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Non-Equilibrium Duality and Universal Phenomena for Low-Dimensional Driven Open Quantum Systems

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Universality in low dimensions: 2D



- correlations

$$\langle \phi(r) \phi^*(0) \rangle \sim r^{-\alpha}$$

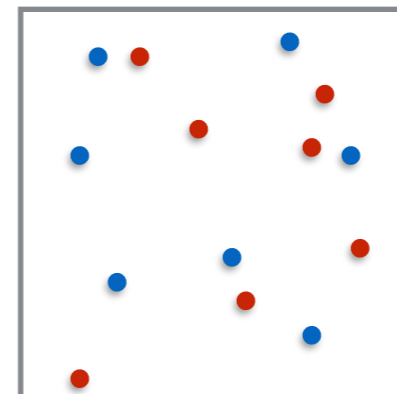
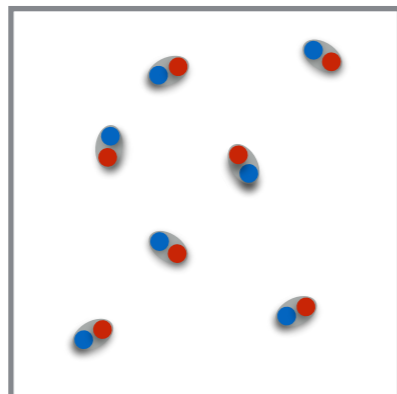
$$\sim e^{-r/\xi}$$

- superfluidity

$$\rho_s \neq 0$$

$$\rho_s = 0$$

- KT transition: unbinding of vortex-antivortex pairs

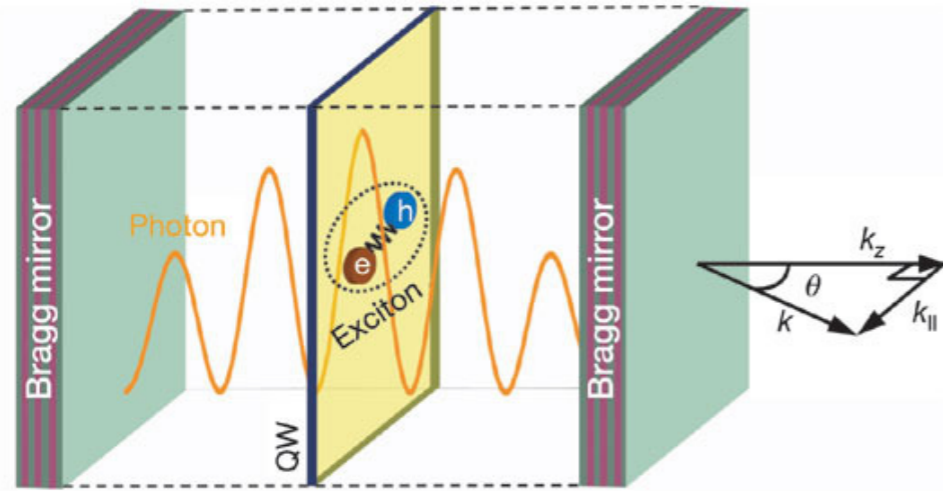


... also for out-of-equilibrium systems?

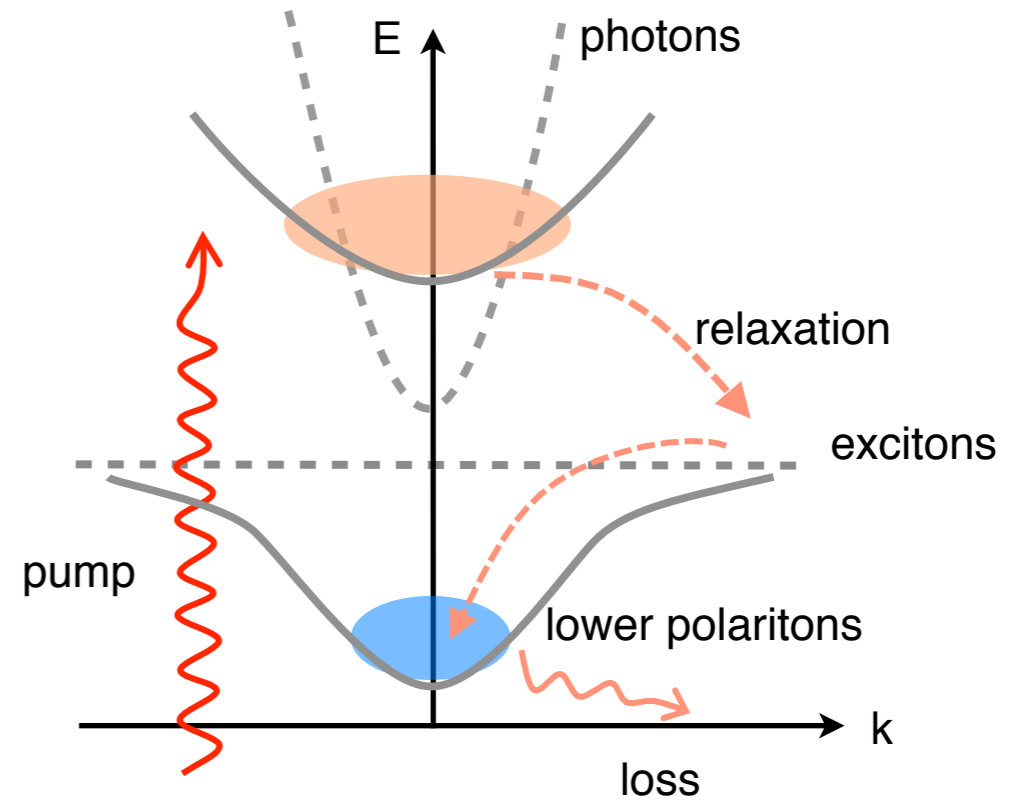
... new universal phenomena tied to non-equilibrium?

Experimental Platform: Exciton-Polariton Systems

Kasprzak et al., Nature 2006



Imamoglu et al., PRA 1996



- phenomenological description: stochastic driven-dissipative Gross-Pitaevskii-Eq

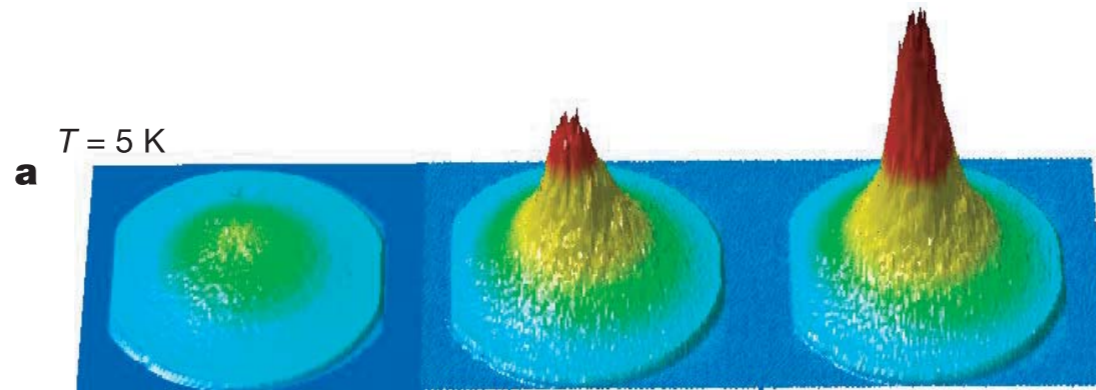
$$i\partial_t \phi = \left[\underbrace{-\frac{\nabla^2}{2m}}_{\text{propagation}} - \mu + i(\underbrace{\gamma_p}_{\text{pump}} - \underbrace{\gamma_l}_{\text{loss}}) + (\underbrace{\lambda}_{\text{elastic collisions}} - i\underbrace{\kappa}_{\text{two-body loss}}) |\phi|^2 \right] \phi + \zeta$$

$$\langle \zeta^*(t, \mathbf{x}) \zeta(t', \mathbf{x}') \rangle = \gamma \delta(t - t') \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$$

microscopic derivation and linear fluctuation analysis:
 Szymanska, Keeling, Littlewood PRL (04, 06); PRB (07));
 Wouters, Carusotto PRL (07,10)

Experimental Platform: Exciton-Polariton Systems

- Bose condensation seen despite non-equilibrium conditions



Kasprzak et al., Nature 2006

stationary state!

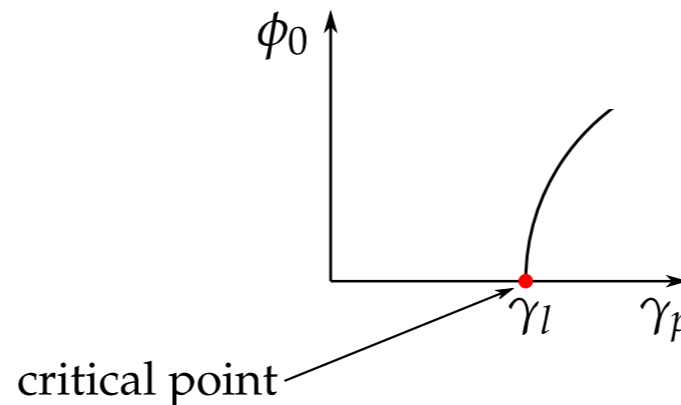
- stochastic driven-dissipative Gross-Pitaevskii-Eq

~~$$i\partial_t \phi = \left[-\frac{\nabla^2}{2m} - \mu + i(\gamma_p - \gamma_l) + (\lambda - i\kappa) |\phi|^2 \right] \phi + \xi$$~~

Szymanska, Keeling, Littlewood PRL (04, 06); PRB (07)); Wouters, Carusotto PRL (07,10)

- mean field

- neglect noise
- homogeneous solution $\phi(\mathbf{x}, t) = \phi_0$



- naively, just as Bose condensation in equilibrium!
- Q: What is “non-equilibrium” about it?

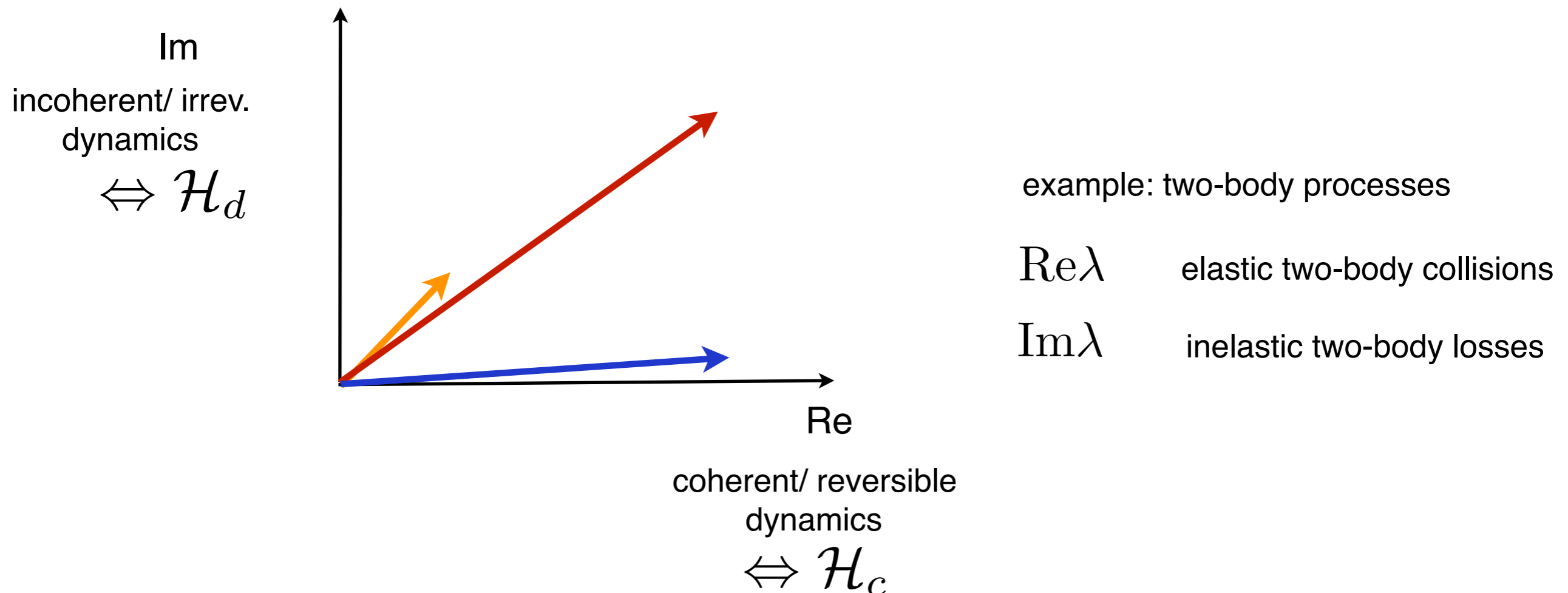
“What is non-equilibrium about it?”

- rewrite driven-dissipative Gross-Pitaevski equation

$$i\partial_t\phi_c = \frac{\delta\mathcal{H}_c}{\delta\phi_c^*} - i\frac{\delta\mathcal{H}_d}{\delta\phi_c^*} + \xi$$

$$\mathcal{H}_\alpha = \int d^d x [r_\alpha |\phi_c|^2 + K_\alpha |\nabla\phi_c|^2 + \lambda_\alpha |\phi_c^*\phi_c|^4], \quad \alpha = c, d$$

- couplings located in the complex plane:



“What is non-equilibrium about it?": Field theory

- Representation of stochastic Langevin dynamics as MSRJD functional integral

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi_c, \phi_c^*, \phi_q, \phi_q^*] e^{iS[\phi_c, \phi_c^*, \phi_q, \phi_q^*]}$$

$$S = \int_{t, \mathbf{x}} \left\{ \phi_q^* \frac{\delta \bar{S}[\phi_c]}{\delta \phi_c^*} + c.c. + i2\gamma \phi_q^* \phi_q \right\} \quad \bar{S} = \int_{t, \mathbf{x}} \{ \phi_c^* i\partial_t \phi_c - \mathcal{H}_c + i\mathcal{H}_d \}$$

- Equilibrium conditions signalled by presence of symmetry under:

H. K. Janssen (1976); C. Aron et al, J Stat. Mech (2011)

$$\mathcal{T}_\beta \phi_c(t, \mathbf{x}) = \phi_c^*(-t, \mathbf{x}),$$

generalisation to quantum systems (Keldysh functional integral)

$$\mathcal{T}_\beta \phi_q(t, \mathbf{x}) = \phi_q^*(-t, \mathbf{x}) + \frac{i}{2T} \partial_t \phi_c^*(-t, \mathbf{x})$$

L. Sieberer, A. Chiochetta, U. Tauber, A. Gambassi, SD, PRB (2015)

- Implication 1 [equivalence]: (classical) fluctuation-dissipation

$$\underbrace{\langle \phi_c(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \phi_c^*(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \rangle}_{\text{correlations}} = \frac{2T}{\omega} \underbrace{[\langle \phi_c(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \phi_q^*(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \rangle - \langle \phi_c(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \phi_q^*(\omega, \mathbf{q}) \rangle]_{\text{imaginary part}}}_{\text{responses (imaginary part)}}$$

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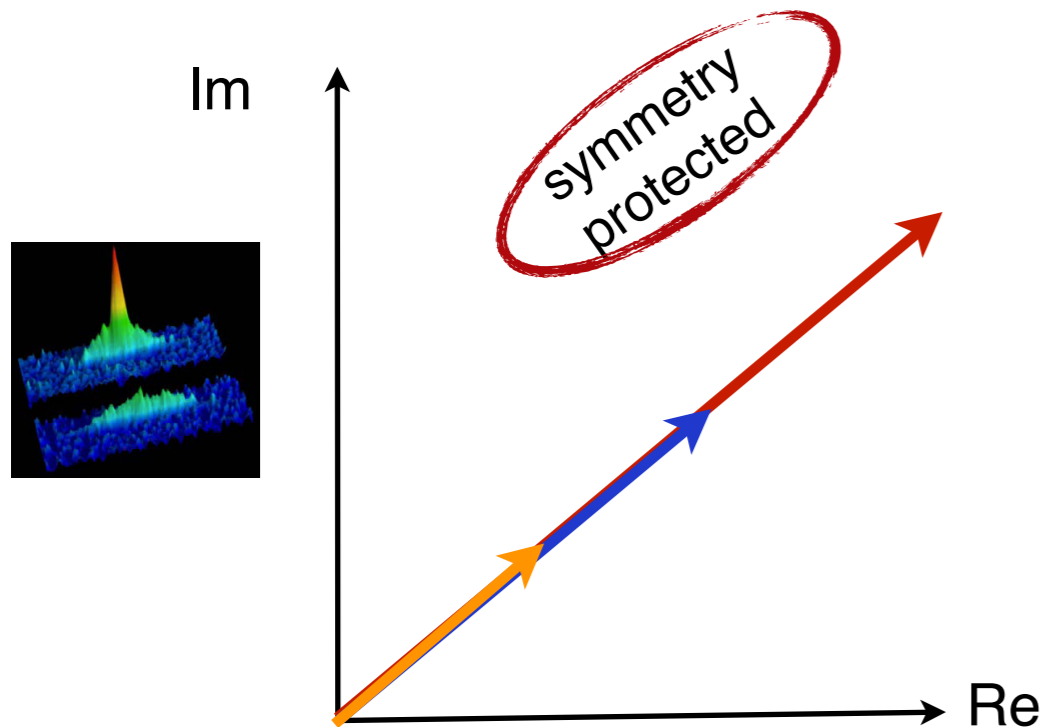
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➔ equilibrium conditions as a symmetry

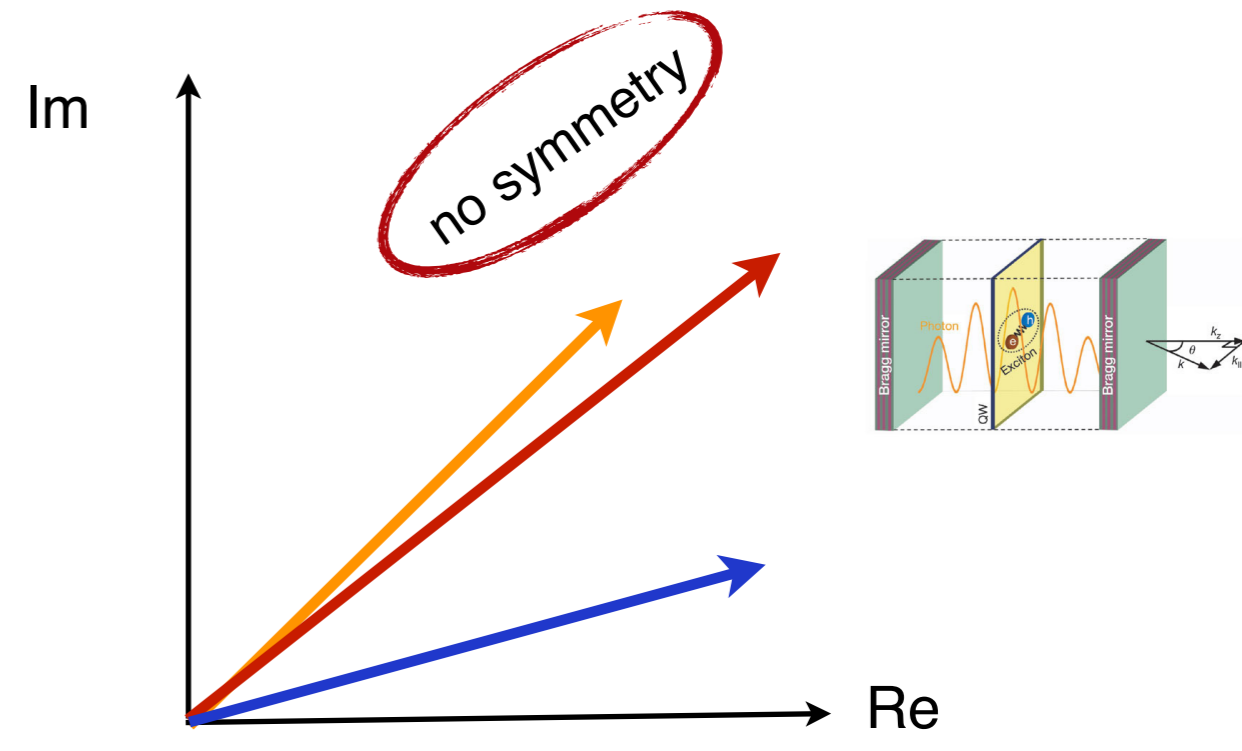
“What is non-equilibrium about it?”: Geometric interpretation

- Implication 2: geometric constraint

equilibrium dynamics



non-equilibrium dynamics



- coherent and dissipative dynamics may occur simultaneously
- but they are not independent

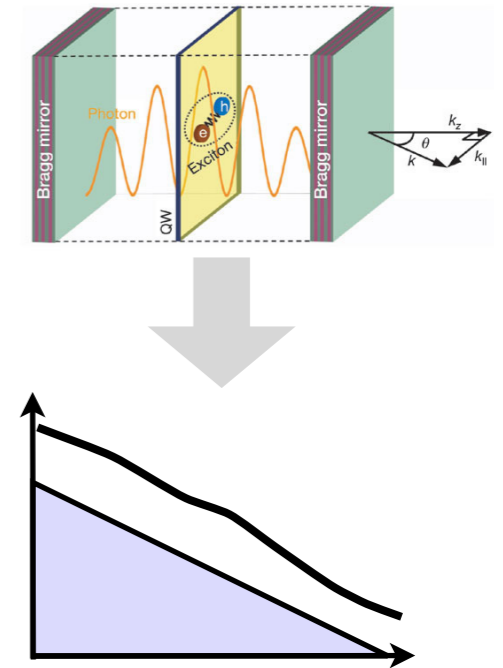
- coherent and driven-dissipative dynamics do occur simultaneously
- they result from **different** dynamical resources

➔ what are the physical consequences of the spread in the complex plane?

Outline

- mapping of the driven-dissipative GPE to KPZ-type equation
- fundamental difference to conventional context:

KPZ variable: condensate phase, **compact**



→ **weak** non-equilibrium drive: two competing scales

- smooth non-equilibrium fluctuations -> emergent KPZ length scale L_*
- non-equilibrium vortex physics -> emergent length scale L_v

- **result**: different order in 2D and 1D

→ **strong** non-equilibrium drive: new first order phase transition (one dimension)

Low frequency phase dynamics

- driven-dissipative stochastic GPE

$$i\partial_t\phi = \left[-\frac{\nabla^2}{2m} - \mu + i(\gamma_p - \gamma_l) + (\lambda - i\kappa) |\phi|^2 \right] \phi + \zeta$$

- integrate out fast amplitude fluctuations: $\phi(\mathbf{x}, t) = (M_0 + \chi(\mathbf{x}, t))e^{i\theta(\mathbf{x}, t)}$

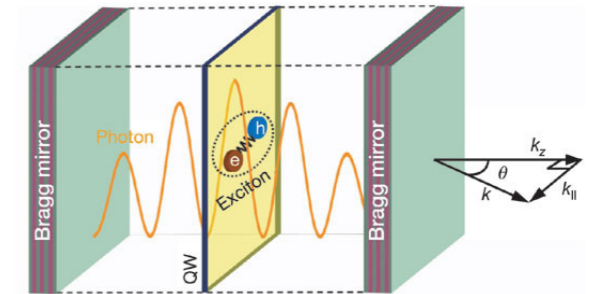
$$\partial_t\theta = D\nabla^2\theta + \lambda(\nabla\theta)^2 + \xi$$

phase diffusion
phase nonlinearity
Markov noise

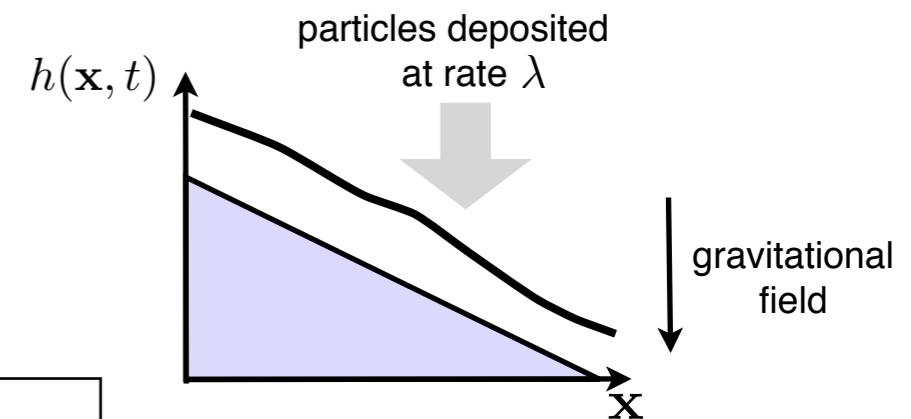
form of the KPZ equation

Kardar, Parisi, Zhang,
PRL (1986)

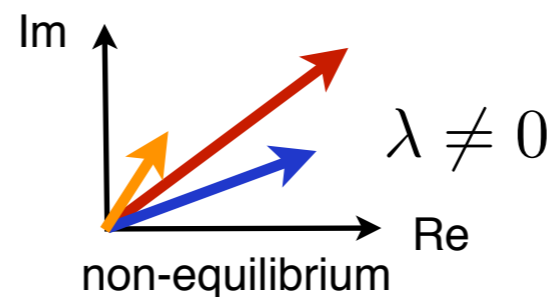
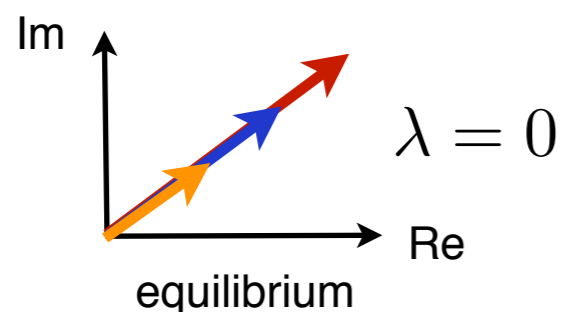
- spin wave becomes **non-linear**
- nonlinearity: **single-parameter measure of non-equilibrium strength** (ruled out in equilibrium by symmetry)



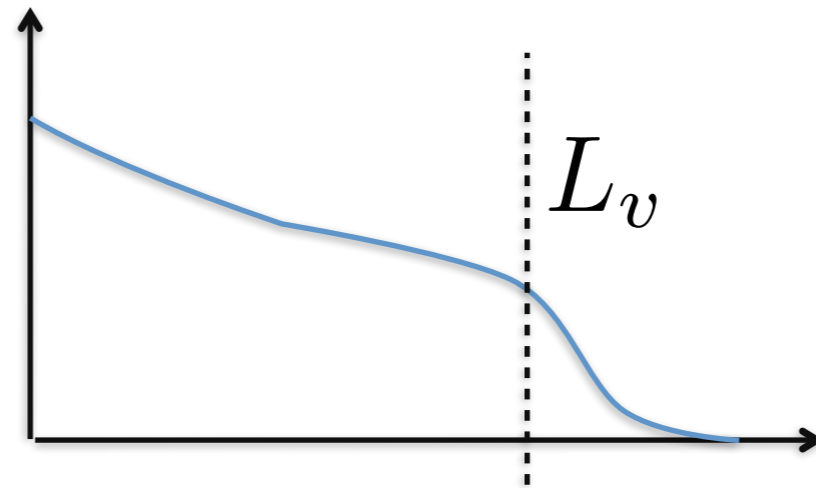
see also: G. Grinstein
et al., PRL 1993



surface roughening, fire spreading,
bacterial colony growth..



2 Dimensions



E. Altman, L. Sieberer, L. Chen, SD, J. Toner, PRX (2015)

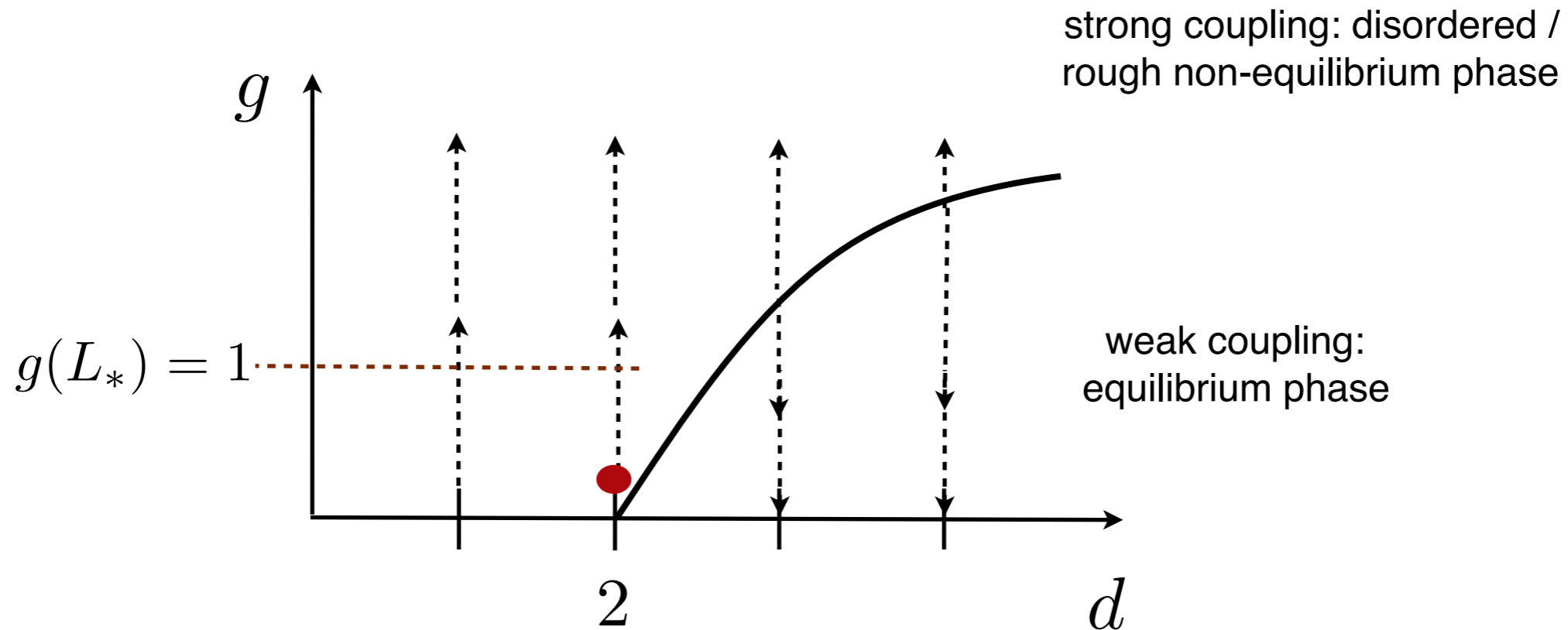
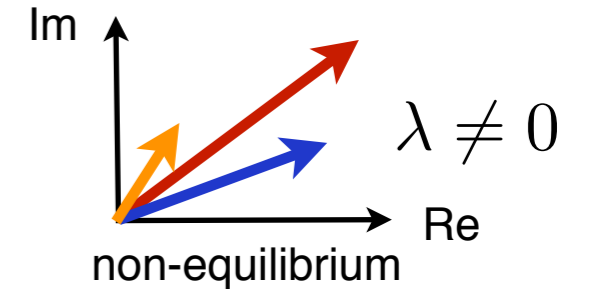
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Physical implication I: Smooth KPZ fluctuations

- RG flow of the effective dimensionless KPZ coupling parameter

$$g^2 = \frac{\lambda^2 \Delta}{D^3}$$

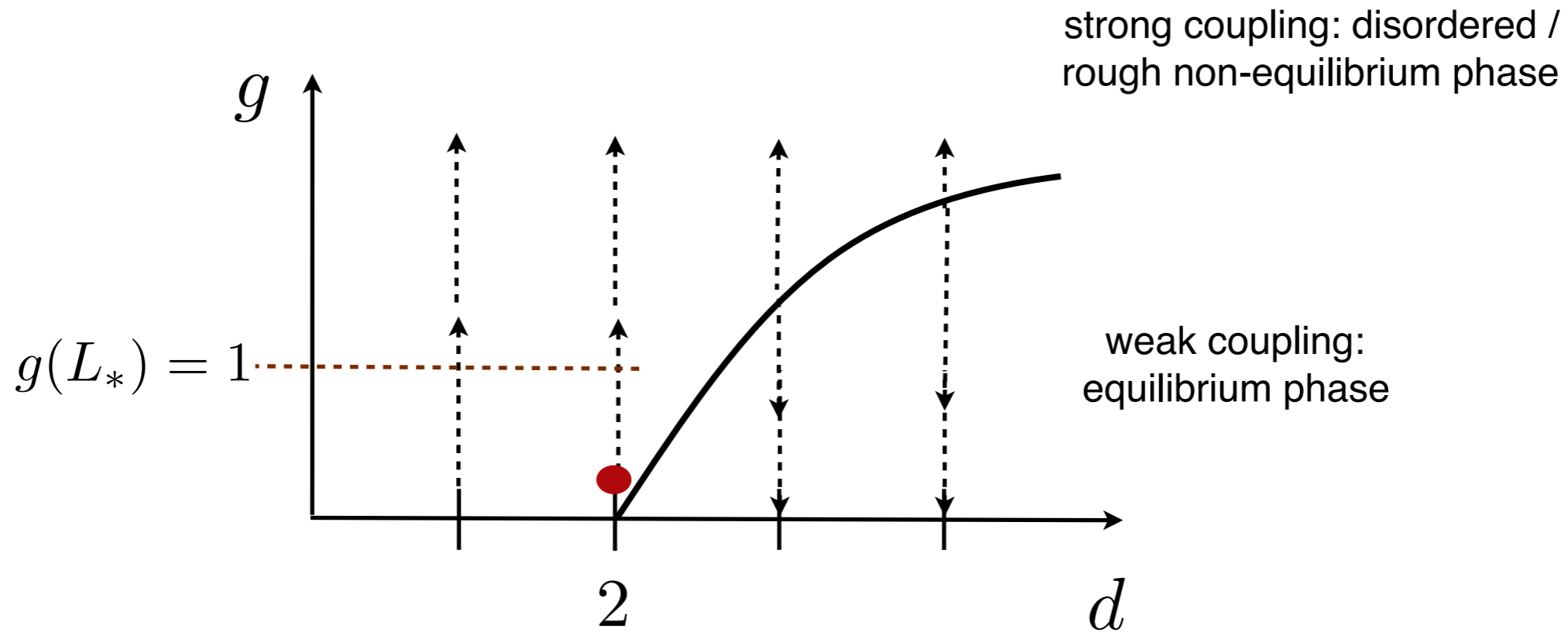
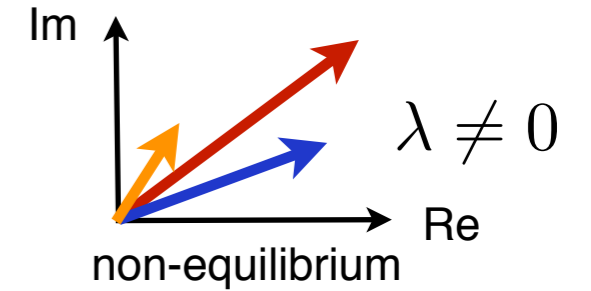


- general trend: non-equilibrium effects in systems with soft mode are
 - enhanced in $d = 1, 2$
 - softened in $d = 3$ (below a threshold)

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- 2D: implication: a length scale is generated

$$L_* = a_0 e^{\frac{16\pi}{g^2}}$$

microscopic (healing)
length

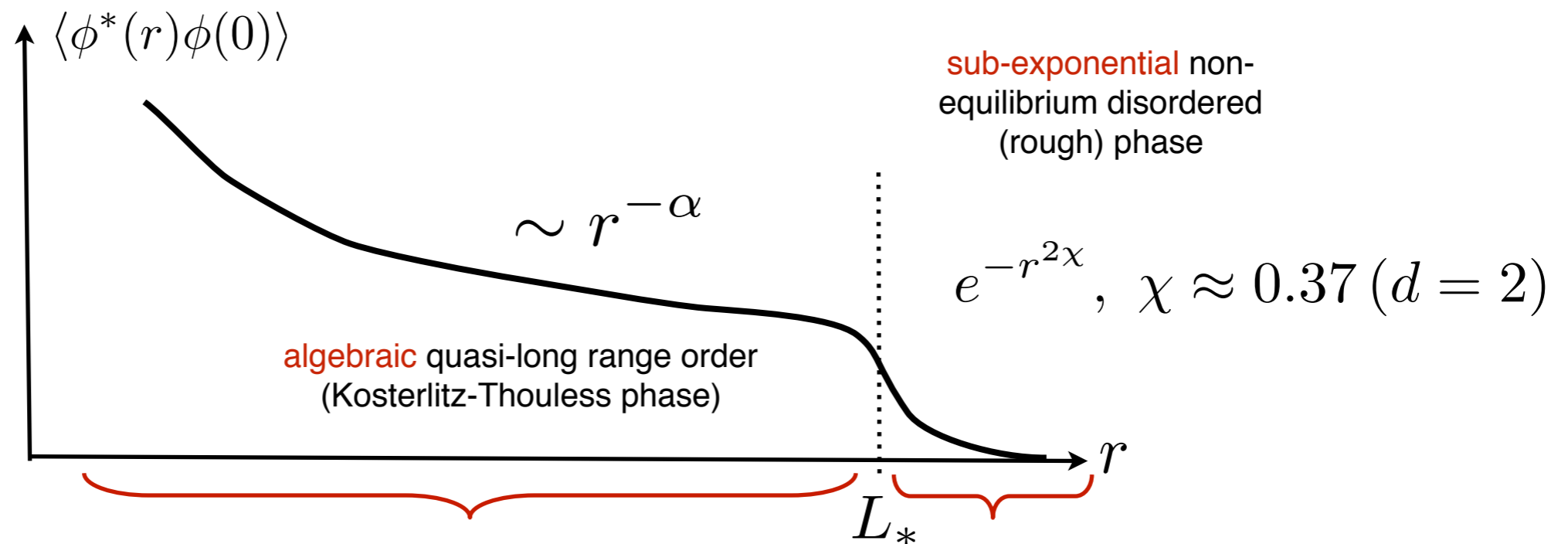
- exponentially large for
 - weak nonequilibrium λ
 - small noise level Δ

Physical implications I: Absence of quasi-LRO

- long-range behavior of two-point/ spatial coherence function:

$$\langle \phi^*(r)\phi(0) \rangle \approx n_0 e^{-\langle [\theta(\mathbf{x}) - \theta(0)]^2 \rangle} \quad \text{leading order cumulant expansion}$$

- generated length scale distinguishes two regimes: $L_* = a_0 e^{\frac{16\pi}{g^2}}$



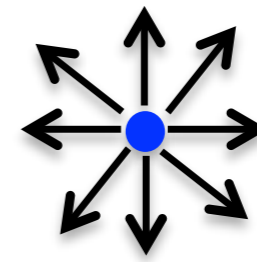
- ➔ algebraic order **absent** in any two-dimensional driven open system at the largest distances
- ➔ but crossover scale **exponentially large** for small deviations from equilibrium (cf. Marzena's talk)

Physical implications II: Non-equilibrium Kosterlitz-Thouless

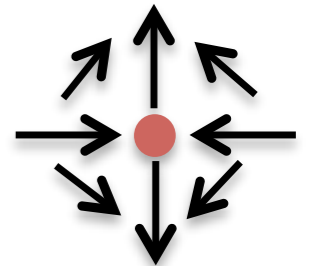
- KPZ equation for **phase variable**

$$\partial_t \theta = D \nabla^2 \theta + \lambda (\nabla \theta)^2 + \xi$$

- compact nature of phase allows for vortex defects in 2D!



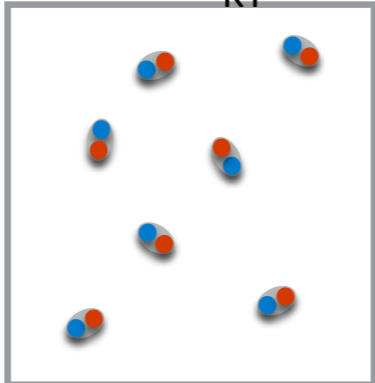
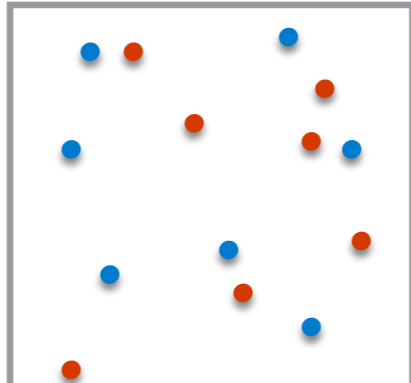
vortex



anti-vortex

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- in 2D equilibrium: perfect analogy between vortices and electric charges

- log(r) interactions, $1/(\epsilon r)$ forces
- dielectric constant ϵ^{-1} = superfluid stiffness $\mathbf{P} = (\epsilon - 1) \mathbf{E}_{\text{ext}}$

	$T < T_{\text{KT}}$	$T > T_{\text{KT}}$	
superfluid = dipole gas			normal fluid = plasma metallic screening
$\epsilon^{-1} > 0$			$\epsilon^{-1} \rightarrow 0$

➔ how is this scenario modified in the driven system?

Duality approach

- KPZ equation for **phase variable**

$$\partial_t \theta = D \nabla^2 \theta + \lambda (\nabla \theta)^2 + \xi$$

- phase compactness = local discrete gauge invariance of $\psi_{t,\mathbf{x}} = \sqrt{\rho_{t,\mathbf{x}}} e^{i\theta_{t,\mathbf{x}}}$

$$\theta_{t,\mathbf{x}} \mapsto \theta_{t,\mathbf{x}} + 2\pi n_{t,\mathbf{x}} \quad \theta_{t,\mathbf{x}} \in [0, 2\pi), \quad n_{t,\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbf{Z}$$

→ needs to be taught to the KPZ equation:

- **deterministic part:** lattice regularization

$$\partial_t \theta_{\mathbf{x}} = - \underbrace{\sum_{\mathbf{a}} \left[D \sin(\theta_{\mathbf{x}} - \theta_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}}) + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\cos(\theta_{\mathbf{x}} - \theta_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}}) - 1) \right]}_{=: \mathcal{L}[\theta]_{t,\mathbf{x}} \text{ deterministic}} + \eta_{\mathbf{x}} \text{ noise}$$

unit lattice direction

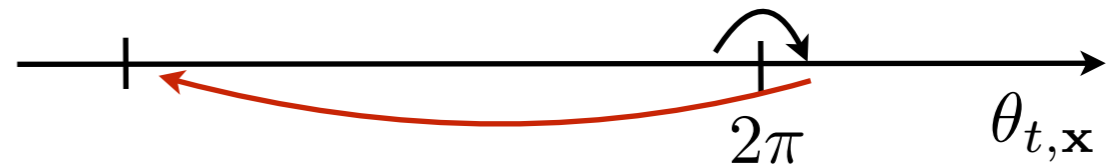
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- **temporal part:** stochastic update

$$\theta_{t+\epsilon,\mathbf{x}} = \theta_{t,\mathbf{x}} + \epsilon (\mathcal{L}[\theta]_{t,\mathbf{x}} + \eta_{t,\mathbf{x}}) + 2\pi n_{t,\mathbf{x}}$$

- NB: phase can jump, continuum limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ill defined, derivatives discrete

- stochastic difference equation \rightarrow discrete dynamical functional integral:

$$Z = \sum_{\{\tilde{n}_{t,\mathbf{x}}\}} \int \mathcal{D}[\theta] e^{iS[\theta, \tilde{n}]}$$

discrete noise \rightarrow manifest gauge invariance

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\tilde{\theta}] \mathcal{D}[\theta] e^{iS[\theta, \tilde{\theta}]}$$

vs. continuous variable

$$S = \sum_{t,\mathbf{x}} \tilde{n}_{t,\mathbf{x}} [-\Delta_t \theta_{t,\mathbf{x}} + \epsilon (\mathcal{L}[\theta]_{t,\mathbf{x}} + i\Delta \tilde{n}_{t,\mathbf{x}})]$$

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- introduce Fourier conjugate variables, use continuity equations to parameterise in terms of gauge fields, Poisson transform
- dual description:

$$Z \propto \sum_{\{n_{vX}, \tilde{n}_{vX}, \mathbf{J}_{vX}, \tilde{\mathbf{J}}_{vX}\}} \int \mathcal{D}[\phi, \tilde{\phi}, \mathbf{A}, \tilde{\mathbf{A}}] e^{iS[\phi, \tilde{\phi}, \mathbf{A}, \tilde{\mathbf{A}}, n_v, \tilde{n}_v, \mathbf{J}_v, \tilde{\mathbf{J}}_v]}$$

vortex density
and current

smooth spin wave fluctuations
(equivalent KPZ equation)

- interpretation: study the associated Langevin equations

Electrodynamical Duality

- Langevin equations = modified nonlinear noisy Maxwell equations

- formulated in electric and magnetic fields alone:

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla\phi - \mathbf{A},$$

$$\mathbf{B} = D\nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = -\nabla\phi - \partial_t \tilde{\mathbf{A}},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \nabla \times \tilde{\mathbf{A}}$$

fixed by modified gauge invariance

irrotational flow

modified continuity eq

$$\partial_t \rightarrow 1/D$$

phase dynamics

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= 2\pi n_v \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{D} \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} &= 2\pi \mathbf{J}_v = \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \nabla \left(\frac{\lambda}{2} E^2 + \bar{\zeta} \right) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

vortex density & current

KPZ non-linearity and noise

phenomenologically added vortex dynamics

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} = \mu n_i \mathbf{E}(t, \mathbf{r}_i) + \boldsymbol{\xi}_i$$

- reproducing KPZ: identify $\mathbf{E} \equiv \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \nabla\theta$ & integrate out magnetic field, neglect vortices

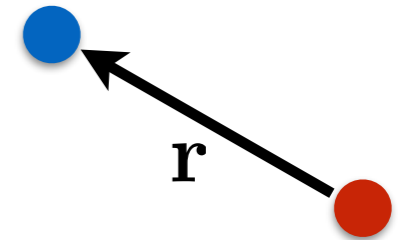
$$\partial_t \theta = D\nabla^2 \theta + \lambda(\nabla\theta)^2 + \xi$$

- next: integrate out gapless electric field degrees of freedom = phase fluctuations
 - equilibrium $\lambda = 0$: exactly
 - non-equilibrium: perturbatively in λ

A single vortex-antivortex pair

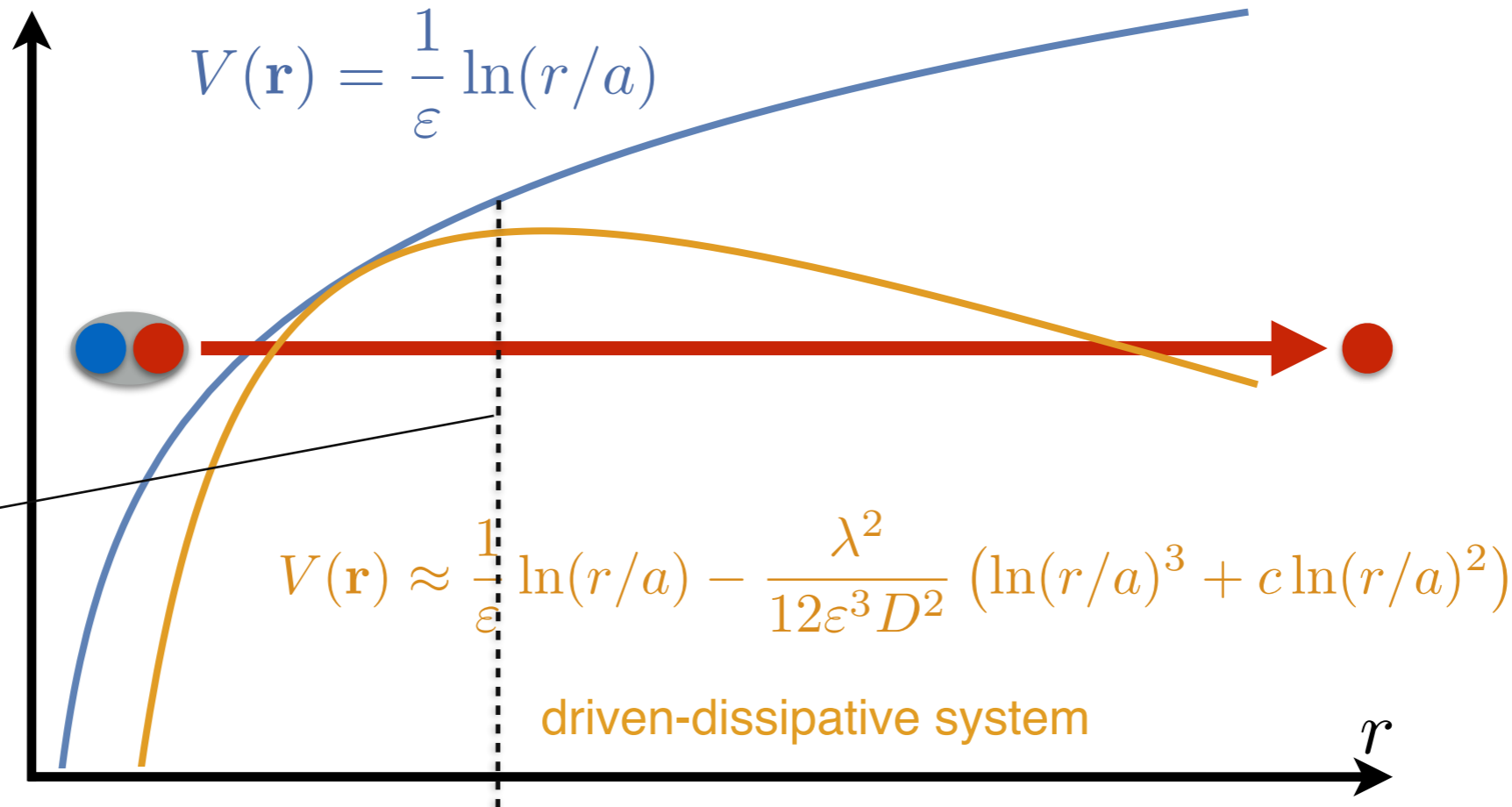
- equation of motion for a single vortex-antivortex pair

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = -\mu \nabla V(r) + \boldsymbol{\xi}$$



equilibrium: Coulomb potential (2D)

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \ln(r/a)$$



length scale:

$$L_v = a_0 e^{\frac{2D}{\lambda}}$$

see also: I Aranson
et al., PRB (1998)
two-vortex problem

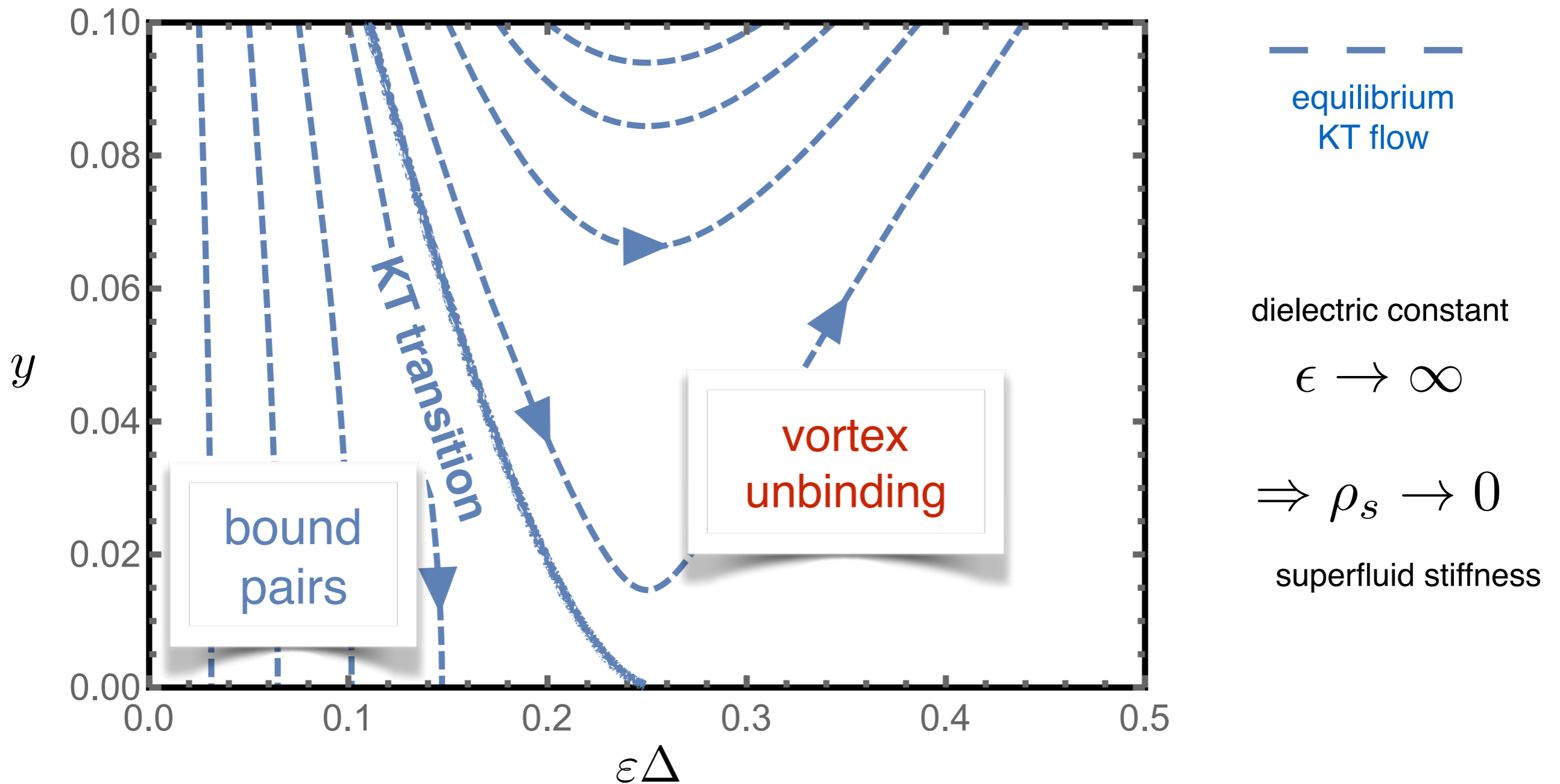
$$V(\mathbf{r}) \approx \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \ln(r/a) - \frac{\lambda^2}{12\varepsilon^3 D^2} (\ln(r/a)^3 + c \ln(r/a)^2)$$

driven-dissipative system

➔ noise-activated unbinding for a single pair (at exp small rate)

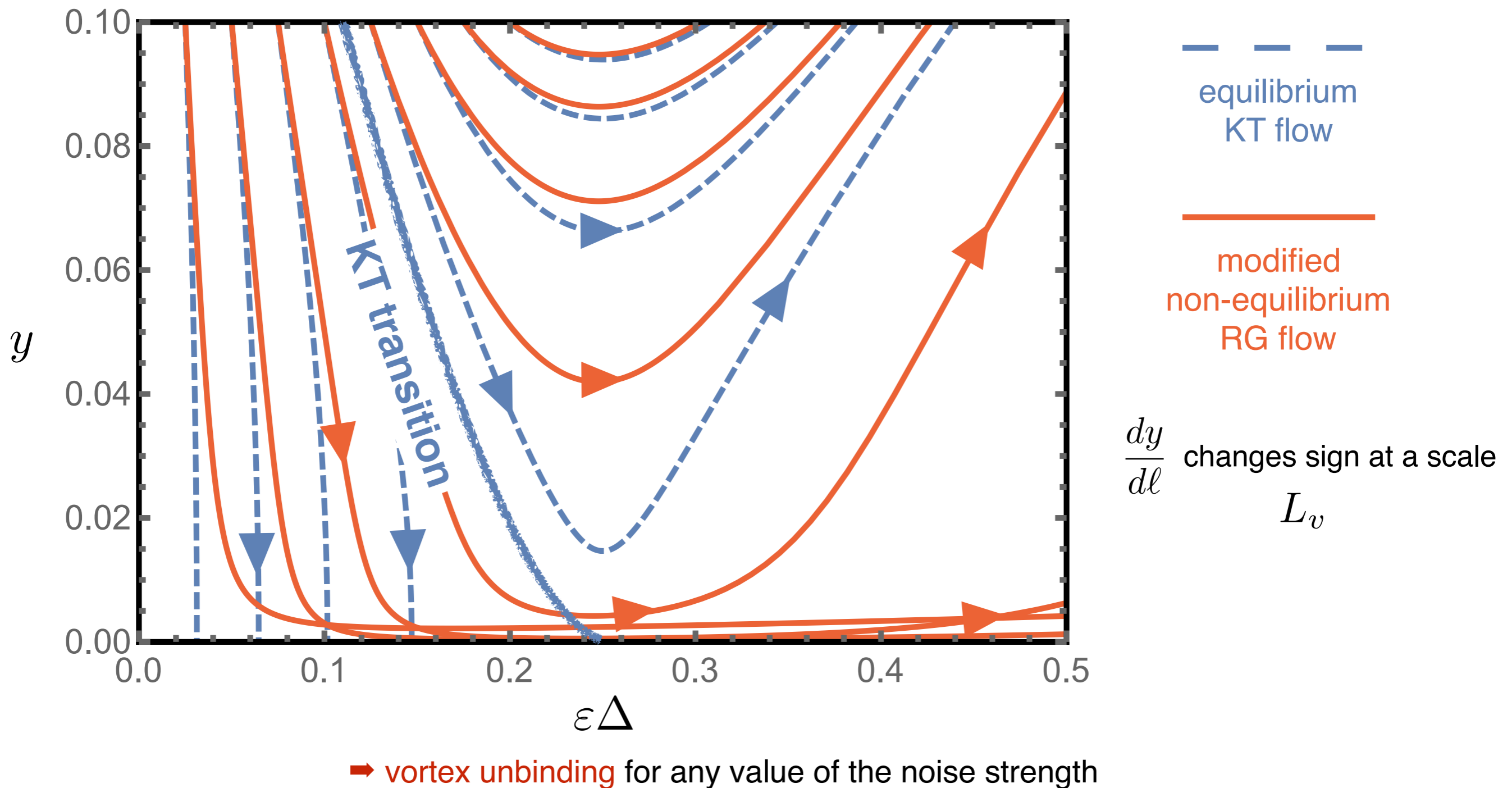
Many pairs: Modified Kosterlitz-Thouless RG flow

$$\frac{d\varepsilon}{d\ell} = \frac{2\pi^2 y^2}{T} \quad \frac{dy}{d\ell} = \left[2 - \frac{1}{2\varepsilon T} + \frac{\lambda^2}{4\varepsilon^2 D^2} \left(\frac{1}{4} + \ell \right) \right] y \quad \frac{dT}{d\ell} = \frac{\lambda^2 T}{2\varepsilon^2 D^2} \left(\frac{1}{4} + \ell \right)$$



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Summary: 2D

- two emergent length scales in complementary approaches:

$$L_* = a_0 e^{\frac{16\pi}{g^2}}$$

KPZ length

$$L_v = a_0 e^{\frac{2D}{\lambda}}$$

vortex length

- scaling for the relevant fixed points

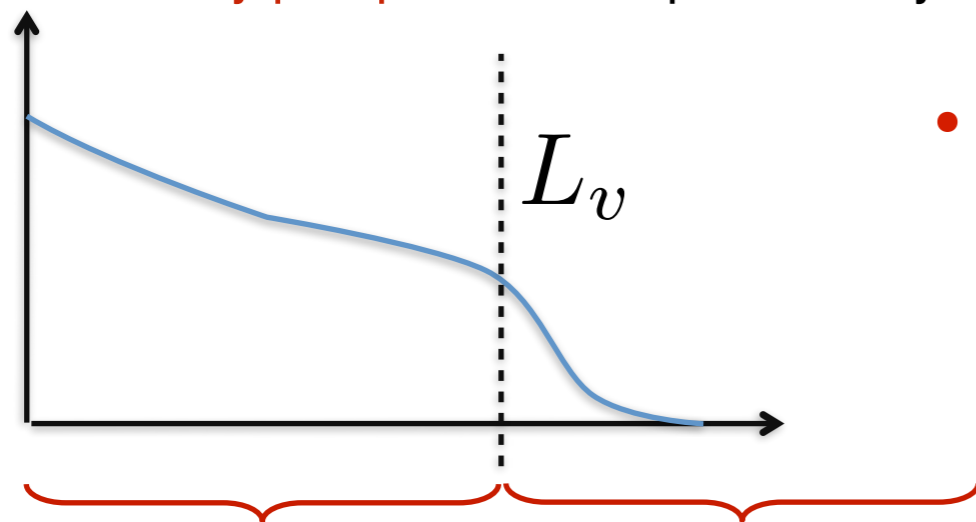
$$\langle \phi^*(r)\phi(0) \rangle \sim e^{-r^{2\chi}}, \quad \chi = 0.4$$

KPZ fixed point

$$\langle \phi^*(r)\phi(0) \rangle \sim e^{-r}$$

free vortex/disordered fixed point

- for **incoherently pumped** exciton-polariton systems, $L_v \ll L_*$



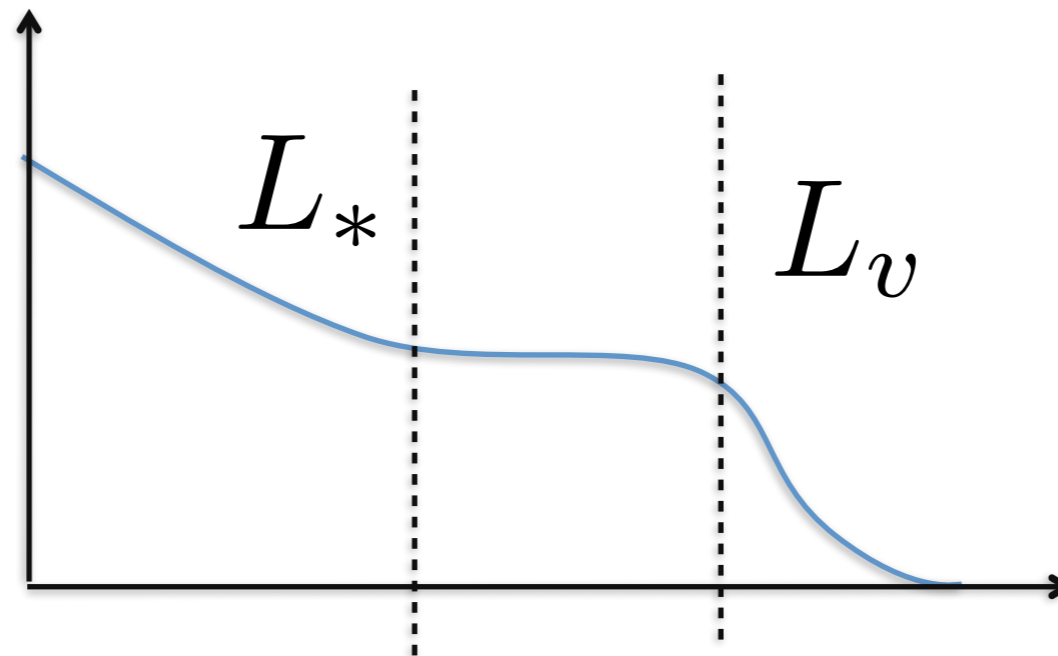
algebraic/equilibrium vortex/non-equilibrium

- caveats for observability:

- length scales exponentially large
- assumes stationary states (unknown non-universal vortex dynamics)

coherently pumped:
see Marzena's talk!

1 Dimension



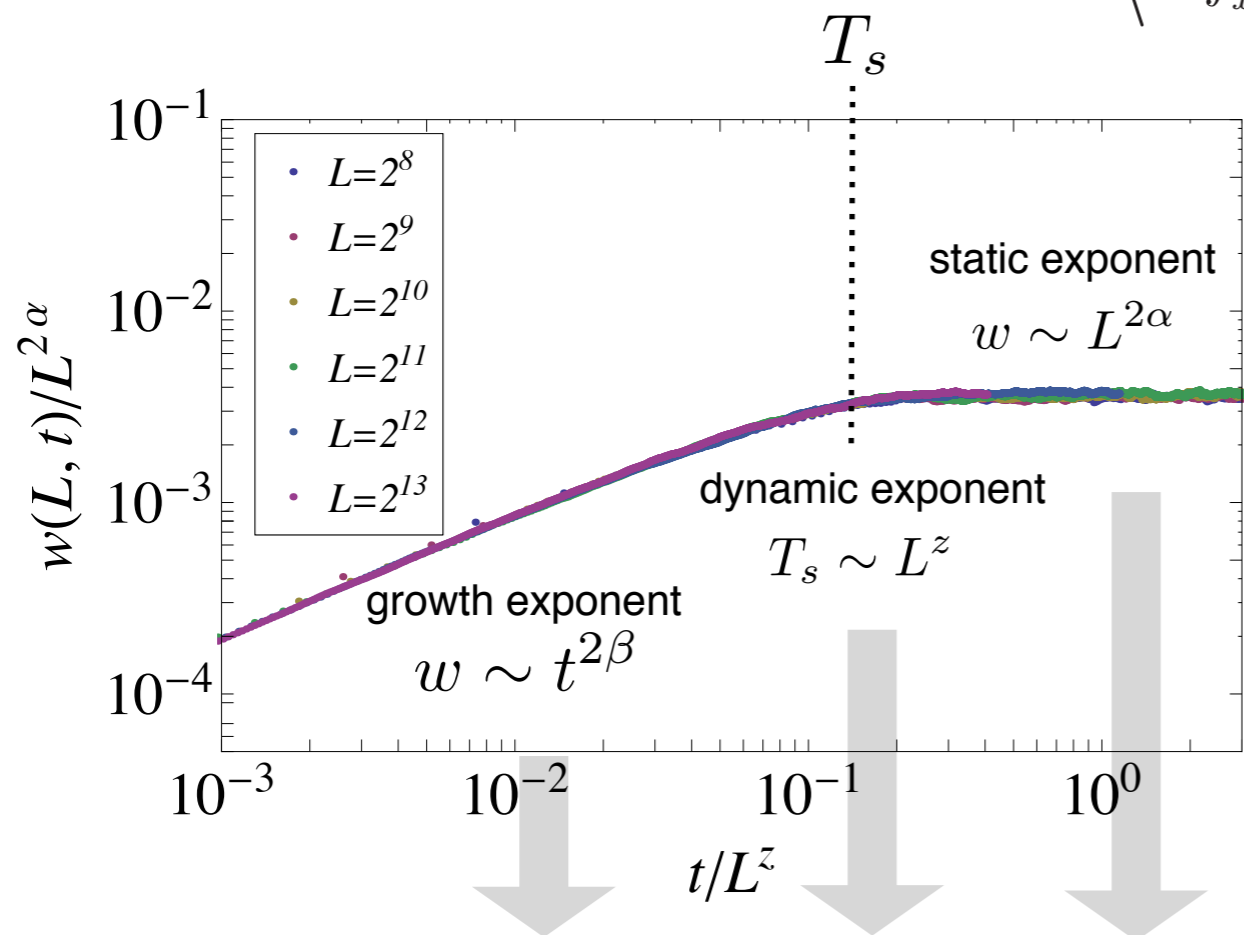
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KPZ exponents & new scaling regime

- direct numerical solution of driven-dissipative GPE in one dimension

- observable: phase correlations $w(L, t) \equiv \left\langle \frac{1}{L} \int_x \theta^2(x, t) - \left(\frac{1}{L} \int_x \theta(x, t) \right)^2 \right\rangle$



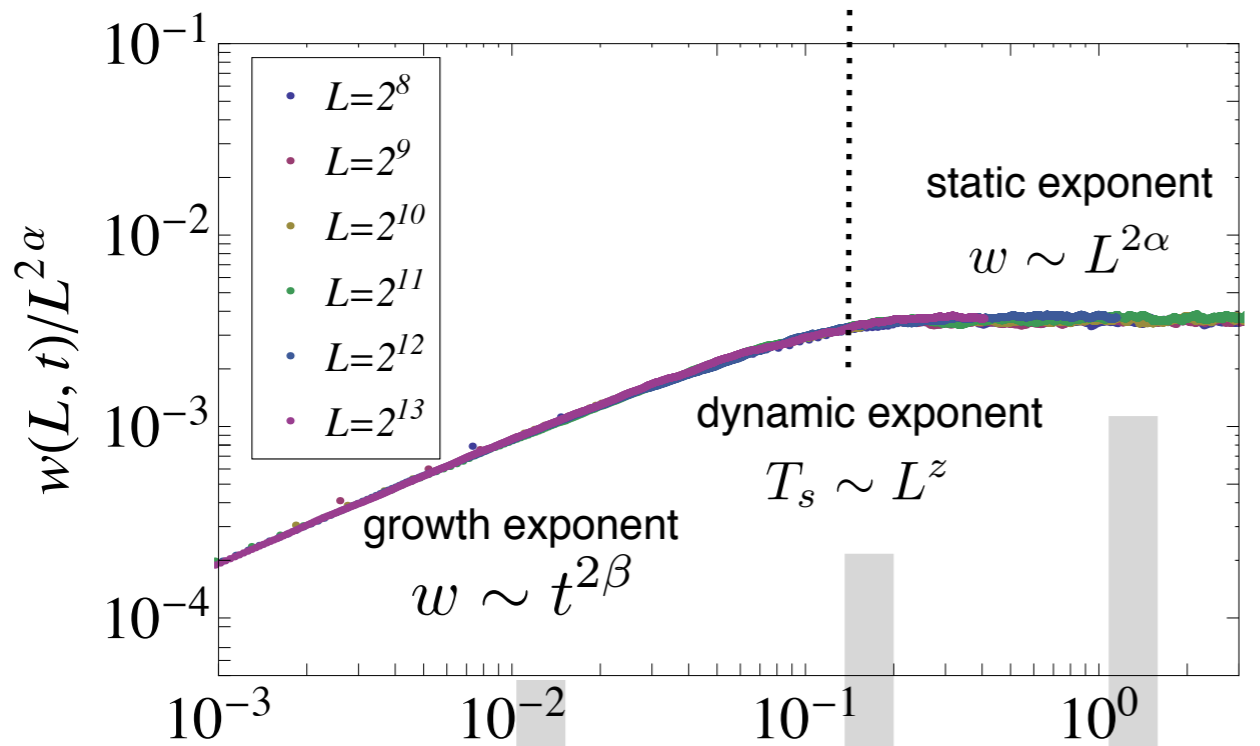
vs. eq.: $\beta \approx 1/3$ $z \approx 3/2$ $\alpha \approx 1/2$ dynamic correlations needed to certify non-equilibrium!
 $\beta = 1/4$ $z = 2$ $\alpha = 1/2$

- ➔ KPZ scaling fully confirmed in phase correlations
- ➔ experimentally accessible with “bad cavities” (lifetime 1ps, system size 150 μ m)

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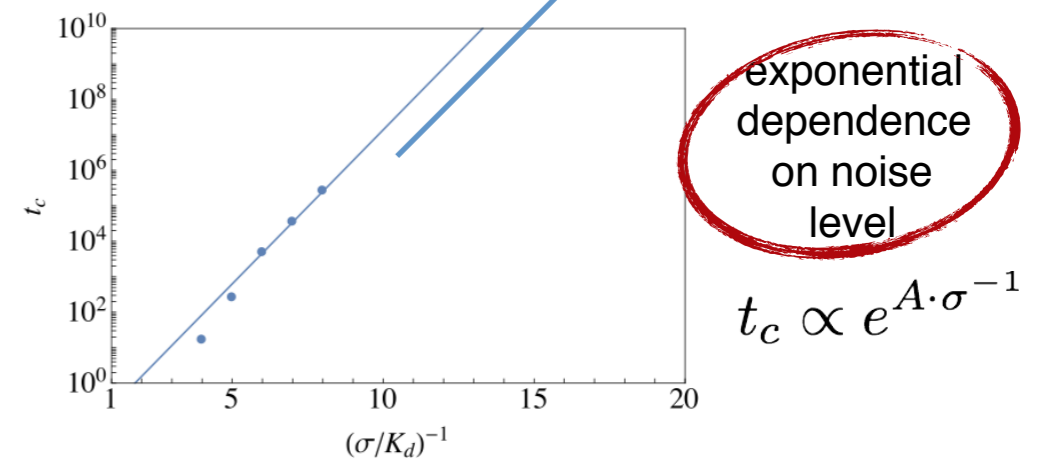
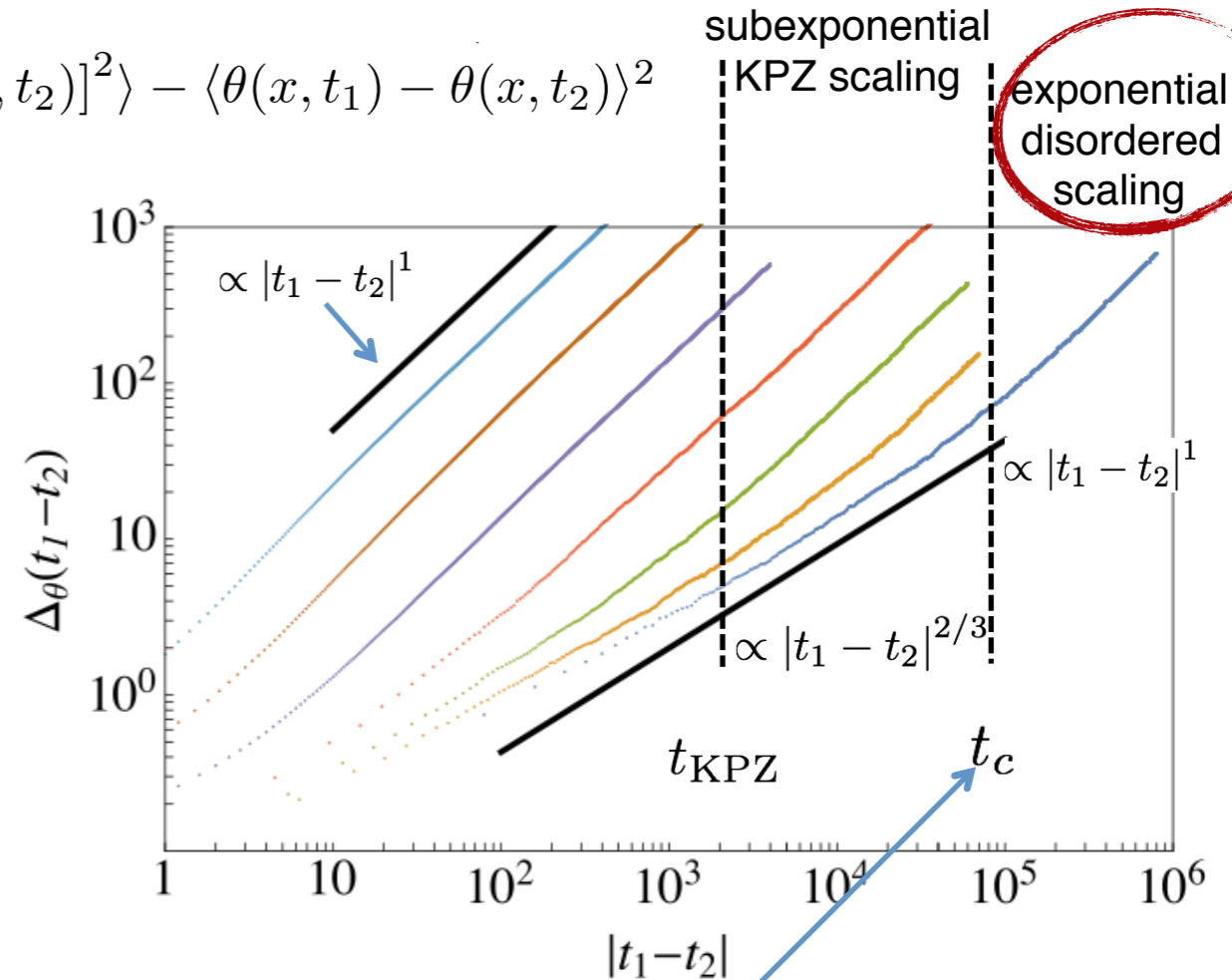
- direct numerical solution of driven-dissipative GPE in one dimension
- observable: temporal phase correlations

$$\Delta_\theta(t_1 - t_2) \equiv \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L dx \langle [\theta(x, t_1) - \theta(x, t_2)]^2 \rangle - \langle \theta(x, t_1) - \theta(x, t_2) \rangle^2$$



vs. eq.:

$\beta \approx 1/3$	$z \approx 3/2$	$\alpha \approx 1/2$
$\beta = 1/4$	$z = 2$	$\alpha = 1/2$

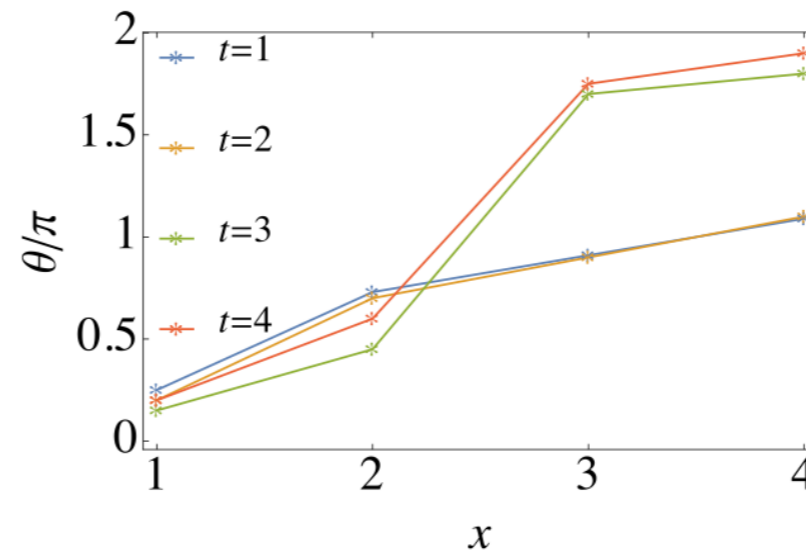


Space-time vortices in 1D XP condensate

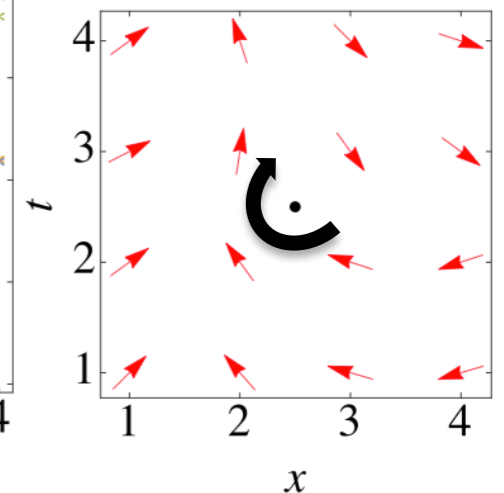
- Physical origin: compactness of phase field

topologically nontrivial phase field configurations on (1+1)D space-time plane

spatial phase slip



vortex in space-time plane



- unbound at infinitesimal noise level (weak non-equilibrium)

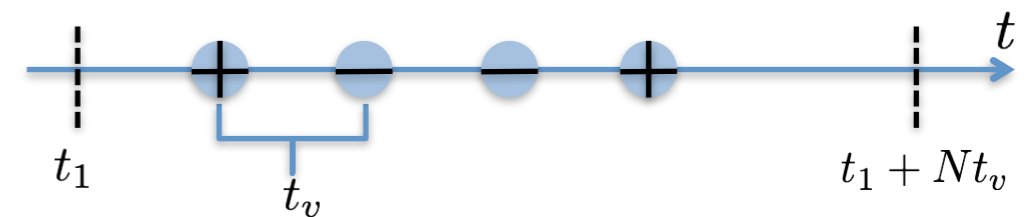
- interaction potential: $(\partial_t + D\partial_x^2)^{-1} \sim (Dt)^{-1/2} e^{-x^2/(4Dt)}$

cf. 2D static equilibrium: $\nabla^{-2} \sim \log(|\mathbf{x}|)$

- explains qualitative features

1. temporal scaling:

- random uncorrelated charges $W_i = \pm 1$
- phase field jumps by $\pm\delta\Theta$ when crossing vortex core



$$\Delta_\theta(t_1 - t_2) = |t_1 - t_2| (\delta\Theta)^2 / t_v$$

→ “disordered” scaling $\langle \psi^*(x, t') \psi(x, t) \rangle \sim e^{-c|t-t'|}$

Origin of exponential scaling with noise level

2. **noise level dependence** of crossover scale $t_v \propto e^{A \cdot \sigma^{-1}}$

- Onsager-Machlup functional integral: probability distribution for solutions $\theta(x, t)$ of cKPZ:

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\theta] e^{-\mathcal{H}[\theta]/T} \quad T = 4\sigma$$

$$\mathcal{H}[\theta] = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} dt \int_0^L dx \left[\partial_t \theta - D \partial_x^2 \theta - \frac{\lambda}{2} (\partial_x \theta)^2 \right]^2$$

- for $\lambda = 0$: maps to **static 2D active smectic A liquid crystal** problem Toner and Nelson, PRB (1984)

vortex core energy

- Arrhenius activation probability density $P_v \sim e^{-E_v/T} \sim (t_v x_v)^{-1}$

- vortex unbinding time scale

$$t_v \sim e^{\frac{(z+1)}{4z} E_v / \sigma}$$

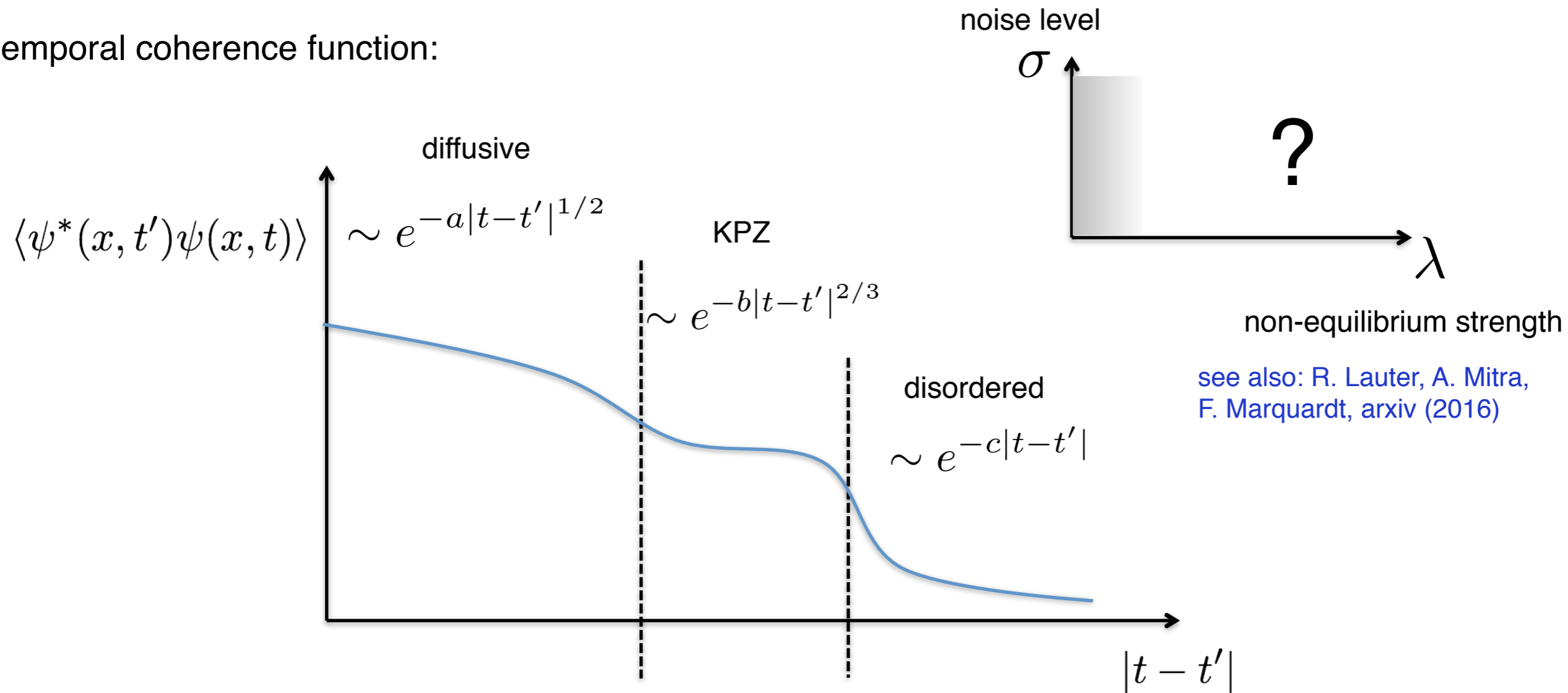
alternative at equilibrium: phase slips
Langer, Ambegaokar, Phys. Rev. (1967); McCumber, Halperin, PRB (1970)

- for small $\lambda \neq 0$: **finite** upper bound $\mathcal{H}_{\lambda=0}[\theta_v] - \mathcal{H}_\lambda[\theta_v] > 0$

➔ exponential law not modified

Summary: 1D condensates at weak non-equilibrium

- temporal coherence function:



- crossover scales (weak noise sigma)

$$t_{\text{KPZ}} \propto \sigma^{-2} \quad t_c \propto e^{A \cdot \sigma^{-1}}$$

algebraic exponential

➔ KPZ scaling should be observable in exciton-polariton experiments in 1D

Strong non-equilibrium: Compact KPZ vortex turbulence

- **deterministic** dynamical instability in compact KPZ:

$$\partial_t \theta_i = -D (\sin(\theta_i - \theta_{i+1}) + \sin(\theta_i - \theta_{i-1})) + \lambda \left(\left[\sin\left(\frac{\theta_i - \theta_{i+1}}{2}\right) \right]^2 + \left[\sin\left(\frac{\theta_i - \theta_{i-1}}{2}\right) \right]^2 \right)$$

- EOM of phase **differences** between n.n. sites: $\Delta_i \equiv \theta_i - \theta_{i+1}$

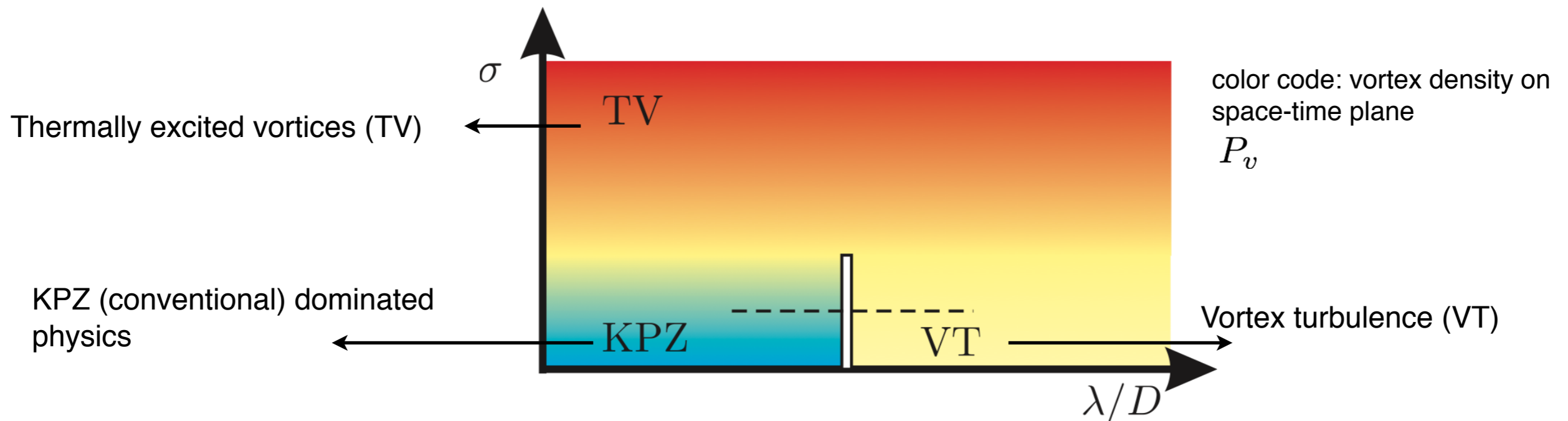
$$\partial_t \Delta_i \simeq -3D \Delta_i + \frac{\lambda}{4} \left((\Delta_{i-1})^2 - (\Delta_{i+1})^2 \right)$$

decreases amplifies

- $\lambda \gg D$ amplification even by small phase fluctuations
- continuous creation and annihilation of vortices --- **“vortex turbulence”**

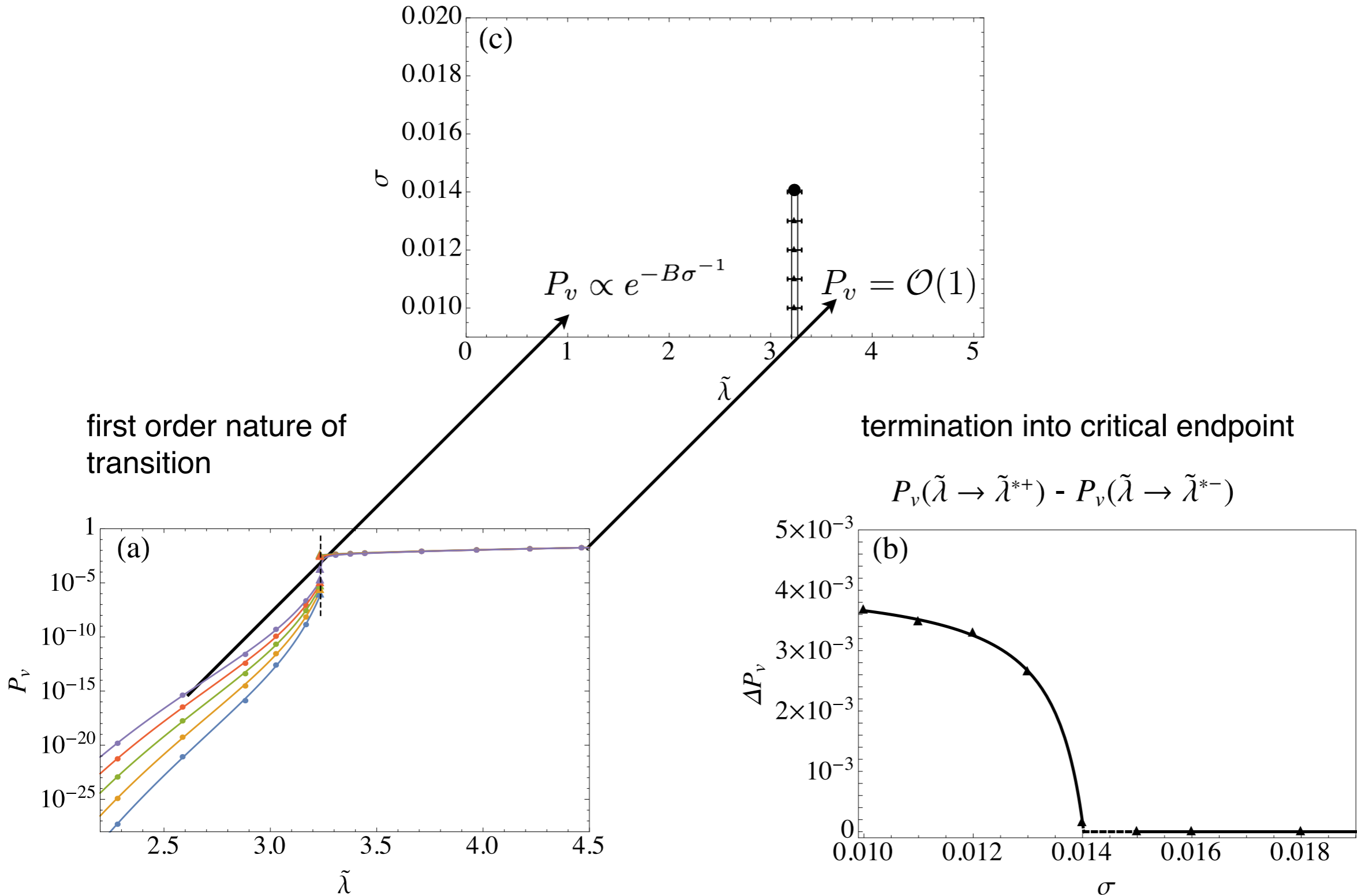
chaotic solutions nonlinear dynamics:
e.g. Aranson et al., RMP (2002)

- Phase diagram for XP condensates



Strong non-equilibrium: Compact KPZ vortex turbulence

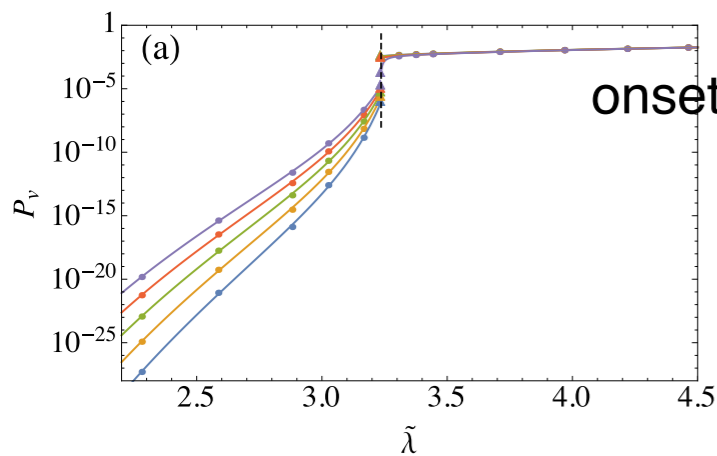
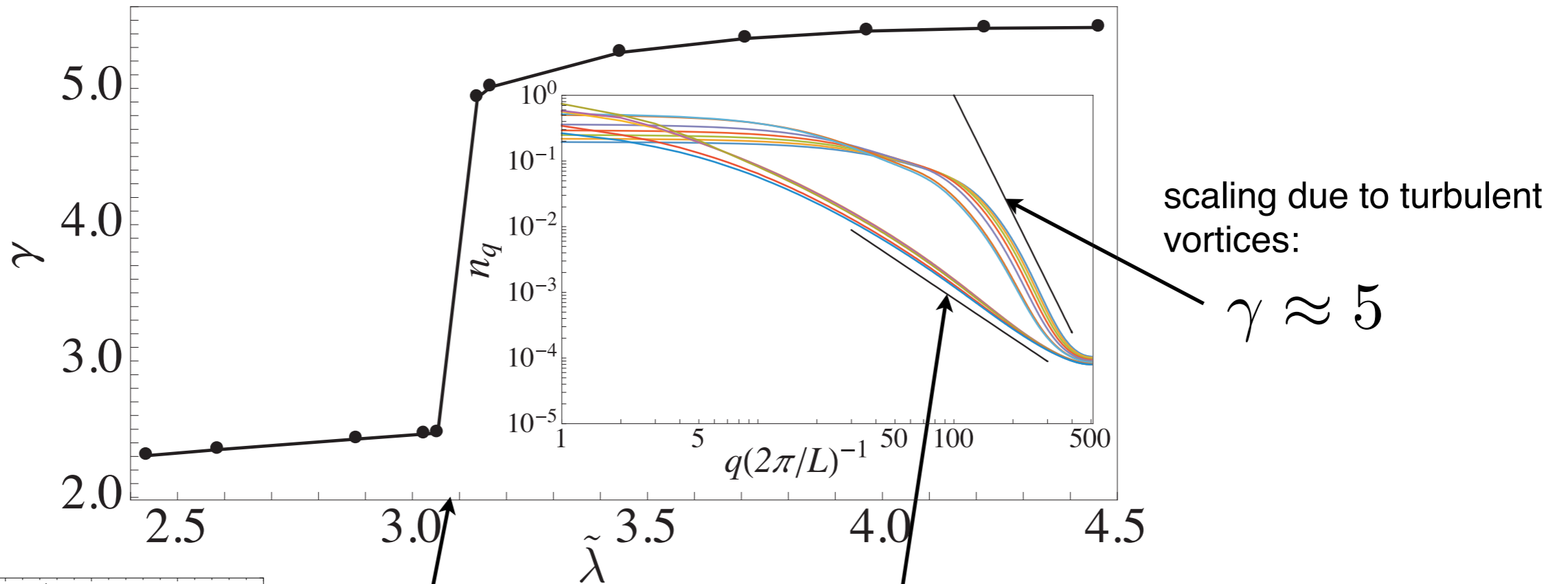
- quantitatively: transition in weak noise regime induced by nonequilibrium strength



Compact KPZ vortex turbulence: Signatures

- scaling of the momentum distribution at intermediate momenta (full stochastic GPE)

$$n_q = \langle \psi^*(q)\psi(q) \rangle \sim q^{-\gamma}$$



scaling due to thermally activated vortices: $\gamma \approx 2$

diffusion constant coherent propagation, inverse effective polariton mass

$$\lambda \sim \frac{K_d}{K_c}$$

- experiments: vortex turbulence favored in systems with strong diffusion,
- flat band of 1D Lieb lattice realized with micropillar cavity arrays [F. Baboux et al. PRL \(2016\)](#)

Summary

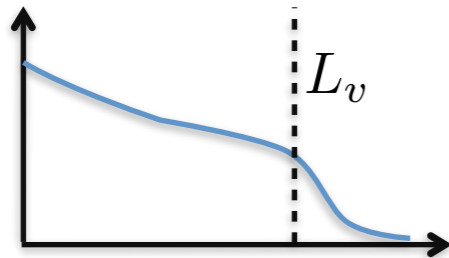
- low dimensional driven open quantum systems: non-equilibrium always relevant at large distances
- phase dynamics: compact KPZ
- compactness crucial

- weak non-equilibrium conditions

→ two intrinsic non-equilibrium length/time scales

→ 2 dimensions:

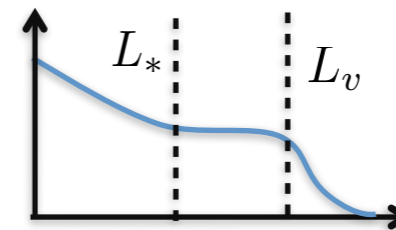
$$L_v \ll L_*$$



E. Altman, L. Sieberer, L. Chen, SD, J. Toner, PRX (2015)
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→ 1 dimension:

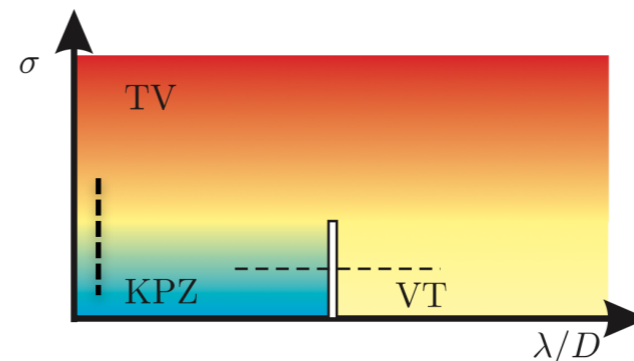
$$L_v \gg L_*$$



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- strong non-equilibrium conditions

- phase transition to vortex turbulent regime
- challenge: analytical understanding via duality?



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