

# Nonthermal fixed points and superfluid turbulence

Boris Nowak

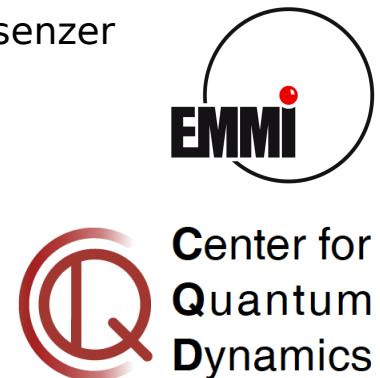


S. Erne, M. Karl, M. Schmidt, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer

Institut für Theoretische Physik  
Ruprecht-Karls Universität Heidelberg

Philosophenweg 16 • 69120 Heidelberg • Germany

email: [b.nowak@thphys.uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:b.nowak@thphys.uni-heidelberg.de)  
www: [www.thphys.uni-heidelberg.de/~gasenzer](http://www.thphys.uni-heidelberg.de/~gasenzer)



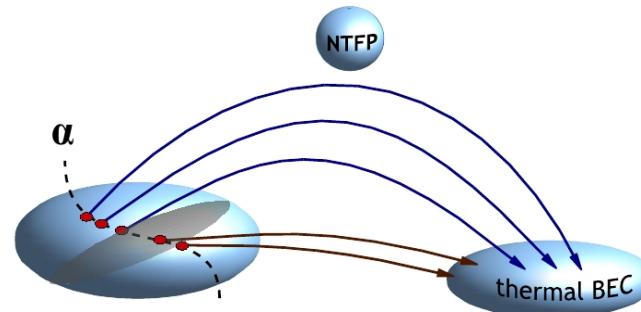
# Nonequilibrium Dynamics



Initial state:  
Far from equilibrium

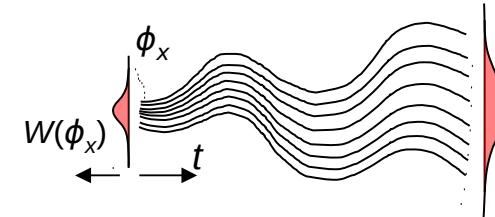
Transient state:  
e.g. Turbulence  
(Nonthermal fixed point)

Final state:  
Thermal equilibrium



# Semi-classical simulations

Classical field equation for  $\phi(x,t)$ :



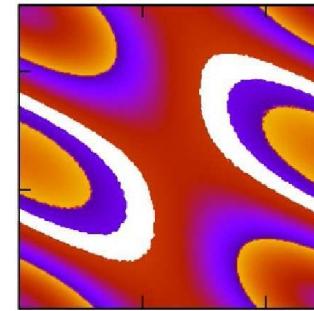
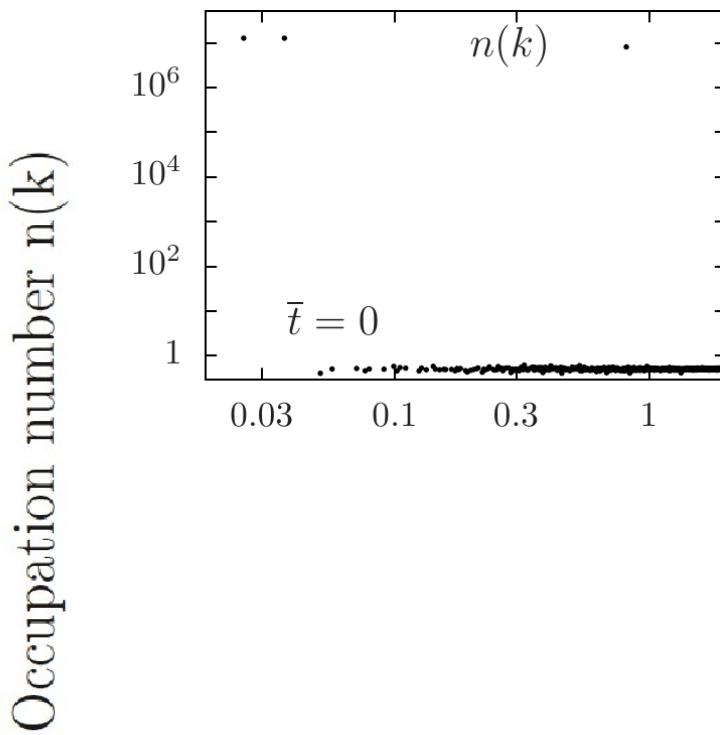
$$i\partial_t \phi(\mathbf{x}, t) = \left[ -\frac{\nabla^2}{2m} + g|\phi(\mathbf{x}, t)|^2 \right] \phi(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

Observables: e. g. Momentum distribution

$$n(k) = \int d^{d-1}\Omega_k \langle \phi^*(\mathbf{k})\phi(\mathbf{k}) \rangle_{\text{ensemble}}$$



# 2D: Quench dynamics

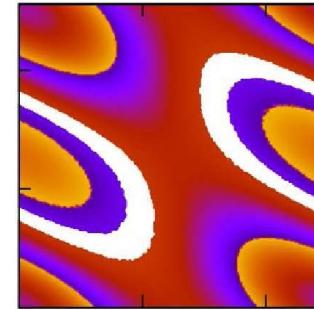
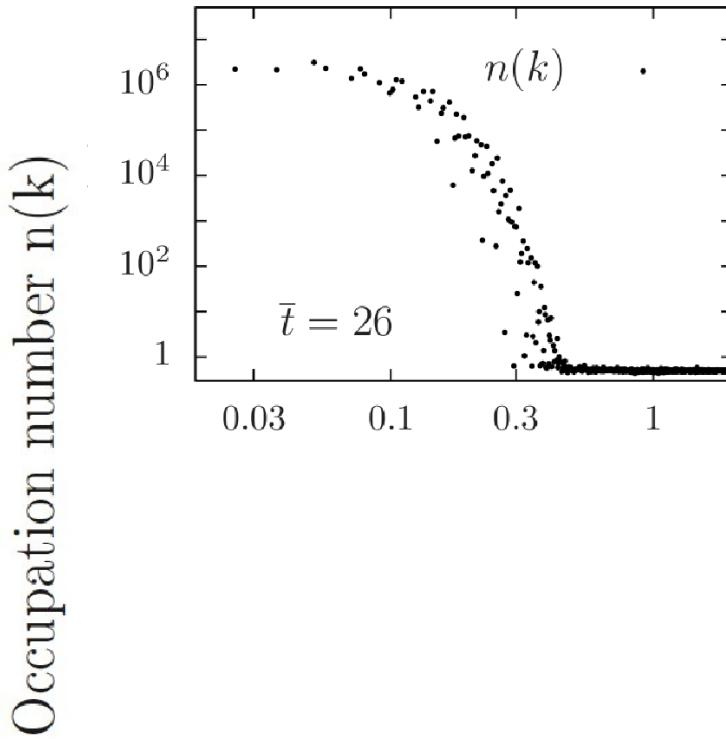


Radial momentum  $k$

BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB 84(R) (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA 85 (2012)



# 2D: Quench dynamics

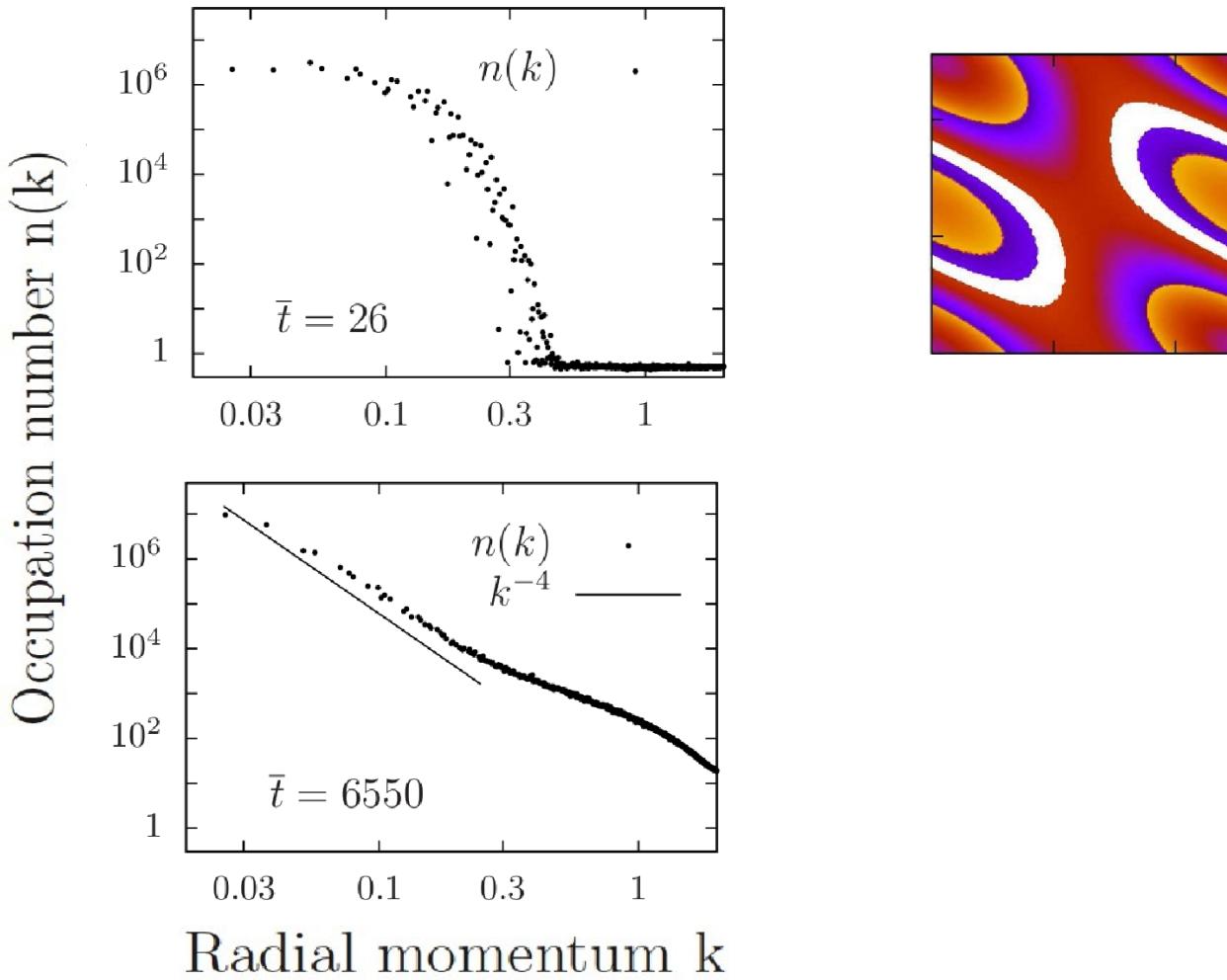


Radial momentum  $k$

BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB 84(R) (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA 85 (2012)



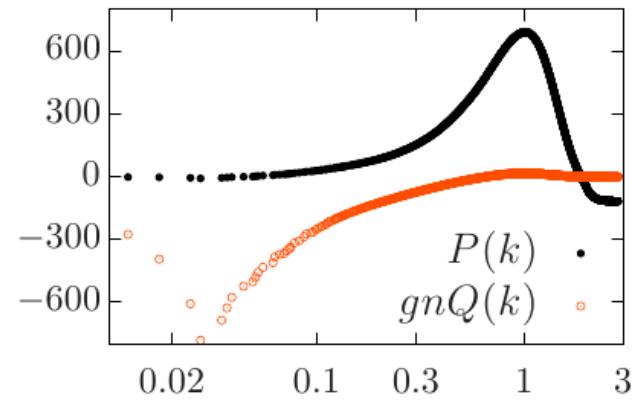
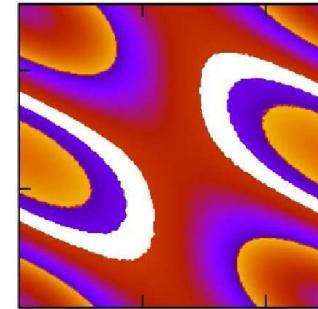
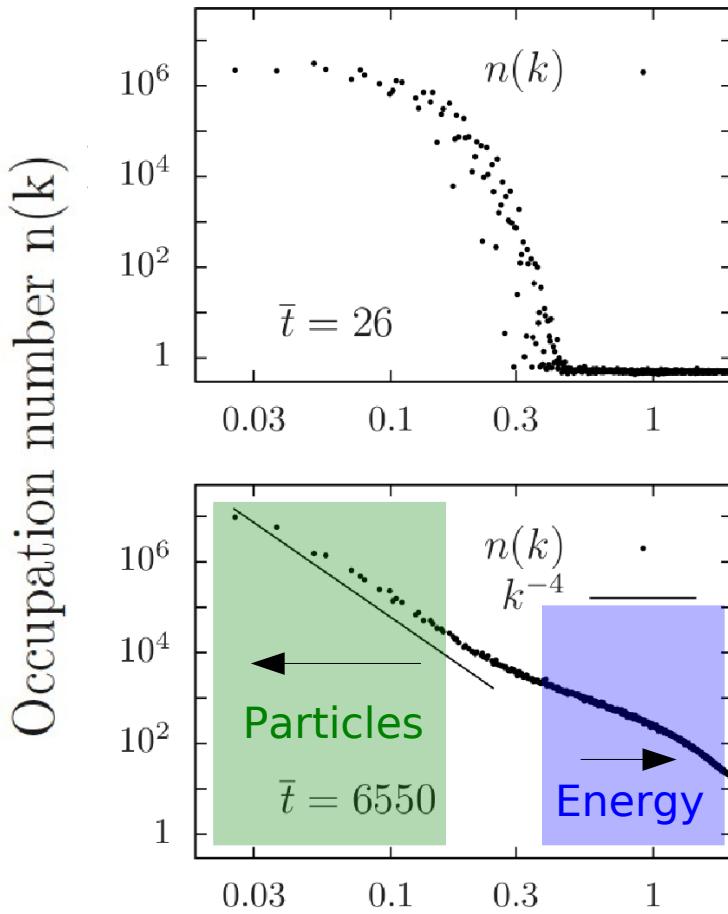
# 2D: Quench dynamics



BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB 84(R) (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA 85 (2012)



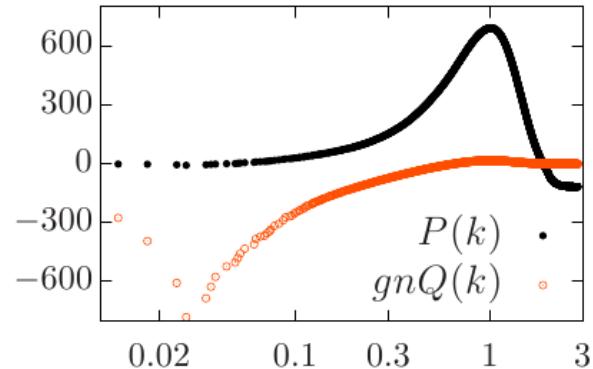
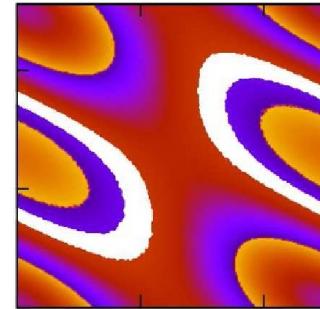
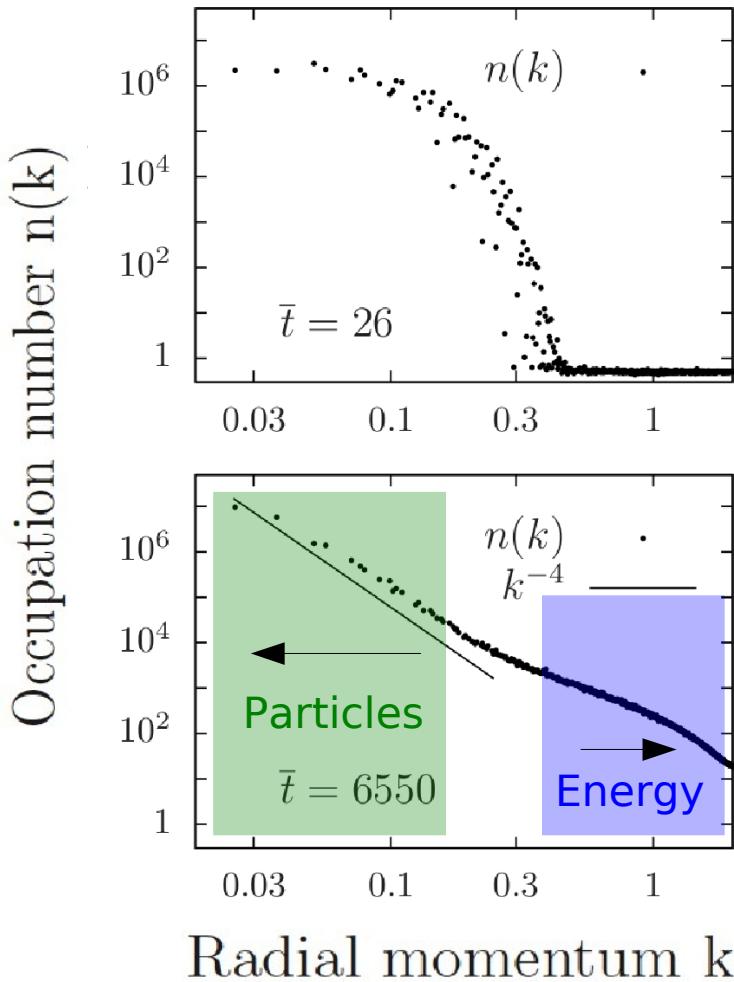
# 2D: Quench dynamics



BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB 84(R) (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA 85 (2012)



# 2D: Quench dynamics



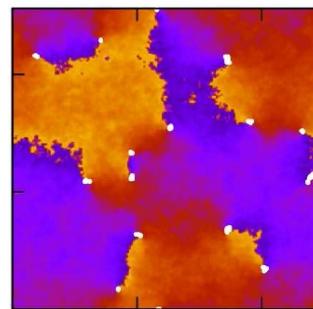
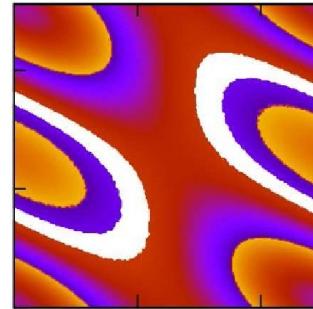
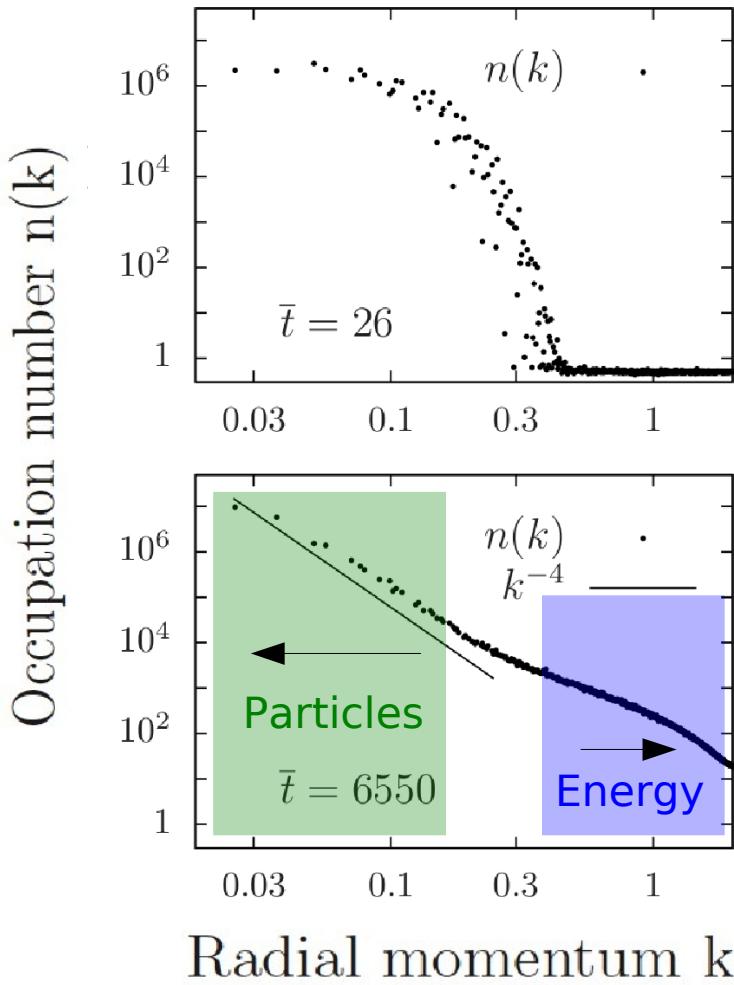
$$\langle \bullet \rangle \rightarrow \langle \bullet \rangle = \langle \cdots \rangle + \langle \bullet \circ \rangle$$

J. Berges, A. Rothkopf, J. Schmidt PRL (2008)  
 C. Scheppach, J. Berges, T. Gasenzer, PRA (2010)

BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB 84(R) (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA 85 (2012)



# 2D: Quench dynamics

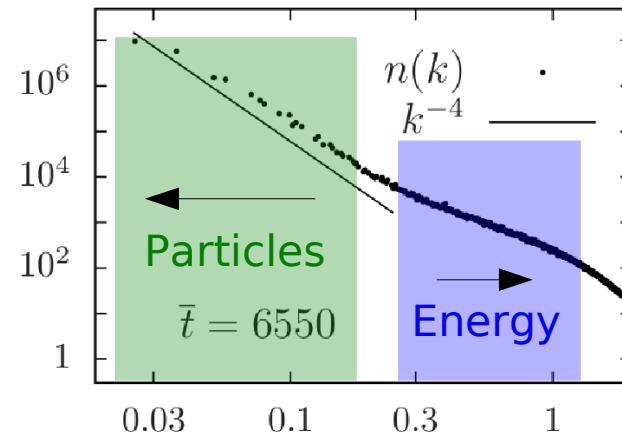


$$n_k \sim k^{-4}$$
$$\Downarrow$$
$$E_k \sim k^{-1}$$

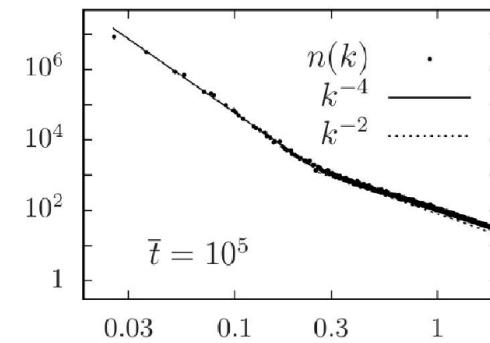
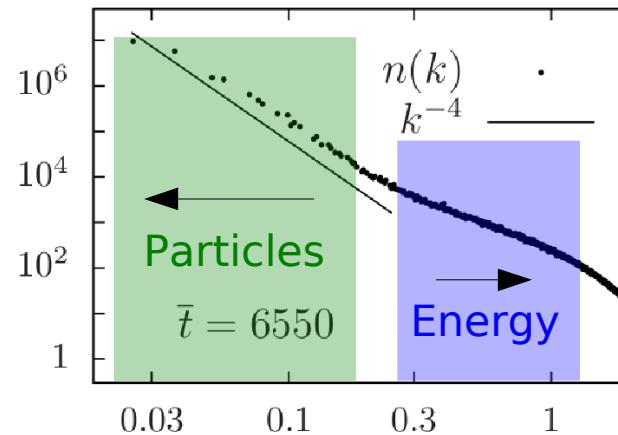
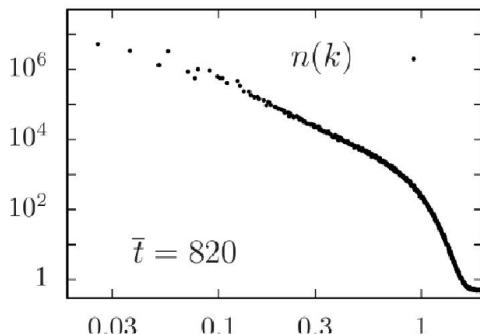
BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB 84(R) (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA 85 (2012)



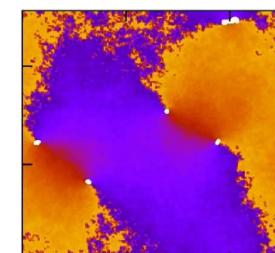
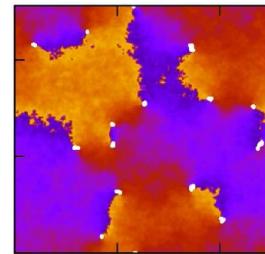
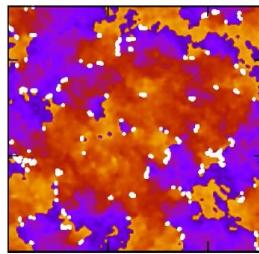
# 2D: Phase ordering dynamics



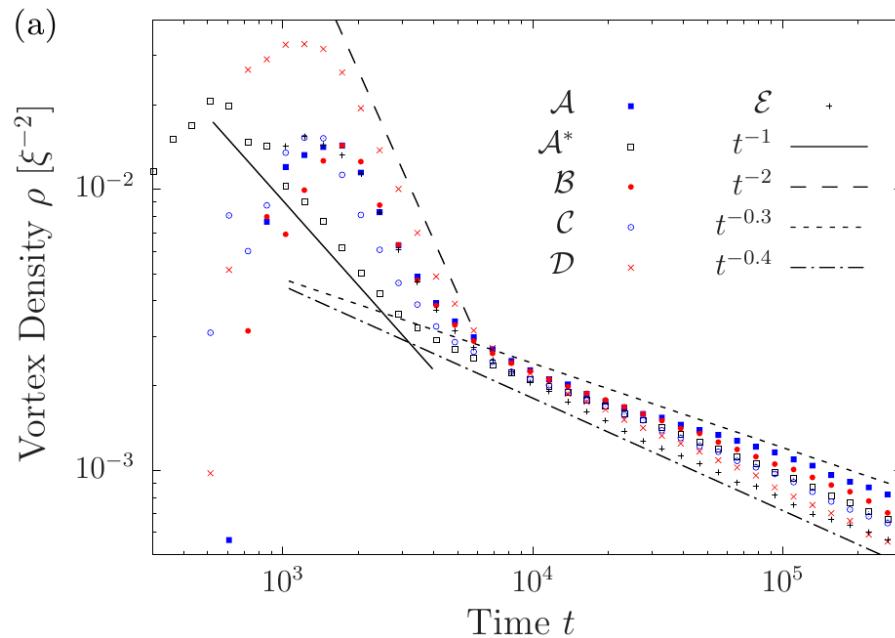
# 2D: Phase ordering dynamics



Time



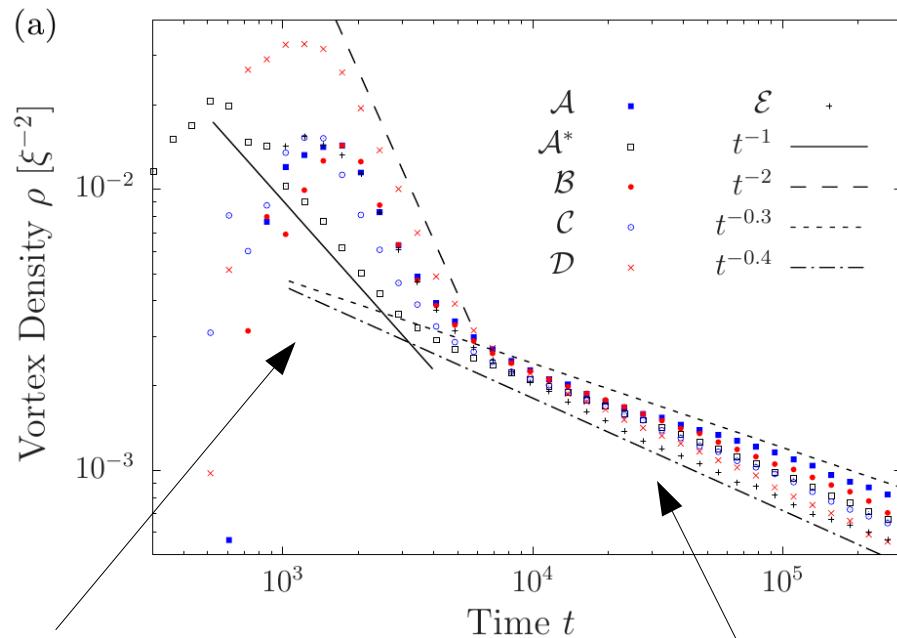
# 2D: Phase ordering dynamics



J. Schole, BN, T. Gasenzer, arXiv:1204.2487



# 2D: Phase ordering dynamics

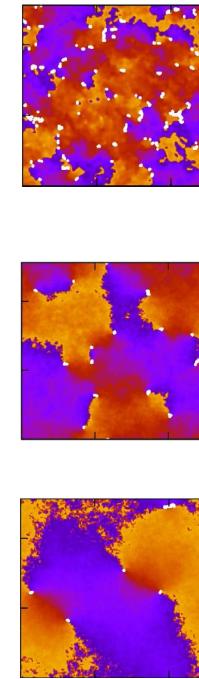
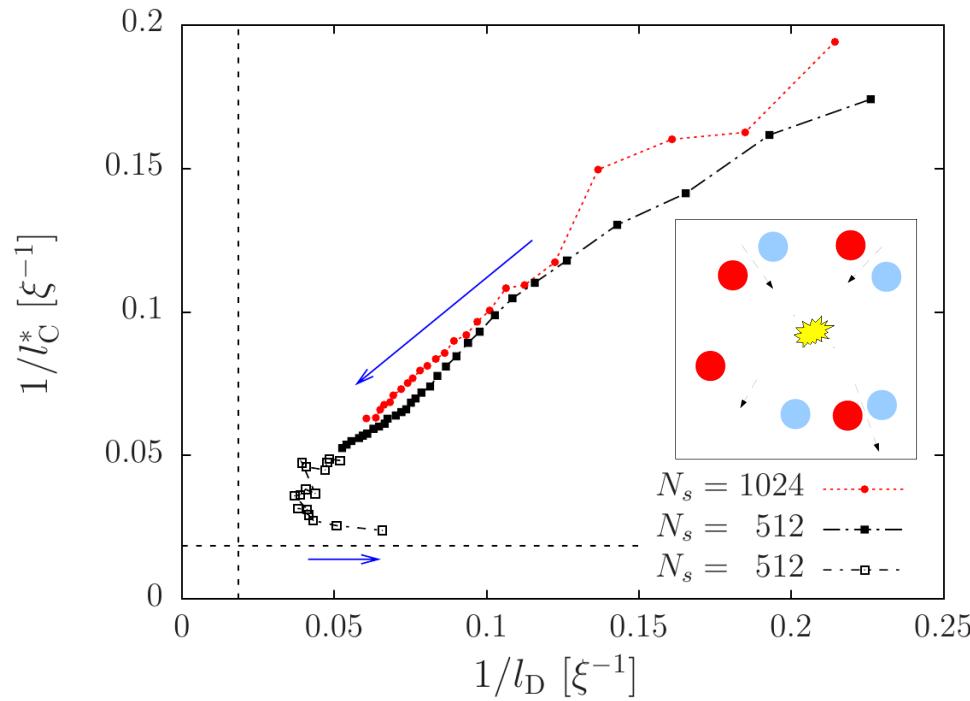


Non-universal decay law  
(Initial vortex distribution dependent)  
Kinetic gas theory for dipoles

Universal decay regime  
Strongly correlated, dilute vortex gas  
Scaling  $n(k) \sim k^{-4}$



# Correlations near the NTFP

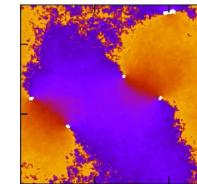
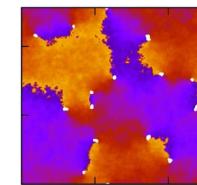
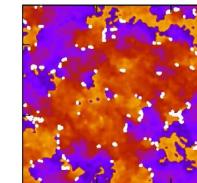
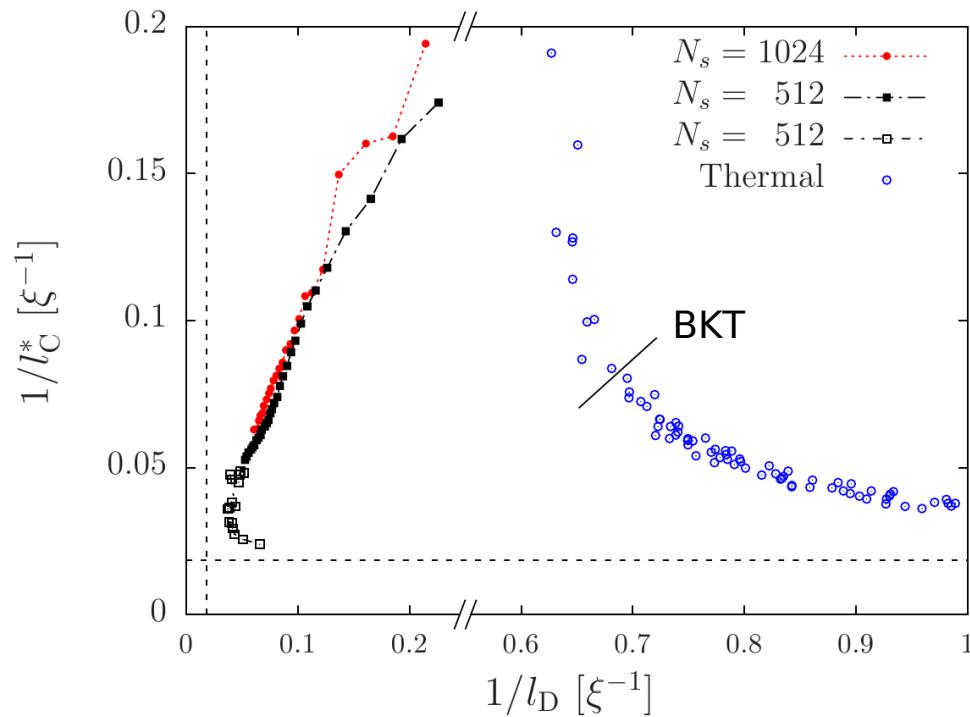


$l_C^*$  Phase coherence length  
 $l_D^*$  Vortex-antivortex pair distance

J. Schole, BN, T. Gasenzer, arXiv:1204.2487



# Correlations near the NTFP

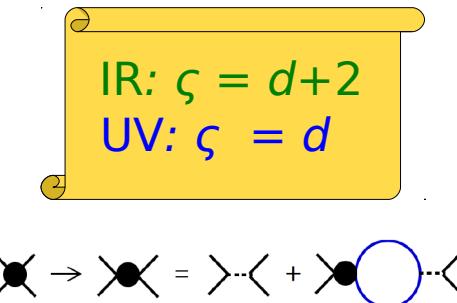
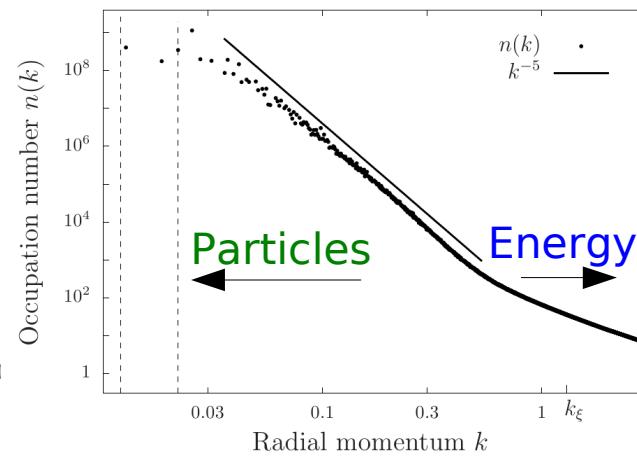
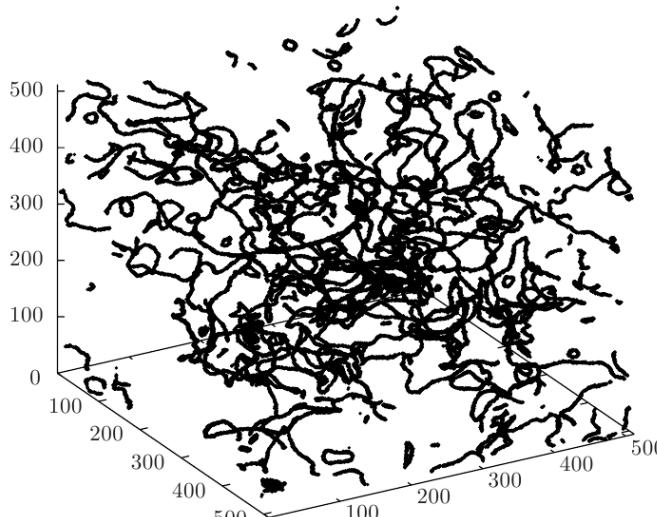


$l_c^*$  Phase coherence length  
 $l_d$  Vortex-antivortex pair distance

J. Schole, BN, T. Gasenzer, arXiv:1204.2487



# 3D Nonthermal fixed point



Berges, Rothkopf, Schmidt PRL (2008)  
Scheppach, Berges, Gasenzer PRA (2010)

Vortices



Spectrum  $n(k)$

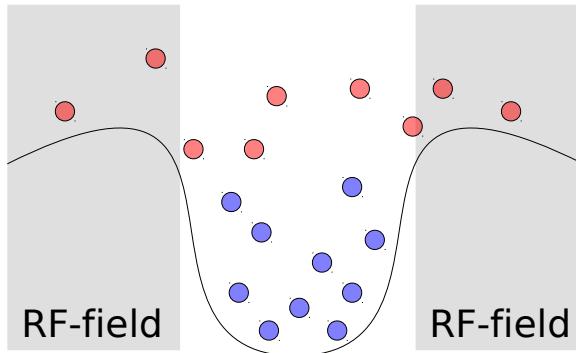
QFT

Condensation dynamics: Kagan, Svistunov, Shlyapnikov ('90s),  
Semikoz, Tkachev (1995), Berloff (2002), Anderson, Davis (2008),  
Blaizot, McLellan(2012), Berges, Sexty (2012)

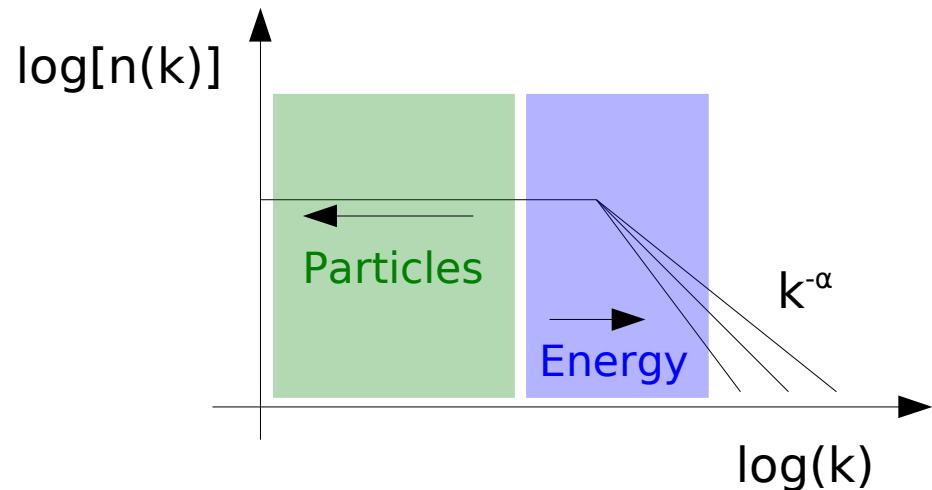
BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRB (2011), BN, J. Schole, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer PRA (2012)



# 3D: Bose condensation



Evaporative cooling

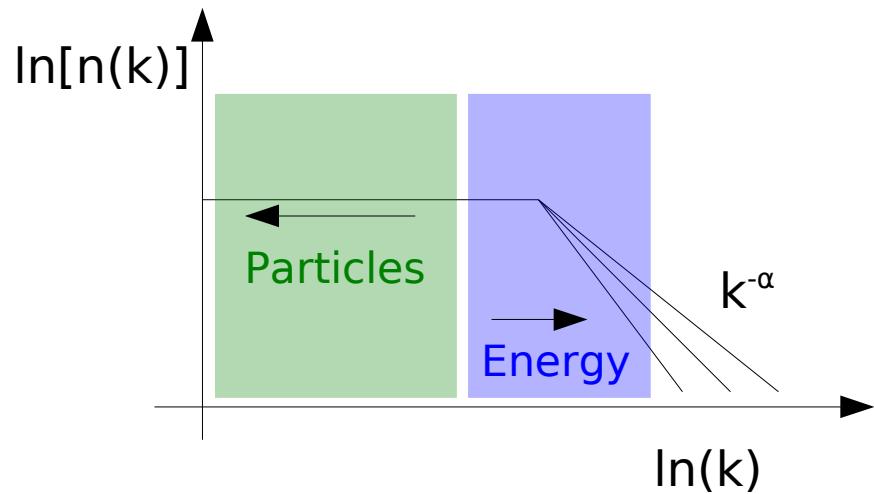
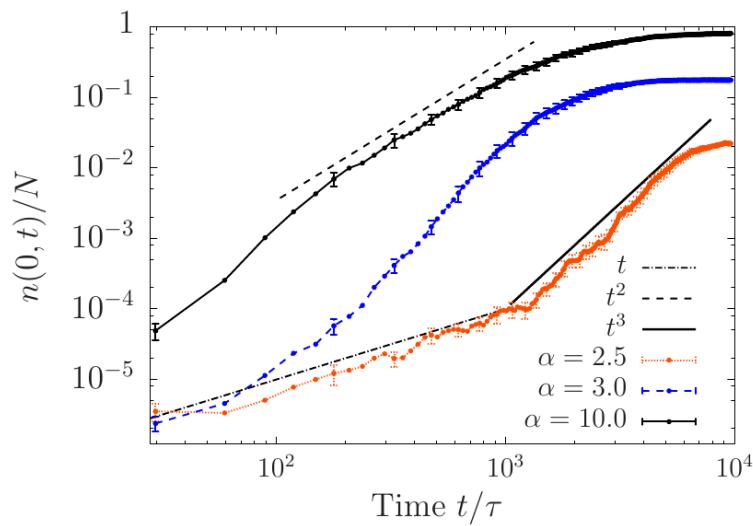


Experiments: Hänsch, Esslinger (2002),  
Esslinger (2007), Hadzibabic (2012)

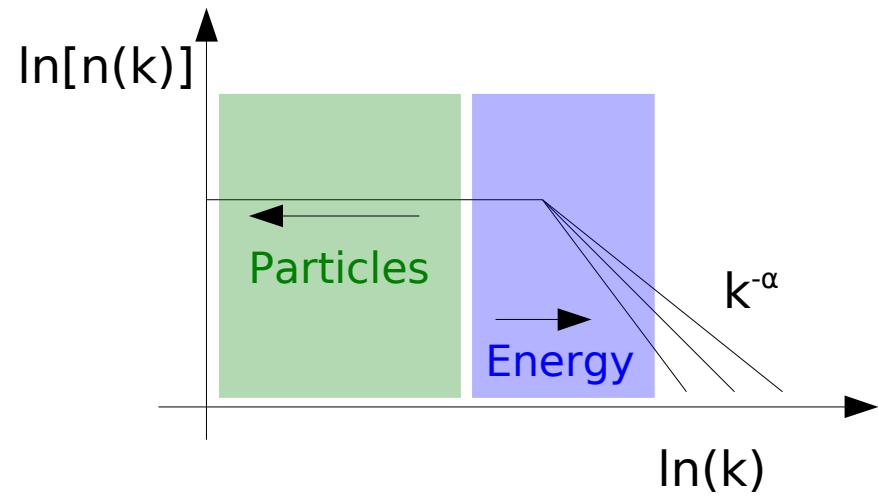
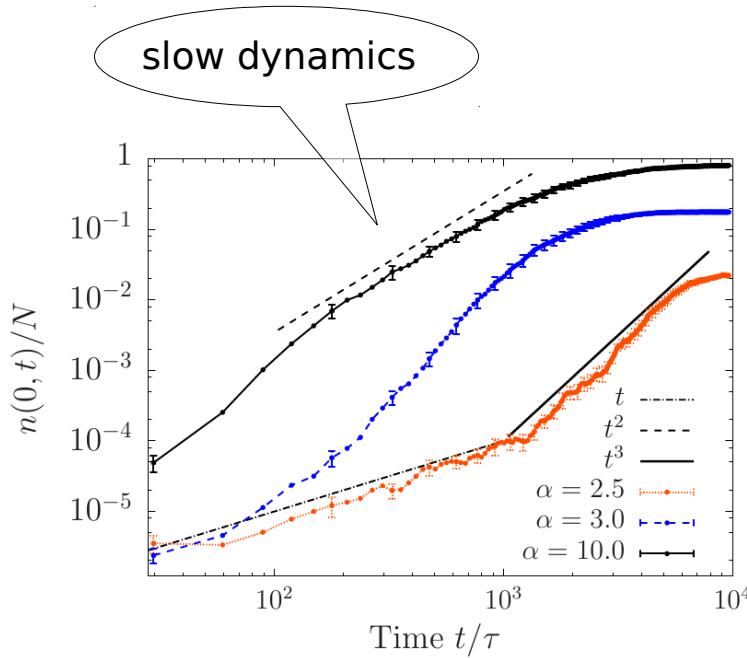
Condensation dynamics: Kagan, Svistunov, Shlyapnikov ('90s),  
Semikoz, Tkachev (1995), Berloff (2002), Anderson, Davis (2008),  
Blaizot, McLellan(2012), Berges, Sexty (2012)



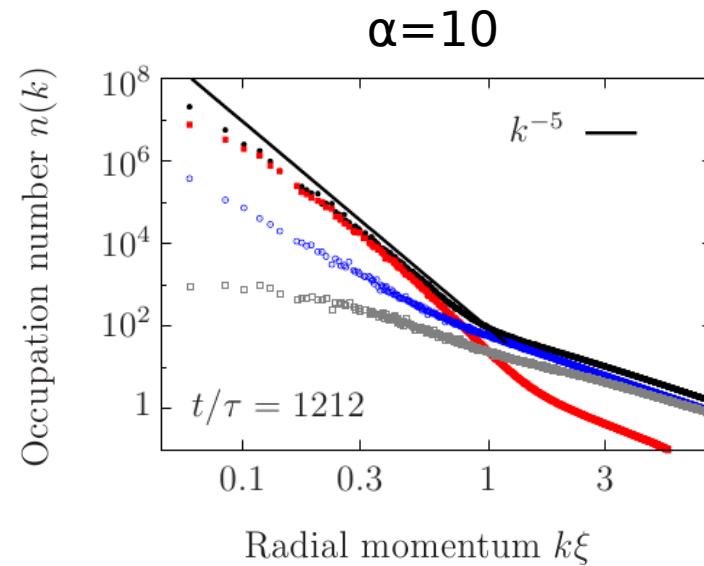
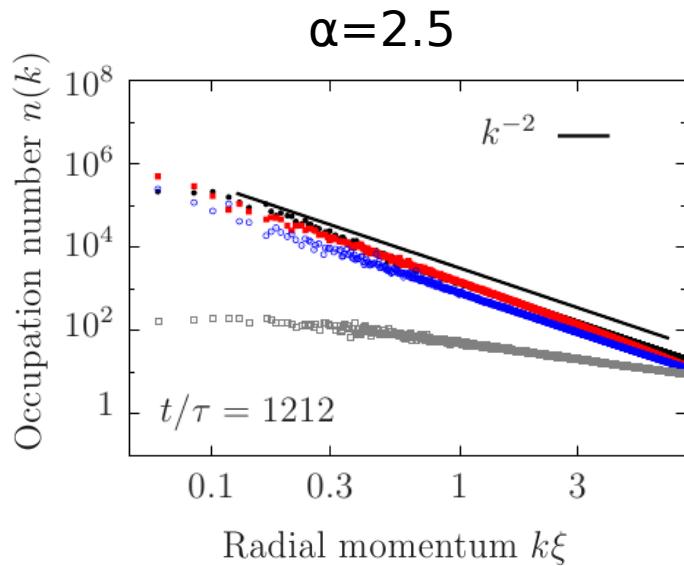
# 3D: Bose condensation



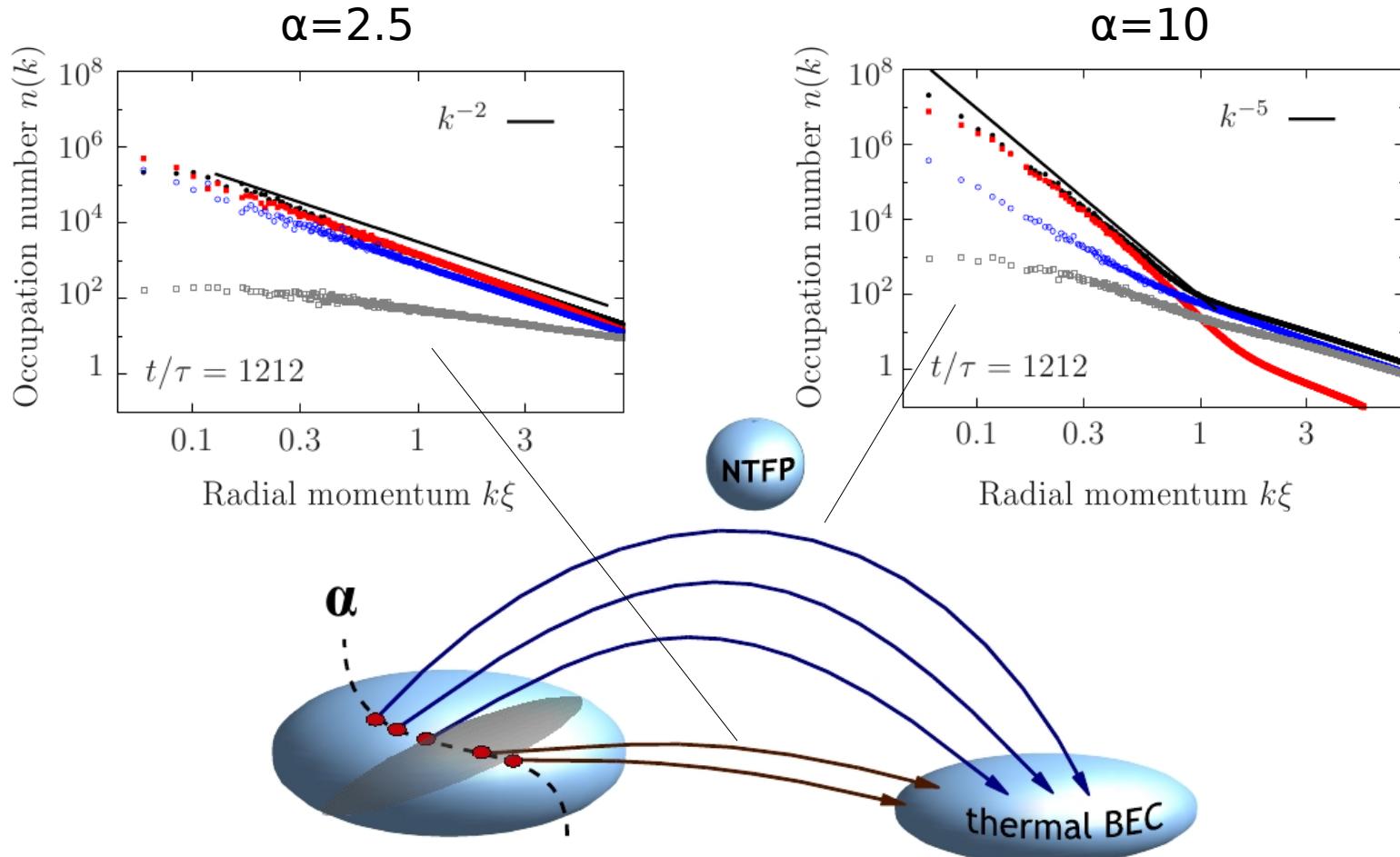
# 3D: Bose condensation



# 3D: Bose condensation



# 3D: Bose condensation

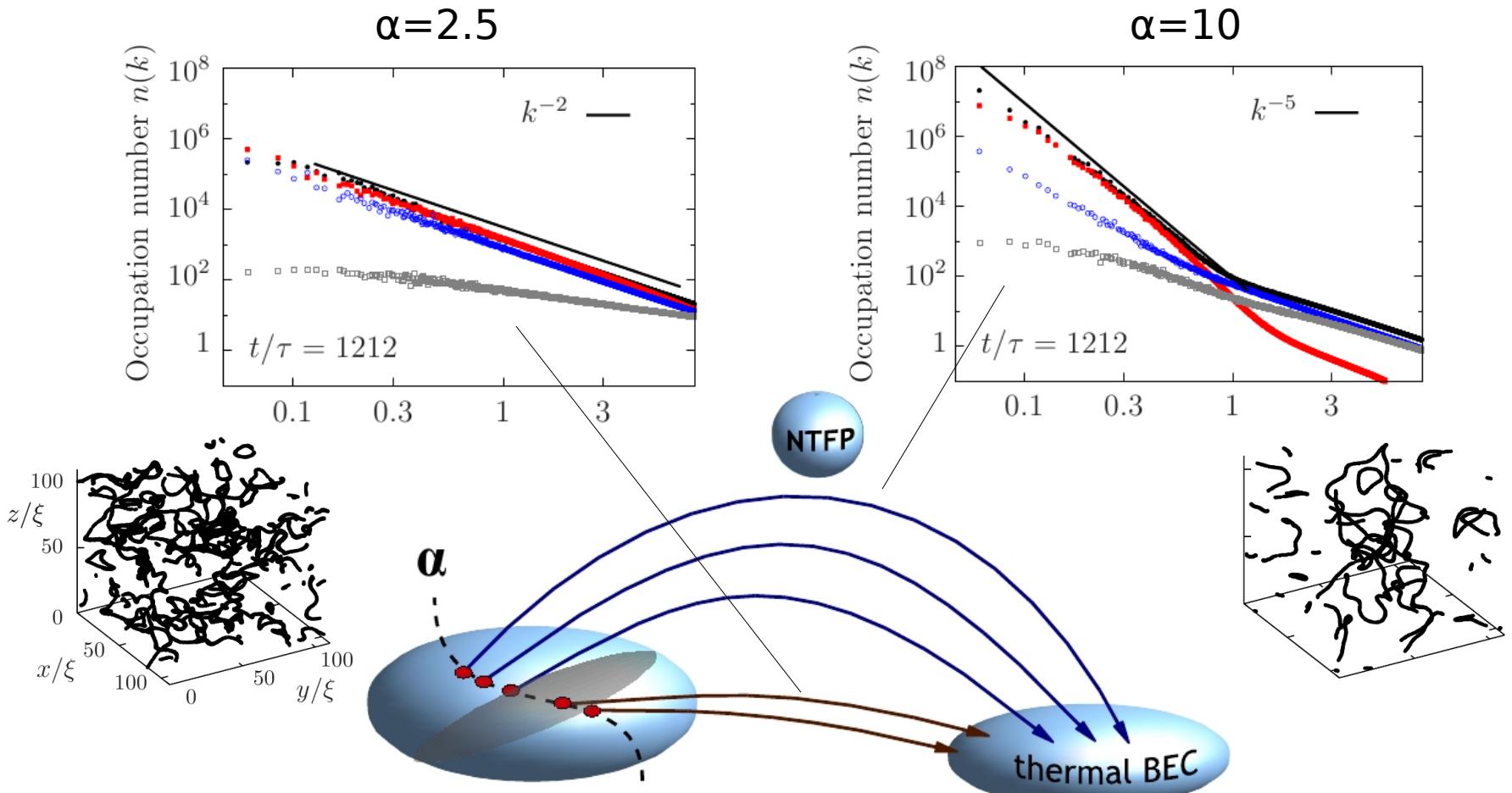


BN., T. Gasenzer arxiv: 1206.3181

Boris Nowak, RETUNE 2012



# 3D: Bose condensation



BN., T. Gasenzer arxiv: 1206.3181

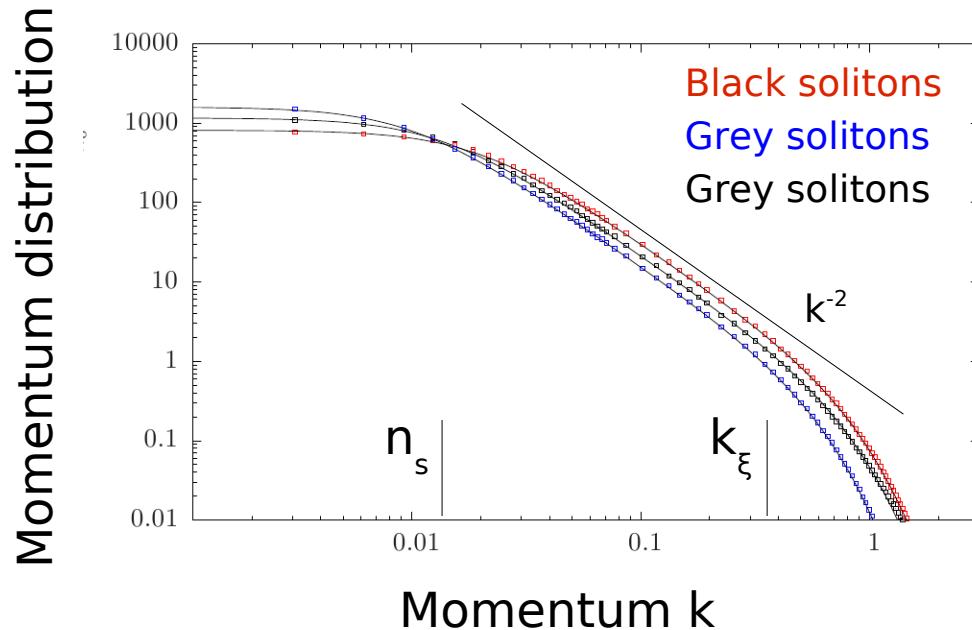
Boris Nowak, RETUNE 2012



# 1D: Momentum distribution

- Random soliton model for black/grey solitons (in a trap):

e. g.  $n(k)|_{\nu=0} = \frac{4n_s n}{4n_s^2 + k^2} \frac{(\pi k \xi)^2 / 2}{\sinh^2(\pi k \xi / \sqrt{2})}$  (Black Solitons)

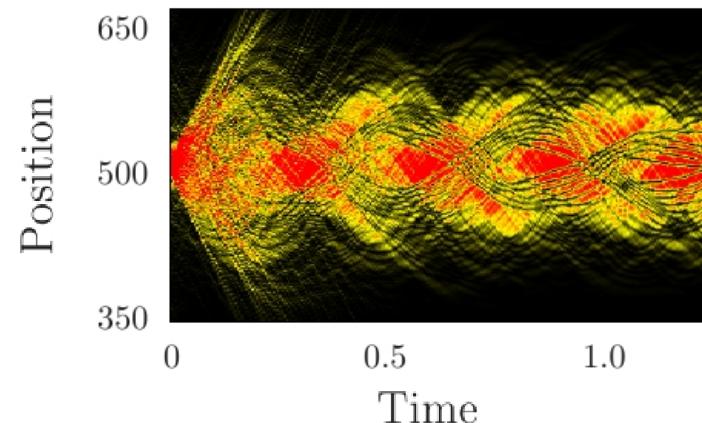
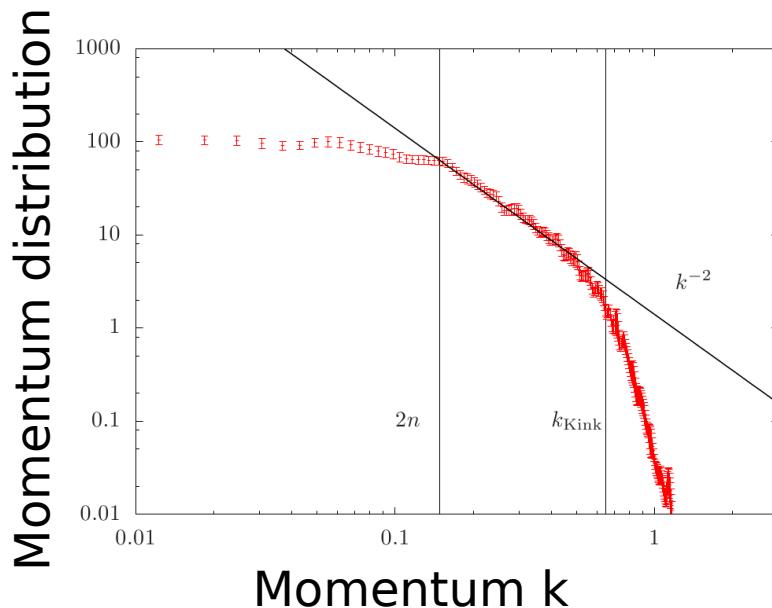


M. Schmidt, S. Erne, BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer NJP (2012), to appear



# 1D: Quench dynamics

- Features:
- Quasi-stationary profile
  - Scaling



M. Schmidt, S. Erne, BN, D. Sexty, T. Gasenzer NJP (2012), to appear

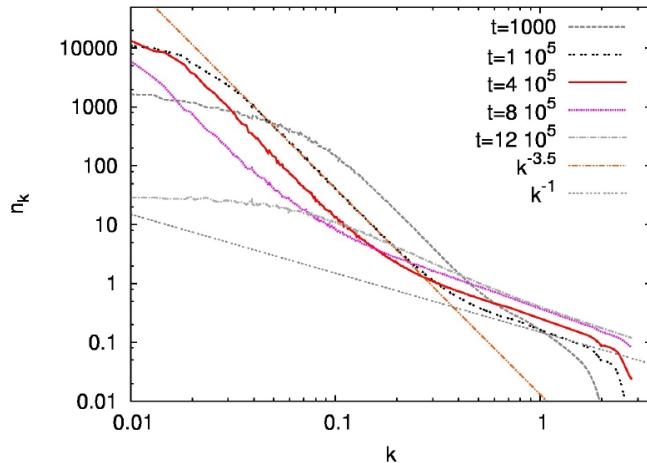


# Relativistic simulations

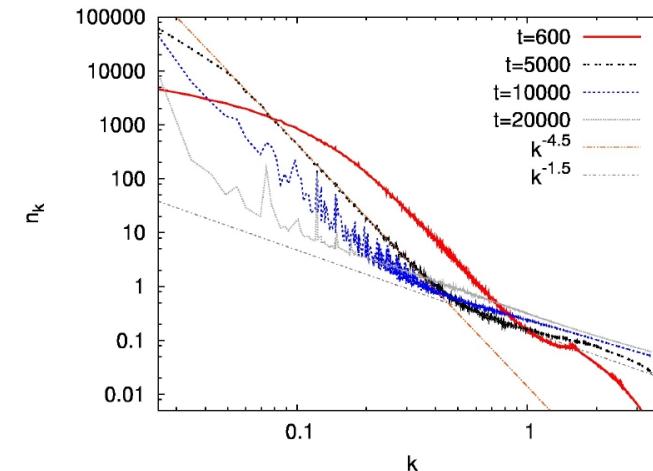
Classical field equation:

$$[\partial_t^2 - \Delta + \Phi^2] \Phi_a = 0$$

$d=2$



$d=3$



T. Gasenzer, BN, D. Sexty PL (2012)

S. Khlebnikov, I. Tkachev PRL (1996)  
J. Berges, A. Rothkopf, J. Schmidt PRL(2008)  
J. Berges, D. Sexty PRD (2011)

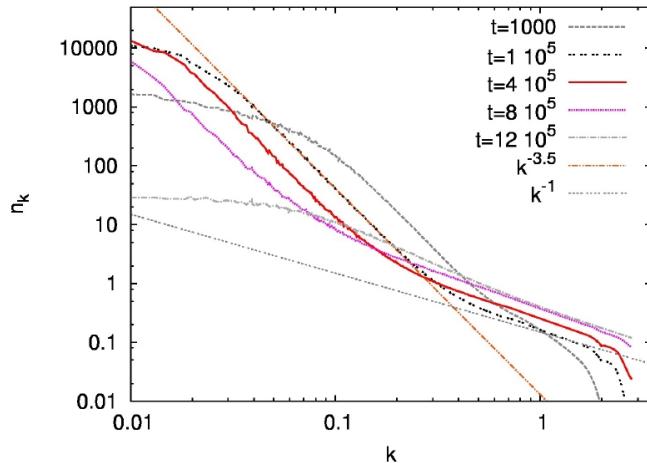


# Relativistic simulations

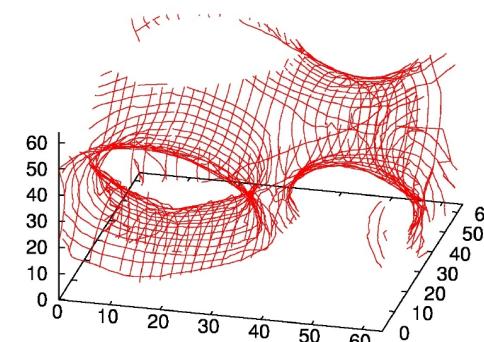
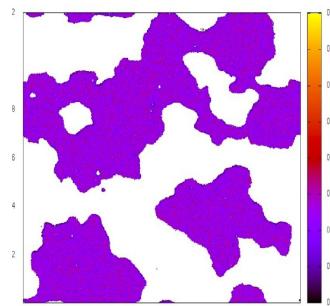
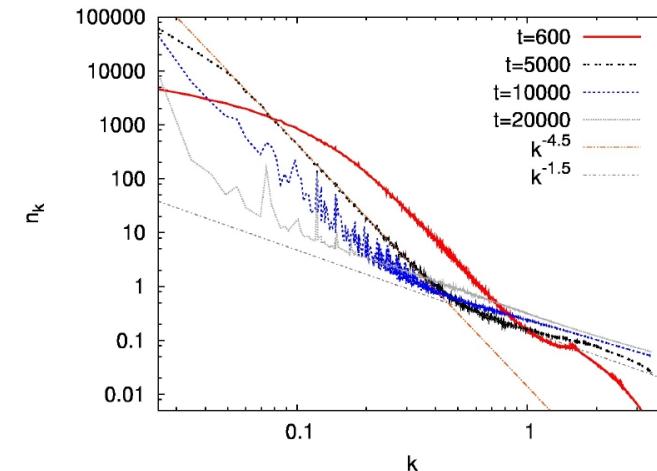
Classical field equation:

$$[\partial_t^2 - \Delta + \Phi^2] \Phi_a = 0$$

$d=2$



$d=3$



T. Gasenzer, BN, D. Sexty PL (2012)

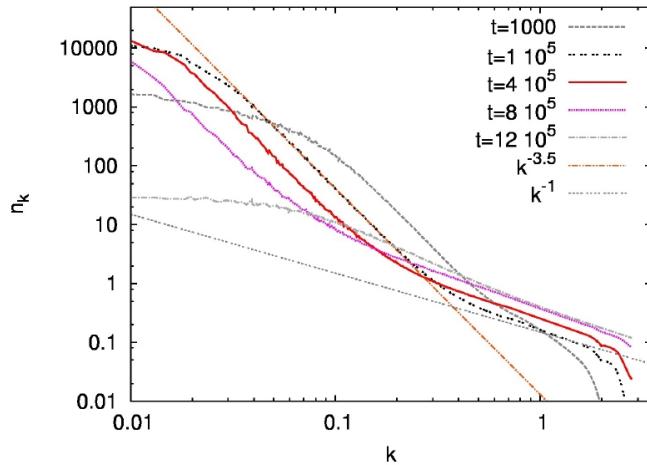


# Relativistic simulations

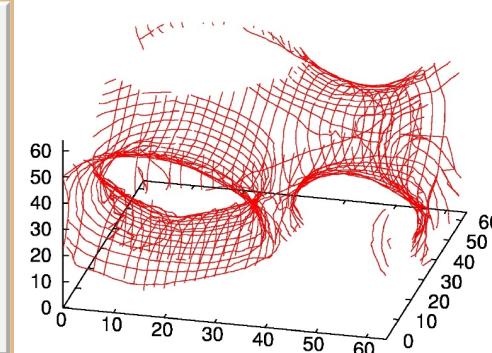
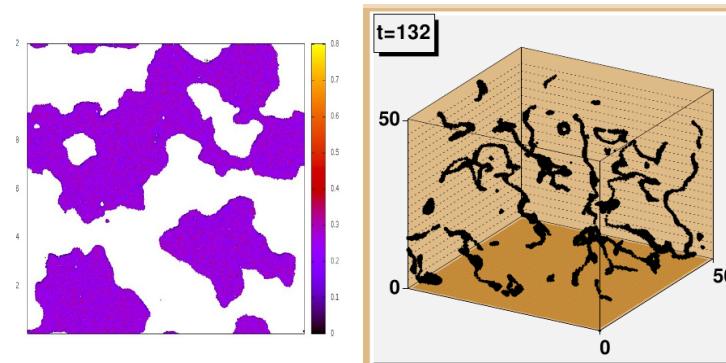
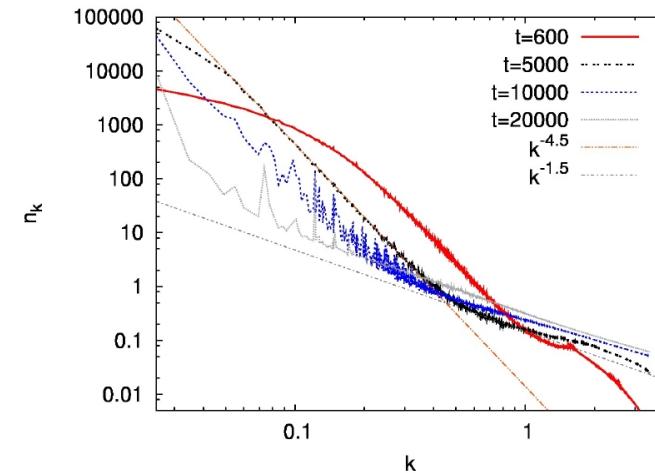
Classical field equation:

$$[\partial_t^2 - \Delta + \Phi^2] \Phi_a = 0$$

$d=2$



$d=3$

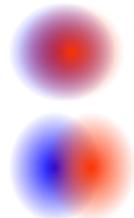


T. Gasenzer, BN, D. Sexty PL (2012) I. Tkachev, S. Khlebnikov, L. Kofman, A. Linde PL (1998)

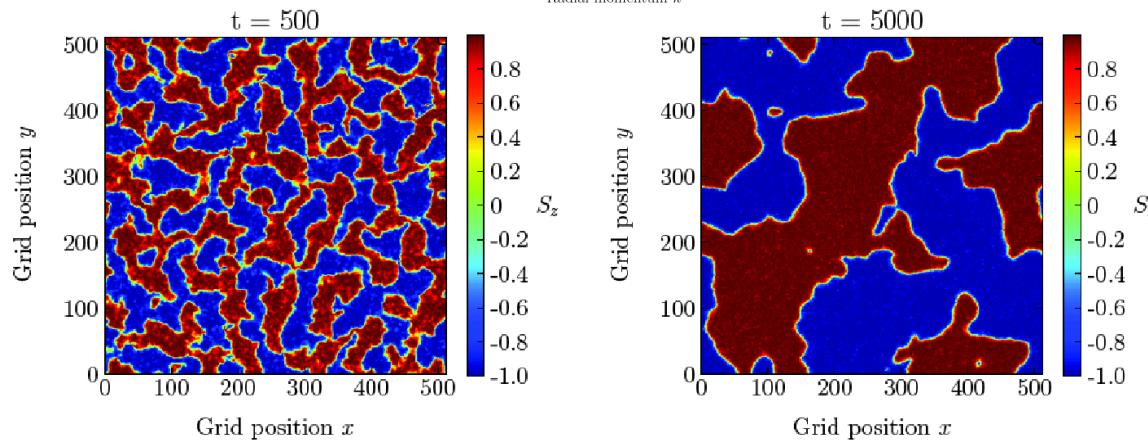
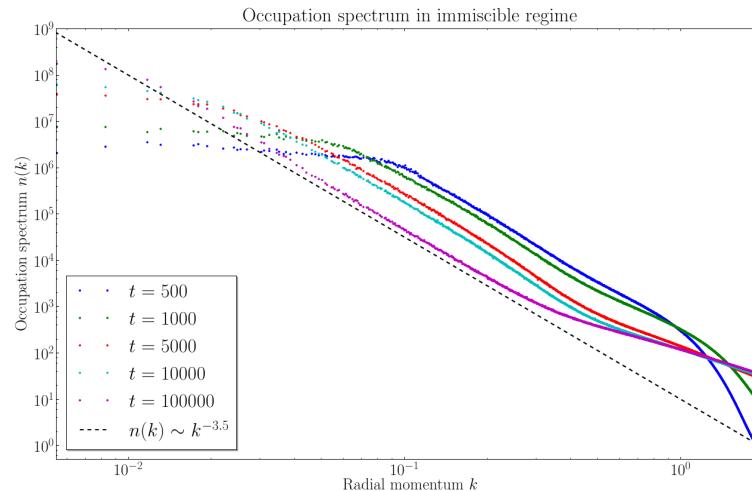


# 2-component BEC

miscible  
 $g_{12} < g$



immiscible  
 $g_{12} > g$

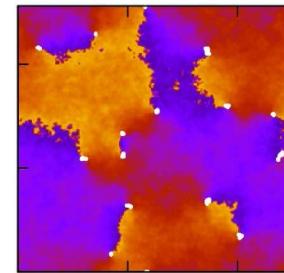
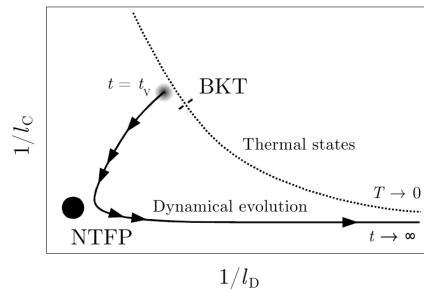


# Summary

Nonthermal fixed points (NTFP)

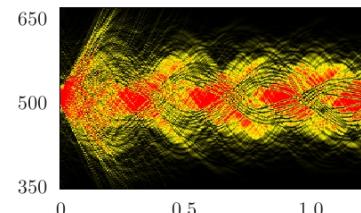
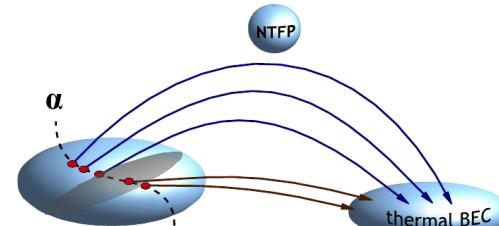


Superfluid turbulence in 2D

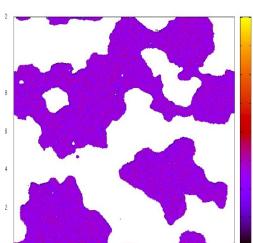


Dynamics near the NTFP in 2D

Dynamic Bose condensation in 3D



Solitonic state as a NTFP



Charge Separation/Domain Walls

