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Quantum turbulence: From the Kolmogorov cascade to sound emission, passing by Kelvin waves and vortex reconnections.

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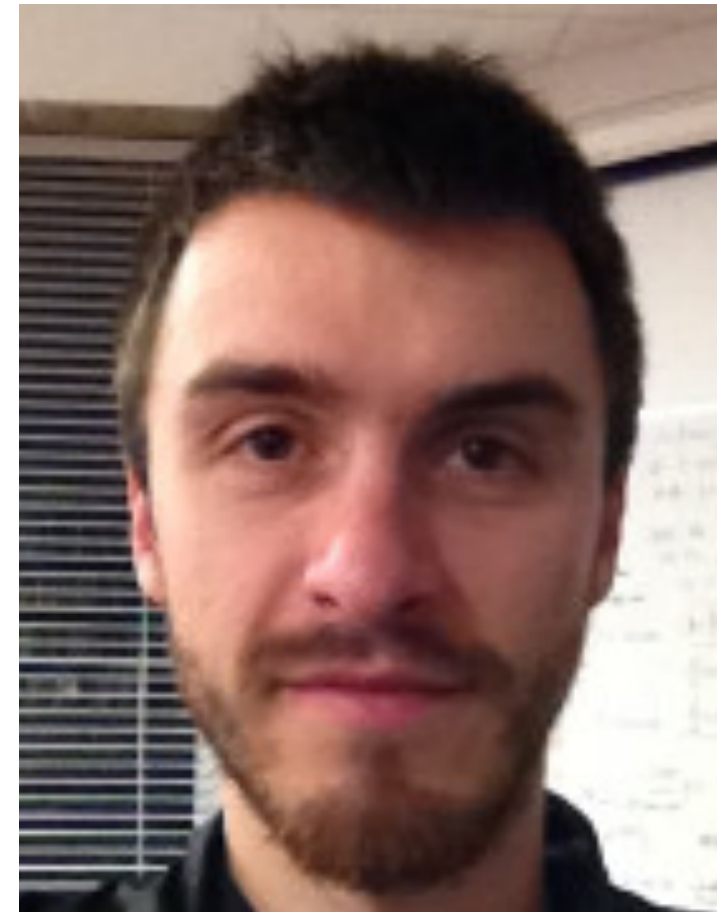
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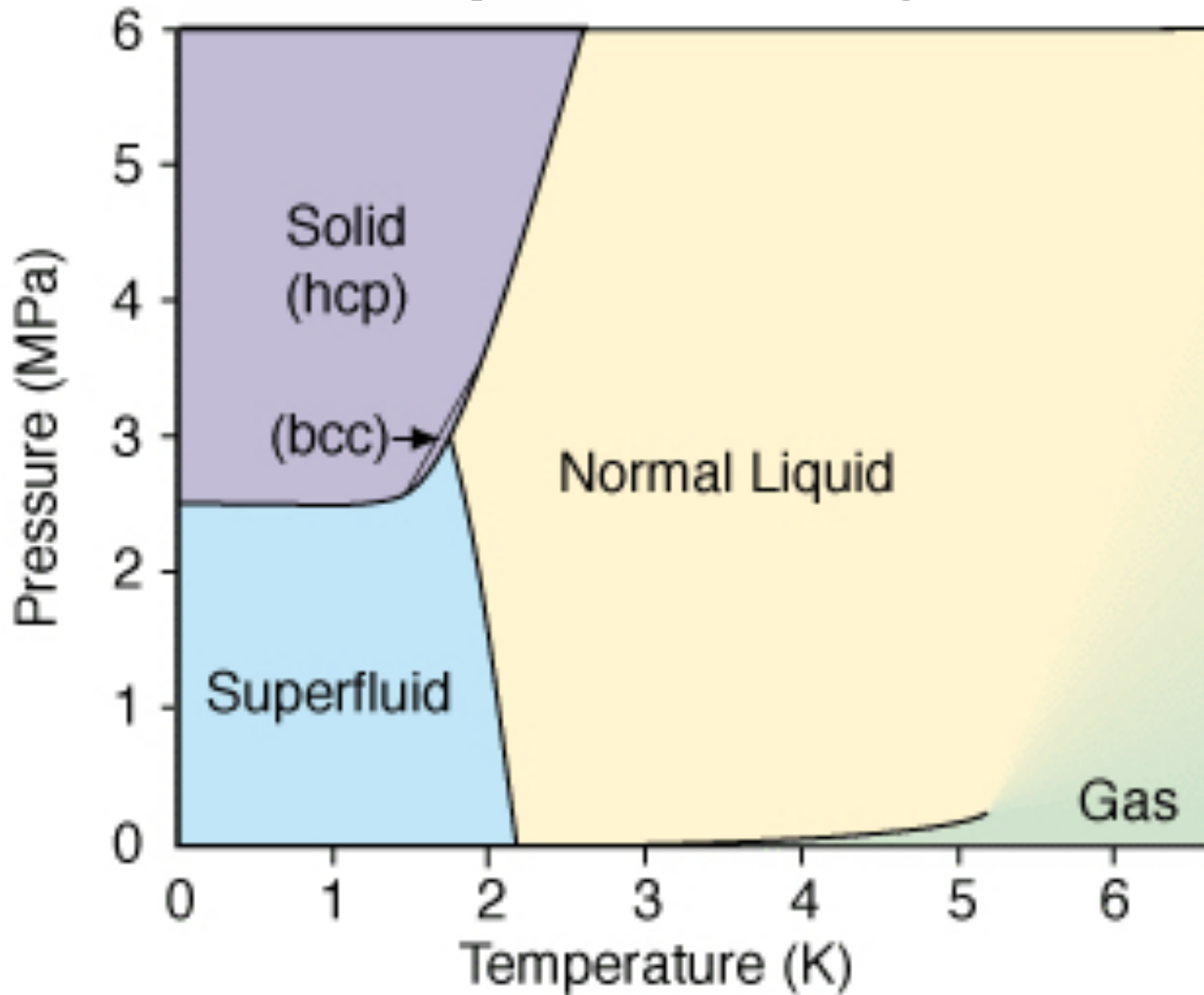
Superfluids

Superfluid ^4He

$T \sim 2\text{K}$

They have no viscosity !

Helium phase diagram



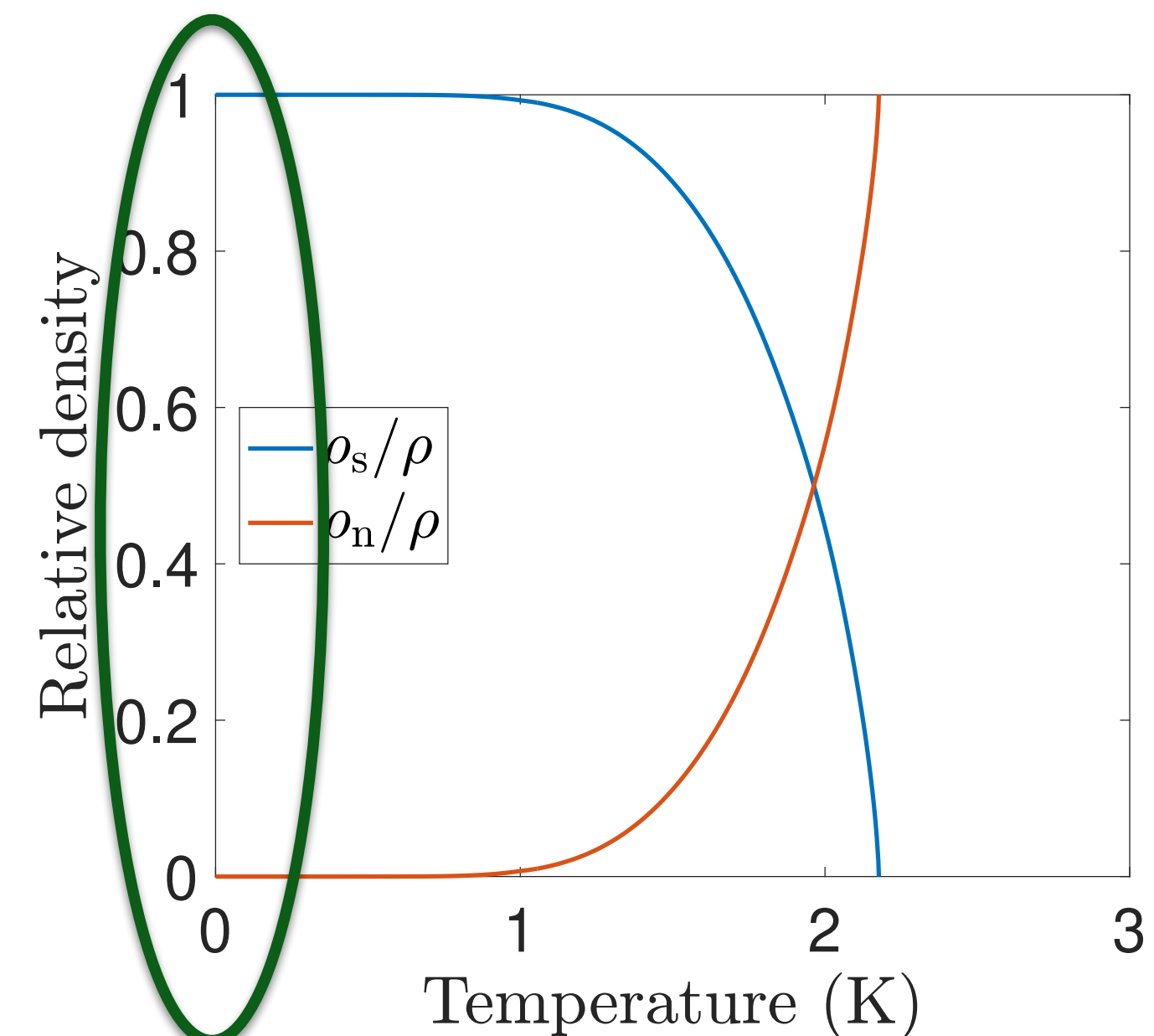
Landau-Tisza description of superfluid helium

Two immiscible fluids:

- ◆ *normal* (viscous) fluid of density ρ_n
- ◆ *superfluid* of density ρ_s

$$\rho = \rho_n + \rho_s$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \rho_n \mathbf{v}_n + \rho_s \mathbf{v}_s$$



Picture from: Low Temperature Laboratory, Aalto University webpage

Today's talk

Length scales of superfluid turbulence

energy injection
 $\sim m$

Classical (Kolmogorov) turbulence

inter-vortex distance
 $\sim 10^{-5} m$

Kelvin wave cascade & vortex reconnections

coherence length
 vortex core size
 $\sim \text{\AA}$

sound emission

$\dots \rightarrow l_I$



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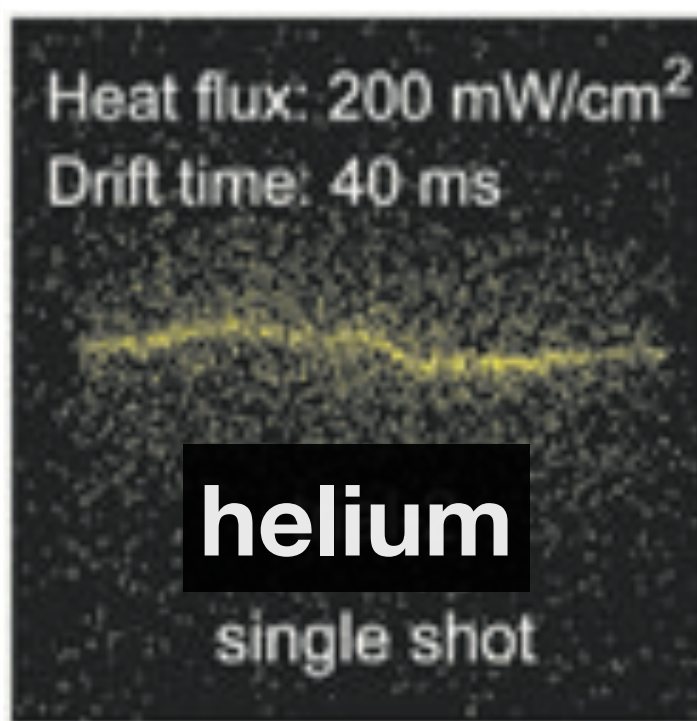
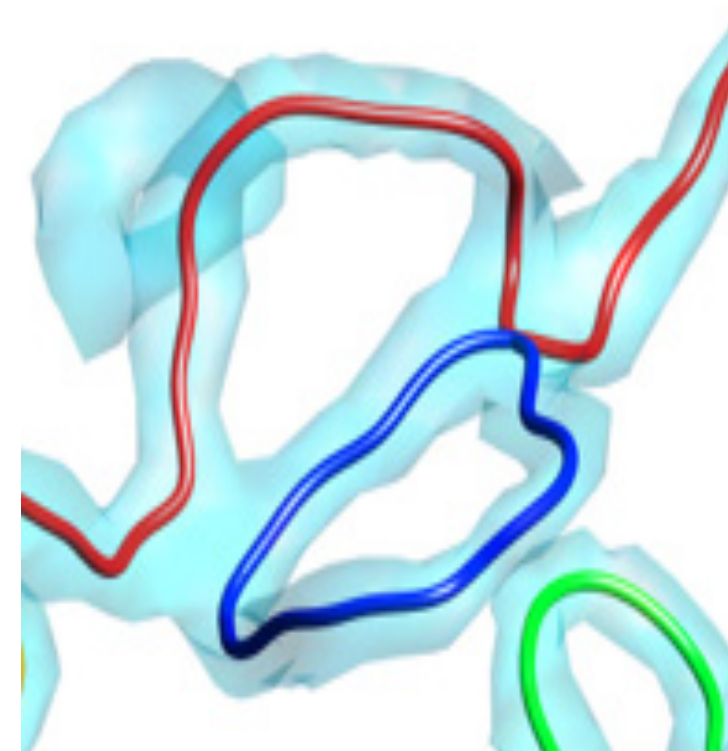
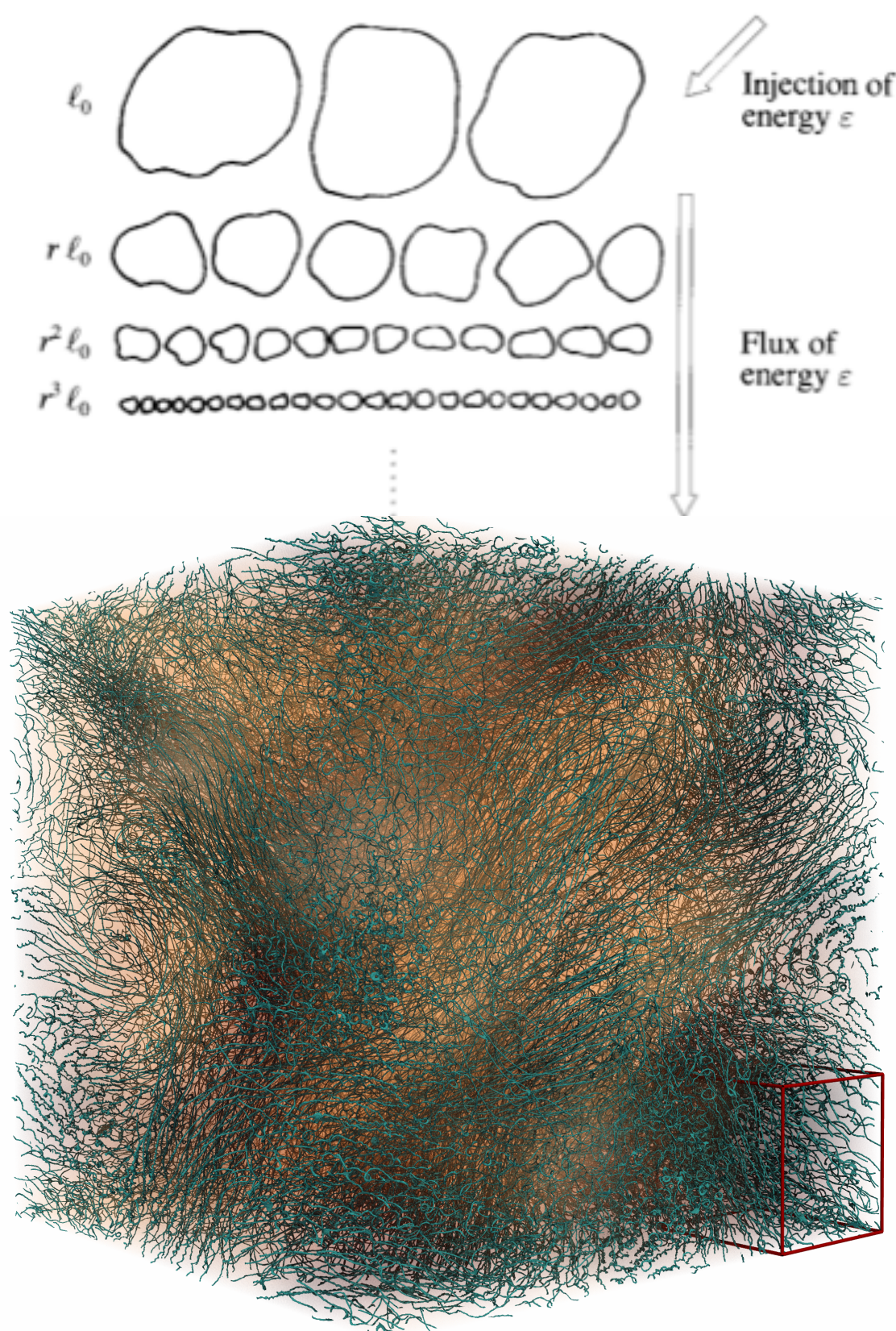


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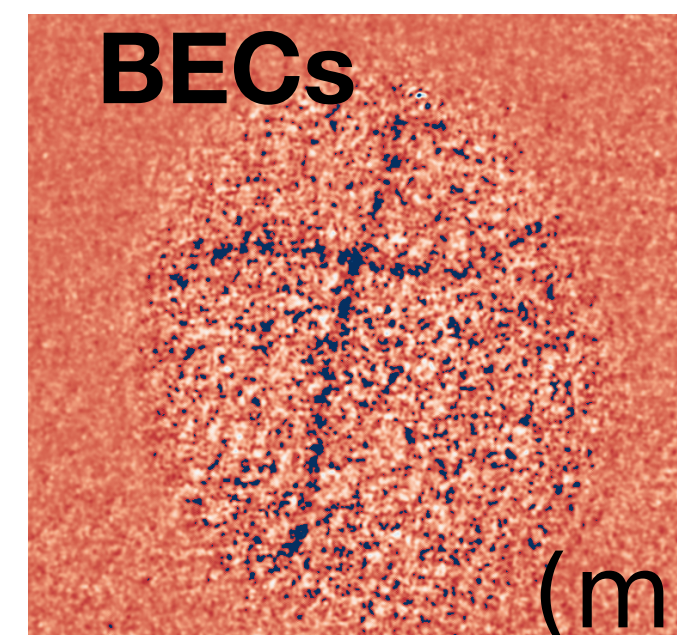
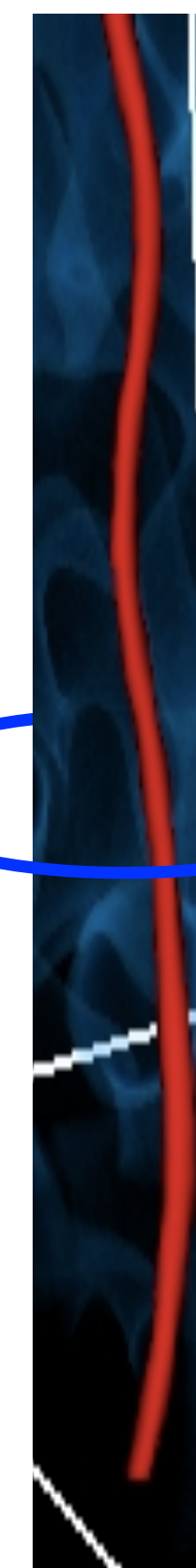
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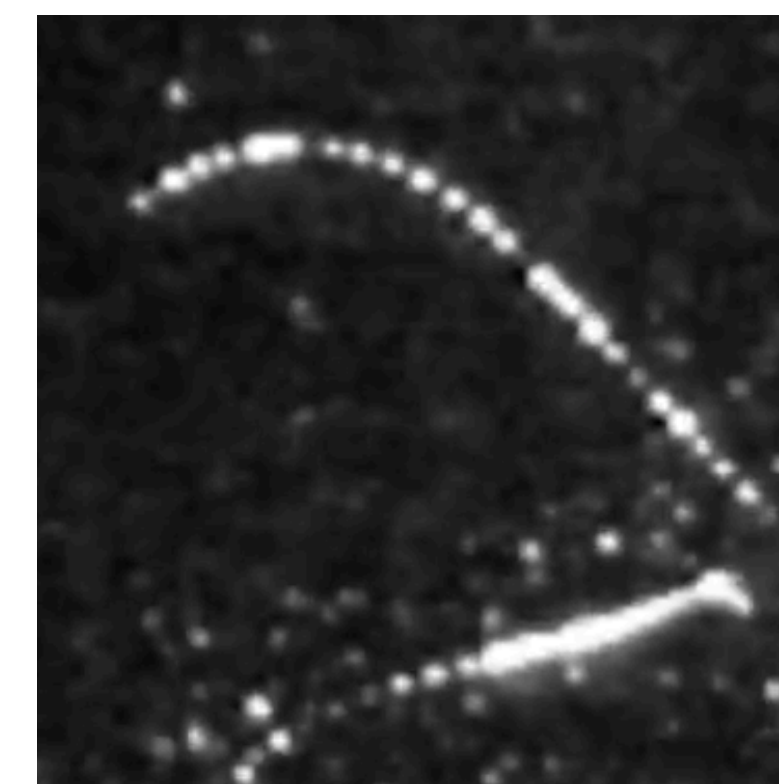
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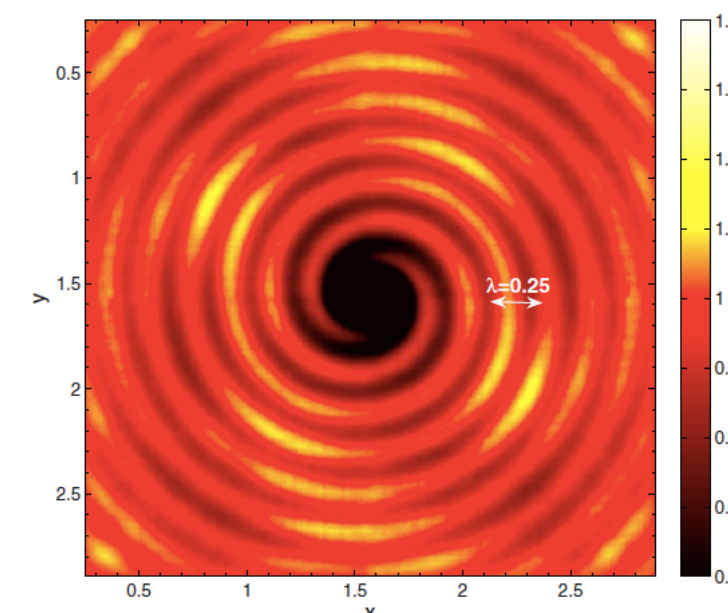
Wei Guo's group



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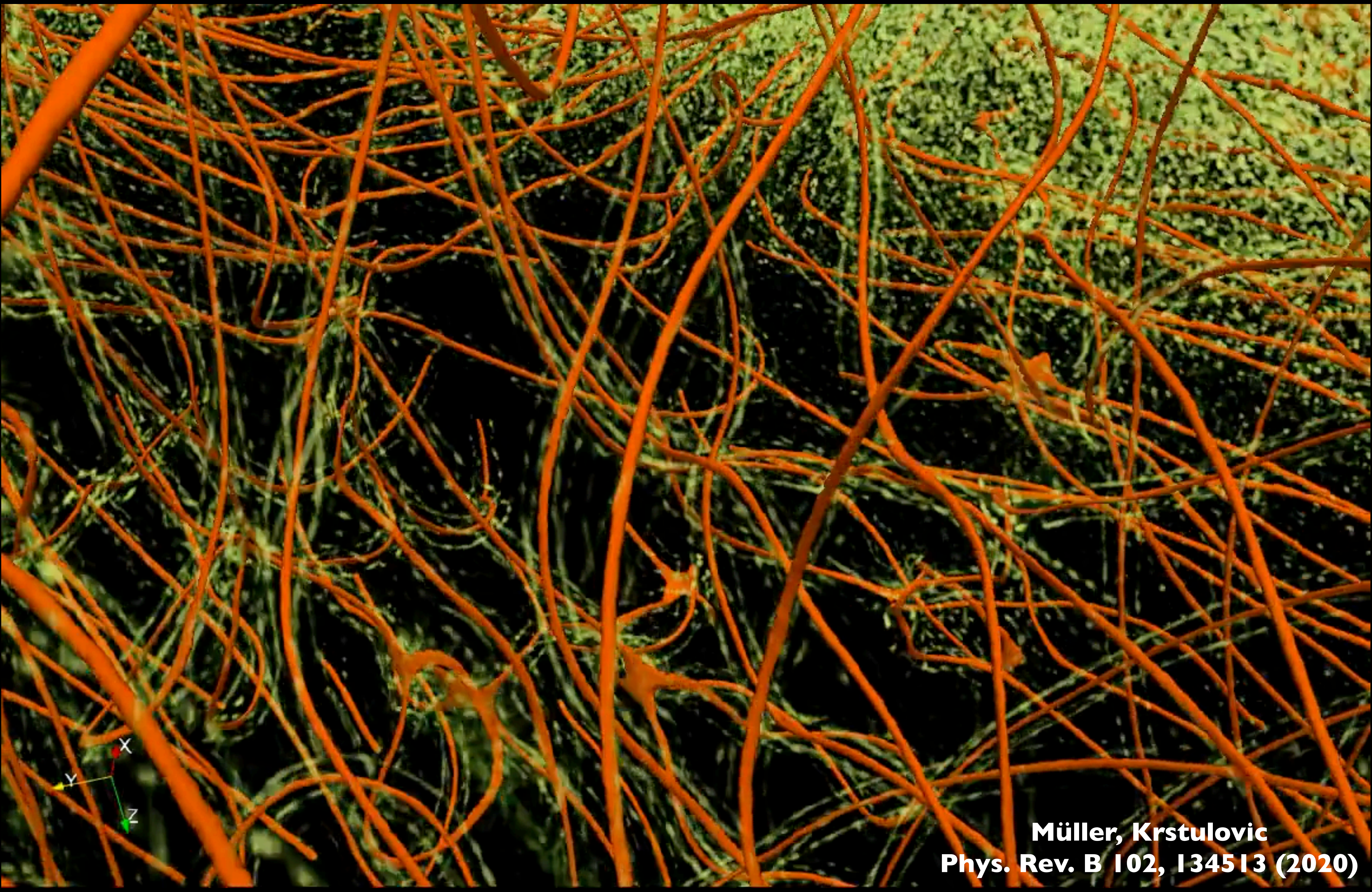


**Quantum
vortices**



**Density
fluctuations**

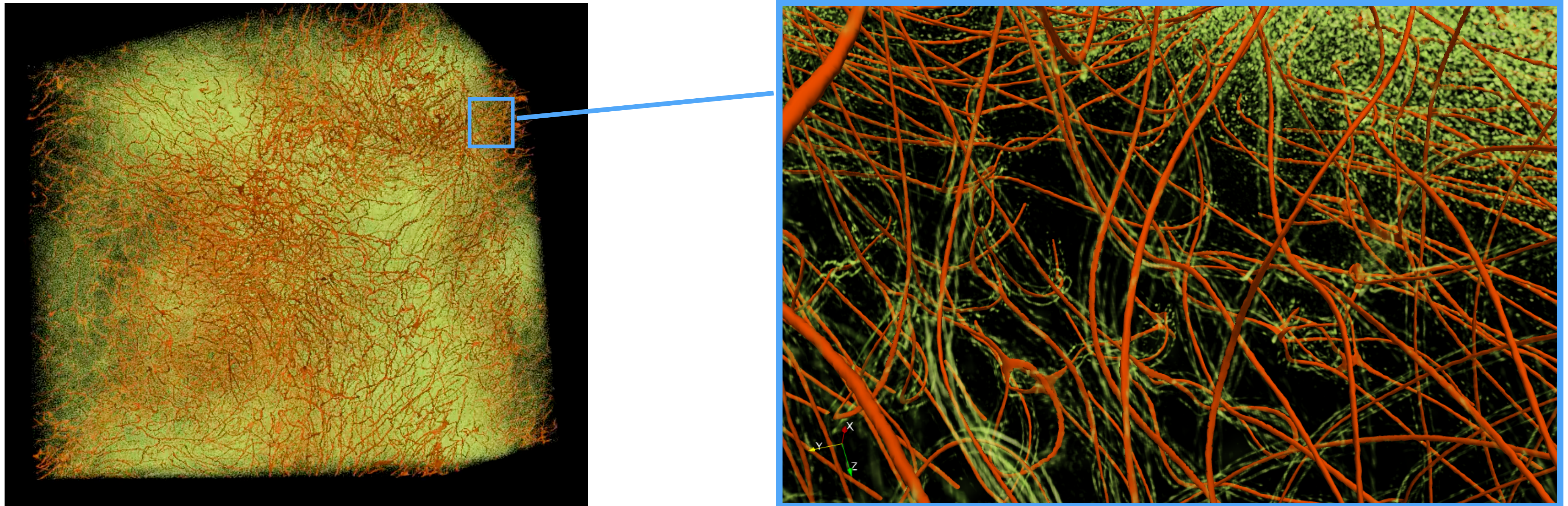
**3D Gross-
Pitaevskii**



**Müller, Krstulovic
Phys. Rev. B 102, 134513 (2020)**

Quantum vortices and turbulence

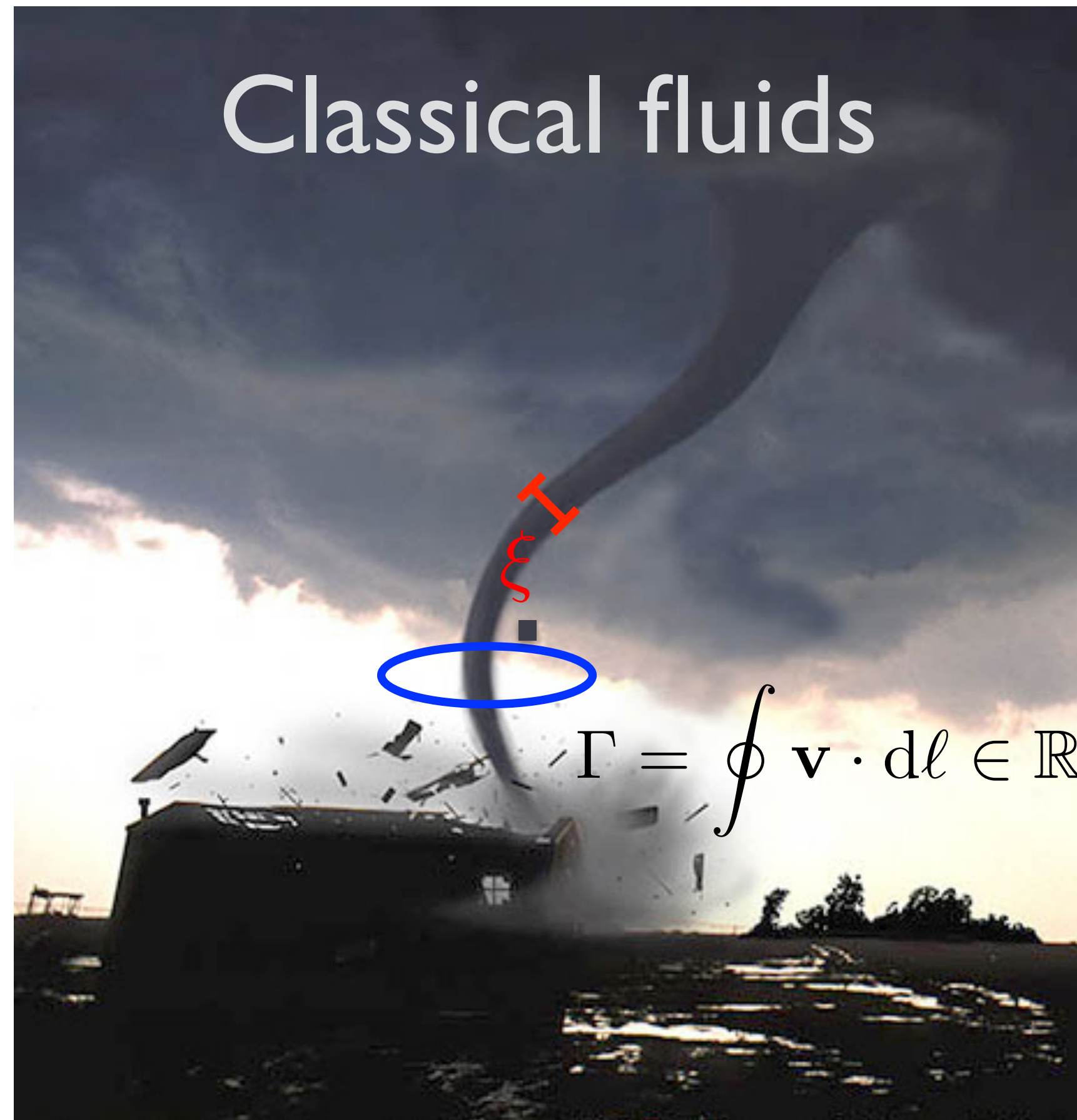
- At “zero-temperature”, a superfluid has **no viscosity**
- Compressible fluid (**and dispersive**)
- Described by a complex order parameter (wave function)
- **Quantum vortices** (filaments) are naturally present in turbulent states



Numerical simulation of Gross-Pitaevskii (a.k.a NLS)

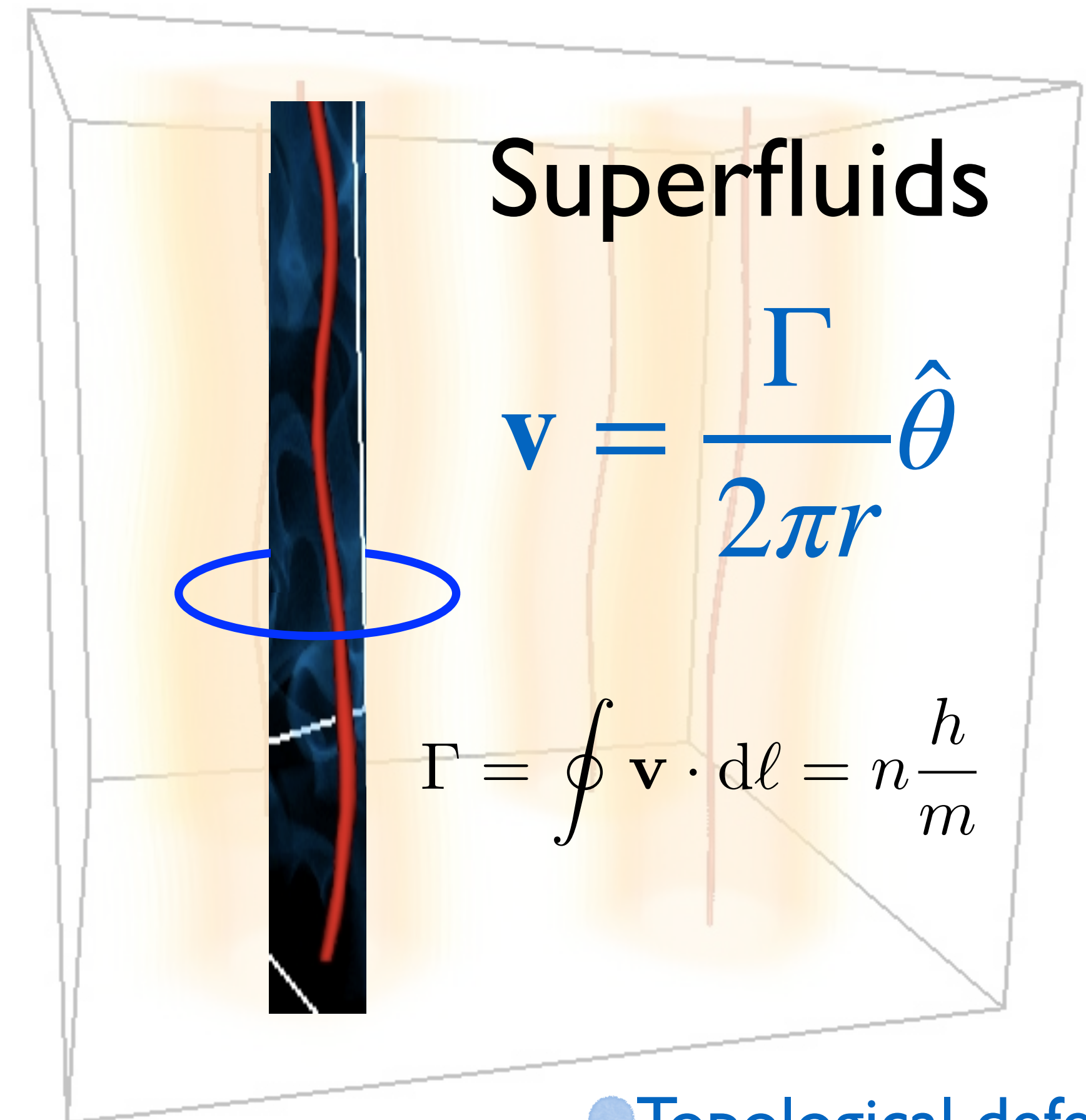
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Quantum vortices



- Finite core-size
- Continuous circulation

vortex core
 $\xi \rightarrow 0$



- Topological defects
- Quantised circulation

$\xi \sim \text{\AA} \text{ (} ^4\text{He)}$

$\xi \sim \mu\text{m} \text{ (BEC)}$

Modeling superfluid helium

Multi-scale physics

Scales

vortex core size

ξ

mean inter-vortex
distance

ℓ

$T = 0$

Temperature

$T = 2.17K$

Classical fluid (Navier-Stokes)

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Gross-Pitaevskii based model

Temperature

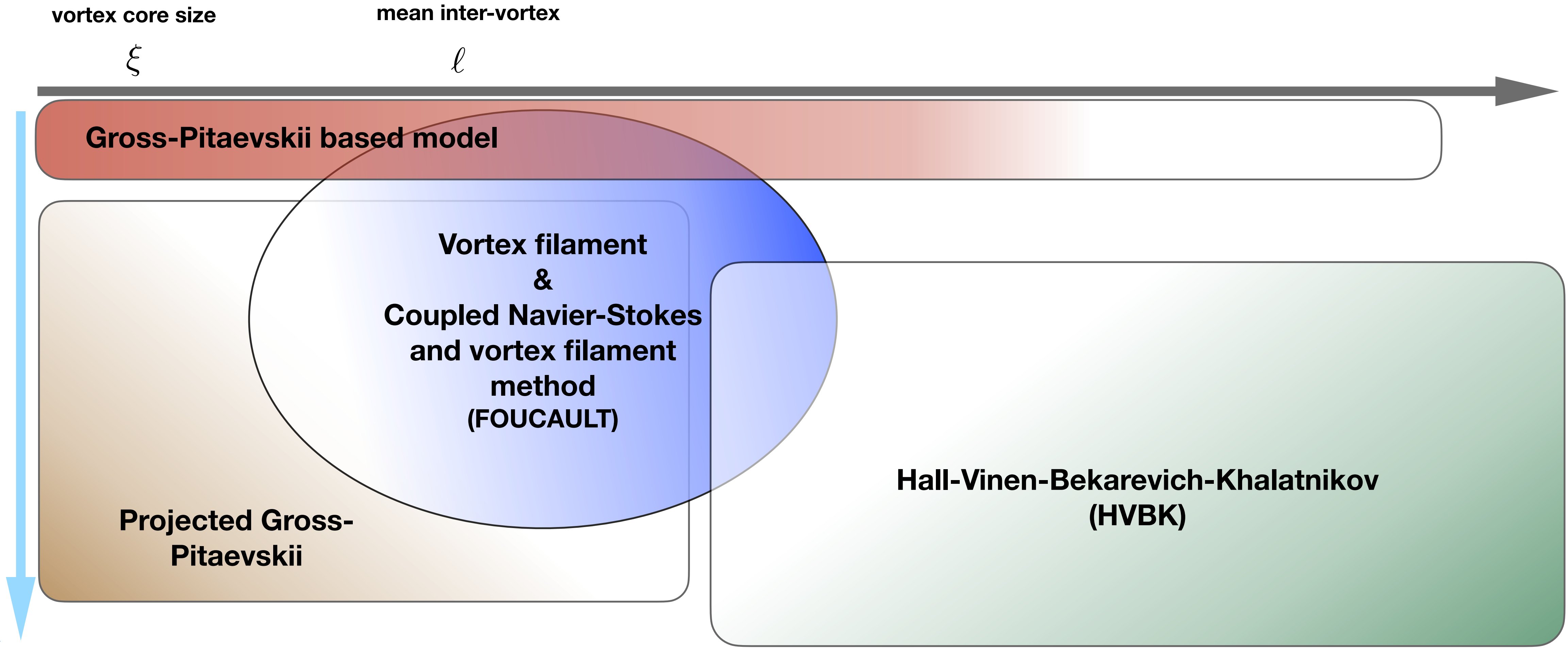
Vortex filament
&
Coupled Navier-Stokes
and vortex filament
method
(FOUCAULT)

Projected Gross-
Pitaevskii

Hall-Vinen-Bekarevich-Khalatnikov
(HVBK)

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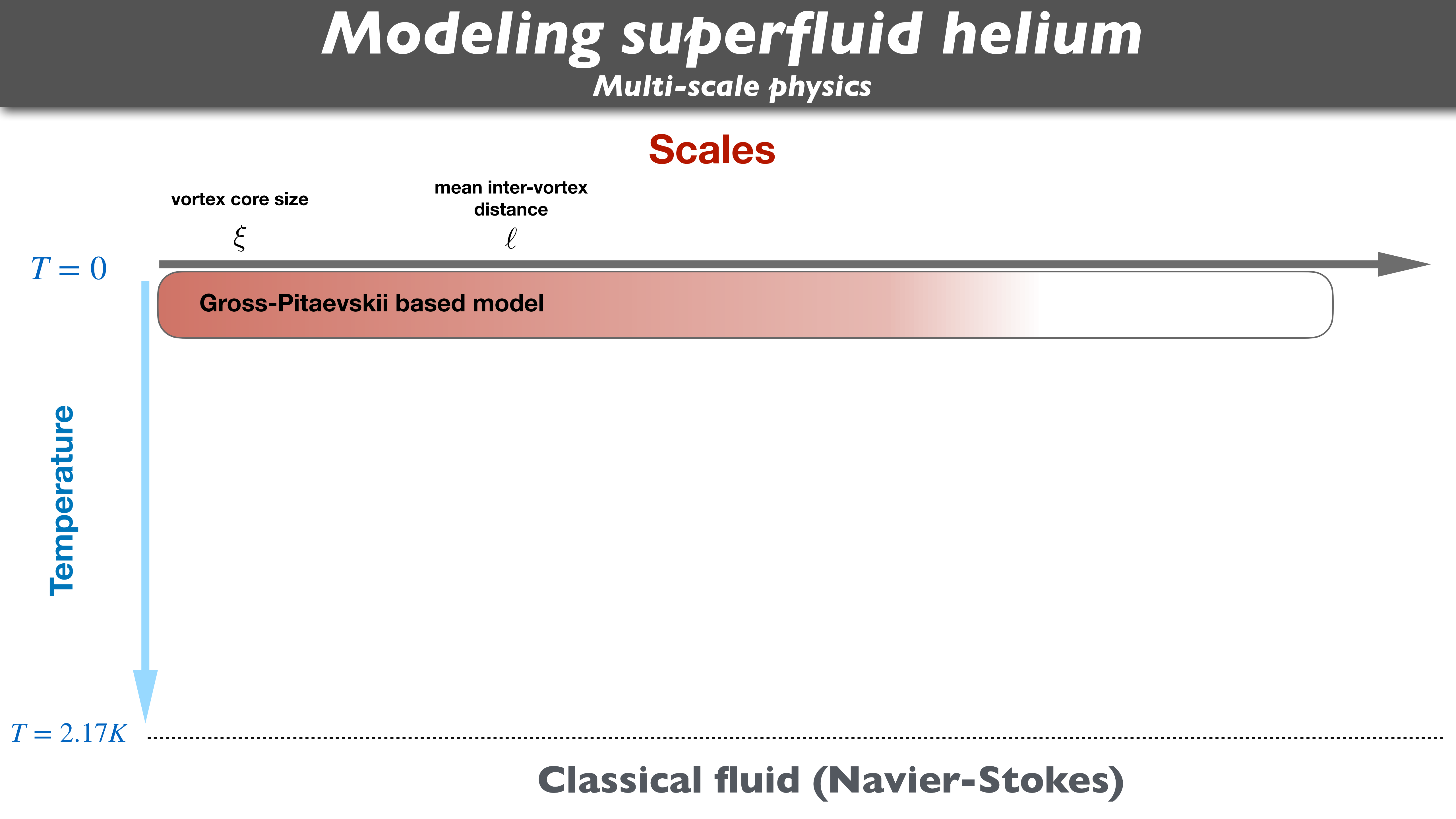
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The Gross-Pitaevskii equation

Modelling low-temperature superfluids

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + g |\psi|^2 \psi, \quad g = \frac{4\pi a \hbar^2}{m}$$

Linearising about a flat state:

$$\psi = A_0 e^{-i\frac{\mu}{\hbar}t} + \delta\psi$$

Bogoliubov dispersion relation:

$$\omega(k) = c k \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{2} \xi^2 k^2}$$

$$\omega(k) = \sqrt{\frac{g|A_0|^2}{m} k^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2} k^4}$$

Speed of sound $c = \sqrt{g|A_0|^2/m}$

Coherence length $\xi = \sqrt{\hbar^2/2m|A_0|^2g}$

Hydrodynamics?

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Madelung transformation

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}, t) = \sqrt{\frac{\rho(\mathbf{x}, t)}{m}} \exp\left[i\frac{m}{\hbar}\phi(\mathbf{x}, t)\right] = \sqrt{\frac{\rho(\mathbf{x}, t)}{m}} \exp\left[i\frac{\phi(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\sqrt{2}c\xi}\right]$$



$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \nabla \phi) = 0,$$
$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}(\nabla \phi)^2 = c^2(1 - \rho) + c^2 \xi^2 \frac{\Delta \sqrt{\rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}}.$$

density of particles

$$\rho = |\psi|^2$$

$\mathbf{v} = \nabla \phi$ is a potential flow

Quantum vortices

$\mathbf{v} = \nabla \phi$ is a potential flow but:

Vortices are topological defects: $\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$

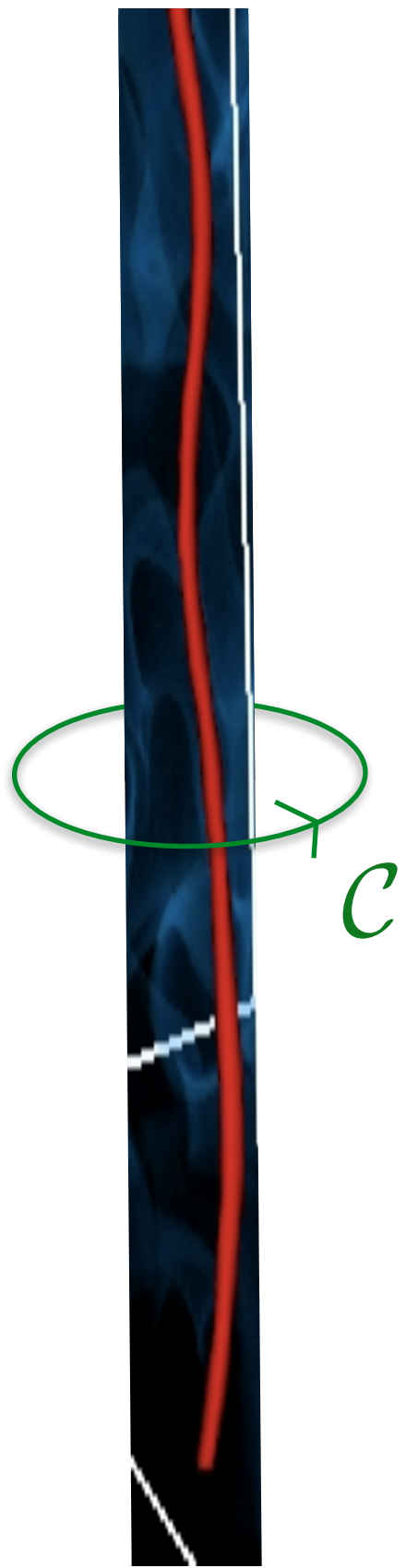
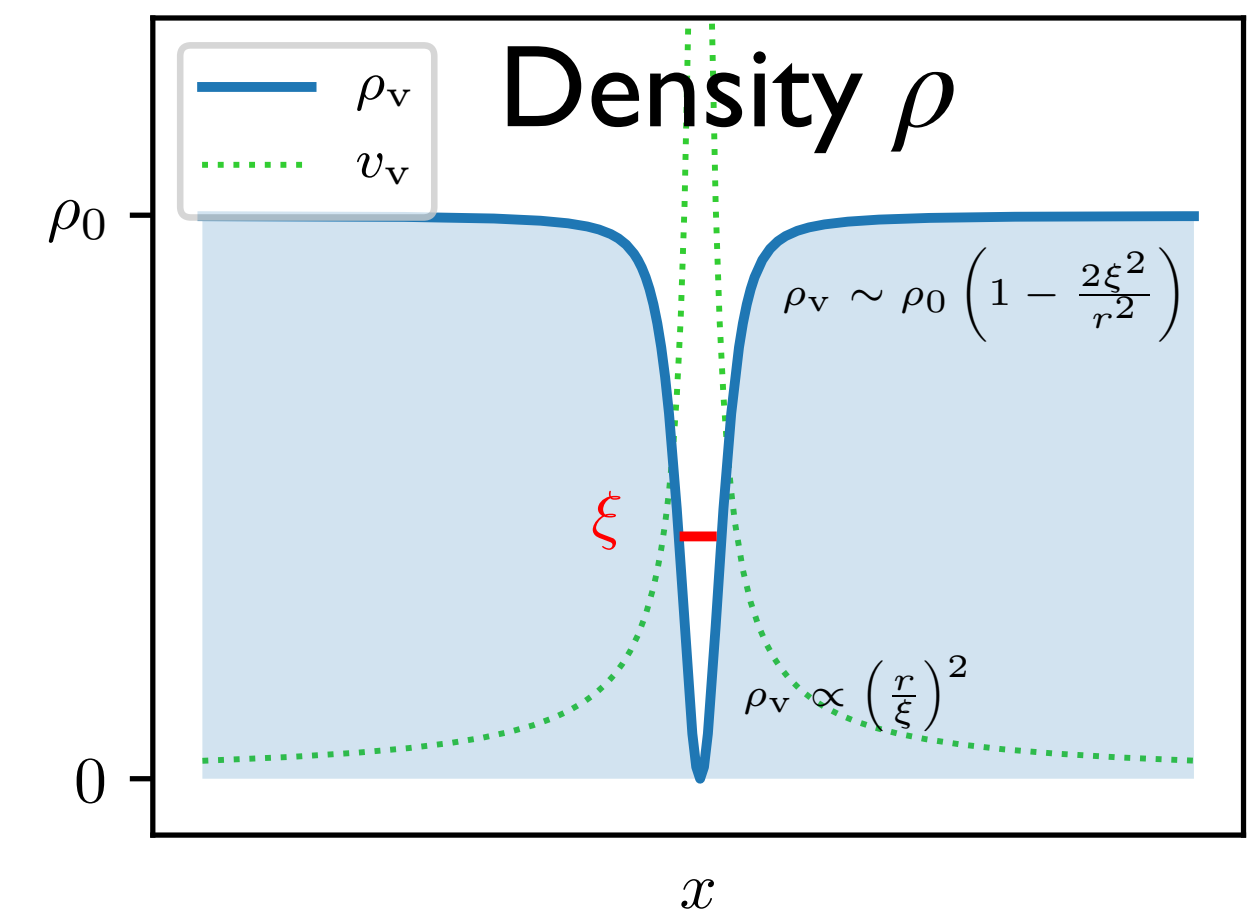
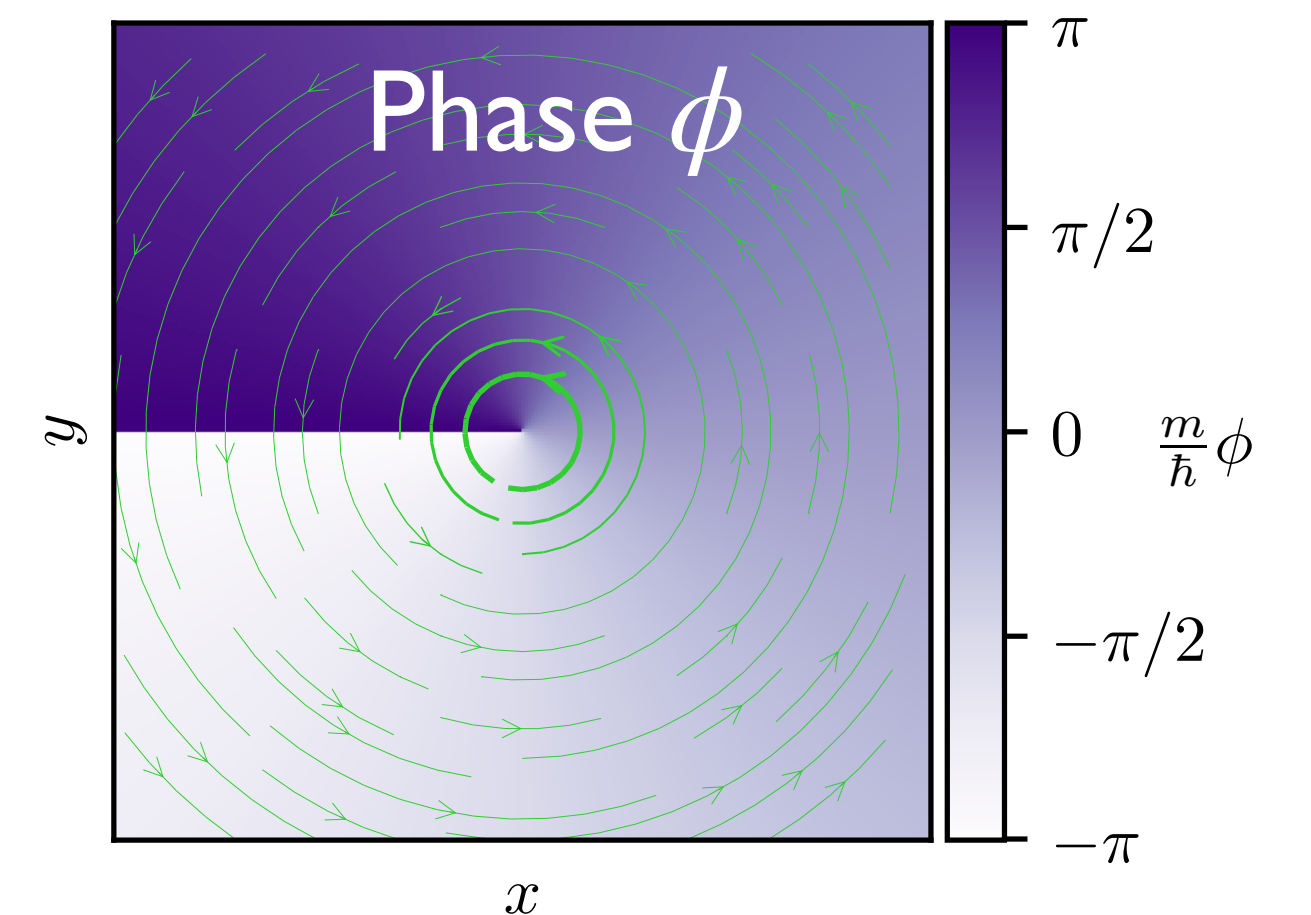
$$\Gamma = \oint_C \nabla \phi \cdot d\ell = \phi^+ - \phi^-$$

$$\Gamma = n \frac{h}{m} = n 2\pi \sqrt{2} c \xi, \quad \text{with } n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Points in $2D$ and lines in $3D$

$$\mathbf{v} \sim \frac{1}{r} \Rightarrow \nabla \times \mathbf{v} \sim \delta(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \frac{h}{m} \oint \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(l)) \frac{d\mathbf{s}(l)}{dl} dl$$



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Gross-Pitaevskii model

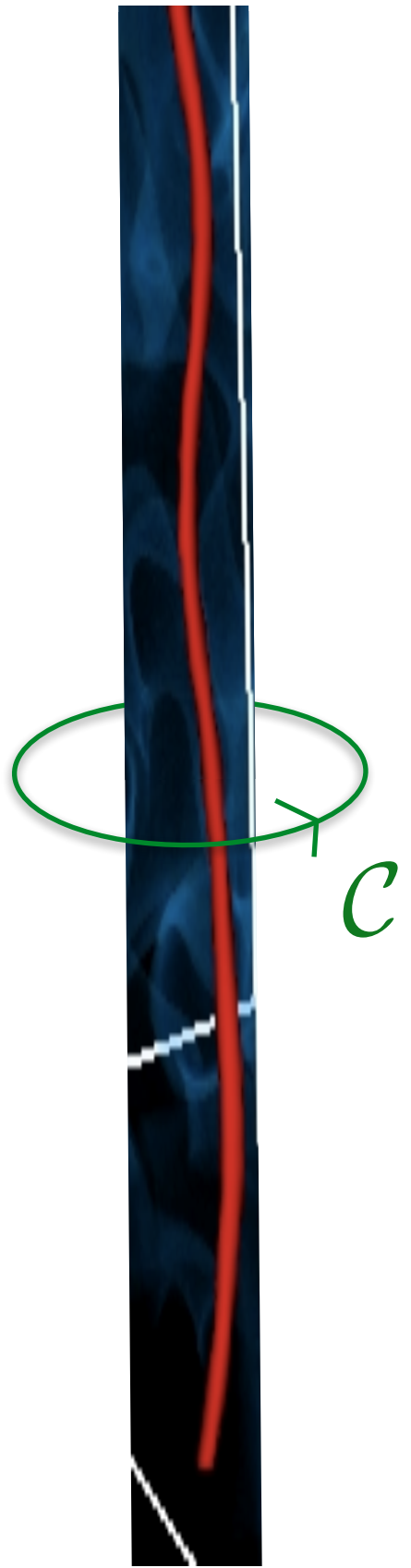
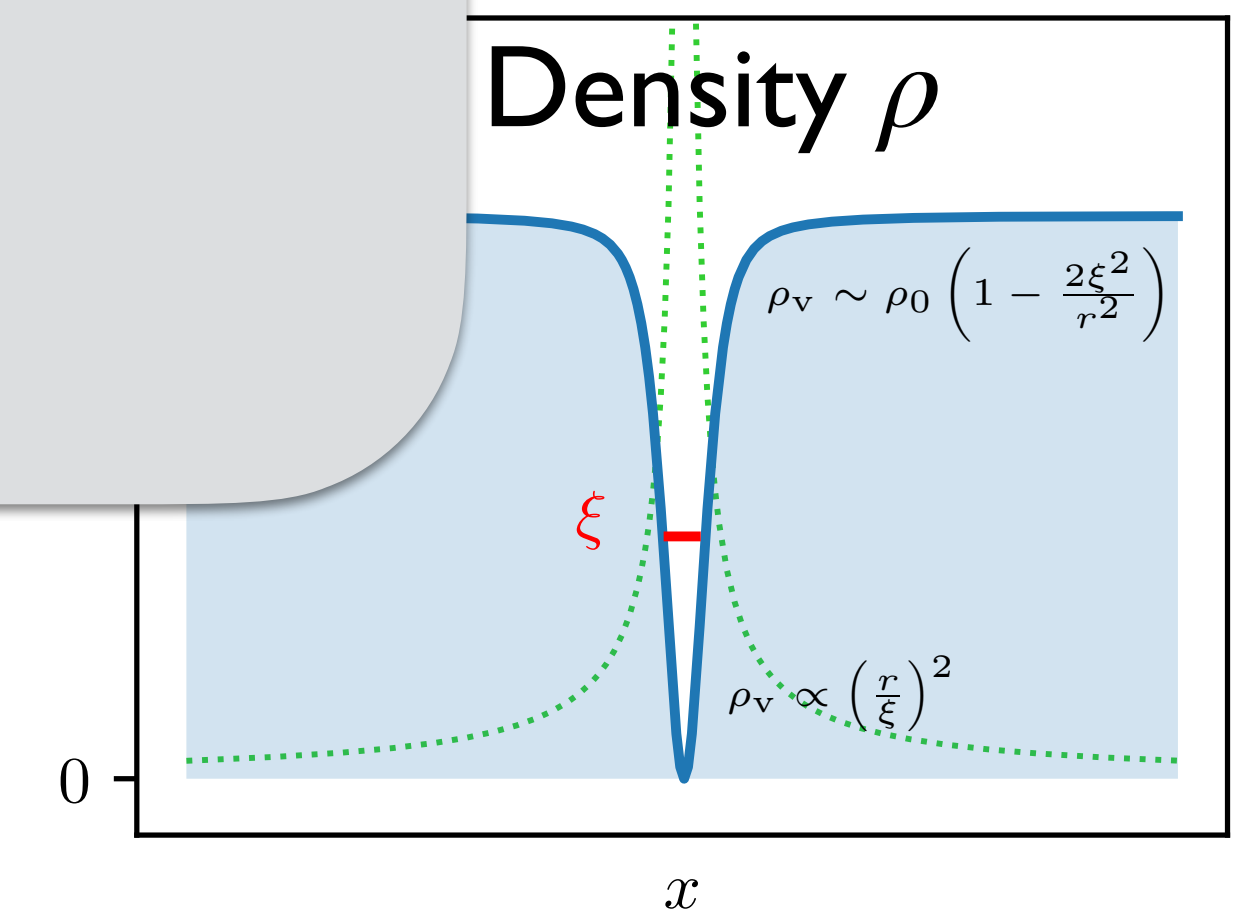
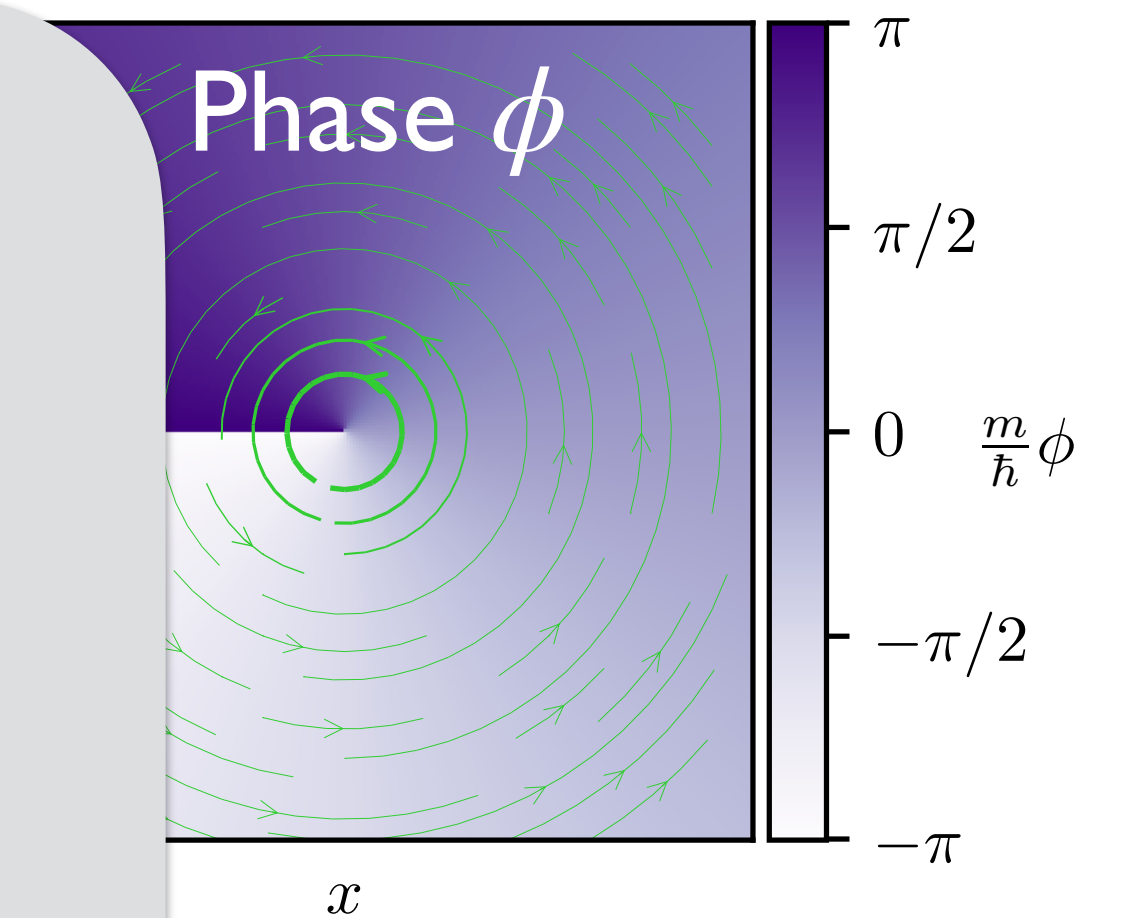
Collection of “ideal” vortex filaments:

- Velocity field $\vec{v} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r} \hat{\theta}$
- Core size ξ (small)

Euler equation + small-scale dispersion
regularisations

$$\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla \times \mathbf{v} = \frac{h}{m} \oint \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(l)) \frac{d\mathbf{s}(l)}{dl} dl$$

Poin



Vortex filament method

At $T = 0$

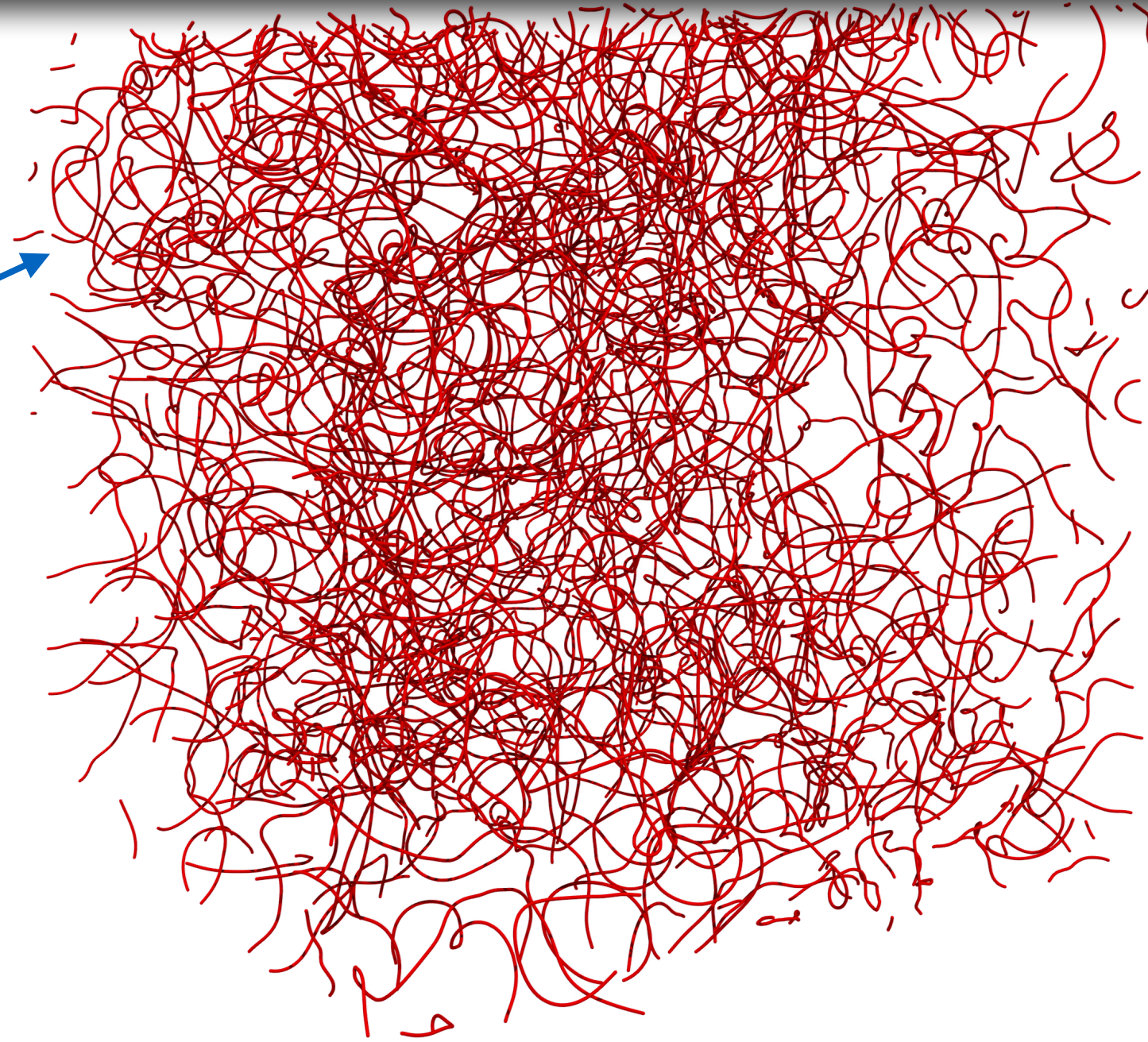
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Collection of vortex filaments \mathcal{C}

$$\text{Vorticity field } \omega_s(\mathbf{x}) = \Gamma \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(\zeta)) \frac{d\mathbf{R}}{d\zeta} d\zeta$$

Velocity field

$$\mathbf{v}_s(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^3} \times \omega(\mathbf{y}) d^3\mathbf{y} = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(\zeta)}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{s}(\zeta)|^3} \times \frac{d\mathbf{R}}{d\zeta} d\zeta$$



Schwarz vortex filament method

$$\frac{d\mathbf{R}(\zeta, t)}{dt} = \mathbf{v}_s(\mathbf{R}(\zeta, t))$$

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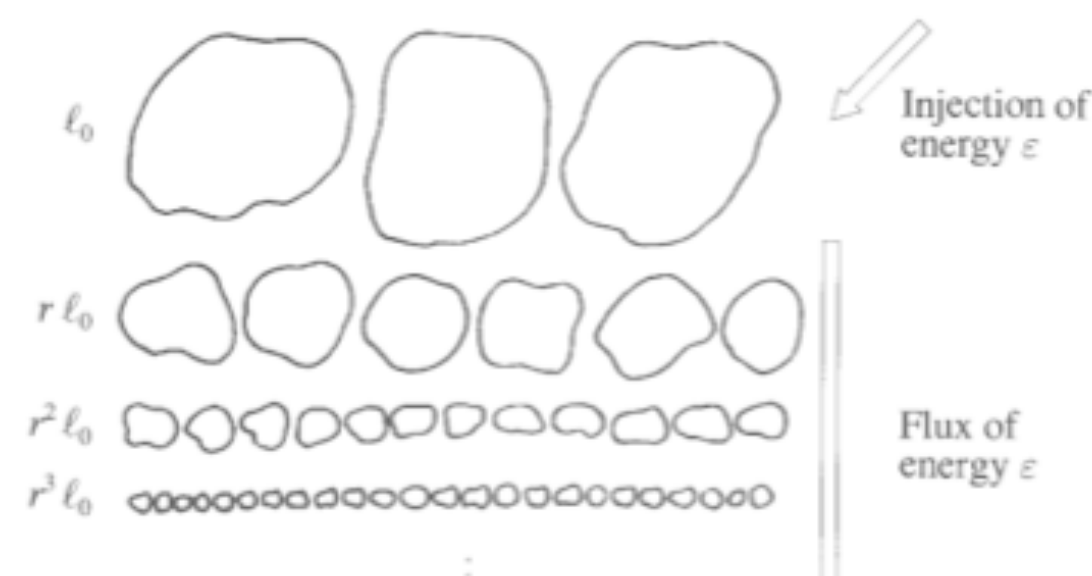
- Regularisation of Biot-Savart
- Ad-hoc reconnection rule
- Ad-hoc small-scale dissipation

Length scales of turbulence equivalence

energy injection
 $\sim m$

Classical (Kolmogorov) turbulence

$\dots \rightarrow l_I$



GP and Navier-Stokes turbulence equivalence in 2D and 3D (intermittency)

See J.I. Polanco and N. P. Müller talks next week

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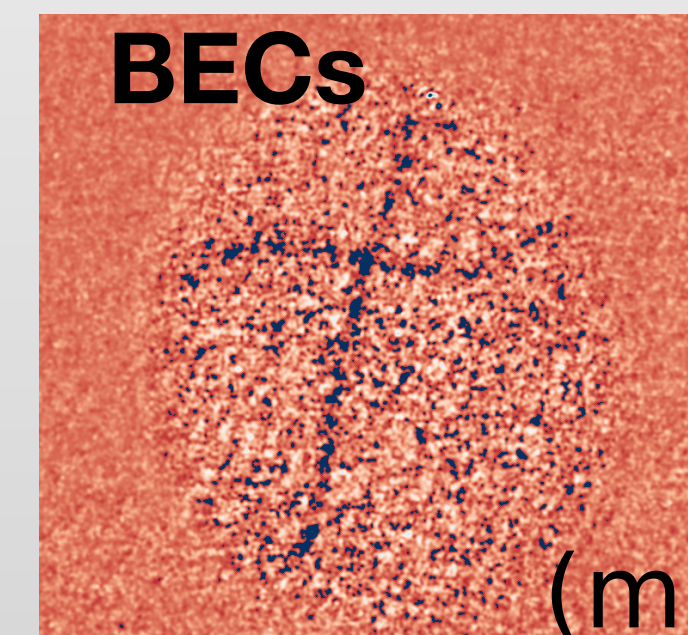
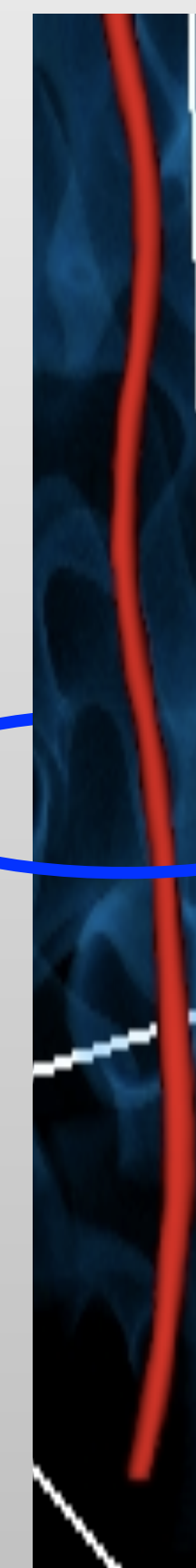
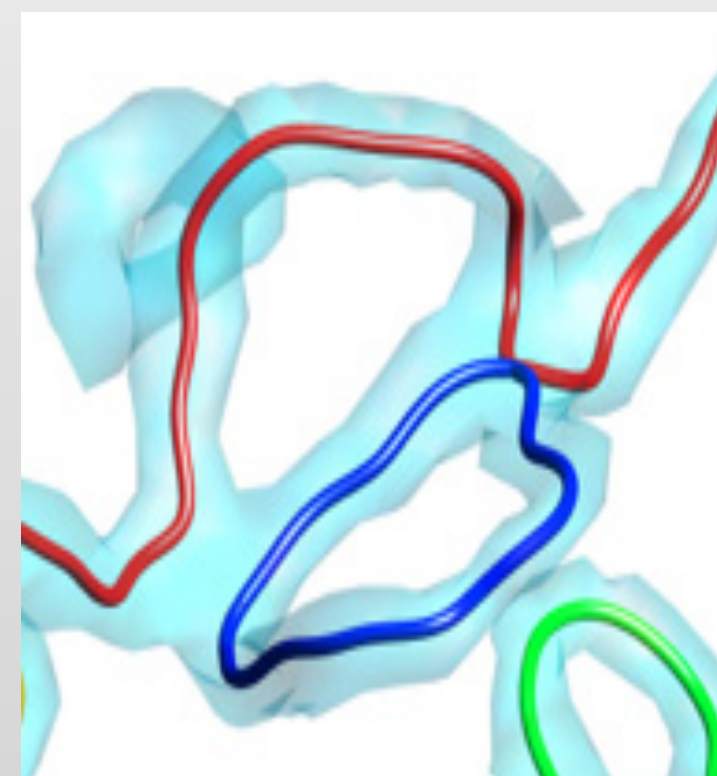
Kelvin wave cascade & vortex reconnections

coherence length
 vortex core size
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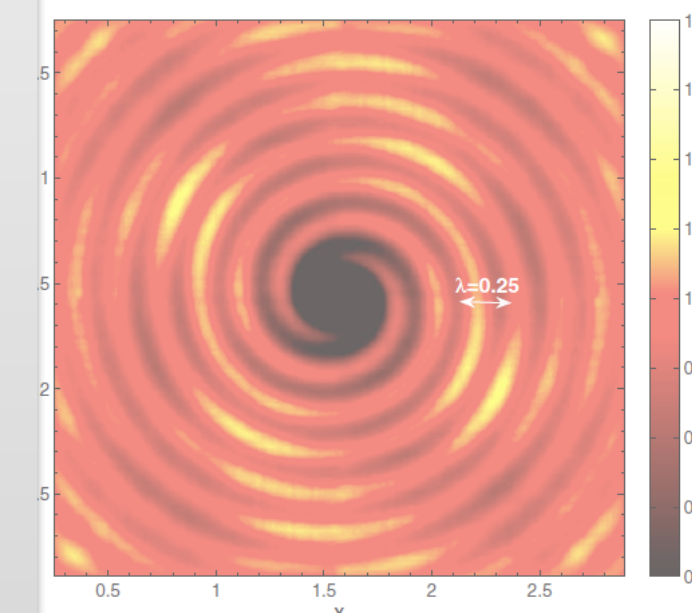
sound emission

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S.Serafini et al. PRL 2015



G. Bewley et al. Nature 2006.

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Kelvin waves

XXIV. *Vibrations of a Columnar Vortex.* By Sir WILLIAM THOMSON*.

THIS is a case of fluid-motion, in which the stream-lines are approximately circles, with their centres in one line (the axis of the vortex) and the velocities approximately constant, and approximately equal at equal distances from the axis. As a preliminary to treating it, it is convenient to express the equations of motion of a homogeneous incompressible

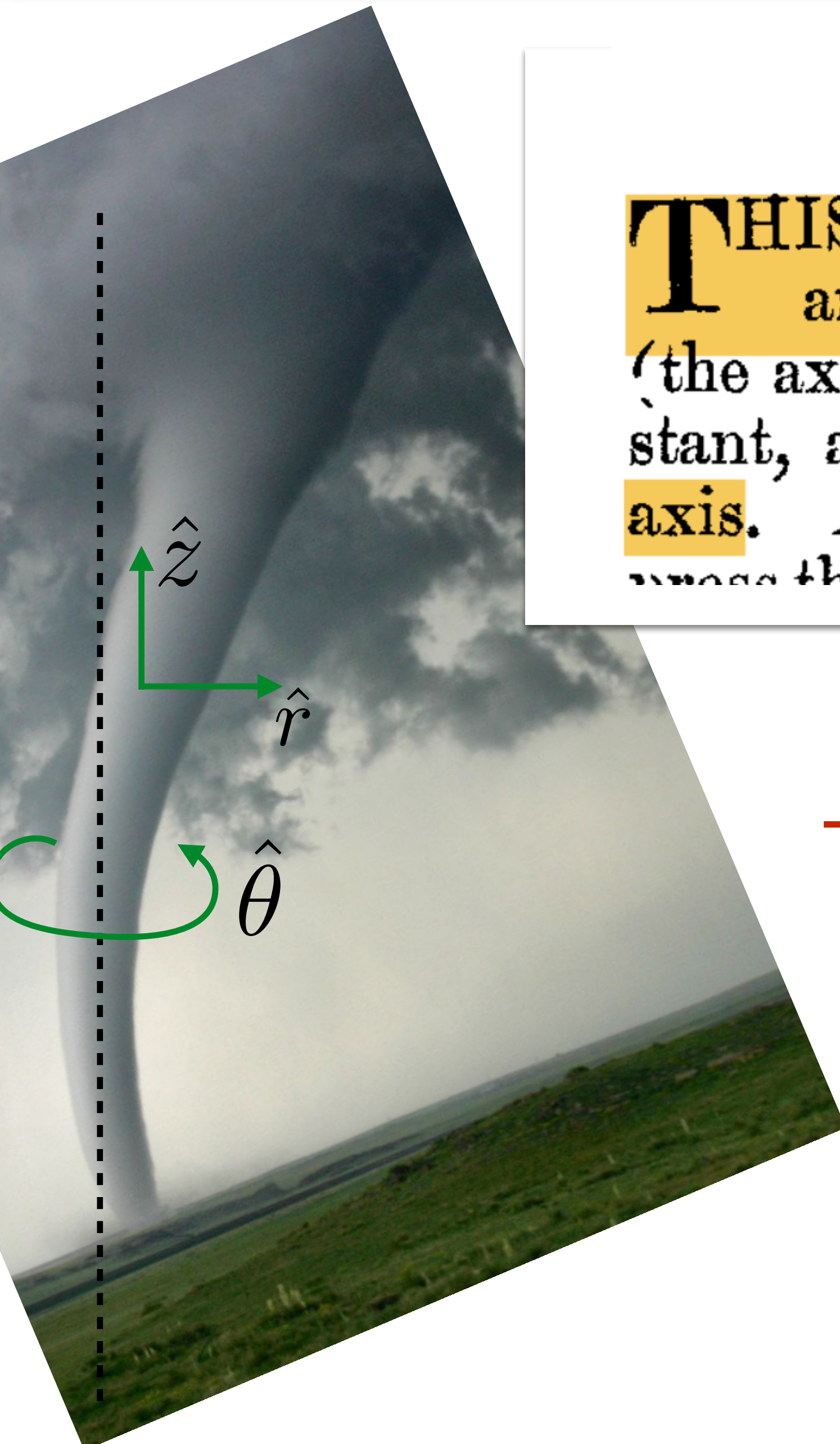
Sir William Thomson (1880) XXIV. *Philosophical Magazine Series 5*, 10:61, 155-168,

Take the incompressible Euler's equations

$$\mathbf{v}_0(r, \theta, z) = \frac{\alpha(r)}{r} \hat{\theta} \quad \text{and} \quad p(r, \theta, z) = p_0(r) = \rho_0 \int_{a_0}^r \frac{\alpha(s)^2}{s^3} ds.$$

$$\Gamma = \oint_C \mathbf{v} \cdot d\ell = 2\pi\alpha(r)$$

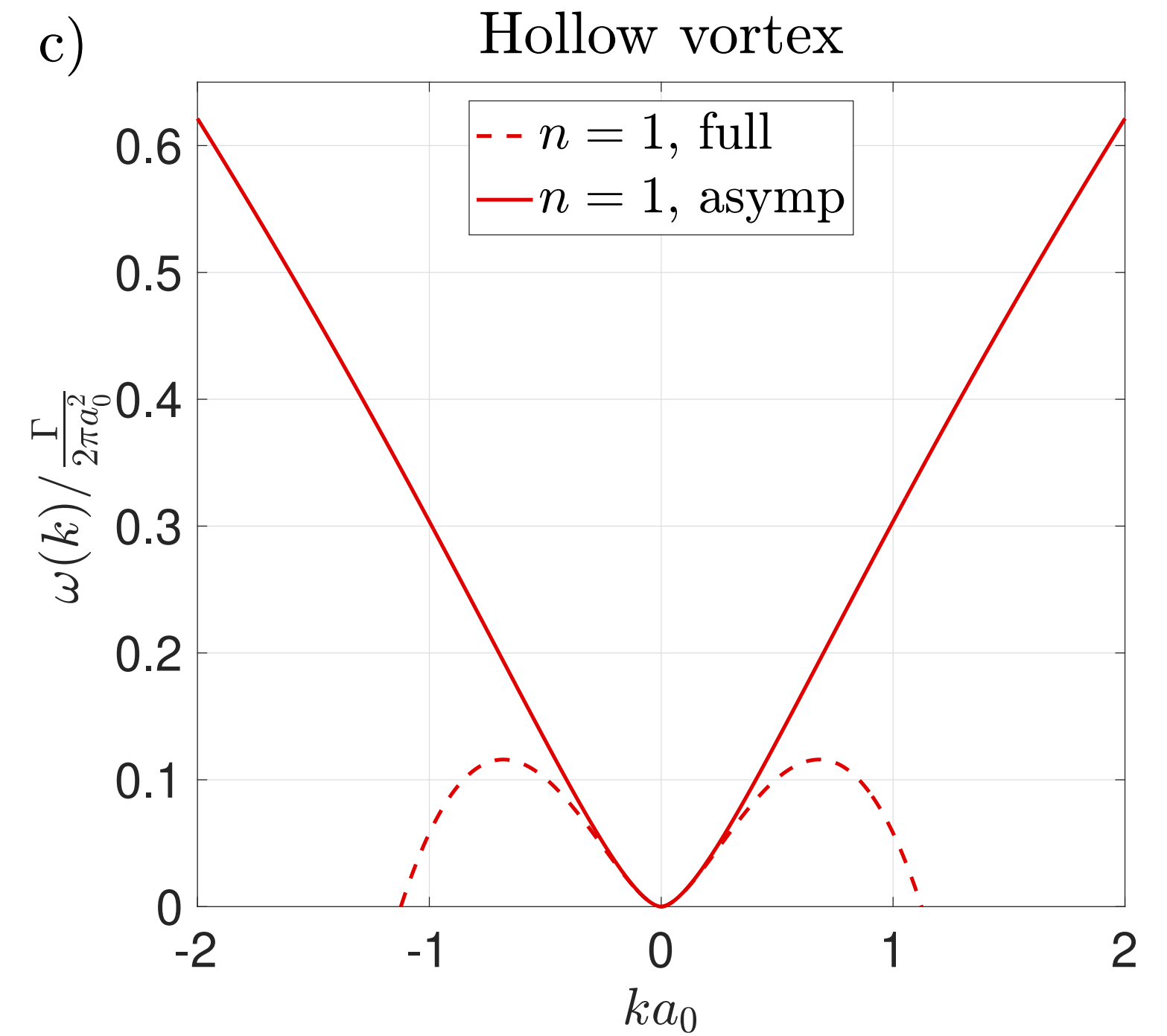
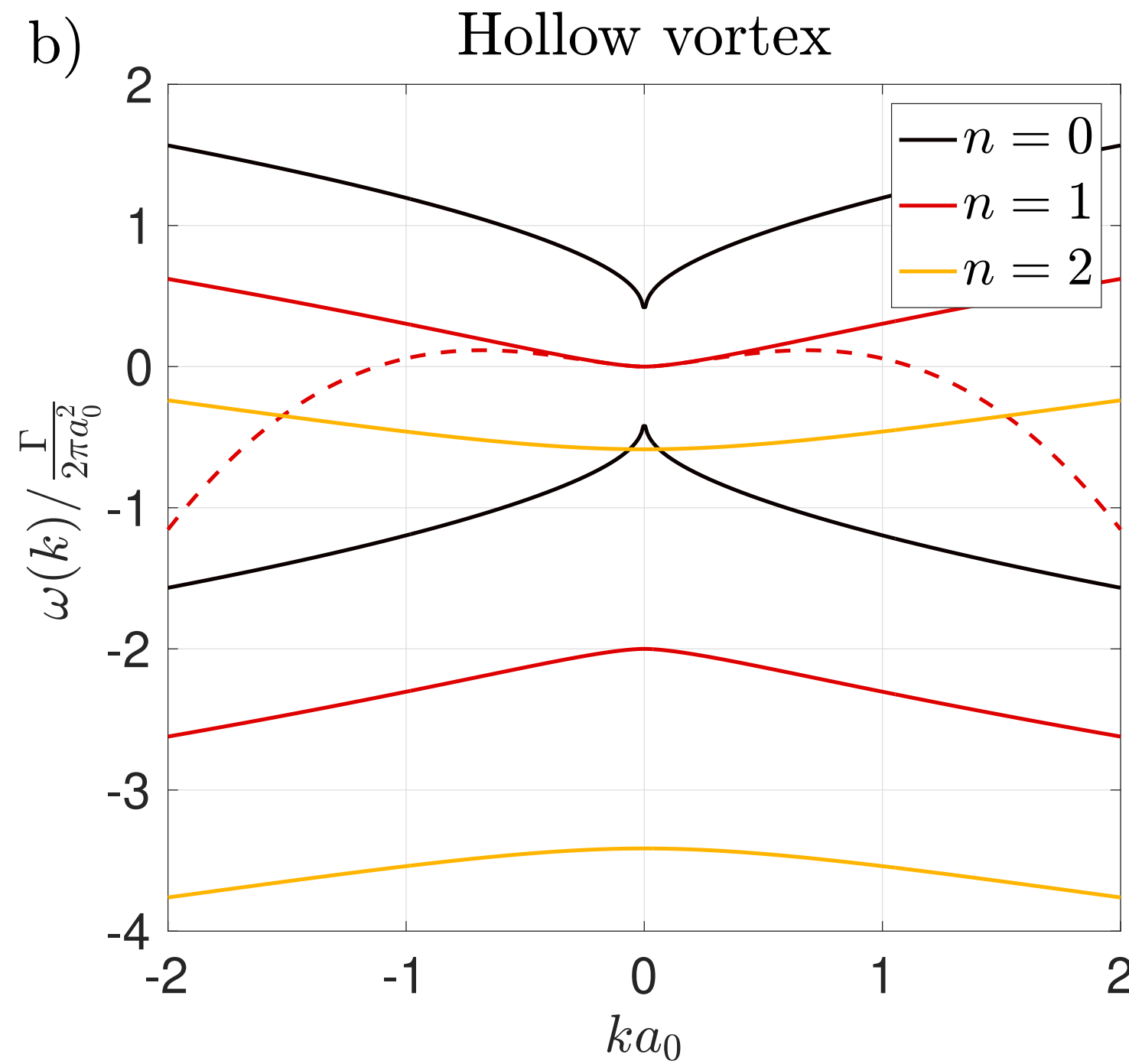
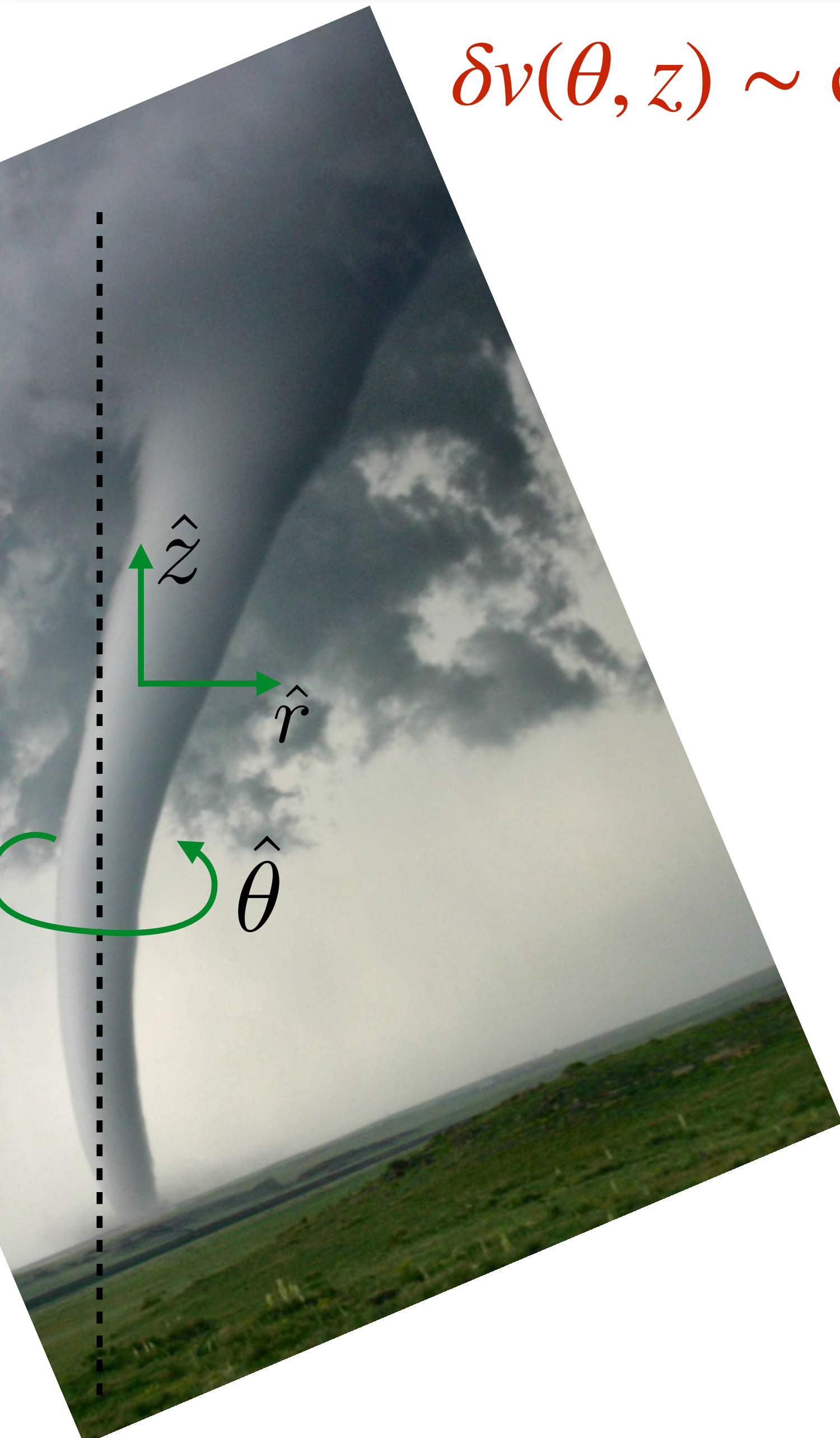
Kelvin Waves : $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 + \delta\mathbf{v} + \dots$



Kelvin waves

$$\delta v(\theta, z) \sim \cos(kz) \sin(n\theta - \omega t)$$

$$\omega_n^\pm(k) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi a_0^2} \left(n \pm \sqrt{n + \frac{a_0 |k| K_{n-1}(a_0 |k|)}{K_n(a_0 |k|)}} \right)$$



$$n = 1 \text{ and } ka_0 \ll 1$$

$$\omega^-(k) = -\frac{\Gamma}{8\pi} k^2 \left(\log \frac{1}{a_0 |k|} + b \right), \text{ with } b = \log 2 - \gamma_E$$

Vortex excitations in superfluids (GP)

P.H. Roberts. Proc. Royal Society of London A:(2003)

Hydrodynamics

$$k \ll \frac{1}{\xi}$$

$$\Omega_{\text{KW}}(ka_0 \rightarrow 0) = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} k^2 \left(\ln \frac{2}{a_0 |k|} - \gamma_E \right)$$

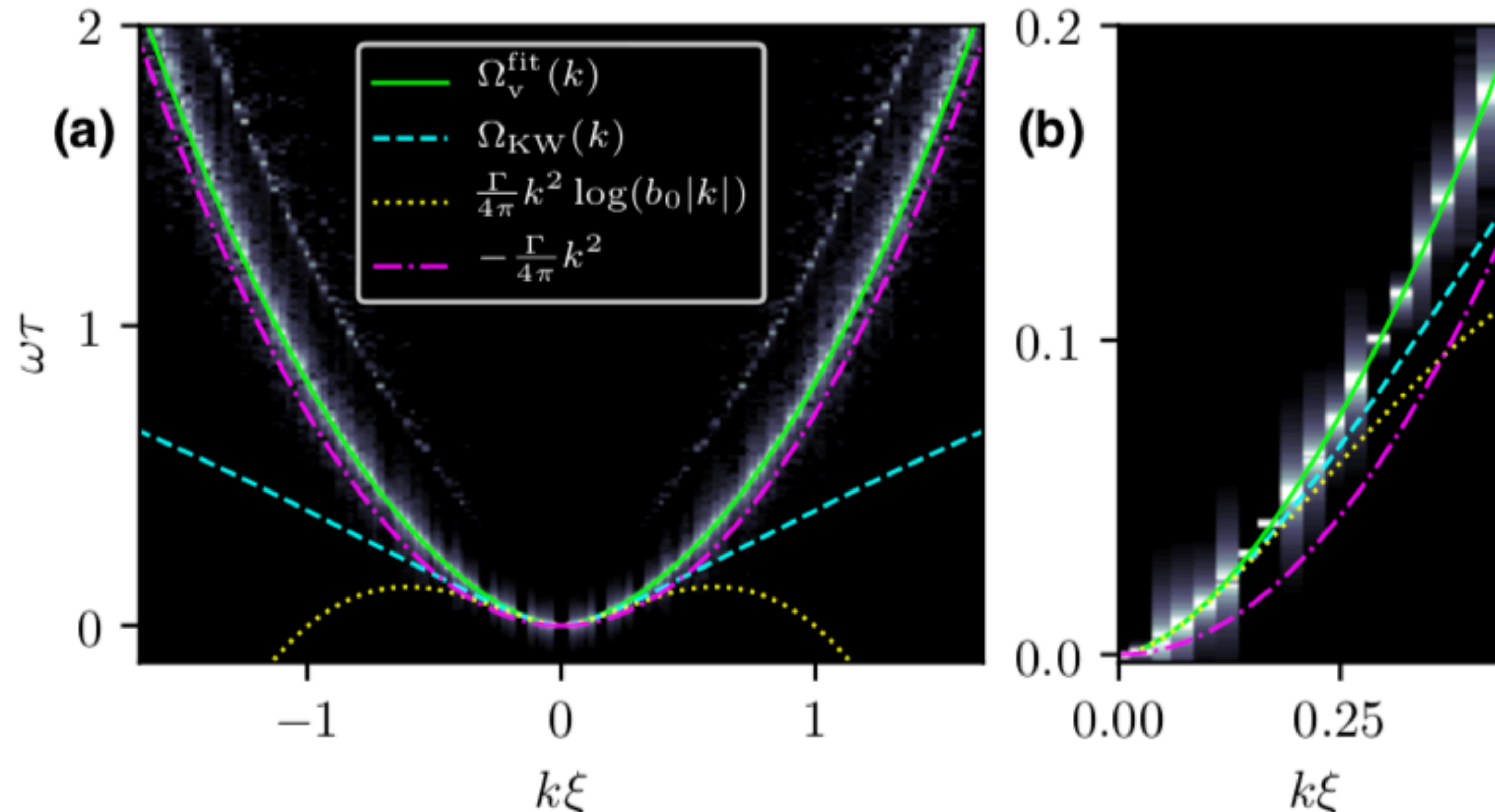
$$a_0 = 1.265\xi$$

$$\frac{1}{\xi} \ll k$$

$$\Omega_v(k) \xrightarrow{k\xi \gg 1} \Omega_B^-(k\xi \rightarrow \infty) = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} k^2$$

Small scales

GP numerical simulations

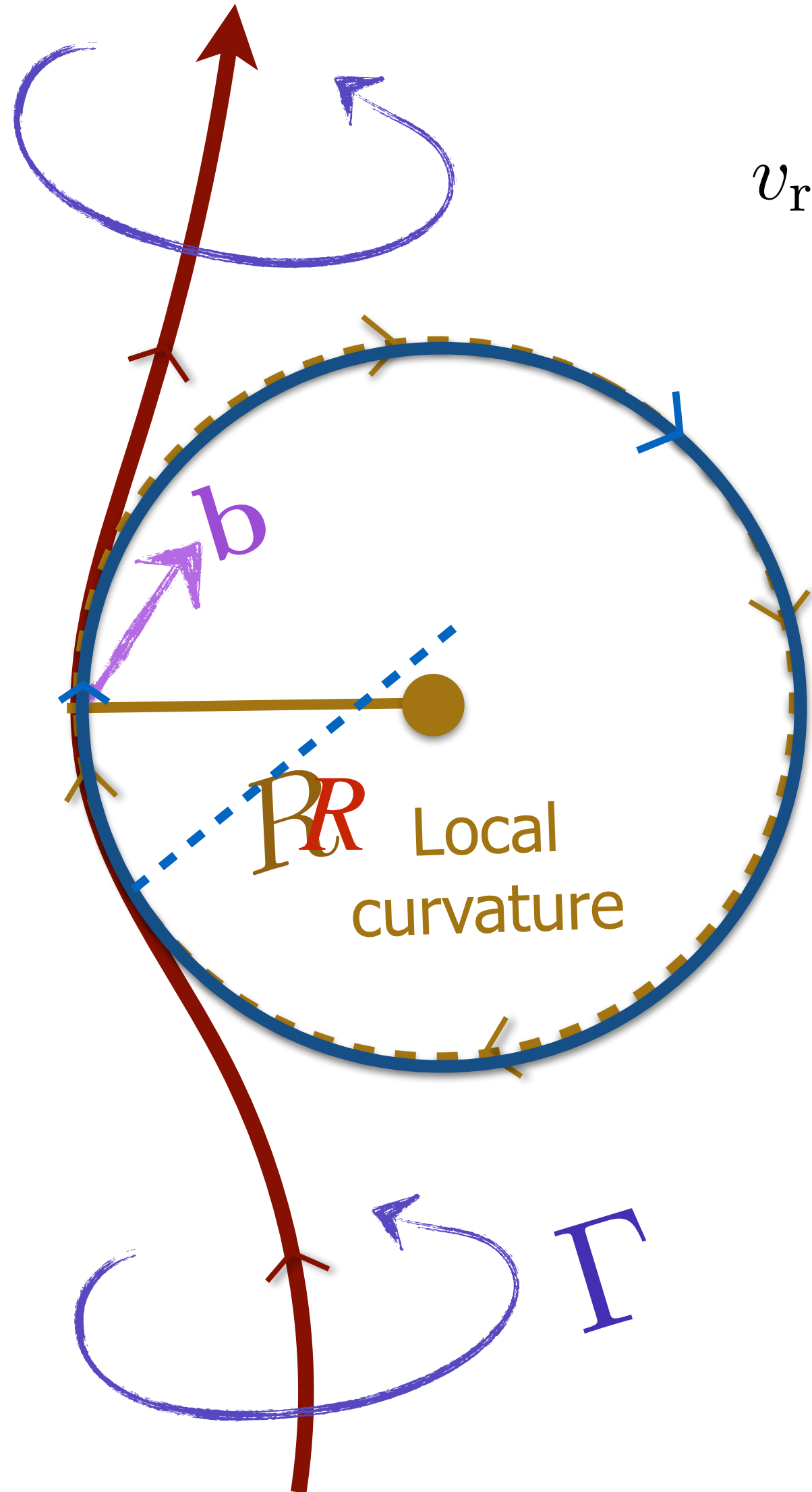


U. Giuriato, G. Krstulovic
and S. Nazarenko.
Phys. Rev. Research (2020)

Vortex excitations in superfluids (LIA)

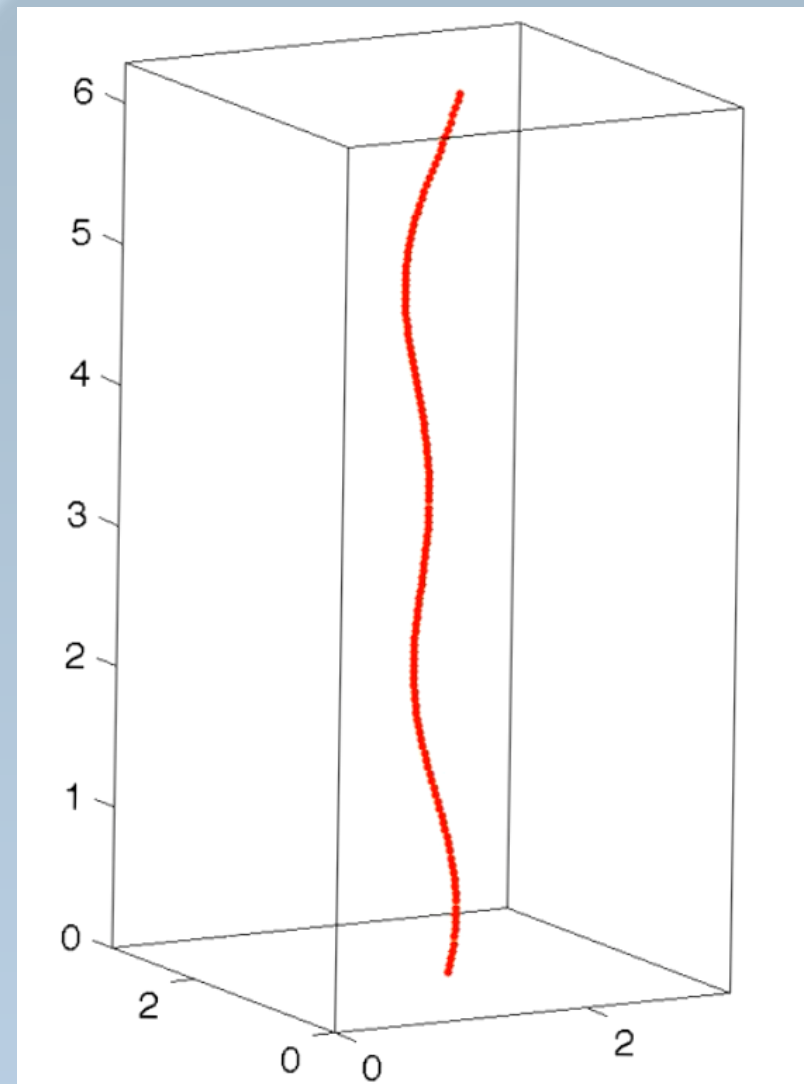
Local Induced Approximation (LIA)

Da Rios, *Rendiconti del Circolo Matematico di Palermo* (1906).



$$v_{\text{ring}} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi R} (\log(R/a_0) - d), \quad d \text{ a core-dependent constant}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{s}} = \frac{\Gamma\Lambda}{4\pi R} \hat{\mathbf{b}} = \frac{\Gamma\Lambda}{4\pi} \mathbf{s}' \times \mathbf{s}''$$



Small amplitudes Kelvin waves

$$s(z, t) = X(z, t) + iY(z, t)$$

$$i\Gamma\dot{\mathbf{s}} = \frac{\delta H_{\text{LIA}}}{\delta s^*} = -\frac{\Gamma^2\Lambda}{4\pi} \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial z^2}, \quad \text{with } H_{\text{LIA}} = \frac{\Gamma^2\Lambda}{4\pi} \int \left| \frac{\partial s}{\partial z} \right|^2 dz$$

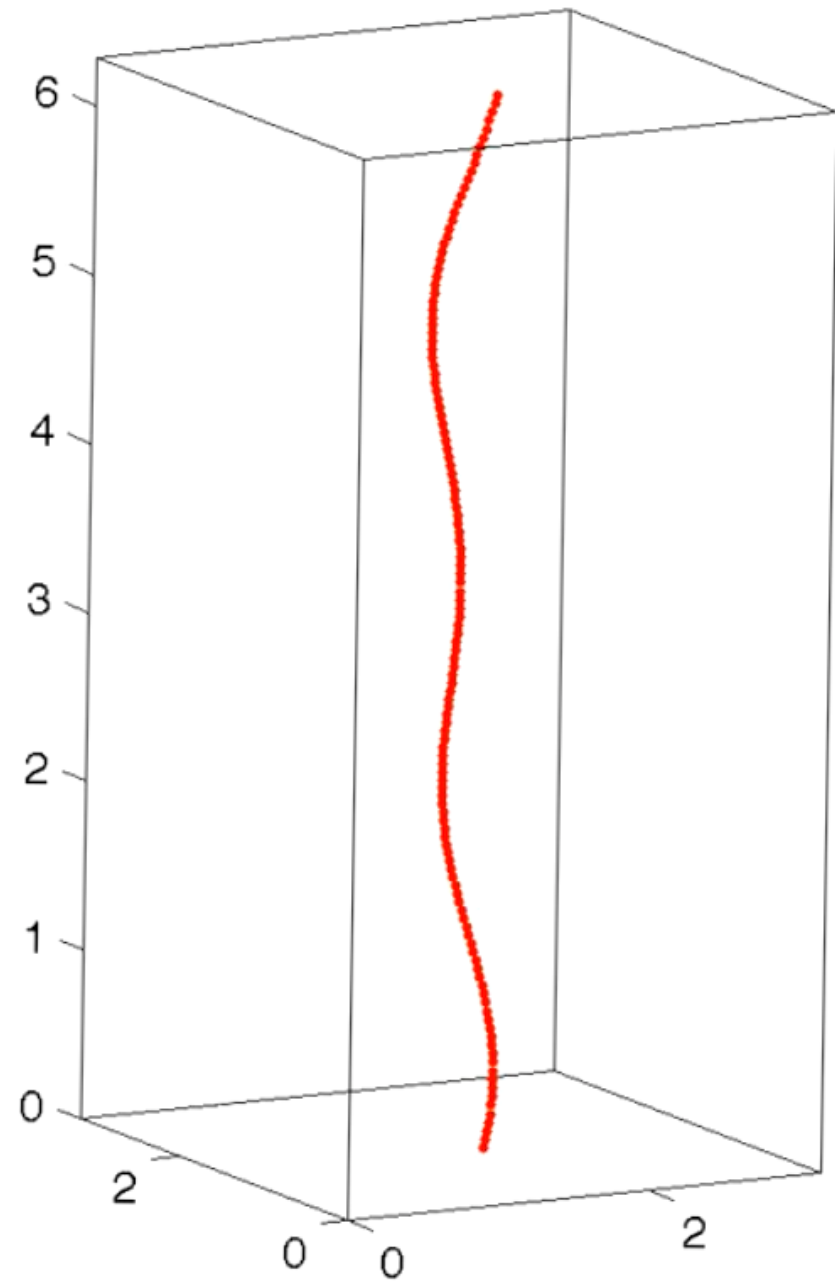
$$\omega_{\text{LIA}}(k) = -\frac{\Gamma\Lambda}{4\pi} k^2$$

Kelvin-wave cascade

Vortex filament model

Biot-Savart description of a perturbed straight vortex

[Sonin 87 - Svistunov 95]



$$s(z, t) = X(z, t) + iY(z, t)$$

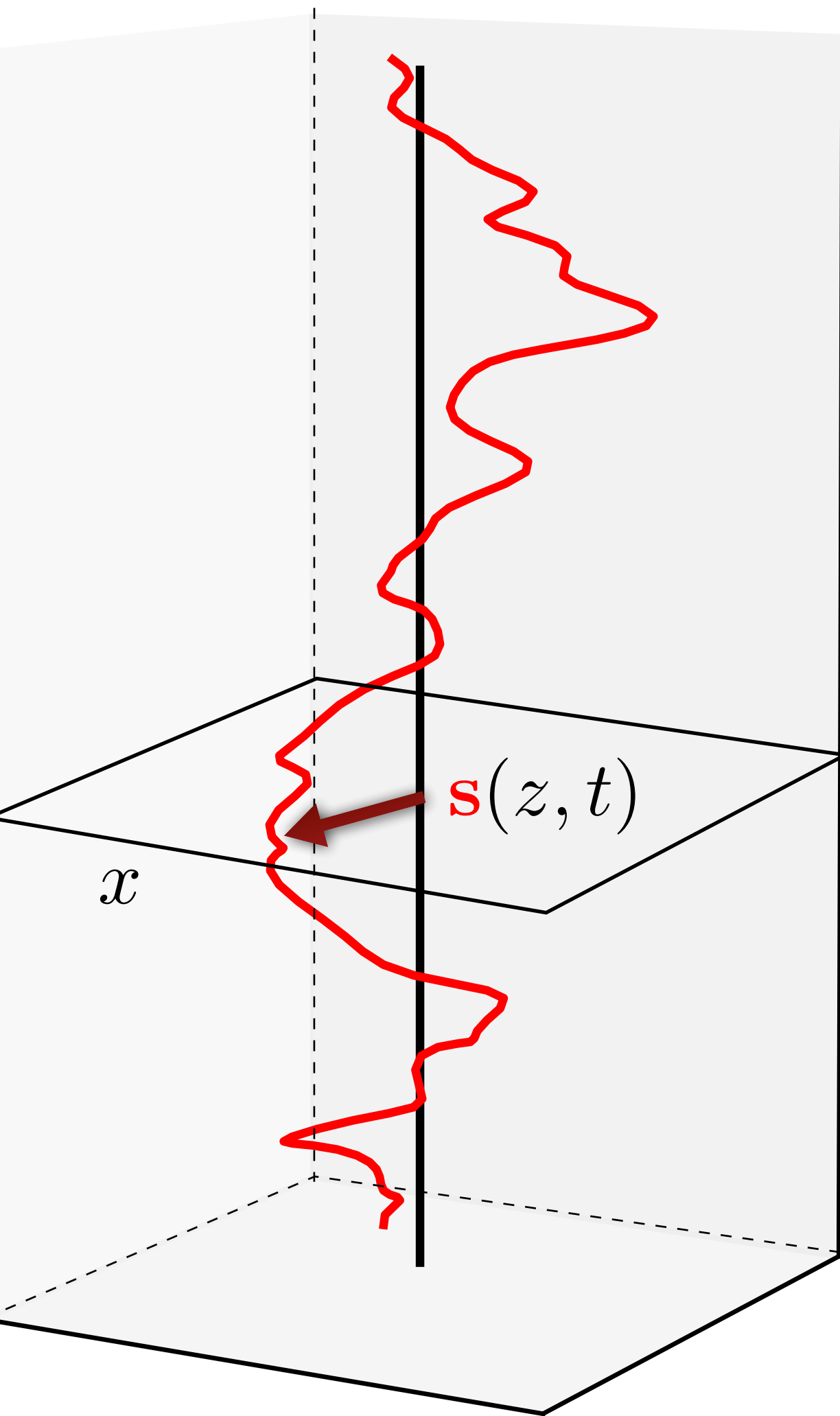
$$i\Gamma \dot{s}(z) = \frac{\delta H_{\text{NL}}}{\delta s^*(z)}, \quad H_{\text{NL}} = \frac{\Gamma^2}{4\pi} \int \frac{1 + \text{Re}[s'^*(z_1)s'(z_2)]}{\sqrt{(z_1 - z_2)^2 + |s(z_1) - s(z_2)|^2}} dz_1 dz_2$$

Small amplitude waves:

$$H_{\text{NL}} = \sum_k \omega_k |s_k|^2 + H_4 + H_6 + \dots$$

$$\omega_k = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} k^2 (\log(k\ell) - \Lambda)$$

Vortex motion and Kelvin wave cascade



Kelvin waves

Helicoidal displacement of
vortex filament

$$s(z, t) = X(z, t) + iY(z, t)$$

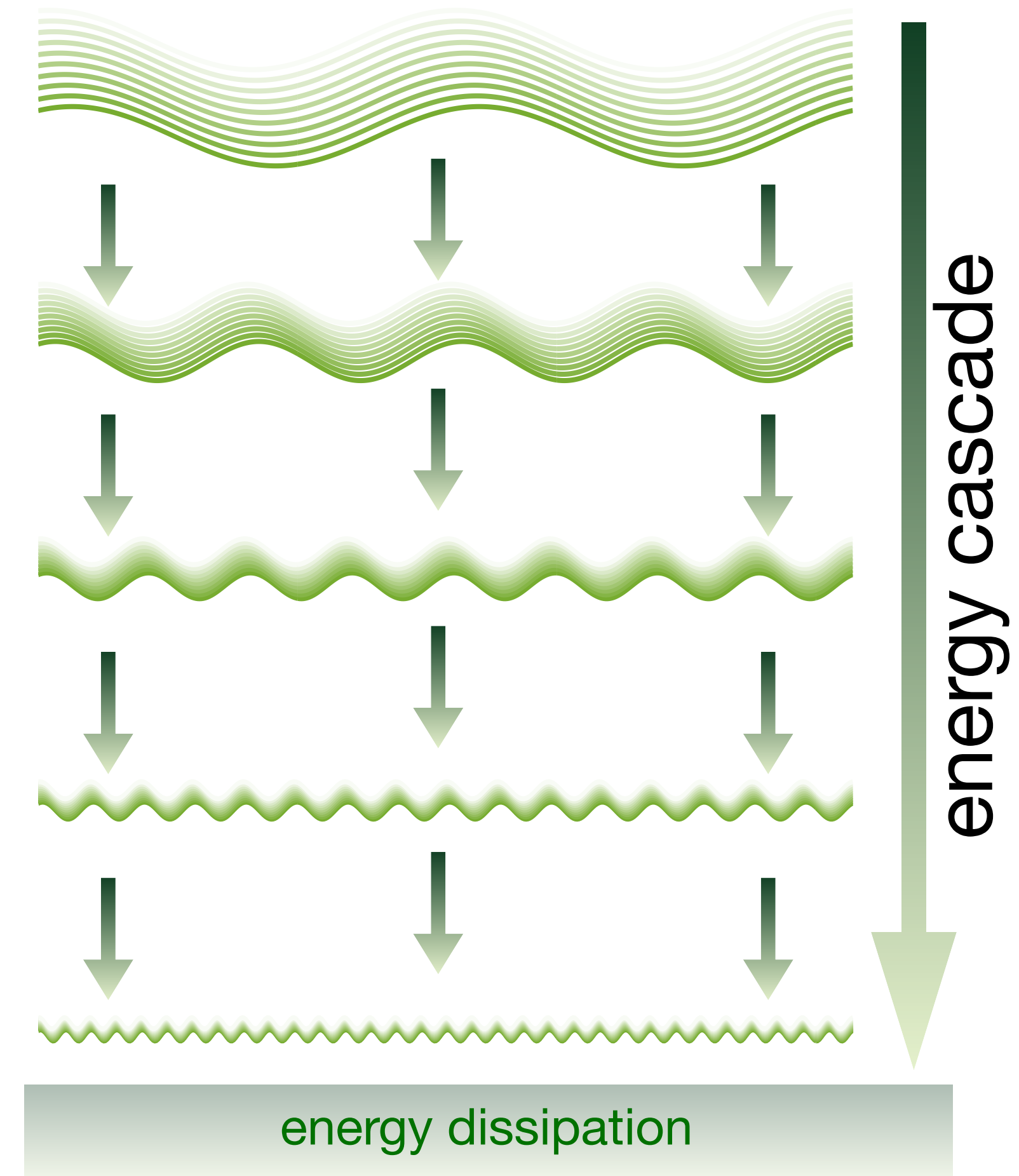
1D dispersive non-linear
wave dynamics

$$i \frac{\partial \hat{s}_k}{\partial t} = \omega_k \hat{s}_k + \text{NL}[\hat{s}_k]$$

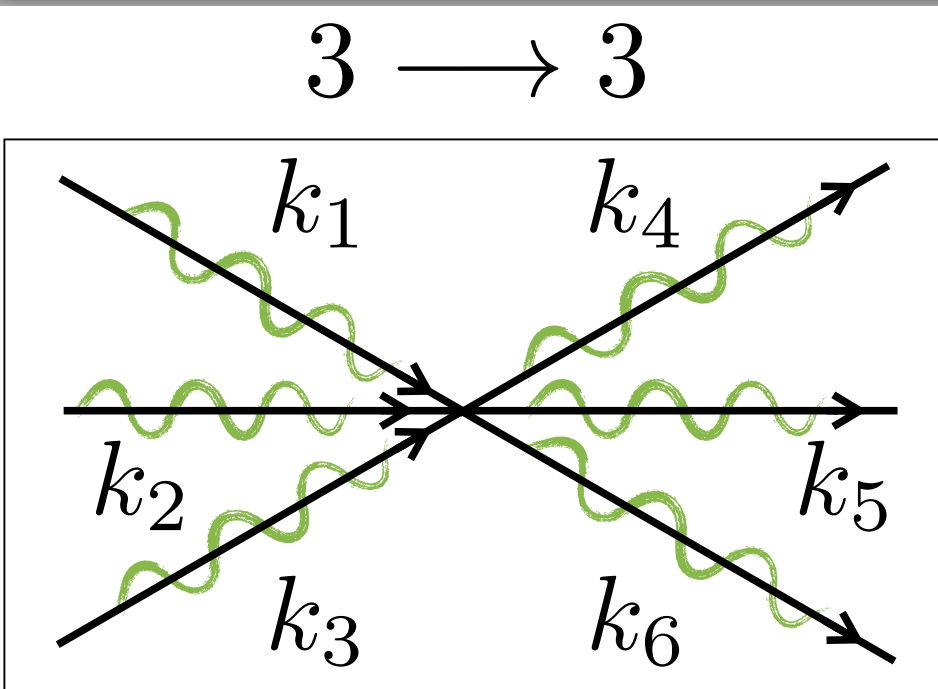
$$\omega_k \underset{k\xi \ll 1}{\sim} \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} k^2 (\log k\xi + c)$$

$$n_k = |s_k|^2$$

$$E(k) = \omega_k n_k \propto \epsilon^\alpha k^{-\gamma} ?$$

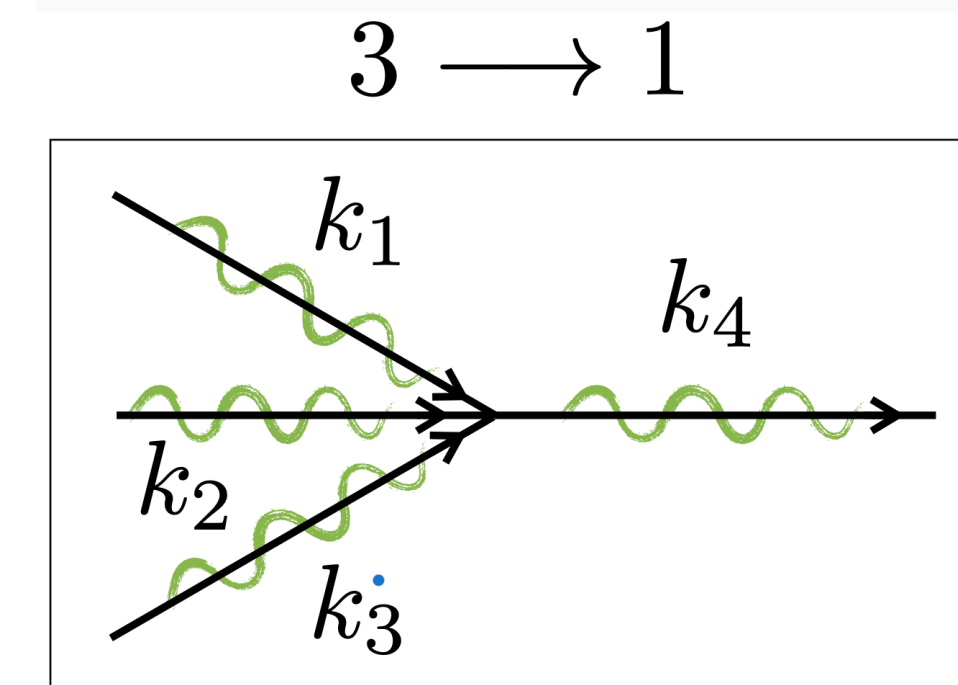


Wave turbulence predictions



$$H_{\text{NL}} = \sum_k \omega_k |s_k|^2 + \cancel{H_4} + H_6 + \dots$$

non-resonant



Kozik-Svistunov (2004) :
(6 waves)

$$E_{\text{KS}}(k) = C_{\text{KS}} \frac{\Lambda \kappa^{7/5} \epsilon^{1/5}}{k^{7/5}}$$

$$\Lambda = \ln(\ell/a)$$

a (wave-turbulence)
controversy!!

L'vov-Nazarenko (2010):
(effective 4 wave theory)

$$E_{\text{LN}}(k) = C_{\text{LN}} \frac{\Lambda \kappa \epsilon^{1/3}}{\Psi^{2/3} k^{5/3}}, \quad \Psi \equiv \frac{8\pi E}{\Lambda \kappa^2}$$

$$C_{\text{LN}} = 0.304$$

- Kivotides, Vassilicos, Samuel, Barenghi PRL 2001
- E. Kozik & B. Svistunov. PRL 2004
- L'vov & Nazarenko JETP 2010
- Boué et al PRB 2011
- Laurie and Baggaley PRE 2014
- many others works...

Vinen et al.:

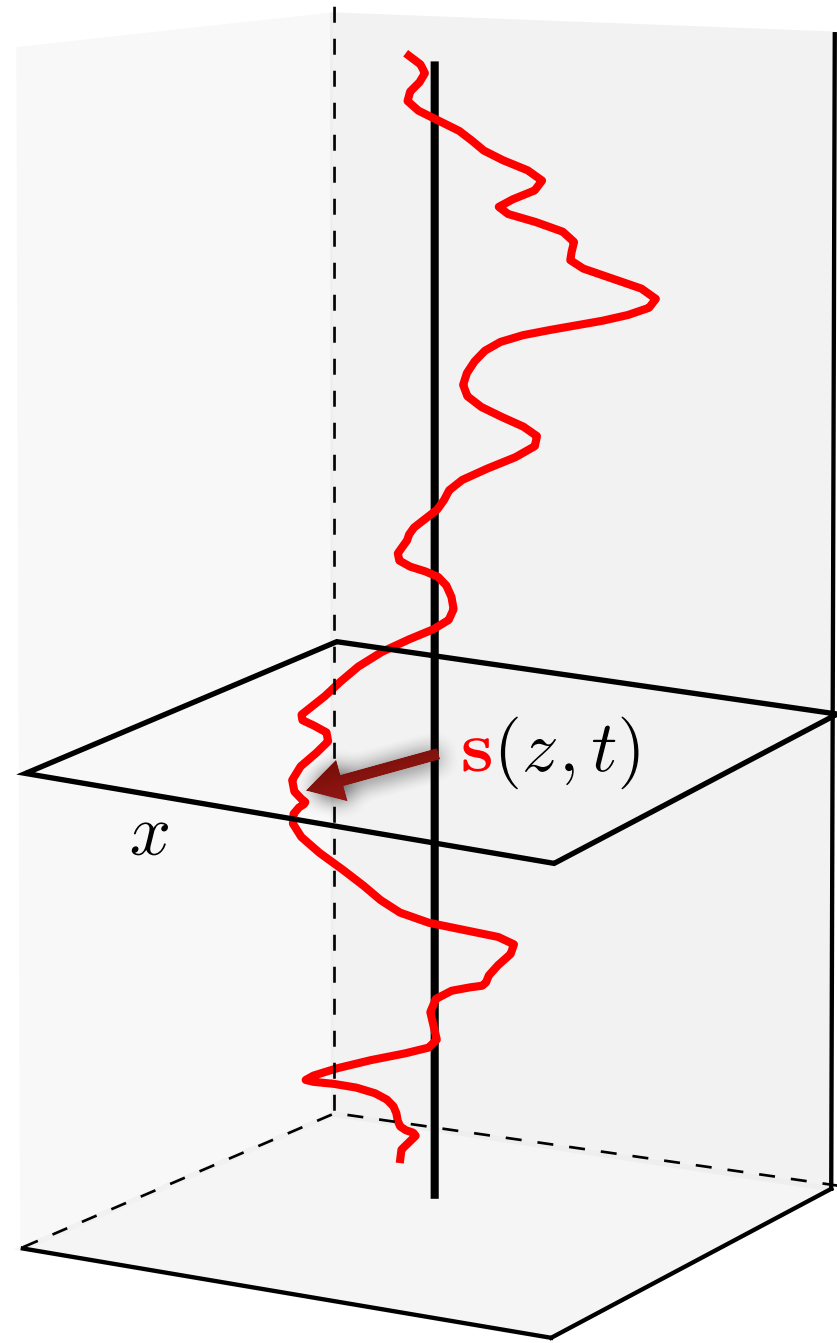
(PRL 2003, J. Phys.: Condens. Matt. 2005)

$$E_{\text{C.B.}}(k) \sim k^{-1}$$

Kelvin-wave cascade

Numerical simulations

We consider a perturbed straight vortex:



Biot-Savart dynamics:

$$i\Gamma\dot{\mathbf{s}}(z) = \frac{\delta H_{\text{NL}}}{\delta \mathbf{s}^*(z)}, \quad H_{\text{NL}} = \frac{\Gamma^2}{4\pi} \int \frac{1 + \text{Re}[s'^*(z_1)s'(z_2)]}{\sqrt{(z_1 - z_2)^2 + |s(z_1) - s(z_2)|^2}} dz_1 dz_2$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{s}}(\zeta) = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \oint \frac{d\mathbf{s}(\zeta') \times (\mathbf{s}(\zeta) - \mathbf{s}(\zeta'))}{|\mathbf{s}(\zeta) - \mathbf{s}(\zeta')|^3}$$

Non-local equation, needs to be regularised, dissipation is added in an ad-hoc manner

Gross-Pitaevskii dynamics:

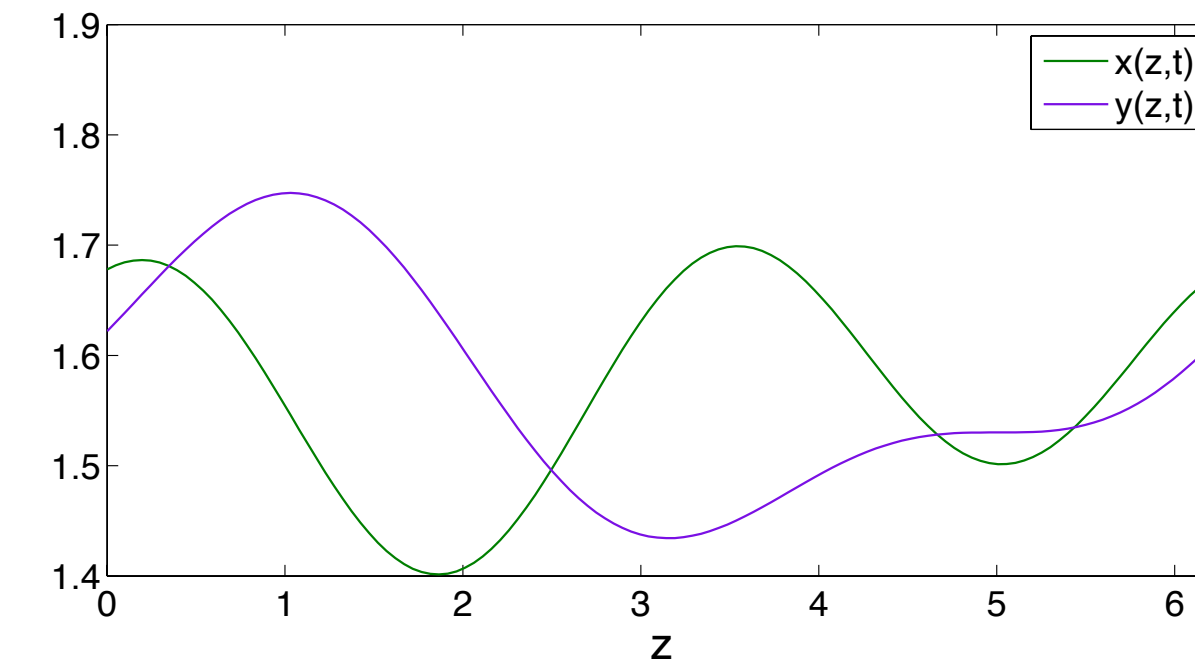
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + g|\psi|^2 \psi,$$

3D PDE but everything is regular. Effective dissipation is provided by acoustic emission.

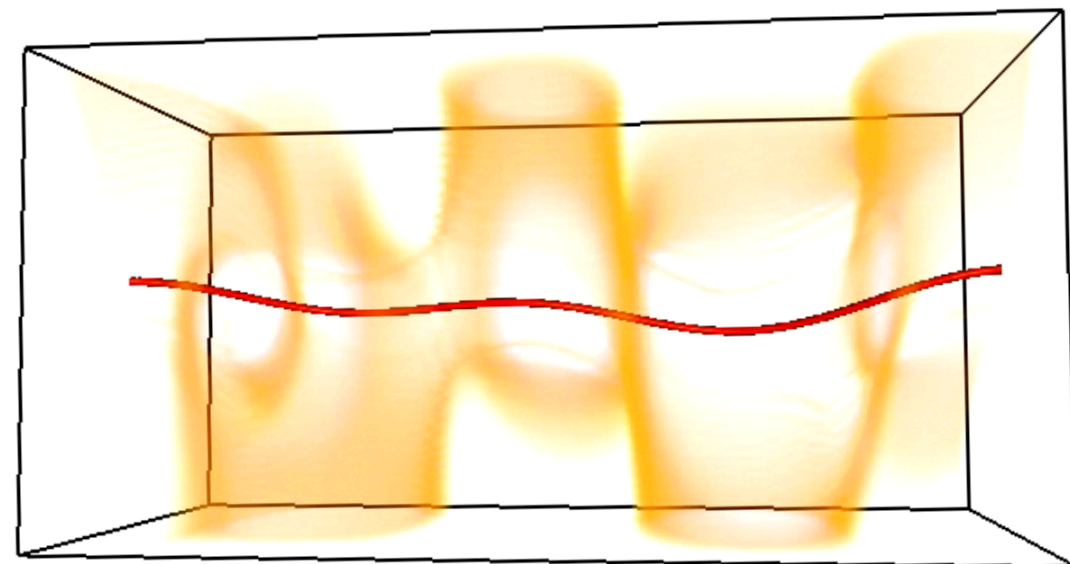
One gets $\psi(x, y, z, t)$ but we need a filament $\mathbf{s}(z, t)$!

Tracking vortices

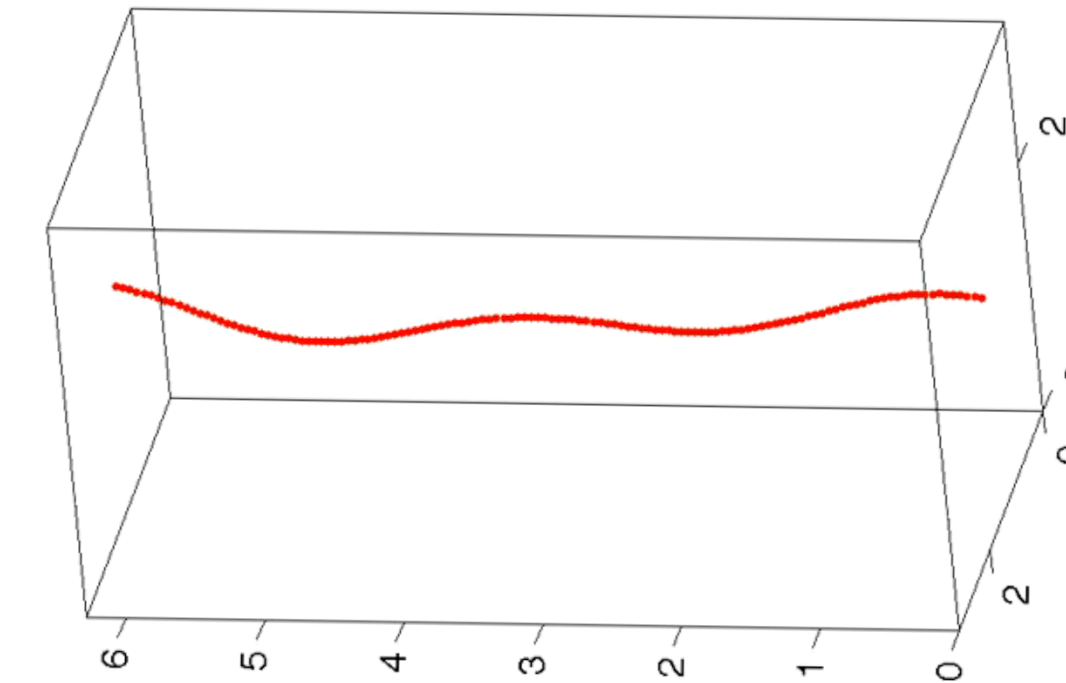
$$\psi(x, y, z, t) = 0 \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{Newton method} \\ + \\ \text{Fourier interpolation}}} \begin{matrix} x(z, t) \\ y(z, t) \end{matrix}$$



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PRE 86, 055301(R), (2012)

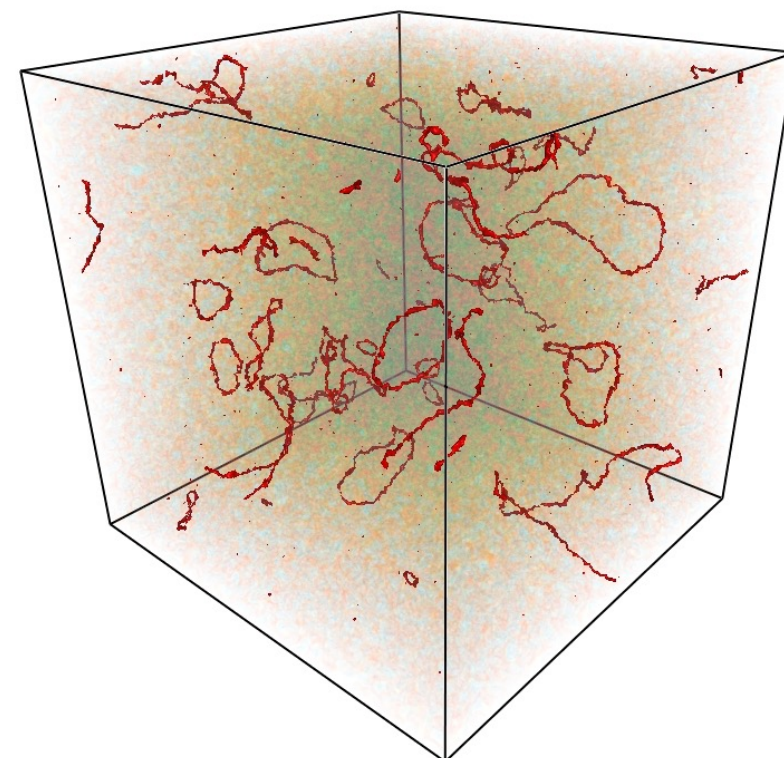


tracking

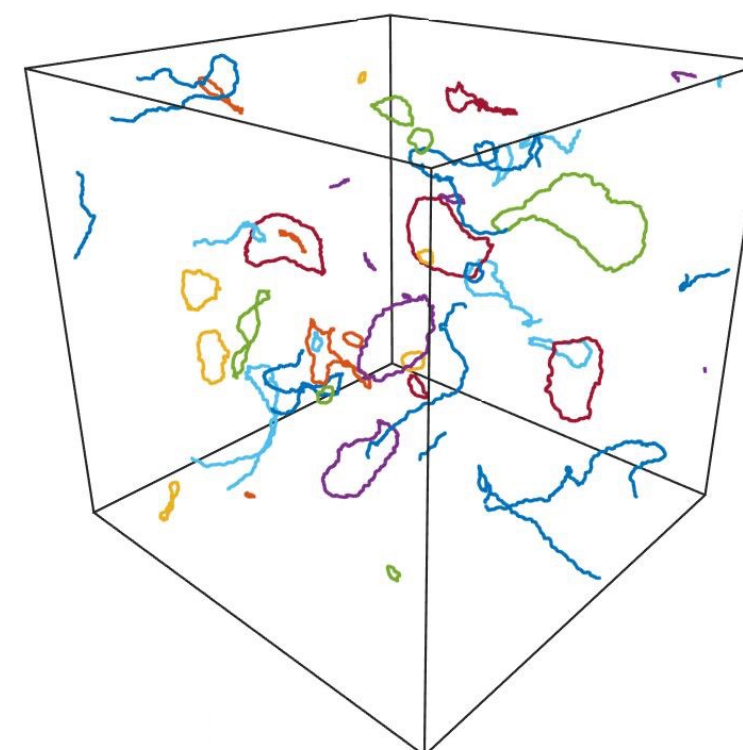


Isosurface

Tracked lines



tracking



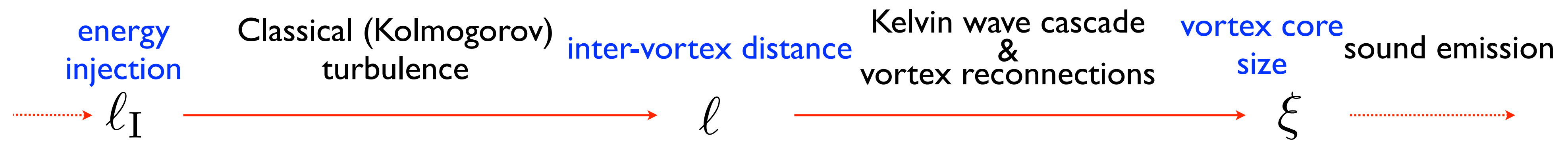
$$|\psi(\mathbf{x})|^2 \approx 0$$

$$\{\mathbf{R}_1(s), \mathbf{R}_2(s), \dots\}$$

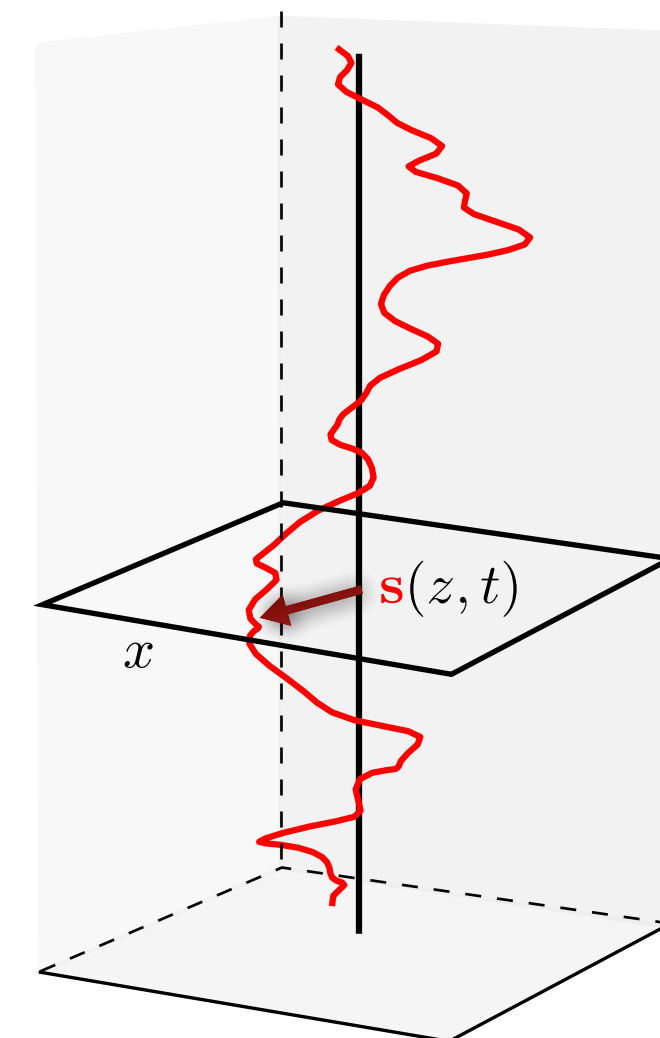
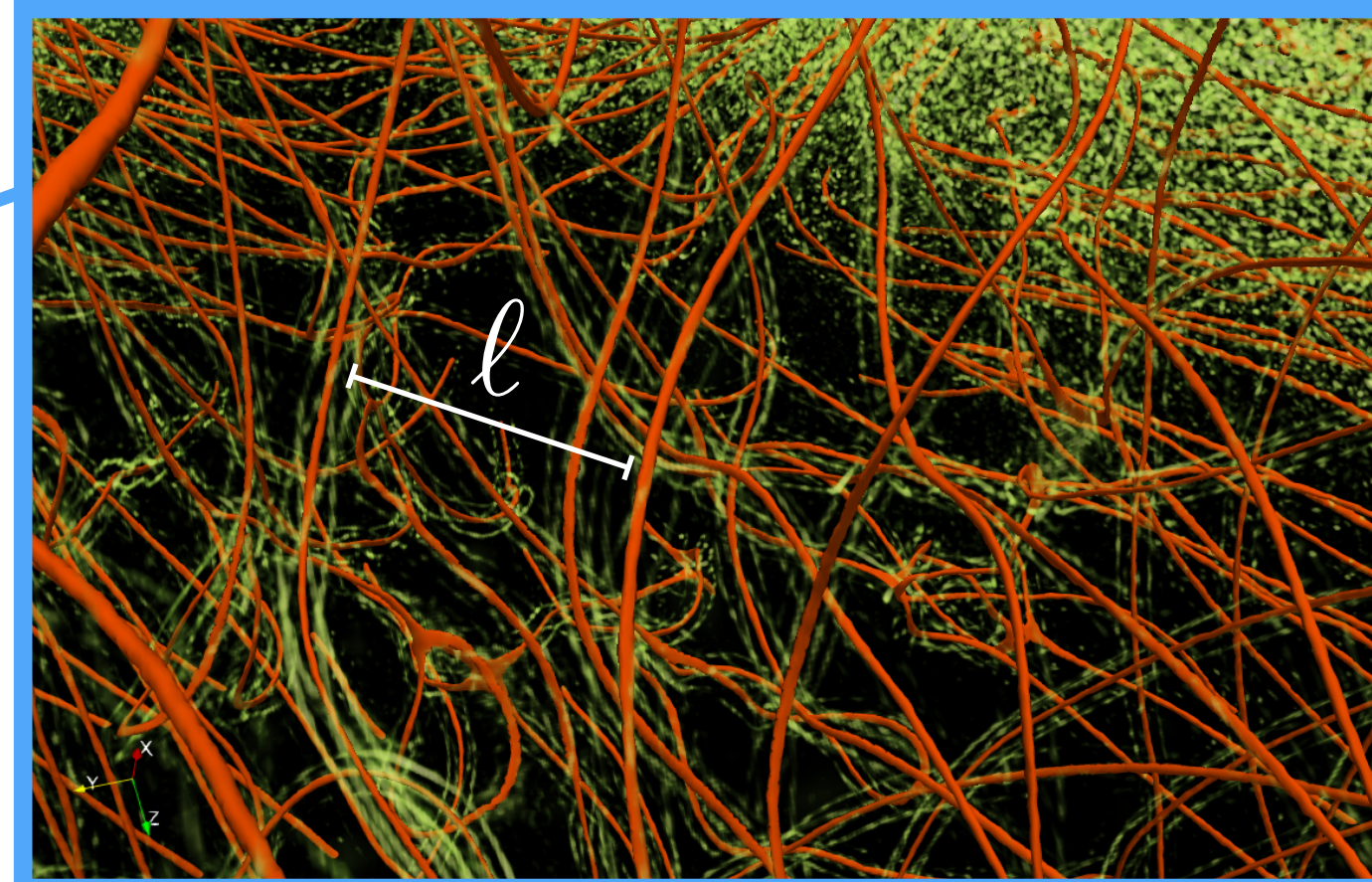
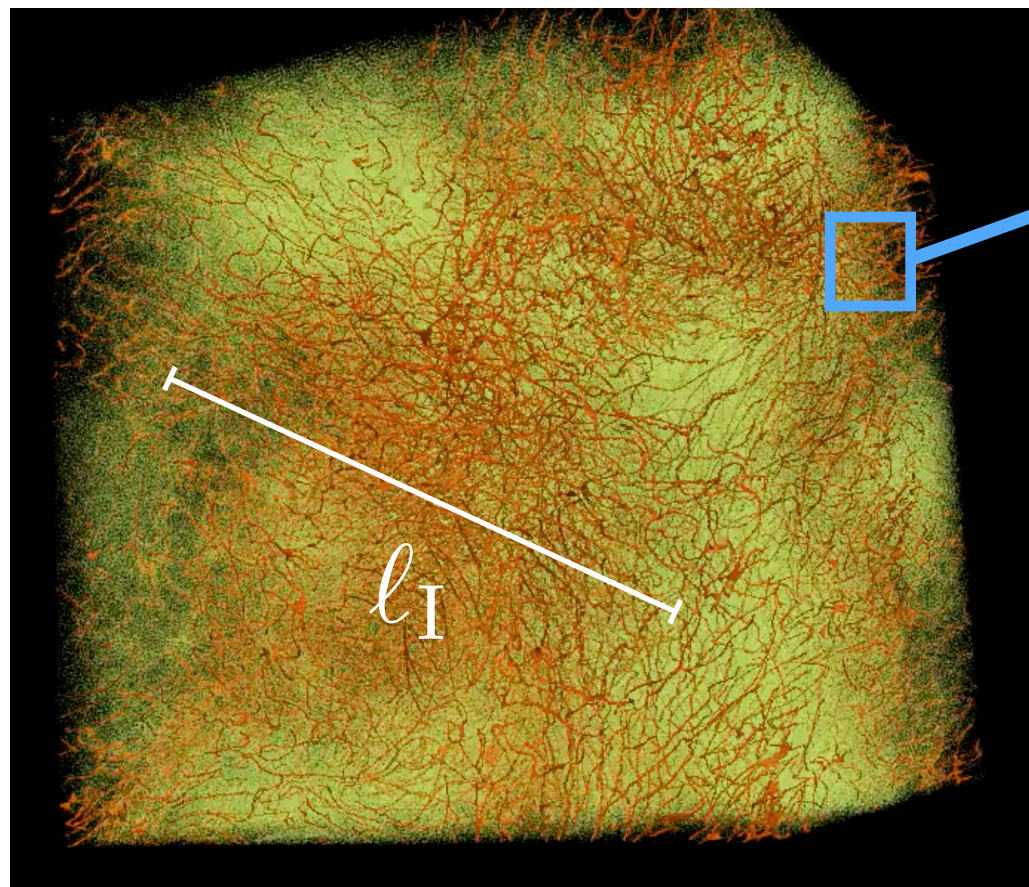
- Highly accurate (spectral precision)
- Geometry independent
- Arbitrary number of objects

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Superfluid turbulence



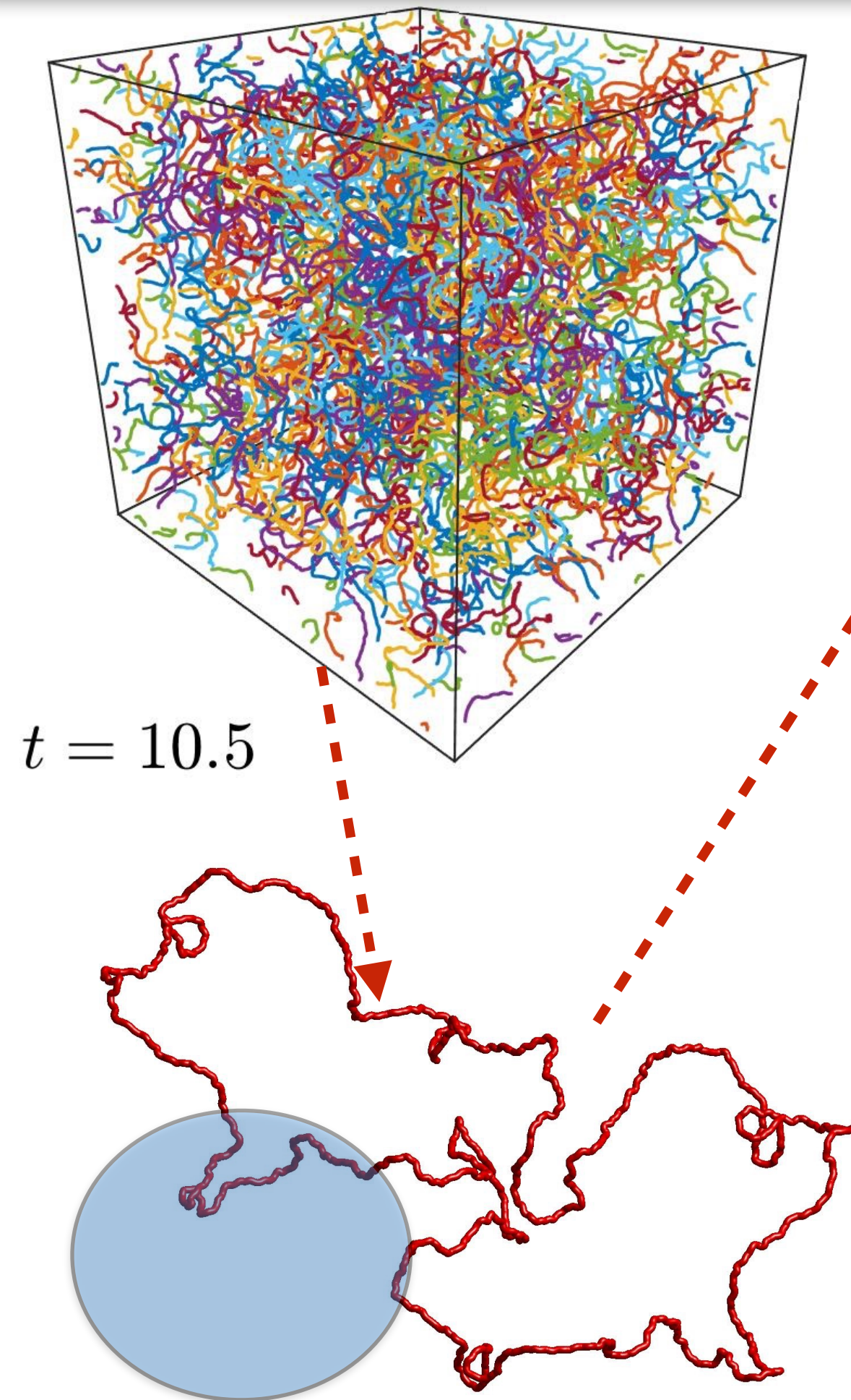
Is the Kelvin wave cascade relevant for a turbulent tangle?



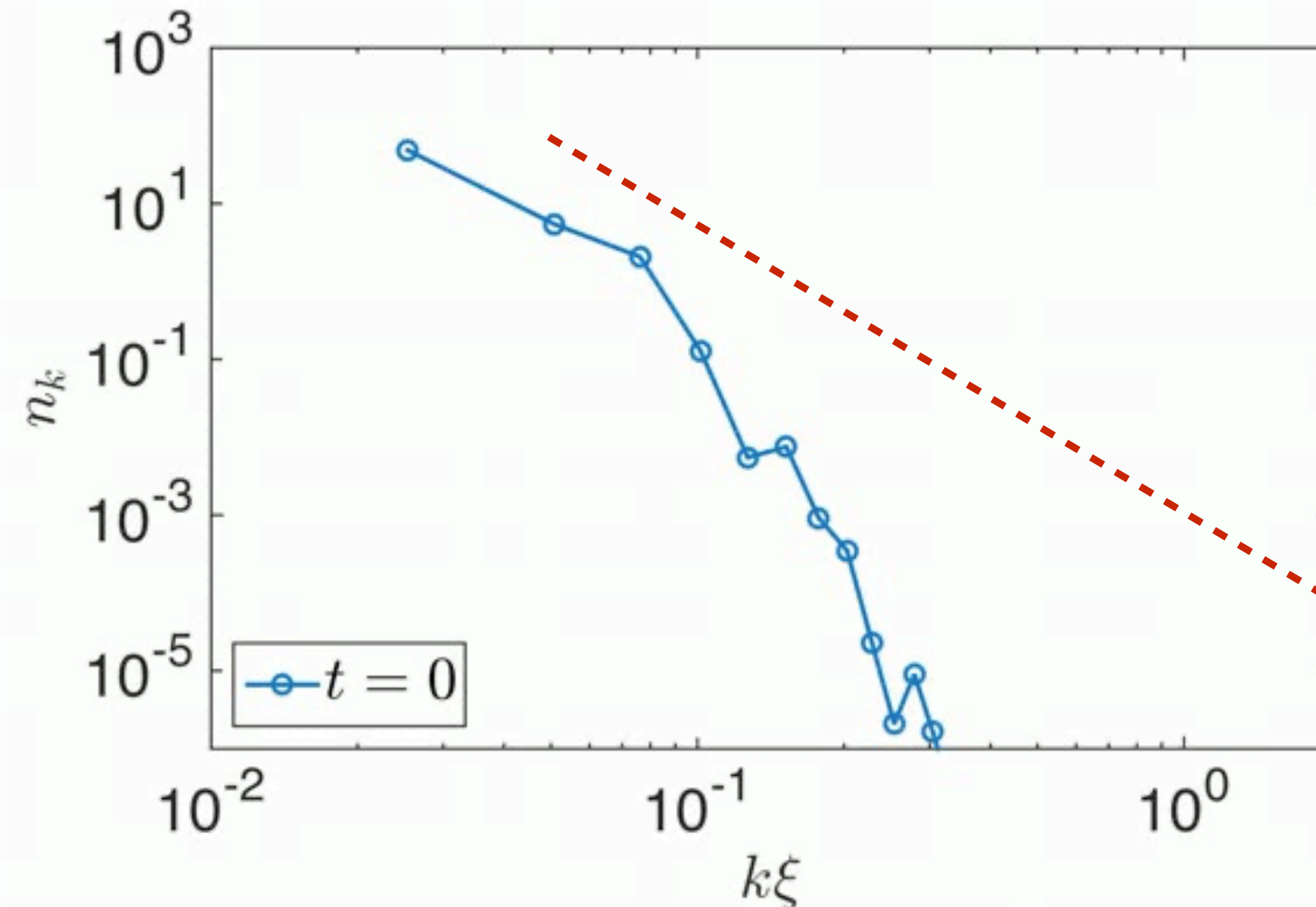
Quantum turbulence

Kelvin waves in a turbulent tangle

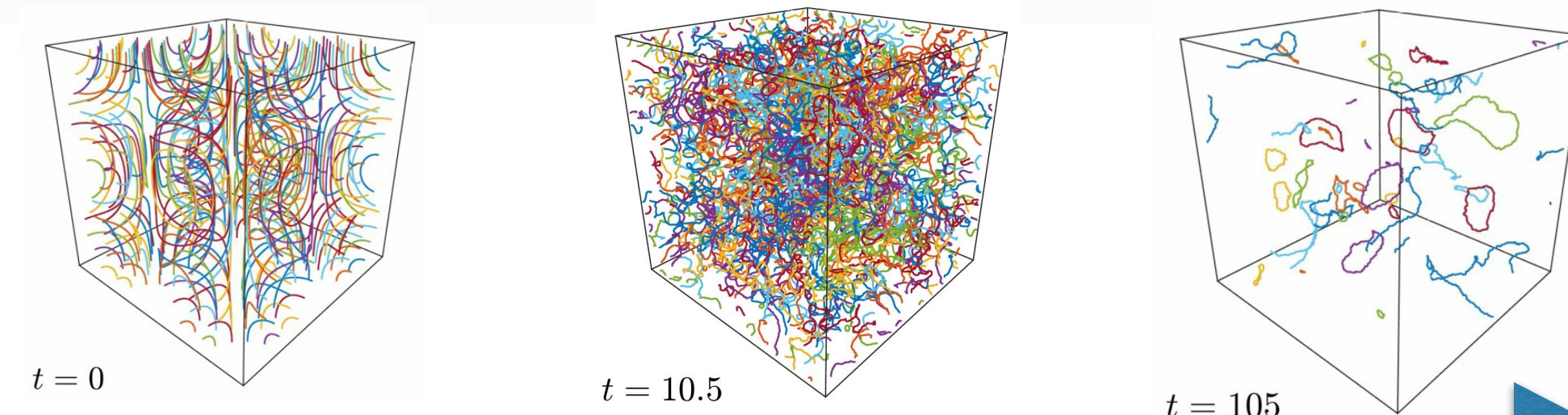
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G. Krstulovic. PRE 2016



$$n_k = |\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{\text{KW}}(k)|^2$$



Kelvin waves



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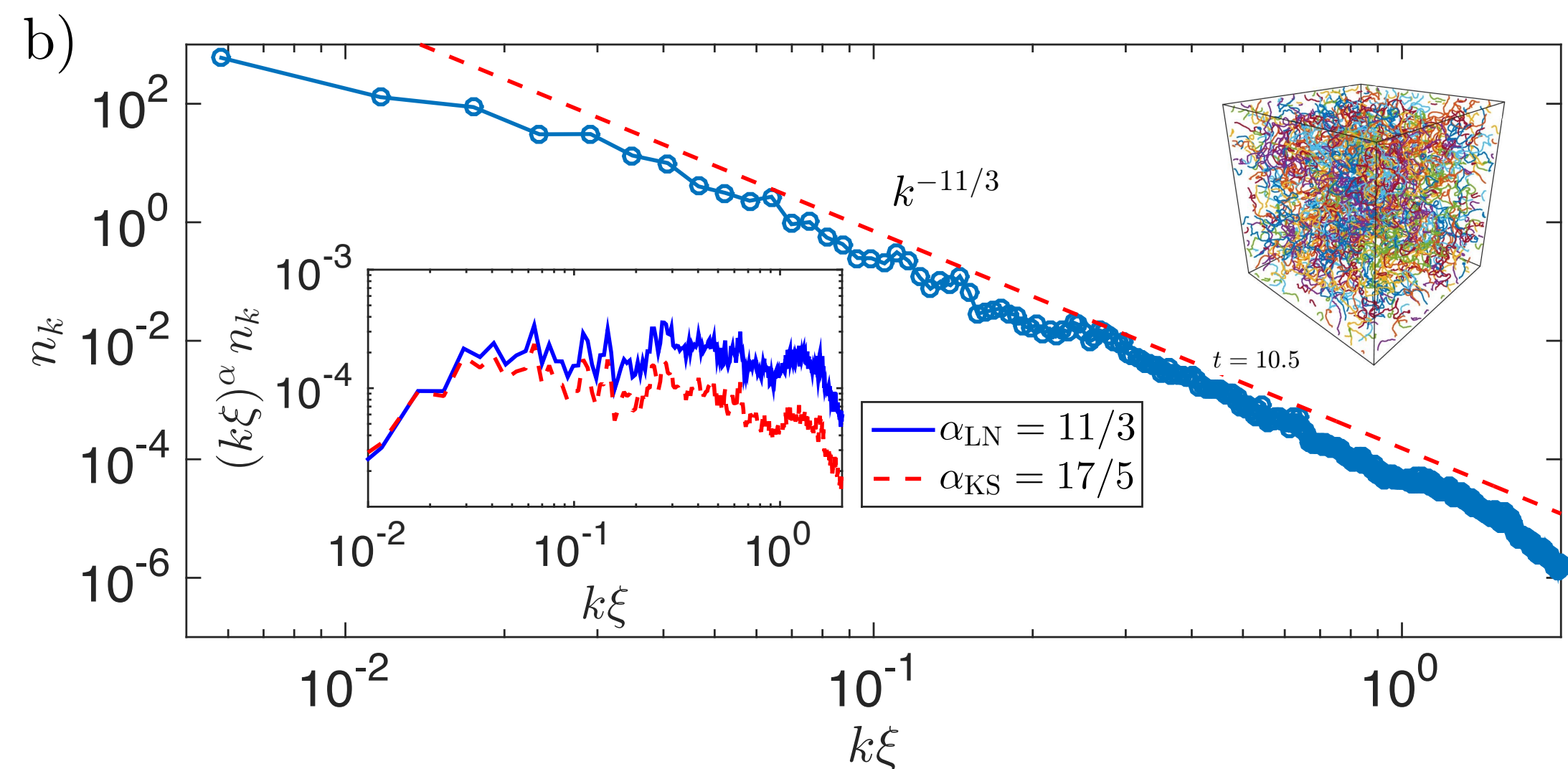
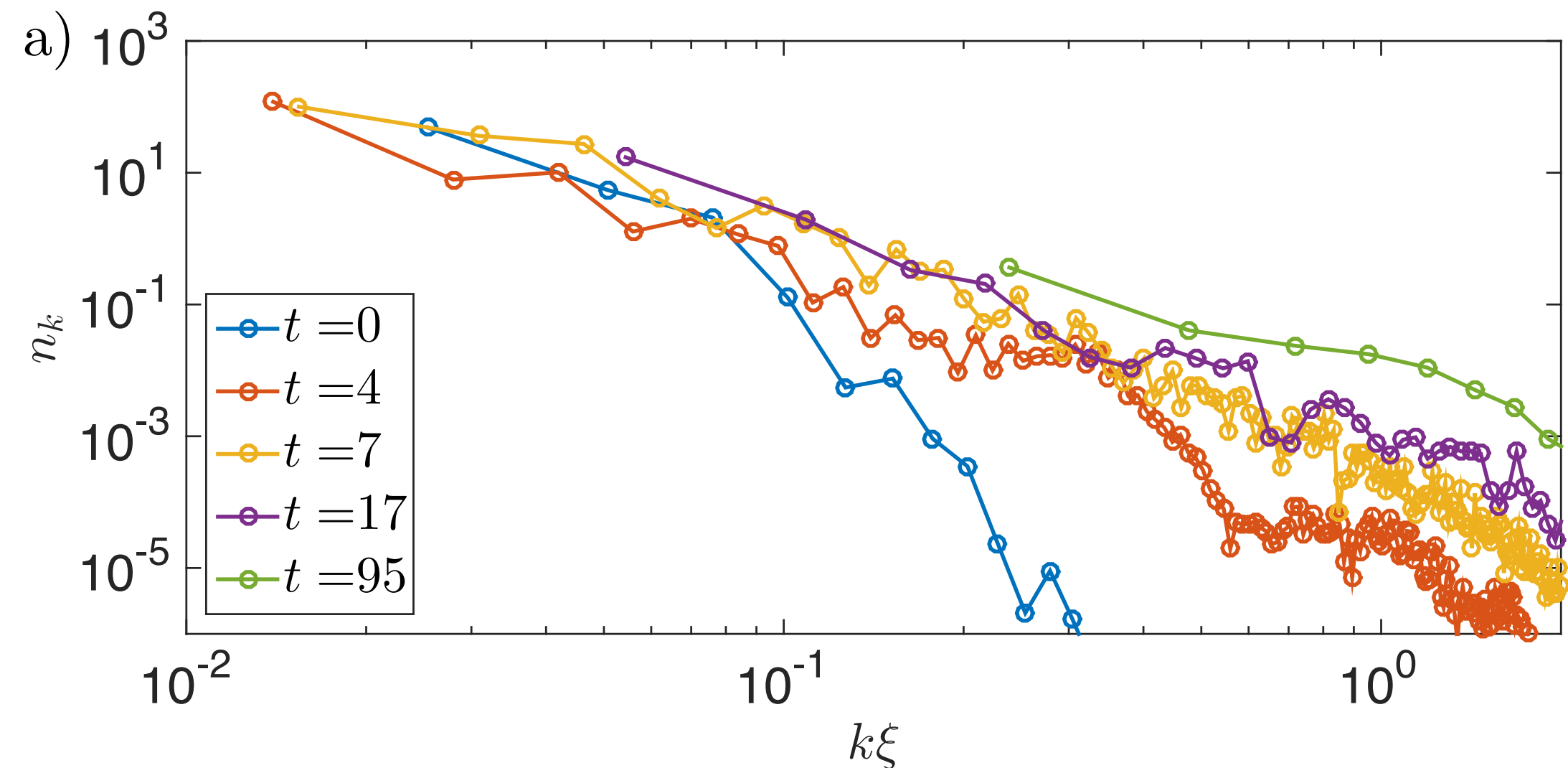
Take away message

QT is the result of the collective effect of many vortex lines each of them inducing a weak wave turbulent cascade, the whole leading to Kolmogorov turbulence.

L'vov & Nazarenko (JETP 2010):

(non-locality of energy transfer, 4 waves)

$$E_k \sim k^{-5/3} \iff n_k \sim k^{-11/3}$$



Quantum turbulence

Strong turbulence

Kolmogorov scaling for the energy spectrum (K41)

$$E(k) = C_K \epsilon^{2/3} k^{-5/3}$$

$$k_0 \ll k \ll k_\ell$$

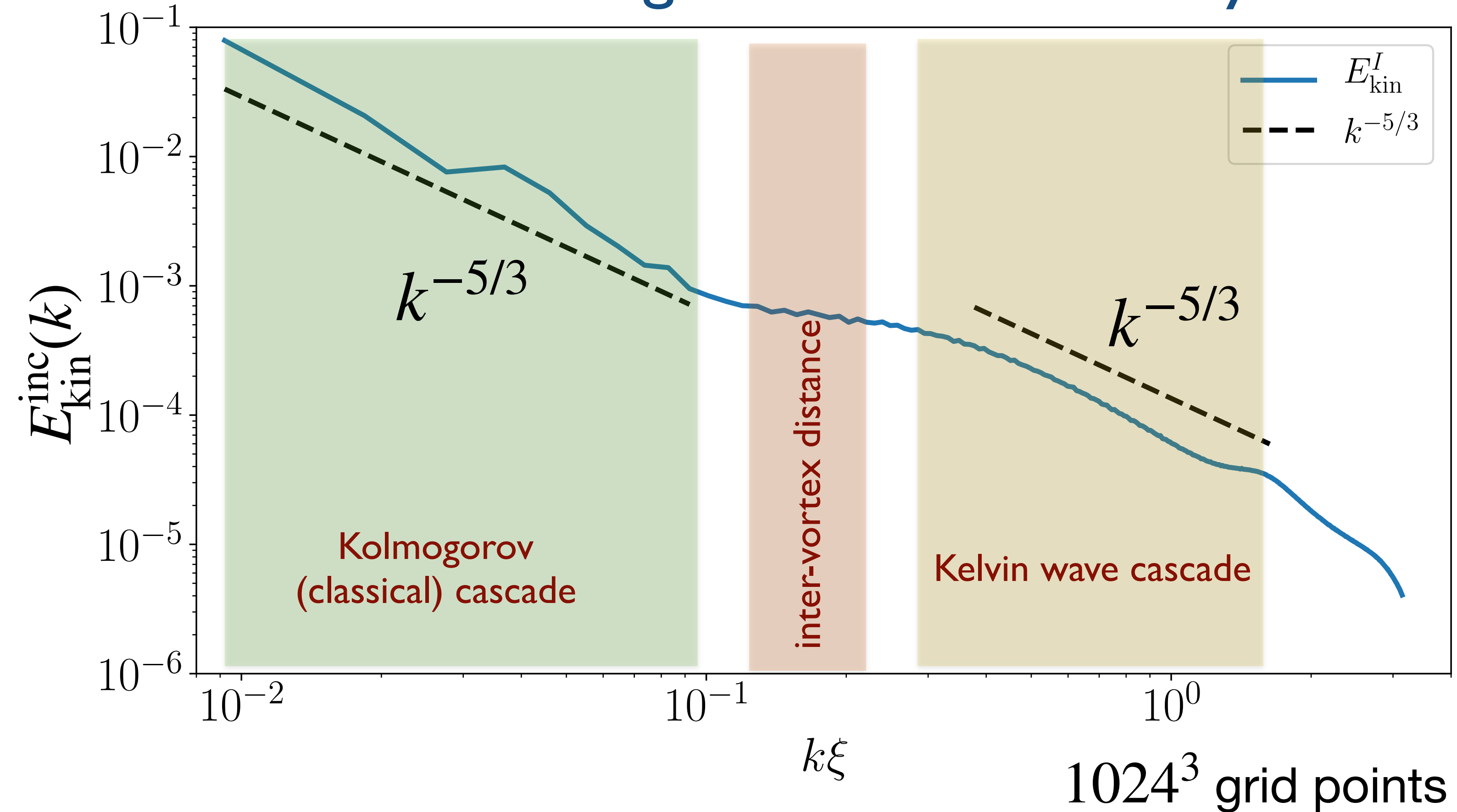
Weak wave turbulence

Kelvin wave scaling for the energy spectrum

$$E(k) \sim \kappa \epsilon^{1/3} \ell^{-4/3} k^{-5/3}$$

$$k_\ell \ll k \ll k_\xi$$

Non-local high-order nonlinearity GP



Simultaneous observation of two cascades

Experiments: Maurer et al. (1998), Salort et al. (2010), Tang et al. (2021), ...

Simulations in GP: Nore et al. (1997), Kobayashi et al. (2005), Clark di Leoni et al. (2017), ...

Simulations in vortex-filament method: Baggaley et al. (2012), ...

Quantum turbulence

	Initial condition		Turbulence	
	k_0	L/ξ	ϵ	ℓ/L
-----	2	341	0.01	0.412
-----	2	171	0.01	0.494
-----	2	341	0.01	0.255
-----	3	341	0.02	0.235
-----	4	341	0.03	0.227
-----	2	683	0.01	0.139

}
}

Local

Rotons

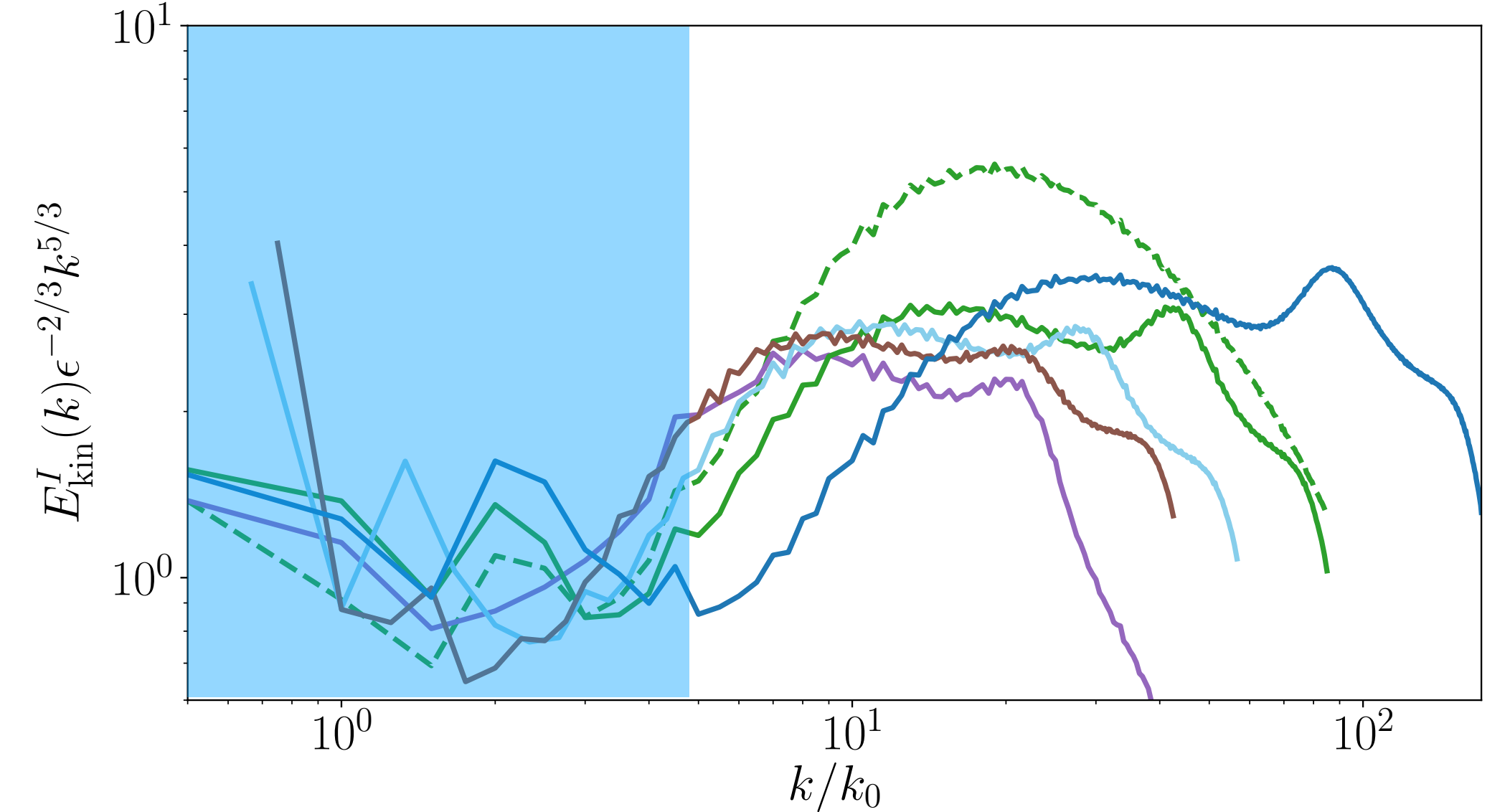
$$E(k) = C_K \epsilon^{2/3} k^{-5/3}$$

Kolmogorov spectrum

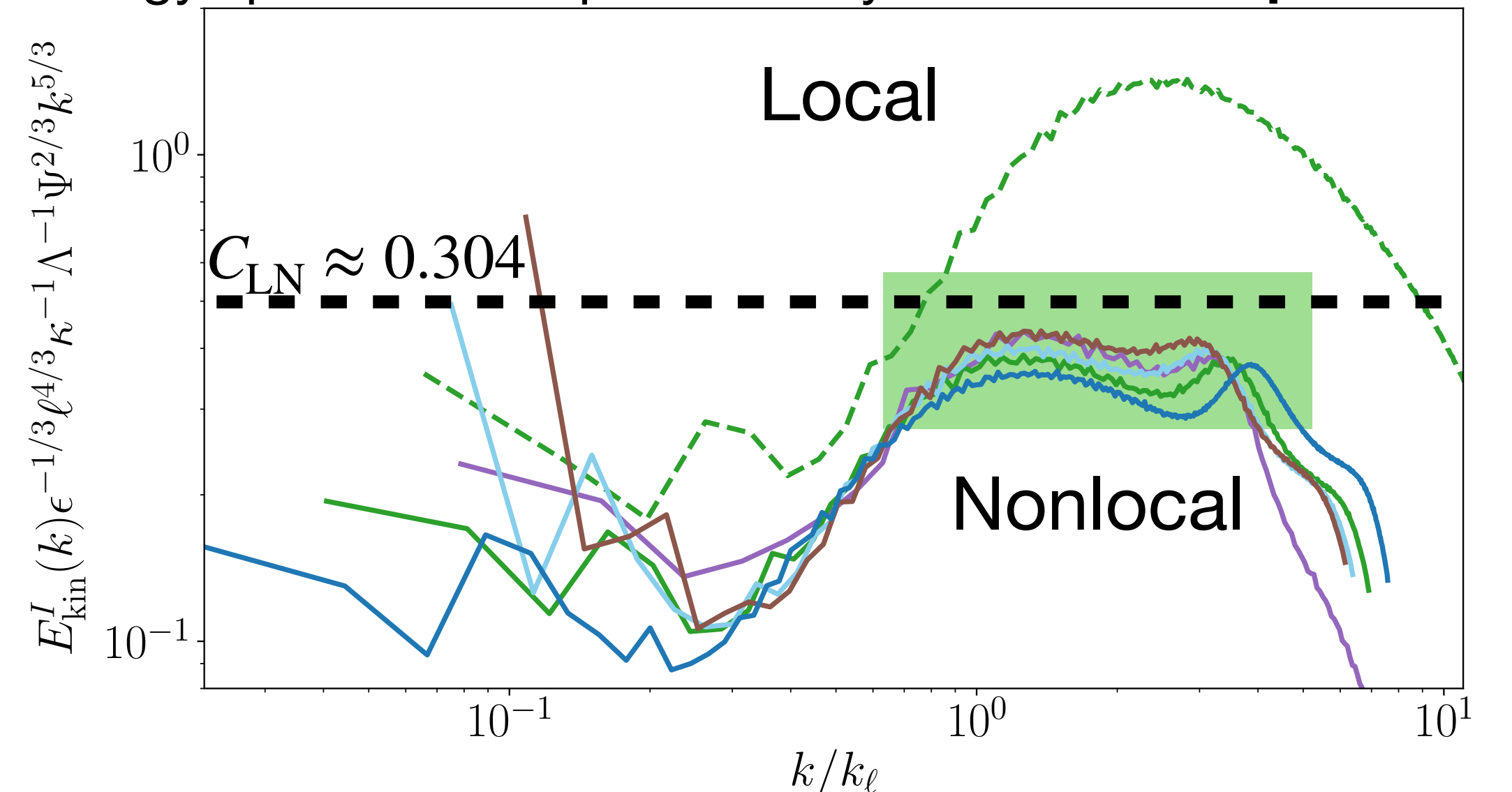
$$E_{KW}(k) = C_{LN}^{3/5} \frac{\kappa \Lambda \epsilon^{1/3} \ell^{-4/3}}{\tilde{\Psi}^{2/3} k^{5/3}}$$

Kelvin wave spectrum

Energy spectrum compensated by **Kolmogorov spectrum**

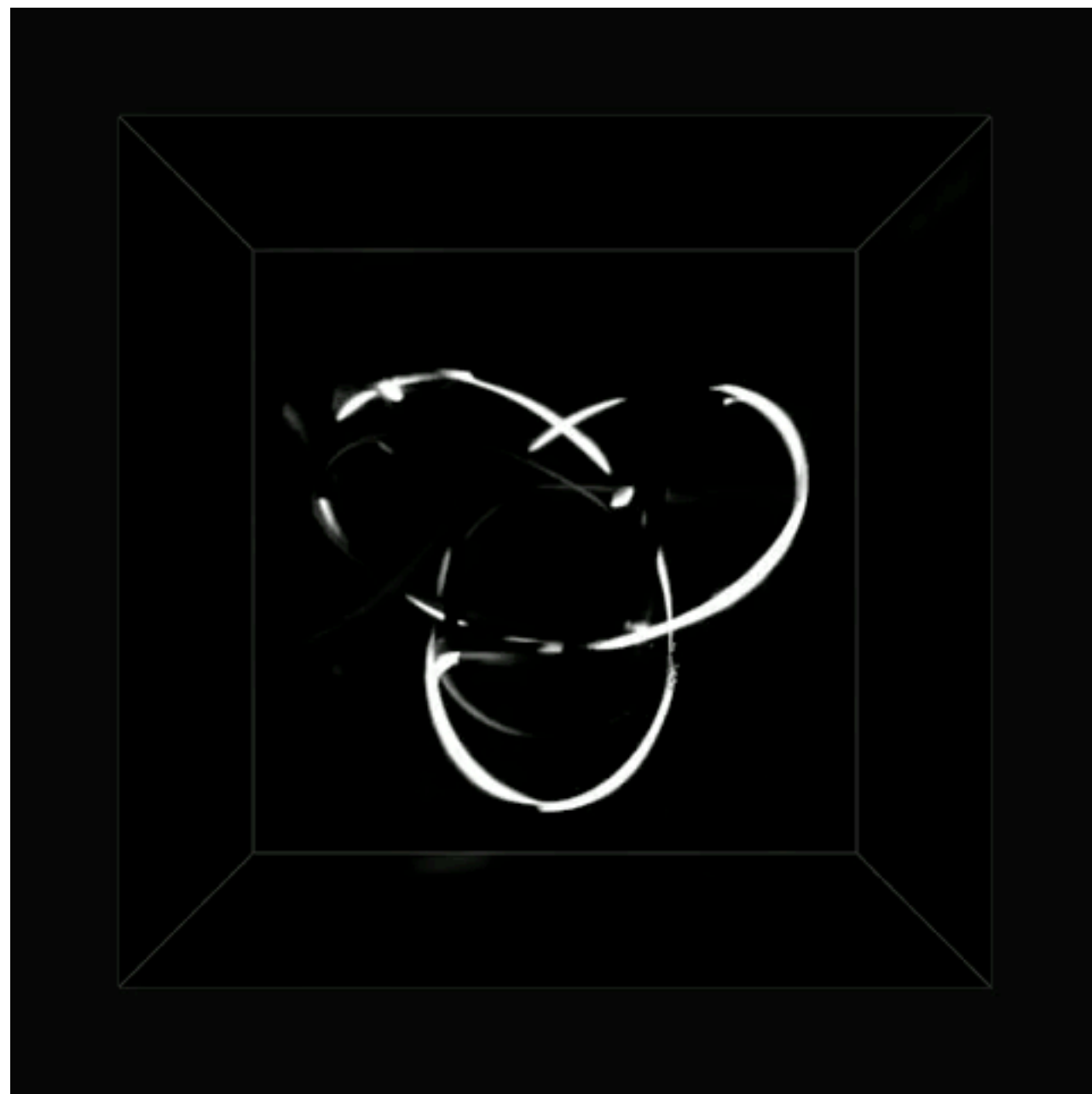


Energy spectrum compensated by **Kelvin wave spectrum**



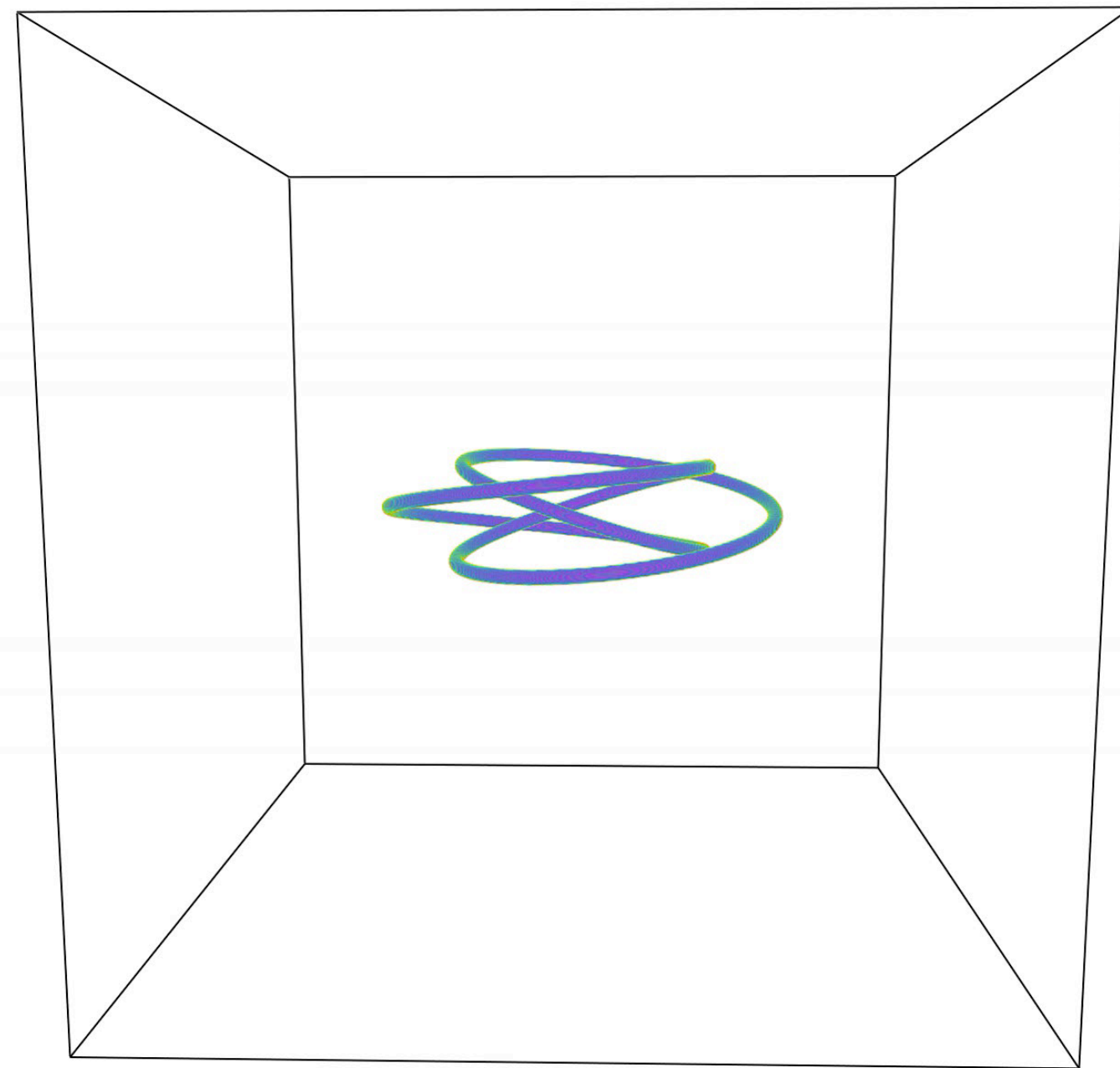
Vortex reconnections

Experiments in water



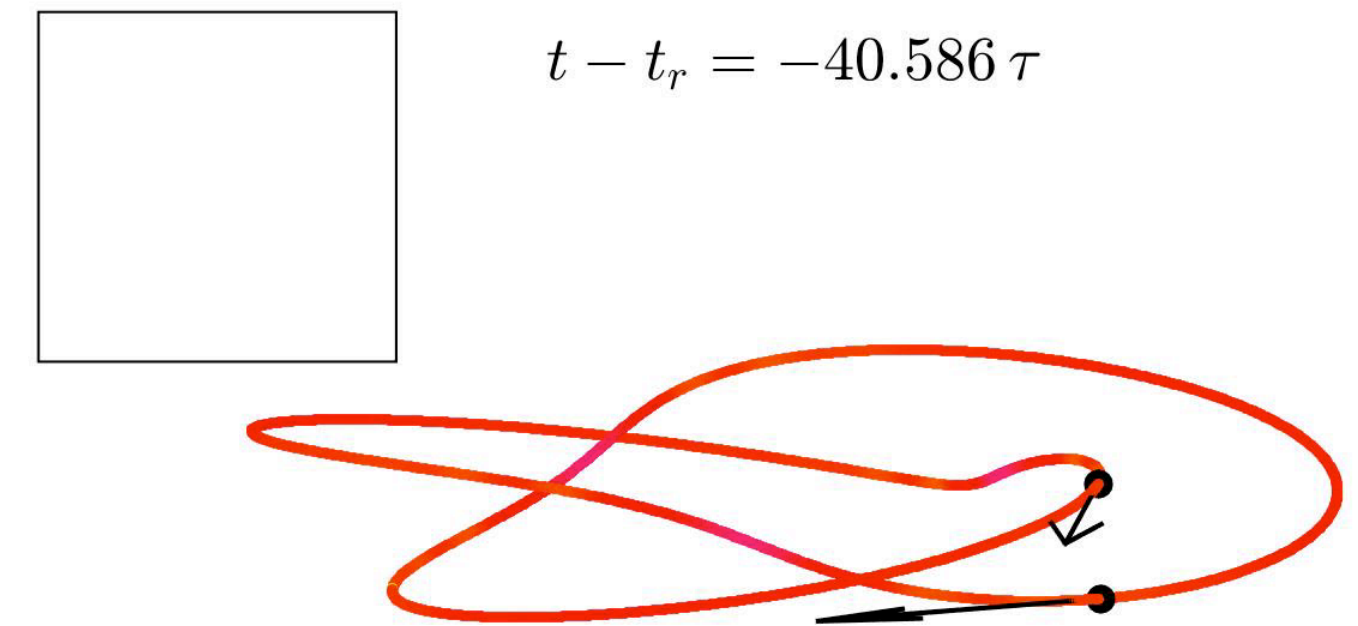
Kleckner & Irvine. Nature Phys. 2013

Numerical simulations of classical fluids



Navier-Stokes equations

Numerical simulations of superfluids



Gross-Pitaevskii model

Ideal for a theoretical description! $\xi \ll R$

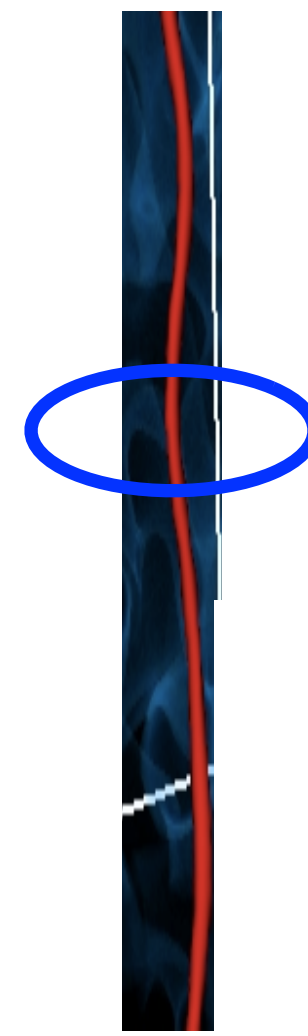
Minimal vortex distance

Dimensional analysis:

ξ : vortex core size

δ : minimal distance
between vortices

R : system size

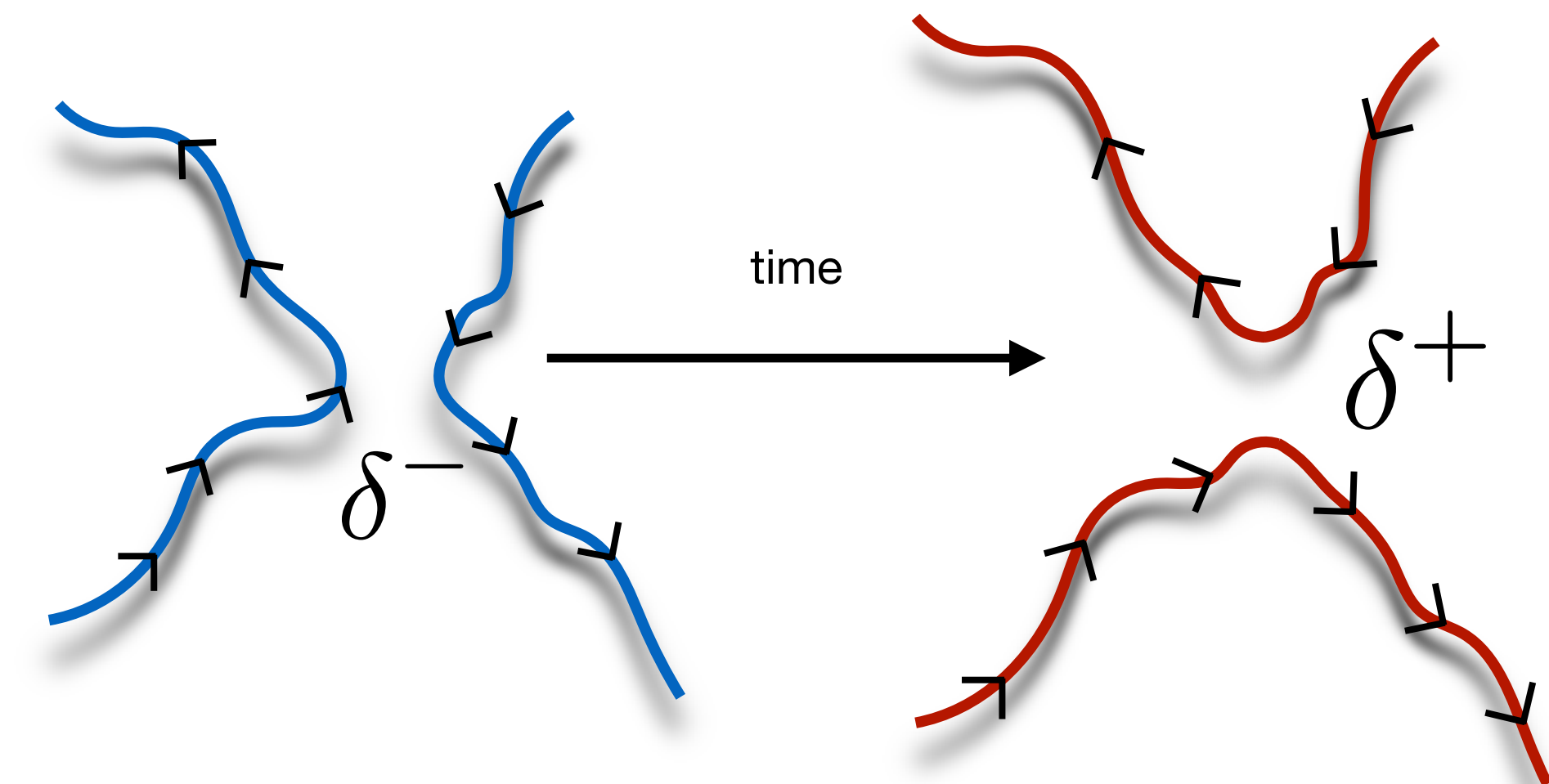


$$\Gamma = \oint \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{l}$$
$$[\Gamma] = \frac{L^2}{T}$$

$$\xi \ll \delta \ll R$$



$$\delta^\pm(t) = A^\pm |\Gamma(t - t_r)|^{1/2}$$



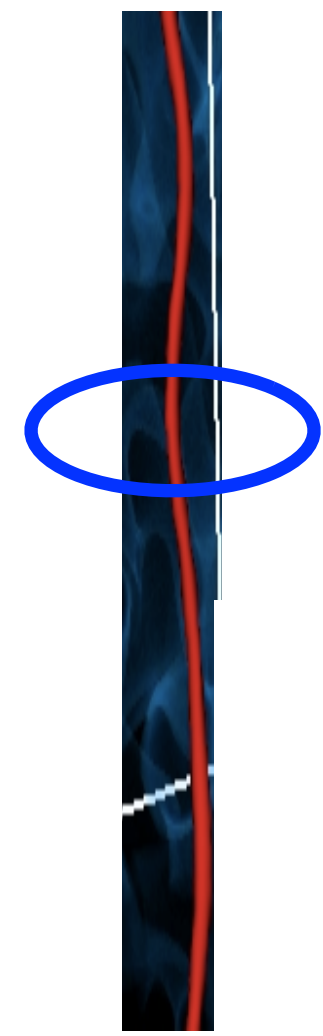
Minimal vortex distance

Analytic calculations

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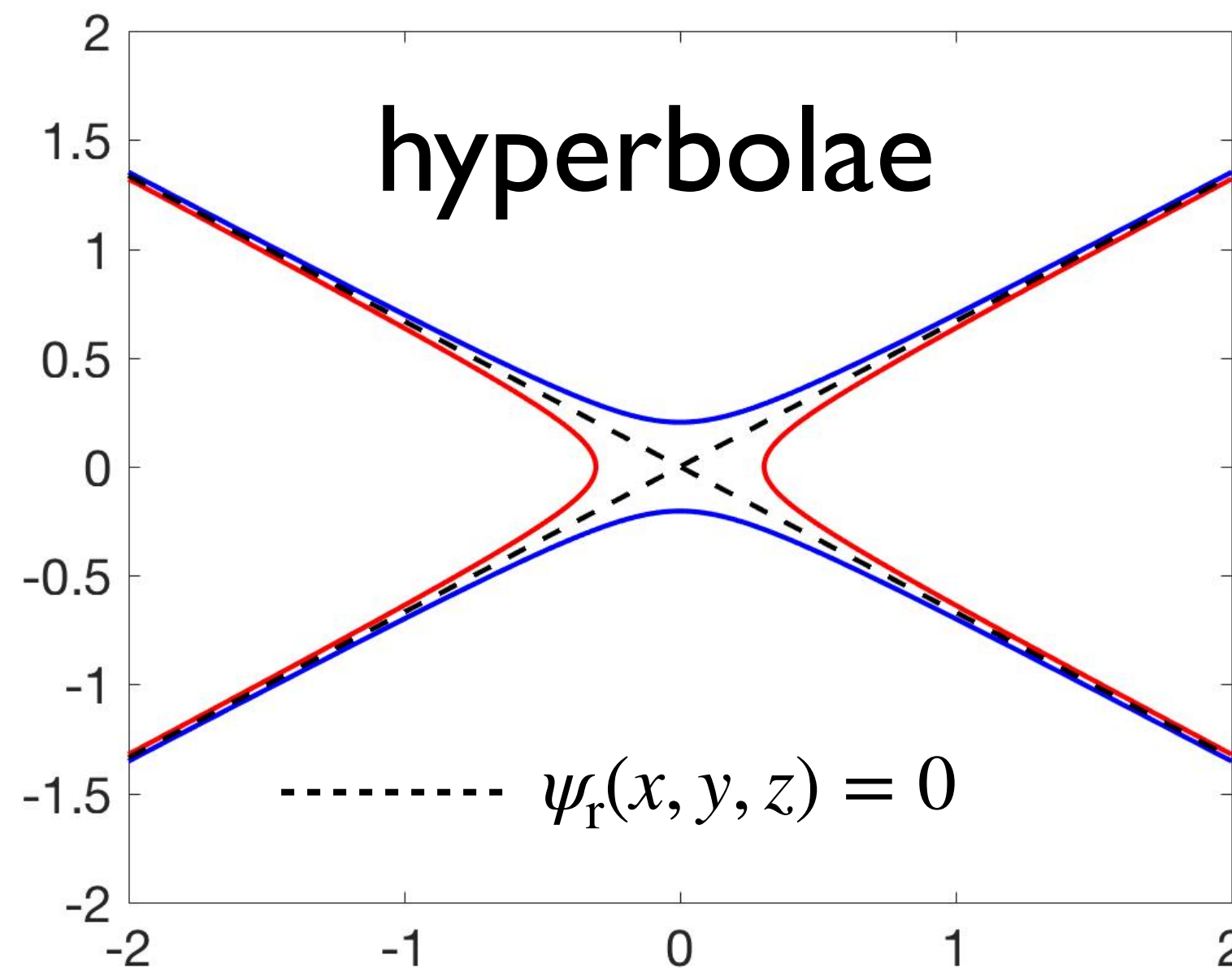
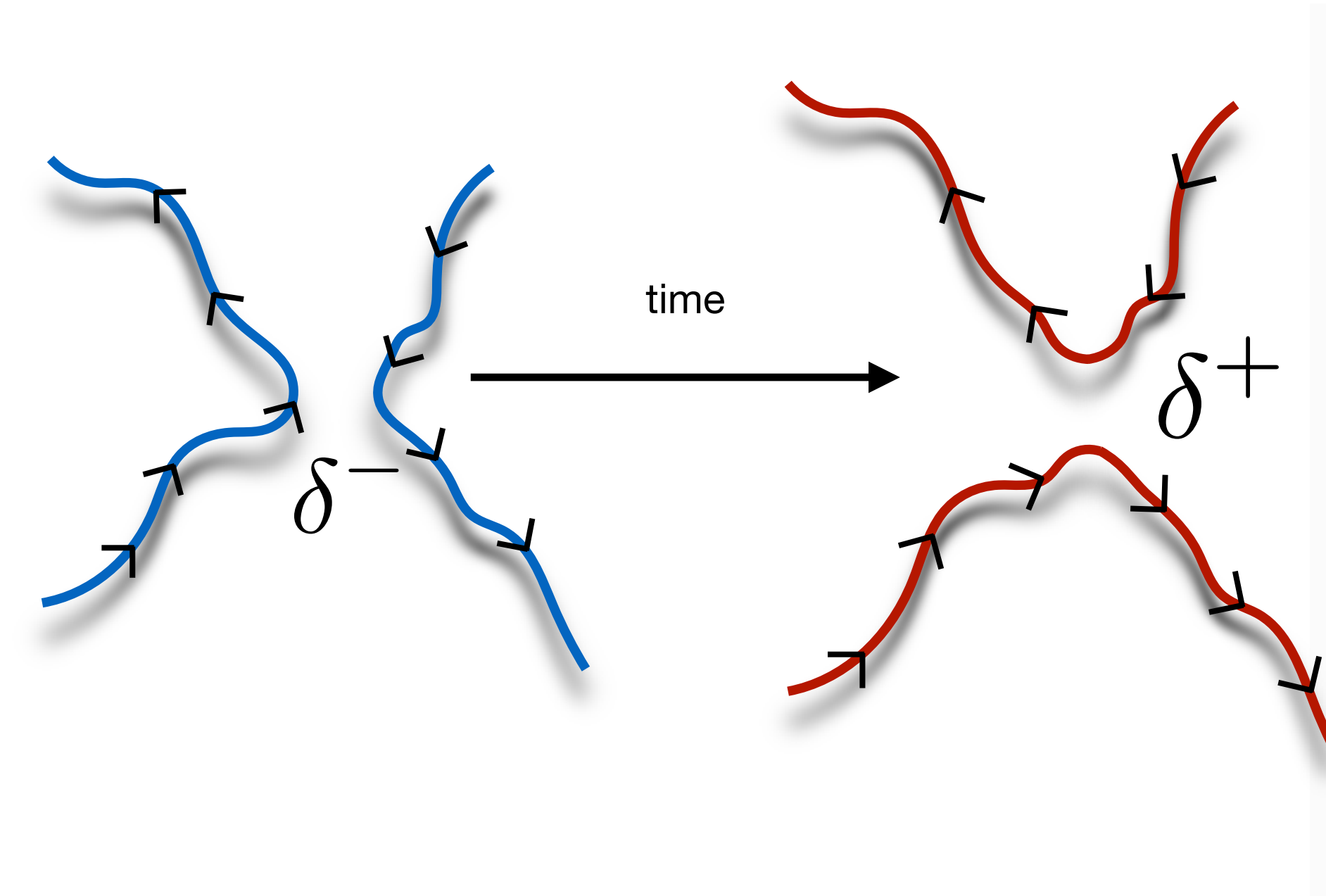
Very close to reconnecting vortices:

$$\delta(t) \ll \xi$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) \approx 0$$

Nazarenko & West, JLTIP (2003):

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + g|\psi|^2 \psi,$$



$$\psi_r(x, y, z) = z + i(\alpha z + \beta x^2 - y^2)$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}, t) = e^{i\frac{\hbar}{2m}(t-t_r)\nabla^2} \psi_r(\mathbf{x})$$

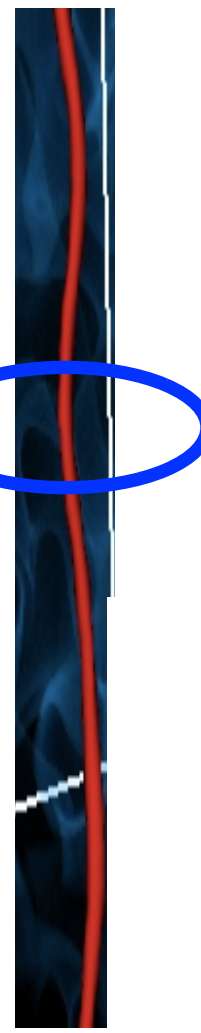
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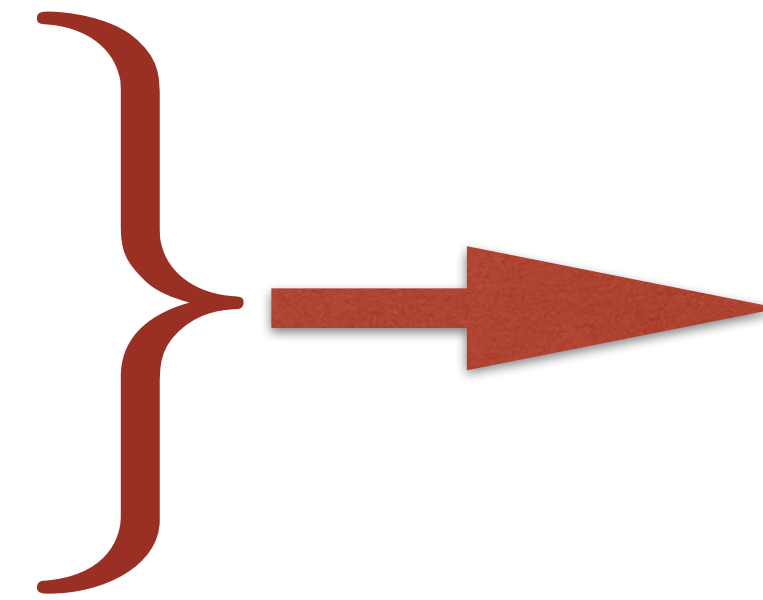


$$\Gamma = \oint \mathbf{v} \cdot d\boldsymbol{\ell}$$

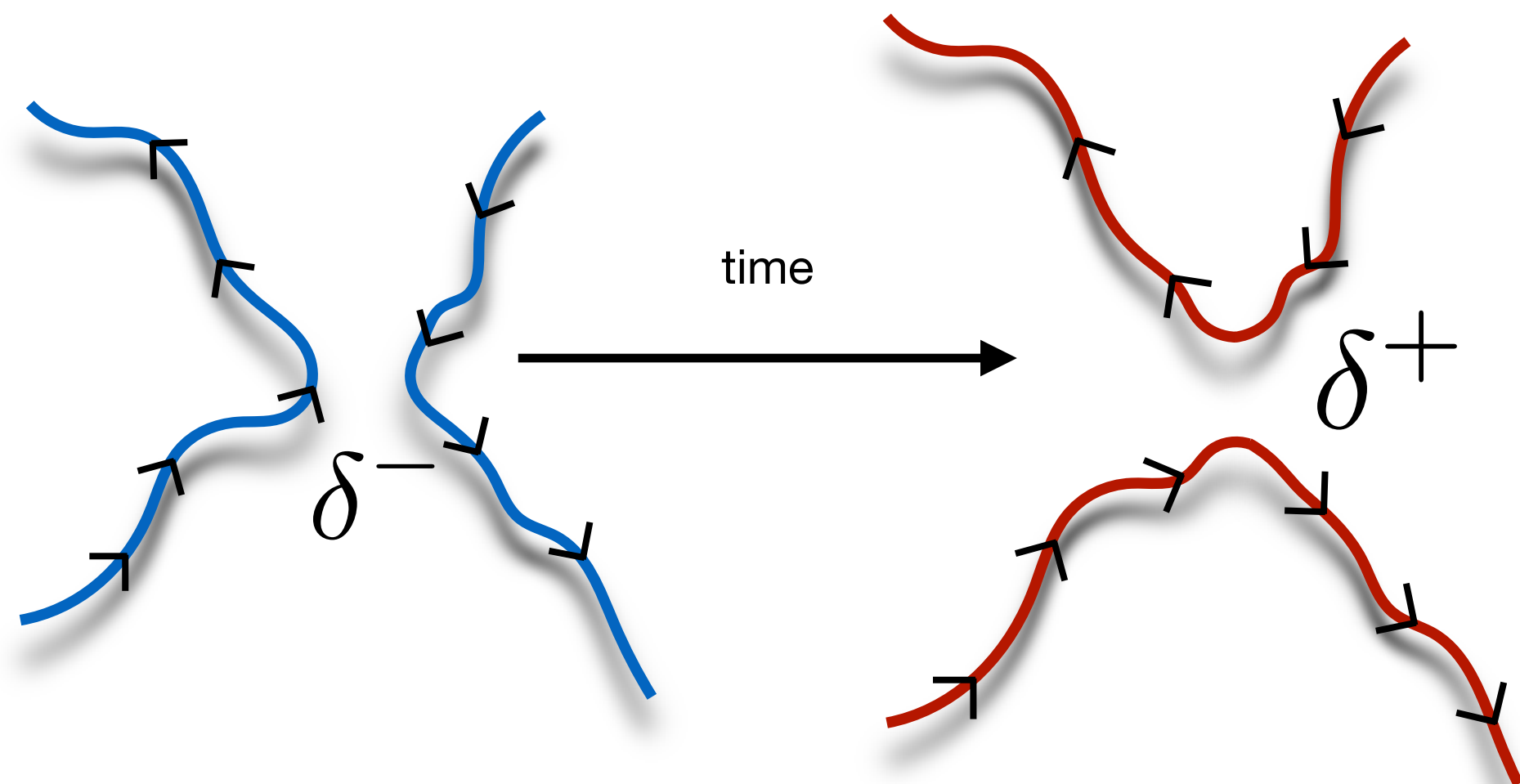
$$[\Gamma] = \frac{L^2}{T}$$

$$\xi \ll \delta \ll L$$

$$\delta \ll \xi$$



$$\delta^\pm(t) = A^\pm |\Gamma(t - t_r)|^{1/2}$$



Previous works reported different exponents:

- Zuccher et al Phys Fluids (2013)
- Allen et al. PRA (2014)
- Rorai et al. JFM (2016)

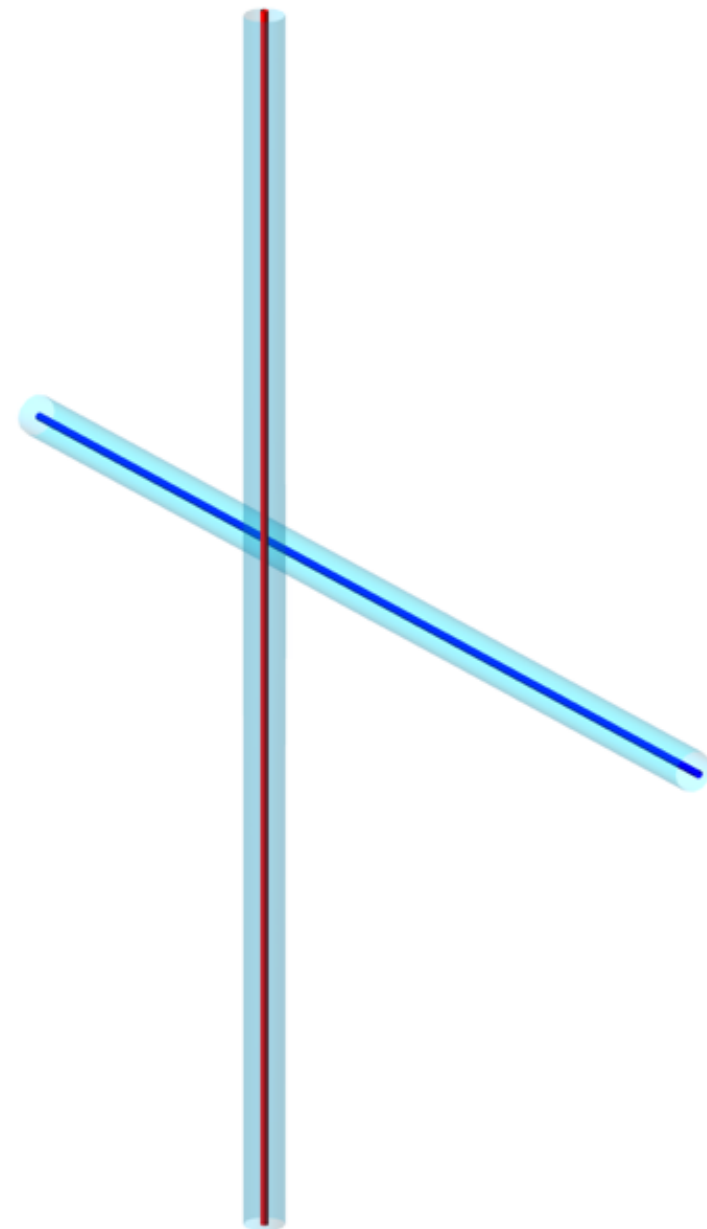
Quantum vortex filaments

4 study cases

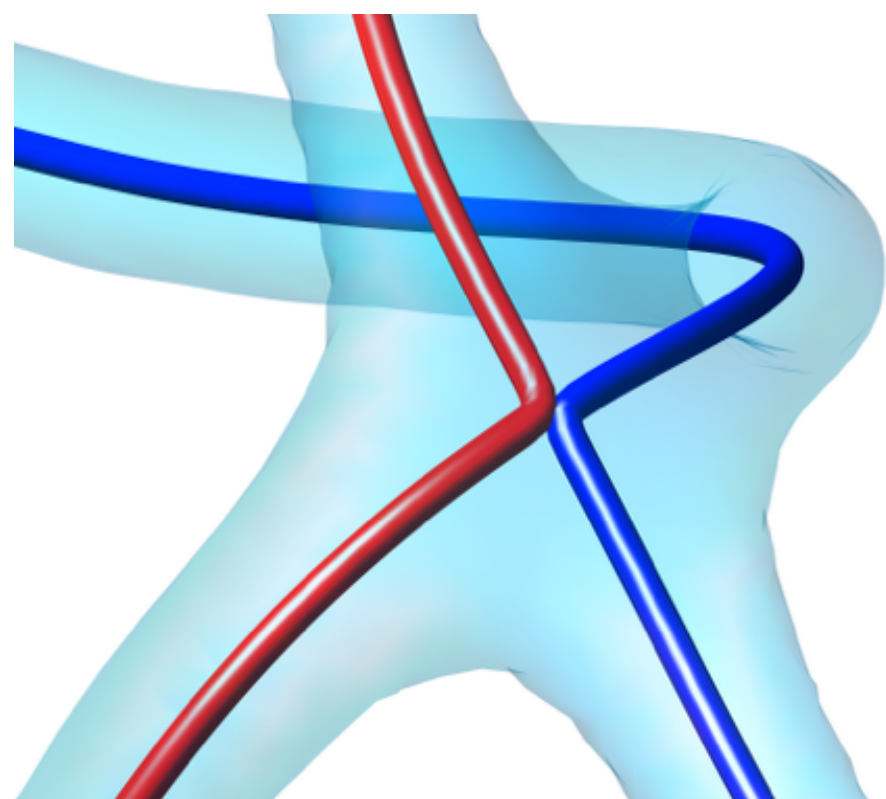
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Perpendicular

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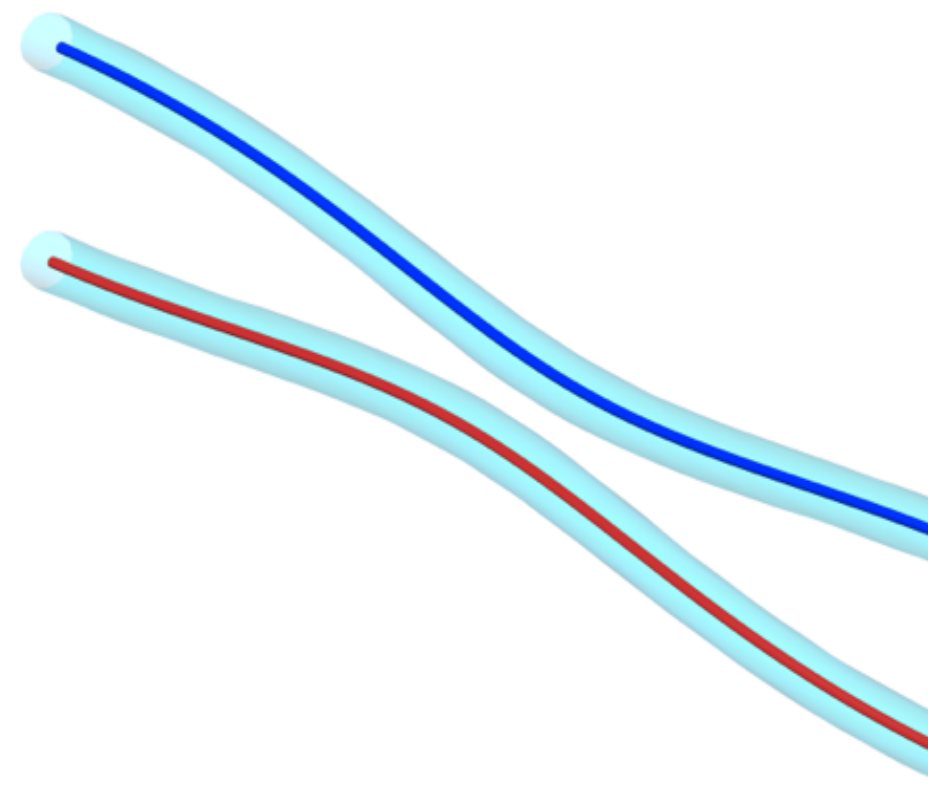


a.2)

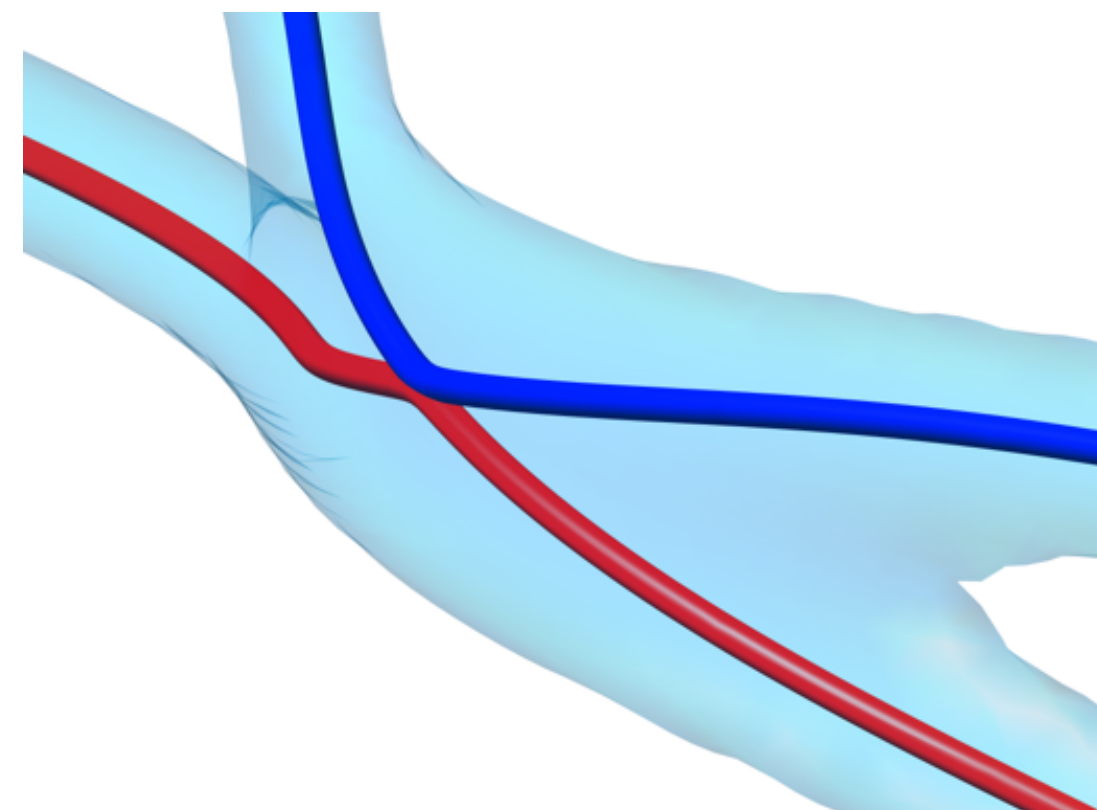


Antiparallel

b.1)

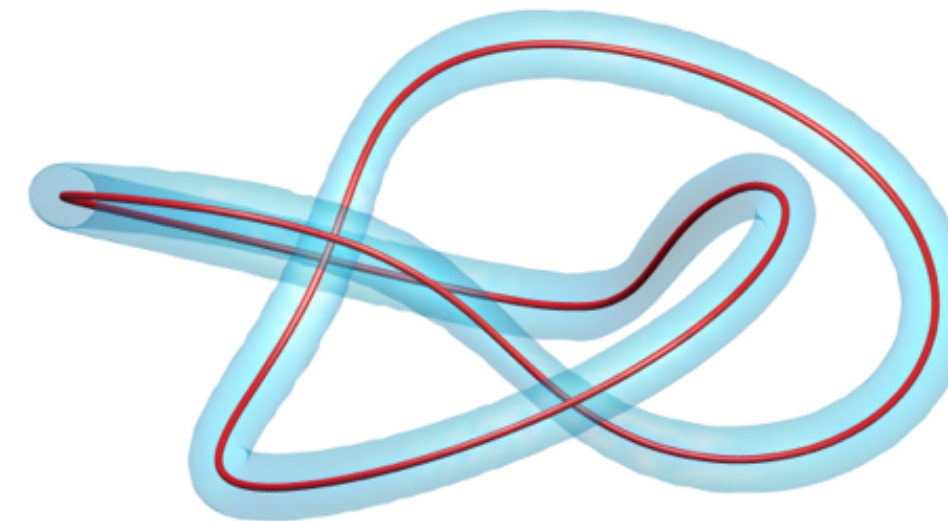


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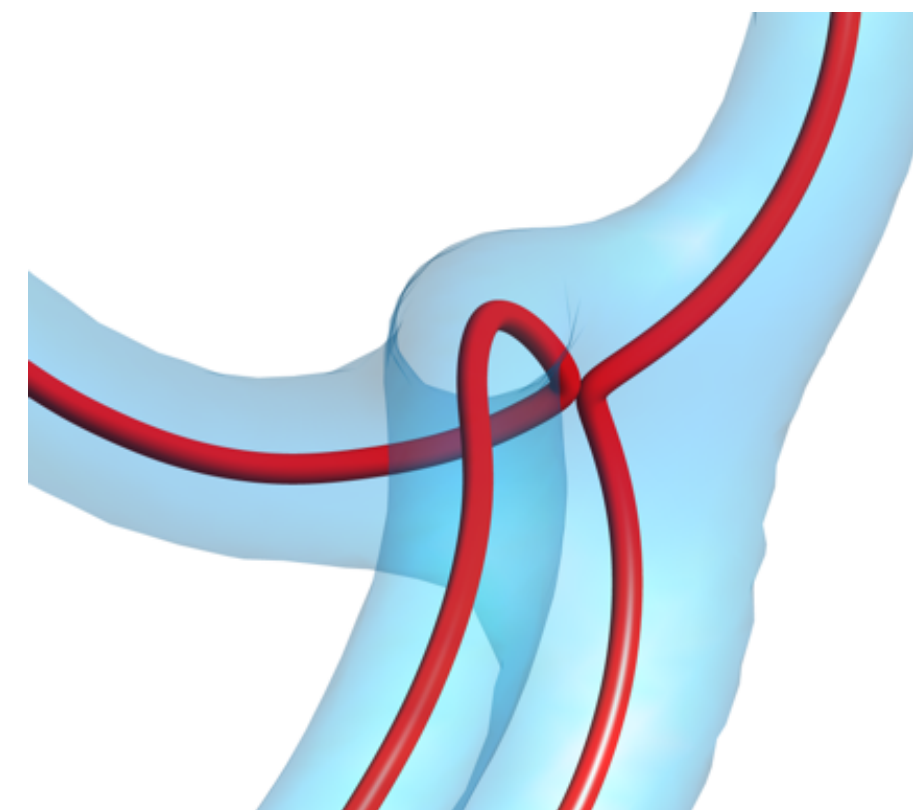


Trefoil knot

c.1)

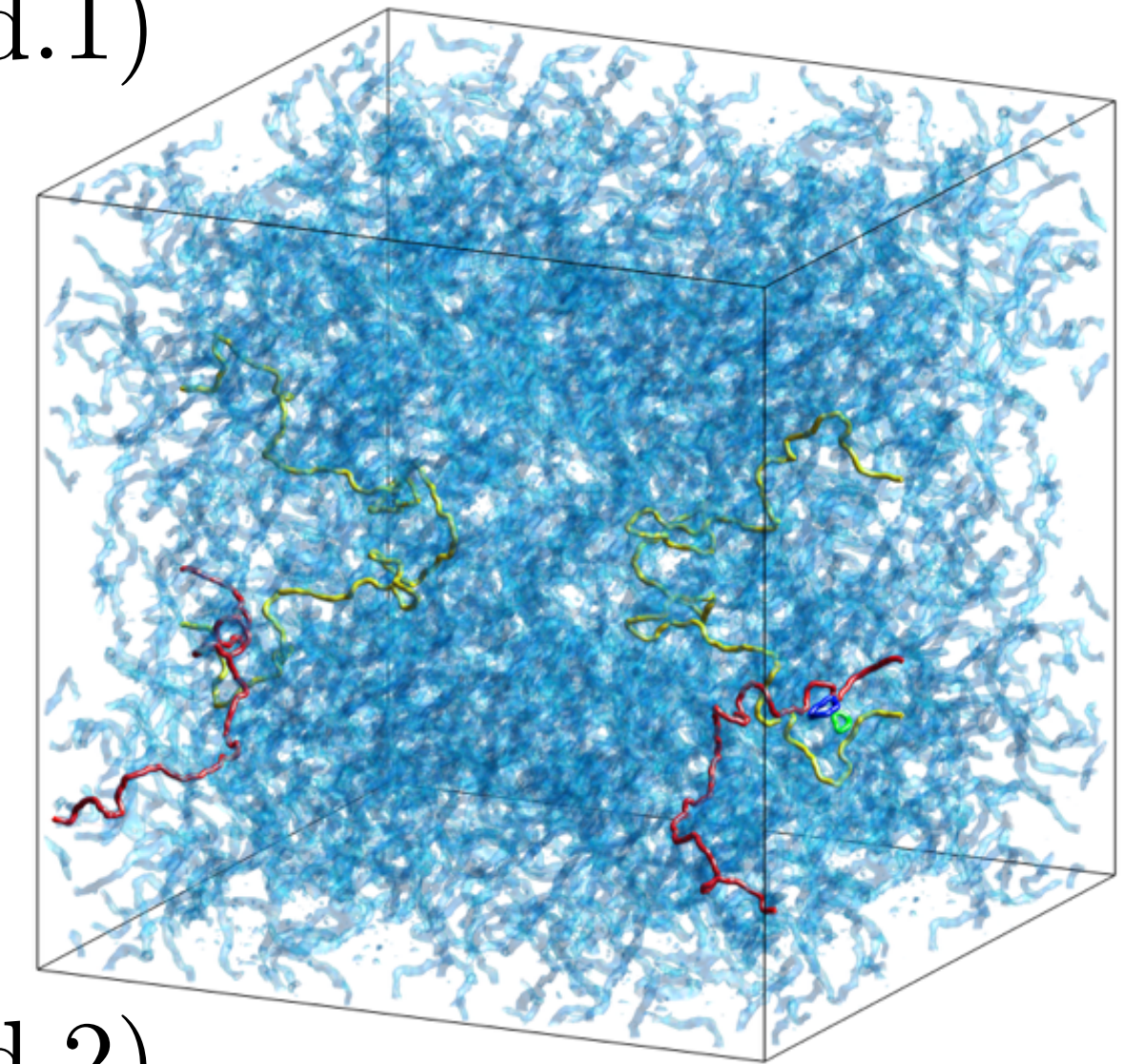


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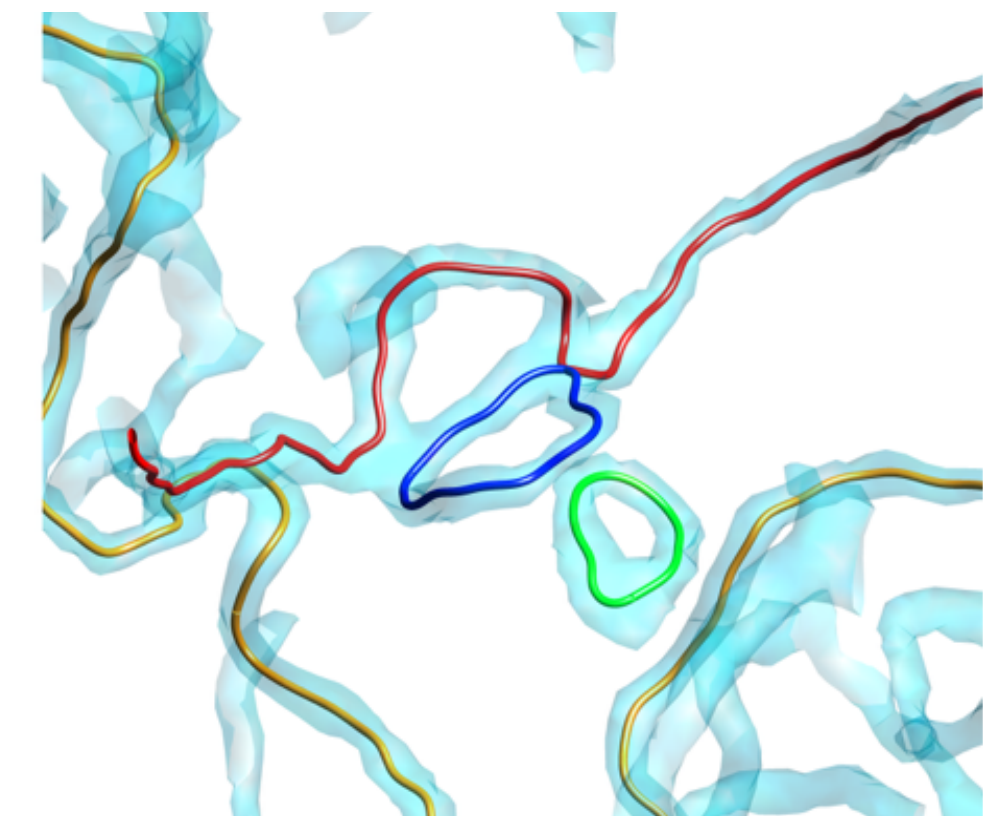


Tangle

d.1)

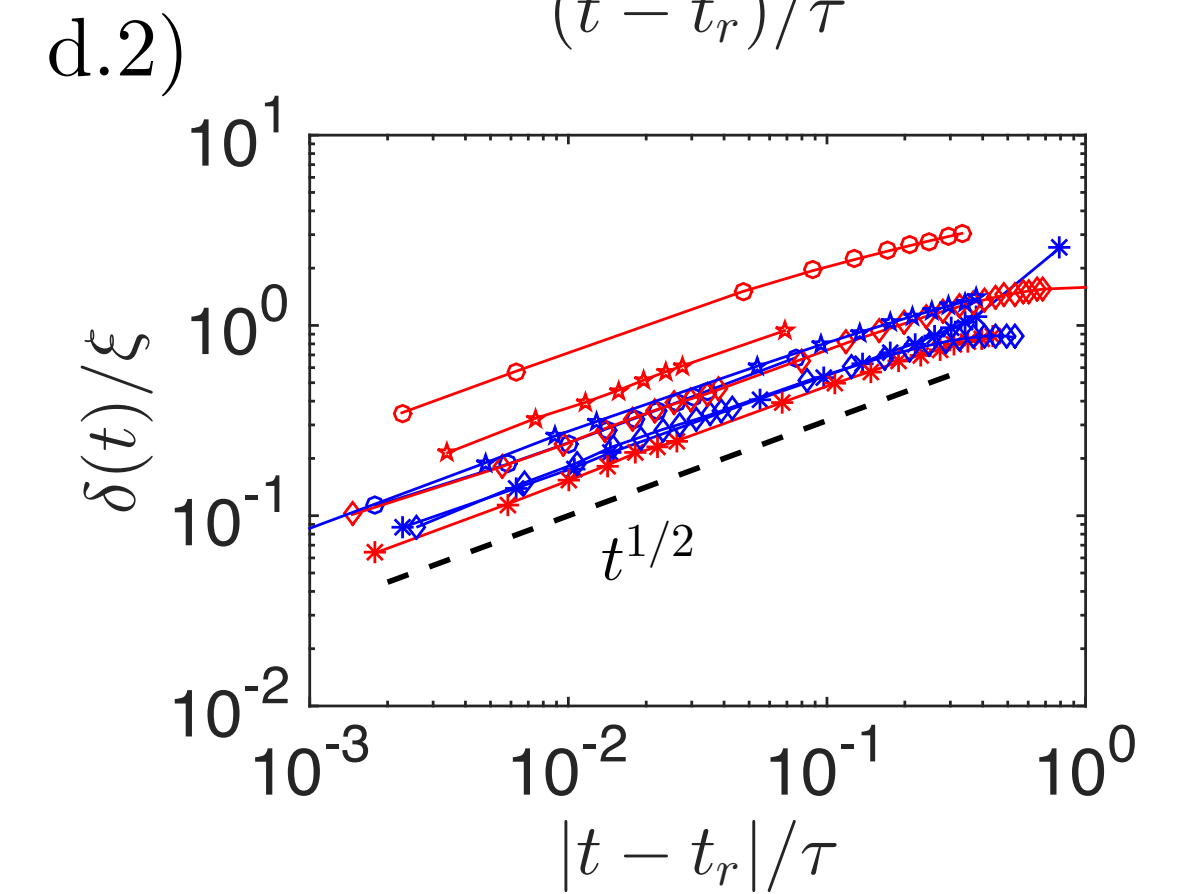
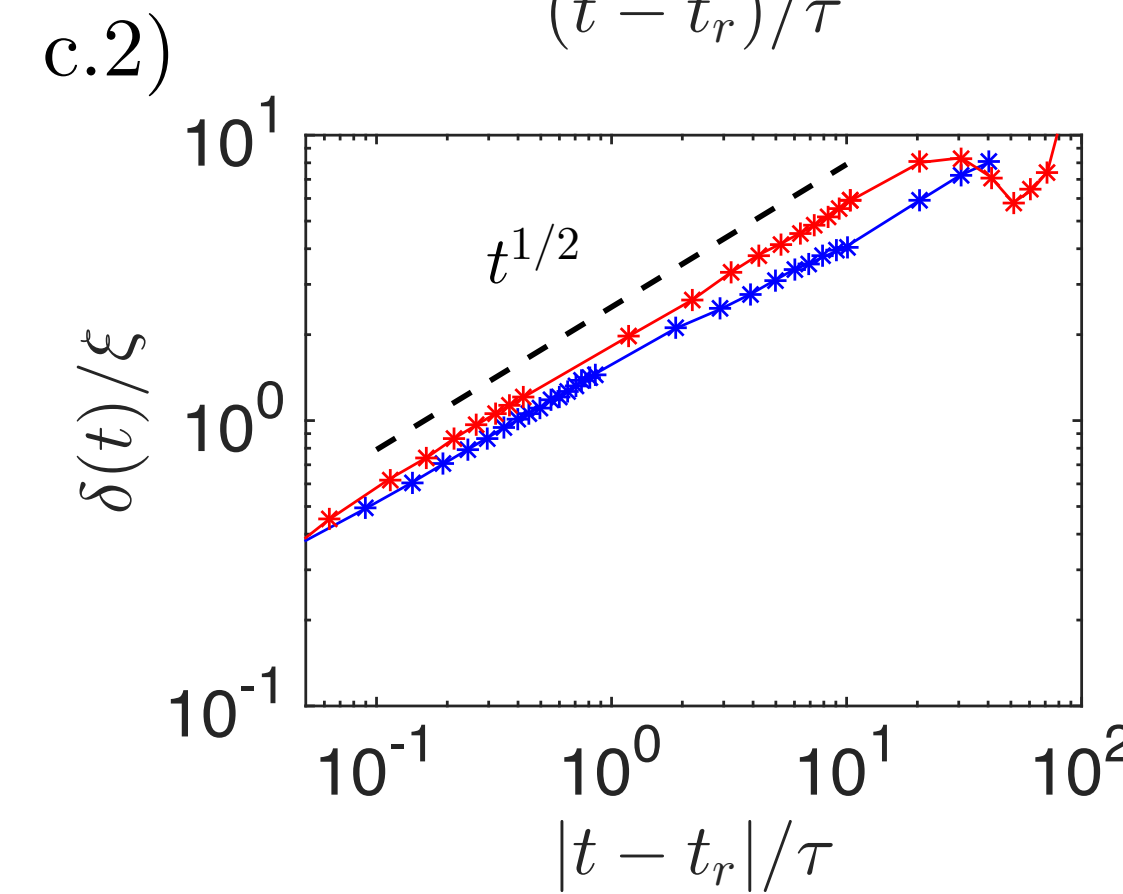
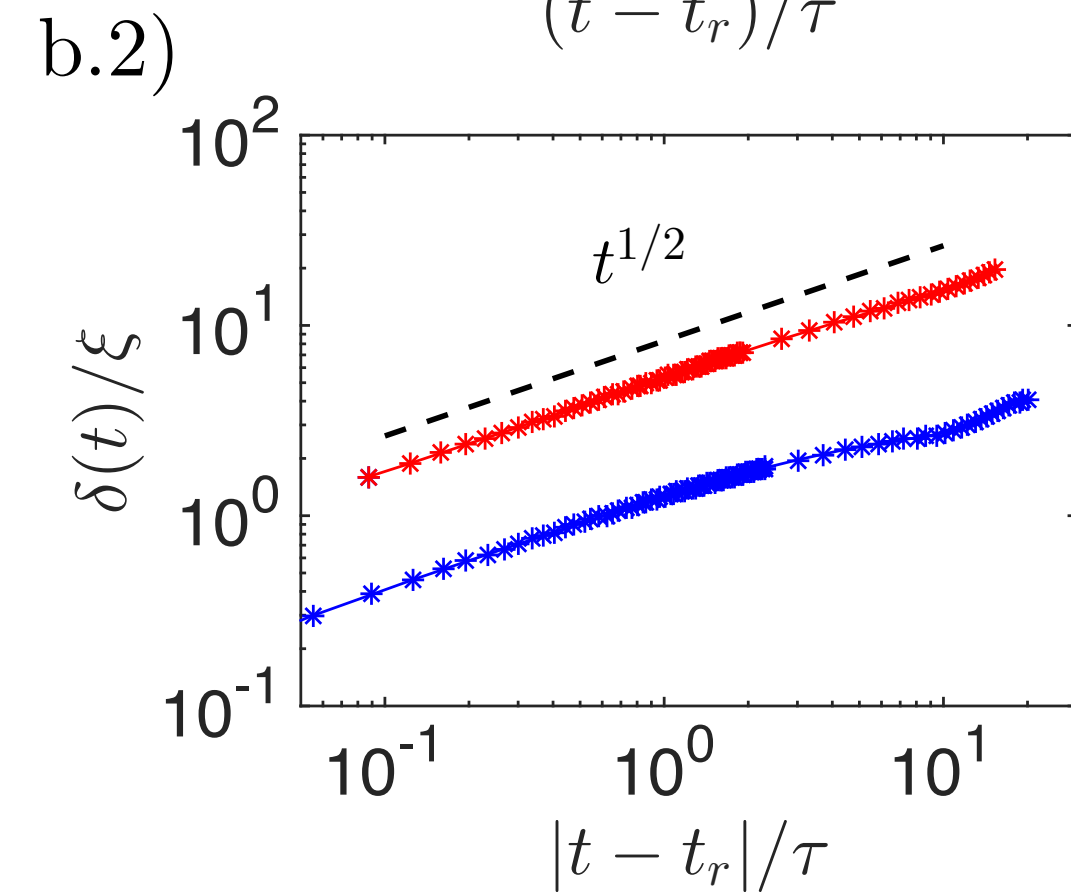
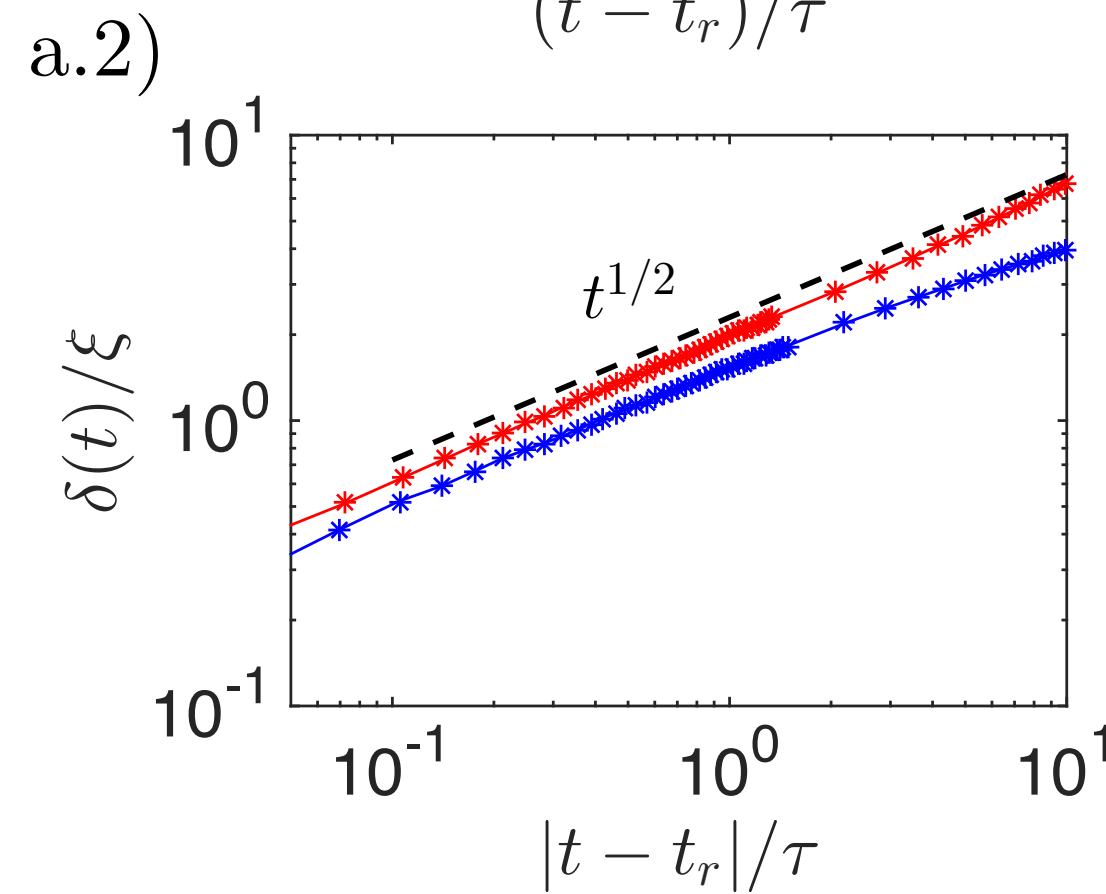
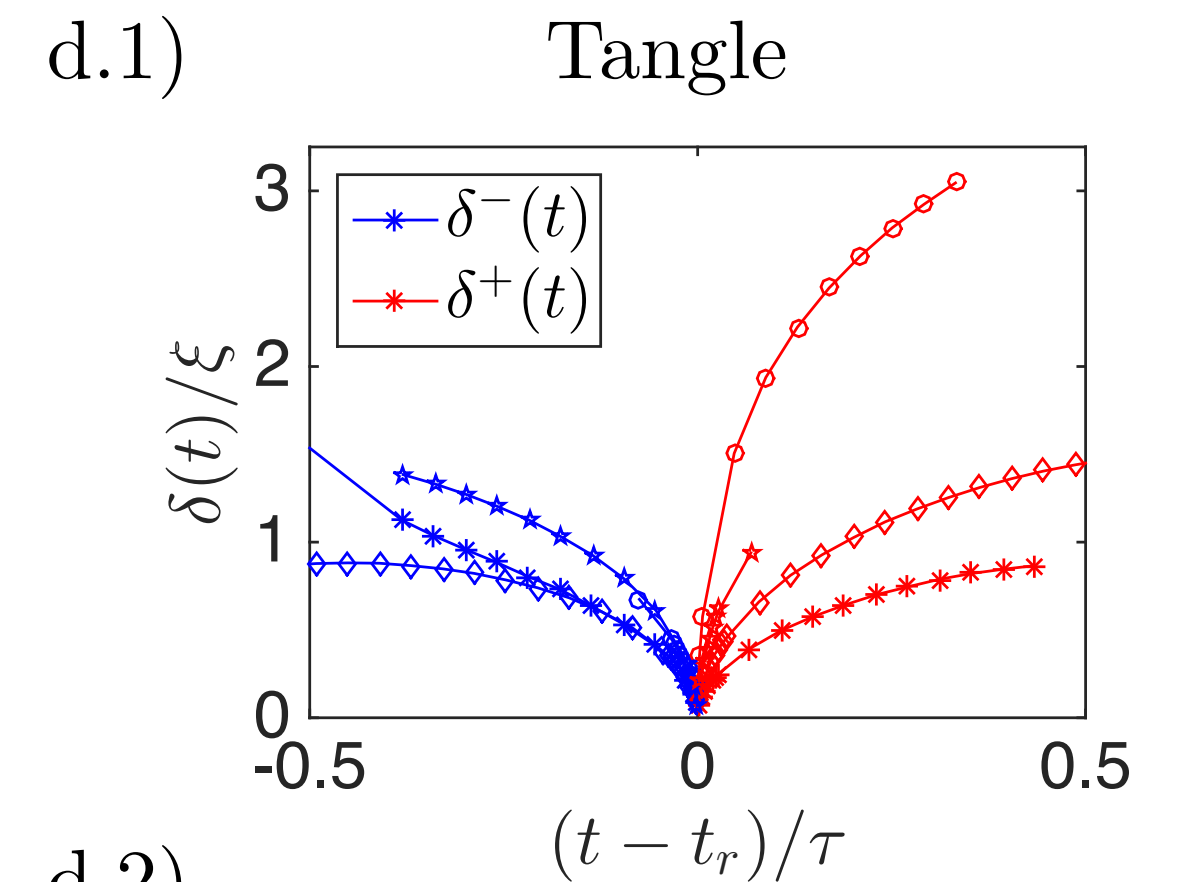
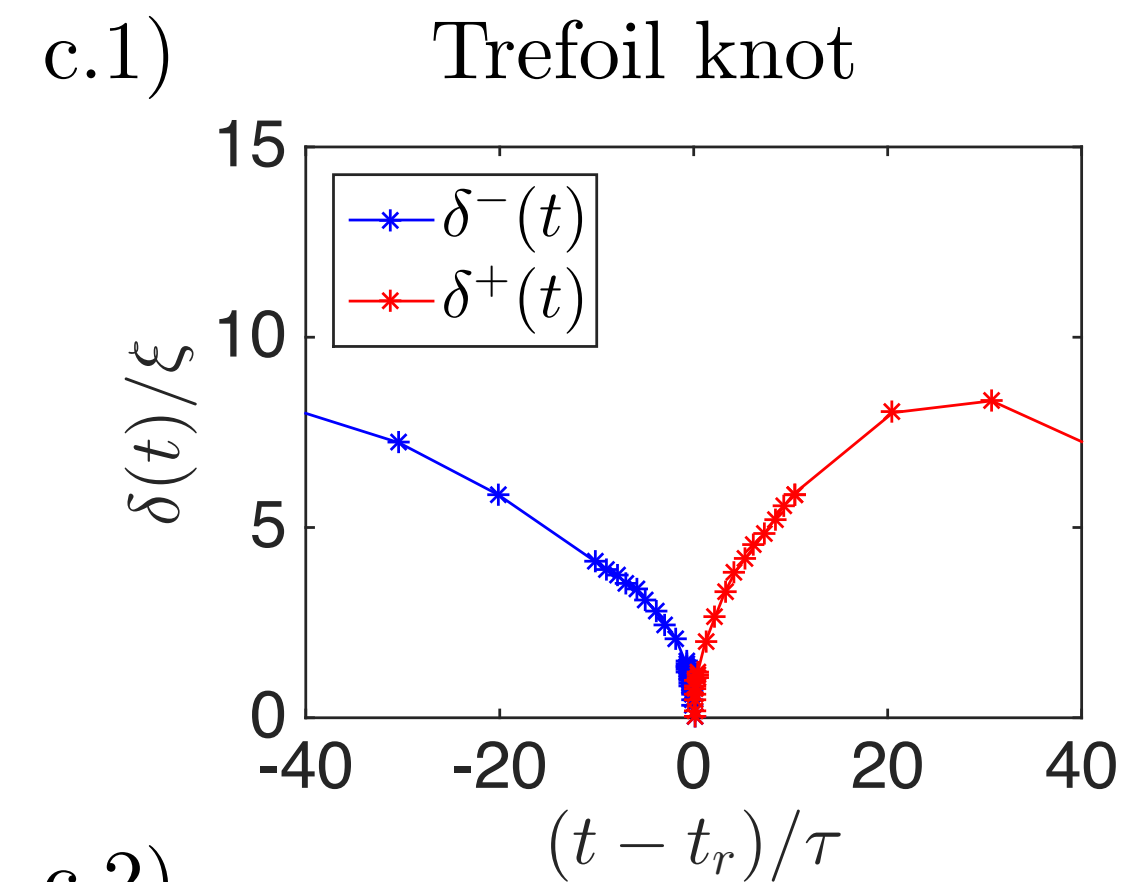
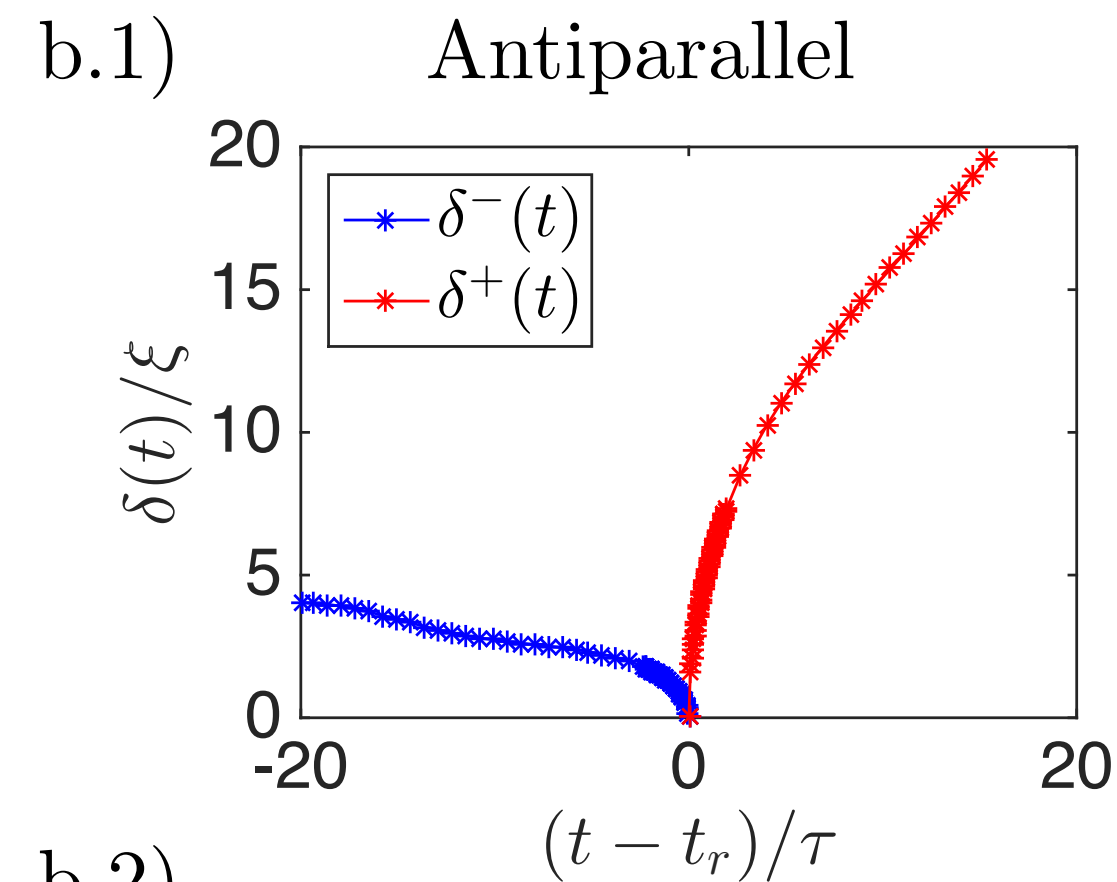
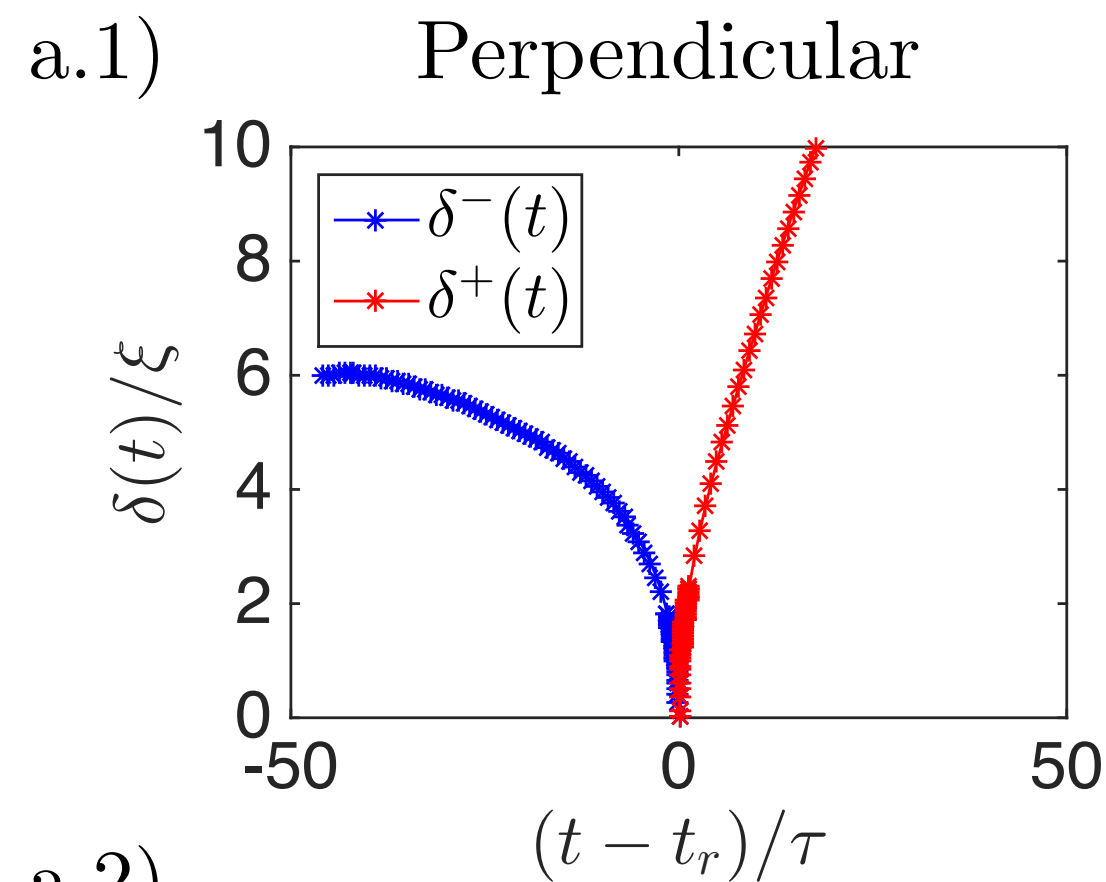
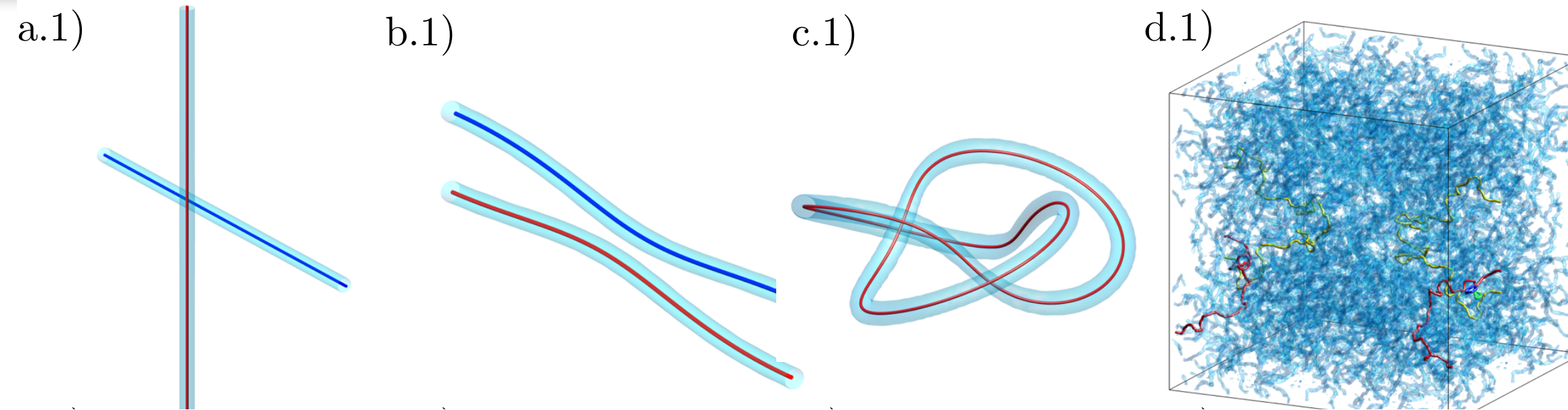


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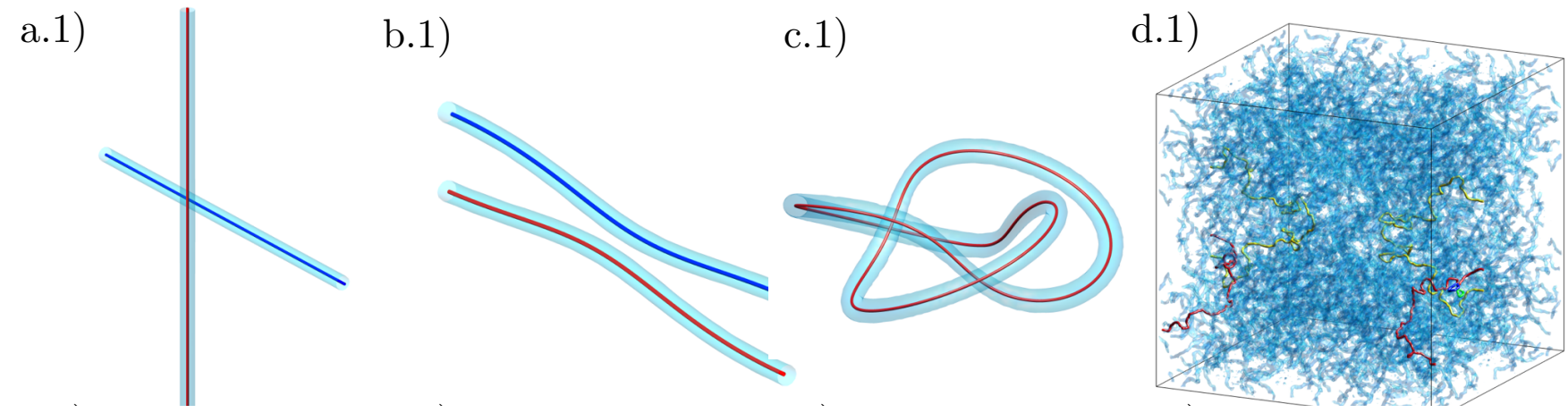


Separation rates

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Geometry of reconnections



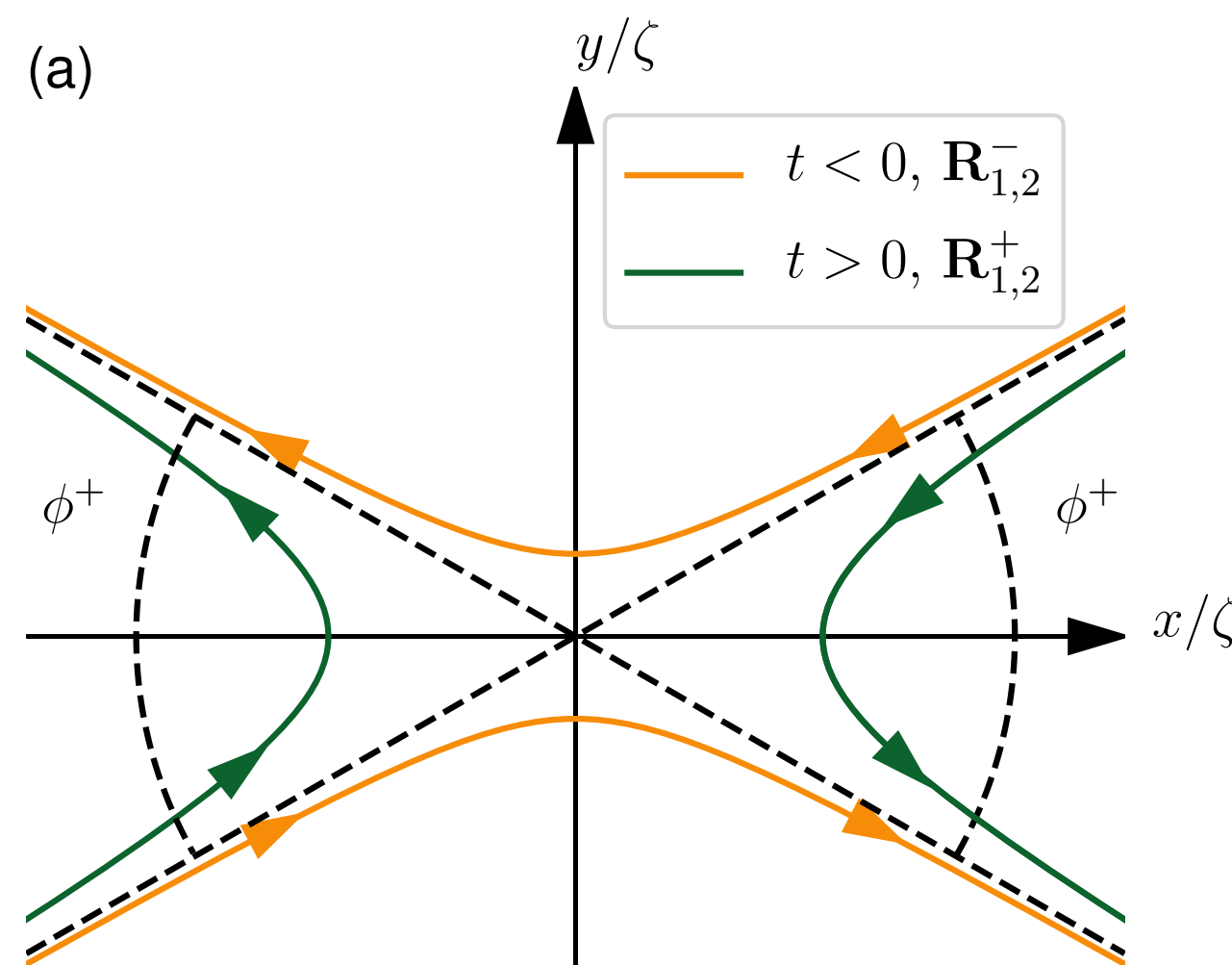
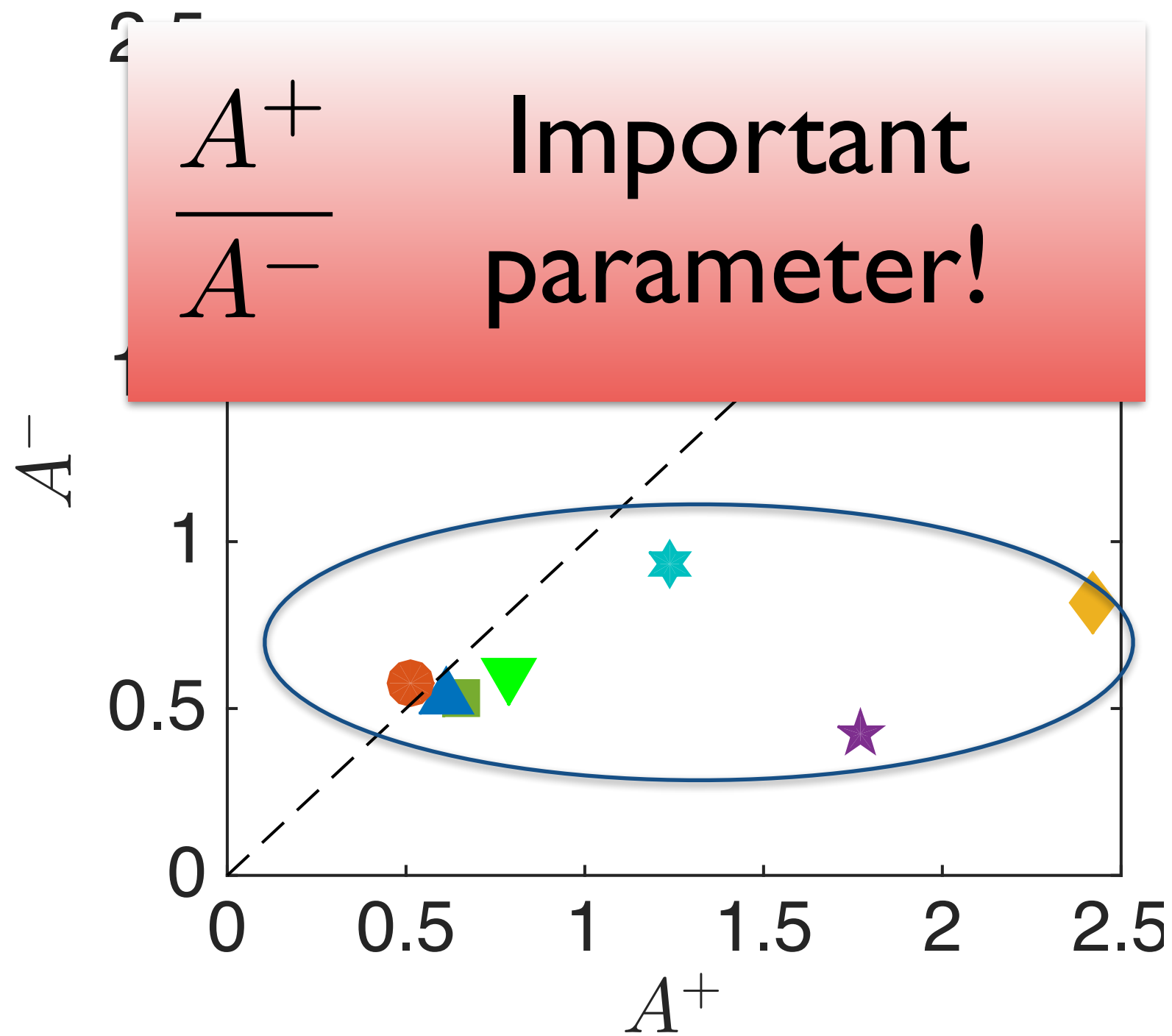
✱ $A^+ \geq A^-$: vortices separate faster than they approach

Linear (Schrodinger equation) theory:

✱ A^+/A^- controls curvature, torsion and approach angle:

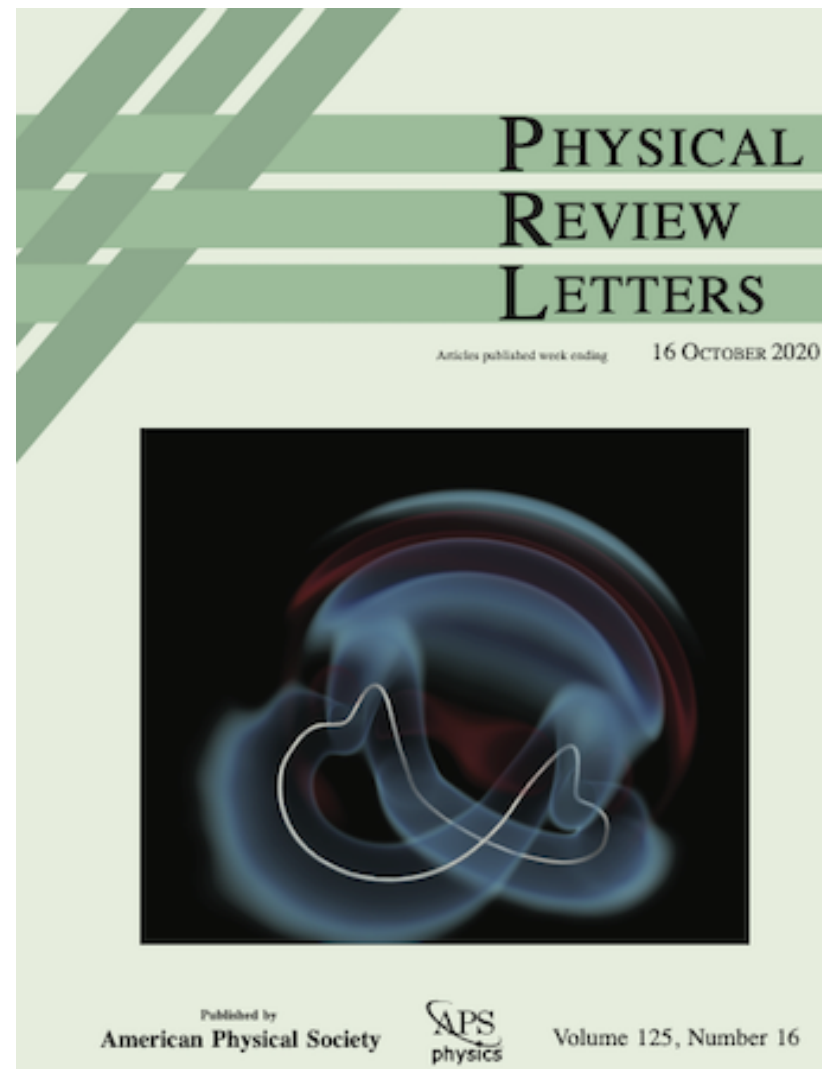
$$\frac{A^+}{A^-} = \cot\left(\frac{\phi^+}{2}\right)$$

$$\frac{A^+}{A^-} \approx 1 \iff \phi^+ \approx \frac{\pi}{2}$$



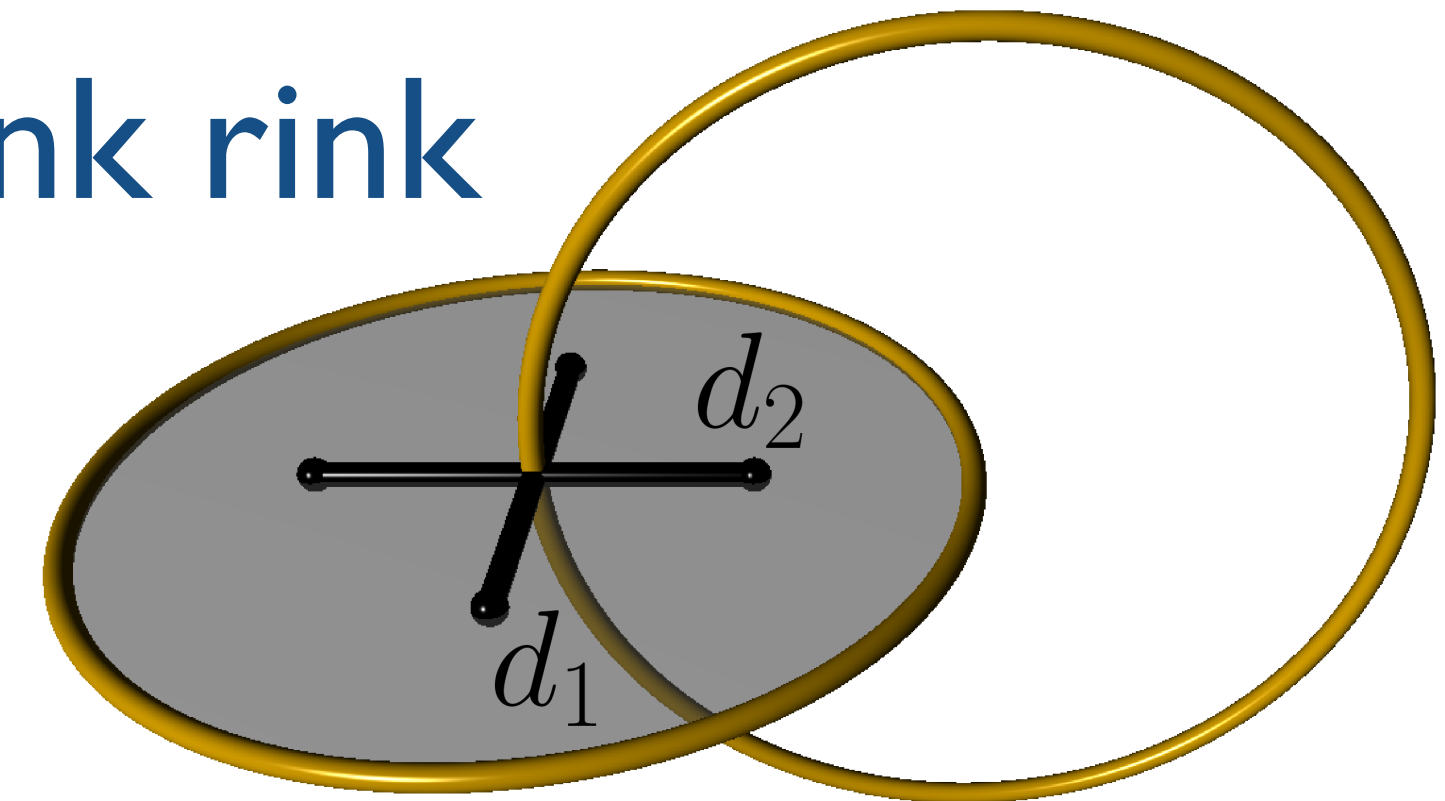
$$\delta^\pm(t) = A^\pm |\Gamma(t - t_r)|^{1/2}$$

Quantum vortex reconnections

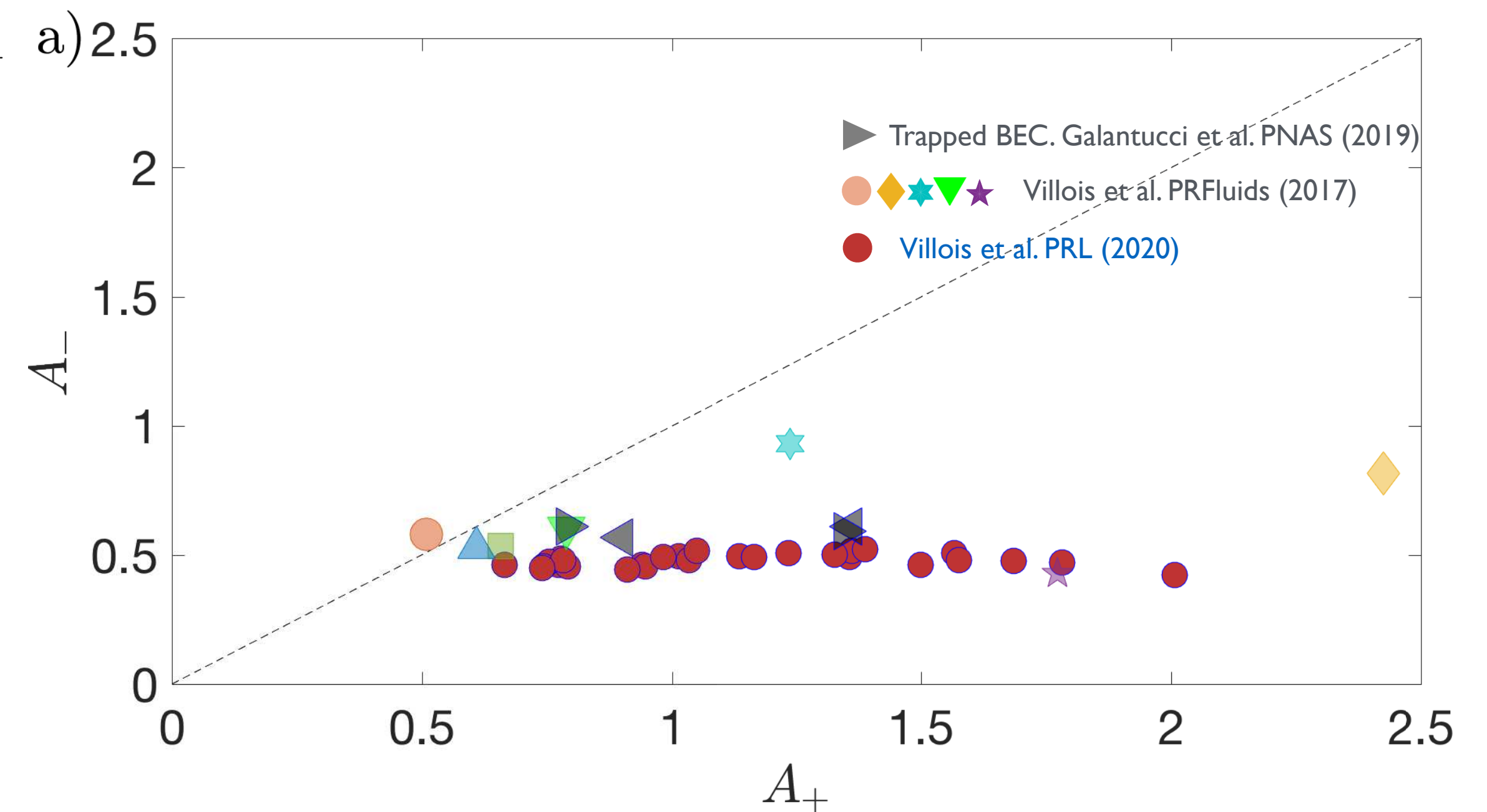
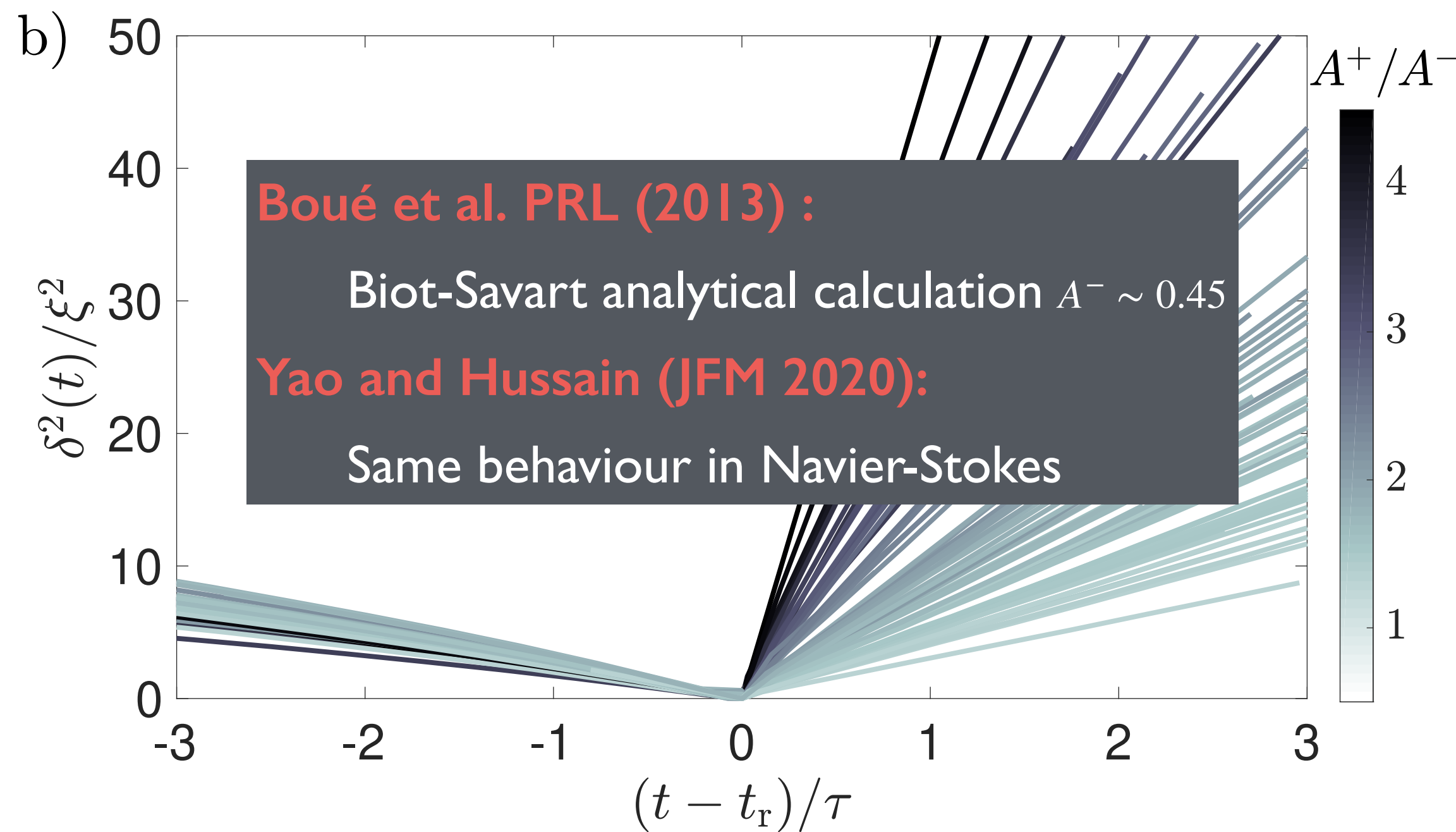


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Hopf-link rink



More than 40 reconnections

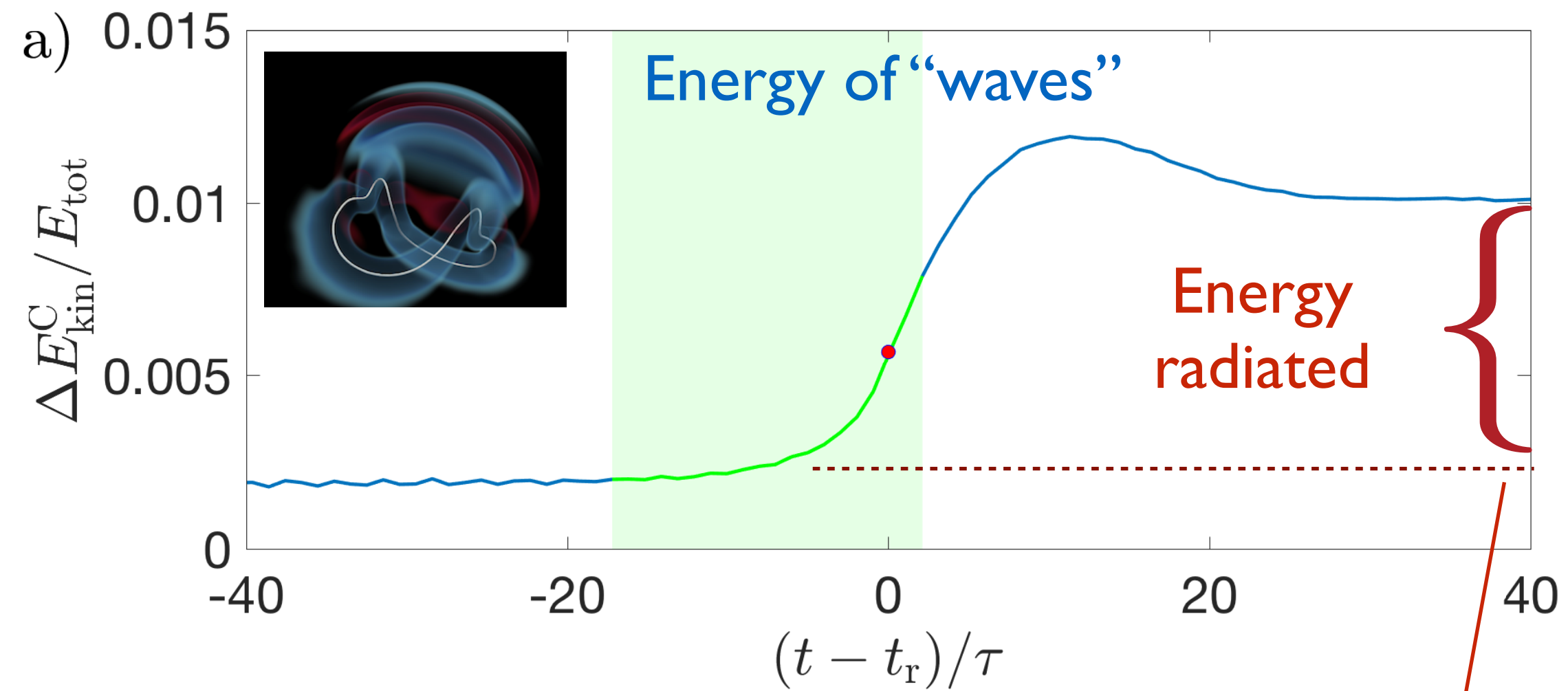


QUANTUM VORTEX RECONNECTIONS

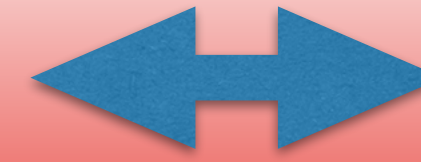
Sound emission and irreversibility

Quantum vortex reconnections

Numerical measurements

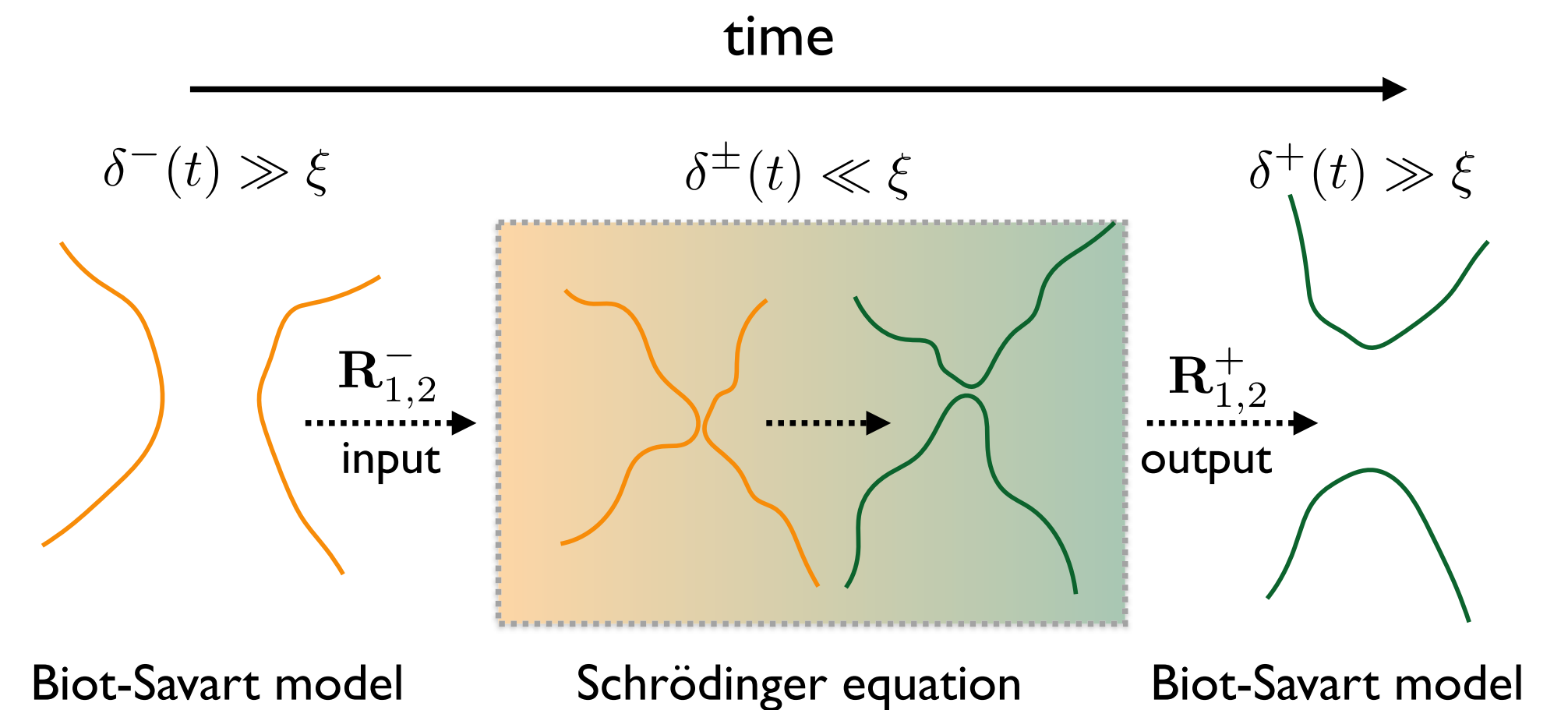


Vortex separate faster than they approach



Energy is sent away irreversibly

Matching theory

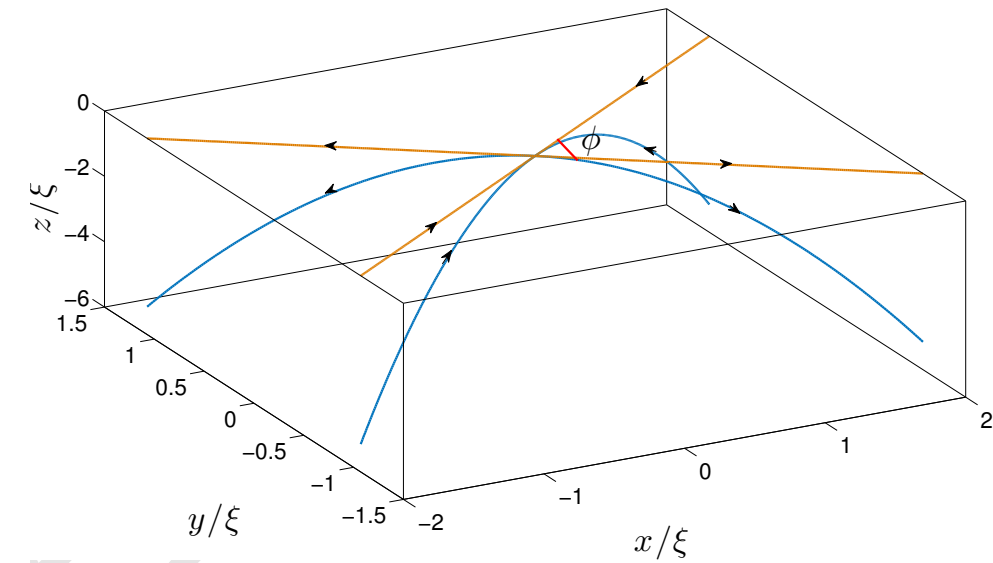


Analytical theory based on conservation of momentum and energy

Quantum vortex reconnections

A more general ansatz

$$\psi_r(x, y, z) = z + \underbrace{\frac{\gamma}{a}(x^2 + y^2)}_{\text{torsion}} + i \underbrace{(az + \beta x^2 - y^2)}_{\text{curvature}}$$



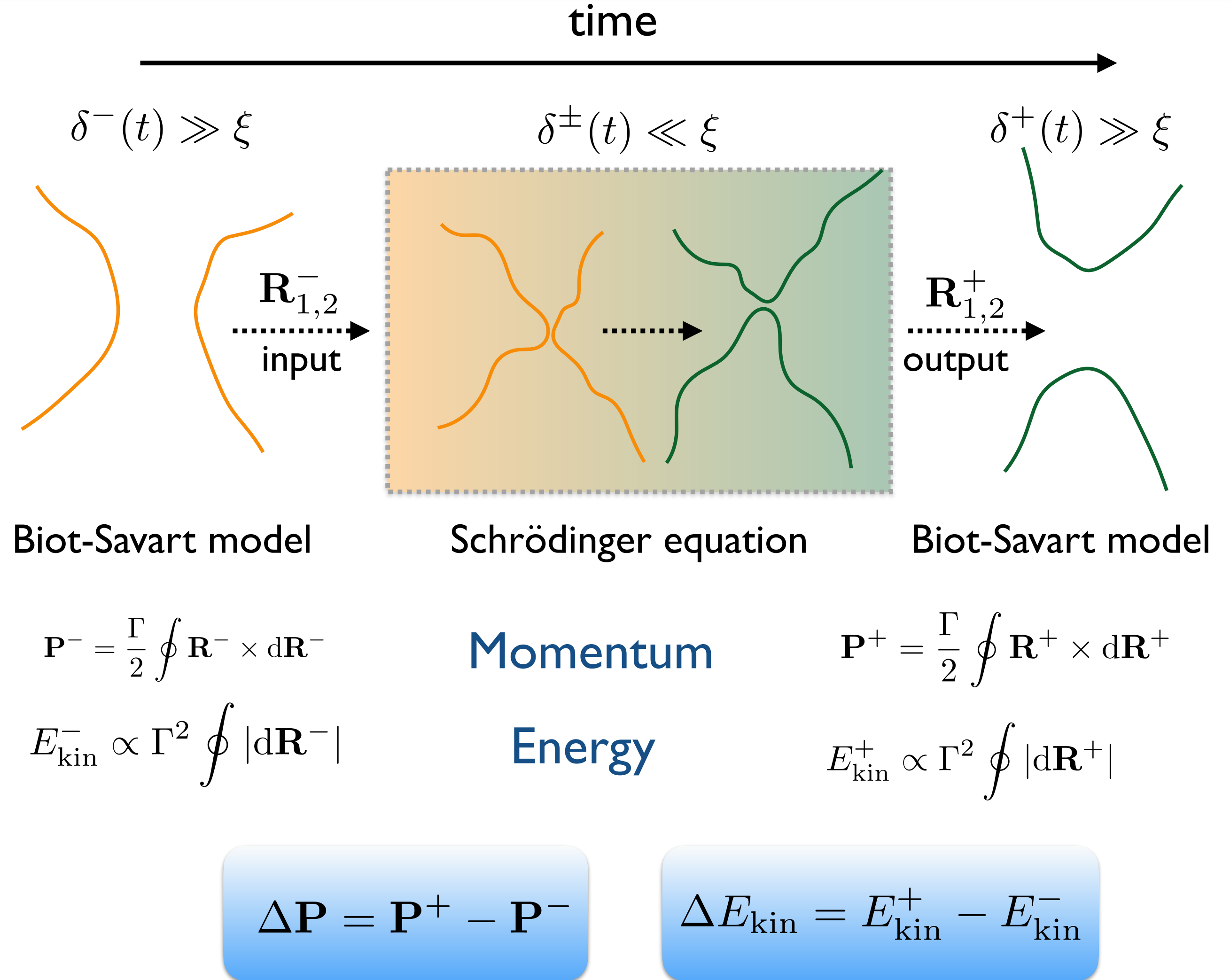
$$\psi(\mathbf{x}, t) = e^{i\frac{1}{2}(t-t_r)\nabla^2} \psi_r(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{1,2}^{\pm}(s, t) = \left(s, \pm \sqrt{\frac{(t_r - t)(a^2(1 - \beta) - 2\gamma) + as^2(\beta - \gamma)}{a(\gamma + 1)}}, \frac{(t - t_r)(a^2(\beta - 1) - 2\gamma^2) - a\gamma(\beta + 1)s^2}{(\gamma + 1)a^2} \right)$$

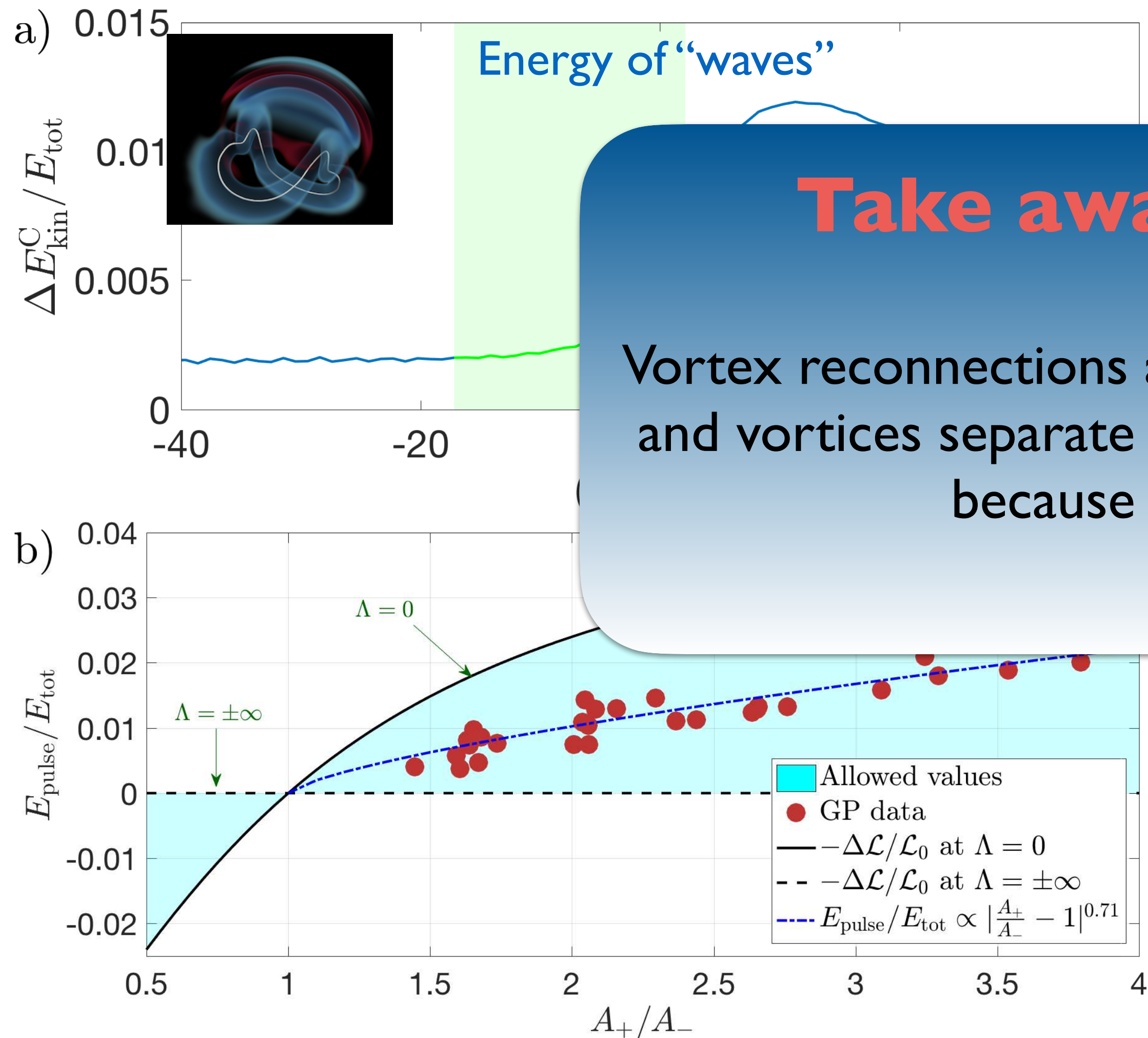
$$\delta^{\pm}(t) = |\mathbf{R}_1^{\pm}(0, t) - \mathbf{R}_2^{\pm}(0, t)| = \sqrt{2\pi} A^{\pm} |t - t_r|^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{A^+}{A^-} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \gamma}{\beta - \gamma}}$$



Quantum vortex reconnections

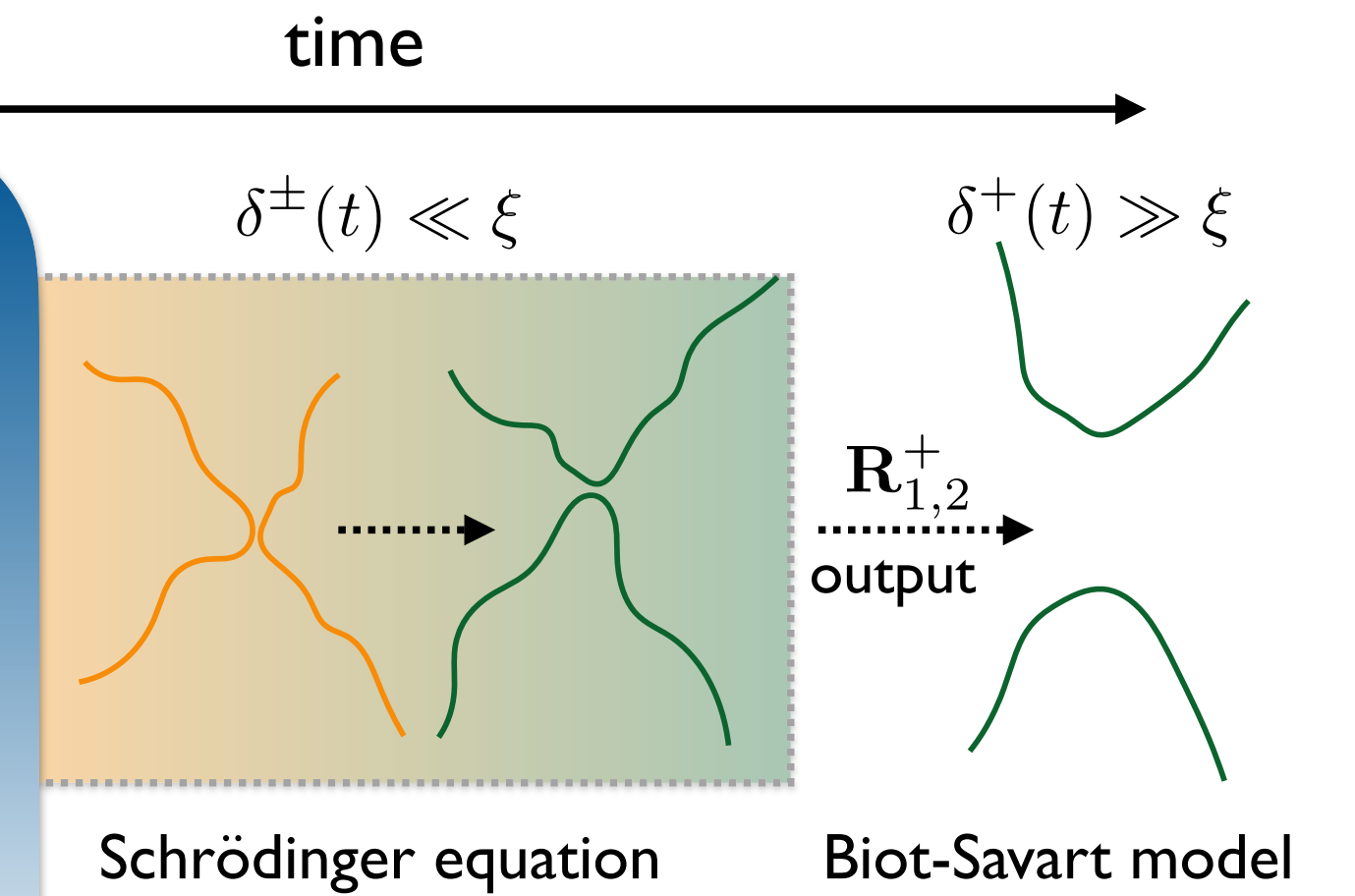
Numerical measurements



Take away message

Vortex reconnections are an irreversible process and vortices separate faster than they approach because it is “cheaper”

Matching theory



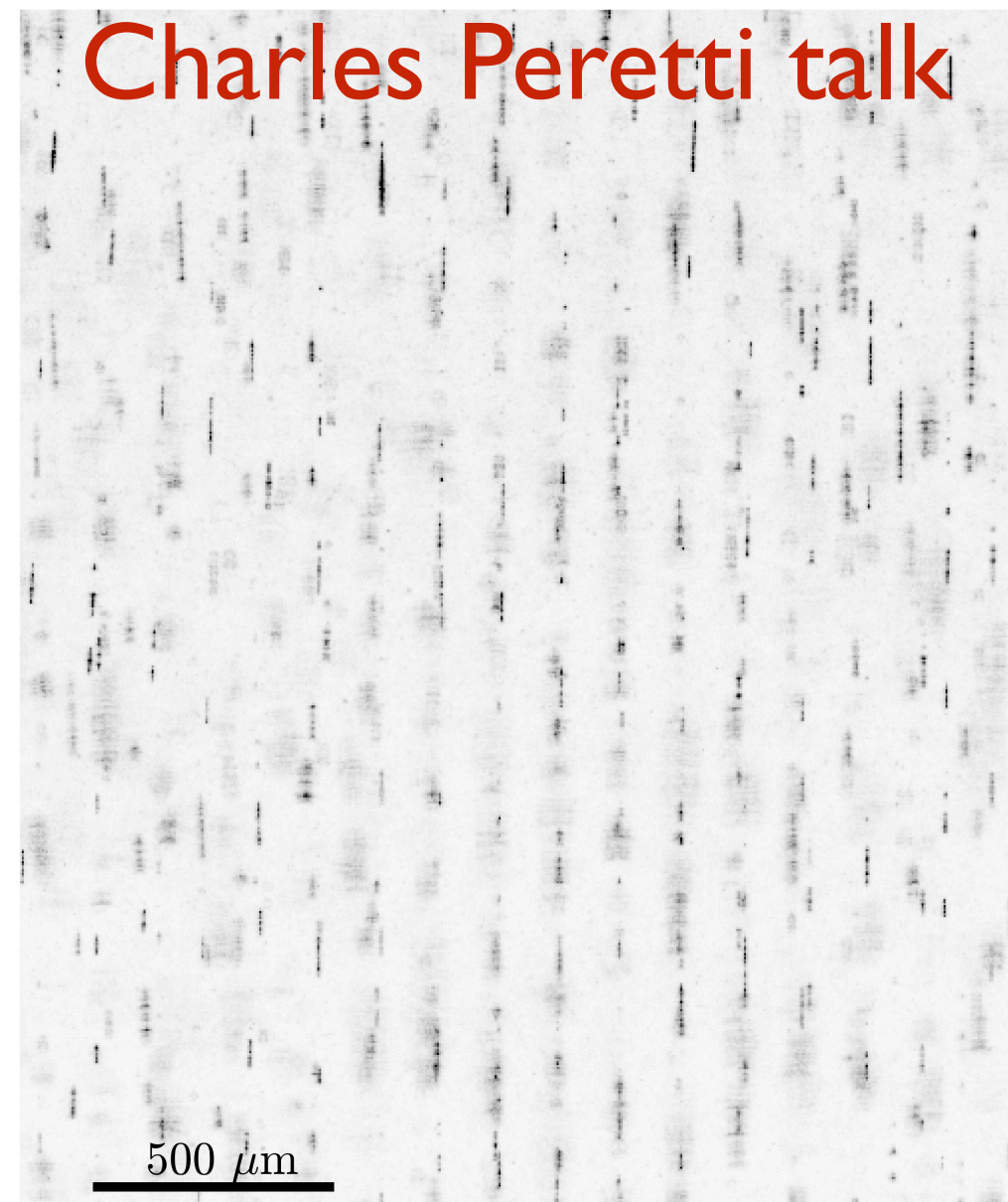
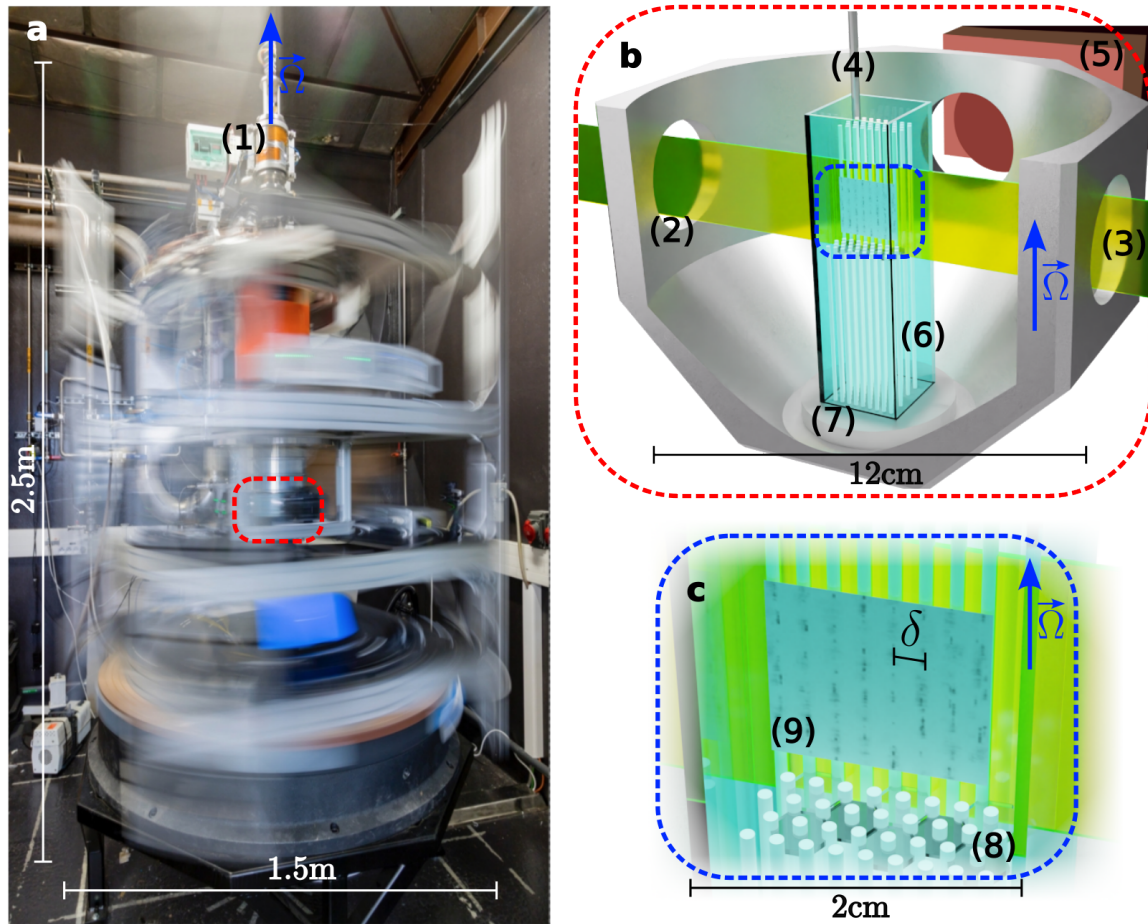
Analytical theory based on conservation of momentum and energy:

- ✳ Directionality of the pulse
- ✳ Energy radiated and geometry

Quantum VIW project

Cryolem

Mathieu Gibert
Institut Néel (Grenoble)



Recently funded project

With



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Fully cOUpled loCAI
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Turbulence.
(VF and NS)

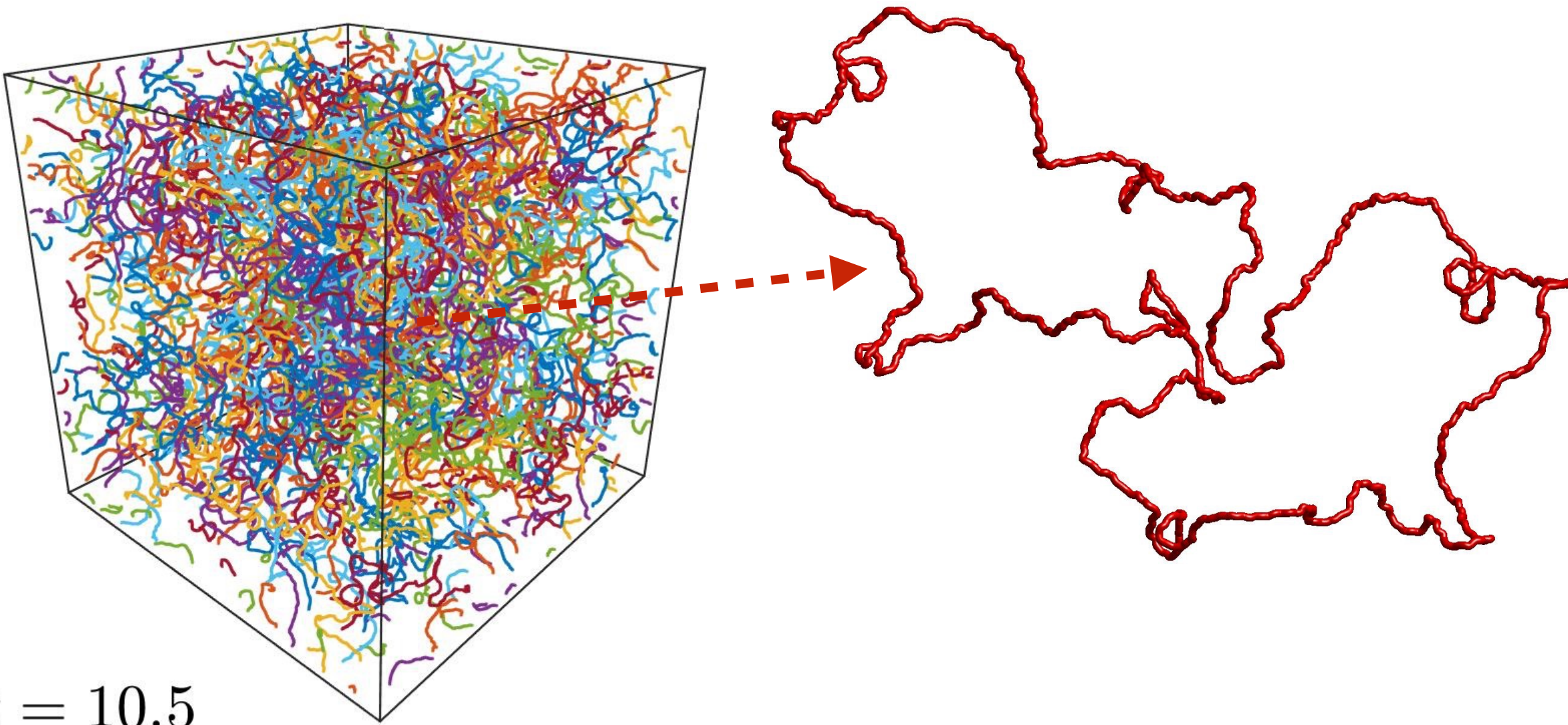


Luca Galantucci talk

Postdoc position available

Summary

Kelvin waves



Kelvin wave cascade exists and is predicted by the wave turbulence theory

Vortex reconnections

