

The statistics of clusters in the system of  
intersecting spheres randomly distributed in  
space



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$r_0$  is the interaction radius

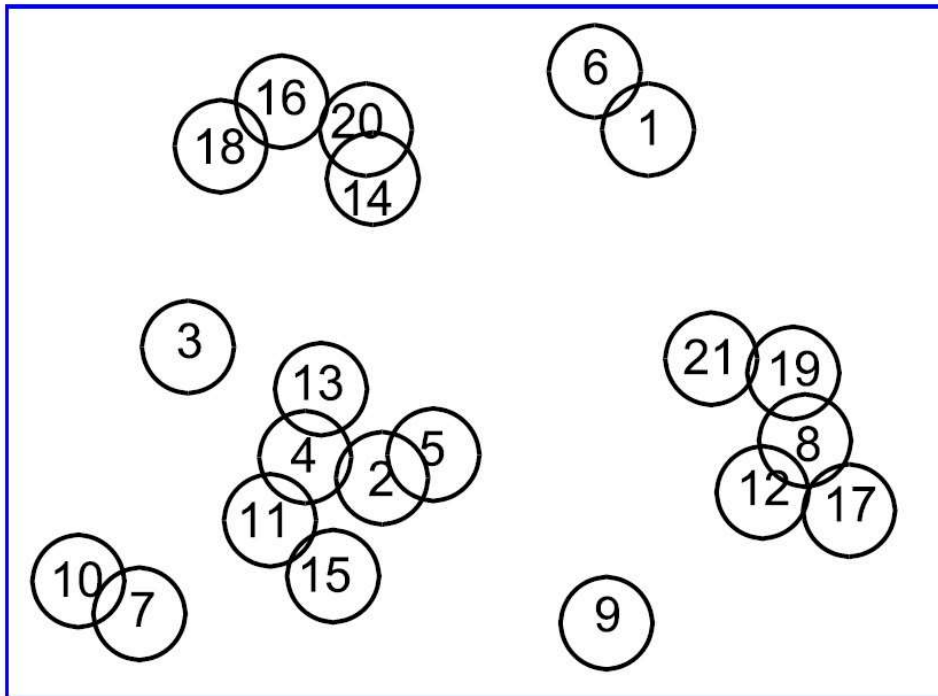
$l$  is the most probable value of  
the distance between atoms

$l = 0.554n^{-1/3}$  is the Hertz radius

$$n = N/V$$

$$a \equiv \text{RATE} = \frac{r_0}{l}$$

## 2D random system with 21 particles



$$N_1 = 6$$

$$N_2 = 5$$

$$N_3 = 4$$

$$N_4 = N_5 = 2$$

$$N_6 = N_7 = 1$$

$$N_k = \sum_{n=0}^N n w_k(n)$$

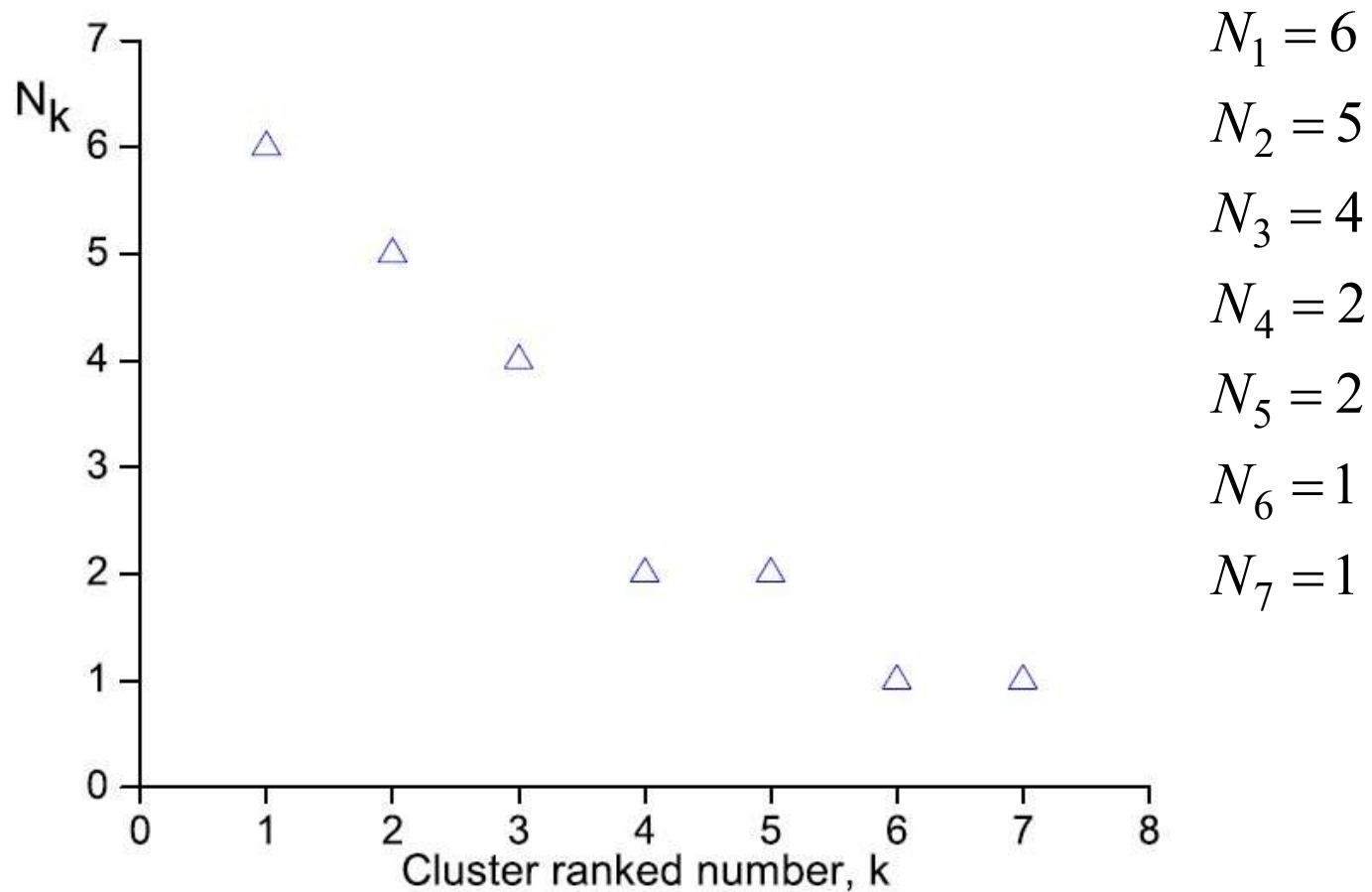
$$\sum_{k=1}^N N_k = N = 21$$

***k*** is a rank number of a cluster

$N_k \geq N_{k+1}$  where  $k$  is a rank number of the cluster

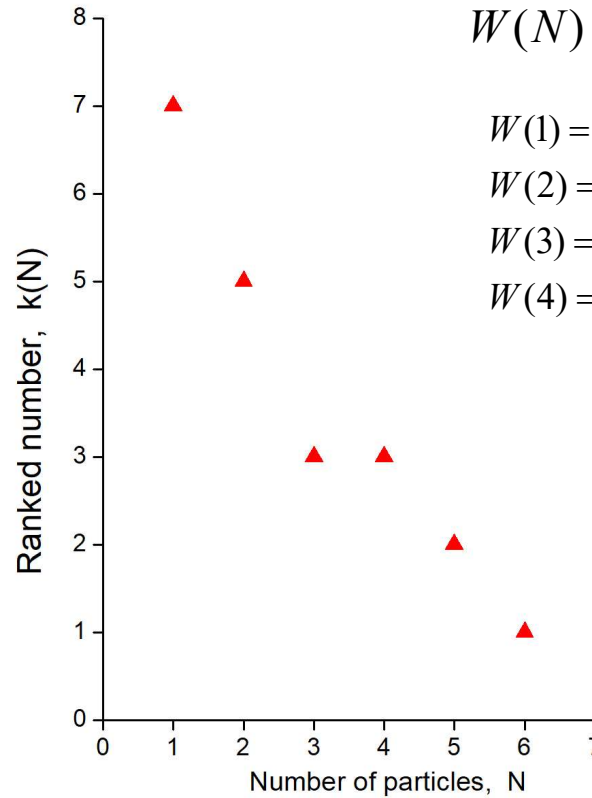
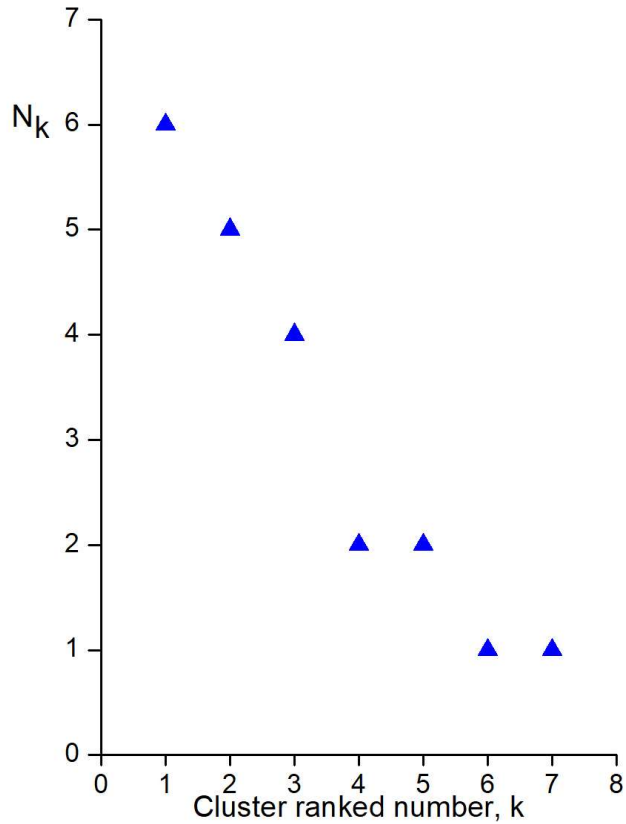
$N_k$  is number of atoms in a cluster with a rank number  $k$

## Distribution of particles over the ranked clusters



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# Distribution of clusters over sizes, $W(N)$



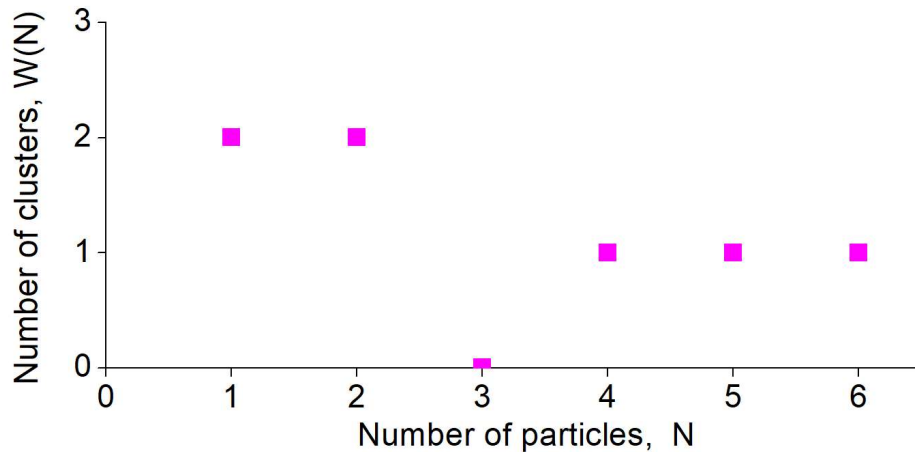
$$W(N) = k(N) - k(N + 1)$$

$$W(1) = k(1) - k(2) = 7 - 5 = 2$$

$$W(2) = k(2) - k(3) = 5 - 3 = 2$$

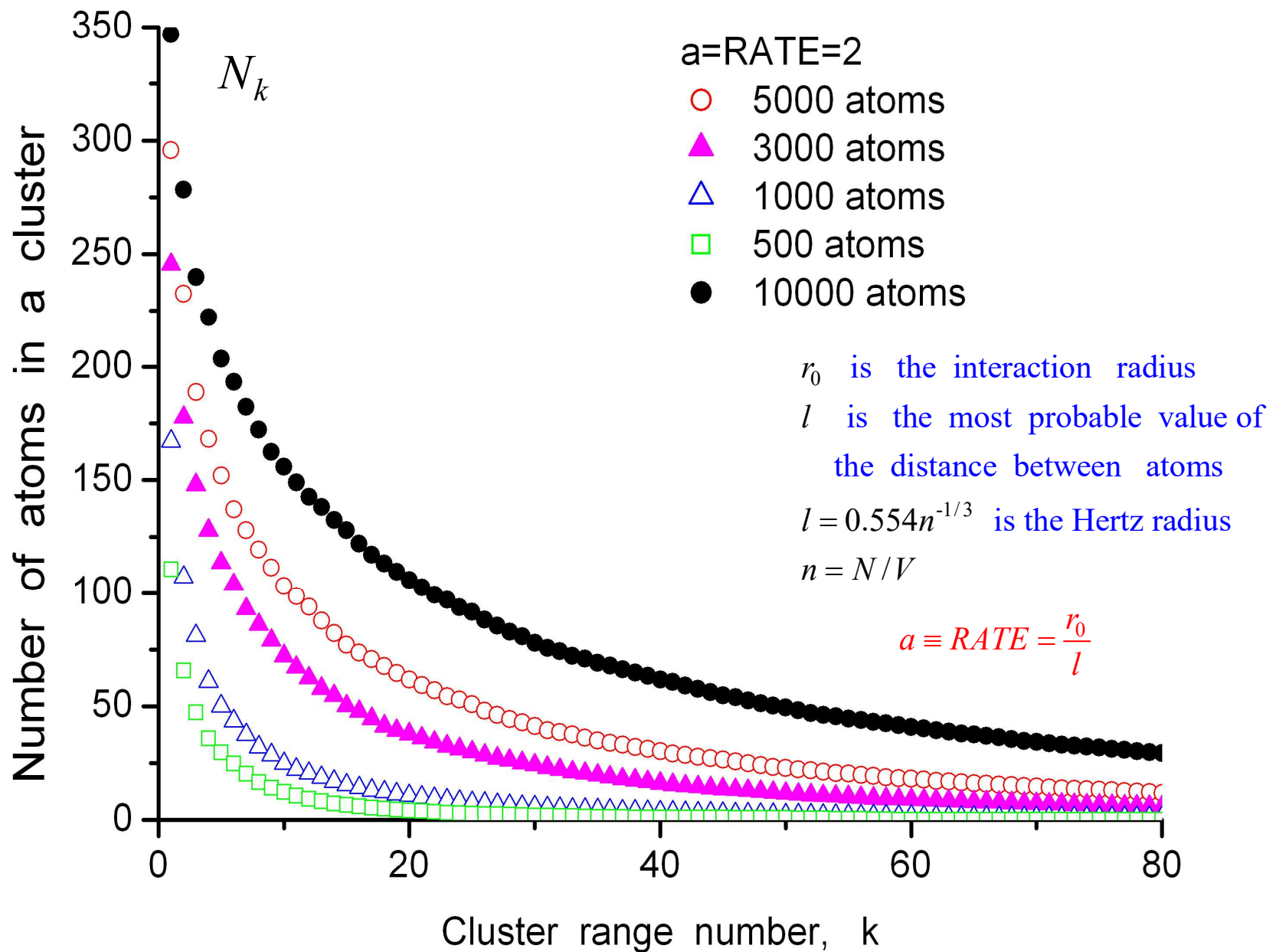
$$W(3) = k(3) - k(4) = 3 - 3 = 0$$

$$W(4) = k(4) - k(5) = 3 - 2 = 1$$

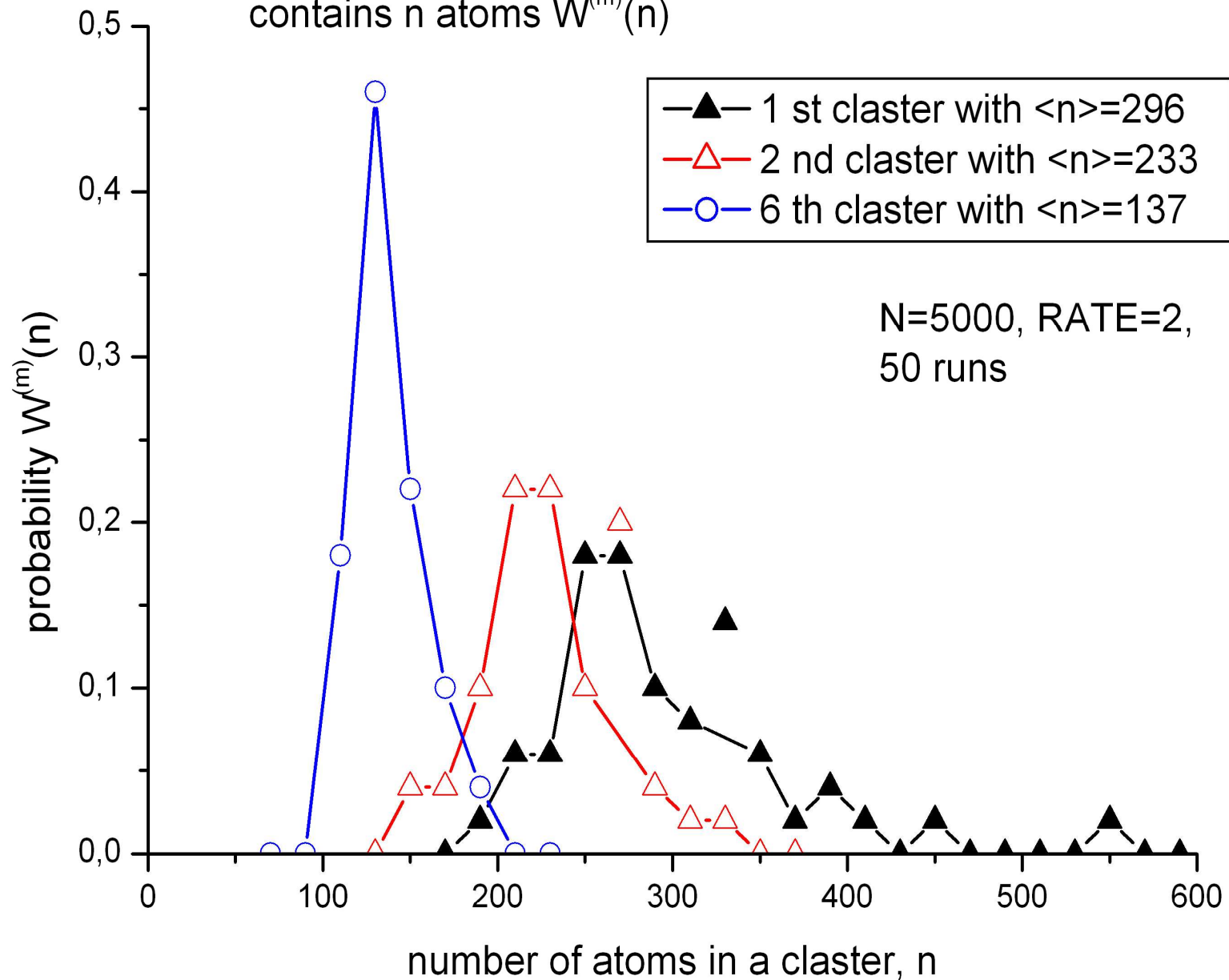


$$\sum_{N=1}^{N_{max}} N W(N) = N_0,$$

$$\sum_{N=1}^{N_{max}} W(N) = k_0.$$



The probability that a given m-th cluster contains n atoms  $W^{(m)}(n)$



# Функция распределения кластеров по размерам (числу частиц)

$W(N)$  – вероятность того, что кластер содержит  
ровно  $N$  частиц

$$\sum_{N=1} W(N) = 1. \quad (1)$$

Из численной функции  $N_k$  находим обратную  $k(N)$ .

Тогда

$$W(N) = k(N) - k(N + 1). \quad (2)$$

Логнормальное распределение

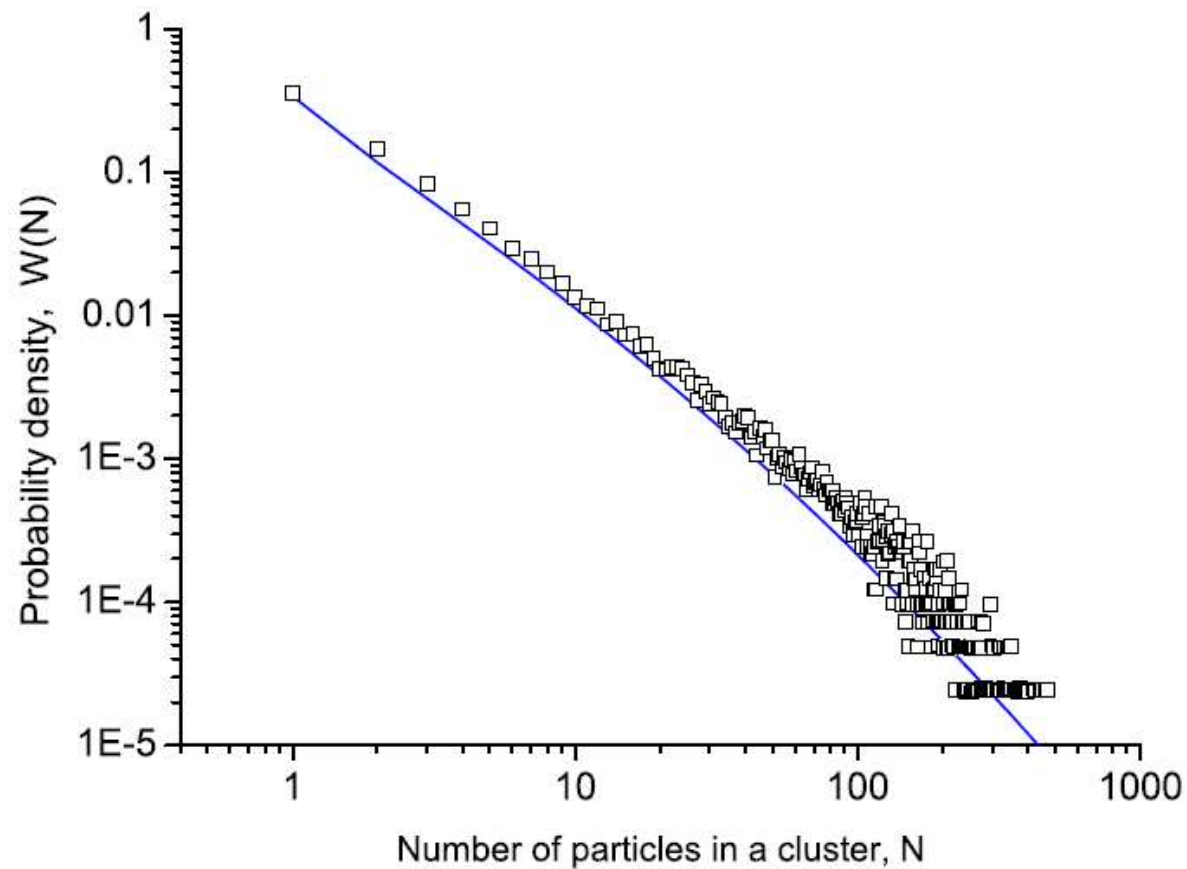
$$df(N) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \ln^2 N\right) \frac{dN}{N} \quad (3)$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(N) dN = 1 \quad (4)$$

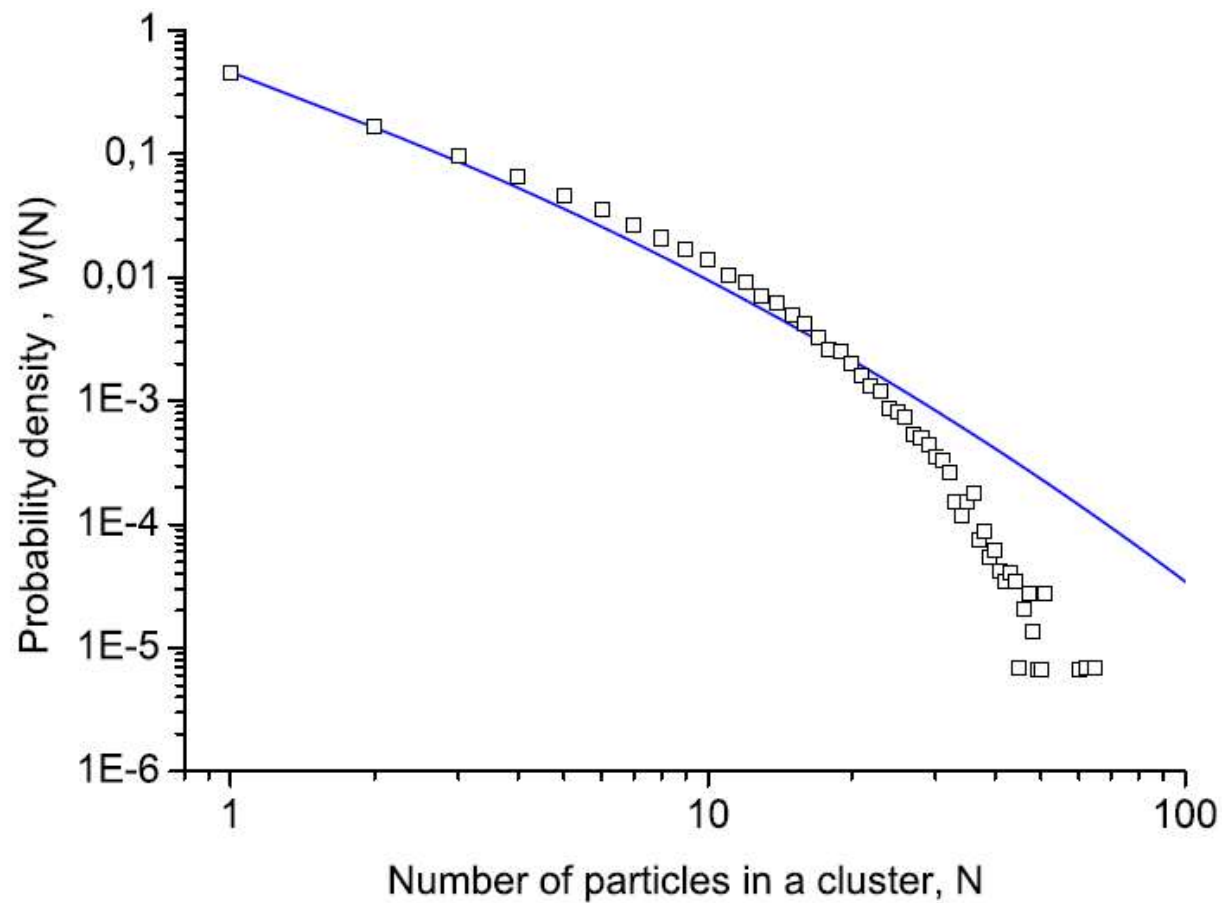
$$\bar{N} = \int_0^{\infty} N f(N) dN = \exp\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\right) \quad (5)$$

$$\overline{N^2} = \int_0^{\infty} N^2 f(N) dN = \exp(2\sigma^2) \quad (6)$$



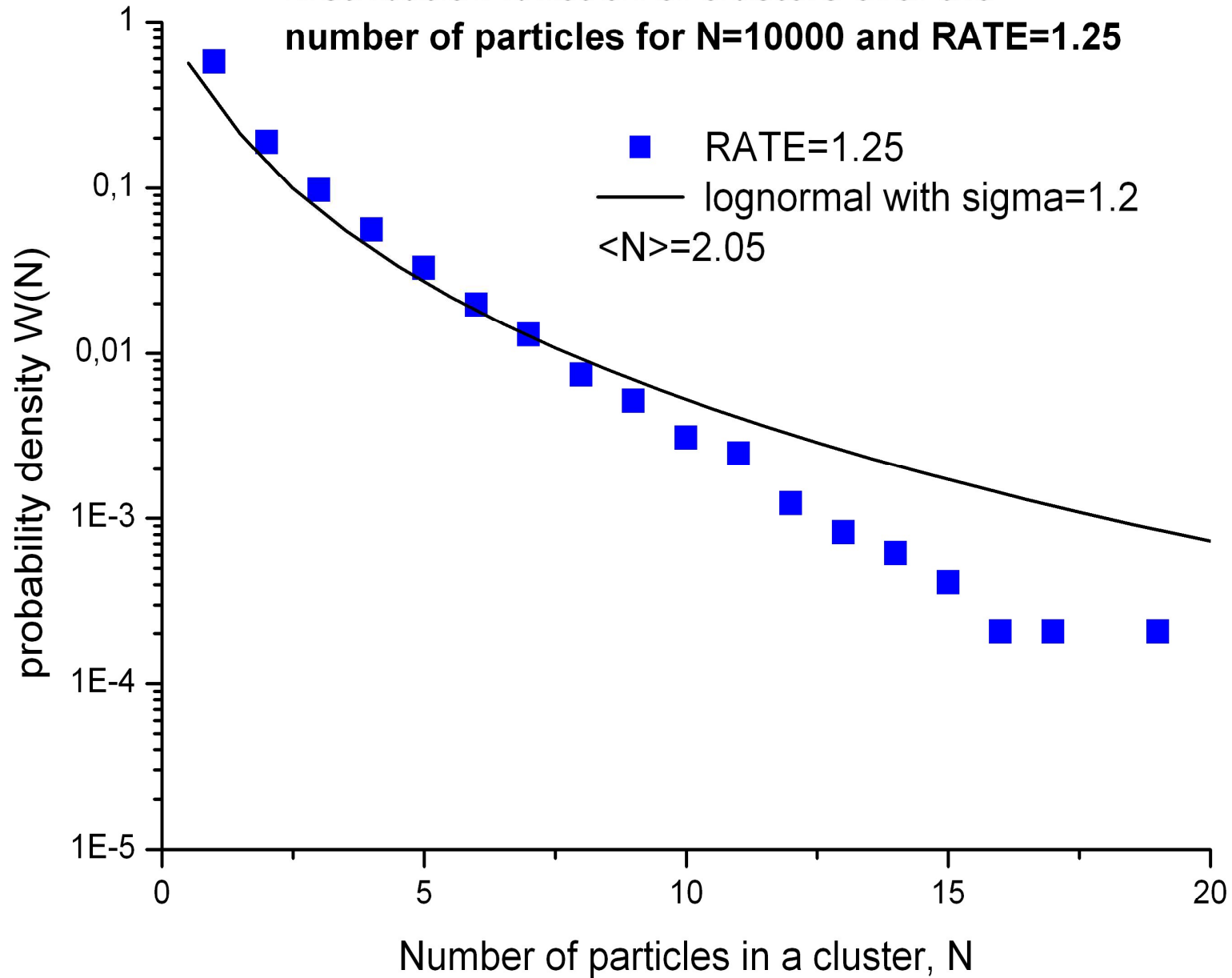


**Fig. 8** The distribution function of clusters over the number of particles  $W(N)$  for  $a = 2$  and  $N_0 = 10^4$  (squares); solid line is the log-normal distribution (8). In this example, the mean number of particles in a cluster is  $\bar{N} = 12.1$  and  $\sigma = 2.23$

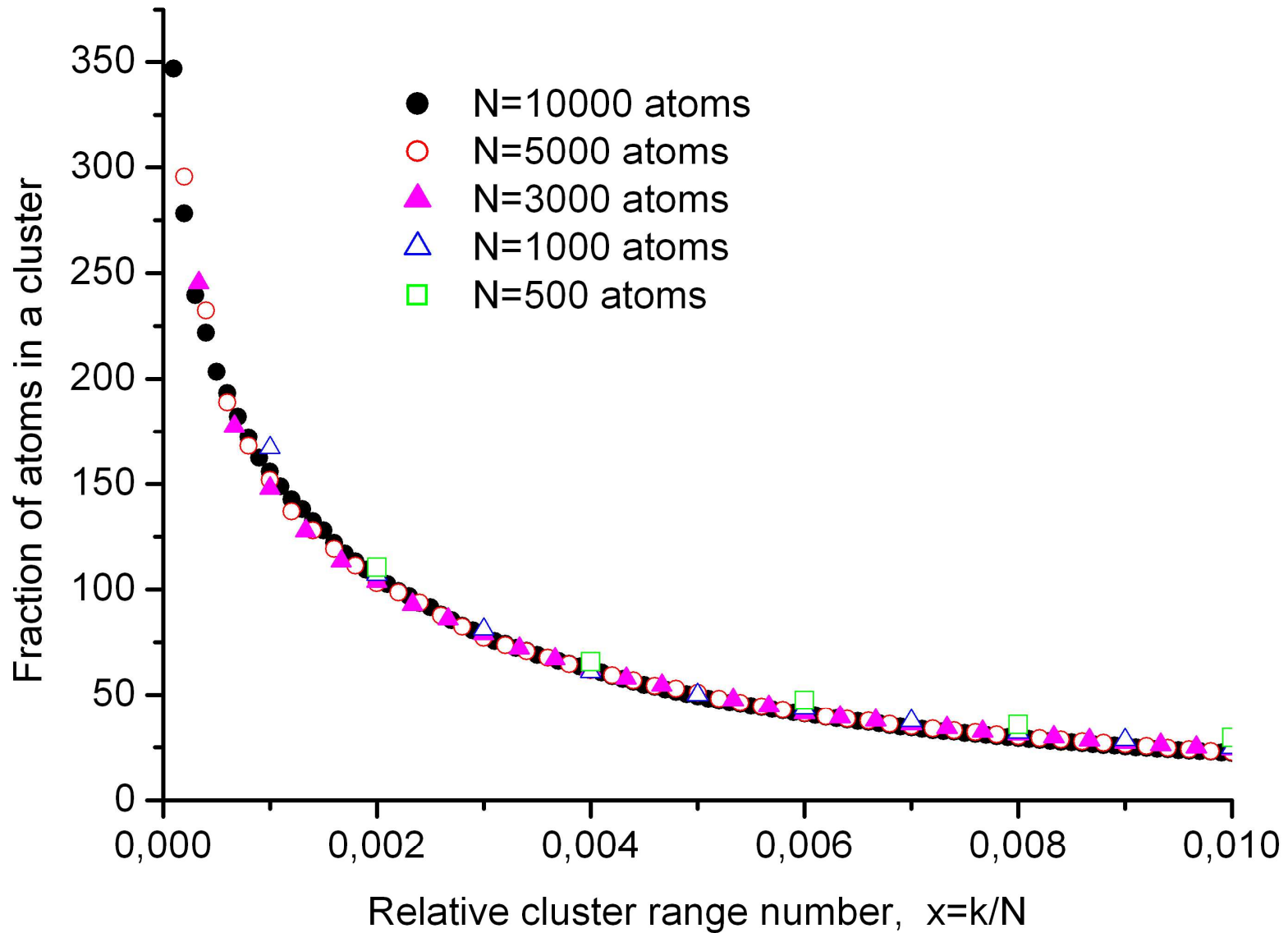


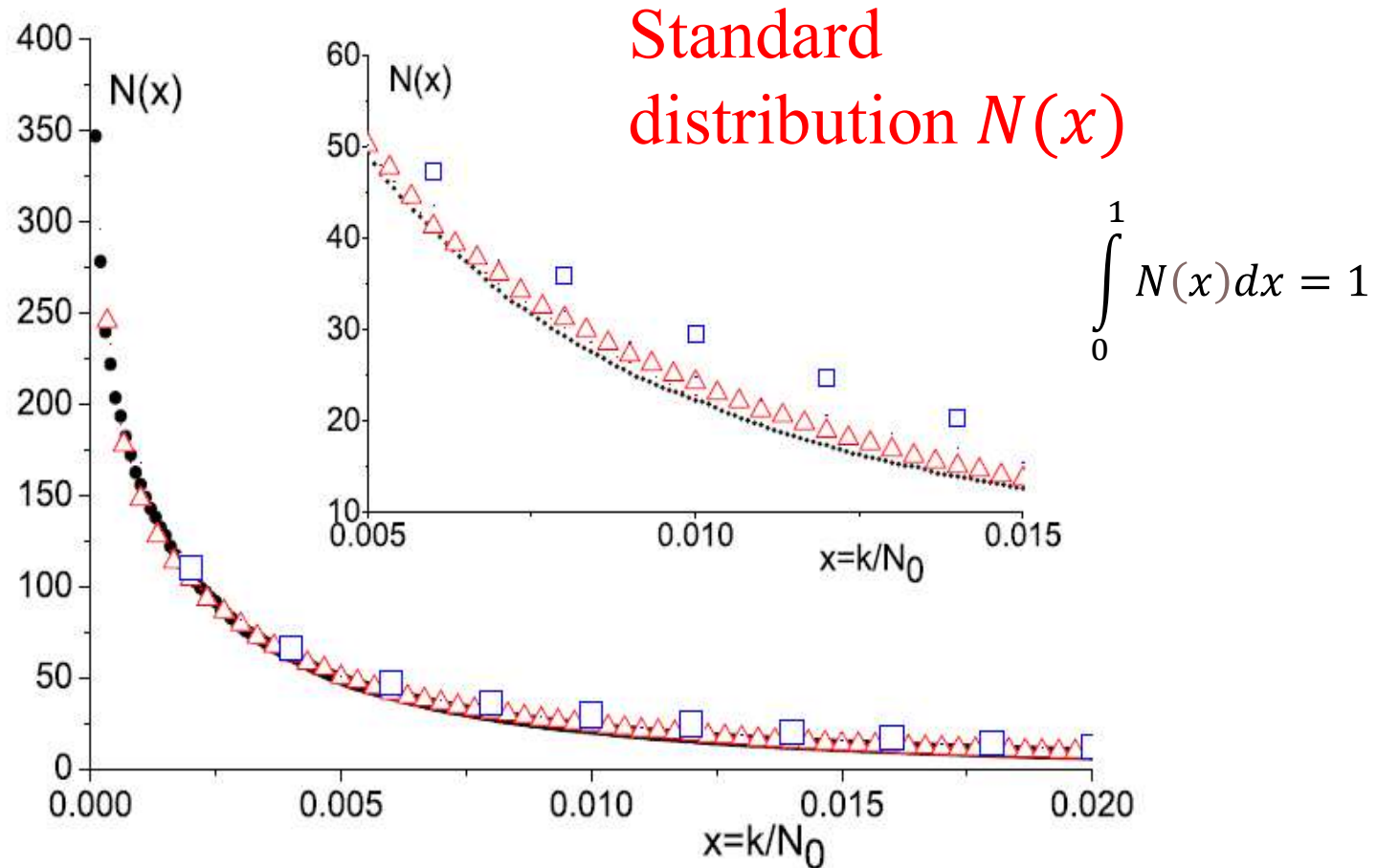
**Fig. 9** The same as Fig. 8 but for  $a = 1.5$ . The log-normal distribution (8) is shown by the full curve. In this case  $\bar{N} = 3.42$  and  $\sigma = 1.57$

Distribution function of clusters over the number of particles for  $N=10000$  and  $RATE=1.25$



**For relative cluster range number  $x = k / N$  distribution becomes independent on  $N$  and becomes universal depending only on one parameter RATE  $\Xi a = r_0/l$**





**Fig. 10** The distributions of particles over the clusters  $N(x)$  as a function of the continuous variable  $x = k/N_0$  (the cluster rating). Distributions correspond to the data shown in Fig. 3 for  $a = 2$  and different numbers of particles in the system  $N_0$ :  $N_0 = 10^4$  (dots);  $N_0 = 3000$  (triangles) and  $N_0 = 500$  (squares). The upper plot shows the function  $N(x)$  in the interval ,  $0.005 < x < 0.015$ , on an enlarged scale

$x$  is a relative ranked cluster number:  $0 < x < 1$

$N(x)$  is the mean number of particles in a cluster with ranked number  $k = N_0 x$

$$N(x) \rightarrow x(N)$$

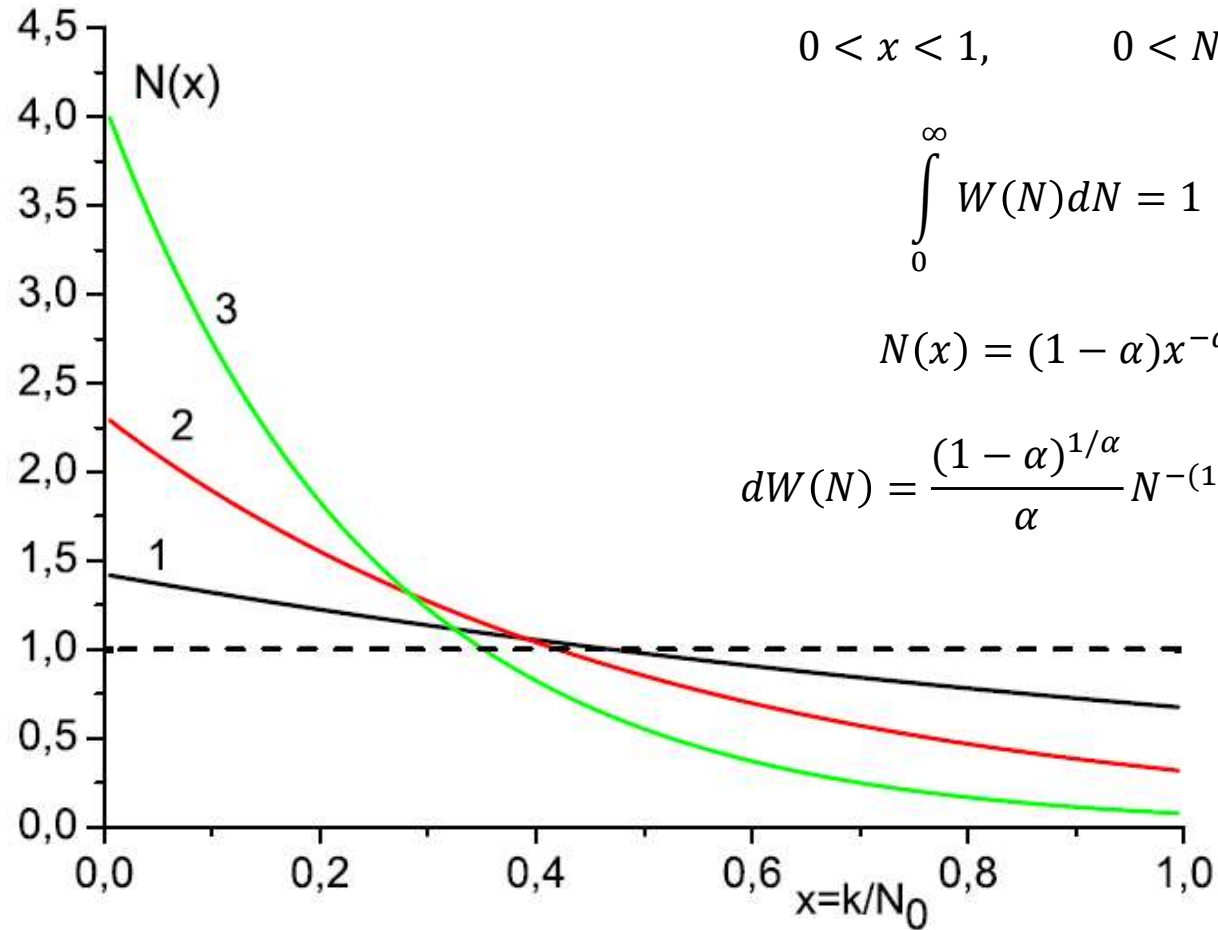
$$W(N) = \left| \frac{dx(N)}{dN} \right|$$

$$0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < N < \infty$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} W(N) dN = 1$$

$$N(x) = (1 - \alpha)x^{-\alpha}$$

$$dW(N) = \frac{(1 - \alpha)^{1/\alpha}}{\alpha} N^{-(1+\alpha)/\alpha} dN$$



**Fig. 11** Illustration of the behavior of the distribution function  $N(x)$  for different values of the interaction parameter  $a$ . The dashed line refers to the system consisting of single particles only ( $a = 0$ ). Lines 1, 2 and 3 correspond to the increase of the parameter  $a$ :  $a_3 > a_2 > a_1$



## Standard distribution $N(x)$

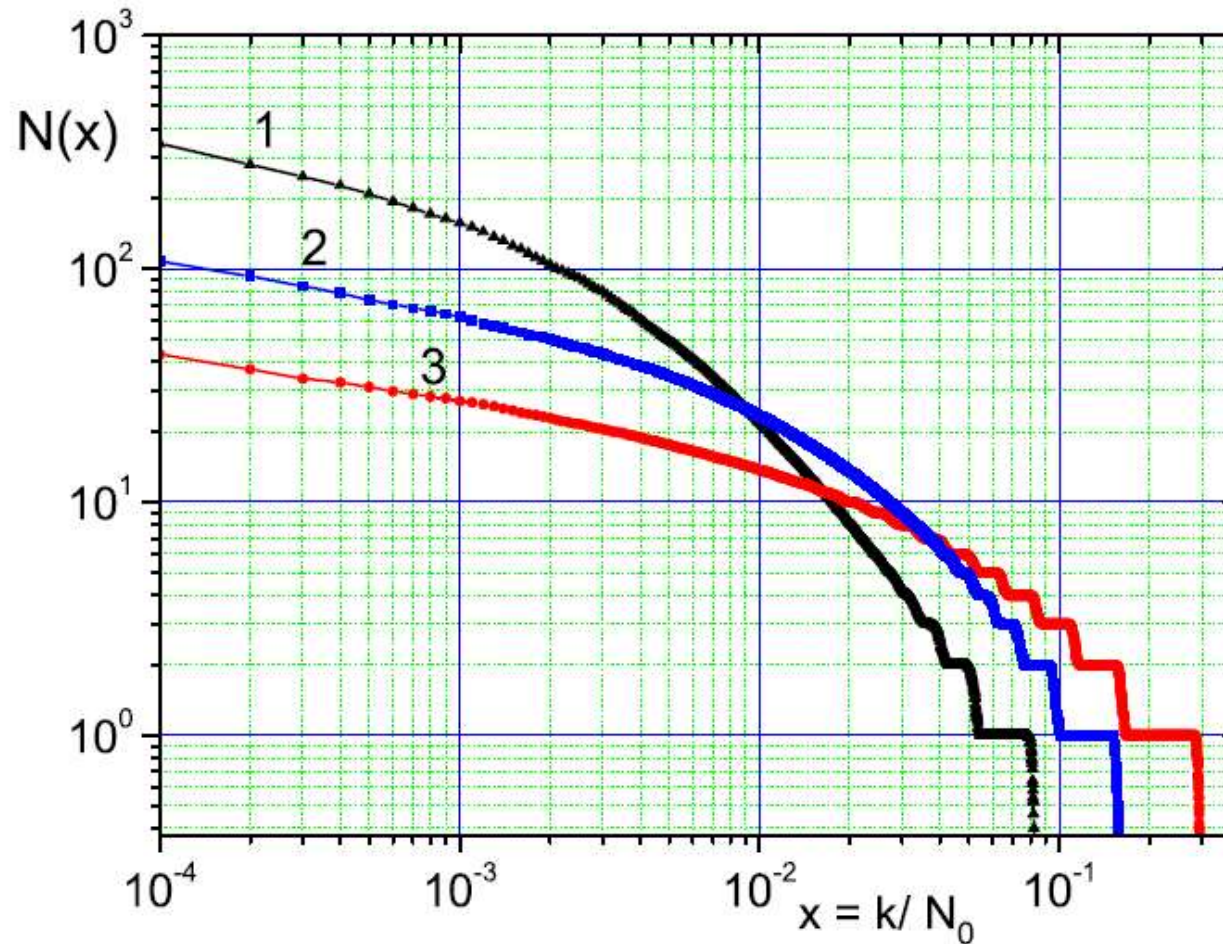


Fig. 12 Distribution functions  $N(x)$  for different values of the interaction parameter  $a$ :  $a = 2$  (curve 1),  $a = 1.75$  (curve 2) and  $a = 1.5$  (curve 3)

## Standard distribution $N(x)$

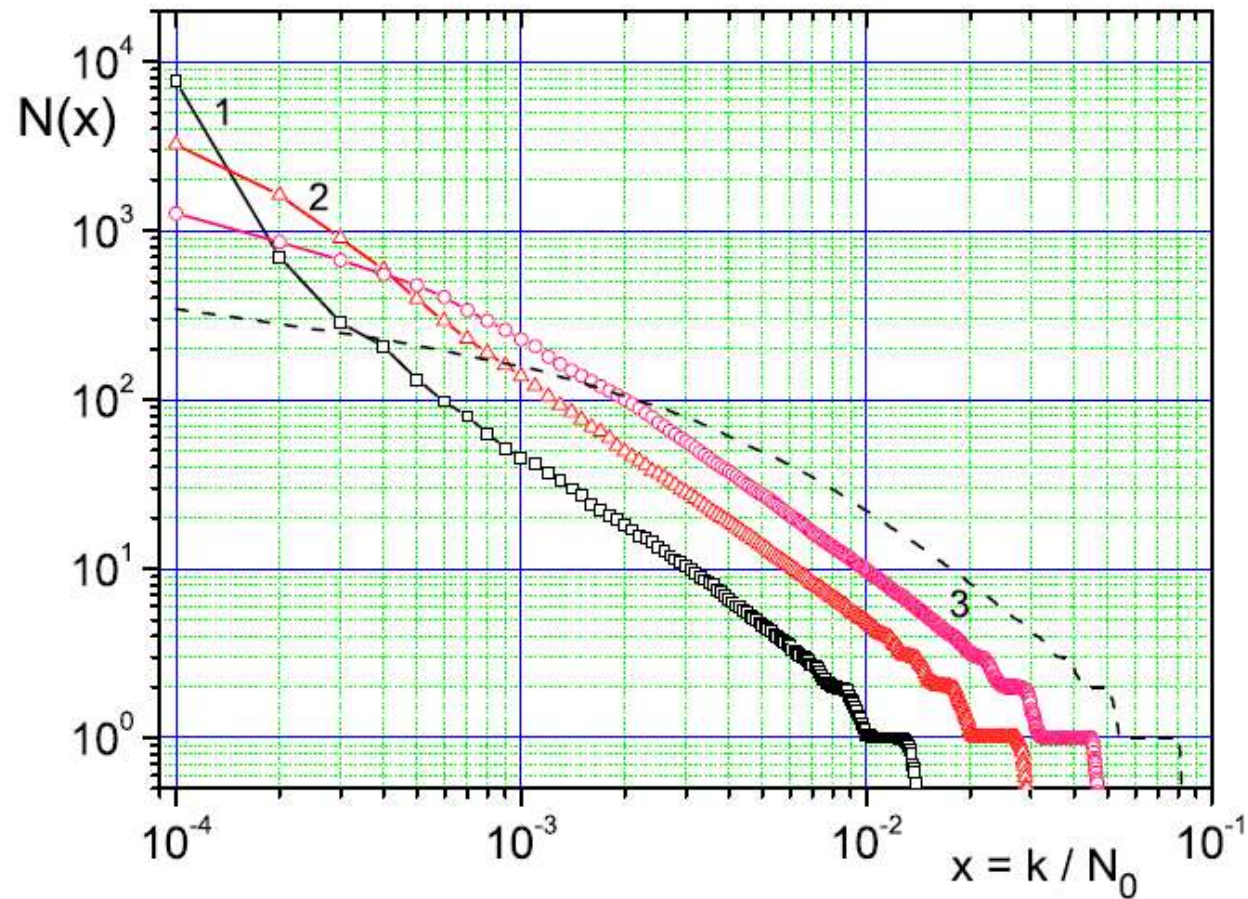
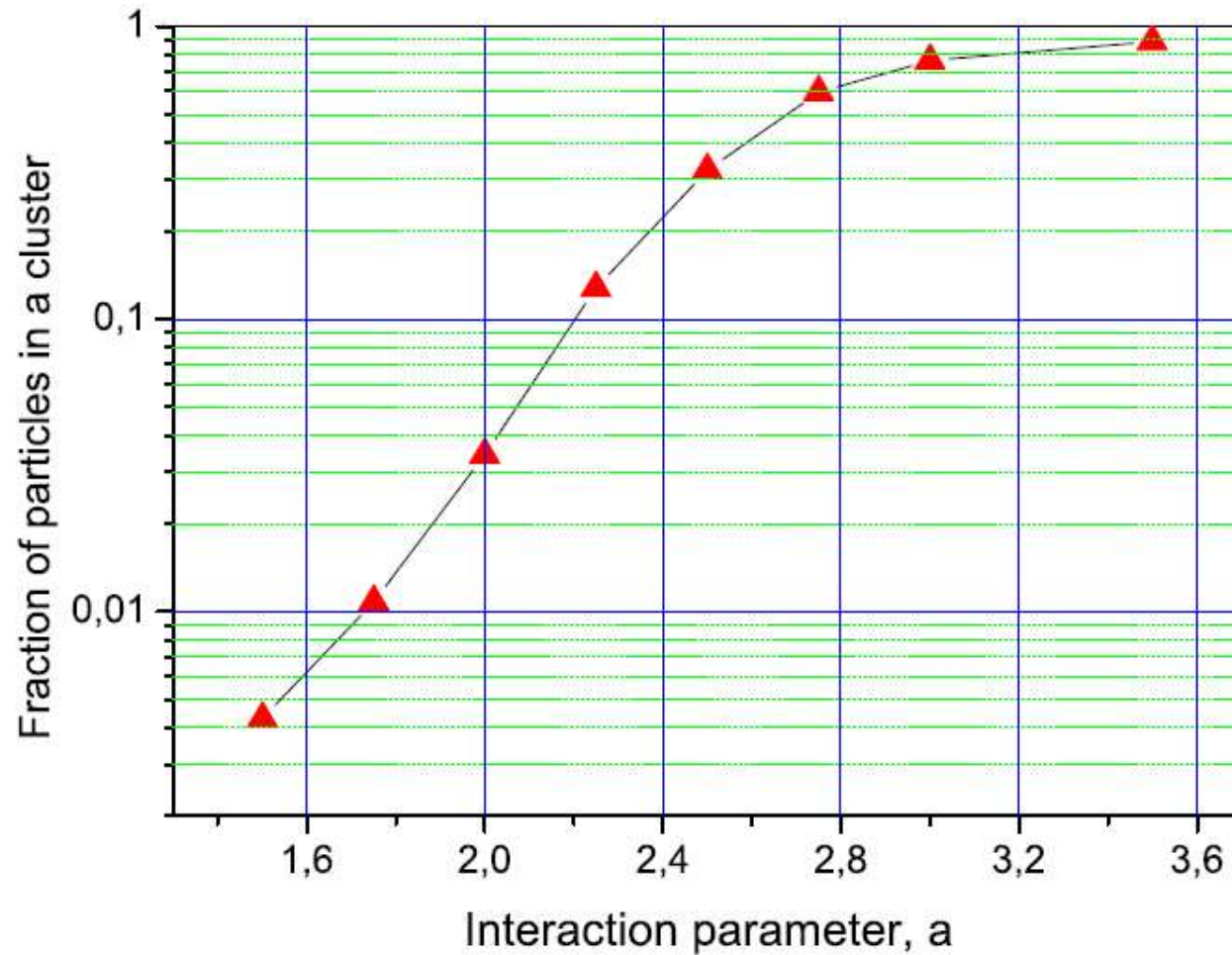


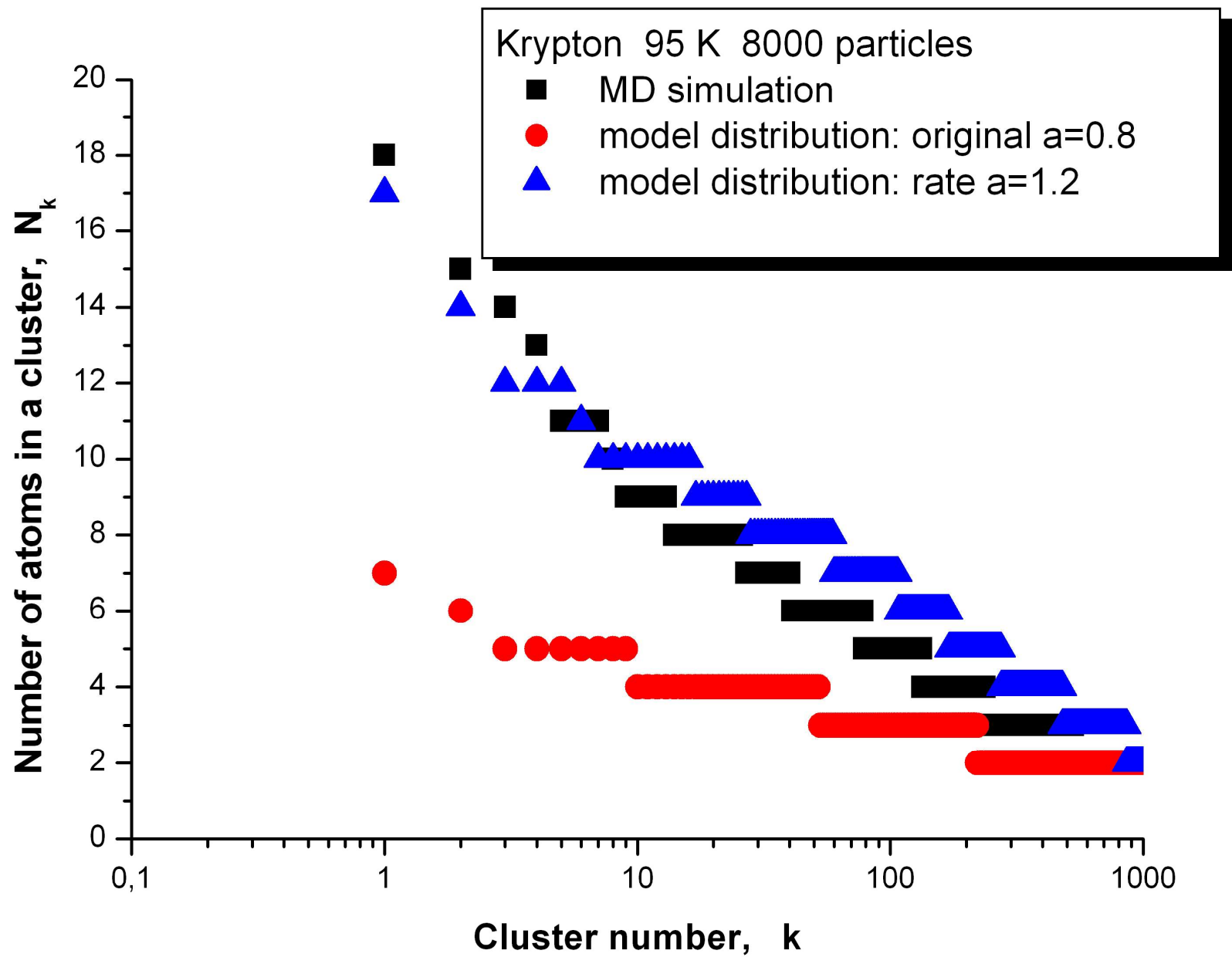
Fig. 13 The same as Fig. 12 but for:  $a = 3$  (curve 1, squares),  $a = 2.5$  (curve 2, triangles),  $a = 2.25$  (curve 3, circles) and  $a = 2$  (dashed line)



## Fraction of particles in a largest cluster



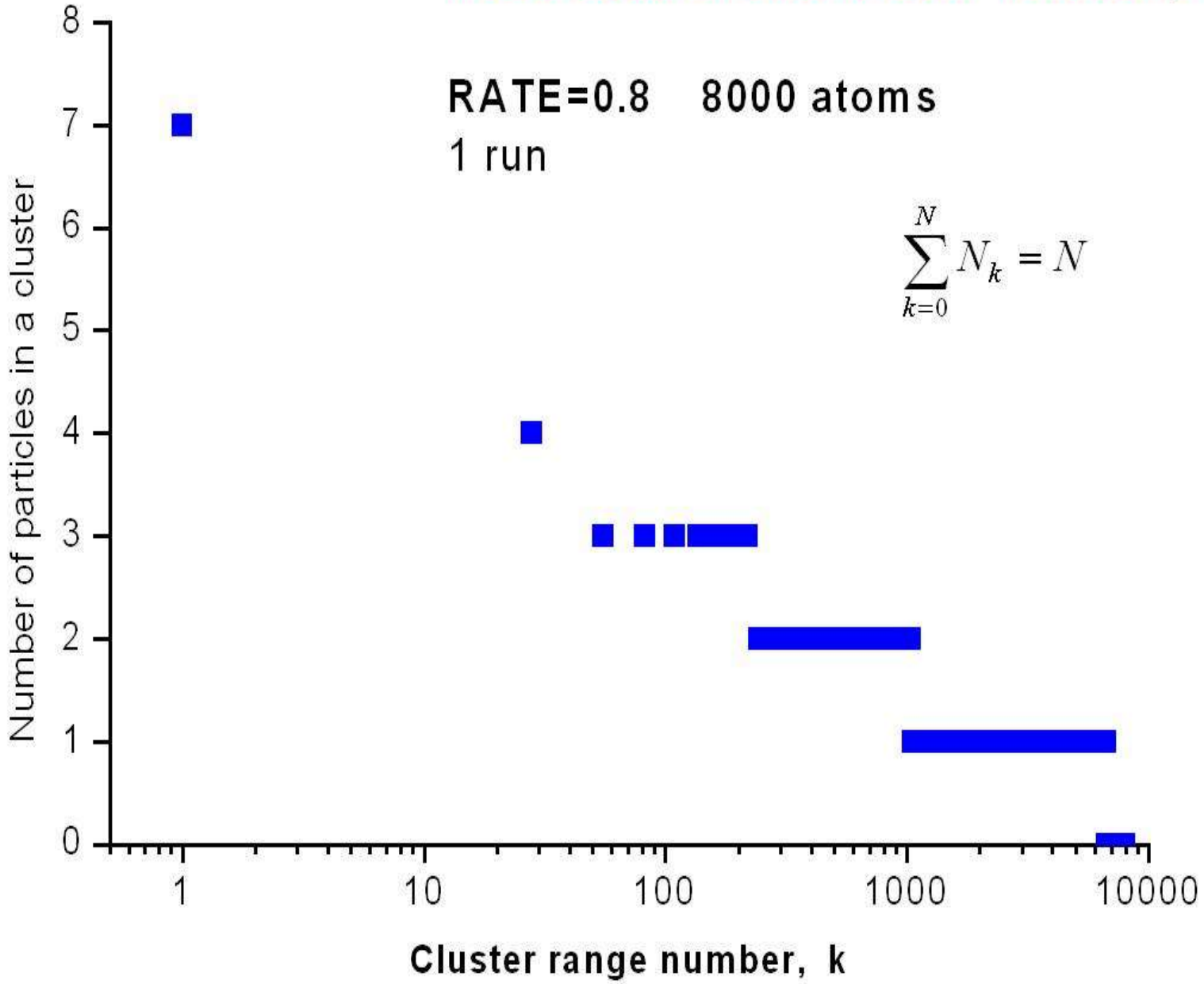
**Fig. 14** The fraction of particles contained in the cluster of the largest size, depending on the interaction parameter  $a$



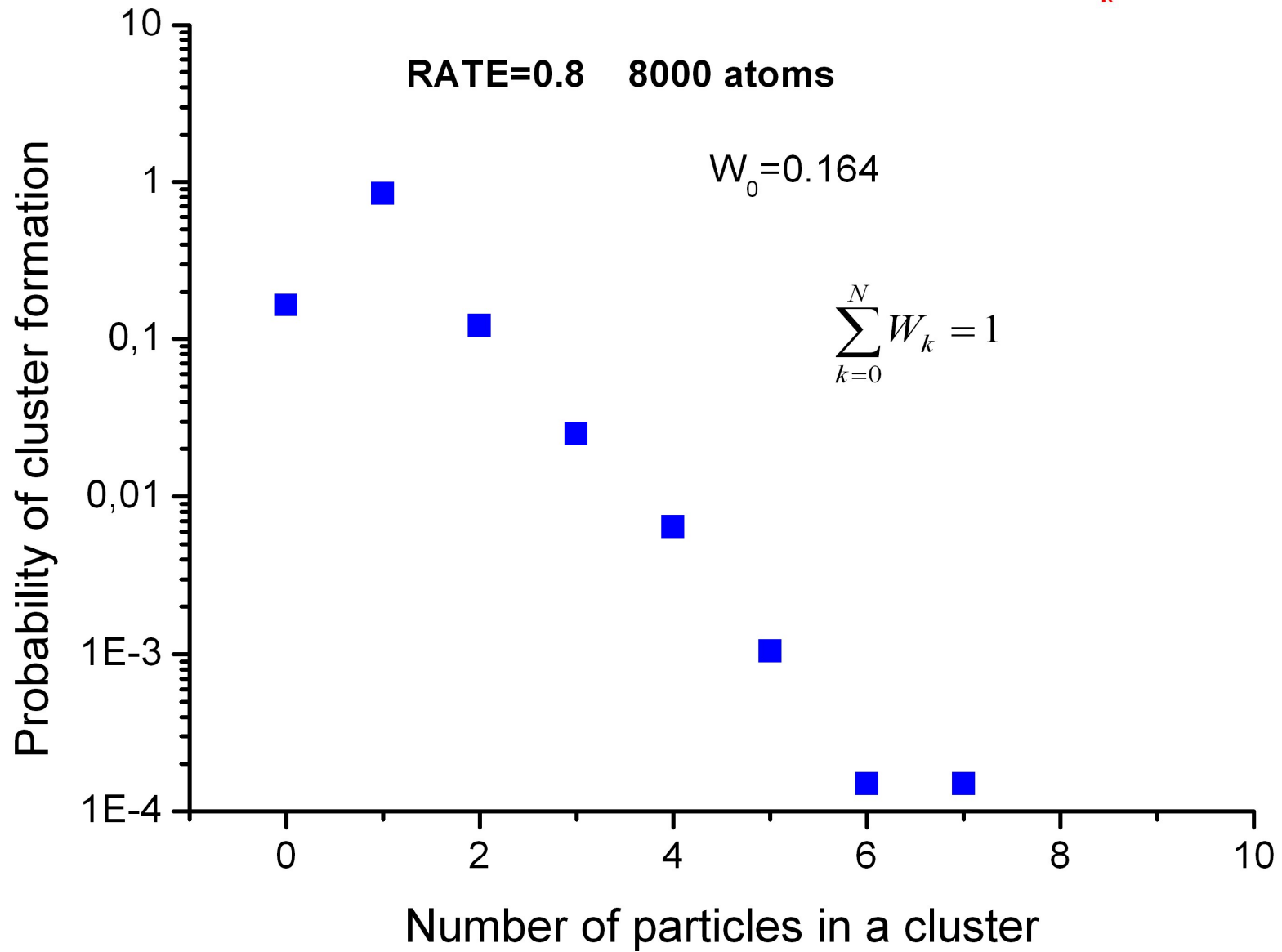
Model cluster distribution function,  $N_k$

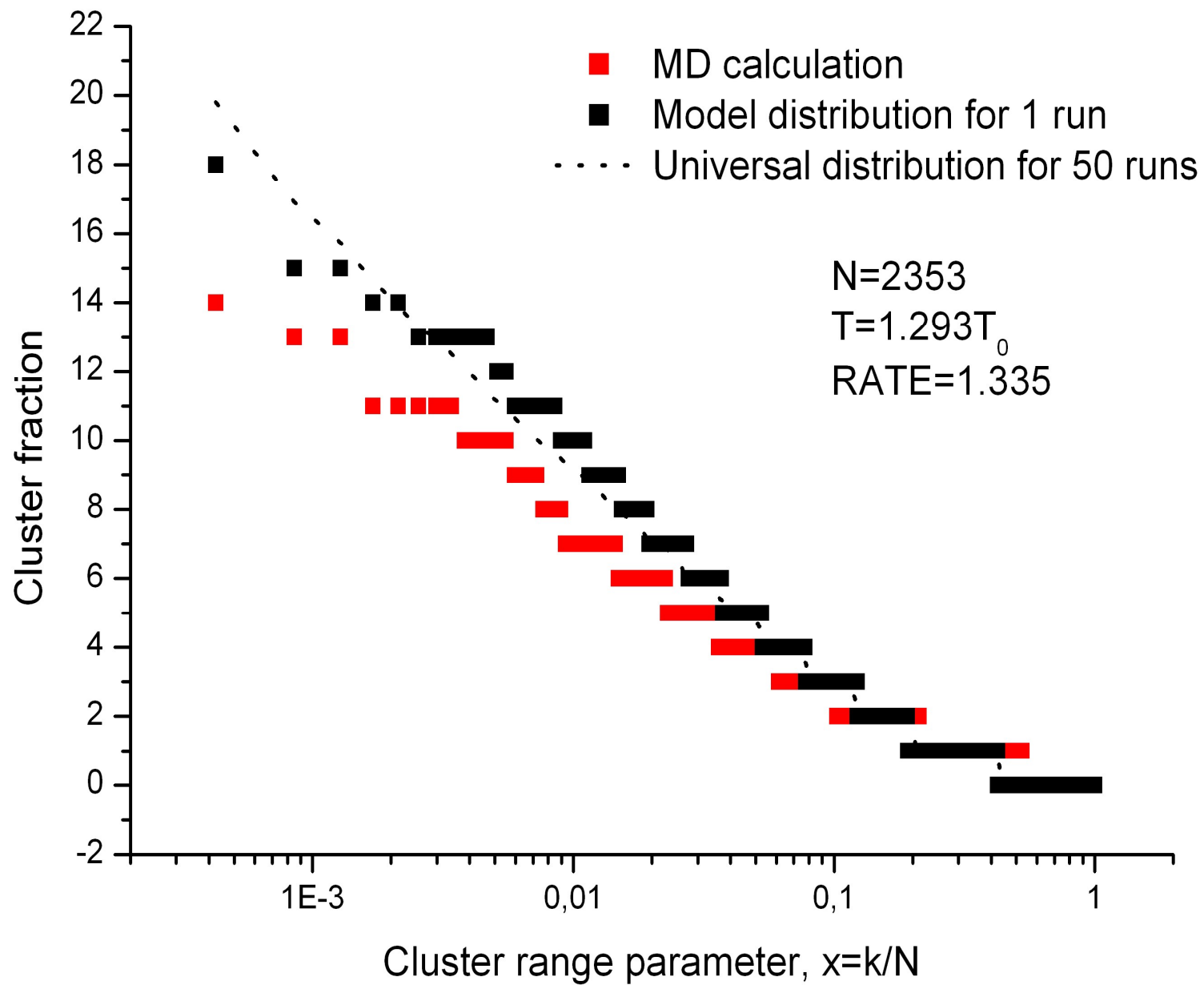
RATE=0.8 8000 atoms  
1 run

$$\sum_{k=0}^N N_k = N$$



**Model cluster distribution function,  $W_k$**





# Conclusions

- The one parameter standard cluster distribution exists which properly reflects the realistic conditions

