

# Continuations beyond the singularity, loss of phase, stochastic interactions, and universality

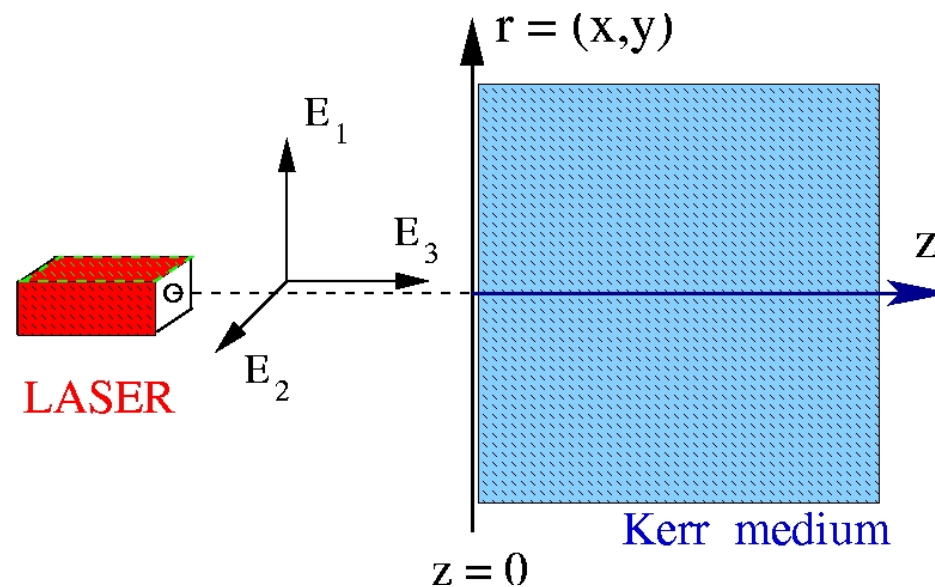
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# Physical setup

- Propagation of intense laser beams in homogeneous medium (air, water, glass, ...)

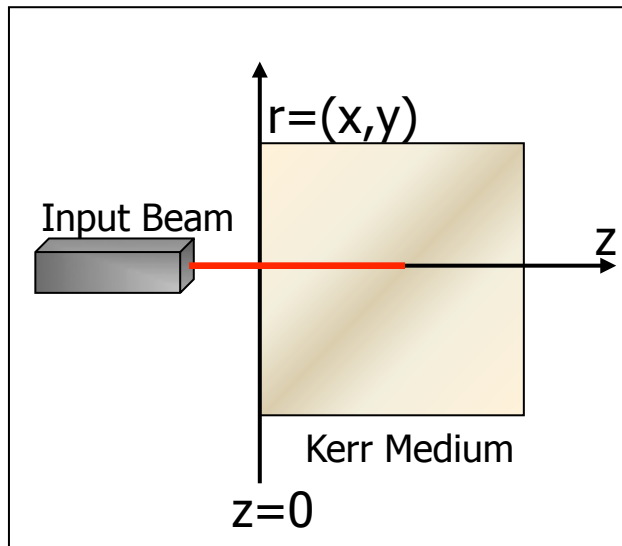


- $z$  is direction of propagation

# Mathematical model

- Propagation governed by nonlinear Maxwell's eqs.
- Approximate by nonlinear Schrödinger eq. (NLS)

$$i\psi_z(z, x, y) + \Delta\psi + |\psi|^2\psi = 0, \quad \Delta\psi = \psi_{xx} + \psi_{yy}$$



- $z$  " "  $t$  (evolution variable)

$$\psi(z=0, x, y) = \psi_0(x, y)$$

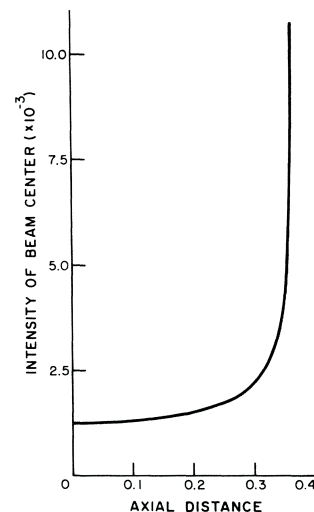
- Initial value problem in  $z$

# Finite-time singularity

$z \rightarrow t$

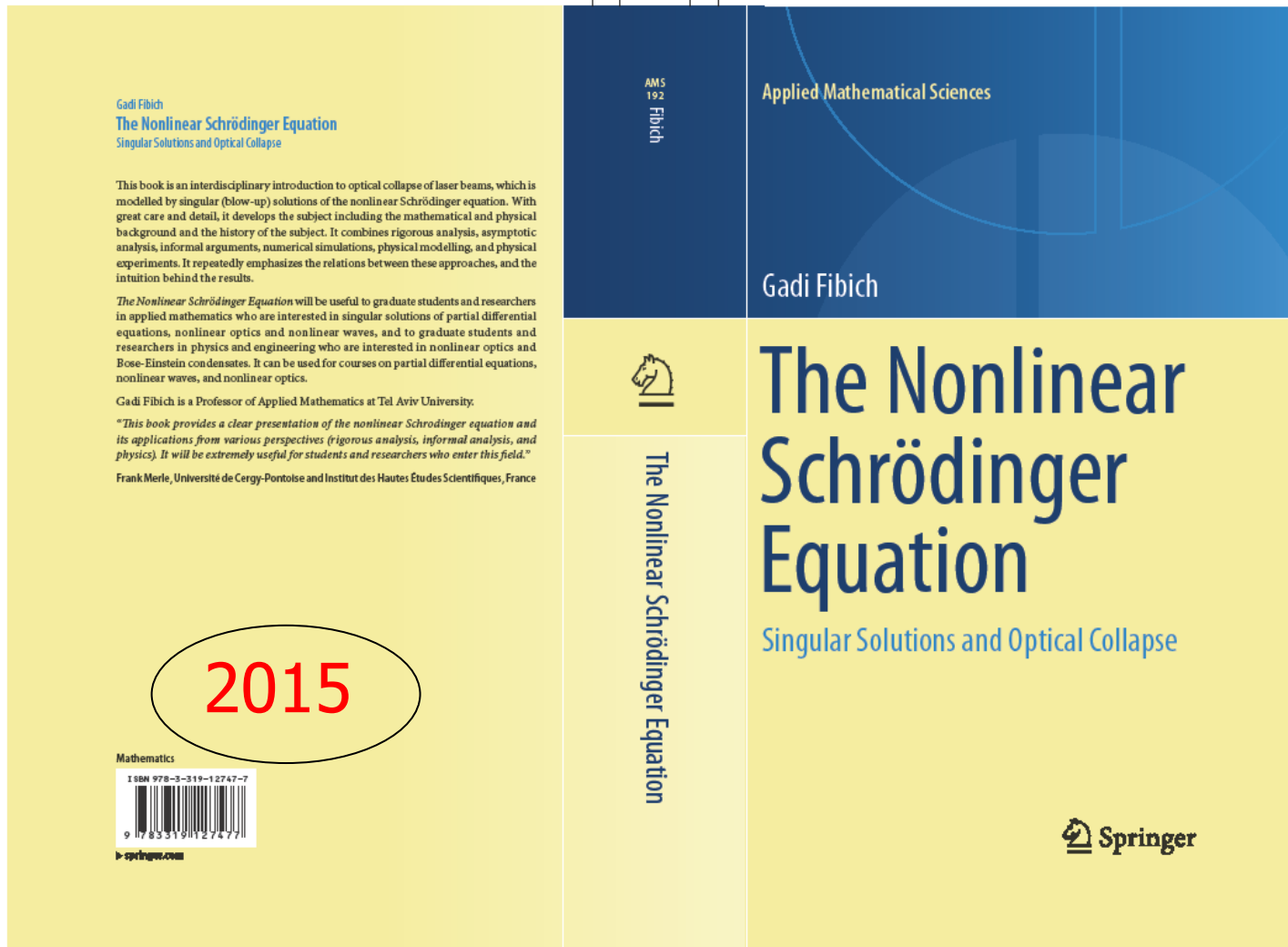
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- Kelley (1965) : NLS Solutions can become singular (blowup) in finite distance/time  $T_c$

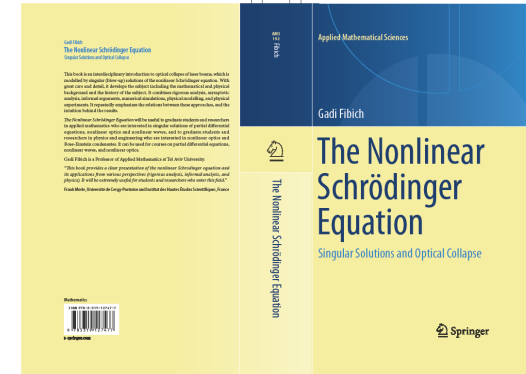


# Optical collapse

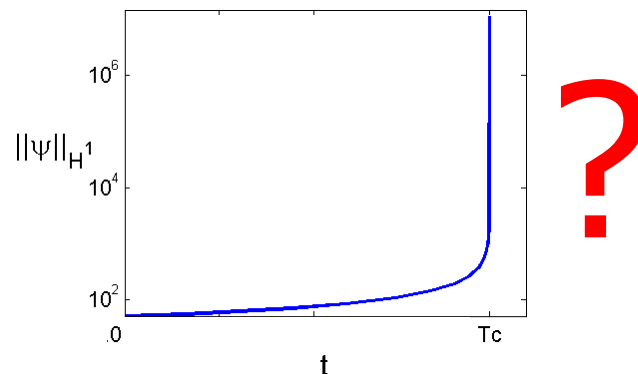
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# Beyond the singularity



- No singularities in nature
- Laser beam propagates past  $T_c$
- NLS is only an approximate model
- Common approach: Retain effects neglected in NLS model
  - Nonparaxiality, quintic nonlinearity, dispersion, ...
  - Many studies, mostly numerical
  - ...

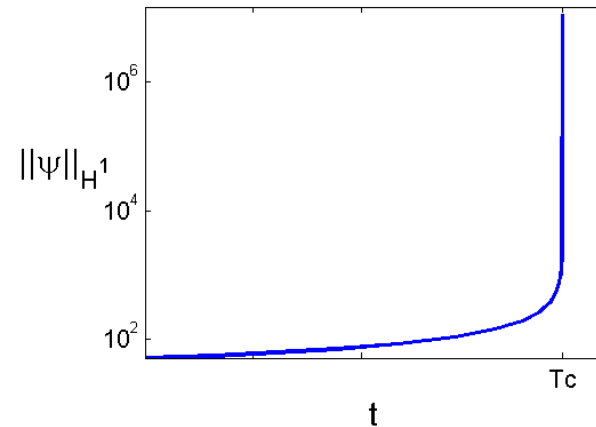
# Compare with hyperbolic conservation laws

- Solutions can become singular (shock waves)
- Singularity arrested in the presence of viscosity
- Huge literature on **continuation of the singular inviscid solutions**:
  - Riemann problem
  - Vanishing-viscosity solutions
  - Rankine-Hugoniot jump conditions
  - ...

**Goal – develop a “similar” theory for the NLS**



# Continuation of singular NLS solutions

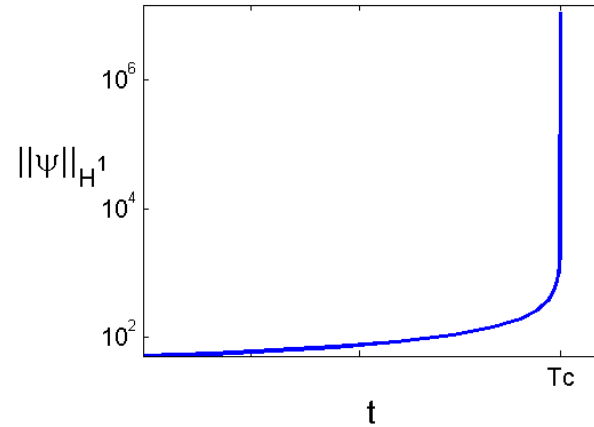


$$i\psi_t + \Delta\psi + |\psi|^2\psi = 0 \quad \text{NLS}$$

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$T_c$

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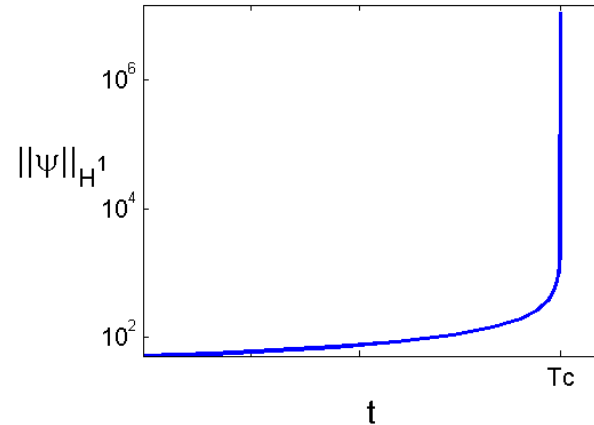
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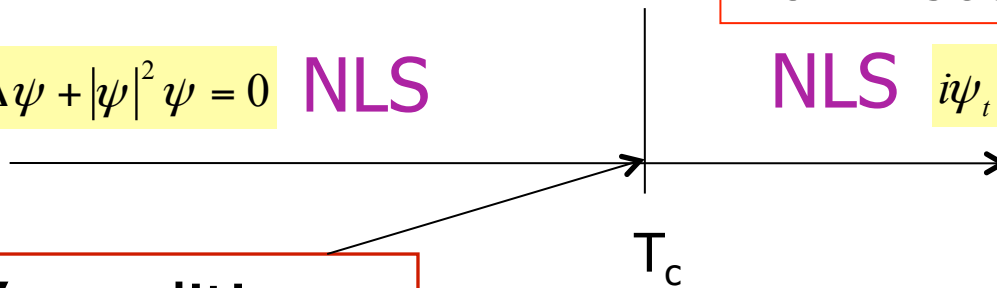
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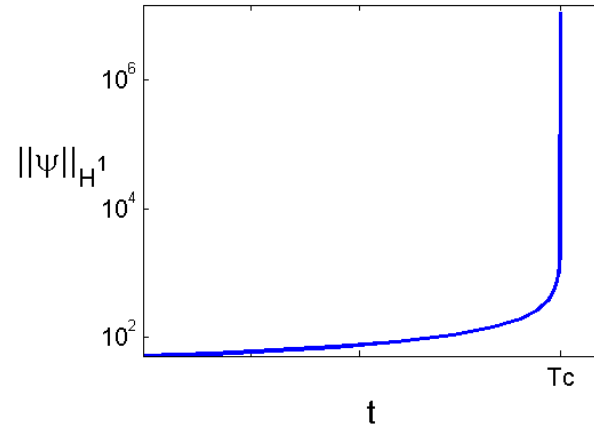
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- 2 key papers by Merle (1992)
- Less than 10 papers

# Talk plan

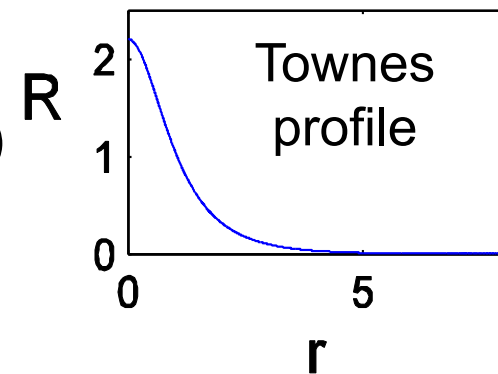
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# Ground state

- NLS admits **solitary waves**  $\psi = e^{it} R(r)$

$$\Delta R(r) - R + R^3 = 0, \quad r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

- Enumerable number of solutions
- Of most interest is the **ground state**:
  - Positive sol. with minimal power ( $L_2$  norm)



**Thm** (Weinstein, 83): A necessary condition for collapse is

$$\|\psi_0\|_2^2 \geq P_{\text{cr}}, \quad P_{\text{cr}} = \|R\|_2^2$$

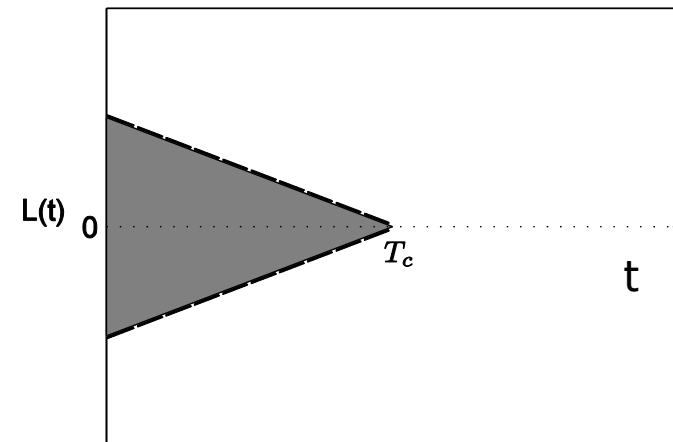
- $P_{\text{cr}}$  - critical **power**/ $L_2$ -norm for collapse

# Explicit blowup solutions

- Apply quasi-conformal (Talanov) transformation to  $\psi = e^{it}$

$$\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}(t,r) = \frac{1}{L(t)} R\left(\frac{r}{L(t)}\right) e^{i\tau(t) + i\frac{L(t)r^2}{4}}, \quad L(t) = \alpha(T_c - t), \quad \tau = \int_0^t L^{-2}$$

- Width  $L(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow T_c$
- $\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$  becomes singular at  $T_c$ 
  - Linear blowup rate



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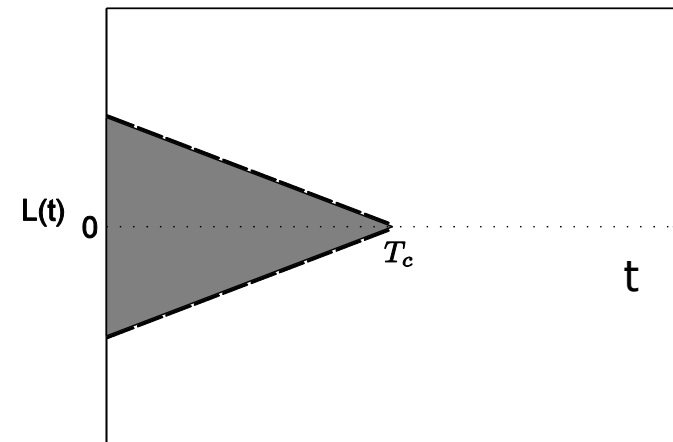
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$$\left\| \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}} \right\|_2^2 = \|R\|_2^2 = P_{\text{cr}}$$

- $\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$  is unstable, since any perturbation that reduces its power leads to global existence





# Explicit continuation of $\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$ (Merle, 92)

- Let  $\psi^\varepsilon$  be the NLS solution with the ic

$$\psi_0^\varepsilon(r) = (1 - \varepsilon)\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}(t = 0, r), \quad 0 < \varepsilon < 1$$

- $\|\psi_0^\varepsilon\|_2^2 = (1 - \varepsilon)^2 \|R\|_2^2 < P_{\text{cr}}$

- $\Psi^\varepsilon$  exists globally
- Merle computed the limit

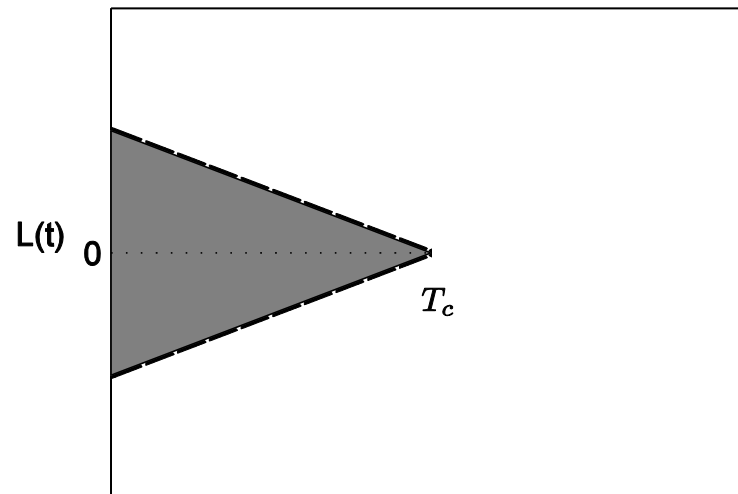
$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \psi^\varepsilon(t, r), \quad 0 \leq t < \infty$$

# Thm (Merle 92)

$$\psi^\varepsilon(t=0) = (1-\varepsilon)\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}(t=0)$$

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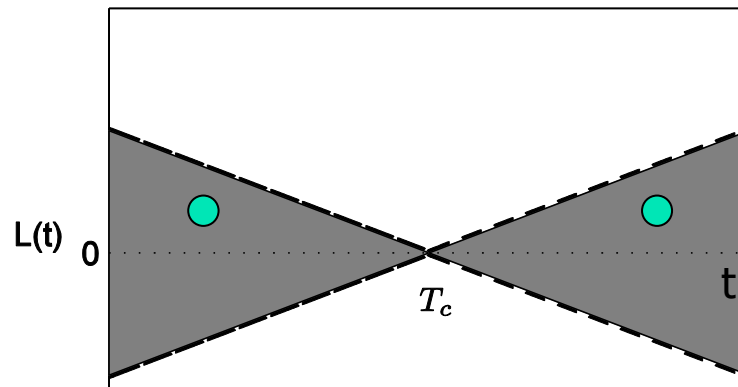
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- After singularity ( $t > T_c$ )

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left| \psi^\varepsilon(T_c + t, r) \right| = \left| \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}(T_c - t, r) \right|, \quad 0 < t$$



$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} L(t) = \alpha |T_c - t|, \quad 0 \leq t < \infty$$

Symmetry Property:  
Continuation symmetric  
with respect to  $T_c$

- “Jump condition”

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$$\lim_{\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0+} \psi^{\varepsilon_n}(T_c + t, r) = e^{i\theta} \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}*}(T_c - t, r), \quad \forall t > 0$$

- **Phase-loss Property:** Initial phase lost at/after the singularity

# Properties of Merle's continuation

1. **Symmetry**: Continuation symmetric with respect to  $T_c$
2. **Phase loss**: Initial phase is lost at/after the singularity

Are these properties universal?

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## Vanishing - ``viscosity'' continuations

- Add a small perturbation to the NLS
- Let  $\psi^\varepsilon$  be the solution of

$$i\psi_t^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}) + \Delta\psi^\varepsilon + |\psi^\varepsilon|^2 \psi^\varepsilon + \varepsilon F[\psi^\varepsilon] = 0$$

``viscosity''

- If  $\psi^\varepsilon$  exists globally for any  $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ , can define the vanishing-``viscosity'' continuation

$$\psi^{\text{continuation}}(t, \mathbf{x}) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \psi^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}), \quad 0 \leq t < \infty$$

## Vanishing - ``viscosity'' continuations

- But, **what is ``viscosity' for the NLS?**
- Should arrest collapse even when it is infinitesimally small
  - Cannot use linear damping (Fibich, 01)
- Plenty of other candidates:
  - Nonlinear saturation (Merle 92)
  - Nonparaxiality (Fibich, 96)
  - Dispersion
  - ...



# Nonlinear damping

- “Viscosity” = nonlinear damping (Fibich & Klein, 2011/2)
- Physical – multi-photon absorption
- Dissipative perturbation
  - Good, same as viscosity!

# Different continuation of $\psi_{R,\alpha}$ explicit

- 2D cubic NLS with cubic nonlinear damping



- Compute the limit  $\delta \rightarrow 0+$
- Vanishing nonlinear-damping continuation of  $\psi_{R,\alpha}$  explicit

# Proposition (Fibich & Klein, 2011)

$$\psi_0 = \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}(t=0)$$

- Before singularity ( $t < T_c$ )

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \psi^{(\delta)} = \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$$

- After singularity ( $t > T_c$ )

For any  $\theta$ , there exists a sequence  $\delta_n \rightarrow 0^+$  such that

$$\lim_{\delta_n \rightarrow 0^+} \psi^{(\delta)}(T_c + t, r) = e^{i\theta} \psi_{R,\kappa\alpha}^{*\text{explicit}}(T_c - t, r), \quad \kappa \approx 1.614$$

- $\kappa = \frac{\text{Ai}(0)}{\text{Ai}(s_0)}$ ,  $s_0 \approx -2.7$  is the first negative root of  $\sqrt{3}\text{Ai}(s) = \text{Bi}(s)$
- Asymptotic calculations (rigorous proof still needed)

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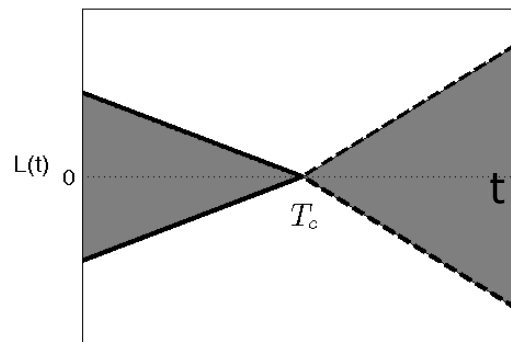
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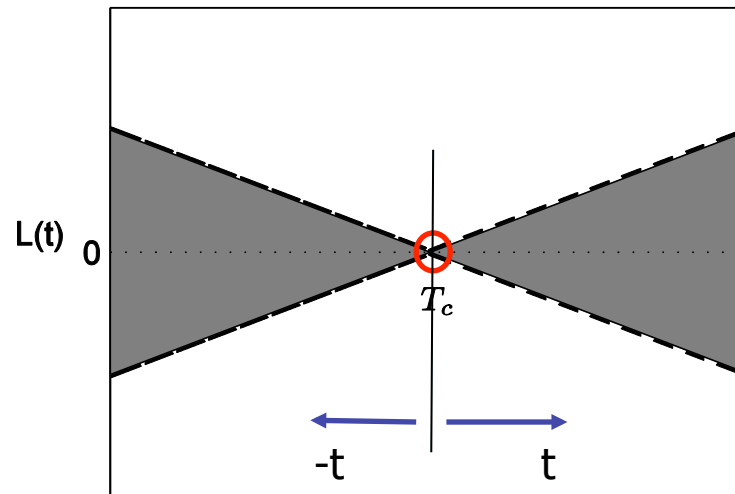
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- Continuation **asymmetric** with respect to  $T_c$

# Symmetry or asymmetry?

- NLS is invariant under time reversal  $t \rightarrow -t$  and  $\psi \rightarrow \psi^*$



- Hence, Merle's continuation is symmetric with respect to  $T_c$
- Nonlinear damping breaks reversibility in time
  - Hence, our continuation is asymmetric
- Symmetry property not universal

# Phase-loss Property - Motivation

- Before singularity ( $t < T_c$ )

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \psi^{(\varepsilon)} = \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$$

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \psi^{(\delta)} = \psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow T_c} \arg\left(\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}\right) = \infty$$

- For  $t > T_c$ , phase is “beyond infinity”
- Holds for **any** continuation
- Loss of phase property is universal

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# Sub threshold-power continuation (Fibich & Klein, 2011)

- Let  $f(\mathbf{x}) \in H^1$ ,  $f \neq R$
- Let  $\psi^c$  be the NLS solution with  $\psi \downarrow 0 \uparrow c = c f(\mathbf{x})$
- Let  $c_{th} = \min\{c \mid \psi^c \text{ blows up}\}$
- $\psi(t, \mathbf{x}; c_{th})$  is “minimal-power” blowup solution
  
- Let  $\psi^\epsilon$  be the NLS solution with  $\psi \downarrow 0 \uparrow \epsilon = (1 - \epsilon)c_{th} f(\mathbf{x})$
- By construction, no collapse for  $0 < \epsilon \ll 1$
- Compute the limit of  $\psi^\epsilon$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0+$ 
  - Continuation of the “minimal-power” blowup solution  $\psi(t, \mathbf{x}; c_{th})$
  - Generalization of Merle’s continuation of  $\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$
  - Asymptotic calculation (non-rigorous)

# Proposition (Fibich and Klein, 2011)

$$\psi_0^\varepsilon = (1-\varepsilon)K_{\text{th}} f(\mathbf{x})$$

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## Conclusion:

Bourgain-Wang solutions are “generic”, in the sense that they are the **minimal-power blowup solutions** of  $\psi_0 = c f(\mathbf{x})$

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$$\lim_{\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0+} \psi^{\varepsilon_n}(T_c + t, r) = e^{i\theta} \psi_{\text{B-W}}^*(T_c - t, r), \quad 0 < t \leq 1$$

- Continuation of B-W solution is the “same” B-W solution
- Phase information is lost at the singularity

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow T_c-} \arg(\psi_{\text{B-W}}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow T_c-} \arg(\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}) = \infty$$

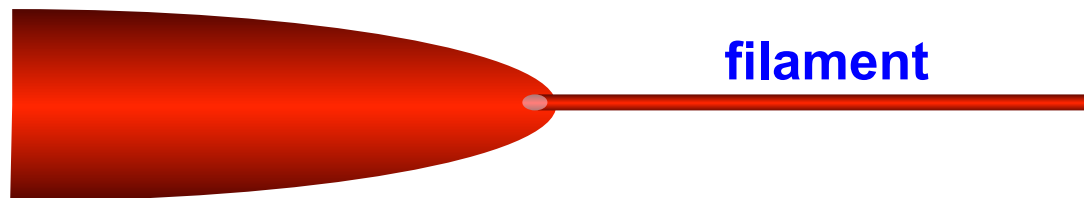
- Related result by Merle, Raphael, Szeftel (2014)

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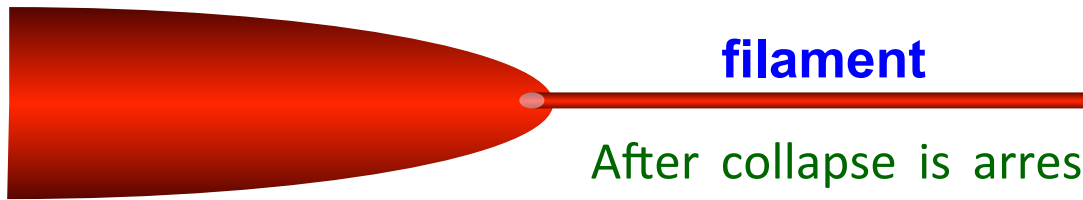
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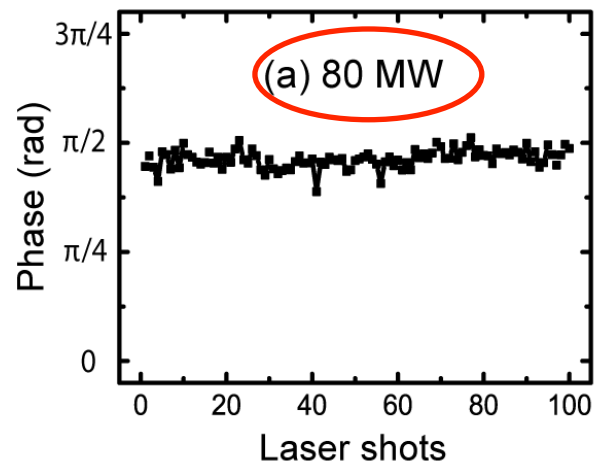
Input beam  
varies from  
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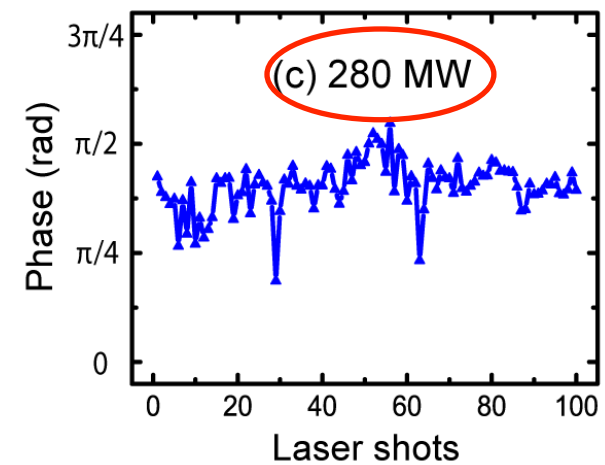
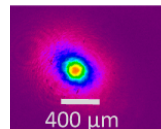
After collapse is arrested,  
phase is "almost lost"

# Experiments (Shim et al., 2012)

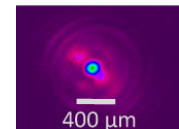
- Phase of laser beam after propagation of 24cm in water
  - “Correct” physical continuation is not known



signal beam



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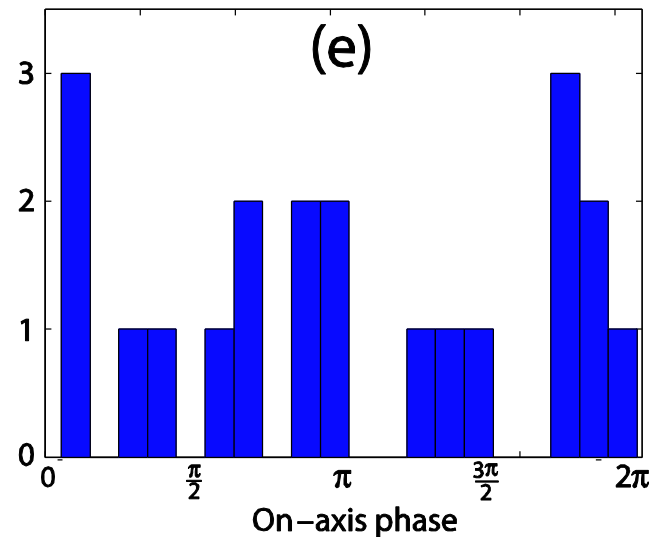


- Post-collapse loss-of-phase observed **experimentally**



# Simulations of propagation in water

- NLS with dispersion, space-time focusing, multiphoton absorption, plasma, ...
- Input power randomly chosen between 240 -260 MW
- Compute on-axis phase after propagation of 24cm



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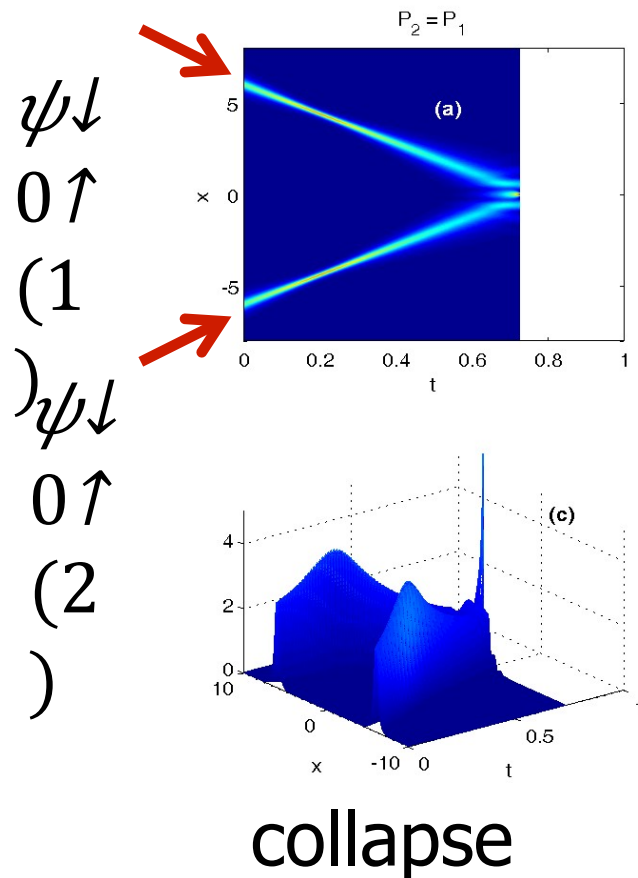
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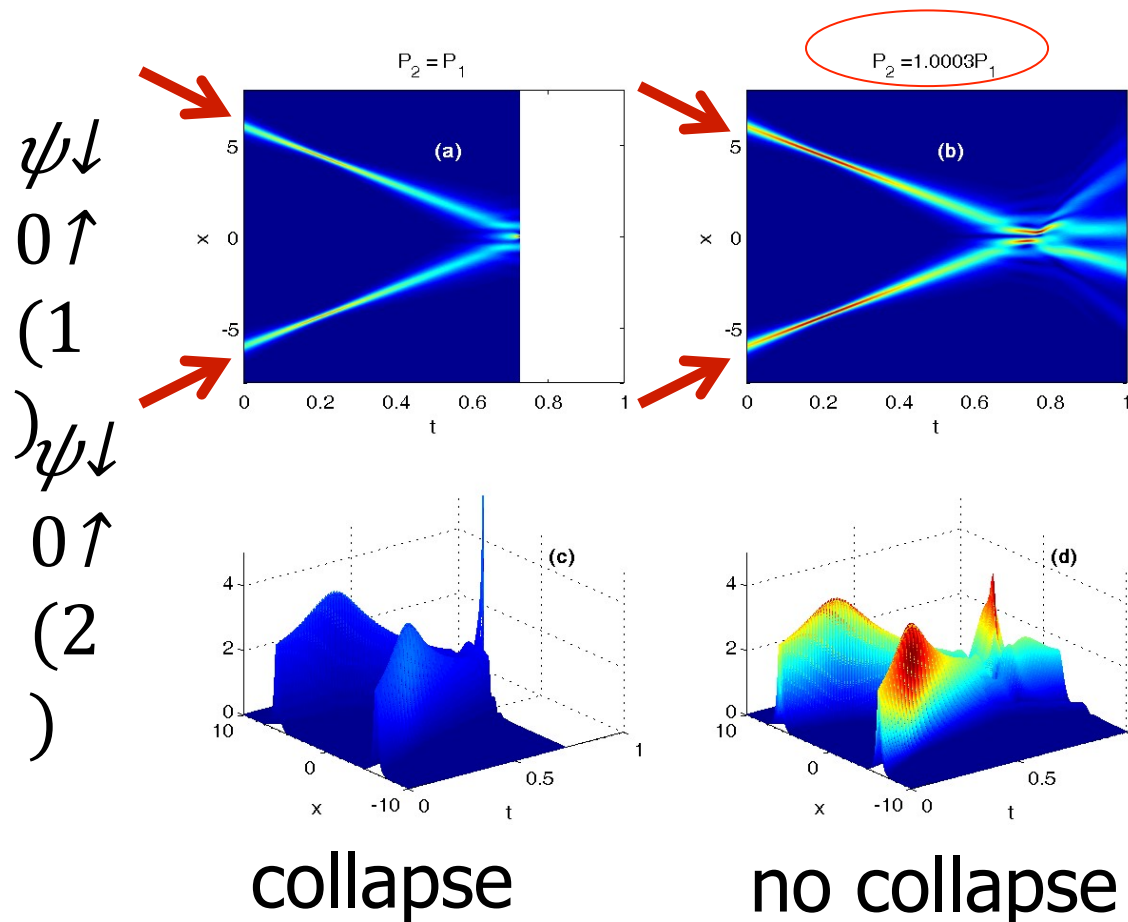
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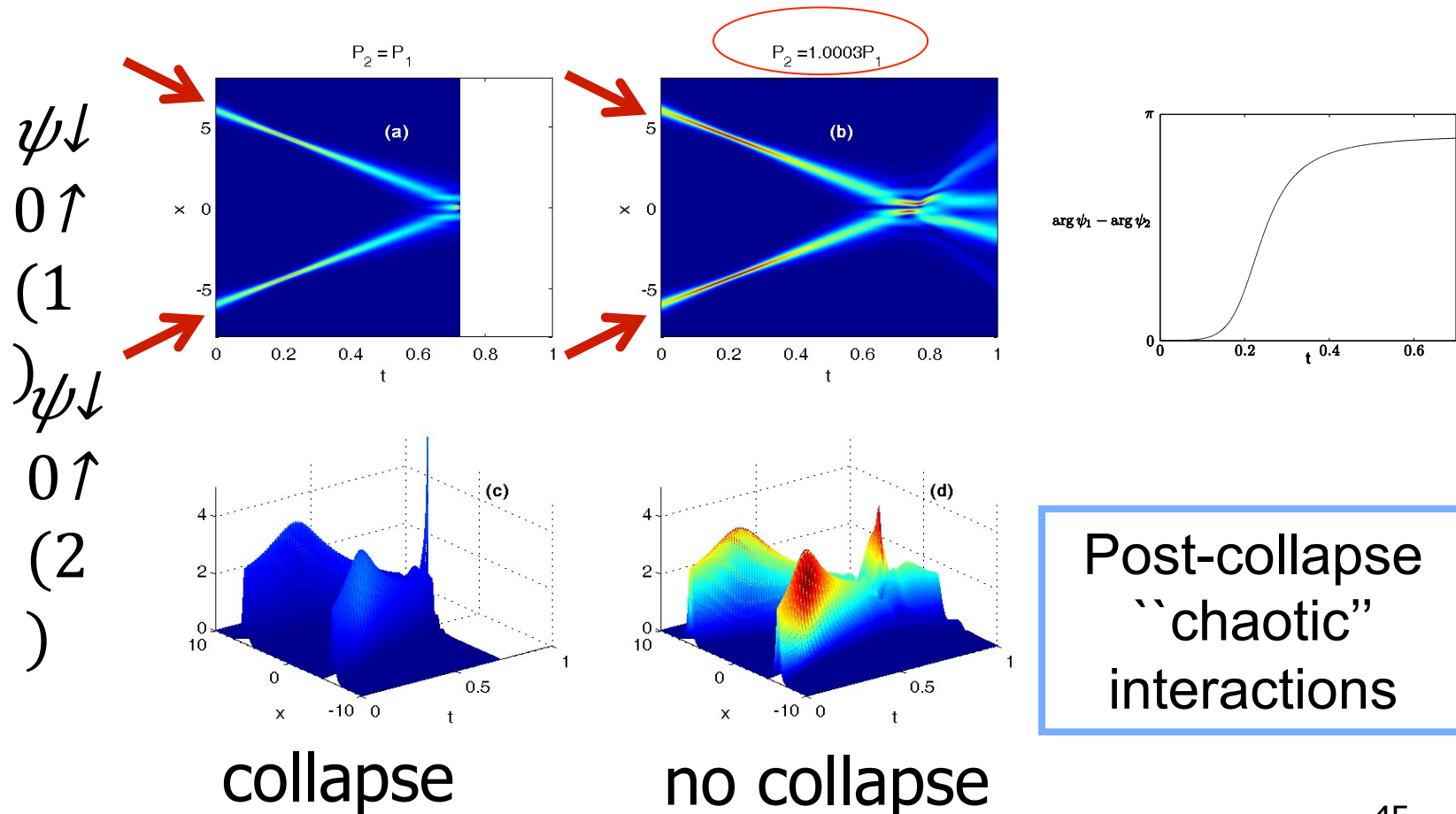
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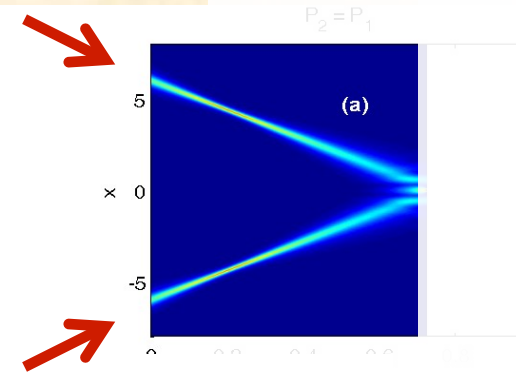
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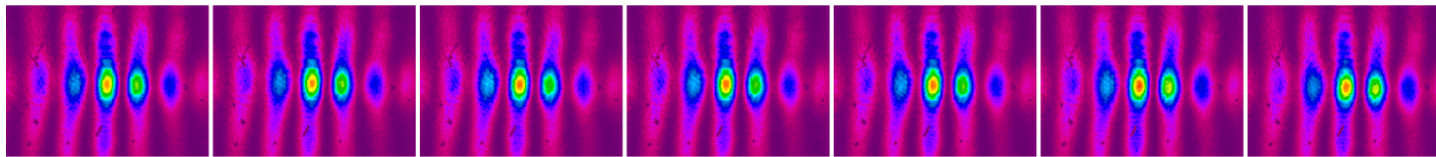


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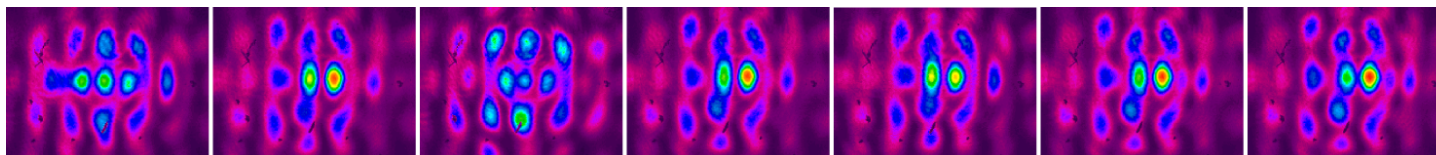
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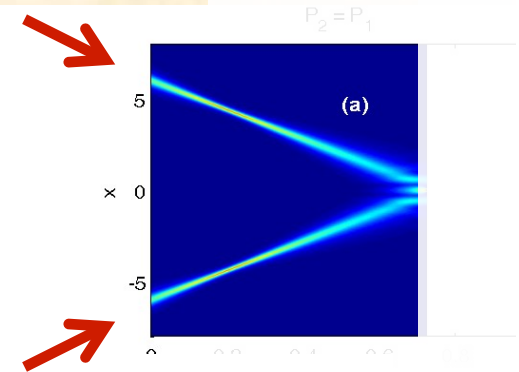


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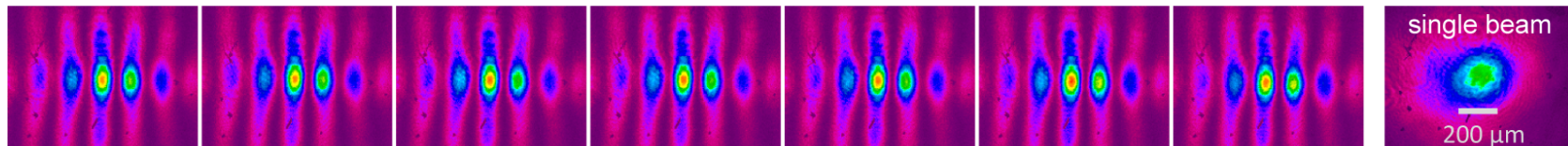


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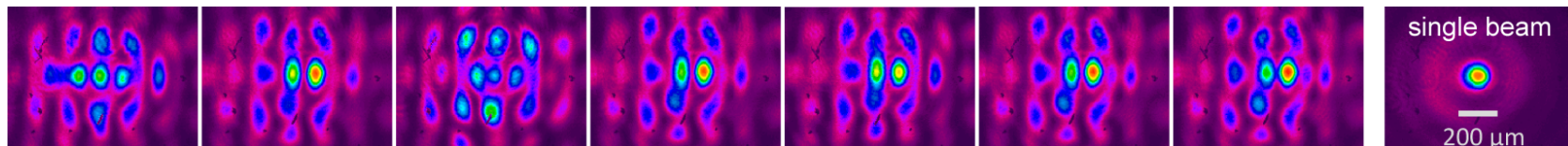
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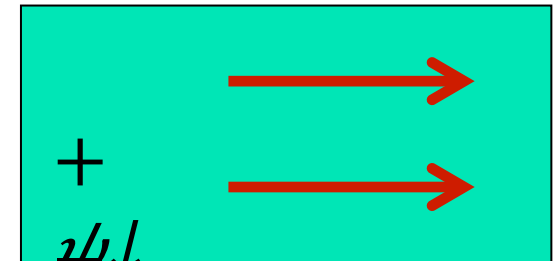
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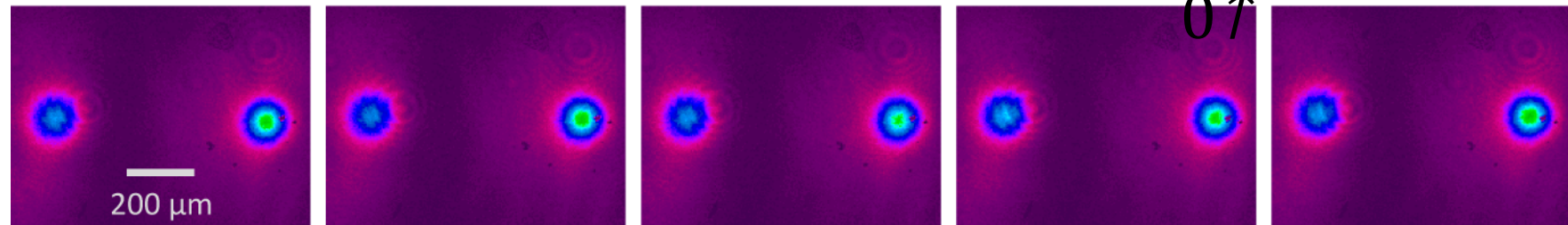


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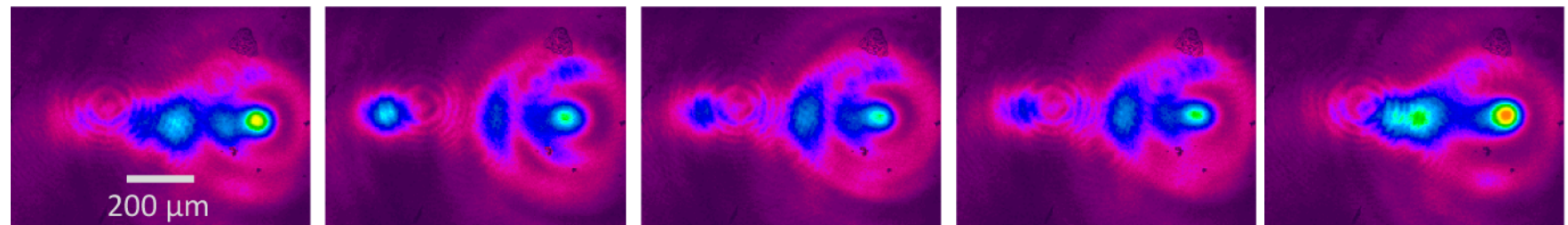
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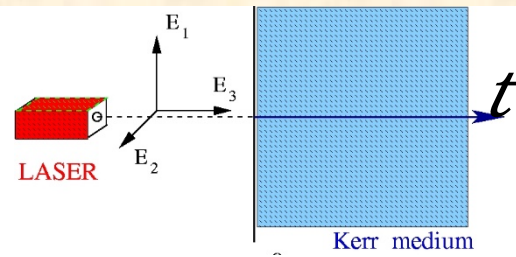
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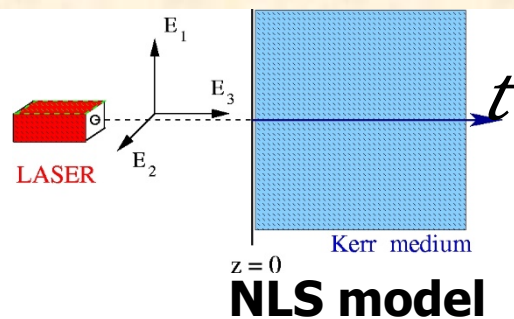
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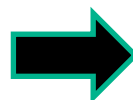
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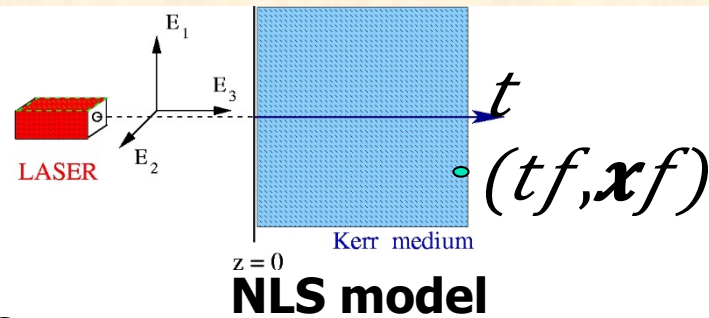


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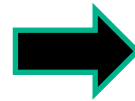
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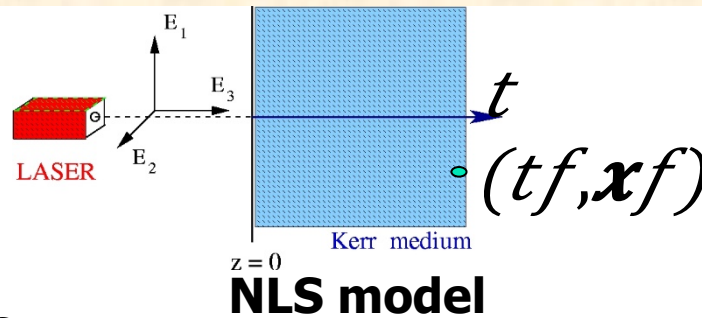
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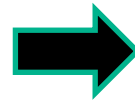


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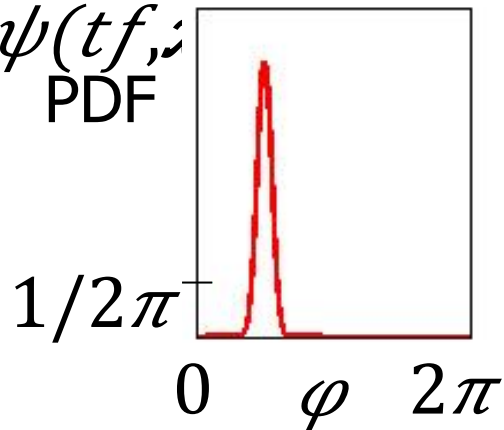
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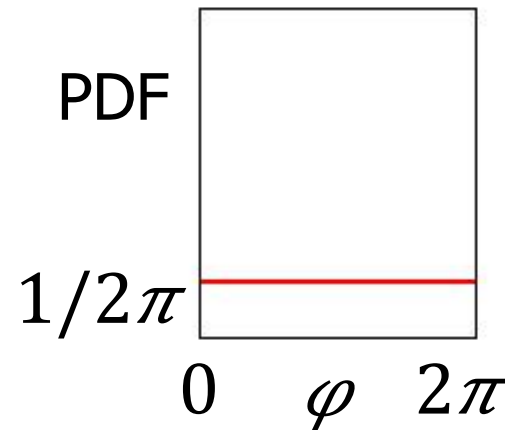
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localized  
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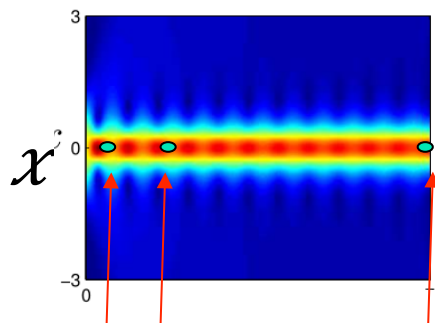
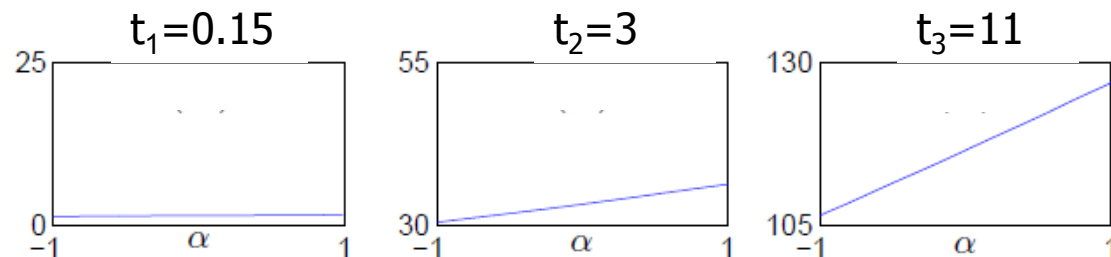
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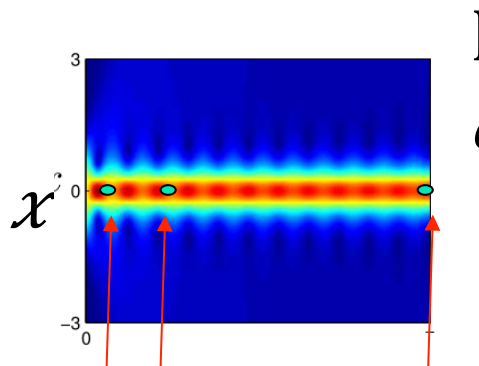
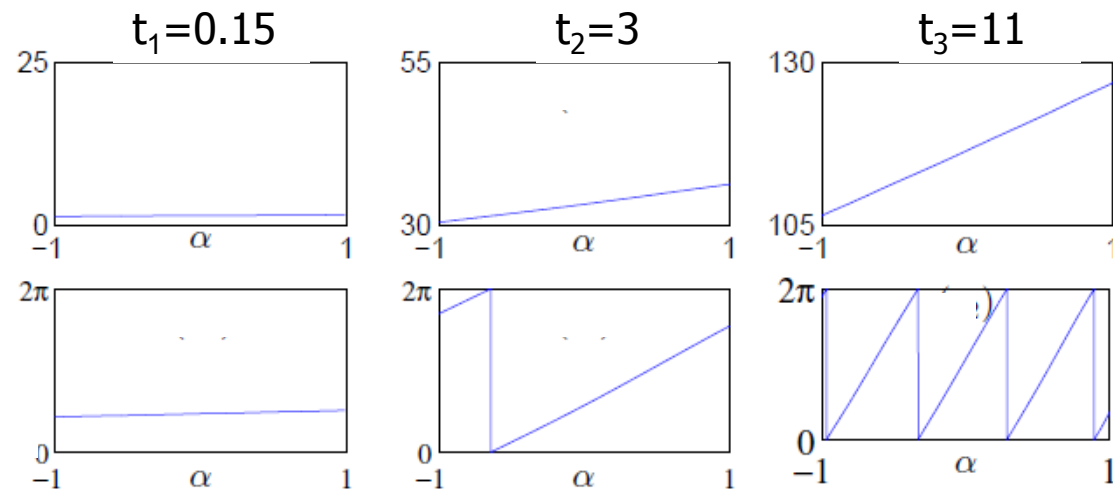
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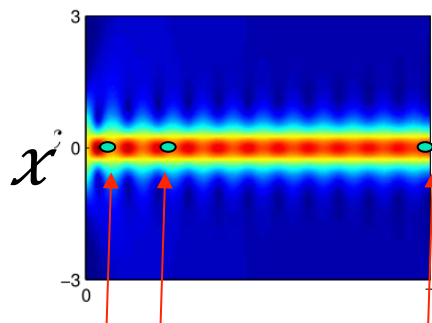
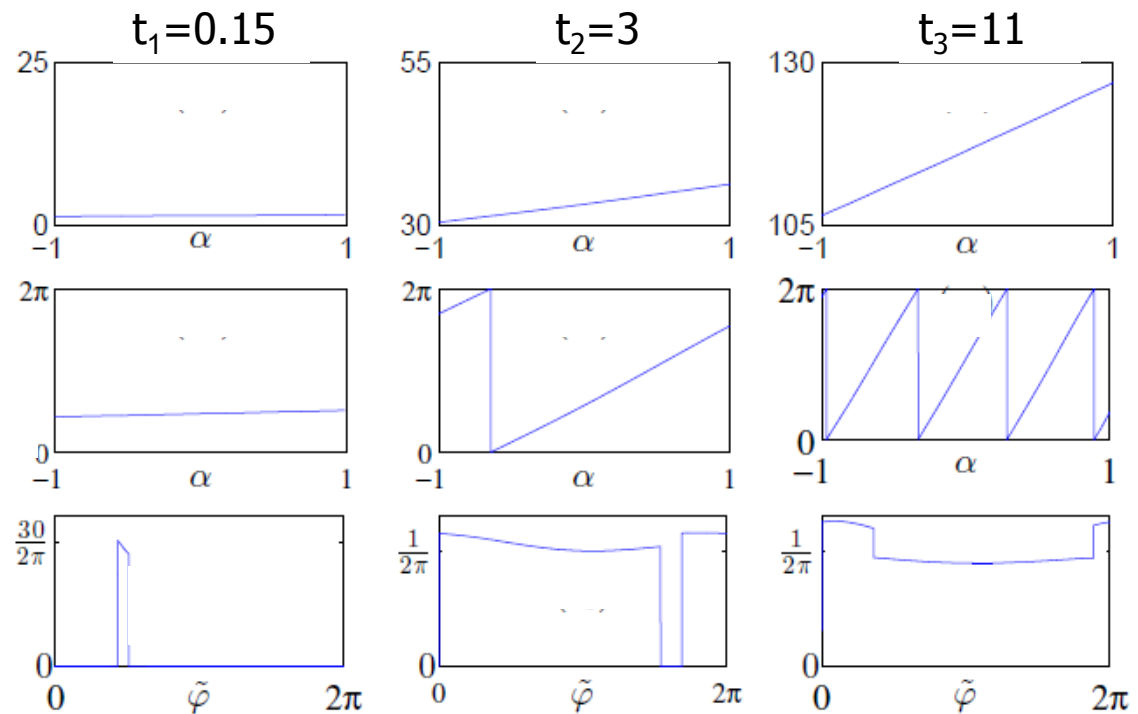
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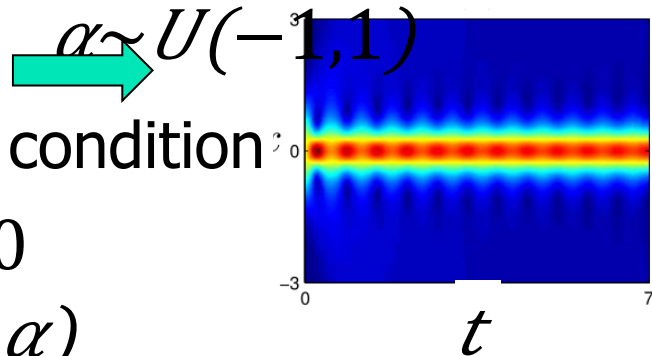
# Numerical observations

- Phase loss builds up gradually with time/distance
- No collapse necessary
- Same for 2D NLS, other nonlinearities, other noises, ...
- Theoretical explanation?

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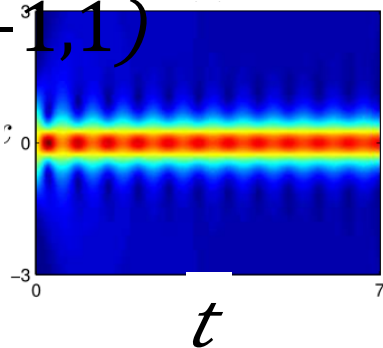
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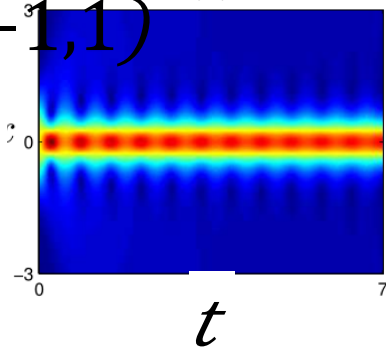
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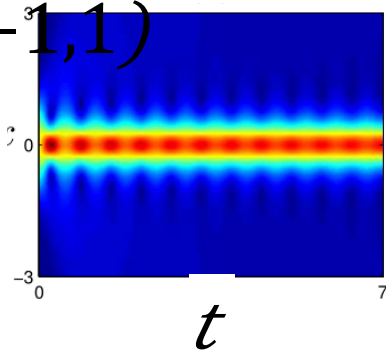
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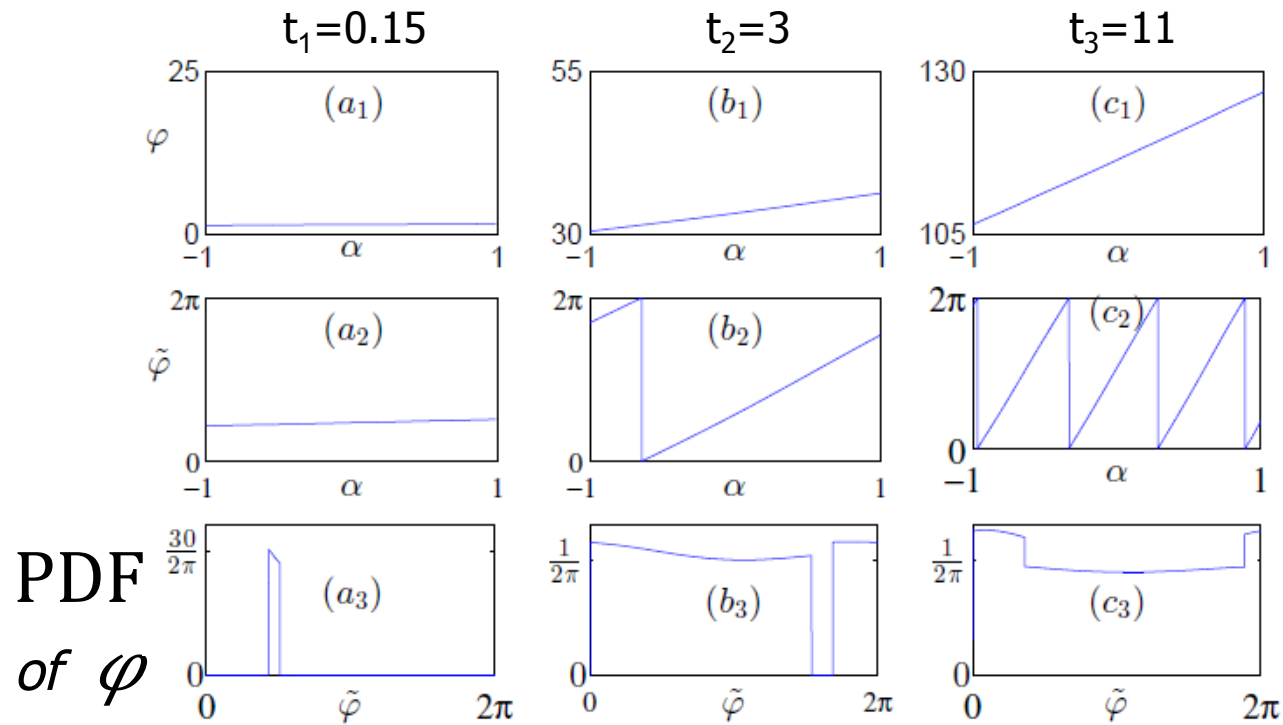
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Let  $\varphi(t;\alpha) \approx t\kappa(\alpha)$ , where  $\kappa(\alpha) \in C^1$  is piece-wise monotonic and  $\alpha$  is a random variable with an absolutely continuous distribution. Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(t;\alpha) \bmod(2\pi) \sim U(0, 2\pi)$$

# Proof idea



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- Phase loss occurs whenever
  - $\psi \downarrow 0$  is noisy
  - Evolves into a solitary wave
  - Propagates sufficiently long time/distance
- Generic phenomena
  - Any NLS that supports solitary waves
  - Any noise
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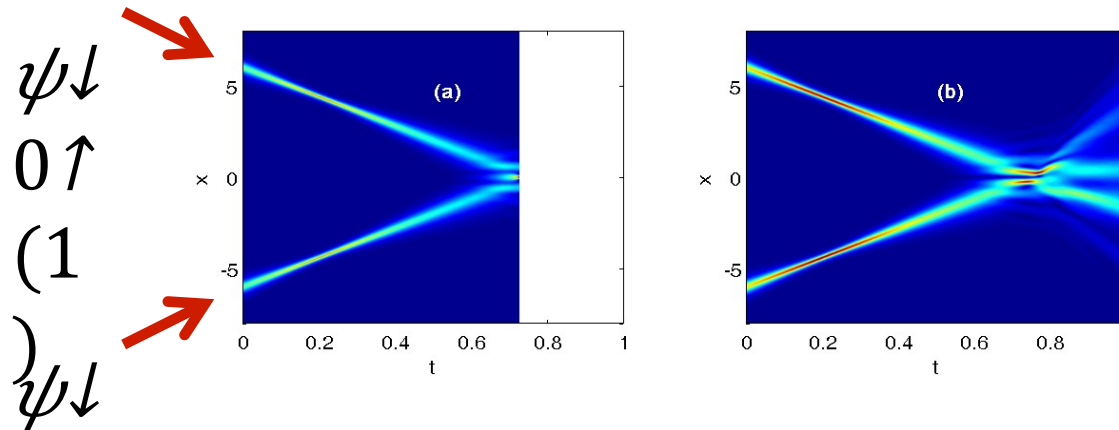
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# Stochastic interactions



- Interactions predominantly determined by relative phase at intersection
- **Loss of Phase Lemma**  $\rightarrow$  relative phase  $\sim U(0, 2\pi)$
- **Interactions statistics becomes universal** (independent of noise source)
- Can compute using the **universal model**

$$\psi \downarrow 0 = \psi \downarrow 0 \uparrow (1) + e^{i\alpha}$$

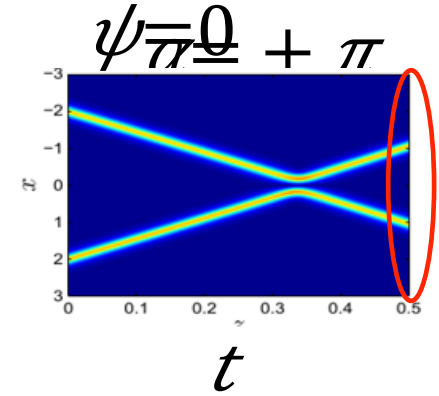
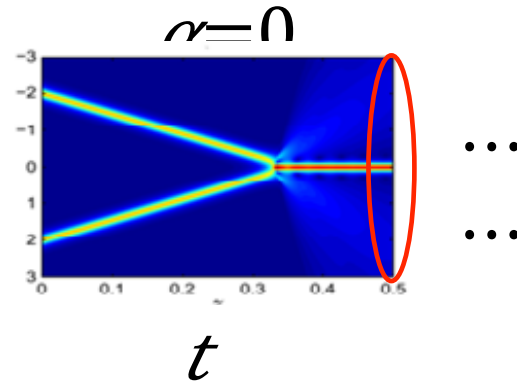
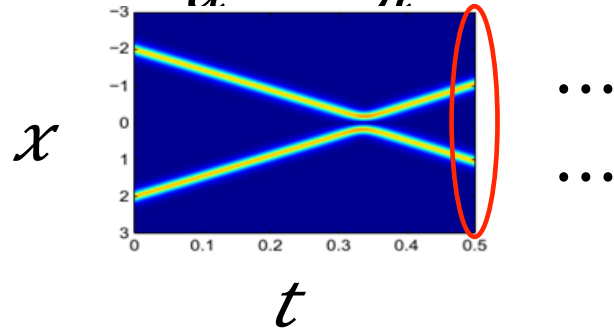
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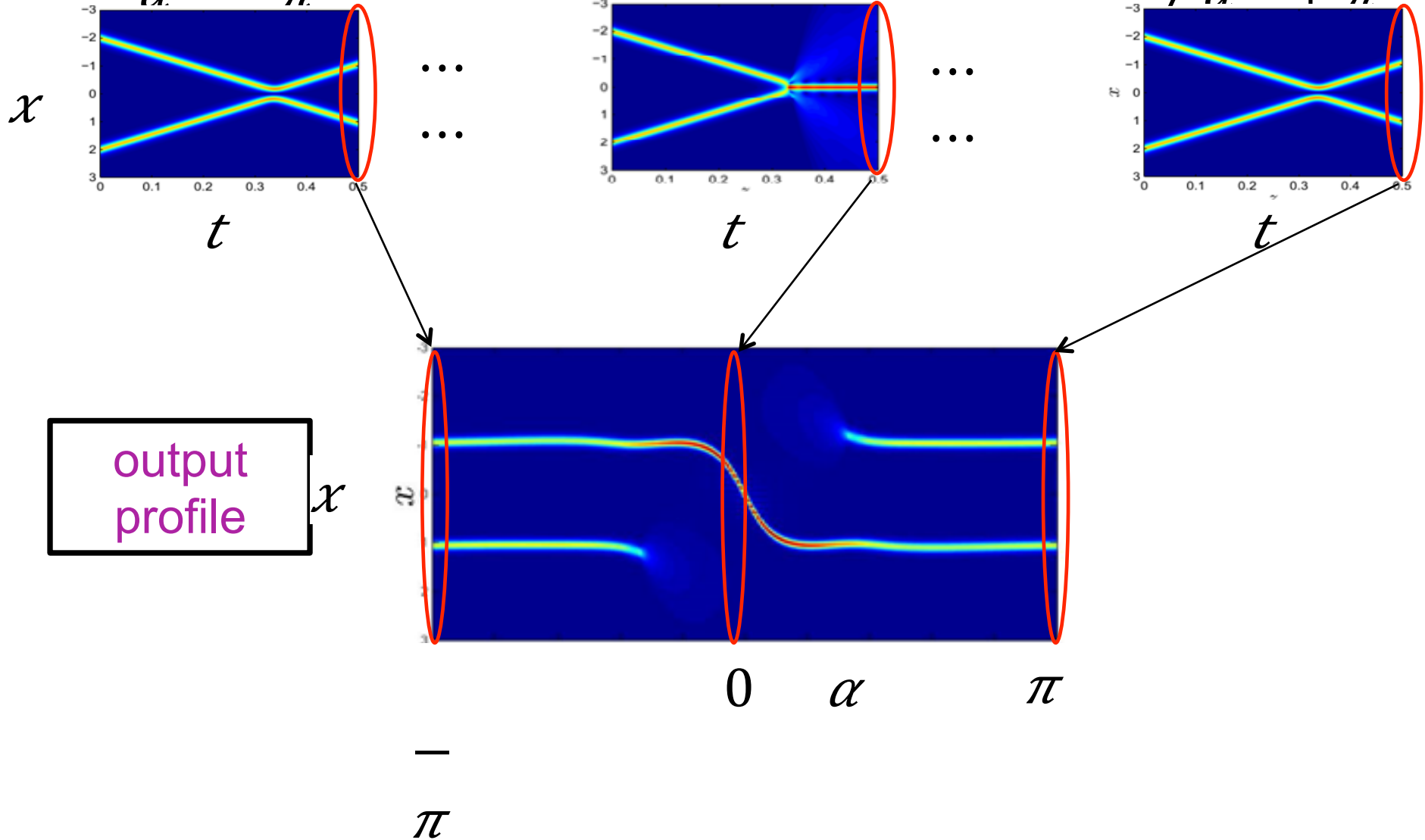


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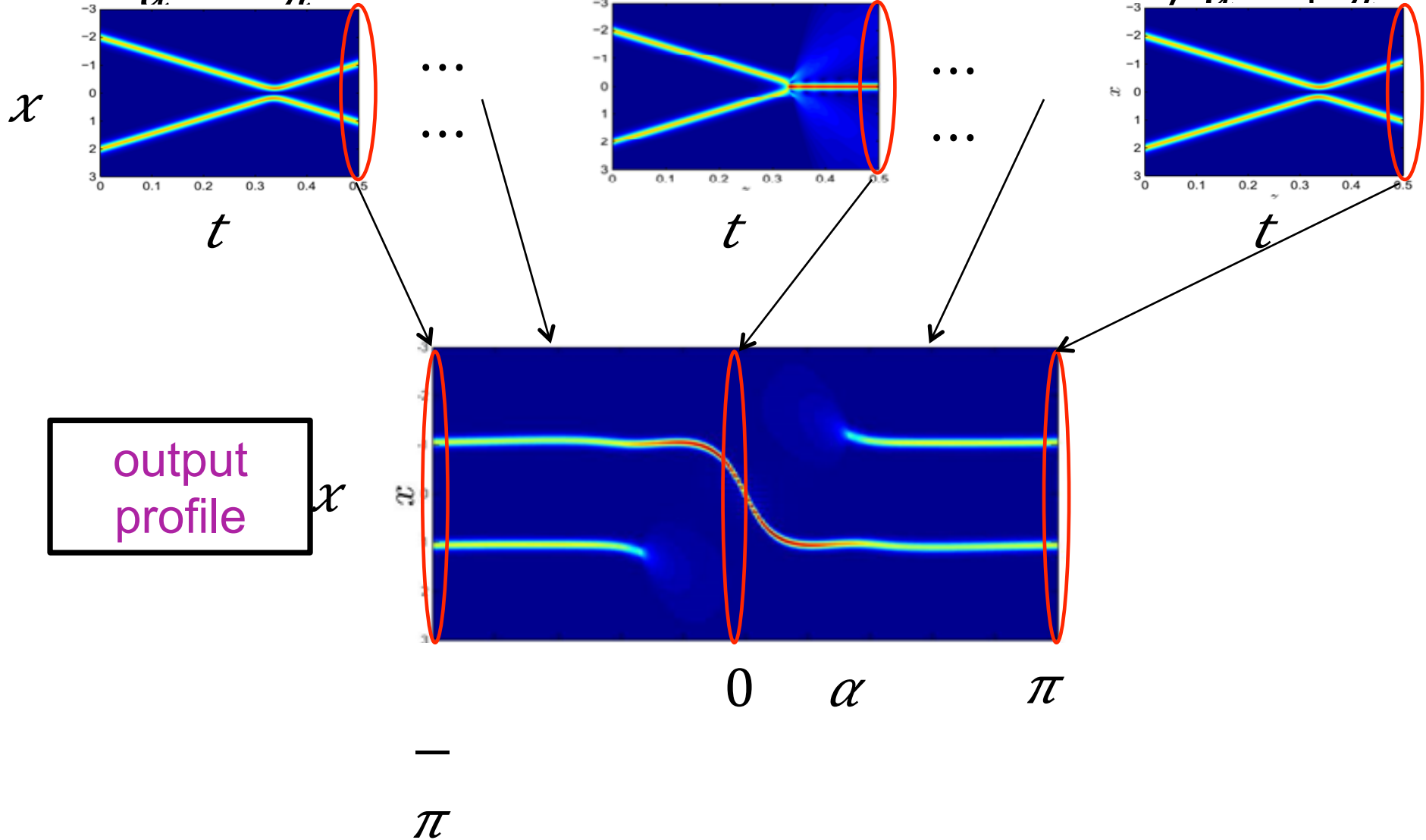


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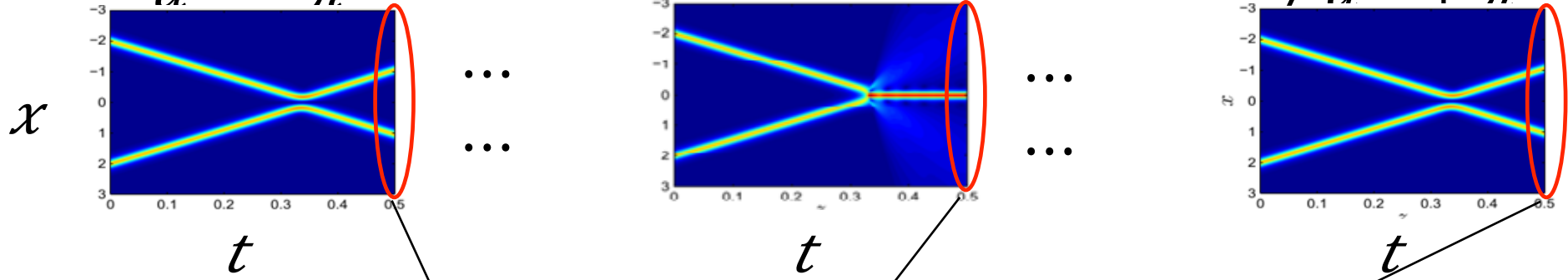


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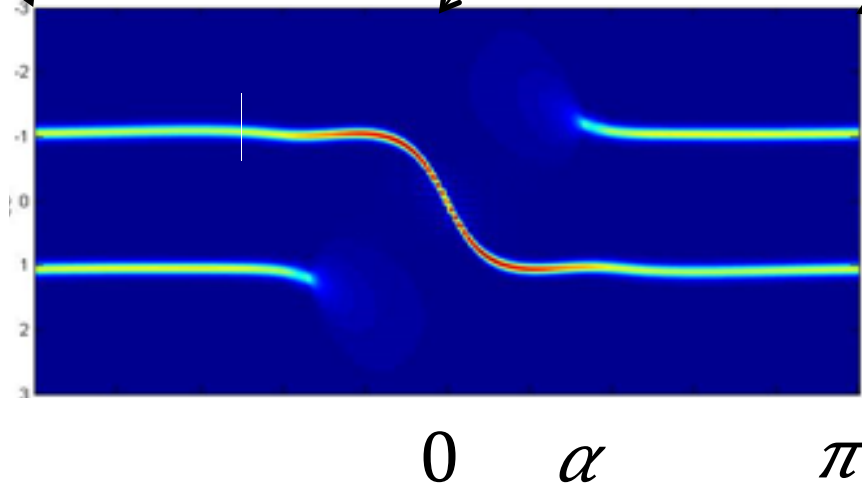
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output profile



can compute statistics of interactions

# NLS with 4 noise models

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## 1. Perturbed profile

$$\psi|_0 = R\kappa^{-1/2} (x+d)e^{i\theta x} +$$

## 2. Perturbed profile, out of phase

$$\psi|_0 = R\kappa^{-1/2} (x+d)e^{i\theta x} -$$

## 3. Perturbed amplitude

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## 4. Uniformly distributed random phase (universal model)

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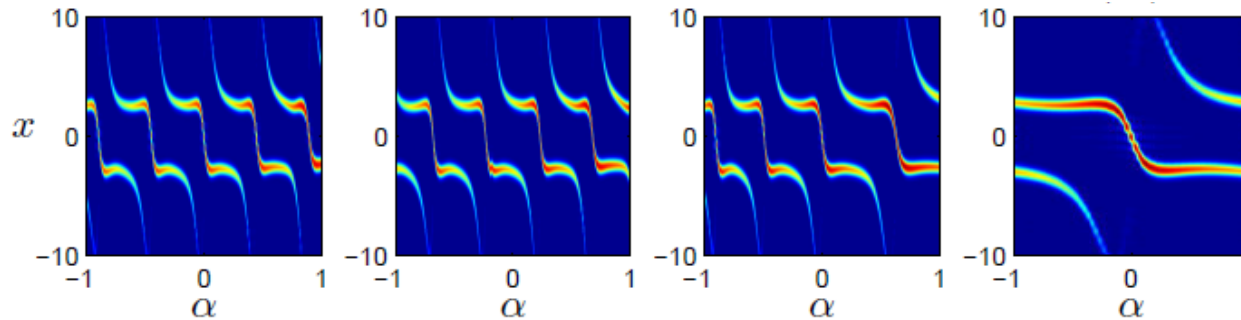


# Universality of stochastic interactions

4 noise models

universal  
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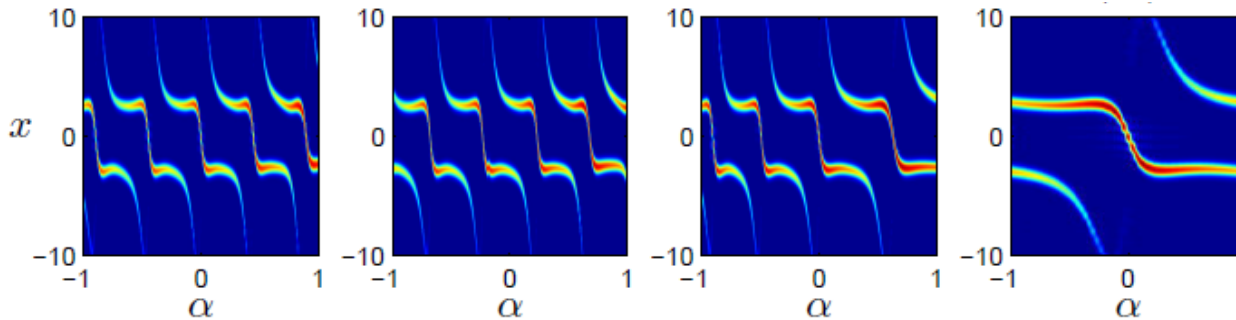


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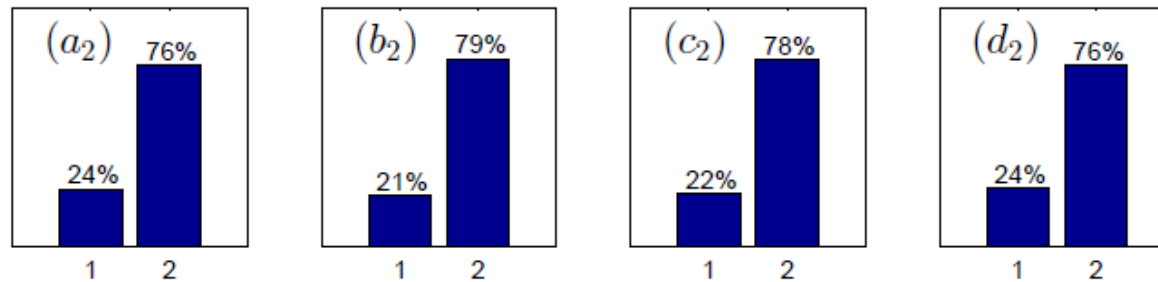
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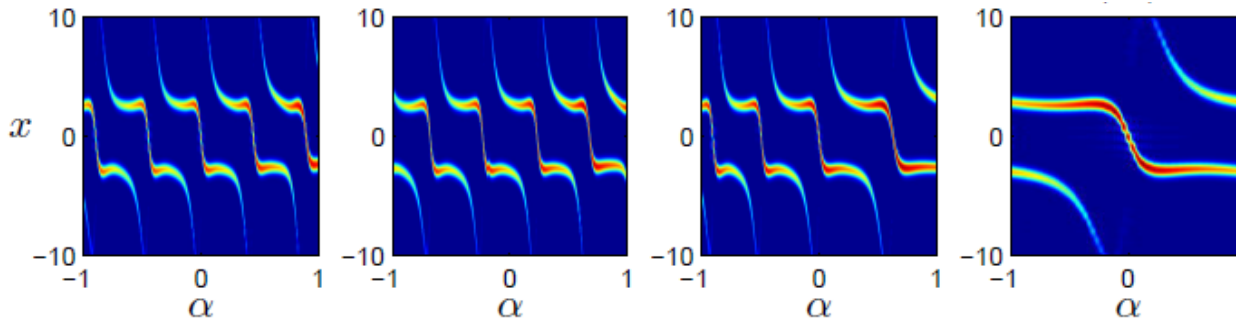
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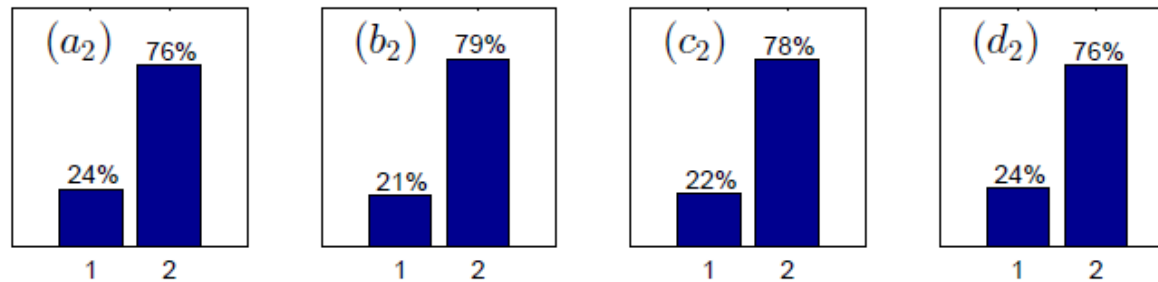
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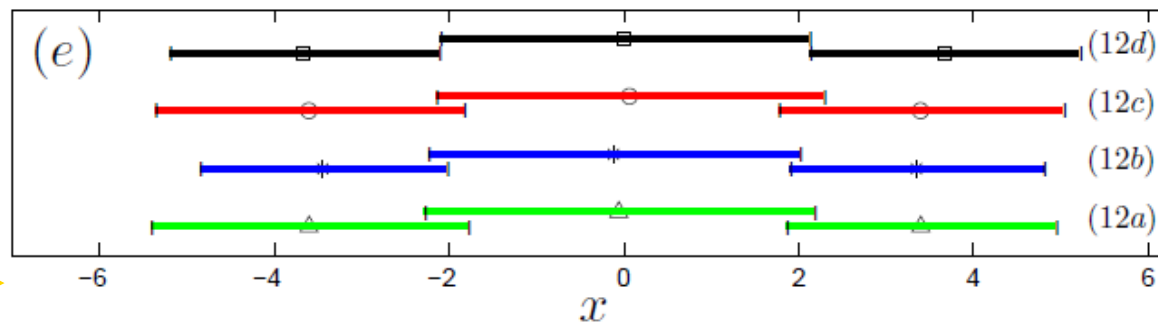


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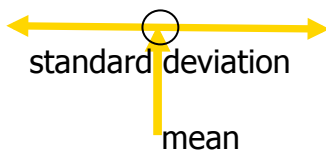


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Transverse location of output beams



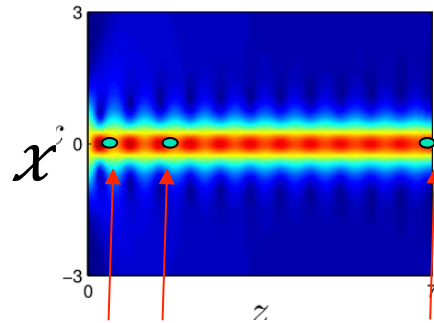
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# Talk plan

1. Review
2. Nonlinear damping continuation
3. Sub threshold power continuation
4. Loss of phase
5. Universality of stochastic interactions
6. Numerical methods

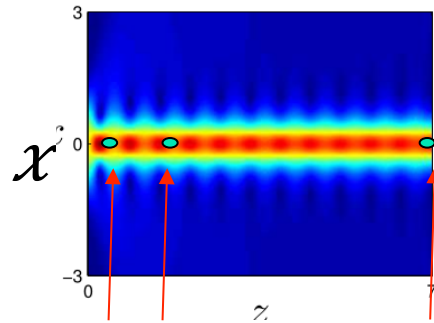
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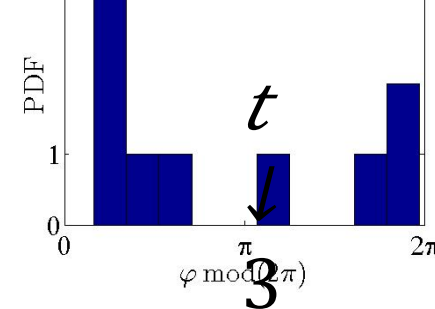
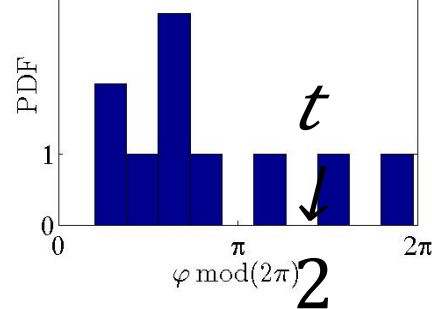
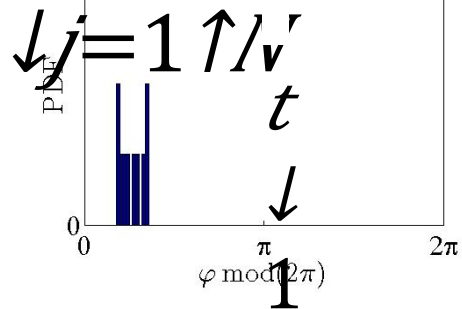
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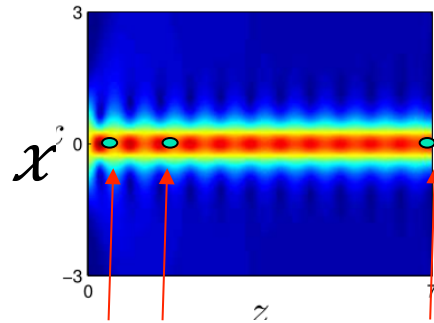
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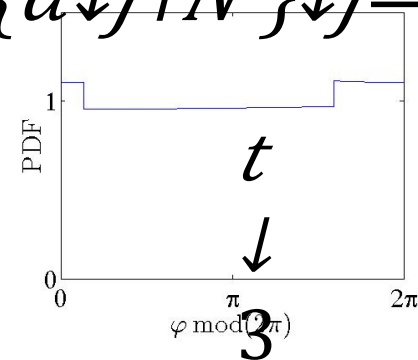
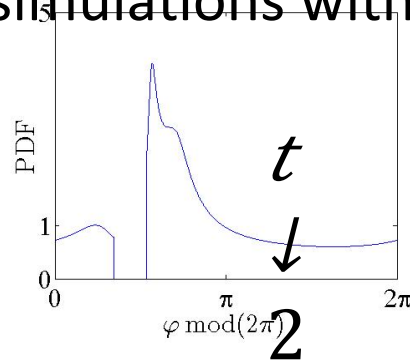
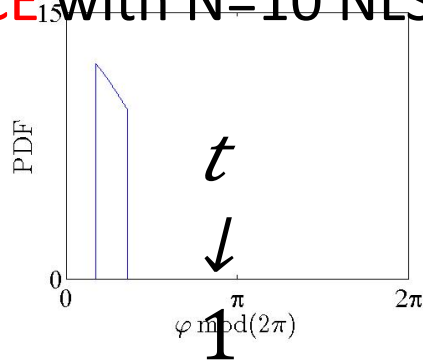


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- $N=10$  simulations sufficient to determine distribution
- PCE has spectral accuracy

# Polynomial Chaos Expansion (PCE)

**Step 1** Obtain Gauss-Legendre quadrature formula  $\{ \alpha_j, w_j \}_{j=1}^N$ ,

**Step 2** Solve the NLS at the N quadrature points, i.e., compute

$$\{ \psi(t, x; \alpha_j) \}_{j=1}^N$$

**Step 3** Approximate  $\psi(t, x; \alpha)$  with

$$\psi(t, x; \alpha) \approx \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \psi(t, x; \alpha_n) P_n(\alpha)$$

where  $P_n$  are Legendre polynomials, and

$$\psi(t, x; \alpha_n) = \sum_{j=1}^N w_j \psi(t, x; \alpha_j) p_n(\alpha_j), \quad n=0, 1, \dots, N-1$$



# Summary

- Vanishing nonlinear-damping continuation
  - Vanishing-viscosity approach
  - Viscosity = nonlinear damping
  - Explicit continuation of  $\psi_{R,\alpha}^{\text{explicit}}$
  - Asymmetric w.r.t.  $T_c$
  - Rigorous pf needed
- Sub threshold-power continuation
  - “Minimal-power” blowup solution  $\psi(t, \mathbf{x}; K_{\text{th}})$  is B-W sol
  - B-W solutions are generic
  - Continuation of B-W solution is “same” B-W solution

# Summary

- Loss of phase
  - At blowup
  - Also without blowup
    - $\psi \downarrow 0$  is noisy
    - Evolves into a solitary wave
    - Propagates sufficiently long time/distance
  - $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(t; \alpha) \bmod(2\pi) \sim U(0, 2\pi)$
- Stochastic interactions
  - Cannot make deterministic predictions
  - Can make stochastic predictions using **universal model**

# Summary

- Numerical method
  - Monte-Carlo is inefficient
  - Can use Polynomial Chaos Expansion (PCE)

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