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Outline

- Ground state entanglement in Spin Chains
 - I.Latorre, E.Rico, G.Vidal, Quant. Inf. and Comp. 4, (2004)
- Dynamics of entanglement in the Ising model
 P. Calabrese, J. Cardy, JSTAT 0504 (2005)
- Numerical method: DMRG, t-DMRG
- Entanglement in critical Heisenberg model
- Entanglement dynamics in the Heisenberg model
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Entropy of Entanglement

Ground State:

 $|\Psi_{GS}\rangle$

$$\rho_L = tr_{N-L}(|\Psi_{GS}\rangle\langle\Psi_{GS}|)$$

$$S(\rho_L) \equiv -tr(\rho_L log\rho_L)$$









Ising Model

$$H = -\sum_{i} \left(\sigma_{i}^{x} \sigma_{i+1}^{x} + \lambda \sigma_{i}^{z} \right)$$

For $\lambda = 1$ the system is critical

Correlations diverge in the system ground state

System can be solved via Jordan-Wigner + Fourier + Bogoliubov transformation



Evolution of Entanglement I





P. Calabrese, J. Cardy, JSTAT 0504 (2005)

Evolution of Entanglement II



P. Calabrese, J. Cardy, JSTAT 0504 (2005)



Physical Interpretation



Half Time Summary

Static: critical scaling

$$S_L \sim \frac{c}{3} \log_2 L$$

Dynamic:

Entropy increase is proportional to quench Entropy saturates at t*

t^{*} depends on L and velocity



Numerical Simulation

- DMRG, White PRA (1992)
- t-DMRG, White, Feigun, PRL (2004)
- Approximate method to study many-body quantum system (ground state properties, time evolution)
- Open boundary conditions
- Finite size scaling



DMRG scheme

$H_{SB} = H_E + H_{E'} + H_{int}$



t-DMRG scheme

Time evolution operator Trotter expansion

$$H = \sum_{even} F_{i,i+1} + \sum_{odd} G_{i,i+1}$$

$$exp(-iHt) = \left(e^{-iFdt/2}e^{-iGdt}e^{-iFdt/2}\right)$$

$$= \prod exp(-iF_{i,i+1}dt/2) \prod exp(-iG_{i,i+1}dt) \prod exp(-iF_{i,i+1}dt/2)$$

F, G even/odd Hamiltonan operator

$$\tilde{\Psi} = O_{\ell \to \ell+1} O_{N-\ell-3 \to N-\ell-2}^{\dagger} \Psi$$



DMRG Parameters

- N sistem size
- m size of truncated basis
- P discarded
- dt Trotter approx (second order).



Entropy and CFT

Entropy of a spin block in a critical infinite chain:

$$S_L \sim \frac{c}{3} \log_2 L$$

Entropy of a block L in a critical chain of size N

$$S_L^B = \frac{c}{6} \log_2 \left[\frac{L}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi L}{N}\right) \right] + a$$













Random Heisenberg Model



Time Evolution in RHM

N=50 L=20 m=50 dt=10^-3



Conclusions and Outlook

- Static scaling in HM confirmed.
- Central charge can be fitted from numerical simulations.
- Time evolution scheme holds in different models.
- Central charge in random Heisenberg model
- Time evolution in RH under investigation

