

Diffusion of particle velocity in the dense wave spectrum limit

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Statistical mechanics of self-gravitating particles



Two problems

- 1.5 deg. freedom, « controlled » dynamics :
stochastic processes
convergence of N particles to ensemble
- Self-consistent many-body dynamics :
history, physical motivation, heuristics
numerical simulations
analytical estimates in some regimes
space-time phase ?

Test particles in many waves

Hamiltonian dynamics (toy model, paradigm)

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{q} &= m^{-1} \sum_{m=-\mu}^{\mu'-1} A_m \sin(q - mt + \varphi_m) \\ &= m^{-1} \sum_m A_m \cos(mt - \varphi_m) \sin q - m^{-1} \sum_m A_m \sin(mt - \varphi_m) \cos q\end{aligned}$$

with $A_m \cos \varphi_m, A_m \sin \varphi_m$ random i.i.d., std normal

$$\mathbb{E}(A_m \cos \varphi_m)^2 = \mathbb{E}(A_m \sin \varphi_m)^2 = 1/2 \text{ for all } m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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Test particles in many waves

Scaling : $P = mv/A$, $Q = q$

$M \rightarrow \infty$: Stratonovich integration (Doss, Sussman, 1977-78) :

$$dQ_t = AP_t dt,$$

$$dP_t = \sin(Q_t) \circ dC_t + \cos(Q_t) \circ dS_t$$

C and S are martingales, with quadratic variation

$$\langle C \rangle_t = \langle S \rangle_t = \pi t, \quad \langle C, S \rangle_t = 0.$$

i.e. $C^2 - \langle C \rangle$ is a martingale, etc... but **periodized** :

$$dC_{t+2k\pi} = dC_t, \quad dS_{t+2k\pi} = dS_t$$

Test particles in many waves

THEOREM 3.1. *For any $N > 0$, the momentum processes $P^{(\nu)}$ defined by*

$$(3.5) \quad dQ_t^{(\nu)} = AP_t^{(\nu)} dt, \quad Q_0^{(\nu)} = q_0^{(\nu)},$$

$$(3.6) \quad dP_t^{(\nu)} = (\sin Q_t^{(\nu)}) dC_t + (\cos Q_t^{(\nu)}) dS_t, \quad P_0^{(\nu)} = p_0^{(\nu)},$$

with N different initial data $(q_0^{(\nu)}, p_0^{(\nu)}) \in \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R}$, $1 \leq \nu \leq N$, converge as $A \rightarrow \infty$ to N independent Wiener processes with variance πt , and convergence is in law in $C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R}^N)$.

... supports using ensemble picture for large N

Test particles in many waves

$N = 1, 0 < t < 2\pi$: straightforward... for experts;-))

P is a martingale (w.r.t. filtration ass. C, S), and

$$\begin{aligned} dP^2 &= 2 P dP + \sin^2(Q) d\langle C \rangle + \cos^2(Q) d\langle S \rangle \\ &= (\text{martingale}) + (\sin^2(Q) + \cos^2(Q)) \pi dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } d\langle P \rangle = \pi dt$$

$\Rightarrow P$ is brownian for any $A > 0$

$N = 2, 0 < t < 2\pi$: $P^{(1)}, P^{(2)}$ martingale in \mathbb{R}^2 , so prove that

$$\langle P^{(1)}, P^{(2)} \rangle \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } A \rightarrow \infty$$

Test particles in many waves

$N = 2$, $0 < t < 2\pi$: to prove that $\langle P^{(1)}, P^{(2)} \rangle \rightarrow 0$ as $A \rightarrow \infty$

Let $V_t = (P_t^{(1)} - P_t^{(2)}) / (2\pi^{1/2})$, $U_t = (Q_t^{(1)} - Q_t^{(2)}) / 2$:

$$\langle P^{(v)}, P^{(v')} \rangle_t = \int_0^t \cos(2U_s^m) \pi ds = \int_0^t (1 - 2\sin^2 U_s^m) \pi ds$$

$$\frac{dU_t^m}{dt} = nV_t^m, \quad U_0 = u, \quad n = \pi^{1/2}A$$

$$dV_t^m = \sin(U_t^m) dW_t, \quad V_0 = v$$

Test particles in many waves

THEOREM 3.2. As $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$V^n \Rightarrow v + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}B,$$

where $\{B_t, t \geq 0\}$ is a standard one-dimensional Brownian motion, and the convergence is in law in $C(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{R})$.

Test particles in many waves

$N > 0, K > 0, 0 < t < 2K\pi$: let

$$P_t^{(n+(k-1)N)} = P_{t-2(k-1)\pi}^{(n)}$$

$$Q_t^{(n+(k-1)N)} = Q_{t-2(k-1)\pi}^{(n)}$$

reduces to previous problem.

Test particles in many waves

Non-«Wiener» wave fields, e.g. finite bandwidth :

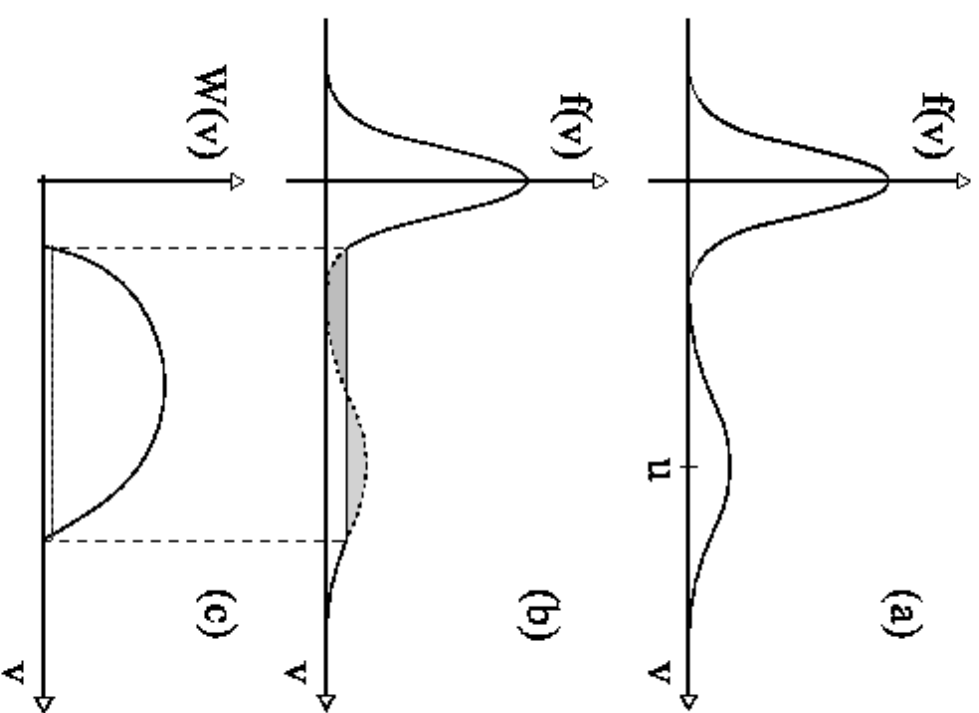
work in progress...

Two problems

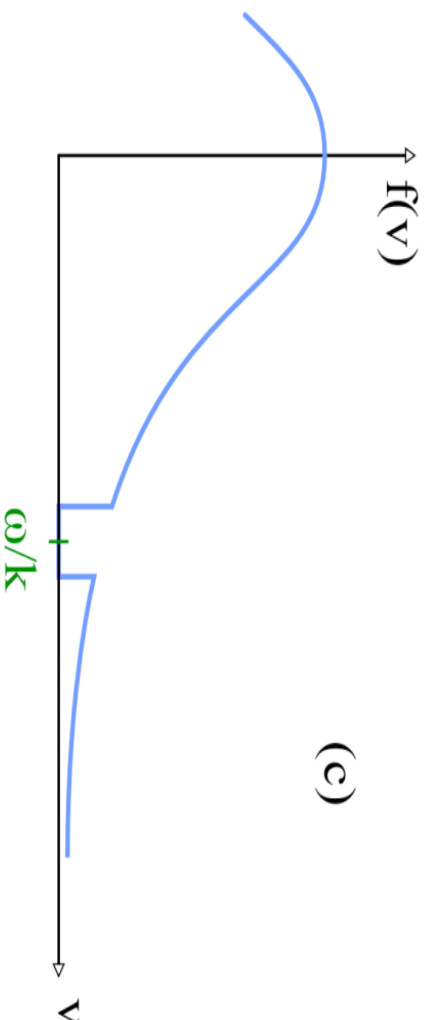
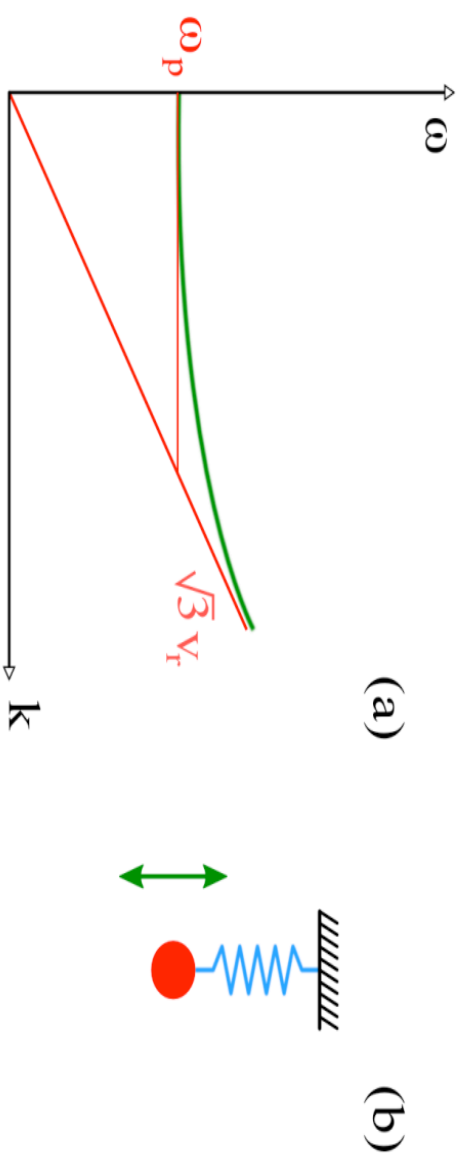
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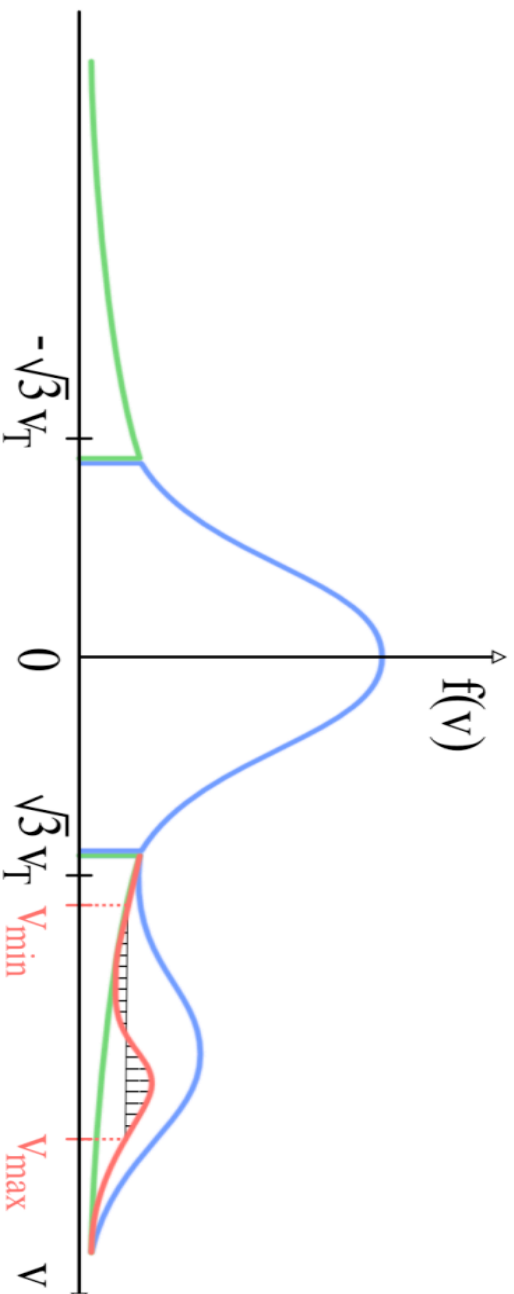
- Self-consistent wave-particle dynamics :
- Vlasov-wave and quasilinear approximation**
- Bump-on-tail (weak warm beam) instability
 - Conservation laws (global, local)
 - Final wave & particle distribution prediction
 - Statistical variability
 - Microscopic dynamics in plateau regime
 - Full time evolution : always quasilinear ?
- (BEEB, PPCF 53 (2011) 025012)

Weak warm beam instability

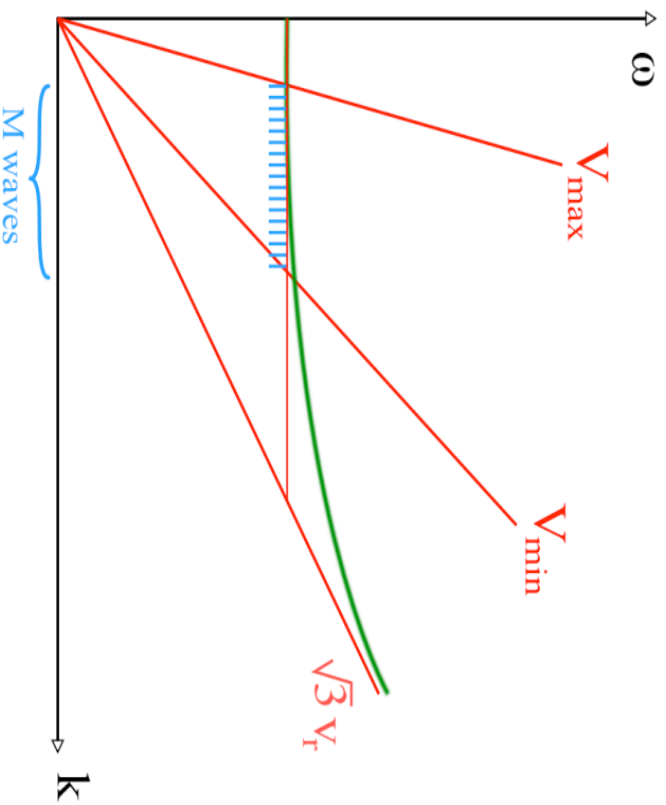


Description with a finite dimensional Hamiltonian system





Red bump OK
 Green tail OK
 Blue bump too big



Hamiltonian for
 N particles + M harmonic oscillators + coupling

Keeps the genuine granular character of
 plasmas

Also describes

- traveling wave tube
- free-electron laser: $M=1$ Colson-Bonifacio

$$H_{sc} = \sum_{l=1}^N \frac{p_l^2}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^M \omega_j \frac{X_j^2 + Y_j^2}{2} + \sum_{l=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M k_j^{-1} \varepsilon_j (Y_j \sin k_j x_l - X_j \cos k_j x_l)$$

Conservation laws (global)

- **Momentum** $P_{sc} = \sum_{r=1}^N p_r + \sum_{j=1}^M k_j I_j$

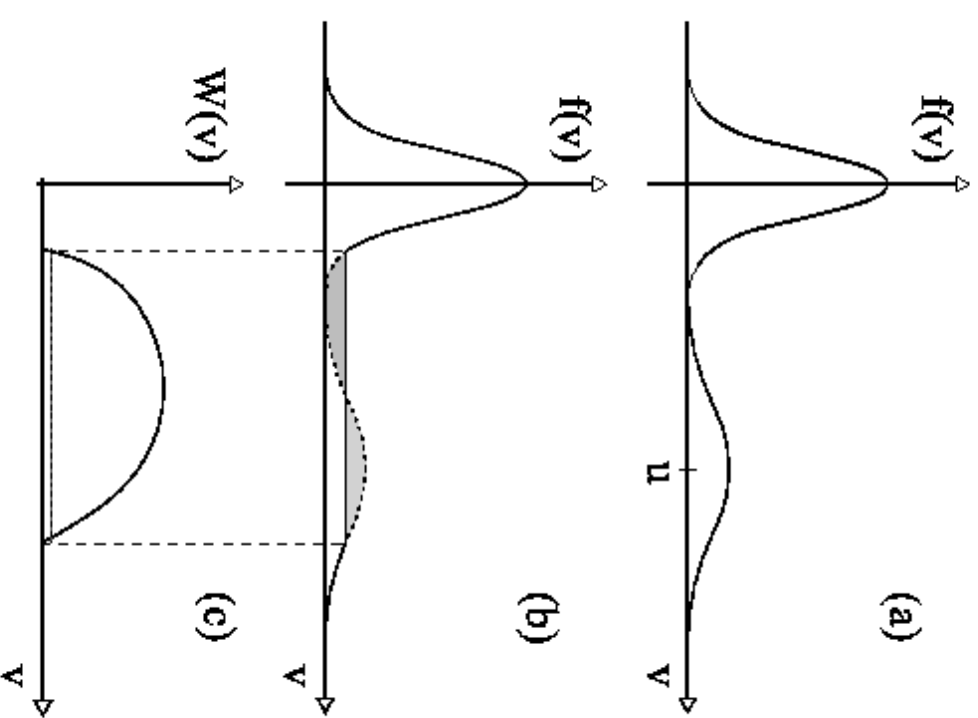
with $I_j = \frac{X_j^2 + Y_j^2}{2}$, $\varepsilon_j = \varepsilon \beta_j$

- **Energy** $H_{sc}^{N,M} = \sum_{r=1}^N \frac{p_r^2}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^M \omega_j I_j$

$$- \varepsilon \sum_{r=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M k_j^{-1} \beta_j \sqrt{2I_j} \cos(k_j x_r - \theta_j)$$

Weak warm beam instability

- 1961-62 QL theory
- Perturbative theory + random phase approximation



Particle dynamics

$$\dot{x}_r = p_r$$

$$\dot{p}_r = -\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^M \beta_j \sqrt{2I_j} \sin(k_j x_r - \theta_j)$$

with $M \gg 1$, incoherent phases θ_j

Approx. white noise, $D_{\text{QL}}(p_m) = \frac{\pi \varepsilon^2 \beta_m^2 \langle I_m(t') \rangle}{k_m \Delta v_m}$
(1.5 deg. freedom)

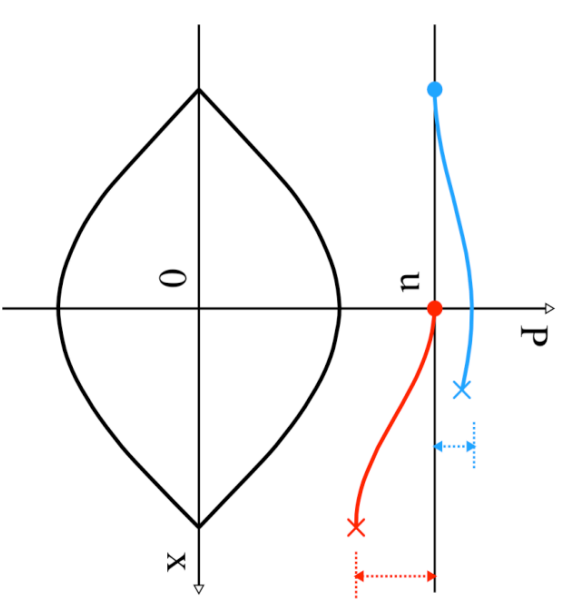
Wave dynamics

Interaction local in v : for $Z_j = X_j + iY_j$

$$\dot{Z}_j = -i\omega_j Z_j + i\epsilon\beta_j k_j^{-1} \sum_{r=1}^N e^{-ik_j x_r}$$

Conservation law

$$P_{sc} = \sum_{r=1}^N P_r + \sum_{j=1}^M k_j I_j$$



Local balance... $\gamma_{jL} \equiv \frac{\pi \epsilon^2 \beta_j^2}{2 k_j^2} N f_t'(\omega_j/k_j)$

Quasilinear approximation

$M \gg 1$: force \sim white noise,
wave power spectrum

$$\psi(t, v_m) = k_m |\zeta_m|^2 / (2\Delta v_m)$$

coupled to only $f(v)$

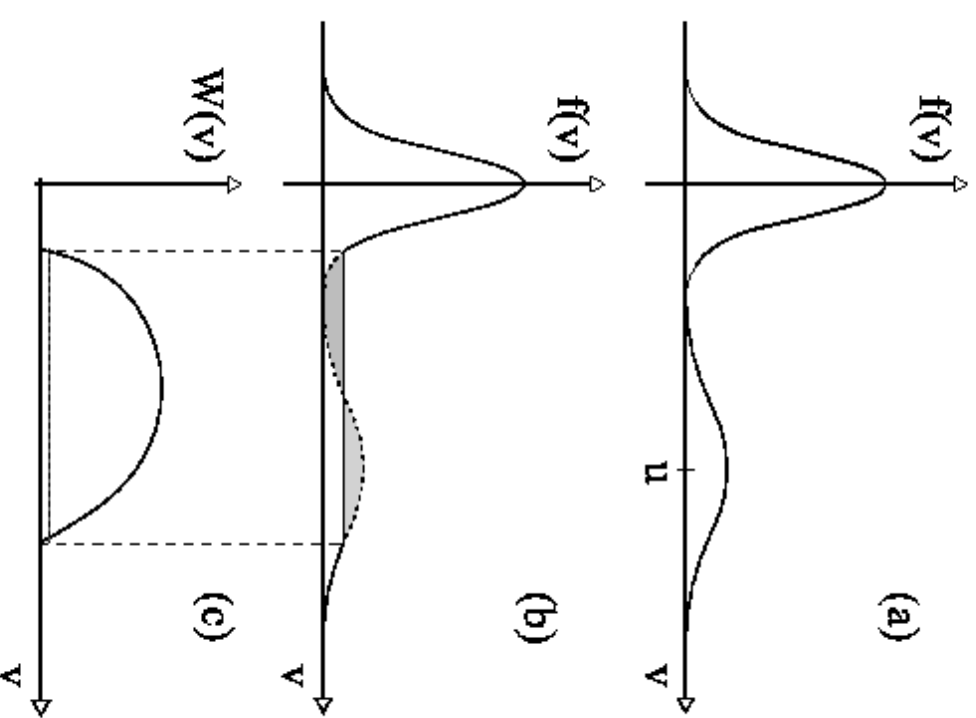
$$\partial_t \bar{f} = \partial_v (D_{\text{QL}}(t, v) \partial_v \bar{f}) \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_t \psi = 2\gamma_{\text{L}}(t, v) \psi$$

$$D_{\text{QL}}(t, v) = \frac{\pi \epsilon^2 \beta^2}{k^2} \psi(t, v) \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_{\text{L}}(t, v) = \frac{\pi \epsilon^2 \beta^2}{2k^2} \partial_v \bar{f}(t, v)$$

Weak warm beam instability

- 1961-62 QL theory
- Perturbative theory + random phase approximation
- Diffusion of particles
- Landau growth of waves

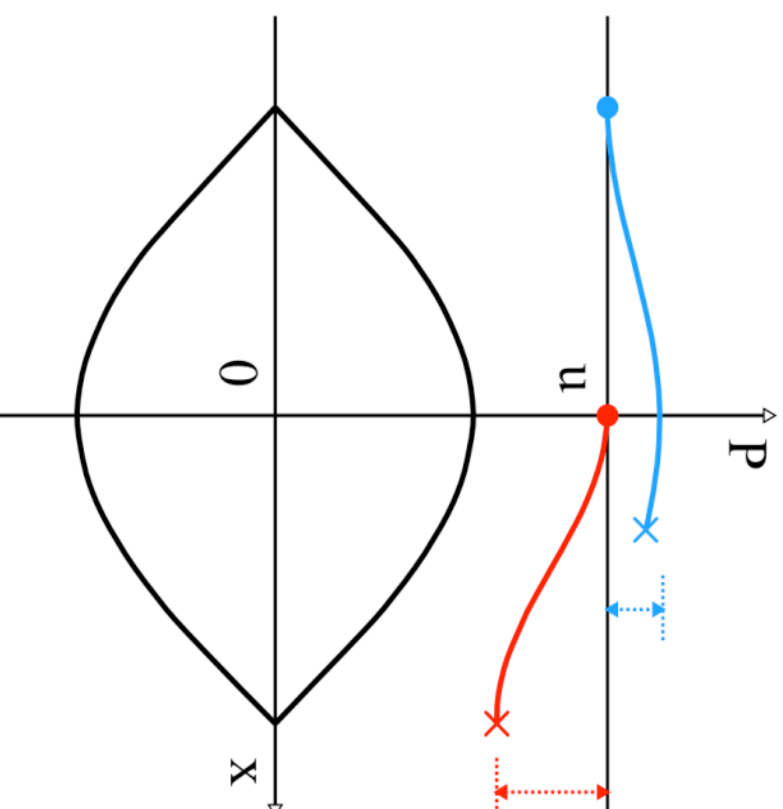
...for $f(v,t)$ and $\psi(v,t)$ only,
eliminating x and θ



Correct for the actual chaotic relaxation?

Current understanding (reformulation) Resonant coupling

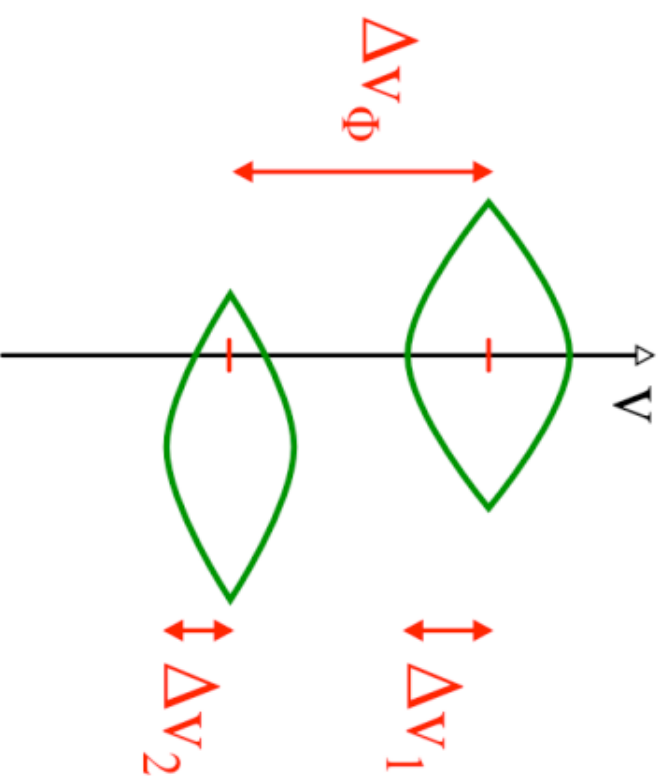
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Resonant coupling :

- synchronization

- few waves :
overlap, chaotic transport



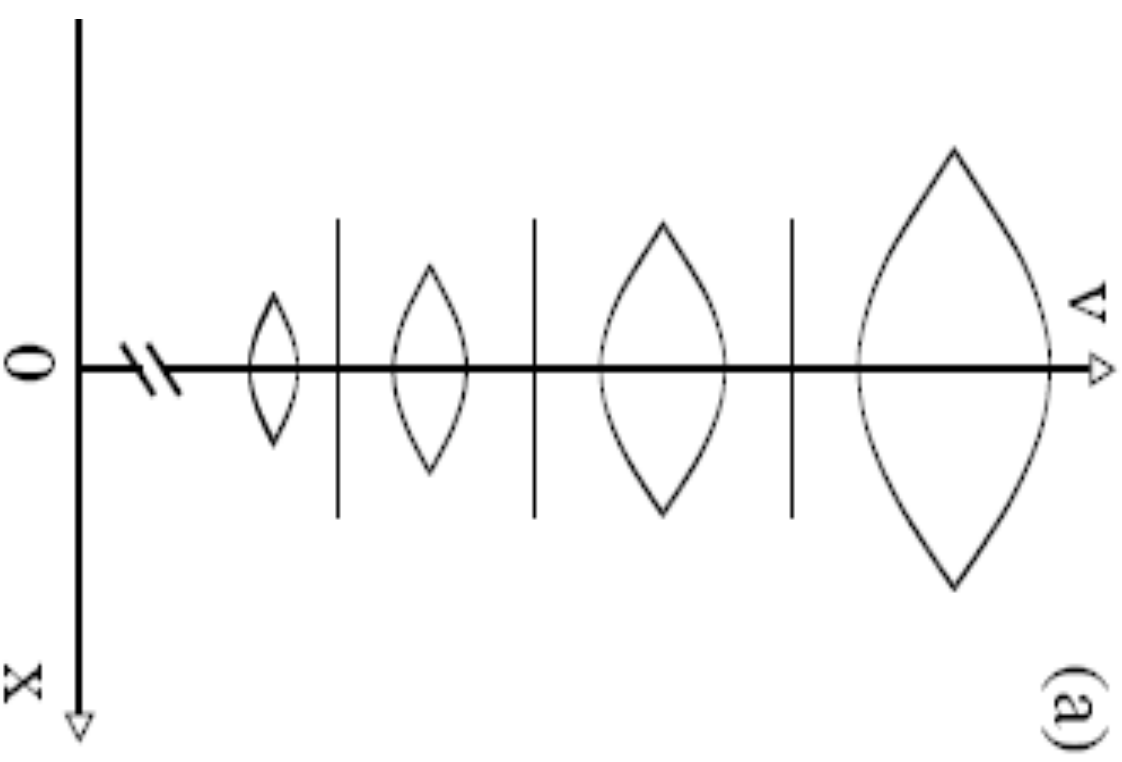
Resonant coupling :

- synchronization

- few waves :
overlap, large-scale chaos

- dense spectrum :

$$\text{box } |v - \omega/k| \leq \Delta v_D \sim (D_{\text{ql}}/k)^{1/3} \sim |q|^{4/3}$$



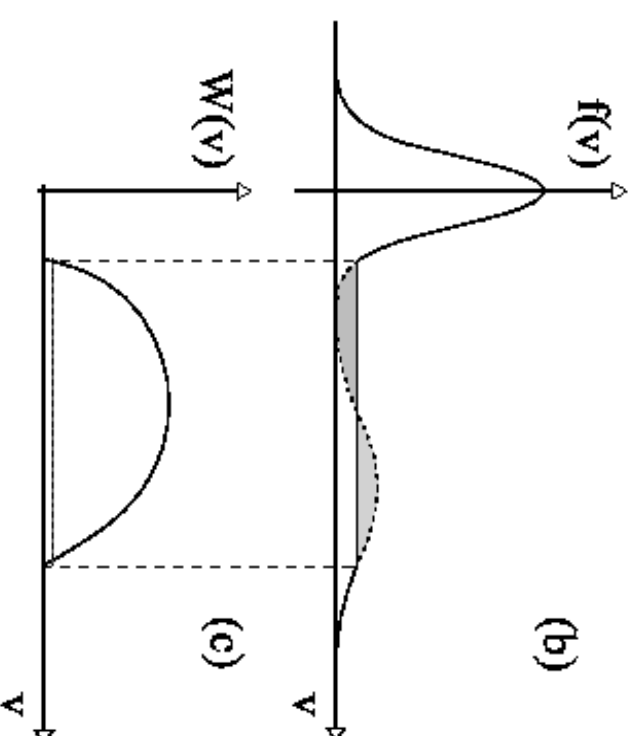
Resonant coupling :

plateau formation



(b)

Landau growth



QL : physical assumptions

No gaps in power spectrum

Independent phases (repeatedly « **random phase** approx. »)

Vedenov, Velikhov, Sagdeev ; Drummond, Pines (1962)

Dupree, Adam, Laval, Pesme, Liang, Diamond, Galeev, Shapiro, Shevchenko, Doxas, Cary, ...

Experiment by Tsunoda, Doveil & Malmberg 1991 :

QL predictions look right...

but QL assumptions are completely wrong

Vlasov-wave dynamics :

$$\partial_t f + v \partial_x f + \varepsilon \operatorname{Re} \left(i \sum_{m=1}^M \beta_m \zeta_m e^{i(k_m x - \omega_m t)} \right) \partial_v f = 0,$$

$$\dot{\zeta}_m = i \varepsilon \frac{\beta_m}{k_m} \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i(k_m x - \omega_m t)} f(t, x, v) dv dx,$$

Particles : $f(x, v)$

Waves ($1 \leq m \leq M$) : $\zeta_m = (X_m + iY_m) e^{i\omega_m t}$

Hamiltonian dynamics, mean-field

Interaction is local in velocity

Semi-lagrangian simulation (GENCI)

$0.14 < \omega/k < 1$ $0 < v < 1.14$ $0 \leq x \leq 152 \pi$

$M = 450$ $Nv = 768$ $Nx = 2112$

coupling $\eta = 2.55 \cdot 10^{-3} = n_b/n_p$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{2\eta/(1+\eta)}$$

initial $f(x, v) = f(v)$ s.t. $\gamma = 10^{-3}$

initial ζ : random phases, small amplitude

$$|\zeta_m| = \varepsilon_{\zeta^0} \sqrt{2\psi_{\infty}(v_m) \frac{\Delta v_m}{k_m}}$$

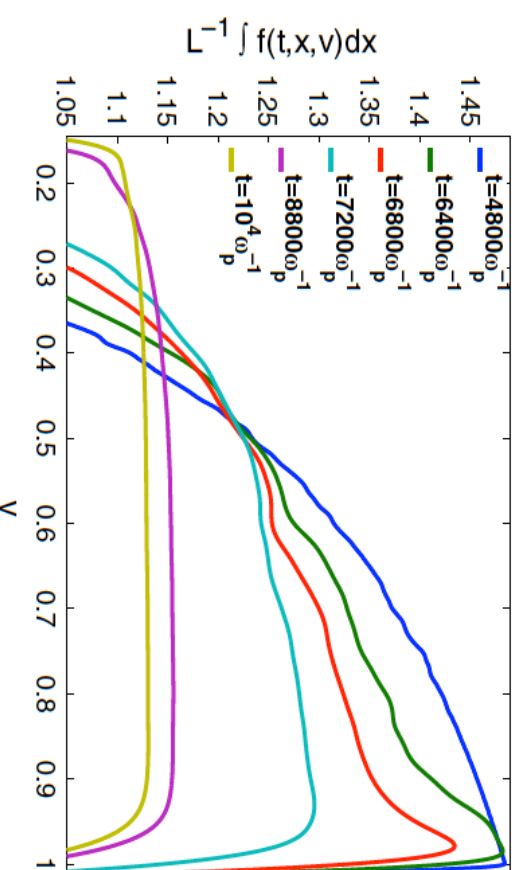
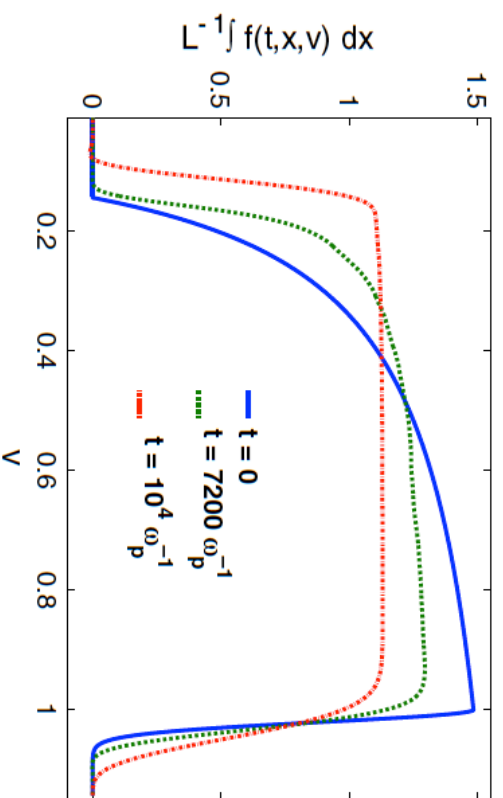
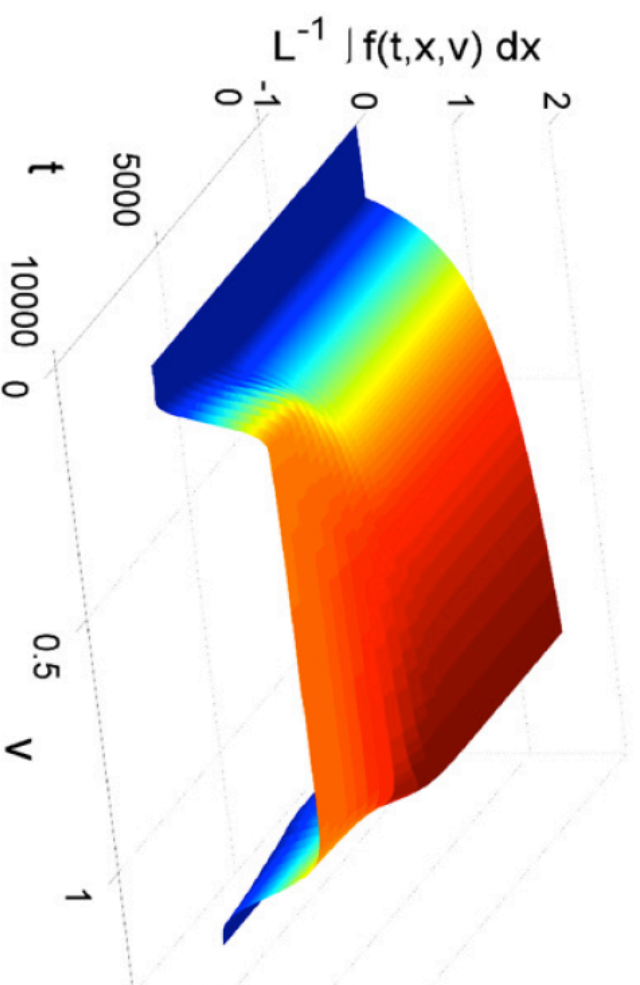


Figure 5. Plateau formation in the x -averaged velocity distribution function. (Colour online.)

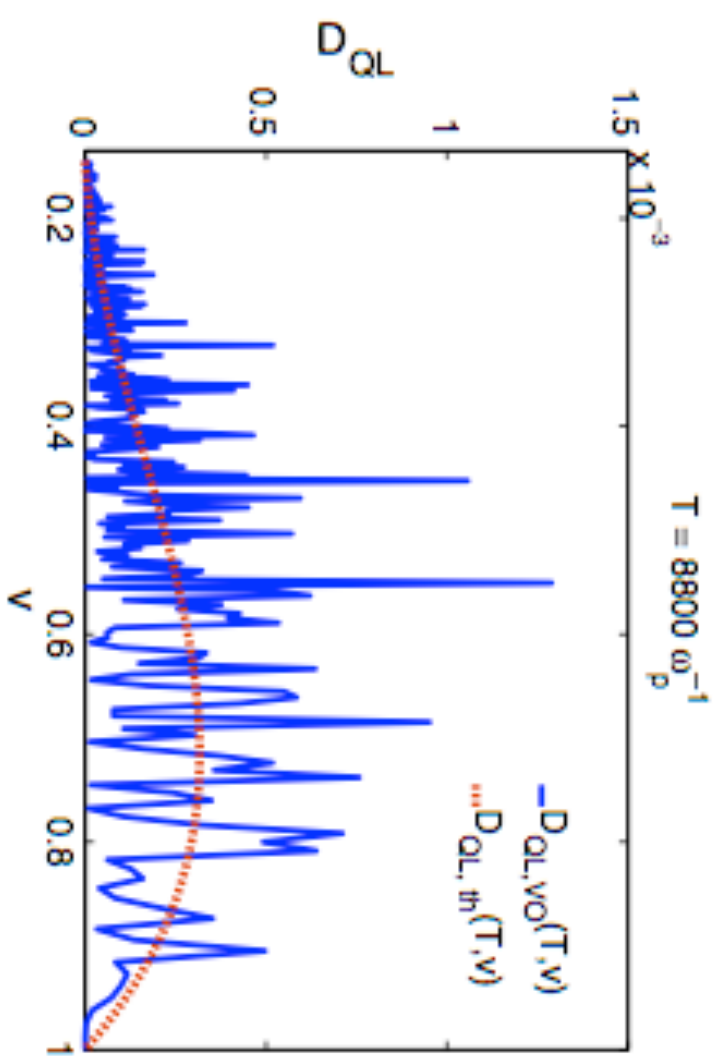
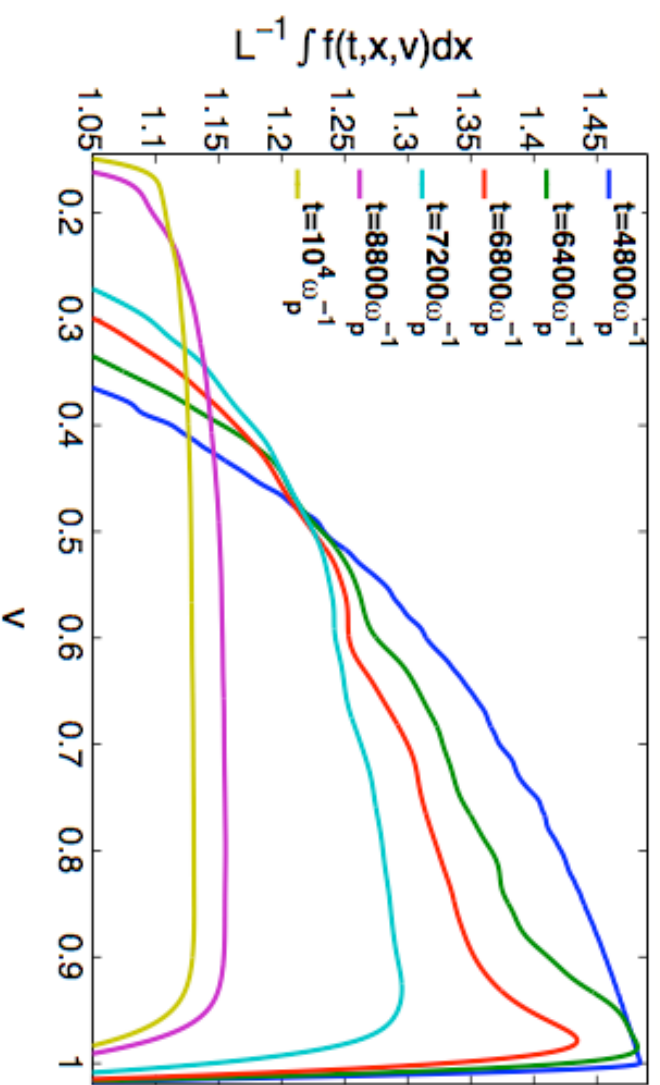
Conservation laws (local)

Momentum exchange : local in velocity

$$\partial_t v(p, t) \equiv 0$$

$$v(p) \equiv f(p) - \partial_p \psi(p)$$

This predicts final power spectrum...
but agreement on final (ψ, f) does not warrant
QL equations to hold.



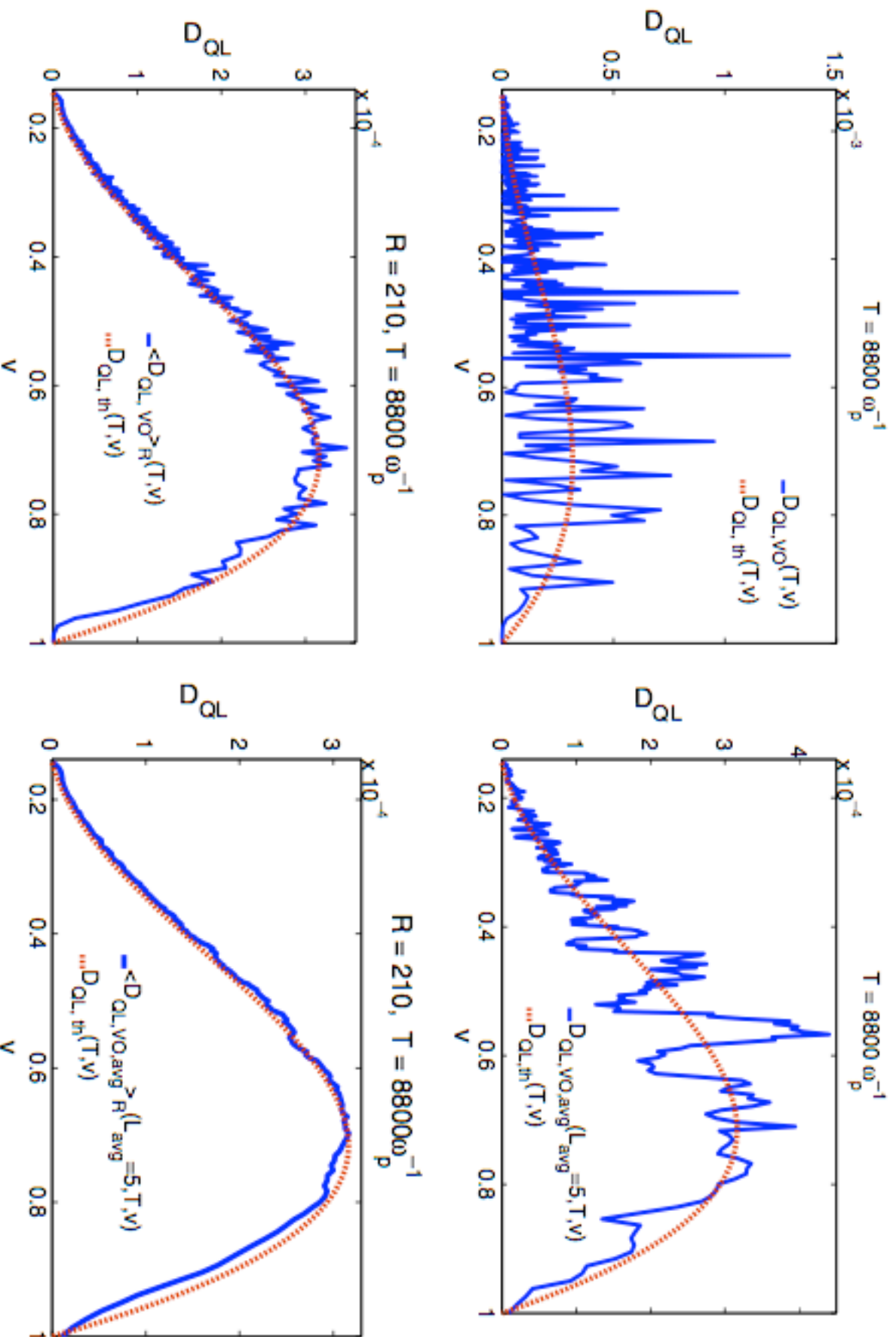
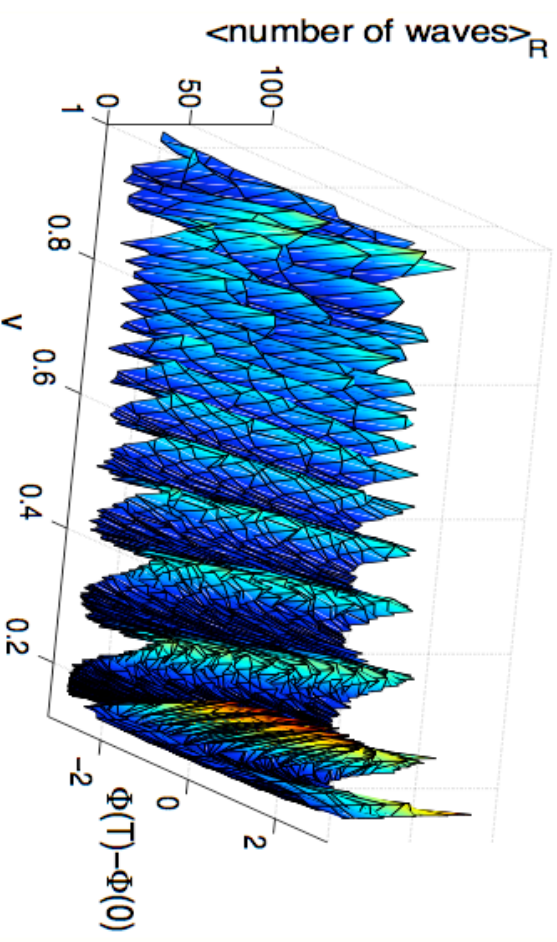
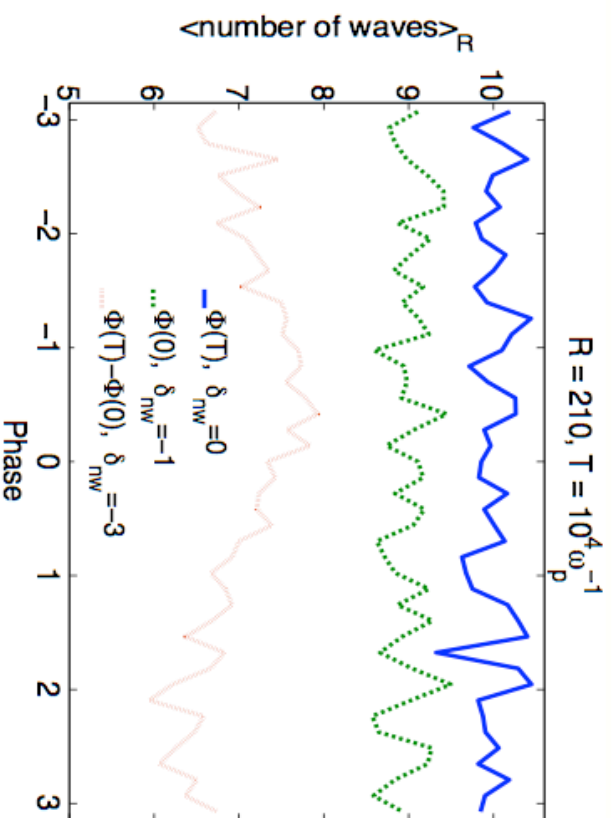


Figure 7. Quasilinear diffusion coefficient: (top) for a single realization; (bottom) ensemble averaged over $R = 210$ simulations; (left) for each velocity from the wave intensity; (right) averaged over $2L + 1 = 11$ neighbouring waves. Dashed red lines: theoretical QL prediction (4).

Waves phases :

initially random, finally random too, correlated ?



Initial randomness propagates...

Microscopic mechanism

Particle motion is chaotic...

but correlated !

and feeds back on waves !

Why should simple quasilinear approximation hold ?!

Microscopic mechanism

In plateau regime :

- strong overlap, strong nonlinearity
- yet wave-wave coupling negligible (EE08)
- test particles

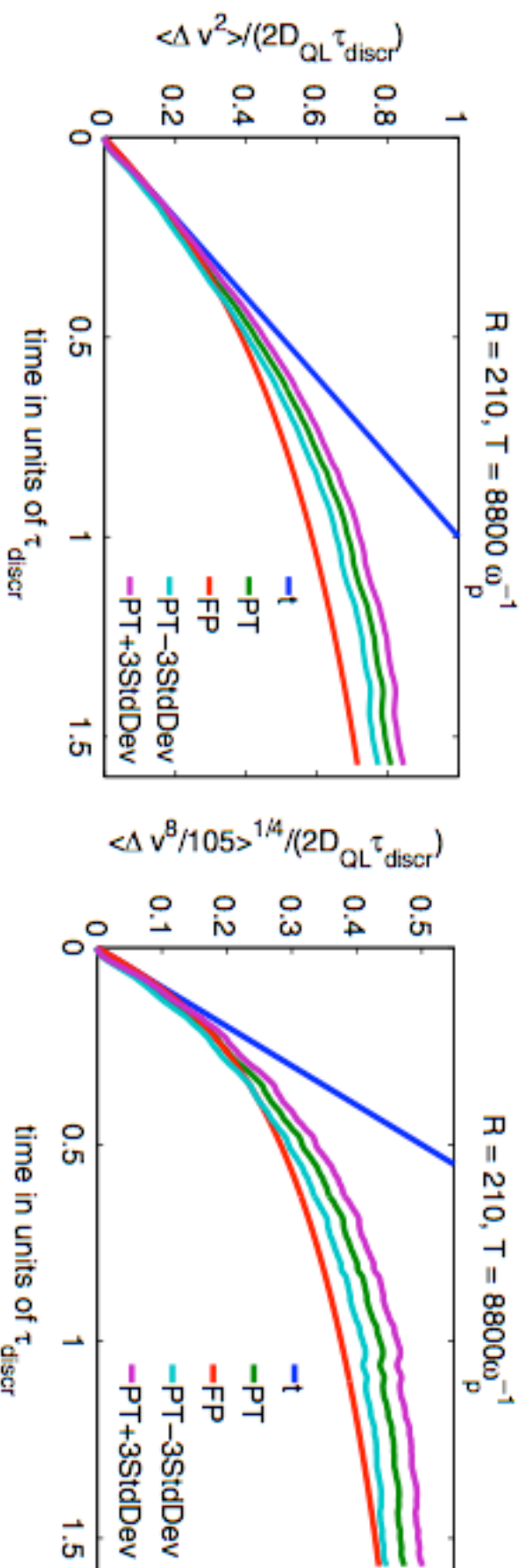


Figure 10. Scaled moments of orders 2 and 8 of the particle velocity deviation. FP: Fokker-Planck equation. PT: motion of 20 test particles in $R = 210$ realizations of the wave complex amplitudes $\xi_m(T)$. (Colour online.)

Plateau regime (space-time phase ?)

f plateau (waterbag)

⇒ ζ_m 's almost stationary :

wave-wave coupling negligible

⇒ particles individually in chaotic $H_{1.5}$ deg. freedom

chaotic particle transport obeys Liouville

⇒ plateau preserved

Plateau boundaries : KAM tori

Adiabatic corrections...

(EE : arXiv:0807.1839 ; BEEB : PPCF 2011)

Simulation validation

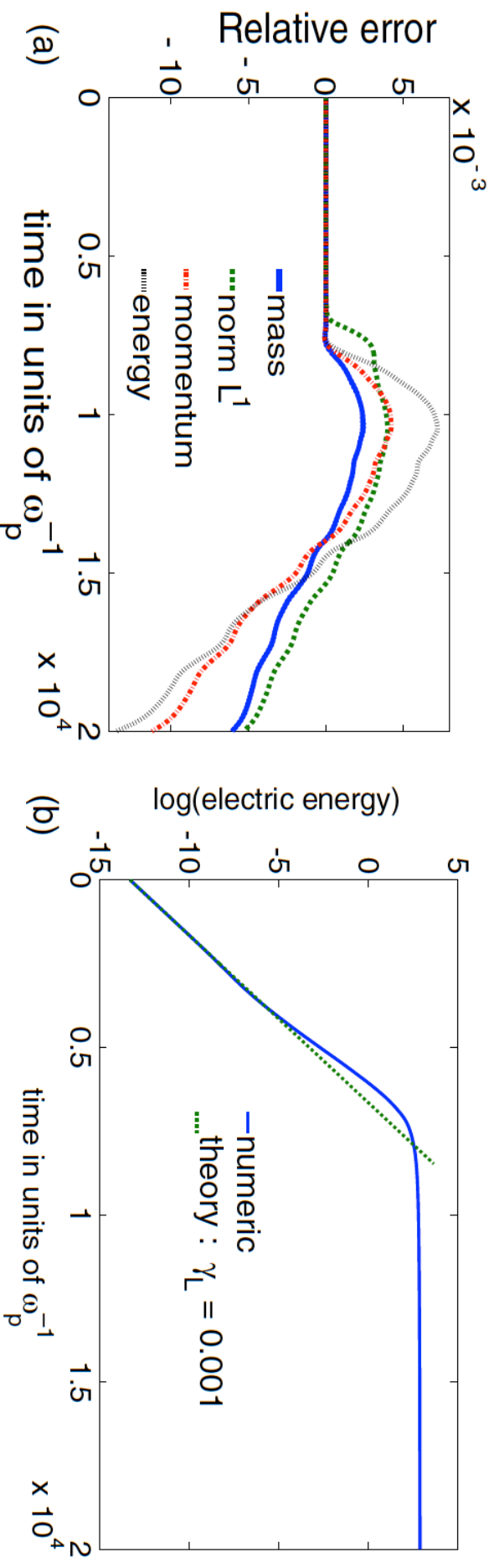


Figure 1. (a) Relative error in conservation laws. (b) Continuous blue line: logarithm of waves' total energy \mathfrak{E}_w ; dotted green line: extrapolation at initial linear rate. (Colour online.)

Waves evolution : QL ?

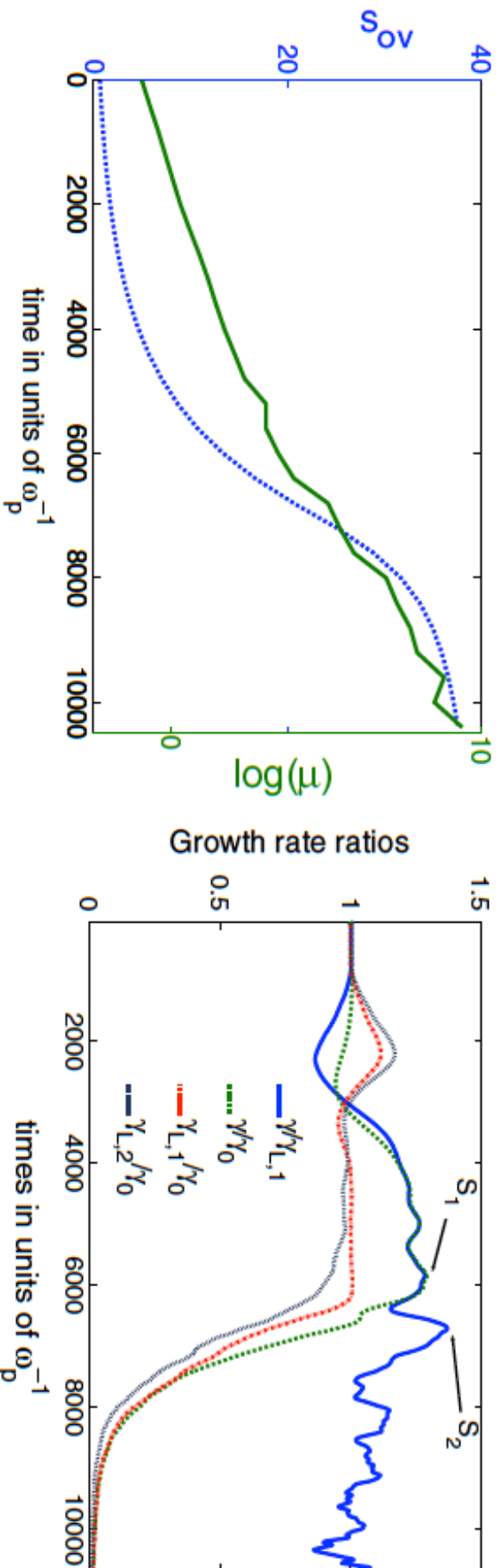


Figure 3. (Left) time evolution of nonlinearity parameters μ (continuous green line) and S_{ov} (dotted blue line). (Right) evolution of γ/γ_L , $\gamma/\gamma_L(0)$ and $\gamma_L/\gamma_L(0)$. Here the energy growth rate is $\gamma(t) = (2E_w(t))^{-1} dE_w(t)/dt$, where $E_w(t) = \sum_{m=10}^M |\zeta(t, v_m)|^2$ (with $v_{10} \simeq 0.9$). Two average Landau growth rates are plotted, namely $\gamma_{L,1}(t) = (\sum_{m=10}^M \Delta v_m)^{-1} \sum_{m=10}^M \gamma_L(t, v_m) \Delta v_m$ and $\gamma_{L,2}(t) = (\sum_{m=10}^M |\zeta(t, v_m)|^2)^{-1} \sum_{m=10}^M \gamma_L(t, v_m) |\zeta(t, v_m)|^2$. The initial value is $\gamma_L(0) = 10^{-3}$.

Conclusion : three stages

- Initial quasilinear : weak nonlinearity, QL is OK
- Intermediate nonlinear : ??? (Doxas-Cary)
- Chaotic plateau : strongly nonlinear, QL is OK

(conclusions robust with respect to initial f)

Thank you !

Questions ?

Conservation laws (global)

$$\int_{\Lambda} f(t, x, v) \, dv \, dx = L,$$

the rescaled total momentum

$$\int_{\Lambda} v f(t, x, v) \, dv \, dx + L \sum_{m=1}^M k_m \frac{|\zeta_m|^2}{2} = L\mathfrak{P},$$

and the rescaled total energy

$$\int_{\Lambda} \left(\frac{v^2}{2} - \varepsilon \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{m=1}^M \frac{\beta_m}{k_m} \zeta_m e^{i(k_m x - \omega_m t)} \right) \right) f(t, x, v) \, dv \, dx + L \sum_{m=1}^M \omega_m \frac{|\zeta_m|^2}{2} = L\mathfrak{E}.$$

Momentum and energy exchange

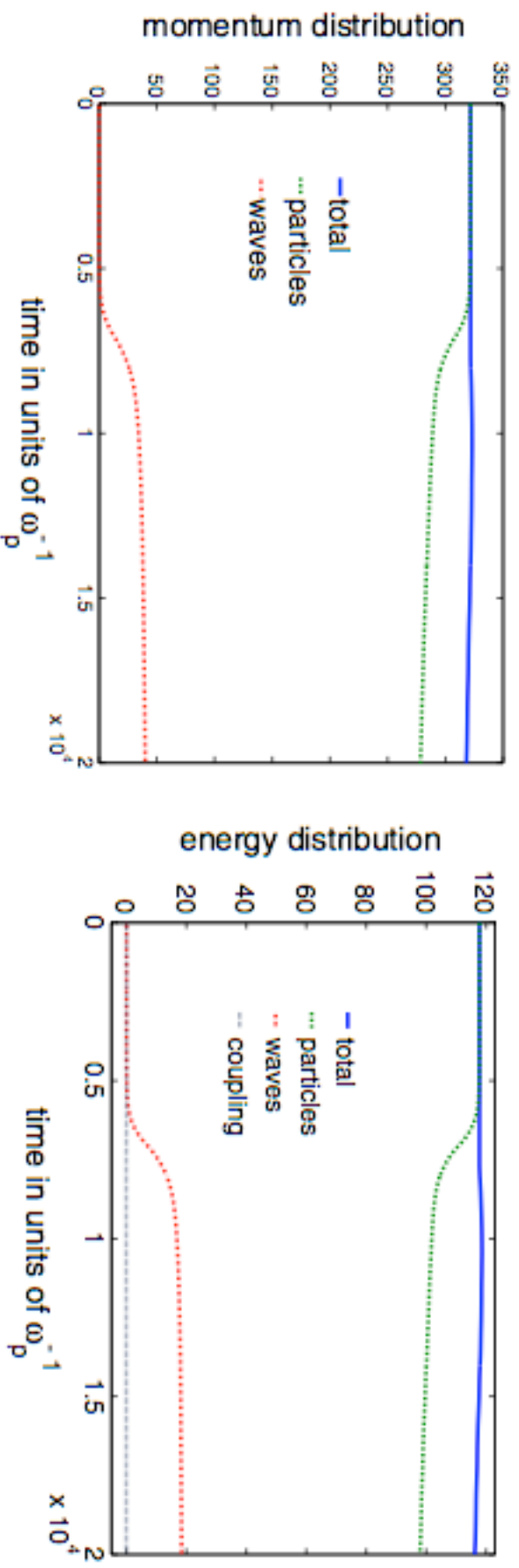


Figure 2. Sharing of momentum and energy between particles (green), waves (red) and coupling (light blue). (Colour online.)