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- Focusing Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation :

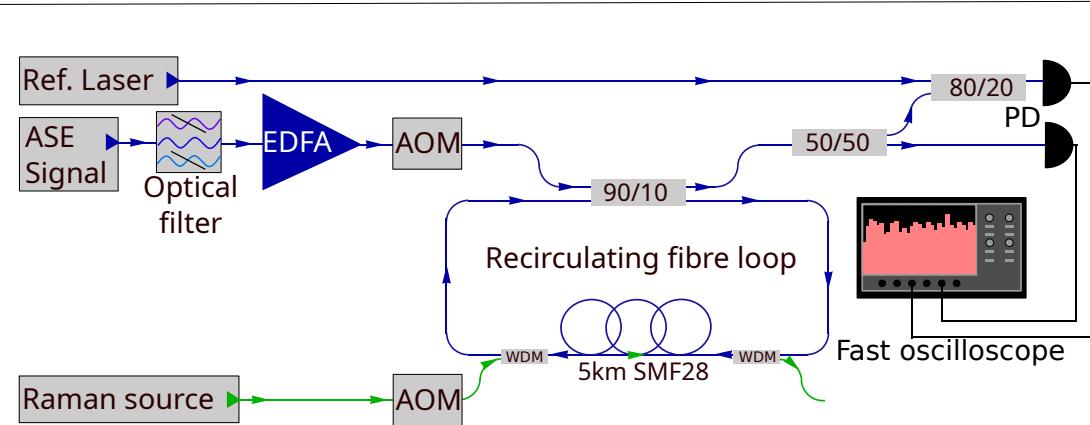
$$i\partial_t \psi + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{xx} \psi + |\psi|^2 \psi = 0$$

- Thermodynamics of soliton gases
- Infinitely many conserved quantities / constraints

$$e^{-\beta(H-\mu N)} \longrightarrow e^{-\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta_j Q_j}$$

- **Ballistic correlations of conserved quantities**

$$\begin{aligned} t C(x, t) &= t \langle |\psi(x, t)|^2 |\psi(0, 0)|^2 \rangle_c \\ &= \int d^2 \lambda \delta(x/t - v^{\text{eff}}(\lambda)) \rho(\lambda) ([4\Im(\lambda)]^{\text{dr}})^2 \end{aligned}$$

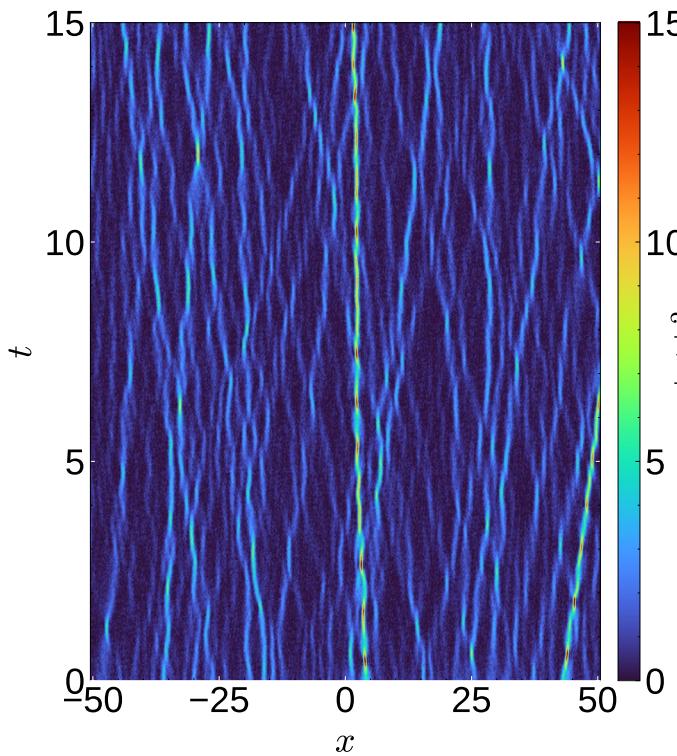


- Experimental setup : recirculating optical fibre loop
- Single-shot measurement of both intensity and phase

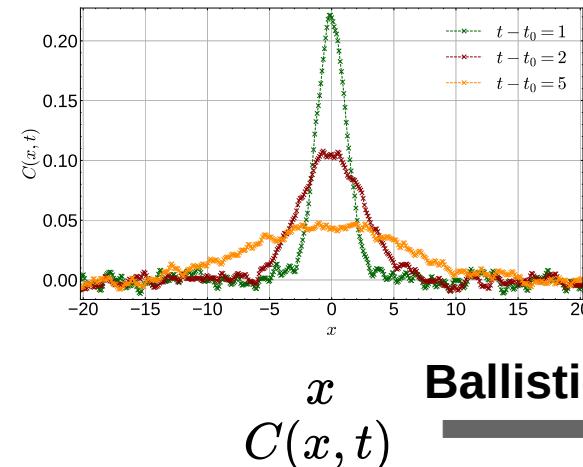


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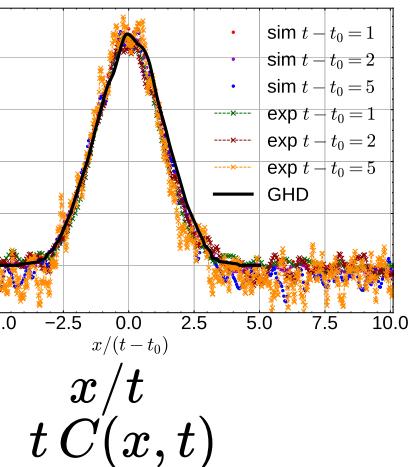


- Full space-time reconstruction of the optical field
- Space-time correlations display a ballistic behaviour
- Total agreement between experiments, numerics and theory



$$x \\ C(x, t)$$

Ballistic rescaling



$$x/t \\ t C(x, t)$$