Quantum many-body scars

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The Rydberg atom arrays based quantum simulation platform

The Hamiltonian of the Rydberg atom arrays is:

$$\frac{H}{\hbar} = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} \Delta n_i + \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \frac{V}{|d_i - d_j|^6} n_i n_j + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \Omega \sigma_i^x$$



Figure: Experimental platform [1]



Figure: The phase diagram of 1D Rydberg atoms chain [8]

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Promising quantum computation platform



Figure: Logical quantum processor based on reconfigurable atom arrays [2]

A novel dynamics captured by Rydberg atom arrays experiments



Initial crystal state revivial with a frequency of $\Omega/1.38$ that is largely independent of the system size are observed. It behaves like non-interacting dimers model. MPS outcome and numerical calculations from ED support that.

Figure: Emergent oscillations in many-body dynamics after sudden quench. [1]

Constrained model

After we turn off the laser quench the initial state and set $\Delta = 0$. Only consider strong N.N. interaction limit(small $\epsilon = \frac{\Omega}{V}$), we denote $V = V_{i,i+1}$:

$$H = \sum_{i} n_{i} n_{i+1} + \epsilon \sum_{i} X_{i}$$

then using the SW transformation, we introduce the low-energy subspace spanned by configurations with no adjacent excited states. The projector onto this subspace can be written as $P = \prod_j (1 - n_i n_{i+1})$. The first non trivial term is $H_{\text{eff}} = \epsilon P \sum_i XP$. After removing overall scale ϵ , we obtain , where $P_i = 1 - n_i$

$$H_{\mathsf{PXP}} = \sum_{i} P_{i-1} X_i P_{i+1} \tag{1}$$

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Constrained model

The dim of such low-energy subspace after ruling out kinetically constrained states is a Fibonacci sequence [5]

$$\begin{cases} d_L^{OBC} = d_{L-1} + d_{L-2} \\ d_L^{PBC} = d_L + d_{L-4} \end{cases}$$
(2)

which mean, where F_l is Fibonacci sequence

$$\begin{cases} d_L^{OBC} = F_{L+2} \\ d_L^{PBC} = F_{L-1} + F_{L+1} \end{cases}$$
(3)



Figure: The constrained Hilbert space graph of the Fibonacci chain with L=6 sites over Hamming distance [7]

Symmetries for block diagonalization

The Exact Diagonalization need to consider the symmetry to block diagonalize.



Figure: Commutation relations among the Hamiltonian and the symmetry operators. [6]

- Particle conservation symmetry: $N = \sum_{i} n_{i}, H = H_{0} \oplus \cdots \oplus H_{N} \oplus \cdots \oplus H_{L}$
- Translational symmetry in PBC, $H_N = H_{N,0} \oplus \cdots \oplus H_{N,k} \oplus \cdots \oplus H_{N,L-1}$,build Representative State out of $|\bar{n},k\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} e^{\frac{i2\pi}{L}kn}T^n |\bar{n}\rangle$

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- spatial inversion symmetry R which maps $i \rightarrow L i + 1$. $R = R^{\dagger}$ where reflection operator defined as $RO_lR = O_{L-i-l}$.
- particle-hole symmetry $\mathcal{X} = \prod_i X_i$, but $[R,T] \neq 0, [N,X] \neq 0$

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The Momentum sector and the maximum symmetry sector



Figure: Block diagonal structure of the Hamiltonian matrix [6]

The discrete symmetry operators satisfy $X^{\dagger}(N - L/2)X = -(N - L/2)$. In the half-filling sector N = L/2, (H, N, T, X) are mutually commuting.

$$H_{N=L/2,k} = H_{N=L/2,k,X=1} \oplus H_{N=L/2,k,X=-1}$$

And $R^{\dagger}TR^{-1} = T^{-1}$ means that at momentum sector k = 0, k = L/2, $T = T^{-1}$, [R, T] = 0.

$$H_{N,k} = H_{N,k,R=1} \oplus H_{N,k,R=-1}$$

So we focus on the maximum symmetry sector $S_{N=L/2,k=0,R=1,X=1,\dots,k=1}$, we have $X=2^{N-1}$

Symmetries of PXP model

Paticle-hole symmetry, $\{H_{\rm PXP},X\}=0,$ leads to each $|E\rangle$ has a partner $|-E\rangle$ in spectrum.

Then for PBC, we can explicitly evaluate the zero-momentum inversion-symmetric sector for different sites.

| size | representatives/k=0 | pure inversion | k=0,R=1 MSS |
|------|---------------------|----------------|-------------|
| L=24 | 4341 | 377 | 2359 |
| L=26 | 10462 | 610 | 5536 |
| L=28 | 25415 | 987 | 13201 |
| L=30 | 62075 | 1597 | 31836 |
| L=32 | 152288 | 2584 | 77436 |





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The consecutive level statistics



Figure: Level statistics and in the Fibonacci chain

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Level Statistics and Zero Modes in the Fibonacci Chain

Zero mode

The lower bound of zero-energy eigenstates in the zero-momentum sector [3]:

$$Z_{2l}^{0} \ge |Q_{2l}^{(0,+)} - Q_{2l}^{(0,-)}| = F_{l-1} \quad \mathsf{PBC}$$

$$(4)$$

$$Z_{2l}^{0} \ge F_{l+1} \quad \mathsf{OBC} \quad (5)$$



Figure: Density of states in PXP model and the zeros mode with L=28 $\,$

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Loschmit echo and entanglement entropy

we observe the special dynamics to calculate the Loschmit echo $|\langle \bullet \bullet \bullet \circ | e^{-\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} | \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \rangle|^2$ and entropy curve $S = \operatorname{tr}(\rho \ln \rho)$ over time. And then compare different initial state



Figure: The Loschmit echo and the Von-Neumann entanglement entropy

Figure: Entanglement entropy growth for different initial state N - 21 TDVP

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 $|Z_2\rangle$ $|Z_3\rangle$

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Dynamics of entanglement and local correlation function



Figure: Dynamics of entanglement



Figure: Dynamics of local correlation function

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Overlap of states





Figure: Overlap between eigenstates and $|\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle$, L = 28, in MSS space

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Overlap of states

However, it's hard to identify many degenerate zero modes $|E = 0\rangle$. We expect only one state in $\mathcal{H}_{zero\mbox{ modes}}$ described by FSA state, i.e. we can use $P_{zero\mbox{ modes}}P_{FSA}P_{zero\mbox{ modes}}$, only one basis state with a non-zero overlap with $|\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle$.



Figure: Overlap between eigenstates and $|\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle$, L=16, in constrained space, ruling out the degeneracy

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FSA(Forward Scattering Approximation) and Emergent SU(2) symmetry [4]

Such special scar states can be spanned by FSA basis, $\{ |\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle, H^+ |\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle/b_1, (H^+)^2 |\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle/b_2 \dots (H^+)^n |\mathbb{Z}_2\rangle/b_n \}$. where the H^{\pm} is defined as:

$$H_{\pm} = \sum_{j \in \text{even}} P_{j-1} \sigma_j^{\pm} P_{j+1} + \sum_{j \in \text{odd}} P_{j-1} \sigma_j^{\mp} P_{j+1}$$

where $\beta_n = \langle n | H | n - 1 \rangle = \langle n + 1 | H | n \rangle$. And the z-projection of spin $H^z = \frac{1}{2}[H^+, H^-] = \sum_i^L (-1)^n \sigma_n^z / 2$ Then $[H^z, H^{\pm}] \approx \pm H^{\pm}$, from which we can perceive the SU(2) symmetry with a spin L/2 representation. Special eigenstates in spectrum

FSA and Emergent SU(2) symmetry [4]

Noting it only contains L + 1 basis as the maximum Hamming distance is L + 1, and in FSA basis, the PXP Hamiltonian be like:

$$H_{\rm FSA} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta_1 & & \\ \beta_1 & 0 & \beta_2 & & \\ & \beta_2 & 0 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \beta_L \\ & & & & \beta_L & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\mathcal{H}_{\mathsf{energyeigen}} = \mathcal{H}_{\mathsf{FSA}} \oplus \mathcal{H}_{\mathsf{thermal}}$



Figure: The FSA state and scar state in ${\cal L}=12$

FSA state and Exact state



Figure: Overlap between FSA basis $|n\rangle$ and the FSA states(black) or the exact states(red)

Figure: Overlap between FSA basis $|n\rangle$ and the FSA states(black) or the exact states(red)

Initial state with perturbation

These anomalous eigenstates (O(L)) are immersed in a much larger sea of thermal eigenstates $(O(2^L))$, but underpin the real-time dynamics.



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