

Quandary for Spin Chain Simulations

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Quandary simulates the dynamics of general composite open and closed quantum systems

- Composite of Q (coupled) subsystems, each with n_q finite energy levels $\Rightarrow N = \prod_q n_q$

- Closed** systems (unitary evolution):

Quandary solves **Schroedinger's equation** for the state vector $\psi \in \mathbb{C}^N$

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = -iH(t)\psi$$

- Open** systems to account for decoherence:

Quandary solves **Lindblad's master equation** for the density matrix $\rho \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -i(H(t)\rho - \rho H(t)) + L(\rho) \quad \text{Decay and Dephasing: } L(\rho) = \sum_{k=1,2} L_k \rho L_k^\dagger - \frac{1}{2}(L_k^\dagger L_k \rho + \rho L_k^\dagger L_k)$$

- Symplectic time-stepping scheme to evolve initial states at time $t=0$ to a final time $t=T$

Default system and control Hamiltonian to model superconducting quantum devices

$$H(t) = H_{sys} + H_c(t)$$

- System Hamiltonian model:

$$H_{sys} = \sum_{j=1}^Q \omega_j a_j^\dagger a_j - \frac{\xi_j}{2} a_j^\dagger a_j^\dagger a_j a_j - \sum_{i>j} \xi_{ji} a_j^\dagger a_j^\dagger a_i a_i - J_{ji} (a_j^\dagger a_i + a_j a_i^\dagger)$$

Qubit frequencies, anharmonicity

Coupling: ZZ- and/or Jaynes-Cummings

- Control Hamiltonian models the action of external pulses

$$H_c(t) = \sum_{j=1}^Q f_j(t) (a_j + a_j^\dagger)$$

External pulses can be either specified (simulation), or optimized for to reach a desired system behavior

Lowering operator for qubit j:

$$a_j = I \otimes \cdots \otimes \hat{a} \otimes \cdots \otimes I$$

$$\text{with } \hat{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Python interface for general Hamiltonian systems

- Quandary can simulate and optimize with **arbitrary user-defined Hamiltonian systems**

$$H(t) = H_{\text{sys}} + H_c(t) \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$$

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = -iH(t)\psi \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d\rho}{dt} = -i(H(t)\rho - \rho H(t)) + L(\rho)$$

- Multiple user-defined control operators and transfer functions can be defined

$$H_c(t) = \sum_{c=1,2,\dots} u(p(t)) H_c^{Re} + iv(q(t)) H_c^{Im}$$

Control operators

Transfer functions

```
def getHd():
```

Example script for a user-defined system Hamiltonian

```
    a = getLoweringOperators()
```

```
    # Define the system parameters
```

```
    omega0 = 4.0 * 2*np.pi
```

```
    omega1 = 5.0 * 2*np.pi
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```
    rot0 = 3.9 * 2*np.pi
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```
    rot1 = 4.7 * 2*np.pi
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```
    xi0 = 0.2 * 2*np.pi
```

```
    xi1 = 0.3 * 2*np.pi
```

```
    g01 = 0.01 * 2*np.pi
```

```
    # Set up the constant system Hamiltonian
```

```
    Hd = \
```

```
        + (omega0-rot0) * ( a[0].getH() * a[0] ) - xi0/2.0 * (a[0].getH() * a[0].getH() * a[0] * a[0]) \
        + (omega1-rot1) * ( a[1].getH() * a[1] ) - xi1/2.0 * (a[1].getH() * a[1].getH() * a[1] * a[1]) \
        - g01 * a[0].getH() * a[0] * a[1].getH() * a[1]
```

```
    return Hd
```


Quantum Spin Chain Dynamics

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left(\hat{\sigma}_j^x \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^x + \hat{\sigma}_j^y \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^y \right) + U \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \hat{\sigma}_j^z \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^z + \sum_{j=1}^N h_j \hat{\sigma}_j^z,$$

- (i) *The XX chain*, defined by $U = 0$ and $h_j = 0$. This is a uniform, non-interacting model.
- (ii) *Disordered XX chain* for $U = 0$ and h_j uniformly randomly sampled from the interval $[-h, h]$. This is the prototypical lattice model for Anderson localization.⁵⁹
- (iii) *XXZ spin chain*, defined by $U \neq 0$ and $h_j = 0$. This is a particular case of the Heisenberg model for quantum magnetism.

Initial state at $t=0$:

Domain wall

$$|\cdots \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \cdots \rangle \longrightarrow$$

Neel

$$|\cdots \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \cdots \rangle \longrightarrow$$

Observables / Diagnostics:

- Local magnetization: $M_j(t) = \langle \psi(t) | \sigma_j^z | \psi(t) \rangle$
- Spreading of the domain wall: $N_{half}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N/2} \frac{1}{2} \langle \psi(t) | \sigma_j^z + I | \psi(t) \rangle$

Map 1D spin chain Pauli algebra to creation/annihilation algebra as used in Quandary

$$\hat{H} = -J \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (\hat{\sigma}_j^x \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^x + \hat{\sigma}_j^y \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^y)}_{I.} + U \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \hat{\sigma}_j^z \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^z}_{II.} + \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^N h_j \hat{\sigma}_j^z}_{III.},$$

$$I. \quad -J(\sigma_j^x \sigma_{j+1}^x + \sigma_j^y \sigma_{j+1}^y) = -2J(a_j a_{j+1}^\dagger + a_j^\dagger a_{j+1})$$

$$II. \quad U \sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^z = U(4a_j^\dagger a_j a_{j+1}^\dagger a_{j+1} - 2a_j^\dagger a_j - 2a_{j+1}^\dagger a_{j+1} + I)$$

$$III. \quad h_j \sigma_j^z = h_j(-2a_j^\dagger a_j + I)$$

➤ Lowering operator $a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

➤ Pauli matrices:

$$\sigma^x = (a + a^\dagger)$$

$$\sigma^y = -i(a - a^\dagger)$$

$$\sigma^z = -2a^\dagger a + I$$

$$\Rightarrow H = -2 \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} J(a_j a_{j+1}^\dagger + a_j^\dagger a_{j+1}) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} 2U a_j^\dagger a_j a_{j+1}^\dagger a_{j+1} - 2 \sum_{j=2}^{N-1} (h_j + 2U) a_j^\dagger a_j + \sum_{j=2}^{N-1} (h_j + U)I + (h_1 + h_N)I$$

Compare to Quandary model: $H_{\text{sys}} = \sum_{j=1}^N \omega_j a_j^\dagger a_j - \frac{\xi_j}{2} a_j^\dagger a_j (a_j^\dagger a_j - I) + \sum_{i>j} -\xi_{ji} a_j^\dagger a_j a_i^\dagger a_i + J_{ij} (a_i^\dagger a_j + a_i a_j^\dagger)$

Quandary execution to simulate spin chain dynamics

$$H_{\text{spinchain}} = \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (h_j + 2U) a_j^\dagger a_j - \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} 2U a_j^\dagger a_j a_{j+1}^\dagger a_{j+1} + \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} J (a_j a_{j+1}^\dagger + a_j^\dagger a_{j+1})$$

$$H_{\text{Quandary}} = \sum_{j=1}^N \omega_j a_j^\dagger a_j + \sum_{i>j} -\xi_{ji} a_j^\dagger a_j a_i^\dagger a_i + \sum_{i>j} J_{ij} (a_i^\dagger a_j + a_i a_j^\dagger)$$

“transfreq” “crossker” “Jkl”

- Quandary (C++) is executed through a configuration file

```
>./main config_file.cfg
```

- Configuration options for spin chain simulation:

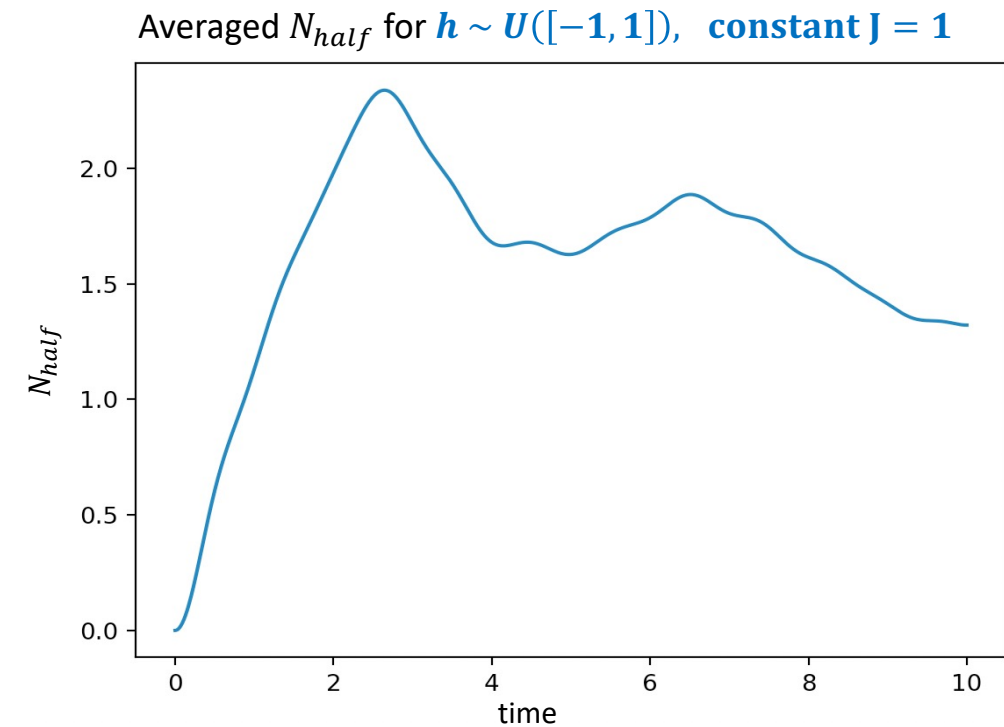
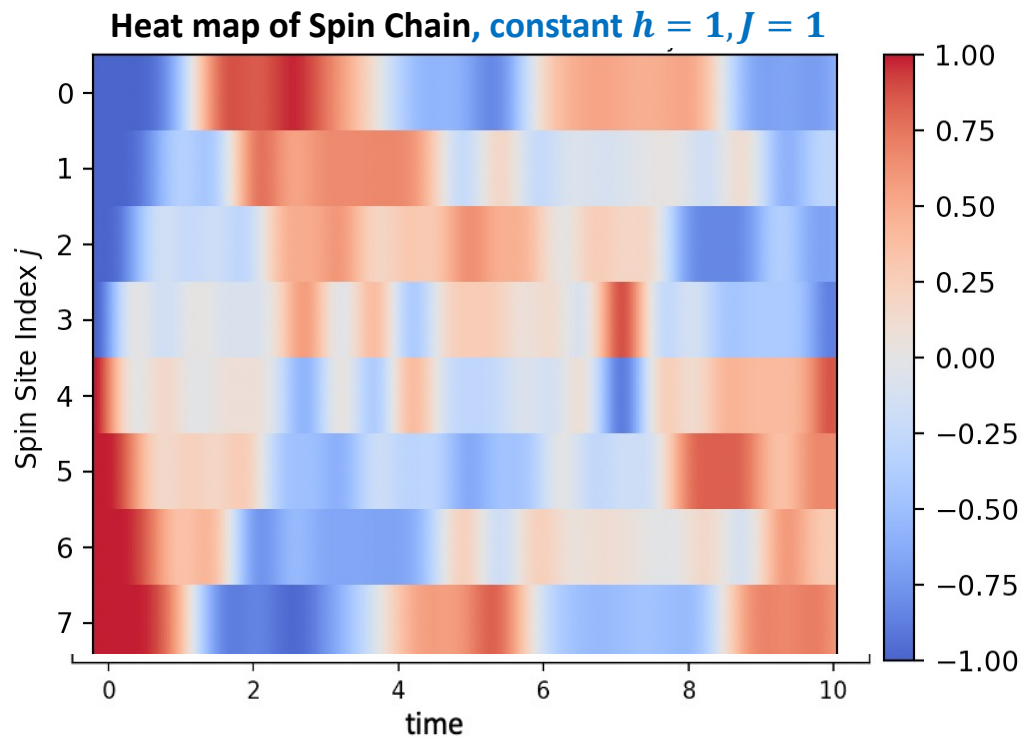
- Set number of sites and levels: `nlevels = 2, 2, ..., 2`
- Set transition frequencies: `transfreq = h1+2U, ..., hN+2U`
- Set Jaynes-Cummings coupling: `Jkl = J, 0, ..., J, 0, ..., J`
- Set crossker coupling: `crossker = 2U, 0, ..., 2U, 0, ..., 2U`
- Set initial condition: `initialstate = pure, 1,1,1,...,0,0,0...`
- Turn off optimization: `optim_target = none`
- No controls: `optim_init_ampl = 0.0`

Example configuration file, 8 spin sites, U=0

```
#####
# Testcase
#####
// Number of levels per subsystem
nlevels = 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2
// Number of time steps
ntime = 1000
// Time step size (us)
dt = 0.01
// Fundamental transition frequencies (|0> to |1> transition) for each oscill
transfreq = 0.3183,0.3183,0.3183,0.3183,0.3183,0.3183,0.3183,0.3183,
// Self-kerr frequencies for each oscillator ("xi_k", multiplying a_k^d a_k^
selfkerr = 0.0
// Cross-kerr coupling frequencies for each oscillator coupling k<->l ("xi_k
crosskerr = 0.0
// Jaynes-Cummings coupling frequencies for each oscillator coupling k<->l ("
Jkl = 0.3183, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.3183, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
// Rotational wave approximation frequencies for each subsystem ("omega_rot
rotfreq = 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,
// Decide which Lindblad collapse operators are taken into account: "none", "
// Note that choosing 'none' here will solve Schroedinger's equation for the
collapse_type = none
// Specify the initial conditions:
initialcondition = pure, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0
```

Example: Disordered XX model ($U=0$)

$N=8$ spin sites



Python scripts to execute multiple simulations and gather results

run_disorderedXX.py

- Sample $h \sim U([-1,1])$
- For each sample:
 - Dump Quandary configuration files into subfolders
 - Execute Quandary simulation, or submit batch job on LC

plotresults_disorderedXX.py

- Gather results from each subfolder
- Plot

Run locally, or submit jobs on LC

```
# Specify the global config file
inputname = "spinchain"
configfile = Config(inputname + ".cfg")

# Location and name of the Quandary executable
executable = "/Users/guenther5/Numerics/quandary/main"

# Specify the number of spin sites
N = 8

# Specify the initial condition. Here: domain wall |111...000>
initstate= np.zeros(N)
for i in range(int(N/2)):
    initstate[i] = 1.0

# Specify h and J amplitudes
hamp = 1.0
Jamp = 1.0

# Specify the number of samples for h
nsamples = 10

# Submit the job(s).
for isample in range(nsamples):

    # Sample h uniform random, J fixed
    h = np.random.uniform(-hamp, hamp, N)
    J = np.ones(N)

    # Set up configuration option strings
    <...>

    # Create subfolder and config file
    <...>

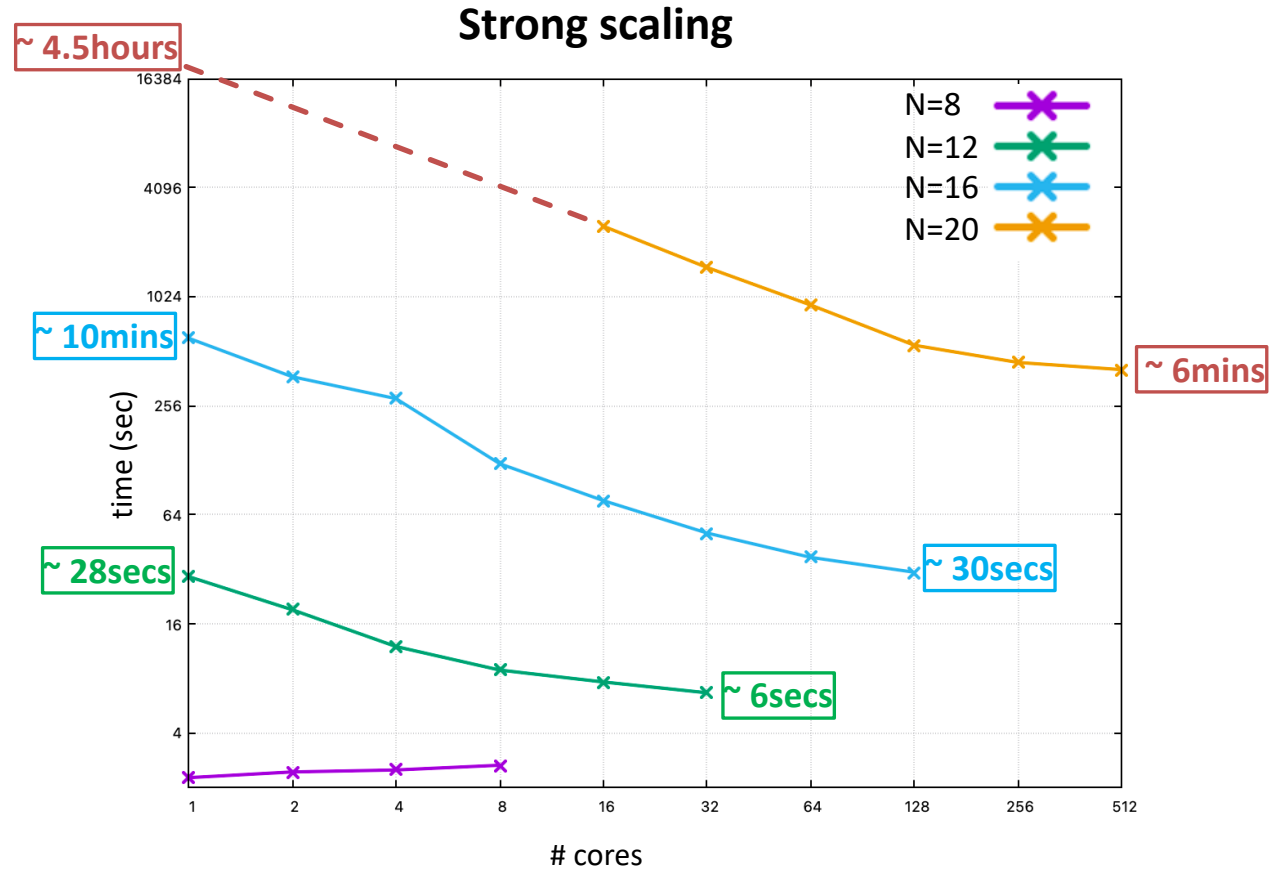
    # submit the job
    os.chdir(jobname)
    submit_job_local(jobname, executable, newconfigfile, True)
    os.chdir("../")
```

Parallel scaling on LC Quartz

N	# time steps	# cores
8	1000	
12	1500	[1,...32]
16	2000	[1,...,128]
20	2500	[16,...,512]

Increase number of spin sites:

- $\dim(H_N) = 2^N$
- $T=[0,10]$
- Number of time-steps scales with $O(N)$
- Schroedinger solver





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