

# Resonances as a computational tool

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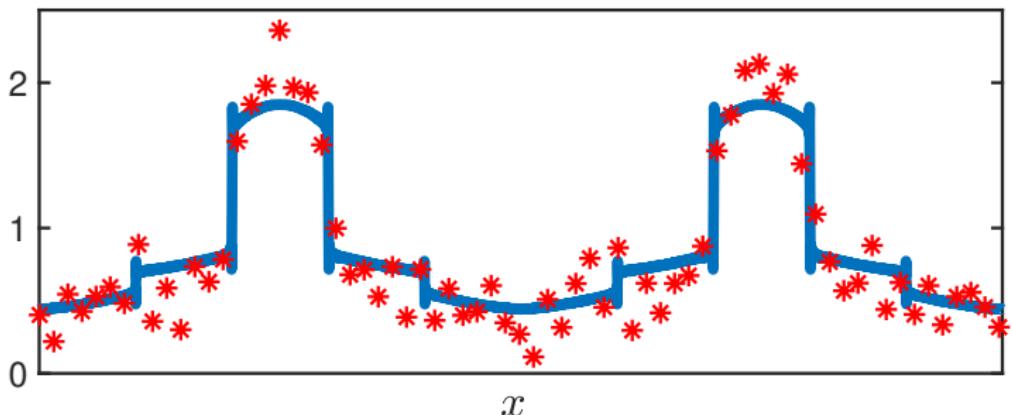
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## Motivation

Numerics for **non-smooth** phenomena  
in nonlinear dispersive PDEs (and beyond) ?

Talbot effect (dispersive quantisation)



blue: exact solution, red: numerical (Strang splitting)

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Theorem (global error): [Holden, Karlsen, Risebro, Tao '12]

$$\|u(t_n) - u^n\|_{H^1} \leq c(t_n) \tau^2 \|u\|_{L_{t_n}^\infty H^6}$$

Assumptions:

- Burger eq is solved exactly
- smooth solutions, e.g.,  $u \in L_{t_n}^\infty H^6$

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- Requires smooth solutions
- Error analysis difficult (at least for me): discrete Bourgain spaces

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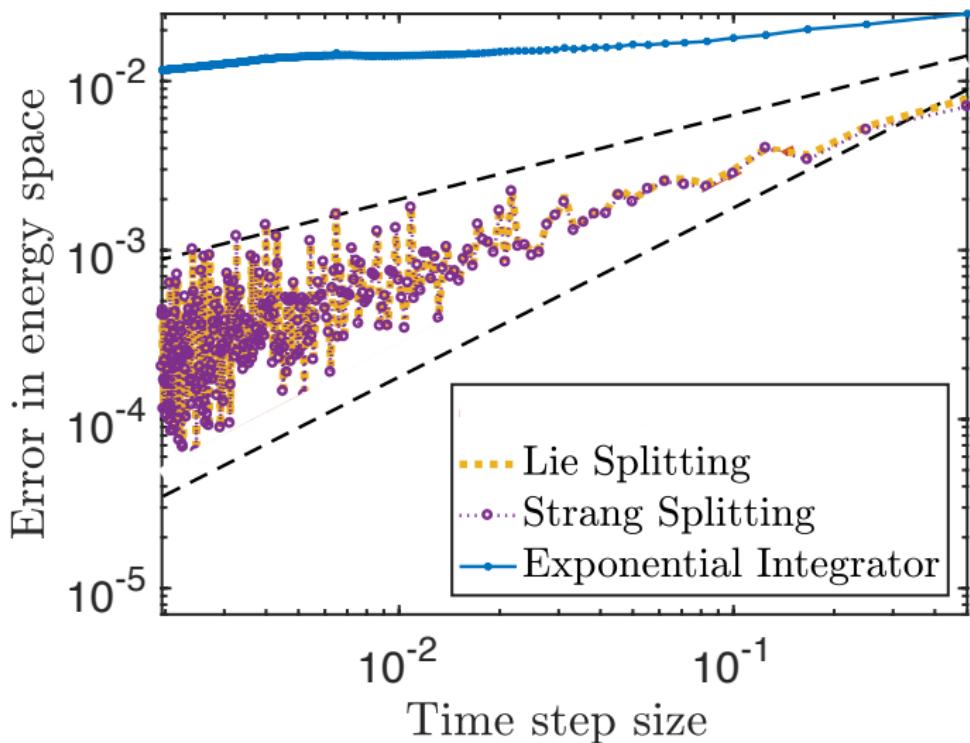
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## Numerical experiment for 'non-smooth' data (Schrödinger with $H^1$ data)



Classical order (dashed lines) : one and two

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Scheme:

$$u^n \mapsto u^{n+1} = e^{-\tau\partial_x^3} u^n - \frac{1}{6} \left[ \partial_x^{-1} \left( e^{-\tau\partial_x^3} u^n \right)^2 - e^{-\tau\partial_x^3} \partial_x^{-1} (u^n)^2 \right]$$

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Comparison with classical methods:

Splitting method:  $R(k, \ell) \approx 0$  for all  $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$

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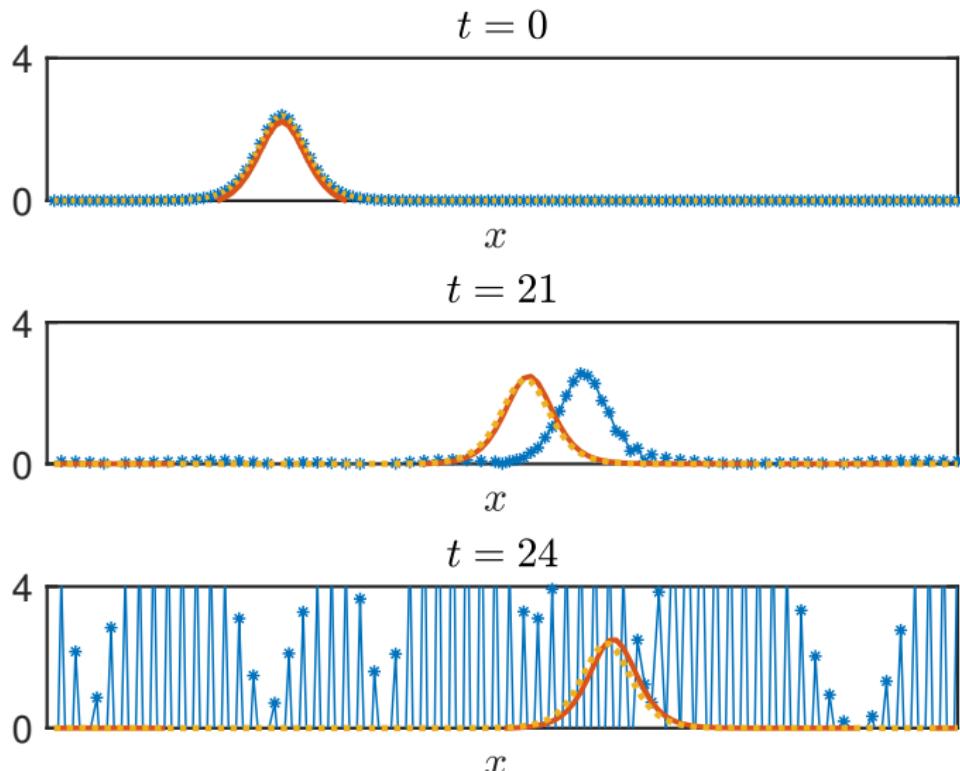


Fig.: simulation of solitary wave solution (orange):  
\* classical method, -- resonance based approach

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## Numerical example: Talbot effect

Cubic Schrödinger equation with step function initial value

For times  $t = \pi\mathbb{Q}$ : We observe quantisation

Analysis for linear dispersive eqs: K. Oskolkov, P. Olver, ...  
for 1d, periodic cubic Schrödinger eq: M.B. Erdogan, N. Tzirakis

# A lot of Questions

## Bottleneck of resonances as a computational tool

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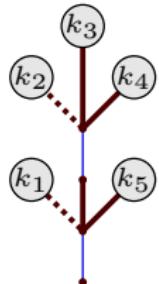
Q2 : Error estimates at **low regularity** ?

Q3 : More **general class of equations** ?

Q4 : **Structure preservation, long time scales, ...?**

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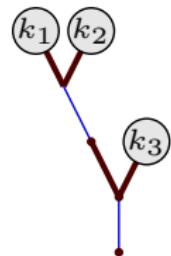
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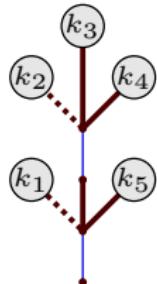
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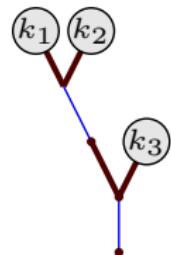
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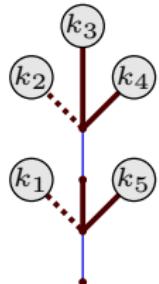


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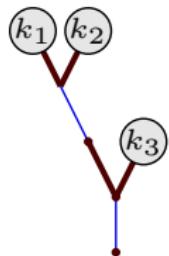
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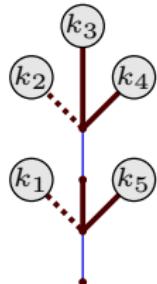
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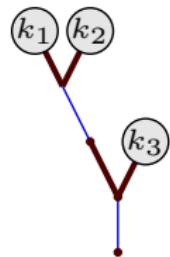
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structure close to SPDEs with Regularity Structures [M. Hairer 2014]

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( $\mathbb{T}$ ,  $\mathbb{T}^2$ : discrete Bourgain  $\|\Pi_K u_n\|_{l_\tau^4 L^4(\mathbb{T})} \lesssim (K \tau^{1/2})^{1/2} \|u_n\|_{X_\tau^{0, \frac{3}{8}}}$ )

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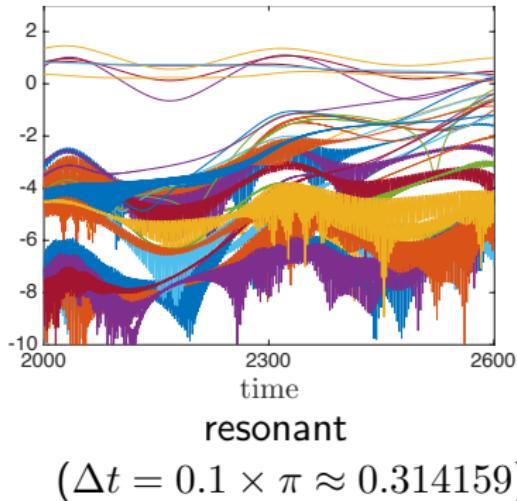
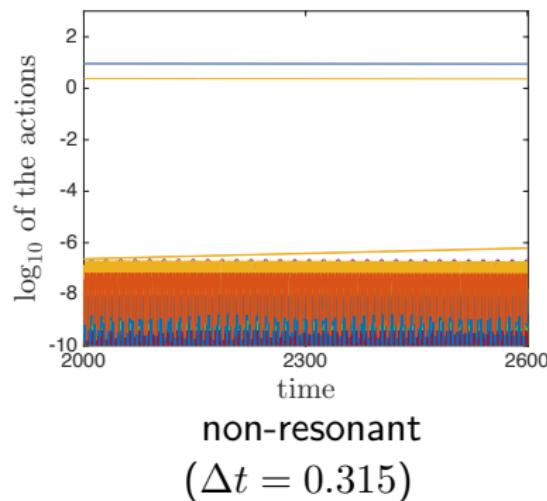
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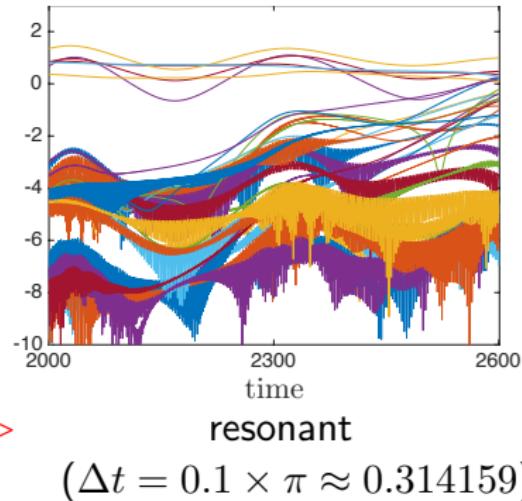
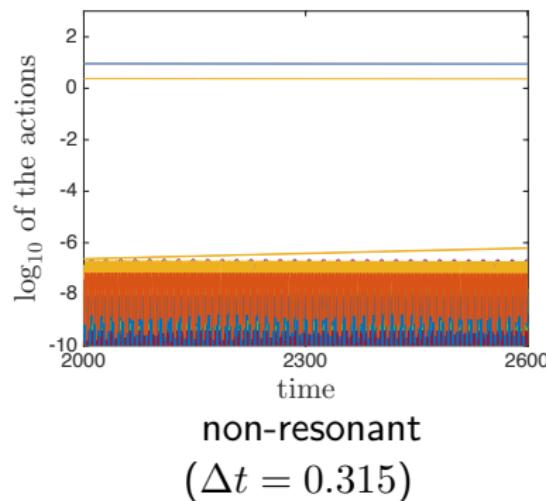


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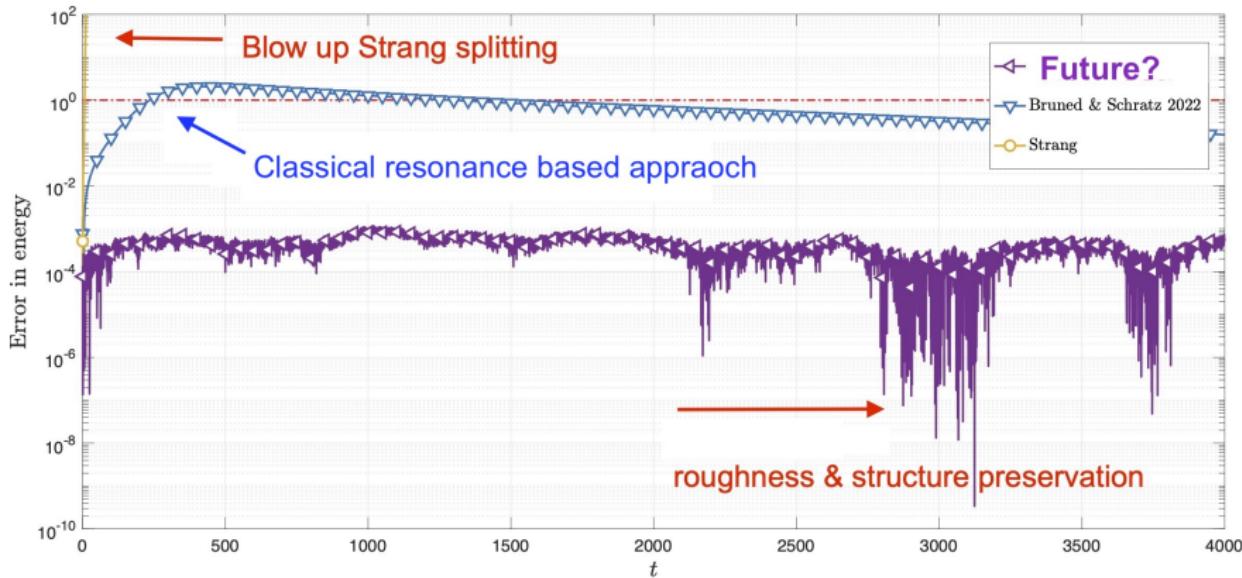
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... gets even worse for rough data !

Example: cubic NLS on  $\mathbb{T}$  with  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  rough data



[Alama Bronsard–Bruned–Maierhofer–Schratz, arXiv:2305.16737]

Still a lot of [open Questions](#)

Q1 : Structure preservation for rough data?

Q2 : Non-smooth phenomena on long time scales

(e.g., blow up, growth of Sobolev norms, wave turbulence, . . . ) ?

How far can we actually go at the discrete level :  
down with regularity and up in time scales ?

