



# Anderson localization in disordered rods.

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# Team of Waves in Elastic Systems

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# Plan

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2. Building symmetry:
  - a) Locally periodic rods
3. Destroying the symmetry
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  - c) Anderson localization
4. Conclusions

# Waves in rods

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial z^2} - \frac{\rho}{E} \frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial z^2} - \frac{\rho}{G} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^4 \xi}{\partial z^4} + \frac{\rho}{E R_g^2} \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

Compressional



Torsional



Bending



# Timoshenko equation

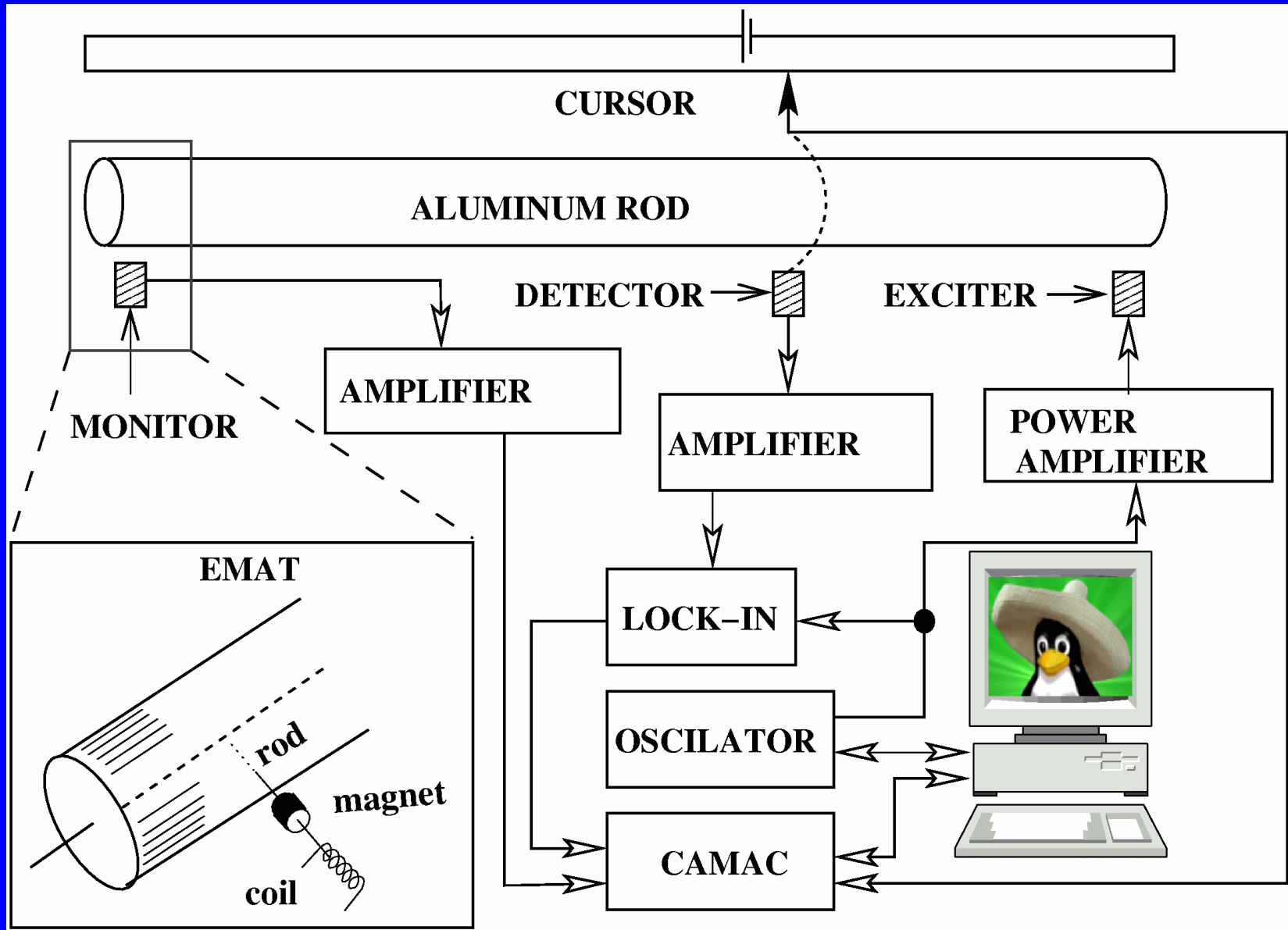
$$\frac{EI_y}{\rho S} \frac{\partial^4 \xi}{\partial z^4} - \frac{I_y}{S} \left( 1 + \frac{E}{\kappa G} \right) \frac{\partial^4 \xi}{\partial z^2 \partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\rho I_y}{\kappa G S} \frac{\partial^4 \xi}{\partial t^4} = 0$$

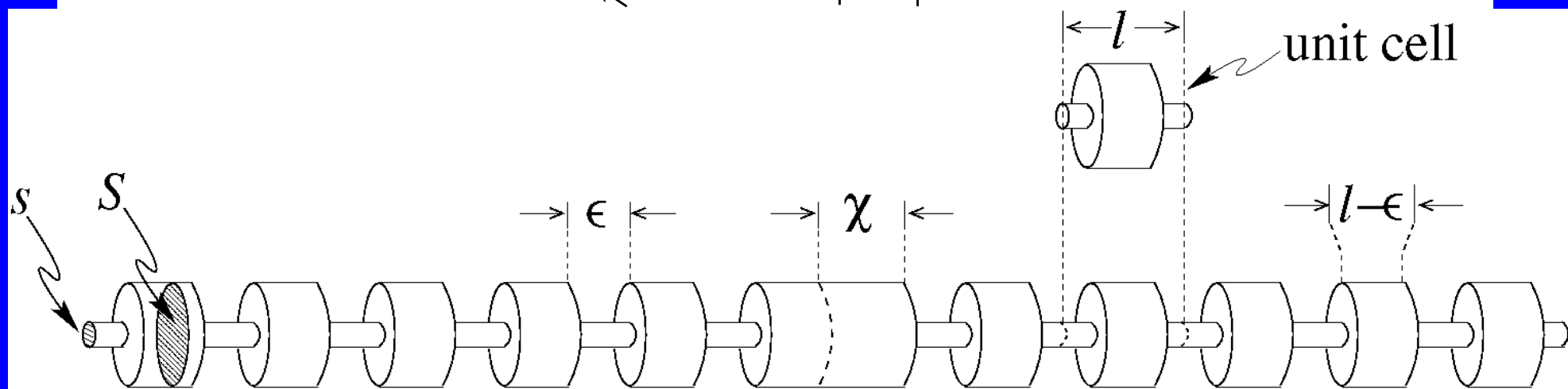
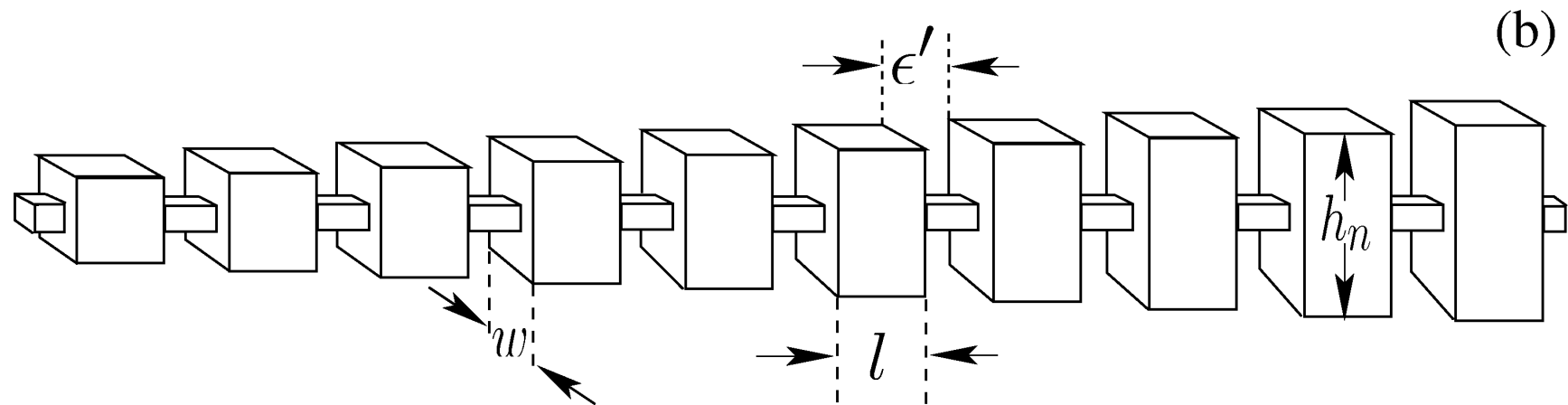
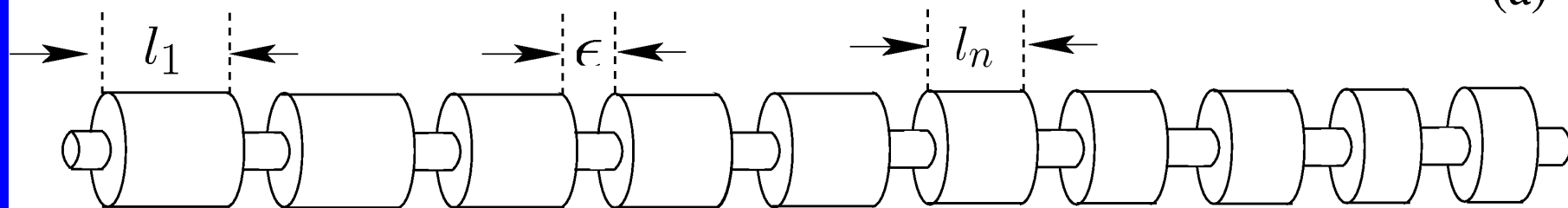
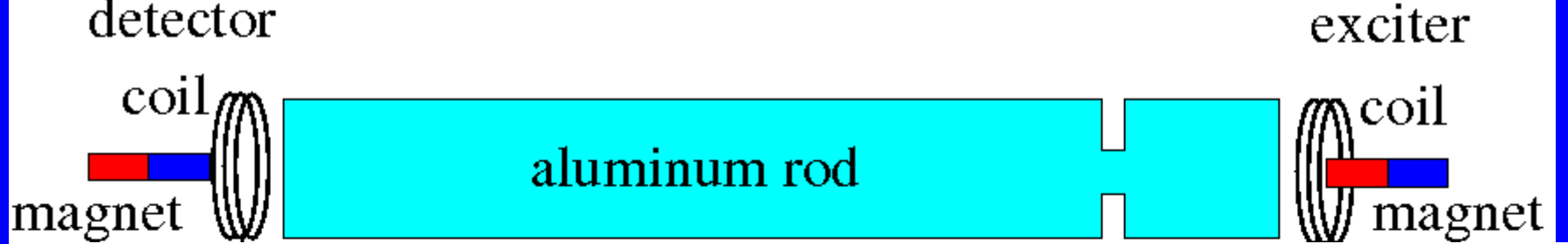
which is separable for a normal mode, when  $\xi = \Psi(z) \cos(\omega t)$ , with  $\omega = 2\pi f$ .

Here  $f$  is the frequency,  $G$  and  $E$  the shear and Young modulus, respectively,  $\rho$  the density,  $S$  the transversal area of the beam and  $I$  the moment of inertia.

The parameter  $\kappa$  is called the Timoshenko coefficient.

# Experimental Setup





# Some results in 1-D and 2-D systems

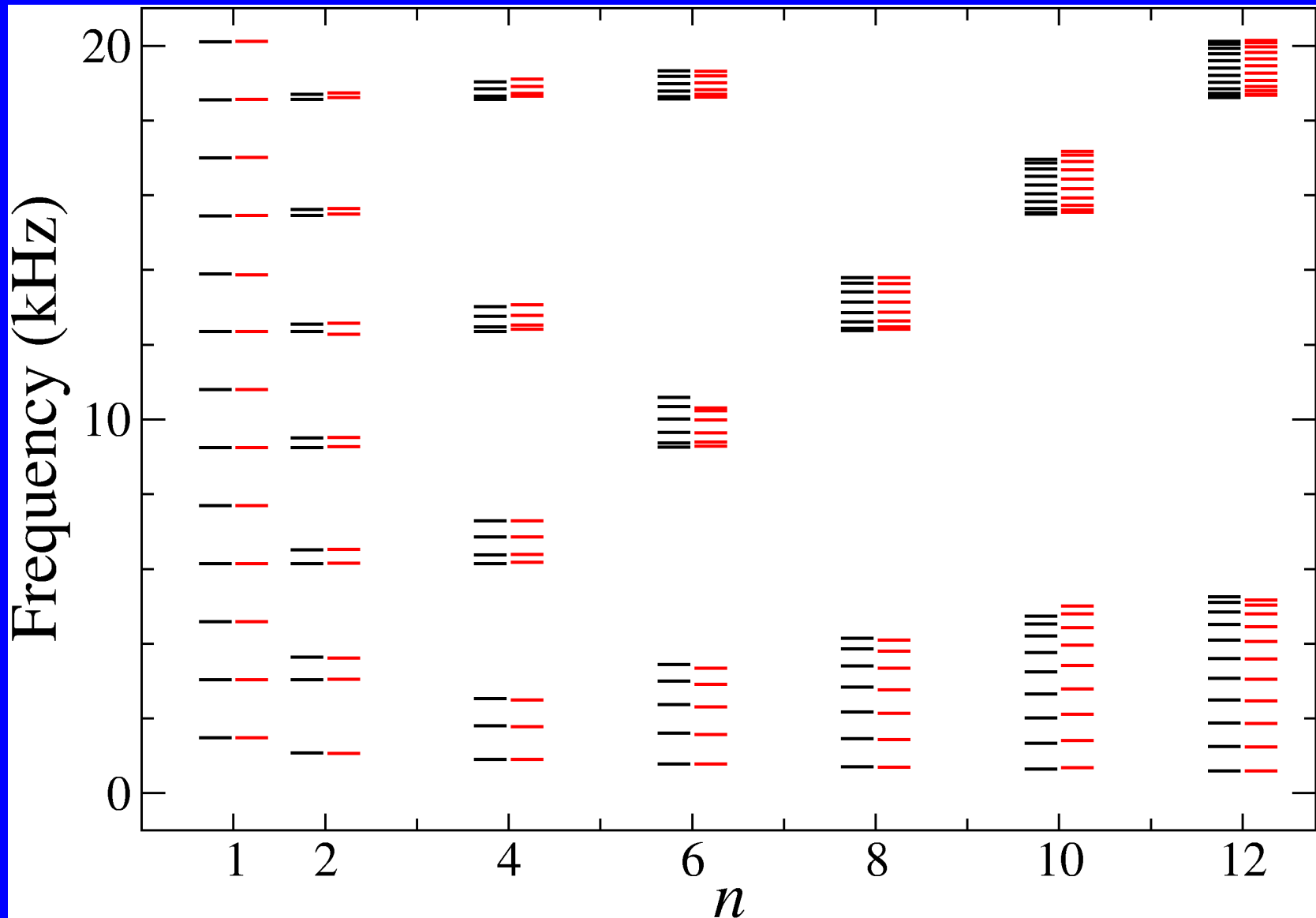
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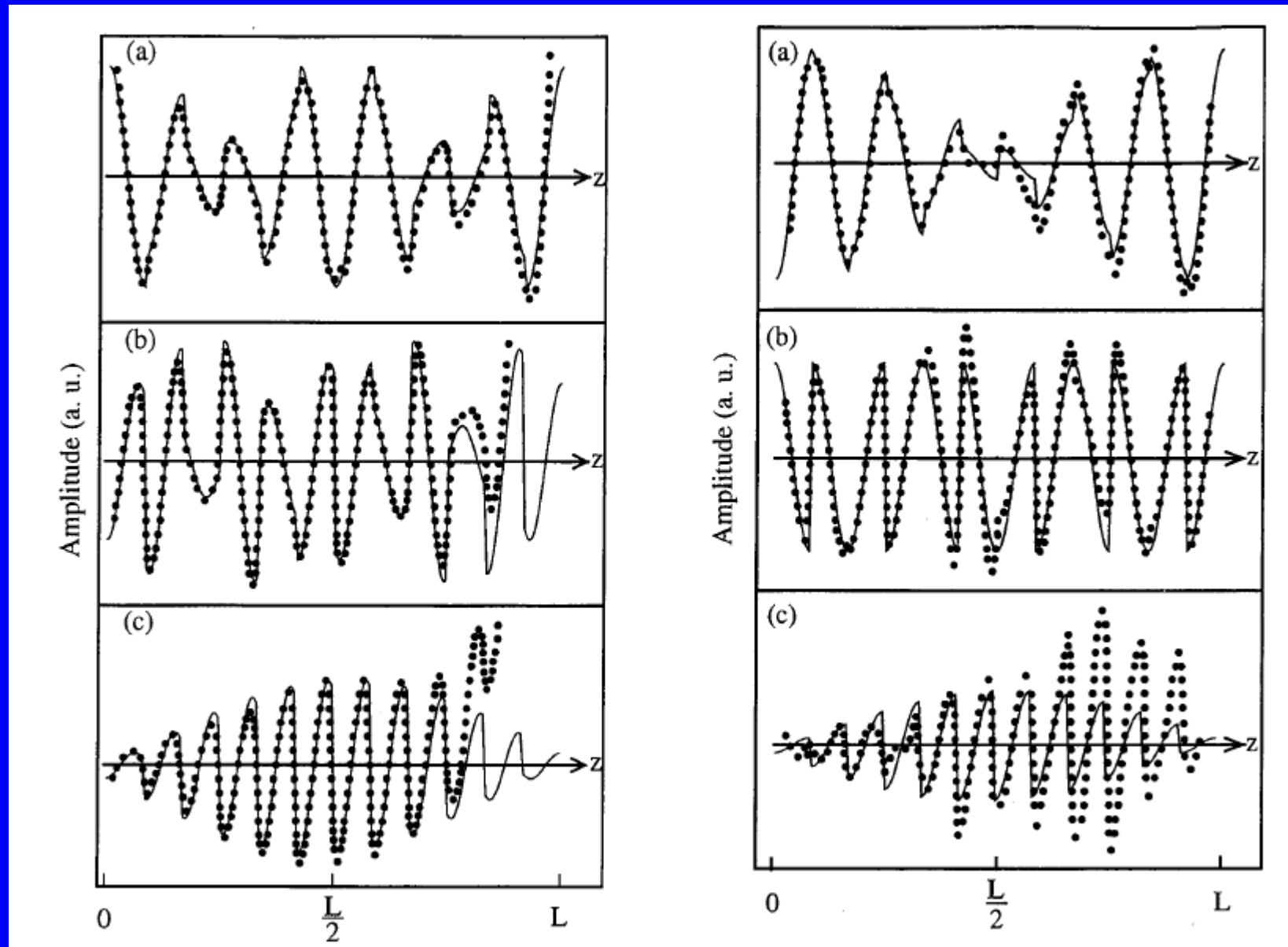


# When $n$ increases, a band spectrum emerges

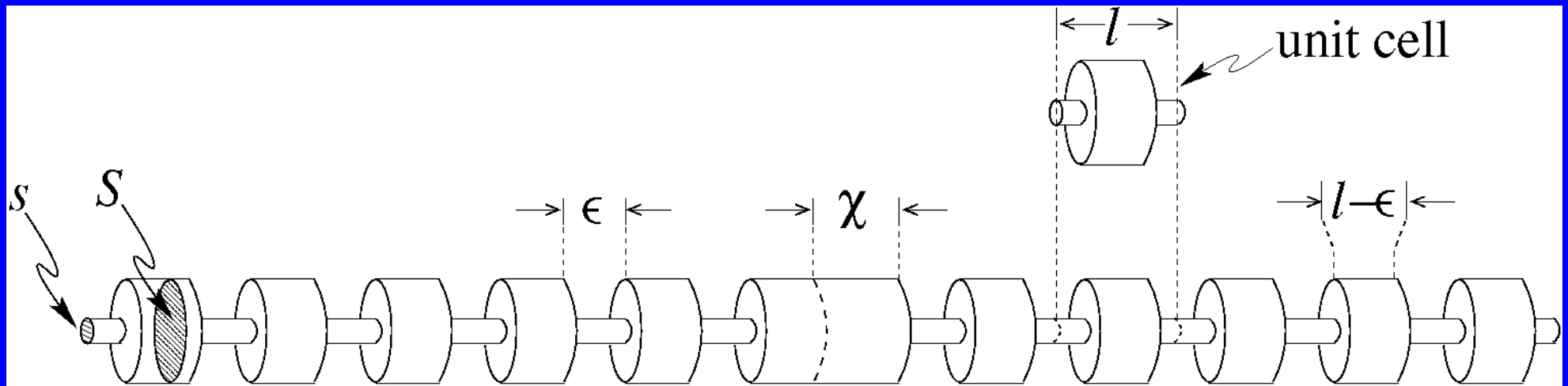
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# The wave amplitudes are extended



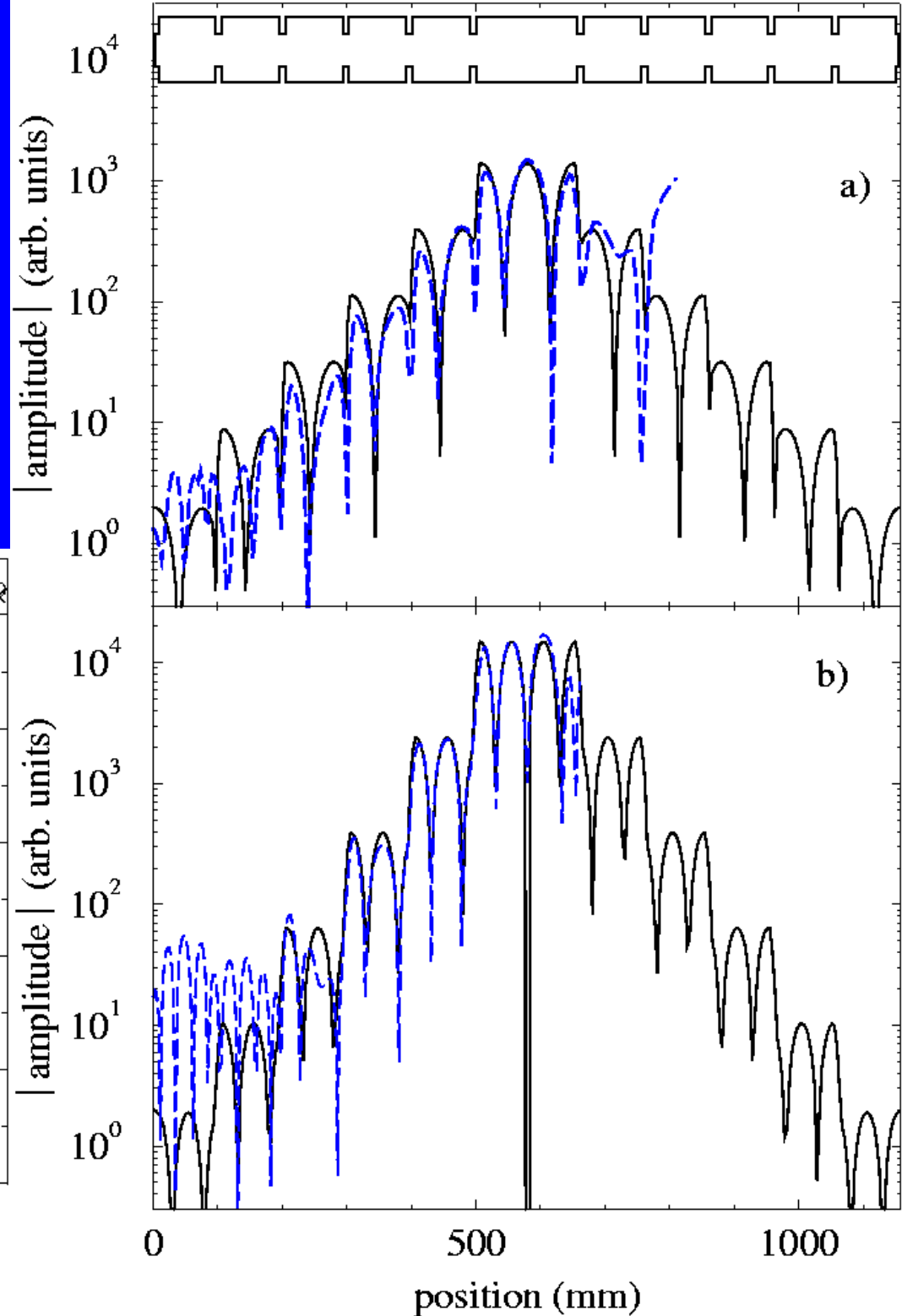
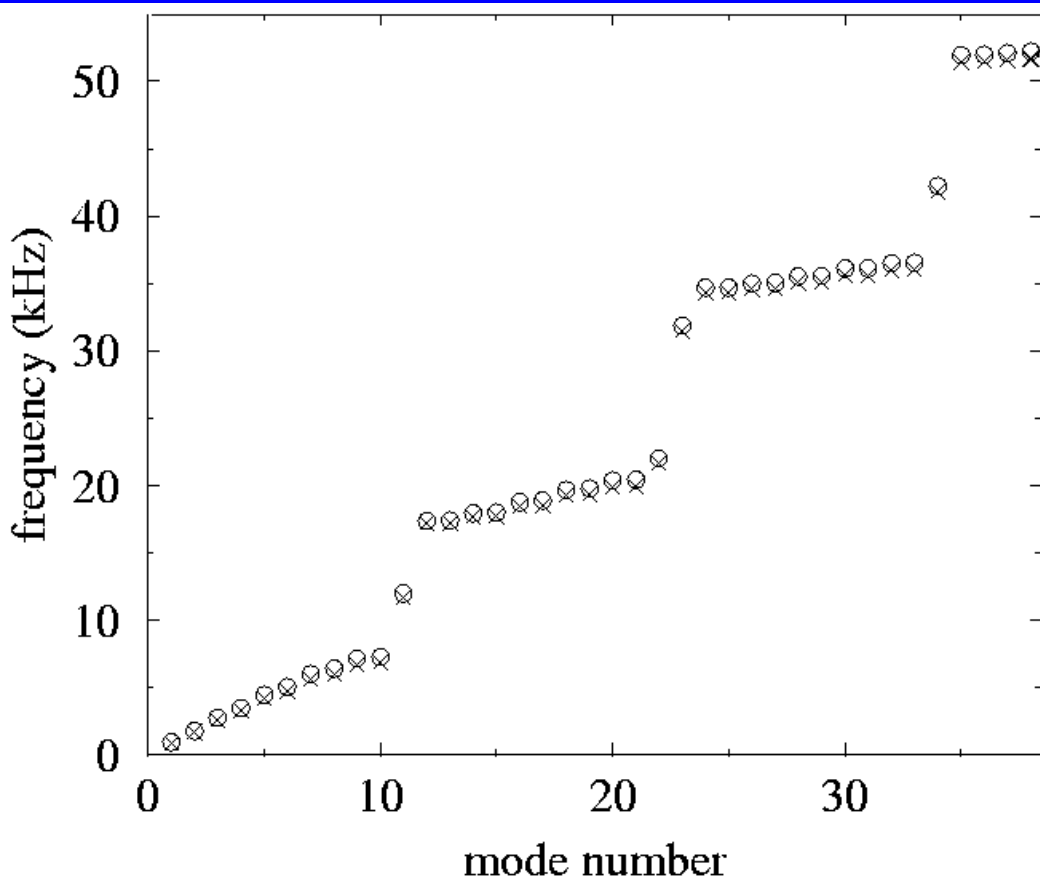
# Introducing a topological defect



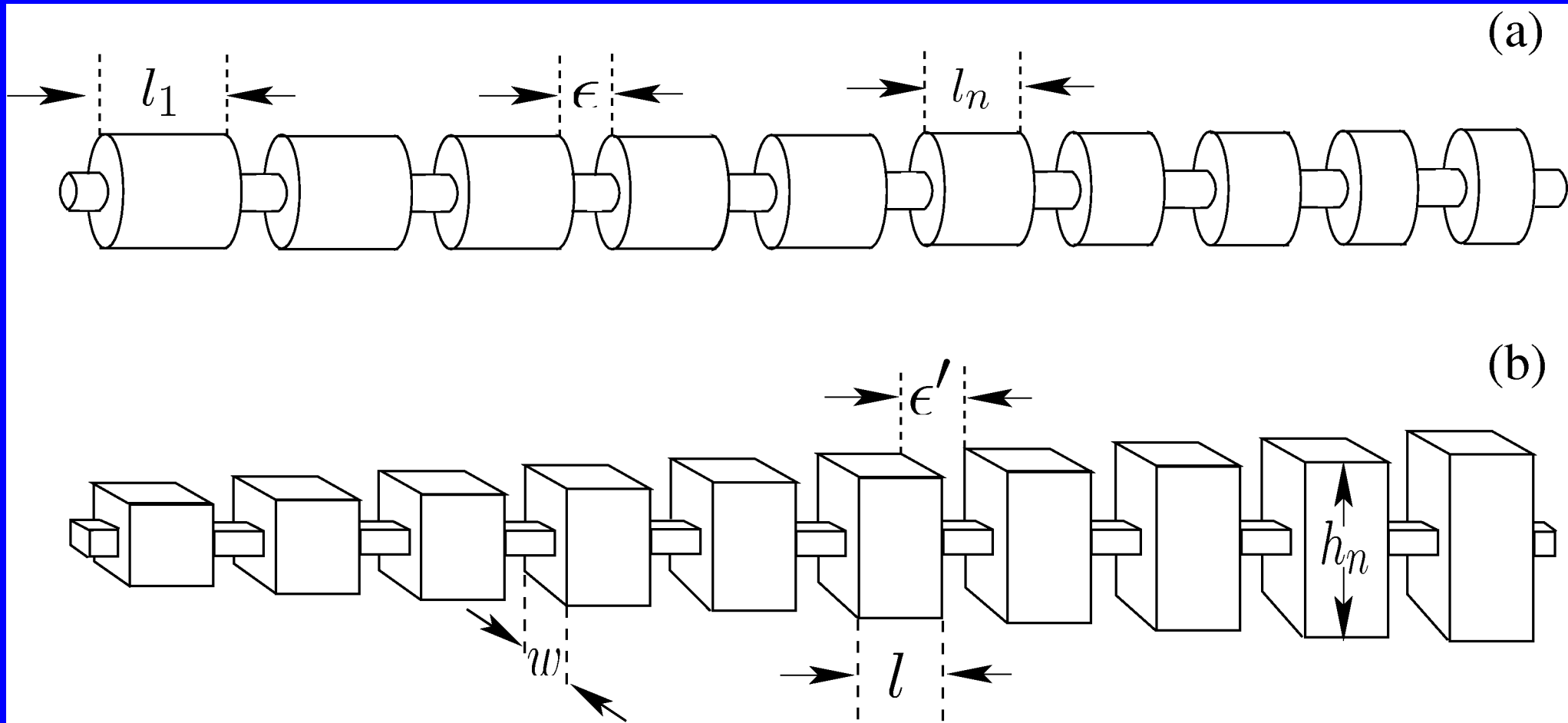
The topological defect breaks  
the long-range symmetry

Two localized states  
appear in the gap

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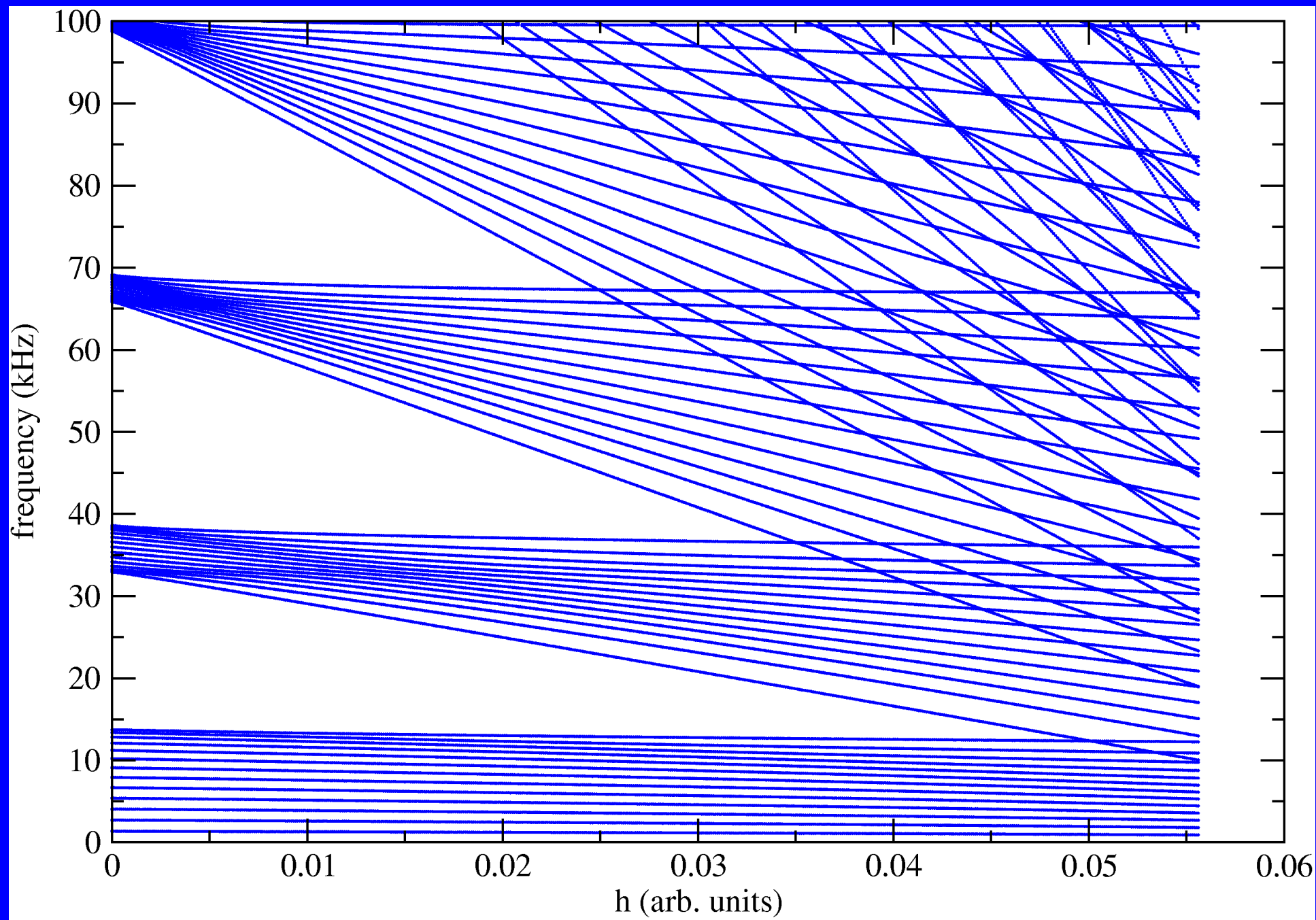


# Wannier-Stark ladders

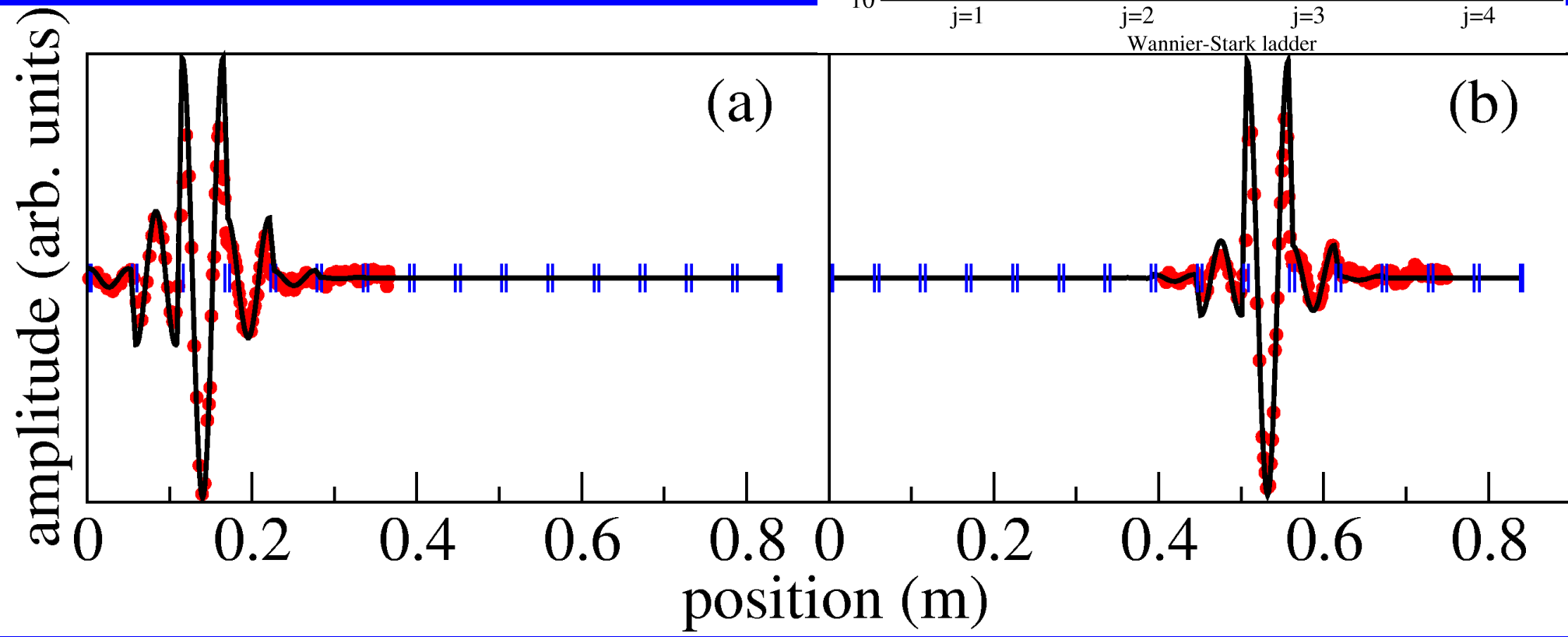
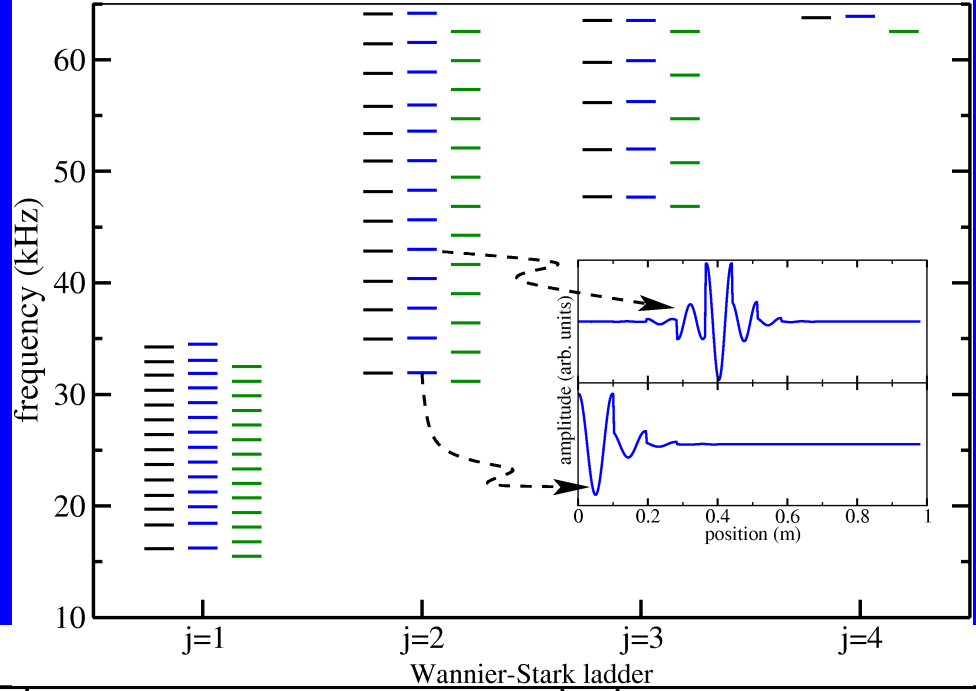


A renormalization of each cell is done according to  $L^j = L^0 / (1 + j h)$

# Wannier-Stark ladders spectrum

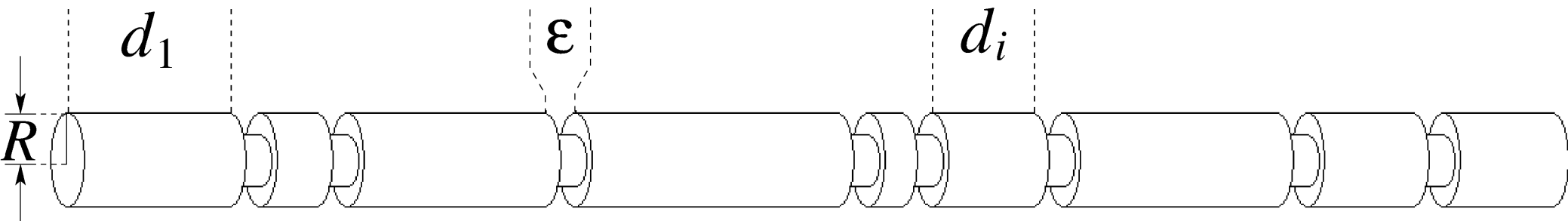


# Wannier-Stark ladders wave amplitudes





# Disordered rods

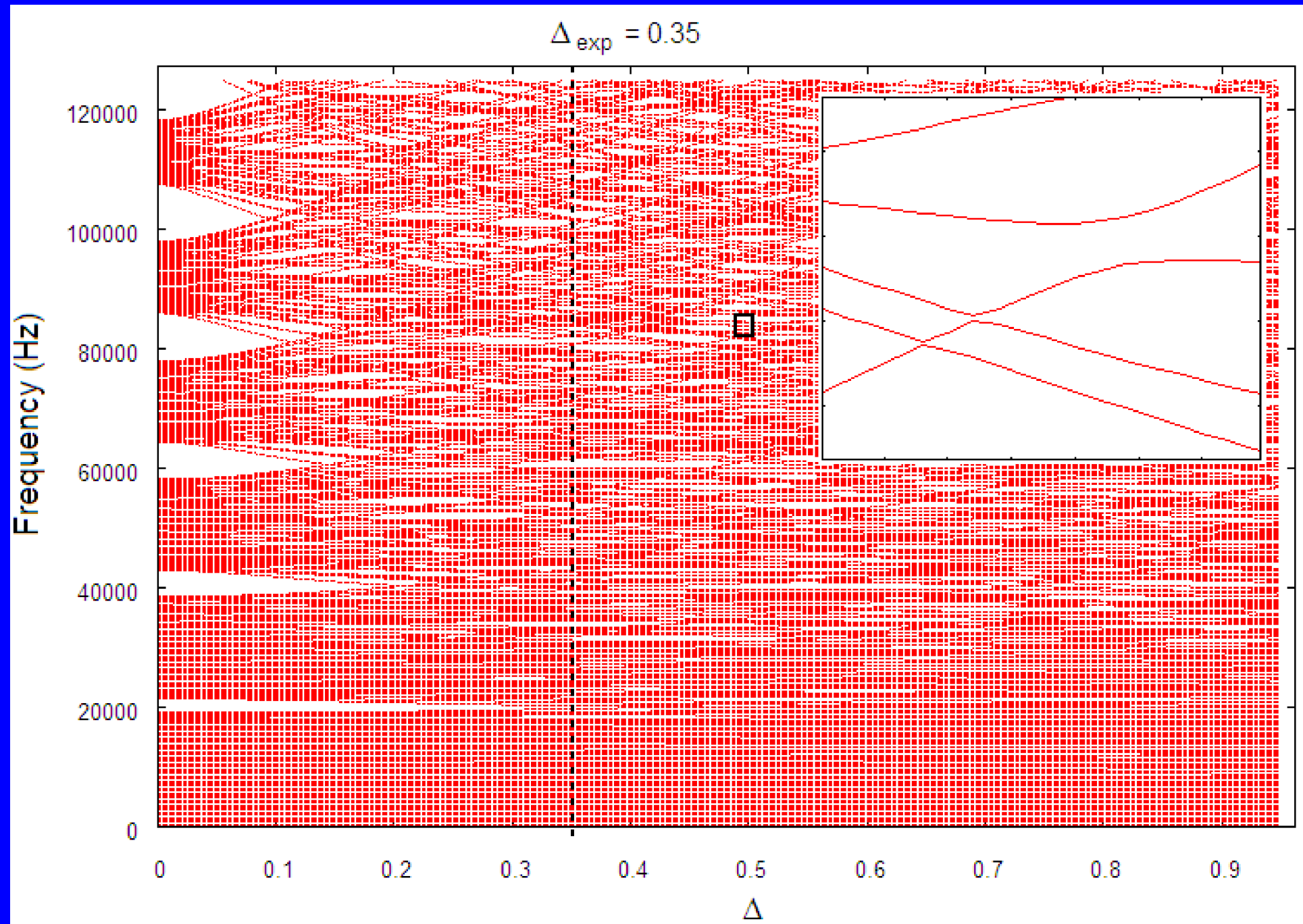


$\{d_i\}$  uncorrelated random numbers with a uniform distribution in the interval  $[d(1 - \Delta), d(1 + \Delta)]$ .

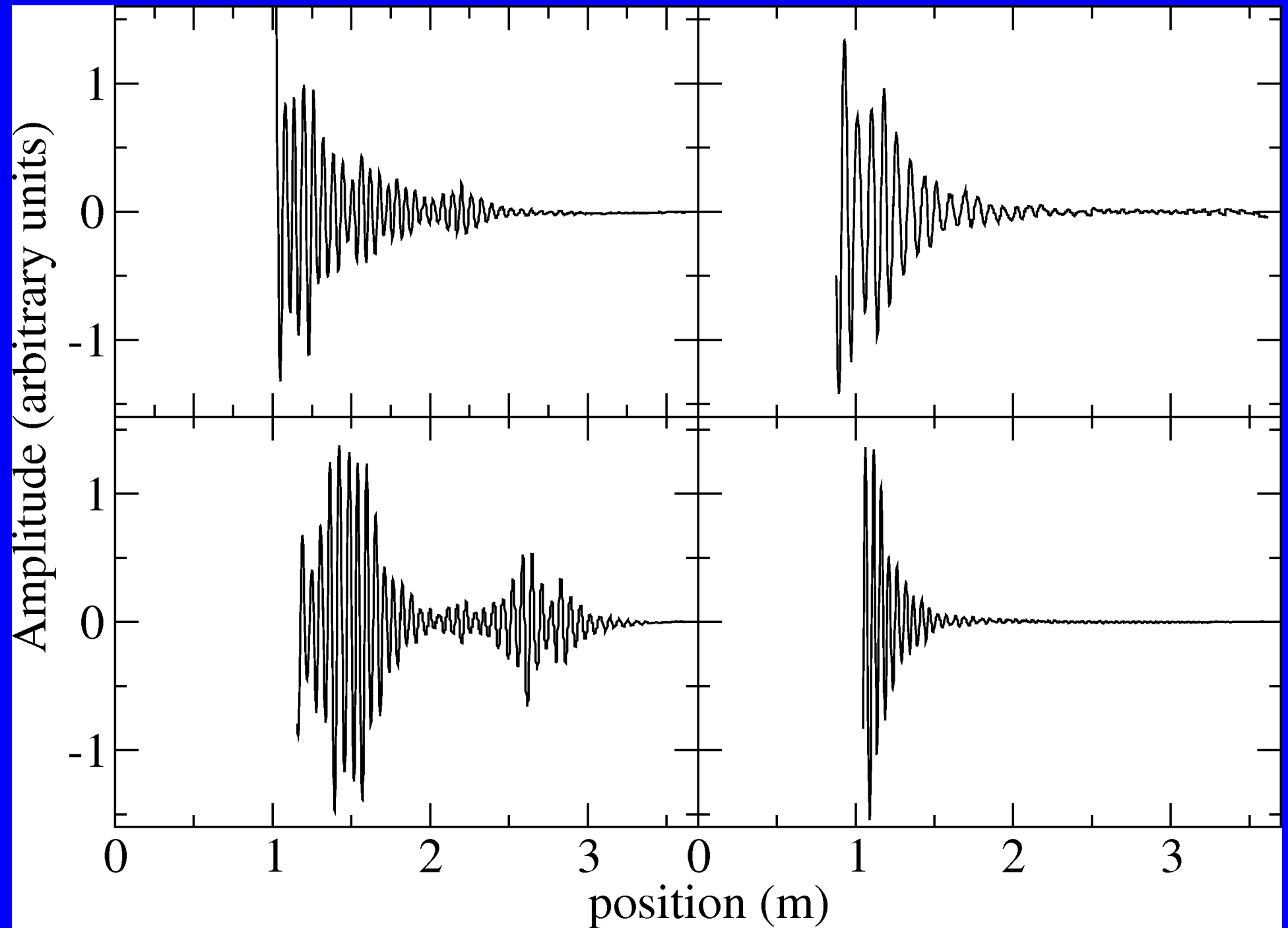
$d = \langle d_i \rangle$  is the average of  $d_i$ .

$\Delta$  measures the disorder, i. e.  $0 < \Delta/ < d/2$ .

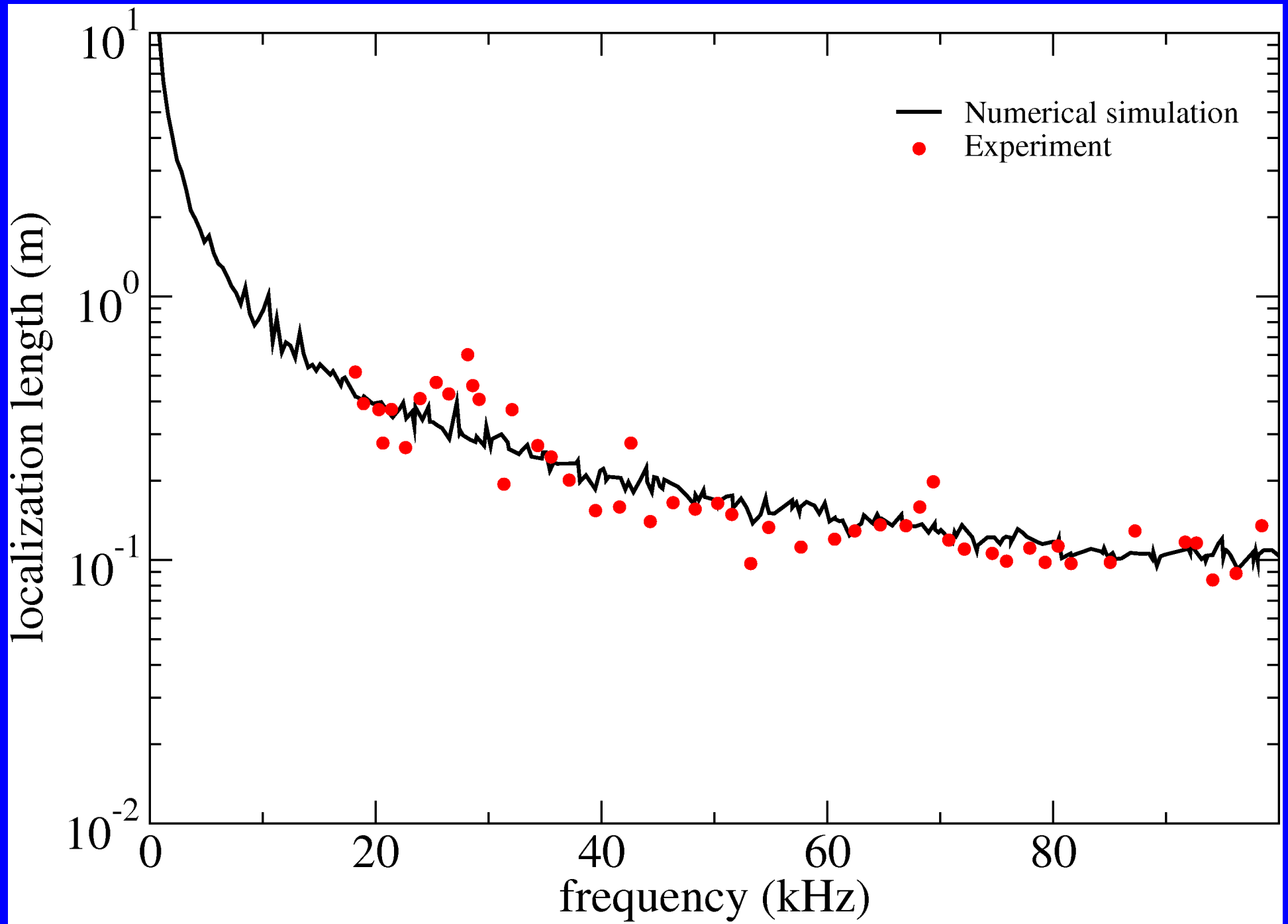
# Increasing the disorder



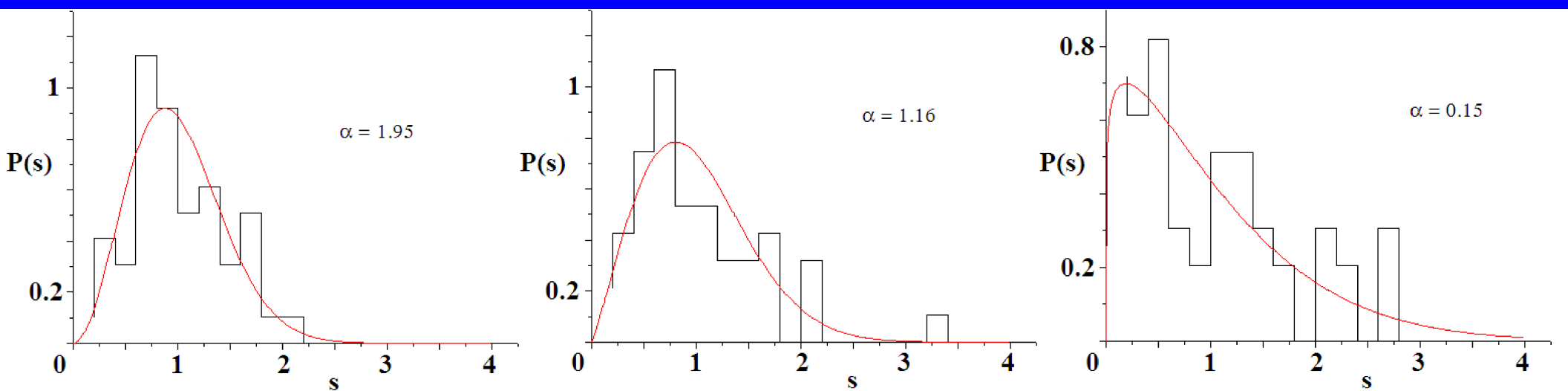
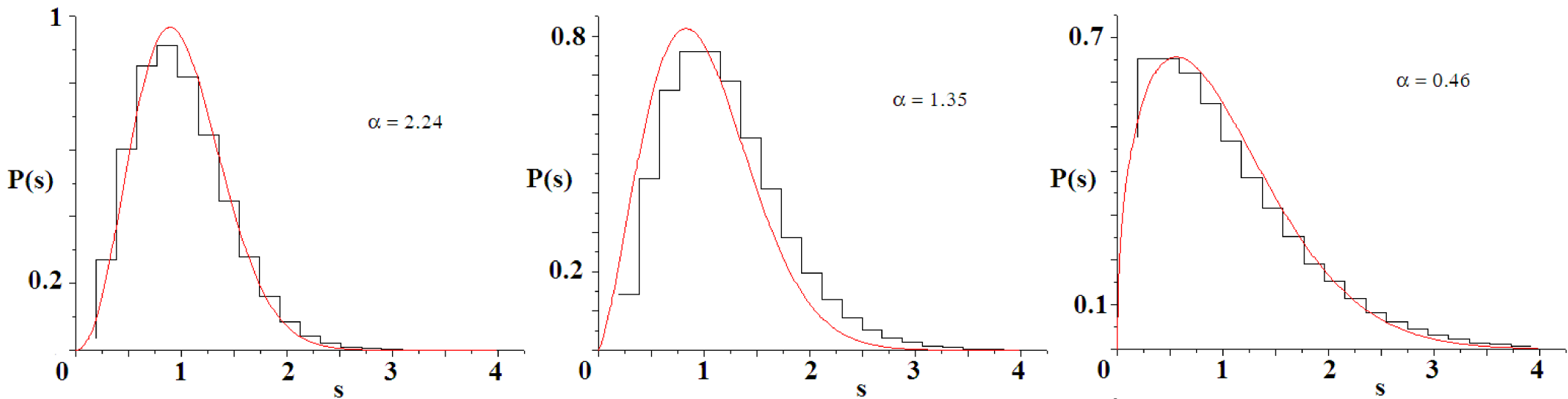
# Experimental wave amplitudes



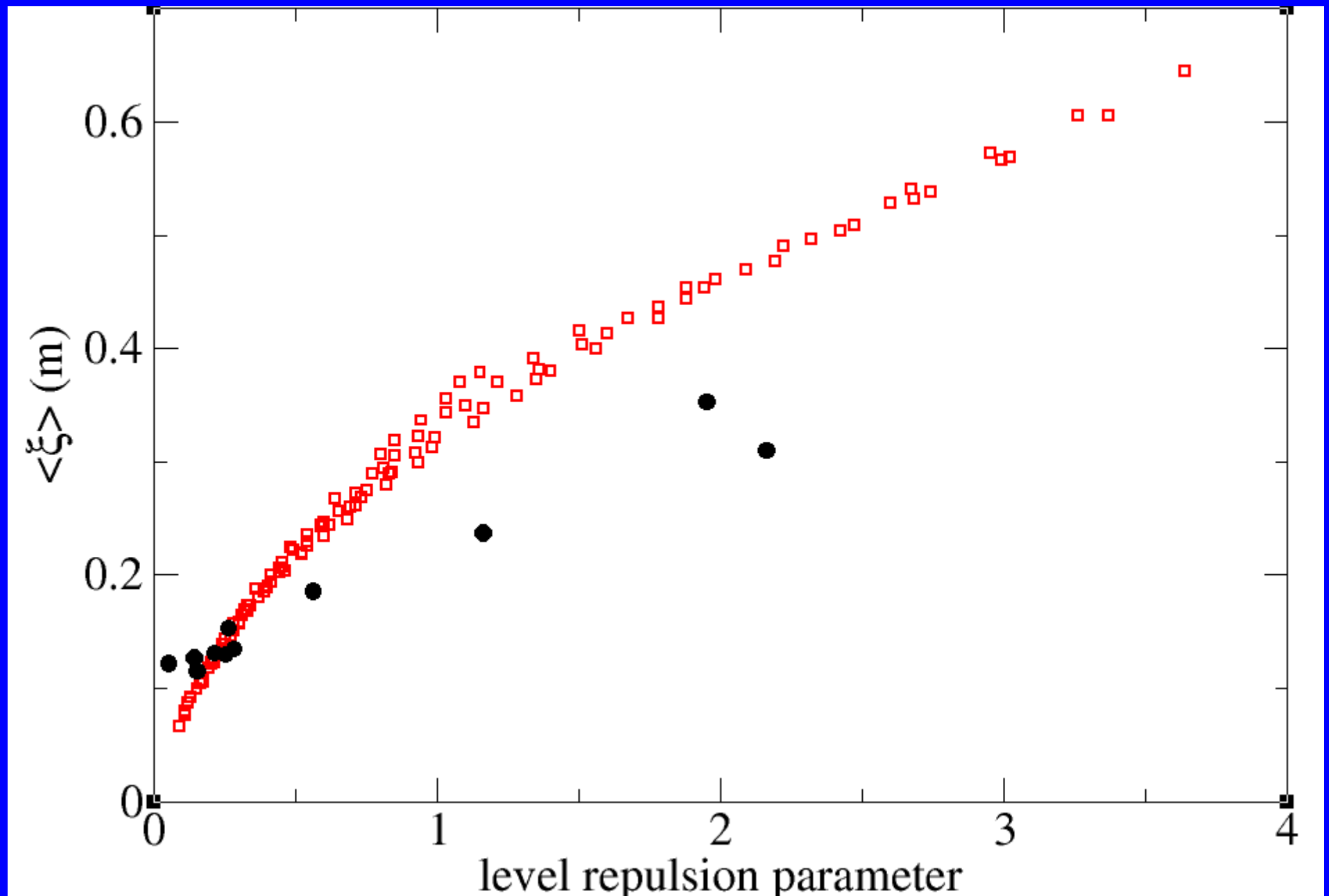
# Localization length



# Nearest-neighbor spacing distribution



# Localization length vs. level repulsion parameter



# Conclusions

- We measure Anderson localization in disordered elastic rods.
- From the measured spectrum the level repulsion was obtained
- The localization length was obtained from the measured wave amplitudes
- The localization length is a linear function of the level repulsion only in a range