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**16 years of experiments on the atomic kicked rotor!**

**Chaos, disorder in dynamical ultracold atom systems**

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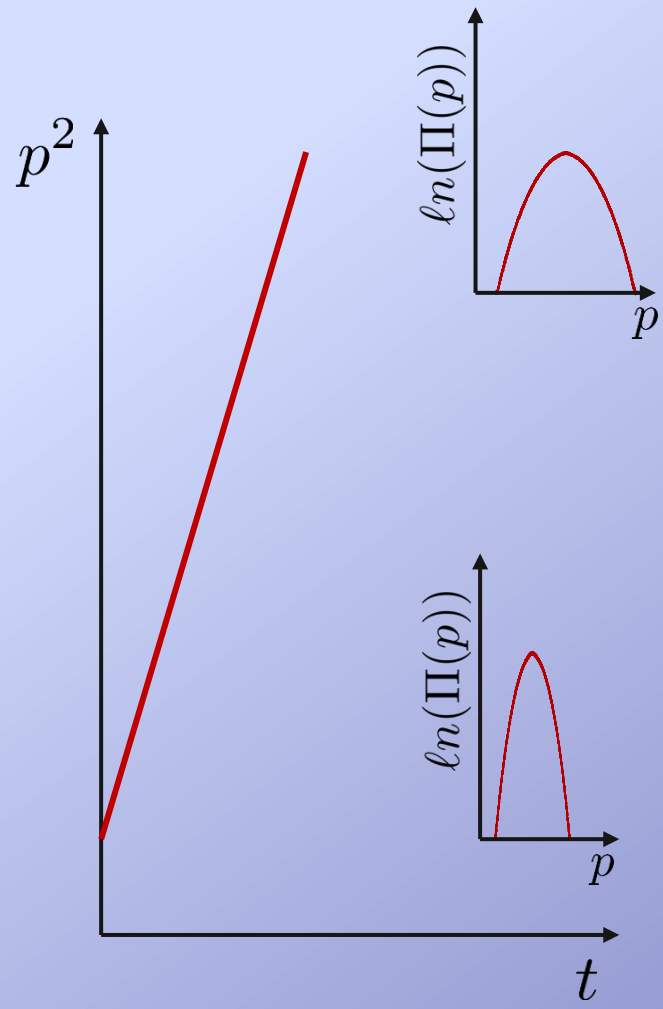
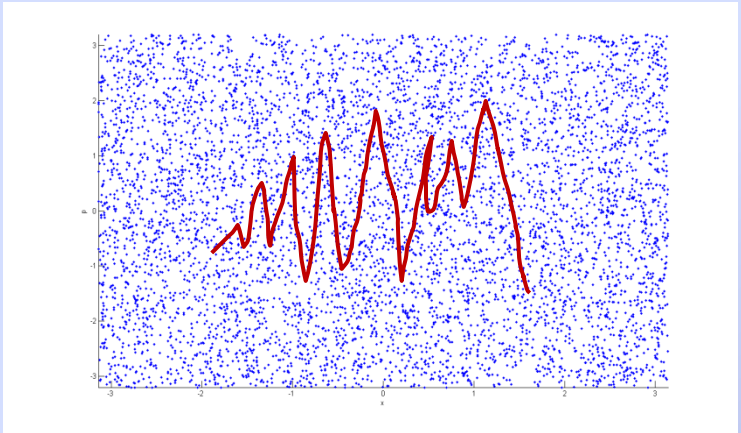
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*The kicked rotor: A paradigm of classical and quantum chaos*

# Kicked rotor: Chaotic diffusion in phase space

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2} + K \cos x \sum_n \delta(t - n)$$

$$K \geq 5$$



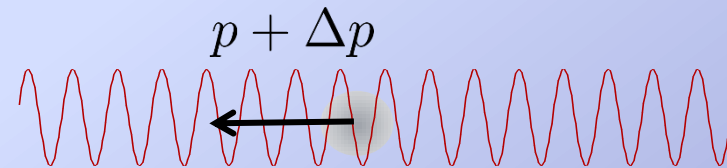
*The atomic kicked rotor: An almost ideal  
"quantum simulator"*

# The "unfolded" kicked rotor

*Free motion*

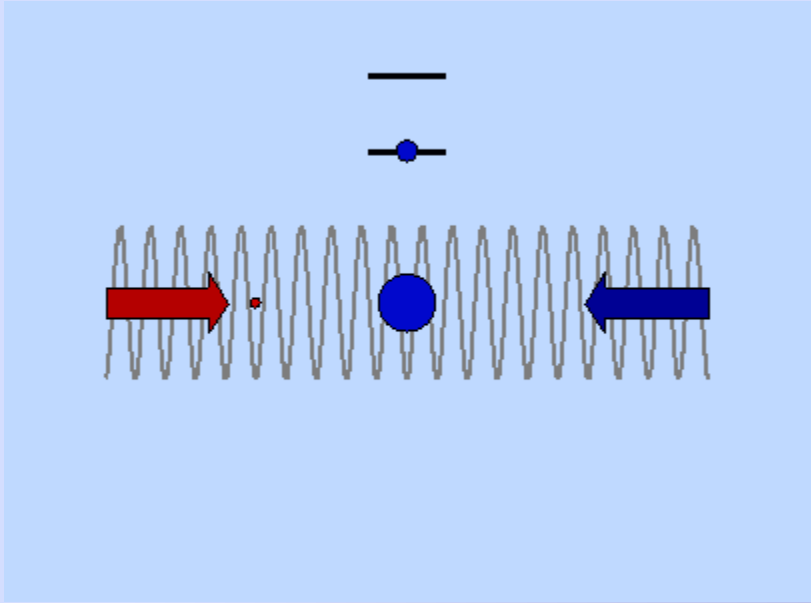


*Kick*



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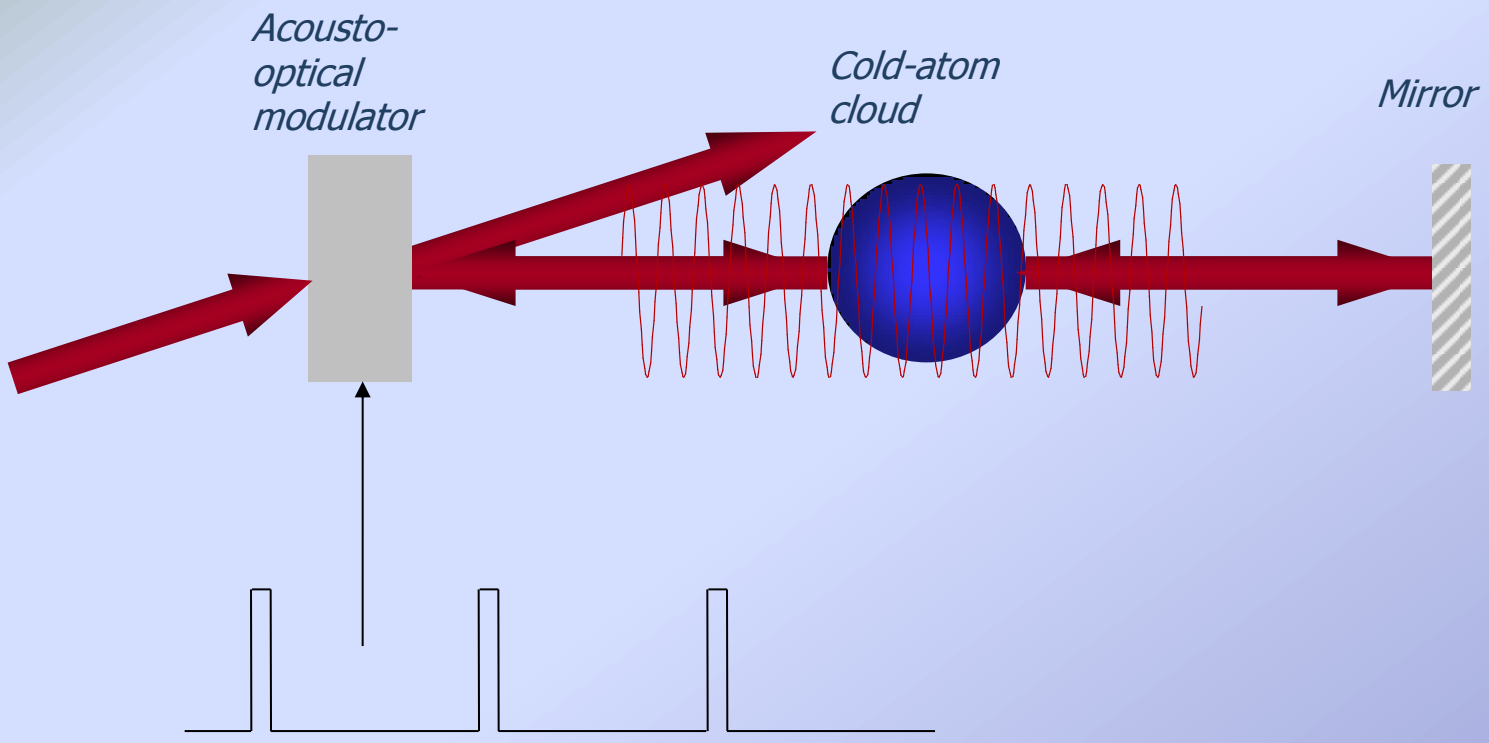
$$[x, p] = i\hbar$$



$$p_{\text{after}} = p_{\text{before}} + 2\hbar k$$

"Optical potential"  $V(x) \sim \frac{I}{\Delta} \rightarrow I_0 \cos(2kx)$

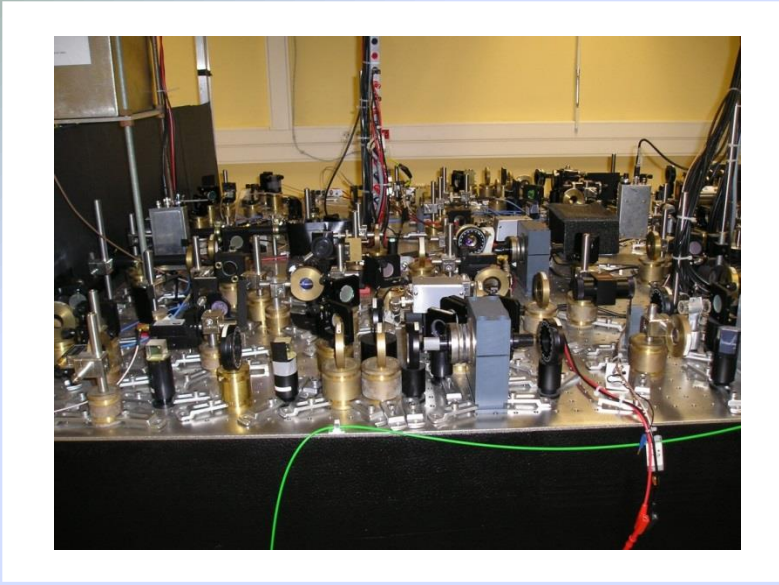
# Doing it with cold atoms



$$H = \frac{p^2}{2} + K \cos x \sum_n \delta(t - n)$$

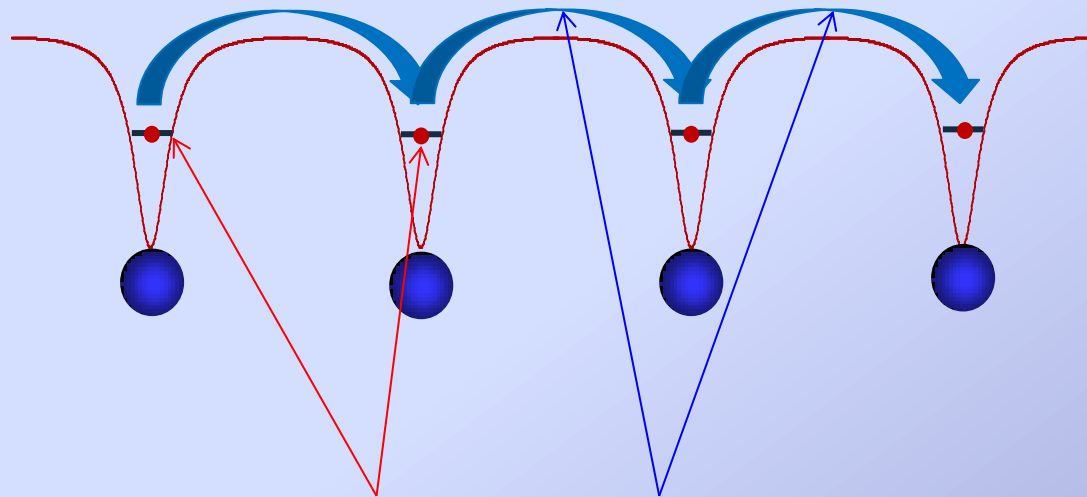


# Doing it with cold atoms



*Probing quantum disordered systems with ultracold atoms*

Tight-binding

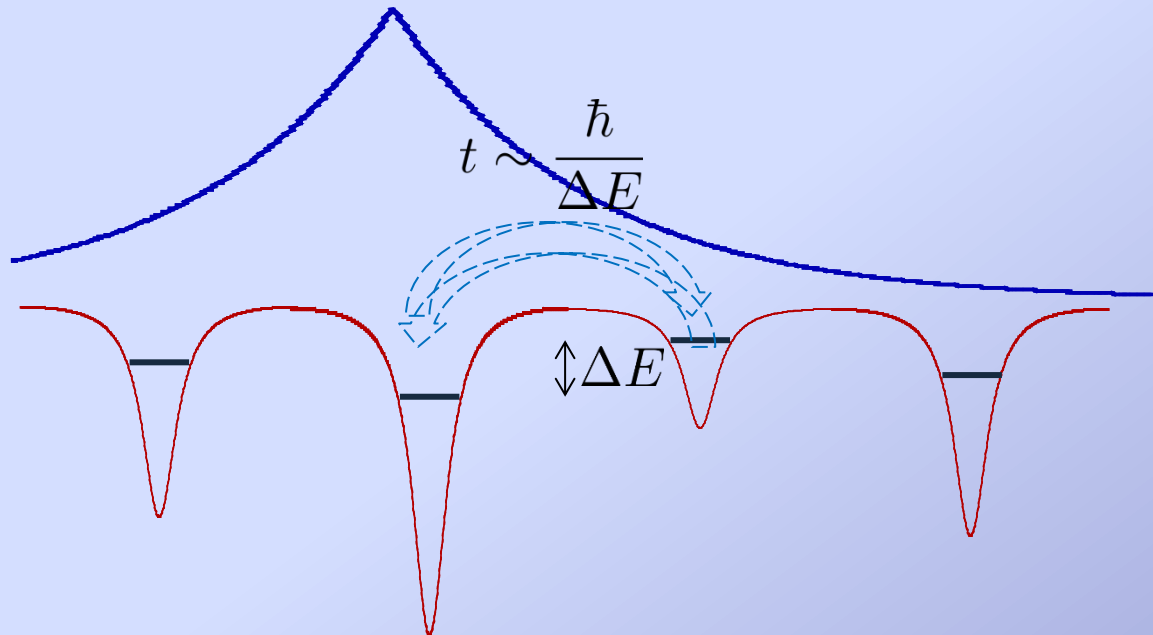


$$Hu_n = V_n u_n + T u_{n+1} + T u_{n-1}$$

Anderson

Random:  $-\frac{W}{2} \leq V_n \leq \frac{W}{2}$

# Simple picture of the Anderson transition



$$H u_n = V_n u_n + T u_{n+1} + T u_{n-1}$$

$$\text{Number of visited sites} \sim \frac{\text{Absence time} \sim \hbar / \Delta E \sim \hbar / W}{\text{Hopping time} \sim \hbar / T} \sim \frac{T}{W}$$

$\frac{T}{W} \ll 1$  *Localization*

$\frac{T}{W} \gg 1$  *Diffusion (3D)*

*3D: Quantum phase transition*

## The Anderson model

- 1D : Exponential localization of the eigenfunctions
- Suppression of the diffusion  $\rightarrow$  Insulator
- 3D  $\rightarrow$  « Mobility edge »  $\rightarrow$  Metal-insulator transition

$$\psi \sim \exp\left(\frac{-|x - x_0|}{\xi}\right)$$

*Simulating condensed matter  
systems with ultracold atoms*

## Condensed matter

- Decoherence (ill-defined quantum phases)
- No access to the wave function
- Electron-electron Coulomb interactions

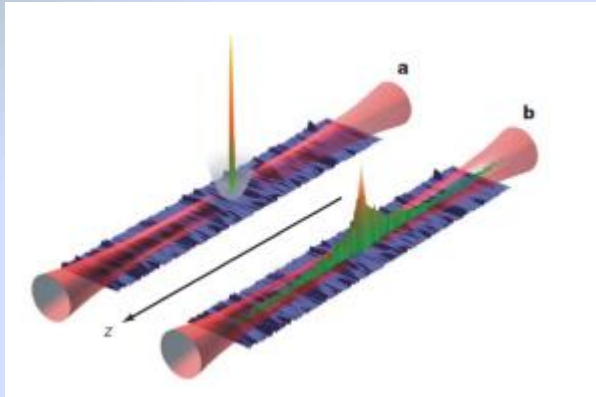
## Ultracold atoms

- Control of decoherence
- Access to probability distributions (and even the full wavefunction)
- Control of interactions (Feshbach resonances)



# Doing with cold atoms

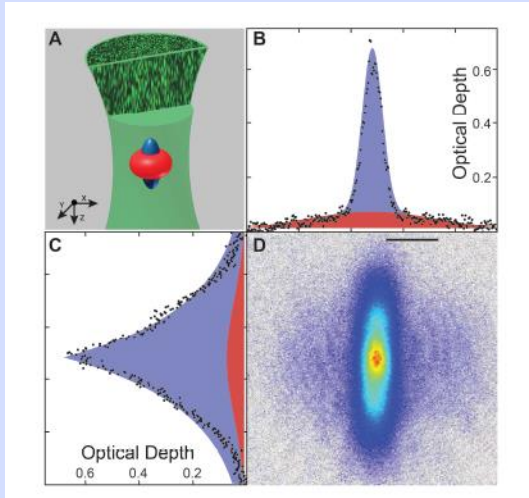
## Palaiseau



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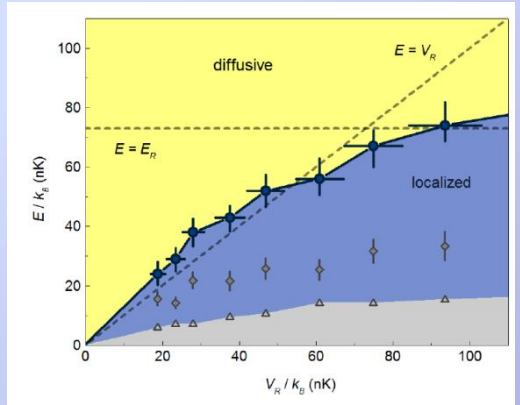
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## Urbana-Champain



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## Florence

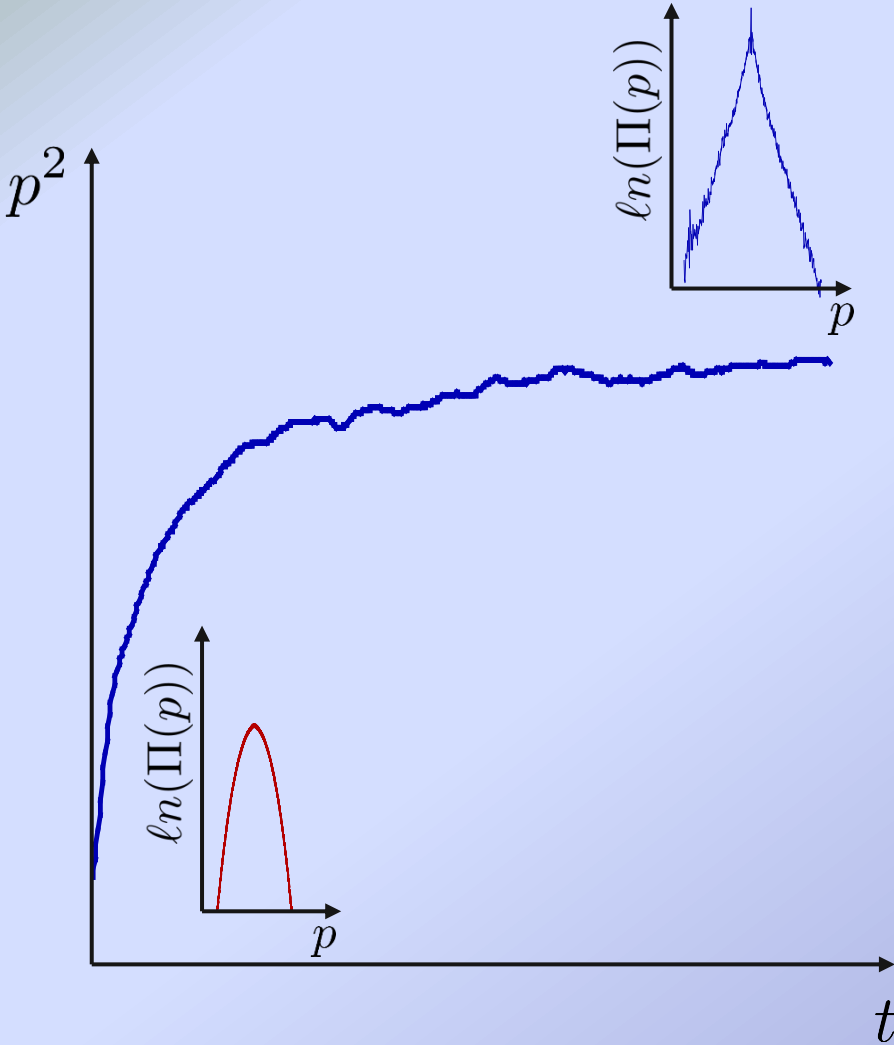


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*Simulating the Anderson model with  
the atomic kicked rotor*

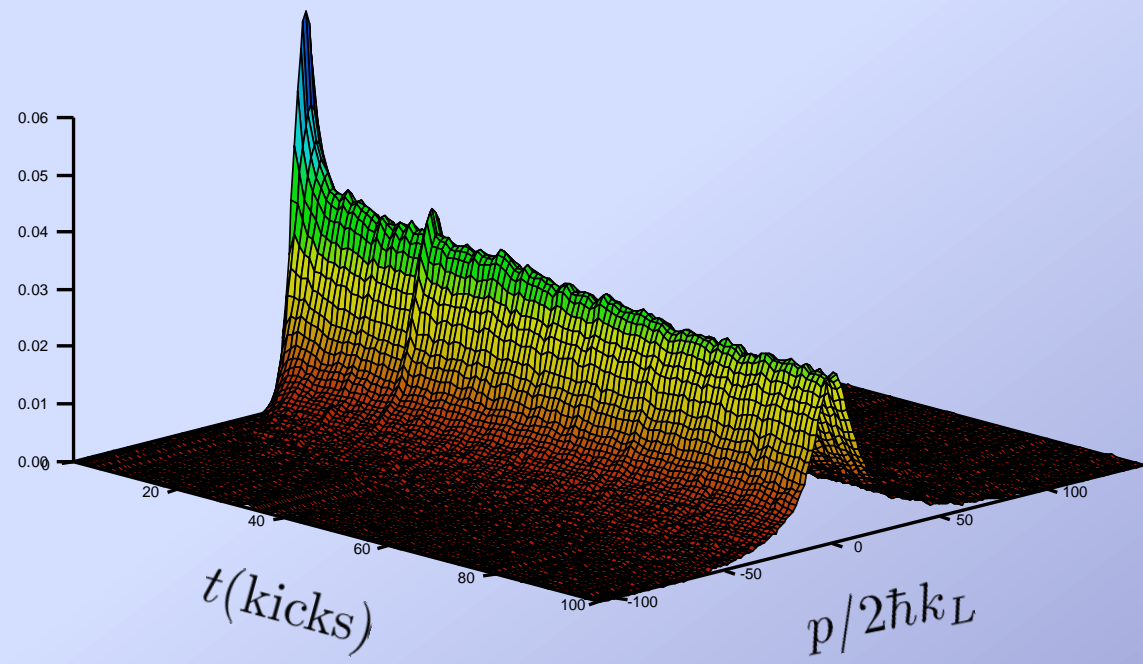
# Dynamical localization



Exponential "localization"  
in momentum space → "dynamical" localization

Can be mathematically mapped into a 1D "Anderson model" which describes disorder in quantum system. Predicts exponential localization in real space

# *Dynamical localization, experiment with the atomic kicked rotor*

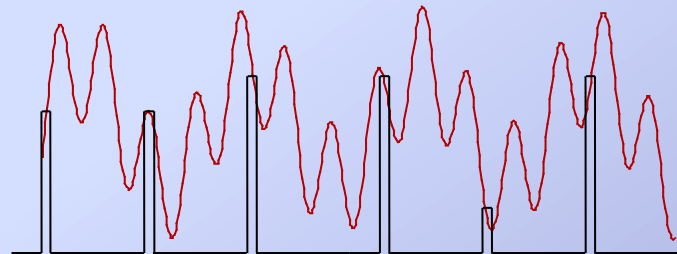


# The Anderson transition

*In 3D "the Anderson model predicts a quantum metal-insulator transition*

*How to do it with the atomic kicked rotor ?*

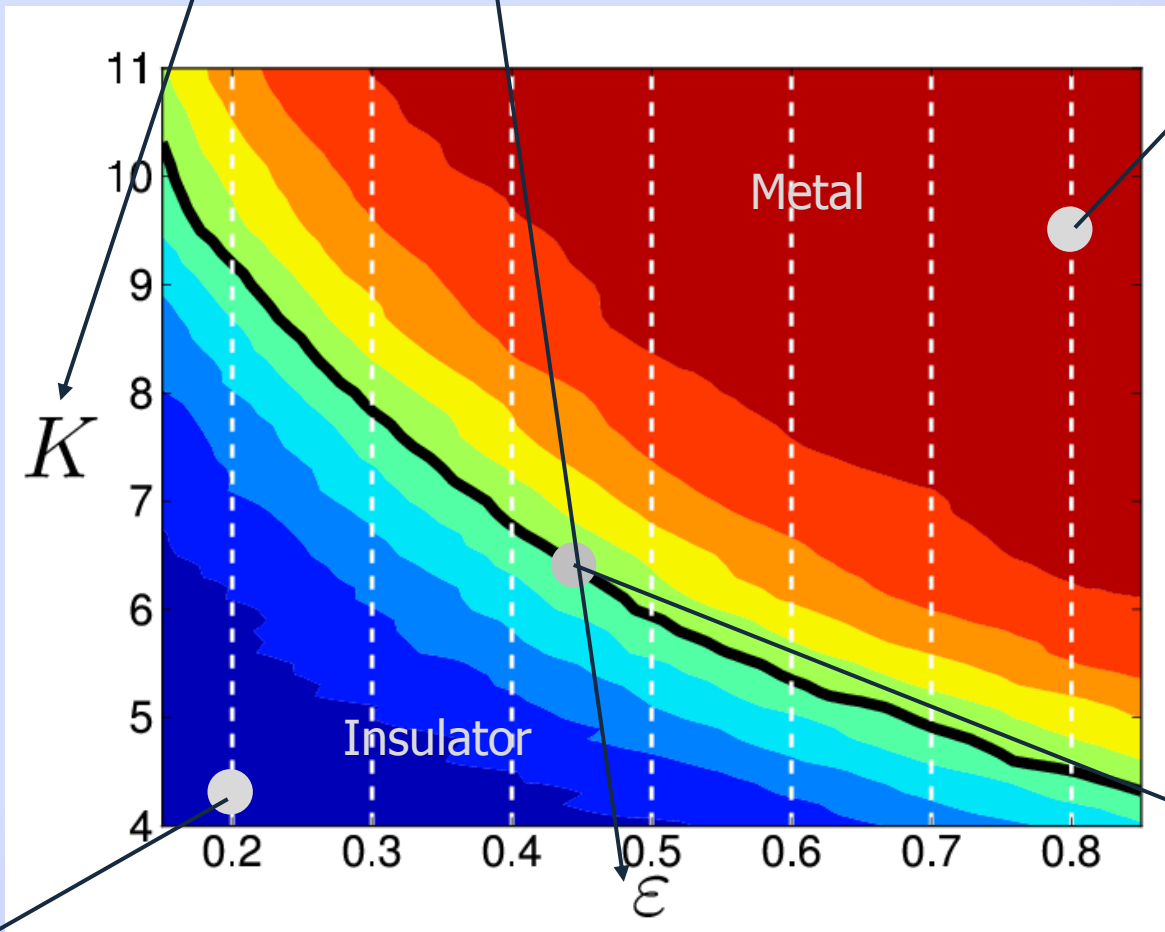
$$H = \frac{p^2}{2} + K \cos x (1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_2 t) \cos(\omega_3 t)) \sum_n \delta(t - n)$$



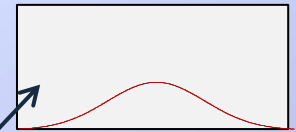
*Maps onto a **3D** Anderson model !!!*

# The Anderson transition

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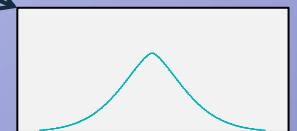
Diffusive



$$p^2 \sim t$$

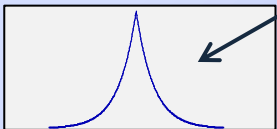
$$p^2 \sim t^{2/3}$$

Critic



$$p^2 \sim \text{cnst.}$$

Localized



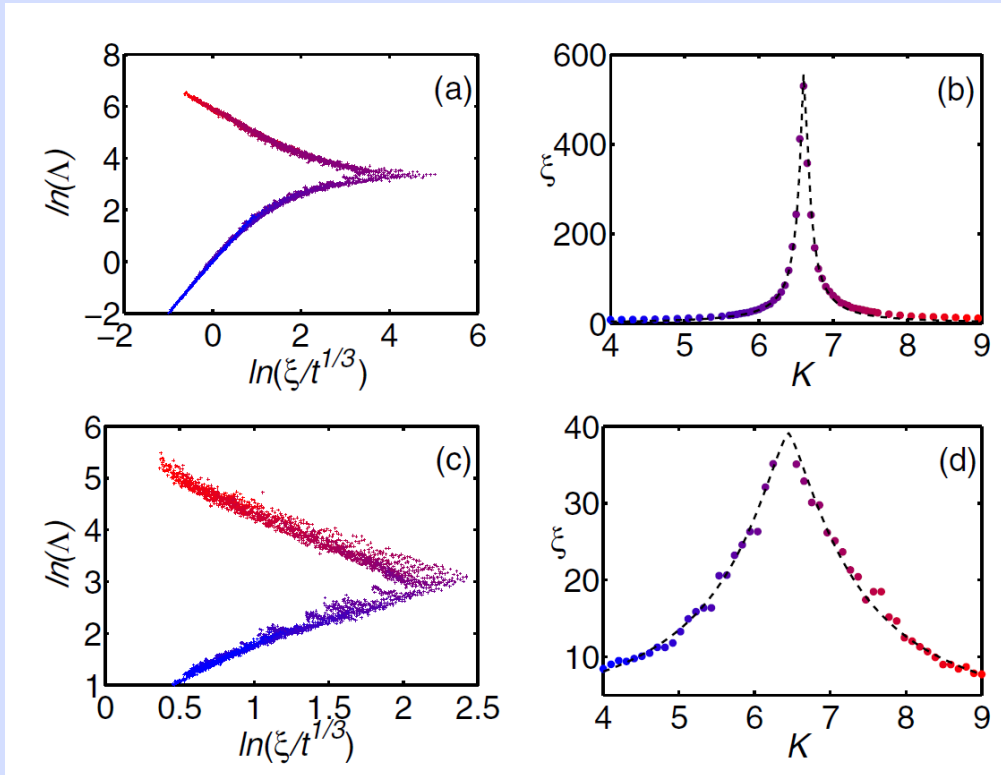


## Experimental Observation of the Anderson Metal-Insulator Transition with Atomic Matter Waves

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*KR, experimental*  
 $\nu = 1.4 \pm 0.3$   
 $= 1.63 \pm 0.05$

*KR, numerical*  
 $\nu = 1.59 \pm 0.01$

*Anderson, numerical*  
 $\nu = 1.571 \pm 0.008$

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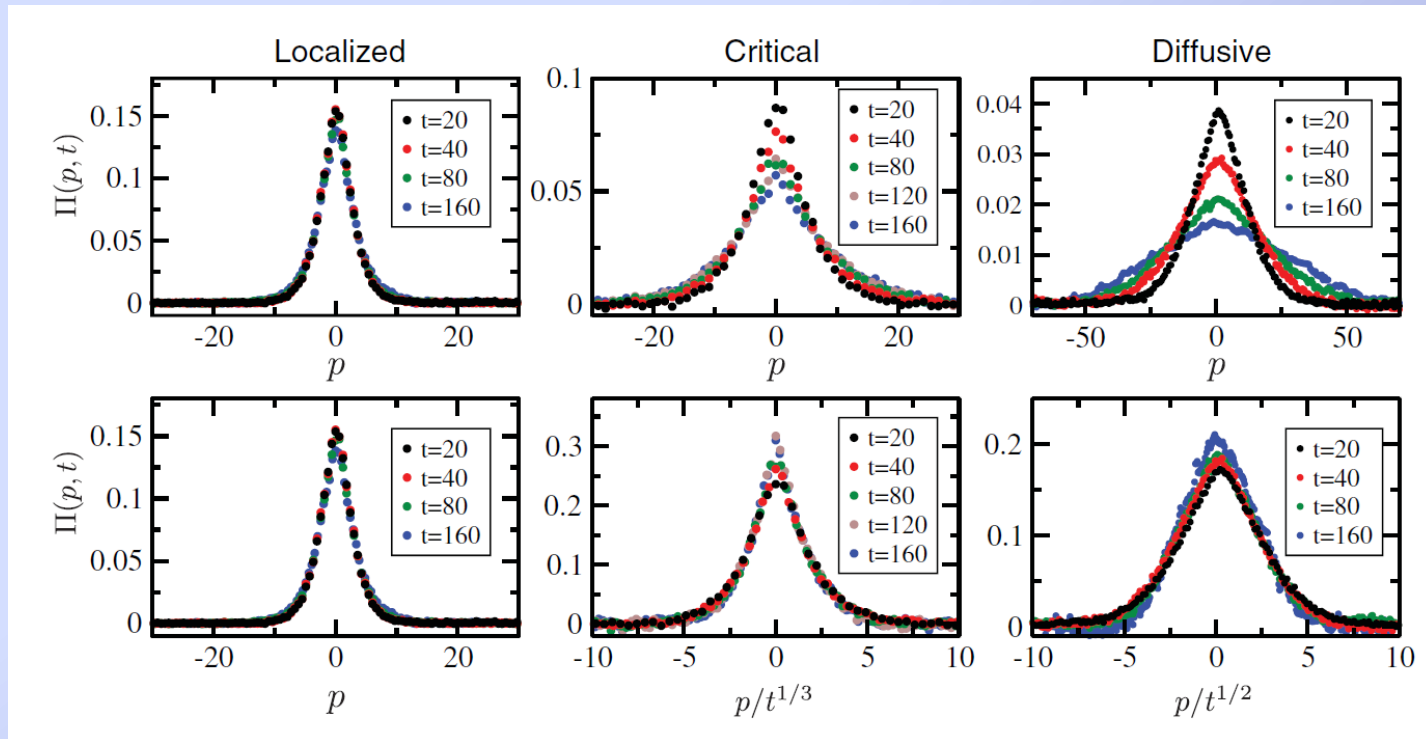


## Critical State of the Anderson Transition: Between a Metal and an Insulator

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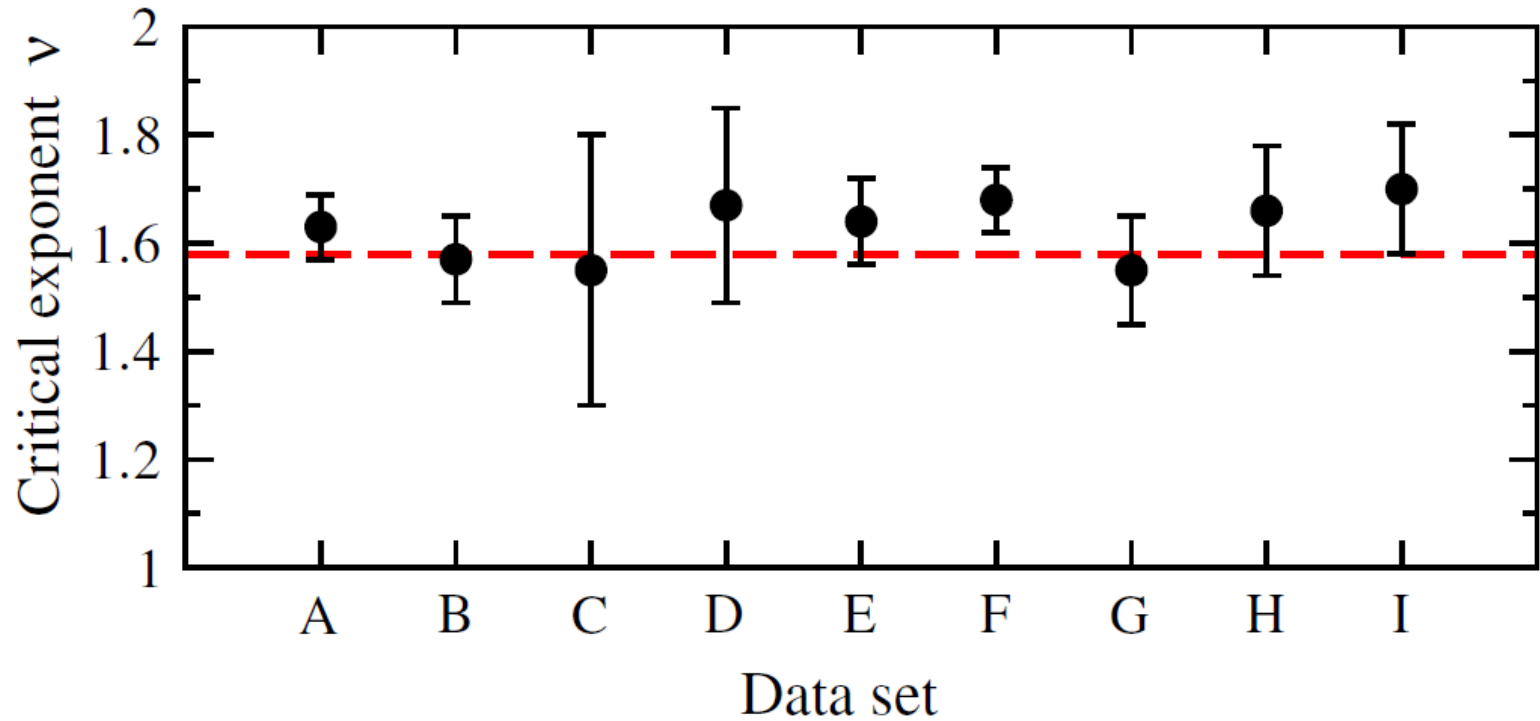


### Experimental Test of Universality of the Anderson Transition

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## Phase diagram of the anisotropic Anderson transition with the atomic kicked rotor: theory and experiment

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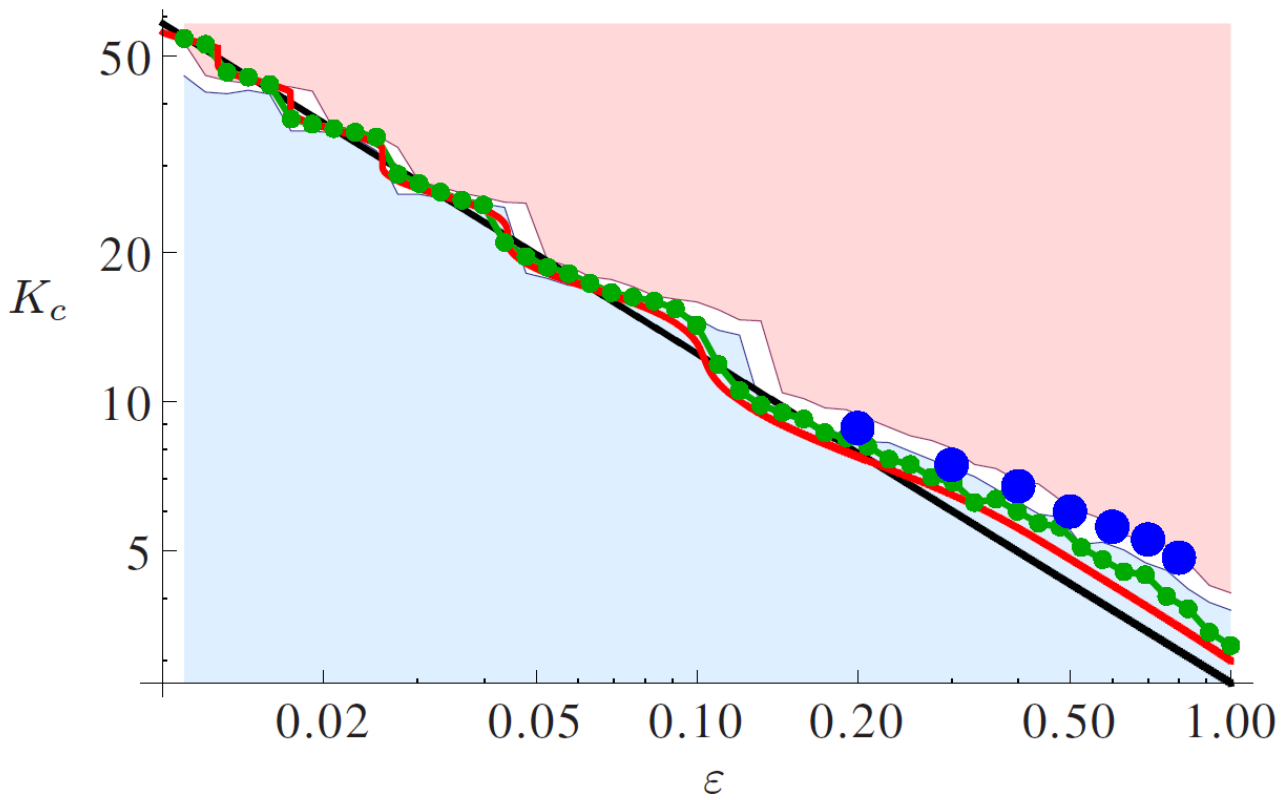
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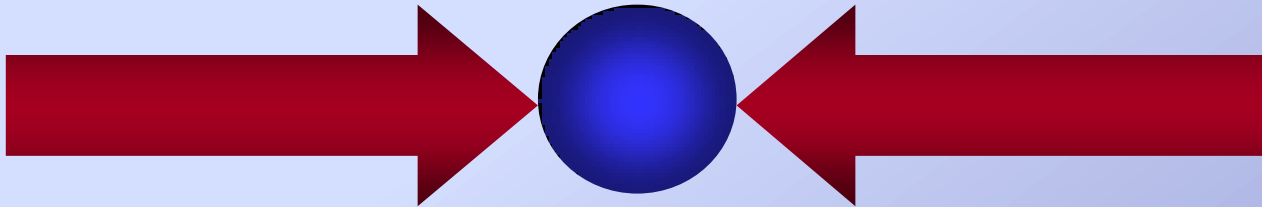
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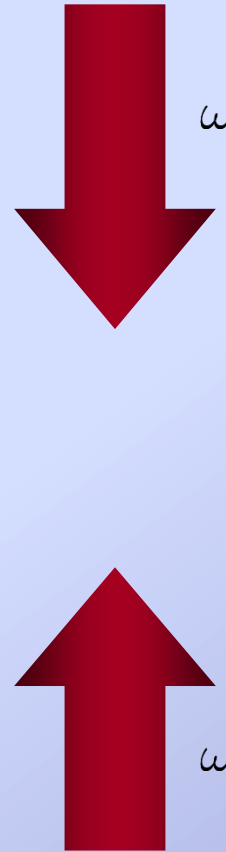
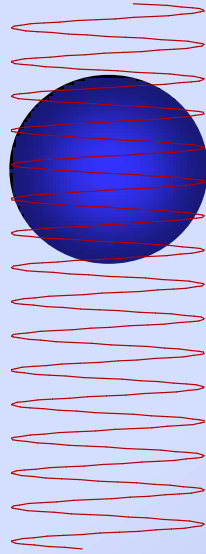
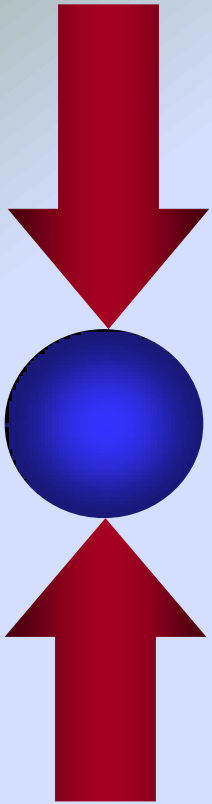
*D = 2 is the "lower critical dimension" for Anderson physics*

*All states are localized but with exponentially large localization length*

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2} + K \cos x (1 + \varepsilon \cos(\omega_2 t)) \sum_n \delta(t - n)$$



*Experiment limited to a few ms*



$$\left| e^{-i(kz - \omega t)} + e^{i(kz + \omega t - \alpha t^2)} \right|^2$$

$$\sim 1 + \cos(2kz - \alpha t^2)$$

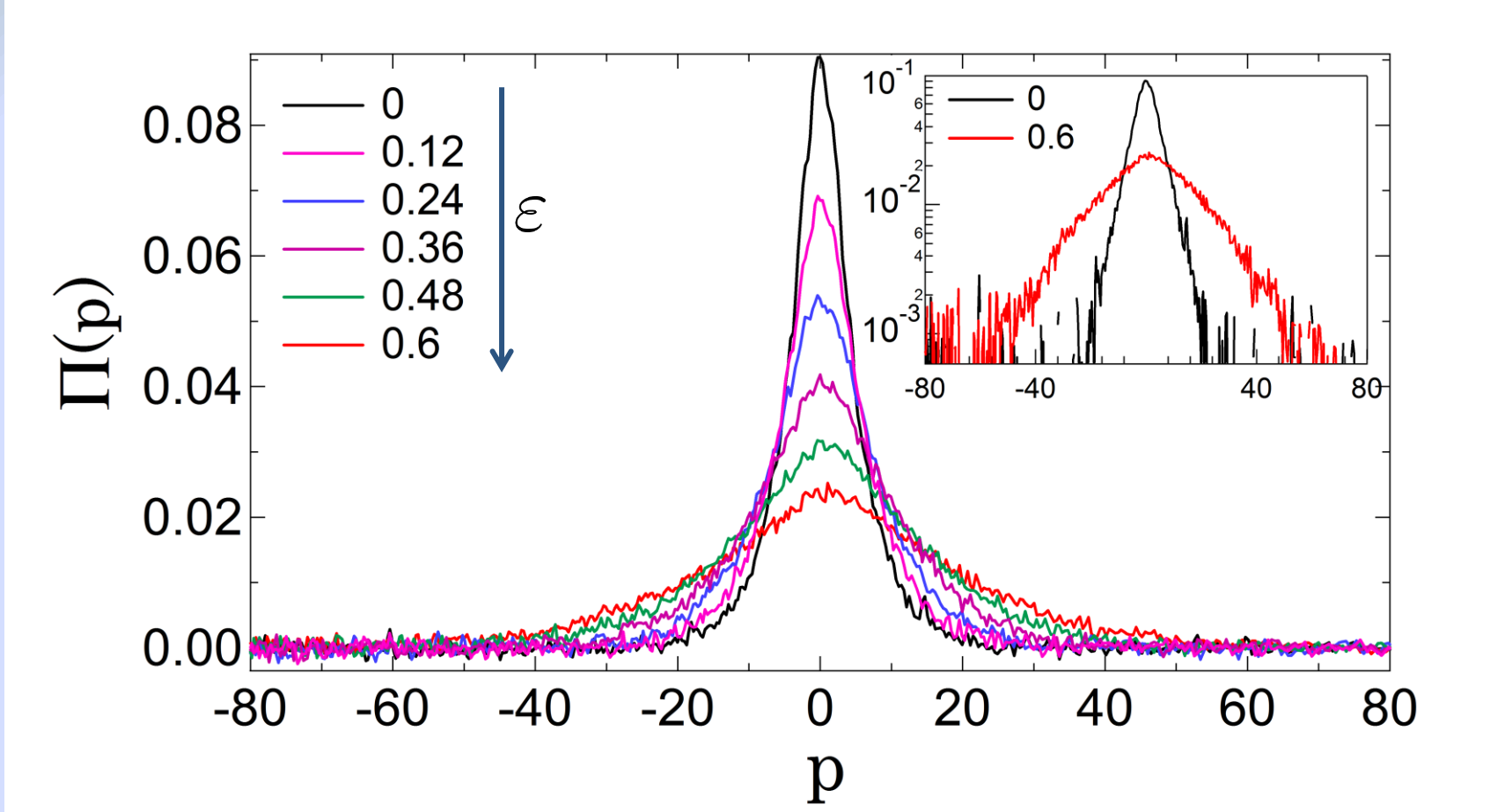
$$z_n = \frac{n\pi + \alpha t^2}{2k}$$

$$g' = \alpha/k$$

**Not** a kicked rotor  
(kicked accelerator)

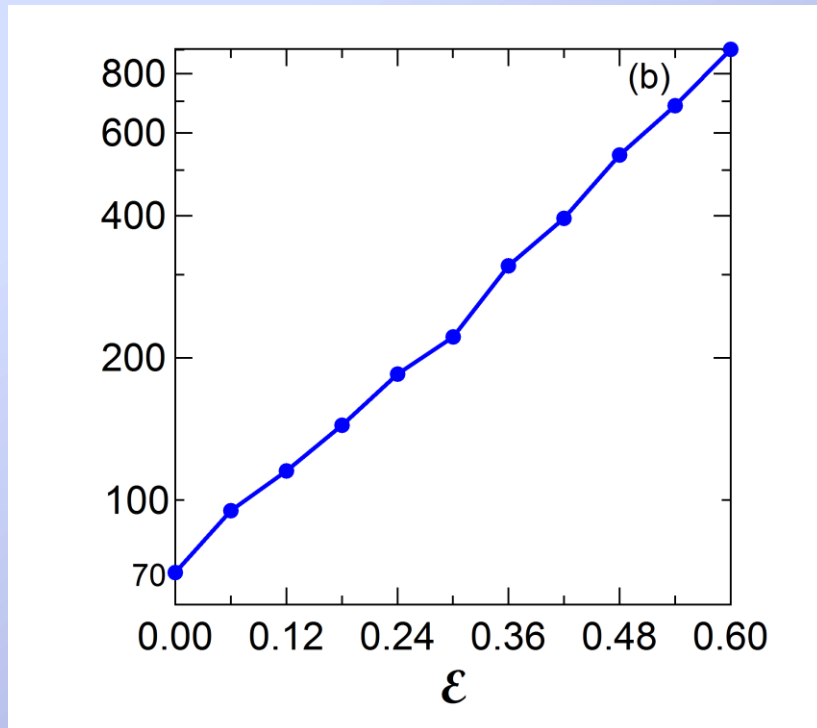
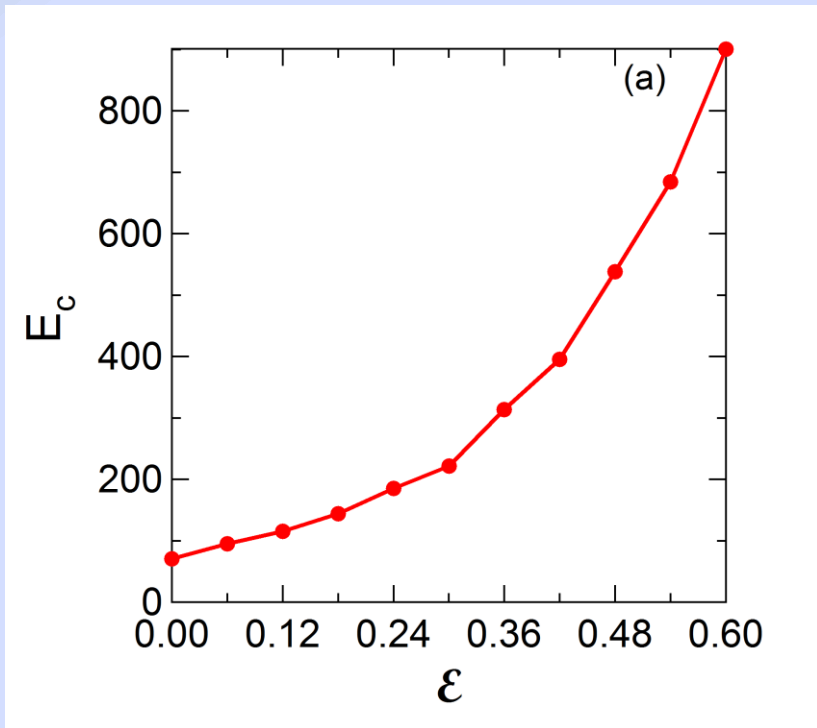
Recent results: 2D Anderson localization (unpublished)

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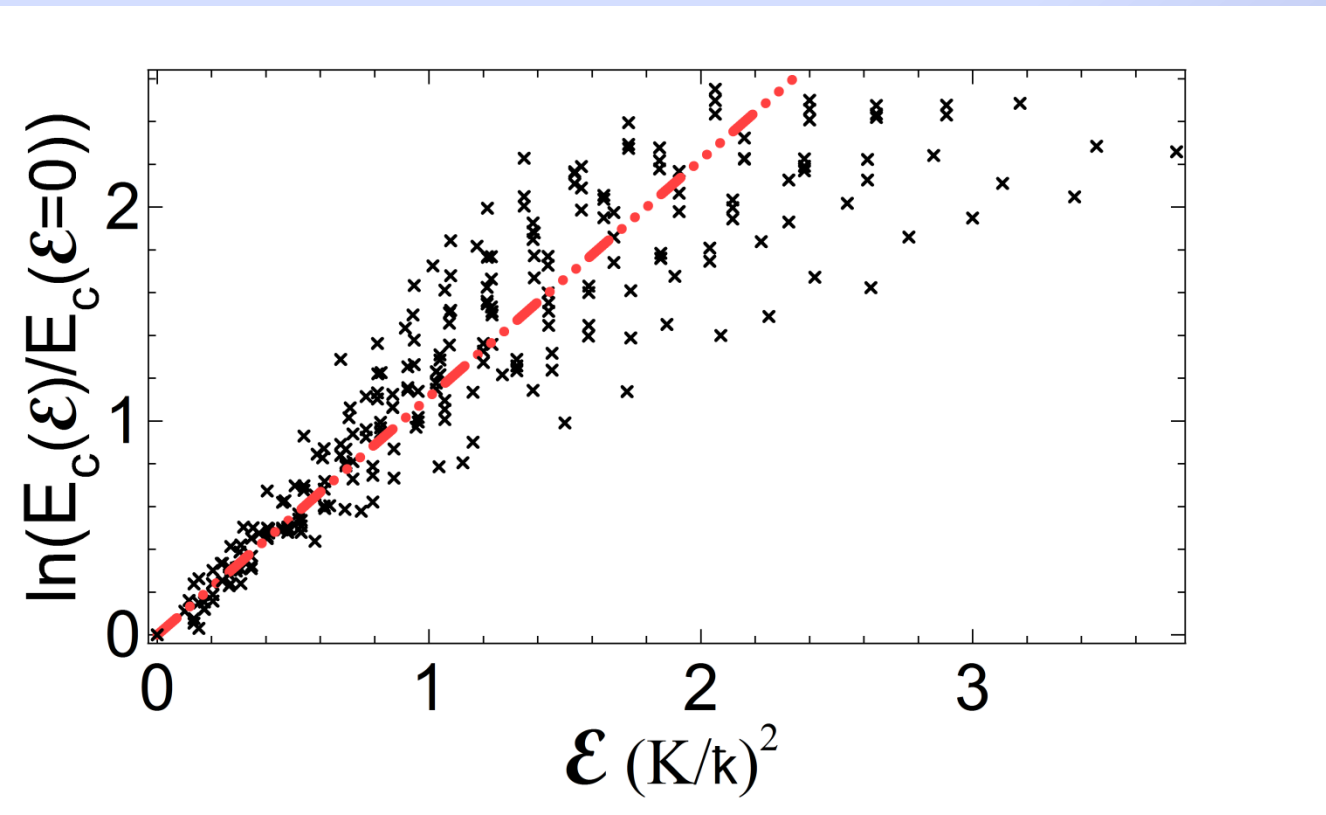


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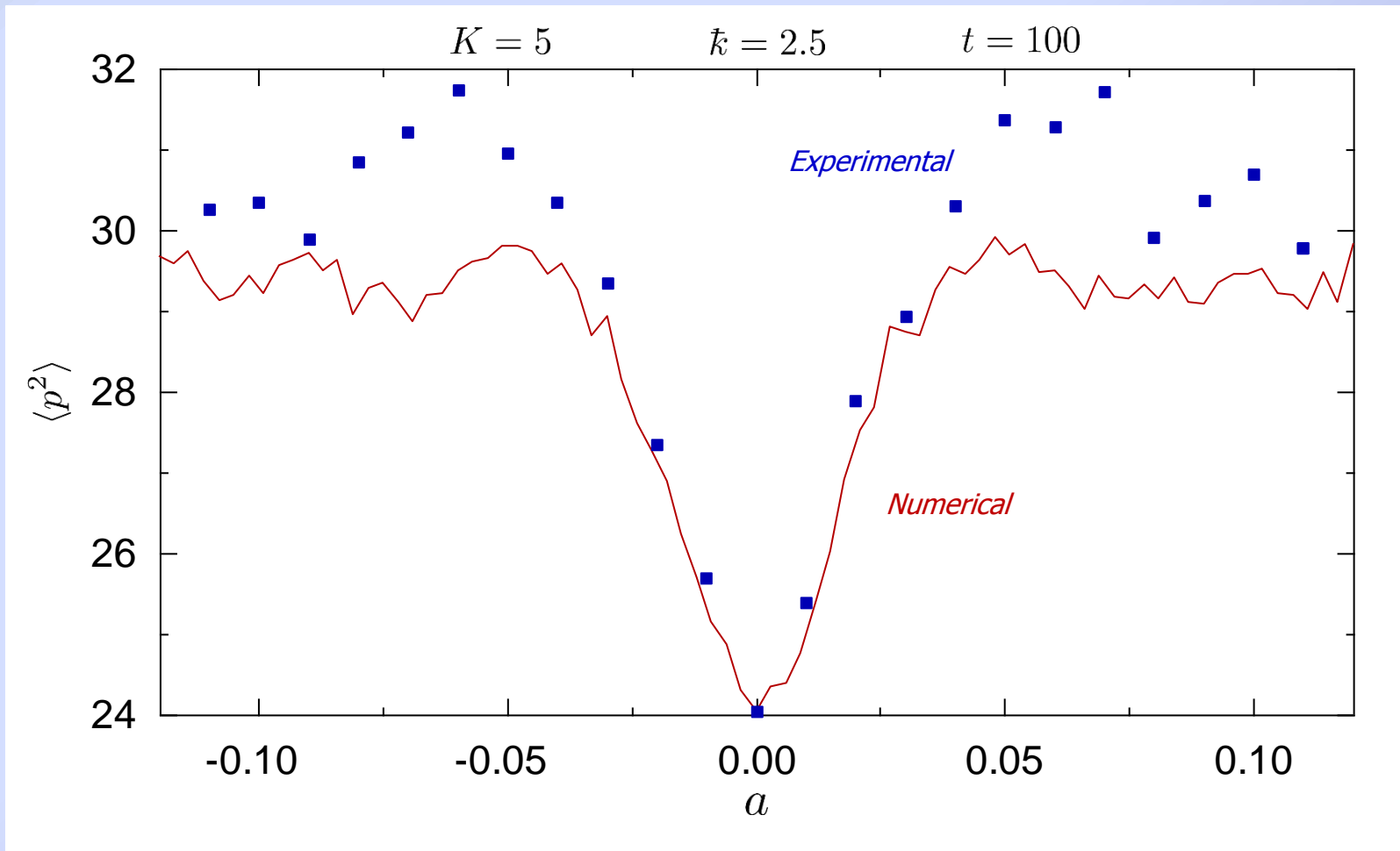


Comparison with the self-consistent prediction



# Breaking the orthogonal symmetry (brand-new preliminary results !)

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2} + K \sum_n [\delta(t - 2n) \cos x + \delta(t - 2n - 1) \cos(x + a)]$$

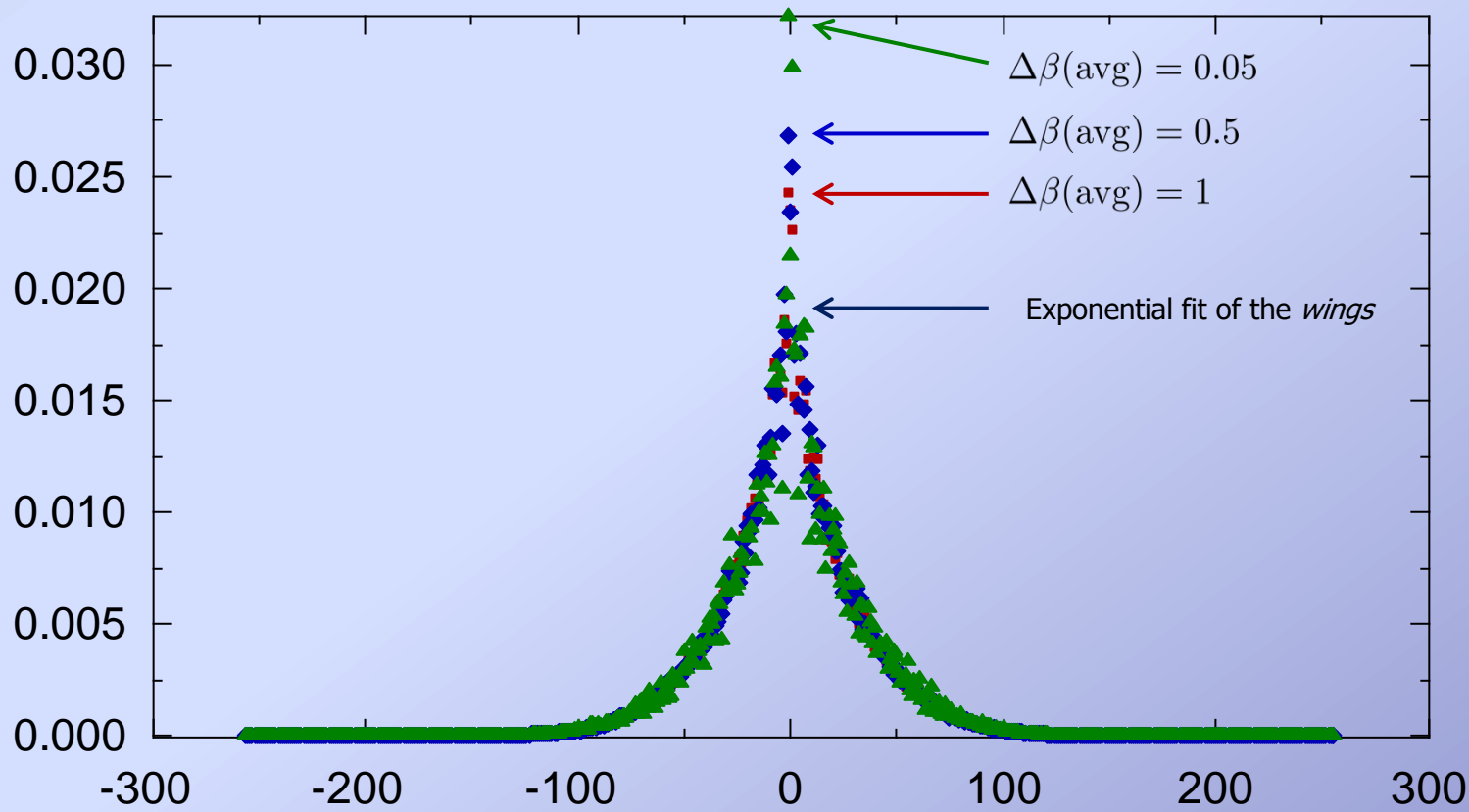


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# Coherent back-scattering (brand-new preliminary results !)

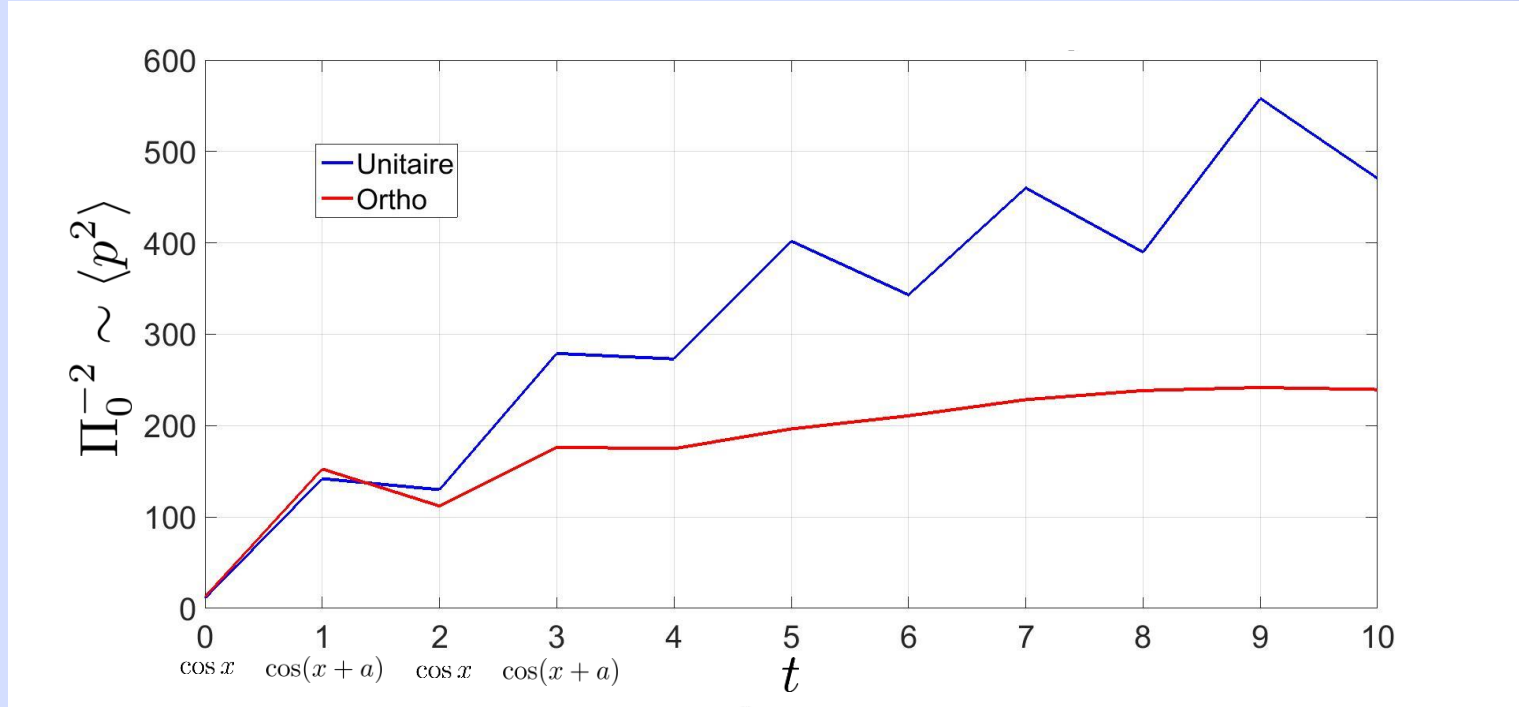
$\Delta\beta$



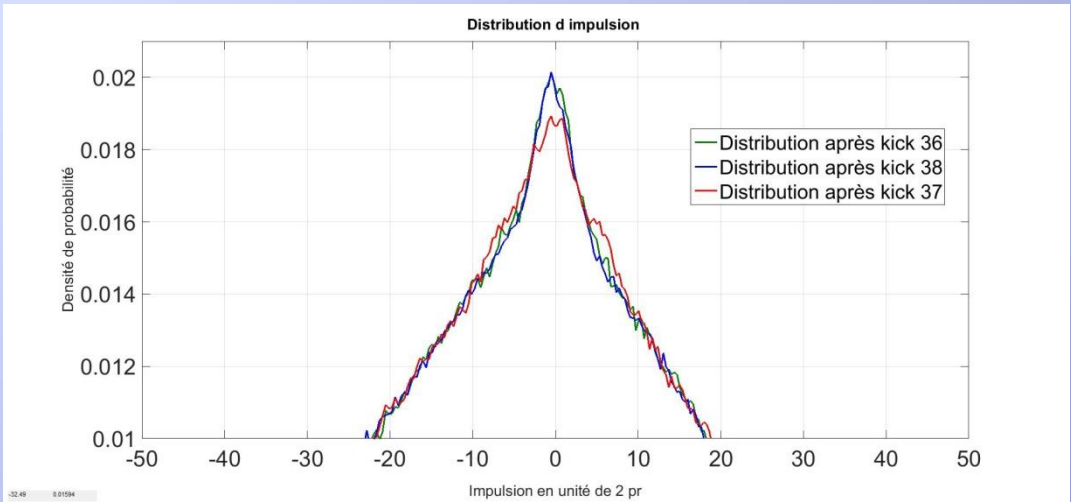
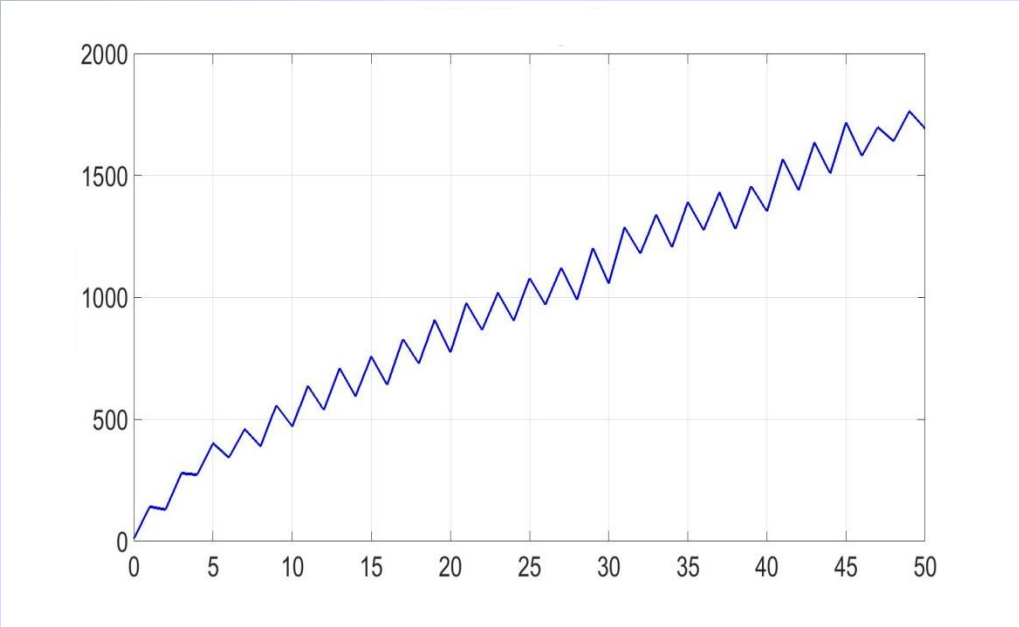


# Coherent back-scattering (brand-new preliminary results !)

*In the unitary case the CBS peak is there only after two kicks!*



# Coherent back-scattering (brand-new preliminary results !)



*Next: Nonlinear interacting systems!*

## Use a Bose-Einstein condensate

Individual atoms → Coherent matter wave

$$i\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\Delta\psi}{2} + V\psi \quad \rightarrow \quad i\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\Delta\psi}{2} + V\psi + g|\psi|^2\psi$$

$$Hu_n = V_n u_n + T_n (u_{n-1} + u_{n+1}) + g|u_n|^2 u_n$$

Nonlinear quantum disorder!

(the ultimate dream – or nightmare – of a quantum-chaotician?)

## The K-BEC project:

Potassium BEC-nonlinear QKR, started 2014, first results expected 2016

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# Conclusion

- Ultracold atom physics is very powerful tool for the study of quantum complexity
- KR as “quantum simulator”
  - *4D Anderson transition*
  - *Anderson transition and interactions*  
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