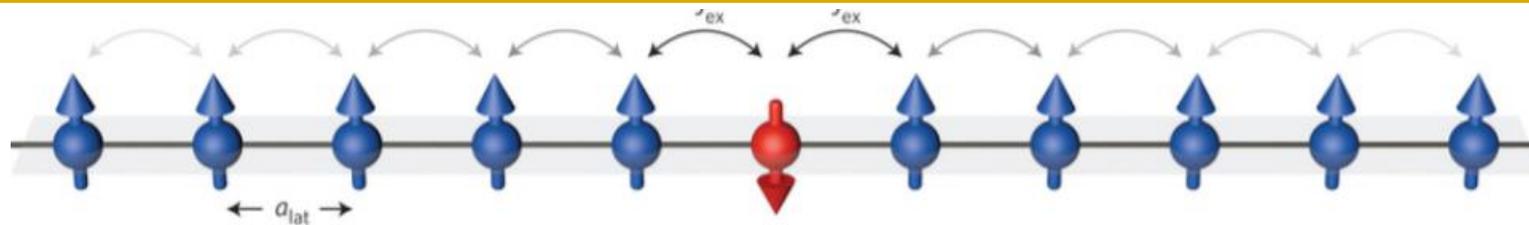


# Quantum Chaos in Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ Chain

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# Goals

- What is quantum chaos? How could we describe it?
- How could different spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  chains lead to different properties, and different types of chaotic/nonchaotic systems?

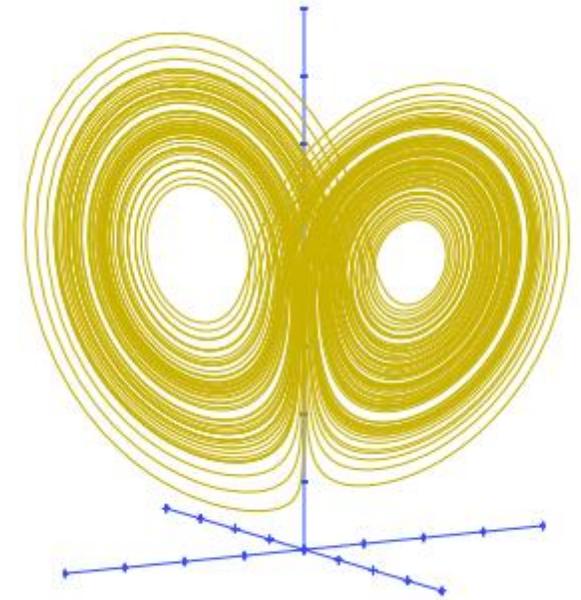
# What is chaos?

*“When the present determines the future, but the approximate present does not approximately determine the future.”*

——Edward Lorenz

Deterministic randomness:

- Fully deterministic dynamics;
- Unpredictable future;
- Exponentially sensitive to initial conditions.



# Classic & Quantum Chaos

## Classic

Nonlinearity in dynamics

Continuous phase space: trajectory  
sensitive to initial conditions

Nonintegrable; ergodic

## Quantum

Schrödinger equation: linear

Hilbert space;  
Discrete energy levels

What is quantum integrability?

# Quantum Signature of Chaos: Sensitivity

Initial condition in quantum system: a vector in Hilbert space

How to measure sensitivity to initial conditions:

- Rate of spread of an initial wave packet
- Overlap between two slightly different initial vectors

$$|\langle \psi(t) | \psi(0) \rangle|^2$$

Quantum fidelity:

- Indicator of sensitivity to small perturbations

$$\mathcal{O}(t) = |\langle \psi(t) | \psi'(t) \rangle|^2$$

$$H \qquad H + \delta H(t)$$

# Quantum Signature of Chaos: Level spacing distribution

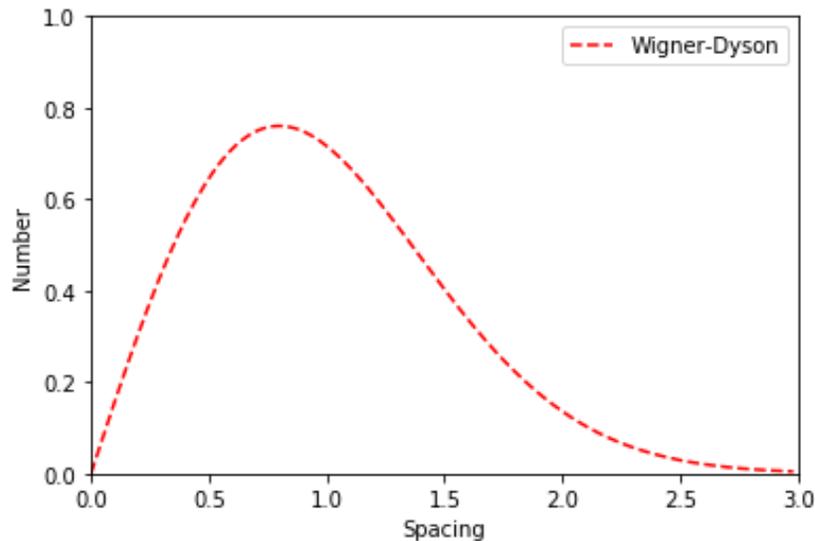
## Wigner-Dyson

$$P(s) = \frac{\pi s}{2} e^{-\pi s^2/4.0}$$

Nonintegrable

Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble

Energy levels repulsion



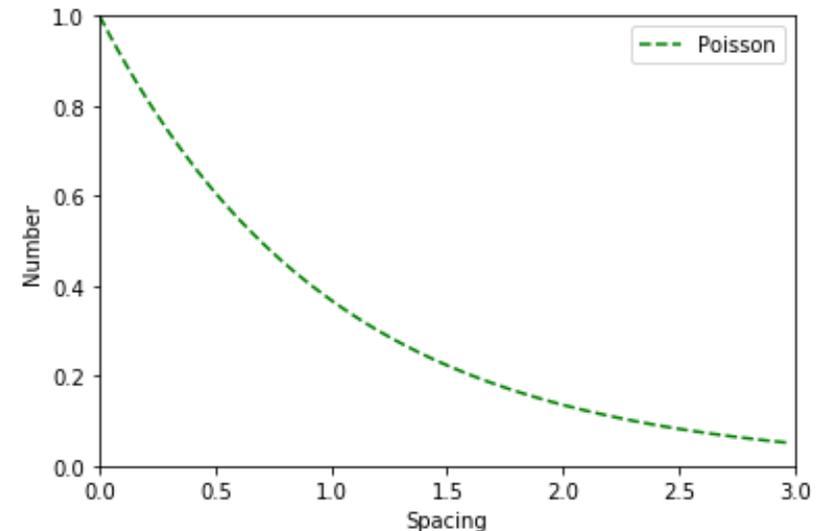
## Poissonian

$$P(s) = e^{-s}$$

Integrable

Spatially uncorrelated

Energy levels clustering



# Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ Chain: Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{i \in [1, L]} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_{i+1} - h_i S_i^z$$

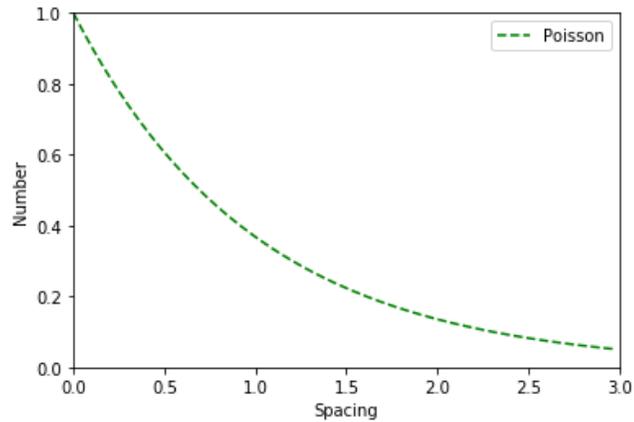
Heisenberg Interaction Model

Different Zeeman Splitting  
(Defect site)

With defects, spin chain will exhibit two different phases: many-body localized phase (nonchaotic) and ergodic phase (chaotic).

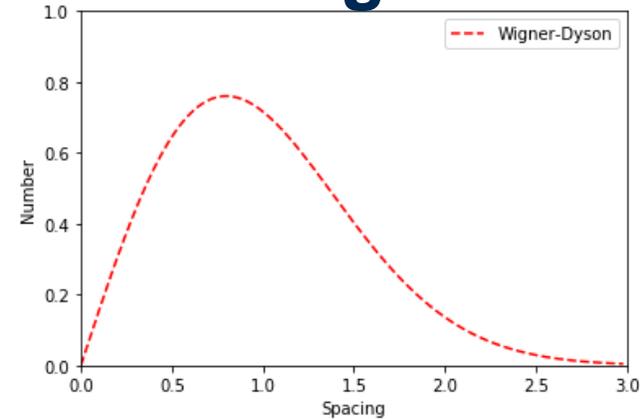
# Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ Chain: MBL and Ergodic Phase

## MBL



Localized: energy exchange not efficiently  
Uncorrelated: energy level clustering  
Integrable, not ergodic  
Nonchaotic

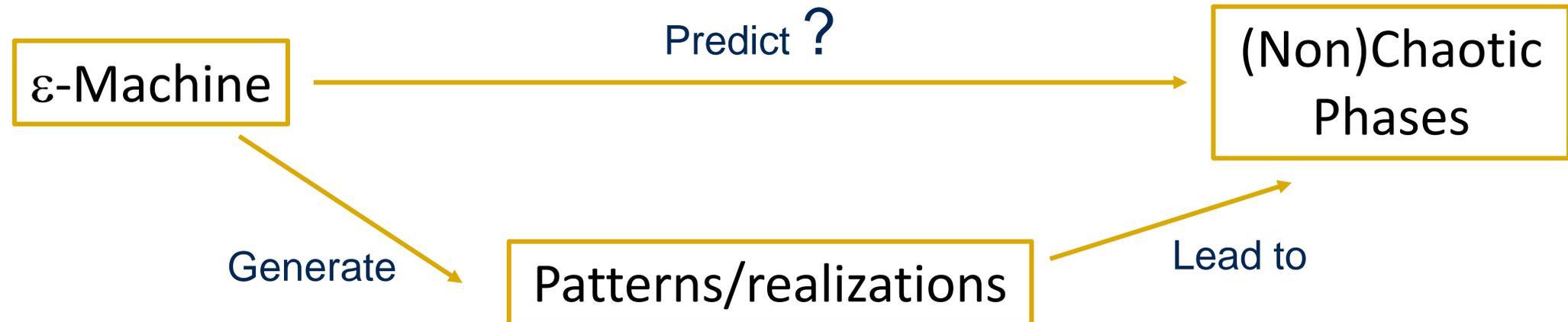
## Ergodic



Thermalized: delocalized, energy exchange efficiently  
Correlated: energy level repulsion  
Nonintegrable, ergodic  
Chaotic

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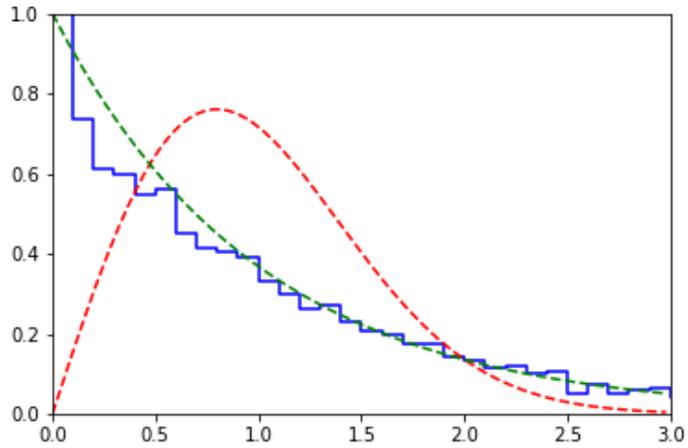
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  - Partly solved  $\checkmark$
- How could different types of spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  chain lead to different properties, and different types of chaotic/nonchaotic systems?



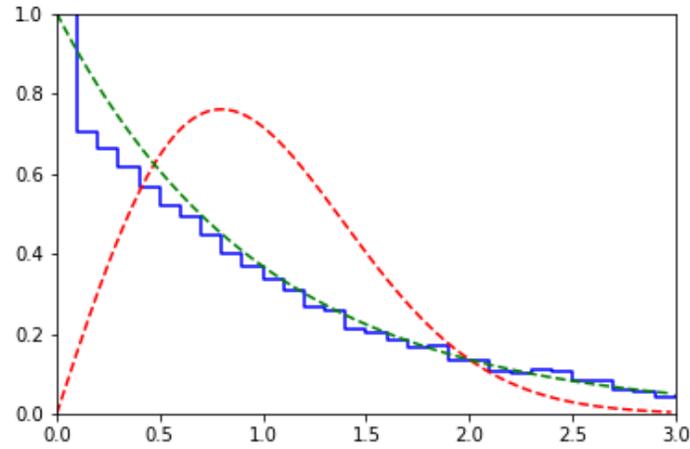
# Methods

- Heisenberg model (XXX), Nearest-Neighbor approximation, Open boundary condition
- System size:  $L = 15$  or  $16$  (biggest number my computer could handle)
- Up-spins : Down-spins =  $1:1$  (half-half) or  $1:2$  (one-third)
- Machines: Biased Coin (Noisy), GoldenMean, Even
- Calculate five realizations for each machine then average

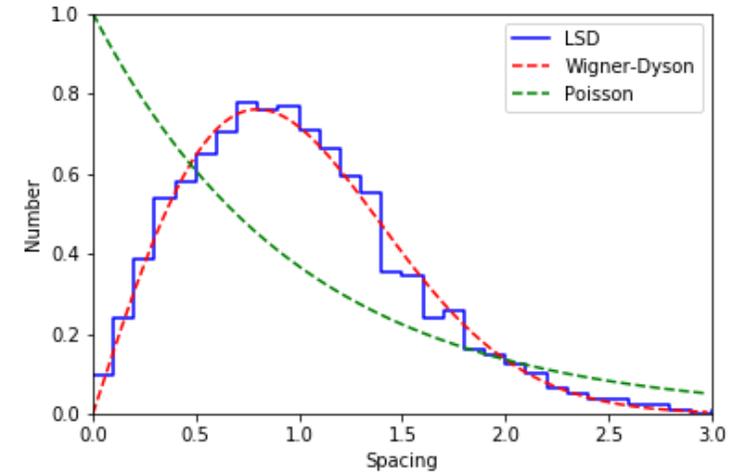
# Simple realizations



8:8, no defect  
Poissonian,  
nonchaotic

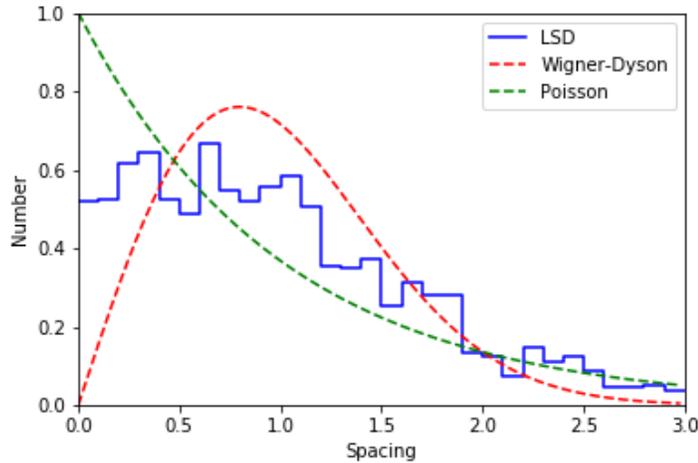


8:8, defect at  
1<sup>st</sup> site  
Poissonian,  
nonchaotic



8:8, defect at  
middle  
Wigner-Dyson,  
chaotic

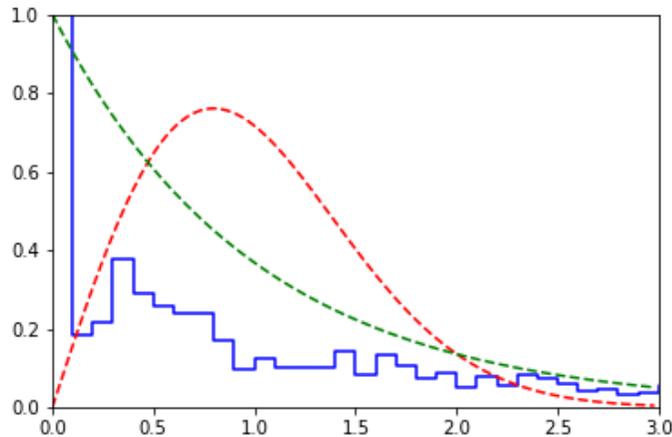
# Finite size effect



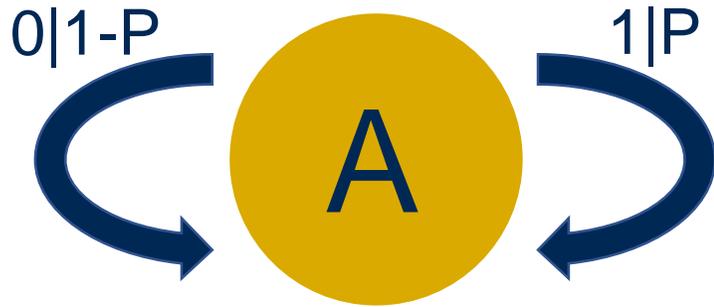
Finite size: phase transition begins gradually instead of abruptly

Introduce deviation: sum of distance from Poisson distribution at each sample point (bigger  $\rightarrow$  chaotic)

$$\sum (P(S_i) - e^{-S_i})^2 / e^{-S_i}$$

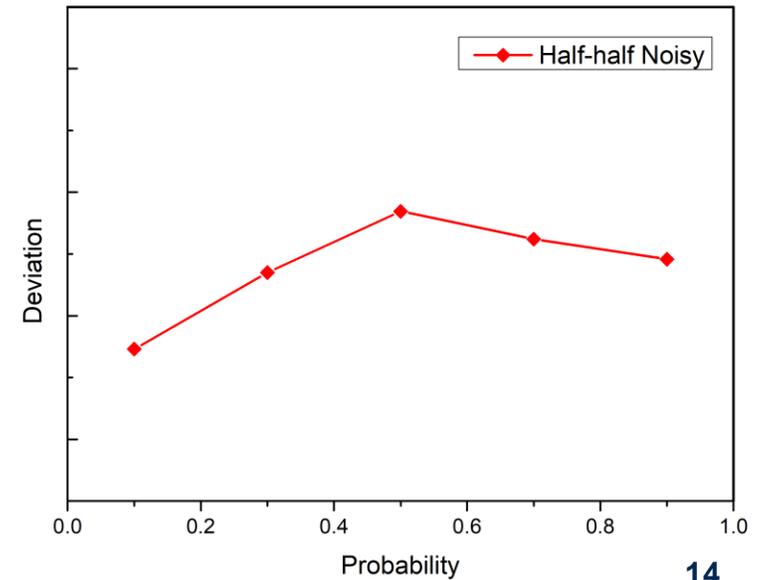
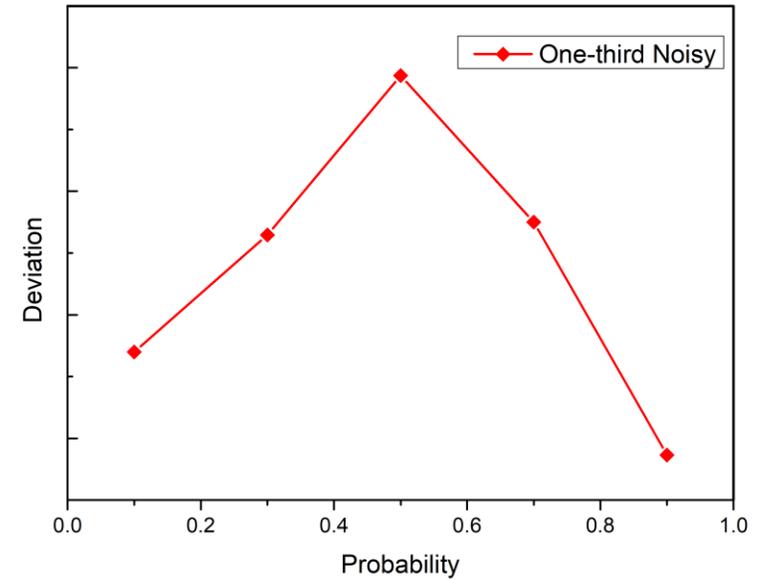


# Biased Coin (Noisy)



P: probability of defect at each site

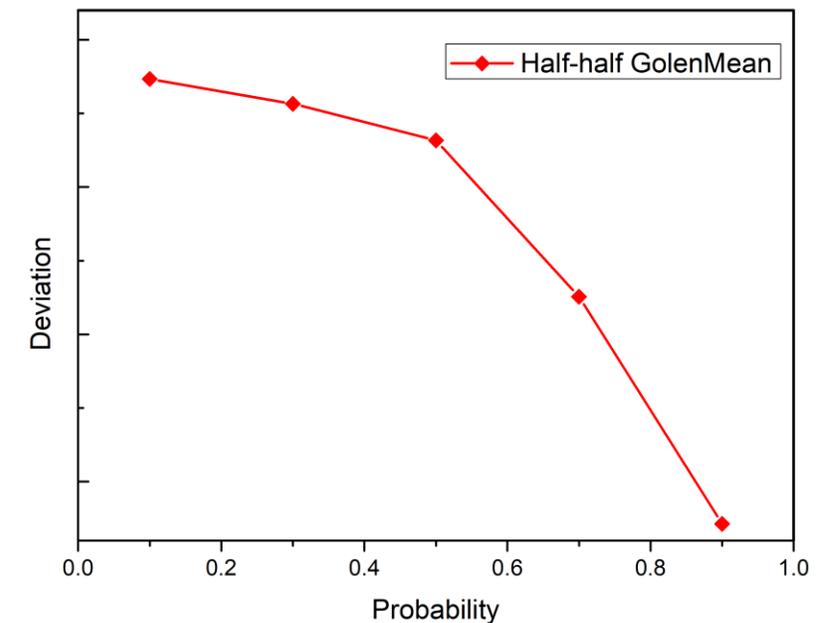
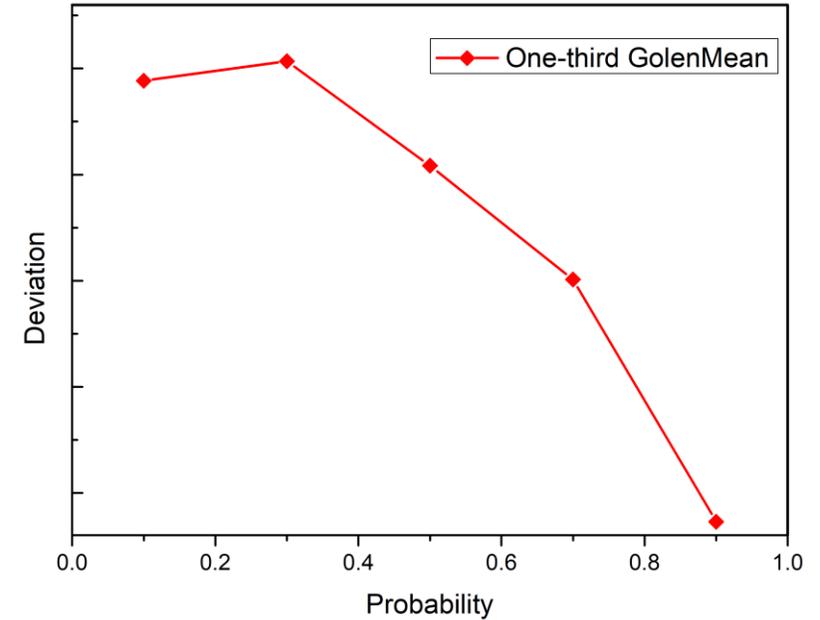
Most chaotic at  $P = 0.5$



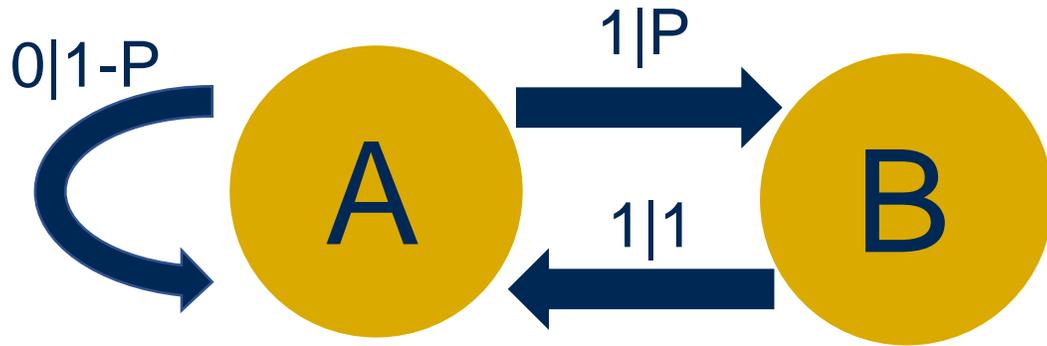
# GoldenMean



Bigger  $P$ , more occurrence of 01 pairs: symmetry!



# Even



Most nonchaotic at middle:

Finite size effect?

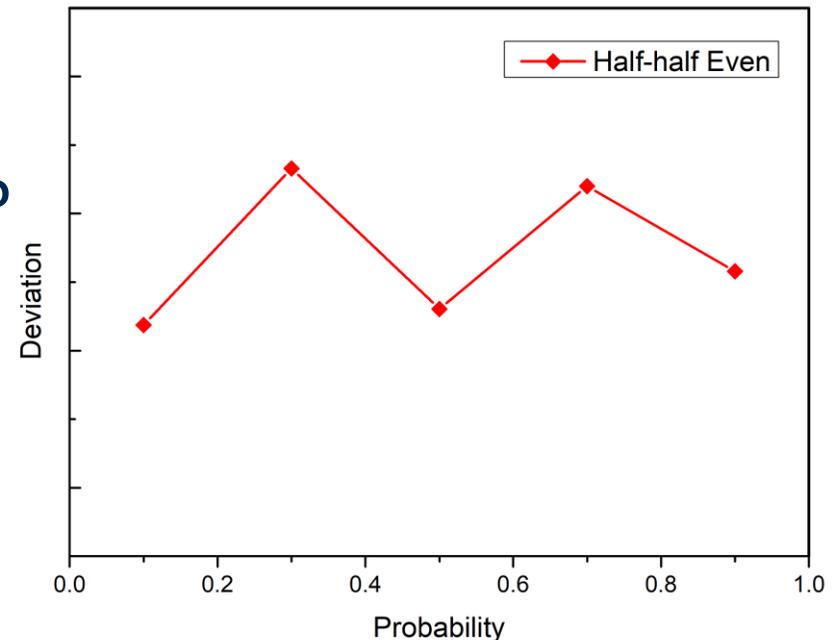
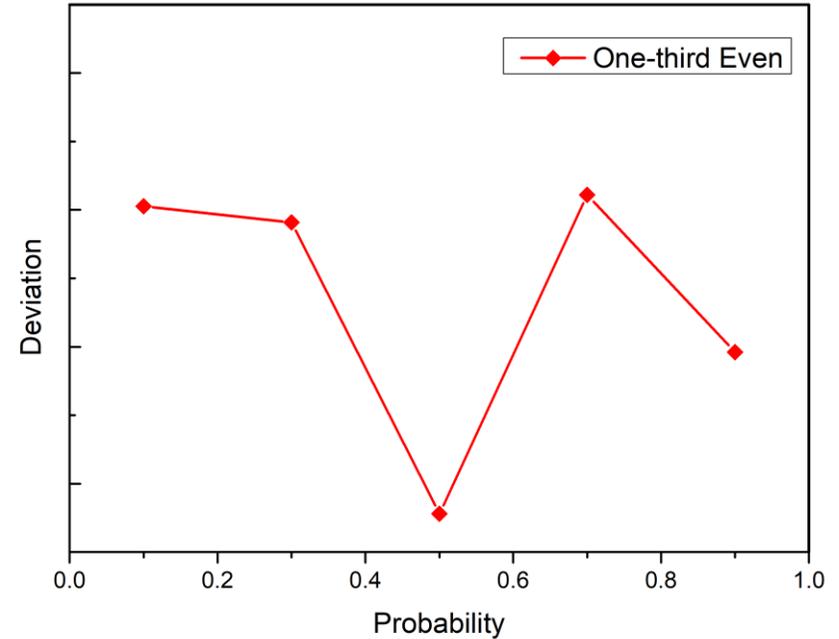
Certain occurrences of 11 could localize more?

Eg.

[1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1]

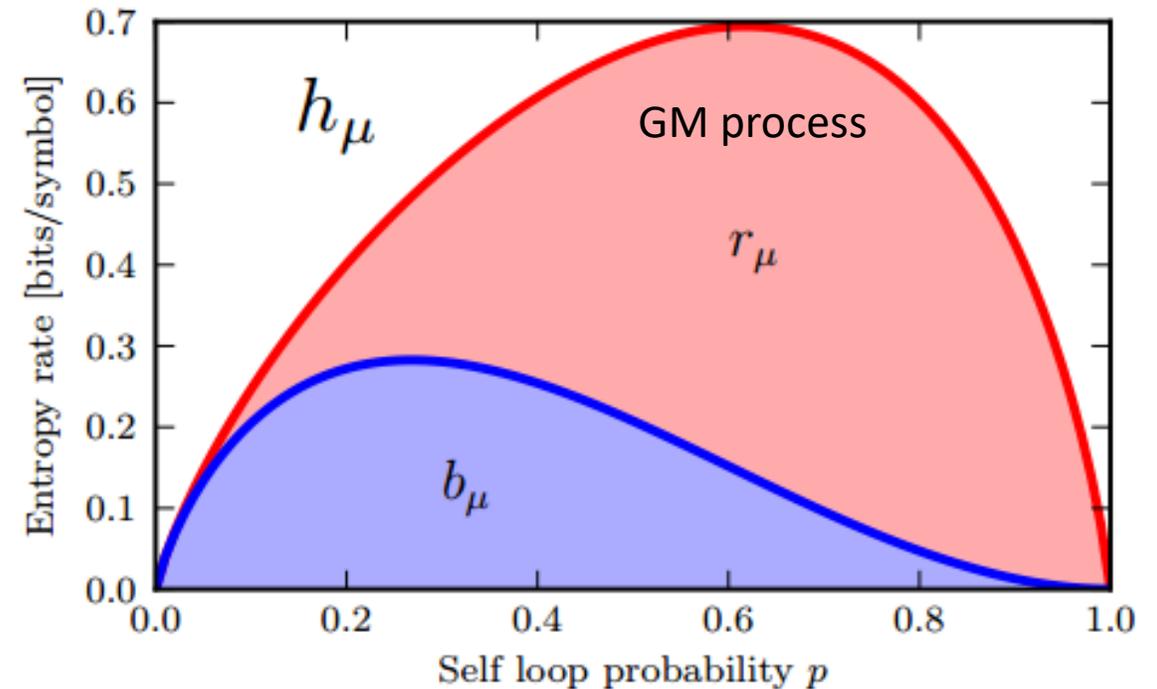
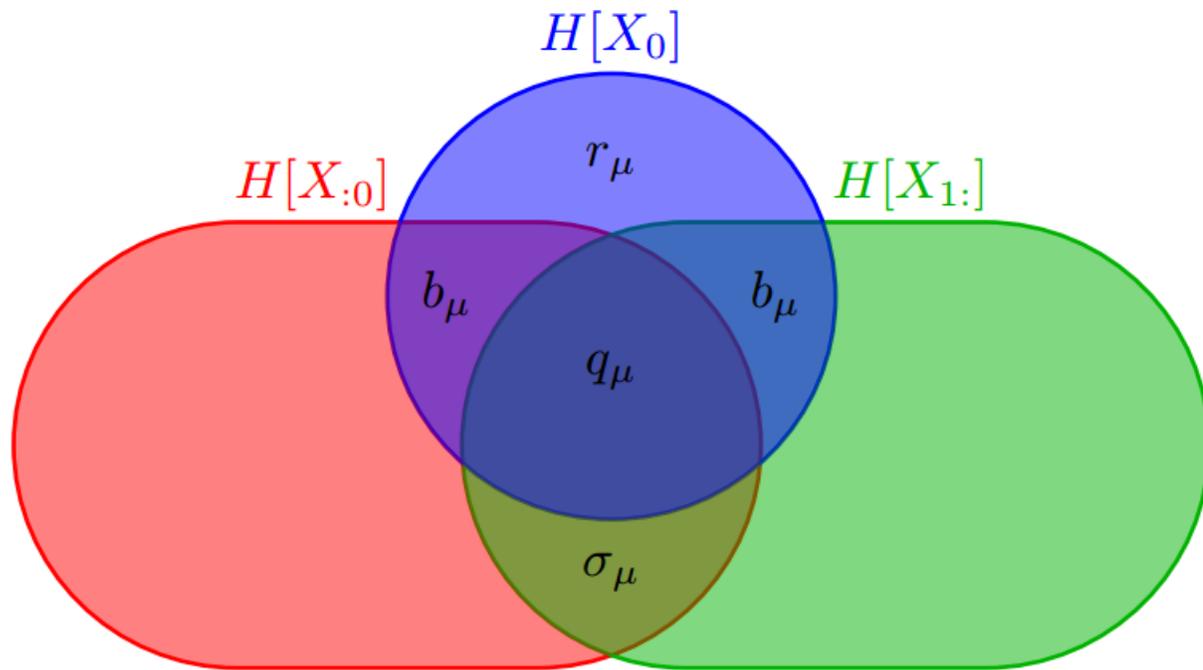
[1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1]

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# Prospective

- Different machines lead to different phases: how to describe it?
- GM and Even: different decompositions of information lead to different phase?



# Thank you!

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Any questions?