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# Random matrices

(motivated by MBL)

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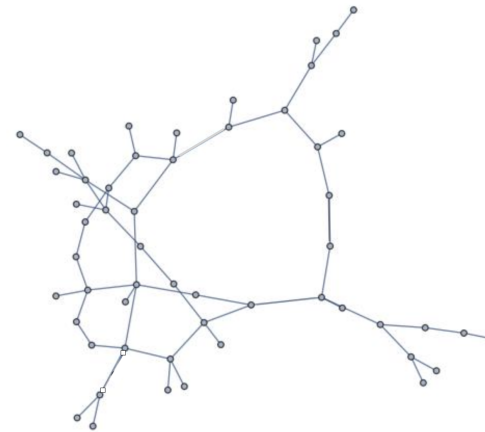
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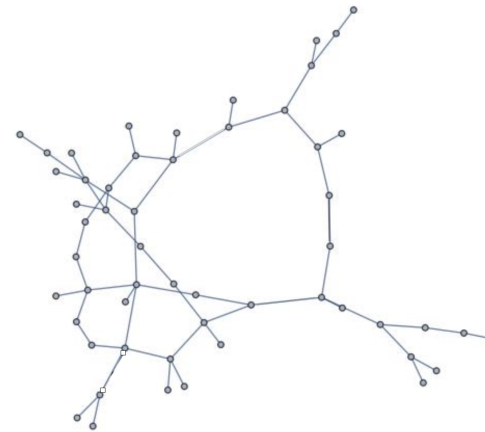
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# The RP Model

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## Sum of random matrices

Take a diagonal  $N \times N$  matrix  $\mathbb{A}$  with *i.i.d.* real elements  $a_i = \mathcal{O}(1)$  taken from a  $p_a(a_i)$

$$\mathbb{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & a_{N-1\ N-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & a_{NN} \end{pmatrix}$$

and a real symmetric  $N \times N$  matrix  $\mathbb{B}$  from the Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble

$$\mathbb{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & & \dots & b_{1N} \\ b_{12} & b_{22} & b_{23} & \dots & b_{2N} \\ & \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ b_{1\ N-1} & \dots & \dots & b_{N-1\ N-1} & b_{N-1\ N} \\ b_{1\ N} & & \dots & b_{N-1\ N} & b_{NN} \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $b_{ij} = \mathcal{O}(1)$  taken from  $p_b(b_{i \neq j}) \propto e^{-b_{ij}^2/2}$  and  $p_b(b_{ii}) \propto e^{-b_{ii}^2/4}$

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# The RP Model

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## Sum of random matrices

Add them in the form

$$\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{A} + \underbrace{\frac{\nu}{N^{\gamma/2}} \mathbb{B}}_{\gamma > 1 \text{ "perturbation"}}$$

with  $\nu$  and  $\gamma$  two parameters  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  &  $N$  the size of the square matrices

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Initial **motivation**: adapt random matrix theory to **atomic physics** studies

**Rosenzweig & Porter**, *Repulsion of Energy Levels in Complex Atomic Spectra*, Phys. Rev. 120, 1698 (1960)

More recently: **many-body localization** and the hypothetical bad metal phase

**Kravtsov, Khaymovich, Cuevas & Amini**, *A random matrix model with localization and ergodic transitions*, New. J. Phys. 17, 122002 (2015)

**Sum of random matrices & applications - free probability**

**A. Zee**, *Law of addition in random matrix theory*, Nucl. Phys. B 474, 726 (1996)

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# Density of eigenvalues

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Properties of  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{A} + \nu N^{-\gamma/2} \mathbb{B}$

## Averaged spectral density

$$\rho_N(\lambda) \equiv \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\lambda - \lambda_i) \right]_{\mathbb{H}}$$

## Limits

$\lambda_i$  the eigenvalues

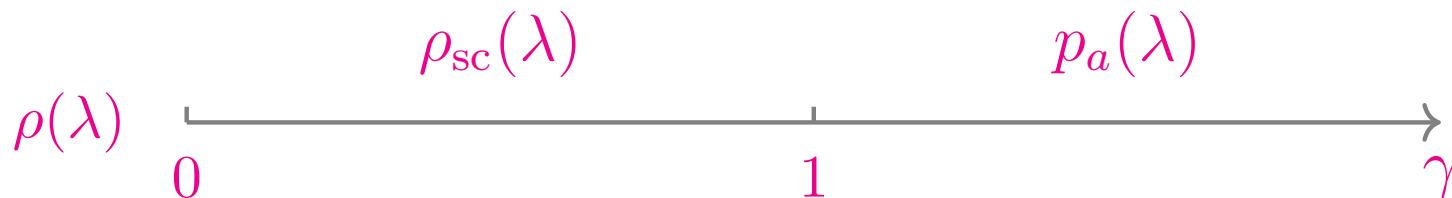
– For  $\gamma \gg 1$  the effect of  $\mathbb{B}$  is negligible and

$$\rho_N(\lambda) \text{ is just } p_a(\lambda)$$

– In the Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble (GOE),  $\gamma = 1$  and  $p_a(a_{ii}) = \delta(a_{ii})$ , only  $\mathbb{B}$  counts, and

$$\rho(\lambda) \equiv \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \rho_N(\lambda) \text{ is the semi-circle law } \rho_{\text{sc}}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{4 - \lambda^2}$$

## In general



# Level spacings

Properties of  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{A} + \nu N^{-\gamma/2} \mathbb{B}$

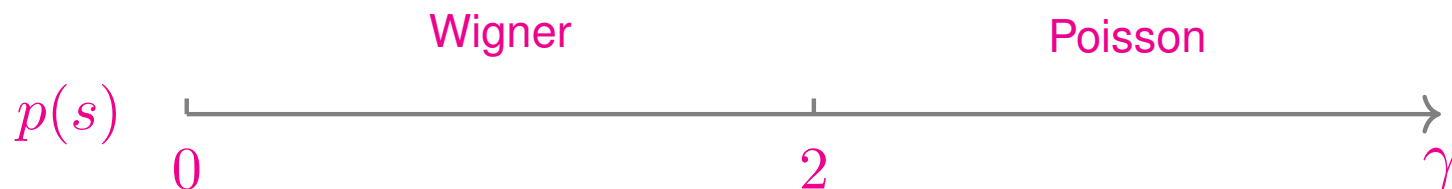
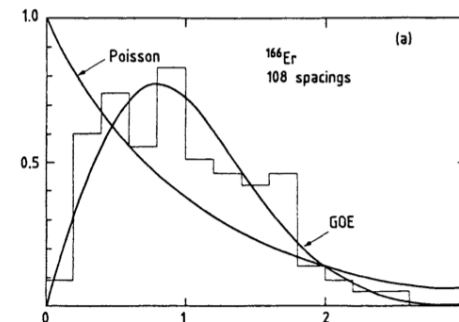
## Level statistics

The level spacings  $s_i = \lambda_{i+1} - \lambda_i$ , normalized by their mean  $\langle s_i \rangle$ , are distributed according to

### Limits

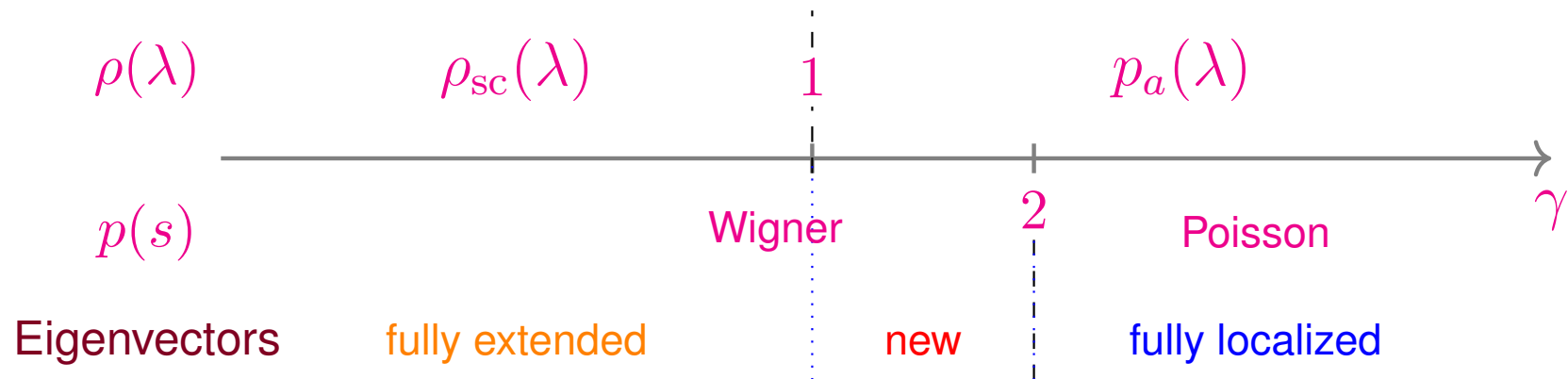
- for independent levels, Poisson's p.d.f.  $p(s) = e^{-s}$
- in the GOE case, the Wigner surmise

$$p(s) = \frac{\pi}{2} s e^{-\pi s^2 / 4}$$



# Eigenvectors

Properties of  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{A} + \nu N^{-\gamma/2} \mathbb{B}$

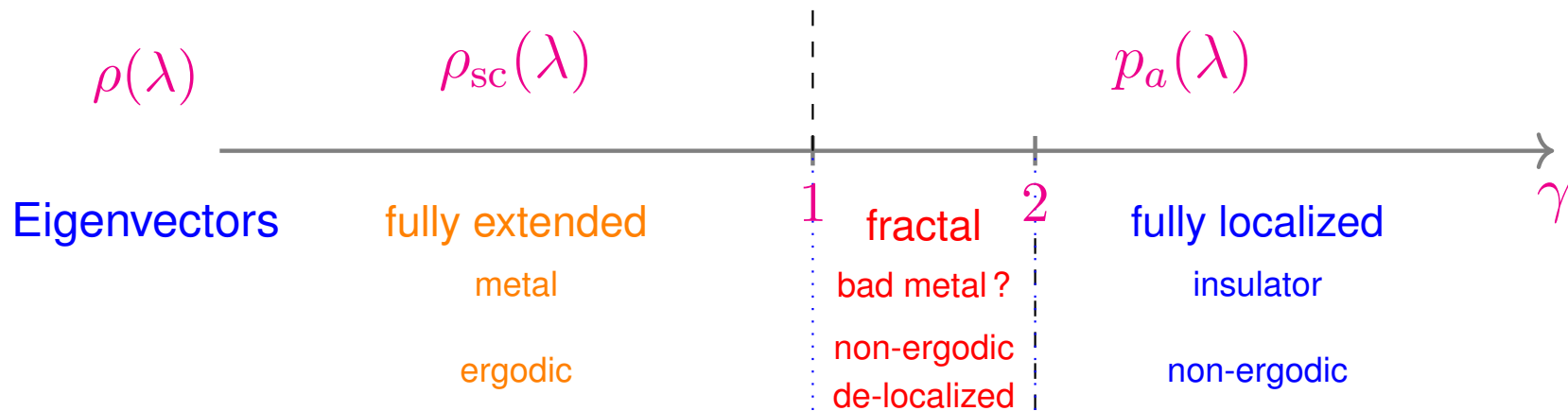


- For  $\gamma > 2$ ,  $\mathbb{H} \sim \mathbb{A}$  and the eigenvectors (wave functions)  $\psi$  are **fully localized**  
 $n = O(1)$  non-zero component
- For  $\gamma < 1$ ,  $\mathbb{H} \sim \nu N^{-\gamma/2} \mathbb{B}$  and the eigenvectors  $\psi$  are **fully extended**  
 $n = O(N)$  non-zero components
- For  $1 < \gamma < 2$ , the eigenvectors  $\psi$  are **localized over a fractal number of sites**  
 $1 \ll n = O(N^{2-\gamma}) \ll N$  non-zero components

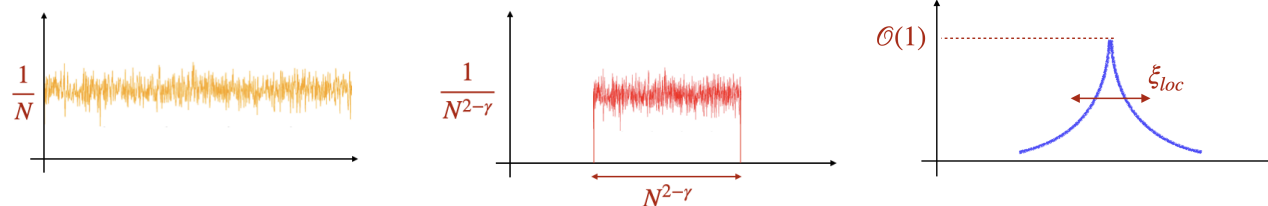


# Eigenvectors

Properties of  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{A} + \nu N^{-\gamma/2} \mathbb{B}$



$$|\psi_i^{(\alpha)}|^2$$



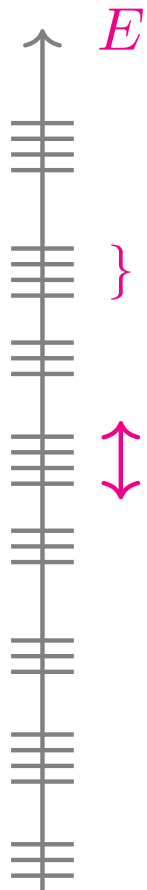
Horizontal axis: "site"  $i$  index ordered according to  $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_N$

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de Tomasi, Amini, Bera, Khaymovich & Kravtsov, *Survival probability in Generalized Rosenzweig-Porter random matrix ensemble*, SciPost Phys. 6, 014 (2019)  $R(t) \equiv [|\langle \psi(t) | \psi(0) \rangle|^2]_{\mathbb{H}} \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} N^{-D_f}$

# Picture

## Mini-bands and the fractal dimension for $1 < \gamma < 2$



Perturbation theory  $\Rightarrow \lambda_i \sim a_i + 4\zeta \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j(\neq i)} \frac{b_{ij}^2}{a_i - a_j}$

Average spreading of the eigenvalues  $\Rightarrow$  **Thouless energy**

$$E_T \equiv \left[ |\lambda_i - a_i| \right]_{\mathbb{H}} \sim \zeta \equiv (\nu^2/4) N^{1-\gamma} \gg 1/N$$



Thouless energy  $E_T$

width of the **mini-bands** with GOE statistics

The number of eigenvectors “hybridized” by the perturbation

$$\# \sim \frac{E_T}{(N\rho(\lambda))^{-1}} \sim N^{D_f} \quad \text{with} \quad \boxed{D_f = 2 - \gamma < 1}$$

**support of the eigenvectors** of the perturbed matrix  $\mathbb{H}$

But no evidence for **multifractality** in this model

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# Methods & our results

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## Replica trick

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_N(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{Im} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\lambda - \lambda_i - i\eta} \right]_{\mathbb{H}} && \text{(Dirac } \delta \text{ Representation)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{Im} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \left[ \ln \mathcal{Z}(\lambda - i\eta) \right]_{\mathbb{H}}\end{aligned}$$

with the partition function  $\mathcal{Z}(z) = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{N/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} d^N r e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{r}^T (z\mathbb{I} - \mathbb{H}) \mathbf{r}}$

Using replicas  $[\ln \mathcal{Z}]_{\mathbb{H}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n} \ln [\mathcal{Z}^n]_{\mathbb{H}}$  & saddle-point for  $N \rightarrow \infty$

- usual replica symmetric Ansatz on  $N Q_{ab} = \langle \mathbf{r}^a \cdot \mathbf{r}^b \rangle$  (difficult) or
- **rotationally invariant Ansatz** in replica space for the density (simpler !)

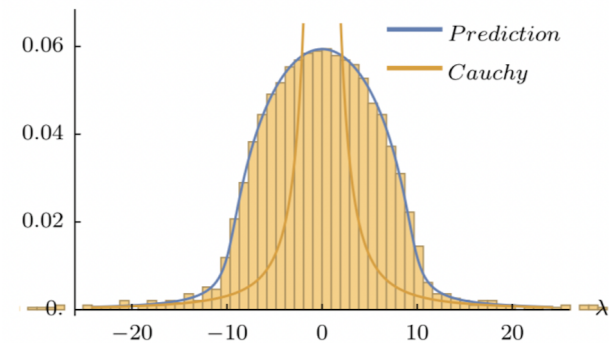
$$\mu(\vec{r}) = \mu(r^1, \dots, r^a) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \prod_{a=1}^n \delta(r^a - r_i^a) = \bar{\mu}(r)$$

# The Zee formula

## The averaged density of eigenvalues

After some lengthy but simple steps

$$\rho_N(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{\pi\zeta} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{Re} C(\lambda - i\eta)$$
$$C(\lambda) = i\zeta G_a(\lambda + 2i C(\lambda))$$



Solution for Cauchy  $p_a$

$$N = 2000, \gamma = 1.1$$

$$\nu = 10, \zeta = 11.7$$

$G_a(z) = \operatorname{Tr}(\mathbb{A} - z\mathbb{I})^{-1}$  the global resolvent of  $\mathbb{A}$

and  $\zeta = \frac{\nu^2}{4} N^{1-\gamma}$

Evaluate numerically, leading finite size corrections captured &

approximate analytic expression for  $\rho_N(\lambda)$  in the limit  $\zeta \ll 1$  and any  $p_a$

Generalization of the **Zee formula** in *Law of addition in random matrix theory*, Nucl. Phys. B 474, 726 (1996)

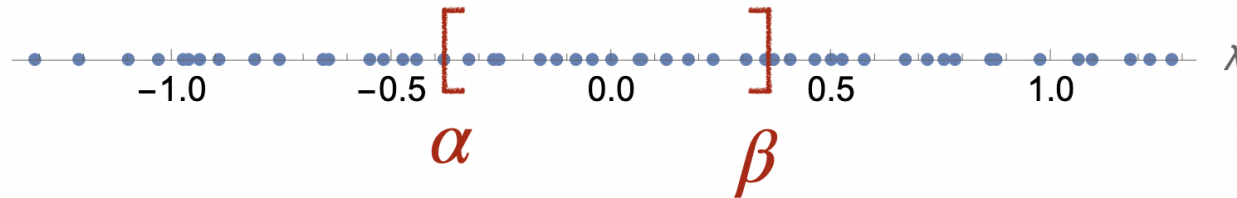
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# Beyond $\rho(\lambda)$ and $p(s)$

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## The level compressibility



$I_N(\alpha, \beta) = N \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} d\lambda \rho_N(\lambda)$  counts how many eigenvalues fall in the interval

Large deviation function  $\mathcal{F}_{[-E, E]}(s) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \ln [e^{-s I_N(-E, E)}]_{\mathbb{H}}$  can be

calculated with the **replica method** and then get the moments  $[I^k(-E, E)]_{\mathbb{H}}^c$

and the **level compressibility**

$$\chi(E) = \frac{[I^2(-E, E)]_{\mathbb{H}}^c}{[I(-E, E)]_{\mathbb{H}}}$$

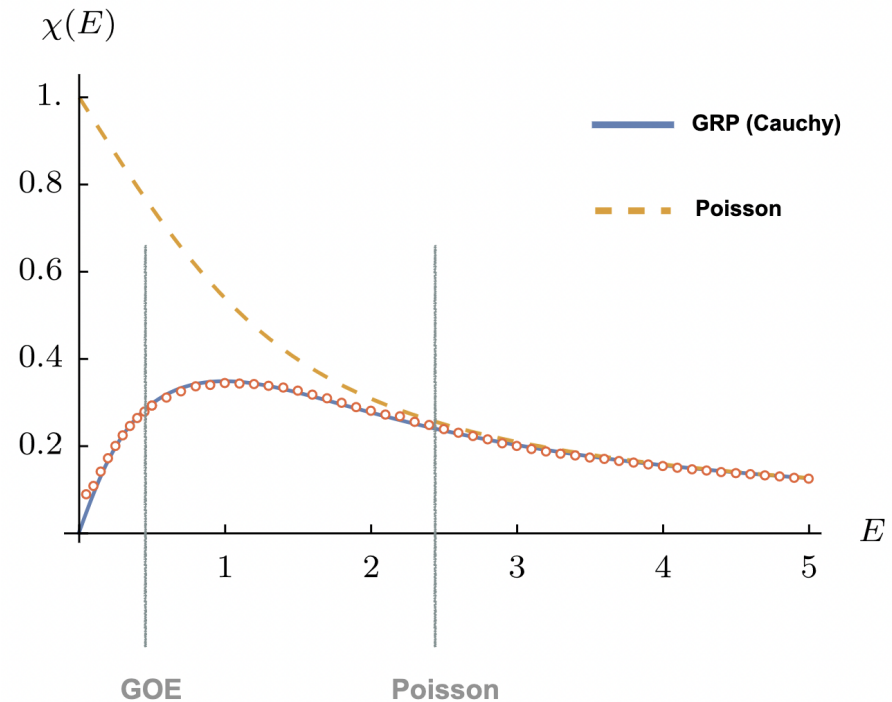
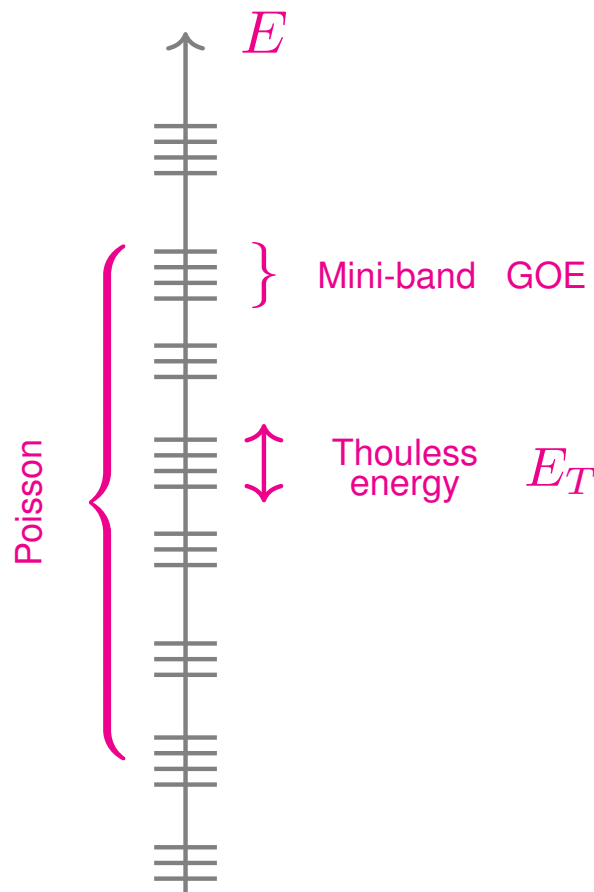
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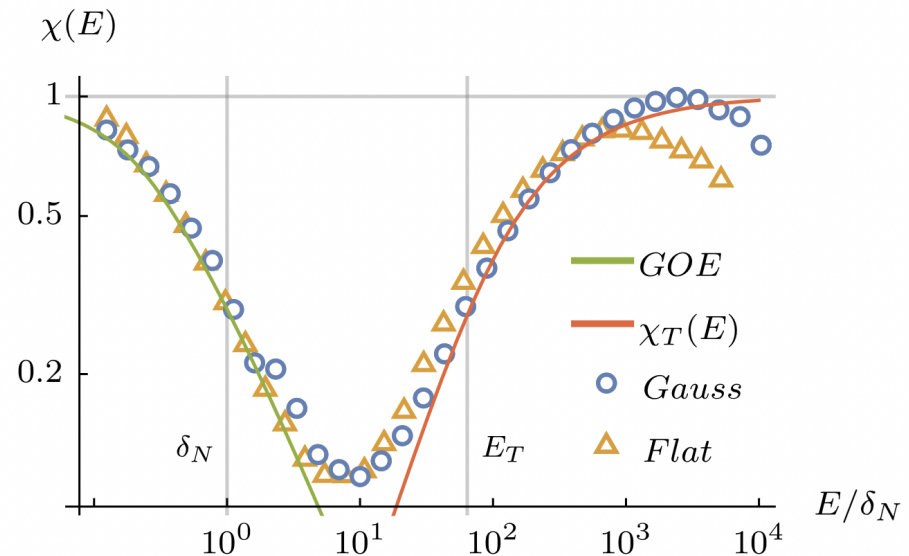
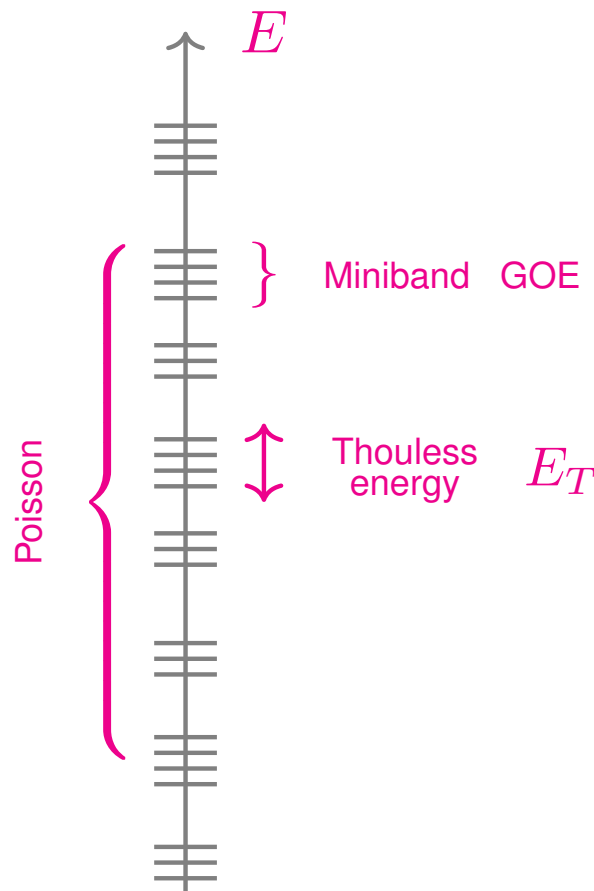
Mini-bands in the intermediate  $1 < \gamma < 2$  regime



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Scaling limit  $y = \frac{1}{2\pi p_a(0)} \frac{E}{E_T}$

$$\chi_T(E) = \frac{1}{\pi y} [2y \arctan y - \ln(1 + y^2)]$$

Universal - independent of  $p_a$

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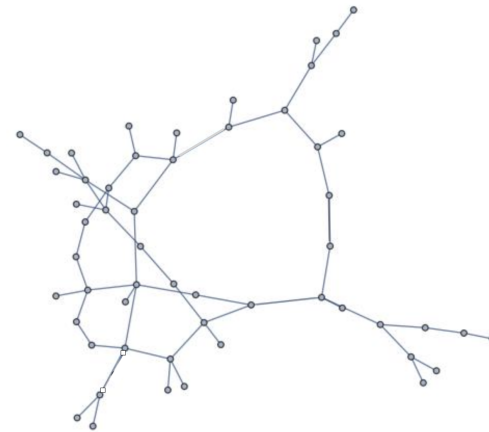
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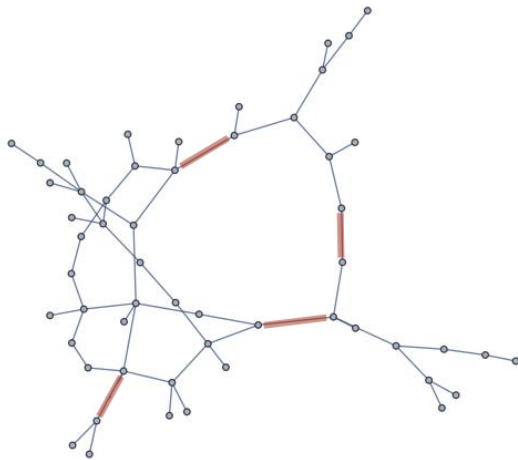
# Weighted random graph

## Erdős-Rényi

Random graph

Hopping

$$H_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p}} \sigma_{ij} h_{ij} \quad \sigma_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{prob} = p/N \\ 0 & \text{prob} = 1 - p/N \end{cases} \quad h_{ij} \text{ GOE}$$



A sketch with  $p = 4$

$p \geq 1$ : a giant component with  $\tilde{N} \propto N$  sites and  $O(N)$  finite size clusters.

Focus on the **giant component** only  $\tilde{p} \propto p$

Note that the **red links** can have  $h_{ij} \sim 0$

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# Eigenvectors

## Inverse participation ratios & fractal dimensions

Take the  $\alpha$ th eigenvector  $\psi_i^{(\alpha)}$  with  $i = 1, \dots, N$  at a given energy  $E$  and calculate the disorder average  $\Rightarrow$  Fractal dimensions  $D_q$

$$I_q = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N |\psi_i^{(\alpha)}|^{2q} \right]_{\mathbb{H}} \propto N^{(1-q)D_q} \quad (\text{IPR})$$

$$D_q = 1 \quad \forall q$$

Extended

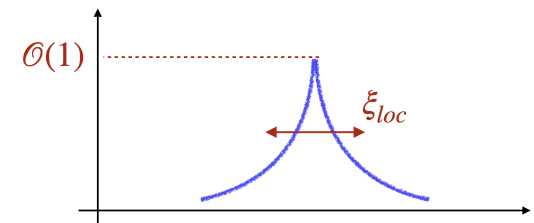
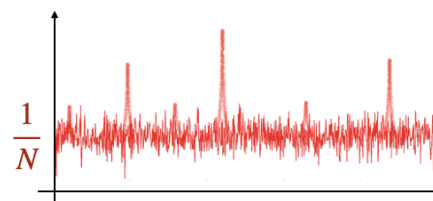
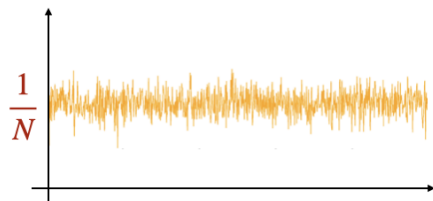
$$D_q \neq 1, 0$$

Delocalized  
but non-ergodic

$$D_q = 0 \quad \forall q$$

Localized

$$|\psi_i^{(\alpha)}|^2$$



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# Method & our results

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## Cavity

The trace of the **resolvent matrix**  $\mathbb{G}(z) = (\mathbb{H} - z\mathbb{I}_N)^{-1}$

$$G(z) \equiv \text{Tr } \mathbb{G}(z) = \sum_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i - z)^{-1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho_N(E)$$

The **cavity Green's function** is the diagonal element on node  $i$  of the resolvent of the Hamiltonian  $\mathbb{H}^{(j)}$  with its neighbor  $j$  removed

$$G_{i \rightarrow j}(z) = (\mathbb{H}^{(j)} - z\mathbb{I}_{N-1})_{ii}^{-1} \quad z = E + i\eta$$

It satisfies the recursion relation

$$G_{i \rightarrow j}(z) = \left( H_{ii} - z - \sum_{m \in \partial i \setminus j} H_{mi}^2 G_{m \rightarrow i}(z) \right)^{-1}$$

and the solution is used as an estimate of the diagonal elements  $G_{ii}(z)$

which yield the IPR

$$I_q(E) \propto \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \eta^{q-1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i |G_{ii}(z)|^q$$

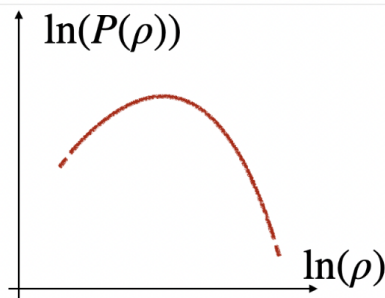
# Local density of states

## Definition & properties

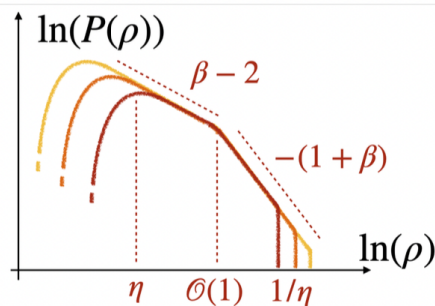
$$\rho_i(E) \equiv \sum_{\alpha} |\psi_i^{(\alpha)}|^2 \delta(E - \lambda_{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Im} G_{ii}(z)$$

$$P(\rho, z) = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\rho - \pi^{-1} \text{Im} G_{ii}(z)) \right]_{\mathbb{H}}$$

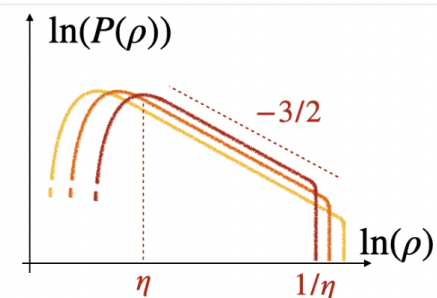
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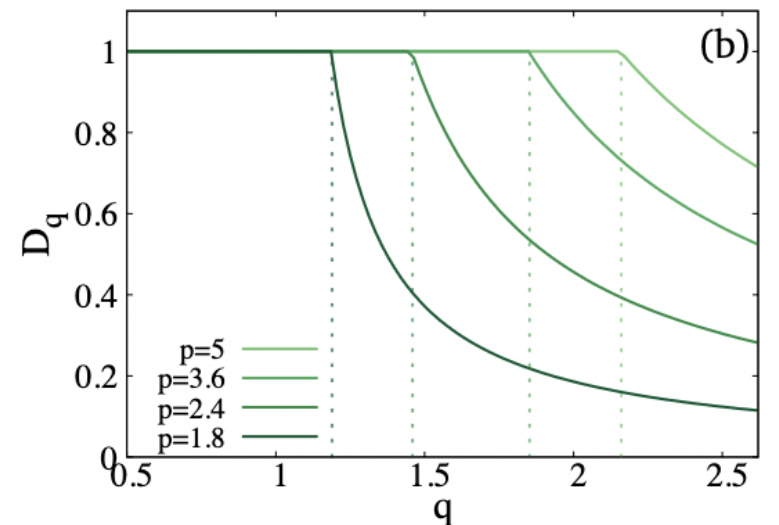
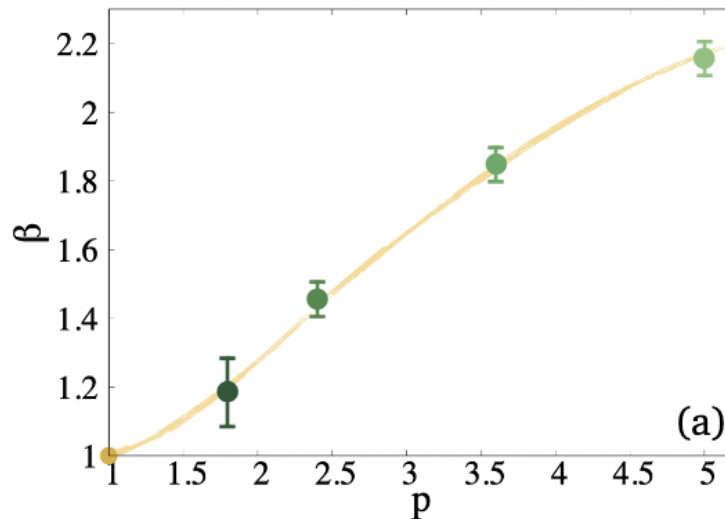


Symmetry  $P(\rho) = \rho^{-3} P(1/\rho)$  respected

# Fractal dimensions

In the delocalized non-ergodic regime

$$P(\rho) \sim \rho^{-(1+\beta)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad D_q = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta - 1}{q - 1} & q \geq \beta \\ 1 & q < \beta \end{cases}$$



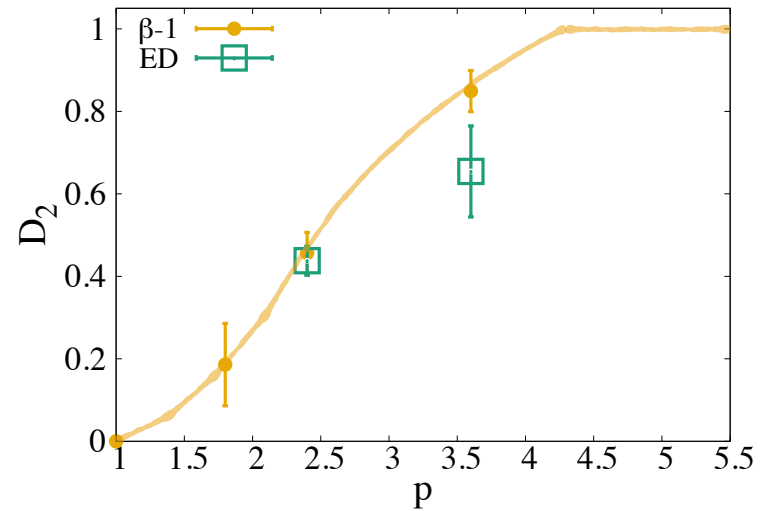
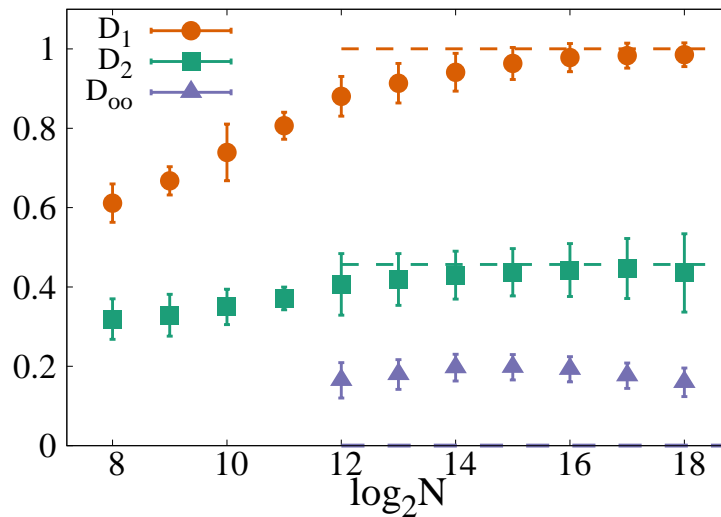
As  $p$  increases the graph becomes more and more connected,  $\beta$  increases, and the GOE **fully extended** behavior is approached with  $D_q \rightarrow 1$  for larger and larger  $q$

# Fractal dimension

## Cavity method vs. exact diagonalization

Cavity method vs. exact diagonalization

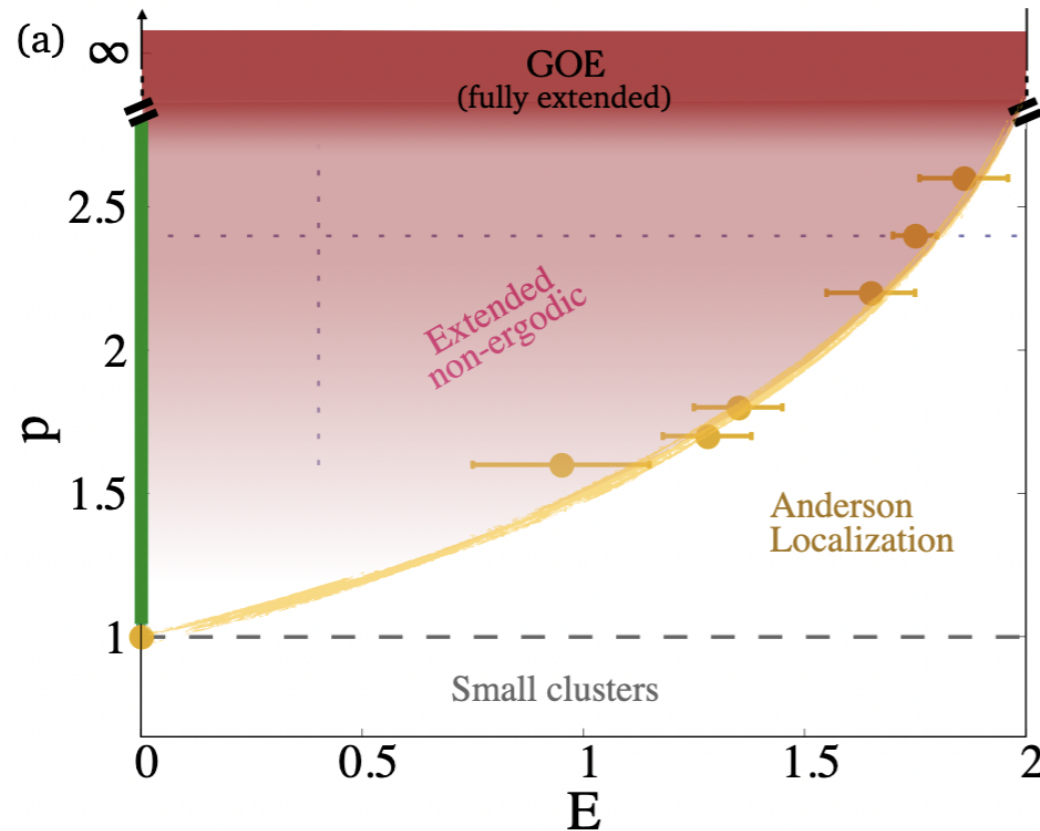
Horizontal dashed line - data points



$$p = 2.4, E = 0.4, \beta \sim 1.5$$

# Weighted random graph

## The phase diagram



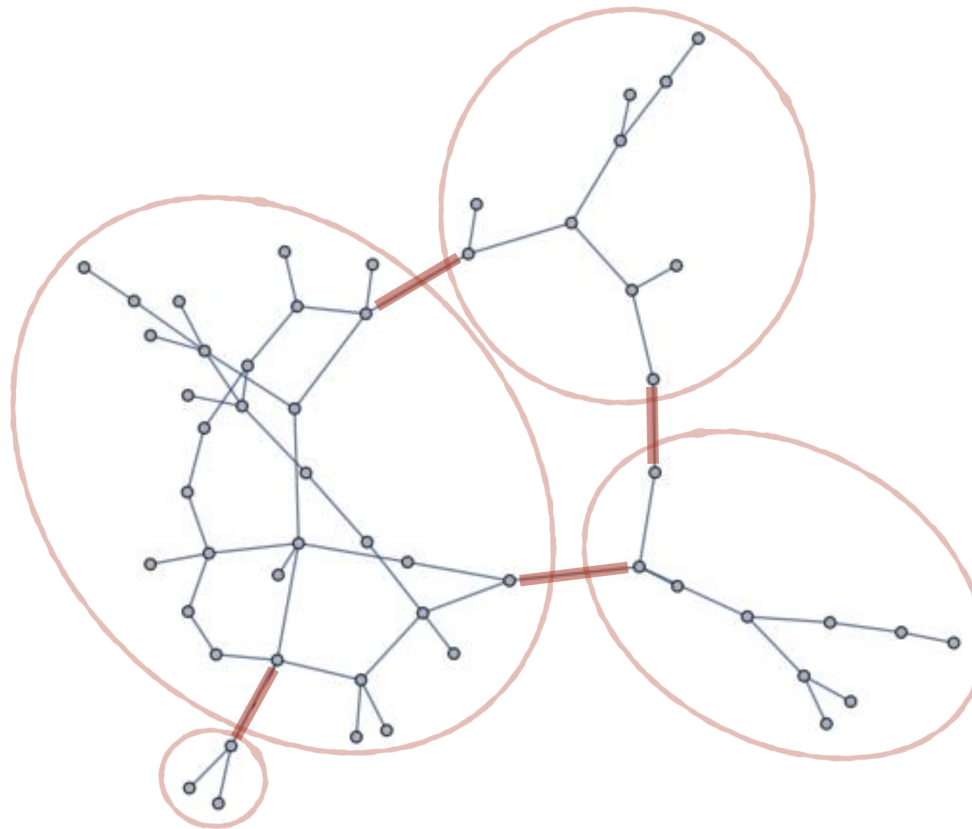
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# Multifractal phase

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## Mechanism



**Graph heterogeneity  $\Rightarrow$   
effective fragmentation due to very weak links**

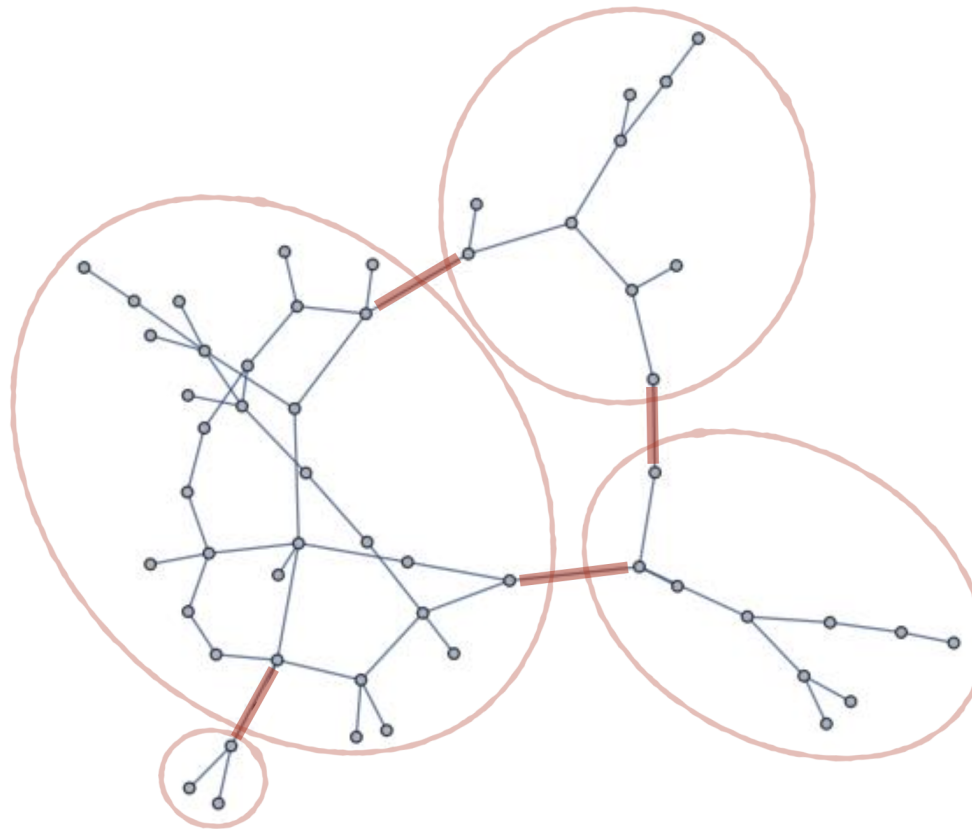


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# Multifractal phase

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## Robustness



**Re-wiring  $\Rightarrow$  eliminate rooted trees**

**Re-weighting  $\Rightarrow$  re-draw  $h_{ij} < \nu$  into  $h_{ij} > \nu$**

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Properties

$$\rho(\lambda) = p_a(\lambda)$$

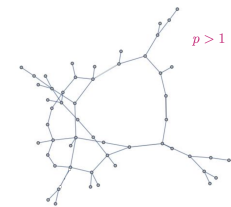
$$p(s) \propto s e^{-\pi s^2/4}$$

$$|\psi_i^{(\alpha)}|^2 \propto N^{D_2}$$

$$D_2 = \gamma - 2$$

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$$\left[ |\psi_i^{(\alpha)}|^{2q} \right]_{\mathbb{H}} \propto N^{(1-q)D_q}$$

$$D_q = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta-1}{q-1} & q \geq \beta(p, E) \\ 1 & q < \beta(p, E) \end{cases}$$

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# Multifractal phase

## Return probability & wave function overlap

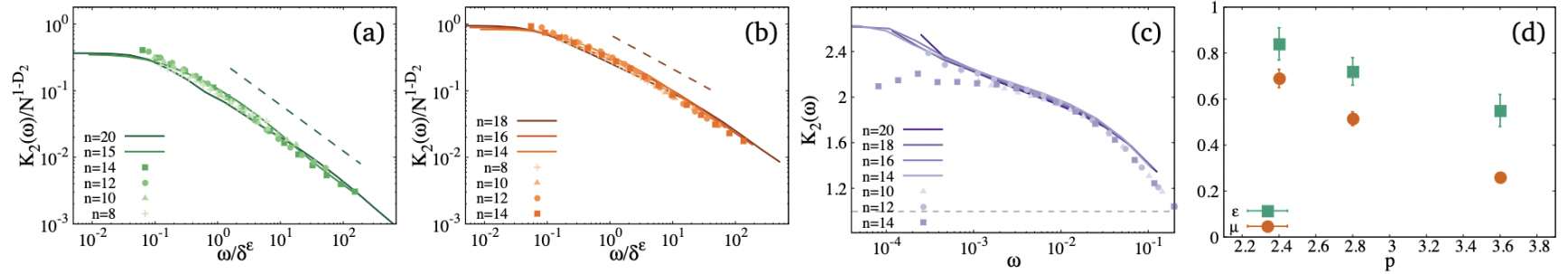


FIG. 10. Overlap correlation function  $K_2(\omega; E)$ , see Eq. (36), for  $E = 0.4$  and  $p = 2.4$  (a),  $p = 2.8$  (b), and  $p = 5$  (c). In panels (a) and (b) the energy separation  $\omega$  is rescaled by the Thouless energy  $\delta^\epsilon$  — with a  $p$ -dependent exponent  $\epsilon \in [0, 1]$  — and the y-axis is rescaled by  $N^{1-D_2}$  — where  $D_2 = \beta - 1$ , with  $\beta$  given in Fig. 6(a). Continuous lines correspond to the results obtained by solving the self-consistent cavity equations, while symbols show the exact diagonalization results. The dashed lines in panels (a) and (b) represent the power-law decay of correlations for  $\omega \gg \delta^\epsilon$  as  $K_2(\omega) \propto (\omega/\delta^\epsilon)^{-\mu}$ , with a  $p$ -dependent exponent  $\mu$ . The horizontal gray line in panel (c) corresponds to the Wigner-Dyson behavior for GOE matrices,  $K_2(\omega) = 1$ . In panel (d) we plot our numerical estimates for the exponents  $\epsilon$  (squares) and  $\mu$  (circles) varying the average degree  $p$ , showing that a standard fully-delocalized behavior (with  $\epsilon, \mu \rightarrow 0$ ) is progressively reached upon increasing  $p$ .

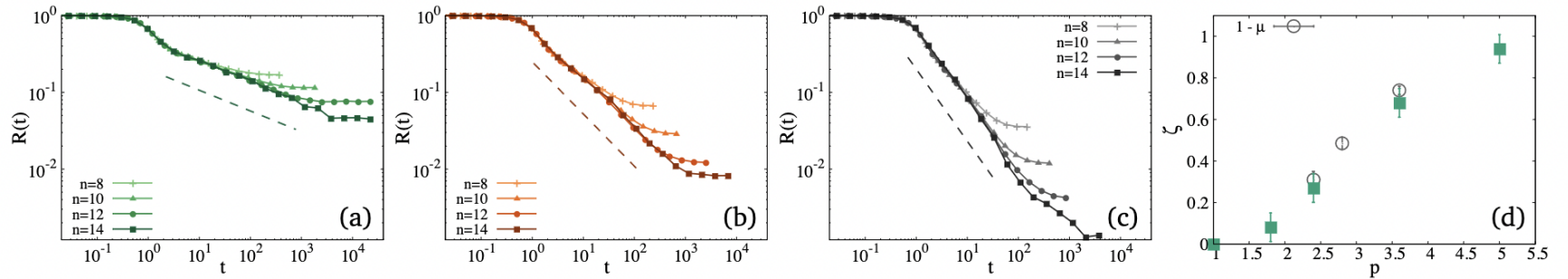


FIG. 12. Return probability, see Eq. (41), as a function of time, for  $p = 2.4$  (a),  $p = 3.6$  (b), and  $p = 5$  (c). The dashed lines show the power-law decay of the return probability as  $R(t) \propto t^{-\zeta}$ . In panel (d) we plot the exponent  $\zeta$  upon varying the average degree  $p$ , showing that its value is very close to  $\zeta \simeq 1 - \mu$  within our numerical accuracy,  $\mu$  being the exponent that describes the power-law decay of the overlap correlation function  $K_2(\omega)$  — see Figs. 10(a–b).

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# Results

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## The averaged density of eigenvalues

After some lengthy but simple steps we obtain

$$\rho(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{\pi\zeta} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{Re} C(\lambda - i\eta)$$
$$C(\lambda) = i\zeta G_a(\lambda + 2i C(\lambda))$$

with  $G_a$  the global resolvent of  $\mathbb{A}$  and  $\zeta = \frac{\nu^2}{4N\gamma-1}$

The latter eq. can be solved exactly for some  $p_a$ , e.g. Cauchy.

Leading finite size corrections captured

Approximate  $\rho_N(\lambda)$  for  $\zeta \ll 1$  and any  $p_a$

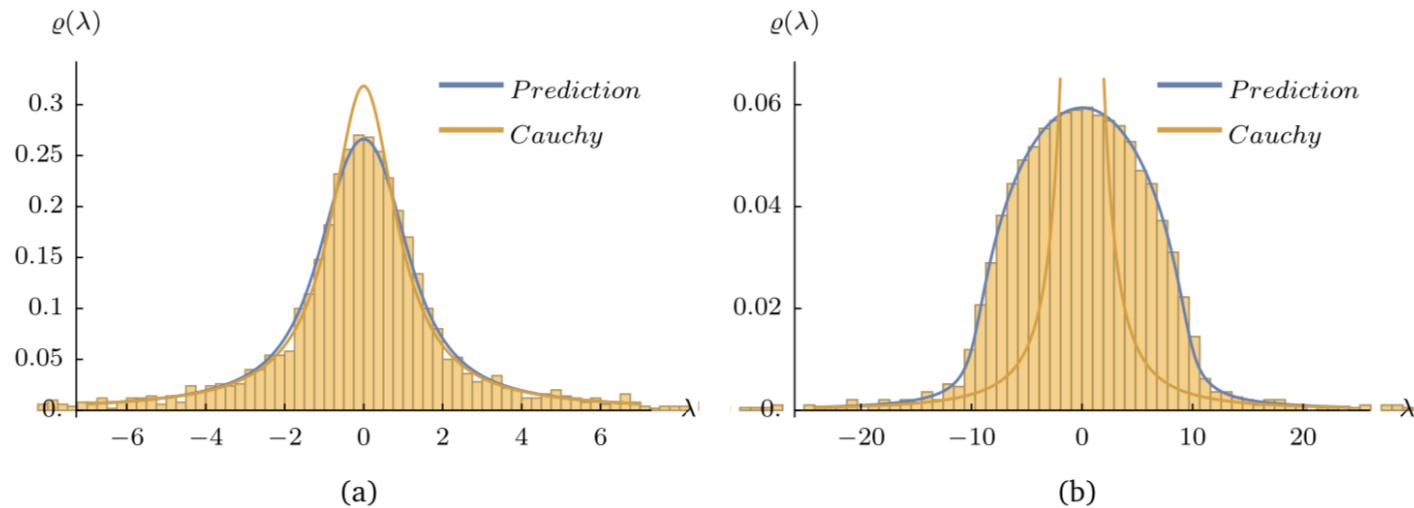
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# Results

## The averaged density of eigenvalues



$$\zeta = 0.12$$
$$\nu = 1$$

$$\zeta = 11.7$$
$$\nu = 10$$

$$\zeta = \frac{\nu^2}{4N\gamma-1}$$

$$N = 2000, \gamma = 1.1$$

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# Results

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## The level compressibility

The # of eigenvalues in the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  is the random variable

$$I(\alpha, \beta) = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} d\lambda' \rho(\lambda')$$

The level compressibility is defined as

$$\chi(\lambda) = \frac{\kappa_2(\lambda)}{\kappa_1(\lambda)} = \frac{[I^2(-\lambda, \lambda)]_{\mathbb{H}} - [I(-\lambda, \lambda)]_{\mathbb{H}}^2}{[I(-\lambda, \lambda)]_{\mathbb{H}}}$$

### Limits

- Pure Poisson, typical level spacing  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ ;  $\chi(\lambda) \sim 1$  for small  $\lambda$  and  $\chi(\lambda) \sim 0$  for large  $\lambda$
- Pure GOE ( $\Delta = 0$ ),  $\chi(\lambda \gg N^{-1/2-\gamma/2}) \rightarrow 0$  and  $\chi(\lambda \ll N^{-1/2-\gamma/2}) \rightarrow 1$

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# Results

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## The level compressibility

We calculated the cumulant generating function

$$\mathcal{F}_\lambda(s) = \frac{1}{N} \ln[e^{-sI(-\lambda, \lambda)}]_{\mathbb{H}}$$

In the interesting regime  $1 < \gamma < 2$  we found

- $\chi(\lambda) \sim 0$  for  $\lambda \ll E_T$  within mini-bands (like not-too-small  $\lambda$  GOE)
- $\chi(\lambda) \sim 1$  for  $\lambda \gg E_T$  across mini-bands (like small  $\lambda$  Poisson)
- In the scaling limit  $y = \frac{\lambda}{2\pi p_a(0)\zeta}$  with  $\zeta = \frac{\nu^2}{4N^{\gamma-1}}$ , a universal form

$$\bar{\chi}(y) = \frac{1}{\pi y} [2y \arctan(y) - \ln(1 + y^2)]$$

with  $\bar{\chi}(y \rightarrow 0) = 0$  and  $\bar{\chi}(y \rightarrow \infty) = 1$

Numerical tests of universality (independence of  $p_a$ ) are under way

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# Details

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## On level compressibility

The # of eigenvalues in the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  is

$$I(\alpha, \beta) = \sum_{i=1}^N [\theta(\beta - \lambda_i) - \theta(\alpha - \lambda_i)]$$

The Heaviside function can be represented as

$$\theta(-x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} [\ln(x + i\eta) - \ln(x - i\eta)]$$

Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \theta(\alpha - \lambda_i) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \{ \ln \det[\mathbb{H} - (\alpha - i\eta)\mathbb{I}] - \ln \det[\mathbb{H} - (\alpha + i\eta)\mathbb{I}] \}$$

and

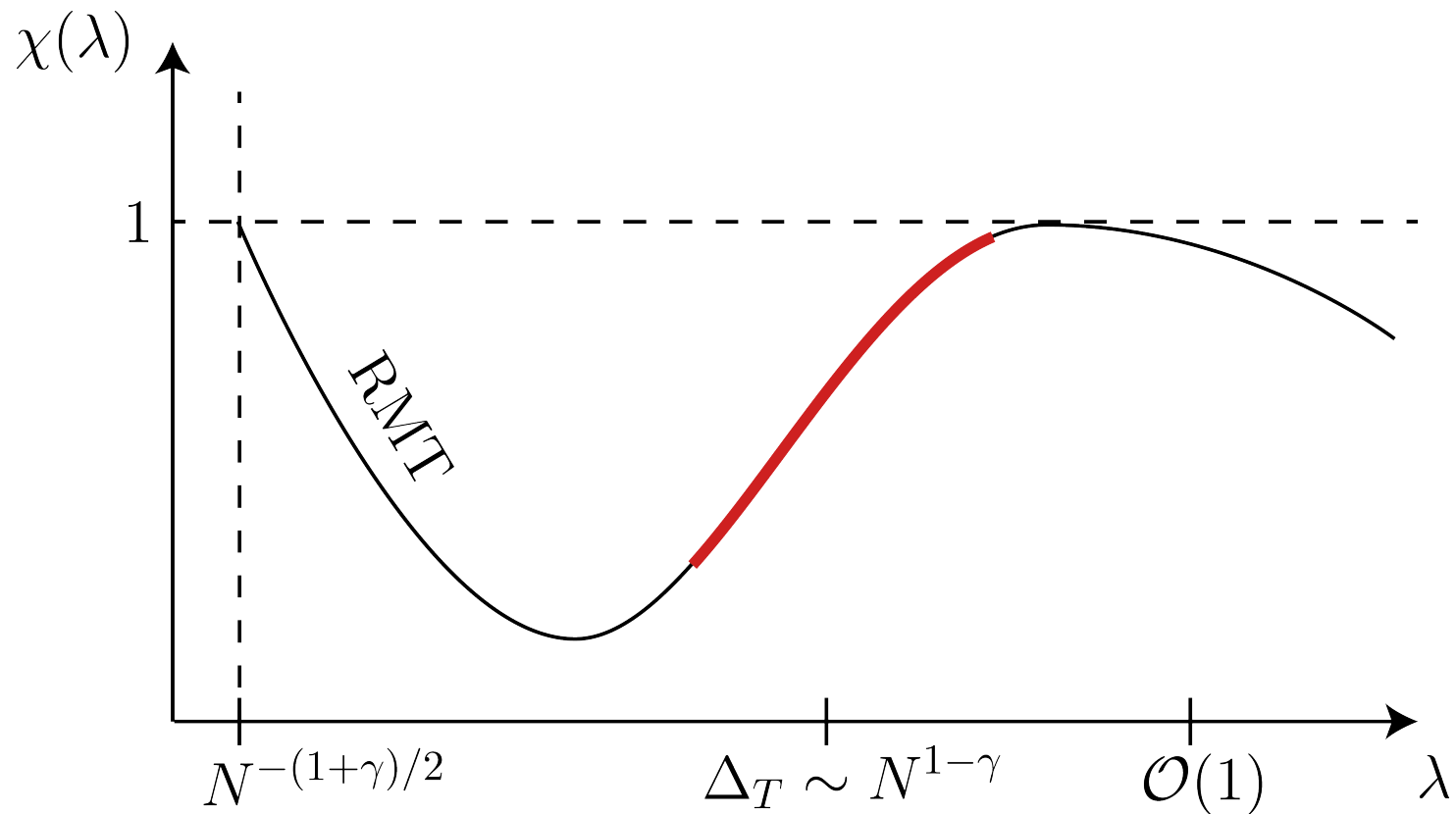
$$I(-\alpha, \beta) = -\frac{1}{\pi i} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \ln \frac{\mathcal{Z}(\beta - i\eta) \mathcal{Z}(\alpha + i\eta)}{\mathcal{Z}(\beta + i\eta) \mathcal{Z}(\alpha - i\eta)}$$

+ replica trick



# Level compressibility

Sketch of the various scales



$\bar{\chi}(y)$

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# Methods

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The trace of the **resolvent matrix**  $\mathbb{G}(z) = (z\mathbb{I} - \mathbb{H})^{-1}$  is the **global resolvent**

$$G(z) \equiv \frac{1}{N} \text{Tr} \mathbb{G}(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (z - \lambda_i)^{-1} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \int d\lambda' \frac{\rho(\lambda')}{z - \lambda'}$$

Inverting

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Im} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} G(\lambda - i\eta) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Im} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \sum_{i=1}^N \ln(\lambda - i\eta - \lambda_i) \end{aligned}$$

With the **Edwards-Jones** Gaussian representation

$$\begin{aligned} [\rho(\lambda)]_{\mathbb{H}} &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Im} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} [\ln \mathcal{Z}(\lambda - i\eta)]_{\mathbb{H}} \\ \mathcal{Z}(z) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^{N/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} d^N r e^{-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{r}^T (z\mathbb{I} - \mathbb{H}) \mathbf{r}} \end{aligned}$$

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# Methods

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## The replica trick

$$[\ln \mathcal{Z}]_{\mathbb{H}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{[\mathcal{Z}^n]_{\mathbb{H}} - 1}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n} \ln [\mathcal{Z}^n]_{\mathbb{H}}$$

For  $N \rightarrow \infty$  the calculation reduces to the saddle-point evaluation of  $[\mathcal{Z}^n]_{\mathbb{H}}$

- it can be done with a replica symmetric Ansatz on  $NQ_{ab} = \langle \mathbf{r}^a \cdot \mathbf{r}^b \rangle$  as usual
- with a **rotationally invariant Ansatz** in replica space for the density

$$\mu(\vec{r}) = \mu(r^1, \dots, r^a) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \prod_{a=1}^n \delta(r^a - r_i^a)$$

such that at the saddle point level it only depends on the modulus  $\mu(\vec{r}) = \bar{\mu}(r)$

The second path turns out to be more convenient