

# Collective description of trapped fermions: Exact results

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## Outline

- Review of some results on trapped fermions in 1D and 2D (Background and Motivation)
- Our results in Fermions in 2D rotating trap with additional repulsive central potential
- Deep connections to orthogonal polynomials, quantum spin chains and Random Matrix Theory

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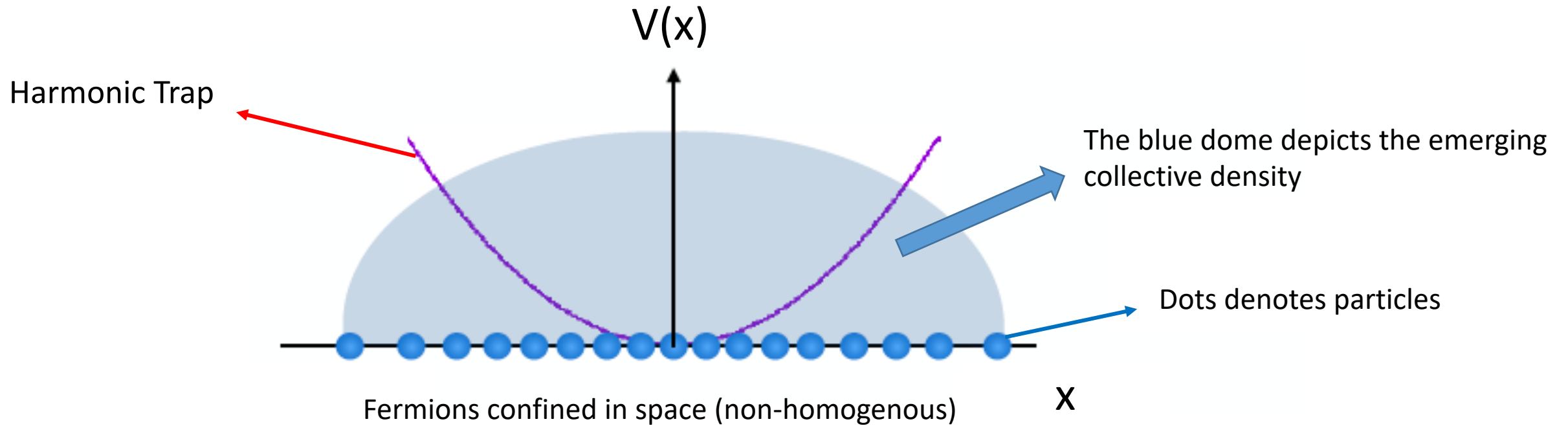
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  - Interesting quantum many body effects even in the absence of interactions.

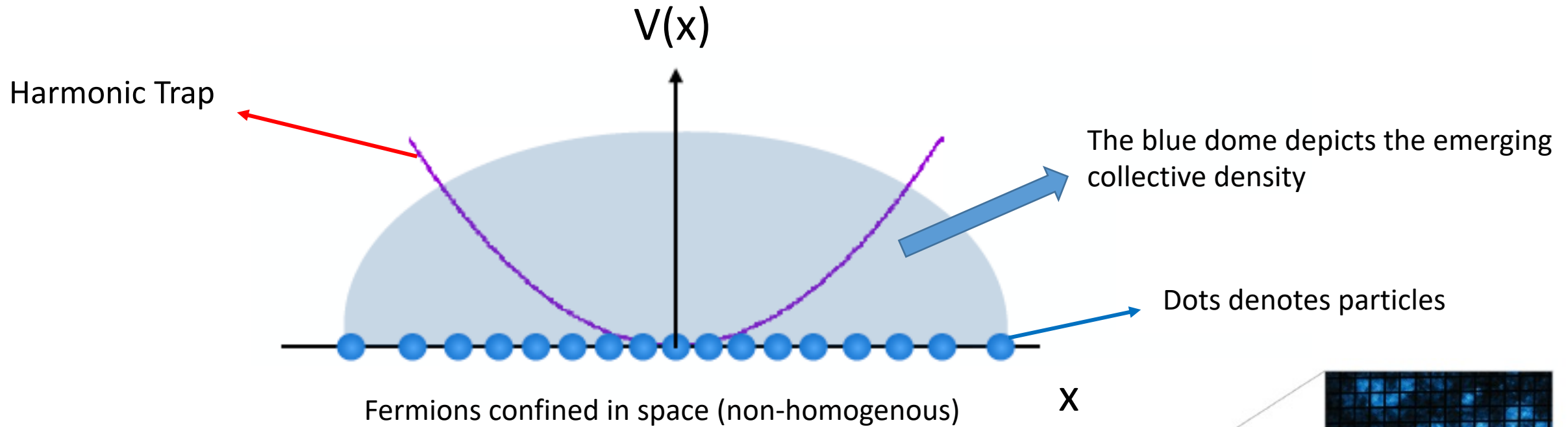
Bosons - Bose-Einstein Condensation

Fermions – Pauli Exclusion leads to highly non-trivial spacial profiles/correlation

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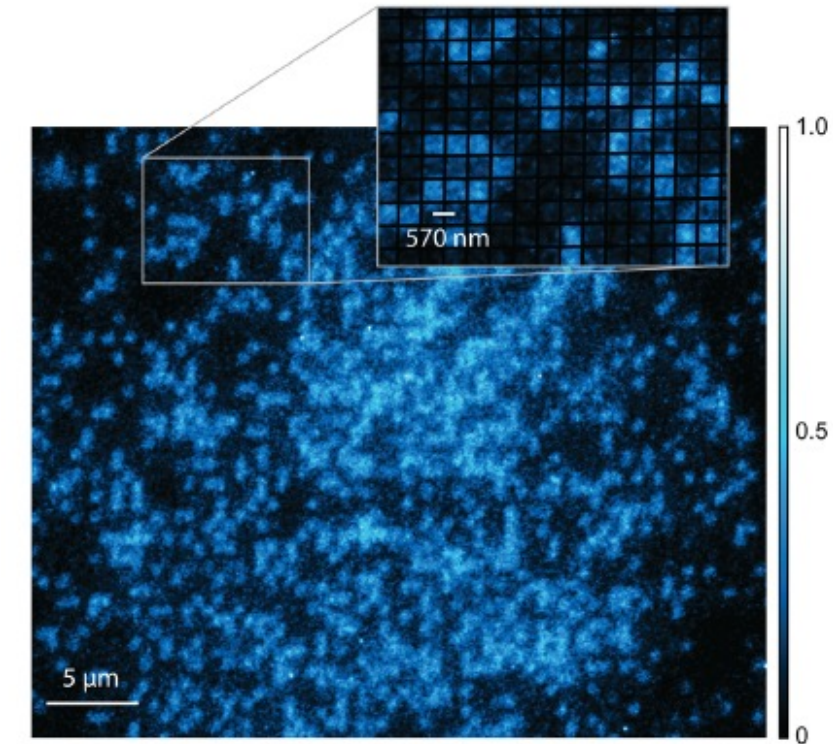
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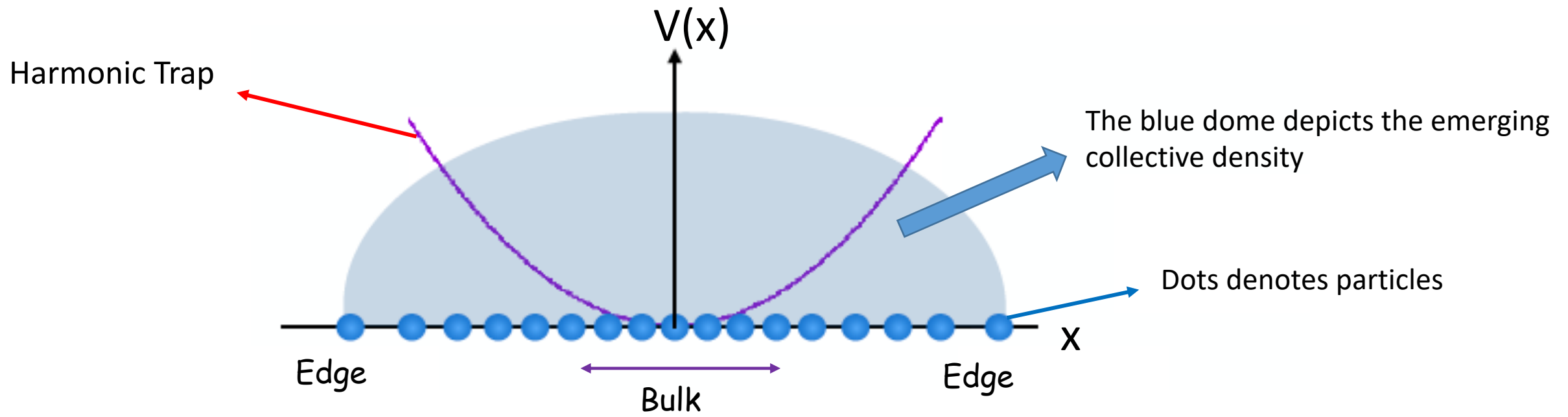
Greiner Group (Harvard)

${}^6\text{Li}$  Fermions in trap

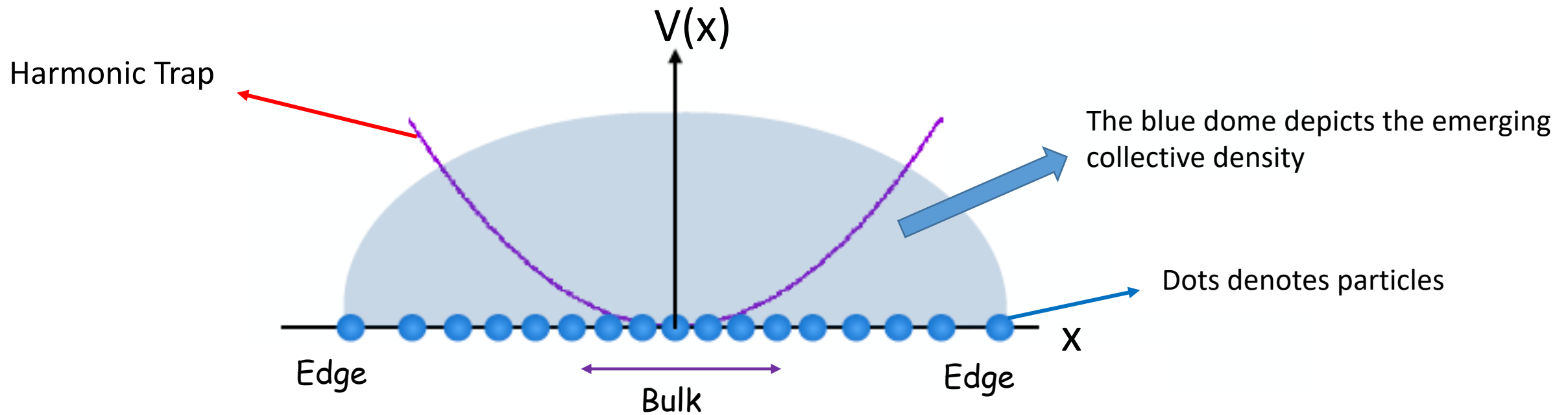
*"demonstrate site-resolved imaging of individual fermionic  ${}^6\text{Li}$  atoms in a single layer of a 3D optical lattice." - PRL 2015 (Parson's et al)*

Many fascinating experiments









**Bulk** - Local Density/Thomas-Fermi approximation is mostly reasonable

You will get a relation between external potential  $V(x)$  and ground state density  $\rho(x)$  without solving Schrodinger equation

**Edge** - As you move to the edge such approximations break down.

More generally, when translational symmetry is broken and when we have regions of extremely low densities, such approximations do not work

*"The uniform electron gas, the traditional starting point for density-based many-body theories of inhomogeneous systems, is inappropriate near electronic edges"* – Kohn and Mattison, PRL 1998

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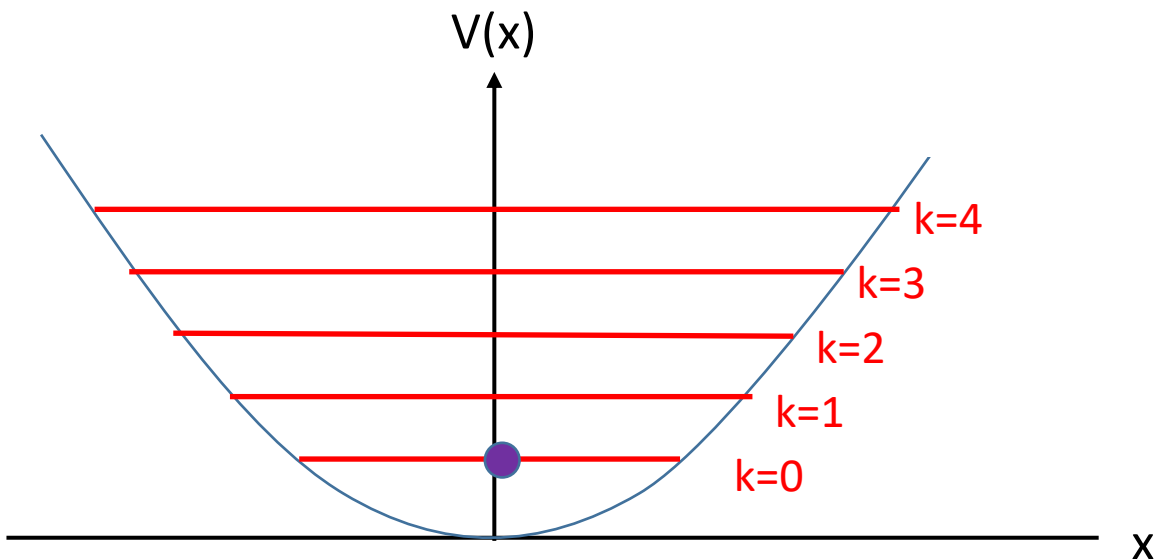
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### Free Fermions at Zero Temperature in a 1D Harmonic Trap

- Let us start with a single Fermion in a trap



Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{h} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2\hat{x}^2$$

Schrodinger Equation:

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\varphi_k}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x^2 \varphi_k(x) = \epsilon_k \varphi_k(x)$$

$$\varphi_k(x \rightarrow \pm\infty) = 0$$

## Solution to the eigenvalue problem

Single particle eigenfunctions:  $\varphi_k(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\pi} 2^k k!}} e^{-\alpha^2 x^2 / 2} H_k(\alpha x)$

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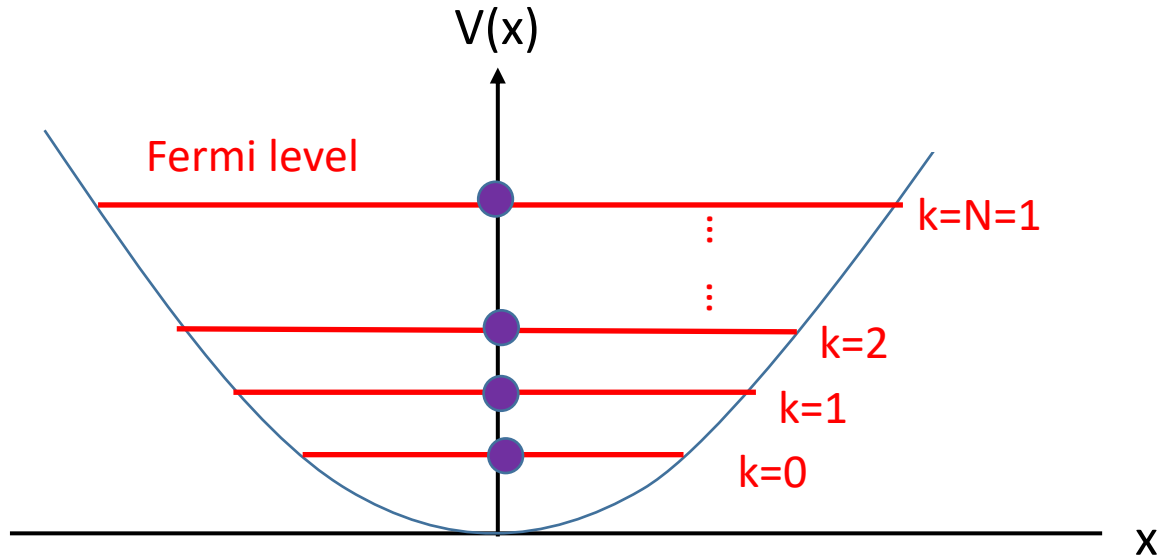
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### Some properties of Hermite polynomials for later:

- Zeros of  $N^{\text{th}}$  Hermite polynomial are real

- Zeros of this polynomial are solutions to the algebraic Stieltjes problem  $x_j = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ (k \neq j)}}^N \frac{1}{x_j - x_k}, \quad j = 1, 2, 3 \dots N$

## N free fermions in a 1D Harmonic Trap



Many-body Hamiltonian (non-interacting)

$$\hat{H}_N = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{h}_i = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \hat{x}_i^2 \right]$$

Eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of this Many Body Hamiltonian

Many Body Ground State wavefunction  $\hat{H}_N \Psi_0 = E_0 \Psi_0$

$\Psi_0(x_1, x_2 \dots x_N)$  Antisymmetric (Pauli Exclusion Principle)

$$\Psi_0(x_1, x_2, \dots x_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \det [\varphi_i(x_j)], \quad 0 \leq i \leq (N-1), 1 \leq j \leq N \quad (\text{Slater determinant})$$

Ground state energy  $E_0 = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} (k + 1/2) \hbar \omega = \frac{N^2}{2} \hbar \omega$

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## Quantum probability density that encodes quantum fluctuations

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Joint distribution of the positions of Fermions in the ground state

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$$P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N) = \frac{1}{Z_N} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^2} \prod_{j < k} |\lambda_j - \lambda_k|^2$$

Joint probability distribution of the eigenvalues of a GUE random matrix



- The positions of free fermions in a trap behave statistically as the eigenvalues of a GUE Random Matrix

$$(\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \alpha x_3 \dots \alpha x_N) \equiv (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \dots \lambda_N)$$

- Good because GUE is determinantal process
- m-point correlation functions are determinants of two-point correlation functions

$$R_m(x_1, x_2 \dots x_m) = \frac{N!}{(N-m)!} \int dx_{m+1} dx_{m+2} \dots dx_N |\Psi_0(x_1, x_2, \dots x_m, x_{m+1} \dots x_N)|^2$$

$$= \det_{1 \leq (i,j) \leq m} [K_N(x_i, x_j)] \quad \text{where} \quad K_N(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \varphi_k(x) \varphi_k(y)$$

$$\rho_N(x) = \frac{1}{N} K_N(x, x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |\varphi_k(x)|^2 \quad (\text{average density})$$

- This average density is given by Wigner semicircle law
- Scaled distribution of rightmost trapped fermion is Tracy-Widom (GUE)

Classical Dyson's Log Gas

Classical Calogero-Moser System

- Wigner Semi-circle  $\sqrt{1-x^2}$
- Zeros of  $N^{\text{th}}$  Hermite Polynomial  $H_N(x) = 0$
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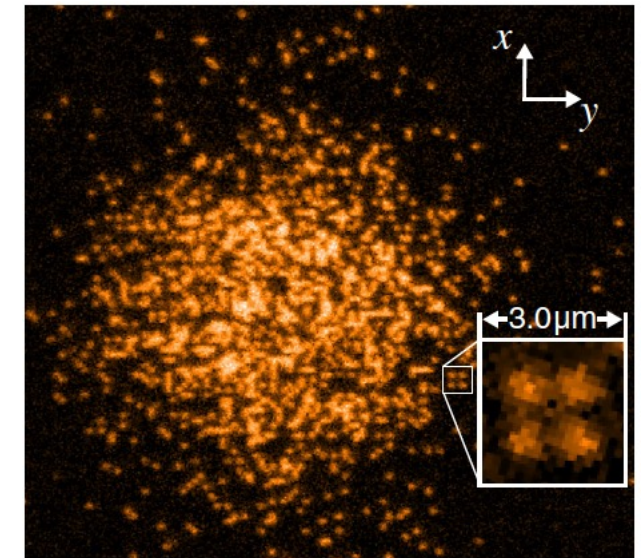
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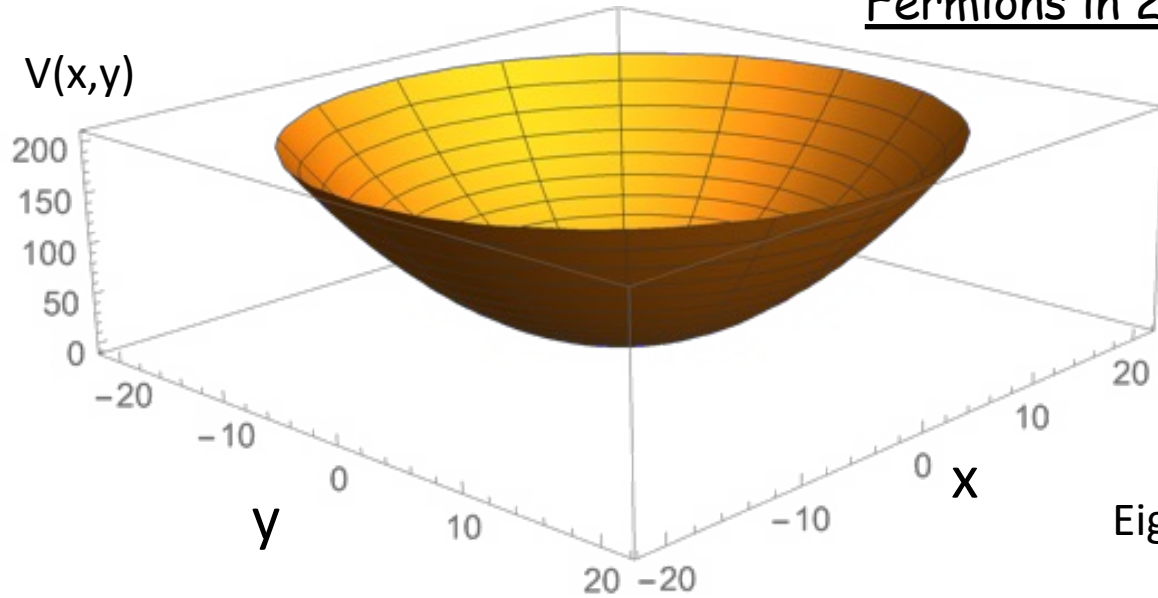
### Some natural questions

- What happens to Fermions in higher dimensions ?
- Is there a RMT connection in higher dimensions ?
- Do orthogonal polynomials emerge in higher dimensions ?
- Is there a generalization of the Stieltjes problem ?
- Can we get exotic density profiles ?

Quantum Gas Microscope  
Cheuk et al, PRL 2015  
Fermionic <sup>40</sup>K atoms



## Fermions in 2D Trap



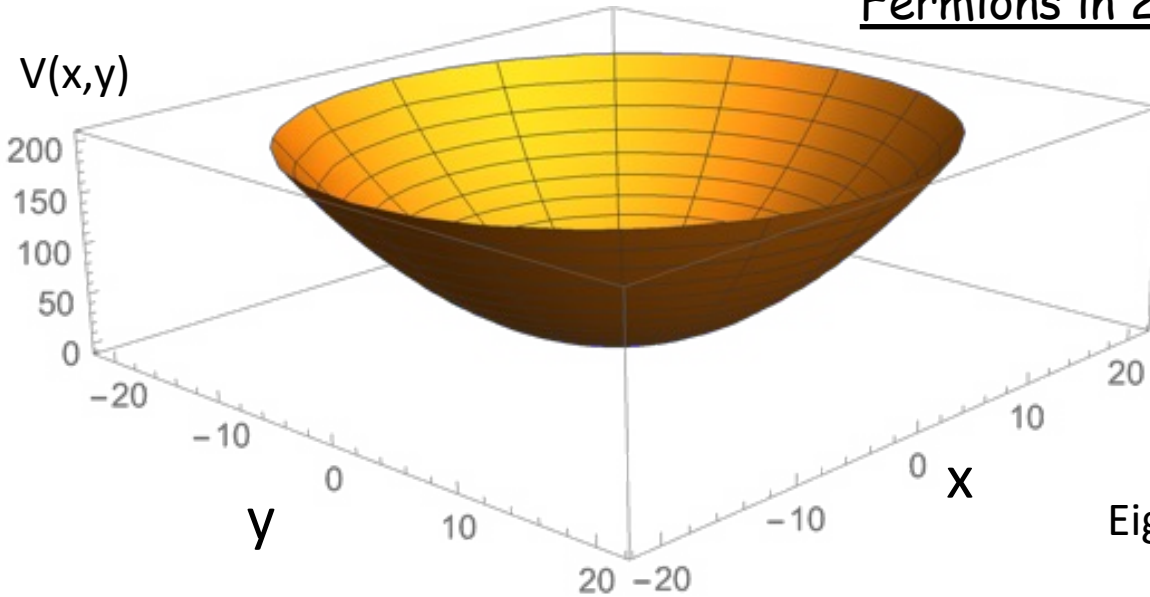
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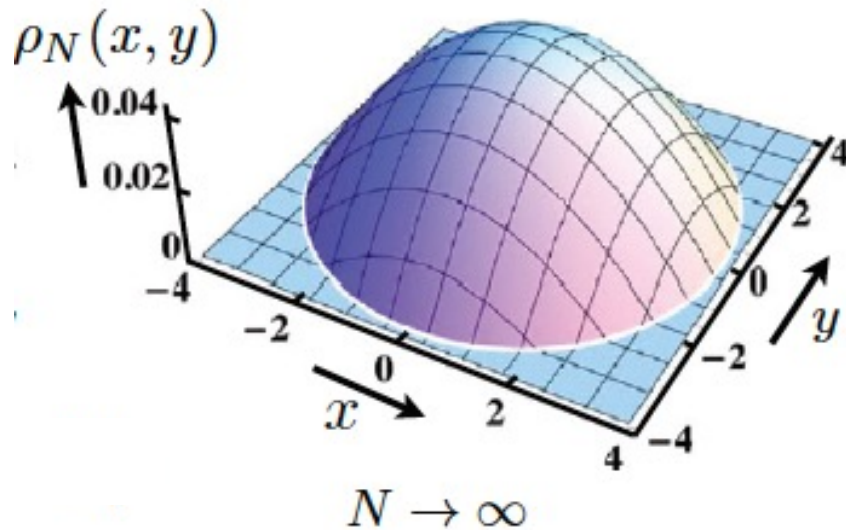
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- Interestingly, there is no non-Hermitian random matrix whose joint distribution is same as this Fermionic system
- The hope is to make connection with Ginibre Random Matrix (GinUE)
- But, eigenvalue distribution of GinUE is a uniform disk of radius  $\sqrt{N}$

$$\rho_N(\mathbf{x}) \approx \frac{1}{N} \left( \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^{d/2} \frac{[\mu - V(\mathbf{x})]^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2 + 1)} \quad \text{Dean, Le Doussal, Majumdar, Schehr, EPL (2015)}$$

## Fermions in 2D Trap: Rotating it to **flatten the dome**

- To find 2D systems whose ground state (modulus square) corresponds to joint distribution of GinUE eigenvalues

$$|\Psi_0(z_1, z_2 \dots z_N)|^2 \equiv P_{\text{Gin}}(z_1, z_2 \dots z_N) = \frac{1}{Z_N} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N |z_i|^2} \prod_{j < k} |z_j - z_k|^2$$

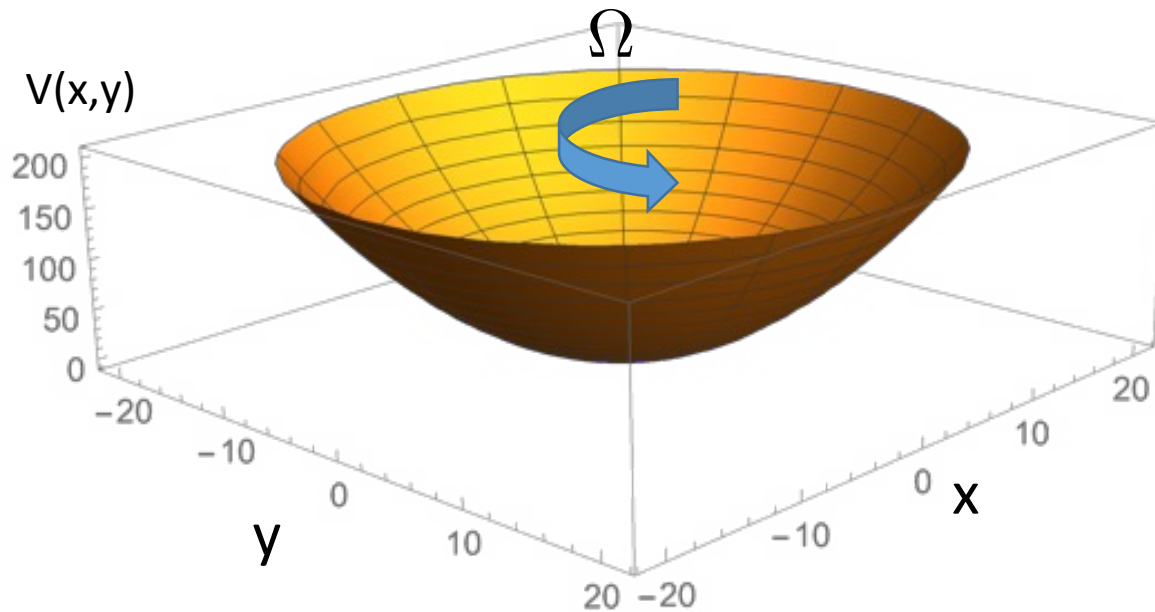
In the rotating frame:  $\hat{H}_N = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{h}_i$

$$\hat{h} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \hat{r}^2 - \Omega \hat{L}_z$$

$$\hat{L}_z = i\hbar(y\partial_x - x\partial_y)$$

$\Omega = 0$  (2D Harmonic trap)

$\Omega = \omega$  (free Fermions in a uniform perpendicular Magnetic field)

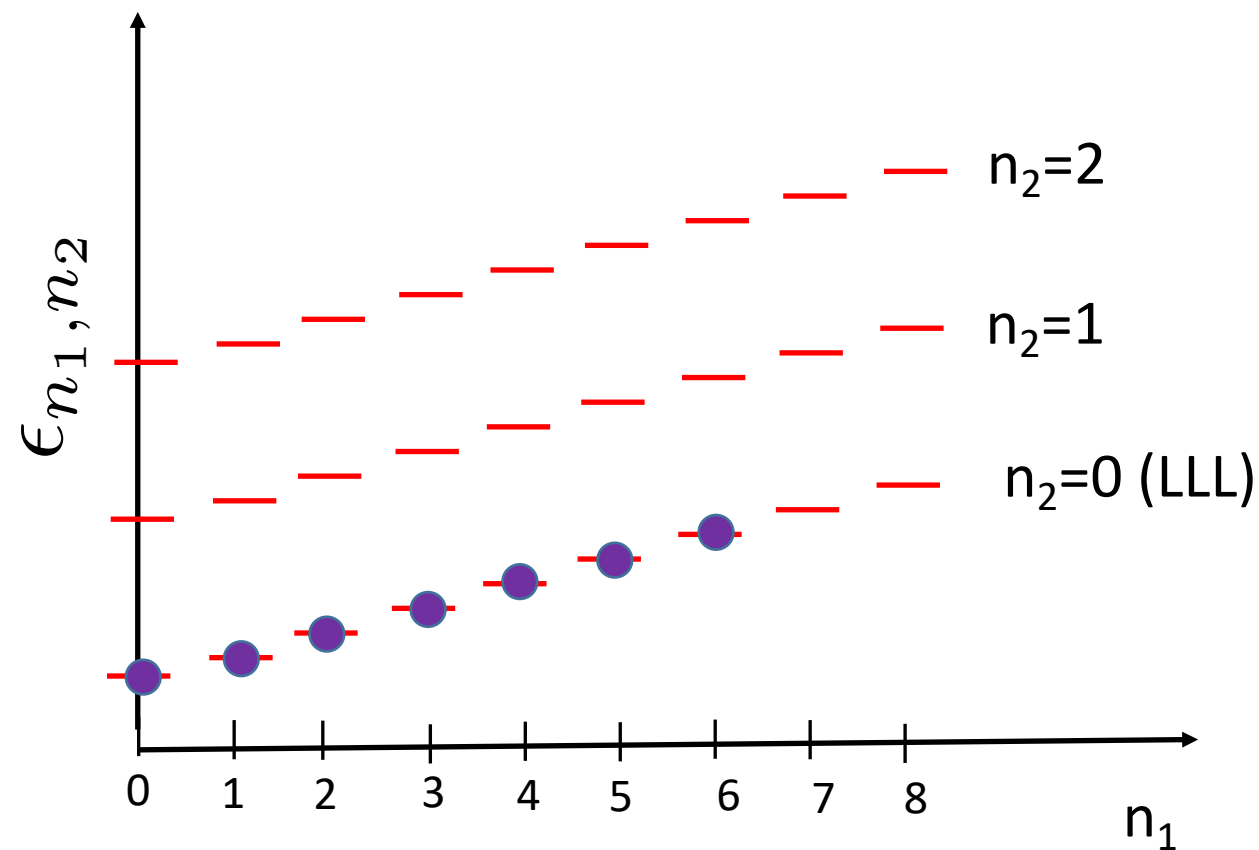


Related Experiment: Schweikhard et al, PRL (2004),  
“Rapidly Rotating Bose-Einstein Condensates  
in and near the Lowest Landau Level”

## Single particle spectrum

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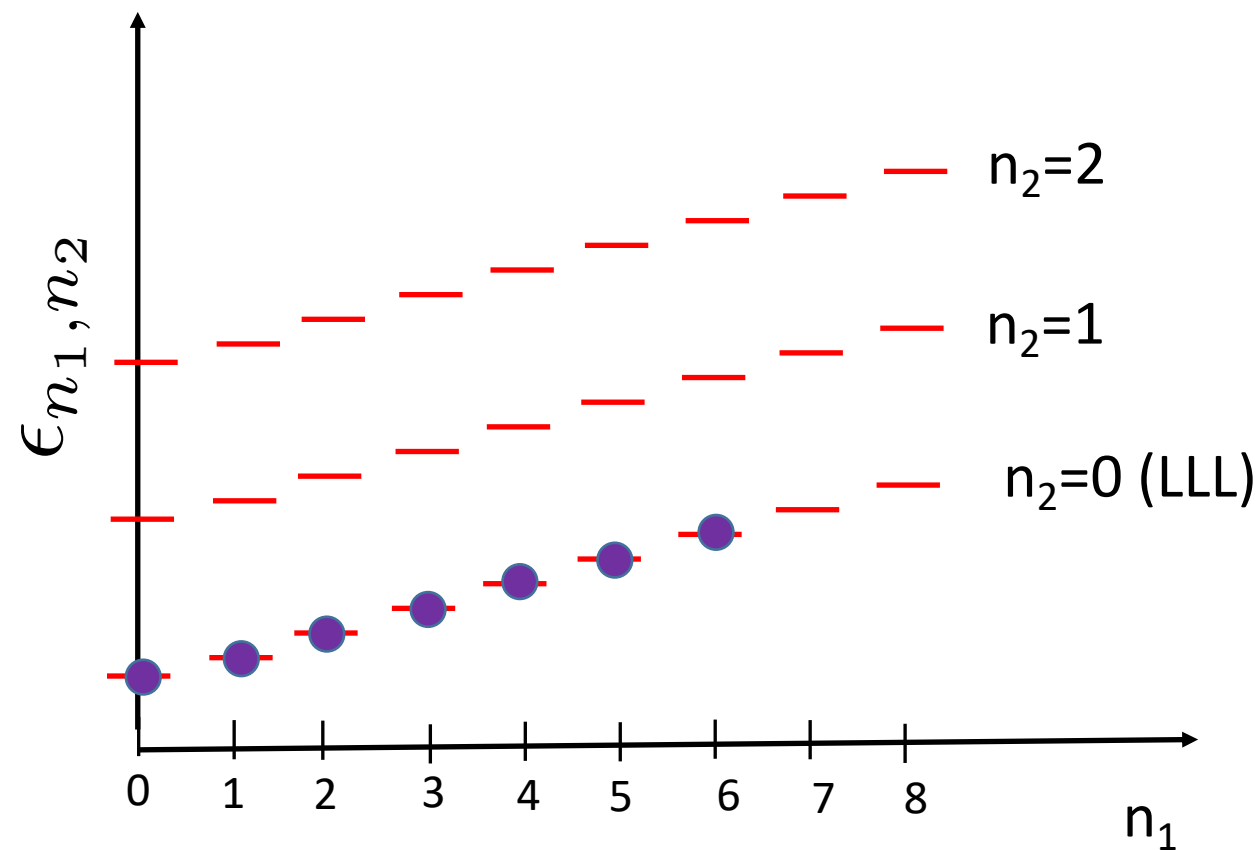
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Highest occupied level in  $n_2=0$  sector should be lower than lowest energy of the next  $n_2=1$  sector

$$\longrightarrow \omega(1 - 2/N) < \Omega < \omega$$

If we stick to this bound and fill Fermions respecting Pauli exclusion we finally get

$$|\Psi_0(z_1, z_2 \dots z_N)|^2 \propto e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N |z_i|^2} \prod_{j < k} |z_j - z_k|^2$$

$$= P_{\text{Gin}}(z_1, z_2 \dots z_N)$$

Physical realization of GinUE



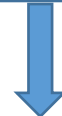
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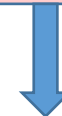
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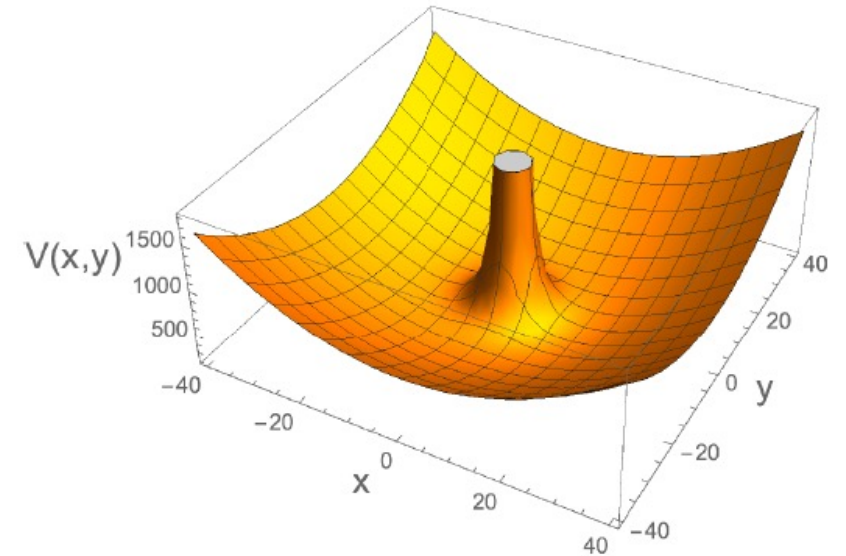
$$\hat{H} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V(r) - \Omega L_z$$

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 r^2 + \frac{\gamma}{2r^2}, \quad \gamma \geq 0$$

Two important parameters:

$$\nu = \Omega/\omega \quad 0 < \nu < 1$$

$$\gamma \geq 0$$



## Eigenfunctions

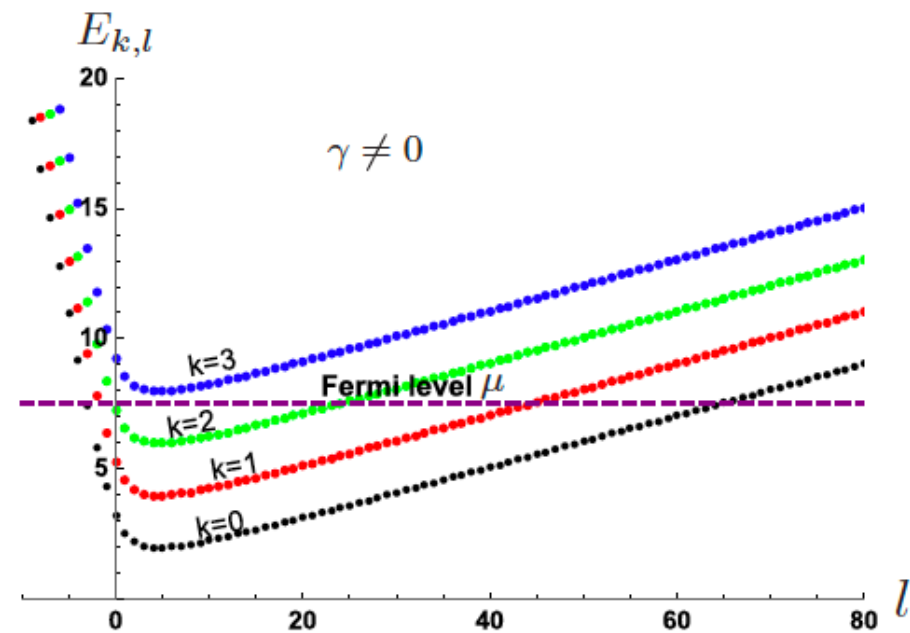
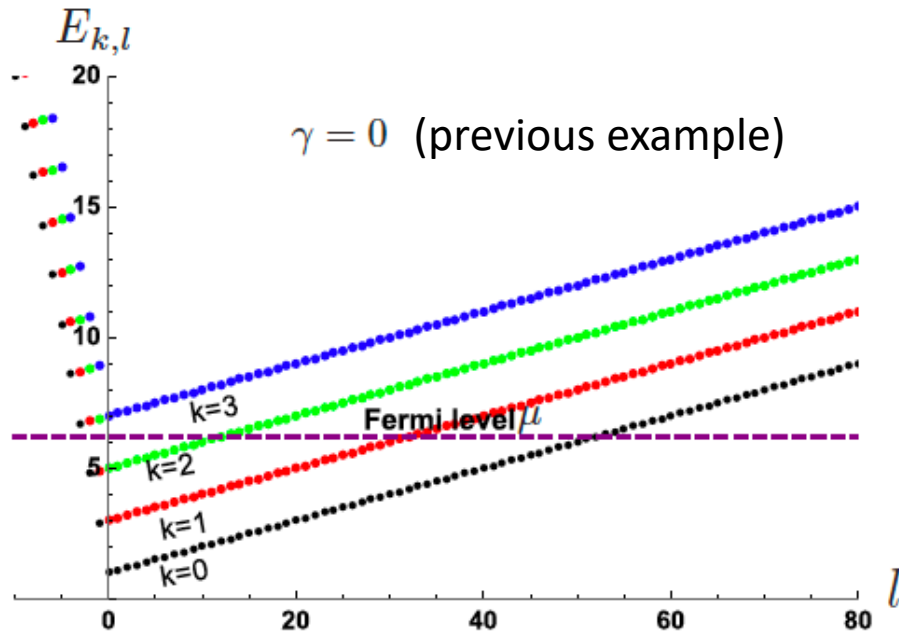
$$\psi_{k,l}(r, \theta) = a_{k,l} L_k^\lambda(r^2) r^\lambda e^{-r^2/2} e^{il\theta}, \quad \text{with } \lambda = \sqrt{\gamma + l^2}$$

generalized Laguerre polynomials

The single-particle states are labeled by a pair of integers  $(k, l)$   
with  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $l = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

## Eigenvalues

$$E_{k,l} = 2k + 1 + \sqrt{\gamma + l^2} - vl$$



- Consider  $N$  spinless noninteracting fermions in their ground state.
- Many-body ground state is thus given by a Slater determinant constructed from  $N$  single-particle eigenfunctions associated to the lowest  $N$  eigenvalues
- For a given  $N$ , the eigenfunctions participating in the Slater determinant may belong to multiple bands of the spectrum

## Average number density (finite-N)

- The average number density (normalized to N)

$$\rho(r, \theta, N) = \sum_{k,l} |\psi_{k,l}(r, \theta)|^2 = \sum_{k=0}^{k^*} \rho_k(r, \theta, N)$$

where 
$$\rho_k(r, \theta, N) = \frac{\Gamma(k+1) e^{-r^2}}{\pi} \sum_{l=l_-(k)}^{l_+(k)} \frac{[L_k^\lambda(r^2)]^2 r^{2\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda+k+1)}$$

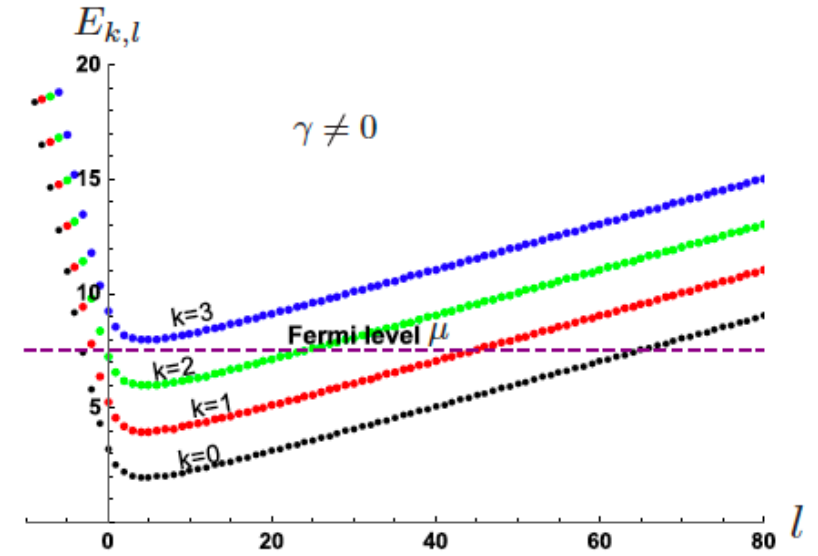
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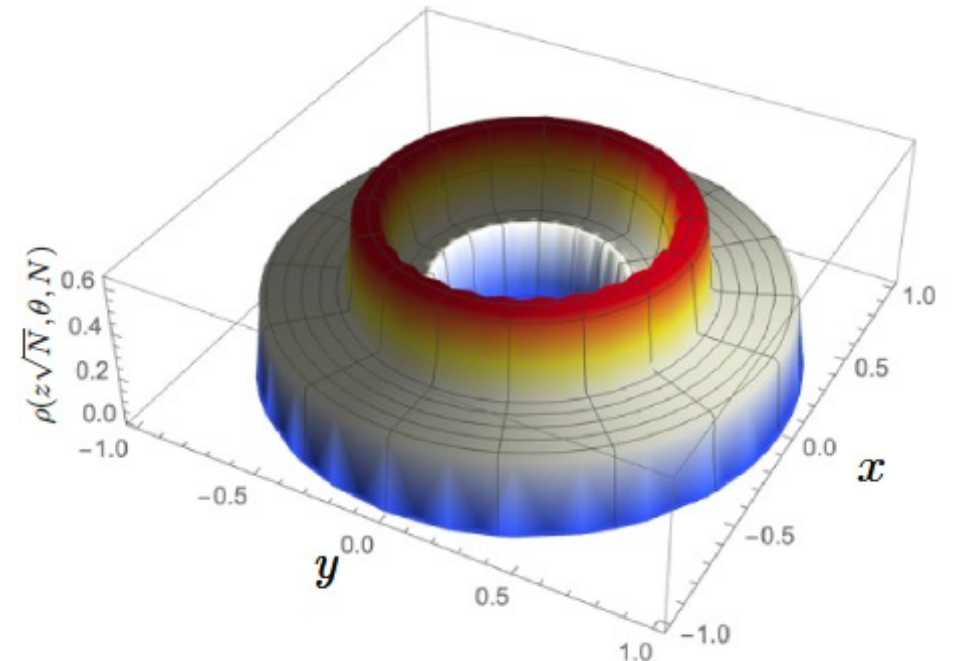
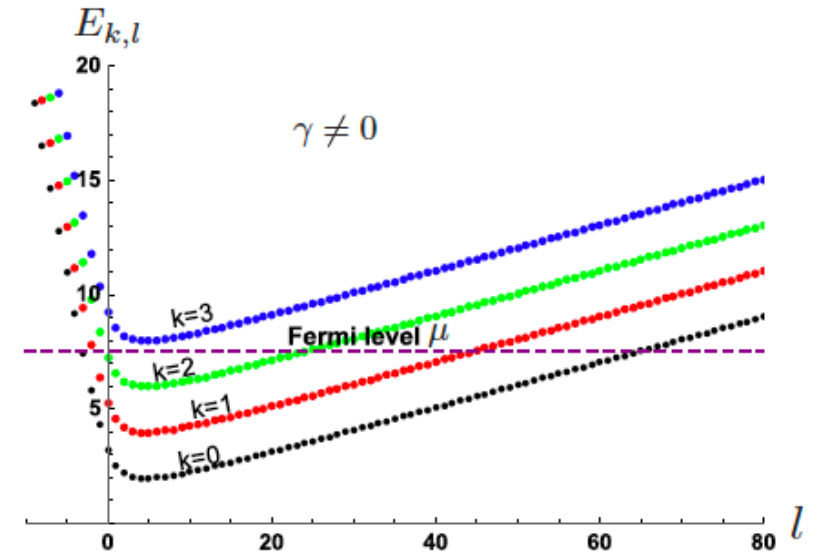
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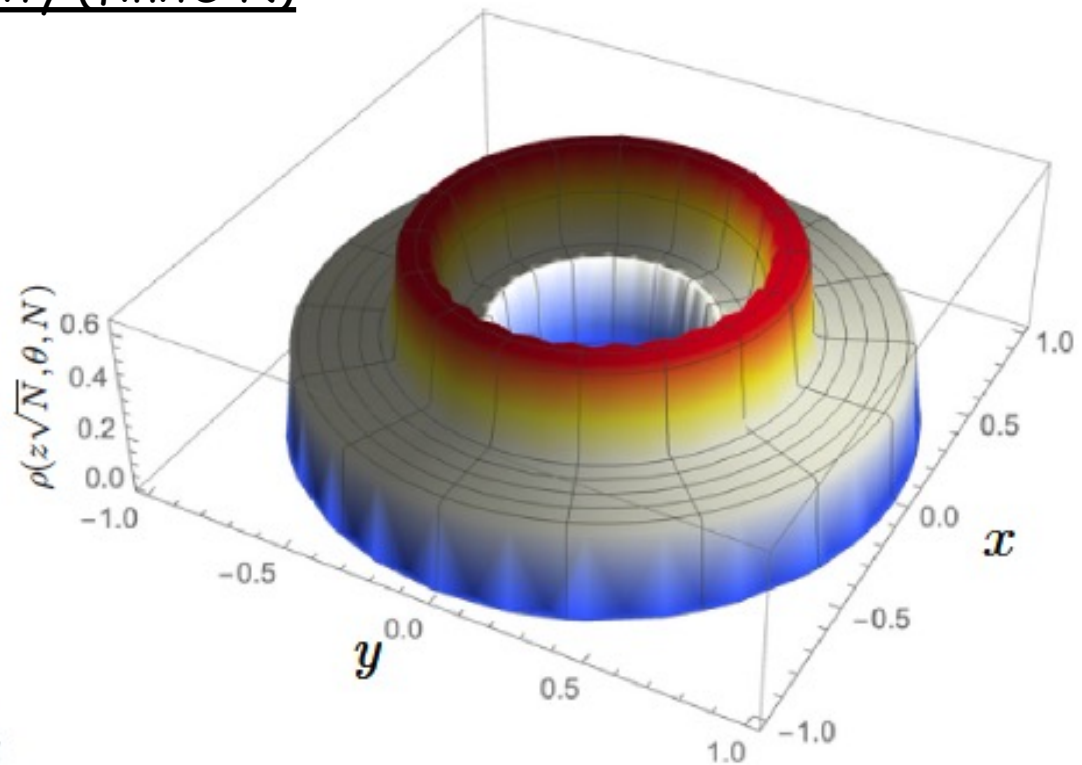
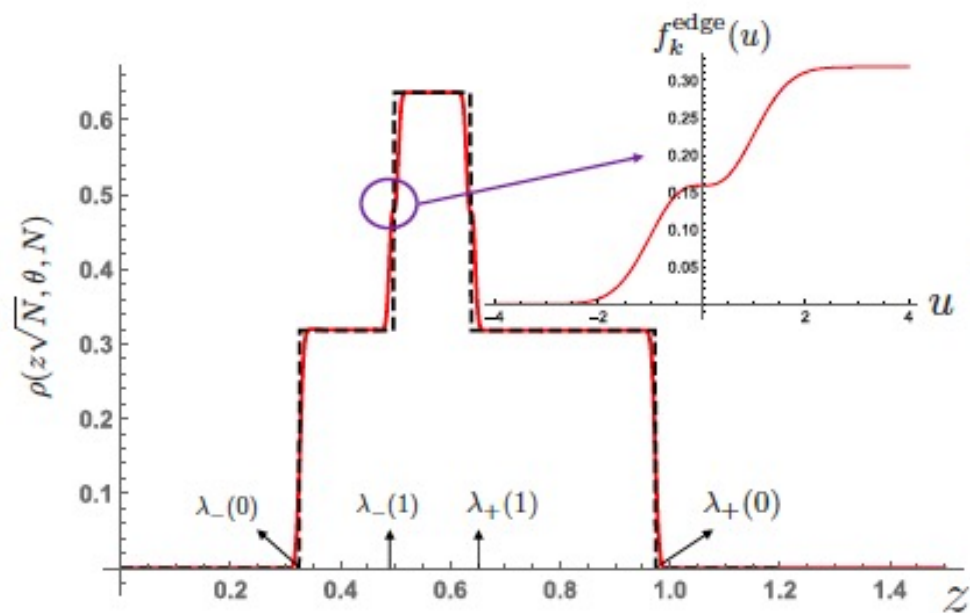
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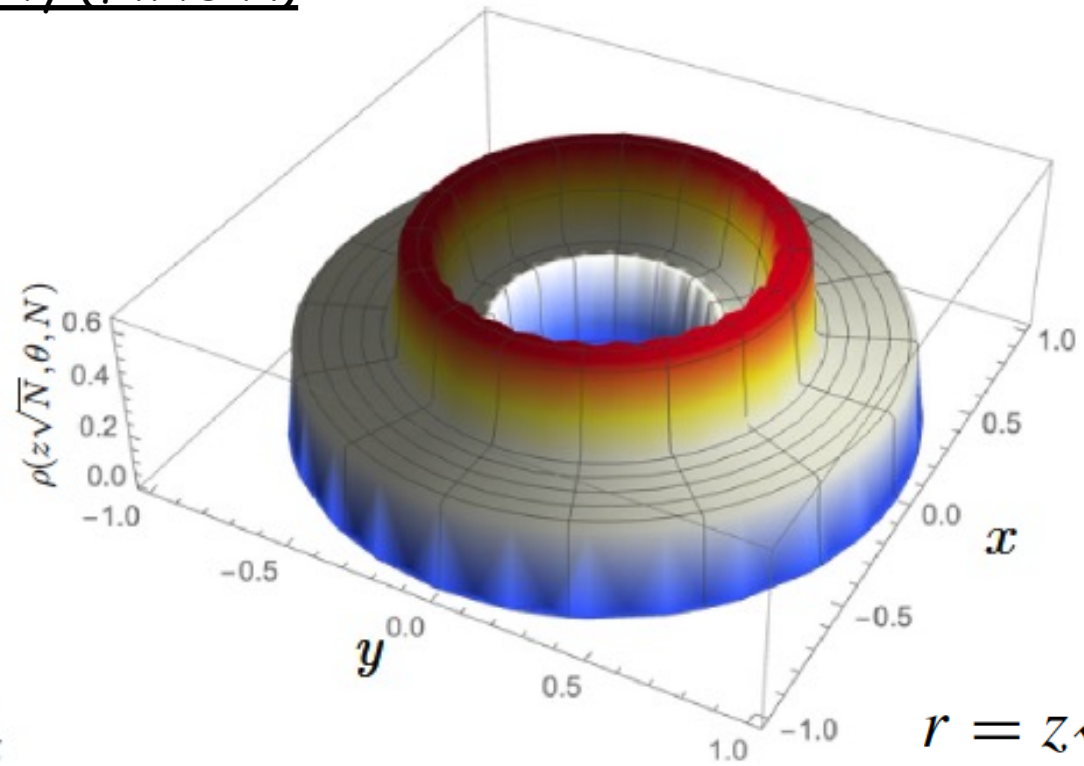
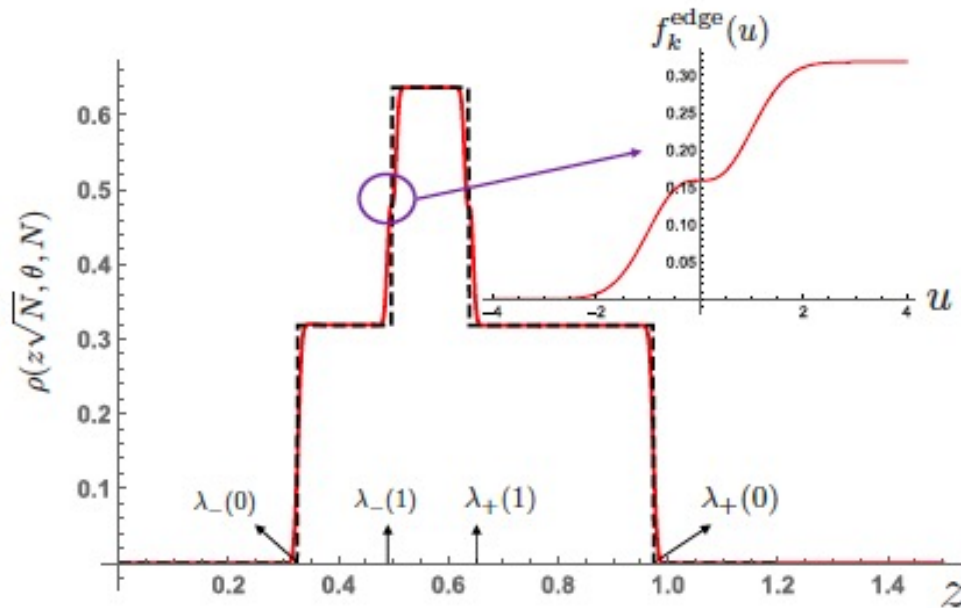
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$$l_{\pm}(k) = \lambda_{\pm}(k)N$$

- For a given  $k^*$ , the bulk density vanishes as  $r < \sqrt{l_-(0)}$  creating a hole around the origin
- Outside the hole, the density is non-zero over an annulus  $\sqrt{l_-(0)} < r < \sqrt{l_+(0)}$ .
- On top of this annulus, there is a “wedding cake” structure with  $k^*$  layers with progressively smaller supports but with equal heights  $1/\pi$
- For e.g.,  $k^{\text{th}}$  layer has a support  $\sqrt{l_-(k)} < r < \sqrt{l_+(k)}$

## Large-N Results

### Recap

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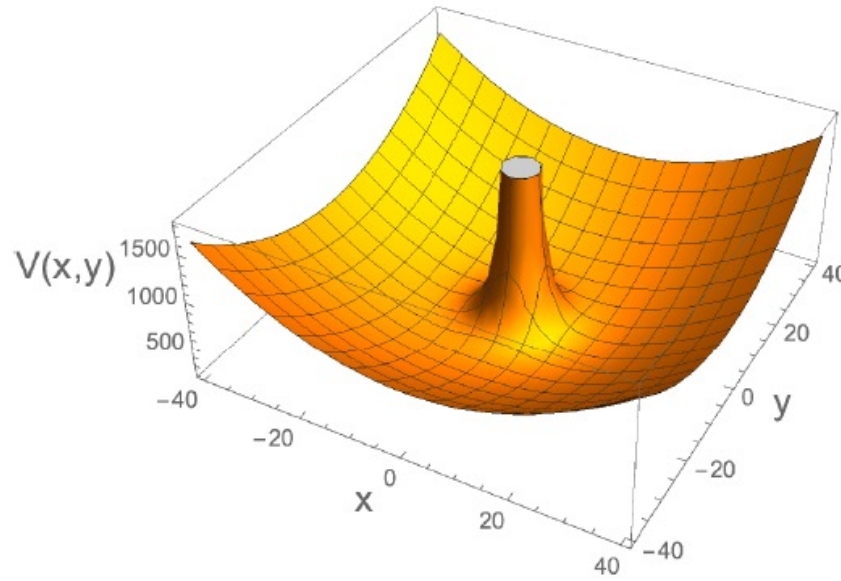
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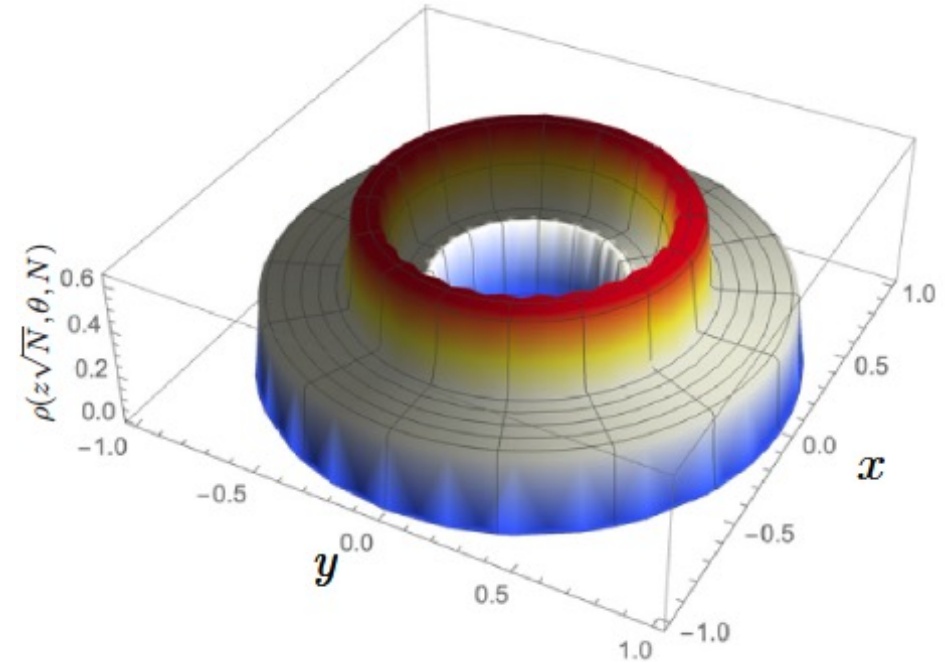
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### Potential



### Resulting Density



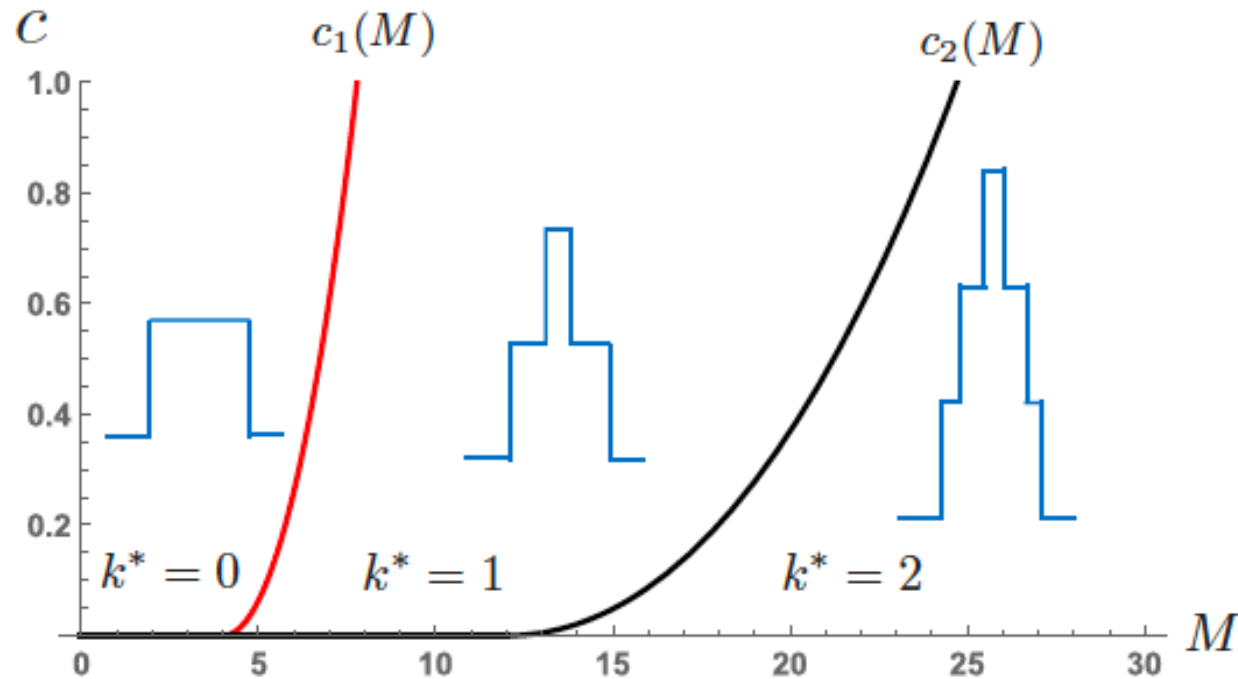
- In the large-N limit the appropriate rescaled parameters both of  $O(1)$  are

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- This scaling is necessary to keep the average density of fermions of order  $O(1)$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

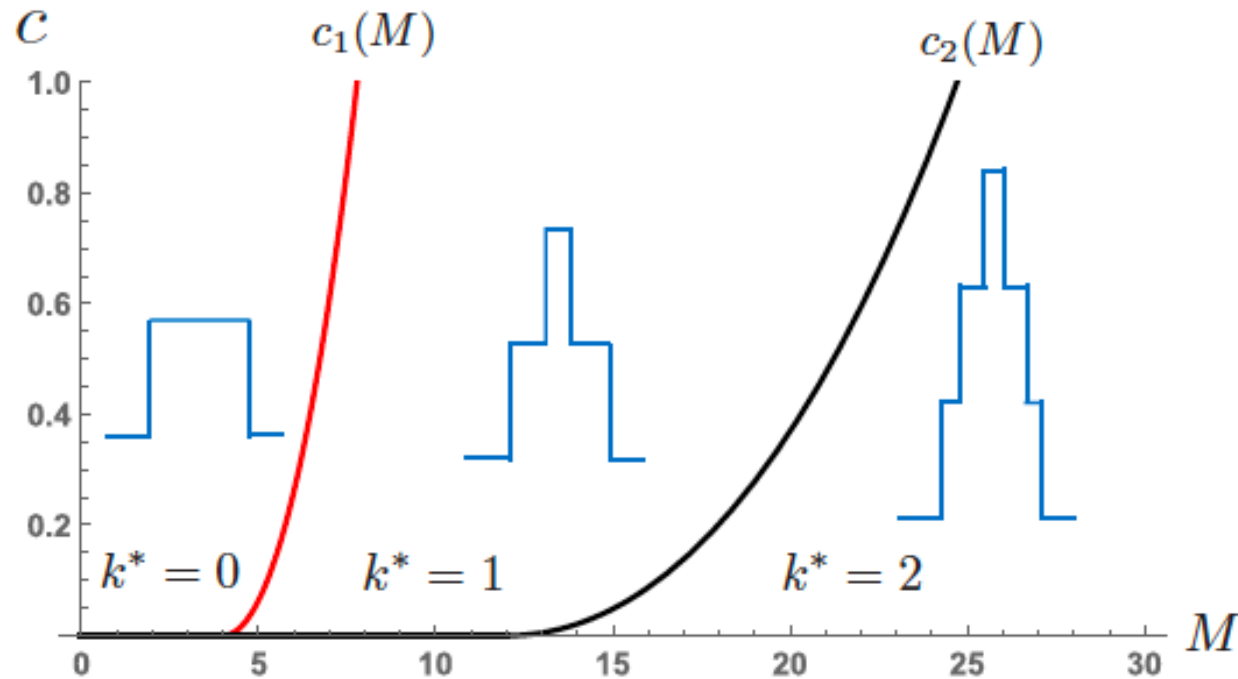


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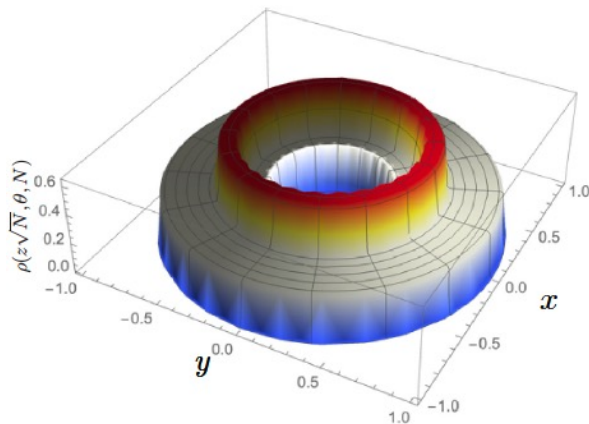
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- More generally, solving  $\frac{4}{M} \sum_{q=1}^{k^*+1} \sqrt{q(q + \sqrt{cM})} = 1$  gives the critical line  $c_{k^*+1}(M)$

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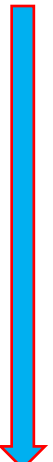
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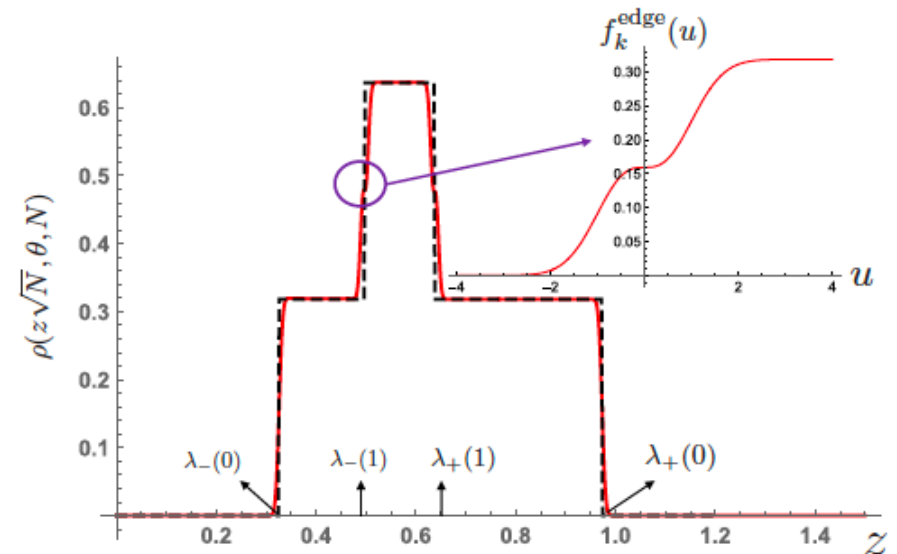
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(Analytical expression - black-dashed line)

- The bulk (when  $z$  is far away from edges) is characterized by multiple indicator functions.
- Next, we study the edge properties

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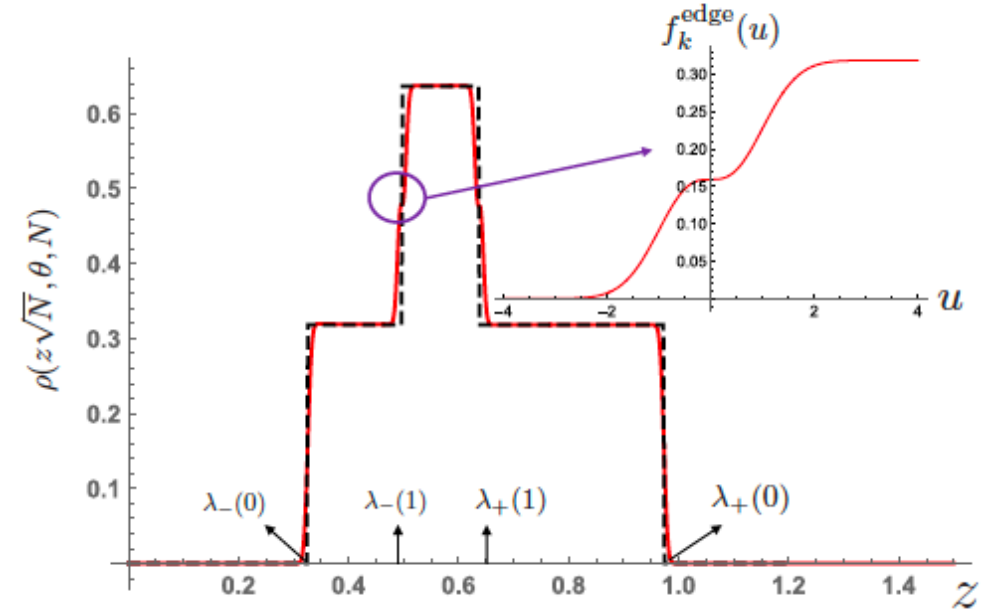
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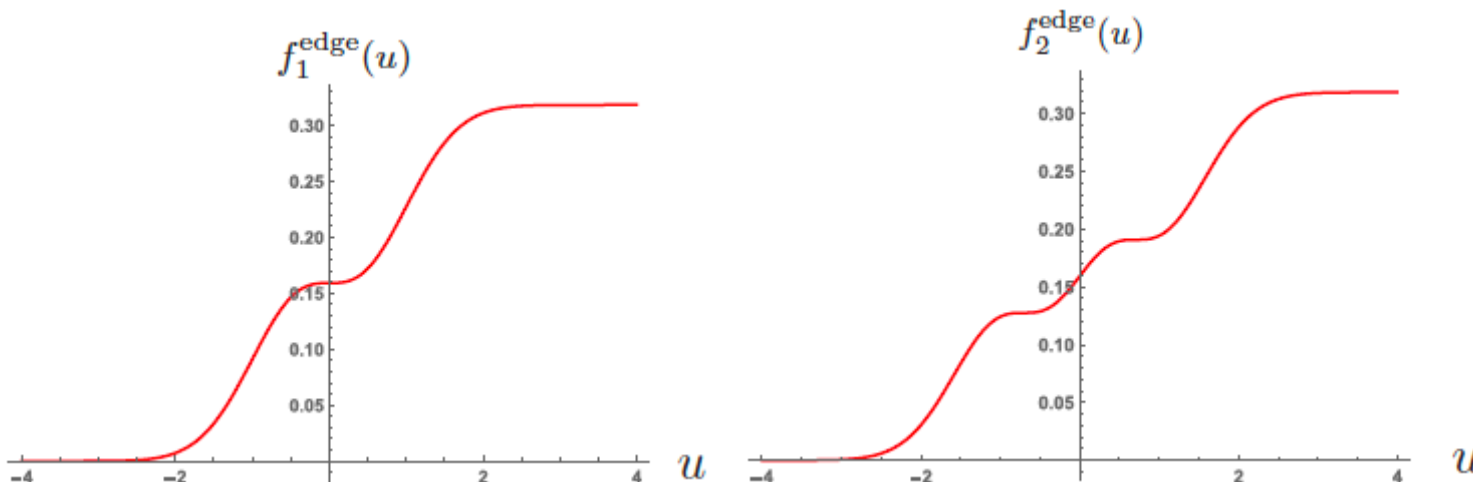
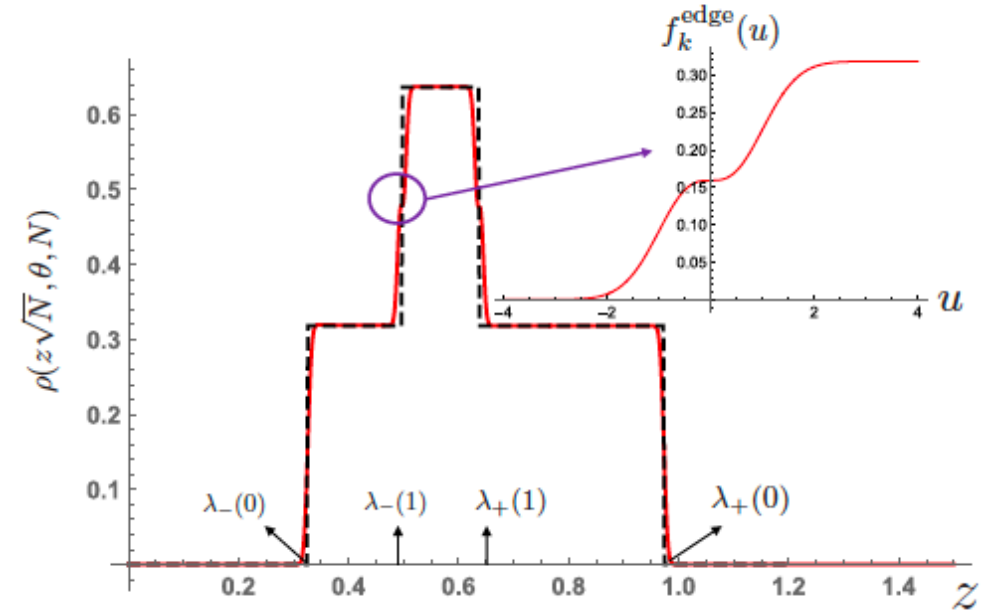
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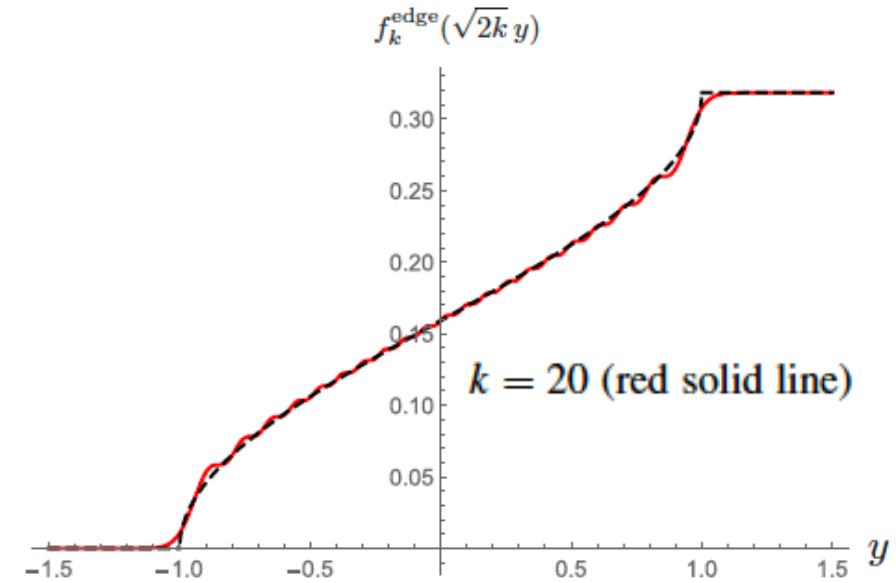


- $f_k(u)$  has  $k$  kinks as a function of  $u$
- The location of the kinks in the edge density of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  band coincide with the zeros of  $k^{\text{th}}$  Hermite polynomial
- Kink positions are related to Steiltjes problem and kink density is a Wigner Semi-circle

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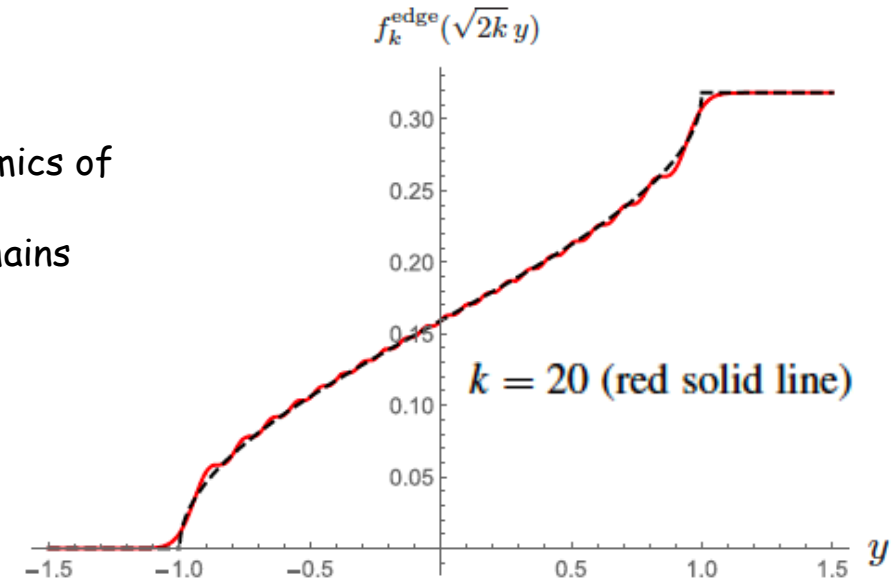


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Scaling forms of dynamics of magnetization profile for XX quantum spin chains [Antal et al, PRE 1999]



Close to  $u = \pm\sqrt{2k}$  there is an interesting edge region of width  $O(k^{-1/6})$  where the density is described by Airy functions very similar to the well-known “Tracy-Widom” regime at the edge of the Wigner semicircle in RMT

$$u = -\sqrt{2k} + \frac{w}{\sqrt{2k^{1/6}}} \text{ with } w = O(1)$$

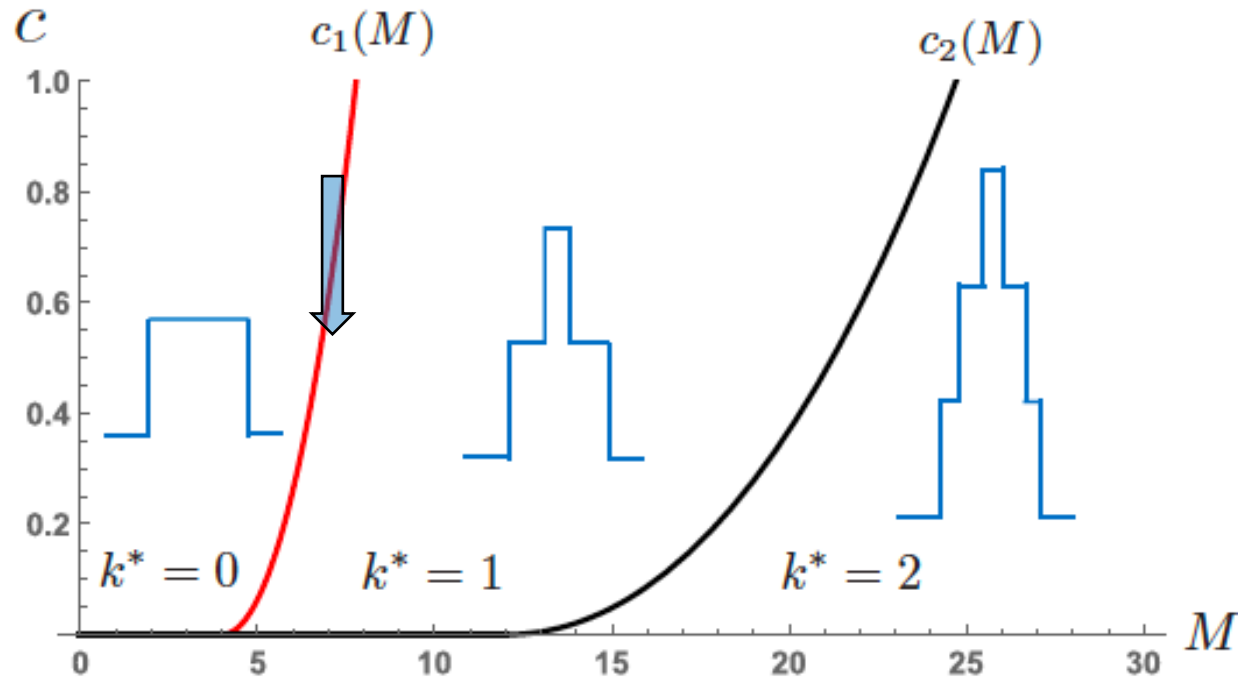
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$$\mathcal{F}(w) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \text{Ai}^2(v-w) dv = \frac{1}{\pi} ([\text{Ai}'(-w)]^2 + w \text{Ai}^2(-w)),$$

Standard Airy Function

Analog of Bowick, Brezin (1991), Forrester (1993)

## Emergence of new droplet as one crosses the critical line



- When  $k^*$  changes from  $k^* = 0$  to  $k^* = 1$  (i.e., a new band is included below the Fermi level), how does the density profile change from one layered to two layered?

- Let us denote  $c = c_1(M) \equiv c_1$

$$c = c_1 - \Delta \text{ where } 0 < \Delta \ll 1$$

Measures the location the distance in the phase diagram with respect to the critical line

- The question is given  $\Delta$  how does the second droplet emerge?
- Large  $N$  calculations along with several reparameterizations

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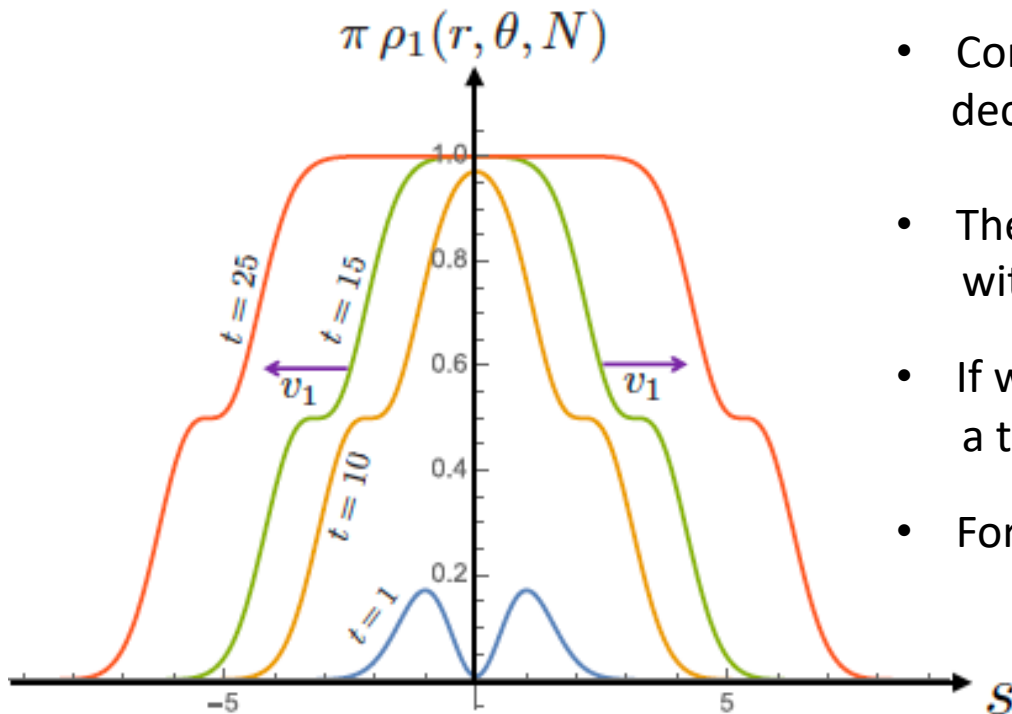
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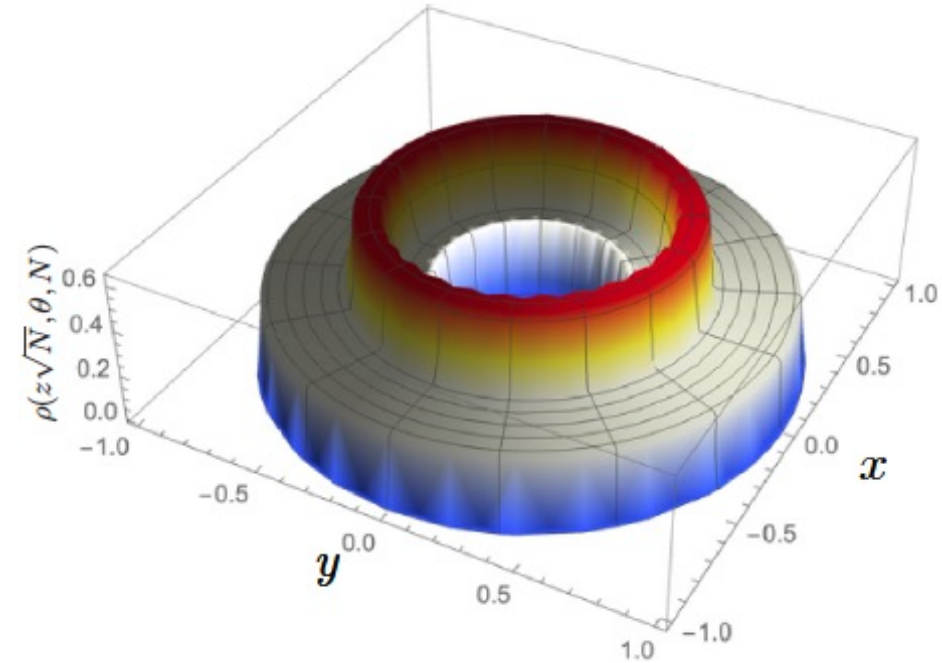
- The scaled density has an interesting travelling front structure
- Consider the density as a function of  $s$  for a fixed  $t$ . The density decays to 0 very rapidly as  $|s| \gg v_1 t$
- Therefore, the two edges of this profile move “ballistically” with increasing  $t$  with a “speed” given by  $v_1$
- If we interpret  $t$  as a “time,” then at late times the density profile develops a traveling front structure with velocity  $v_1$
- For large  $t$ , the density has a constant value  $1/\pi$  for all  $|s| < v_1 t$



We did similar analysis for transition in higher bands

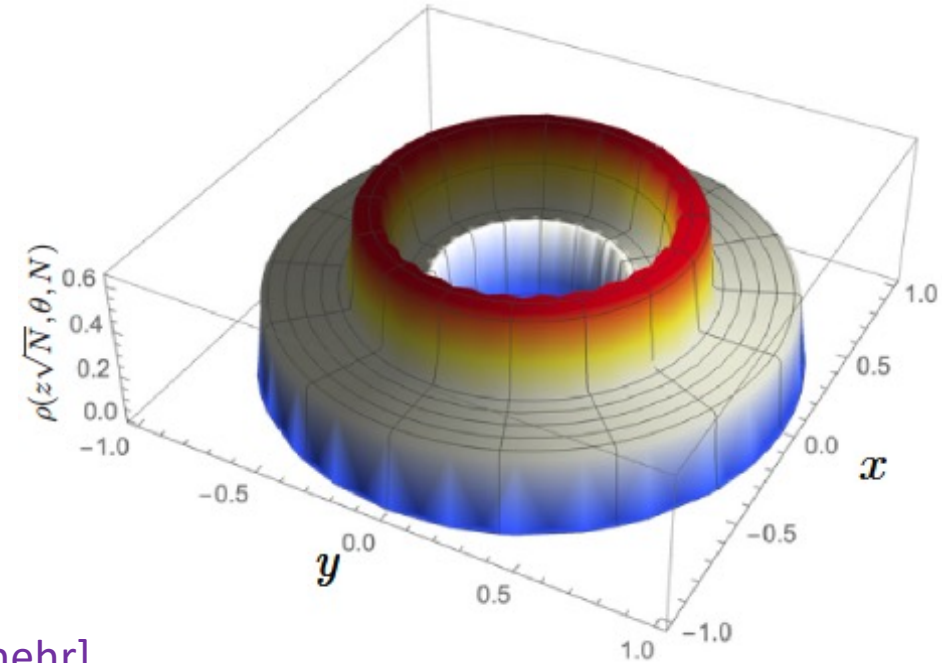
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## Future

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- Banded filing of Fermions [1D was related to  $\alpha$ -determinant process, Cunden, Majumdar ,O'Connell 2019]
- Number variance , entanglement entropy, correlations, generalized gap statistics
- Field Theory Descriptions, Phase space hydrodynamics [Generalizing 1D – M.K. , Mandal, Morita, PRA 2018]