

Quantum Information and Computing

prof: *Simone Montangero*

Report of exercise 9 *Transverse field Ising Model*

Alberto Bassi

December 14, 2020

Abstract

The aim of this exercise is to solve the quantum transverse field Ising model.

Theory

Let us consider the N-bodies hamiltonian acting on $\mathcal{H}_N = \otimes_{k=1}^N \mathcal{H}$, where $\mathcal{H} \equiv \mathbb{C}^2$ is the one-body spin 1/2 Hilbert space,

$$\hat{H} = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_z^i + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \sigma_x^i \sigma_x^{i+1}, \quad (1)$$

where σ_x and σ_z are the Pauli matrices.

Generally, given an operator acting on a single body Hilbert space, its action on Hilbert spaces' tensor product can be obtained by tensor multiplication with identities acting on the other Hilbert spaces. Namely, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_z^i &= \mathbb{1}_{i-1} \otimes \sigma_z \otimes \mathbb{1}_{N-i}, \\ \sigma_x^i \sigma_x^{i+1} &= \mathbb{1}_{i-1} \otimes \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_x \otimes \mathbb{1}_{N-i-1}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where $\mathbb{1}_k$ is the identity acting on \mathcal{H}_k .

The aim of this exercise is to solve exactly the model by implementing and diagonalizing the hamiltonian of [Equation 1](#). We will repeat this procedure by varying the field strength λ in the interval $[0, 3]$.

Code Development

In the module named **manybodyQS** we have written more subroutines to deal with the problem given so far. We shall need to initialize the require matrices at first. For instance, by calling **init_sigmax** we will initialize σ_x acting on \mathcal{H} .

```
1  subroutine init_sigmax(sigmax)
2      implicit none
3      double complex, dimension(:,,:), allocatable :: sigmax
4      allocate(sigmax(2,2))
5      sigmax=cmplx(0d0,0d0)
6      sigmax(1,2)=cmplx(1d0,0d0)
7      sigmax(2,1)=cmplx(1d0,0d0)
8  end subroutine init_sigmax
```

Then, the subroutine **init_identity** initializes a generic identity acting on a Hilbert space of dimension 2^k , which is indeed the tensor product of k identity operator acting on \mathcal{H} .

```
1  subroutine init_identity(identity,DD,kk)
2      implicit none
3      integer DD,kk,ii
4      double complex, dimension(:,,:), allocatable::identity
5      allocate(identity(DD**kk,DD**kk))
6      identity=cmplx(0d0,0d0)
```

```

7      do ii=1,DD**kk
8          identity(ii,ii)=cmplx(1d0,0d0)
9      enddo
10     end subroutine init_identity

```

But these are specific matrices needed for our particular problem. In general, we would like to initialize generic Hamiltonian to deal with generic quantum problem. At first, we would like to compute the tensor product of two generic density matrices. This is achieved with the subroutine **matrix_tens_product**

```

1  subroutine matrix_tens_product(mat1,dim1,mat2,dim2,out,dim,count)
2      implicit none
3      integer :: dim1,dim2,dim,count,jj,ii,ll,kk
4      double complex, dimension(dim1,dim1) :: mat1
5      double complex, dimension(dim2,dim2) :: mat2
6      double complex, dimension(dim,dim):: out
7      if(dim1*dim2.ne.dim) then
8          print *, "Subsystems dimensions product different: ERROR"
9          count=count+1
10     endif
11     do jj=0,dim1-1
12         do ii=0,dim1-1
13             do kk=0,dim2-1
14                 do ll=0,dim2-1
15                     out(ii*dim2+ll+1,jj*dim2+kk+1)=mat1(ii+1,jj+1)*mat2(ll+1,kk+1)
16                 enddo
17             enddo
18         enddo
19     enddo
20 end subroutine matrix_tens_product

```

Bearing this in mind, by means of the subroutine **init_ising_hamiltonian**, we initialize the hamiltonian given by Equation 1. At first, we initialize the one-particle matrices needed, the Hamiltonian completely filled by zeros and some temporary matrices which we will make use of during the initialization loop ahead.

```

1  subroutine init_ising_hamiltonian(hamiltonian,DD,NN,lambd,status,count)
2      implicit none
3      integer :: ii,jj,kk,status,DD,NN,count
4      double precision :: lambda
5      double complex, dimension (:,:), allocatable :: hamiltonian,temp,temp_up,sigmax,sigmaz,
6      identity,prod
7      if(NN<2) then
8          print *, "Invalid number of particles. Set NN=2"
9          NN=2
10     endif
11     call init_sigmax(sigmax)
12     call init_sigmaz(sigmaz)
13     allocate(hamiltonian(DD**NN,DD**NN),stat=status) !allocate hamiltonian
14     allocate(temp(DD**NN,DD**NN)) !allocate temp for swapping
15     allocate(prod(DD**2,DD**2)) !compute sigmax tensprod(tp) sigmax
16     call matrix_tens_product(sigmax,DD,sigmaz,DD,prod,DD**2,count)
17     hamiltonian=cmplx(0d0,0d0) !initialize to 0 hamiltonian

```

Then, we start by filling our Hamiltonian with the quadratic part, by looping between 0 and $N-2$ and computing each time the tensor product $\mathbb{1}_k \otimes \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_x \otimes \mathbb{1}_{N-k-2}$, for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N-2$. The correctness at this stage is verified by printing (here left as comments) the temporary Hamiltonians for $N = 2, 3$.

```

1  !Quadratic part of hamiltonian
2      do kk=0,NN-2
3          !compute tensor product of first k identities with sigmx tp sigmx
4          allocate(temp_up(DD**(kk+2),DD**(kk+2)))
5          call init_identity(identity,DD,kk)
6          call matrix_tens_product(identity,DD**kk,prod,DD**2,temp_up,DD**(kk+2),count)
7          deallocate(identity)
8          !Compute the second tensor product
9          call init_identity(identity,DD,NN-kk-2)
10         call matrix_tens_product(temp_up,DD**(kk+2),identity,DD**(NN-kk-2),temp,DD**NN,
11         count)
12         deallocate(identity,temp_up)
13         !Sum to get the hamiltonian
14         hamiltonian=hamiltonian+temp
15         !print *, "Temp_quad"
16         !do ii=1,DD**NN
17         !print *, (temp(ii,jj),jj=1,DD**NN)
18         !enddo
19     enddo

```

Then, in a similar manner we add to it the linear part by computing the tensor product $\mathbb{1}_k \otimes \sigma_z \otimes \mathbb{1}_{N-k-1}$, for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$. The correctness is checked by looking at the temporary Hamiltonians for different N . Since now we expect them to be diagonal, it is sufficient to print only the diagonal. Indeed, due to the properties of σ_z , which is diagonal, the entry corresponding to the binary index (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N) , where $i_j = 0, 1, \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, N$, is $\sum_{j=1}^N (-1)^{i_j}$. By exploiting this property and also the properties of σ_x , we could have initialized the Hamiltonian in a more straightforward way. However, the initialization time is negligible with respect to diagonalization time, as we shall see, therefore we would have gained too little.

```

1  !Linear part of hamiltonian
2      do kk=0, NN-1
3          !compute tensor product of first part. Now sigma_z
4          allocate(temp_up(DD**(kk+1), DD**(kk+1)))
5          call init_identity(identity, DD, kk)
6          call matrix_tens_product(identity, DD**kk, sigma_z, DD, temp_up, DD**(kk+1), count)
7          deallocate(identity)
8          !Compute second part
9          call init_identity(identity, DD, NN-kk-1)
10         call matrix_tens_product(temp_up, DD**(kk+1), identity, DD**(NN-kk-1), temp, DD**NN,
count)
11         deallocate(identity, temp_up)
12         !Sum to get hamiltonian
13         hamiltonian=hamiltonian+temp*lambda
14         !print *, "Temp_lin_diag"
15         !do ii=1, DD**NN
16         !print *, temp(ii, ii)
17         !enddo
18     enddo
19     deallocate(temp, sigma_x, sigma_z, prod)
20 end subroutine init_ising_hamiltonian

```

In the end, in "main.f95" the program `ising` initializes the hamiltonian for a given N and it diagonalizes it for a number N_{lam} of λ 's equispaced in $[0, 3]$.

```

1  do zz=1, N_lam
2      call cpu_time(start)
3      lambda=3/dbl(N_lam)*(zz-1)
4      !Initialize hamiltonian
5      call init_ising_hamiltonian(hamiltonian, DD, NN, lambda, status, count)
6      call check_allocation(status, debug, printer)
7      call cpu_time(finish1)
8      !Diagonalize hamiltonian
9      lda=max(1, DD**NN)
10     lwork=max(1, 2*DD**NN-1)
11     allocate(w(DD**NN))
12     allocate(work(lwork))
13     allocate(rwork(max(1, 3*DD**NN-2)))
14     call zheev('N', 'U', DD**NN, hamiltonian, lda, w, work, lwork, rwork, info)
15     do hh=1, kk
16         levels(zz, hh)=w(hh)
17     enddo
18     deallocate(hamiltonian, w, work, rwork)
19     call cpu_time(finish2)
20     if (zz==1) then
21         open(13, file="data/time.txt", status='unknown', access='append')
22         write(13,*) NN, finish2-start, finish2-finish1
23         close(13)
24     endif
25 enddo

```

Results

Computation time

We have calculated the first four eigenvalues for $N = 2, 3, 4, \dots, 12$, for 300 values of λ equispaced in $[0, 3]$. In order to compare the total computation time, we have completed a simulation also for $N = 13$, but since it took nearly 600 seconds, it was unthinkable to run it again for 300 times. In fact, the $N = 12$, $N_{lam} = 300$ had been completed in more than 4 hours¹.

¹MSI Leopard Pro(2017).

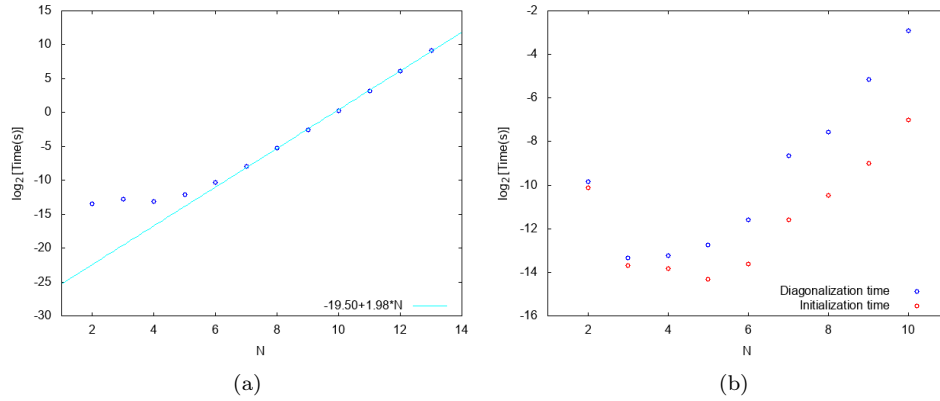


Figure 1: a) shows the total computation time vs N . b) shows the diagonalization time compared to initialization time.

In Figure 1 graphs to compare computation time are reported. We can notice that in logarithmic scale ($\log_2(\text{time})$ vs N) the plot is a straight line, which has been fitted from $N = 6$. We can appreciate that for lower N the total computation time is comparable with fixed-time operations, while this fixed-time becomes negligible as N grows, so that we can appreciate the linear growth, as expected. Moreover, from the right plot we can clearly see that the initialization time is negligible w.r.t. diagonalization time. Therefore, we do not lose too much time from this brute-force initialization instead of using the way which exploits Pauli's matrices symmetries.

Energy levels

Since the chain is finite, it suffers from boundary conditions. In Figure 2 the plot of first two eigenvalues of the corrected energy is reported. Since we have two spins $1/2$ at boundary, the corrected energy density is $E/(N-1)$, which converges to the true energy density in the thermodynamic limit. We can notice that for $\lambda = 0$, $E = N - 1$, as we would expect from an Ising chain with a null field with open boundary conditions.

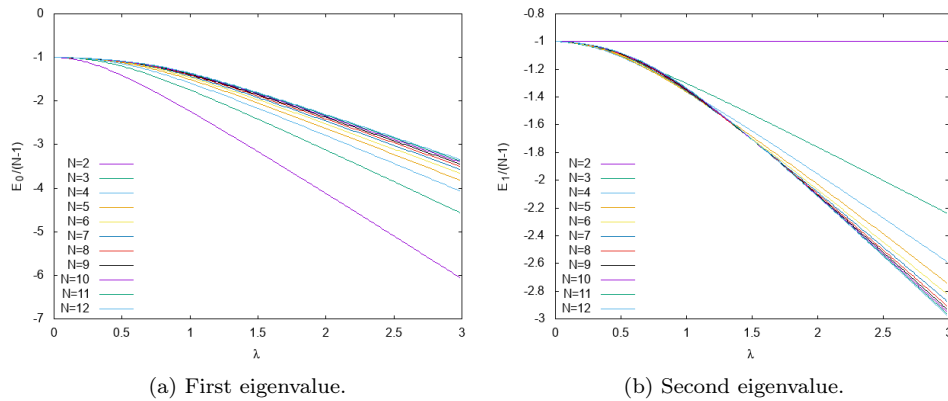


Figure 2: The energy density for the first eigenvalues.

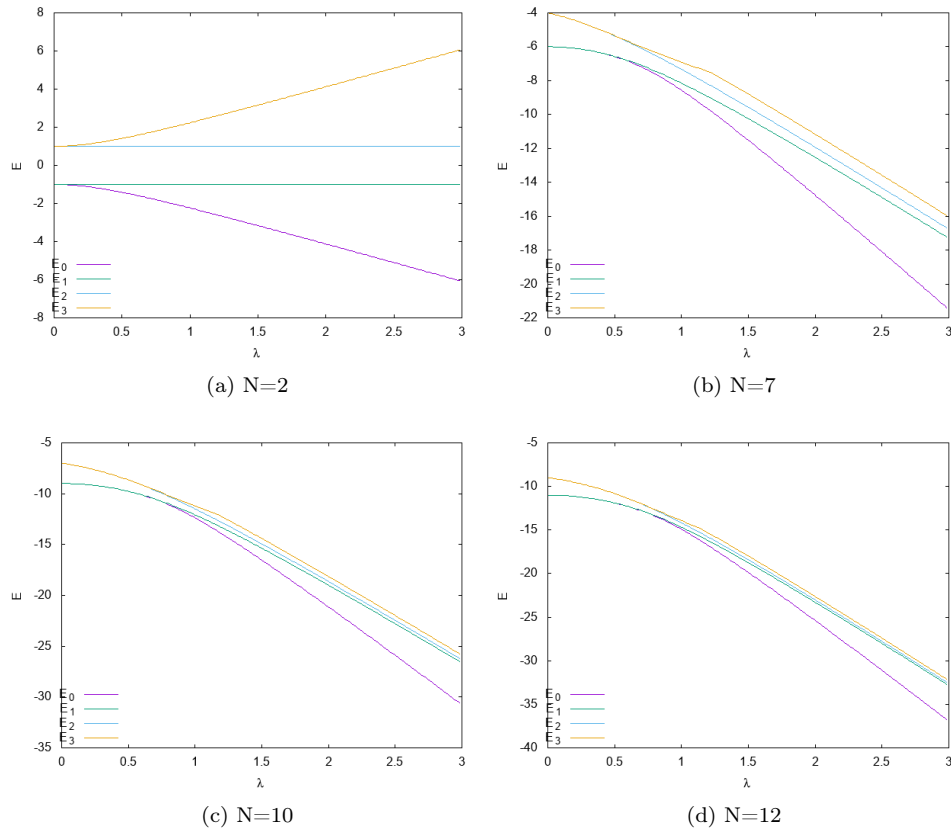
Degeneracy

We plot the the first 4 eigenvalues for different values of N . The results are reported in Figure 3.

Since for $\lambda = 0$ the field is switched off, we would expect that the ground state is double degenerated, with the two states corresponding to either all spins up or all spins down. The results confirm this expectation.

Self Evaluation

This week we have learned how to solve the transverse field Ising model. We solved it exactly, but with a limited number of spins, since the computation time grows exponentially. In order to handle with more spins,

Figure 3: Degeneracy of first eigenvalues for different N .

approximated approaches must be performed.

To improve the code, we could initialize the Hamiltonian in a cleverer way, even if we have verified that the computation time needed is almost all due to diagonalization.

The code is very flexible, even if not very optimized, because it can be reconverted without too effort to other quantum problems.