

Supporting Information for “Reaction-diffusion waves in hydro-mechanically coupled porous solids”

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S1. Linear stability analysis

The proposed system of reaction-cross-diffusion equations (equation 9 and 10 in the main text) describing the porous material behavior post yield are high-order nonlinear partial differential equations, for which no analytical solutions can be obtained. To conduct the linear stability analysis, we first consider a set of solutions described by a small perturbation (denoted with *) around the steady state $(\tilde{p}_{s0}, \tilde{p}_{f0})=(0, 0)$:

$$\tilde{p}_s(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) = \tilde{p}_{s0}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) + \tilde{p}_s^*(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}), \quad (1)$$

$$\tilde{p}_f(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) = \tilde{p}_{f0}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) + \tilde{p}_f^*(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}), \quad (2)$$

The perturbation satisfies the following linearized version of the cross-diffusion equations given by:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{p}_s^*}{\partial \tilde{t}} = \tilde{D}_M \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{p}_s^*}{\partial \tilde{x}^2} + \tilde{d}_H \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{p}_s^*}{\partial \tilde{x}^2} + \tilde{a}_{11} \tilde{p}_s^* + \tilde{a}_{12} \tilde{p}_f^* \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{p}_f^*}{\partial \tilde{t}} = \tilde{d}_M \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{p}_s^*}{\partial \tilde{x}^2} + \tilde{D}_H \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{p}_s^*}{\partial \tilde{x}^2} + \tilde{a}_{21} \tilde{p}_s^* + \tilde{a}_{22} \tilde{p}_f^* \quad (4)$$

where $\tilde{a}_{11} = \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_1}{\partial \tilde{p}_s} \right|_{\tilde{p}_s = \tilde{p}_{s0}}$, $\tilde{a}_{12} = \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_1}{\partial \tilde{p}_f} \right|_{\tilde{p}_f = \tilde{p}_{f0}}$, $\tilde{a}_{21} = \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_2}{\partial \tilde{p}_s} \right|_{\tilde{p}_s = \tilde{p}_{s0}}$, $\tilde{a}_{22} = \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{R}_2}{\partial \tilde{p}_f} \right|_{\tilde{p}_f = \tilde{p}_{f0}}$ are the first order derivatives of the normalized reaction terms.

By applying a space Fourier transform to the above equations, the perturbation can be expressed as:

$$\tilde{p}_s^*(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) = \tilde{p}_s^* \exp(ik\tilde{x} + s_k \tilde{t}) \quad (5)$$

$$\tilde{p}_f^*(\tilde{x}, \tilde{t}) = \tilde{p}_f^* \exp(ik\tilde{x} + s_k \tilde{t}) \quad (6)$$

where k denotes the wavenumber in space while s_k is the growth rate of the perturbation. By substituting Eq. (5) and Eq. (6) into Eq. (3) and Eq. (4), the applied perturbation translates into:

$$\begin{bmatrix} s_k + k^2 \tilde{D}_M - \tilde{a}_{11} & k^2 \tilde{d}_H - \tilde{a}_{12} \\ k^2 \tilde{d}_M - \tilde{a}_{21} & s_k + k^2 \tilde{D}_H - \tilde{a}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{p}_s^* \\ \tilde{p}_f^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

which leads to the following condition:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} s_k + k^2 \tilde{D}_M - \tilde{a}_{11} & k^2 \tilde{d}_H - \tilde{a}_{12} \\ k^2 \tilde{d}_M - \tilde{a}_{21} & s_k + k^2 \tilde{D}_H - \tilde{a}_{22} \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (8)$$

From Eq. (8), we derive a characteristic equation of s_k :

$$s_k^2 - \text{tr}_k s_k + \Delta_k = 0 \quad (9)$$

where $\text{tr}_k = (\tilde{a}_{11} + \tilde{a}_{22}) - k^2(\tilde{D}_M + \tilde{D}_H)$ and $\Delta_k = \tilde{a}_{11}\tilde{a}_{22} - \tilde{a}_{12}\tilde{a}_{21} + k^4(\tilde{D}_M\tilde{D}_H - \tilde{d}_M\tilde{d}_H) - k^2(\tilde{a}_{11}\tilde{D}_H + \tilde{a}_{22}\tilde{D}_M - \tilde{a}_{21}\tilde{d}_H - \tilde{a}_{12}\tilde{d}_M)$. Thus, the solution of Eq. (8) is expressed as

$$s_k = \frac{\text{tr}_k \pm \sqrt{\text{tr}_k^2 - 4\Delta_k}}{2} \quad (10)$$

Based on material stability theory, the system becomes unstable in the Lyapunov sense if there exists $\text{Re}(s_k) > 0$ since the perturbation would increase with time in this case. Moreover, if s_{k_c} is

a real number upon the occurrence of an instability (i.e. $s_{k_c} \geq 0$ for the critical wavenumber k_c), the system undergoes a saddle-node bifurcation or the so-called Turing bifurcation, along with the previous stable nodes in the phase space changing to the unstable saddle. However, if s_{k_c} is a pure complex number upon the occurrence of instability, the system undergoes a Hopf bifurcation as the previous stable focus in the phase space changes to an unstable one. Based on the above derivation, we present in the main manuscript a detailed discussion of these typical types of instabilities as well as a newly discovered quasisoliton wave type in relation to reaction-diffusion waves in the context of poromechanics.