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Reaction-Diffusion Simulations for Multiply-Waisted Hourglass Geometries¹ THOMAS OLSEN, YU HOU, ADAM KOWALSKI, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR, RICHARD WIENER, Pacific University, Forest Grove, OR — In previous work, the Reaction-Diffusion model ² correctly predicted a period doubling cascade to chaos in Taylor-Couette flow with hourglass geometry³. Our current calculations apply the model to Taylor-Couette flow in a cylindrical geometry with multiple waists of super-critical flow connected by regions of barely supercritical flow. We compare our results to the findings of an ongoing experimental program.

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