

Localization spectrum of a bath-coupled generalized Aubry-André model in the presence of interactions

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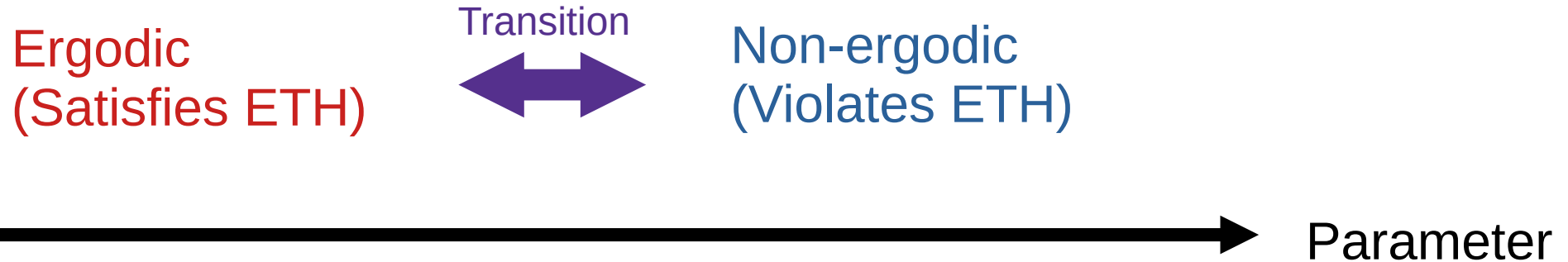


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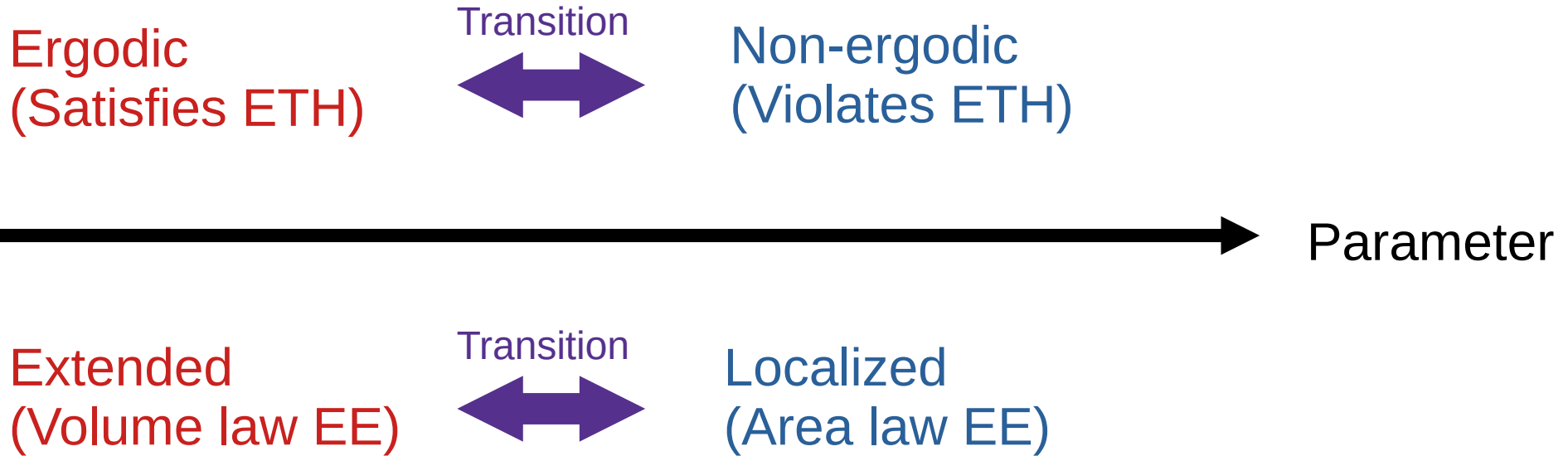
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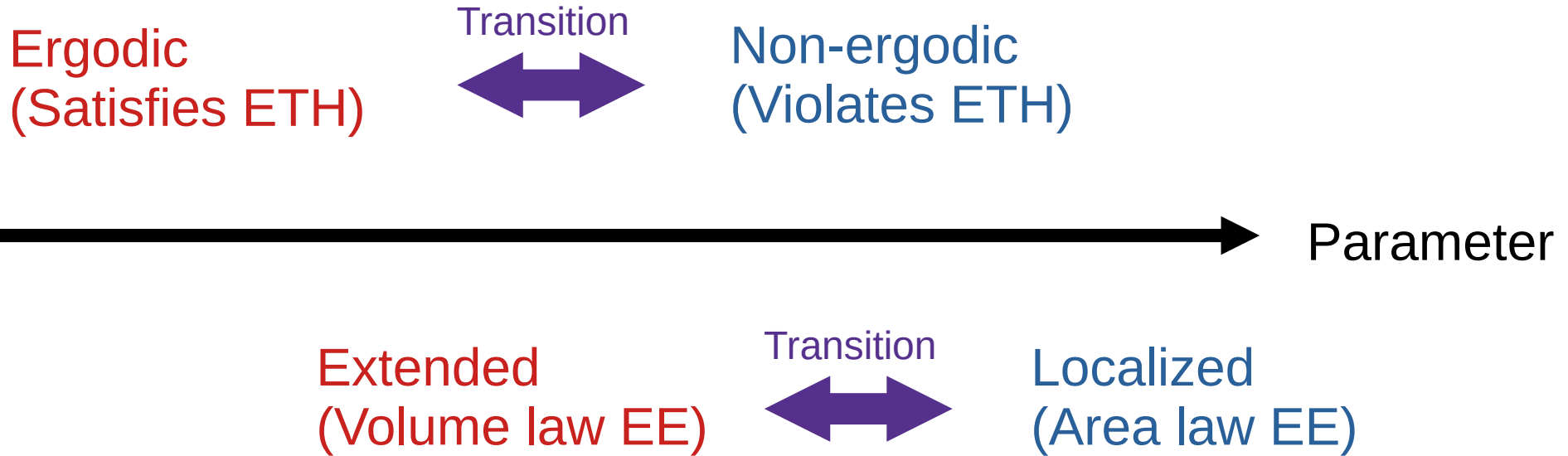
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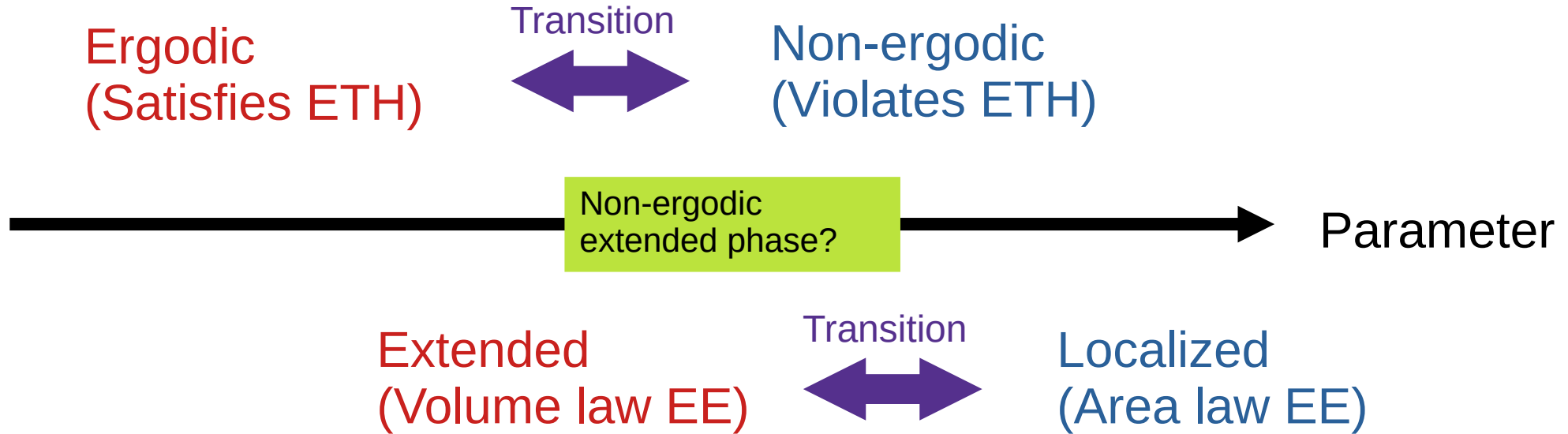
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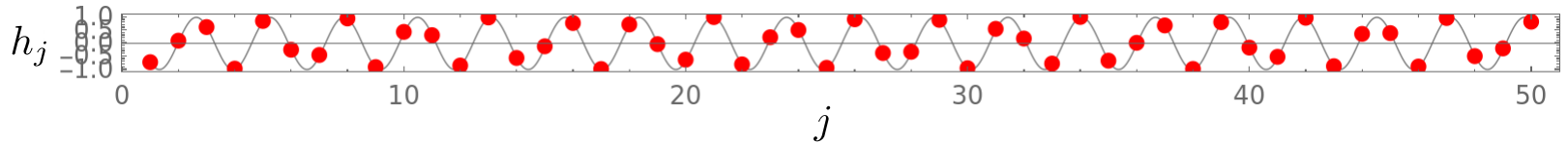
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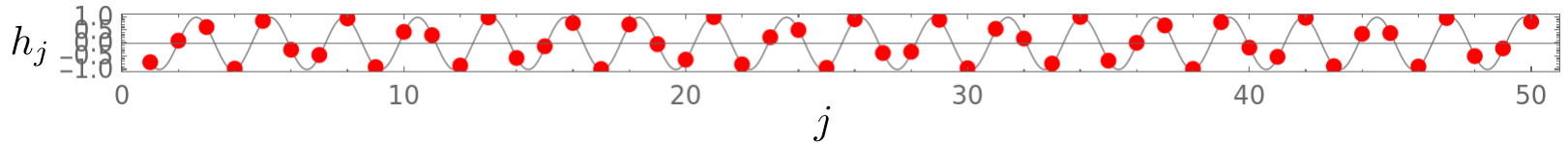


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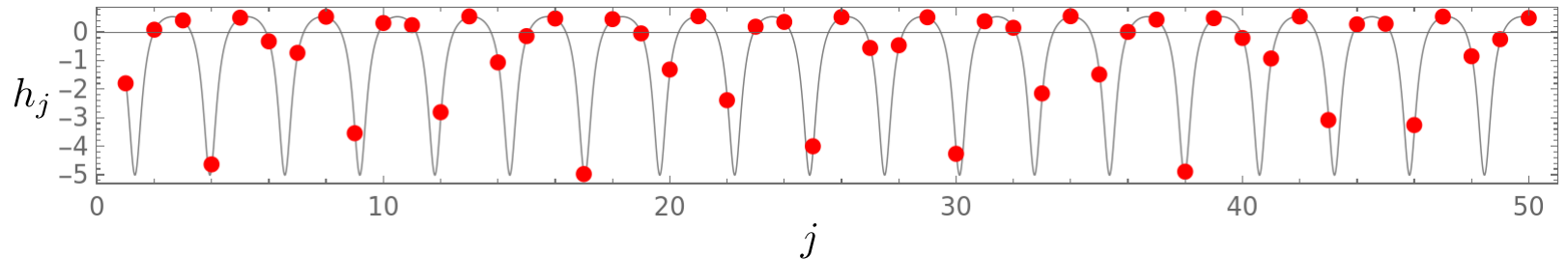
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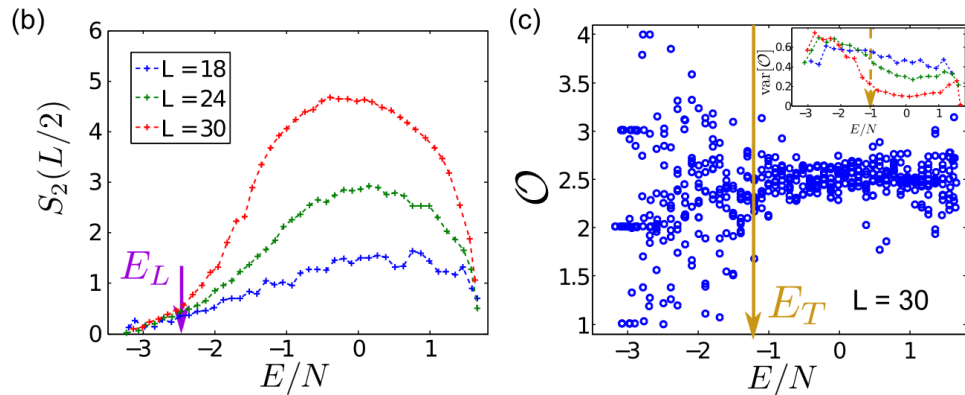
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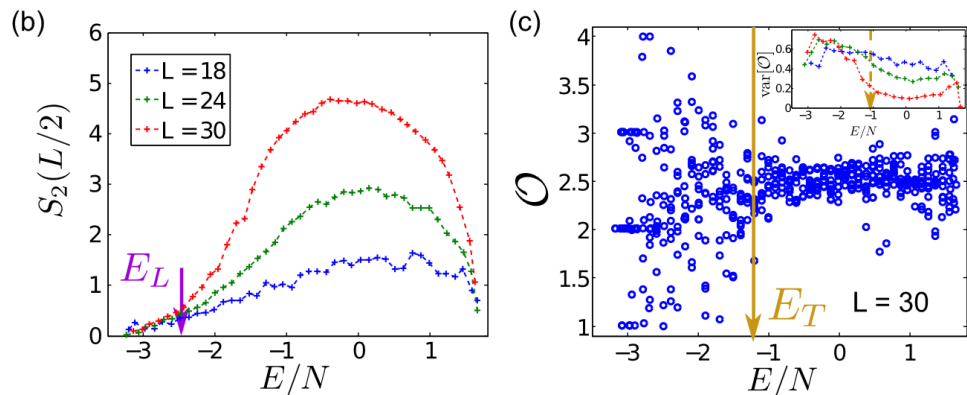
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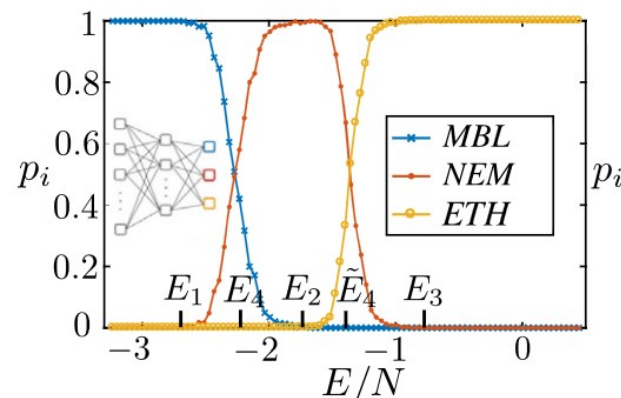
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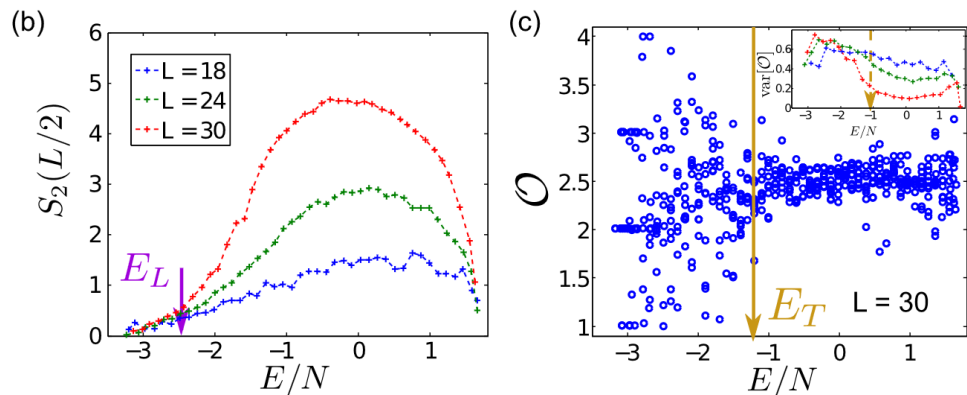
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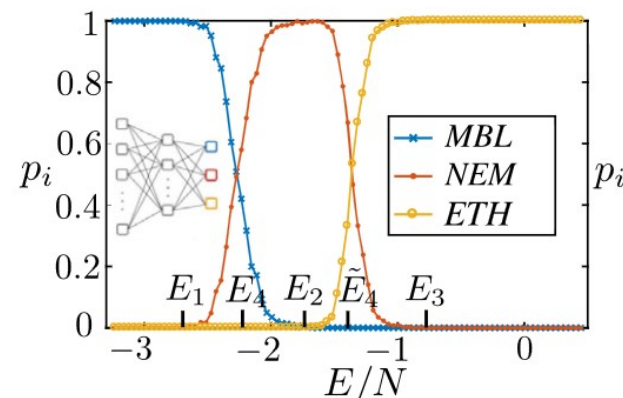
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Can we use a **single quantity** to generate a **2D feature space**?
(function of time)

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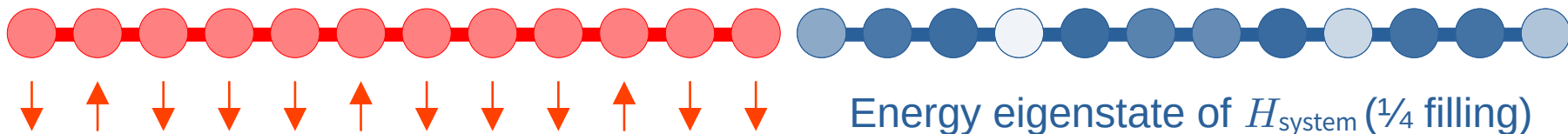
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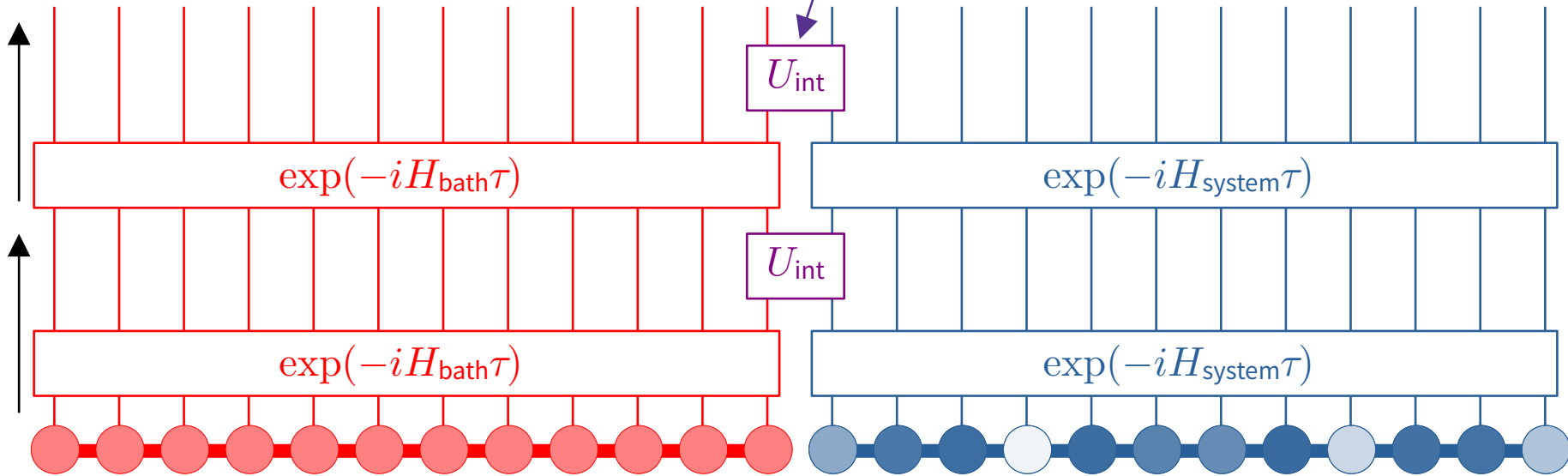


Dynamics

Until
t=1000

$$U_{\text{int}} = \exp(-i\tau (S_0^x S_1^x + S_0^y S_1^y + S_0^z S_1^z))$$

⋮



Time step
 $\tau=10$

Initial state

Energy eigenstate of H_{system} ($\frac{1}{4}$ filling)

Growth of entanglement entropy

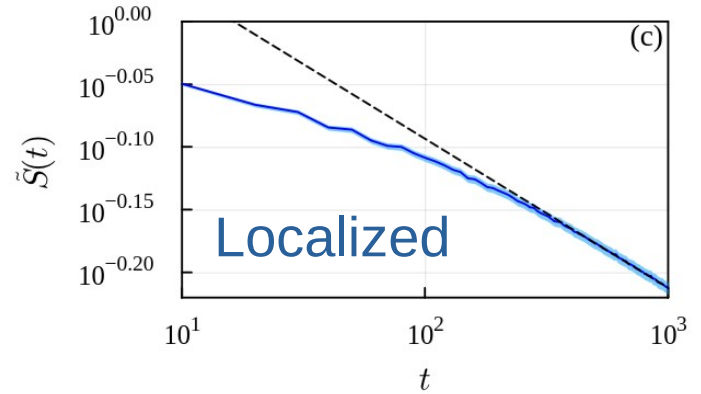
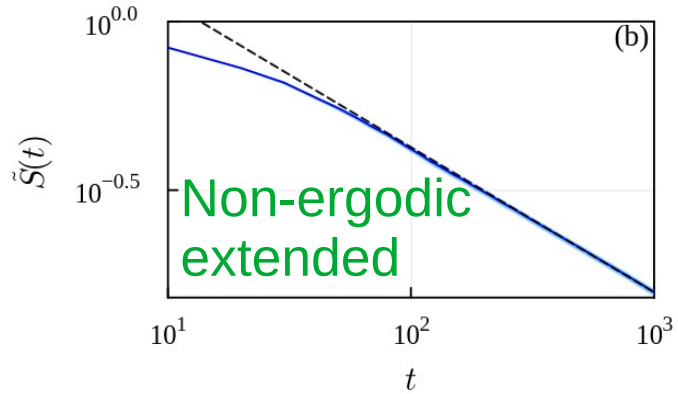
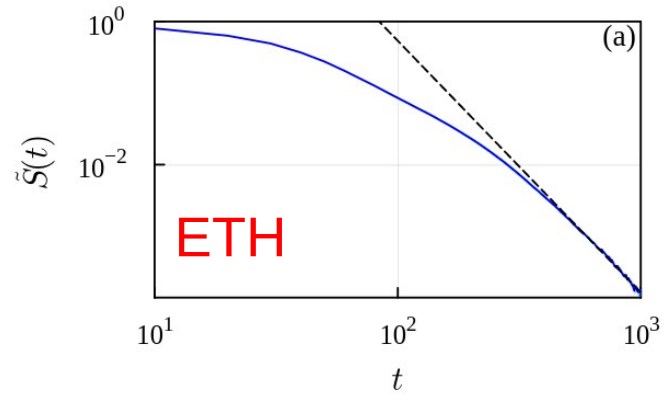
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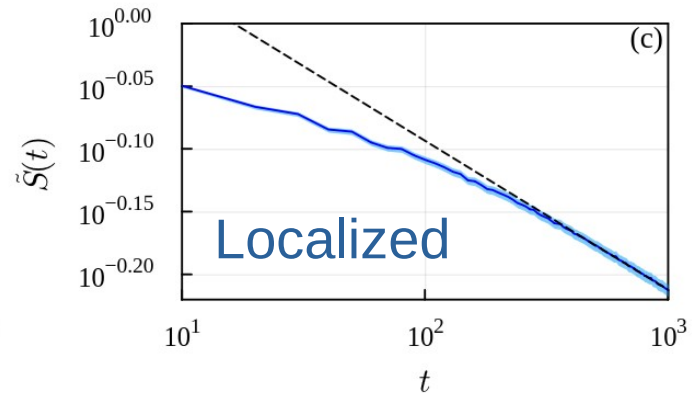
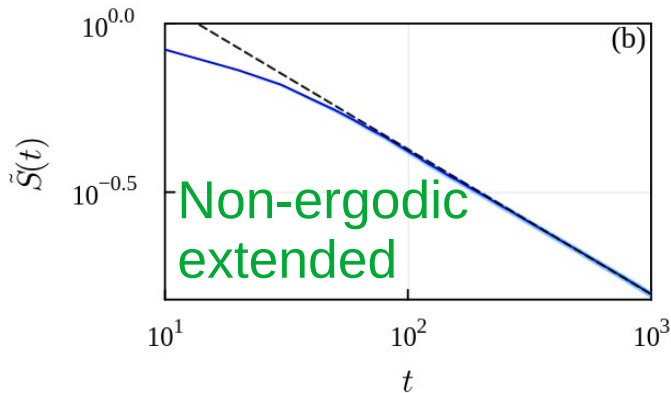
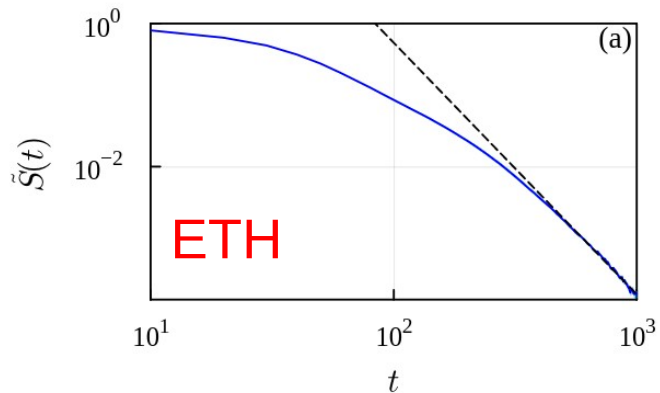
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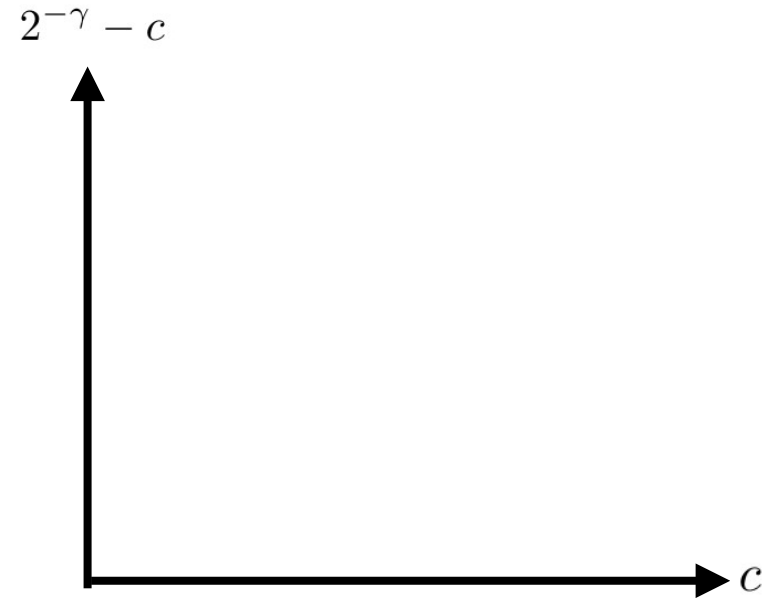
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$$\tilde{S}(t) = \frac{S_{\max} - S(t)}{S_{\max}} \approx c \left(\frac{t}{t_0} \right)^{-\gamma} \quad \text{from } t_0=500 \text{ to } t_1=1000$$

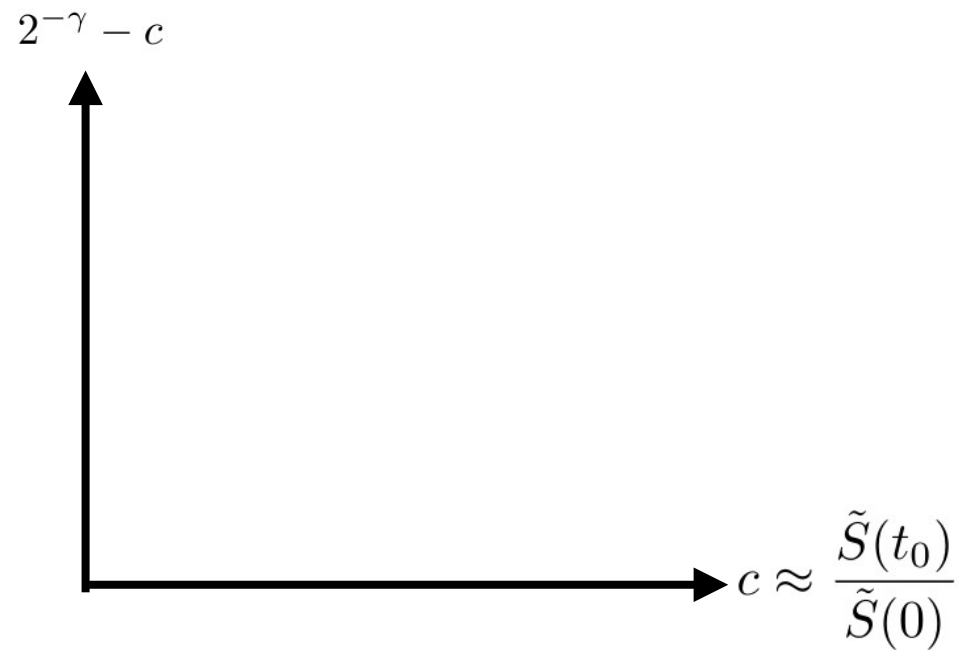


THREE-PHASE CLASSIFICATION

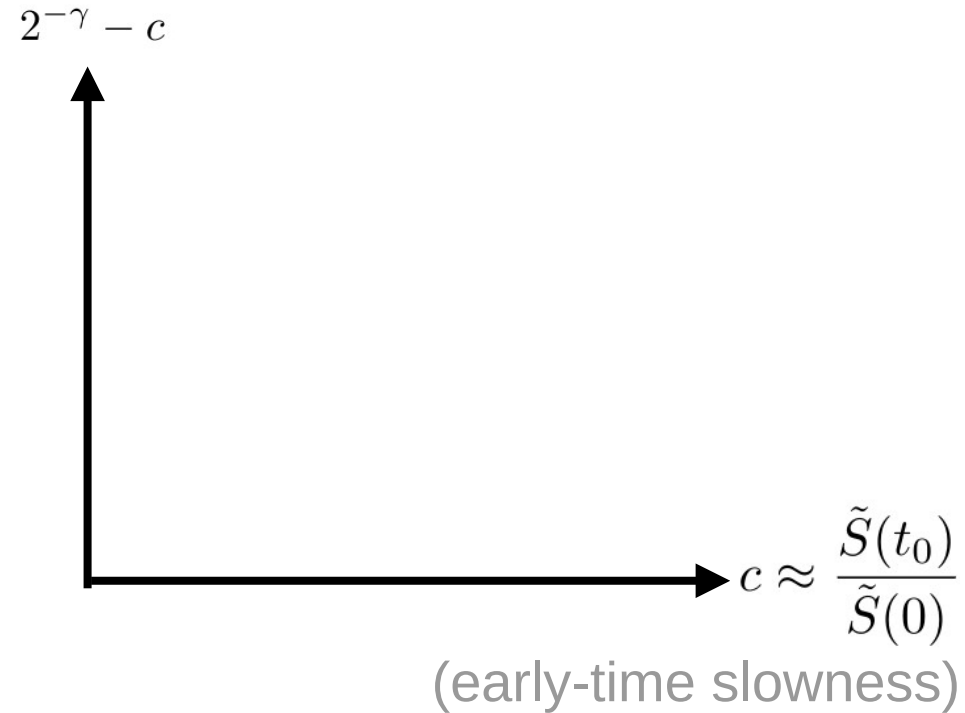
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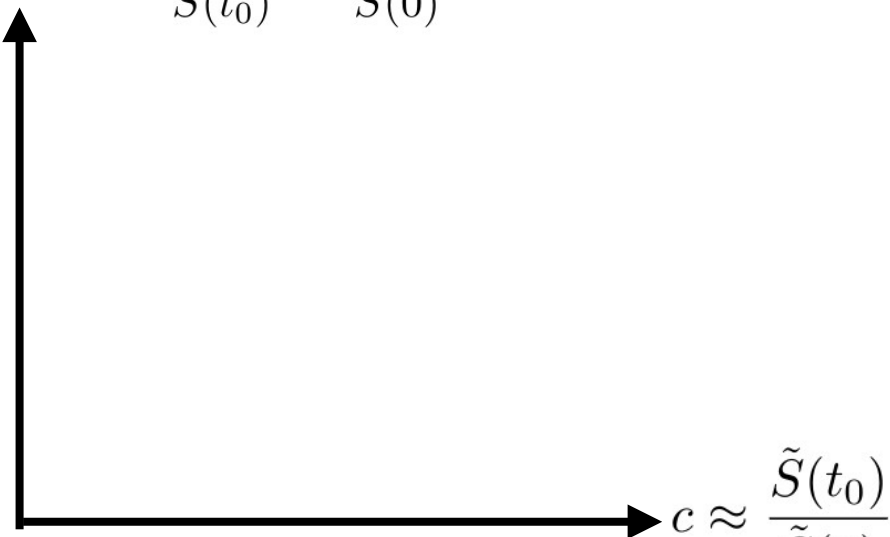
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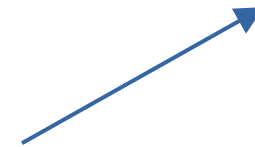
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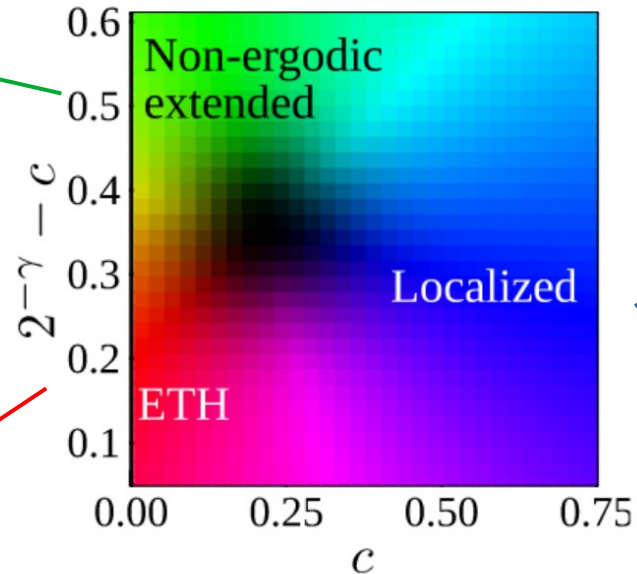
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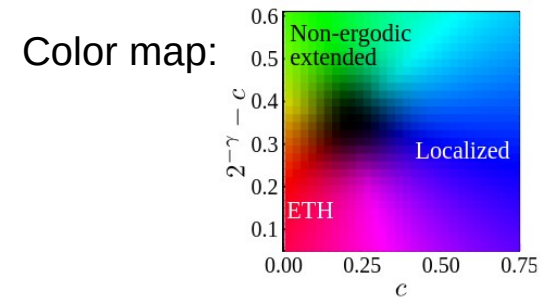
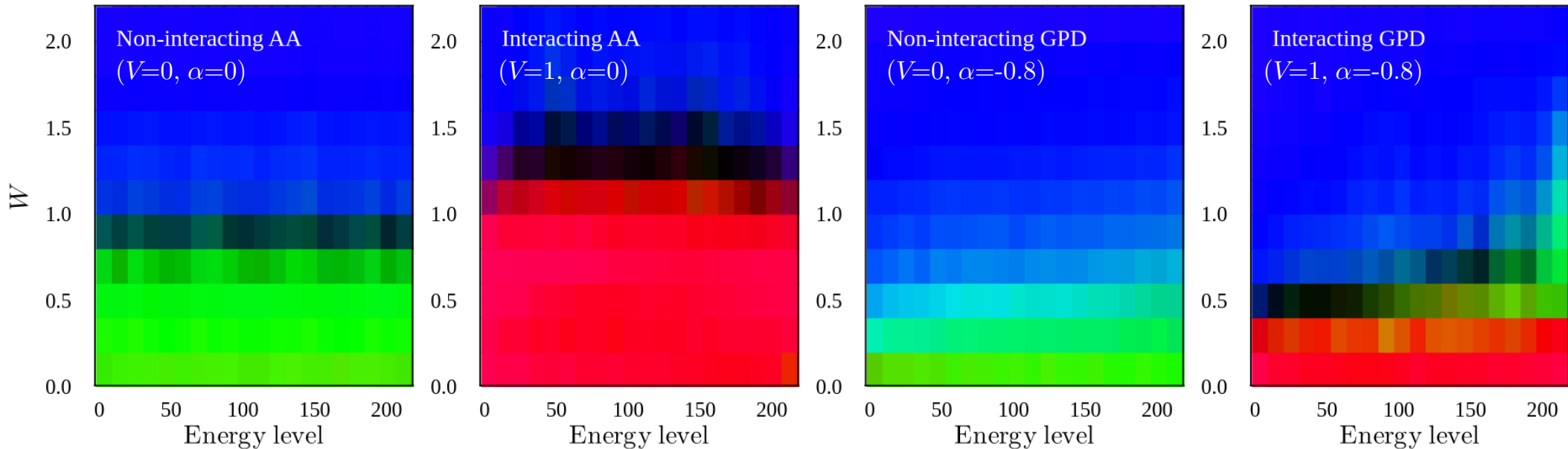
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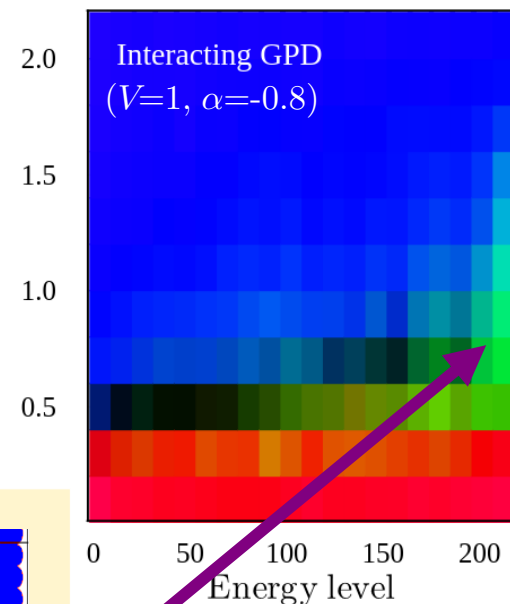
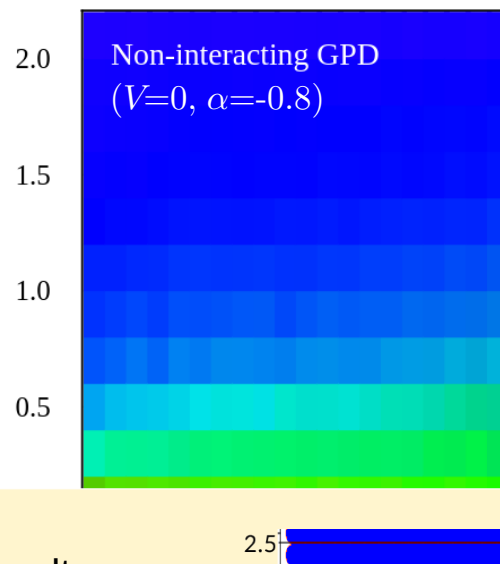
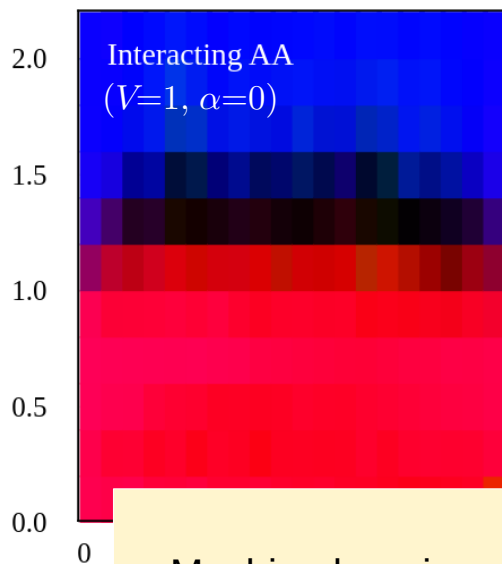
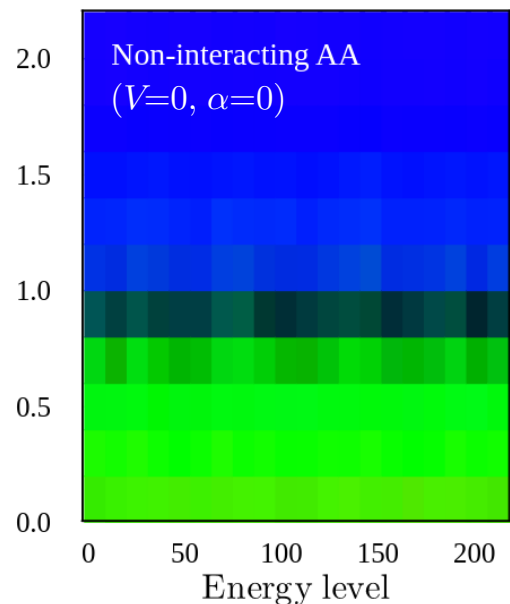


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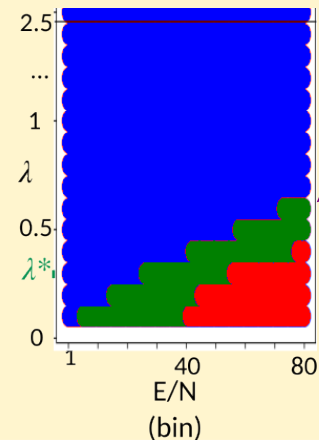


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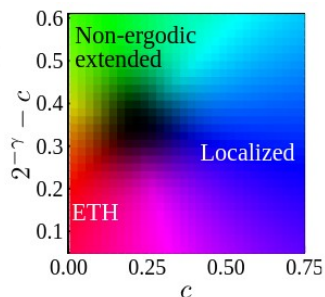


Machine learning result:

Beveridge, Rodrigo, Li,
Barbierato, Hsu, to be published

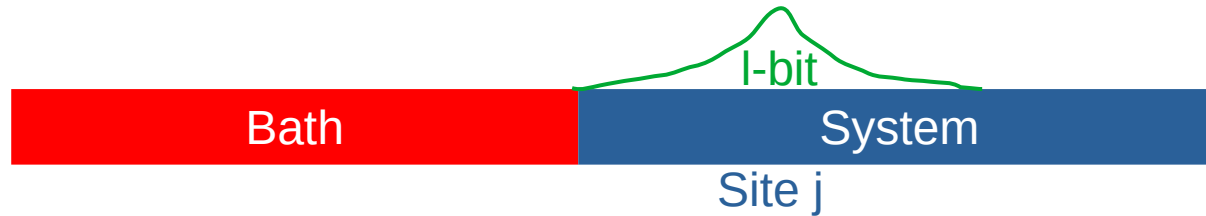


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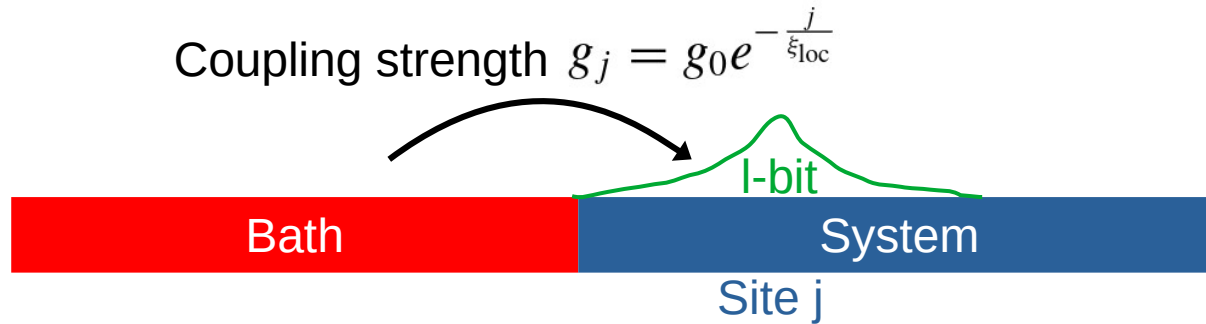


LOCALIZATION LENGTH IN INTERMEDIATE
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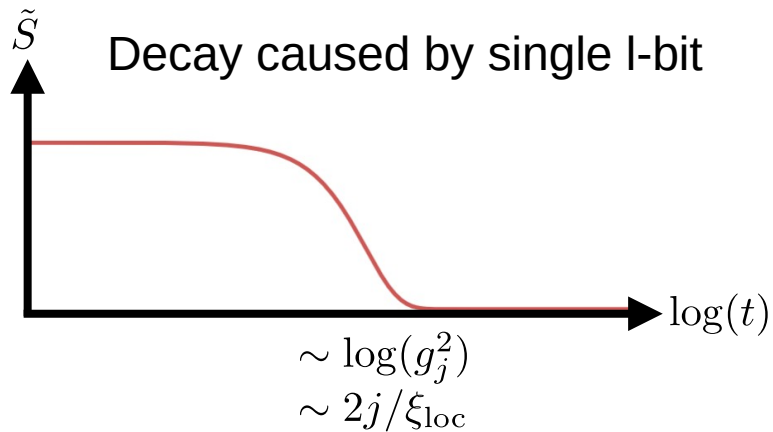
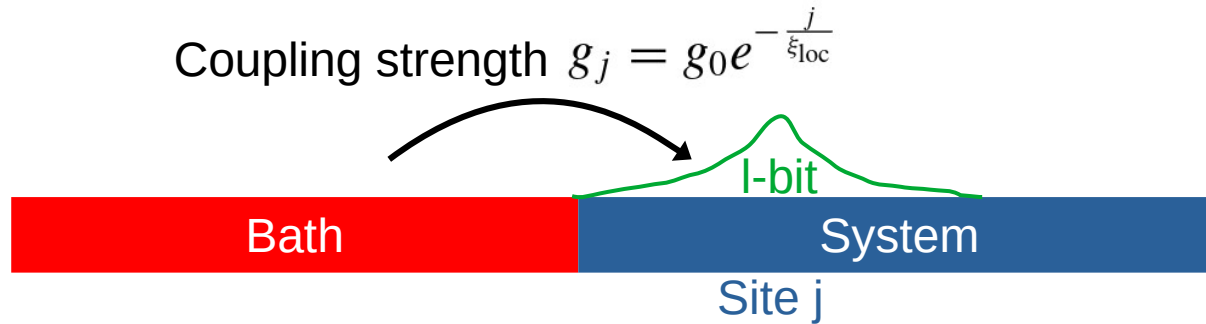
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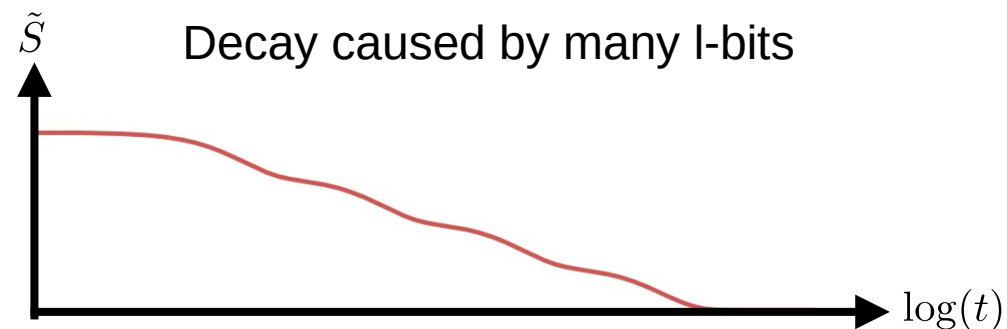
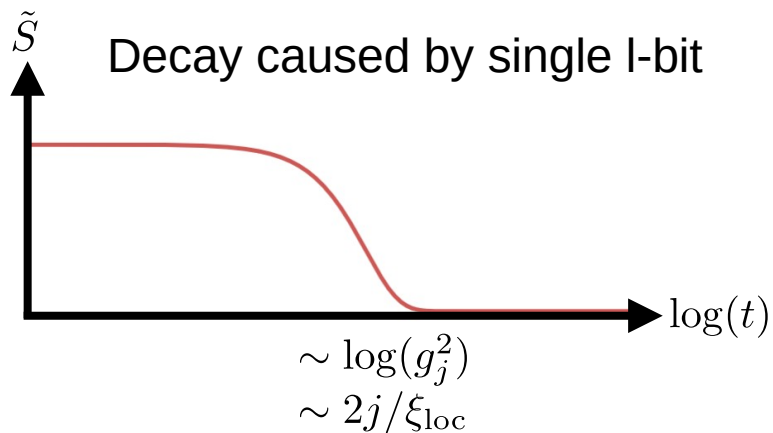
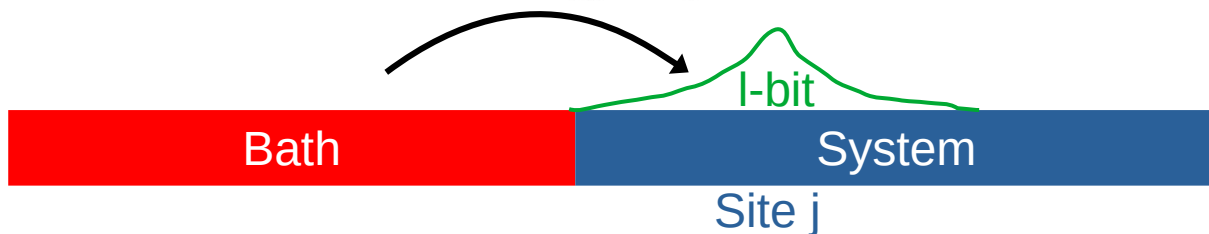


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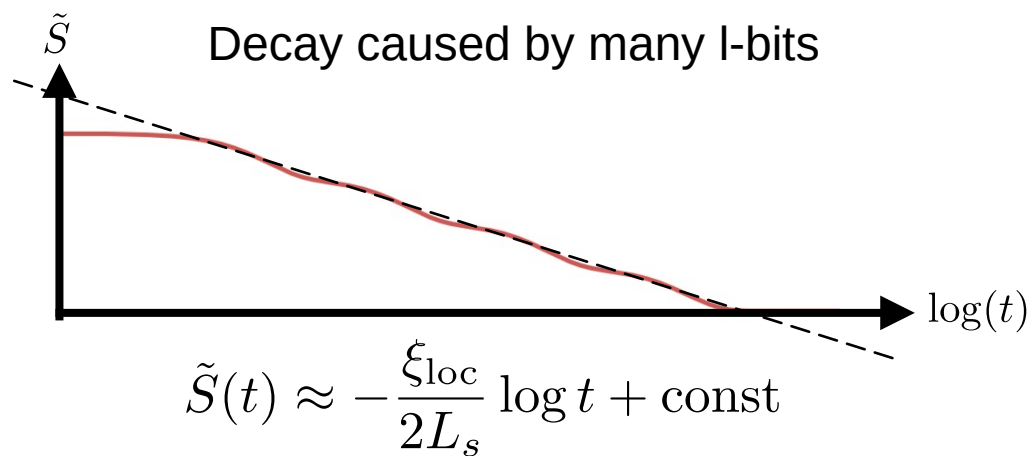
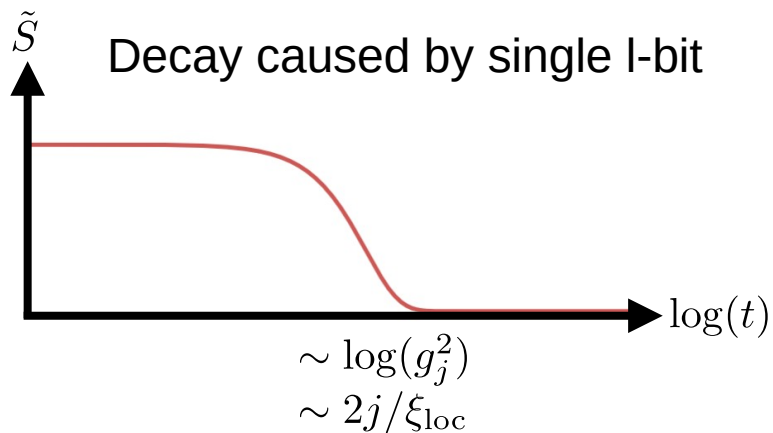
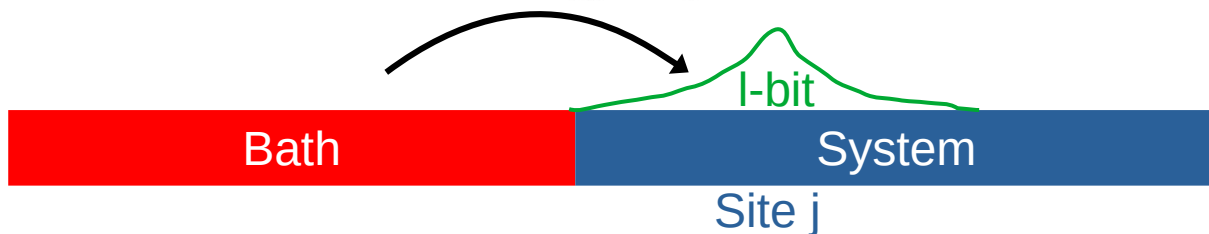
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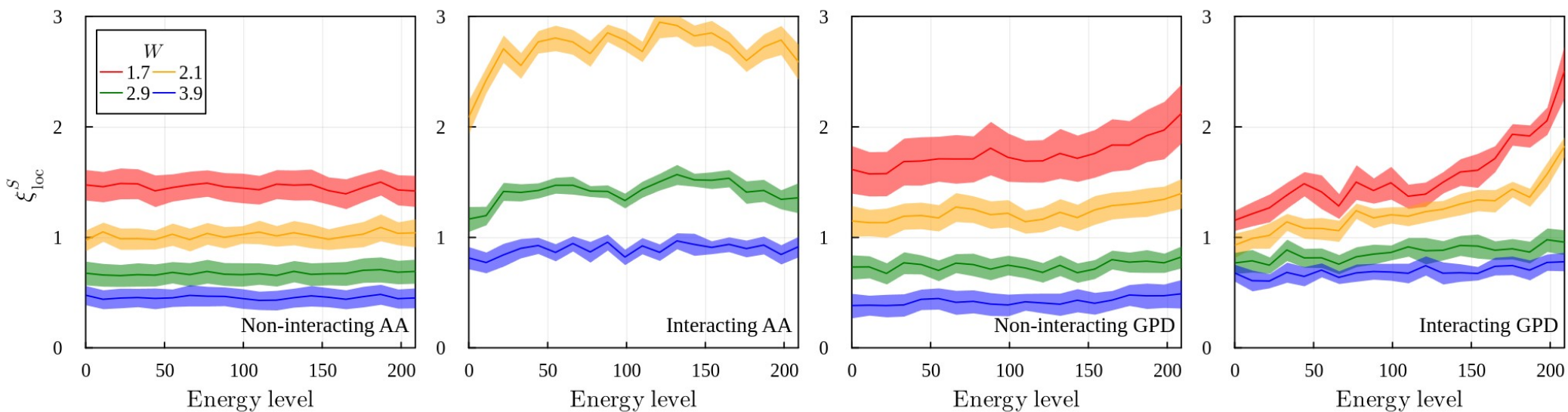


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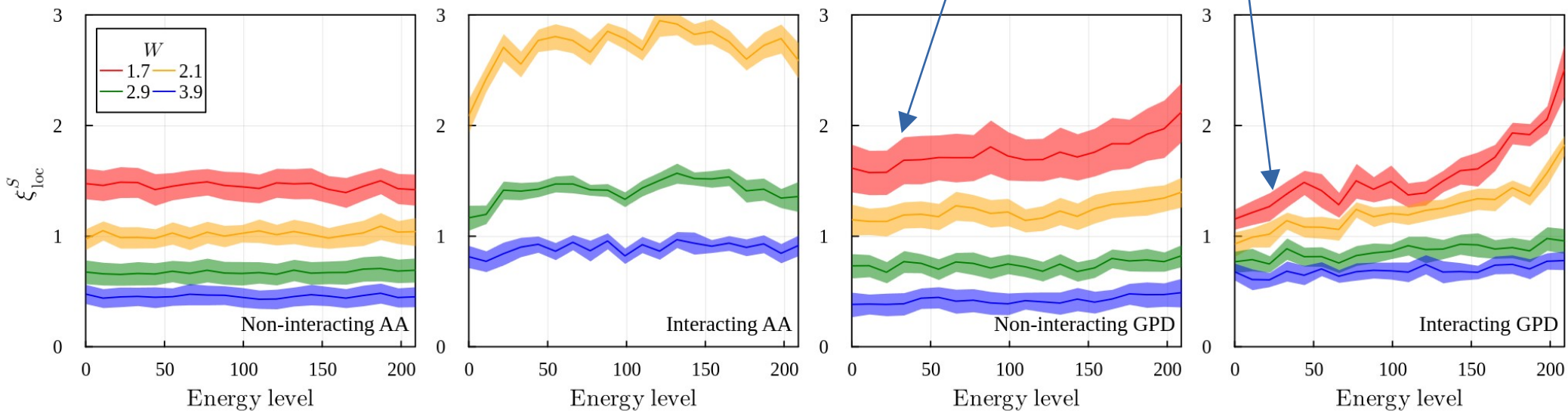


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Interaction can strengthen localization!



Conclusion

- We couple a bath to a quasiperiodic spin chain
- From the growth of entanglement entropy, we can distinguish the ETH, non-ergodic extended, and localized regimes
- We can extract the localization length in the localized regime, showing that interaction can strengthen localization in the GPD model.