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# Resonances and Renormalizing Tensor Networks in Many Body Localization

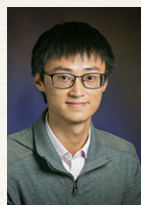
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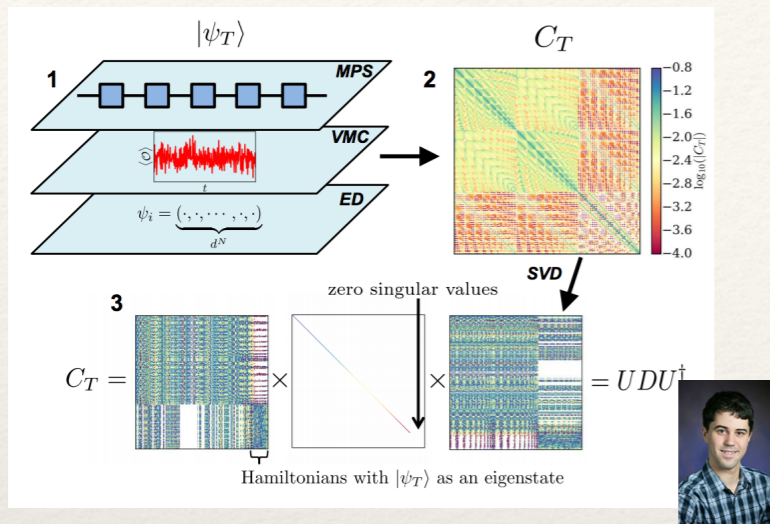


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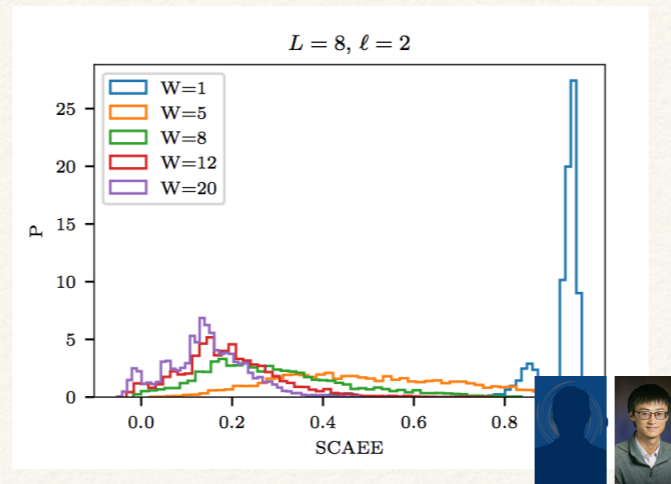


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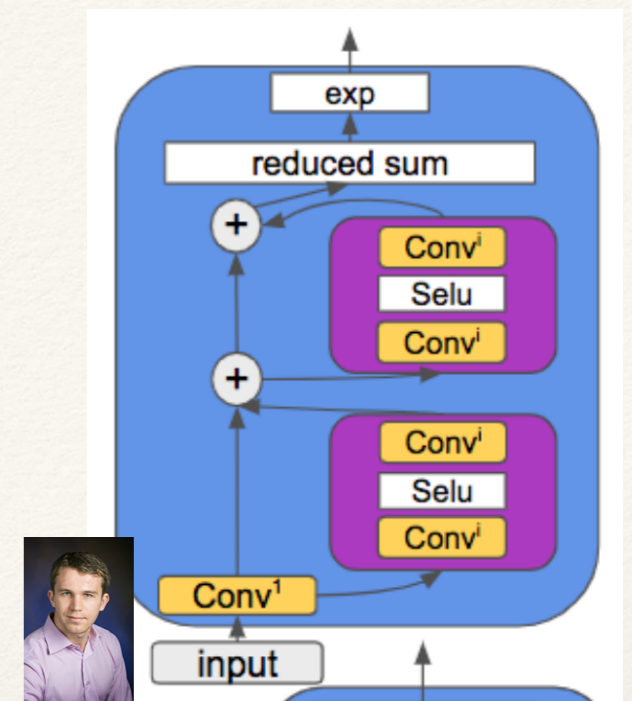
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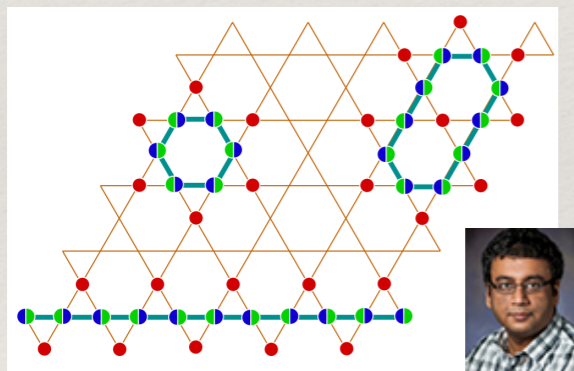
Automatically find parent Hamiltonians



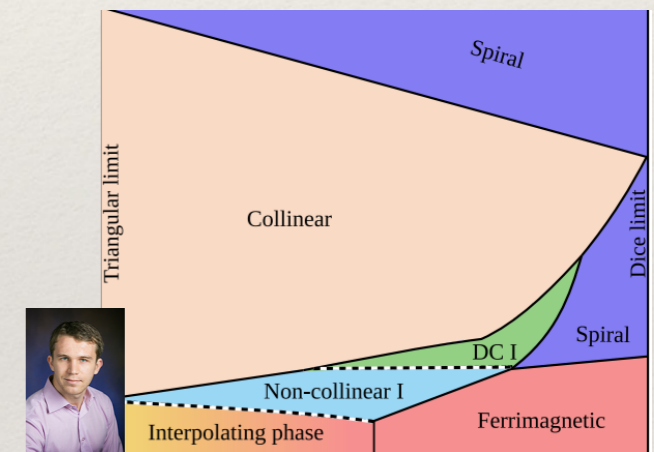
Eta-pairing and entanglement beyond MBL



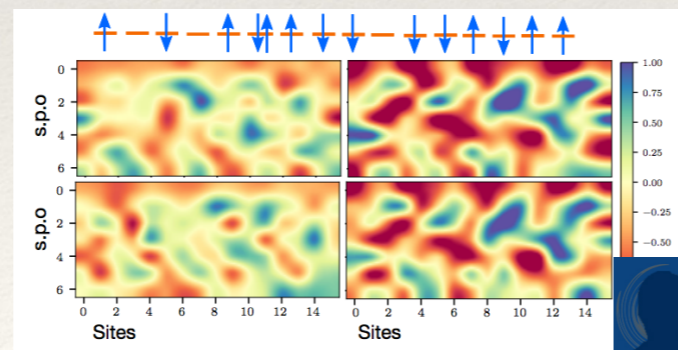
Better machine learning wave-functions



An RVB analogue for quantum colors



Phase diagram of stuffed honeycomb



Neural Networks + Backflow

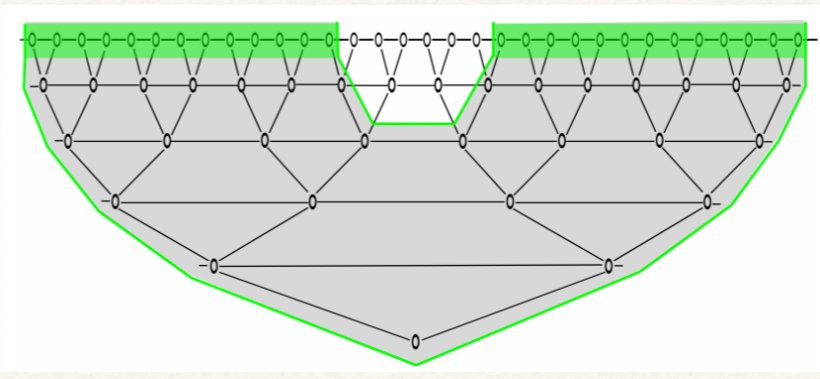
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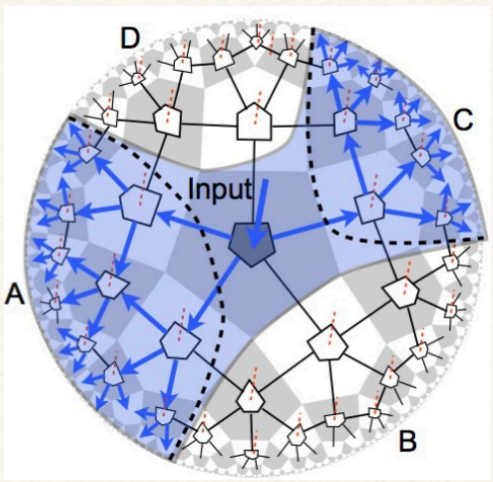
Pair and Charge Density Waves

# Uses of 'Bulk' Tensor Networks...

## Holographic Tensor Networks...

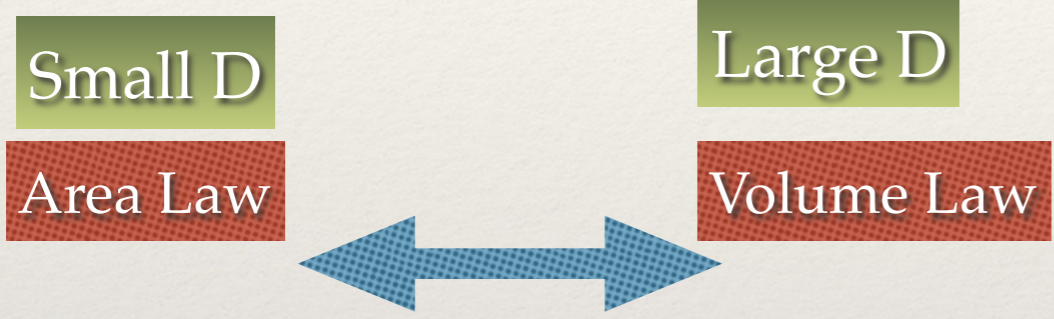


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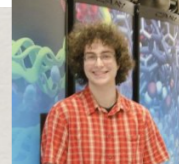
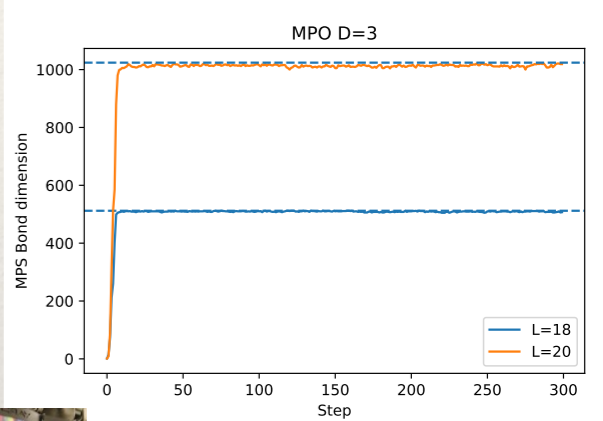
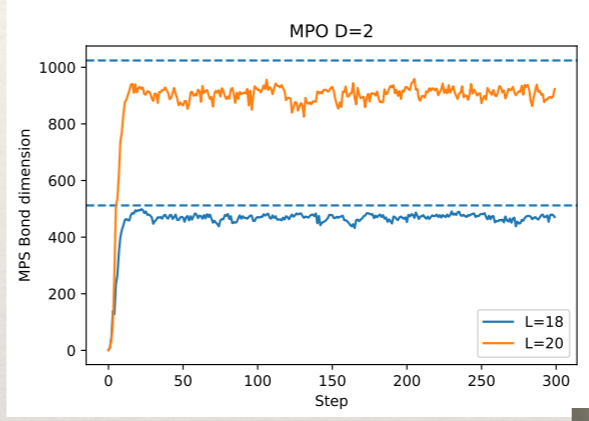


[Fernando Pastawski, Beni Yoshida, Daniel Harlow, John Preskill]

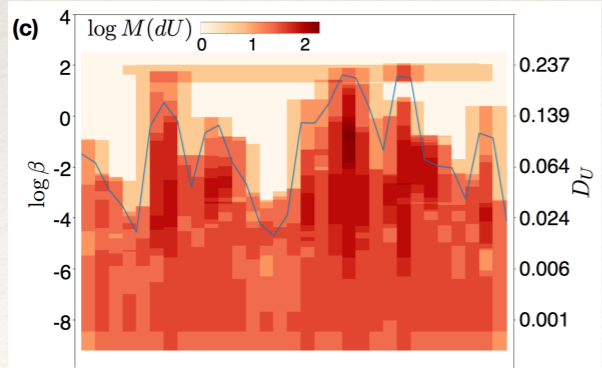
## Transitions in Random Tensor Networks



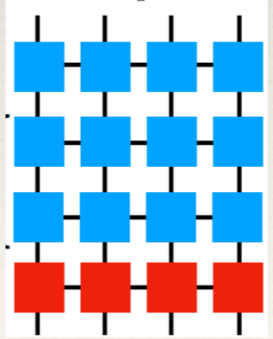
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Today:



MBL



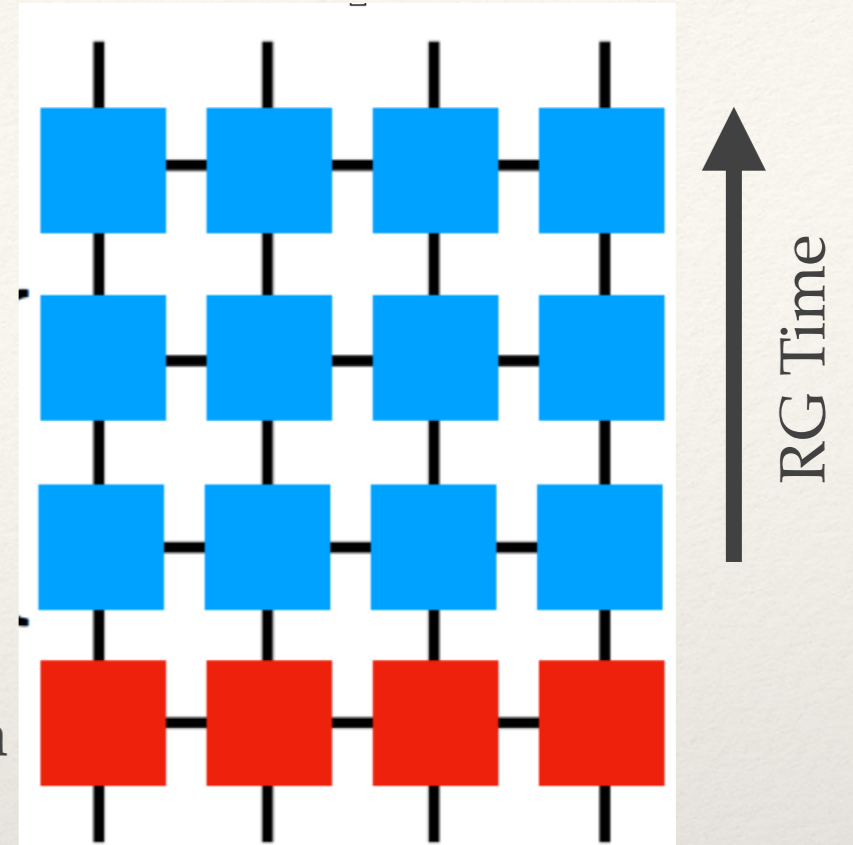
Ergodic

[Pekker, Clark]  
[Yu, Pekker, Clark]  
**Variational approaches:**  
[Khemani, Sondhi], [Pal, Simons]

Can we build a tensor network, via renormalization, which

- diagonalizes a boundary Hamiltonian?
- diagonalizes chunk of Hamiltonian spectrum?
- generates an eigenstate

Hamiltonian



and then probe properties of this renormalized tensor network.

- operator spreading?
- Bulk properties which change between MBL and ergodic phase?

# Wegner-Wilson Flow

The Wegner-Wilson Flow is a unitary RG process which diagonalizes a Hamiltonian.

$$H(t) = H_D(t) + H_{OD}(t)$$

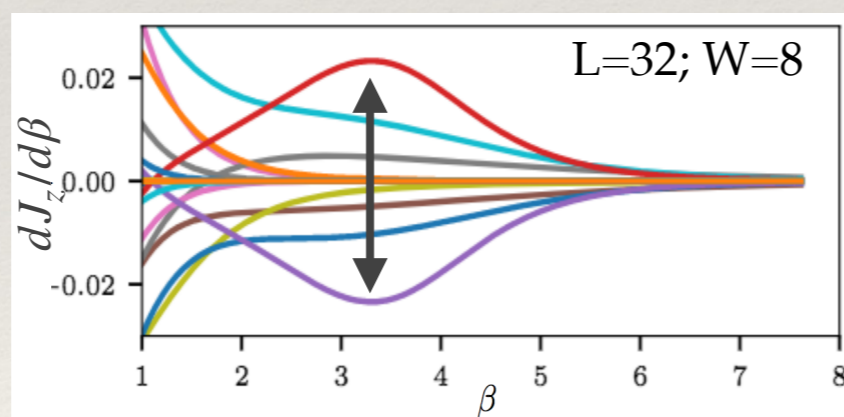
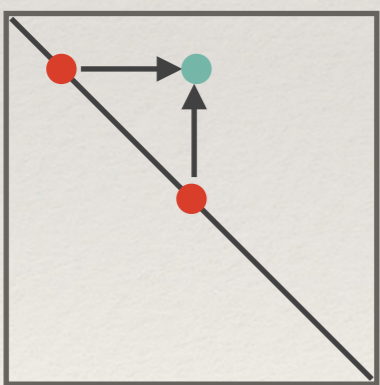
$$\eta(t) = [H_D(t), H_{OD}(t)]$$

$$U(\Delta t) = \exp(i\Delta t\eta(t))$$

$$H(t + \Delta t) = U(\Delta t)H(t)U^\dagger(\Delta t)$$

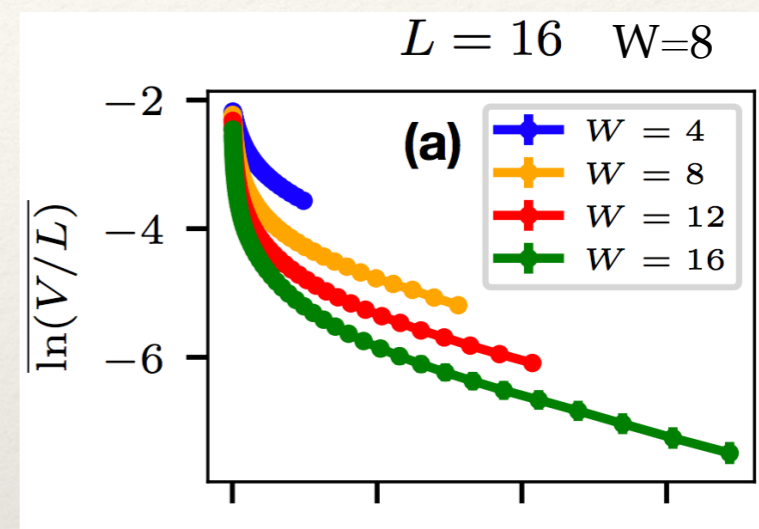
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Why RG: It disentangles the largest diagonal energy scales connected by a 'non-zero' off-diagonal element first.



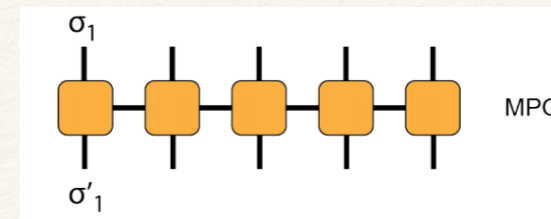
$$H = \sum_i J_i \sigma_z^i + [\dots]$$

The variance  $V(\beta) \equiv (1/N) \sum_{i \neq j} H_{ij}(\beta)$  decreases monotonically with  $\beta$  as  $V(\beta) = \exp[-\beta(E_i - E_j)^2]$

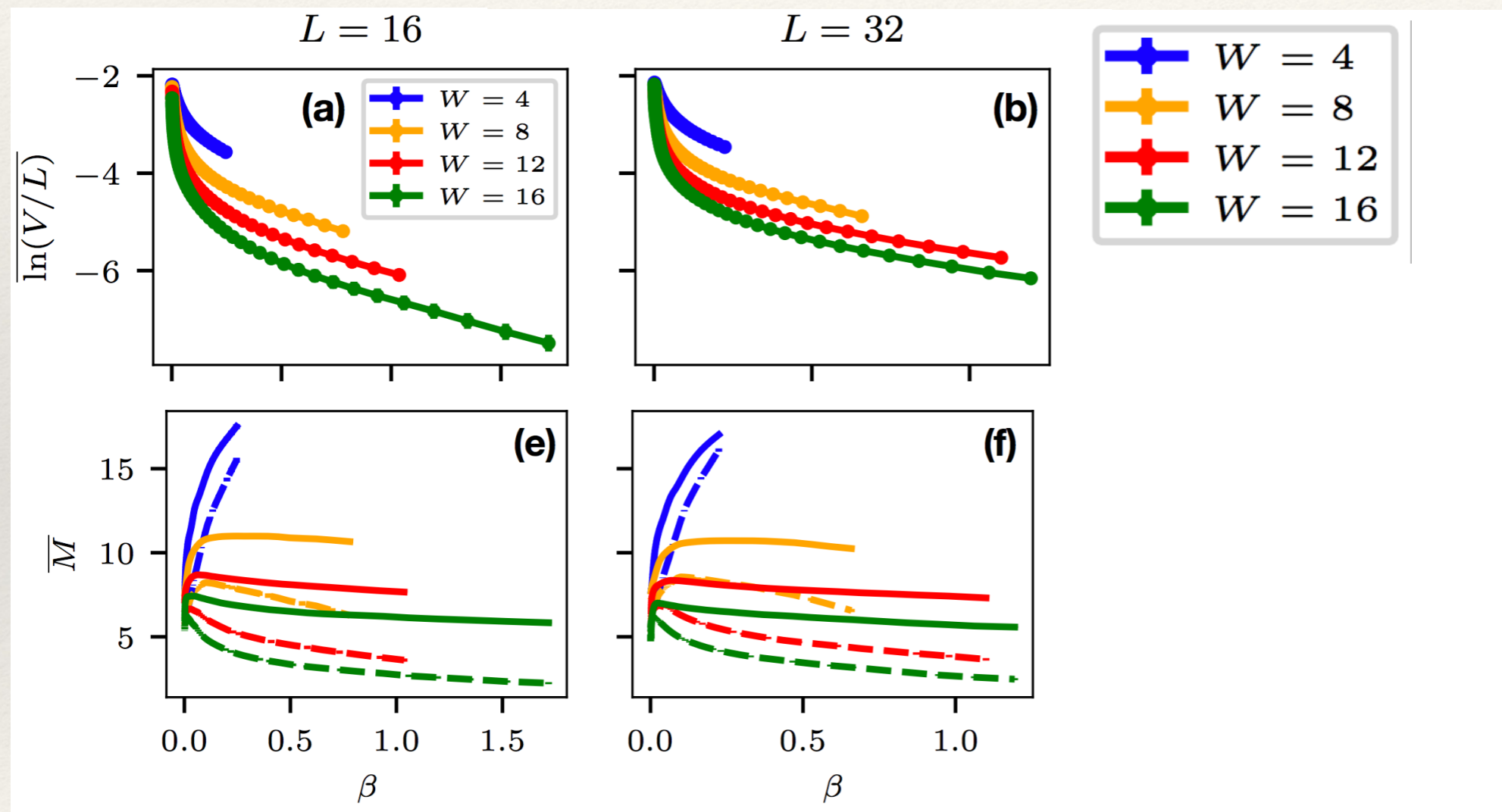


# Turn the unitary into a tensor network

Take Hamiltonian as MPO



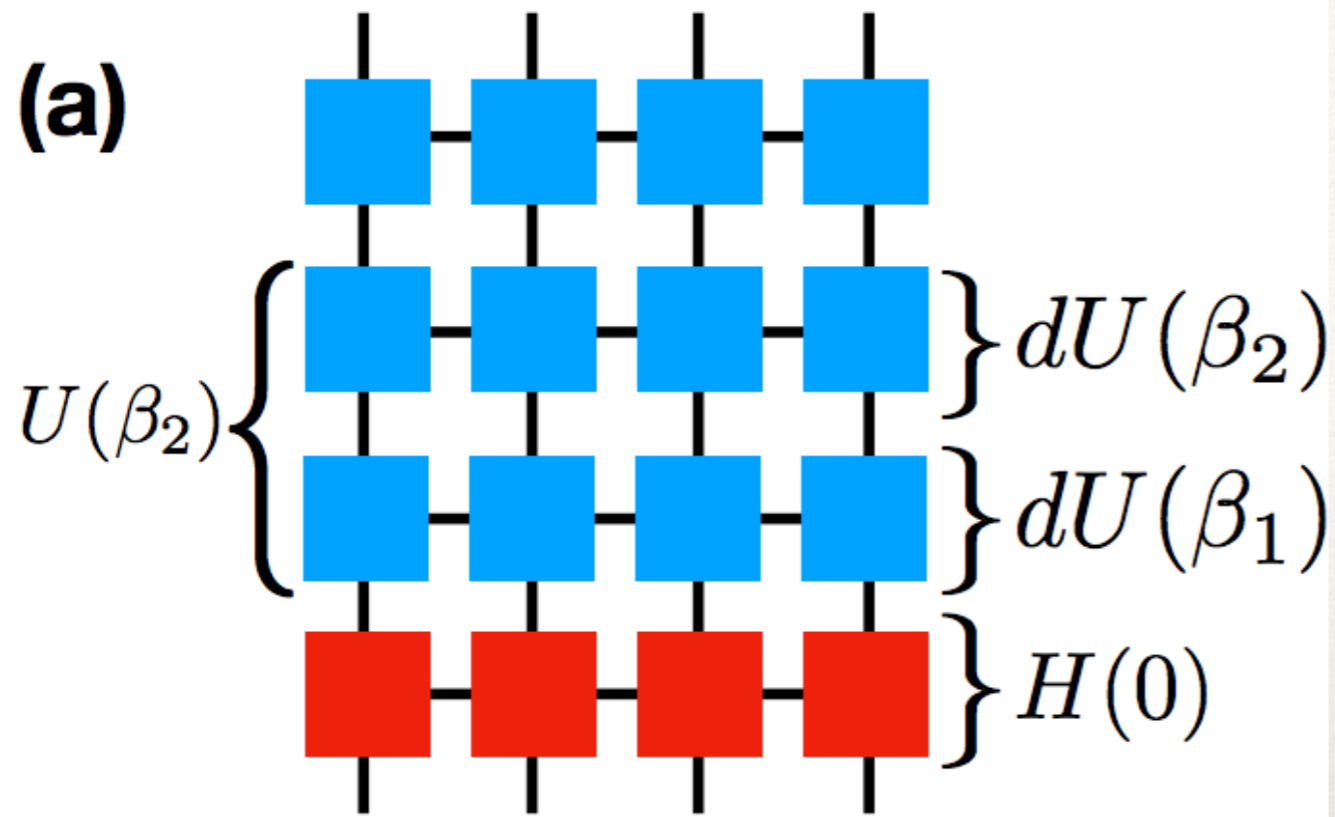
$$\begin{aligned} H(\beta + \Delta\beta) &= H + \Delta\beta[\eta, H] + \frac{\Delta\beta^2}{2!}[\eta, [\eta, H]] + \frac{\Delta\beta^3}{3!}[\eta, [\eta, [\eta, H]]] + \dots \\ &= H + \Delta\beta \left[ \eta, H + \frac{\Delta\beta}{2} \left[ \eta, H + \frac{\Delta\beta}{3} \left[ \eta, H + \dots \right] \right] \right] \end{aligned}$$

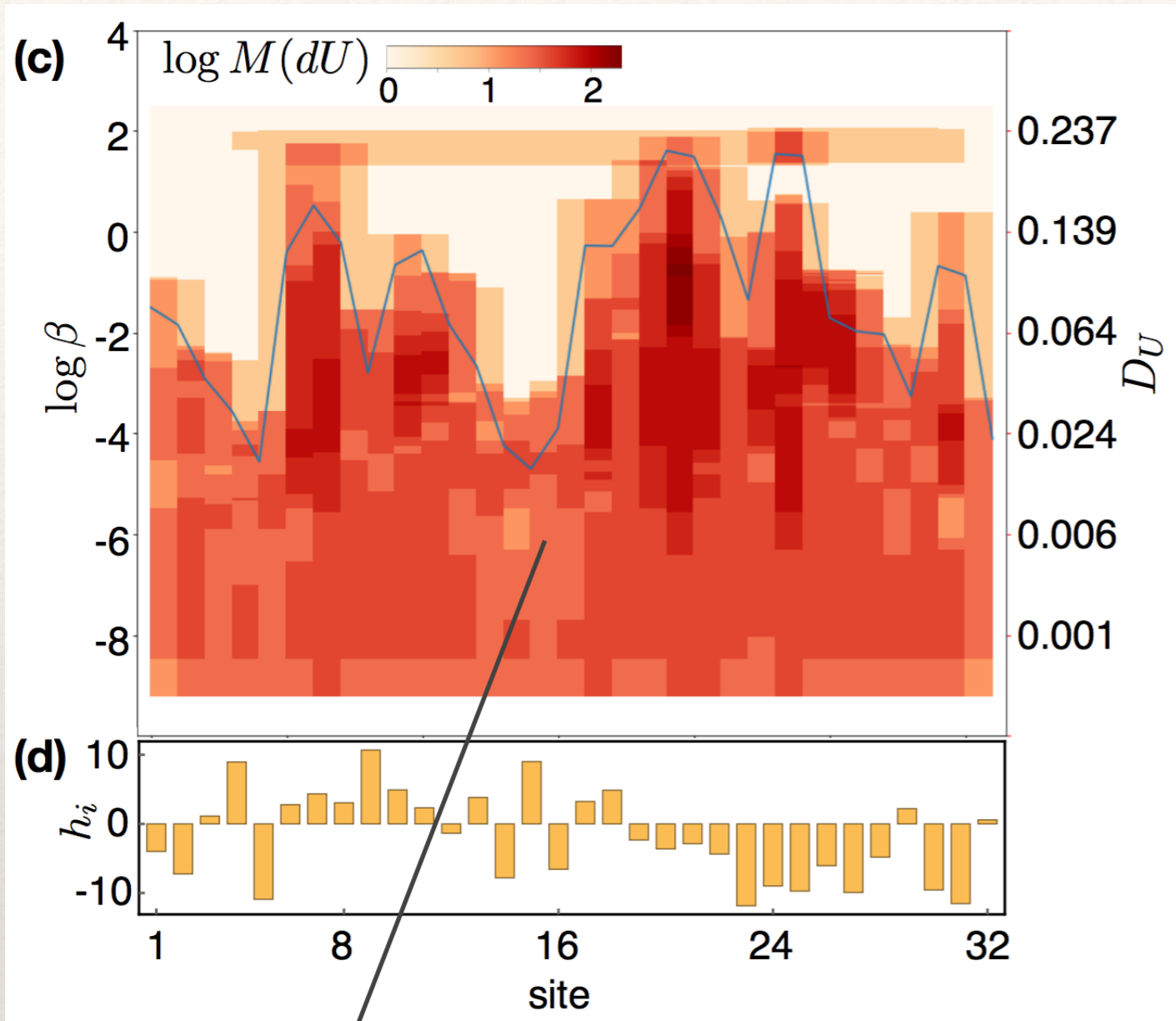


Works efficiently in the MBL phase.

Gives 1-bits, eigenstates, etc.

**(a)**





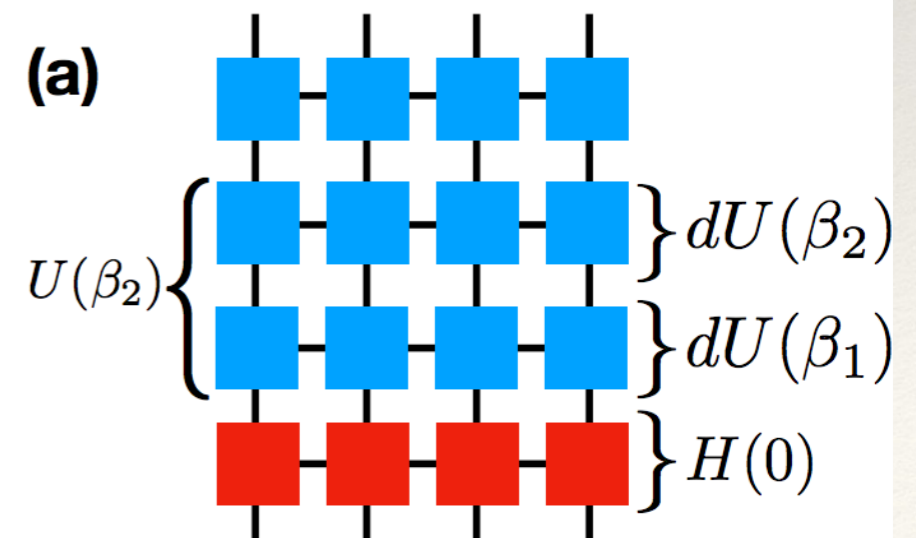
Log(Bond Dimension)

$$D_U(\beta) = \int_0^\beta \sqrt{\frac{\text{Tr}(\eta(\tau)\eta^\dagger(\tau))}{\dim(H)L}} d\tau = \int_0^\beta \sqrt{-\frac{1}{2L} \frac{dV(\tau)}{d\tau}} d\tau$$

(Generalized) version of distance used in cMERA [Ryu, et. al]

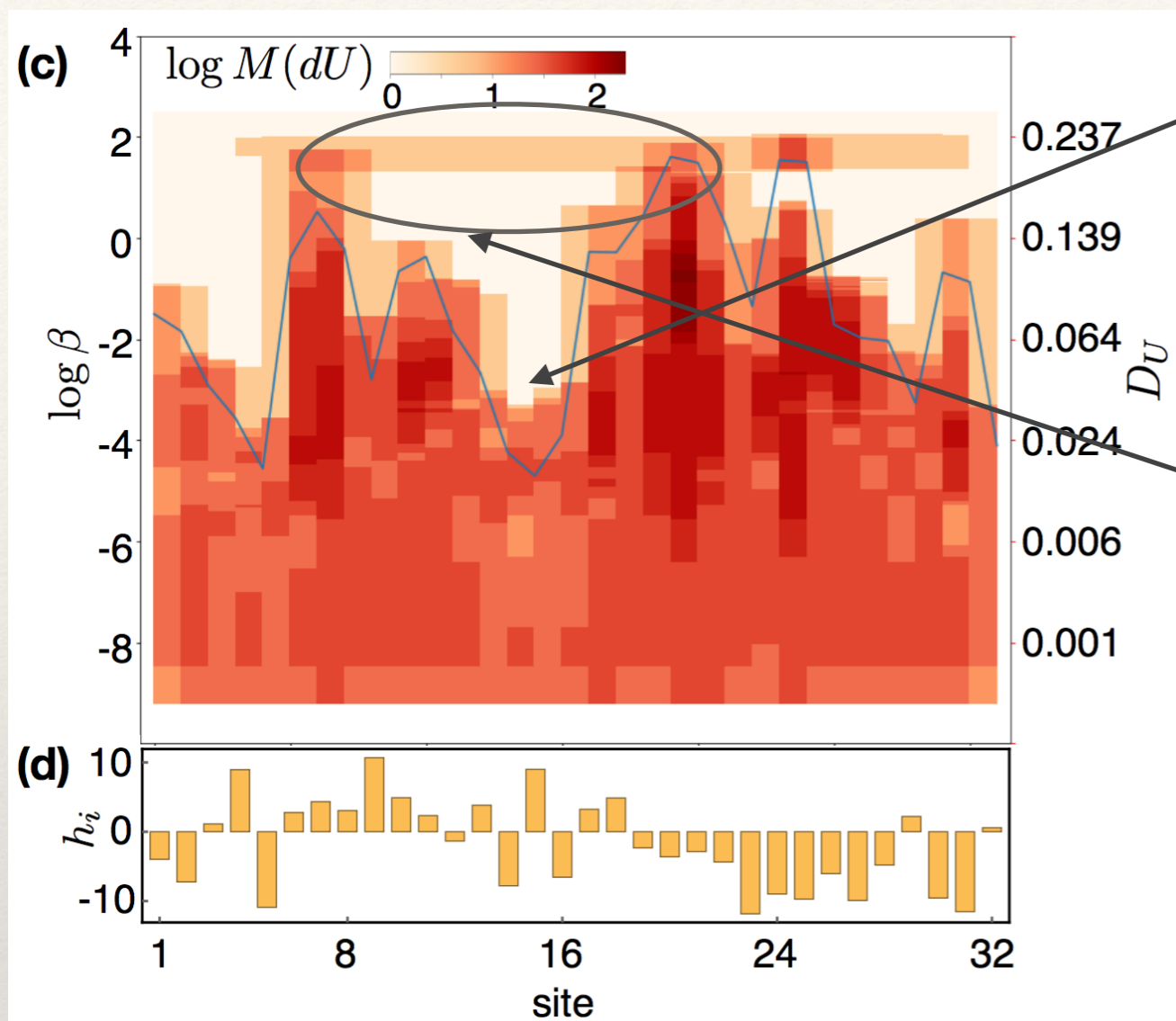
Here it is connected to variance.

RT analogue - geodesics related to entanglement.





# Understanding the MBL bulk...

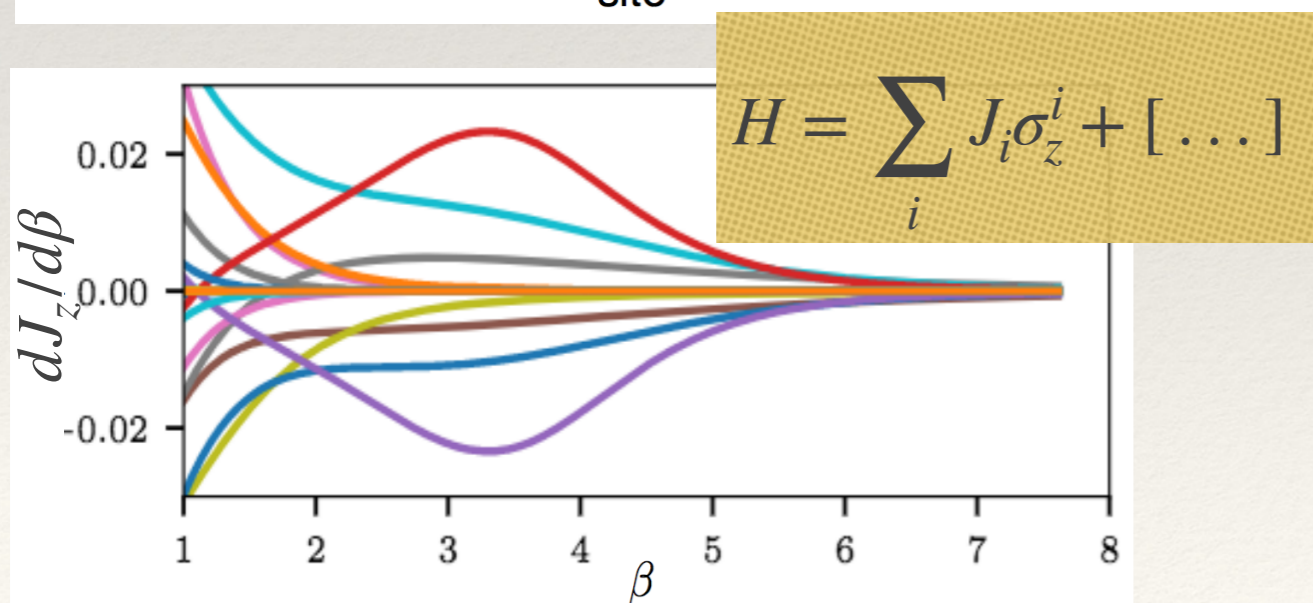


Here these 1-bit's are diagonal (i.e. popped out of the system)

They have stopped rotating.

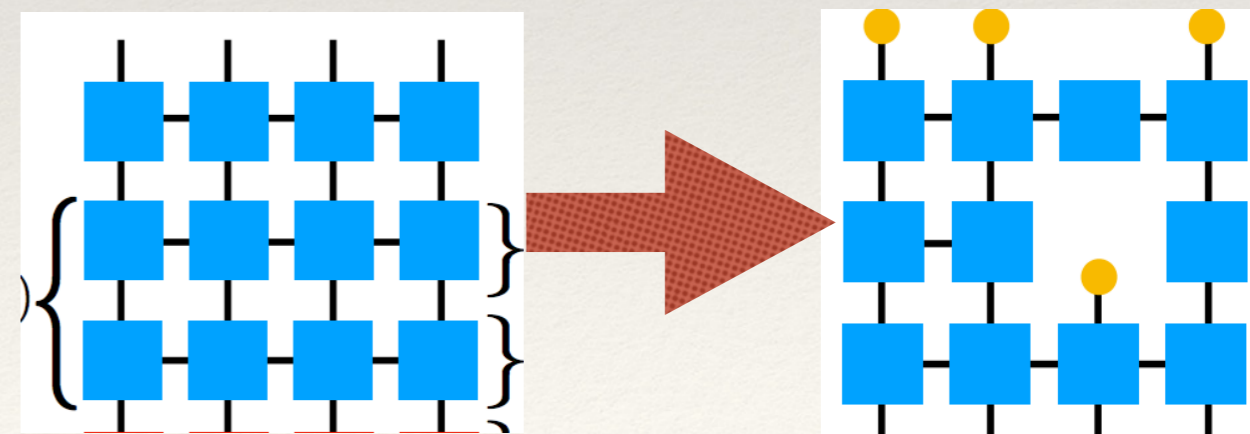
This bar is essentially (up to control-bits) connecting distance 1-bits which disentangle at the lowest energy scales.

If I fix the 1-bit eigenvalues, we generate a MERA for the state.



Unitary

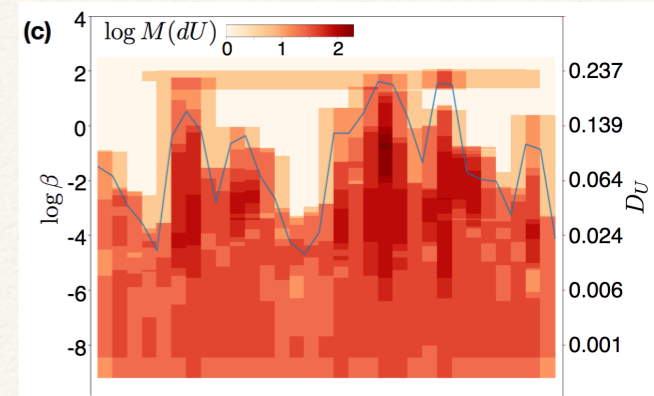
State



As  $E \sim 1/\beta^2$  gives an energy scale for the 1-bits

# A real space picture...

# Unitary distance



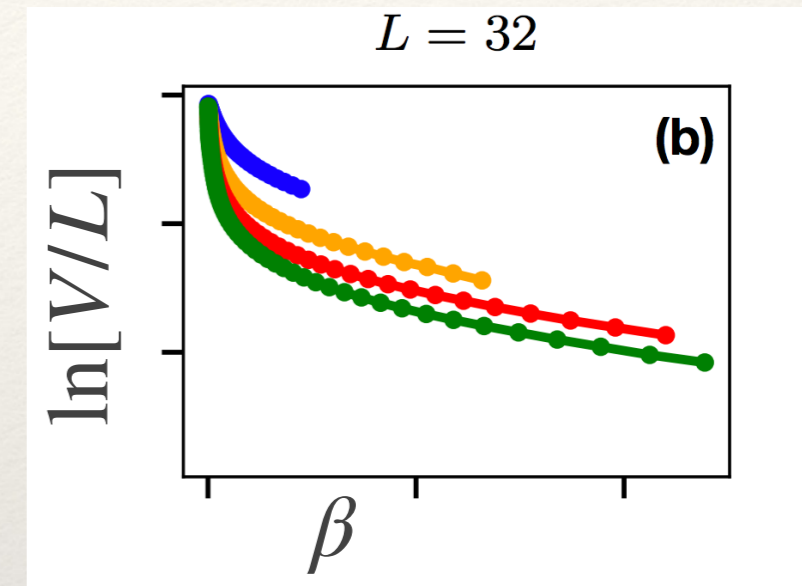
To explore rare regions, we define a distance measure in the RG time...

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where  $U(\Delta t) = \exp[i\eta(t)\Delta t]$

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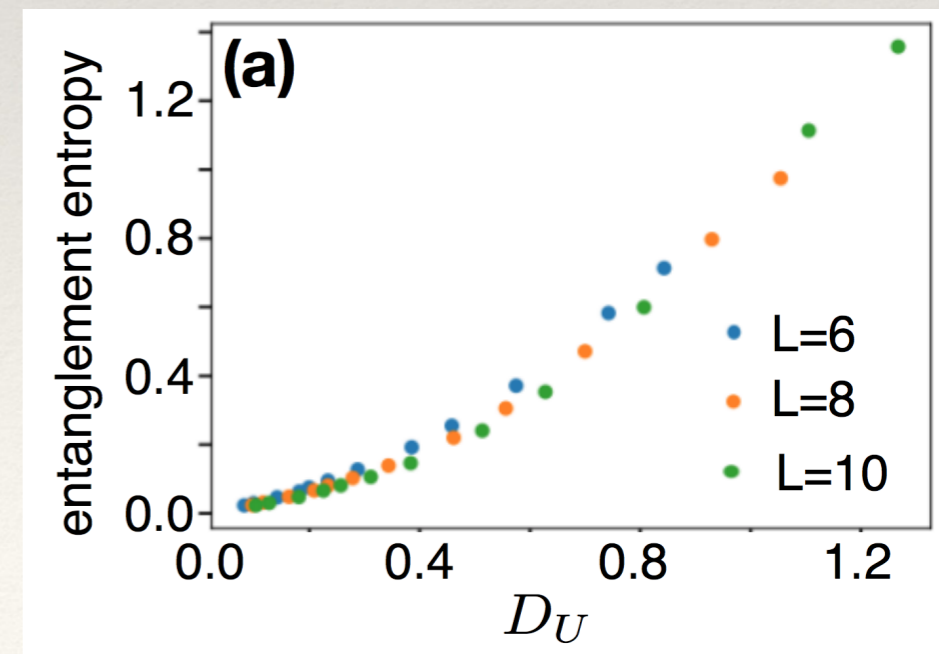


There is a RT theorem analogue.

Most the geodesics are through the ceiling

$$\langle S \rangle \propto D_u^2$$

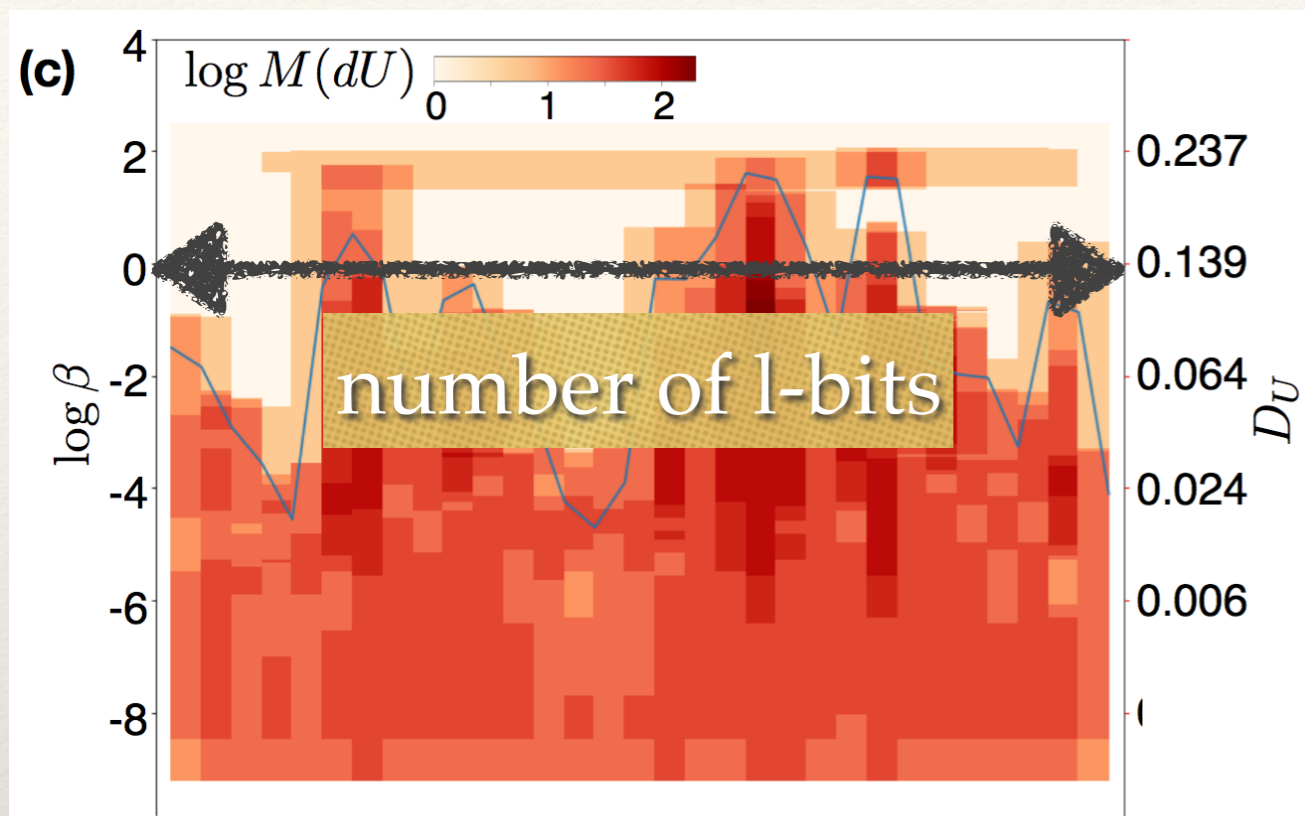
Average over all eigenstates.





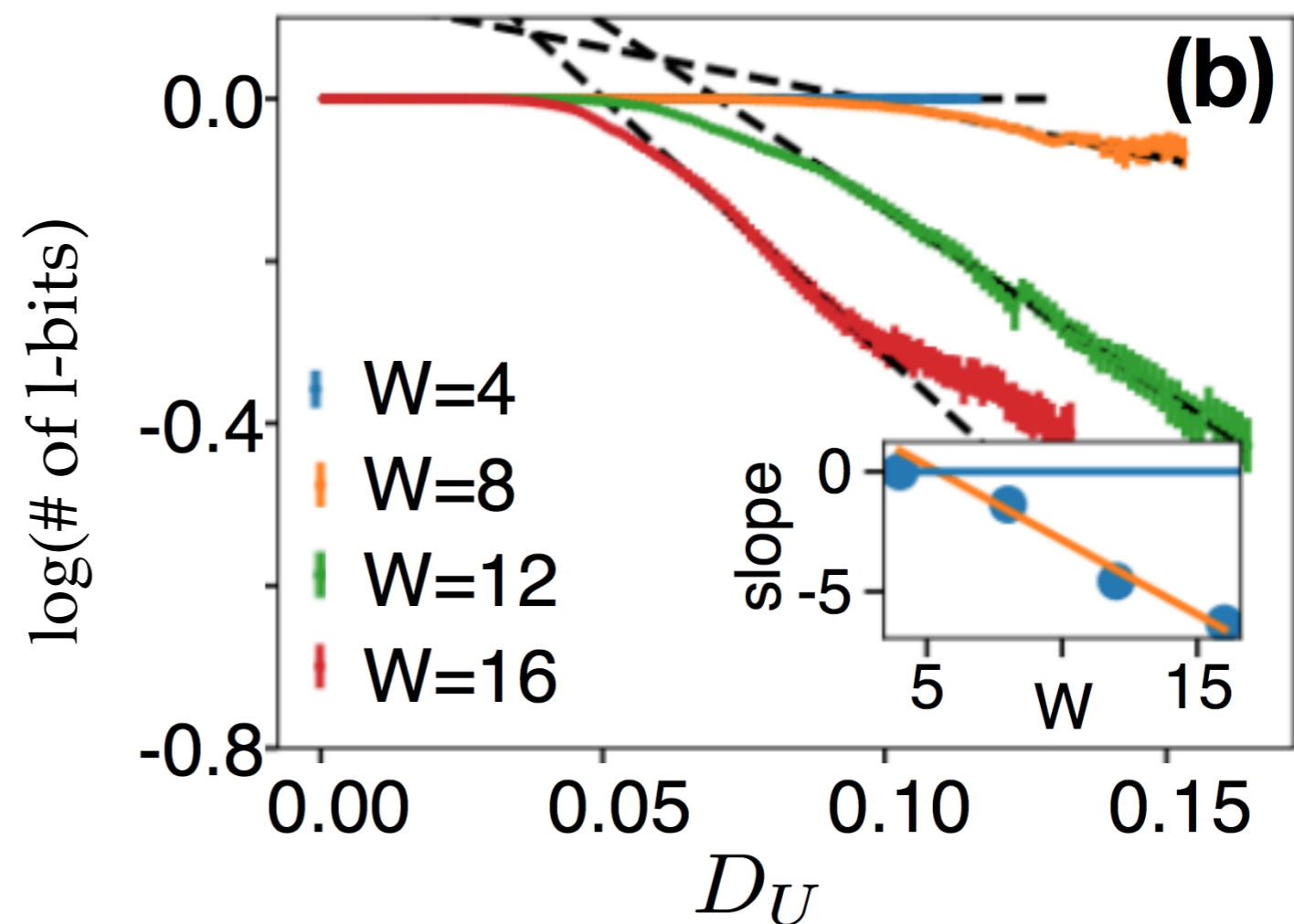
# Understanding the MBL bulk...

At what rate do the  $l$ -bits pop out of MBL bulk?

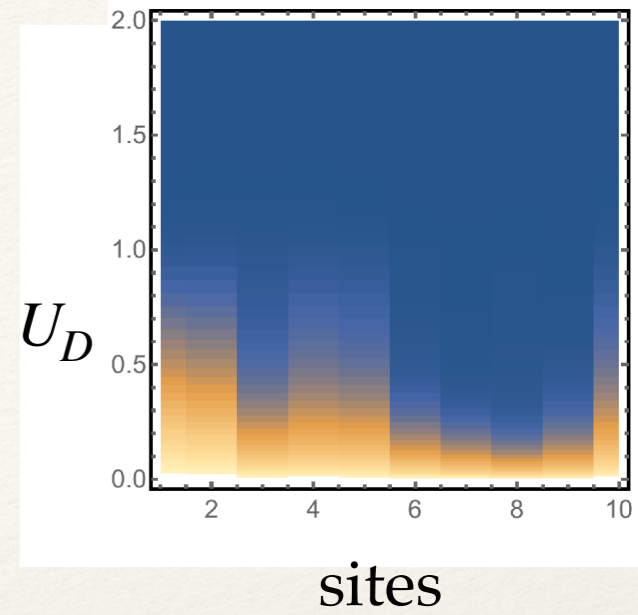


Number of  $l$ -bits remaining decay exponentially

Evidence of rare regions at all scale!



$W=3.5$



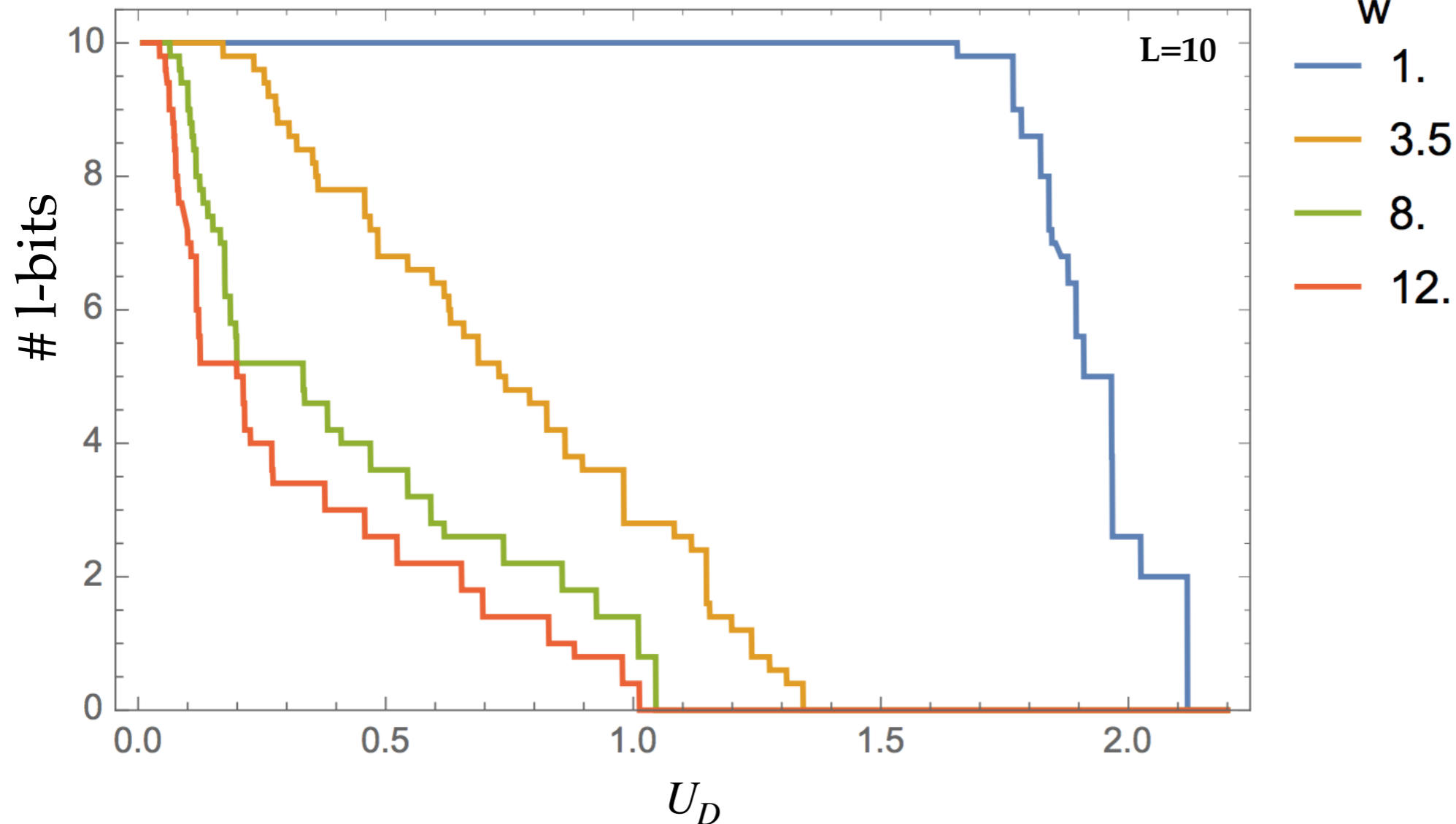
*At what rate do the 1-bits pop out of .... ergodic bulk?*

*At what rate do the 1-bits pop out of .... critical bulk?*

Ergodic: All the '1-bits' pop out at the end.

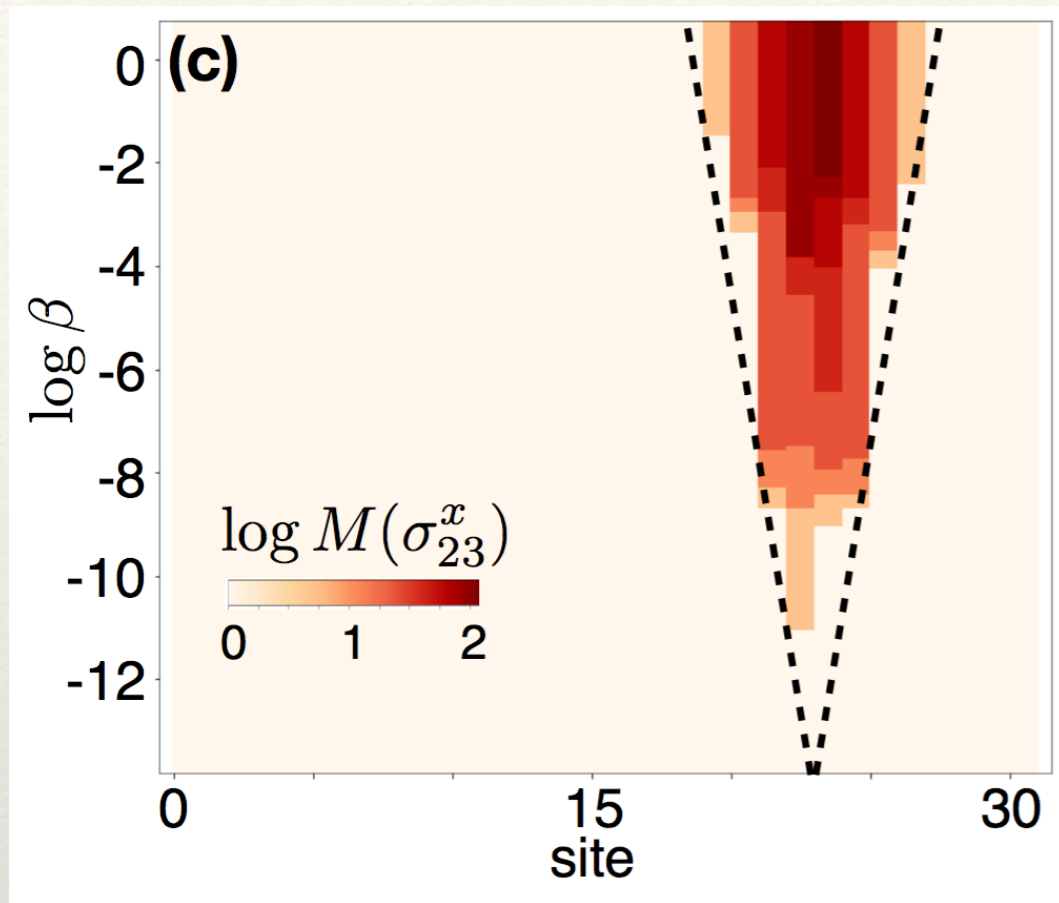
Transition: '1-bits' pop uniformly.

MBL: '1-bits' pop exponentially quickly.

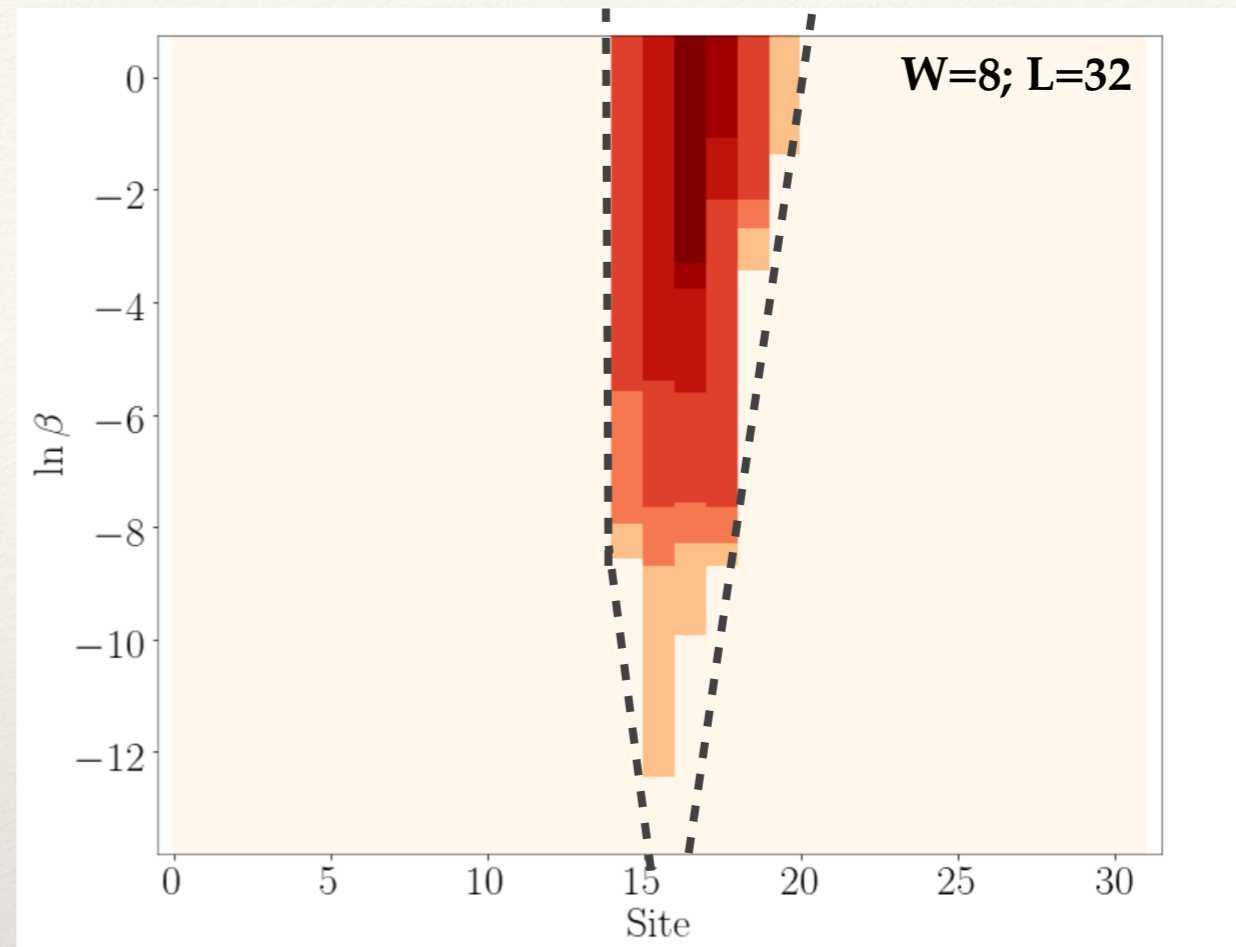


# In the MBL bulk, how fast do operators spread?

In the MBL phase



Operator light cone spread as  $\log(\beta)$

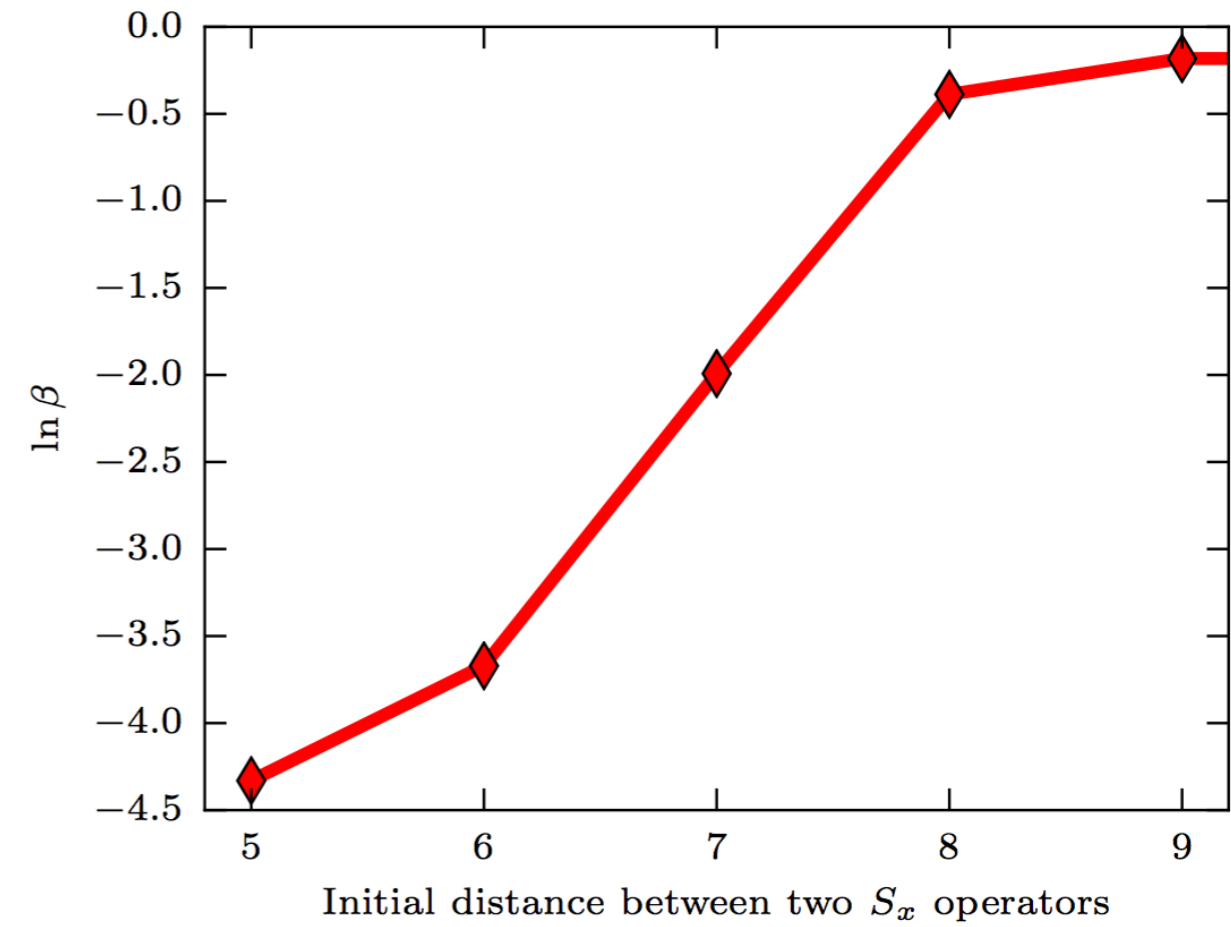
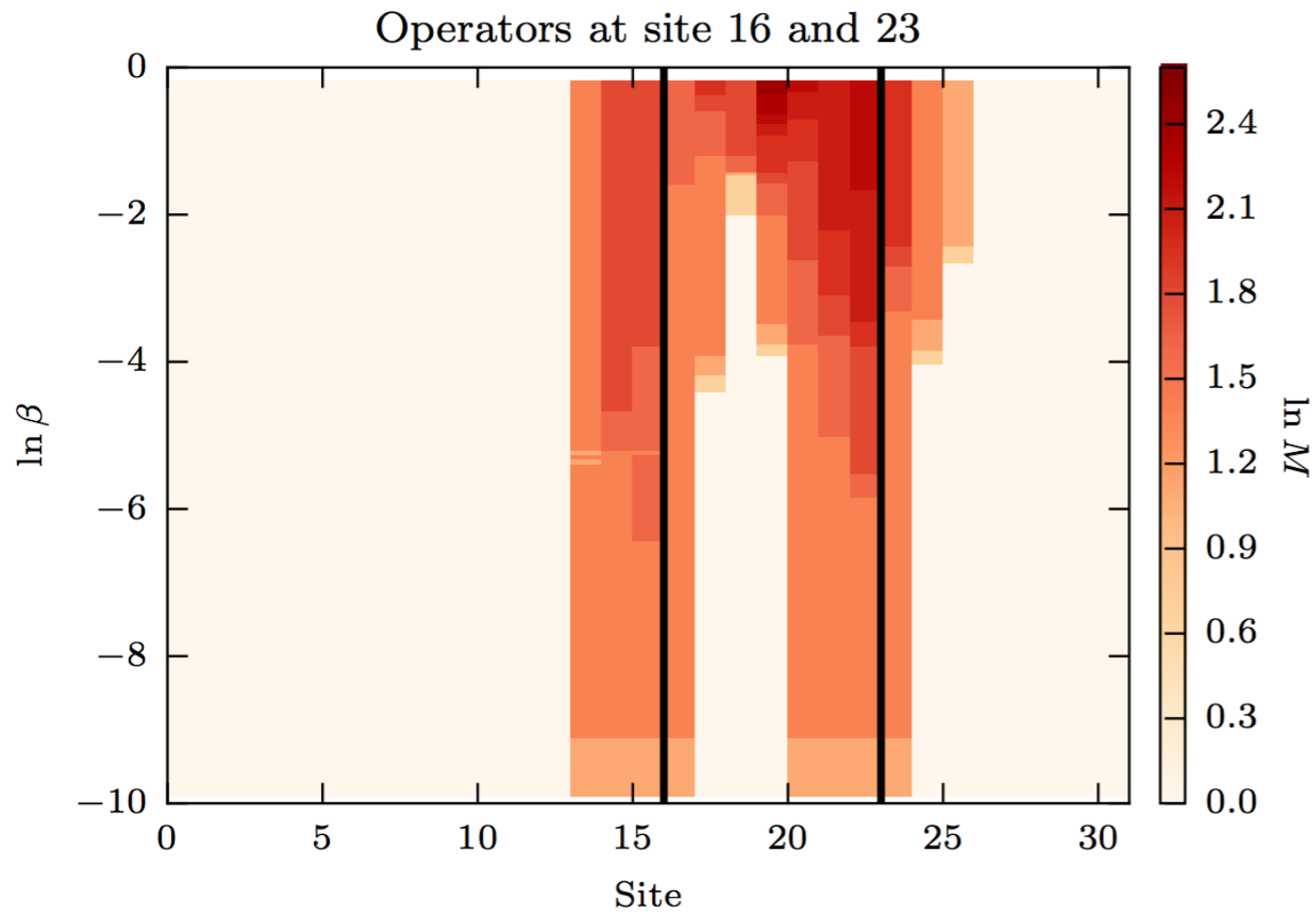


until they hit a wall.

Energy scale of coupled l-bits:  $e^{-L_0}$  where  $L_0$  is cutoff

# In the MBL bulk, how fast do operators spread?

You can also see it by looking at how long it takes light cones from two operators to collide.

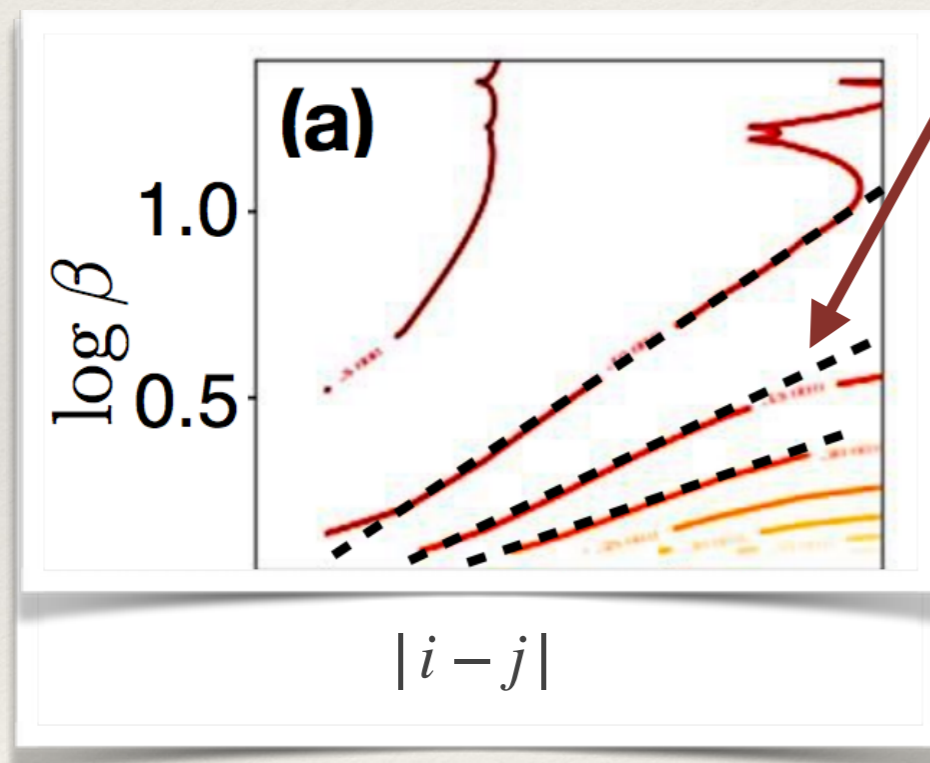


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You can also see it by looking at contours of the spread of the operator in its Pauli expansion.

$$U(\beta)\hat{O}U^\dagger(\beta) = [\dots] + \sum_{ij} V_{ij}(\beta)\sigma_i\sigma_j$$

Contours of V

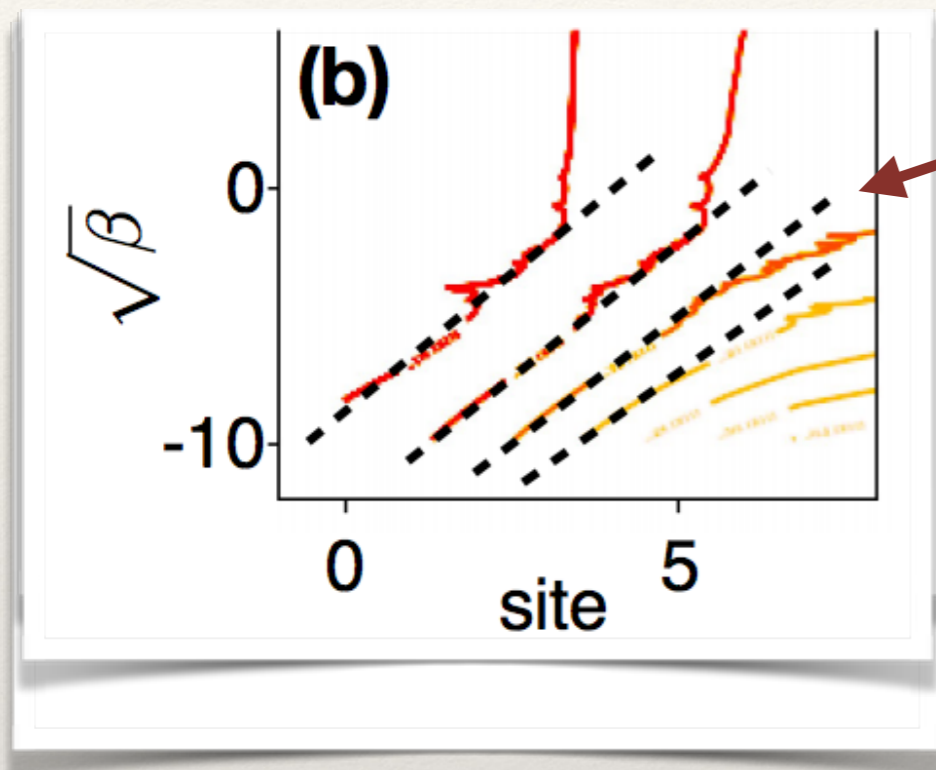




## In the ergodic bulk, how fast do operators spread?

operator light cone spread as  $\sqrt{\beta}$

$$U(\beta)\hat{O}U^\dagger(\beta) = [\dots] + \sum_{ij} V_{ij}(\beta)\sigma_i\sigma_j$$



Contours of  $V$

1-bit energy scales as  $1/E$

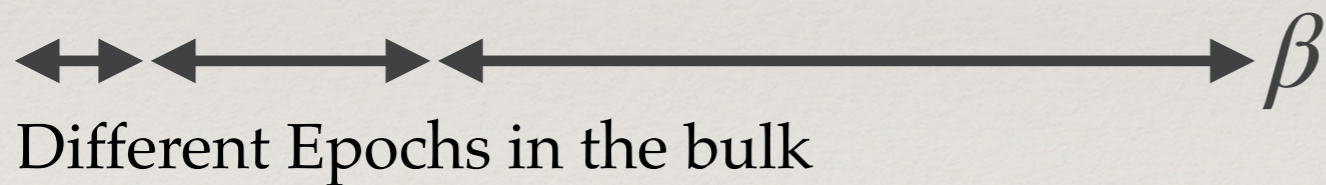
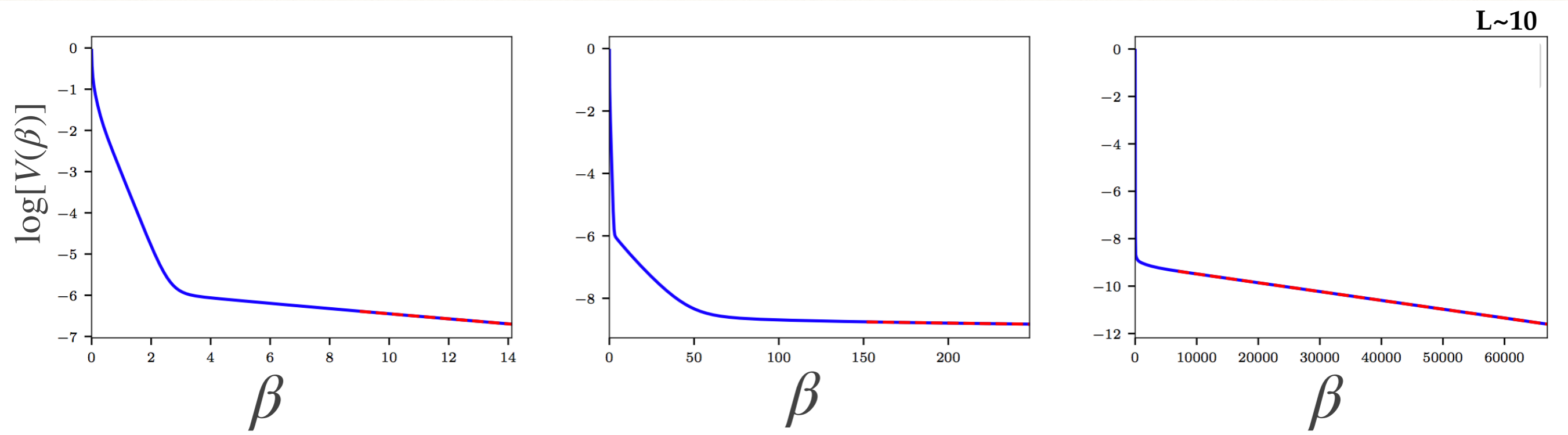
## In the critical bulk, how fast do operators spread? *(speculation)*

Log without any ceiling.

# The bulk at infinite beta tells us about the transition.

Variance shrinks as  $V(\beta) = \exp[-\beta(\Delta E)^2]$

Unitary Distance shrinks as  $\Delta E \exp[-\beta/2(\Delta E)^2]$



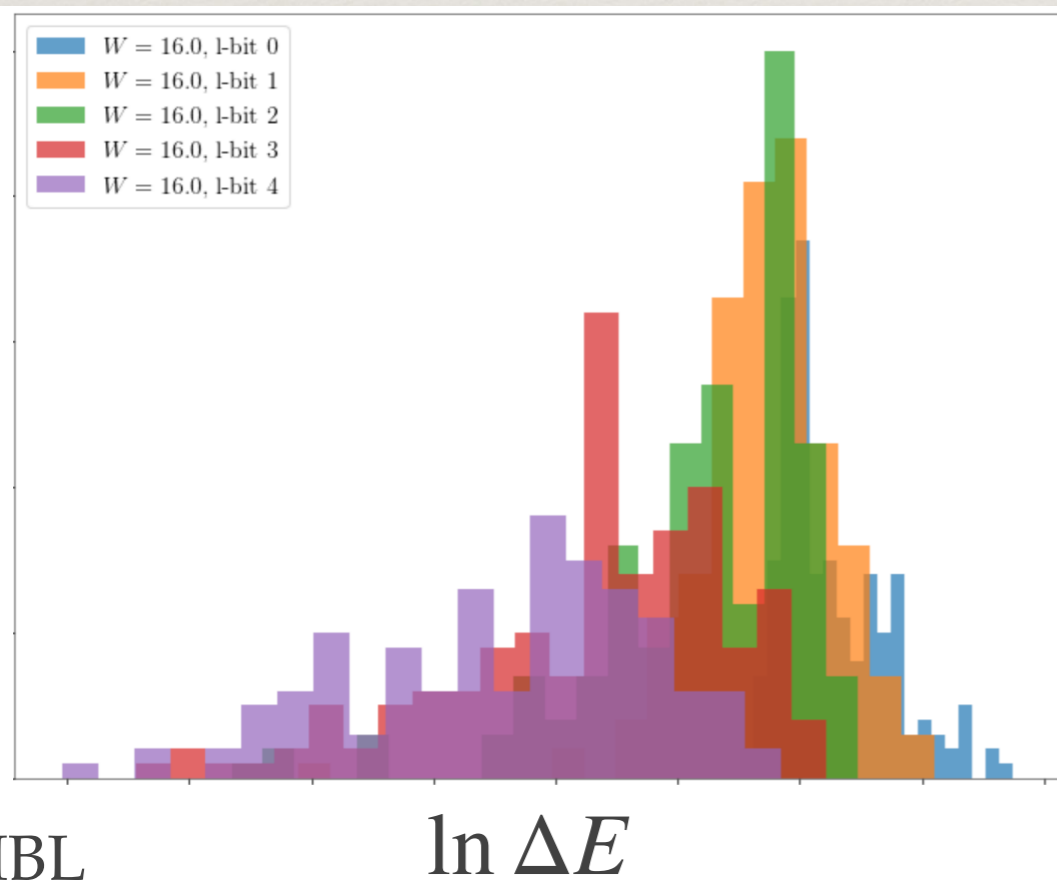
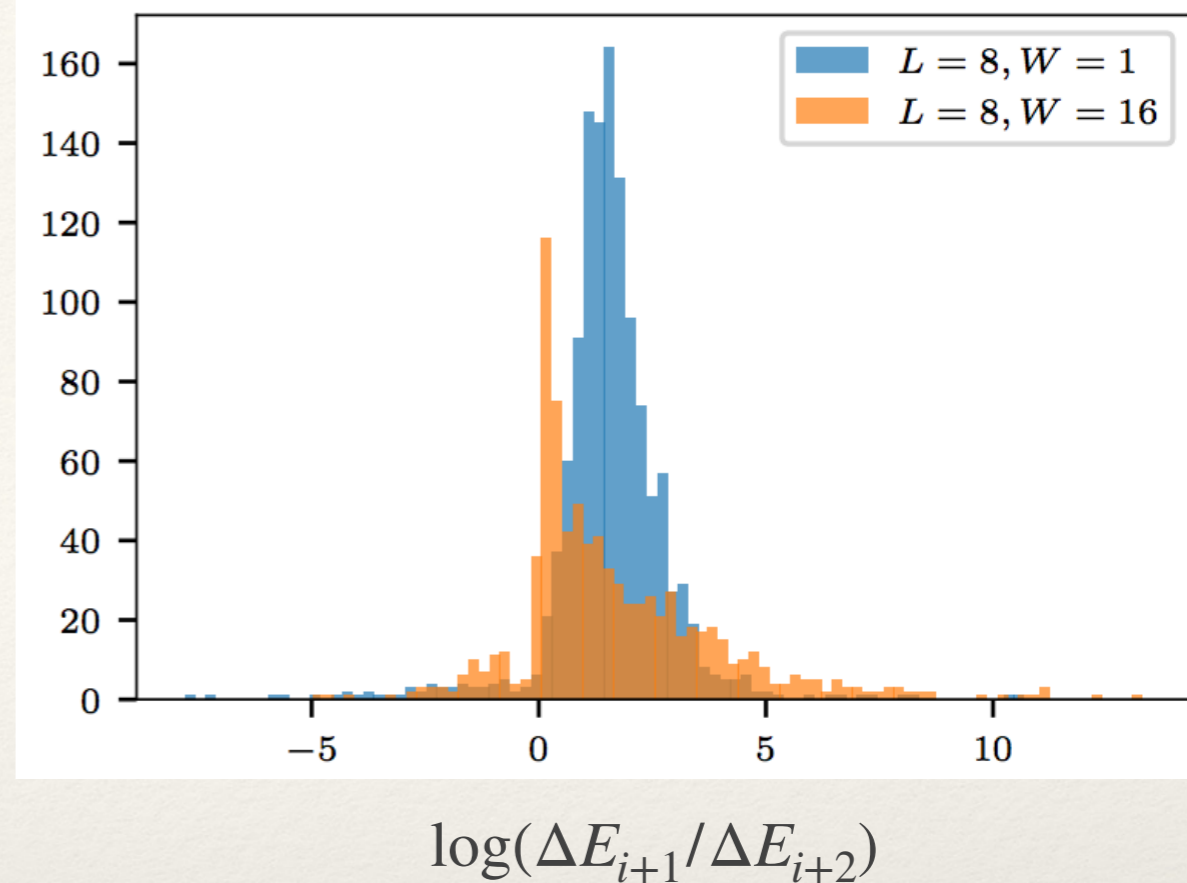
## In the bulk, can you see the level spacing?

Energy must get down to 'inter-level spacing'.

Ergodic: RG energy scale drops exponentially

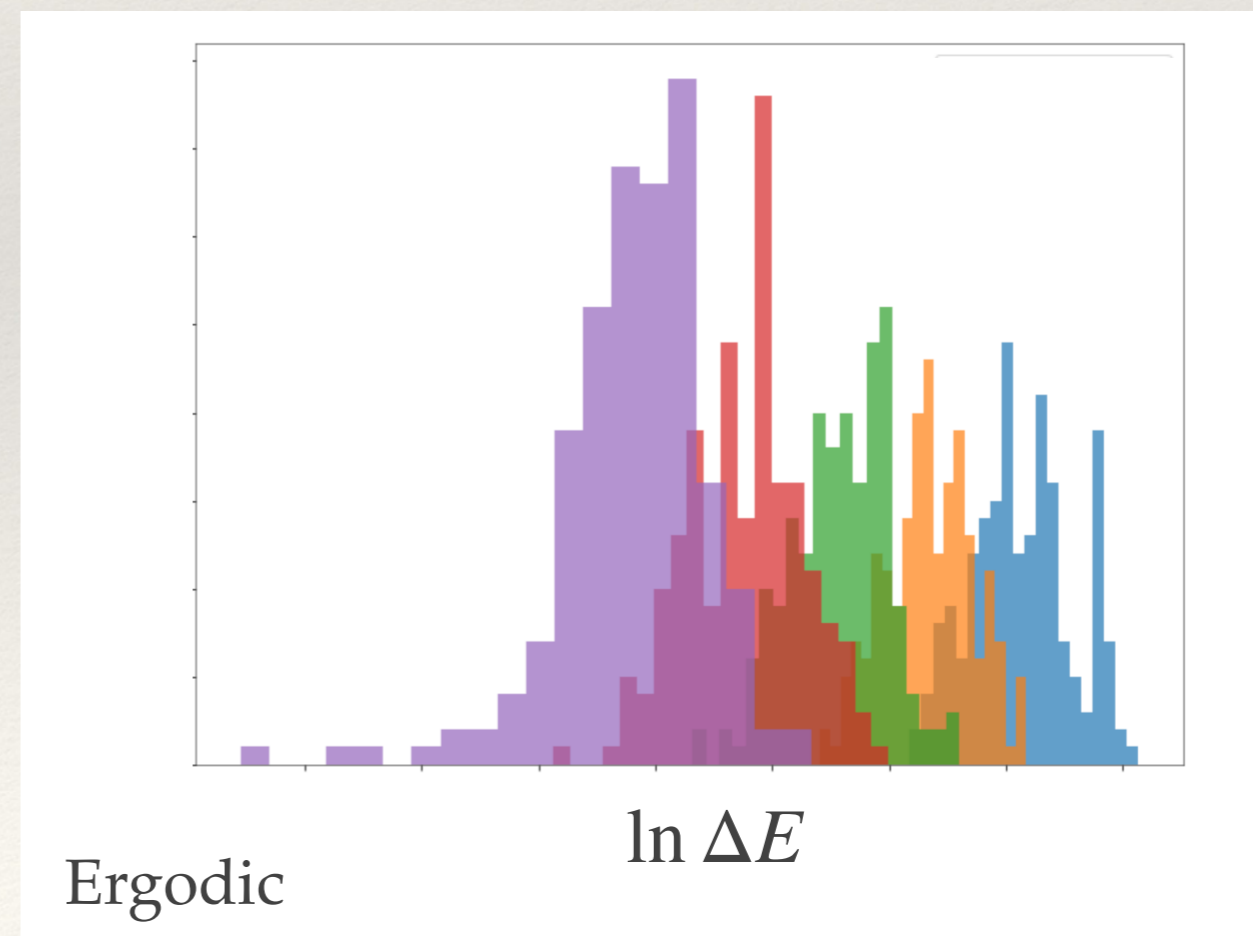
Critical: RG energy scale drops as  $1/e$

MBL: RG energy scale drops as poisson?



MBL

$\ln \Delta E$



Ergodic

$\ln \Delta E$

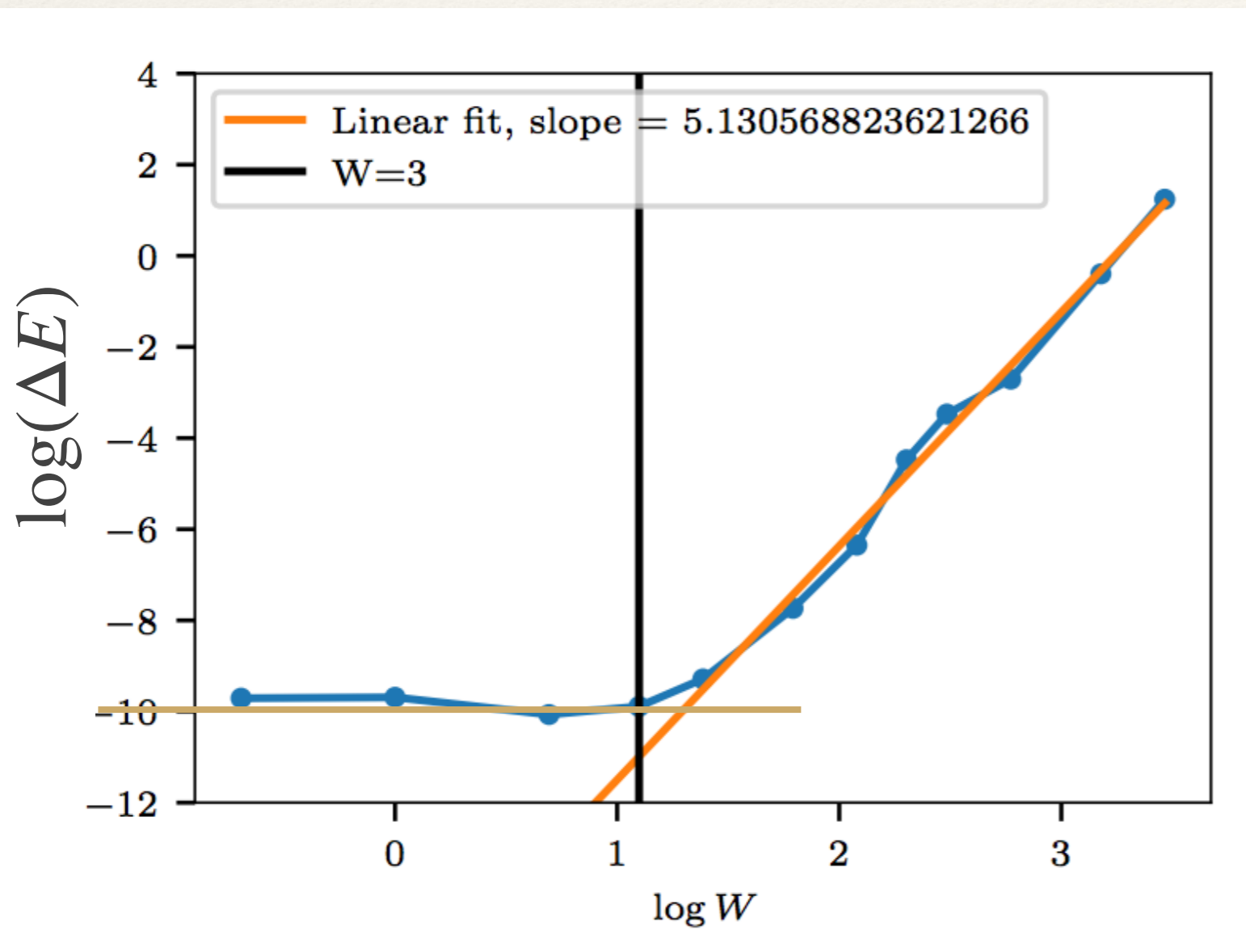
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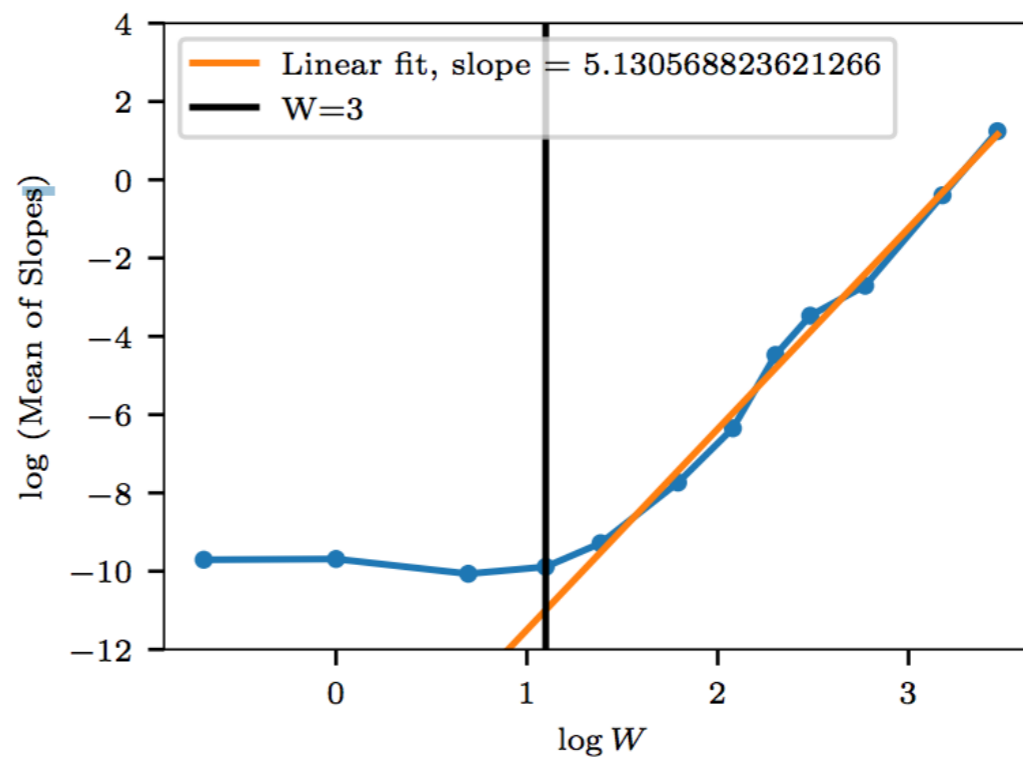
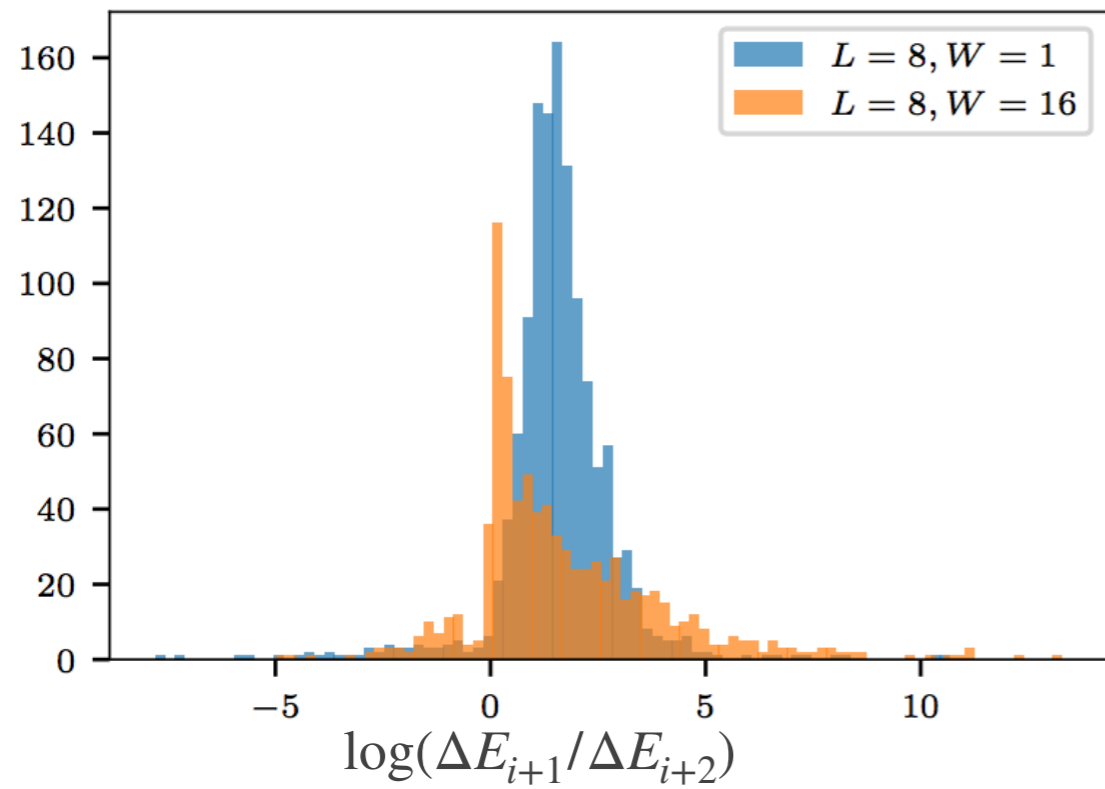
Lowest energy scale of RG tells you about MBL vs. ergodic.



Different Epochs in the bulk

MBL vs. ergodic distinguished by the 'infinite' distance in the bulk.





Lesson: The MBL and Ergodic Bulk are very different.

We should be able to learn something about the transition from how they change.

Can we just measure the fidelity of  $U$ ?

$$I + dU(W) \equiv U^\dagger(W)U(W + \delta)$$

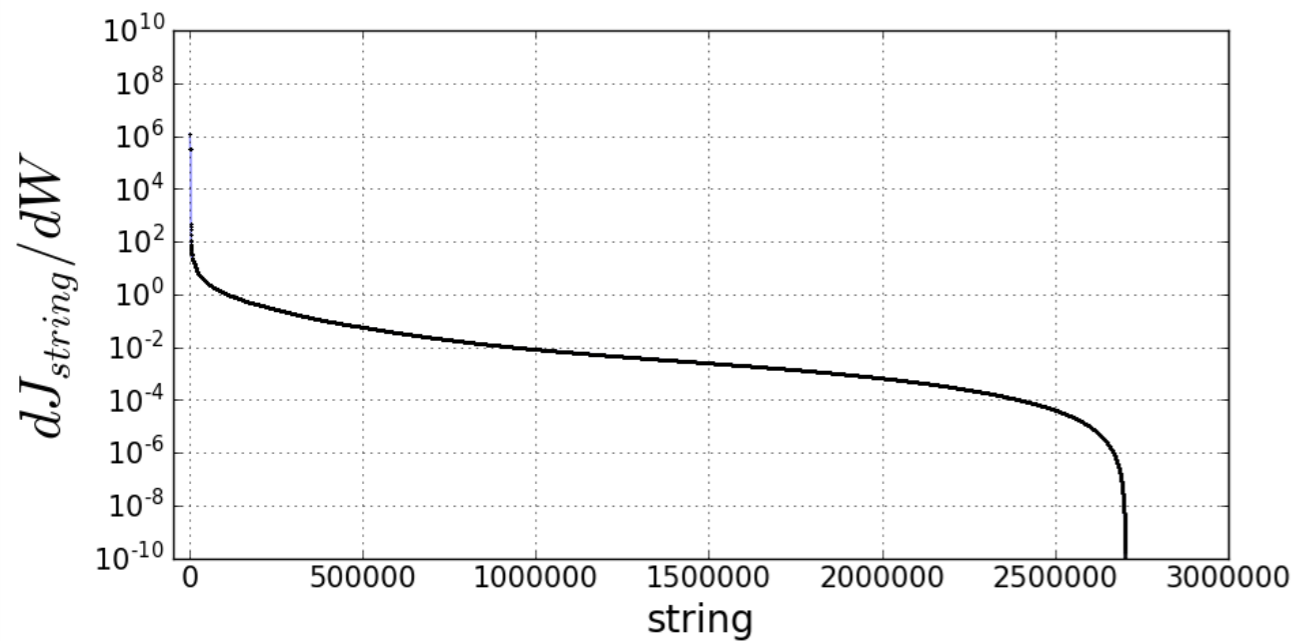
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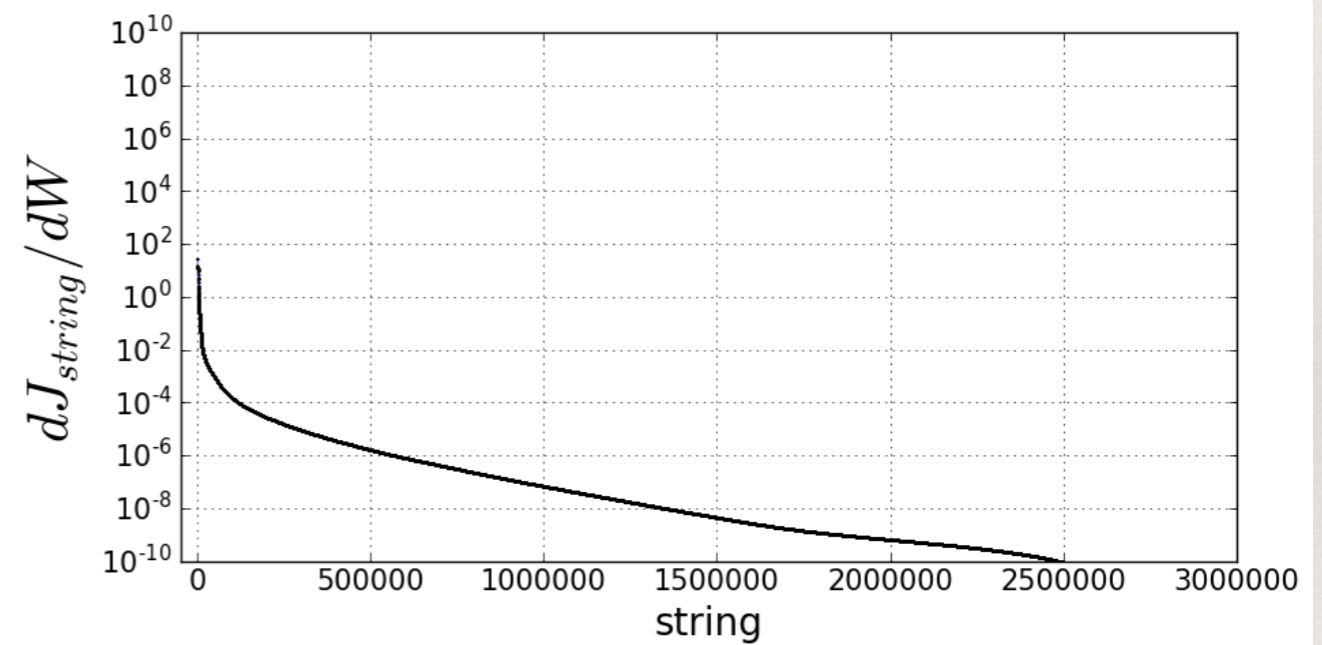
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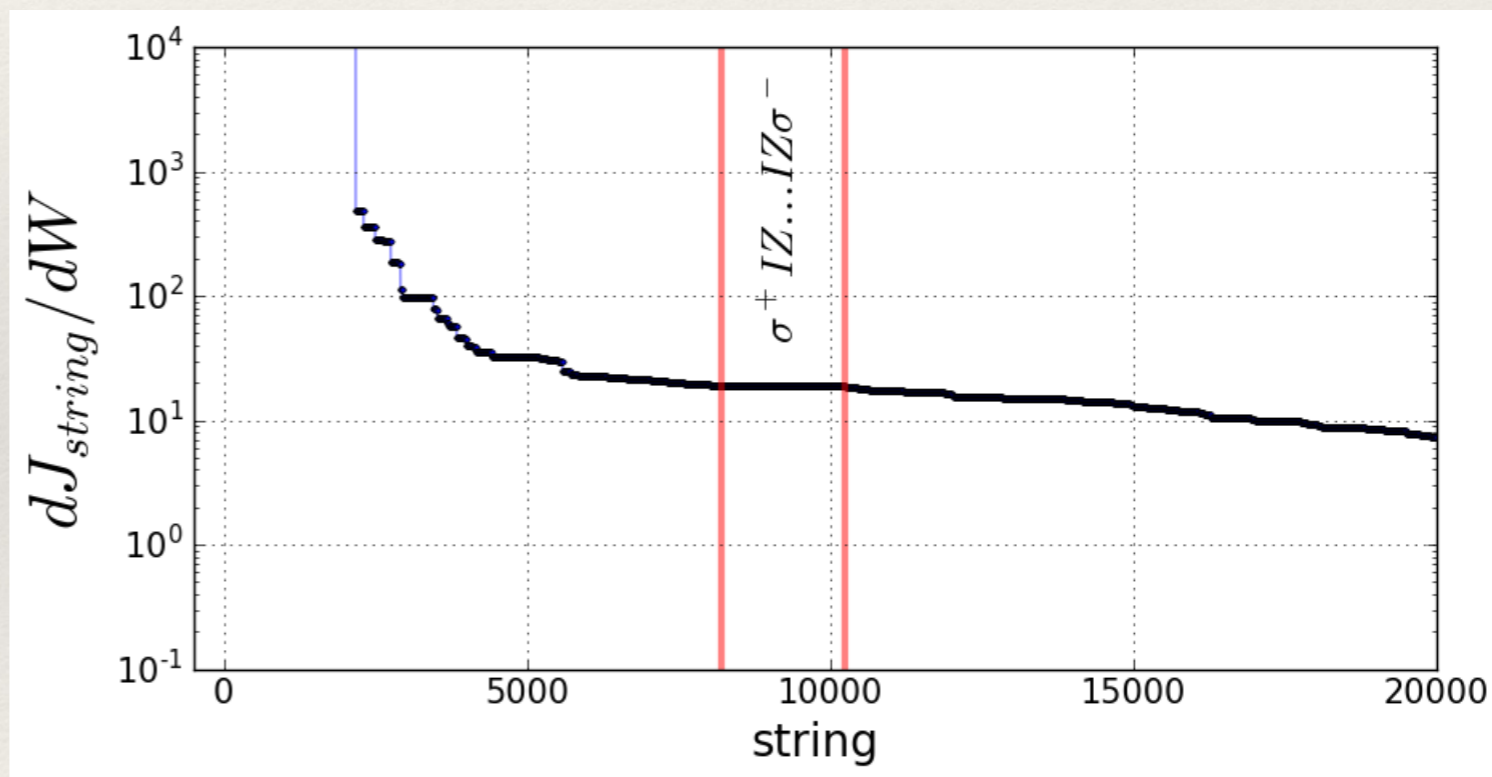
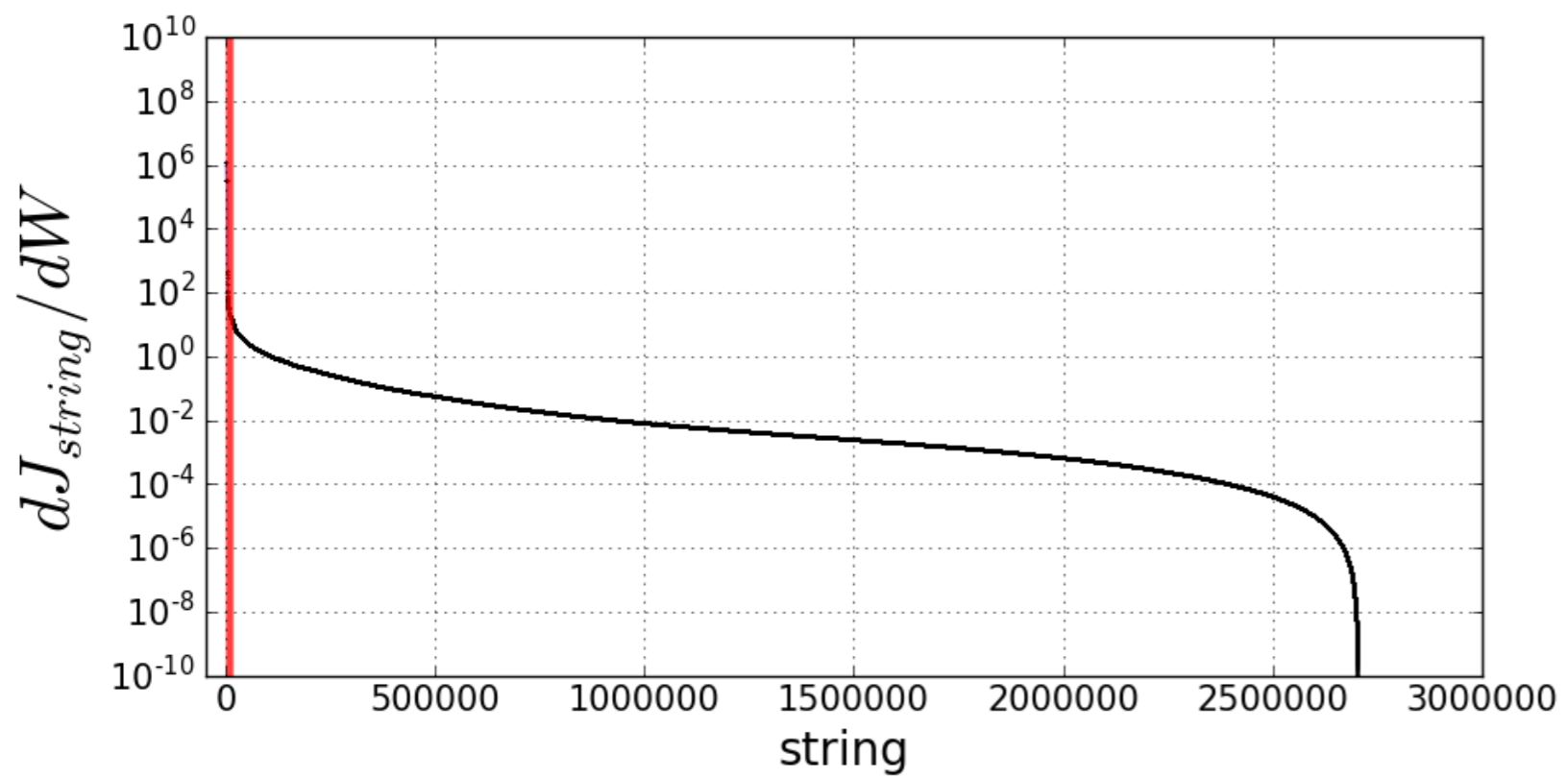
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$W = 2.5$

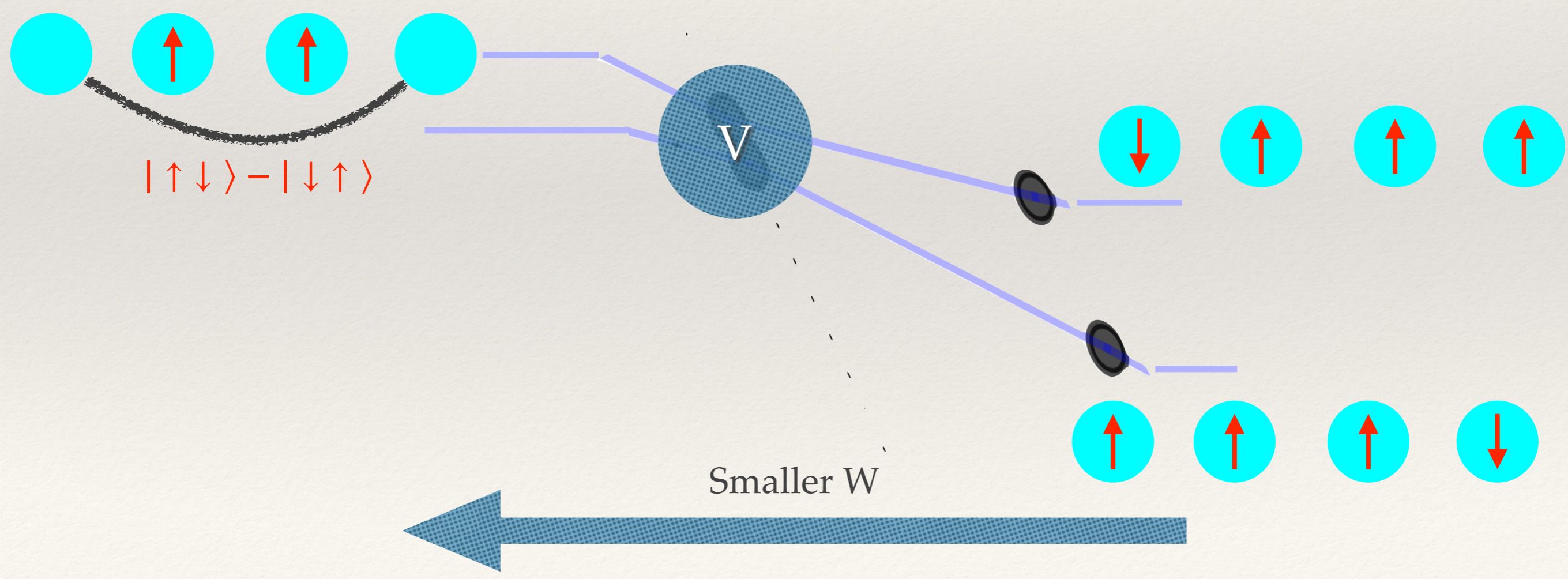
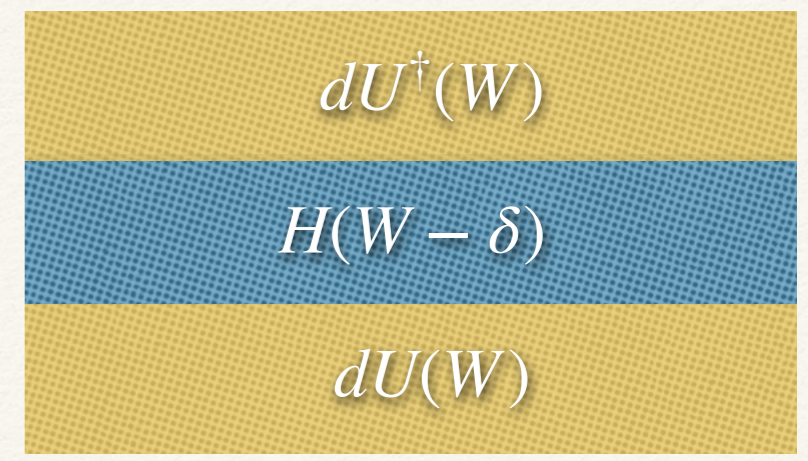
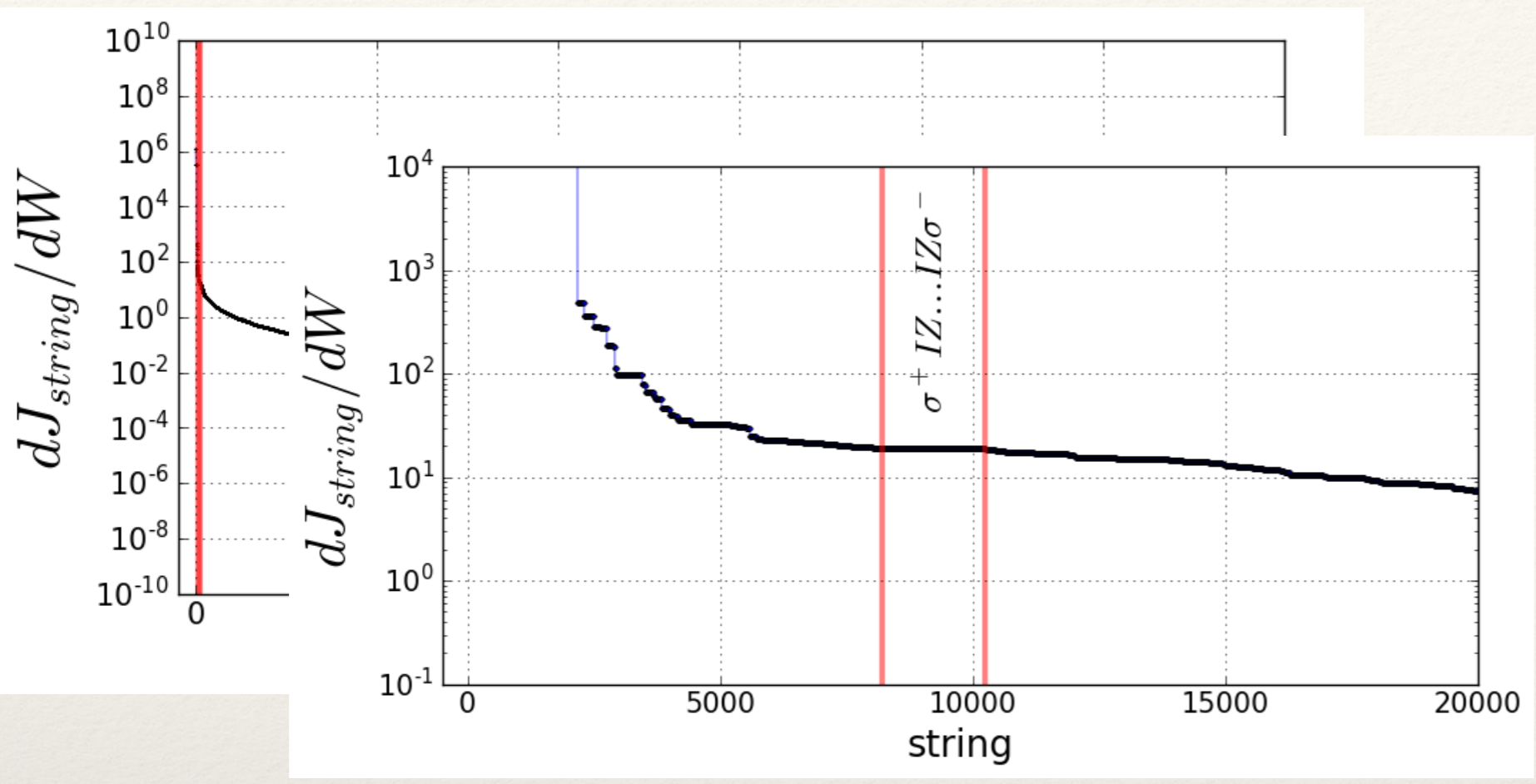


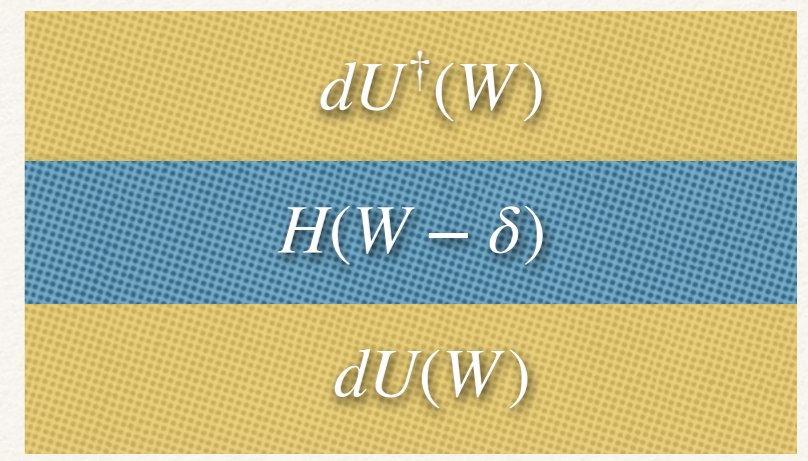
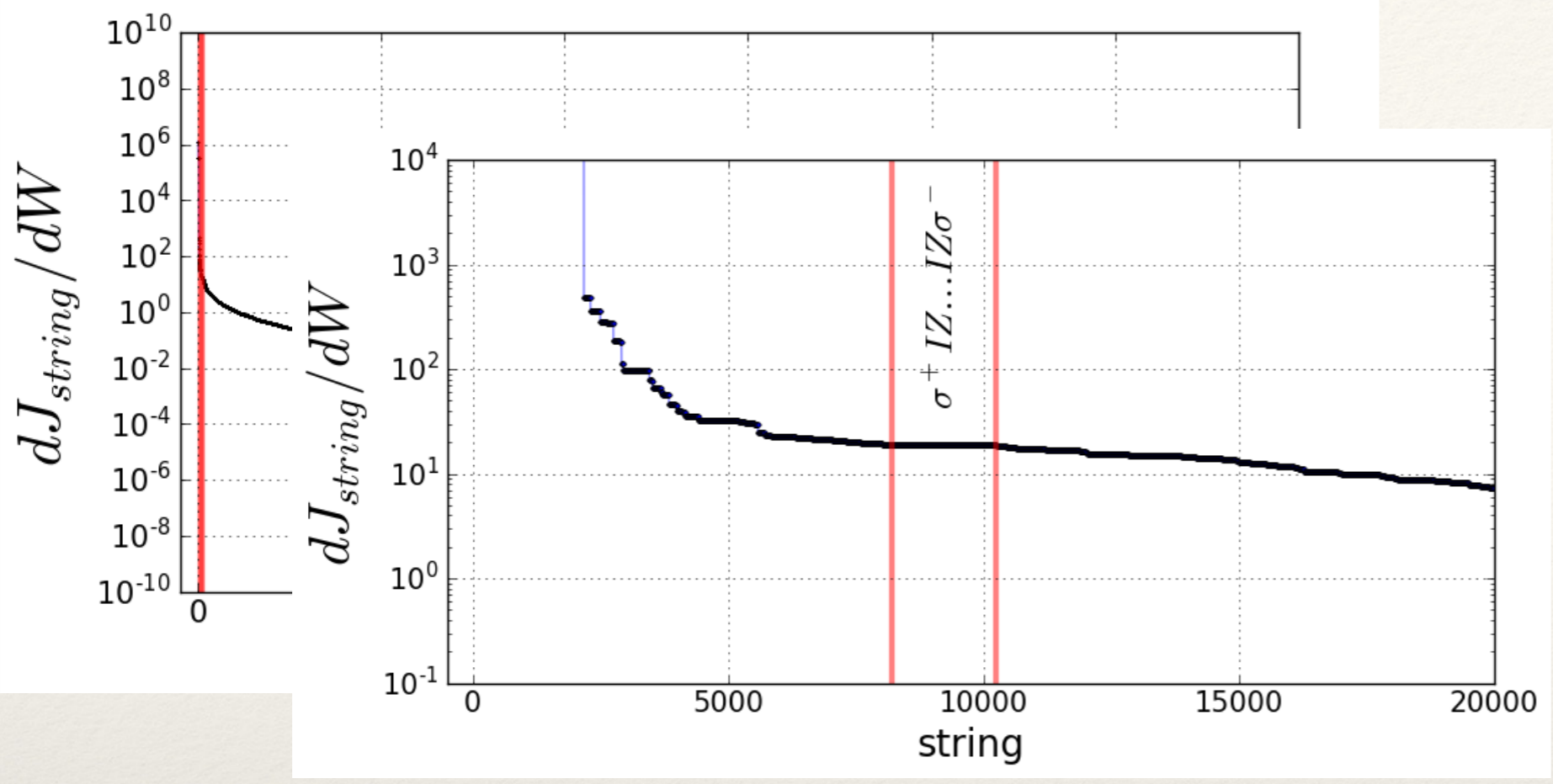
$W = 8$



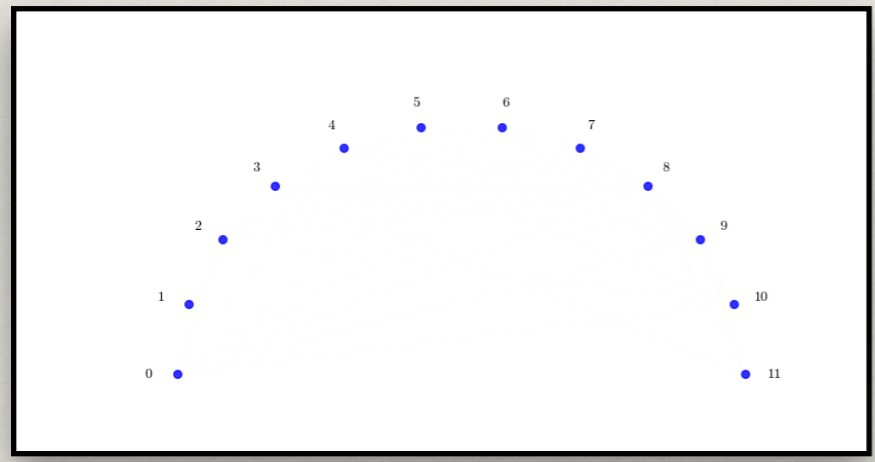




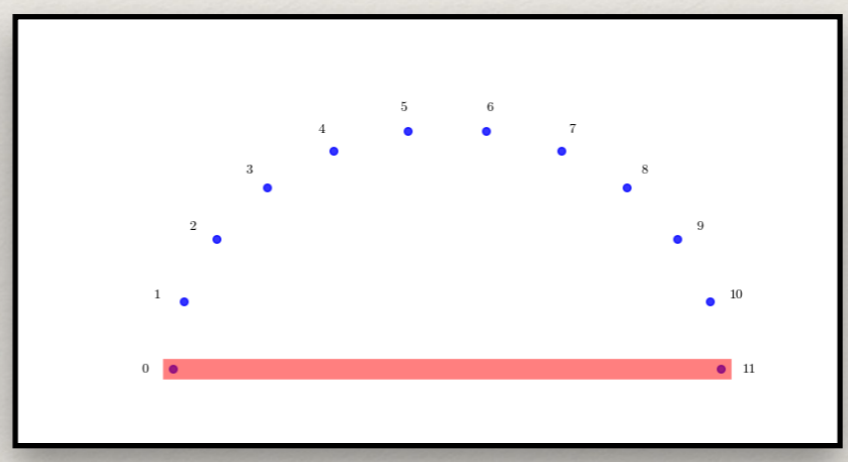




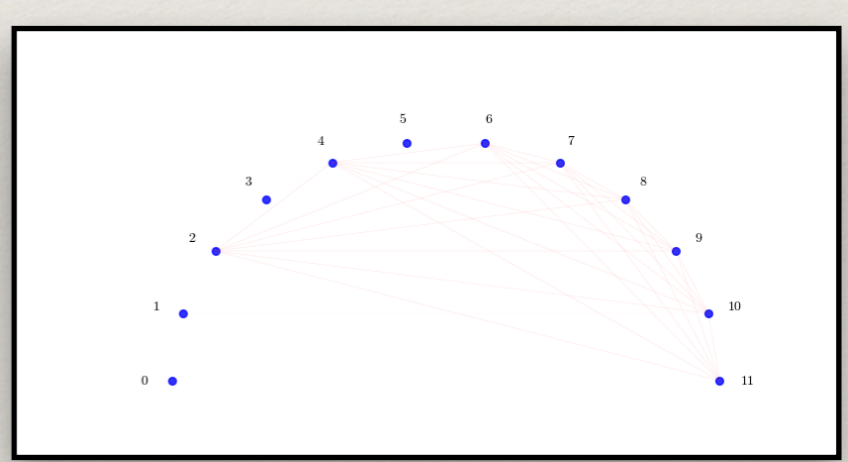
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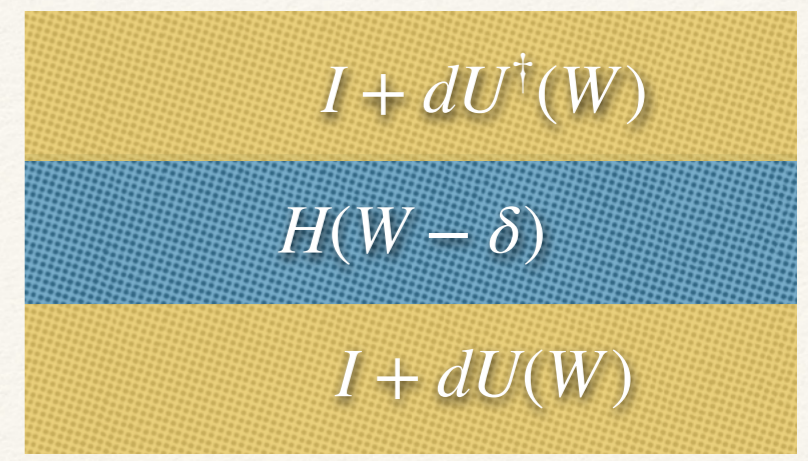
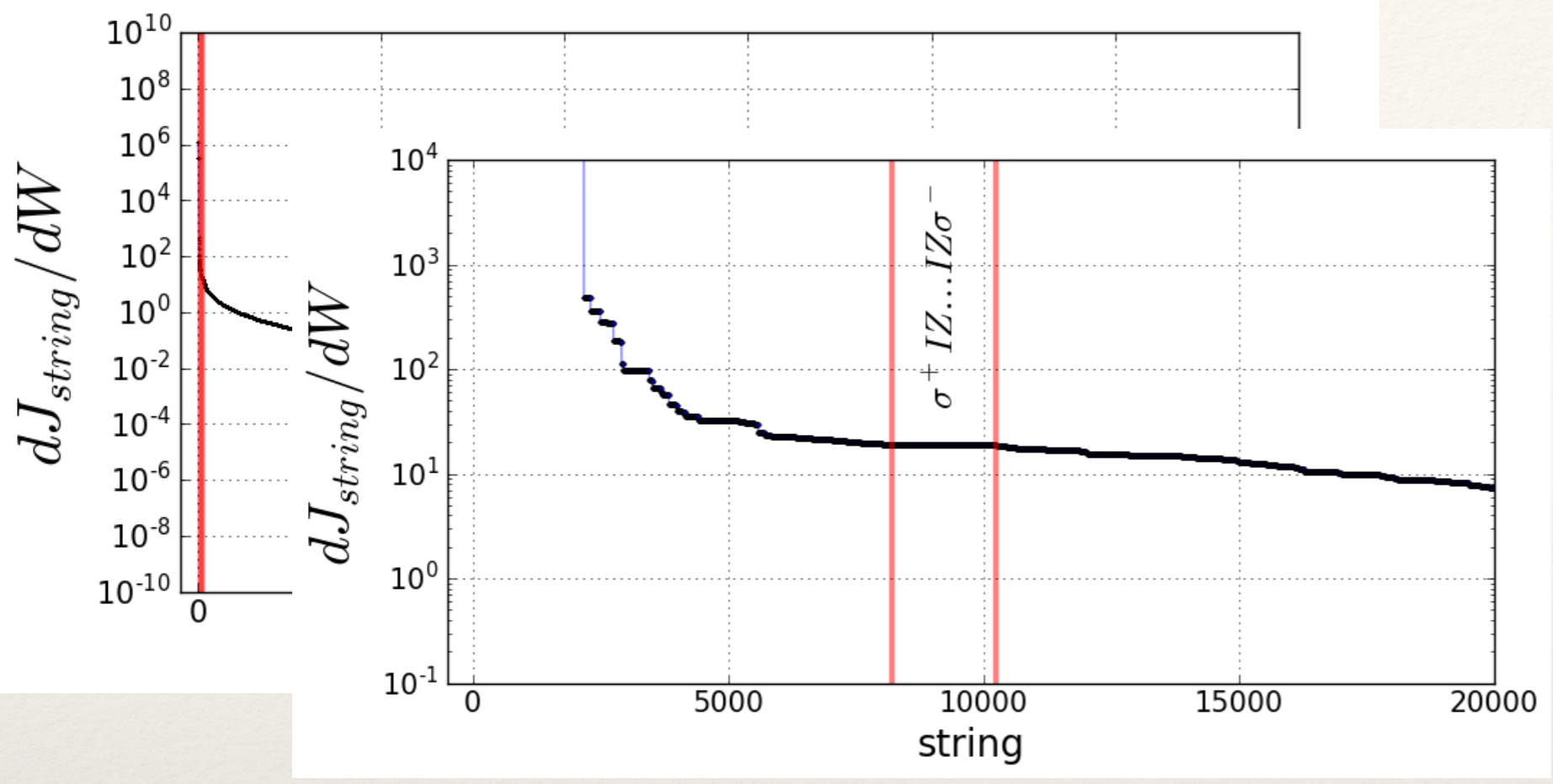


$W = 2.5$



$W = 2.5 + \delta$



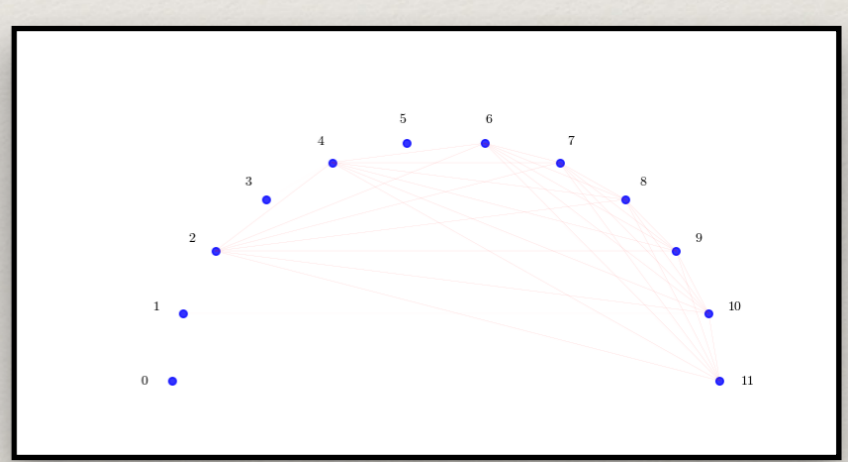
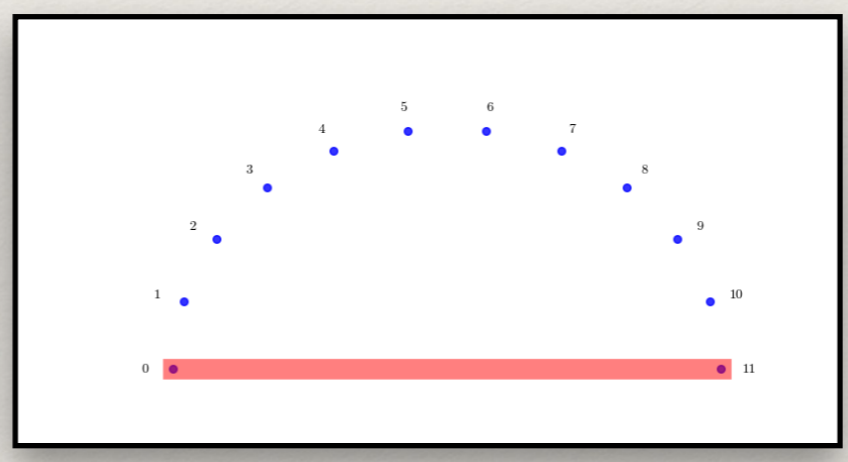
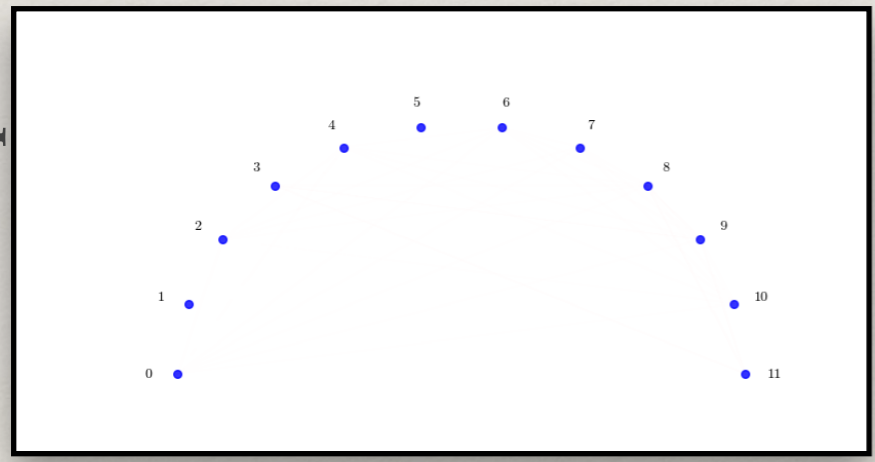


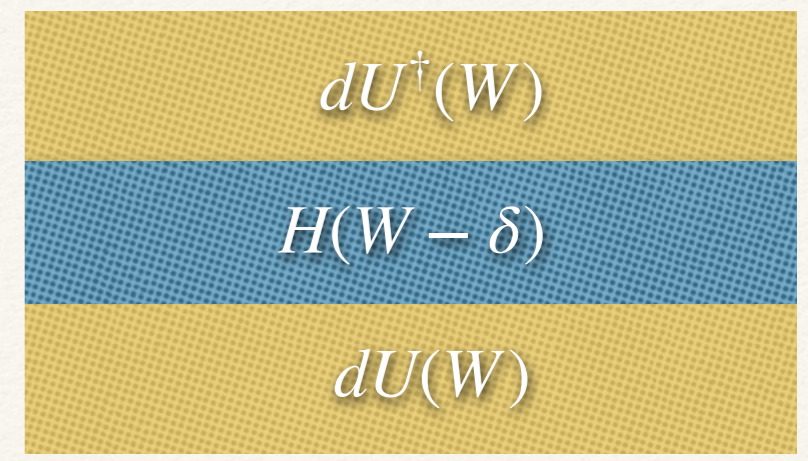
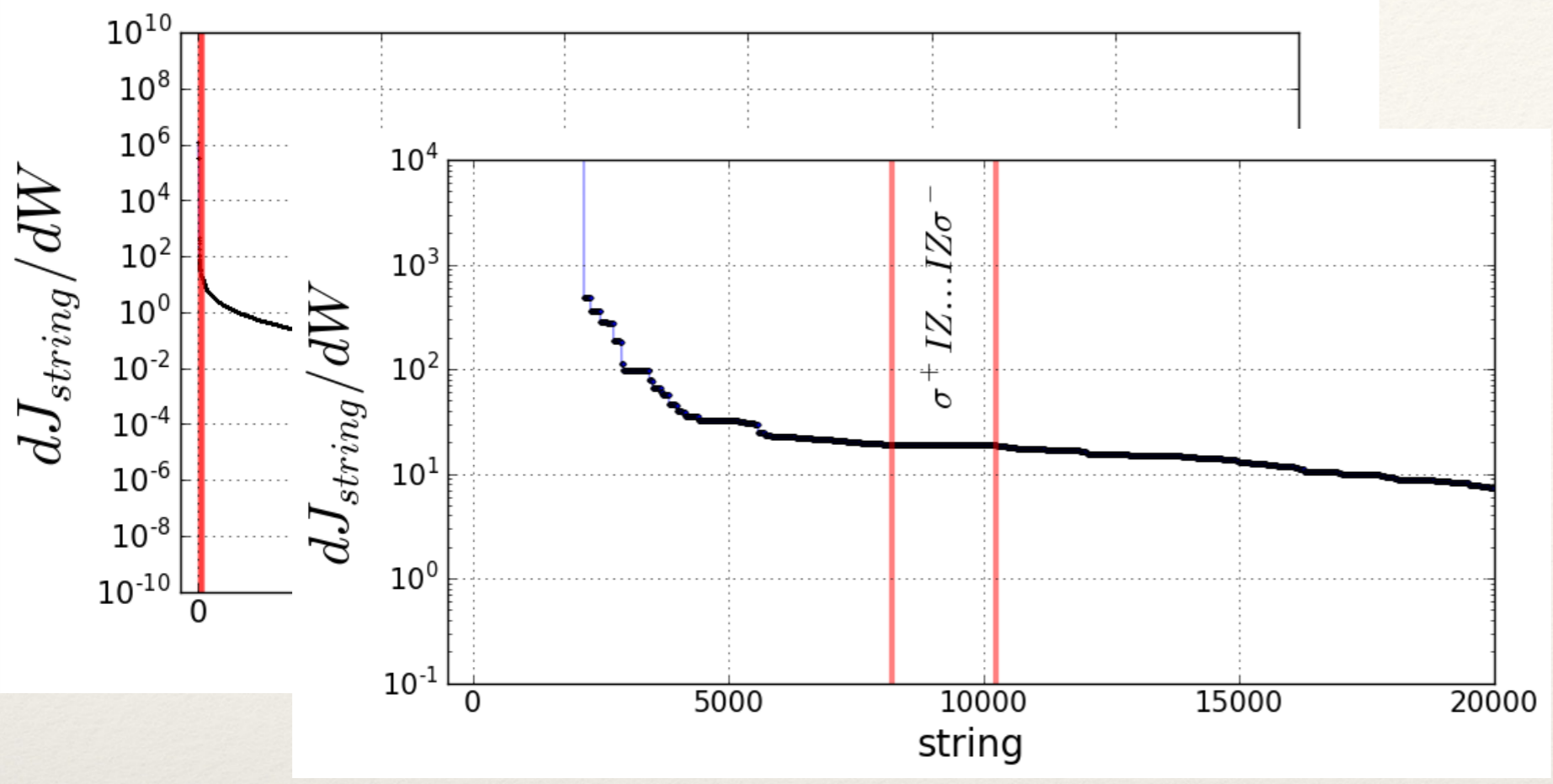
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Relative Space



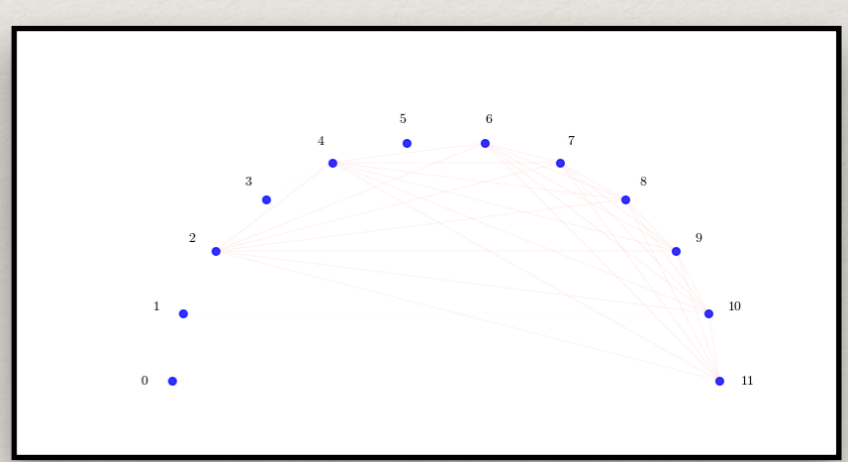
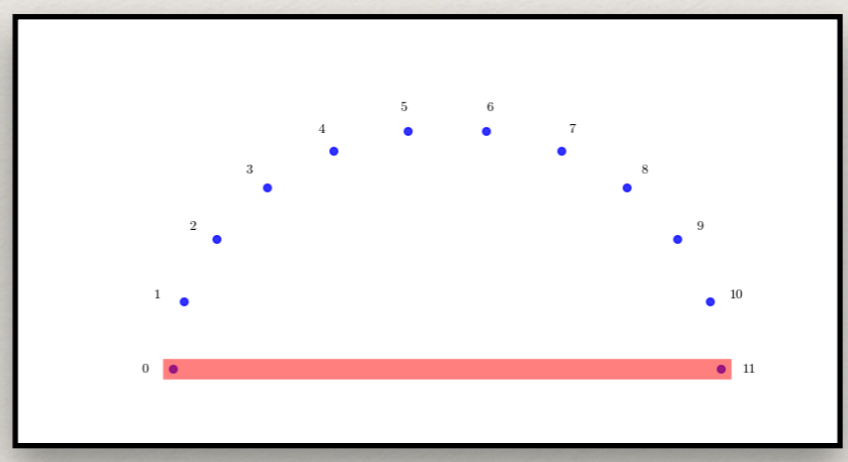
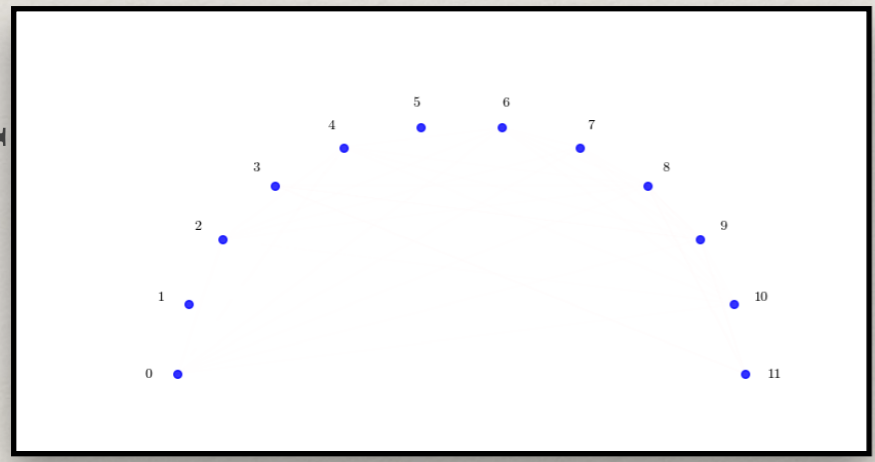


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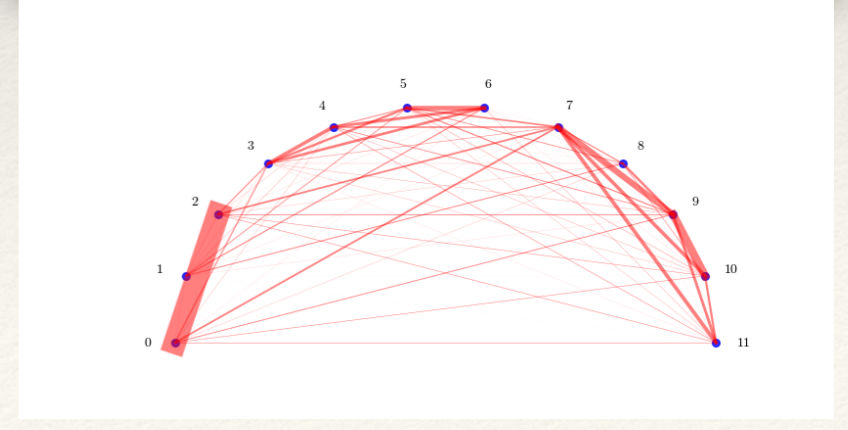
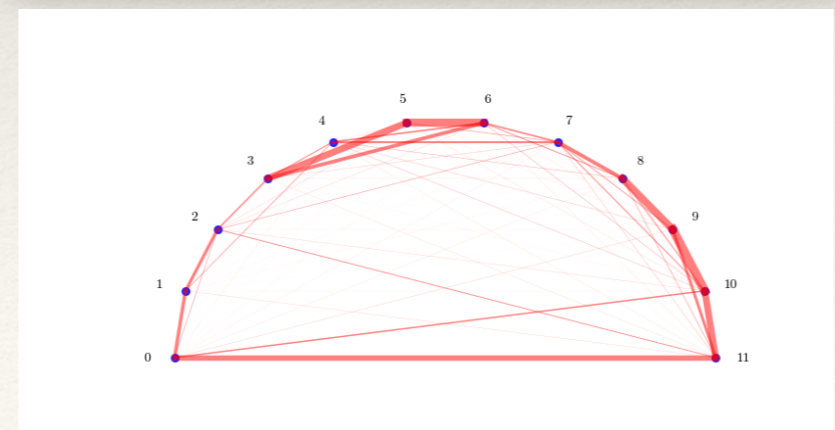
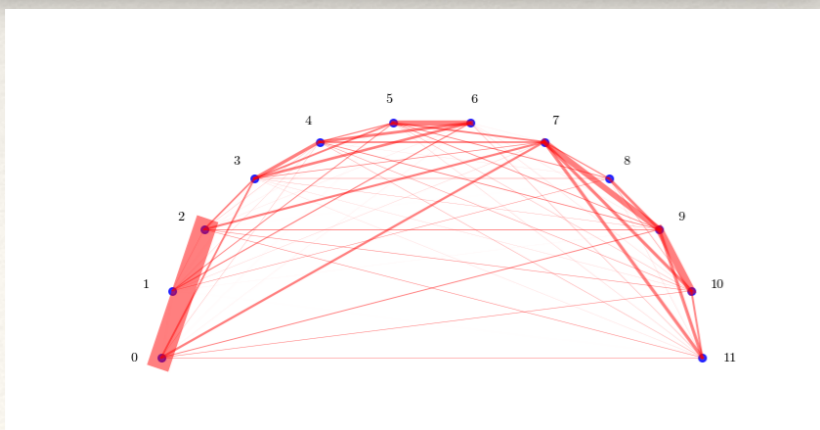
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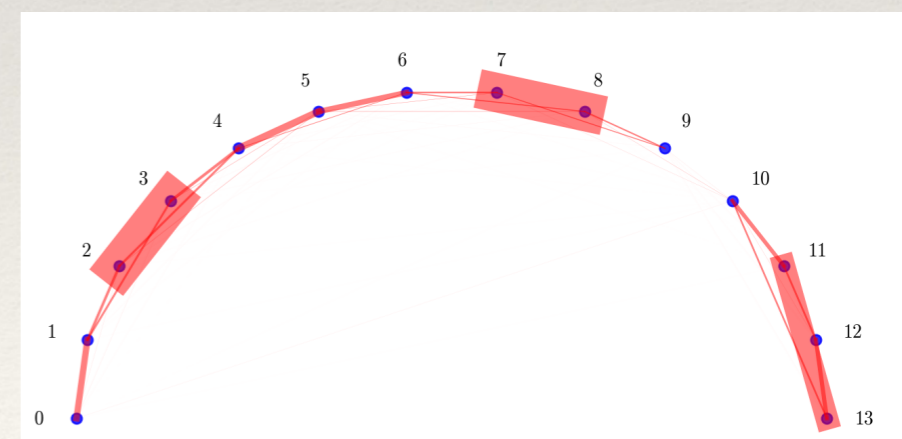
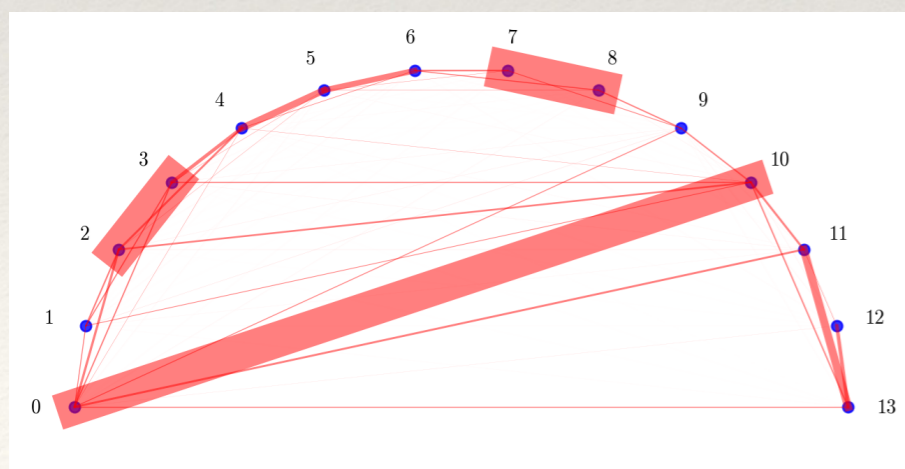
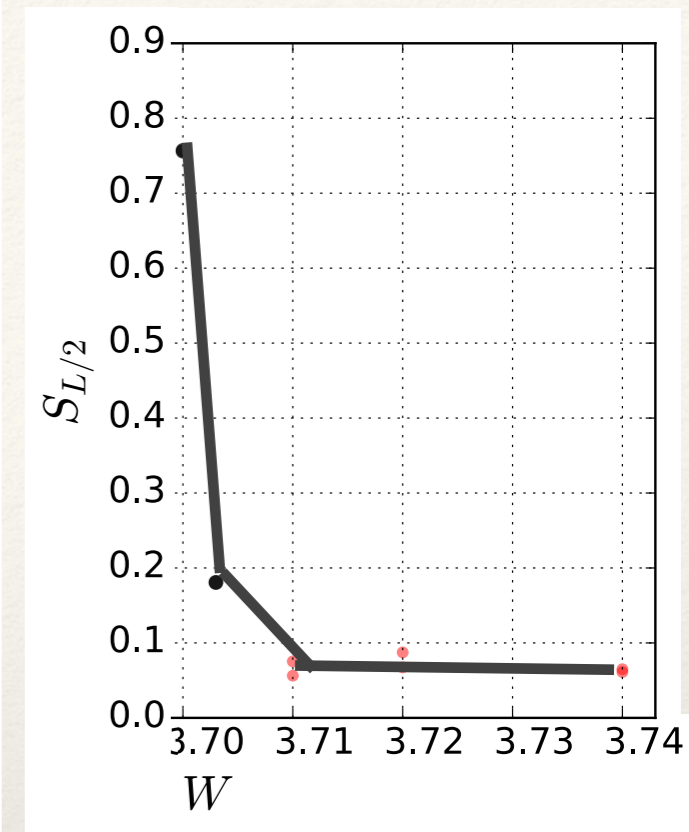
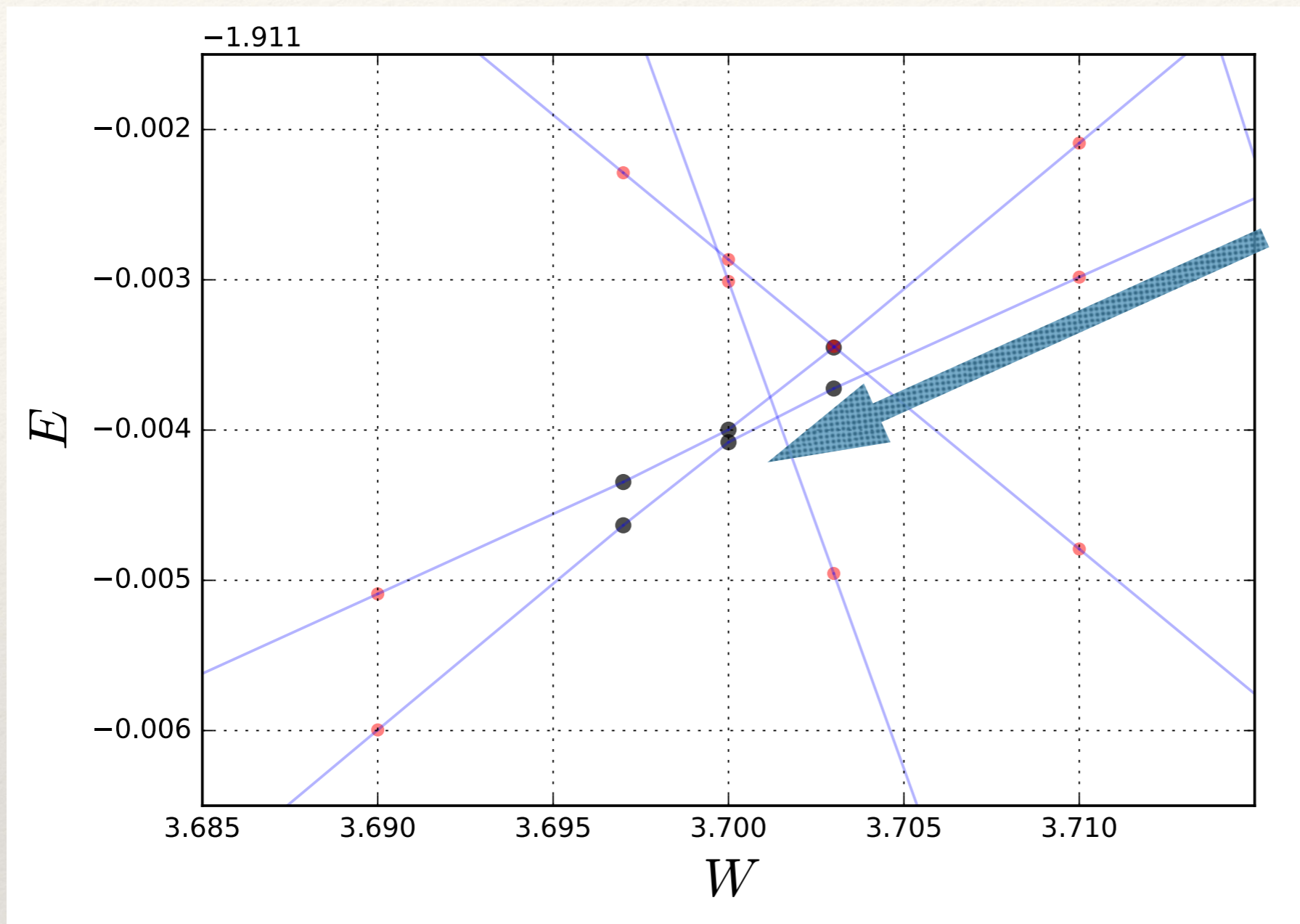
Relative Space



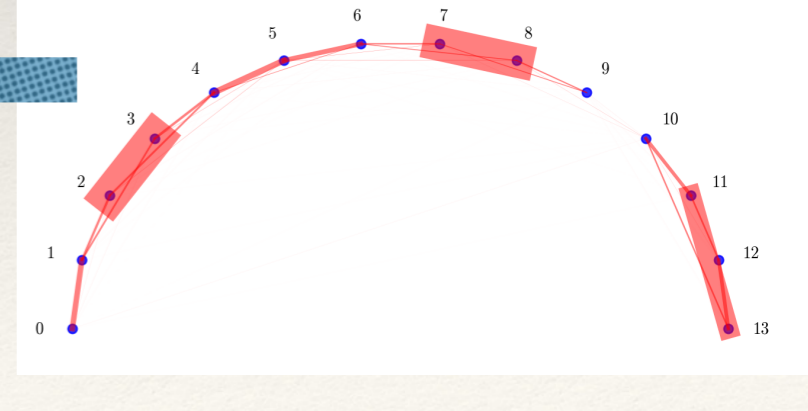
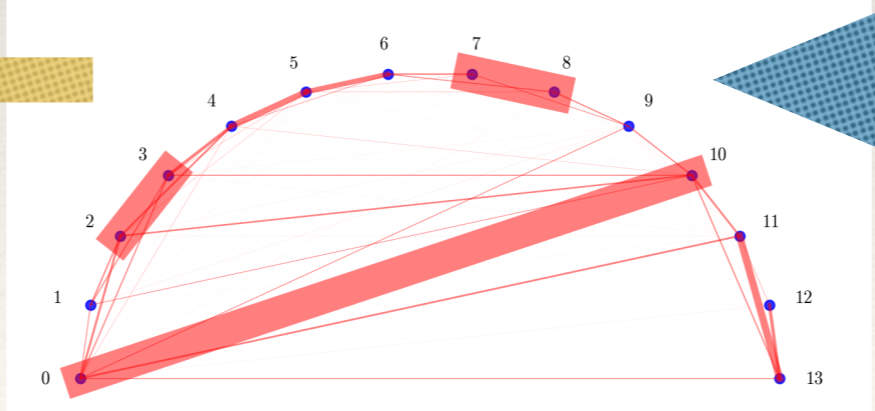
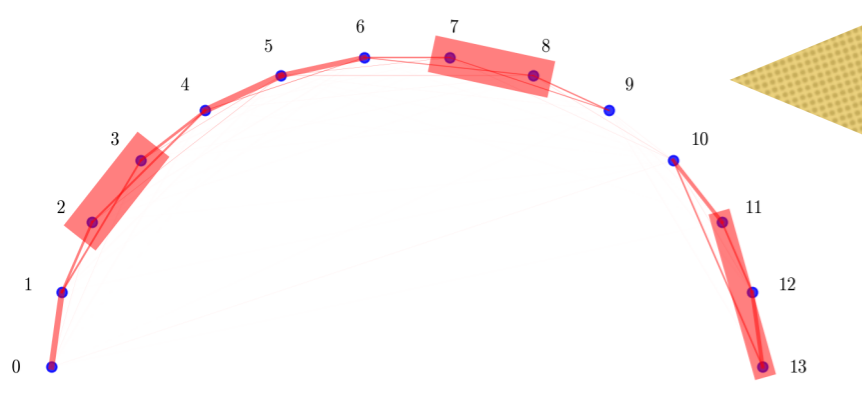
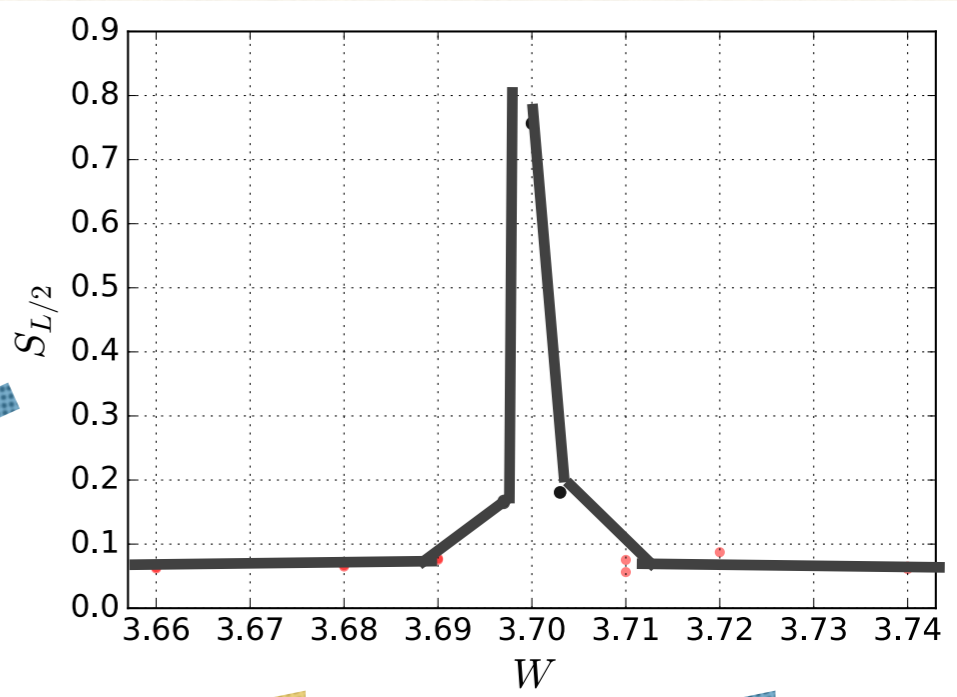
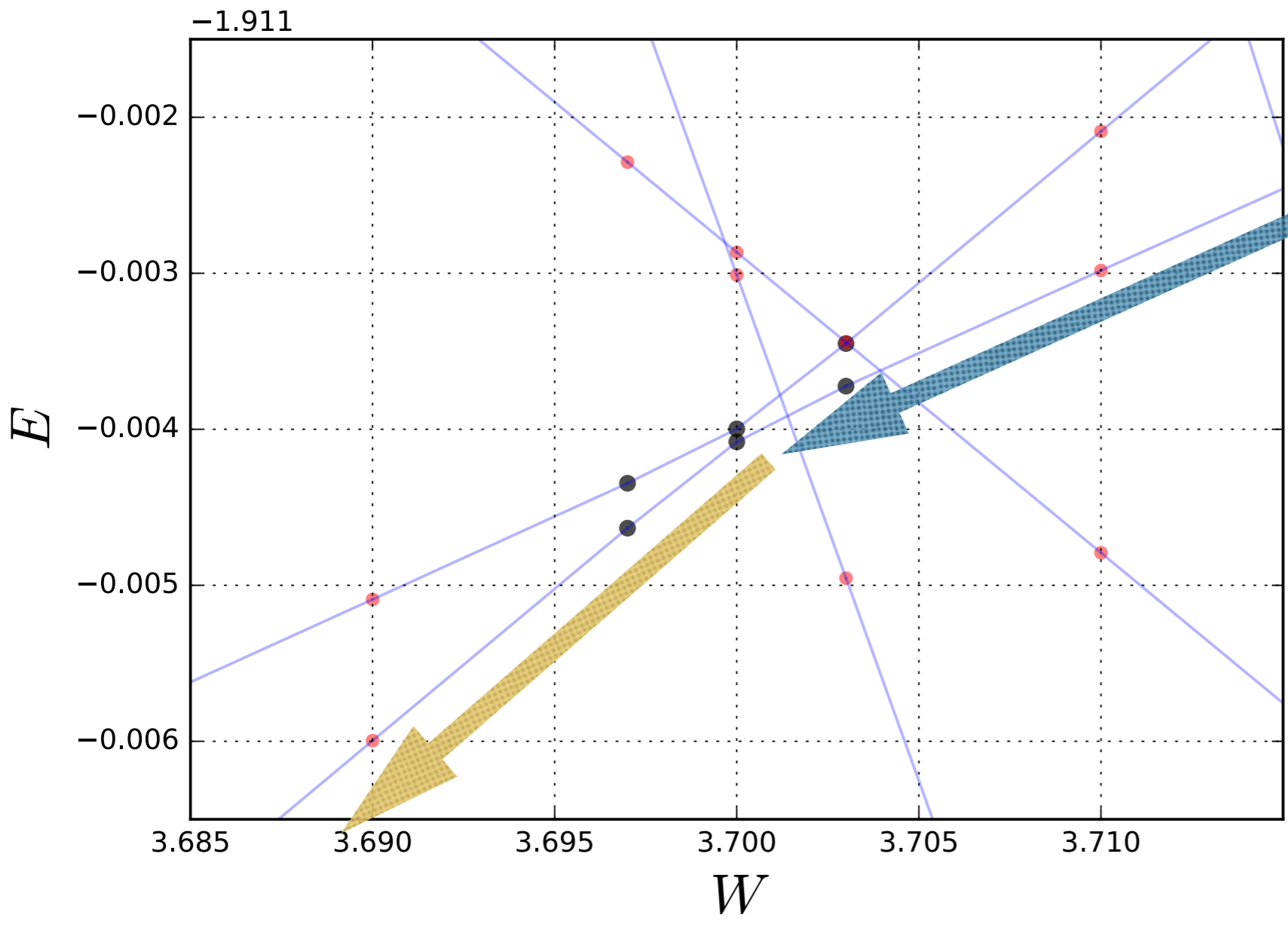
Real Space



L=14

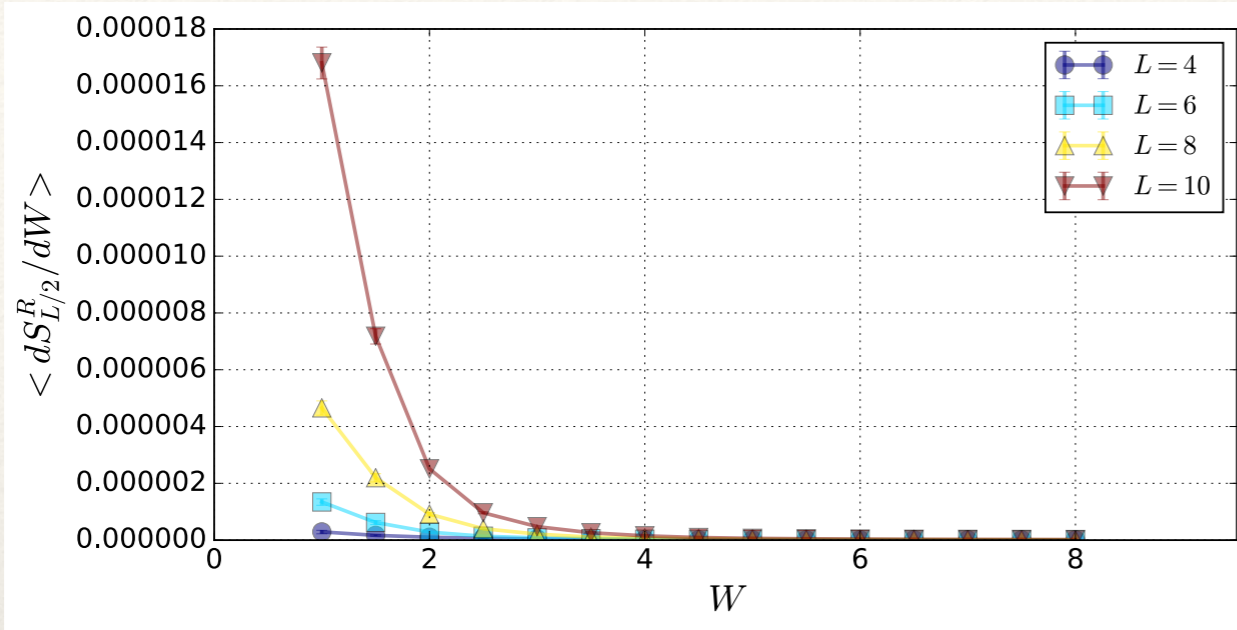


Real Space

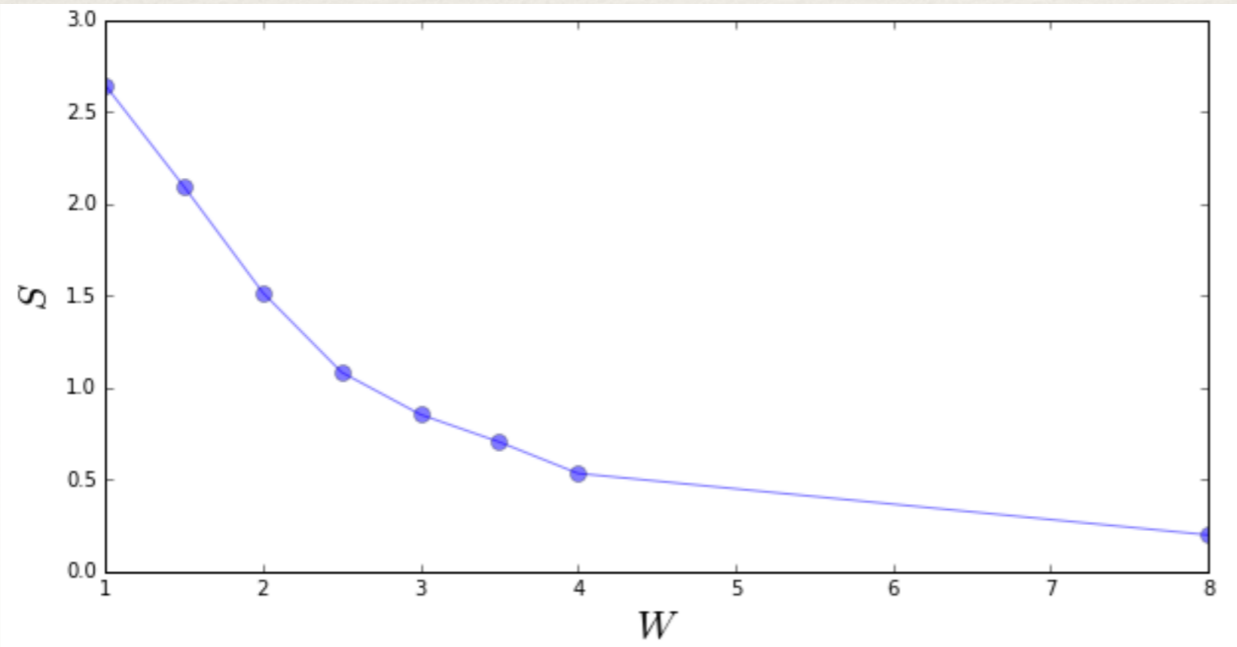


# Entanglement

Relative Space



Real Space



In order to have large entanglement you need continuous 'resonances'

This also gives you level repulsion.

$$M \equiv \langle \Psi_1(W - \delta) | H(W) | \Psi_2(W - \delta) \rangle$$

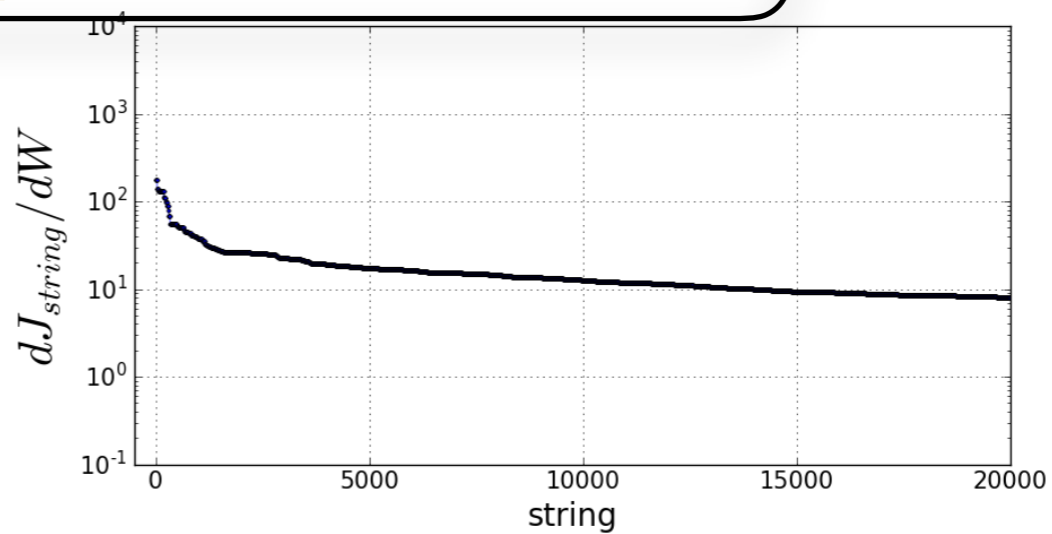
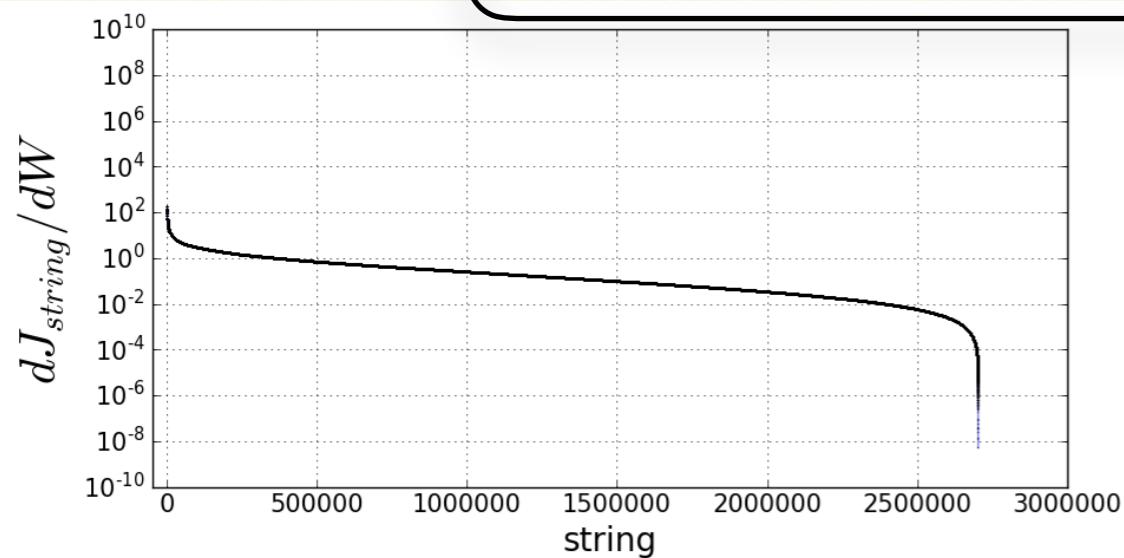
$$\begin{pmatrix} -\Delta E/2 & M \\ M & \Delta E/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Need  $\Delta E \approx M$

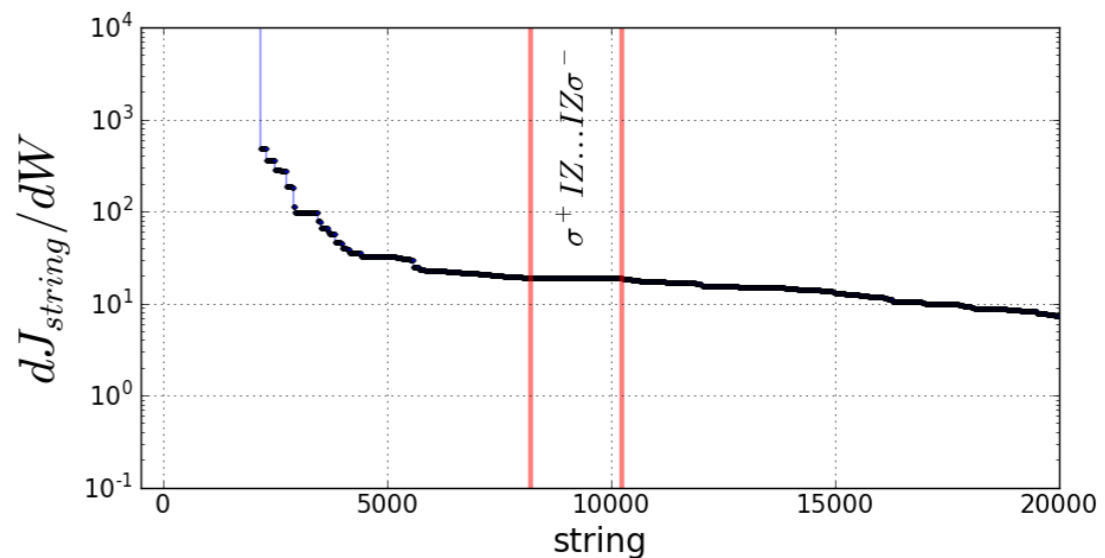
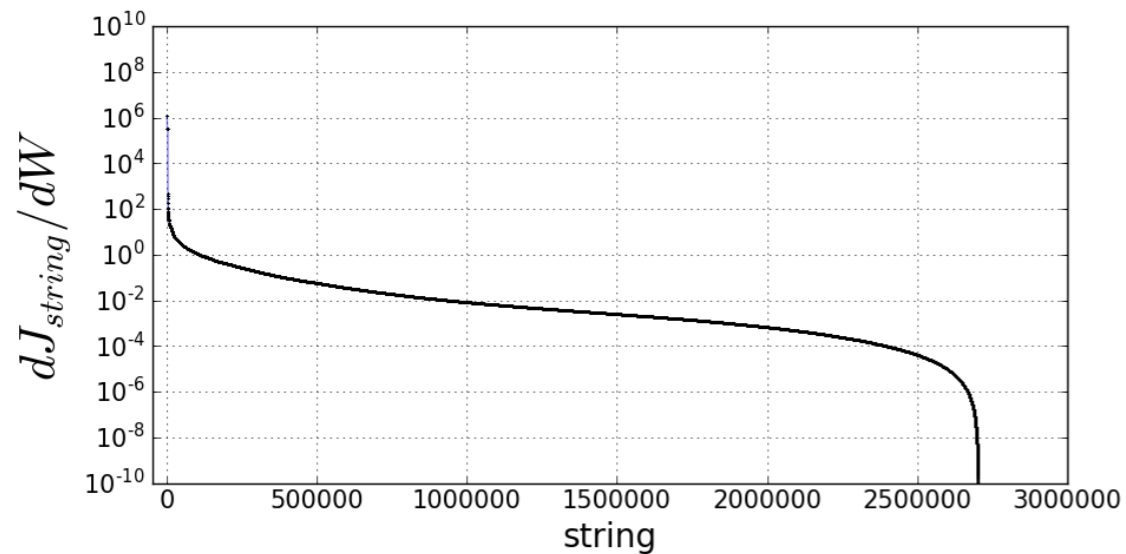


While all MBL unitaries are the same, all ergodic unitaries are different in their own special way.

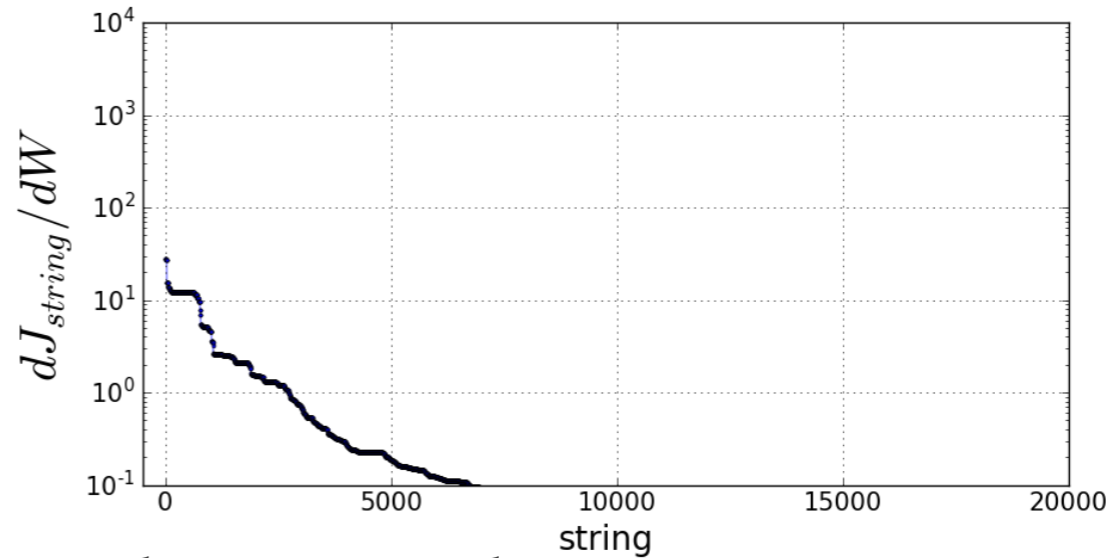
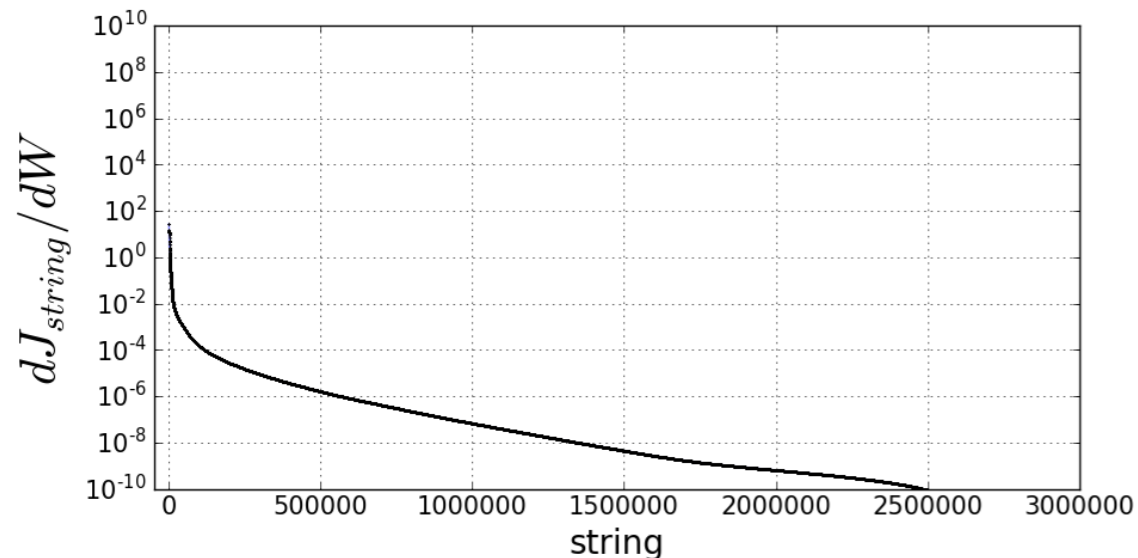
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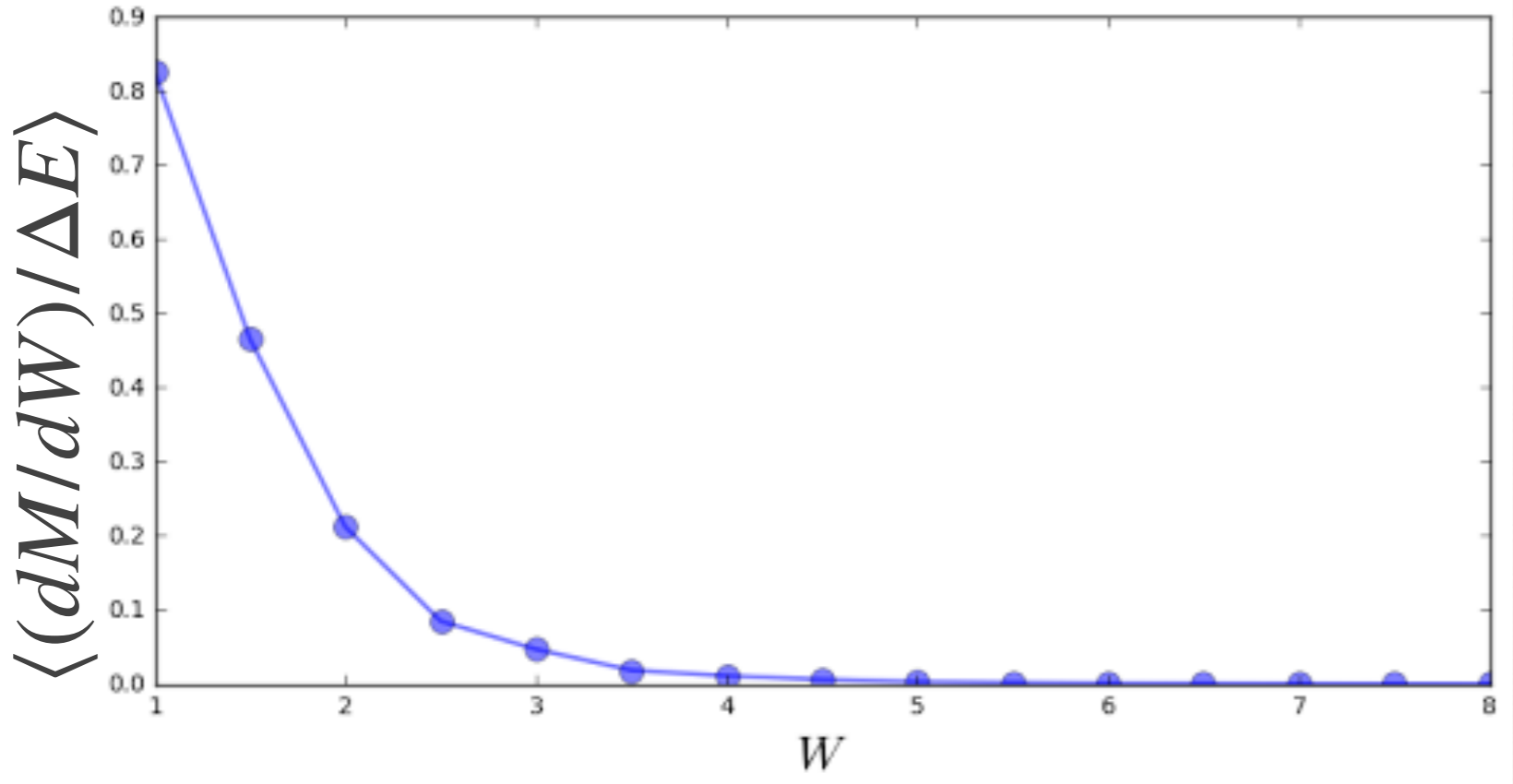
$W = 2.5$

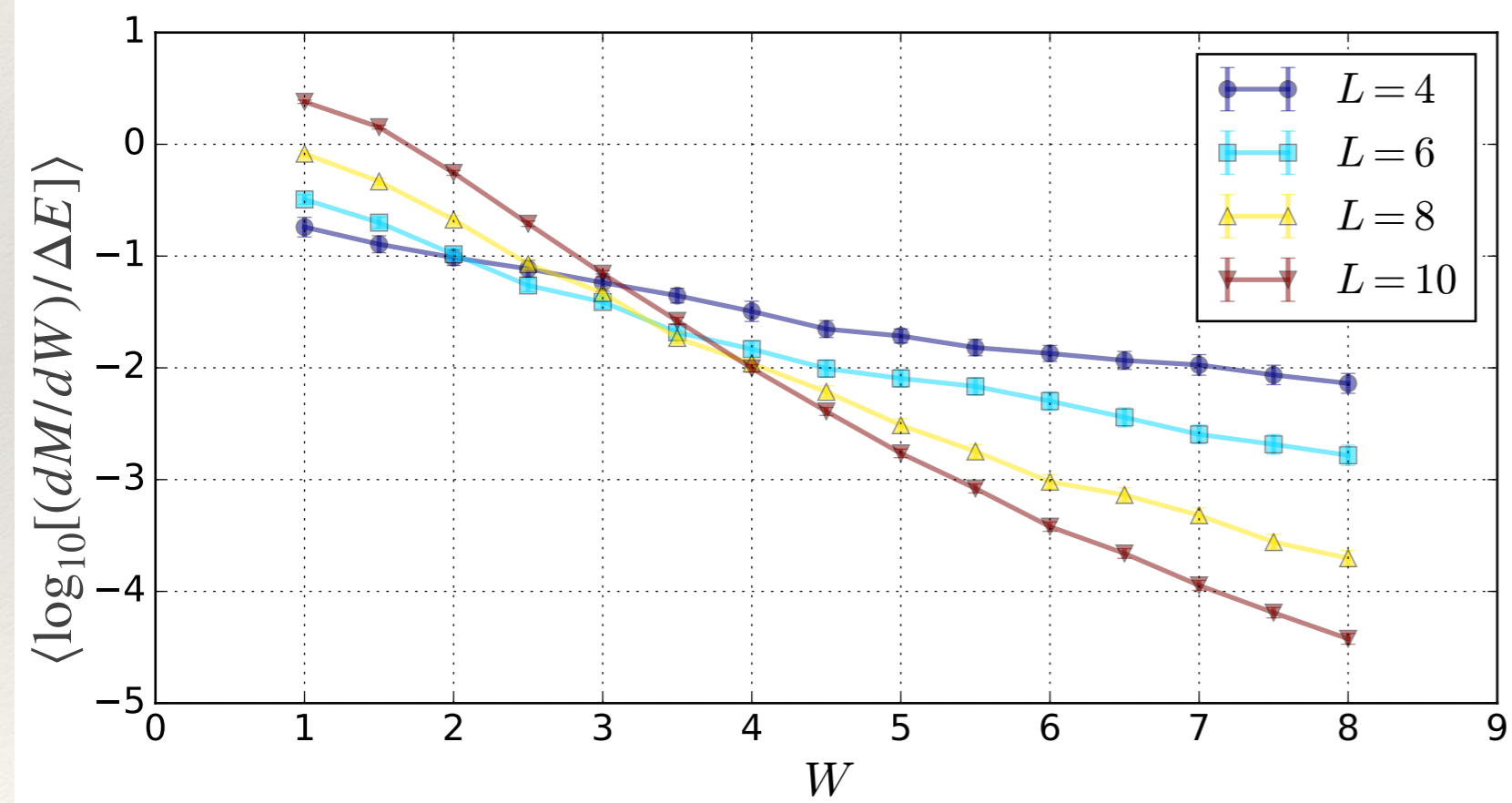
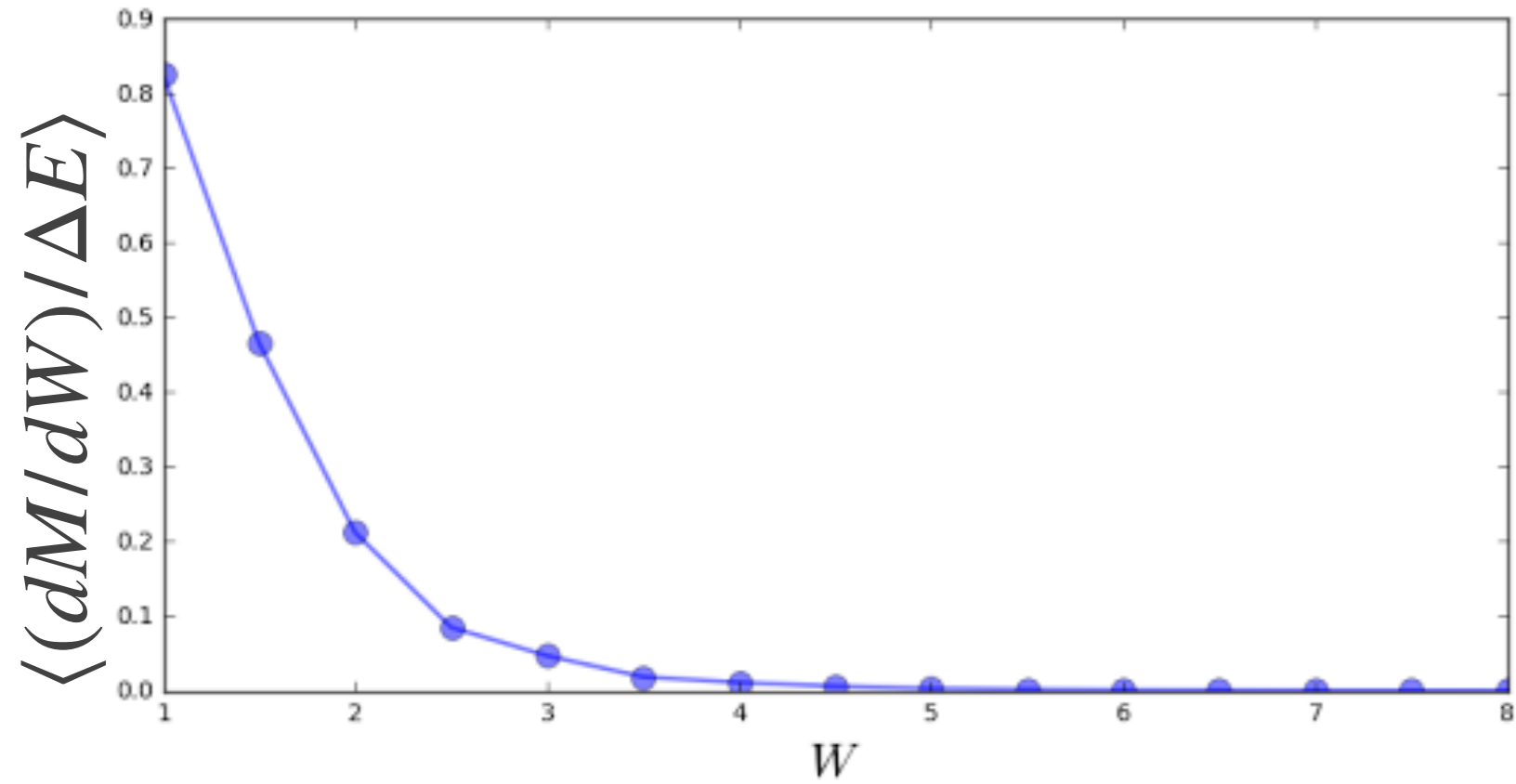


$W = 8$



Still non-trivial off-diagonal matrix elements in the ergodic phase.





# Conclusions

