

# Error estimates for the long time dynamics of the nonlinear Klein-Gordon equation

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# Introduction

Consider the following nonlinear Klein-Gordon equation (NKGE) with a cubic nonlinearity on a torus  $\mathbb{T}^d$  ( $d = 1, 2, 3$ ) as

$$\partial_{tt}u(\mathbf{x}, t) - \Delta u(\mathbf{x}, t) + u(\mathbf{x}, t) + \varepsilon^2 u^3(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{T}^d, \quad t > 0,$$

- Initial data

$$u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \phi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \partial_t u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \gamma(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{T}^d$$

- $u = u(\mathbf{x}, t)$  real-valued field
- $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$  a dimensionless parameter
- $\phi$  and  $\gamma$  given dimensionless real functions, independent of  $\varepsilon$

# The (nonlinear) Klein-Gordon equation

- Proposed in 1926 by the physicists Oskar Klein and Walter Gordon
- To describe the spinless relativistic particles, like pion
- The discovery of the Higgs boson in 2012 – the first observed ostensibly elementary particle
- A relativistic version of Schrödinger equation
- Applications
  - ▶ Propagation of dislocations in crystals
  - ▶ Superconducting material, e.g. propagation of magnetic flux in a Josephson junction
  - ▶ Universe, e.g. dark matter or black-hole evaporation
  - ▶ Nonlinear optics, nonlinear dynamics of DNA chain, .....

# Properties of NKGE

- Time symmetric, i.e. unchanged if  $t \rightarrow -t$
- Hamiltonian (or Energy) conservation

$$\begin{aligned} E(t) &:= \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \left[ |\partial_t u(\mathbf{x}, t)|^2 + |\nabla u(\mathbf{x}, t)|^2 + |u(\mathbf{x}, t)|^2 + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} |u(\mathbf{x}, t)|^4 \right] d\mathbf{x} \\ &\equiv \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} \left[ |\gamma(\mathbf{x})|^2 + |\nabla \phi(\mathbf{x})|^2 + |\phi(\mathbf{x})|^2 + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} |\phi(\mathbf{x})|^4 \right] d\mathbf{x} \\ &:= E(0) = O(1), \quad t \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- Two different time regimes
  - ▶  $O(1)$ -time regime, e.g.  $\varepsilon = 1$
  - ▶ Long-time regime, e.g.  $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$

# Existing results in $O(1)$ -time regime

- **Analytical** results for Cauchy problem, i.e., the existence, uniqueness and regularity of the solutions: Browder, 62'; Segal, 63; Glassey, 73'; Brenner & von Wahl, 81; Klainerman, 85'; Ginibre & Velo, 85' & 89'; Shatah, 85'; Mota, 89'; Simon & Taflin, 93'; Nakamura & Ozawa, 01', ...
- **Numerical** methods
  - ▶ Finite difference time domain (**FDTD**) methods: Strauss & Vázquez, 78'; Li & Vu-Quoc, 95'; Duncan, 97'; Cohen, Hairer & Lubich, 08'; Dehghan, Mohebbi & Asgari, 09', ...
    - Conservative vs non-conservative
    - Implicit vs explicit
  - ▶ Spectral methods: Cao & Guo, 93'; Chen, 06', ...

# Existing results in long-time regime

- Equivalent form

When  $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ , introducing  $w(\mathbf{x}, t) = \varepsilon u(\mathbf{x}, t)$ , we obtain the NKGE with small initial data:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{tt}w(\mathbf{x}, t) - \Delta w(\mathbf{x}, t) + w(\mathbf{x}, t) + w^3(\mathbf{x}, t) &= 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{T}^d, \quad t > 0, \\ w(\mathbf{x}, 0) &= \varepsilon \phi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \partial_t w(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \varepsilon \gamma(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{T}^d.\end{aligned}$$

- Lifespan of the solution on a torus:  $O(\varepsilon^{-2})$

Bourgain, 95'; Ozawa, Tsutaya & Tsutsumi, 96; Delort, 96', 97', 98' & 09'; Keel & Tao, 99'; Sunagawa, 03'; Delort & Szeftel, 04', ...

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# FDTD methods

- Finite difference discretization operators

$$\delta_t^+ u_j^n = \frac{u_j^{n+1} - u_j^n}{\tau}, \quad \delta_t^- u_j^n = \frac{u_j^n - u_j^{n-1}}{\tau}, \quad \delta_t^2 u_j^n = \frac{u_j^{n+1} - 2u_j^n + u_j^{n-1}}{\tau^2},$$

$$\delta_x^+ u_j^n = \frac{u_{j+1}^n - u_j^n}{h}, \quad \delta_x^- u_j^n = \frac{u_j^n - u_{j-1}^n}{h}, \quad \delta_x^2 u_j^n = \frac{u_{j+1}^n - 2u_j^n + u_{j-1}^n}{h^2}.$$

- The Crank-Nicolson finite difference (**CNFD**) method

$$\delta_t^2 u_j^n - \frac{1}{2} \delta_x^2 (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^{n-1}) + \frac{1}{2} (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^{n-1}) + \varepsilon^2 G(u_j^{n+1}, u_j^{n-1}) = 0$$

- A semi-implicit energy conservative finite difference (**SIFD1**) method

$$\delta_t^2 u_j^n - \delta_x^2 u_j^n + \frac{1}{2} (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^{n-1}) + \varepsilon^2 G(u_j^{n+1}, u_j^{n-1}) = 0$$

$$G(v, w) = \frac{F(v) - F(w)}{v - w}, \quad F(v) = \int_0^v s^3 ds = \frac{v^4}{4}, \quad \forall v, w \in \mathbb{R}.$$

# FDTD methods

- Another semi-implicit finite difference ([SIFD2](#)) method

$$\delta_t^2 u_j^n - \frac{1}{2} \delta_x^2 (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^{n-1}) + \frac{1}{2} (u_j^{n+1} + u_j^{n-1}) + \varepsilon^2 (u_j^n)^3 = 0$$

- The leap-frog finite difference ([LFFD](#)) method

$$\delta_t^2 u_j^n - \delta_x^2 u_j^n + u_j^n + \varepsilon^2 (u_j^n)^3 = 0.$$

- The initial and boundary conditions are discretized as

$$u_0^{n+1} = u_M^{n+1}, \quad u_{-1}^{n+1} = u_{M-1}^{n+1}, \quad n \geq 0; \quad u_j^0 = \phi(x_j), \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, M,$$

and the first step  $u^1$  is updated by

$$u_j^1 = \phi(x_j) + \tau \gamma(x_j) + \frac{\tau^2}{2} [\delta_x^2 \phi(x_j) - \phi(x_j) - \varepsilon^2 (\phi(x_j))^3], \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, M.$$

# Error estimates for FDTD methods

- Define ‘error’ function  $e_j^n = u(x_j, t_n) - u_j^n$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, M$ ,  $n \geq 0$
- Error bounds of the FDTD methods up to the time at  $O(\varepsilon^{-\beta})$  with  $0 \leq \beta \leq 2$ :

$$\|e^n\|_{l^2} + \|\delta_x^+ e^n\|_{l^2} \lesssim \frac{h^2}{\varepsilon^\beta} + \frac{\tau^2}{\varepsilon^\beta},$$
$$\|u^n\|_{l^\infty} \leq 1 + M_0, \quad 0 \leq n \leq \frac{T_0/\varepsilon^\beta}{\tau}.$$

- Convergence rates for the fixed  $\varepsilon$ : second order in space & time
- Resolution:  $h = O(\varepsilon^{\beta/2})$ ,  $\tau = O(\varepsilon^{\beta/2})$

# Numerical results for CNFD with $\beta = 1$

Error bounds:  $\|e^n\|_{l^2} + \|\delta_x^+ e^n\|_{l^2} \lesssim \frac{h^2}{\varepsilon} + \frac{\tau^2}{\varepsilon}$

Table: Spatial errors of the CNFD method for the NKGE with  $\beta = 1$

$e_{h,\tau_e}(t = 1/\varepsilon)$	$h_0 = \pi/16$	$h_0/2$	$h_0/2^2$	$h_0/2^3$	$h_0/2^4$	$h_0/2^5$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	<b>3.77E-2</b>	9.65E-3	2.43E-3	6.09E-4	1.52E-4	3.84E-5
order	-	1.97	1.99	2.00	2.00	1.98
$\varepsilon_0/4$	7.31E-2	<b>1.77E-2</b>	4.38E-3	1.09E-3	2.74E-4	7.02E-5
order	-	<b>2.05</b>	2.01	2.01	1.99	1.96
$\varepsilon_0/4^2$	6.60E-1	1.71E-1	<b>4.31E-2</b>	1.08E-2	2.70E-3	6.91E-4
order	-	1.95	<b>1.99</b>	2.00	2.00	1.97
$\varepsilon_0/4^3$	2.78E+0	7.25E-1	1.80E-1	<b>4.50E-2</b>	1.13E-2	2.88E-3
order	-	1.94	2.01	<b>2.00</b>	1.99	1.97
$\varepsilon_0/4^4$	5.67E+0	8.48E-1	3.96E-1	1.10E-1	<b>2.81E-2</b>	7.22E-3
order	-	2.74	1.10	1.85	<b>1.97</b>	1.96

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$e_{h_e, \tau}(t = 1/\varepsilon)$	$\tau_0 = 0.05$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	<b>3.27E-2</b>	8.57E-3	2.19E-3	5.53E-4	1.39E-4	3.48E-5
order	-	1.93	1.97	1.99	1.99	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/4$	4.01E-2	<b>9.95E-3</b>	2.49E-3	6.22E-4	1.56E-4	3.89E-5
order	-	<b>2.01</b>	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/4^2$	3.45E-1	8.79E-2	<b>2.21E-2</b>	5.53E-3	1.38E-3	3.46E-4
order	-	1.97	<b>1.99</b>	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/4^3$	1.47E+0	3.69E-1	9.19E-2	<b>2.29E-2</b>	5.74E-3	1.43E-3
order	-	1.99	2.01	<b>2.00</b>	2.00	2.01
$\varepsilon_0/4^4$	8.58E-1	7.05E-1	2.20E-1	5.75E-2	<b>1.45E-2</b>	3.64E-3
order	-	0.28	1.68	1.94	<b>1.99</b>	1.99

# Numerical results for CNFD with $\beta = 2$

Error bounds:  $\|e^n\|_{l^2} + \|\delta_x^+ e^n\|_{l^2} \lesssim \frac{h^2}{\varepsilon^2} + \frac{\tau^2}{\varepsilon^2}$

Table: Spatial errors of the CNFD method for the NKGE with  $\beta = 2$

$e_{h,\tau_e}(t = 1/\varepsilon^2)$	$h_0 = \pi/16$	$h_0/2$	$h_0/2^2$	$h_0/2^3$	$h_0/2^4$	$h_0/2^5$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	<b>3.77E-2</b>	9.65E-3	2.43E-3	6.09E-4	1.52E-4	3.84E-5
order	-	1.97	1.99	2.00	2.00	1.98
$\varepsilon_0/2$	3.98E-2	<b>9.56E-3</b>	2.39E-3	5.97E-4	1.49E-4	3.81E-5
order	-	<b>2.06</b>	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.97
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	7.17E-1	1.82E-1	<b>4.55E-2</b>	1.14E-2	2.85E-3	7.27E-4
order	-	1.98	<b>2.00</b>	2.00	2.00	1.97
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	2.78E+0	6.54E-1	1.58E-1	<b>3.92E-2</b>	9.78E-3	2.50E-3
order	-	2.09	2.05	<b>2.01</b>	2.00	1.97
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	3.31E+0	1.78E+0	5.92E-1	1.55E-1	<b>3.93E-2</b>	1.01E-2
order	-	0.89	1.59	1.93	<b>1.98</b>	1.96

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order	-	1.93	1.97	1.99	1.99	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	2.56E-2	<b>6.32E-3</b>	1.58E-3	3.94E-4	9.86E-5	2.47E-5
order	-	<b>2.02</b>	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	3.91E-1	9.83E-2	<b>2.46E-2</b>	6.16E-3	1.54E-3	3.85E-4
order	-	1.99	<b>2.00</b>	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	1.40E+0	3.32E-1	8.14E-2	<b>2.03E-2</b>	5.06E-3	1.26E-3
order	-	2.08	2.03	<b>2.00</b>	2.00	2.01
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	1.81E+0	1.13E+0	3.16E-1	8.07E-2	<b>2.03E-2</b>	5.07E-3
order	-	0.68	1.84	1.97	<b>1.99</b>	2.00

# Exponential wave integrator (EWI) spectral method

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{tt}u(x,t) - \partial_{xx}u(x,t) + u(x,t) + \varepsilon^2 u^3(x,t) &= 0, \quad x \in \Omega = (a,b), \quad t > 0, \\ u(x,0) &= \phi(x), \quad \partial_t u(x,0) = \gamma(x), \quad x \in \overline{\Omega} = [a,b],\end{aligned}$$

- Apply Fourier spectral method for spatial derivatives

$$\partial_{tt}u_M(x,t) - \partial_{xx}u_M(x,t) + u_M(x,t) + \varepsilon^2 P_M f(u_M(x,t)) = 0, \quad a \leq x \leq b, \quad t \geq 0$$

with

$$u_M(x,t) = \sum_{l=-M/2}^{M/2-1} \widehat{(u_M)}_l(t) e^{i\mu_l(x-a)}, \quad a \leq x \leq b, \quad \mu_l = \frac{2\pi l}{b-a}, \quad l = -\frac{M}{2}, \dots, \frac{M}{2}-1$$

- Take Fourier transform, we get ODEs

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \widehat{(u_M)}_l(t) + (1 + \mu_l^2) \widehat{(u_M)}_l(t) + \varepsilon^2 (\widehat{f(u_M)})_l(t) = 0$$

# Exponential wave integrator (EWI) spectral method

- Analytical solution near  $t = t_n$

$$\widehat{(u_M)}_l(t_n + \theta) = c_l^n \cos(\zeta_l^n \theta) + d_l^n \frac{\sin(\zeta_l^n \theta)}{\zeta_l^n} - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\zeta_l^n} \int_0^\theta \widehat{g}_l^n(\omega) \sin(\zeta_l^n(\theta - \omega)) d\omega,$$

$$\zeta_l^n = \sqrt{1 + \mu_l^2 + \varepsilon^2 \alpha^n}, \quad \widehat{g}_l^n(\theta) = (\widehat{f(u_M)})_l(t_n + \theta) - \alpha^n \widehat{(u_M)}_l(t_n + \theta).$$

- For  $n = 0$ , letting  $\theta = \tau$

$$\widehat{(u_M)}_l(\tau) = \widehat{\phi}_l \cos(\zeta_l^0 \tau) + \widehat{\gamma}_l \frac{\sin(\zeta_l^0 \tau)}{\zeta_l^0} - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\zeta_l^0} \int_0^\tau \widehat{g}_l^0(\omega) \sin(\zeta_l^0(\tau - \omega)) d\omega$$

- For  $n > 0$ , letting  $\theta = \tau$  and  $\theta = -\tau$

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{(u_M)}_l(t_{n+1}) &= -\widehat{(u_M)}_l(t_{n-1}) + 2 \cos(\zeta_l^n \tau) \widehat{(u_M)}_l(t_n) \\ &\quad - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{\zeta_l^n} \int_0^\tau [\widehat{g}_l^n(-\omega) + \widehat{g}_l^n(\omega)] \sin(\zeta_l^n(\tau - \omega)) d\omega\end{aligned}$$

# Approximate integral via quadrature

- **Gautschi-type** quadrature:

Gautschi, 61'; Hochbruck & Lubich, 99'; Hochbruck & Ostermann, 00'; Hairer, Lubich & Wanner, 02'; Grim, 05 &, 06'; Bao & Dong, 12'; ...

$$\int_0^\tau \widehat{g}_l^0(\omega) \sin(\zeta_l^0(\tau - \omega)) d\omega \approx \widehat{g}_l^0(0) \int_0^\tau \sin(\zeta_l^0(\tau - \omega)) d\omega = \frac{\widehat{g}_l^0(0)}{\zeta_l^0} [1 - \cos(\tau \zeta_l^0)],$$
$$\int_0^\tau [\widehat{g}_l^n(-\omega) + \widehat{g}_l^n(\omega)] \sin(\zeta_l^n(\tau - \omega)) d\omega \approx \frac{2\widehat{g}_l^n(0)}{\zeta_l^n} [1 - \cos(\tau \zeta_l^n)], \quad n \geq 1.$$

- Exponential wave integrator (EWI) in **Gautschi-type**:

$$\widehat{(u_M^1)_l} = \cos(\zeta_l^0 \tau) \widehat{\phi}_l + \frac{\sin(\zeta_l^0 \tau)}{\zeta_l^0} \widehat{\gamma}_l + \frac{\varepsilon^2 (\cos(\tau \zeta_l^0) - 1)}{(\zeta_l^0)^2} \widehat{g}_l^0(0),$$

$$\widehat{(u_M^{n+1})_l} = -\widehat{(u_M^{n-1})_l} + 2 \cos(\zeta_l^n \tau) \widehat{(u_M^n)_l} + \frac{2\varepsilon^2 (\cos(\tau \zeta_l^n) - 1)}{(\zeta_l^n)^2} \widehat{g}_l^n(0), \quad n \geq 1,$$

# The EWI-FP method

In practice, it is difficult to compute the Fourier coefficients. We simply replace the projections by the interpolations. Let  $u_j^n$  be the approximation of  $u(x_j, t_n)$  and denote  $u_j^0 = \phi(x_j)$ , the exponential wave integrator Fourier pseudospectral (EWI-FP) method for the NKGE is

$$u_j^{n+1} = \sum_{l \in \mathcal{T}_M} \tilde{u}_l^{n+1} e^{i\mu_l(x_j - a)}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, M,$$

where

$$\widetilde{(u_M^1)}_l = \cos(\zeta_l^0 \tau) \tilde{\phi}_l + \frac{\sin(\zeta_l^0 \tau)}{\zeta_l^0} \tilde{\gamma}_l + \frac{\varepsilon^2 (\cos(\tau \zeta_l^0) - 1)}{(\zeta_l^0)^2} \tilde{g}_l^0(0),$$

$$\widetilde{(u_M^{n+1})}_l = -\widetilde{(u_M^{n-1})}_l + 2 \cos(\zeta_l^n \tau) \widetilde{(u_M^n)}_l + \frac{2\varepsilon^2 (\cos(\tau \zeta_l^n) - 1)}{(\zeta_l^n)^2} \widetilde{g}_l^n(0), \quad n \geq 1,$$

# Stability analysis

Let  $T_0 > 0$  be a fixed constant,  $T_\varepsilon = T_0/\varepsilon^2$  and denote

$$\sigma_{\max} := \max_{0 \leq n \leq T_\varepsilon/\tau} \|u^n\|_{l^\infty}^2,$$

where  $\|u\|_{l^\infty} = \max_{0 \leq j \leq M-1} |u_j|$ .

## Lemma

If  $\alpha^n$  is chosen such that  $\alpha^n \geq \sigma_{\max}$  for  $n \geq 0$ , the EWI-FP is unconditionally stable for any  $h > 0$ ,  $\tau > 0$  and  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$ .

In practice, the above lemma suggests that  $\alpha^n$  can be chosen as:

$$\alpha^n = \max \left\{ \alpha^{n-1}, \max_{u_j^n \neq 0, 0 \leq j \leq M} (u_j^n)^2 \right\}, \quad n \geq 0, \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha^{-1} = 0.$$

# Error bounds for the EWI-FP method

Under the assumptions of the regularity of the exact solution up to the time at  $t = T_0/\varepsilon^\beta$  with  $0 \leq \beta \leq 2$  and letting

$$\tau \leq \frac{\pi h}{3\sqrt{h^2 + \pi^2 + \varepsilon^2 M_2 h^2}}, \quad 0 < \varepsilon \leq 1,$$

we have the following error estimates for the EWI-FS method:

## Theorem

Let  $u_M^n(x)$  be the approximations obtained from the EWI-FS, under the assumptions, there exist constants  $h_0 > 0$  and  $\tau_0 > 0$  sufficiently small and independent of  $\varepsilon$ , such that for any  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$ , when  $0 < h \leq h_0$ ,  $0 < \tau \leq \tau_0$ , we have

$$\|u(x, t_n) - u_M^n(x)\|_{H^\lambda} \lesssim h^{m_0 - \lambda} + \varepsilon^{2-\beta} \tau^2, \quad \lambda = 0, 1,$$

$$\|u_M^n(x)\|_{L^\infty} \leq 1 + M_1, \quad 0 \leq n \leq \frac{T_0/\varepsilon^\beta}{\tau}.$$

# The EWI-FP method for NKGE

- Resolution in long-time regime up to  $O(\varepsilon^{-2})$ :

$$h = O(1), \quad \tau = O(1)$$

- Properties
  - ▶ Explicit - no need to solve any linear system
  - ▶ Easy to extend to 2D or 3D
  - ▶ Unconditionally stable by adding a proper linear stabilizing term

# Numerical results for the EWI-FP method

Table: Spatial errors of the EWI-FP for the NKGE in 1D with different  $\beta$  or  $\varepsilon$

	$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _{H^1}$	$h_0 = \pi/2$	$h_0/2$	$h_0/2^2$	$h_0/2^3$
$\beta = 0$	$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	4.05E-2	8.80E-3	1.53E-4	1.26E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2$	4.78E-2	8.48E-3	1.58E-4	1.05E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	5.17E-2	8.36E-3	1.59E-4	9.92E-9
	$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	5.28E-2	8.33E-3	1.59E-4	9.78E-9
	$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	5.31E-2	8.32E-3	1.59E-4	9.75E-9
$\beta = 1$	$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	4.05E-2	8.80E-3	1.53E-4	1.26E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2$	3.98E-2	6.27E-3	5.61E-5	1.60E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	1.57E-2	8.14E-3	1.33E-4	3.18E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	1.02E-2	3.17E-3	2.82E-5	4.61E-9
	$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	6.08E-3	3.44E-3	1.41E-5	1.45E-8
$\beta = 2$	$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	4.05E-2	8.80E-3	1.53E-4	1.26E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2$	4.04E-2	8.46E-3	1.40E-4	3.21E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	6.12E-2	4.18E-3	1.57E-5	1.41E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	1.01E-1	3.25E-3	1.45E-4	2.79E-8
	$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	6.05E-2	1.24E-3	1.34E-4	2.83E-8

# Temporal errors for EWI-FP with $\beta = 0$

Error bounds:  $\|u(x, t_n) - u_M^n(x)\|_{H^\lambda} \lesssim h^{m_0-\lambda} + \varepsilon^2 \tau^2$

Table: Temporal errors of the EWI-FP for the NKGE in 1D with  $\beta = 0$

$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _{H^1}$	$\tau_0 = 0.2$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$	$\tau_0/2^6$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	3.28E-2	8.13E-3	2.03E-3	5.06E-4	1.27E-4	3.16E-5	7.91E-6
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	1.99	2.01	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	1.17E-2	2.91E-3	7.25E-4	1.81E-4	4.53E-5	1.13E-5	2.83E-6
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	3.25E-3	8.06E-4	2.01E-4	5.02E-5	1.26E-5	3.14E-6	7.85E-7
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	1.99	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	8.33E-4	2.07E-4	5.16E-5	1.29E-5	3.22E-6	8.06E-7	2.02E-7
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	2.10E-4	5.21E-5	1.30E-5	3.25E-6	8.11E-7	2.03E-7	5.07E-8
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^5$	5.25E-5	1.30E-5	3.25E-6	8.13E-7	2.03E-7	5.08E-8	1.27E-8
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

# Temporal errors for EWI-FP with $\beta = 1$

Error bounds:  $\|u(x, t_n) - u_M^n(x)\|_{H^\lambda} \lesssim h^{m_0-\lambda} + \varepsilon\tau^2$

Table: Temporal errors of the EWI-FP for the NKGE in 1D with  $\beta = 1$

$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _{H^1}$	$\tau_0 = 0.2$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$	$\tau_0/2^6$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	3.28E-2	8.13E-3	2.03E-3	5.06E-4	1.27E-4	3.16E-5	7.91E-6
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	1.99	2.01	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	9.66E-3	2.44E-3	6.09E-4	1.52E-4	3.81E-5	9.53E-6	2.38E-6
order	-	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	5.81E-3	1.44E-3	3.62E-4	9.05E-5	2.26E-5	5.66E-6	1.41E-6
order	-	2.01	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.01
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	2.94E-3	7.39E-4	1.85E-4	4.62E-5	1.15E-5	2.89E-6	7.21E-7
order	-	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.01	1.99	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	1.66E-3	4.16E-4	1.04E-4	2.60E-5	6.51E-6	1.63E-6	4.07E-7
order	-	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^5$	5.47E-4	1.37E-4	3.44E-5	8.60E-6	2.15E-6	5.37E-7	1.34E-7
order	-	2.00	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

# Temporal errors for EWI-FP with $\beta = 2$

Error bounds:  $\|u(x, t_n) - u_M^n(x)\|_{H^\lambda} \lesssim h^{m_0-\lambda} + \tau^2$

Table: Temporal errors of the EWI-FP for the NKGE in 1D with  $\beta = 2$

$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _{H^1}$	$\tau_0 = 0.2$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$	$\tau_0/2^6$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	3.28E-2	8.13E-3	2.03E-3	5.06E-4	1.27E-4	3.16E-5	7.91E-6
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	1.99	2.01	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	1.76E-2	4.45E-3	1.11E-3	2.78E-4	6.96E-5	1.74E-5	4.35E-6
order	-	1.98	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	2.28E-2	5.68E-3	1.42E-3	3.55E-4	8.87E-5	2.22E-5	5.54E-6
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	4.68E-2	1.17E-2	2.93E-3	7.33E-4	1.83E-4	4.58E-5	1.15E-5
order	-	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.99
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	3.96E-2	9.94E-3	2.49E-3	6.22E-4	1.56E-4	3.89E-5	9.71E-6
order	-	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^5$	4.69E-2	1.17E-2	2.93E-3	7.32E-4	1.83E-4	4.57E-5	1.14E-5
order	-	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

# A relativistic NLSE reformulation

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{tt}u(x,t) - \partial_{xx}u(x,t) + u(x,t) + \varepsilon^2 u^3(x,t) &= 0, \quad x \in \Omega = (a,b), \quad t > 0, \\ u(x,0) = \phi(x), \quad \partial_t u(x,0) = \gamma(x), \quad x \in \bar{\Omega} &= [a,b],\end{aligned}$$

A **relativistic NLSE** reformulation:

- Define the operator  $\langle \nabla \rangle = \sqrt{1 - \Delta}$
- Denote  $\dot{u}(x,t) = \partial_t u(x,t)$  and  $\psi(x,t) = u(x,t) - i\langle \nabla \rangle^{-1}\dot{u}(x,t)$
- The NKGE is equivalent to the following NLSE:

$$\begin{cases} i\partial_t\psi(x,t) + \langle \nabla \rangle\psi(x,t) + \varepsilon^2\langle \nabla \rangle^{-1}f\left(\frac{1}{2}(\psi + \bar{\psi})\right)(x,t) = 0, \\ \psi(x,0) = \psi_0(x) := u_0(x) - i\langle \nabla \rangle^{-1}u_1(x), \end{cases}$$

where  $f(v) = v^3$  and  $\bar{\psi}$  denotes the complex conjugate of  $\psi$ .

# The second-order Strang splitting

- Step 1: linear part

$$\begin{cases} i\partial_t \psi(x, t) + \langle \nabla \rangle \psi(x, t) = 0, \\ \psi(x, 0) = \psi_0(x), \end{cases} \implies \psi(\cdot, t) = \varphi_T^t(\psi_0) := e^{it\langle \nabla \rangle} \psi_0, \quad t \geq 0.$$

- Step 2: nonlinear part

$$\begin{cases} i\partial_t \psi(x, t) + \varepsilon^2 \langle \nabla \rangle^{-1} f\left(\frac{1}{2}(\psi + \bar{\psi})\right)(x, t) = 0, \\ \psi(x, 0) = \psi_0(x). \end{cases}$$

$$\implies \psi(x, t) = \varphi_V^t(\psi_0) := \psi_0(x) + \varepsilon^2 t F(\psi_0(x)), \quad t \geq 0,$$

with

$$F(\phi) = i\langle \nabla \rangle^{-1} G(\phi), \quad G(\phi) = f\left(\frac{1}{2}(\phi + \bar{\phi})\right).$$

- The second-order Strang splitting:

$$\psi^{[n+1]} = \mathcal{S}_\tau(\psi^{[n]}) = \varphi_T^{\tau/2} \circ \varphi_V^\tau \circ \varphi_T^{\tau/2}(\psi^{[n]}), \quad 0 \leq n \leq \frac{T_0/\varepsilon^2}{\tau} - 1;$$

$$\psi^{[0]} = \psi_0 = u_0 - i\langle \nabla \rangle^{-1} u_1.$$

# Time-splitting Fourier spectral (TSFP) method

- Time-splitting Fourier pseudospectral (TSFP) discretization:

$$\psi_j^{(n,1)} = \sum_{l \in \mathcal{T}_N} e^{i \frac{\tau \zeta_l}{2}} (\widetilde{\psi^n})_l e^{i \mu_l (x_j - a)},$$

$$\psi_j^{(n,2)} = \psi_j^{(n,1)} + \varepsilon^2 \tau F_j^n, \quad F_j^n = i \sum_{l \in \mathcal{T}_N} \frac{1}{\zeta_l} (\widetilde{G(\psi^{(n,1)})})_l e^{i \mu_l (x_j - a)}$$

$$\psi_j^{n+1} = \sum_{l \in \mathcal{T}_N} e^{i \frac{\tau \zeta_l}{2}} (\widetilde{\psi^{(n,2)}})_l e^{i \mu_l (x_j - a)}.$$

- $u_j^n$  and  $\dot{u}_j^n$  can be recovered by

$$u_j^{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \psi_j^{n+1} + \overline{\psi_j^{n+1}} \right), \quad \dot{u}_j^{n+1} = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{l \in \mathcal{T}_N} \zeta_l \left[ (\widetilde{\psi^{n+1}})_l - (\overline{\widetilde{\psi^{n+1}}})_l \right] e^{i \mu_l (x_j - a)},$$

# Error estimates for the TSFP method

- Assumptions on the exact solution  $u(x, t)$  of the NKGE up to the time at  $T_\varepsilon = T_0/\varepsilon^\beta$  with  $\beta \in [0, 2]$ :

$$u \in L^\infty([0, T_\varepsilon]; H_p^{m+1}), \quad \partial_t u \in L^\infty([0, T_\varepsilon]; H_p^m),$$
$$\|u\|_{L^\infty([0, T_\varepsilon]; H_p^{m+1})} \lesssim 1, \quad \|\partial_t u\|_{L^\infty([0, T_\varepsilon]; H_p^m)} \lesssim 1,$$

with  $m \geq 1$ .

## Theorem

Let  $u^n$  be the numerical approximation obtained from the TSFP. Under the assumption, there exist  $h_0 > 0$  and  $\tau_0 > 0$  sufficiently small and independent of  $\varepsilon$  such that, for any  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$ , when  $0 < h \leq h_0$  and  $0 < \tau \leq \tau_0$ , we have the error estimates for  $s \in (1/2, m]$

$$\|u(\cdot, t_n) - I_N(u^n)\|_s + \|\partial_t u(\cdot, t_n) - I_N(\dot{u}^n)\|_{s-1} \lesssim h^{1+m-s} + \varepsilon^{2-\beta}\tau^2, \quad 0 \leq n \leq \frac{T_0/\varepsilon^\beta}{\tau}.$$

Moreover,  $I_N(u^n)$  and  $I_N(\dot{u}^n)$  preserves the regularities, i.e.,

$$I_N(u^n) \in H_p^{m+1}, \quad I_N(\dot{u}^n) \in H_p^m.$$

# Numerical results for the TSFP with $\beta = 0$

Error bounds:  $O(h^{1+m-s} + \varepsilon^2 \tau^2)$

Table: Temporal errors of the TSFP method for the NKGE with  $\beta = 0$

$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _1$	$\tau_0 = 0.2$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	2.47E+0	6.08E-1	1.51E-1	3.78E-2	9.45E-3	2.36E-3
order	-	2.02	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	6.29E-1	1.57E-1	3.93E-2	9.82E-3	2.45E-3	6.14E-4
order	-	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	1.55E-1	3.90E-2	9.76E-3	2.44E-3	6.11E-4	1.53E-4
order	-	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	3.85E-2	9.71E-3	2.43E-3	6.09E-4	1.52E-4	3.81E-5
order	-	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	9.61E-3	2.43E-3	6.08E-4	1.52E-4	3.80E-5	9.51E-6
order	-	1.98	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^5$	2.40E-3	6.06E-4	1.52E-4	3.80E-5	9.50E-6	2.38E-6
order	-	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^6$	6.00E-4	1.52E-4	3.80E-5	9.50E-6	2.38E-6	5.94E-7
order	-	1.98	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00

# Numerical results for the TSFP with $\beta = 1$

Error bounds:  $O(h^{1+m-s} + \varepsilon\tau^2)$

Table: Temporal errors of the TSFP method for the NKGE with  $\beta = 1$

$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _1$	$\tau_0 = 0.2$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	2.47E+0	6.08E-1	1.51E-1	3.78E-2	9.45E-3	2.36E-3
order	-	2.02	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	2.33E+0	5.63E-1	1.40E-1	3.49E-2	8.71E-3	2.18E-3
order	-	2.05	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	8.44E-1	2.08E-1	5.19E-2	1.30E-2	3.24E-3	8.10E-4
order	-	2.02	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	2.26E-1	5.63E-2	1.41E-2	3.51E-3	8.78E-4	2.19E-4
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.01	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	2.28E-2	5.64E-3	1.41E-3	3.51E-4	8.77E-5	2.19E-5
order	-	2.02	2.00	2.01	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^5$	2.44E-3	5.88E-4	1.46E-4	3.63E-5	9.08E-6	2.27E-6
order	-	2.05	2.01	2.01	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^6$	8.03E-4	1.98E-4	4.93E-5	1.23E-5	3.08E-6	7.67E-7
order	-	2.02	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.01

# Numerical results for the TSFP with $\beta = 2$

Error bounds:  $O(h^{1+m-s} + \tau^2)$

Table: Temporal errors of the TSFP method for the NKGE with  $\beta = 2$

$\ e(\cdot, T_\varepsilon)\ _1$	$\tau_0 = 0.2$	$\tau_0/2$	$\tau_0/2^2$	$\tau_0/2^3$	$\tau_0/2^4$	$\tau_0/2^5$
$\varepsilon_0 = 1$	2.47E+0	6.08E-1	1.51E-1	3.78E-2	9.45E-3	2.36E-3
order	-	2.02	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2$	2.09E+0	5.06E-1	1.26E-1	3.13E-2	7.83E-3	1.96E-3
order	-	2.04	2.01	2.01	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^2$	2.91E+0	7.18E-1	1.79E-1	4.47E-2	1.12E-2	2.79E-3
order	-	2.02	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.01
$\varepsilon_0/2^3$	1.36E+0	3.39E-1	8.45E-2	2.11E-2	5.28E-3	1.32E-3
order	-	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^4$	5.22E-1	1.30E-1	3.24E-2	8.09E-3	2.02E-3	5.06E-4
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^5$	7.75E-2	1.93E-2	4.81E-3	1.20E-3	3.00E-4	7.51E-5
order	-	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
$\varepsilon_0/2^6$	1.63E-2	4.06E-3	1.01E-3	2.54E-4	6.38E-5	1.63E-5
order	-	2.01	2.01	1.99	1.99	1.97

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# Extension to an oscillatory NKGE

- Rescaling in time  $s = \varepsilon^\beta t$  with  $0 \leq \beta \leq 2$
- Denote  $v(\mathbf{x}, s) := u(\mathbf{x}, s/\varepsilon^\beta) = u(\mathbf{x}, t)$
- The **oscillatory NKGE**

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{2\beta} \partial_{ss} v(\mathbf{x}, s) - \Delta v(\mathbf{x}, s) + v(\mathbf{x}, s) + \varepsilon^2 v^3(\mathbf{x}, s) &= 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{T}^d, \quad s > 0, \\ v(\mathbf{x}, 0) &= \phi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \partial_s v(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \varepsilon^{-\beta} \gamma(\mathbf{x}), \quad x \in \mathbb{T}^d. \end{aligned}$$

- The NKGE with weak nonlinearity/small initial data up to the time  $T_0/\varepsilon^\beta$  is equivalent to the oscillatory NKGE up to the fixed time  $T_0$

# Extension to an oscillatory NKGE

The solution of the oscillatory NKGE propagates waves with wavelength at  $O(1)$  in space and  $O(\varepsilon^\beta)$  in time.

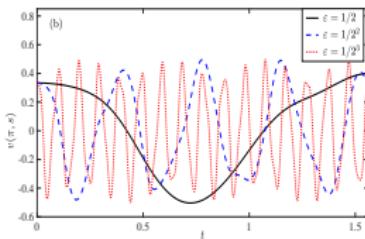
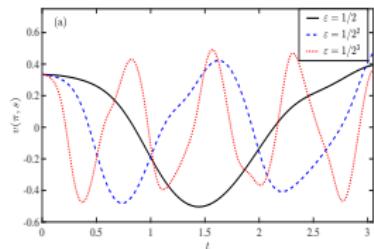


Figure: The solution  $v(\pi, s)$  of the oscillatory NKGE with  $d = 1$  for different  $\varepsilon$  and  $\beta$ : (a)  $\beta = 1$ , (b)  $\beta = 2$ .

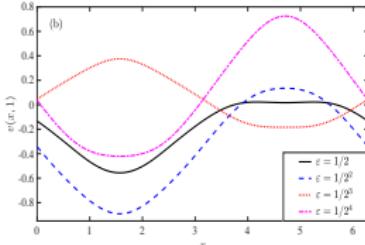
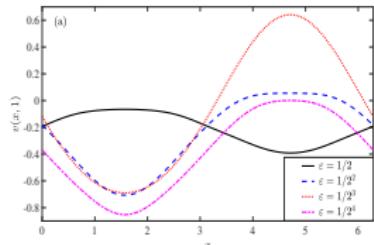


Figure: The solution  $v(x, 1)$  of the oscillatory NKGE with  $d = 1$  for different  $\varepsilon$  and  $\beta$ : (a)  $\beta = 1$ , (b)  $\beta = 2$ .

# Error estimates for the oscillatory NKGE

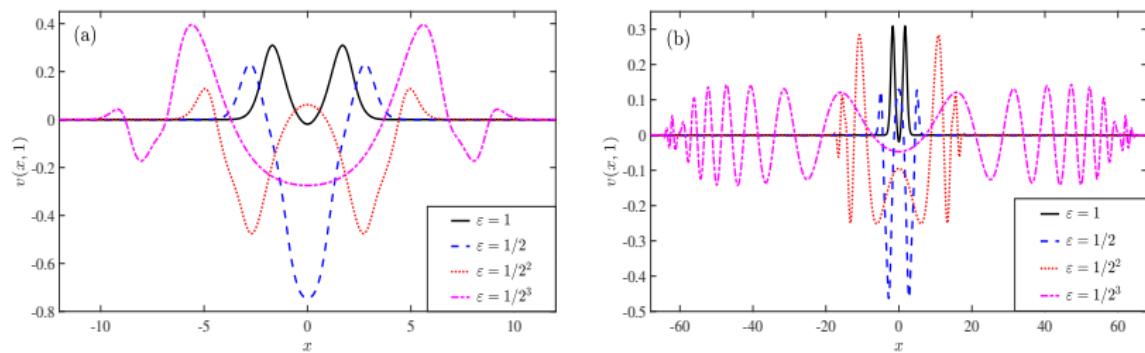
- FDTD methods
  - ▶ Error bounds:  $O(\frac{h^2}{\varepsilon^{3\beta}} + \frac{\tau^2}{\varepsilon^{3\beta}})$
  - ▶ Resolution:  $h = O(\varepsilon^{\beta/2})$ ,  $\tau = O(\varepsilon^{3\beta/2})$
- EWI-FP method
  - ▶ Error bounds:  $O(h^m + \varepsilon^{2-3\beta}\tau^2)$
  - ▶ Resolution:  $h = O(1)$ ,  $\tau = O(\varepsilon^{\alpha^*})$ , with  $\alpha^* = \max\{0, 3\beta/2 - 1\}$
- TSFP method
  - ▶ Error bounds:  $O(h^m + \varepsilon^{2-3\beta}\tau^2)$
  - ▶ Resolution:  $h = O(1)$ ,  $\tau = O(\varepsilon^{\alpha^*})$ , with  $\alpha^* = \max\{0, 3\beta/2 - 1\}$

# Numerical results in the whole space

Consider the following oscillatory NKGE in  $d$ -dimensional ( $d = 1, 2, 3$ ) whole space

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon^{2\beta} \partial_{ss} v(\mathbf{x}, s) - \Delta v(\mathbf{x}, s) + v(\mathbf{x}, s) + \varepsilon^2 v^3(\mathbf{x}, s) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad s > 0, \\ & v(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \phi(\mathbf{x}), \quad \partial_s v(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \varepsilon^{-\beta} \gamma(\mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d. \end{aligned}$$

The solution propagates waves with wave speed in space at  $O(\varepsilon^{-\beta})$ .



**Figure:** The solutions  $v(x, 1)$  of the oscillatory NKGE with  $d = 1$  for different  $\varepsilon$  and  $\beta$ : (a)  $\beta = 1$ , (b)  $\beta = 2$ .

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# Conclusions and future work

- Conclusions

- ▶ The FDTD, EWI-FP and TSFP methods for the NKGE with weak nonlinearity/small initial data
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- Future work

- ▶ Design a numerical scheme using large time steps
- ▶ Long-time dynamics for other equations, e.g. Burgers' equation, KdV equation,...

# THANK YOU!