

Indicators of quantum chaos and the transition from few- to many-body systems



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Plan

➤ Indicators of Quantum Chaos:

STATIC

- Eigenvalues
- Eigenstates
- Observables

FROM FEW- TO MANY-BODY

DYNAMICS

- OTOC
- Correlation hole

Thermalization, many-body localization, scrambling of quantum information, many-body quantum scars, quantum-classical correspondence

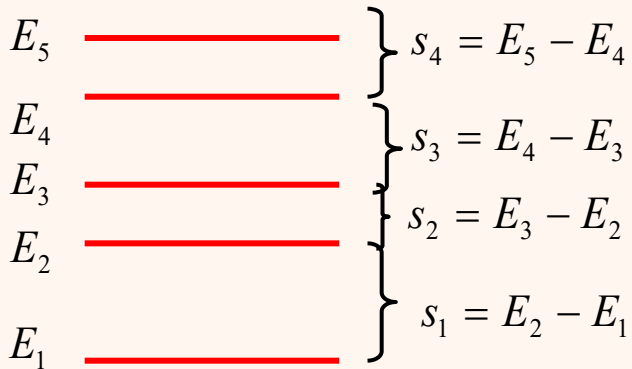
From few- to many-body quantum systems
M. Schiulaz, M. Távora, LFS
Quantum Sci. Technol. **3**, 044006 (2018)

How many particles make up a chaotic many-body quantum system?
G. Zisling, LFS, Y. Bar Lev
arXiv:2012.14436

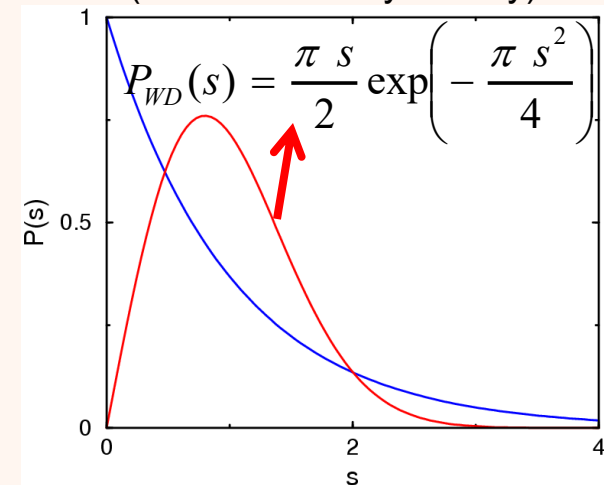
Level Statistics

Full random matrices from the GOE: real and symmetric
(Wigner in the 50's to describe statistically the spectra of heavy nuclei)

Level spacing distribution



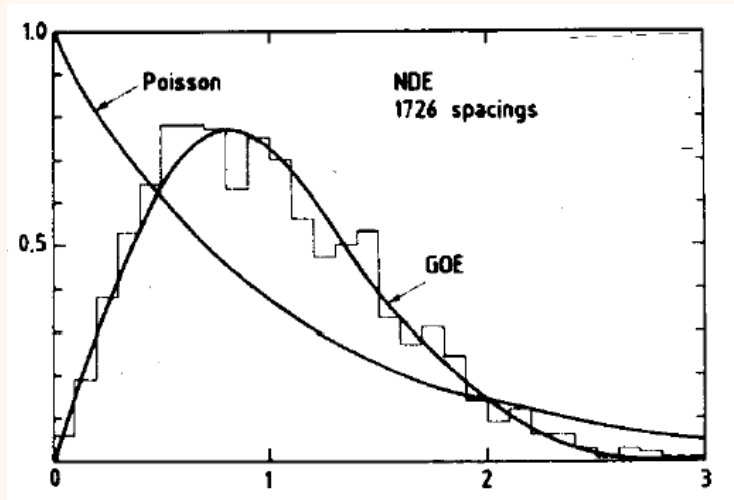
Wigner-Dyson distribution
(time reversal symmetry)



Eigenvalues are correlated
Level repulsion
Rigid spectrum

Level Spacing Distribution and Nuclei

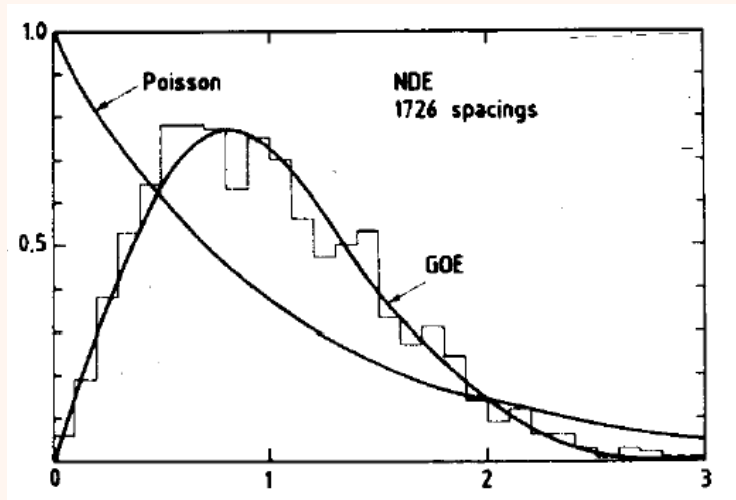
Nearest neighbor spacing distribution for the “**Nuclear Data Ensemble**” comprising 1726 spacings $s = S/D$ with D the mean level spacing and S the actual spacing.



Bohigas, Haq and Pandey (1983)
Nuclear Data for Science and Technology

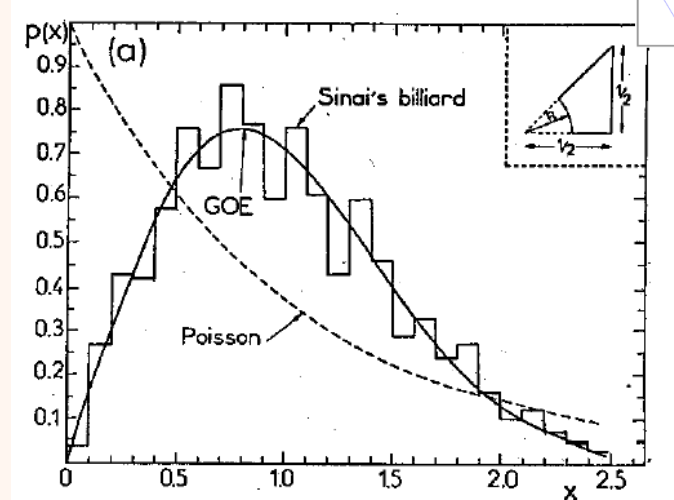
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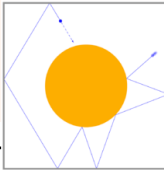
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The nearest neighbor spacing distribution versus s for the **quantum Sinai billiard**. The histogram comprises about 1000 consecutive eigenvalues.



Classical chaos – Level Statistics
Quantum chaos = signatures of chaos

Correspondence established – few degrees of freedom



1D Spin-1/2 Systems

Integrable system:

XXZ model

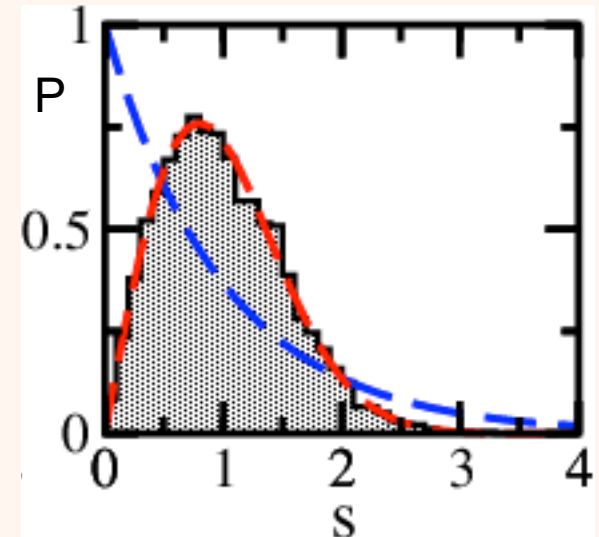
$$H = \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y)$$

Interaction between next-nearest neighbors

$$H_{NN} + H_{NNN} = \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y) + \lambda \sum_{n=1}^{L-2} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+2}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+2}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+2}^y)$$

Many-body localization

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L \frac{\varepsilon_n}{2} \sigma_n^z + \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y)$$



Wigner-Dyson Distribution and Integrability

- We can construct integrable Hamiltonians with WD distribution

Relaño, Dukelsky, Gómez, Retamosa
PRE **70**, 026208 (2004)

- Finite-size effect: Localization length is larger than the system size

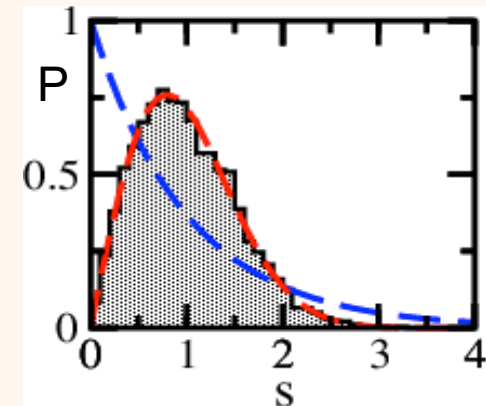
1D Anderson model

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L \epsilon_n c_n^\dagger c_n - J \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} (c_n^\dagger c_{n+1} + c_{n+1}^\dagger c_n)$$

1D Aubry-André model

$$H = \sum_{j=1}^L h \cos[(\sqrt{5} - 1)\pi j + \phi] c_j^\dagger c_j - J \sum_{j=1}^{L-1} (c_j^\dagger c_{j+1} + c_{j+1}^\dagger c_j)$$

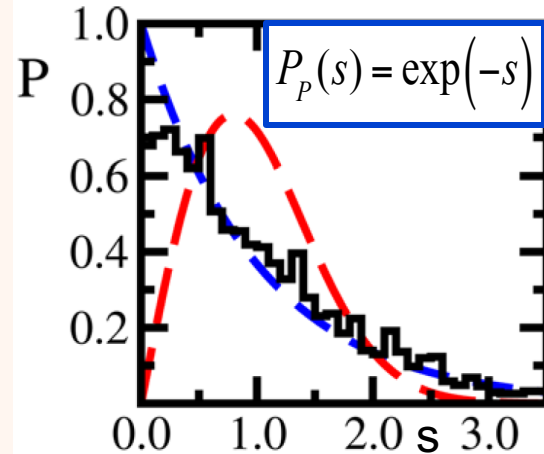
Tight-binding models



Poisson distribution

➤ **Chaotic** models but mixed symmetries:

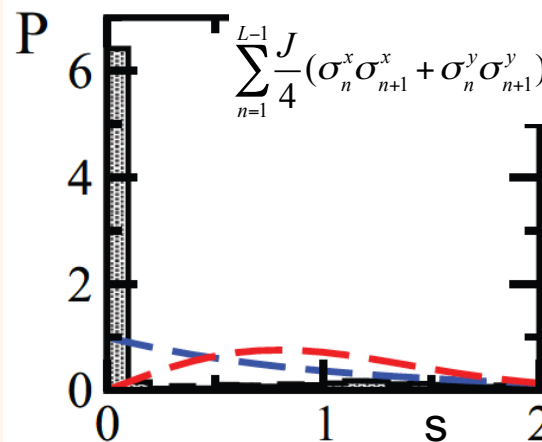
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AJP80, 246 (2012)

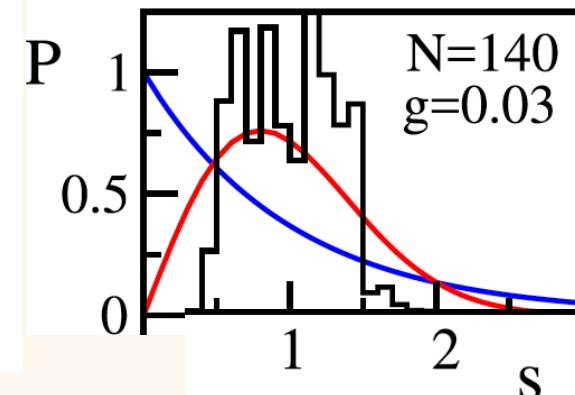
Integrable models:

- Degeneracies
- Picket-fence spectrum



PRE88, 032913 (2013)

NJP20, 113039 (2018)



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1D Spin-1/2 Systems

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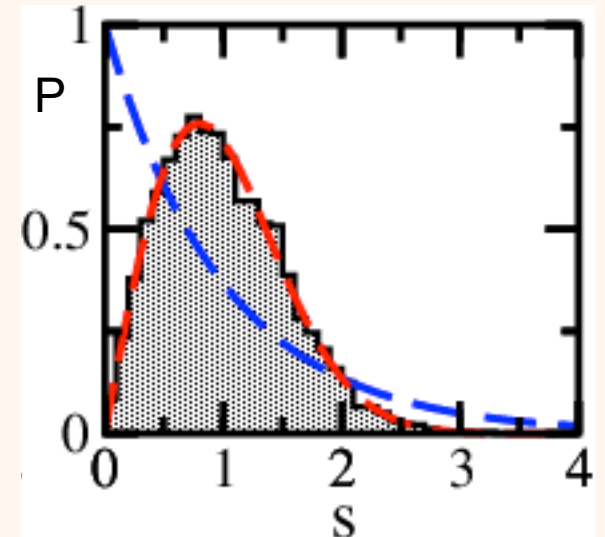
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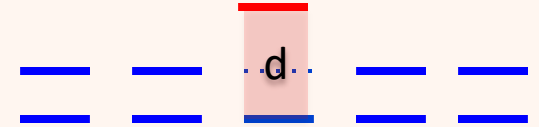
Many-body localization

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Speck of Chaos

$$H_{one} = \frac{d_{L/2}}{2} \sigma_{L/2}^z + \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y + \Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z)$$



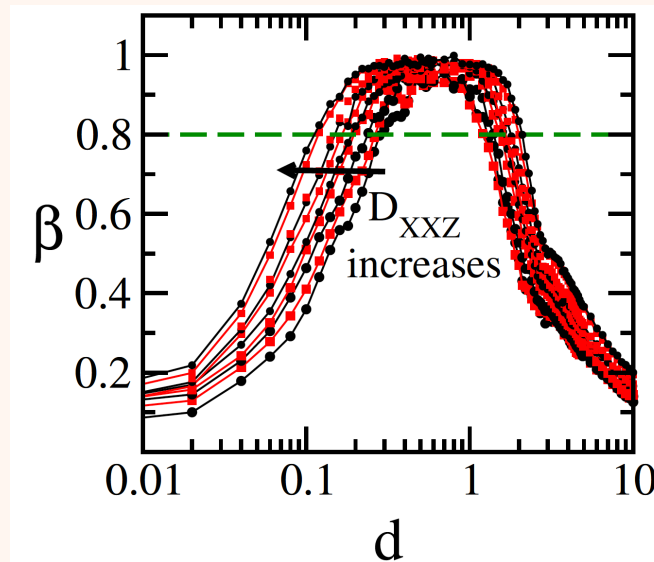
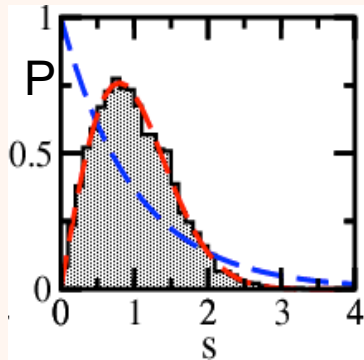
LFS,
JPA 37, 4723 (2004)

(local perturbation)

Gubin & LFS
AJP 80, 246 (2012)

$\beta \sim 1$ chaos

$$P_{WD}(s) = \frac{\pi s}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{\pi s^2}{4}\right)$$



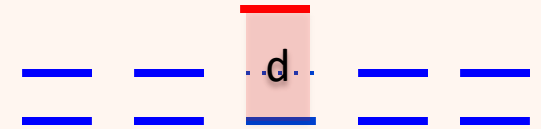
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Chaos: Level statistics, chaotic eigenstates,
diagonal and off-diagonal elements of O
Chaos is the mechanism for **thermalization**
Chaos is the condition for the validity of ETH

Ballistic quantum transport



LFS,
JPA **37**, 4723 (2004)

Torres & LFS
PRE **89**, 062110 (2014)

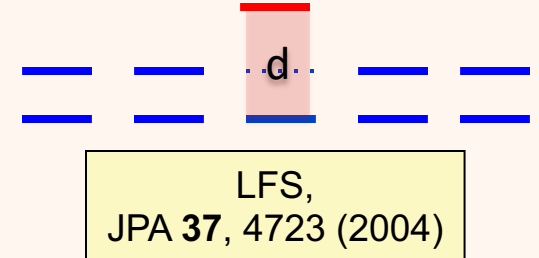
Brenes, Mascarenhas,
Rigol & Goold
PRB **98**, 235128 (2018)

M. Znidaric
PRL **125**, 180605 (2020)

Speck of Chaos
PRR **2**, 043034 (2020)
LFS, Bernal, Torres

Speck of Chaos

$$H_{XXZ} = d_{L/2} S_{L/2}^z + J \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} (S_n^x S_{n+1}^x + S_n^y S_{n+1}^y + \Delta S_n^z S_{n+1}^z)$$



$$H_{ZZ} = d_{L/2} S_{L/2}^z + J h_x \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} S_n^x - J \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} S_n^z S_{n+1}^z$$

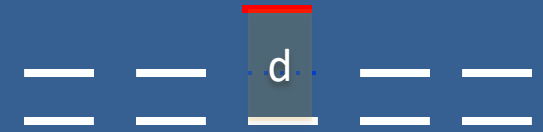
Ising model in a transverse field
Spin-1/2

$$H_{S1} = d_{L/2} S_{L/2}^z + J \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} (S_n^x S_{n+1}^x + S_n^y S_{n+1}^y + S_n^z S_{n+1}^z) + J \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} ((S_n^x S_{n+1}^x)^2 + (S_n^y S_{n+1}^y)^2 + (S_n^z S_{n+1}^z)^2)$$

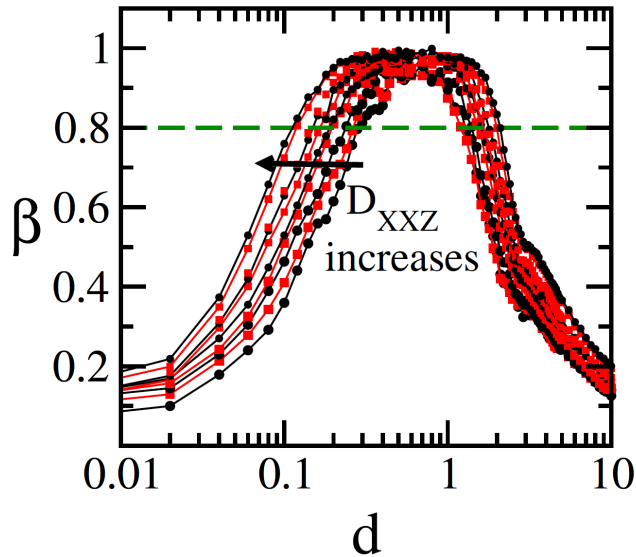
Lai-Sutherland model
Spin-1

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PRR 2, 043034 (2020)
LFS, Bernal, Torres

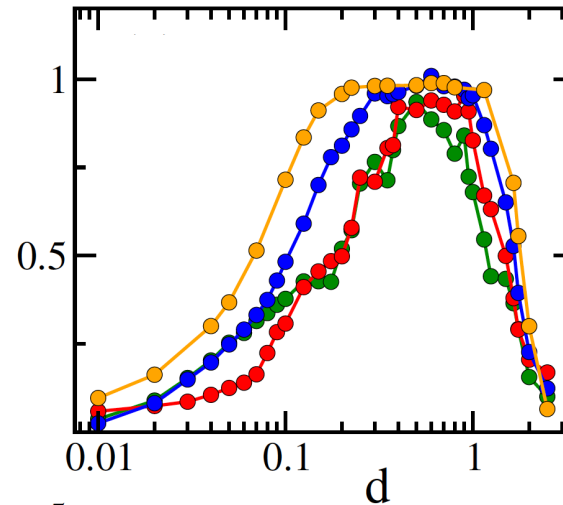
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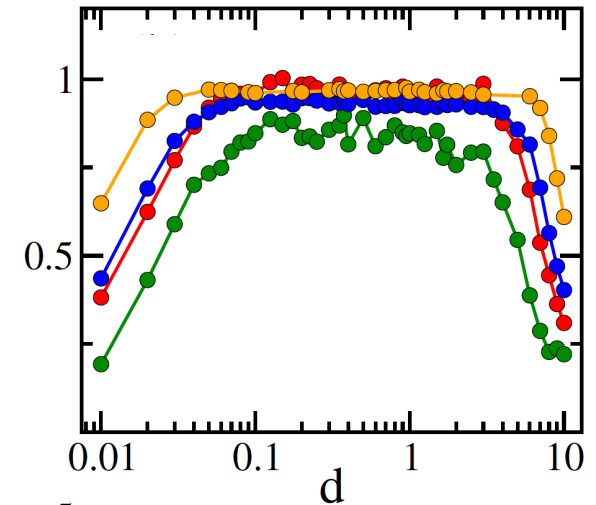
XXZ + defect
Spin-1/2



Ising + defect
in a transverse field
Spin-1/2

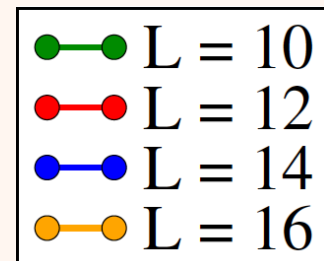


Lai-Sutherland + defect
Spin-1



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Speck of Chaos
PRR 2, 043034 (2020)
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Hamiltonian matrix: Spin-1/2 model NN couplings

	110000	101000	100100	100010	100001	011000	010100	010010	010001	001100	001010	001001	000110	000101	000011
110000	H_{11}	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
101000	$J/2$	H_{22}	$J/2$	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100100	0	$J/2$	H_{33}	$J/2$	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100010	0	0	$J/2$	H_{44}	$J/2$	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100001	0	0	0	$J/2$	H_{55}	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0	0
011000	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	H_{66}	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
010100	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	$J/2$	H_{77}	$J/2$	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	0	0
010010	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	$J/2$	H_{88}	$J/2$	0	$J/2$	0	0	0	0
010001	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	$J/2$	H_{99}	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	0
001100	0	0	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	0	H_{1010}	$J/2$	0	0	0	0
001010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	$J/2$	H_{1111}	$J/2$	$J/2$	0	0
001001	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	$J/2$	H_{1212}	0	$J/2$	0
000110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	0	H_{1313}	$J/2$	0
000101	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	$J/2$	H_{1414}	$J/2$
000011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$J/2$	H_{1515}

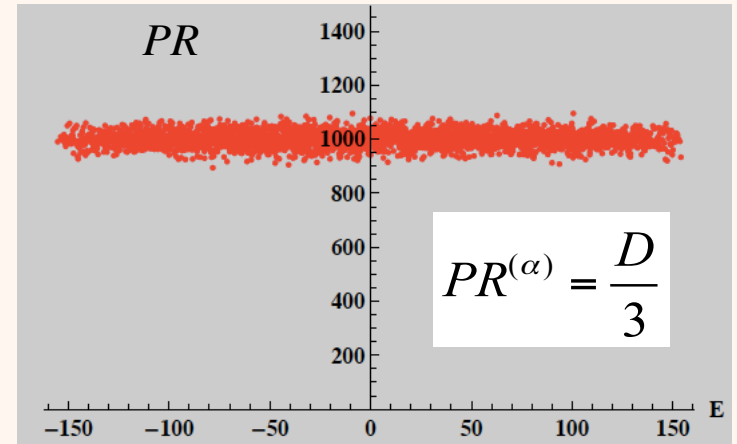
Eigenstates

Eigenstates of full random matrices are random vectors

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_{n=1}^D C_n^\alpha |n\rangle$$

$$PR^{(\alpha)} \equiv \frac{1}{\sum_{n=1}^D |C_n^{(\alpha)}|^4}$$

$$|\alpha\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \\ c_5 \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$



Quantum chaos and thermalization in isolated systems of interacting particles

Borgonovi, Izrailev, LFS, Zelevinsky

Physics Reports **626**, 1 (2016)

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 PRL **108**, 094102 (2012)
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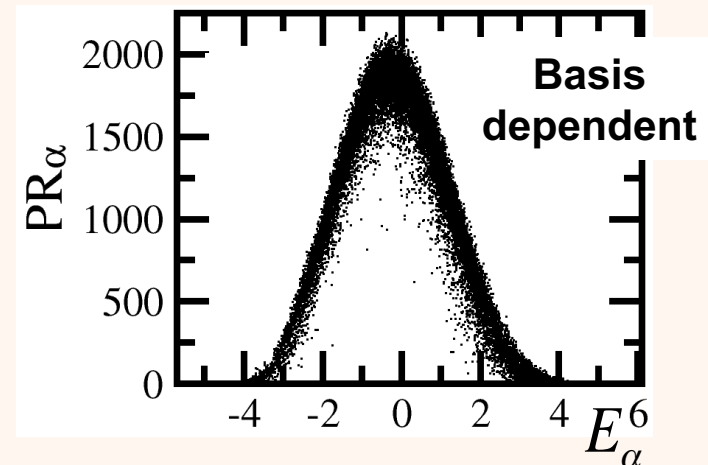
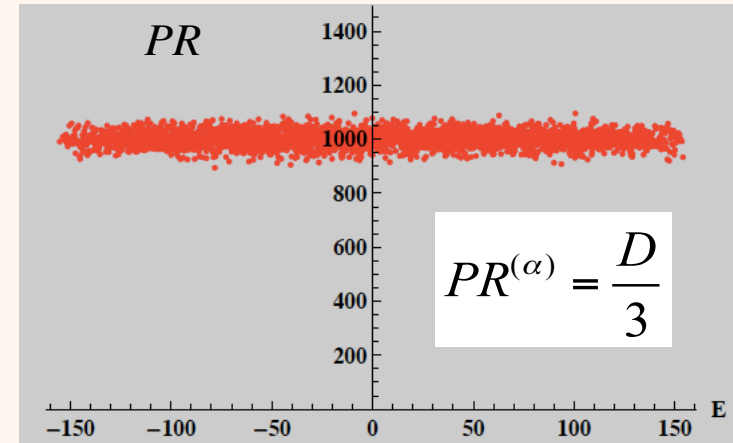
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(mean-field basis)

$$H_{NN} + H_{NNN} =$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y) +$$

$$+ \lambda \sum_{n=1}^{L-2} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+2}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+2}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+2}^y)$$



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Structure of Initial State

LFS, Borgonovi, Izrailev
 PRL **108**, 094102 (2012)
 PRE **85**, 036209 (2012)
 Torres, Vyas, LFS
 NJP16, 063010 (2014)

Perturbed Hamiltonian Unperturbed Hamiltonian Perturbation

$$H = H_0 + \lambda V$$

Energy Eigenbasis $|\alpha\rangle$

$$|\Psi(0)\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} C_{\alpha}^{ini} |\alpha\rangle$$

Chaotic Hamiltonian/
 Chaotic Eigenstates

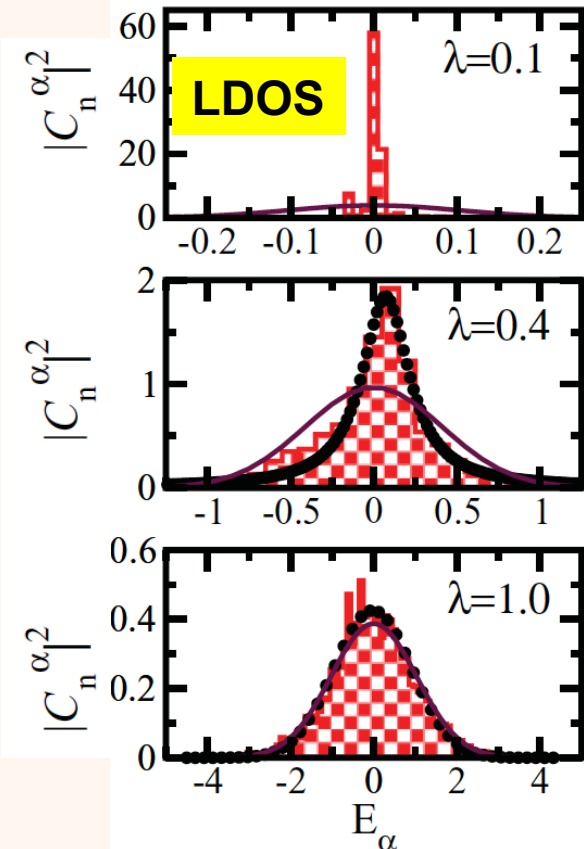
Strong Perturbation

Middle of the Spectrum

$$E_{ini} = \langle \Psi(0) | H | \Psi(0) \rangle \sim 0$$

$$|\Psi(0)\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \\ C_3 \\ C_4 \\ C_5 \\ \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{ini}(E) = \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 \delta(E - E_{\alpha})$$



Uncorrelated components

Thermalization

$$\langle O(t) \rangle = \langle \Psi(t) | O | \Psi(t) \rangle = \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} C_{\beta}^{ini*} C_{\alpha}^{ini} e^{i(E_{\beta} - E_{\alpha})t} O_{\beta\alpha} + \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 O_{\alpha\alpha}$$

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From quantum chaos and eigenstate thermalization to statistical mechanics and thermodynamics,

L. D'Alessio, Y. Kafri, A. Polkovnikov, and M. Rigol,

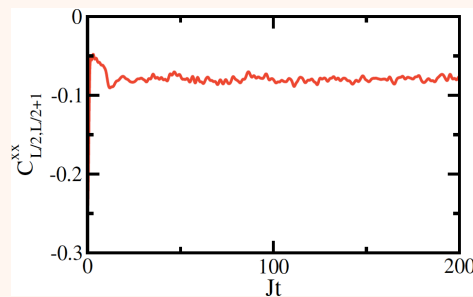
Adv. Phys. **65**, 239 (2016)

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Equilibration:

Components are small and **uncorrelated**

Lack of degeneracies: eigenvalues are **correlated**

Off-diagonal elements of local observables are small

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Infinite time average

Thermodynamic average

$$\overline{\langle O(t) \rangle} \equiv \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 O_{\alpha\alpha} \overset{=?}{\longleftrightarrow} O_{micro} \equiv \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}_{E_0, \Delta E}} \sum_{\alpha} O_{\alpha\alpha}$$

$\langle \alpha | O | \alpha \rangle$

depends on the initial conditions

depends only on the energy

ETH: the expectation values $O_{\alpha\alpha}$ of few-body observables do not fluctuate for eigenstates close in energy

**Chaos
guarantees
thermalization, ETH**

Chaotic states

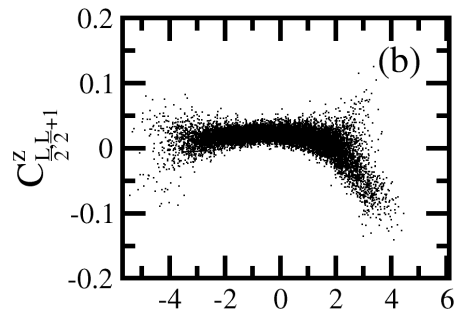
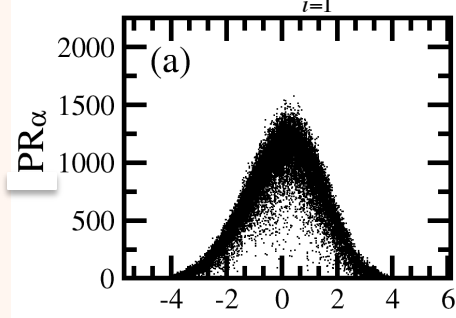
Peres Lattice

PRL 53, 1711 (1984)

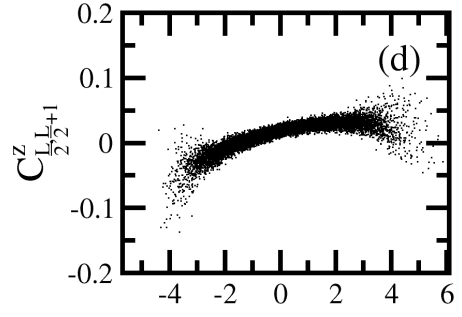
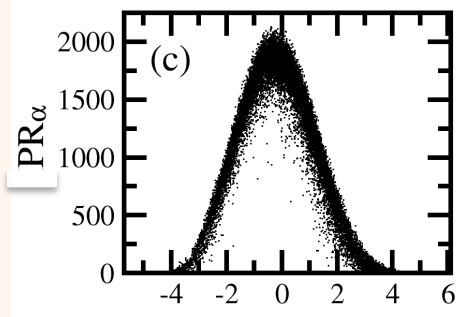
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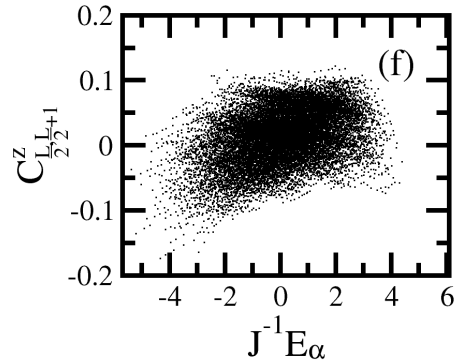
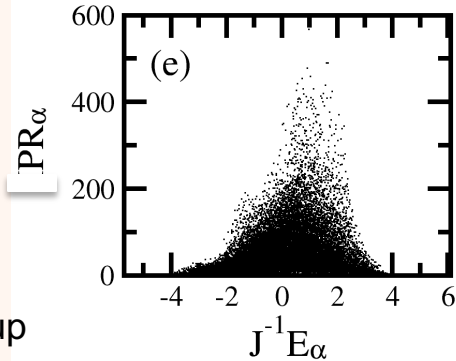
Chaotic
Single-
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Model



Chaotic
NNN
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Integrable
XXZ
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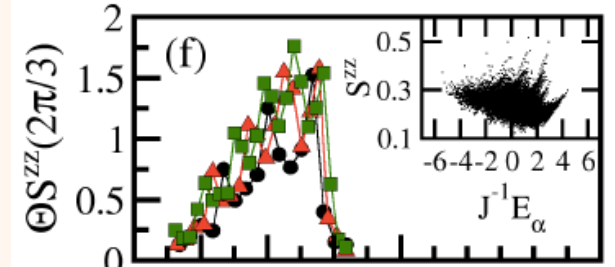
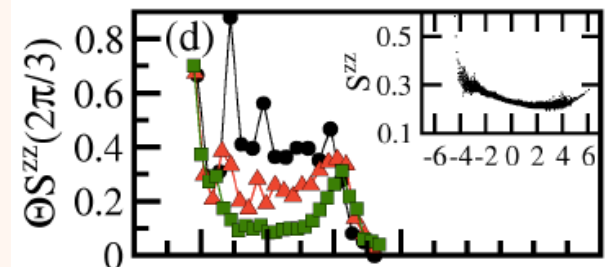
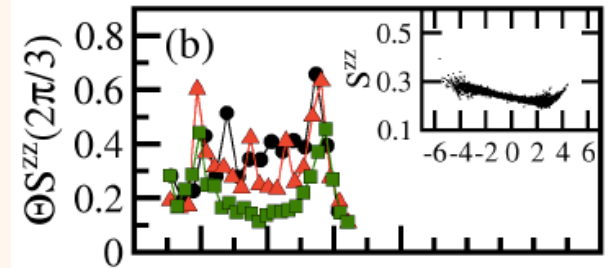


L=18, 1/3 up

$J^{-1}E_{\alpha}$

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$$\Theta O = (O_{\max} - O_{\min}) / O_{\text{micro}}$$



L=12
L=15
L=18

$J^{-1}E_{\alpha}/L$

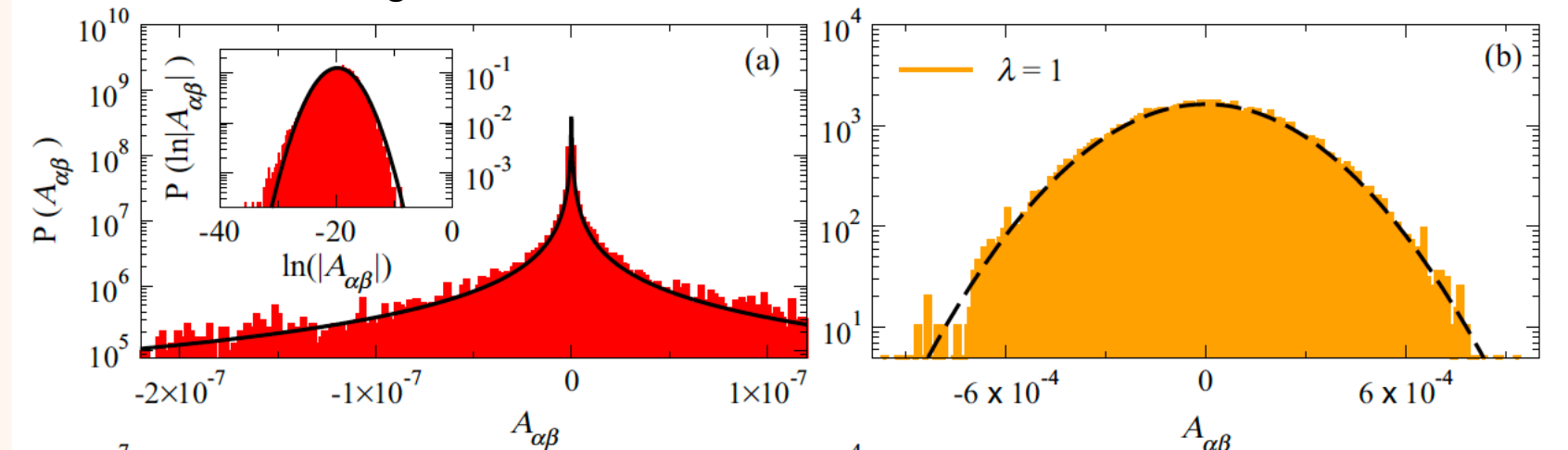
Off-diagonal elements

Beugeling, Moessner, Haque
PRE **91**, 012144 (2015)
(Gaussian distribution)

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Integrable model

Chaotic model



LeBlond, Mallayya, Vidmar, Rigol
PRE **100**, 062134 (2019)

Defect models

Off-diagonal elements

$$O_{\beta\alpha} = \langle \beta | O | \alpha \rangle$$

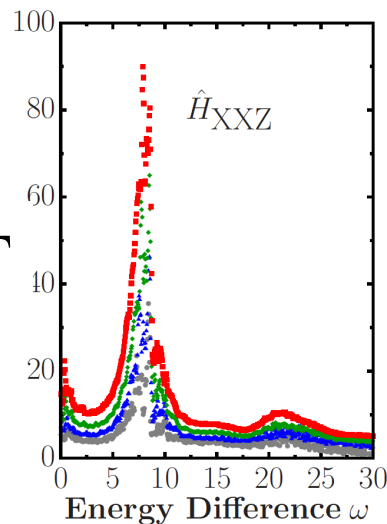
$$\Gamma(\omega) = \frac{\overline{|\langle \alpha | O | \beta \rangle|^2}}{\overline{|\langle \alpha | O | \beta \rangle|}^2}$$

$$\Gamma(\omega) = \pi/2$$

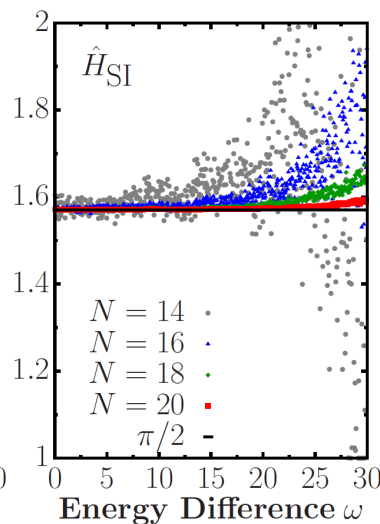
means Gaussian distribution

Beugeling, Moessner, Haque
PRE **91**, 012144 (2015)
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Integrable XXZ

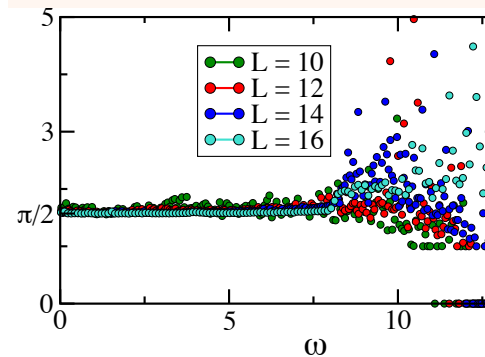


XXZ + defect

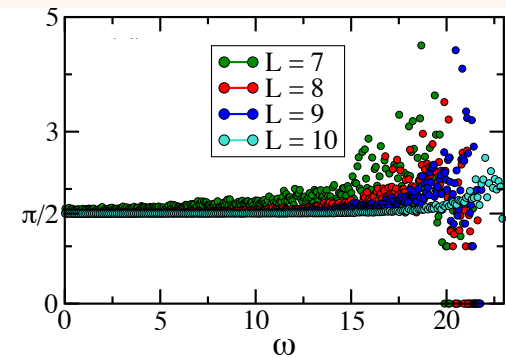


Brenen, Gould, Rigol
PRB **102**, 075127 (2020)

Ising + defect



Spin 1 + defect

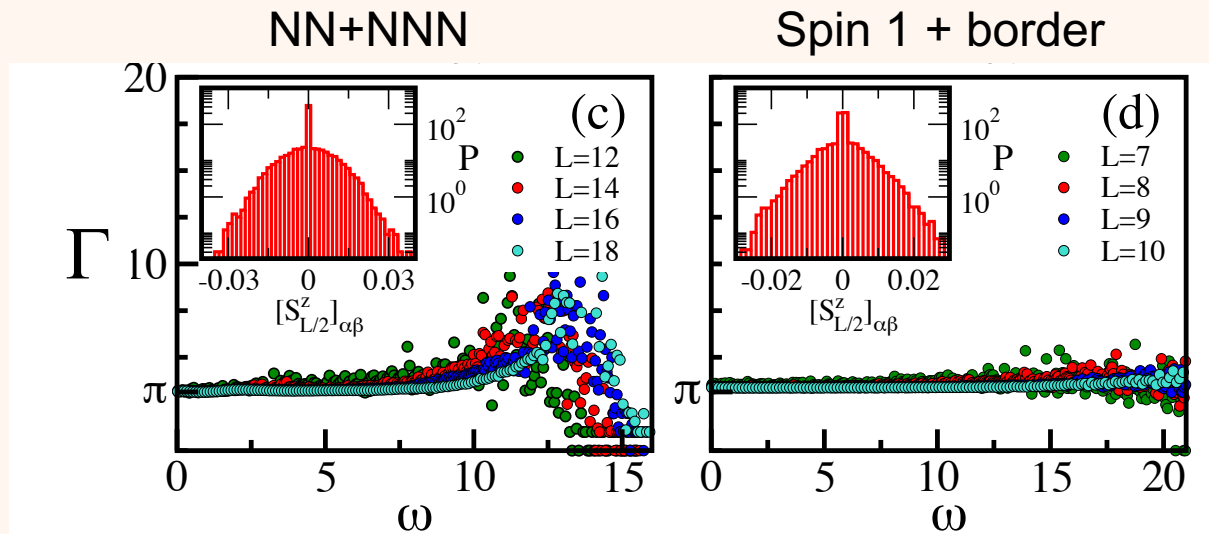


Speck of Chaos
PRR **2**, 043034 (2020)
LFS, Bernal, Torres

Off-diagonal elements and symmetries

$$\Gamma(\omega) = \frac{\left| \langle \alpha | S_{L/2}^z | \beta \rangle \right|^2}{\left| \langle \alpha | S_{L/2}^z | \beta \rangle \right|^2}$$

No need for unfolding
Detect chaos despite symmetries



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From Few- to Many-Body Quantum Systems From a Chaos Perspective

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Quantum Sci. Technol. **3**, 044006 (2018)

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arXiv:2012.14436

What is special about 4?

From Few to Many: Observing the Formation of a Fermi Sea One Atom at a Time

A. N. Wenz, G. Zürn, S. Murmann, I. Brouzos, T. Lompe, S. Jochim

Science **342**, 457 (2013)

Knowing when a physical system has reached sufficient size for its macroscopic properties to be well described by many-body theory is difficult. We investigated the crossover from few- to many-body physics by studying quasi-one-dimensional systems of ultracold atoms consisting of a single impurity interacting with an increasing number of identical fermions. We measured the interaction energy of such a system as a function of the number of majority atoms for different strengths of the interparticle interaction. As we increased the number of majority atoms one by one, we observed fast convergence of the normalized interaction energy toward a many-body limit calculated for a single impurity immersed in a Fermi sea of majority particles.

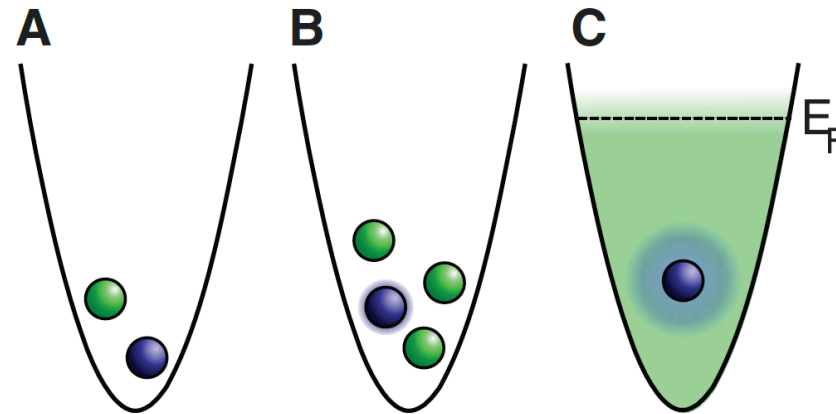


Fig. 1. From few to many. A single impurity (blue) interacting with one, few, and many fermions (green)

What is special about 4?

Statistical properties of fermionic molecular dynamics

J. Schnack, H. Feldmeier

Nuclear Physics A **601**, 181 (1996)

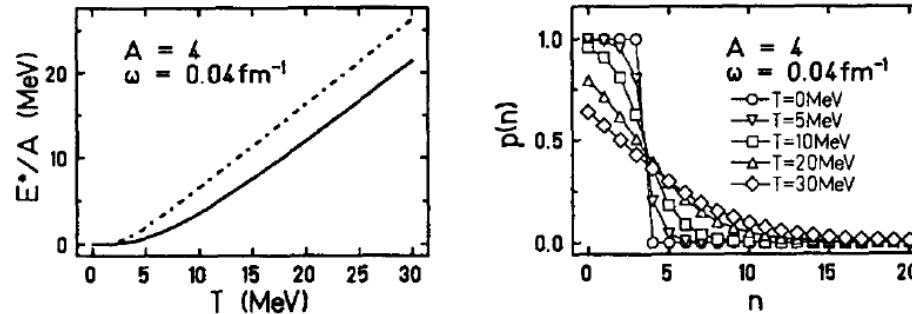


Fig. 1. A system of four fermions in a common oscillator described by the canonical ensemble. L.h.s.: Excitation energy as a function of temperature (solid line). The dashed-dotted line shows the result for a product state (Boltzmann statistics). R.h.s.: Occupation numbers $p(n)$ of the oscillator eigenstates for five temperatures (Eq. (16)). The lines are drawn as a guide for the eye.

Towards a statistical theory of finite Fermi systems and compound states:

Random two-body interaction approach

V. V. Flambaum, F. M. Izrailev, and G. Casati

Physical Review E. **54**, 2136 (1996)

Structure of compound states in the chaotic spectrum of the Ce atom: Localization properties, matrix elements, and enhancement of weak perturbation [*cerium atom, 4 valence electrons*]

Flambaum, Gribakina, Gribakin, Kozlov

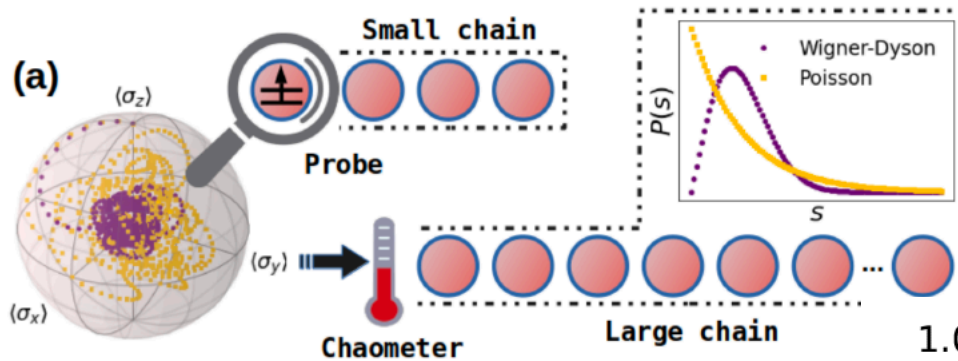
PRA **50**, 267 (1994)

What is special about 3-4?

Quantum chaos, equilibration and control in extremely short spin chains

Nicolás Mirkin and Diego Wisniacki

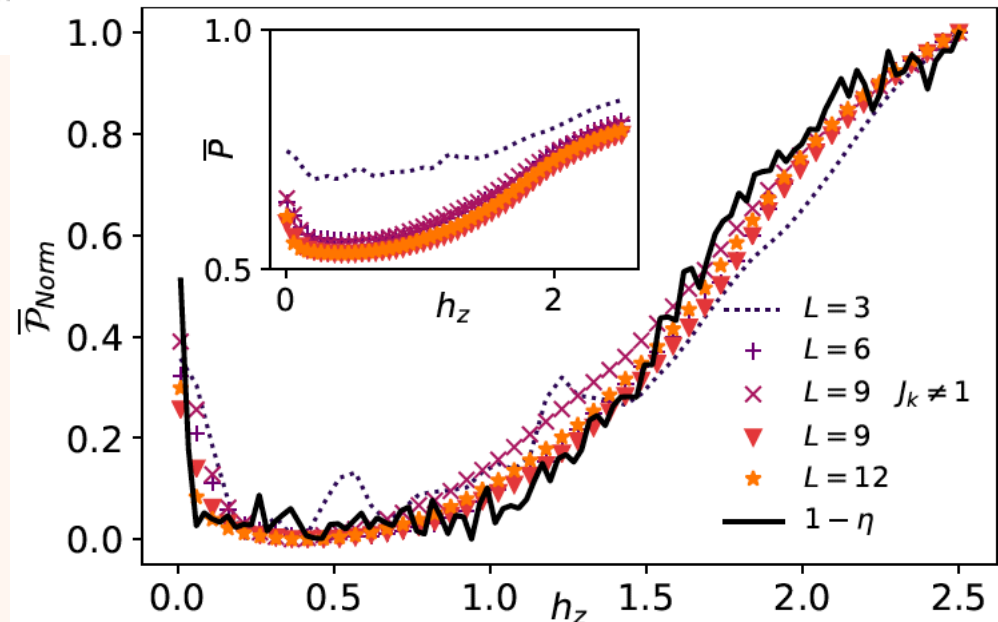
arXiv:2006.14468



$$H = \sum_{k=1}^L (h_x \hat{\sigma}_k^x + h_z \hat{\sigma}_k^z) - \sum_{k=1}^{L-1} J_k \hat{\sigma}_k^z \hat{\sigma}_{k+1}^z$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{P}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \text{Tr}[\tilde{\rho}_i^2(t)] dt \right)$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{P}}_{Norm} = \frac{\bar{\mathcal{P}} - \min(\bar{\mathcal{P}})}{\max(\bar{\mathcal{P}}) - \min(\bar{\mathcal{P}})}$$



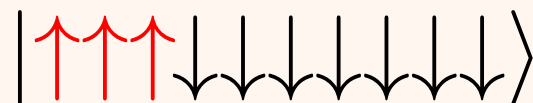
Quantum Chaos

From few- to many-body quantum systems

Spin-1/2 model:

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y)$$

excitations



Map into hardcore bosons:

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L \left[V \left(b_n^+ b_n - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(b_{n+1}^+ b_{n+1} - \frac{1}{2} \right) - t (b_n^+ b_{n+1} + h.c.) \right]$$

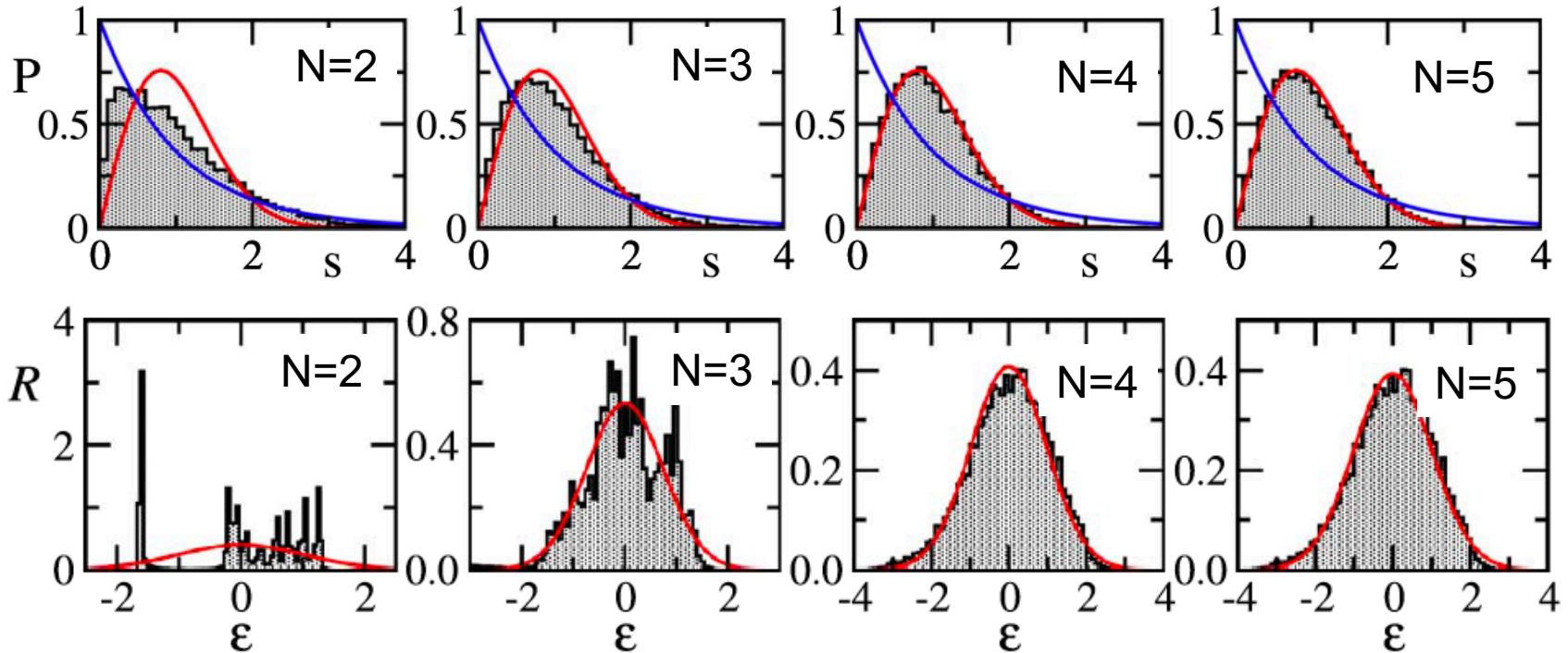
particles



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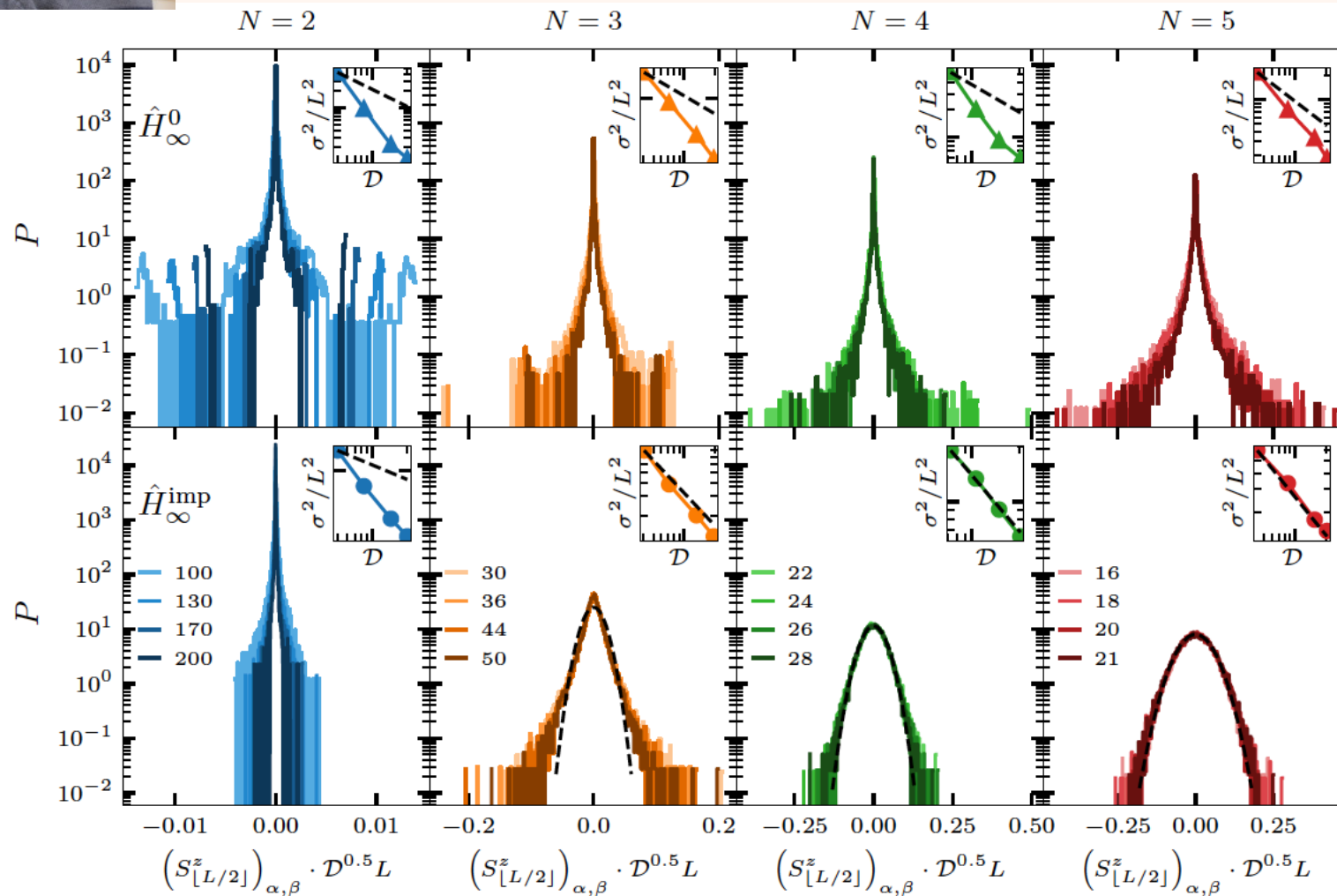


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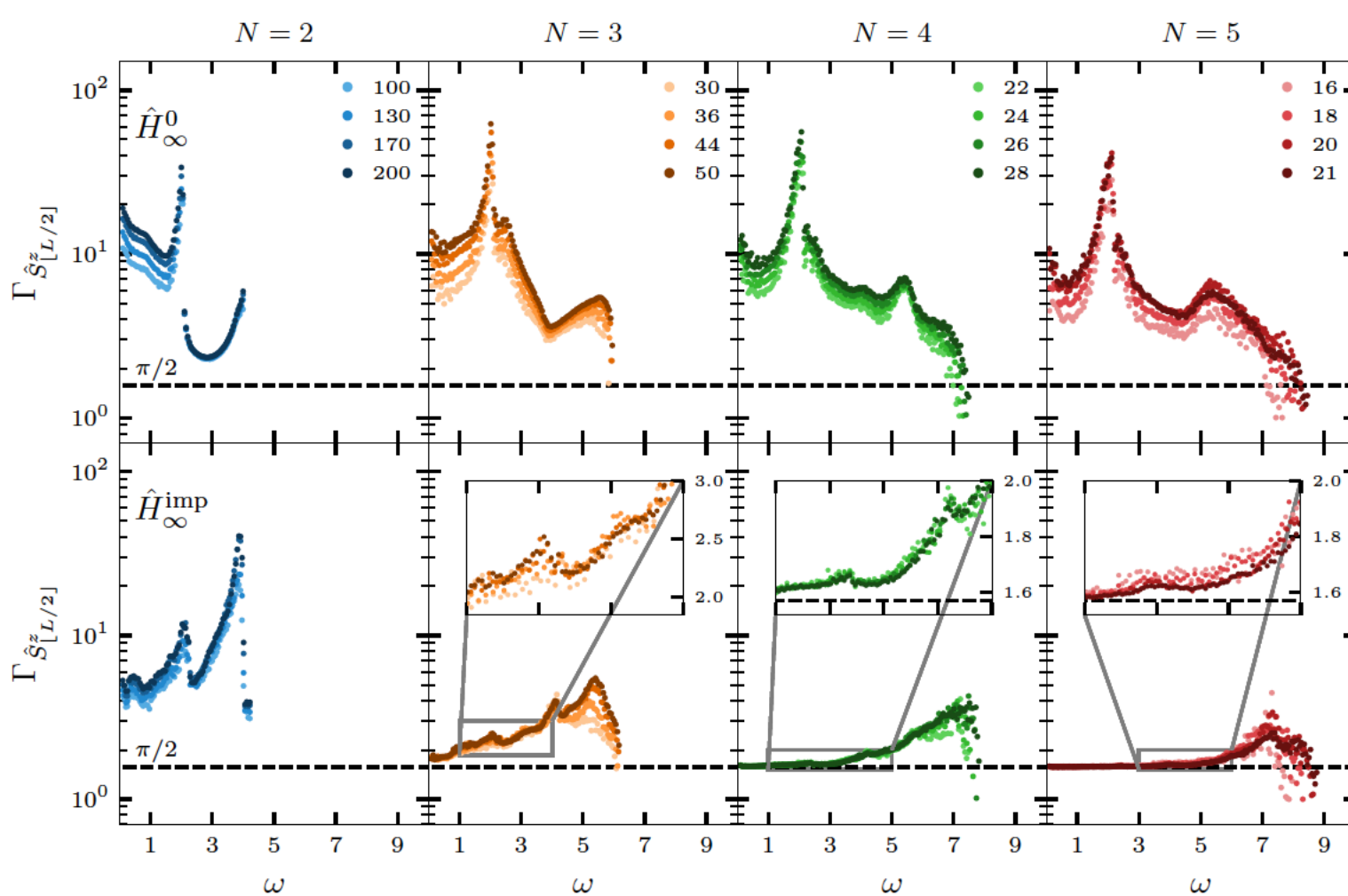


integrable
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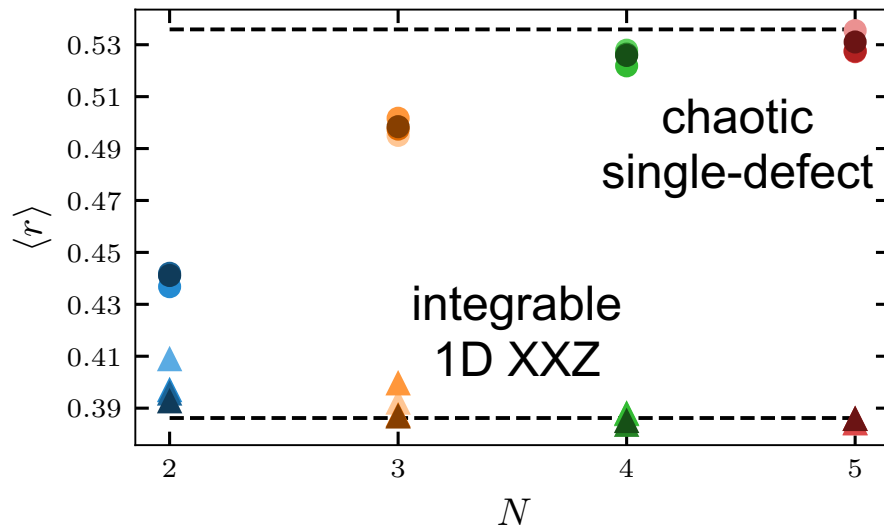
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Ratio of consecutive level spacings

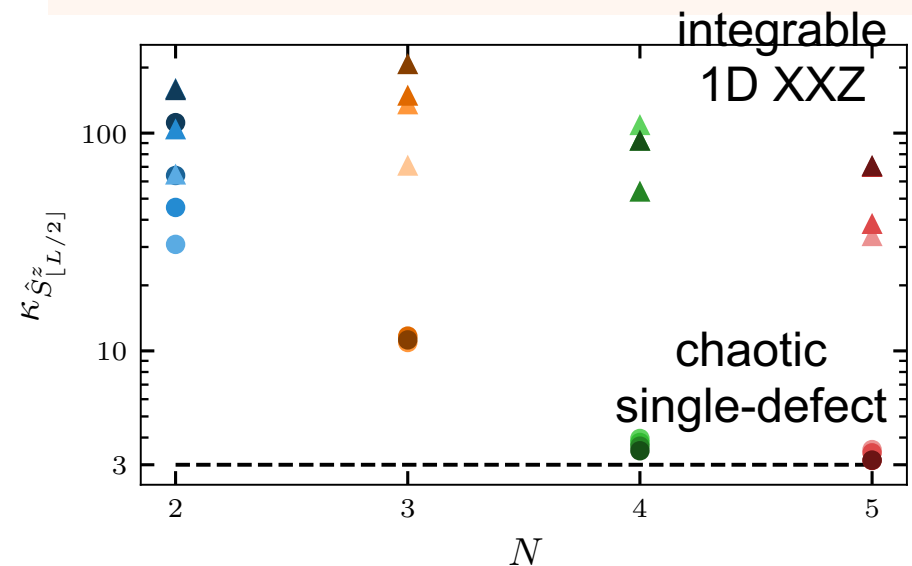
$$r_\alpha = \min \left(\frac{s_\alpha}{s_{\alpha-1}}, \frac{s_{\alpha-1}}{s_\alpha} \right)$$

Chaos: $\langle r \rangle = 0.536$
Poisson: $\langle r \rangle = 0.39$

Kurtosis

$$\kappa_{\hat{O}} = \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \langle (O_{\alpha\beta} - \langle O_{\alpha\beta} \rangle)^4 \rangle$$

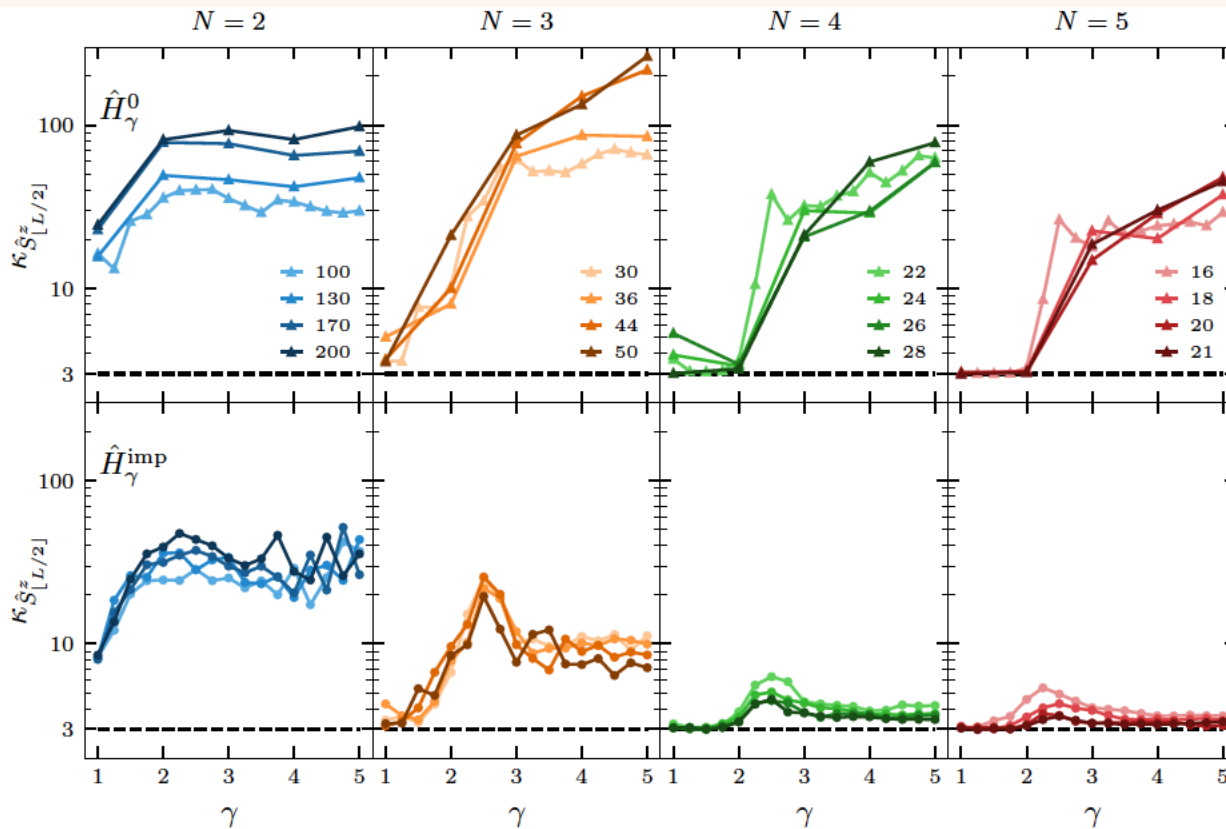
Chaos: $\kappa=3$



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$$H_\gamma = \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^L \frac{J (S_i^x S_j^x + S_i^y S_j^y + \Delta S_i^z S_j^z)}{(j-i)^\gamma} + h_{L/2} S_{L/2}^z$$



KURTOSIS = 3
means Gaussian

$$\kappa_{\hat{O}} = \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \langle (O_{\alpha\beta} - \langle O_{\alpha\beta} \rangle)^4 \rangle$$

No defect

With single defect

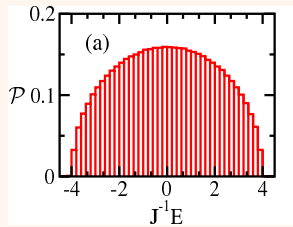
How many particles make up a chaotic many-body quantum system?

- Long range of interactions
- Larger spins
- Larger dimensions

-- What is special about $N=4$?

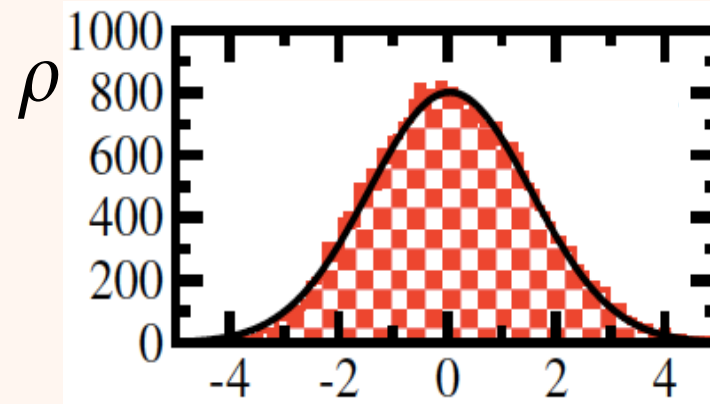
-- Is there a threshold or is it just a crossover?

Gaussian DOS



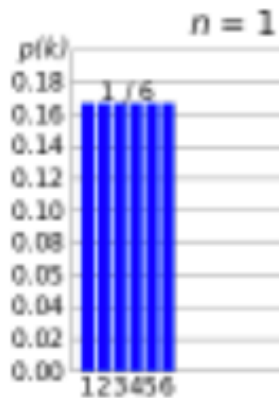
Wigner (1957)

Many-body quantum systems with two-body interactions: Gaussian

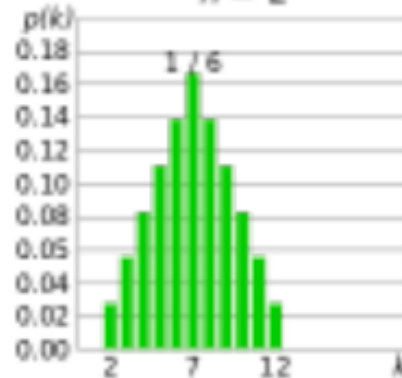


French & Wong, PLB (1970) E_α

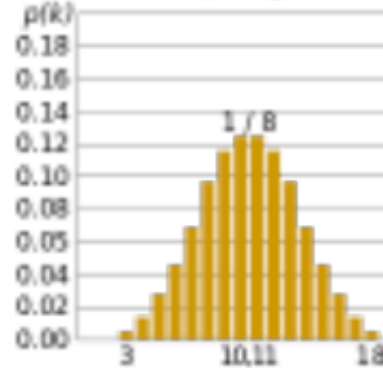
1 dice



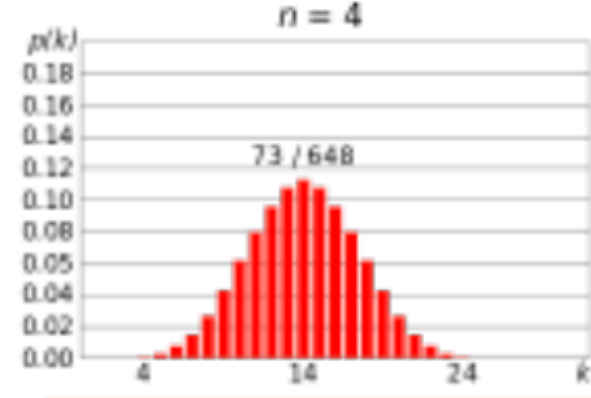
n = 2



n = 3



4 dice



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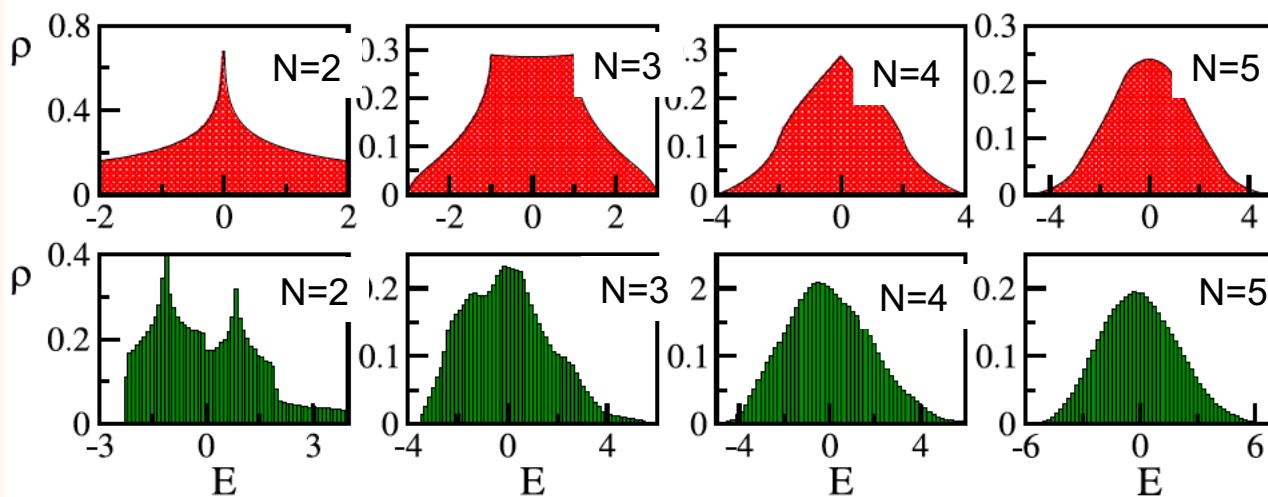
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XX model

$$H_{XX} = \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y)$$

$$E_\alpha = J \sum_{i=1}^N \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k_i}{L}\right)$$



$$k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_N$$

$$k_i \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm(L/2 - 1), L/2\}$$

NN+NNN model

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DYNAMICS

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$$|\Psi(0)\rangle = \uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow$$

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$$S_h(t) \equiv -\sum_j W_j(t) \ln W_j(t)$$

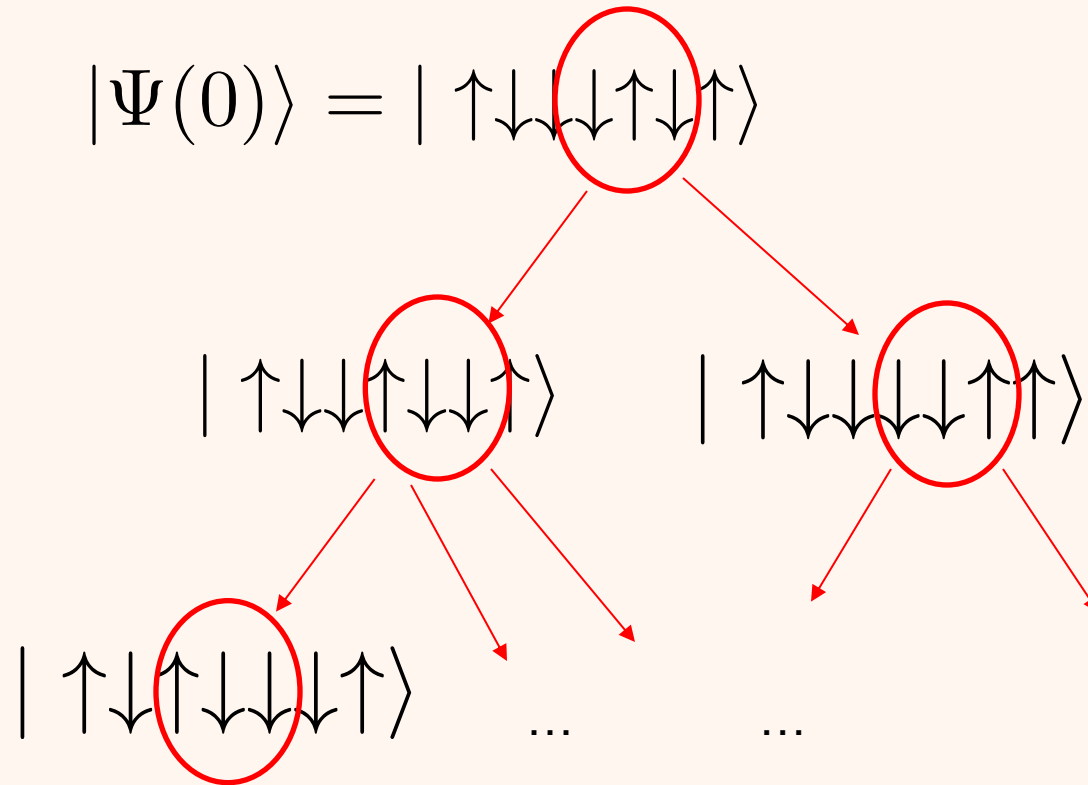


Participation 1st-order Rényi entropy
Participation Shannon entropy

measures the spread of the initial many-body state
in the exponentially large many-body Hilbert space



Spread in the many-body Hilbert space



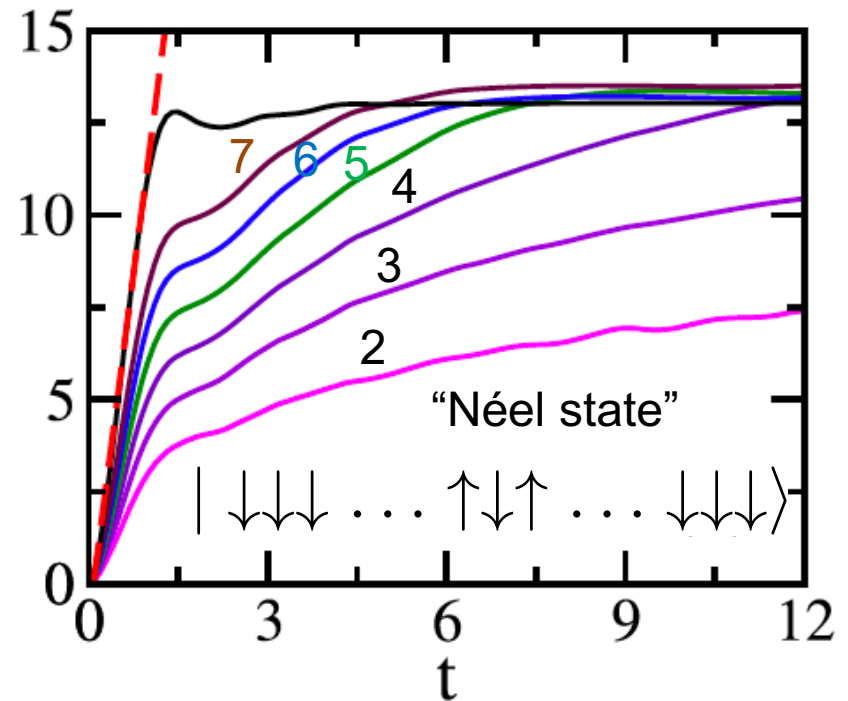
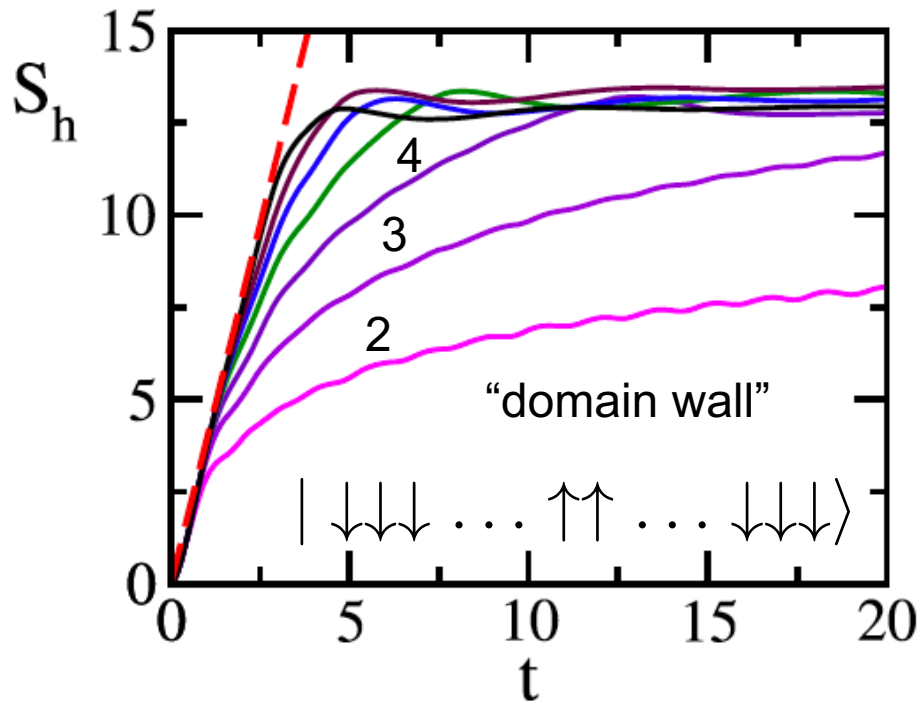
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$(L,N) = (1400, 2), (184, 3), (72, 4), (44, 5), (32, 6), (28, 7), (22, 11)$

For $N < 5$:

$$S_h \sim N \ln(t)$$

Thermalization time

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Manifestations of Quantum Chaos in the Dynamics

Level statistics is a good approach when we have access to the spectrum:
Nuclear Physics

How about experiments with cold atoms and ion traps?

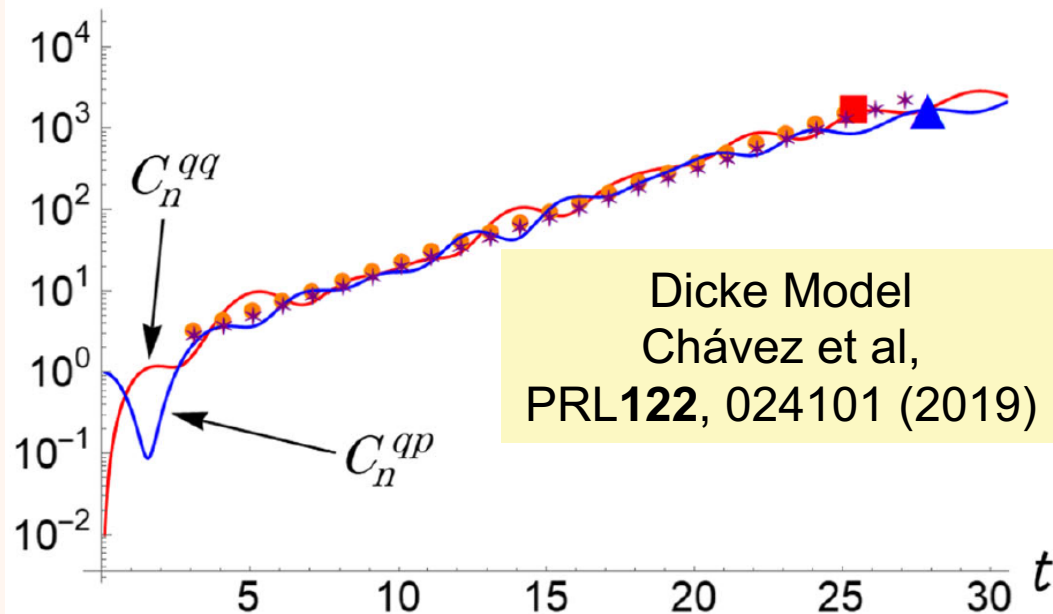
Dynamics: OTOC

Loschmidt Echo $L(t) = \left| \left\langle \Psi(0) \left| e^{iH_2 t} e^{-iH_1 t} \right| \Psi(0) \right\rangle \right|^2$

Out-of-time-ordered four-point correlator $C(t) = -\left\langle [W(t), V(0)]^2 \right\rangle$

Kicked Rotor
 Rozenbaum, Ganeshan, Galitski,
 PRL**118**, 086801(2017)

$$C(t) = -\left\langle W^+(t) V^+(0) W(t) V(0) \right\rangle$$



OTOC detects instability

Is the OTOC a detector of chaos?

(is the exponential growth of the OTOC at short times an indicator of chaos?)

In classical systems:

Positive Lyapunov exponent does not necessarily imply chaos.

Example: **inverted simple pendulum**.

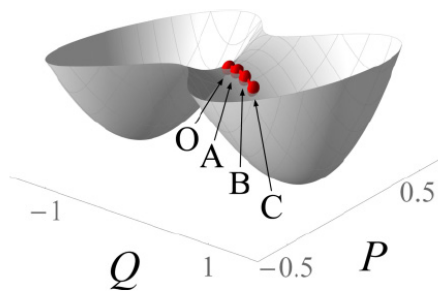
Its upright position corresponds to a stationary point that is unstable.

It has a positive LE, as any genuine chaotic system, but it is completely integrable.

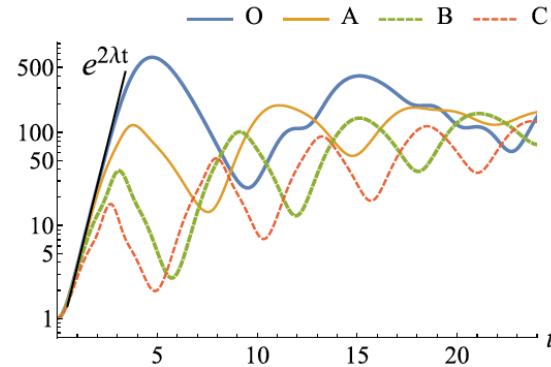
The pendulum does not exhibit chaotic behaviors, such as nonperiodicity and mixing.

OTOC detects instability

Lipkin-Meshkov-Glick model

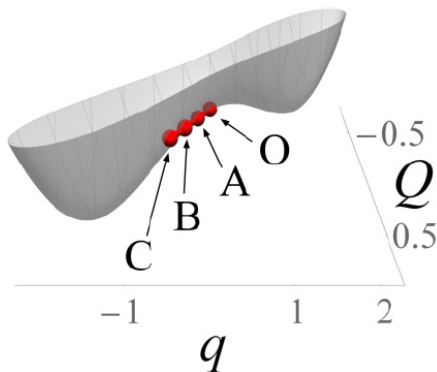


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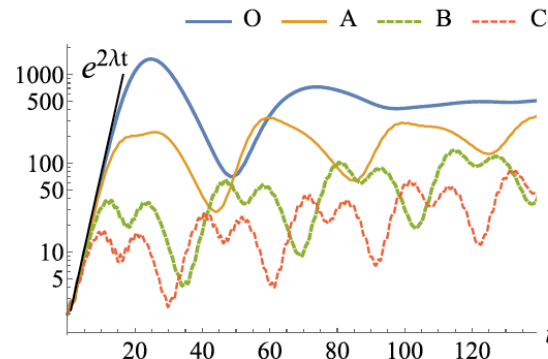


(b)

Dicke model in the regular regime



(c)



(d)

PRB 98, 134303 (2018)
PRL123,160401 (2019)
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ArXiv:2007.04746

Pilatowsky et al
PRE 101, 010202(R) (2020)

Long-Time Dynamics: Correlation Hole

Manifestations of spectral correlations in the dynamics?

At long times, when the dynamics resolve the discreteness of the spectrum:
correlation hole

Survival Probability

$$SP(t) = \left| \langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle \right|^2 = \left| \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 e^{-iE_{\alpha}t} \right|^2 \cong \left| \int \rho_{ini}(E) e^{-iEt} dE \right|^2$$

$$C_{\alpha}^{ini} = \langle \alpha | \Psi(0) \rangle$$

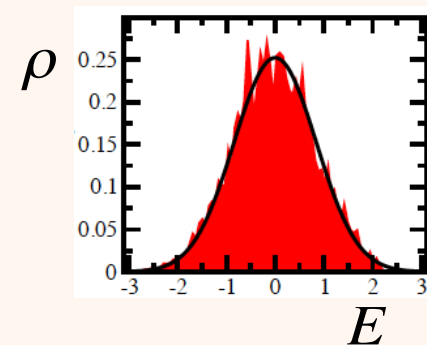


$$\rho_{ini}(E) = \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 \delta(E - E_{\alpha})$$

Energy distribution of the initial state

Initial States

$$|\Psi(0)\rangle = \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow$$



LDOS

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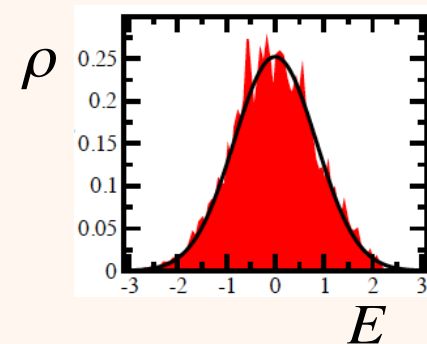
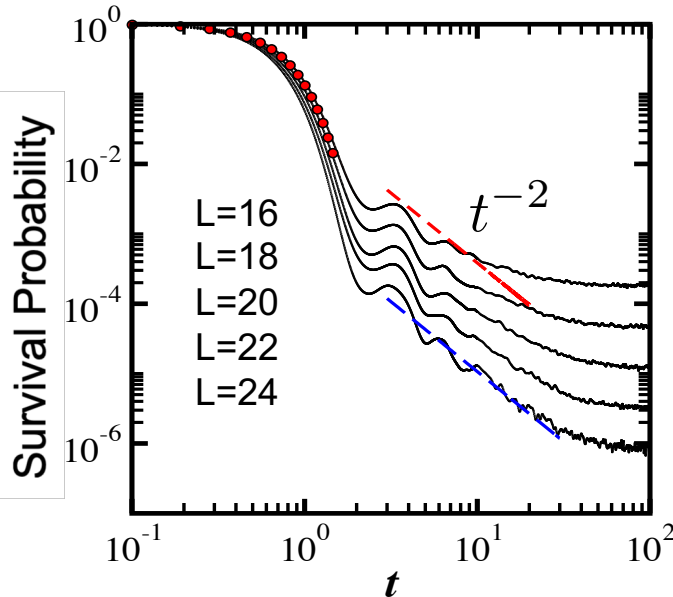
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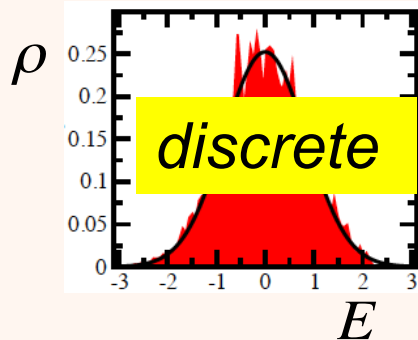
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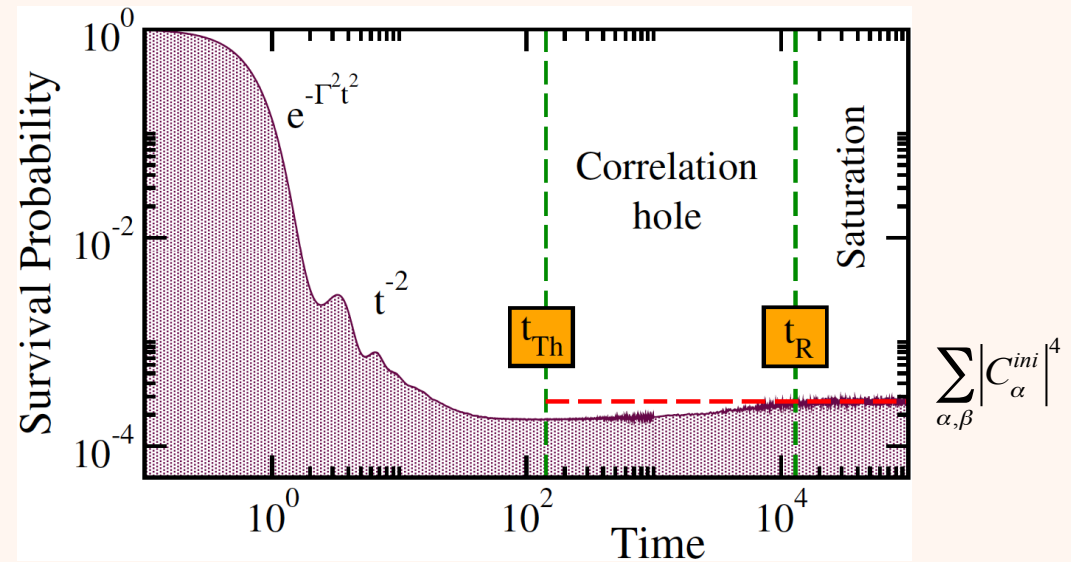
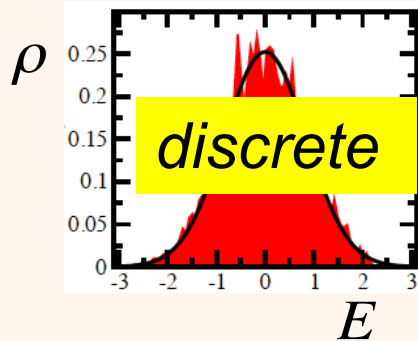


$$= \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} + \sum_{\alpha, \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4$$

$$C_{\alpha}^{ini} = \langle \alpha | \Psi(0) \rangle$$

Correlation Hole

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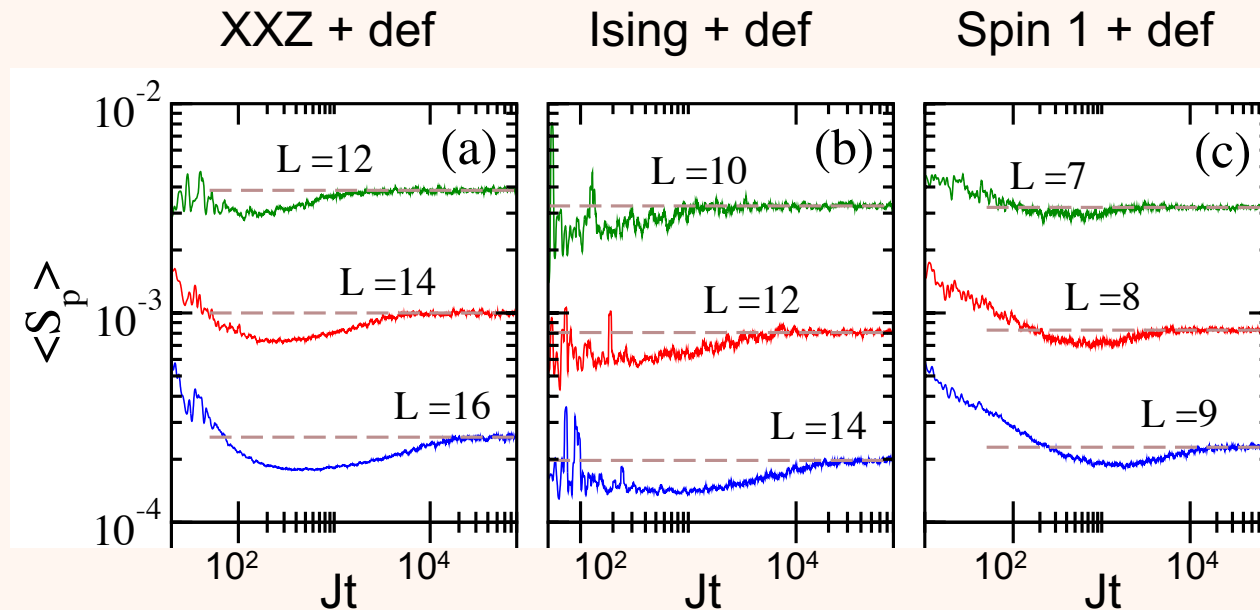


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Schiulaz, Torres & LFS,
PRB **99**, 174313 (2019)

Correlation Hole: Single-Defect Models

No need for unfolding
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Speck of Chaos
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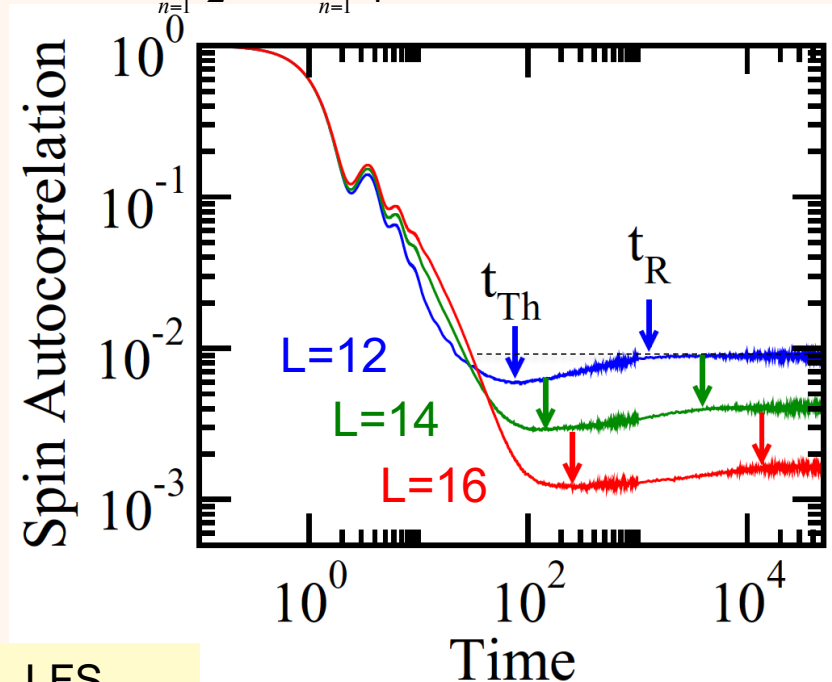
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Correlation Hole and Experiments

$$I(t) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{k=1}^L \langle \Psi(0) | \sigma_k^z e^{iHt} \sigma_k^z e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle$$

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L \frac{\varepsilon_n}{2} \sigma_n^z + \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} (\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y)$$

- Small values: Precision
- Local observables spin autocorrelation function



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Single-defect model

- Local perturbation in quantum many-body systems can lead to chaos.
 - XXZ + defect (Ballistic vs Diffusion)
 - Ising + transverse field + defect
 - Spin 1 + defect

- **Correlation hole + off-diagonal** elements detect chaos despite symmetries
no unfolding, **no separation by symmetries**

- **Correlation hole**: a **dynamical** indicator of chaos (experiments – dynamics)