# Disorder vs. Interaction in open Quantum Systems



#### **Anderson-Insulator**

...the natural test-bed for Disorder-Interactions effects

## ...the field-effect technique:



#### ... for Anderson insulators:



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# ...conditions for observability: Strong-localization



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#### **Carrier-Concentration » 10<sup>18</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>**





**Disorder:**  $\mathcal{W} \propto \mathcal{E}_F \propto \mathcal{N}^{2/3}$ **Interaction:**  $\mathcal{E}_C \approx e^2/r \propto \mathcal{N}^{1/3}$ 

#### small $\mathcal{N}$ (GaAs, Si) – fast dynamics...

# ...taking ${\mathcal N}$ to the edge...



#### ...the end of slow relaxation... 8.28 10<sup>-1</sup> T=4.1K $G-G(\infty)$ (arb.units) $\Delta G/G \propto exp[-t/\tau(\infty)]$ 8.25 **G (arb. units)** 8.19 8.19 τ(∞)≈930s $G(\infty)$ 10<sup>-2</sup> $N=8.10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ 8.16 10<sup>-3</sup> 1,000 2,000 3,000 4,000 5,000 6,000 0 500 1,000 1,500 0 2,000 t (s) t (s) 12,000 N (cm<sup>-3</sup>) -**b**-8.9·10<sup>18</sup> σ<sub>0</sub> (Ω<sup>-1</sup>cm<sup>-1</sup>) 10,000 ■ 1.9·10<sup>19</sup> $(k_F^\ell)_c$ 8,000 (s) μ<sup>6,000</sup> $(k_F \ell)_c$ 4,000 *N*≈10<sup>19</sup>cm<sup>-3</sup> 2,000 0 0 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.24 0.26 0.18 0.20 0.22 0.28 0.30 0.32 $k_{F}^{\ell}$ $k_{F}\ell$ Santa Barbara, 2018

#### ...energy absorption of Anderson-insulators



...e-e inelastic scattering is suppressed Conductivity is due to phonons...

#### ...evolution after a quantum-quench..



### ...long-range influence; non-locality...





- The electron-glass  $\equiv$  Anderson-insulator
- Both Interaction & Disorder play a role

 $E_c \propto \mathcal{N}^{1/3} \qquad \mathcal{W} \propto \mathcal{N}^{2/3}$ 

 $W/E_c \approx 5-50$