

# Phase transitions of the focusing $\Phi_1^p$ measures

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# Mass (sub-)critical focusing NLS

Consider the *focusing* Schrödinger equation

$$(NLS) \quad \begin{cases} iu_t - \partial_x^2 u - \sigma^2 |u|^{p-2} u = 0 \\ u(0) = u_0, \end{cases}$$

posed on  $\mathbb{T}$ .

We have the following conserved quantities:

$$M(u) = \int |u|^2 dx,$$

$$E(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int |\partial_x u|^2 - \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u|^p dx.$$

$M(u)$  is **coercive**, while  $E(u)$  is **not coercive**.

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$$\int |u|^p \lesssim \underbrace{M(u)^{\frac{p+2}{4}}}_{\text{conserved}} \left( \int |\partial_x u|^2 \right)^{\frac{p-2}{4}} \stackrel{<1}{\rightsquigarrow} E(u) \mathbb{1}_{M \leq K} \text{ coercive.}$$

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$$\frac{\sigma^2}{6} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u|^6 \leq \overbrace{C \sigma^2 M(u)^2}^{<\frac{1}{2} ?} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\partial_x u|^2 \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow K_0 \text{ s.t. } C^2 K_0^2 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

# Focusing $\Phi_1^p$ measure

We want to build the gran-canonical ensemble for the focusing NLS,

$$\rho_{\sigma,p} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \underbrace{\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u|^p}_{\text{normalisation constant}} - \frac{1}{2} \int |\partial_x u|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \int |u|^2 \right) du}_{\text{density Gaussian}}$$

Focusing sign  $\Rightarrow$  not definable. In dimension 1:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \exp \left( + \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |g|^p - C \int |g|^2 \right) dg = \infty.$$

Lebowitz-Rose-Speer '88:

$M(u)$  is conserved  $\leadsto$  we can introduce a mass cutoff  $\mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq K\}}$ .

# Focusing $\Phi_1^p$ measure

We want to build the “generalised grand-canonical Gibbs measure”

$$\rho_{\sigma,p,K} = \text{“} \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left( \underbrace{\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u|^p}_{\text{density}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int |\partial_x u|^2}_{\text{Gaussian}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int |u|^2}_{\text{cutoff}} \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq K\}} du \text{”}.$$

Rigorously, we fix the Gaussian measure  $\mu$  with inverse covariance  $1 - \partial_x^2$ , and define

$$\rho_{\sigma,p,K} = \frac{1}{Z(\sigma, p, K)} \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u|^p \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq K\}} d\mu(u).$$

$$\rho_{\sigma,p,K} \text{ definable} \longleftrightarrow Z(\sigma, p, K) < \infty.$$

Invariant measures  $\leftrightarrow$  global well posedness, so we expect  $Z < \infty \Leftrightarrow K < K_0$ .

# Existence and non existence of the $\Phi_1^p$ measure

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Then,  $Z(\sigma, p, K) < \infty$  in the following cases:

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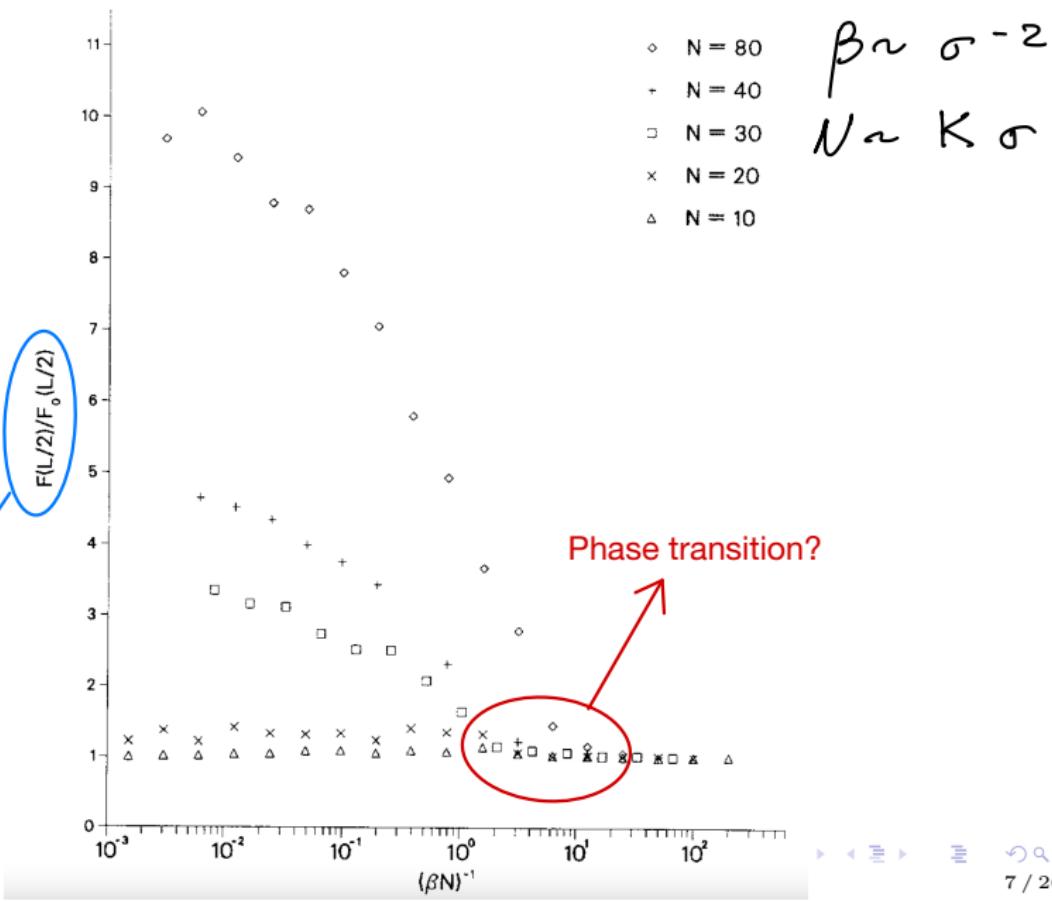
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# Other phase transitions? Big torus limit

LRS '88:



# Big torus limit

For simplicity, let  $p = 4$ .

Theorem: Rider '02

Let  $\mathbb{T}_L := \mathbb{R}/L\mathbb{Z}$  be the torus of size  $L$ , and consider the measure

$$\rho_{K,\sigma,L} = \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{4} \int_{L\mathbb{T}} |u|^4\right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq K\}} d\mu_L(u).$$

Then, as  $L \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\rho_{K,\sigma,L} \rightarrow \delta_0$ . More precisely, for any test function  $f \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left| \int_{L\mathbb{T}} f(x) u(x) dx \right| = 0.$$

⇒ the limit is trivial, and it has no phase transition.

# No phase transition?

Rider's result proves that

$$\rho_{K,\sigma,L} = \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{4} \int_{L\mathbb{T}} |u|^4\right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq KL\}} d\mu_L(u).$$

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LRS numerics “see” a phase transition depending on  $\beta N$ , where

$$\beta \sim \sigma^{-2}, \quad N \sim \frac{KL}{\beta}.$$

In Rider's result,

$$\beta N \sim \frac{KL\sigma^4}{\sigma^2} = KL\sigma^2 \sim L \gg 1.$$

Therefore, we should have  $\sigma^2 \sim L^{-\gamma(p)}$ .

# Phase transition on large torus/high temperature regime

Theorem: T. - Weber '21 +

Let  $2 < p < 6$ ,  $K > 2^{-\frac{3}{2}}$ , and consider the measure

$$\rho_{K,\sigma,L,\gamma} = \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{pL^\gamma} \int_{L\mathbb{T}} |u|^p\right) \mathbf{1}_{\{M(u) \leq KL\}} d\mu_L(u).$$

- ① If  $\gamma < \gamma_0(p)$ , then

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{K,\sigma,L,\gamma} = \delta_0.$$

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$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{K,\sigma,L,\gamma} = \mu_\infty,$$

where  $\mu_\infty$  denotes the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- ③ If  $\gamma = \gamma_0(p)$ , we are in the LRS numerics case.

- If  $\sigma \ll 1 \leftrightarrow (\beta N)^{-1} \gg 1$ ,

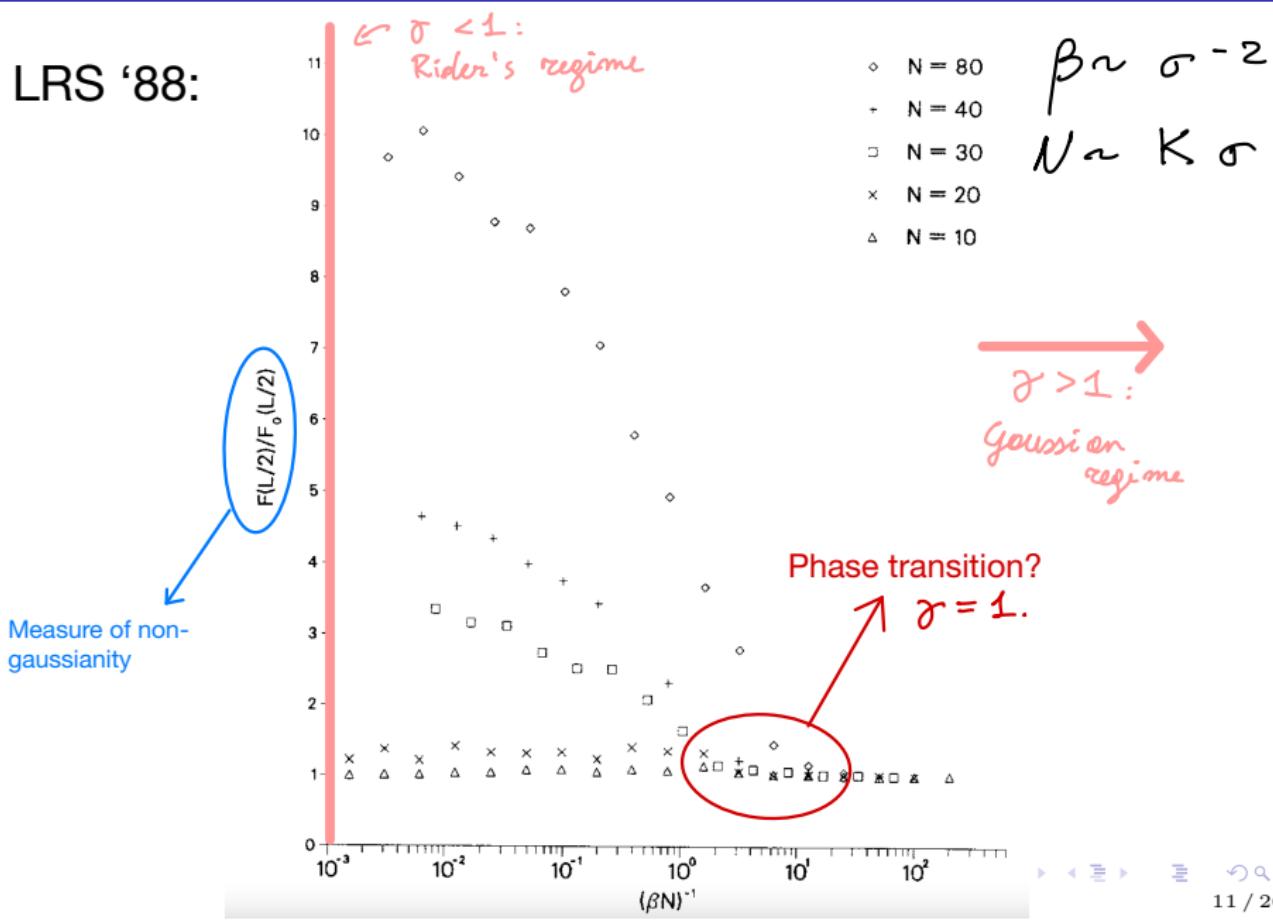
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# Phase transitions on the large torus

LRS '88:



# Higher dimension

Theorem: Brydges - Slade '96, Oh - Seong - T. '20

The focusing  $\Phi_2^4$  measure

$$\exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} :u^4: dx\right) \mathbb{1}_{\{|M(u)| \leq K\}} d\mu(u)$$

is not normalisable, regardless of the value of  $K$ .

Theorem: Oh - Okamoto - T. '21

The  $\Phi_3^3$  measure

$$\exp\left(\frac{\sigma}{3} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} :u^3: dx\right) \mathbb{1}_{\{|M(u)| \leq K\}} d\mu(u)$$

is normalisable for  $\sigma \ll 1$ , and not normalisable for  $\sigma \gg 1$ .

# Below the threshold: ingredient I

Suppose we have

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |u|^p \leq \left(1 + \varepsilon\right)^{-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |\partial_x u|^2 + C_E.$$

for  $u \in E$ . Then, by the Buoé-Dupuis formula, following Barashkov-Gubinelli:

$$\begin{aligned} & -\log \int \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u|^p \right) \mathbb{1}_E d\mu \\ & \geq \inf_{V \in H^1} \mathbb{E}_{\mu} \left[ -\mathbb{1}_E(u + V) \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u + V|^p + \frac{1}{2} \int |\partial_x V|^2 \right) \right] \\ & \geq \inf_{V \in H^1} \mathbb{E}_{\mu} \left[ -\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |u + V|^p + (1 + \varepsilon) \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int |V|^p + \text{error} \right] \\ & > -\infty. \end{aligned}$$

## Threshold case for $p = 6$

Fix  $\sigma = 1$ . If  $M(u) \leq K_0$ ,

$$\frac{1}{6} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u|^6 \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\partial_x u|^2.$$

Main obstacle:  $u$  such that we have “almost”  $=$ .

Let  $Q \in S(\mathbb{R})$  be the minimal nontrivial solution of

$$\Delta Q - 2Q + Q^5 = 0.$$

Then  $M(Q) = K_0$ , and

$$\frac{1}{6} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |Q|^6 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\partial_x Q|^2.$$

Moreover, if  $W$  satisfies  $M(W) \leq K_0$ ,  $\int |W|^6 = 3 \int |\partial_x W|^2$ , then

$$W(x) = e^{i\theta} \delta^{-\frac{1}{2}} Q(\delta^{-1}(x - x_0)) =: e^{i\theta} Q_{\delta, x_0}.$$

## Stability of the optimisers: ingredient II

If  $\textcolor{red}{u} \in L^2$  satisfies (in a suitable sense)

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}} |u|^6 > \left(\frac{1}{2} - \gamma\right) \int_{\mathbb{T}} |\partial_x u|^2 + C(\|u\|_{L^2}),$$

then there exist  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x_0 \in \mathbb{T}$ ,  $\delta \ll 1$  such that

$$\|u - e^{i\theta} Q_{\delta, x_0}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{T})} \leq \varepsilon(\gamma).$$

By the “under the threshold” proof,

$$Z < \infty \iff \mathbb{E}_{\mu} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{1}{6} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |u|^6 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq K_0, \|u - e^{i\theta} Q_{\delta, x_0}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{T})} \leq \varepsilon\}} \right] < \infty.$$

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on a neighbourhood of  $e^{i\theta} Q_{\delta, x_0}$  in  $M(u) \leq K_0$ . Changing variables, we want to estimate

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# Spectral analysis: ingredient III?

Reduced to estimate

$$\mathbb{E}_\mu \left[ \exp \left( - \langle u, Au \rangle_{L^2} + \text{ error} \right) \right],$$

where

$$A = \delta^{-2} - \frac{5}{2} Q_\delta^4.$$

We need

$$\text{tr} \left| \log \left( \overbrace{1 + 2\partial_x^{-1} A \partial_x^{-1}}^B \right) \right| < +\infty.$$

**Problem:** Symmetries.

$$B \partial_\delta Q_\delta = 0, \quad B \partial_{x_0} Q_\delta = 0, \quad B \partial_\theta Q_\delta = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow \text{tr} = +\infty$ .

# Orthogonal decomposition: ingredient III

## Lemma

There exists  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that, given  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ ,  $\delta \leq 1$ ,  $x_0 \in \mathbb{T}$ , if  $\|u - e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0}\|_{L^2} < \varepsilon_0$ , there exists a (unique) representation

$$u = e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0} + v,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} v \perp_{H^1} V_{\theta,\delta,x_0} &= \text{span}(\partial_\theta e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0}, \partial_\delta e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0}, \partial_{x_0} e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0}), \\ \|v\|_{L^2} &\lesssim \|u - e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0}\|_{L^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This allows us to disintegrate the measure  $\mu$ :

$$\mathbb{E}_\mu[F(u)] = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_{\mathbb{T}} \mathbb{E}_{\mu_{\theta,\delta,x_0}^\perp} [F(e^{i\theta}Q_{\delta,x_0} + v)] d\sigma(\theta, \delta, x_0),$$

where  $\mu_{\theta,\delta,x_0}^\perp$  is the measure on  $V_{\theta,\delta,x_0}^\perp$  with covariance  $(1 - \partial_x^2)^{-1}$ .

# Spectral analysis: Ingredient IV

We need to estimate

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu_\delta^\perp} \left[ \exp \left( - \langle u, Au \rangle_{L^2} + \text{error} \right) \right],$$

where

$$A = \delta^{-2} - \frac{5}{2} Q_\delta^4.$$

On  $V_\delta^\perp$ ,  $B := 1 + 2\partial_x^{-1} A \partial_x^{-1}$  is strictly positive. Moreover,

$$A \gtrsim T := \delta^{-2} \begin{cases} -1 & \text{on } [-\delta/100, \delta/100], \\ 1 & \text{on } [-\delta/100, \delta/100]^c, \end{cases}$$

whose spectrum can be found explicitly. We obtain

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu_\delta^\perp} \left[ \exp \left( - \langle u, Au \rangle_{L^2} + \text{error} \right) \right] \lesssim \exp(-c\delta^{-1}).$$

# Optimal threshold recipe

Ingredients:

- ① Non-optimal case:

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |u|^p \leq \left(1 + \gamma\right)^{-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{T}} |\partial_x u|^2 + C$$

- ②  $L^2$  - stability of the optimisers:

$$\|u - e^{i\theta} Q_{\delta,x_0}\|_{L^2} > \varepsilon \Rightarrow \text{non-optimal case.}$$

- ③  $H^1$ -Orthogonal decomposition of an  $L^2$ -neighbourhood of  $\{e^{i\theta} Q_{\delta,x_0}\}_{\theta,\delta,x_0}$   
+ corresponding disintegration of  $\mu$  in  $\mu_{\theta,\delta,x_0}^\perp$ .
- ④ Spectral analysis of

$$1 + 2\partial_x^{-1} \left( \delta^{-2} - \frac{5}{2} Q_\delta^4 \right) \partial_x^{-1} \quad \text{on } V_\delta^\perp.$$

# Big torus limit

Define

$$A(\sigma, K) := \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma^2}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u|^4 - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\partial_x u|^2 : M(u) \leq K \right\},$$

and let  $Q = Q_{\sigma, K}$  be an optimiser for  $A(\sigma, K)$ .

**Almost soliton case:**  $\gamma < 1$ .

$$\rho_L := \frac{1}{Z_L} \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{4L^\gamma} \int_{L\mathbb{T}} |u|^4 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq KN\}} \mu_L \rightharpoonup \delta_0.$$

①  $Z_L \sim \exp(A(\sigma, K)L^{3-2\gamma})$

②  $Z_L(\eta) := \mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{4L^\gamma} \int_{L\mathbb{T}} |u|^4 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq KN\}} \mathbb{1}_{\{\|L^{-\gamma/2}u(L^{1-\gamma}\cdot) - Q(\cdot-x_0)\| > \eta\}} \right]$   
 $\lesssim \exp((A(\sigma, K) - \varepsilon(\eta))L^{3-2\gamma})$

Therefore,

$$\rho_L \mathbb{1}_{\{\text{not soliton-like}\}} \lesssim \frac{Z_L(\eta)}{Z_L} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } L \rightarrow \infty.$$

# Big torus limit: $\gamma < 1$ , main ingredients

- ① Cameron-Martin theorem:

$$u = L^{\frac{\gamma}{2}} Q(L^{-(1-\gamma)} \cdot) + v$$

- ② Stability of optimisers:

Let

$$A_{\eta}(\sigma, K) := \sup \left\{ \frac{\sigma^2}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u|^4 - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\partial_x u|^2 : M(u) \leq K, \|u - Q(\cdot - x_0)\| < \eta \right\}.$$

Then  $A_{\eta}(\sigma, K) < A(\sigma, K)$  for every  $\eta > 0$ .

In particular, if  $u_n$  is a sequence of almost optimisers for  $A(\sigma, K)$ , we must have  $u_n(\cdot - x_n) \rightarrow Q$  for some sequence  $x_n$ .

Big torus limit:  $\gamma = 1, \sigma \ll 1$

Fix  $\gamma = 1, \sigma \ll 1$ . We want to show that

$$\rho_L \rightharpoonup \mu_\infty.$$

- ① Using translation invariance, for  $\theta < 1$ ,

$$\rho_L \approx \frac{1}{Z_L} \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{4L} \int_{[-L^\theta, L^\theta]^c} |u|^4 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{M(u) \leq KN\}} \mu_L$$

- ② Since  $\sigma \ll 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{Z_L} \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{4L} \int_{[-L^\theta, L^\theta]^c} |u|^4 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{\mathcal{M}(u) \leq KN\}} \mu_L \\ & \approx \frac{1}{Z_L} \exp \left( \frac{\sigma^2}{4L} \int_{[-L^\theta, L^\theta]^c} |u|^4 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\{\mathcal{M}(u|_{[-L^\theta, L^\theta]^c}) \leq KN\}} \mu_L =: \rho_L^\theta \end{aligned}$$

# Big torus limit: $\gamma = 1, \sigma \ll 1$

- ➊ Fix  $K \subset \mathbb{R}$  compact, and let  $F$  be a “nice” functional. We want to show

$$\int \exp(F(u|_K)) d\rho_L^\theta \approx \mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left[ \exp(F(u|_K)) \right] \times \int d\rho_L^\theta.$$

Based on short range interaction of  $\mu_L$ : if  $d(H, K) \gg 1$ , then

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left[ \exp(F(u|_K) + G(u|_H)) \right] \approx \mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left[ \exp(F(u|_K)) \right] \mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left[ \exp(G(u|_H)) \right].$$

Boué - Dupuis formula: if  $C$  closed,

$$-\log \mathbb{E}_{\mu_L} \left[ \exp(-H(u|_C)) \right] \approx \inf_V \mathbb{E} \left[ H(u + V|_C) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{L\mathbb{T}} V(1 - \partial_x^2)V \right].$$

By the first variation, the optimiser  $V$  must satisfies

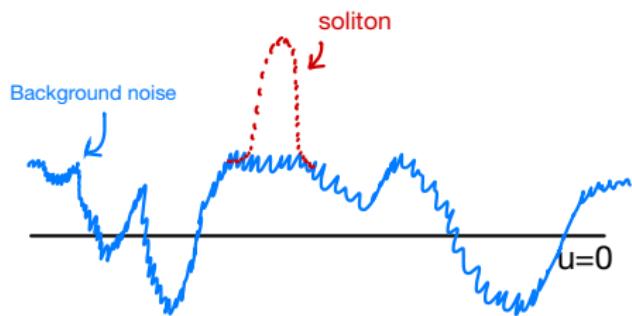
$$V - V'' = 0 \quad \text{on } C^c$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  exponential decay outside of  $C$ .

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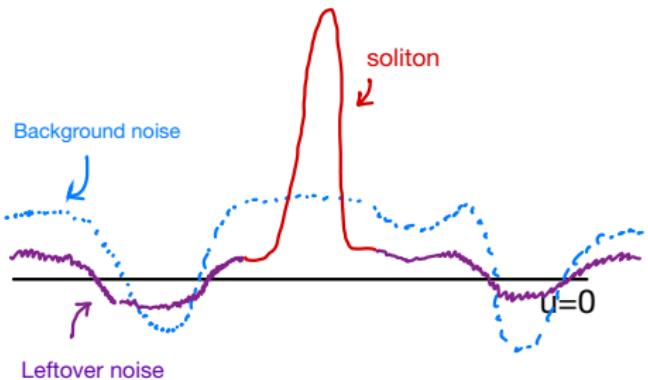
$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{K,\sigma,L,\gamma} = \mu_\infty.$$



A **soliton** tries to form, but it does not have enough mass available to be favourable. We are left with the **background noise**.

If  $\sigma \gg 1 \leftrightarrow (\beta N)^{-1} \ll 1$ ,

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \rho_{K,\sigma,L,\gamma} \neq \mu_\infty.$$



The **soliton** is so energetically convenient that takes mass from the **background noise**. In the limit, we are left with the **leftover noise**.

*Thank you for your attention!*