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# Wave Turbulence and non gaussian statistics in 1D Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation

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# Incoherent nonlinear (fiber) optics

**Lasers** 1960s



**Nonlinear optics**

**Optical fibers** 1970s



**Telecommunications**  
**Nonlinear fiber optics**

linear operation

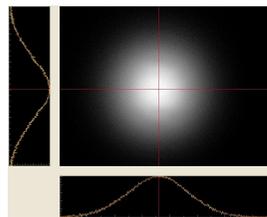
intense cw/pulsed coherent light waves

**Photonic Crystal fibers** 1995

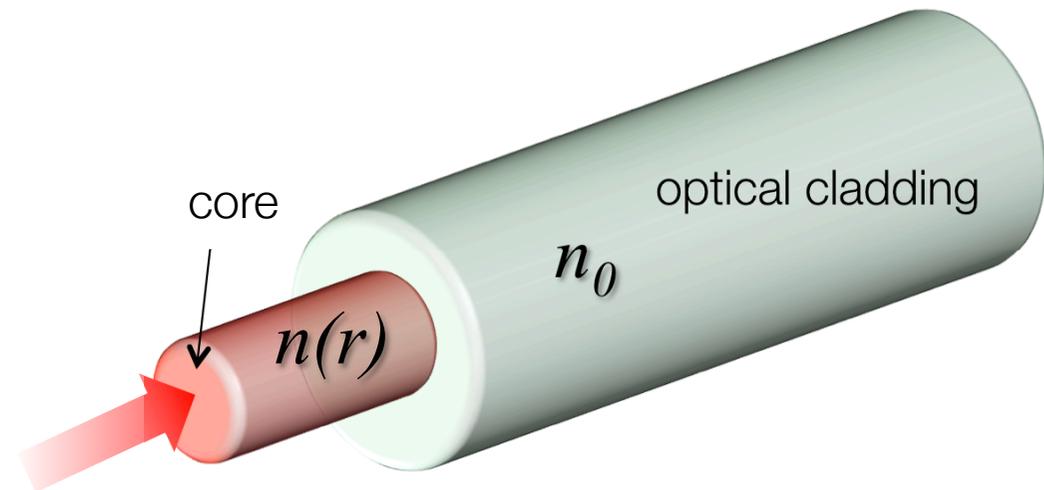
supercontinuum



**Single mode (1D) Optical fibers**



$$\psi(z, t)$$



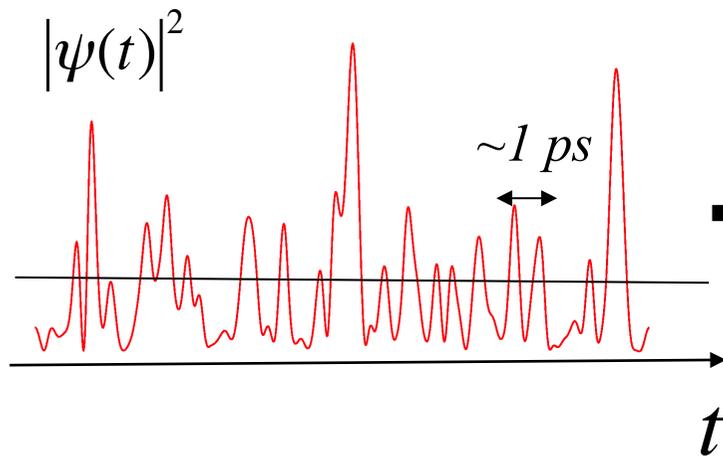
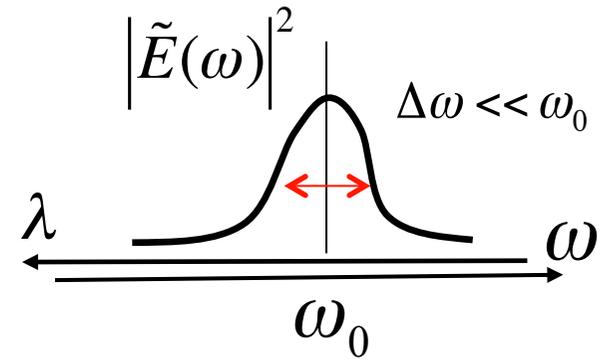
# Optical variables ...

$$E(x, y, z, t) = A(x, y) \psi(z, t) e^{i(\omega_0 t - k_0 z)}$$

slow varying Amplitude

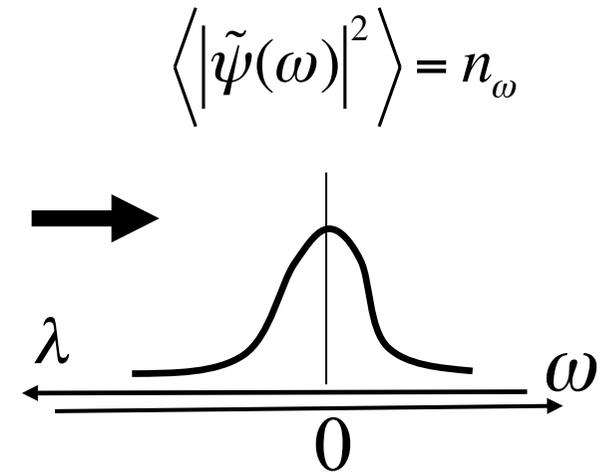
carrier wave

$$\omega_0 \approx 10^{15} \text{ Hz}$$



Dispersive setup

Slow detector



Optical spectrum

power spectral density

= Fourier spectrum = Wave action

kinetic equation

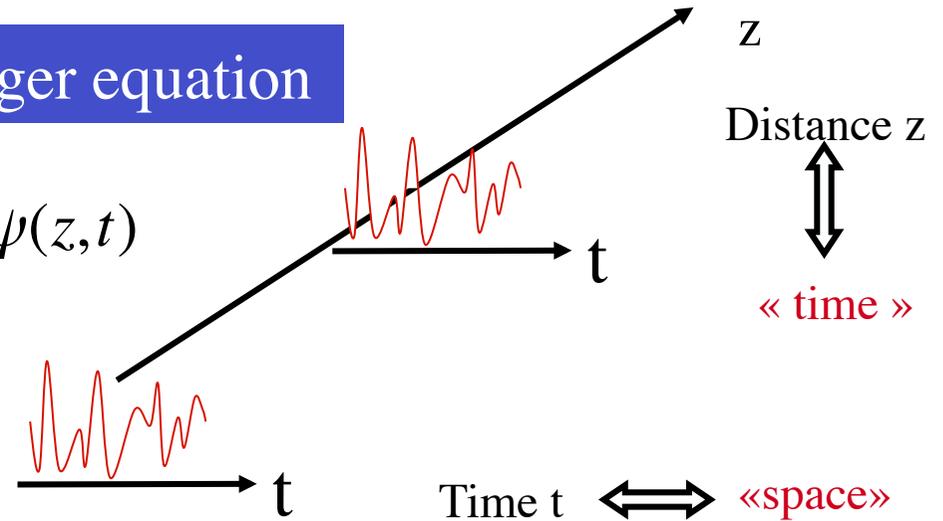
# Propagation of incoherent waves in optical fiber

## Defocusing 1D Nonlinear Schrödinger equation

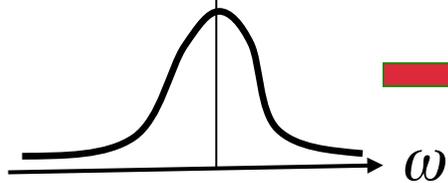
$$i \partial_z \psi(z,t) = - \partial_t^2 \psi(z,t) + |\psi(z,t)|^2 \psi(z,t)$$

Random initial conditions

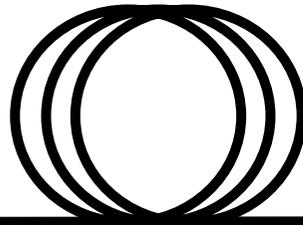
$|\psi|^2$



$$\langle |\tilde{\psi}(\omega, z=0)|^2 \rangle$$

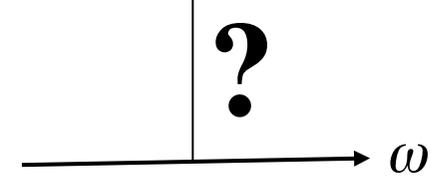


PDF



L

$$\langle |\tilde{\psi}(\omega, z=L)|^2 \rangle$$

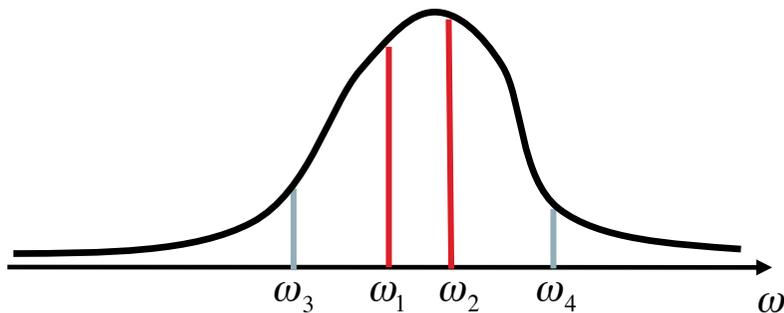


PDF

## No phase-matching conditions in 1D NLS

$$i \partial_z \psi(z,t) = -\sigma \partial_t^2 \psi(z,t) + |\psi(z,t)|^2 \psi(z,t)$$

$10^2$ - $10^6$  modes



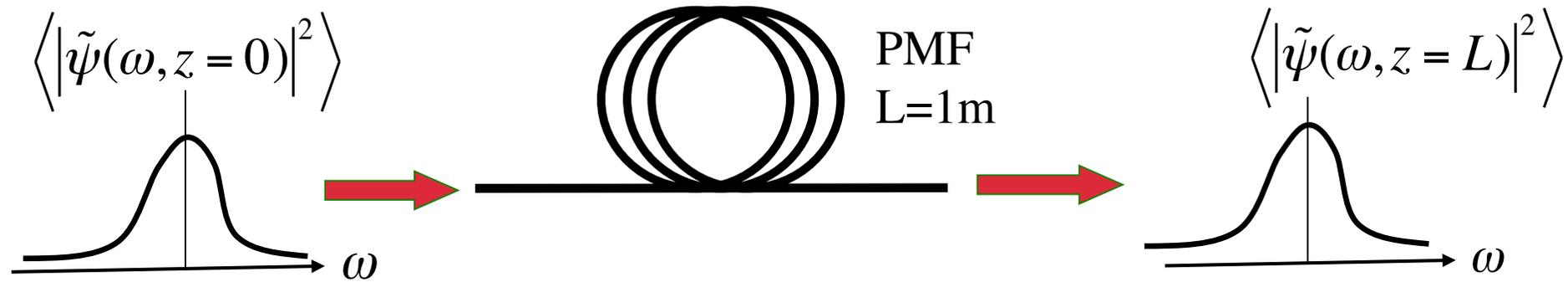
$$\omega_1 + \omega_2 = \omega_3 + \omega_4$$

$$\Delta k = k(\omega_1) + k(\omega_2) - k(\omega_3) - k(\omega_4)$$

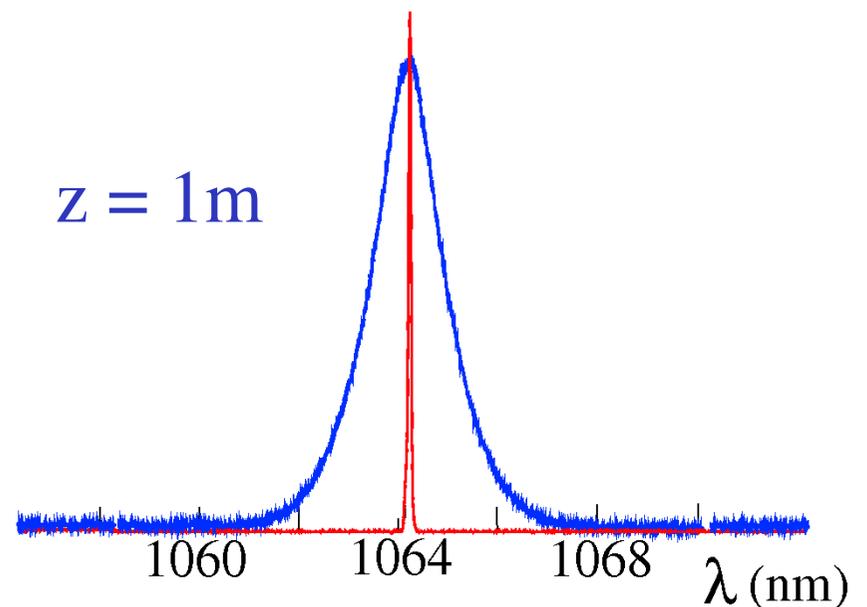
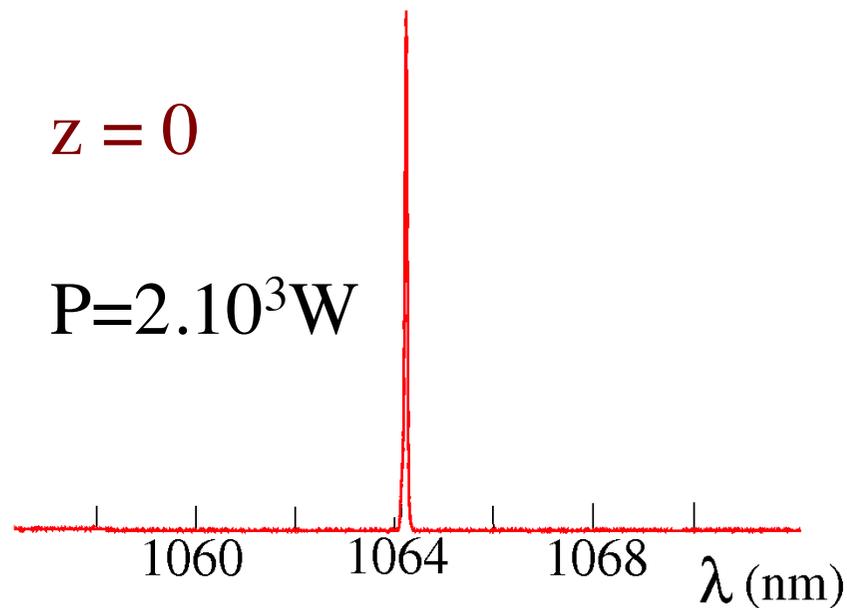
$$k(\omega) = \sigma \omega^2$$

$$\Delta k = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_1 = \omega_3$$

# Experiments in defocusing case / strongly nonlinear regime



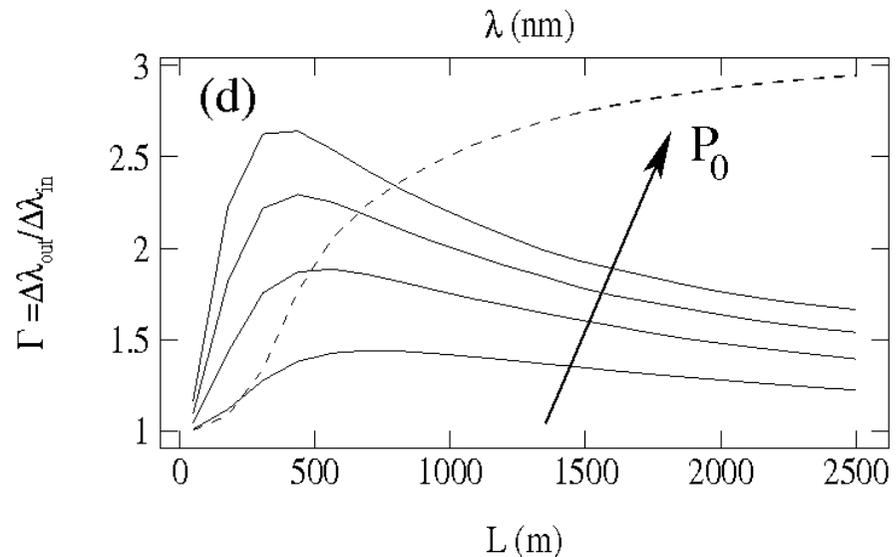
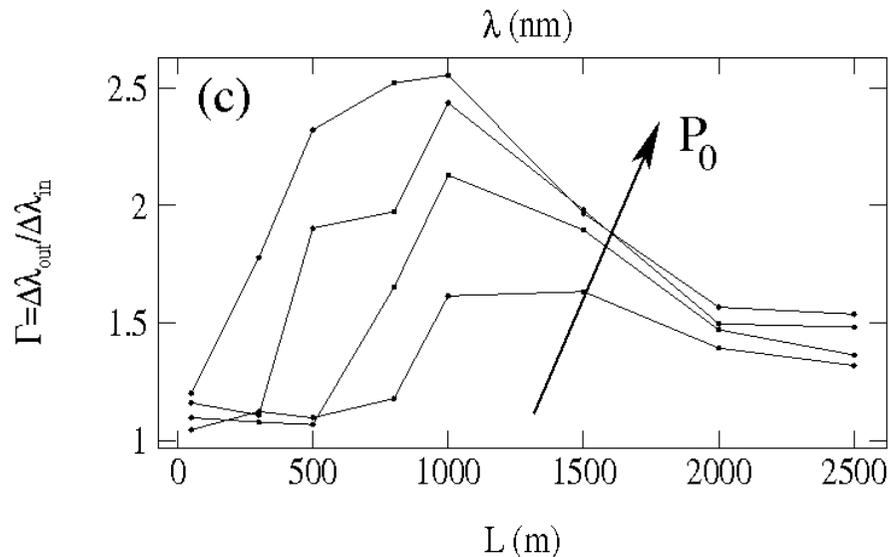
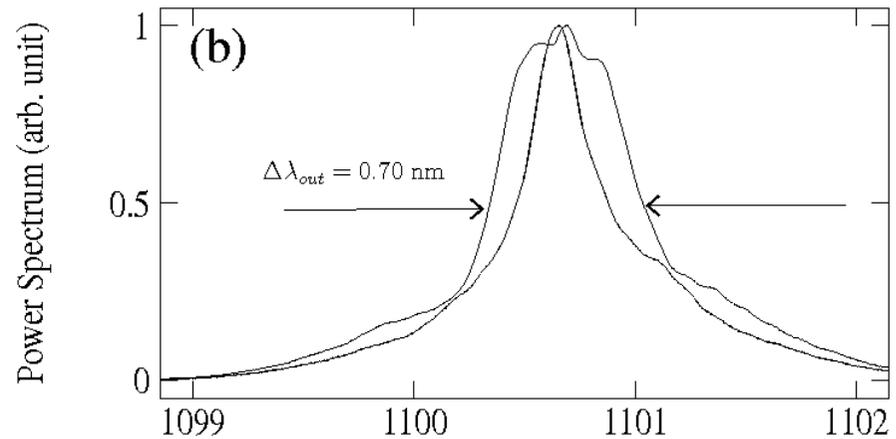
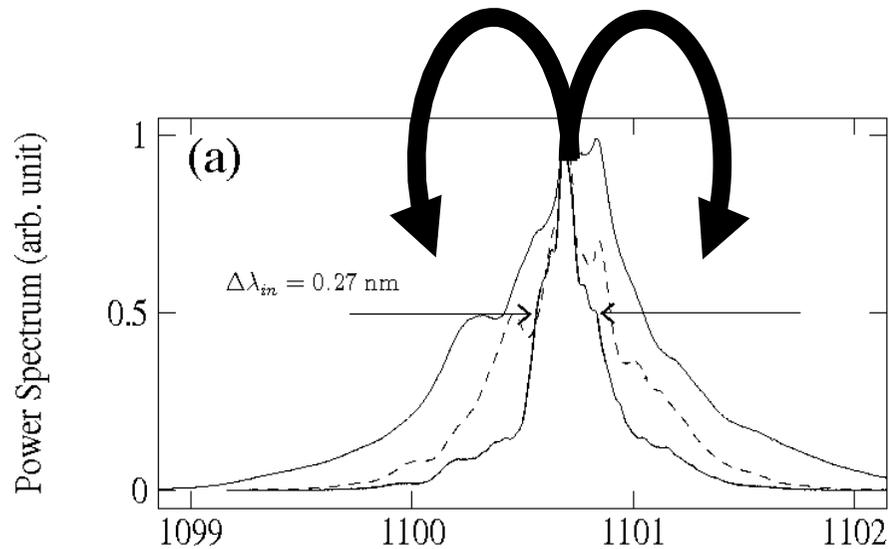
$$\frac{H_L}{H_{NL}} \approx 10^{-5}$$



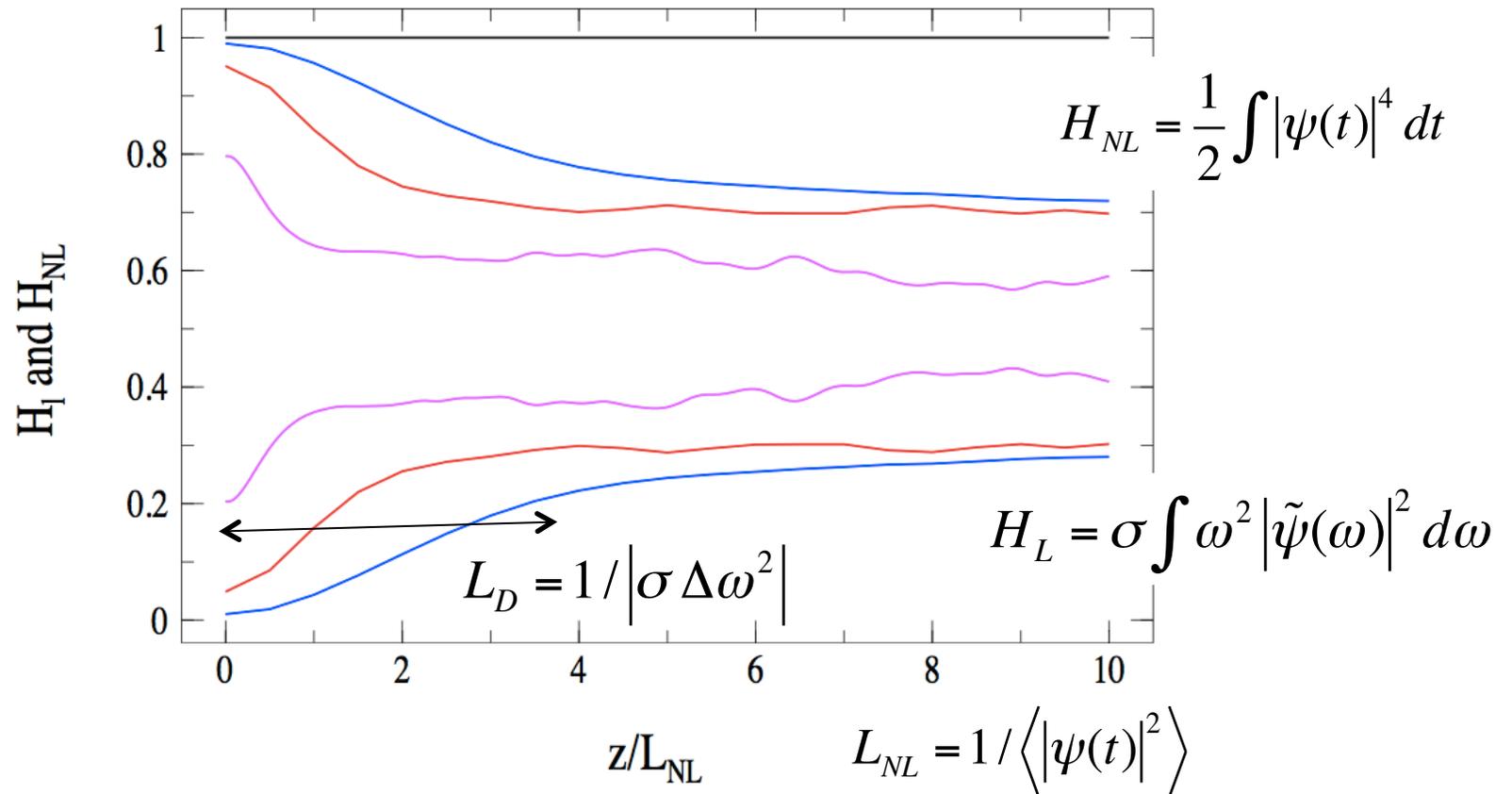
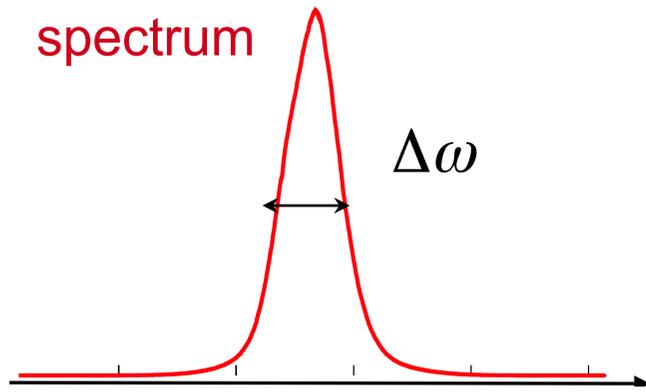
# Experiments and numerical simulations (1D NLS)

Irreversible evolution toward a steady state

defocusing case : no BF



$$i \partial_z \psi(z, t) = -\sigma \partial_t^2 \psi(z, t) + |\psi(z, t)|^2 \psi(z, t)$$



# « Wave turbulence » in 1D NLS : non resonant interactions

**1D NLS**  $i \partial_z \psi(z, t) = -\sigma \partial_t^2 \psi(z, t) + |\psi(z, t)|^2 \psi(z, t)$

$\sigma = \pm 1$

$$\langle \tilde{\psi}(z, \omega) \tilde{\psi}^*(z, \omega') \rangle = n_\omega(z) \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

$$\langle \tilde{\psi}(z, \omega_1) \tilde{\psi}(z, \omega_2) \tilde{\psi}^*(z, \omega_3) \tilde{\psi}^*(z, \omega_4) \rangle = J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z) \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_3 - \omega_4)$$

$$\langle \tilde{\psi}(\omega_1) \tilde{\psi}(\omega_2) \dots \tilde{\psi}^*(\omega_m) \tilde{\psi}^*(\omega_n) \rangle = \mathcal{F} [n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m, n_n]$$

$$\frac{\partial n_{\omega_1}(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \int \int d\omega_{2-4} \text{Im} [J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z)] \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_3 - \omega_4),$$

$$\frac{\partial J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z)}{\partial z} - i \Delta k J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z) = \frac{i}{\pi} \mathcal{N}(z)$$

$$\mathcal{N}(z) = n_{\omega_1}(z) n_{\omega_2}(z) n_{\omega_3}(z) n_{\omega_4}(z) \left[ \frac{1}{n_{\omega_2}(z)} + \frac{1}{n_{\omega_1}(z)} - \frac{1}{n_{\omega_4}(z)} - \frac{1}{n_{\omega_3}(z)} \right]$$

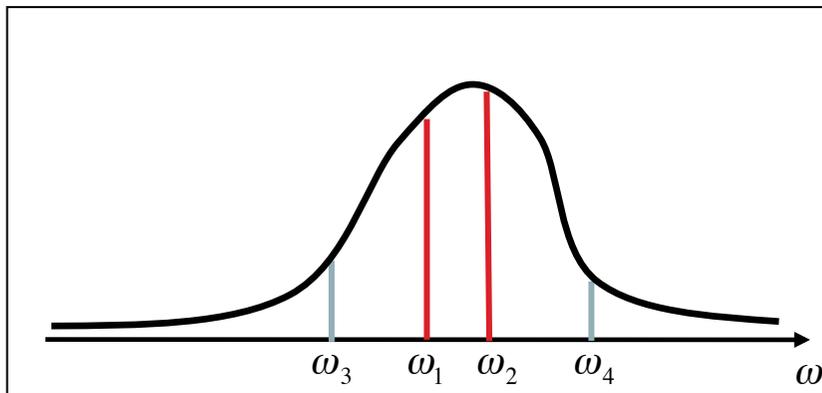
## « Wave turbulence » in 1D NLS

$$z \gg \frac{1}{\Delta k} \quad \frac{\partial n_{\omega_1}(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \int \int d\omega_{2-4} \mathcal{N}(z) \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_3 - \omega_4) \delta(\Delta k)$$

$$\omega_1 + \omega_2 = \omega_3 + \omega_4$$

$$\Delta k = k(\omega_1) + k(\omega_2) - k(\omega_3) - k(\omega_4)$$

$$k(\omega) = \sigma \omega^2$$



$$\Delta k = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_1 = \omega_3$$

$$\partial_z n(\omega, z) = 0$$

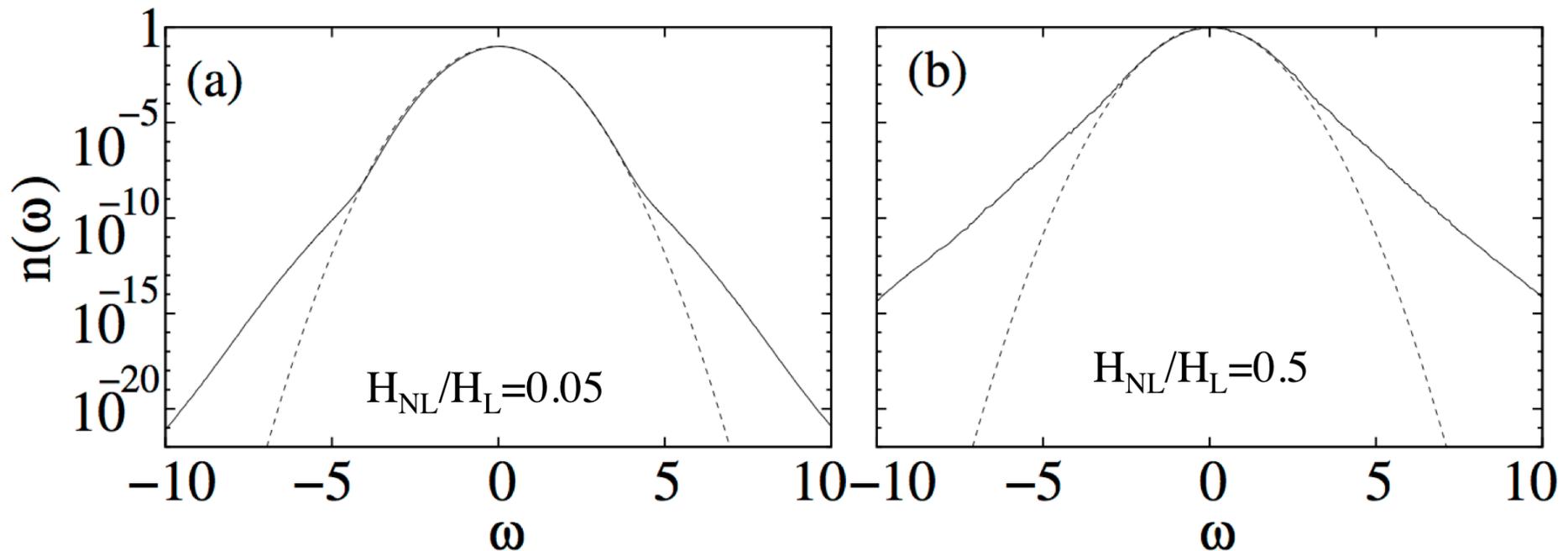
**But in optical fiber experiments : short « time » are crucial !**

- Sergei Yu. Annenkov and Victor Shrira, *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, **449**, p. 341, (2001)
- S. Annenkov and V. Shrira, *Doklady Physics*, **49**, 6, p. 389 (2004)
- P. Janssen, *J. Phys. Oceanography*, **33**, 864, 2002
- D.B.S. Soh *et al.*, *Opt. Express* **18**, 22393-22405 (2010)
- P. Suret *et al.*, *Opt. Express* **19**, 17852-17863 (2011)

# Numerical simulations : NLS

$$i \partial_z \psi(z, t) = -\sigma \partial_t^2 \psi(z, t) + |\psi(z, t)|^2 \psi(z, t)$$

$$n_\omega^0 = n_\omega(z=0) = n_0 \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{\omega}{\Delta\omega} \right)^2 \right]$$



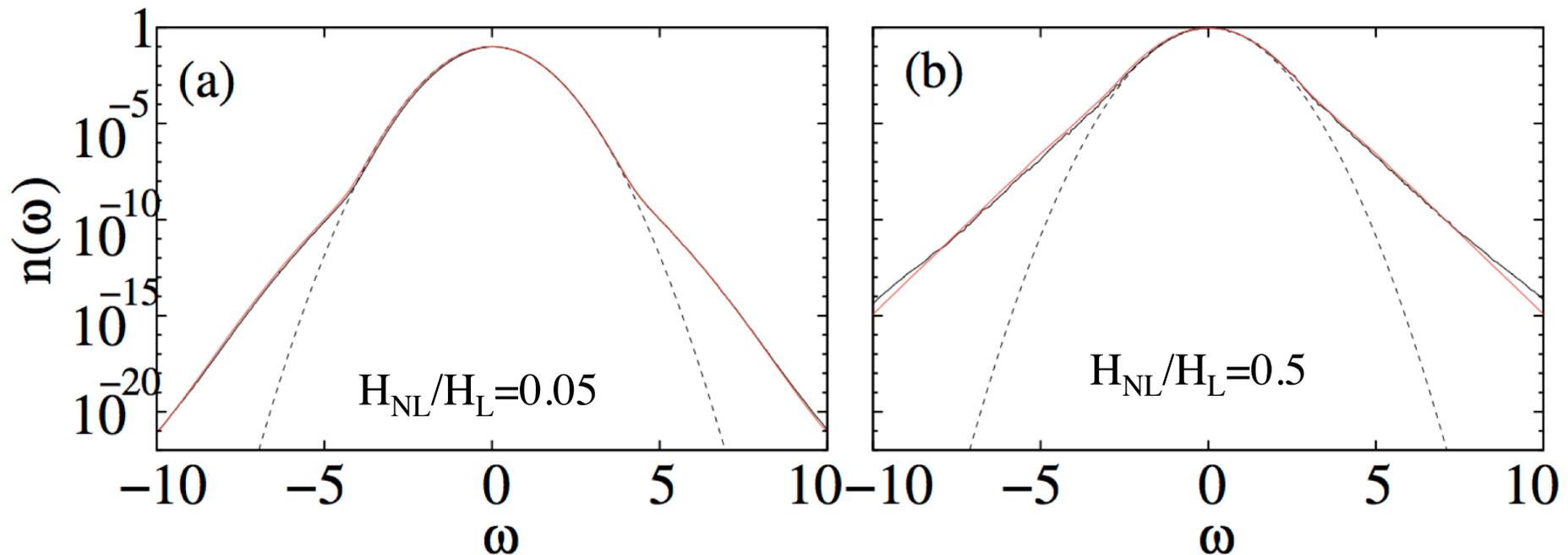
# Numerical simulations : NLS / kinetic equations

$$\frac{\partial n_{\omega_1}(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \int \int d\omega_{2-4} \text{Im} [J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z)] \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_3 - \omega_4),$$

$$\frac{\partial J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z)}{\partial z} - i \Delta k J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z) = \frac{i}{\pi} \mathcal{N}(z)$$

$$n_{\omega}^0 = n_{\omega}(z=0) = n_0 \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{\omega}{\Delta\omega} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\mathcal{N}(z) = n_{\omega_1}(z)n_{\omega_2}(z)n_{\omega_3}(z)n_{\omega_4}(z) \left[ \frac{1}{n_{\omega_2}(z)} + \frac{1}{n_{\omega_1}(z)} - \frac{1}{n_{\omega_4}(z)} - \frac{1}{n_{\omega_3}(z)} \right]$$

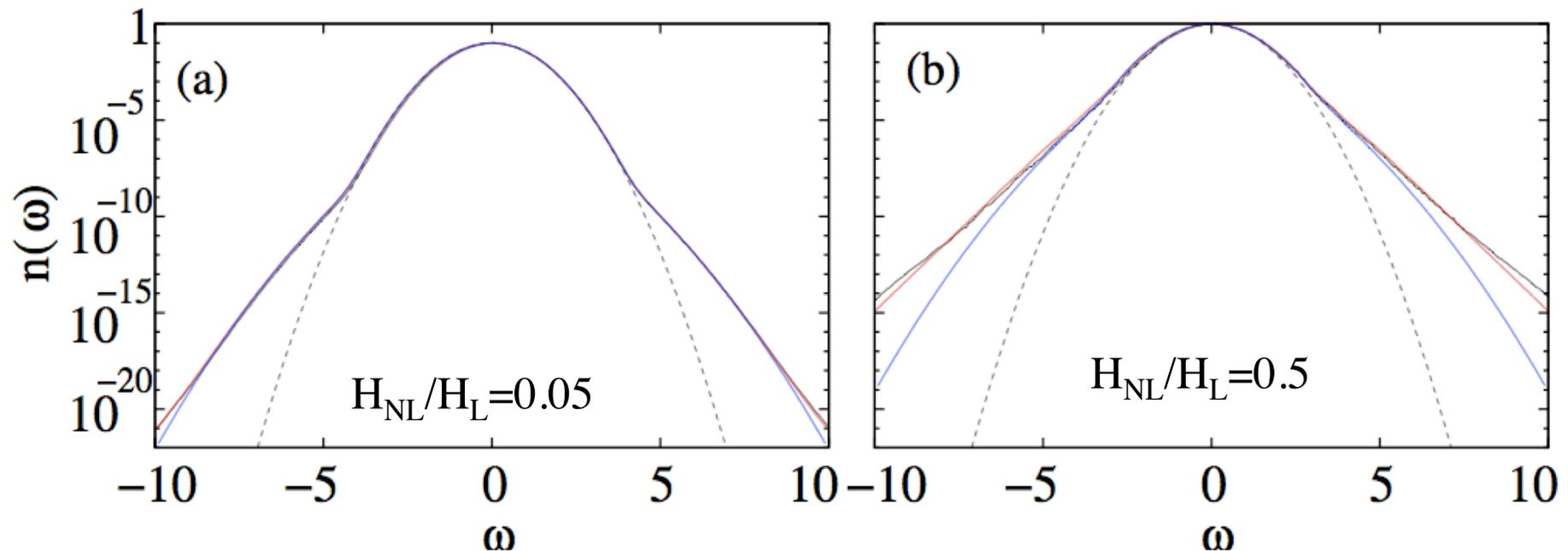


# Numerical simulations : a strong approximation

$$\frac{\partial n_{\omega_1}(z)}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \int \int d\omega_{2-4} \text{Im} [J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z)] \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_3 - \omega_4),$$

$$\frac{\partial J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z)}{\partial z} - i \Delta k J_{1,2}^{3,4}(z) = \frac{i}{\pi} \boxed{N(z=0)} \quad n_{\omega}^0 = n_{\omega}(z=0) = n_0 \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{\omega}{\Delta\omega} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\mathcal{N}(z) = n_{\omega_1}(z)n_{\omega_2}(z)n_{\omega_3}(z)n_{\omega_4}(z) \left[ \frac{1}{n_{\omega_2}(z)} + \frac{1}{n_{\omega_1}(z)} - \frac{1}{n_{\omega_4}(z)} - \frac{1}{n_{\omega_3}(z)} \right]$$



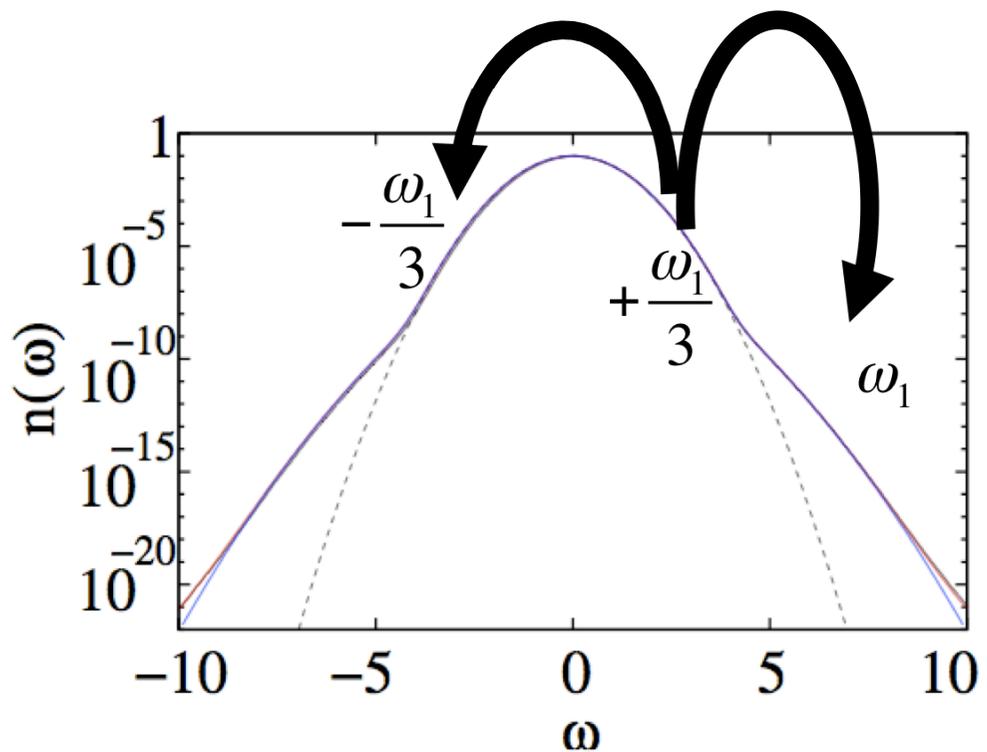
Good approximation  $\mathcal{N}(z) = \mathcal{N}(z=0) !!$

$$\frac{\partial n_{\omega_1}(z)}{\partial z} \simeq \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int \int d\omega_{3-4} n_{\omega_3}^0 n_{\omega_4}^0 n_{\omega_3+\omega_4-\omega_1}^0 \frac{\sin(\Delta k z)}{\Delta k}$$

$$n_{\omega_3}^0 n_{\omega_4}^0 n_{\omega_3+\omega_4-\omega_1}^0 = e^{-(\omega_3)^{2n}} e^{-(\omega_4)^{2n}} e^{-(\omega_3+\omega_4-\omega_1)^{2n}}$$

Dominant contribution

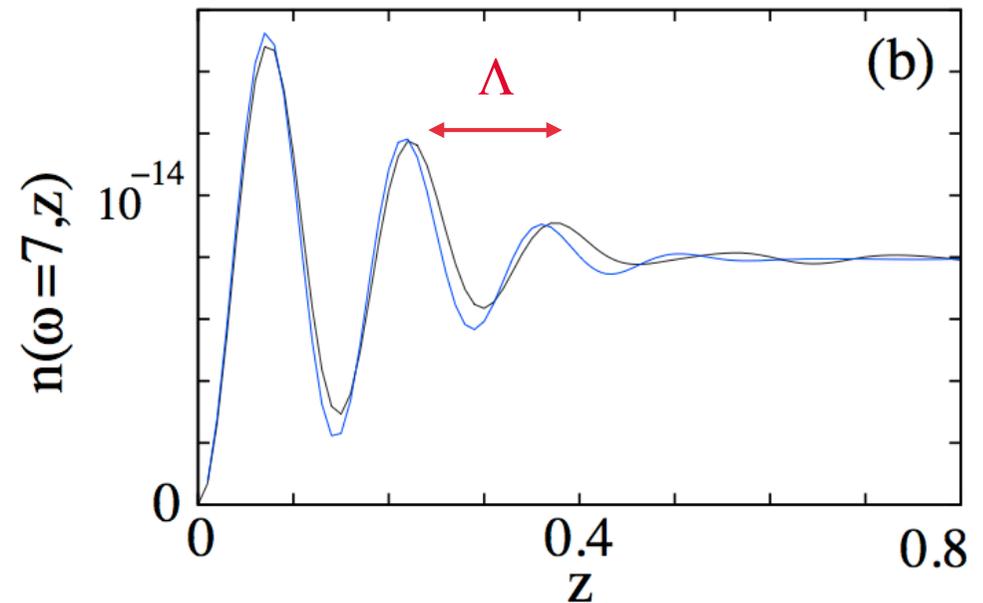
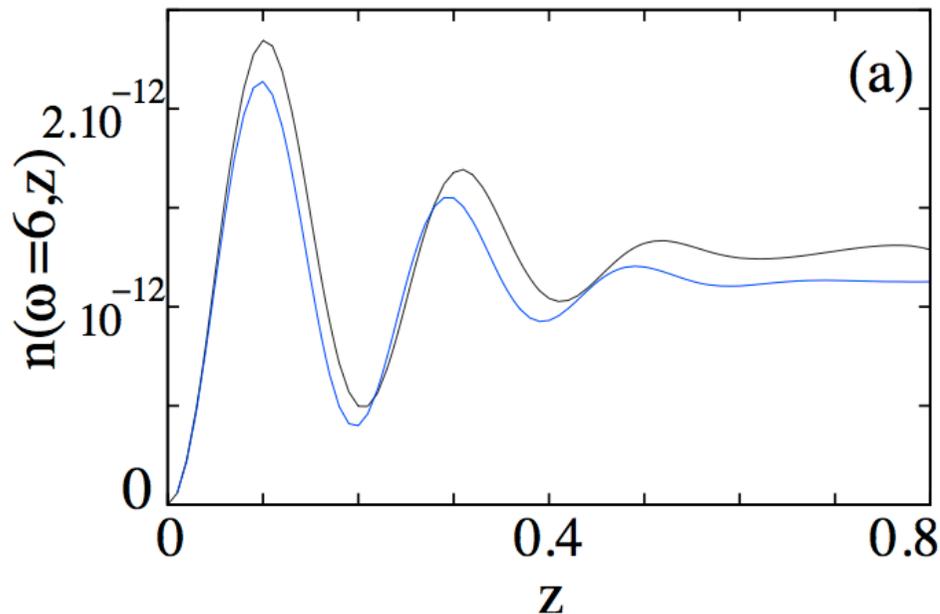
$$\omega_3 \simeq \omega_4 \simeq \frac{\omega_1}{3}, \quad \omega_2 \simeq -\frac{\omega_1}{3}$$



$$\overline{\Delta k} = \frac{8}{9} \sigma \omega_1^2$$

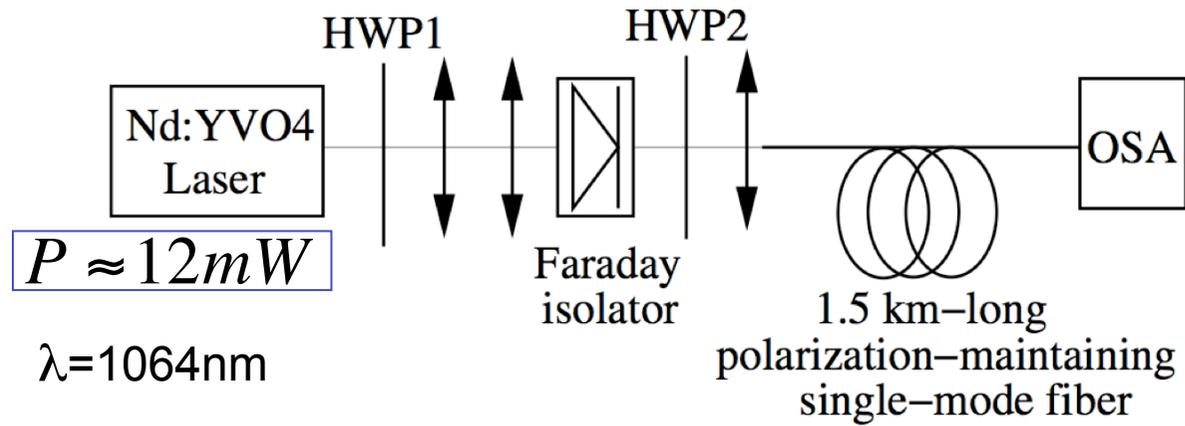
$$\frac{\partial n_{\omega_1}(z)}{\partial z} \simeq \frac{n_0^3}{\sqrt{3}\pi} \frac{9}{8\omega_1^2} \exp\left(\frac{-\omega_1^2}{3} \left(1 + \frac{8z^2}{9}\right)\right) \sin\left(\frac{8\omega_1^2 z}{9}\right)$$

comparison with numerical integration 1D NLS

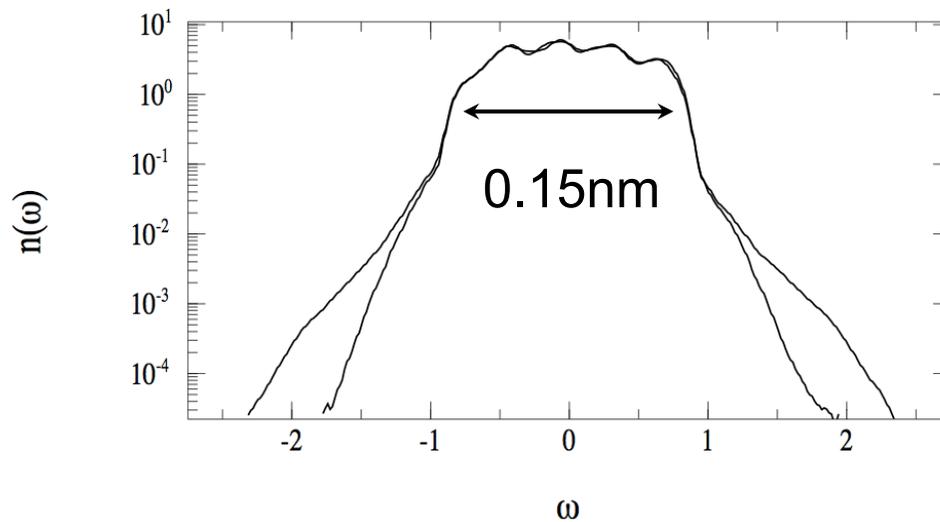


The **period** of oscillations  
is given by the dominant contribution

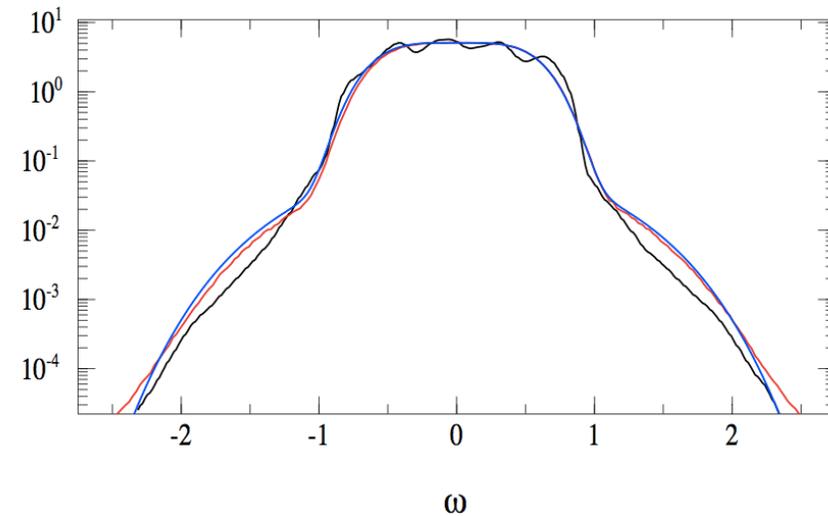
$$\Lambda = \frac{2\pi}{\Delta k} \approx \frac{2\pi}{\frac{8}{9}\omega_1^2}$$



Experiments



Experiments / 1DNLS / kinetic eq.



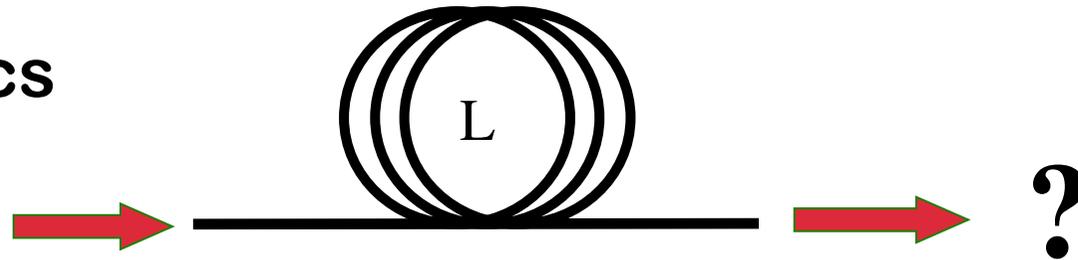
# Evolution of the PDF (1D defocusing NLS)

$$i \partial_z \psi(z,t) = - \partial_t^2 \psi(z,t) + |\psi(z,t)|^2 \psi(z,t)$$

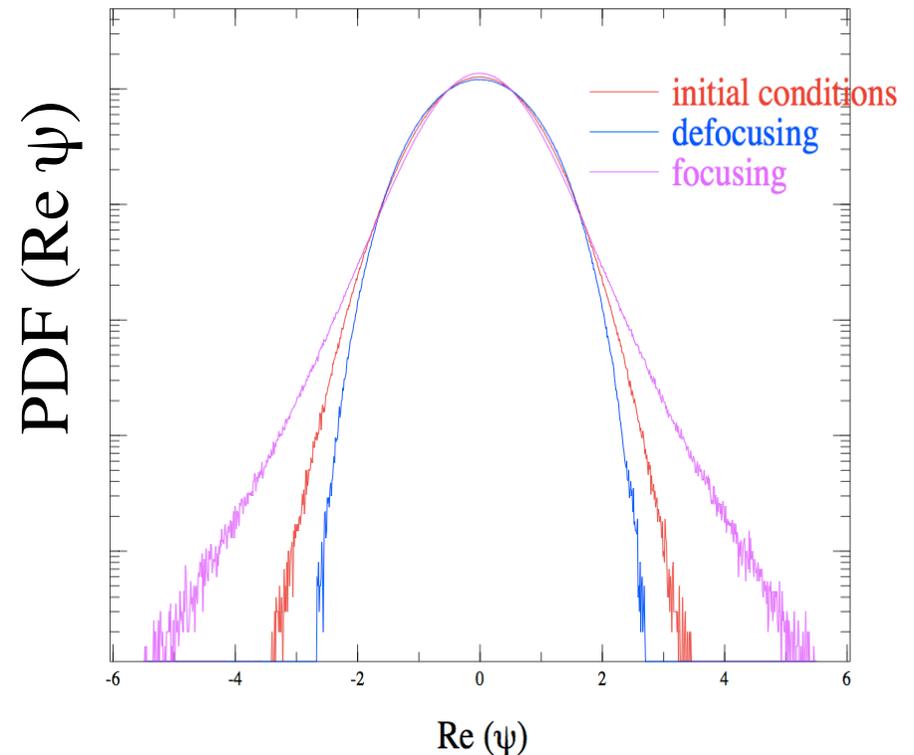
## Gaussian Statistics

$$\text{Re}[\psi(z=0,t)]$$

$$\text{Im}[\psi(z=0,t)]$$



- Hydrodynamics  
P. Janssen, J. Phys. Oceanography 2003  
N. Mori, J. Phys. Oceanography 2011
- Optics (spatial)  
Y. Bromberg et al., Nature Photonics, 2010

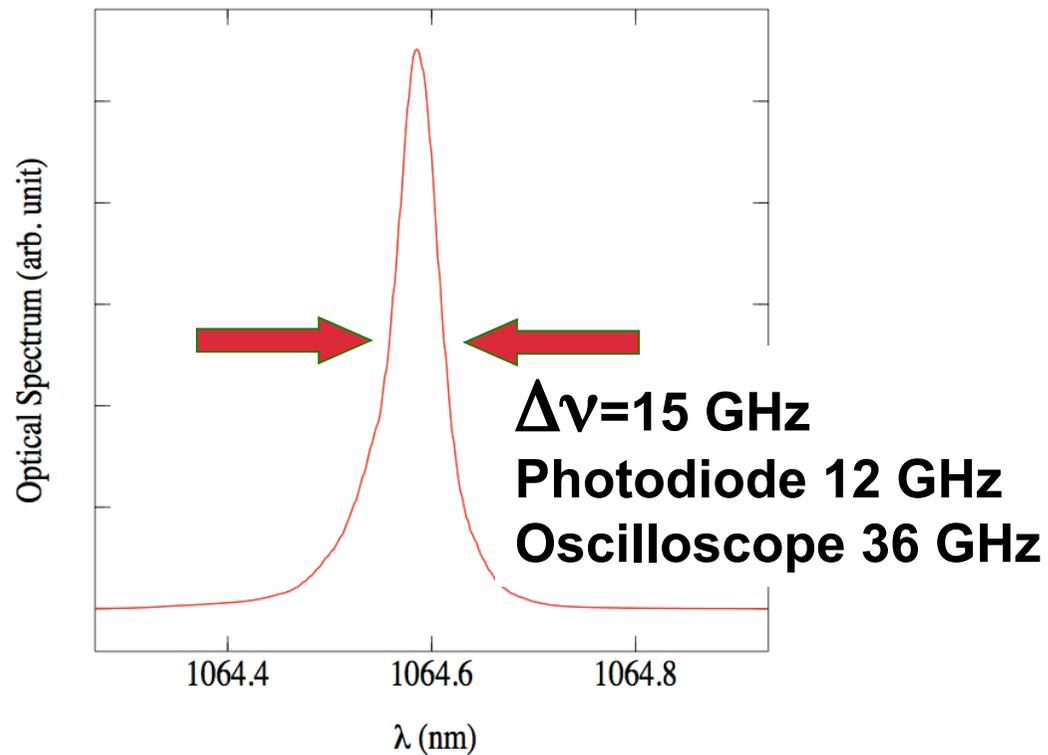
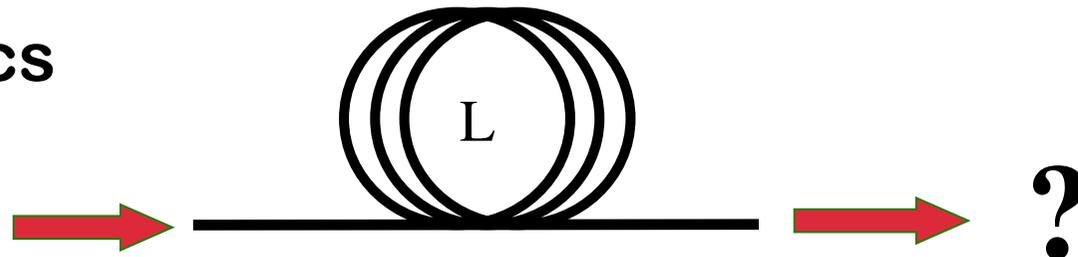


# Experiments in single mode fibers with narrow spectrum

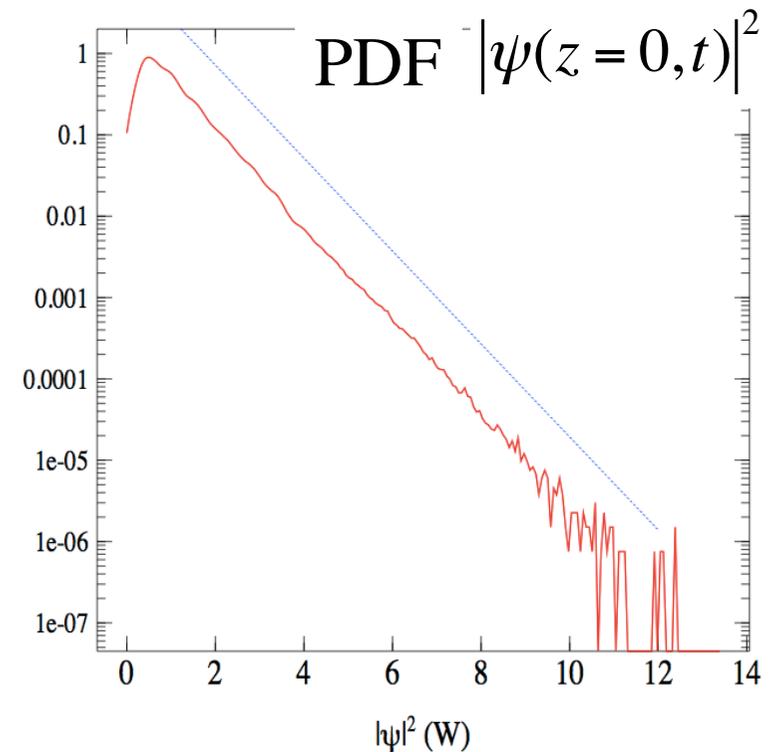
## Gaussian Statistics

$$\text{Re}[\psi(z=0, t)]$$

$$\text{Im}[\psi(z=0, t)]$$



## Exponential Statistics



# Experiments in single mode fibers

$Z=0$

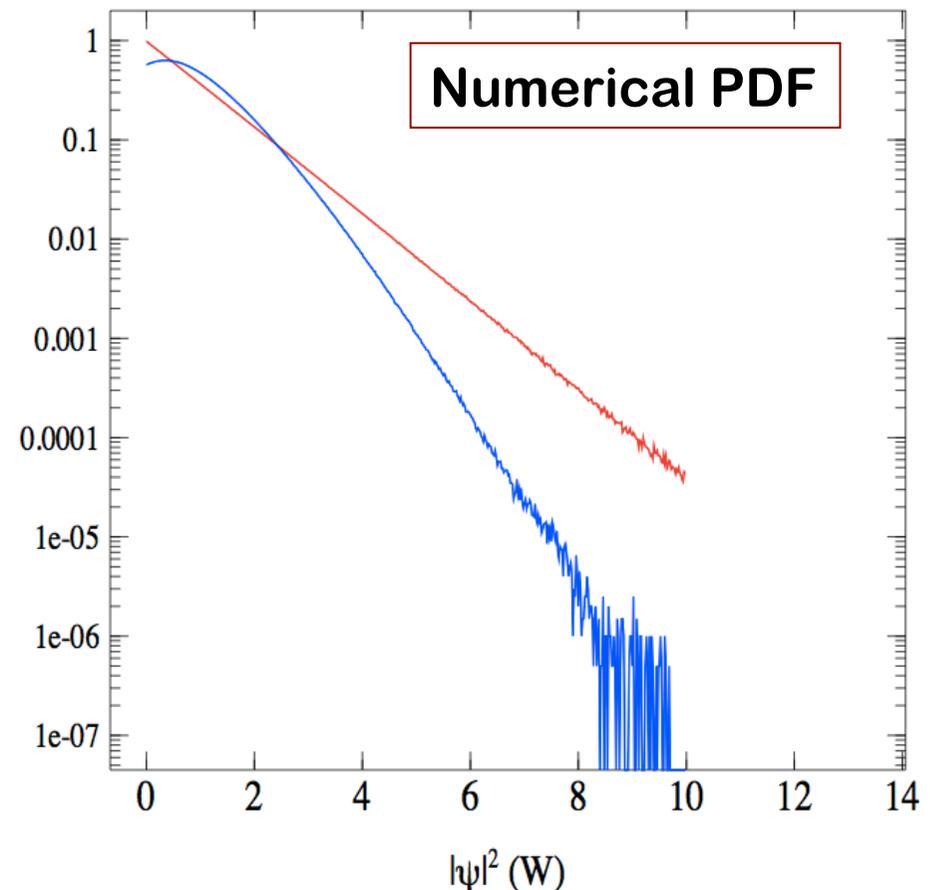
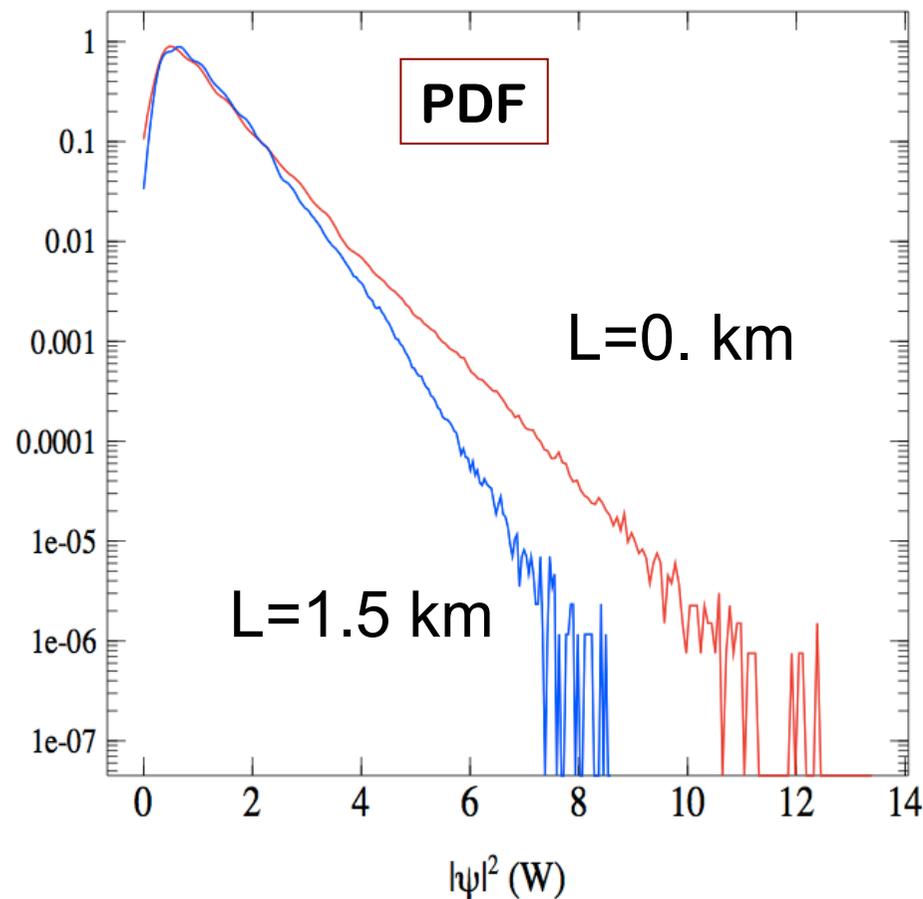
Exponential PDF

$P=0.3W$



Low tail

PDF



P. Suret, P. Walczak and S. Randoux, to be submitted to Phys. Rev.

## Usual wave thermalization

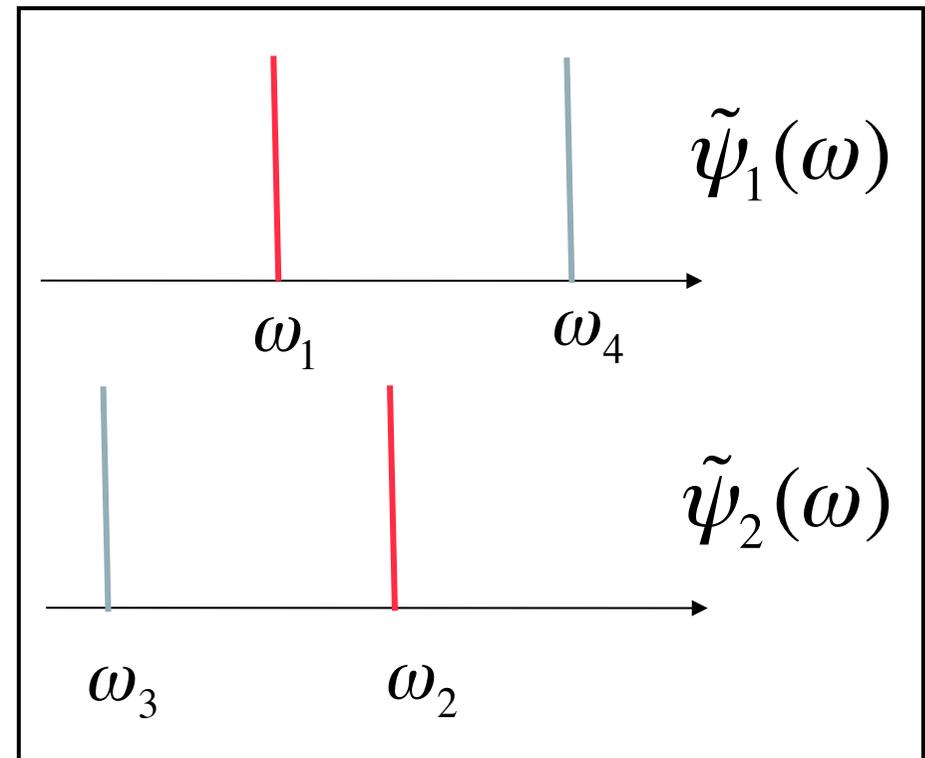
$$i \partial_z \psi_1(z,t) = -\beta_1 \partial_t^2 \psi_1(z,t) + (|\psi_1|^2 + \kappa |\psi_2|^2) \psi_1(z,t) \quad \boxed{\kappa = 2}$$
$$i \partial_z \psi_2(z,t) = -\beta_2 \partial_t^2 \psi_2(z,t) + (|\psi_2|^2 + \kappa |\psi_1|^2) \psi_2(z,t) \quad \boxed{\beta_1 \neq \beta_2}$$

### Cross 4 Waves mixing ( $\kappa$ )

Energy  $\boxed{\omega_1 + \omega_2 = \omega_3 + \omega_4}$

### Phase-Matching

$$\boxed{\beta_1 \omega_1^2 + \beta_2 \omega_2^2 = \beta_2 \omega_3^2 + \beta_1 \omega_4^2}$$



Thermodynamical equilibrium (Rayleigh-Jeans)

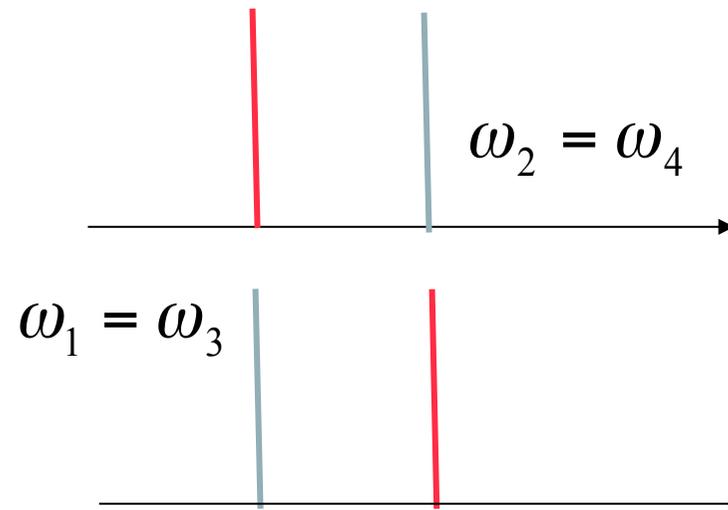
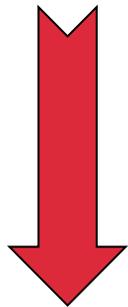
# Anomalous Thermalization

$$i \partial_z \psi_1(z, t) = -\beta \partial_t^2 \psi_1(z, t) + (|\psi_1|^2 + \kappa |\psi_2|^2) \psi_1(z, t)$$

$$i \partial_z \psi_2(z, t) = -\beta \partial_t^2 \psi_2(z, t) + (|\psi_2|^2 + \kappa |\psi_1|^2) \psi_2(z, t)$$

$$\beta_1 = \beta_2$$

**Degenerate  
resonances conditions**



$$\tilde{\psi}_1(\omega)$$

$$\tilde{\psi}_2(\omega)$$

$J_\omega$  **LOCAL invariant (for each  $\omega$ )**  $J_\omega = n_1(\omega, z) + n_2(\omega, z)$

$$\frac{\partial J_\omega}{\partial z} = 0$$

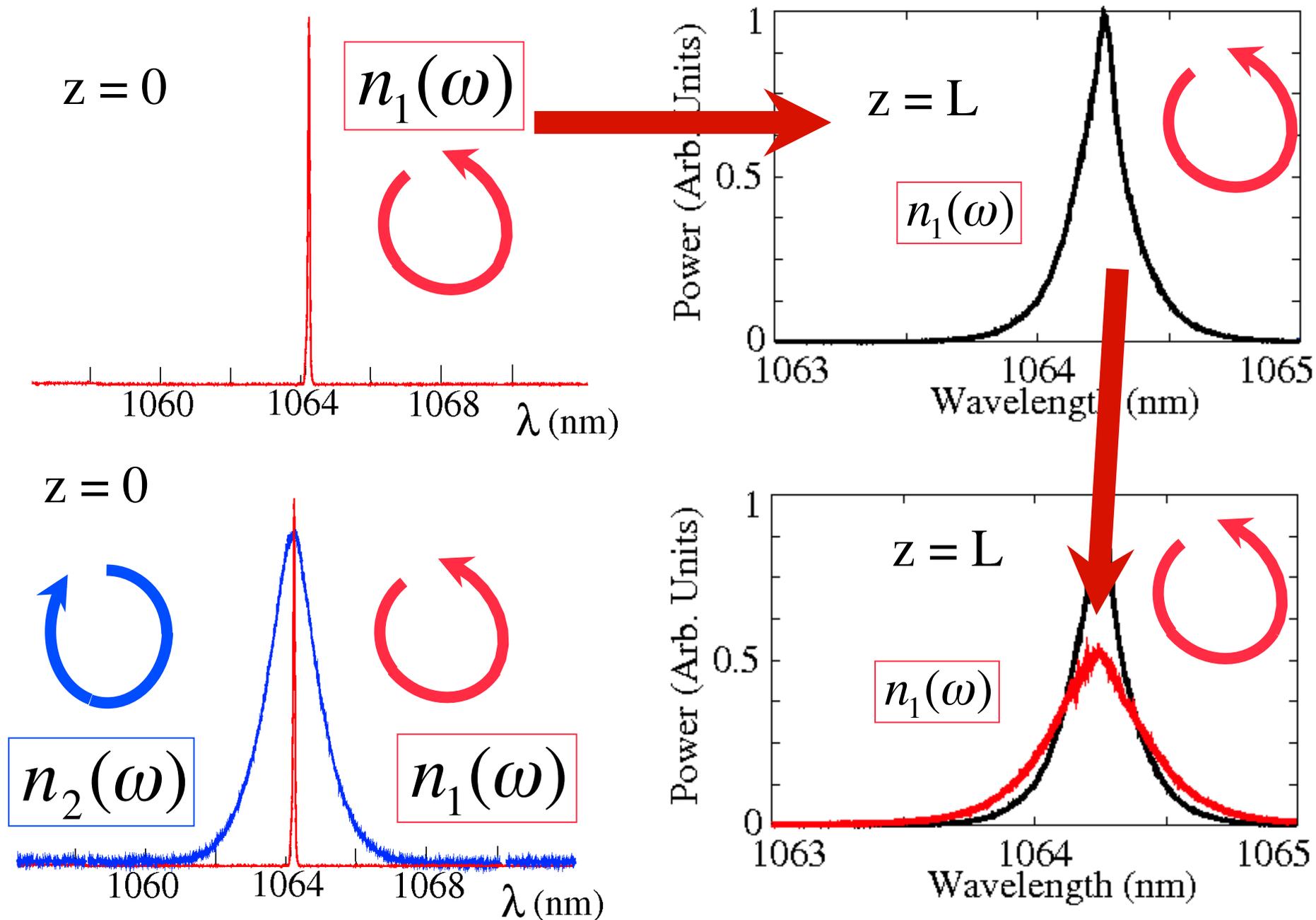
**NO energy equipartition**

**equilibrium state preserves a memory of the initial condition**

Suret *et al.*, PRL **104**, 054101 (2010)

C. Michel *et al.*, Opt. Lett. **35**, 2367-2369 (2010)

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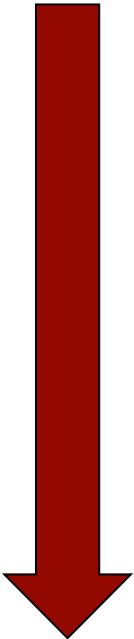


# Incoherent waves and phase-matching conditions

Resonances conditions  $\omega_1 + \omega_2 = \omega_3 + \omega_4$

$$\Delta k = (k(\omega_1) + k(\omega_2)) - (k(\omega_3) + k(\omega_4)) = 0$$

**Integrability**



## **Wave thermalization**

(condensation,  
Rayleigh-Jeans distribution)

V.E. Zakharov, V. L'vov and G. Falkovich, Springer, 1992

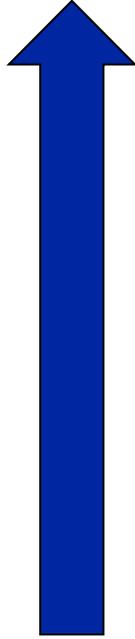
## **Anomalous Wave thermalization**

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## **Turbulence in Integrable Systems**

V.E. Zakharov, Studies in Applied Mathematics,  
**122**, 3, (2009)

**Resonances**



WTT applied to 1D-NLS equation (propagation in single mode fiber)

Theory / Experiments

Anomalous Thermalization

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Integrable case : transient regime (FWM without phase-matching)

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Open Questions

It does not matter how integrability is broken ?

**Theoretical framework (Fourier space / random initial condition) ?**

- (quasi-) kinetic equations (weakly nonlinear regime)
- Highly nonlinear regime : IST+random initial conditions ?