

FROM CONFORMAL INVARIANCE TO QUASISTATIONARY STATES

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Quasistationary states

Stochastic models with long-range interactions

Long relaxation times (τ) which increase with the size of the system (L)

$$\tau \sim L^m \quad (m \approx 1.7 \text{ for many models})$$

Reviews: Mukamel, Campa, Dauxois, Ruffo 2008, 2009, Politi, Torcini, 2010

Dictionary: Absorbing state

If in the stationary state of a system one finds with probability 1 only one configuration, the configuration is the **absorbing state**

A System with states

$$|a\rangle \quad (a = 1, 2, \dots) \rightarrow \text{probability } P_a(t)$$

$$|b\rangle \rightarrow |a\rangle \quad \text{rate } -H_{a,b}$$

The master equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_a(t) = - \sum_b H_{a,b} P_b(t),$$

H is an $N \times N$ intensity matrix (eigenvalues $\text{Re}(E(k)) \geq 0$)

$$H_{a,b} \leq 0, \quad \sum_{a=1}^N H_{a,b} = 0$$

The stationary state \rightarrow ground state $E_0 = 0$

$$\langle 0| = \sum_a 1 \langle a|, \quad |0\rangle = \sum_a P_a |a\rangle, \quad P_a = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P_a(t)$$

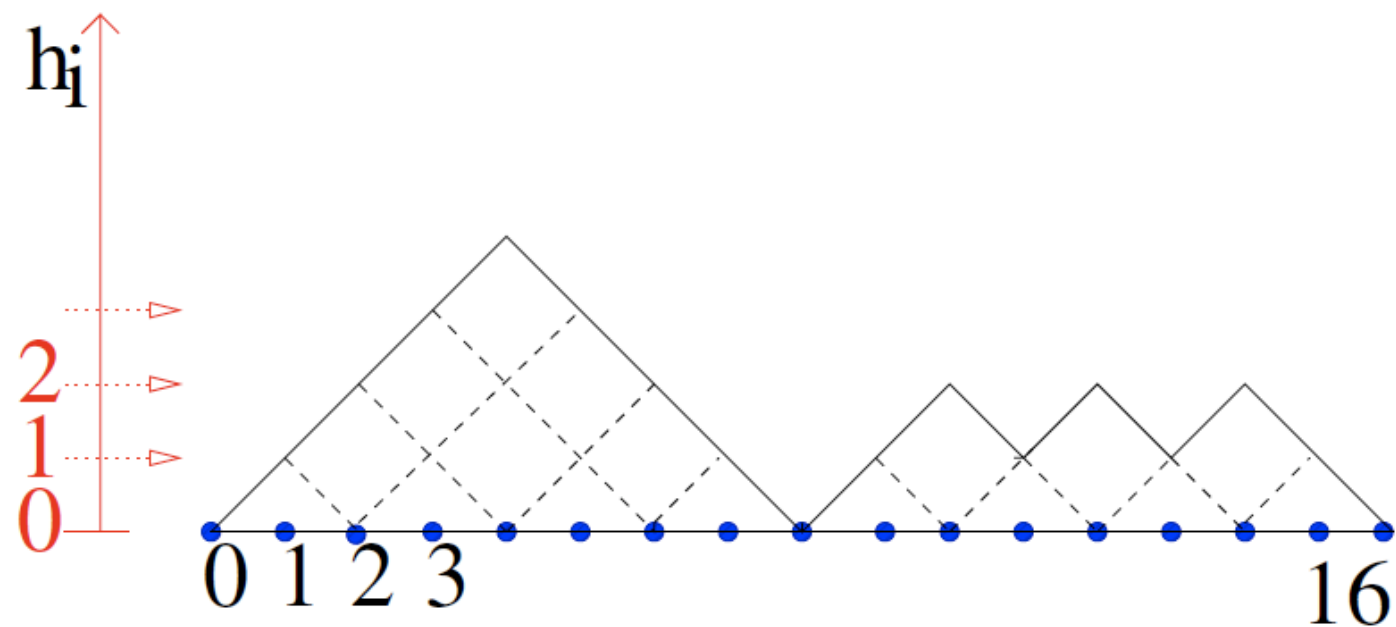
Configuration space: Dyck paths

One dimensional lattice with $L + 1$ sites ($L = 2n$) where we attach non negative heights h_i ($i = 0, 1, \dots, L$)

RSOS rules

$$h_{i+1} - h_i = \pm 1, \quad h_0 = h_L = 0, \quad h_i \geq 0$$

Catalan number $\rightarrow C_n = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n}$



Observables

Average local height $h(i, L, t)$

Average local density of contact points $g(i, L, t)$

Average density of peaks and valleys
 $\#(\text{peaks} + \text{valleys})/L$ $\tau(L, t)$

Stationary Quantities no t dependence

$$(h(i, L, t) \rightarrow h(i, L))$$

Peak adjusted raise and peel model

Monte Carlo simulations

a) Sequential updating

With a probability $R_p = \frac{p}{L-1}$ it hits a peak ($p \geq 0$ parameter)

With a probability Q_c it hits the remaining $L - 1 - n_p^c$ sites

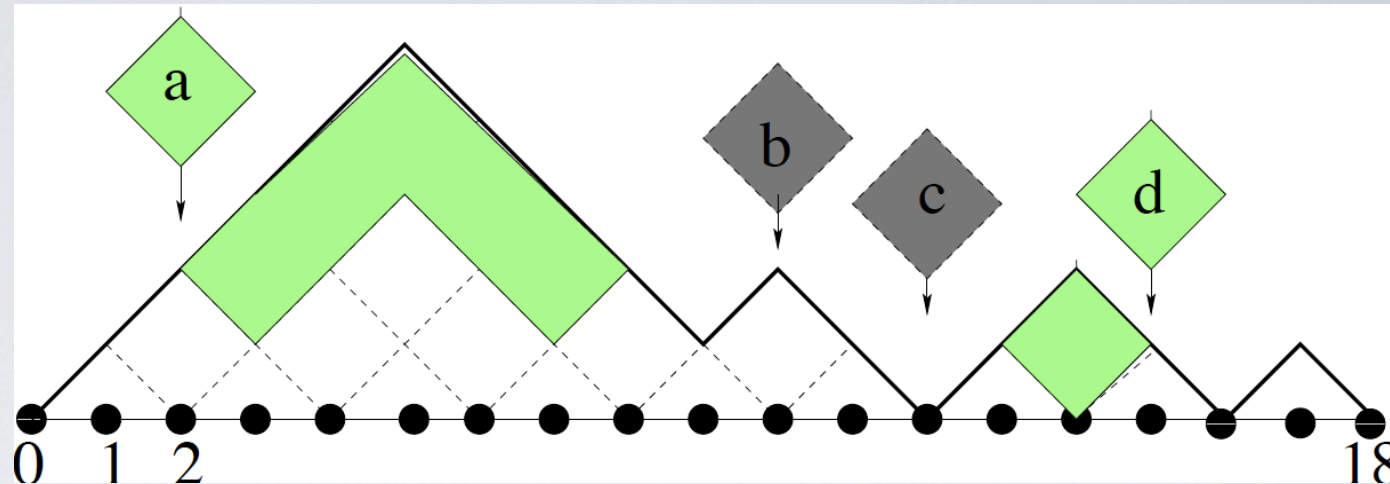
$$(n_p^c = \text{\#of peaks}) \quad Q_c = \frac{q_c}{L-1}$$

$$n_p^c R_p + (L - 1 - n_p^c) Q_c = 1 \quad q_c = 1 - \frac{n_p^c(p-1)}{L-1-n_p^c}$$

$p = 1 \rightarrow$ no n_p^c and L dependence (RPM)

b) Effects of a hit by a tile

$$H_{ac} = -r_{ac}q_c \quad (c \neq 0)$$



$$r_{ac} \rightarrow \text{rates} \quad p = 1 \quad (\text{RPM})$$

$$q_c = 1 - \frac{n_c(p-1)}{L-1-n_c}$$

configurations with large
are more stable

$$p \leq 2 \frac{L-1}{L}$$

Statement: For $0 \leq p < 2$ the finite-size scaling properties are the same as for $p = 1$ (RPM) which is integrable ($U_q(sl(2))$ invariant), XXZ model, $q = e^{i\pi/3}$, T-L algebra (semi-group $e_i^2 = e_i$) known properties

Conformal Invariance

Exact results RPM

Exact stationary state (exact results)

Density of contact points

$$g(x, L) = c \left(\frac{L}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \right)^{-1/3}$$

$$c = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6\pi^{5/6}} \Gamma(1/6) = 0.753149 \dots$$

(one-point function)

Density of peaks and vales

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \tau(L) = \frac{3}{4}$$

Finite-size scaling spectrum

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} E_i(L) = \frac{\pi v_s(p) \Delta_i}{L} \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$E_0 = 0 \text{ (for any } L \text{ stochastic model)} \rightarrow c = 0$$

$$v_s(p) = \left(1 - \frac{3(p-1)}{5}\right) \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \quad (p < 2)$$

Single place where p enters

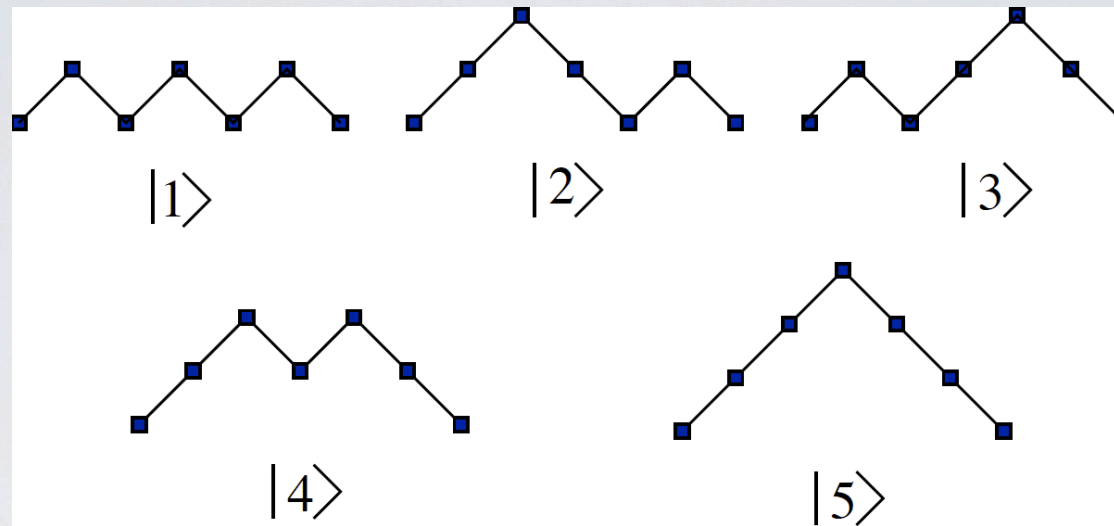
$$Z(q) = \sum_{i=0} q^{\Delta_i} = (1-q) \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-q^n)^{-1}$$

$$\Delta = 0(1), \quad 2(1), \quad 3(1), \quad 4(2), \quad 5(2), \quad 6(4), \quad \dots$$

What happens at $p = \frac{p(2L-1)}{L}$?

Triller !!

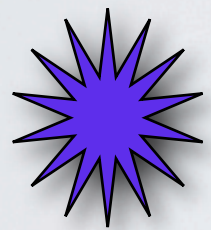
Example L=6



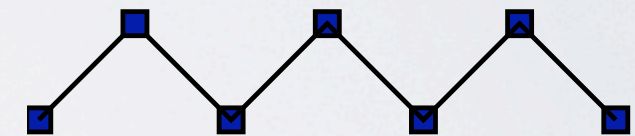
Ground state
(stationary state)

$$\left| \frac{11(5-p)}{2(5-3p)}, \frac{15(5-p)}{4(5-2p)}, \frac{15(5-p)}{4(5-2p)}, \frac{3(5-p)}{5-2p}, 1 \right\rangle$$

Nice combinatoric properties only at $p=1$! $\longrightarrow |11, 5, 5, 4, 1 \rangle$



If $p=5/3$ $|1\rangle$ is an absorbing state



For lattice L \longrightarrow substrate has $n_p = L/2$ peaks

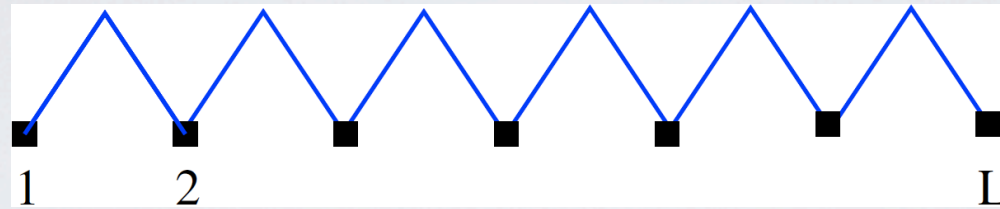
p is restricted \longrightarrow

$$0 \leq p < 2(L-1)/L$$

$$H = - \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc} & |1\rangle & |2\rangle & |3\rangle & |4\rangle & |5\rangle \\ \hline \langle 1| & -5 + 3p & 2[(5 - 2p)/3] & 2[(5 - 2p)/3] & 0 & 2[(5 - p)/4] \\ \langle 2| & (5 - 3p)/2 & -5 + 2p & 0 & (5 - 2p)/3 & 0 \\ \langle 3| & (5 - 3p)/2 & 0 & -5 + 2p & (5 - 2p)/3 & 0 \\ \langle 4| & 0 & (5 - 2p)/3 & (5 - 2p)/3 & -5 + 2p & 2[(5 - p)/4] \\ \langle 5| & 0 & 0 & 0 & (5 - 2p)/3 & -5 + p \end{array} \right) \quad (2.8)$$

The limiting case: $p = p_{max} = 2(L - 1)/L$

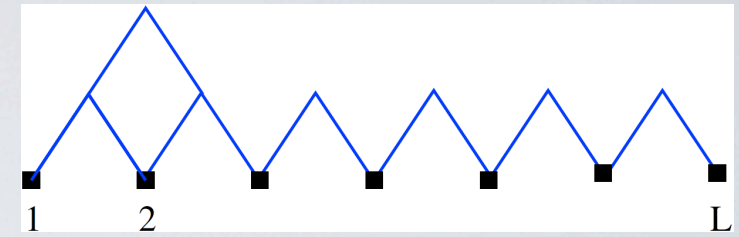
substrate



$$n_p = L/2 \quad R_p = p/(L - 1) = 2/L \quad Q_c = 0!$$

substrate is an absorbing state !!!

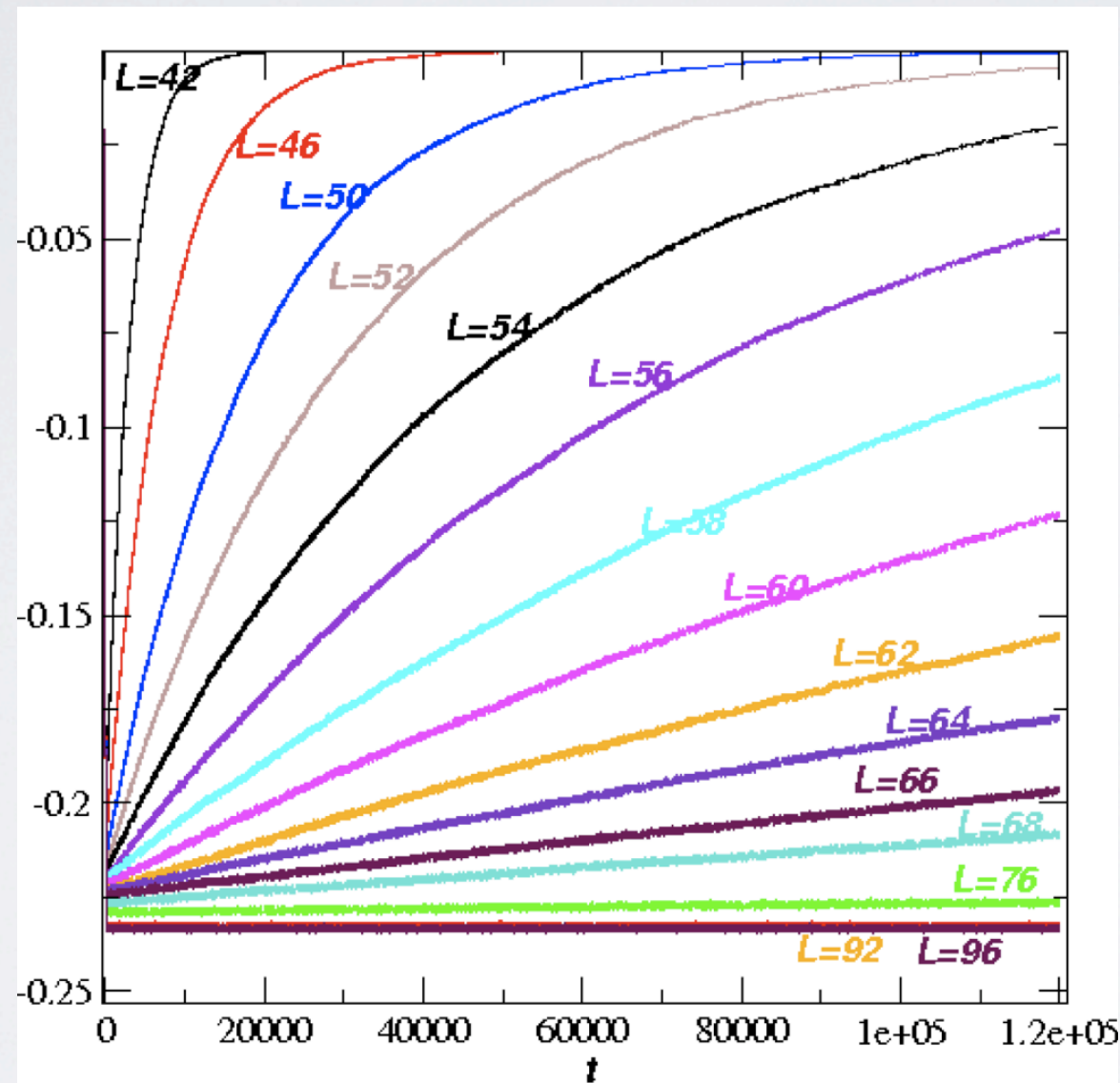
Small lattices starting with:



$\tau(L)$

$$2 \frac{n_p}{L-1} - 1$$

substrate gives zero



$L < 46$

Exponential fall-off

$L \sim 62 - 76$

linear fall-off

$L > 92$

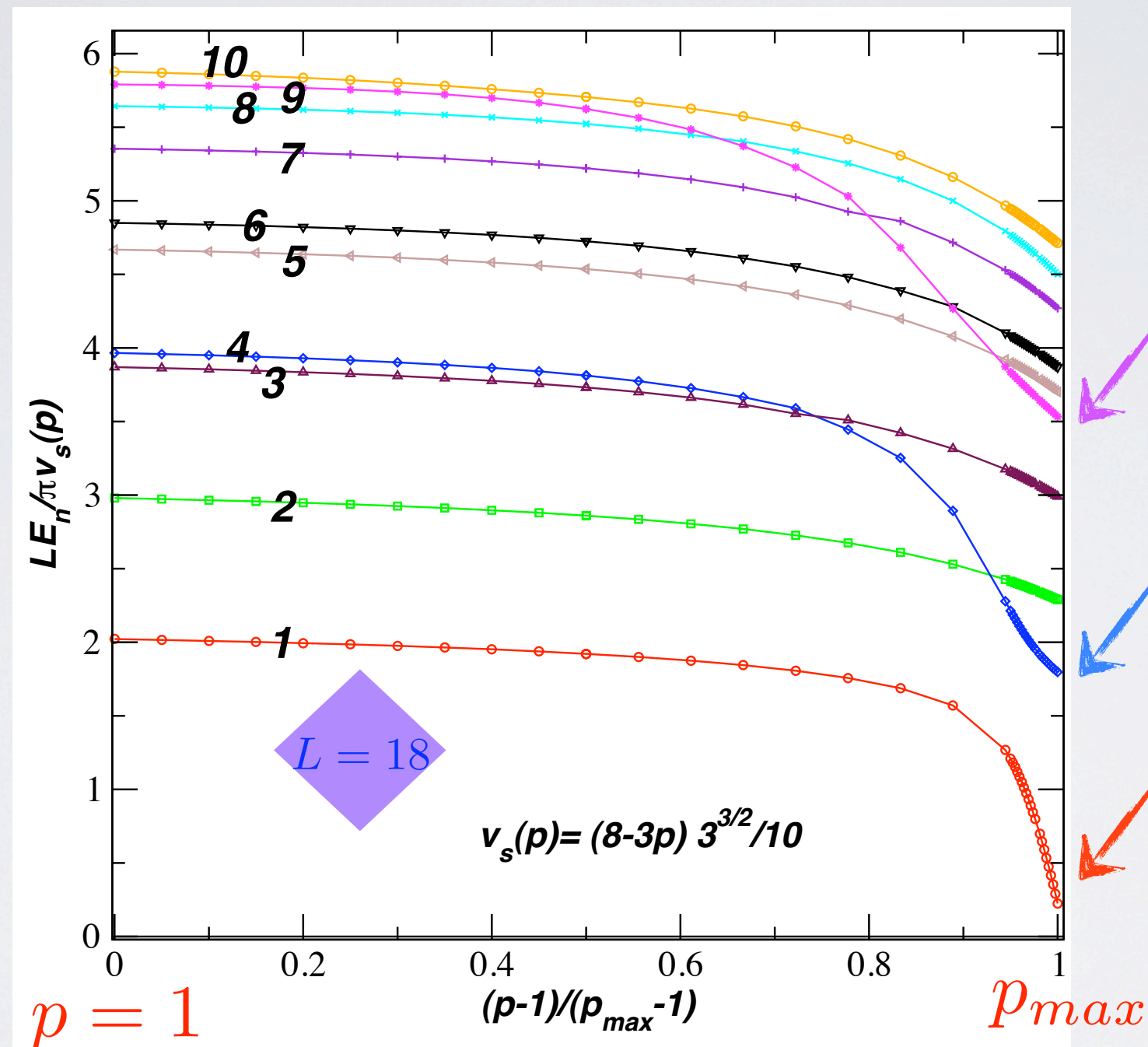
almost no variation

$\tau \sim 0.77$

Conv. Inv. region

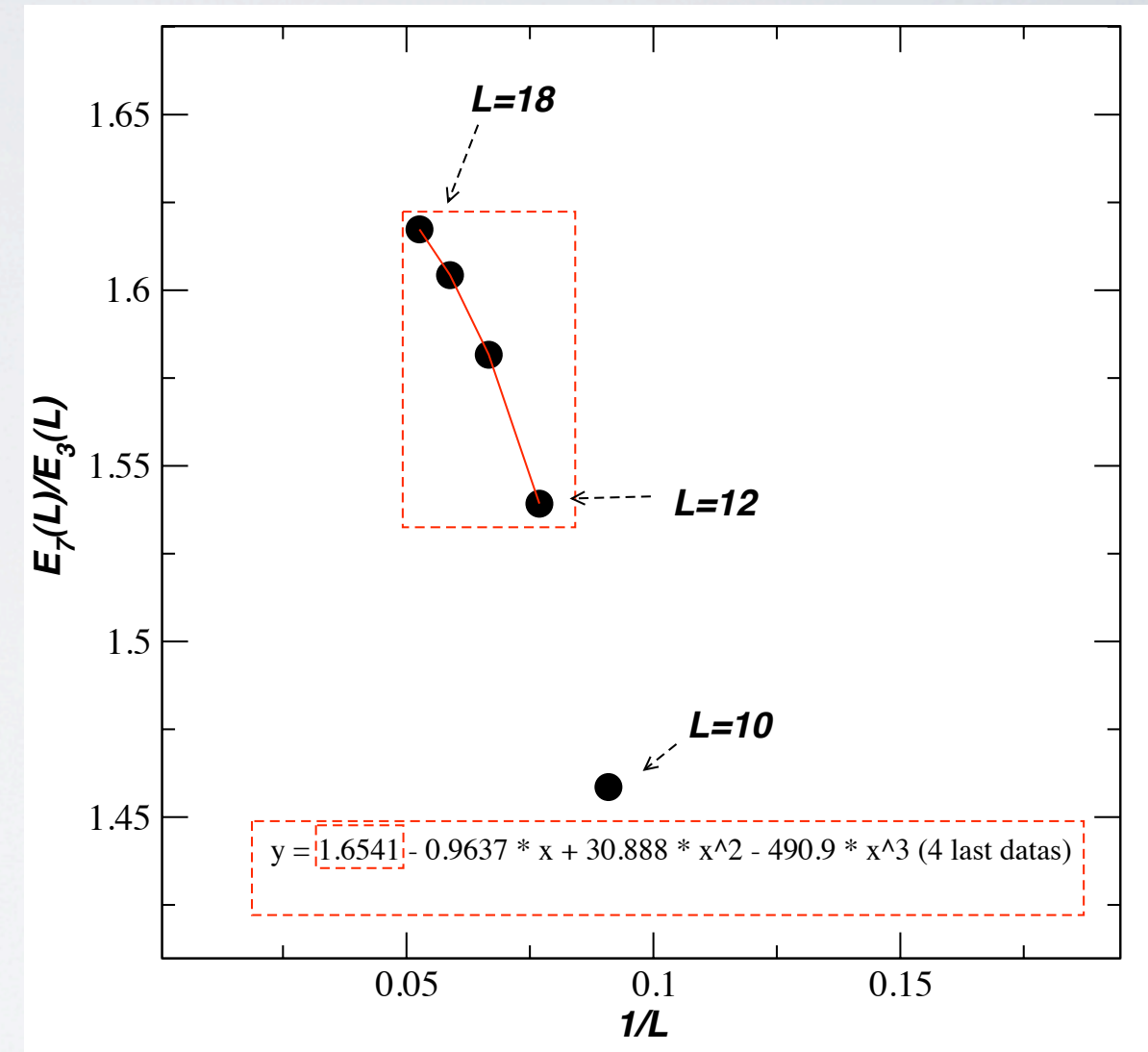
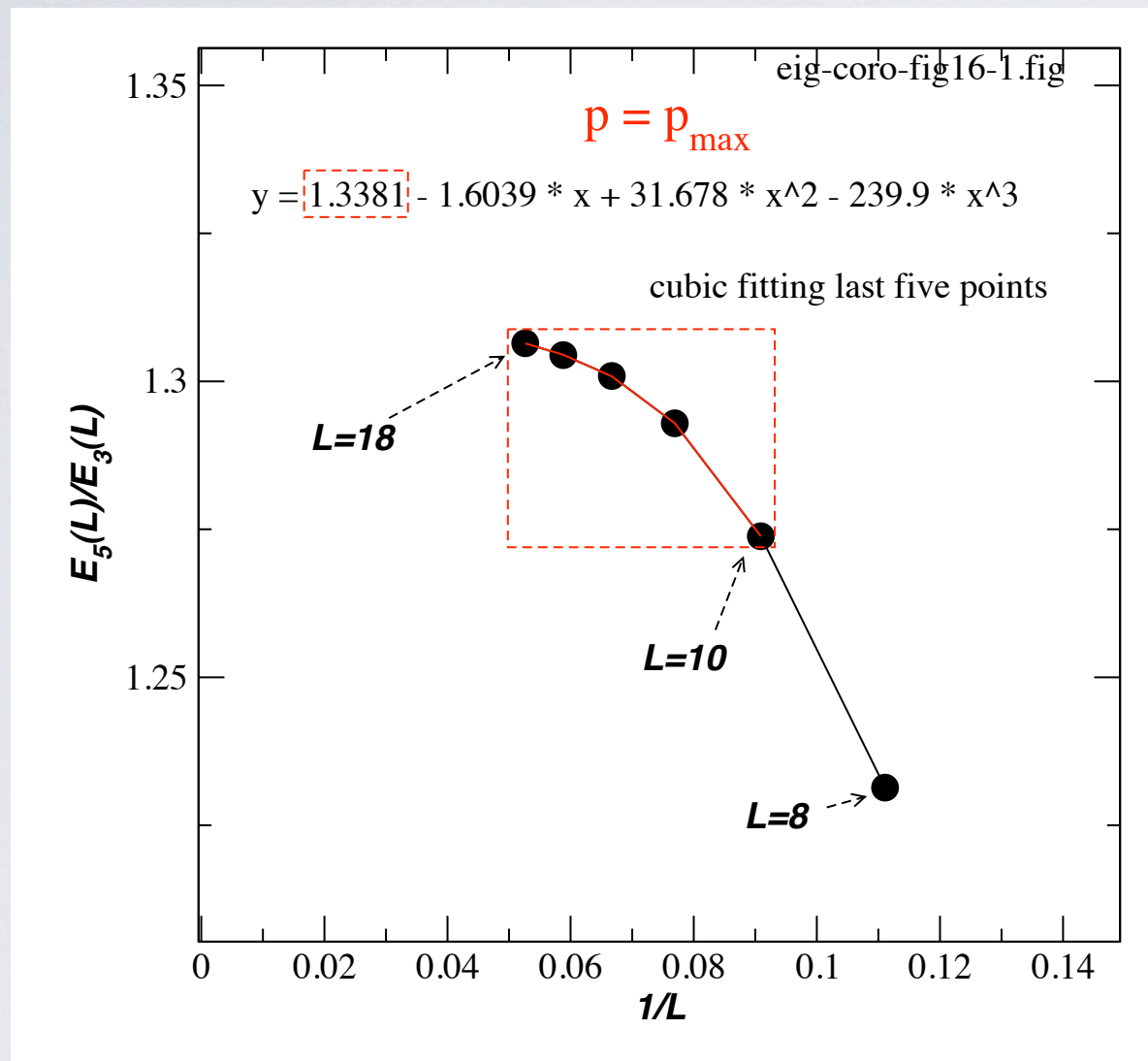
$\tau \sim 0.75$

Scaling dimensions: $\Delta = 0(1), 2(1), 3(1), 4(2), 5(2), (4), 7(4)$



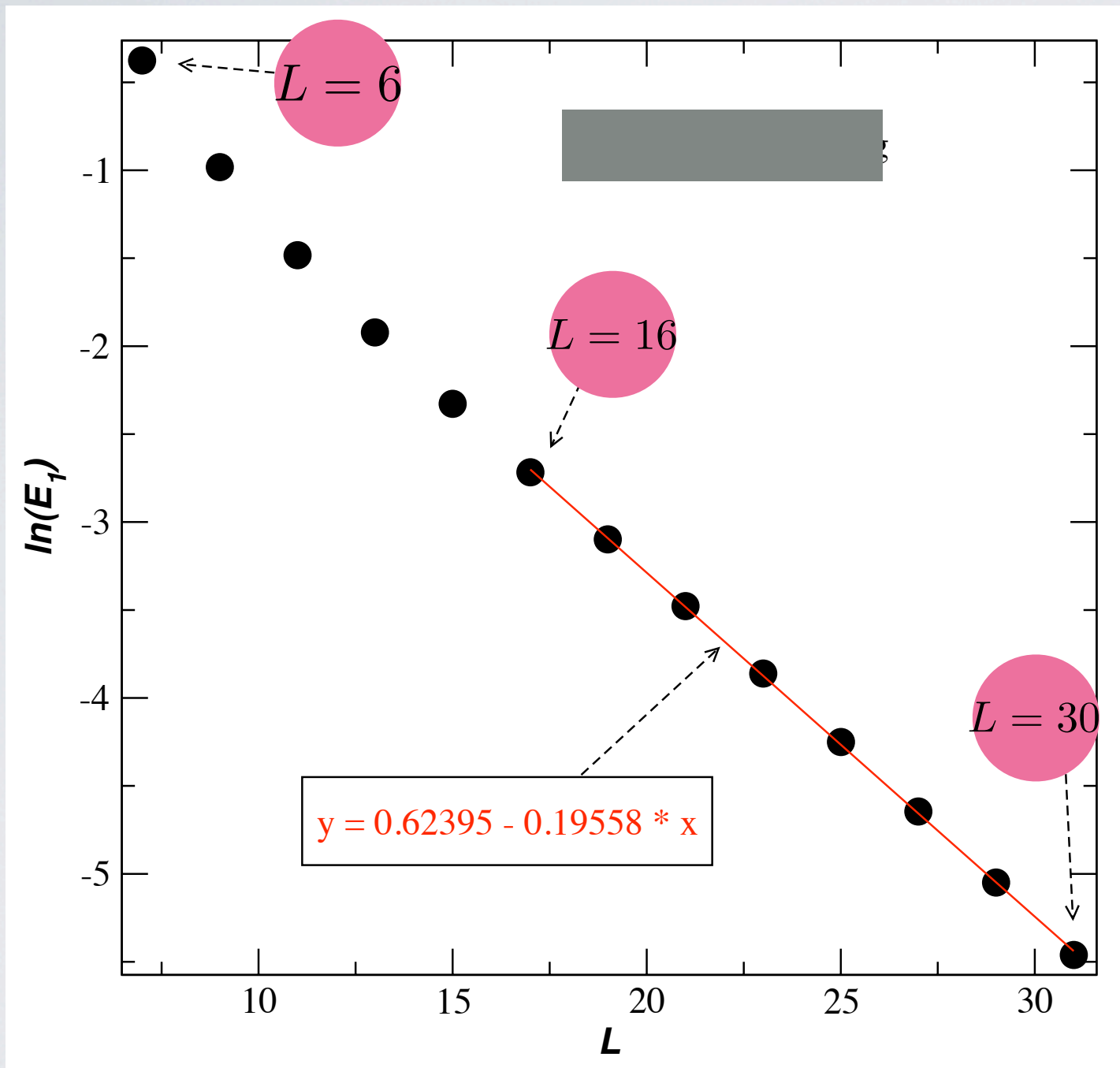
As $p \rightarrow p_{max}$ some energies go to zero as the absorbing state

BUT $E_5(L)/E_3(L) \rightarrow 4/3, \quad E_6(L)/E_3(L) \rightarrow 5/3$



Sound velocity is just $v_s(p_{\max})$!!!

First level



$$E_1(L) = 1.86e^{-0.196L}$$

Fourth level

$$E_4(L) = 2.41e^{-0.10L}$$

Origin of at least one quasistationary state

Special property of H in the presence of an absorbing state

$$H_{i,j} \quad (i, j = 0, 1, \dots, n)$$

absorbing state

$$H_{i,0} = 0, \quad H_{0,0} = 0; \quad H_{i,j} \leq 0$$

$$E_k > 0 \quad K = s, -n; \quad H|k\rangle = E_k|k\rangle \quad H|0\rangle = 0$$

Identity: $|k\rangle = y_0^{(k)}|0\rangle + \sum_i y_i^{(k)}|i\rangle$ (sum of components = 0)

$$\tilde{H}_{ij} = h_{ij} \quad (i, j = 1, \dots, n)$$

$E_1 \rightarrow$ the smallest e.v. of $\tilde{H}_{i,j}$

Perron-Frobenius $\rightarrow y_i^{(k)} \geq 0$ (only for E_1)

$$\rightarrow y_0^{(1)} < 0$$

Solution of differential equations

$$P_0(t, L) = 1 + \sum_k A_k y_0^{(k)} e^{-E_k t}; \quad P_i(t, L) = \sum_k A_k y_i^{(k)} e^{-E_k t}$$

A_k given by initial conditions, for t

$$|P(t, L) \rangle = [(1 - a(L)e^{-E_1(L)t})|0 \rangle + a(L)e^{-E_1(L)t} \sum_i p_i(L)|i \rangle$$

$$p_i(L) \rangle = \frac{y_i^{(1)}(L)}{\sum_i y_i^{(1)}(L)}; \quad \sum_i p_i(L) = 1, \quad a(L) = A_1 \sum_i y_i^{(1)}(L)$$

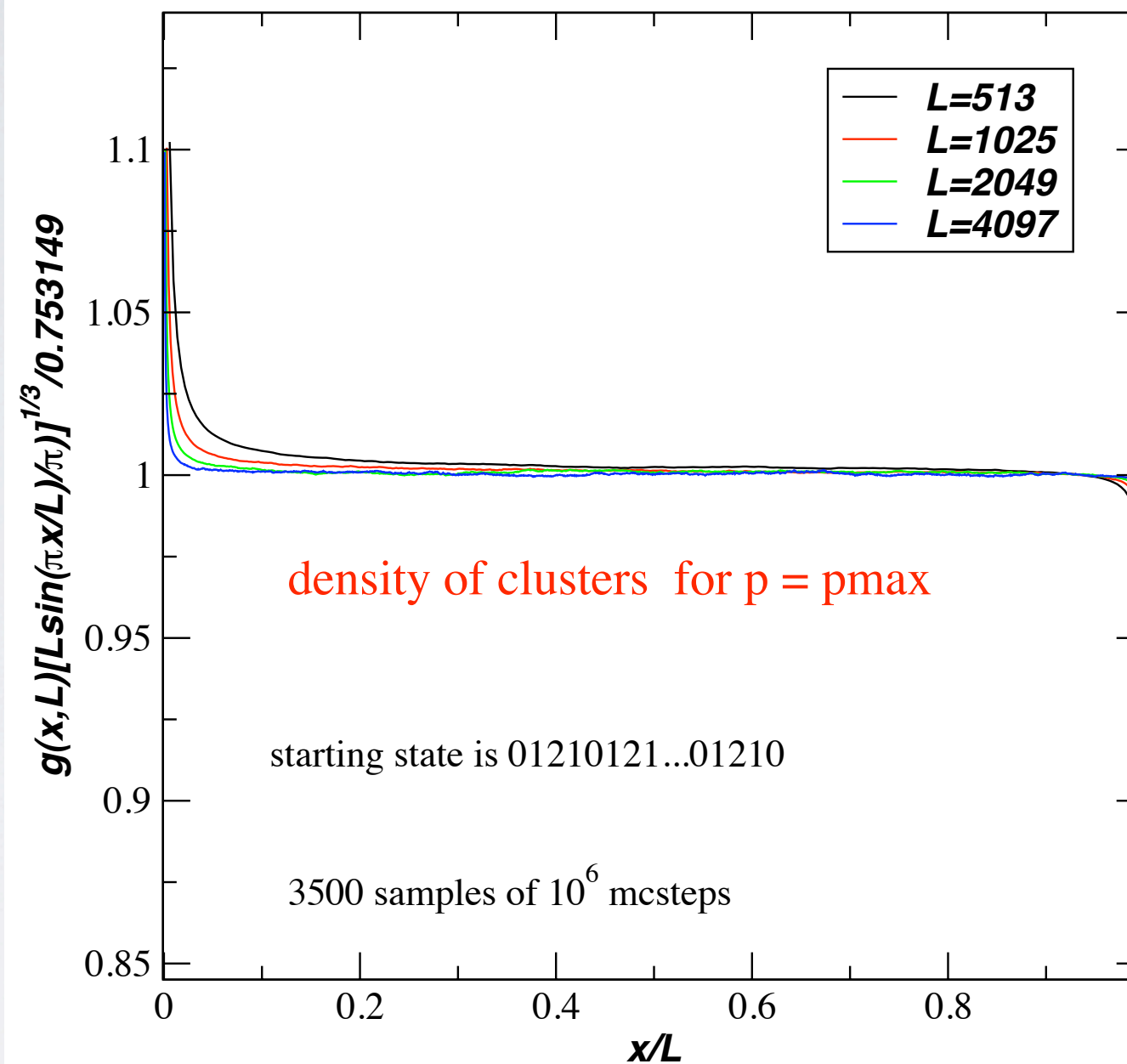
Stationary state

$$|P(\infty, L) \rangle = (1 - a(L))|0 \rangle + a(L)|P_{qs}(L) \rangle$$

In our examples: $a(L) \sim \frac{A}{L}; \quad 1 - \tau(L, t) = 0.25 - \frac{0.8}{L} e^{-E_1(t)t} \quad E_1 = 1.86e^{-0.19L}$

Which properties has the quasistationary state?

Density of contact points $g(x, L)$



Same results as in
the conformal invariant phase !!!

$$0 \leq p < p_{\max}$$

Open questions

More QSS?

What kind of left-overs of conformal invariance we have in QSS

Thank you