

Bubble wall velocities in local thermal equilibrium

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Taking $f_i(p, x) = f_i^{\text{eq}}(p, x) + \delta f_i(p, x)$, we have

$$\square\phi + \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}(\phi, T)}{\partial\phi} + \sum_i \frac{dm_i^2(\phi)}{d\phi} \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} \delta f_i(p, x) = 0$$

(equilibrium)

(out-of-equilibrium)

dissipative friction

Conventional understanding: finite wall velocities require non-vanishing dissipative friction; **not true!**

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In thermal equilibrium: backreaction force does NOT necessarily vanish if the temperature is not constant across the bubble wall!

[Ignatius, Kajantie, Kurki-Suonio & Laine '94; Espinosa, Konstandin, No & Servant '10; Konstandin & No '11]

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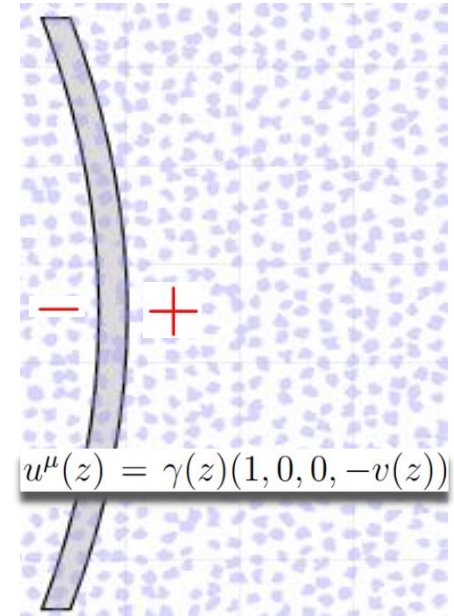
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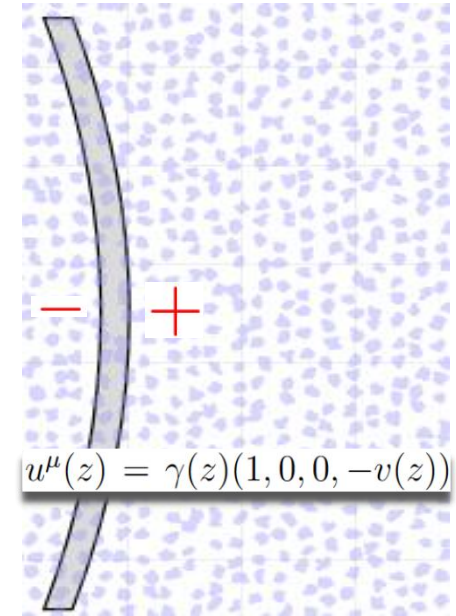
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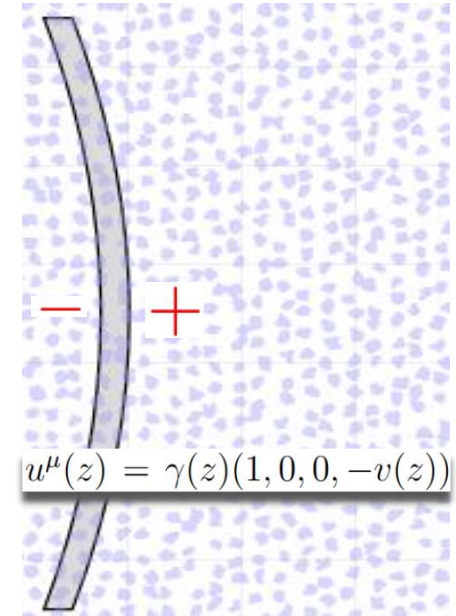
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However, as we showed, the temperature cannot be constant for nonvanishing backreaction force in LTE!

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A bonus: a new matching condition in LTE!

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We will use this new matching condition to determine the wall velocity in LTE

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However, the temperature-dependence in the “bag parameters” makes it impossible to carry out (particle physics) model-independent analysis.

For example: $\frac{\Delta\epsilon}{a_+ T_+^4}$ depends also on T_-

➡ Simplifications: 1 **bag model**;
2 constant sound speeds (**template model**)

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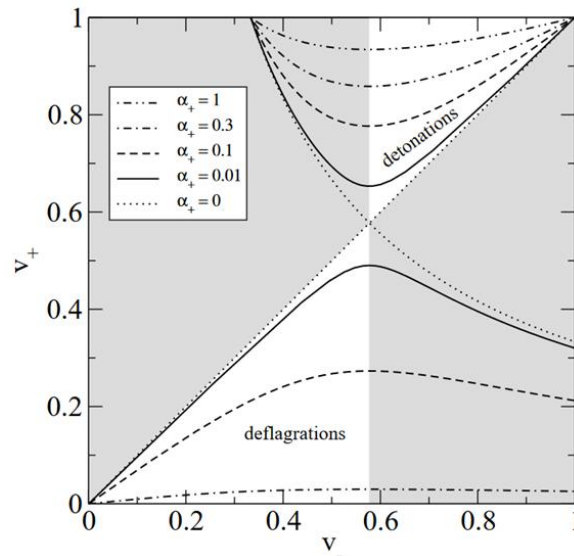
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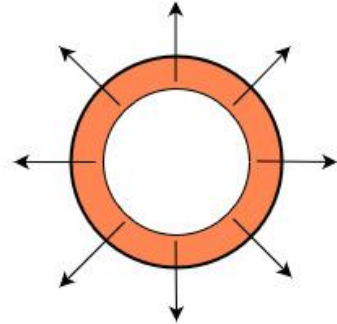
$$v_+ = \frac{1}{6(1 + \alpha_+)v_-} \left[1 + 3v_-^2 \pm \sqrt{1 + 6(6\alpha_+^2 + 4\alpha_+ - 1)v_-^2 + 9v_-^4} \right]$$



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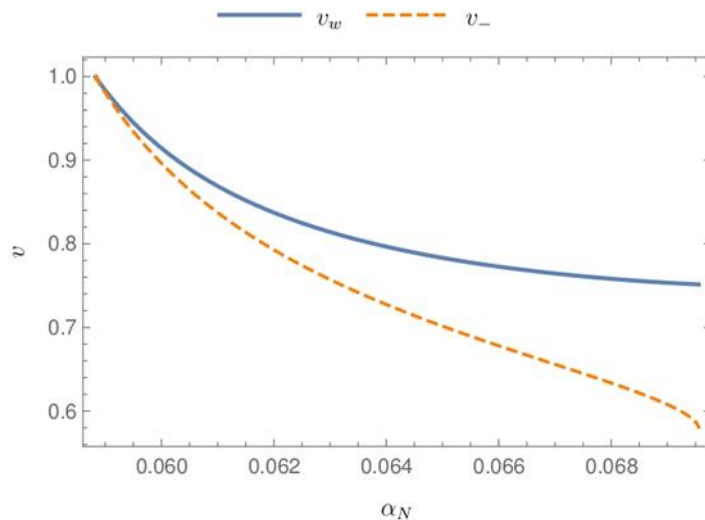
Detonations:



$$v_+ = v_w$$

$$T_+ = T_{\text{nuc}}$$

$$\alpha_+ = \alpha_N \equiv \frac{\Delta\epsilon}{a_+ T_{\text{nuc}}^4}$$



$$[\alpha_{\text{min}} \approx 0.059, \alpha_{\text{max}} \approx 0.07]$$

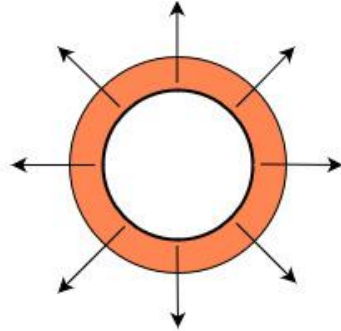
$$b \equiv \frac{a_-}{a_+} = 0.85$$

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$$\Delta\mathcal{F} = (p_- - p_+) |_{T_{\text{nuc}}} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_N \geq (1 - b)/3 = 0.05$$

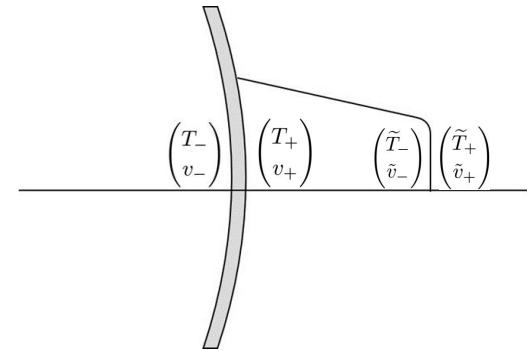
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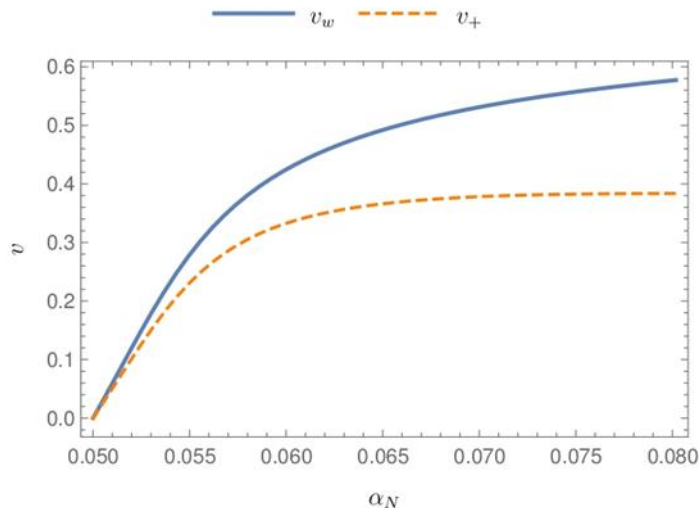
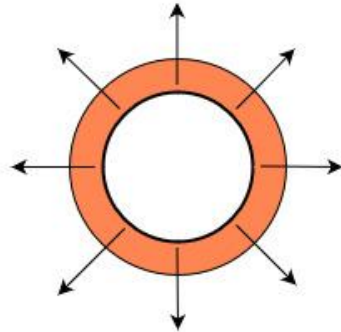
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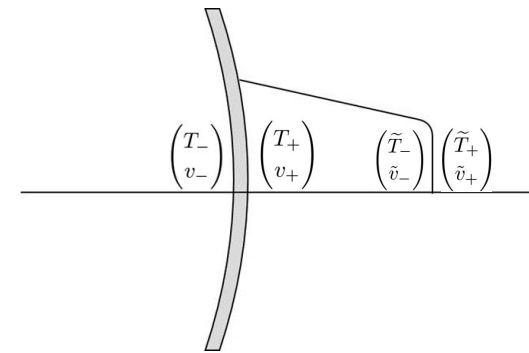
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For $\alpha_N > \alpha'_{\max}$, no solutions exist for either deflagrations or detonations



Runaway for $\alpha_N > \alpha'_{\max}$ and **in LTE**,

Need to consider nonequilibrium effects

Constant sound speeds (the template model)

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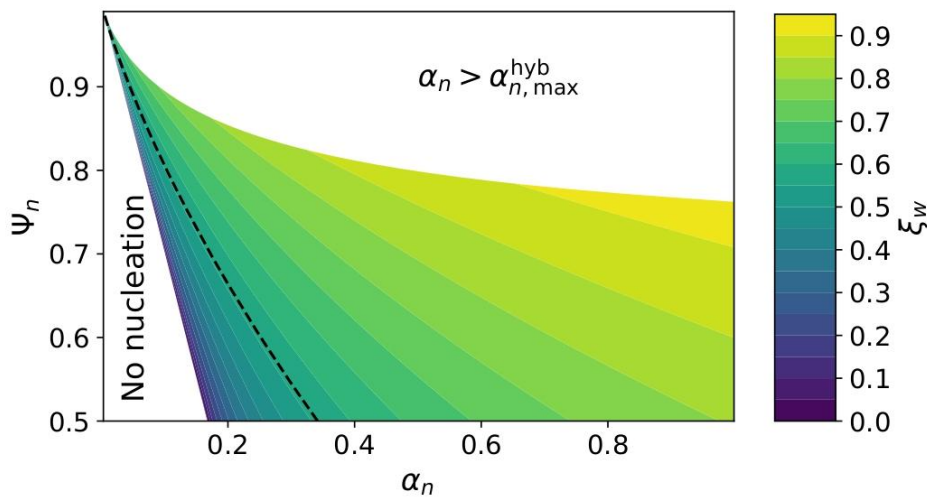
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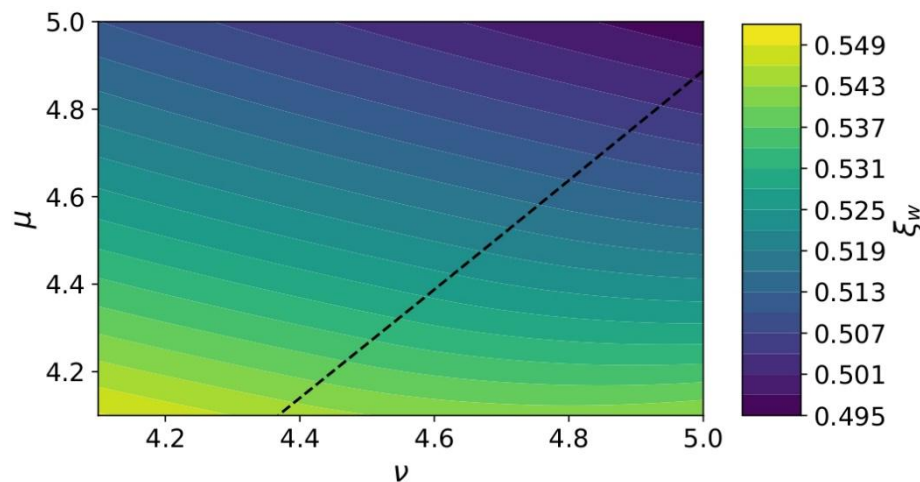
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$(\alpha_n = 0.1, \Psi_n = 0.8)$

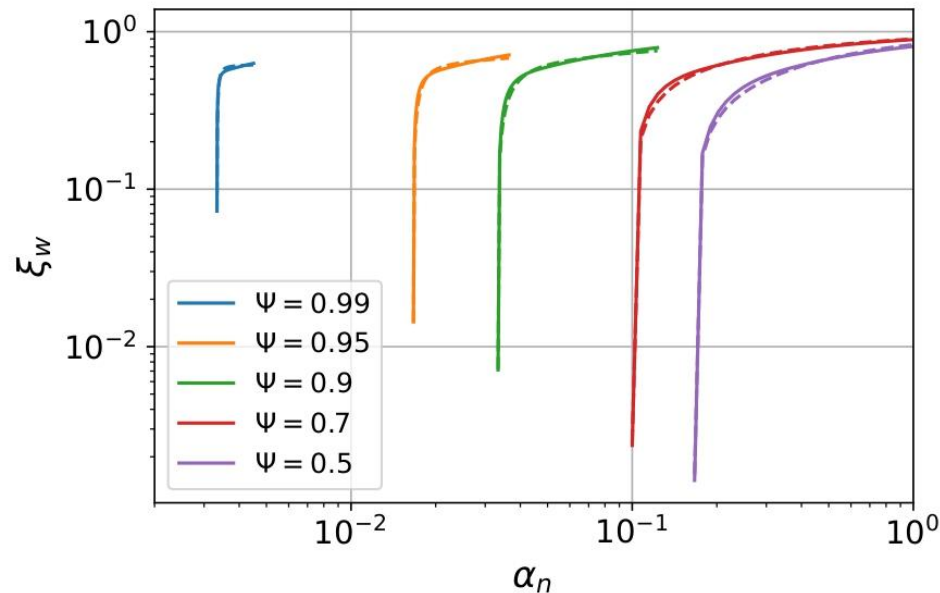
Fit for $\mu = 4, \nu = 4$

$$\xi_w^{\text{fit}} = \left(|\xi_w^{\text{low}}|^p + |\xi_w^{\text{high}}|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

where

$$\xi_w^{\text{low}} = \sqrt{\frac{3\alpha_n + \Psi_n - 1}{2(2 - 3\Psi_n + \Psi_n^3)}}, \quad \xi_w^{\text{high}} = v_J \left(1 - a \frac{(1 - \Psi_n)^b}{\alpha_n} \right)$$

with $a = 0.2233, b = 1.704, p = -3.433$



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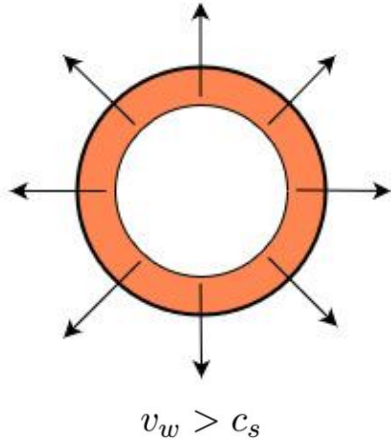
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Thank you!

Backup slides

Detonations: equations



$$v_+ = v_w$$

$$T_+ = T_{\text{nuc}}$$

$$\alpha_+ = \alpha_N \equiv \frac{\Delta \epsilon}{a_+ T_{\text{nuc}}^4}$$

$$v_w v_- = \frac{1 - (1 - 3\alpha_N)r}{3 - 3(1 + \alpha_N)r}$$

$$\frac{v_w}{v_-} = \frac{3 + (1 - 3\alpha_N)r}{1 + 3(1 + \alpha_N)r}$$

$$v_- = \frac{1}{6v_w} \left[1 - 3\alpha_N + 3(1 + \alpha_N)v_w^2 + \sqrt{(1 - 3\alpha_N + 3(1 + \alpha_N)v_w^2)^2 - 12v_w^2} \right]$$

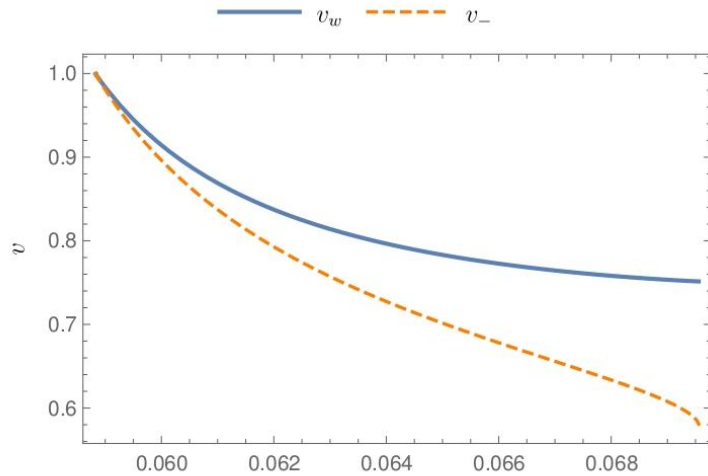
$$v_- = v_w \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma_w}{\gamma_-}\right)^4 b + 3(1 + \alpha_N)}{3\left(\frac{\gamma_w}{\gamma_-}\right)^4 b + (1 - 3\alpha_N)}$$

where $b = \frac{a_-}{a_+}$

$$\gamma_w T_{\text{nuc}} = \gamma_- T_-$$

$$r = \frac{a_+ T_{\text{nuc}}^4}{a_- T_-^4}$$

Detonations: numerical results

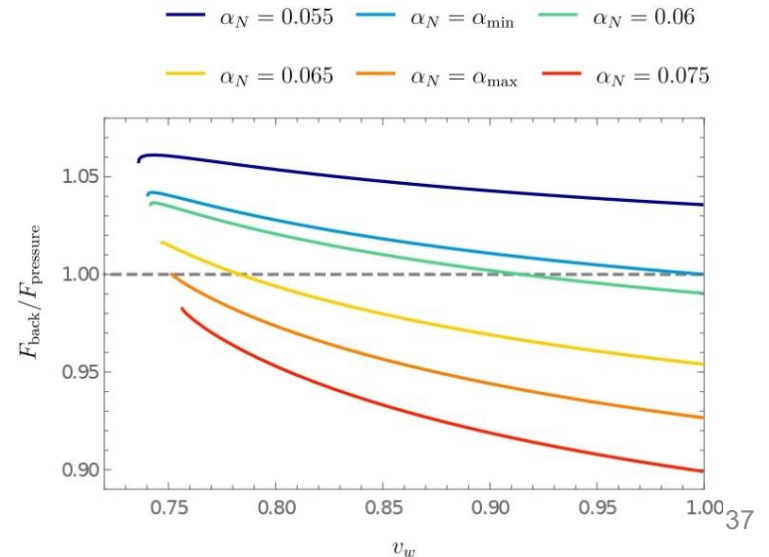
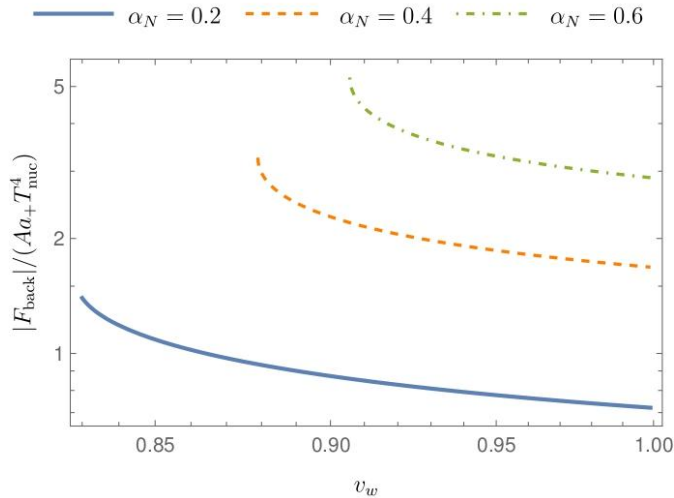


$$(b = 0.85)$$

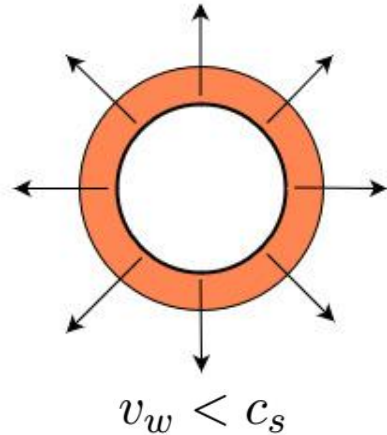
$$\Delta\mathcal{F} = (p_- - p_+)|_{T_{\text{nuc}}} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_N \geq (1 - b)/3 = 0.05$$

$$[\alpha_{\text{min}} \approx 0.059, \alpha_{\text{max}} \approx 0.07]$$

Balance of the forces:



Deflagrations

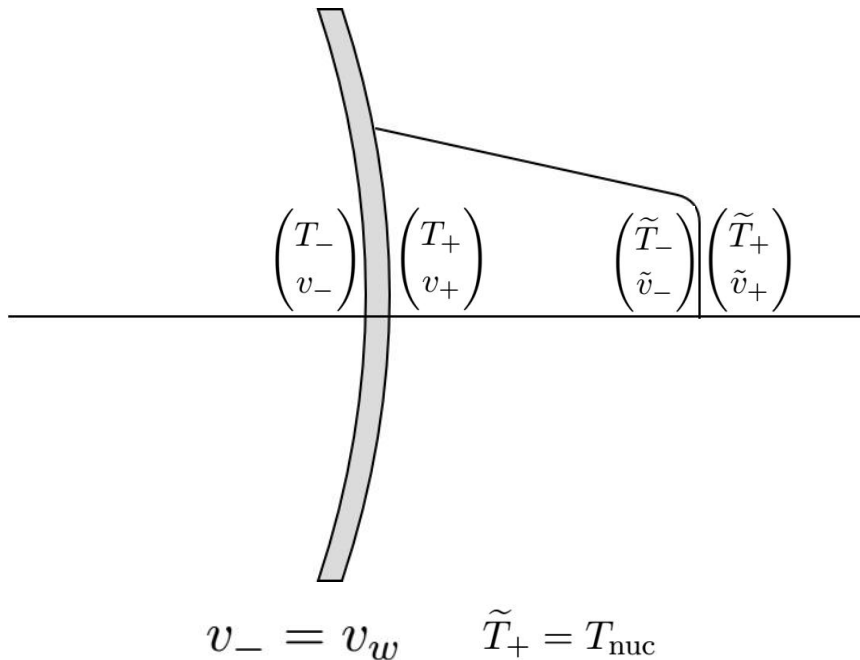


$$v_- = v_w$$

□ Need to relate T_+ , α_+ to T_{nuc} and α_N

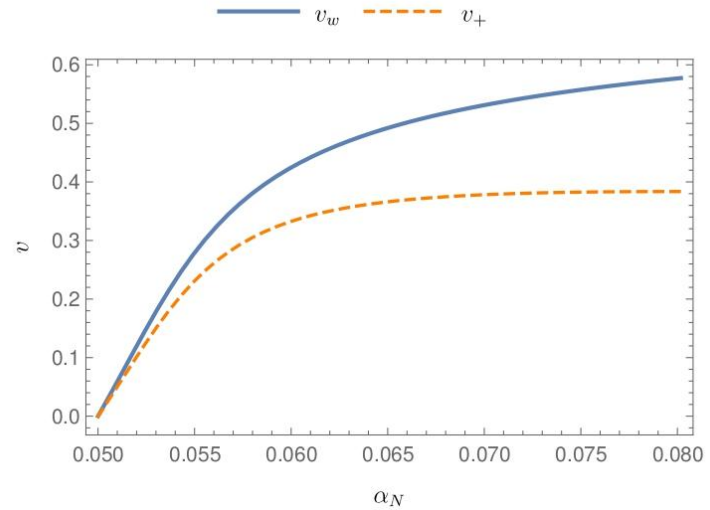
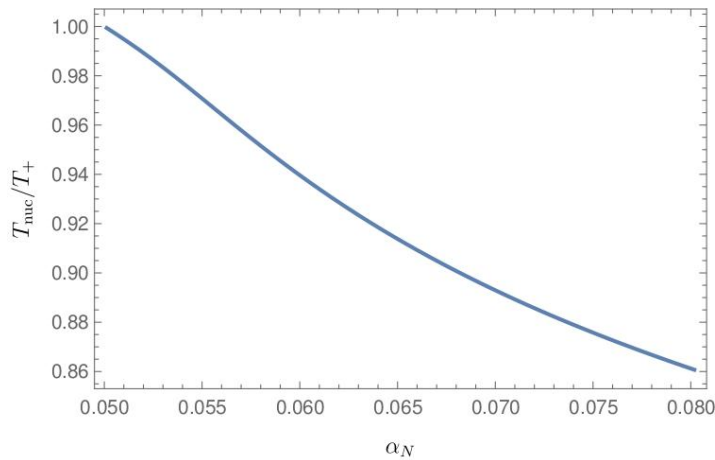
$$\alpha_+ = \frac{\Delta\epsilon}{a_+ T_+^4} = \frac{\Delta\epsilon}{a_{\text{nuc}} T_{\text{nuc}}^4} \frac{a_{\text{nuc}} T_{\text{nuc}}^4}{a_+ T_+^4} = \alpha_N \frac{q^4}{\tilde{b}}$$

$$\left(\tilde{b} = \frac{a_+}{a_{\text{nuc}}}, \quad q = \frac{T_{\text{nuc}}}{T_+} \right)$$



- Solve the fluid velocity and temperature profile away from the bubble wall
- Make use of the matching conditions for the shock-wave front

Deflagrations: numerical results



$$[\alpha'_{\min} \approx 0.0500061, \alpha'_{\max} \approx 0.0789645]$$

For $\alpha_N > \alpha'_{\max}$, no solutions exist for either deflagrations or detonations

➡ Runaway for $\alpha_N > \alpha'_{\max}$ and in LTE