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Approach to Equilibrium for  
Lattice Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation NLS

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joint work

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- interacting bosons on  $\mathbb{Z}$       cold atoms  
 $\rightarrow$  classical field theory

$$H = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} |4_{j+1} - 4_j|^2 + \frac{1}{2} g |4_j|^4 \right\} \quad g > 0$$

defocusing

$\rightsquigarrow$

$$\left| i \partial_t 4_j = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta 4_j + g |4_j|^2 4_j \right|, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad 4_j \in \mathbb{C}$$

continuum NLS      dynamics is integrable  
different !

- finite temperature, approach to equilibrium

- conserved fields

$$\rho_j = |q_j|^2 \quad \sum_j \rho_j = N$$

$$e_j = \frac{1}{2} |q_{j+1} - q_j|^2 + \frac{1}{2} g |q_j|^4$$

- for local observables no other

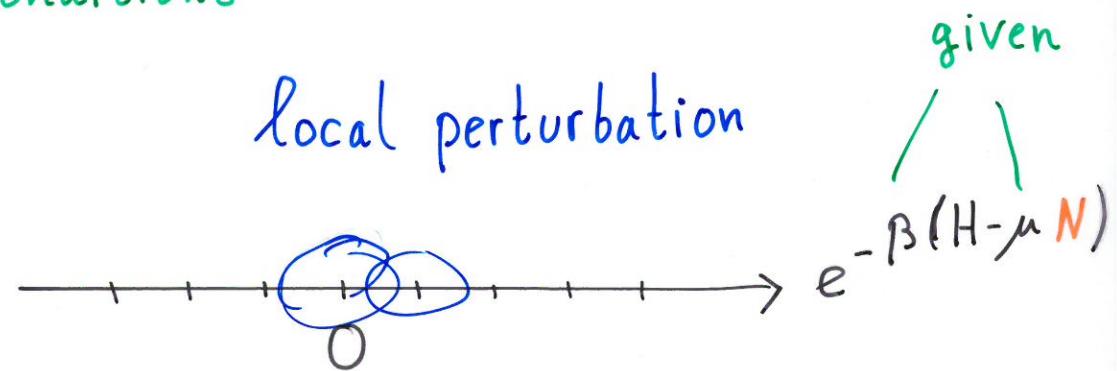
limit  $t \rightarrow \infty$  :

$$\frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta(H - \mu N)} \prod_j d\mathbf{q}_j d\mathbf{q}_j^*$$

initial conditions

HERE

late stage  
return to equilibrium

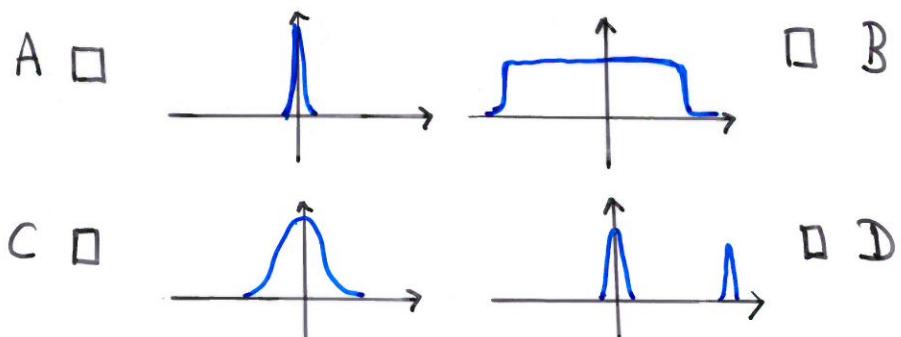
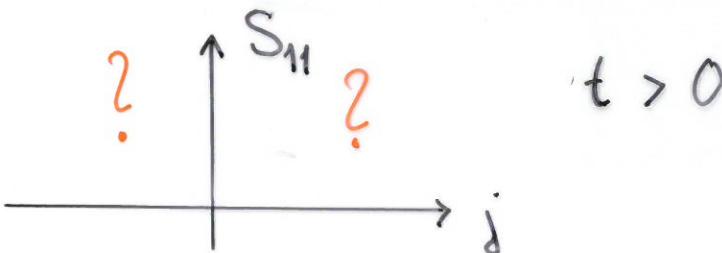
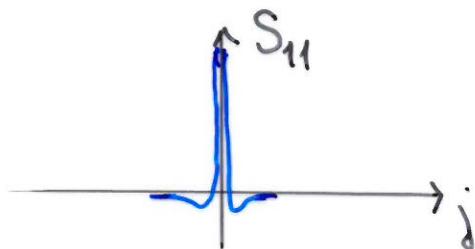


problem:

response  
perturbation

$$\langle |\psi_j(t)|^2 |\psi_0(0)|^2 \rangle - \langle |\psi_0(0)|^2 \rangle^2 = S_{11}(j, t)$$

$t=0$



MD simulations

size  $N = 4096$ , periodic b.c.,  $t_{\max} = 1024$

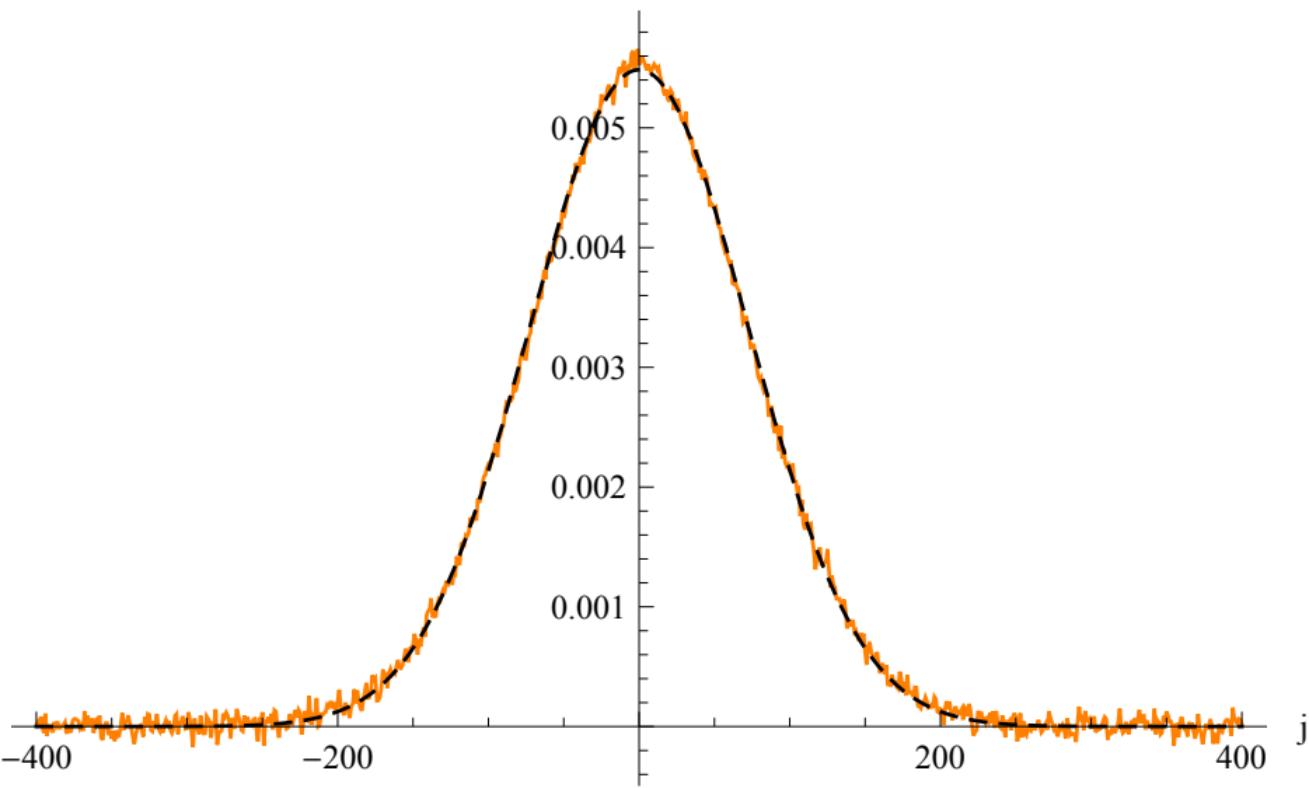
- $\beta = 1, \mu = 1$
- $\beta = 20, \mu = 1$

nonintegrable NLS, N=4096, m=1, g=1,  $\beta=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ , runs= $4 \times 10^4$ ,

$\lambda=5.16533$ ,  $t=1024$ ,

black dashed:  $(\lambda t)^{-1/2} f_G((\lambda t)^{-1/2} x)$

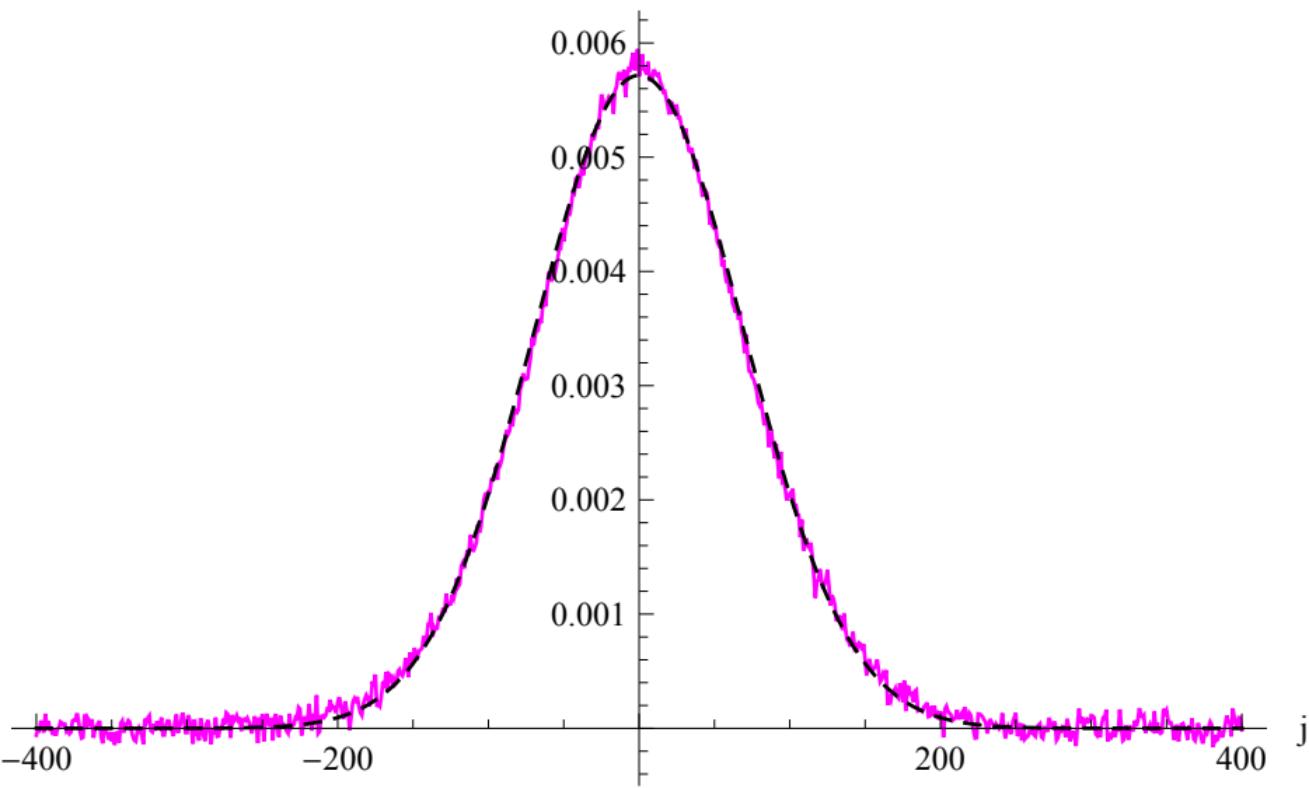
$S_{\rho\rho}(j,t)$



nonintegrable NLS, N=4096, m=1, g=1,  $\beta=1$ ,  $\mu=1$ , runs= $4 \times 10^4$ ,

$\lambda=4.75672$ ,  $t=1024$ ,

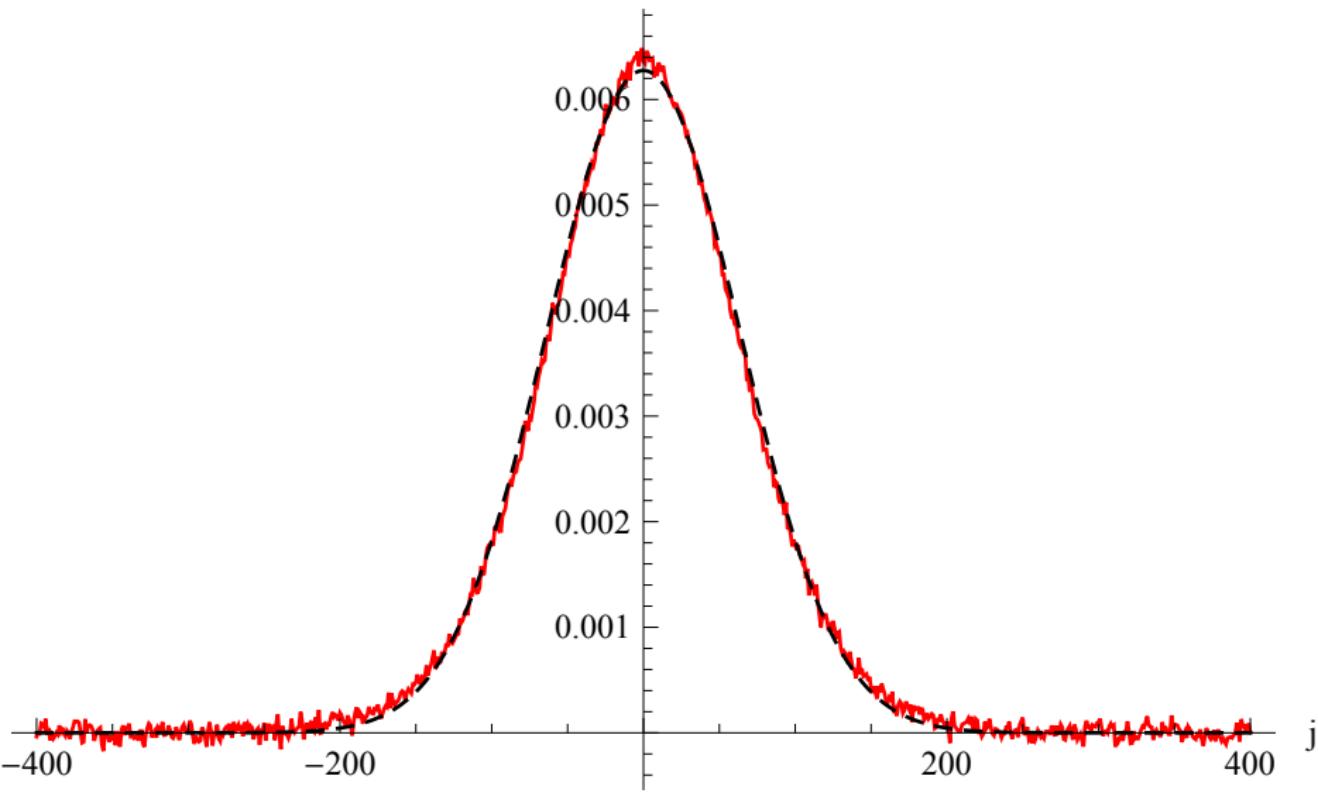
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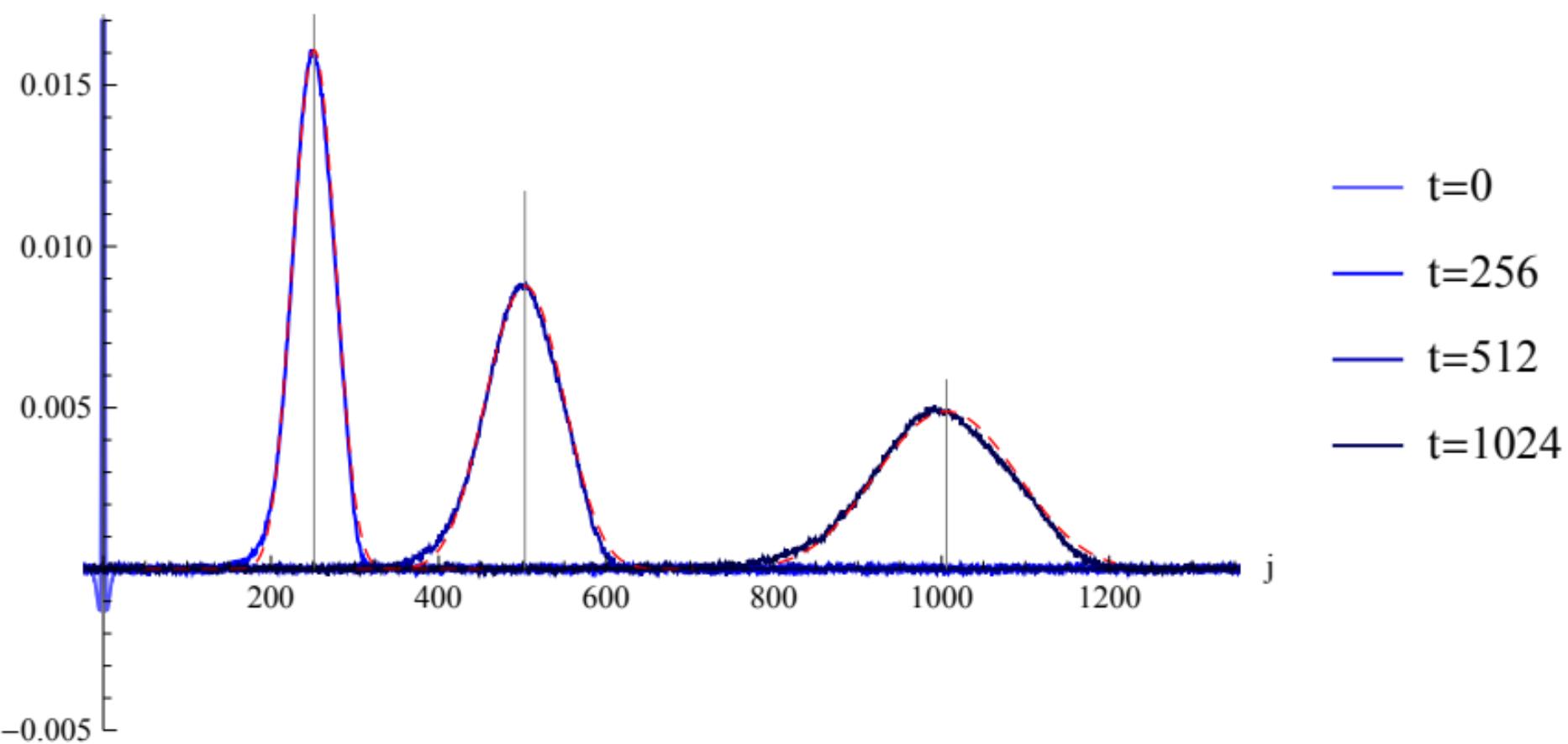
$\lambda=3.94795$ , t=1024,

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 $S_{ee}(j,t)$



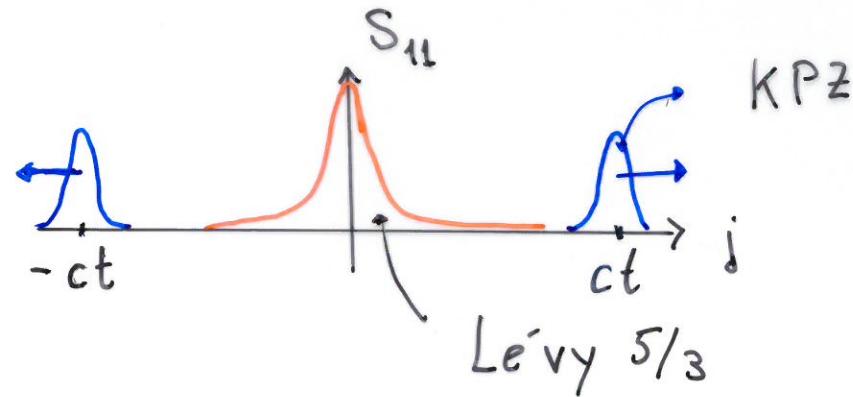
nonintegrable NLS, N=4096, m=1, g=1,  $\beta=20$ ,  $\mu=1.01839$ , runs= $4 \times 10^4$

$S_{\sigma\sigma}^\ddagger(j,t)$ ,  $\sigma=1$



- high temperatures      diffusive       $\sqrt{t}$  spread

- low temperatures



Lévy:  $e^{-|k|^{5/3} t}$

KPZ: width

$t^{2/3}$  scaling function

Kardar, Parisi, Zhang, 1986

Prähofer, HS, 2003

tabulated

$$e^{-|x|^{3/3}}, |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

|| Can this be understood? ||

ALSO for bosons

## fluctuating nonlinear hydrodynamics

conservation laws

$$\bullet \quad \partial_t \rho_j + \bar{J}_{j+1}^{\rho} - \bar{J}_j^{\rho} = 0 \quad , \quad \bar{J}_j^{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} i (4_{j-1}^* \partial 4_{j-1}^* - 4_{j-1}^* \partial 4_{j-1})$$

$$\bullet \quad \partial_t e_j + \bar{J}_{j+1}^e - \bar{J}_j^e = 0 \quad , \quad \bar{J}_j^e = \frac{1}{4} i (\Delta 4_j^* \partial 4_{j-1}^* - \Delta 4_j^* \partial 4_{j-1}) + \frac{1}{2} g \bar{J}_j^{\rho} |4_j|^2$$

$$\left\langle \bar{J}_j^{\rho} \right\rangle = 0 \quad \left\langle \bar{J}_j^e \right\rangle = 0$$

~ fluctuating hydrodynamics

$$\partial_t u_\alpha + \partial_x (-\partial_x D \vec{u}_\alpha + B \vec{\bar{J}}_\alpha) = 0 \quad \alpha = 1, 2$$

space-time white noise

$$u_1 = \rho(x, t)$$

$$u_2 = e(x, t)$$

~  $\sqrt{t}$  diffusive //

- low temperatures

$$\frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta(H - \mu N)}, \mu > 0, \beta \rightarrow \infty$$

$$q_j = \sqrt{\bar{\rho}} e^{i\vartheta}$$

$$\bar{\rho} = \frac{2\mu}{g}$$

$\vartheta$  uniform on  $[-\pi, \pi]$

$$q_j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (q_j + i p_j)$$

- canonical transformation

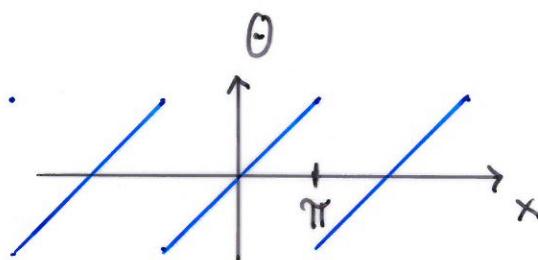
$$q_j = \sqrt{\rho_j} e^{i\varphi_j}$$

phase space

$$(\mathbb{R}_+ \times [-\pi, \pi])^N + b.c. \text{ at } p_j = 0$$

super fluid velocity

$$\tilde{v}_j = \Theta(\varphi_{j+1} - \varphi_j)$$



NOT conserved

umklapp processes

high temperatures

noisy

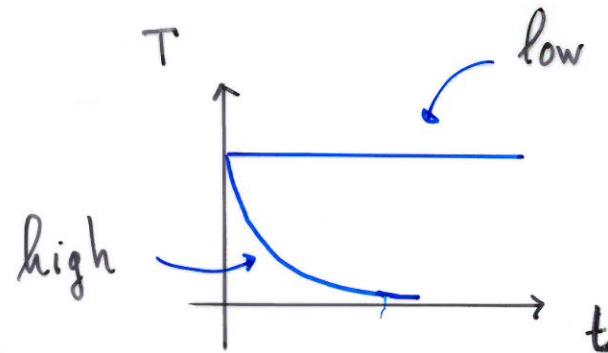
low temperatures

$j \mapsto \xi_j$  random walk on  $S^1$

jump size  $1/\sqrt{\beta}$  ↙

↪ almost conserved

$$T(t) = \sum_j \langle \tilde{v}_j(t) \tilde{v}_0(0) \rangle$$



$$e^{-t/\tau} \quad \tau = e^\beta$$

expand  $H$  at  $\bar{s}, \bar{v}$

observables do not depend on  $v$

small  $\tilde{v}_j$ ,  $z_j = s_j - \bar{s}$

⇒ effective low temperature  $H_{lt}$  ↗ only for theory //

$$H_{\text{tot}} = \sum_j \left\{ \frac{1}{2} v_j^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} (z_j + z_{j-1}) \right) + \frac{1}{\delta p} (z_{j+1} - z_j)^2 + V(z_j) \right\}$$

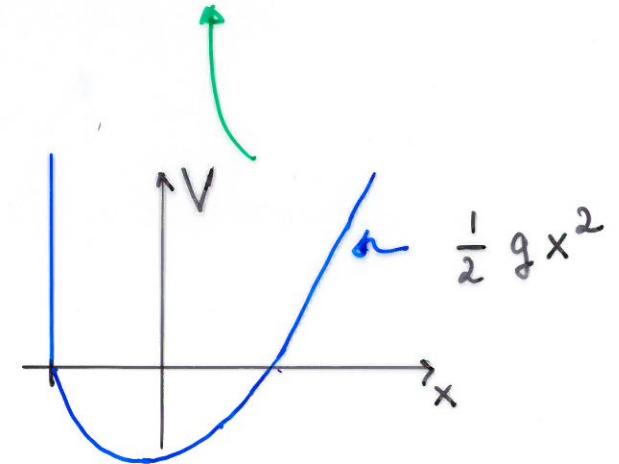
$$\tilde{v}_j \in [-\pi, \pi] \rightsquigarrow v_j \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$v_j = \varphi_{j+1} - \varphi_j, \text{ canonical pair } \varphi_j, z_j \\ \in \mathbb{R} \times \overbrace{[-\bar{p}, \infty)}^{a}$$

3 conserved fields  $v_j, z_j, e_j$

$\Rightarrow$  non zero Euler currents

$\approx$  3 peaks + spreading



- nonlinear fluctuating hydrodynamics mesoscopic scale

$$\partial_t u_\alpha + \partial_x \left( j_\alpha(\vec{u}) - \partial_x D \vec{u}_\alpha + B \vec{z}_\alpha \right) = 0 \quad \alpha = 1, 2, 3$$

KPZ is determined by stochastic Burgers alias KPZ equation  
decoupling

$$\partial_t u + \partial_x \left( -cu + u^2 - \partial_x u + \vec{z} \right) = 0$$

stationary stochastic process  $u(x, t)$

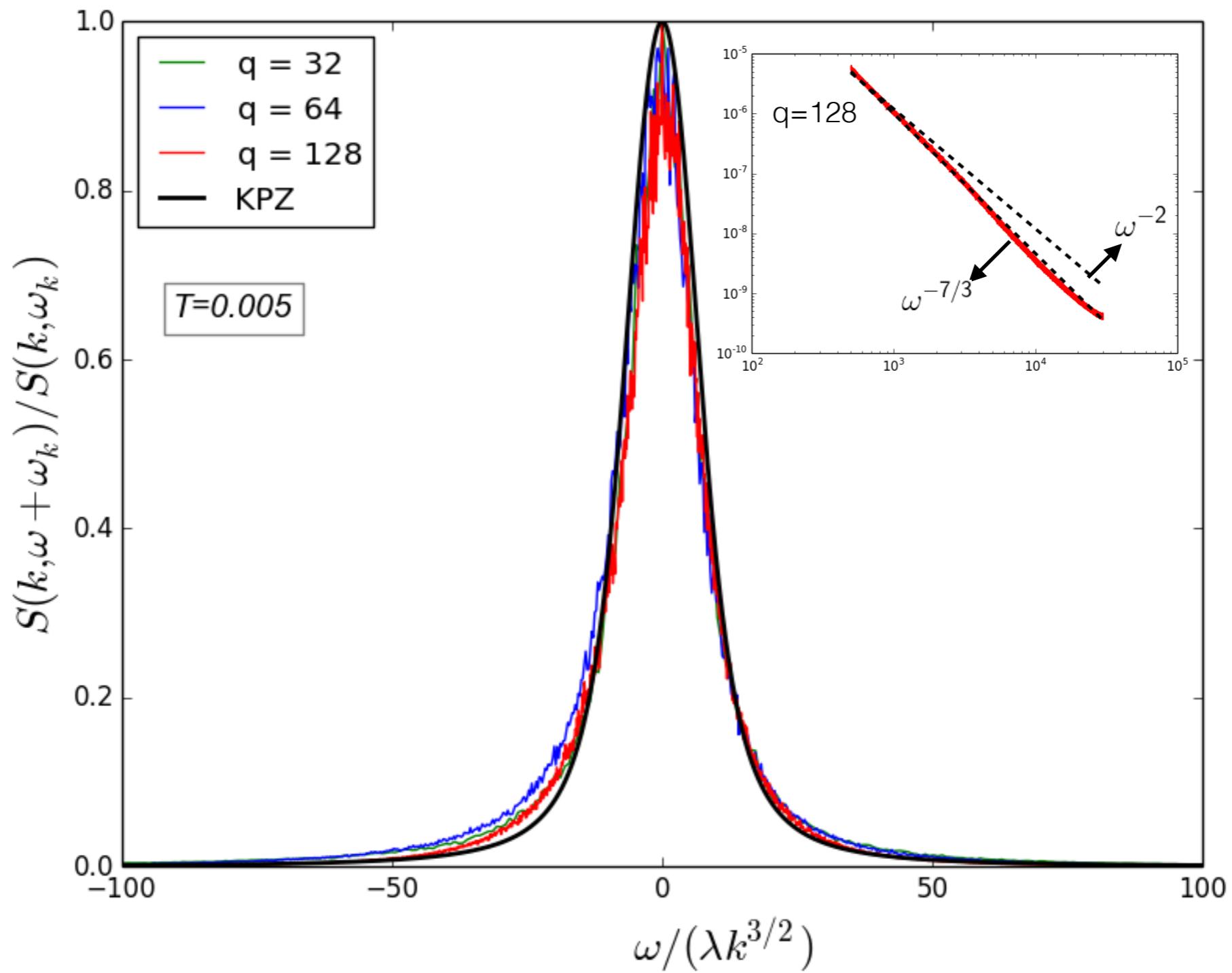
$$E(u(x, t) u(0, 0)) \underset{\text{large } x, t}{\approx} t^{-2/3} f_{\text{KPZ}}(t^{-2/3}(x - ct))$$

large  $x, t$

- central peak
  - no self-interaction
  - coupling to moving peaks

≈ tails as  $t|x|^{-8/3}$   
with cut-off at  $x = \pm ct$

→ no signal beyond sound cone ←



## Conclusions / Outlook

- should be tested in experiment
- temperature

2 distinct scenarios for the late stage  
time scales