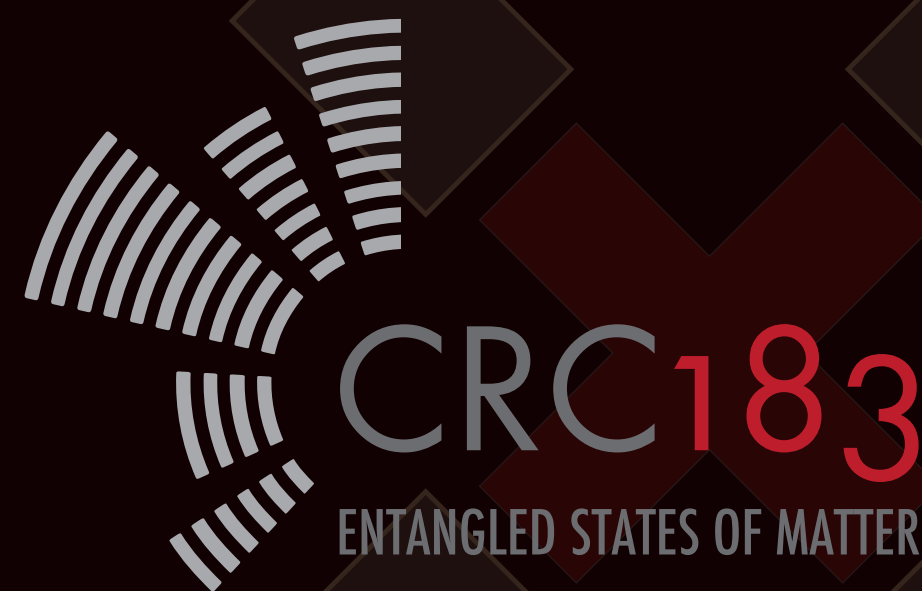


# Monitored Kitaev Spin Liquids

Spin Liquids from Measurement-Only Quantum Circuits

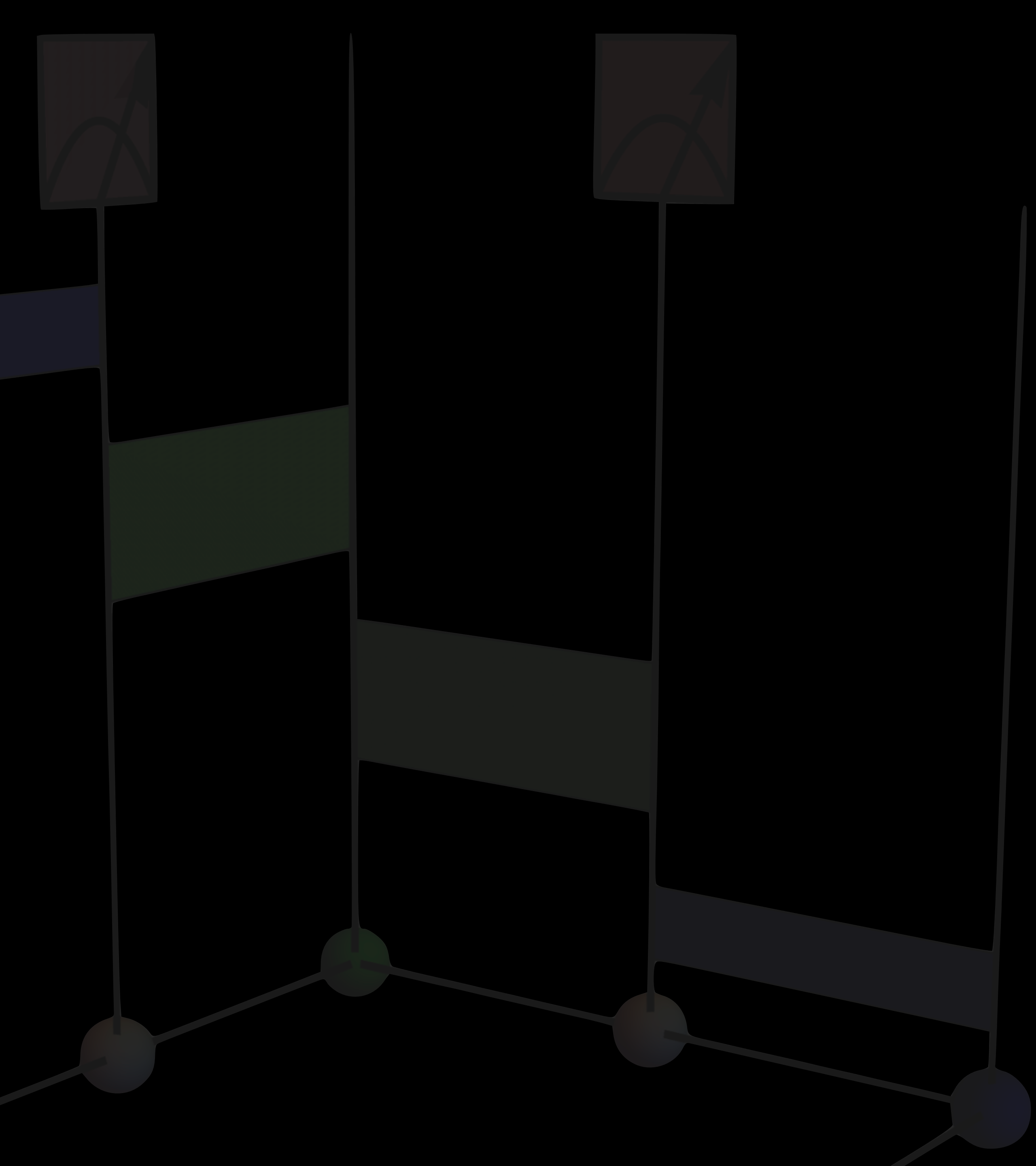


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**monitored  
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# monitored dynamics

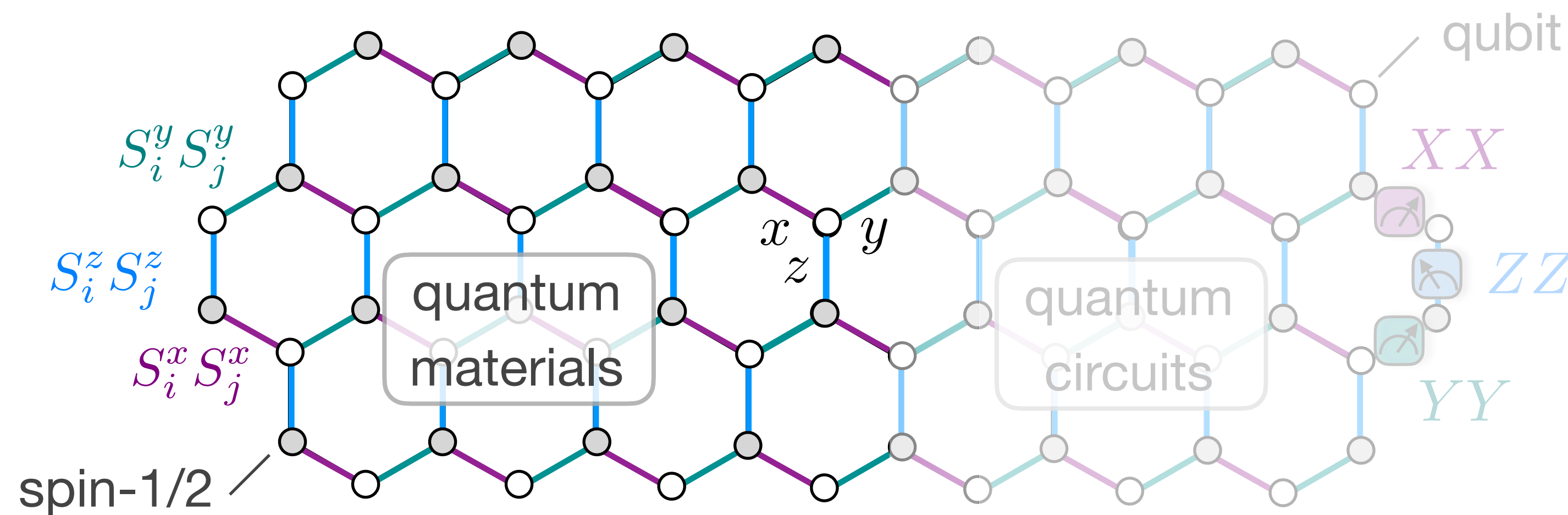
## Hamiltonian dynamics

- **equilibrium** dynamics of **isolated** systems
- **unitary** evolution
- energy **conserved**
- quantum **ground states**
- **area-law entanglement** structures
- macroscopic entanglement (spin liquids)

## measurement dynamics

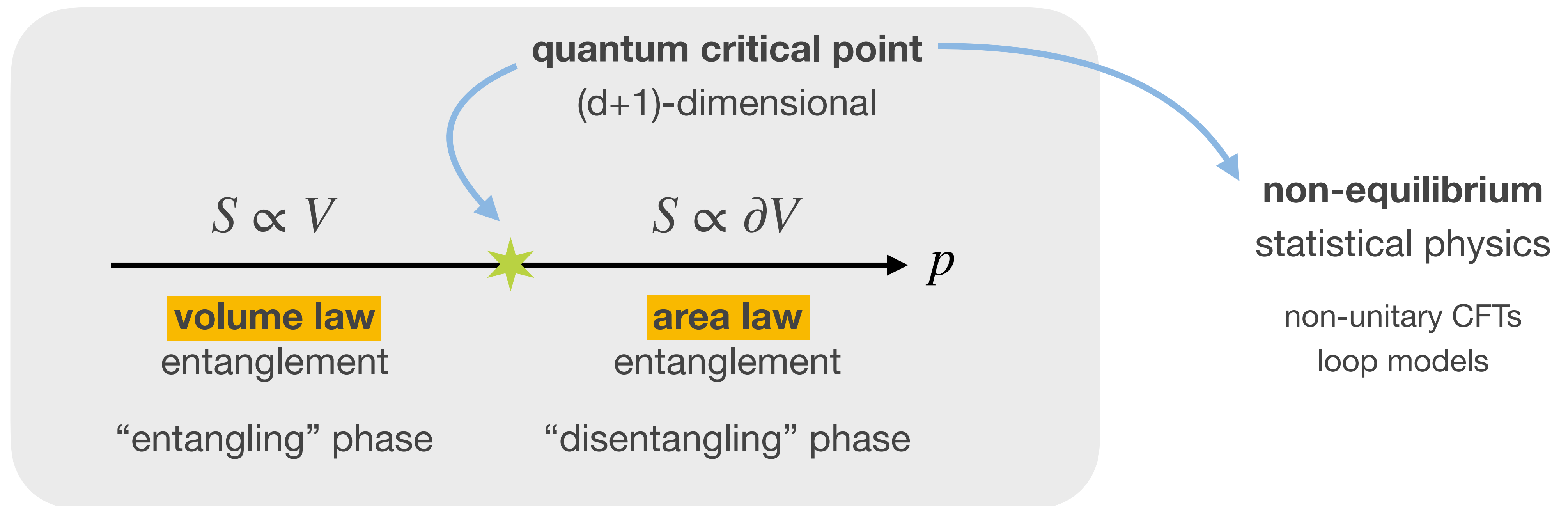
- **out-of-equilibrium** dynamics of **open** systems
- **non-unitary** evolution
- energy **not conserved**
- long-time **steady states**
- **plethora of entanglement** structures
- macroscopic entanglement (spin liquids)

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magnetic  
exchange



  
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# entanglement phase transitions



**paradigmatic example:** many-body localised (MBL) to chaos transition  
logarithmic vs. algebraic entanglement growth in time

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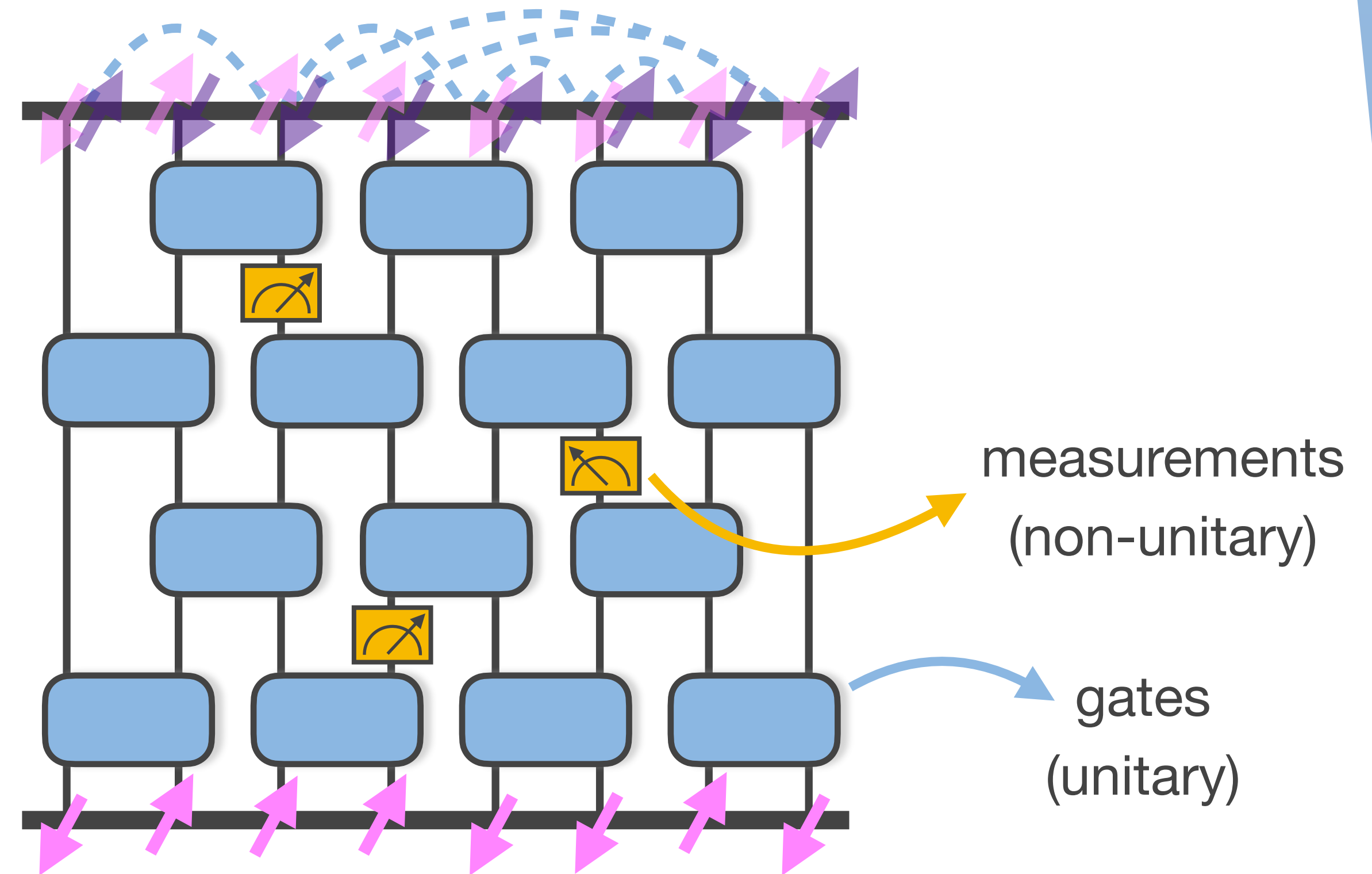
# entanglement phase transitions

## hybrid **unitary/projective** dynamics

- **competition** between **scrambling** (unitary) and **disentangling** (measurement) dynamics
- entanglement dynamics along *single quantum trajectories*
- **entanglement phase transition** as function of measurement rate

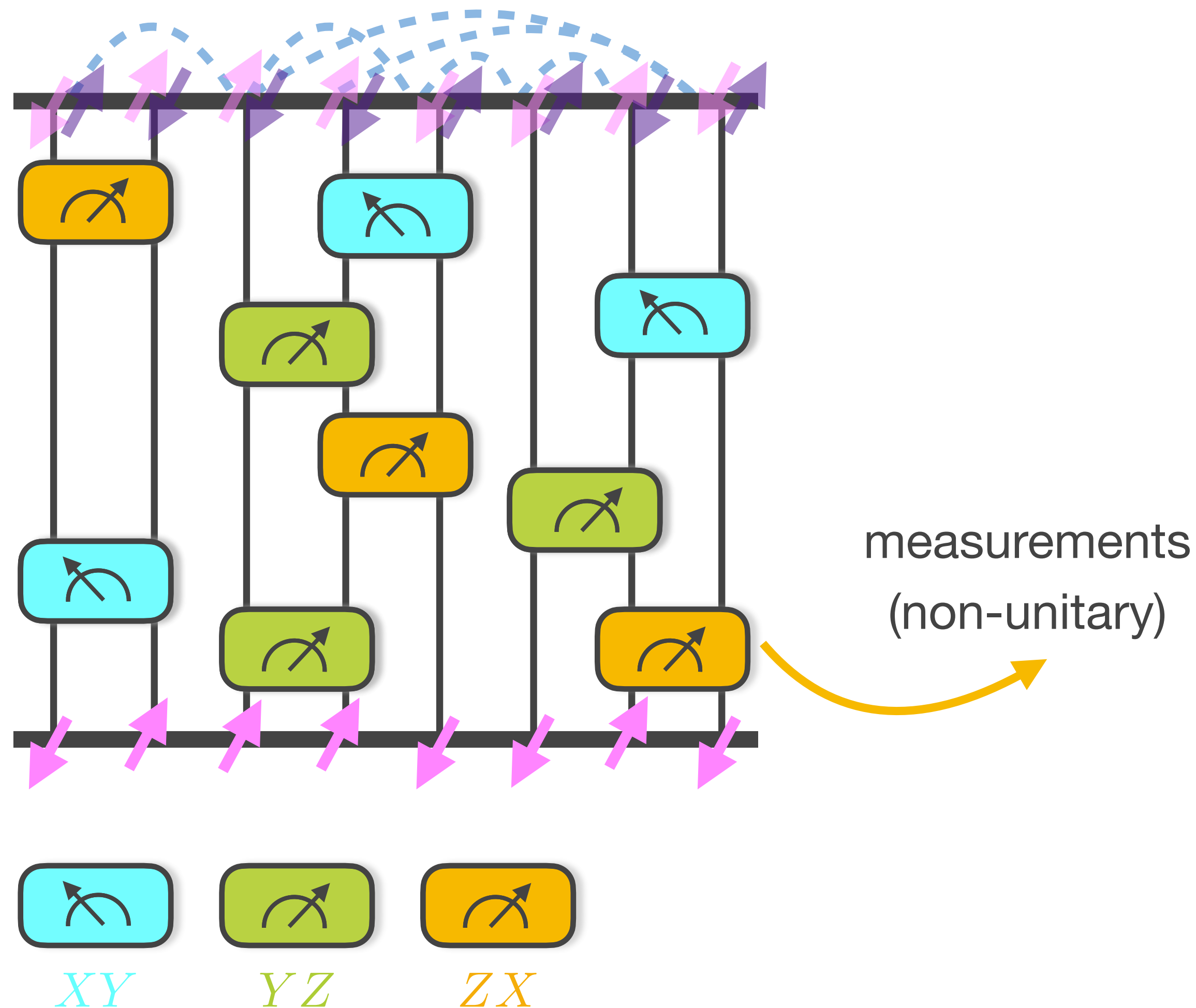
volume-law phase is unexpected

- quantum **coherence is a delicate resource** building up entanglement takes long  $O(N)$
- unitary dynamics hides quantum info in **nonlocal correlations** inaccessible to local measurements
- quantum error correcting code



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# entanglement phase transitions



## measurement-only dynamics

- **scrambling** and **unscrambling** effects are fundamentally intertwined
- **frustration** by **non-commuting** measurements is key ingredient
- **local** operators alone can induce **volume-law** entanglement

volume-law phase is unexpected

- two-qubit measurements cannot induce volume-law entanglement, but **multi-qubit measurements** can
- **structured** volume-law phases can appear
- quantum error correcting **codes**





# meet the team

G. Zhu & ST, forthcoming preprint

G. Zhu, N. Tantivasadakarn, ST arXiv:2303.17627

G. Zhu *et al.* arXiv:2208.11136



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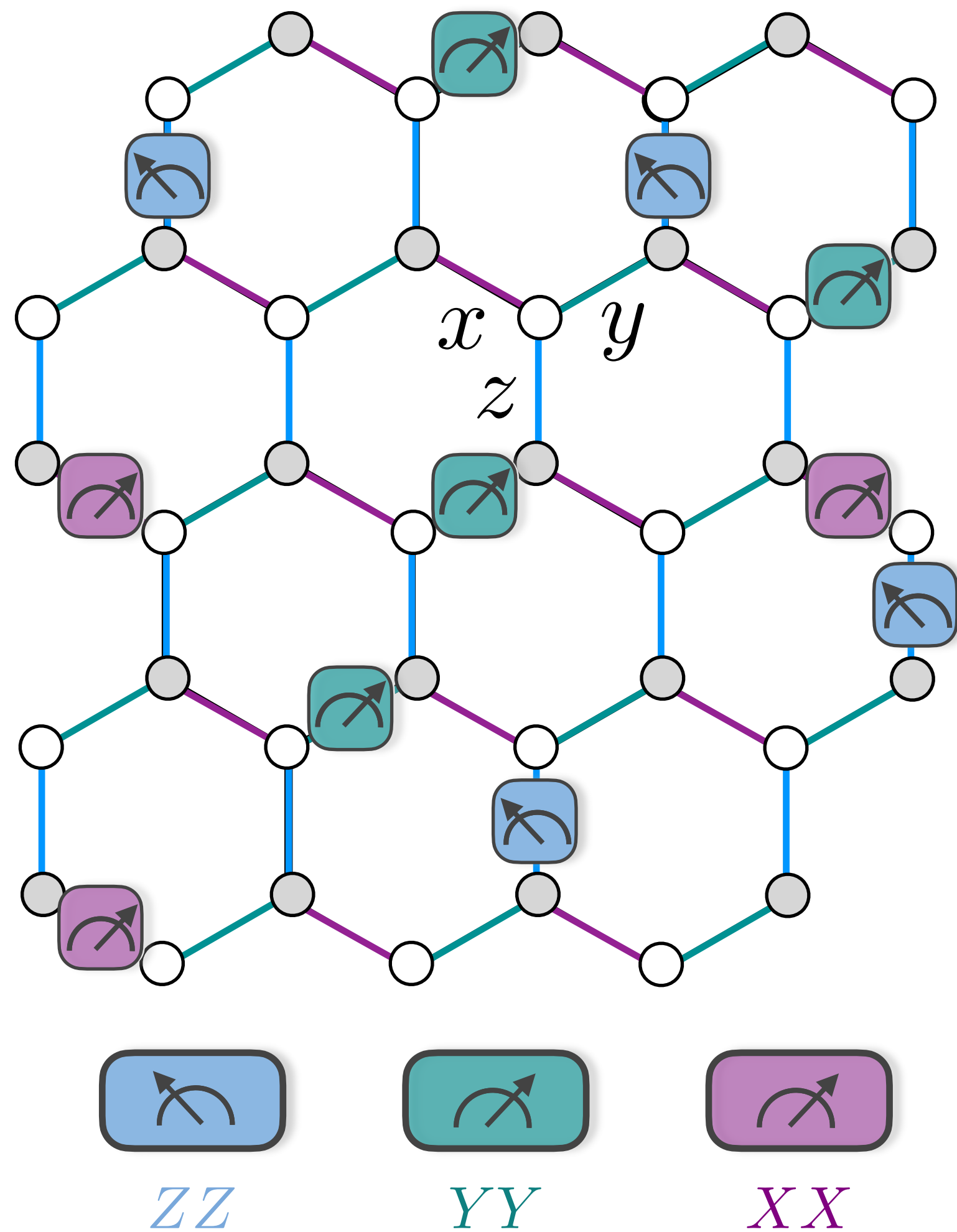
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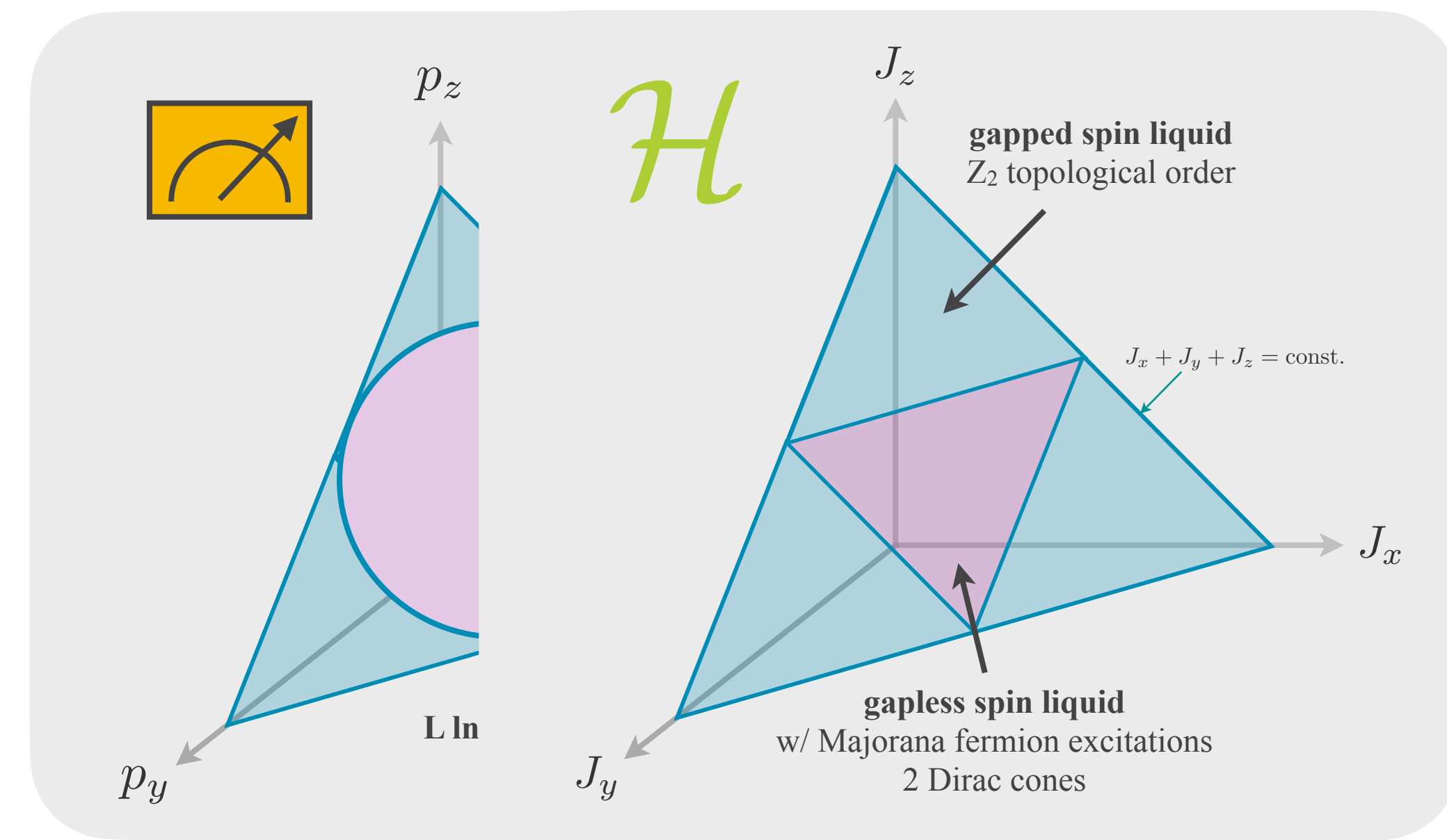


# measurement-only Kitaev circuits



## measurement-only dynamics

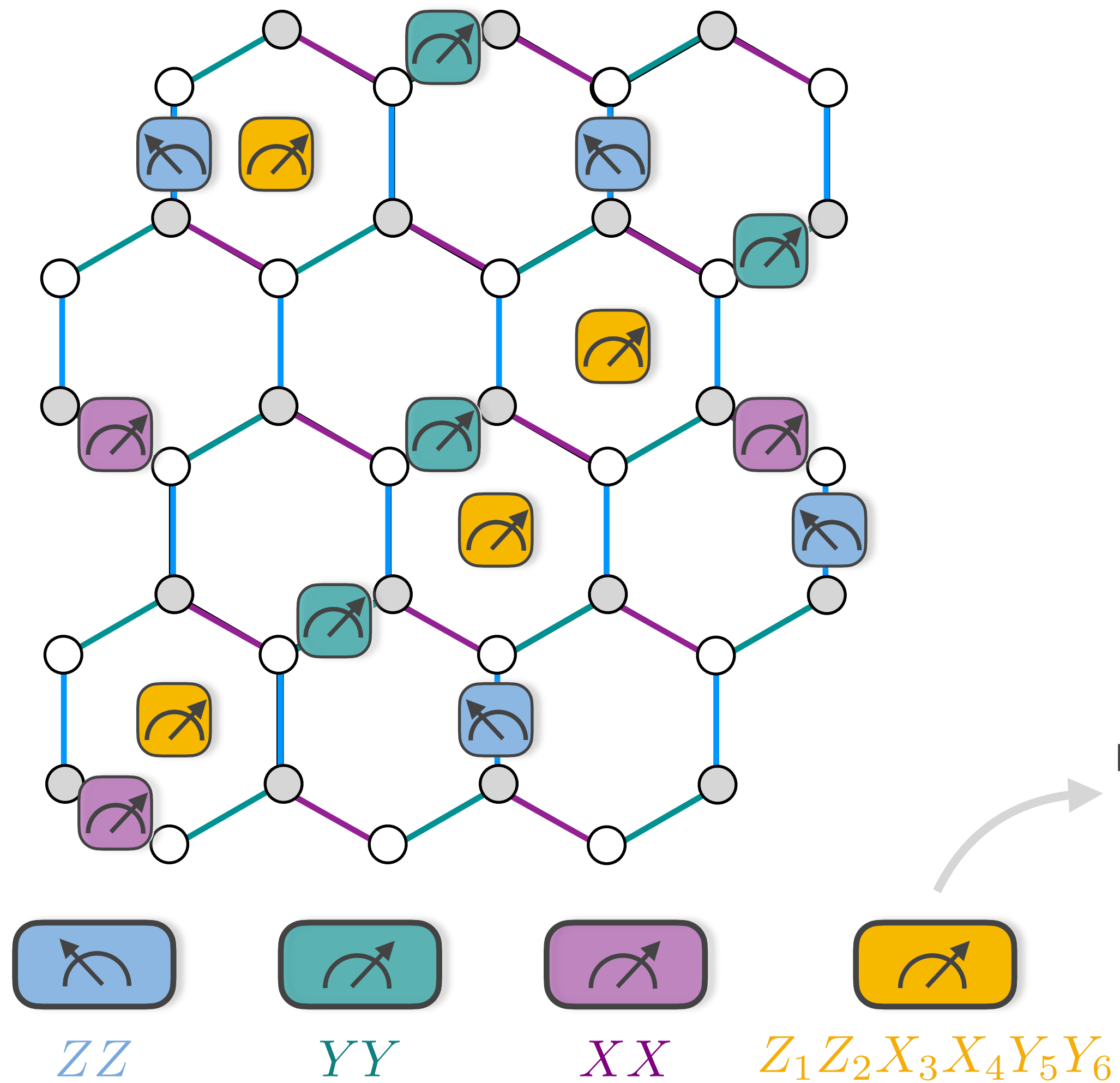
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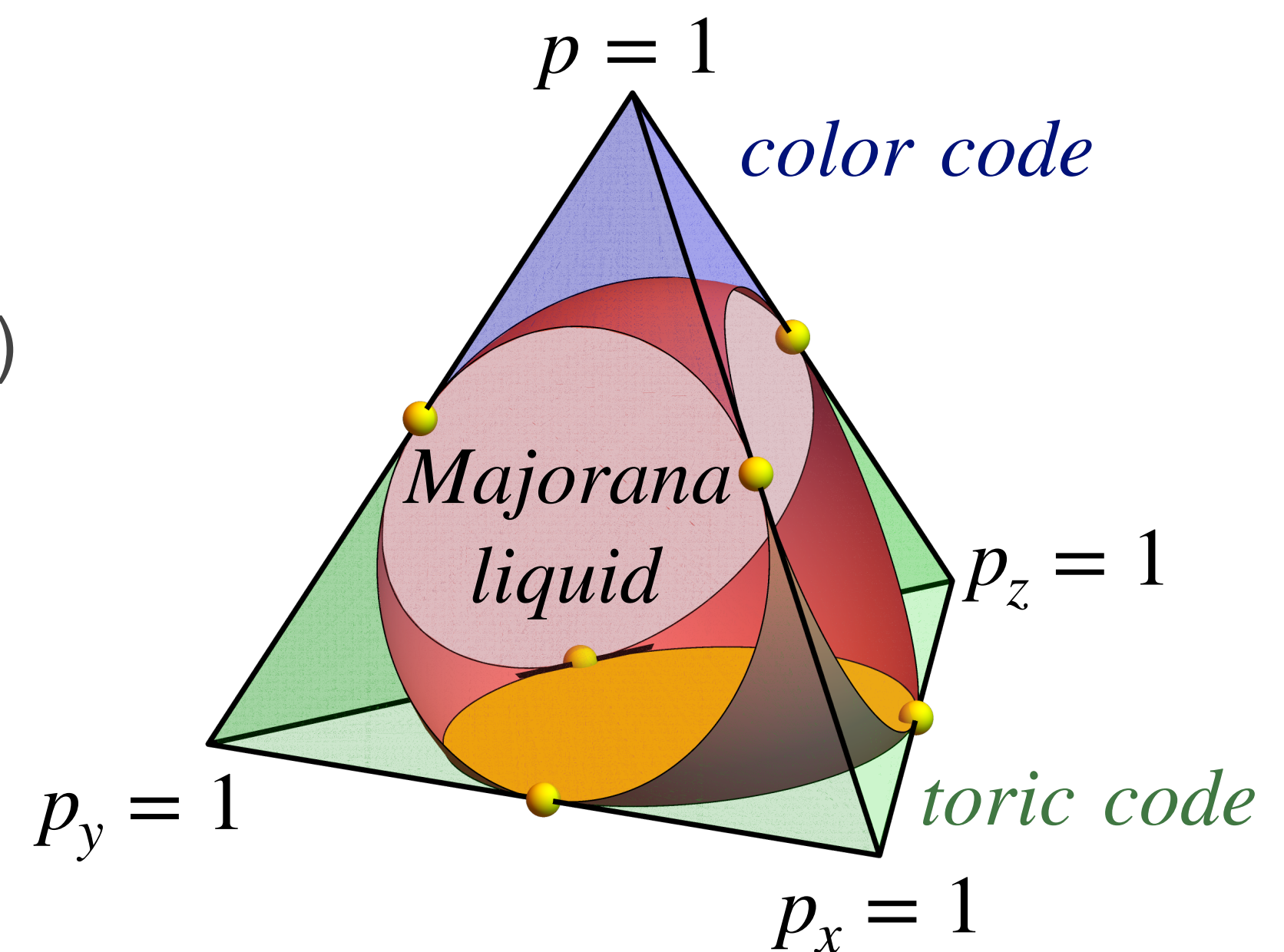
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not (commuting)  
plaquette flux

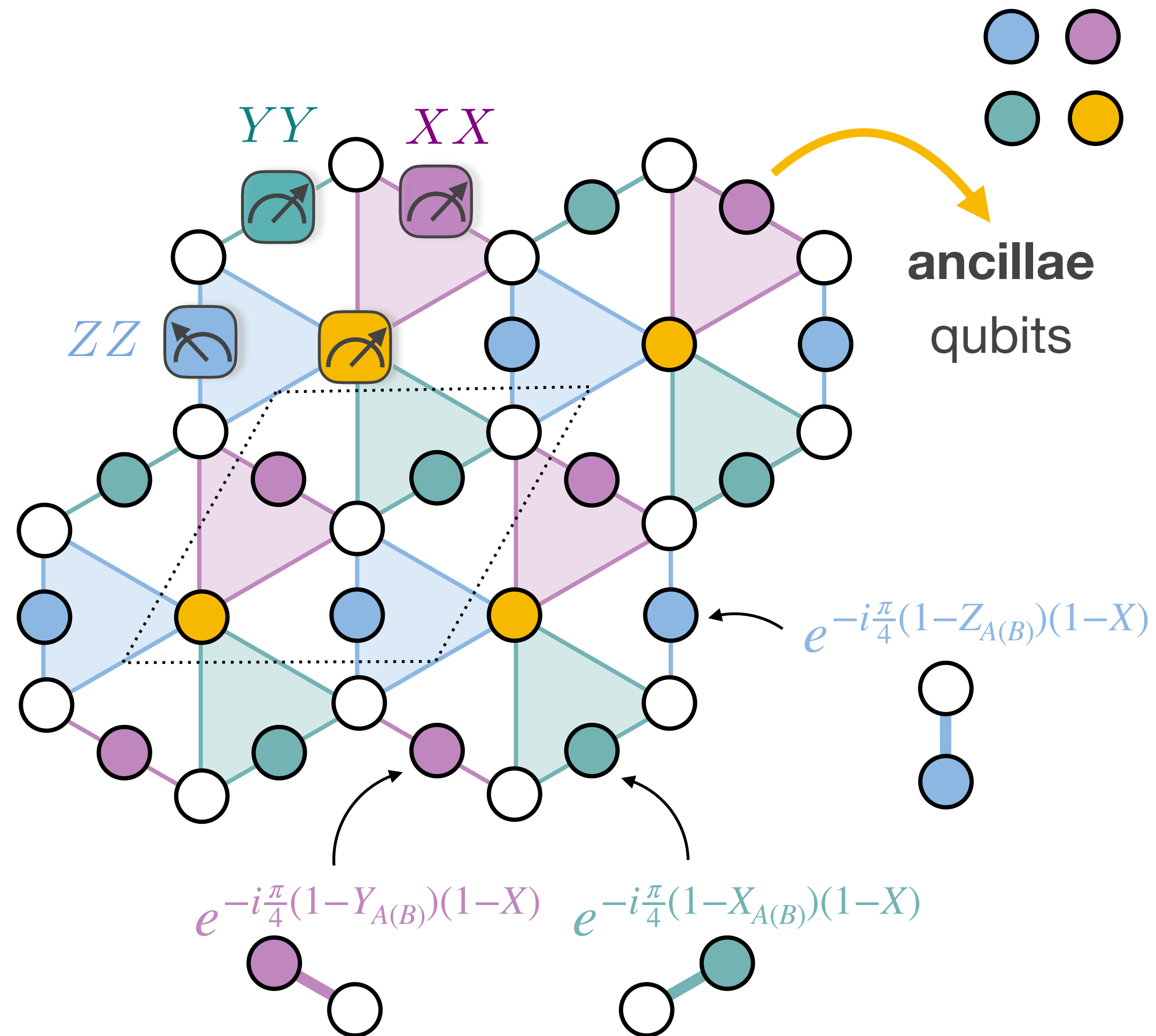
## measurement-only dynamics

- non-commuting **two-qubit** and **six-qubit** measurements
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# mid-circuit measurements



Monitored random unitary circuit implementation

- randomly **couple physical to ancillae qubits** by (rotation x CNOT gate)
- **measure ancillae qubits** in Z basis

Realizations

- **transmon processors**

large number of qubits, mid-circuit measurements, close to IBM's heavy-hexagon geometry, deep circuits?

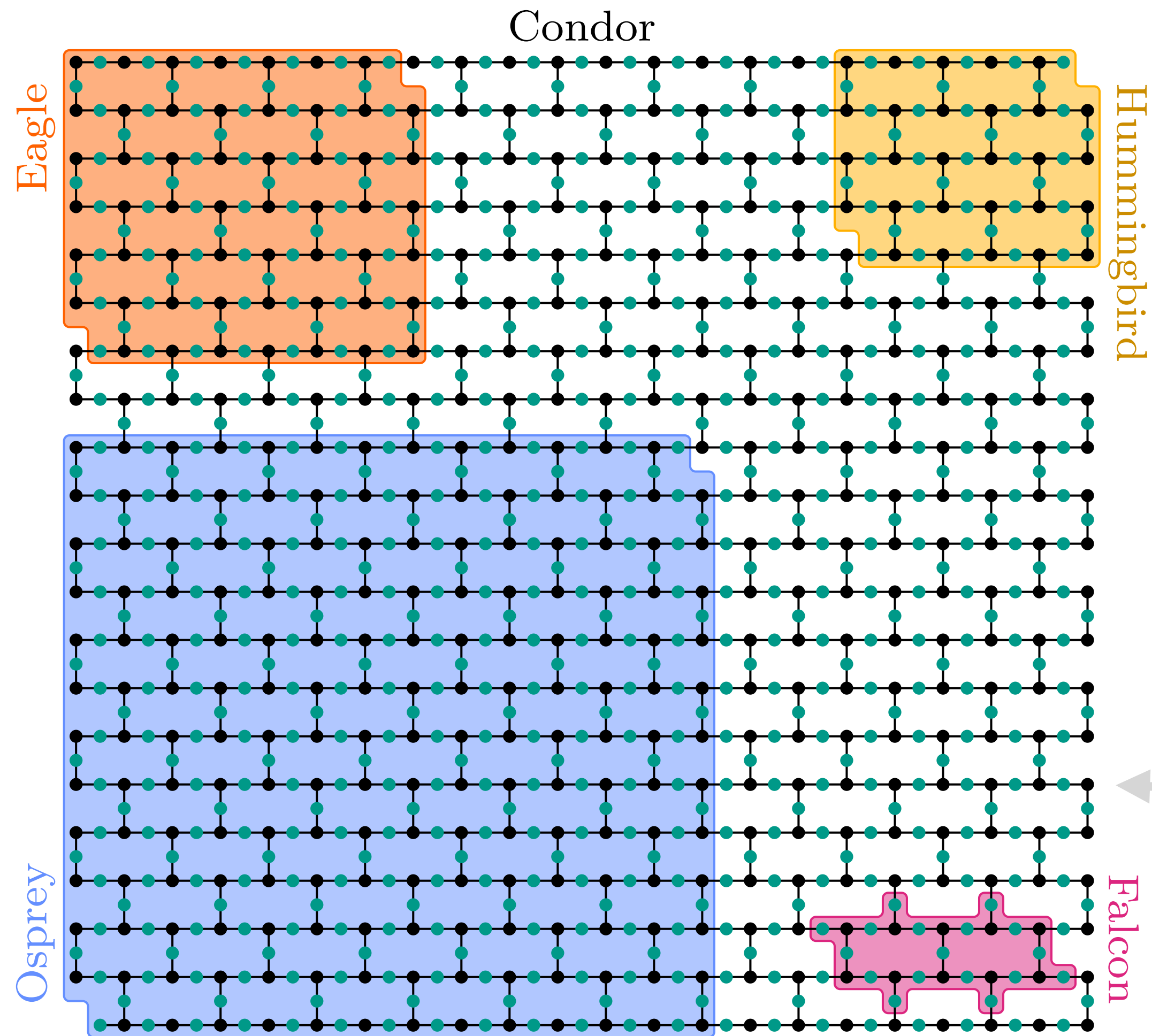
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measurement hard?

- **trapped ions**

small system sizes?

# mid-circuit measurements



heavy-hexagon geometry + Ising evolution gates

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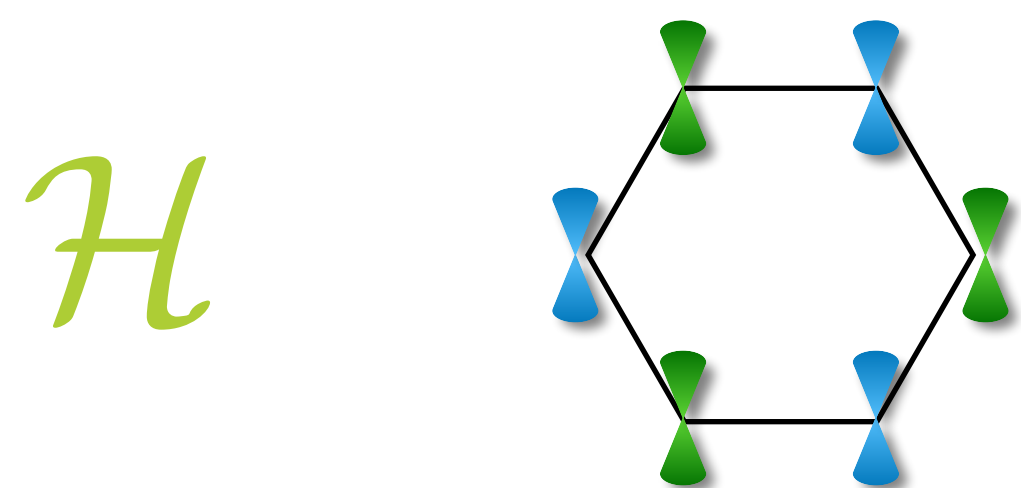
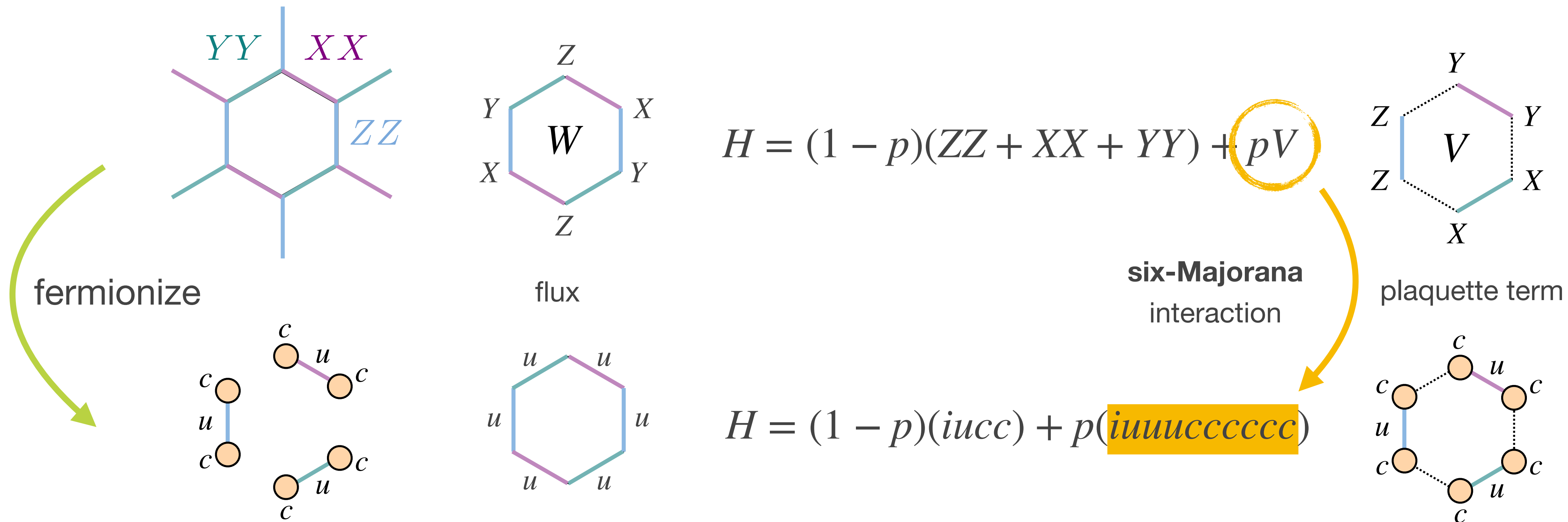
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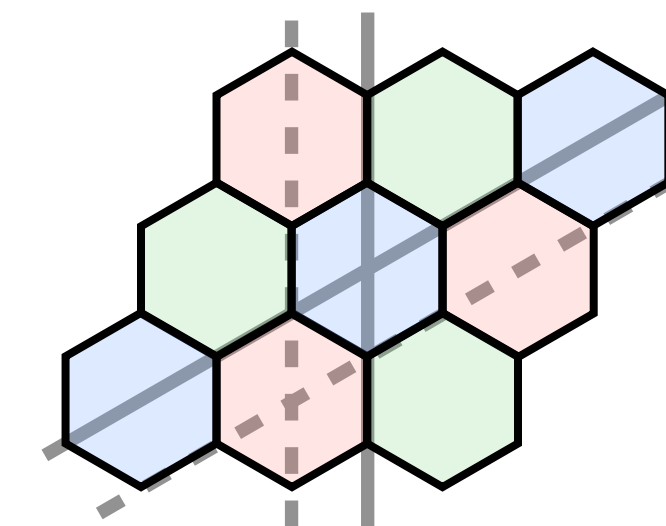
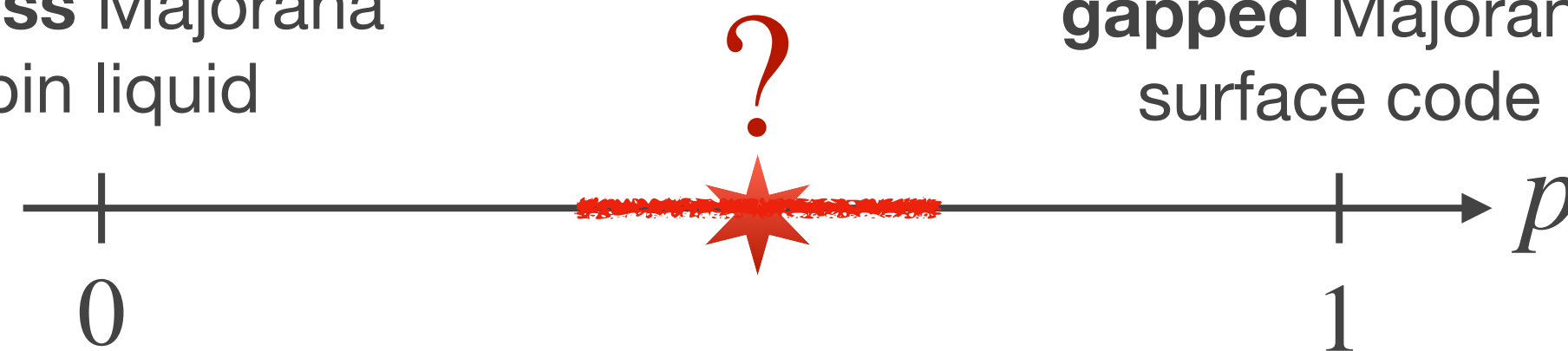
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# Majorana models (Hamiltonian)



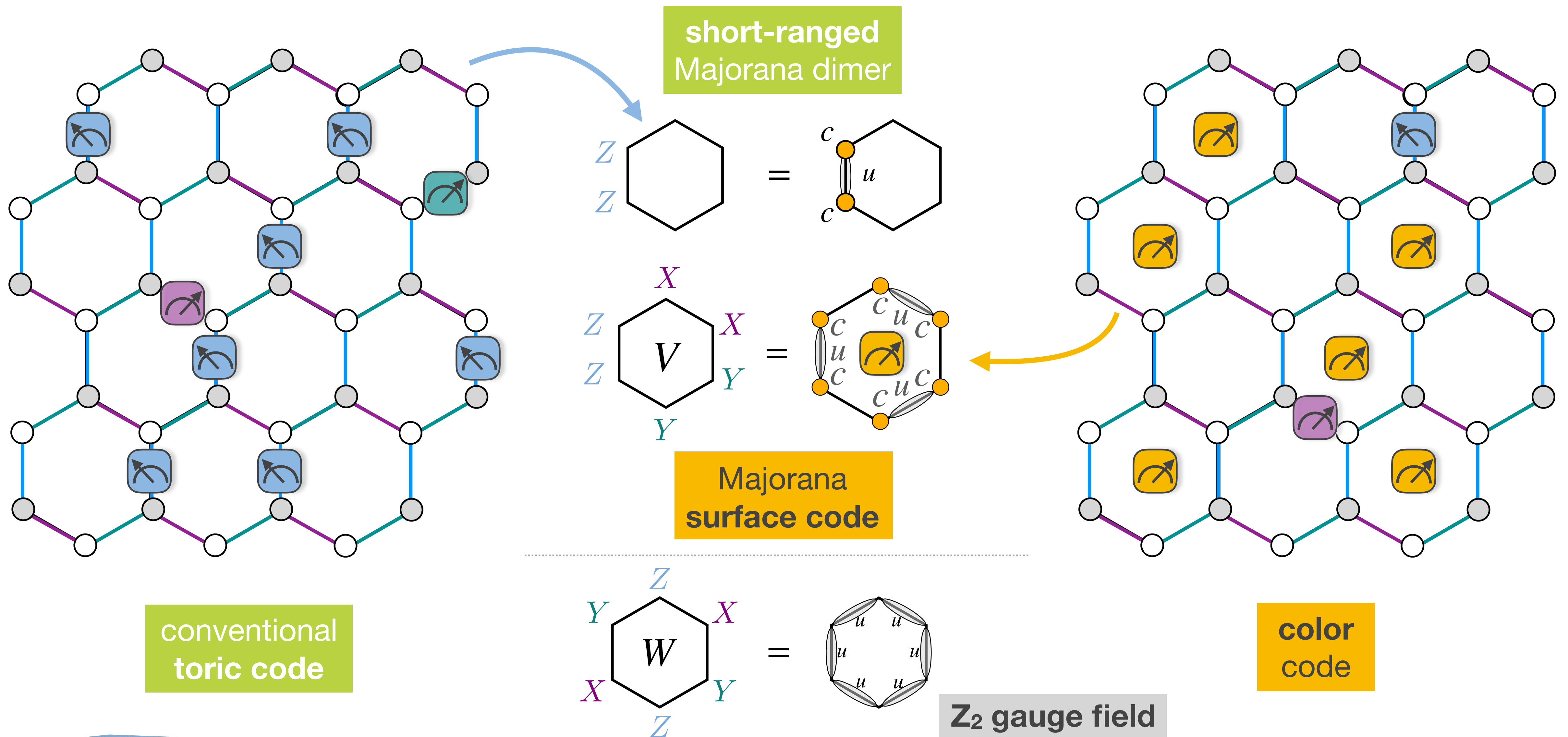
gapless Majorana spin liquid

gapped Majorana surface code

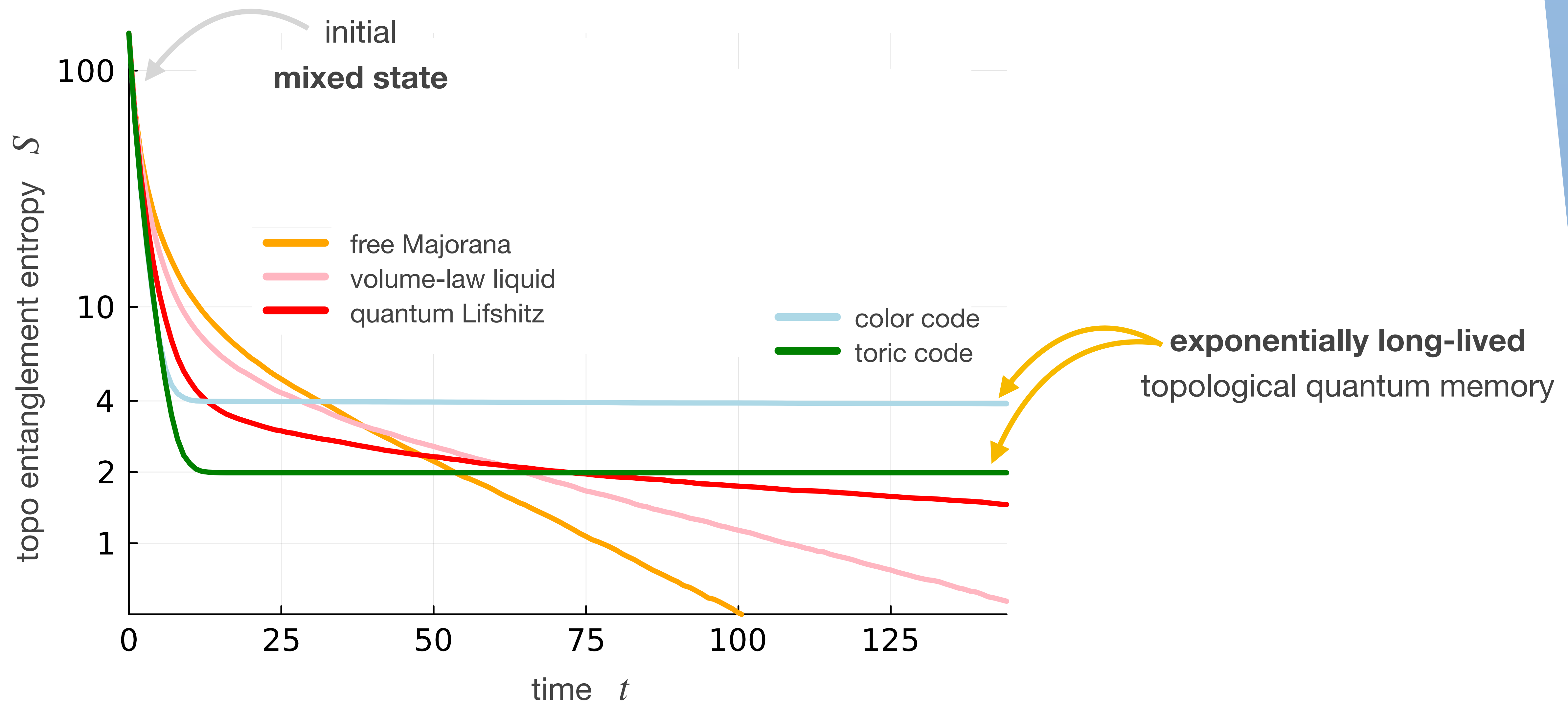


both phases are long-range entangled

# dynamically long-range entangled phases



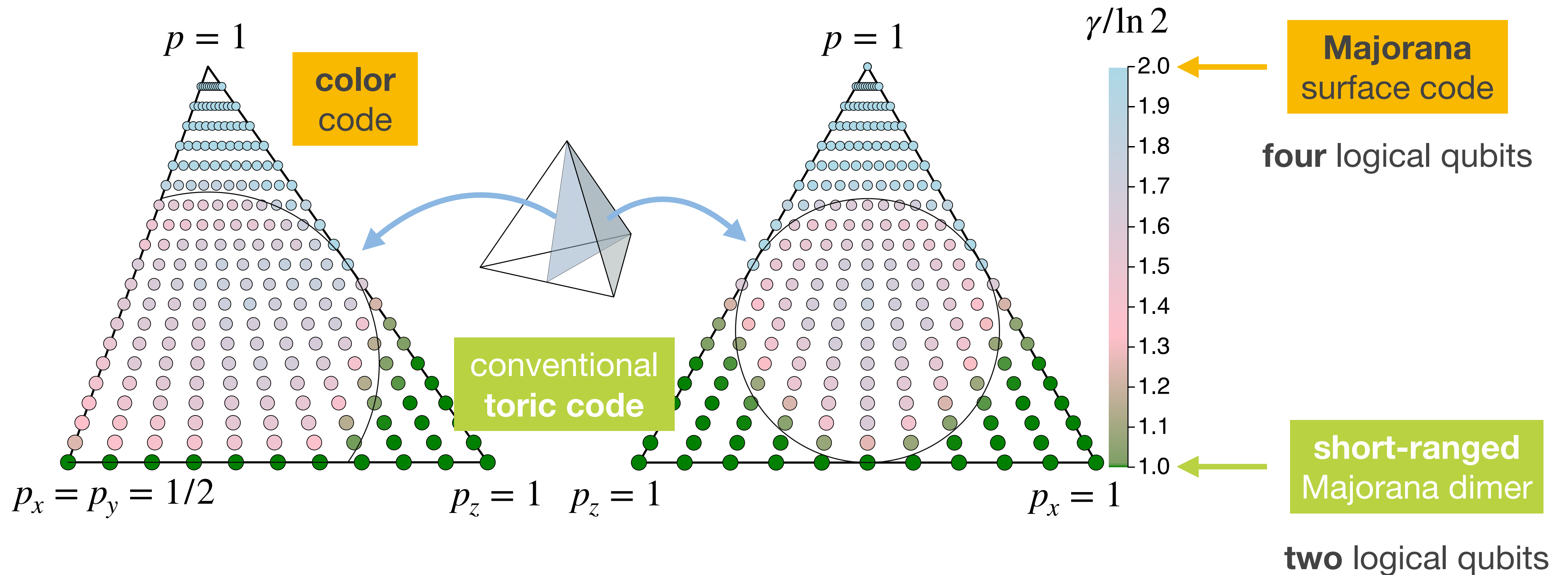
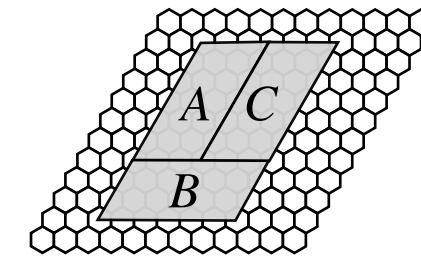
# purification dynamics





# long-range entangled phases

## topological entanglement entropy

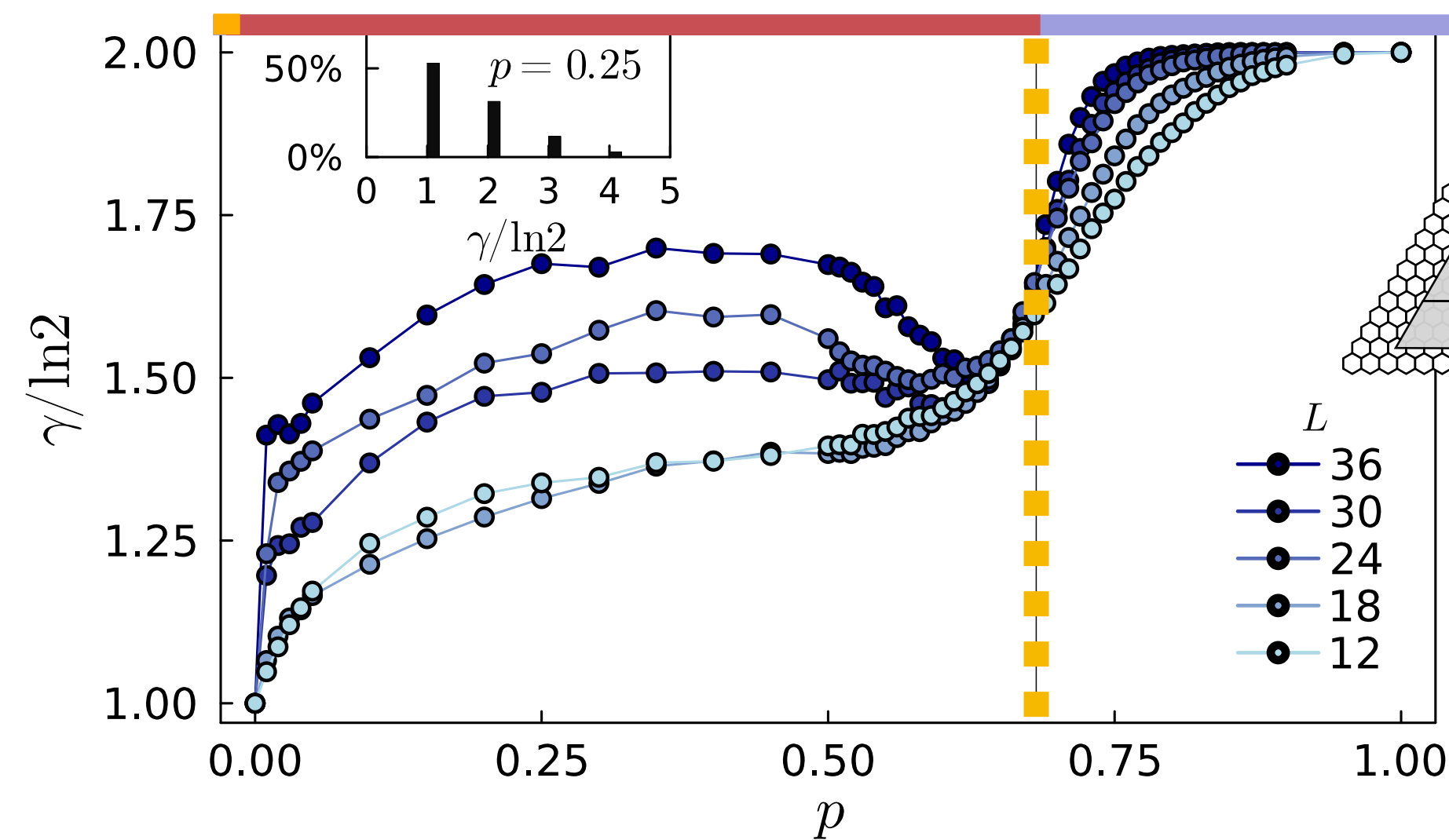
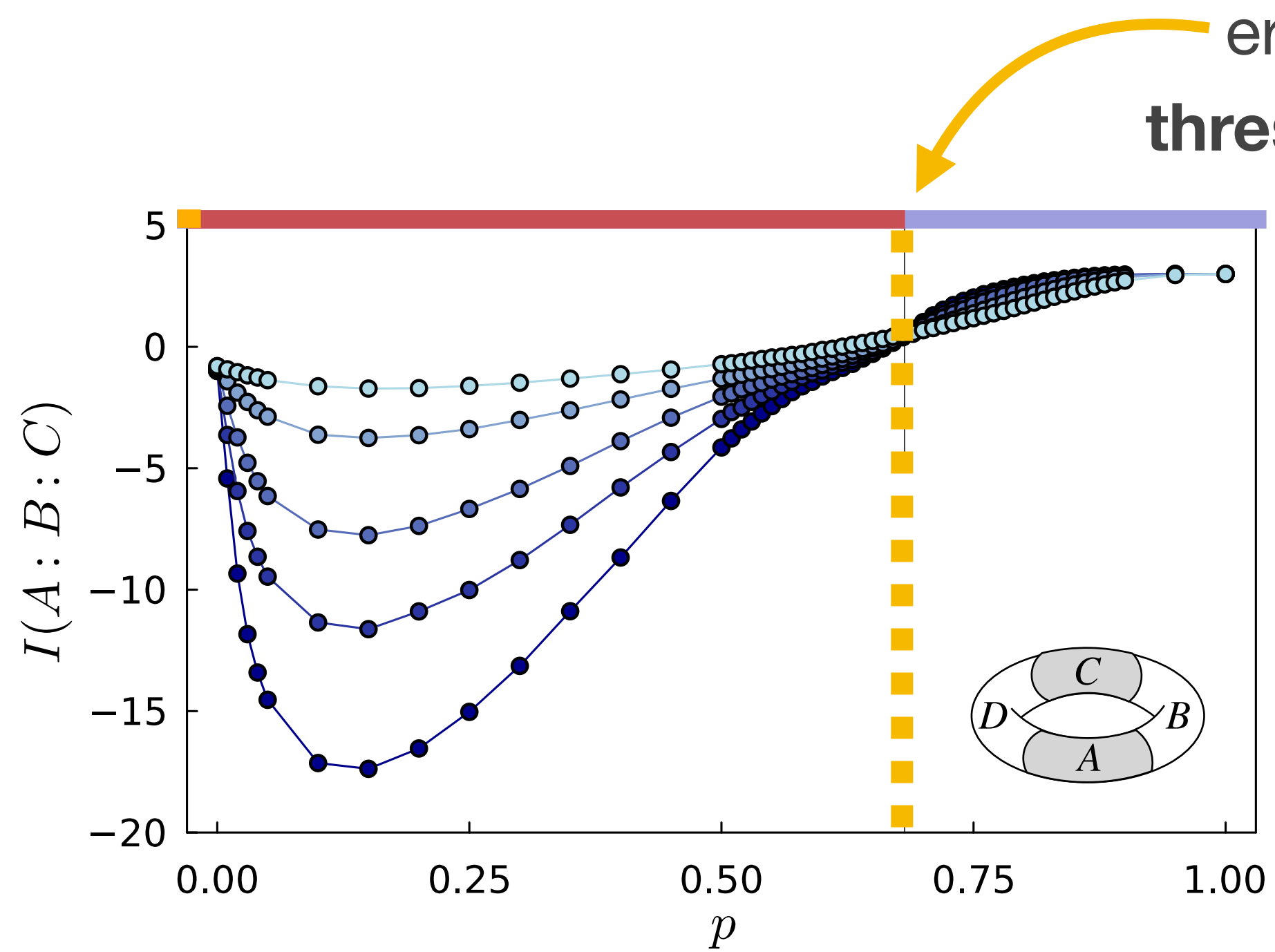
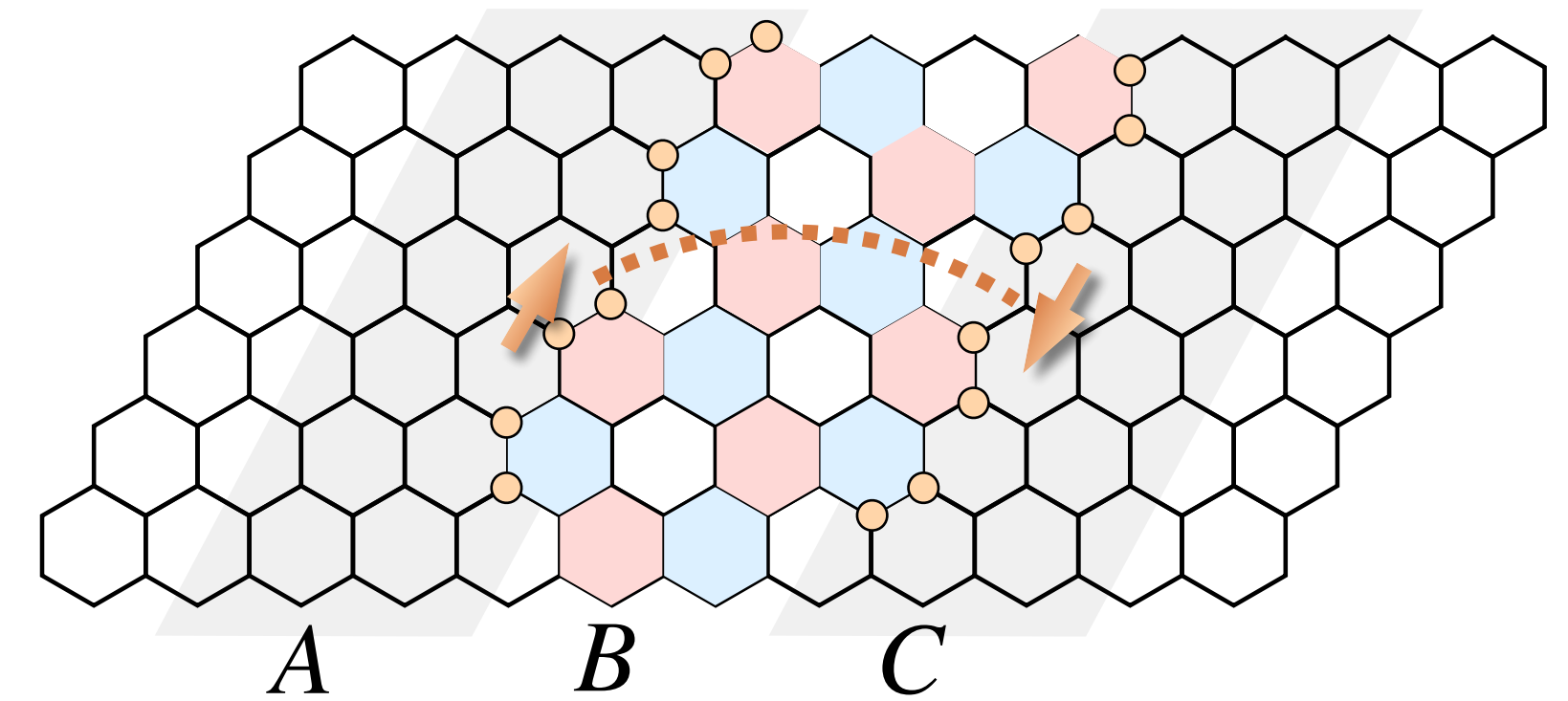




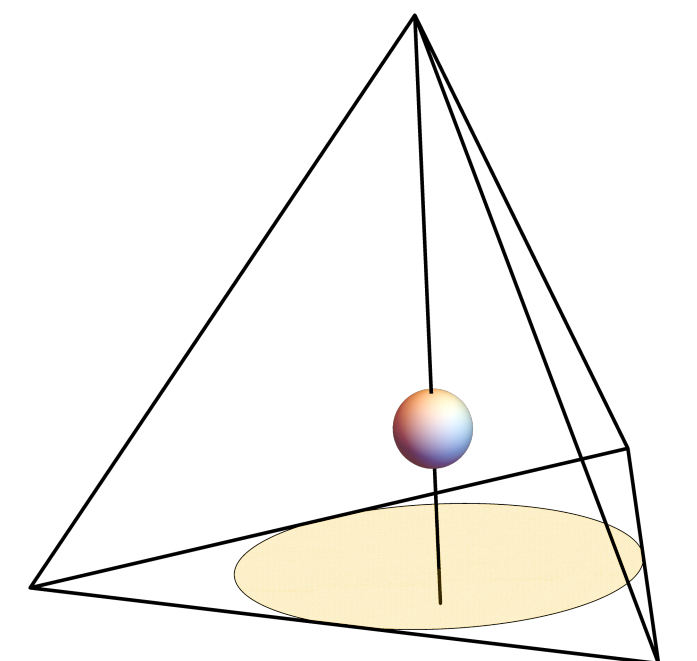
# error thresholds

## tripartite mutual information

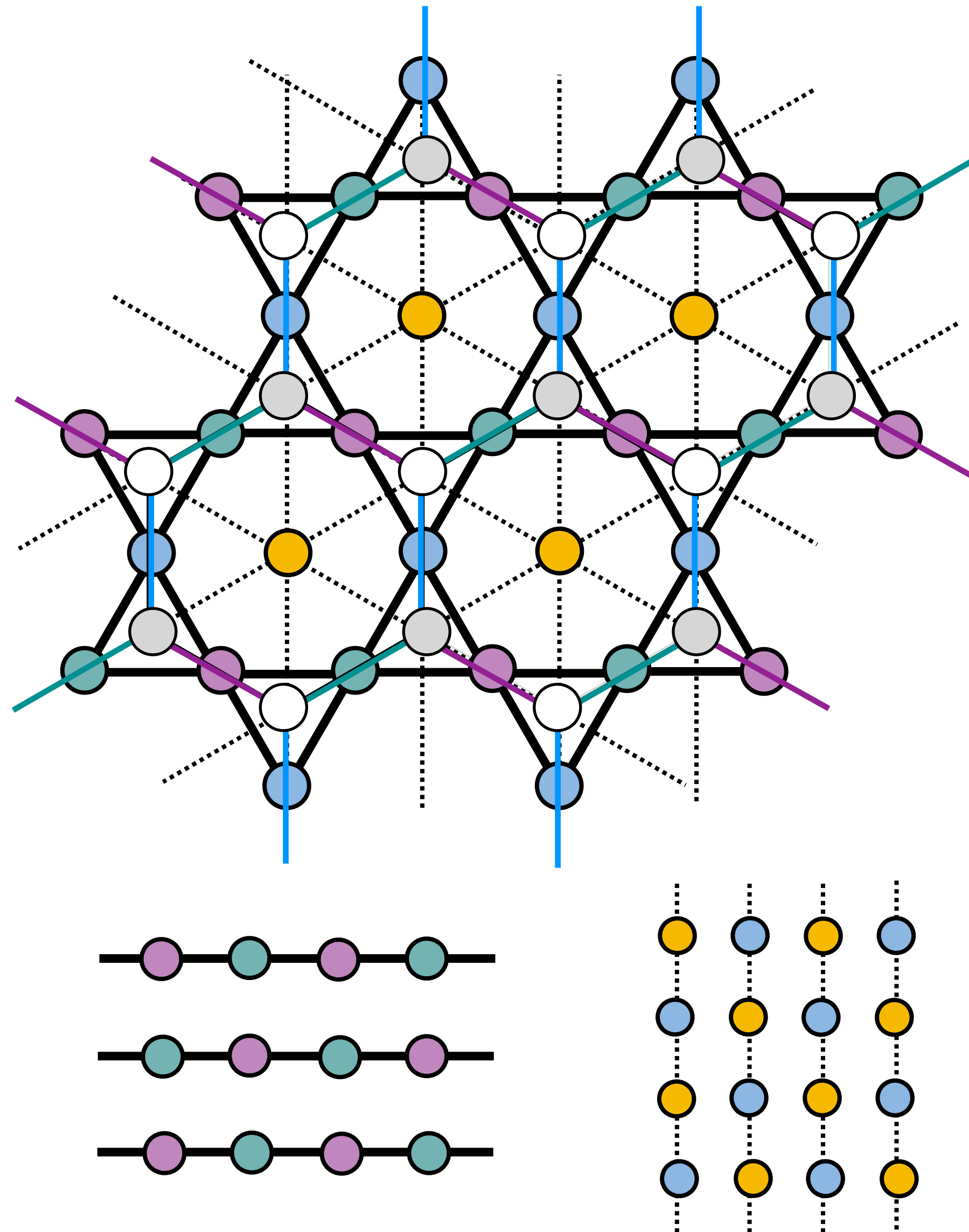
$$I(A : B : C) = S_A + S_B + S_C - S_{AB} - S_{AC} - S_{BC} + S_{ABC}$$



threshold for projective bond errors  
+ stochastic syndrome measurements



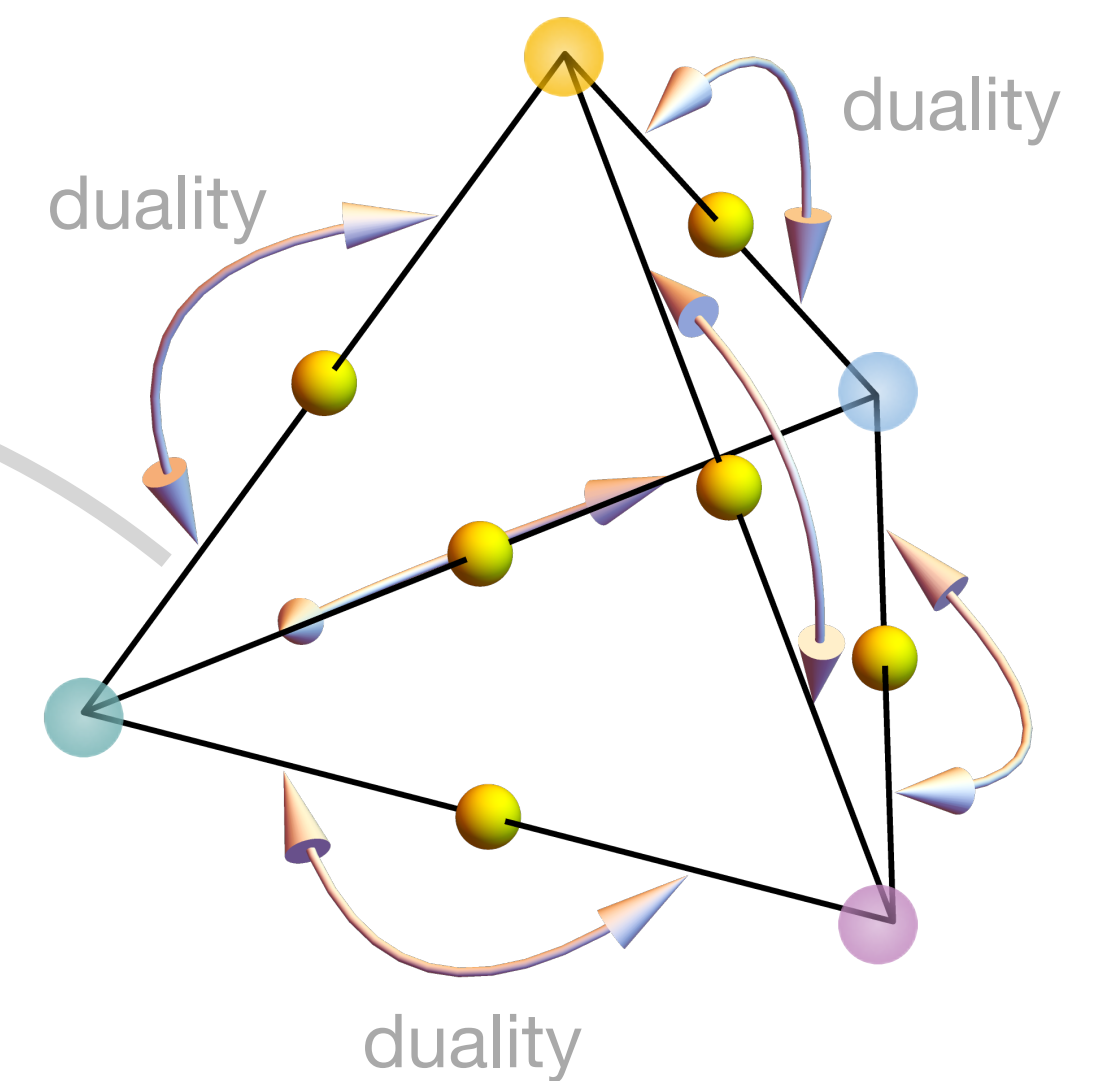
# frustration graph



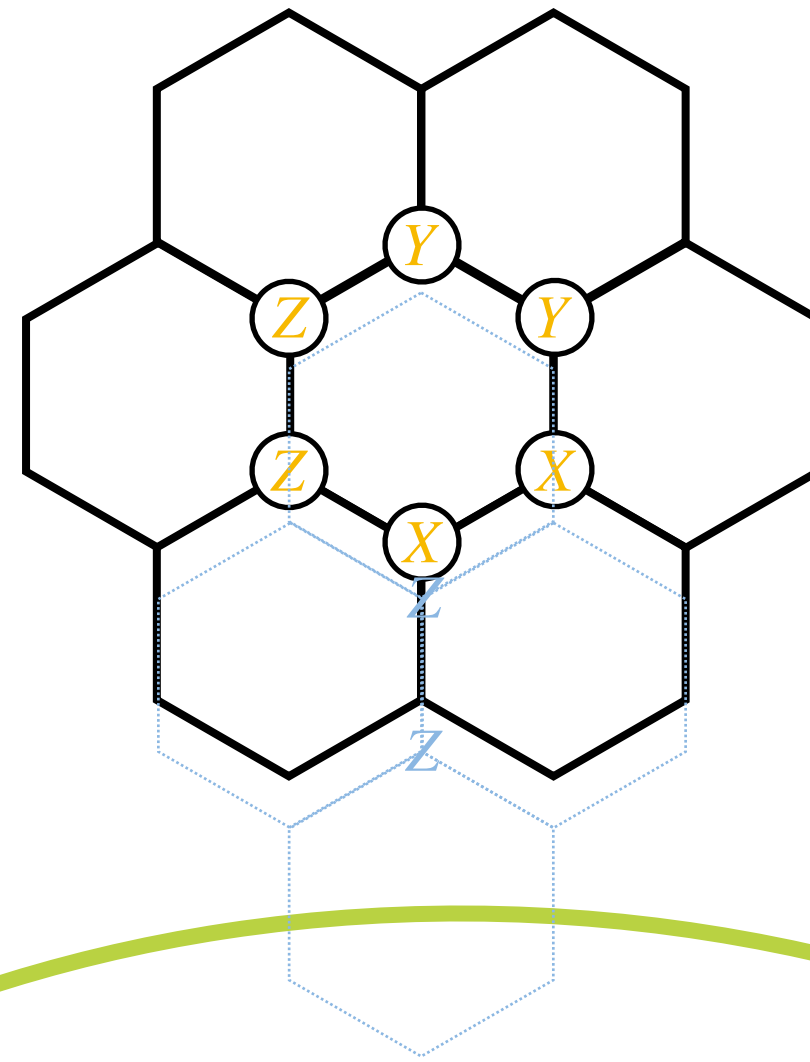
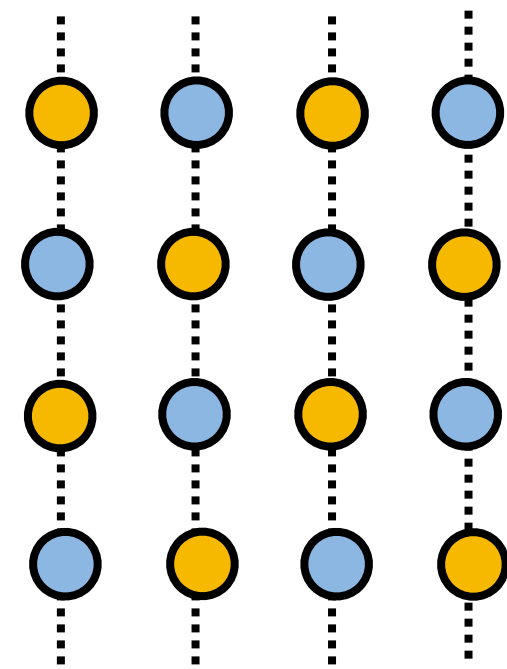
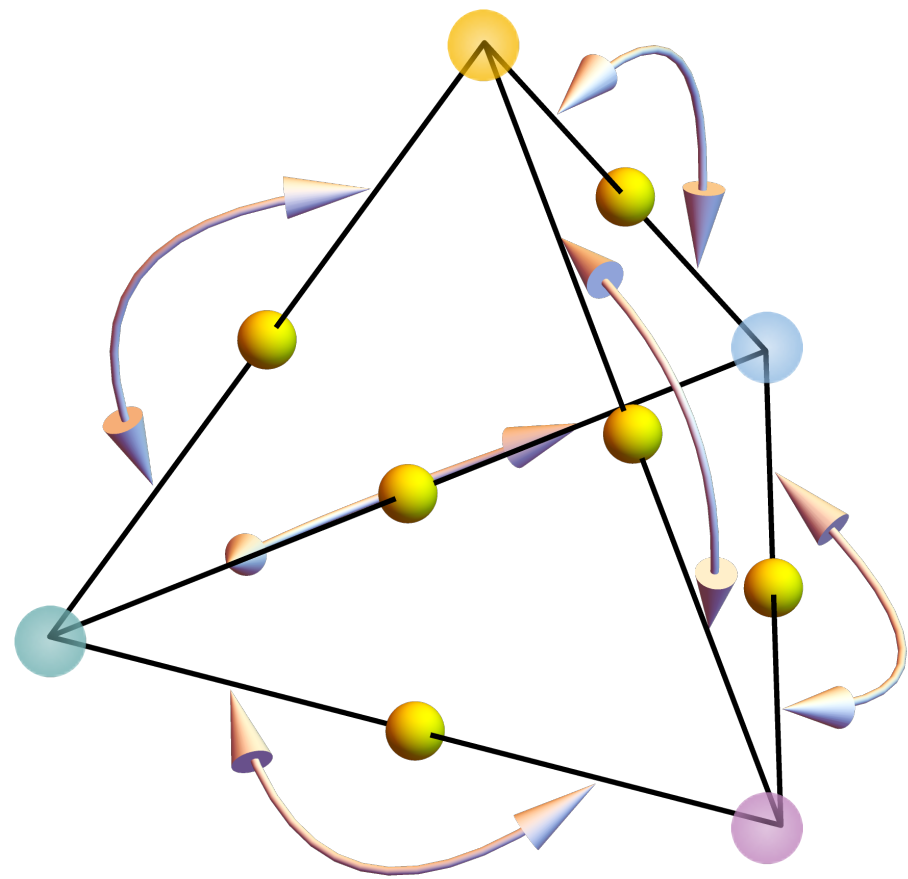
- node = measurement operator
- **link = anti-commutation** (frustration)
- stabilizer = product of certain nodes
- probability of measurement = fugacity

On tetrahedron **edges**

- some frustration lifted
- stacked 1+1D chains
- **self-duality**
- 2D square lattice **percolation**



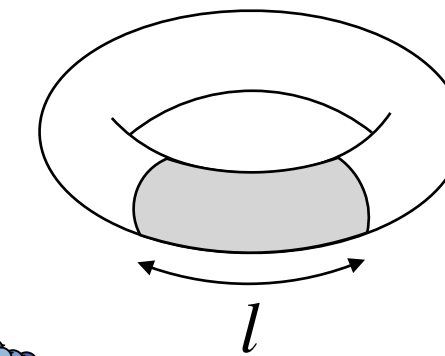
# self-dual points



- stacked 1+1D chains (percolation)
- self-dual point: stacked quasi-1D critical

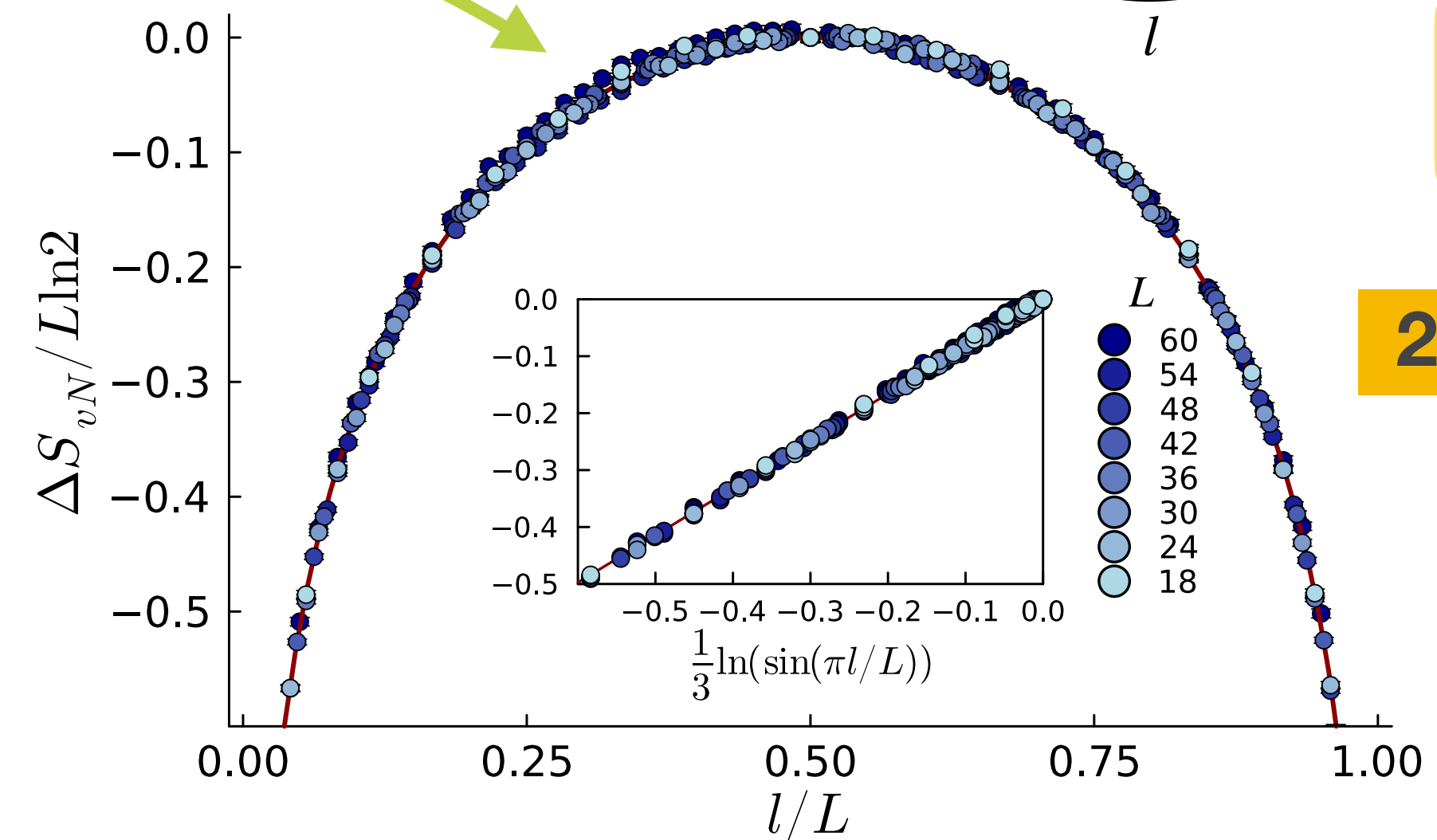
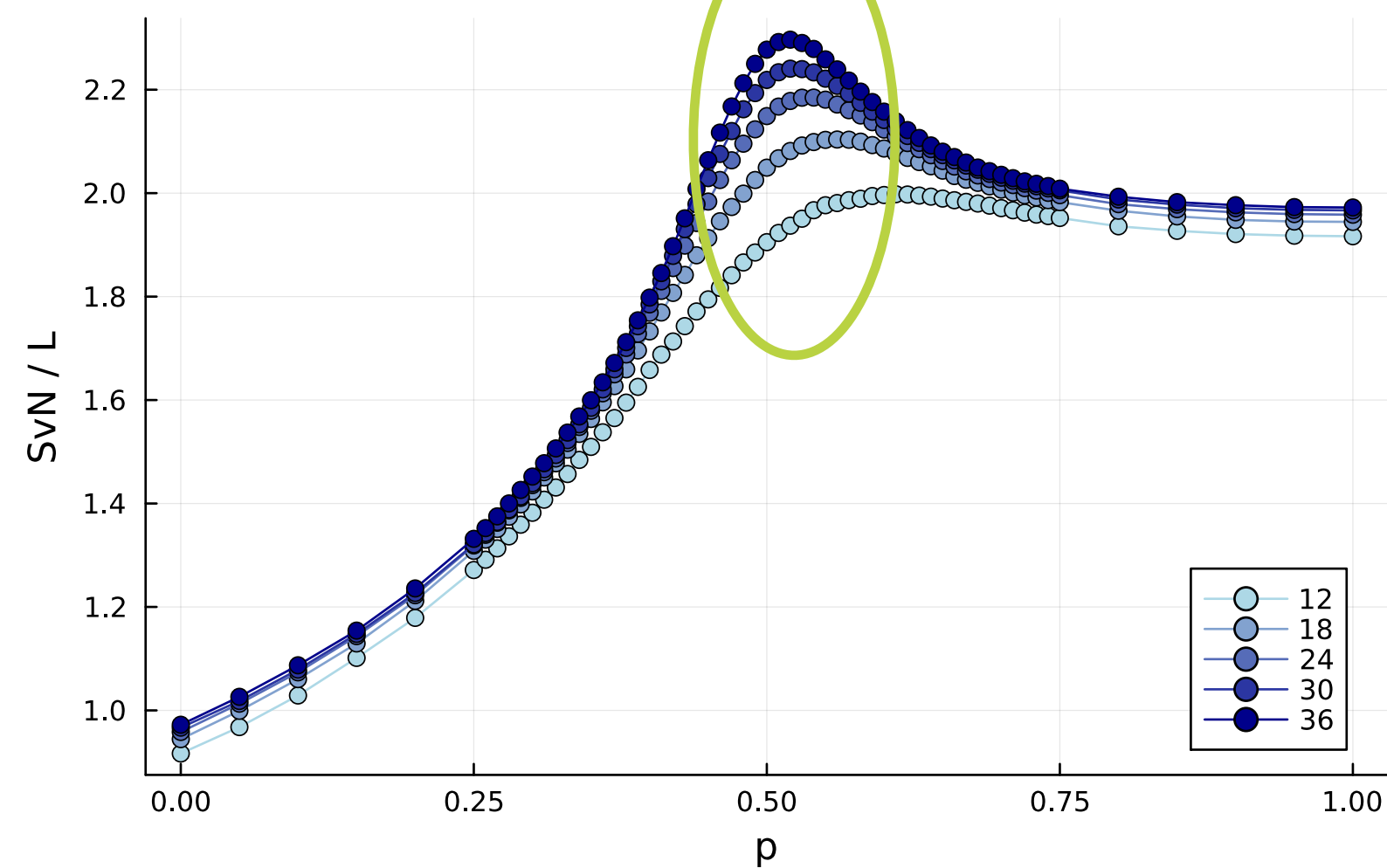
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Calabrese & Cardy 2004



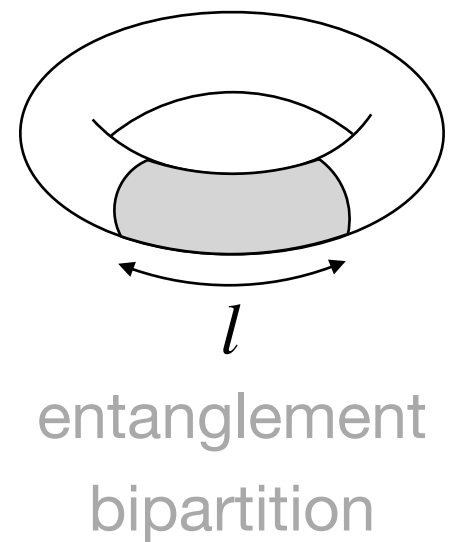
$$c = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2\pi} \ln 2$$

2D percolation

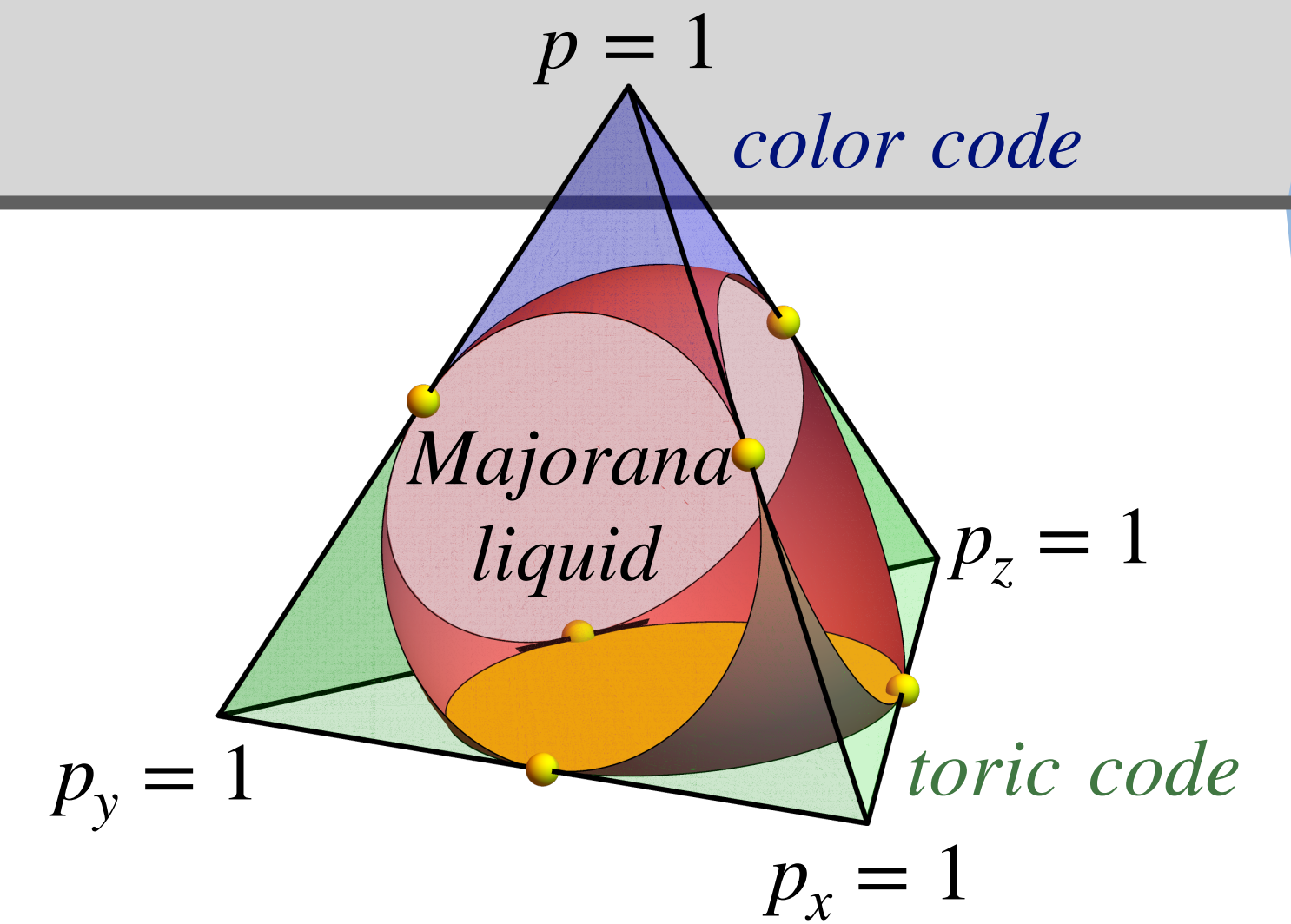




# entanglement phase diagram



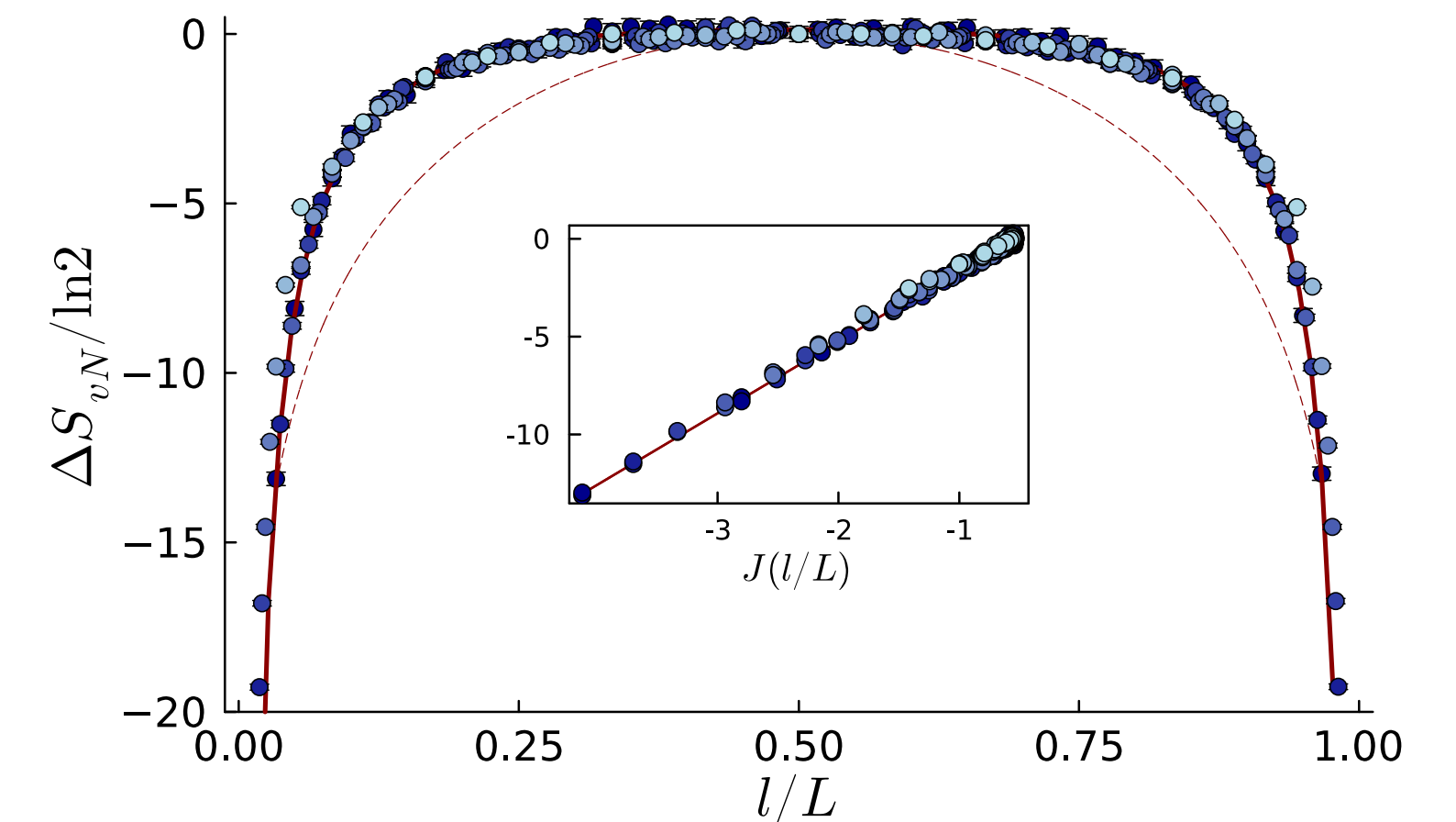
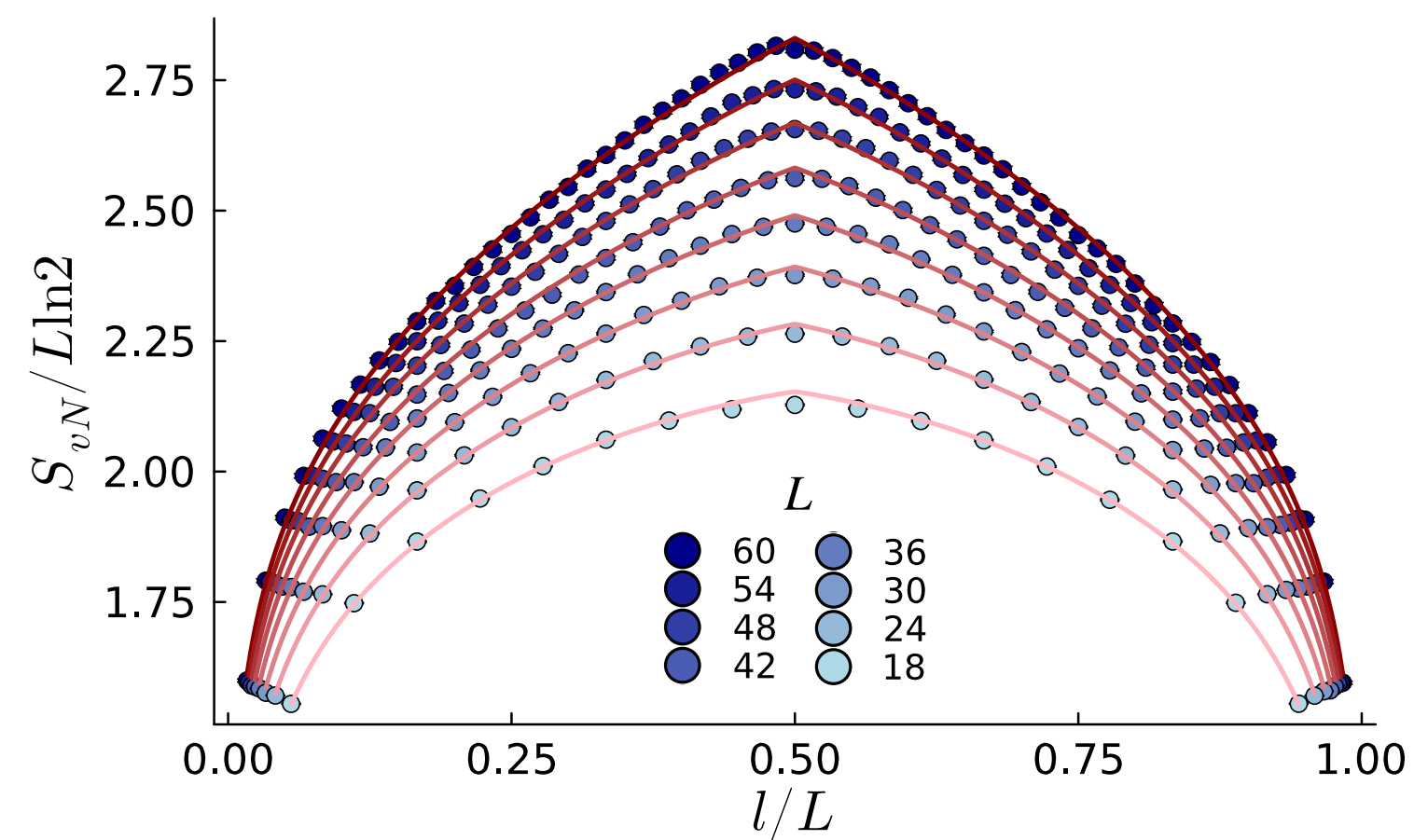
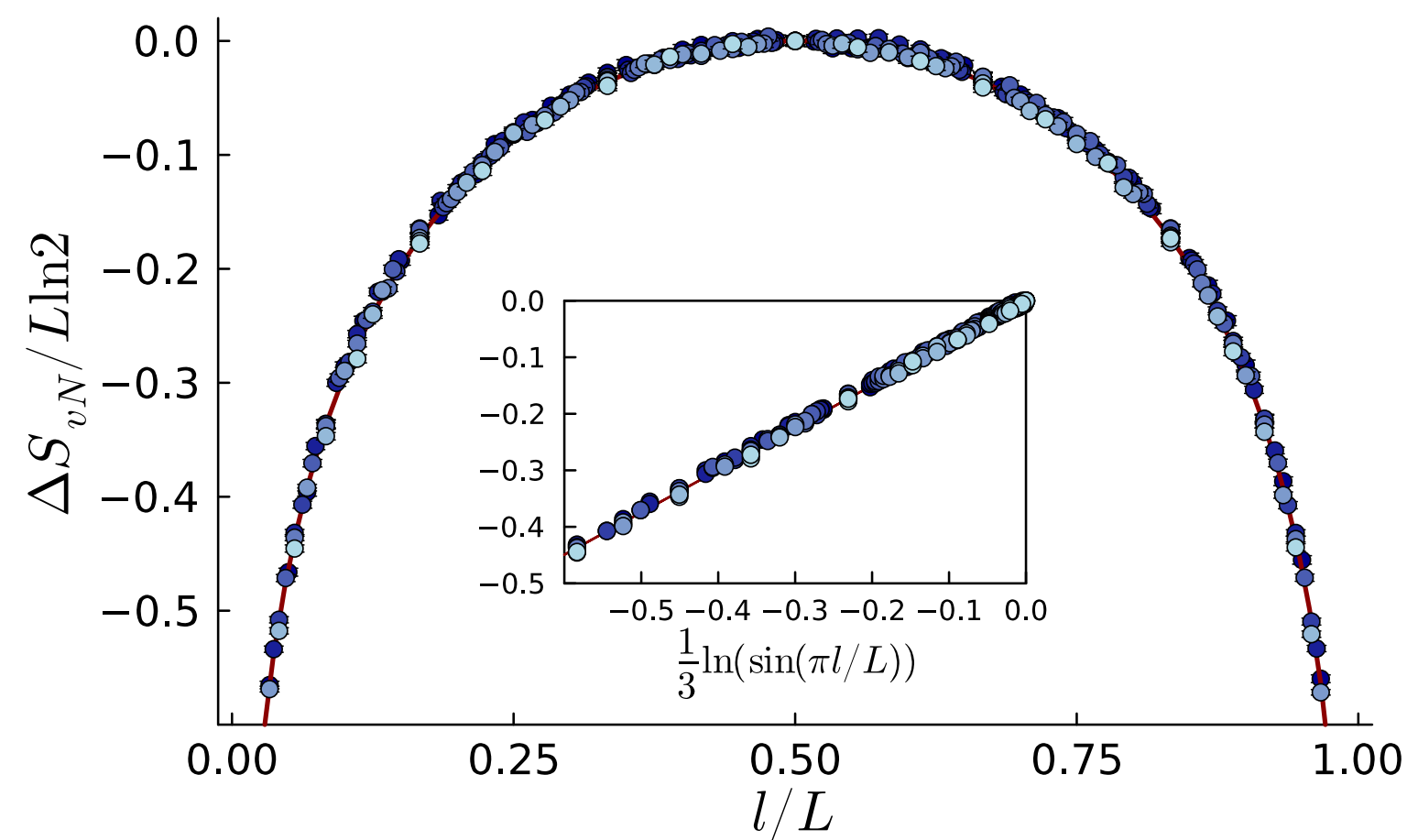
varying the **relative probabilities of measurements** yields a rich entanglement phase diagram



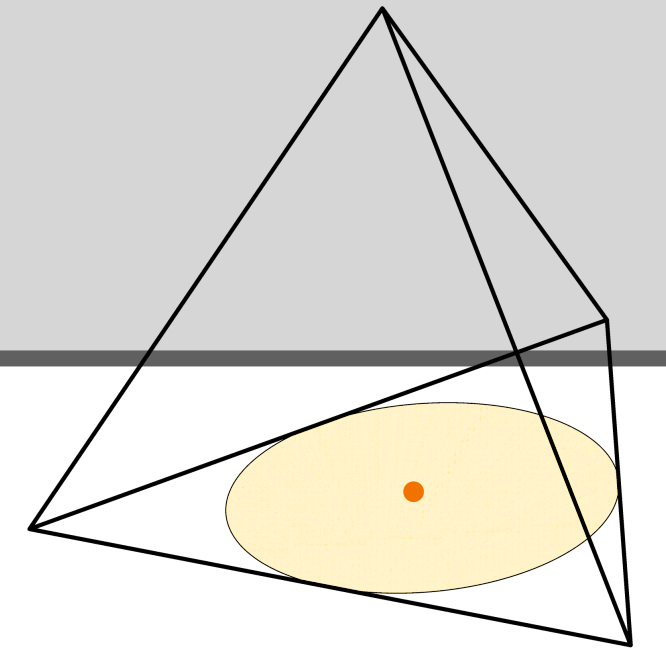
**(1+1)D CFT**  
entanglement

**volume-law**  
entanglement

**quantum**  
**Lifshitz**



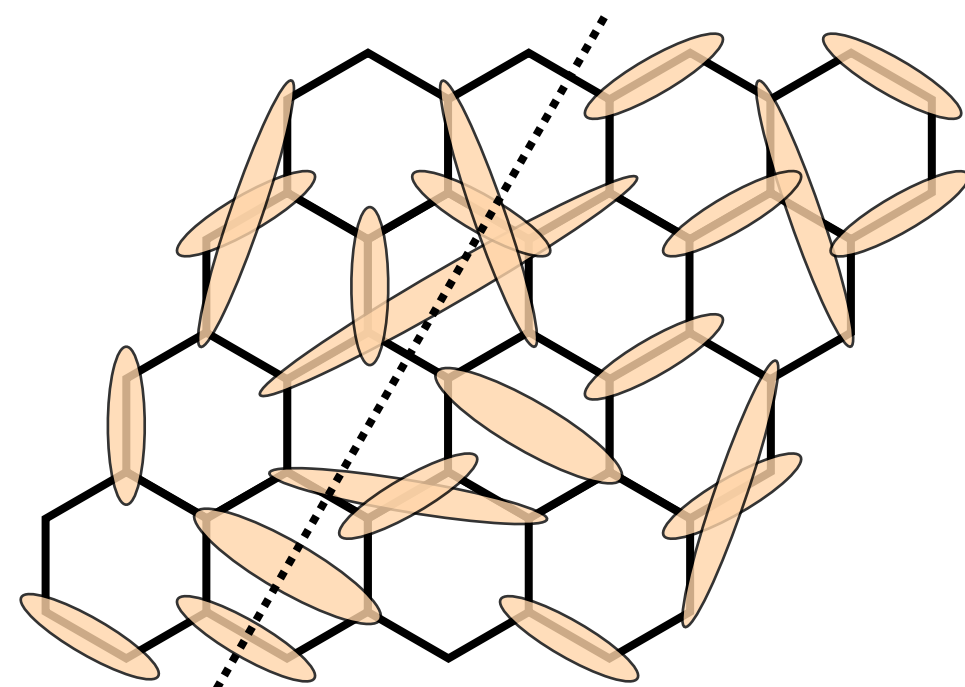
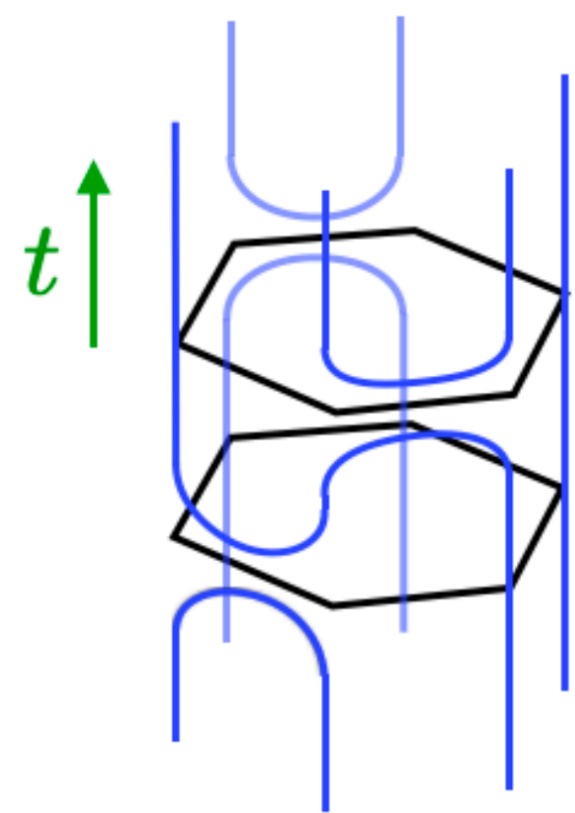
# free Majorana liquid



- dynamics: **compact loop model**  
in stacked honeycomb 2+1D lattice
- steady state: **long-range Majorana dimer state**
- entanglement entropy: **1+1D CFT scaling** ( $L \ln L$ )

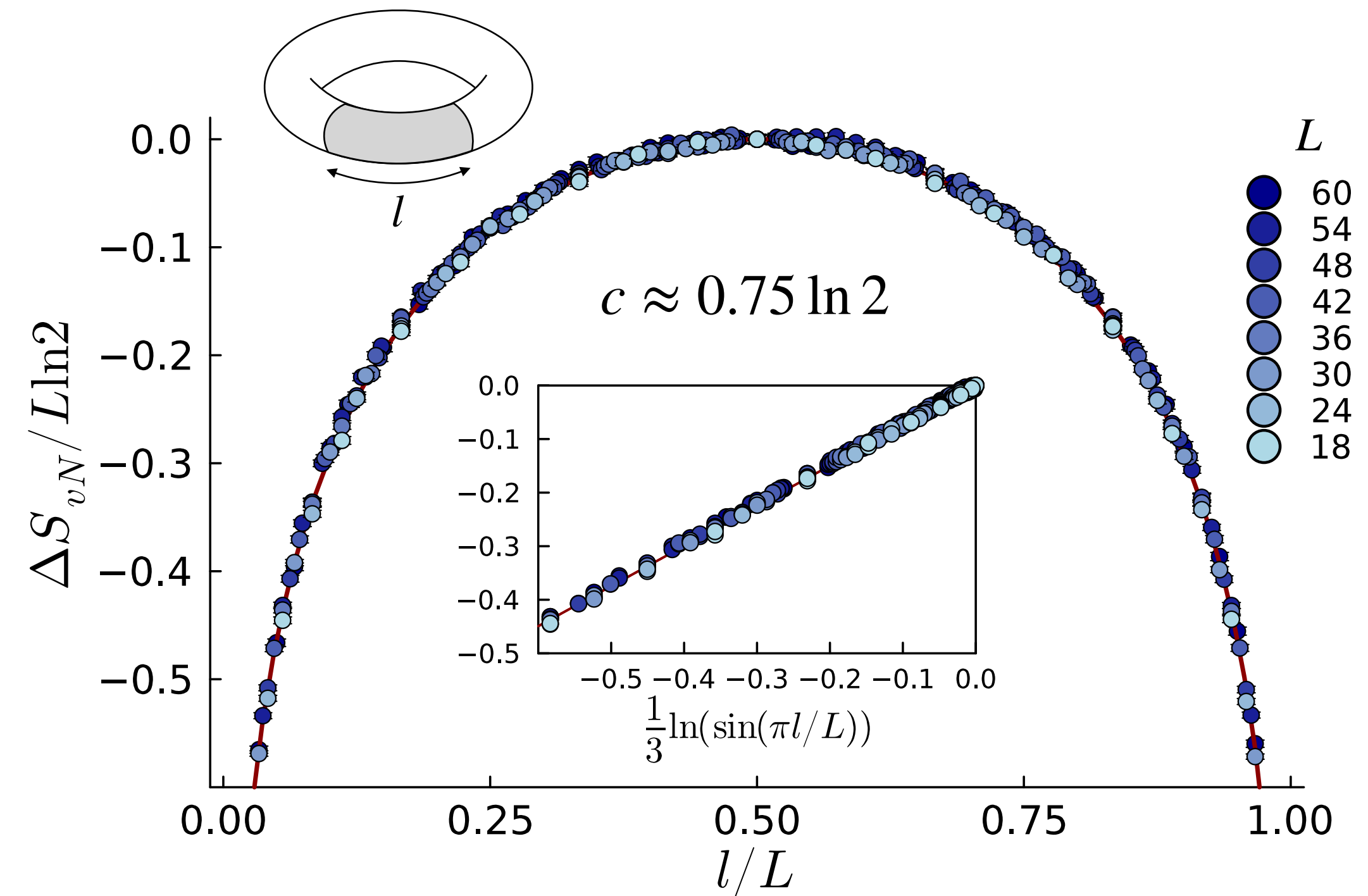
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## Fermi-surface scaling



density matrix analogue  
of RVB state

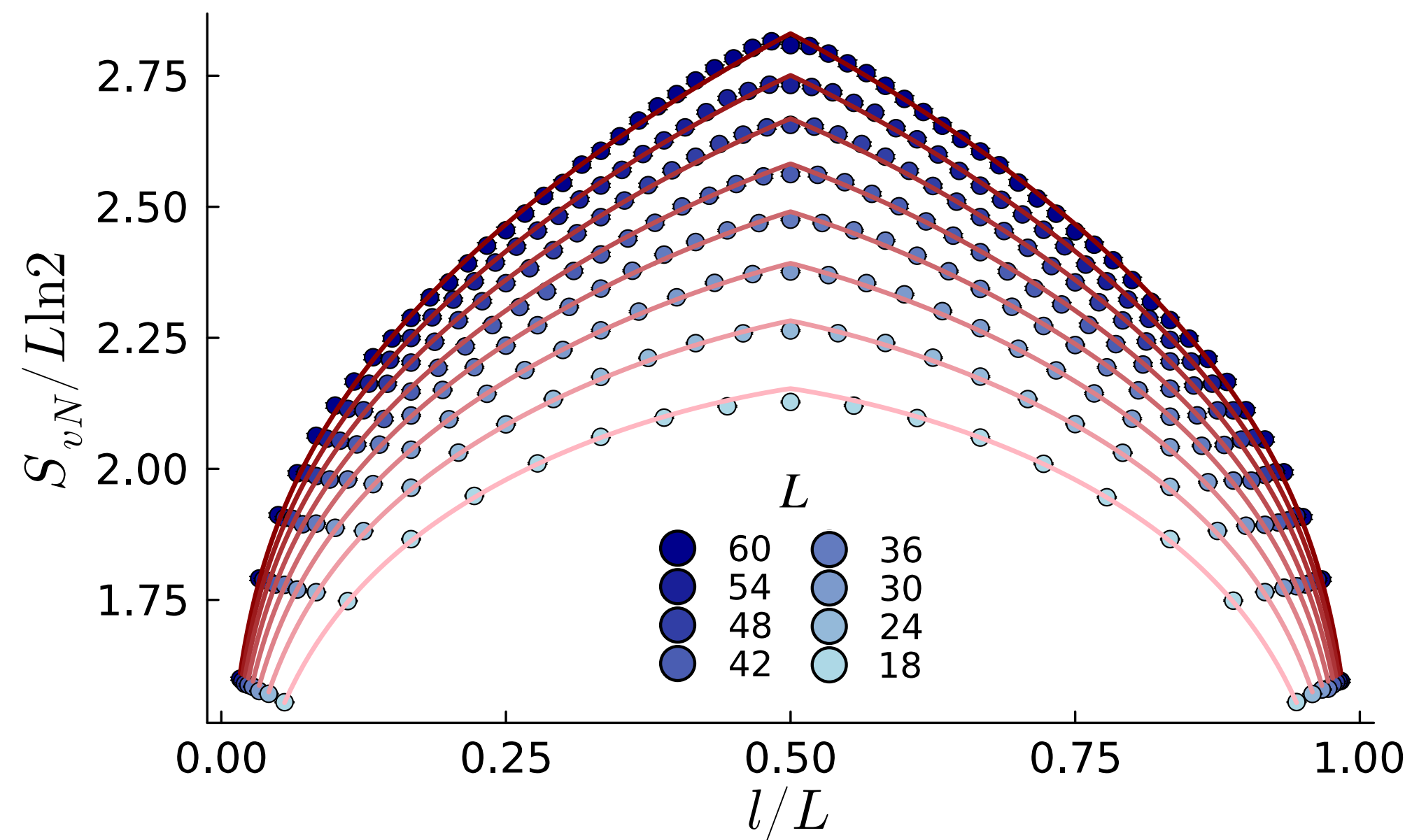
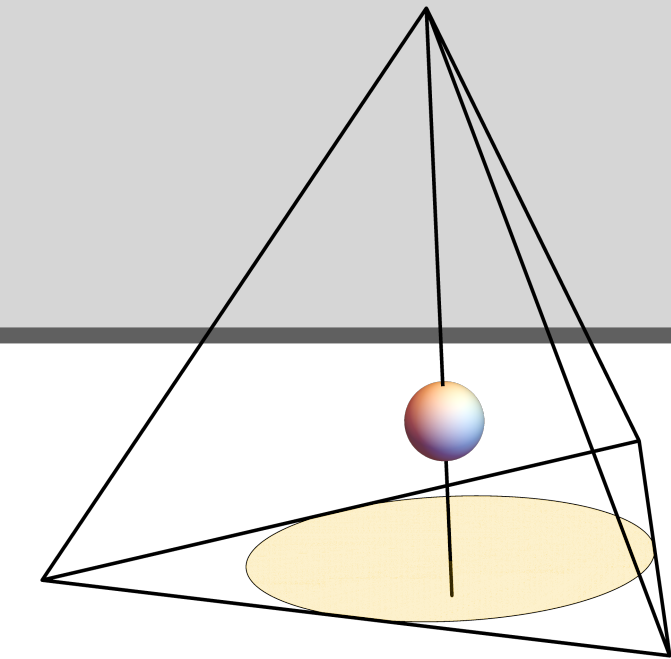
Majorana  
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# interacting Majorana liquid



single-fit for all system sizes

$$S_{vN}(l, L) = v \cdot \text{vol}(l, L) + \frac{cL + c'}{3} \ln \left( \frac{L}{\pi} \sin \frac{\pi l}{L} \right) + aL - \gamma$$

volume-law with  
Page correction

gapless mode  
~ 1+1D CFT

area-law with  
topological correction

$$v = 0.00951(7) \ln 2$$

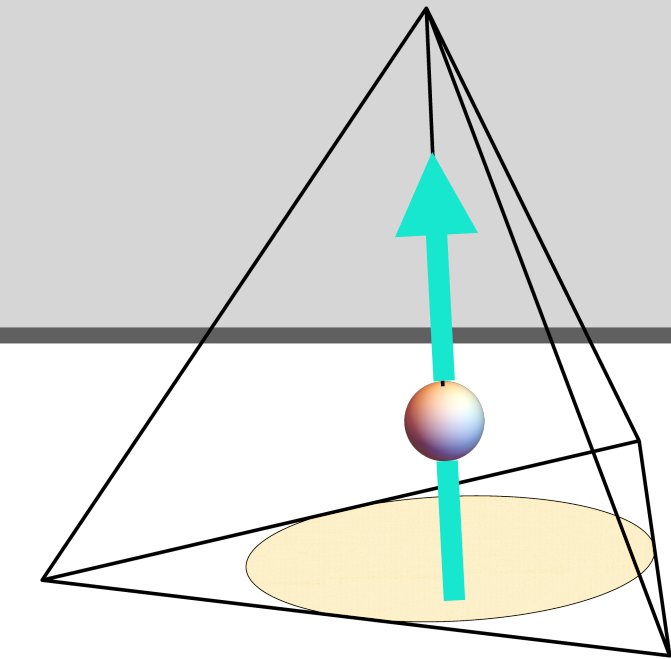
$$c = 0.642(7) \ln 2$$

weak scrambling

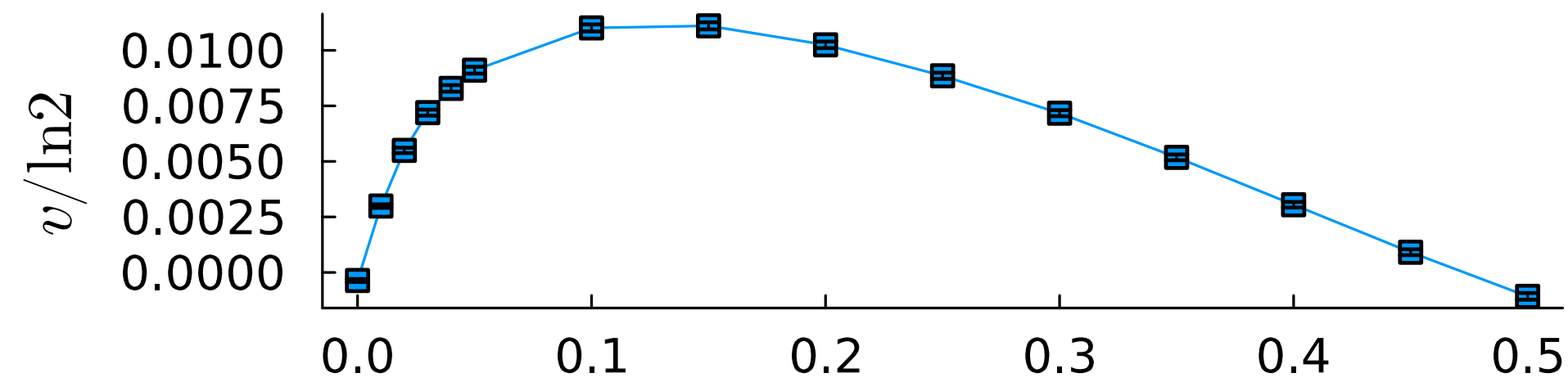
$$\text{vol}(l, L) = 2Ll \ln 2 - 2^{4Ll - N - 1}$$



# structured volume-law phase

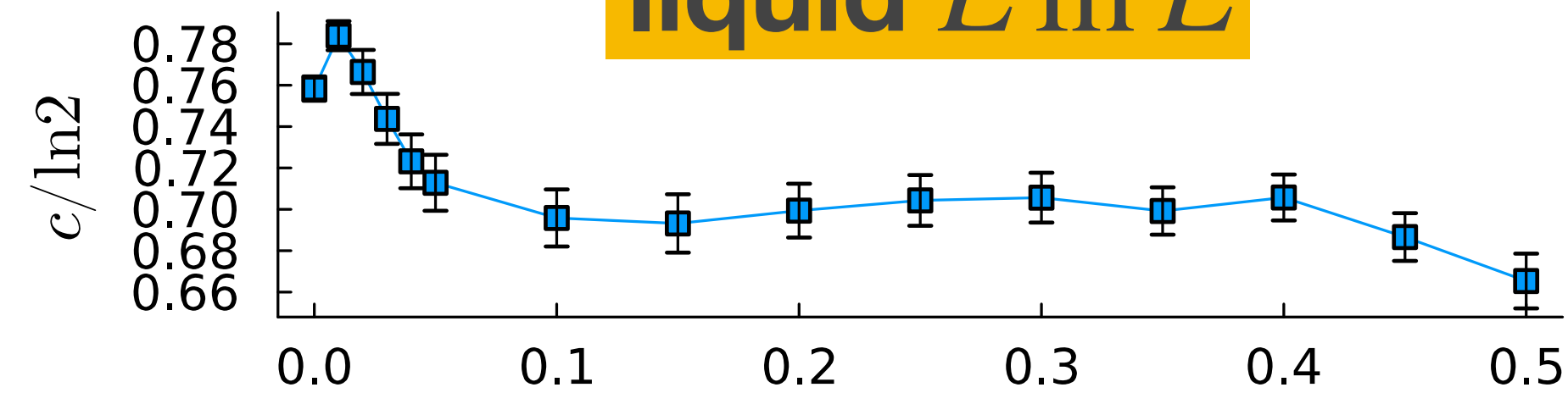


**volume-law**

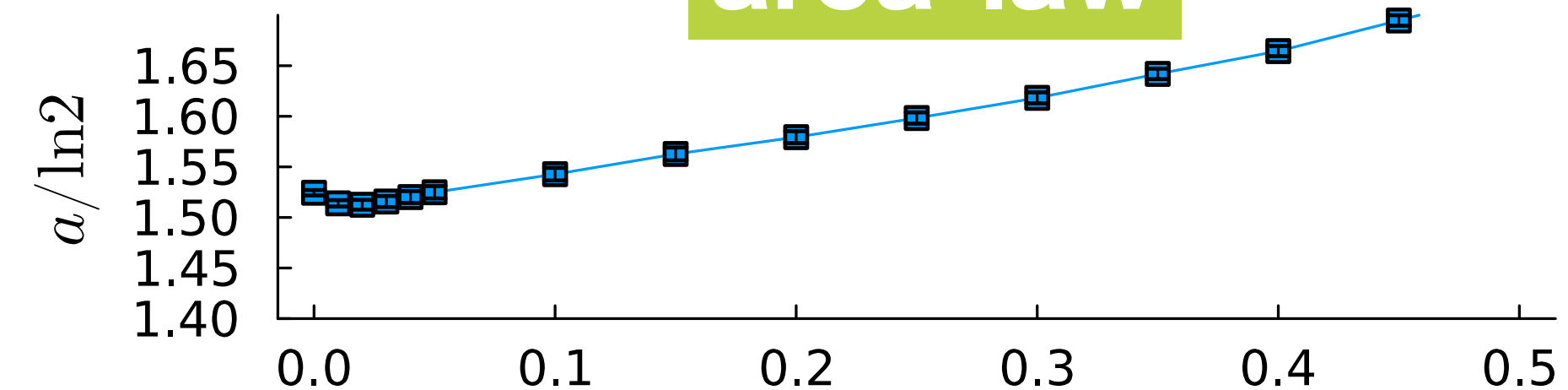


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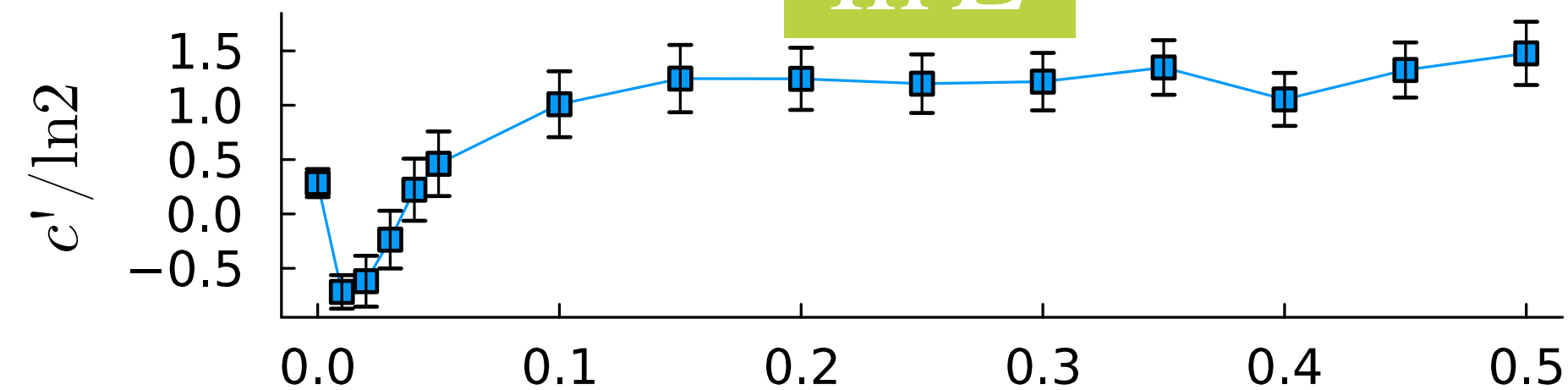
**liquid  $L \ln L$**



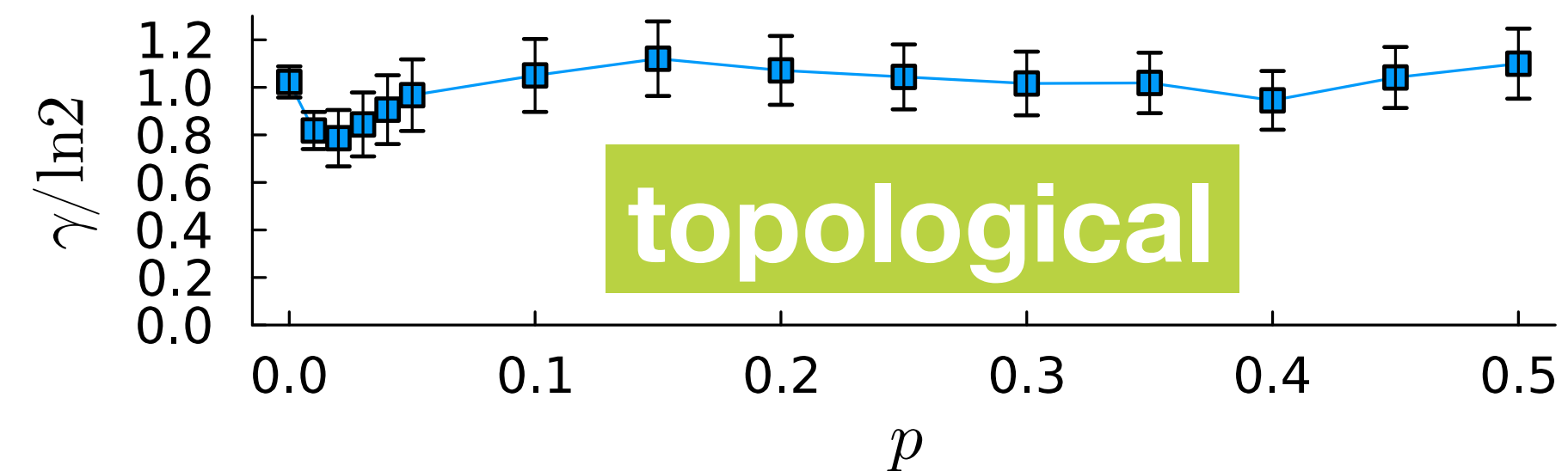
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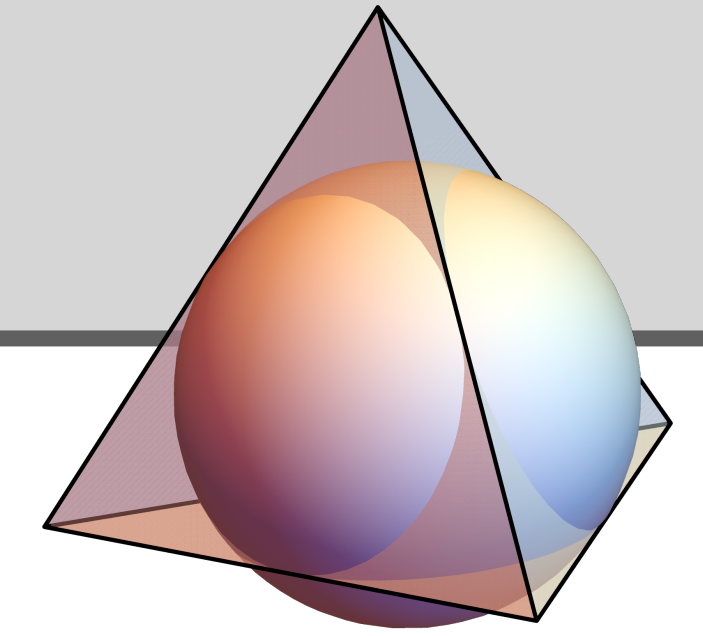
**ln L**



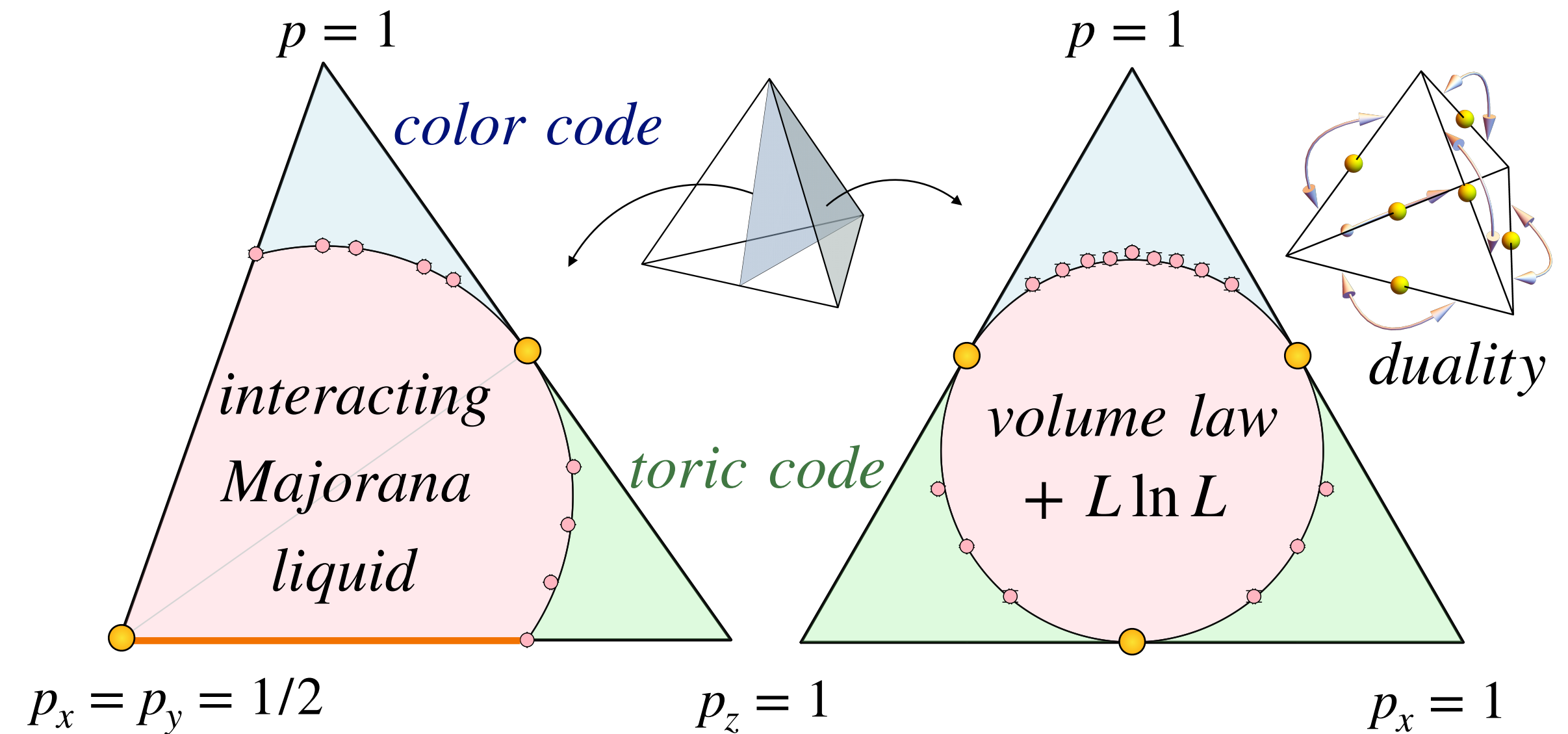
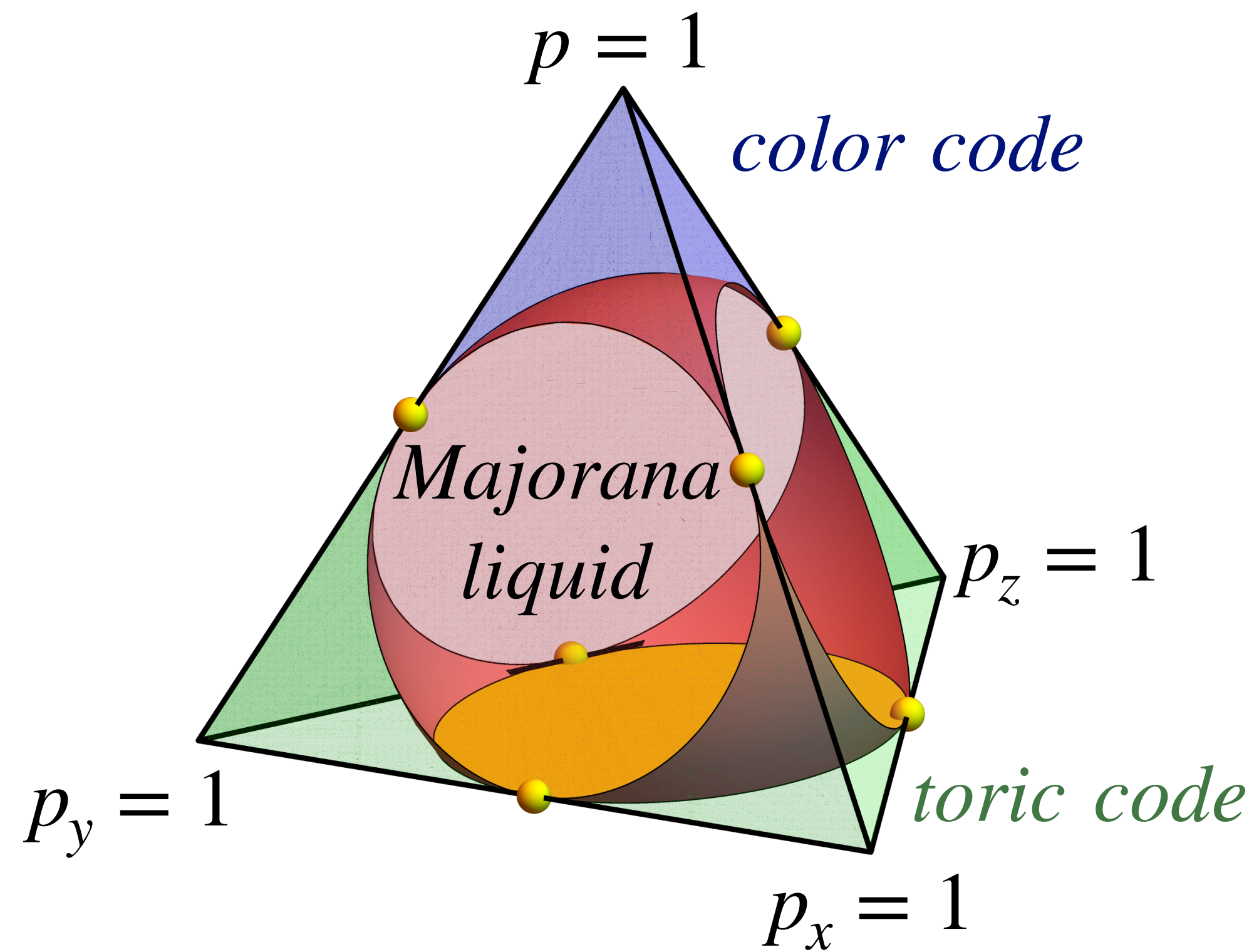
**topological**



# entanglement phase diagram

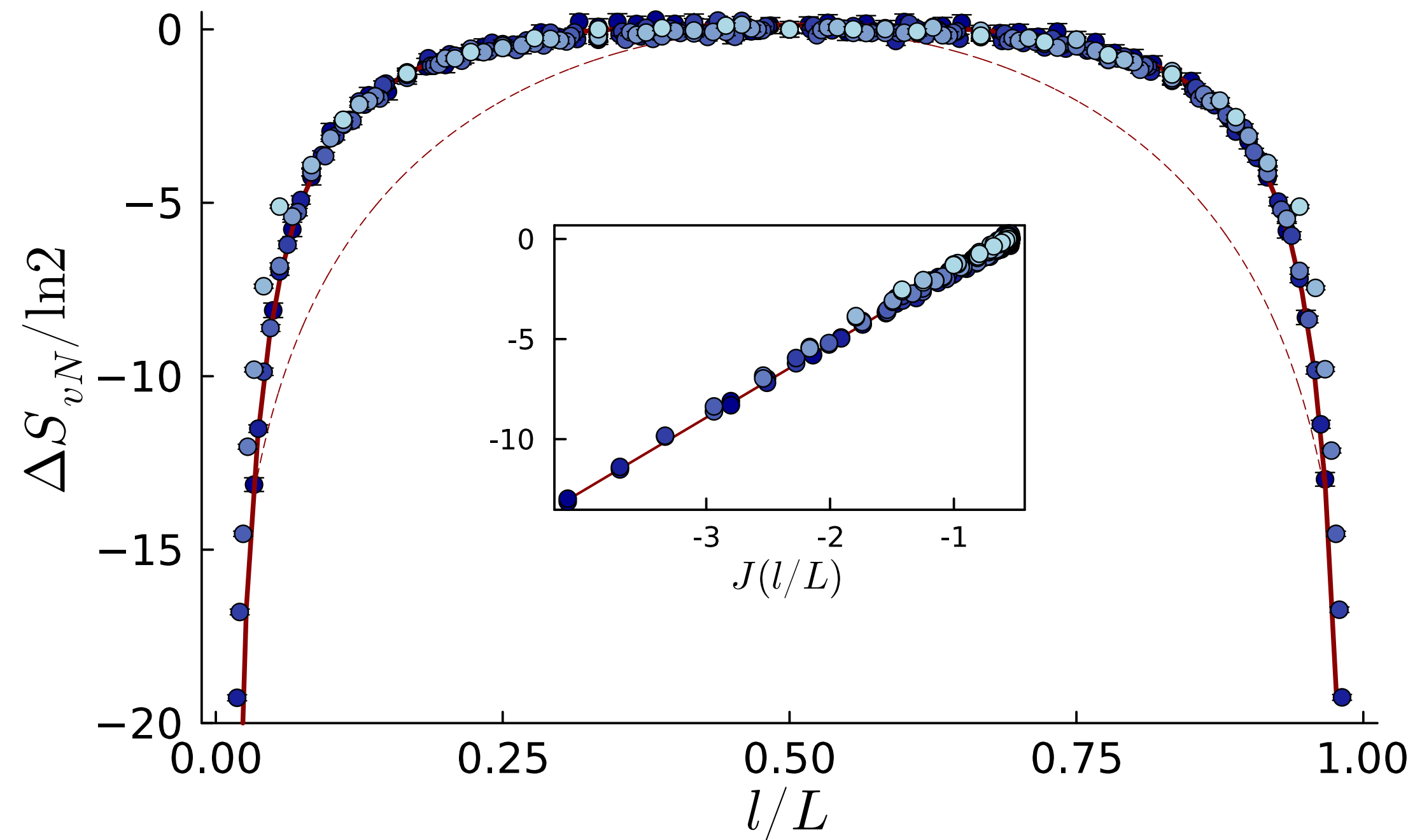


phase boundaries via  
finite-size scaling of **tripartite mutual information**



- What gives rise to **spherical symmetry?**  
statistical symmetry, *not* model-specific

# entanglement transition



Jacobi theta function

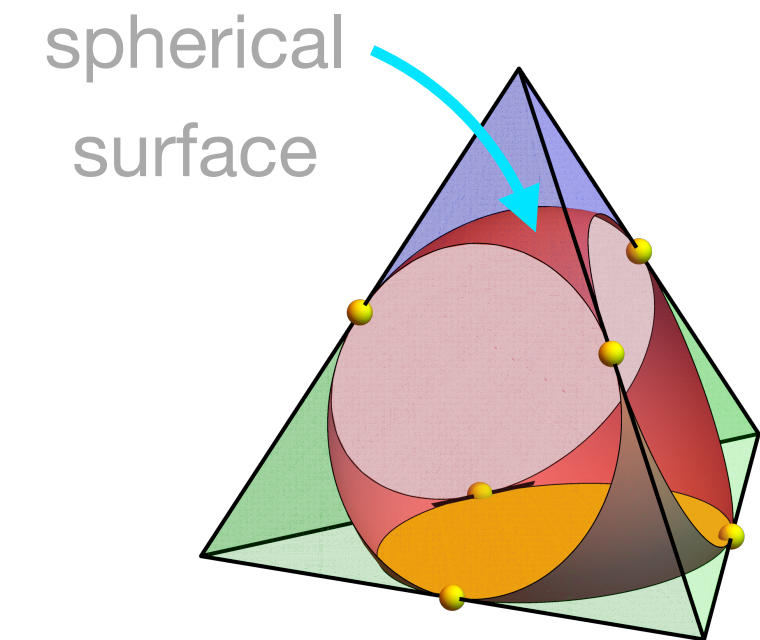
$$J(x) = -\ln \frac{\theta_3(i\lambda x)\theta_3(i\lambda(1-x))}{\eta(2ix)\eta(2i(1-x))} \sim -\frac{\pi}{24x}, \quad x \ll 1$$

Dedekind eta function

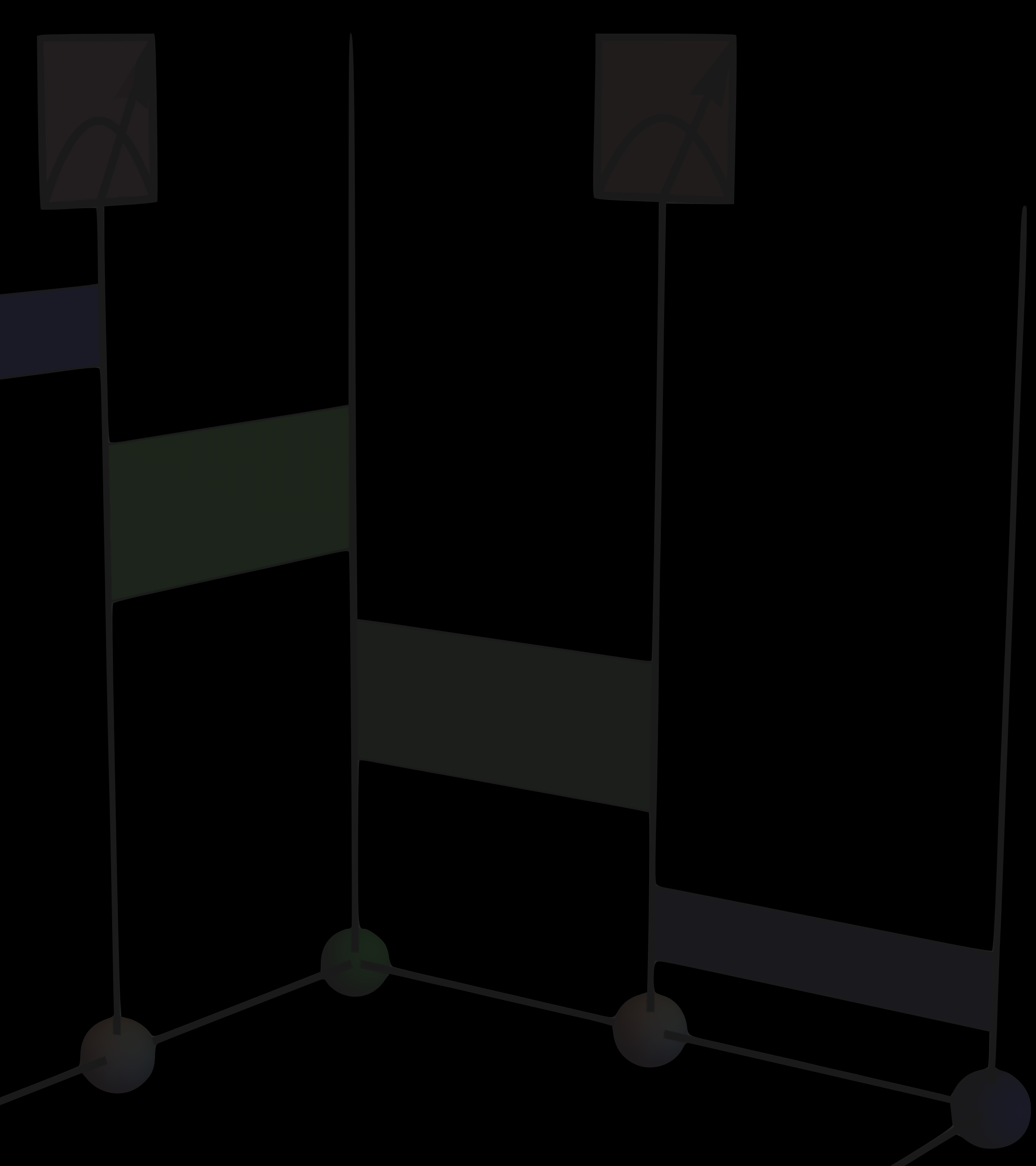
$$S_{vN} = aL + \beta J(l/L)$$

## quantum Lifshitz scaling

- 2+0D gapless dimer RVB (quantum Lifshitz model) (conformal quantum critical state)
- 2+1D relativistic Dirac fermions
- 2+1D transverse field Ising model
- 2+1D monitored Ising model (Z-monitored toric code)



Swingle 2010; Melko 2012, 2013; Fradkin 2015; Lavasani 2021



**discussion**



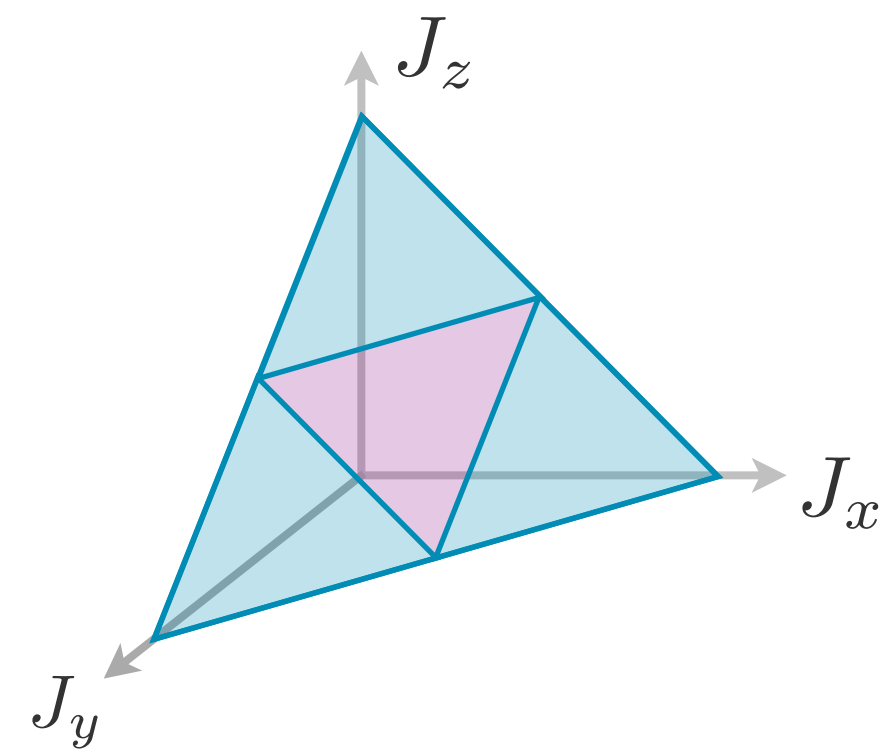
# computational complexity

dynamics

**free** Majorana fermions

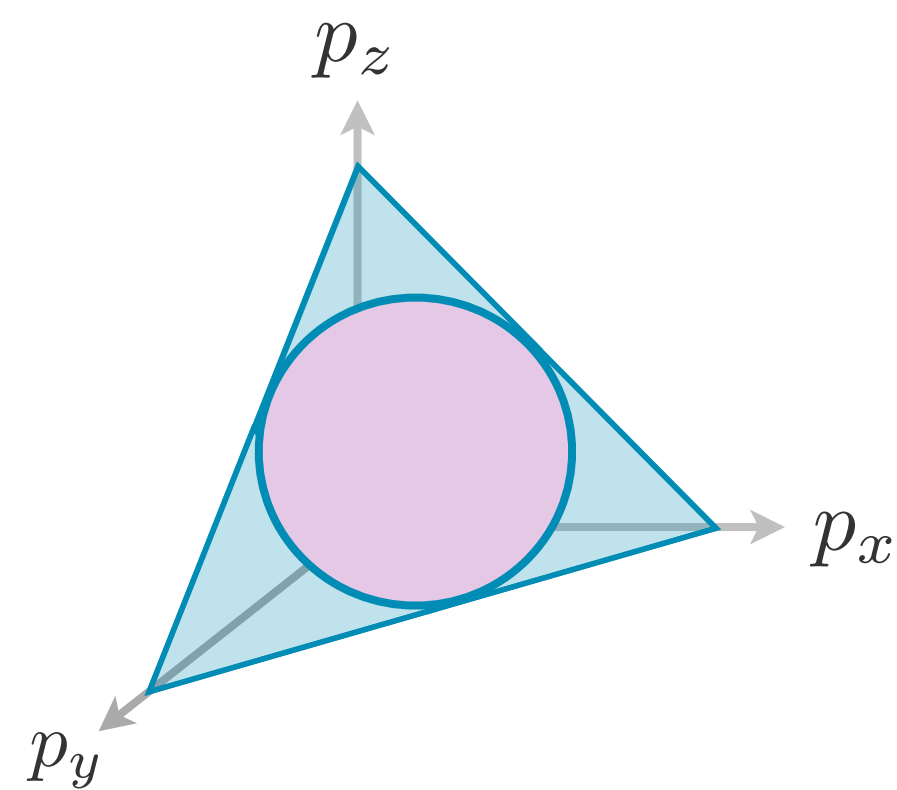
**interacting** Majorana fermions

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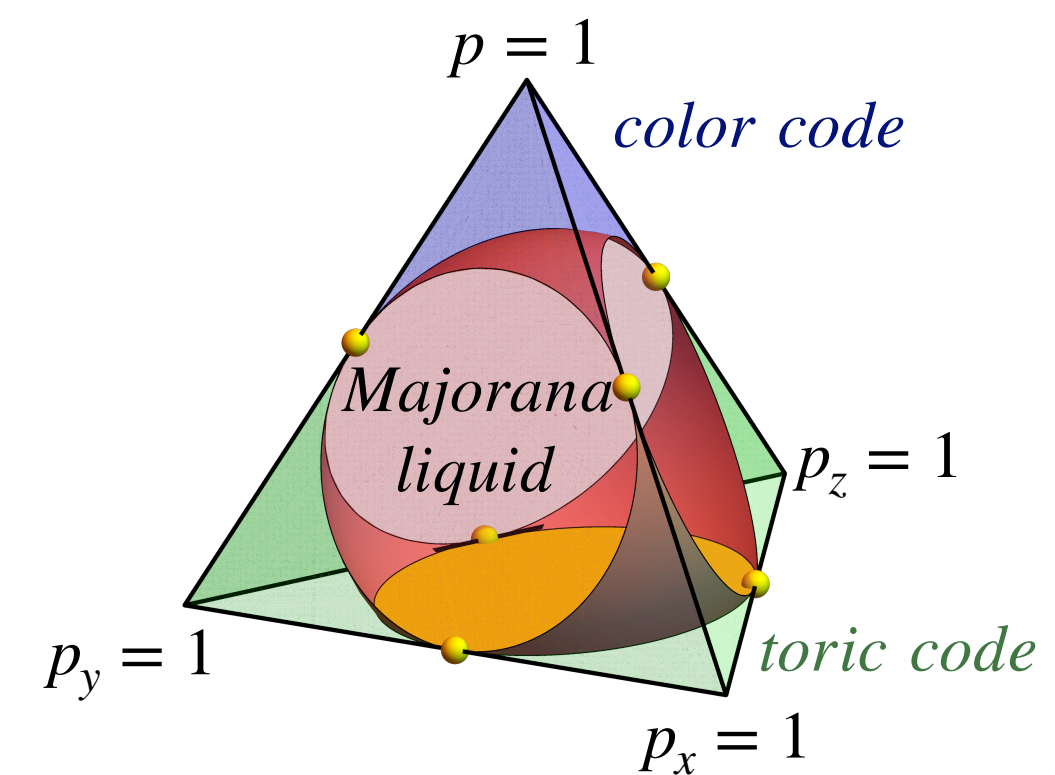


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**sign problem**

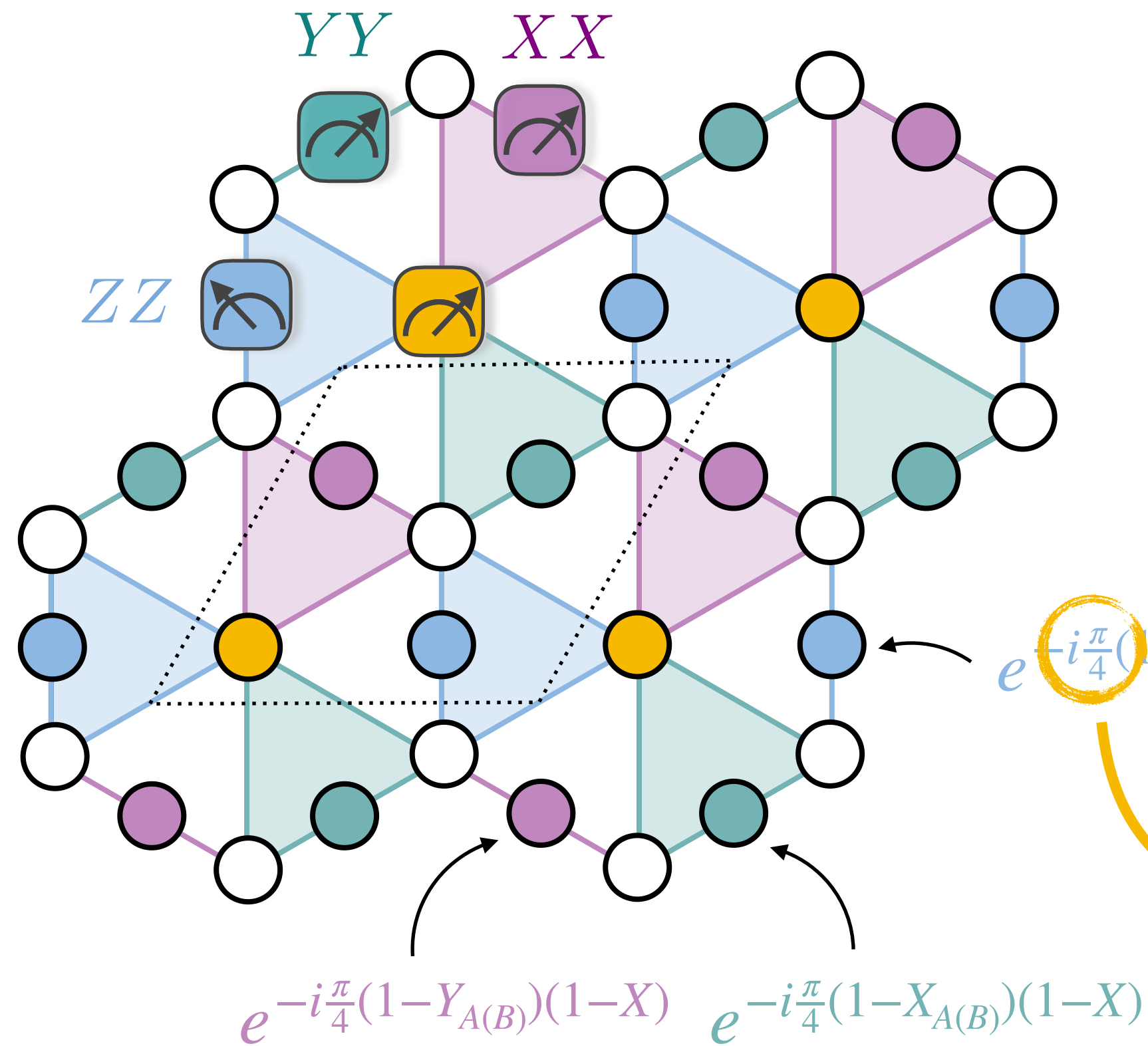


**Clifford circuits**

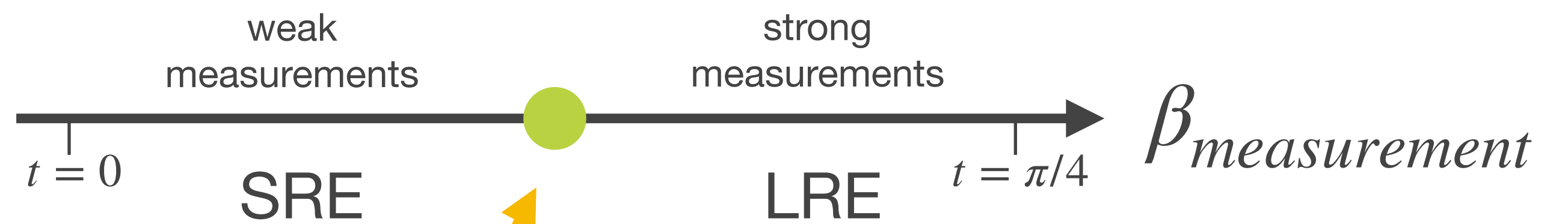


Gottesman-Knill theorem, quant-ph/9807006

# beyond Clifford — weak measurements

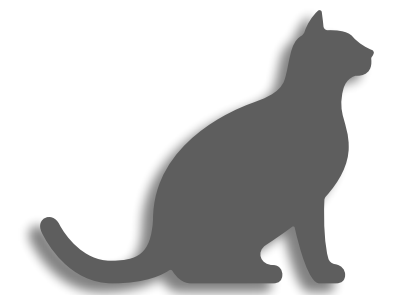


ancillae qubits

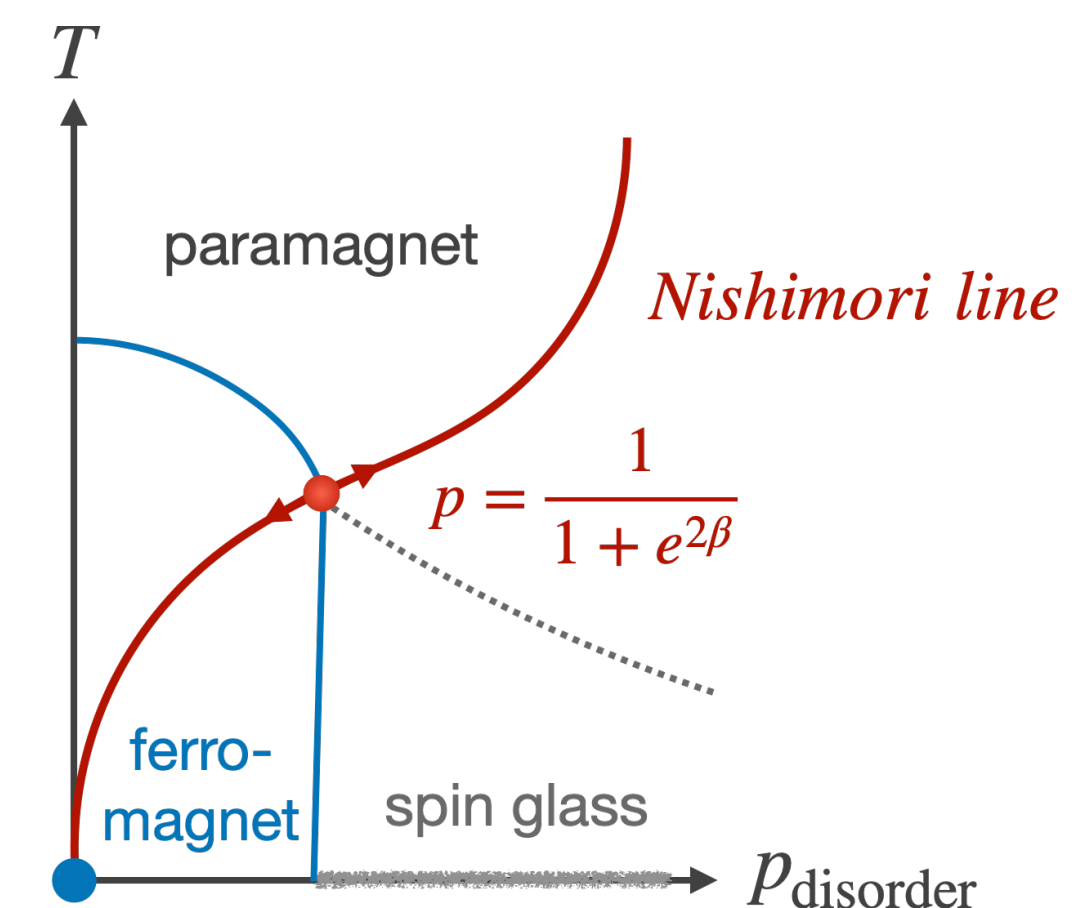


finite stability threshold

Nishimori's cat



$ZZ$  measurements only



vary coupling to ancillae qubits

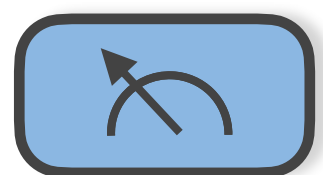
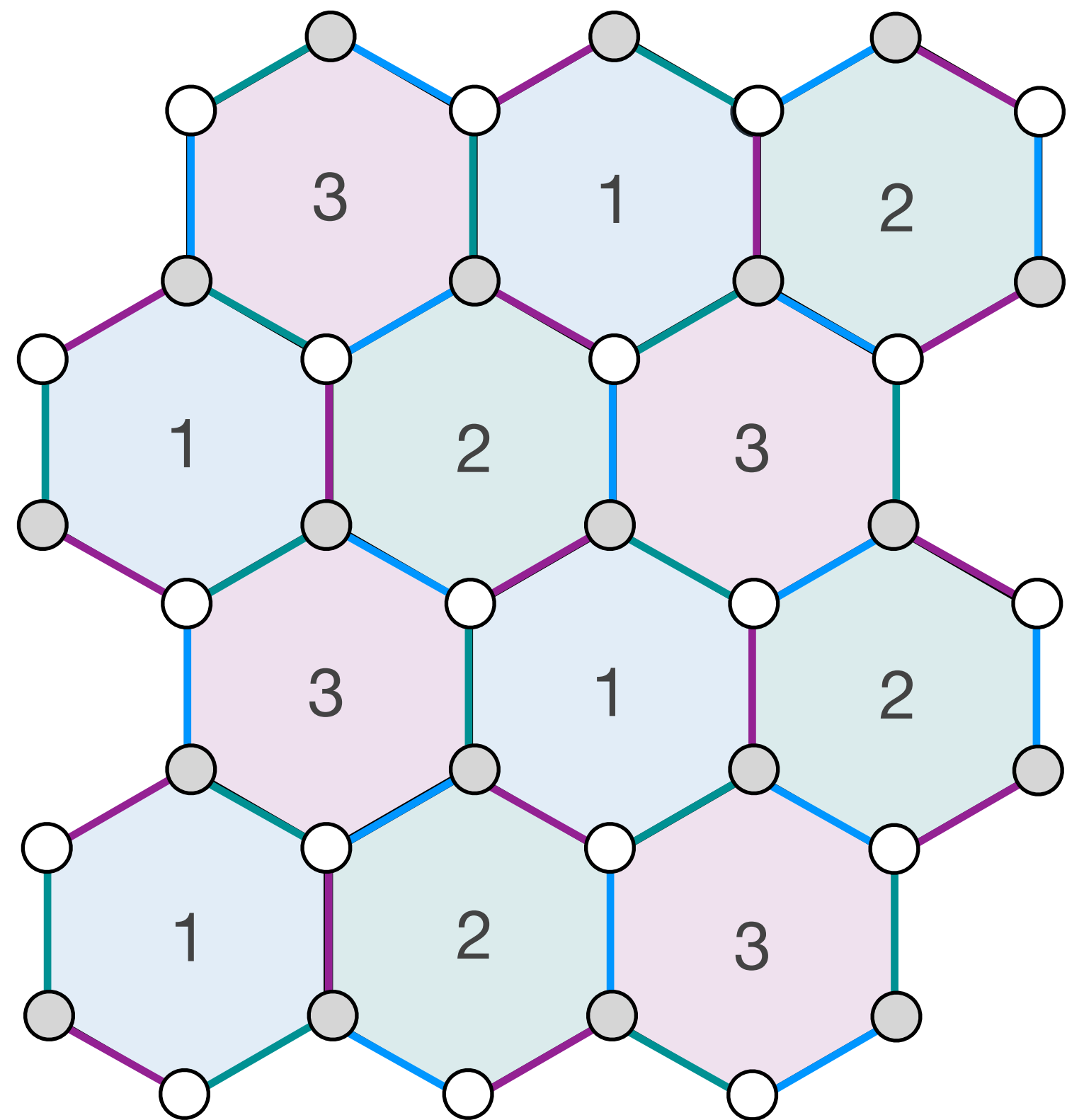
turn strong/projective into **weak measurements**

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# Hastings-Haah Floquet code



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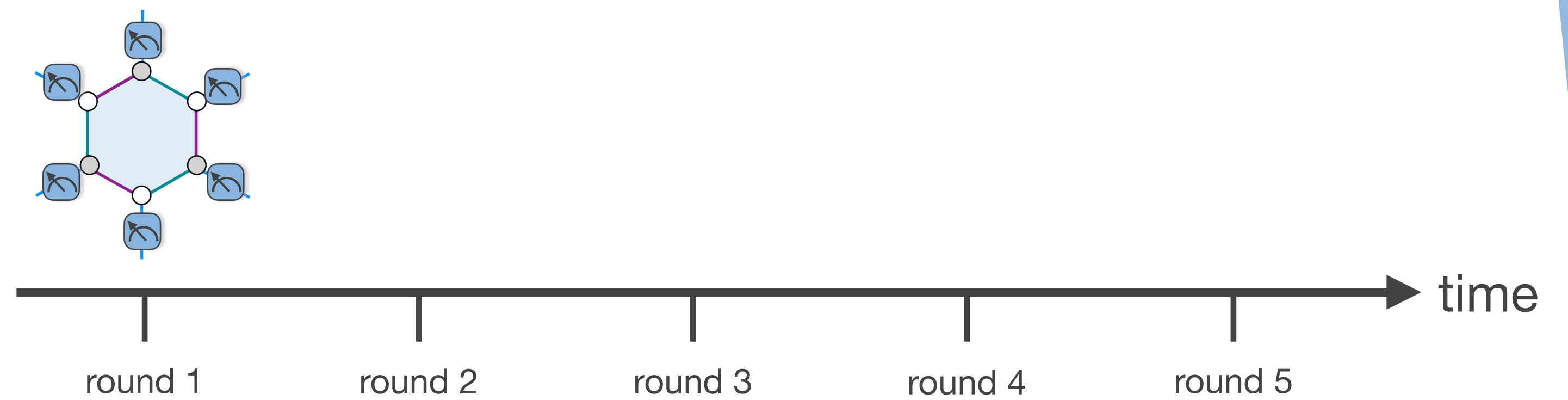
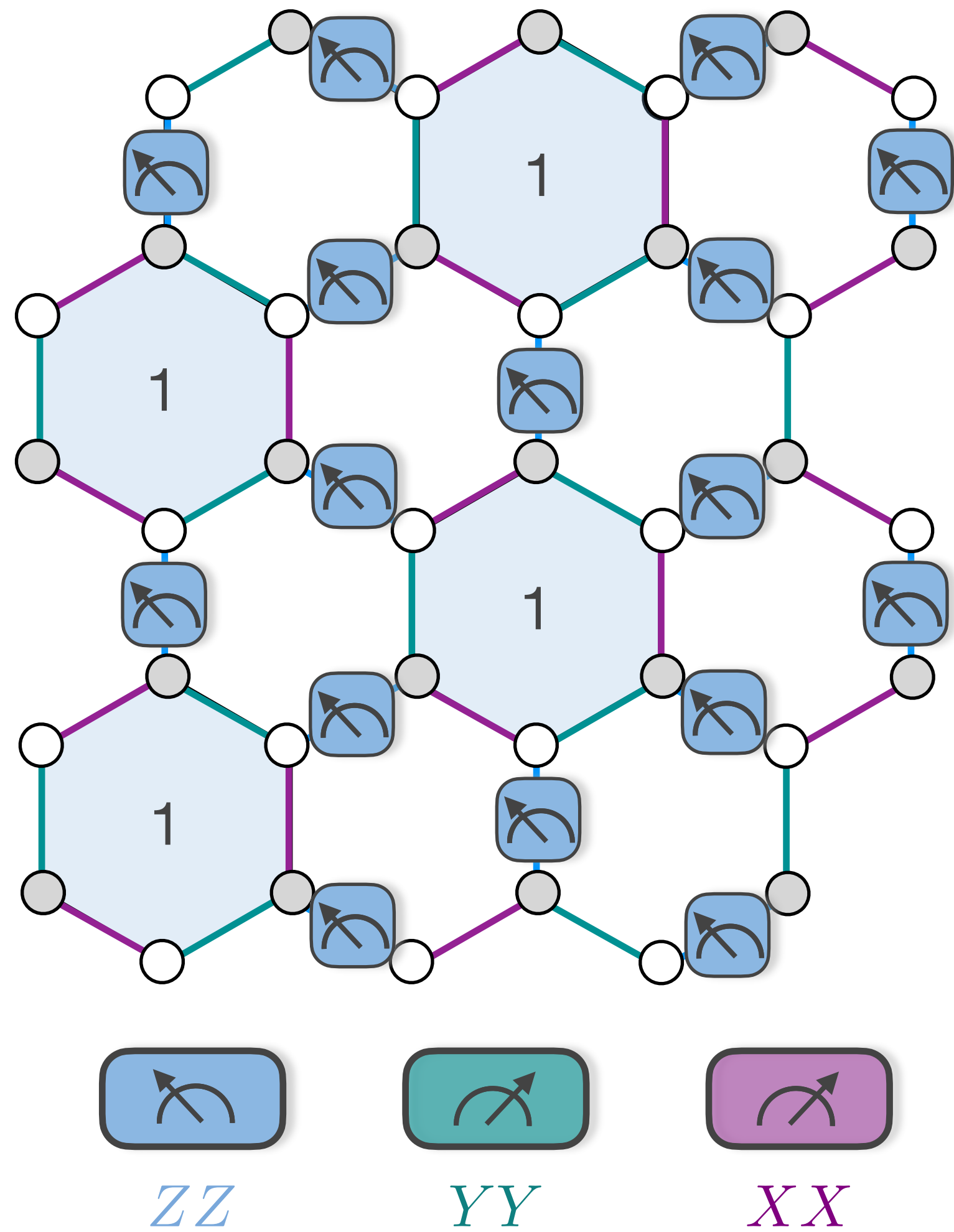


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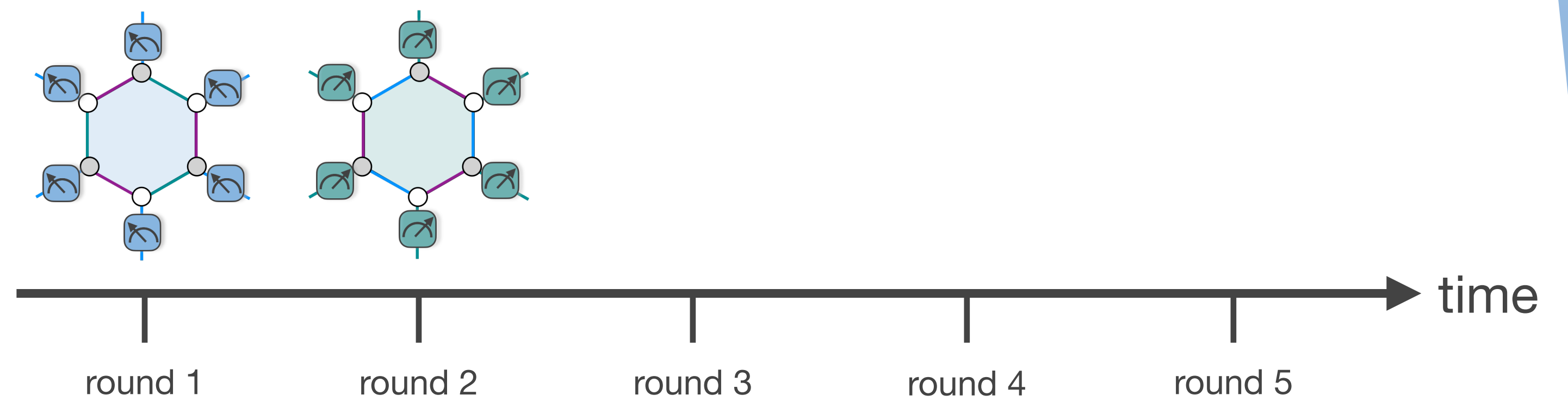
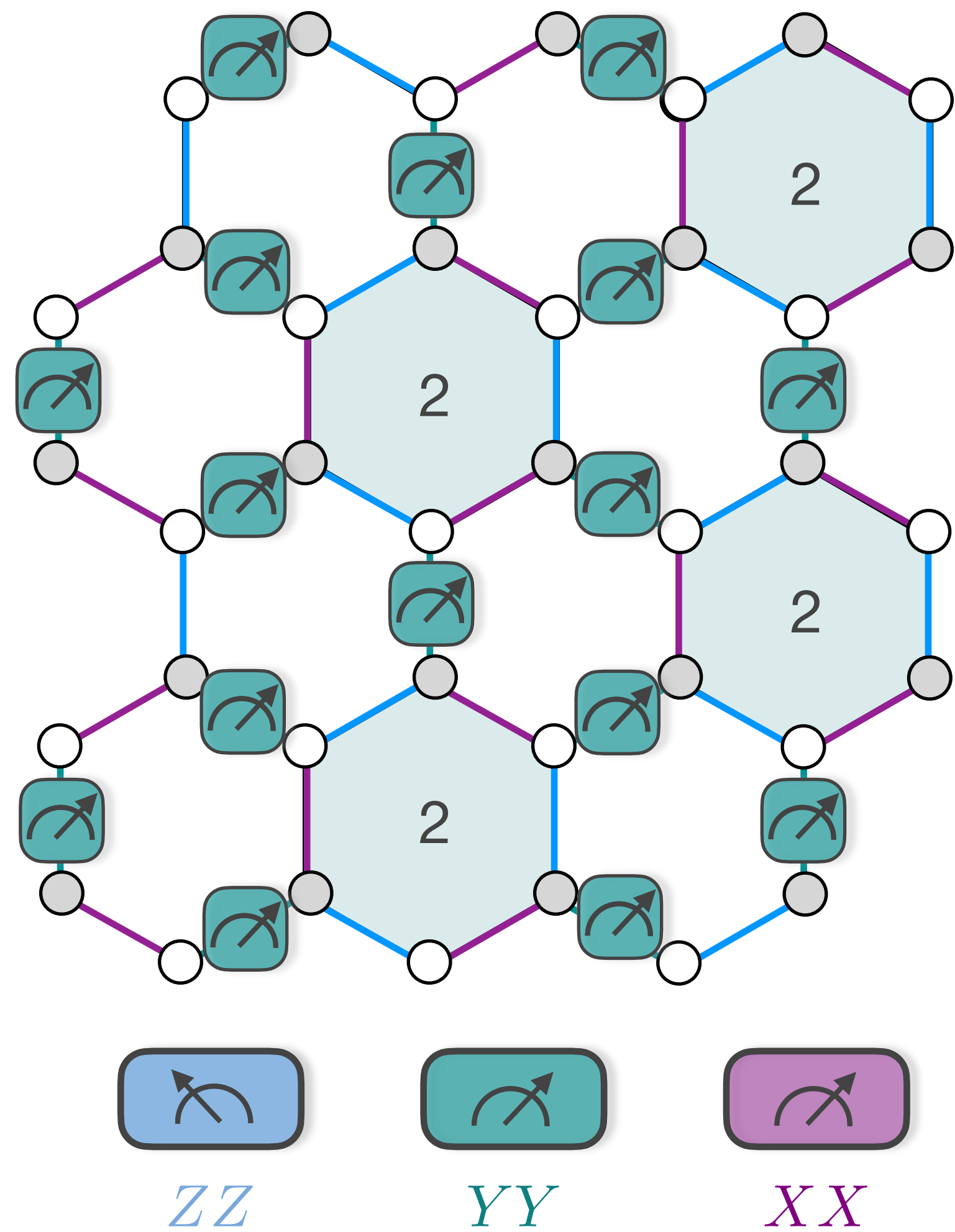


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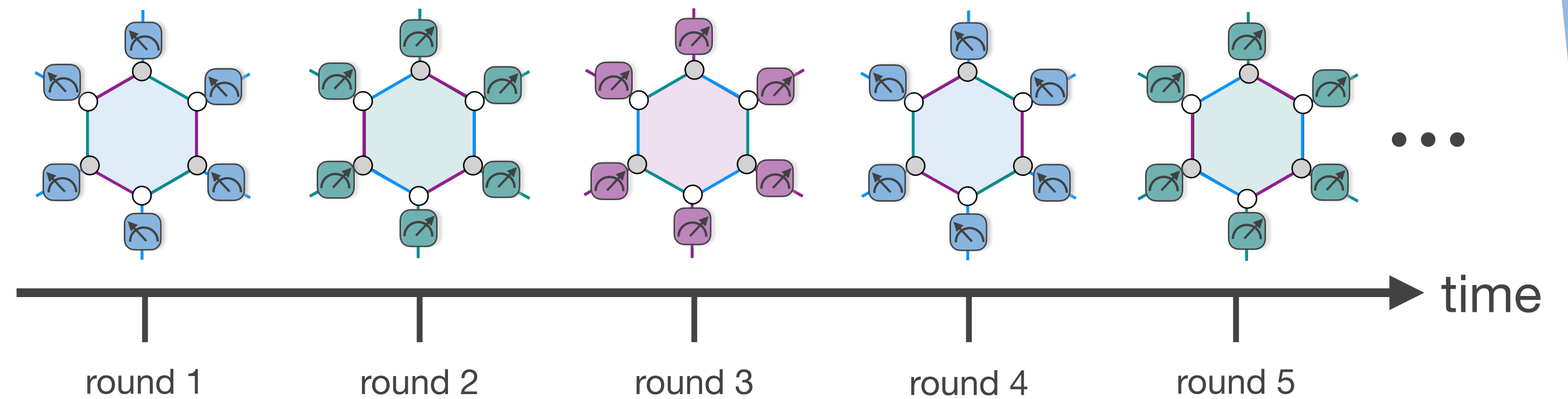
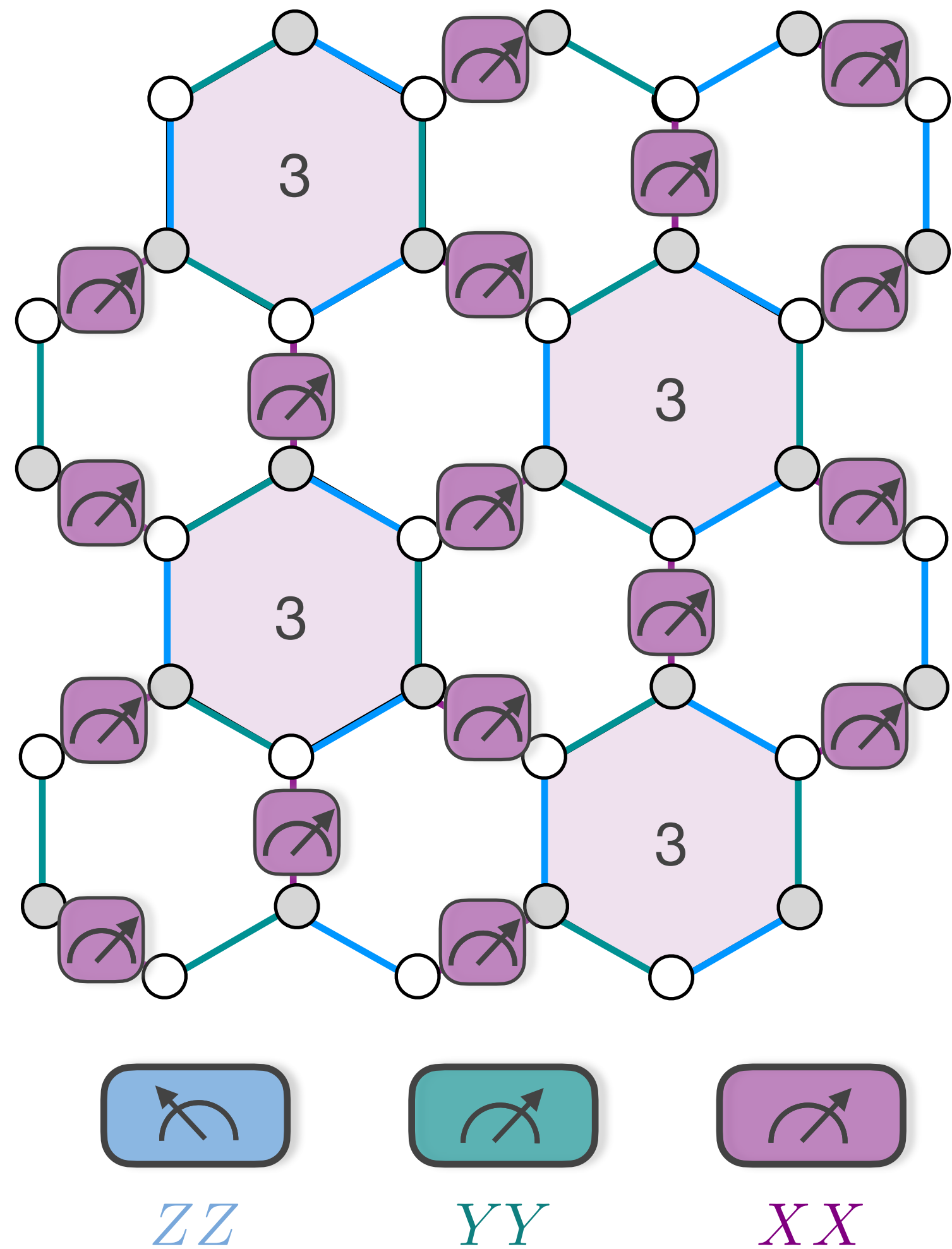


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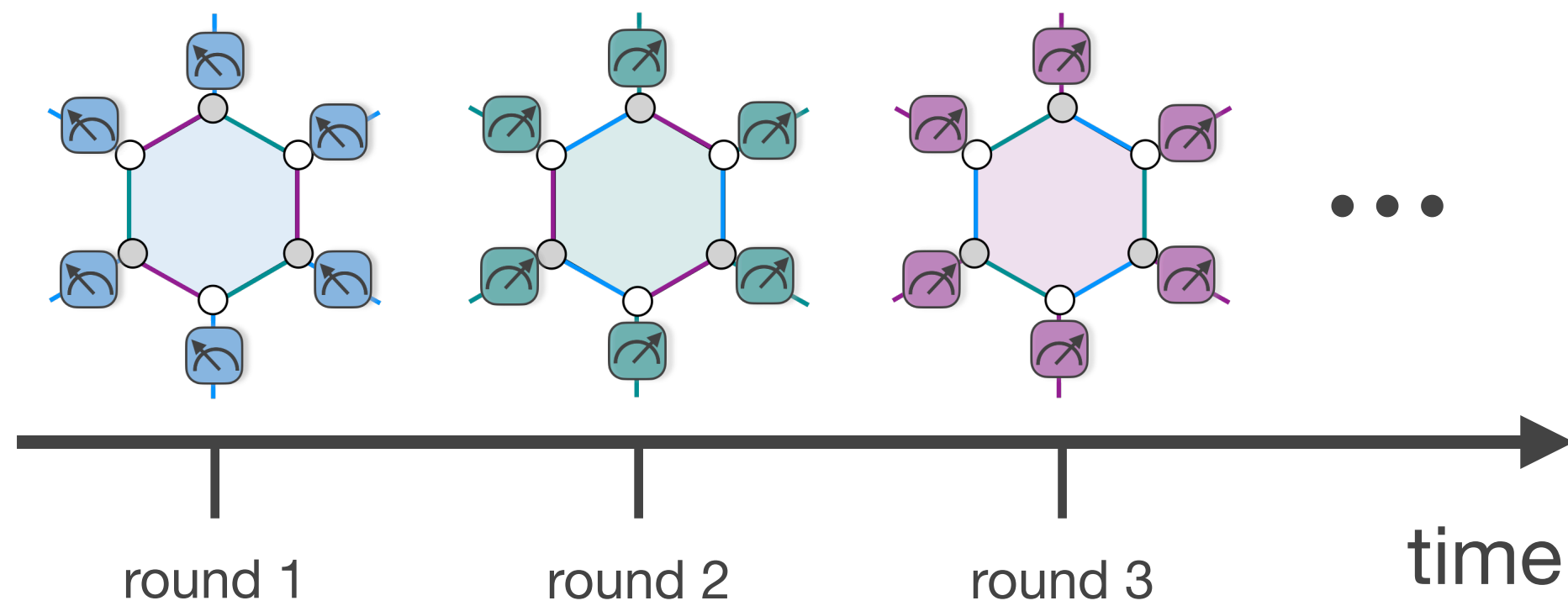


## dynamically generated logical qubits

- **Floquet** dynamics
- **two-qubit** Pauli operators
- quantum **error correcting** code
- **two logical qubits**

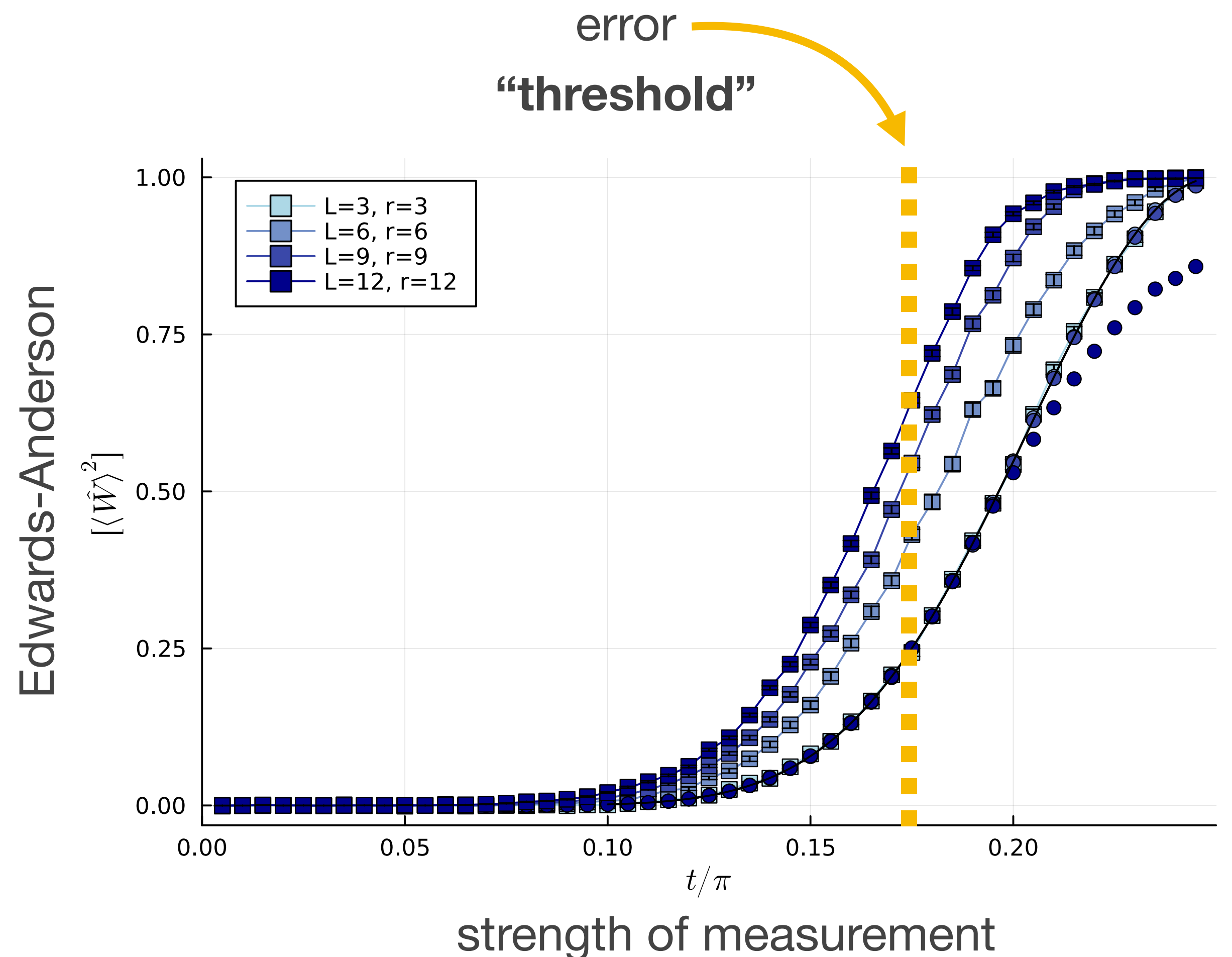
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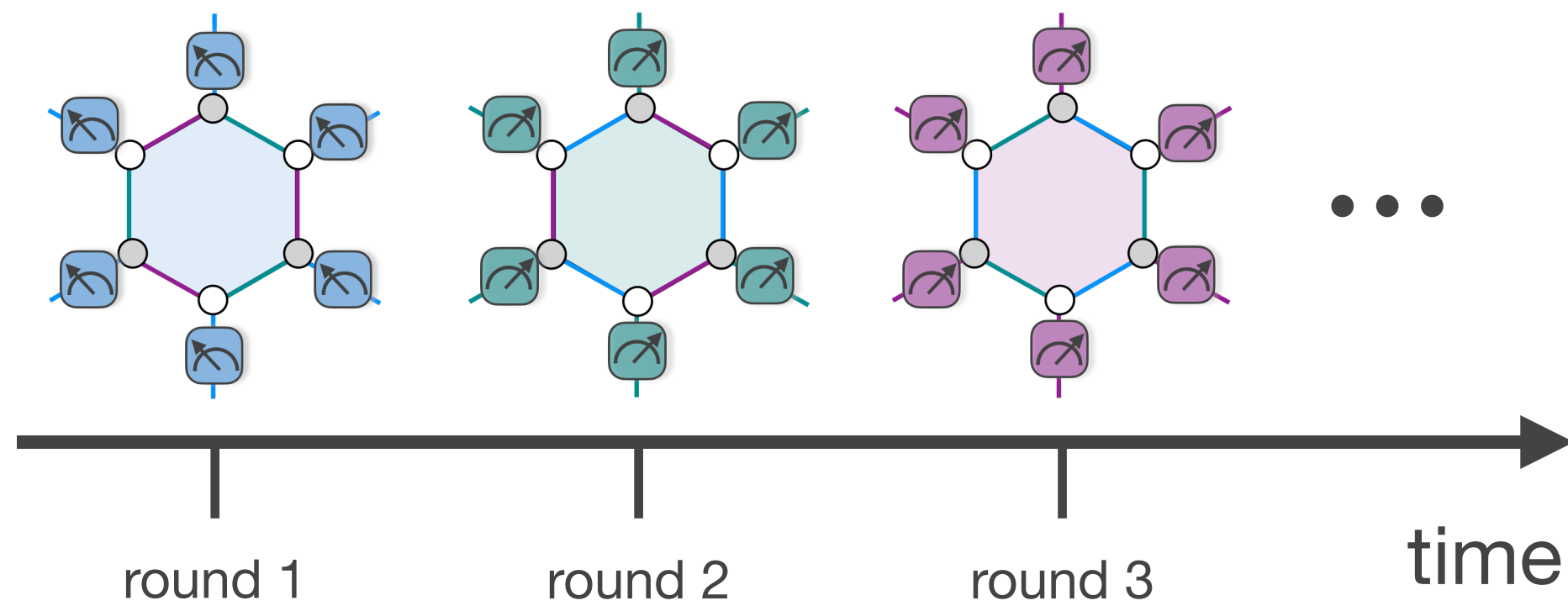


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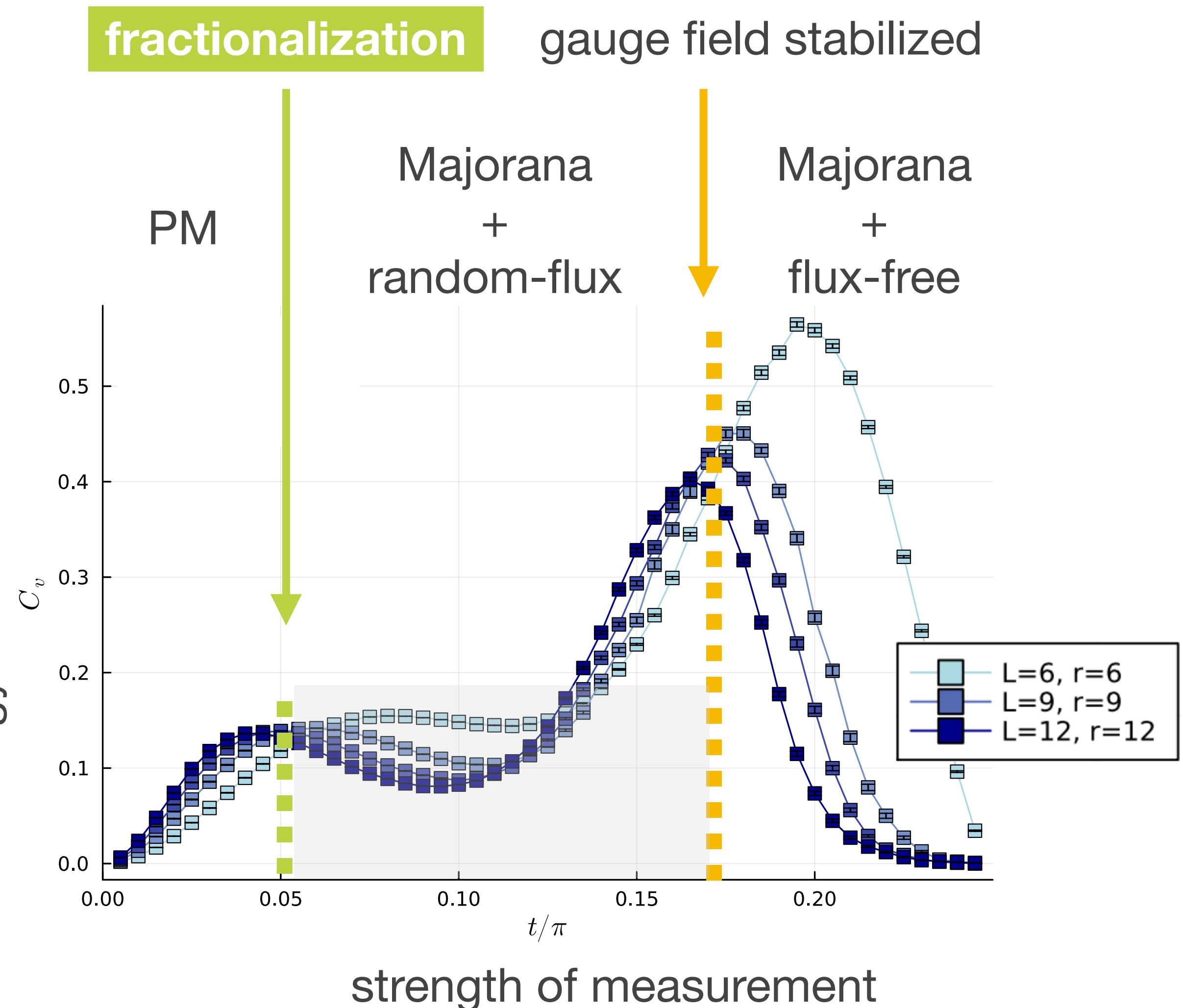


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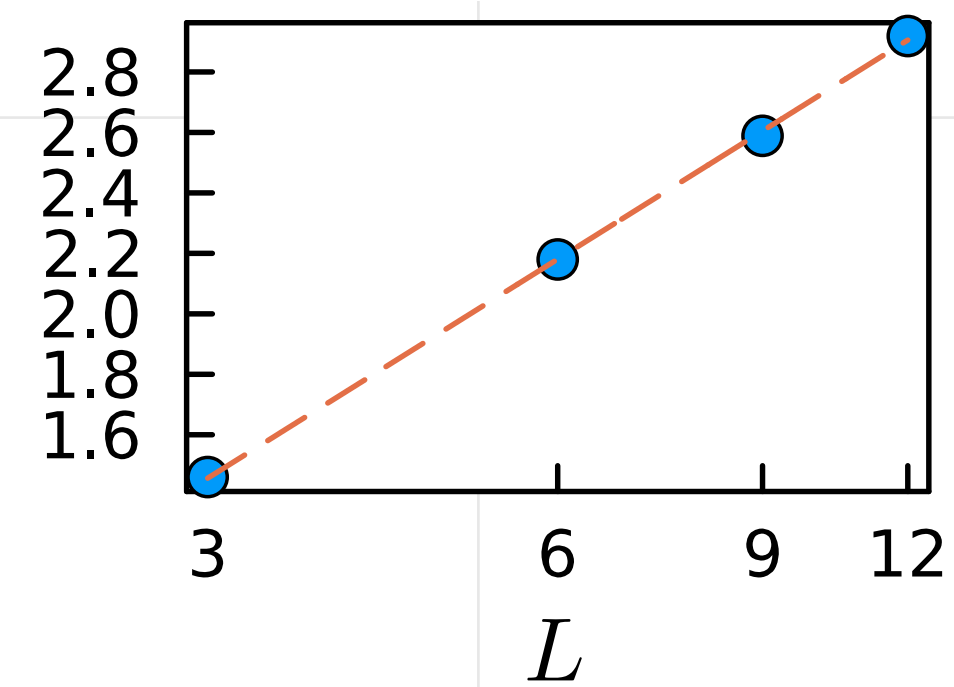
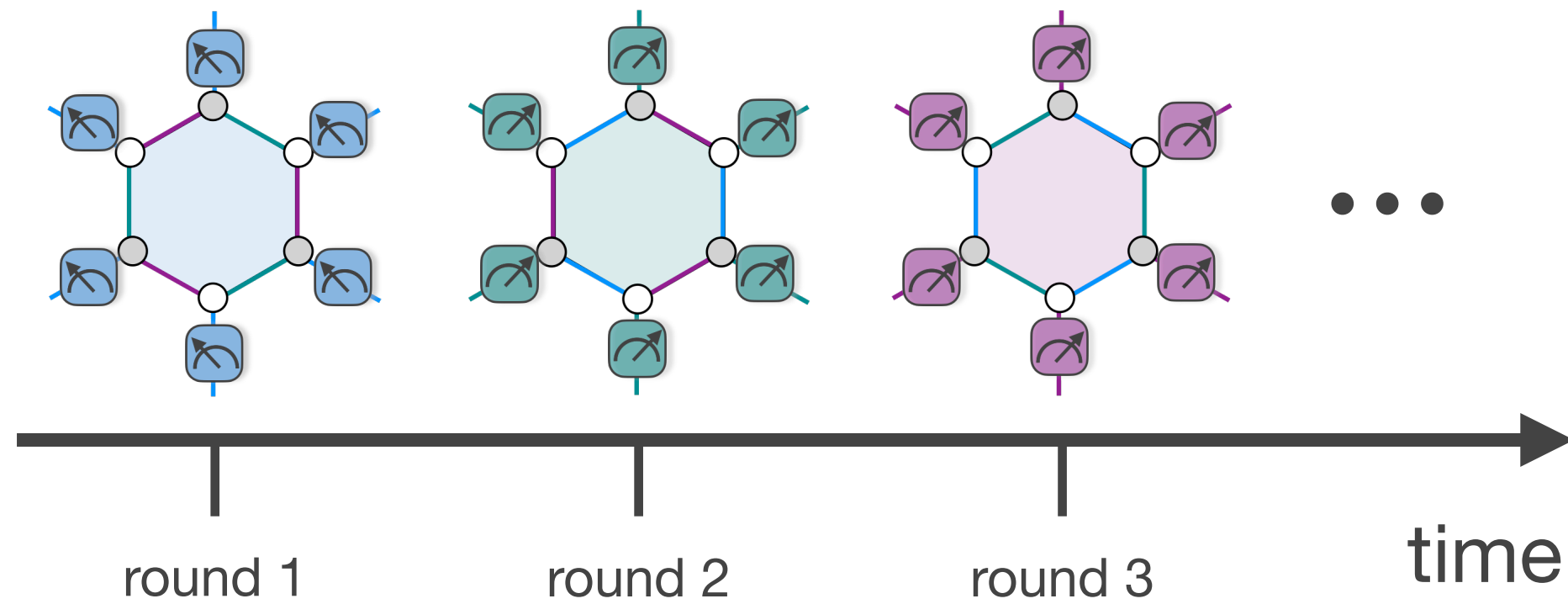
“energy” fluctuations



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# Hastings-Haah Floquet code



Fermi-surface scaling

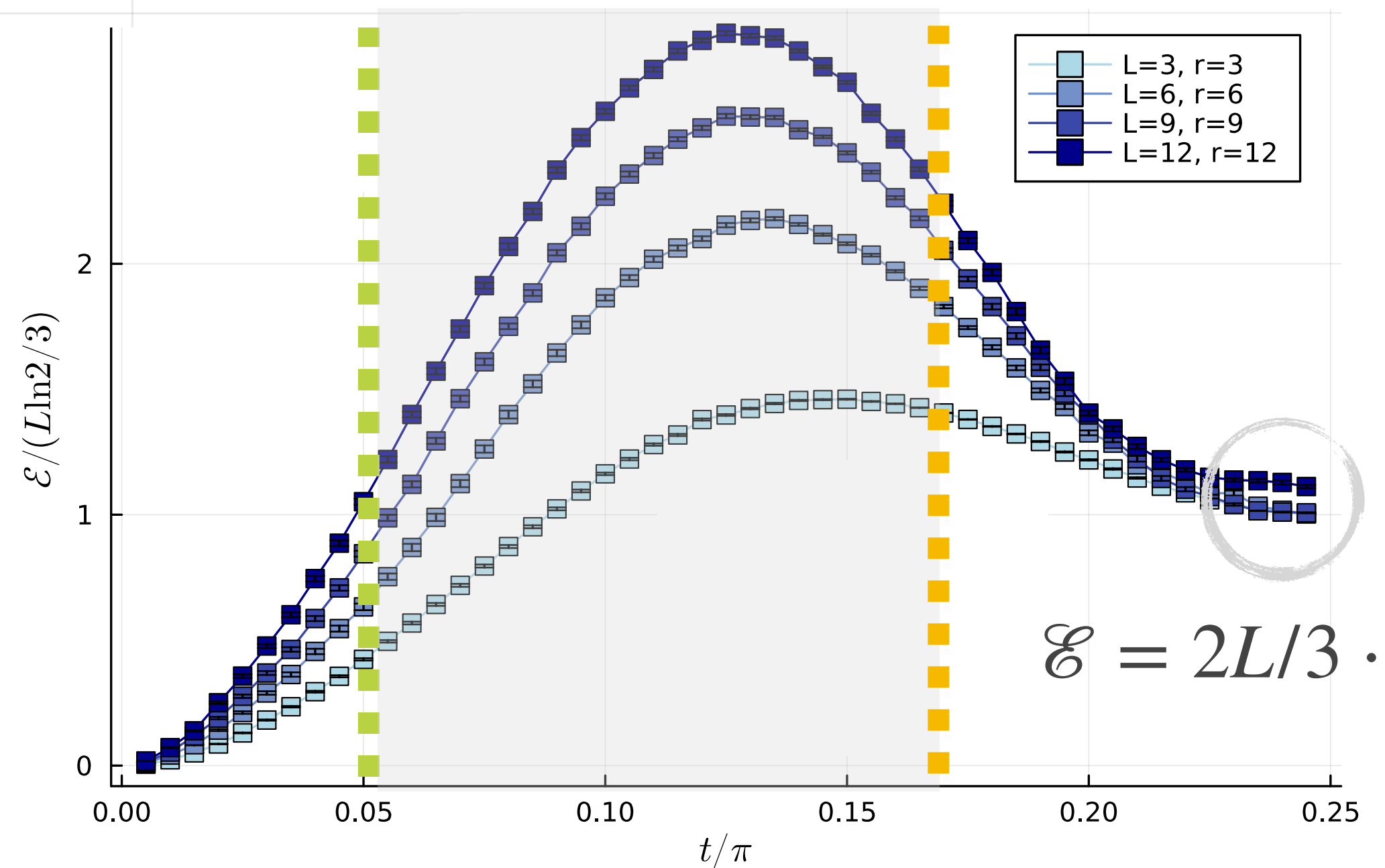
scaling  $\mathcal{E} \sim L \ln L$

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only quantum correlations  
Ryu, 2017

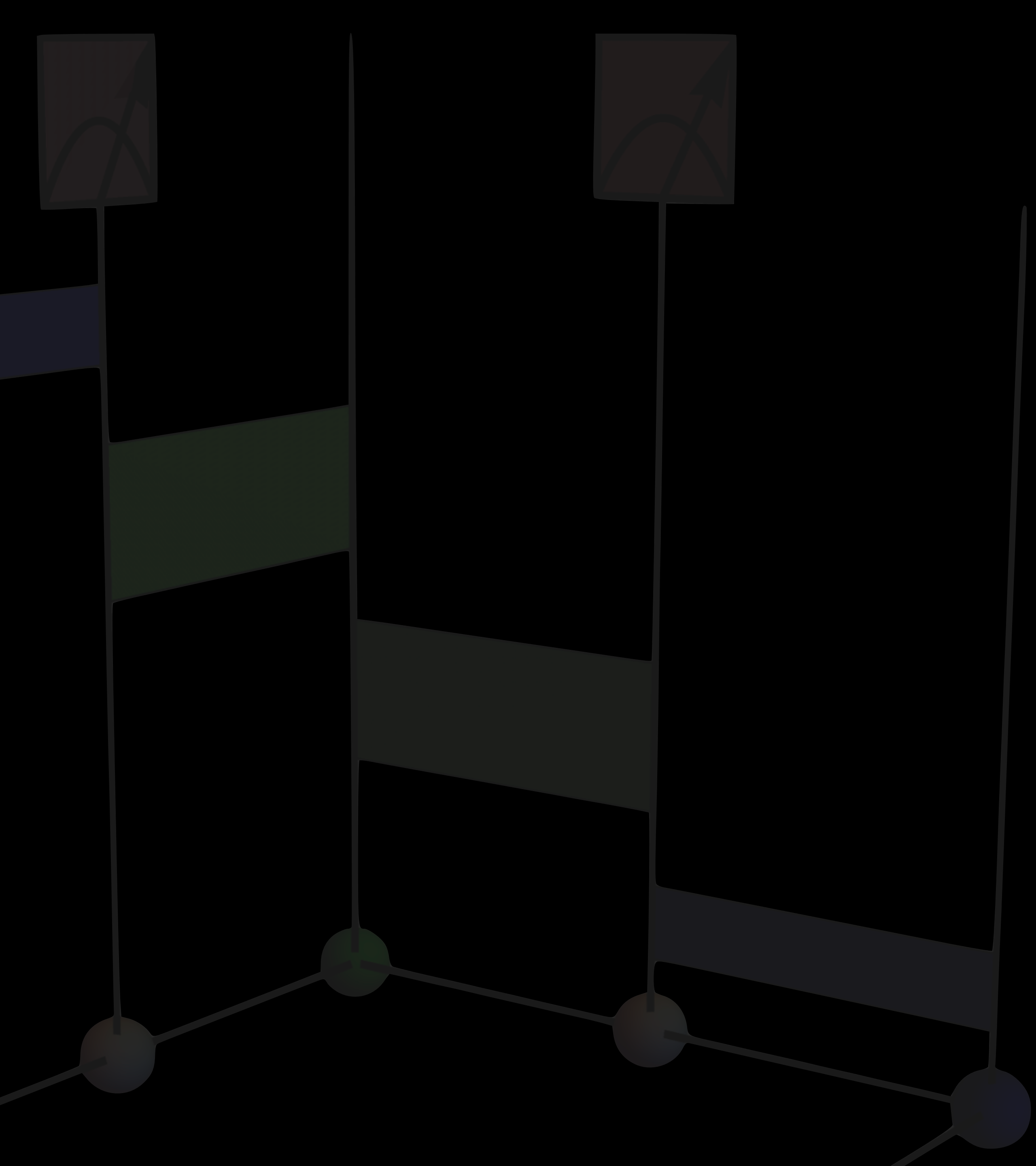
entanglement negativity



$\mathcal{E} = 2L/3 \cdot \ln 2/2$

strength of measurement

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**summary**

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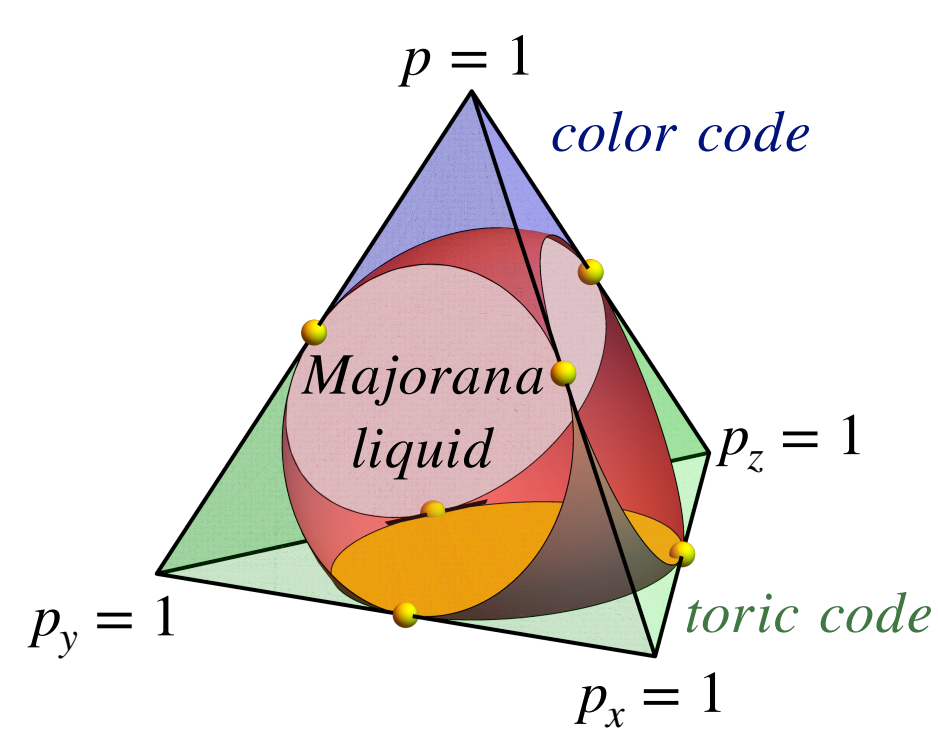
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## monitored Kitaev dynamics

- **frustration** by **non-commuting** measurements is key ingredient
- rich **entanglement phase diagram**
- **6-qubit** operators can induce **structured volume-law** entanglement



## weak Floquet dynamics

- **error threshold** for Hastings-Haah code
- measurement strength = **effective temperature**
- signature of **fractionalization**
- intermediate “**metallic**” phase

What can we learn from **monitored (Clifford) circuits** about quantum magnetism?

Can we **engineer spin liquid phenomenology** on current quantum computing platforms?



A scenic view of a coastline. In the foreground, there is a sandy dune with various green plants, including tall, thin stalks with small, round, yellowish-green flowers. The middle ground shows a sandy beach leading to a blue ocean with gentle waves. The background features a clear blue sky with scattered white clouds and a distant shoreline with some buildings and hills.

Thanks!