

Simulations of Stochastic fluid dynamics near the QCD critical point

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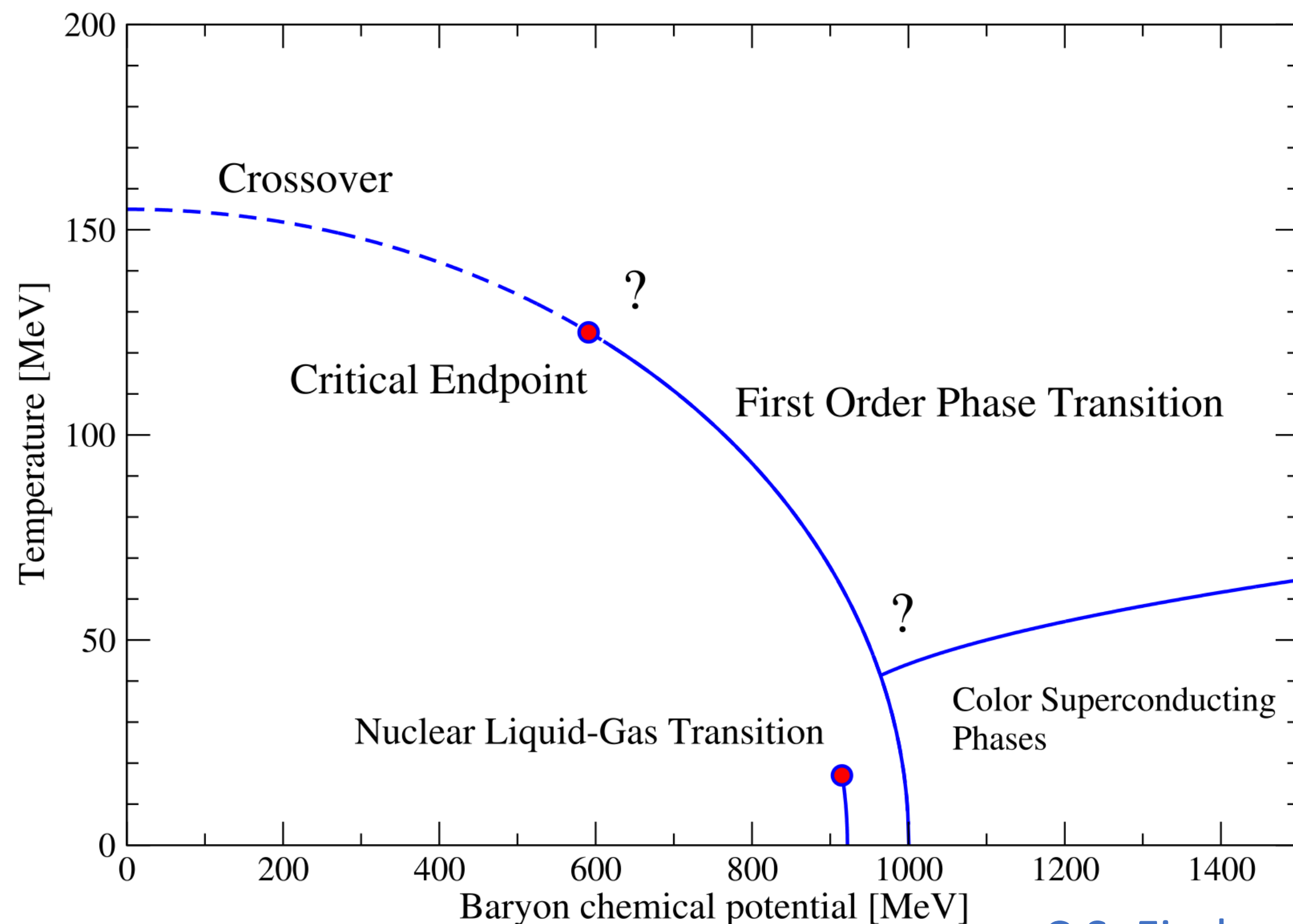
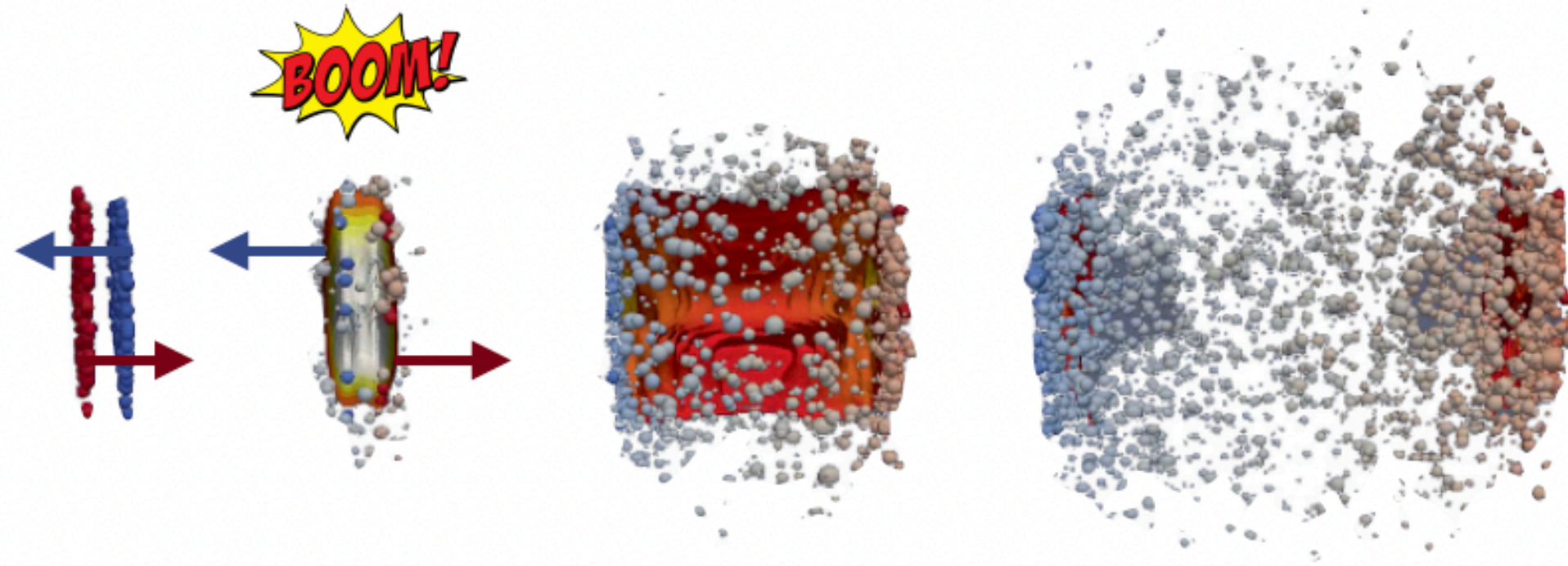
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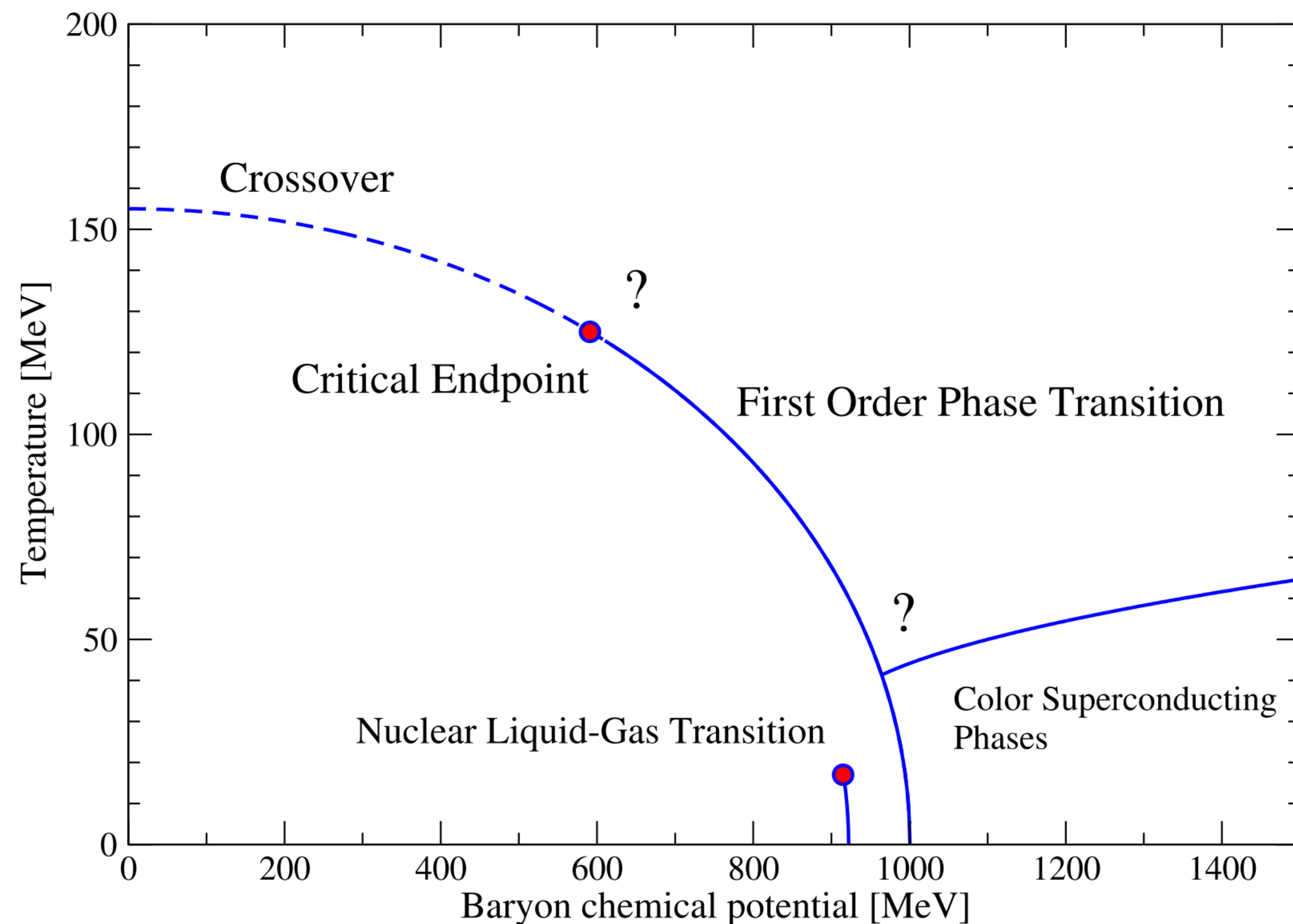
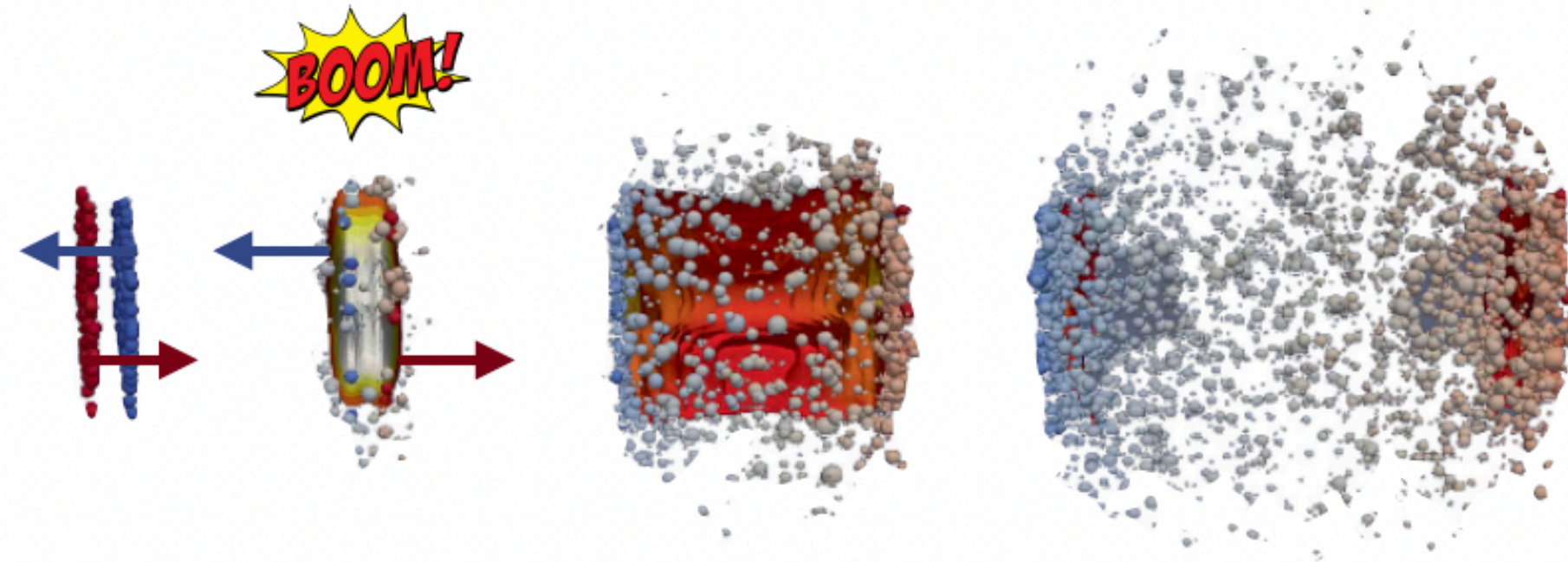
In collaboration with Josh Ott, Vladimir Skokov, and Thomas Schaefer

Introduction



- Long-term goal: Identify signatures of a possible critical end point of QCD using heavy-ion collisions.
- Near a critical point, **fluctuations** become dominant. But fluctuations **not equilibrated** as fireball is rapidly expanding.
- Need for a **dynamical** theory of **critical fluctuations**.
- Fluid dynamics should still be applicable, but with appropriate modifications:
 - Inclusion of **thermal fluctuations**, slow dynamics of **order parameter**, and **criticality** in equation of state.

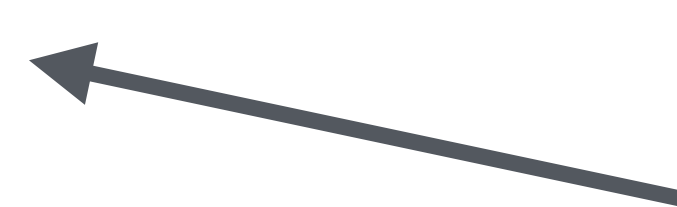
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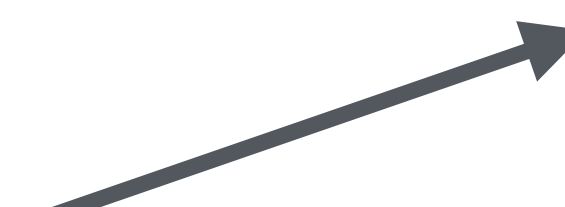
- Dynamics of critical fluctuations are **universal**.
- Hence, study QCD critical dynamics using the simplest system from the same dynamic **universality class**.
- Universality class depends on
 - Order parameter being **conserved/non-conserved**.
 - **Coupling** of order parameter to other **slow modes**, eg, hydrodynamic modes.
- QCD critical point shares the same static universality class as the 3d Ising Model

The basic idea

- The properties of a fluid are defined by **slow, macroscopic** degrees of freedom: **conserved densities**, i.e., densities of energy, momentum, or any conserved charge.
- If a fluid is near a critical point, the dynamics of its **order parameter** becomes slow (**critical slowing down**). Must be included in the hydrodynamic description. **Hohenberg & Halperin**
- These macroscopic fields **fluctuate** as they couple to microscopic degrees of freedom.
- The theory to be solved is then **stochastic hydrodynamics** coupled to an **order parameter**.
 - Such theories are classified by **Hohenberg & Halperin**: purely relaxational dynamics (**Model A**), critical diffusion (**Model B**), critical anti-ferromagnet (**Model G**), critical diffusion coupled to Navier-Stokes (**Model H**).



relevant to QCD



Rajagopal and Wilczek

Son and Stephanov

Previous works

- Use framework of [non-critical](#) stochastic hydro and include [criticality](#) in EOS and [transport coefficients](#).
 - [Deterministic approaches](#): The above framework can be used in [linearized](#) regime to write deterministic eqs for n-point equal time functions: [Hydro+](#), [Hydro++](#), [hydro-kinetics](#).
[Stephanov, Yin, X. An, Akamatsu, Teaney, Mazeliaukas, F. Yan, H. U. Yee, Martinez, Schaefer...](#)
 - Extend them to critical regime by replacing susceptibilities and relaxation-rates by their critical expectations. Numerical studies of [one-dimensional expanding](#) systems.
[M. Nahrgang et al., G. Pihan et al. , M. Bluhm, L. Du, Heinz and others](#)
- Use of ϵ -expansions, functional renormalization group. [Berges, Schlichting et al, Schweitzer, von Smekal, Chen, Tan, Fu, Roth, Ye](#)
- Not many studies of direct simulation of critical fluid dynamics. A novel approach to simulate stochastic dynamics based on Metropolis has been recently formulated.
[Florio, Grossi, Soloviev, Teaney, Schaefer, Skokov, Basar, Bhambure, Singh, Newhall et al](#)

Outline of this talk

- Main goal: Discuss numerical simulations of [Model H](#), i.e., critical dynamics of a conserved order parameter coupled to fluid dynamic variables.
- Part I: critical diffusion of a conserved order parameter ([Model B](#))
 - Simulation of diffusive dynamics using a [Metropolis algorithm](#)
 - [Dynamic scaling](#) in Model B
- Part II: Coupling of the conserved order parameter to hydrodynamic modes ([Model H](#))
 - Modification to [dynamic scaling](#) behavior compared to Model B
 - Renormalization of [shear viscosity](#) of the fluid

- Part I: critical diffusion of a conserved order parameter (Model B)

Based on C.C., J. Ott, T. Schaefer, V. Skokov
(PRD 108 (2023) 074004)

Model B

- Consider the Ising model. Coarse grain the spin (microscopic) degrees of freedom to obtain an **order parameter** $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ (magnetization density).
- The statics of the system near the critical point (small ϕ) is governed by an effective free-energy functional (**Ginzburg-Landau**)

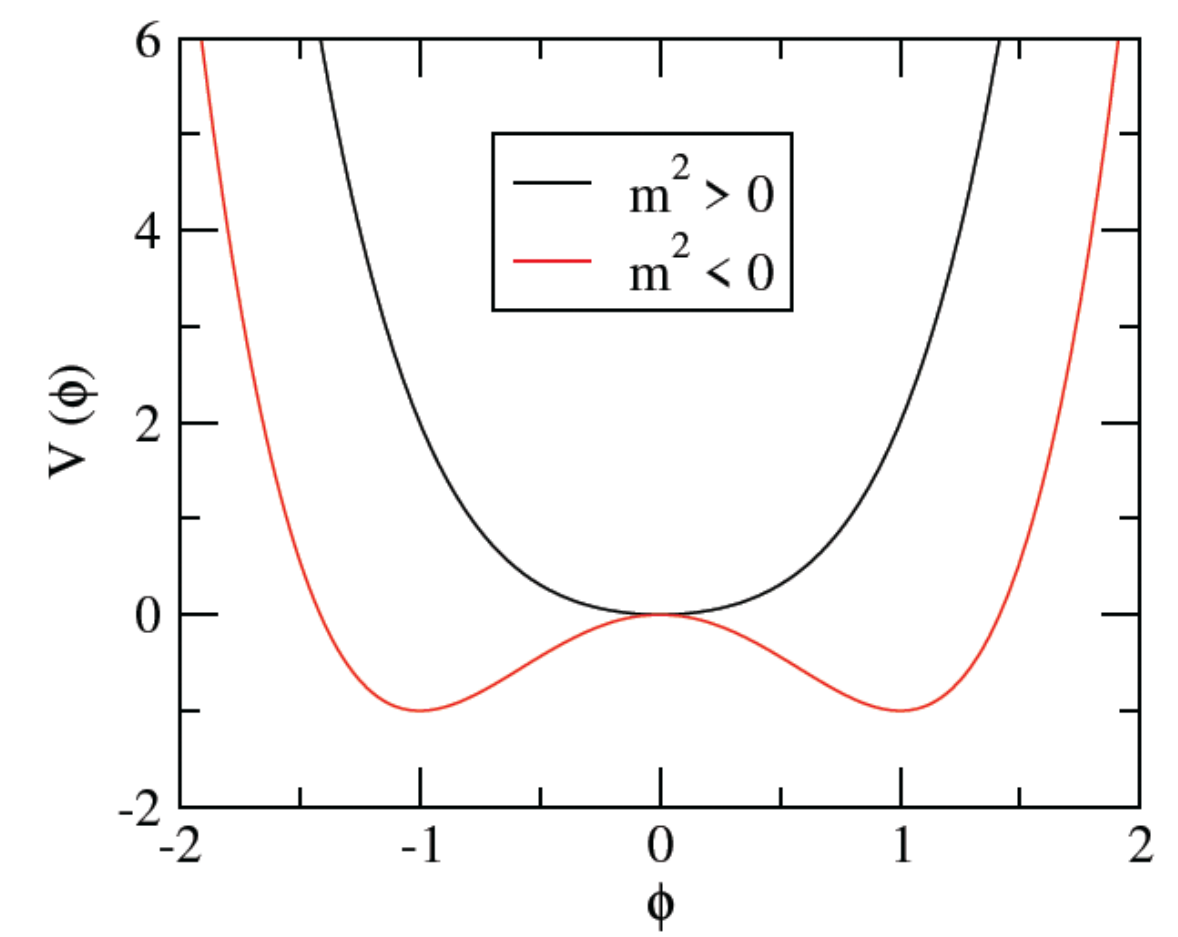
$$F[\phi] = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 \right]$$

- Dynamics: If the order parameter is **conserved**, its evolution may be modeled as

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0, \quad \text{the current}$$

$$\vec{j} = -\Gamma \vec{\nabla} \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \vec{\xi}$$

Diffusion
Noise



Noise ensures **fluctuation-dissipation**

$$\langle \xi^i(t, \vec{x}) \xi^j(t', \vec{x}') \rangle = 2\Gamma T \delta^{ij} \delta(t - t') \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')$$

Model B in mean-field approximation

- In the free-energy functional set $\lambda = 0$

$$F[\phi] = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 \right]$$

- Evolution of ϕ becomes linear. The equal-time correlator $N_k(t) = \langle \phi(t, \vec{k}) \phi(t, -\vec{k}) \rangle$ satisfies

$$\frac{\partial N_k}{\partial t} = -2\Gamma_k(N_k - N_k^{eq})$$

Equilibrium correlator $N_k^{eq} = \frac{T}{k^2 + m^2}$ and relaxation-rate $\Gamma_k = \Gamma k^2(k^2 + m^2)$

- Near $m^2 = 0$, mean-field predicts $\Gamma_k \sim k^z$ with a dynamic exponent $z = 4$.
- Later: interactions, coupling of ϕ to hydro modes lead to modifications from $z = 4$.

Model B: the non-linear case

- Interactions **renormalize** m^2 . For chosen values of (T, λ) it is possible to tune m^2 to hit the **critical point**.

$$F[\phi] = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 \right]$$

- To determine m_c^2 for an infinite system from **finite volume** calculations. Quantities like $\langle M^2 \rangle$, $\langle M^4 \rangle$ show peaks whose location depends on L .
- At the true critical point, leading order finite volume effects on the **Binder cumulant** U cancel
$$U \equiv 1 - \frac{\langle M^4 \rangle}{3(\langle M^2 \rangle)^2}$$
- Model B configs have **long thermalization time** $\tau_R \sim L^z$ with $z \approx 4$.
- Determine m_c^2 using **Model A** (purely relaxational dynamics), lies in same static universality class, easier to thermalize $\tau_R \sim L^2$. **T. Schaefer and V. Skokov PRD 014006 (2022)**

Metropolis step for Model B

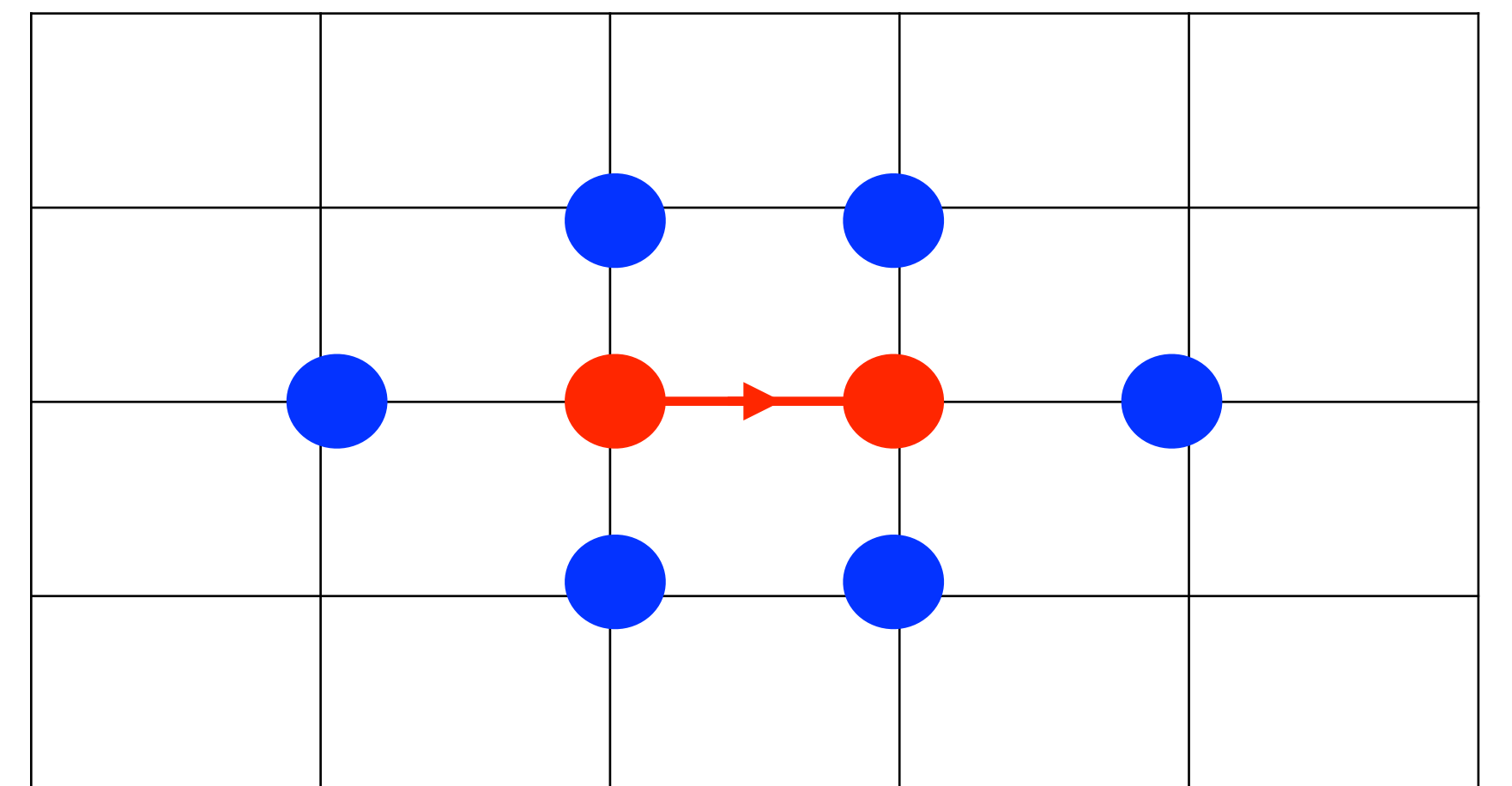
- Choose **trial updates** at \vec{x} and $\vec{x} + \hat{\mu}$ (conserves ϕ)

$$\phi^{\text{trial}}(t + \Delta t, \vec{x}) = \phi(t, \vec{x}) - q_{\mu}, \quad \phi^{\text{trial}}(t + \Delta t, \vec{x} + \hat{\mu}) = \phi(t, \vec{x} + \hat{\mu}) + q_{\mu}$$

$$q_{\mu} = \sqrt{2\Gamma T \Delta t} \xi_{\mu}$$

- Compute the **change in free energy** due to these updates

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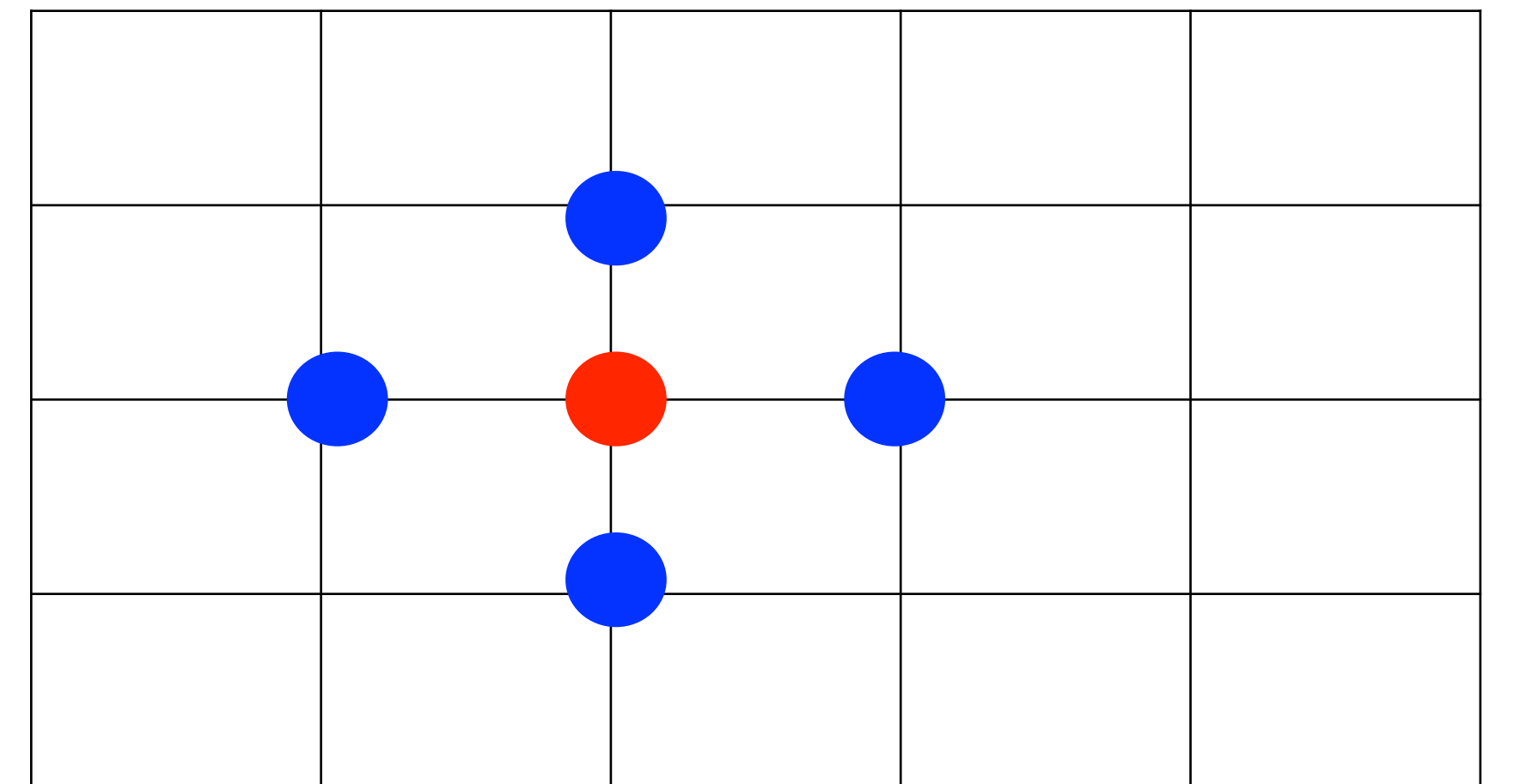
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$$\Delta F(x) = \left(d + \frac{m^2}{2} \right) (\phi_{\text{trial}}^2(x) - \phi^2(x)) + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi_{\text{trial}}^4(x) - \phi^4(x))$$

$$- (\phi_{\text{trial}}(x) - \phi(x)) \sum_{\hat{\mu}=1}^d (\phi(x + \hat{\mu}) - \phi(x - \hat{\mu}))$$



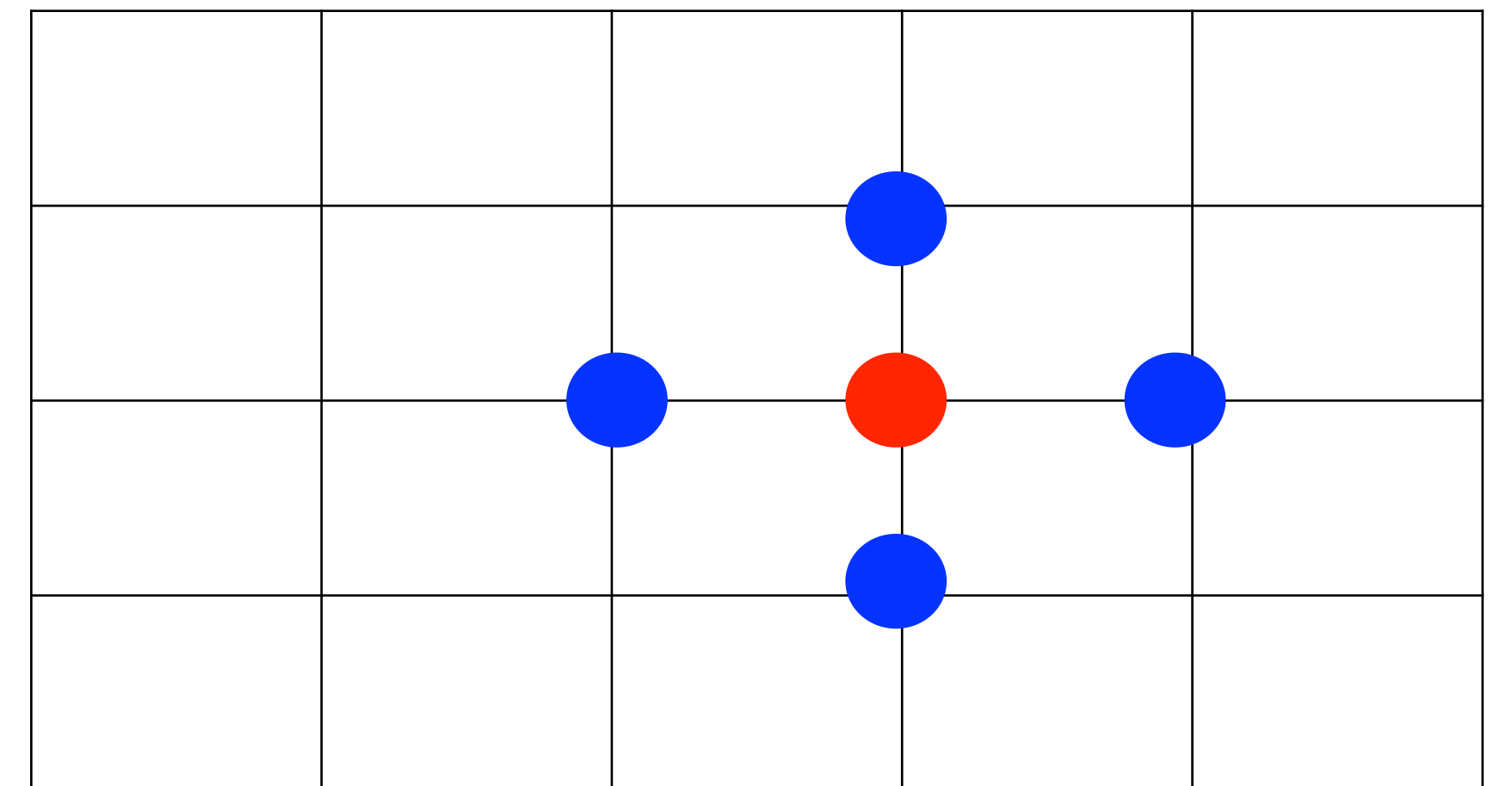
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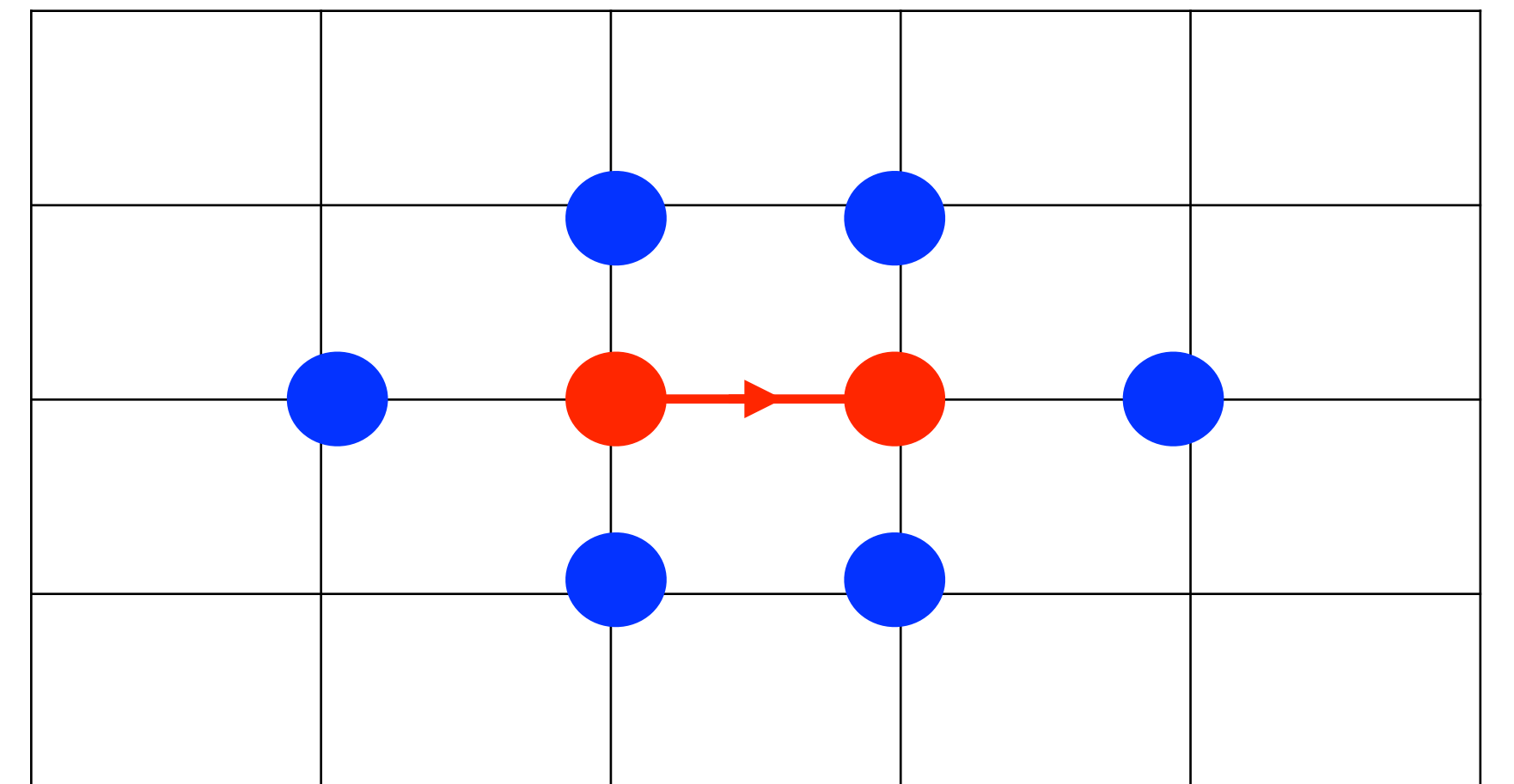
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- Accept with probability $P = \min(1, \exp(-\Delta F/T))$



The Metropolis scheme

- The Metropolis update reproduces the **flux on average**, and also its **variance**

$$\langle \vec{q} \rangle = - \Delta t \Gamma \vec{\nabla} \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$$

$$\langle \vec{q}^2 \rangle = 2\Gamma T \Delta t + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$$

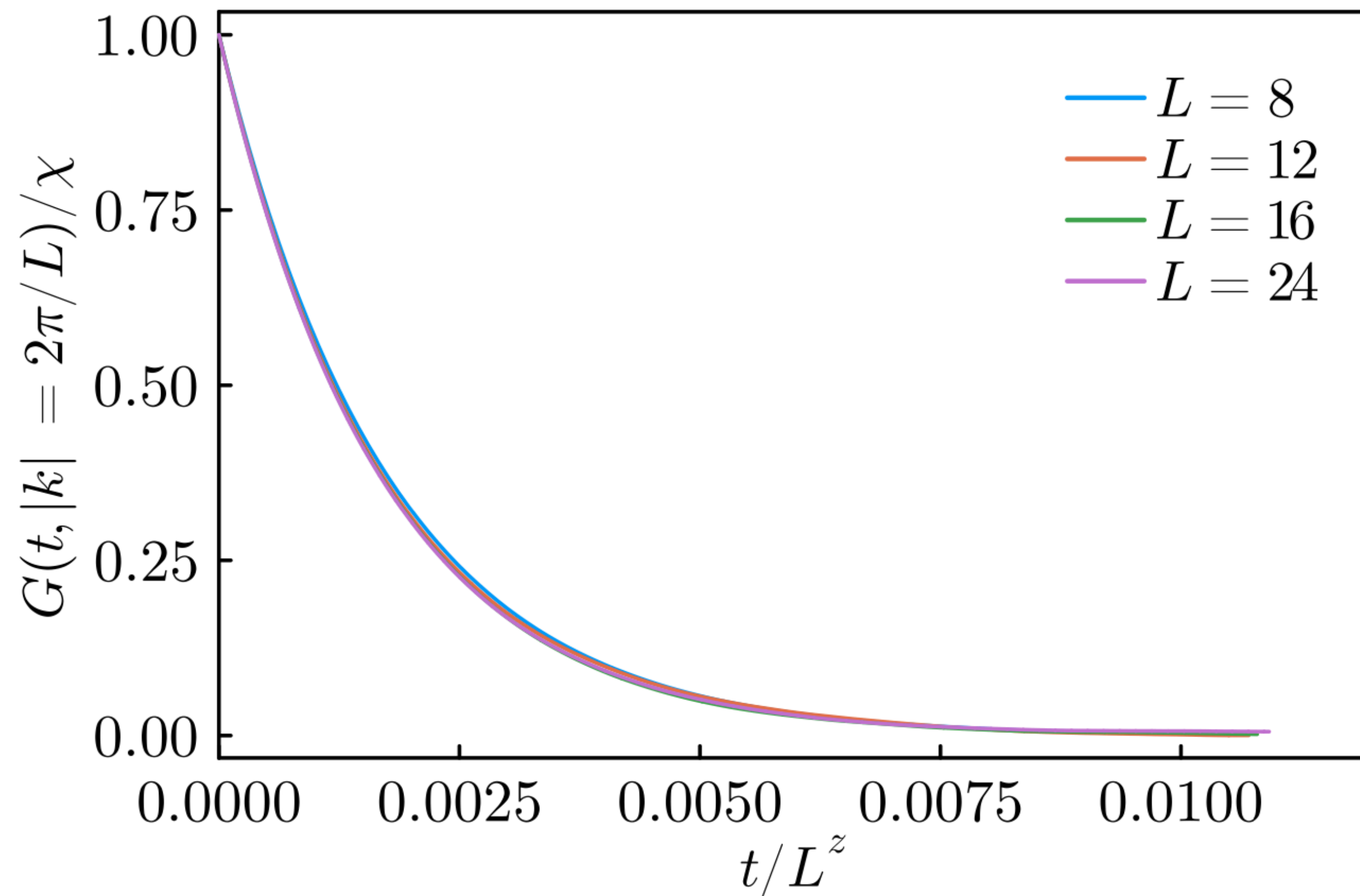
- Probability of a new configuration,

$$P(\phi(t, \vec{x}) \rightarrow \phi^{new}(t, \vec{x})) \sim \exp[-(F[\phi^{new}] - F[\phi])]$$

irrespective of order of updates.

- The **equilibrium distribution** $\exp(-F[\phi]/T)$ is sampled even if Δt is not small.
- If Δt is not small, the diffusion eq. is approximately realized.

Results: Dynamic scaling



Data collapse occurs for $z \approx 3.97$. Theoretical expectation $z = 4 - \eta, \eta \approx 0.03$

- **Scaling Hypothesis:** Near a critical point the dynamic correlator, $\langle \phi(0, k) \phi(t, -k) \rangle$

$$G(t, k) = \tilde{G}(t/\xi^z, k\xi)$$

\tilde{G} is a **universal function**.

- At the critical point $\xi \sim L$, thus $G(t, k)$ obtained in **different volumes should collapse**

$$G(t, k = 2\pi/L) \rightarrow \tilde{G}\left(\frac{t}{L^z}, 2\pi\right)$$

if time is scaled by L^z .

- z is the **dynamic scaling exponent**

- Part II: Coupling of the conserved order parameter to hydrodynamic modes (Model H)

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Coupling to a fluid (Model H)

- Couple the order parameter ϕ to a fluid's momentum density $\vec{\pi}$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \Gamma \nabla^2 \frac{\delta H}{\delta \phi} - \left(\nabla \phi \cdot \frac{\delta H}{\delta \vec{\pi}_T} \right) + \zeta$$

diffusion advection noise

- Stochastic evolution equation of the momentum density

$$\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} = \eta \nabla^2 \frac{\delta H}{\delta \vec{\pi}_T} + \left(\vec{\nabla} \phi \right) \cdot \frac{\delta H}{\delta \phi} - \left(\frac{\delta H}{\delta \vec{\pi}_T} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \vec{\pi}_T + \vec{\xi}$$

diffusion Stress energy of ϕ advection noise

- The Hamiltonian
$$H = \int d^3x \left[\frac{\vec{\pi}_T^2}{2\rho} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\vec{\nabla} \phi \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 \right]$$

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For purposes of determining z It suffices to choose

- Non-relativistic fluid
- The momentum density is transverse $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\pi} = 0$

There are shear waves but no sound. No coupling to energy density or pressure.

Model H (deterministic part)

- Let's consider only the **non-dissipative** part of the equations

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \phi = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \vec{\pi}_T = \vec{\nabla} \phi \vec{\nabla}^2 \phi \quad \leftarrow \text{Third-order term, goes beyond usual Navier-Stokes}$$

The third-order term is necessary for **conserving energy**

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = \int d^3x \left[\dot{\vec{\pi}}_T \cdot \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} - \dot{\phi} \nabla^2 \phi + V'(\phi) \dot{\phi} \right] = 0$$

where the equations of motion have been used along with standard continuum manipulations

$$\int_x V'(\phi) \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \nabla \phi = \int_x \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} V(\phi) \right) = 0 \quad \frac{\pi_i^T}{\rho} \left(\frac{\pi_i^T}{\rho} \nabla_j \right) \pi_i^T = \nabla_i \left(\frac{\pi_i^T}{\rho} \frac{\pi_T^2}{2\rho} \right)$$

- These **continuum manipulations** are not necessarily allowed in the **discretized theory**.

Model H numerics (deterministic part)

- The equations in manifestly conserving form $\dot{\phi} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \phi \right) \quad \dot{\pi}_i^T = -P_{ij}^T \nabla_k \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \pi_T^k \pi_T^j + \nabla_k \nabla_j \phi \right)$

- Use a skew symmetric derivative for the non-linear term

Morinishi, Lund, Vasilyev, Moin,
Journal of computational physics
(143, 90 (1998))

$$\nabla_\mu \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \pi_\mu^T \pi_\nu^T \right) \Big|_{skew} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \nabla_\mu \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \pi_\mu^T \pi_\nu^T \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi_\mu^T}{\rho} \nabla_\mu \pi_\nu^T$$

along with a centred difference $\nabla_\mu^c \psi = (\psi(x + \hat{\mu}) - \psi(x - \hat{\mu}))/2$

- The discretized evolution equations:

$$\dot{\phi} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \pi_T^\mu \nabla_\mu^c \phi, \quad \dot{\pi}_T^\mu = - \left[\nabla_\mu \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \pi_\mu^T \pi_\nu^T \right) \Big|_{skew} + \left(\nabla_\mu^c \phi \right) \left(\nabla_\nu^c \nabla_\nu^c \phi \right) \right]$$

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conserves the kinetic energy of the system exactly:

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int d^3x \left[\frac{\pi_T^2}{2\rho} + \frac{(\nabla\phi)^2}{2} \right] = 0$$

- The equations are integrated in time using a Runge-Kutta scheme. After each step, project onto [transverse part](#) in Fourier space

$$\pi_\mu^T = P_{\mu\nu}^T \pi_\nu \quad P_{\mu\nu}^T = \delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\tilde{k}_\mu \tilde{k}_\nu}{\tilde{k}^2}$$

- Total energy conservation in the deterministic step is found to hold to very good accuracy.

Model H numerics (stochastic /dissipative part)

- For the fluctuating/dissipative part:

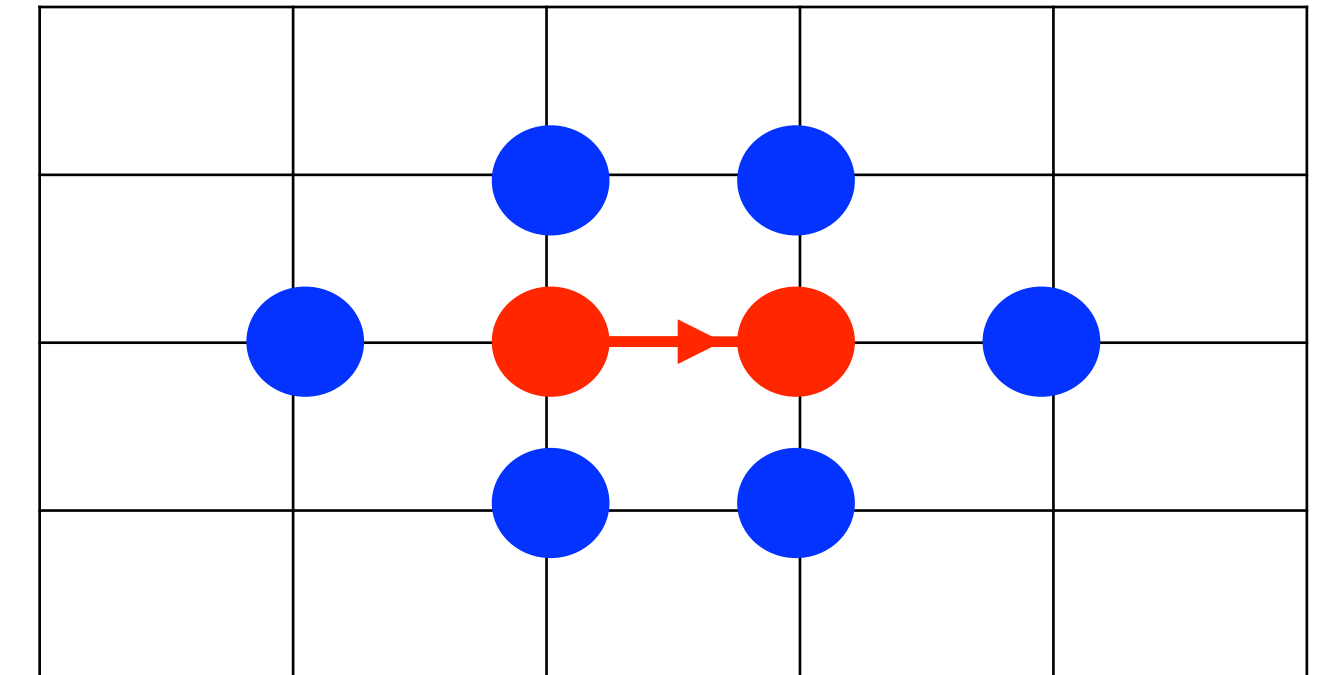
$$\phi^{\text{trial}}(t + \Delta t, \vec{x}) = \phi(t, \vec{x}) + q^\mu$$

$$q^\mu = \sqrt{2 T \Gamma \Delta t} \zeta_\mu$$

$$\phi^{\text{trial}}(t + \Delta t, \vec{x} + \hat{\mu}) = \phi(t, \vec{x} + \hat{\mu}) - q^\mu$$

$$\langle \zeta^\mu \zeta^\nu \rangle = \delta^{\mu\nu}$$

Same as Model B update



- Similarly for the momentum densities:

$$\pi_\mu^{\text{trial}}(t + \Delta t, \vec{x}) = \pi_\mu(t, \vec{x}) + r_\mu^{(\nu)}$$

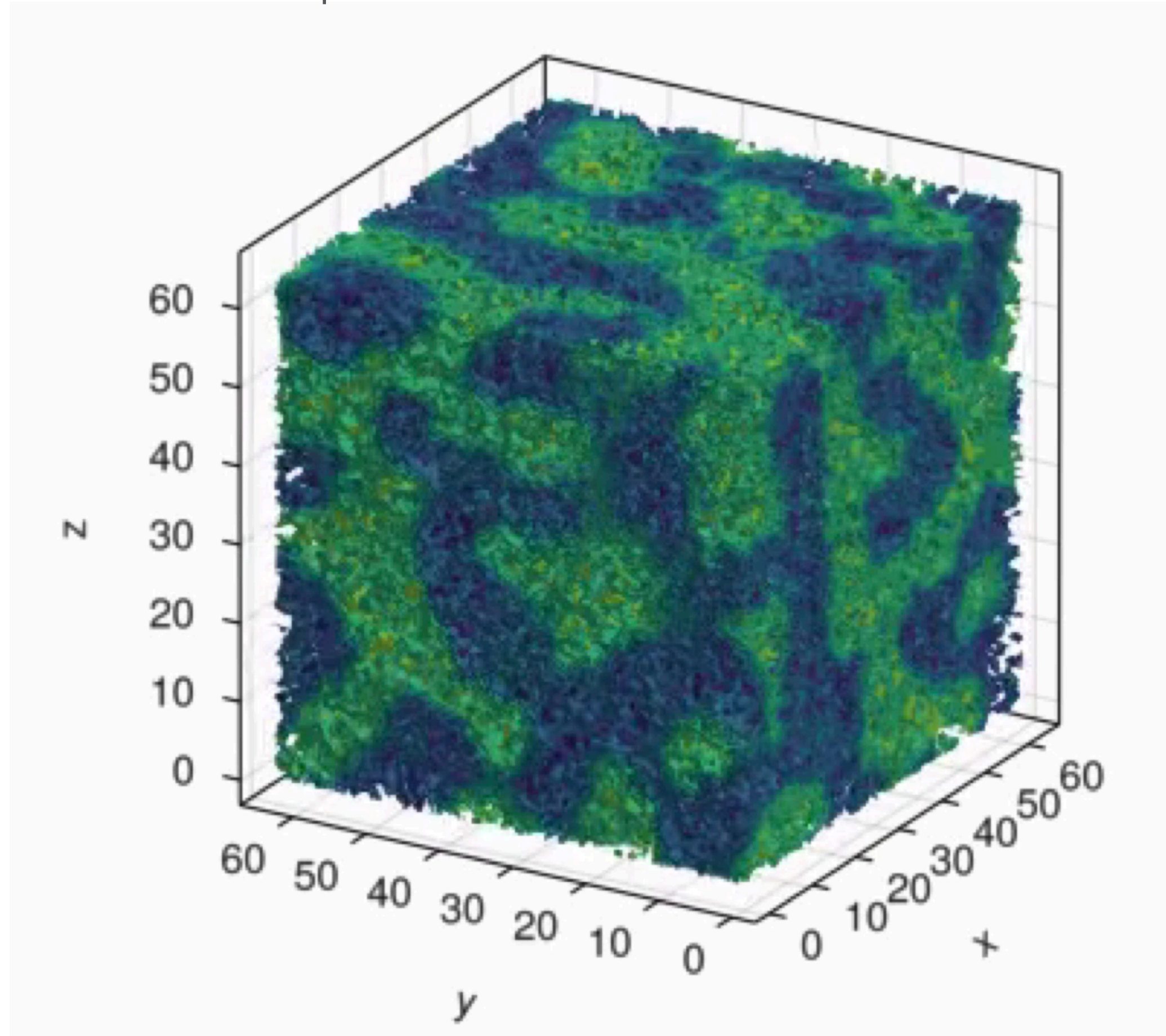
$$r_\mu^{(\nu)} = \sqrt{2\eta T \Delta t} \zeta_\mu^{(\nu)}$$

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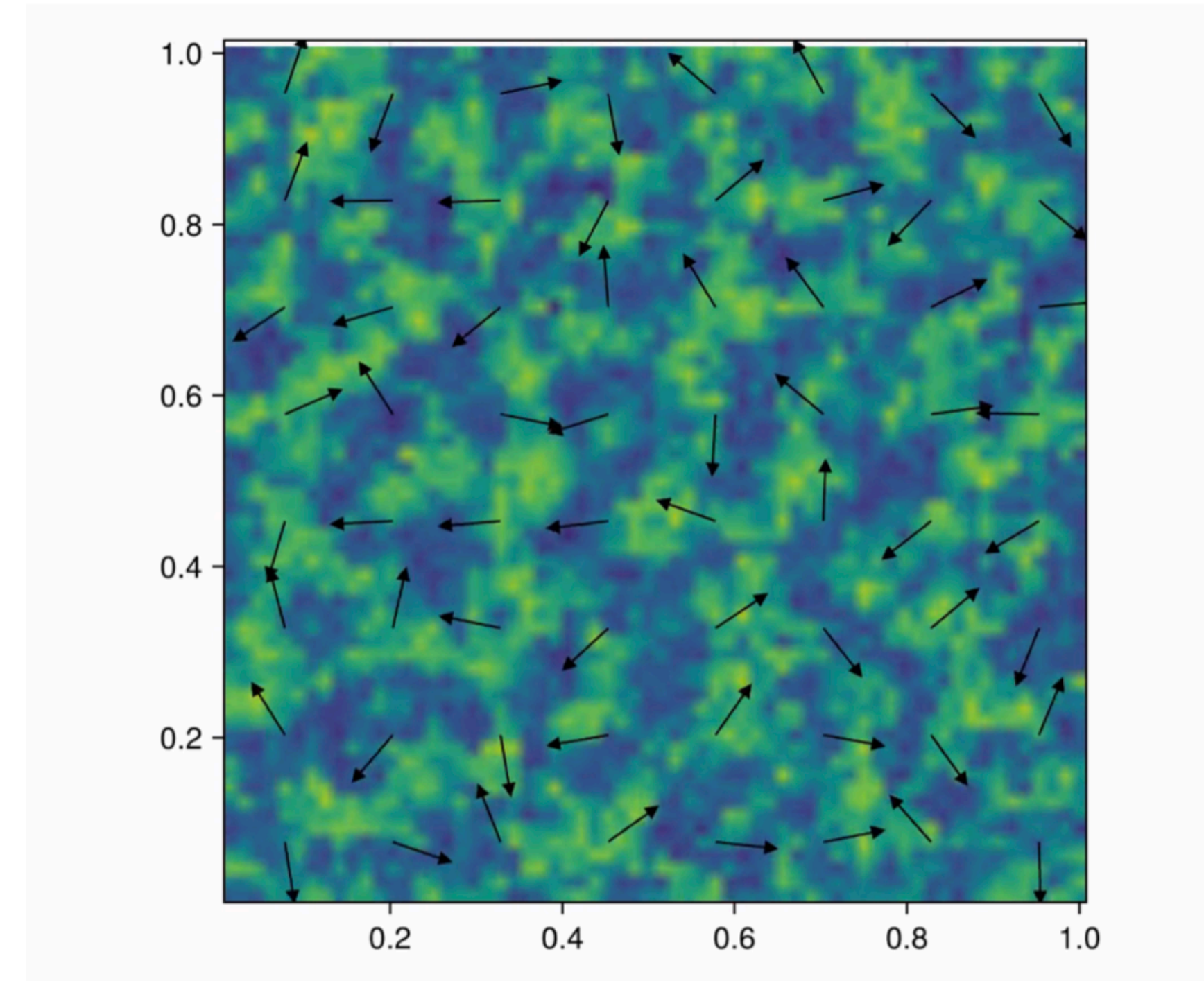
- Calculate change in energy. Accept/reject with $P = \min(1, \exp(-\Delta H/T))$

Model H simulations

Order parameter field in 3d



Order parameter + velocity field in 2d



Simulations by Josh Ott

Results: Dynamics of momentum density

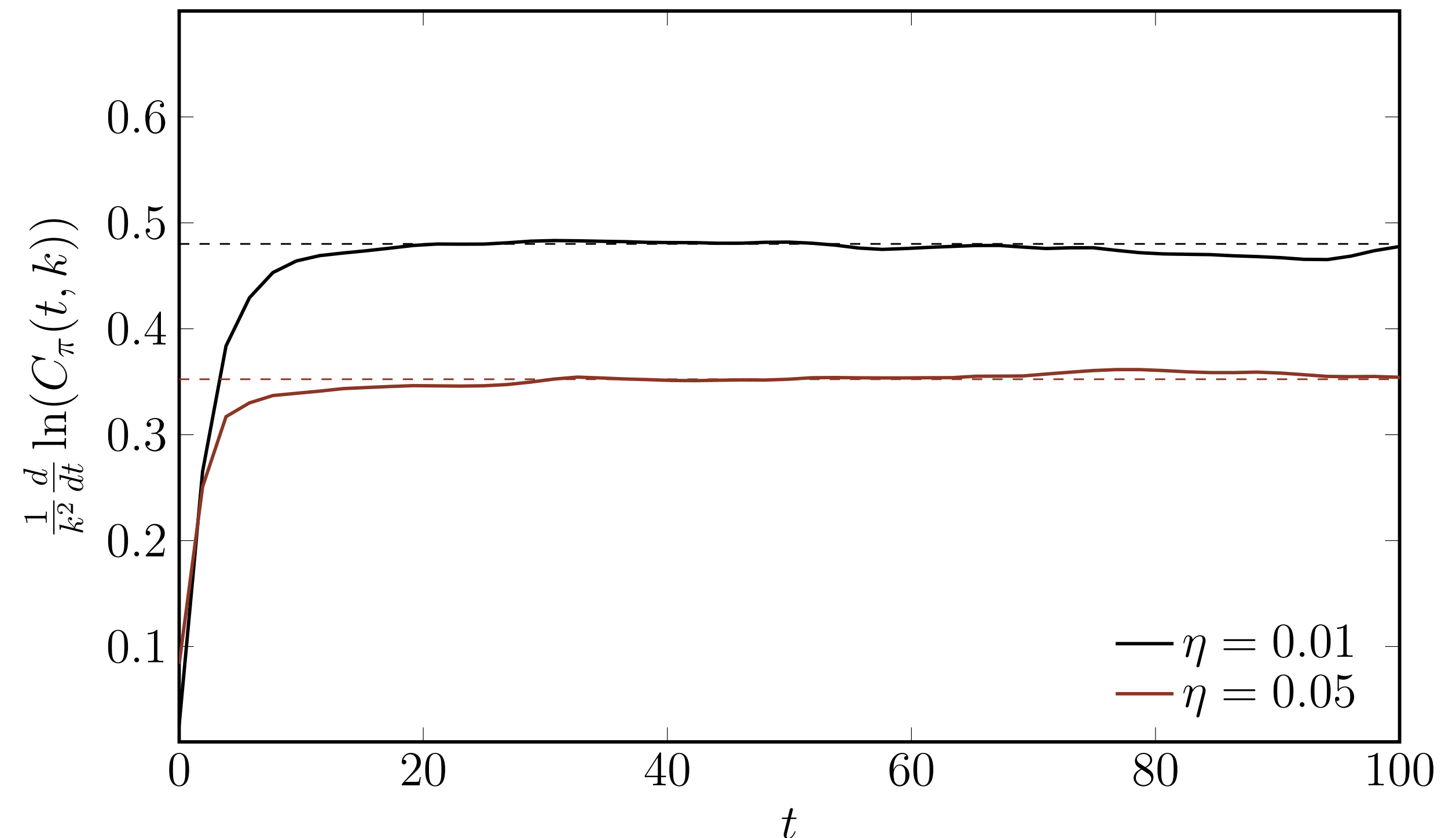
- Consider the **time-dependent correlation function** of the momentum density

$$\langle \pi_i^T(0, \vec{k}) \pi_j^T(0, -\vec{k}) \rangle \equiv C_{ij}(t, \vec{k}), \quad \text{where} \quad C_{ij}(t, \vec{k}) = \left(\delta_{ij} - \hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j \right) C_\pi(t, k)$$

- In **linearized hydrodynamics** $C_\pi(t, k) = \rho T \exp\left(-\frac{\eta}{\rho} k^2 t\right)$

- Compute $C_\pi(t, k)$ in Model H to extract **effective η**

- Thermal fluctuations** and **non-linear effects** modify linear hydro result (even away from T_c)



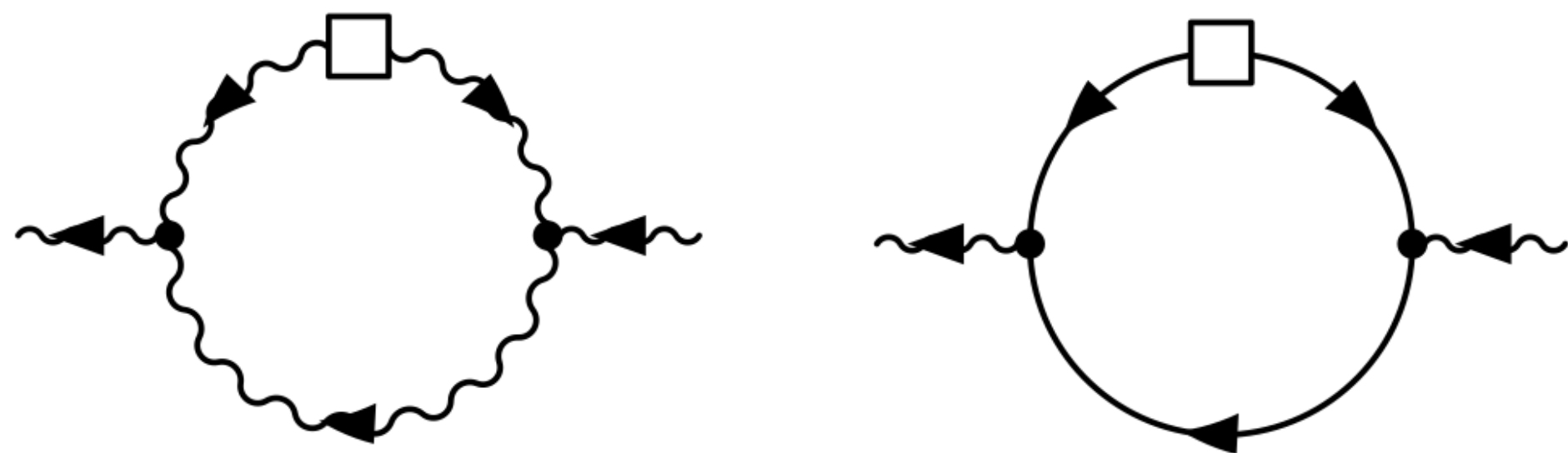
Dynamics: Loop corrections

Non-linear interactions between modes $\vec{\pi}_T, \phi$ can be represented diagrammatically

Green's functions for π_T 

Green's functions for ϕ 

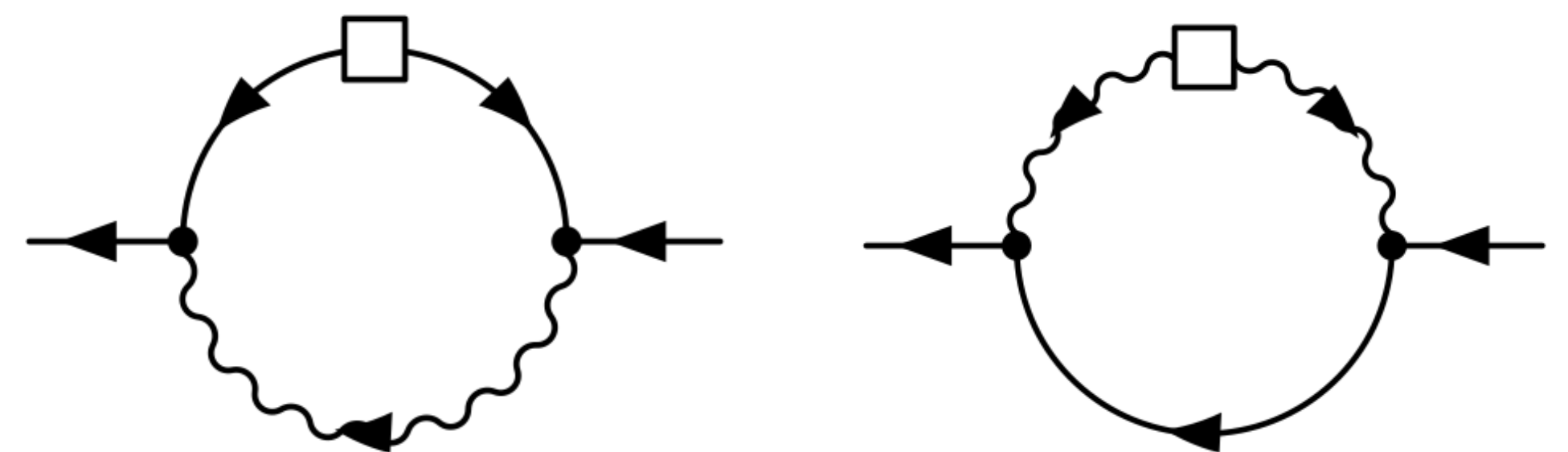
Corrections to **momentum** corr. function



Self-advection of π_T

Coupling of π_T to ϕ

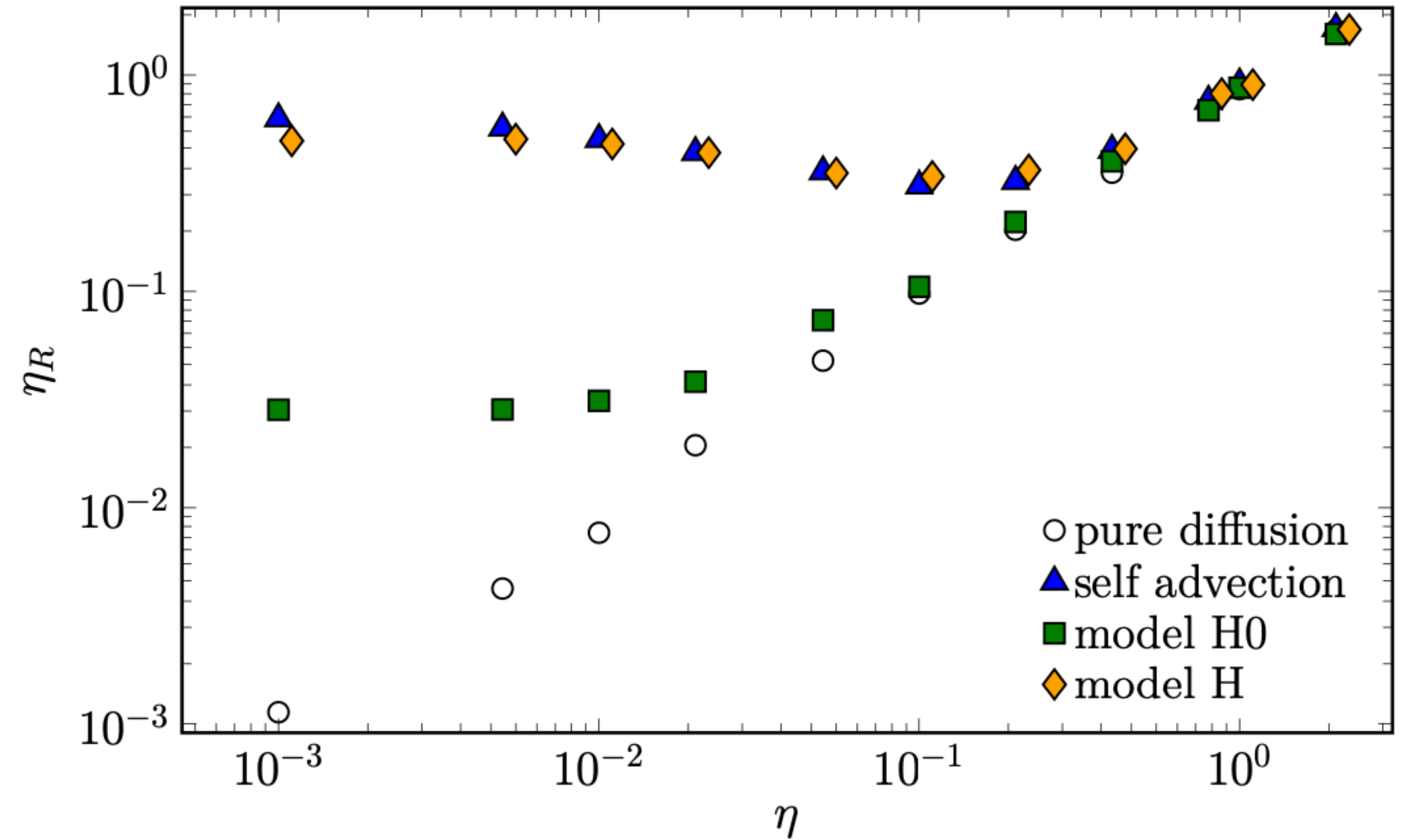
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Advection of ϕ by π_T

Renormalized viscosity

- For **pure diffusion**, the eq. is linear
- Effective viscosity becomes as small as the bare one

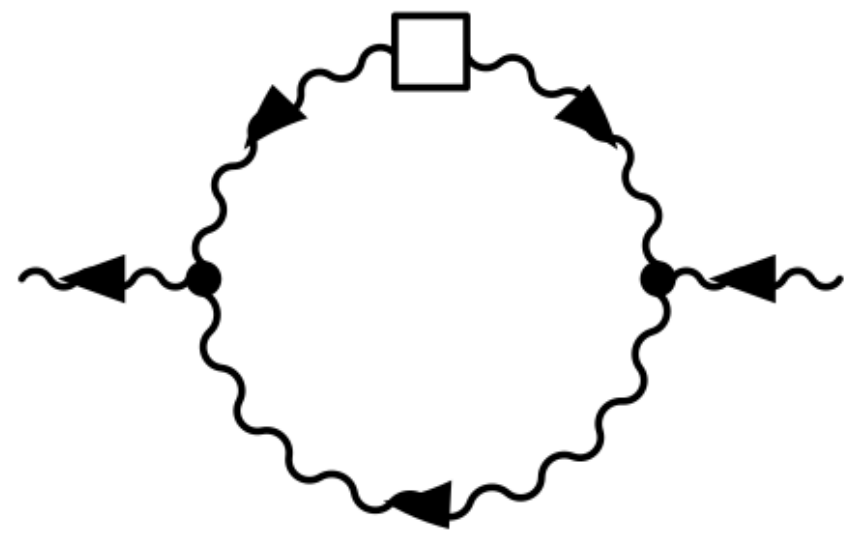


Pure-diffusion

$$\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \nabla \cdot \vec{\pi}_T = \frac{\eta}{\rho} \nabla^2 \vec{\pi}_T + \nabla \phi \nabla^2 \phi + \vec{\zeta}$$

Renormalized viscosity

The “stickiness of shear” Schaefer & Chafin



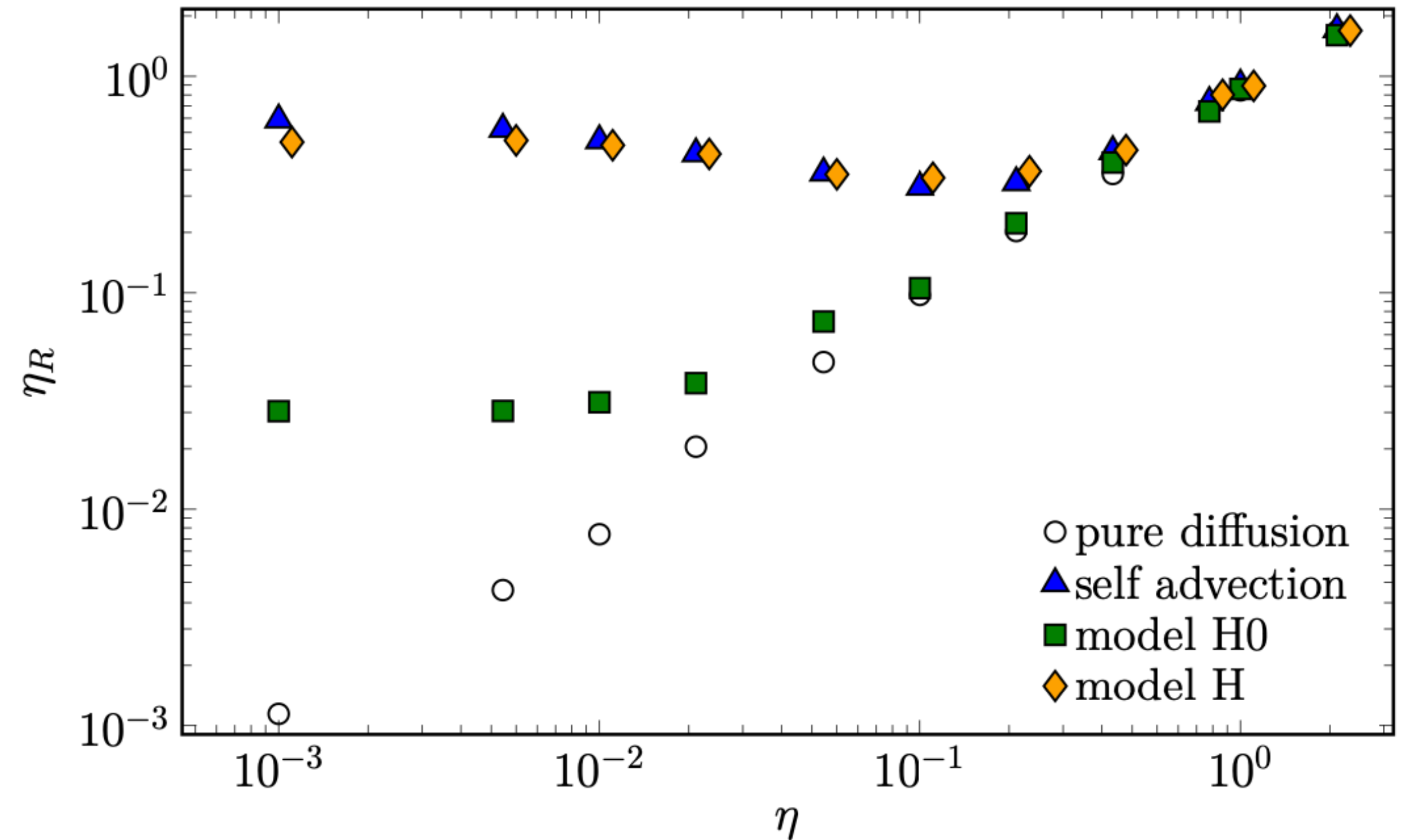
$$\eta_R = \eta + \frac{7}{60\pi^2} \frac{\rho T \Lambda}{\eta}$$

Effective viscosity levels off, then **increases**.

Thermal fluctuations + Non-linearity of hydro

⇒ shear viscosity has a **minimum**

Self-advection

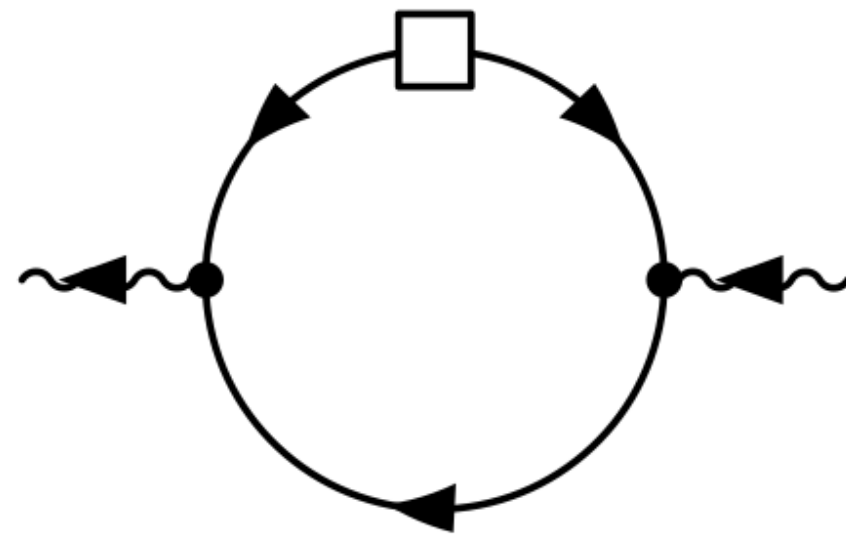


$$\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \vec{\pi}_T = \frac{\eta}{\rho} \nabla^2 \vec{\pi}_T + \vec{\nabla} \phi \nabla^2 \phi + \vec{\zeta}$$

In analogy to “stickiness of sound” Kovtun, Moore & Romatschke

Renormalized viscosity

The renormalization of η due to coupling to the order parameter

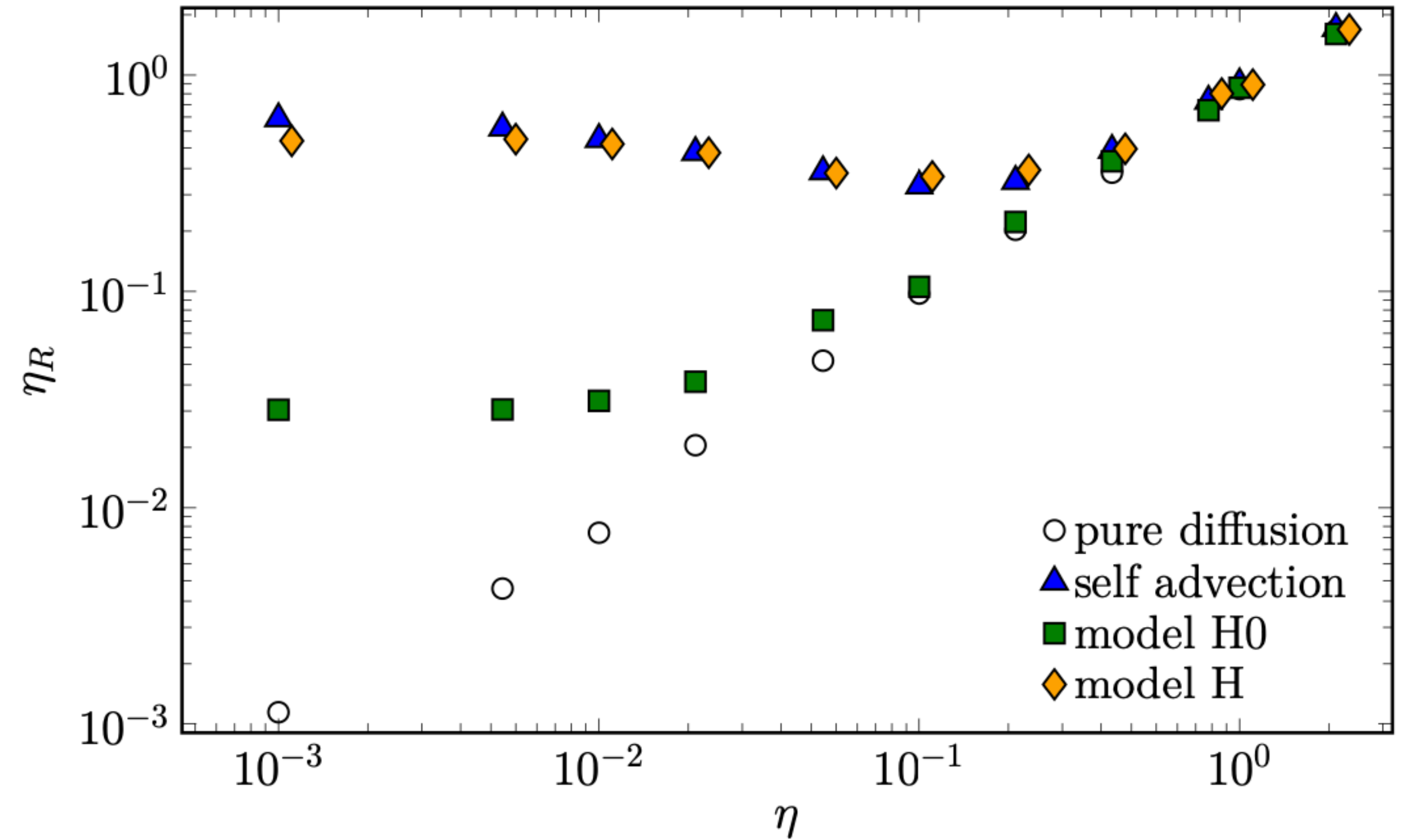


$$\eta_R = \eta + \frac{1}{160\pi} \frac{T\xi_0}{\Gamma}$$

Much smaller effect than self-advection

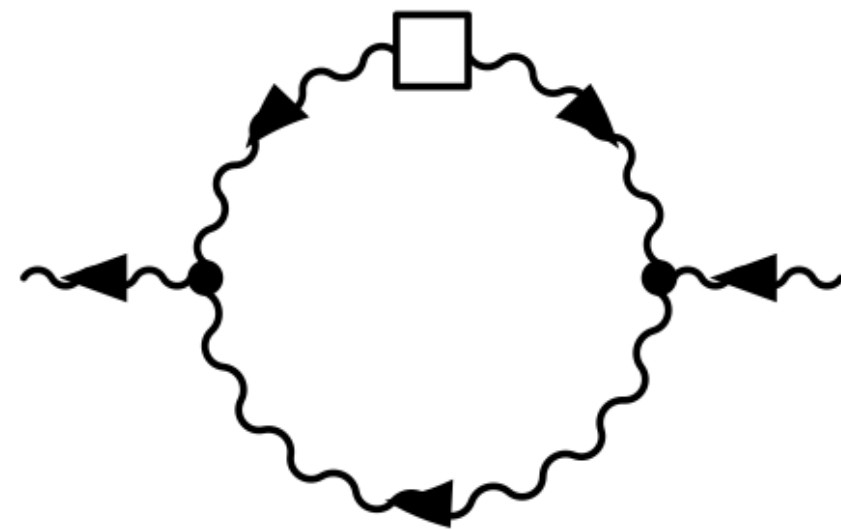
Model H0

$$\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \cancel{\frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \nabla \vec{\pi}_T} = \frac{\eta}{\rho} \nabla^2 \vec{\pi}_T + \vec{\nabla} \phi \nabla^2 \phi + \vec{\xi}$$



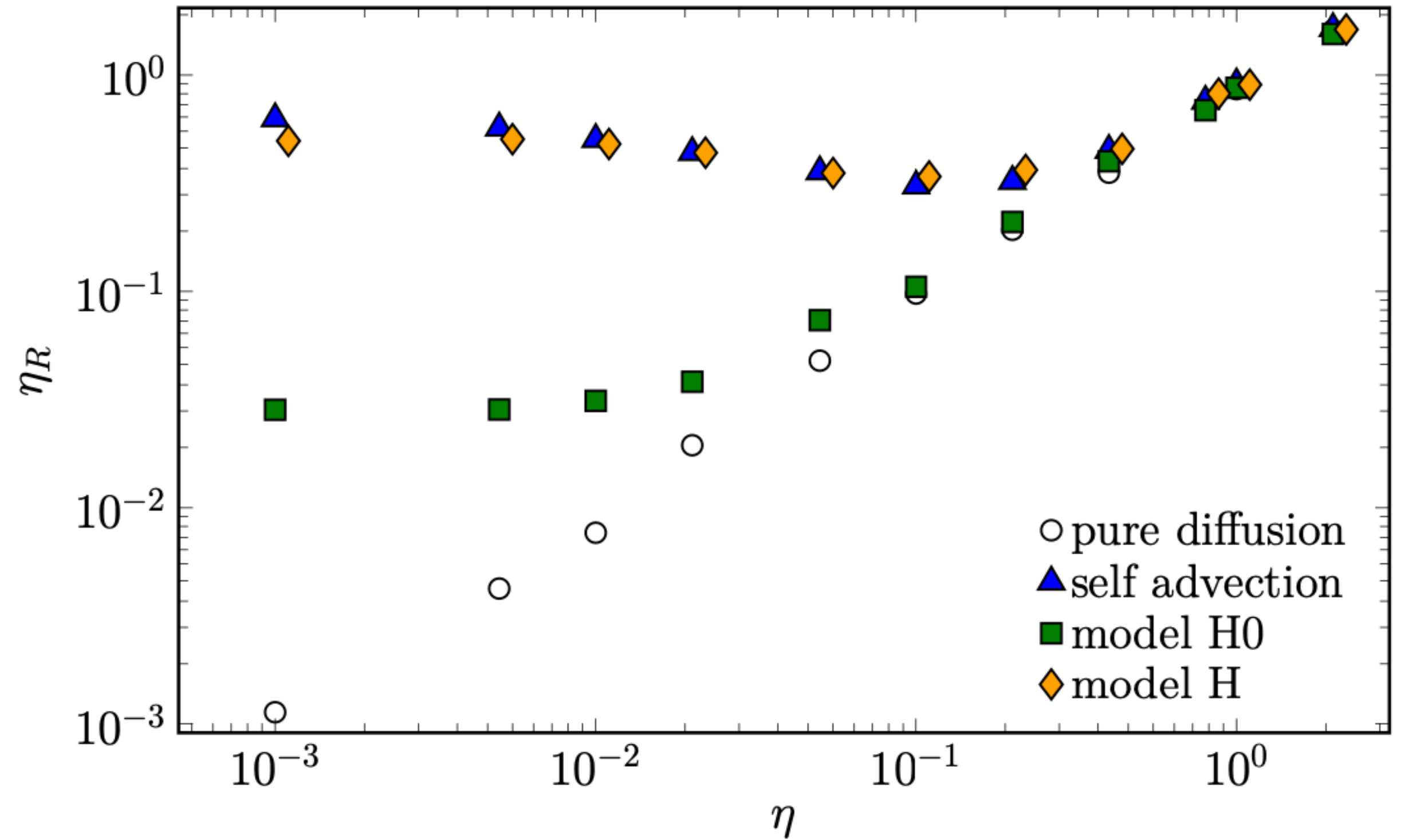
Renormalized viscosity

Model H effective viscosity dominated by self-advection of π_T



$$\eta_R = \eta + \frac{7}{60\pi^2} \frac{\rho T \Lambda}{\eta}$$

Model H



$$\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \vec{\pi}_T = \frac{\eta}{\rho} \nabla^2 \vec{\pi}_T + \vec{\nabla} \phi \nabla^2 \phi + \vec{\xi}$$

Dynamics: Order parameter

- Using the time dependent correlation function of the order parameter

$$C(t, \vec{k}) = \langle \phi(0, \vec{k}) \phi(t, -\vec{k}) \rangle$$

a wave-number dependent relaxation rate is defined $C(t, \vec{k}) \sim \exp(-\Gamma_k t)$

- A model for Γ_k was proposed by Kawasaki:

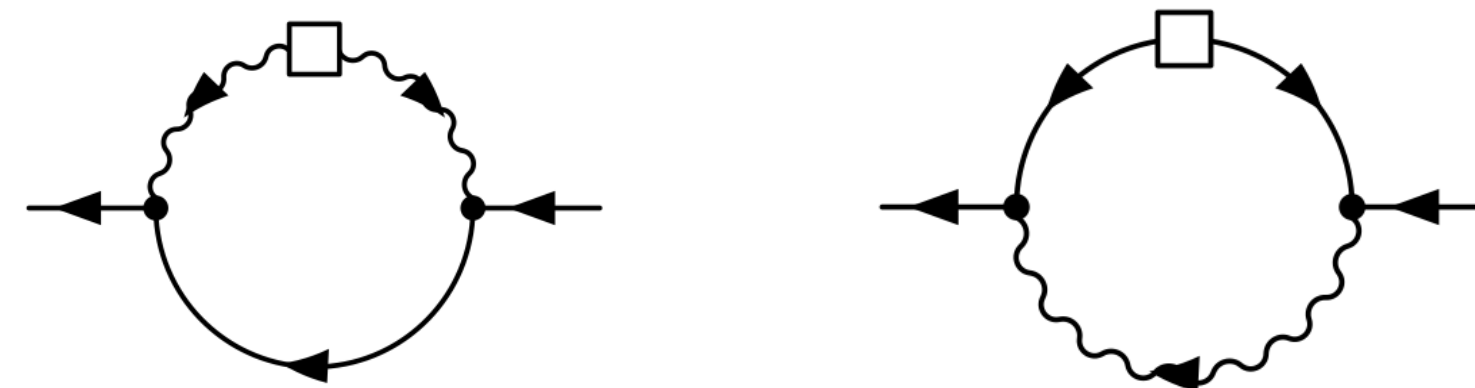
$$\Gamma_k = \frac{\Gamma}{\xi^4} (k\xi)^2 \left(1 + (k\xi)^2 \right) + \frac{T}{6\pi\eta_R \xi^3} K(k\xi)$$

Kawasaki function

Pure Model B prediction
using mean field approx.

Arises from coupling
between ϕ and π_T

Diagrams computed with
certain approximations



Dynamics: Kawasaki approximation

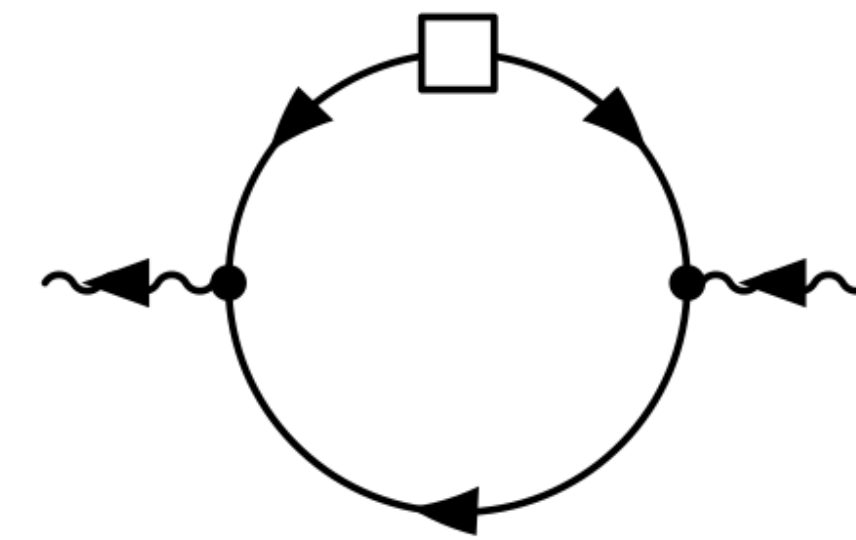
- The Kawasaki approximation:
$$\Gamma_k = \frac{\Gamma}{\xi^4} (k\xi)^2 \left(1 + (k\xi)^2 \right) + \frac{T}{6\pi\eta_R\xi^3} K(k\xi)$$
- Near critical point, relaxation-rate for wavenumbers $k = k_* \sim 1/\xi$ should **cross over** from $z = 4$ (pure diffusive dynamics) to $z = 3$ (pure Model H behavior).

- Digression:** Using Γ_k one can re-recompute the renormalization of η due to coupling of π_T to ϕ :

$$\eta_R = \eta \left[1 + \frac{8}{15\pi^2} \log \left(\frac{\xi}{\xi_0} \right) \right]$$

Near critical point, viscosity diverges, but only weakly

$$\eta_R \sim \xi^{x_\eta} \quad \text{with } x_\eta \approx 0.05$$



Extraction of dynamic critical exponent (numerics)

- Compute time dependent correlator of the order parameter

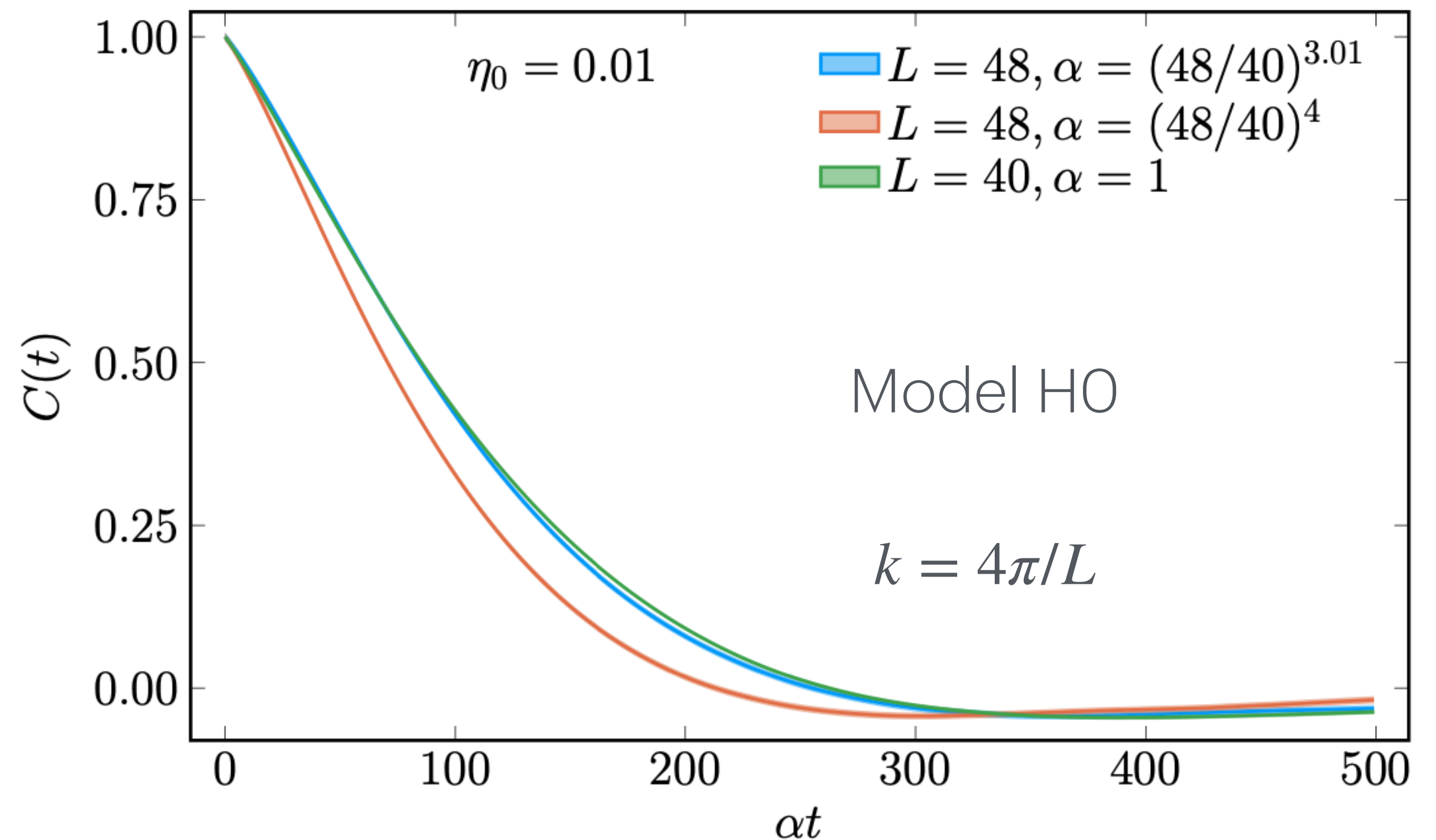
$$C(t, \vec{k}) = \langle \phi(0, \vec{k}) \phi(t, -\vec{k}) \rangle$$

at the critical point.

- [Dynamic scaling](#) at critical point :

$$C(t, k) = \tilde{C} (t/L^z, kL)$$

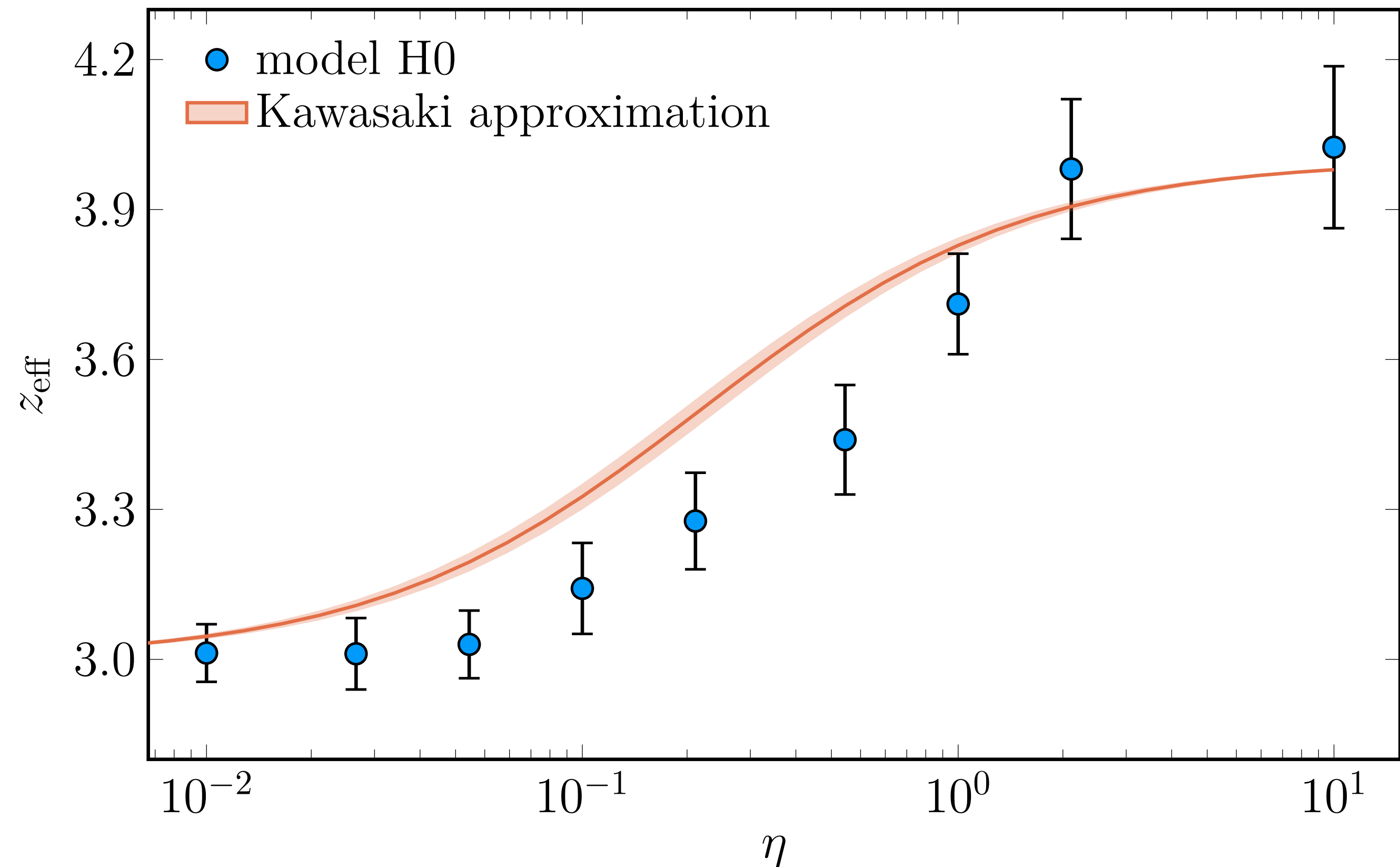
- Hold kL fixed, vary lattice size. Extract z by looking for [data collapse](#).



$$z(\eta = 0.01) = 3.01$$

Cross-over of z

- Extract z for various η
- In Model H0, η_R can become quite small.
- Dynamic exponent crosses over from $z = 4$ (pure diffusion) to $z = 3$ (Model H expectation)

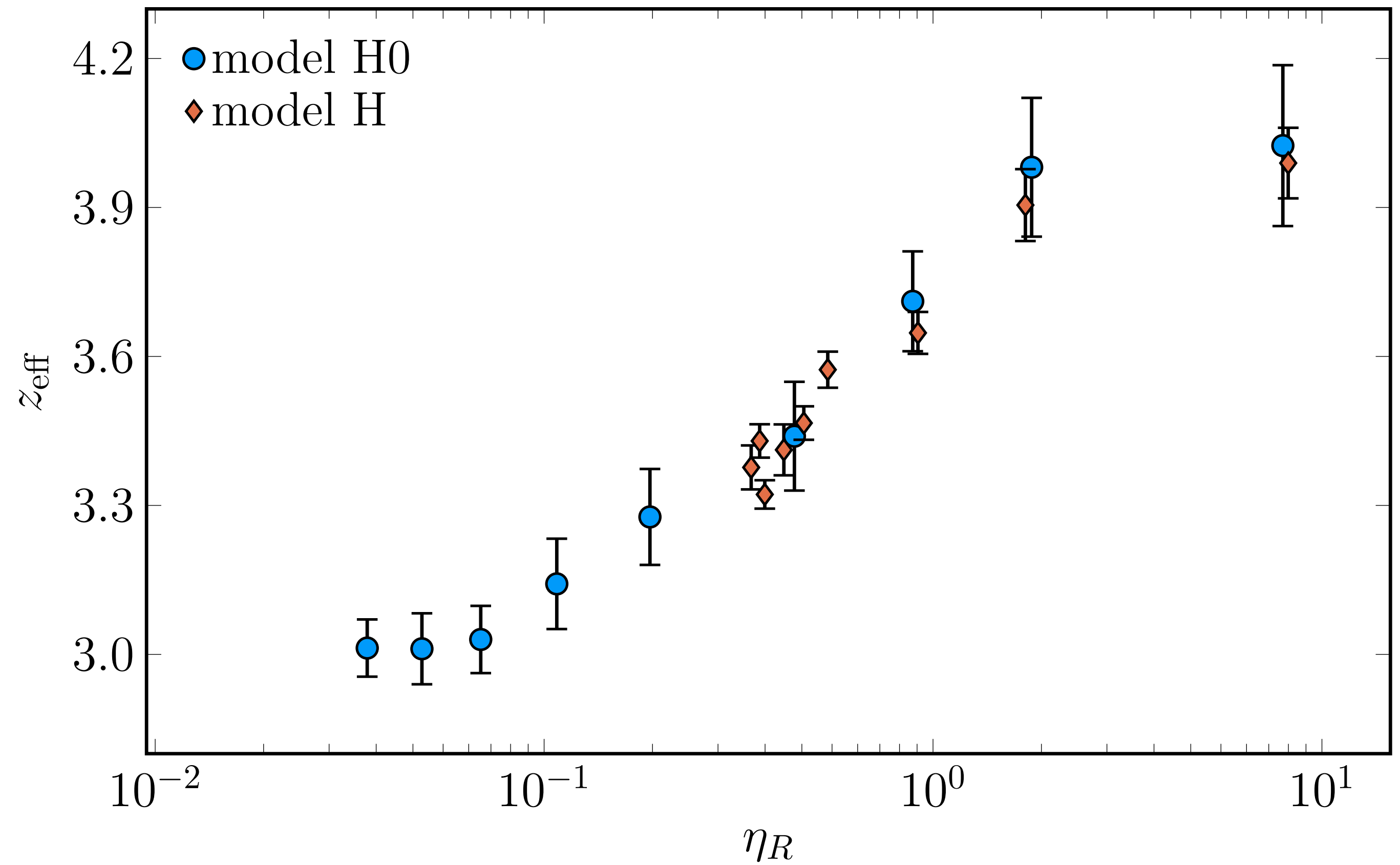


The Kawasaki approximation:

$$\Gamma_k = \frac{\Gamma}{\xi^4} (k\xi)^2 (1 + (k\xi)^2) + \frac{T}{6\pi\eta_R \xi^3} K(k\xi)$$

Cross-over of z

- Dynamic scaling exponent as a function of **renormalized** viscosity.
- z for full Model H coincides with Model H0
- In full Model H, η_R cannot become too small $\implies \min(z) \approx 3.3$



Model H $\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \vec{\pi}_T = \frac{\eta}{\rho} \nabla^2 \vec{\pi}_T + \dots$

Model H0

~~$\frac{\partial \vec{\pi}_T}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{\pi}_T}{\rho} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \vec{\pi}_T = \frac{\eta}{\rho} \nabla^2 \vec{\pi}_T + \dots$~~

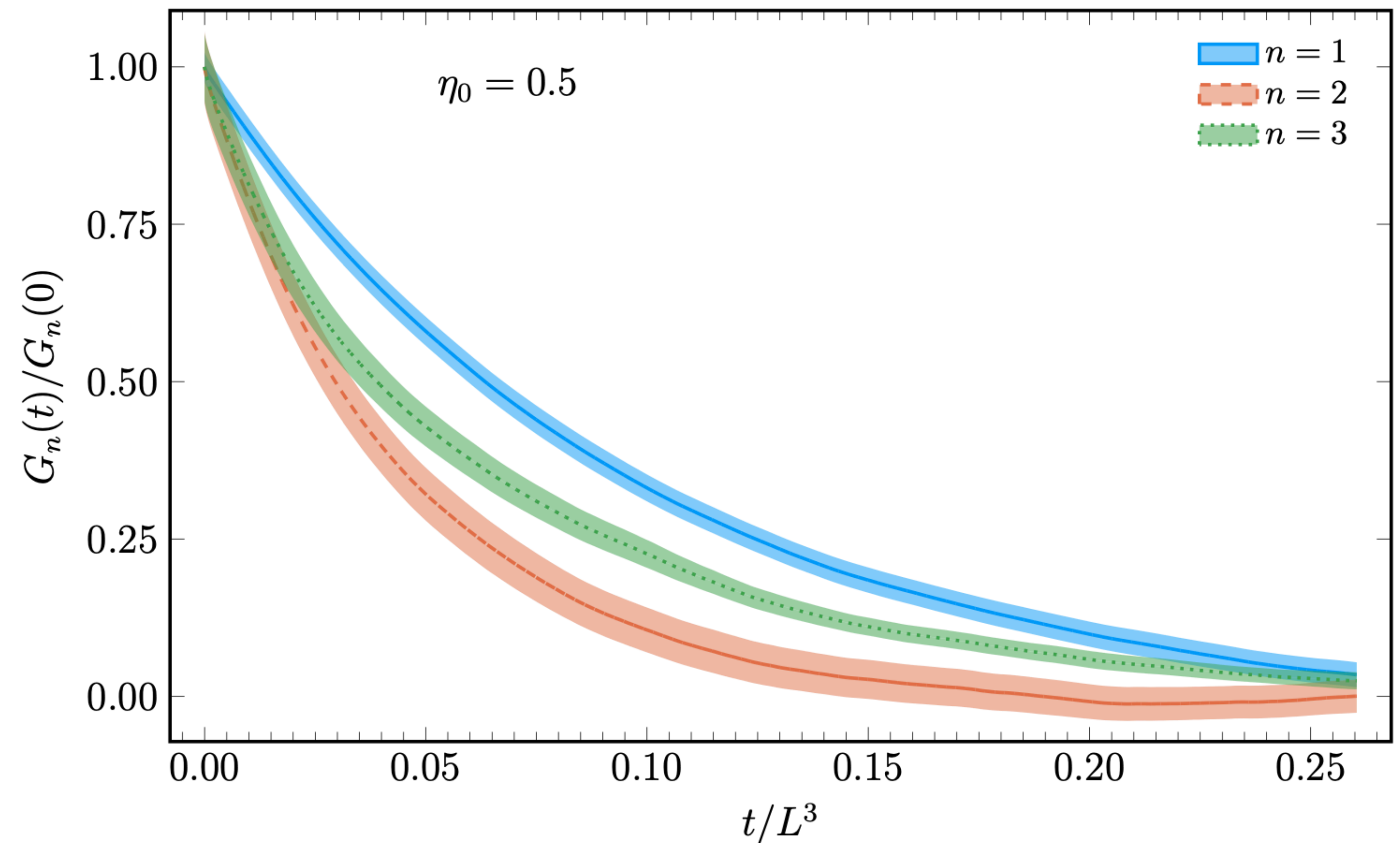
Evolution of higher moments

- Consider higher-point correlations

$$G_n(t) = \langle M^n(t)M^n(0) \rangle$$

$$M(t) = \int_V d^3x \phi(t, \vec{x})$$

- Correlation functions satisfy dynamical scaling
- Relaxation rate depends on 'n'.
Not compatible with mean field expectations



Summary & Outlook

- Performed numerical simulations of stochastic fluid dynamics near a critical point. Observed renormalization of shear viscosity and dynamical scaling.
 - **Self-coupling** of momentum density is important in limiting the smallness of effective viscosity.
 - **Dynamic scaling** exponent depends sensitively on value of correlation length and effective shear viscosity.
 - Pure Model H behavior $z \approx 3$ requires both **large ξ** and **small η_R** .

To generalize this to **relativistic fluids** with non-trivial expansions and cooling, inclusion of sound modes and critical equation of state.

Thank you!

Backup: determination of m_c^2 in Model A

- At a critical point, susceptibilities $\langle M^2 \rangle$ diverge (infinite vol). In finite volume there are peaks. Possible strategy: Thermalize Model B configurations, compute $\langle M^2 \rangle$ at different m^2 and look for peaks.
- Mean-field estimates that Model B configurations take $\tau_{\text{therm}} \sim L^z$ with $z \sim 4$ to thermalize. Computationally demanding.
- Use a model in the same static universality class but with smaller $z \implies$ Model A, relaxational dynamics of an order-parameter ($z = 2$).

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = -\Gamma \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \zeta \quad F[\phi] = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 \right]$$

$$\langle \zeta(t, \vec{x}) \zeta(t', \vec{x}') \rangle = 2\Gamma T \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \delta(t - t')$$

Backup: The Metropolis scheme in Model A

- Take a trial update $\phi(t + \Delta t, x)_{\text{trial}} = \phi(t, x) + \sqrt{2\Gamma T \Delta t} \theta$, $\langle \theta^2 \rangle = 1$
- The change in free energy due to this update

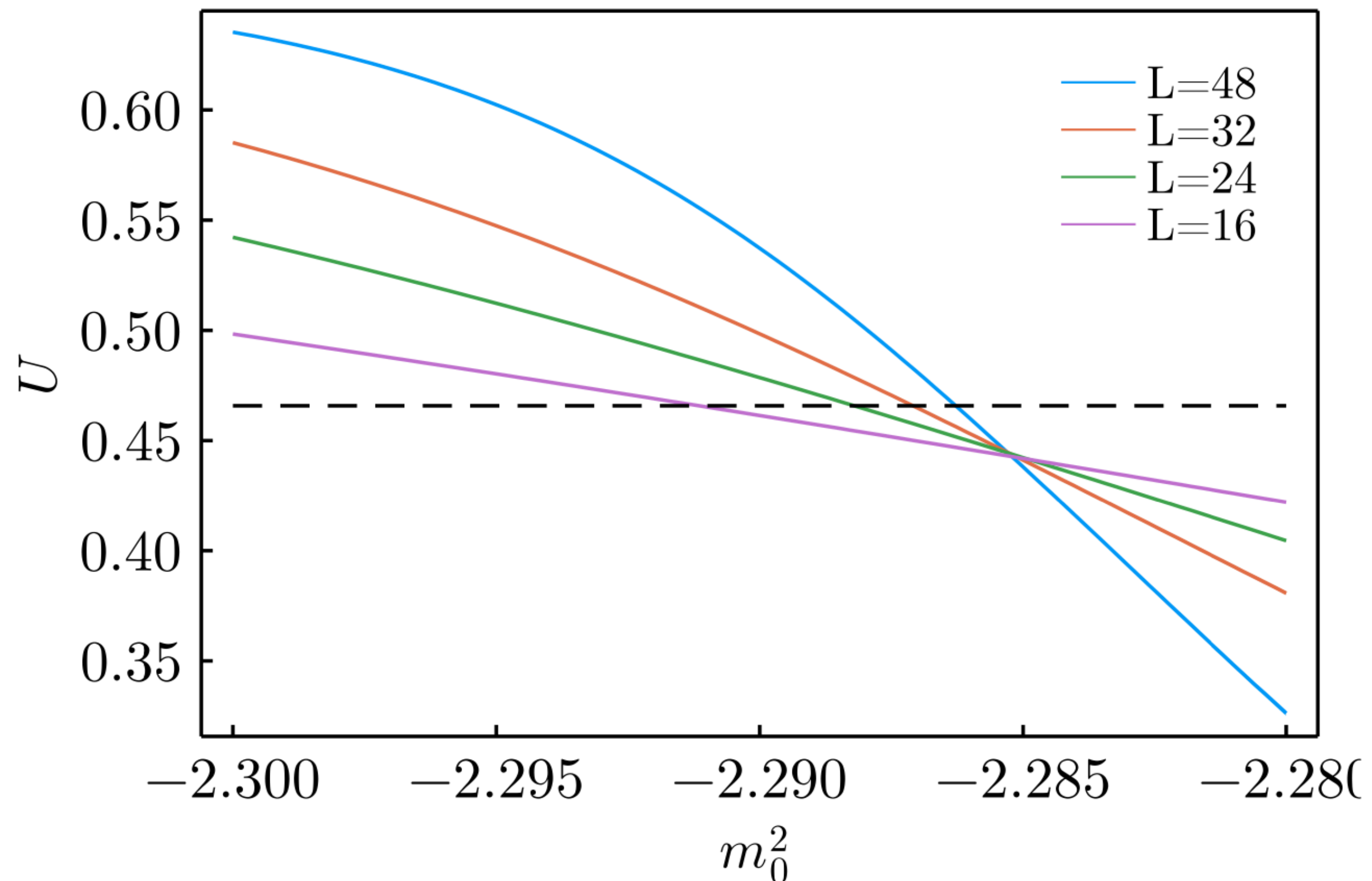
$$\Delta F = \left(d + \frac{m^2}{2} \right) (\phi_{\text{trial}}^2(x) - \phi^2(x)) + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi_{\text{trial}}^4(x) - \phi^4(x)) \\ - (\phi_{\text{trial}}(x) - \phi(x)) \sum_{\hat{\mu}=1}^d (\phi(x + \hat{\mu}) - \phi(x - \hat{\mu}))$$

- Accept the update with probability

$$p = \min(1, \exp(-\Delta F/T))$$

Backup: m_c^2 using Binder cumulants

- Fluctuation observables like $\langle M^2 \rangle$ and $\langle M^4 \rangle$ shows peaks at m_c^2 .
- The location of these peaks differs from infinite volume limit.



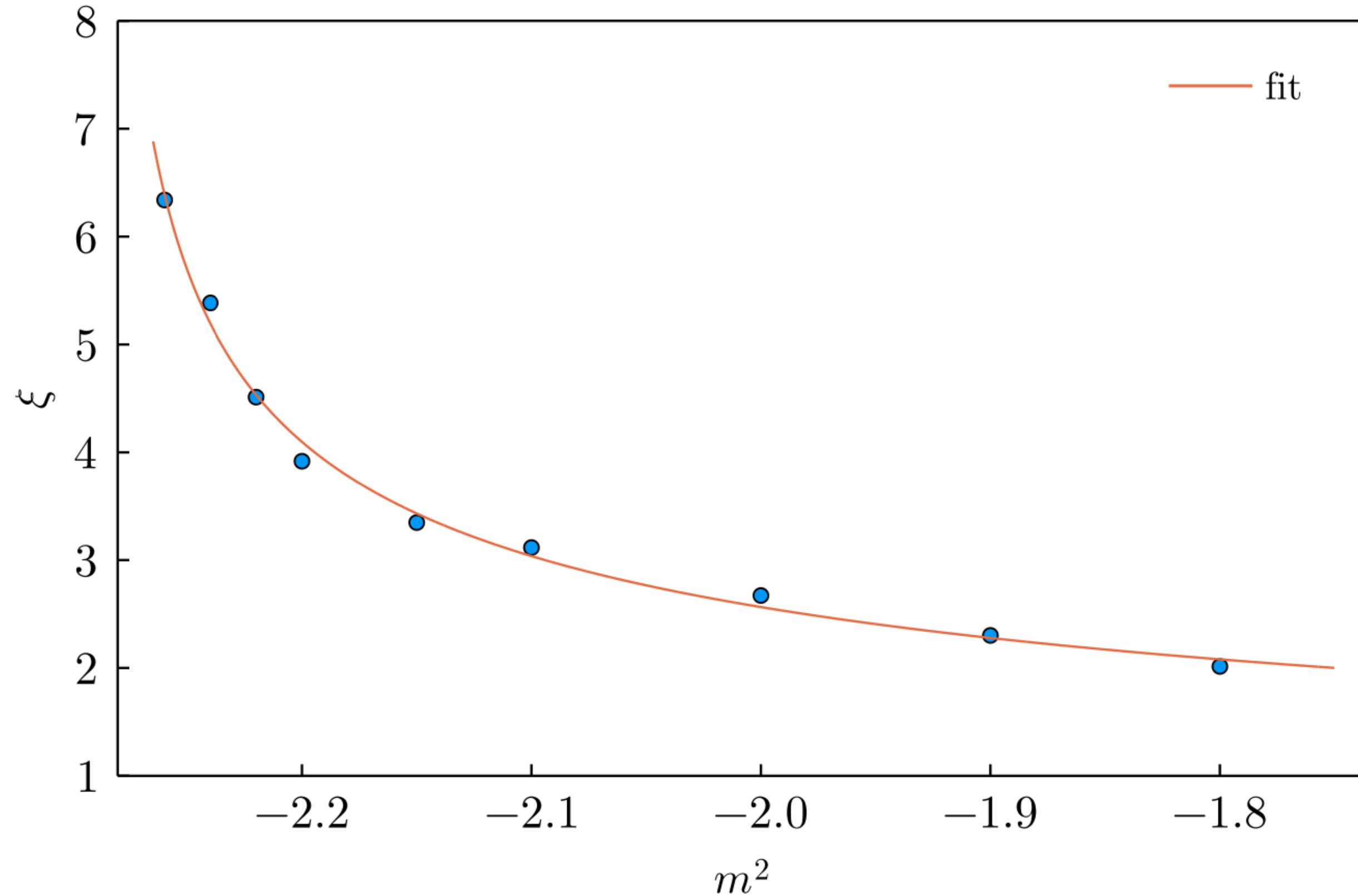
At the true critical point, finite volume effects on the Binder cumulant U cancels

$$U = 1 - \frac{\langle M^4 \rangle}{3(\langle M^2 \rangle)^2}$$

Strategy: Thermalize lattice using Metropolis update up to a long time, $t \sim L^2$

Compute $U(m^2)$ and estimate where the curves cross the infinite volume result

Backup: Correlation length in Model B



The [static correlator](#) in Fourier space

$$C(k) = \langle \phi(0, \vec{k}) \phi(0, -\vec{k}) \rangle$$

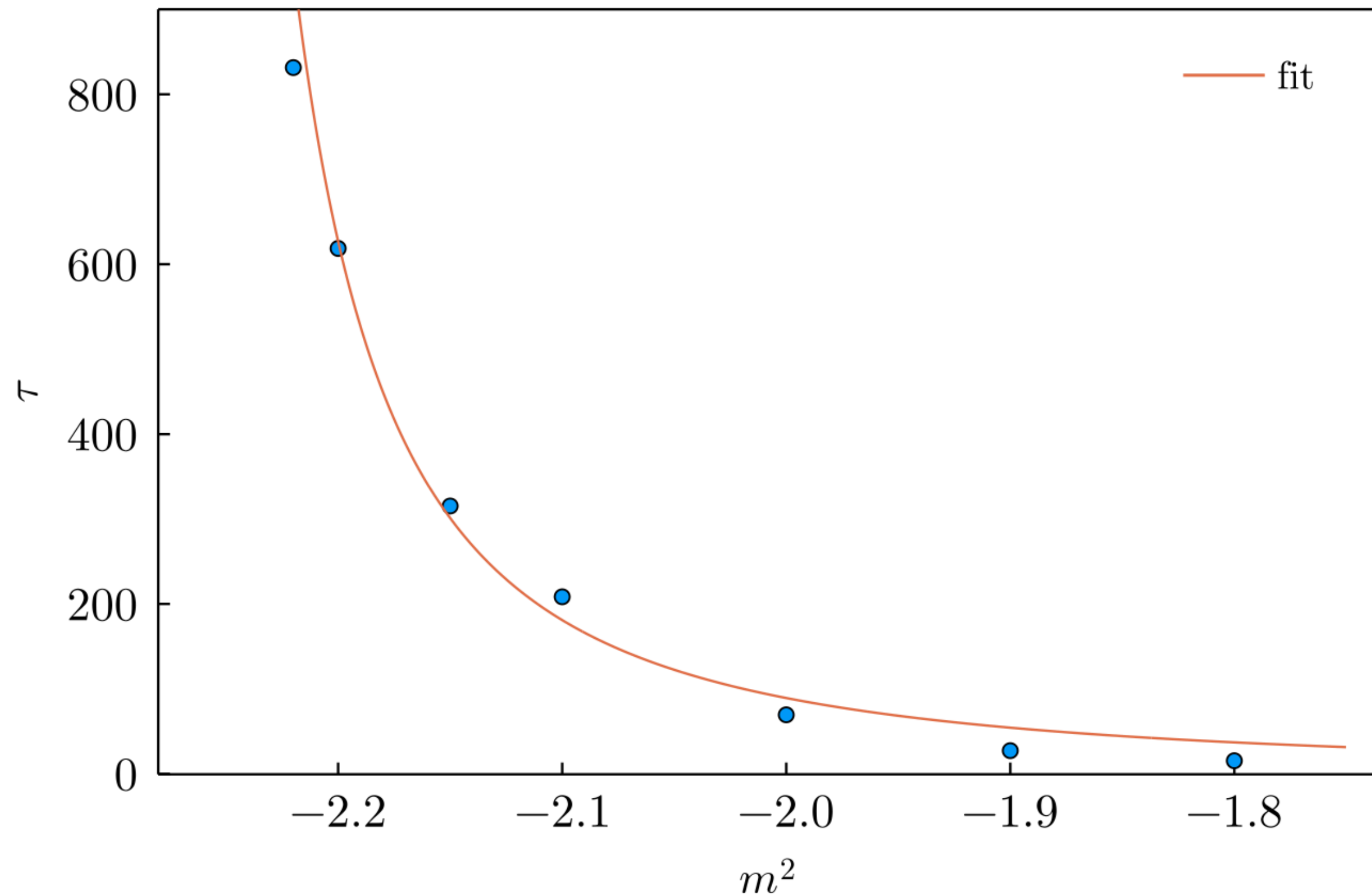
Extract [correlation length](#) by fitting with mean field expectation

$$C(k) \sim \frac{1}{k^2 + 1/\xi^2}$$

The correlation length grows as

$$\xi \sim \frac{1}{(m^2 - m_c^2)^\nu} \quad \text{with} \quad \nu \approx 0.54$$

Backup: Relaxation time in Model B



- Compute the **dynamic correlator**

$$C(t, k) = \langle \phi(0, \vec{k}) \phi(t, -\vec{k}) \rangle$$

- The correlator damps in time

$$C(t, k) \sim \exp(-t/\tau_k)$$

Where τ_k is a **momentum-dependent relaxation time**.

- In figure, τ for a given m^2 (or ξ) is defined as τ_k at $k = 1/\xi$
- Relaxation time grows as $\tau \sim \xi^z$

Backup: The stickiness of sound

Kovtun, Moore & Romatschke

Linearized energy-momentum tensor in presence of noise

$$T_{00,\xi} = \delta e \quad T_{0i,\xi} = - (e_0 + P_0) \delta u_i \quad T_{ij,\xi} = \delta_{ij} c_s^2 \delta e - \eta \left(\partial_i \delta u_j + \partial_j \delta u_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \delta \vec{u} \right) + \xi_{ij}$$

Noise is Gaussian: $\langle \xi_{ij}(x) \xi_{kl}(y) \rangle = 4 \eta T \Delta_{ijkl} \delta^4(x - y)$

Averages of any quantity is obtained by using a functional integral $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \equiv \int D\xi_{ij} e^{-S_\xi} \mathcal{O}$

$$S_\xi = \int d^3x \xi_{ij} \left(\frac{1}{8T\eta} \Delta^{ijkl} \right) \xi_{kl}$$

Can compute any correlation functions, for eg., $\langle T^{12}(x) T^{12}(y) \rangle \equiv G^{12,12}(x, y)$

Backup: The stickiness of sound

Beyond linearized regime, consider terms up to 2nd order in perturbation (also take low momentum limit)

$$T_\xi^{12} = (e_0 + P_0) \delta u^1 \delta u^2 + \xi^{12}$$

The symmetric correlator $G_{\text{sym}}^{12,12}(x, y) = \langle \xi^{12}(x) \xi^{12}(y) \rangle_\xi + (\epsilon_0 + P_0)^2 \langle \delta u^1(x) \delta u^2(x) \delta u^1(y) \delta u^2(y) \rangle_\xi$.

In Fourier space, $G_{\text{sym}}^{12,12}(\omega, k \rightarrow 0) = 2T\eta + \int \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \frac{d^{d-1}k'}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} [G_{\text{sym}}^{01,01}(\omega', \mathbf{k}') G_{\text{sym}}^{02,02}(\omega - \omega', -\mathbf{k}') + G_{\text{sym}}^{01,02}(\omega', \mathbf{k}') G_{\text{sym}}^{02,01}(\omega - \omega', -\mathbf{k}')]]$

For example, $G_{\text{sym}}^{01,01} = -\frac{2T}{\omega} \left(e_0 + \frac{k^2 \eta}{i\omega - \gamma_\eta k^2} \right)$ $\gamma_\eta = \eta / (e_0 + P_0)$

Finally, one obtains $G^{12,12}(\omega, k \rightarrow 0) = -i\omega \left(\eta + \frac{17T\Lambda_{UV}}{120\pi^2\gamma_\eta} \right) + (1+i)\omega^{3/2} \frac{\left(7 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{3/2} \right) T}{240\pi\gamma_\eta^{3/2}}$

Renormalization of shear

Kovtun, Moore & Romatschke