

WEAK TURBULENCE FOR AN ELASTIC PLATE

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PLAN

- Introduction to weak turbulence & “wave condensation”
- Weak Turbulence Theory for an Elastic Plate
- Numerical simulations of nonlinear plate equations
- Conclusions & Perspectives

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for a weak amplitude deformation

$$A_{\mathbf{k}}^s = \epsilon a_{\mathbf{k}}^s e^{-i s \omega_{\mathbf{k}} t}$$

$$\frac{da_{\mathbf{k}}^s}{dt} = \epsilon^2 \sum_{s_1 s_2 s_3} \int L_{\mathbf{k} \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 \mathbf{k}_3} a_1^{s_1} a_2^{s_2} a_3^{s_3} e^{i(s\omega_{\mathbf{k}} - s_1\omega_1 - s_2\omega_2 - s_3\omega_3)t} \delta^{(D)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3 - \mathbf{k}) d^D \mathbf{k}_{123}$$

A multi-scale analysis shows that, “wave turbulence” has a natural asymptotic -over long times- closure for higher moments: the fast oscillation drives the system close to gaussian statistics and higher moments are written in terms of the second order moment

Benney & Saffman (1966), Zakharov, L'vov & Falkovich (1992),
Newell, Nazarenko & Biven (2001).

$$\langle a_{k_1} a_{k_2}^* \rangle = n_{k_1} \delta^{(D)}(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$\langle a_{k_1} a_{k_2} a_{k_3}^* a_{k_4}^* \rangle = \langle a_{k_1} a_{k_3}^* \rangle \langle a_{k_2} a_{k_4}^* \rangle + \langle a_{k_1} a_{k_4}^* \rangle \langle a_{k_2} a_{k_3}^* \rangle$$

&c.

Weak Turbulence Kinetic Equation for 4- wave resonance

$$\langle a_{k_1} a_{k_2}^* \rangle = n_{k_1} \delta^{(D)}(k_1 + k_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} n(p_1) &= \epsilon^4 \operatorname{sgn}(t) \sum_{s_1 s_2 s_3} \int |J_{-p_1 \mathbf{k}_1 k_2 k_3}|^2 n_{k_1} n_{k_2} n_{k_3} n_{p_1} \left(\frac{1}{n_{p_1}} + \frac{1}{n_{k_1}} - \frac{1}{n_{k_2}} - \frac{1}{n_{k_3}} \right) \\ &\times \delta(\omega(p_1) + \omega(k_1) - \omega(k_2) - \omega(k_3)) \delta(k_1 + k_2 - k_3 - p_1) d^2 k_{123} \end{aligned}$$

Remarks:

- The mechanism for energy exchange is wave resonance
- $\operatorname{sgn}(t)$ & reversibility

Conserved quantities

• "Mass" Conservation

$$N = \int n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) d^D k$$

• Energy Conservation

$$K = \int \omega_{\mathbf{k}} n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) d^D k$$

• Momentum Conservation

$$\mathbf{P} = \int \mathbf{k} n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) d^D k$$

• H-Theorem

$$d\mathcal{S}/dt \geq 0$$

$$\mathcal{S}(t) = \int \ln(n_{\mathbf{k}}) d^D k \quad t > 0$$

NB. on irreversibility

Stationary solutions

- Equilibrium: Rayleigh-Jeans distribution

$$n_k^{eq} = \frac{T}{\omega_k - v \cdot k - \mu}$$

- Non-equilibrium: Kolmogorov-Zakharov spectra

$$n_k^{KZ} = \frac{Q^{1/3}}{k^{(2\beta+D-\alpha)/3}}$$

$$n_k^{KZ} = \frac{P^{1/3}}{k^{2\beta/3+D}}$$

$$J \sim k^\beta \quad \omega_k \sim k^\alpha$$

Experimental evidence of Weak Turbulence in gravity (ocean) waves

Y. Toba (1973); Hwang et al. (2000).

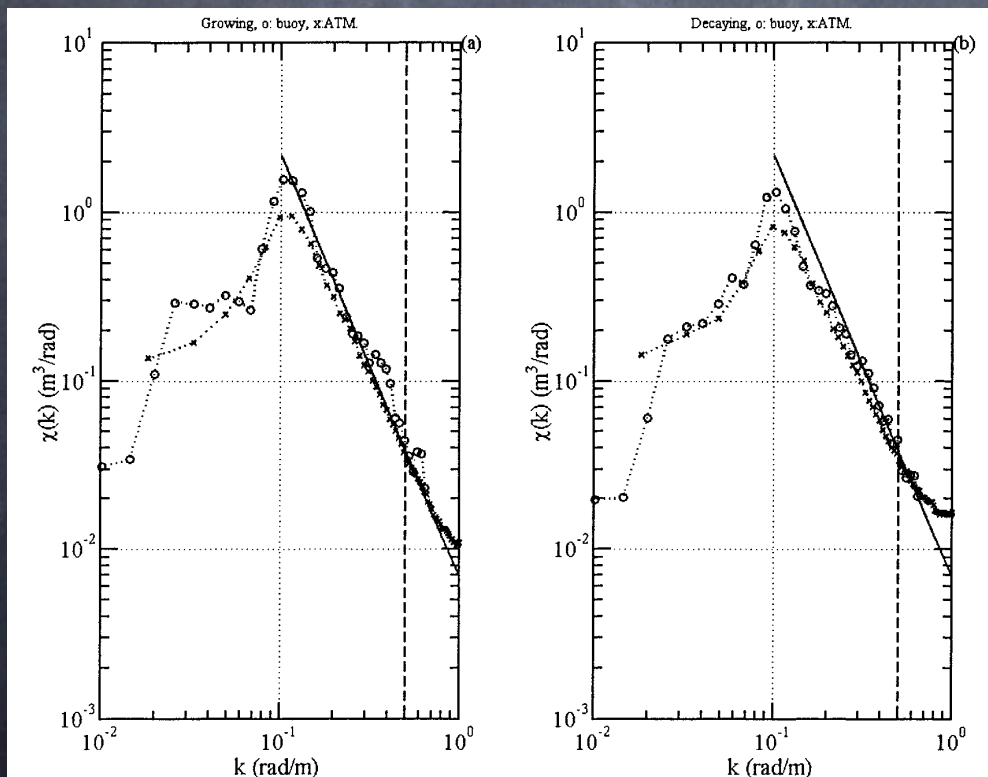
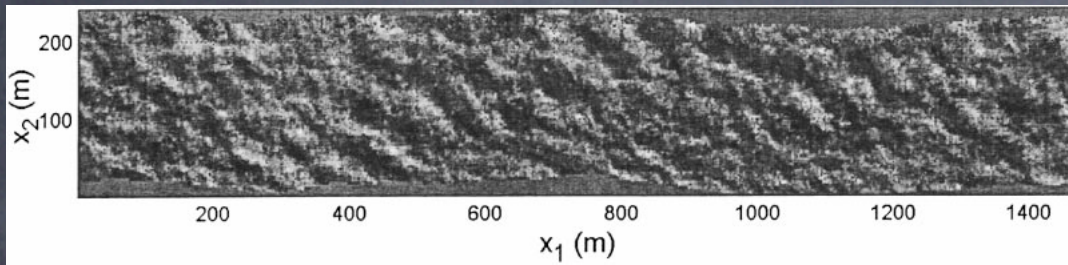


FIG. 8. A comparison of the omnidirectional spectra measured by ATM (crosses) and offshore buoy (ID 44014) (circles). (a) Average of the first 2 hours of data—quasi-steady condition, and (b) average of the last 2 hours of data—decaying wave field. Solid curves: $\chi(k) = 0.06 u_* g^{-0.5} k^{-2.5}$ (Phillips 1985).

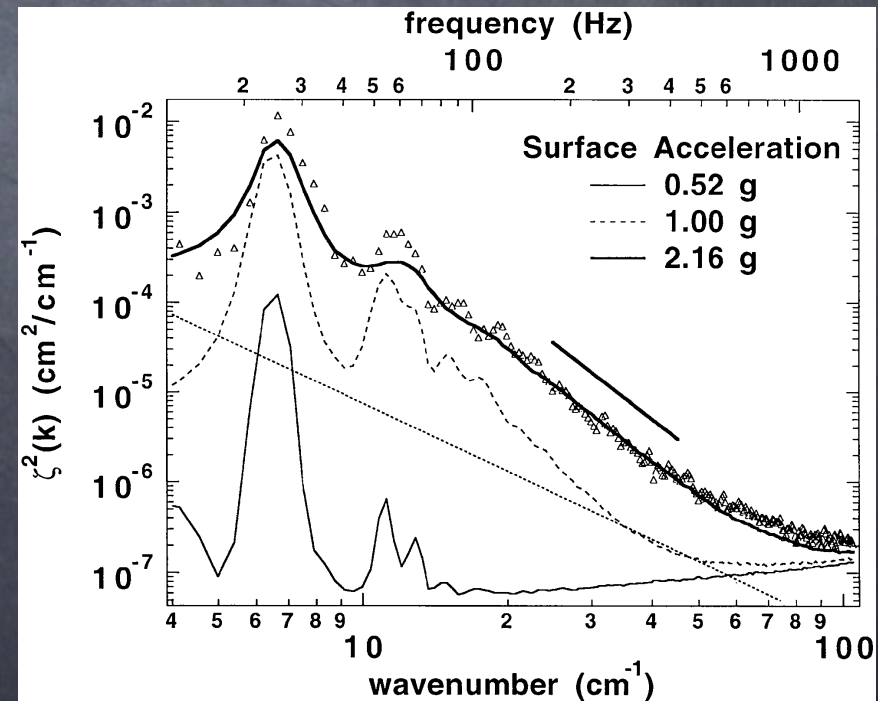
$$\langle |\zeta_k|^2 \rangle = \frac{P^{1/3} g^{1/2}}{k^{5/2}}$$

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Experimental evidence of Weak Turbulence in capillary waves

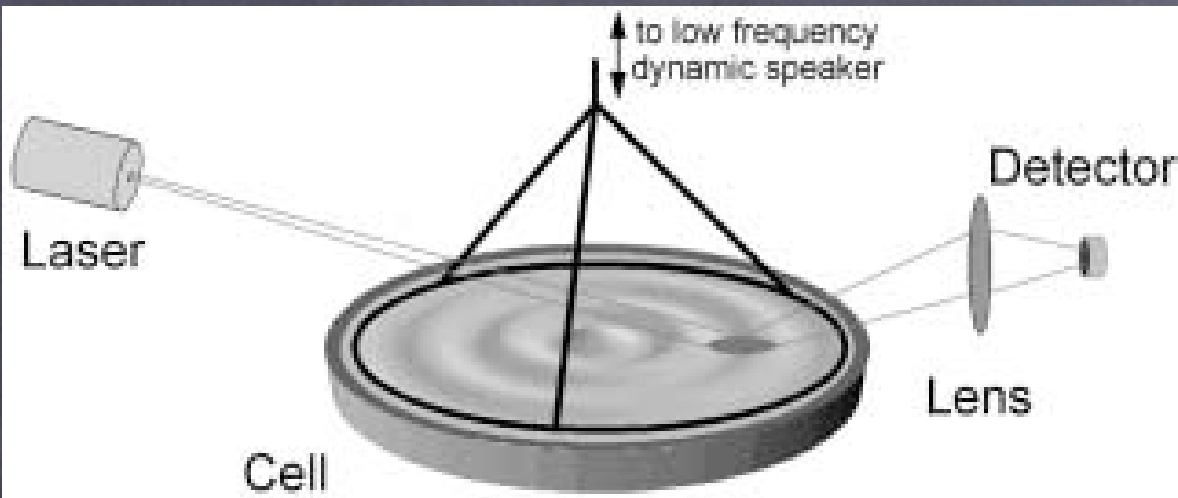
Wright, Budakian & Putterman (1996); Henry, Alstrøm & Levinsen (2000);
Brazhnikov, Kolmakov, Levchenko & Mezhov-Deglin (2002).

$$\langle |\zeta_k|^2 \rangle = C \frac{P^{1/2} \rho^{1/4}}{\sigma^{3/4}} \frac{1}{k^{17/4}}$$



d'après Wright et al.

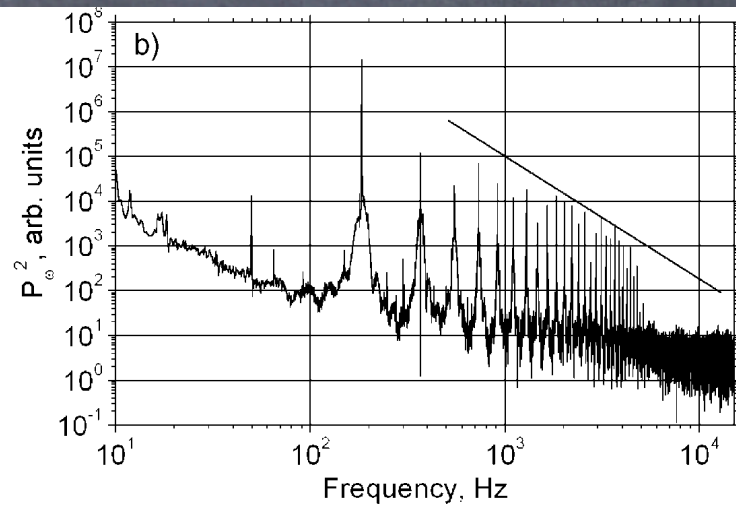
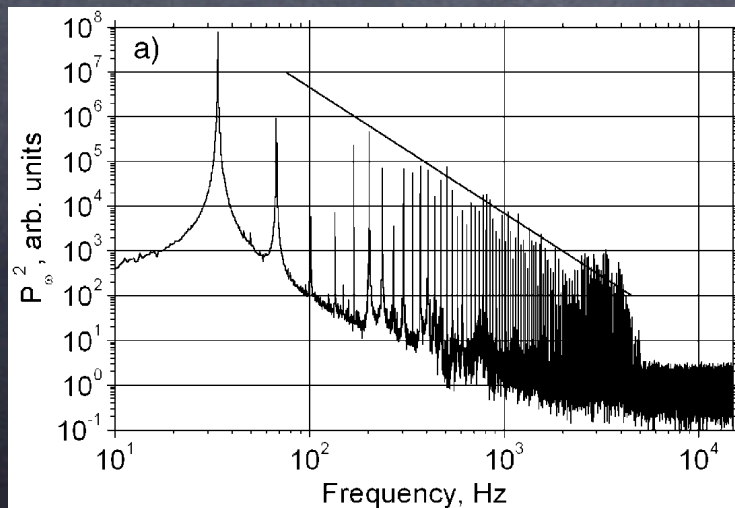
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$$\langle |\zeta_\omega|^2 \rangle = C \frac{P^{1/2} \sigma^{1/6}}{\rho^{2/3}} \frac{1}{\omega^{17/6}}$$

Brazhnikov, Kolmakov, Levchenko &
Mezhov-Deglin (2002).



slope: $-17/6$

Wave Condensation

C. Connaughton, C. Josserand, A. Picozzi, Y. Pomeau & SR (2005)

The nonlinear Schrödinger equation

$$i\partial_t\psi = -\Delta\psi + |\psi|^2\psi$$

Weak turbulence theory for NLS

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dn_{\mathbf{p}_1}}{dt} &= \frac{4\pi}{(2\pi)^D} \int (n_{\mathbf{k}_2}n_{\mathbf{k}_3}n_{\mathbf{k}_1} + n_{\mathbf{k}_2}n_{\mathbf{k}_3}n_{\mathbf{p}_1} - n_{\mathbf{k}_2}n_{\mathbf{k}_1}n_{\mathbf{p}_1} - n_{\mathbf{k}_3}n_{\mathbf{k}_1}n_{\mathbf{p}_1}) \\ &\times \delta(\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1} + \omega_{\mathbf{k}_1} - \omega_{\mathbf{k}_2} - \omega_{\mathbf{k}_3})\delta^{(D)}(\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_3)d^2\mathbf{k}_{123} \end{aligned}$$

with $\omega_{\mathbf{k}} = k^2$

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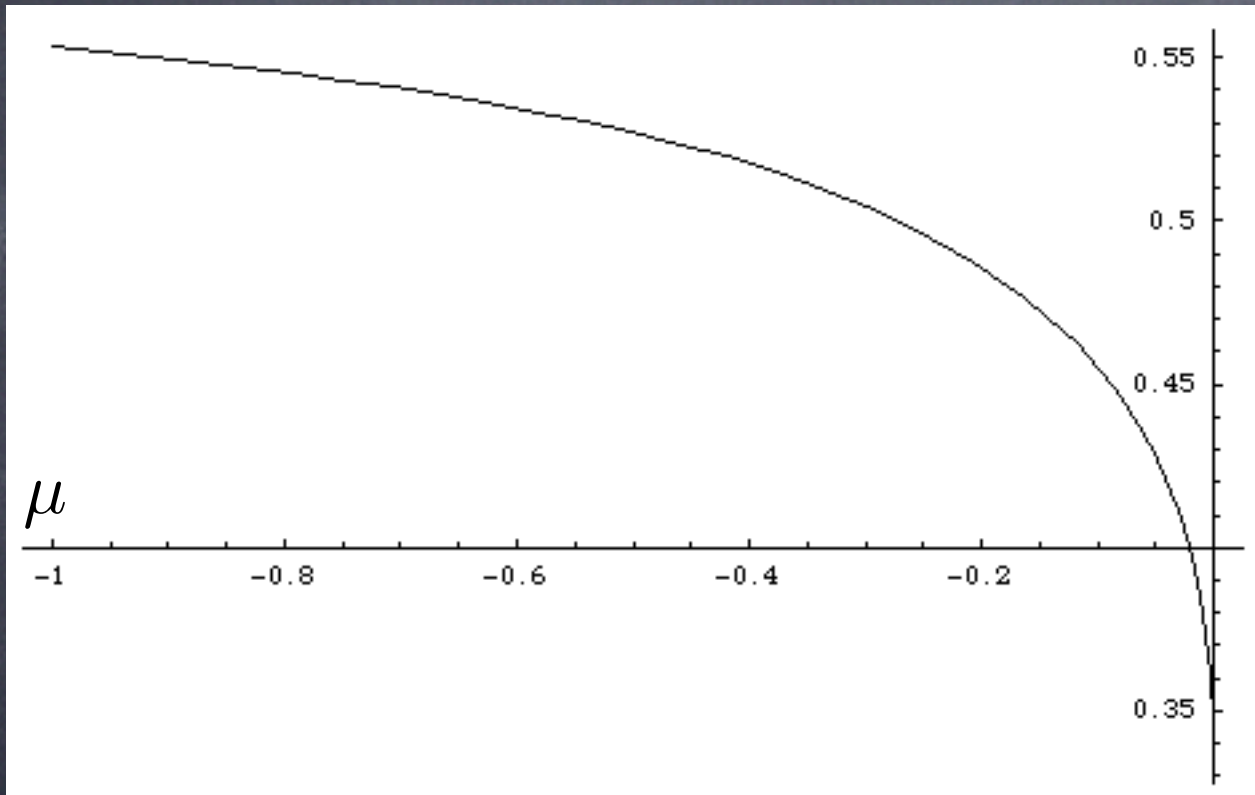
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$$\frac{N}{V} = 4\pi T k_c \left[1 - \frac{\sqrt{-\mu}}{k_c} \arctan \left(\frac{k_c}{\sqrt{-\mu}} \right) \right]$$
$$\frac{E}{V} = \frac{4\pi T k_c^3}{3} \left[1 + 3 \frac{\mu}{k_c^2} + 3 \left(\frac{-\mu}{k_c^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \arctan \left(\frac{k_c}{\sqrt{-\mu}} \right) \right]$$

Warning solution needs a ultraviolet cut-off!!!

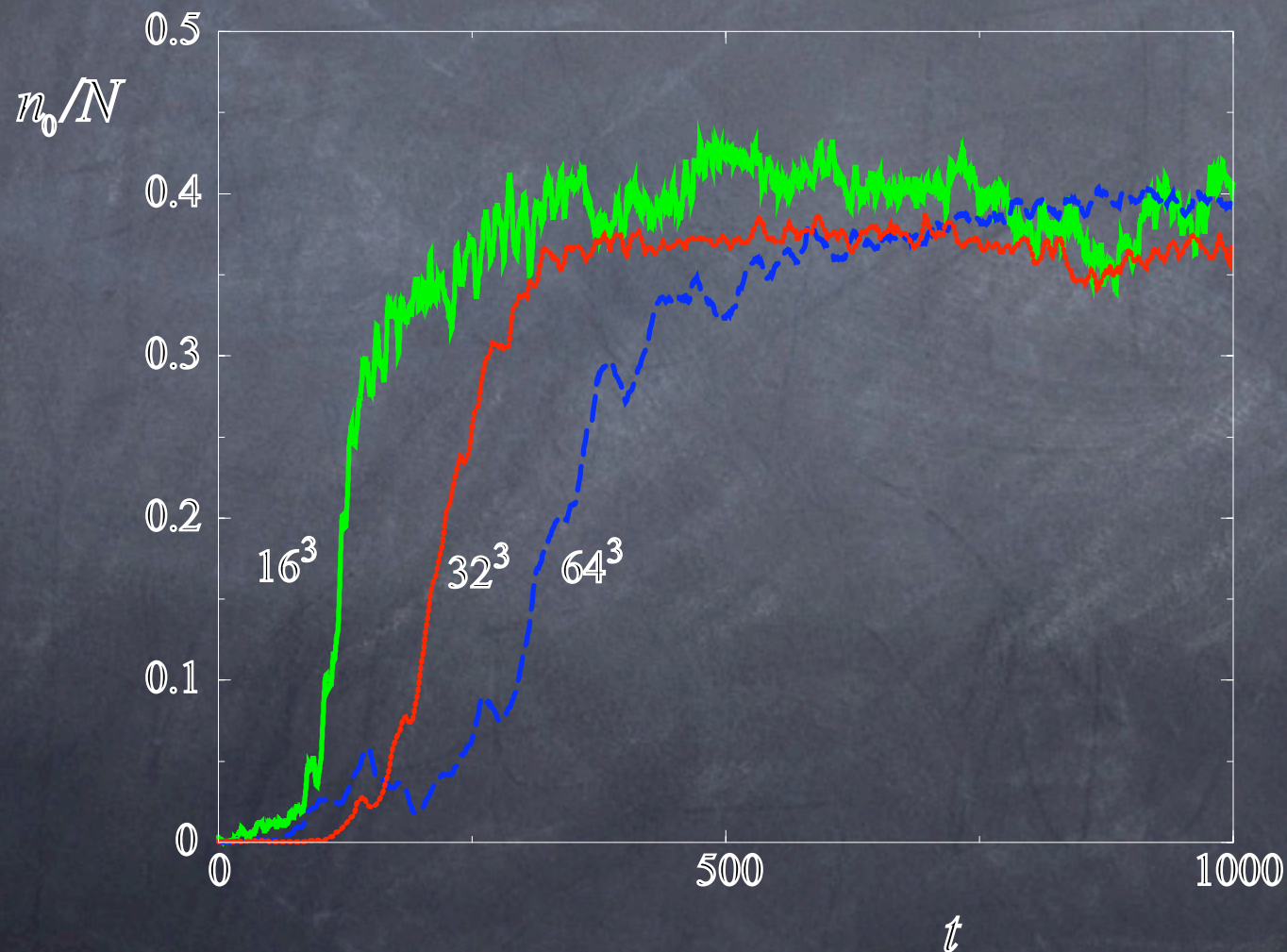
Condensation criteria in 3D



$$\frac{E_c}{N k_c^2}$$

Condensation arises if $\mu = 0$ or $\frac{E_c}{N k_c^2} = \frac{1}{3}$

Numerical Evidence of wave-condensation in 3D



Elasticity of Plates

$$\text{Energy}/h \sim h^2 (\text{bending})^2 + (\text{stretching})^2$$

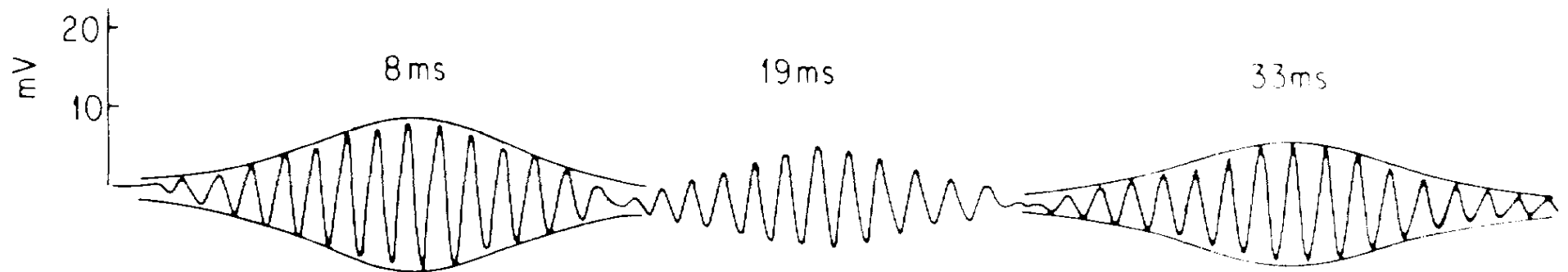
Lord Rayleigh, Theory of Sound

bending \sim linear in deformation

stretching \sim quadratic in deformation

Soliton envelope in a cylindrical shell

Wu, Wheatley, Putterman & Rudnick (1988);



Elasticity of Plates

$$h\rho\partial_{tt}\zeta = -\frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\sigma^2)}\Delta^2\zeta + \{\zeta, \chi\};$$

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$$\{f, g\} \equiv f_{xx}g_{yy} + f_{yy}g_{xx} - 2f_{xy}g_{xy}.$$

and $\{\zeta, \zeta\}/2 = \zeta_{xx}\zeta_{yy} - \zeta_{xy}^2$ is the Gaussian curvature

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-Hamiltonian evolution

$$\begin{aligned} H[\zeta_k, p_k]/h &= \int \left[\frac{1}{2\rho} |p_k|^2 + \frac{Eh^2 k^4}{24(1-\sigma^2)} |\zeta_k|^2 \right] d^2 k \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} \int V_{k_1, k_2; k_3, k_4} \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \zeta_{k_4} \delta^{(2)}(k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + k_4) d^2 k_{1,2,3,4} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$V_{12;34} = \frac{E}{2(2\pi)^2} \left(\frac{1}{2|\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2|^4} + \frac{1}{2|\mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{k}_4|^4} \right) |\mathbf{k}_1 \times \mathbf{k}_2|^2 |\mathbf{k}_3 \times \mathbf{k}_4|^2$$

Properties (cont)

-Poisson Bracket $[\zeta_k, p_{k'}] = \delta^{(2)}(k - k')$

-Bending waves $\omega_k = \sqrt{\frac{Eh^2}{12\rho(1 - \sigma^2)}} k^2 = hck^2$

Canonical Variables

If

$$\zeta_k = \frac{X_k}{\sqrt{2}}(A_k + A_{-k}^*)$$

$$p_k = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}X_k}(A_k - A_{-k}^*)$$

one has

$$[A_k, A_{k'}^*] = i\delta^{(2)}(k - k') \quad \text{and with} \quad X_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega_k \rho}}$$

$$H[A_k, A_k^*]/h = \int \omega_k |A_k|^2 d^2k + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4} \int T_{k_1, k_2; k_3, k_4} A_{k_1}^{s_1} A_{k_2}^{s_2} A_{k_3}^{s_3} A_{k_4}^{s_4} \delta^{(2)}(k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + k_4)$$

Weak Turbulence Theory for Elastic Plates

G.Düring, C. Josserand & SR. (2005).

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} n_{\mathbf{p}_1} &= 12\pi\epsilon^4 \operatorname{sgn}(t) \int |J_{\mathbf{p}_1 \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 \mathbf{k}_3}|^2 \delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{p}_1) n_{k_1} n_{k_2} n_{k_3} n_{p_1} \\ &\times \sum_{s_1 s_2 s_3} \left(\frac{1}{n_{p_1}} + \frac{s_1}{n_{k_1}} + \frac{s_2}{n_{k_2}} + \frac{s_3}{n_{k_3}} \right) \delta(\omega_{p_1} + s_1 \omega_{k_1} + s_2 \omega_{k_2} + s_3 \omega_{k_3}) d^2 \mathbf{k}_{123} \end{aligned}$$

Energy Conservation $K = \int \omega_k n_k(t) d^D k$

H-Theorem $\mathcal{S}(t) = \int \ln(n_k) d^D k \quad d\mathcal{S}/dt \geq 0$

Isotropic distributions

$$\begin{aligned} S_{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int |J_{\mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 \mathbf{k}_3 \mathbf{k}_4}|^2 \delta^{(2)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{p}_1) d\varphi_2 d\varphi_3 d\varphi_4 \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{|J_{\mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 \mathbf{k}_3 \mathbf{k}_4}|^2}{|\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3|} d\varphi_4 \end{aligned}$$

For a power law distribution

$$n_{\mathbf{k}} = A k^{-2x}$$

one has: $Coll = 3Coll_{2+2} + Coll_{3+1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
Coll_{2+2} &= \pi A^3 k^{4-6x} \int_{\Omega_{up}} k_2 dk_2 k_3 dk_3 S_{kk_1 k_2 k_3} k_1^{-2x} k_2^{-2x} k_3^{-2x} k^{-2x} \\
&\times (k^{2x} + k_1^{2x} - k_2^{2x} - k_3^{2x}) \times (k^{6x-4} + k_1^{6x-4} - k_2^{6x-4} - k_3^{6x-4})
\end{aligned}$$

where $k_1^2 = k_2^2 + k_3^2 - k^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
Coll_{3+1} &= \pi A^3 k^{4-6x} \int_{\Omega_{down}} k_2 dk_2 k_3 dk_3 S_{kk_1 k_2 k_3} k_1^{-2x} k_2^{-2x} k_3^{-2x} k^{-2x} \\
&\times (k^{2x} - k_1^{2x} - k_2^{2x} - k_3^{2x}) \times (k^{6x-4} - k_1^{6x-4} - k_2^{6x-4} - k_3^{6x-4})
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However $C=0$, thus there is a $\ln(k)$ correction

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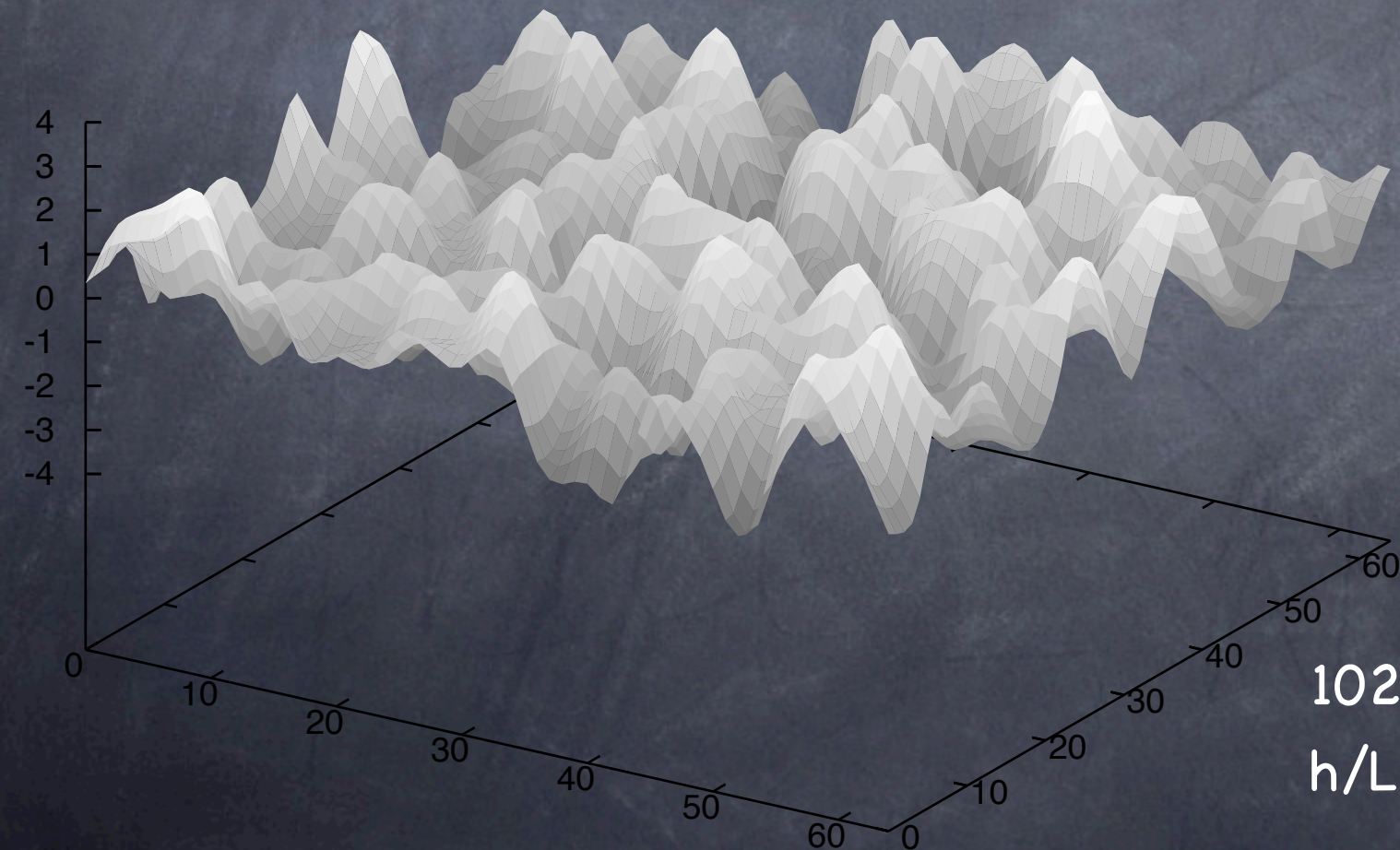
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Numerical simulation of Föppl equation

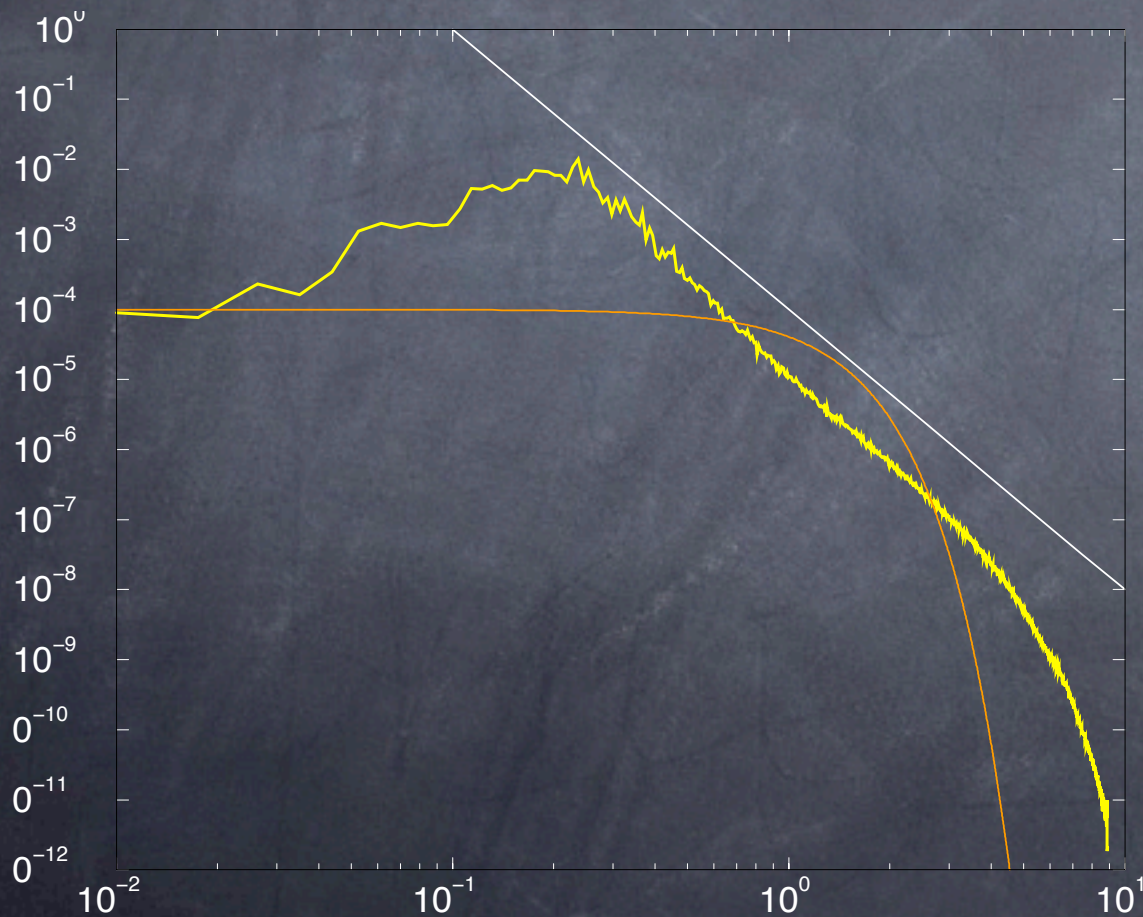


1024 × 1024

$kc = 2\pi$

$h/L = 0.001$

Numerical Evidence of the equilibrium distribution



$$\langle |\zeta_k|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\rho \omega_k} n_k^{eq} = \frac{T}{\rho \omega_k^2} = \frac{T}{\rho c^2 h^2 k^4}$$

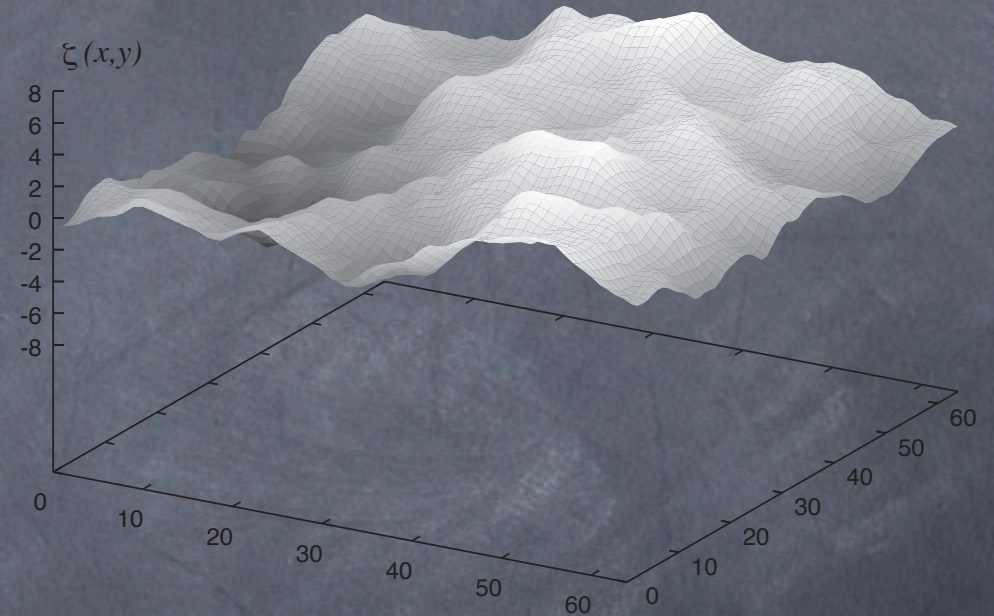
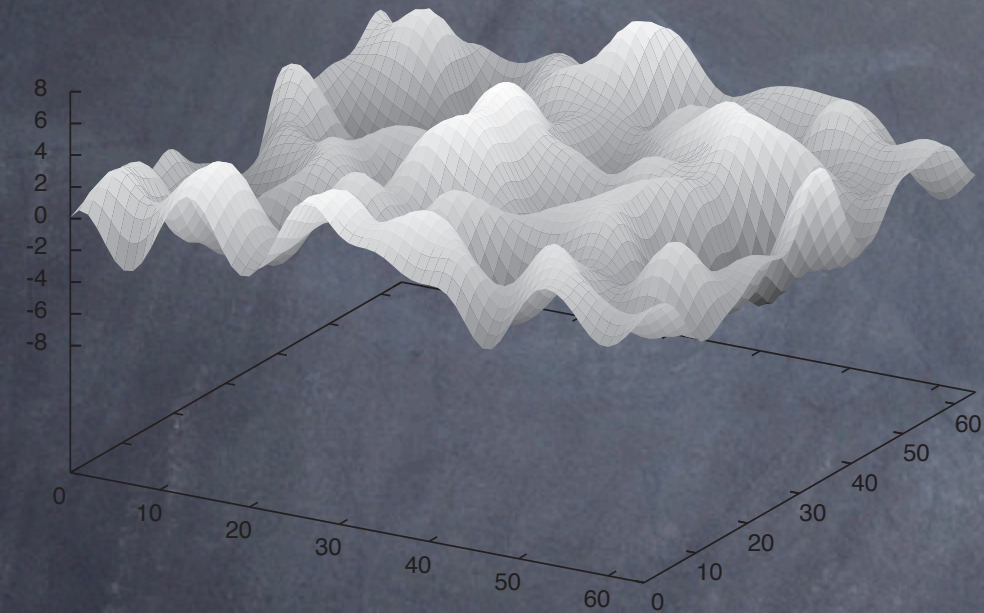
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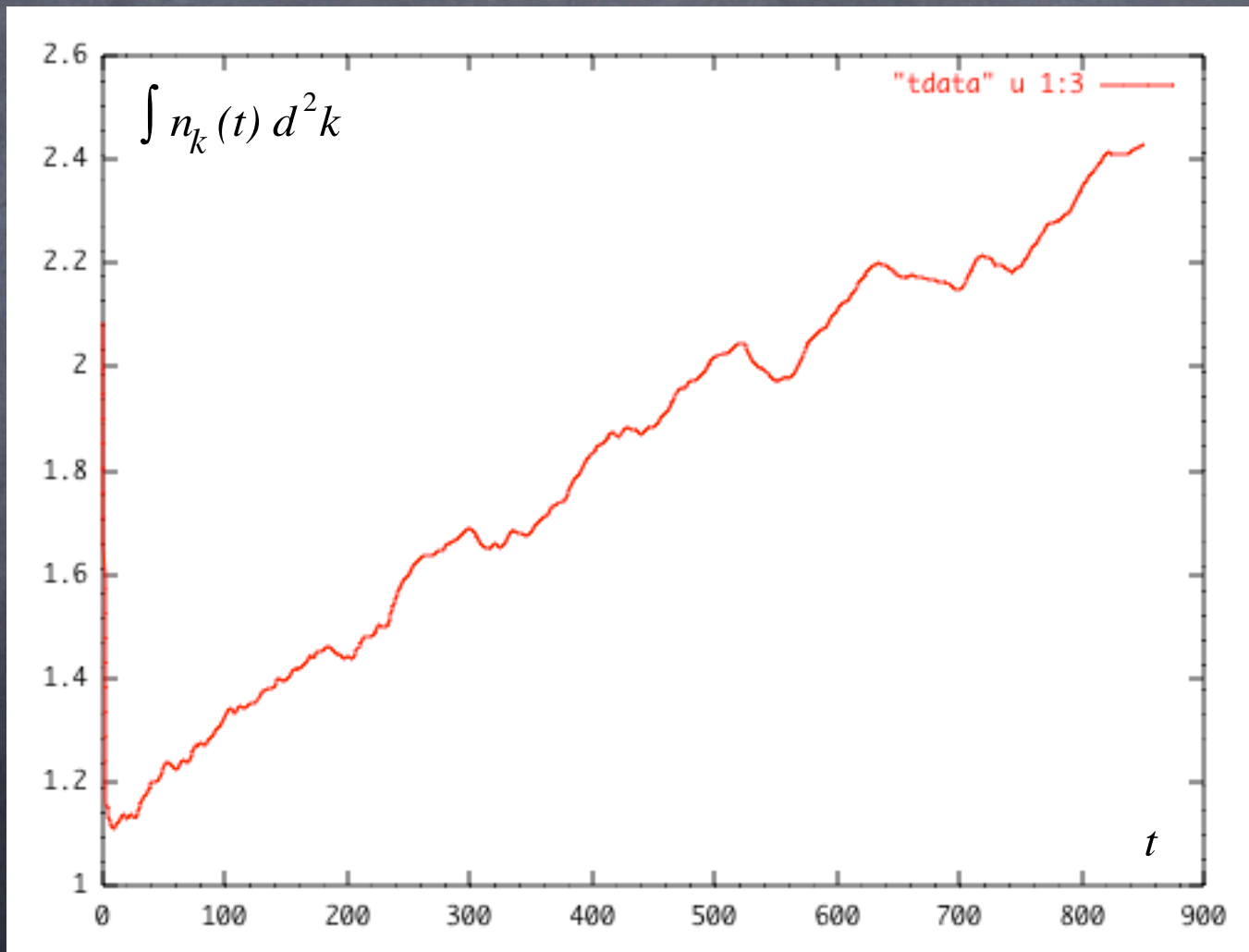
Initial condition

Later evolution

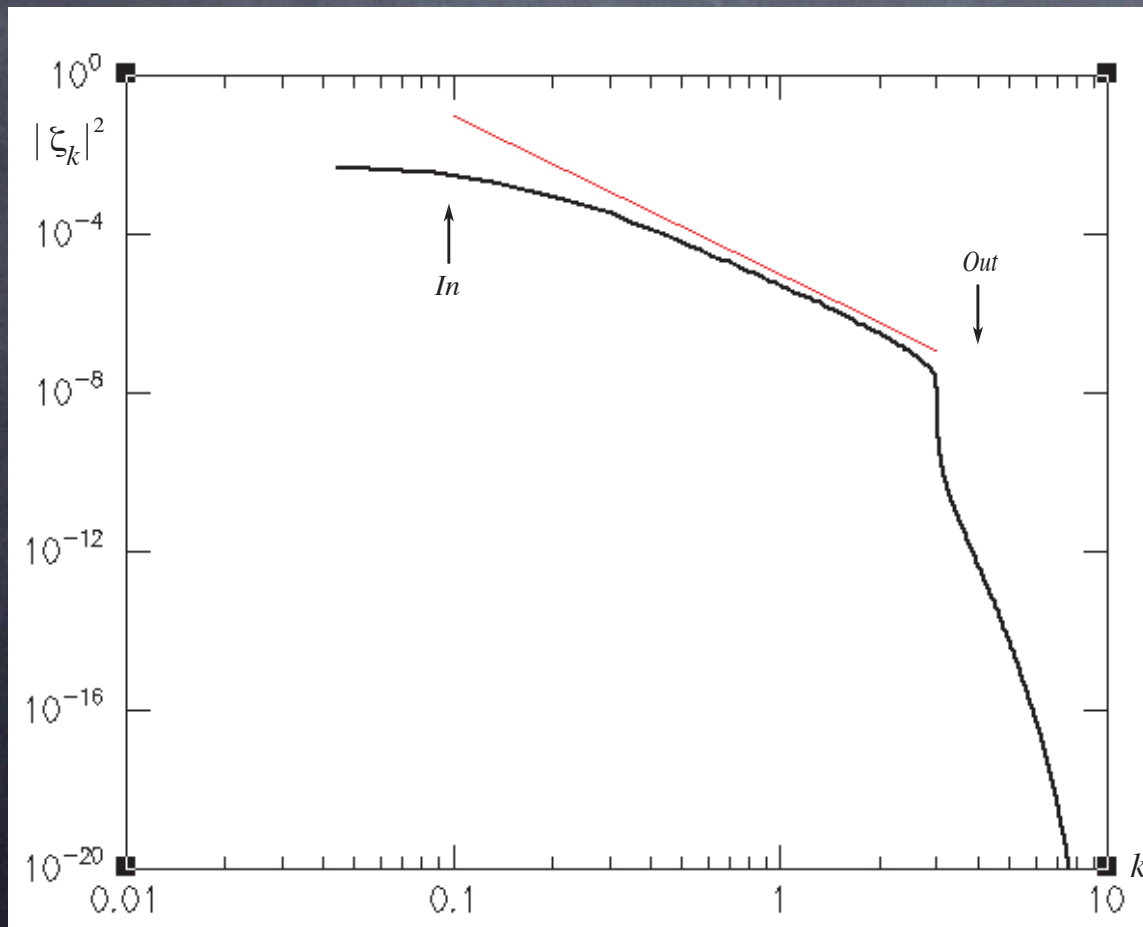


NB. Plot3D of a partial zone of the full plate.

Wave action variation in time



Numerical Evidence of the Kolmogorov-Zakharov spectrum



$$\langle |\zeta_k|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\rho \omega_k} n_k^Z$$

$$= C \frac{P^{1/3}}{\rho \omega_k k^2} \ln(k)^z \sim \frac{P^{1/3}}{\rho h c k^4} \ln(k)^z$$

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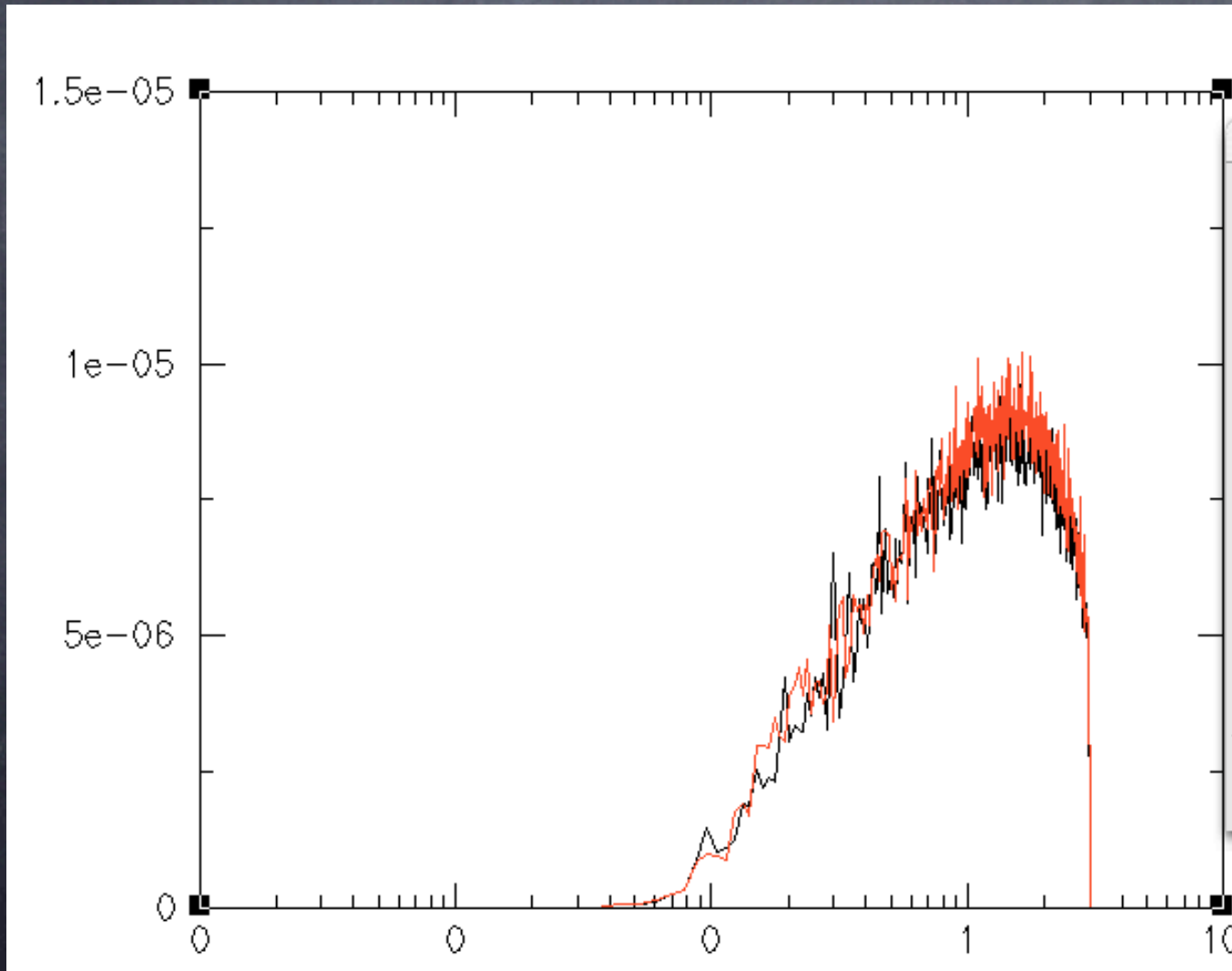
$$1024 \times 1024 \quad k_c = 2\pi$$

$$h/L = 0.001$$

$$t = 630$$

The log-correction to the KZ spectrum

$$\langle |\zeta_k|^2 \rangle k^4$$



$$\langle |\zeta_k|^2 \rangle k^4 \sim \ln k$$

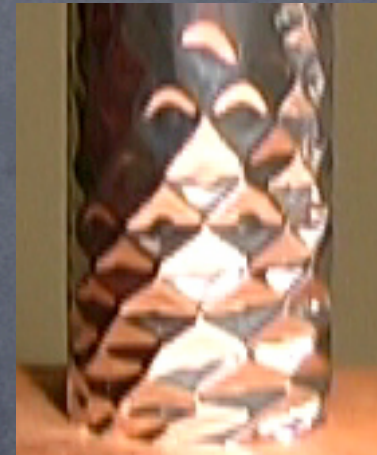
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Conclusions

- Small oscillations of a vibrating elastic plate are described in long time by a weak turbulence theory.
- Equilibrium distribution is the Rayleigh-Jeans distribution $\sim T/k^2$. Numerical evidence.
- Although there is no formal a wave action flux spectrum there is a weak inverse cascade.
- Kolmogorov-Zakharov spectrum $\sim \text{Ln}^2(k)/k^2$ is observed in elastic bending waves.

Comments & Perspectives

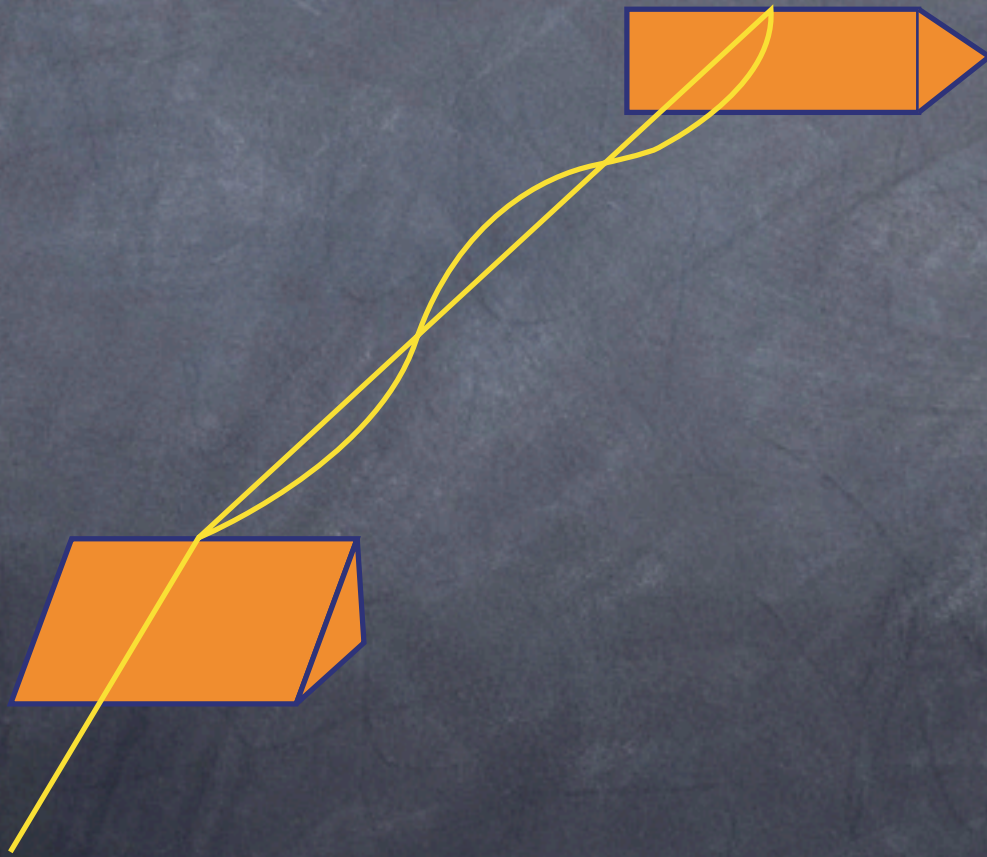
- Larger elastic deformations (ridges & cones) can arise easily breaking weak turbulence.
- Measurements of Kolmogorov-Zakharov spectrum in an elastic plate or tube.
- Measurements of Kolmogorov-Zakharov spectrum in a bass or piano string.



Perhaps... One can hear a Kolmogorov spectrum!

Experiment on a bass string

In collaboration with C. Brown (U. of Chicago), L. Oyarte(PUC), E. Cerda & R. Labbé (U of Santiago).



Thick String equation

$$\sigma \partial_{tt} \zeta - \tau \partial_{xx} \zeta - I \rho \partial_{xxtt} \zeta + EI \partial_{xxxx} \zeta + 2\tau \zeta_x^2 \partial_{xx} \zeta = 0$$

where ρ & E are the mass density and Young modulus of the material, $I = \frac{\pi}{4} R^4$ is the moment of inertia of the rod, $\sigma = \pi R^2 \rho$ is the linear mass density and τ the tension imposed to the string

Dispersion Relation

$$\omega_k = k \sqrt{\frac{\tau/\sigma + \frac{EI}{\sigma} k^2}{1 + \frac{(kR)^2}{4}}}$$