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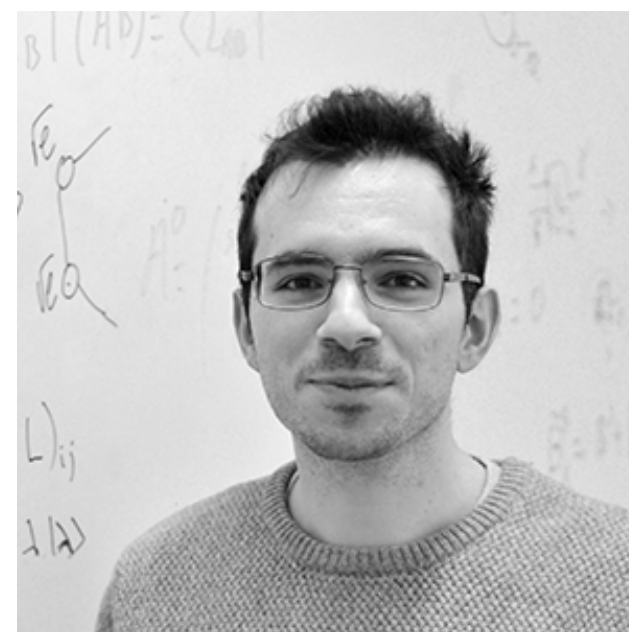
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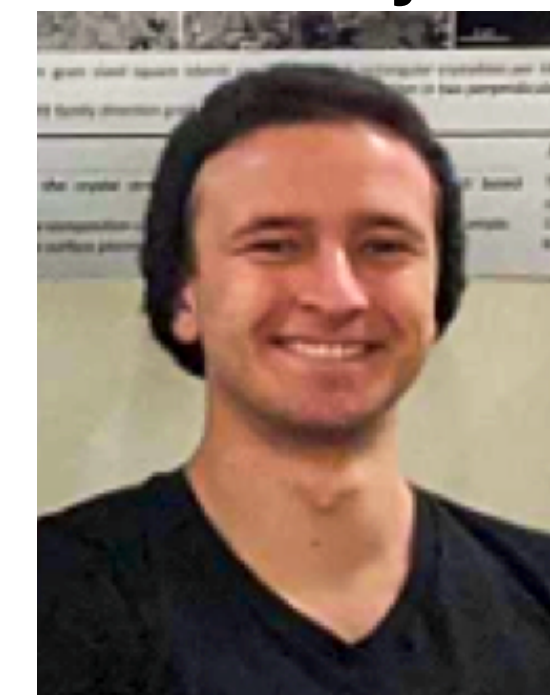
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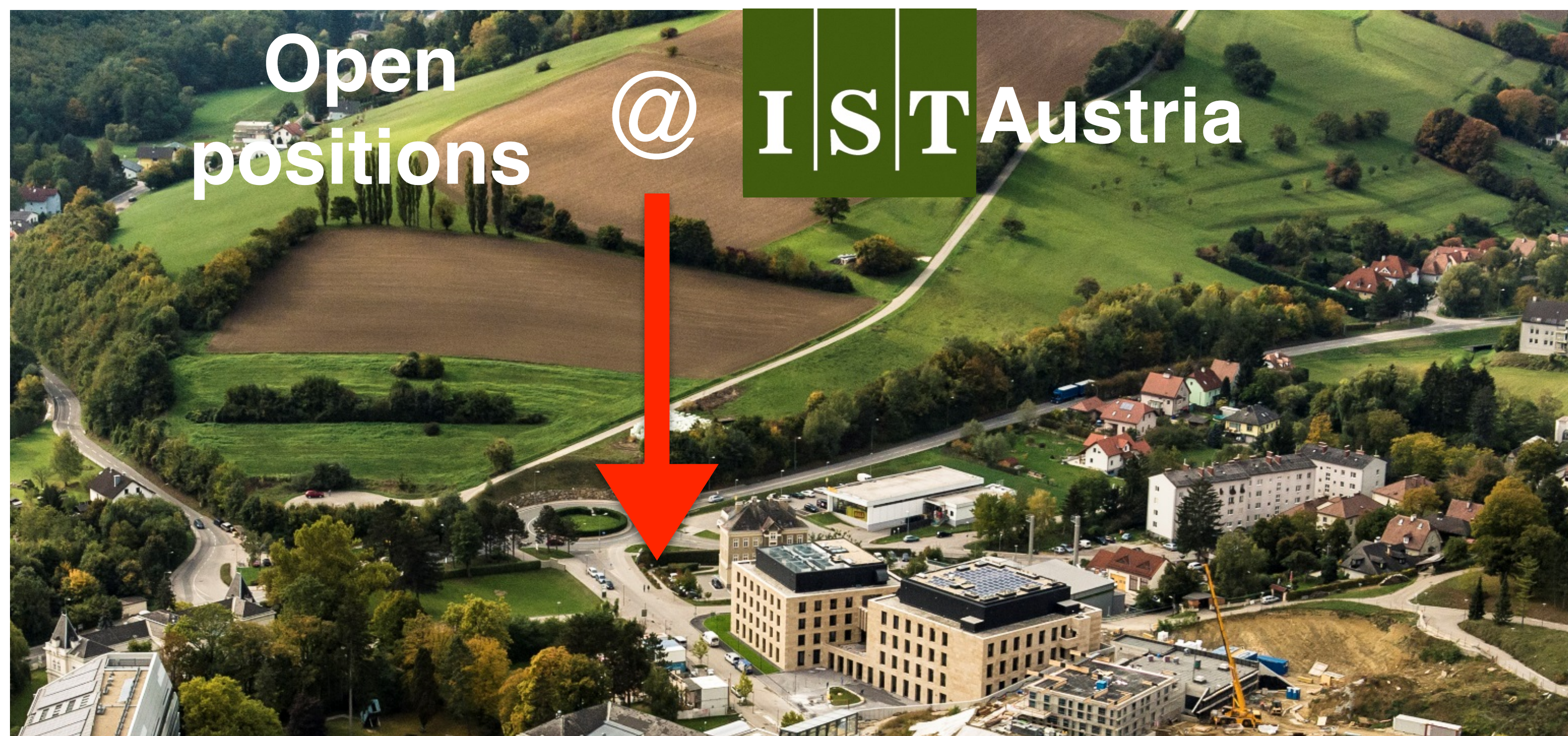
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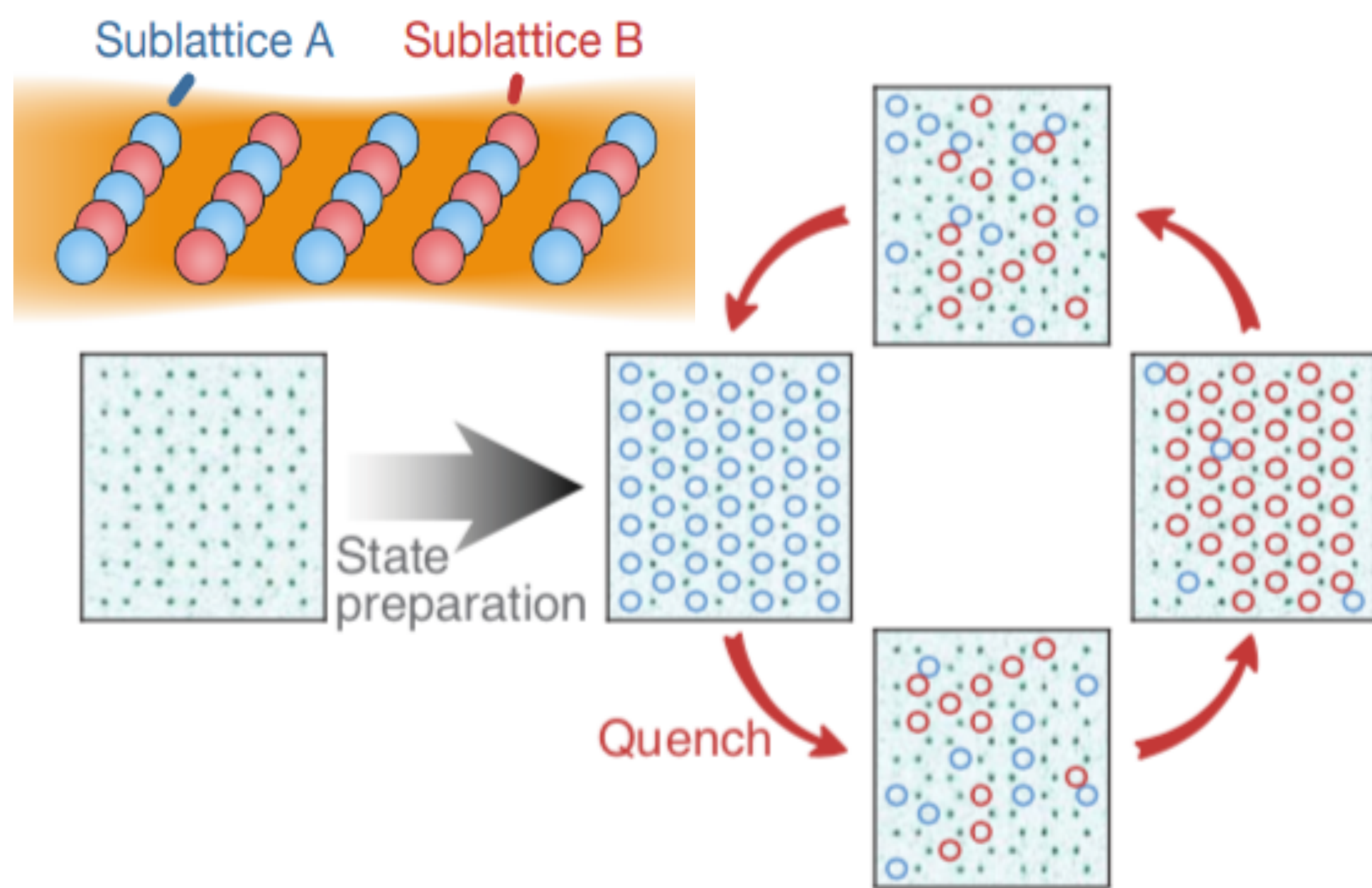
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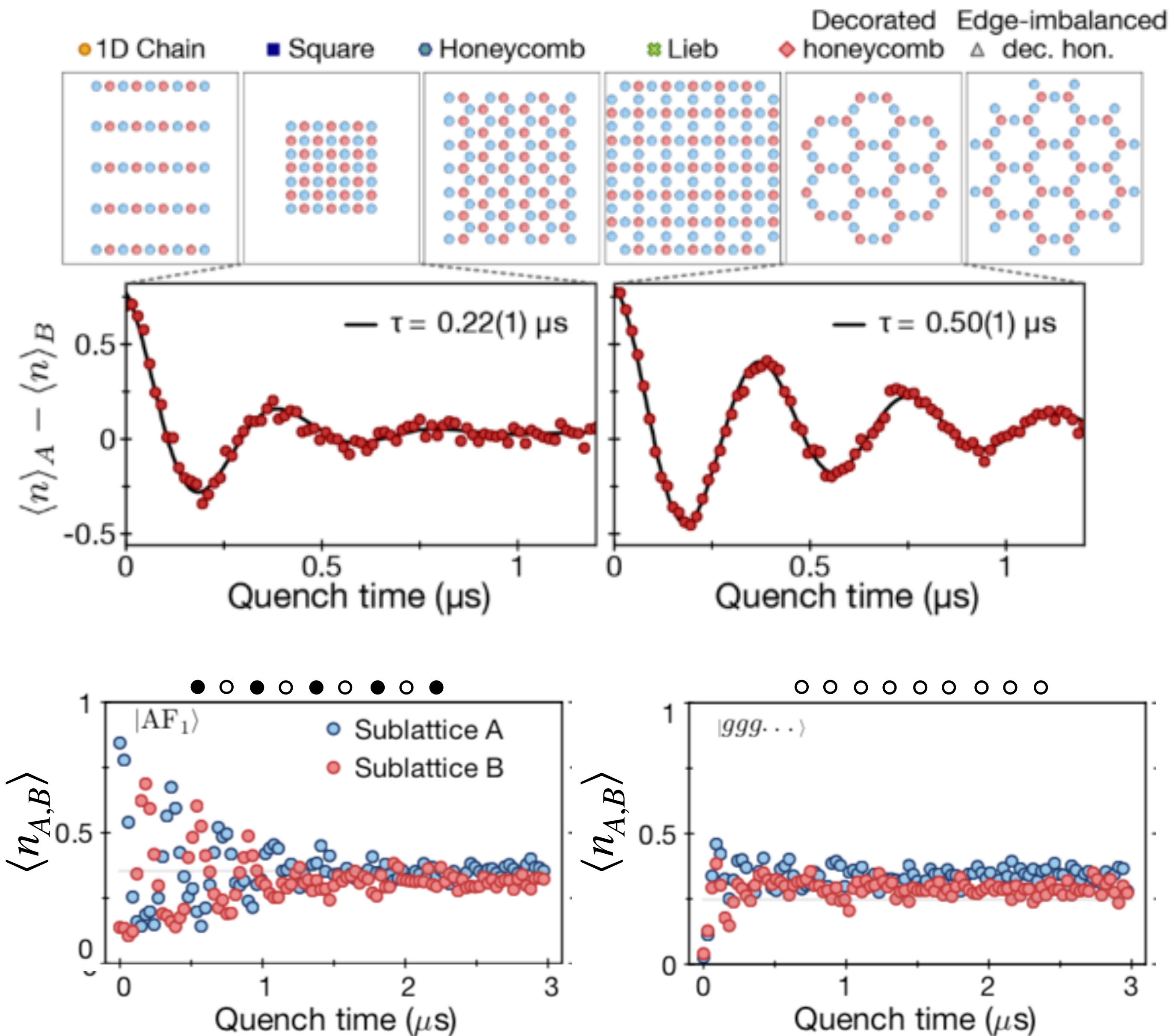
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Phenomenology of scars: experimental data



[Bluvstein et al, Science 2021]



Puzzles:

- (i) oscillations from highly excited state $T = \infty$
- (ii) atypicality between different initial states

Fidelity revivals in projected Hilbert space

$$V_{nnn} \ll \Omega \ll V_{nn}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \Omega(t) \sum_i \sigma_x^{(i)} - \Delta(t) \sum_i n_i + \sum_{i < j} V_{ij} n_i n_j$$

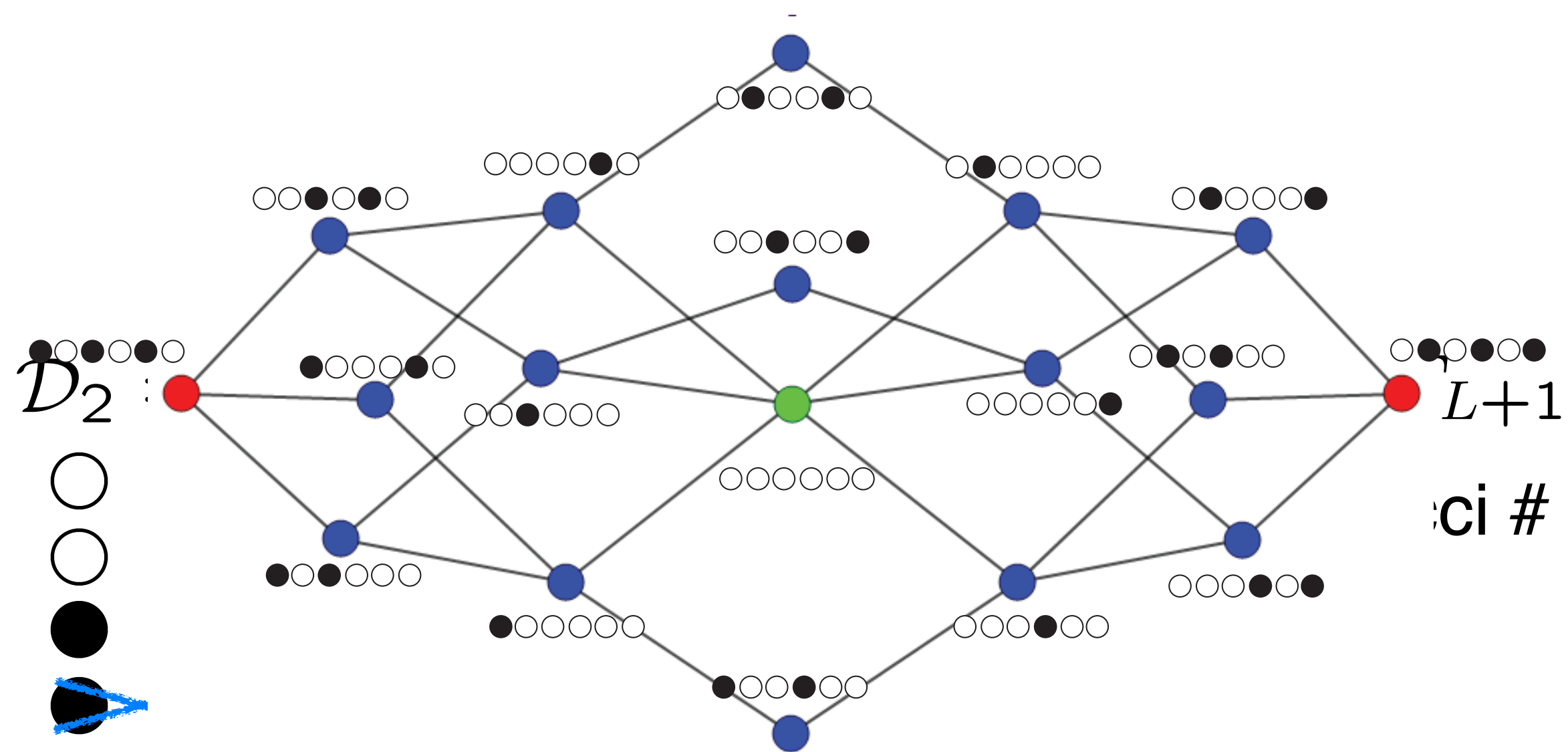
PXP Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \Omega \sum_i P_{i-1} \sigma_i^x P_{i+1} - \Delta \sum_i n_i + O(\Omega^2 / V_{nn}) + O(V_{nnn})$$

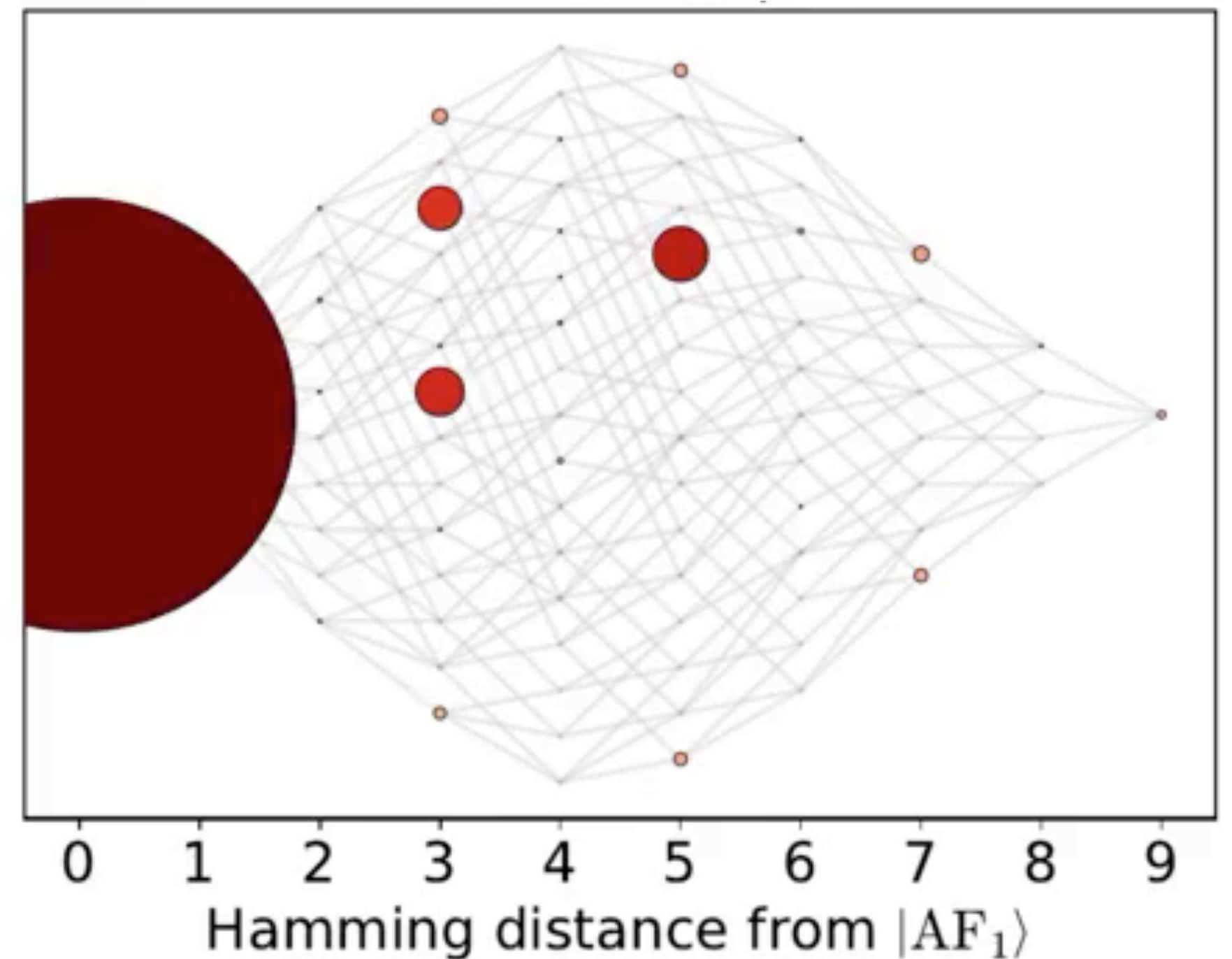
[Fendley, Sengupta, Sachdev, PRB'04]

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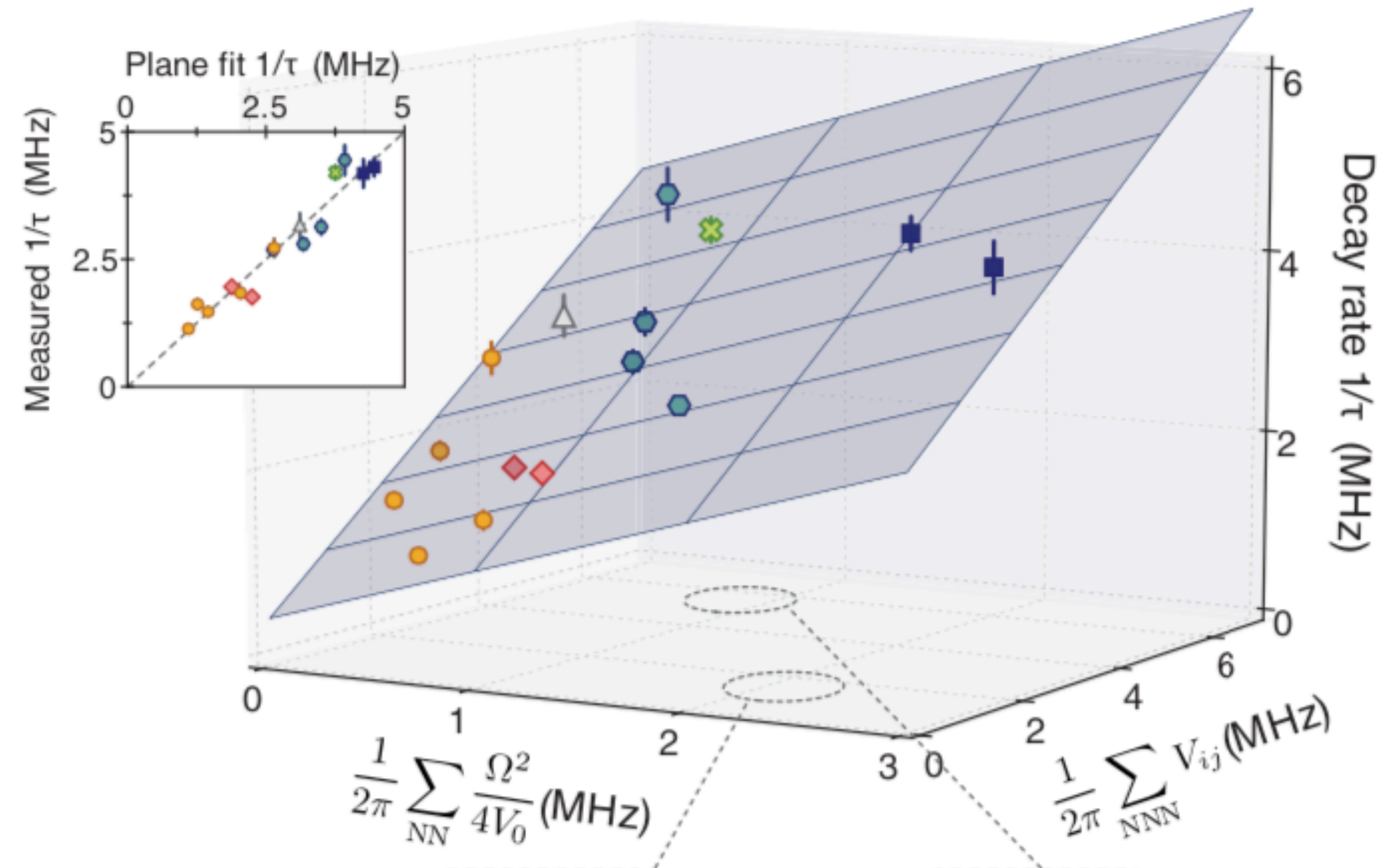
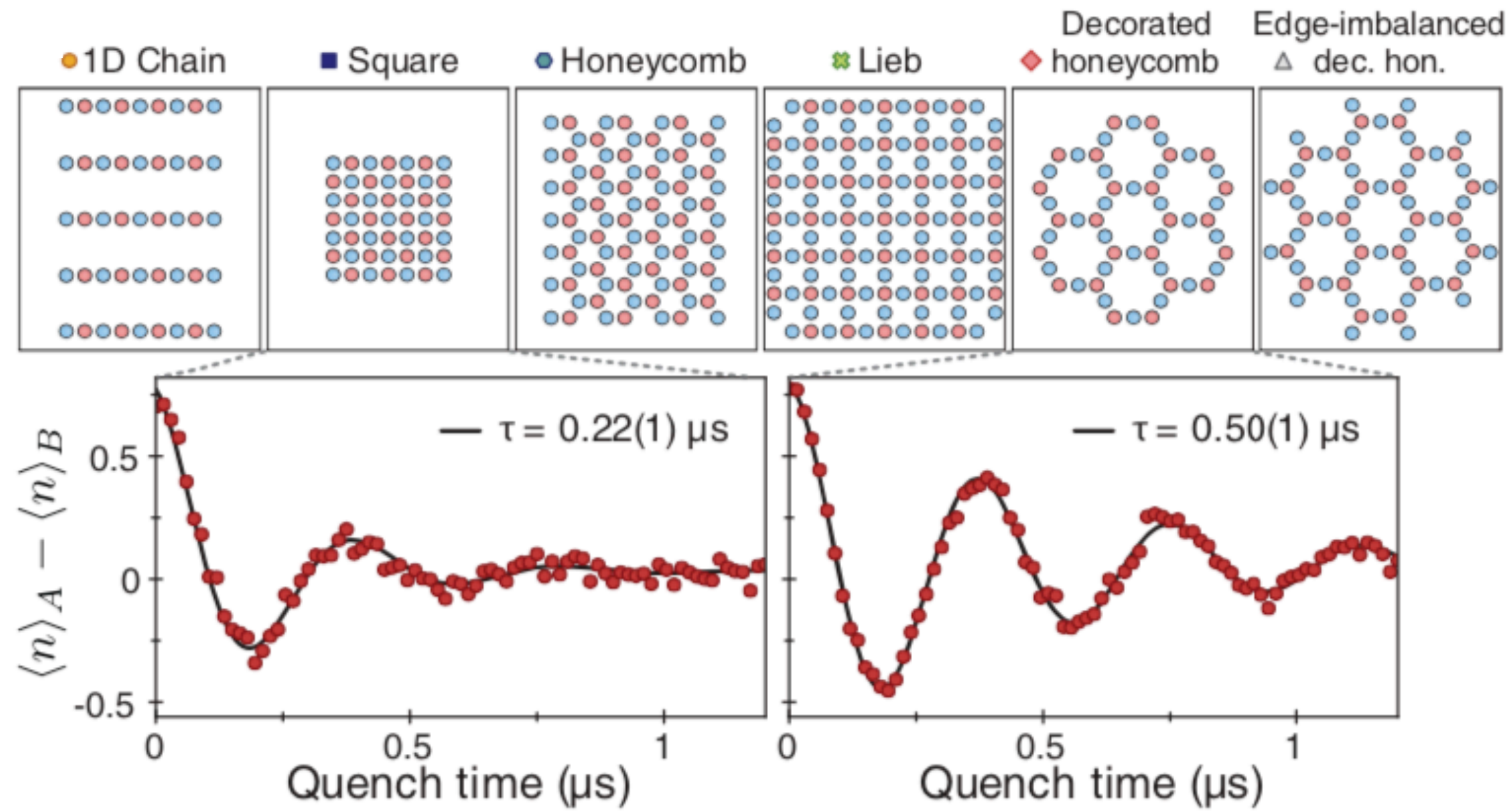
$L = 9, \mathcal{D} = 89$, experiment



Puzzle: full many-body state revivals!



Experiments: limit on scar lifetime



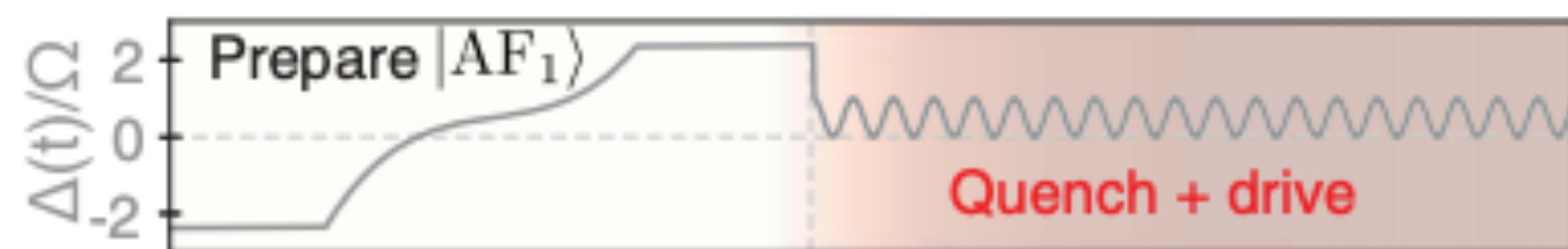
$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \Omega(t) \sum_i \sigma_x^{(i)} - \Delta(t) \sum_i n_i + \sum_{i<j} V_{ij} n_i n_j$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \alpha \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{NN} \frac{\Omega^2}{4V_0} \right) + \beta \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{NNN} V_{ij} \right) + \frac{1}{\tau_0}$$

Limit on scars lifetime?

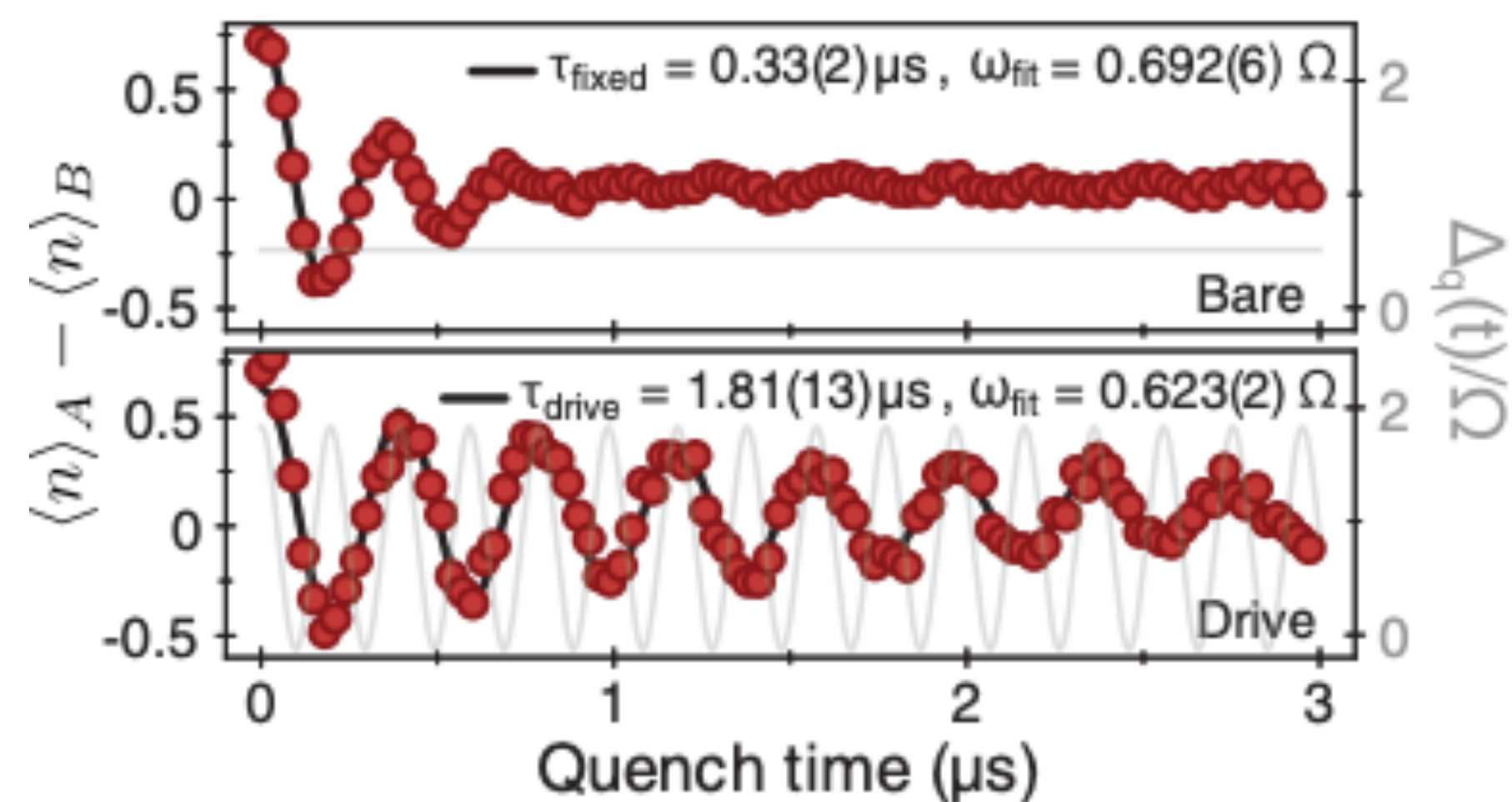
Periodic driving improves scar lifetime

[Dolev et al, Science 2021] 9 atom 1d chain

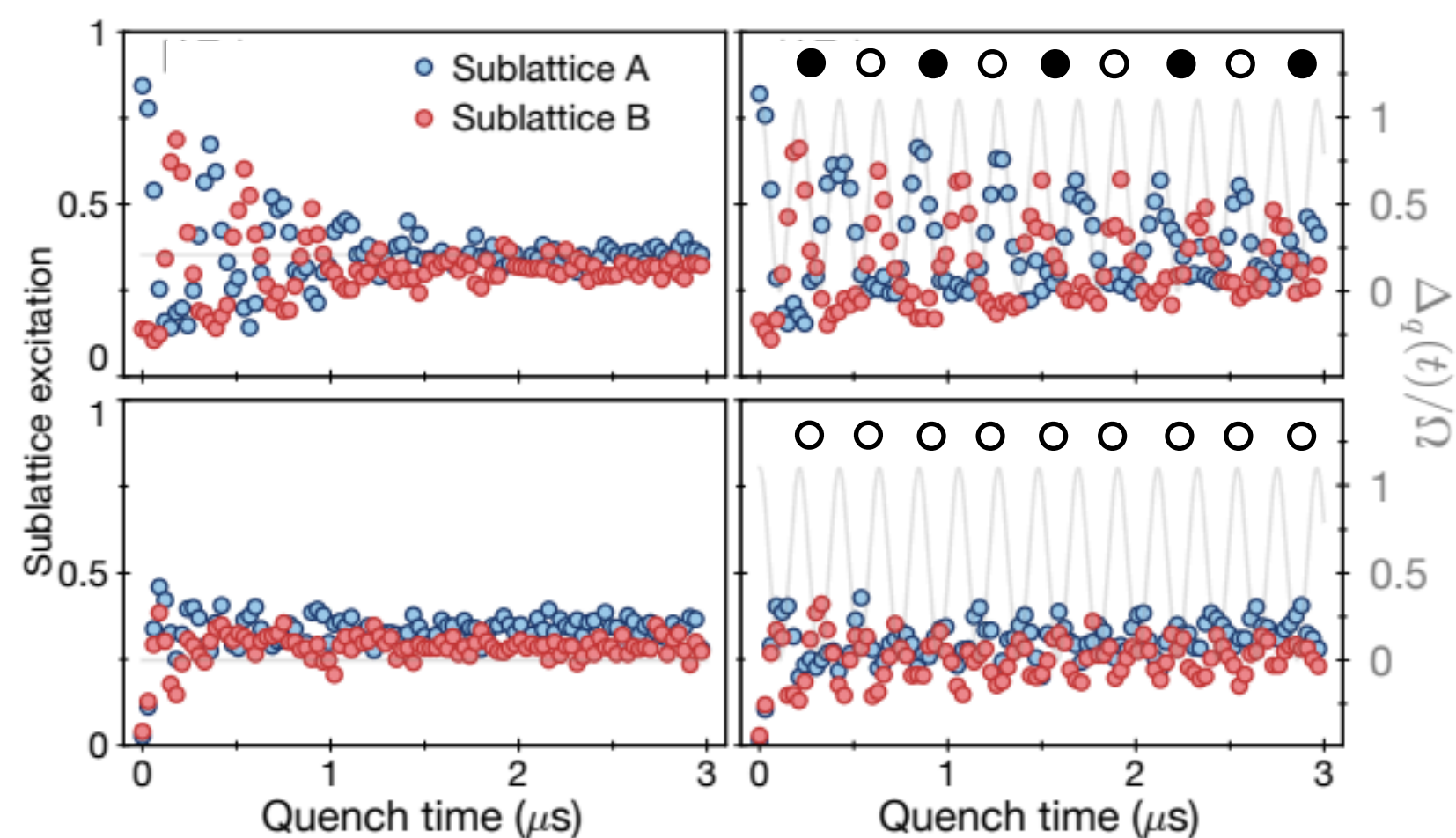


$$\Delta(t) = \Delta_0 + \Delta_m \cos(\omega_m t)$$

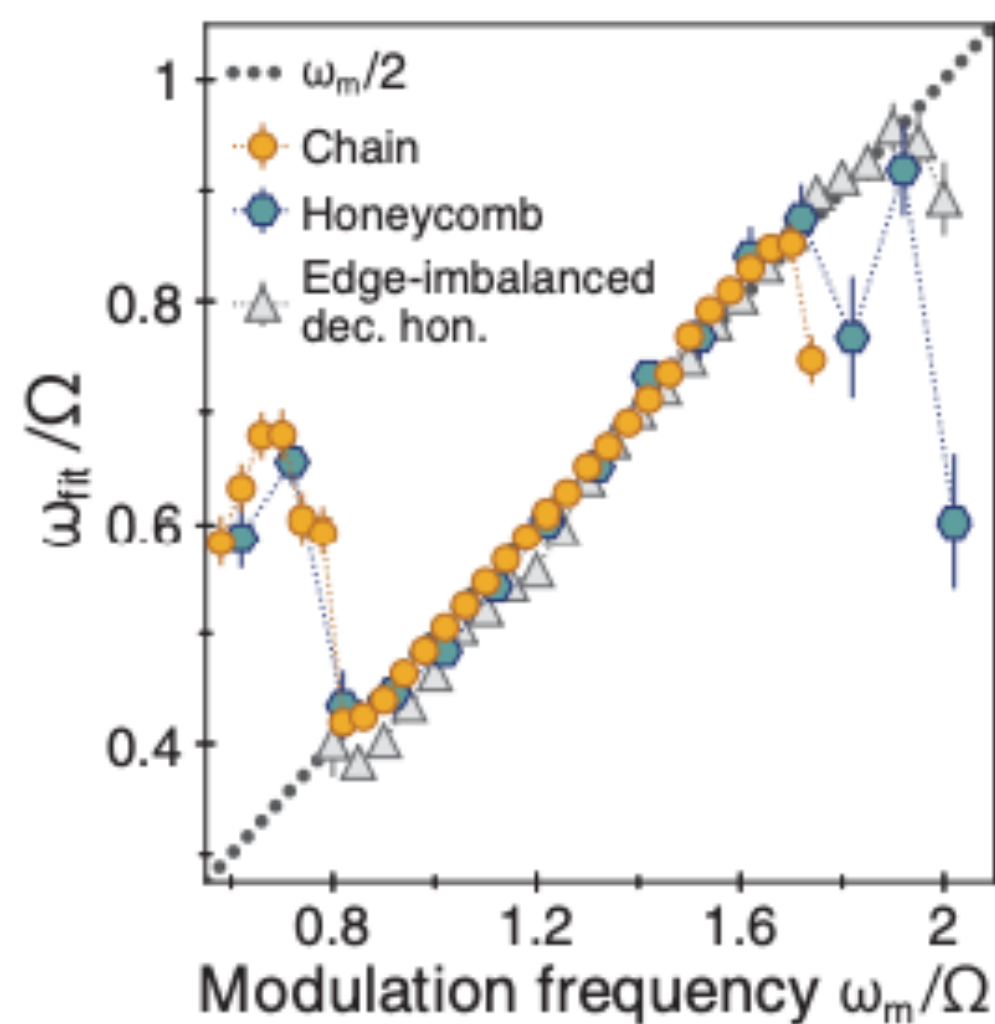
$$\tau_{\text{drive}} \approx 5.5 \tau_{\text{fixed}}$$



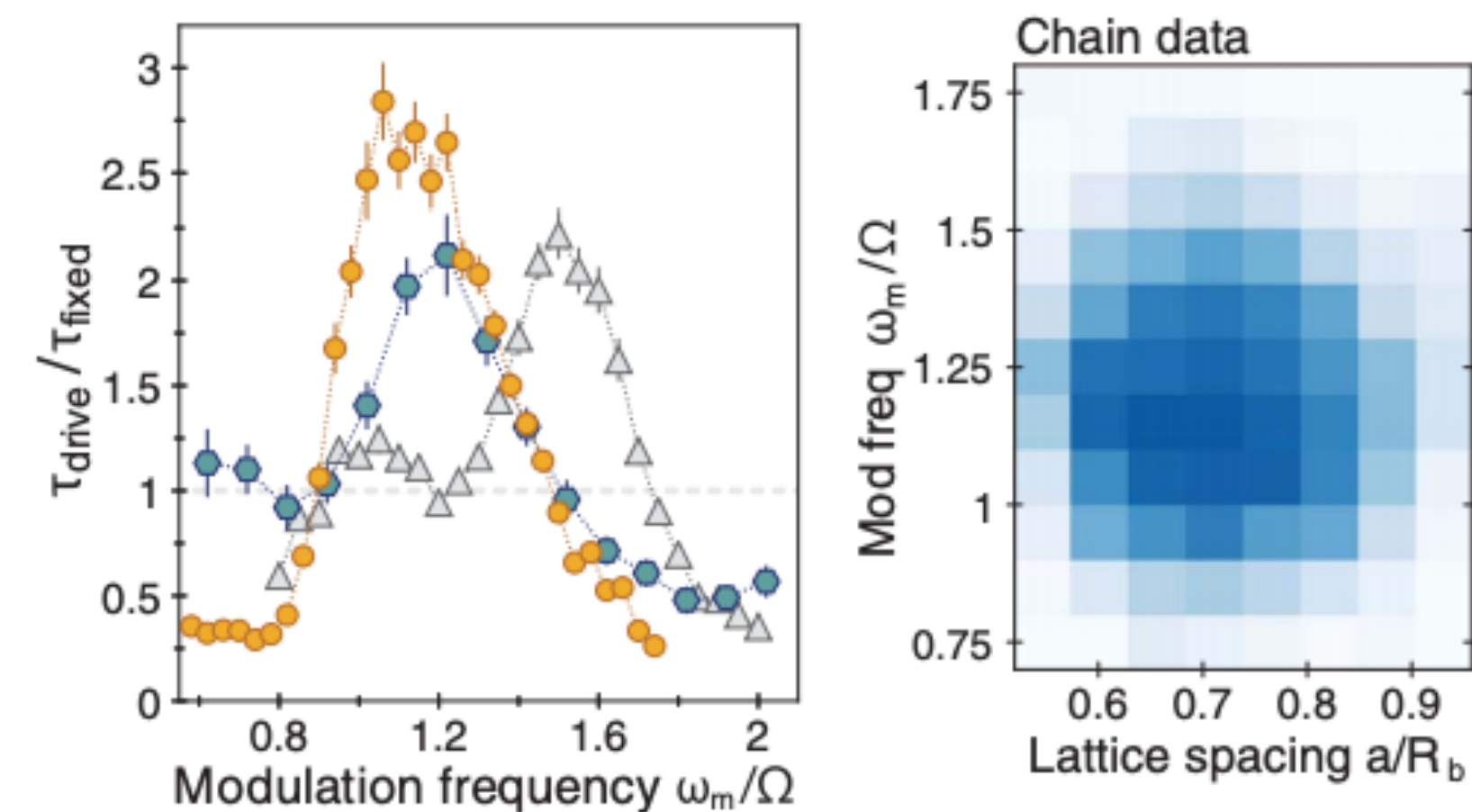
Sensitivity to initial state



Subharmonic locking



Robustness



how to understand this phenomenology?