

Lecture on quantum entanglement in condensed matter systems

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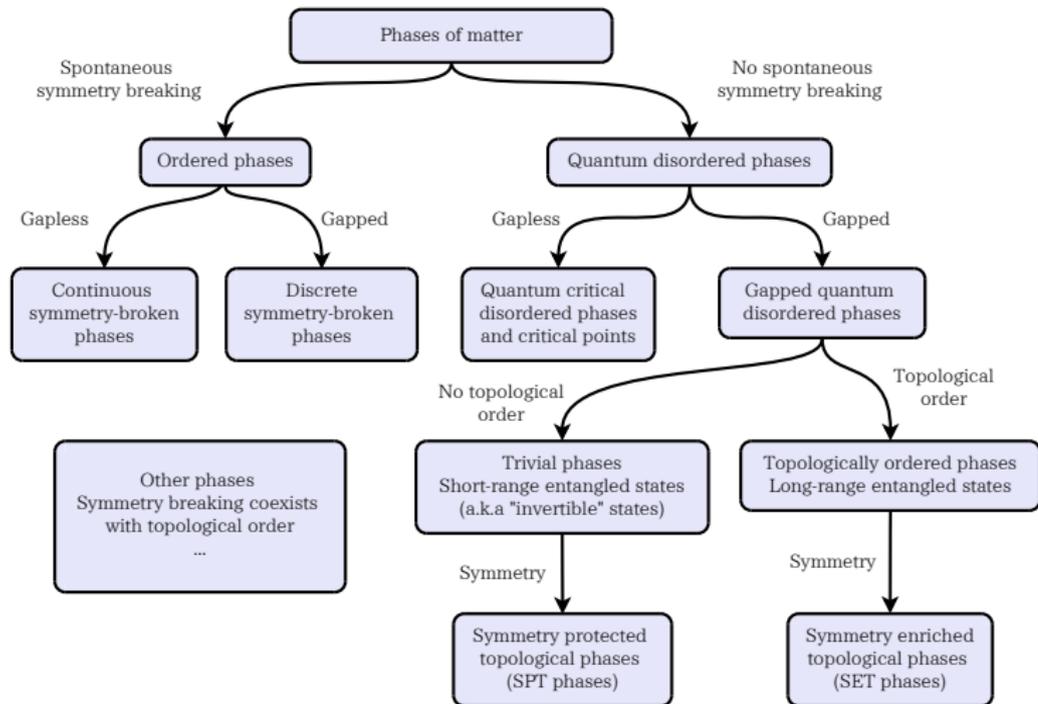
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Overview

- Quantum entanglement as an “order parameter”
 - SPT phases (free systems)
 - (1+1)d CFTs
 - Perturbed CFTs
 - (2+1)d topologically ordered phases
 - ...
- Developing theoretical/computational tools:
 - DMRG, MPS, PEPS, MERA, and other tensor networks
- Other applications – ETH and many-body localization, thermalization and chaos in dynamical systems, etc.
- Applications to physics of spacetime

Phases of matter



Entanglement and entropy of entanglement

- (0) States of your interest, e.g., $\rho_{tot} = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$.
- (i) Bipartition Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$.
- (ii) Partial trace:

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \sum_j p_j |\psi_j\rangle_A \langle\psi_j|_A \quad \left(\sum_j p_j = 1\right) \quad (1)$$

- (iii) von Neumann Entanglement entropy:

$$S_A = -\text{Tr}_A [\rho_A \ln \rho_A] = -\sum_j p_j \ln p_j \quad (2)$$

- (iv) Entanglement spectrum $\rho_A \propto \exp(-H_e)/Z$:

$$\{\xi_i\} \quad \text{where} \quad p_i =: \exp(-\xi_i)/Z \quad (3)$$

- Mutual information:

$$I_{A:B} \equiv S_A + S_B - S_{A \cup B} \quad (4)$$

- Rényi entropy:

$$R_A^{(q)} = \frac{1}{1-q} \ln(\text{Tr } \rho_A^q). \quad (5)$$

Note that $S_A = \lim_{q \rightarrow 1} R_A^{(q)}$. $\{R_A^{(q)}\}_q =$ entanglement spectrum.

- The Rényi mutual information:

$$I_{A:B}^{(q)} \equiv R_A^{(q)} + R_B^{(q)} - R_{A \cup B}^{(q)} \quad (6)$$

- Other entanglement measures, e.g., entanglement negativity.

Some key properties

- If ρ_{tot} is a pure state and $B = \bar{A}$, $S_A = S_B$.
- If ρ_{tot} is a mixed state (e.g., $\rho_{\text{tot}} = e^{-\beta H}$), $S_A \neq S_B$ even when $B = \bar{A}$,
- If $B = \emptyset$, $S_A = S_{\text{thermal}}$.
- Subadditivity:

$$S_{A+B} \leq S_A + S_B. \quad (7)$$

i.e., the positivity of the mutual information:

$$I_{A:B} = S_A + S_B - S_{A+B} \geq 0.$$

- Strong subadditivity

$$S_B + S_{ABC} \leq S_{AB} + S_{BC} \quad (8)$$

By setting $C = \emptyset$, we obtain the subadditivity relation.

ES in non-interacting systems

- Consider the ground states $|GS\rangle$ of free (non-interacting) systems, and bipartitioning $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_L \otimes \mathcal{H}_R$.
- When $\rho_{tot} = |GS\rangle\langle GS|$ is a Gaussian state, H_e is quadratic [Pesche (02)].

$$H_e = \sum_{I,J \in L} \psi_I^\dagger K_{IJ} \psi_J, \quad I = \mathbf{r}, \sigma, i, \dots \quad (9)$$

- H_e can be reconstructed from 2pt functions: $C_{IJ} := \langle GS | \psi_I^\dagger \psi_J | GS \rangle$.

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} C_L & C_{LR} \\ C_{RL} & C_R \end{pmatrix}, \quad C_{RL} = C_{LR}^\dagger. \quad (10)$$

- Correlation matrix is a projector:

$$C^2 = C, \quad Q^2 = 1 \quad (Q_{IJ} := 1 - 2C_{IJ}). \quad (11)$$

- Entanglement Hamiltonian:

$$H_e = \sum_{I,J \in L} \psi_I^\dagger K_{IJ} \psi_J, \quad K = \ln[(1 - C_L)/C_L]. \quad (12)$$

E.g. the integer quantum Hall effect

- A prototype of topological phases
- Characterized by quantized Hall conductance $\sigma_{xy} = (e^2/h) \times (\text{integer})$.
- Gapped bulk, gapless edge
- Robust against disorder and interactions
- Chiral edge states in ES

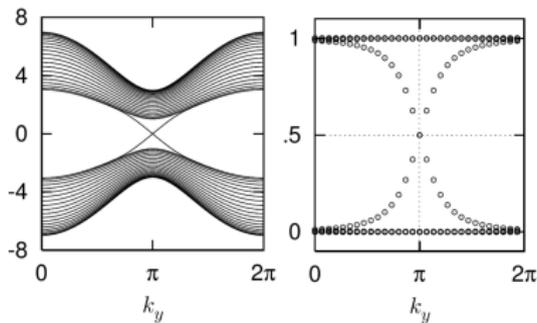


Figure: Physical v.s. entanglement spectra of a Chern insulator [SR-Hatsugai (06)]

E.g. the SSH model

- 1d lattice fermion model:

$$H = t \sum_i (a_i^\dagger b_i + h.c.) + t' \sum_i (b_i^\dagger a_{i+1} + h.c.) \quad (13)$$



- Phase diagram:



- Physical spectrum, entanglement spectrum, entanglement entropy.

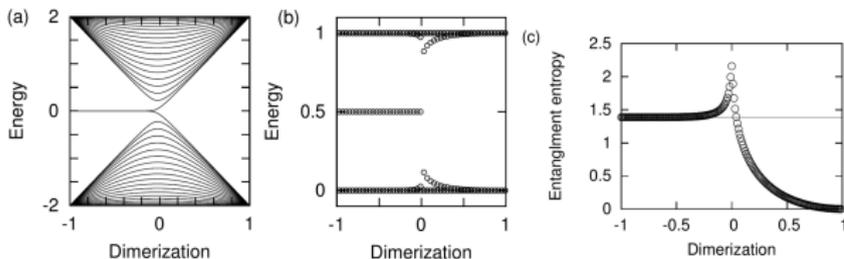
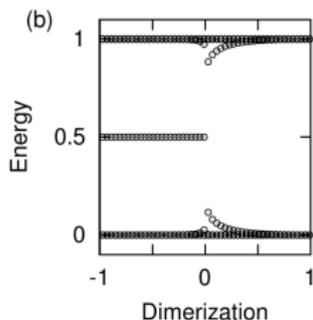


Figure: [SR-Hatsugai (06)]

Symmetry-protected degeneracy in ES

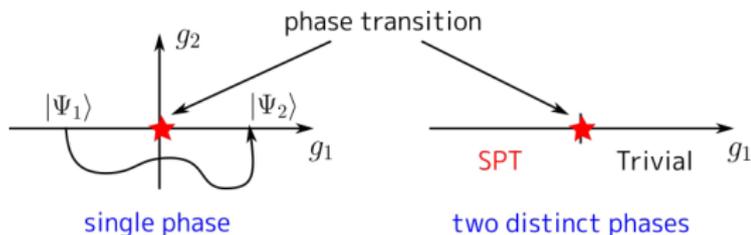
- Robust zero mode in ES; 2-fold degeneracy for each level.



- $S_A = A \log \xi/a_0 + \log 2$
- Degeneracy is symmetry-protected; Symmetry: $a_i \rightarrow a_i^\dagger$, $b_i \rightarrow -b_i^\dagger$. (Class D or AIII/BDI topological insulator)
- Symmetry-protected degeneracy is an indicator of symmetry-protected topological (SPT) phases. [Pollmann-Berg-Turner-Oshikawa (10)]

Symmetry-protected topological phases (SPT phases)

- "Deformable" to a trivial phase (state w/o entanglement) in the absence of symmetries.
- (Unique ground state on any spatial manifold – "invertible")
- But sharply distinct from trivial state, once symmetries are enforced.



- Example: SSH model, time-reversal symmetric topological insulators, the Haldane phase
- Symmetry-breaking paradigm does not apply: no local order parameter

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \xrightarrow{\quad \star \quad} g_1 \\
 \langle M \rangle \neq 0 \quad \langle M \rangle = 0
 \end{array}$$

Entanglement spec. and non-spatial symmetry

- How about symmetry ?
- Corr. matrix inherits symmetries of the Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_I &\rightarrow U_{IJ}\psi_J, & H_{phys} &\rightarrow U^\dagger H_{phys} U = H_{phys}, \\ Q &\rightarrow U^\dagger Q U = Q\end{aligned}\tag{14}$$

- Non-spatial symmetry, the sub block of corr. matrix inherits symmetries:

$$Q_L \rightarrow U^\dagger Q_L U = Q_L\tag{15}$$

So does the entanglement Hamiltonian. This may result in degeneracy in the ES.

Another example

- Spin-1 Antiferromagnetic spin chain

$$H = \sum_j \mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1} + U_{zz} \sum_j (S_j^z)^2 \quad (16)$$

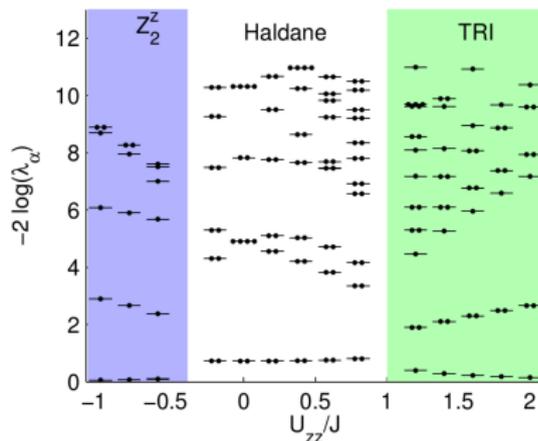
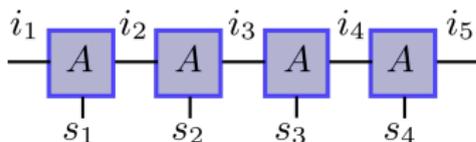


Figure: [Pollmann-Berg-Turner-Oshikawa (10)]

View from Matrix product states

- Matrix product state representation:

$$\Psi(s_1, s_2, \dots) = \sum_{\{i_n=1, \dots\}} A_{i_1 i_2}^{s_1} A_{i_2 i_3}^{s_2} A_{i_3 i_4}^{s_3} \dots \quad s_a = -1, 0, 1$$



- Symmetry action: for $g, h \in$ Symmetry group, we have $U(g)$ acting on physical Hilbert space:

$$U(g)U(h) = U(gh)$$

$$U(g)_s^{s'} A^s = V^{-1}(g) A^{s'} V(g) e^{i\theta_g} \quad (17)$$

- Symmetry acts on the “internal” space projectively:

$$V(g)V(h) = e^{i\alpha(g,h)} V(gh) \quad (18)$$

[Chen et al (11), Pollmann et al (10-12), Schuch et al (11)]

(Entanglement spec)² and SUSY QM

- From $C^2 = C$:

$$\begin{aligned}C_L^2 - C_L &= -C_{LR}C_{RL}, \\Q_L C_{LR} &= -C_{LR}Q_R, \\C_{RL}Q_L &= -Q_R C_{RL}, \\C_R^2 - C_R &= -C_{RL}C_{LR}\end{aligned}\tag{19}$$

- Introduce:

$$S = 1 - \begin{pmatrix} Q_L^2 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_R^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2C_{LR} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 2C_{RL} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.\tag{20}$$

- SUSY algebra

$$\begin{aligned}[S, Q] &= [S, Q^\dagger] = 0, \\ \{Q, Q^\dagger\} &= S, \quad \{Q, Q\} = \{Q^\dagger, Q^\dagger\} = 0\end{aligned}\tag{21}$$

Entanglement spec. and spatial symmetries

- L/R = “fermionic”/”bosonic” sector; $C_{L,R}$ intertwines the two sectors:

$$\mathcal{H}_L \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{C_{LR}} \\ \xrightarrow{C_{RL}} \end{array} \mathcal{H}_R \quad (22)$$

- Spatial symmetry \mathcal{O} : choose bipartitioning s.t.

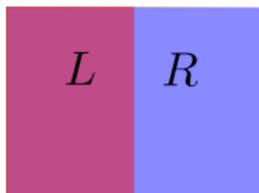
$$\mathcal{O} : \mathcal{H}_L \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{H}_R \quad (23)$$

$$O = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & O_{LR} \\ O_{RL} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad O_{LR}O_{LR}^\dagger = O_{RL}O_{RL}^\dagger = 1 \quad (24)$$

- Symmetry of entanglement Hamiltonian:

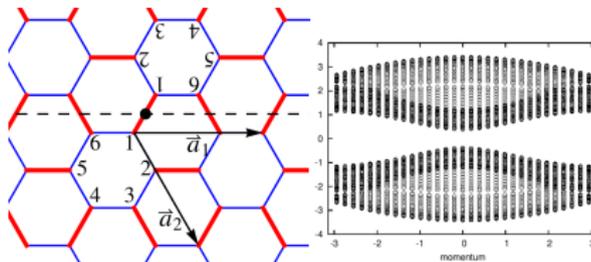
$$Q_L C_{LR} O_{LR}^\dagger = C_{LR} O_{LR}^\dagger Q_L^* \quad (25)$$

[Turner-Zhang-Vishwanath (10), Hughes-Prodan-Bernevig (11),
Fang-Gilbert-Bernevig (12-13), Chang-Mudry-Ryu (14)]

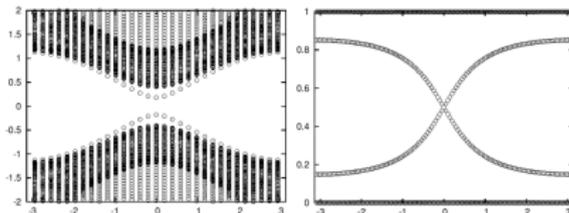


Graphene with Kekule order

- Kekule distortion in graphene



- Degeneracy protected by inversion



- Entanglement spec. is more useful than physical spec.

Short notes: Conformal field theory in (1+1)d

- Scale invariance in (1+1)d \rightarrow conformal symmetry (Polchinski)
- Conformal symmetry is infinite dimensional. Holomorphic-anti-holomorphic factorization
- Infinite symmetry generated by stress energy tensor

$$T(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} L_n z^{-n-2}, \quad \bar{T}(\bar{z}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \bar{L}_n \bar{z}^{-n-2}, \quad (26)$$

- Virasoro algebra

$$[L_m, L_n] = (m - n)L_{m+n} + \frac{c}{12}(m^3 - m)\delta_{m,-n} \quad (27)$$

- Characterized by a number c “central charge” (among others)

Short notes: CFT in (1+1)d

- Structure of the spectrum: “tower of states”:

$$\begin{aligned} & |h, N; j\rangle \otimes |\bar{h}, \bar{N}; \bar{j}\rangle, \\ & L_0 |h, N; j\rangle = (h + N) |h, N; j\rangle. \\ & \bar{L}_0 |\bar{h}, \bar{N}; \bar{j}\rangle = (\bar{h} + \bar{N}) |\bar{h}, \bar{N}; \bar{j}\rangle. \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

- In other words:

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{h, \bar{h}} n_{h, \bar{h}} \mathcal{V}_h \otimes \bar{\mathcal{V}}_{\bar{h}}, \tag{29}$$

$n_{h, \bar{h}}$: the number of distinct primary fields with conformal weight (h, \bar{h}) .
(For simplicity, we only consider the diagonal CFTs with $n_{h, \bar{h}} = \delta_{h, \bar{h}}$.)

Central charge

- c = Weyl anomaly; at critical points, there are emergent scale invariance, but this emergent symmetry is broken by an anomaly.
- $c \simeq$ (number of degrees of freedom)
- c shows up in free energy and specific heat, etc:

$$c_V = \frac{\pi c}{3v\beta} \quad (30)$$

Note: v is non-universal.

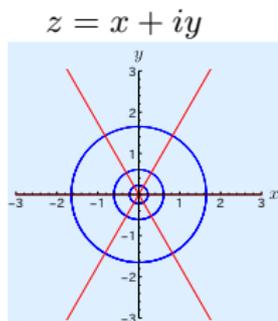
- Can be extracted from the entanglement entropy scaling:

$$S_A = \frac{c}{3} \log R + \dots \quad (31)$$

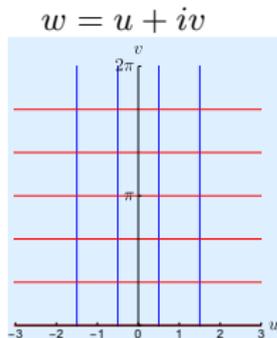
- RG monotone. (Zamolodchikov c -function; entropic c -function)

Radial and angular quantization

- $w(z) = \log z$



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- CFT on a plane \leftrightarrow CFT on a cylinder
- Radial evolution \leftrightarrow Hamiltonian
- Angular evolution (Entanglement or Rindler Hamiltonian) \leftrightarrow Hamiltonian with boundary

Radial flow – Finite size scaling

- CFT on a cylinder of circumference L

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^L dv T_{uu}(u_0, v) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint_{C_w} dw T(w) + (\text{anti-hol}) \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

- Conformal map: cylinder \rightarrow plane $w = \frac{L}{2\pi} \log z$

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{C_w} dw T(w) &= \oint_{C_z} dz \frac{dw}{dz} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^2 \left[z^2 T(z) - \frac{c}{24} \right] \\ &= \oint_{C_z} dz \left(\frac{L}{2\pi} \right) \left[z T(z) - \frac{c}{24} \frac{1}{z} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

- CFT Hamiltonian on a cylinder can be written in terms of dilatation operator $L_0 + \bar{L}_0$ on a plane:

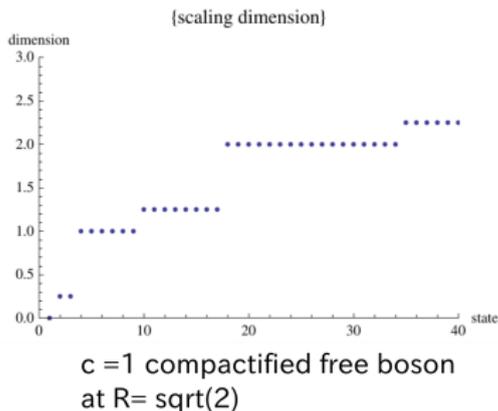
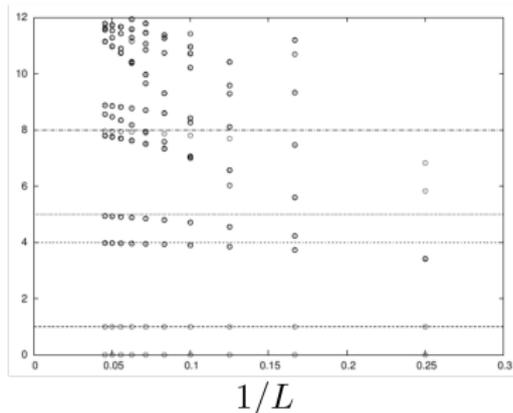
$$H = \frac{2\pi}{L} \left(L_0 + \bar{L}_0 - \frac{c}{24} \right) \quad (34)$$

- Gives relation between stress tensor (on z -plane) to a “physical” Hamiltonian on a finite cylinder.
- Level spacing scales as $1/L$.
- Levels are equally spaced (within a tower)
- The $c/24 \times 1/L$ part allows us to determine c (numerically). (the extensive part $A \times L$ has to be subtracted.)
- Degeneracy \rightarrow full identification of the theory

Radial flow – Numerics

- XX model: $H = \sum_j (S_j^x S_{j+1}^x + S_j^y S_{j+1}^y)$

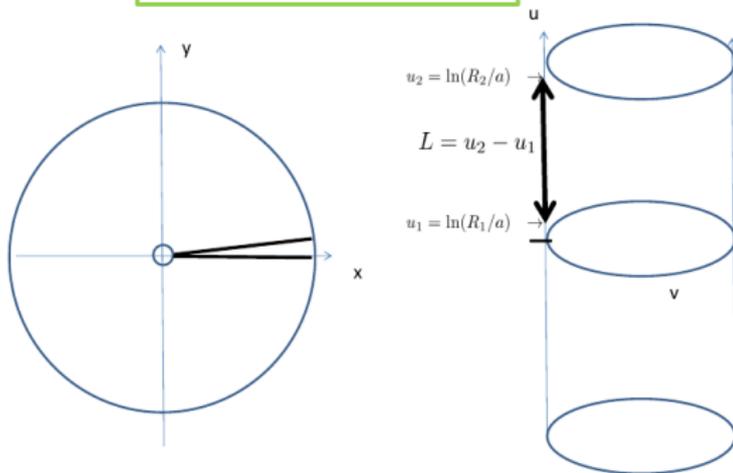
$$\frac{E - E_{GS}}{E_1 - E_{GS}}$$



- For a given tower, all levels are equally spaced.
- Level spacing scales as $1/L$.

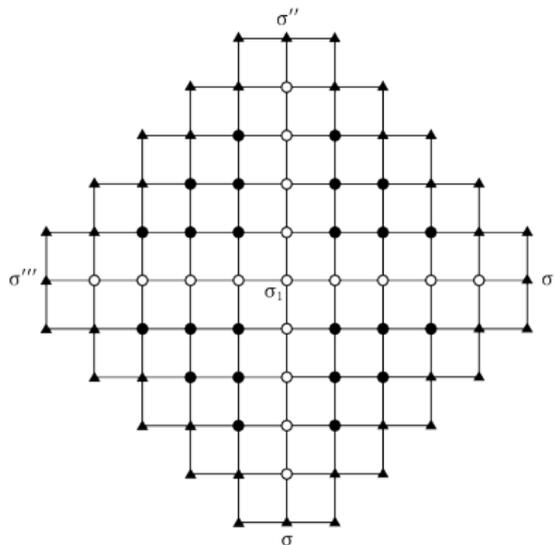
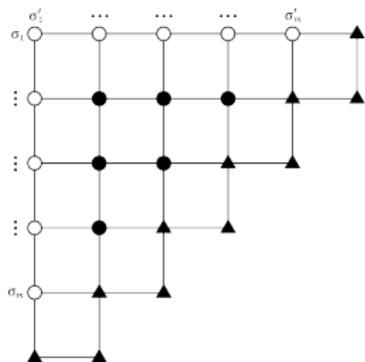
Angular flow

$$z = (x + iy) = \exp(w) = \exp(u + iv)$$



Angular flow – Corner transfer matrix

- Corner transfer matrix $A_{\sigma|\sigma'}$ and partition function $Z = \text{Tr } A^4$



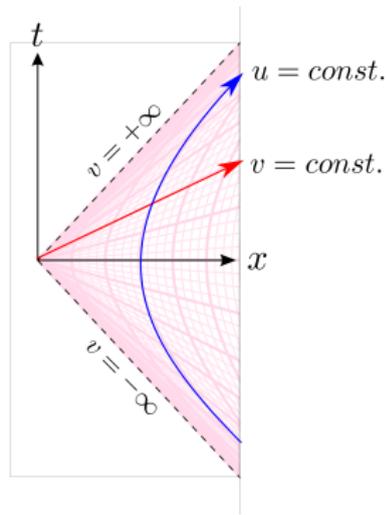
[Baxter (80's); Figures:Wikipedia]

Angular flow = Entanglement (Rindler) Hamiltonian

- In Euclidean signature, $z = x + iy = e^w = e^{u+iv}$ maps the complex z -plane to a cylinder.
- In Minkowski signature: $(t, x) \rightarrow (u, v)$ (Rindler coordinate):

$$x = e^u \cosh v,$$
$$t = e^u \sinh v.$$

- In the Rindler coord., the half of the 2d spacetime is inaccessible (“traced out”).
- Radial evolution in the complex z -plane
→ u -evolution in the cylinder
- Angular evolution in the complex z -plane
→ v -evolution in the cylinder
= entanglement (or Rindler) Hamiltonian



[Figures: Wikipedia]

Rindler Hamiltonian

- Constant u trajectories = World-lines of observer with constant acceleration a where $a = 1$ in our case.
Accelerated observer in Minkowski space = Static observer in Rindler space
- **Unruh effect:** Vacuum is observer dependent. Observer in an accelerated frame (Rindler observer) sees the vacuum of the Minkowski vacuum as a thermal bath with Unruh temperature

$$T = \frac{a}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \quad (35)$$

- This is due to a “Rindler horizon” and inability to access the other part of spacetime. Rindler coordinates covers with metric

$$ds^2 = e^{2au}(-dv^2 + du^2) \quad (36)$$

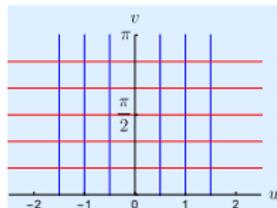
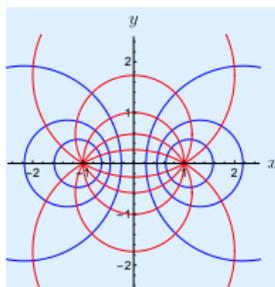
only covers $x > |t|$ (the right Rindler wedge).

- Left Rindler wedge is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}x &= e^u \cosh v, \\t &= -e^u \sinh v.\end{aligned}$$

Entanglement Hamiltonian for finite interval

- $w(z) = \ln(z + R)/(z - R)$



- Entanglement hamiltonian on finite interval $[-R, +R] \rightarrow$ Hamiltonian with boundaries
- Transforming from strip to plane:

$$H = \int du T_{vv}|_{v_0=\pi} = \int_{-R}^{+R} dx \frac{(x^2 - R^2)}{2R} T_{yy}|_{y=0} \quad (37)$$

- Entanglement spec: $1/\log(R)$ scaling

E.g., [Casini-Huerta-Myers \(11\)](#), [Cardy-Tonni \(16\)](#)

SSH chain

- Entanglement spectrum of CFT GS: $H^E = \text{const.} \frac{L_0}{\log(R/a)}$

$$H = t \sum_i \left(a_i^\dagger b_i + h.c. \right) + t' \sum_i \left(b_i^\dagger a_{i+1} + h.c. \right) \quad (38)$$

with $t = t'$

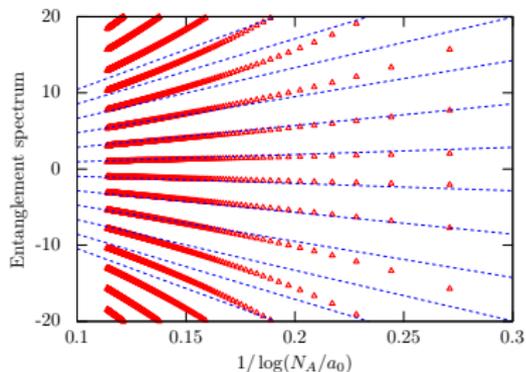


Figure: [Cho-Ludwig-Ryu (16)]

Numerics

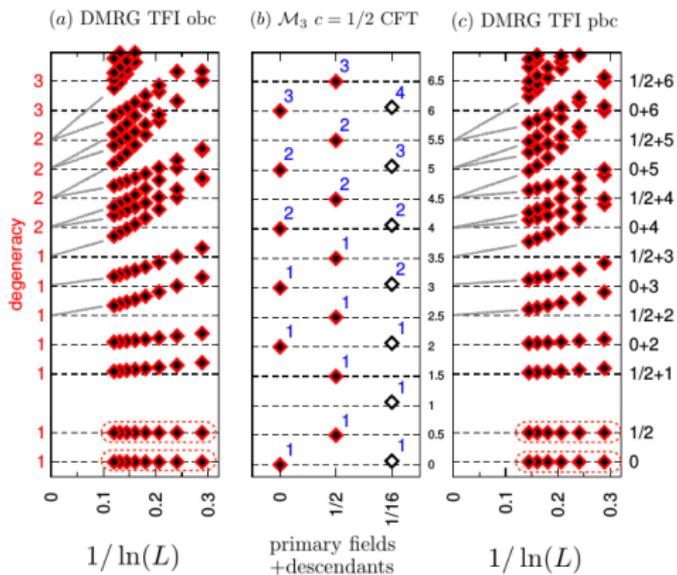


Figure: [Lauchli (13)]

Remarks:

- What is an analogue of the radial direction?
- It is related to the so-called **sine-square deformation** (SSD).
[Gendiar-Krcmar-Nishino (09), Hikihara-Nishino (11), ...]
- Evolution operator:

$$H = \int_0^\pi dv T_{uu}(u_0, v) = r_0^2 \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \frac{\cos \theta + \cosh u_0}{\sinh u_0} T_{rr}(r, \theta) \quad (39)$$

- In the limit $R \rightarrow 0$,

$$H \sim \int_0^L ds \sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi s}{L} \right) T_{rr} \left(\frac{L}{2\pi}, \frac{2\pi s}{L} \right) \quad (40)$$

[Ishibashi-Tada (15-16); Okunishi (16); Wen-Ryu-Ludwig (16)]

Perturbed CFT

- Add a relevant perturbation

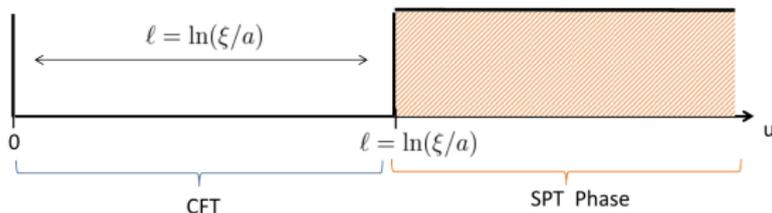
$$S = S_* + g \int d^2 z \phi(z, \bar{z}) \quad (41)$$

and go into a massive phase; Consider the entanglement Hamiltonian for half space.

- The above conformal map leads to an exponentially growing potential

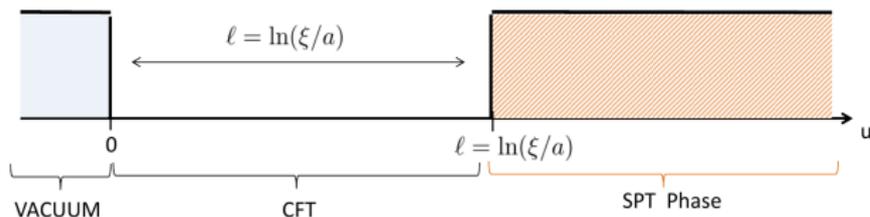
$$S_* + g \int_{u_1}^{u_2} du \int_0^{2\pi} dv e^{yu} \Phi(w, \bar{w}) \quad (42)$$

with length scale $\log(\xi/a)$.



Entanglement Spectrum

- Entanglement spectrum for gapped phases is given by a CFT with boundaries (Boundary CFT in short) of a nearby CFT



Partition function:

$$Z_{AB} = \text{Tr}_{AB} e^{-H_e} \quad (43)$$

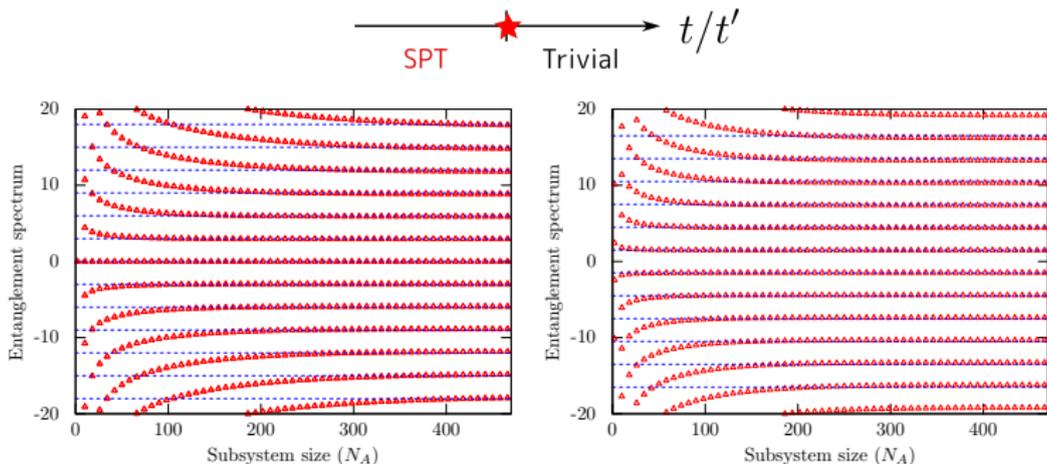
Here, $A = \text{vacuum}$ and $B = \text{SPT}$. ["RG domain wall" idea:]

- Spectrum is given by half of the full CFT:

$$H_e = \text{const.} \frac{L_0}{\log(\xi/a)}$$

Numerics: SSH model

- Spectrum depends on type of boundaries (type of SPTs): There is *symmetry-protected degeneracy* in the topological phase.



BCFT and SPT

- Entanglement spectrum for gapped phases is given by BCFT
- When the gapped phase is an SPT, the topological invariant can also be computed from BCFT. [Cho-Shiozaki-Ryu-Ludwig (16)]
- Switching space and time,

$$Z = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta/\ell L_0} = \langle A | e^{-\ell/\beta(L_0 + \bar{L}_0)} | B \rangle \quad (44)$$

we introduce **boundary states** $|A\rangle$ and $|B\rangle$:

$$(L_n - \bar{L}_{-n})|B\rangle = 0, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (45)$$

- From $|B\rangle$, the corresponding SPT phase can be identified by the phase

$$g|B\rangle_h = \varepsilon_B(g|h)|B\rangle_h, \quad g, h \in G$$

where $|B\rangle_h$ is the boundary state in h -twisted sector. This phase is called the discrete torsion phase $\varepsilon_B(g|h) \in H^2(G, U(1))$.

Boundary states as gapped states

- Conformally invariant boundary states, $(L_n - \bar{L}_{-n})|B\rangle = 0$.
- Boundary states $|B\rangle$ do not have real-space correlations:

$$\langle B|e^{-\epsilon H} \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \cdots \mathcal{O}_n(x_n) e^{-\epsilon H} |B\rangle / \langle B|e^{-2\epsilon H} |B\rangle$$

where x_1, \dots, x_n refer n different spacial positions. In the limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ with $x_i \neq x_j$ the correlation function factorizes and does not depend on $x_i - x_j$.

- Boundary states represent a highly excited state within the Hilbert space of a gapless conformal field theory and can be viewed as gapped ground states. [Miyaji-Ryu-Takayanagi-Wen (14), Cardy (17), Konechny (17)]

Free fermion example

- A massive free massive Dirac fermion in (1+1)d:

$$H = \int dx \left[-i\psi^\dagger \sigma_z \partial_x \psi + m\psi^\dagger \sigma_x \psi \right], \quad \psi = (\psi_L, \psi_R)^T$$

- The ground state of this Hamiltonian is given by

$$|GS\rangle = \exp \left[\sum_{k>0} \frac{m}{\sqrt{m^2 + k^2} + k} \left(\psi_{Lk}^\dagger \psi_{Rk} + \psi_{R-k}^\dagger \psi_{L-k} \right) \right] |G_L\rangle \otimes |G_R\rangle$$

where $\psi_{L,Rk}$ is the Fourier component of $\psi_{L,R}(x)$, and $|G_{L,R}\rangle$ is the Fock vacuum of the left- and right-moving sector. In the limit $m \rightarrow \infty$ ($m/(v_F k) \rightarrow \infty$), $|GS\rangle$ reduces to the boundary states of the free massless fermion theory.

More details

- SPT phases in (1+1)d are classified by group cohomology $H^2(G, U(1))$.
[Chen-Gu-Liu-Wen (02)] Recall:

$$V(g)V(h) = e^{i\alpha(g,h)}V(gh) \quad (46)$$

- CFT context: Discrete torsion phases in CFT [Vafa (86) ...] and in BCFT [Douglas (98) ...].
- Discrete torsion phases and entanglement spectrum (symmetry-protected degeneracy):
Twisted partition function:

$$Z_{AB}^h = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{AB}} \left[\hat{h} e^{-\beta H_{AB}^{\text{open}}} \right]$$

vanishes when $A \neq B$. (symmetry-enforced vanishing of partition function).

Exchange time and space, $Z_{AB}^h = {}_h \langle A | e^{-\frac{\ell}{2} H^{\text{closed}}} | B \rangle_h$ and insert g to show

$$[\varepsilon_B(g|h) - \varepsilon_A(g|h)] Z_{AB}^h = 0$$

Remark: F-theorem

- Is there an analogue of c and c -theorem in $(2+1)d$? (No weyl anomaly in $(2+1)d$)
- EE of a disc D of radius R [Ryu-Takayanagi (06), Myers-Sinha (10)]:

$$S_D(R) = \alpha \frac{2\pi R}{\epsilon} - F(R) \quad (51)$$

F at the critical point is a universal constant. C.f. topological entanglement entropy.

- F is related to the partition functions on a sphere S^3 , $F = -\log Z(S^3)$ [Casini-Huerta-Myers (11)].
F-theorem: [Jafferis et al (11), Klebanov et al (11)]:

$$F_{UV} \geq F_{IR}$$

- Entropic \mathcal{F} function: [Liu-Mezzi (13)]

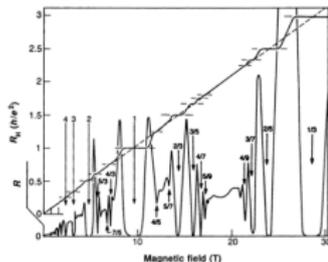
$$\mathcal{F}(R) = \left(R \frac{\partial}{\partial R} - 1 \right) S_D(R) \quad (52)$$

$\mathcal{F}(R)|_{CFT} = F$ and $\mathcal{F}'(R) \leq 0$ [Casini-Huerta (12)]

- Applications [Grover (12), ...] Stationarity ?

Topological phases of matter

- Topologically ordered phases: phases which support anyons (\simeq support topology dependent ground state degeneracy)
- E.g., fractional quantum Hall states,



\mathbb{Z}_2 quantum spin liquid, etc.

- Quantum phases which are not described by the symmetry-breaking paradigm. (I.e., Landau-Ginzburg type of theories)
- Instead, characterized by properties of anyons (fusion, braiding, etc.) (I.e., topological quantum field theories)

Algebraic theory of anyons

- (Bosonic) topological orders are believed to be fully characterized by a unitary modular tensor category (UMTC).
- (i) Finite set of anyons $\{1, a, b, \dots\}$ equipped with **quantum dimensions** $\{1, d_a, d_b, \dots\}$ ($d_a \geq 1$). Total quantum dimension D :

$$D = \sqrt{\sum_a d_a^2} \quad (53)$$

- (ii) **Fusion** $a \times b = \sum_c N_{ab}^c c$.
- (iii) **The modular T matrix**, $T = \text{diag}(1, \theta_a, \theta_b, \dots)$ where $\theta_a = \exp 2\pi i h_a$ is the self-statistical angle of a with h_a **the topological spin** of a .
- (iv) **The modular S matrix** encodes the braiding between anyons, and given by (“defined by”)

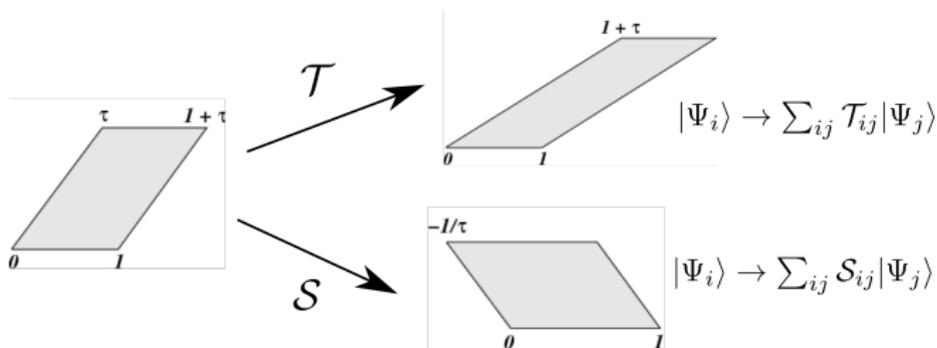
$$S_{ab} = \frac{1}{D} \sum_c N_{ab}^c \frac{\theta_c}{\theta_a \theta_b} d_c. \quad (54)$$

Chiral central charge

- There may be topologically ordered phases with the same braiding properties, but different values of c , **the chiral central charge** of the edge modes.
- Albeit the same braiding properties, they cannot be smoothly deformed to each other without closing the energy gap.
- Topological order is conjectured to be fully characterized by (S, T, c)

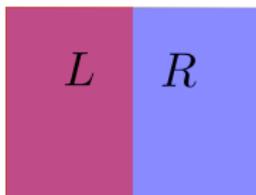
Ground states and S and T

- Ground state degeneracy depending on the topology of the space (topological ground state degeneracy), related to the presence of anyons [Wen (90)]
- Ground state degeneracy on a spatial torus, $\{|\Psi_i\rangle\}$.
- S and T are extracted from the transformation law of $\{|\Psi_i\rangle\}$ [Wen (92)]



Topologically ordered phases and quantum entanglement

- Consider: the reduced density matrix ρ_A obtained from a ground state $|GS\rangle$ of a topologically-ordered phase by tracing out half-space.



$$\rho_A \propto \text{Tr}_R e^{-\epsilon H} |B.S.\rangle \langle B.S.| e^{-\epsilon H}$$

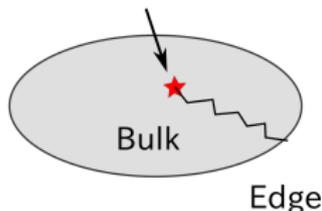
[Qi-Katsura-Ludwig (12), Fliss et al. (17), Wong (17)]

- Different (Ishibashi) boundary states correspond to different ground states
- With this explicit form of the reduced density matrix, various entanglement measures can be computed: [Wen-Matsuura-SR]
 - the entanglement entropy
 - the mutual information
 - the entanglement negativity

Bulk-boundary correspondence

- Bulk anyon \leftrightarrow twisted boundary conditions at edge:

quasiparticle (anyon)



- Bulk wfn $|\Psi_i\rangle \leftrightarrow$ boundary partition function χ_i
- Bulk S and T matrices acting on $|\Psi_i\rangle$ on *spatial torus*
 \leftrightarrow
 S and T matrices acting on boundary partition function χ_i on *spacetime torus* [Cappelli (96), ...]

$$\chi_a(e^{-\frac{4\pi\beta}{l}}) = \sum_{a'} S_{aa'} \chi_{a'}(e^{-\frac{\pi l}{\beta}}) \quad (55)$$

- Conformal BC: $L_n|b\rangle = \bar{L}_{-n}|b\rangle$ ($\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$)
- Ishibashi boundary state:

$$|h_a\rangle\rangle \equiv \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{d_{h_a}(N)} |h_a, N; j\rangle \otimes \overline{|h_a, N; j\rangle} \quad (56)$$

- Topological sector dependent normalization (regularization):

$$|\mathfrak{h}_a\rangle\rangle = \frac{e^{-\epsilon H}}{\sqrt{\mathfrak{n}_a}} |h_a\rangle\rangle \quad \text{so that} \quad \langle\langle \mathfrak{h}_a | \mathfrak{h}_b \rangle\rangle = \delta_{ab}. \quad (57)$$

- More generically, one can consider a superposition $|\psi\rangle = \sum_a \psi_a |\mathfrak{h}_a\rangle\rangle$
- Reduced density matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{L,a} &= \text{Tr}_R(|\mathfrak{h}_a\rangle\rangle\langle\langle \mathfrak{h}_a|) \\ &= \sum_{N,j} \frac{1}{\mathfrak{n}_a} e^{-\frac{8\pi\epsilon}{l}(h_a+N-\frac{c}{24})} |h_a, N; j\rangle\langle h_a, N; j|. \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

Some details

- Trance of the reduced density matrix:

$$\mathrm{Tr}_L (\rho_{L,a})^n = \frac{1}{\mathbf{n}_a^n} \chi_a \left(e^{-\frac{8\pi n \epsilon}{l}} \right) = \frac{\chi_a \left(e^{-\frac{8\pi n \epsilon}{l}} \right)}{\chi_a \left(e^{-\frac{8\pi \epsilon}{l}} \right)^n} \quad (59)$$

- Modular transformation

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_a \left(e^{-\frac{8\pi n \epsilon}{l}} \right) &= \sum_{a'} \mathcal{S}_{aa'} \chi_{a'} \left(e^{-\frac{\pi l}{2n\epsilon}} \right) \\ &\rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{a0} \times e^{\frac{\pi c l}{48n\epsilon}} \quad (l/\epsilon \rightarrow \infty), \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

i.e., only the identity field I , labeled by “0” here, survives the limit.

- Hence, in the thermodynamic limit $l/\epsilon \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\mathrm{Tr}_L (\rho_{L,a})^n = \frac{\sum_{a'} \mathcal{S}_{aa'} \chi_{a'} \left(e^{-\frac{\pi l}{2n\epsilon}} \right)}{\left[\sum_{a'} \mathcal{S}_{aa'} \chi_{a'} \left(e^{-\frac{\pi l}{2\epsilon}} \right) \right]^n} \rightarrow e^{\frac{\pi c l}{48\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{n} - n \right)} (\mathcal{S}_{a0})^{1-n}, \quad (61)$$

- Final result:

$$S_L^{(n)} = \frac{1+n}{n} \cdot \frac{\pi c}{48} \cdot \frac{l}{\epsilon} - \ln \mathcal{D} + \frac{1}{1-n} \ln d_a^{1-n}$$
$$S_L^{\text{vN}} = \frac{\pi c}{24} \cdot \frac{l}{\epsilon} - \ln \mathcal{D} + \ln d_a \quad (62)$$

where

$$\mathcal{S}_{a0} = d_a / \mathcal{D} \quad (63)$$

is the quantum dimension.

Lessons

- Entanglement cut may be more useful than physical cut.
- Entanglement and universal information of many-body systems.
- Entanglement can tell the direction of the RG flow.
- Entanglement and spacetime physics
- Entanglement has a topological interpretation in particular in topological field theories.
- ...