
Long-range and anisotropic generalizations of the Kardar-Parisi-Zhang equation

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Experiment



Observations:

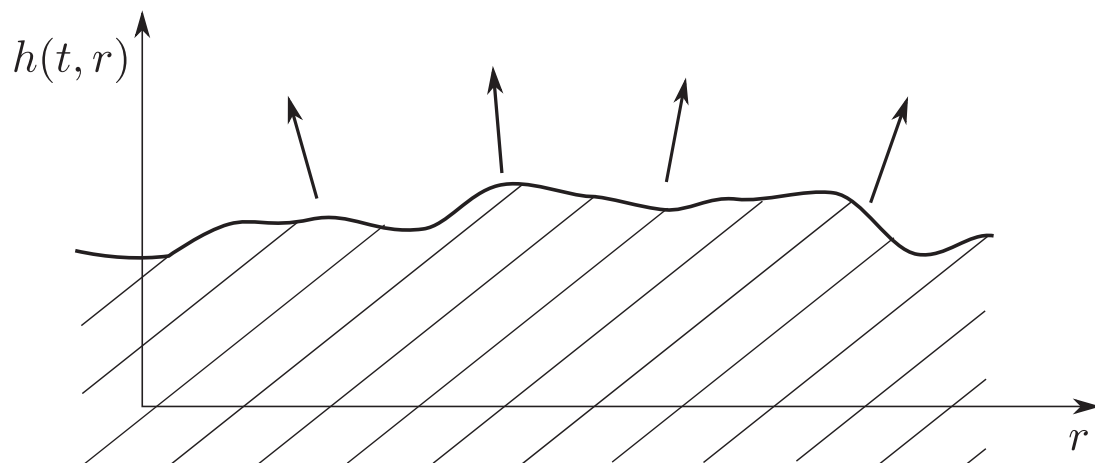
stochastic growth process

rough structure of the interface

scale invariance

Can we develop a theoretical understanding of random growth processes having the same features?

Theoretical description



Dynamical scaling

$$C(t, \vec{r}) = \langle h(t, \vec{r}) h(0, 0) \rangle_c \sim r^{2\chi} F(t/r^z)$$

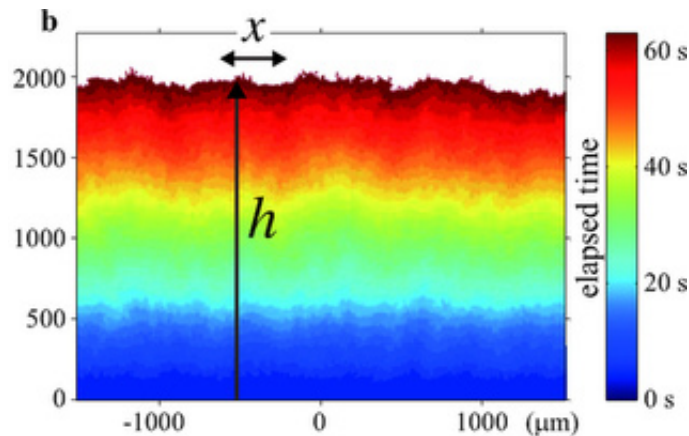
Model

$$\frac{\partial h(t, \vec{x})}{\partial t} = \nu \nabla^2 h(t, \vec{x}) + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\nabla h(t, \vec{x}))^2 + \eta(t, \vec{x})$$

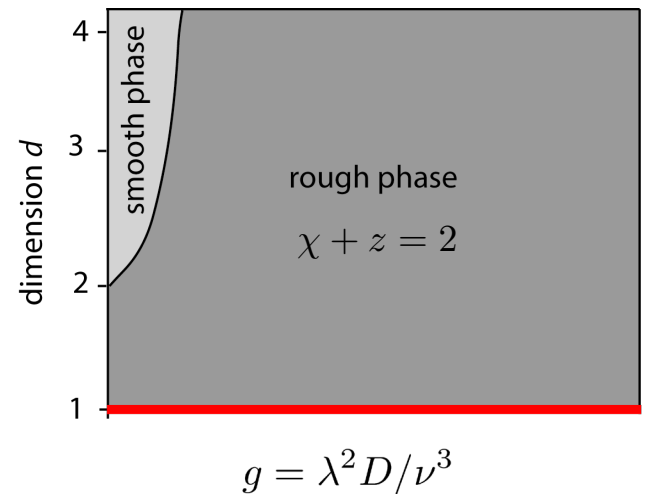
KPZ equation

$$\langle \eta(t, \vec{x}) \eta(t', \vec{x}') \rangle = 2D \delta^d(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \delta(t - t')$$

Kardar, Parisi, Zhang, PRL (1986).



Takeuchi, Sano, Sasamoto, Spohn, Sci. Rep. (2011).



exactly solvable (since 2010)
see e.g. Corwin, Random Matr. (2012).

The upper critical dimension

d_c finite

Mézard, Parisi, J Phys. I (1991): $d_c = 2$

Le Doussal, Wiese, PRB (2003): $d_c = 2.5$

Garel, Orland, PRB (1997): $d_c = 2$

Colaioni, Moore, PRL (2001): $d_c = 4$

Halpin-Healy, PRL (1989): $d_c = 4$

Fogedby, PRL (2005): $d_c = 4$



d_c infinite

Marinari, Pagnani, Parisi, PRE (2013)

Tang, Forrest, Wolf, PRA (1992)

Ala-Nissila, et al., J Stat Phys (1992)

Castellano, et al., PRL (1998)

Oliveira, Alves, Ferreira., PRE (2013)

Study variants of the KPZ equation

- long-range correlated noise: $d_c = 4$ Janssen, Täuber, Frey, Eur. Phys. J. B (1999)
- anisotropy: $d_c \geq 3$ Täuber, Frey, Europhys. Lett. (2002)

Method

nonperturbative renormalization group (NPRG)

$$\partial_\kappa \Gamma_\kappa = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[\partial_\kappa R_\kappa (\Gamma_\kappa^{(2)} + R_\kappa)^{-1} \right]$$

Wetterich, Phys. Lett. B (1993).

ansatz

$$\Gamma_\kappa[\varphi, \tilde{\varphi}] = \int_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \tilde{\varphi} f_\kappa^\lambda(-\tilde{D}_t^2, -\nabla^2) D_t \varphi - \frac{1}{2} \left[\nabla^2 \varphi f_\kappa^\nu(-\tilde{D}_t^2, -\nabla^2) \tilde{\varphi} + \tilde{\varphi} f_\kappa^\nu(-\tilde{D}_t^2, -\nabla^2) \nabla^2 \varphi \right] - \tilde{\varphi} f_\kappa^D(-\tilde{D}_t^2, -\nabla^2) \tilde{\varphi} \right\}$$
$$\tilde{D}_t = \partial_t - \lambda(\nabla \varphi) \cdot \nabla$$

form strongly constrained by symmetries: Galilei (gauged), shift symmetry (time gauged)

truncated at quadratic order in the response field

arbitrary momentum/frequency dependence

Blaizot, Méndez-Galain, Wschebor, Phys Lett B (2006)

$$R_\kappa(\mathbf{q}) = r \left(\frac{q^2}{\kappa^2} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nu_\kappa q^2 \\ \nu_\kappa q^2 & -2D_\kappa \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r(x) = \alpha / (\exp(x) - 1)$$

correlation and scaling functions

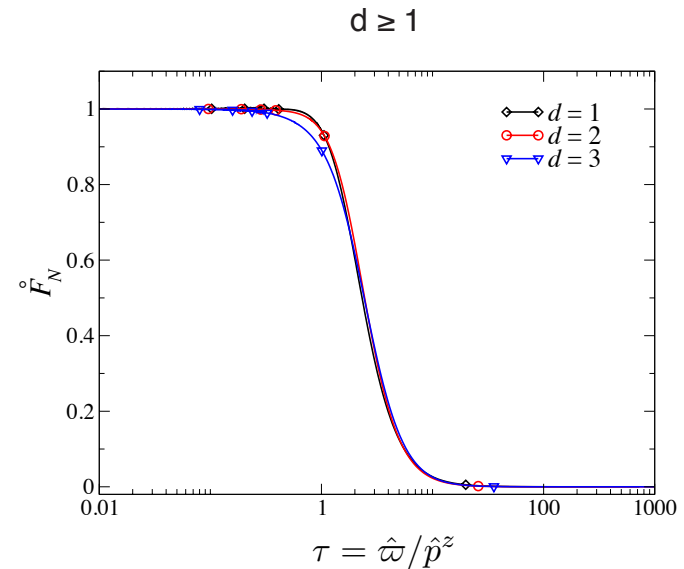
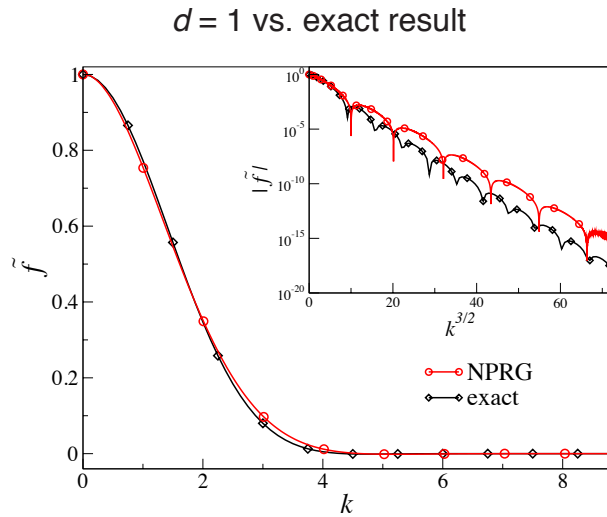
$$C(\varpi, p) = \langle h(\varpi, p) h(-\varpi, -p) \rangle_c \sim \frac{1}{p^{d+2+\chi}} \mathring{F}(\tau)$$

$$\mathring{F}(\tau) = \frac{\hat{\zeta}^D(\tau)}{(\tau \hat{\zeta}^\lambda(\tau))^2 + \hat{\zeta}^\nu(\tau)^2},$$

$$f_*^X(\varpi, p) \sim p^{-\eta_*^X} \zeta^X(\varpi/p^z)$$

Canet, Delamotte, Wschebor PRE (2011).
TK, Canet, Wschebor PRE (2012).

Scaling functions and critical exponents



exact result from Prähofer, Spohn J. Stat. Phys. (2004).

roughness exponent χ for different dimensions d and comparison to literature results

d	1	2	3	4
χ (NPRG)	1/2	0.373(1)	0.179(4)	–
χ (Literature)*	1/2	0.379(15)	0.300(12)	0.246(7)

*average over simulation and RG studies

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TK, Canet, Wschebor PRE (2012).

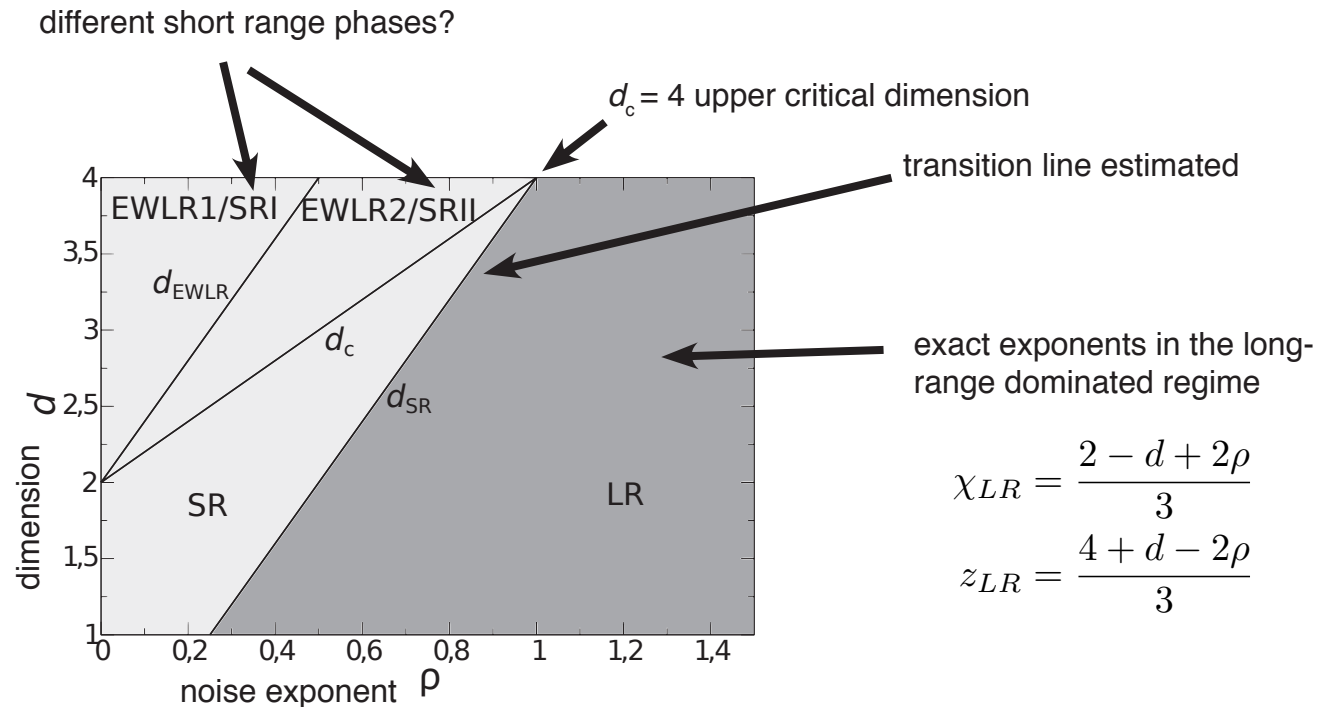
Long-range correlated noise

$$\langle \eta(t, \vec{x}) \eta(t', \vec{x}') \rangle = 2 R^D(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \delta(t - t')$$

$$R^D(\vec{x} - \vec{x}') \sim |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|^{2\rho-d}, \quad \rho \leq d/2 \quad \text{spacially correlated noise}$$

Weak-coupling phase diagram

Janssen, Täuber, Frey, Eur. Phys. J. B (1999).



Long-range correlated noise (NPRG)

Approximations

$$\hat{f}_\kappa^X(\omega, q) \rightarrow \hat{f}_\kappa^X(q) \quad (\text{NLO})$$

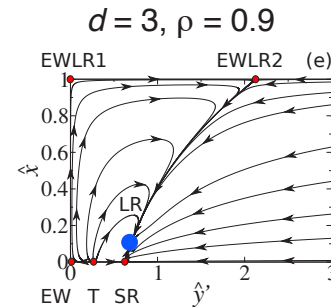
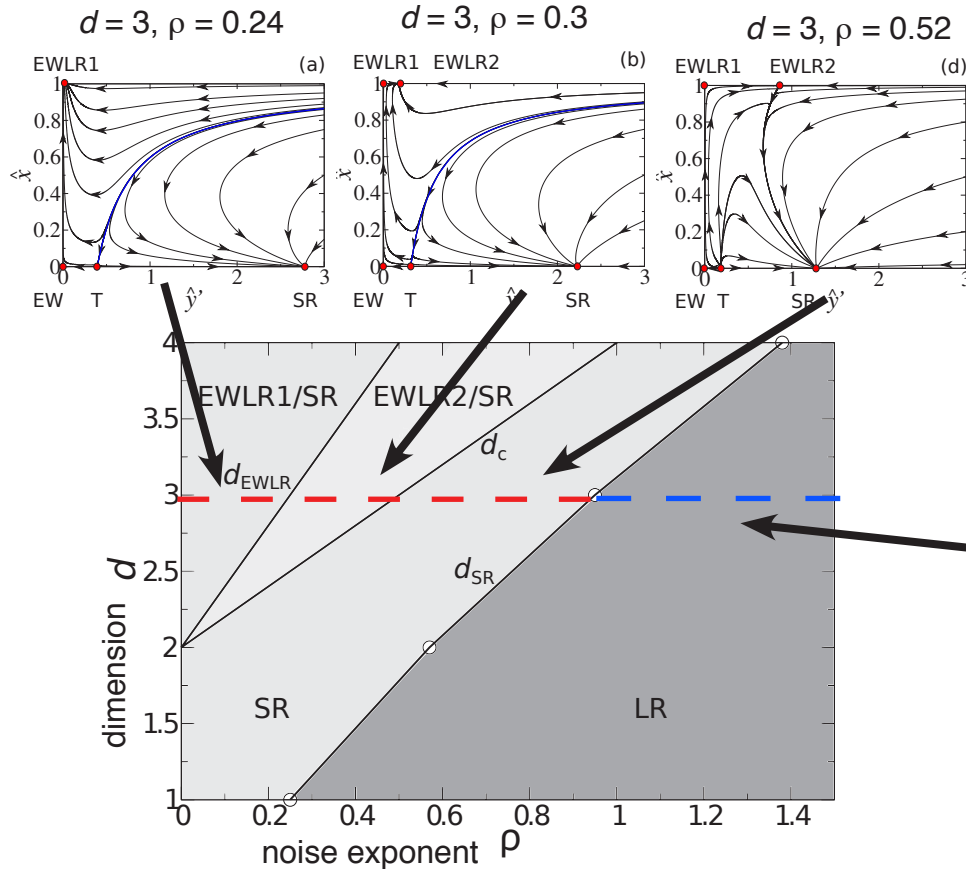
$$\hat{f}_\kappa^X(\omega, q) \rightarrow 1 \quad (\text{LPA'})$$

long-range noise

$$\partial_s \hat{x}_\kappa = \hat{x}_\kappa(1 - \hat{x}_\kappa)(\eta_\kappa^D - 2\rho)$$

KPZ coupling

$$\partial_s \hat{y}_\kappa = \hat{y}_\kappa(2\hat{x}_\kappa(\eta_\kappa^D - 2\rho) + d - 2 + 3\eta_\kappa^\nu - \eta_\kappa^D)$$



Anisotropy

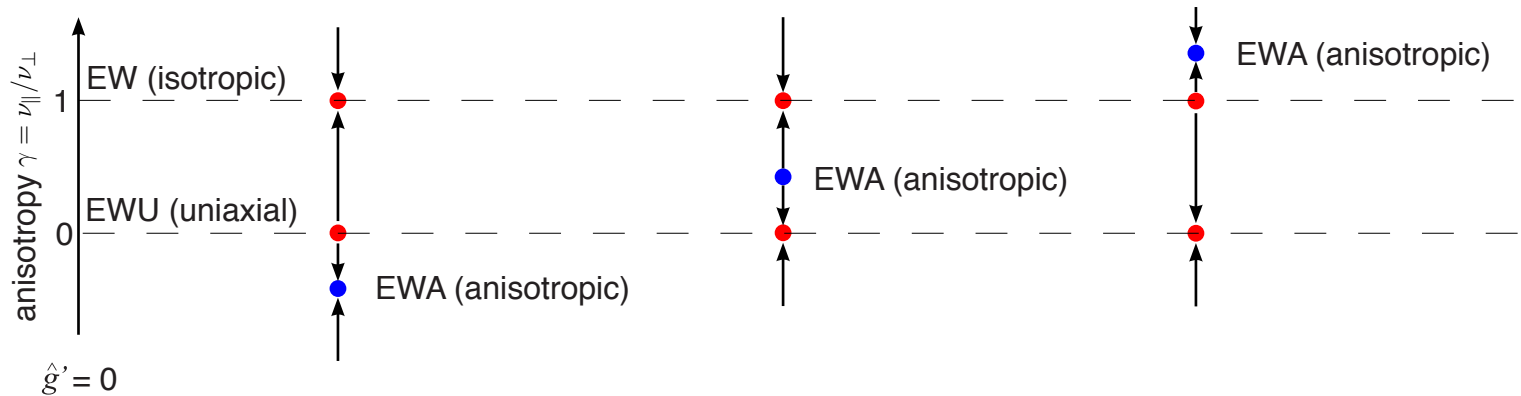
Anisotropic Kardar-Parisi-Zhang equation

$$\frac{\partial h(t, \vec{x})}{\partial t} = \nu_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel}^2 h(t, \vec{x}) + \nu_{\perp} \nabla_{\perp}^2 h(t, \vec{x}) + \frac{\lambda_{\parallel}}{2} (\nabla_{\parallel} h(t, \vec{x}))^2 + \frac{\lambda_{\perp}}{2} (\nabla_{\perp} h(t, \vec{x}))^2 + \eta(t, \vec{x})$$

$$\vec{x} = (\vec{x}_{\parallel}, \vec{x}_{\perp})^T, \quad d = d_{\parallel} + d_{\perp}$$

Wolf, PRL (1991)

Weak-coupling fixed points



Depending on the total dimension and the splitting $d = d_{\parallel} + d_{\perp}$, the isotropic KPZ equation may become unstable against anisotropic perturbations.

Täuber, Frey, Europhys. Lett. (2002)

Anisotropy (NPRG)

Ansatz

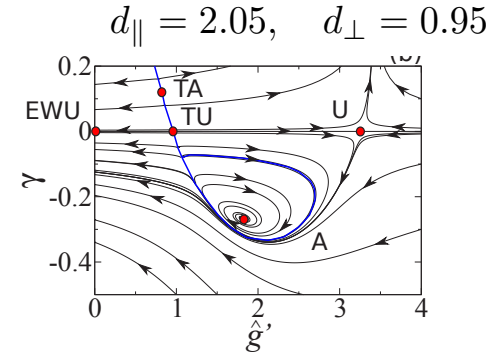
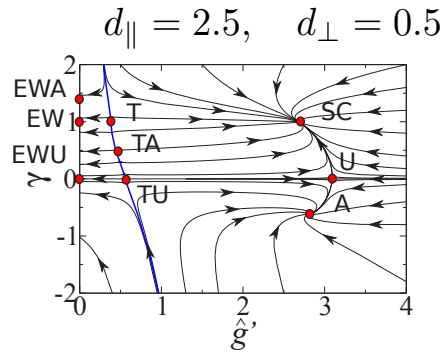
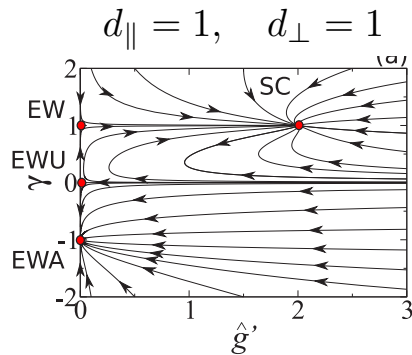
$$\Gamma_\kappa[\varphi, \tilde{\varphi}] = \int_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \tilde{\varphi} f_\kappa^\lambda(\nabla) D_t \varphi - (\nabla_{\parallel}^2 \varphi) f_\kappa^{\nu\parallel}(\nabla) \tilde{\varphi} - (\nabla_{\perp}^2 \varphi) f_\kappa^{\nu\perp}(\nabla) \tilde{\varphi} - \tilde{\varphi} f_\kappa^D(\nabla) \varphi \right\}$$

$$\hat{f}_\kappa^X(\hat{q}_{\parallel}, \hat{q}_{\perp}) \quad (\text{NLO})$$

$$\hat{f}_\kappa^X(\hat{q}_{\parallel}, \hat{q}_{\perp}) \rightarrow 1 \quad (\text{LPA}')$$

$$D_t \varphi = \partial_t \varphi - \frac{\lambda_{\parallel}}{2} (\nabla_{\parallel} \varphi)^2 - \frac{\lambda_{\perp}}{2} (\nabla_{\perp} \varphi)^2$$

RG trajectories (LPA')



New anisotropic (A) and uniaxial (U) fixed points

The isotropic strong coupling (SC) fixed point is always stable.

Conclusion

NPRG approach to the KPZ problem (including long-range noise and anisotropy)

naive extrapolation from weak- to strong-coupling behavior not possible

strong-coupling behavior changes qualitatively the phase diagram

no hint for an upper critical dimension

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