# Q<sup>u</sup>Sρ;N: a Python Package for Dynamics and Exact Diagonalisation of Quantum Many Body Systems part I: spin chains

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#### Abstract

We present a new open-source Python package for quantum dynamics of spin chains based on exact diagonalisation, called  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$ . The package is well-suited to study, among others, quantum quenches at finite and infinite times, the Eigenstate Thermalisation hypothesis, many-body localisation and other dynamical phase transitions, periodically-driven (Floquet) systems, adiabatic and counter-diabatic ramps, and spin-photon interactions. Moreover,  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$ 's user-friendly interface can easily be used in combination with other Python packages which makes it amenable to a high-level customisation. We explain how to use  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  using three detailed examples: (i) adiabatic ramping of parameters in the many-body localised XXZ model, (ii) heating in the periodically-driven transverse-field Ising model in a parallel field, and (iii) quantised light-atom interactions: recovering the periodically-driven atom in the semi-classical limit of a static Hamiltonian.

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# 1 What Problems can I Solve with $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$ ?

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The study of quantum many-body dynamics comprises a variety of problems, such as dynamical phase transitions (e.g. many-body localisation), thermalising long-time evolution, adiabatic change of parameters, periodically-driven systems, and many others. In contrast to the tremendous progress made in studying low-energy phenomena based on well-developed sophisticated techniques, such as Quantum Monte Carlo methods, Density Matrix Renormalisation Group, Matrix Product States, Dynamical Mean-Field Theory, etc., one of the most popular "cutting-edge" investigation technique for out-of-equilibrium quantum many-body problems is 'old school' exact diagonalisation (ED).

Over the last years, there appeared a positive tendency to develop and provide open source, freely accessible numerical packages and libraries which contribute to widespread the use of such numerical techniques among the condensed matter community: the Algorithms and Libraries for Physics Simulations (ALPS), the C++ library ITensor, as well as the Quantum Toolbox in Python (QuTiP) are among the most common available and freely accessible tools. In this paper, we report on a newly developed optimised open-source Python package for dynamics and exact diagonalisation of quantum many-body spin systems, called  $Q^{u}S\rho_{!}N$ .

In  $Q^{\mathsf{u}}S\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$ , quantum many-body operators are represented as matrices, the computation of which is done through custom code written in Cython. Cython is an optimizing static compiler which takes code written in a syntax similar to Python, and compiles it into a highly efficient C/C++ shared library. These libraries are then easily interfaced with Python, but can run orders of magnitude faster than pure Python codes do[1]. The quantum operators are stored as memory efficient SciPy sparse matrices. This allows  $Q^{\mathsf{u}}S\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  to easily interface with mature Python packages, such as NumPy and SciPy, or any other Python package. These packages provide reliable state-of-the-art tools for scientific computation as well as support from the Python community to regularly improve and update them[2, 3, 4, 5]. Moreover, we have included specific functionality in  $Q^{\mathsf{u}}S\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  which uses NumPy and SciPy to do many desired calculations common to ED studies, while making sure the user only has to call a few NumPy or SciPy functions directly. Last but not least,  $Q^{\mathsf{u}}S\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  has been especially

designed to construct particularly short and efficient ED codes (typically less than 200 lines, as we explicitly demonstrate in Sec. 2 and App. B). This greatly reduces the amount of time required to start a new study; it also allows users with little-to-no programming experience to do state of the art ED calculations. We, therefore, believe  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  to be of particular interest to undergraduate and graduate students, post-doctoral researchers, and young professors who can use it to quickly test new exciting ideas, build up their intuition about quantum many-body problems, or even benefit from the code in a teaching process.

Let us be specific and give a short list of 'hot' topics that can successfully be studied with the help of  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$ :

- \* quantum quenches and quantum dynamics at finite and infinite times
- \* adiabatic and counter-diabatic ramps
- \* periodically driven (Floquet) systems
- \* many-body localisation, Eigenstate Thermalisation hypothesis
- \* quantum information
- \* quantised photon-spin interactions and similar cavity QED related models
- \* dynamical phase transitions and critical phenomena
- \* machine learning with quantum many-body systems

This list is far from being complete, but it can serve as a useful guideline to the interested user. In Sec. 2, we illustrate in detail how to use  $\mathcal{Q}^{\mathsf{u}}\mathcal{S}\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$ , addressing three exciting problems, which we believe cover a wide range of interesting topics, to exemplify some of the most common  $\mathcal{Q}^{\mathsf{u}}\mathcal{S}\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  tools.

Before we close the introduction, let us describe some of the general features that make  $\mathcal{Q}^u\mathcal{S}\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  interesting and useful and which, we believe, can serve a countless number of different studies.

- A major representative feature of  $Q^{\mathsf{u}}S\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  is the construction of spin Hamiltonians containing arbitrary (possibly non-local in space) many-body operators. One example is the four-spin operator  $\mathcal{O} = \sum_j \sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^+ \sigma_{j+2}^- \sigma_{j+3}^z + \text{h.c.}$ . Such multi-spin operators are often times generated by the nested commutators typically appearing in higher-order terms of perturbative expansions, such as the Schrieffer-Wolff transformation [6] and the inverse-frequency expansion[CITE]. Sometimes they can appear in the study of exactly solvable engineered topological models.
- Another important feature is the availability to use symmetries which, if present in a given model, give rise to conservation laws leading to selection rules between the many-body states. As a result, the Hilbert space reduces to a tensor product of the Hilbert spaces corresponding to the underlying symmetry blocks. Consequently, the presence of symmetries effectively diminishes the relevant Hilbert space dimension which, in turn, allows one to study larger systems. Currently,  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$  supports the following spin chain symmetries:
  - total magnetisation (particle number in the case of hard-core bosons)

- parity (i.e. reflection w.r.t. the middle of the chain)
- spin inversion (on the entire chain but also individually for sublattices A and B)
- the joint application of parity and spin inversion (present e.g. when studying staggered or linear external potentials)
- translation symmetry
- all physically meaningful combinations of the above

As we shall see in Sec. 2, constructing Hamiltonians with given symmetries is done by specifying the desired symmetry block.

- As we mentioned above, as of present date ED methods represent one of the most reliable ways to safely study quantum dynamics in a secure, generic way. In this respect, it is important to emphasise that with  $Q^uS\rho_iN$  the user can build arbitrary time-dependent Hamiltonians. The package contains built-in routines to calculate the real (and imaginary) time evolution of any quantum state under a user-defined time-dependent Hamiltonian based on SciPy's integration tool for ordinary differential equations [5].
- Besides spin chains,  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  also allows the user to couple an arbitrary interacting spin chain to a single photon mode (i.e. quantum harmonic oscillator). In this case, the total magnetisation symmetry is replaced by the combined total photon and spin number conservation. Such an example is discussed in Sec. 2.3.

# 2 How do I use $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$ ?

One of the main advantages of  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  is its user-friendly interface. To demonstrate how the package works, we shall guide the reader step by step through a short Python code, explaining all details of a proper usage of the package. In case the reader is unfamiliar with Python, we kindly invite them to accept the challenge of learning the Python basics, while enjoying the study of quantum many-body dynamics!

Installing  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  is quick and efficient; just follow the steps outlined in App. A.

Below, we stick to the following general guidelines: first, we define the problem containing the physical quantities of interest and show their behaviour in a few figures. After that, we present the  $\mathcal{Q}^u\mathcal{S}\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  code used to generate them, broken up into its building blocks. We explain each step in great detail. The complete contiguous code, including the lines used to generate the figures shown below, is available in App. B. It is not our purpose in this paper to discuss in detail the interesting underlying physics of these systems; instead, we focus on setting up the Python code to study them with the help of  $\mathcal{Q}^u\mathcal{S}\rho_i\mathcal{N}$ , and leave the interested reader figure out the details themselves.

#### 2.1 Adiabatic Control of Parameters in Many-Body Localised Phases

Physics Setup—Strongly disordered many-body models have recently enjoyed a lot of attention in the theoretical condensed matter community. It has been shown that, beyond a critical disorder strength, these models undergo a dynamical phase transition from an delocalised ergodic

(thermalising) phase to a many-body localised (MBL), i.e. non-conducting, non-thermalising phase [CITE], in which the system violates the Eigenstate Thermalisation hypothesis [CITE].

In our first  $\mathcal{Q}^{\mathsf{u}}S\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  example, we show how one can study the adiabatic control of model parameters in many-body localised phases. It was recently argued that the adiabatic theorem does not apply to disordered systems [CITE]. On the other hand, controlling the system parameters in MBL phases is of crucial experimental[7] significance. Thus, the question as to whether there exists an adiabatic window for some, possibly intermediate, ramp speeds (as is the case for periodically-driven systems[8]), is of particular and increasing importance.

Let us consider the XXZ open chain in a disordered z-field with the Hamiltonian

$$H(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{L-2} \frac{J_{xy}}{2} \left( S_{j+1}^{+} S_{j}^{-} + \text{h.c.} \right) + J_{zz}(t) S_{j+1}^{z} S_{j}^{z} + \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} h_{j} S_{j}^{z},$$

$$J_{zz}(t) = (1/2 + vt) J_{zz}(0), \tag{1}$$

where  $J_{xy}$  is the spin-spin interaction in the xy-plane, disorder is modelled by a uniformly distributed random field  $h_j \in [-h_0, h_0]$  of strength  $h_0$  along the z-direction, and the spin-spin interaction along the z-direction  $-J_{zz}(t)$  – is the adiabatically-modulated (ramp) parameter. In the following, we set  $J_{zz}(0) = 1$  as the energy units. Note that we enumerate the L sites of the chain by  $j = 0, 1, \ldots, L - 1$  to conform with Python's array indexing convention. It has been demonstrated that this model exhibits a transition to an MBL phase [9]. In particular, for  $h_0 = h_{\text{MBL}} = 3.9$  the system is in a many-body localised phase, while for  $h_0 = h_{\text{ETH}} = 0.1$  the system is in the ergodic (ETH) delocalised phase. We now choose the ramp protocol  $J_{zz}(t) = (1/2 + vt)J_{zz}(0)$  with the ramp speed v, and evolve the system with the Hamiltonian H(t) from  $t_i = 0$  to  $t_i = (2v)^{-1}$ . We choose the initial state  $|\psi_i\rangle = |\psi(t_i)\rangle$  from the middle of the spectrum of  $H(t_i)$  to ensure typicality; more specifically we choose  $|\psi_i\rangle$  to be that eigenstate of  $H(t_i)$  whose energy is closest to the rum of middle of the spectrum of  $H(t_i)$ , where the density of states, and thus the thermodynamic entropy, is largest.

To determine whether the system can adiabatically follow the ramp, we use two different indicators: (i) we evolve the state up to time  $t_f$  and project it onto the eigenstates of  $H(t_f)$ . The corresponding diagonal entropy density:

$$s_d = -\frac{1}{L} \operatorname{tr} \left[ \rho_d \log \rho_d \right], \qquad \rho_d = \sum_n |\langle n | \psi(t_f) \rangle|^2 |n\rangle \langle n| \tag{2}$$

in the basis  $\{|n\rangle\}$  of  $H(t_f)$  at small enough ramp speeds v, is a measure of the delocalisation of the time-evolved state  $\psi(t_f)\rangle$  onto the energy eigenstates of  $H(t_f)$ . If, for instance, after the ramp the system still occupies a single eigenstate  $|\tilde{n}\rangle$ , then  $s_d=0$ . Figure ??? shows the entropies vs. ramp speed data in the MBL and ETH phases.

The second measure of adiabaticity we use is (ii) the entanglement entropy density

$$s_{\text{ent}}(t_f) = -\frac{1}{|\mathbf{A}|} \operatorname{tr}_{\mathbf{A}} \left[ \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(t_f) \log \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(t_f) \right], \qquad \rho_{\mathbf{A}}(t_f) = \operatorname{tr}_{\mathbf{A}^{c}} |\psi(t_f)\rangle \langle \psi(t_f)| \tag{3}$$

of subsystem A, defined to contain the left half of the chain and |A| = L/2. We denoted the reduced density matrix of subsystem A by  $\rho_A$ , and A<sup>c</sup> is the complement of A.

The entropies are shown in Fig. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Notice that  $t_f \to \infty$  as  $v \to 0$  and thus, the total evolution time increases with decreasing the ramp speed v.

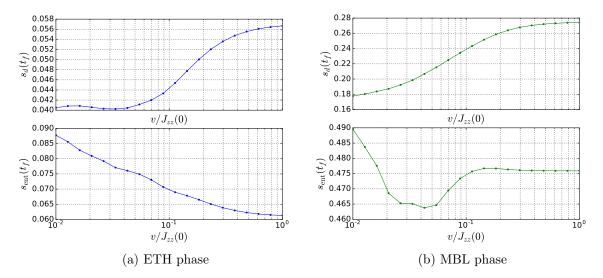


Figure 1: Diagonal and entanglement entropy densities as a function of the ramp speed in the MBL and delocalised (ETH) phases of the ramped disordered XXZ model. The ramped protocol is chosen as  $J_{zz}(t) = (1/2 + vt)J_{zz}(0)$ . The parameters are  $J_{xy}/J_{zz}(0) = 1.0$ ,  $h_{\text{MBL}}/J_{zz}(0) = 3.9$ ,  $h_{\text{ETH}}/J_{zz}(0) = 0.1$ , and L = 10. Disorder averaging was performed over 1000 realisations.

Code Analysis—Let us now explain how one can study this problem numerically using  $\mathcal{Q}^{u}\mathcal{S}\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$ . First, we load the required Python packages. Note that we adopt the commonly used abbreviation for NumPy, np.

```
from qspin.operators import hamiltonian # Hamiltonians and operators
from qspin.basis import spin_basis_1d # Hilbert space spin basis
from qspin.tools.measurements import ent_entropy, diag_ensemble # entropies
from numpy.random import ranf,seed # pseudo random numbers
from joblib import delayed,Parallel # parallelisation
import numpy as np # generic math functions
from time import time # timing package
```

Since we want to produce many realisations of the data and average over disorder, we specify the simulations parameters:  $n_{real}$  is the number of disorder realisations, while  $n_{jobs}$  is the joblib parallelisation parameter which determines how many Python processes to run simultaneously<sup>2</sup>.

```
##### define simulation parameters ####
n_real=20 # number of disorder realisations
n_jobs=2 # number of spawned processes used for parallelisation
```

Next, we define the physical model parameters. In doing so it is advisable to use the floating point when the coupling is meant to be a non-integer real number, in order to avoid problems with division: for example, 1 is the integer 1 while 1.0 - the corresponding float. For instance, in Python 2.7 0.5 is not equal to 1/2, but rather to 1.0/2.0.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>While one can spawn as many processes as one desires, it is optimal to spawn only about as many processes as there are available cores in the processor.

```
##### define model parameters #####

L=10 # system size

Jxy=1.0 # xy interaction

Jzz_0=1.0 # zz interaction at time t=0

h_MBL=3.9 # MBL disorder strength

h_ETH=0.1 # delocalised disorder strength

vs=np.logspace(-2.0,0.0,num=20,base=10) # log_2-spaced vector of ramp speeds
```

The time-dependent disordered Hamiltonian consists of two parts: the time-dependent XXZ model which is disorder-free, and the disorder field whose values differ from one realisation to another. We focus on the XXZ part first. Let us code up the driving protocol  $J_{zz}(t) = (1/2 + vt)J_{zz}(0)$ . As already explained, our goal is to obtain the disorder-averaged entropies as a function of the ramp speed v. Hence, for each disorder realisation, we need to evolve the initial state many times, each corresponding to a different ramp speed. However, defining the Hamiltonian from the get-go every single time is not particularly efficient from the point of view of simulation runtime. We thus want to set up a family of Hamiltonians  $\{v: H(t;v)\}$  at once, and we shall employ Python's features to do so. This will require that the drive speed v is not a parameter of the function ramp, see line 29, but is declared beforehand as a global variable. Once, ramp has been defined, reassigning v dynamically induces a change of ramp without the need to modify ramp itself. We shall comment on how this works later on in the code.

```
##### set up Heisenberg Hamiltonian with linearly varying zz-interaction ####

# define linear ramp function

v = 1.0 # declare ramp speed variable

def ramp(t):

return (0.5 + v*t)

ramp_args=[]
```

To set up any Hamiltonian, we need to calculate the basis of the Hilbert space it is defined on. Since the Hamiltonian (1) conserves the total magnetisation, the overlap betweens states of different magnetisation sectors vanishes trivially, and we can reach larger system sizes by working in a fixed magnetisation sector. A natural choice is the zero-magnetisation sector which contains the ground state. All symmetries in  $\mathcal{Q}^{\mathsf{u}}\mathcal{S}\rho_{\mathsf{i}}\mathcal{N}$  can be declared when the basis is being created. As shown below, the basis class has one required argument L – the system size. The user can declare a symmetry with the help of optional arguments: for instance, Nup=L/2 defines the zero-magnetisation sector. In general, the magnetisation symmetry is defined by specifying the number of up spins in the chain. In Sec. 2.2 we shall show how to use two other symmetries – translation and parity (reflection). Last, since we work with spin operators here, it is required to pass the flag pauli=False; failure to do so will result in a Hamiltonian defined in terms of the Pauli spin matrices.

```
# compute basis in the 0-total magnetisation sector (requires L even)
basis = spin_basis_1d(L,Nup=L/2,pauli=False)
```

Setting up the spin-spin operators goes as follows. First, we need to define the site-coupling lists  $J_zz$  and  $J_xy$ . To uniquely specify a two-spin interaction, we need (i) the coupling, and (ii) – the labels of the sites the two operators act on.  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  uses Python's indexing convention meaning that the first lattice site is always i=0, and the last one: i=L-1. For example, for the zz-interaction, the coupling is  $Jzz_0$ , while the two sites are the nearest neighbours i,i+1. Hence, the tuple  $[Jzz_0,i,i+1]$  defines the bond operator  $J_{zz}(0) \times S_i^{\mu} S_{i+1}^{\mu}$ 

(we specify  $\mu$  in the next step). To define the total interaction energy  $J_{zz}(0) \sum_{i=0}^{L-2} S_i^{\mu} S_{i+1}^{\mu}$ , all we need is to loop over the L-2 bonds of the open chain<sup>3</sup>. In the same way one can define boundary or single-site operators.

```
# define operators with OBC using site-coupling lists
J_zz = [[Jzz_0,i,i+1] for i in range(L-1)] # OBC

J_xy = [[Jxy/2.0,i,i+1] for i in range(L-1)] # OBC
```

The above lines of code specify the coupling but not yet which spin operators are being coupled. To do this, we need to create a static and/or dynamic operator list. As the name suggests, static lists define time-independent operators. Given the site-coupling list  $J_xy$  from above, it is easy to set the operator  $J_{xy}/2\sum_{i=0}^{L-2}S_i^+S_{i+1}^-$  by specifying the spin operator type in the same order as the site indices appear in the corresponding site-coupling list:  $[["+-",J_xy]]$ . In other words, the order "+-" corresponds directly to the site-index order "i,i+1". Similarly, one can set up the hermitian conjugate term  $J_{xy}/2\sum_{i=0}^{L-2}S_i^-S_{i+1}^+$  as  $[["-+",J_xy]]$ . In the end, one can concatenate these operator lists to produce the static part of the Hamiltonian.

```
32 # static and dynamic lists
33 static = [["+-", J_xy], ["-+", J_xy]]
```

The time-dependent part of the Hamiltonian is defined using dynamic lists. Similar to their static counterparts, one needs to define an operator string, say "zz" to declare the specific operator our of a site-coupling list. Apart from the site-coupling list  $J_zz$ , however, a dynamic list also requires a time-dependent function and its arguments. If one desires to define a time-independent Hamiltonian, then one should set an empty dynamic list, dynamic=[]. In the linearly driven XXZ-Hamiltonian we are setting up here, the function arguments  $ramp_args$  is an empty list. The careful reader might have noticed that there is a certain freedom in coding the coupling of the time-dependent term,  $J_{zz}(t) = (1/2 + vt)J_{zz}(0)$ : here we choose to include the constant  $Jzz_0$  in the zz site-coupling list and hence this factor is absent in the definition of the ramp function.

```
34 dynamic =[["zz",J_zz,ramp,ramp_args]]
```

Once the static and dynamic lists are set up, building up the corresponding Hamiltonian is a one-liner. In  $\mathcal{Q}^u\mathcal{S}\rho_i\mathcal{N}$ , this is done using the hamiltonian class, see line 36 below. The first required argument is the static list, while the second one – the dynamic list. These two arguments necessarily must appear in this order. Another required argument is the basis, which carries the necessary information about symmetries. Yet whether a given Hamiltonian has these symmetries or not, depends on the operators defined in the static and dynamic lists. The hamiltonian class performs an automatic check on the Hamiltonian for hermiticity and the presence of magnetisation conservations and other symmetries.

```
# compute the time-dependent Heisenberg Hamiltonian
H_XXZ = hamiltonian(static,dynamic,basis=basis,dtype=np.float64)
```

To produce the entropies vs. ramp speed data over many disorder realisations, we define the function realization which returns a two-element NumPy array, np.array([S\_d,Sent]) with the values of the diagonal entropy  $s_d$  in the first element, and the values of the entanglement entropy  $s_{\text{ent}}$  – in the second element. We now walk the reader step by step through the definition of realization. The first argument is the vector of ramp speeds, vs, required for the dynamics. The second argument is the time-dependent XXZ Hamiltonian H\_XXZ to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The Python expression range(L-1) produces all integers between 0 and L-2 including.

which we shall add a disordered z-field for each disorder realisation. The third argument is the spin **basis** which is required to calculate  $s_{\text{ent}}$ . The fourth (last) argument is the realisation number, which is only used to print a message about the duration of the single realisation run.

```
##### calculate diagonal and entanglement entropies #####
  def realization(vs,H_XXZ,basis,real):
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40
      This function computes the entropies for a single disorder realisation.
41
      --- arguments ---
42
      vs: vector of ramp speeds
43
      H_XXZ: time-dep. Heisenberg Hamiltonian with driven zz-interactions
44
      basis: spin_basis_1d object containing the spin basis
45
      n_real: number of disorder realisations; used only for timing
46
47
```

In order to time each realisation simulation, we use the package time:

```
ti = time() # start timer
```

In order to properly be able to use  $H_{XXZ}(t; v)$  as a family of Hamiltonians in v (we shall see exactly how this works in a moment), we explicitly declare the variable  $\mathbf{v}$  global.

```
global v # declare ramp speed v a global variable
```

Since the problem involves disorder, we have to generate multiple disorder realisations. In this case, it is recommended to reset the pseudo-random generator before any random numbers have been drawn. It is important that the seed is reset within each realisation, since we shall allow for the option to run realisations simultaneously.

```
seed() # the random number needs to be seeded for each parallel process
```

Next, we set up the full disordered time-dependent Hamiltonian of the problem  $H(t) = H_{\rm XXZ}(t) + \sum_j h_j S_j^z$ . The random field  $h_j$  differs from one realisation to another. Hence, it has to be defined inside the **realisation** function. Recall that we want to compare the localised with the delocalised regimes, corresponding to the disordered strengths  $h_{\rm MBL}$  and  $h_{\rm ETH}$ , respectively. To this end, we first, for each lattice site i, draw a random number  ${\bf unscaled\_fields[i]}$  uniformly in the interval [-1,1], and store it in the vector  ${\bf unscaled\_fields}$ , see  ${\bf line}$  55 below. Building the external z-field proceeds in exactly the same way as before: (i) we calculate the site-coupling list,  ${\bf line}$  57, (ii) we designate that the operator is along the z-axis by defining a static operator list,  ${\bf line}$  59, and (iii) we use the already computed spin basis to construct the operator matrix with the **hamiltonian** class,  ${\bf lines}$  61-62.  ${\cal Q}^{\bf u}{\cal S}\rho_i{\cal N}$  has the option to disable the default checks on hermiticity, magnetisation (particle number) conservation, and symmetries using the auxiliary dictionary  ${\bf no\_checks}$  passed straight to hamiltonian as keyword arguments. This can allow the user to define non-hermitian operators. Last, in  ${\bf lines}$  64-65, we define the MBL and ETH time-dependent Hamiltonians, corresponding to the two disorder strengths  $h_{\rm ETH}$  and  $h_{MBL}$ .

```
# draw random field uniformly from [-1.0,1.0] for each lattice site
unscaled_fields=-1+2*ranf((basis.L,))
# define z-field operator site-coupling list
h_z=[[unscaled_fields[i],i] for i in range(basis.L)]
# static list
disorder_field = [["z",h_z]]
# compute disordered z-field Hamiltonian
```

```
no_checks={"check_herm":False,"check_pcon":False,"check_symm":False}
Hz=hamiltonian(disorder_field,[],basis=basis,dtype=np.float64,**no_checks)
# compute the MBL and ETH Hamiltonians for the same disorder realisation
H_MBL=H_XXZ+h_MBL*Hz
H_ETH=H_XXZ+h_ETH*Hz
```

We choose to first focus on the MBL phase. Re-setting the ramp speed  ${\bf v}$  to unity is required for calculating the correct eigensystem of the Hamiltonian at the end of the ramp, since  ${\bf v}$  is a parameter of  $H(t;{\bf v})$  (see line 77). We want the initial state to be as close as possible to an infinite-temperature state within the given symmetry sector. To this end, we can first calculate the minimum and maximum energy, Emin and Emax of the spectrum of  $H_{\rm MBL}(t=0)$ . This is achieved using the hamiltonian attribute method eigsh, see lines 70-71, which is a wrapper for scipy.sparse.linalg.eigsh, cf. also App. C. Then, by taking the 'centre-of-mass' we obtain a number, E\_inf\_temp, which is as represents the infinite-temperature energy up to finite-size effects, line 72. The optional argument k=2 ensures that only two eigenstates are calculated. To determine which ones, the argument which="BE" specifies them to be the two states at Both Ends of the spectrum. Convergence of the underlying diagonalisation algorithm is enforced by explicitly specifying the number of maximal iterations: maxiter=1E10. Since we do not need the eigenstates, we use return\_eigenvectors=False. Last, the \*\*eigsh\_args is a standard Python way of reading off the arguments by name from a dictionary, here eigsh\_args.

```
### ramp in MBL phase ###
v=1.0 # reset ramp speed to unity
# calculate the energy at infinite temperature for initial MBL Hamiltonian
eigsh_args={"k":2,"which":"BE","maxiter":1E10,"return_eigenvectors":False}
Emin,Emax=H_MBL.eigsh(time=0.0,**eigsh_args)
E_inf_temp=(Emax+Emin)/2.0
```

The initial state  $psi_0$  is then that eigenstate of  $H_{MBL}(t=0)$ , whose energy is closest to  $E_{inf_temp}$ . This time, we only need one eigenstate, and hence k=1. To pick up the desired eigenstate, we make use of another optional argument:  $sigma=E_{inf_temp}$ .

```
# calculate nearest eigenstate to energy at infinite temperature
E,psi_0=H_MBL.eigsh(time=0.0,k=1,sigma=E_inf_temp,maxiter=1E10)
psi_0=psi_0.reshape((-1,))
```

The calculation of the diagonal entropy  $s_d$  requires the eigensystem of the Hamiltonian  $H_{\rm MBL}(t_f)$  at the end of the ramp  $t_f = (2v_f)^{-2}$ . The entire spectrum and the corresponding eigenstates are obtained using the hamiltonian method eigh. For time-dependent Hamiltonians, eigh accepts the argument time to specify the time slice. Unless explicitly specified, time=0.0 by default.

```
# calculate the eigensystem of the final MBL hamiltonian
E_final,V_final=H_MBL.eigh(time=(0.5/vs[-1]))
```

To calculate the entropies for each ramp speed, we define the helper function  $\_do\_ramp$ , which first evolves the initial state according to the v-dependent Hamiltonian  $H_{\rm MBL}(t;v)$  for a fixed ramp speed v. In line 78 we loop over the ramp speed greed vs. More importantly, however, the iteration index v carries the same name as the parameter in the drive function v ramp. Thus, every time a new ramp speed is read off the vector vs, the external parameter v changes its value. Because v is a global variable, this change induces a change into the function v which, in turn, induces a change in the v defined v the end of the day, a new member

of the family of MBL Hamiltonians,  $\{v: H_{\mathrm{MBL}}(t;v)\}$ , is picked and parsed to **\_do\_ramp** to do the time evolution with. Hence, we end up with a convenient and automatic way of generating the whole family  $\{v: H_{\mathrm{MBL}}(t;v)\}$ , while having to calculate the operators in the Hamiltonian only once.

```
# evolve states and calculate entropies in MBL phase
run_MBL=[_do_ramp(psi_0,H_MBL,basis,v,E_final,V_final) for v in vs]
run_MBL=np.vstack(run_MBL).T
```

It remains to discuss the helper function \_do\_ramp. It evolves the initial state psi\_0 with the hamiltonian object H and calculates the entropies at the end of the ramp.

```
100 ##### evolve state and evaluate entropies #####
  def _do_ramp(psi_0,H,basis,v,E_final,V_final):
102
       Auxiliary function to evolve the state and calculate the entropies after the
103
       ramp.
104
       --- arguments ---
105
       psi_0: initial state
106
       H: time-dependent Hamiltonian
107
       basis: spin_basis_1d object containing the spin basis (required for Sent)
108
       E_final, V_final: eigensystem of H(t_f) at the end of the ramp t_f=1/(2v)
109
110
```

Given a ramp speed v, we first determine the total ramp time t\_f. Evolving a quantum state under any Hamiltonian H is easily done with the hamiltonian method evolve, see line 114. evolve requires the initial state psi\_0, the starting time – here 0.0, and a vector of times to return the evolved state at, but since we are only interested in the state at the final time – we pass t\_f. The evolve method has further interesting features which we discuss in Secs. 2.2 and 2.3.

```
# determine total ramp time

t_f = 0.5/v

# time-evolve state from time 0.0 to time t_f

psi = H.evolve(psi_0,0.0,t_f)
```

Once we have the state at the end of the ramp, we can obtain the entropies as follows. Calculating  $s_{\text{ent}}$  is done using the measurements function ent\_entropy which we imported in line 3. It requires the quantum state (here the pure state psi), and the basis the state is stored in<sup>4</sup>. Optionally, one can specify the site indices which define the subsystem of interest using the argument chain\_subsys. Note that ent\_entropy returns a dictionary, in which the value of the entanglement entropy is stored under the key "Sent". The function ent\_entropy has a variety of interesting features, described in the documentation, see App. C.

```
# calculate entanglement entropy
subsys = range(basis.L/2) # define subsystem
Sent = ent_entropy(psi,basis,chain_subsys=subsys)["Sent"]
```

Similarly, there is a built-in function to calculate the diagonal entropy  $s_d$  of a state psi in a given basis (here  $V_final$ ), called  $diag_ensemble$ . This function can calculate a variety of interesting quantities in the diagonal ensemble defined by the eigensystem arguments (here  $E_final$ ,  $V_final$ ). We again invite the interested reader to check out the documentation in App. C. This concludes the definition of  $do_ramp$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The basis is required since the subsystem may not share the same symmetries as the entire chain.

```
# calculate diagonal entropy in the basis of H(t_f)
S_d = diag_ensemble(basis.L,psi,E_final,V_final,Sd_Renyi=True)["Sd_pure"]
```

Back to the function **realization**, we have already seen how to obtain the entropies in the MBL phase. We now do the same thing in the delocalised ETH phase. Once again, before we start, we have to re-set the parameter v to unity, see **line 83**. This is required since the iteration over the ramp speeds vs in **line 79** changes dynamically not only the Hamiltonian H\_MBL but also H\_ETH. Apart from this subtleties, the code is the same as the MBL one.

```
### ramp in ETH phase ###
81
      v=1.0 # reset ramp speed to unity
82
      # calculate the energy at infinite temperature for initial ETH hamiltonian
83
      Emin,Emax=H_ETH.eigsh(time=0.0,**eigsh_args)
84
      E_{inf_{emp}} = (E_{max} + E_{min})/2.0
85
      # calculate nearest eigenstate to energy at infinite temperature
86
      E,psi_0=H_ETH.eigsh(time=0.0,k=1,sigma=E_inf_temp,maxiter=1E10)
87
      psi_0=psi_0.reshape((-1,))
88
      # calculate the eigensystem of the final ETH hamiltonian
89
      E_final, V_final=H_ETH.eigh(time=(0.5/vs[-1]))
90
      # evolve states and calculate entropies in ETH phase
91
      run_ETH=[_do_ramp(psi_0,H_ETH,basis,v,E_final,V_final) for v in vs]
92
      run_ETH=np.vstack(run_ETH).T # stack vertically elements of list run_ETH
93
```

We can now display how long the single iteration took

```
# show time taken
print "realization {0}/{1} took {2:.2f} sec".format(real+1,n_real,time()-ti)
```

and conclude the definition of realization:

```
98 return run_MBL,run_ETH
```

Now that we have written the **realization** function, we can call it **n\_real** times to produce the data. The easiest way of doing this is to loop over the disorder realisation, as shown in **lines 125-126**. However, a better way of doing this makes use of the **joblib** package which can distribute simultaneous function calls over **n\_job** Python processes, see **line 128**. To learn more about how to do this, we invite the readers to check the documentation of **joblib**. Having produced and extracted the entropy vs. ramp speed data, we are ready to perform the disorder average by taking the mean over all realisations, **lines 130-132**.

The complete code including the lines that produce Fig. 1 is available in Fig. 1.

#### 2.2 Heating in Periodically Driven Spin Chains

Physics Setup—As a second example, we now show how one can easily study heating in the periodically-driven transverse-field Ising model with a parallel field[CITE David, Tomaz]. This model is non-integrable even without the time-dependent driving protocol. The time-periodic Hamiltonian is defined as a two-step protocol as follows:

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} J \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} \sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^z + h \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} \sigma^z, & t \in [-T/4, T/4] \\ g \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} \sigma_j^x, & t \in [T/4, 3T/4] \end{cases} \mod T,$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{L-1} \frac{1}{2} \left( J \sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^z + h \sigma^z + g \sigma_j^x \right) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn} \left[ \cos \Omega t \right] \left( J \sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^z + h \sigma^z - g \sigma_j^x \right). \tag{4}$$

Unlike the previous example, here we a closed spin chain with a periodic boundary (i.e. a ring). The spin-spin interaction strength is denoted by J, the transverse field – by g, and the parallel field – by h. The period of the drive is T and, although the periodic step protocol contains infinitely many Fourier harmonics, we shall refer to  $\Omega = 2\pi/T$  as the frequency of the drive.

Since the Hamiltonian is periodic, H(t+T) = H(t), Floquet's theorem applies and postulates that the dynamics of the system at times lT, integer multiple of the driving period (a.k.a. stroboscopic times), is governed by the time-independent Floquet Hamiltonian<sup>5</sup>  $H_F$ . In other words, the evolution operator is stroboscopically given by

$$U(lT) = \mathcal{T}_t \exp\left(-i \int_0^{lT} H(t) dt\right) = \exp(-ilTH_F). \tag{5}$$

While the Floquet Hamiltonian for this system cannot be calculated analytically, a suitable approximation can be found at high drive frequencies by means of the van Vleck inverse-frequency expansion [CITE]. However, this expansion is known to calculate the effective Floquet Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{eff}}$  in a different basis than the original stroboscopic one:  $H_F = \exp[-iK_{\text{eff}}(0)]H_{\text{eff}} \exp[iK_{\text{eff}}(0)]$ , which requires the additional calculation of the so-called Kick operator  $K_{\text{eff}}(0)$  to 'rotate' to the original basis.

In the inverse-frequency expansion, we expand both  $H_{\text{eff}}$  and  $K_{\text{eff}}(0)$  in powers of the inverse frequency. Let us label these approximate objects by the superscript  $^{(n)}$ , suggesting that the corresponding operators are of order  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega^{-n})$ :

$$\begin{split} H_F &= H_F^{(0)} + H_F^{(1)} + H_F^{(2)} + H_F^{(3)} + \mathcal{O}(\Omega^{-4}) = H_F^{(0+1+2+3)} + \mathcal{O}(\Omega^{-4}), \\ H_{\text{eff}} &= H_{\text{eff}}^{(0)} + H_{\text{eff}}^{(1)} + H_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} + H_{\text{eff}}^{(3)} + \mathcal{O}(\Omega^{-4}), \\ K_{\text{eff}} &= K_{\text{eff}}^{(0)} + K_{\text{eff}}^{(1)} + K_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} + K_{\text{eff}}^{(3)} + \mathcal{O}(\Omega^{-4}), \end{split}$$

Using the short-hand notation one can show that, for this problem, all odd-order terms in the van Vleck expansion vanish [see App. G of Ref. [CITE thesis]]

$$H_F^{(0+1+2+3)} = H_F^{(0+2)} \approx e^{-iK_{\text{eff}}^{(2)}(0)} \left( H_{\text{eff}}^{(0)} + H_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} \right) e^{+iK_{\text{eff}}^{(2)}(0)}, \tag{6}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>One has to be careful when using the term 'Hamiltonian', as  $H_F$  need not be a local operator. In such cases there does not exist a static physically meaningful system described by  $H_F$ .

while the first few even-order ones are given by

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j} J \sigma_{j}^{z} \sigma_{j+1}^{z} + h \sigma_{j}^{z} + g \sigma_{j}^{x},$$

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} = -\frac{\pi^{2}}{12\Omega^{2}} \sum_{j} J^{2} g \sigma_{j-1}^{z} \sigma_{j}^{x} \sigma_{j+1}^{z} + J g h (\sigma_{j}^{x} \sigma_{j+1}^{z} + \sigma_{j}^{z} \sigma_{j+1}^{x}) + J g^{2} (\sigma_{j}^{y} \sigma_{j+1}^{y} - \sigma_{j}^{z} \sigma_{j+1}^{z})$$

$$+ \left(J^{2} g + \frac{1}{2} h^{2} g\right) \sigma_{j}^{x} + \frac{1}{2} h g^{2} \sigma_{j}^{z},$$

$$K_{\text{eff}}^{(0)} = \mathbf{0},$$

$$K_{\text{eff}}^{(2)}(0) = -\frac{\pi^{2}}{8\Omega^{2}} \sum_{j} J g \left(\sigma_{j}^{z} \sigma_{j+1}^{y} + \sigma_{j}^{y} \sigma_{j+1}^{z}\right) + h g \sigma_{j}^{y},$$

$$(7)$$

It was recently argued based on the aforementioned Floquet theorem[CITE] that, in a closed periodically driven system, stroboscopic dynamics is sufficient to completely quantify heating, and we shall make use of this fact in our little study here. We choose as the initial state the ground state of the approximate Hamiltonian  $H_F^{(0+1+2+3)}$  and denote it by  $|\psi_i\rangle$ :

$$|\psi_i\rangle = |GS(H_F^{(0+1+2+3)})\rangle. \tag{8}$$

Regimes of slow and fast heating can then be easily detected by looking at the energy density  $\mathcal{E}$  absorbed by the system from the drive

$$\mathcal{E}(lT) = \frac{1}{L} \langle \psi_i | e^{ilTH_F} H_F^{(0+1+2)} e^{-ilTH_F} | \psi_i \rangle, \tag{9}$$

and the entanglement entropy of a subsystem. We call this subsystem A and define it to contain L/2 consecutive chain sites<sup>6</sup>:

$$s_{\rm ent}(lT) = -\frac{1}{L_{\rm A}} \operatorname{tr}_{\rm A}\left[\rho_{\rm A}(lT)\log\rho_{\rm A}(lT)\right], \text{ with } \rho_{\rm A}(lT) = \operatorname{tr}_{\rm A^c}\left[\mathrm{e}^{-ilTH_F}|\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|\mathrm{e}^{ilTH_F}\right], (10)$$

where the partial trace in the definition of the reduced density matrix (DM)  $\rho_A$  is over the complement of A, denoted A<sup>c</sup>, and  $L_A = L/2$  denotes the length of subsystem A.

Since heating can be exponentially slow at high frequencies [CITE], one might be interested in calculating also the infinite-time quantities

$$\overline{\mathcal{E}} = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N} \mathcal{E}(lT), \qquad \overline{s}_{\text{rdm}} = -\frac{1}{L_{A}} \operatorname{tr}_{A} \left[ \overline{\rho}_{A} \log \overline{\rho}_{A} \right], \qquad s_{d}^{F} = -\frac{1}{L} \operatorname{tr} \left[ \rho_{d}^{F} \log \rho_{d}^{F} \right], \quad (11)$$

where  $\overline{\rho}_{A}$  is the infinite-time reduced DM of subsystem A, and  $\rho_{d}^{F}$  is the DM of the Diagonal ensemble in the exact Floquet basis  $\{|n_{F}\rangle: H_{F}|n_{F}\rangle = E_{F}|n_{F}\rangle\}$  [CITE TD review]:

$$\overline{\rho}_{A} = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{N} \rho_{A}(lT) = \operatorname{tr}_{A^{c}} \left[ \rho_{d}^{F} \right], \qquad \rho_{d}^{F} = \sum_{n} |\langle \psi_{i} | n_{F} \rangle|^{2} |n_{F} \rangle \langle n_{F} |$$

We note in passing that in general  $\bar{s}_{\text{rdm}} \neq \lim_{N \to \infty} N^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N} s_{\text{ent}}(lT)$  due to interference terms, although the two may happen to be close.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Since we use periodic boundaries, it does not matter which consecutive sites we choose. In fact, in  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  the user can choose any (possibly disconnected) subsystem to calculate the entanglement entropy and the reduced DM, see Sec. C.

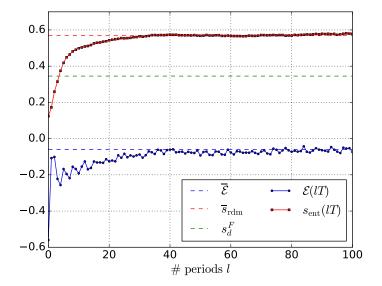


Figure 2: Stroboscopic dynamics of the energy density and entanglement entropy density (solid lines), together with their infinite-time values (dashed lines) in the periodically-driven TFIM in a parallel field. The parameters are g/J = 0.809, h/J = 0.9045,  $\Omega/J = 4.5$ , and L = 14.

In Fig. 2 we show the time evolution of  $\mathcal{E}(lT)$  and  $s_{\rm ent}(lT)$  as a function of the number of driving cycle for a given drive frequency, together with their infinite-time values.

Code Analysis—Let us now discuss the  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  code for this problem in detail. First we load the required classes, methods and functions required for the computation:

```
from qspin.operators import hamiltonian # Hamiltonians and operators
from qspin.basis import spin_basis_1d # Hilbert space spin basis
from qspin.tools.measurements import obs_vs_time, diag_ensemble # t_dep measurements
from qspin.tools.Floquet import Floquet, Floquet_t_vec # Floquet Hamiltonian
import numpy as np # generic math functions
```

After that, we define the model parameters as

```
8 L=14 # system size
9 J=1.0 # spin interaction
10 g=0.809 # transverse field
11 h=0.9045 # parallel field
12 Omega=4.5 # drive frequency
```

The time-periodic step drive can easily be incorporated through the following function:

```
# define time-reversal symmetric periodic step drive
def drive(t,Omega):
    return np.sign(np.cos(Omega*t))
drive_args=[Omega]
```

Next, we define the basis, similar to the example in Sec. 2.1. One can convince oneself that the Hamiltonian in Eq. (4) possesses two symmetries at all times t which are, therefore, also inherited by the Floquet Hamiltonian. These are translation invariance and parity (i.e. reflection w.r.t. the centre of the chain). To incorporate them, one needs to specify the desired block for each symmetry: **kblock=int** selects the many-body states of total momentum  $2\pi/L*int$ , while **pblock=** $\pm 1$  sets the parity sector. For all total momenta different from 0 and  $\pi$ , the

translation operator does not commute with parity, in which case semi-momentum states producing a *real* Hamiltonian are the natural choice [10].

```
# compute basis in the 0-total momentum and +1-parity sector
basis=spin_basis_1d(L=L,kblock=0,pblock=1)
```

The definition of the site-coupling lists proceeds similarly to the MBL example above. It is interesting to note how the periodic boundary condition is encoded in line 25 using the modulo operator %. Compared to open boundaries, the PBC J\_nn list now also has a total of L elements, as many as there are sites and bonds on the ring.

```
21 # define PBC site-coupling lists for operators
22 x_field_pos=[[+g,i] for i in range(L)]
23 x_field_neg=[[-g,i] for i in range(L)]
24 z_field=[[h,i] for i in range(L)]
25 J_nn=[[J,i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
```

To program the full Hamiltonian H(t), we use the second line of Eq. (4). The time-independent part is defined using the static operator list. For the time-dependent part, we need to pass the function **drive** and its arguments **drive\_args**, defined in **lines 15-18**, to all operators the drive couples to. In fact,  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  is smart enough to automatically sum up all operators multiplied by the same time-dependent function in any dynamic list created. Note that since we are dealing with a Hamiltonian defined by Pauli matrices and not the spin-1/2 operators, we drop the optional argument **pauli** for the **hamiltonian** class, since by default it is set to **pauli=True**.

The following lines define the approximate van Vleck Floquet Hamiltonian, cf. Eq. (7). Of particular interest is line 37 where we define the site-coupling list for the three-spin operator "zxz". Apart from the coupling J\*\*2\*g, we now need to specify the *three* site indices i,(i+1)%L,(i+2)%L for each of the operators "zxz", respectively. In a similar fashion, one can define any multi-spin operator.

```
33 ##### set up second-order van Vleck Floquet Hamiltonian #####
34 # zeroth-order term
### Heff_0=0.5*hamiltonian(static,[],dtype=np.float64,basis=basis)
  # second-order term: site-coupling lists
37 Heff2_term_1=[[+J**2*g,i,(i+1)%L,(i+2)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
38 Heff2_term_2=[[+J*g*h, i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
39 Heff2_term_3=[[-J*g**2,i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
40 Heff2_term_4=[[+J**2*g+0.5*h**2*g,i] for i in range(L)]
41 Heff2_term_5=[[0.5*h*g**2,
                                     i] for i in range(L)]
  # define static list
43 Heff_static=[["zxz",Heff2_term_1],
                ["xz", Heff2_term_2], ["zx", Heff2_term_2],
                ["yy",Heff2_term_3],["zz",Heff2_term_2],
45
                ["x", Heff2_term_4],
46
                ["z",Heff2_term_5]
47
```

```
48 # compute van Vleck Hamiltonian
49 Heff_2=hamiltonian(Heff_static,[],dtype=np.float64,basis=basis)
50 Heff_2*=-np.pi**2/(12.0*Omega**2)
51 # zeroth + second order van Vleck Floquet Hamiltonian
52 Heff_02=Heff_0+Heff_2
```

In order to rotate the state from the van Vleck to the stroboscopic (Floquet-Magnus) picture, we also have to calculate the kick operator at time t=0. While the procedure is the same as above, note that  $K_{\rm eff}(0)$  has imaginary matrix elements, whence the variable dtype=np.complex128 is used (in fact this is the default dtype optional argument that the hamiltonian class assumes if one does not pass this argument explicitly). If the user tries to force define a real-valued Hamiltonian which, however, has complex matrix elements,  $Q^{\rm u}S\rho_{\rm i}\mathcal{N}$  will raise an error.

```
##### set up second-order van Vleck Kick operator #####
Keff2_term_1=[[J*g,i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
Keff2_term_2=[[h*g,i] for i in range(L)]
# define static list
Keff_static=[["zy",Keff2_term_1],["yz",Keff2_term_1],["y",Keff2_term_2]]
Keff_02=hamiltonian(Keff_static,[],dtype=np.complex128,basis=basis)
Keff_02*=-np.pi**2/(8.0*Omega**2)
```

Next, we need to find  $H_F^{(0+2)} = \exp[-iK_{\rm eff}^{(2)}(0)]H_{\rm eff}^{(0+2)}\exp[iK_{\rm eff}^{(2)}(0)]$ . To this end, we make use of the hamiltonian class method rotate\_by which conveniently provides a function for this purpose. By specifying the optional argument generator=True, rotate\_by recognises the operator B as a generator and defines a linear transformation to 'rotate' a hamiltonian object A via  $\exp(aB)A\exp(a^*B^{\dagger})$  for any complex-valued number a. Although we do not use it directly here, it is also useful for the user to become familiar with the documentation of the  $\exp_{-}$  op class which provides the matrix exponential, cf. App. C, which contains a variety of useful methods. For instance,  $\exp(zB)A$  can be obtained using  $\exp_{-}$  op(B,a=z).dot(A), while  $A\exp(zB)$  is A.dot( $\exp_{-}$  op(B,a=z).7 for any complex number z.

```
##### rotate Heff to stroboscopic basis #####
# e^{-1j*Keff_02} Heff_02 e^{+1j*Keff_02}
HF_02 = Heff_02.rotate_by(Keff_02,generator=True,a=-1j)
```

Now that we have concluded the initialisation of the approximate Floquet Hamiltonian, it is time to discuss how to study the dynamics of the system. We start by defining a vector of times t, particularly suitable for the study of periodically driven systems. We initialise this time vector as an object of the Floquet\_t\_vec class. The arguments we need are the drive frequency Omega, the number of periods (here 100), and the number of time points per period len\_T (here set to 1). Once initialised, t has many useful attributes, such as the time values t.vals, the drive period t.T, the stroboscopic times t.strobo.vals, or their indices t.strobo.inds. The Floquet\_t\_vec class has further useful properties, described in the documentation in App. C.

```
##### define time vector of stroboscopic times with 100 cycles #####
t=Floquet_t_vec(Omega,100,len_T=1) # t.vals=times, t.i=init. time, t.T=drive period
```

To calculate the exact stroboscopic Floquet Hamiltonian  $H_F$ , one can conveniently make use of the Floquet class. Currently, it supports three different ways of obtaining the Floquet

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>One can also use the syntax A.rdot(exp\_op(a\*B)) and exp\_op(z\*B).rdot(A), respectively, for multiplication from the right.

Hamiltonian: (i) passing an arbitrary time-periodic hamiltonian object it will evolve each basis eigenstate for one period to obtain the evolution operator U(T). This calculation can be parallelised using the Python module joblib, activated by setting the optional argument  $n_{-j}$ obs. (ii) one can pass a list of static hamiltonian objects, accompanied by a list of time steps to apply each of these Hamiltonians at. In this case, the Floquet class will make use of the matrix exponential to find U(T). Instead, here we choose, (iii), to use a single dynamic hamiltonian object H(t), accompanied by a list of times  $\{t_i\}$  to evaluate it at, and a list of time steps  $\{\delta t_i\}$  to compute the time-ordered matrix exponential as  $\prod_i \exp(-iH(t_i)\delta t_i)$ . The Floquet class calculates the quasienergies EF folded in the interval  $[-\Omega/2, \Omega/2]$  by default. If required, the user may further request the set of Floquet states by setting VF=True, the Floquet Hamiltonian, HF=True, and/or the Floquet phases – thetaF=True. For more information on Floquet\_t\_vec, the user is advised to consult the package documentation, see App. C.

```
##### calculate exact Floquet eigensystem #####
t_list=np.array([0.0,t.T/4.0,3.0*t.T/4.0])+np.finfo(float).eps # times to evaluate H
t_list=np.array([t.T/4.0,t.T/2.0,t.T/4.0]) # time step durations to apply H for
Floq=Floquet({'H':H,'t_list':t_list,'dt_list':dt_list},VF=True) # call Floquet class
VF=Floq.VF # read off Floquet states
EF=Floq.EF # read off quasienergies
```

As discussed in the main text, we choose for the initial state the ground state<sup>8</sup> of the approximate Hamiltonian  $H_F^{(0+2)}$ . Here, we demonstrate how to fully diagonalise a **hamiltonian** object using the function **eigh**. Note that to find only the ground state it is, in fact, much more efficient to use the sparse matrix Lanczos-based function **eigsh**, as in the example of Sec. 2.1.

```
76 ##### calculate initial state (GS of HF_02) and its energy
77 EF_02, VF_02 = HF_02.eigh()
78 EF_02, psi_i = EF_02[0], VF_02[:,0]
```

Finally, we can calculate the time-dependence of the energy density  $\mathcal{E}(t)$  and the entanglement entropy density  $s_{\mathrm{ent}}(t)$ . This is done using the measurements function obs\_vs\_time. If one evolves with a constant Hamiltonian (which is effectively the case for stroboscopic time evolution),  $\mathcal{Q}^{\mathrm{u}}\mathcal{S}\rho_{\mathrm{i}}\mathcal{N}$  offers two different but equivalent options, that we now discuss. (i) As a first required argument of obs\_vs\_time one passes a tuple (psi\_i,E,V) with the initial state, the spectrum, and the eigenbasis of the Hamiltonian to do the evolution with. The second argument is the time vector (here t.vals), and the third one – the operator one would like to measure (here the approximate energy density HF\_02/L. If the observable is time-dependent, obs\_vs\_time will evaluate it at the appropriate times:  $\langle \psi(t)|\mathcal{O}(t)|\psi(t)\rangle$ . To obtain the entanglement entropy, obs\_vs\_time calls the measurements function ent\_entropy, whose arguments are passed using the variable Sent\_args. ent\_entropy requires to pass the basis, and optionally – the subsystem chain\_subsys which would otherwise be set to the first L/2 sites of the chain. To learn more about how to obtain the reduced density matrix or other features of ent\_entropy, consult the documentation, App. C.

```
80 #### time-dependent measurements
81 # calculate measurements
82 Sent_args = {"basis":basis,"chain_subsys":[j for j in range(L/2)]}
83 meas = obs_vs_time((psi_i,EF,VF),t.vals,[HF_02/L],Sent_args=Sent_args)
```

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>The approximate Floquet Hamiltonian is unfolded[8] and, thus, the ground state is well-defined.

The other way to calculate a time-dependent observable (ii) is more generic and works for arbitrary time-dependent Hamiltonians. It makes use of Schrödinger evolution to find the time-dependent state using the **evolve** method of the **hamiltonian** class. While we introduced **evolve** in Sec. 2.1, here we explain an important feature: if the optional argument **iterate=True** is passed, then  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  will not do the calculation of the state immediately; instead – it will create a generator object. By doing so one can avoid the causal loop over times to first find the state, and then looping once more over time to evaluate observables. The **evolve** method typically works for larger system sizes, than the ones that allow full ED. One can then simply pass the generator  $psi_t$  into  $obs_vs_t$  ime instead of the initial tuple.

```
# alternative way by solving Schroedinger's eqn
psi_t = H.evolve(psi_i,t.i,t.vals,iterate=True,rtol=1E-9,atol=1E-9)
meas = obs_vs_time(psi_t,t.vals,[HF_02/L],Sent_args=Sent_args)
```

The output of **obs\_vs\_time** is a dictionary. Extracting the energy density and entanglement entropy density values as a function of time, is as easy as:

```
# read off measurements
Energy_t = meas["Expt_time"]
Intropy_t = meas["Sent_time"]["Sent"]
```

Last, we compute the infinite-time values of the energy density, the entropy of the infinitetime reduced density matrix, as well as the diagonal entropy. They are, in fact, closely related to the expectation values of the Diagonal ensemble of the initial state in the Floquet basis. The measurements tool contains the function diaq\_ensemble specifically designed for this purpose. The required arguments are the system size L, the initial state psi\_i, as well as the Floquet spectrum EF and states VF. The optional arguments are packed in the auxiliary dictionary DE\_args, and contain the observable Obs, the diagonal entropy Sd\_Renyi, and the entanglement entropy of the reduced DM Srdm\_Renyi with its arguments Srdm\_args. The additional label \_Renyi is used since in general one can also compute the Renyi entropy with parameter  $\alpha$ , if desired. The function diag\_ensemble will automatically return the densities of the requested quantities, unless the flag densities=False is specified. It has more features which allow one to calculate the temporal and quantum fluctuations of an observable at infinite times (i.e. in the Diagonal ensemble), and return the diagonal density matrix. Moreover, it can do additional averages of all diagonal ensemble quantities over a user-specified energy distribution, which may prove useful in calculating thermal expectations at infinite times, cf. App. C.

The complete code including the lines that produce Fig. 2 is available in Fig. 2.

# 2.3 Quantised Light-Atom Interactions in the Semi-classical Limit: Recovering the Periodically Driven Atom

Physics Setup—The last example we show deals with the quantisation of the (monochromatic) electromagnetic (EM) field. For the purpose of our little study, we take a two-level atom

(i.e. a single-site spin chain) and couple it to a single photon mode (i.e. a quantum harmonic oscillator). The Hamiltonian reads

$$H = \Omega a^{\dagger} a + \frac{A}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\rm ph}}} \left( a^{\dagger} + a \right) \sigma^x + \Delta \sigma^z, \tag{12}$$

where the operator  $a^{\dagger}$  creates a photon in the mode, and the atom is modelled by a two-level system described by the Pauli spin operators  $\sigma^{x,y,z}$ . The photon frequency is  $\Omega$ ,  $N_{\rm ph}$  is the average number of photons in the mode, A – the coupling between the EM field  $E = \sqrt{N_{\rm ph}^{-1}} \left(a^{\dagger} + a\right)$  and the dipole operator  $\sigma^x$ , and  $\Delta$  measures the energy difference between the two atomic states.

An interesting question to ask is under what conditions the atom can be described by the time-periodic semi-classical Hamiltonian:

$$H_{\rm sc}(t) = A\cos\Omega t \,\sigma^x + \Delta\sigma^z. \tag{13}$$

Curiously, despite its simple form, one cannot solve in a closed form for the dynamics generated by the semi-classical Hamiltonian  $H_{sc}(t)$ .

To address the above question, we prepare the system such that the atom is in its ground state, while we put the photon mode in a coherent state with mean number of photons  $N_{\rm ph}$ , as required to by the semi-classical regime[CITE Haroche]:

$$|\psi_i\rangle = |\cosh(N_{\rm ph})\rangle|\downarrow\rangle.$$
 (14)

We then calculate the exact dynamics generated by the spin-photon Hamiltonian H, measure the Pauli spin matrix  $\sigma^z$  which represents the energy of the atom,  $\sigma^x$  – the dipole operator, and the photon number  $n=a^{\dagger}a$ :

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \langle \psi_i | e^{itH} \mathcal{O} e^{-itH} | \psi_i \rangle, \qquad \mathcal{O} = n, \sigma^z, \sigma^y,$$
 (15)

and compare these to the semi-classical expectation values

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\rm sc} = \langle \downarrow | \mathcal{T}_t e^{i \int_0^t H_{\rm sc}(t') dt'} \mathcal{O} \mathcal{T}_t e^{-i \int_0^t H_{\rm sc}(t') dt'} | \downarrow \rangle, \qquad \mathcal{O} = \sigma^z, \sigma^y.$$
 (16)

Figure 3 a shows a comparison between the quantum and the semi-classical time evolution of all observables  $\mathcal{O}$  as defined above.

Code Analysis—We used the following compact  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  code to produce these results. First we load the required classes, methods and functions to do the calculation:

- 1 from qspin.basis import spin\_basis\_1d,photon\_basis # Hilbert space bases
- 2 from qspin.operators import hamiltonian # Hamiltonian and observables
- 3 from qspin.tools.measurements import obs\_vs\_time # t\_dep measurements
- 4 from qspin.tools.Floquet import Floquet,Floquet\_t\_vec # Floquet Hamiltonian
- 5 from qspin.basis.photon import coherent\_state # HO coherent state
- 6 import numpy as np # generic math functions

Next, we define the model parameters as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Strictly speaking the Hamiltonian  $H_{\rm sc}(t)$  describes the spin dynamics in the rotating frame of the photon, defined by  $a \to a {\rm e}^{-i\Omega t}$ ; however, all three observables of interest:  $a^{\dagger}a$ , and  $\sigma^{y,z}$  are invariant under this transformation.

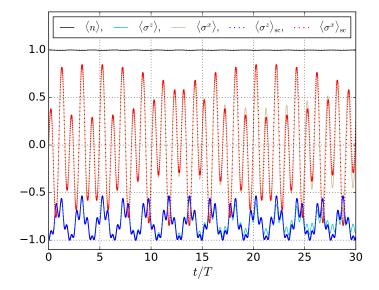


Figure 3: Emergent effective periodically driven dynamics in the semi-classical limit of the quantised light-atom interaction. The solid lines represent expectation values in the spin-photon basis, while dashed lines – the corresponding semi-classical quantities. The parameters are  $A/\Delta=1$ ,  $\Omega/\Delta=3.5$ . The photon Hilbert space has a total number of  $N_{\rm ph,tot}=60$  states, and the mean number of photons in the initial coherent state is  $N_{\rm ph}=30$ .

```
8 ##### define model parameters #####
9 Nph_tot=60 # total number of photon states
10 Nph=Nph_tot/2 # mean number of photons in initial coherent state
11 Omega=3.5 # drive frequency
12 A=0.8 # spin-photon coupling strength (drive amplitude)
```

To set up the spin-photon Hamiltonian, we first build the site-coupling lists. The **ph\_energy** list does not require the specification of a lattice site index, since the latter is not defined for the photon sector. The **at\_energy** list, on the other hand, requires the input of the lattice site for the  $\sigma^z$  operator: since we consider a single two-level system or, equivalently – a single-site chain, this index is  $\emptyset$ . The spin-photon coupling lists **absorb** and **emit** also require the site index which refers to the corresponding Pauli matrices: in this model –  $\emptyset$  again due to dimensional constraints.

```
16 # define operator site-coupling lists
17 ph_energy=[[Omega]] # photon energy
18 at_energy=[[Delta,0]] # atom energy
19 absorb=[[A/(2.0*np.sqrt(Nph)),0]] # absorption term
20 emit=[[A/(2.0*np.sqrt(Nph)),0]] # emission term
```

To build the static operator list, we use the | symbol in the operator string to distinguish the spin and photon operators: spin operators always come to the left of the |-symbol, while photon operators - to the right. For convenience, the identity operator I can be omitted, such that I|n is the same as |n|, and z|I is equivalent to z|, respectively. The dynamic list is empty since the spin-photon Hamiltonian is time-independent.

```
# define static and dynamics lists
static=[["|n",ph_energy],["x|-",absorb],["x|+",emit],["z|",at_energy]]
```

```
23 dynamic=[]
```

To build the spin-photon basis, we call the function **photon\_basis** and use **spin\_basis\_1d** as the first argument. We need to specify the number of spin lattice sites, and the total number of harmonic oscillator (a.k.a photon) states. Building the Hamiltonian works as in Sec. 2.1 and 2.2.

```
# compute atom-photon basis
basis=photon_basis(spin_basis_1d,L=1,Nph=Nph_tot)
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```

We now set up the time-periodic semi-classical Hamiltonian which is defined on the spin Hilbert space only; thus we use a **spin\_basis\_1d** basis object. The existence of a non-empty dynamic list to define the time-dependence.

```
# define operators
dipole_op=[[A,0]]
# define periodic drive and its parameters
def drive(t,Omega):
    return np.cos(Omega*t)
drive_args=[Omega]
# define semi-classical static and dynamic lists
static_sc=[["z",at_energy]]
dynamic_sc=[["x",dipole_op,drive,drive_args]]
# compute semi-classical basis
basis_sc=spin_basis_1d(L=1)
# compute semi-classical Hamiltonian H_{sc}(t)
# L_sc=hamiltonian(static_sc,dynamic_sc,dtype=np.float64,basis=basis_sc)
```

Next, we define the initial state as a product state, see Eq. (14). Notice that in the  $\mathcal{Q}^{\mathsf{u}}\mathcal{S}\rho_{\mathsf{j}}\mathcal{N}$  spin\_basis\_1d basis convention the state  $|\downarrow\rangle = (1,0)^t$ . This is because the spin basis states are coded using their bit representations and the state of all spins pointing down is assigned the integer 0. To define the oscillator (a.k.a. photon) coherent state with mean photon number  $N_{\mathrm{ph}}$ , we use the function coherent\_state: its first argument is the eigenvalue of the annihilation operator a, while the second argument is the total number of oscillator states  $^{10}$ .

```
# define atom ground state
psi_at_i=np.array([1.0,0.0]) # spin-down eigenstate of \sigma^z
# define photon coherent state with mean photon number Nph
psi_ph_i=coherent_state(np.sqrt(Nph),Nph_tot+1)
# compute atom-photon initial state as a tensor product
psi_i=np.kron(psi_at_i,psi_ph_i)
```

The next step is to define a vector of stroboscopic times, using the class Floquet\_t\_vec. Unlike in Sec. 2.2, here we are also interested in the non-stroboscopic times in between the perfect periods lT. Thus, we omit the optional argument len\_T making use of the default value set to len\_T=100, meaning that there are now 100 time points within each period.

```
# define time vector over 30 driving cycles with 100 points per period
t=Floquet_t_vec(Omega,30) # t.i = initial time, t.T = driving period
```

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Since the oscillator ground state is denoted by  $|0\rangle$ , the state  $|N_{\rm ph}\rangle$  is the  $(N_{\rm ph}+1)^{\rm st}$  state of the oscillator basis.

We now time evolve the initial state both in the atom-photon, and the semi-classical cases using the hamiltonian class method evolve, as before. Once again, we define the solution psi\_t as a generator expression using the optional argument iterate=True.

```
# evolve atom-photon state with Hamiltonian H

psi_t=H.evolve(psi_i,t.i,t.vals,iterate=True,rtol=1E-9,atol=1E-9)

# evolve atom GS with semi-classical Hamiltonian H_sc

psi_sc_t=H_sc.evolve(psi_at_i,t.i,t.vals,iterate=True,rtol=1E-9,atol=1E-9)
```

Last, we define the observables of interest, using the hamiltonian class with unit coupling constants. Since each observable represents a single operator, we refrain from defining operator lists and set up the observables in-line. Note that the main difference below (apart from the | notation) in defining the Pauli operators in the atom-photon and the semi-classical cases, is the basis argument. The Python dictionaries obs\_args and obs\_args\_sc represent another way of passing optional keyword arguments to the hamiltonian function. Here we also disable the automatic symmetry and hermiticity checks.

```
61 # define observables parameters
62 obs_args={"basis":basis,"check_herm":False,"check_symm":False}
63 obs_args_sc={"basis":basis_sc,"check_herm":False,"check_symm":False}
64 # in atom-photon Hilbert space
65 n=hamiltonian([["|n", [[1.0 ]] ]],[],dtype=np.float64,**obs_args)
66 sz=hamiltonian([["z|",[[1.0,0]] ]],[],dtype=np.float64,**obs_args)
67 sy=hamiltonian([["y|", [[1.0,0]] ]],[],dtype=np.complex128,**obs_args)
68 # in the semi-classical Hilbert space
69 sz_sc=hamiltonian([["z",[[1.0,0]] ]],[],dtype=np.float64,**obs_args_sc)
70 sy_sc=hamiltonian([["y",[[1.0,0]] ]],[],dtype=np.complex128,**obs_args_sc)
```

Finally, we calculate the time-dependent expectation values using the measurements tool function obs\_vs\_time. Its arguments are the time-dependent state psi\_t, the vector of times t.vals, and a tuple of all observables of interest, and were discussed in Sec. 2.2. obs\_vs\_time returns a dictionary with all time-dependent expectations stored under the key "Expt\_time". They can be accessed by array slicing in the order in which the observables appear in the tuple argument, as shown in lines 75 and 78, respectively.

```
# in atom-photon Hilbert space
0bs_t = obs_vs_time(psi_t,t.vals,(n,sz,sy))["Expt_time"]
5 0_n, 0_sz, 0_sy = 0bs_t[:,0], 0bs_t[:,1], 0bs_t[:,2]
6 # in the semi-classical Hilbert space
7 0bs_sc_t = obs_vs_time(psi_sc_t,t.vals,(sz_sc,sy_sc))["Expt_time"]
7 0_sz_sc, 0_sy_sc = 0bs_sc_t[:,0], 0bs_sc_t[:,1]
```

The complete code including the lines that produce Fig. 3 is available in Fig. 3.

# 3 Future Perspectives for $Q^{\mathrm{u}}S\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$

We have shown that the  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$  functionality allows the user to do many different kinds of ED calculations of 1-dimensional systems with option of using a wide range of possible symmetries. In addition to the features we have dicussed in this article there are many other functions which we have implemented which are all listed in the Documentation (Appendix C). Some important ones we missed include, the tensor\_basis class which constructs a new basis object implementing the tensor product of two individual basis objects. This is useful for

studying interacting hard-core boson chains where the number of conserved for each chain. Another class which is useful is the HamiltonianOperator class. This class does the matrix vector product "on the fly" which significantly reduces the amount of memory needed to do this operation. This is useful for diagonalizing large spin chains with Lanczos as it only requires on the order of a hundred calls of the matrix vector product to solve for a few eigen values and eigen vectors.

We have set up the code to make it simple to extend to different types of systems. We are currently working towards adding the 1-dimension symmetries for spinless and spinful fermions as well as higher spins and bosons. Farther into the future we may implement a number of two dimensional lattices as well as their symmetries. We also welcome anyone who is interested in contributing to this project to reach out to the Authors with any questions they may have about the package organization. All modifications can be proposed through the pull request system on github.com.

Although  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  passed all tests we could think of so far, there may still be some bugs lurking out there. Therefore, we would much appreciate it, if the users could report these bugs to the "Issues" forum on the  $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}N$  repository. With the report we request that the user please add a segment of code which reproduces the bug. As a rule of thumb, bug reports are most useful when the code segment is as short as possible but contains the necessary annotations and comments so it can be followed and, at the same time, the Hamiltonian used is the simplest one which displays the bug.

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# A Installation Guide in a Few Steps

 $Q^{u}S\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$  is currently only being supported for Python 2.7 and so one must make sure to install this version of Python. The Authors recommend the use of Anaconda to install Python and manage your Python packages. It is free to download here, or for a lighter installation you can use miniconda which can be found here.

# A.1 Mac OS X/Linux

To install Anaconda/miniconda all one has to do is execute the installation script with administrative privilege. To do this open up the terminal and go to the folder containing the downloaded installation file and execute the following command:

sudo bash > installation\_file <</pre>

You will be prompted to enter your password. Follow the prompts of the installation. We recommend that you allow the installer to prepend the installation directory to your PATH variable which will make sure this installation of Python will be called when executing a Python script in the terminal. If this is not done then you will have to do this manually in your bash profile file:

```
export PATH="path_to/anaconda/bin:$PATH"
```

<u>Installing via Anaconda.</u>—Once you have Anaconda/miniconda installed, all you have to do to install  $Q^{U}S\rho_{i}\mathcal{N}$  is to execute the following command into the terminal:

```
conda install -c weinbe58 qspin
```

If asked to install new packages just say 'yes'. To keep the code up-to-date, just run this command regularly.

<u>Installing Manually.</u>—Installing the package manually is not recommended unless the above method failed. Note that you must have NumPy, SciPy, and Joblib installed before installing  $Q^uS\rho_i\mathcal{N}$ . Once all the prerequisite packages are installed, one can download the source code from github and then extract the code to whichever directory one desires. Open the terminal and go to the top level directory of the source code and execute:

#### Python setup.py install --record install\_file.txt

This will compile the source code and copy it to the installation directory of Python recording the installation location to <code>install\_file.txt</code>. To update the code, you must first completely remove the current version installed and then install the new code. The <code>install\_file.txt</code> can be used to remove the package by running:

```
cat install_file.txt | xargs rm -rf.
```

#### A.2 Windows

To install Anaconda/miniconda on Windows, download the installer and execute it to install the program. Once Anaconda/miniconda is installed open the conda terminal and do one of the following to install the package:

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```

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### B Complete Example Codes

Q<sup>u</sup>Sρ<sub>i</sub>N Example Code 1: Adiabatic Control of Parameters in MBL Phases

```
1 from qspin.operators import hamiltonian # Hamiltonians and operators
2 from qspin.basis import spin_basis_1d # Hilbert space spin basis
3 from qspin.tools.measurements import ent_entropy, diag_ensemble # entropies
4 from numpy.random import ranf, seed # pseudo random numbers
5 from joblib import delayed, Parallel # parallelisation
6 import numpy as np # generic math functions
7 from time import time # timing package
9 ##### define simulation parameters #####
10 n_real=20 # number of disorder realisations
11 n_jobs=2 # number of spawned processes used for parallelisation
13 ##### define model parameters #####
14 L=10 # system size
15 Jxy=1.0 # xy interaction
16 Jzz_0=1.0 # zz interaction at time t=0
17 h_MBL=3.9 # MBL disorder strength
18 h_ETH=0.1 # delocalised disorder strength
19 vs=np.logspace(-2.0,0.0,num=20,base=10) # log_2-spaced vector of ramp speeds
21 ##### set up Heisenberg Hamiltonian with linearly varying zz-interaction #####
22 # define linear ramp function
v = 1.0 # declare ramp speed variable
24 def ramp(t):
      return (0.5 + v*t)
25
26 ramp_args=[]
27 # compute basis in the 0-total magnetisation sector (requires L even)
28 basis = spin_basis_1d(L,Nup=L/2,pauli=False)
29 # define operators with OBC using site-coupling lists
30 J_zz = [[Jzz_0,i,i+1]] for i in range(L-1)] # OBC
31 J_xy = [[Jxy/2.0,i,i+1]] for i in range(L-1)] # OBC
32 # static and dynamic lists
33 static = [["+-",J_xy],["-+",J_xy]]
34 dynamic =[["zz", J_zz, ramp, ramp_args]]
35 # compute the time-dependent Heisenberg Hamiltonian
36 H_XXZ = hamiltonian(static,dynamic,basis=basis,dtype=np.float64)
  ##### calculate diagonal and entanglement entropies #####
  def realization(vs,H_XXZ,basis,real):
39
40
41
      This function computes the entropies for a single disorder realisation.
      --- arguments ---
42
      vs: vector of ramp speeds
43
      H_XXZ: time-dep. Heisenberg Hamiltonian with driven zz-interactions
44
      basis: spin_basis_1d object containing the spin basis
45
      n_real: number of disorder realisations; used only for timing
46
47
      ti = time() # start timer
```

```
49
       global v # declare ramp speed v a global variable
50
51
       seed() # the random number needs to be seeded for each parallel process
52
53
       # draw random field uniformly from [-1.0,1.0] for each lattice site
54
       unscaled_fields=-1+2*ranf((basis.L,))
55
       # define z-field operator site-coupling list
56
       h_z=[[unscaled_fields[i],i] for i in range(basis.L)]
57
       # static list
58
       disorder_field = [["z",h_z]]
59
       # compute disordered z-field Hamiltonian
60
       no_checks={"check_herm":False,"check_pcon":False,"check_symm":False}
61
       Hz=hamiltonian(disorder_field,[],basis=basis,dtype=np.float64,**no_checks)
62
       # compute the MBL and ETH Hamiltonians for the same disorder realisation
63
       H_MBL=H_XXZ+h_MBL*Hz
64
       H_ETH=H_XXZ+h_ETH*Hz
65
66
       ### ramp in MBL phase ###
67
       v=1.0 # reset ramp speed to unity
68
       # calculate the energy at infinite temperature for initial MBL Hamiltonian
69
       eigsh_args={"k":2,"which":"BE","maxiter":1E10,"return_eigenvectors":False}
70
       Emin,Emax=H_MBL.eigsh(time=0.0,**eigsh_args)
71
       E_{inf_{emp}}(E_{max}+E_{min})/2.0
72
       # calculate nearest eigenstate to energy at infinite temperature
73
       E,psi_0=H_MBL.eigsh(time=0.0,k=1,sigma=E_inf_temp,maxiter=1E10)
74
       psi_0=psi_0.reshape((-1,))
75
       # calculate the eigensystem of the final MBL hamiltonian
76
       E_final, V_final=H_MBL.eigh(time=(0.5/vs[-1]))
77
       # evolve states and calculate entropies in MBL phase
78
       run_MBL=[_do_ramp(psi_0,H_MBL,basis,v,E_final,V_final) for v in vs]
79
       run_MBL=np.vstack(run_MBL).T
81
       ### ramp in ETH phase ###
82
       v=1.0 # reset ramp speed to unity
83
84
       # calculate the energy at infinite temperature for initial ETH hamiltonian
       Emin,Emax=H_ETH.eigsh(time=0.0,**eigsh_args)
85
       E_{inf_{emp}} = (E_{max} + E_{min})/2.0
86
       # calculate nearest eigenstate to energy at infinite temperature
87
       E,psi_0=H_ETH.eigsh(time=0.0,k=1,sigma=E_inf_temp,maxiter=1E10)
88
       psi_0=psi_0.reshape((-1,))
89
       # calculate the eigensystem of the final ETH hamiltonian
90
       E_final, V_final=H_ETH.eigh(time=(0.5/vs[-1]))
91
       # evolve states and calculate entropies in ETH phase
92
       run_ETH=[_do_ramp(psi_0,H_ETH,basis,v,E_final,V_final) for v in vs]
93
       run_ETH=np.vstack(run_ETH).T # stack vertically elements of list run_ETH
94
       # show time taken
       print "realization {0}/{1} took {2:.2f} sec".format(real+1,n_real,time()-ti)
96
97
       return run_MBL,run_ETH
98
100 ##### evolve state and evaluate entropies #####
def _do_ramp(psi_0,H,basis,v,E_final,V_final):
```

```
102
       Auxiliary function to evolve the state and calculate the entropies after the
103
       ramp.
104
       --- arguments ---
105
       psi_0: initial state
106
       H: time-dependent Hamiltonian
107
       basis: spin_basis_1d object containing the spin basis (required for Sent)
108
       E_final, V_final: eigensystem of H(t_f) at the end of the ramp t_f=1/(2v)
109
110
       # determine total ramp time
111
       t_f = 0.5/v
112
       # time-evolve state from time 0.0 to time t_f
113
       psi = H.evolve(psi_0,0.0,t_f)
114
       # calculate entanglement entropy
115
       subsys = range(basis.L/2) # define subsystem
       Sent = ent_entropy(psi,basis,chain_subsys=subsys)["Sent"]
117
       # calculate diagonal entropy in the basis of H(t_f)
118
       S_d = diag_ensemble(basis.L,psi,E_final,V_final,Sd_Renyi=True)["Sd_pure"]
119
120
       return np.asarray([S_d,Sent])
121
122
  ##### produce data for n_real disorder realisations #####
123
124
125 # alternative way without parallelisation
  data = np.asarray([realization(vs,H_XXZ,basis,i) for i in xrange(n_real)])
127
128 data = np.asarray(Parallel(n_jobs=n_jobs)(delayed(realization)(vs,H_XXZ,basis,i) for
        i in xrange(n_real)))
run_MBL,run_ETH = zip(*data) # extract MBL and data
130 # average over disorder
mean_MBL = np.mean(run_MBL,axis=0)
132 mean_ETH = np.mean(run_ETH,axis=0)
133 #
134 ##### plot results #####
135 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
136 ### MBL plot ###
fig, pltarr1 = plt.subplots(2,sharex=True) # define subplot panel
138 # subplot 1: diag enetropy vs ramp speed
139 pltarr1[0].plot(vs,mean_MBL[0],label="MBL",marker=".",color="blue") # plot data
140 pltarr1[0].set_ylabel("$s_d(t_f)$",fontsize=22) # label y-axis
141 pltarr1[0].set_xlabel("$v/J_{zz}(0)$",fontsize=22) # label x-axis
pltarr1[0].set_xscale("log") # set log scale on x-axis
pltarr1[0].grid(True,which='both') # plot grid
pltarr1[0].tick_params(labelsize=16)
145 # subplot 2: entanglement entropy vs ramp speed
146 pltarr1[1].plot(vs,mean_MBL[1],marker=".",color="blue") # plot data
147 pltarr1[1].set_ylabel("$s_\mathrm{ent}(t_f)$",fontsize=22) # label y-axis
148 pltarr1[1].set_xlabel("$v/J_{zz}(0)$", fontsize=22) # label x-axis
pltarr1[1].set_xscale("log") # set log scale on x-axis
150 pltarr1[1].grid(True,which='both') # plot grid
pltarr1[1].tick_params(labelsize=16)
152 # save figure
fig.savefig('example1_MBL.pdf', bbox_inches='tight')
```

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154 #
155 ### ETH plot ###
156 fig, pltarr2 = plt.subplots(2,sharex=True) # define subplot panel
157 # subplot 1: diag enetropy vs ramp speed
pltarr2[0].plot(vs,mean_ETH[0],marker=".",color="green") # plot data
pltarr2[0].set_ylabel("$s_d(t_f)$", fontsize=22) # label y-axis
160 pltarr2[0].set_xlabel("$v/J_{zz}(0)$",fontsize=22) # label x-axis
pltarr2[0].set_xscale("log") # set log scale on x-axis
pltarr2[0].grid(True,which='both') # plot grid
pltarr2[0].tick_params(labelsize=16)
164 # subplot 2: entanglement entropy vs ramp speed
pltarr2[1].plot(vs,mean_ETH[1],marker=".",color="green") # plot data
166 pltarr2[1].set_ylabel("$s_\mathrm{ent}(t_f)$",fontsize=22) # label y-axis
167 pltarr2[1].set_xlabel("$v/J_{zz}(0)$",fontsize=22) # label x-axis
pltarr2[1].set_xscale("log") # set log scale on x-axis
pltarr2[1].grid(True,which='both') # plot grid
pltarr2[1].tick_params(labelsize=16)
171 # save figure
fig.savefig('example1_ETH.pdf', bbox_inches='tight')
174 plt.show() # show plots
```

Q<sup>u</sup>Sρ<sub>i</sub>N Example Code 2: Heating in Periodically Driven Spin Chains

```
1 from qspin.operators import hamiltonian # Hamiltonians and operators
2 from qspin.basis import spin_basis_1d # Hilbert space spin basis
3 from qspin.tools.measurements import obs_vs_time, diag_ensemble # t_dep measurements
4 from qspin.tools.Floquet import Floquet, Floquet_t_vec # Floquet Hamiltonian
5 import numpy as np # generic math functions
7 ##### define model parameters #####
8 L=14 # system size
9 J=1.0 # spin interaction
10 g=0.809 # transverse field
11 h=0.9045 # parallel field
12 Omega=4.5 # drive frequency
14 ##### set up alternating Hamiltonians #####
15 # define time-reversal symmetric periodic step drive
16 def drive(t,Omega):
      return np.sign(np.cos(Omega*t))
17
18 drive_args=[Omega]
19 # compute basis in the 0-total momentum and +1-parity sector
20 basis=spin_basis_1d(L=L,kblock=0,pblock=1)
21 # define PBC site-coupling lists for operators
22 x_field_pos=[[+g,i] for i in range(L)]
23 x_field_neg=[[-g,i] for i in range(L)]
24 z_field=[[h,i]
                      for i in range(L)]
25 J_nn=[[J,i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
26 # static and dynamic lists
27 static=[["zz", J_nn], ["z", z_field], ["x", x_field_pos]]
  dynamic=[["zz", J_nn, drive, drive_args],
            ["z",z_field,drive,drive_args],["x",x_field_neg,drive,drive_args]]
30 # compute Hamiltonians
31 H=0.5*hamiltonian(static,dynamic,dtype=np.float64,basis=basis)
32 #
33 ##### set up second-order van Vleck Floquet Hamiltonian ####
34 # zeroth-order term
### Heff_0=0.5*hamiltonian(static,[],dtype=np.float64,basis=basis)
36 # second-order term: site-coupling lists
37 Heff2_term_1=[[+J**2*g,i,(i+1)%L,(i+2)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
38 Heff2_term_2=[[+J*g*h, i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
39 Heff2_term_3=[[-J*g**2,i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
40 Heff2_term_4=[[+J**2*g+0.5*h**2*g,i] for i in range(L)]
41 Heff2_term_5=[[0.5*h*g**2,
                                     i] for i in range(L)]
42 # define static list
43 Heff_static=[["zxz",Heff2_term_1],
                ["xz",Heff2_term_2],["zx",Heff2_term_2],
44
                ["yy", Heff2_term_3], ["zz", Heff2_term_2],
45
                ["x", Heff2_term_4],
46
                ["z",Heff2_term_5]
                                                            ]
48 # compute van Vleck Hamiltonian
49 Heff_2=hamiltonian(Heff_static,[],dtype=np.float64,basis=basis)
50 Heff_2*=-np.pi**2/(12.0*Omega**2)
51 # zeroth + second order van Vleck Floquet Hamiltonian
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52 Heff_02=Heff_0+Heff_2
54 ##### set up second-order van Vleck Kick operator #####
55 Keff2_term_1=[[J*g,i,(i+1)%L] for i in range(L)] # PBC
56 Keff2_term_2=[[h*g,i] for i in range(L)]
57 # define static list
58 Keff_static=[["zy",Keff2_term_1],["yz",Keff2_term_1],["y",Keff2_term_2]]
59 Keff_02=hamiltonian(Keff_static,[],dtype=np.complex128,basis=basis)
60 Keff_02*=-np.pi**2/(8.0*Omega**2)
62 ##### rotate Heff to stroboscopic basis #####
63 # e^{-1j*Keff_02} Heff_02 e^{+1j*Keff_02}
64 HF_02 = Heff_02.rotate_by(Keff_02,generator=True,a=-1j)
65 #
  ##### define time vector of stroboscopic times with 100 cycles #####
67 t=Floquet_t_vec(Omega,100,len_T=1) # t.vals=times, t.i=init. time, t.T=drive period
69 ##### calculate exact Floquet eigensystem #####
_{70} t_list=np.array([0.0,t.T/4.0,3.0*t.T/4.0])+np.finfo(float).eps # times to evaluate H
71 dt_list=np.array([t.T/4.0,t.T/2.0,t.T/4.0]) # time step durations to apply H for
72 Floq=Floquet({'H':H,'t_list':t_list,'dt_list':dt_list},VF=True) # call Floquet class
73 VF=Floq.VF # read off Floquet states
74 EF=Floq.EF # read off quasienergies
76 ##### calculate initial state (GS of HF_02) and its energy
77 EF_02, VF_02 = HF_02.eigh()
78 EF_{02}, psi_i = EF_{02}[0], VF_{02}[:,0]
80 ##### time-dependent measurements
81 # calculate measurements
82 Sent_args = {"basis":basis,"chain_subsys":[j for j in range(L/2)]}
83 meas = obs_vs_time((psi_i,EF,VF),t.vals,[HF_02/L],Sent_args=Sent_args)
84
85 # alternative way by solving Schroedinger's eqn
86 psi_t = H.evolve(psi_i,t.i,t.vals,iterate=True,rtol=1E-9,atol=1E-9)
87 meas = obs_vs_time(psi_t,t.vals,[HF_02/L],Sent_args=Sent_args)
88
89 # read off measurements
90 Energy_t = meas["Expt_time"]
91 Entropy_t = meas["Sent_time"]["Sent"]
93 ##### calculate diagonal ensemble measurements
94 DE_args = {"Obs":HF_02,"Sd_Renyi":True,"Srdm_Renyi":True,"Srdm_args":Sent_args}
95 DE = diag_ensemble(L,psi_i,EF,VF,**DE_args)
96 Ed = DE["Obs_pure"]
97 Sd = DE["Sd_pure"]
98 Srdm=DE["Srdm_pure"]
100 ##### plot results #####
101 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
102 import pylab
103 # define legend labels
104 str_E_t = "$\\mathcal{E}(1T)$"
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str_Sent_t = "$s_\mathrm{ent}(1T)$"
str_Ed = "$\\overline{\mathcal{E}}$"
str_Srdm = "$\\overline{s}_\mathrm{rdm}$"
108 str_Sd = "$s_d^F$"
109 # plot infinite-time data
fig = plt.figure()
plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,Ed*np.ones(t.vals.shape),"b--",linewidth=1,label=str_Ed)
plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,Srdm*np.ones(t.vals.shape),"r--",linewidth=1,label=str_Srdm)
113 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,Sd*np.ones(t.vals.shape),"g--",linewidth=1,label=str_Sd)
114 # plot time-dependent data
115 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,Energy_t,"b-o",linewidth=1,label=str_E_t,markersize=3.0)
116 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,Entropy_t,"r-s",linewidth=1,label=str_Sent_t,markersize=3.0)
117 # label axes
118 plt.xlabel("$\\#\ \\mathrm{periods}\\ 1$",fontsize=18)
119 # set y axis limits
120 plt.ylim([-0.6,0.7])
121 # display legend
plt.legend(loc="lower right",ncol=2,fontsize=18)
123 # update axis font size
plt.tick_params(labelsize=16)
125 # turn on grid
plt.grid(True)
127 # save figure
fig.savefig('example2.pdf', bbox_inches='tight')
129 # show plot
130 plt.show()
```

Q<sup>u</sup>Sρ; N Example Code 3: Quantised Light-Atom Interactions in the Semi-classical Limit

```
1 from qspin.basis import spin_basis_1d,photon_basis # Hilbert space bases
2 from gspin.operators import hamiltonian # Hamiltonian and observables
3 from qspin.tools.measurements import obs_vs_time # t_dep measurements
4 from qspin.tools.Floquet import Floquet,Floquet_t_vec # Floquet Hamiltonian
5 from qspin.basis.photon import coherent_state # HO coherent state
6 import numpy as np # generic math functions
8 ##### define model parameters #####
9 Nph_tot=60 # total number of photon states
10 Nph=Nph_tot/2 # mean number of photons in initial coherent state
11 Omega=3.5 # drive frequency
12 A=0.8 # spin-photon coupling strength (drive amplitude)
13 Delta=1.0 # difference between atom energy levels
14 #
15 ##### set up photon-atom Hamiltonian #####
# define operator site-coupling lists
17 ph_energy=[[Omega]] # photon energy
18 at_energy=[[Delta,0]] # atom energy
absorb=[[A/(2.0*np.sqrt(Nph)),0]] # absorption term
emit=[[A/(2.0*np.sqrt(Nph)),0]] # emission term
21 # define static and dynamics lists
22 static=[["|n",ph_energy],["x|-",absorb],["x|+",emit],["z|",at_energy]]
23 dynamic=[]
24 # compute atom-photon basis
25 basis=photon_basis(spin_basis_1d,L=1,Nph=Nph_tot)
26 # compute atom-photon Hamiltonian H
27 H=hamiltonian(static,dynamic,dtype=np.float64,basis=basis)
29 ##### set up semi-classical Hamiltonian #####
30 # define operators
31 dipole_op=[[A,0]]
32 # define periodic drive and its parameters
33 def drive(t,Omega):
      return np.cos(Omega*t)
34
35 drive_args=[Omega]
36 # define semi-classical static and dynamic lists
static_sc=[["z",at_energy]]
38 dynamic_sc=[["x",dipole_op,drive,drive_args]]
39 # compute semi-classical basis
40 basis_sc=spin_basis_1d(L=1)
41 # compute semi-classical Hamiltonian H_{sc}(t)
42 H_sc=hamiltonian(static_sc,dynamic_sc,dtype=np.float64,basis=basis_sc)
44 ##### define initial state #####
45 # define atom ground state
46 psi_at_i=np.array([1.0,0.0]) # spin-down eigenstate of \sigma^z
47 # define photon coherent state with mean photon number Nph
48 psi_ph_i=coherent_state(np.sqrt(Nph),Nph_tot+1)
49 # compute atom-photon initial state as a tensor product
50 psi_i=np.kron(psi_at_i,psi_ph_i)
51 #
```

```
52 ##### calculate time evolution #####
53 # define time vector over 30 driving cycles with 100 points per period
54 t=Floquet_t_vec(Omega, 30) # t.i = initial time, t.T = driving period
55 # evolve atom-photon state with Hamiltonian H
psi_t=H.evolve(psi_i,t.i,t.vals,iterate=True,rtol=1E-9,atol=1E-9)
57 # evolve atom GS with semi-classical Hamiltonian H_sc
58 psi_sc_t=H_sc.evolve(psi_at_i,t.i,t.vals,iterate=True,rtol=1E-9,atol=1E-9)
60 ##### define observables #####
61 # define observables parameters
62 obs_args={"basis":basis,"check_herm":False,"check_symm":False}
63 obs_args_sc={"basis":basis_sc,"check_herm":False,"check_symm":False}
64 # in atom-photon Hilbert space
65 n=hamiltonian([["|n", [[1.0 ]]]],[],dtype=np.float64,**obs_args)
66 sz=hamiltonian([["z|",[[1.0,0]]]],[],dtype=np.float64,**obs_args)
67 sy=hamiltonian([["y|", [[1.0,0]]]],[],dtype=np.complex128,**obs_args)
68 # in the semi-classical Hilbert space
69 sz_sc=hamiltonian([["z",[[1.0,0]]]],[],dtype=np.float64,**obs_args_sc)
70 sy_sc=hamiltonian([["y",[[1.0,0]]]],[],dtype=np.complex128,**obs_args_sc)
71 #
72 ##### calculate expectation values #####
73 # in atom-photon Hilbert space
74 Obs_t = obs_vs_time(psi_t,t.vals,(n,sz,sy))["Expt_time"]
75 O_n, O_sz, O_sy = Obs_t[:,0], Obs_t[:,1], Obs_t[:,2]
76 # in the semi-classical Hilbert space
77 Obs_sc_t = obs_vs_time(psi_sc_t,t.vals,(sz_sc,sy_sc))["Expt_time"]
78 O_sz_sc, O_sy_sc = Obs_sc_t[:,0], Obs_sc_t[:,1]
79 ##### plot results #####
80 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
81 import pylab
82 # define legend labels
83 str_n = "$\\langle n\\rangle,$"
84 str_z = "$\\langle\\sigma^z\\rangle,$"
str_x = "$\\langle\\sigma^x\\rangle,$"
str_z_sc = "$\\langle\\sigma^z\\rangle_\\mathrm{sc},$"
87 str_x_sc = "$\\langle\\sigma^x\\rangle_\\mathrm{sc}$"
88 # plot spin-photon data
89 fig = plt.figure()
90 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,O_n/Nph,"k",linewidth=1,label=str_n)
91 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,0_sz,"c",linewidth=1,label=str_z)
92 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,0_sy,"tan",linewidth=1,label=str_x)
93 # plot semi-classical data
94 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,O_sz_sc,"b.",marker=".",markersize=1.8,label=str_z_sc)
95 plt.plot(t.vals/t.T,O_sy_sc,"r.",marker=".",markersize=2.0,label=str_x_sc)
96 # label axes
97 plt.xlabel("$t/T$", fontsize=18)
98 # set y axis limits
99 plt.ylim([-1.1,1.4])
100 # display legend horizontally
plt.legend(loc="upper right",ncol=5,columnspacing=0.6,numpoints=4)
102 # update axis font size
plt.tick_params(labelsize=16)
104 # turn on grid
```

```
plt.grid(True)
106 # save figure
107 fig.savefig('example3.pdf', bbox_inches='tight')
108 # show plot
109 plt.show()
```

### C Package Documentation

The complete up-to-date documentation for the package is available online under:

https://github.com/weinbe58/qspin

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