# Analytical and numerical methods



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#### Ground states of local Hamiltonians

• Local Hamiltonians  $H = \sum_{j} h_{j}$ 



Models for strongly correlated matter



#### Ground states of local Hamiltonians



- Energy gap  $\Delta(H) = E_1 E_0 > 0$
- Ground states of gapped models have exponentially decaying correlations
  - Proof based on Lieb-Robinson bounds

Hastings, Koma, Commun Math Phys 265, 781 (2006) Nachtergaele, Sims, Commun Math Phys 265, 119 (2006)

Combinatorical proof (detectability lemma)

Aharonov, Arad, Landau, Vazirani, arXiv:1011.3445



- Area laws for the entanglement entropy  $S(\rho_A) = O(|\partial A|)$
- Proven in >1D for gapped free bosonic and fermionic systems and models in same quantum phase as one fulfilling an area law

Eisert, Cramer, Plenio, Rev Mod Phys 82, 277 (2010) Van Acoleyen, Marien, Verstraete, Phys Rev Lett 111, 17501 (2013) Plenio, Eisert, Dreissig, Cramer, Phys Rev Lett 94, 060503 (2005)



#### • All gapped models in **1D** satify an area law

Hastings, Koma, Commun Math Phys 265, 781 (2006) Aharonov, Arad, Landau, Vazirani, arXiv:1011.3445 Brandao, Horodecki, arXiv:1206.2947



- Matrix-product states approximate GS of gapped models well: Functioning of DMRG
- Higher-dimensional tensor network states

#### Overview over talk

#### **1. What happens at finite temperature?**

- Locality of temperature
- Clustering of correlations
- Tensor network approximations

#### Overview over talk



#### 2. Many-body localisation and disordered models?

- Many complementing views on the problem
- Dynamical and static readings
- A new result on matrix-product states

#### Announcement of posters :)



Posters on numerical techniques for strongly correlated systems

- Tensor network methods in *quantum chemistry*
- Continuous matrix-product states and *quantum field tomography*
- A positive tensor network methods for simulating open systems

Krumnow, Legeza, Schneider, Eisert, soon (2014) Steffens, Friesdorf, Langen, Rauer, Schweigler, Huebener, Schmiedmayer, Riofrio, Eisert, arXiv:1406.3632 Steffens, Riofrio, Huebener, Eisert, arXiv:1406.3631 Kliesch, Gross, Eisert, Phys Rev Lett 113 (2014) Jaschke, Silvi, Calarco, Werner, Eisert, Montangero, soon (2014)

# Clustering of correlations in thermal states

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• Gibbs states 
$$g[H] = \frac{e^{-\beta H}}{\operatorname{tr}(e^{-\beta H})}$$

• At what length scales is temperature well-defined?



#### Thermal states of quantum many-body systems



• Again, GS of gapped Hamiltonians have clustering correlations

• Is there a thermal analogue?

#### Thermal states of quantum many-body systems



• **Critical temperature**, dependent only on crude properties of graph (+ coupling strength), above which correlations cluster?

• Long-standing **open question**, results known for **classical and continuum models**, some (few) insights into quantum lattice models

Araki, Commun Math Phys 38,1 (1974) Ruelle, Rev Mod Phys 36, 580 (1964) Ginibre, J Math Phys 6, 252 (1965) Greenberg, Commun Math Phys 13, 335 (1969) Brattelli, Robinson, Operator algebras in quantum statistical mechanics (Springer, 1981)

#### Thermal states of quantum many-body systems



• Yes :)

#### General clustering of correlations at high temperatures

$$\xi(\beta) = \left| 1/\ln(\alpha e^{2|\beta|J}(e^{2|\beta|J} - 1)) \right|$$

• Clustering of correlations in thermal states: Consider local Hamiltonian on arbitrary regular lattice,  $J := \max ||h_k||$  coupling strength, then exists critical inverse temperature

$$\beta^* := \log((1 + \sqrt{1 + 4/\alpha}/2)/(2J))$$

such that for all  $\beta < \beta^*$  and  $d(A, B) \ge L_0$ 

$$C_{g[H]}(A,B) \leq \frac{4\min\{|\partial A|, |\partial B|\}}{\log(3)} \frac{\|f\| \|g\|}{1 - e^{-1/\xi(\beta)}} e^{-d(A,B)\xi(\beta)}$$
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- $\alpha$  lattice animal constant
- General statement for arbitrary lattices and covariances

#### Lattice animal constants



- Connected set of edges: Lattice animal
- Number  $a_m$  of lattice animals F of size m = |F|
- Lattice animal constant: Smallest  $\alpha$  such that  $a_m \leq \alpha^m$

#### Flavour of proof

Define generalized covariance  $\operatorname{Cov}_{\rho}^{\tau}(f,g) = \operatorname{tr}(\rho^{\tau} f \rho^{1-\tau} g) - \operatorname{tr}(\rho f) \operatorname{tr}(\rho g), \ \tau \in [0,1]$ 

Multiple "swap-trick"  
Write 
$$\operatorname{Cov}_{\rho}^{\tau}(f,g) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \left( \mathcal{S}^{(1,3)} \mathcal{S}^{(2,4)}(f^{(-)} \otimes g^{(-)})(\rho^{\tau} \otimes \rho^{\tau} \otimes \rho^{1-\tau} \otimes \rho^{1-\tau}) \right)$$
  
on four copies, where  $f^{(-)} = f \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes f$ 



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Cluster expansion of new Hamiltonian 
$$\tilde{H}$$
$$\frac{e^{-\beta \tilde{H}}}{\operatorname{tr}(e^{-\beta \tilde{H}})} = \rho^{\tau} \otimes \rho^{\tau} \otimes \rho^{1-\tau} \otimes \rho^{1-\tau}$$

#### Flavour of proof



Symmetry: Only clusters connecting A and B contribute

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**Truncated cluster expansion** 

$$\left\|\sum_{w\in C_{\geq L}(F)} \frac{(-\beta)^{|w|}}{|w!|} h(w)\right\|_{1} \leq Z(\beta) \left(e^{|F|\frac{b(\beta)^{L}}{1-b(\beta)}} - 1\right)$$

Kliesch, Gogolin, Kastoryano, Riera, Eisert, Phys Rev X 4, 031019 (2014) Hastings, Phys Rev B 73, 085115 (2006)

#### Physical implications: Bounds to Curie temperatures

1. "Critical temperature" is **universal upper bound** to phase transition points



• E.g., ferromagnetic **2d isotropic Ising model** without external field,  $1/(J\beta^*) = 24.58$ , while phase transition known to happen at 2.27

#### Locality of temperature

#### 2. Length scale of temperature



$$tr(Ag[H(0)]) - tr(Ag[H]) = \beta \int_0^1 d\tau \int_0^1 ds Cov_{g[H(s)]}^\tau(A, H_I)$$

 $H(s) = H - (1 - s)H_I$ 

#### Locality of temperature



$$\|g_A[H] - g_A[H(0)]\|_1 \le \frac{v|\beta|J}{1 - e^{-1/\xi(\beta)}} e^{-d(A,\partial A)/\xi(\beta)}$$

#### Stability of high temperature thermal states



#### Efficient computation of expectation values

4. Local expectation can be efficiently computed



5. Matrix-product operator approximation



Hastings, Phys Rev B 73, 085115 (2006) Kliesch, Gogolin, Kastoryano, Riera, Eisert, Phys Rev X 4, 031019 (2014)

• Exciting follow-up: PEPO approx for Gibbs states with bond dim  $D = (N/\varepsilon)^{O(\beta)}$ 

Molnar, Schuch, Verstraete, Cirac, arXiv:1406.2973

## Interacting fermions

6. All also true for interacting fermions



• Generalizing earlier results on fermionic covariance matrices (second moments)

Hastings, Phys Rev Lett 93, 126402 (2004)

- Lessons:
- Length scale at which one can speak of temperature
- High temperature thermal states have clustering correlations
- Tensor network approximations

# Many-body localisation and matrix-product states



• One particle hopping on a line for an i.i.d. disordered Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{j} (|j\rangle\langle j+1| + |j+1\rangle\langle j|) + \sum_{j} f_{j}|j\rangle\langle j|$$

(or non-interacting particles)

• Static reading: <

• Dynamical reading:

 All eigenfunctions exponentially decaying correlations  $\mathbb{E}(\sup_{t} |\langle n|e^{-itH}|m\rangle|) \le c_1 e^{-c_2 \operatorname{dist}(n,m)}$ 

- Does Anderson localisation survive finite interactions?
- Yes: Many-body localisation (MBL)
- Far from well-understood



• Anderson insulators with **perturbative interactions** 

 $H = H_0 + \lambda H_{\rm int}$ 

- Solve single-particle problem, build Fock space of Slater dets
- Consider "localisation in Fock space"

Basko, Aleiner, Altshuler, Ann Phys 321, 1126 (2006)

Anderson, Phys Rev 109, 1492 (1958) Nandkishore, Huse, arXiv:1404.0686

#### Static definition as MBL having MPS eigenstates





• Slow entanglement entropy growth following quenches



Badarson, Pollmann, Moore, Phys Rev Lett 109, 017202 (2012)

## Dynamical localisation: Zero-velocity Lieb-Robinson bounds

• Strong dynamical localisation: All transport is blocked for arbitrary states





## Dynamical localisation: Zero-velocity Lieb-Robinson bounds



- Excitations get stuck: Action of local unitaries not detectable far away  $|\psi\rangle=U|0\rangle=e^{-iG}|0\rangle$ 

 $|\langle 0|A(t)|0\rangle - \langle e|e^{iG}A(t)e^{-iG}|0\rangle| \le \min(t,1)||G||Ce^{-\mu d(A,U)}$ 

• Numerical evidence, say, for this for the Heisenberg model with disorder with exact diagonalisation, by us and others, see talk by Nicolas)

Can the dynamical picture and the static be related?



• Theorem (clustering of correlations of eigenvectors)

a) If the Hamiltonian shows strong dynamical localisation then all its eigenvectors have exponentially clustering correlations  $|\langle k|AB|k \rangle - \langle k|A|k \rangle \langle k|B|k \rangle| \leq 4c_{\text{loc}}e^{-\mu d(A,B)/2}$ 

b) If the Hamiltonian has a mobility edge at energy, eigenstates below mob edge  $\begin{aligned} |\langle k|AB|k\rangle - \langle k|A|k\rangle\langle k|B|k\rangle| \\ \leq \left(12\pi 2^N \mathcal{N}(E_k + \kappa)c_{\text{mob}} + \ln\frac{\pi\mu d(A, B)e^{4+2\pi}}{\kappa^2}\right) \frac{e^{-\mu d(A, B)/2}}{2\pi}\end{aligned}$ 

where  $\mathcal{N}(E)$  is normalized integrated density of states at energy E and  $\kappa > 0$ 



Builds upon and generalised both Hastings, Koma, Commun Math Phys 265, 119 (2006) Hamsa, Sims, Stolz, Commun Math Phys 315, 215 (2012)



Friesdorf, Werner, Scholz, Brown, Eisert, soon (2014)

## Matrix-product states from dynamical localisation



Brandao, Horodecki, Nat Phys 9, 721 (2013) Friesdorf, Werner, Scholz, Brown, Eisert, soon (2014)

#### Dynamical and static pictures



- Lesson:
- Low energy eigenstates (not only ground states) are matrix-product states of low bond dimension
- Bringing together definitions of (many-body) localisation

## A teaser on posters

• Interacting fermionic problems in quantum chemistry

$$H = \sum_{i,j} T_{i,j} c_i^{\dagger} c_j + \sum_{i,j,k,l} c_i^{\dagger} c_j^{\dagger} c_k c_l \qquad (c_1, \dots, c_n)$$

• Adaptive mode transformations: Combine MPS with local fermionic mode updates  $(c_1, \ldots, c_n) \mapsto (c'_1, \ldots, c'_n)$ 





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#### Positive tensor network approach for open quantum systems

• Open systems simulation with locally purified MPOs

$$\mathcal{L}(\rho) = -i\sum_{j} [h_j, \rho] + \sum_{j} \left( L_j \rho L_j^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2} \{ L_j^{\dagger} L_j, \rho \} \right)$$



Kliesch, Gross, Eisert, Phys Rev Lett 113 (2014) Jaschke, Silvi, Calarco, Werner, Eisert, Montangero, soon (2014) Quantum field tomography and continuous MPS

• Simulations with continuous matrix product states

$$|\psi\rangle = \operatorname{tr}(\mathcal{P}e^{\int_0^L dx(Q\otimes 1) + R\otimes \Psi^{\dagger}(x)})|\Omega\rangle \quad [\Psi(y), \Psi^{\dagger}(x)] = \delta(x-y)$$

- Quantum field tomography: Reconstruct cMPS based on correlation functions
- Apply to experiments with cold atoms



Steffens, Friesdorf, Langen, Rauer, Schweigler, Huebener, Schmiedmayer, Riofrio, Eisert, arXiv:1406.3632 Steffens, Riofrio, Huebener, Eisert, arXiv:1406.3631

#### Summary

