

# Indicators of many-body quantum chaos and time scales for equilibration



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# DYNAMICS

# Quench Dynamics

Quench Dynamics:

$$H = H_0 + \lambda V$$

Total Hamiltonian  
Describes the system  
Determines the evolution

$$H |\alpha\rangle = E_\alpha |\alpha\rangle$$

Perturbation

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

# Dynamics: Survival Probability

Survival Probability  
Return Probability  
Fidelity

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2 = |\langle \Psi(0) | e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle|^2$$

~~Loschmidt Echo~~

$$LE(t) = |\langle \Psi(0) | e^{i(H+\delta)t} e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle|^2$$

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$$H = H_0 + \lambda V$$

For  $H$  written in the basis  
of eigenstates of  $H_0$

$$\Psi(0) = \begin{matrix} & \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 & \alpha_4 \\ & C_1^1 & C_2^1 & C_3^1 & C_4^1 \\ \Psi(0) = & C_1^2 & C_2^2 & C_3^2 & C_4^2 \\ & C_1^3 & C_2^3 & C_3^3 & C_4^3 \\ & C_1^4 & C_2^4 & C_3^4 & C_4^4 \end{matrix}$$

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$$SP(t) = \left( \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 \cos(E_{\alpha}t) \right)^2 + \left( \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 \sin(E_{\alpha}t) \right)^2$$

# Survival Probability: Universal Behavior at Short Times

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2 = |\langle \Psi(0) | e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle|^2$$

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle|^2 = \langle \Psi(0) | (1 - iHt - \frac{H^2}{2}t^2 | \Psi(0) \rangle \langle \Psi(0) | (1 + iHt - \frac{H^2}{2}t^2 | \Psi(0) \rangle$$

$$SP(t) = 1 - \Gamma^2 t^2$$


 $\sum_{\alpha} |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|$

$$\langle \Psi(0) | H^2 | \Psi(0) \rangle - \langle \Psi(0) | H | \Psi(0) \rangle^2$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} |C_{ini}^{\alpha}|^2 E_{\alpha}^2 - \left( \sum_{\alpha} |C_{ini}^{\alpha}|^2 E_{\alpha} \right)^2 = \sum_{\alpha} |C_{ini}^{\alpha}|^2 (E_{\alpha} - E_{ini})^2$$

$$\sum_k \langle \Psi(0) | H | \phi_k \rangle \langle \phi_k | H | \Psi(0) \rangle - \langle \Psi(0) | H | \Psi(0) \rangle^2 = \sum_{k \neq ini} |\langle \phi_k | H | \Psi(0) \rangle|^2$$

# Hamiltonian matrix: Spin-1/2 model NN couplings

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

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101000	<b>J/2</b>	<b>H<sub>22</sub></b>	<b>J/2</b>	0	0	<b>J/2</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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100001	0	0	0	<b>J/2</b>	<b>H<sub>55</sub></b>	0	0	0	<b>J/2</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0
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# Survival Probability and LDOS

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Fidelity

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Survival probability is the Fourier transform of the LDOS

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

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

Energy distribution of the initial state  
LDOS (Local density of states)  
Strength function

LFS, Borgonovi, Izrailev  
PRL **108**, 094102 (2012)  
PRE **85**, 036209 (2012)  
Torres, Vyas, LFS  
NJP **16**, 063010 (2014)

Torres & LFS  
PRA **89**, 043620 (2014)  
PRA **90**, 033623 (2014)  
AIP **1619**, 171 (2014)



# Survival Probability for GOE matrices

Quench Dynamics:

$$H = H_0 + \lambda V$$

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

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$H_0$  Diagonal matrix of the GOE full random matrix

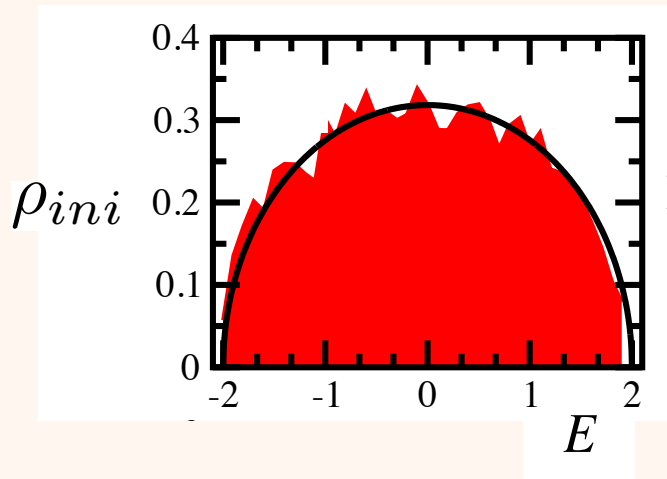
$V$  Off-diagonal matrix of the GOE full random matrix

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

# Full GOE Random Matrix

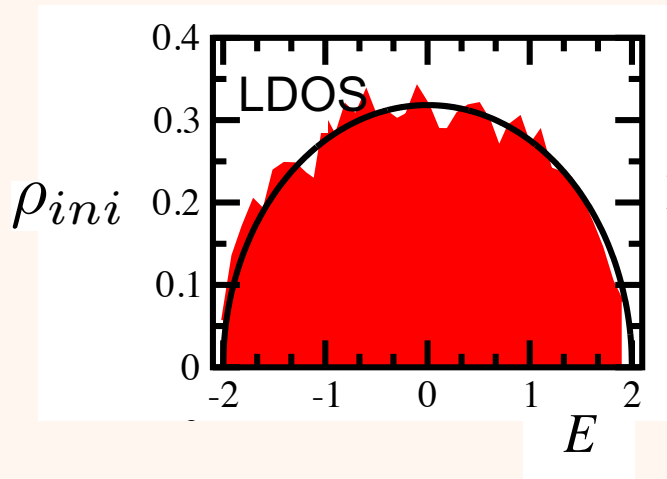
Full Random Matrices



$$DOS = \sum_{\alpha} \delta(E - E_{\alpha})$$

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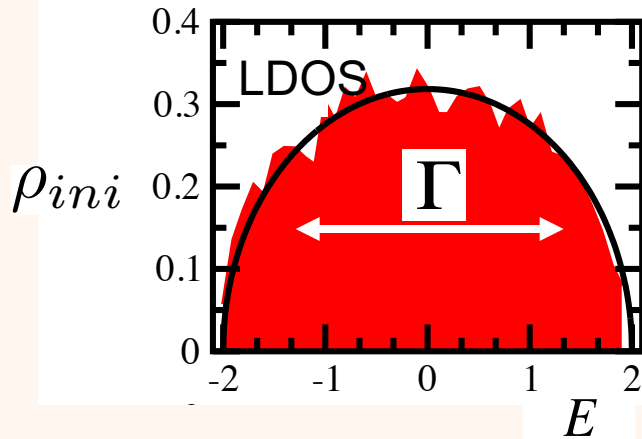


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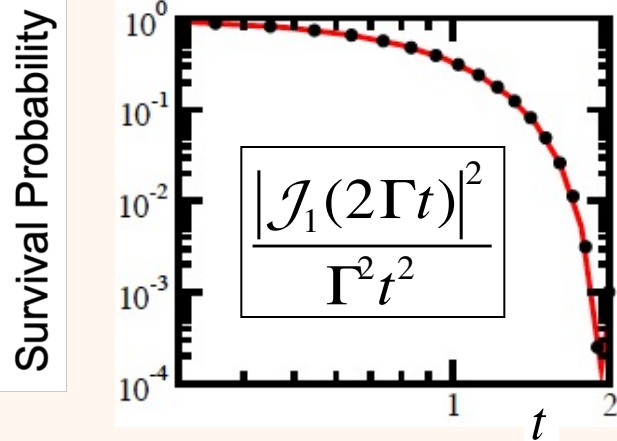
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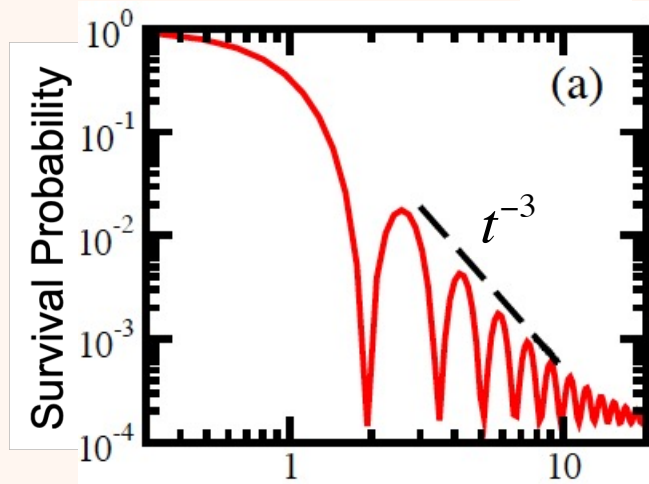
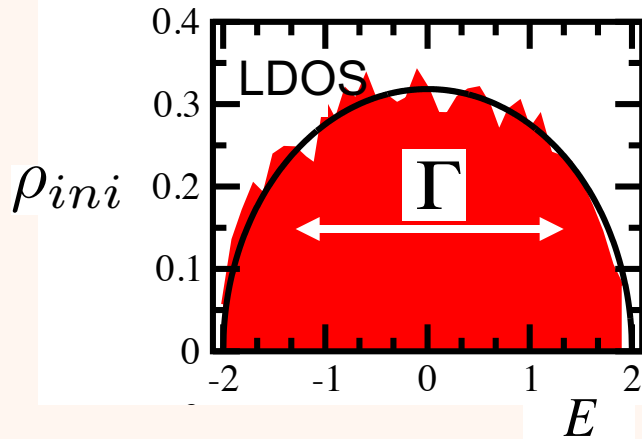
$\Gamma$

Width of the  
distribution

Torres-Herrera & LFS  
PRA, NJP (2014)

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$$\frac{|\mathcal{J}_1(2\Gamma t)|^2}{\Gamma^2 t^2} \rightarrow t^{-3}$$

## Exercise LDOS-GOE

- \*) Obtain LDOS for one initial state and one realization of random matrix.
- \*) Compute  $SP(t)$  averaged over 100 initial states with energy in the middle of the spectrum.
- \*) Compare with the analytical expression.
- \*) Indicate the **infinite-time average**.

PRA **94**, 041603R (2016)  
PRA **95**, 013604 (2017)

# Survival Probability: Infinite-time average

$$SP(t) = \left| \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 e^{-iE_{\alpha}t} \right|^2$$

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha, \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle \quad \text{(averages)}$$

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle + \left\langle \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4 \right\rangle$$

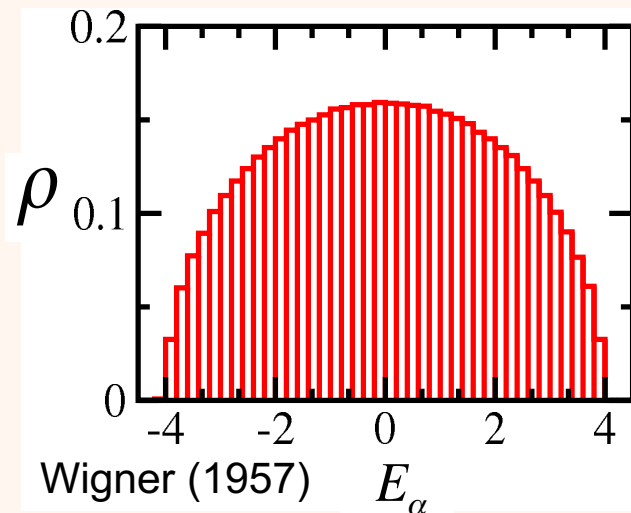
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$$IPR^{ini} = \overline{SP} = \frac{3}{D}$$

# Full Random Matrices vs Two-Body Interaction

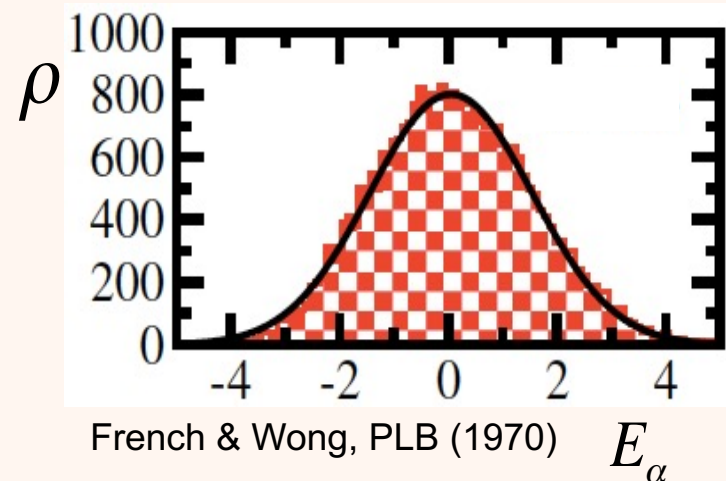
Density of States (Energy Distribution)

$$DOS = \sum_{\alpha} \delta(E - E_{\alpha})$$

Full random matrices: semicircular



Two-body interactions: Gaussian



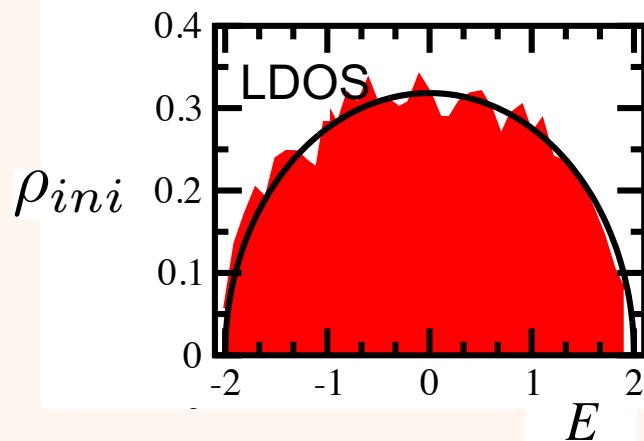


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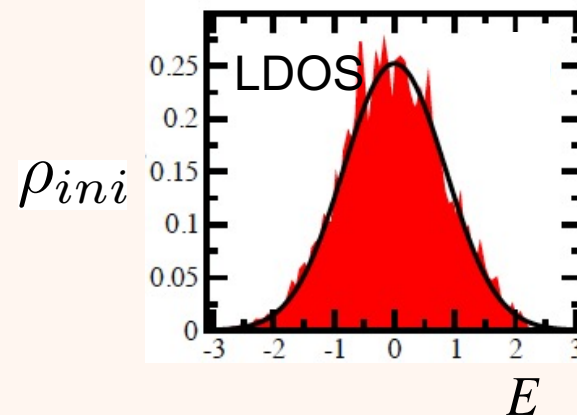
Local Density of States

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

Full random matrices: semicircular



Two-body interactions: Gaussian



NOT universal

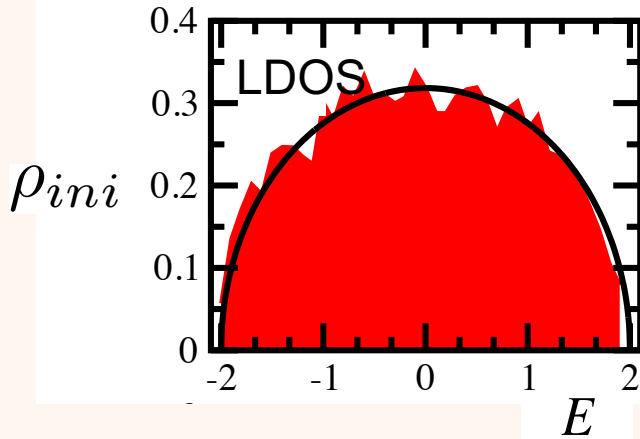
General:

- Chaotic many-body systems with 2-body interactions
- Perturbed far from equilibrium
- Initial state close to middle

# Initial Fast Decay

$$\left| \int \rho_{ini}(E) e^{-iEt} dE \right|^2$$

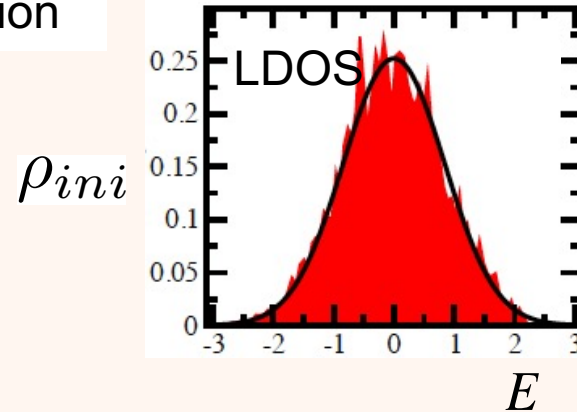
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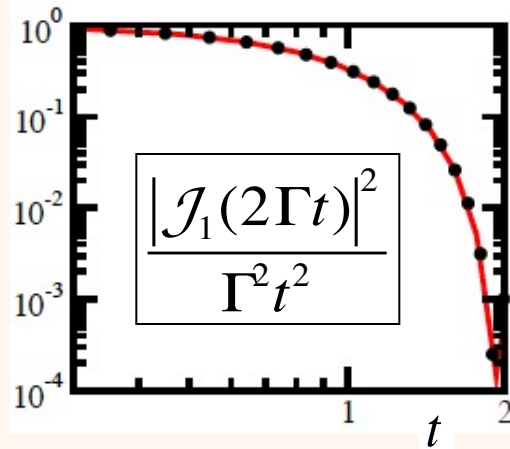
Width of the distribution

Spin Model

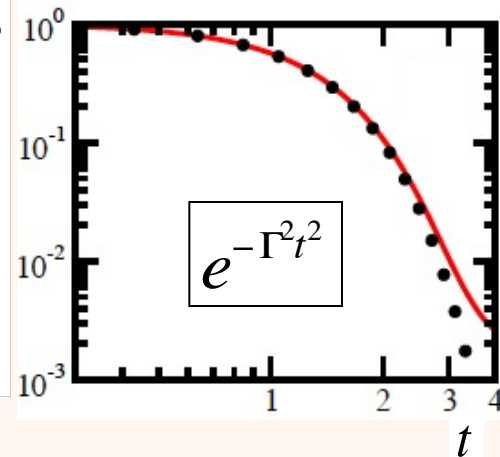


$1/\Gamma$

Survival Probability



Survival Probability



# Initial State: Néel State

## Strong perturbation

$$H_{initial} = \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} S_n^z S_{n+1}^z$$

↑ ↓ ↑ ↓ ↑ ↓ ↑ ↓

Néel state

Far from equilibrium

$$H_{final} = H_{NN} + \lambda H_{NNN}$$

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

$$H_{NNN} = \left( J \sum_{n=1}^{L-2} (S_n^x S_{n+2}^x + S_n^y S_{n+2}^y) + J\Delta \sum_{n=1}^{L-2} S_n^z S_{n+2}^z \right)$$

$$\Delta = 1, \lambda = 0 \quad \blacktriangle$$

$$\Delta = 0.5, \lambda = 0 \quad \blacktriangledown$$

$$\Delta = 1, \lambda = 0.4 \quad \times$$

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Néel state

10101010

directly coupled with L-1 states

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10101001

$$\Gamma^2 = \frac{J^2}{4} (L - 1)$$

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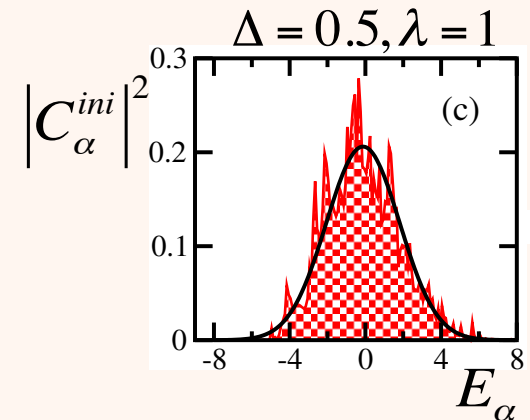
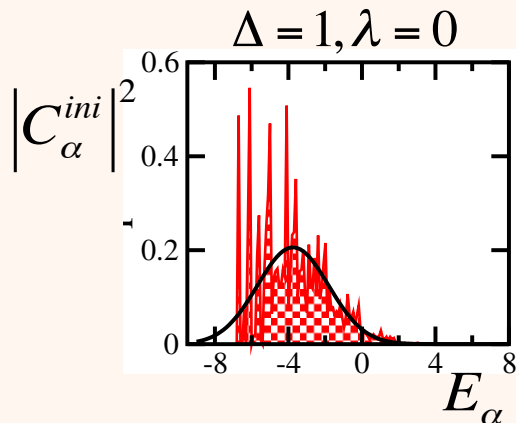
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# Energy of Initial State and LDOS

Néel  
state

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Energy of the initial state:  $\frac{J\Delta}{4} [-(L-1) + (L-2)\lambda]$



$\Delta = 1, \lambda = 0$  ▲

$\Delta = 0.5, \lambda = 0$  ▼

$\Delta = 1, \lambda = 0.4$  ✕

$\Delta = 1, \lambda = 1$  ●

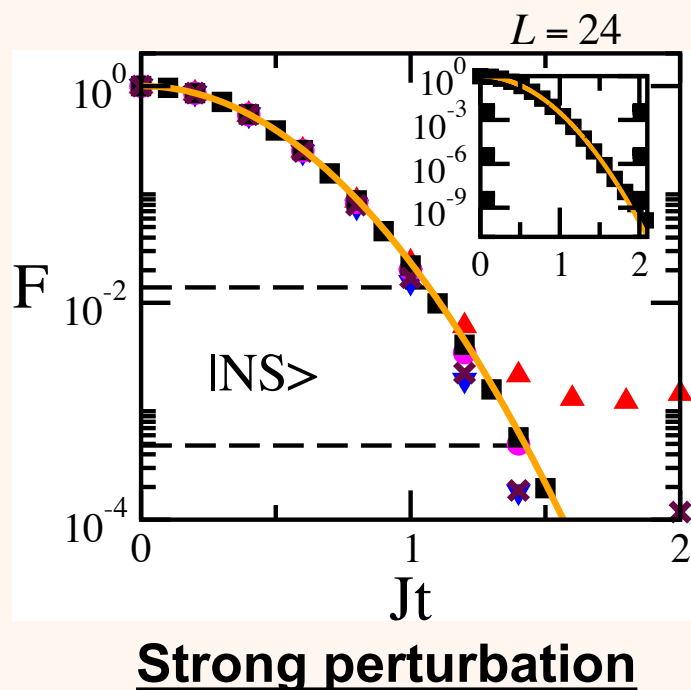
$\Delta = 0.5, \lambda = 1$  ■

# Gaussian Decay and Energy of Initial State

Néel state

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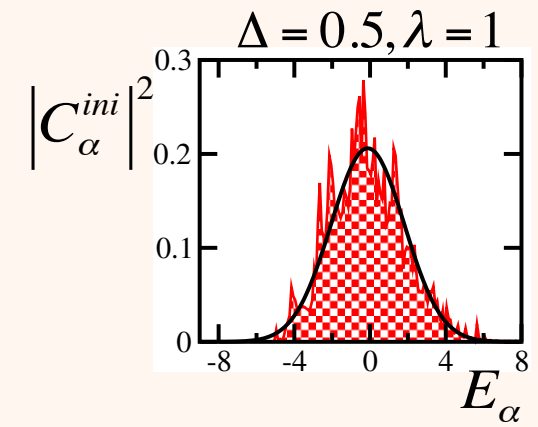
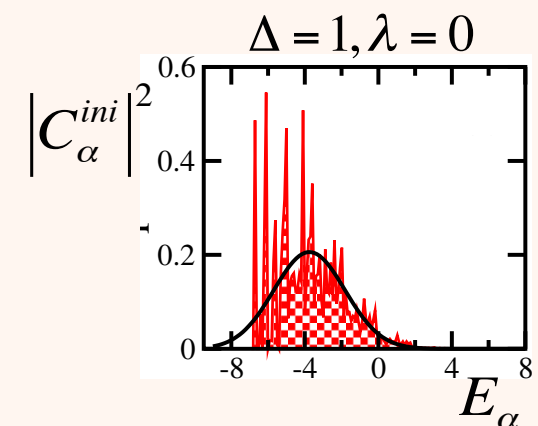
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$L = 16, S^z = 0$

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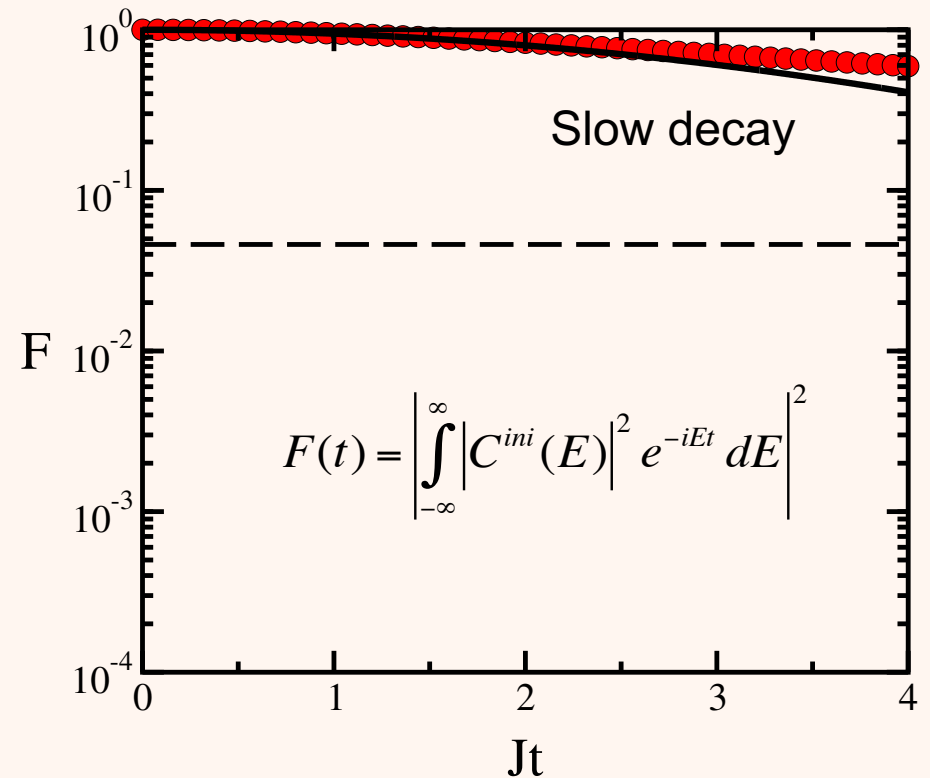
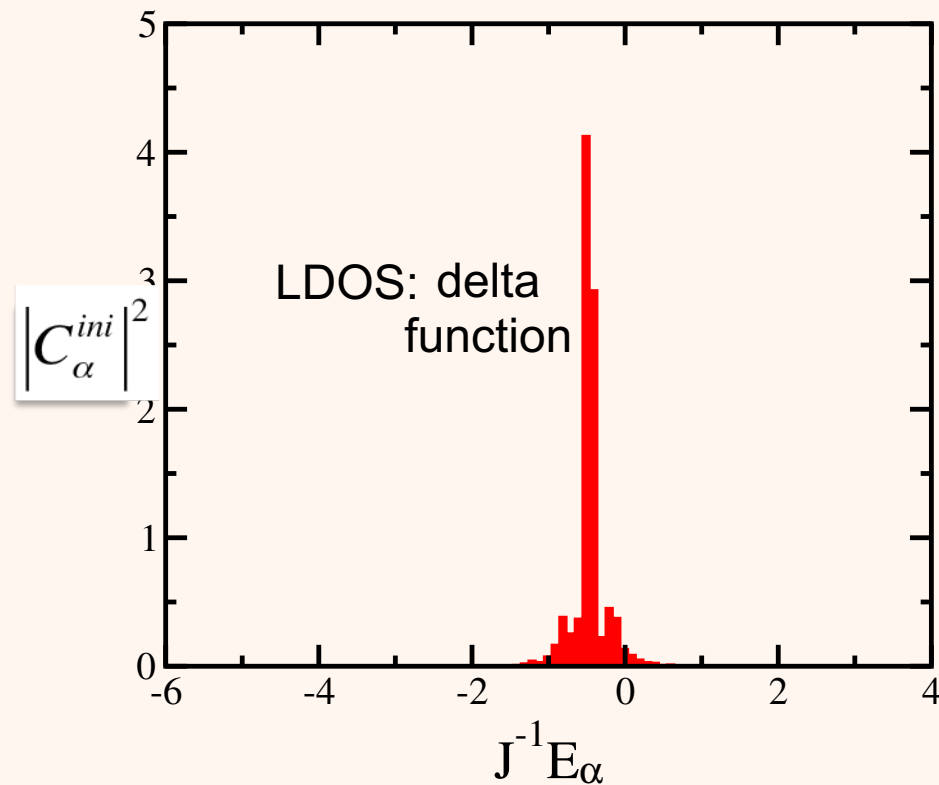
**Exercise**  
**LDOS-SP**  
 \*) Reproduce these figures for the LDOS  
 \*) Reproduce these figures for the SP



# Perturbation increases Survival Probability decays faster

$$H_{initial} = H_{XXZ} \xrightarrow{\text{quench}} H_{final} = H_{XXZ} + \lambda H_{NNN}$$

$$\lambda = 0.2$$



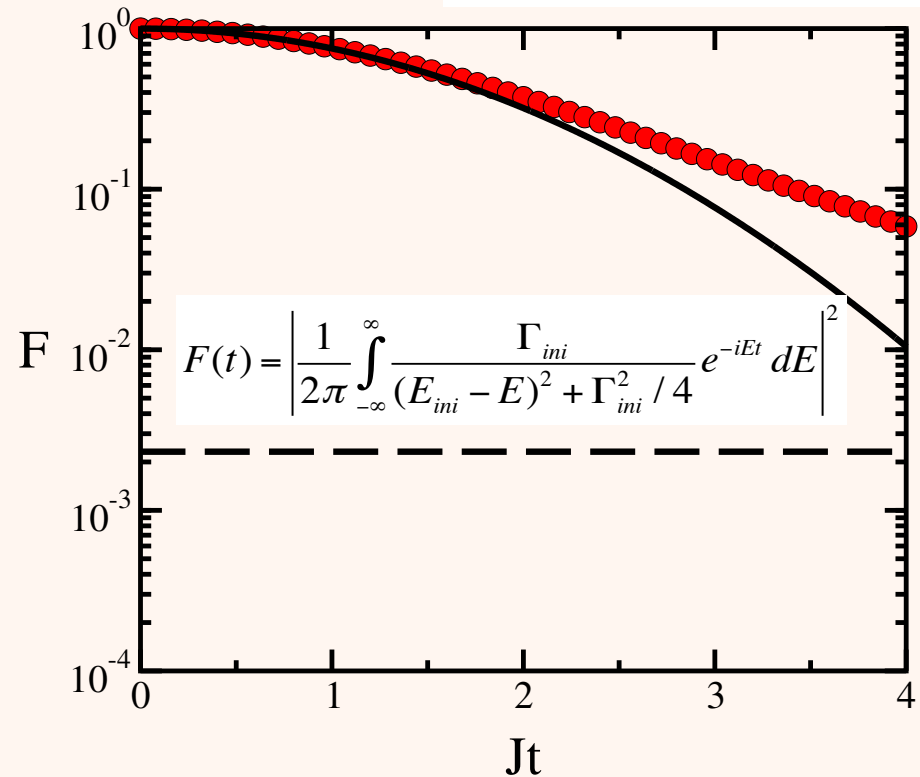
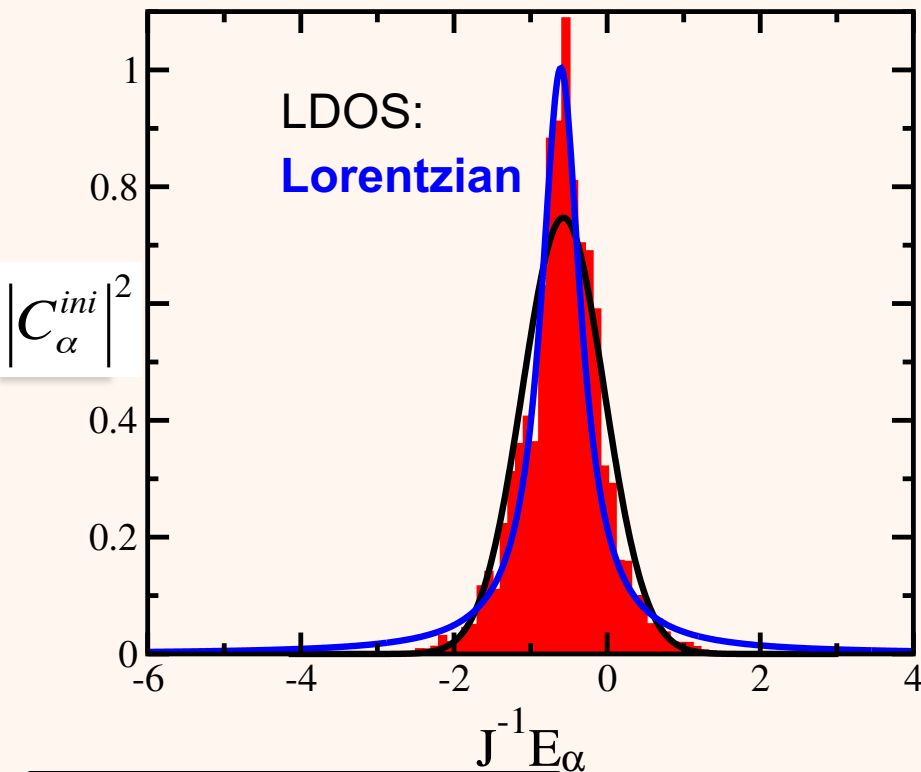
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$$H_{initial} = H_{XXZ} \xrightarrow{\text{quench}} H_{final} = H_{XXZ} + \lambda H_{NNN}$$

$$\lambda = 0.45$$

$$F(t) = \exp(-\Gamma_{ini} t)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_{ini}}{(E_{ini} - E)^2 + \Gamma_{ini}^2 / 4}$$





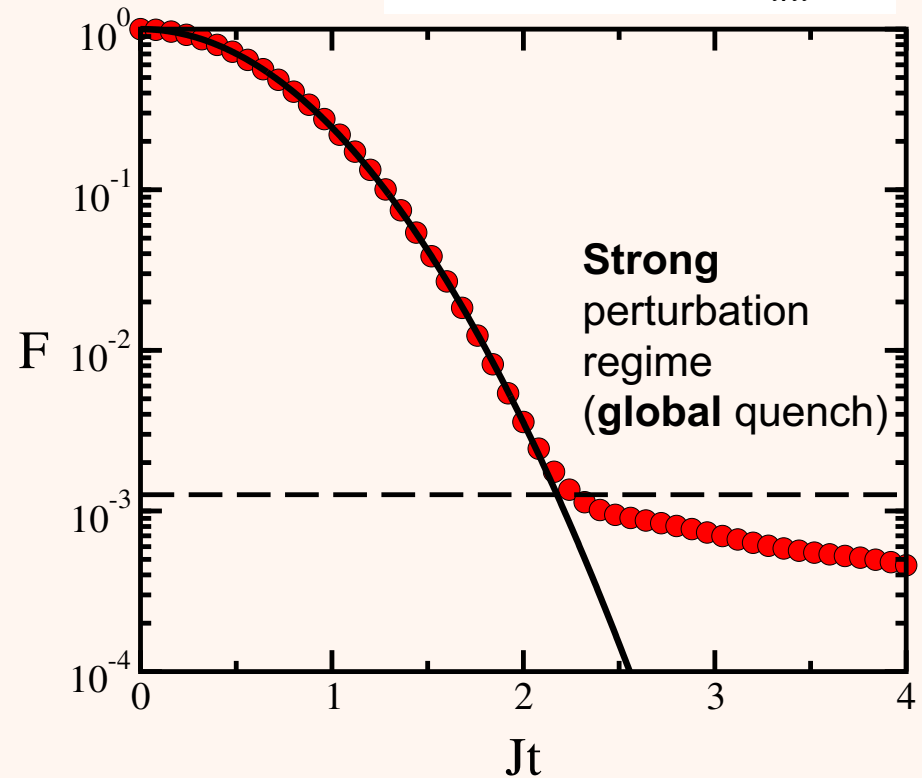
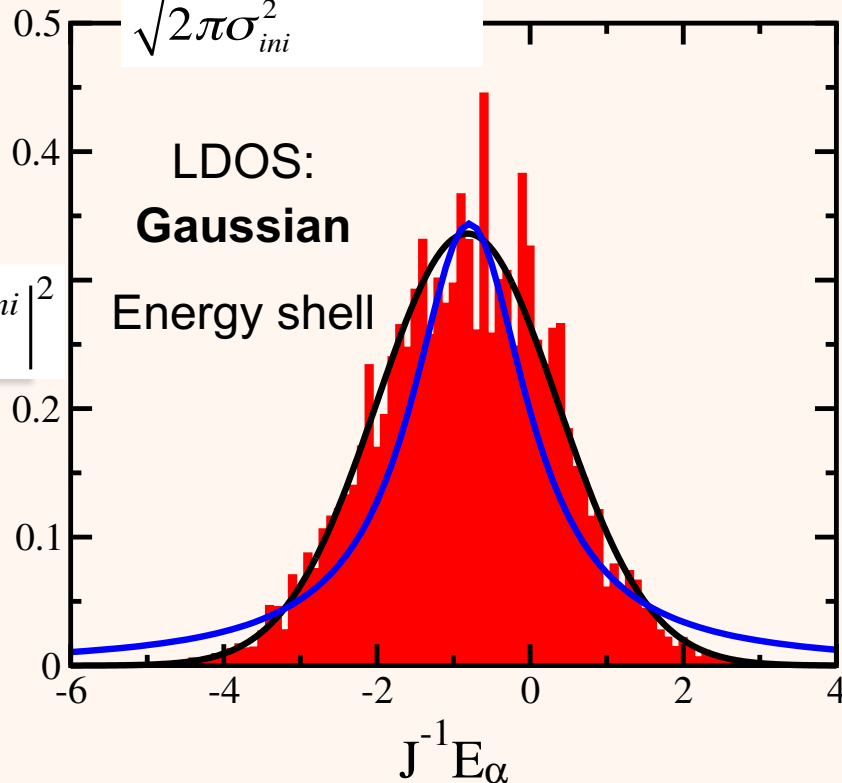
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$$\lambda = 1$$

$$F(t) = \exp(-\sigma_{ini}^2 t^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{ini}^2}} e^{-\frac{(E-E_{ini})^2}{2\sigma_{ini}^2}}$$



# Survival Probability & LDOS

LDOS	Fidelity
<p>Breit-Wigner</p> $P_{\text{BW}}^{\text{ini}}(E) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_{\text{ini}}}{(E_{\text{ini}} - E)^2 + \Gamma_{\text{ini}}^2/4}$	$F_{\text{BW}}(t) = \exp(-\Gamma_{\text{ini}}t)$
<p>Gaussian</p> $P_{\text{G}}^{\text{ini}}(E) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{\text{ini}}^2}} \exp\left[-\frac{(E - E_{\text{ini}})^2}{2\sigma_{\text{ini}}^2}\right]$	$F_{\text{G}}(t) = \exp(-\sigma_{\text{ini}}^2 t^2)$
<p>Semicircle</p> $P_{\text{SC}}^{\text{ini}}(E) = \frac{2}{\pi\mathcal{E}} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{E}{\mathcal{E}}\right)^2}$	$F_{\text{SC}}(t) = \frac{[\mathcal{J}_1(2\sigma_{\text{ini}}t)]^2}{\sigma_{\text{ini}}^2 t^2}$
<p>Two Gaussians</p> $P_{\text{TG}}^{\text{ini}}(E) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{(E - E_1)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{(E - E_2)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}$	<p>Torres &amp; LFS PRA <b>90</b> (2014)</p> $F_{\text{TG}}(t) = \exp(-\sigma^2 t^2) \cos^2 \left[ \frac{E_2 - E_1}{2} t \right]$

# BW and Gaussian LDOS

## $H^{\text{final}}$ : Chaotic or Integrable

$$H_{XX} \xrightarrow{\Delta} H_{XXZ} \quad H_{XXZ} \xrightarrow{\lambda} H_{XXZ} + \lambda H_{NNN}$$

Integrable  
to  
integrable

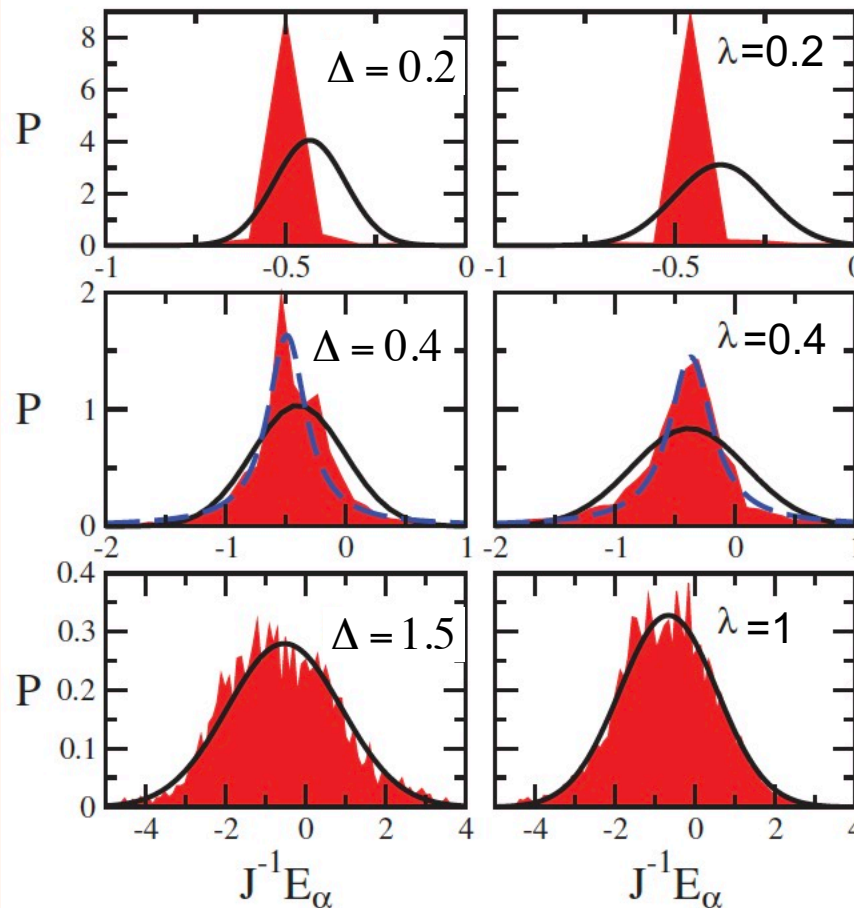
Integrable  
to  
chaotic

$$\sum_{n=1}^{L-1} J(S_n^x S_{n+1}^x + S_n^y S_{n+1}^y)$$

$\downarrow \Delta$

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

$L=18$ , 6 up spins



# Exponential and Gaussian SP(t)

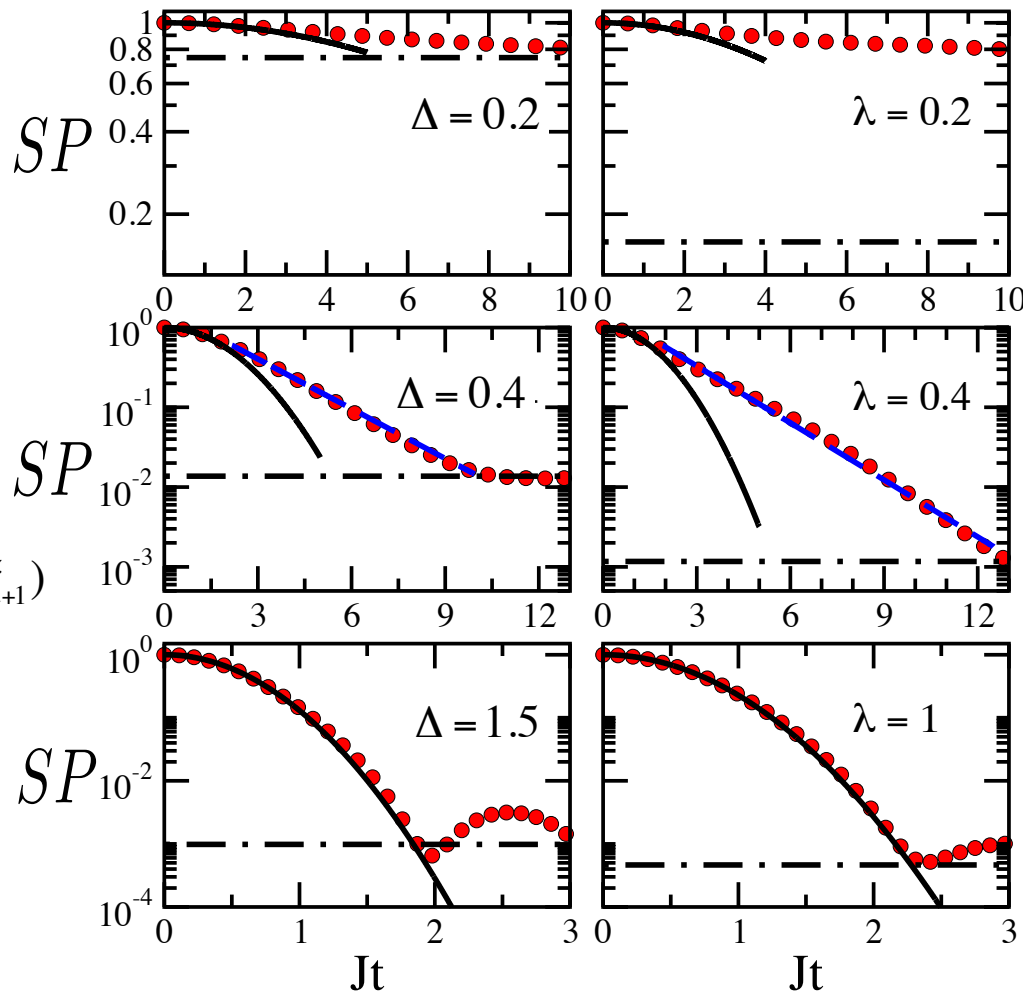
## $H^{\text{final}}$ : Chaotic or Integrable

$$H_{XX} \xrightarrow{\Delta} H_{XXZ}$$

$$H_{XXZ} \xrightarrow{\lambda} H_{XXZ} + \lambda H_{NNN}$$

Integrable  
to  
integrable

Integrable  
to  
chaotic



$$\sum_{n=1}^{L-1} J(S_n^x S_{n+1}^x + S_n^y S_{n+1}^y)$$

$\downarrow \Delta$

$SP$

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

$L=18$ , 6 up spins

$SP$

# ENTIRE EVOLUTION OF THE SURVIVAL PROBABILITY

## GOE FULL RANDOM MATRICES

# Dynamics: Survival Probability

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} C_{\alpha}^{ini} e^{-iE_{\alpha}t} |\alpha\rangle$$

$$SP(t) = \left| \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 e^{-iE_{\alpha}t} \right|^2$$

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha, \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle \quad \text{(averages)}$$

# Survival Probability VS Spectral Form Factor

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

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**True  
DYNAMICAL  
quantity!!**

Spectral form factor:  $SFT(t) = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha, \beta} e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle$

**Analysis of  
spectrum in the  
time domain**

# Survival Probability

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle + \left\langle \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4 \right\rangle$$


↓


$$IPR^{ini} = \overline{SP} = \frac{3}{D}$$



# Survival Probability

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle + \left\langle \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4 \right\rangle$$




  
 $\overline{SP}$

$$\left\langle \int \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) e^{-iEt} dE \right\rangle$$

Components are uncorrelated with the eigenvalues.  
Eigenstates and eigenvalues are statistically independent.

$$\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \langle |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \rangle \int \langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle e^{-iEt} dE$$

# Survival Probability

$$\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \langle |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \rangle \int \langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle e^{-iEt} dE$$



$P$ : Probability density function

$$\langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle = \int \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) P(E_1, \dots, E_{\alpha}, \dots, E_{\beta}, \dots, E_D) dE_1 \dots dE_D$$



$R_2$ : two-point spectral correlation function

$$\langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle = \frac{(D-2)!}{D!} \int \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) R_2(E_{\alpha}, E_{\beta}) dE_{\alpha} dE_{\beta}$$

$R_2$ : Probability density of finding a level (regardless of labeling) around each of the points  $E_{\alpha}, E_{\beta}$ , while the positions of the remaining levels are unobserved.

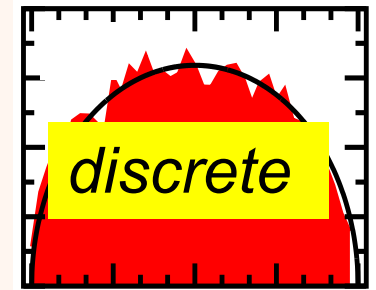
$$R_2(E_{\alpha}, E_{\beta}) = R_1(E_{\alpha})R_1(E_{\beta}) - T_2(E_{\alpha}, E_{\beta})$$

# Survival Probability

$$\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \langle |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \rangle \int \langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle e^{-iEt} dE$$

$$\frac{(D-2)!}{D!} \int \int \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) R_1(E_{\alpha}) R_1(E_{\beta}) dE_{\alpha} dE_{\beta}$$

$R_1$ : density of states (semicircle)



$-\sqrt{2\text{Dim } v^2}$   $E$   $+\sqrt{2\text{Dim } v^2}$

$$\frac{1}{D(D-1)} \left| \int e^{-iE_{\alpha}t} R_1(E_{\alpha}) dE_{\alpha} \right|^2$$



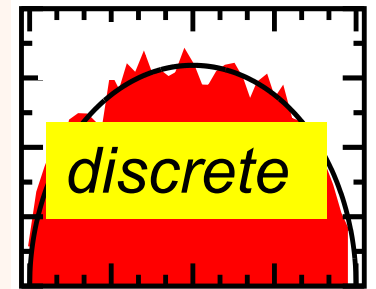
$$\frac{D}{D-1} \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{\Gamma^2 t^2}$$

# Survival Probability

$$\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \langle |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \rangle \int \langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle e^{-iEt} dE$$

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$T_2$ : two-level cluster function  
related with the level number variance  $\Sigma(l)^2$

$$\frac{D}{D-1} \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{\Gamma^2 t^2}$$

# Survival Probability

$$\sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \langle |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \rangle \int \langle \delta(E - (E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})) \rangle e^{-iEt} dE$$

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$$-\frac{(D-2)!}{D!} \int e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} T_2(E_{\alpha}, E_{\beta}) dE_{\alpha} dE_{\beta}$$

(see Mehta's book)

$b_2$ : two-level form factor

$$-\frac{1}{D-1} b_2 \left( \frac{t}{2\pi R_1(0)} \right)$$

$$b_2(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - 2t + t \ln(1 + 2t), & t \leq 1 \\ t \ln \left( \frac{2t+1}{2t-1} \right) - 1, & t > 1 \end{cases}$$

# Survival Probability

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 e^{-i(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta})t} \right\rangle + \left\langle \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4 \right\rangle$$

disconnected

connected

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} \langle |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \rangle \frac{1}{D-1} \left[ D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{\Gamma^2 t^2} - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \right] - \overline{SP}$$

$$\left\langle \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \right\rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha, \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \right\rangle - \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4$$

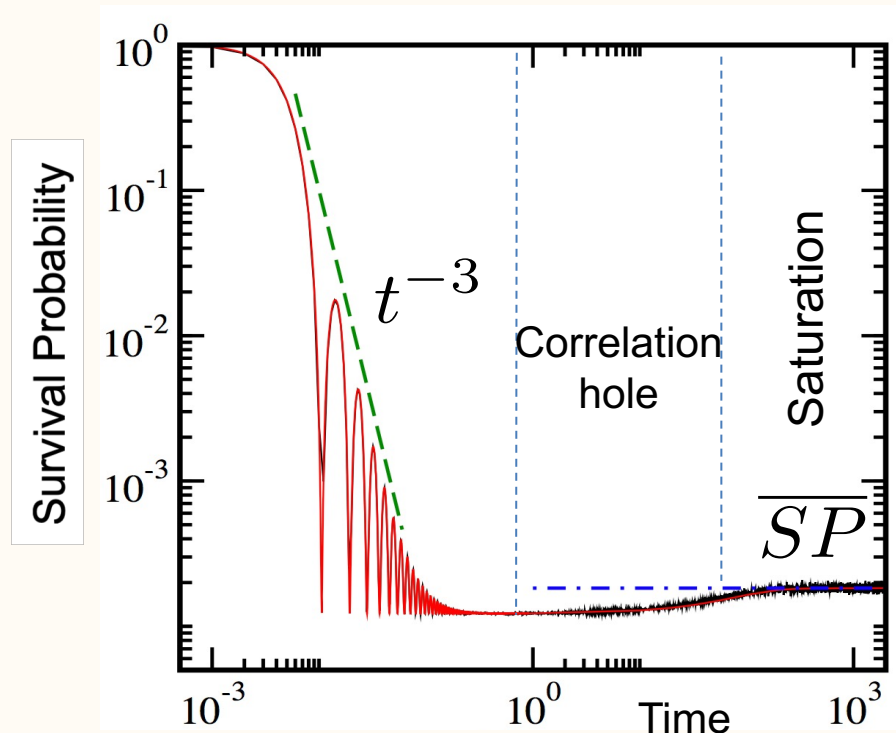
$$\left\langle \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \right\rangle = 1 - \overline{SP}$$

# Survival Probability

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

GOE Full Random Matrices

$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{D - 1} \left[ D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{(\Gamma t)^2} - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$



Torres, Garcia, LFS  
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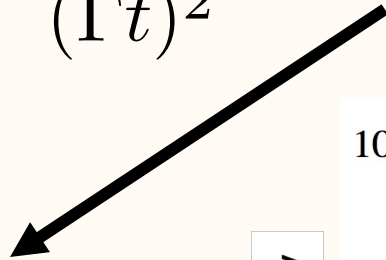
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# Correlation Hole

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

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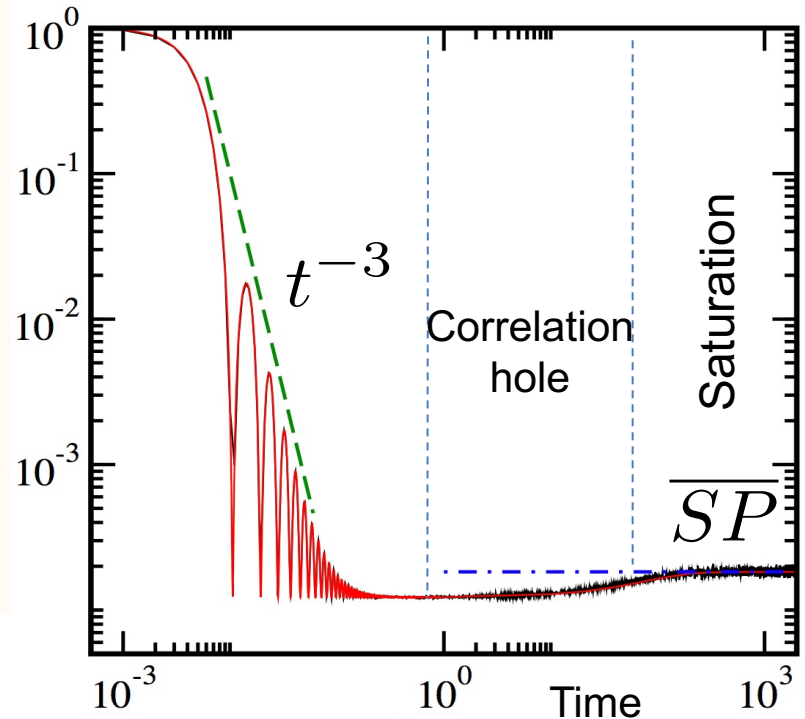


## CORRELATION HOLE (ramp)

True *dynamical* manifestation of spectral correlations

experiments

Survival Probability



- (i) Detect short- and long-range correlations;
- (ii) No unfolding;
- (iii) Do not need to separate the eigenvalues by symmetry sectors



# Manifestations of 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?

## CORRELATION HOLE (ramp)

*True dynamical manifestation of spectral correlations*

BUT it takes time for the dynamics to resolve the discreteness of the spectrum!

# Survival Probability

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

GOE Full Random Matrices

$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{D - 1} \left[ D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{(\Gamma t)^2} - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$

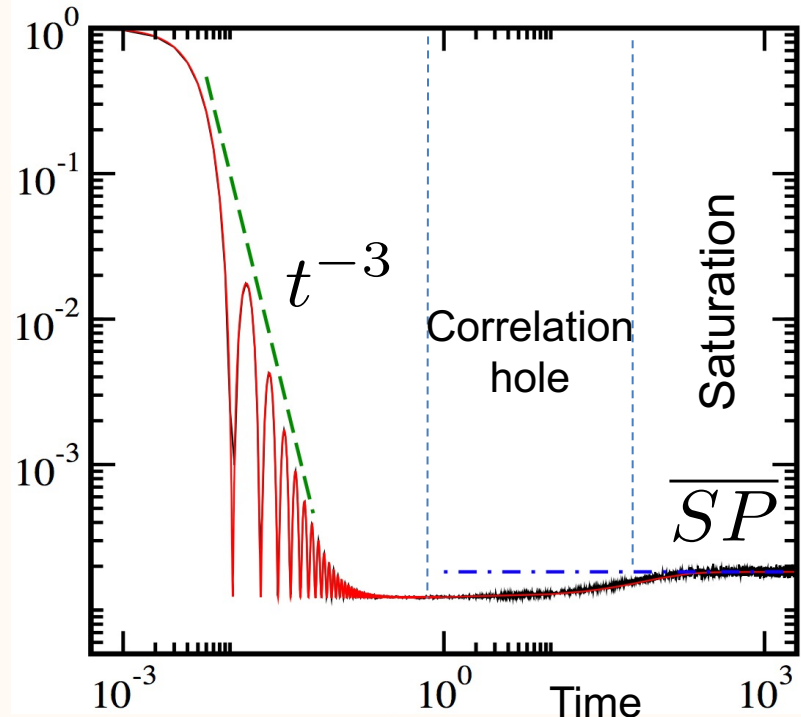
## Exercise SP-GOE

Evolve the survival probability under GOE full random matrices and show that it agrees with the analytical expression above.

ATTENTION!

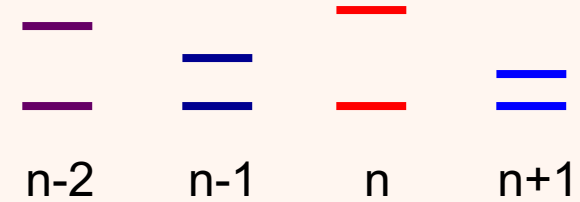
Averages are needed for seeing the correlation hole.

Survival Probability



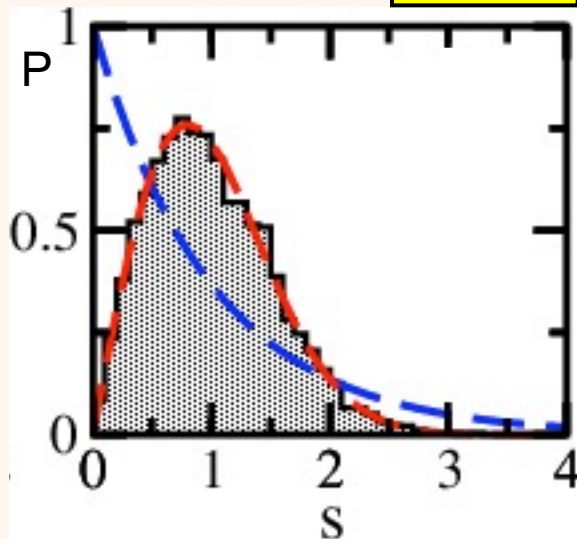
# 1D Disordered Spin-1/2 Model

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

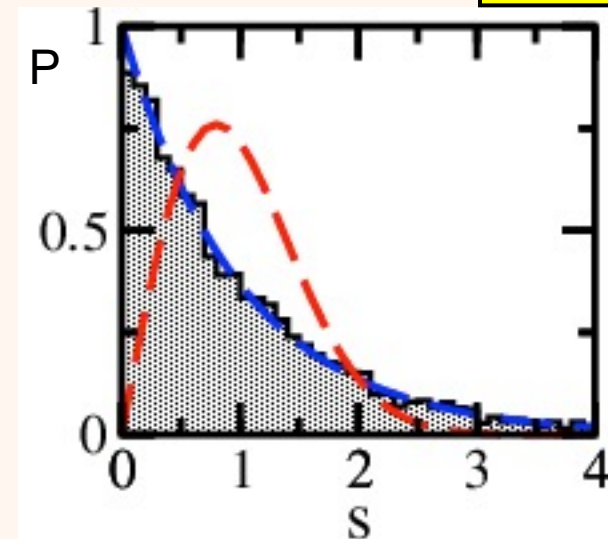


$$h_n \in [-h, h]$$

**Chaotic** h=0.5J



**Localized** h>h<sub>c</sub>



LFS, Rigolin, Escobar

Entanglement versus chaos in disordered spin chains

PRA **69**, 042304 (2004)

# Models

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

$$H = H_0 + V$$

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

## GOE Full Random Matrices

$H_0$  Diagonal matrix,  
Gaussian real random numbers  
 $\langle H_0^2 \rangle = 2$

$V$  Off-diagonal matrix,  
Gaussian real random numbers  
 $\langle V^2 \rangle = 1$

Strong level repulsion

## Disordered Spin Model

$$H_0 = \sum_{n=1}^L \frac{h_n}{2} \sigma_n^z$$

Random numbers  
 $h_n \in [-h, h]$

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

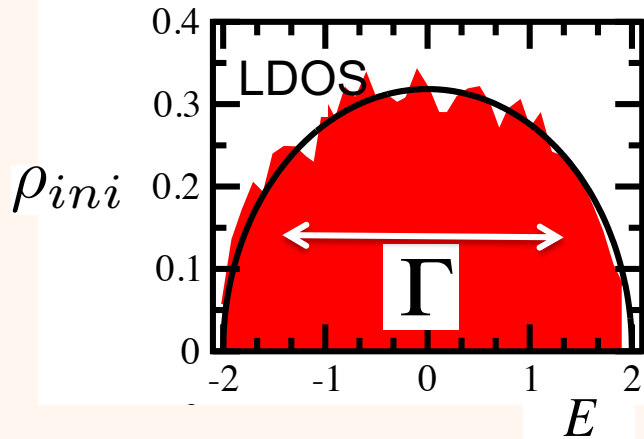
Strong level repulsion for  $h \sim J$

AVERAGES  
 $10^4$ - $10^5$  data

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# Initial Fast Decay

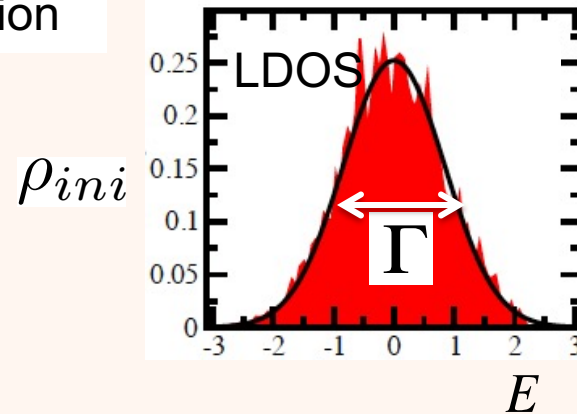
Full Random Matrices



$\Gamma$

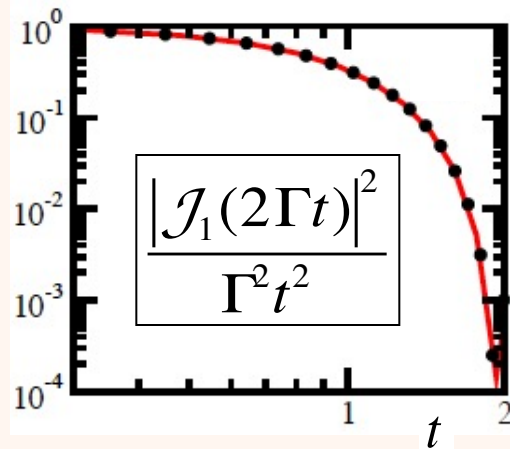
Width of the distribution

Spin Model

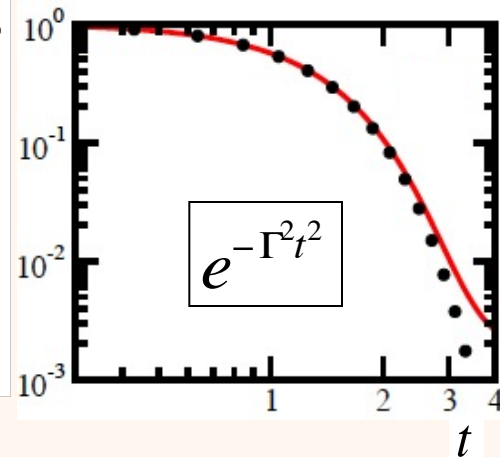


$1/\Gamma$

Survival Probability

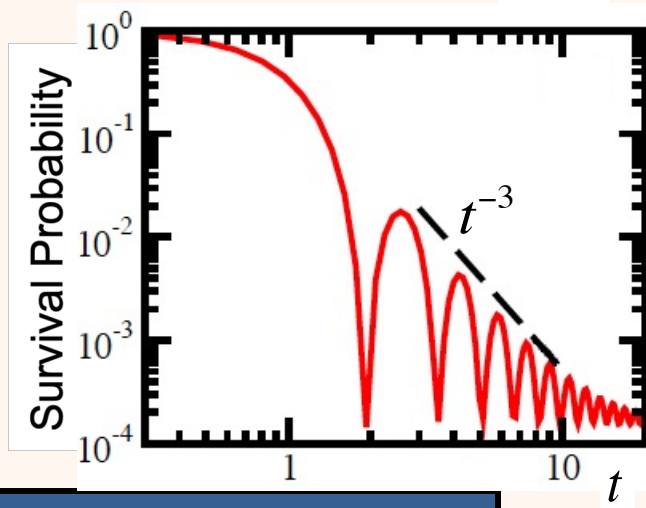
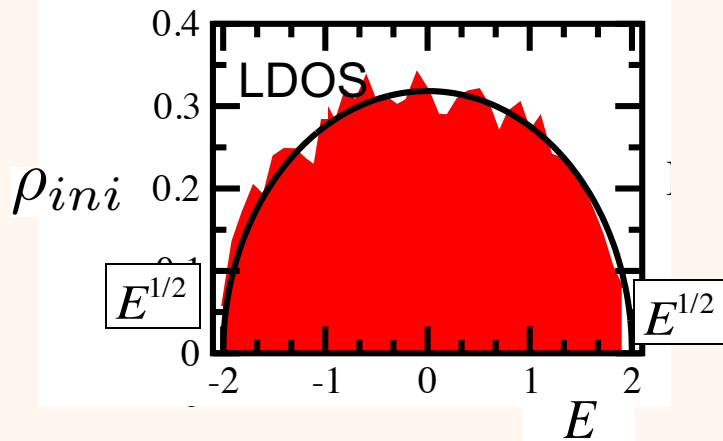


Survival Probability

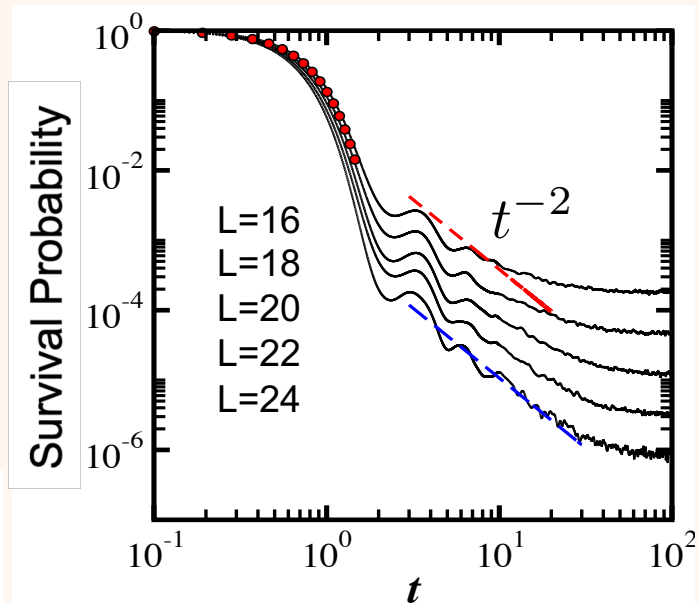
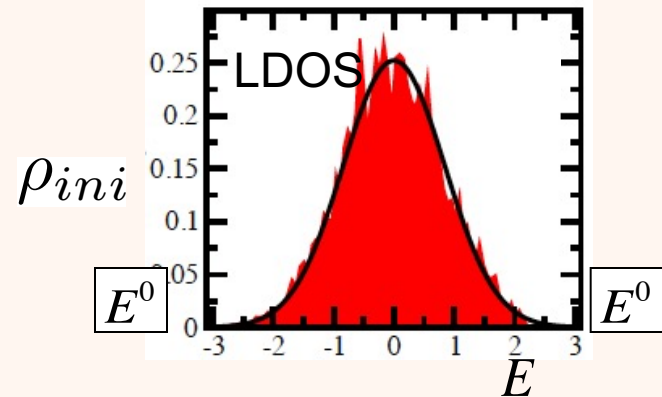


# Power-law Decay

## Full Random Matrices



## Spin Model



# Survival Probability

$$|\langle \Psi(0) | \Psi(t) \rangle|^2$$

GOE Full Random Matrices

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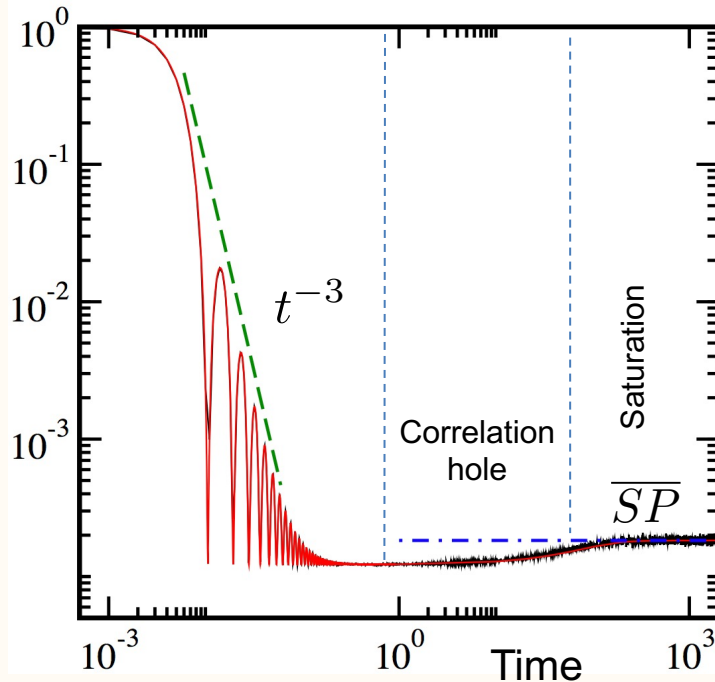
Disordered Spin Model

$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{D - 1} \left[ D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{(\Gamma t)^2} - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$

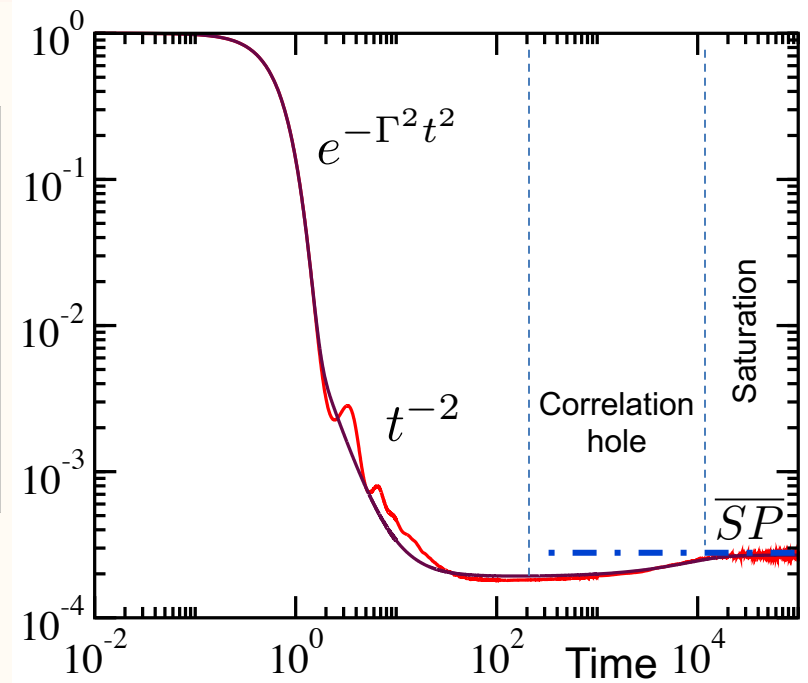
$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{(D - 1)} \left[ \frac{D e^{-\Gamma^2 t^2}}{\mathcal{N}^2} \mathcal{F}(t) - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{\sqrt{2\pi D}} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(t) = \left| \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{E_{\max} + it\Gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}\Gamma} \right) - \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{E_{\min} + it\Gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}\Gamma} \right) \right|^2$$

Survival Probability

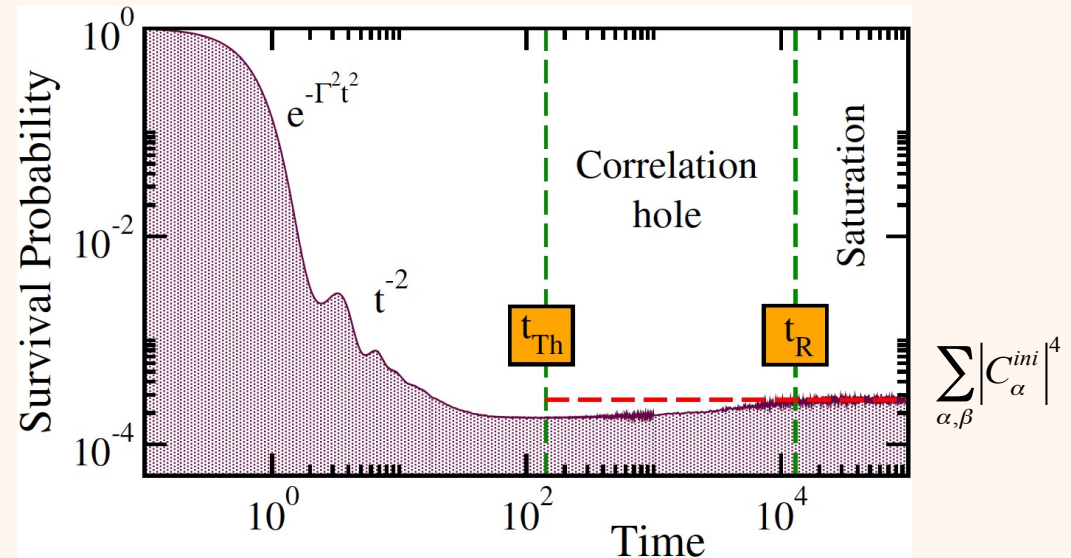
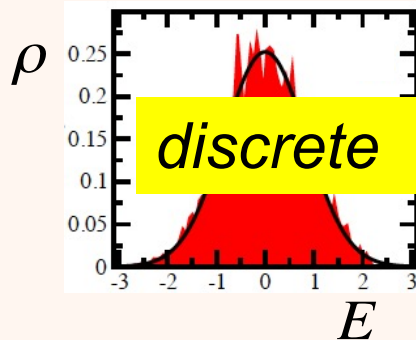


Survival Probability



# Correlation Hole

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



Fourier transform of the  
2-level cluster function:  
2-level form factor  $b_2$

$$b_2(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - 2t + t \ln(1 + 2t), & t \leq 1 \\ t \ln\left(\frac{2t+1}{2t-1}\right) - 1, & t > 1 \end{cases}$$

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# Survival Probability

## Realistic chaotic models

### Exercise SP-spin

Check that the semi-analytical expression describes well the

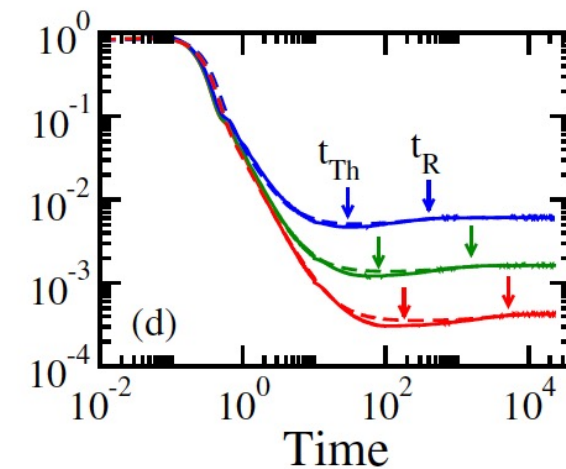
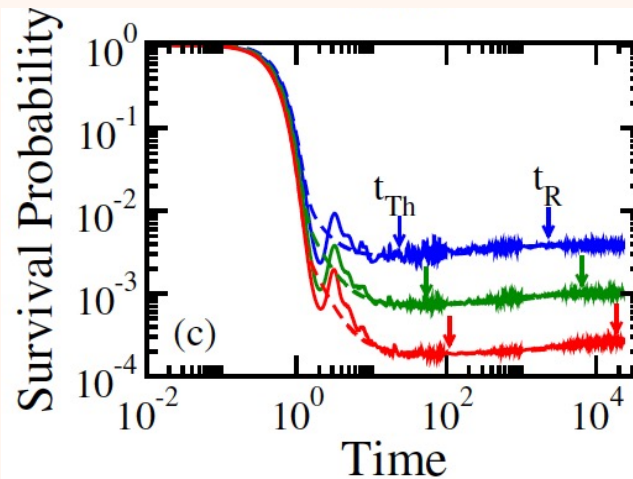
- \*) XXZ+onsite disorder ( $h=0.5$ )
- \*) NN+NNN model
- \*) NN+NNN for sparse band random matrix

Do AVERAGES over disorder realizations and initial states!  
Initial states close to the middle of the spectrum!

$$H^{\text{cl}} = H_0^{\text{cl}} + V^{\text{cl}},$$

$$H_0^{\text{cl}} = J\Delta \sum_{k=1}^L (S_k^z S_{k+1}^z + \lambda S_k^z S_{k+2}^z),$$

$$V^{\text{cl}} = J \sum_{k=1}^L [S_k^x S_{k+1}^x + S_k^y S_{k+1}^y + \lambda (S_k^x S_{k+2}^x + S_k^y S_{k+2}^y)].$$



# TIME SCALES

## EQUILIBRATION TIME

How long does it take for  
isolated many-body quantum systems  
perturbed far from equilibrium  
to finally reach equilibrium?

Different behaviors/ different **timescales**

# Time to Reach the Minimum of the Correlation Hole

GOE Full Random Matrices

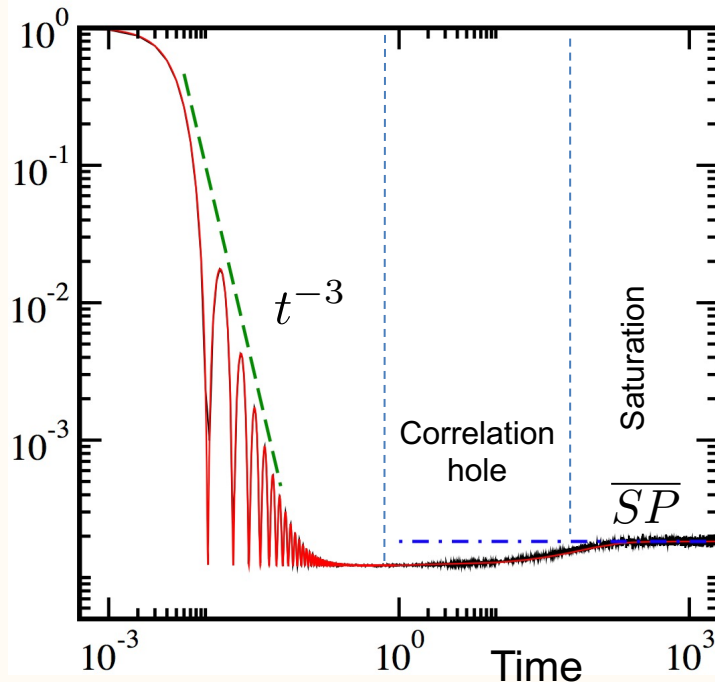
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$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{D - 1} \left[ D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{(\Gamma t)^2} - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$

$$D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{(\Gamma t)^2} \rightarrow \frac{D}{\pi(\Gamma t)^3} \quad \text{for } \Gamma t \gg 1$$

$$b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \rightarrow 1 - \frac{\Gamma t}{D} \quad \text{for } \frac{\Gamma t}{D} \ll 1$$

Survival Probability



$$\left. \frac{d\langle P_S(t) \rangle}{dt} \right|_{t=t_{\text{Th}}^{\text{GOE}}} \simeq \frac{1 - \overline{P}_S}{D - 1} \left[ -3 \frac{D}{\pi \Gamma^3 t^4} + \frac{\Gamma}{D} \right] \Big|_{t=t_{\text{Th}}^{\text{GOE}}} = 0$$

$$t_{\text{Th}}^{\text{GOE}} = \left( \frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/4} \frac{\sqrt{D}}{\Gamma} = \left( \frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/4}$$

$$\langle P_S(t) \rangle \Big|_{t=t_{\text{Th}}^{\text{GOE}}} \approx \frac{2}{D}$$

# Time to Reach the Minimum of the Correlation Hole

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Disordered Spin Model

$$\frac{De^{-\Gamma^2 t^2}}{4\mathcal{N}^2} \mathcal{F}(t) \rightarrow \frac{D}{\Gamma^2 t^2} \quad \text{for } \Gamma t \gg 1$$

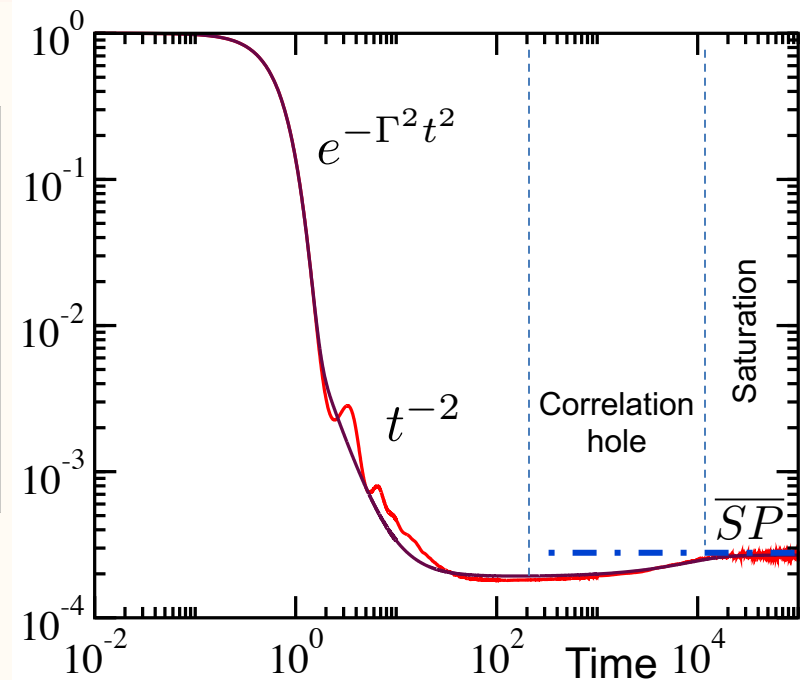
$$b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{\sqrt{2\pi D}} \right) \rightarrow 1 - 2 \frac{\Gamma t}{\sqrt{2\pi D}} \quad \text{for } \frac{\Gamma t}{D} \ll 1$$

$$t_{\text{Th}} \propto \frac{D^{2/3}}{\Gamma}$$

$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{(D-1)} \left[ \frac{De^{-\Gamma^2 t^2}}{\mathcal{N}^2} \mathcal{F}(t) - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{\sqrt{2\pi D}} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(t) = \left| \text{erf} \left( \frac{E_{\text{max}} + i\Gamma t}{\sqrt{2}\Gamma} \right) - \text{erf} \left( \frac{E_{\text{min}} + i\Gamma t}{\sqrt{2}\Gamma} \right) \right|^2$$

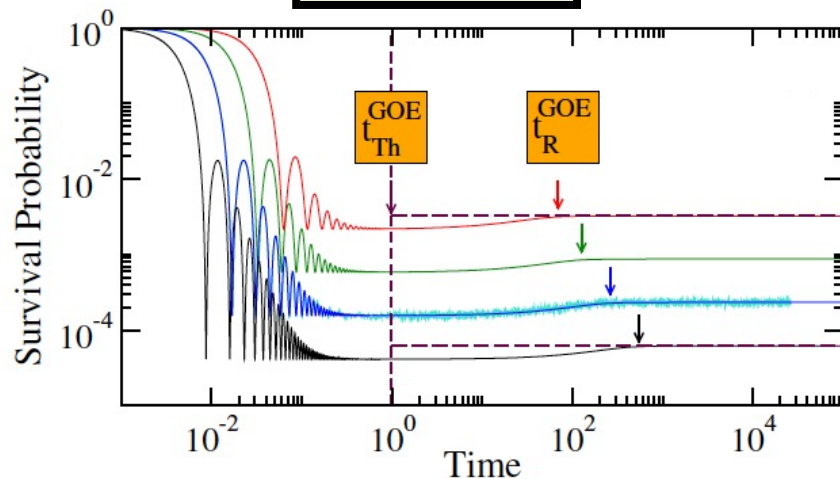
Survival Probability



# Time to Reach the Minimum of the Hole

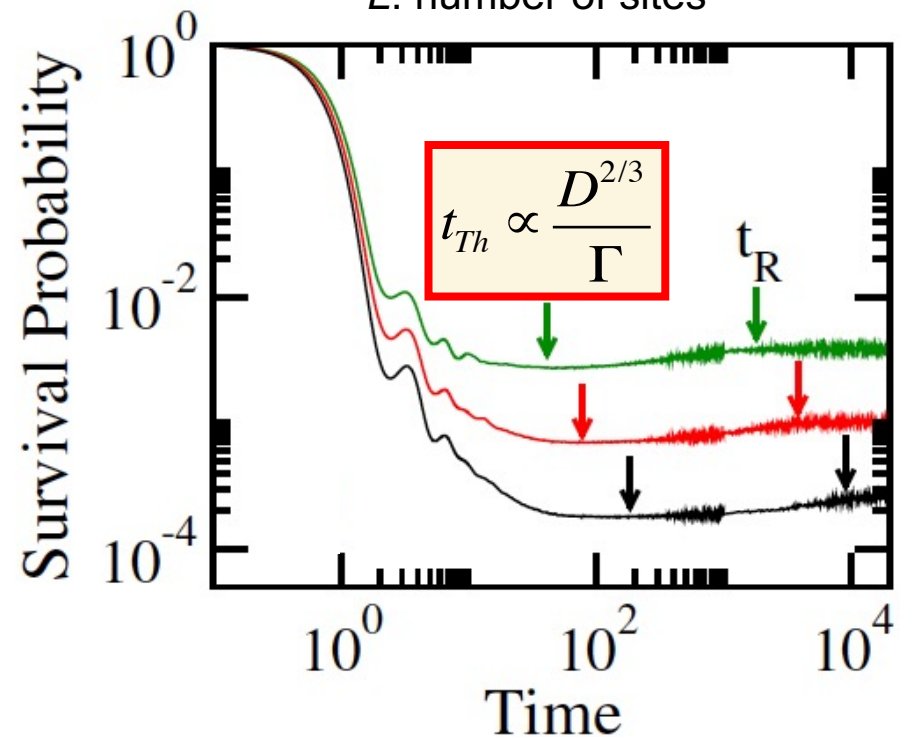
GOE full random matrix

$$t_{Th} = \left( \frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/4}$$

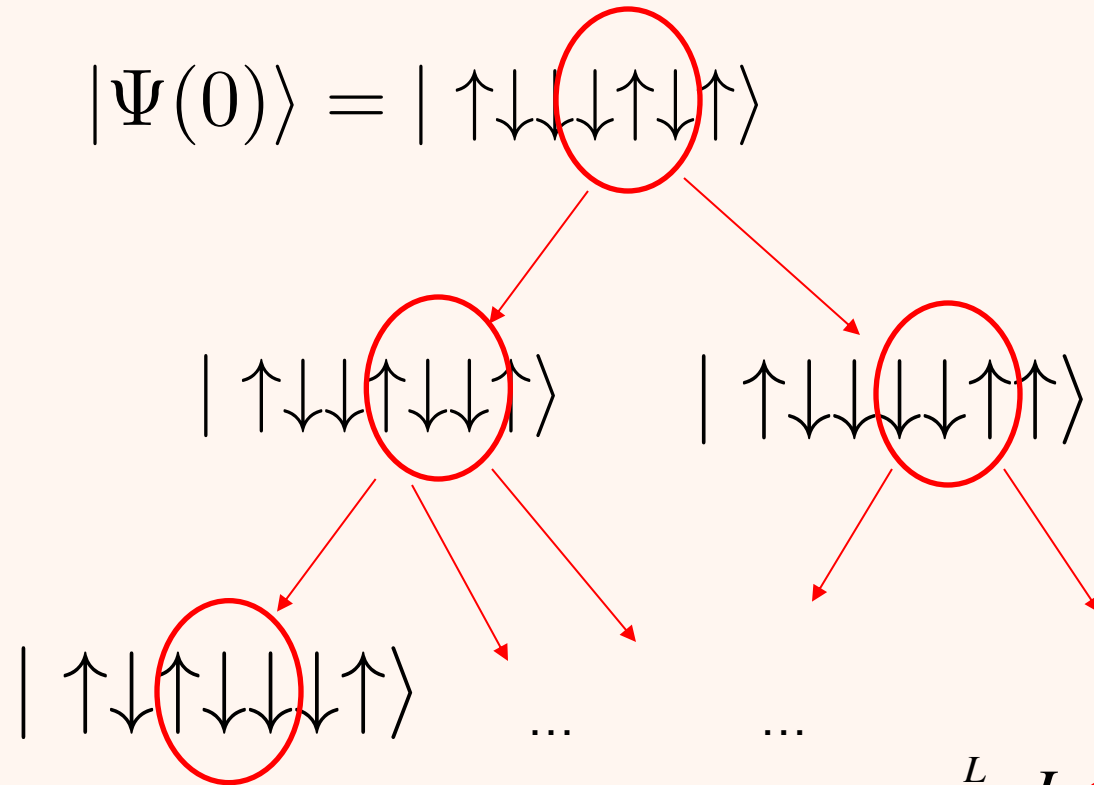


Realistic CHAOTIC spin-1/2 model

$L$ : number of sites



# Spread in the many-body Hilbert space



$$D = \frac{L!}{(L/2)!^2}$$

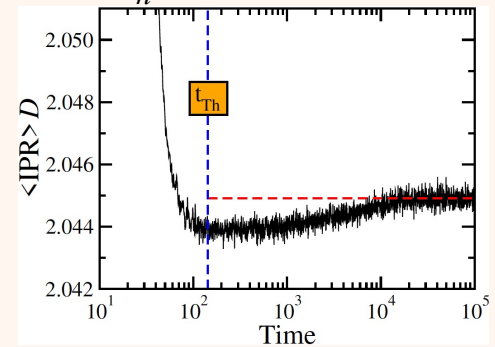
$L$ : number of sites

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

# Spread in the many-body Hilbert space

## THOULESS TIME

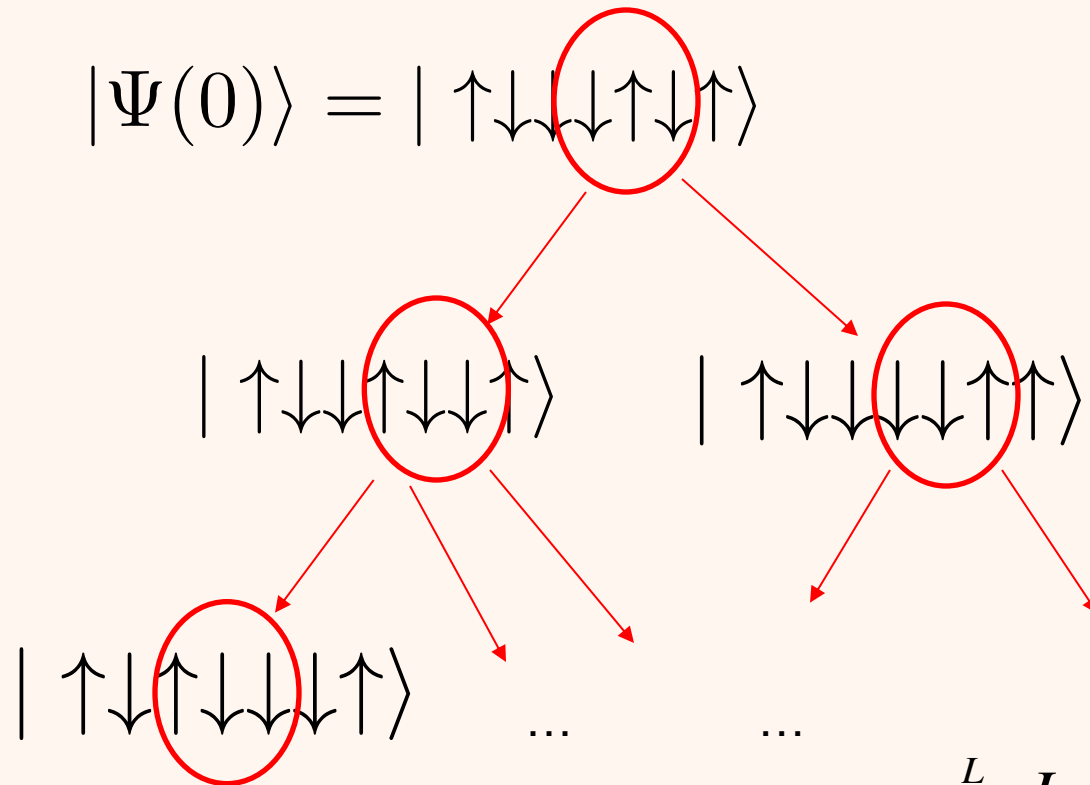
$$IPR(t) = \sum_n \left| \langle n | e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle \right|^4$$



dimension of Hilbert space

$$D = \frac{L!}{(L/2)!^2}$$

$L$ : number of sites



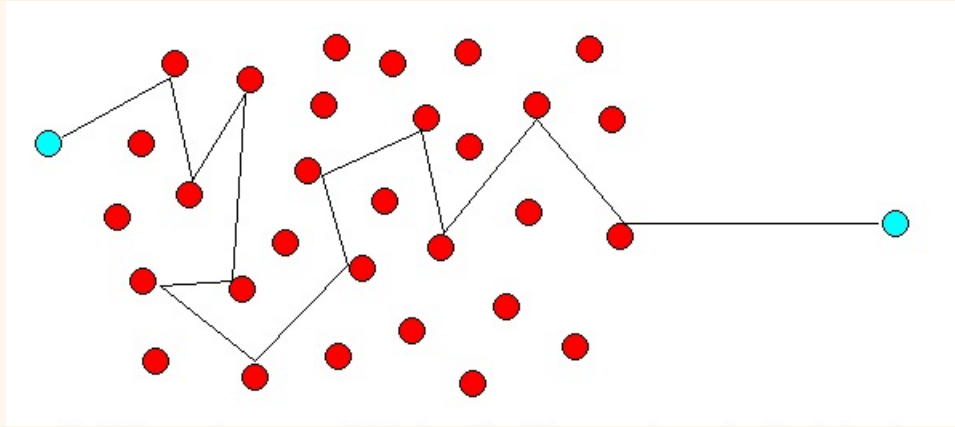
$$V = \sum_{n=1}^L \frac{J}{4} (\sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y + \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z)$$

# Non-Interacting Systems

## THOULESS TIME

\*) Thouless time is the time for an excitation to diffusive through the system and reach its borders. If this time is larger than the maximal time scale of the system (that is, the Heisenberg time), then we have localization.

→ So, delocalization implies  $(t_R)/(t_{Th}) > 1$ .



\*) Thouless energy is the width of the resonances. To explain diffusion via microstates (through resonances between these microstates), their mean level spacing has to be smaller than  $E_{Th}$ . If the mean level spacing is larger than this width, we cannot explain diffusion with microstates.

→ So, delocalization implies that  $(E_{Th})/(\text{mean level spacing}) > 1$ .

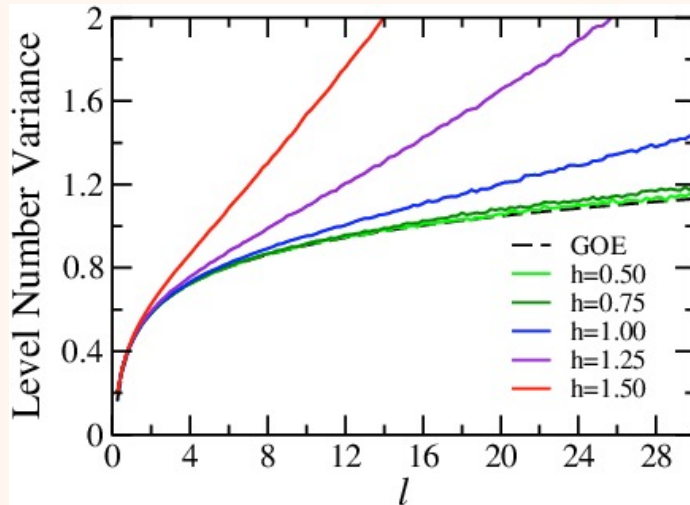
→ The states that are within this energy scale satisfy the properties of full random matrices (level number variance)



# Why Thouless?

## Relation with the Thouless Energy

Level number variance



Bertrandt & García-García  
Phys. Rev. B **94**, 144201 (2016).

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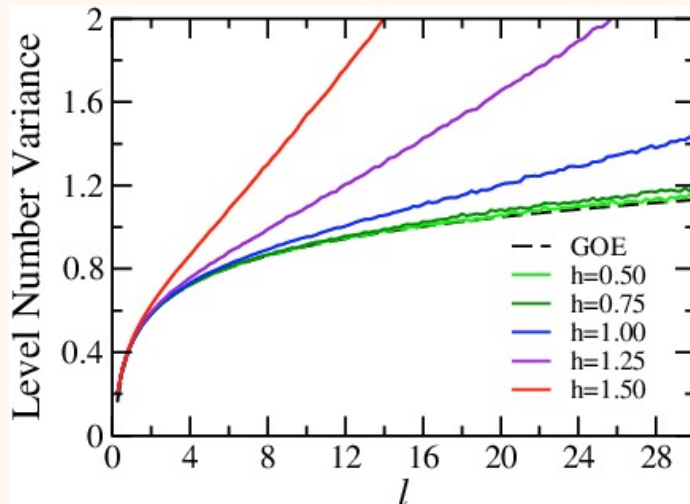
$$E_{Th} \propto \frac{1}{t_{Th}}$$

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

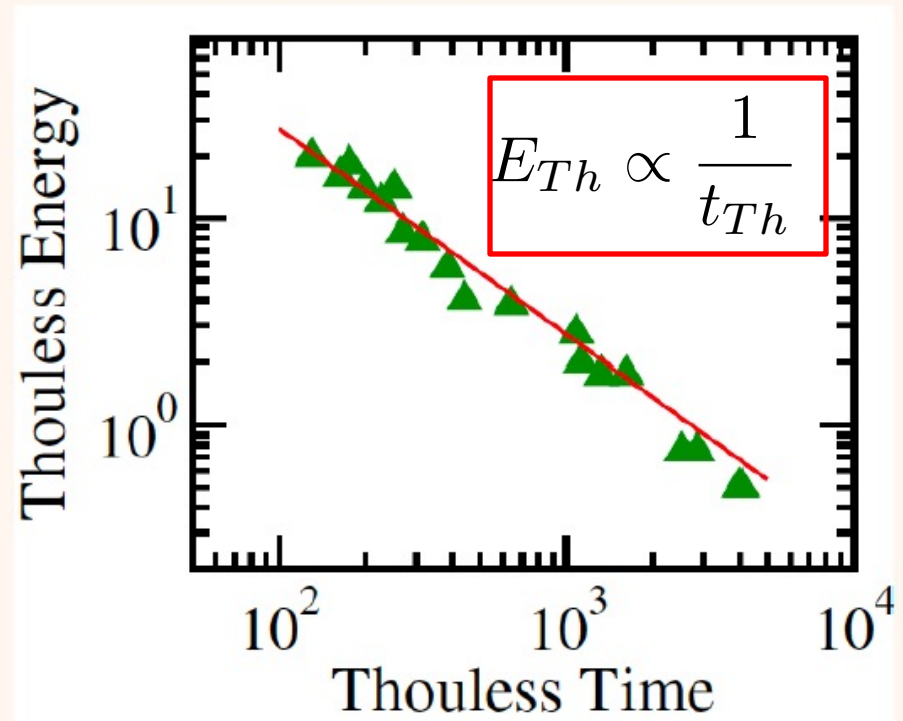
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# Time for Saturation of the Dynamics

GOE Full Random Matrices

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$$\frac{1 - \overline{SP}}{D - 1} \left[ D \frac{\mathcal{J}_1^2(2\Gamma t)}{(\Gamma t)^2} - b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \right] + \overline{SP}$$

$$b_2 \left( \frac{\Gamma t}{2D} \right) \rightarrow \frac{D^2}{3\Gamma^2 t^2} \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{\Gamma t}{D} \gg 1$$

$$\frac{|\langle P_S(t) \rangle - \overline{P_S}|}{\overline{P_S}} \approx \frac{1 - \overline{P_S}}{\overline{P_S}(D - 1)} \frac{D^2}{3\Gamma^2 t^2} \approx \left( \frac{D}{3\Gamma t} \right)^2$$

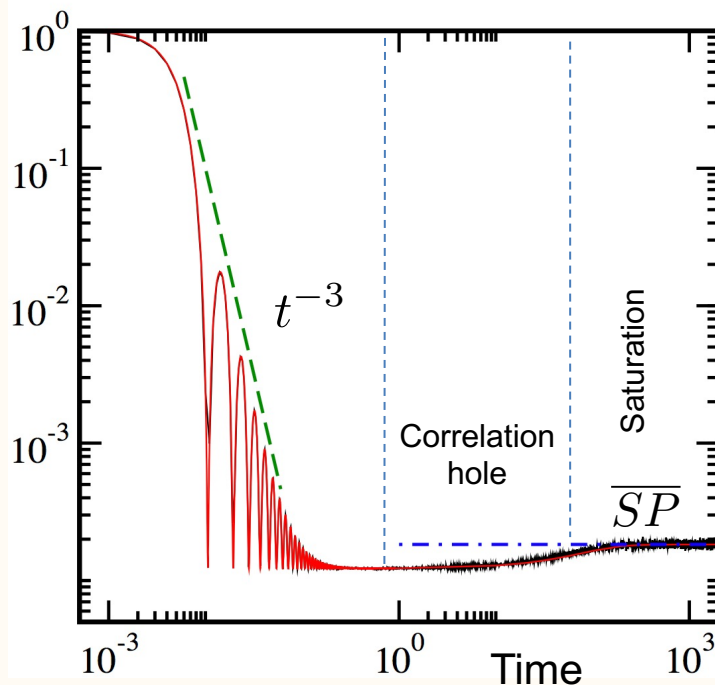
$$\frac{|\langle P_S(t_R) \rangle - \overline{P_S}|}{\overline{P_S}} \sim \delta$$

$$t_R \propto \frac{D}{\Gamma \sqrt{\delta}}$$

HEISENBERG  
time =  
inverse of the mean  
level spacing

Any model

Survival Probability

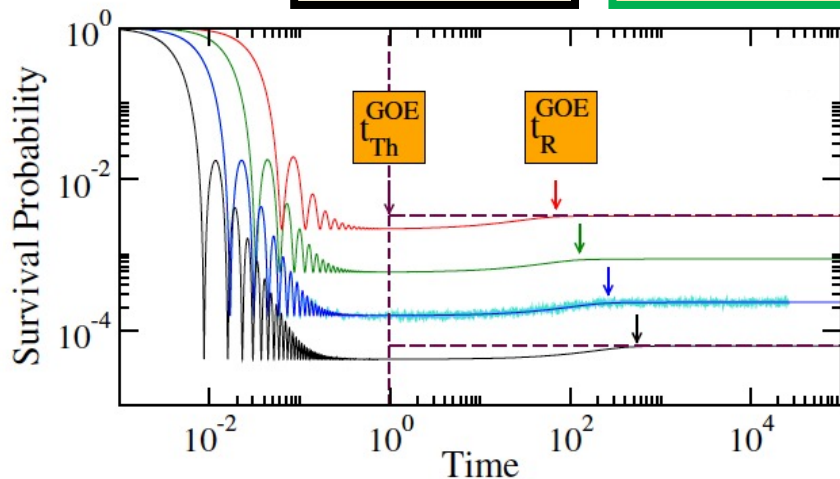


# Thermalization time = Heisenberg time

GOE full random matrix

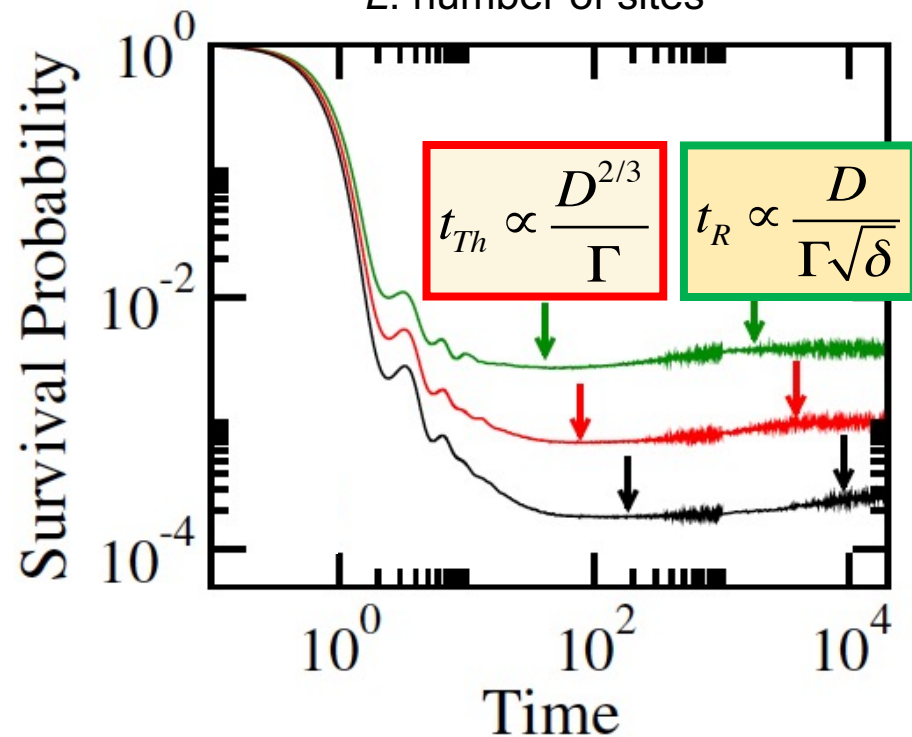
$$t_{Th} = \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^{1/4}$$

$$t_R \propto \frac{D}{\Gamma\sqrt{\delta}}$$



Realistic CHAOTIC spin-1/2 model

$L$ : number of sites



# Realistic spin-1/2 model

Chaotic  $h=0.5J$

Thouless time

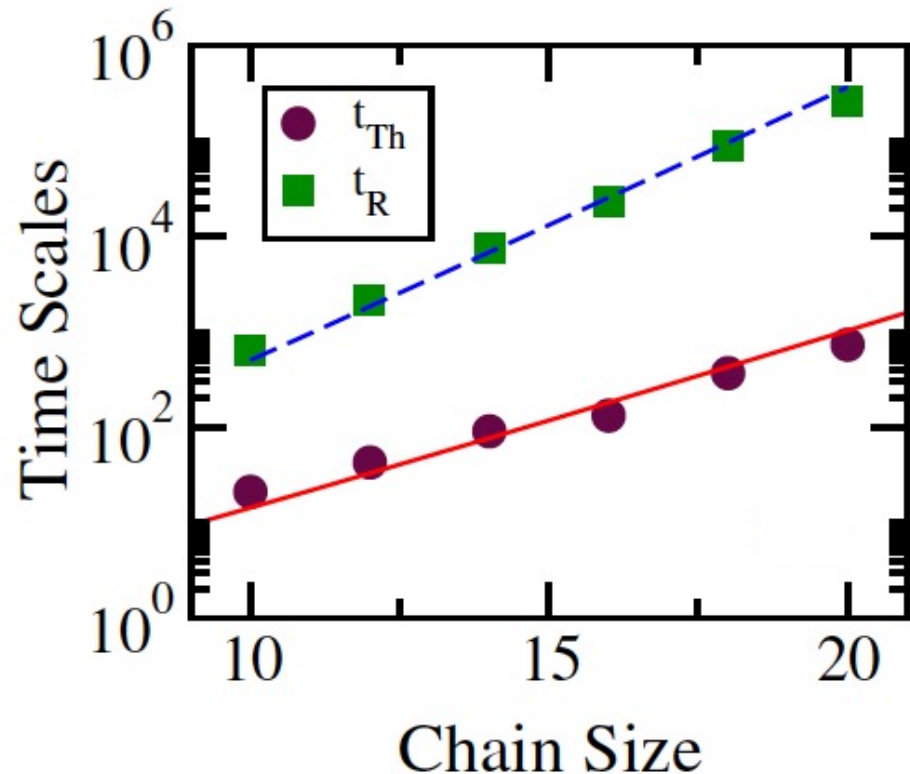
$$t_{Th} \propto \frac{D^{2/3}}{\Gamma}$$

$$\Gamma \propto \sqrt{L}$$

$$D = \frac{L!}{(L/2)!^2}$$

Relaxation time

$$t_R \propto \frac{D}{\Gamma\sqrt{\delta}}$$



$$t_R \propto D^{1/3} t_{Th}$$

hole stretches with L

## Exercise PR(t) and Shannon(t)

- \*) Compute the evolution of PR and Shannon by considering the spread of the initial state in other basis vectors.
- \*) Use GOE random matrices
- \*) Use spin models
- \*) Do averages.

# Spin Autocorrelation Function

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

Local in space

Nonlocal in time

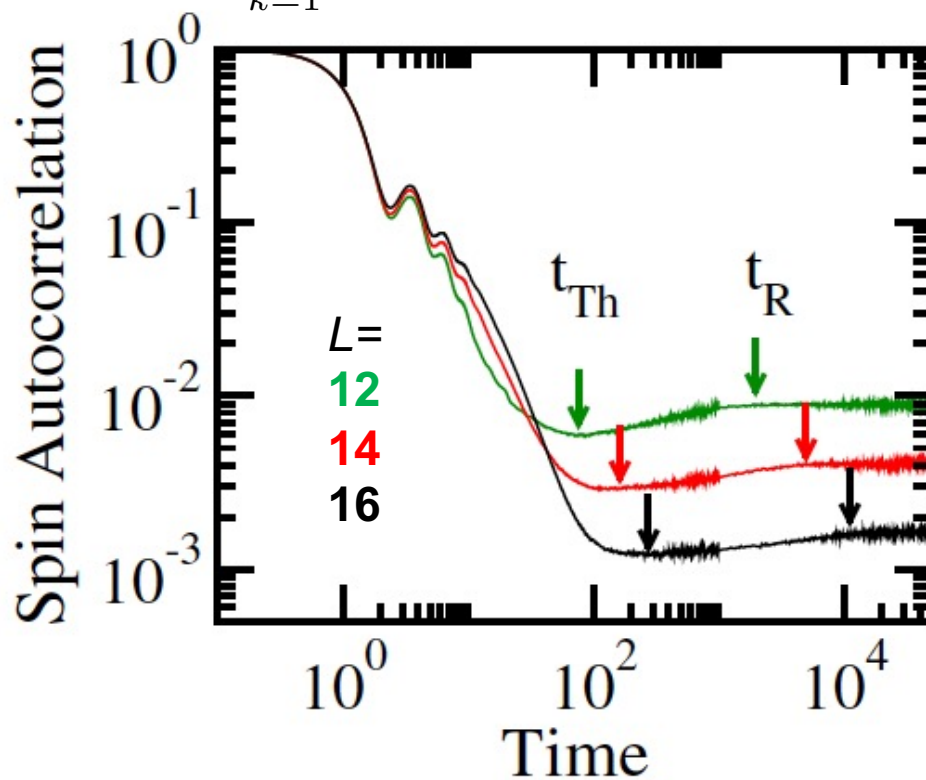
Similar to the density imbalance (experimental)



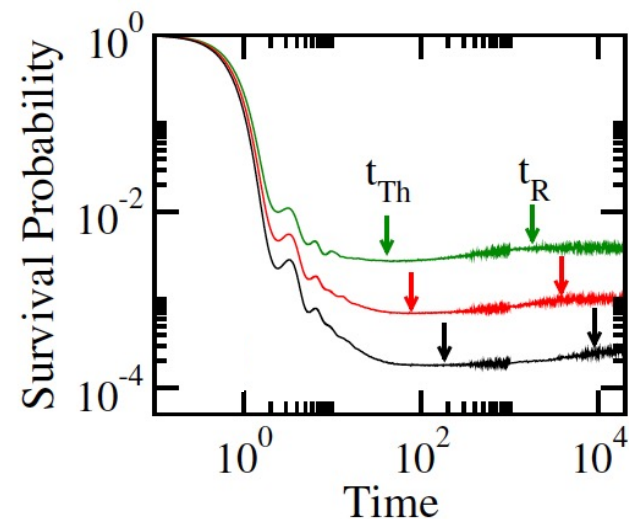
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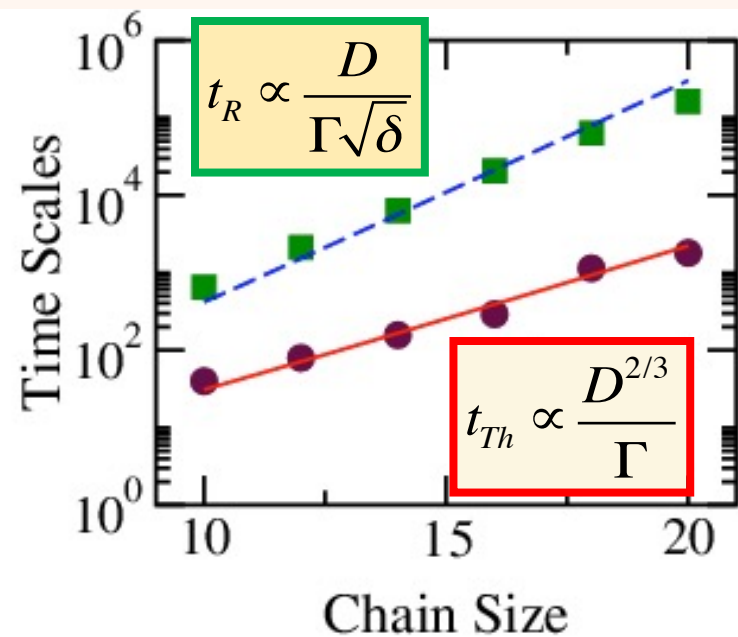
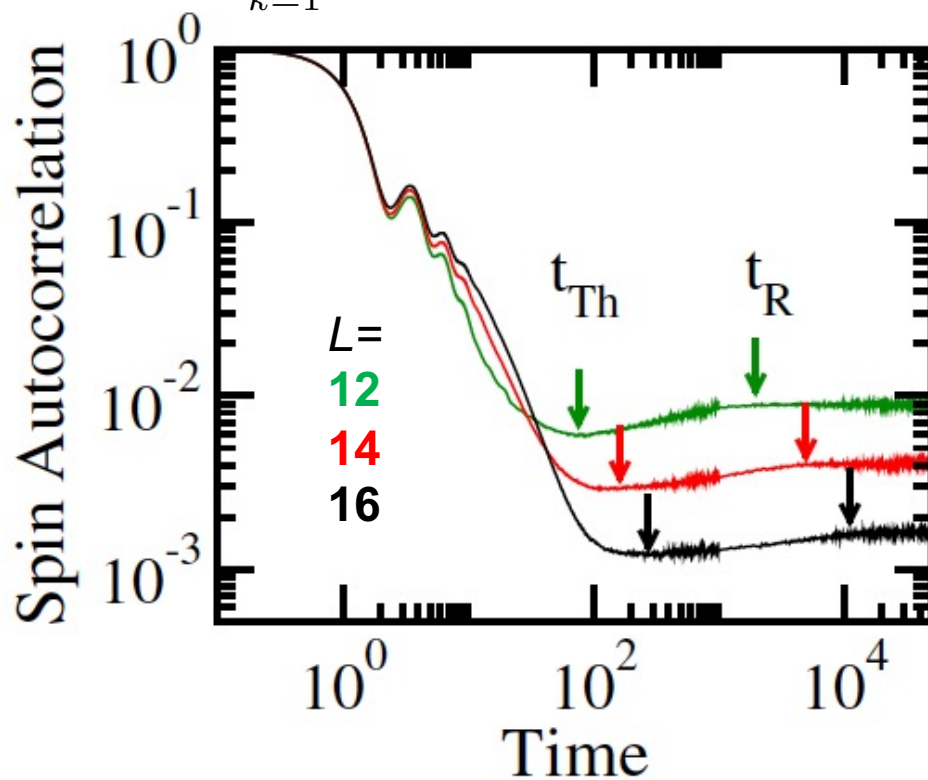
Torres, García-García, LFS  
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# EQUILIBRATION TIME

# Correlation Hole and System Size

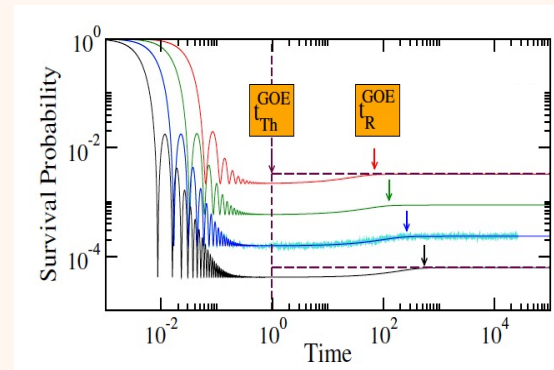
Relative depth of the correlation hole:

$$\kappa = \frac{\langle \overline{O} \rangle - \langle O \rangle_{\min}}{\langle \overline{O} \rangle}$$

Survival probability for GOE matrices:

$$\overline{SP} = 3/D$$

$$SP_{\min} = 2/D$$



$$\kappa = 1/3$$

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# Correlation Hole for the Survival Probability

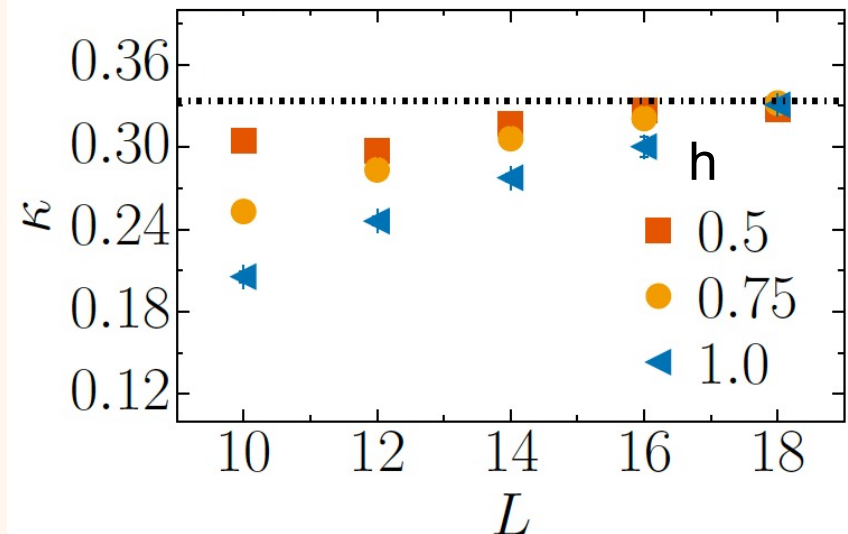
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**Survival probability** for  
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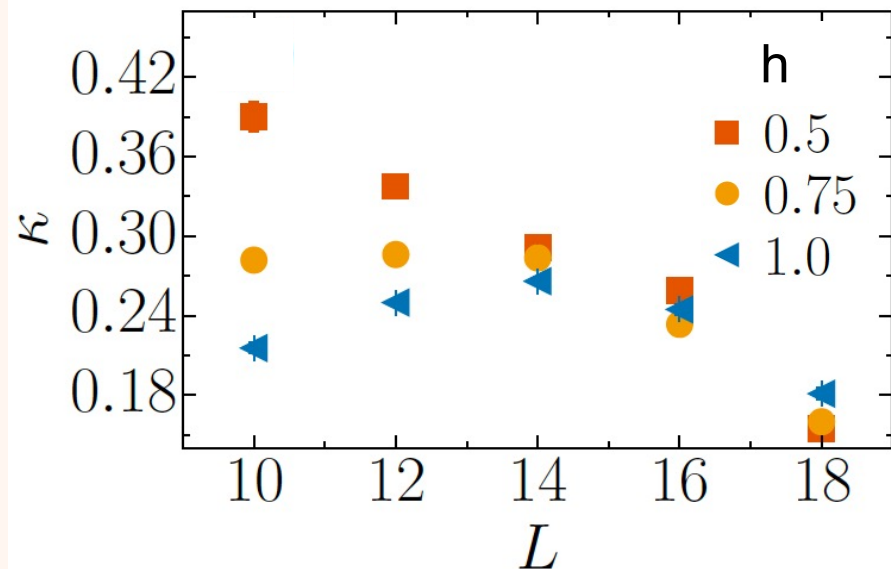
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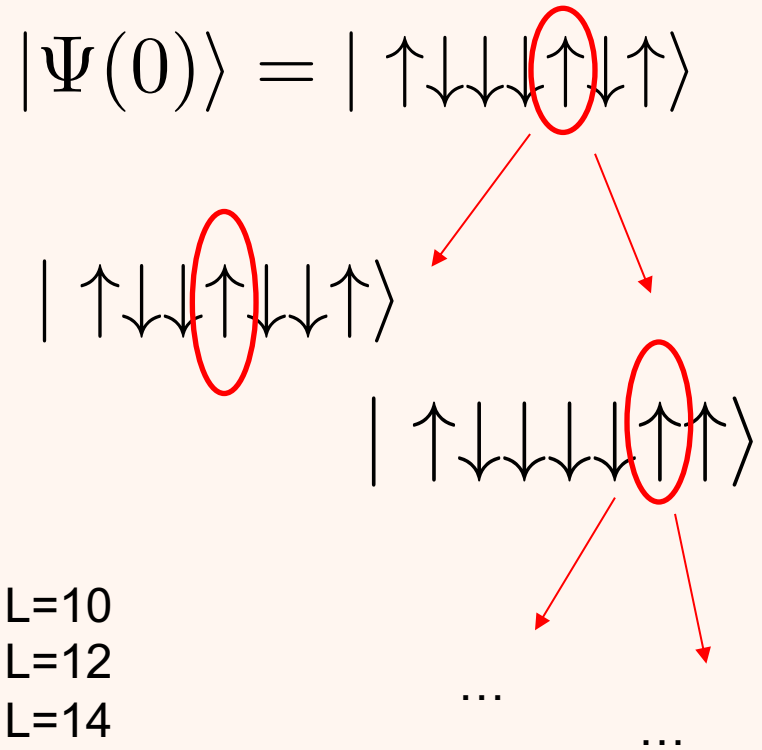
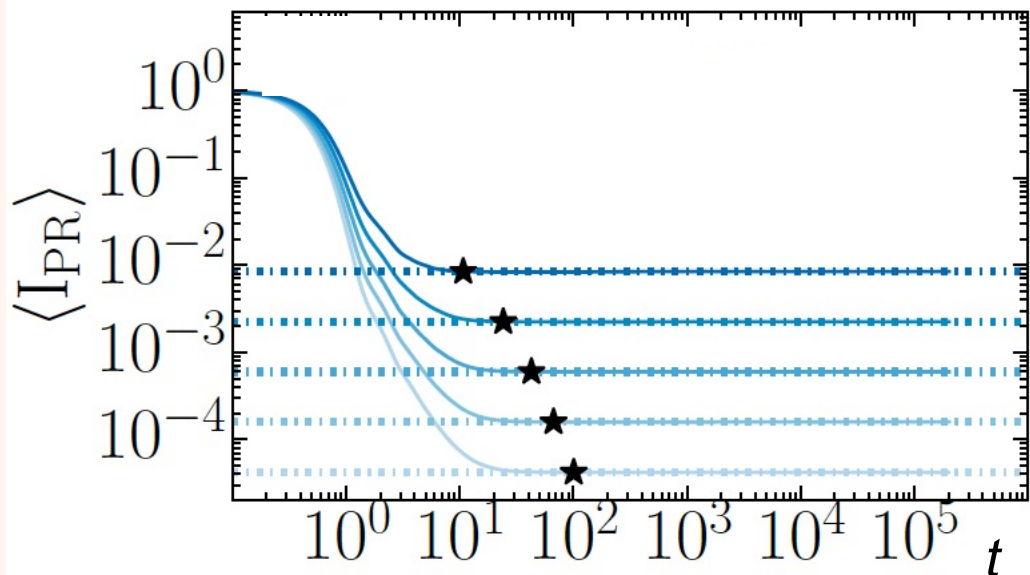


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# Inverse Participation Ratio

$$I_{\text{PR}}(t) = \sum_n |\langle \phi_n | \Psi(t) \rangle|^4$$

$-\text{Log}(\text{IPR}) =$   
2nd-order Rényi entropy

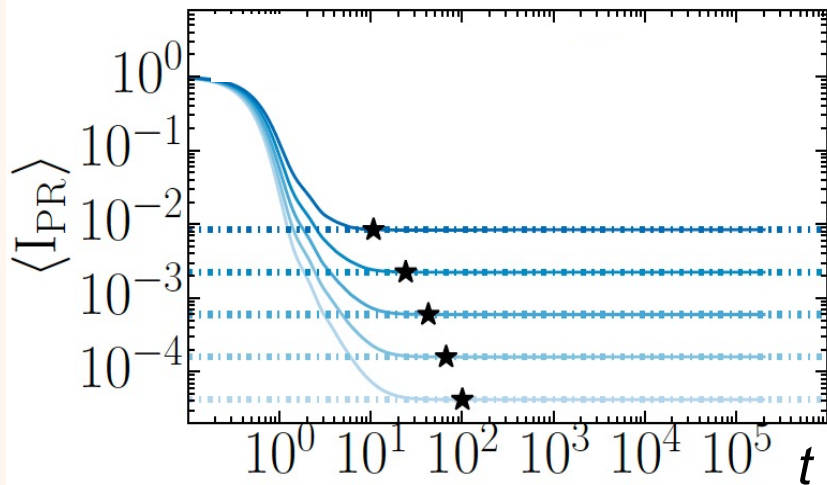


$L=10$   
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 $L=16$   
 $L=18$

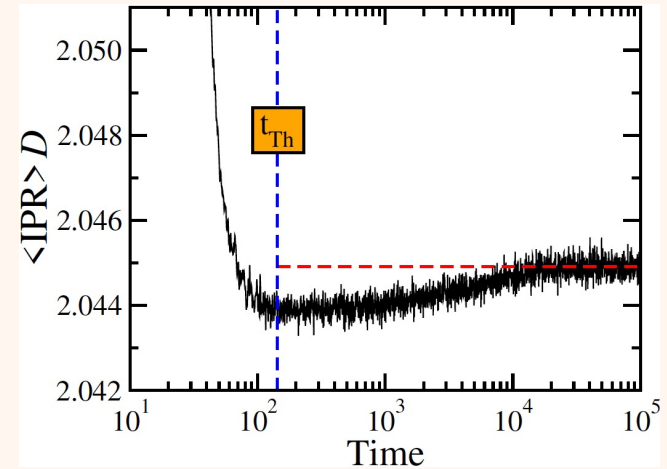
Nonlocal in space  
Local in time

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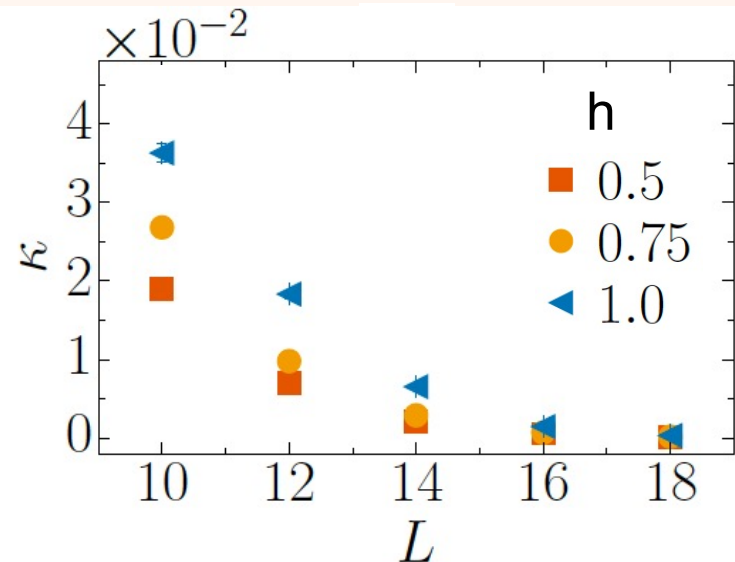
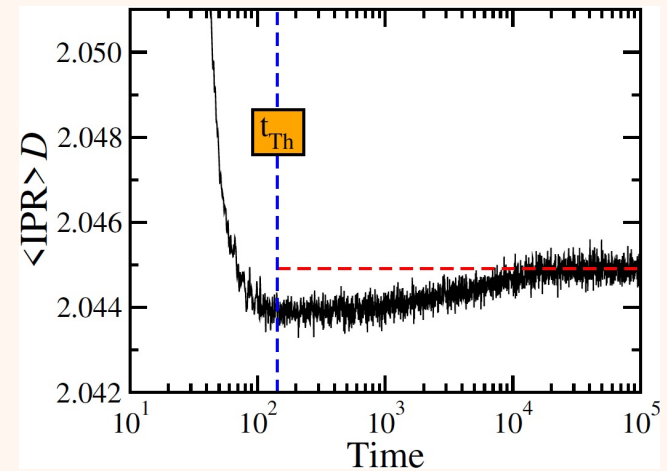
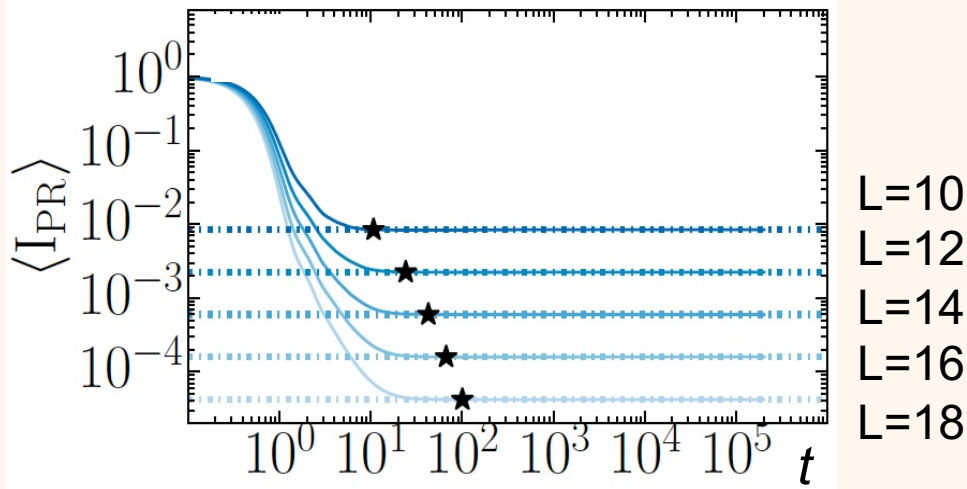


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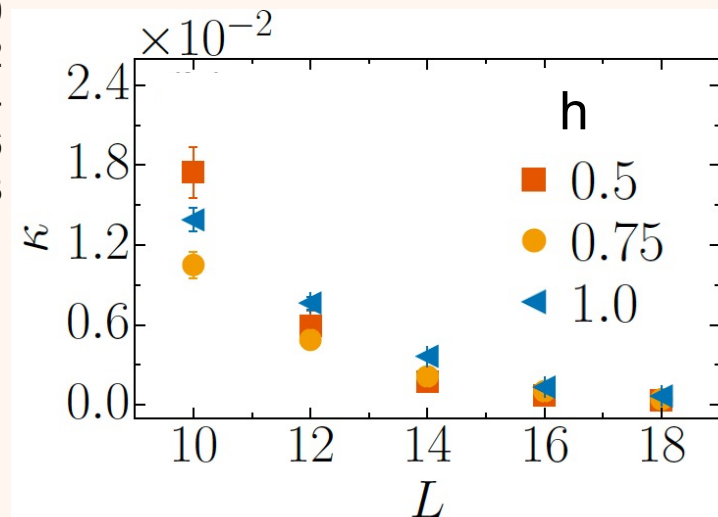
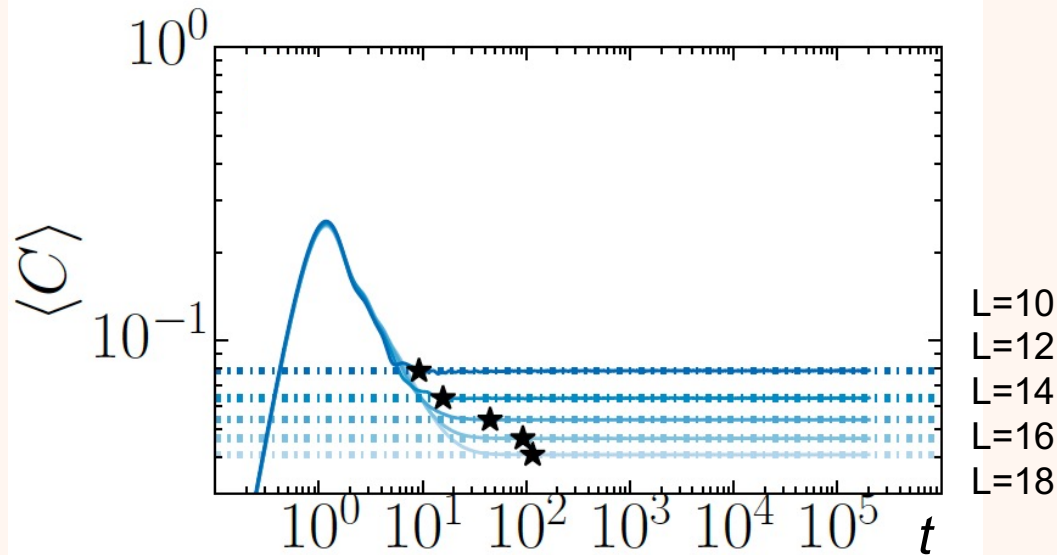


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# Spin-Spin Correlation Function

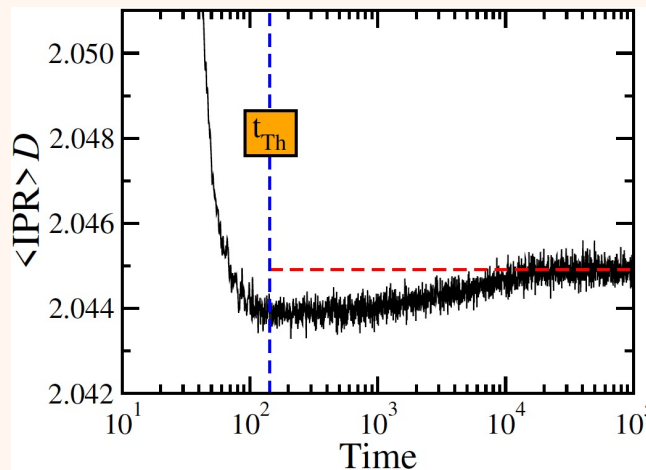
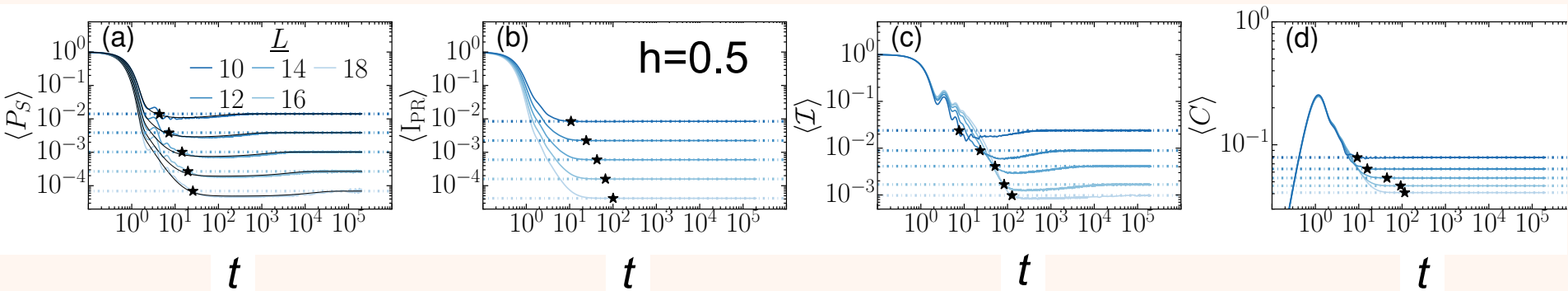
$$C(t) = \frac{4}{L} \sum_{i=1} \left[ \langle \Psi(t) | \hat{S}_i^z \hat{S}_{i+1}^z | \Psi(t) \rangle - \langle \Psi(t) | \hat{S}_i^z | \Psi(t) \rangle \langle \Psi(t) | \hat{S}_{i+1}^z | \Psi(t) \rangle \right]$$



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# Thermalization Time Before the Correlation Hole

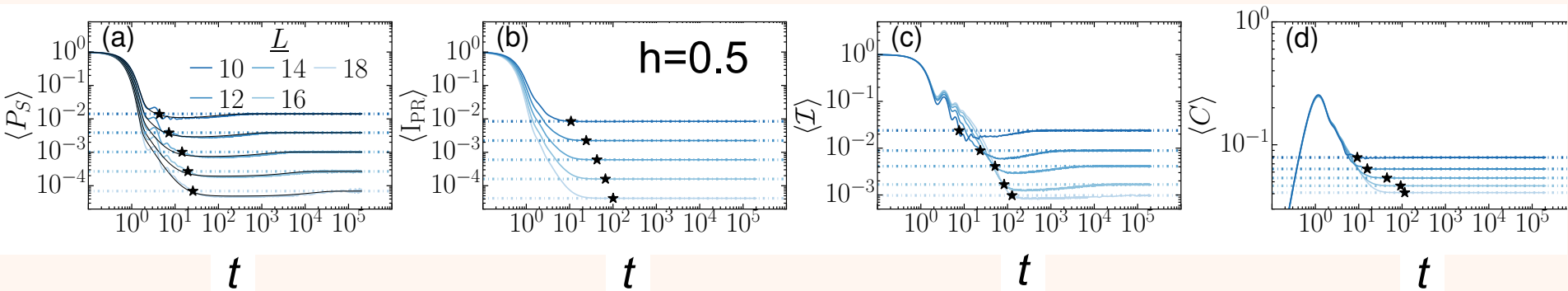


Difficulties:

- No analytical guidance
- Smoothing
- Long times
- Few system sizes

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# Thermalization Time Before the Correlation Hole



$$t^* \propto e^L$$

(deep chaotic region)  
 $h=0.5$

$$t^* \propto L^\gamma$$

$$\gamma > 3$$

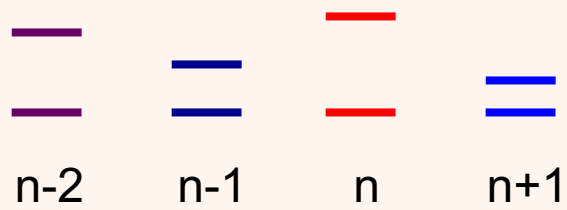
# MANY-BODY LOCALIZATION

# 1D Anderson Localization

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L \left[ \frac{\epsilon_n}{2} \sigma_n^z \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \frac{J}{4} \left( \cancel{\Delta \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z} + \sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y \right)$$

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

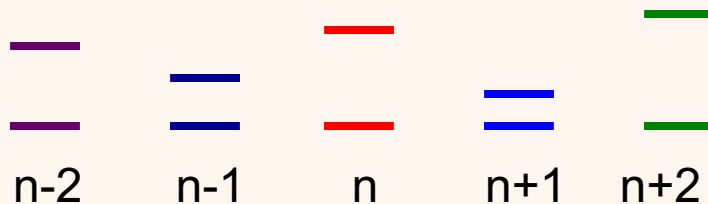
1D  
Anderson  
localization



# 1D disordered Spin-1/2 Model with interaction

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

Onsite disorder  
h: disorder strength

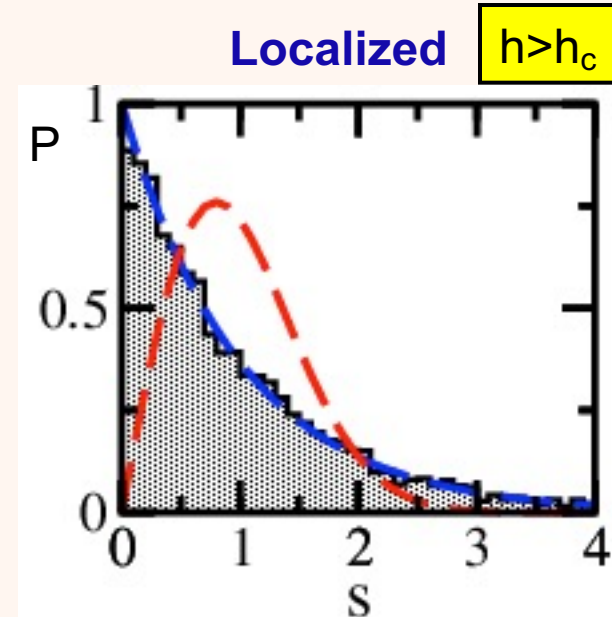
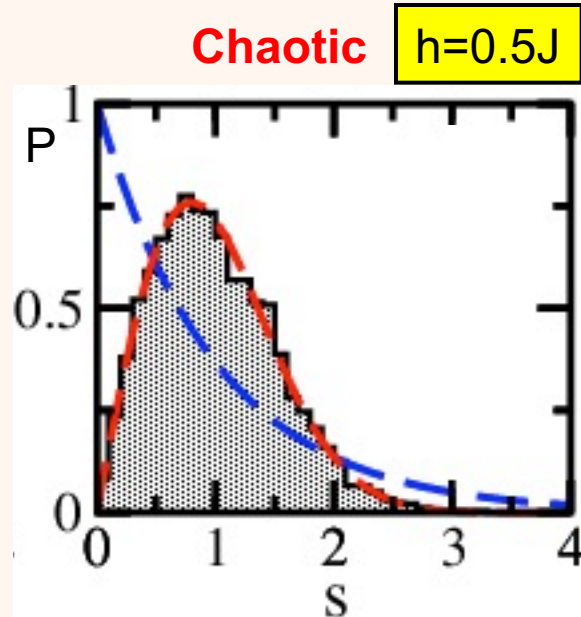


Random numbers

$$h_n \in [-h, h]$$

# 1D Disordered Spin-1/2 Model

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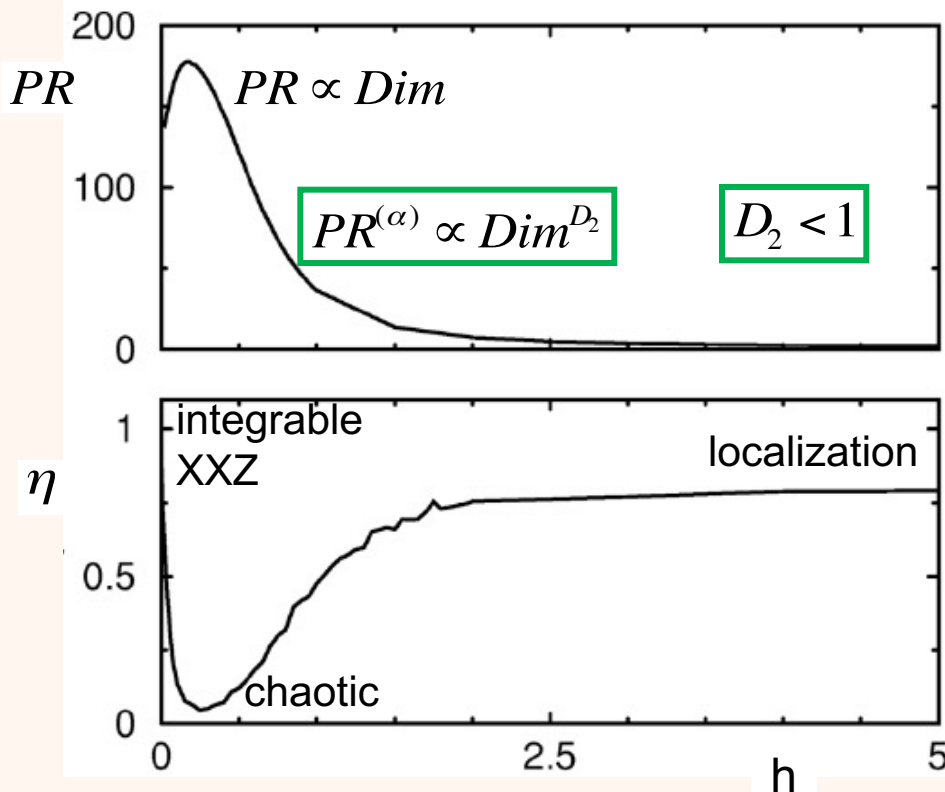


LFS, Rigolin, Escobar  
Entanglement versus chaos in disordered spin chains  
PRA **69**, 042304 (2004)



# Integrable-chaos-integrable

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



## Participation Ratio

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

$$\psi^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{i=1}^D c_i^{(\alpha)} \phi_i$$

$$\eta = \frac{\int_0^{s_0} [P(s) - P_{WD}(s)] ds}{\int_0^{s_0} [P_P(s) - P_{WD}(s)] ds}$$

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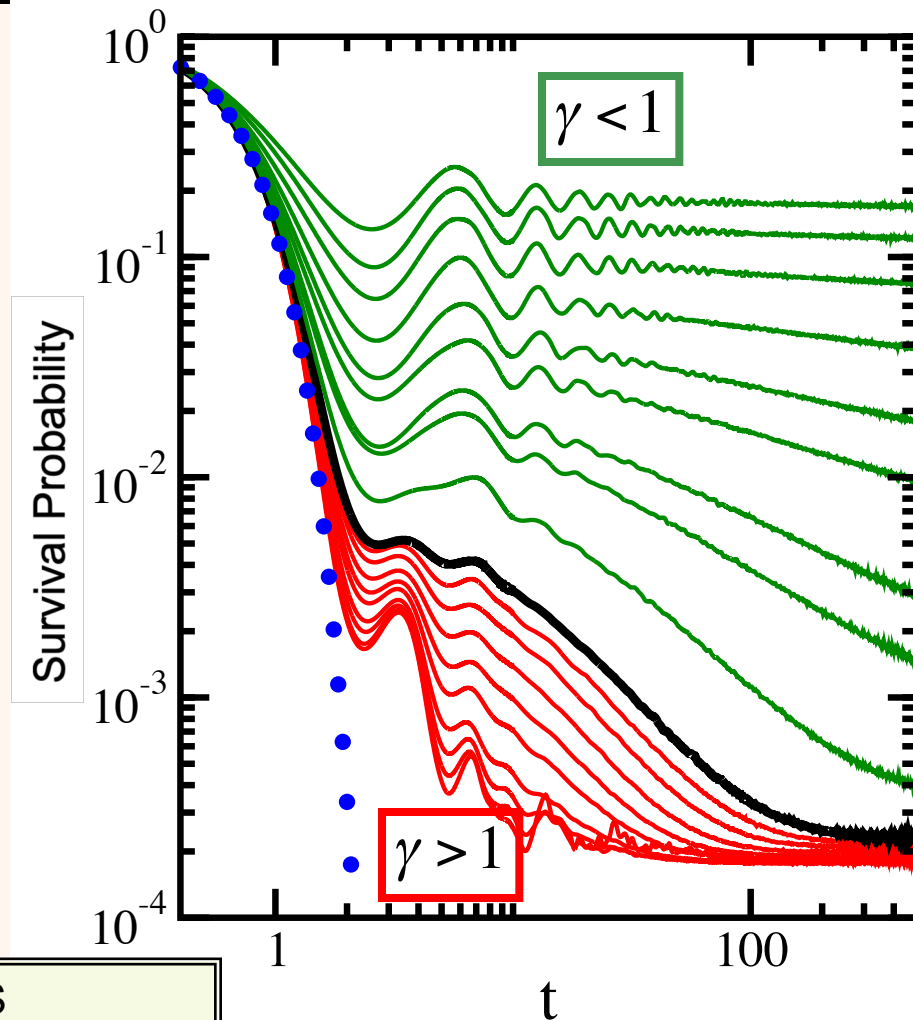
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# Power-law exponent

$$t^{-\gamma}$$

$$PR^{(\alpha)} \propto Dim^{D_2}$$



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$$h > J$$

$$t^{-\gamma}$$

$$h < J$$

$$PR^{(\alpha)} \propto Dim$$

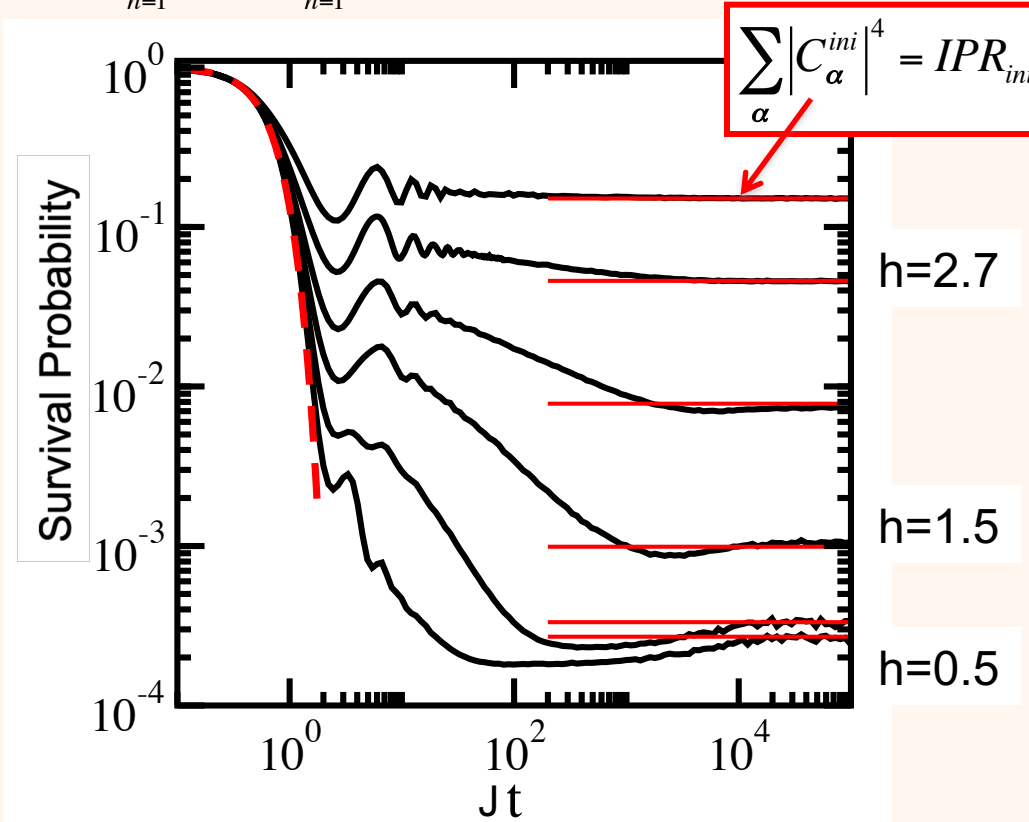
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# Sparse LDOS

## System with strong disorder

$$H_{final} = \sum_{n=1}^L h_n S_n^z + \sum_{n=1}^L J(S_n^x S_{n+1}^x + S_n^y S_{n+1}^y + S_n^z S_{n+1}^z)$$

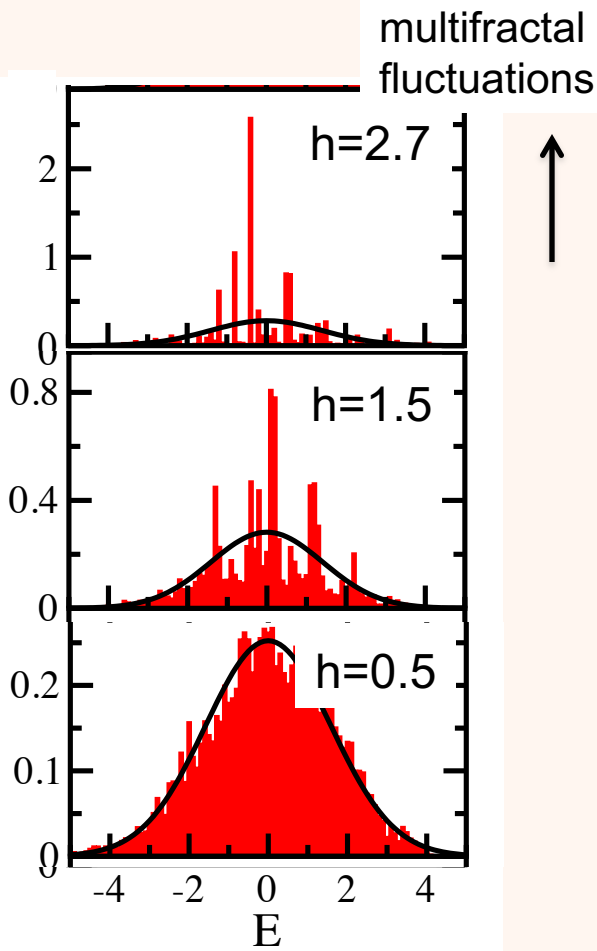
$$\sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^4 = IPR_{ini}$$



$$|C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2$$

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L=16, 8 up spins

# Power-law Exponent and $D_2$

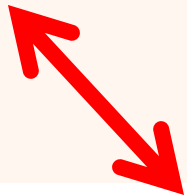
$$SP(t) = \left| \sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 e^{-iE_{\alpha}t} \right|^2$$

$h > J$

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle = \int G(E) e^{-iEt} dE$$

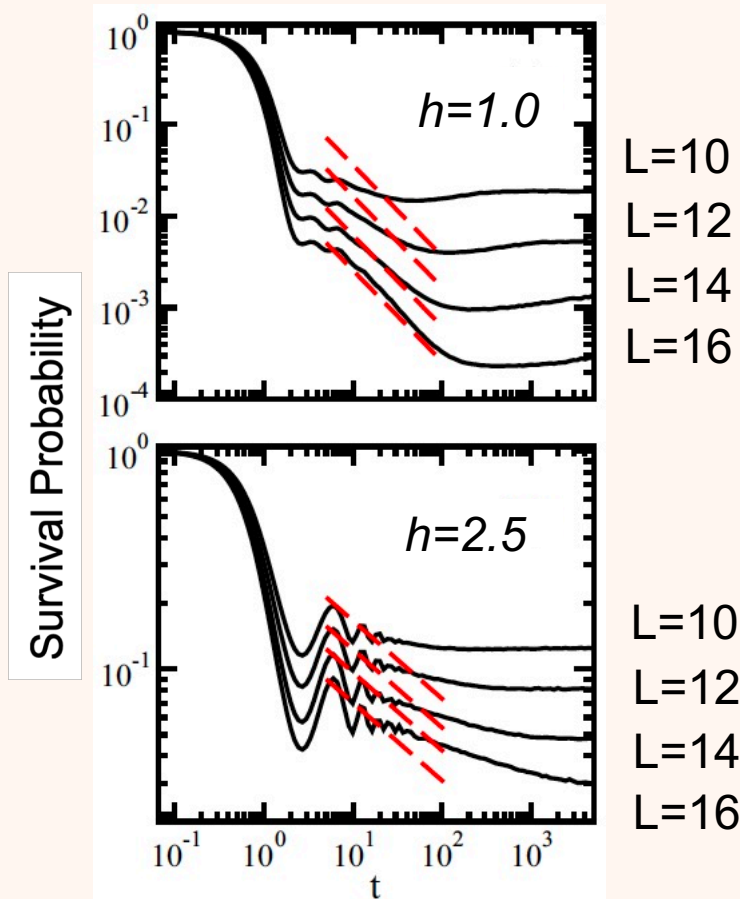
$$G(E) = \left\langle \sum_{\alpha\beta} |C_{\alpha}^{ini}|^2 |C_{\beta}^{ini}|^2 \delta(E_{\alpha} - E_{\beta} - E) \right\rangle$$

$$G(E \rightarrow 0) \propto E^{\gamma - 1}$$

$$\langle SP(t) \rangle \propto t^{-\gamma}$$


Torres & LFS  
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# Power-law Exponent and $D_2$



Power-law exponent coincides with the generalized dimension  $D_2$

$$h > J$$

$$t^{-\gamma}$$

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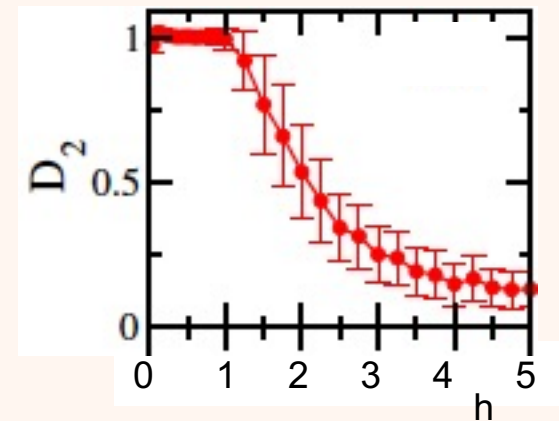
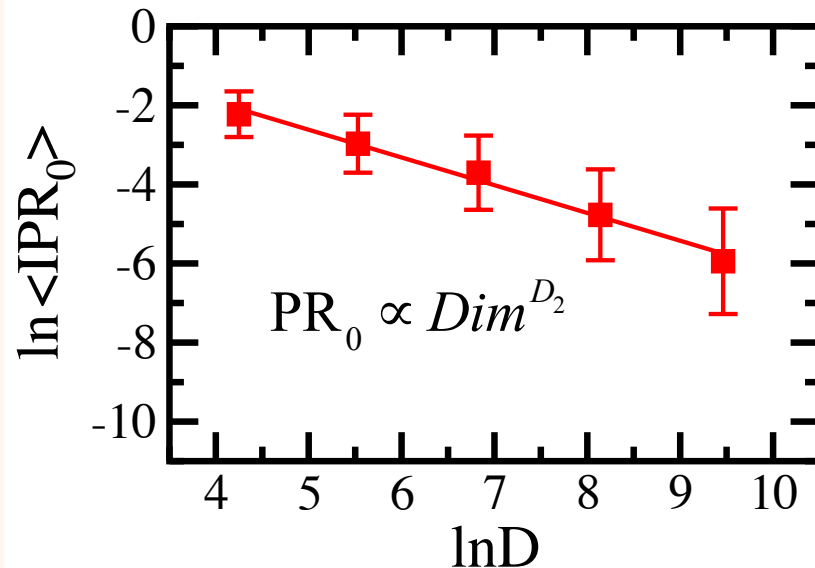
Finite-size effects

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# Power-law exponent: correlations

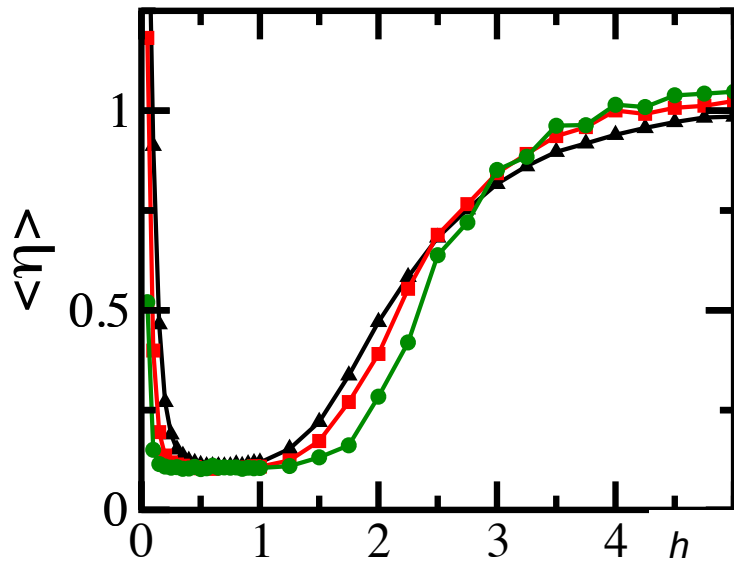
$$PR_0 = \frac{1}{\sum_{\alpha} |C_{\alpha}^{(0)}|^4} \propto (Dim)^{D_2} \Rightarrow D_2 < 1$$

$h > J$

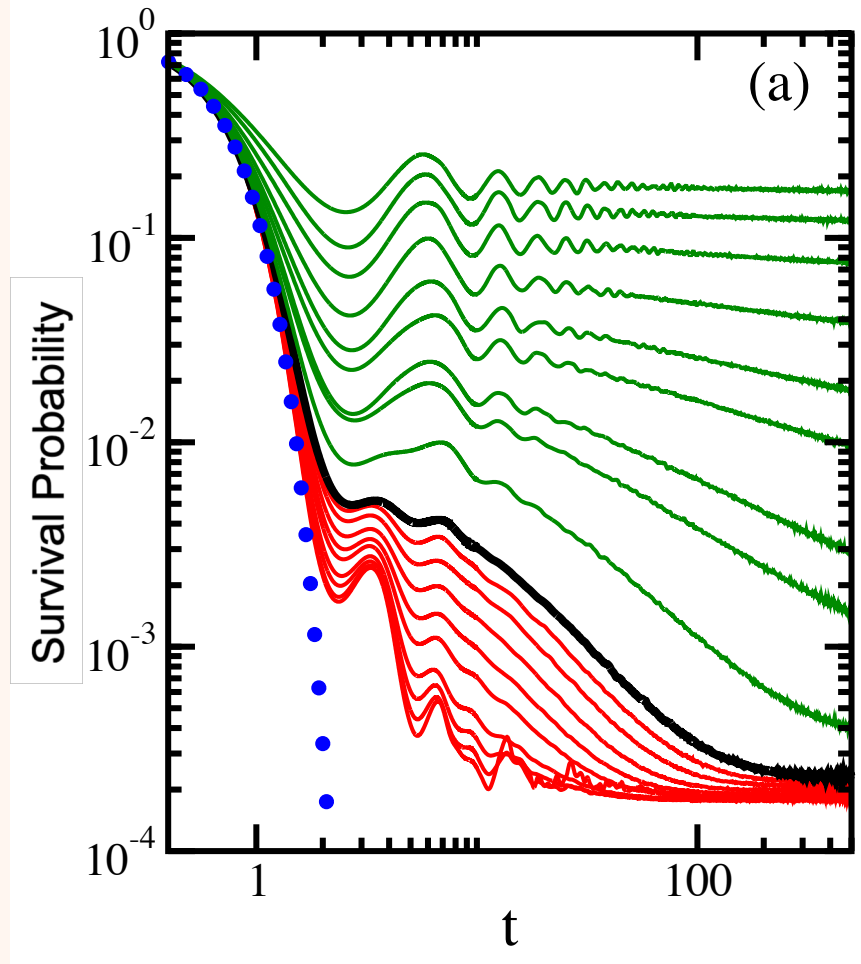


Generalized dimension  
Multifractal dimension

# Scaling Analysis?



$\eta=0$ : chaos



# Entropies: log behavior

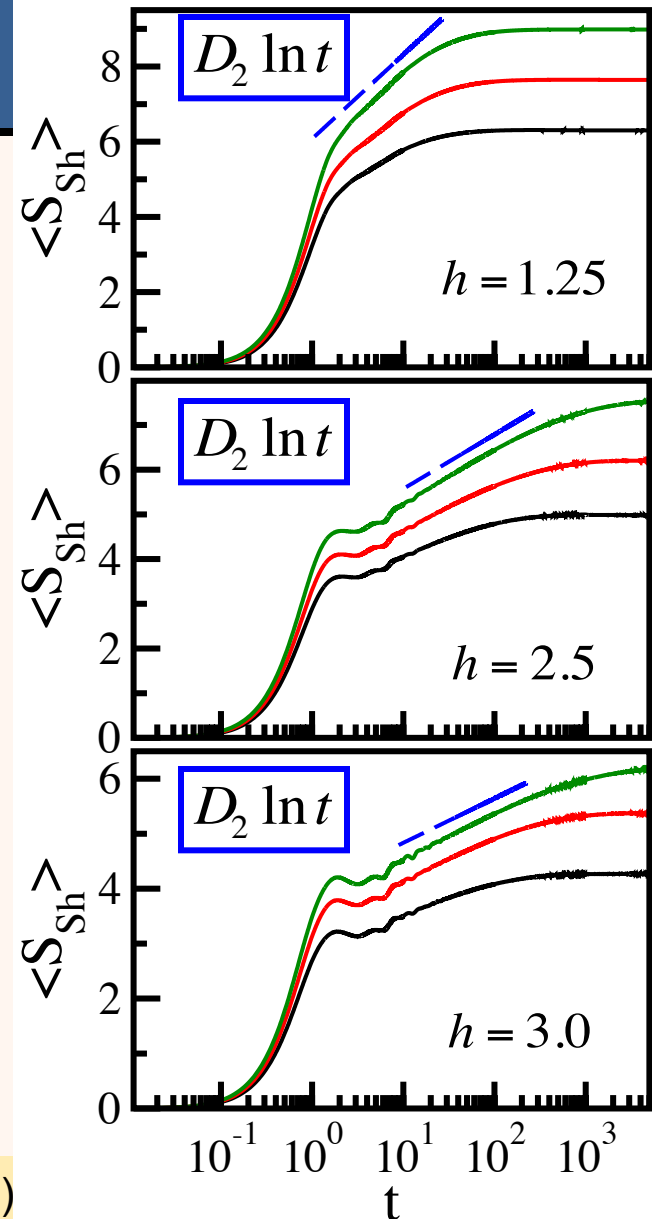
Intermediate level statistics:  $h > J$

Nonergodic delocalized states:  $PR^{(\alpha)} \propto \text{Dim}^{D_2}$

$$D_2 < 1$$

$$Sh(t) = - \sum_n W_n(t) \ln W_n(t)$$

$$W_n(t) = \left| \langle \phi_n | e^{-iHt} | \Psi(0) \rangle \right|^2$$



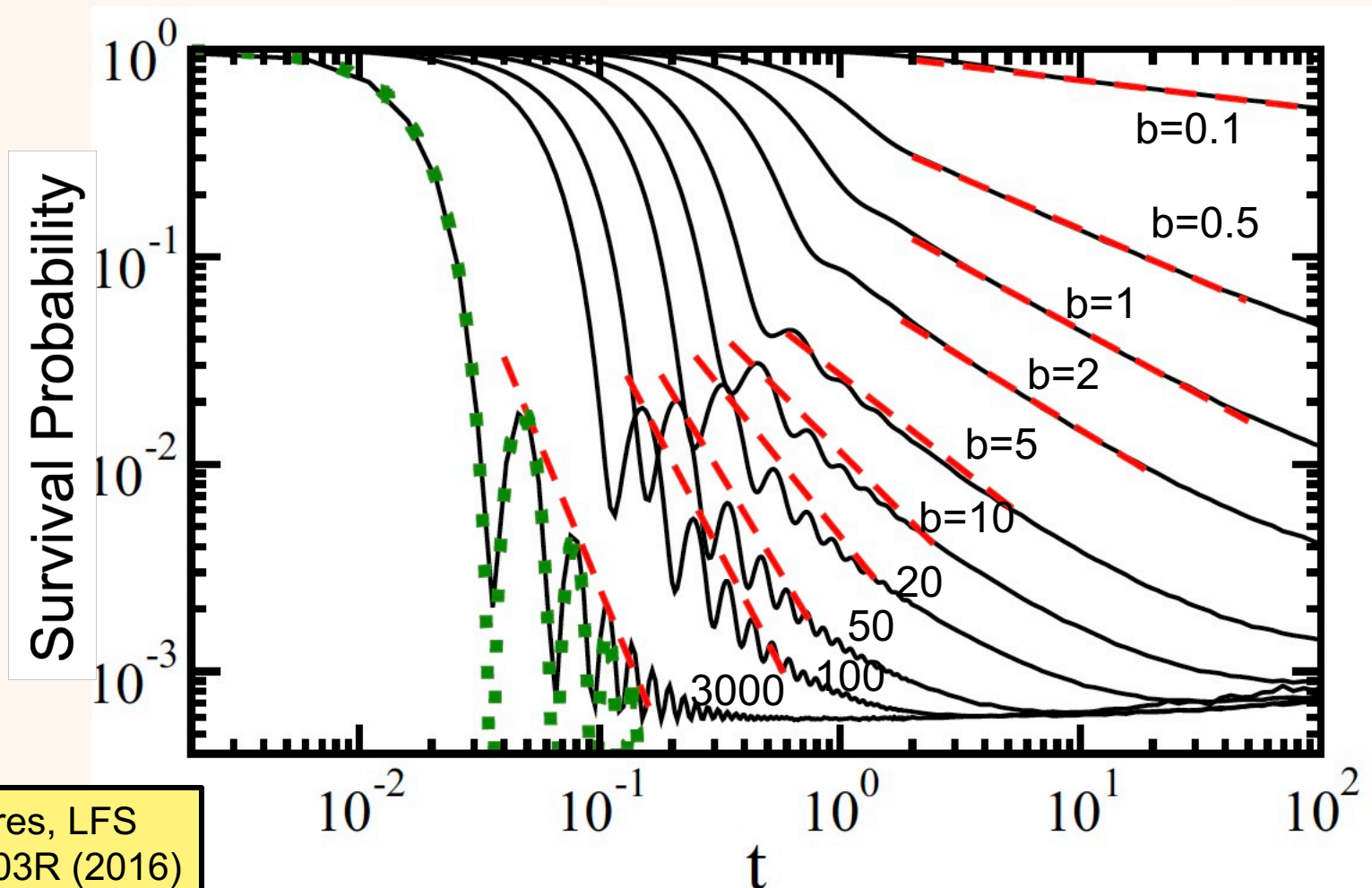


# Survival Probability: PBRM

$$\langle H_{nn}^2 \rangle = 2$$

$$1/[1 + |(n - m)/b|^2]$$

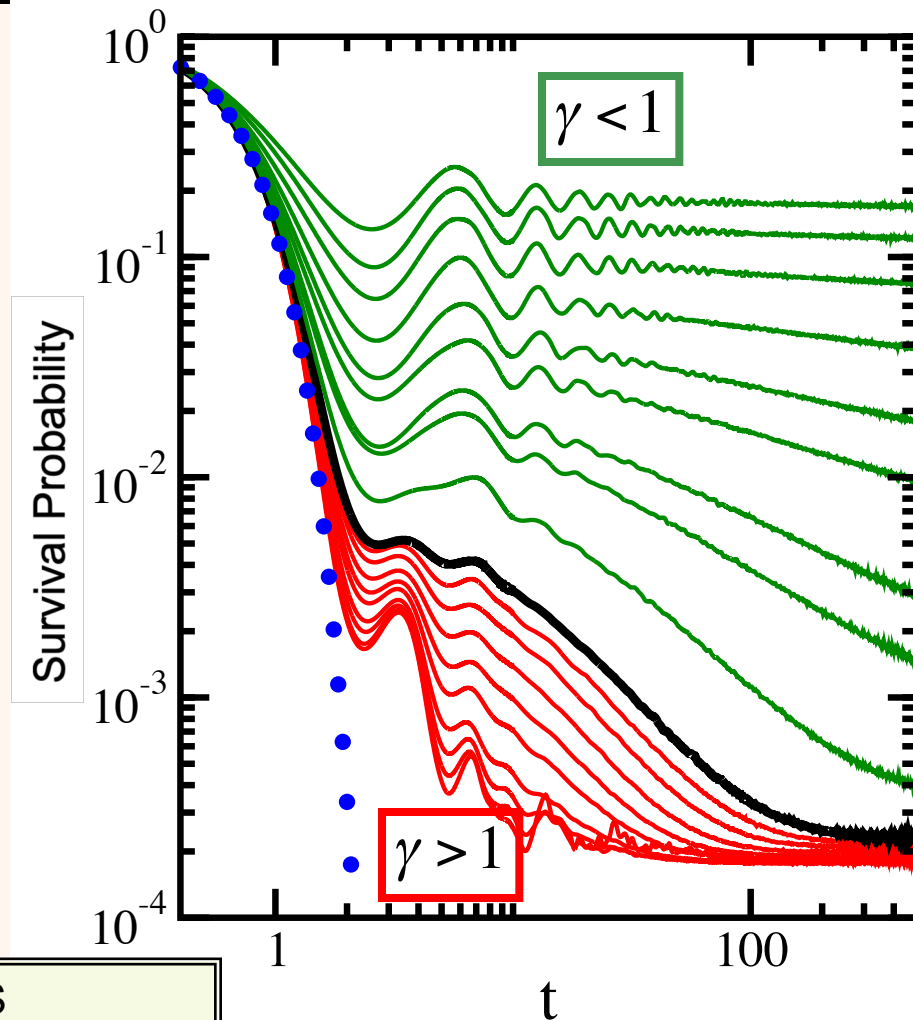
D=3432



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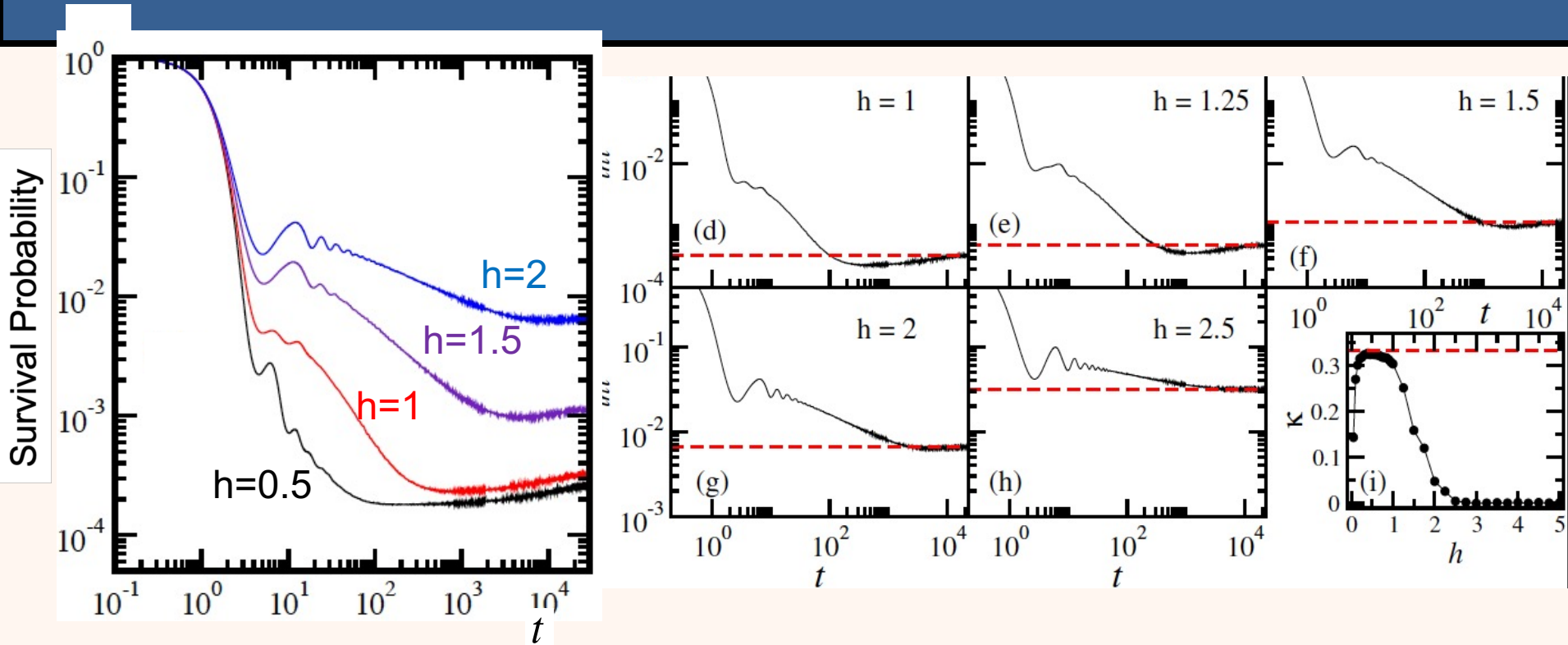
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# Correlation Hole and Disorder Strength



The hole becomes narrower and shallower.

Time for the minimum of the hole ( $T_{Th}$ ) gets postponed as the disorder ( $h$ ) increases.

Fixed system size  
 $L=16$

# Thouless Time and Disorder Strength

Thouless dimensionless conductance  $\frac{t_R}{t_{Th}} \propto \frac{E_{th}}{MLS}$

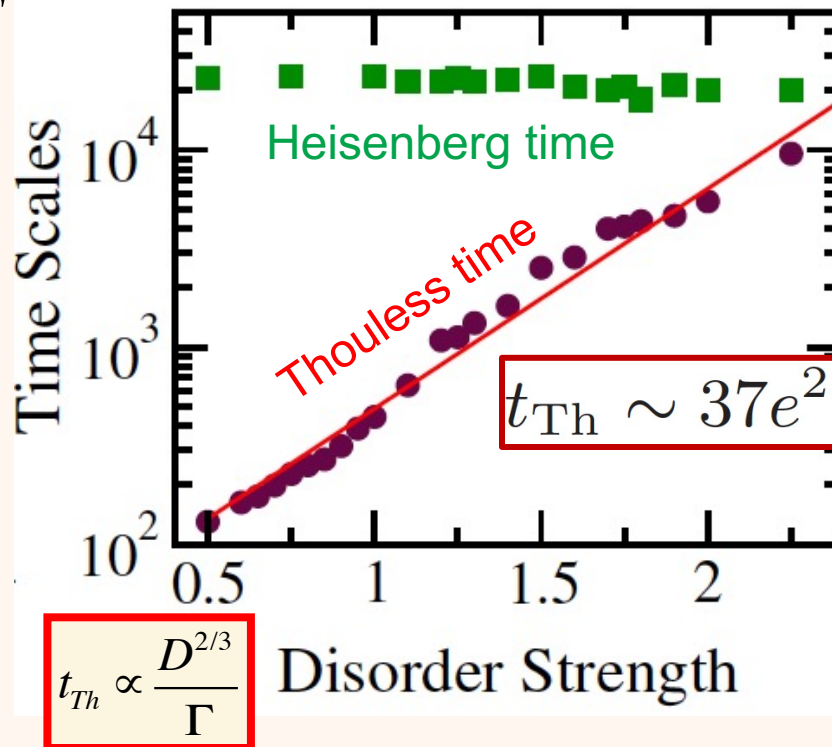
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SURVIVAL PROBABILITY

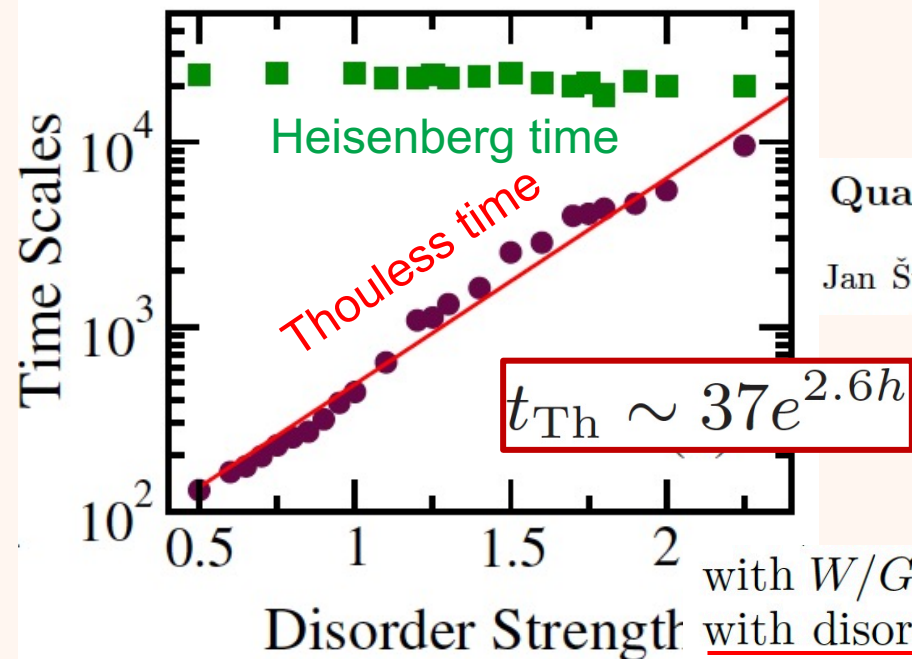


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Quantum chaos challenges many-body localization

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with  $W/G_0$ , which suggests an exponential growth of  $t_{\text{Th}}$  with disorder  $W$ . We express these two observations by the ansatz for  $t_{\text{Th}}$  in which the  $L$  and  $W$  dependences are decoupled,

$$t_{\text{Th}} = t_0 e^{W/\Omega} L^2, \quad (4)$$

and  $\Omega$  is a constant. While the results in Figs. 3(a)

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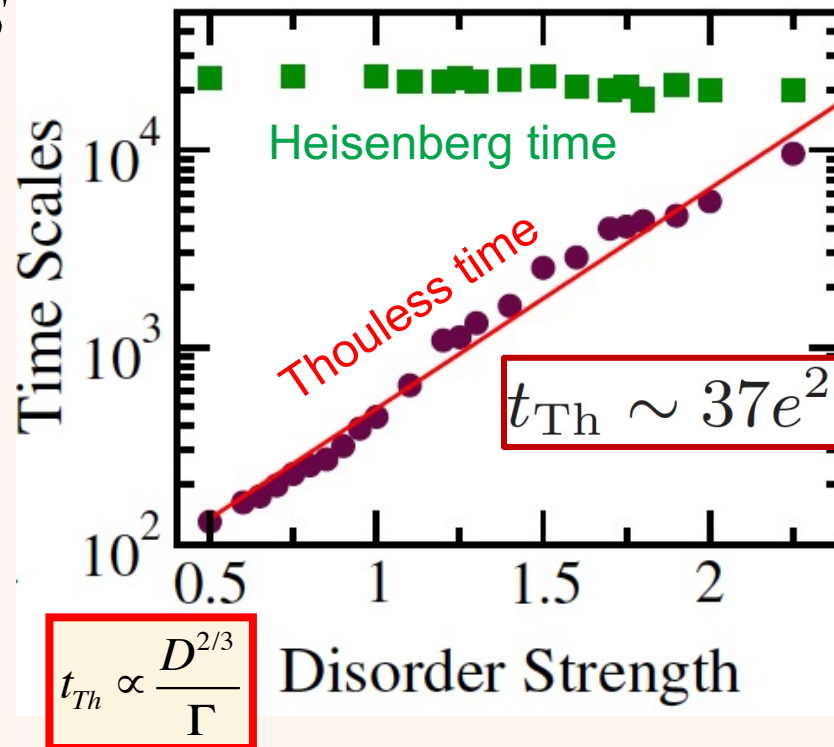
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$$t_{Th} \propto \frac{D^{2/3}}{\Gamma}$$

$$t_{Th} \sim 37e^{2.6h}$$

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In this work we introduce an indicator of the ergodicity breaking transition in finite many-body systems,

$$g = \log_{10}(t_H/t_{Th}), \quad (1)$$

which is proportional to the logarithm of the dimensionless conductance  $t_{Th}/t_H$  and hence carries similarities with the dimensionless conductance in studies of Anderson localization. The ergodicity indicator  $g$  interpolates between the quantum ergodic regime  $t_{Th}/t_H \rightarrow 0$  [ $g \rightarrow \infty$ ] and the nonergodic regime  $t_{Th}/t_H \rightarrow \infty$  [ $g \rightarrow -\infty$ ] in the thermodynamic limit. Our main result is that  $g$  exhibits a scaling solution across the ergodicity breaking transition in certain disordered spin chains at  $t_{Th} \approx t_H$ . The scaling solution exhibits clear signatures of a crossing point that can be readily detected in rather small systems. The finite-size analysis indicates robustness of quantum chaos upon increasing the disorder; however, limitations to relatively small lattice sizes also prevent us from making conclusions about the fate of the critical regime in the thermodynamic limit.

# Spin Autocorrelation Function

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

Local in space

Nonlocal in time

Similar to the density imbalance (experimental)



# Spin Autocorrelation Function and Disorder Strength

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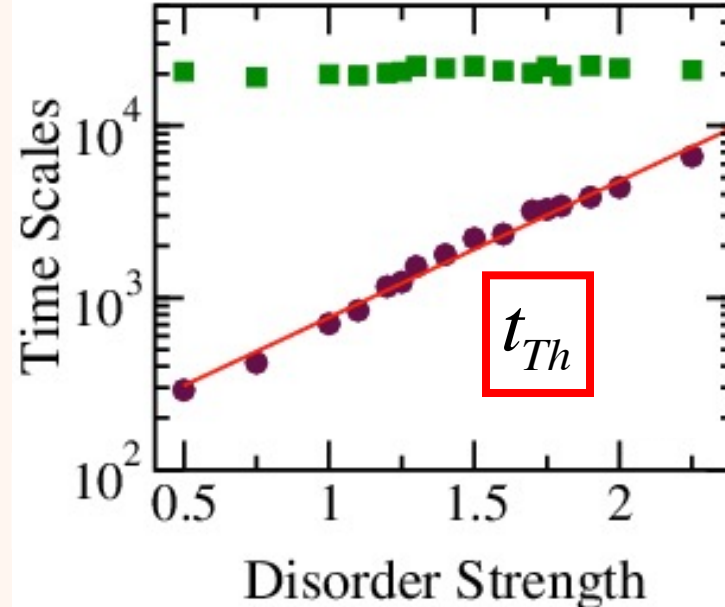
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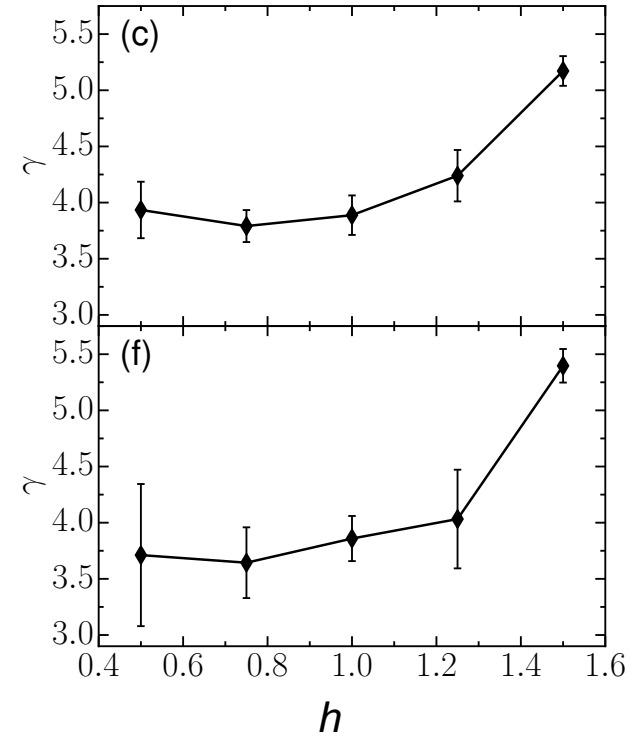
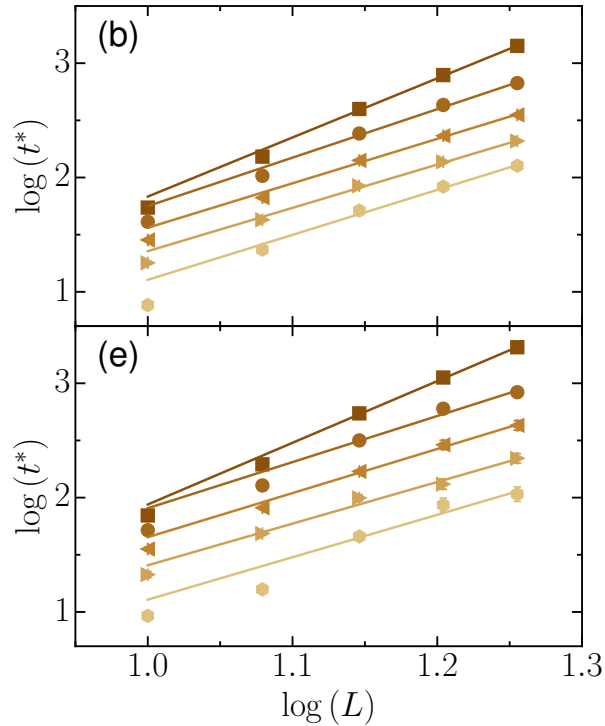
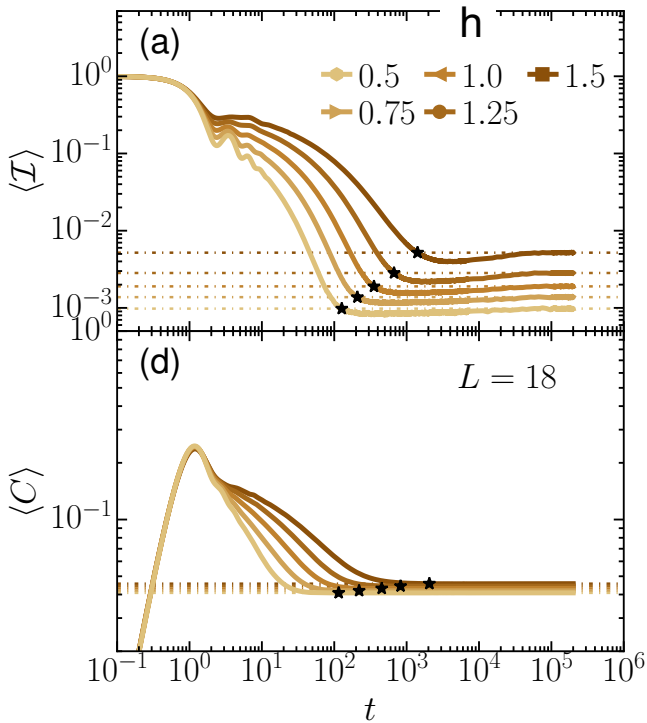
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# Thermalization Time for the Local Quantities



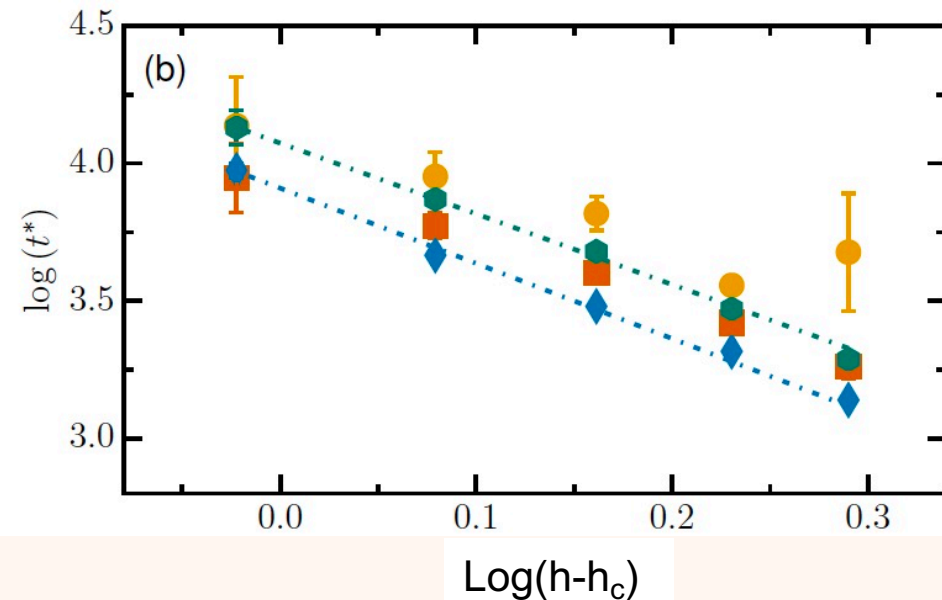
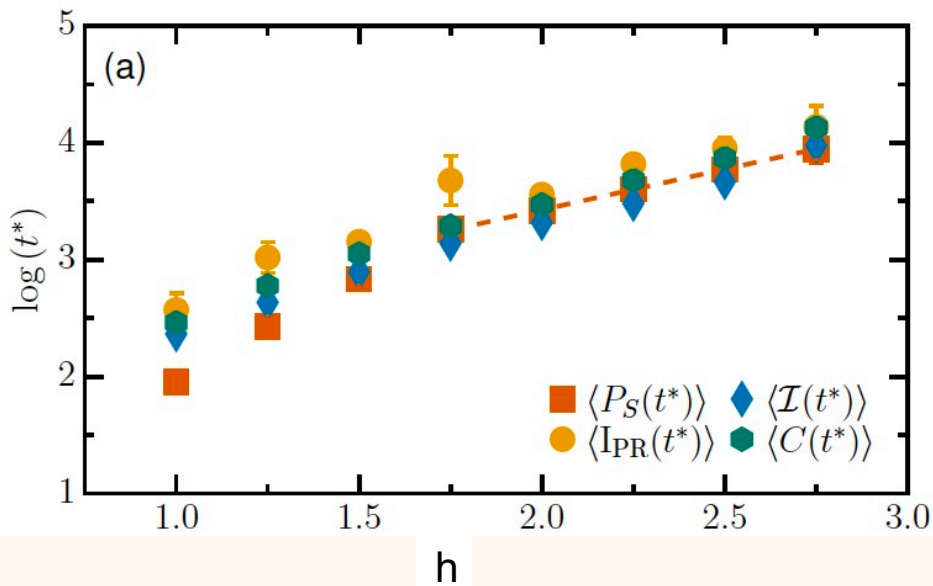
Fixed  $L=18$

$$t^* \propto L^\gamma$$

$$\gamma > 3$$

# Crossing Time vs Disorder Strength

Fixed L=18



Survival Probability:

$$t^* \propto e^h$$

Local Quantities:

$$t^* \propto |h - h_c|^{-\beta}$$

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