

Anomalous heat conduction in anharmonic chains with space-reversal symmetry

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Introduction

- Anomalous heat conduction in low dimensions

heat conductivity $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$ in system size $L \rightarrow \infty$

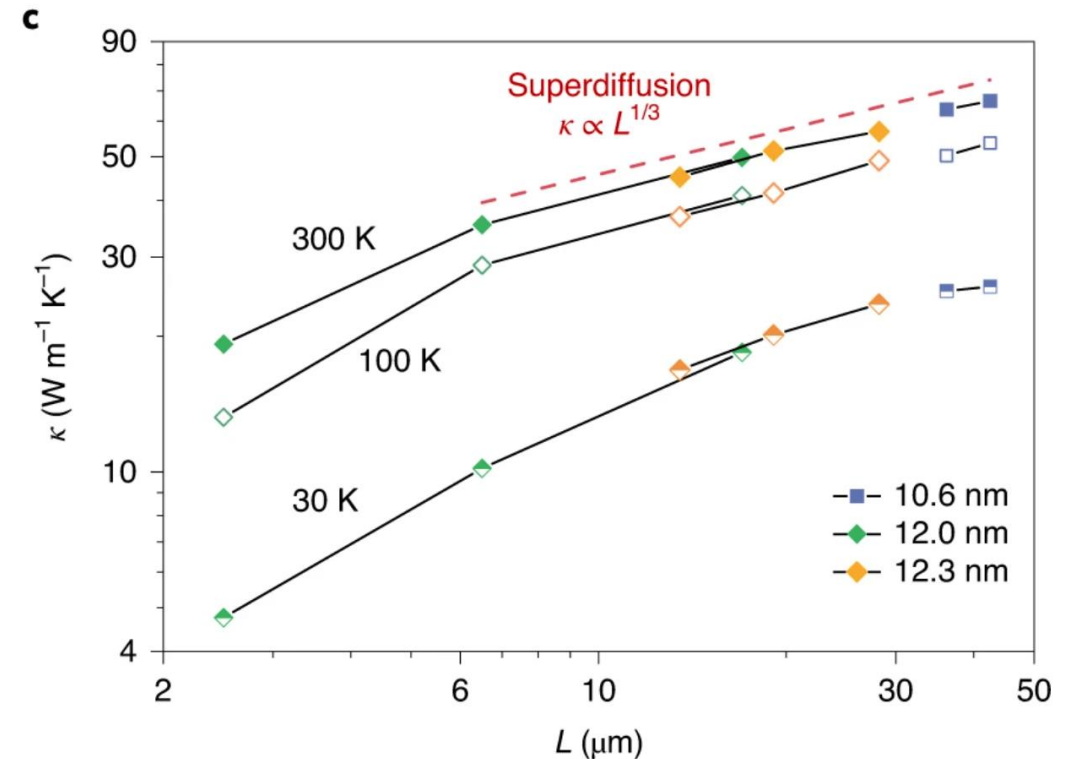
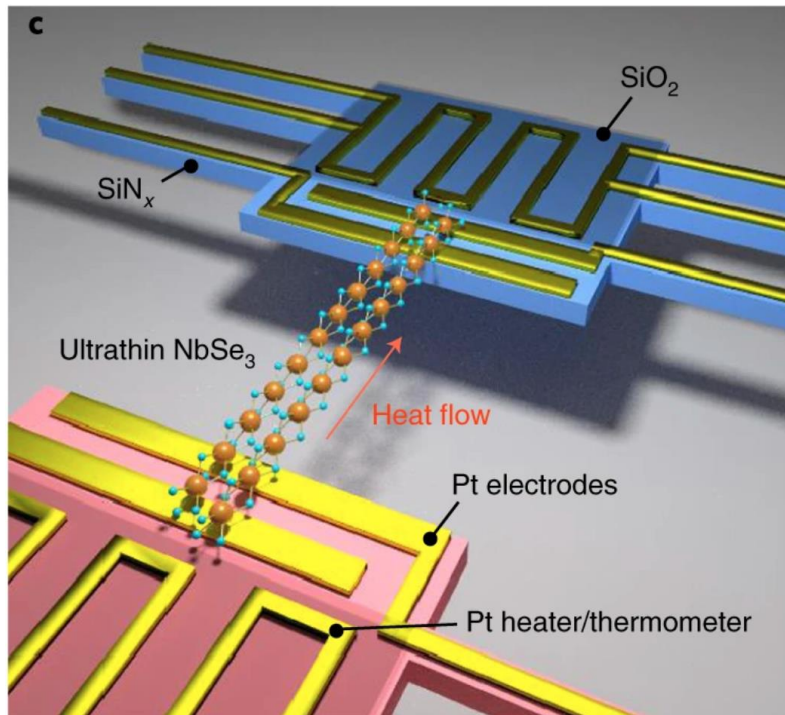
- Theoretically discussed since the 70s
- Becomes possible to experiment in recent years

Nanowire

- Pseudo 1D system: Length $\sim \mu\text{m} \gg$ Diameter $\sim \text{nm}$

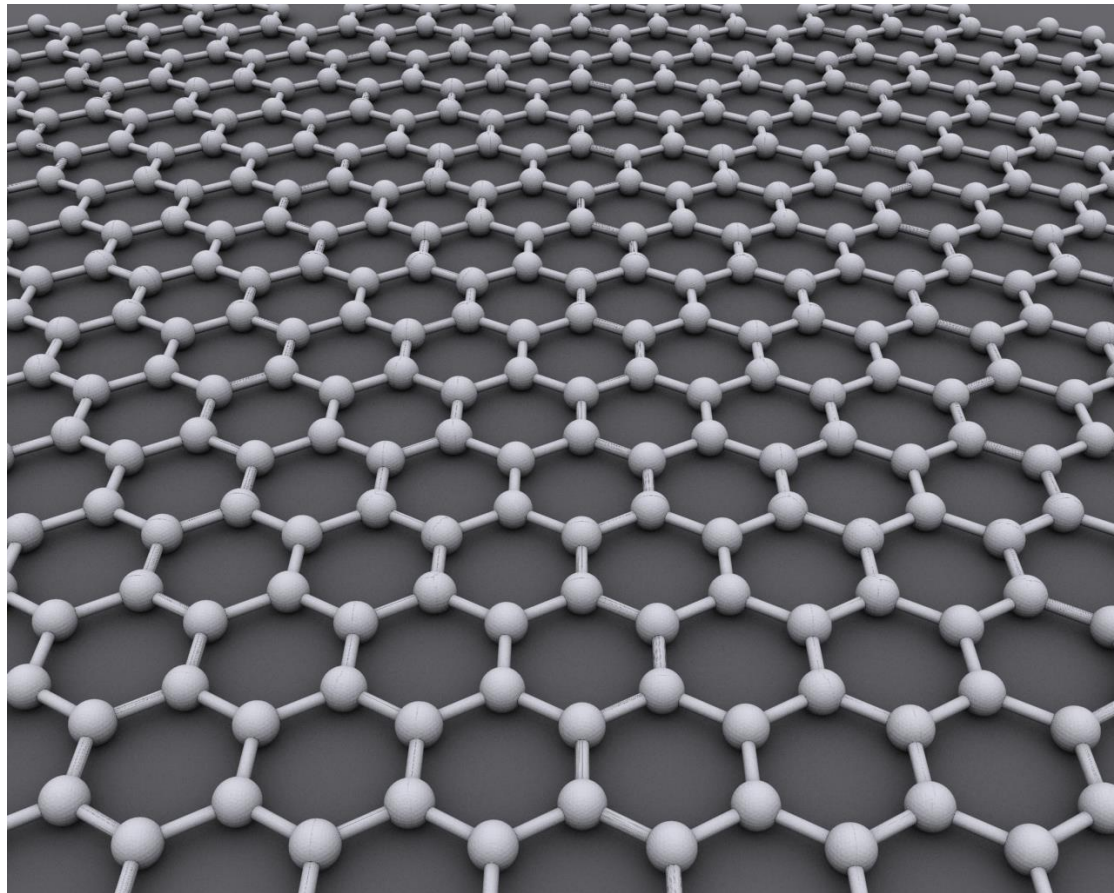
$$\kappa \sim L^{1/3}$$

Experiment: L. Yang, et.al., Nature nanotechnology (2021)



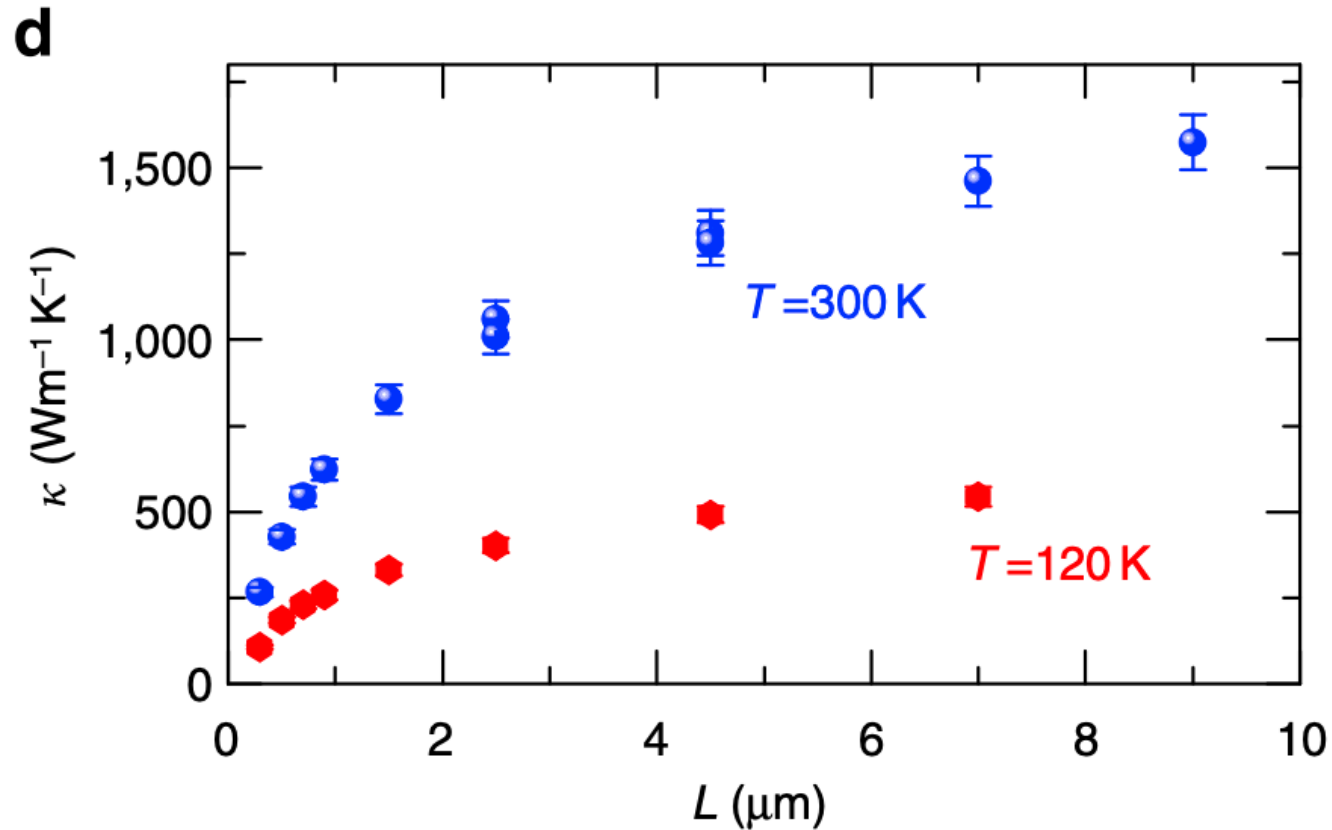
Graphene

- 2D lattice



Heat conductivity of Graphene

Experiment: X. Xu, et.al. Nature Communications(2014)

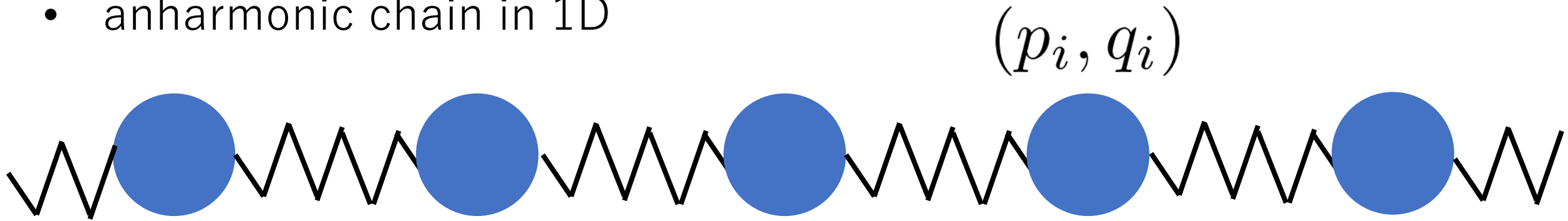


$$\kappa \sim \log L$$

Theory for anharmonic chain

Spohn, J. stat. mech(2014); arXiv:1505.05987v2 [cond-mat.stat-mech]

- anharmonic chain in 1D



Hamiltonian:

$$H = \sum_i \left[\frac{p_i^2}{2m} + V(q_{i+1} - q_i) \right],$$

Example:

$$V(x) = ax^2 + bx^3 + cx^4,$$

Fluctuating hydrodynamics (FHD)

Hydrodynamic variables: energy e , momentum g , stretch l

For $V(x) \neq V(-x)$ and nonzero pressure $P \neq 0$

$$\partial_t e - \partial_x \left(\underbrace{-D_e \partial_x e - D_{el} \partial_x l}_{\text{Dissipation}} + \underbrace{Pg + (\partial_l P)lg + (\partial_e P)eg}_{\text{Conservative noise}} \right) = \underline{\xi_e},$$

$$\partial_t g - \partial_x \left(\underbrace{-D_g \partial_x g}_{\text{Dissipation}} + \underbrace{(\partial_l P)l + (\partial_l P)e + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_l^2 P)l^2 + \dots}_{\text{Nonlinear terms}} \right) = \underline{\xi_g},$$

$$\partial_t l - \partial_x g = 0,$$

EOM of Normal modes

Diagonalize

$$(e, g, l) \rightarrow (\phi^+, \phi^-, \phi^0)$$

Sound mode

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + \lambda_1 \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) + \lambda_2 \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) + \dots = \xi^\sigma,$$

Cross terms

heat mode

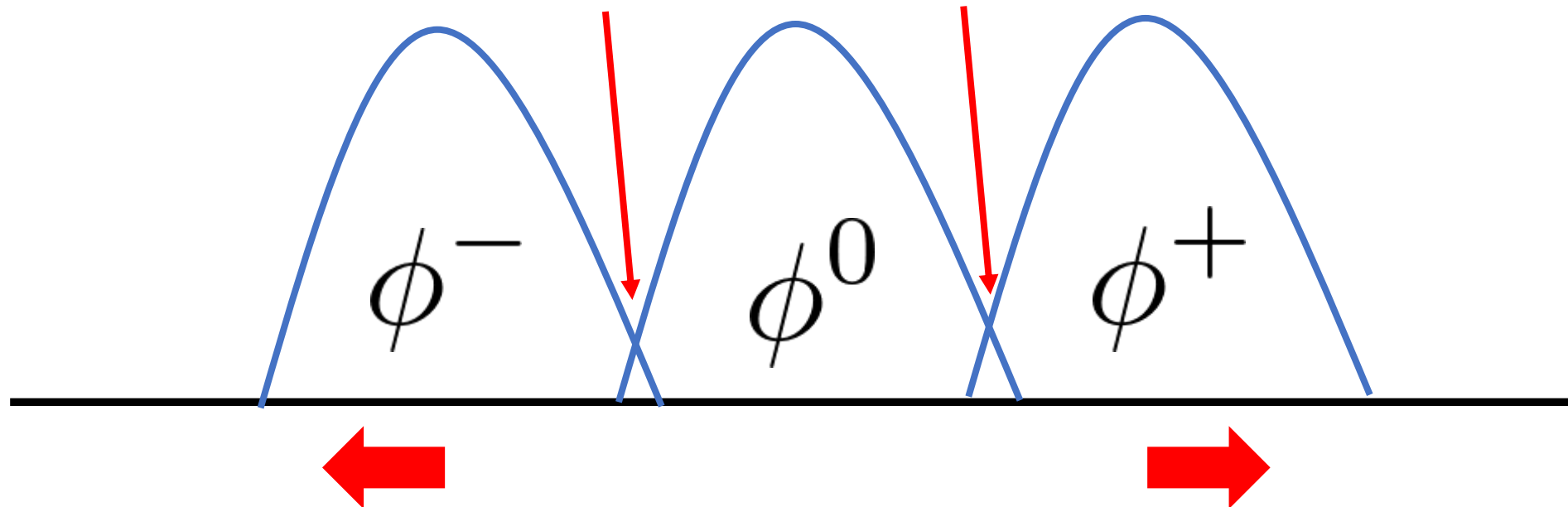
$$(\partial_t - D_0 \partial_x^2) \phi^0 + \sum_{\sigma} \sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) = \xi^0, \quad \sigma = \pm,$$

Spohn's argument

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + \lambda_1 \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) + \lambda_2 \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) + \dots = \xi^\sigma,$$

Neglect all cross terms

Overlap will be small in long-time limit



Burgers eq. with sound velocity

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + \lambda_1 \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) = \xi^\sigma,$$

KPZ class

$$\langle \phi^\sigma(x + \sigma c_s t, t) \phi^\sigma(x, 0) \rangle \sim t^{-1/z},$$

$$z = 3/2,$$

Exponents of heat conductivity and current

Energy current:

$$J_e \propto \phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma \quad \langle J_e(t) J_e \rangle \sim t^{1/z},$$

Heat conductivity:

$$\kappa \sim \int_0^{L/c_s} dt \langle J_e(t) J_e \rangle \sim L^{1-1/z}, \quad z = 3/2,$$

consistent with the Nanowire experiment

with Space-reversal symmetry

There is discrepancy to observed exponent

For even potential and zero pressure

$$V(x) = V(-x), \quad P = 0,$$

Distribution function

$$P_{eq}(q) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left[-\beta \sum_i \left(V(q_{i+1} - q_i) + P q_i \right) \right],$$

$$P_{eq}(q) = P_{eq}(-q),$$

Some interactions vanish by reversal symmetry

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + \lambda_1 \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) + \lambda_2 \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) + \dots = \xi^\sigma,$$

=0



$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + 2\sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) = \xi^\sigma,$$

$$(\partial_t - D_0 \partial_x^2) \phi^0 + \sum_{\sigma} \sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) = \xi^0,$$

Spohn's argument

No Diagonal term

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + \underline{2\sigma \lambda \phi^0 \phi^\sigma} = \eta^\sigma,$$

Still Neglect cross term
(super rough approximation!)

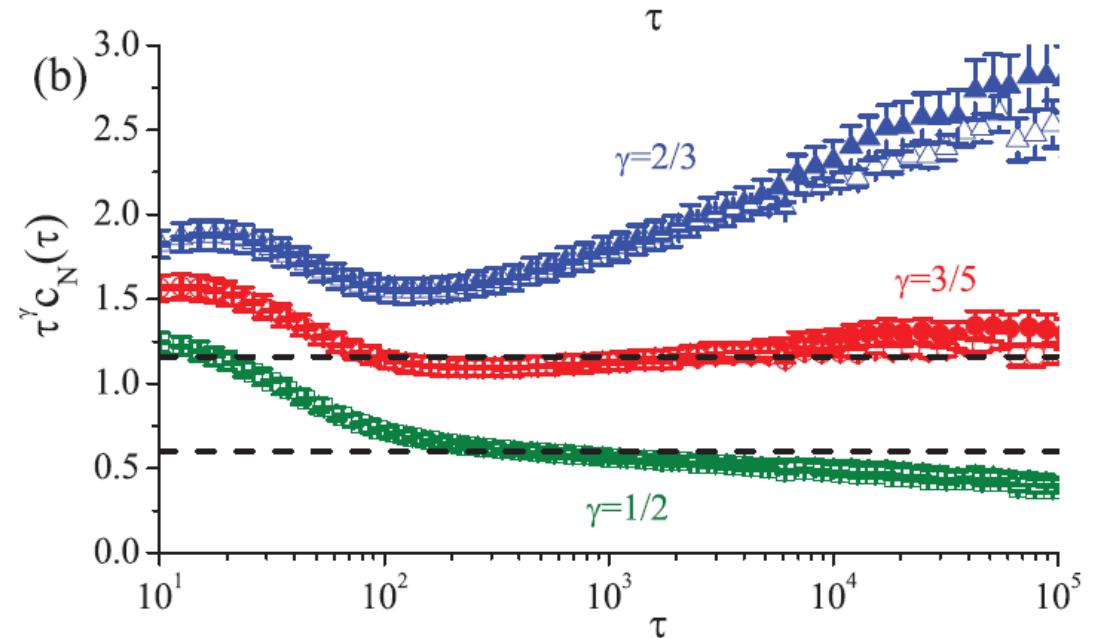
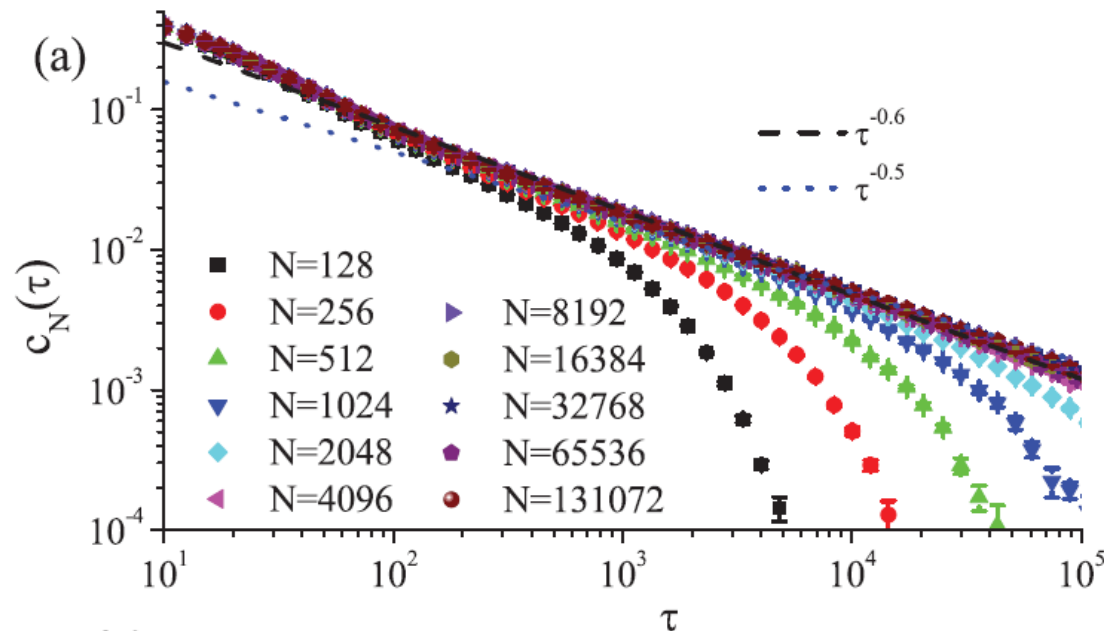
Linear equation \rightarrow trivial exponent $z=2$

Nontrivial exponent from MD

L. Wang, L. Xu, and H. Zhao, Phys. Rev. E **91**, 012110 (2015)

Even potential $V(x) = \frac{1}{4}x^4$ and zero pressure

Energy current correlation $c_N(\tau) = \frac{1}{k_B T^2 N} \langle J(t)J(t+\tau) \rangle \sim \tau^{-0.6}$



Current status

	Observed exponent	Spohn
Without space reversal symmetry	$\sim 2/3$	$2/3$
With reversal symmetry	~ 0.6	$1/2$

No accountable analysis

What we do

- Wilson Renormalization Group (RG) of Spohn's FHD
- Numerical simulation

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + 2\sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) = \xi^\sigma,$$

$$(\partial_t - D_0 \partial_x^2) \phi^0 + \sum_{\sigma} \sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) = \xi^0,$$

Wilson RG

Integrate out the component in the wavenumber shell

$$\phi^\alpha(k) \text{ in } \Lambda - \delta\Lambda \leq |k| \leq \Lambda,$$



RG eq. for parameters

$$-\Lambda \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial \Lambda} = \dots, \quad -\Lambda \frac{\partial D_s}{\partial \Lambda} = \dots,$$

Path integral action

Free part:

$$I_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int dt dx \begin{pmatrix} \phi^\alpha & \pi^\alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & G_A^{-1} \\ G_R^{-1} & -2D_\alpha \partial_x^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi^\alpha \\ \pi^\alpha \end{pmatrix},$$

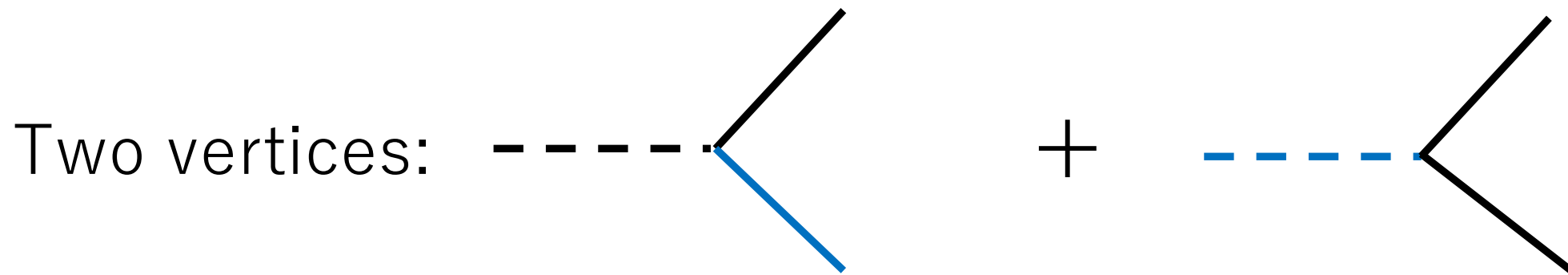
π^α : Auxiliary field


Inverse of Green function:

$$G_{R,A}^{-1} = \pm (\partial_t + \alpha c_s \partial_x) - D_\alpha \partial_x^2$$


Interactions and diagram

$$I_{int} = \int dx dt \left[\lambda \sigma \pi^\sigma \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) + 2 \lambda \sigma \pi^0 \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) \right],$$



ϕ^σ : 

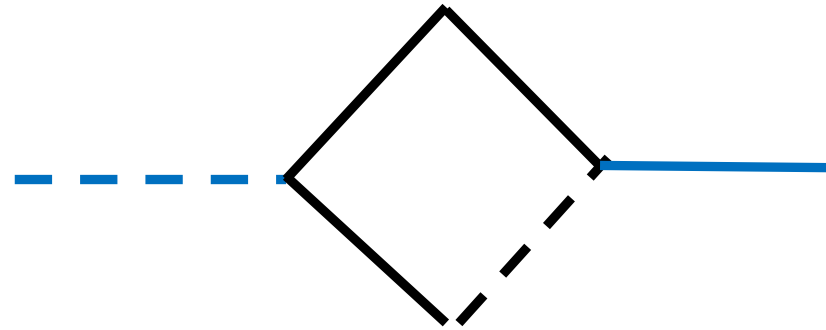
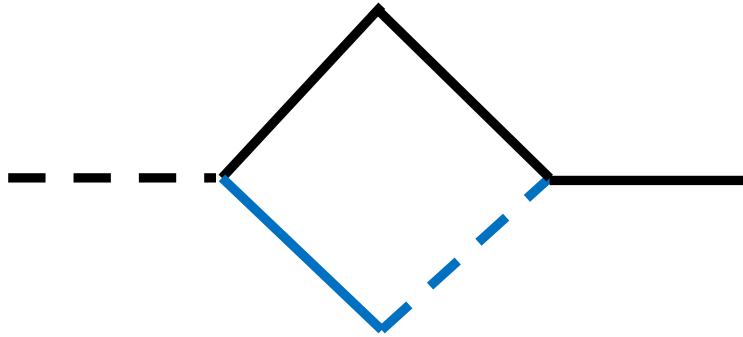
ϕ^0 : 

π^σ : 

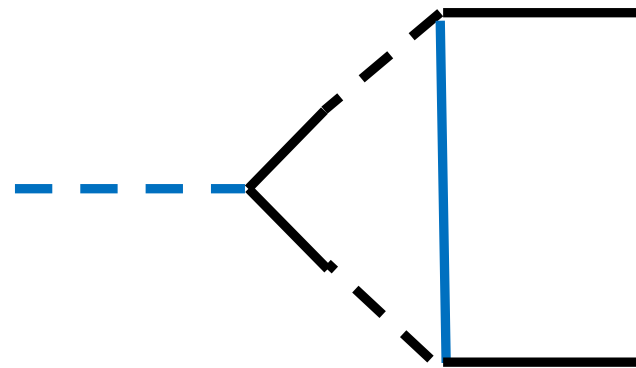
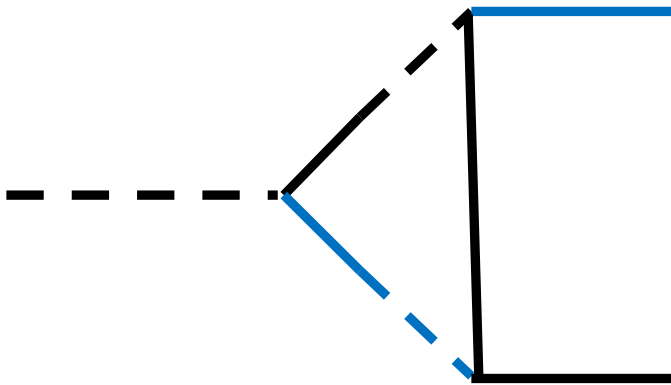
π^0 : 

Self energy and vertex correction

Self energy



Vertex correction



More diagrams appear

RG equation at 1-loop calculation

$$\underline{-\Lambda \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial \Lambda} = \blacksquare} \quad \underline{-\Lambda \frac{\partial c_s}{\partial \Lambda} = \blacksquare}$$

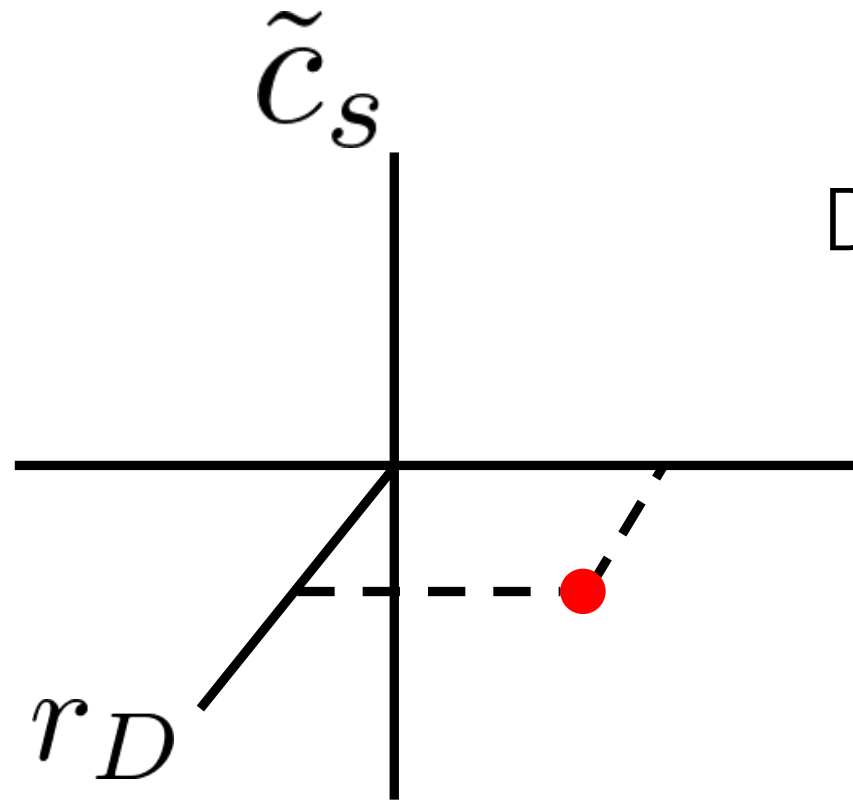
$$-\Lambda \frac{\partial D_0}{\partial \Lambda} = D_0 \blacksquare \quad -\Lambda \frac{\partial D_s}{\partial \Lambda} = D_s \blacksquare$$

Dimensionless parameters:

$$\tilde{\lambda}^2 = \frac{\lambda^2}{\pi D_s^2 \Lambda}, \quad \tilde{c}_s = \frac{c_s}{D_s \Lambda}, \quad r_D = \frac{D_0}{D_s},$$

Nontrivial Fixed point and exponent

$$\tilde{\lambda}^* = \frac{1}{2}, \quad r_D^* = 1, \quad \tilde{c} = 0$$



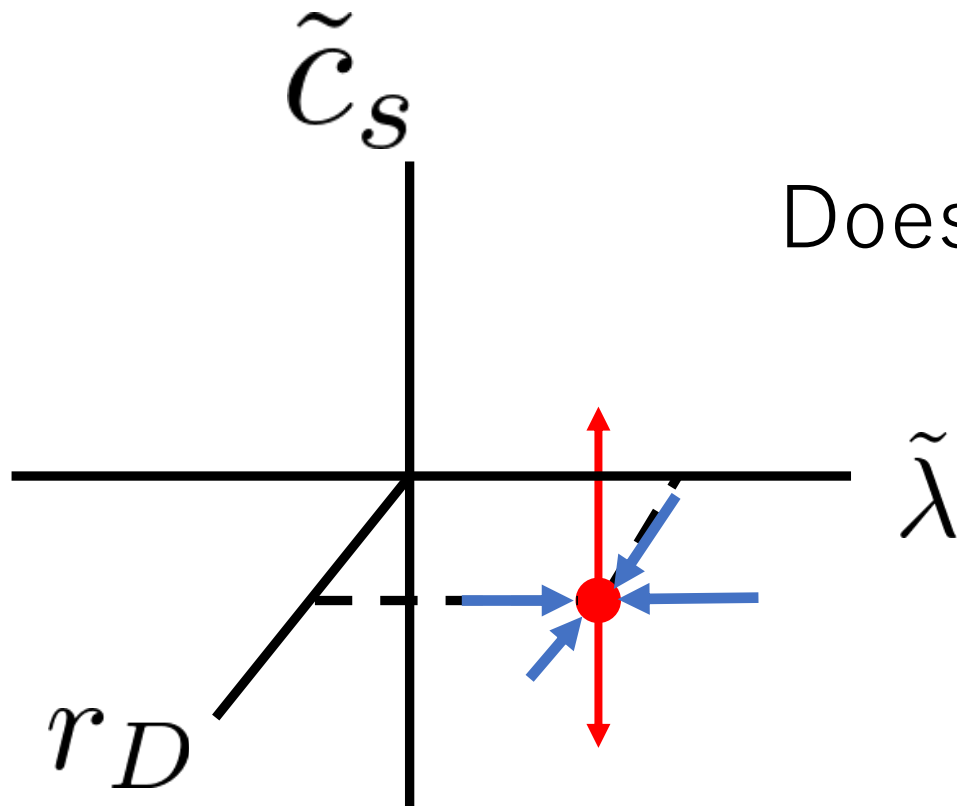
Dynamic exponent $z = \frac{3}{2}$,

$$\langle J_e(t) J_e \rangle \sim t^{-0.66},$$

MD result: $t^{-0.6}$

Parameter flow around fixed point

- **Repulsive** along sound velocity



Does scaling depend on sound velocity?

Numerical simulation of FHD

$$(\partial_t + \sigma c_s \partial_x - D_s \partial_x^2) \phi^\sigma + 2\sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^0 \phi^\sigma) = \xi^\sigma,$$

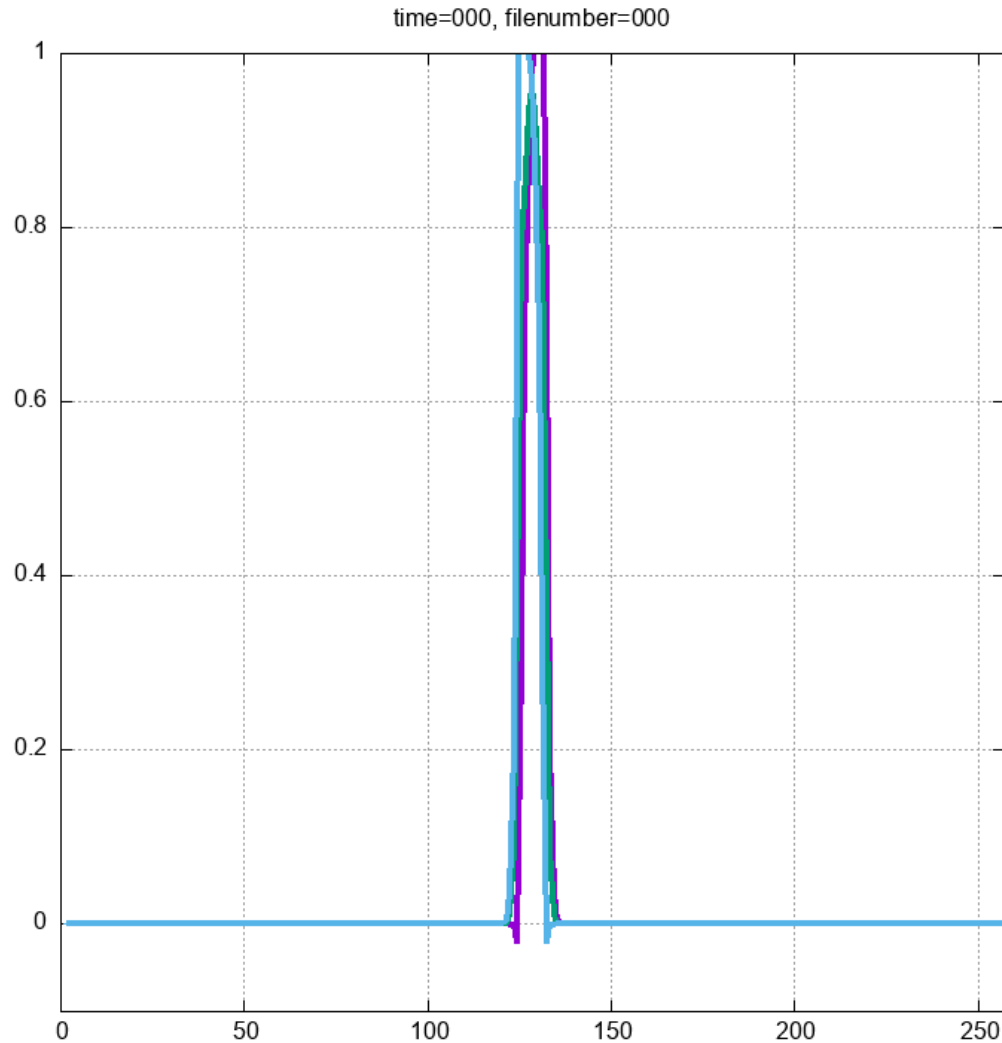
$$(\partial_t - D_0 \partial_x^2) \phi^0 + \sum_{\sigma} \sigma \lambda \partial_x (\phi^\sigma \phi^\sigma) = \xi^0,$$



$$\langle \phi^0(x, t) \phi^0(x, 0) \rangle$$

$$\langle \phi^\sigma(x + \sigma c_s t, t) \phi^\sigma(x, 0) \rangle$$

Time evolution without noise

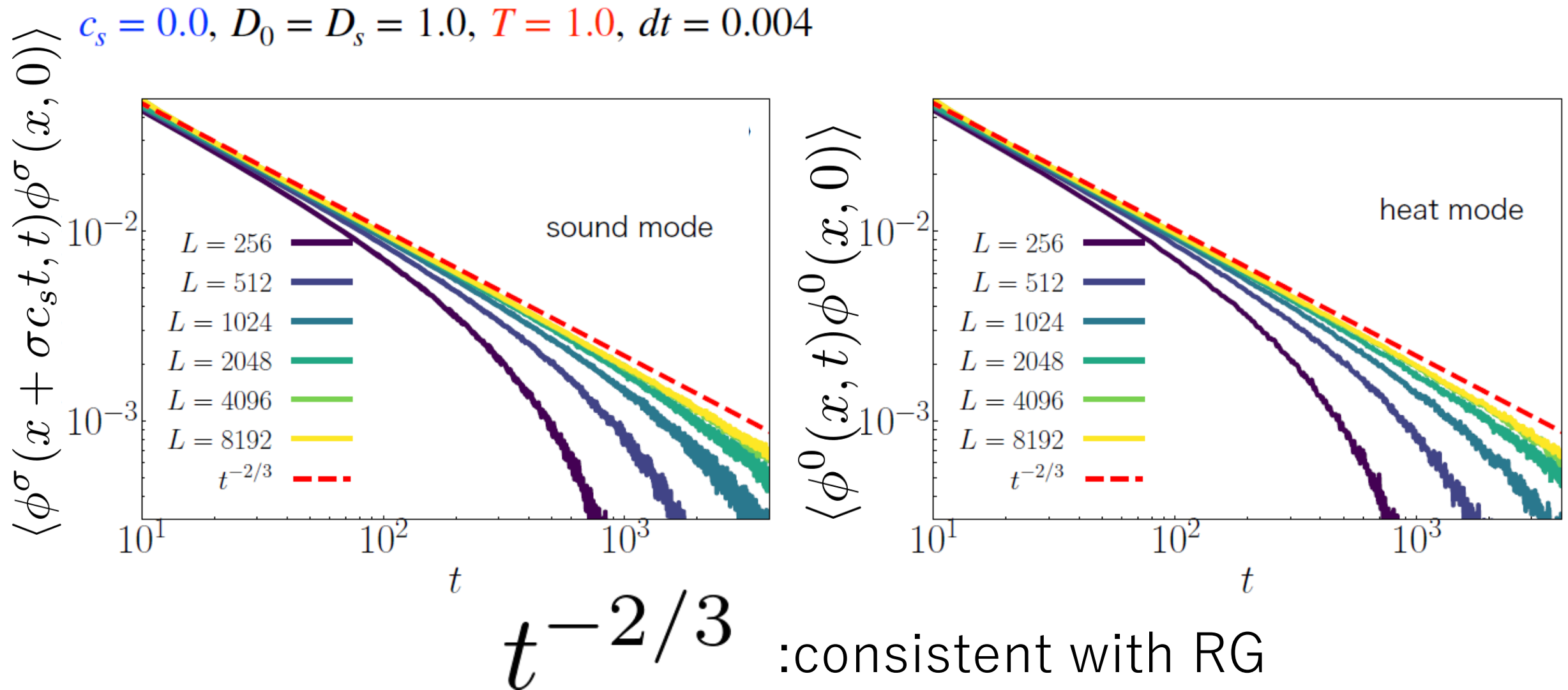


$$\phi^0 : \text{—} \quad \phi^\sigma : \text{—}$$

Part of ϕ^0 propagates by
nonlinear interaction

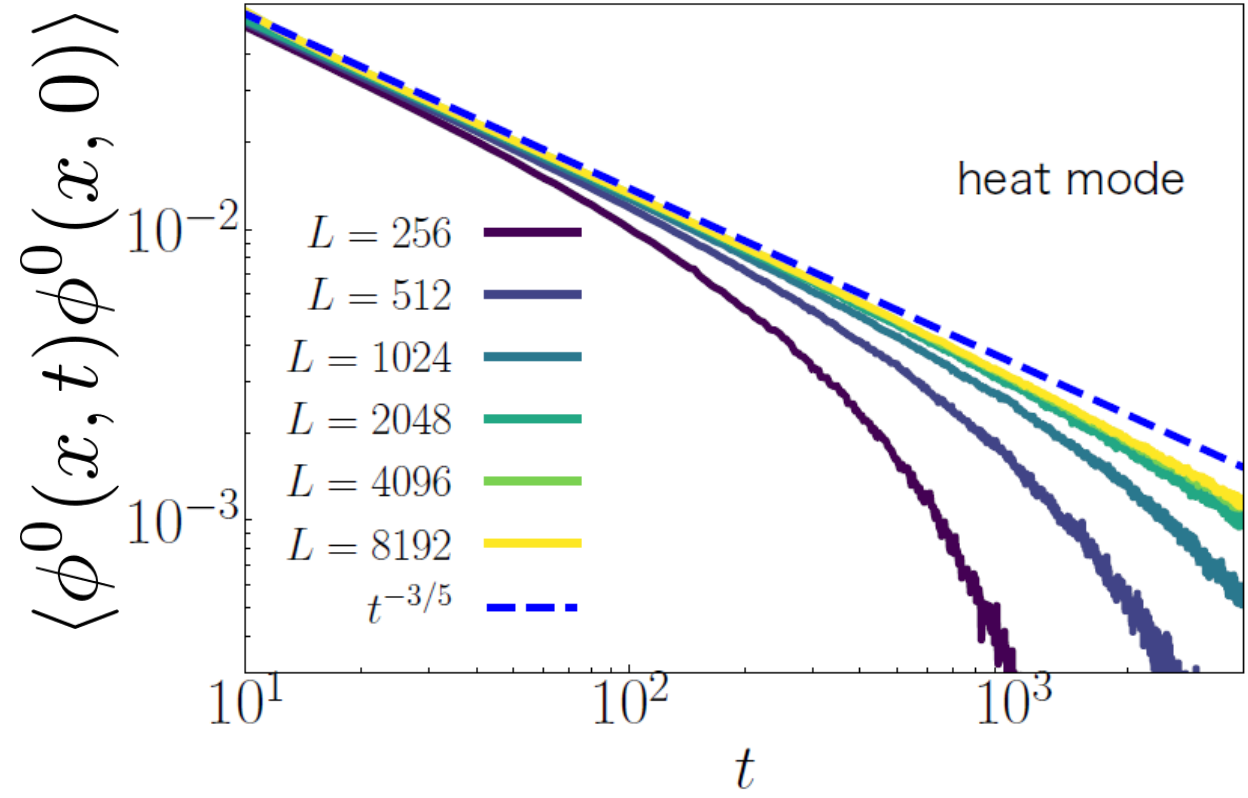
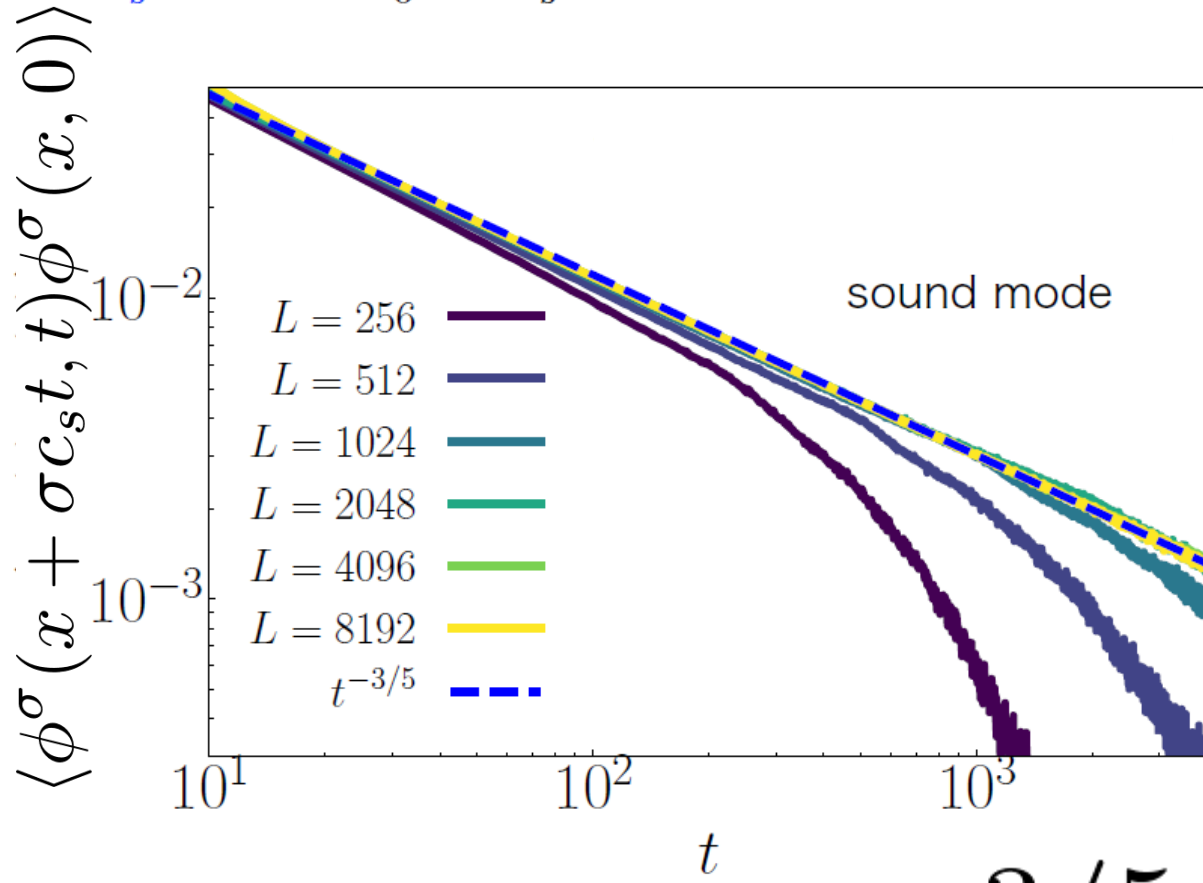
Spohn's argument fails

Scaling at zero sound velocity



Scaling at finite sound velocity

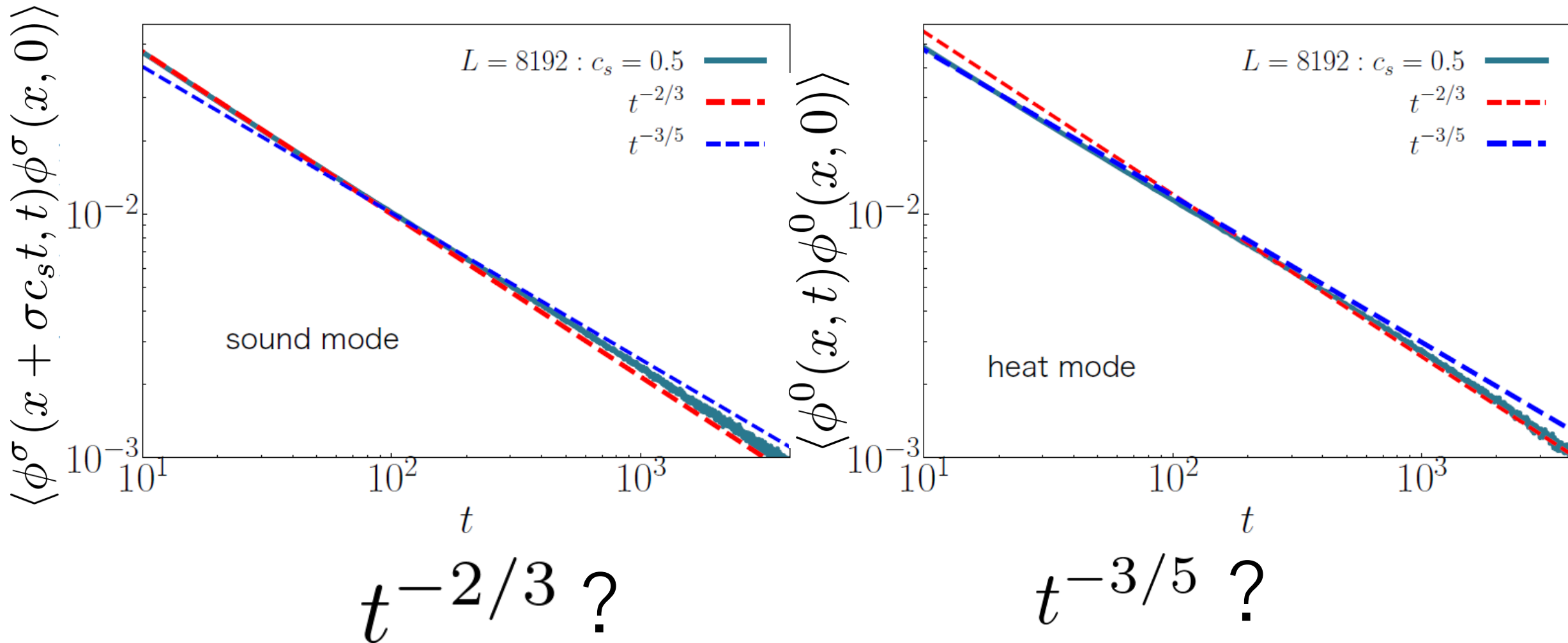
$c_s = 1.0$, $D_0 = D_s = 1.0$, $T = 1.0$, $dt = 0.004$



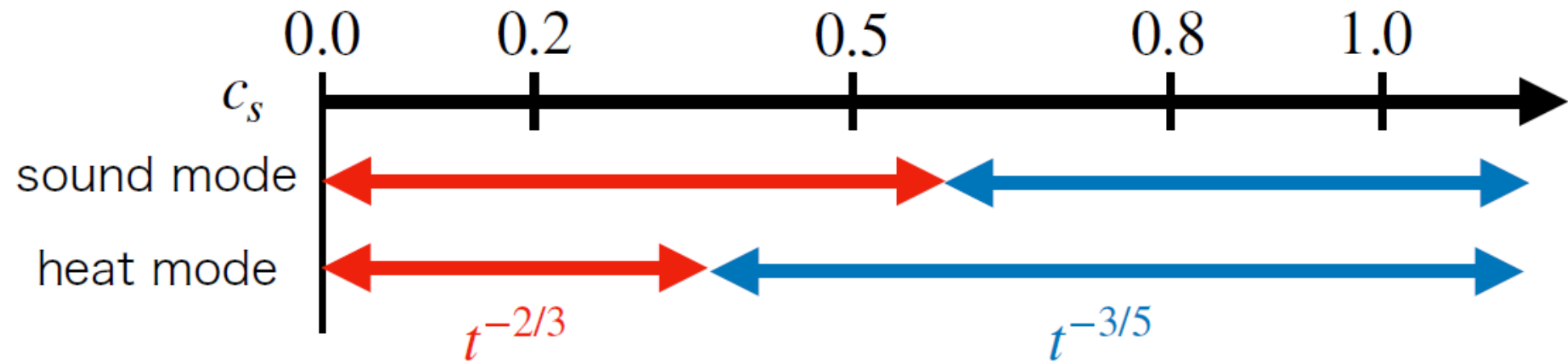
$t^{-3/5}$:consistent with MD

Scaling at intermediate sound velocity

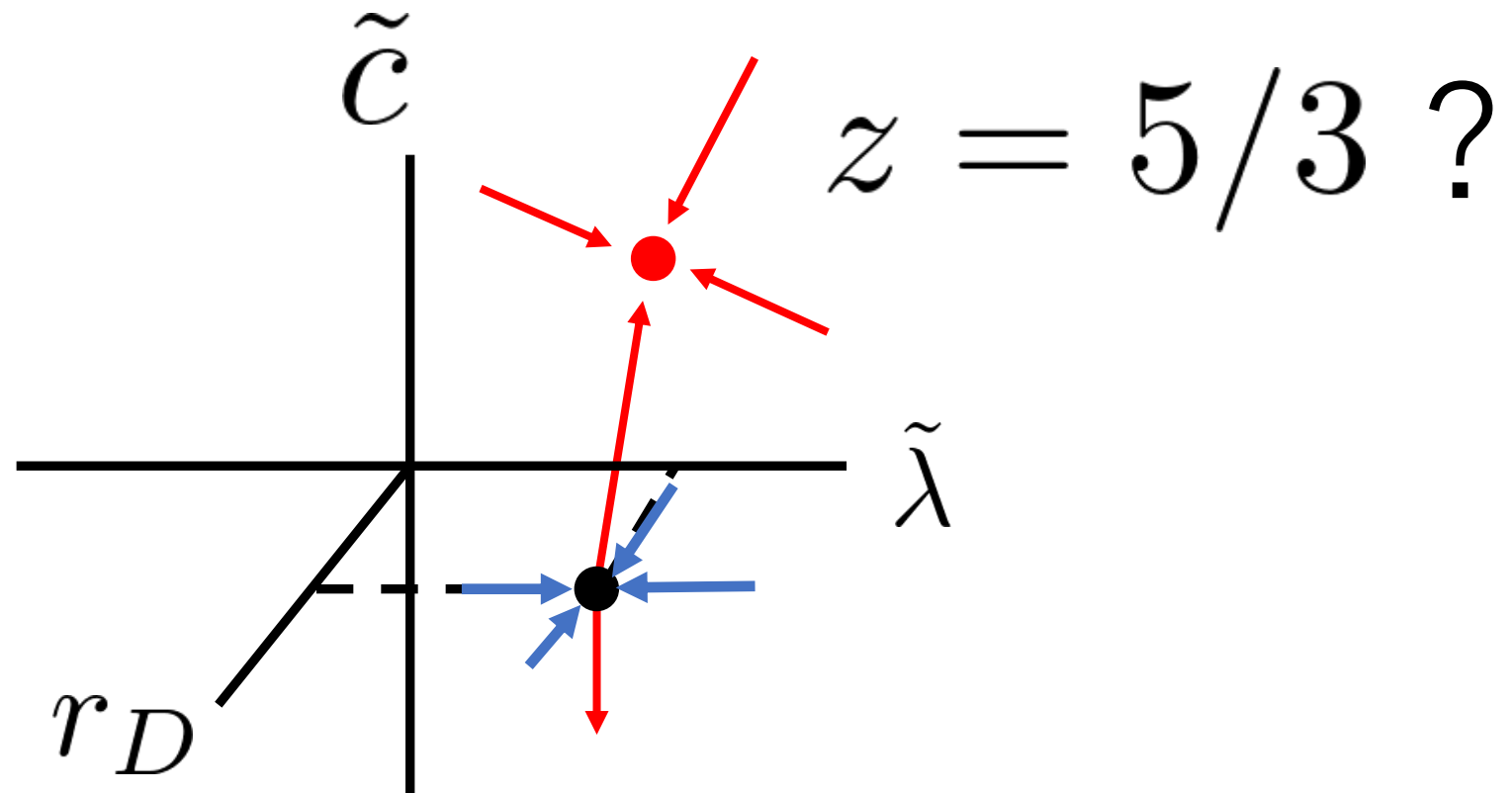
$$D_0 = D_s = 1.0, T = 1.0, dt = 0.004 \quad c_s = 0.5$$



Two scaling exponents



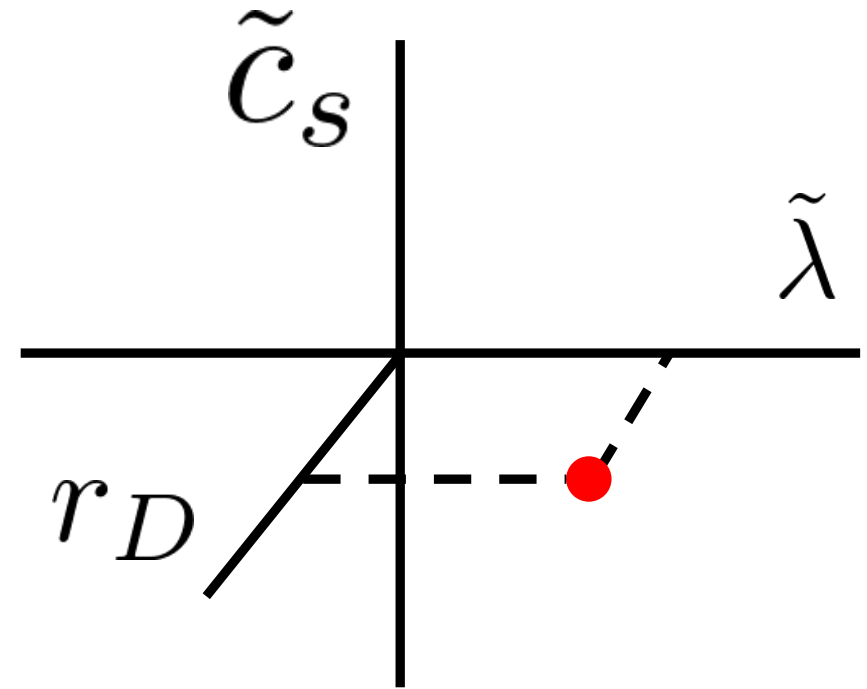
Missing another fixed point?



Summary

- Anharmonic chain with space reversal symmetry
- Wilson RG of FHD

$$\langle J_e(t) J_e \rangle \sim t^{-2/3}$$



- Numerical simulation

