

TALES FROM THE QUANTUM CRYPT

Exploring Quantum Many-Body Scars: Anomalies to Thermalization in Quantum Systems

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... more has been done ...

... more to come ...

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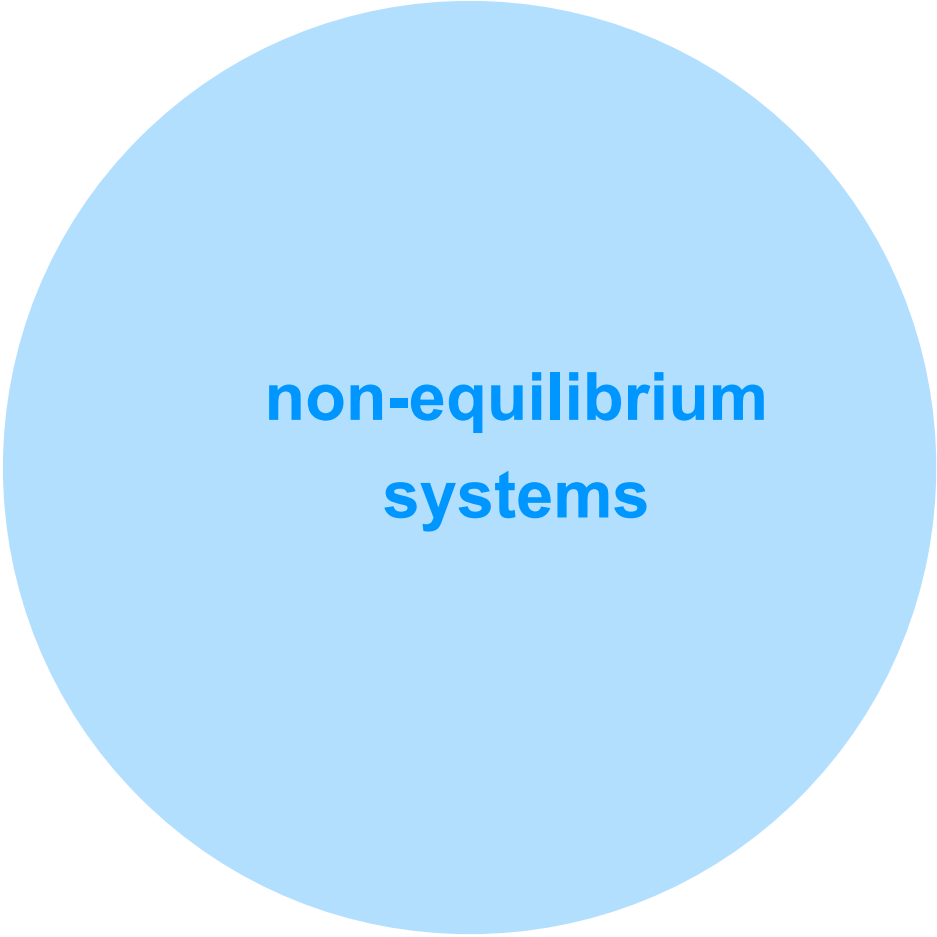
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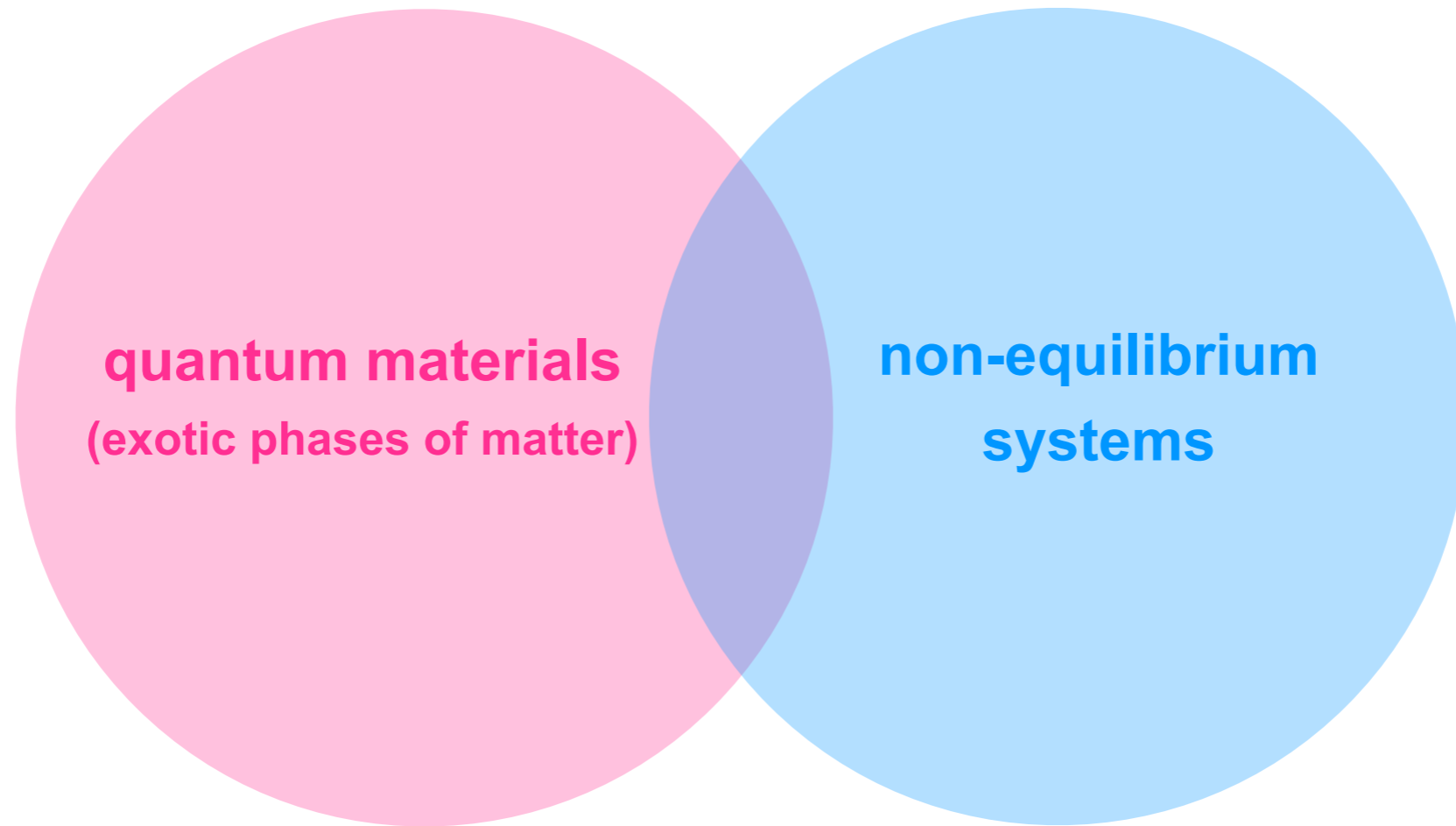
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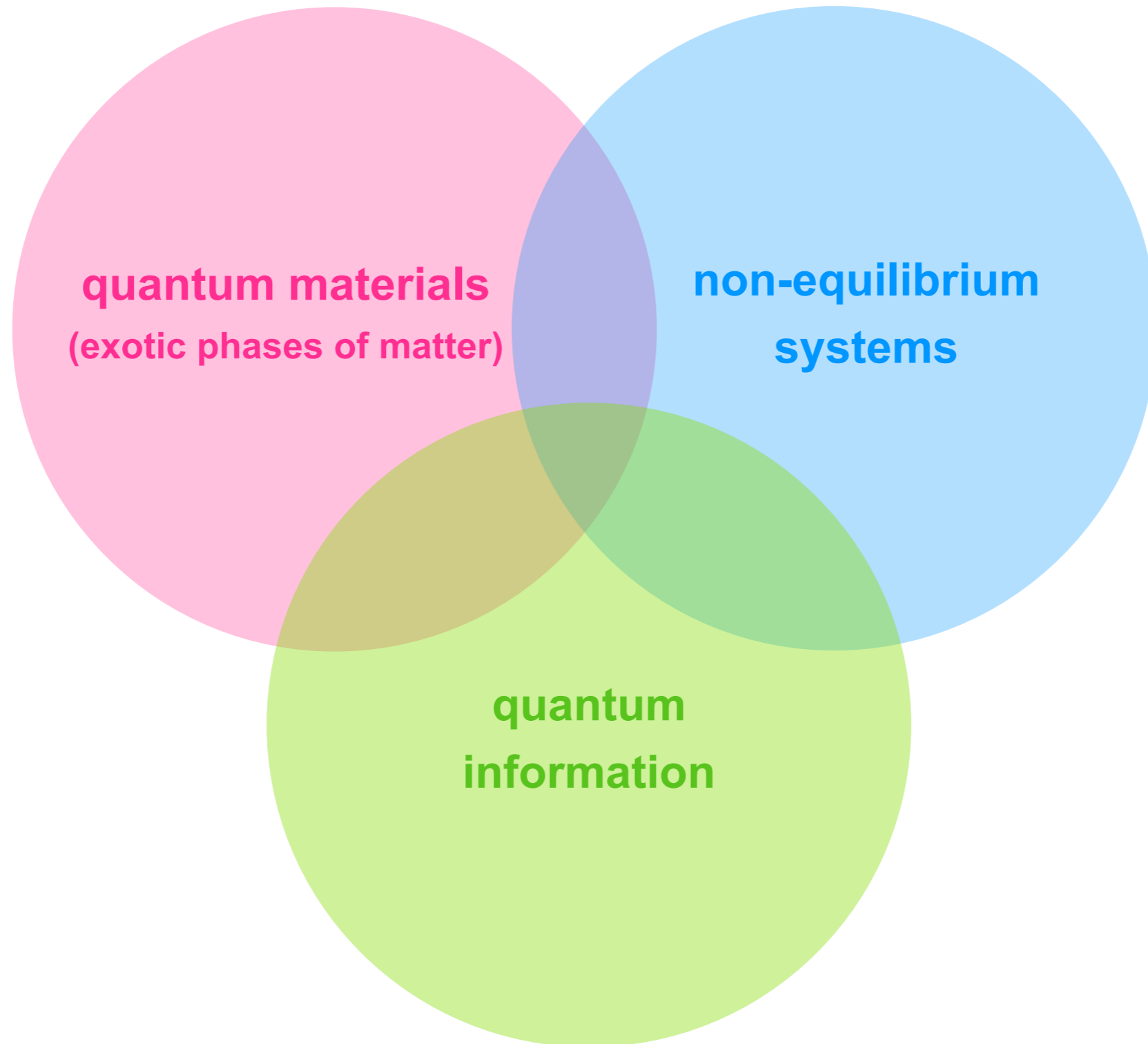


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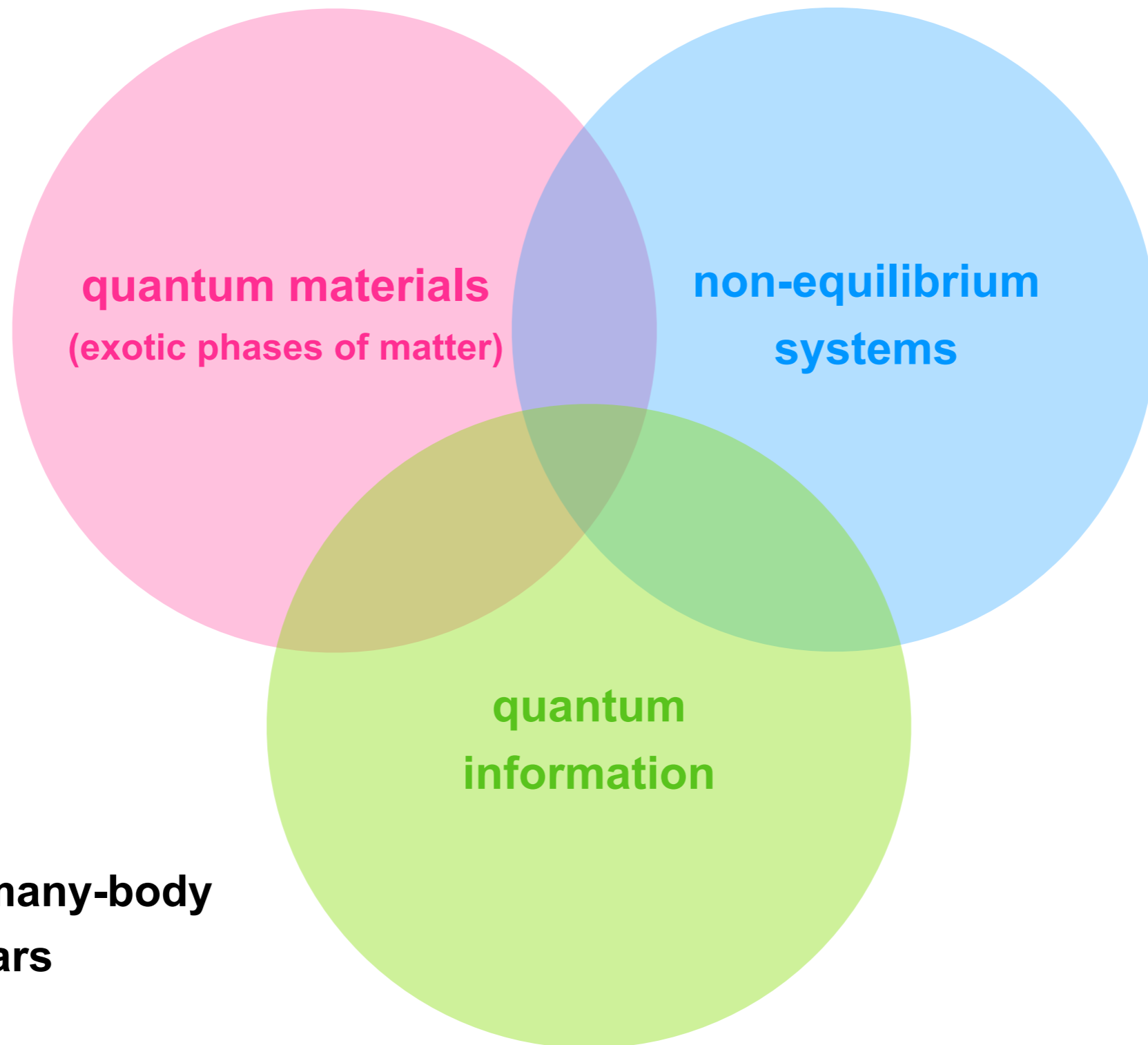
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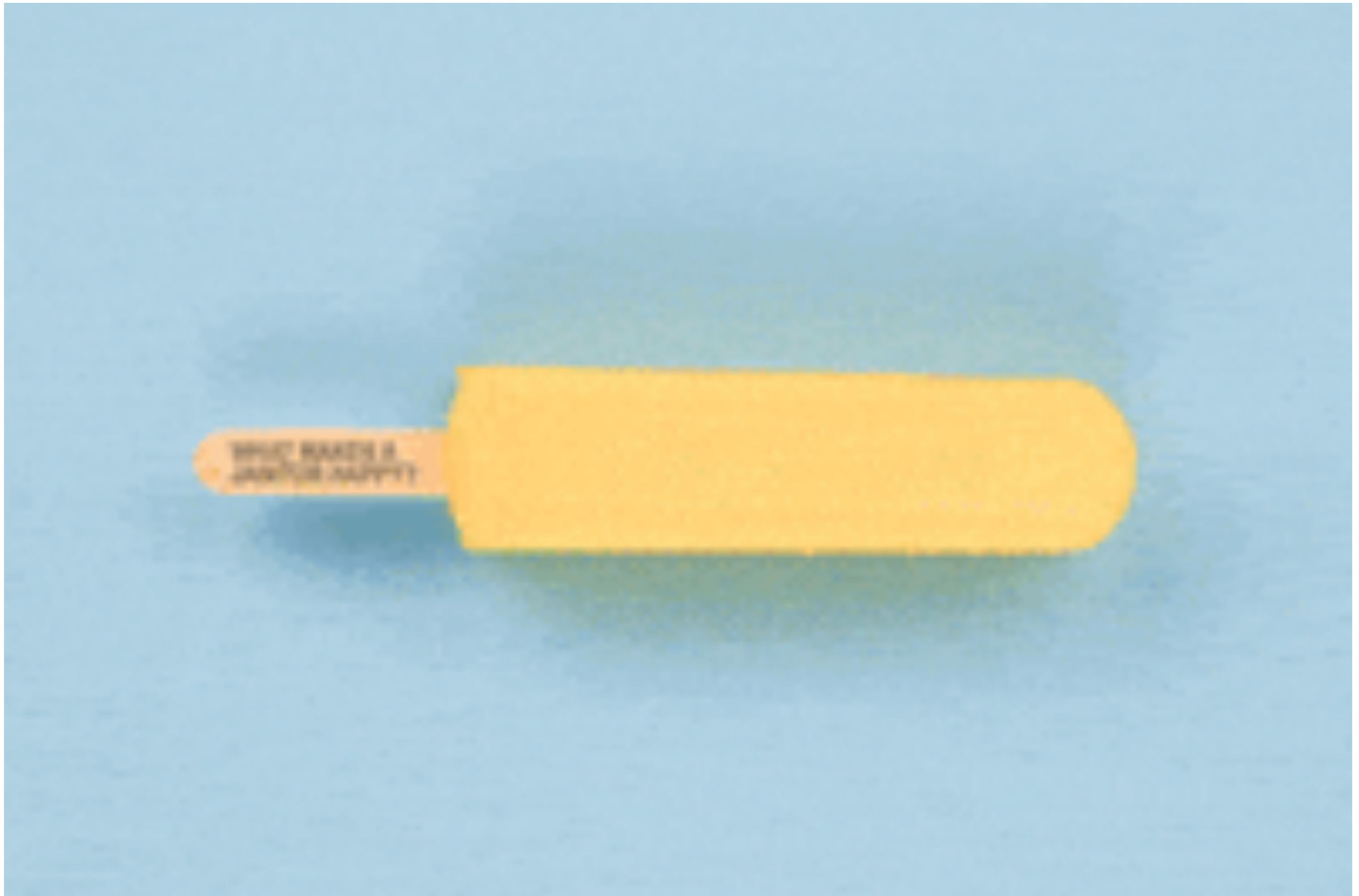
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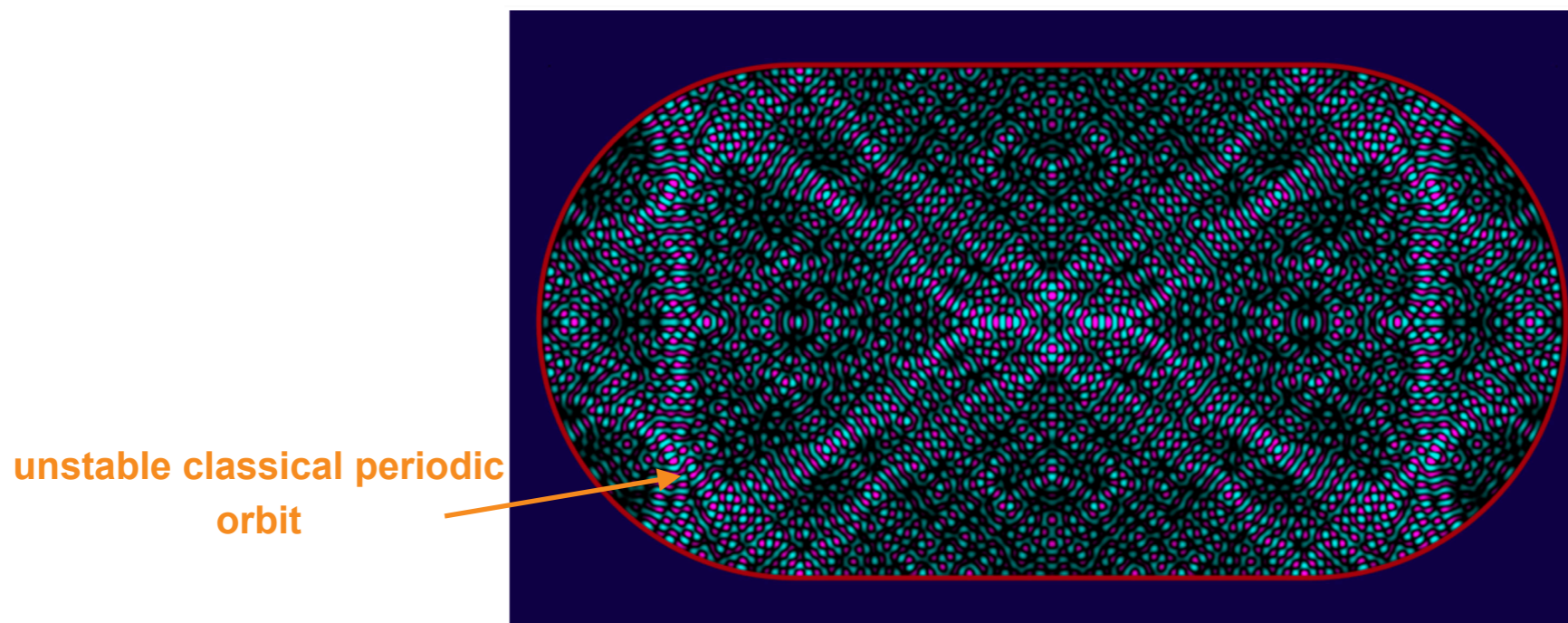
Enjoying the last days of summer ...



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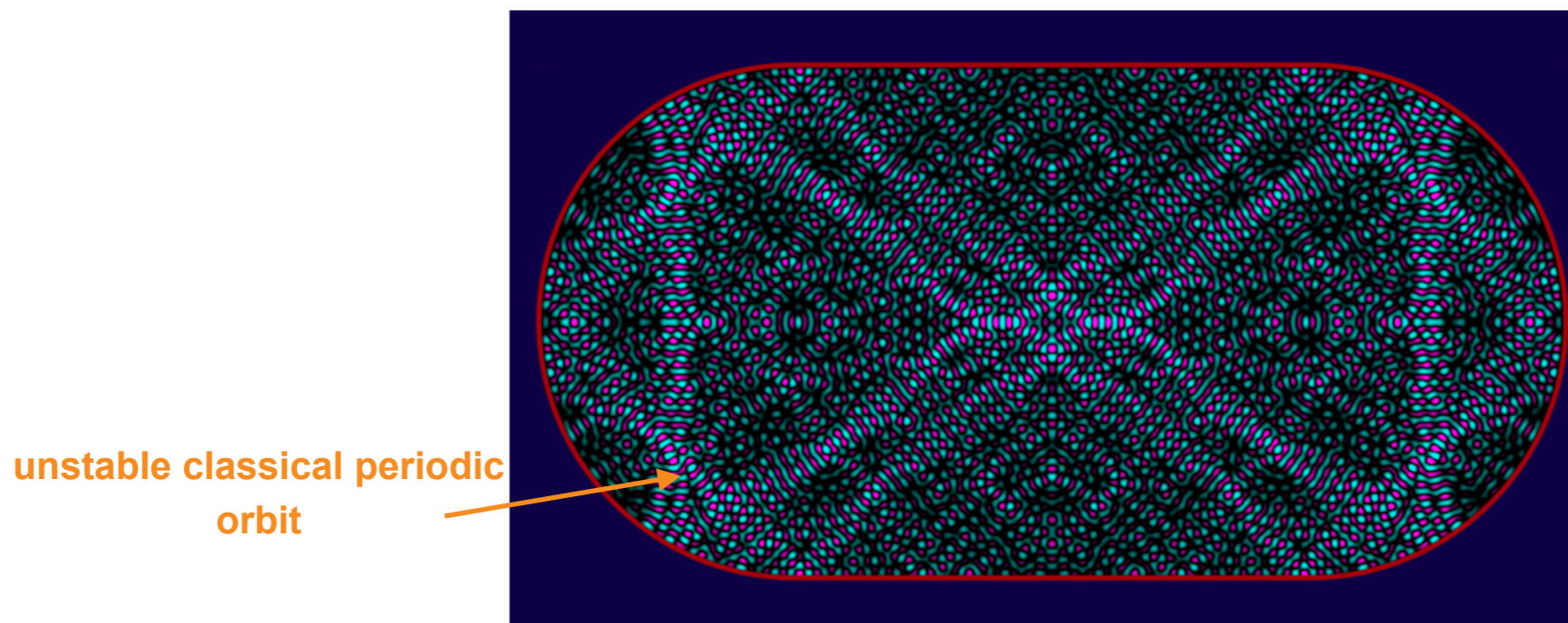
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⇒ Does this have an analogue in a quantum many-body system?



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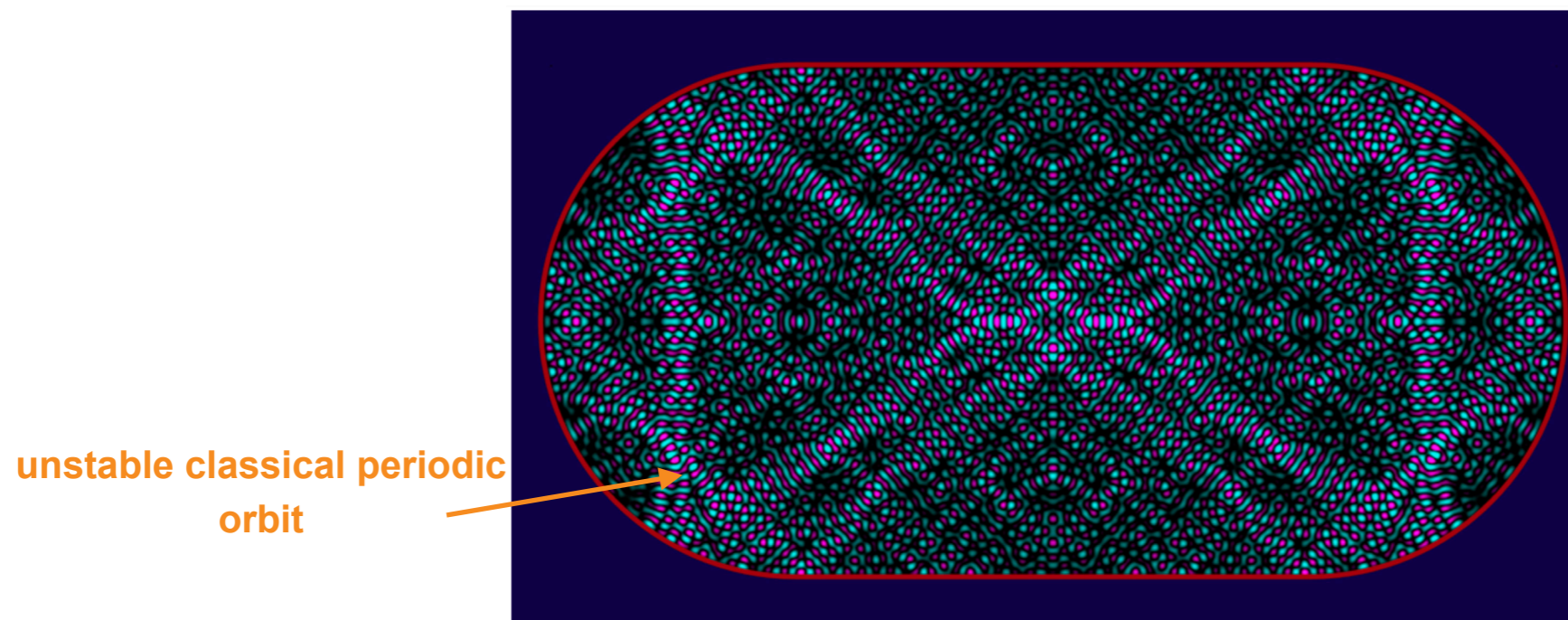
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⇒ analogy with recurring alternating state of atoms: quantum-many body scars



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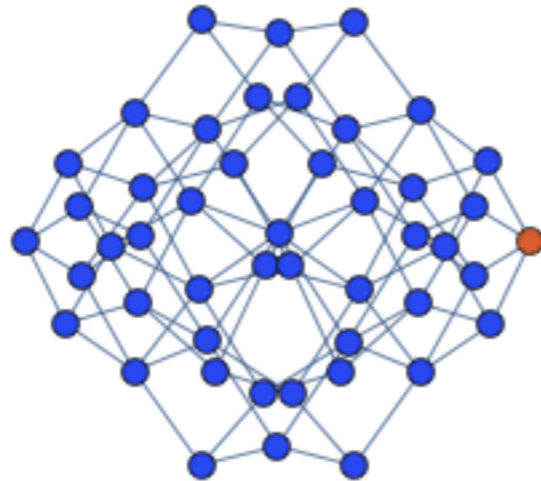
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What is a quantum many-body scar?



- each configuration is a vertex
- vertices i and j are connected by $\langle \Psi_i | \mathcal{H} | \Psi_j \rangle$



- ▶ 10 atoms oscillating between ground state (black) and excited state (white). Atoms can be simultaneously in the superposition of all possible 47 configurations.
- ▶ Top plot shows different probabilities of individual configurations over time.

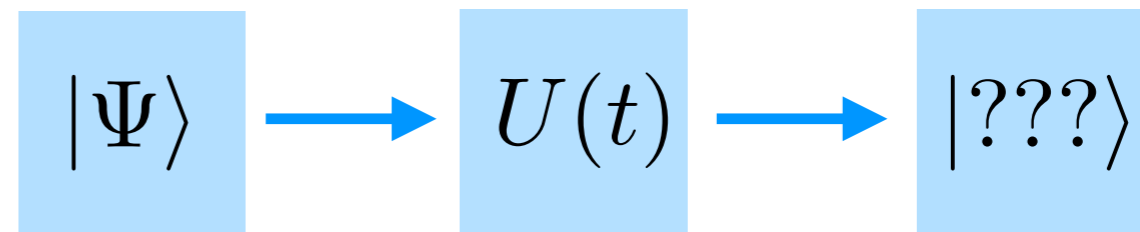
Quantum Dynamics/Ergodicity

⇒ many-body physics beyond the ground states

- ▶ advances in experiments: isolated quantum systems
- ▶ fundamental questions: When and how is quantum information lost/retained?

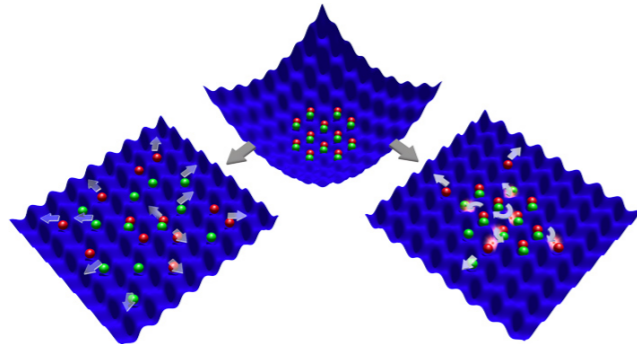
⇒ ergodicity

- isolated system: quantum quench



Motivation: Progress in Experiments

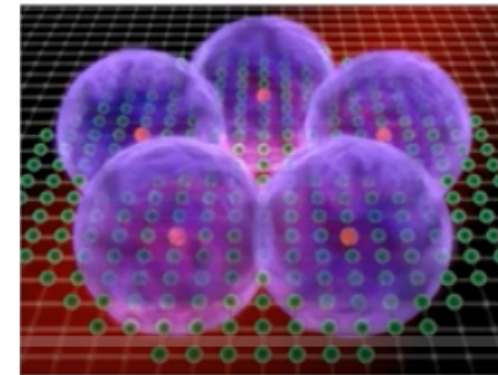
ultracold atomic systems



fermionic atoms in optical lattice: dynamics depend on (non)-interacting atoms

[Bloch group (MPQ, Munich)]

(ultracold) Rydberg atoms



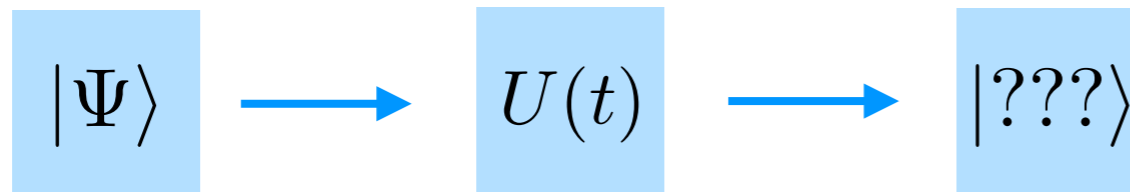
alkali-metal atoms (lithium, sodium, potassium, rubidium, cesium, and francium)

[Harvard group]

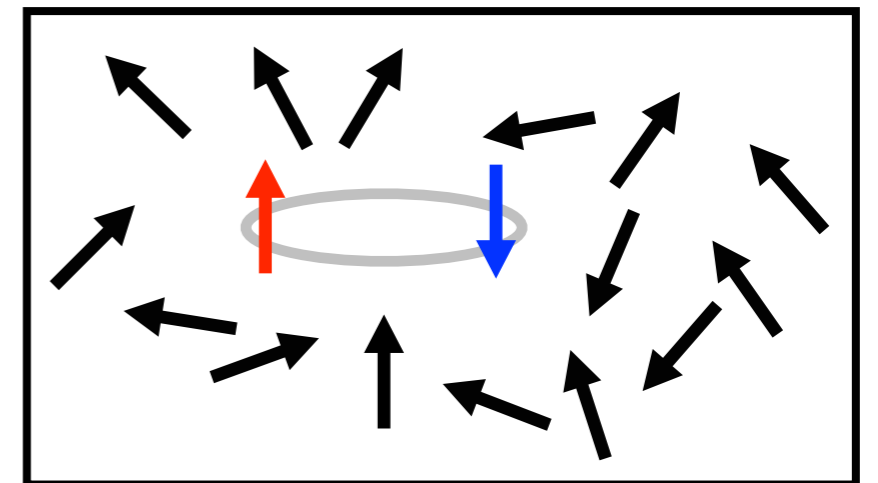
- systems are isolated from environment
- non-equilibrium physics
- quantum dynamics: prepare precise initial states and observe the ensuing dynamics in real time
- experimental realization of topological matter

Ergodicity in Quantum Dynamics

- **isolated system: quantum quench**



- ▶ **ergodic dynamics: system relaxes to locally thermal state regardless of initial condition**
- ▶ **mechanism: system acts as its own bath**
- ▶ **many-body time evolution washes away quantum correlations**
- ▶ **quantum information stored in local objects is rapidly lost as these get entangled with the rest of the systems.**
- ▶ **many-body system is essentially devoid of any remaining structure**



spin system: spins will get entangled with other spins as time progresses

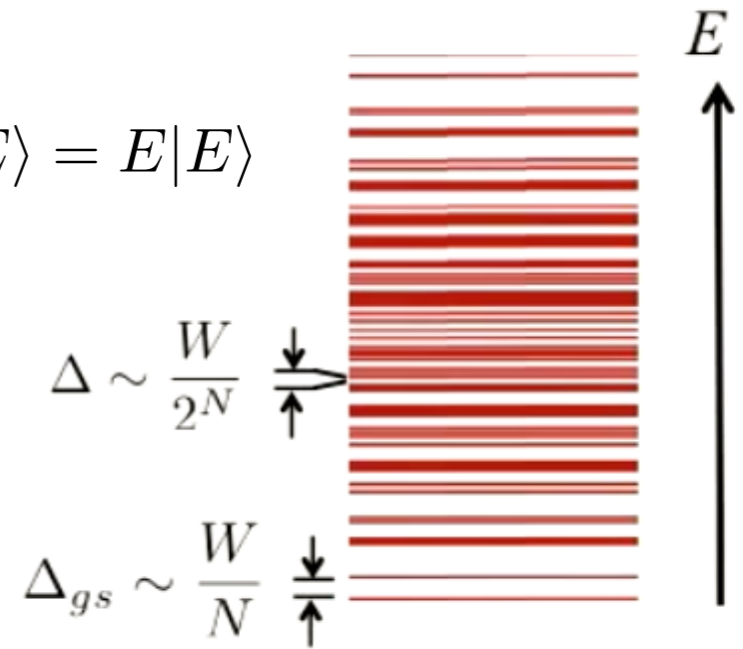
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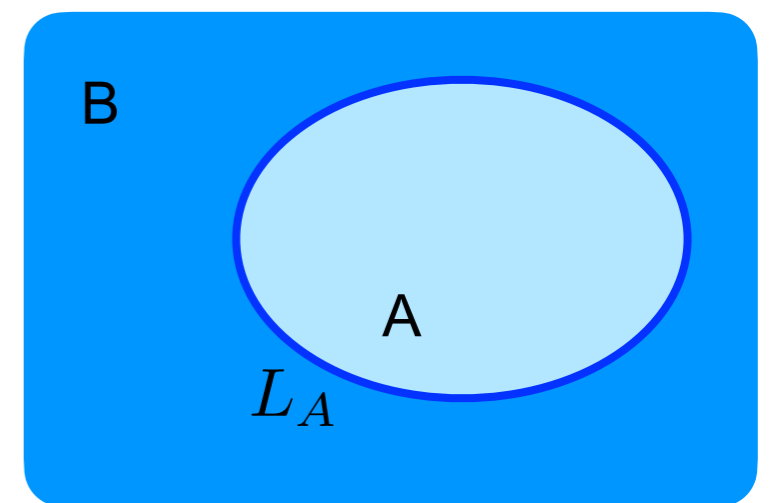
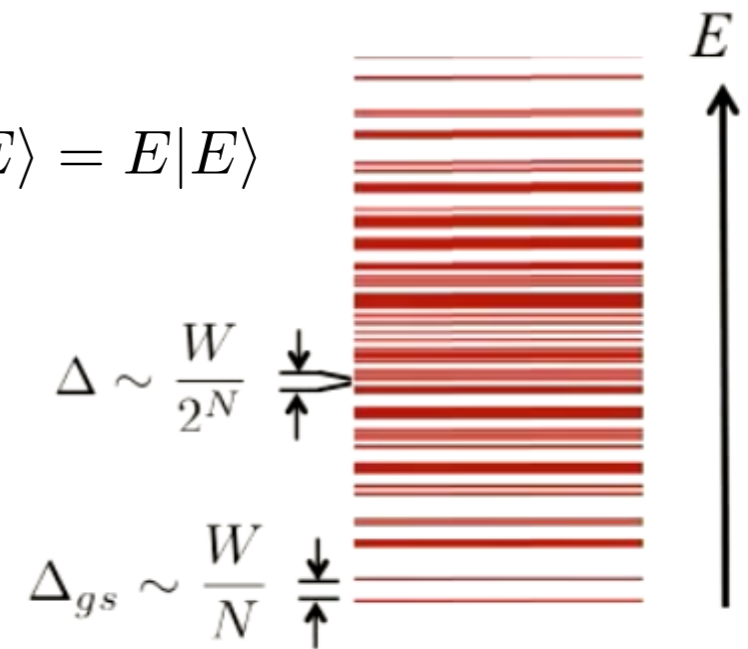
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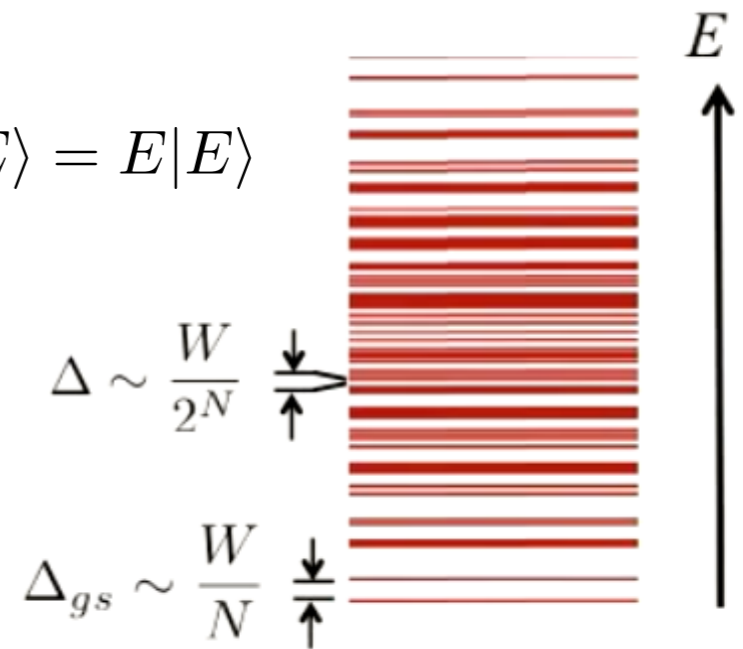
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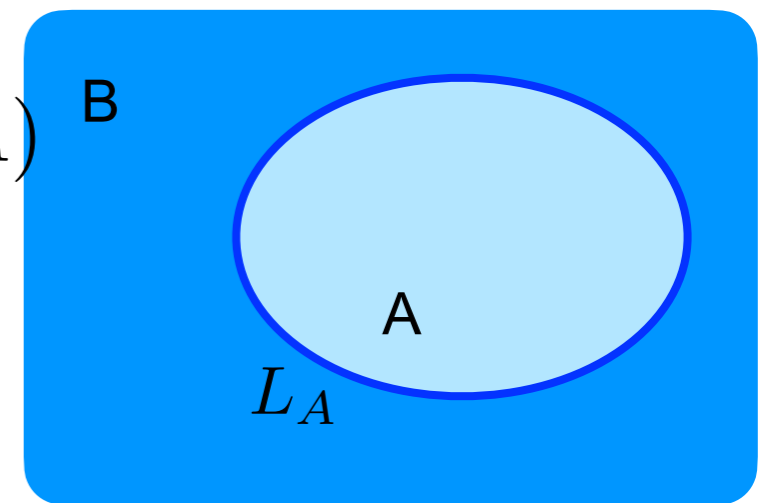
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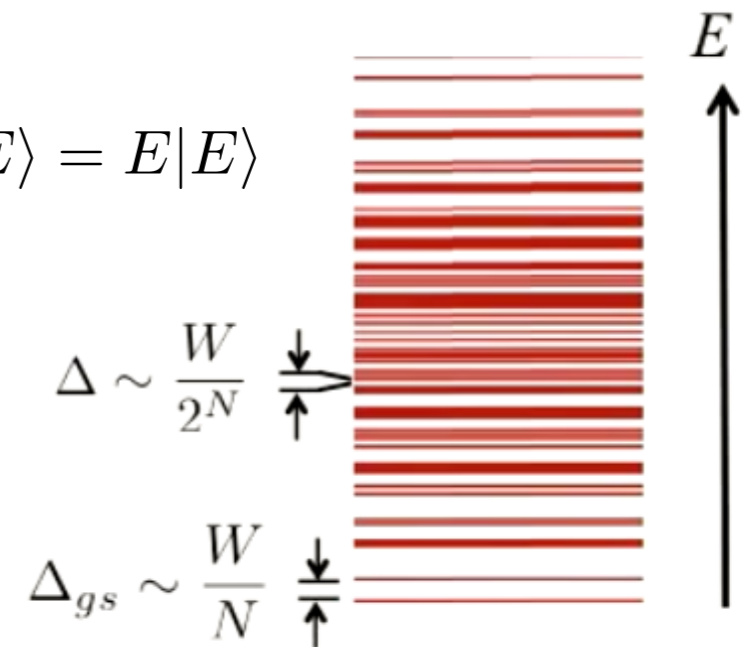
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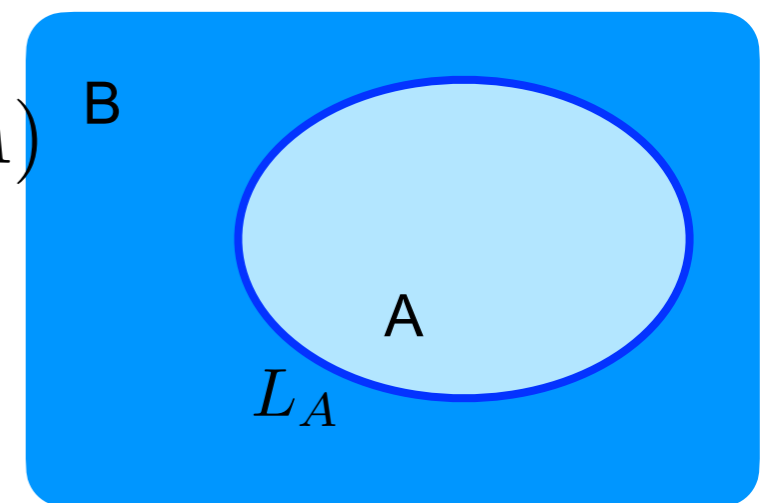
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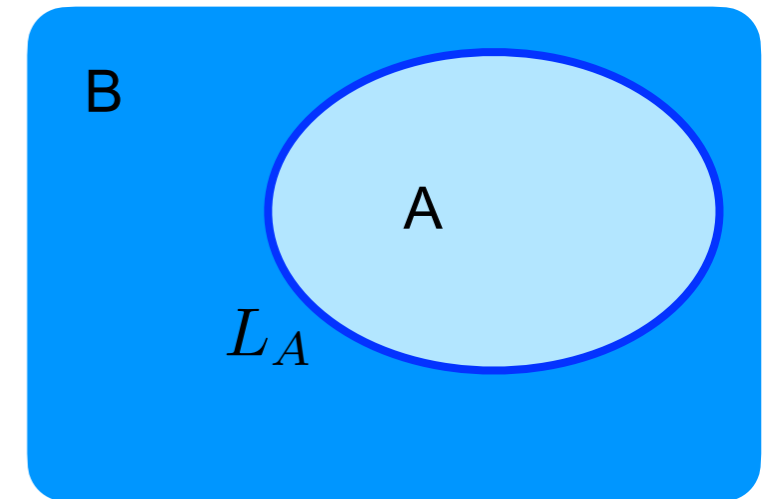
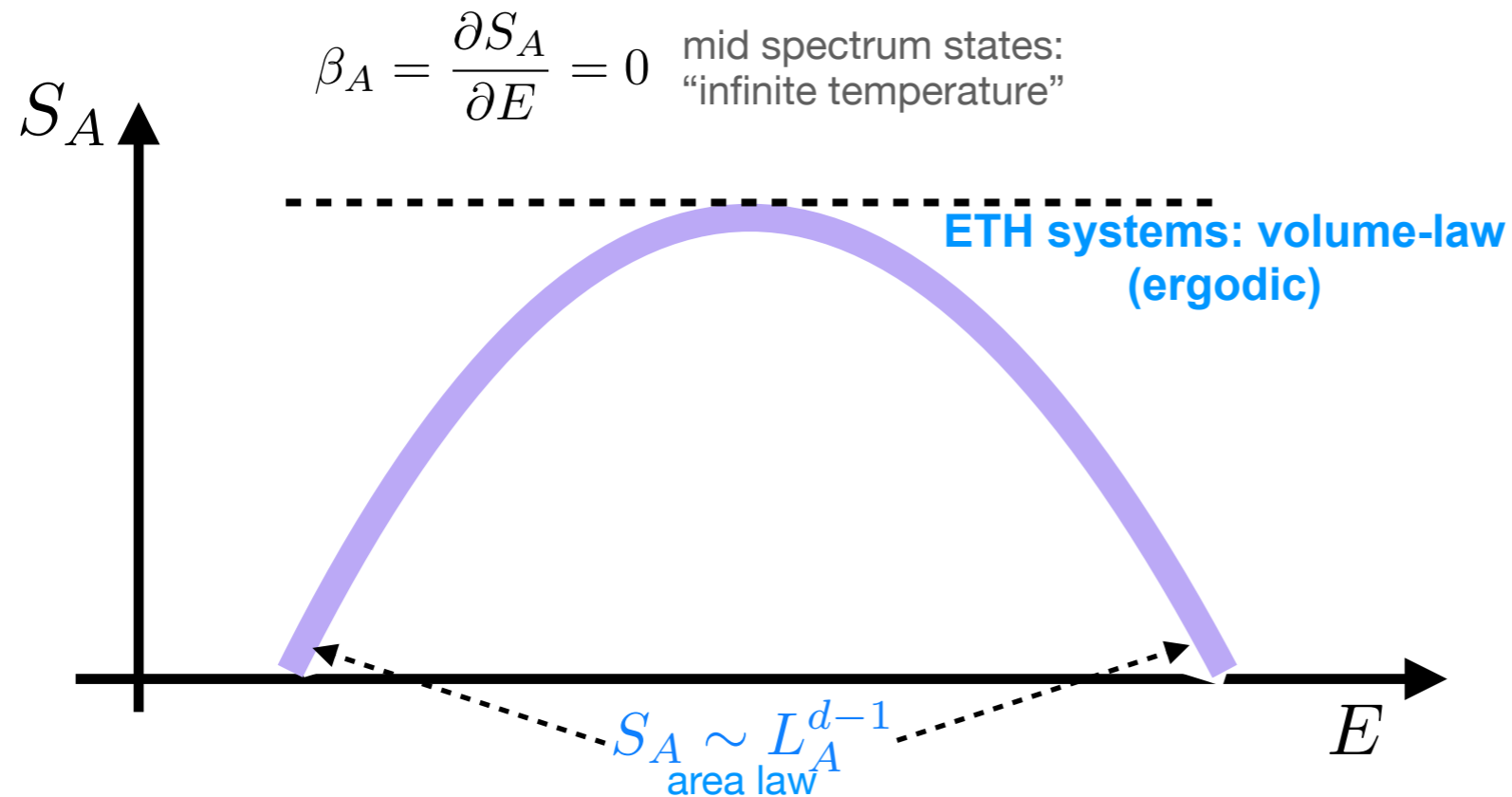
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\implies Are there non-ergotic quantum systems?

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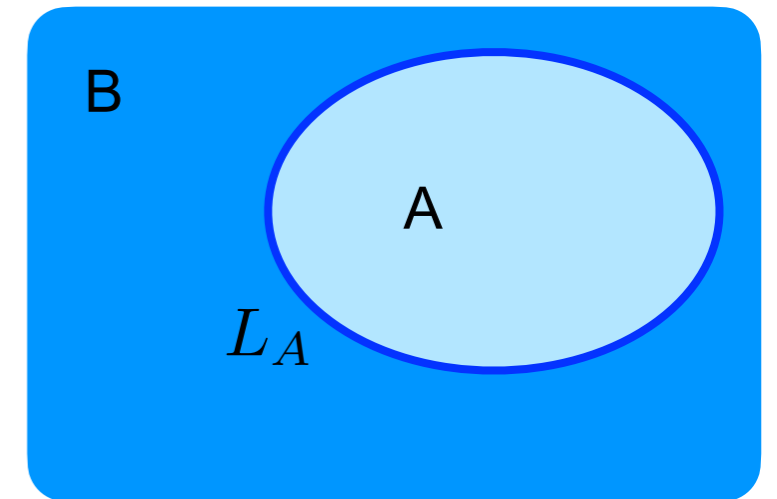
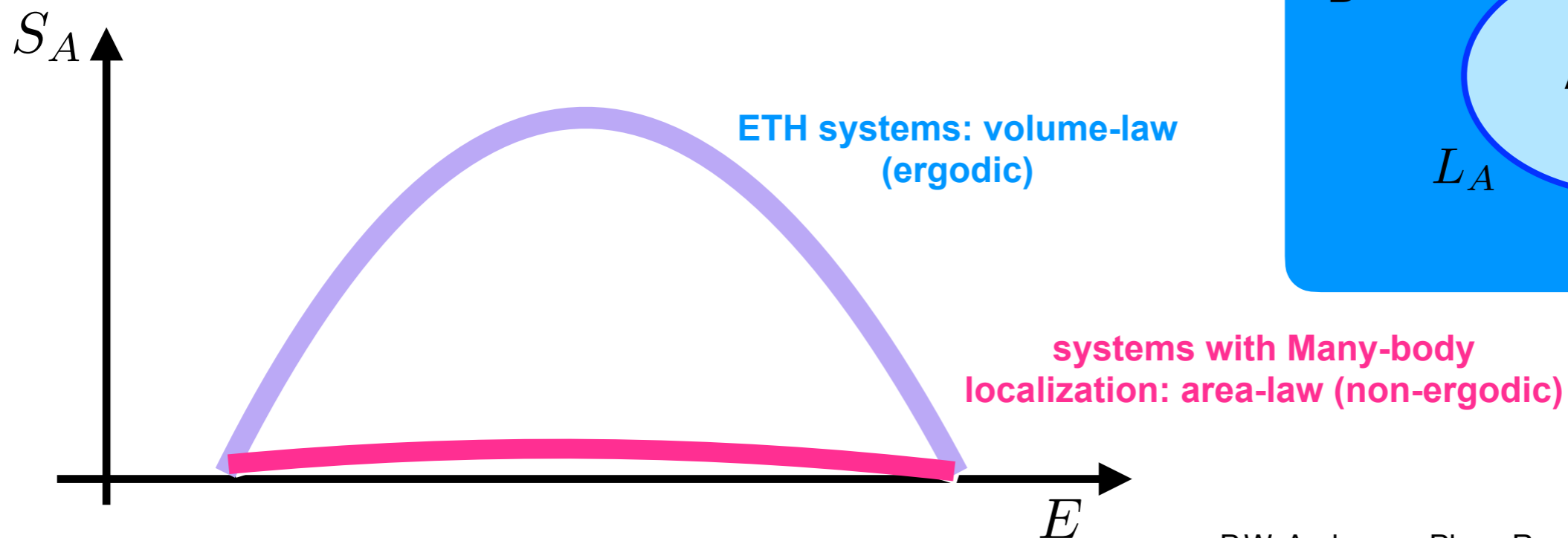
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- ▶ **Many-body localization (MBL) systems: all eigenstates have area-law entanglement**
- ▶ **Dynamics in MBL systems: all states retain memory of initial state (nonergodicity)**

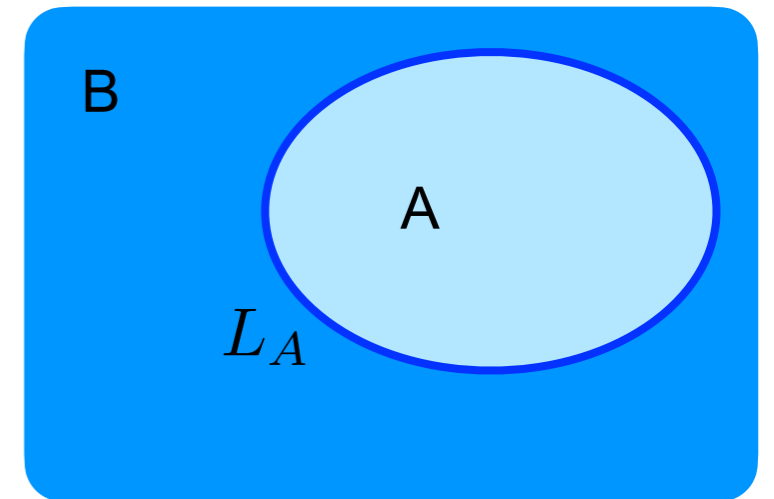
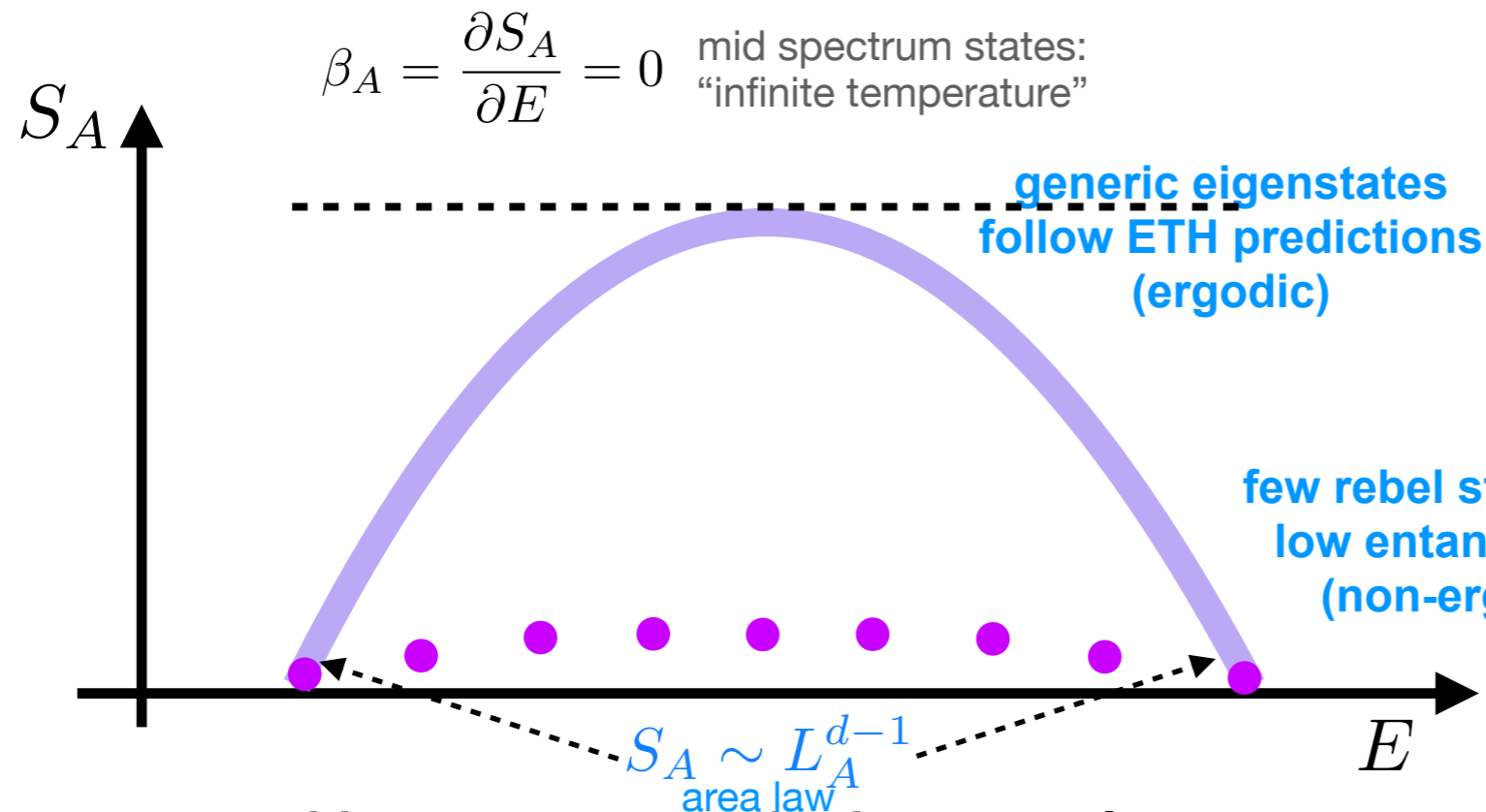
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- ▶ **systems with quantum many-body scars: almost every eigenstate thermalizes**
- ▶ **Dynamics: almost all states do NOT retain memory of initial state (ergodicity)**
- ▶ **systems with quantum many-body scars: a few eigenstates (scar states) exhibit sub-volume entanglement**
- ▶ **Dynamics: scar states DO retain memory of initial state (nonergodicity)**

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\dim(\mathcal{H})} \times N_{\text{non-thermal}} \right) = 0$$

quantum many-body scars:
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Quantum many-body Scars \iff Quantum Information

► motivation in applications/advances in quantum information

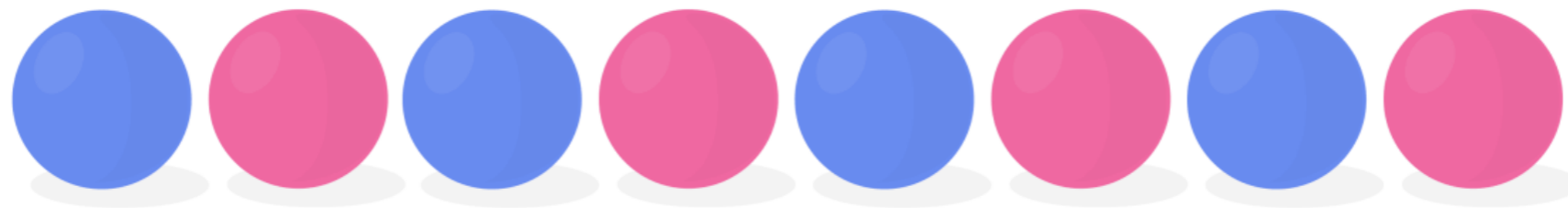
- **Quantum Memory:** persistent long-lived oscillations relevant for quantum information storage, interest for applications in quantum memory and quantum error correction
- **Entanglement Properties:** unique entanglement structures can be leveraged to study entanglement dynamics and correlations, critical for quantum information processing, understanding how entanglement evolves (entanglement dynamics) provides insights into non-equilibrium dynamics valuable for developing quantum algorithms/protocols
- **Quantum Computing and Algorithms:** efficient state preparation in quantum computing, robustness against decoherence
- **Information Scrambling:** study of QMBS can contribute to understanding how information is scrambled in quantum systems, relevant for quantum communication and information security
- **Exp. Realization in Cold Atoms:** providing platforms for exploring quantum information concepts in controlled environments, serve as testbeds for developing quantum information technologies

Experimental Realization

► **scars in a quantum generic system**

- **51 (Rydberg) Rb atoms placed in a row: every other atom in either a high-energy excited state or a low-energy ground state**
- **atoms reach equilibrium, then quickly revert to the original "antiferromagnet" state**

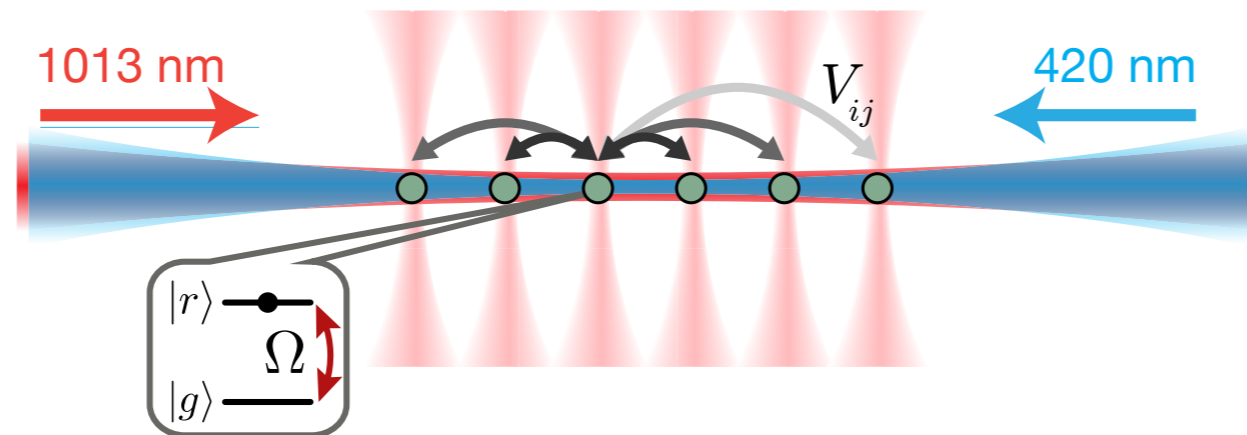
Rydberg experiment:



ORDERED SEQUENCE OF ATOMS

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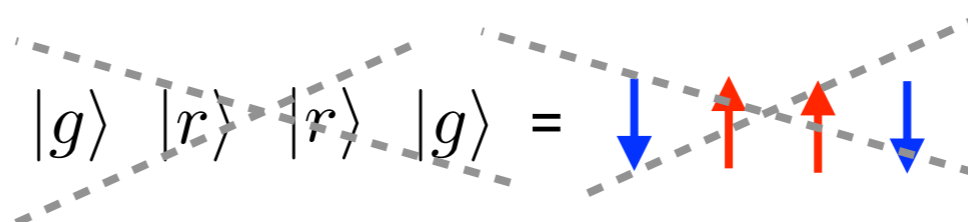
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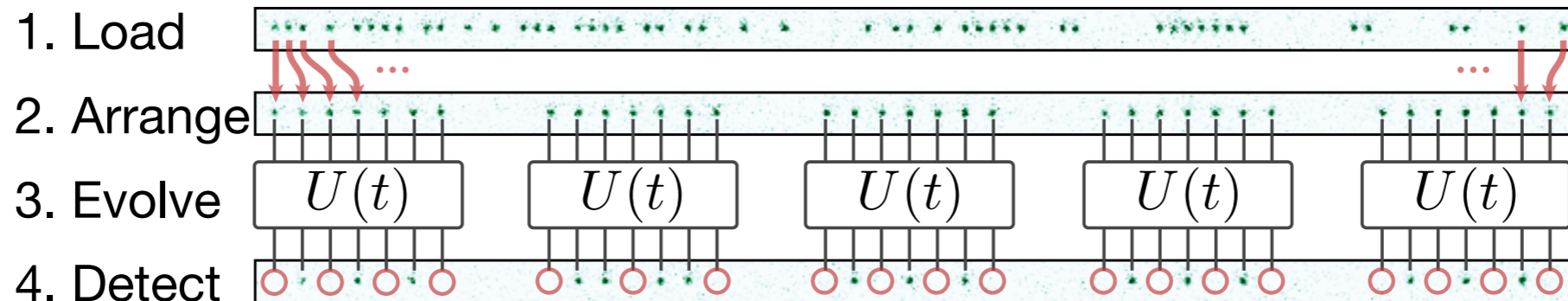
- individual ^{87}Rb atoms are trapped using optical tweezers (vertical red beams) and arranged into defect-free arrays
- coherent interactions V_{ij} between the atoms (arrows) are enabled by exciting them (horizontal blue and red beams) to a Rydberg state, with strength Ω
- strong van-der-Waals interaction between excited (spin-up) particles

- tune atomic spacing so that



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► experimental protocol

1. atoms are loaded into a tweezer array
2. atoms are re-arranged into a preprogrammed configuration
3. the system evolves under $U(t)$ with tunable parameters, this evolution can be implemented in parallel on several non-interacting sub-systems
4. detect the final state using fluorescence imaging, atoms in state $|g\rangle$ remain trapped, whereas atoms in state $|r\rangle$ are ejected from the trap and detected as the absence of fluorescence (indicated with red circles)

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Many-body physics with Rydberg atoms

⇒ effective model for 1d chain of Rydberg atoms: spin-1/2 model

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strongly correlated
paramagnet

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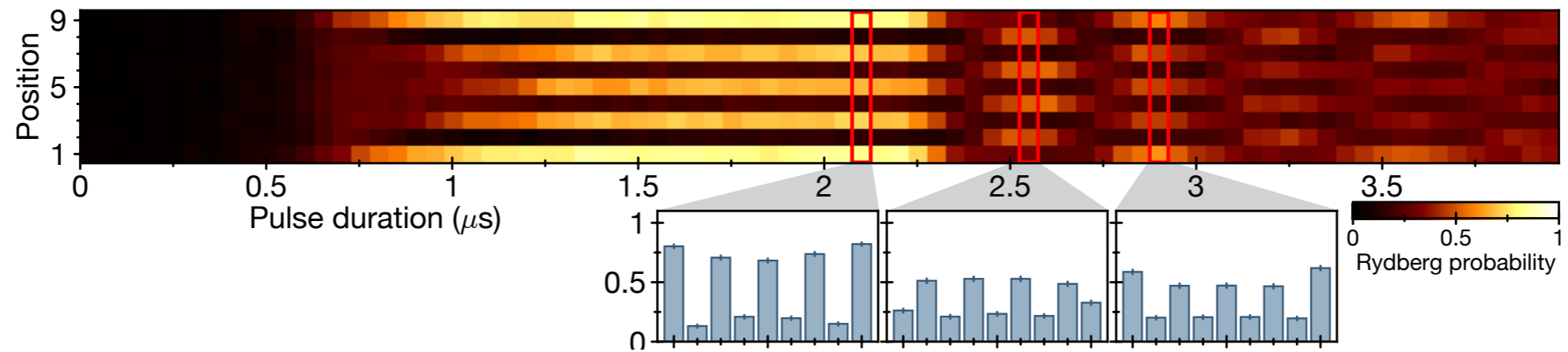
⇒ able to describe unexpected revivals in certain states

$$|Z_2\rangle = |\bullet\circ\bullet\circ\bullet\circ\dots\rangle$$

⇒ identifies special states responsible:
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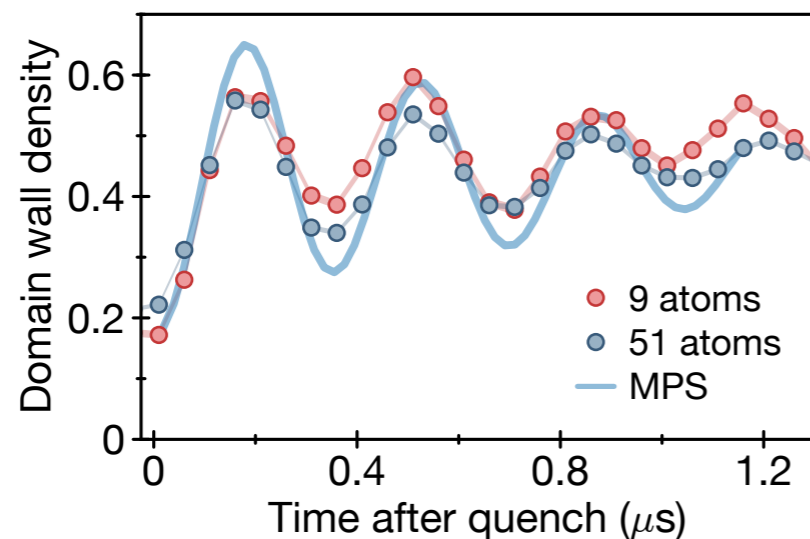


- strong coherent revivals after quench from Neel state $|\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle = |\bullet \circ \bullet \circ \bullet \circ \dots\rangle$

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- start with antiferromagnetic initial state and evolve it for some time t : $|\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle = |\bullet \circ \bullet \circ \bullet \circ \dots\rangle$



local basis states at site i : $|\bullet\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle$
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\implies observe oscillations around a non-thermal value

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- no revivals for generic initial product states, they thermalize quickly
example: $|\mathbb{Z}_0\rangle = |\circ \circ \circ \circ \circ \circ \dots\rangle$

\implies **Highly unexpected! Model does not seem to satisfy ETH!!!**

\implies **strong dependence on initial state: ~~ETH or MBL~~**

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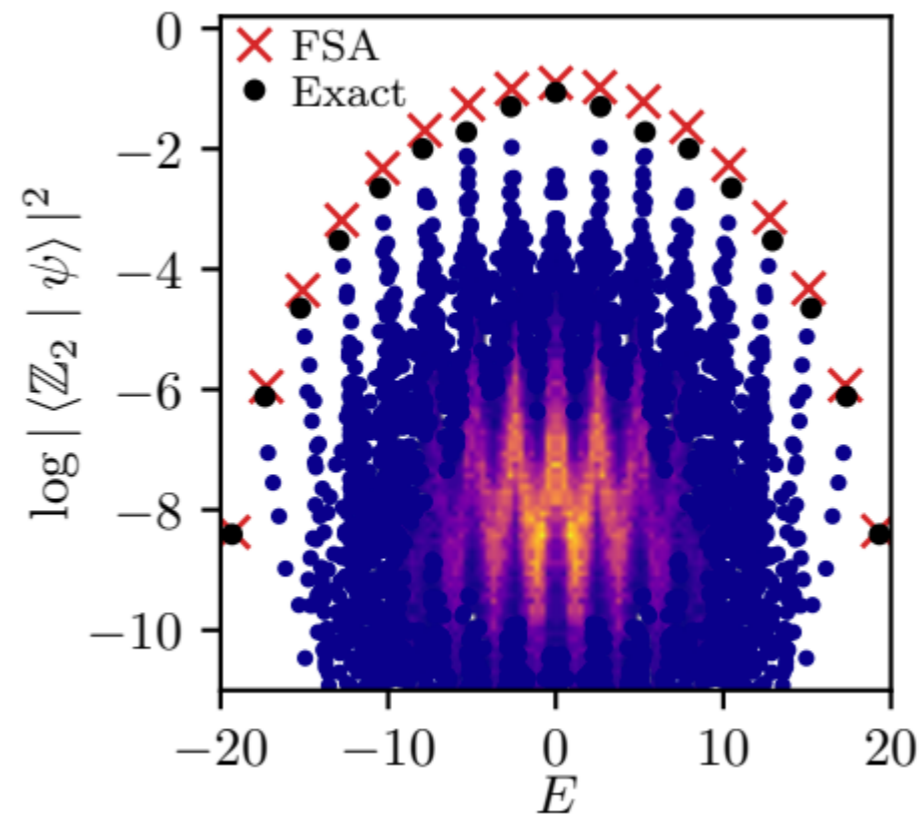
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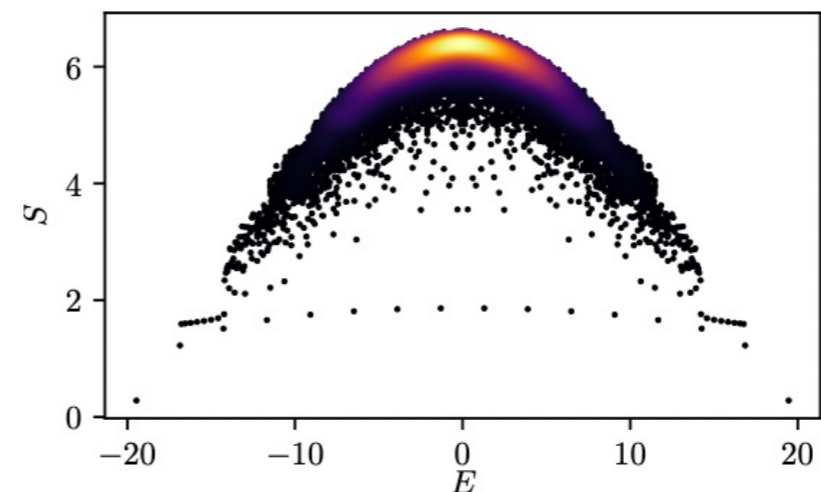
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1. Unconventional Symmetries or Conservation Laws:

- ▶ **Hidden Symmetries:** QMBS states often arise from hidden symmetries/conserved quantities not immediately apparent in the Hamiltonian. These symmetries can protect certain eigenstates from thermalizing and contribute to the scars' formation.
- ▶ **Strongly Broken Symmetries:** Some systems with QMBS have Hamiltonians that break certain symmetries, leading to a small subset of states that exhibit non-ergodic behavior.

2. Group-Theoretic Constructions:

- ▶ **Group-Theoretic Methods:** QMBS states can be constructed using group-theoretic methods, where special algebraic structures or symmetry groups lead to a discrete set of scar states. These constructions often reveal how such states can be embedded within the Hilbert space of a many-body system.

3. Entanglement Structure:

- ▶ **Special Entanglement Patterns:** QMBS states often exhibit unique entanglement properties, such as specific patterns of entanglement that prevent them from mixing with other states. These entanglement patterns can lead to slow dynamics and long-lived oscillations in observables.

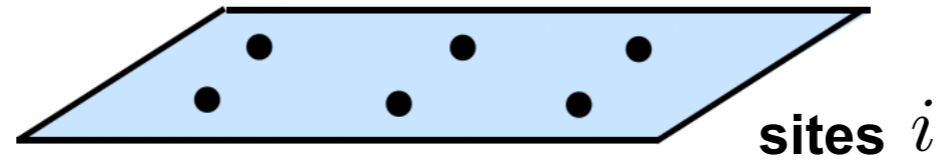
4. Perturbative Analysis

- ▶ **Perturbative Methods:** In some cases, QMBS can be understood as perturbations or excitations around exactly solvable points or models. These perturbative approaches help in identifying the conditions under which scar states persist.

5. Construction from Specific Models, Exact Solutions, Numerical and Experimental Observations

General Construction: Bilayer System

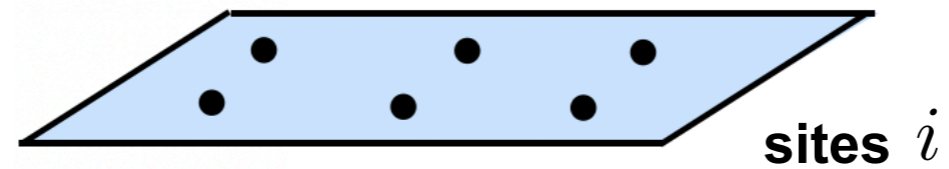
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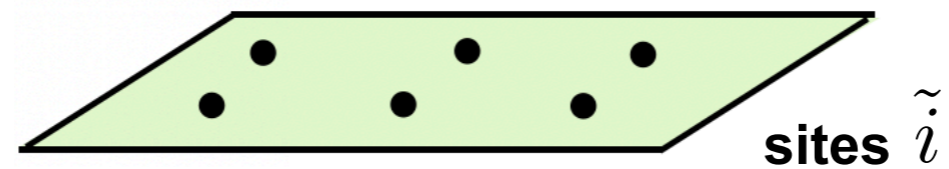
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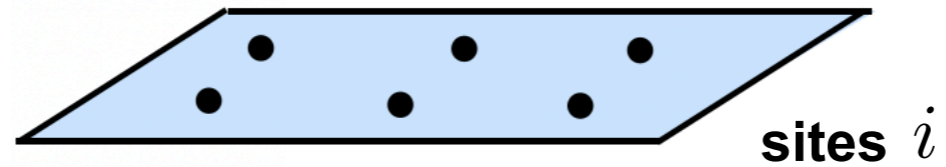
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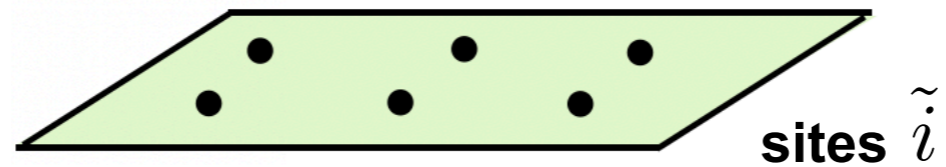
General Construction: Bilayer System

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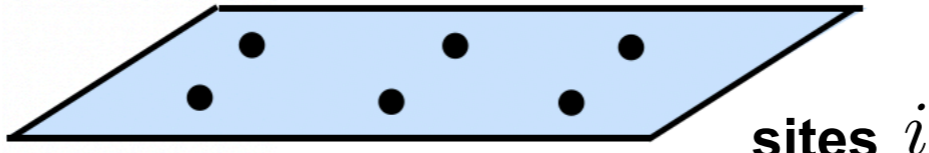
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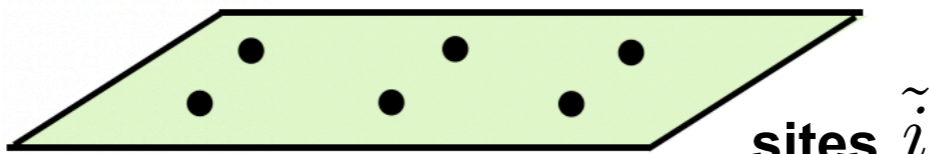
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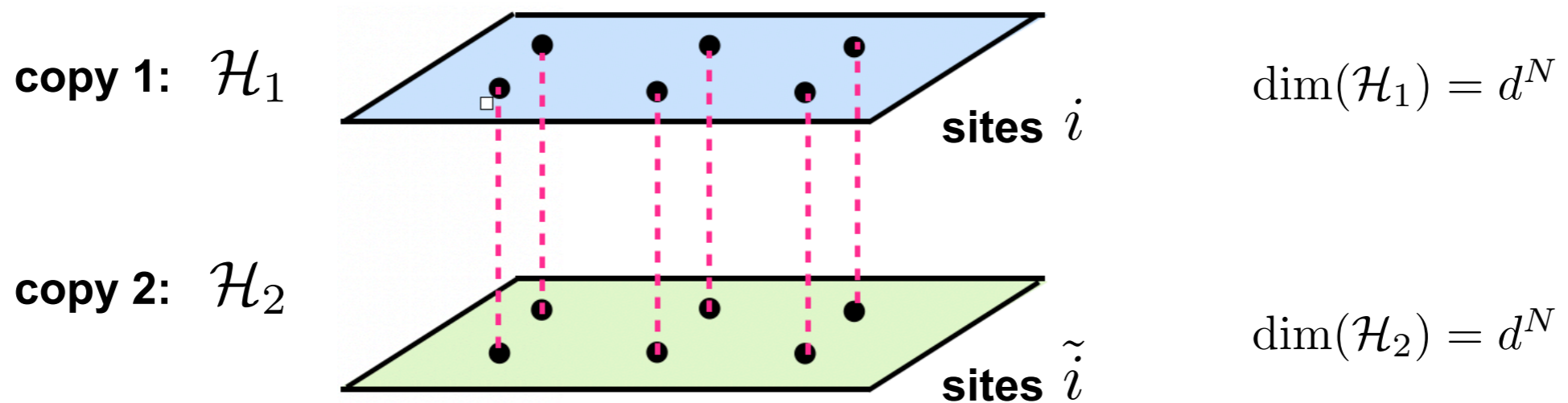
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$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_1 &= \sum_{n=1}^{d^N} E_n |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n| \\ \mathcal{H}_2 &= - \sum_{n=1}^{d^N} E_n |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n| \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} |\Psi_{nm}\rangle &= (E_n - E_m) |\Psi_{nm}\rangle \\ \{|\Psi_{nm}\rangle &= |\psi_n\rangle \otimes |\psi_m\rangle : \forall n, m = 1, \dots, d^N\} \end{aligned}$$

with special case: $\mathcal{H} |\Psi_{nn}\rangle = 0$

$$\{|\Psi_{nn}\rangle = |\psi_n\rangle \otimes |\psi_n\rangle : \forall n = 1, \dots, d^N\}$$

General Construction: Bilayer System



- $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_1 + \mathcal{H}_2 + \mathcal{H}_{12}$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = -\mathcal{H}_1$
 mirror symmetry $\mathcal{M} : i \rightarrow \tilde{i}$

- We demand in addition: $\mathcal{H}_{12}|\Psi_{nn}\rangle = E_{12}|\Psi_{nn}\rangle$ Wildeboer et al., PRB 106, 205142 (2022)
 Langlett et al., PRB 105, L060301 (2021)

$\{|\Psi_{nn}\rangle = |\psi_n\rangle \otimes |\psi_n\rangle : \forall n = 1, \dots, d^N\}$ are quantum many-body scar states !

\Rightarrow Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen (EPR) scar states are born!

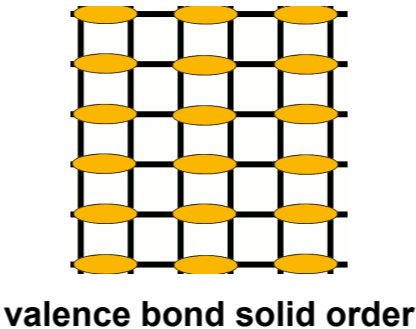
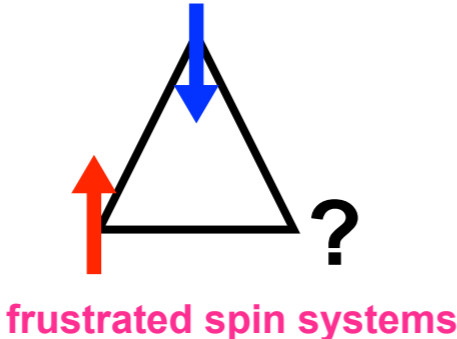
EPR Scar States

⇒ examples:

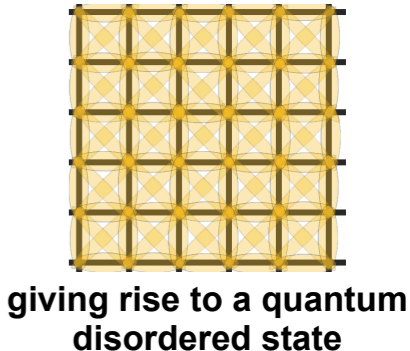
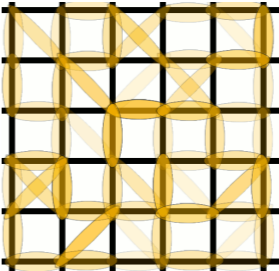
- ▶ quantum dimer model as bilayer system on square lattice, ...
- ▶ Bose-Hubbard model as bilayer system
- ▶ bilayer triangular lattice Heisenberg model with $SU(2)$ symmetry

... and more see Wildeboer et al., PRB 106, 205142 (2022) and future work

Quantum dimer models



quantum fluctuations



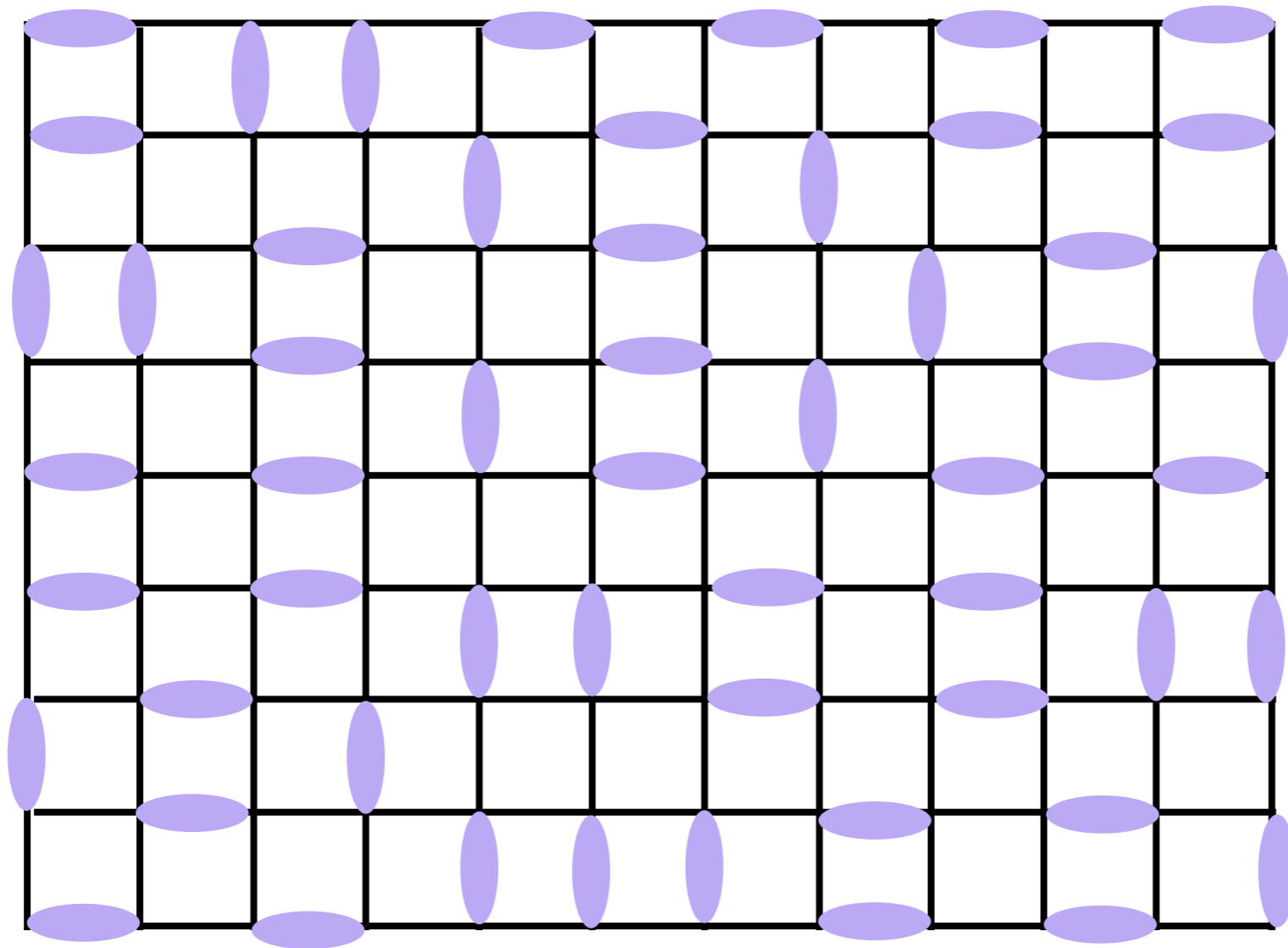
dimers: microscopic representations of spin singlets (valence bonds) assumed to be the building blocks of low energy subspace of an underlying quantum spin-1/2 problem with strong frustration

\Rightarrow $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$ **spin singlets = valence bonds**

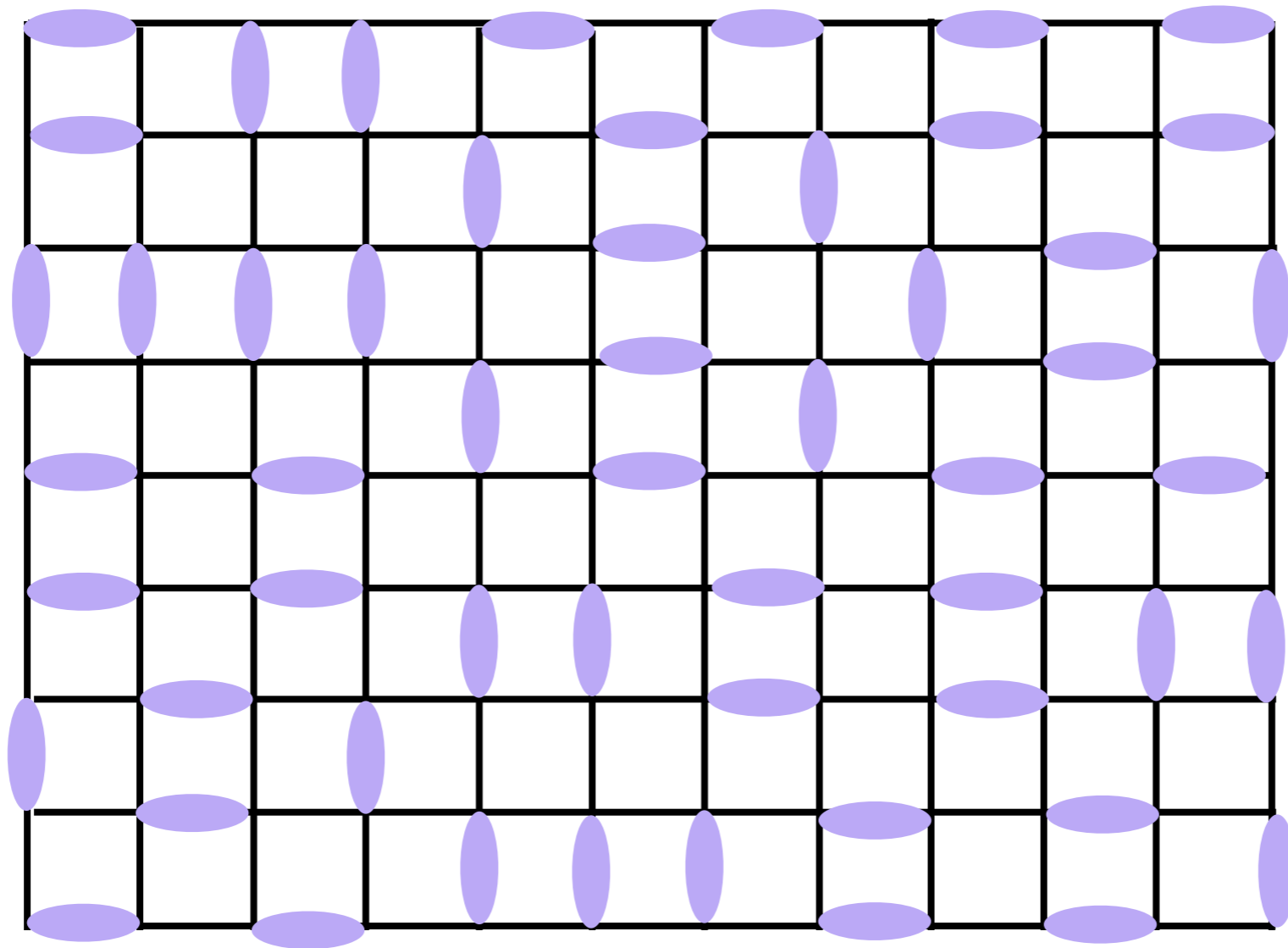
replaced by dimer (rod-like object)

- Rokhsar, Kivelson, PRL 61, 2376 (1988)
- Moessner, Sondhi, PRL 86, 1881 (2001)
- Misguich et al., PRL 89, 137202 (2002)
- Wildeboer et. al, PRL 109, 147208 (2012)
- Wildeboer et. al, PRB 95, 100402 (2017)
- Wildeboer et. al, PRB 102, 020401 (2020)

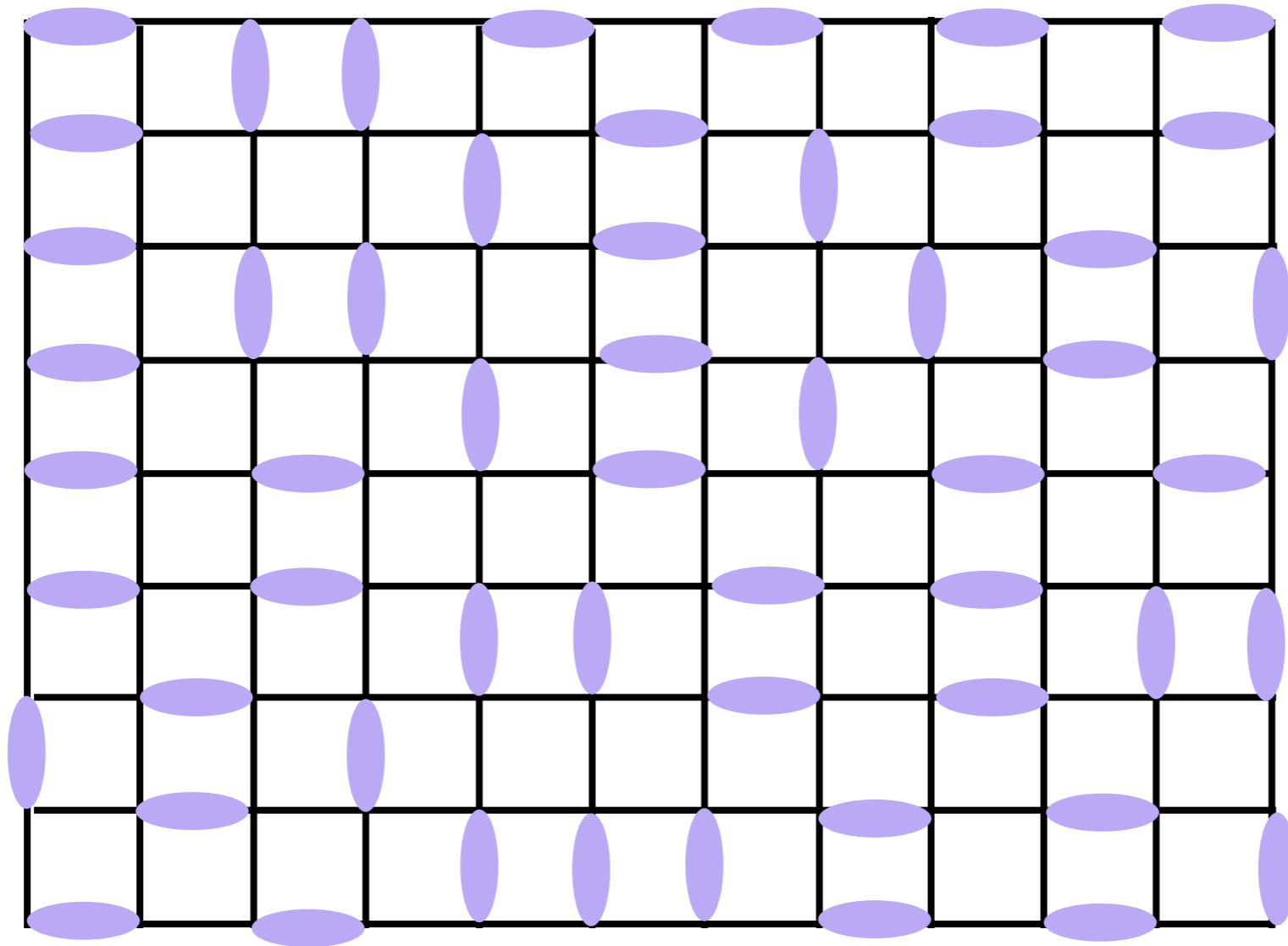
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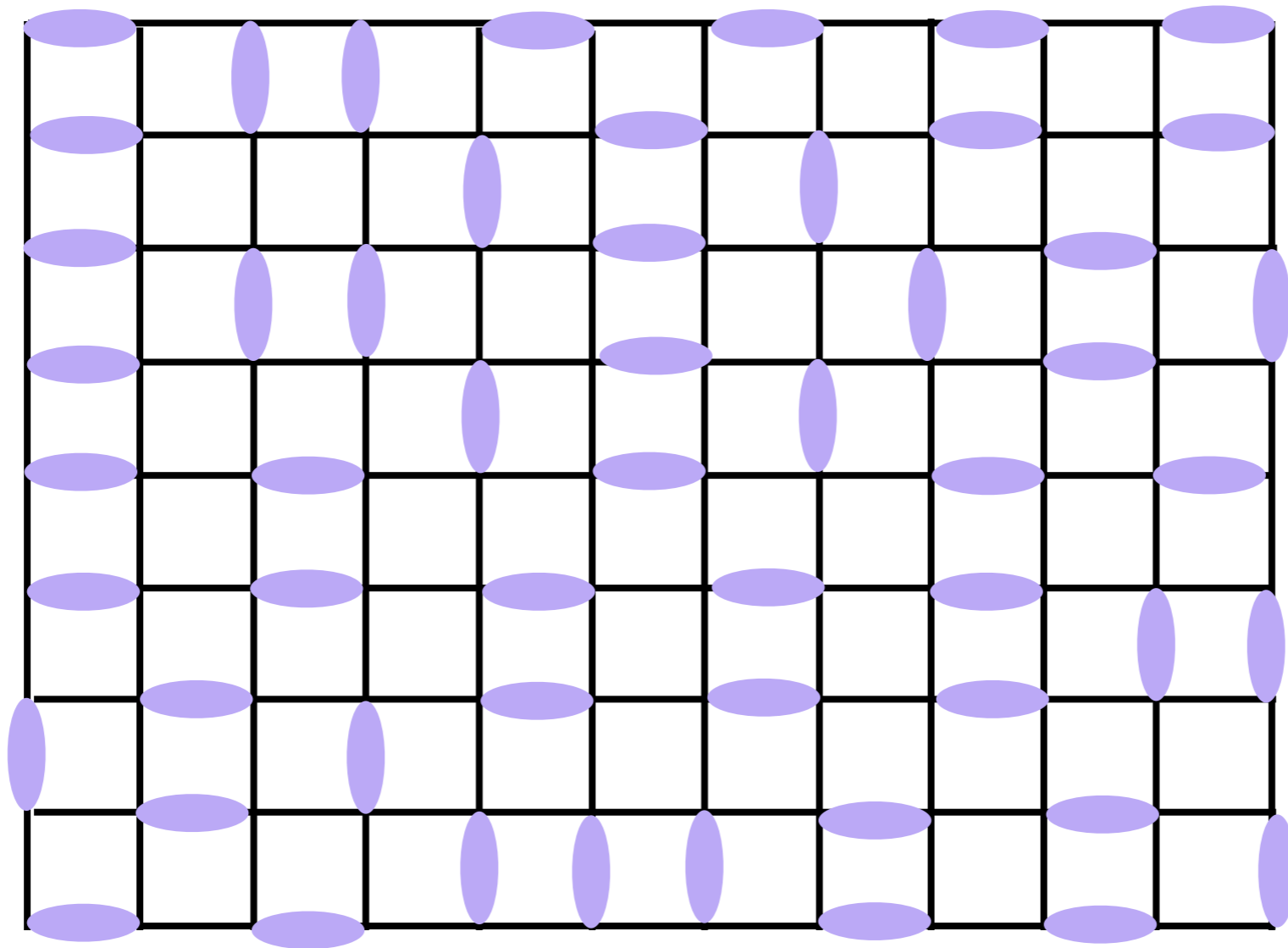
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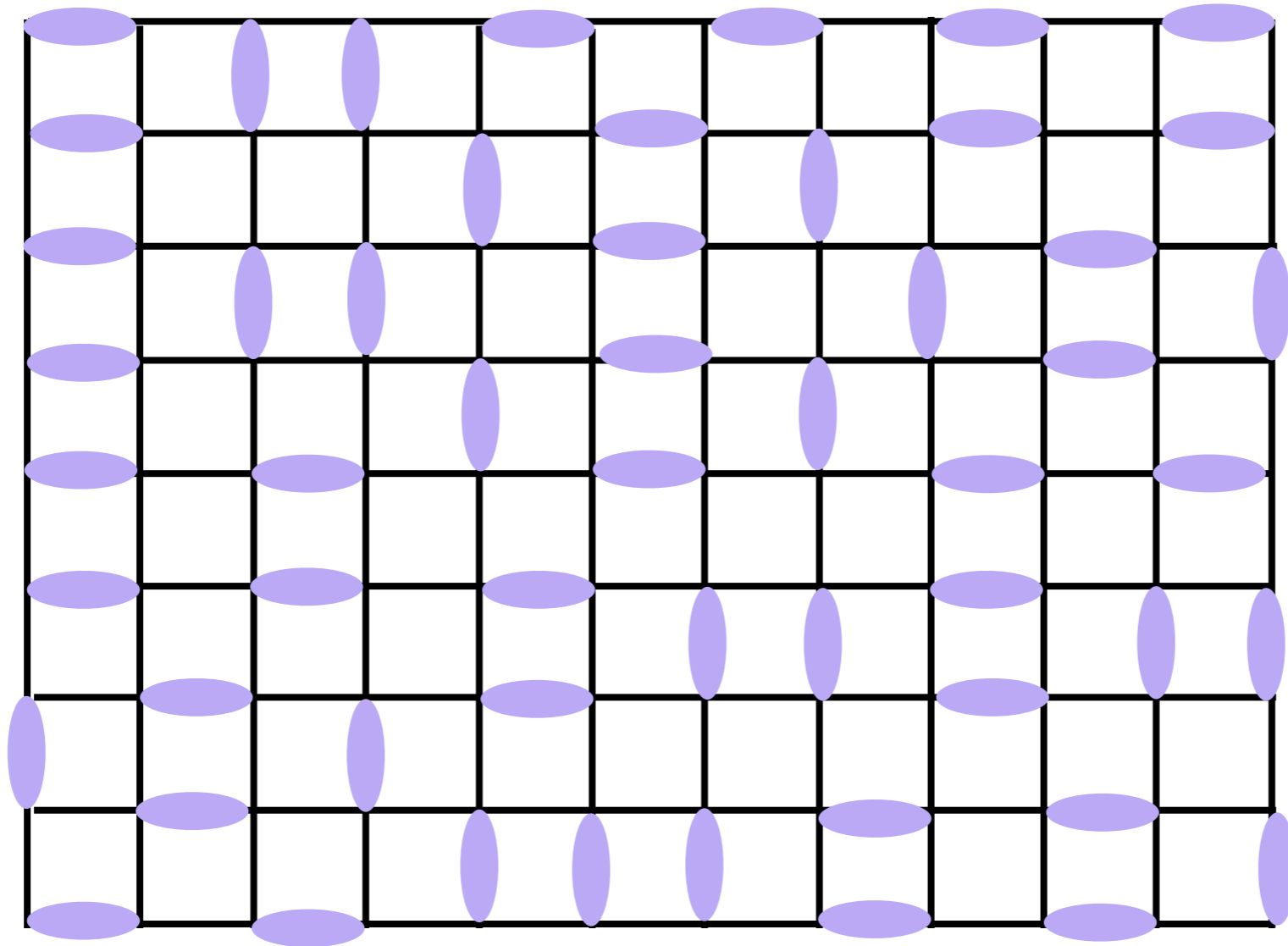
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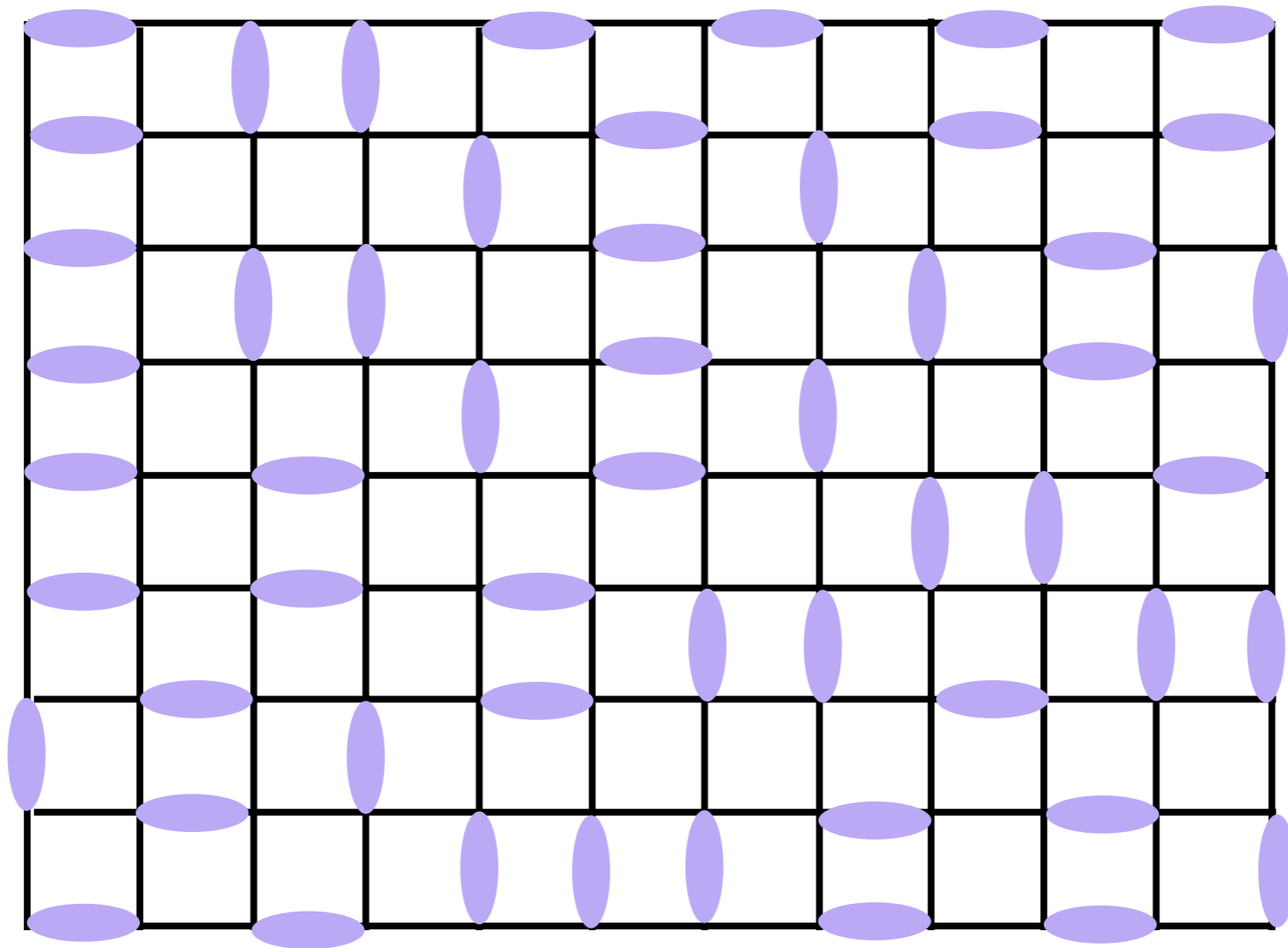
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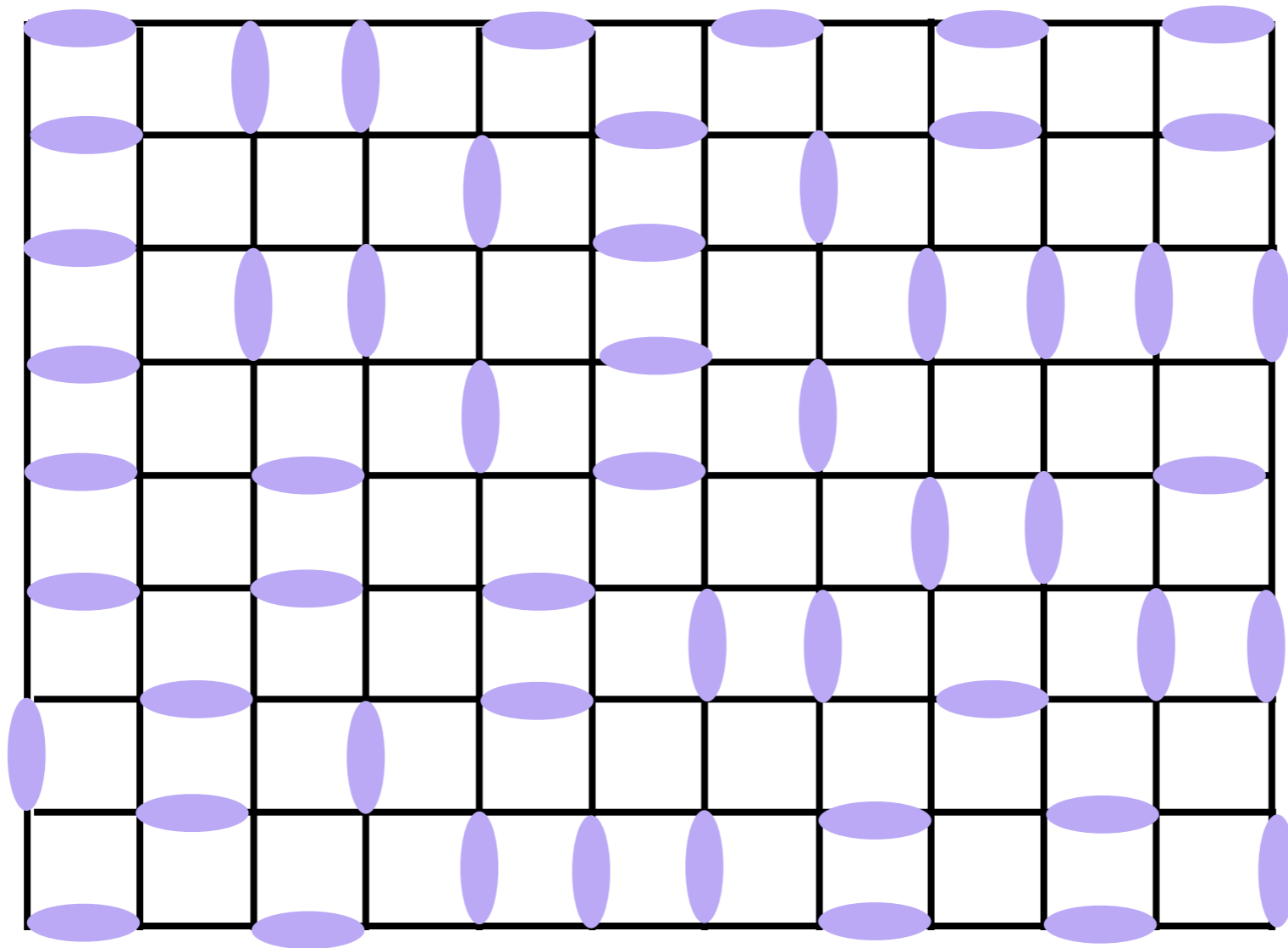
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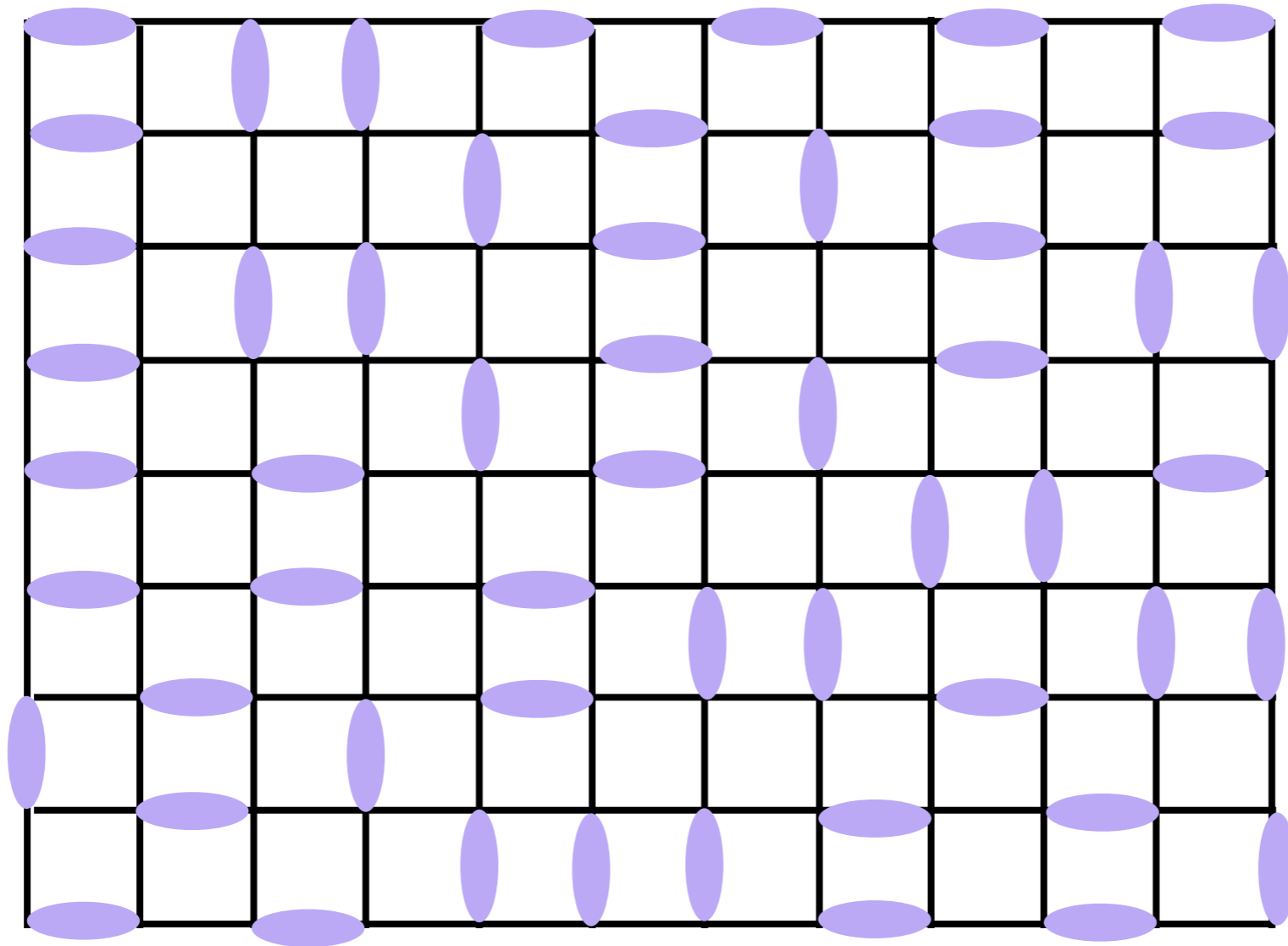
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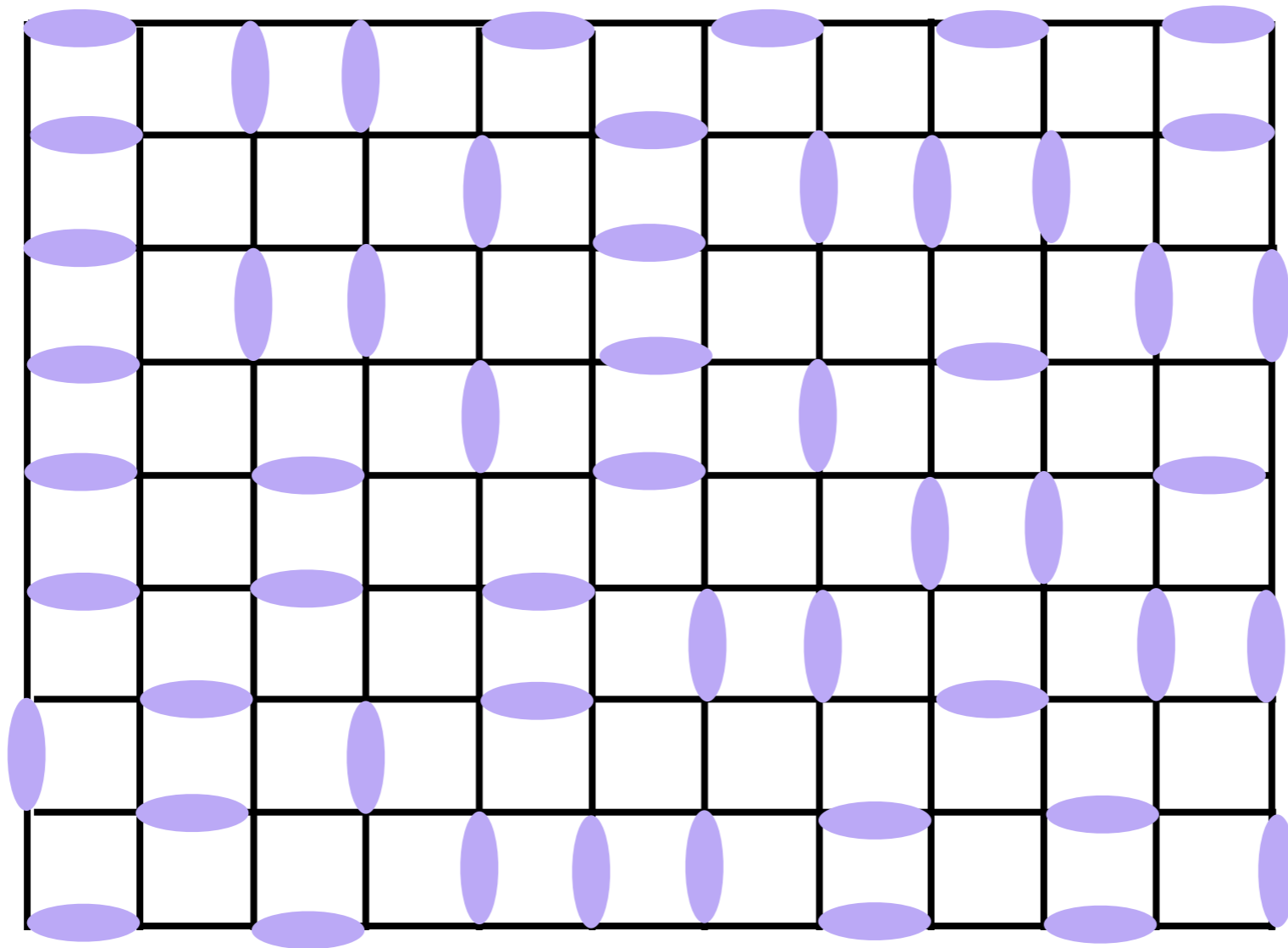
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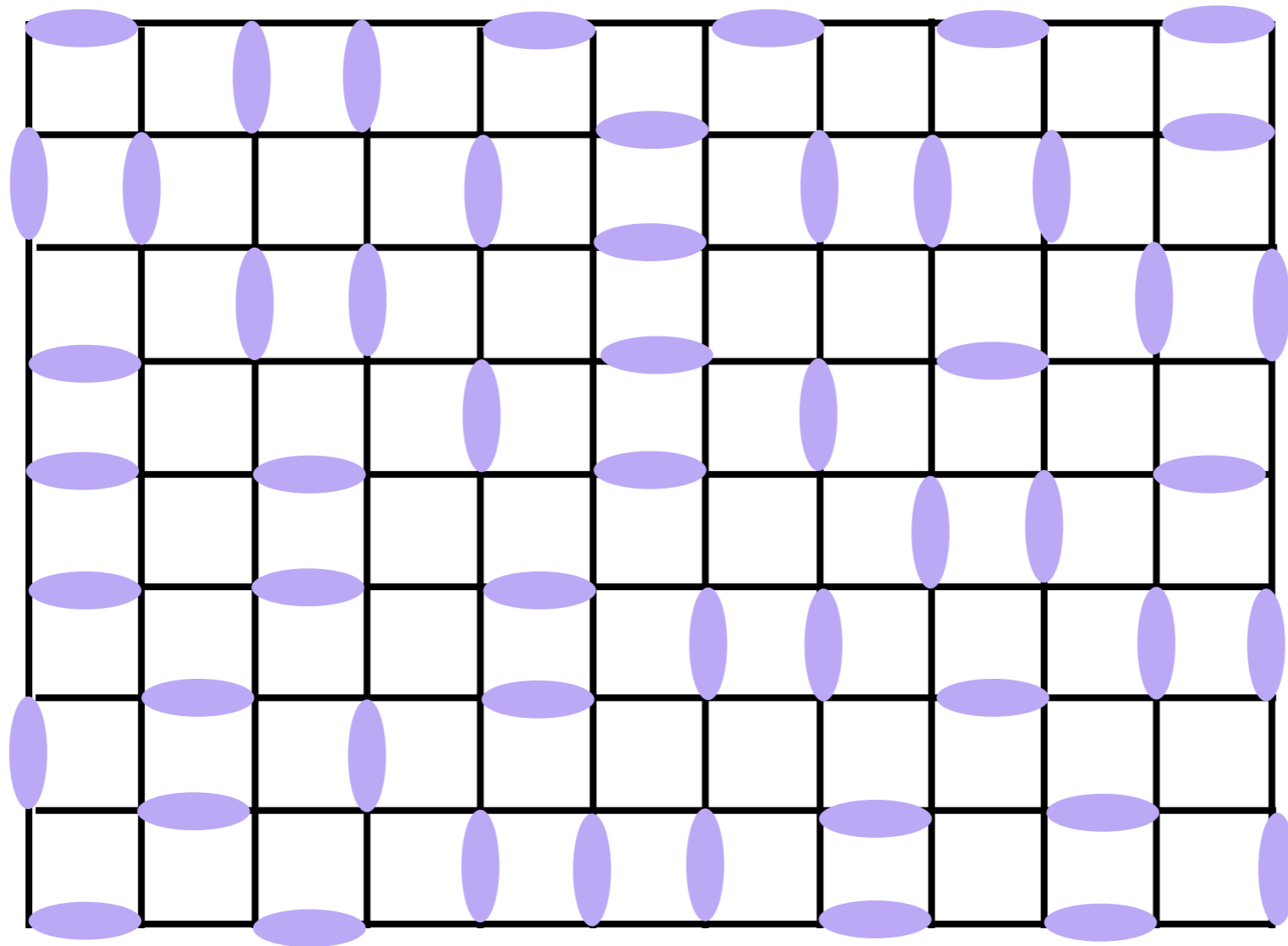
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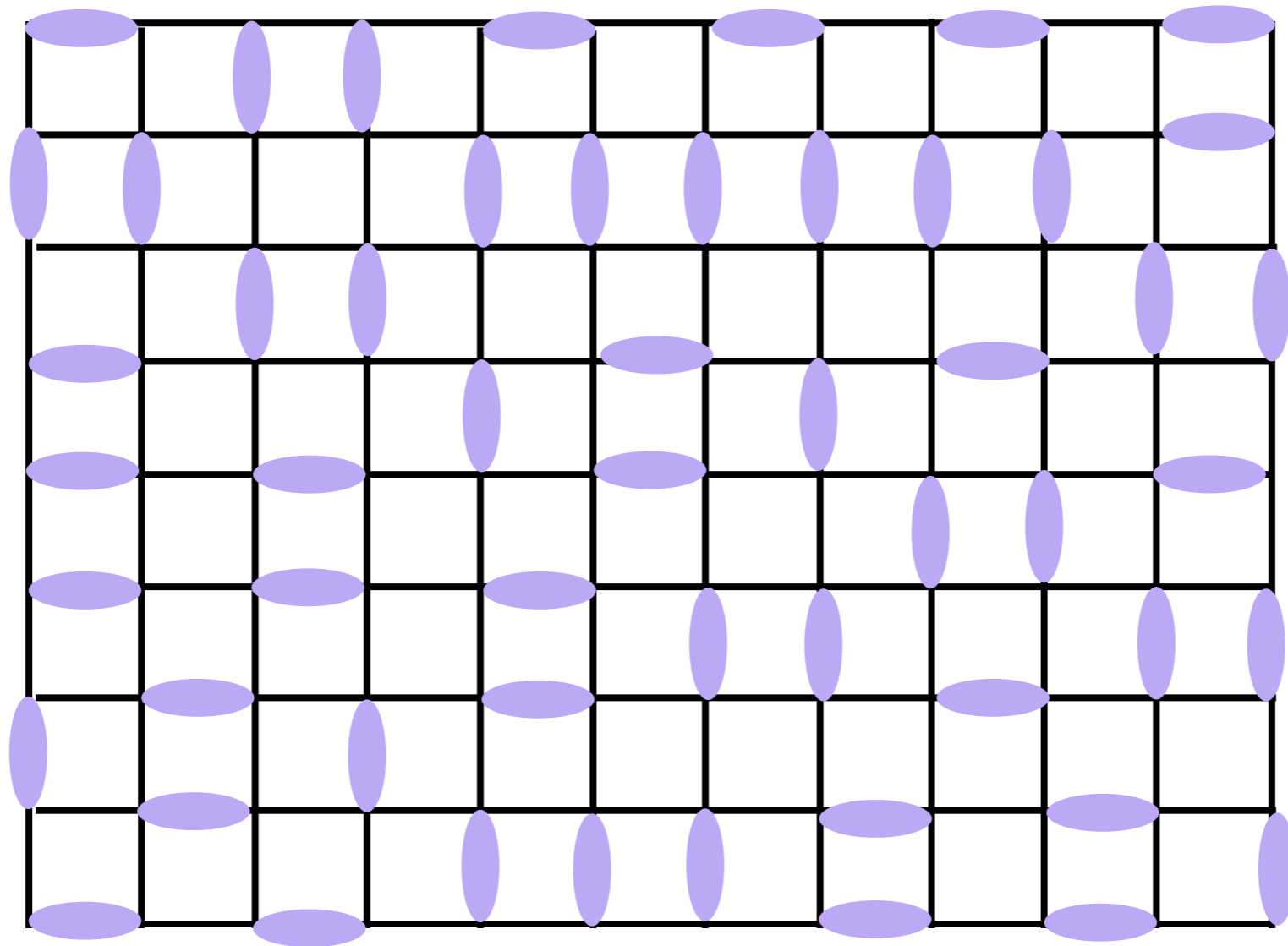
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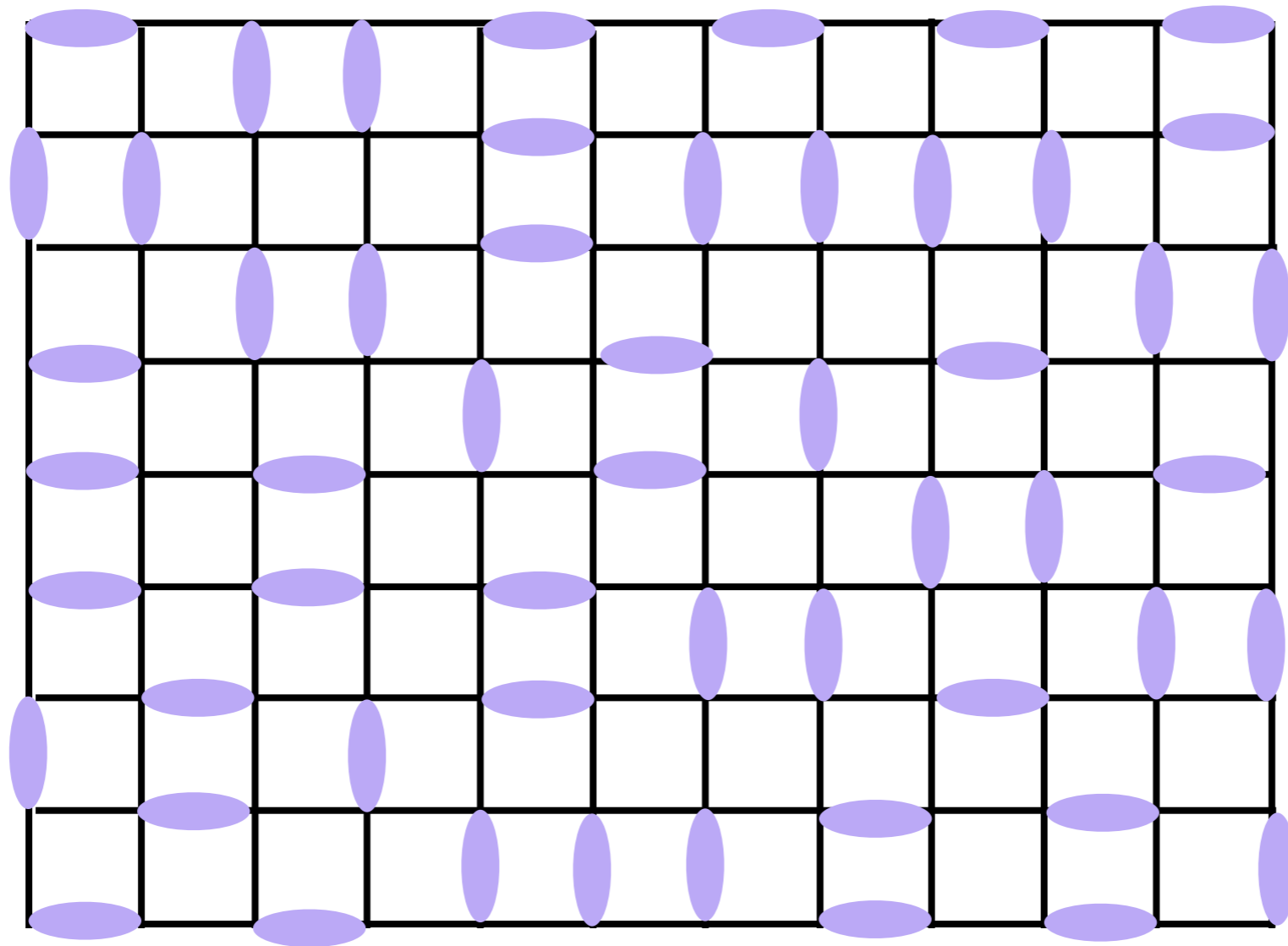
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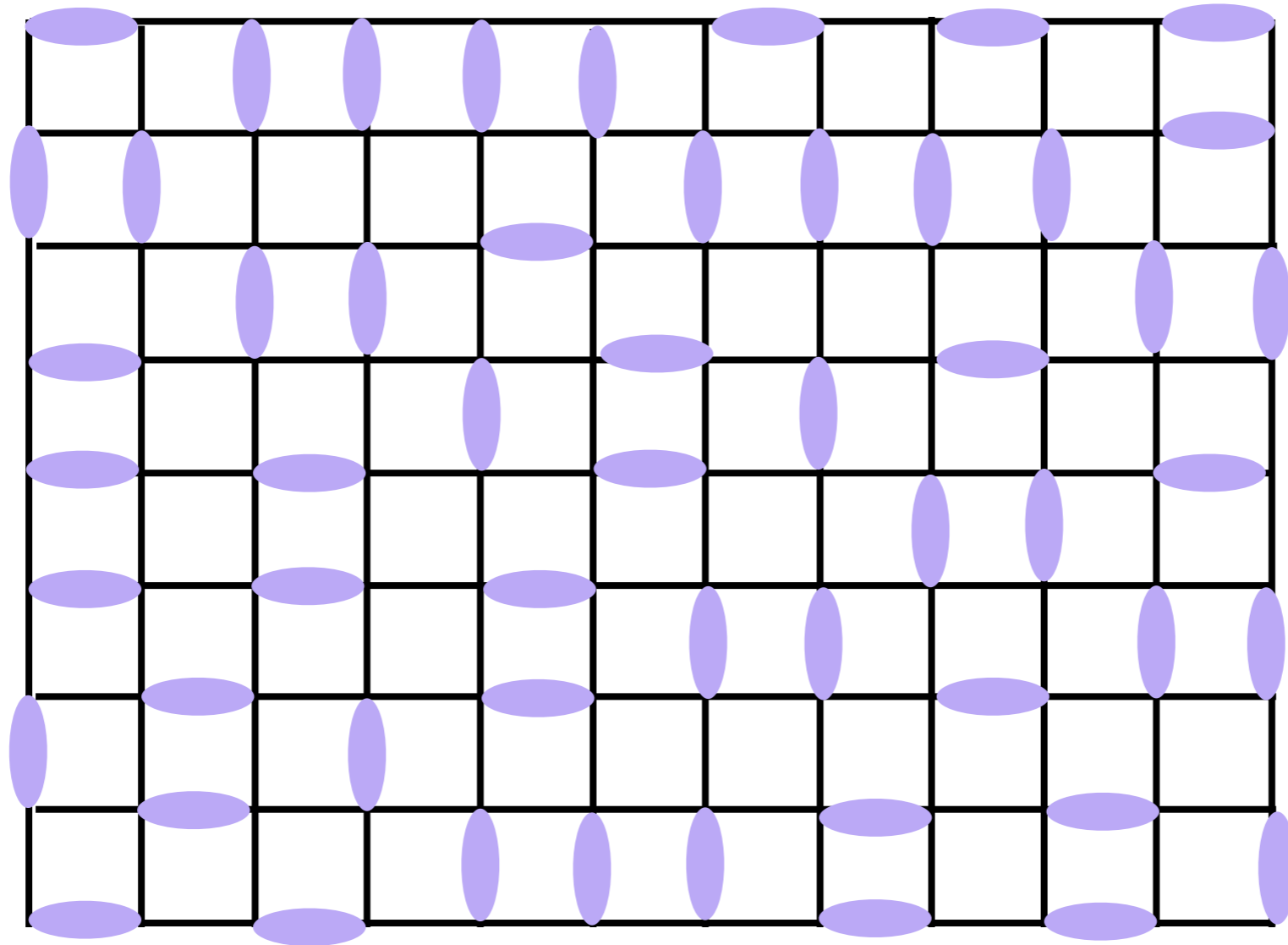
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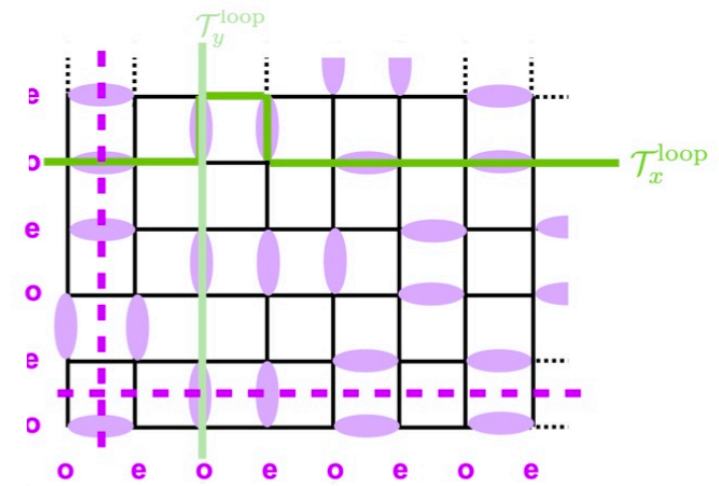
Dimers on the square lattice



Quantum dimer model with interlayer coupling

- quantum dimer model on the square lattice

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= \sum_{\square} -t \hat{T}_{\square} + v \hat{V}_{\square} \\ &= \sum_{\square} -t (|\square\rangle \langle \square| + |\square\rangle \langle \square|) + v (|\square\rangle \langle \square| + |\square\rangle \langle \square|) \end{aligned}$$



winding numbers $W_{\alpha} = N_o - N_e$
 $\alpha = x, y$

- work at Rokhsar-Kivelson (RK) point: $t = v$

▶ spectrum is positive-semidefinite: $\mathcal{H}|\Psi\rangle = E_n|\Psi\rangle \quad E_n \geq 0$

▶ ground state: $|\Psi\rangle = \sum_D |D\rangle$

$$S_A \sim \text{sub-volume}$$

⇒ quantum dimer model on square lattice with ground states in critical U(1) spin liquid phase

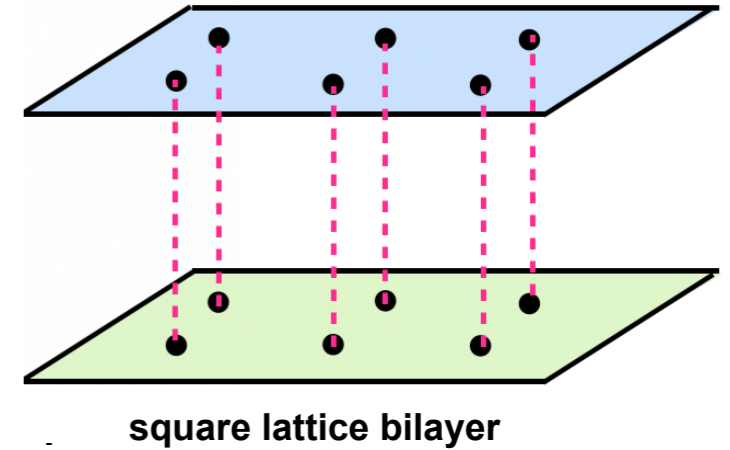
⇒ ground state degeneracy depends on lattice dimensions (Lx, Ly): $-\frac{L_{x(y)}}{2} \leq W_{x(y)} \leq +\frac{L_{x(y)}}{2}$

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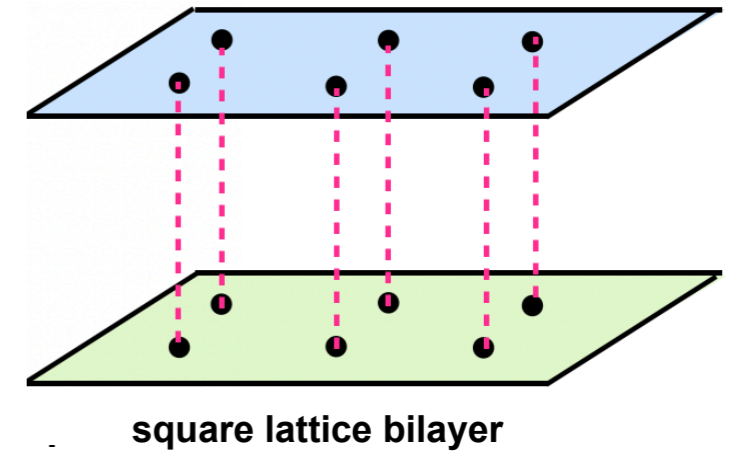
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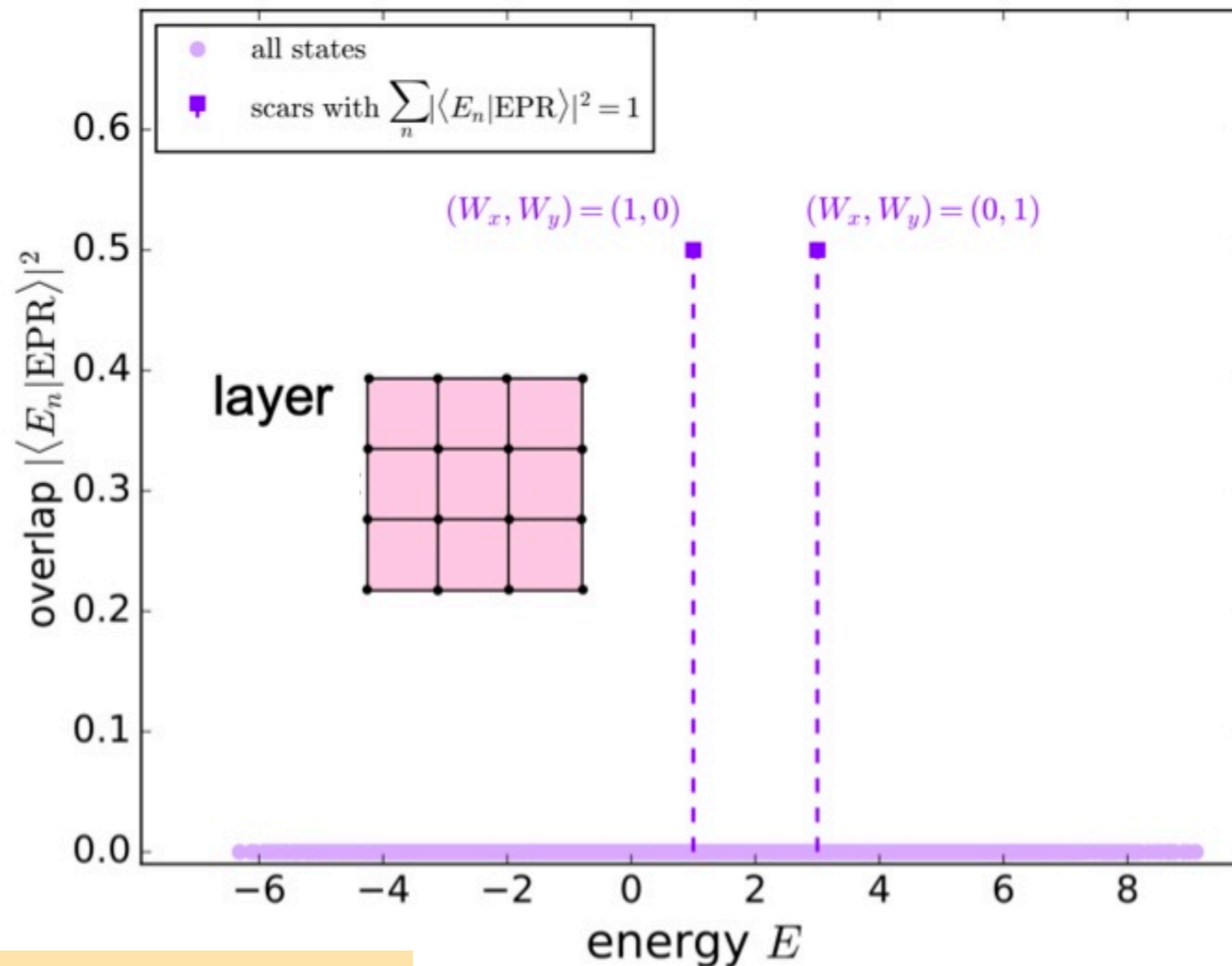
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perfectly correlated: dimer configurations identical in both layers

Quantum dimer model with interlayer coupling



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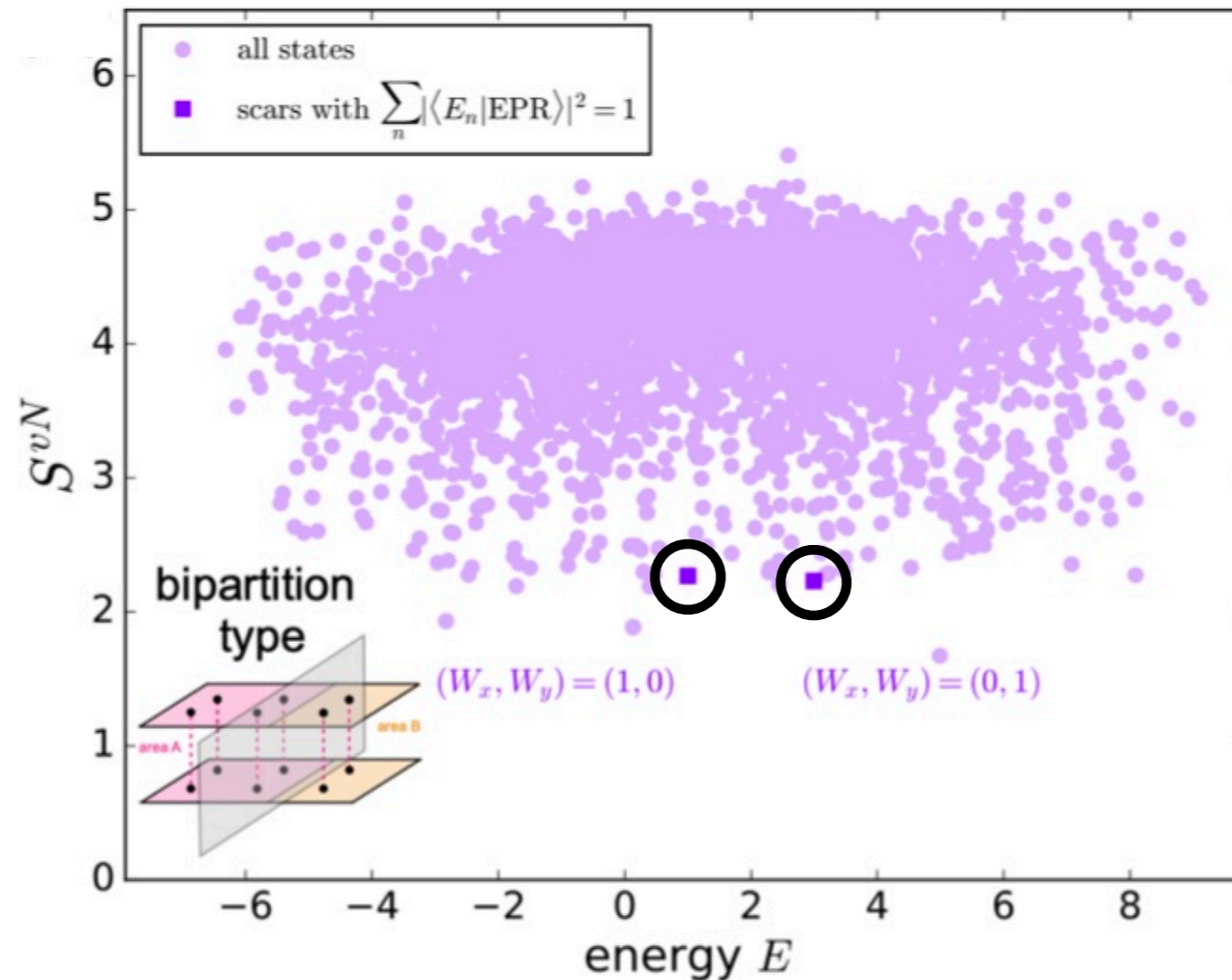
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**tower of 2 critical U(1)
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Quantum dimer model with interlayer coupling



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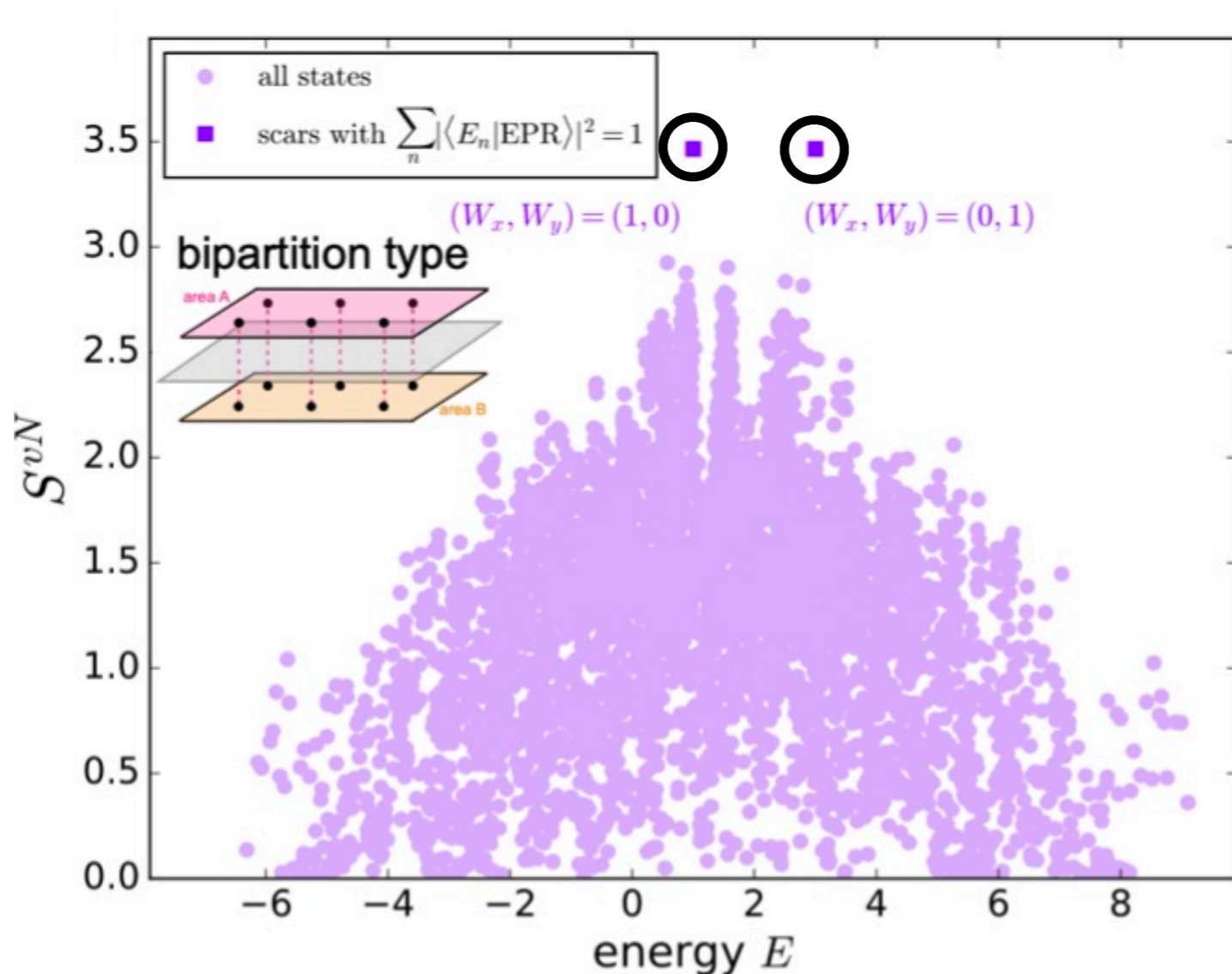
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note that entanglement depends on choice of bipartition

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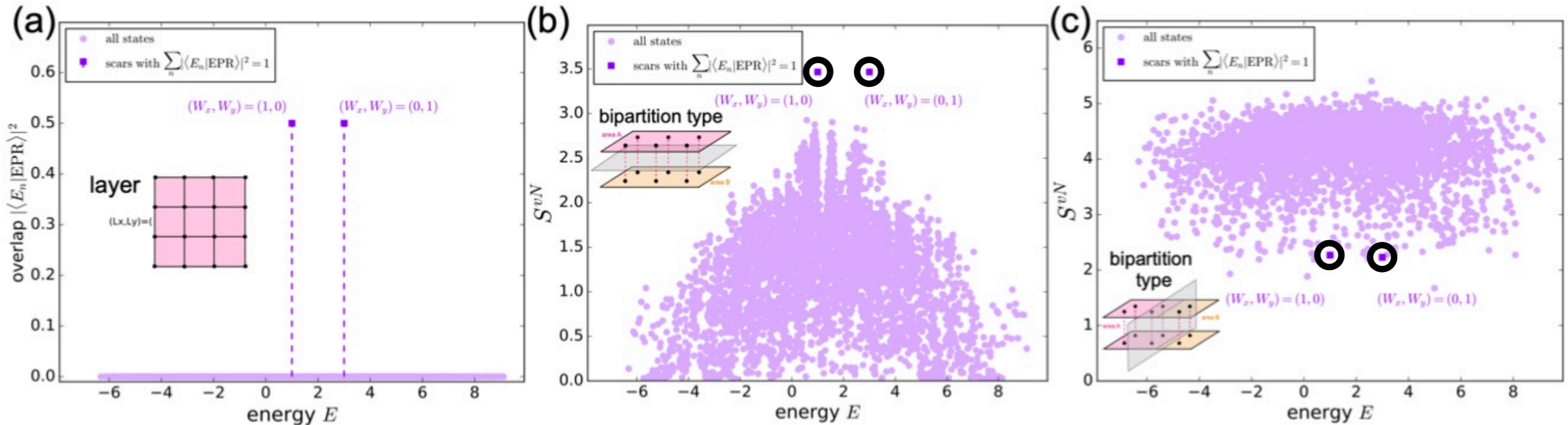
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Bose-Hubbard model with interlayer coupling

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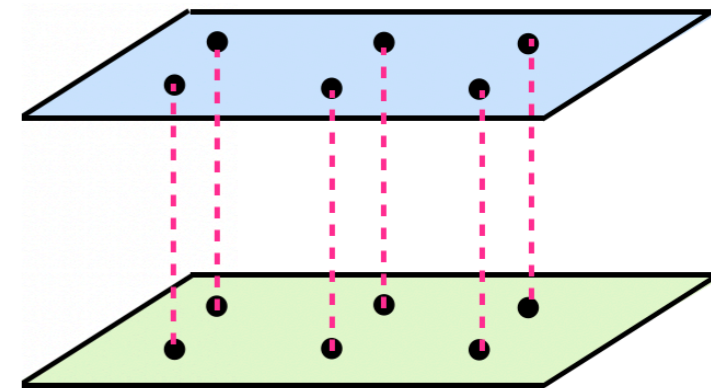
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square lattice bilayer

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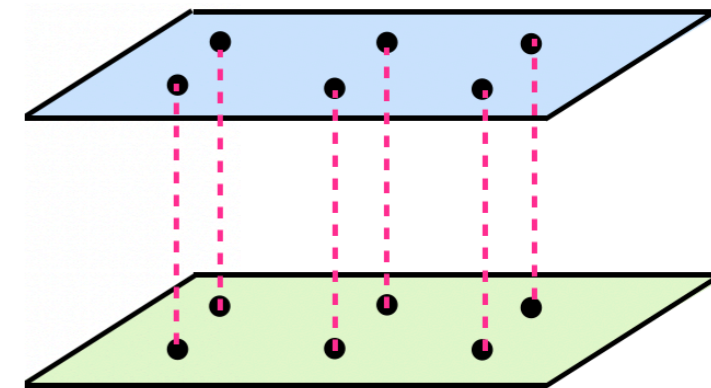
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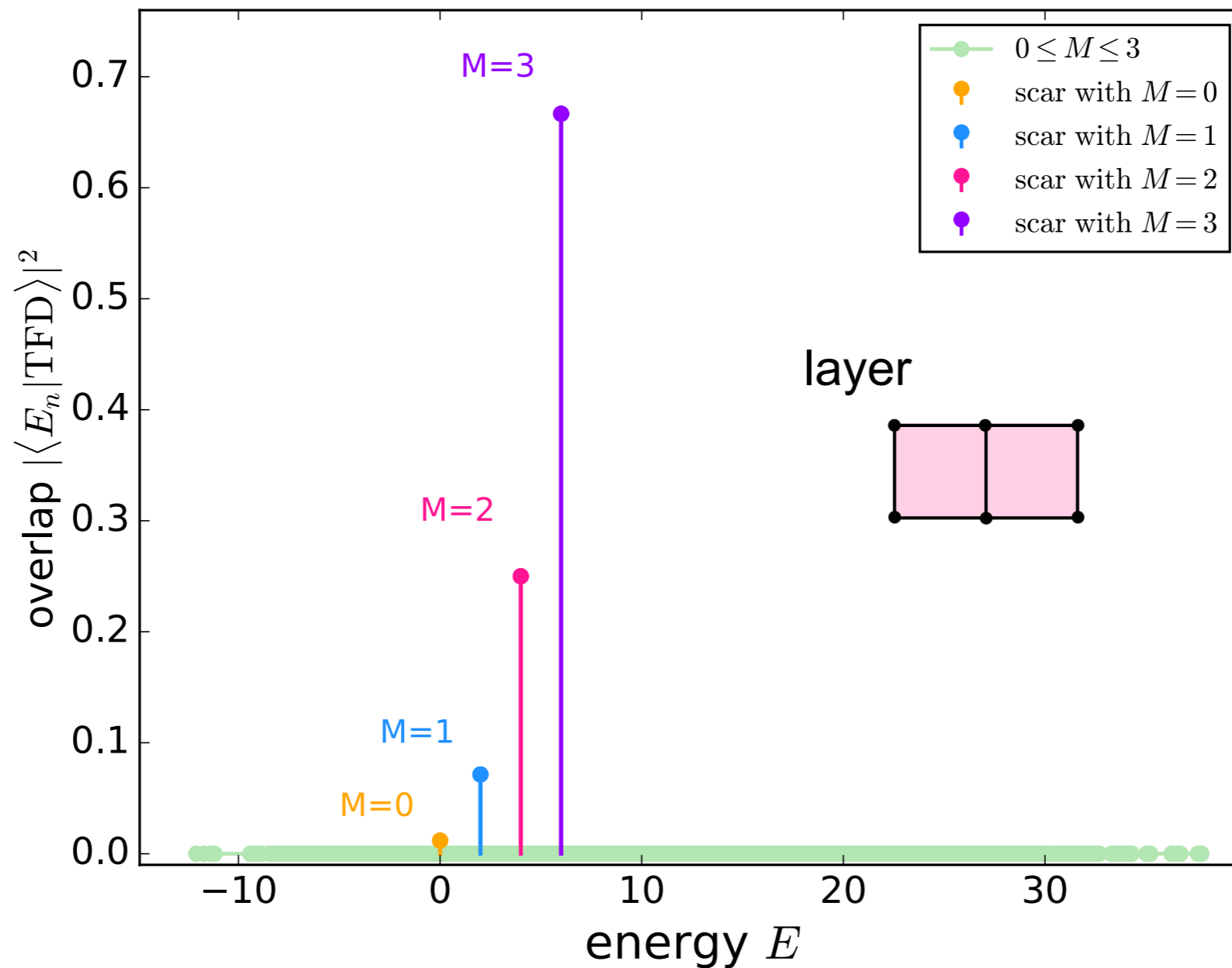
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sector M bosons

$$|\text{EPR}\rangle_M = \mathcal{P}_M \left[\bigotimes_{i \leq N} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_{BH}}} \sum_{n=0}^M |n, n\rangle \right)_{i, \tilde{i}} \right]$$

“bosonic configurations identical in both layers”

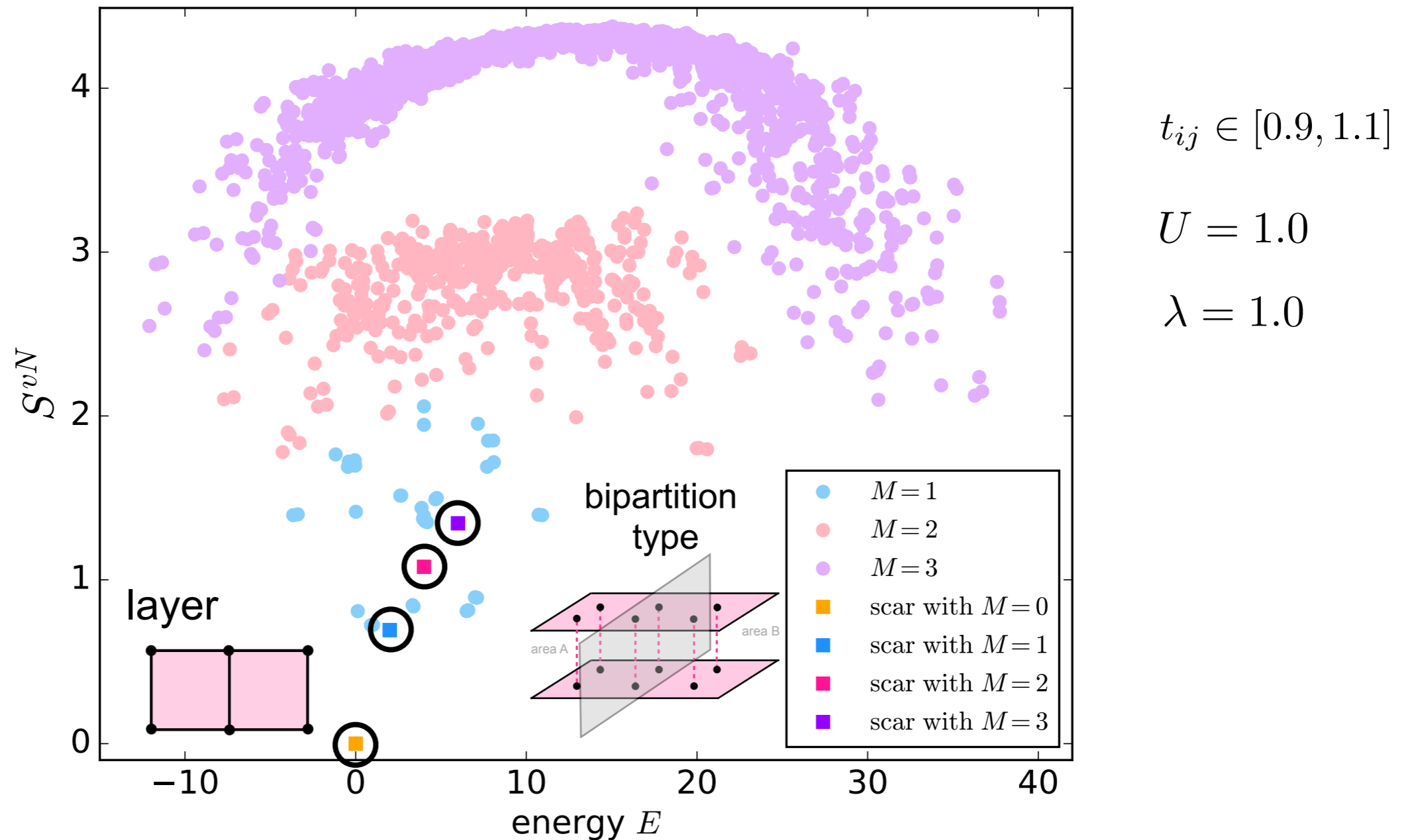
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tower of 4 scar states

Bose-Hubbard model with interlayer coupling



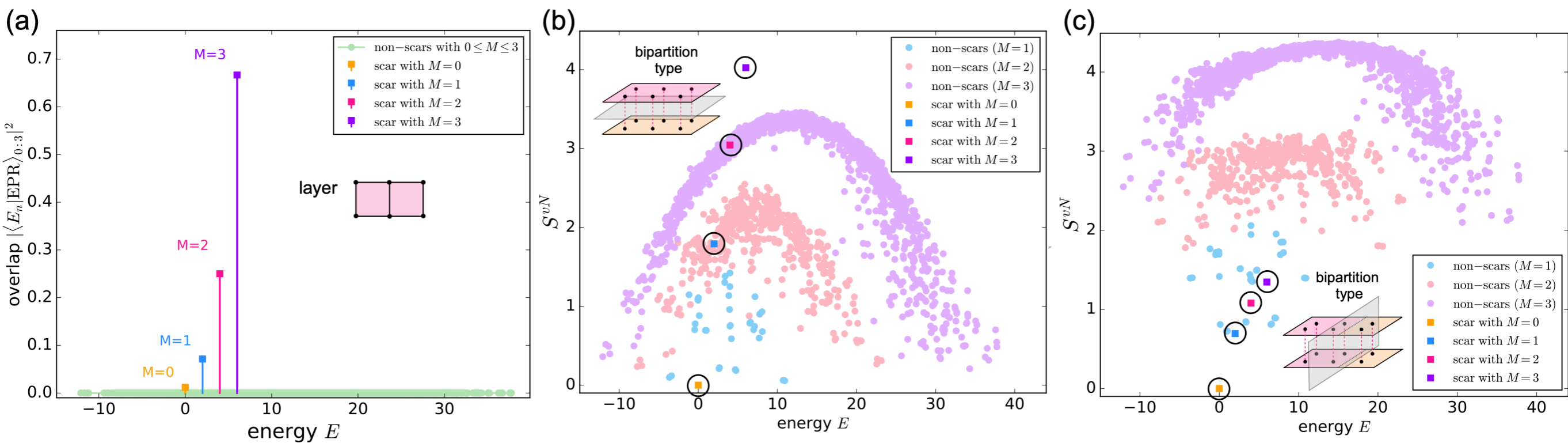
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scar states with simple entanglement structure

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scar states with simple entanglement structure

Bilayer triangular lattice Heisenberg model

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j \quad \mathcal{H}_2 = -\mathcal{H}_1$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{12} = \lambda \sum_i \vec{S}_i \otimes \vec{S}_i$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathbb{I} + \mathbb{I} \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 + \mathcal{H}_{12}$$

$$\implies \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathcal{H} + S_{\text{tot}}^2 + S_{\text{tot}}^2$$

$$J_{ij} \in [0.9, 1.1] \quad \lambda = 1.0$$

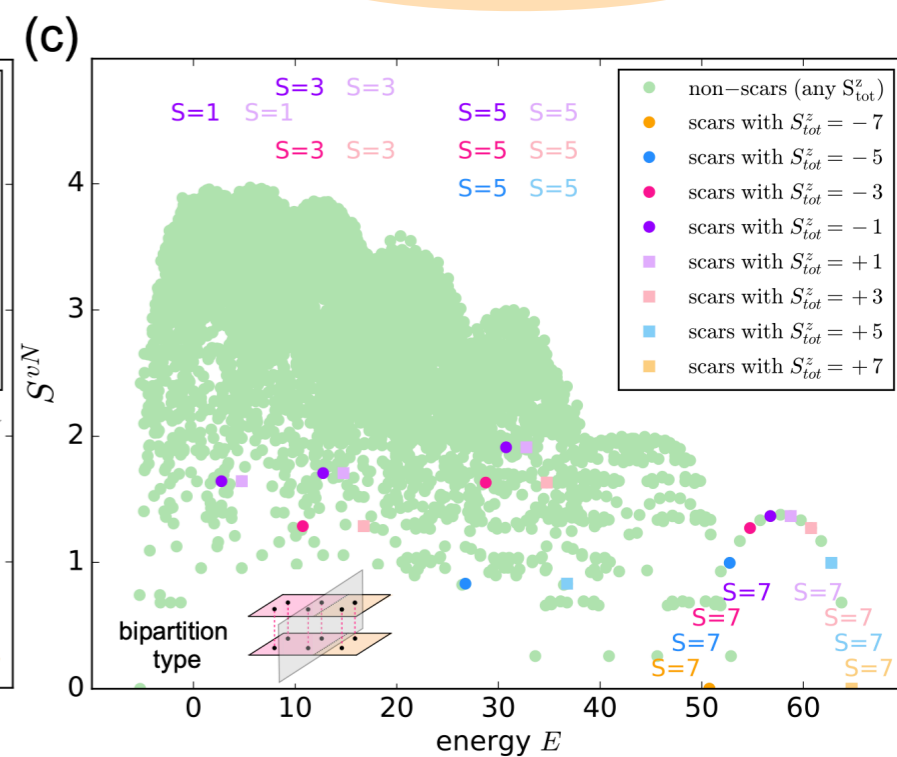
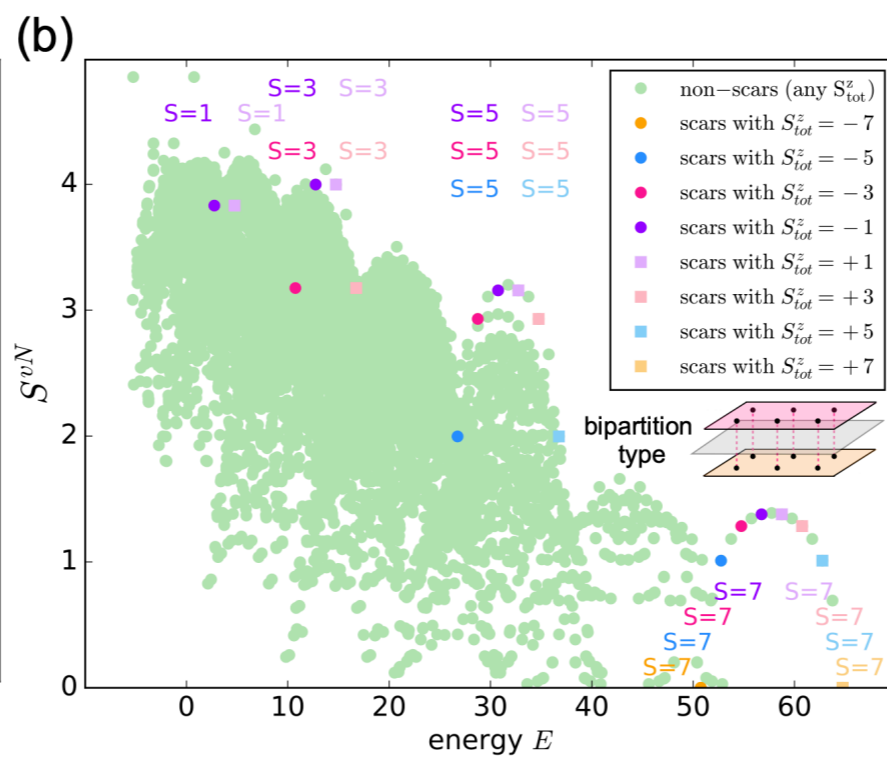
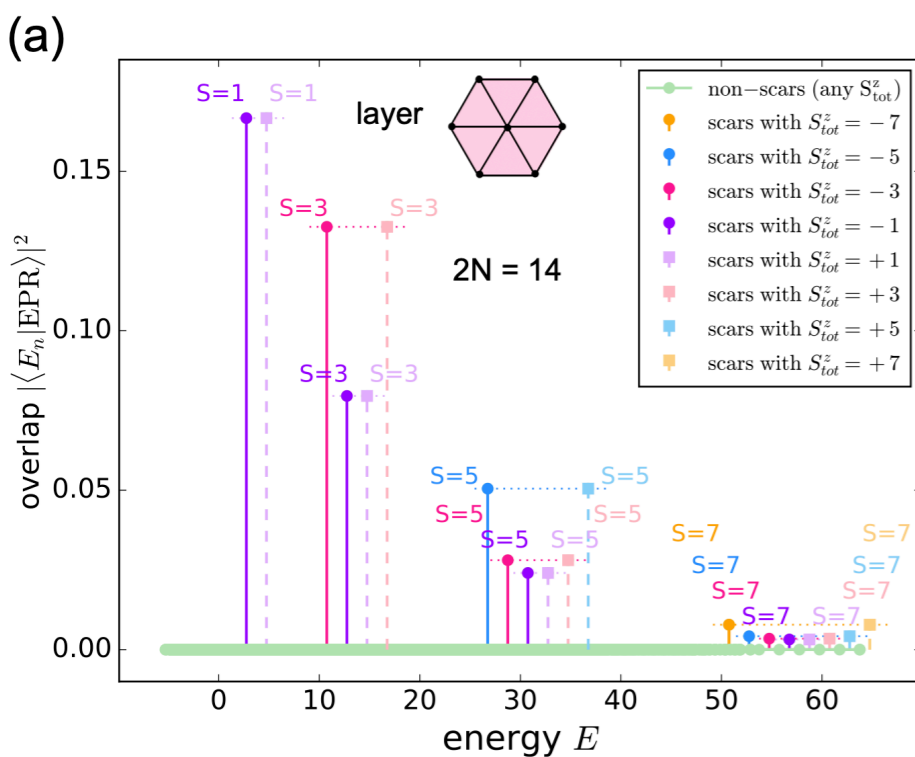
SU(2) symmetry

$$S_{\text{tot}}^z = S_{\text{tot}}^{z,1} + S_{\text{tot}}^{z,2} = \sum_i S_i^z \otimes \mathbb{I} + \mathbb{I} \otimes S_i^z$$

$$S_{\text{tot}}^2 = \left(\sum_i \vec{S}_i \otimes \mathbb{I} + \mathbb{I} \otimes \vec{S}_i \right)^2$$

Bilayer Triangular Lattice Heisenberg Model								
S_{tot}^z	-7	-5	-3	-1	+1	+3	+5	+7
total spin S_{tot}	7	5,7	3,5,7	1,3,5,7	1,3,5,7	3,5,7	5,7	7
N_{scars}	1	2	3	4	4	3	2	1

20 scar states



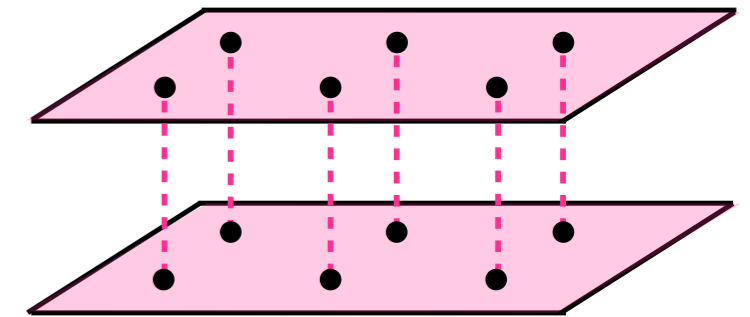
Summary

Quantum many-body scar states

- **background on quantum many-body scars**

- ▶ billiard Bunimovich stadium, Rydberg experiment at Harvard
- ▶ PXP model and its experimental realization

- **2D bilayer systems of various degrees of freedom:
spins, bosons, fermions, quantum dimers, ...**



2D bilayer system

Wildeboer et al., PRB 106 (2022)

- **future**

- ▶ mechanism for scar existence?
- ▶ How far are the applications for quantum many-body scars (quantum information)?
- ▶ quantum many-body scars in an actual compound \longleftrightarrow theory & experiment collaboration in the CMPMSD at BNL

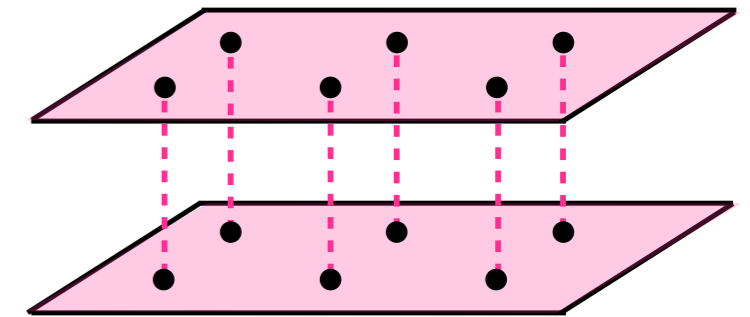
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2D bilayer system

Wildeboer et al., PRB 106 (2022)

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