# Speed of domain walls in thin nanotubes: The transition from the linear to the magnonic regime

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Numerical simulations of domain-wall propagation in thin nanotubes when an external magnetic field is applied along the nanotube axis have shown an unexpected behavior, described as a transition from a linear to a magnonic regime. As the applied magnetic field increases, the initial regime of linear growth of speed with the field is followed by a sudden change in slope accompanied by the emission of spin waves. In this work an analytical formula for the speed of the domain wall that explains this behavior is derived by means of an asymptotic study of the Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert equation for thin nanotubes. We show that the dynamics can be reduced to a one-dimensional hyperbolic reaction diffusion equation, namely, the damped double sine-Gordon equation, which shows the transition to the magnonic regime as the domain-wall speed approaches the speed of spin waves. This equation has been previously found to describe domain-wall propagation in weak ferromagnets with mobility proportional to the Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction constant; for Permalloy nanotubes the mobility is proportional to the nanotube radius.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Magnetic domain-wall propagation is a subject of much current interest due to its possible applications in magnetic memory devices. Understanding and controlling the motion of domain walls is essential for applications. In the micromagnetic approach, the magnetization is governed by the Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert (LLG) equation [1,2],

$$\frac{\partial \vec{m}}{\partial t} = -\gamma_0 \vec{m} \times \vec{H}_{\rm eff}(\vec{m}) + \alpha \vec{m} \times \frac{\partial \vec{m}}{\partial t}, \tag{1}$$

where  $\vec{m}$  is the unit magnetization vector, that is, the magnetization  $\vec{M} = M_s \vec{m}$ , where  $M_s$  is the constant saturation magnetization, a property of the material. The constant  $\gamma_0 =$  $|\gamma|\mu_0$ , where  $\gamma$  is the gyromagnetic ratio of the electron and  $\mu_0$  is the magnetic permeability of vacuum. The parameter  $\alpha > 0$  is the dimensionless phenomenological Gilbert damping constant. The effective magnetic field  $\vec{H}_{eff}$  includes the physical interactions and the external applied field  $\vec{H}_a$ . The different physical phenomena that must be included in the effective field and the geometry of the ferromagnetic material together with the intrinsic nonlinearity of the problem imply that exact analytical solutions are generally nonexistent so that numerical and approximate analytic methods have been developed to understand experimental results and predict new phenomena. The exact solution of Walker [3,4] developed for an infinite medium with an easy axis, a local approximation for the demagnetizing field, including exchange interaction and under the action of an external magnetic field along the easy axis, shows that when the applied field is small, the speed of the domain wall increases linearly with the field. When the applied field reaches a critical value, the Walker field  $H_{\rm w}$ , the magnetization enters into a precessing motion. This behavior, which is encountered even when additional physical effects and different geometries are studied, puts a limit to the maximum speed that a domain wall can achieve.

For applications it is desirable to have stable domain walls and to reach high propagation velocities. For such purposes different physical effects and geometries have been considered. Numerical simulations for thin Permalloy nanotubes under the action of an external field along the nanotube axis showed unexpected behavior [5,6]. For small fields the speed increases linearly with the field, reaching a plateau at relatively low applied field and very high velocity. No instability nor Walker breakdown of the domain wall was observed for this material in the parameter regime studied. This unexpected behavior occurs for a specific chirality of the domain wall, namely, right-handed domain walls (see Fig. 4 in [6]) for which the radial component of the magnetization remains small throughout the motion [6].

The main result of this manuscript is the derivation of an analytical expression for the speed of the domain wall which explains the linear increase at small fields, the reaching of a plateau, and the high values of the velocity. For Permalloy, a material of negligible uniaxial anisotropy, we find that the speed is given by

$$v = \frac{\gamma_0 R H_a}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \mu_0 R^2 H_a^2 / (2A)}},$$
 (2)

where A is the exchange constant [7] and R the thin nanotube radius. For small applied fields we recover the linear regime [8],

$$v_{\rm L} = \frac{\gamma_0}{\alpha} R H_a,\tag{3}$$

whereas for large applied fields the speed tends to the constant value,

$$v_{\infty} = \gamma_0 \sqrt{\frac{2A}{\mu_0}} = 1006 \,\mathrm{ms}^{-1}$$
 for Permalloy, (4)

which we identify with the minimal phase speed of spin waves. Following the notation used for weak ferromagnets, notice that Eq. (2) can be written as  $v = \mu H_a/\sqrt{1 + \mu^2 H_a^2/v_{\infty}^2}$  with mobility  $\mu = (dv/dH_a)|_{H_a=0} = \gamma_0 R/\alpha$ . The rise of the speed with the field is very fast; for a Permalloy nanotube of radius R = 55 nanometers, for an external field field  $B = \mu_0 H_a = 2$  mT, Eq. (2) yields v = 893 m s<sup>-1</sup>.

The suppression of the Walker breakdown together with a slowdown of a domain wall as it approaches the phase speed of spin waves has been encountered previously in different problems. In antiferromagnets with Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction (DMI), the mobility was found to be proportional to the DMI constant [9-11]. See the recent review [12] for additional references. A similar behavior was found in rough nanowires [13,14] and in nanowires with a strong hard axis perpendicular to the wire when an external field is applied along the wire [15-17]. A theoretical explanation for the effect of spin waves on Bloch walls was given in Ref. [18], where it was shown that the transition to the magnonic regime may occur before or after the Walker breakdown, depending on the parameters of the problem; see also [19,20]. In all these works bulk matter or thin films were the subject of study. For Permalloy nanotubes the numerical simulations of [5,6] show that the sudden change of slope in the rate of increase of the speed of domain walls (DWs) is accompanied by Cherenkov spin-wave emission once the DW speed exceeds the phase speed of the spin waves.

In the present work we study theoretically the DW propagation in Permalloy nanotubes and find that curvature acts as an additional anisotropy and plays an equivalent role to the DMI in weak ferromagnets. The parallel between curvature of a nanotube and DMI has been observed in Refs. [21–23], among other works. In [23] it is shown that the analytical expression of the dispersion relation for spin waves in a nanotube has the same mathematical form as the dispersion relation for spin waves in thin films with DMI. Here we find this mathematical analogy in the mobility of the domain wall. See [24] for a recent comprehensive review of the dynamics of magnetic nanotubes. Although simulations have been carried out for Permalloy, in the derivation below we will allow a material with non-negligible uniaxial anisotropy for greater generality.

#### **II. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM**

Consider a thin nanotube with an easy direction along the nanotube axis, which we choose as the *z* axis. The dynamic evolution of the magnetization is governed by the LLG equation, Eq. (1). A right-handed orthogonal cylindrical coordinate system  $(\rho, \varphi, z)$  is introduced as shown in Fig. 1, in terms of which the unit magnetization vector is written as  $\vec{m} = m_{\rho}(\rho, \varphi, z)\hat{\rho} + m_{\varphi}(\rho, \varphi, z)\hat{\varphi} + m_{z}(\rho, \varphi, z)\hat{z}.$ 

For sufficiently thin tubes the demagnetizing field can be approximated by a local expression with the saturation magnetization acting as an effective radial hard-axis anisotropy [8,25,26]. In this approximation and including exchange energy, uniaxial anisotropy energy, demagnetization energy, and Zeeman energy, the micromagnetic energy can be

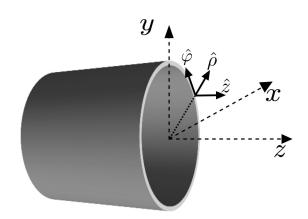


FIG. 1. Cylindrical coordinate system in the nanotube.

written as [7,8]

$$E = \int_{\Omega} d^3x \bigg[ A |\nabla \vec{m}|^2 + K_u \big( 1 - m_z^2 \big) + \frac{\mu_0 M_s^2}{2} m_\rho^2 - H_a m_z \bigg],$$
(5)

where  $\Omega$  is the material volume of the nanotube, A is the exchange constant,  $K_u$  the uniaxial anisotropy, and an external field  $\vec{H}_a = H_a \hat{z}$  has been applied along the axis. The effective field is given by

$$\vec{H}_{\rm eff} = -\frac{1}{\mu_0 M_s} \frac{\delta E}{\delta \vec{m}}.$$

In a very thin nanotube, variations of the magnetization with radius may be neglected so that the unit magnetization depends only on the polar coordinate  $\varphi$  and the axial position *z*. With  $\vec{m} = \vec{m}(\varphi, z)$ , the effective magnetic field can be written as [8]

$$\vec{H}_e = \frac{2A}{\mu_0 M_s} \left[ \frac{1}{R^2} \frac{\partial^2 \vec{m}}{\partial \varphi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \vec{m}}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{2K_u}{\mu_0 M_s} m_z \hat{z} - M_s m_\rho \hat{\rho} + H_a \hat{z}.$$
(6)

Introducing  $M_s$  as the unit of magnetic field and introducing the dimensionless space and time variables  $\xi = z/R$  and  $\tau = \gamma_0 M_s t$ , we rewrite Eqs. (1) and (6) in dimensionless form as

$$\frac{d\vec{m}}{d\tau} = -\vec{m} \times \vec{h}_{\rm eff} + \alpha \vec{m} \times \frac{d\vec{m}}{d\tau},\tag{7}$$

with

$$\vec{h}_{\rm eff} = A_0 \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \vec{m}}{\partial \varphi^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \vec{m}}{\partial \xi^2} \right] + k_u m_z \hat{z} - m_\rho \hat{\rho} + h_a \hat{z}, \quad (8)$$

where  $h_a$  is the dimensionless applied field. The dimensionless numbers that have appeared are  $k_u = 2K_u/(\mu_0 M_s^2)$  and  $A_0$ , the square of the ratio between the exchange length  $l_{ex} = \sqrt{2A/\mu_0 M_s^2}$  and the radius, that is,  $A_0 = 2A/(\mu_0 M_s^2 R^2)$ . Equations (7) and (8) describe the dynamics of the problem.

Numerical simulations [5,6] have been performed for Permalloy for which the exchange constant  $A = 1.3 \times 10^{-11}$ J m<sup>-1</sup>,  $M_s = 8 \times 10^5$  A m<sup>-1</sup>,  $K_u \approx 0$ , and the external applied field does not exceed  $10^{-2}M_s$ . The nanotube used in simulations has inner radius *R* and width *w* with  $w \ll R$ . Here we neglect the variations with radius and consider the range  $R = 55-100 \times 10^{-9}$  m. The vacuum permeability  $\mu_0 =$   $4\pi \times 10^{-7}$  N A<sup>-2</sup> so that  $\mu_0 M_s \approx 1$  T. We take the value  $\gamma_0 = 2.21 \times 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ T}^{-1}$ . For Permalloy the exchange length is  $l_{ex} = 5.68$  nm, and for a radius of 80 nm,  $l_{ex}/R = 0.071$ . The uniaxial anisotropy vanishes,  $k_u = 0$ , and the dimensionless applied field is in the range  $0 < h_a < 10^{-2}$ . The damping parameter  $\alpha$  in numerical simulations ranges from 0.01 to 0.03.

In the numerical simulations of Permalloy nanotubes [5,6] it is observed that a right-handed vortex-type domain wall is stable against the Walker breakdown when driven with a magnetic field. The handedness of the domain wall in [5,6] is defined in relation to the applied field: a propagating domain wall is called right handed if  $(\vec{m} \times \vec{H}_a) \cdot \hat{\rho} > 0$ . Left-handed domain walls become unstable and convert into the other, stable chirality. In this work we are interested in the speed of the stable DW, which will be selected through scaling in the asymptotic solution.

## **III. ASYMPTOTIC SOLUTION**

In this section we perform an asymptotic analysis of the LLG equation to find a reduced model for the evolution of the domain wall as the applied field increases. The reduced model will be valid for a restricted parameter range which is chosen based on the numerical results described above for Permalloy. We are interested in right-handed vortex walls for which the radial component of the magnetization is small,  $m_{\rho} \ll 1$  [5,6]. Introducing a small dimensionless parameter  $\epsilon$ , we write this condition as

$$m_{\rho} = \epsilon \tilde{m}_{\rho}. \tag{9}$$

The normalization condition  $\vec{m}^2 = 1$  becomes

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$$m_{\varphi}^2 + m_z^2 = 1 - \epsilon^2 \tilde{m}_{\rho}^2.$$
 (10)

We will model a situation in which the ratio  $l_{ex}/R$  and the Gilbert constant are of the same order in  $\epsilon$  as the radial component of the magnetization. We assume that the applied field and uniaxial anisotropy are of an order smaller. Then let

$$A_0 = \epsilon^2 \tilde{A}, \quad k_u = \epsilon^2 \tilde{k_u}, \quad h_a = \epsilon^2 \tilde{h}_a, \quad \alpha = \epsilon \tilde{\alpha}.$$
 (11)

It is found that a consistent asymptotic approach can be obtained if a new timescale  $s = \epsilon \tau$  is introduced. With these scalings, the components of the effective magnetic field can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{h}_{\text{eff}})_{\rho} &= -\epsilon \tilde{m}_{\rho} - 2\epsilon^{2} \tilde{A} \frac{\partial m_{\varphi}}{\partial \varphi} + \epsilon^{3} \tilde{A} \Big( \nabla_{s}^{2} \tilde{m}_{\rho} - \tilde{m}_{\rho} \Big) \\ &= \epsilon H_{\rho}^{0} + \epsilon^{2} H_{\rho}^{1} + \epsilon^{3} H_{\rho}^{2}, \end{aligned}$$
(12a)

$$(\vec{h}_{\rm eff})_{\varphi} = \epsilon^2 \tilde{A} \left( \nabla_s^2 m_{\varphi} - m_{\varphi} \right) + 2\epsilon^3 \tilde{A} \frac{\partial \tilde{m}_{\rho}}{\partial \varphi} = \epsilon^2 H_{\varphi}^1 + \epsilon^3 H_{\varphi}^2, \qquad (12b)$$

$$(\vec{h}_{\rm eff})_z = \epsilon^2 \big( \tilde{h}_a + \tilde{A} \nabla_s^2 m_z + \tilde{k}_u m_z \big) = \epsilon^2 H_z^1, \qquad (12c)$$

where  $\nabla_s^2 = \partial_{\xi\xi} + \partial_{\varphi\varphi}$  and where we grouped terms according to the power of  $\epsilon$  so that  $H^0_{\rho} = -\tilde{m}_{\rho}$ ,  $H^1_{\varphi} = \tilde{A}(\nabla_s^2 m_{\varphi} - m_{\varphi})$ , and  $H^1_z = \tilde{h}_a + \tilde{A}\nabla_s^2 m_z + \tilde{k}_u m_z$ . In obtaining these expressions for the effective field the property  $\partial \hat{\rho} / \partial \varphi = \hat{\varphi}$ ,  $\partial \hat{\varphi} / \partial \varphi = -\hat{\rho}$  is used.

Introducing the scaling for  $\alpha$  and  $m_{\rho}$  in the LLG equation, we obtain at leading order in  $\epsilon$ ,

$$\dot{\tilde{m}}_{\rho} = -\left(m_{\varphi}H_z^1 - m_z H_{\varphi}^1\right) + \tilde{\alpha}(m_{\varphi}\dot{m}_z - m_z \dot{m}_{\varphi}), \quad (13a)$$

$$\dot{m}_{\varphi} = -m_z H_{\rho}^0, \tag{13b}$$

$$\dot{m}_z = m_\varphi H_\varrho^0, \tag{13c}$$

where a dot represents a derivative with respect to the scaled time variable *s* and the subindices represent the components of each vector.

The normalization condition (10) implies that, at leading order, we may write

$$m_{\varphi} = \sin \theta(\xi, \varphi, s), \quad m_z = \cos \theta(\xi, \varphi, s).$$
 (14)

It follows then that Eqs. (13b) and (13c) are equivalent and imply

$$\dot{\theta} = -H^0_\rho = \tilde{m}_\rho. \tag{15}$$

Replacing the value of  $\tilde{m}_{\rho}$  from (15) in (13a) together with the expressions for the effective field  $H_{\varphi}^1, H_z^1$ , the evolution equation for  $\theta$  is found to be

$$\ddot{\theta} + \tilde{\alpha} \,\dot{\theta} = \tilde{A}(\theta_{\xi\xi} + \theta_{\varphi\varphi}) - \sin\theta[\tilde{h}_a + (\tilde{A} + \tilde{k}_u)\cos\theta], \quad (16)$$

where the subscripts in  $\theta$  denote derivatives with respect to  $\xi$  and  $\varphi$ , respectively. Notice that one may go back to the original unscaled variables and the small parameter  $\epsilon$  cancels out.

In what follows we study cylindrically symmetric domain walls for which  $\theta_{\varphi} = 0$  and identify the evolution equation with the damped double sine-Gordon (DSG) equation,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial \tau^2} + \alpha \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} = A_0 \theta_{\xi\xi} - \sin \theta [h_a + (A_0 + k_u) \cos \theta], \quad (17)$$

a particular case of hyperbolic reaction diffusion equation for which the existence and stability of traveling waves have been studied rigorously in [27,28].

This equation has been derived in the analysis of domainwall propagation in weak ferromagnets [9-11,29] and in systems with a strong easy plane [16,30]. In [11] the dependence of mobility on the Dzyaloshinskii constant is derived with great detail. A common feature in these problems is the sudden decrease in the rate of increase of the speed with the applied field.

This equation has the same traveling-wave solutions as the reaction diffusion equation  $\alpha \dot{\theta} =$  $A_0\theta_{\xi\xi} - \sin\theta(h_a + (A_0 + k_u)\cos\theta)$ but with velocity  $c = c_{\rm r}/\sqrt{1 + c_{\rm r}^2/A_0}$ , where  $c_{\rm r}$  is the speed of fronts of the reaction diffusion equation [27]. We give the explicit expression for the head-to-head (HH) domain wall; the tail-to-tail solution is similar. The HH solution is found to be the usual domain-wall profile,

$$\theta(\xi, t) = 2 \arctan\left[\exp\left(\frac{\xi - c\tau}{\Delta}\right)\right],$$
(18)

with the speed c and domain-wall width  $\Delta$  given by

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{A_0}{A_0 + k_u}} \frac{h_a}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 + (A_0 + k_u)^{-1} h_a^2}}, \quad \Delta = \frac{\alpha c}{h_a}.$$
 (19)

The leading-order magnetization  $\vec{m} = m_{\omega}\hat{\varphi} + m_{z}\hat{z}$  is given by

$$\vec{m} = \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{\xi - c\tau}{\Delta}\right)\hat{\varphi} - \tanh\left(\frac{\xi - c\tau}{\Delta}\right)\hat{z}.$$
 (20)

The external field is applied along the *z* axis, so the magnetization is a right-handed ( $m_{\varphi} \ge 0$ ) head-to-head domain wall as defined in [6]. The small radial component of the magnetization is calculated from (15).

For a small applied field we recover the linear regime, that is, the speed increases linearly with the field, and the domainwall width tends to a constant value, that is,

$$\lim_{h_{a} \to 0} c = \sqrt{\frac{A_{0}}{A_{0} + k_{u}}} \frac{h_{a}}{\alpha}, \quad \lim_{h_{a} \to 0} \Delta = \sqrt{\frac{A_{0}}{A_{0} + k_{u}}}.$$
 (21)

In this limit the dynamics is primarily governed by the reaction diffusion equation  $\alpha \theta_{\tau} = A_0 \theta_{\xi\xi} - \sin \theta [h_a + (A_0 + k_u) \cos \theta]$ , as already found in [8].

In terms of the physical parameters, the dimensional domain-wall width for small field  $\delta = \Delta R$  and speed  $v_L$  can be written as

$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\frac{A}{R^2} + K_u}}, \quad v_L = \gamma_0 \frac{H_a}{\alpha} \delta.$$

For Permalloy,  $K_u = 0$  and  $\delta = R$ , in agreement with the results for a static domain wall in a thin nanotube [31]. The speed  $v_L$  coincides with the low-field Walker solution  $v_W = \gamma_0 H_a \sqrt{A/K}/\alpha$ , with *K* an effective anisotropy  $A/R^2$ . In the limit of large radius the domain-wall width for an in-plane magnetized thin film,  $\sqrt{A/K_u}$ , is recovered.

For large applied field the speed tends to a constant value, and the domain-wall width decreases as the field increases,

$$\lim_{h_a \to \infty} c = \sqrt{A_0} \quad \lim_{h_a \to \infty} \Delta = \frac{\alpha \sqrt{A_0}}{h_a}.$$
 (22)

This limiting value for the speed corresponds to the minimal value of the phase velocity for spin waves,  $v_{p_{min}}$ . In effect, consider a material like Permalloy with vanishing uniaxial anisotropy for simplicity. The dispersion relation for the DSG equation (17), for vanishing damping and vanishing applied field, is given by  $\omega_{\text{DSG}} = \sqrt{A_0}\sqrt{1 + k^2}$ , so that the phase speed is a decreasing function of k which tends asymptotically to  $\sqrt{A_0}$  as k grows. The full dispersion relation for spin waves in a thin nanotube, in the absence of damping and applied field, with vanishing uniaxial anisotropy, is given by [32]

$$\omega = \frac{\sqrt{A_0}}{2}\sqrt{(1+k^2) + A_0(1+k^2)^2}$$
(23)

in the units used in this work. We see that for small  $A_0$  the full dispersion relation coincides, up to a constant, with  $\omega_{DSG}$ .

The evolution equation (17) shows the transition from the low-field regime where the speed of the domain wall increases linearly with the field to the regime where the domain-wall speed approaches  $v_{p_{min}}$  and is slowed down by emitting spin waves. In order to capture the large applied field regime where the DW speed exceeds  $v_{p_{min}}$  and Cherenkov emission occurs, a different scaling is needed. The DW width shrinks with increasing field,  $\Delta \approx \alpha \sqrt{A_0}/h_a$ , which indicates that at larger fields a new scaling for the longitudinal coordinate  $\xi$  is

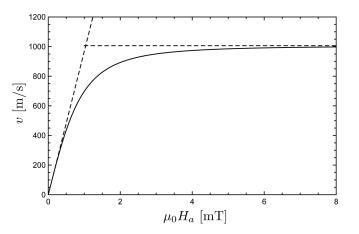


FIG. 2. Speed of the domain wall vs applied field in millitesla for a thin Permalloy nanotube of radius R = 55 nm. At low field the speed increases linearly with the field, and after a sudden change in slope the speed tends to a constant value  $v_{\infty}$  at large fields. The dashed lines show the limiting speeds  $v_{\rm L}$  and  $v_{\infty}$ .

required. The damped DSG equation captures the emission of spin waves that occurs below but close to  $v_{p_{min}}$ . A different transition occurs at  $h_a^{\text{KPP}} = 2A_0$  when the speed

A different transition occurs at  $h_a^{\text{KPP}} = 2A_0$  when the speed of the reaction diffusion equation  $c_r$  changes from a pushed to a pulled or Kolmogorov-Petrovsky-Piskunov (KPP) front [33] and  $c_r$  becomes proportional to the square root of the applied field.

In what follows consider Permalloy for which  $k_u = 0$ . Going back to dimensional quantities, the speed of the domain wall for Permalloy is given by Eq. (2), with the limiting values at low and high fields, Eqs. (3) and (4). In Fig. 2 a graph of speed as a function of applied field shows a gradual change from the linear to the magnonic regime. We have used the values given above for Permalloy.

An approximate estimate of the field  $H_a^*$  at which this transition occurs is obtained by the intersection  $v_{\rm L}(H_a^*) = v_{\infty}$ , which yields

$$H_a^* = \frac{\alpha}{R} \sqrt{\frac{2A}{\mu_0}}.$$

For Permalloy we obtain  $v_{\infty} = 1006 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , and  $B_a^* = \mu_0 H_a^* = 0.001 \text{ T}$ . The transition to the KPP regime occurs at a much higher field,  $B_a^{\text{KPP}} = \mu_0 H_a^{\text{KPP}} = 0.021 \text{ T}$ , and is not associated to the transition from the linear to the magnonic regime. In this simple model the order of magnitude of the speed and the value of the field at which the transition from the linear to the magnonic regime occurs agrees with the order of magnitude of the numerical simulations of the LLG equation.

## **IV. SUMMARY**

We studied the dynamics of a vortex domain wall in a thin nanotube by means of an asymptotic study of the Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert equation in a parameter regime based on existing numerical simulations [5,6]. The numerical simulations on Permalloy nanotubes in a certain range of radii showed that when an external field is applied along the axis, domain walls of one type of chirality, for which the radial magnetization remains small during the motion, are stable and can reach high speeds. Initially the speed increases linearly with the applied field, and at higher fields the rate of increase is slowed by the emission of spin waves. No Walker breakdown was observed in the parameter range considered in the numerical studies. Domain walls of the opposite chirality are unstable, and as the field increases they convert into DWs of stable chirality.

The purpose of this work was to analytically understand the behavior of the speed of domain walls of stable chirality as a function of the applied field. Through an asymptotic analysis the LLG was reduced to the damped double sine-Gordon equation from which an explicit analytic formula for the speed as a function of the applied field was obtained together with the leading-order DW profile. This model captures the initial regime of linear growth of the speed followed by a slowdown in the rate of increase through the emission of spin waves before reaching the minimal phase speed of the spin waves, which is an upper bound on the speed of the DW in this model. The order of magnitude of the speed and the value of the applied field where the transition from the linear to the magnonic regime occurs is in agreement with the numerical results of [5,6]. In order to reach higher fields and capture the PHYSICAL REVIEW B 100, 144402 (2019)

Cherenkov spin-wave emission process a different asymptotic regime is necessary.

For Permalloy, which has vanishing uniaxial anisotropy, the ratio of the exchange constant with the square of the radius of the nanotube  $A/R^2$  plays the role of an effective uniaxial anisotropy which leads to a mobility proportional to the nanotube radius. In contrast, for weak ferromagnets the mobility is proportional to de Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya constant. That the effect of curvature acts as an equivalent effective anisotropy was already shown in [8,22], and an analogy between the effect of DMI and curvature was found in the dispersion relation of spin waves in a nanotube [23]. The results in this manuscript show a similar effect when studying the transition from the linear to the magnonic DW regime in nanotubes.

An analytical approach to the regime of higher field, where Cherenkov emission occurs, will be the subject of future study.

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