

EXCEPTIONAL POINTS FOR RANDOMLY PERTURBED CRITICAL HAMILTONIAN

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Outline

- Exceptional points (EP)
- Lipkin model: A simple critical system with both 1st and 2nd order QPTs
- EP distribution of randomly perturbed Hamiltonians

Exceptional points

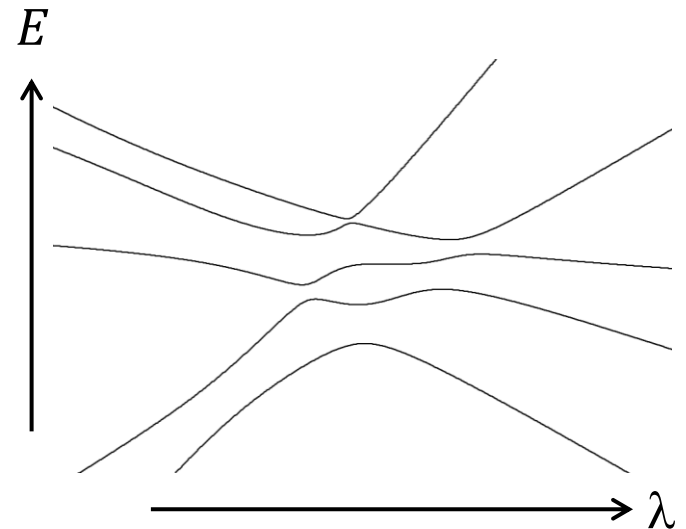
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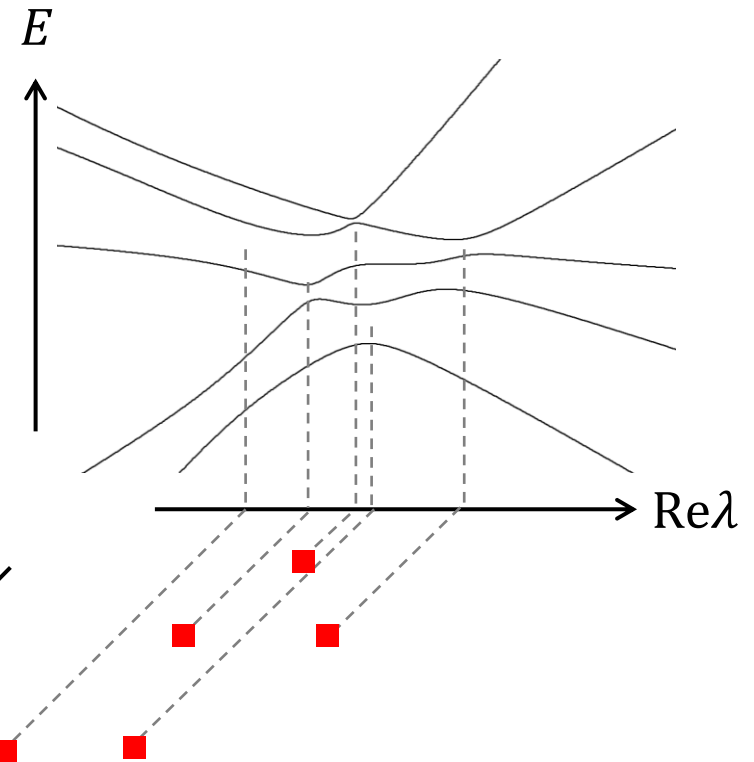
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**Nonhermitian extension
of the Hamiltonian**

$\text{Im } \lambda$

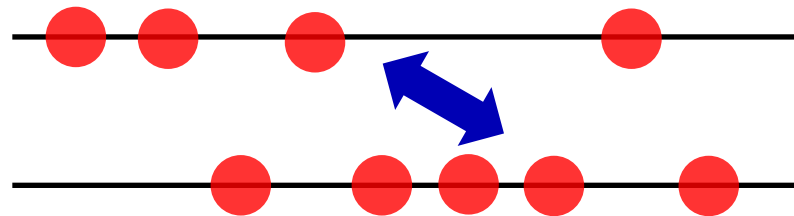
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Energy levels cross at $\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$ complex conjugate pairs of exceptional points $\lambda^{EP}, \lambda^{EP*} \in \mathbb{C}$

Lipkin(-Meshkov-Glick) model

H.J. Lipkin, N. Meshkov, A.J. Glick, *Nucl. Phys.* **62**, 188 (1965)
 N. Meshkov, A.J. Glick, H.J. Lipkin, *Nucl. Phys.* **62**, 199 (1965)
 A.J. Glick, H.J. Lipkin, N. Meshkov, *Nucl. Phys.* **62**, 211 (1965)



2 levels with capacity N

N interacting fermions

$$J_z = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N a_{i+}^{\dagger} a_{i+} - a_{i-}^{\dagger} a_{i-}$$

$$J_+ = \sum_{i=1}^N a_{i+}^{\dagger} a_{i-} \quad J_- = (J_+)^{\dagger}$$

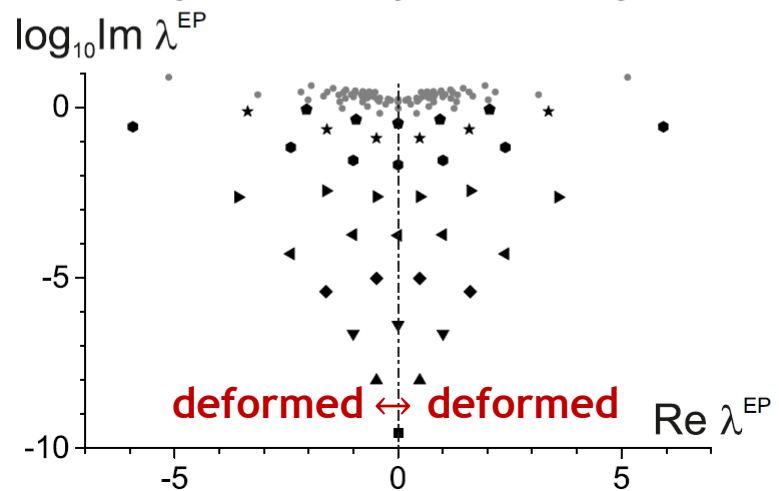
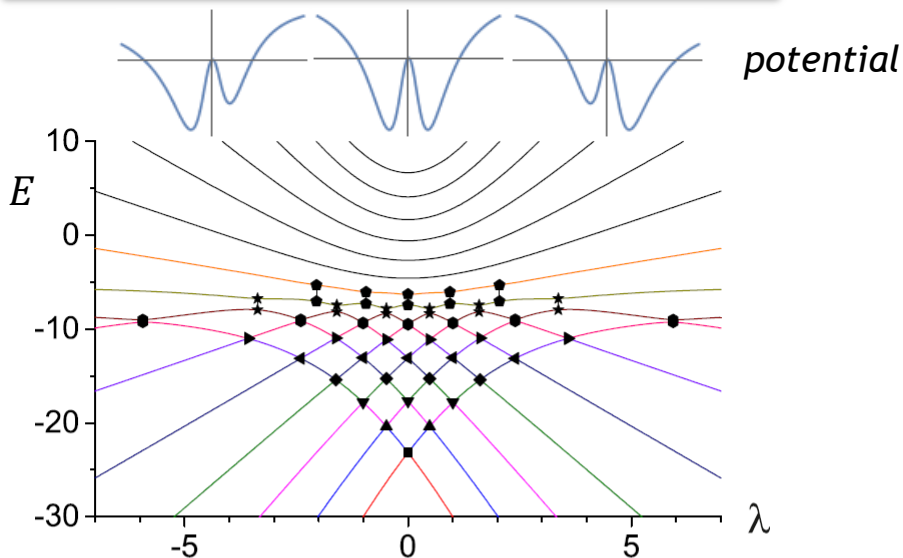


SU(2) algebra
 Quasispin j is conserved

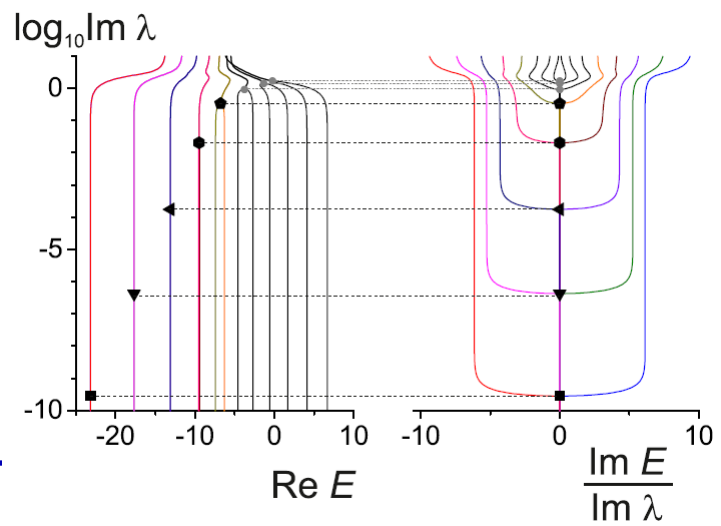
Only $j = \frac{N}{2}$ subspace considered - 1 degree of freedom

1st order QPT

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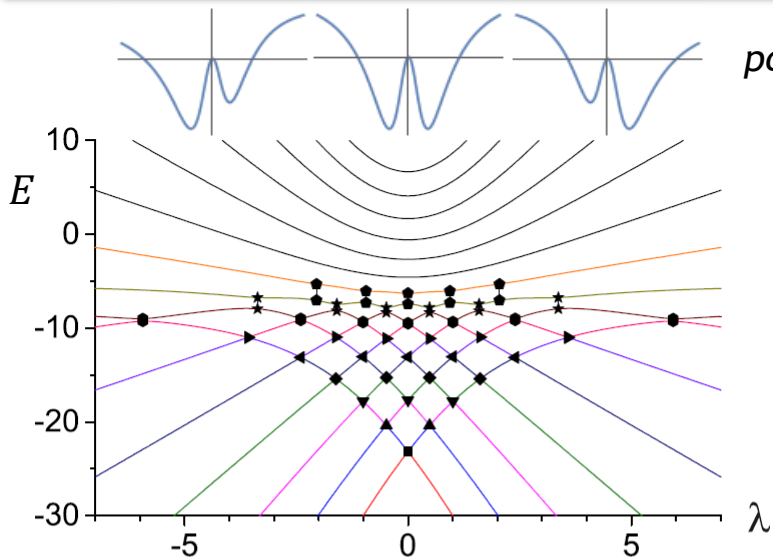


Re E merges Im E diverges
at an individual EP
when Im λ increased

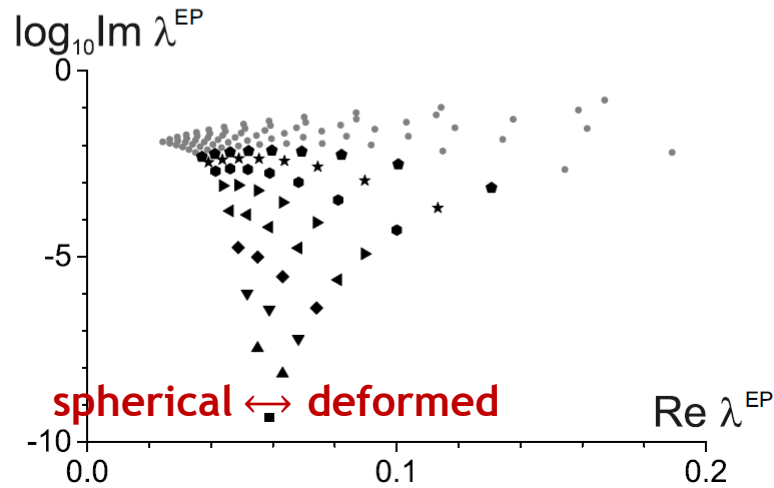
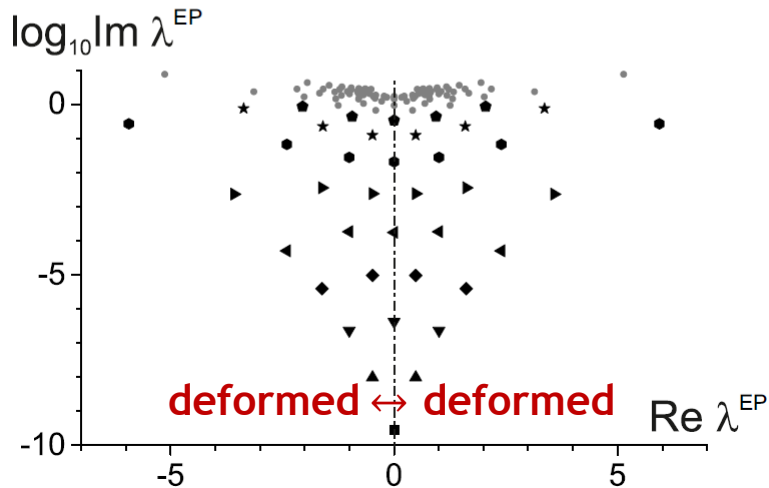
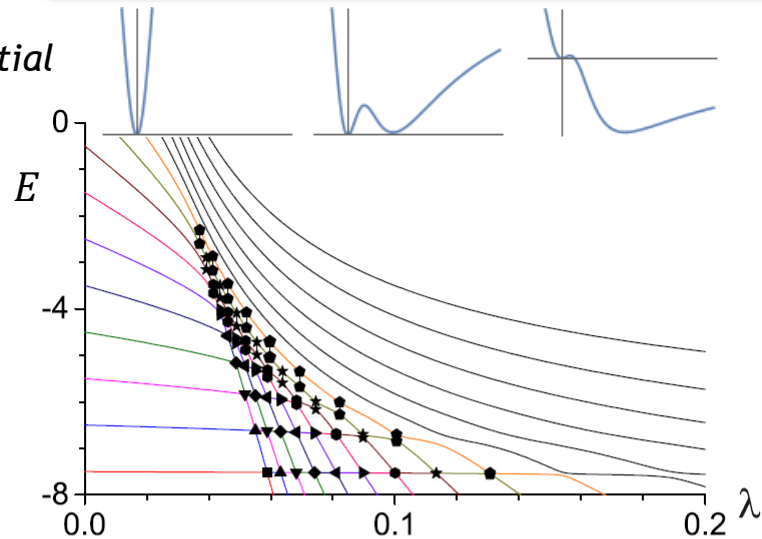


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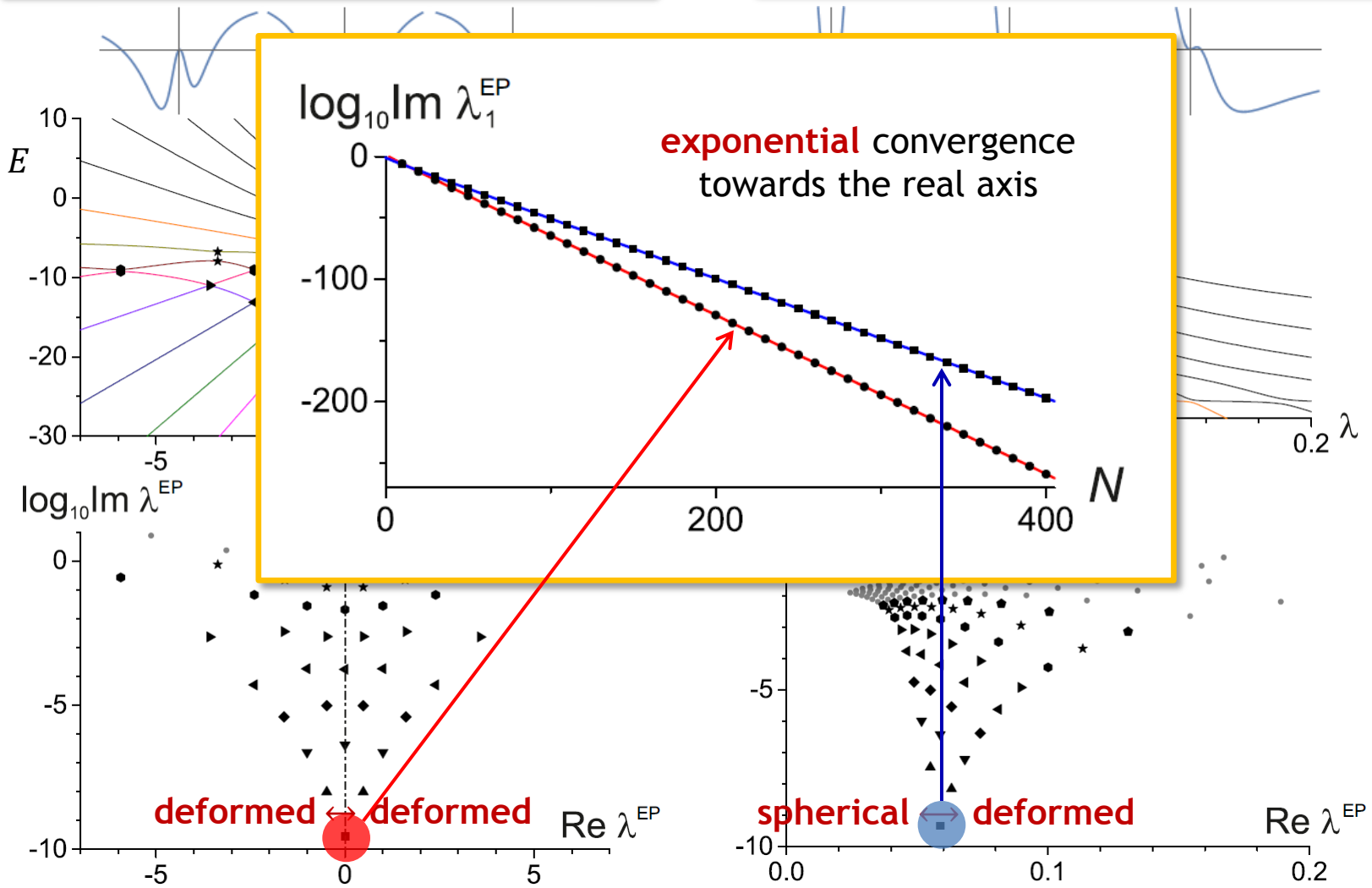


$N = 15$

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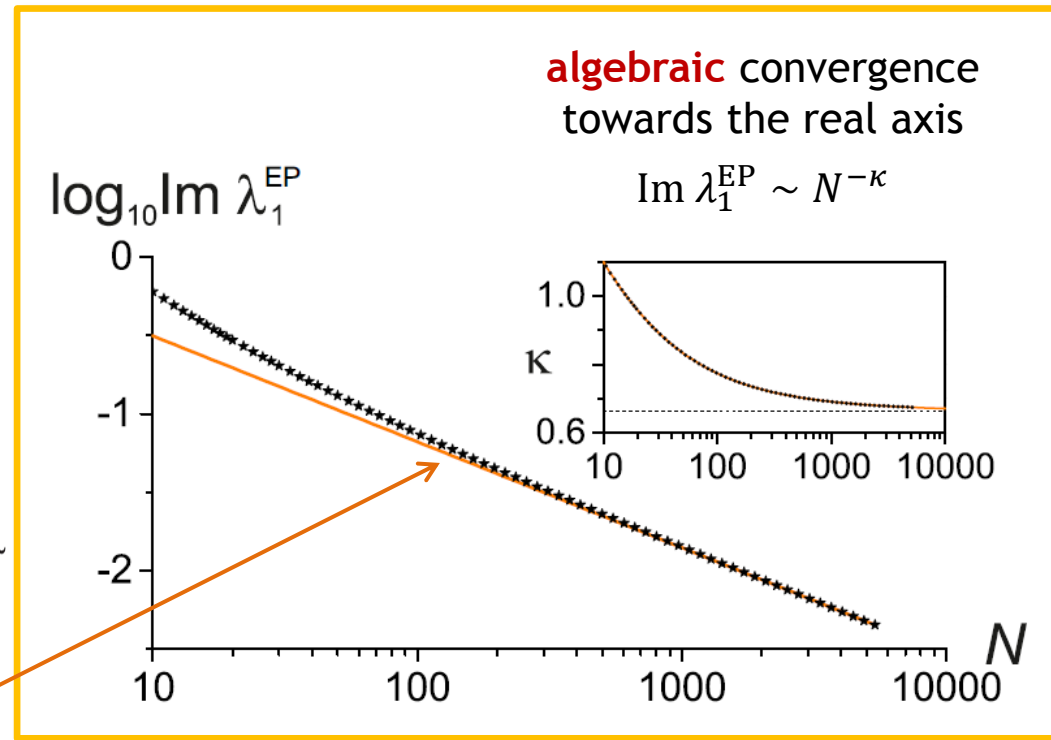
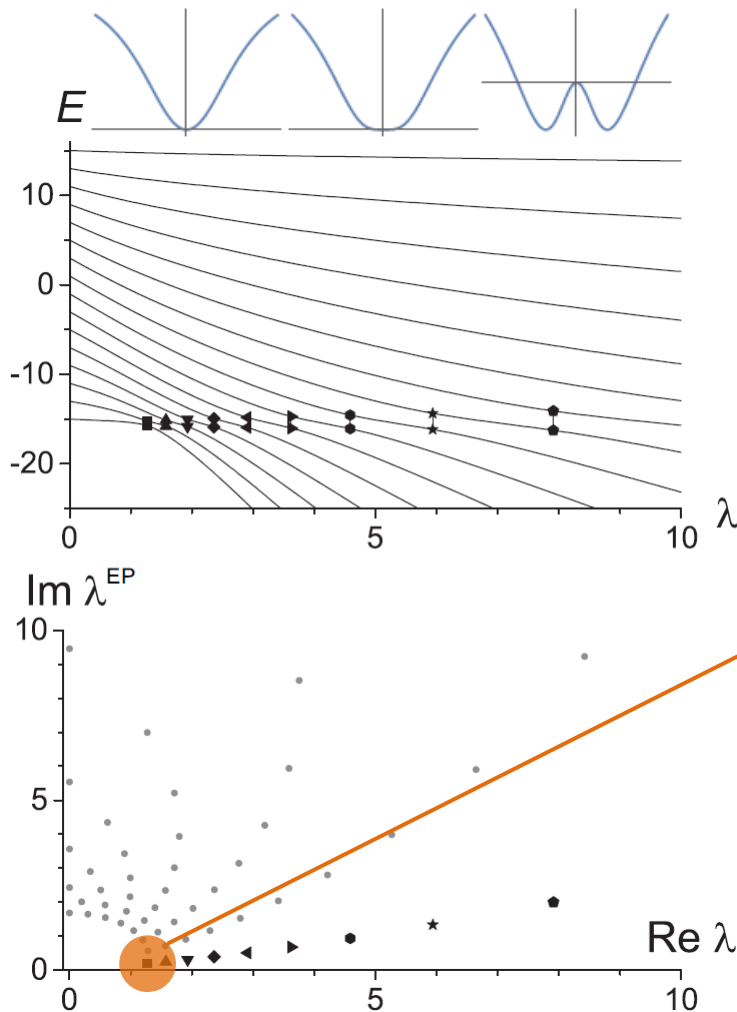
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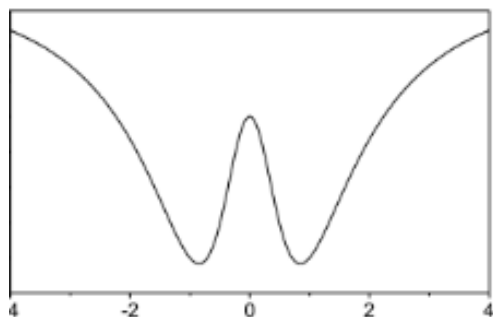
2nd order QPT

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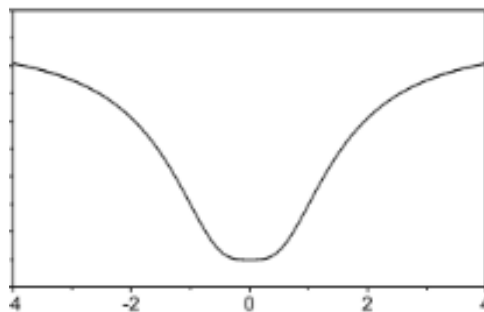


Critical Hamiltonians H_0

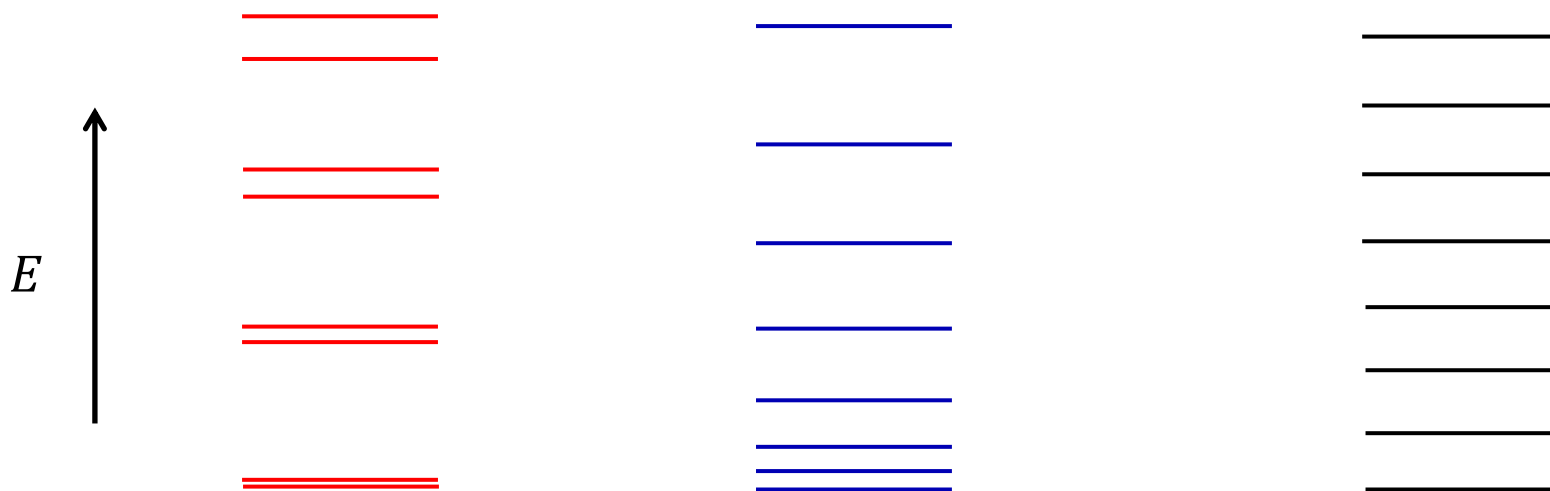
C1



C2



... to be compared with
the Harmonic Oscillator

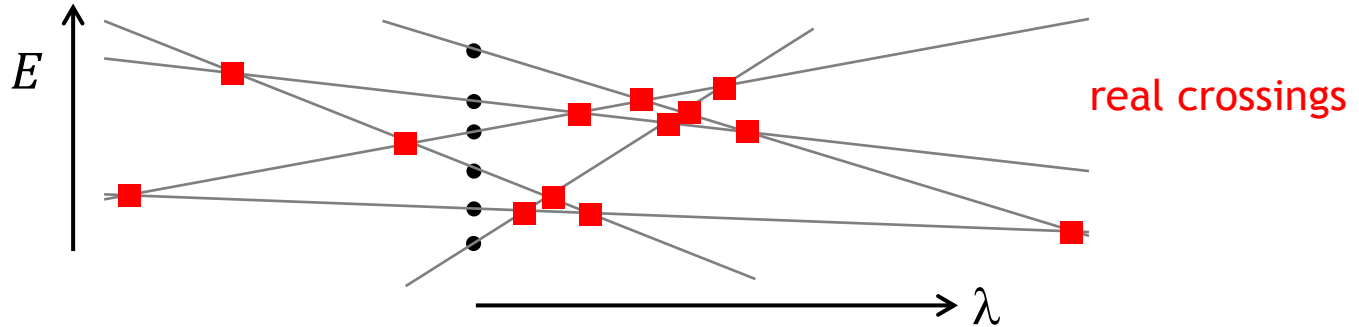


+ random perturbation V

(averaged over the whole
ensemble of interactions V)

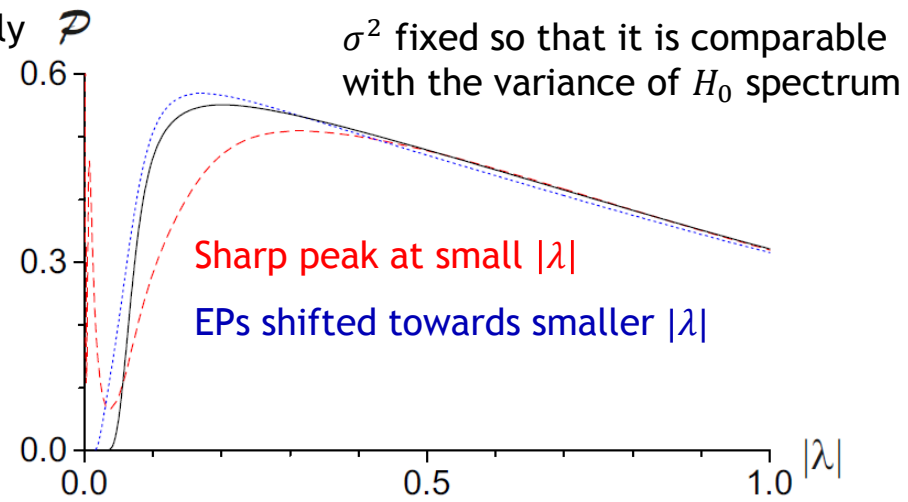
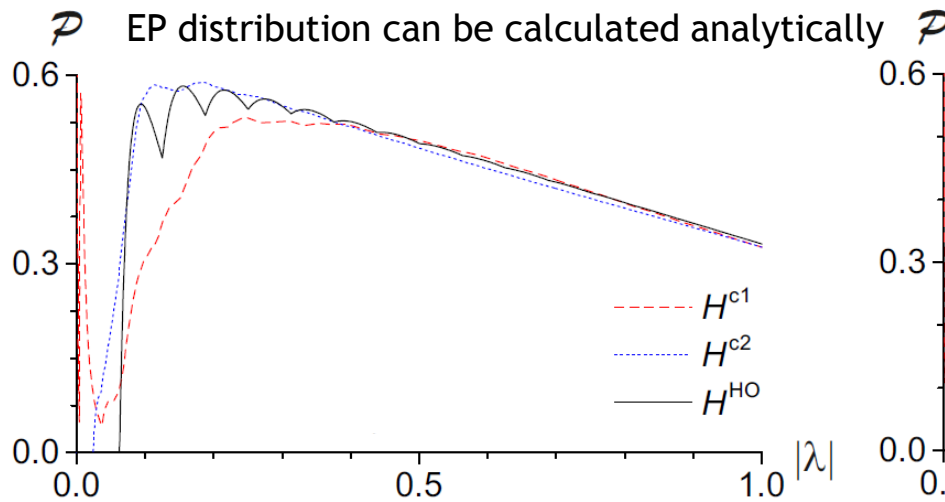
Diagonal perturbation

- corresponds to perturbations preserving all the symmetries of the original Hamiltonian



$$V = \begin{pmatrix} R(0, \sigma^2) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & R(0, \sigma^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

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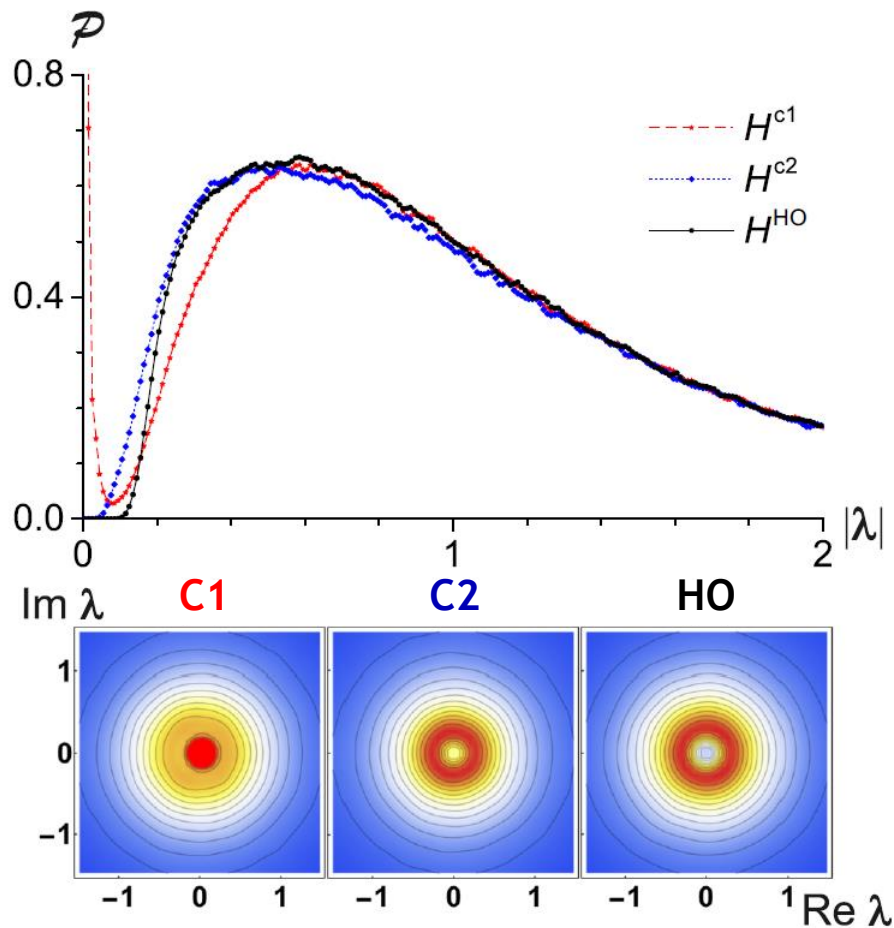


$d = 16$

GOE perturbation

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} N(0, 2\sigma^2) & \cdots & N(0, \sigma^2) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ N(0, \sigma^2) & \cdots & N(0, 2\sigma^2) \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GOE}$$

eigenbasis = random rotation
of the unperturbed basis



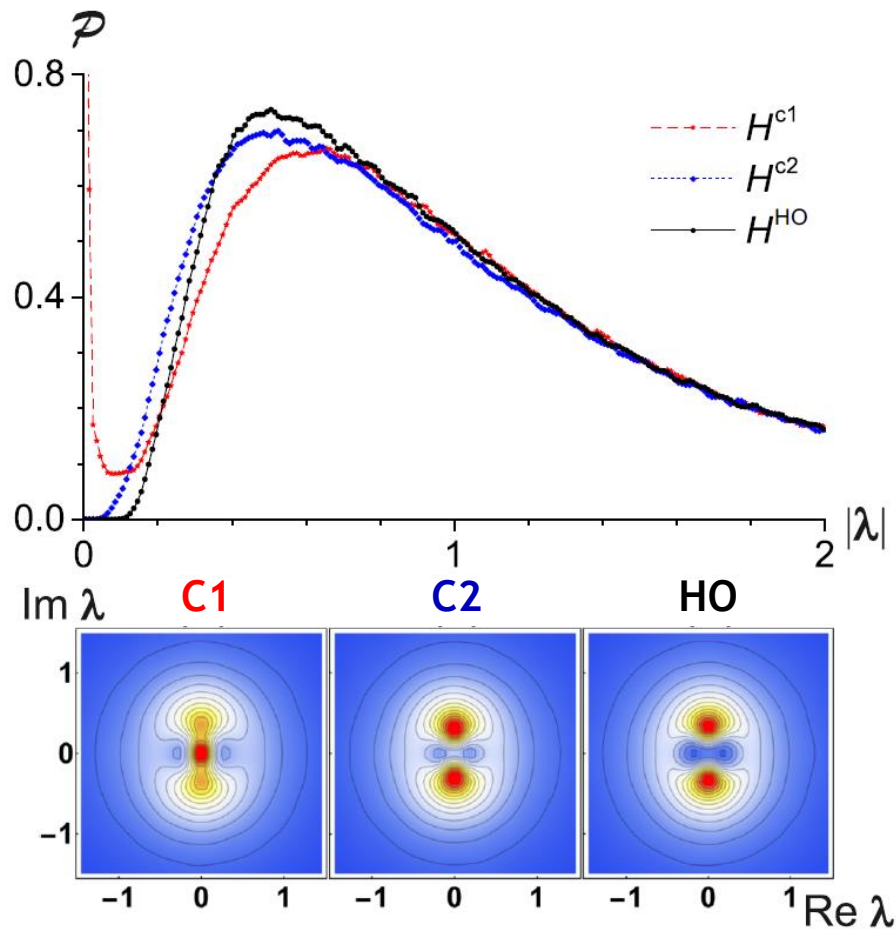
EP distribution in the complex λ plane is
rotationally symmetric around the origin
 $\lambda = 0$

B. Shapiro, K. Zarembo,
J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **50**, 045201 (2017)

Off-diagonal perturbation

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & N(0, \sigma^2) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ N(0, \sigma^2) & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- initial symmetries are violated in a maximal way
- Expected results partly similar to the matrices from GUE



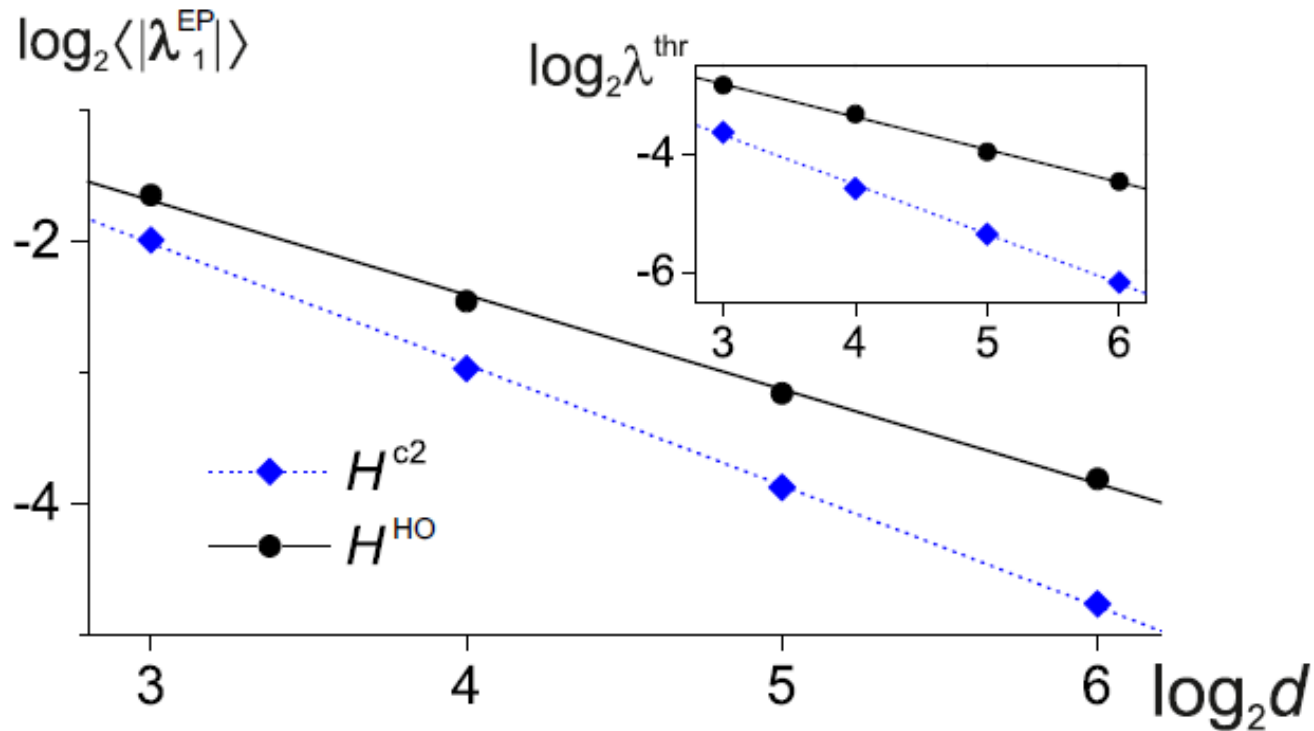
Small $|\lambda|$ behaviour similar with the diagonal and GOE perturbation

EPs the furthest from the real axis

Scaling with matrix dimension d

Ensemble average of the distance of the closest EP from the origin

Distance of the closest EP from the origin in an ensemble of 10^6 generated EPs



Power-law behaviour d^{-c} , where c is higher for the critical Hamiltonian

Conclusions

1st order QPT

Connected with a single pair of EPs.

Exponential

- convergence of the EPs to the real axis when the system's size grows
- accumulation of the EPs near $\lambda = 0$ when the system is arbitrarily perturbed

2nd order QPT

Ground-state affected by several EPs located at comparable distances from the real axis.

Algebraic

- EP distribution represents a strong signature of quantum criticality allowing us to discriminate between the first- and higher-order critical Hamiltonians
- EP distribution may have consequences for the superradiance phenomenon in open quantum systems (*work in progress*)

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Resultant $R(\lambda)$

$$P(E, \lambda) = \det[E - H(\lambda)] = 0$$

$$Q(E, \lambda) = \frac{\partial P(E, \lambda)}{\partial E} = 0$$

- polynomial of degree $N(N - 1)$
- pairs of complex conjugate roots
- no roots on the real axis

σ^2 adjustment

$$D_H = \frac{1}{d-1} \sum_{n=1}^d |E_n - M_E|^2 = \frac{\text{Tr } HH^+}{d-1} - \frac{\text{Tr } H \text{Tr } H^+}{d(d-1)}$$

$$M_H = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n=1}^d E_n = \frac{\text{Tr } H}{d}$$

- center of mass of the spectrum

- quadratic spread of the spectrum E_n
- characterizes an average diameter of the cloud of complex eigenvalues

HO: $\sqrt{D_E} \approx \frac{\omega d}{\sqrt{12}}, E_n = \omega n$

C2: $\sqrt{D_E} \approx \frac{\omega d}{\sqrt{11.23}}, E_n = \omega n^{\frac{4}{3}} d^{-\frac{1}{3}}$

$$\langle D_V \rangle = D_{H(0)}$$

- $\sigma^2 = D_{H(0)}$ for the diagonal perturbation
- $\sigma^2 = \frac{D_{H(0)}}{d+2}$ for the GOE perturbation
- $\sigma^2 = \frac{D_{H(0)}}{d}$ for the offdiagonal perturbation

Global properties of the spectrum

$$M_{H(\lambda)} = M_{H(0)} + \lambda M_V \quad - \text{spectral mean value}$$

$$D_{H(\lambda)} = D_{H(0)} + \text{Re}\lambda \underbrace{\frac{2d}{d-1} [M_{H(0)V} - M_{H(0)}M_V]}_K + |\lambda|^2 D_V$$



$$\text{Im}\lambda = 0$$

- quadratic spread (quadratic dependence on λ)

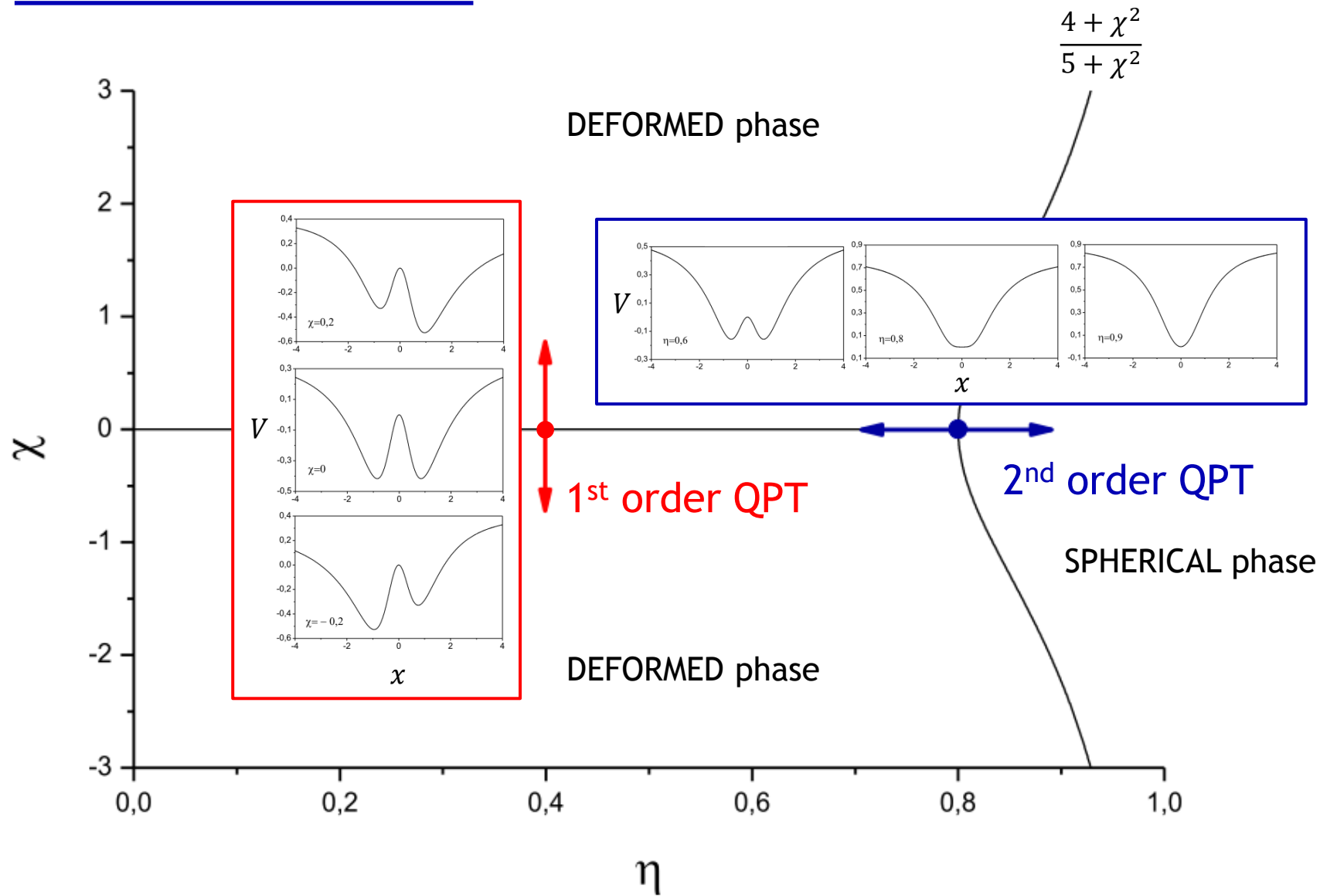
parabola with a minimum at $\lambda_0 = -\frac{K}{2D_V}$
(at this point the spectrum is maximally compressed)

Main structural changes expected for $\Delta\lambda \approx \sqrt{\frac{D_{H(\lambda_0)}}{D_V}}$ vicinity of λ_0

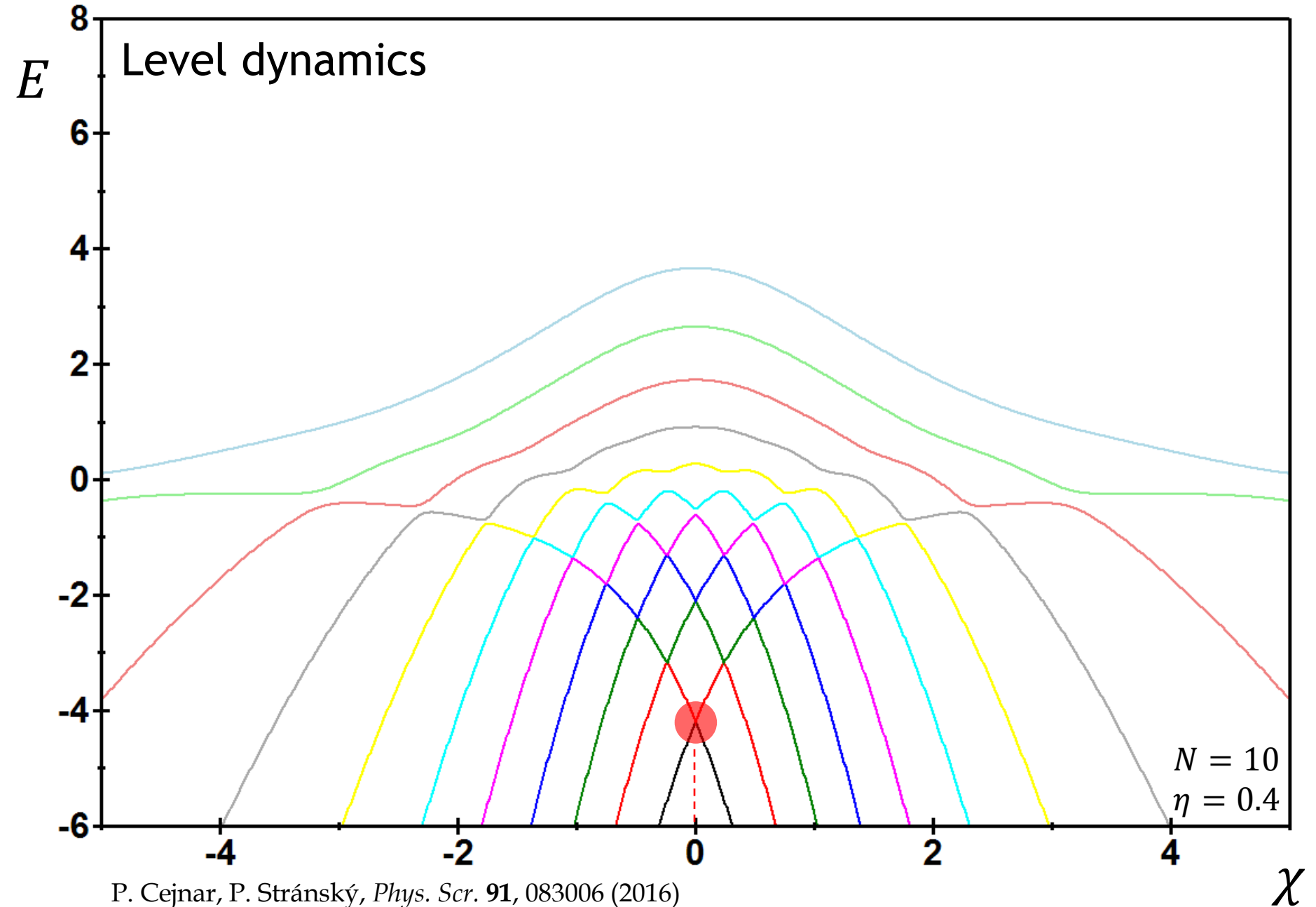
Expectation values

$$\langle M_V \rangle = \langle K \rangle = 0 \quad \langle D_V \rangle = D_{H(0)} \quad \langle K \rangle = 0$$

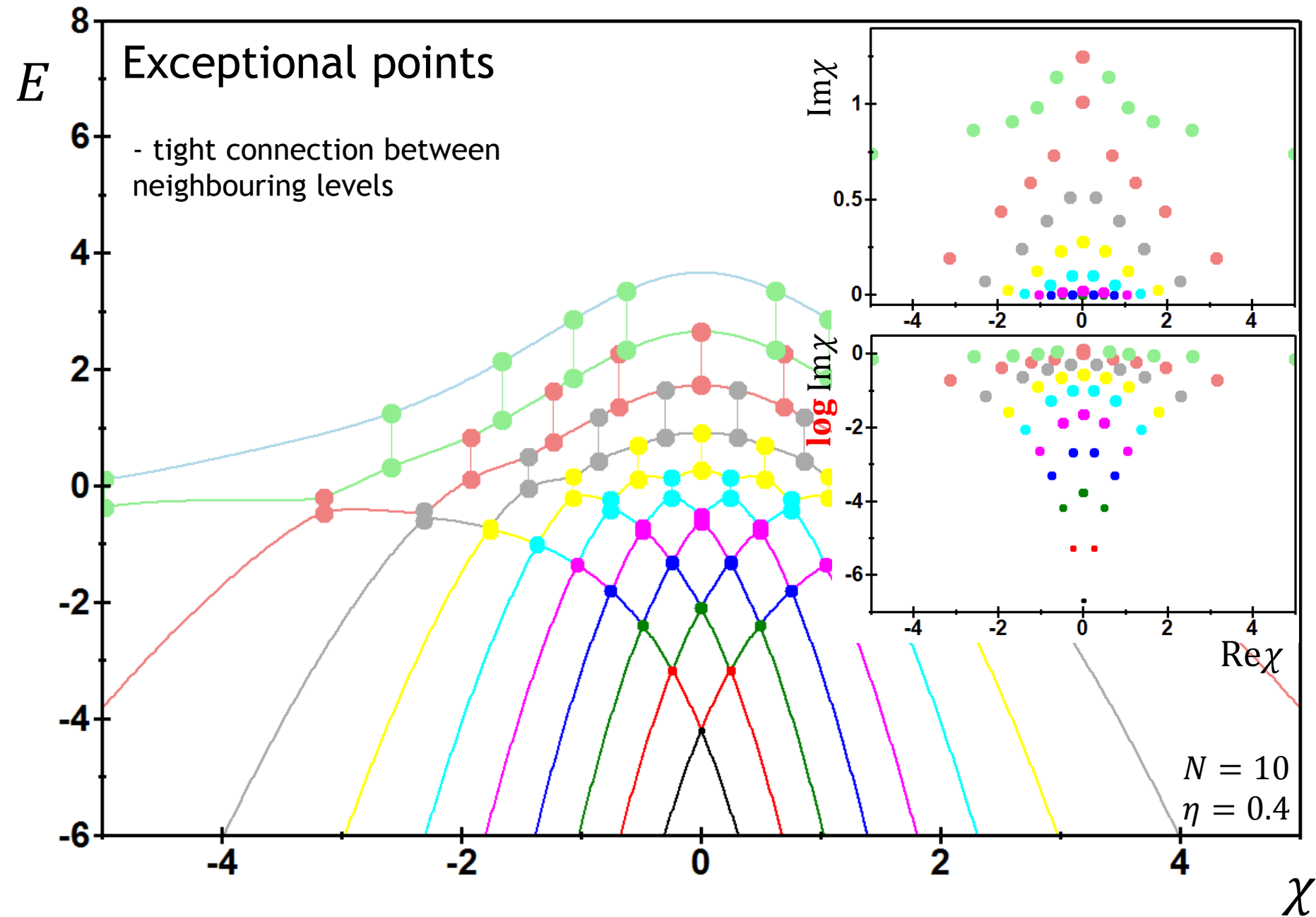
Phase structure



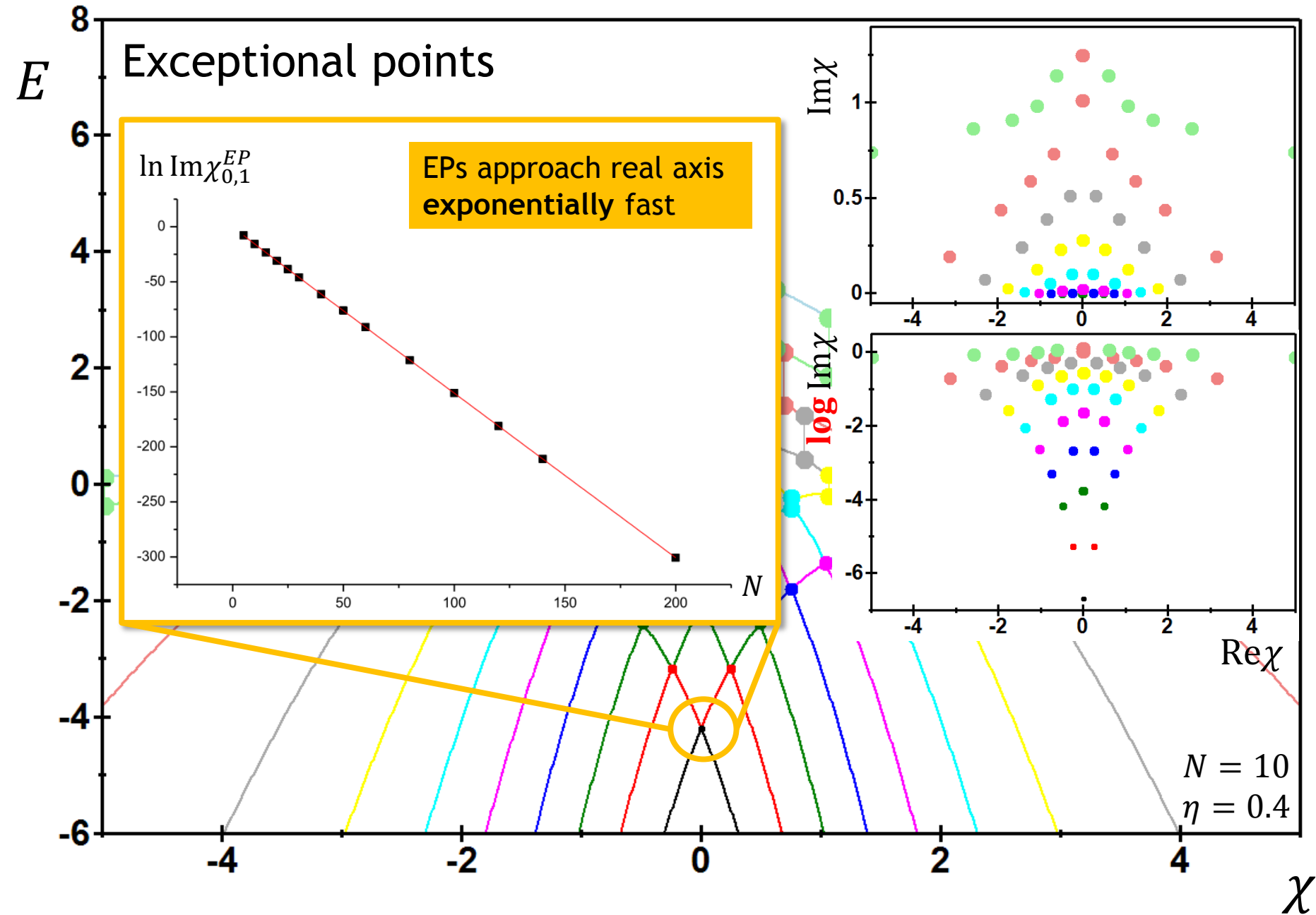
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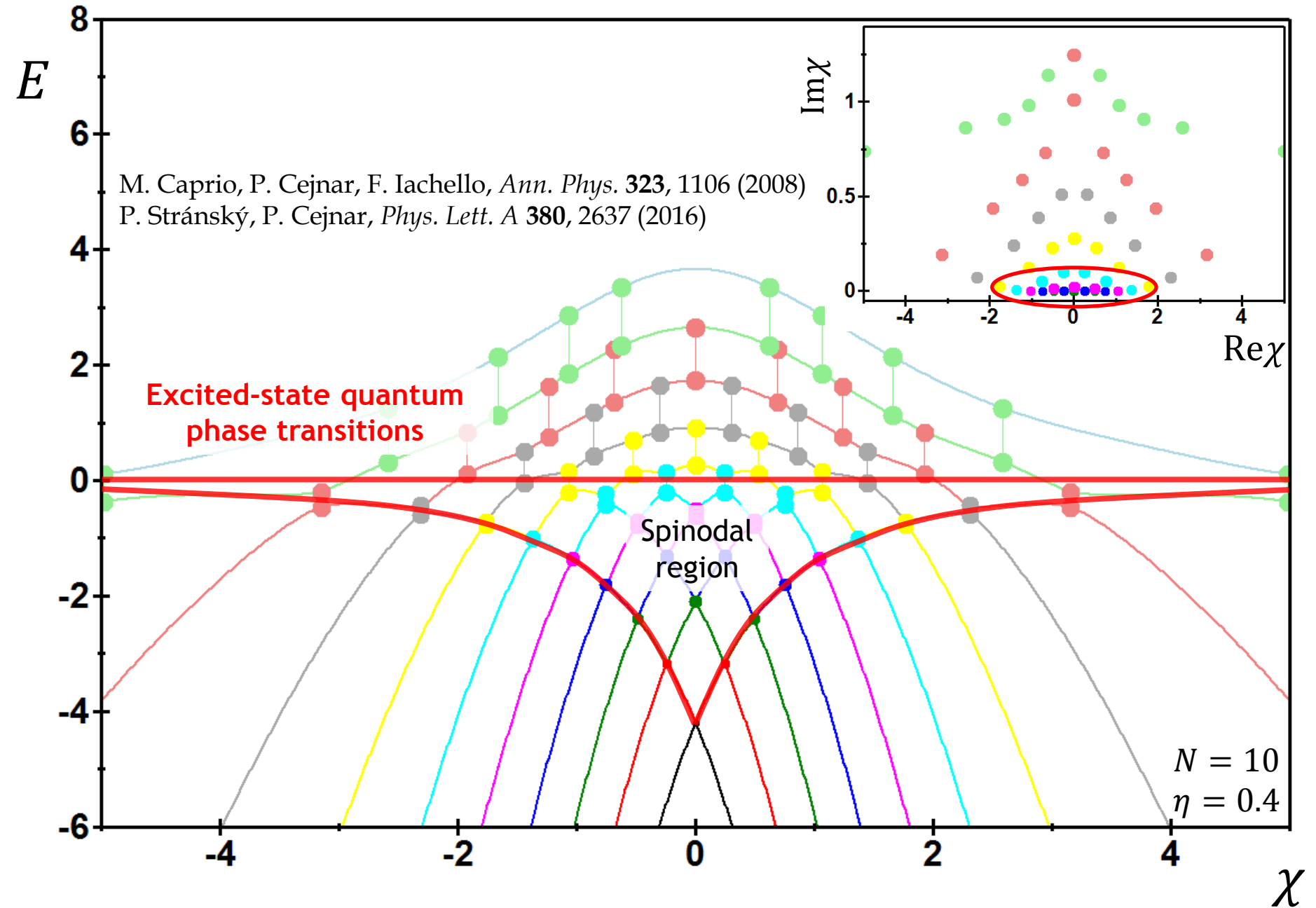
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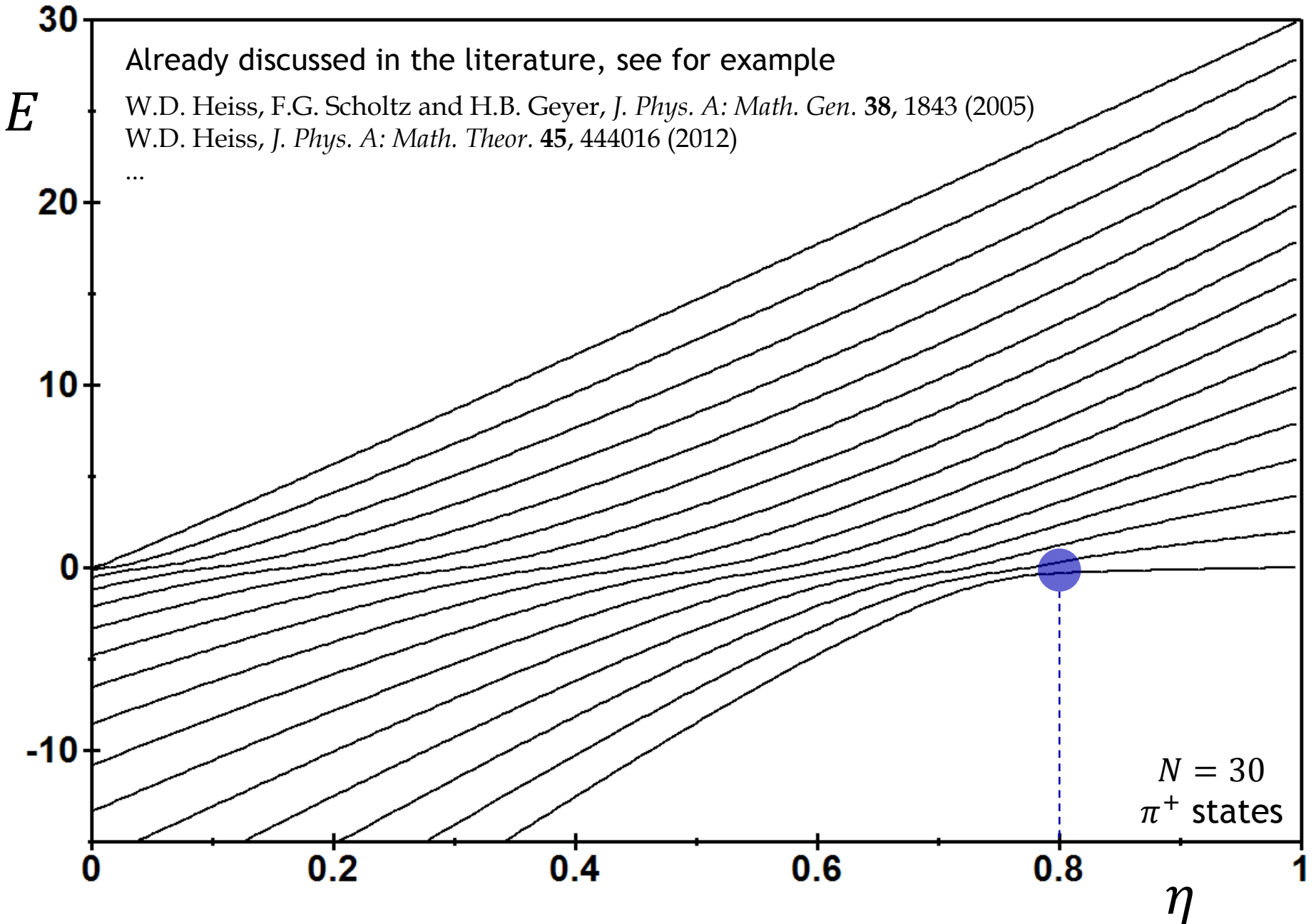
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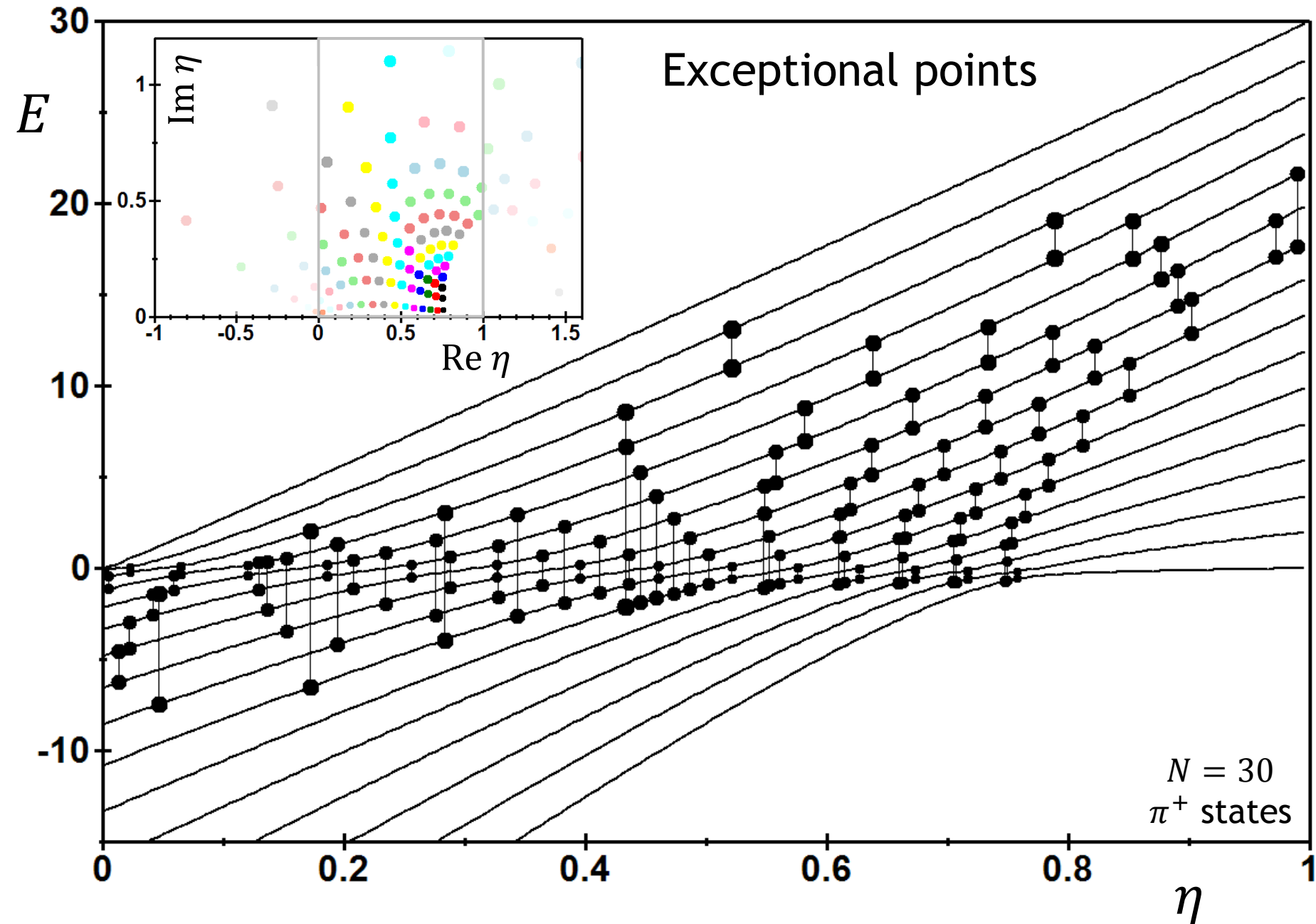
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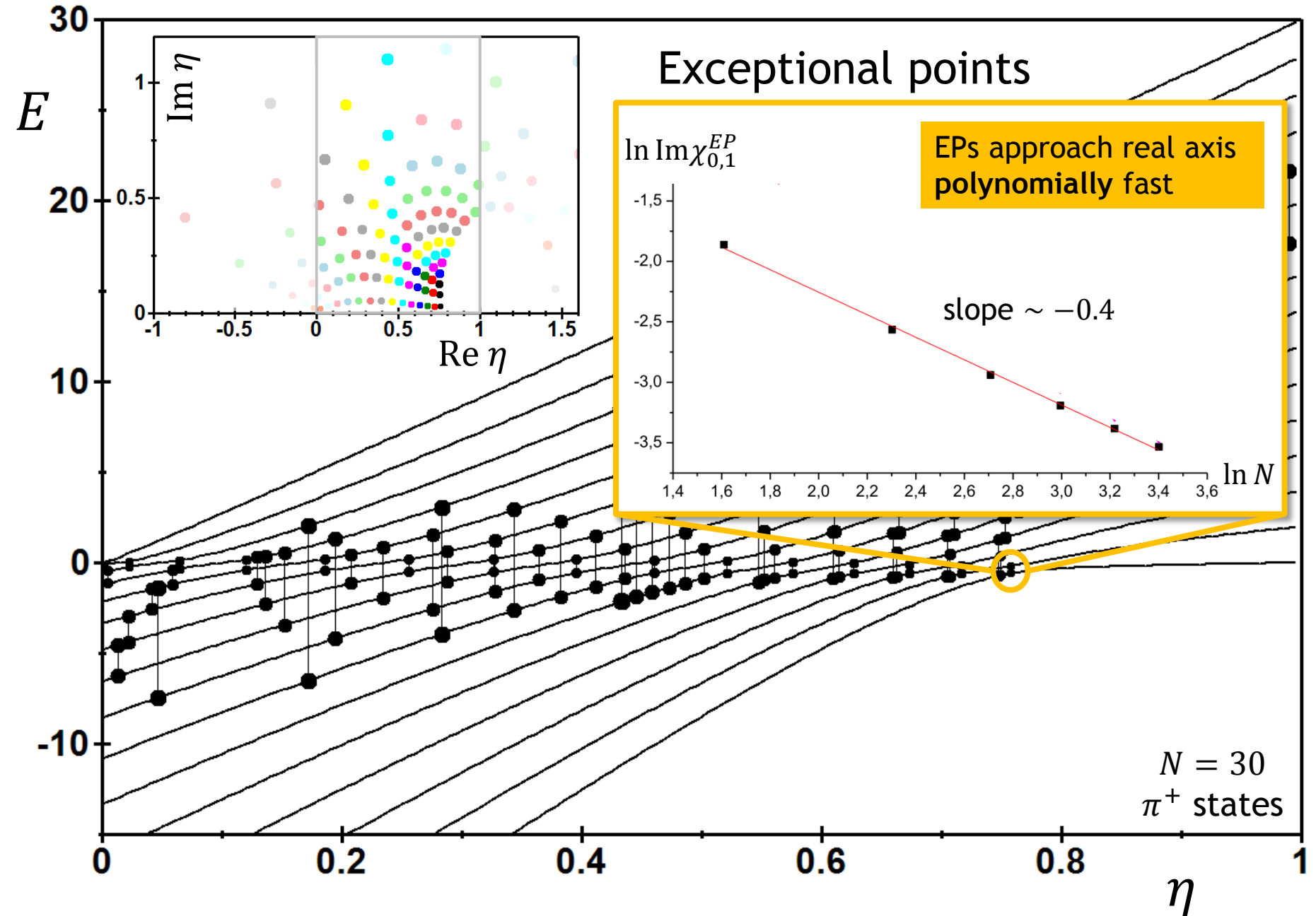
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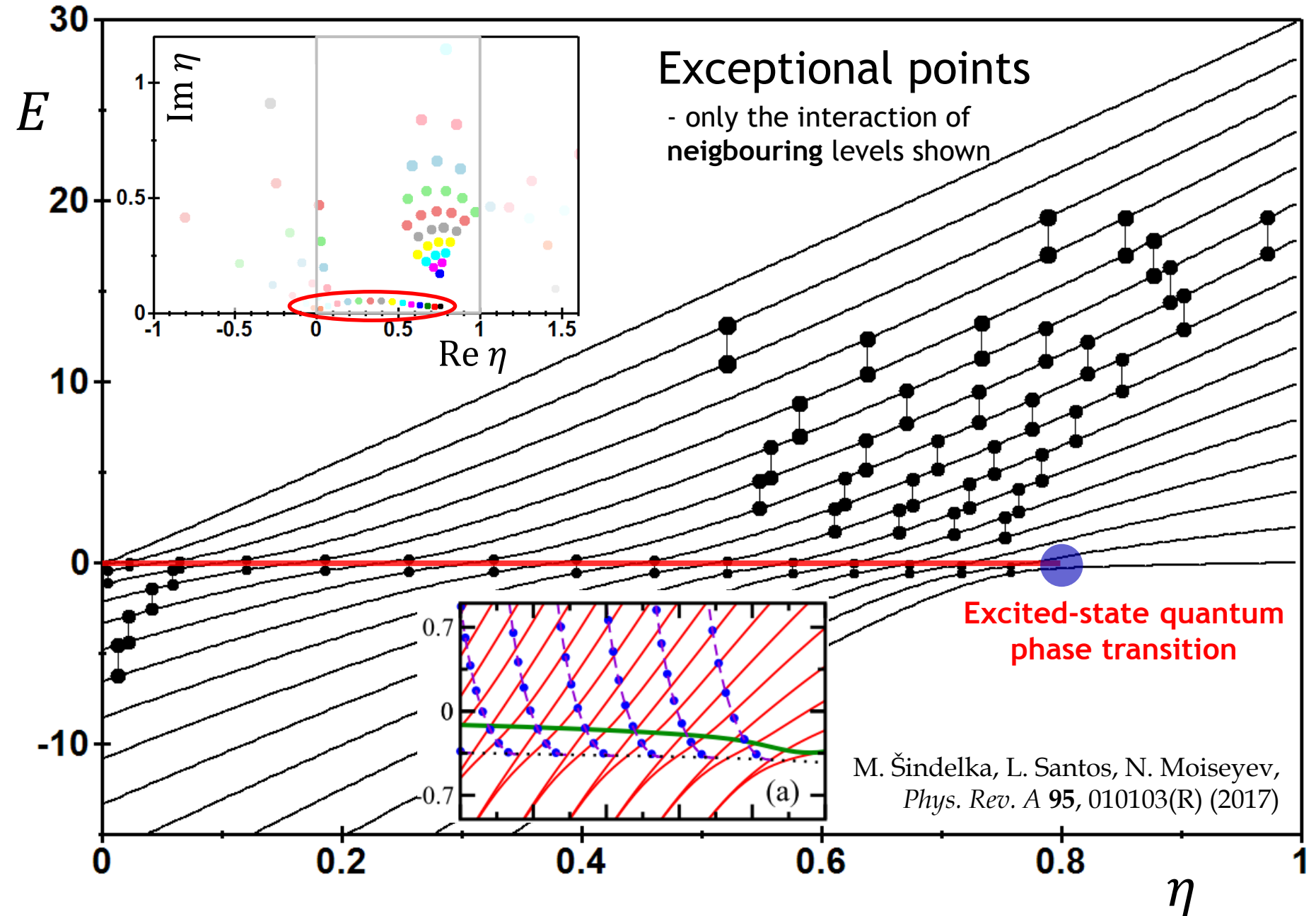
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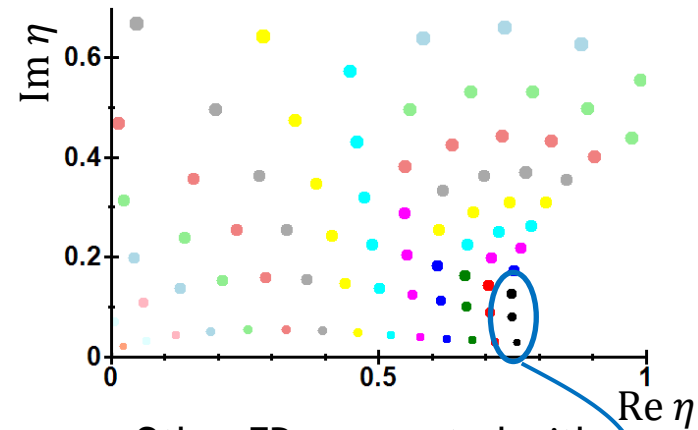
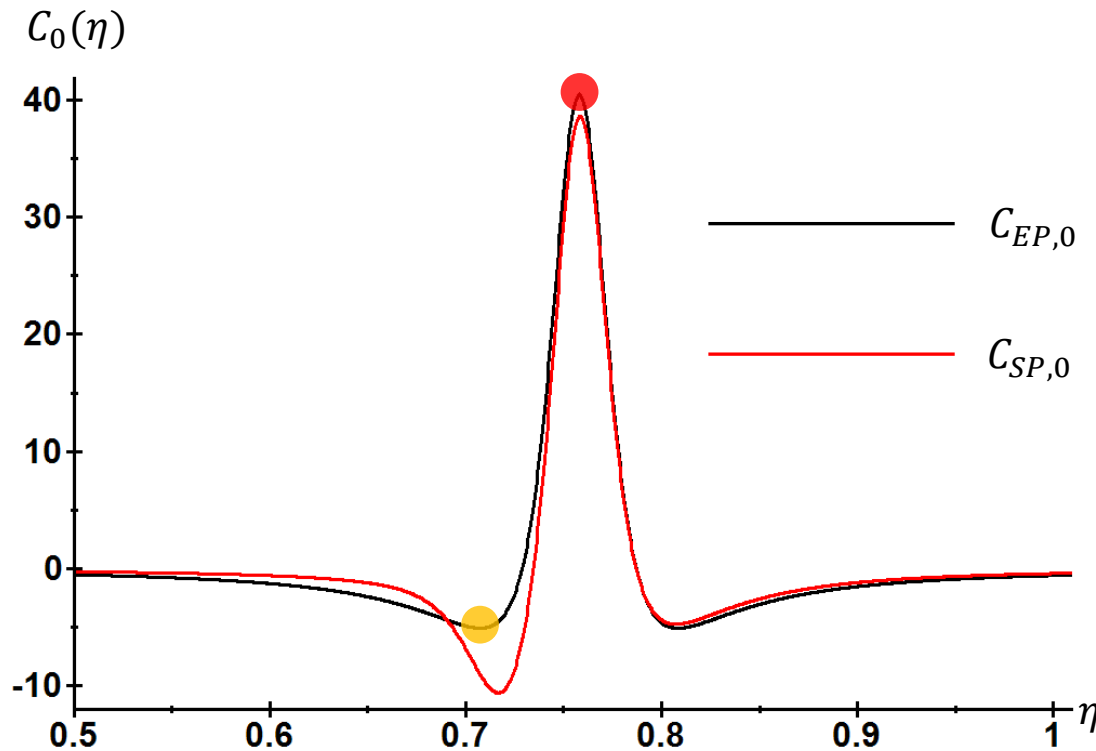
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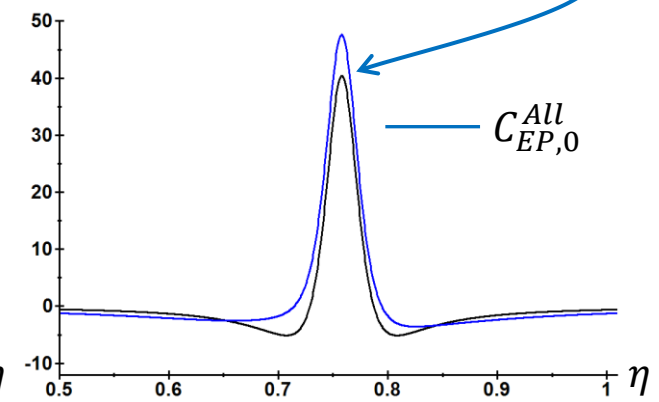
2nd order QPT



Specific heat analogy



Other EPs connected with the ground state included



Latent heat analogy

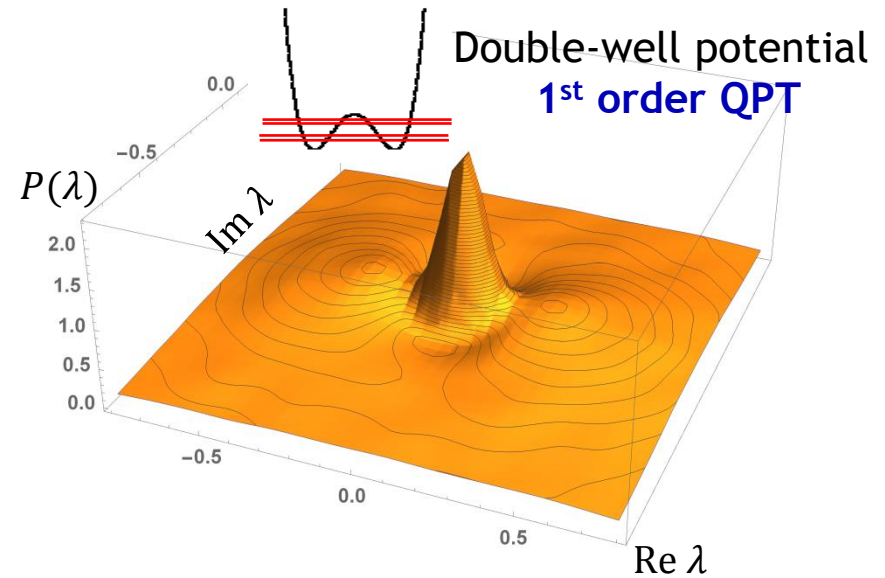
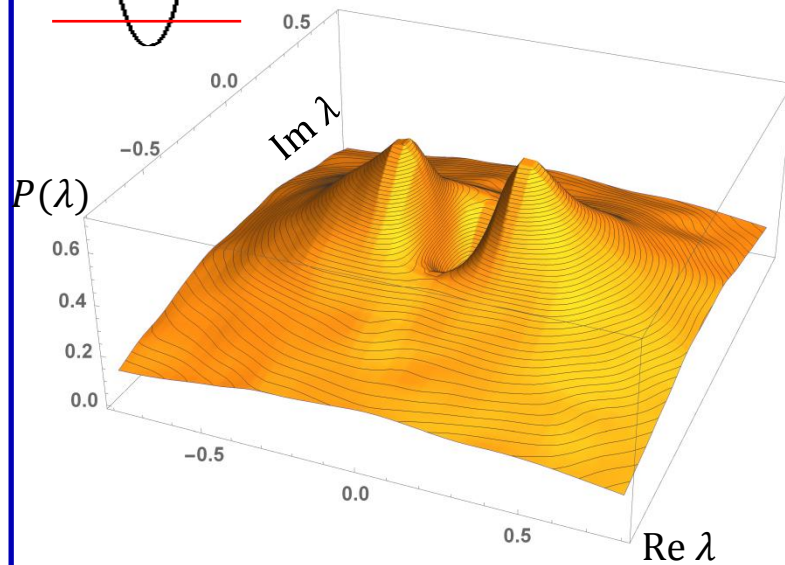
- approximated by $Q \approx \chi_{min} * C_{max} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2(N-1)} \frac{1}{Im \chi_{0,1}^{EP}} \sim \frac{N^{0.4}}{N} \rightarrow 0$

Random perturbation at a critical point

$$H = H_c + \lambda H_{\text{GOE}}$$



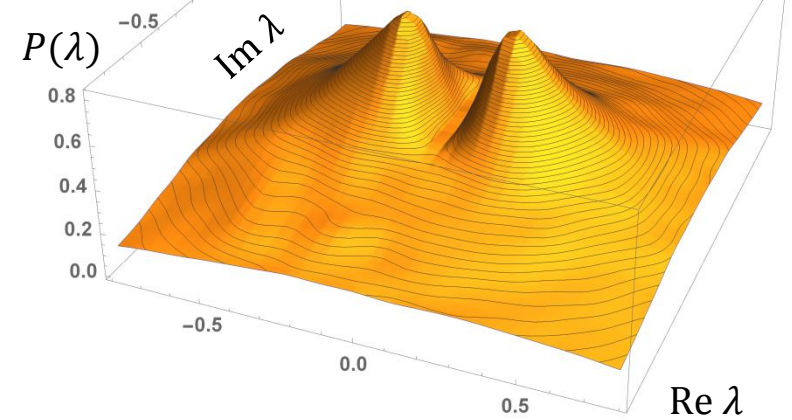
Harmonic oscillator



Double-well potential
1st order QPT



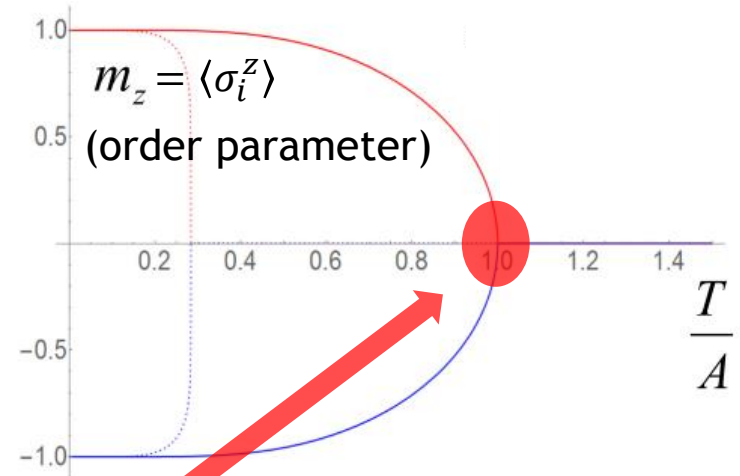
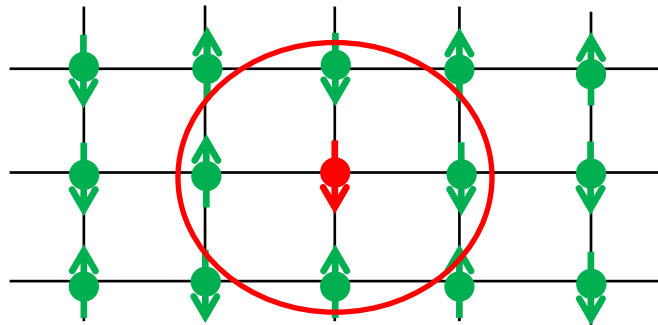
Quartic potential
2nd order QPT



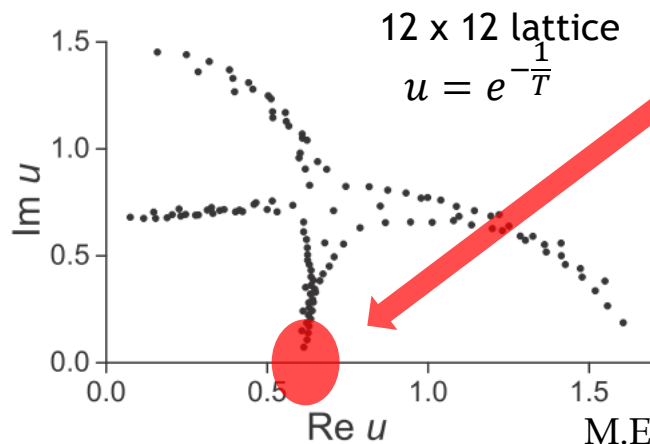
M.R. Zirnbauer, J.J.M. Verbaarschot, H.A. Weidenmüller, *Nucl. Phys.* **A411**, 161 (1983)

Thermal phase transitions

Example: 2D Ising model $H = -\frac{A}{2} \sum_{\{ij\}} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$



Extended into the complex plane $Z(T)$ can vanish - **Yang-Lee zeros**



Their approaching the real axis in the TD limit indicates a TD phase transition.

T.D. Lee, C.N. Yang, *Phys. Rev.* **87**, 410 (1952)

M.E. Fischer, *Lecture Notes in Theoretical Physics* **7C**, 1 (1965)

2D electrostatics of EPs

Resultant

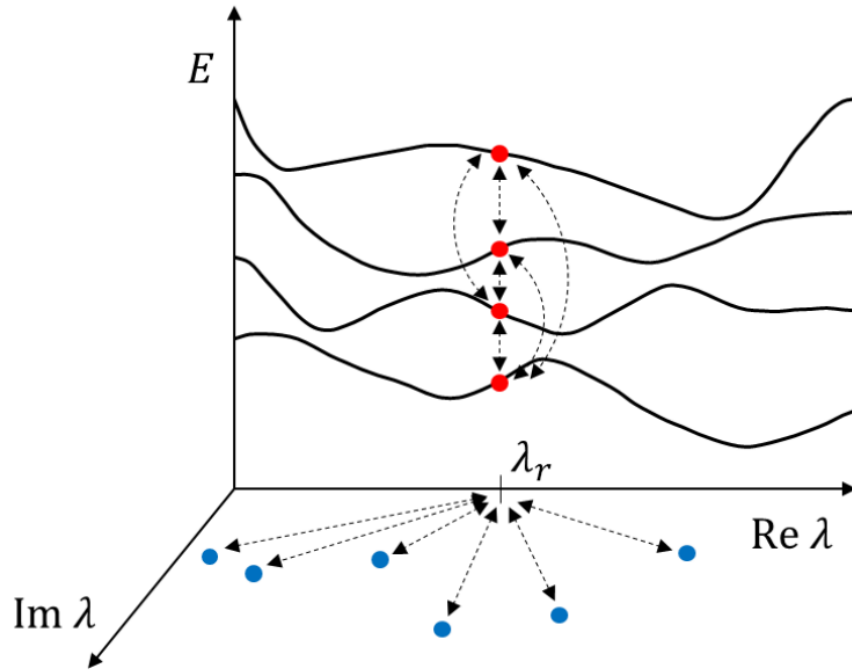
$$R(\lambda) = \prod_{i < j} [E_i(\lambda) - E_j(\lambda)]^2 = a \prod_{k=1}^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2}} (\lambda - \lambda_k^{EP})(\lambda - \bar{\lambda}_k^{EP})$$

$$U_{SP}(\lambda_R) = -\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i < j} \ln |E_i(\lambda_R) - E_j(\lambda_R)|$$

Coulomb energy of charges placed on energy levels at a given λ_R on the real axis

$$U_{EP}(\lambda_R) = -\frac{\ln a}{2(N-1)} - \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2}} \ln R_k(\lambda_R)$$

(Shifted) Coulomb potential at the point λ_R from charges placed in the EPs



Partial resultant

$$R_j^a(\lambda) = \prod_{i \neq j} [E_i(\lambda) - E_j(\lambda)]$$

$$R_j^b(\lambda) = a \prod_{k \neq j} (\lambda - \lambda_{k,j}^{EP})(\lambda - \bar{\lambda}_{k,j}^{EP})$$

(Product over EPs on k -th Riemann sheet)

Open question: Relation between $R_j^a(\lambda)$ and $R_j^b(\lambda)$?

Thermal PT



Quantum PT

Yang-Lee zeros of the partition function

Zeros of the resultant
(non-Hermitian degeneracies)

Partition function $Z(T) = \sum_i e^{-\frac{E_i}{T}}$

Partial resultant

$$R_j(\lambda) = \prod_{i \neq j} [E_i(\lambda) - E_j(\lambda)]^2$$

Free energy $F(T) = -T \ln Z(T)$

Coulomb energy $U_j(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{\Omega} \ln R_j(\lambda)$

Specific heat $C(T) = -T \frac{\partial^2 F(T)}{\partial T^2}$

$$C_j(\lambda) = -\frac{\partial^2 U_j(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda^2}$$

Latent heat $Q(T) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{T-\epsilon}^{T+\epsilon} C(T') dT'$

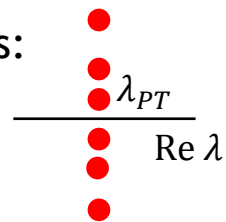
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Order of the PT is given by the **density of zeros** in the vicinity of the real axis:

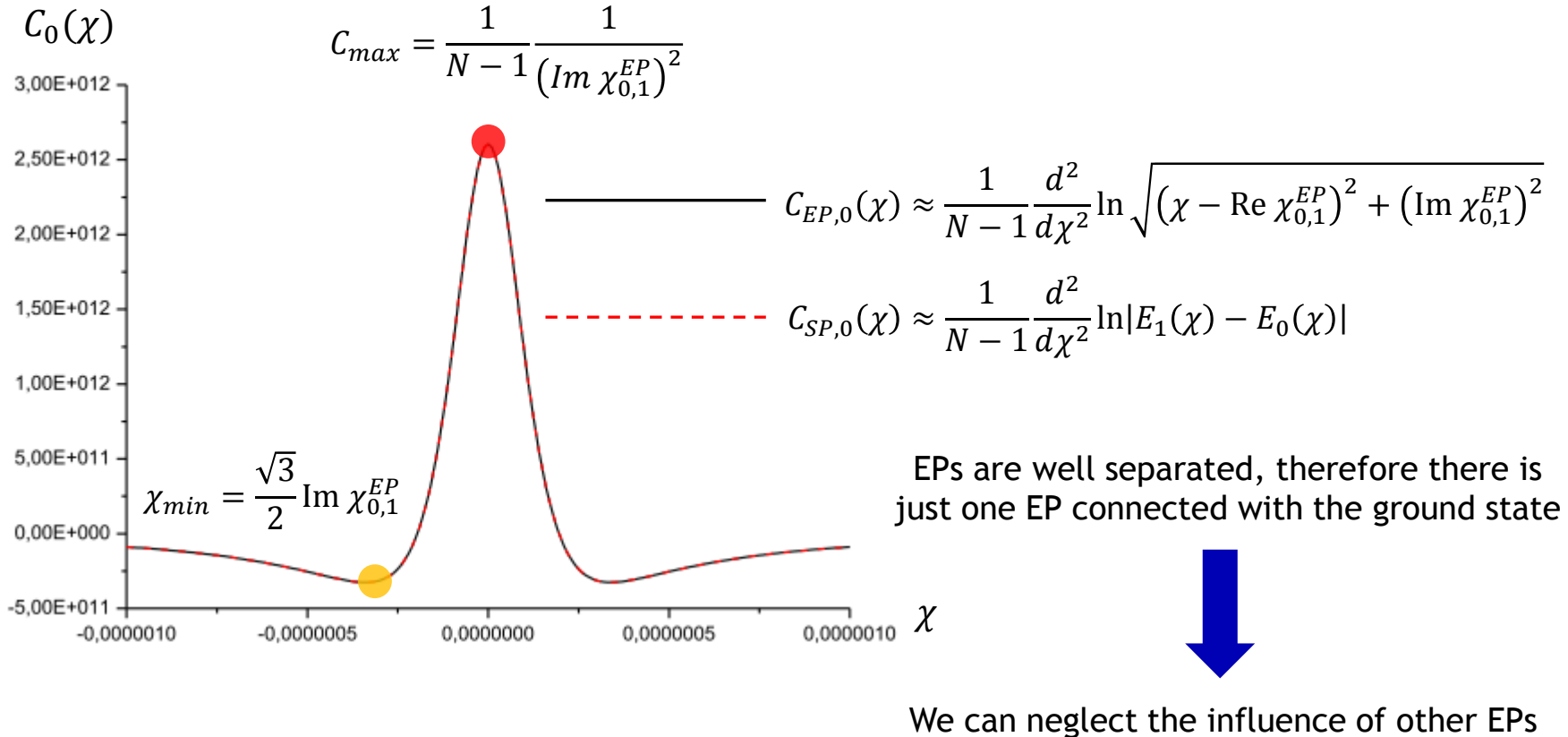
$$\rho^{EP} \propto (\text{Im } \lambda)^\alpha$$

$\alpha = 0$ - 1st order

$0 < \alpha < 1$ - 2nd order



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