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Periodic Orbits for Dissipative PDEs

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Abstract: We discuss the results on the existence of periodic orbits for the Brusselator system with diffusion

$$\begin{cases} u_t = d_1 u_{xx} - (B + 1)u + u^2 v + A \sin(x) & \text{for } (x, t) \in (0, \pi) \times (0, \infty), \\ v_t = d_2 v_{xx} + Bu - u^2 v & \text{for } (x, t) \in (0, \pi) \times (0, \infty), \\ u(t, x) = v(t, x) = 0 & \text{for } (x, t) \in \{0, \pi\} \times (0, \infty), \end{cases}$$

and for the nonautonomous Chafee-Infante equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t = u_{xx} + \lambda u + (A \sin(2\pi t) + B)u^3, & \text{for } (x, t) \in (t^0, \pi) \times (0, \infty), \\ u(t, x) = 0 & \text{for } (x, t) \in \{0, \pi\} \times (t^0, \infty). \end{cases}$$

The proofs are computer-assisted and based on interval arithmetic and rigorous integration of dissipative systems. Moreover, for the Chafee-Infante equation, we prove that the periodic orbits are locally attracting.