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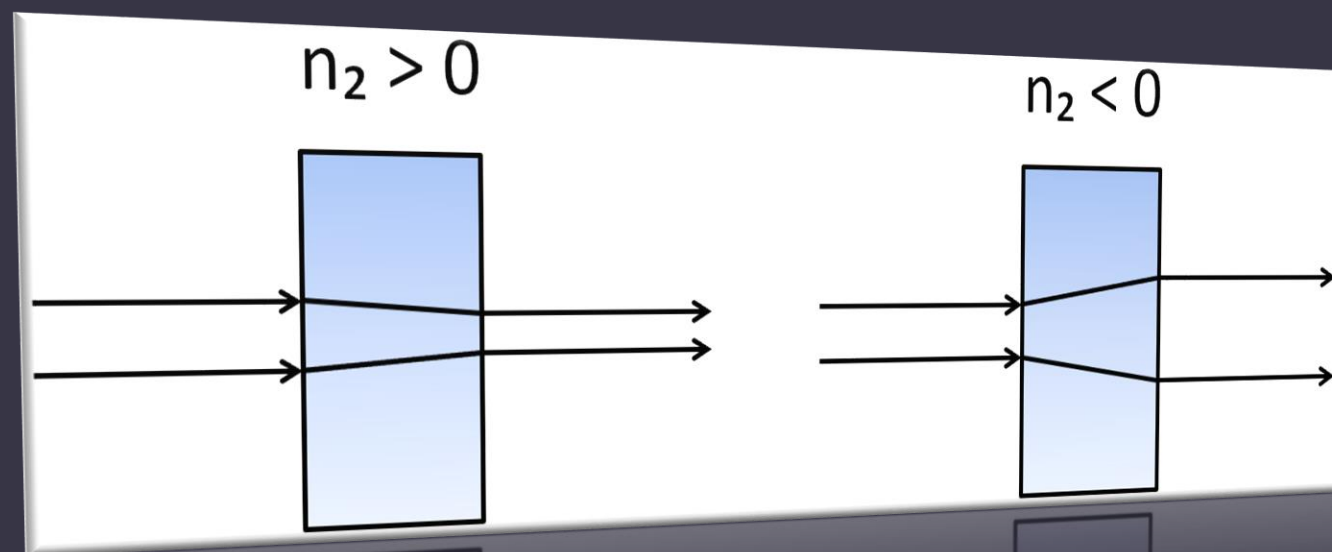
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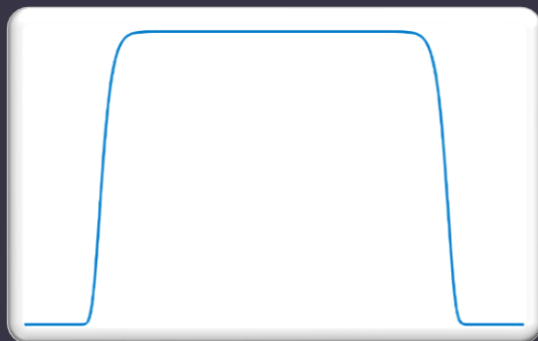


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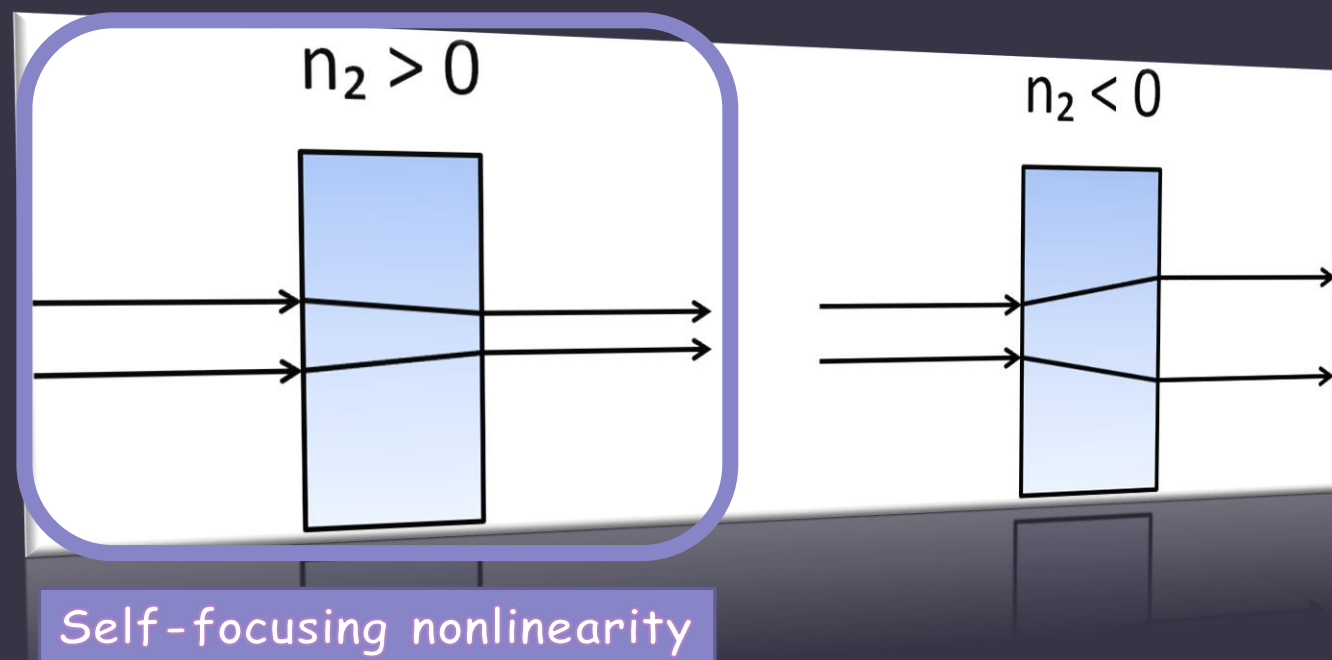


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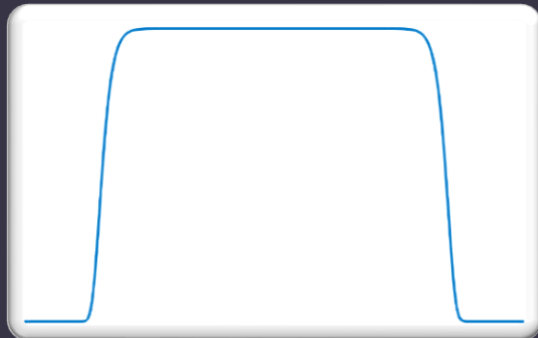


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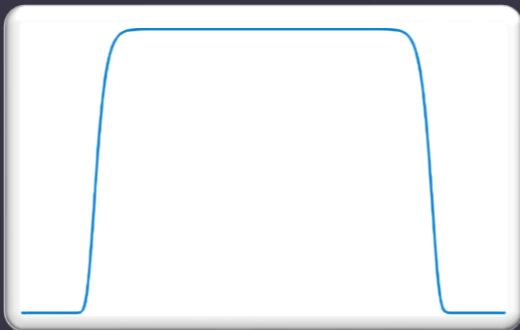
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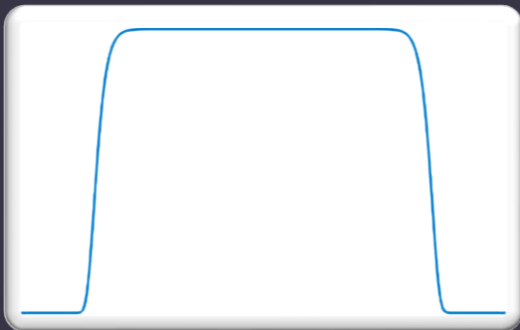
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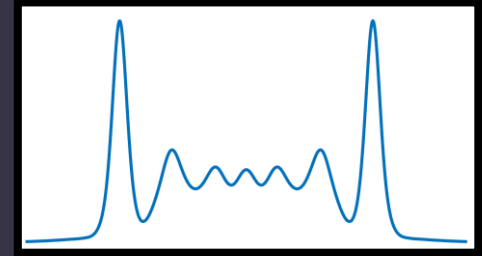
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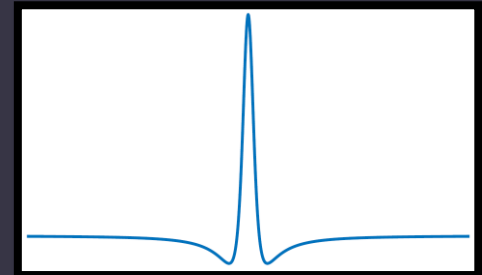
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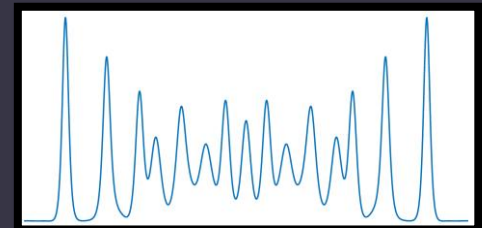
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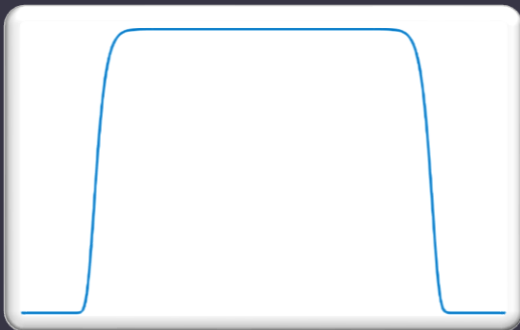


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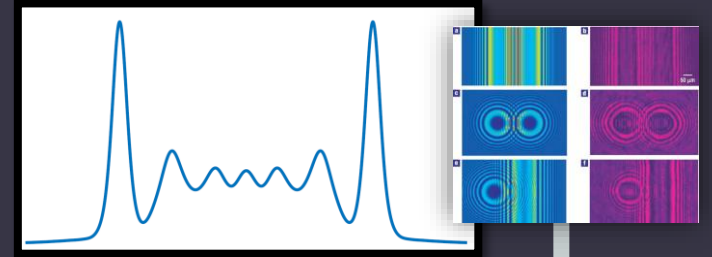
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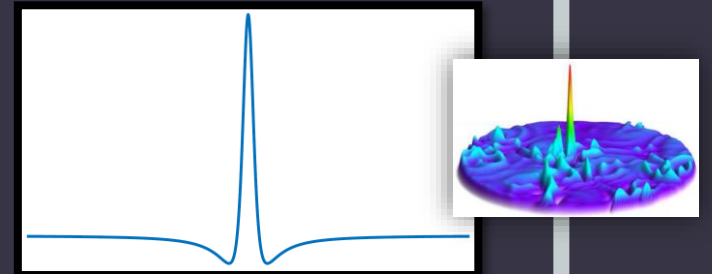
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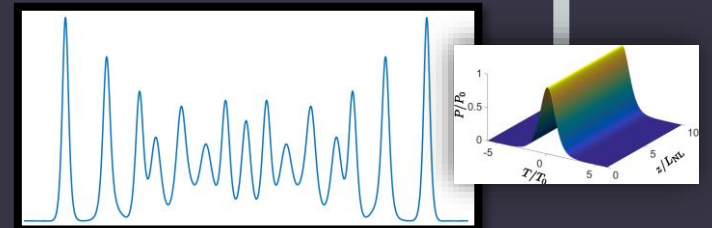
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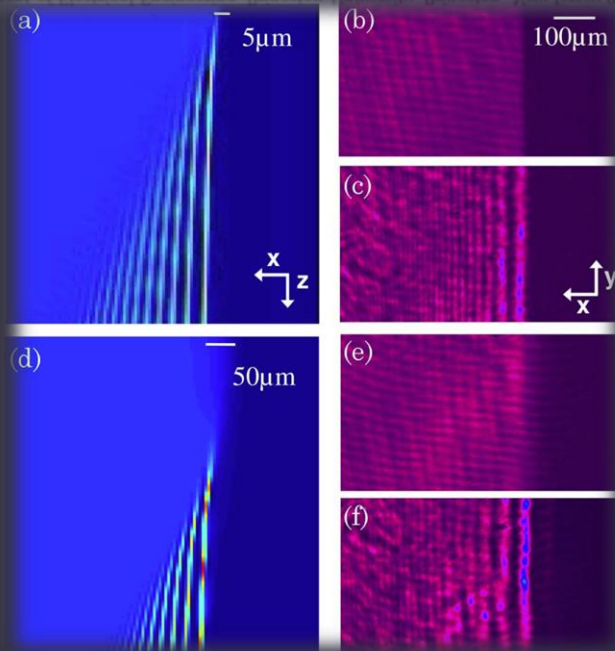
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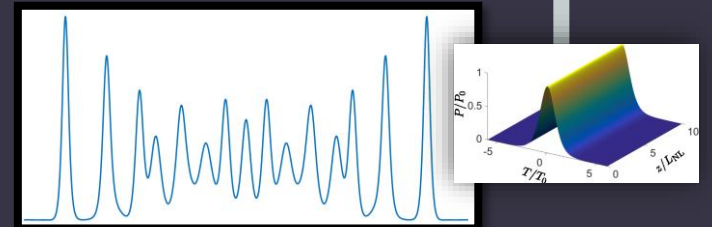
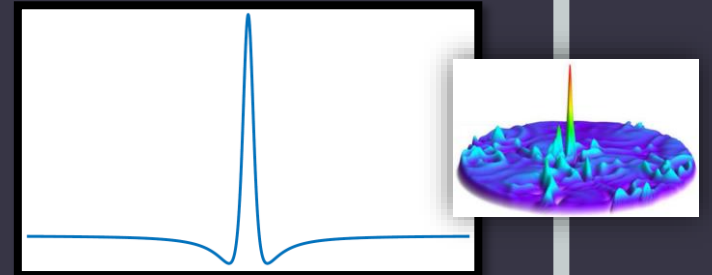
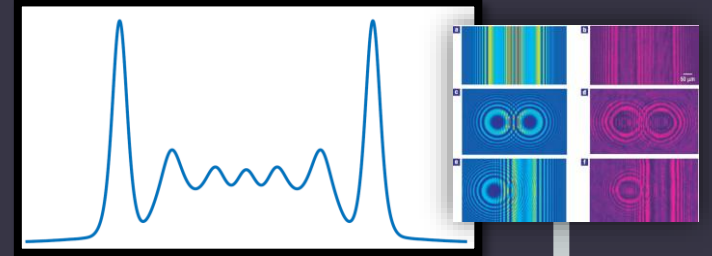
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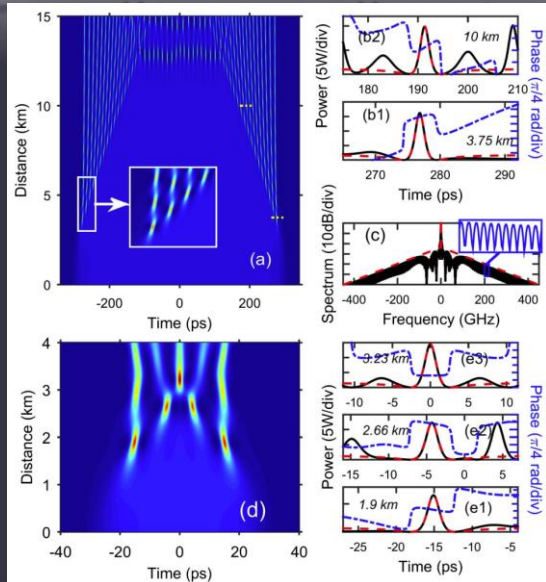
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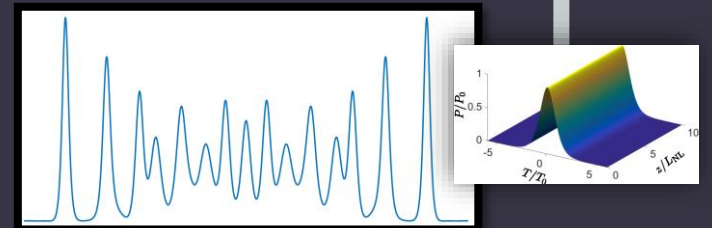
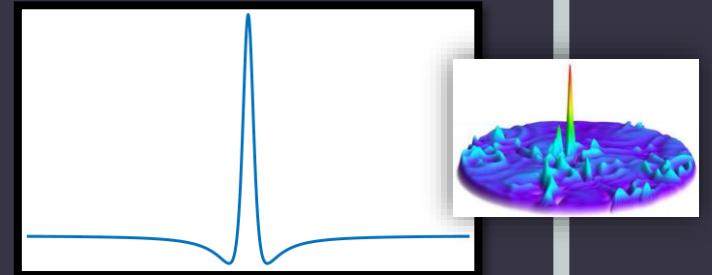
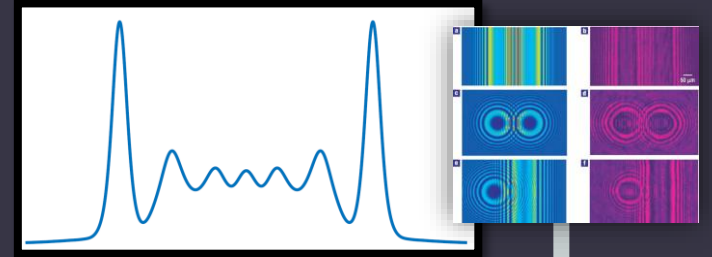
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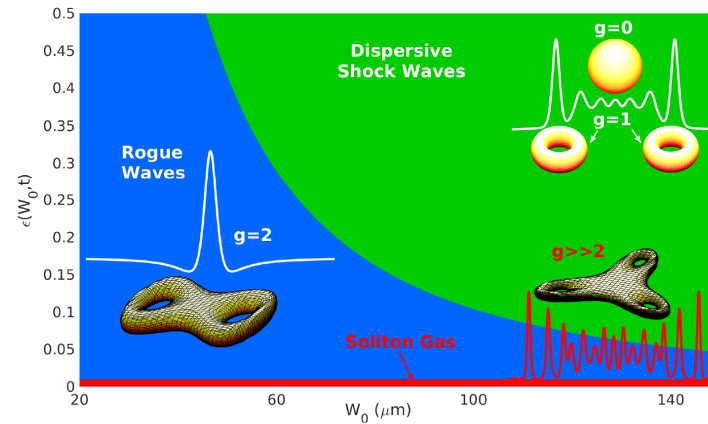
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 - Framework in a photorefractive crystal
 - Propagation of a beam with large waist: Akhmediev breathers
 - Propagation of a beam with small waist: Peregrine solitons

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 - Our approach to quantum NLSE
 - Effect of quantum noise on rogue waves

Topological Control of Extreme Waves



research highlights

EXTREME WAVES

Tamed by topology

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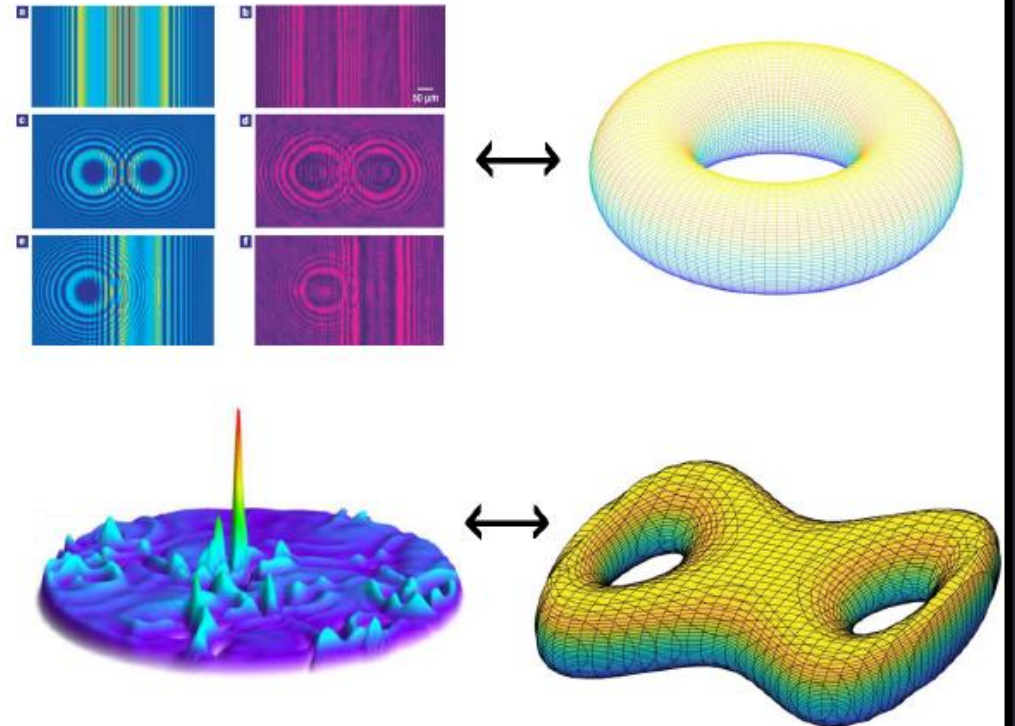
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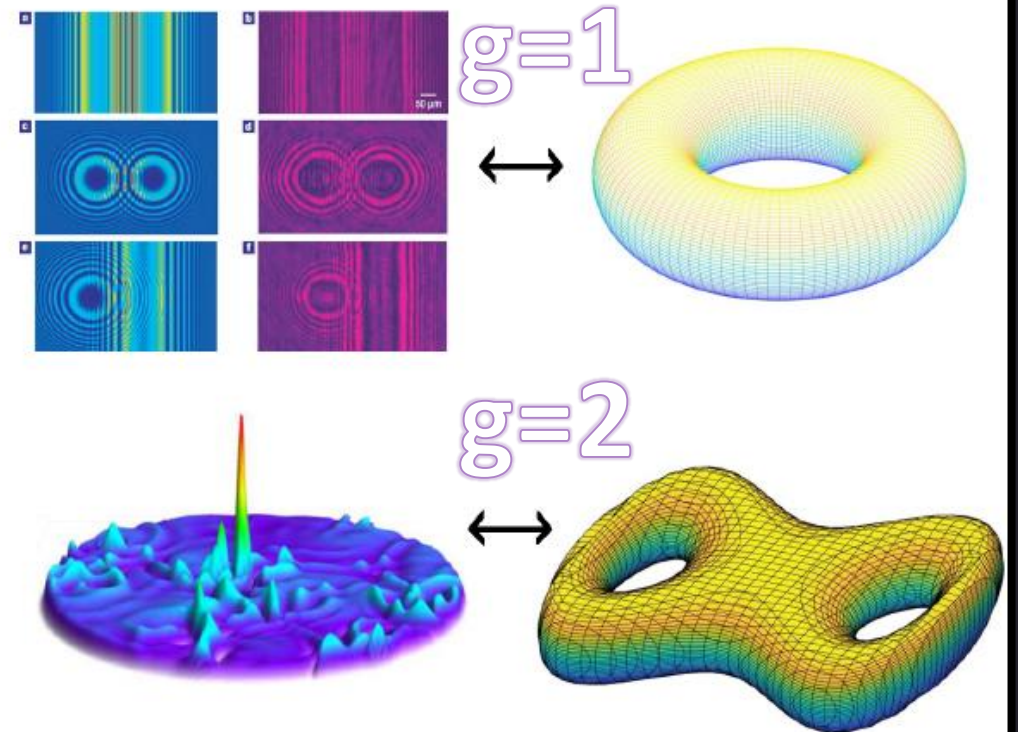
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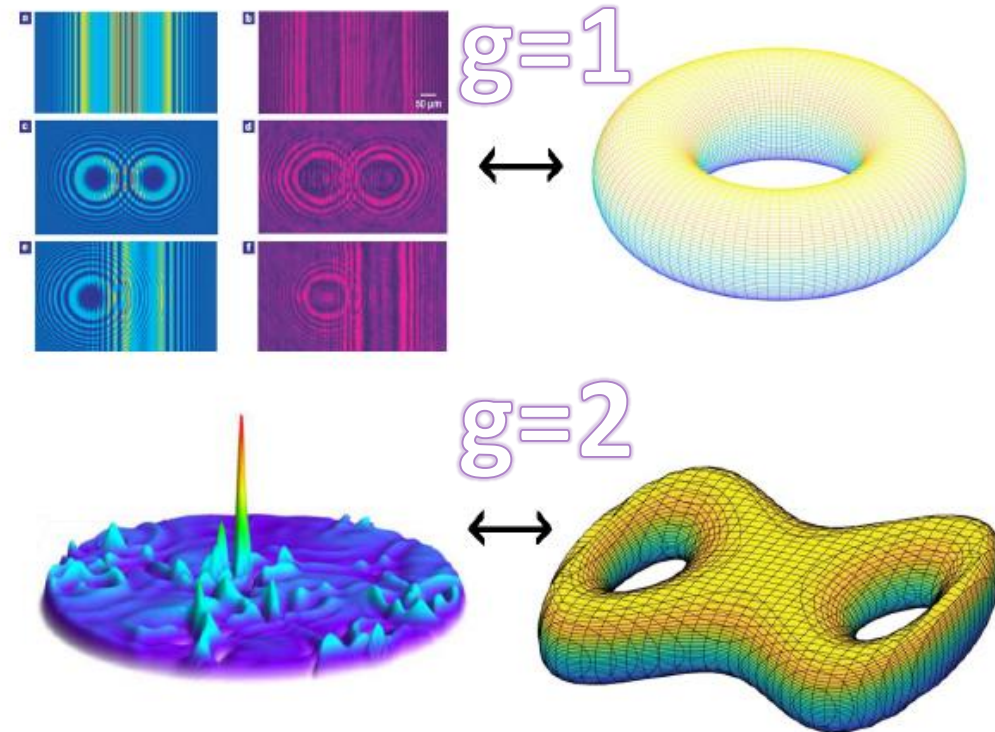
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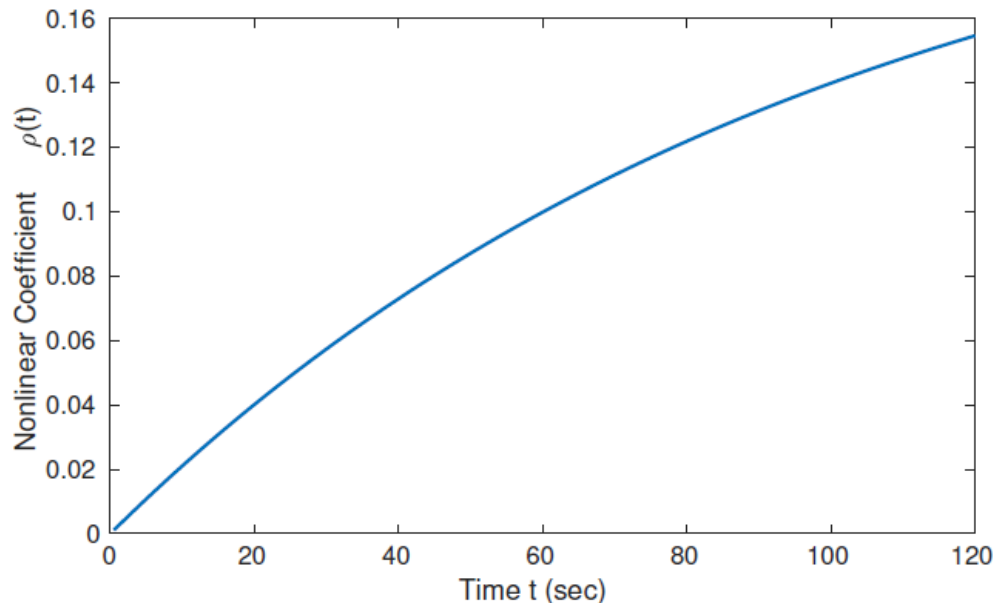
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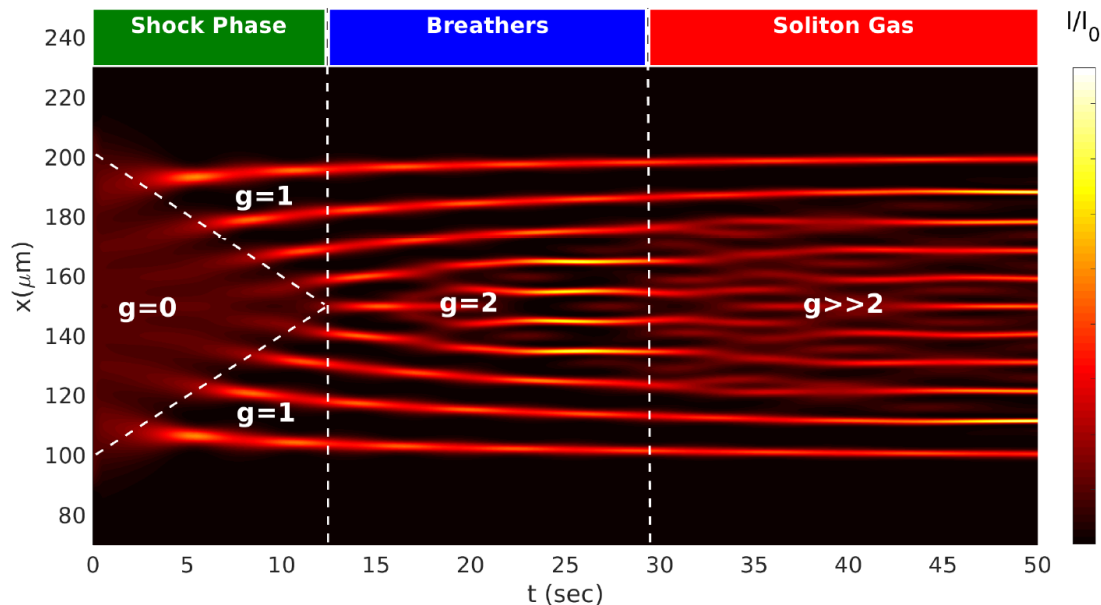
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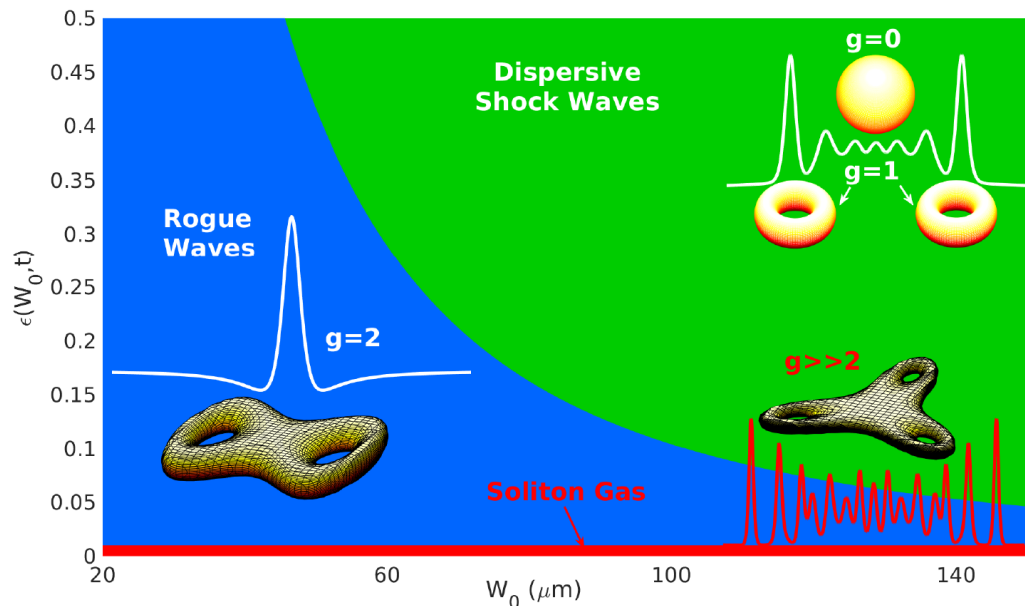
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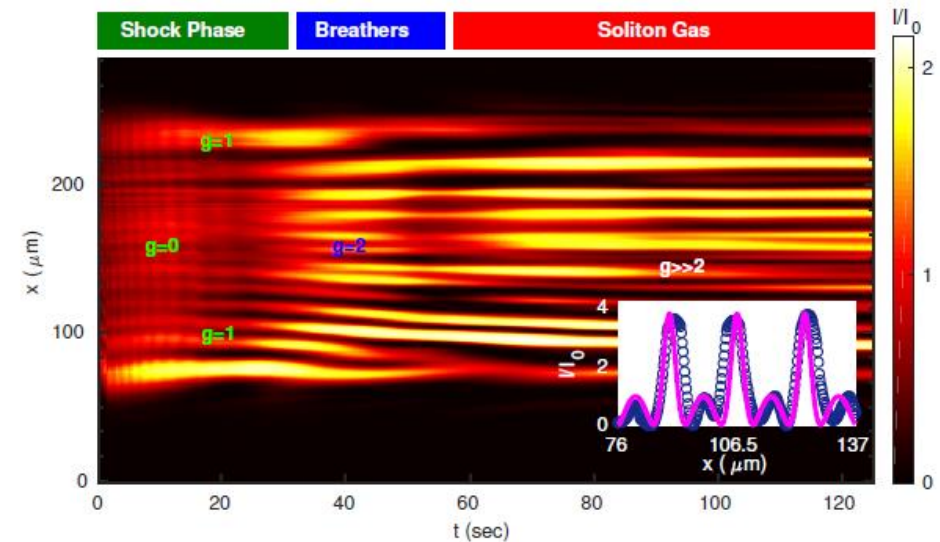
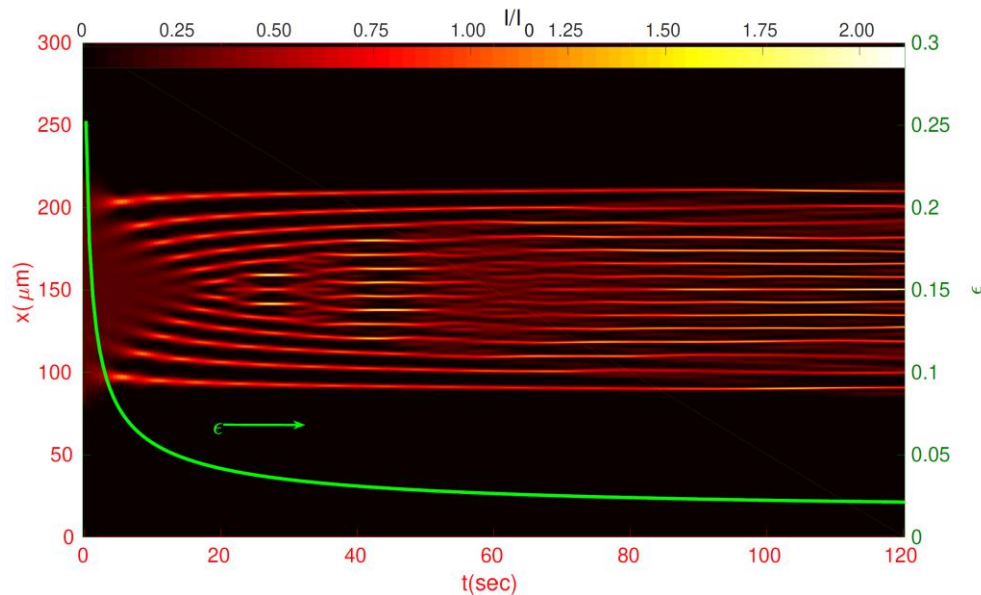
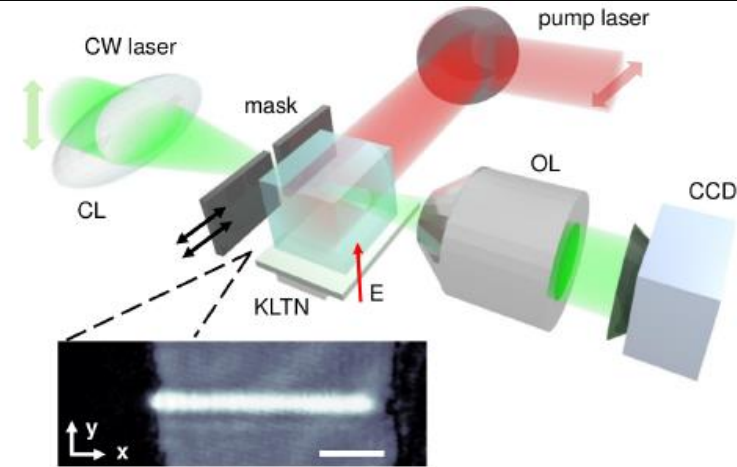
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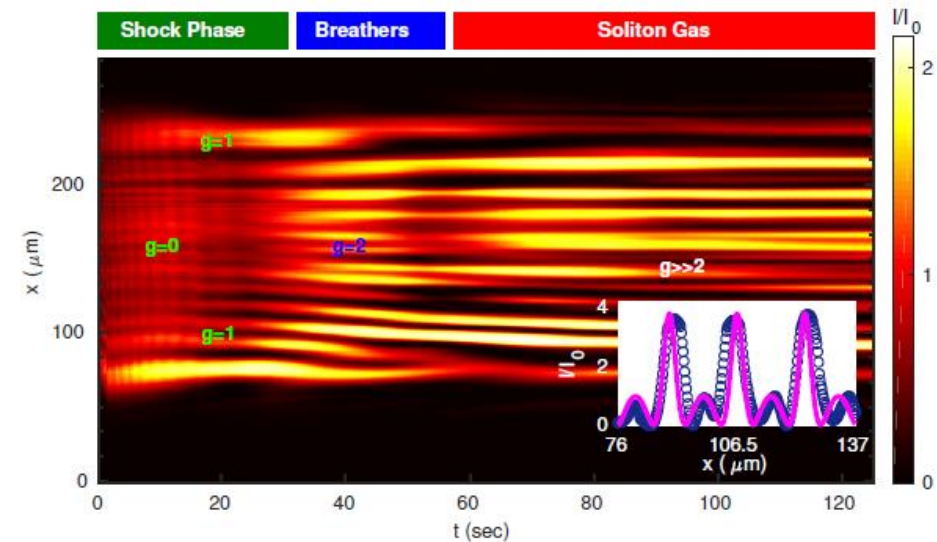
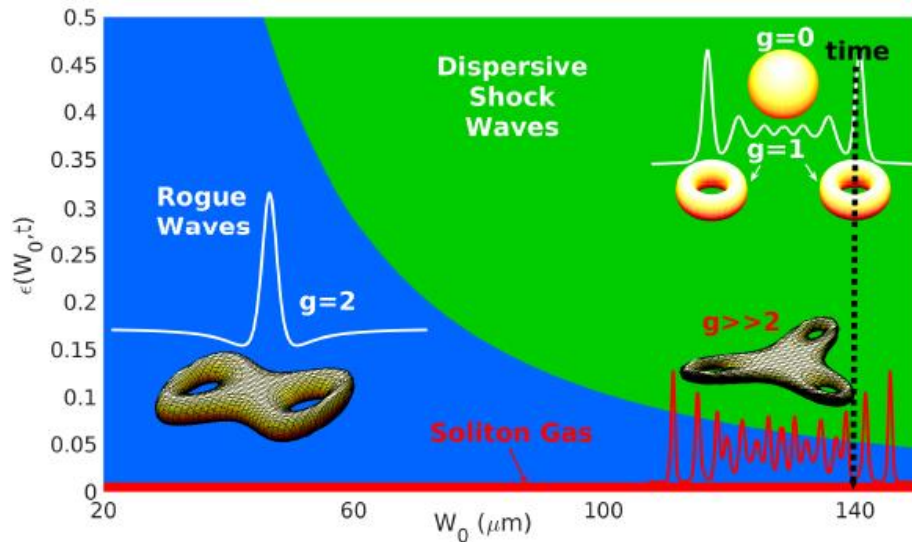
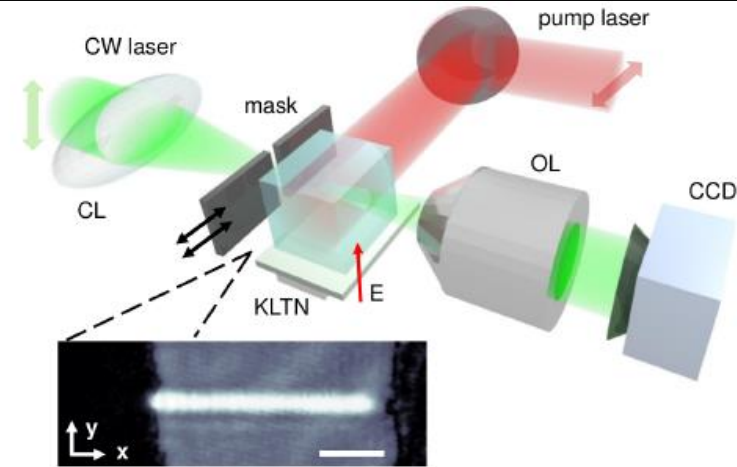
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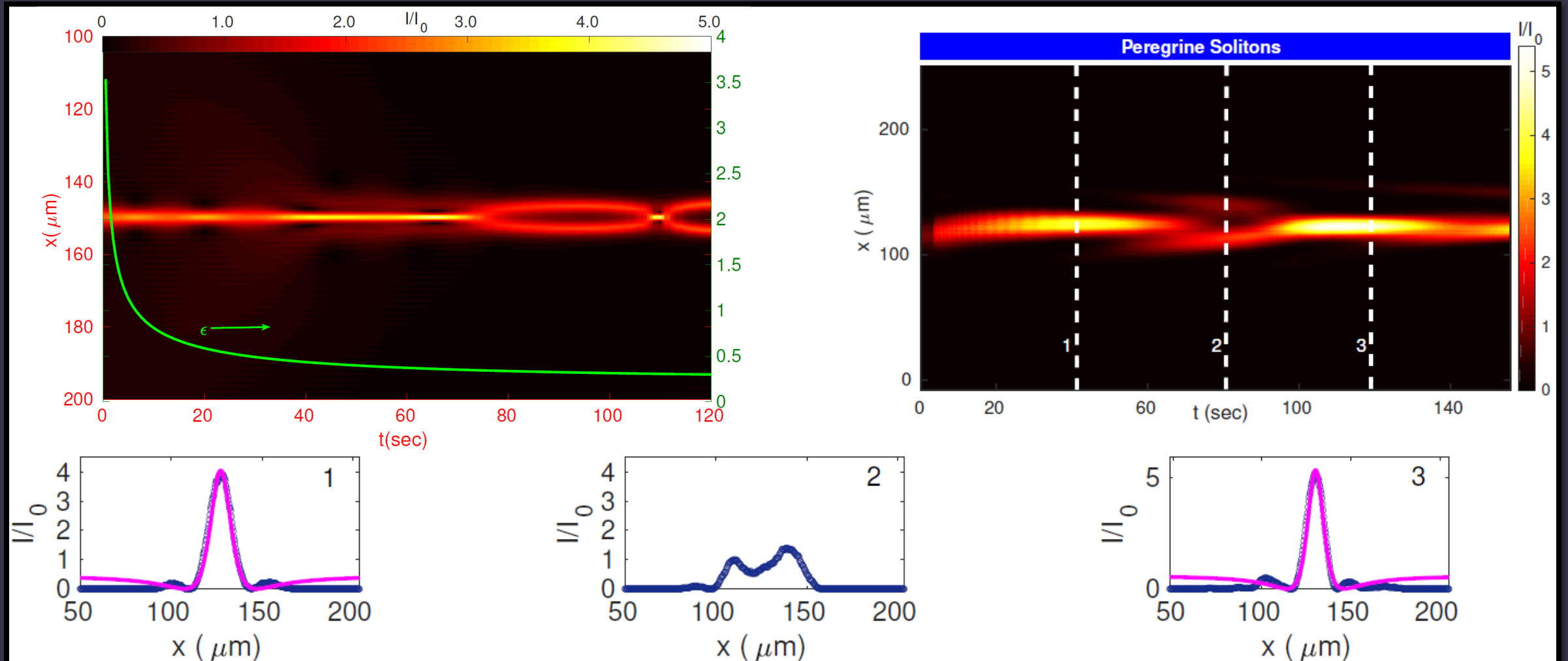


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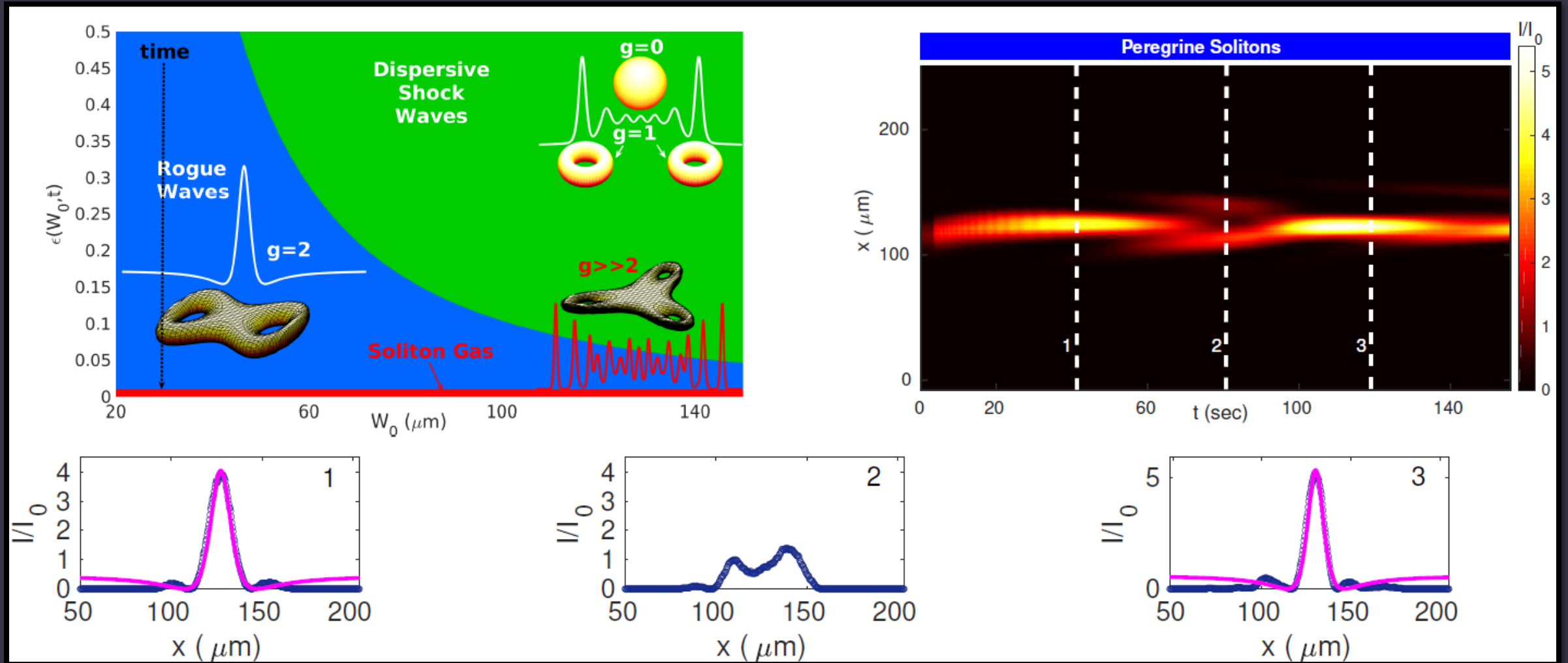
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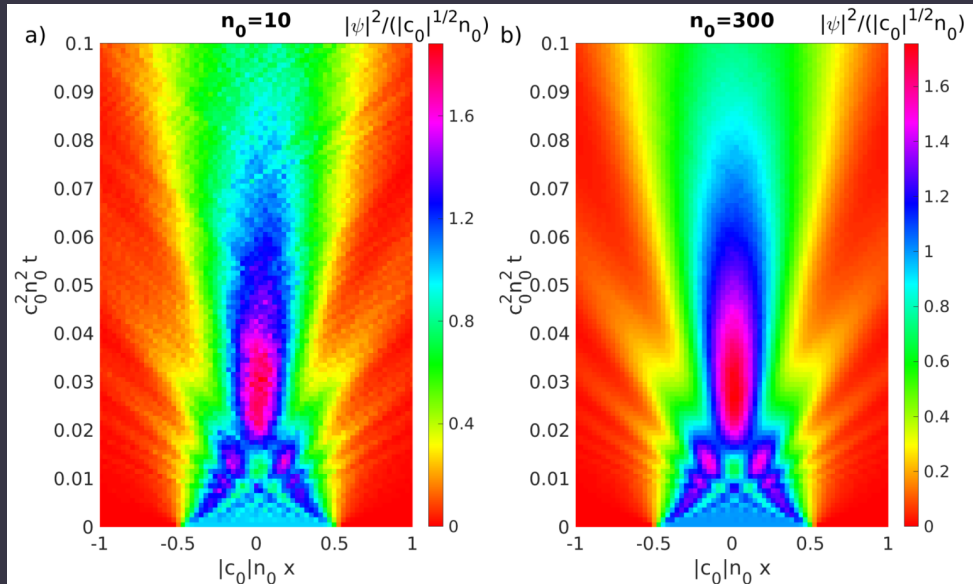
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Quantum Peregrine Soliton Generation: Quantum nonlinear waves

RESEARCH

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Observation of three-photon bound states in a quantum nonlinear medium

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- ▶ Quantum nonlinear optical processes in fibers, microresonators and cavities.
- ▶ Generation of frequency combs, supercontinuum, solitons, squeezed light, etc.
- ▶ Highly entangled multimode states.

- ▶ First experimental observation of a **quantum soliton**, following the definition of P. D. Drummond and H. He, *PRA* **56** (1997);

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Zur Theorie der Metalle.
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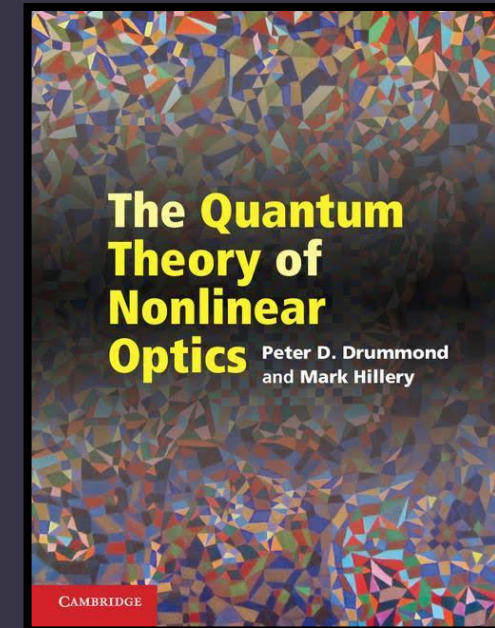
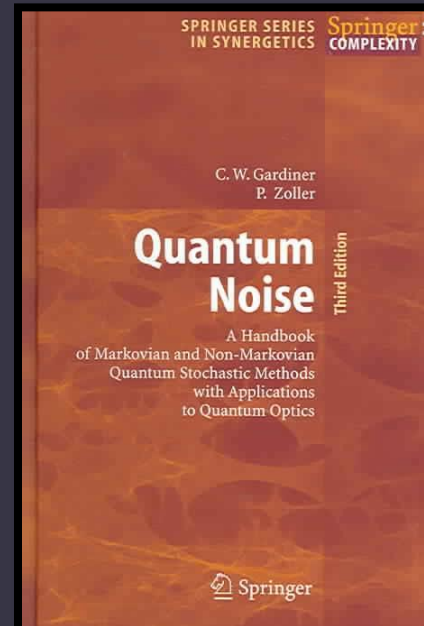
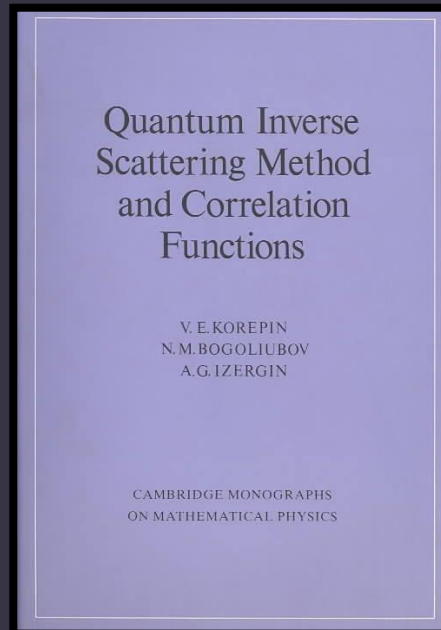
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Quantum theory of solitons in optical fibers. II. Exact solution

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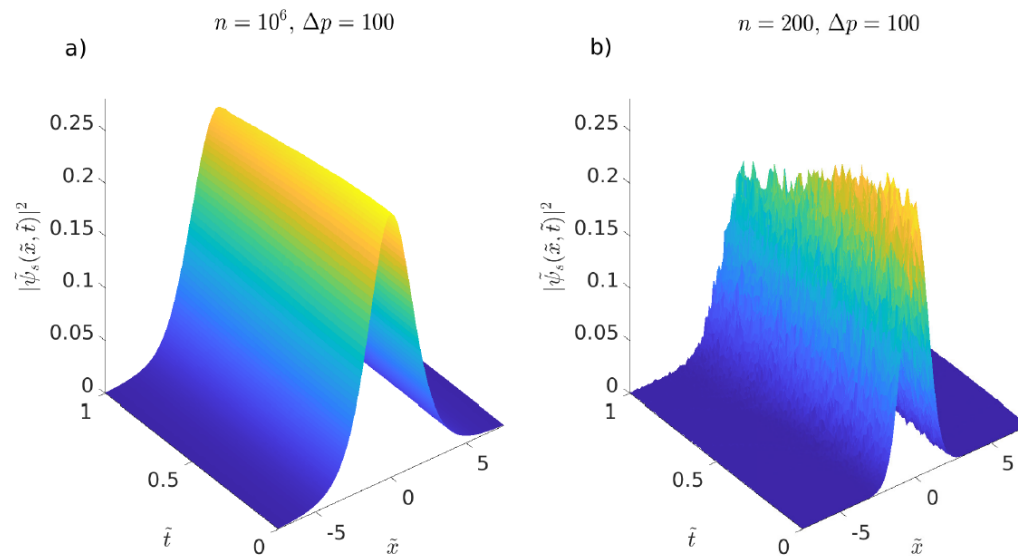
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Lai-Haus Quantum Soliton

$$|\psi_s\rangle|_{t=0} = \int dp g(p) |\alpha(p)\rangle,$$

$$\psi_s(x) := \langle \psi_s | \hat{\Phi}(x, 0) | \psi_s \rangle \simeq \frac{n_0}{2} \sqrt{|c|} \operatorname{sech} \left(\frac{|c|n_0}{2} x \right) e^{-(\Delta p x)^2},$$

Gaussian distribution: $g(p) = \exp(-p^2/2\Delta p^2)/(\sqrt{\pi}\Delta p)^{1/2}$.



Quantum noise ($\propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_0}}$) causes phase fluctuations:
photons phase relation is broken and Qs spread out!
Qs are no more propagation invariant as CSs!

Quantum Peregrine Soliton Generation: Quantum nonlinear waves

$$i\psi_t = -\psi_{xx} + 2c|\psi|^2\psi \quad H = \int \left(|\psi_x|^2 + c|\psi|^4 \right) dx$$

Second Quantized Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation:

$$i\hat{\Phi}_t = -\hat{\Phi}_{xx} + 2c\hat{\Phi}^\dagger\hat{\Phi}\hat{\Phi},$$

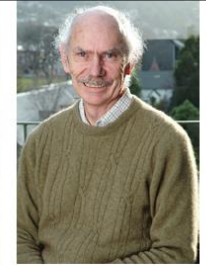
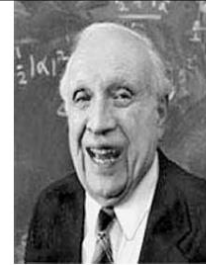
$\hat{\Phi}(x, t)$ is the field operator.

$$\psi(x, t) := \langle \text{extreme} | \hat{\Phi}(x, t) | \text{extreme} \rangle \xrightarrow{n_0 \gg 1} \psi_{\text{extr}}(x, t).$$

Quantum Peregrine Soliton Generation: Our approach to quantum NLSE

Positive Glauber-Sudarshan P-representation

It maps a nonlinear field theory into a system of stochastic differential equations.



Glauber & Sudarshan 1963,
Gardiner & Drummond 1980.



Density matrix $\hat{\rho}$ expanded in two sets of coherent states, spanned by complex parameters α and β :

$$\hat{\rho} = \int P(\alpha, \beta) \frac{|\alpha\rangle\langle\beta^*|}{\langle\beta^*|\alpha\rangle} d^2\alpha d^2\beta$$

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Quantum Peregrine Soliton Generation: Our approach to quantum NLSE

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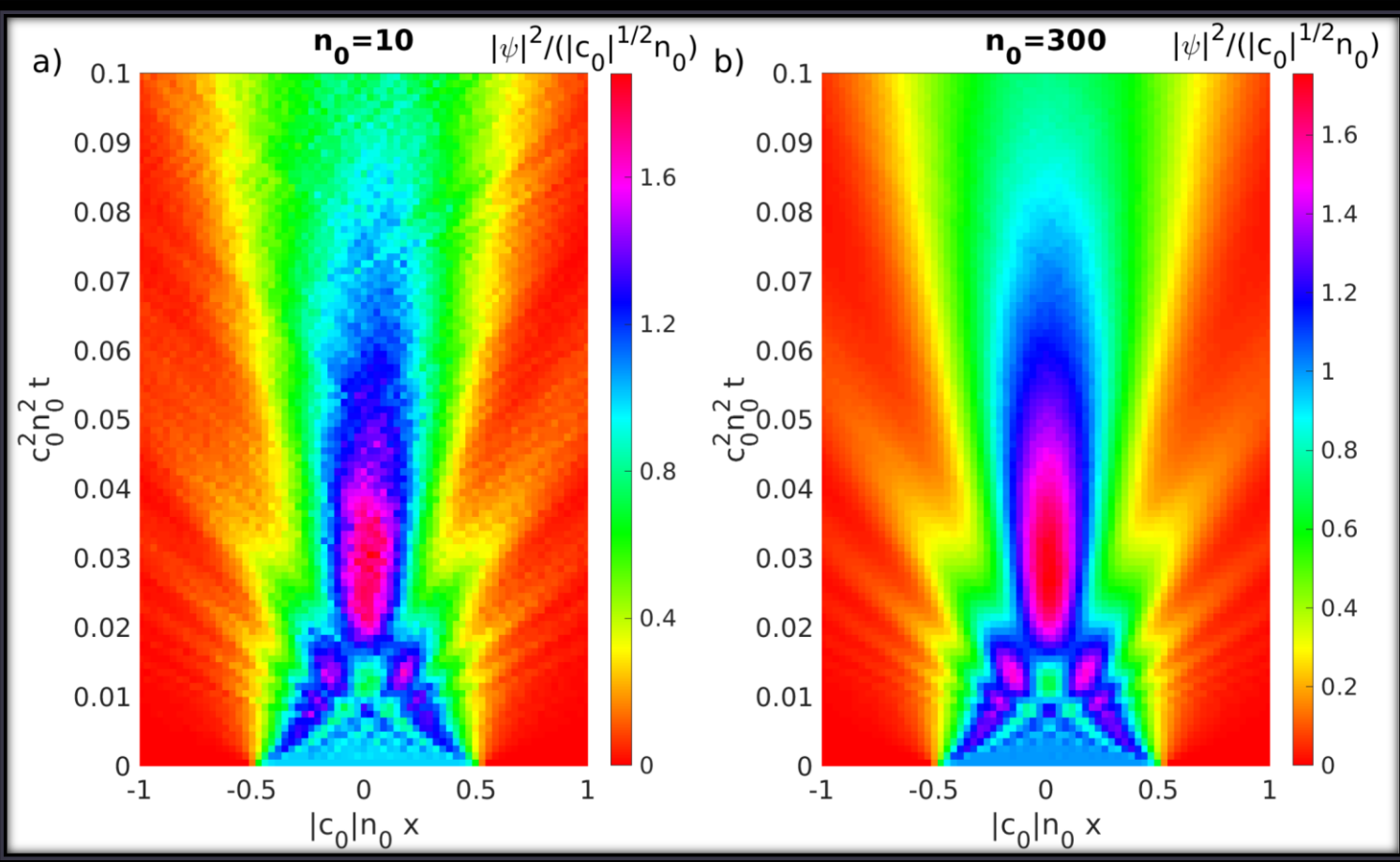
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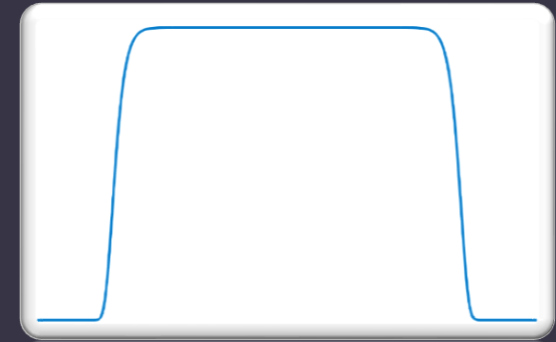
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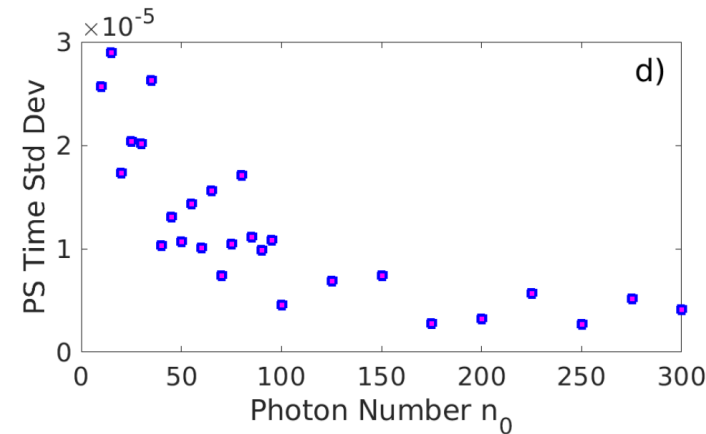
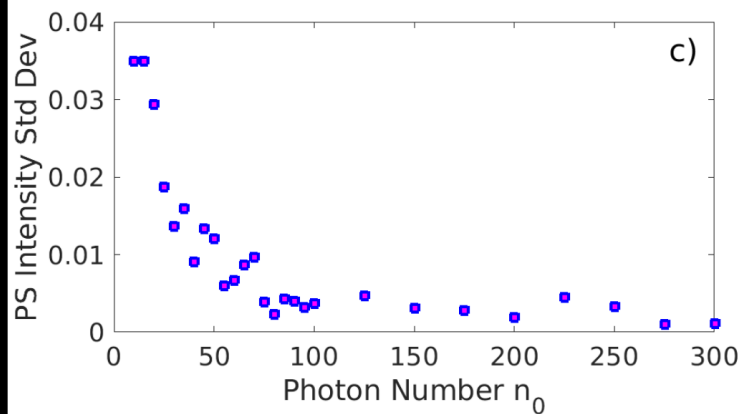
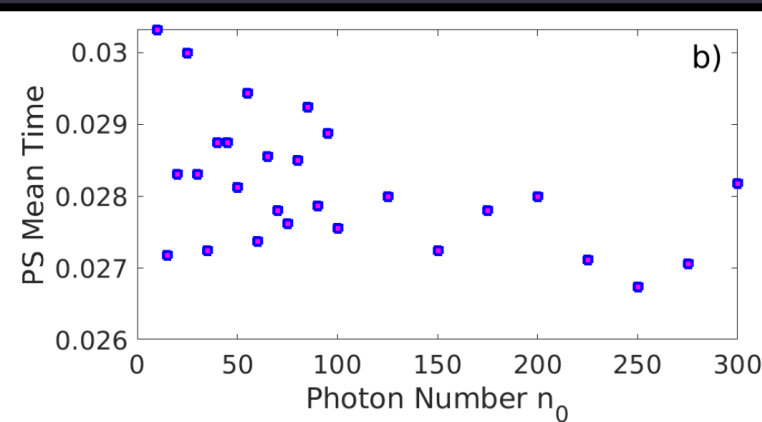
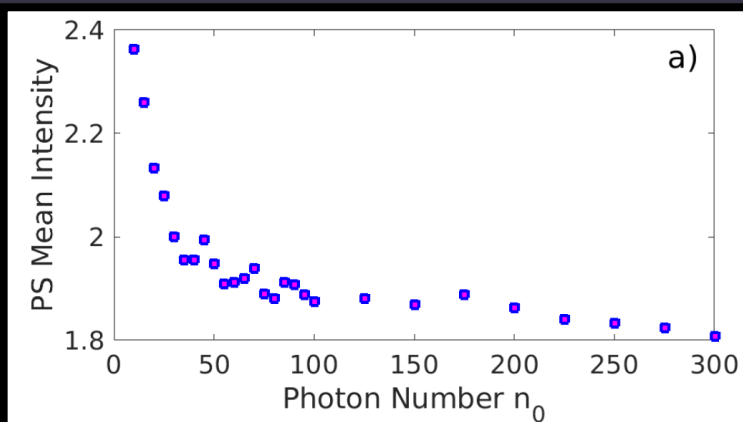
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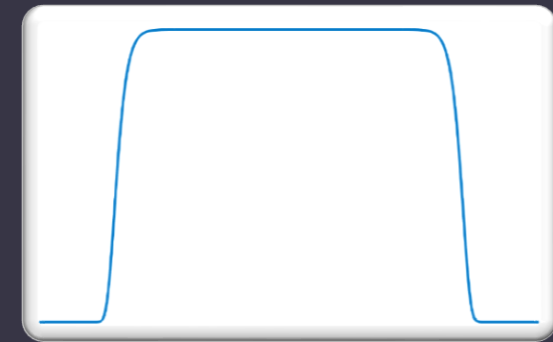
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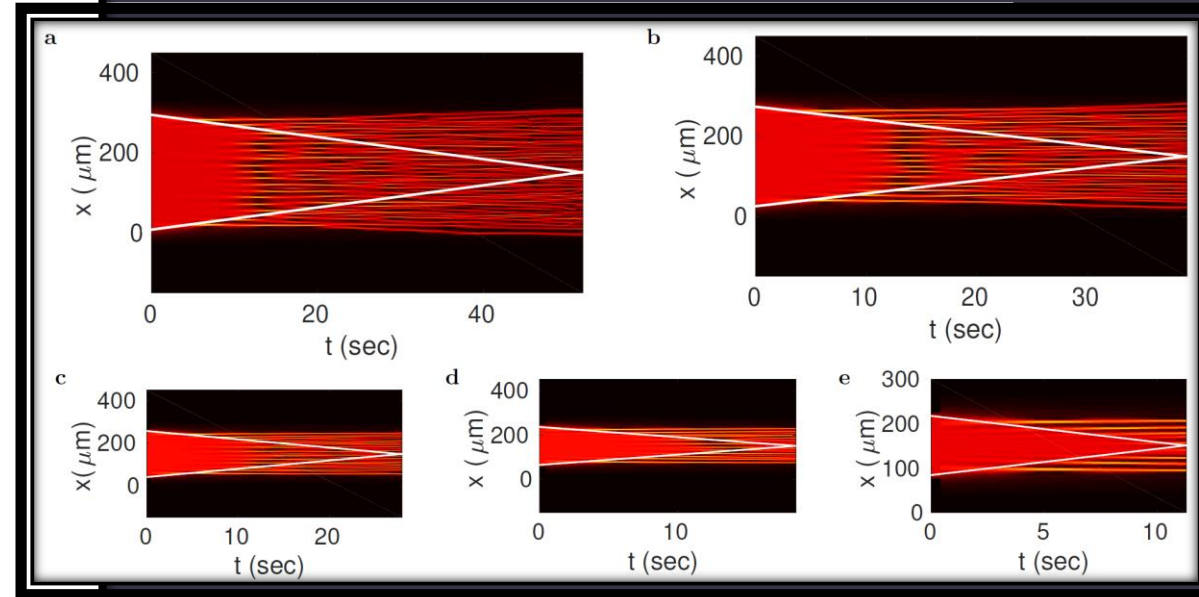
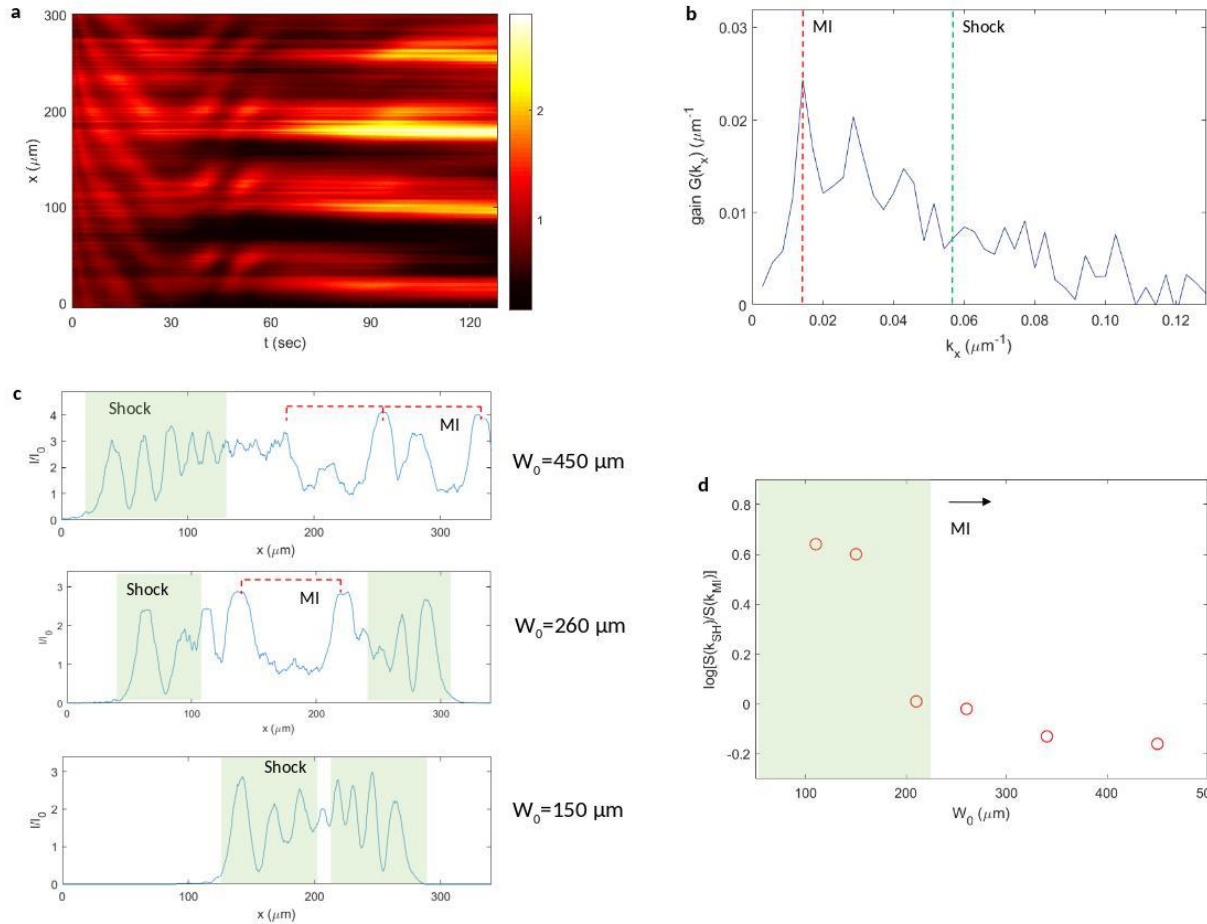
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