
   Przytycki 1983)

- U Minn (many ~1979)
- Fluid mechanics (Aref ~1982; Moin ~1991)
- Dynamical Systems
   (Rising ~1982; Wiggins ~1986 Guckenheimer,
   Holmes, math; Gollub,
   Swinney; physics)
- Multifractals, microscales (Meneveau & Sreenivasan ~1991; Dahm ~1988)

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Michael Faraday's Christmas Lectures



Osborne Reynolds 1842 - 1912

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DELIVERED AT

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VOLUME XIV. 1893—1895.



LONDON:

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#### WEEKLY EVENING MEETING,

Friday, June 2, 1893.

SIE DOUGLAS GALTON, K.C.B. D.C.L. LL.D. F.R.S. Vice-President, in the Chair.

PROFESSOR OSBORNE REYNOLDS, M.A. LL.D. F.R.S.

Study of Fluid Motion by means of Coloured Bands.

In his charming story of , 'The Purloined Letter,' Edgar Allan Pootells how all the efforts and artifices of the Paris police to obtain possession of a certain letter, known to be in a particular room, were completely ballled for months by the simple plan of leaving the letter in an unscaled envelope in a letter-rack, and so destroying all curiosity as to its contents; and how the letter was at last found there by a young man who was not a professional member of the force. Closely analogous to this is the story I have to set before you to-night—how certain mysteries of fluid motion, which have resisted all attempts to penetrate them are at last explained by the simplest means and in the most obvious manner.

# Osborne Reynolds, 1893

In fluids [..] this attenuation is only the first step in the process of mixing – all involve the second process, that of folding, piling, or wrapping, by which the attenuated layers are brought together.

Identification of stretching and folding as basic mechanism for mixing

# **Conceptual Frameworks**

$$u(x, y, z, t) = \overline{u} + u'$$

- O. Reynolds, "On the dynamical theory of incompressible viscous fluids and the determination of the criterion," *Philos. Trans. R. Soc. London, Ser.* A 186, 132 (1895).
- "a perfectly random motion of particles [where] no basic pattern should or could exist." T. Theodorsen, "The structure of turbulence," 50 Jahre Genszchichtsforschung: Ludwig Prandtl, Friedr (Viegeg and Sohn, Braunschweig, 1955), pp. 55-62

# Osborne Reynolds, 1893

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Speaking of (the work focusing on motion of fluids)...
"in respect of the mental effort involved, or the scientific importance of the results goes beyond that which resulted in the discovery of Neptune."

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Jules Henri Poincaré 1854-1912



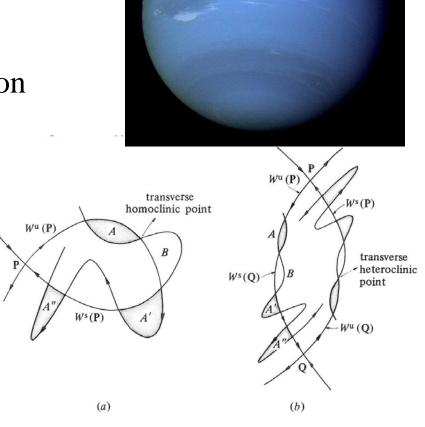
Osborne Reynolds 1842 - 1912

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- Neptune's discovery 30 s deviation from Newtonian predictions; trans-Uranian.
- Jean Leverrier (France); John Couch Adams (England).
- Prize closed-form analytical solution for the three-body problem (Oscar II, King of Sweden)

Winner: Poincaré, 1889
(.... homoclinic orbits;
three bodies produce chaos.)



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Jules Henri Poincaré 1854-1912



Osborne Reynolds 1842 - 1912

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Jacques Hadamard (1865-1963)

Psychology of Invention In the Mathematical Field (1945, 1954)





# **Visual Imagination**

# **Non-Visual**

### Joseph Louis Lagrange

One of Lagrange's more famous books, *Analytical Mechanics*, which, he boasted proudly, contains no pictures.

# **Visual**

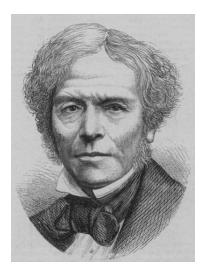
#### **David Hilbert**

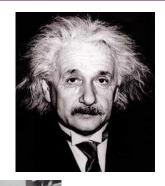
Commenting on one of David Hilbert's work Jacques Hadamard said: "diagrams appear in every other page."

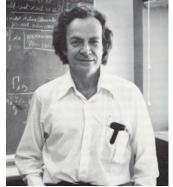


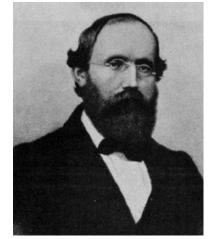


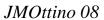










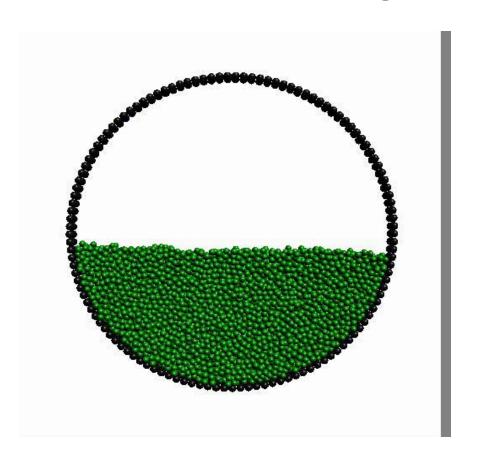


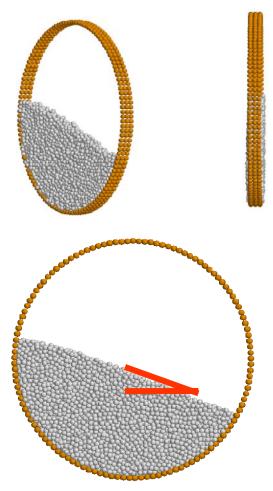




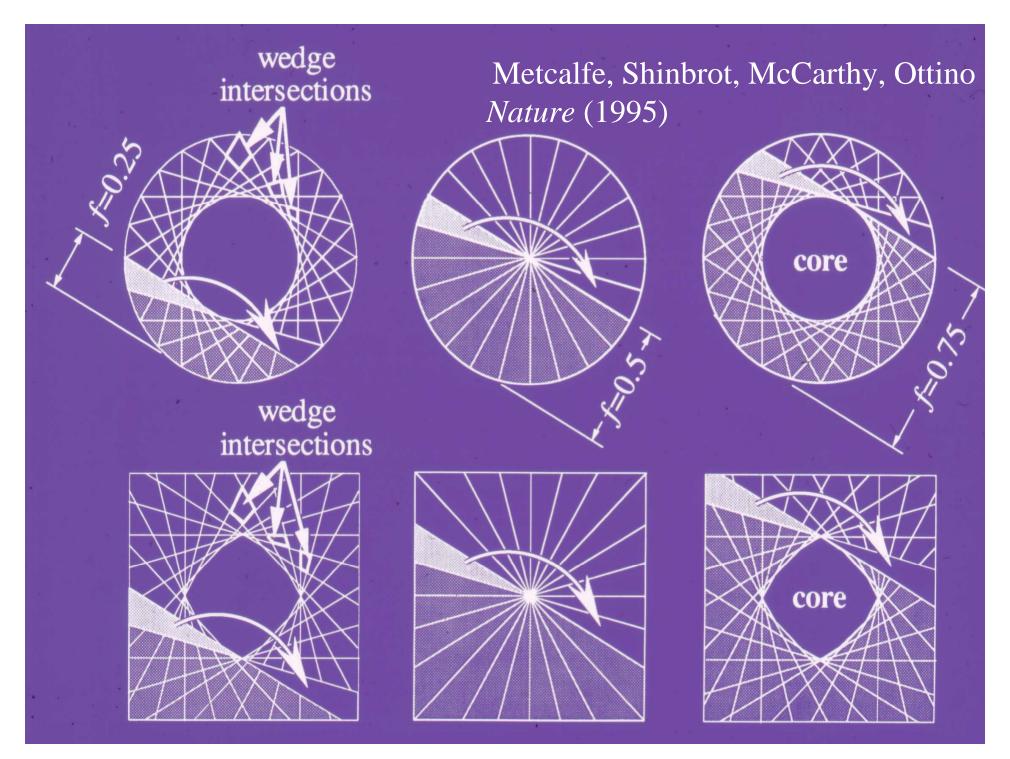


## **Mixing of Solids**



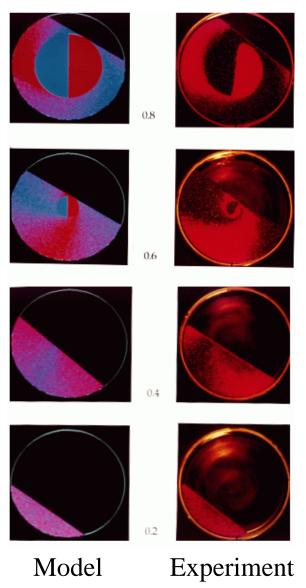


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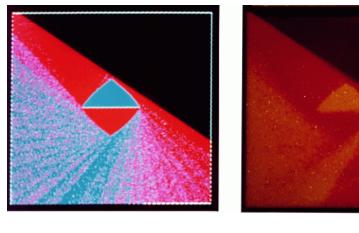
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## Mixing by avalanching



(1) Geometrywedges ⇒ wedges(2) Dynamics

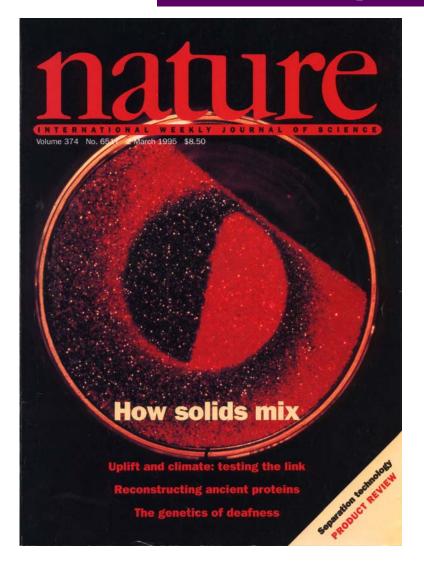
Random mixing within wedges

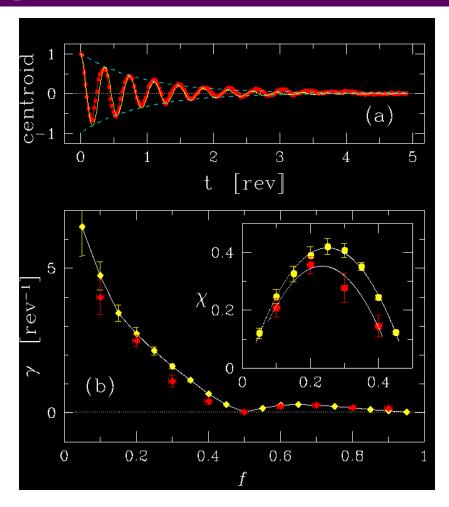


Model Experiment

Metcalfe, Shinbrot, McCarthy, Ottino *Nature* (1995)

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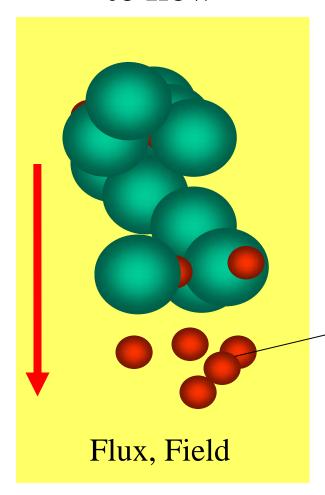




 $\gamma$  = rate of mixing,  $\chi$ = $\gamma$ X total area being mixed

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# Segregation due to flow



(size) S-systems, (density) D-systems

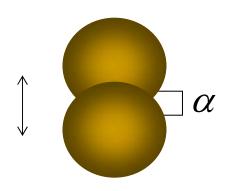
Reynolds's dilatancy (percolation)

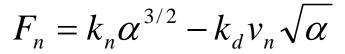
Osborne Reynolds, *Philosophical Magazine*, December, 1885

Size segregation

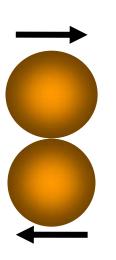
## **How Two Particles Interact: Contact Forces**

#### Normal Forces

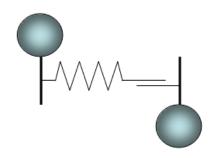




Hertz repulsion with dissipation



Tangential Forces

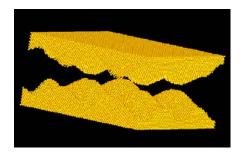


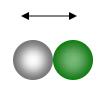
Spring and Slider

$$F_{t} = \min(|k_{t}s|, |\mu F_{n}|)$$

Linear tangential spring with maximum 78

## A Nano to Macro Problem



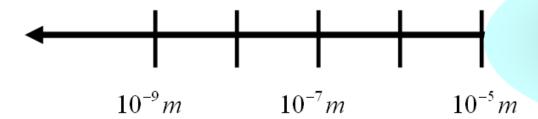




Origins of Friction/Adhesion

Particle-Particle
Interaction

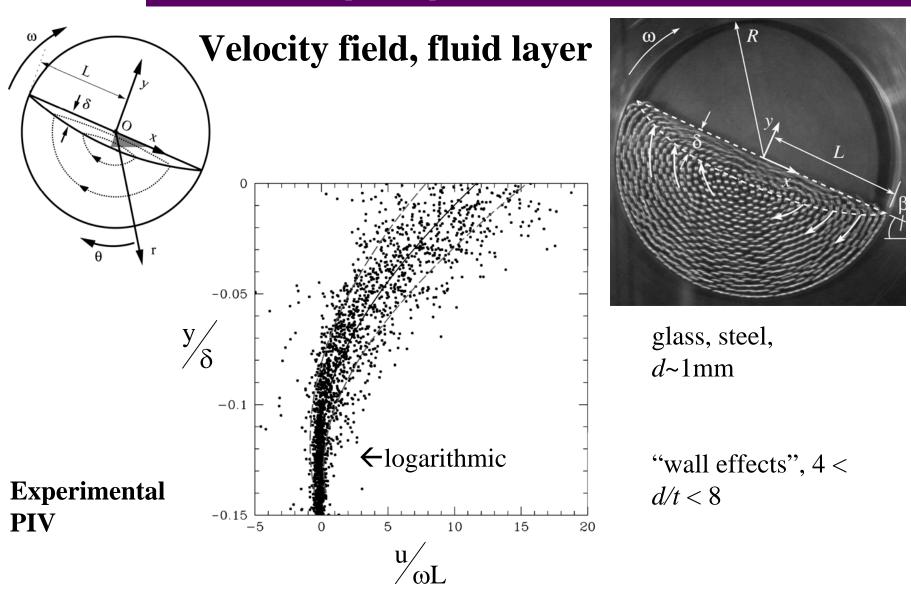
Collective Flow



Specifics chemistry

Generic physics

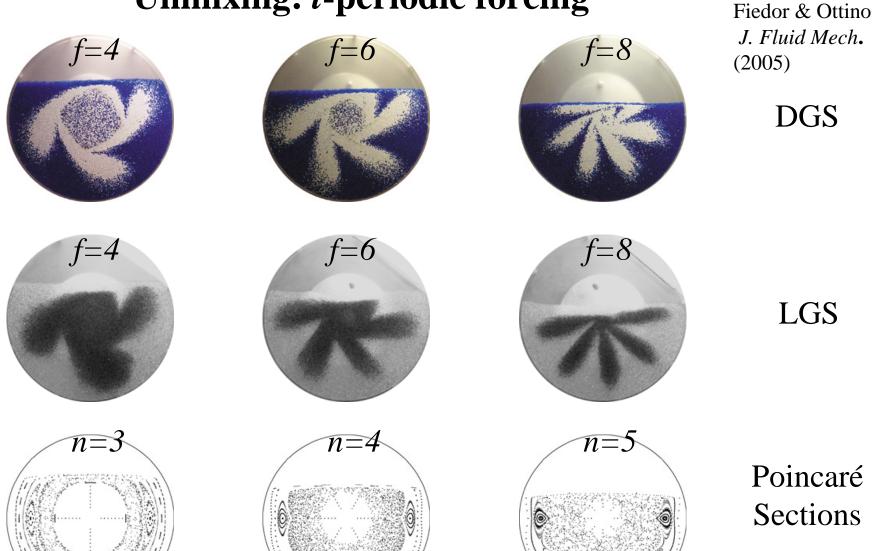
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Jain et al. Phys. Fluids 2002 (DGS), Jain et al. JFM, 2004 (LGS) 80

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## Unmixing: *t*-periodic forcing



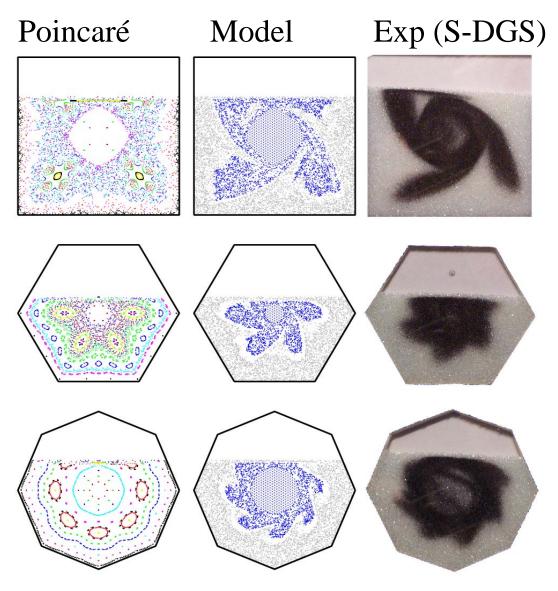
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## **Unmixing**

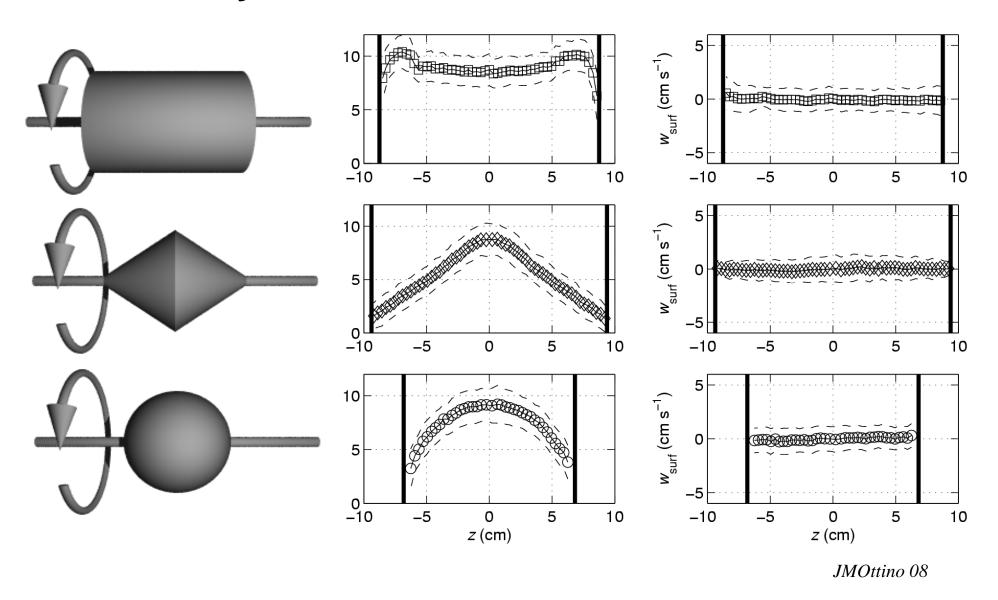
Interpenetrating Continua Model 2D systems

Cisar, Umbanhowar Ottino, PRE, 2006

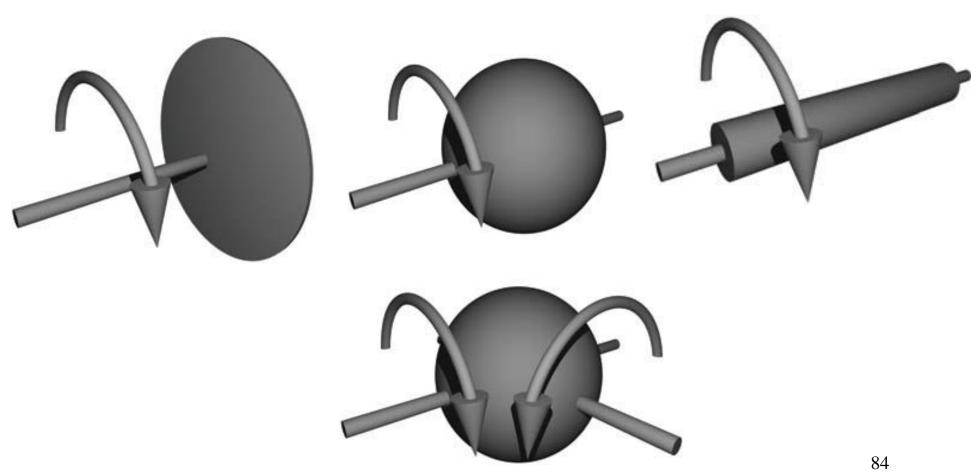


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## Velocity Profiles: 1 mm Particles, $\omega$ = 2 RPM



## **Tumbling Geometries and Forcings**



**Cube: Skeleton, periodic** points and unstable manifolds X -0.2 -0.4 -0.5 Gilchrist, Ottino, *Physical Review E*, **68** (2003). -0.4 -0.3 -0.2 -0.1 0 0.1 X 0.5 0.5

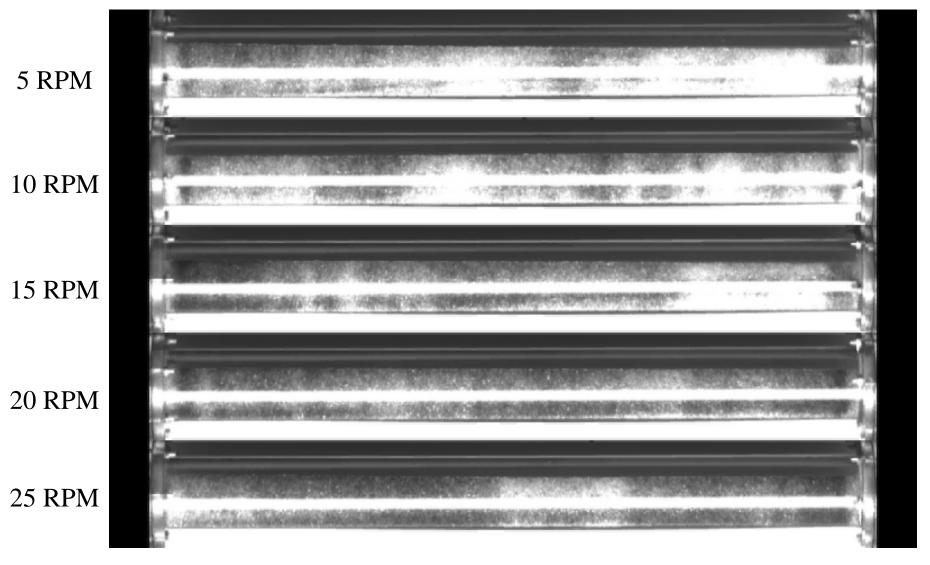


## Segregation in long rotating cylinder (LGS)

Granular bed/ mixture of small and large particles

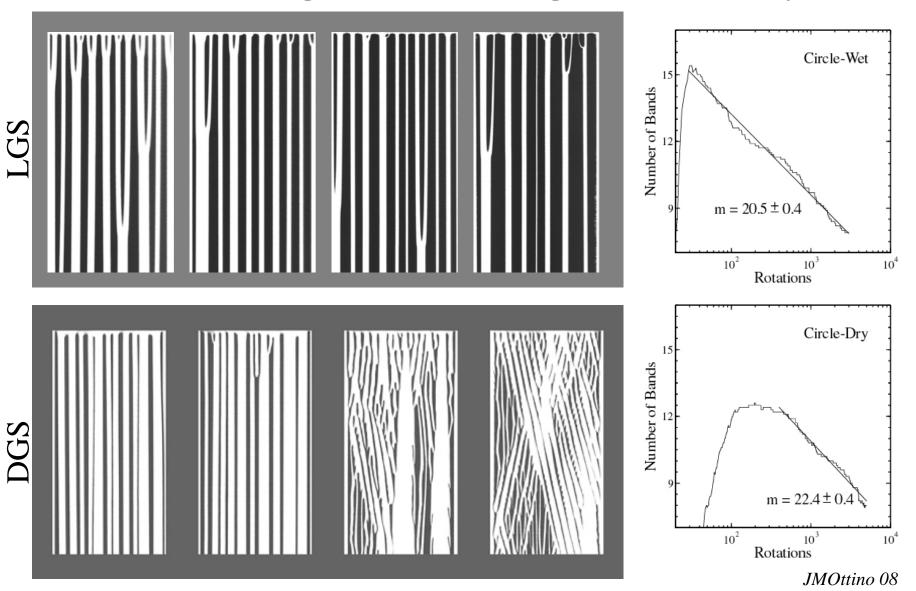


## **Effect of rotation rate - DGS**

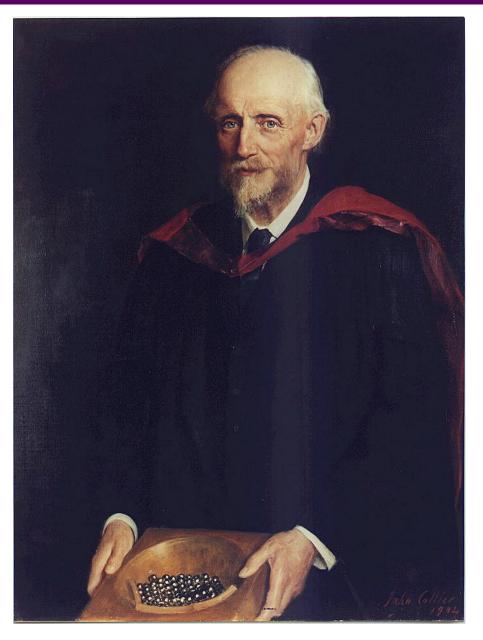


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## Coarsening, Quasi 1D, Logarithmic decay



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Osborne Reynolds (1842-1912)

- Osborne Reynolds 'On the dilatancy of media composed of rigid particles in contact. With experimental illustrations'. *Philosophical Magazine*, December 1885).
- Rode Lecture in 1902 ("On an inversion of ideas as to the structure of the universe")
  - "I have in my hand the first experimental model universe, a soft India rubber bag filled with small shot".

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## Oyama 1939

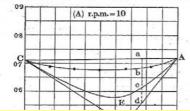
(第十八級 火加 水平 回轉 圓筒 内の 粒體の 運動 (第五報) 二成分系 粒體 の 充填と 混合 (和和十四年 六月廿九日 受理)

前報告 花は 何 a も 水平回韓 関節内に 於ける 均一摂 粒體の 運動 氷錐 及 混合 機精 に 放いて 論じて 来たが、工業的に 我我が 取扱ふ 粒體は 均一径の 同形 粒子群 より 構成 せられて わる 事は 極て 穏れで、殆 と 総ては 所謂 多成分系 粒體で ある。 本報告は 多成分

水平 回郷 旧簡 内の 勅糖の 運動 (第五額)

即も 斯くの 如き 假定を 置く ならば、パなる 空隙率を 育する 大径 粒體 中に、ro なる 空隙率を 有する 小径 粒群を 順次注いで 一様に 分布せし場合, 小粒群が 大粒子間 空隙の

は 大徑 粒子群の 見掛の 容積 は 全然 境加 しないと 考へ得 る。 故に 斯かる 場合の 混合 との 関係は, 小径 粒子群が 大 径粒子間の 空隙を 担めつく ナ迄は,直線的関係にある。



Yositisi Oyama "Studies on Mixing of Solids. Mixing of Binary System of two Sizes by Ball Mill Motion (listed as the 179th report from Okochi Research Laboratory I.P.C.R. In English, No. 951, Vol. 37, p, 17-29 year 1939).

#### 11. 二成分系 粒體の 充填と 混合 に 對する 考察

(1) 二成分系 粒體の 充填。

大小便の 異なる 二種の 同形 均一径 粒間の 一定 重量の 見掛 容積は、粒間を 構成せる 各粒子の 配列組織が 同様 なれば 同一である。 故に 此の 二種の 粒體を 一定 容器に 利 然と 二層に 全然混合せずに 支塡したとすれば、共の 見掛容積は 各 單獨に 全重量を 充

然るに、此の 狀態に 混合 或は 攪搾作用が 奥へられる ならば、小径粒子は 大径粒子 間の 容禄に 入。込んで 其の 空歌を 掴め、粒體組織は 密となり 全見掛容機は 著しく 小

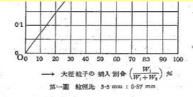
Furnas, Westman and Hugill 及其の他は、此の問題を大径教子に對して、小径紋 子は 無限に 小なりと 云ふ 連想的な 場合を 假想して 取扱って ゐる。

\* 大何內 研究面報音 第百六十五匹 (1) 著名: 通訊金號 第12等 12號; 第14號 7號, 9號; 第15 時 6號. (2) C. C. Funnas: fiel. Bago, Glow., 23 (1931), 1052; Bureau of Mone Boll., 397 74. A. S. R. Westhalm and H. R. Houllett. J. Am. Corum, Soc., 13 (1930), 767. A. E. R. Westhalm: J. Am. Gruen, Soc., 19 (1936), 127. 整井 康一: 經濟 泰輔, 11 (昭和 7), 793.

## Prematurity **Origins**

 $V_a = \overline{s_1(1-v_1)}$ となり、第一間に於て ABO で 現される 原貼 〇を 通過す

丁度 大郷粒子 間の 空間 が 總 て 小径粒子 滞にて 埋め 係が 成立する。 即:



 $w_2 = v_1 \times (1 - v_2) s_2$  $w_i = (1 - v_i)s_i$ 

此處で iv は 混合 物體 單位 容積 當りの 各の 粒體の 重量で ある。 故に 此の 大径 粒體が 小便 粒體群で 飽和した 時の 二粒體の 摘入割合は

以下 各記號に 於て 右下に 附したる 小文字数字1は 大徑粒子, 2は 小徑粒子の 共れを 示すものごす。 而こ何も 附せざるものは 混合 栽體の 場合さす。

## Prematurity

Fitting with the canonical knowledge of the times

## "Sleeping Beauty" Papers

• "...a publication that goes unnoticed ('sleeps'), gathering less than one citation a year for many years, and then, almost suddenly, attracts a lot of attention (the paper is awakened by a "prince").

van Raan (2004)

## The work of the Innovator

"Never forget what I believe was observed to you by Coleridge, that every great and original writer, in proportion as he is great and original, must himself create the taste by which he is relished"

William Wordsworth (English poet, 1770–1850) in Letter to Lady Beaumont, 21 May 1807; in E. de Selincourt (ed.) *Letters of William and Dorothy Wordsworth* vol. 2; revised by M. Moorman, 1969.

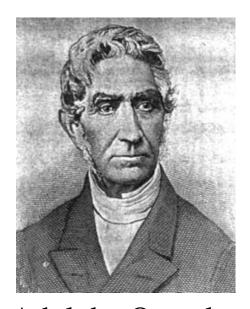
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James Clerk Maxwell 1831-1879

Maxwell's arguments about constancy of averages (foundation of Statistical Mechanics)

## **Origins**



Adolphe Quetelet 1796-1874 Mécanique Sociale

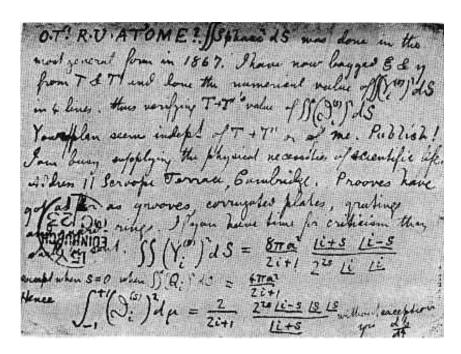
P. Ball, *Physica A* (2002) *Critical Mass*, (2004)

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Peter Guthrie Tait, "On the foundations of the kinetic theory of gases', *Scientific Papers*, vol.2, p. 126, CUP 1898-1900.

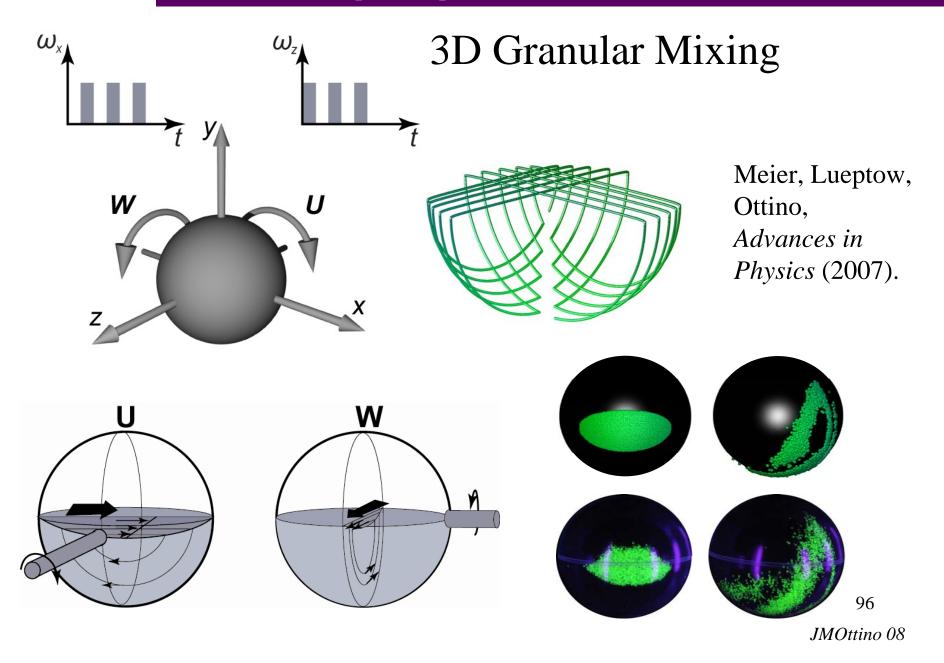
"...the extraordinary steadiness with which numbers of such totally unpredictable, though not uncommon phenomena as suicides, twin or triple births, dead letters\*, &c., in any populous country, are maintained year after year."

<sup>\*</sup>Laplace had also commented on this issue.



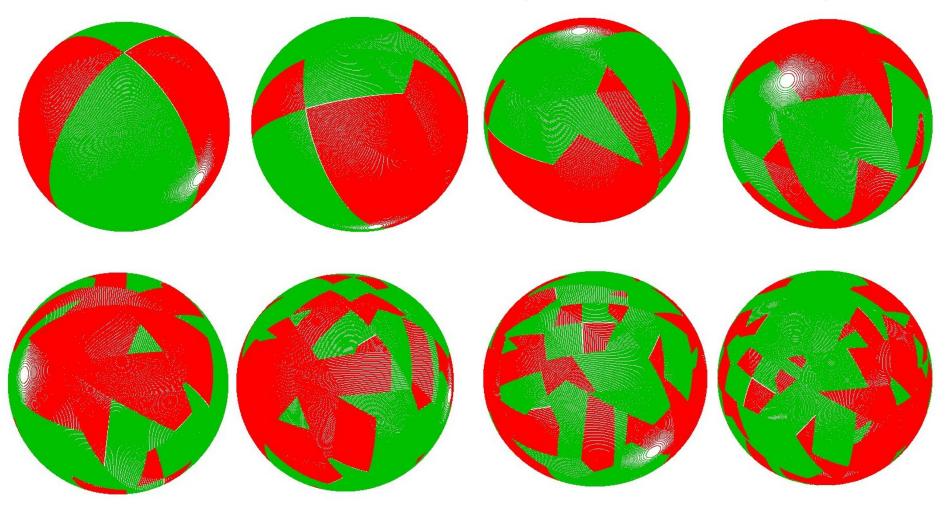
Ref. Critical Mass, Philip Ball, FSG, 2004

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## Piecewise isometries: Mixing without stretching



with Sturman, Wiggins, in progress

## Looking Back

- The Deception of Final Pictures (...Gauss and Riemann leaving no trace of the scaffold that lead to their final results; Hermann von Helmholtz and the "smooth royal path"; Ludwig Wittgenstein's metaphor of kicking the ladder after climbing up...Can anyone retrace Riemann?
- Bifurcation Points
  Reynolds vs. Reynolds, mixing without stretching
- The Role of the Environment Visual vs. non-Visual
- A historical perspective fosters creativity