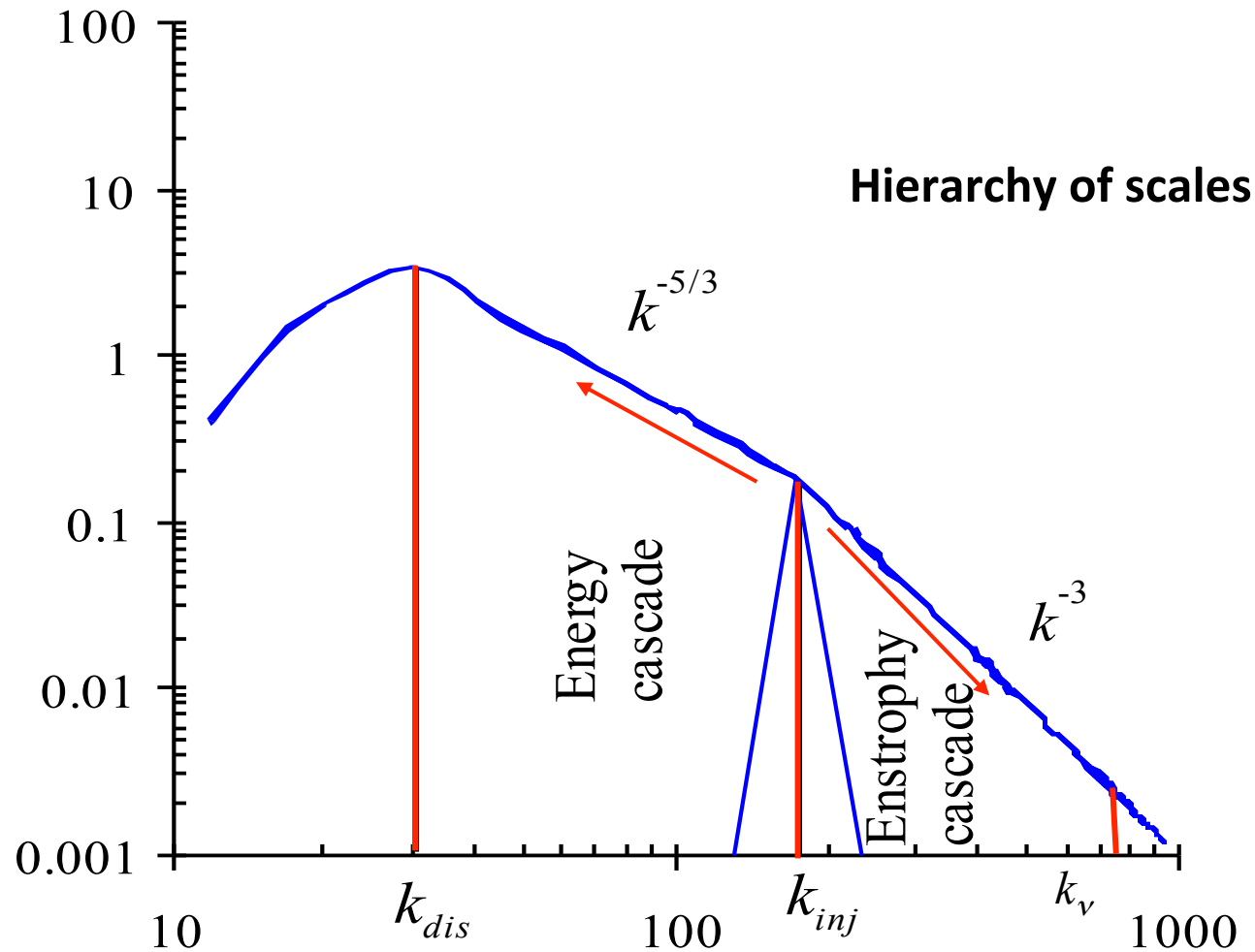


Turbulence development and Lagrangian scale of 2D turbulence

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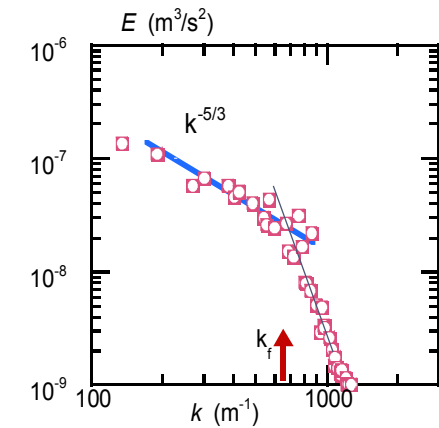
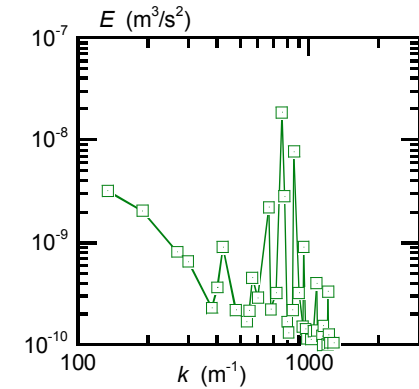
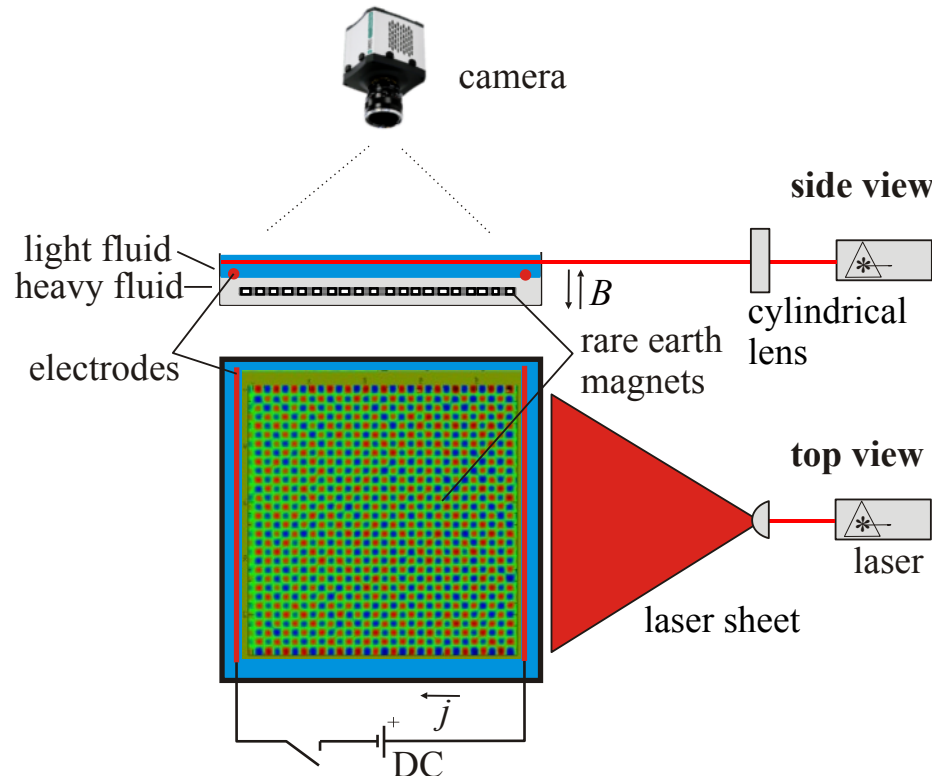
2D turbulence



Which scales determine particle dispersion?

Turbulence generation

Electromagnetically driven turbulence (EMT)



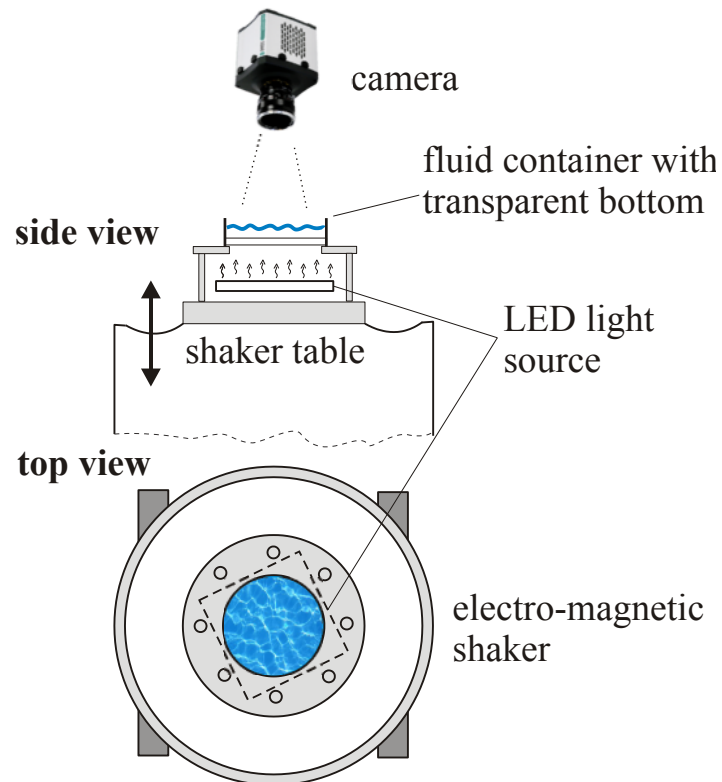
Forcing: current density

[Shats et al. PRE(2005), Xia et al. PRL(2008),

Xia et al Phys. Fluids (2009)]

Turbulence generation

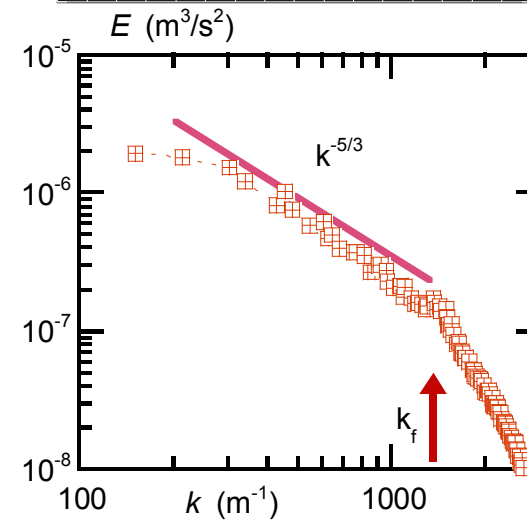
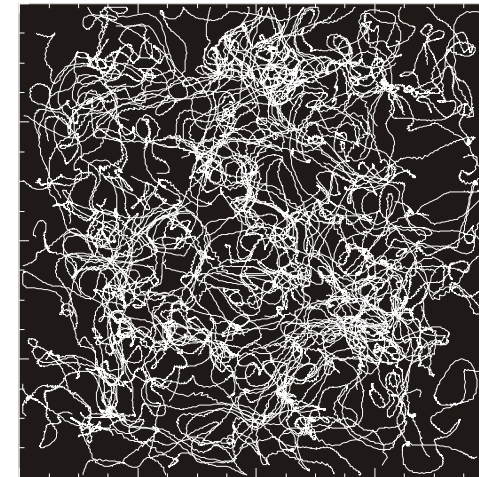
Faraday wave driven turbulence (FWT)



Forcing \Rightarrow Vertical acceleration

Forcing scale \Rightarrow Shaker frequency

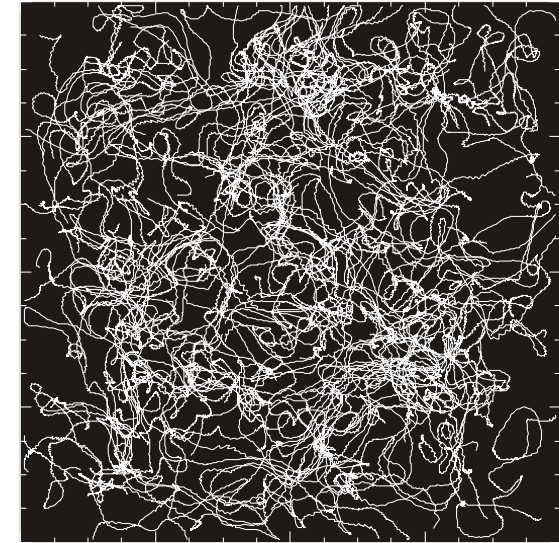
[Von Kameke et al., PRL(2011), Francois et al. , PRL(2013)]



Single particle dispersion

Particle tracking:

- Direct tracking, nearest neighbour
- Long trajectories ($t > 10 T_L$)
- Large number of trajectories

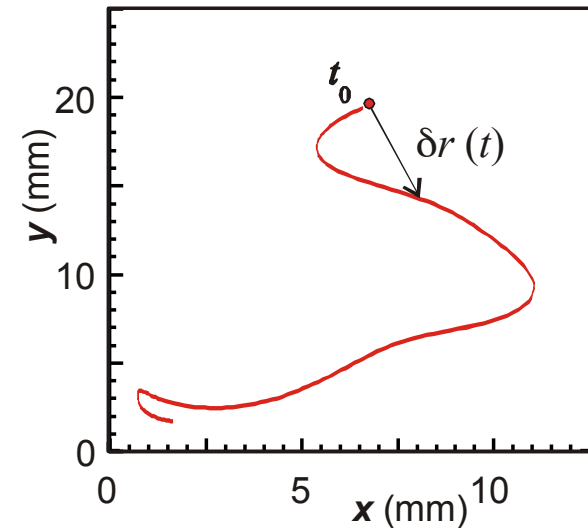


Taylor (1921):

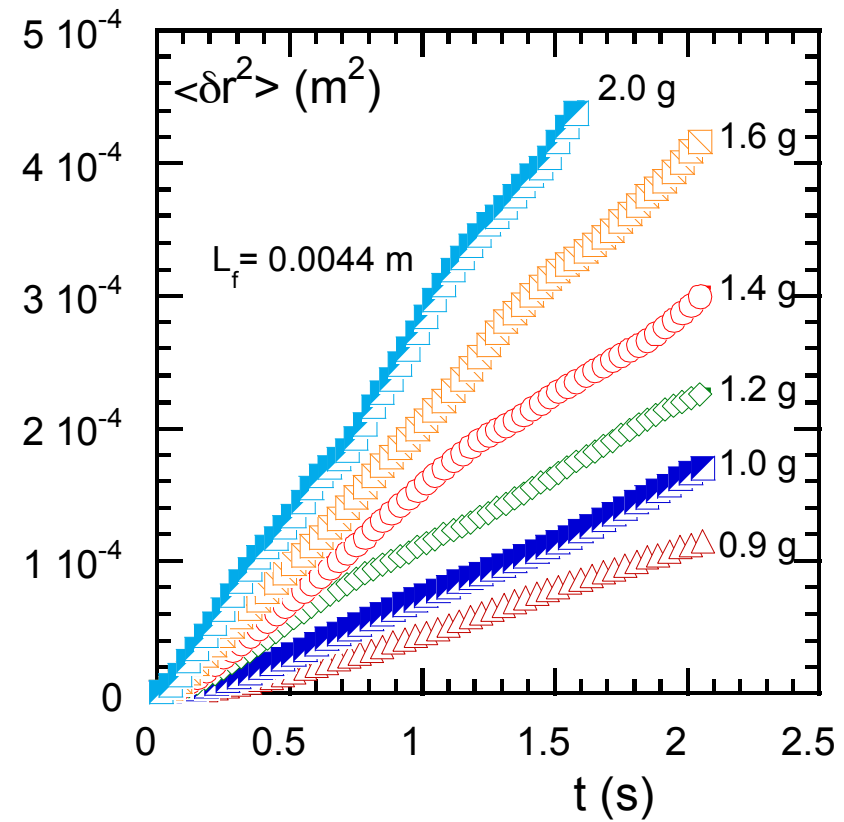
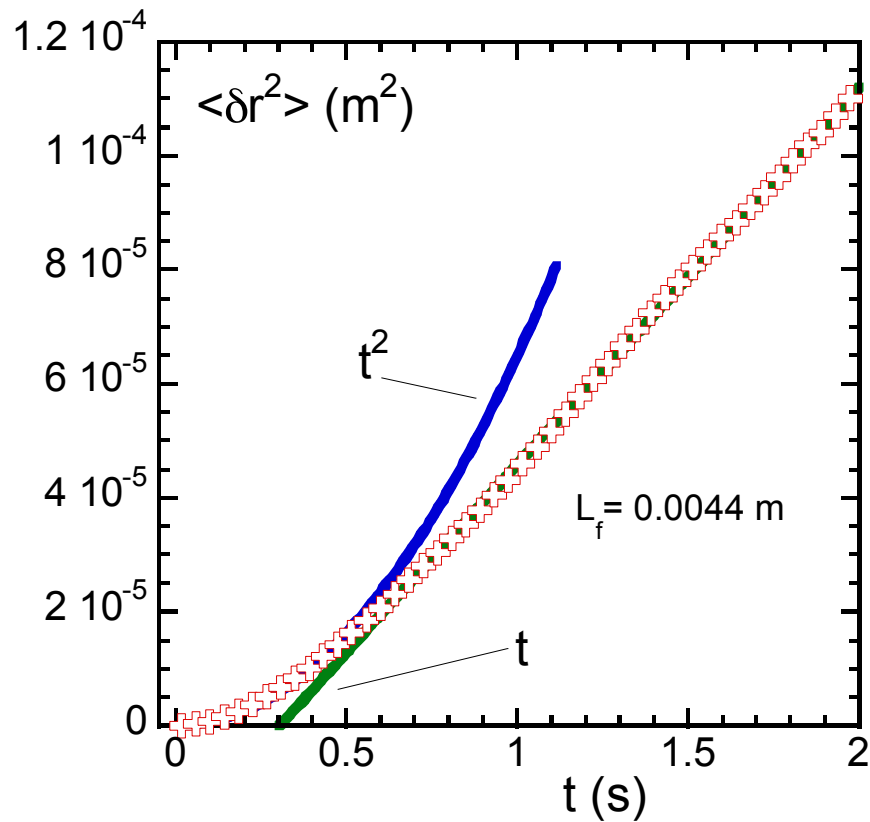
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \delta r^2 \rangle &\approx \langle u^2 \rangle t^2 & t \ll T_L \\ \langle \delta r^2 \rangle &\approx 2 \langle u^2 \rangle T_L t & t \gg T_L \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho(t) = \langle u[\vec{r}(t_0 + t)]u[\vec{r}(t_0)] \rangle / \sigma^2$$

$$T_L = \int_0^\infty \rho(t) dt$$

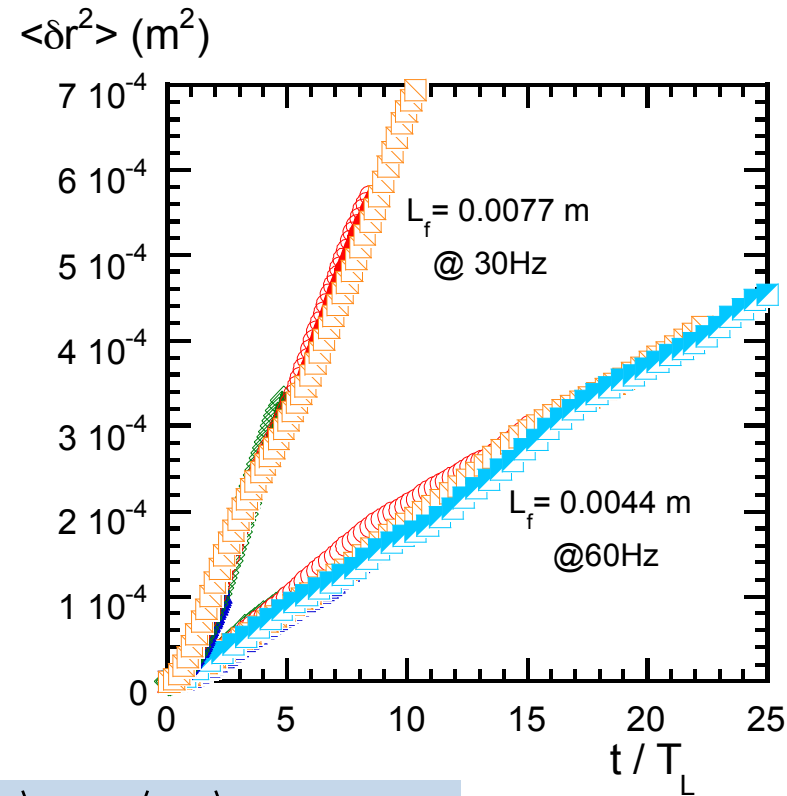
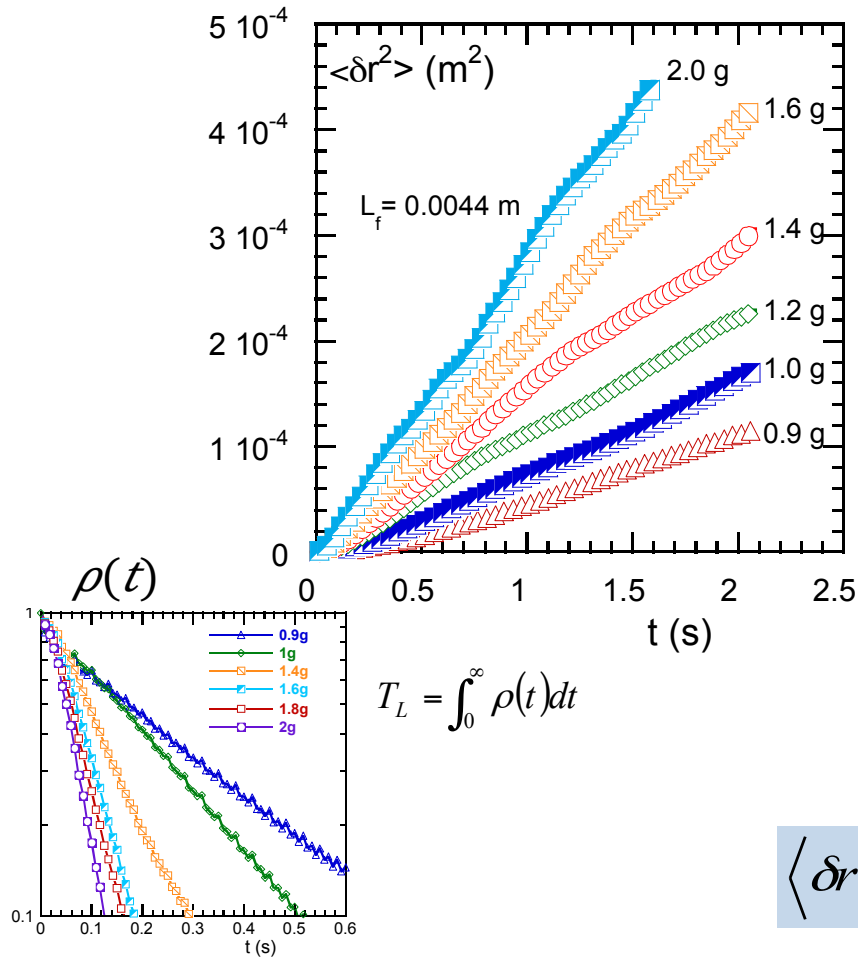


Mean square displacement (MSD)



Taylor's single particle dispersion observed in a broad range of experimental conditions.

Universal spatial scale

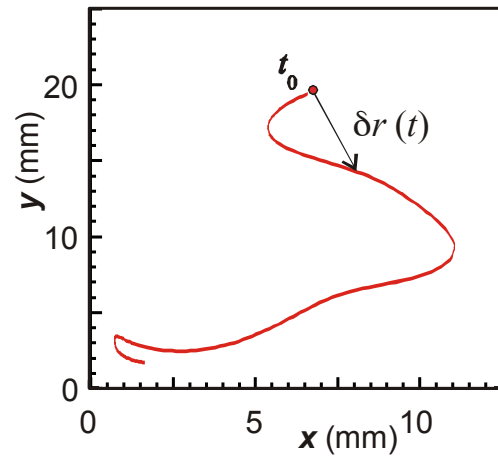


$$\langle \delta r^2 \rangle \approx 2 \langle u^2 \rangle T_L^2 (t / T_L)$$

$$\tilde{u}^2 T_L^2 \sim L^2$$

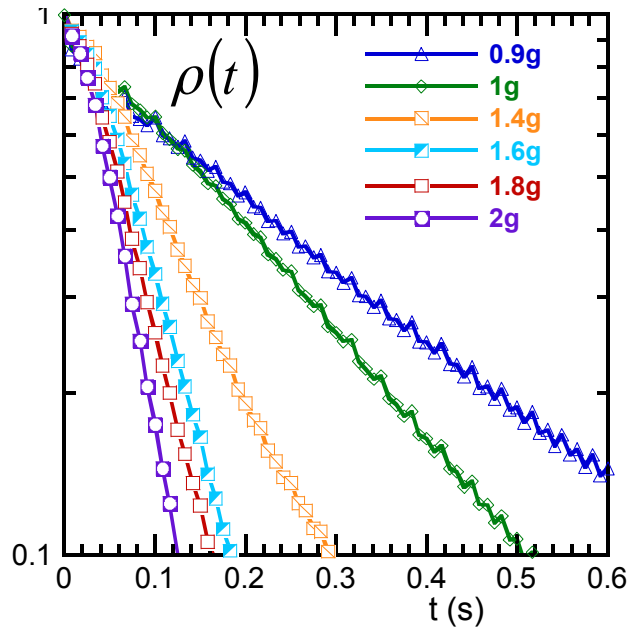
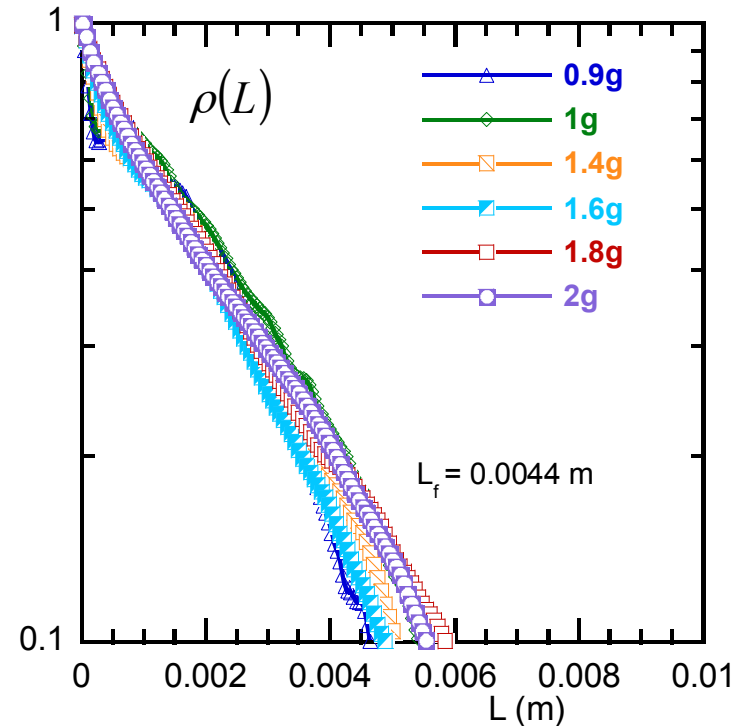
- a universal spatial scale of particle dispersion
- related to the forcing scale.

Computation of the Lagrangian scale



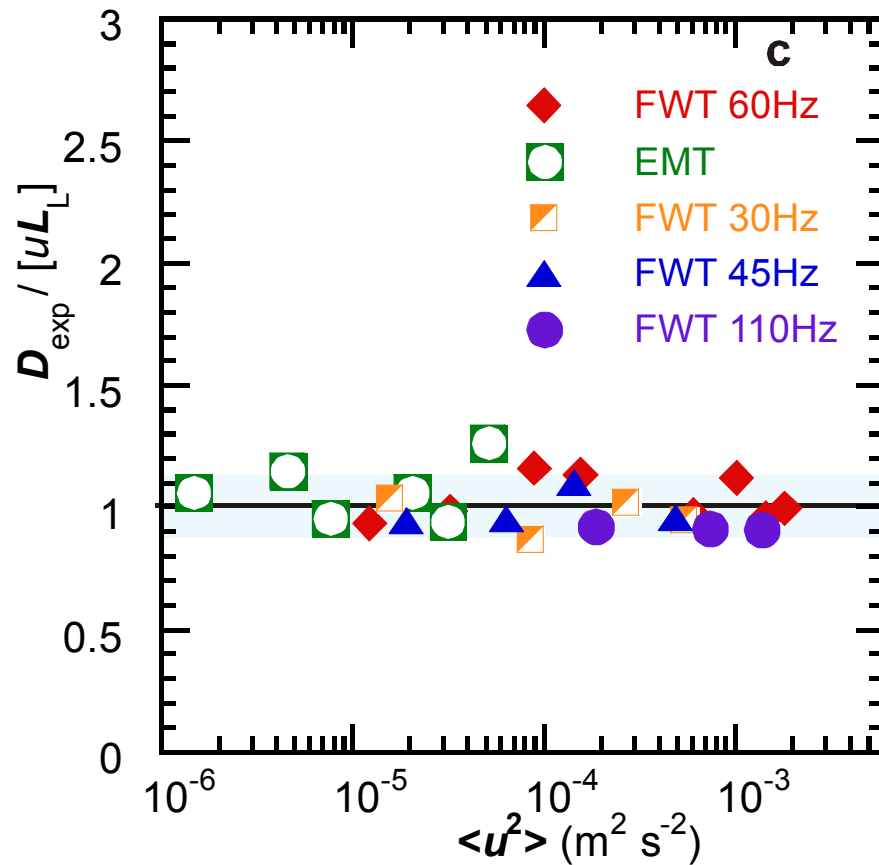
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} u(t) \\ \delta r(t) \end{array} \right\} \implies u(\delta r)$$

$$\rho(L) = \langle \vec{u}(r_0 + L) \vec{u}(r_0) \rangle / \sigma^2$$



$$L_L = \int_0^{\infty} \rho(L) dL$$

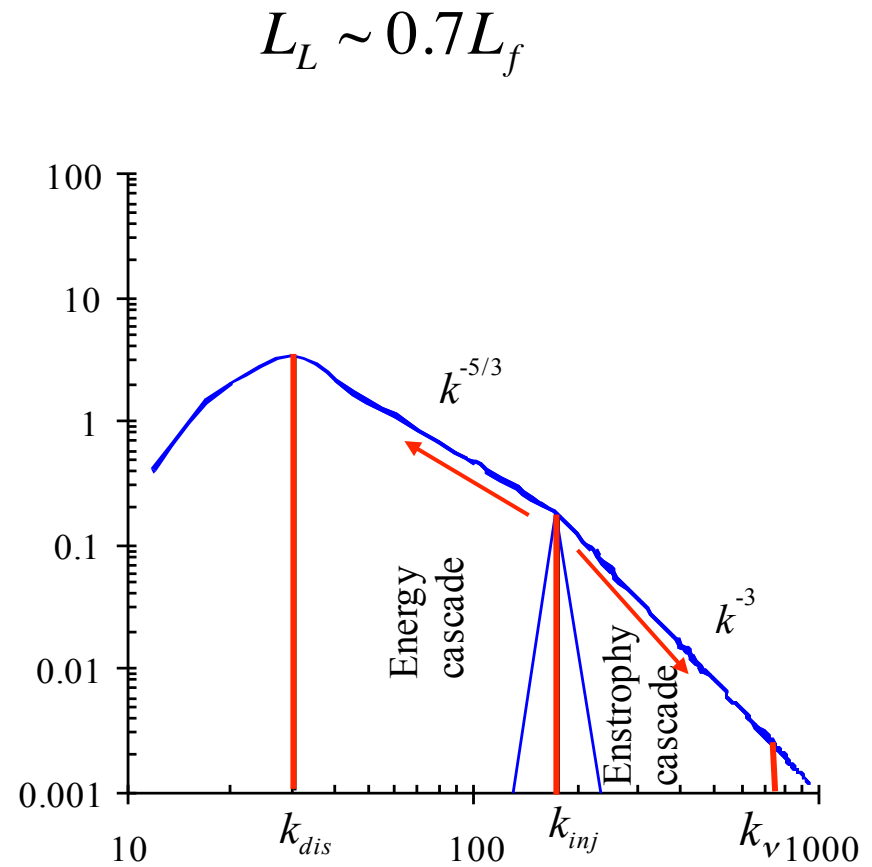
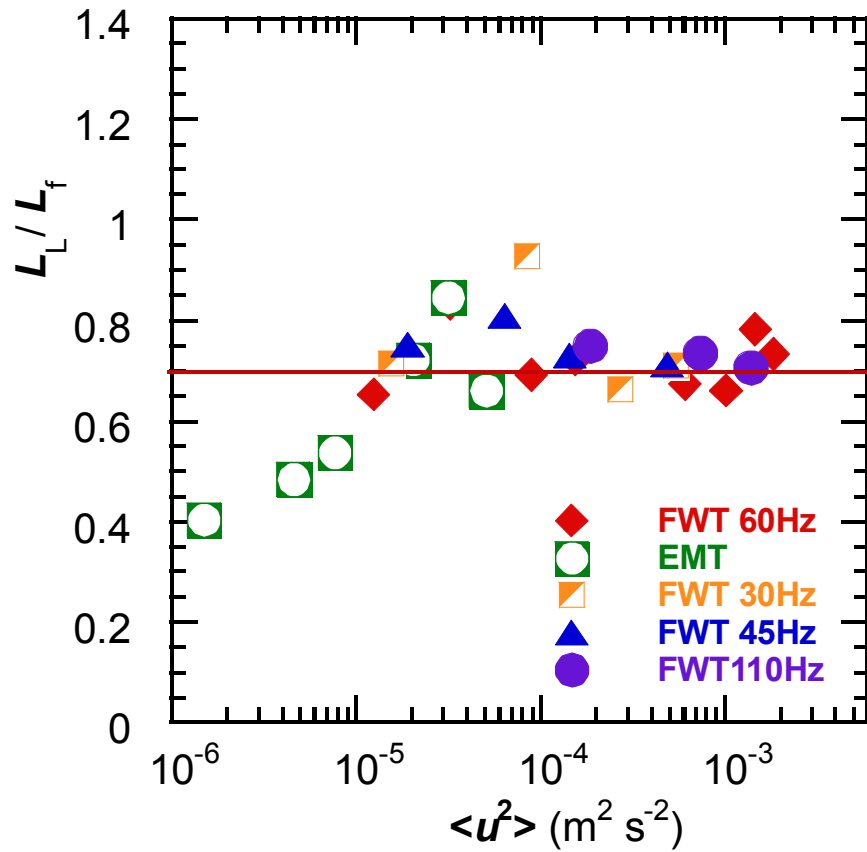
Lagrangian scale



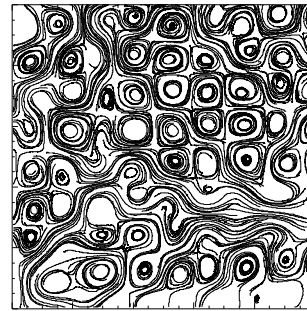
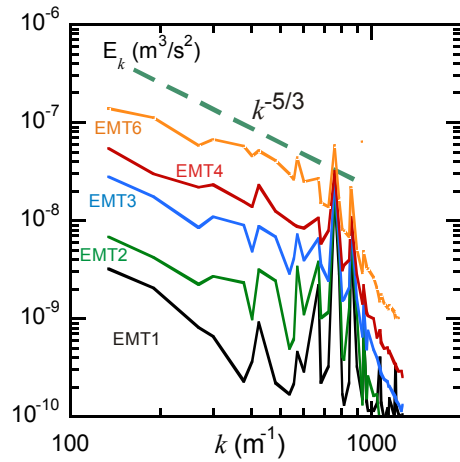
$$D_{\text{exp}} = (\tilde{u}_{\text{rms}} L_L)$$

- Particle dispersion is determined by a single scale;
- Turbulence just affects u_{rms}

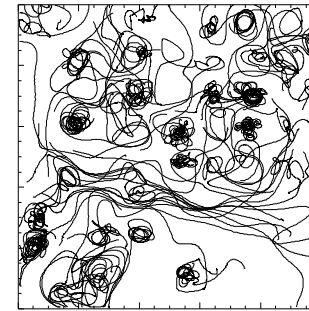
Lagrangian scale and forcing scale



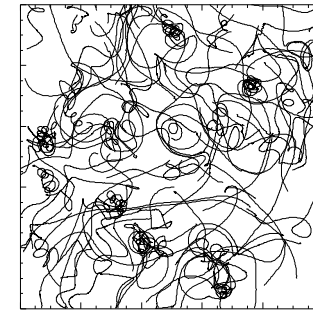
Turbulence development



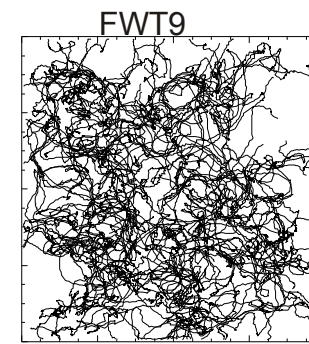
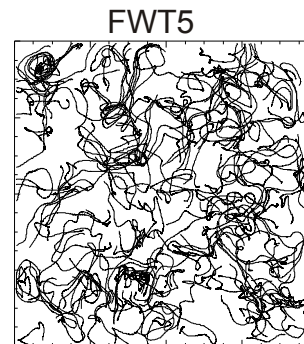
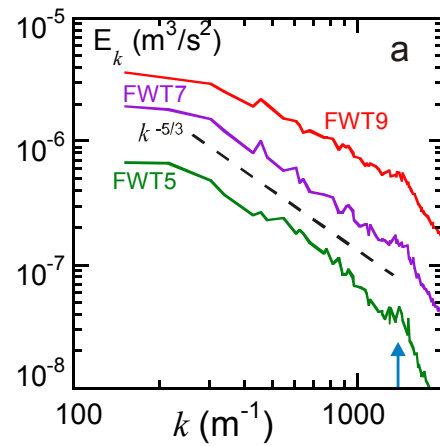
a EMT1



b EMT3



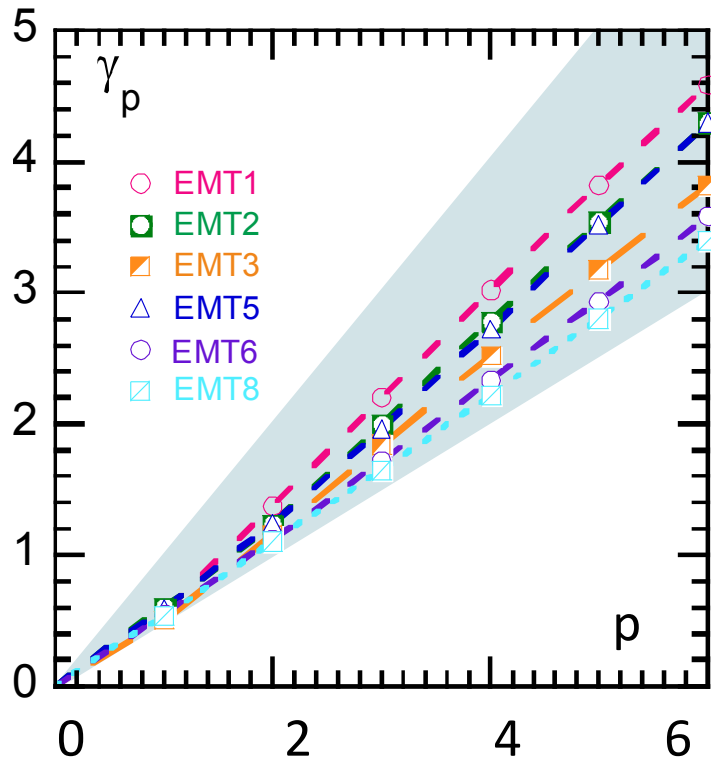
c EMT6



Higher order moments of δr

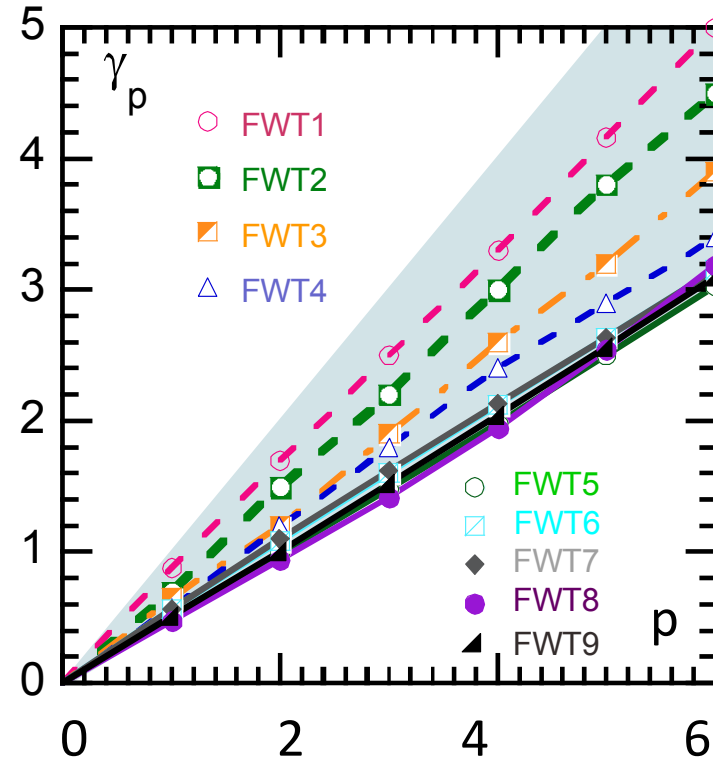
$$\langle \delta r^p \rangle \sim t^{\gamma_p}$$

EMT: Lower Re



Non-self-similar $\gamma_p \sim \text{nonlinear}(p)$
 $\gamma_p \sim p \neq p/2$

FWT: low to High Re

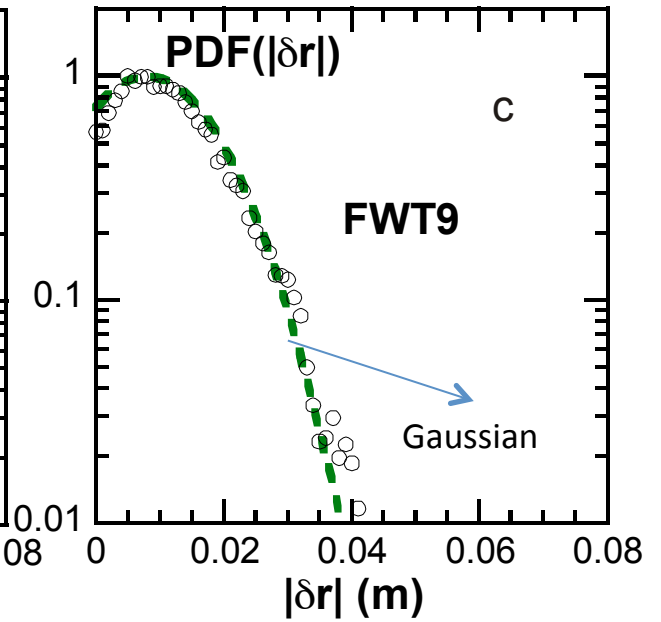
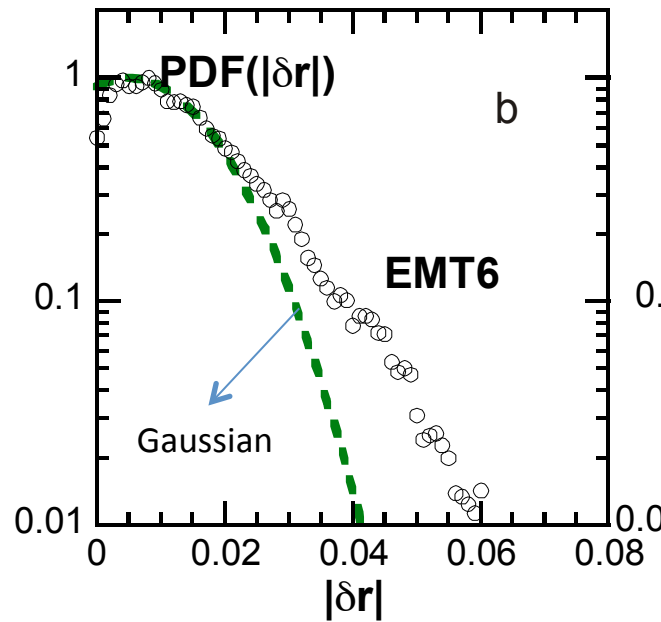
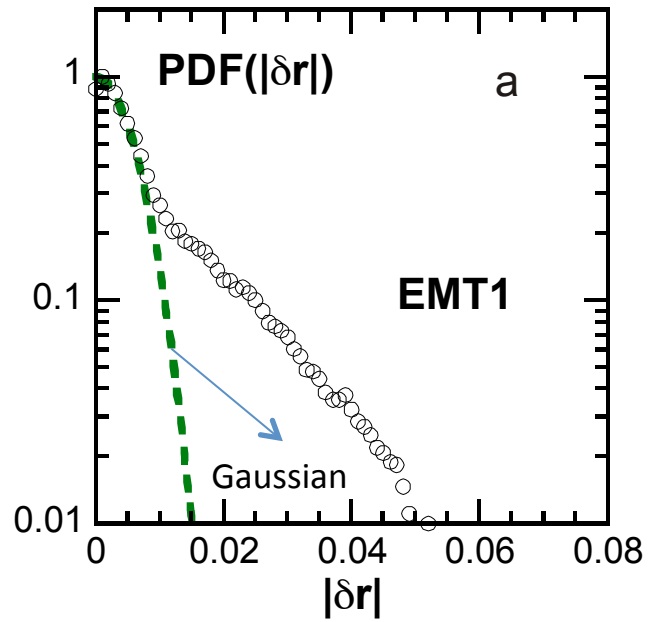


Diffusive, self-similar $\gamma_p = p/2$

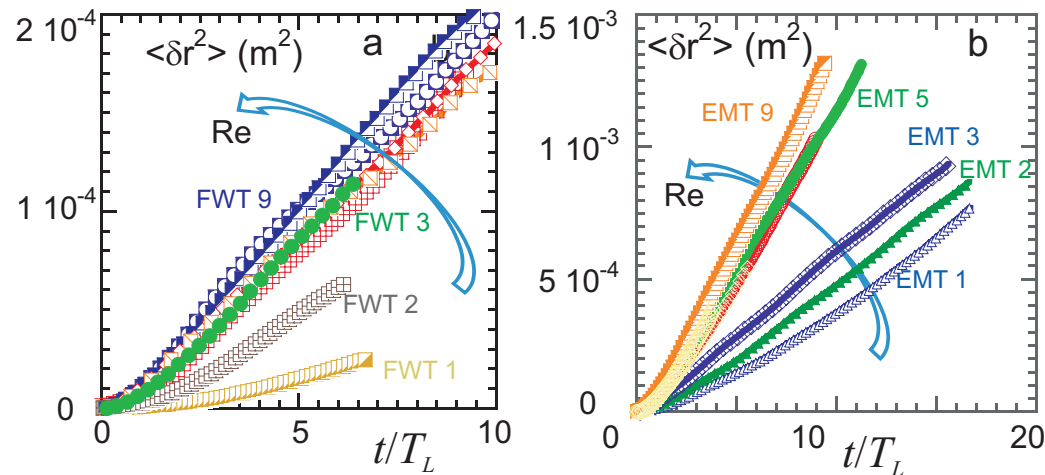
PDF of δr

Lower Re

High Re

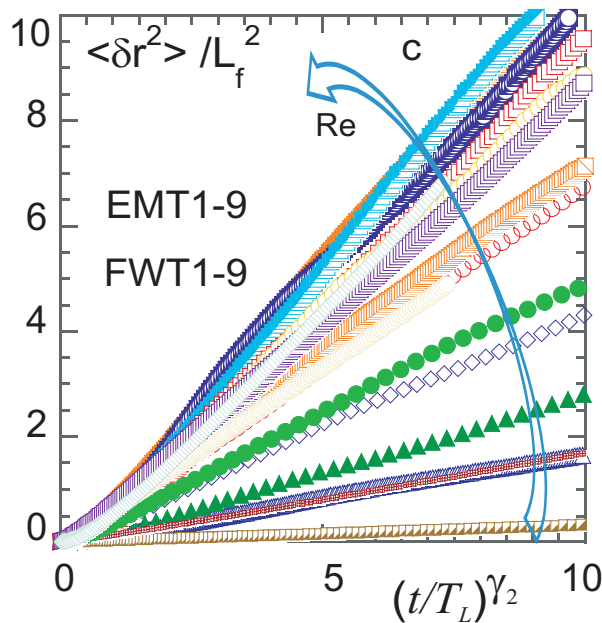


Dispersion: transition to turbulence



Transition from superdiffusion to diffusion with Re.

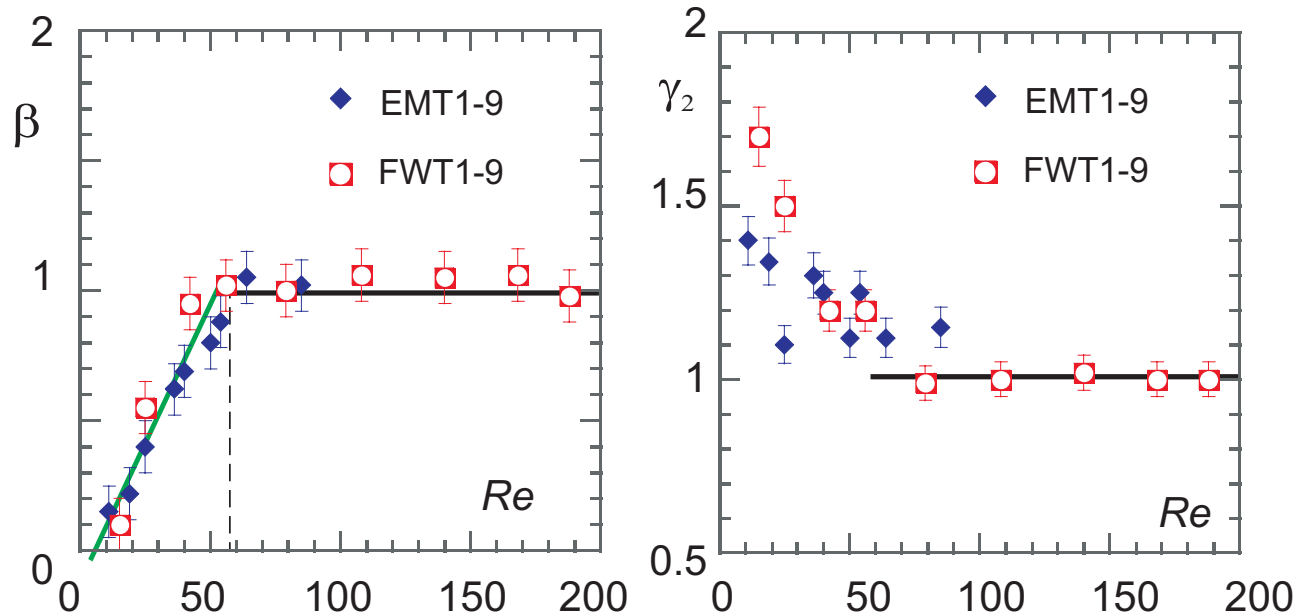
$$\langle \delta r^2 \rangle \sim t^{\gamma_2}$$



- All curves are reasonably linear,
- Slopes increase with Re,
- Convergence at high Re.

$$\frac{\langle \delta r^2 \rangle}{L_f^2} = \beta \left(\frac{t}{T_L} \right)^{\gamma_2}, \quad t > T_L$$

Taylor's particle dispersion



$$\frac{\langle \delta r^2 \rangle}{L_f^2} = \beta \left(\frac{t}{T_L} \right)^{\gamma_2}$$

$$\beta = \text{Re} / \text{Re}_t, \quad \text{Re} < \text{Re}_t$$

$$= 1. \quad \text{Re} > \text{Re}_t$$

$$\langle \delta r^2 \rangle \sim t^{\gamma_2}$$

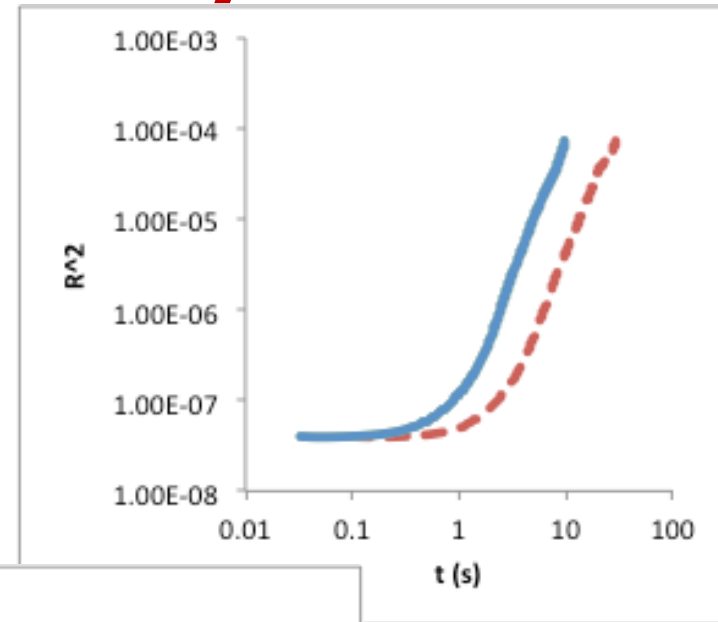
$$\langle \delta r^2 \rangle \approx 2 \langle u^2 \rangle T_L t$$

Quantitative expression for particle dispersion in developed turbulence to chaotic flows

Pair dispersion: preliminary results

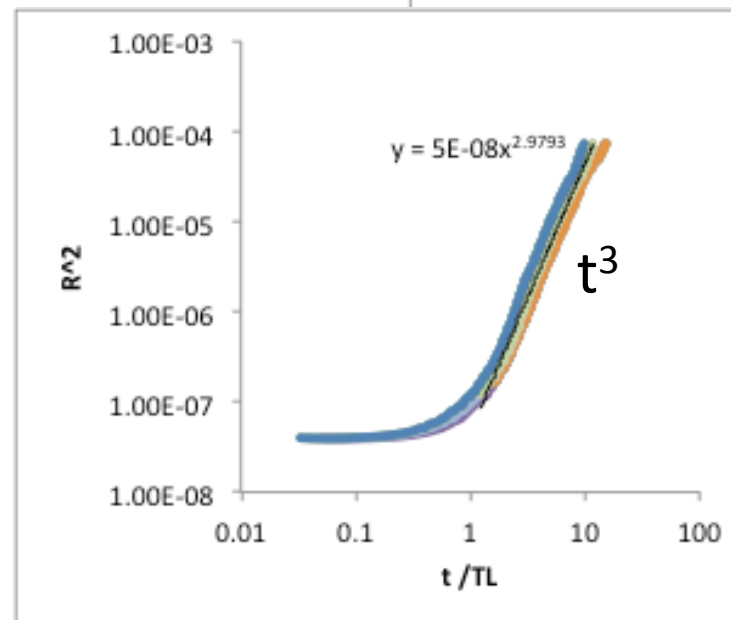
Particle tracking:

- Numeric integration using PIV
- Initial zero velocity

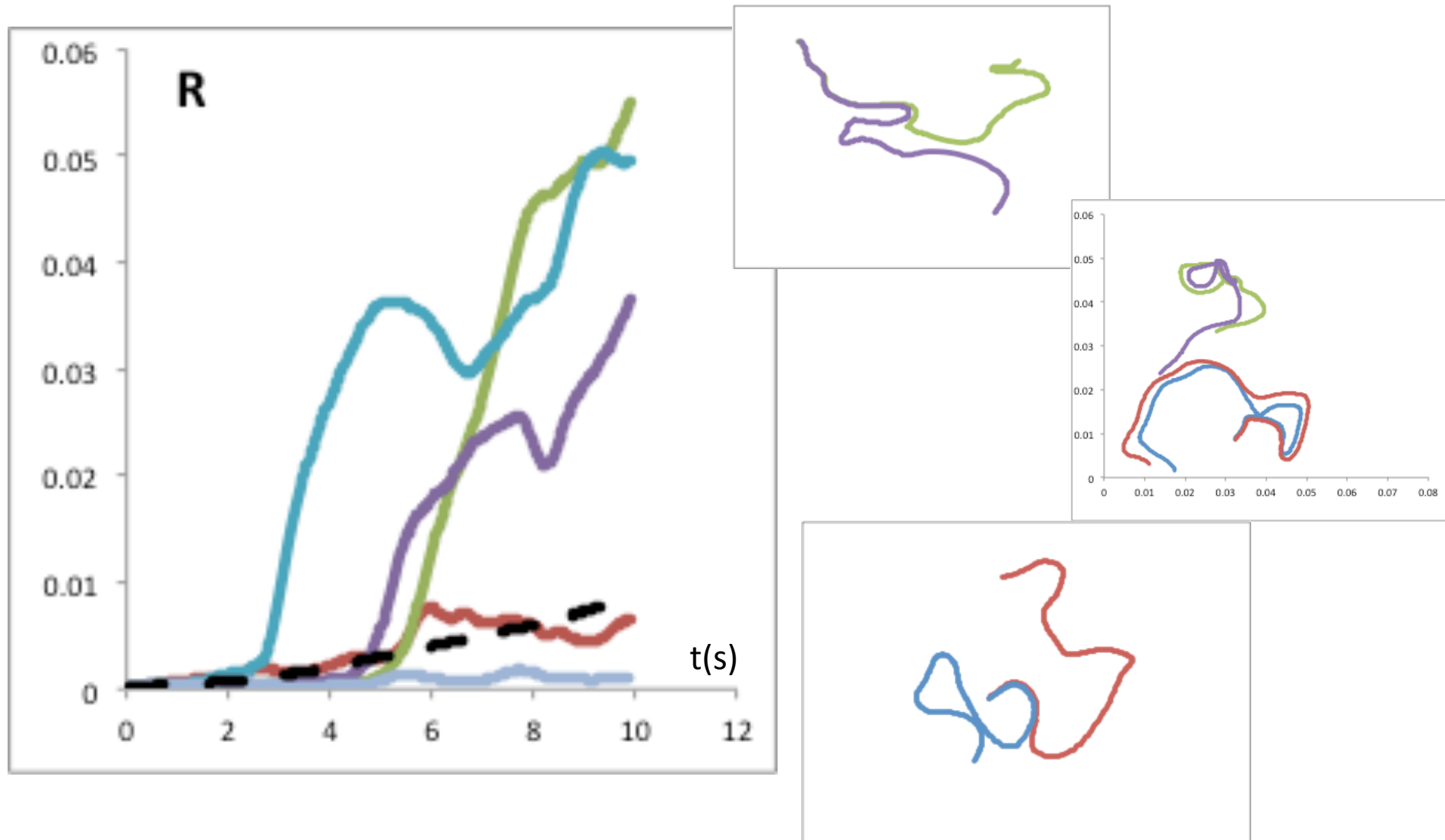


Richardson :

$$\langle \delta R^2 \rangle \approx g\epsilon t^3 \quad t \gg T_L$$



Pair dispersion: preliminary results



Conclusions

- Single particle dispersion has been investigated in detail in 2D turbulence;
- A new statistical quantity: Lagrangian integral scale
- In fully developed turbulence, single particle dispersion is determined by the Lagrangian integral scale and the turbulence level.
- L_L is related to the forcing scale.
- Transition to turbulence: from superdiffusion to Brownian diffusion, development of self-similar diffusion, disappearance of the tails in the PDF
- Quantitative expression for particle dispersion: Taylor dispersion in developed turbulence to chaotic flows.

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