

Shock Propagation in Loosely Packed Granular Media

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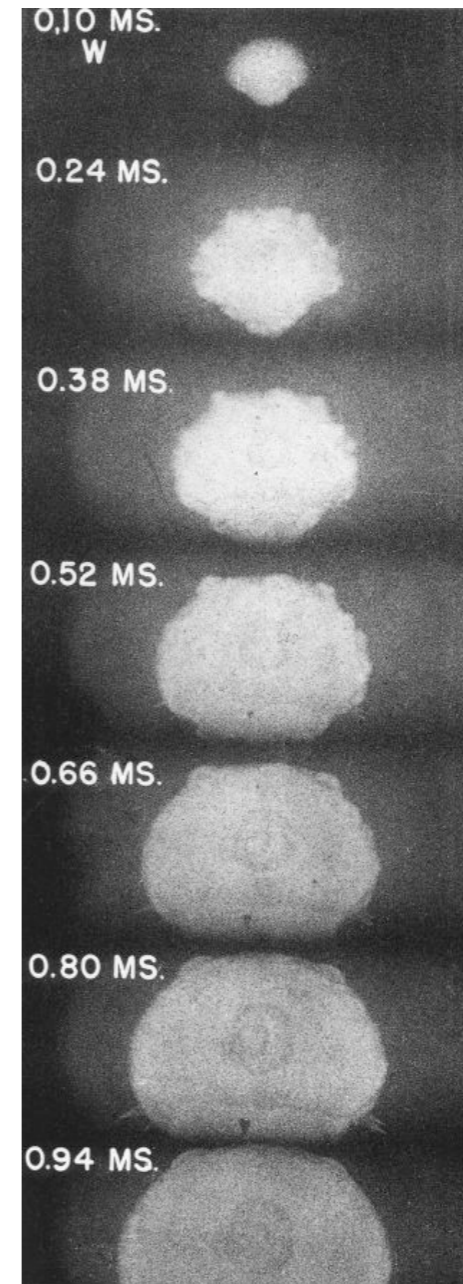
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Outline of the talk

- The problem
 - ★ Nuclear Explosion
 - ★ Granular Explosion
- Motivation
- Analysis
- Comparison with experiments
- Modified models
- Conclusions

Nuclear Explosion



How does the radius increase with time?

Dimensional Analysis

$$R(t) = f(E_0, t, \rho, \cancel{X_0})$$

$$[E_0] = ML^2T^{-2}$$

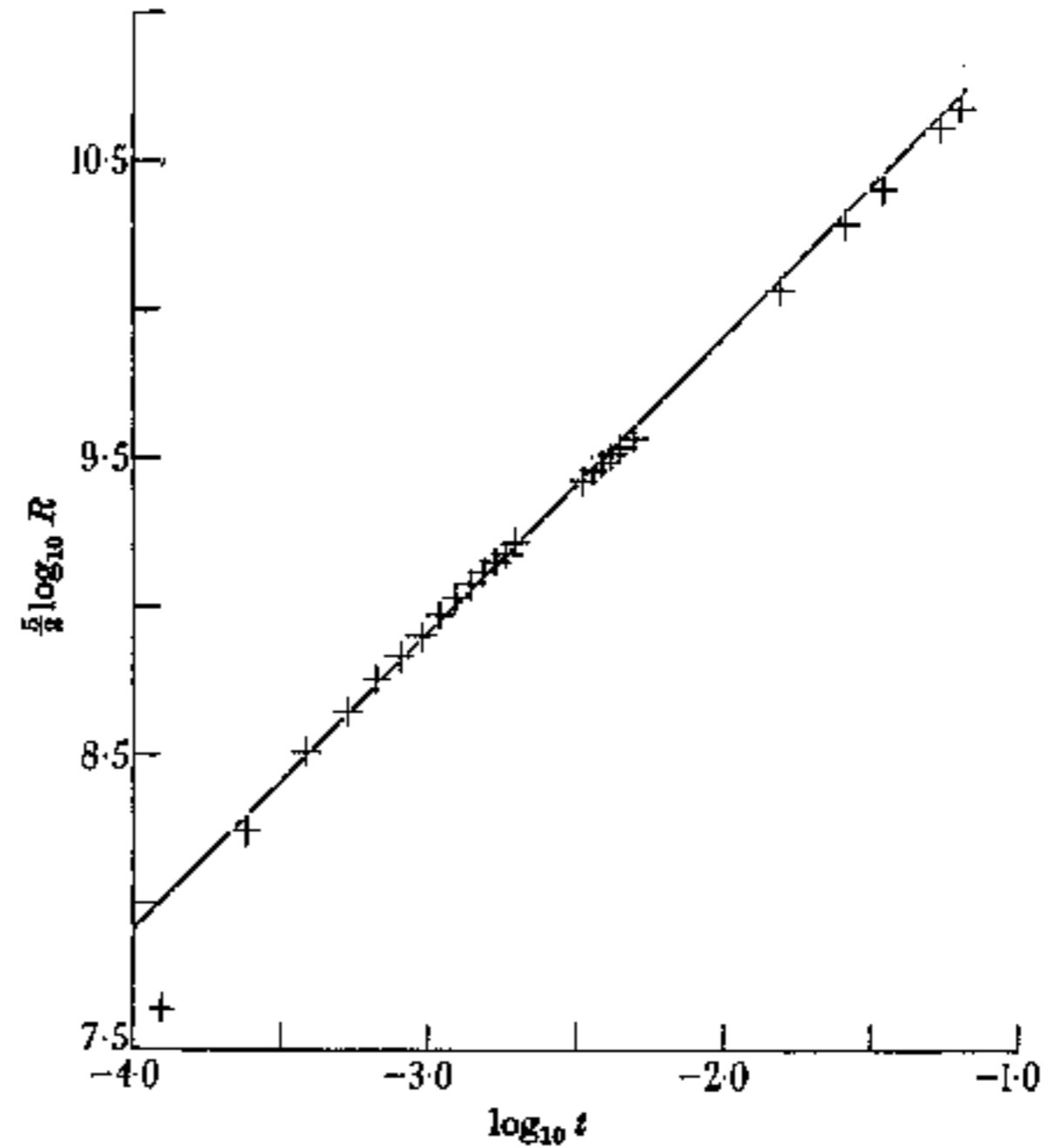
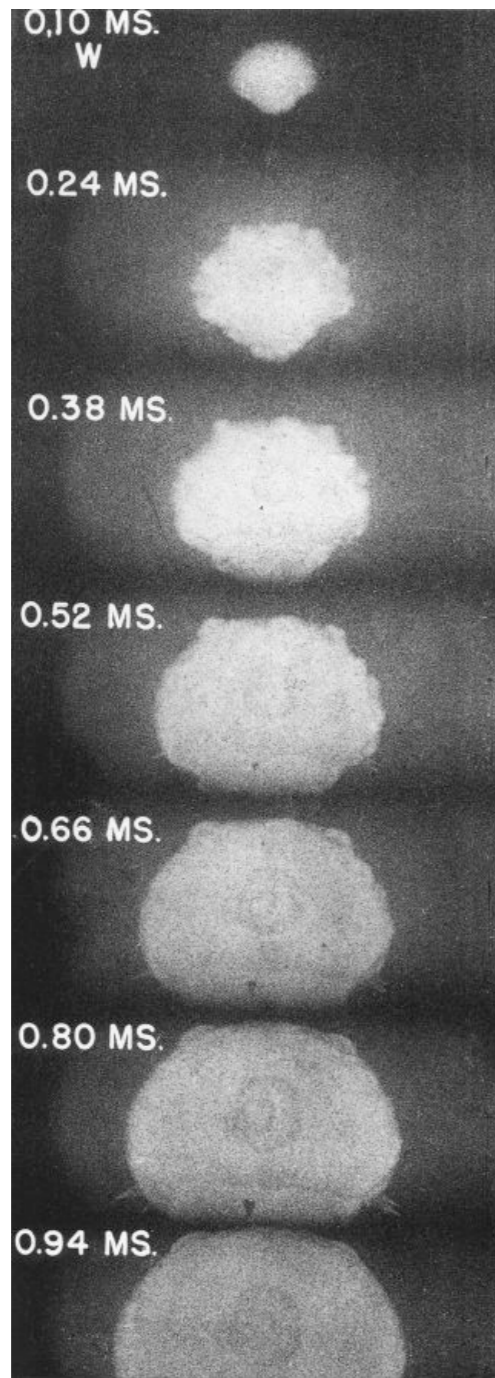
$$[\rho] = ML^{-d}$$

$$[t] = T$$

$$R(t) = c \left(\frac{E_0 t^2}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{d+2}}$$

$$d = 3 \implies R(t) \propto t^{2/5}$$

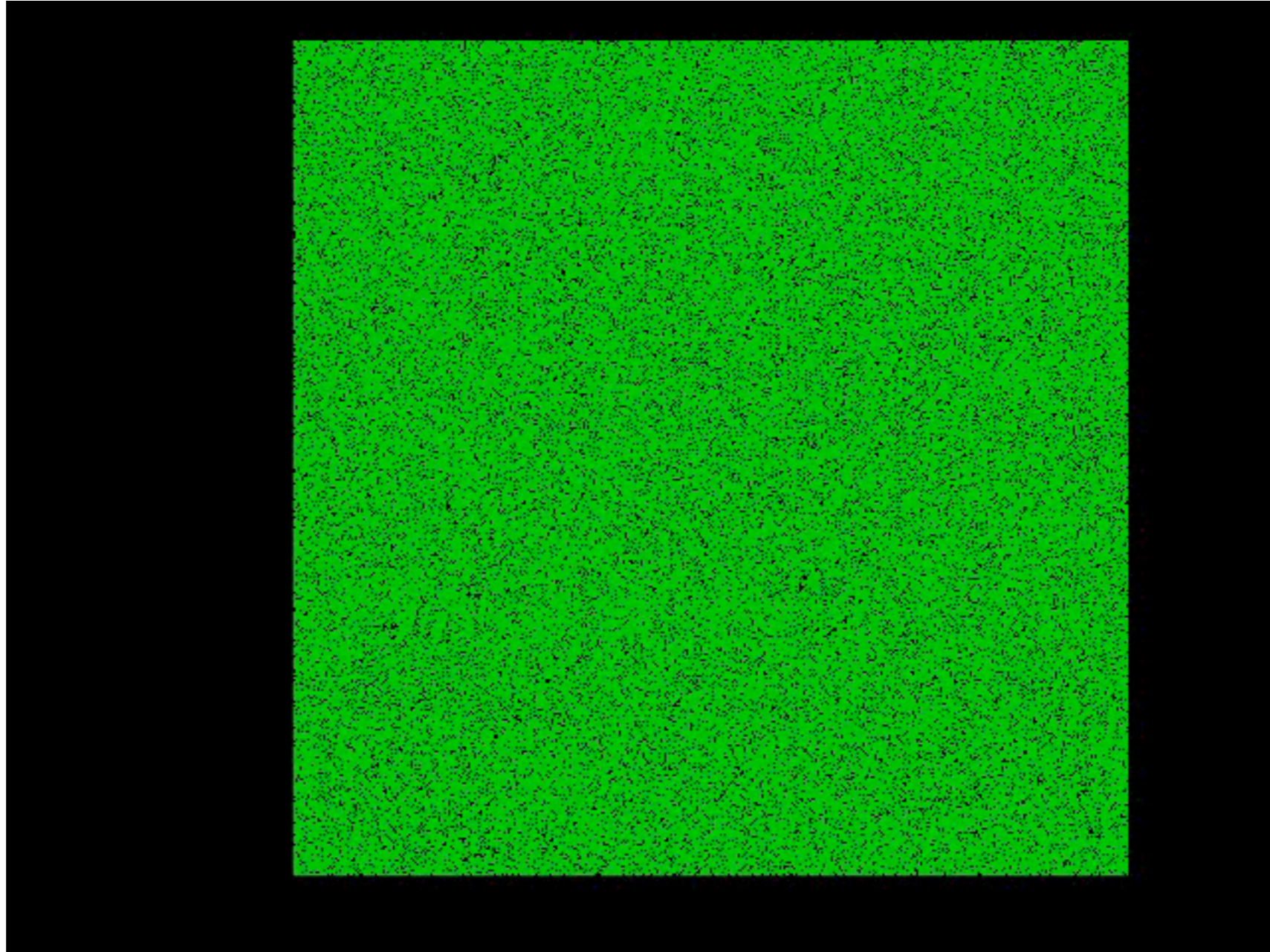
Comparison with data



A computer model

- Particles at rest
- One particle given an impulse
- Interaction only on contact
 - ★ Energy conserving
 - ★ Momentum conserving

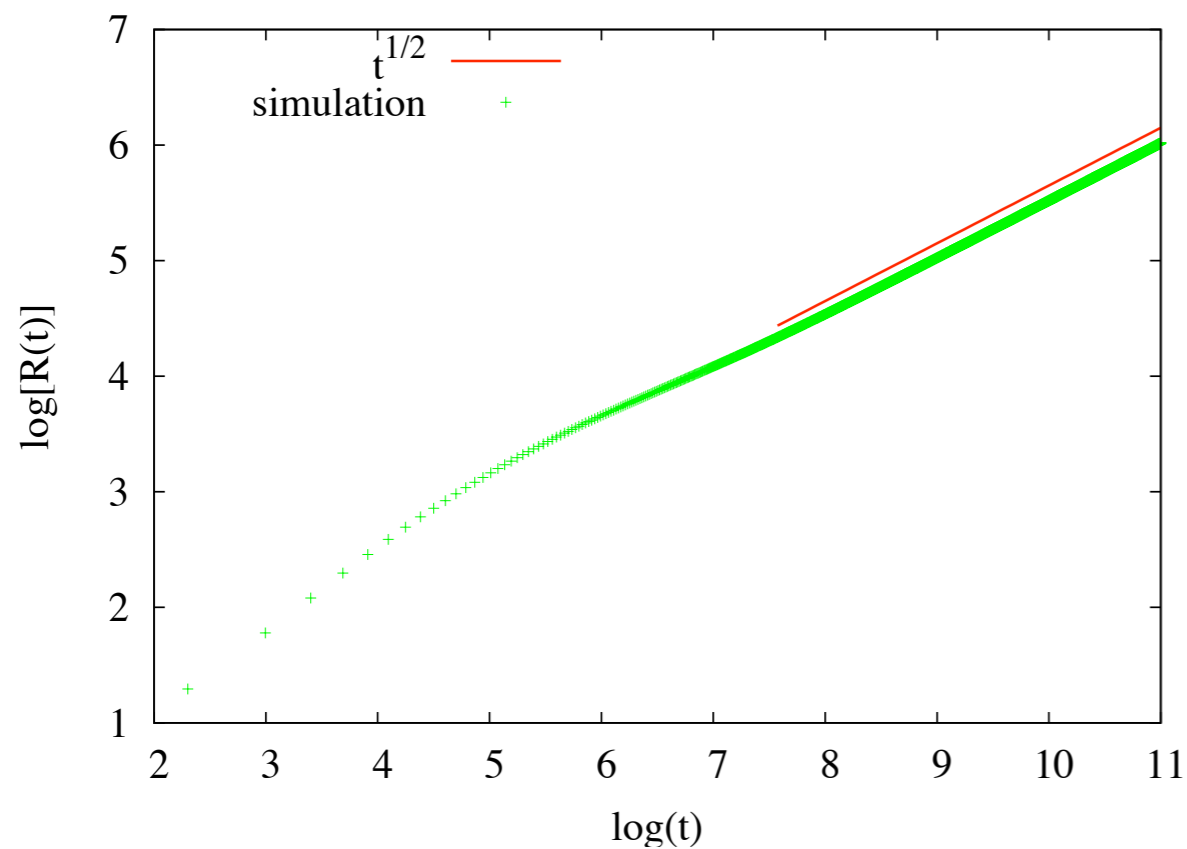
A computer model



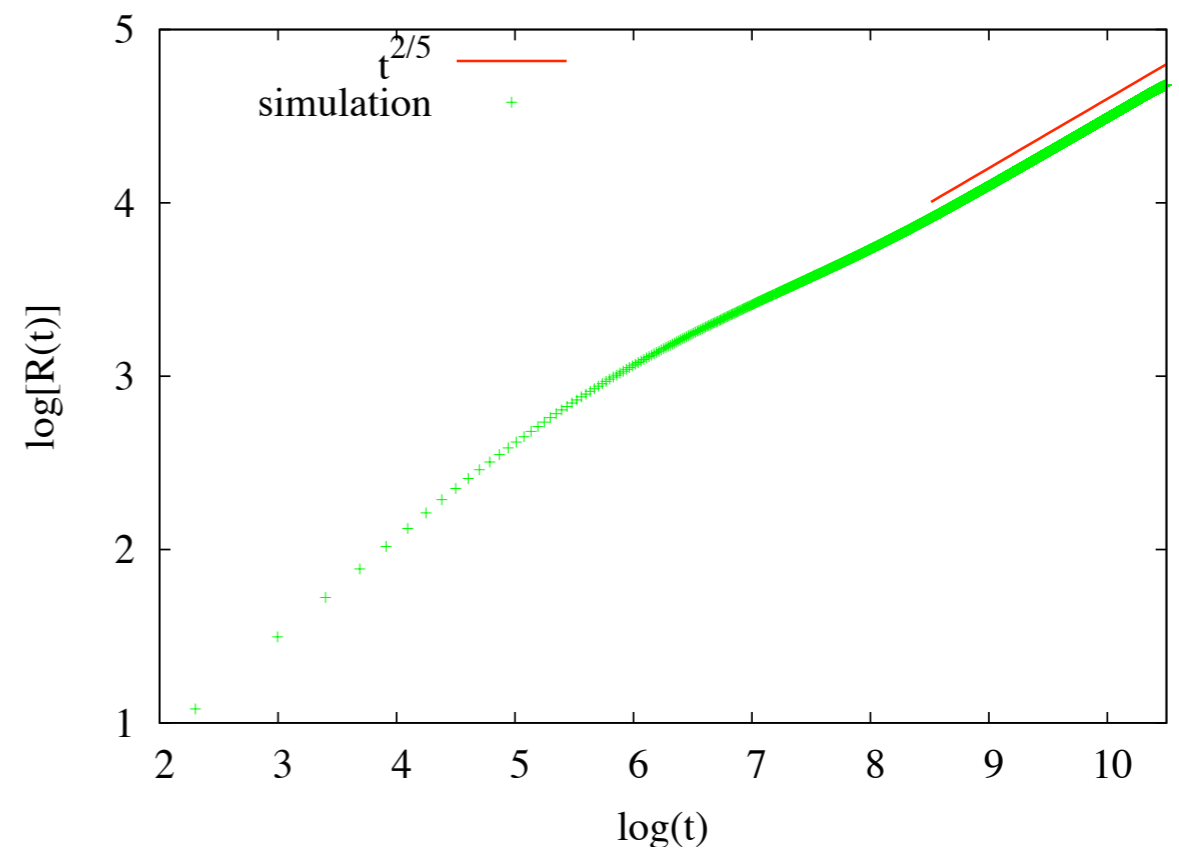
Radius vs time

$$R(t) = c \left(\frac{E_0 t^2}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{1}{d+2}}$$

2 dimensions



3 dimensions



Question

Take the above model and make the collisions inelastic.

Do the results change?

Granular systems

Sand, steel balls, talcum powder

Size $\sim 1\mu m$ to $1mm$

Mass $\sim 1 mg$

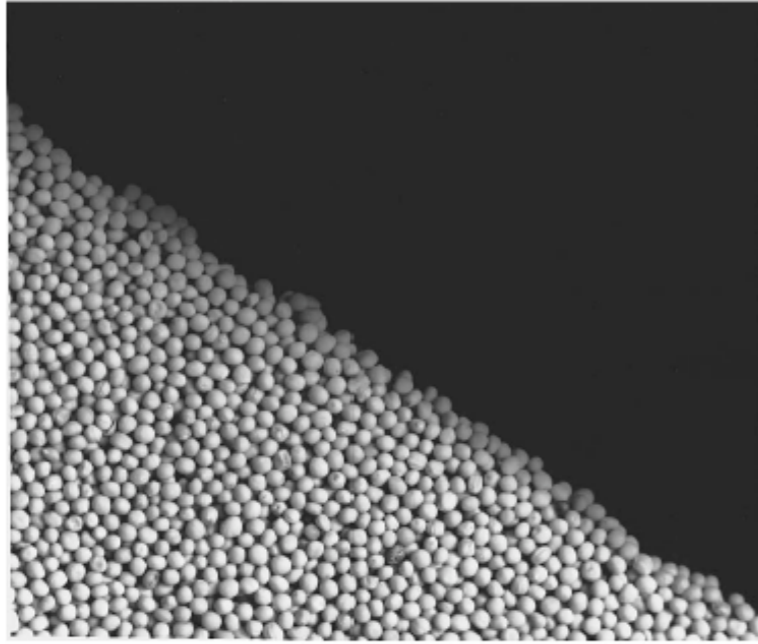
Velocity $\sim 1cm/s$

$$\frac{KE}{kT} = \frac{10^{-6} 10^{-4}}{kT} \approx 10^{10}$$

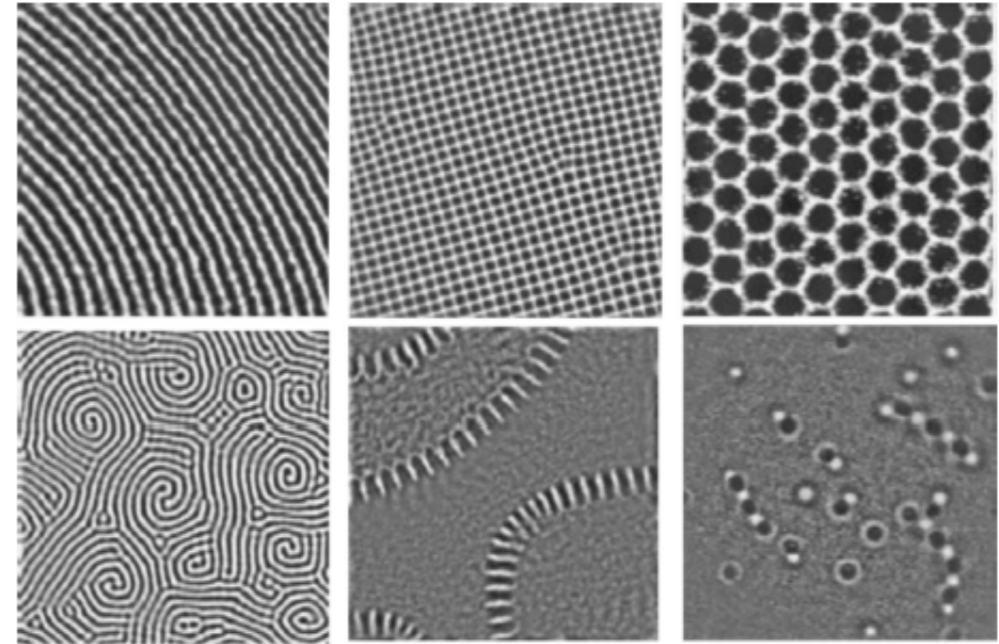
$$\frac{PE}{kT} = \frac{10^{-6} 10 10^{-2}}{kT} \approx 10^{13}$$

Temperature plays no role

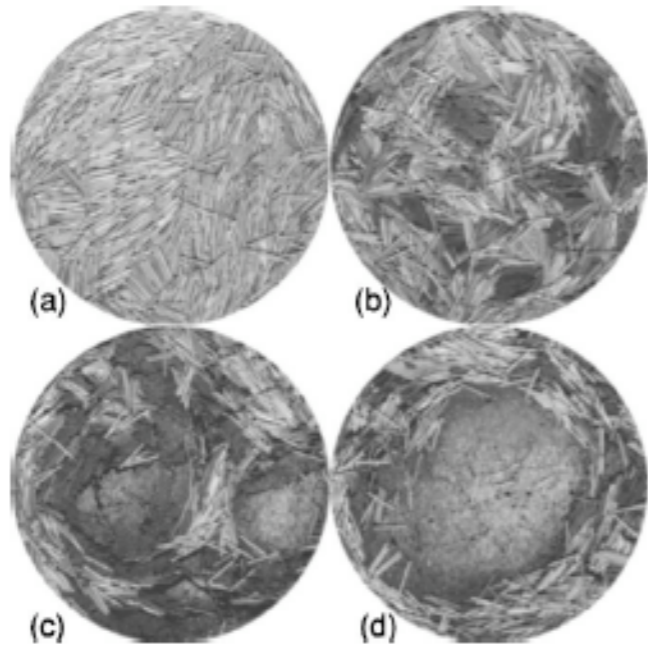
Different Cases



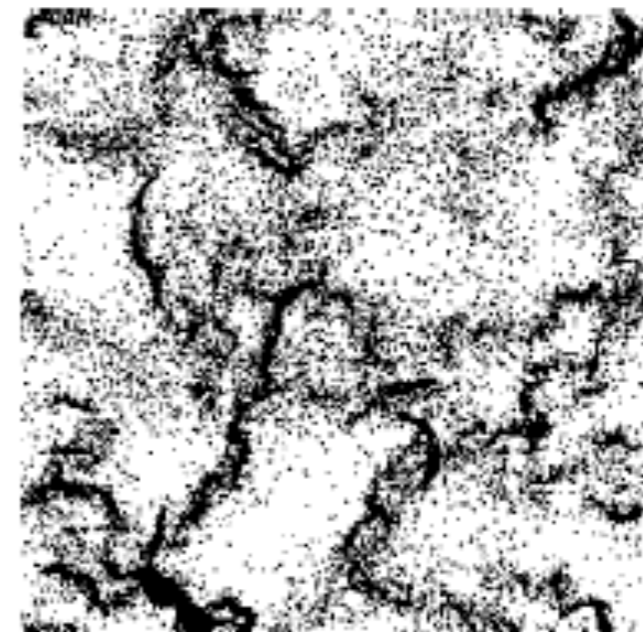
Jaeger et al, 1996



Aranson et al, 2006



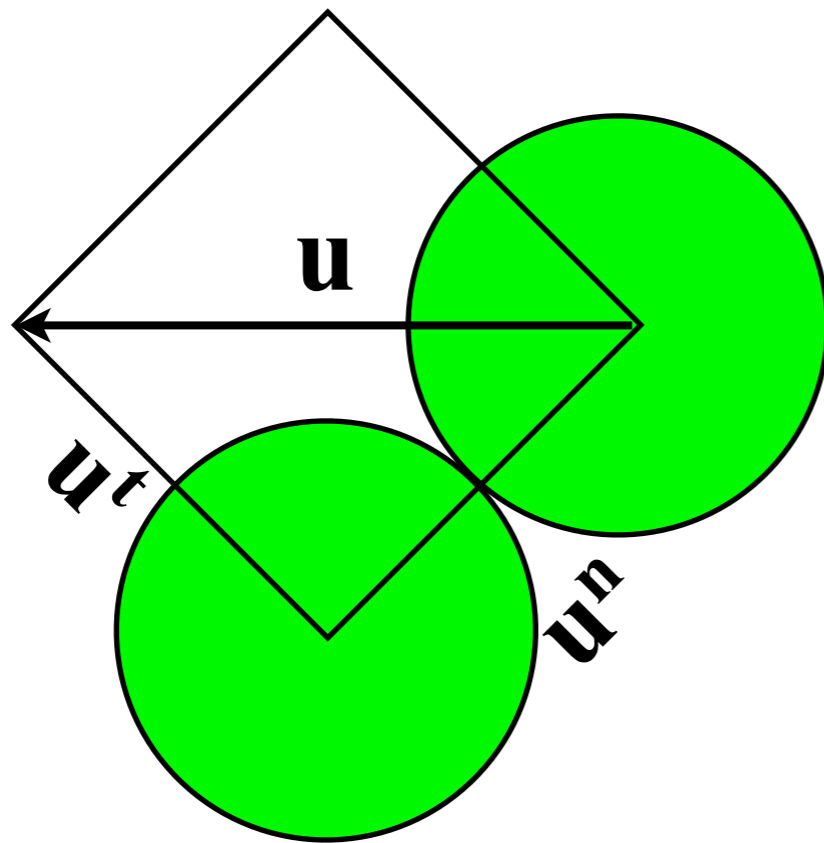
Blair et al, 2003



Goldhirsch et al, 1993

Key ingredient

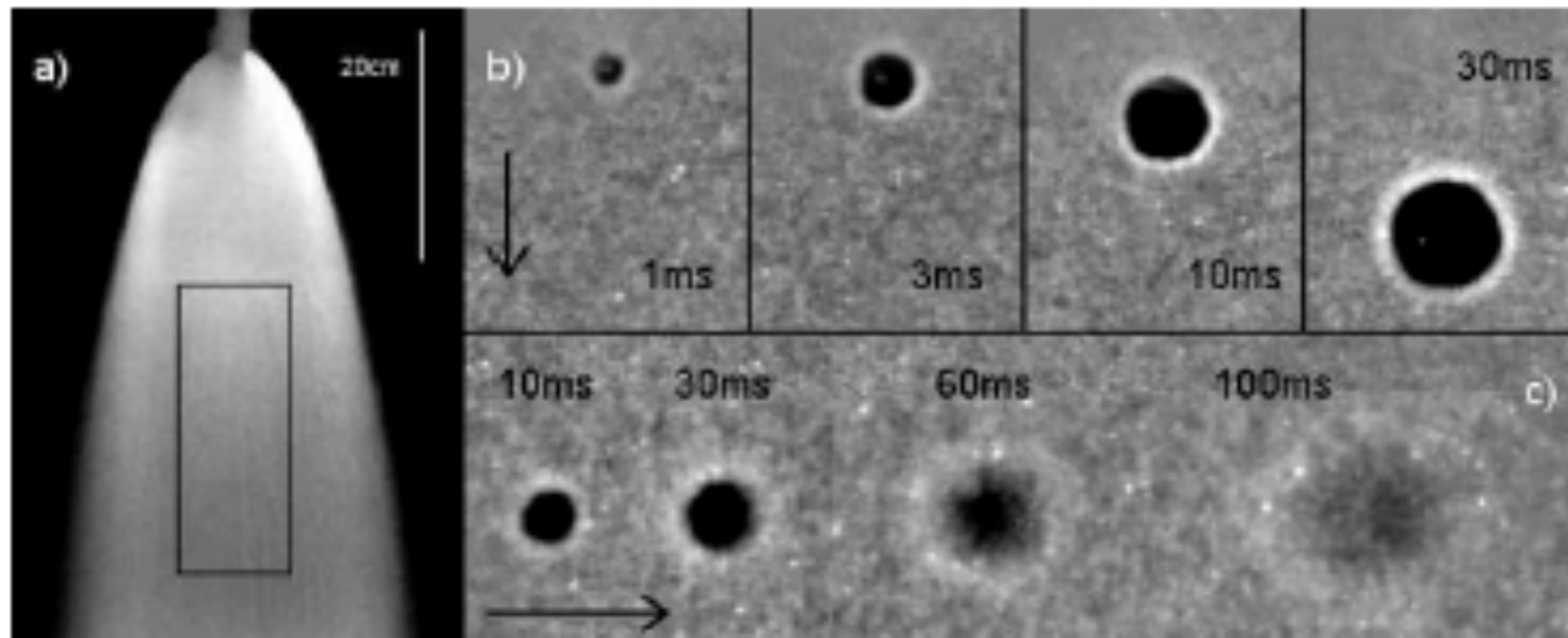
Collisions are inelastic



$$v^t = u^t$$
$$v^n = -ru^n$$

$$r < 1$$

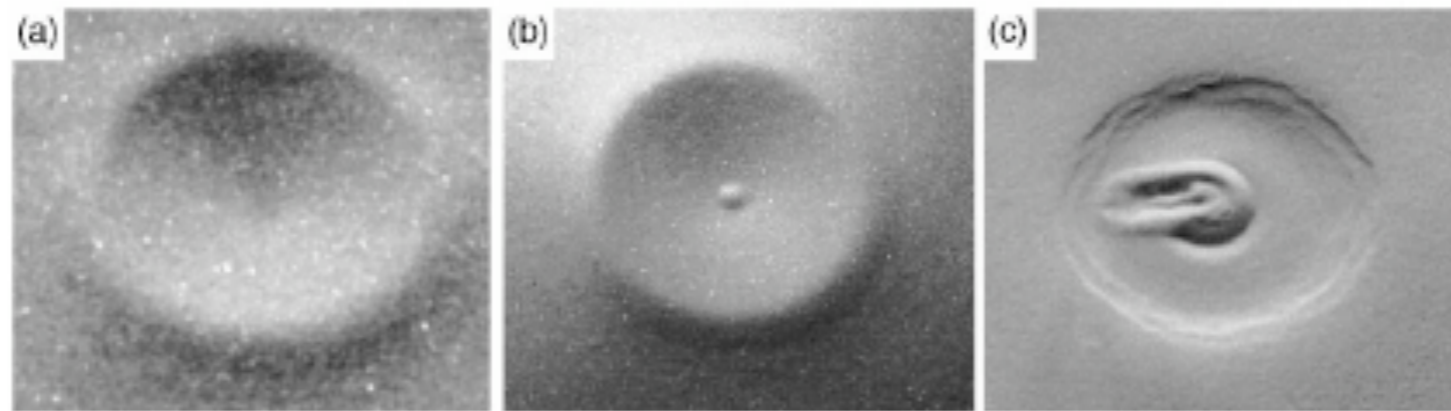
Experiments



Boudet et al, PRL 2009

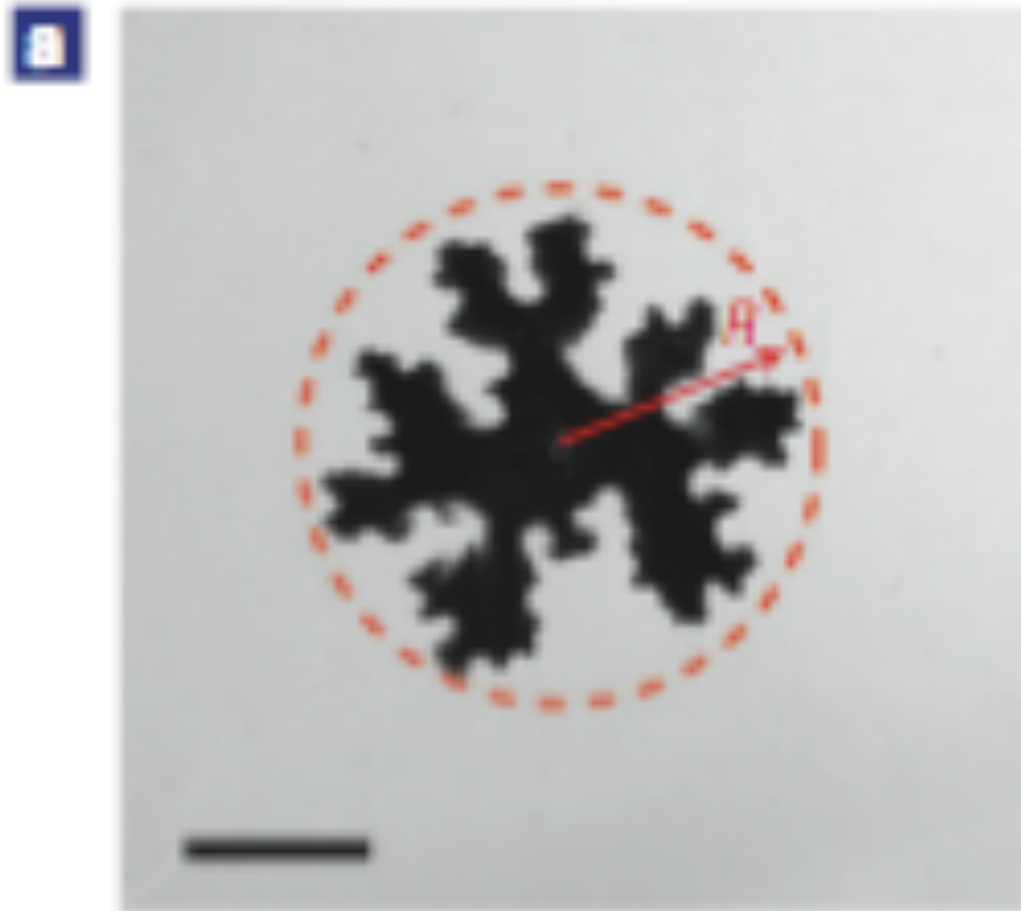
Experiments

Crater formation



Walsh et al, PRL 2003

Experiments



Cheng et al, Nature Phys, 2008

Freely cooling granular gas

- Give initial energy to particles
- Isolate system
- Energy loss through collisions
- Why study?
 - ★ Isolates effects of inelastic collisions
 - ★ Direct experiments
 - ★ As parts of larger driven systems
 - ★ Interacting particle systems

Homogeneous Cooling

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = -\frac{\Delta E}{\tau}$$

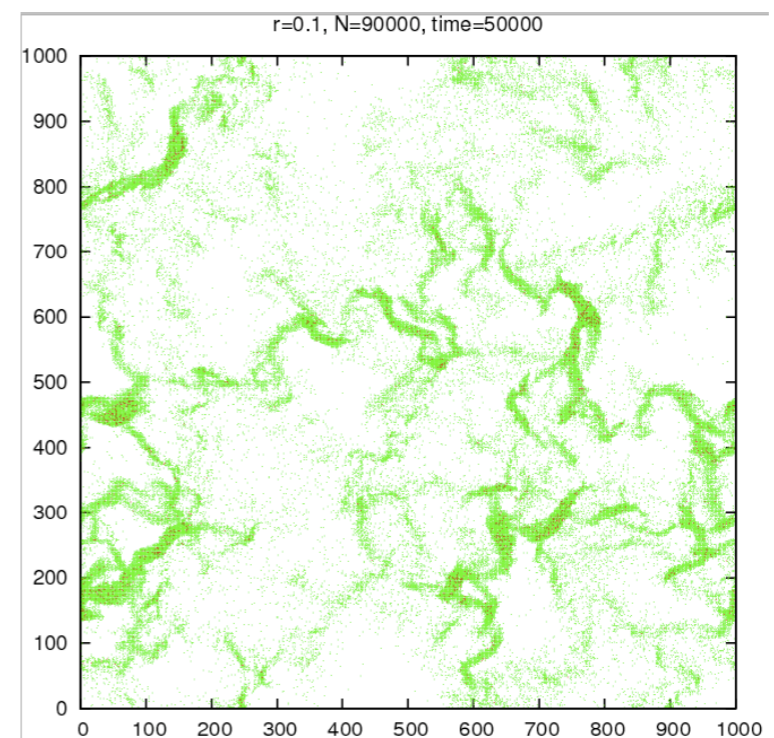
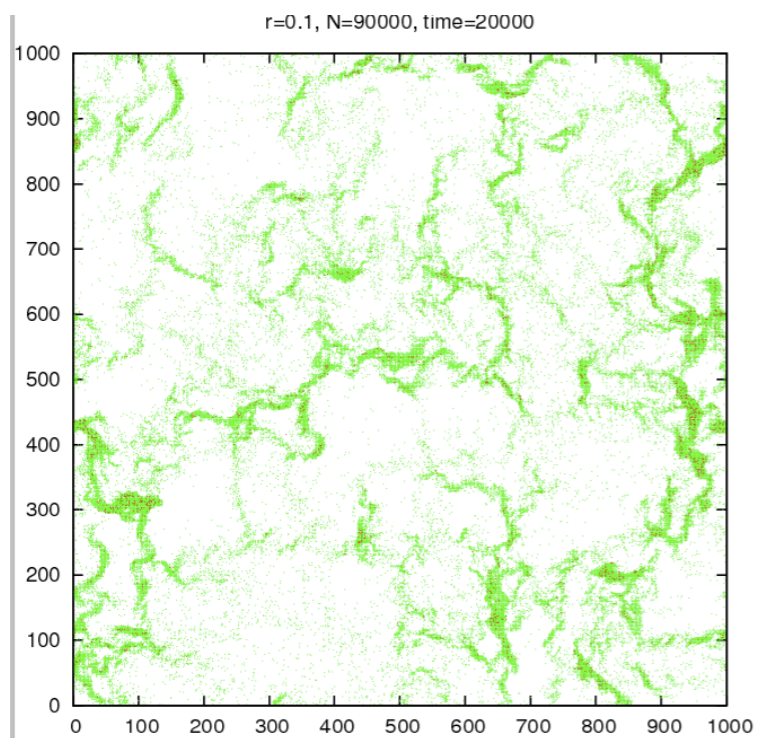
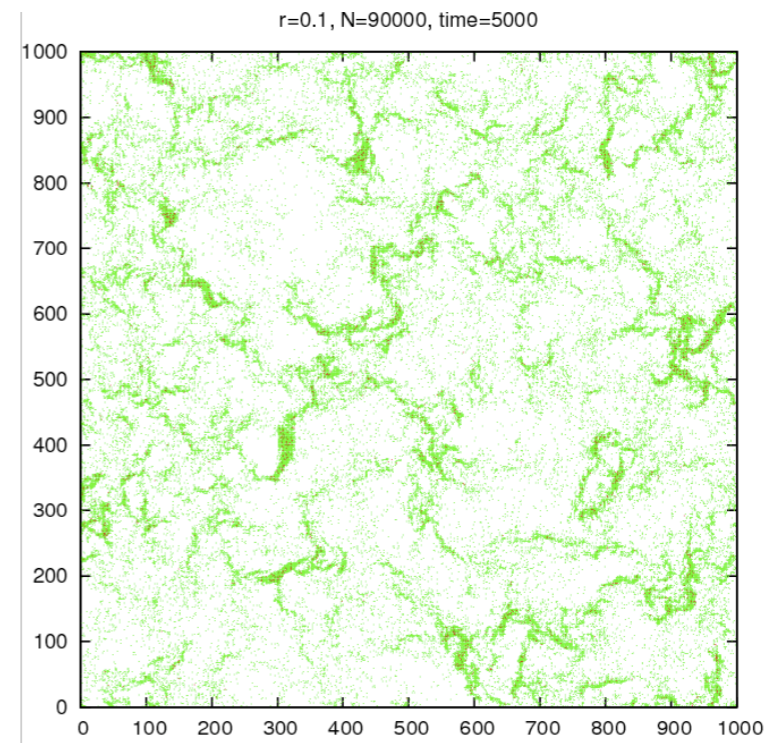
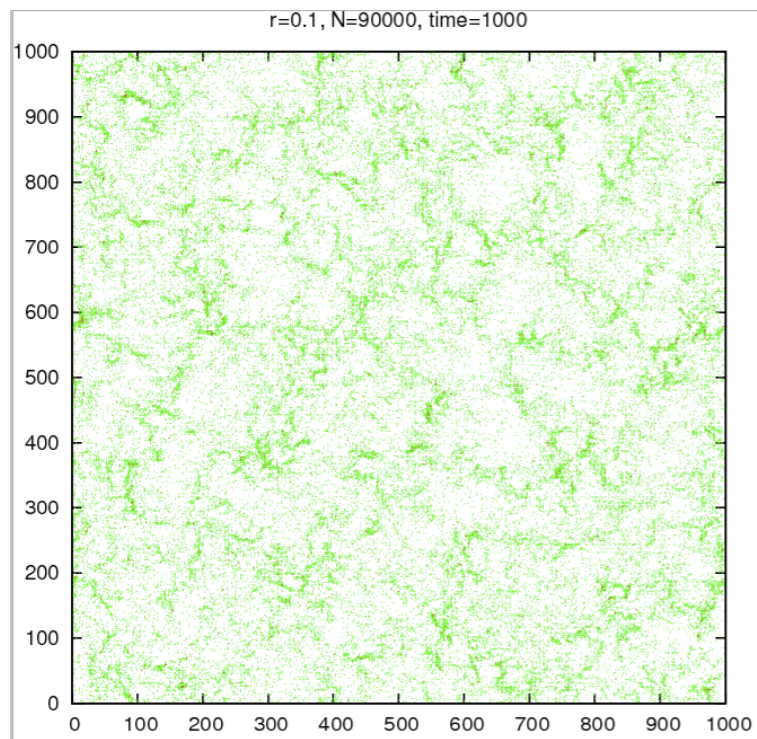
$$\frac{dE}{dt} \sim \frac{(1 - r^2)E}{a/\sqrt{E}}$$

$$E \sim \frac{1}{(1 - r^2)t^2 + c^2}$$

Haff's law [Haff, 1982](#)

Assumption: particles are homogeneously distributed

Clustering



Clustering

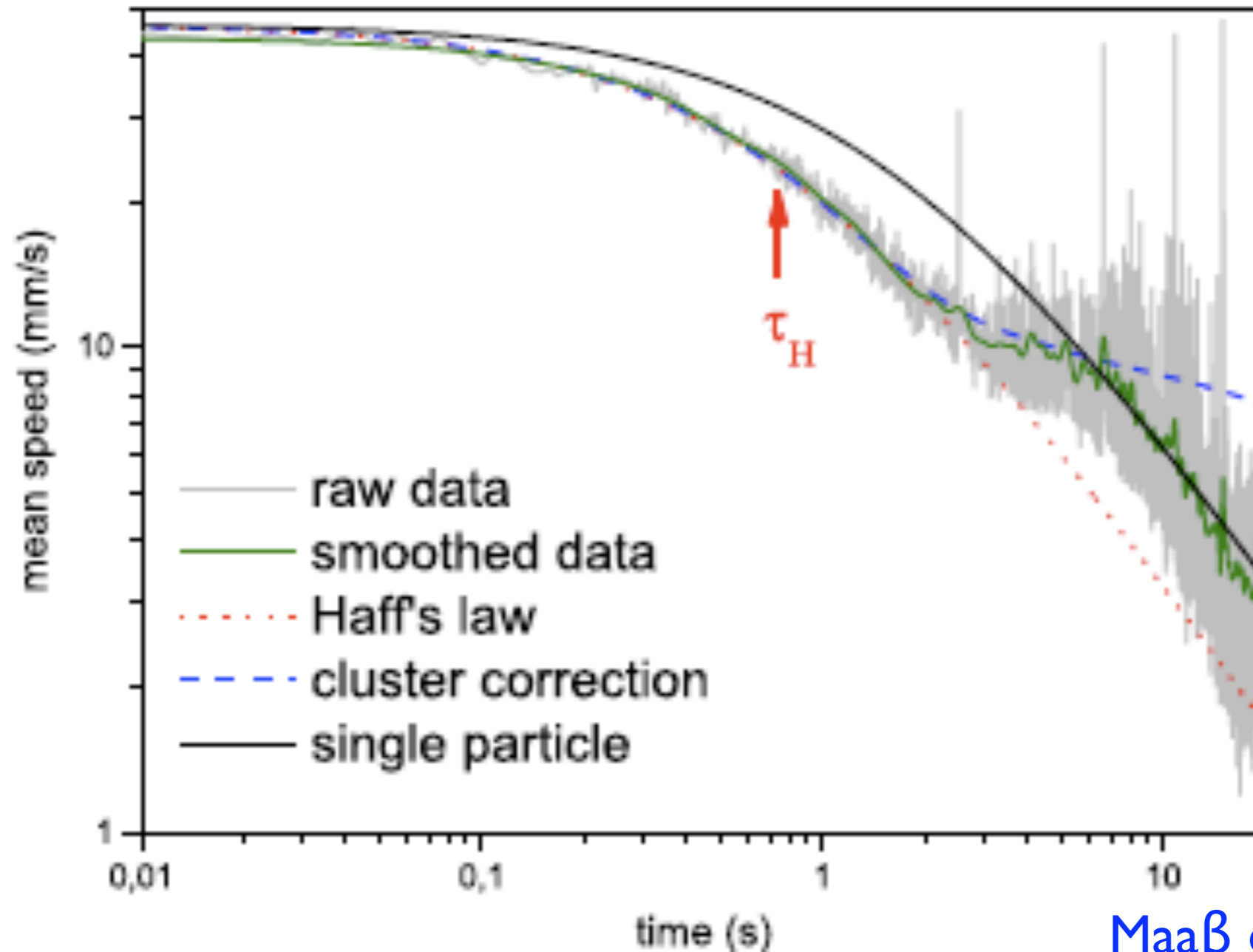
- Breakdown of Haff's law (kinetic theory)
- New regime: inhomogeneous clustered regime

Experiments

- friction
- boundary effects

Experiments

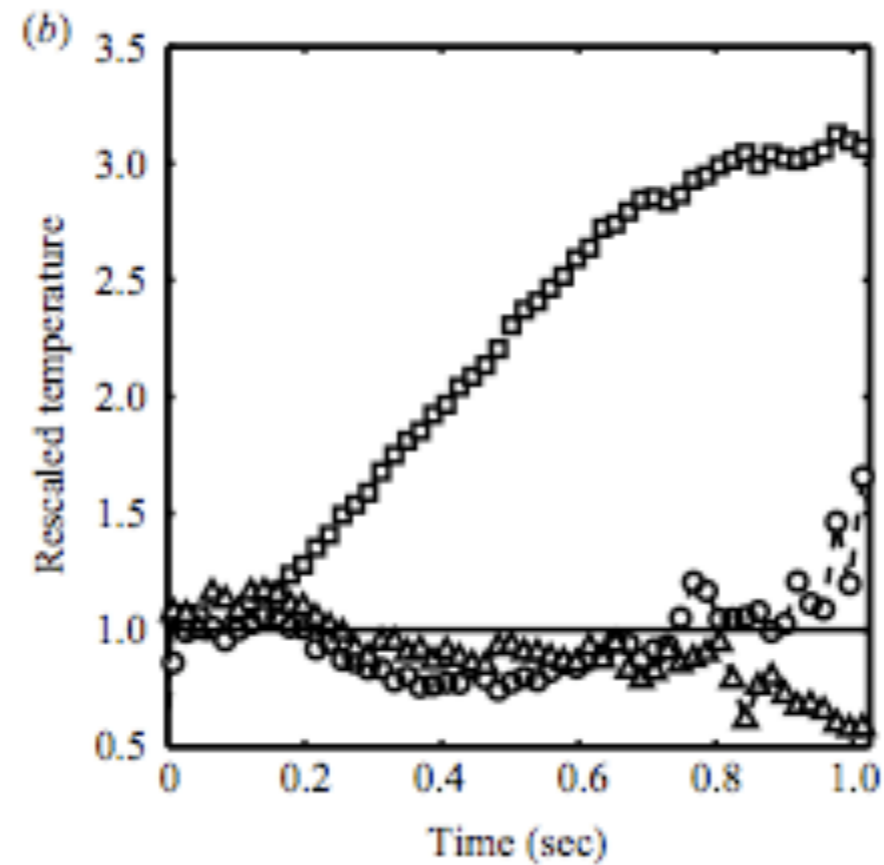
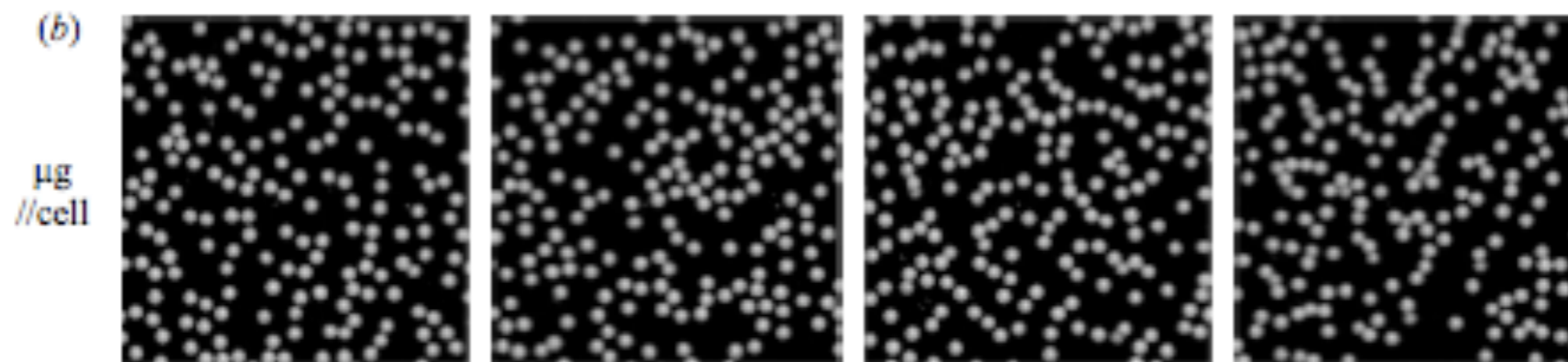
Levitation



Maaß et al, 2008

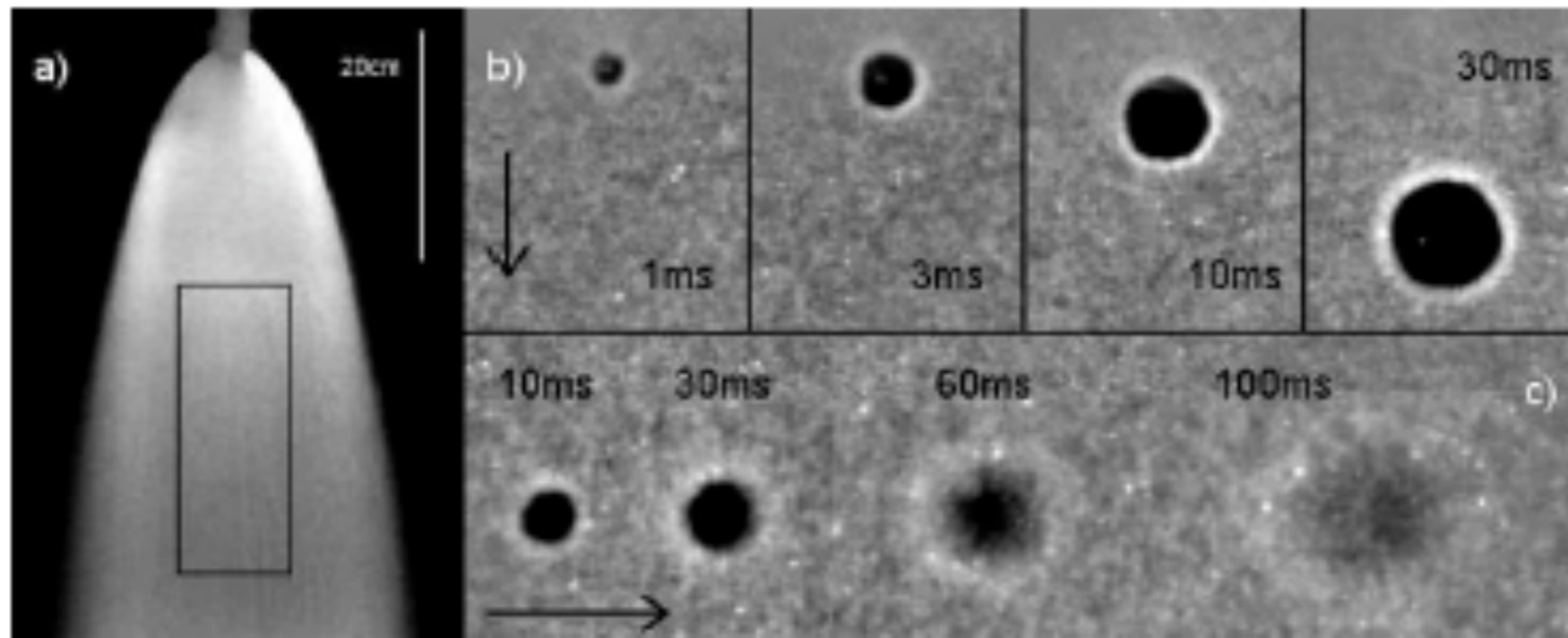
Experiments

Microgravity



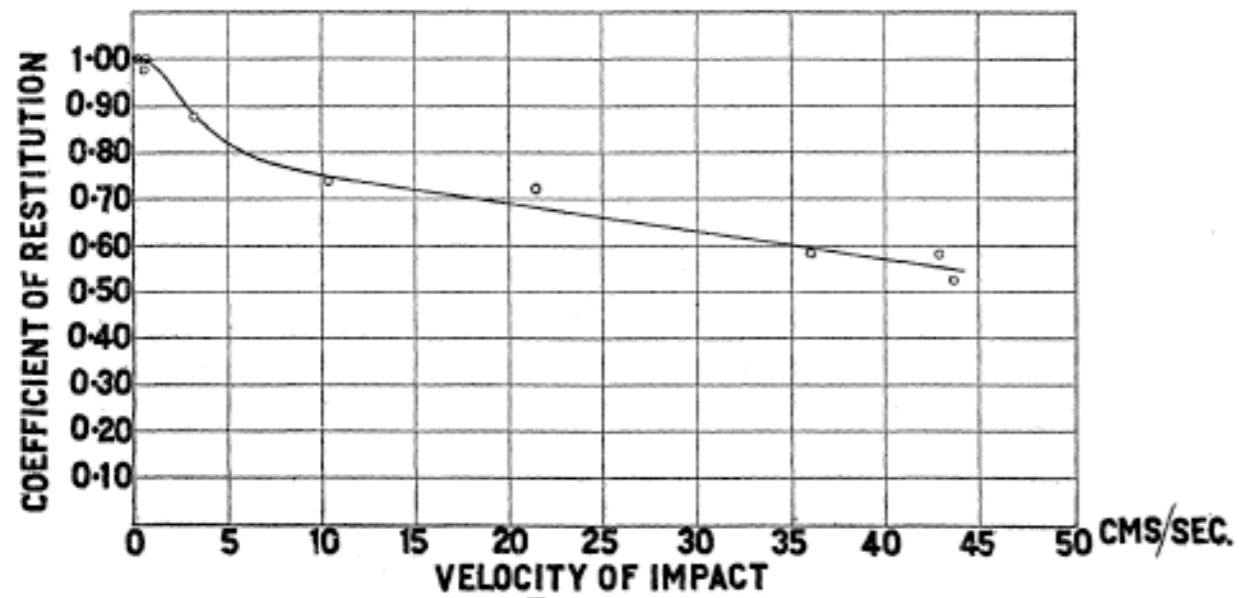
Tatsumi et al, 2009

Clustering

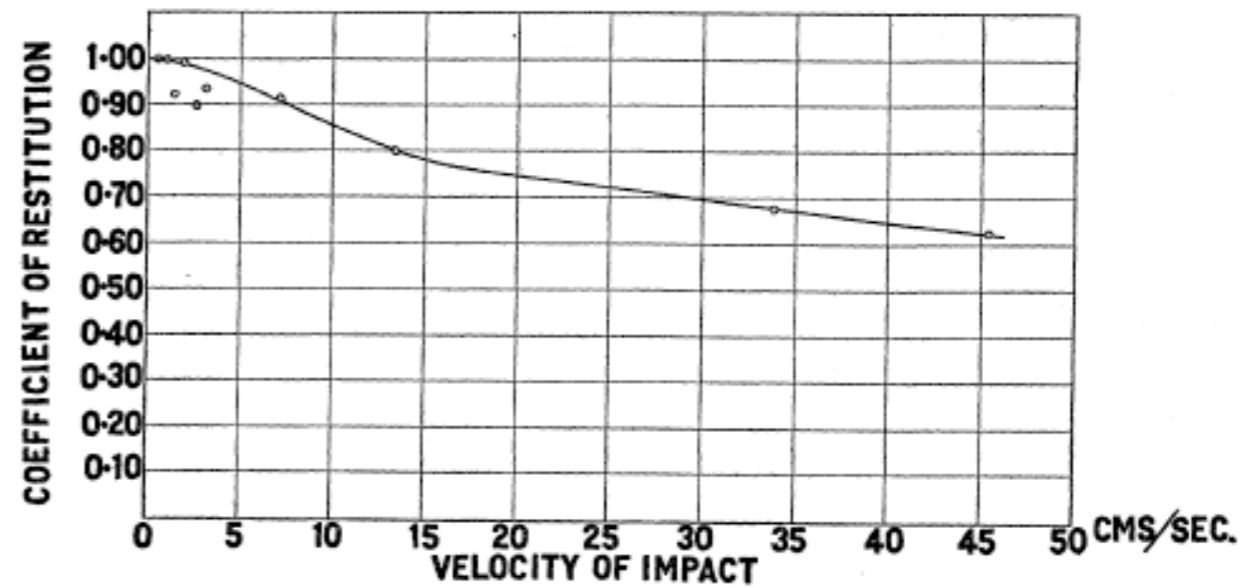


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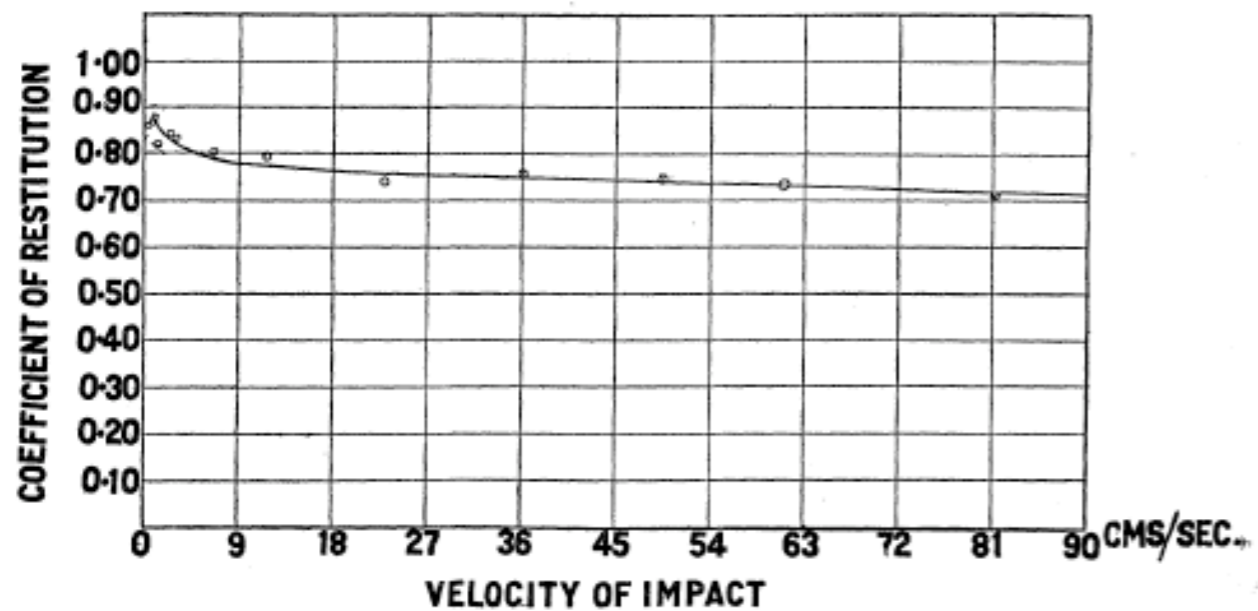
A constant coefficient of restitution?



Brass



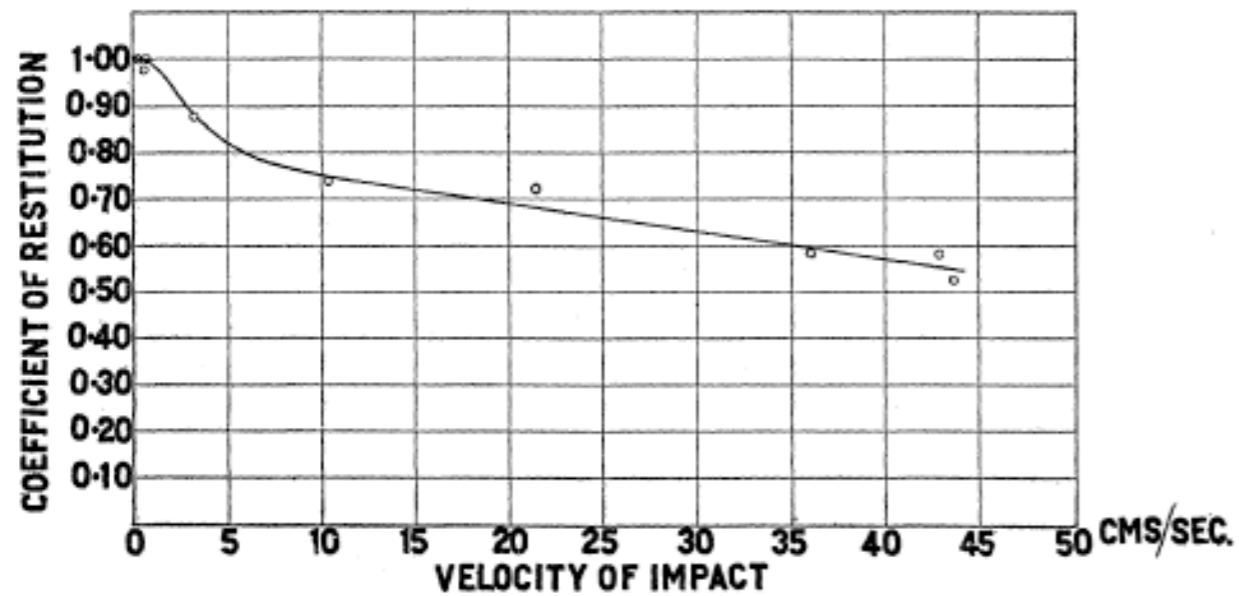
Aluminium



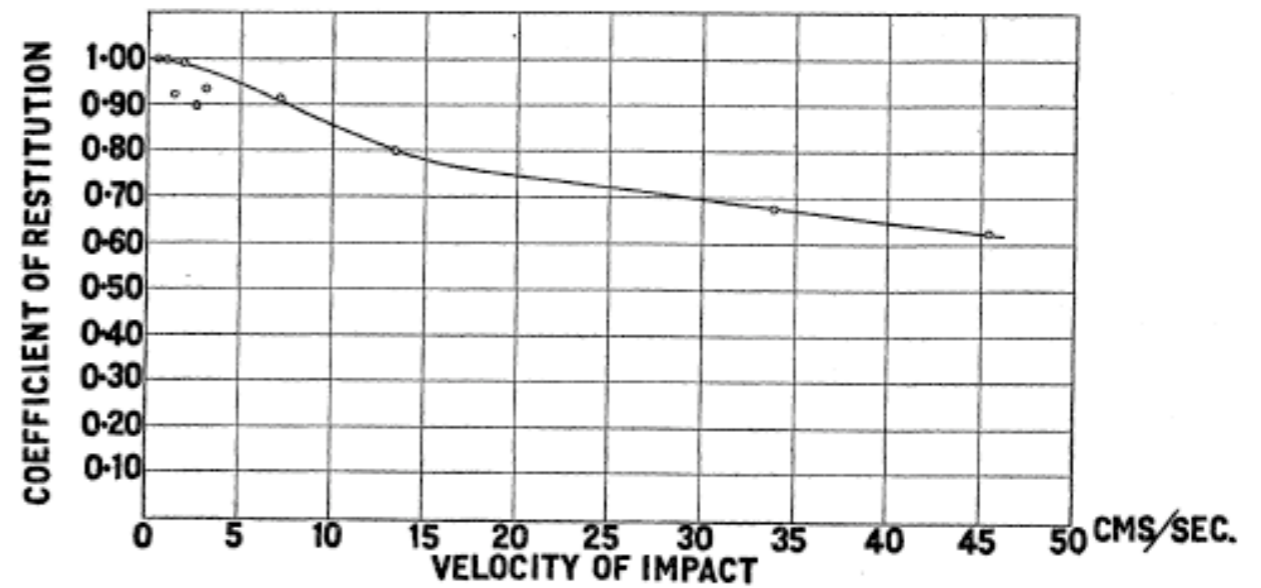
Marble

C.V. Raman, 1918

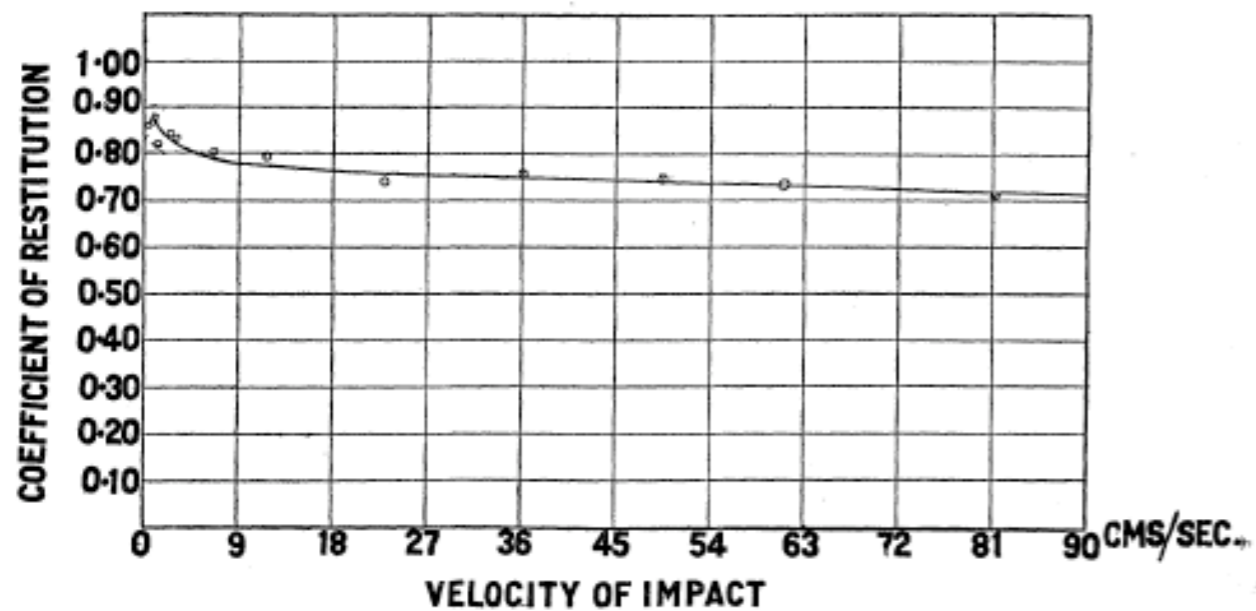
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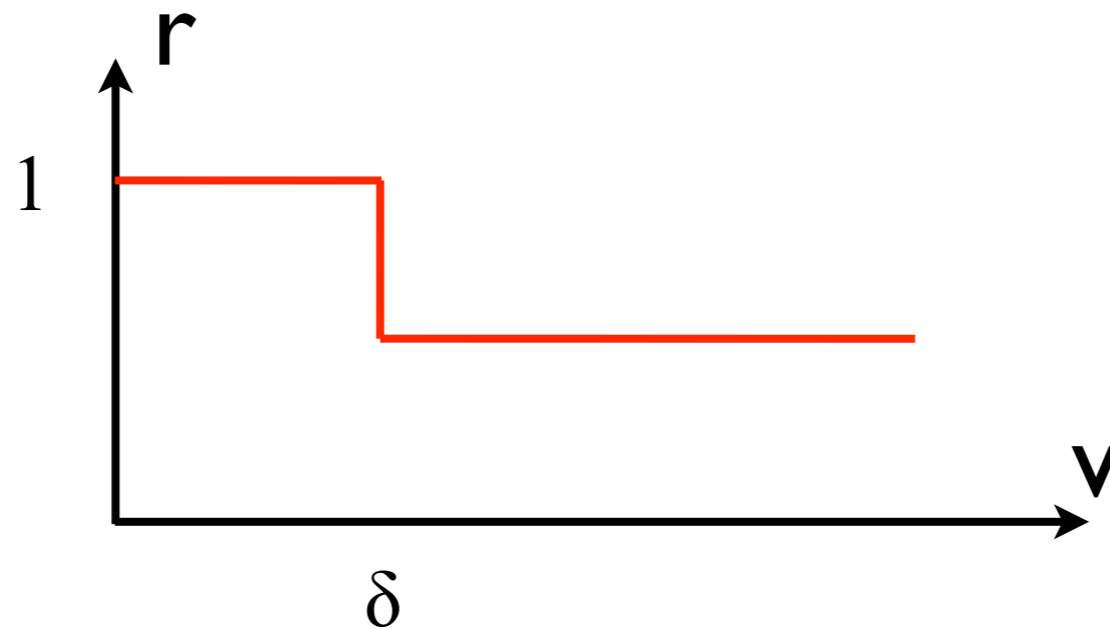
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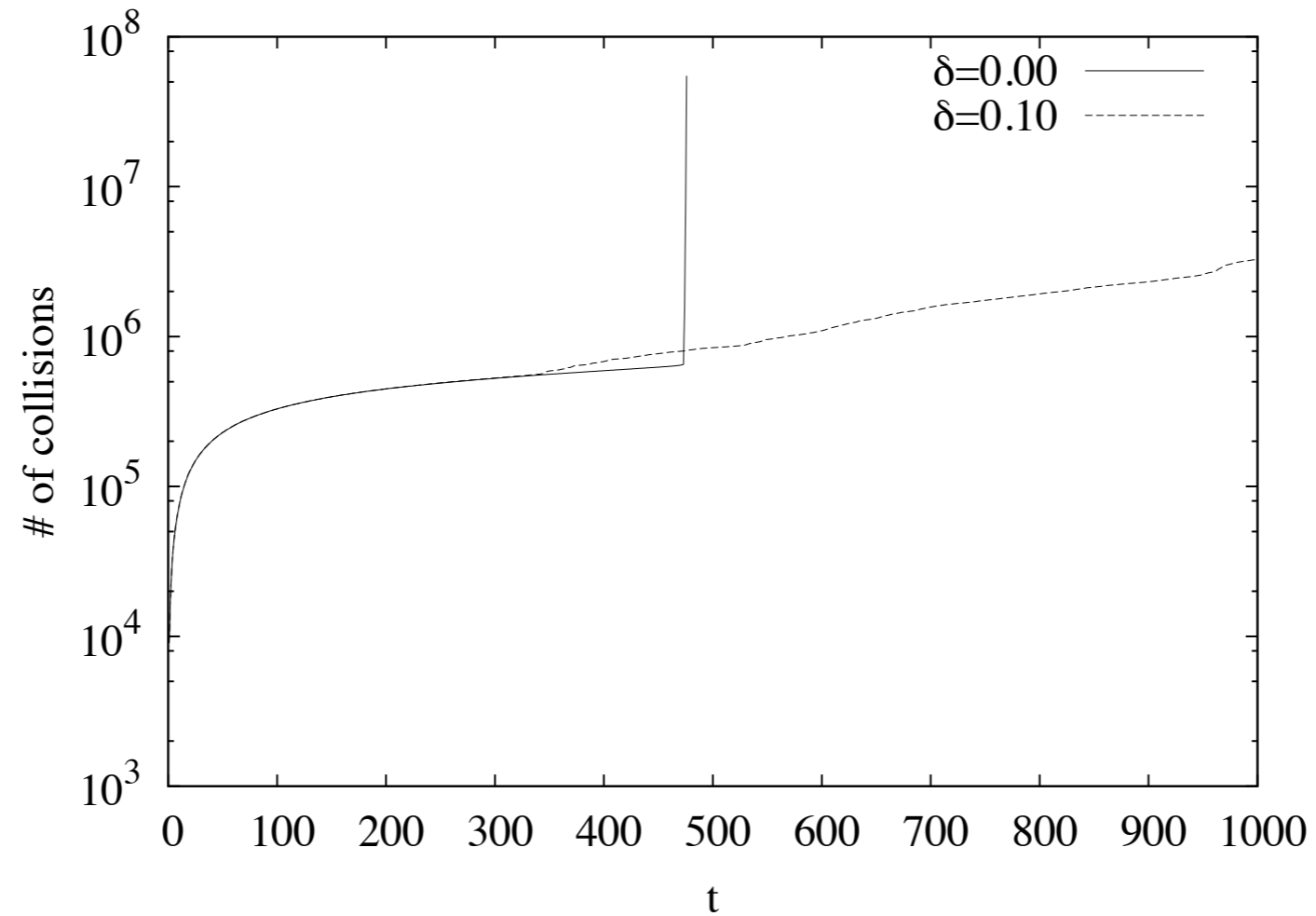
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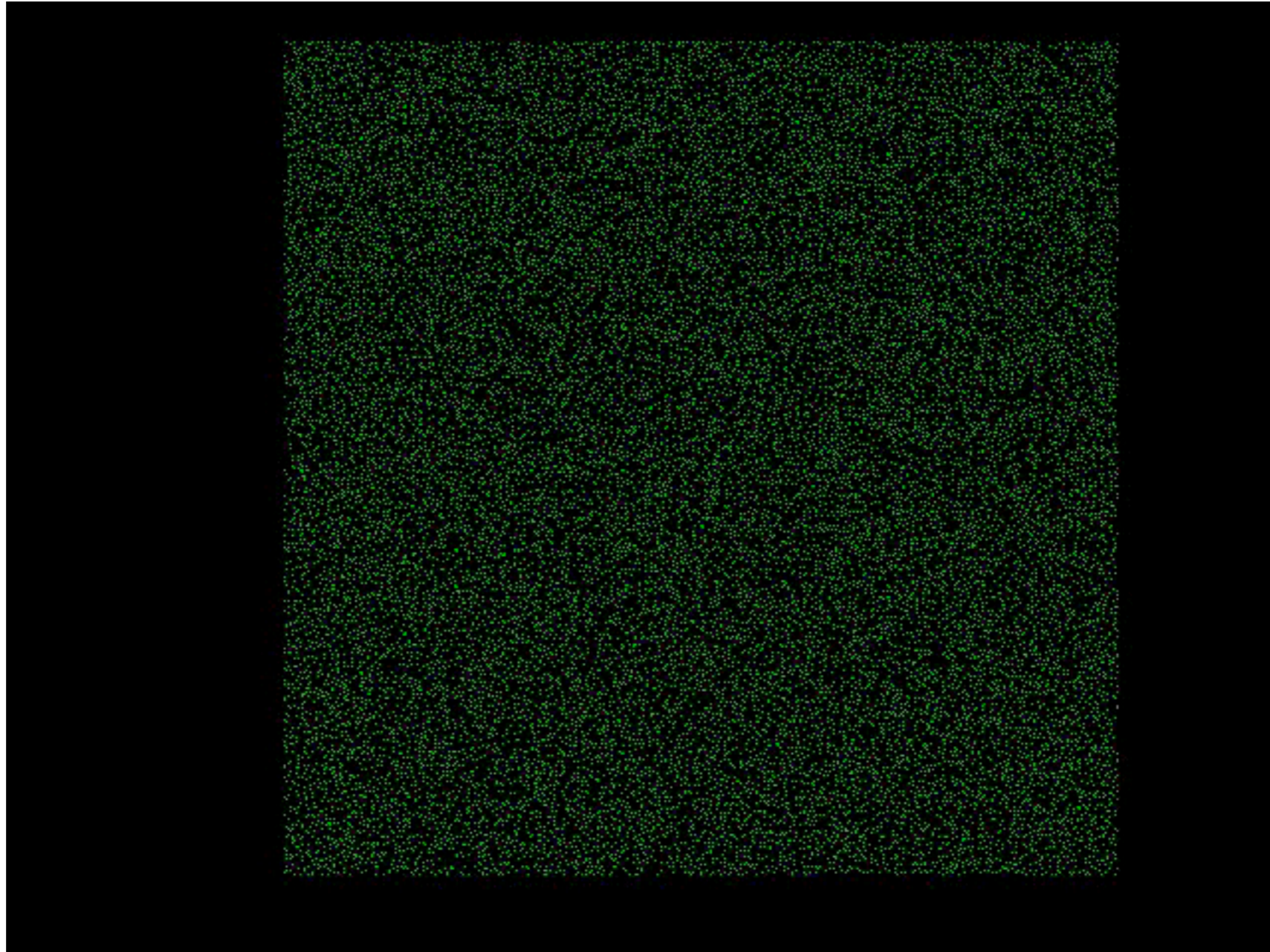


Do we need δ ?

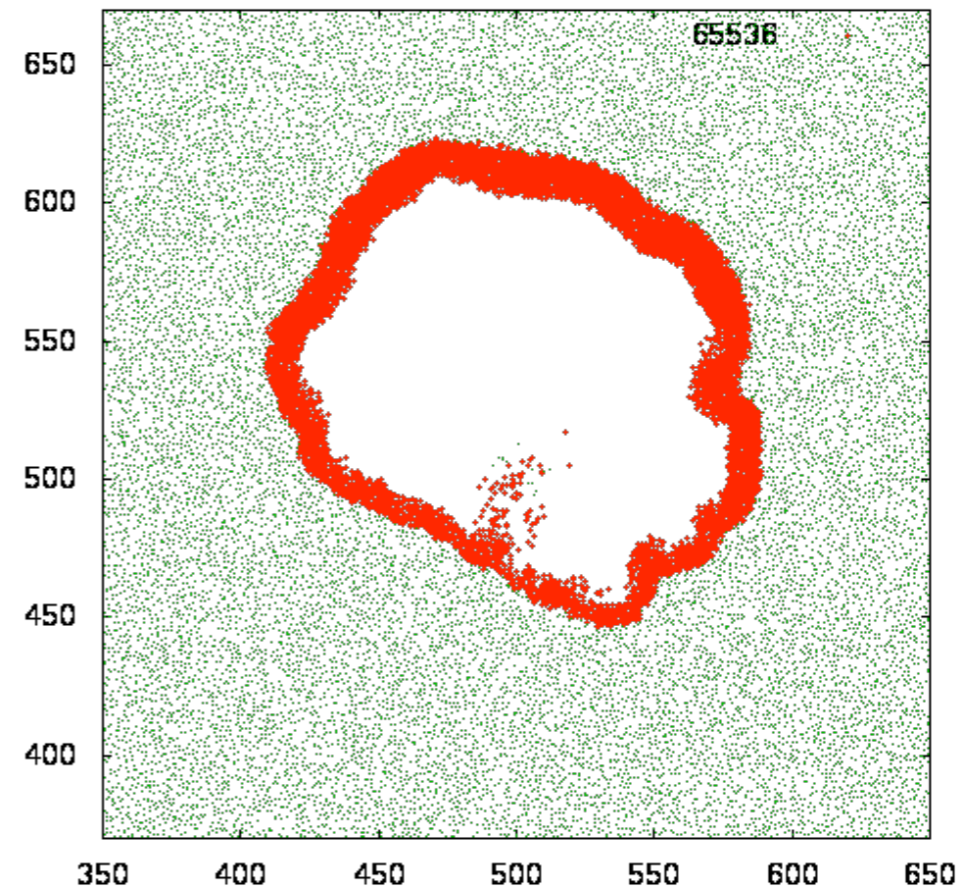
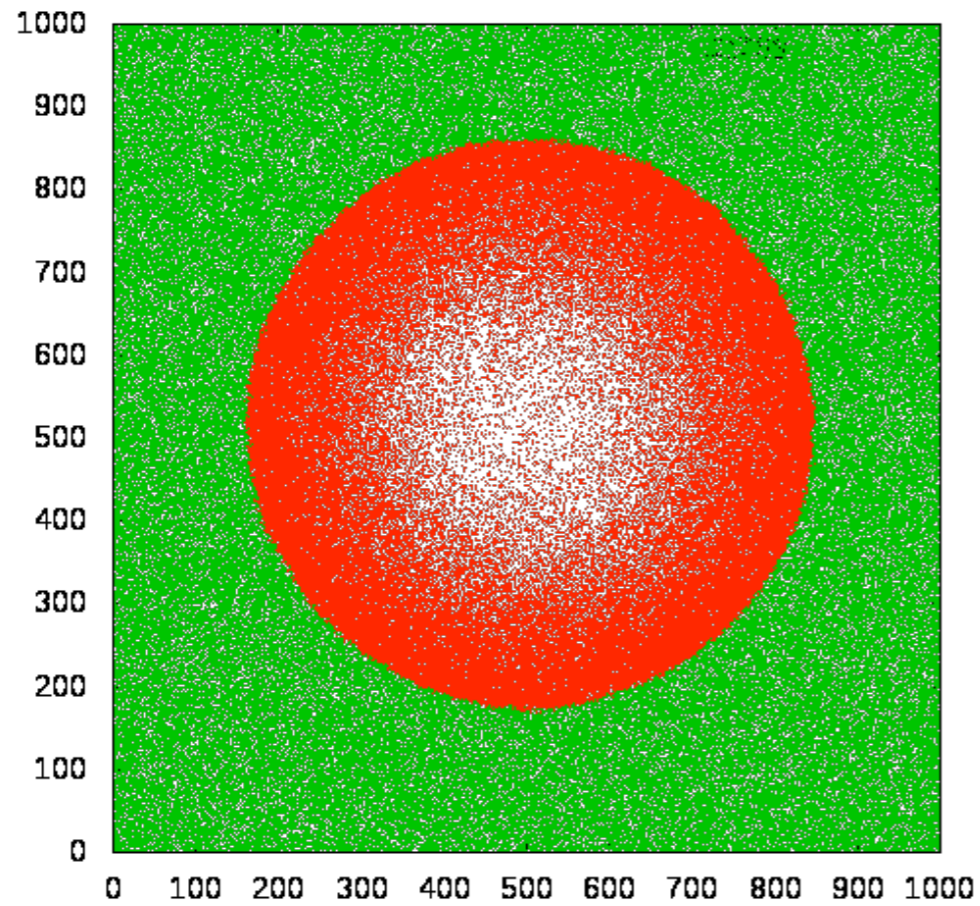


Inelastic collapse

Computer simulation



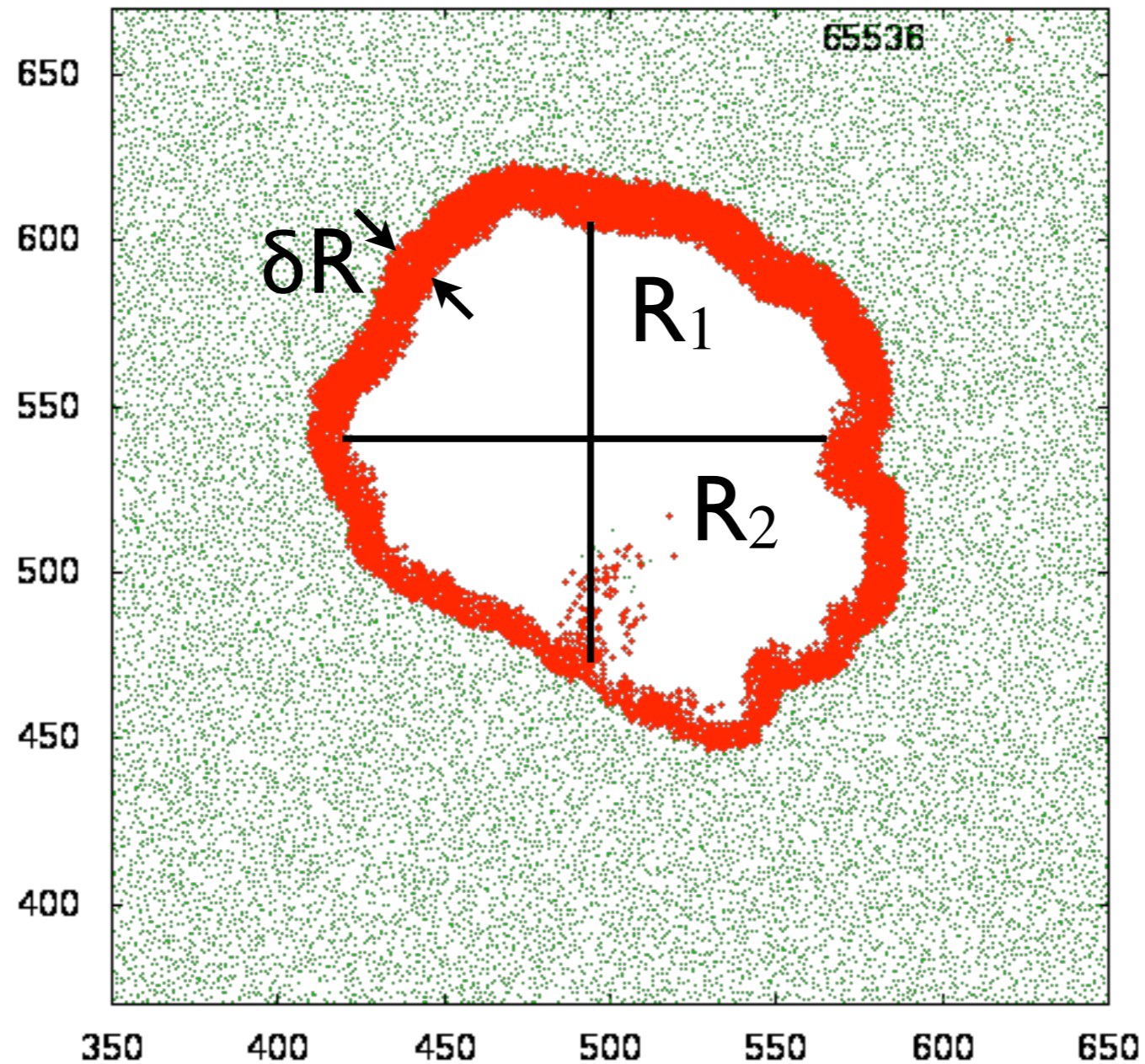
Elastic vs Inelastic



Scaling analysis

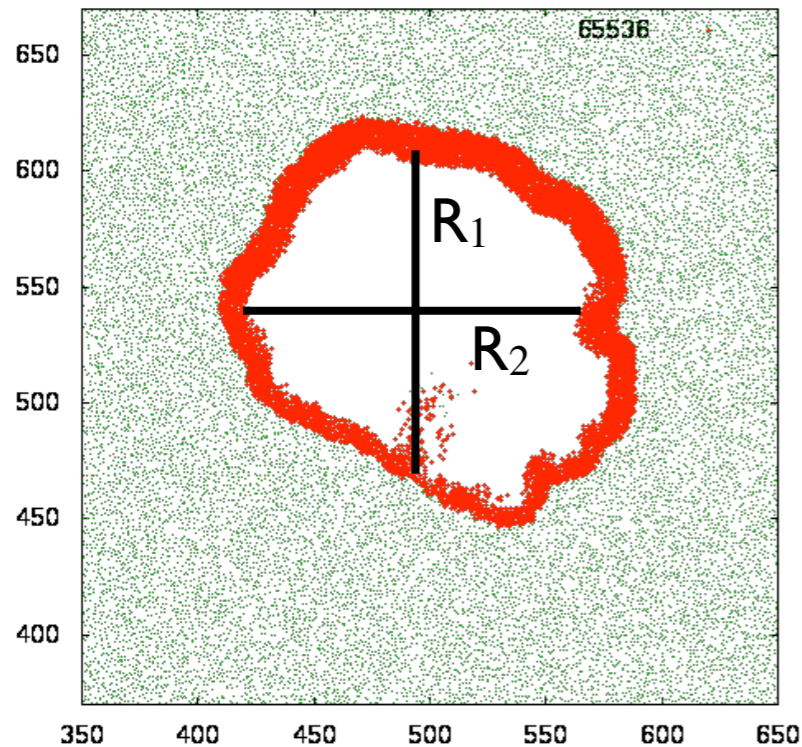
Let $R_t \sim t^\alpha$

Length scales



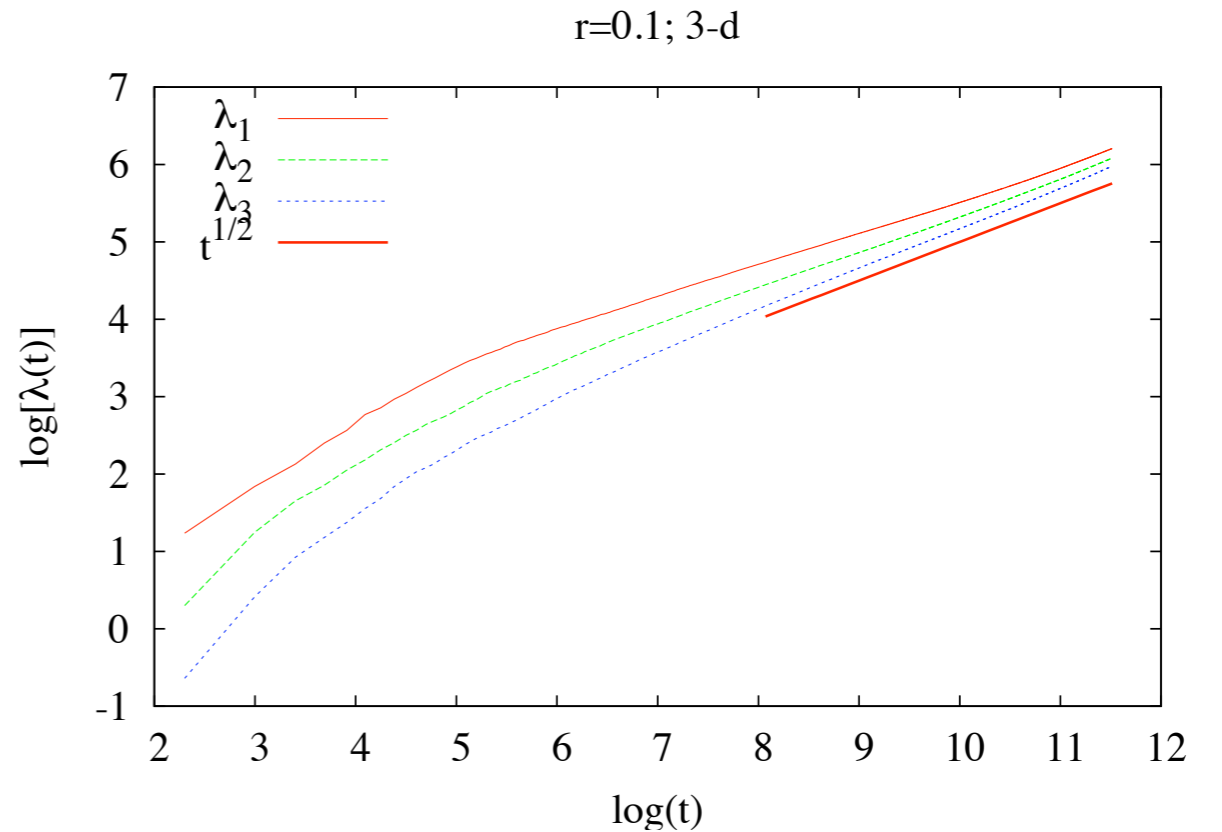
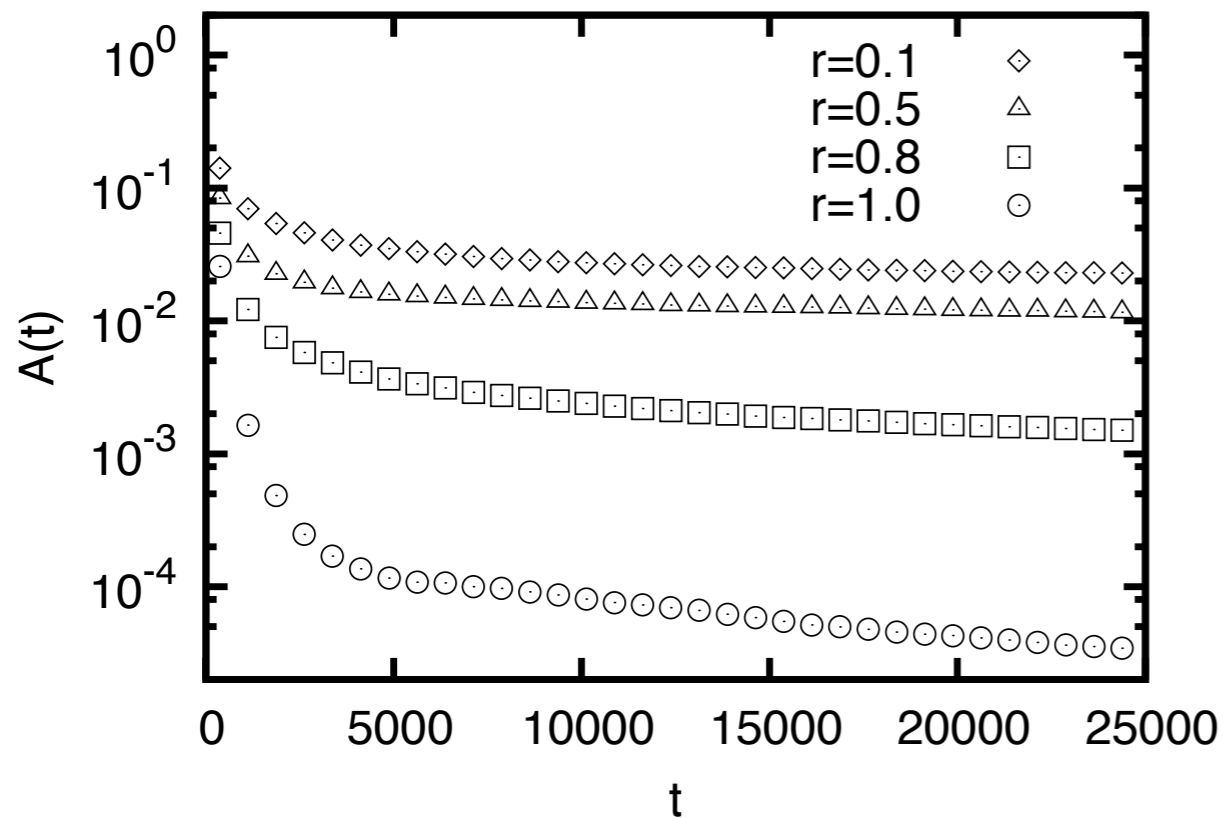
Do all these lengths scale as t^α ?

Length scales

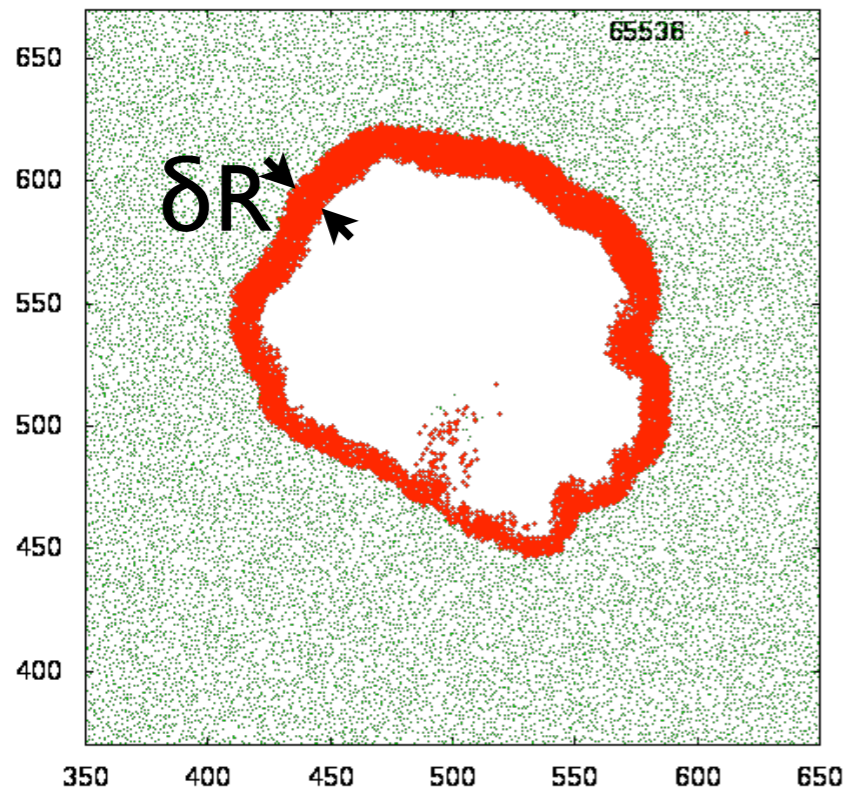


$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle R_x^2 \rangle & \langle R_x R_y \rangle \\ \langle R_x R_y \rangle & \langle R_y^2 \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \left(\frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \right)^2$$



Length scales

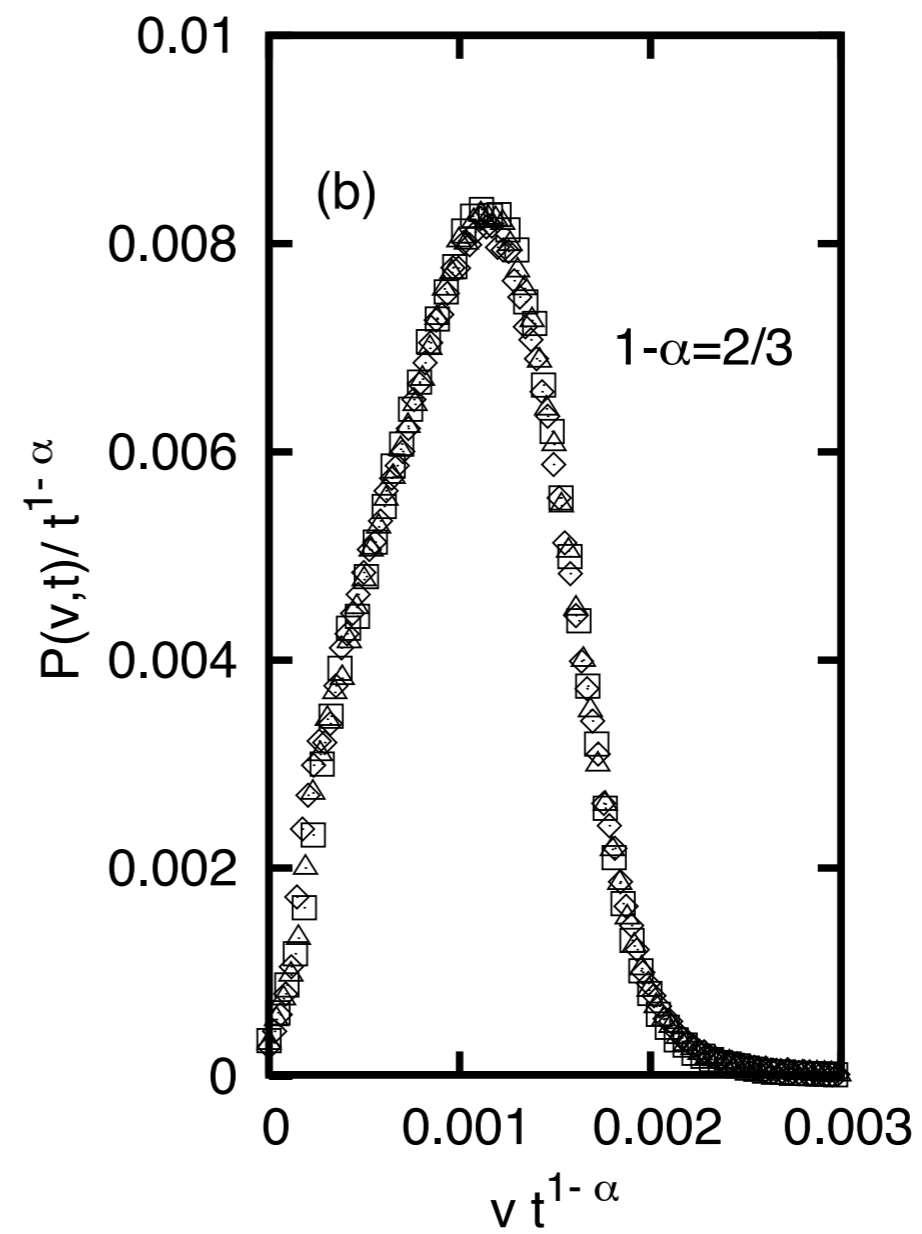
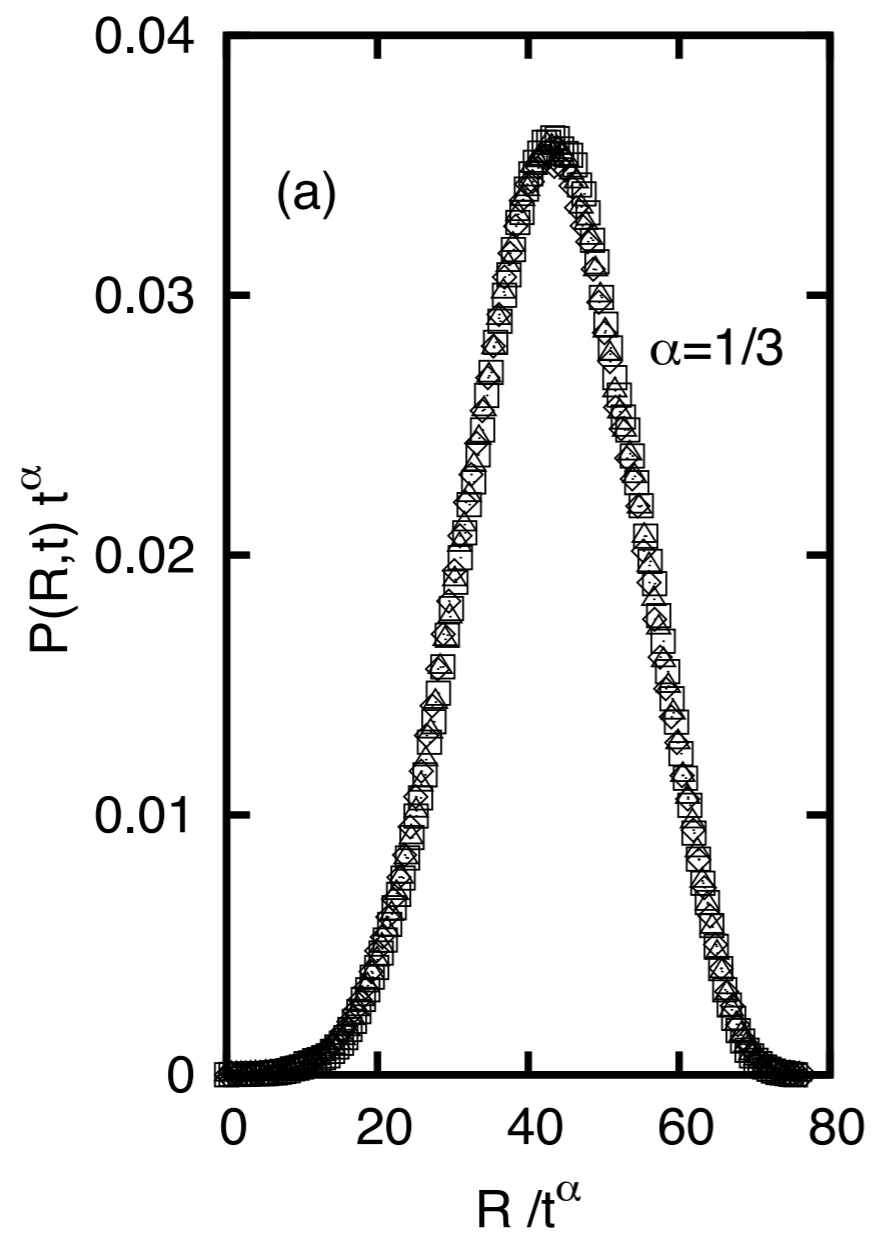


$$P(R, t) = f(R, \delta R, t)$$

$$P(R, t) = f(R, t)$$

$$P(R, t) = \frac{1}{R} g\left(\frac{R}{t^\alpha}\right)$$

Prob dist (2-D)



Scaling analysis

$$\text{Let } R_t \sim t^\alpha$$

$$v_t = \frac{dR_t}{dt} \sim t^{\alpha-1}$$

$$N_t \sim R_t^d \sim t^{\alpha d}$$

$$E_t \sim N_t v_t^2 \sim t^{\alpha d + 2\alpha - 2}$$

Scaling (elastic limit)

$$E_t \sim N_t v_t^2 \sim t^{\alpha d + 2\alpha - 2}$$

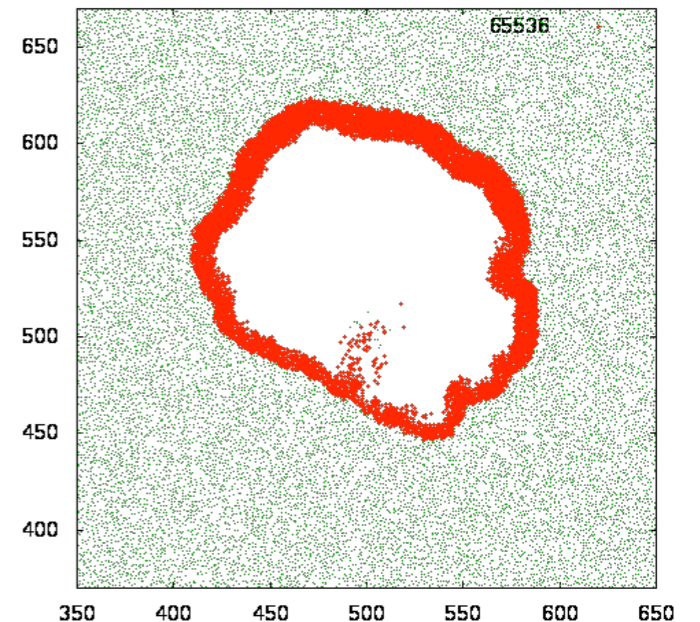
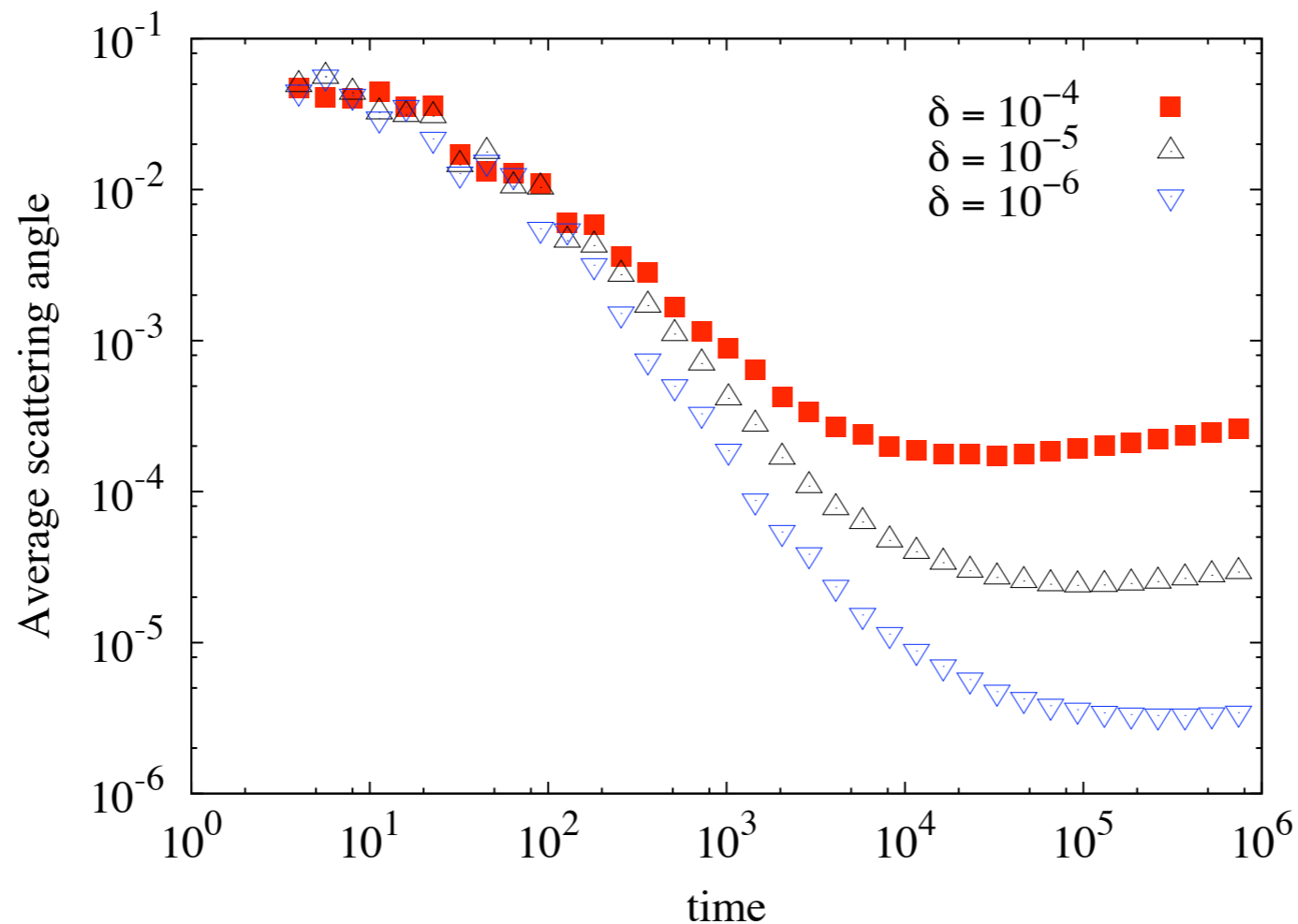
But energy is a constant

$$\alpha d + 2\alpha - 2 = 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2}{d + 2}$$

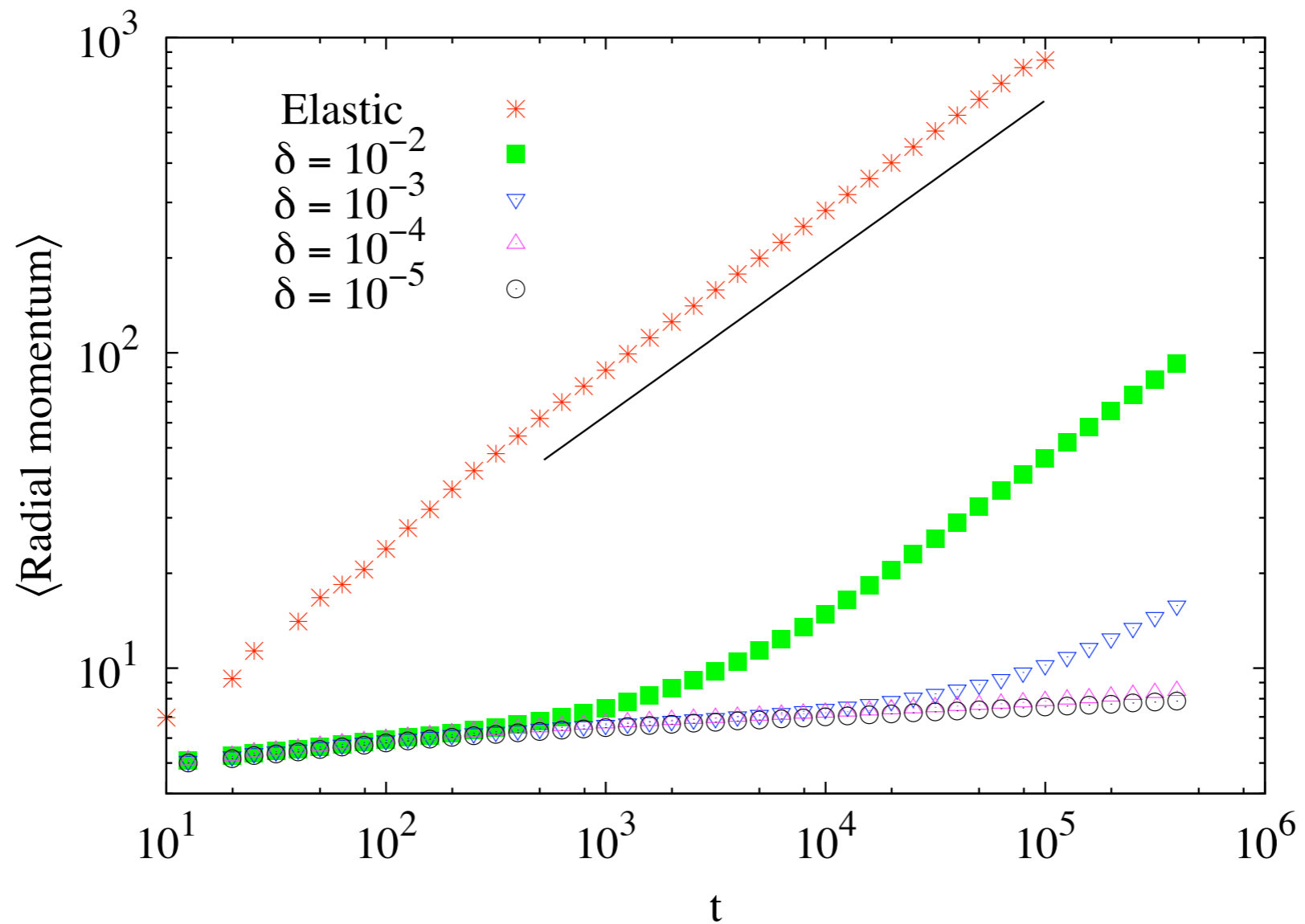
Scaling (inelastic limit)

- clustering for all $r < 1$
- Particle direction remains constant



Radial Momentum

- radial momentum is conserved



Scaling (inelastic limit)

$$N_t v_t d\Omega = \text{constant}$$

$$\alpha d + \alpha - 1 = 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{d+1}$$

$$\alpha_{el} = \frac{2}{d+2}$$

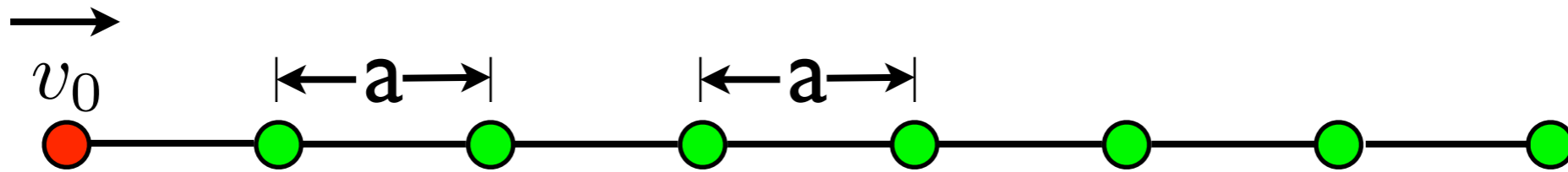
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A calculation in one dimension



Special case: $r=0$ [sticky limit]

After $m - 1$ collisions, mass of particle is m

Momentum conservation $\implies v_{m-1} = \frac{v_0}{m}$

$$t_m = \frac{a}{v_0} + \frac{a}{v_1} + \dots + \frac{a}{v_{m-1}} = a \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{i}{v_0} \propto m^2$$

$$m \sim N_t \sim R_t \sim \sqrt{t}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \quad d = 1$$

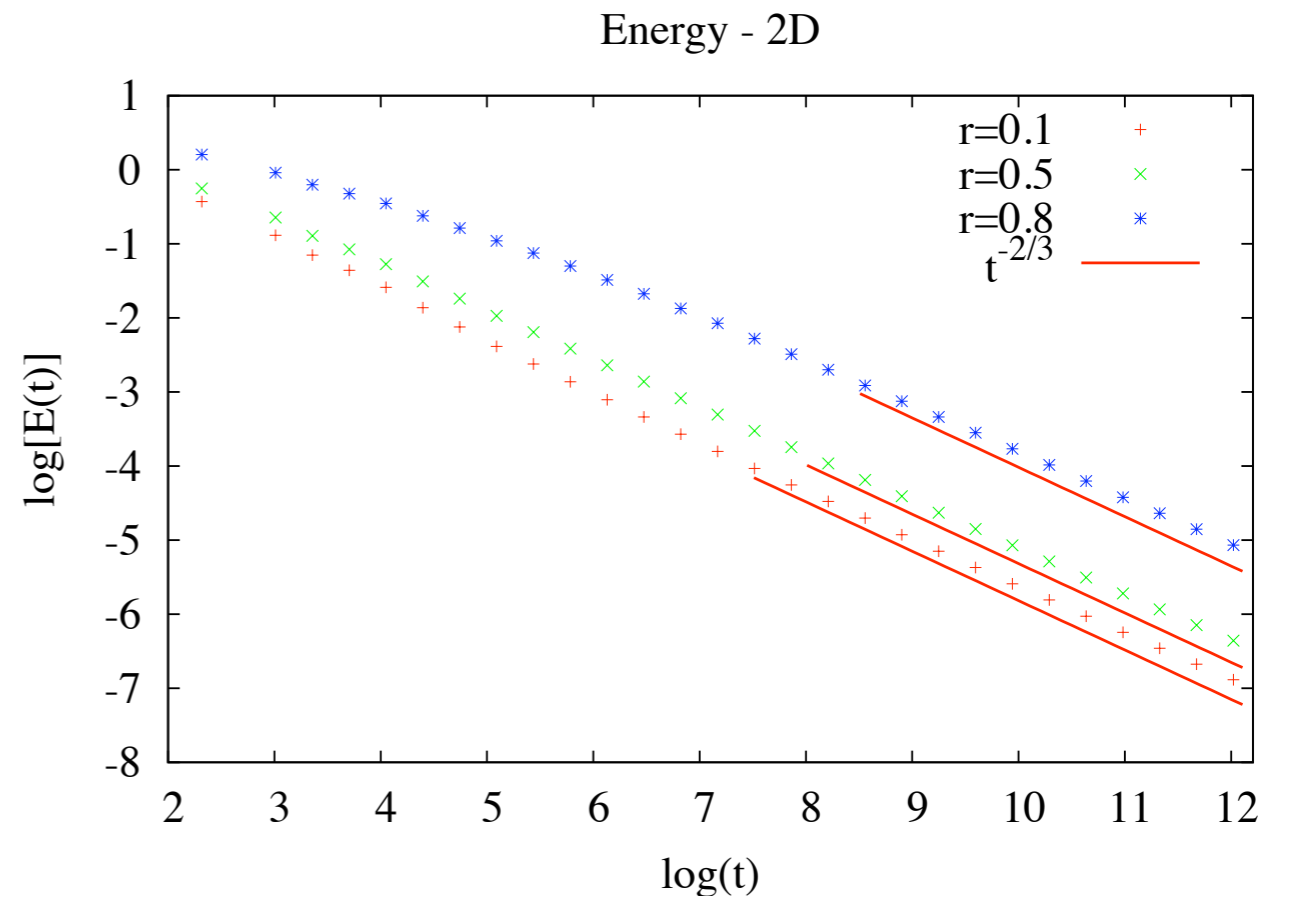
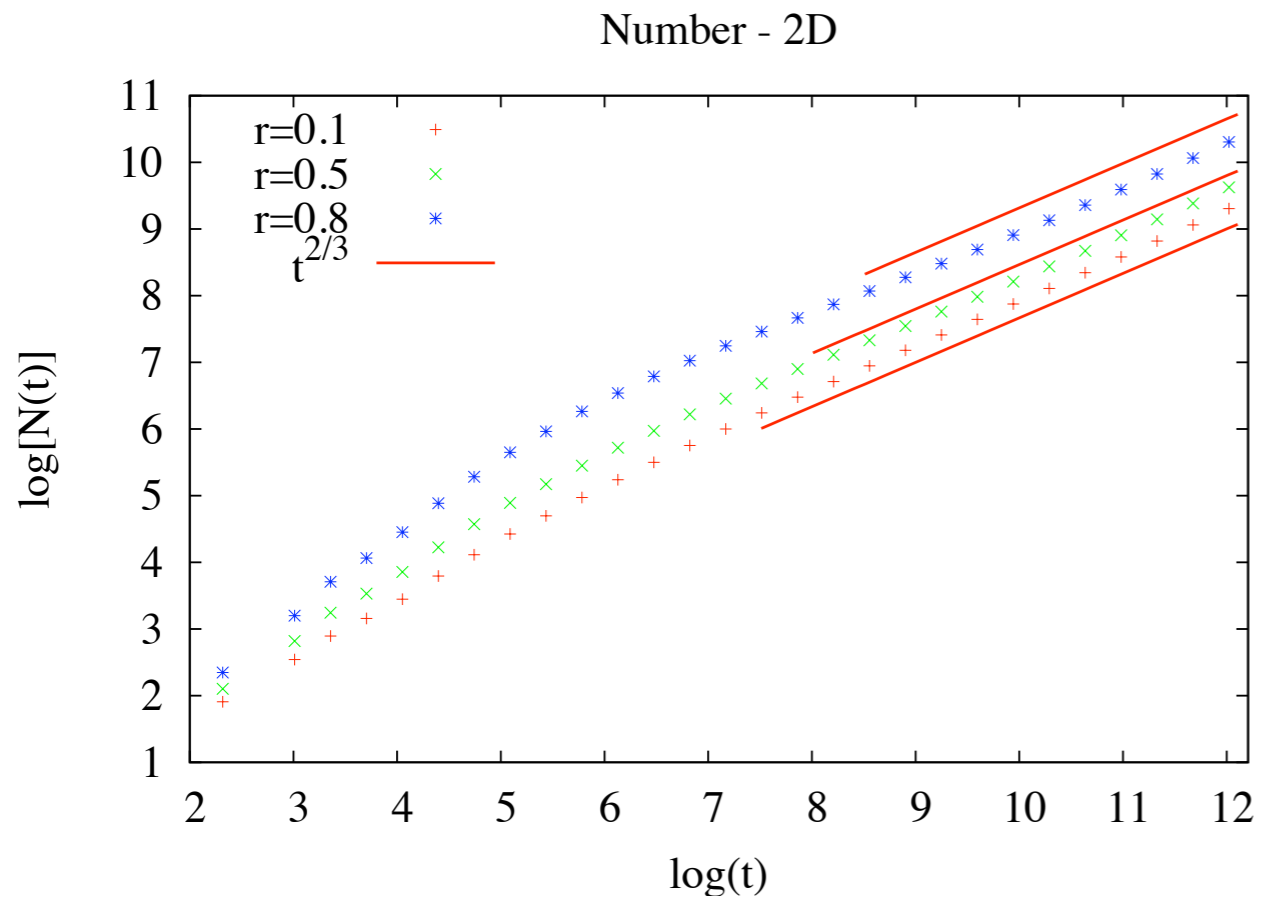
Recall

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{d+1}$$

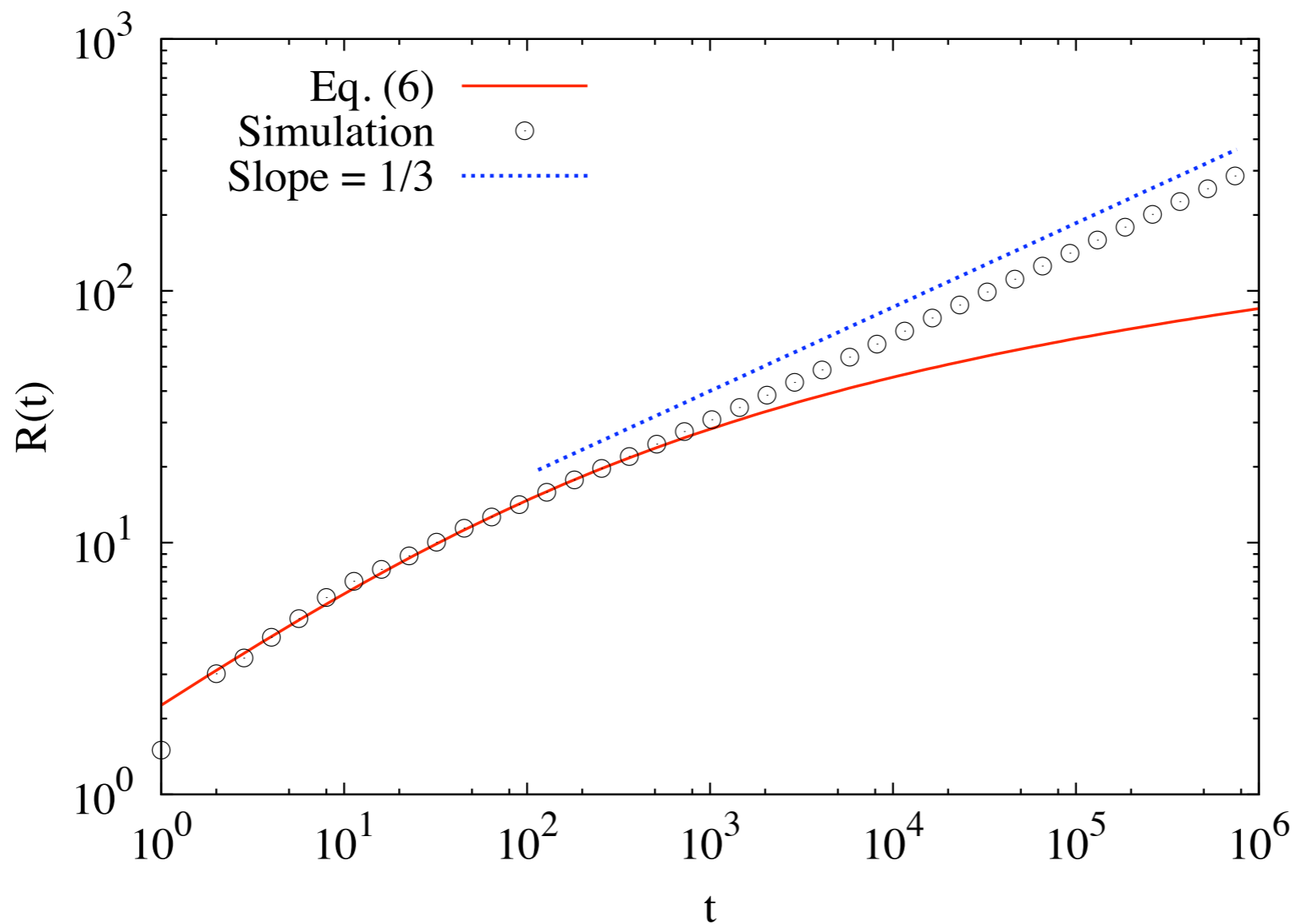
Simulation-2d

$$\langle N(t) \rangle \sim t^{2/3}$$

$$\langle E(t) \rangle \sim t^{-2/3}$$



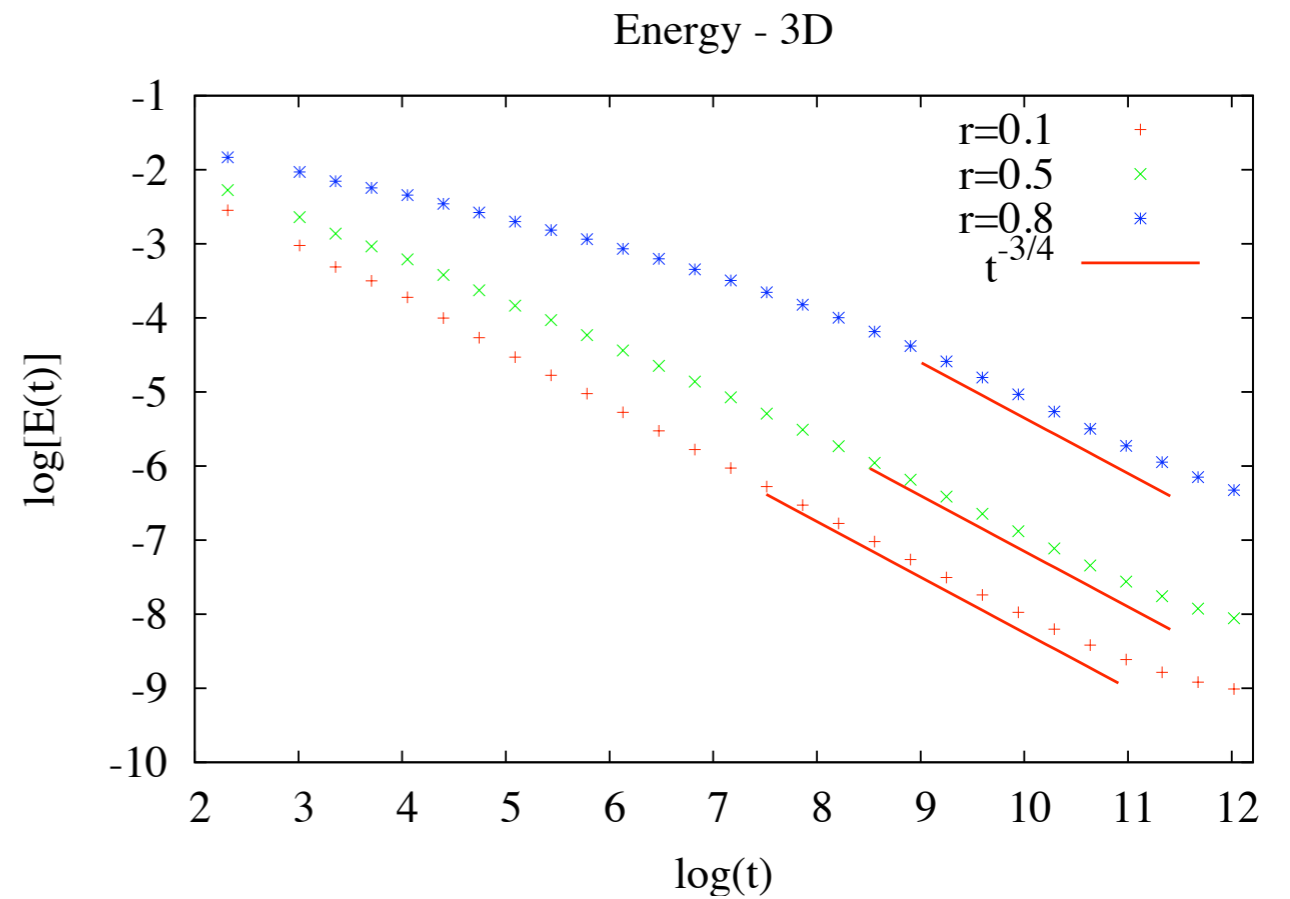
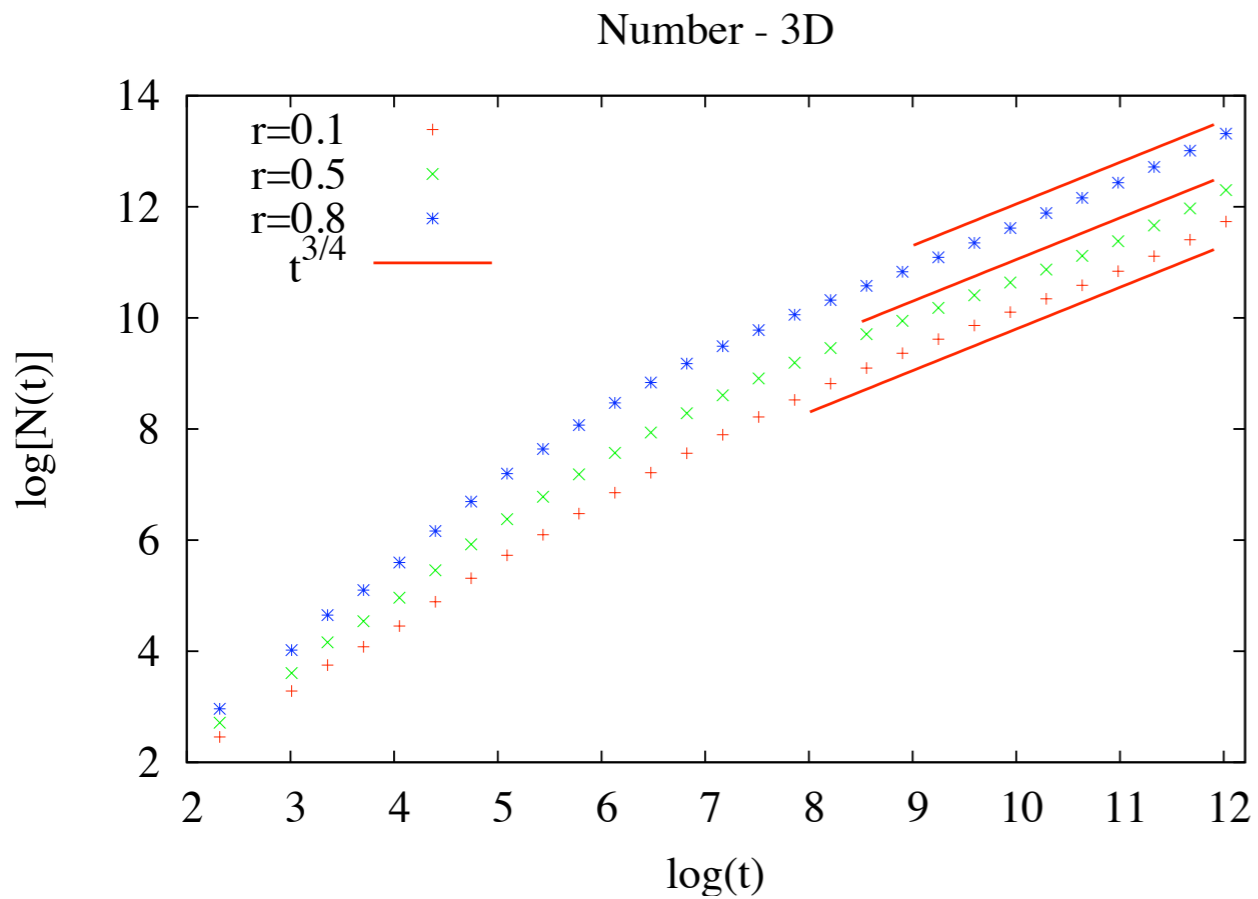
Comparison with kinetic theory



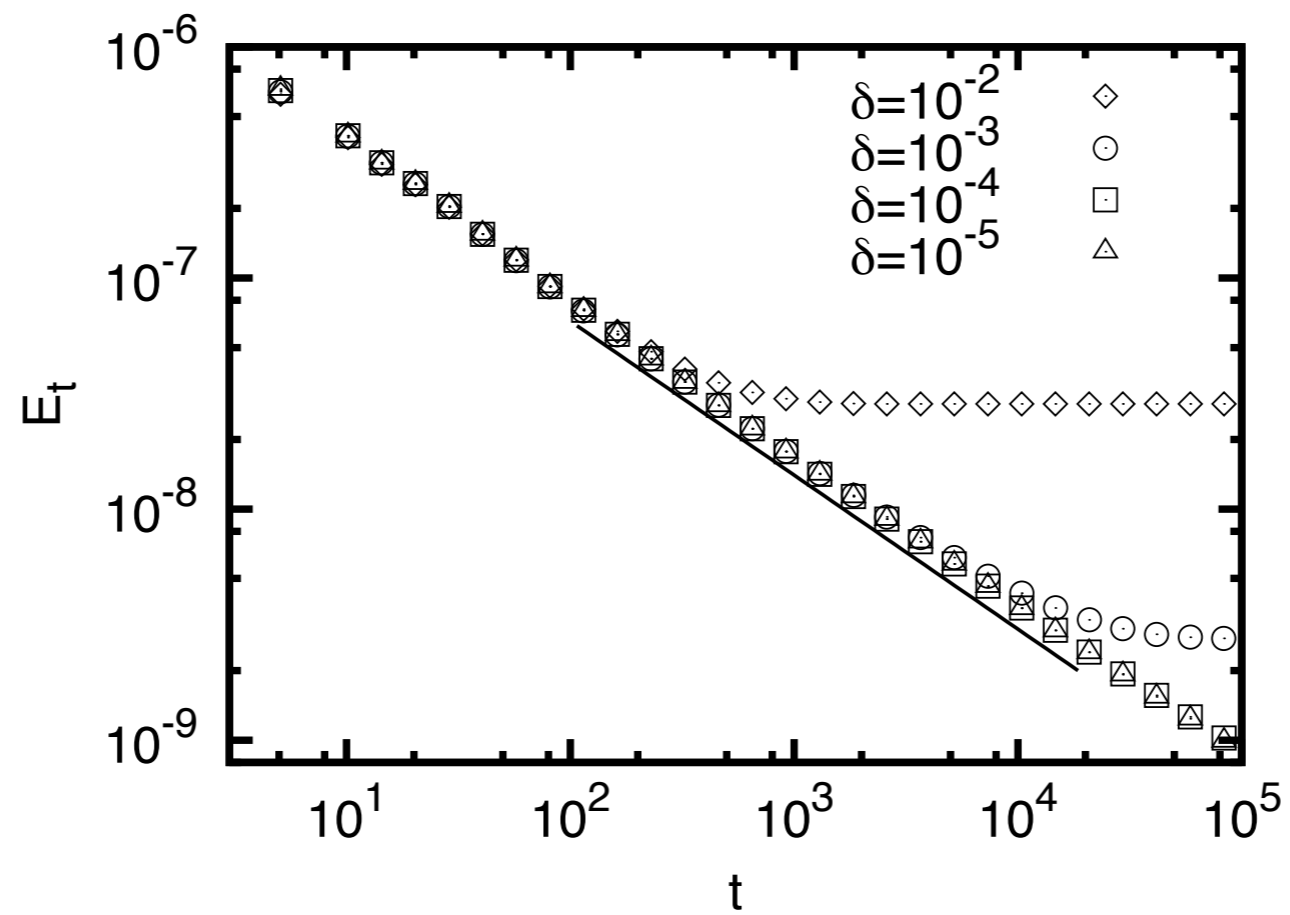
Simulation-3d

$$\langle N(t) \rangle \sim t^{3/4}$$

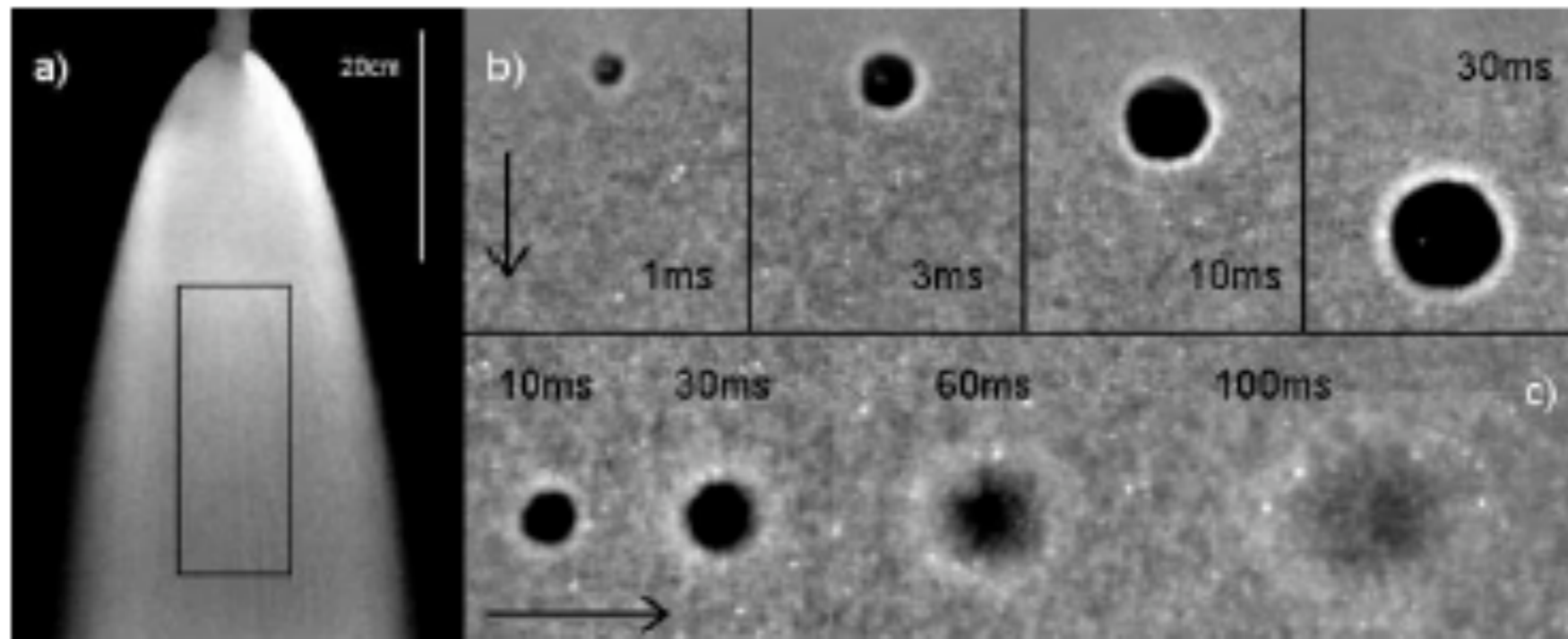
$$\langle E(t) \rangle \sim t^{-3/4}$$



δ -dependence

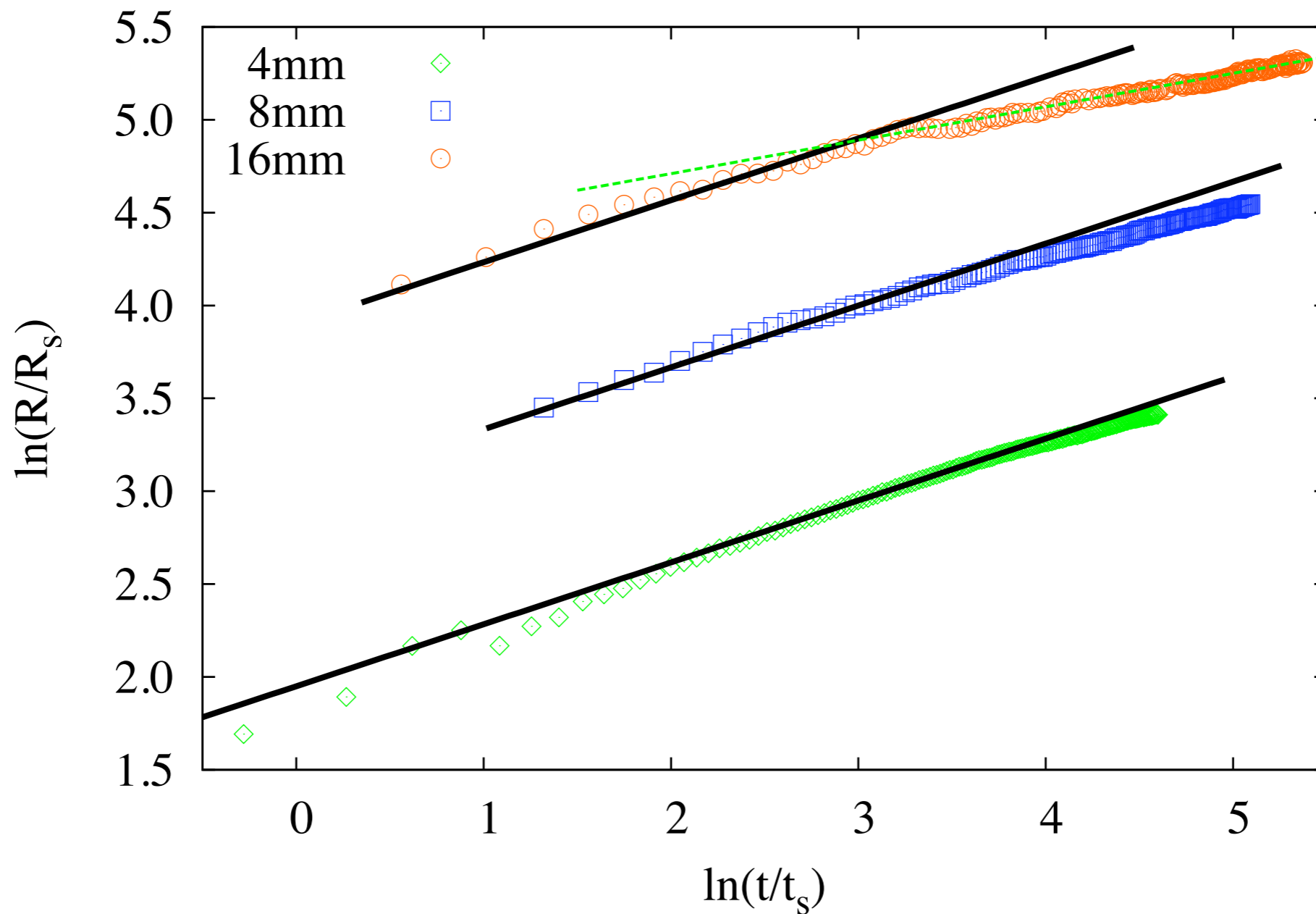


Experiments

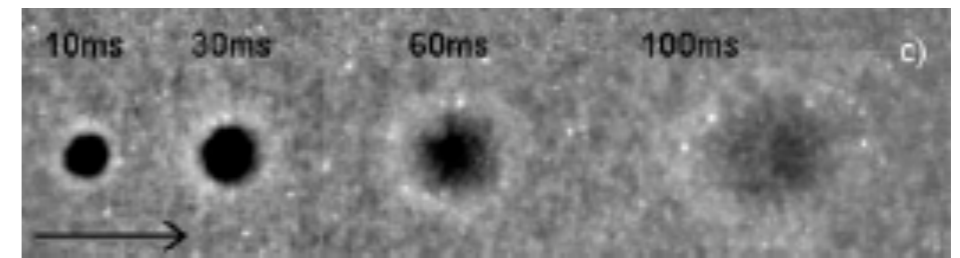
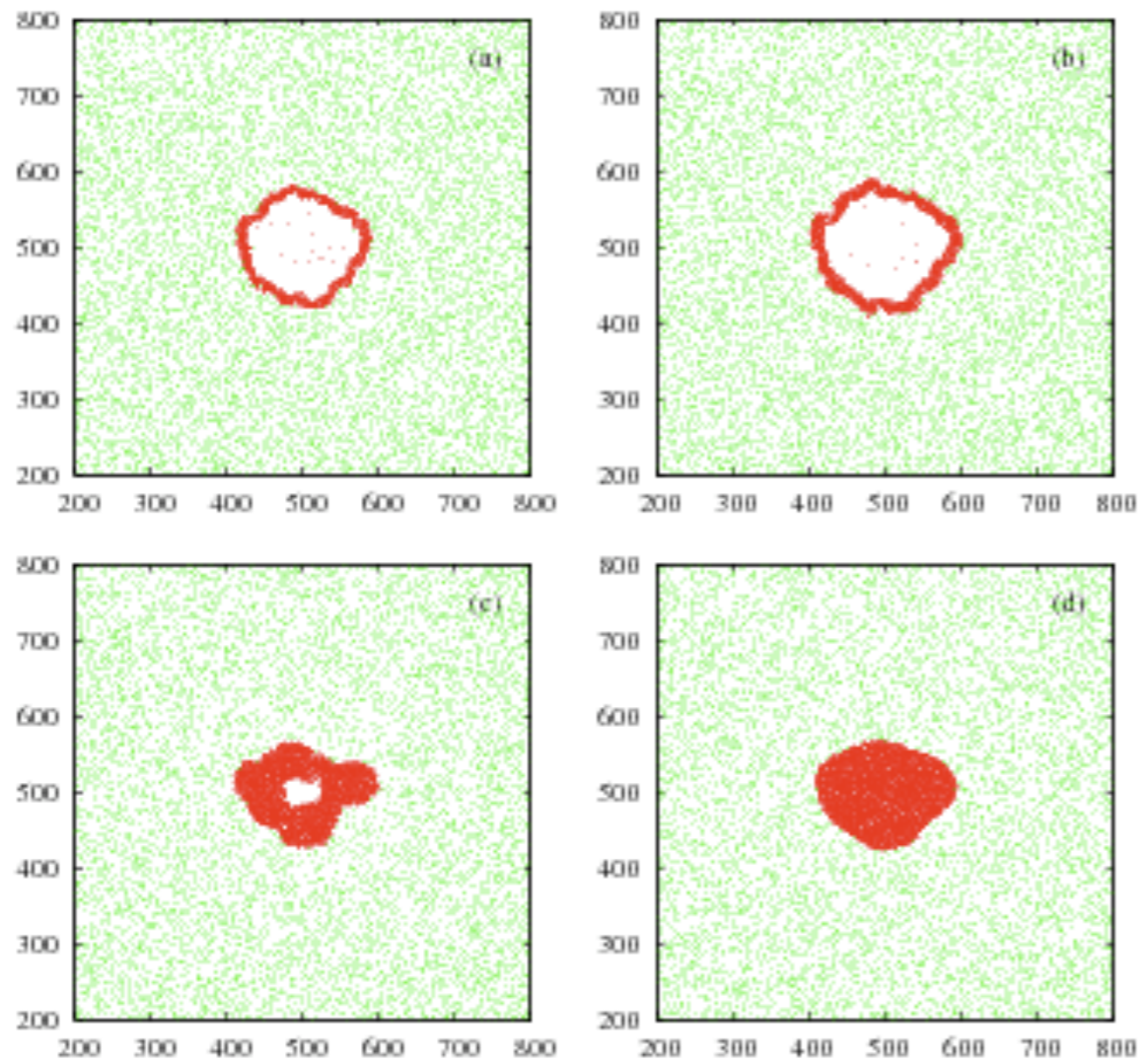


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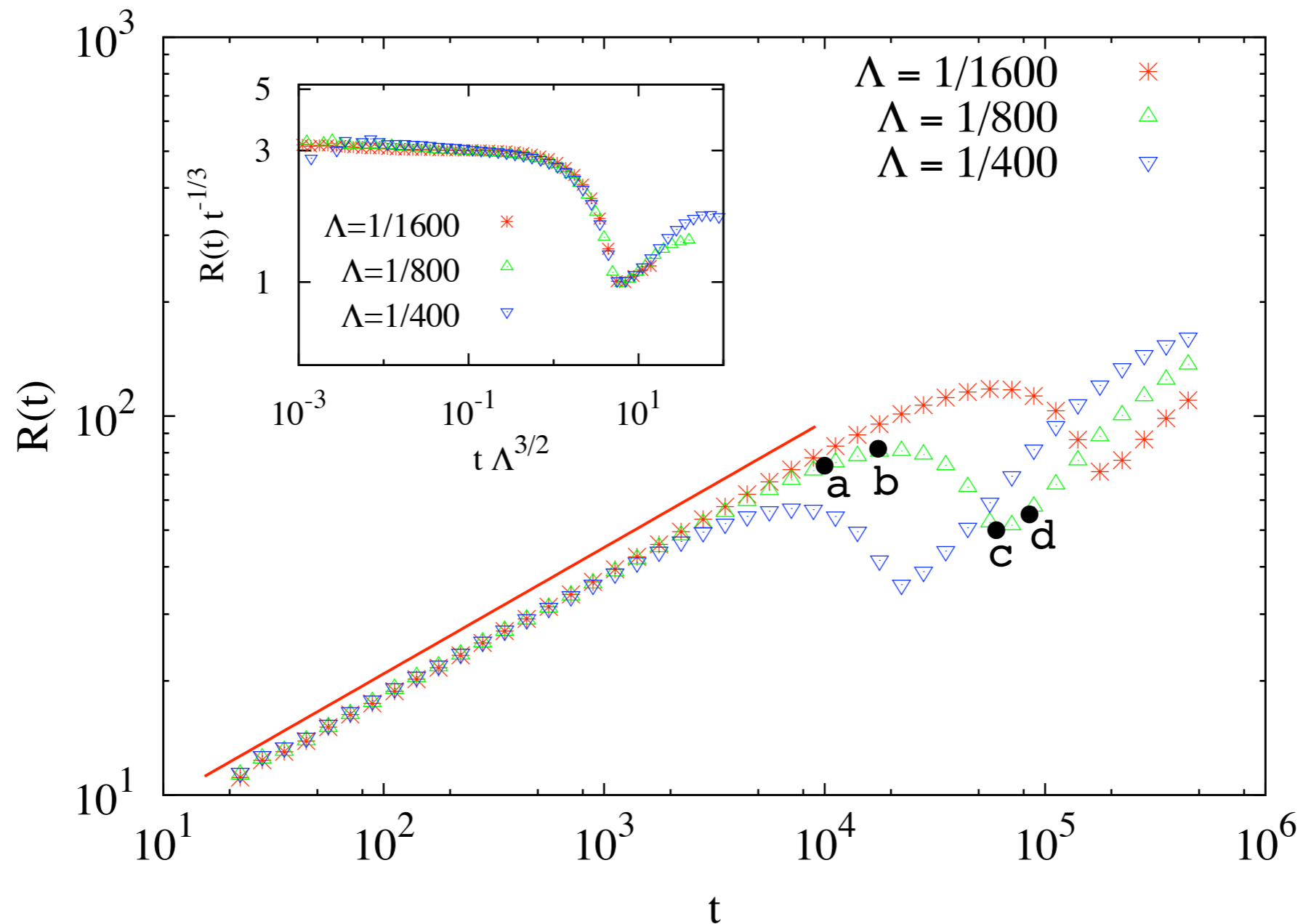
Data (Shock)



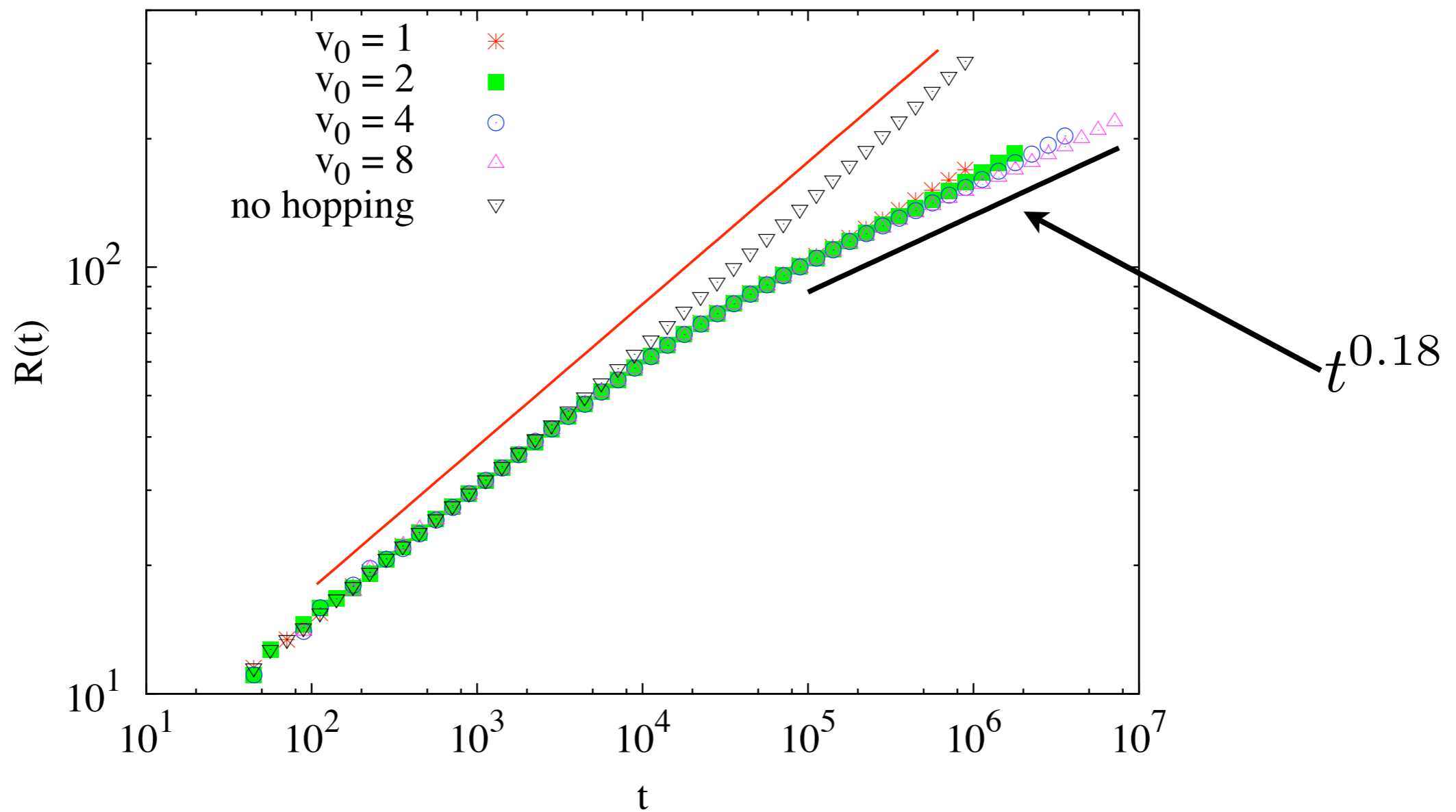
Non-zero ambient temperature



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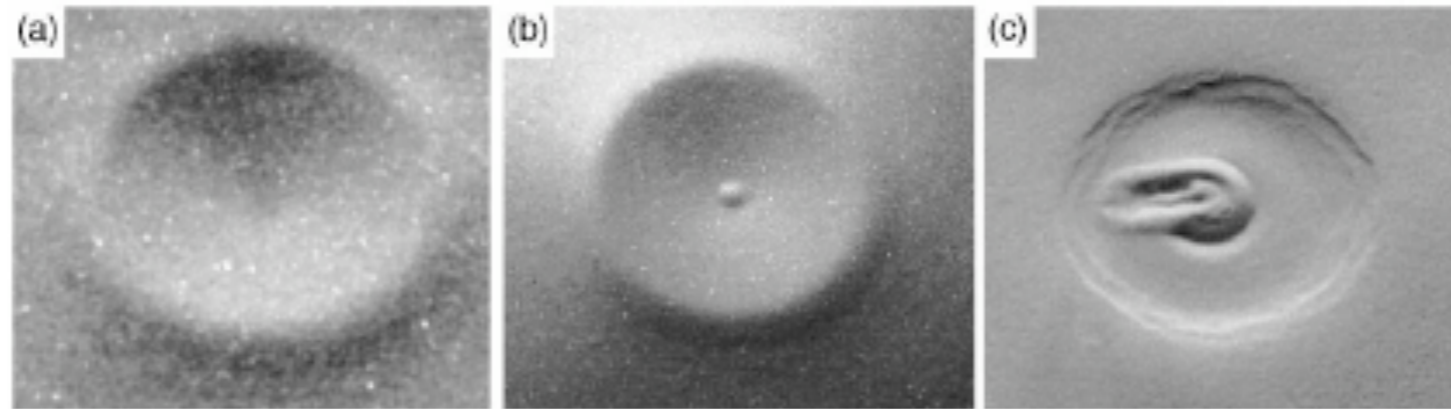


Model with escape rate



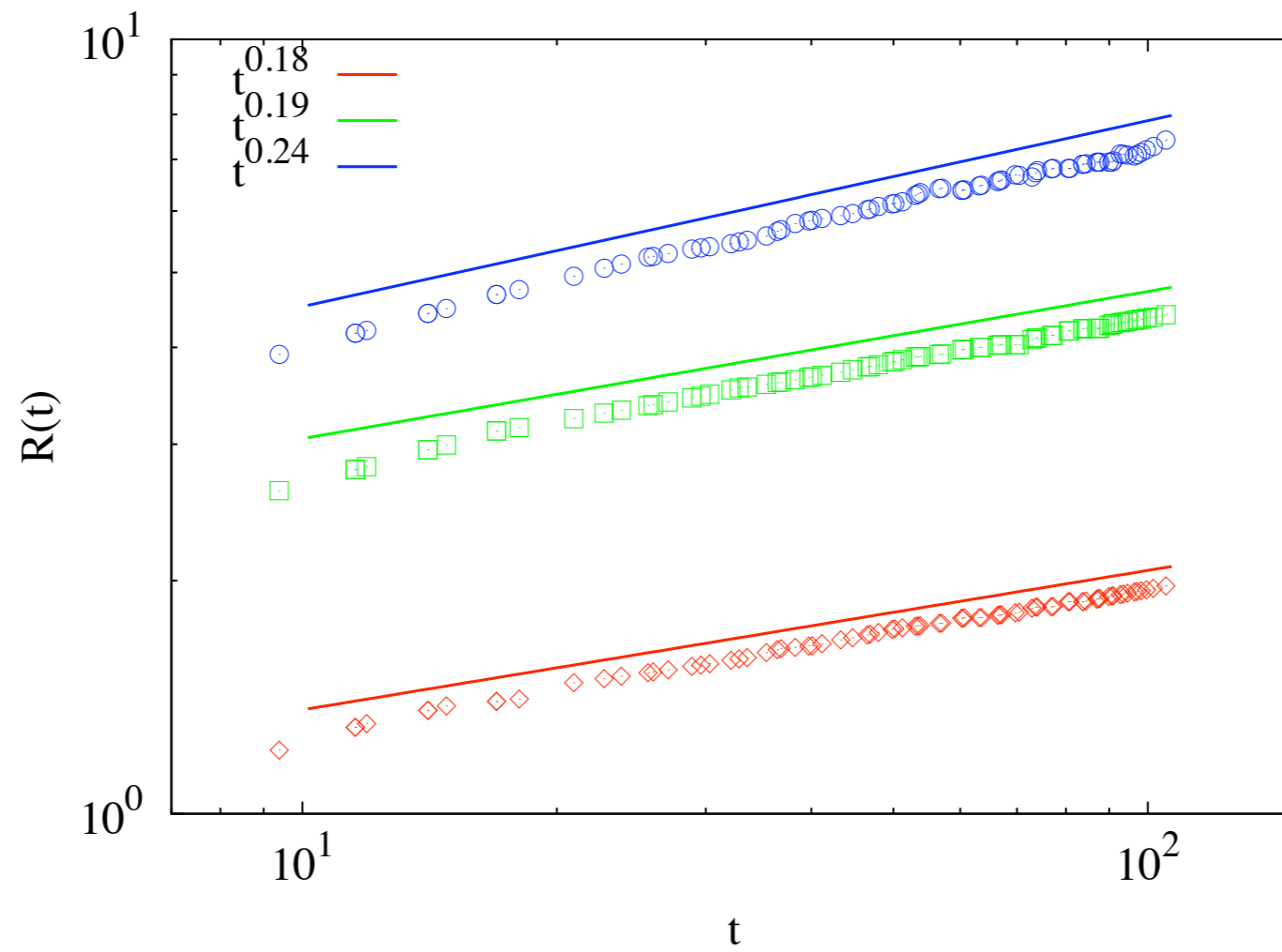
Experiment

Crater formation



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Data (Crater)



Summary & Outlook

- A generalization of the Taylor-Sedov problem
- Inelastic \Rightarrow clustering and band formation
- Conservation of radial momentum
- New exponents independent of r
- Describes experimental data well

Summary & Outlook

- Understanding crossovers
- Can the freely cooling gas be understood?
- Related experiments

