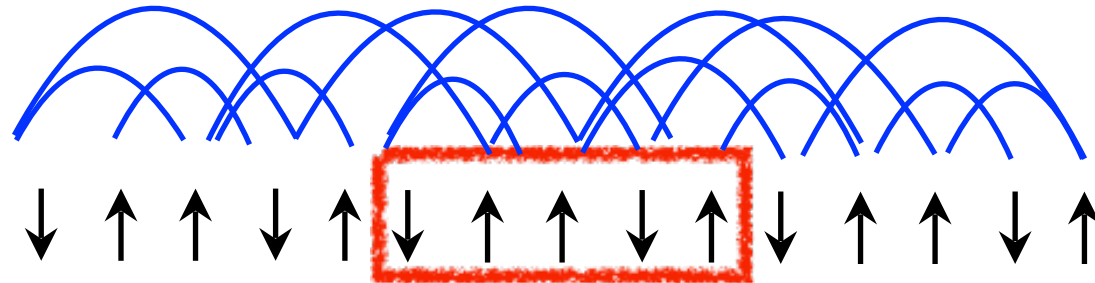


Influence functionals, temporal entanglement, and quantum many-body dynamics



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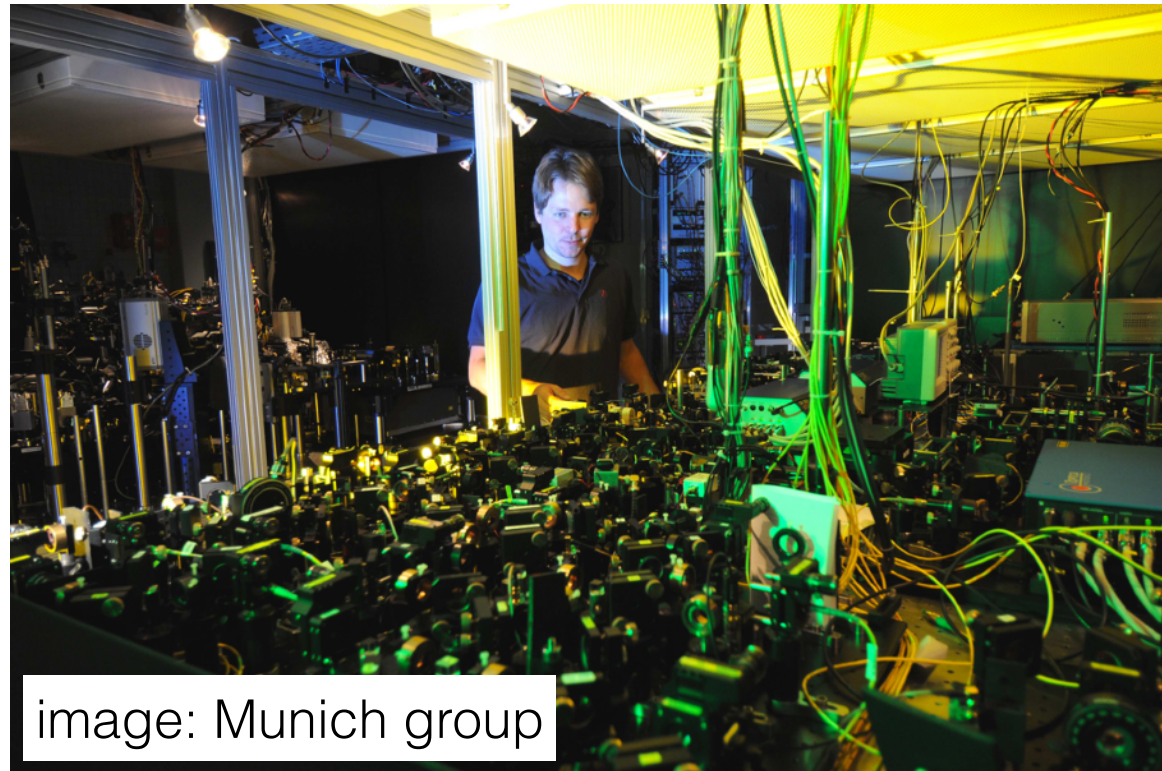


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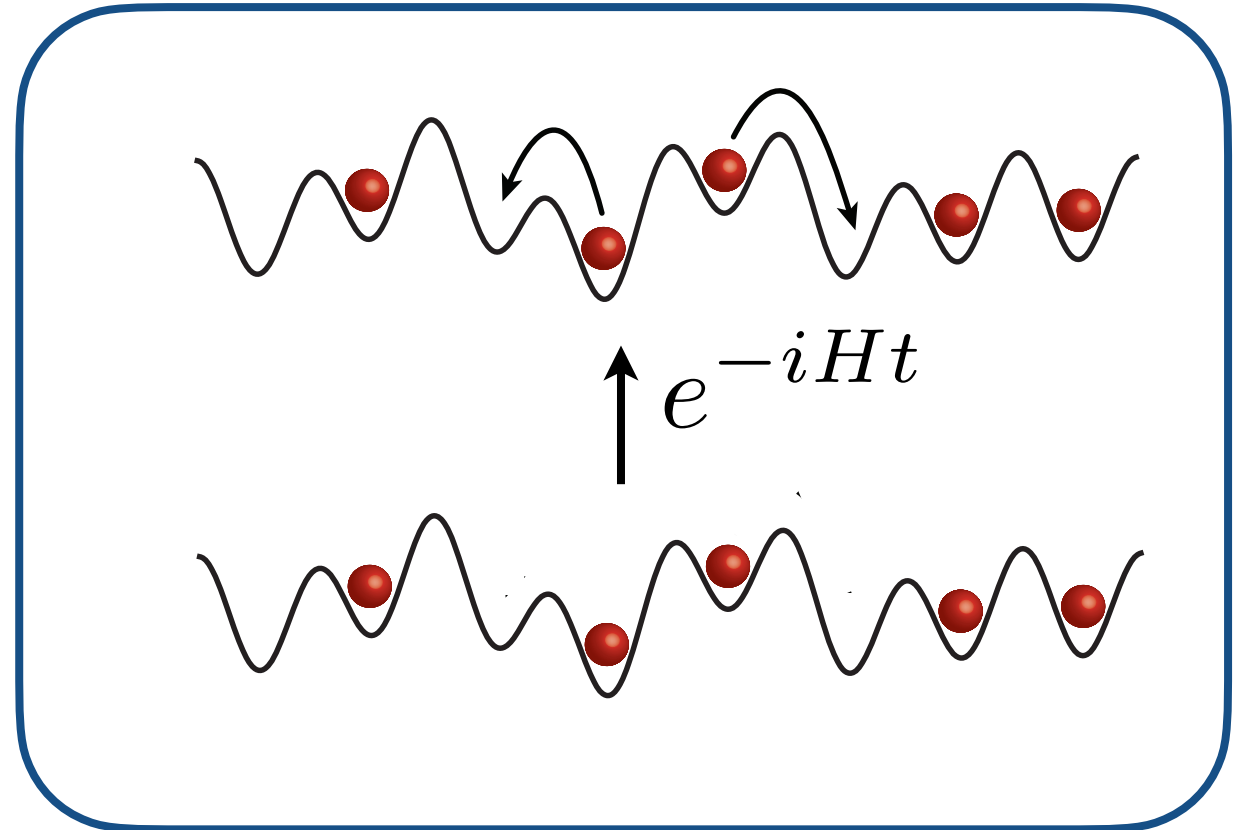
Quantum Transport: Disorder, Interactions, Integrability
Rome
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Introduction

Synthetic quantum systems



Ultracold atoms



Design dimensionality, lattice, interactions, ..

Unlike “conventional” materials

- Isolated (no phonon/heat bath)
- Long time scales $\sim 10^{-3}s$ vs $10^{-12}s$

Experiments

- Quantum quench
- Periodic driving (Floquet)

A platform to study non-equilibrium phenomena in interacting quantum systems

Non-equilibrium quantum matter in synthetic systems

Cold atoms

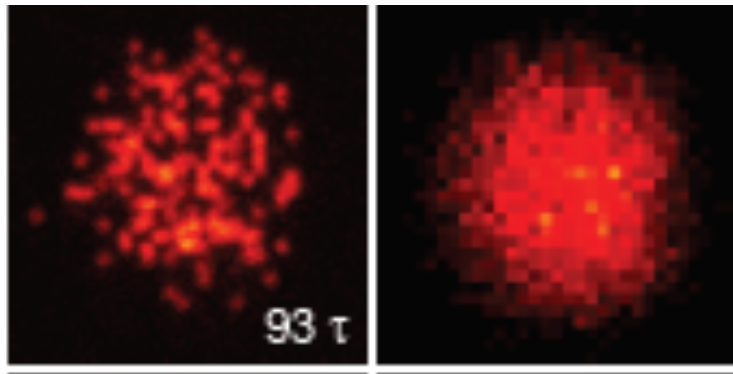


Figure: Bloch group (Munich)

Rydberg atoms

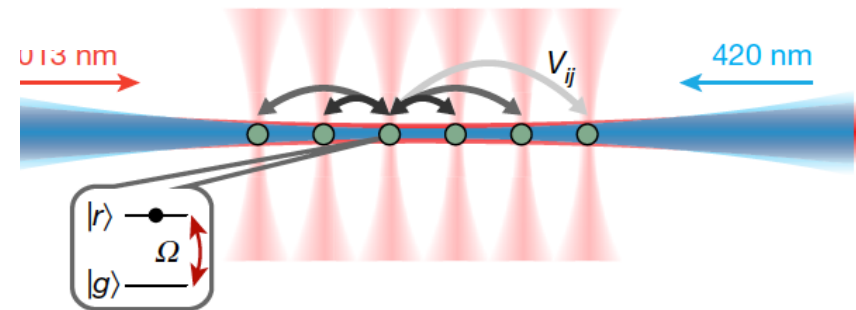


Figure: Bernien et al'17 (Harvard-MIT)

Superconducting qubits

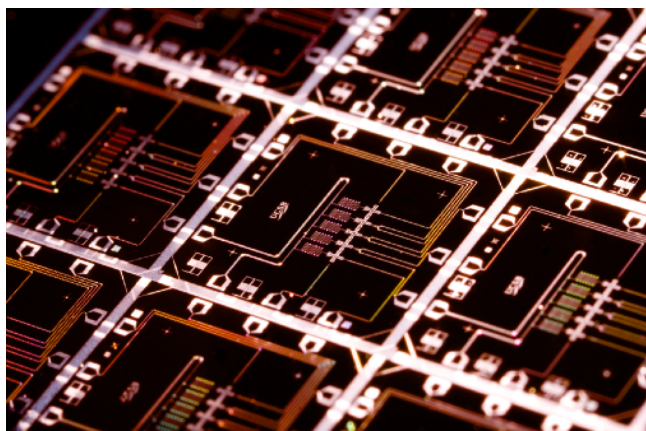


Figure: Google Quantum

Trapped ions

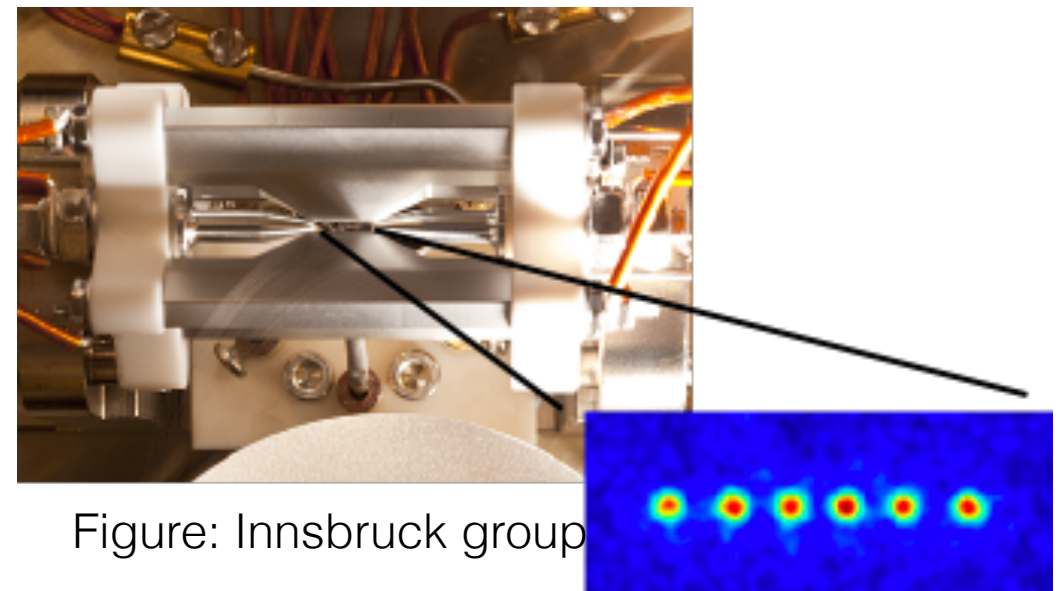
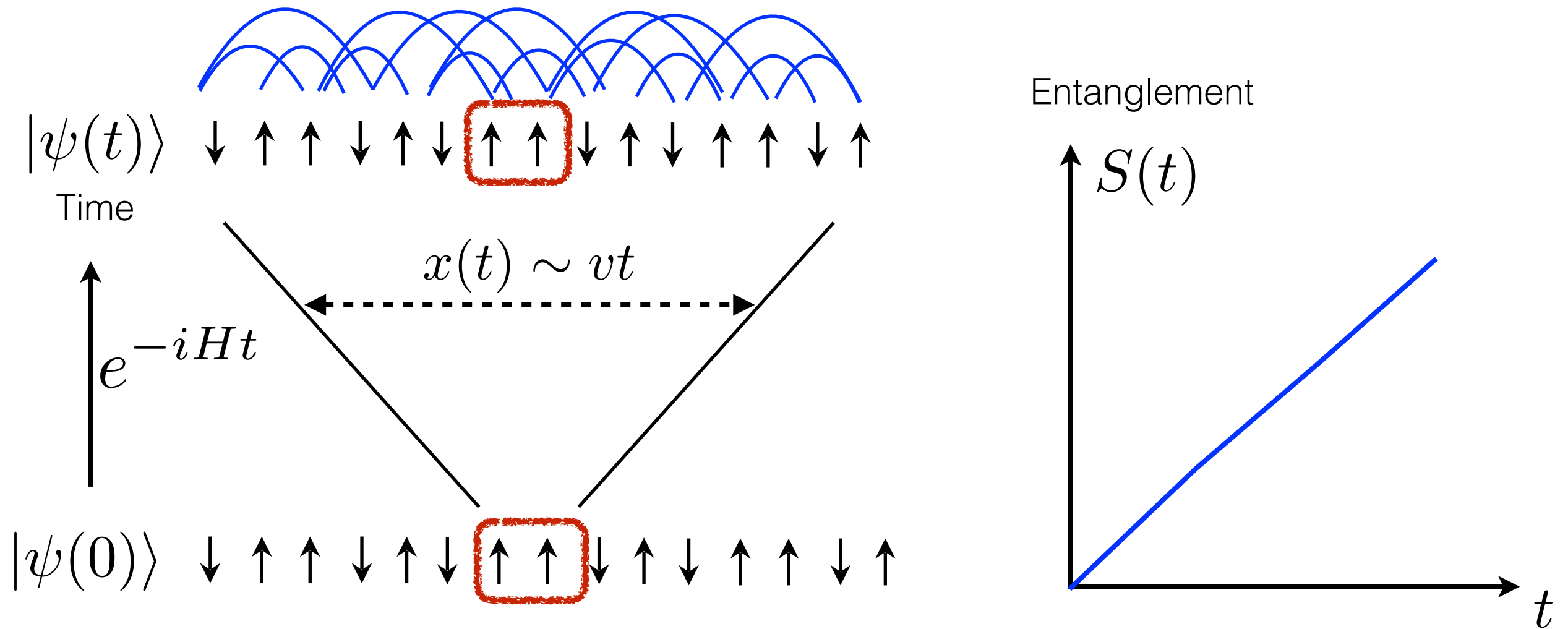


Figure: Innsbruck group

Typically, highly non-equilibrium (e.g. infinite temperature) dynamics

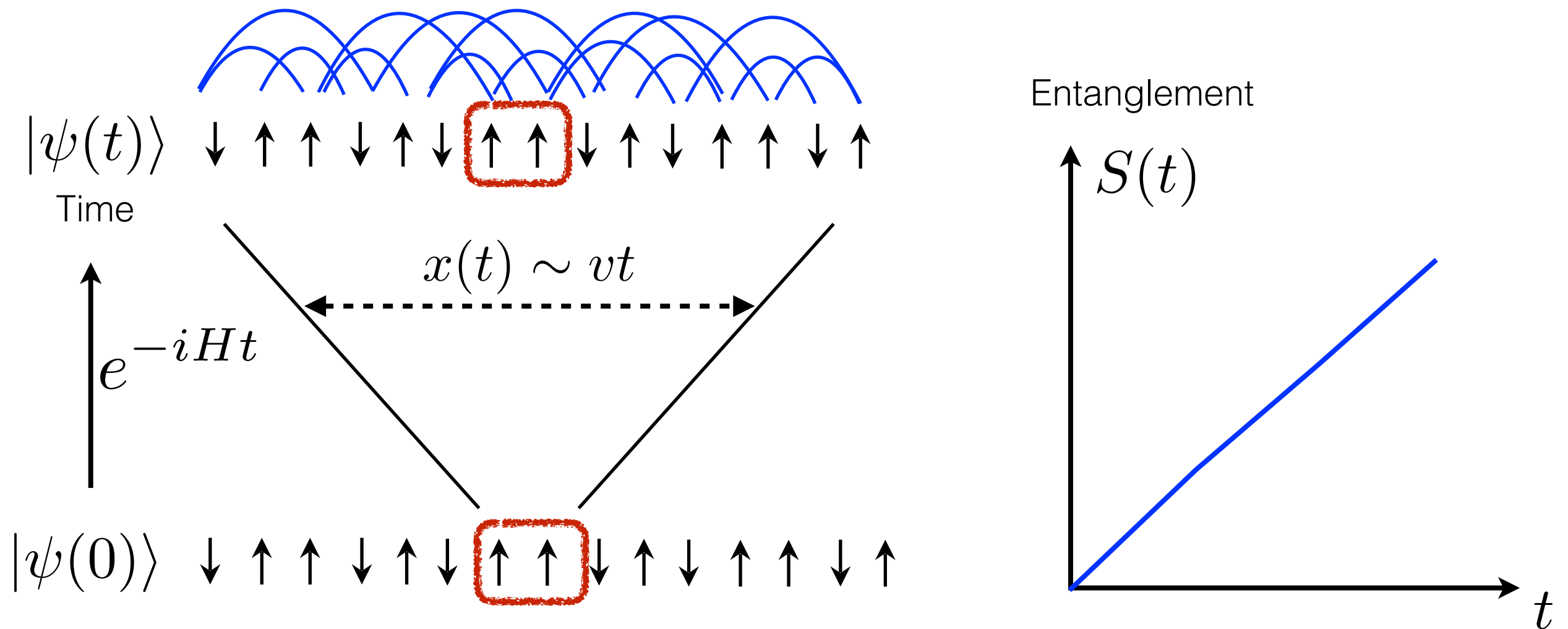
Dynamics, entanglement, and computational complexity



Non-equilibrium dynamics $\longrightarrow$ generation of entanglement

Generally, computationally hard problems

Dynamics, entanglement, and computational complexity



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“Corners” of solvability/efficient description?

Natural task for quantum computers — useful quantum advantage?

Correlated materials out-of-equilibrium

Photo-induced charge and spin phase transitions

Cavalleri et al'01, Iwai et al'03, Zong et al'19,...

Control superconductivity?

Fausti et al'11, Mitrano et al'16,...

Ultra-fast dynamics of electrons and phonons (hard)

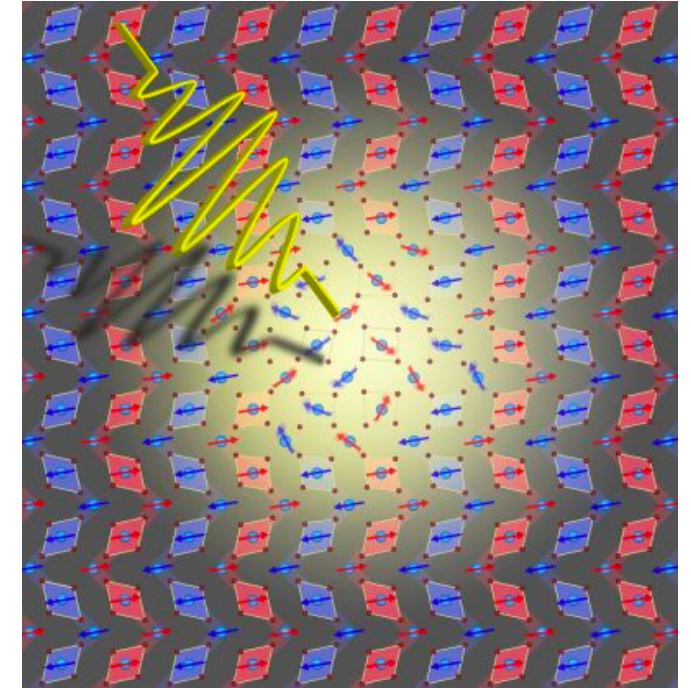


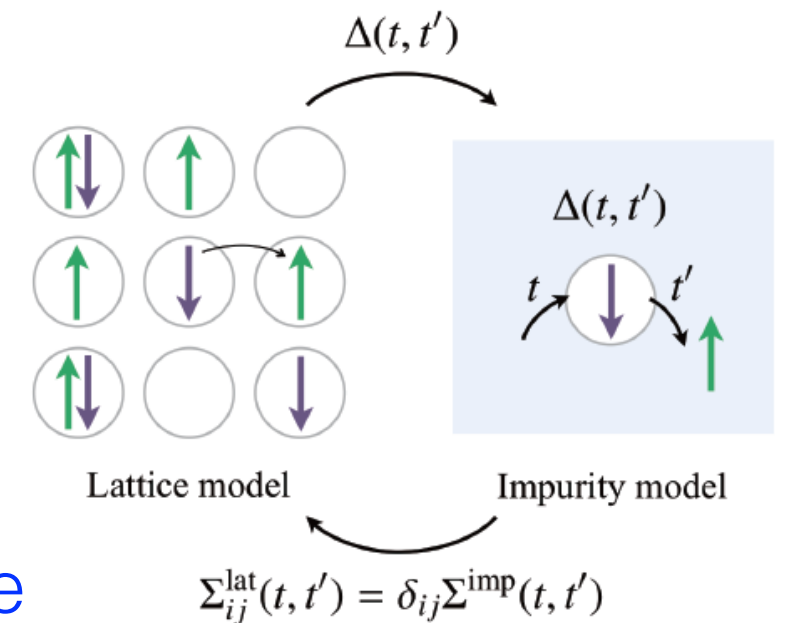
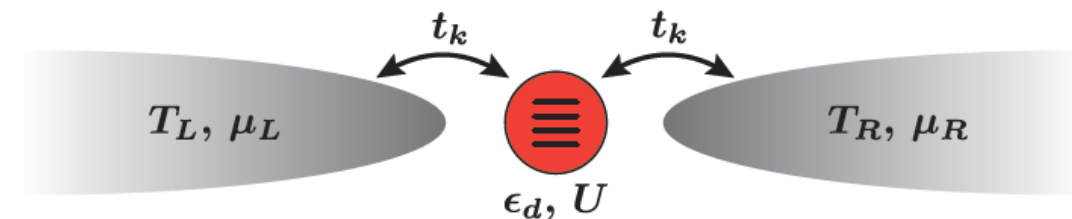
Figure: Cavalleri group

Quantum impurity problems

-Transport in mesoscopic devices

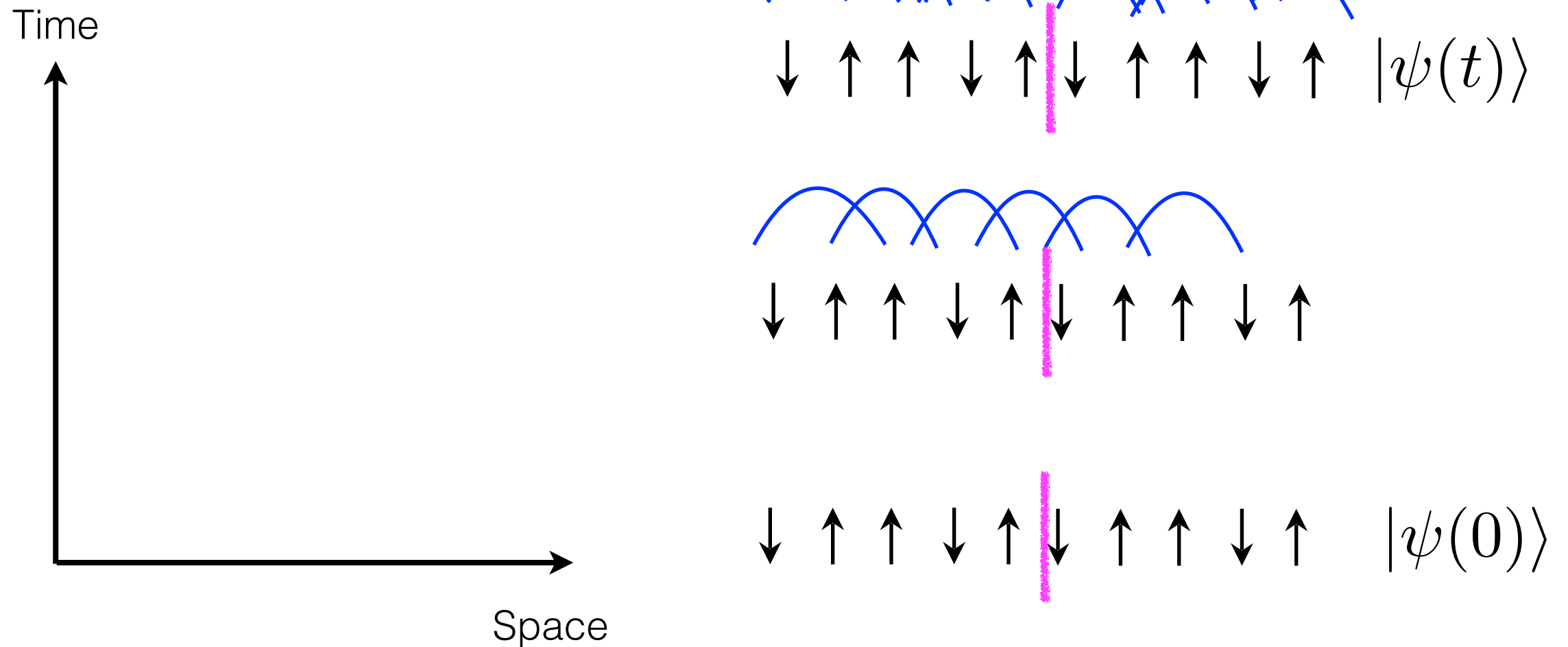
-Model correlated materials (embedding methods)

Review: Georges et al'96, Aoki et al'14



Many-body dynamics at low temperature

Preview



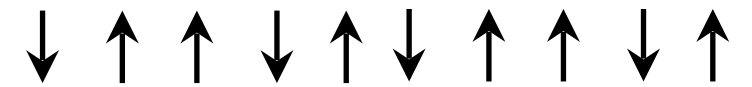
Time evolution of a many-body state $|\psi(t)\rangle$

Generally, high complexity

Low **spatial entanglement** — efficient compression by **tensor networks**

Complexity and entanglement

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{s_i=\uparrow,\downarrow} A_{s_1 \dots s_N} |s_1 \dots s_N\rangle$$

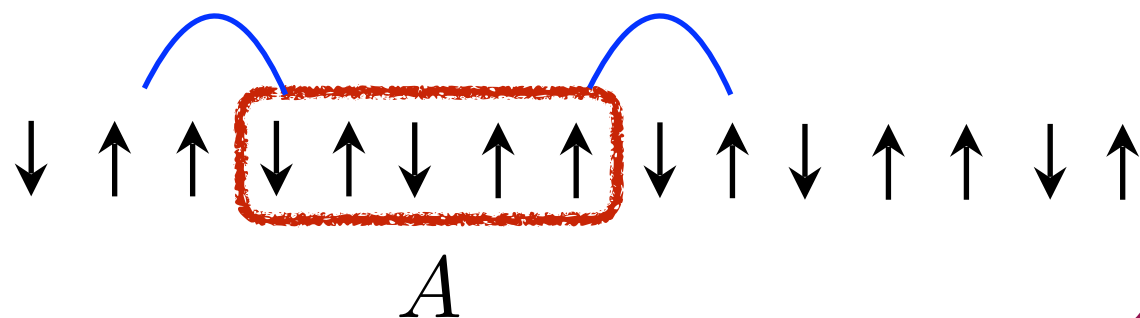


Naively $\sim 2^N$ parameters

How difficult to represent?

Weakly entangled states can be efficiently “compressed” $\sim N^a$

$$S_{\text{ent}}(A) \propto \text{vol}(\partial A) \quad \text{“area-law”}$$



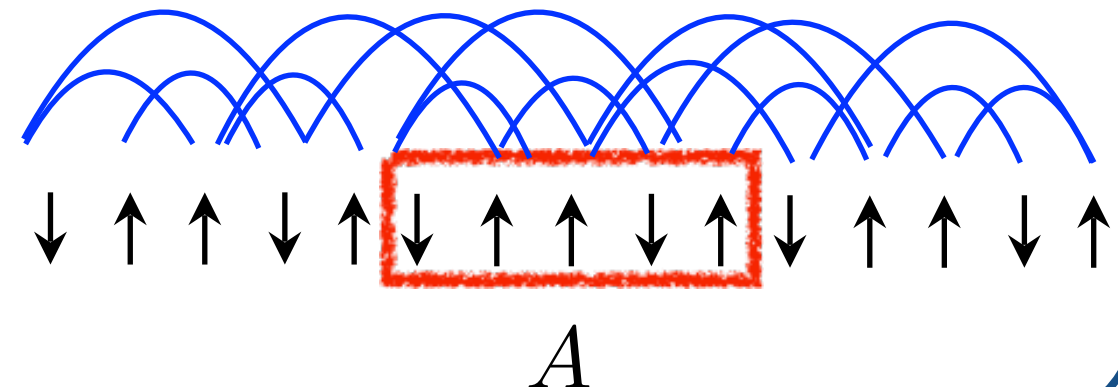
Ground states, “easy”

Tensor networks methods

$$A_{s_1 \dots s_N} = \begin{array}{cccccc} s_1 & & & s_i & & s_N \\ | & | & | & | & | & | \\ \bullet & - & \bullet & - & \bullet & - & \bullet & - & \bullet & - & \bullet \end{array}$$

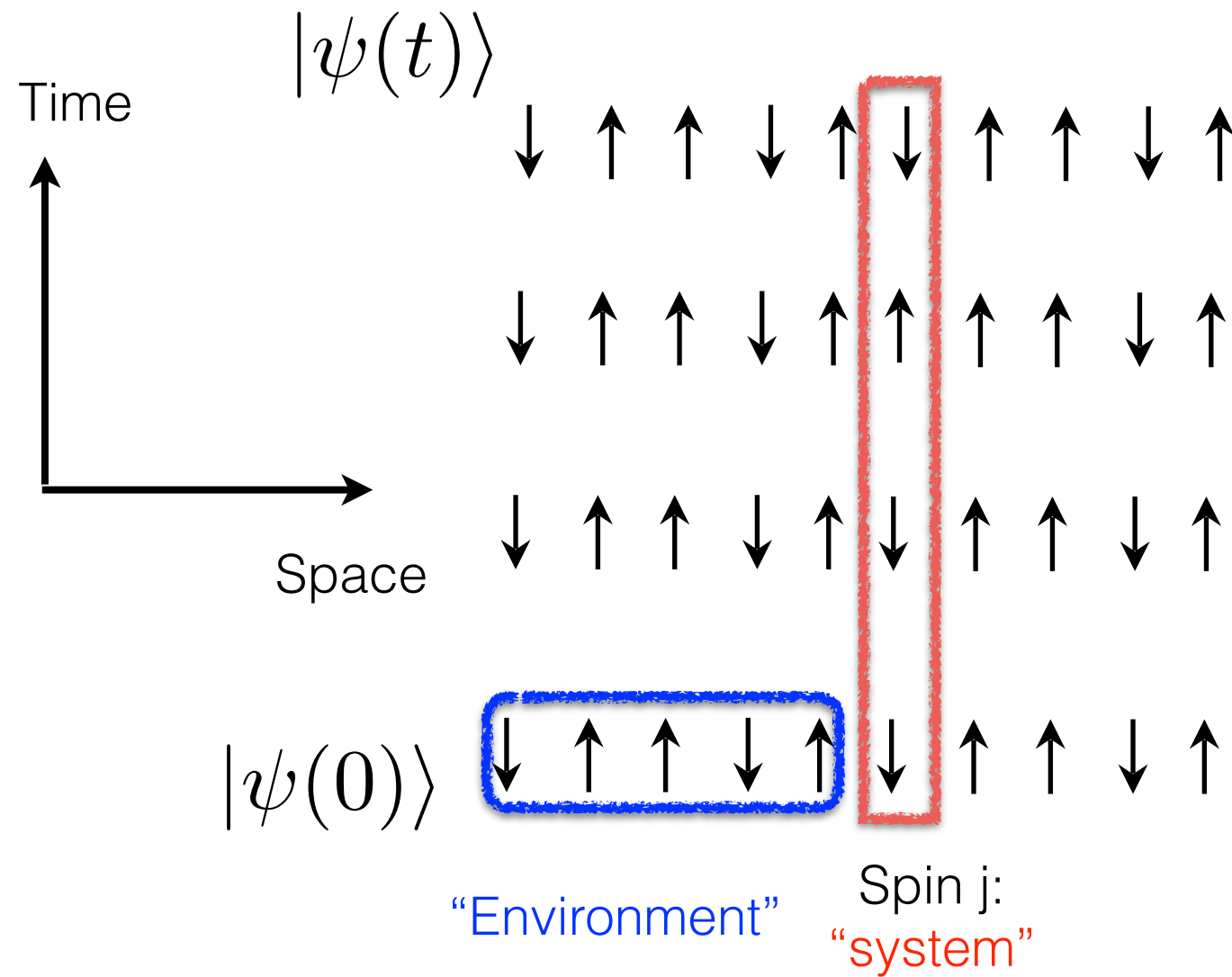
Highly entangled states “hard”

$$S_{\text{ent}}(A) \propto \text{vol}(A) \quad \text{“volume-law”}$$

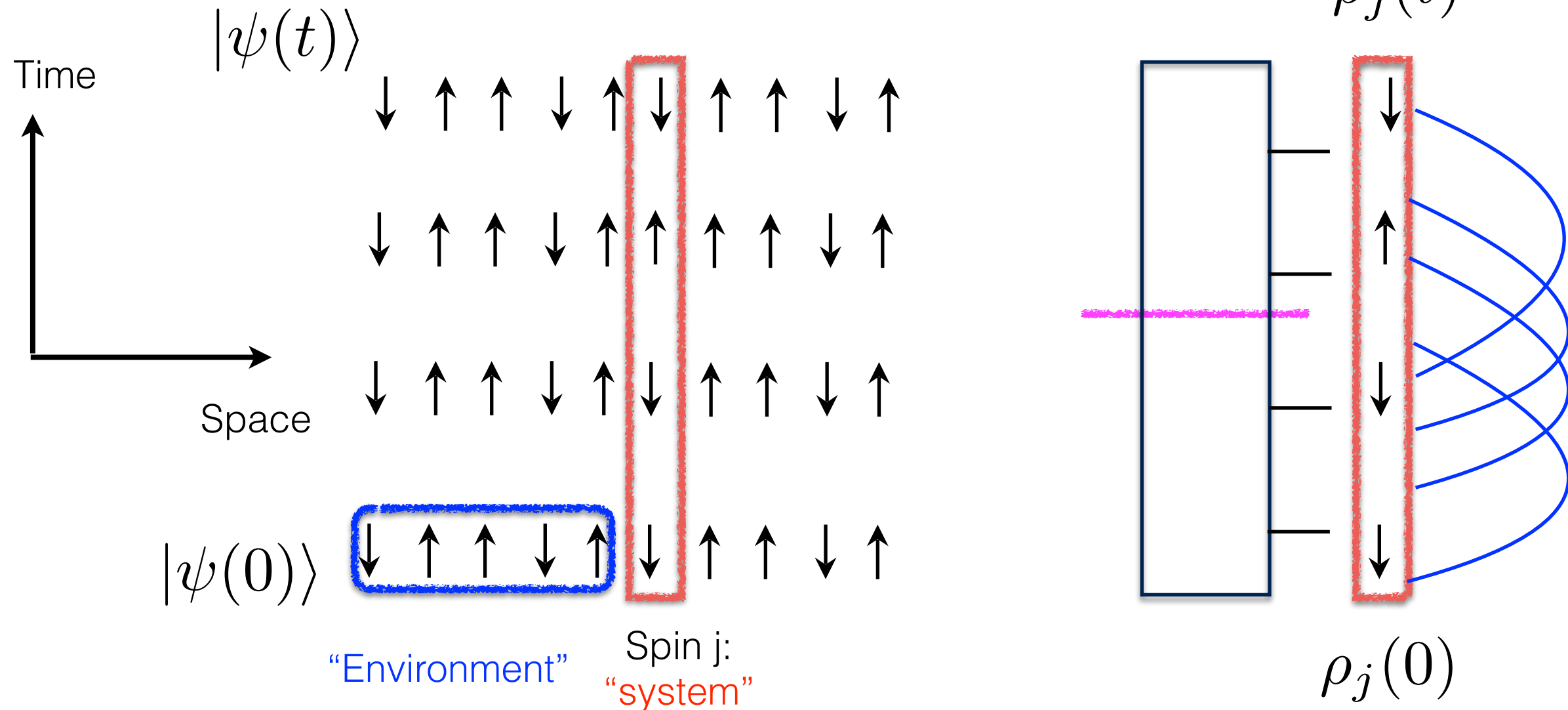


Non-equilibrium states, “hard”

From spatial to temporal entanglement



From spatial to temporal entanglement



Dynamics of local observables: view part of system as environment

-Exact solutions

-New efficient methods based on low **temporal entanglement**

-**Quantum control** of many-body systems...

Thermalisation and mechanisms to avoid it

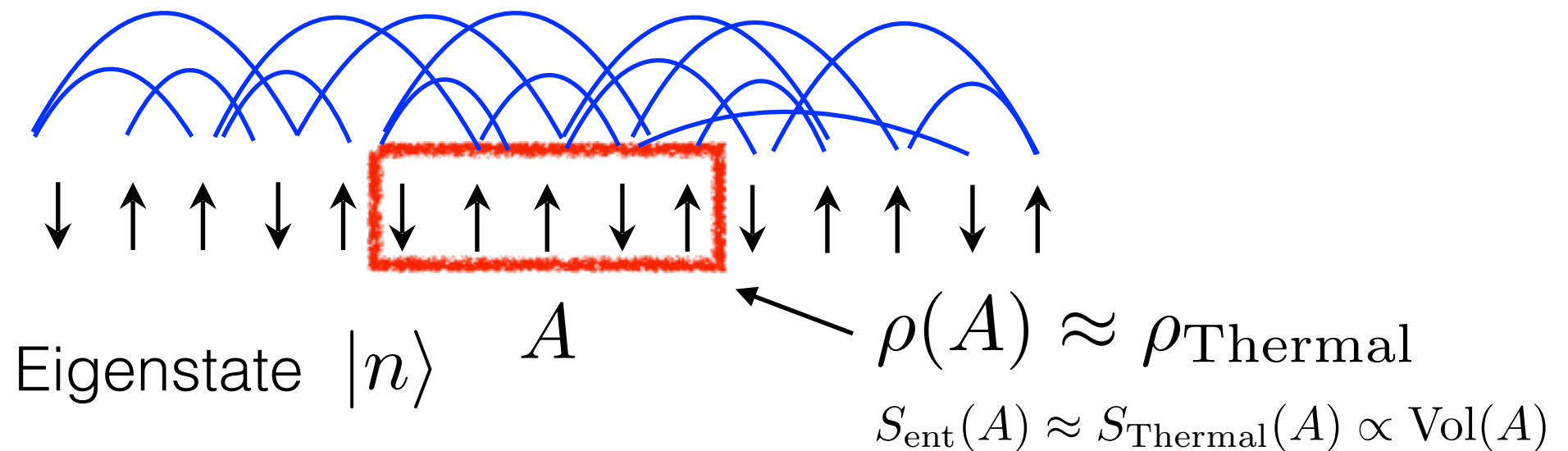
Quantum ergodicity and eigenstate thermalisation hypothesis (ETH)

Deutsch'91, Srednicki'94,...



-Quantum-ergodic Hamiltonian H

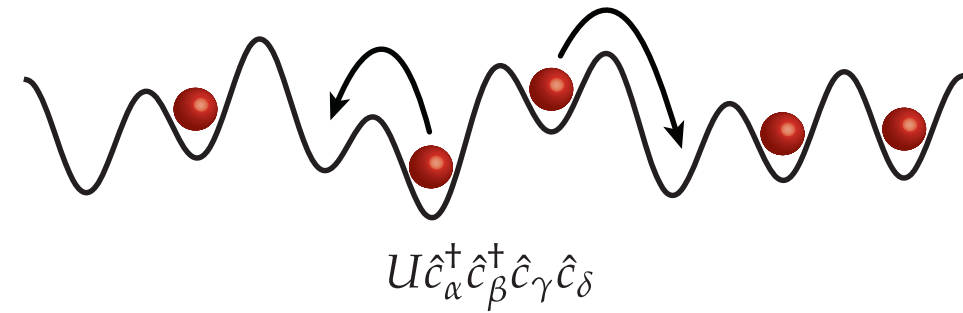
-Eigenstates have thermal observables, are highly entangled



-System acts as a “good thermal bath” for its subsystems

Many-body localization: integrability and entanglement

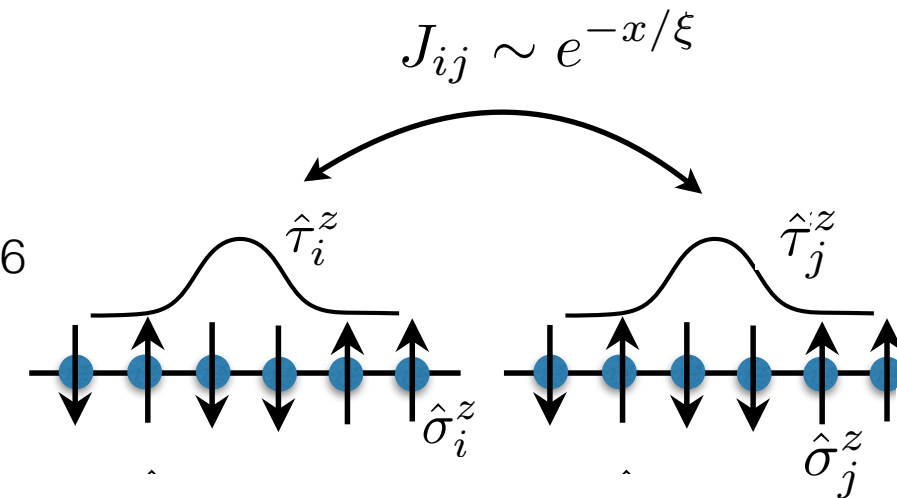
Avoiding thermalisation by disorder (spins, fermions) Anderson'58, Altshuler et al'97, Gornyi et al'05, Basko et al'05, Oganesyan, Huse'07



Quasi-local integrals of motion $[\hat{\tau}_i^z, \hat{H}] = 0$

$$H = \sum_i \tilde{h}_i \tau_i^z + \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \tau_i^z \tau_j^z + \sum_{i,j,k} J_{ijk} \tau_i^z \tau_j^z \tau_k^z + \dots$$

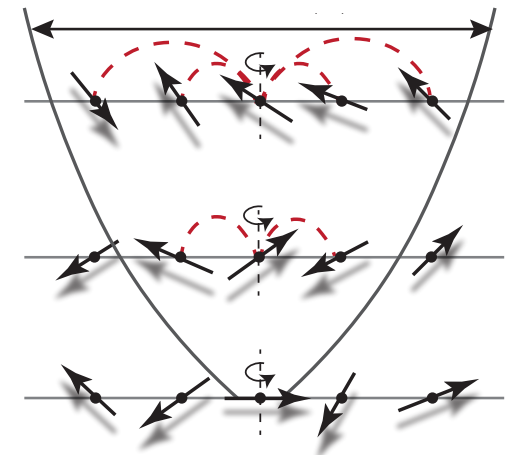
Serbyn, Papic, DA'13; Oganesyan, Huse'13 Imbrie'16



Eigenstates: **area-law entangled**

Tensor-network algorithms Chandran et al'15, Serbyn et al'16, Khemani et al'16, Wahl et al'17,'19,...

$$x_{\text{ent}}(t) \sim \log t$$



Quantum quench

$$S_{\text{ent}}(t) \sim \log(t)$$

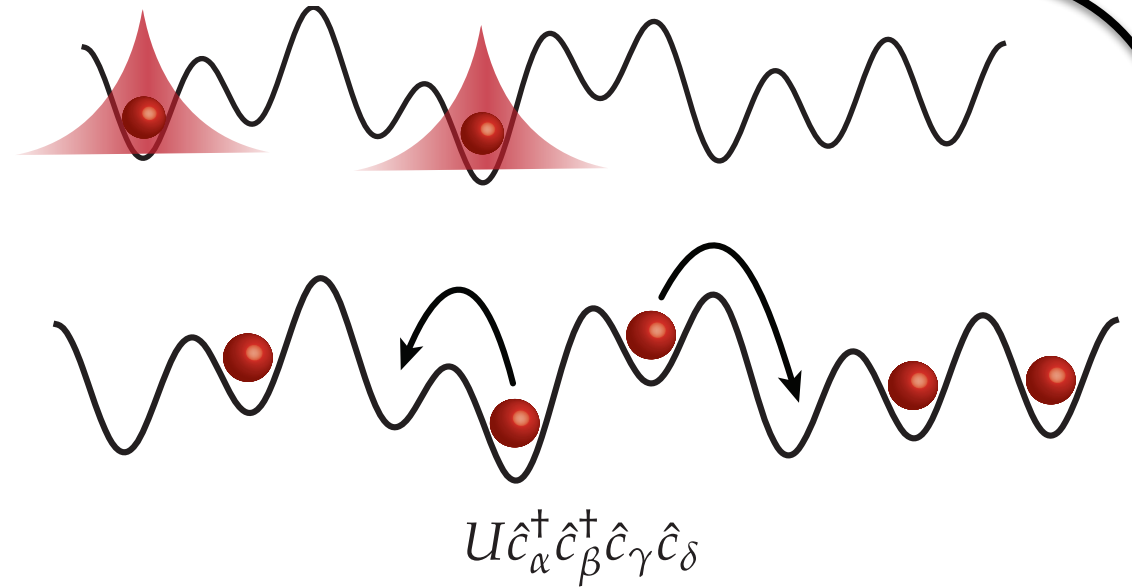
Thermalisation



- Forget initial state
- Quantum information scrambled

“Good thermal bath”

Many-body localisation



- Memory of initial state preserved
- Quantum coherence protected

“Bad bath”

Prethermalization

- Parameterically slow thermalisation
- Approximate integrals of motion
- High-frequency driving

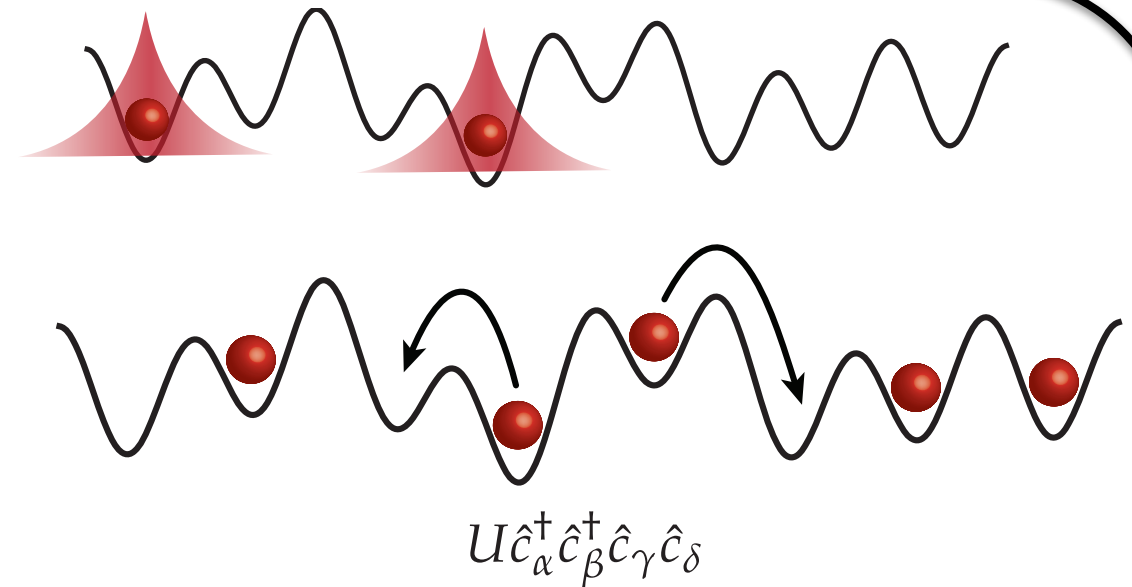
Weak ergodicity breaking

- Quantum scars: special non-thermal states
- Fracturing..

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Many-body localisation



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Describe *quantum-bath* properties of a many-body system?

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Influence matrix and temporal entanglement:
A connection with open quantum systems

Characterising a quantum bath by influence functional

ANNALS OF PHYSICS: **24**, 118–173 (1963)

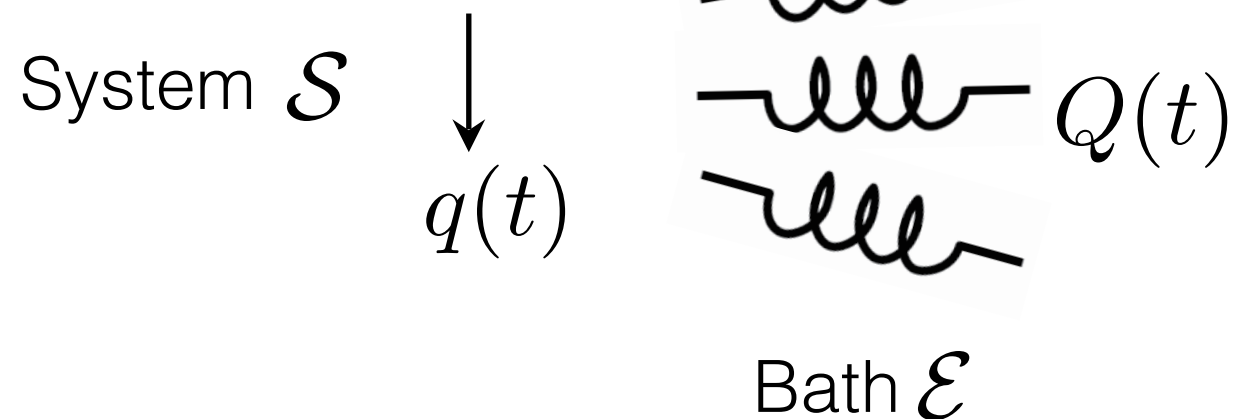
The Theory of a General Quantum System Interacting with a Linear Dissipative System

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Integrate out bath $\rightarrow$ **influence functional**

$$\mathcal{I}[q(t), \bar{q}(t)] = \int e^{iS_{\mathcal{E}}[Q(t)] - iS_{\mathcal{E}}[\bar{Q}(t)]} e^{iS_{SE}[\textcolor{blue}{q}(t), Q(t)] - iS_{SE}[\textcolor{blue}{\bar{q}}(t), \bar{Q}(t)]} \mathcal{D}Q(t) \mathcal{D}\bar{Q}(t)$$

↑
forward trajectory
↑
backward trajectory

Nonlocal in time functional of system trajectory

Encodes **memory of the bath**

Previous work: bath — many independent oscillators

Dynamics of the dissipative two-state system

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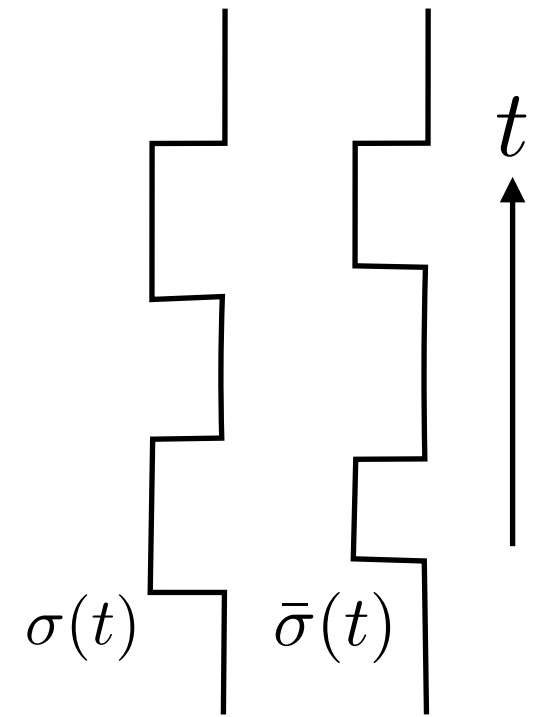
$$H_{\text{SB}} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2}\hbar\Delta\sigma_x + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon\sigma_z}_{\text{system: spin}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{2}m_{\alpha}\omega_{\alpha}^2 x_{\alpha}^2 + p_{\alpha}^2/2m_{\alpha} \right)}_{\text{bath: oscillators}} + \frac{1}{2}q_0\sigma_z \sum_{\alpha} C_{\alpha}x_{\alpha} \cdot \underbrace{\text{interaction}} \quad (1.4)$$

This talk: many-body system itself viewed as bath

Influence functional (IF): intuition

Classical trajectories: $\sigma(t) = \bar{\sigma}(t)$

Quantum trajectories (interference contributions) $\sigma(t) \neq \bar{\sigma}(t)$



Keldysh: forward,
backward trajectories

Example: Interaction with a classical noise

$$\delta H = \xi(t) \sigma^z(t)$$

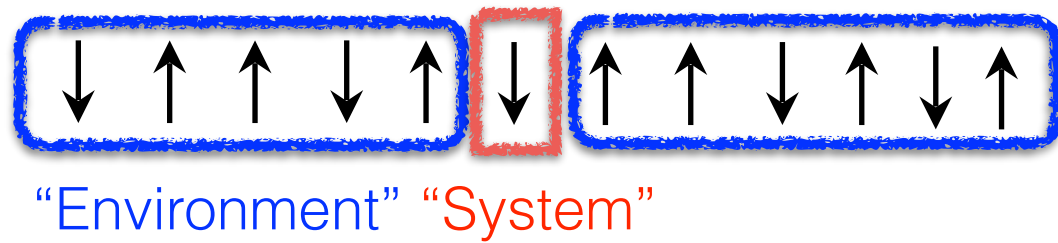
$$\langle \xi(t) \xi(t') \rangle \propto F(t - t')$$

Influence functional:

$$\mathcal{I}(\sigma(t), \bar{\sigma}(t')) = e^{-\int dt dt' (\sigma(t) - \bar{\sigma}(t)) \boxed{G(t - t')} (\sigma(t') - \bar{\sigma}(t'))}$$

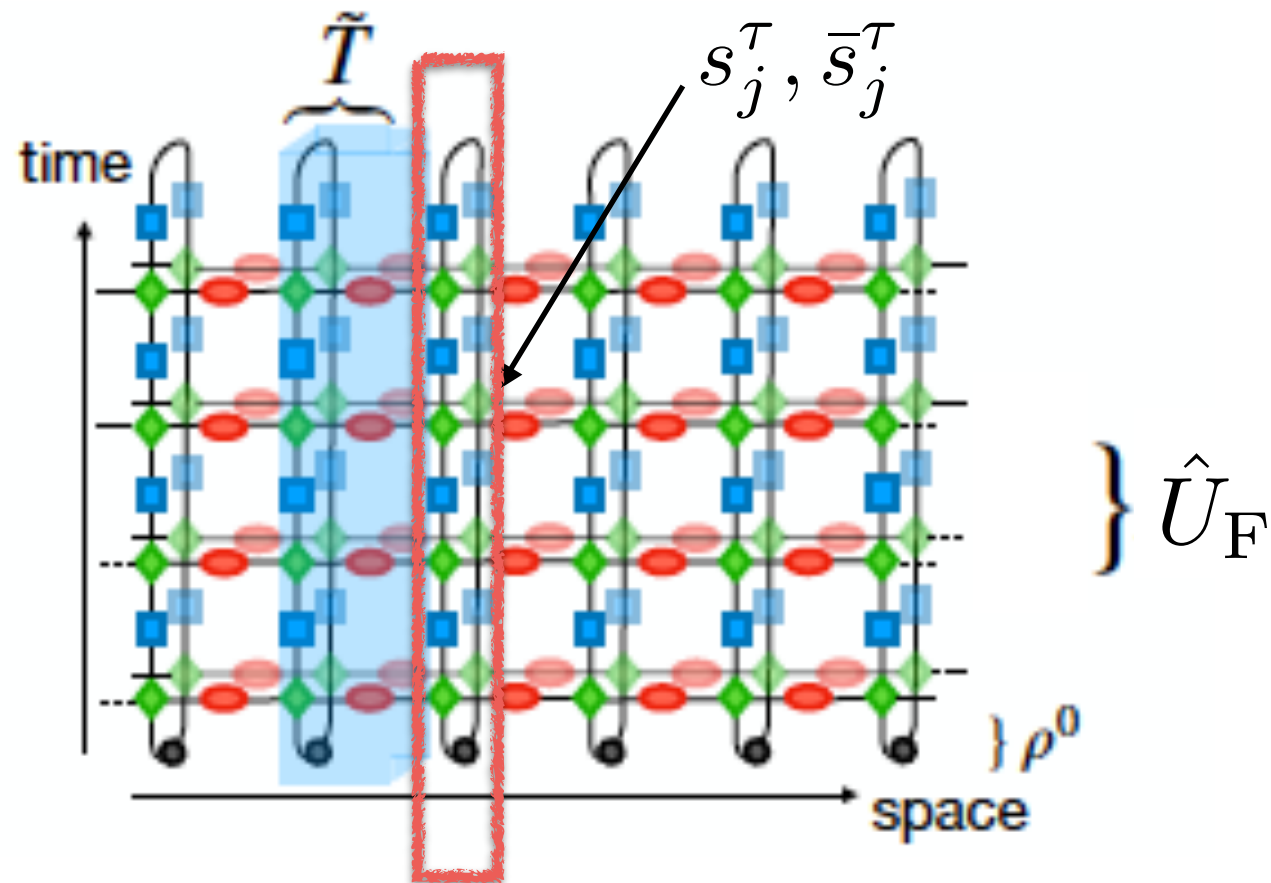
“Measurement” (by classical noise, or q-bath) suppresses quantum trajectories

Influence matrix: tensor-network representation



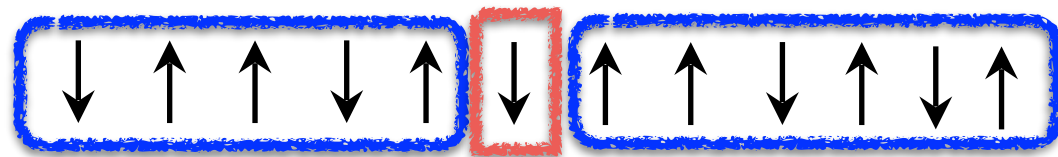
Floquet spin chain

$$\hat{U}_F = e^{iJ \sum_i Z_i Z_{i+1}} e^{ih \sum_i Z_i} e^{ig \sum_i X_i}$$



Keldysh evolution
tensor-network

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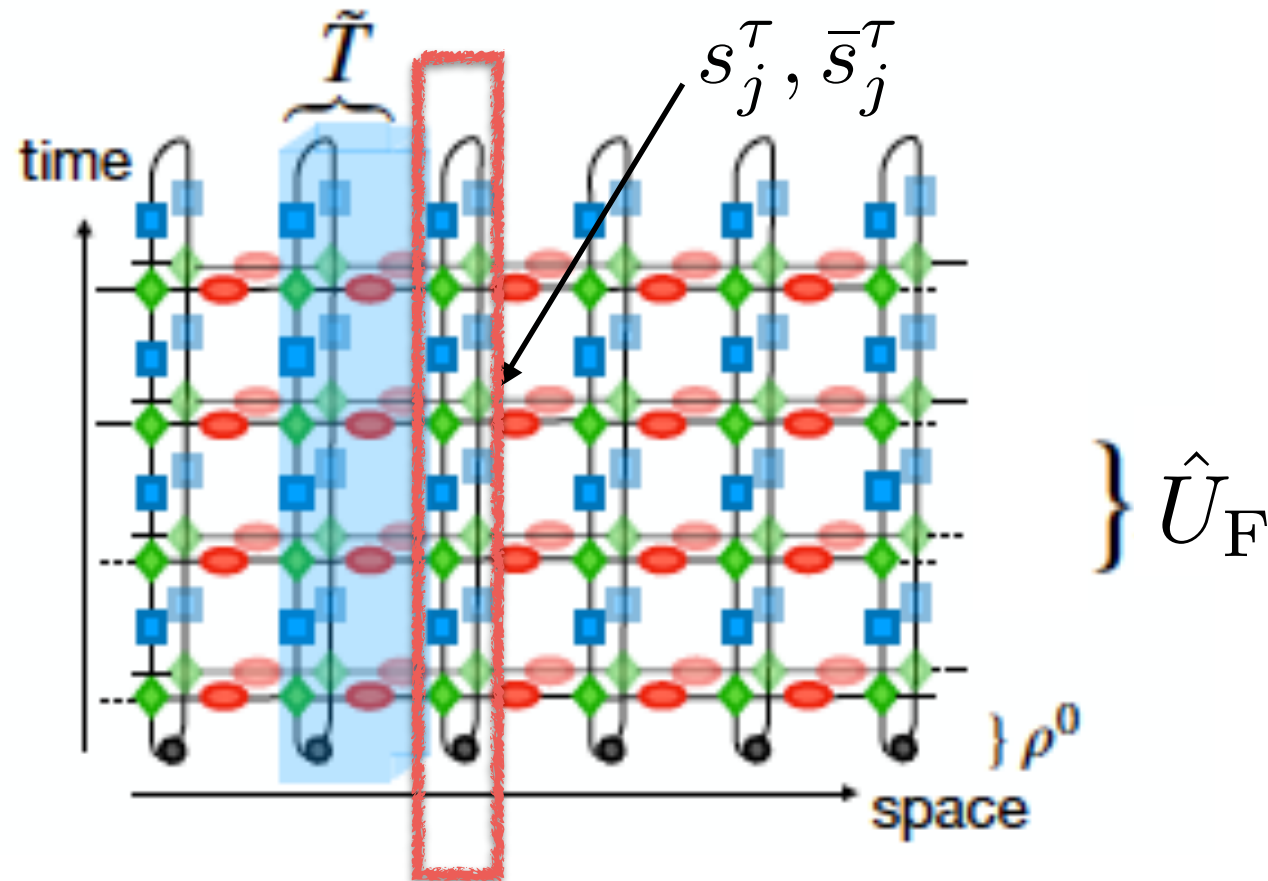


“Environment” “System”

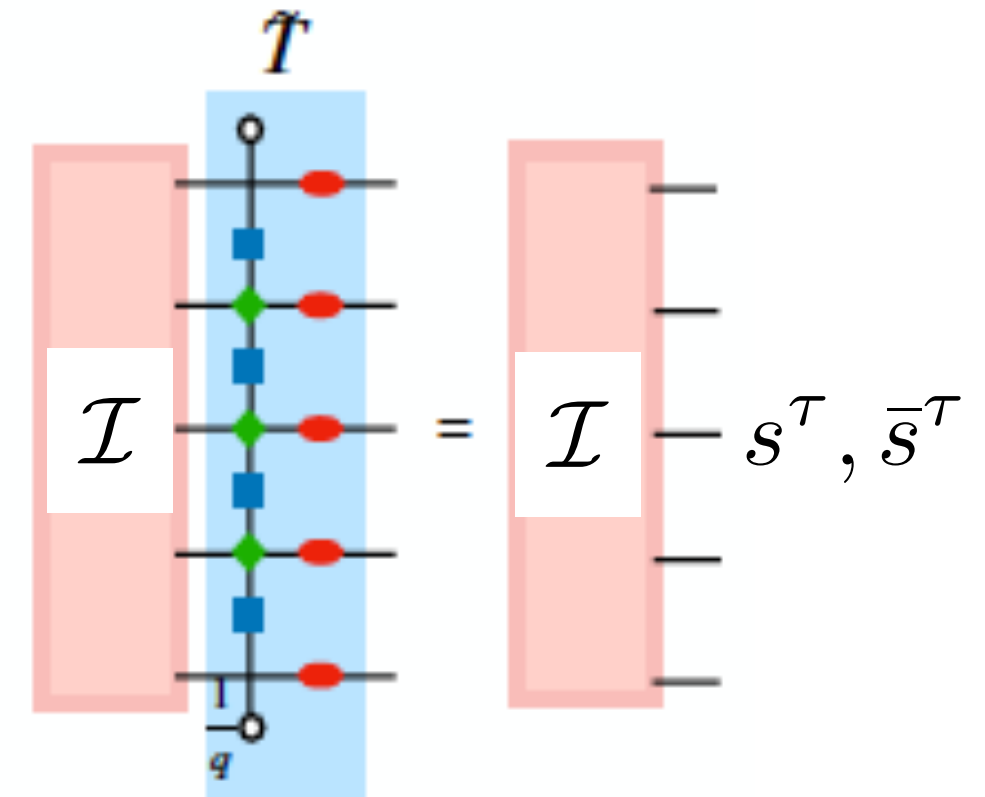
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X_i, Y_i, Z_i Pauli matrices for spin i



Keldysh evolution tensor-network



Influence matrix is an eigenvector of a dual transfer matrix

“wave function” of a temporal spin chain

$$|\mathcal{I}\rangle = \sum_{\{s^\tau, \bar{s}^\tau\}} \mathcal{I}(s^1, \bar{s}^1, \dots, s^t, \bar{s}^t) |s^1, \bar{s}^1, \dots, s^t, \bar{s}^t\rangle$$

Lerose, Sonner, DA, PRX'21

Transverse TN contraction: Banuls et al'10

Complexity of the influence matrix and temporal entanglement

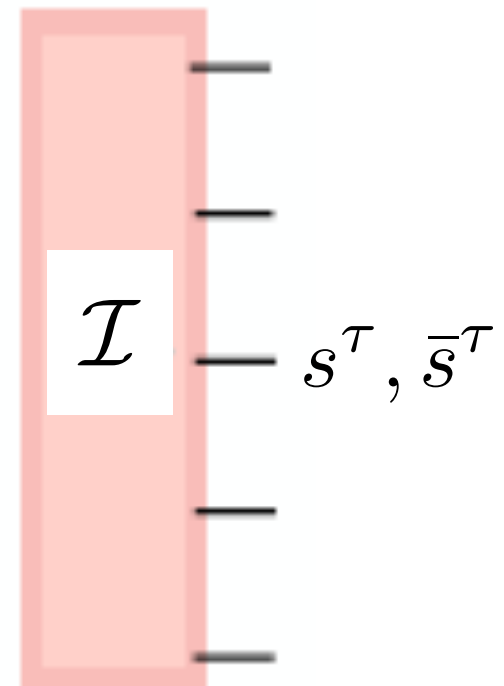
Influence matrix is a “**wave function**” (in time)

Minimal complexity for computing dynamics of local observables

**can be smaller than full wave function complexity*

Temporal entanglement structure and scaling with t ?

If area law, $S_{\text{temp}}(t) < C \longrightarrow$ describe efficiently with tensor-networks

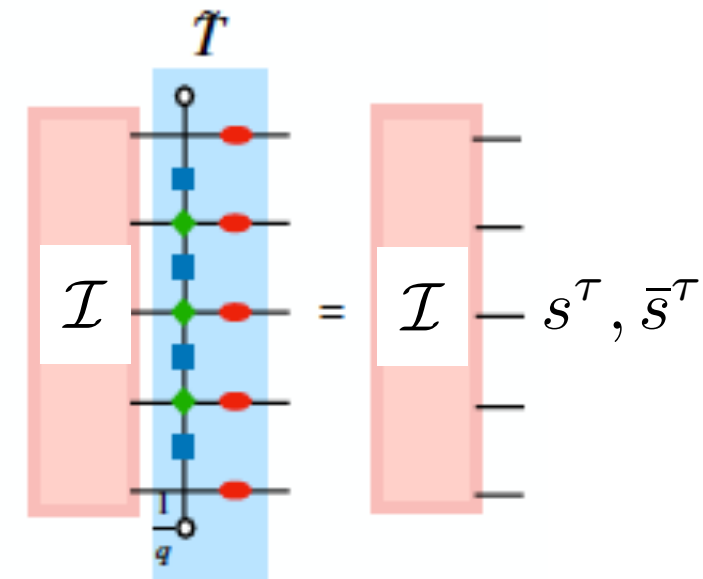


Exact solutions

Perfect dephaser: exactly solvable chaotic dynamics

$$\hat{U}_F = e^{iJ \sum_i Z_i Z_{i+1}} e^{ih \sum_i Z_i} e^{ig \sum_i X_i}$$

For $|g| = |J| = \pi/4$, $\forall h$, solve eigenvalue eqn exactly



“Perfect dephaser” influence matrix

$$\mathcal{I}(\{s, \bar{s}\}) = \prod_{\tau=1}^{T-1} \delta_{s^\tau \bar{s}^\tau} \quad S_{\text{TE}}(t) = 0$$

Lerose, Sonner, DA, PRX'21

This model is chaotic if $h \neq 0$ (level repulsion)

Relation to dual-unitary circuits Akila et al'16; Bertini et al'19; Piroli et al'20

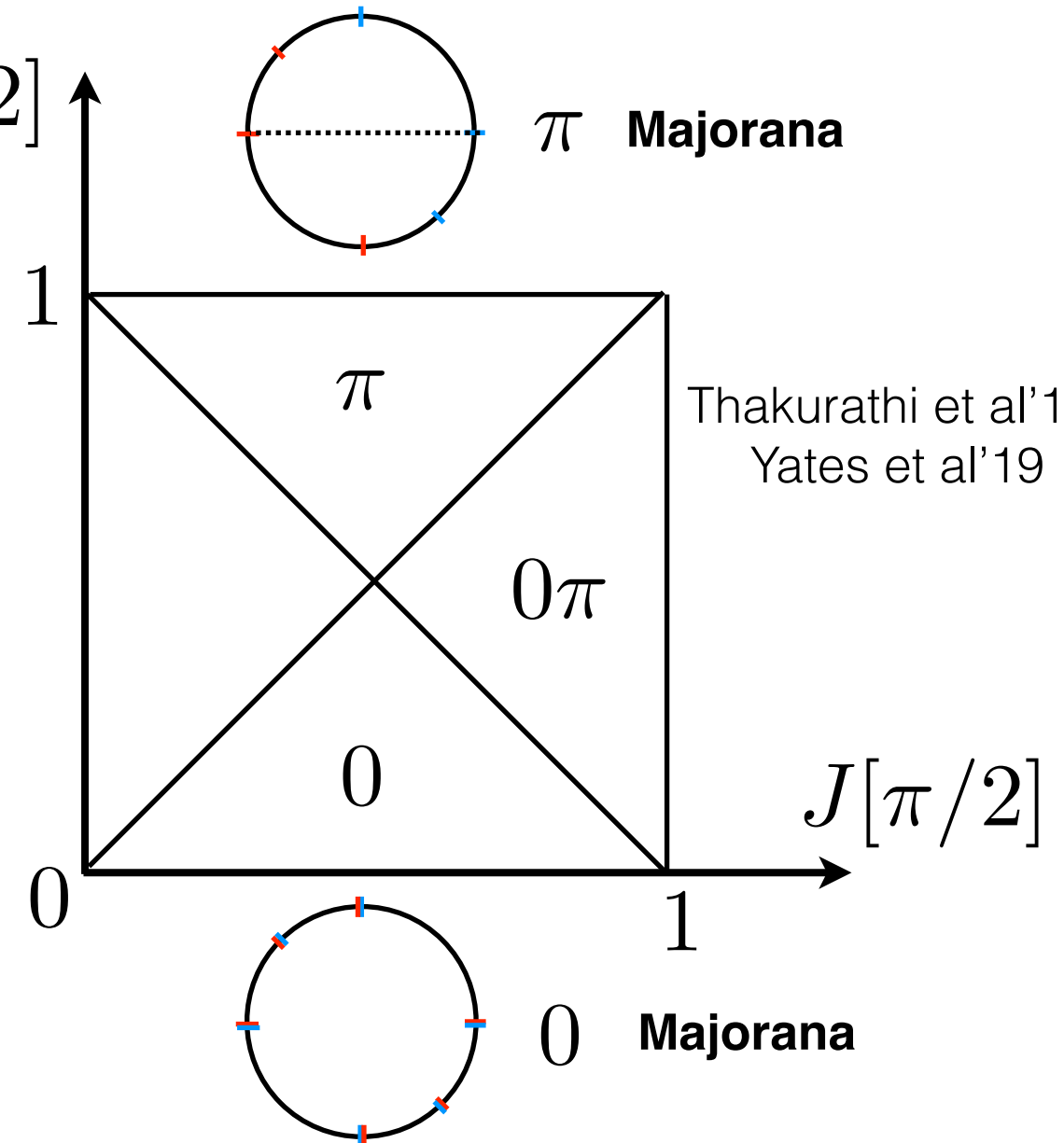
A difficult problem (chaotic dynamics, high entanglement) becomes easy

Influence matrix (IM) of an integrable model

$$\hat{U}_{F,0} = e^{iJ \sum_i Z_i Z_{i+1}} e^{ig \sum_i X_i}$$

Solve by mapping to free fermions

$$g[\pi/2]$$

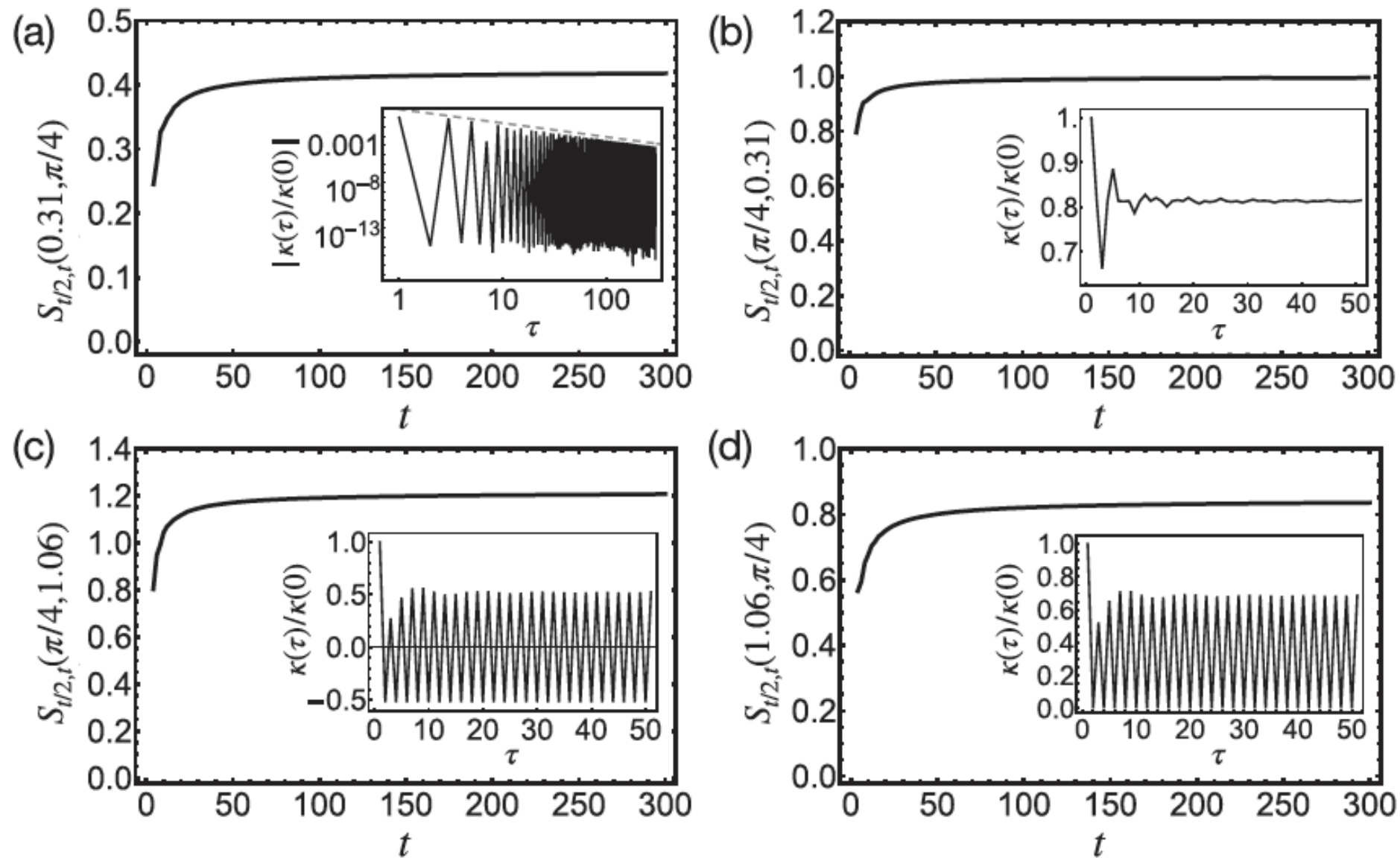


Influence matrix — BCS-like wave function
(in the space of trajectories)

$$|\mathcal{J}\rangle \propto e^{\sum_{\tau} (f_{\uparrow+, \tau}^{\dagger} f_{\downarrow+, \tau}^{\dagger} - f_{\uparrow-, \tau}^{\dagger} f_{\downarrow-, \tau}^{\dagger}) + \sum_{\tau, \tau'} \kappa(\tau' - \tau) [f_{\uparrow+, \tau}^{\dagger} f_{\uparrow-, \tau'}^{\dagger} + \Theta(\tau' - \tau) (f_{\uparrow+, \tau}^{\dagger} f_{\uparrow+, \tau'}^{\dagger} - f_{\uparrow-, \tau}^{\dagger} f_{\uparrow-, \tau'}^{\dagger})]} |\emptyset\rangle.$$

Pairing term depends on the spectral properties of **quasiparticles**

Area-law temporal entanglement of influence matrix “wave function”



Additionally, IM detects phase transitions, edge modes

Interactions in the temporal chain decay as $\kappa(\tau) \propto |\tau|^{-3/2}$

Implies area-law

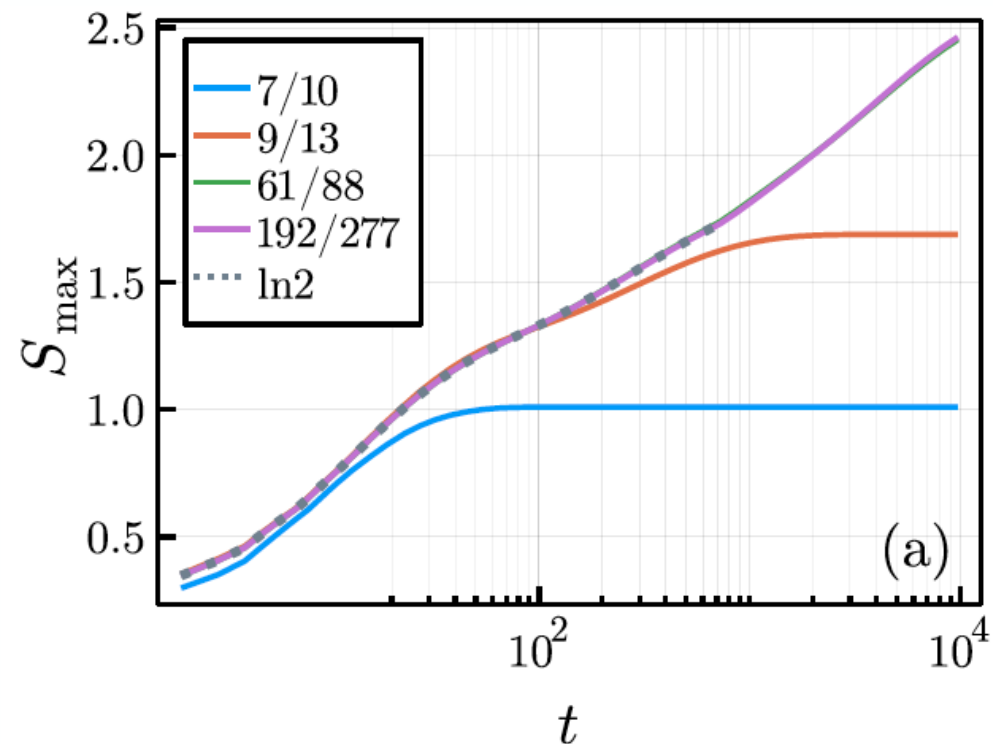
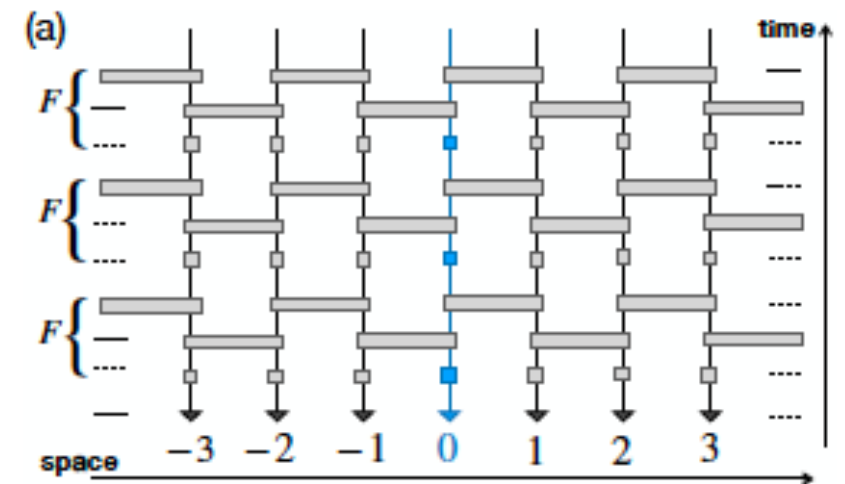
Temporal entanglement of a discretised XXZ chain

Collaboration with Piroli, Giudice, Giudici, arXiv:2112.14264, PRL'22

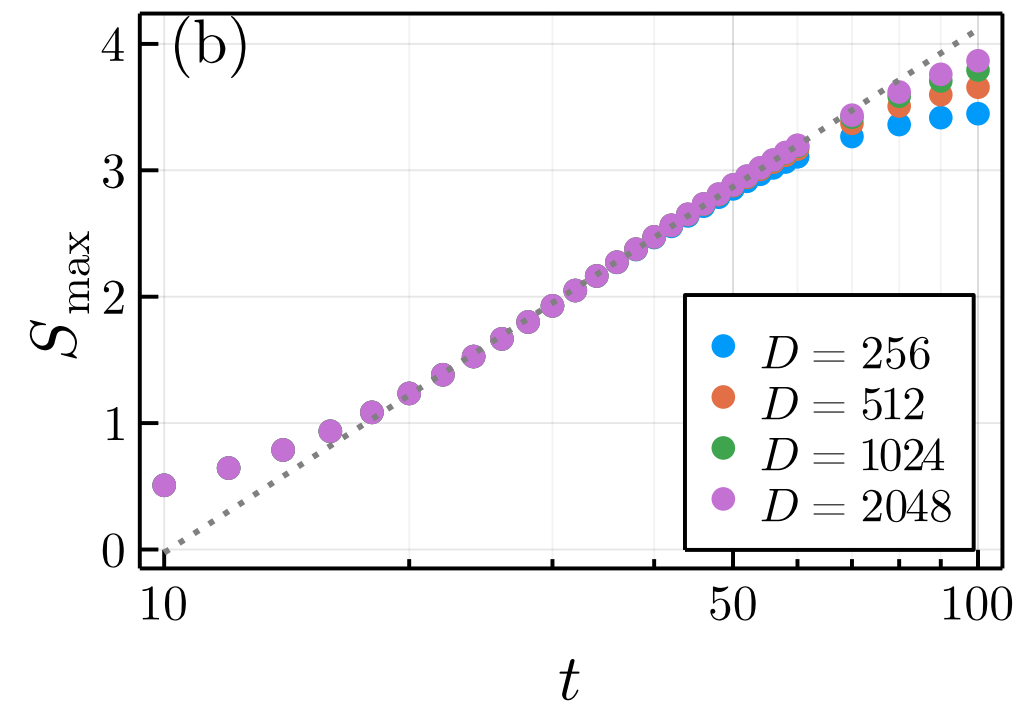
Floquet operator (integrable by Bethe ansatz)

$$F = e^{iJ(X_i X_{i+1} + Y_i Y_{i+1}) + iJ' Z_i Z_{i+1}}$$

New exact solutions $J = \pi/4, J' = \pi/4 + K$
Exact MPS



Product initial state $\bigotimes_j |+\rangle_j$



Infinite-T initial state

Temporal entanglement scaling $S_{\text{TE}} \propto \log t$

Ballistic quasiparticles $\longrightarrow$ low temporal entanglement

Thermalisation and transport

Temporal entanglement in thermalising systems

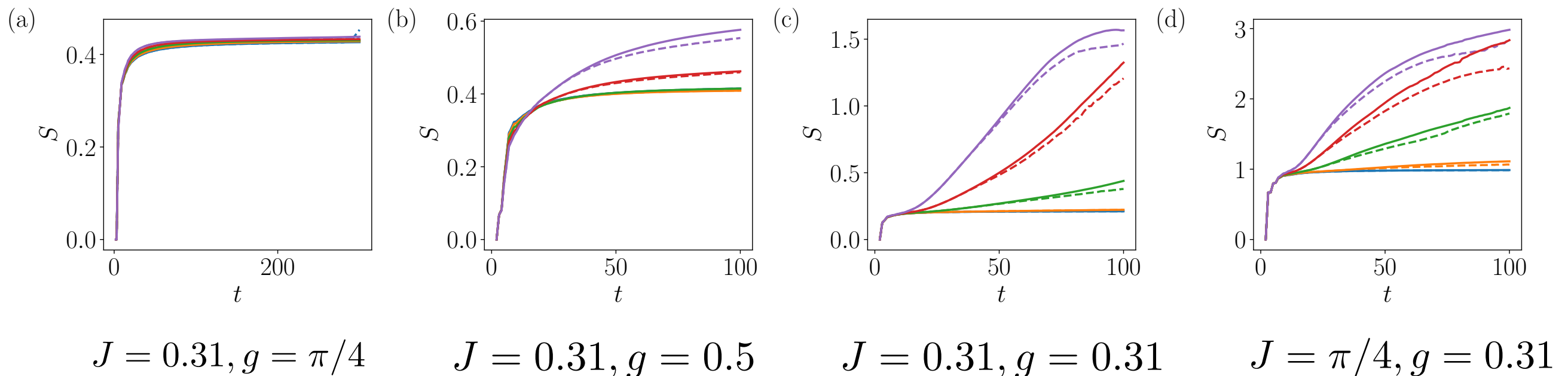
Low temporal entanglement — efficient algorithms for broken integrability

$$\hat{U}_F = e^{iJ \sum_i Z_i Z_{i+1}} e^{ih \sum_i Z_i} e^{ig \sum_i X_i}$$

MPS algorithms for IM Leroose, Sonner, DA, arXiv:2103.13741, 2201.04150; Frias-Perez, Banuls, arXiv:2201.08402

Different curves: $h = 0.02 \dots 0.18$

— $\chi = 128$
 - - - $\chi = 64$



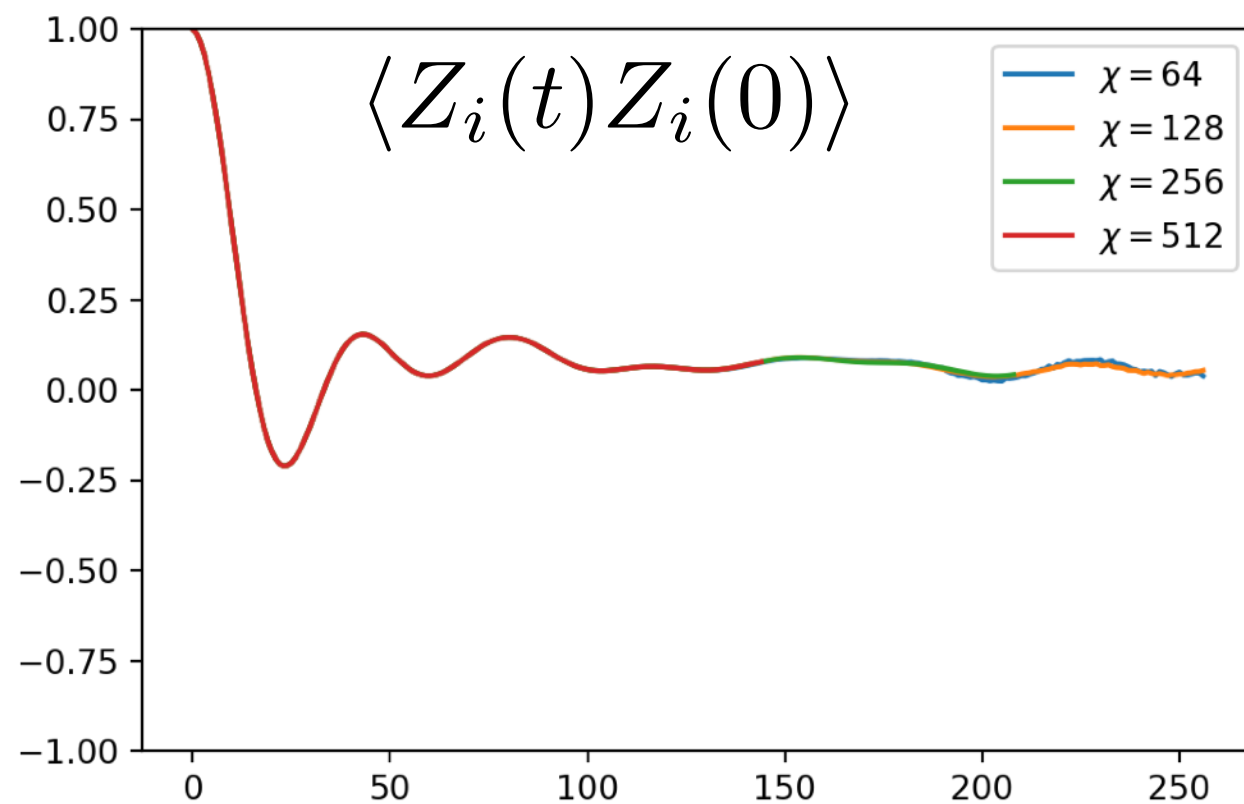
Intuitively, fast thermalisation $\longrightarrow$ short memory time of the bath

Thermalisation and transport via influence matrix

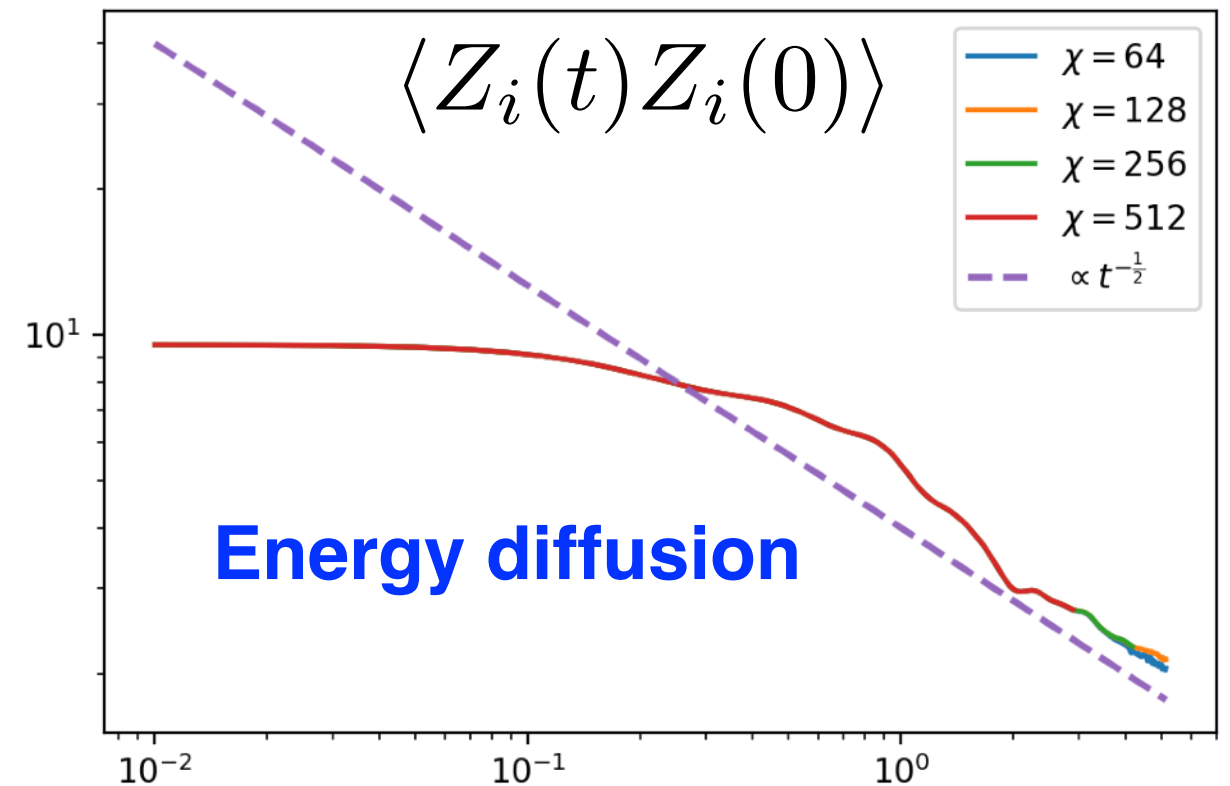
Energy transport in a thermalising model

$$H = \sum (gX_i + hZ_i + JZ_iZ_{i+1})$$

$$(g, h, J) = (0.9045, 0.8090, 1) \quad \text{Kim, Ikeda, Huse'14}$$



Number of cycles $N = t/\Delta t$



Energy diffusion

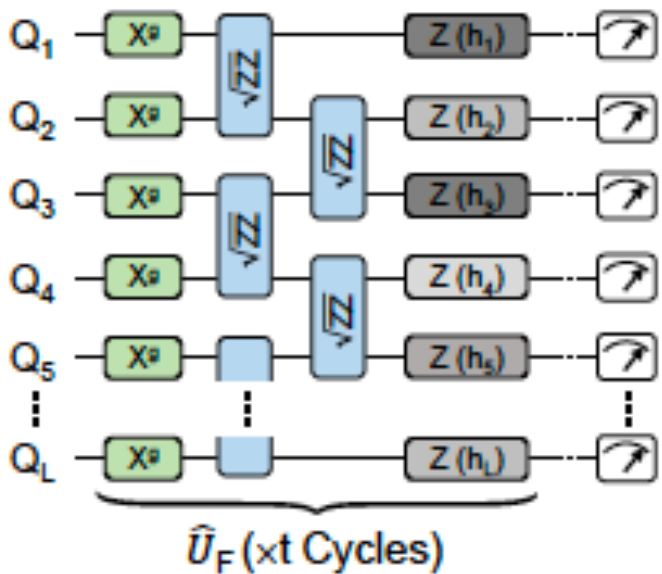
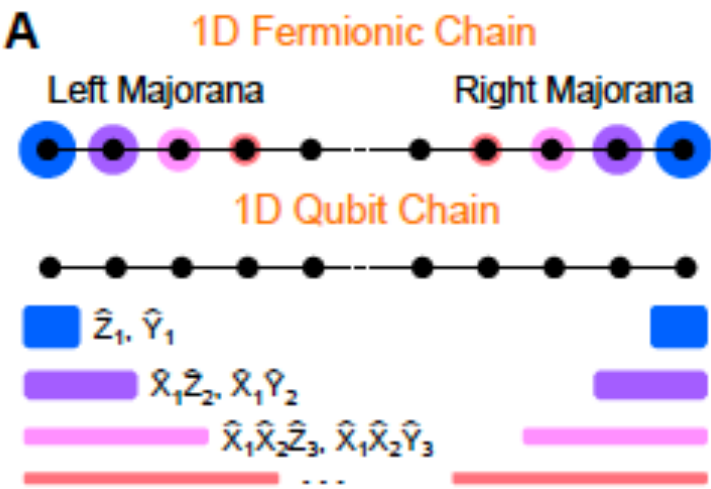
Evolution time

Modeling quantum circuits with dissipation:
Application in a recent Google experiment

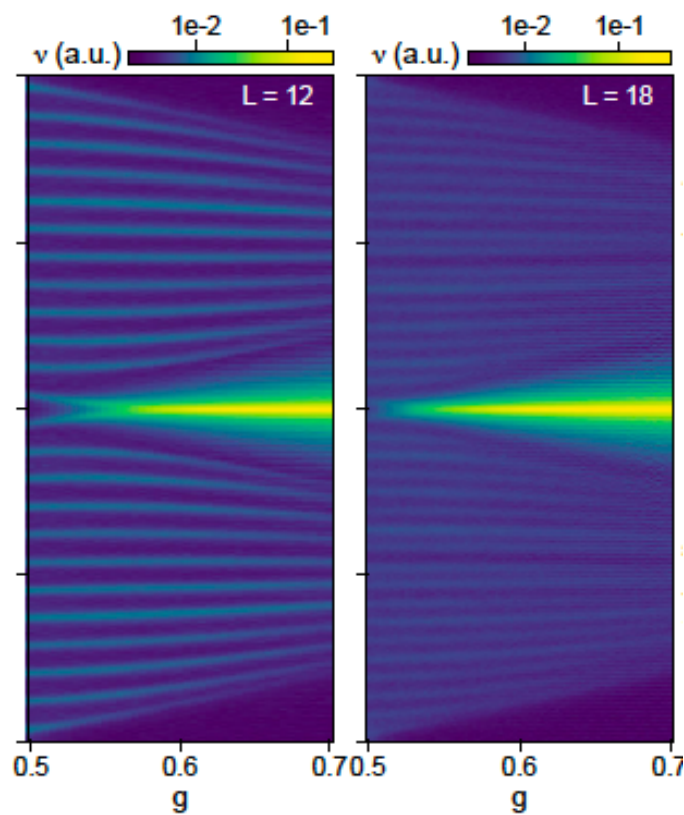
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Experimental quantum circuit



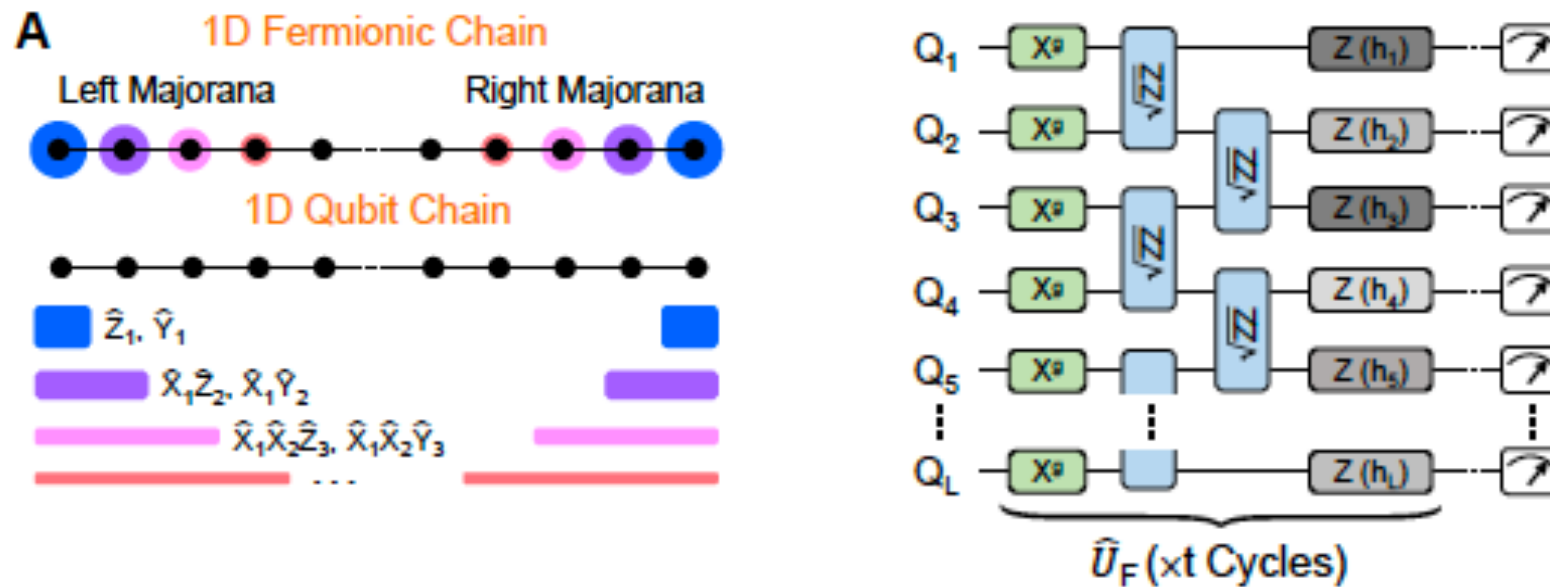
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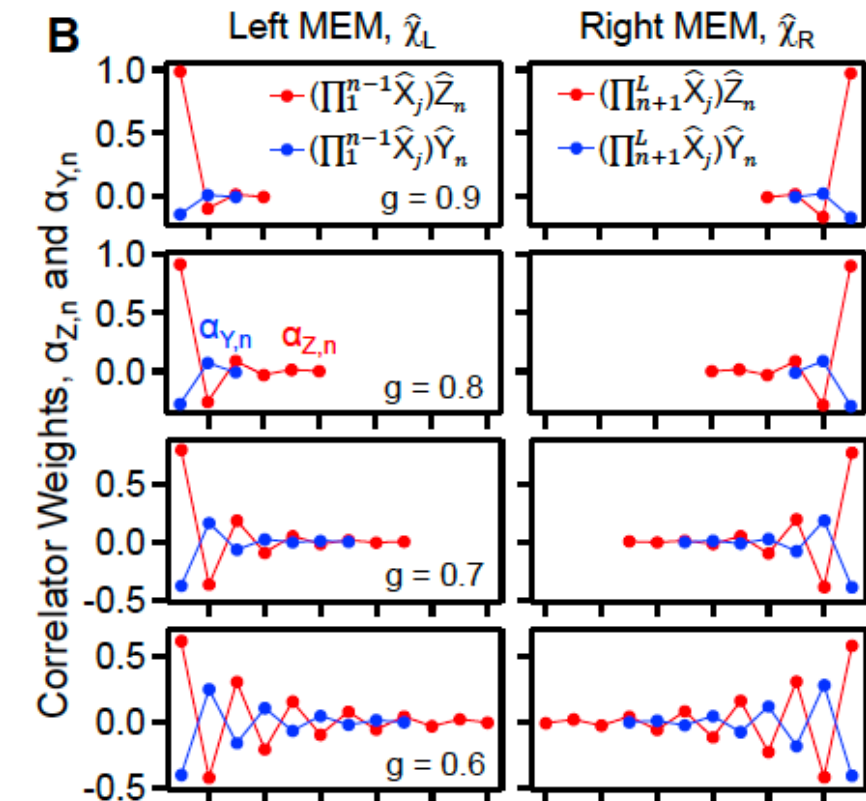
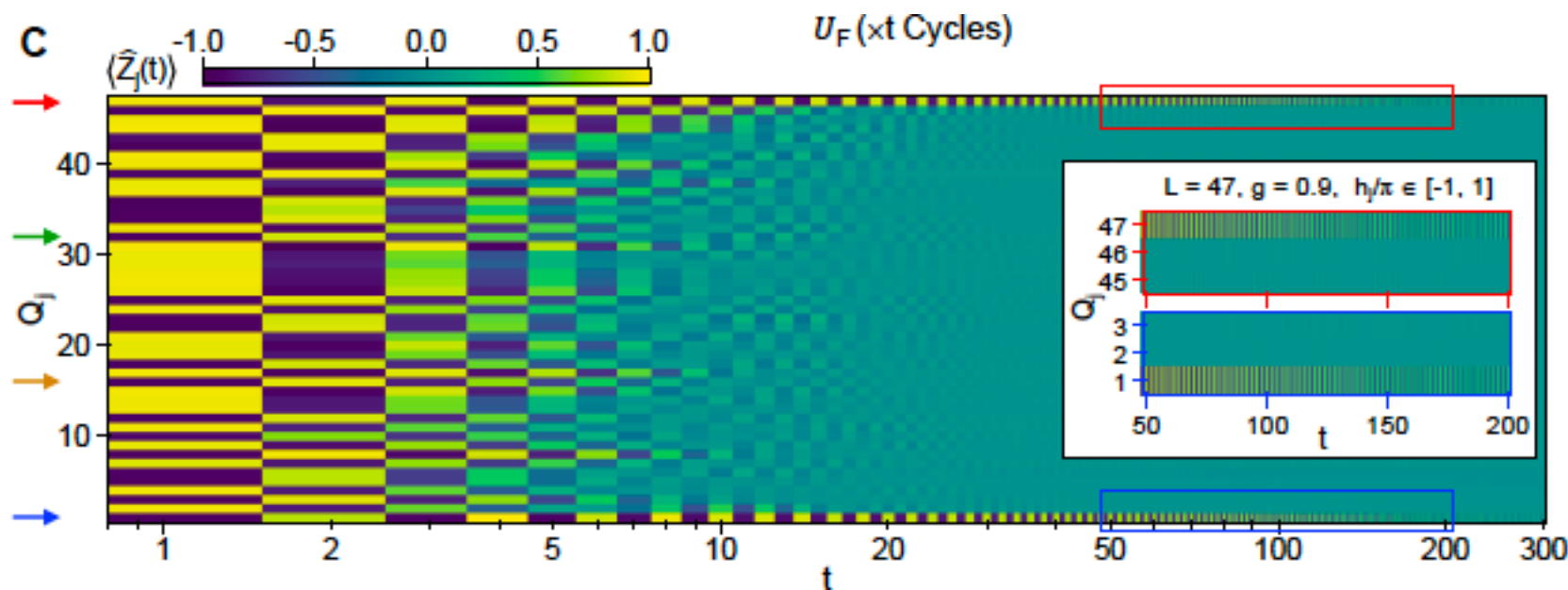
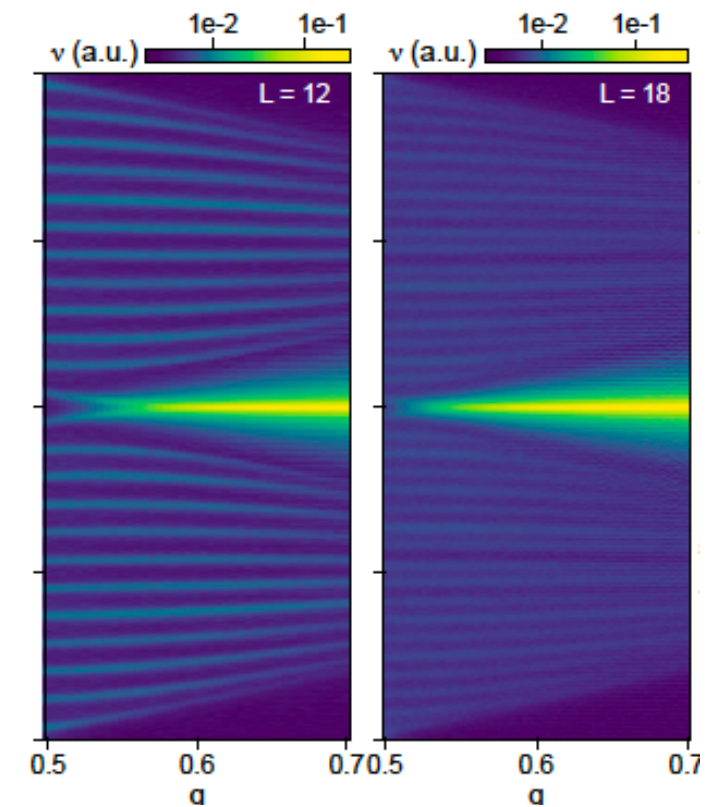
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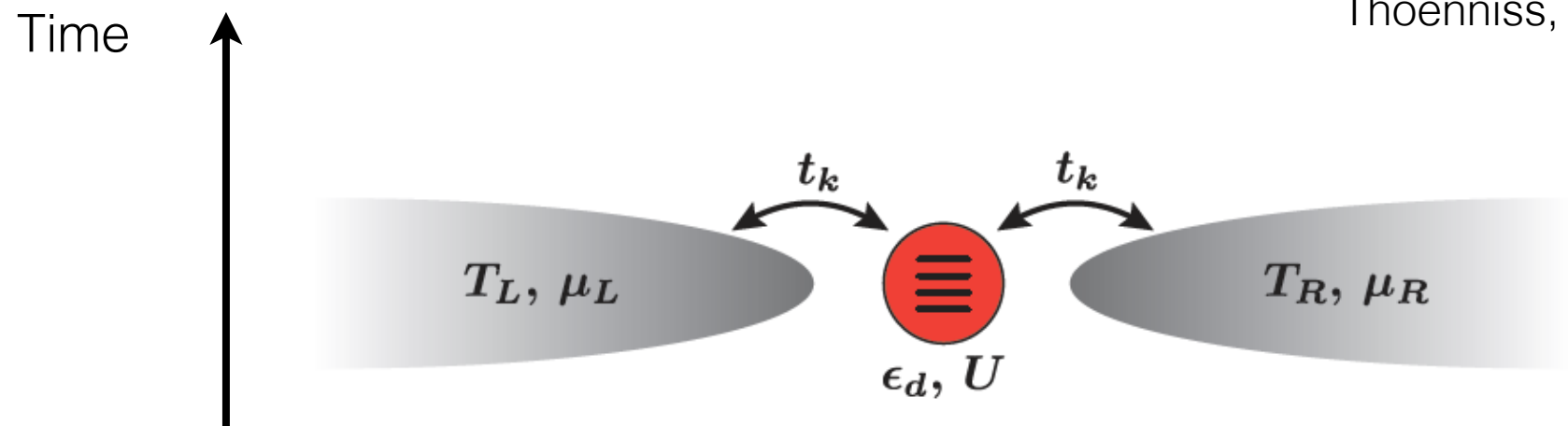


Influence matrix to describe edge modes with weak dissipation (ask for more)

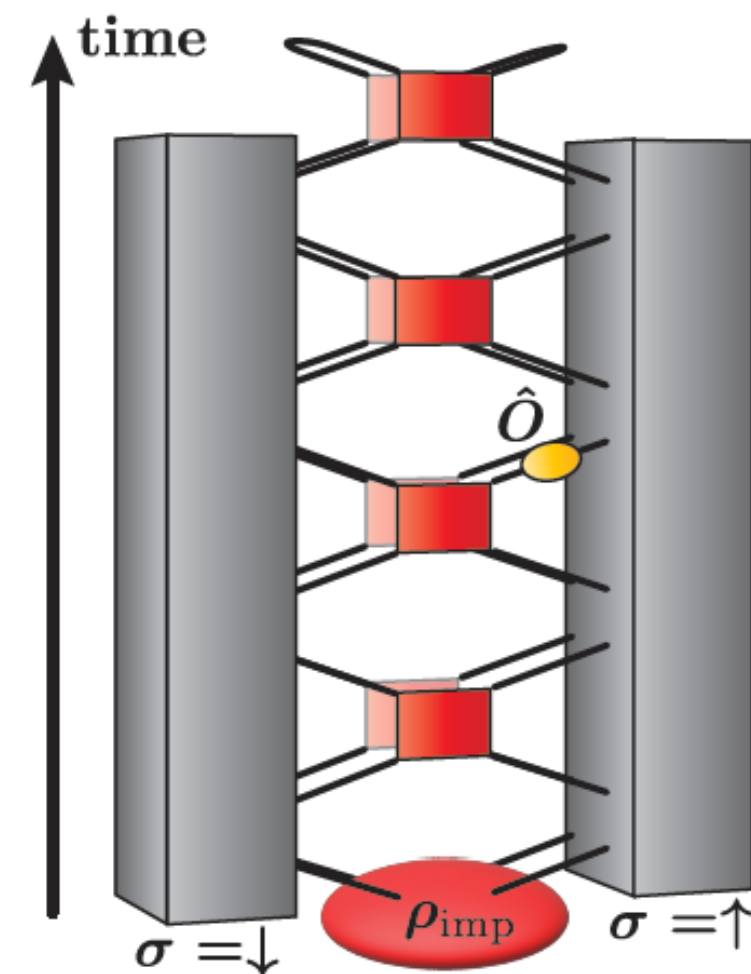
Efficient method for quantum impurity problems

Non-equilibrium quantum impurity problems

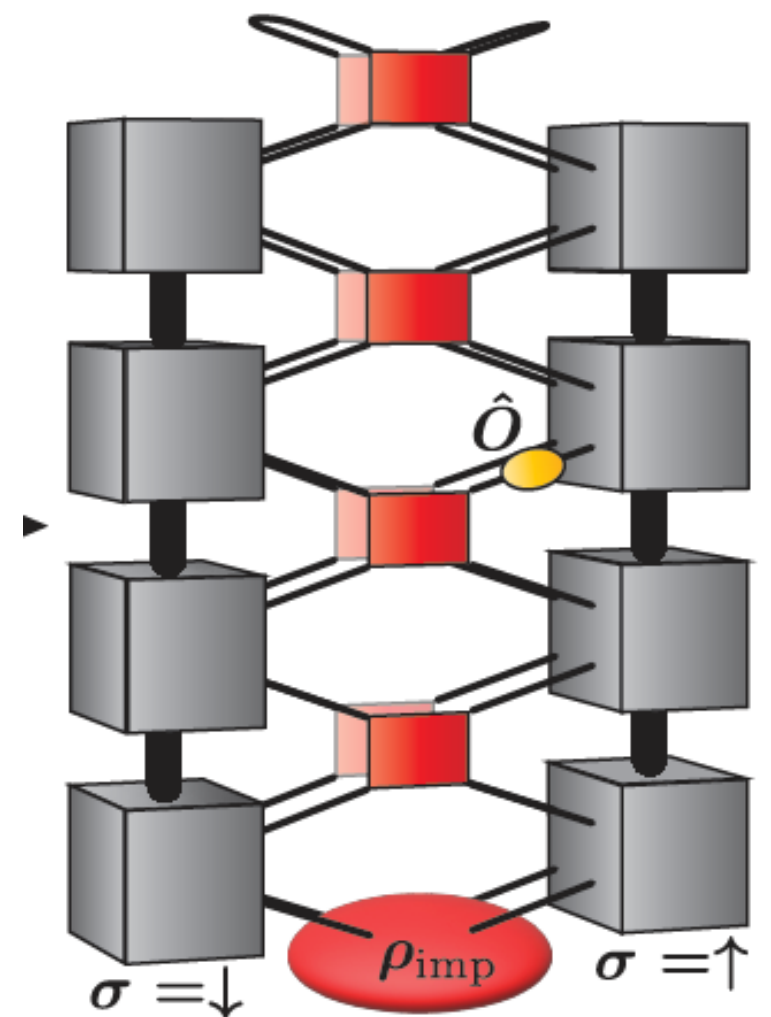
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Grassman path integral



Extend Fishman-White algorithm (2015) to convert Gaussian IM to MPS



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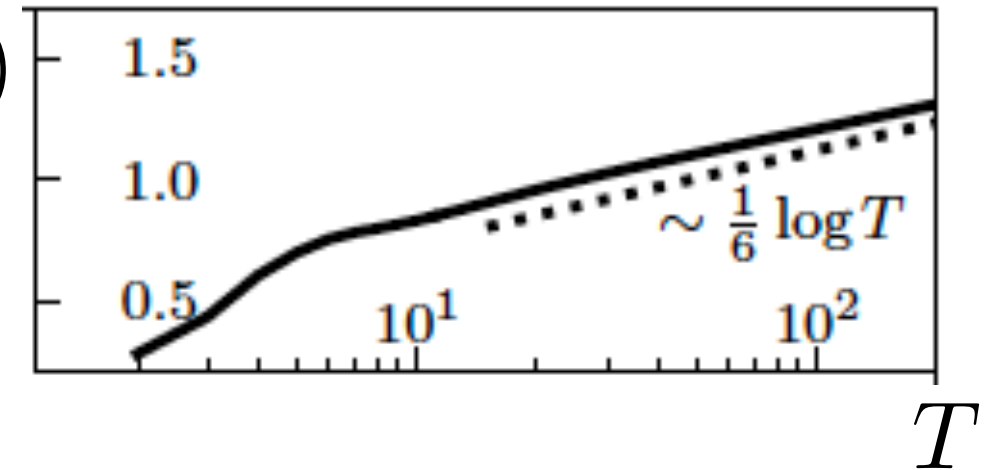
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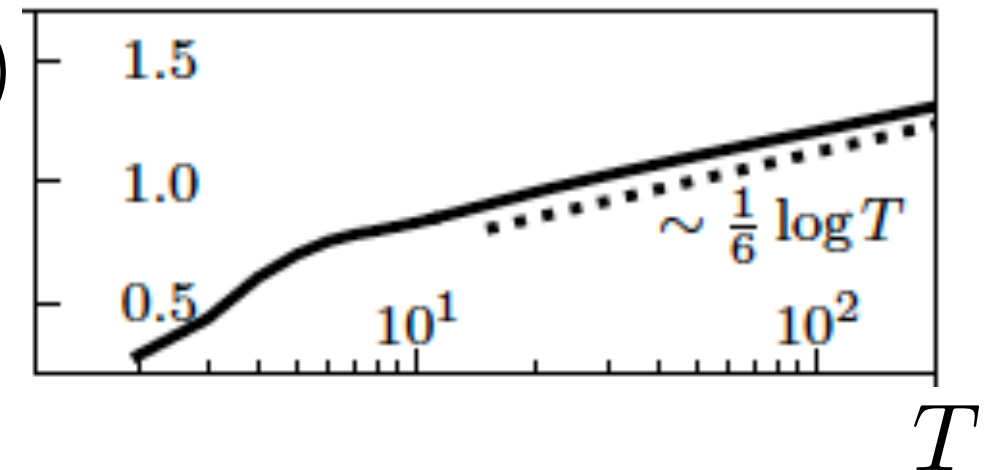
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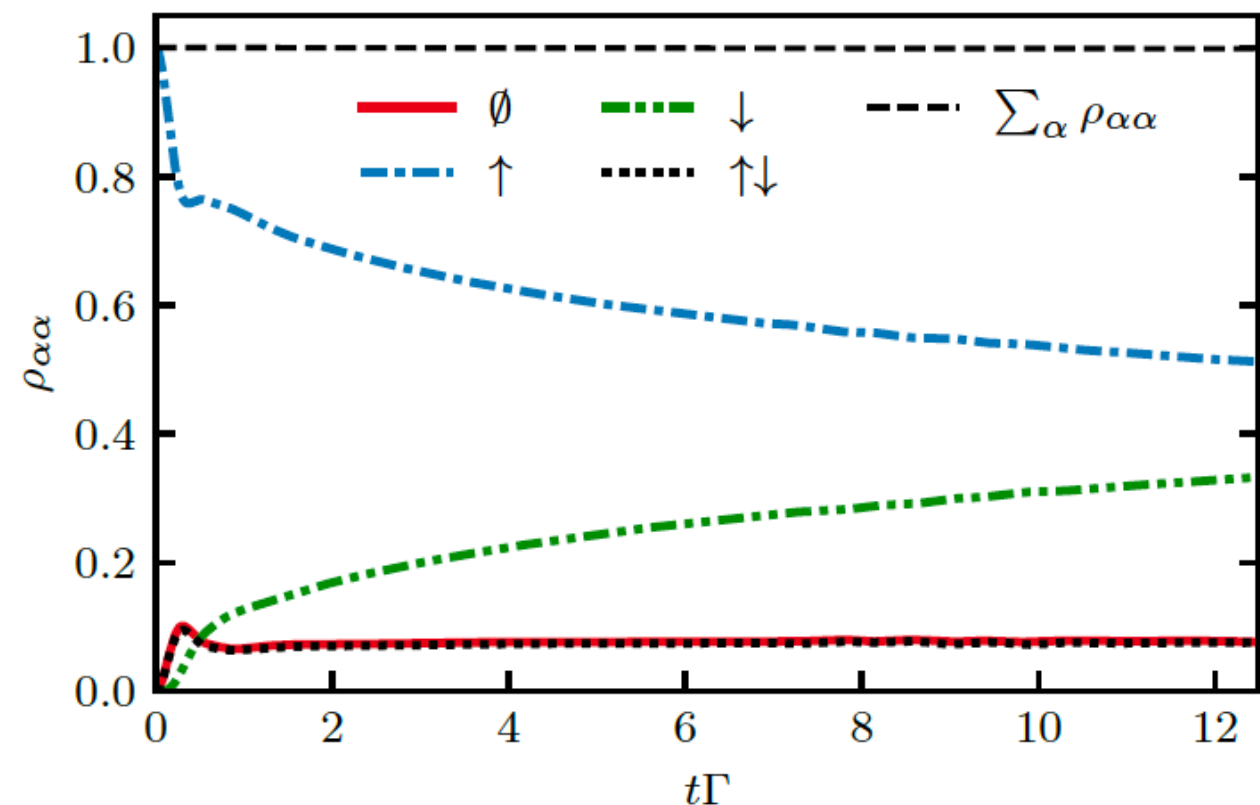
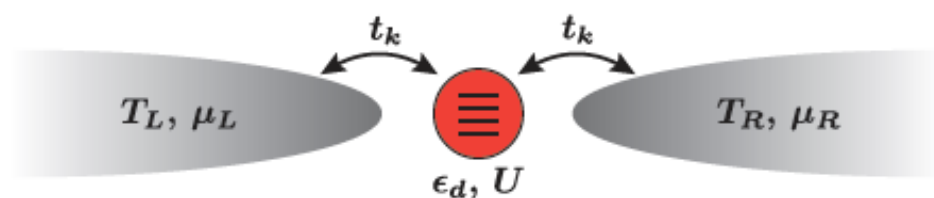
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Benchmark: quench in Anderson model

Slow dynamics — Kondo singlet formation

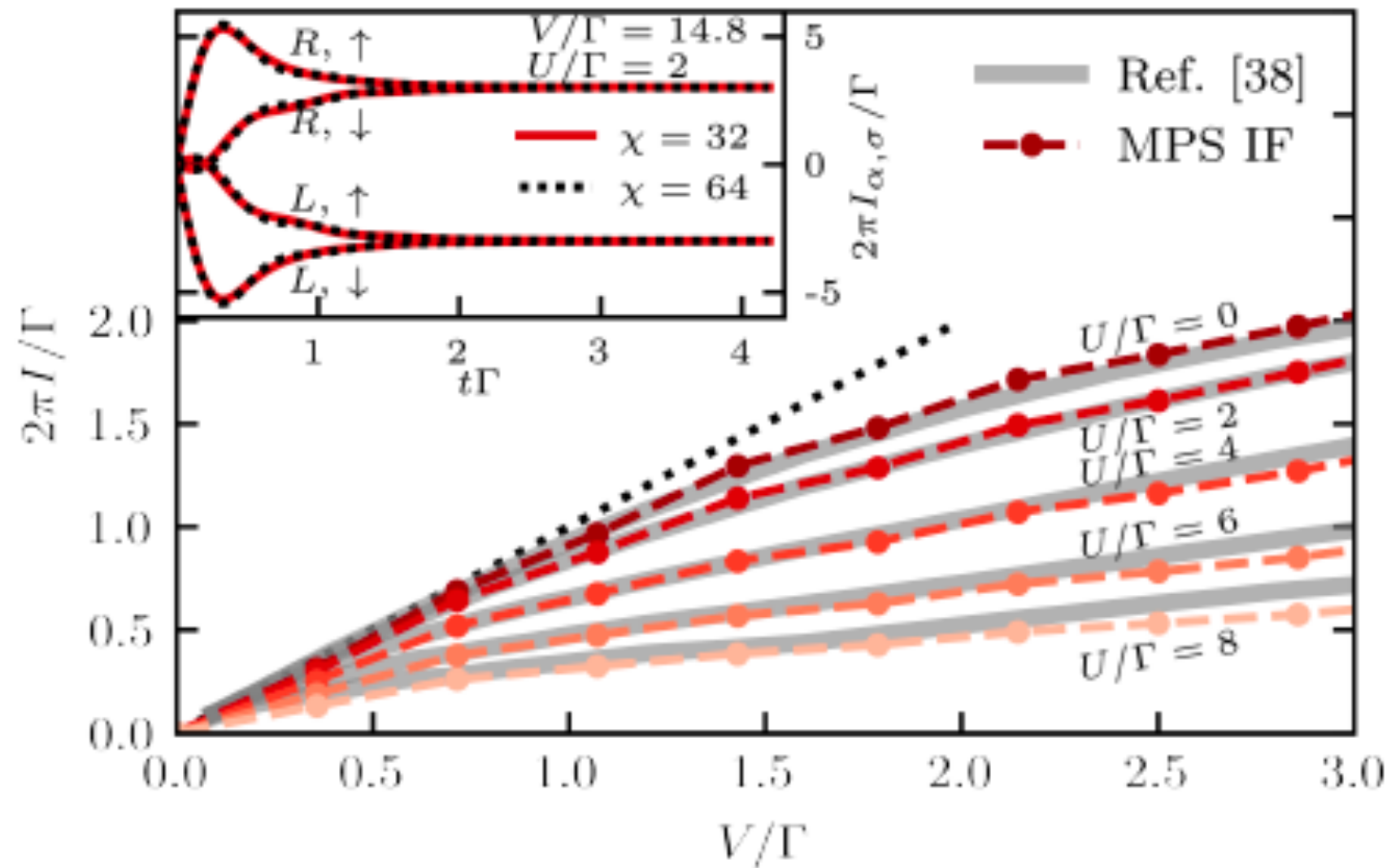
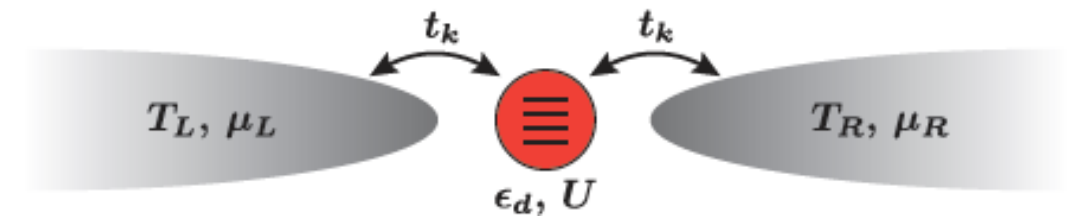


Current in an Anderson impurity model

Steady state current at large voltage bias

Approach to steady state

Low bond dimension sufficient



Next: modeling correlated materials by non-equilibrium DMFT

Disorder-averaged influence matrix and many-body
localization

Exact disorder averaging

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Disorder-averaged transfer matrix:
couples forward&backward trajectory

$$e^{ih_j(s_j^\tau - \bar{s}_j^\tau)}$$

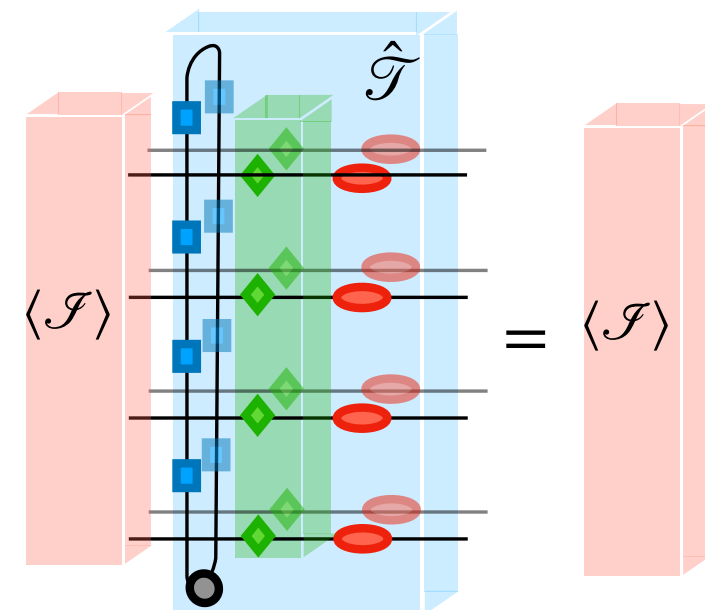
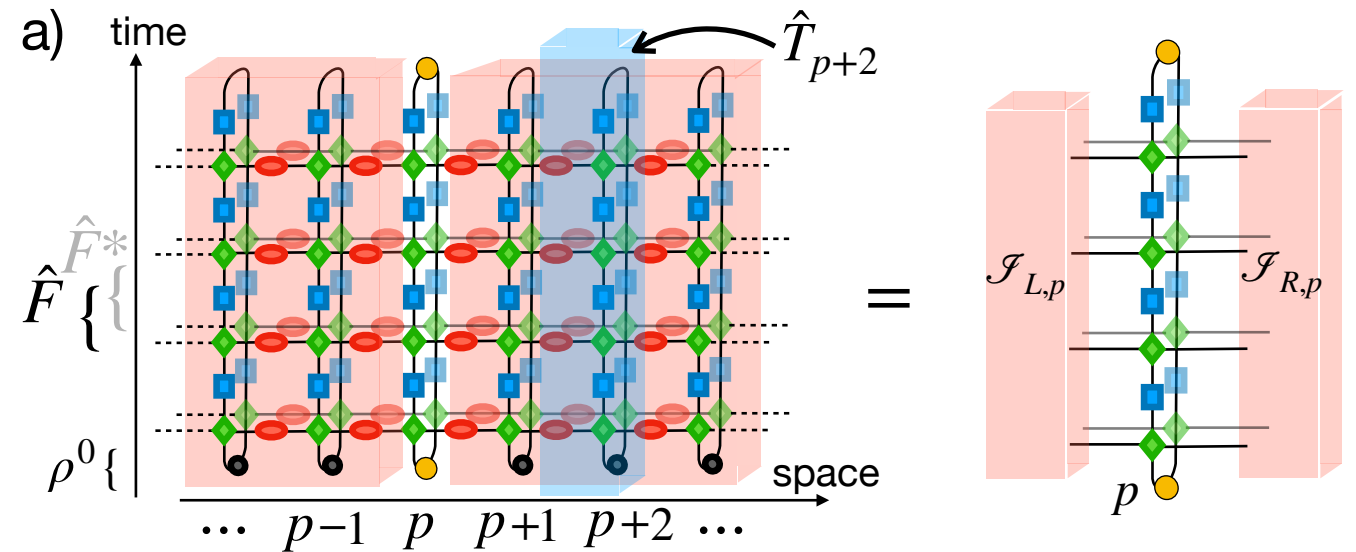
$$h_j \in [0; 2\pi)$$

$$\delta\left(\sum_{\tau=0}^{t-1}(s^\tau - \bar{s}^\tau)\right) \equiv \delta_{M,\bar{M}}$$

Self-consistency equation for
disorder-averaged influence matrix

$$\hat{\mathcal{T}}\langle\mathcal{I}\rangle = \langle\mathcal{I}\rangle$$

Includes all rare-region effects



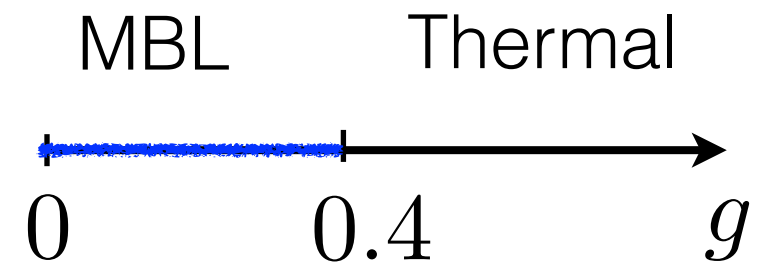
nonlocal constraint

Temporal entanglement in the MBL phase

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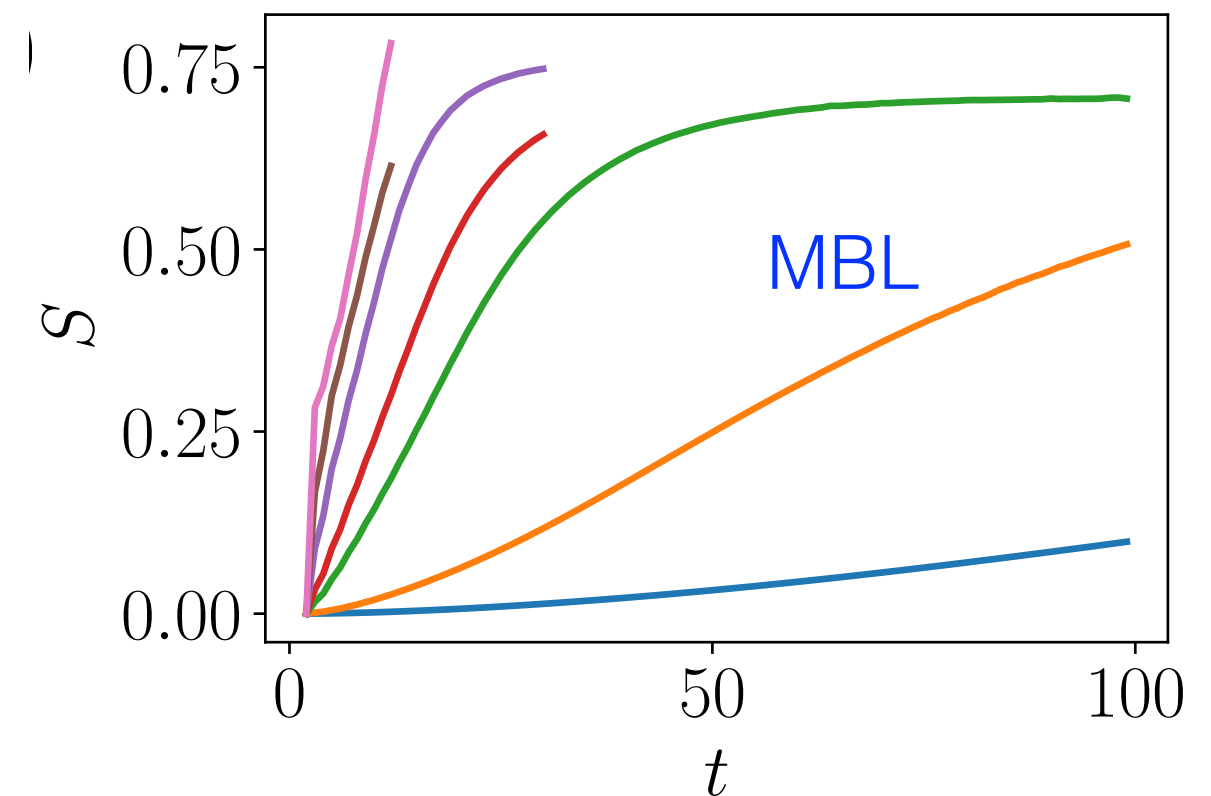
Phase diagram

$$\hat{F} = \exp \left(i \sum_j g \hat{\sigma}_j^x \right) \exp \left(i \sum_j J \hat{\sigma}_j^z \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^z + h_j \hat{\sigma}_j^z \right)$$



Temporal ent. (MPS+exact diag.)

Strongly sub-linear growth
contrast to ergodic phase (linear growth)

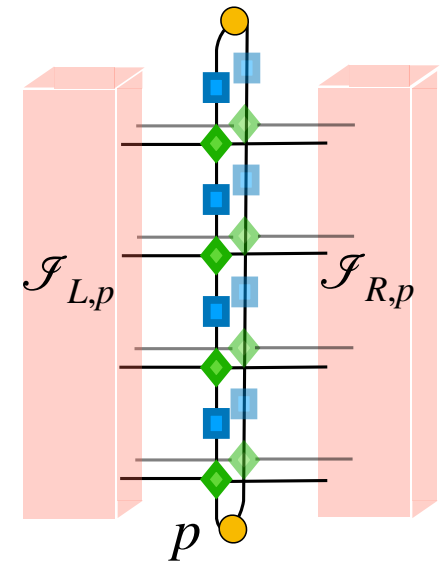


Note: ent. of an unfolded influence matrix also low

Disorder-averaged correlation functions

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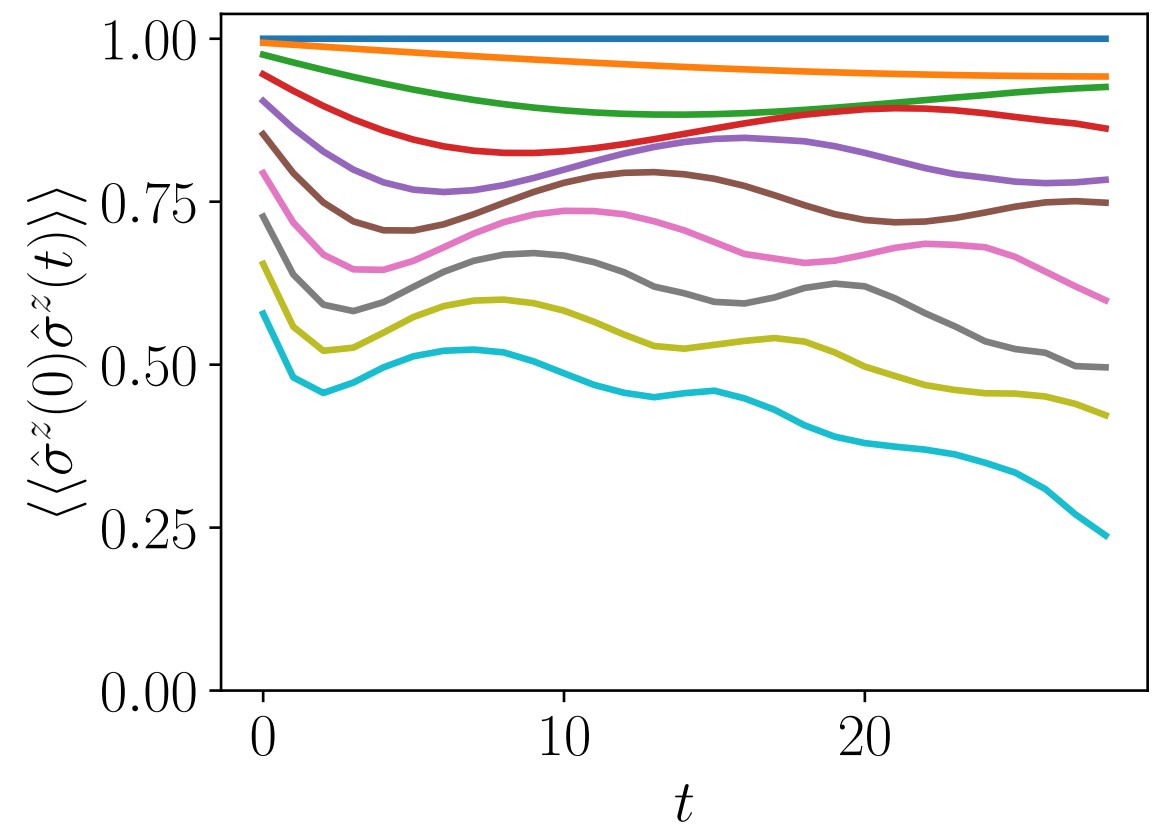
Influence matrix $\longrightarrow$ all temporal correlators



Magnetisation decay

Access to longer times in MBL phase

Disorder averaging accounted for exactly



Structure of the non-ergodic influence matrix

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Blip interactions are non-local, non-decaying (interference persists)

[vs weakly interacting blip gas in ergodic phase]

Influence matrix linked to temporal long-range order

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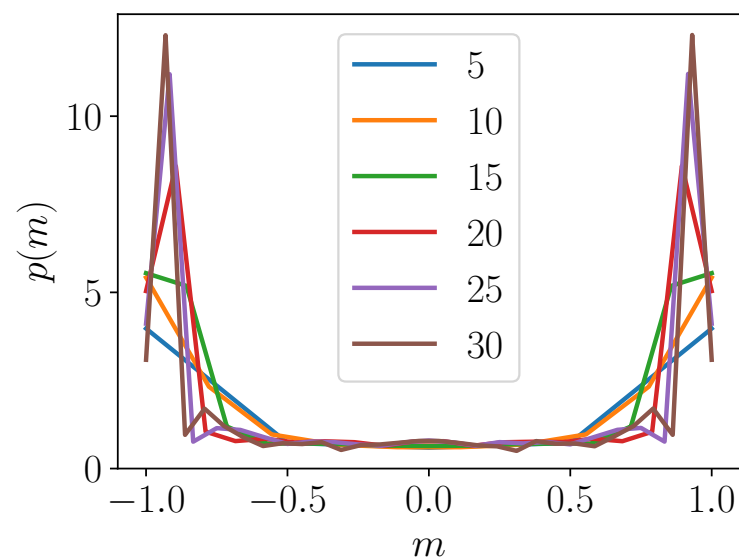
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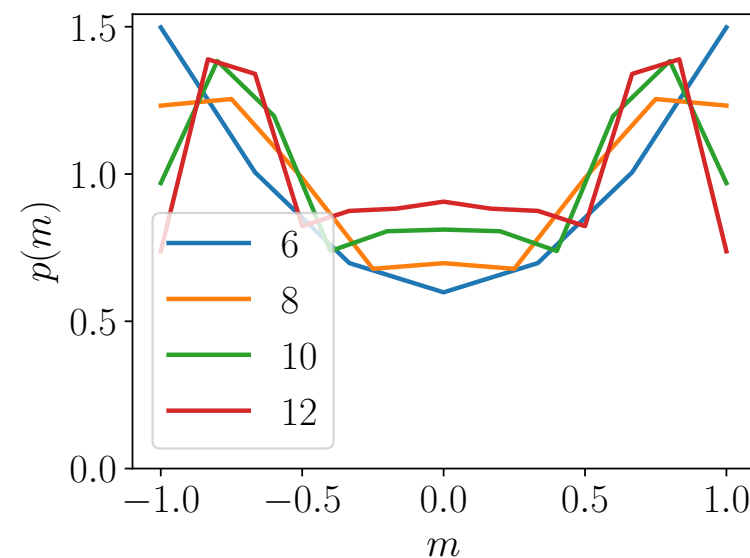
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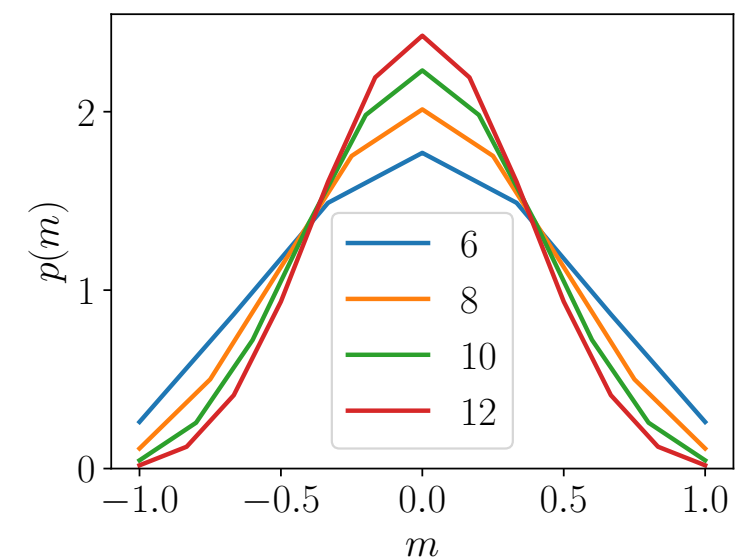
$P(M)$ Contribution of sector with “magnetisation” M



MBL



Transition



Ergodic

Summary

Influence matrix: many-body system as a bath

Low temporal entanglement $\rightarrow$ efficient tensor-network algorithms

-Generally, lower complexity than full wave function

Applications: dynamics, transport, impurity models, noisy circuits, **q-control**,...

Versatile approach for quantum dynamics, simulation & control

Further steps/questions

Theory:

- Scaling of $S_{\text{temp}}(t)$ for thermalising dynamics?
- Structure of IM in the MBL phase?
- Approximate truncation schemes for 2d
- Renormalization on the influence functional? Route to universality classes?

Experiments:

- Measure IM via multi-time correlation functions?
- Construct effective representation of (noisy) environment $\longrightarrow$ quantum control
- Realistic models of noise, dissipation

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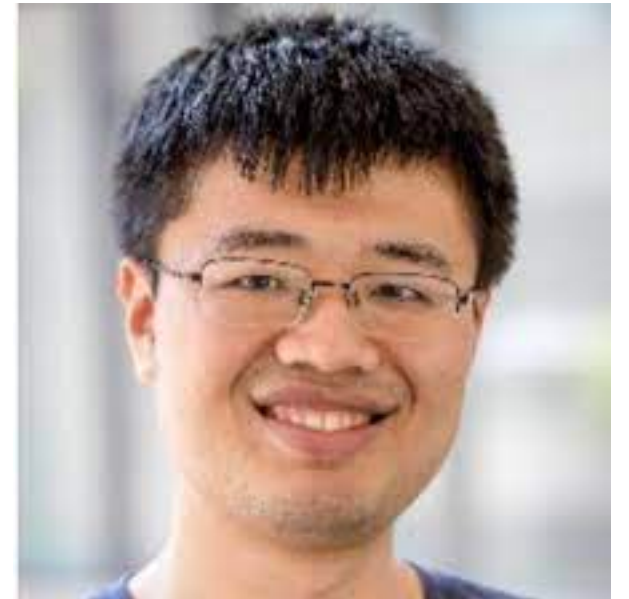
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