

Cold atoms, free fermions and the Kardar-Parisi-Zhang equation

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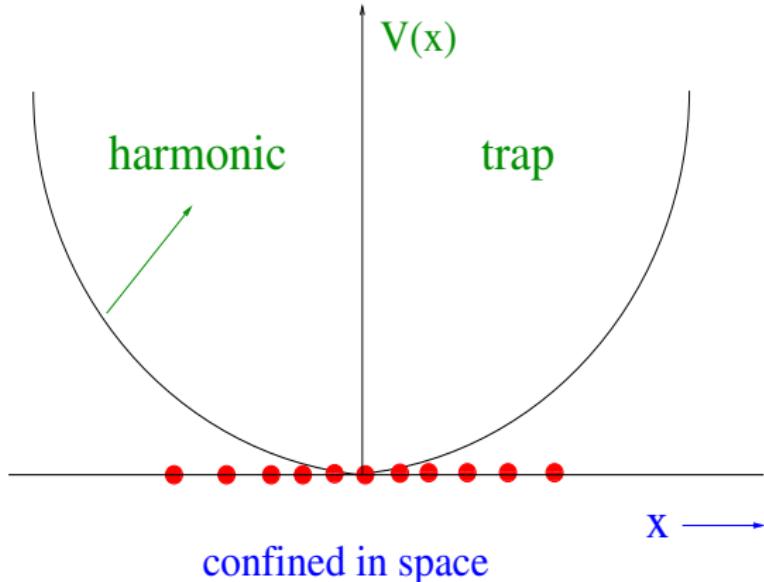
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Fermions: Pauli exclusion principle \Rightarrow rich quantum many-body physics

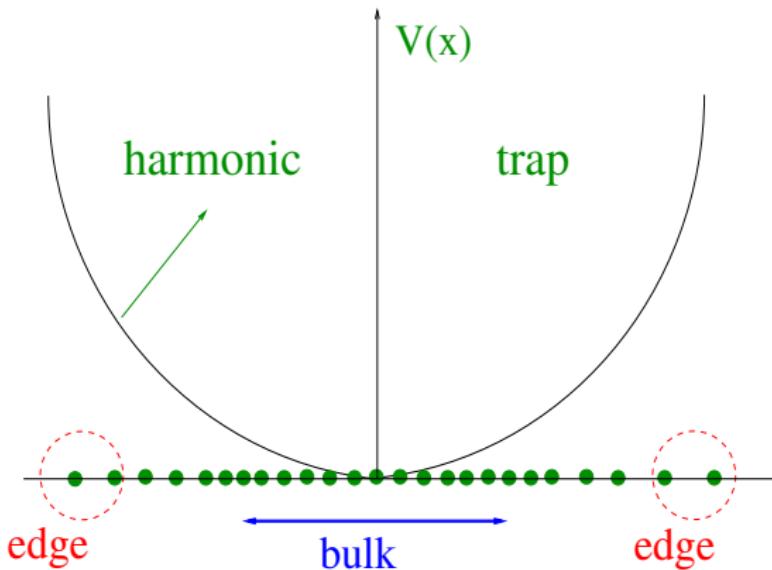
Ultracold atoms in a confining potential

A common feature of these experiments \Rightarrow presence of a **confining potential** that traps the particles within a **limited** spatial region



confined in space

Ultracold atoms in a trap → edge physics



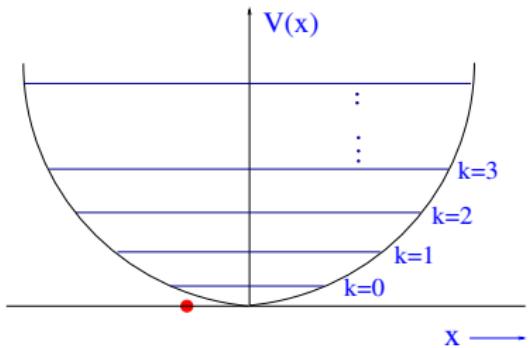
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- edge: new physics induced by confinement ⇒ universal edge properties

$T = 0$ free fermions in a 1-d harmonic trap

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Random matrix theory (RMT)

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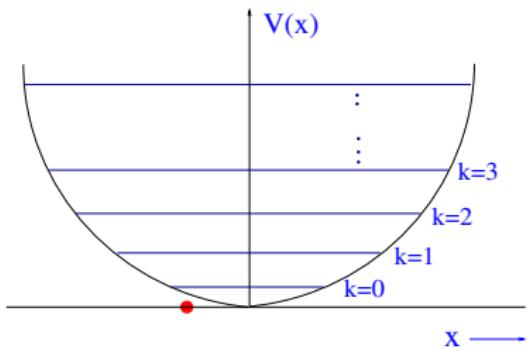
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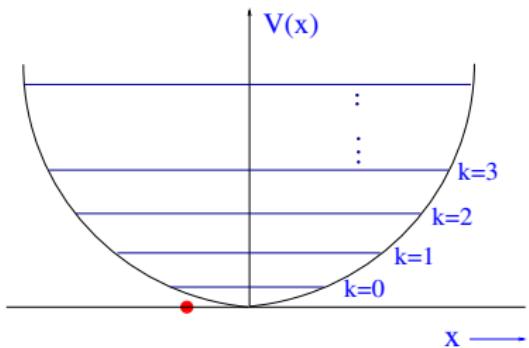
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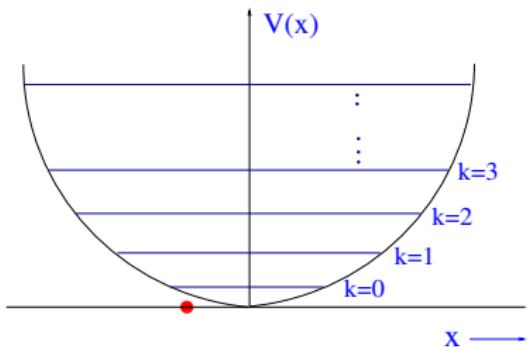
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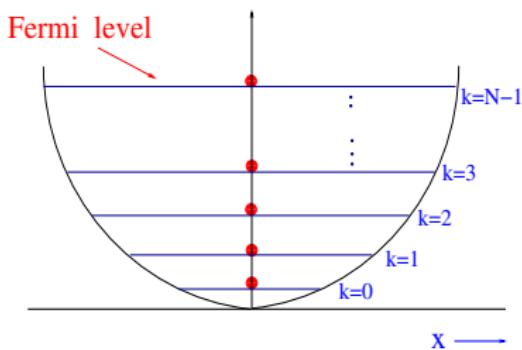
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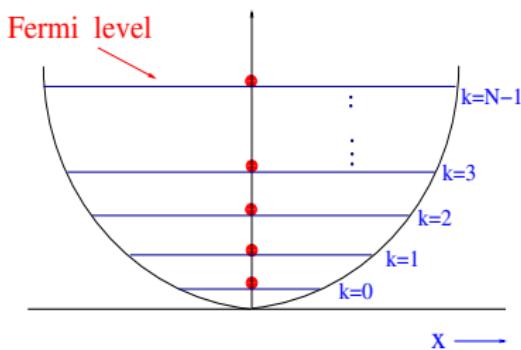
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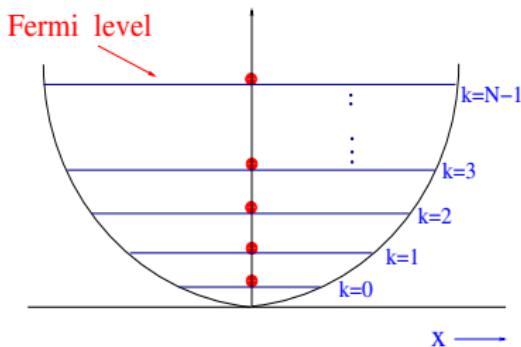
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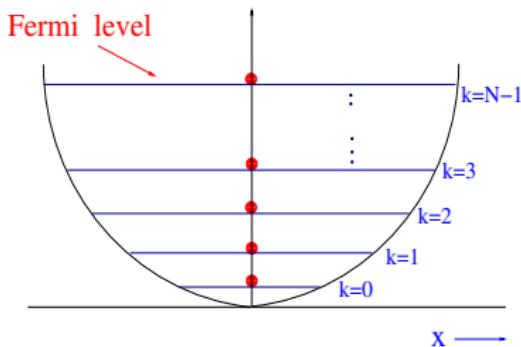
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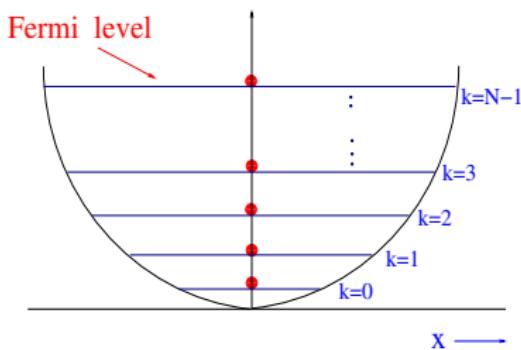
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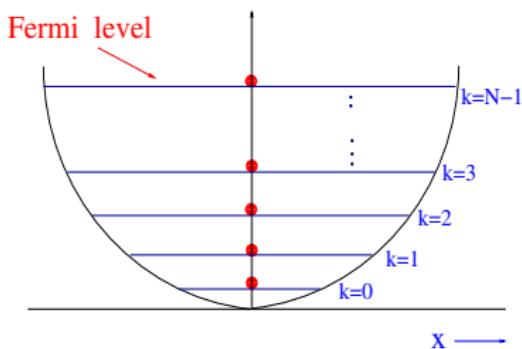
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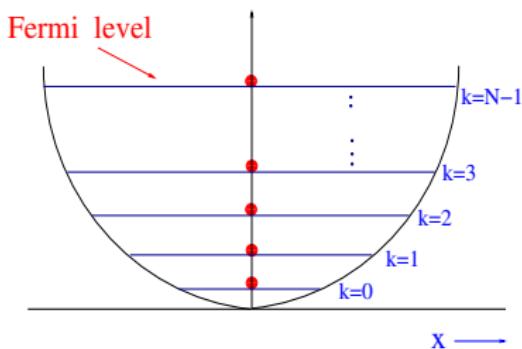
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- ⇒ The positions of free fermions in a harmonic trap at $T = 0$ behave statistically as the eigenvalues of a GUE random matrix

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Properties of fermions in a harmonic trap at $T=0$

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⇒ several spatial properties of free fermions in a harmonic trap at $T = 0$ can directly be obtained from the known results in random matrix theory (RMT)

Eisler '13, Marino, S.M., Schehr, Vivo, '14, Calabrese, Le Doussal, S.M., '15, ...

RMT predictions
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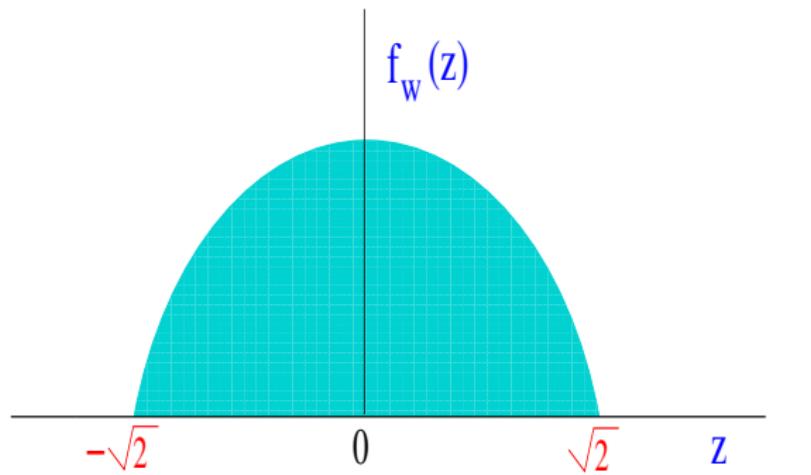
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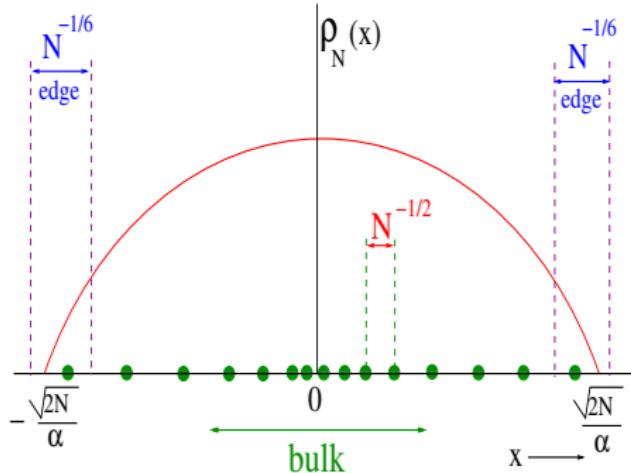
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(see also Local Density (or Thomas-Fermi) Approx. in the fermion literature)

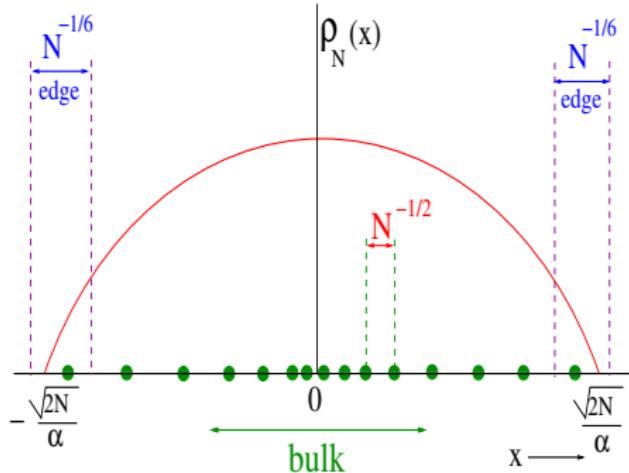


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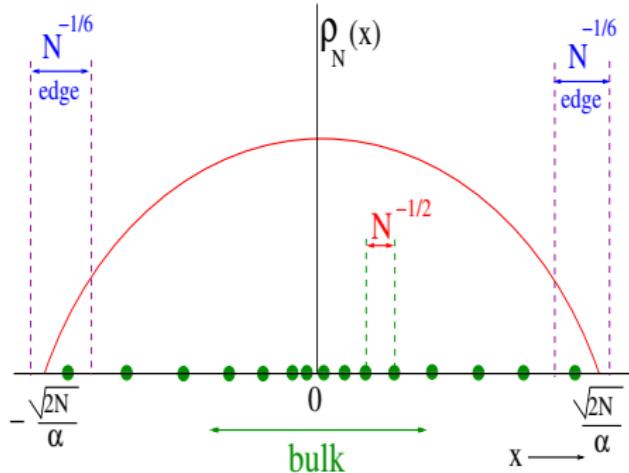
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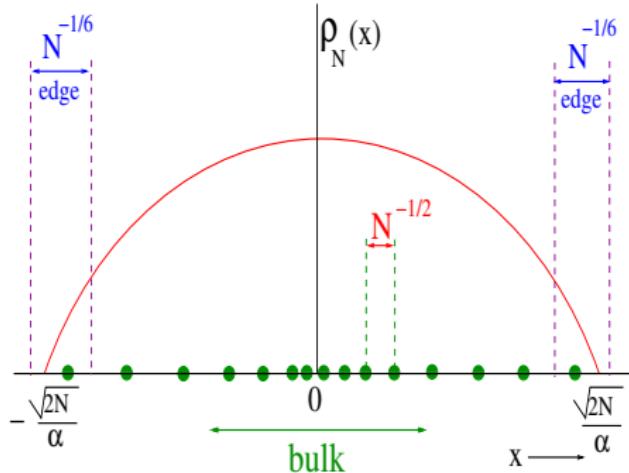
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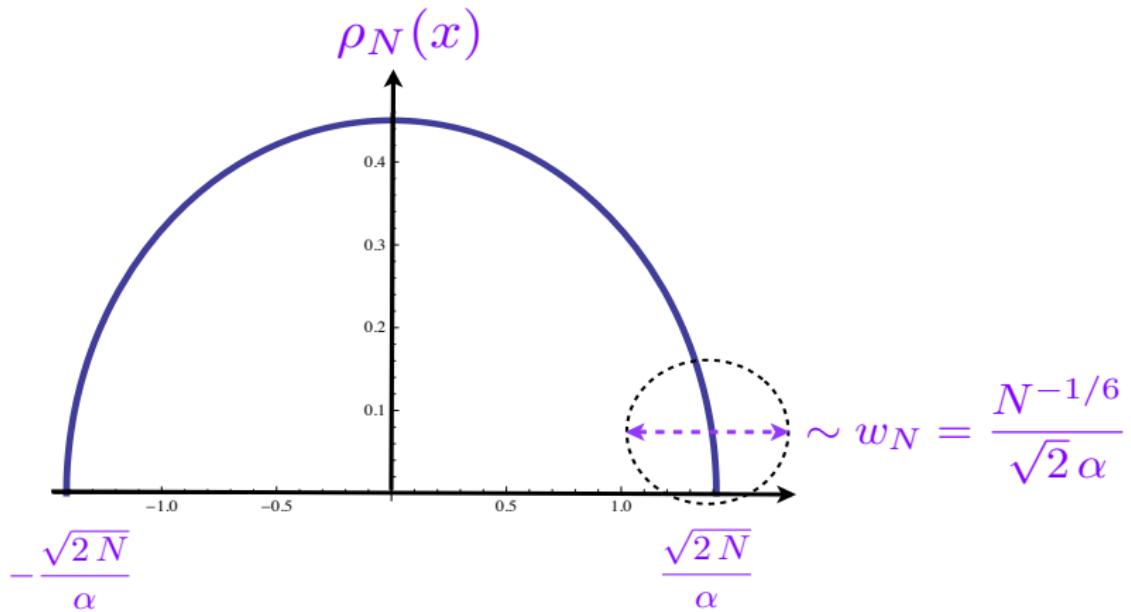


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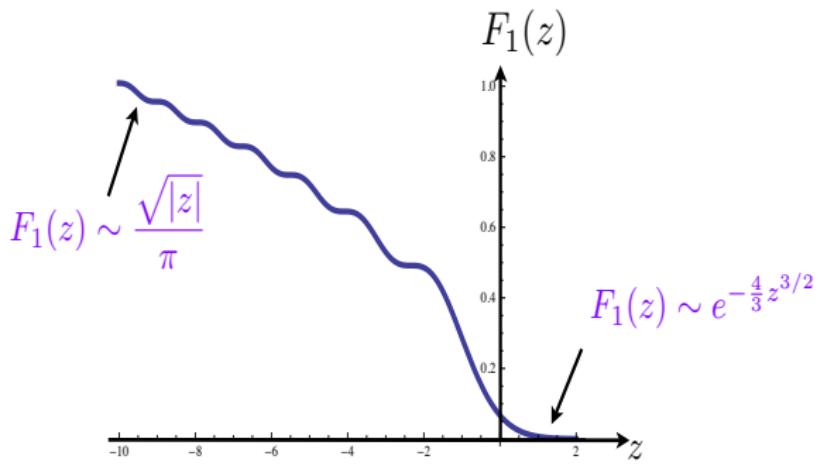
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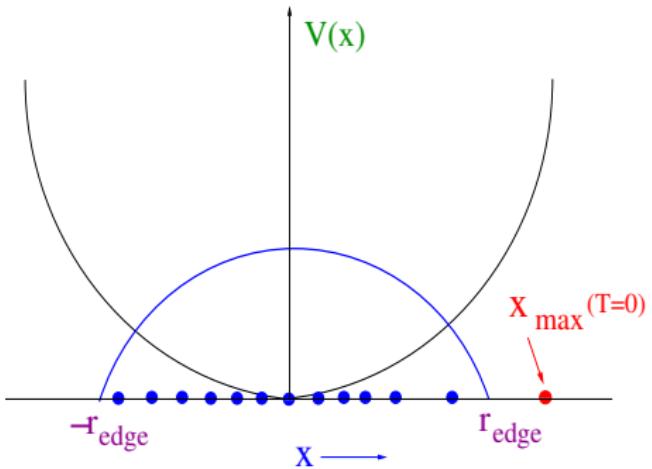
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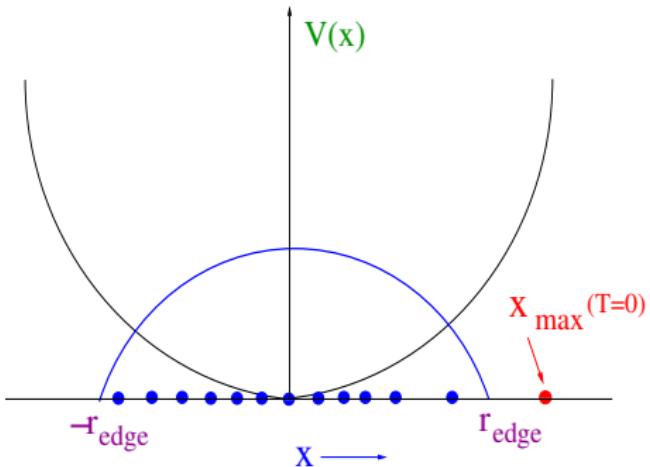
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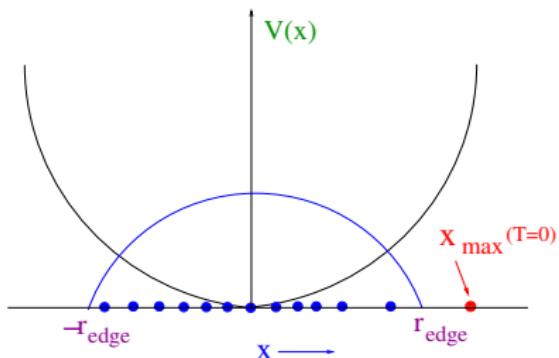
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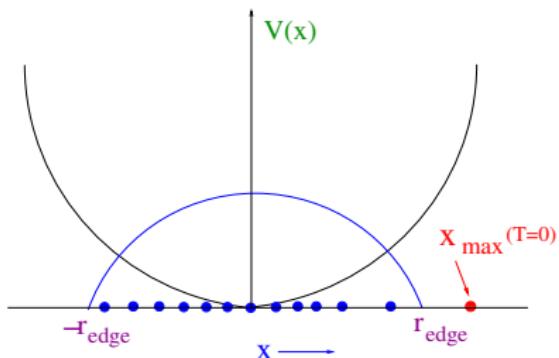
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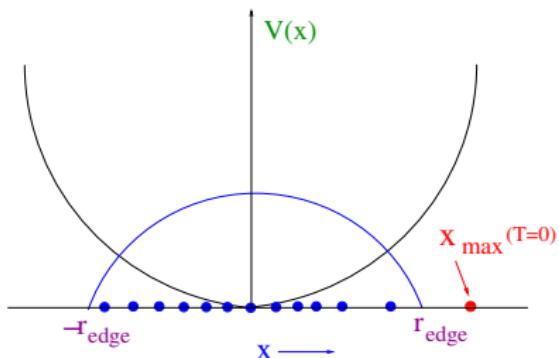
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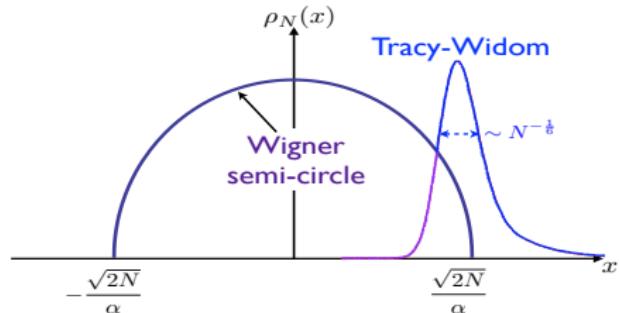
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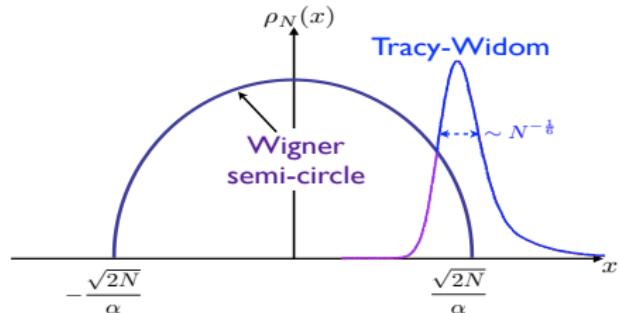
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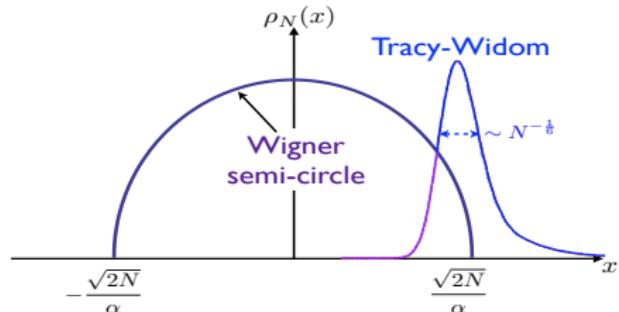
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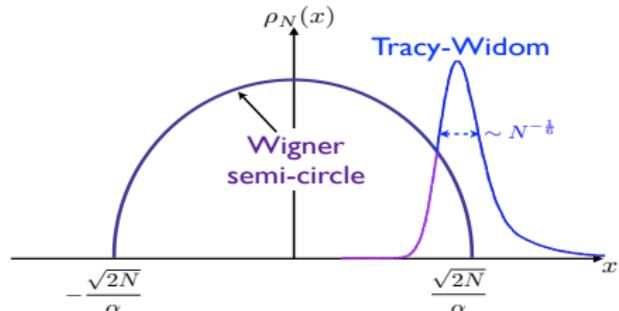


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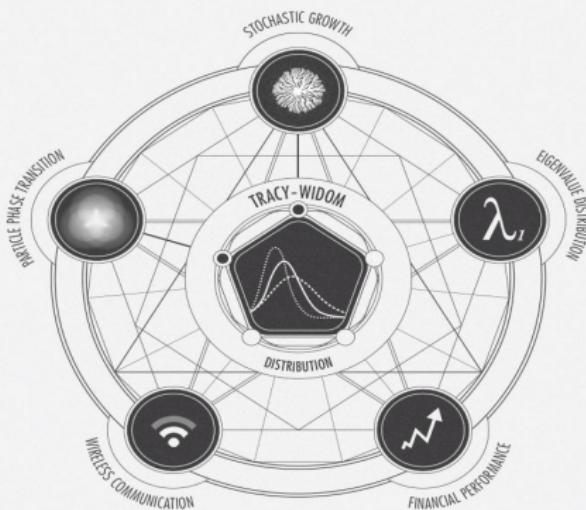


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One of the main conclusions:

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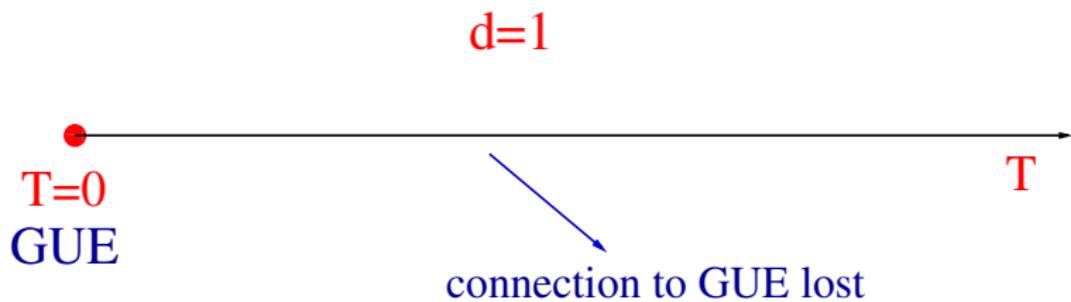
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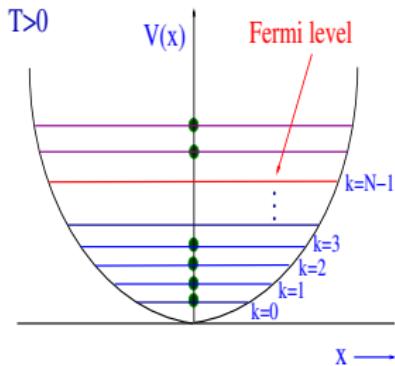
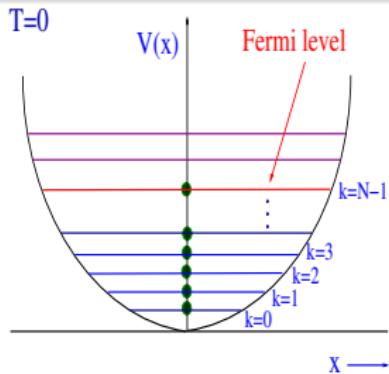
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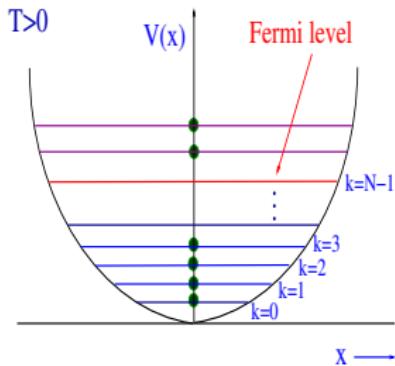
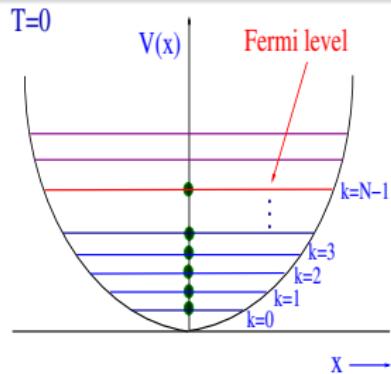
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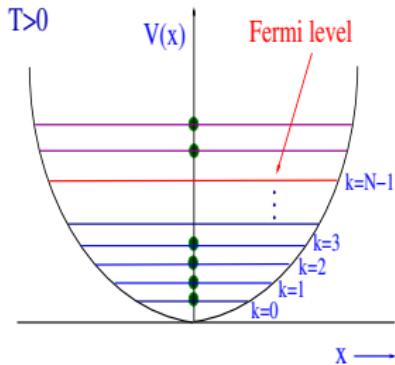
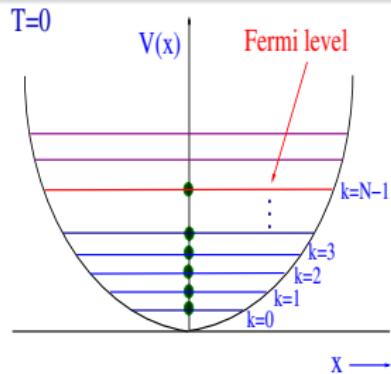


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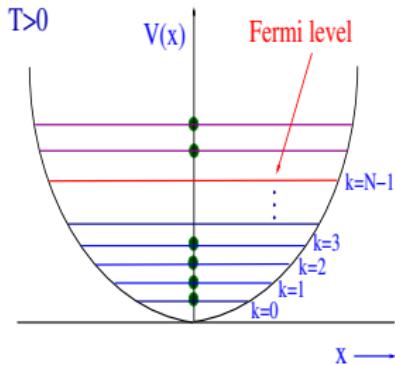
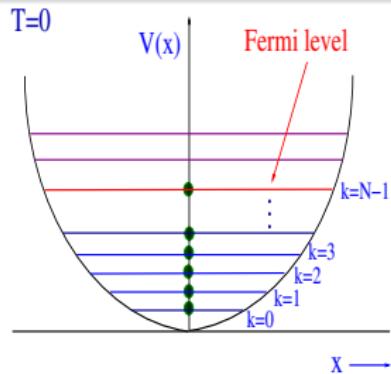


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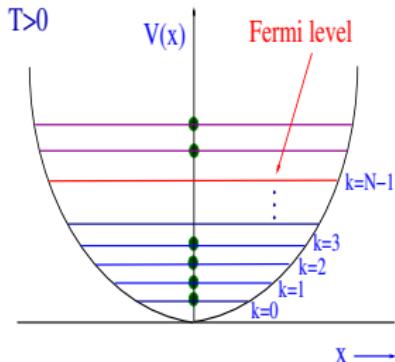
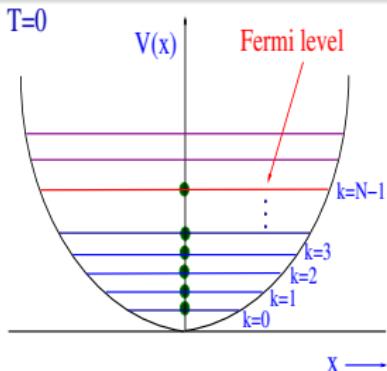
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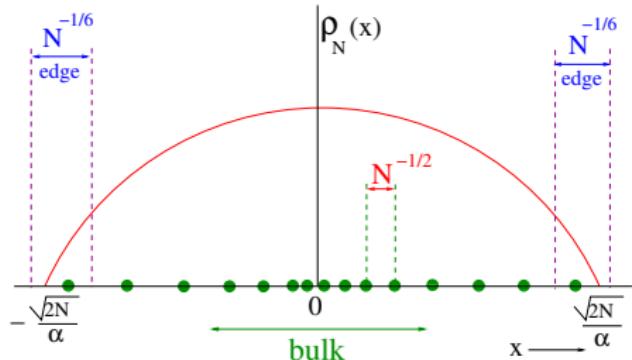
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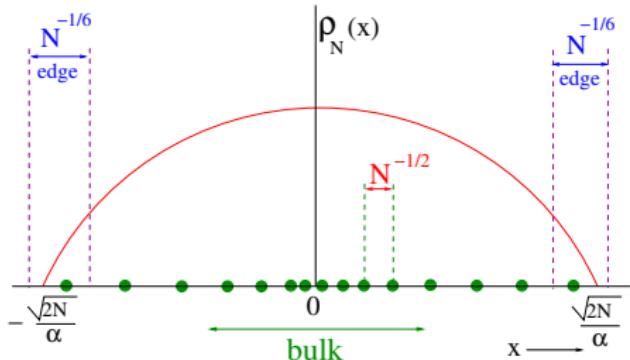


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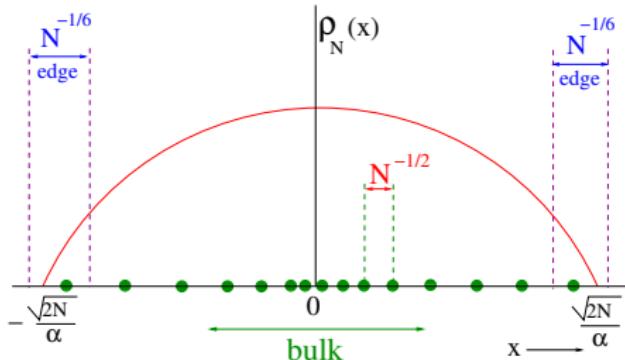
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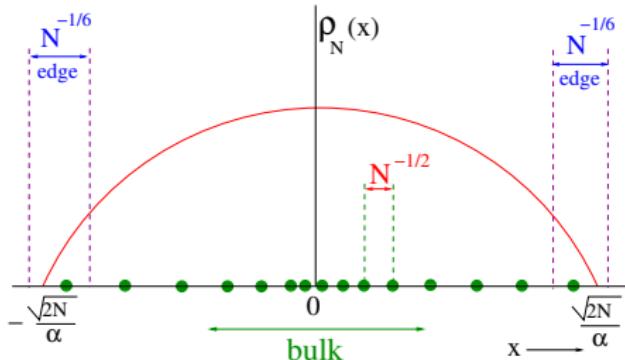
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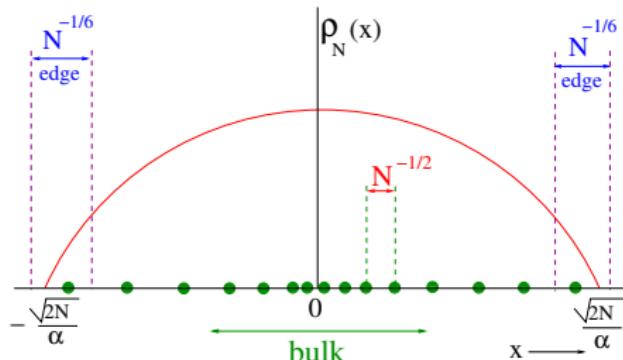
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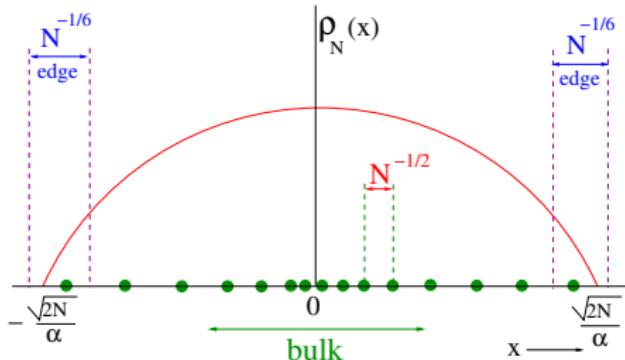
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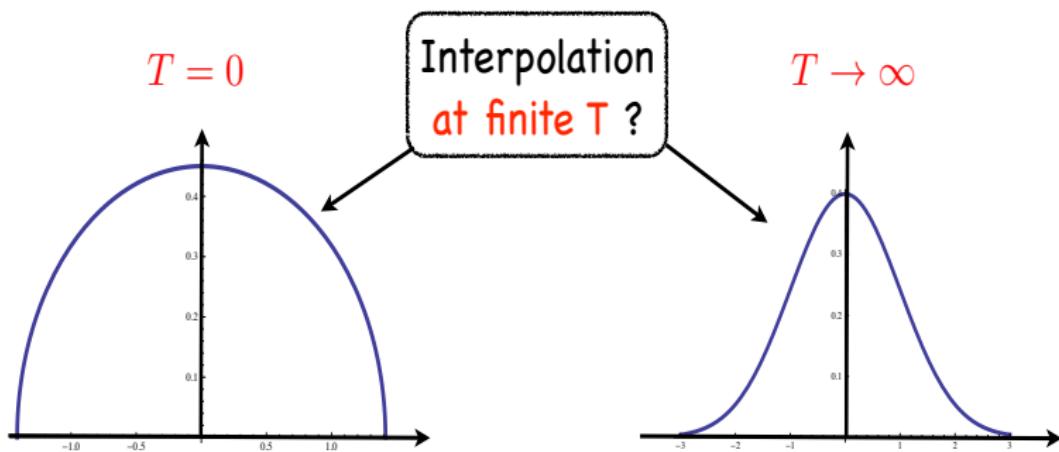
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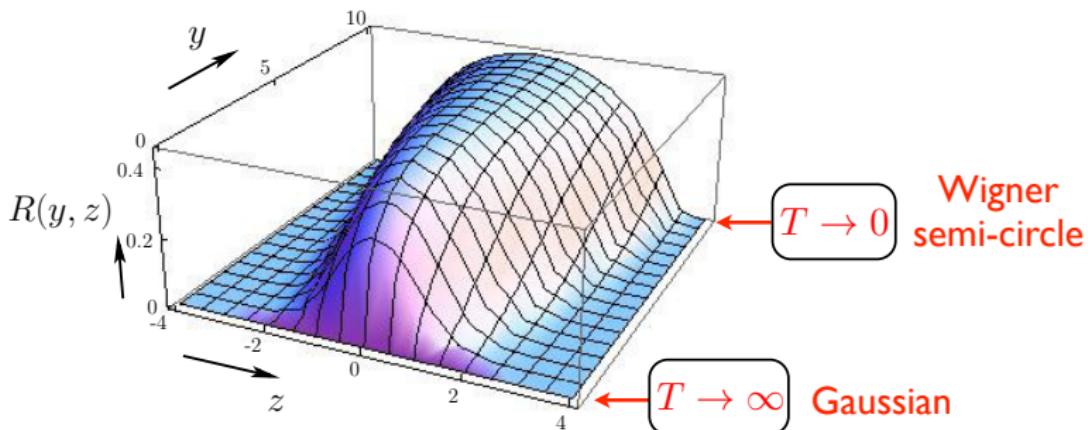
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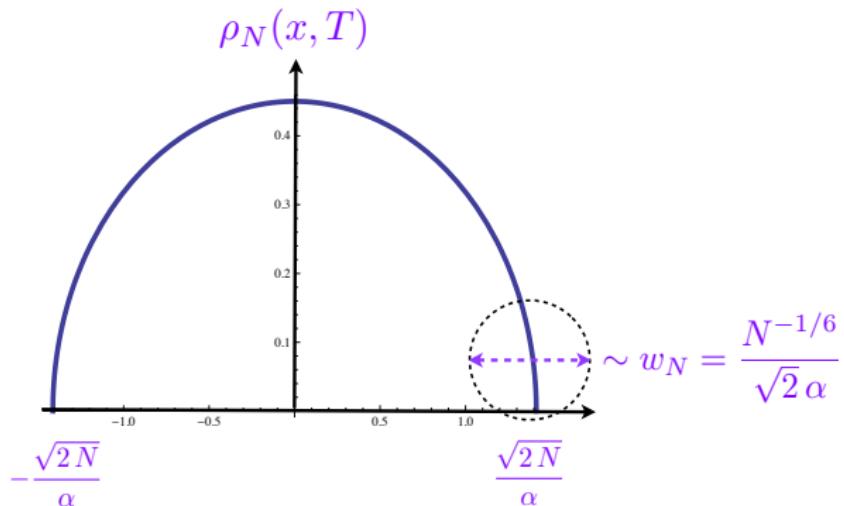
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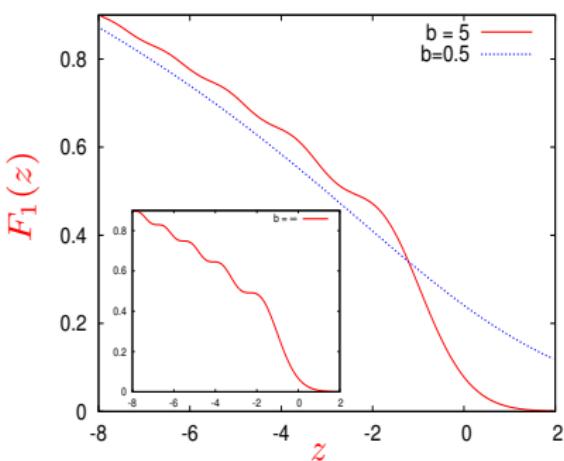
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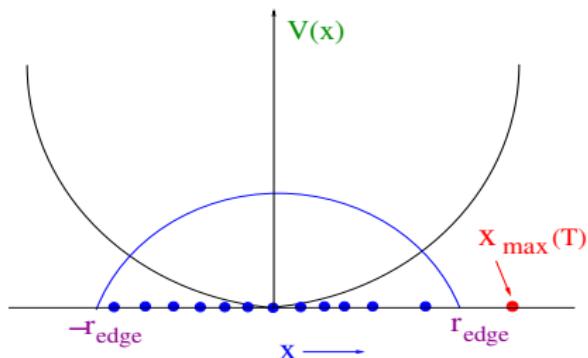
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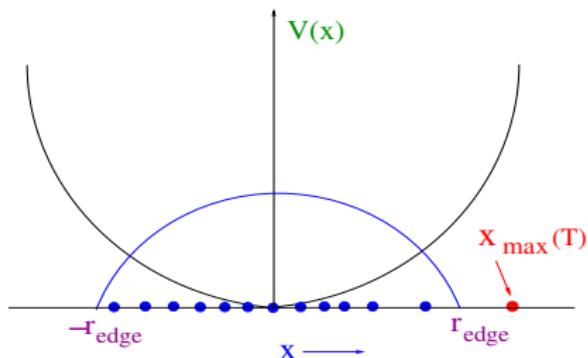


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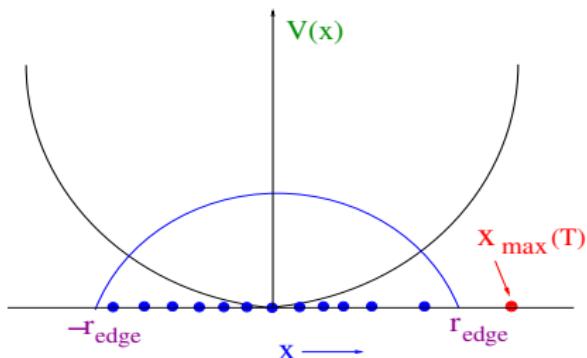
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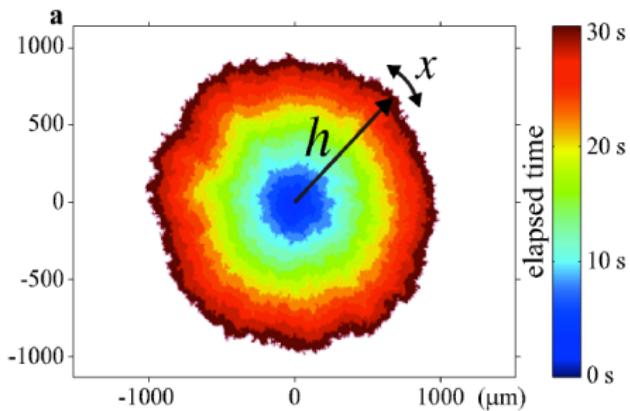


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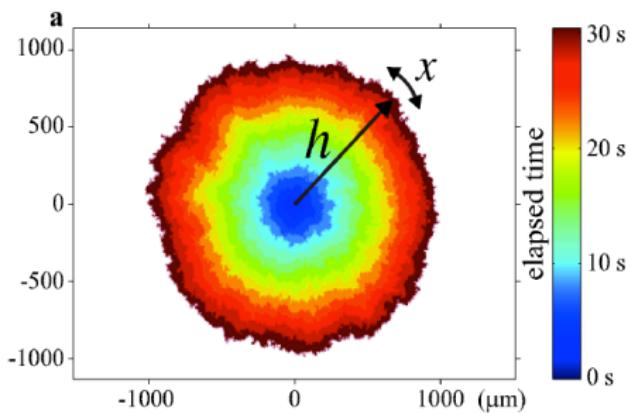


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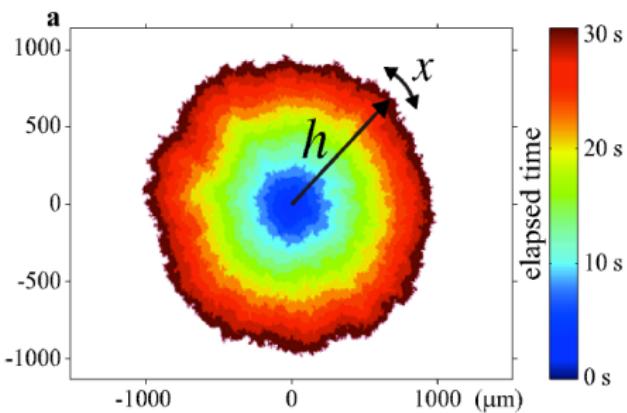


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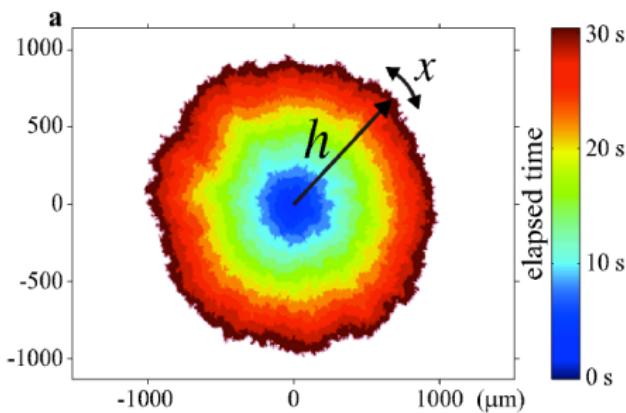


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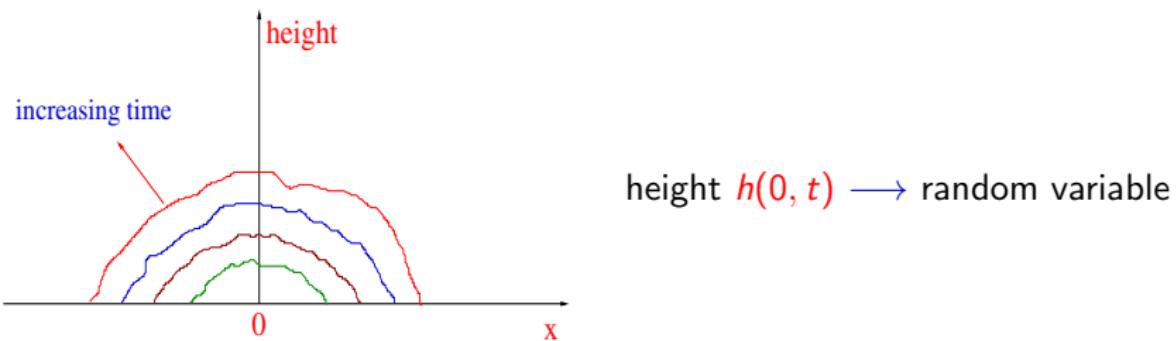
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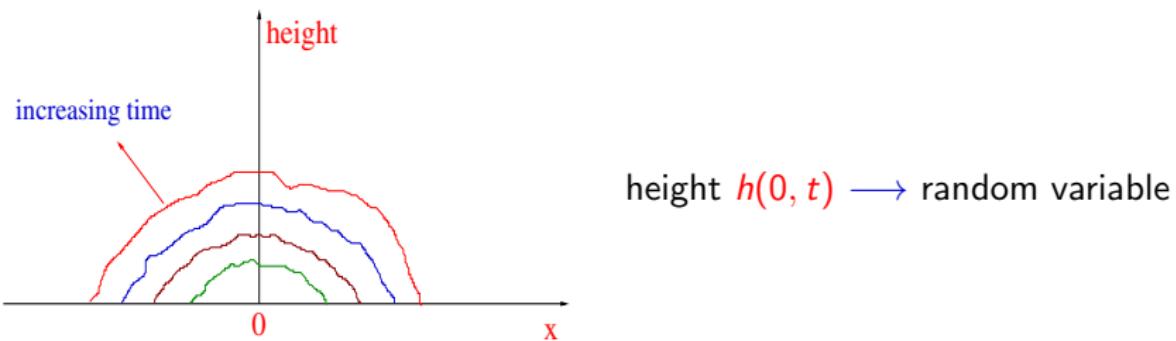
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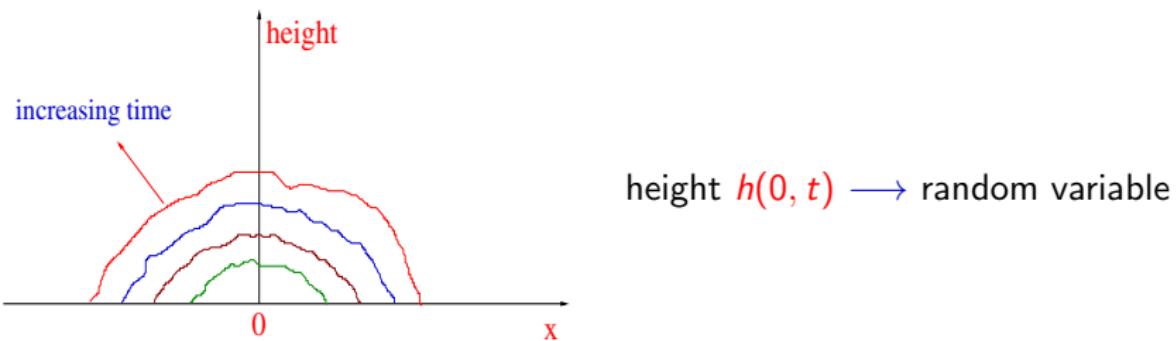
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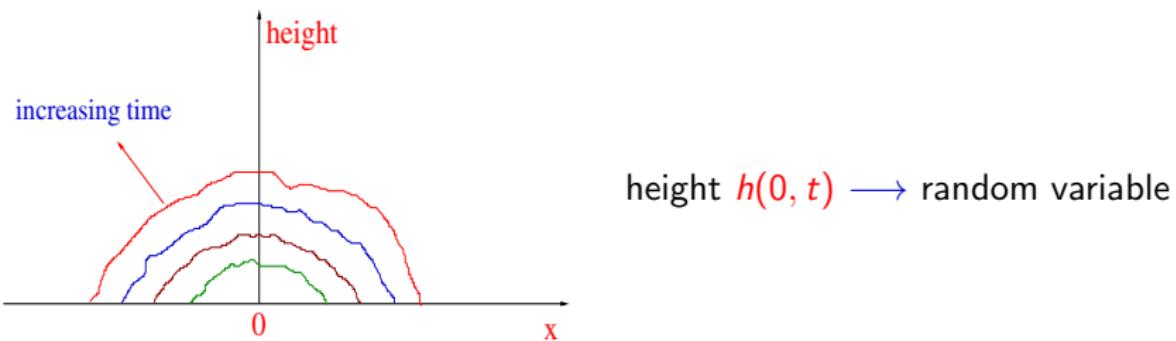


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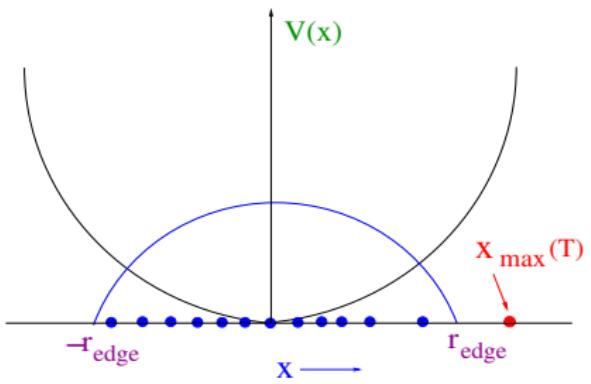
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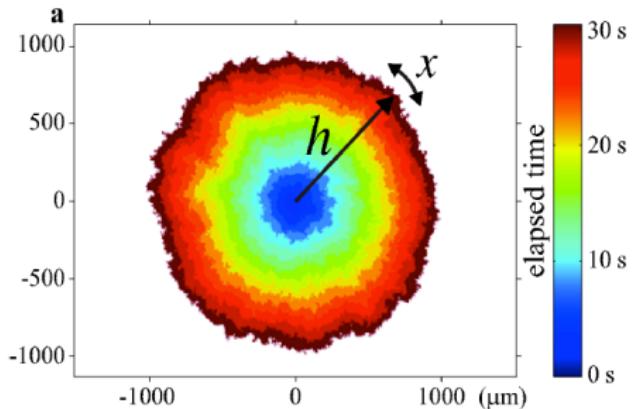
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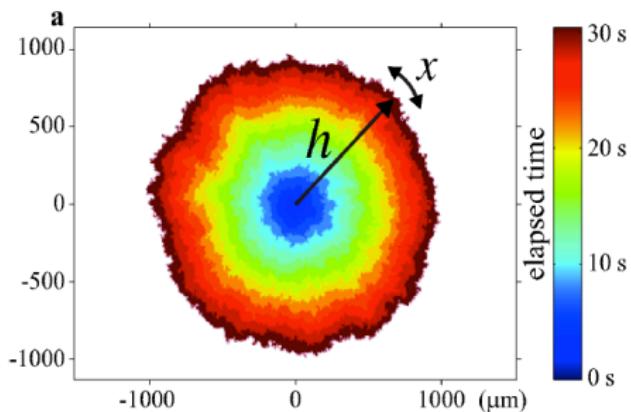
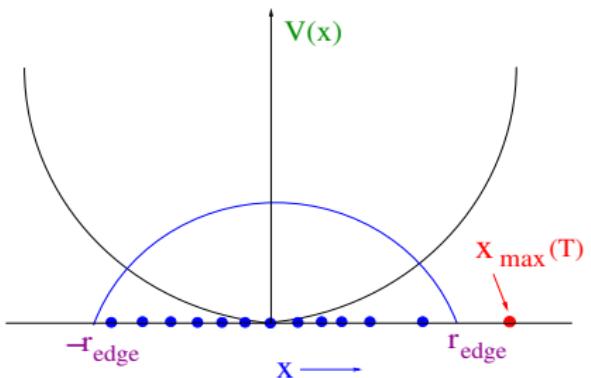


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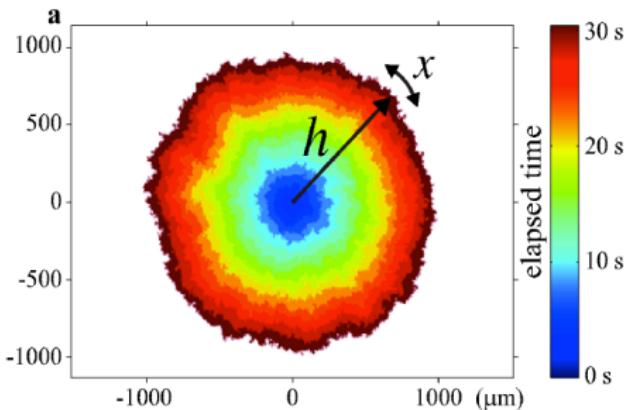
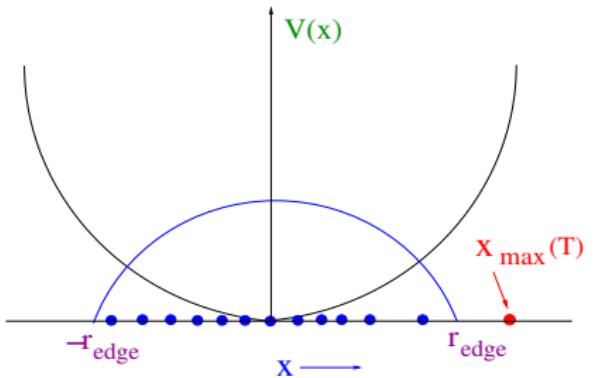


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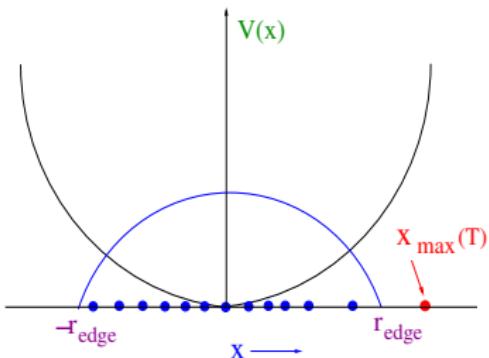
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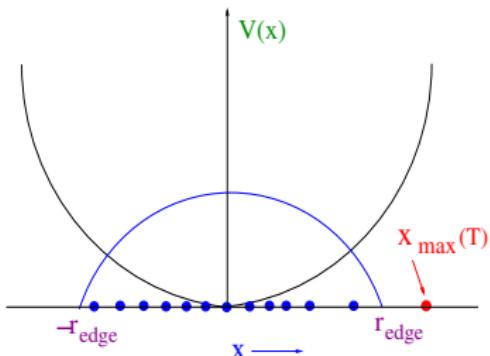
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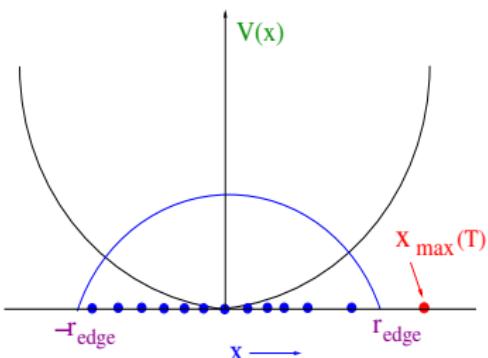
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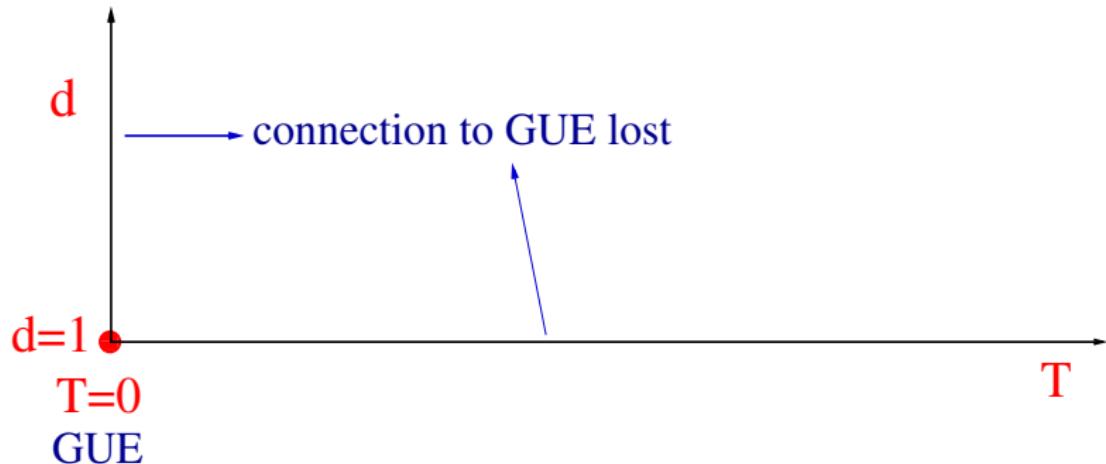
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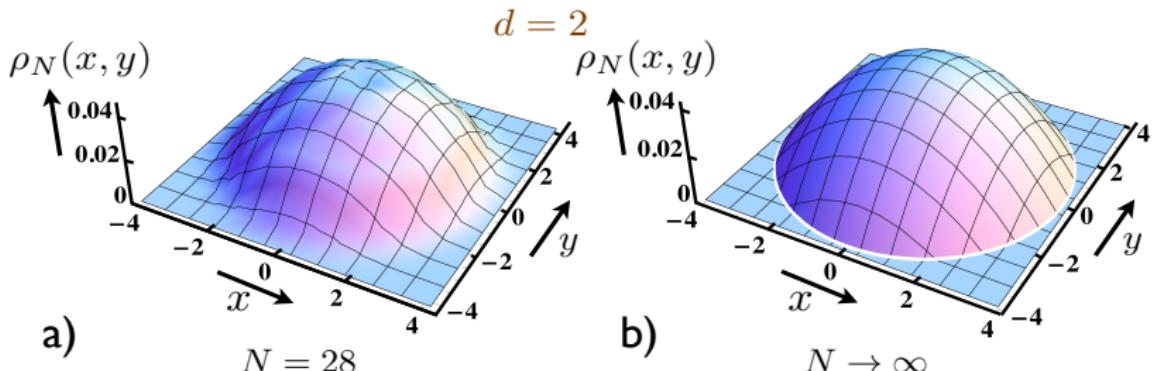
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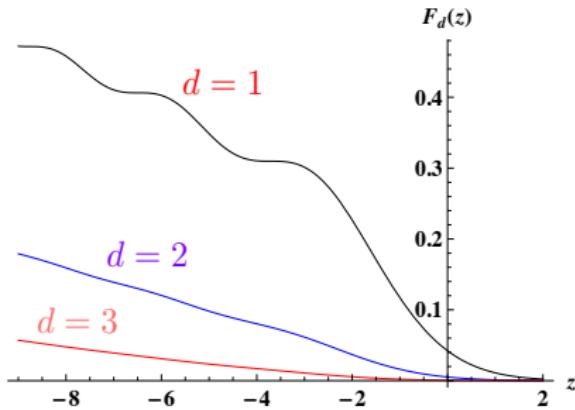
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