

1D Chain of Majorana Fermions

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Method

Using DRMG, with open and periodic boundary conditions

Model

Use O'Brien and Fendley (OF) model

$$\mathcal{H} = 2\lambda_I \mathcal{H}_I + \lambda_3 \mathcal{H}_3 + \lambda_c \mathcal{H}_c$$

with

$$\mathcal{H}_I = i \sum_a \gamma_a \gamma_{a+1} \xrightarrow{\text{JW}} - \sum_i \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^z$$

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$$\mathcal{H}_c = -i \sum_a \gamma_a \gamma_{a+2} \xrightarrow{\text{JW}} \sum_i \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^y - \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^x$$

where

- JW is Jordan-Wigner transformation
- γ_a is a Majorana fermion operator satisfying $\gamma_a = \gamma_a^\dagger$ and Clifford algebra $\{\gamma_a, \gamma_b\} = 2\delta_{ab}$
- from now on, $\lambda_c = 0$

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For OBCs, entanglement entropy given by Cardy-Calabrese formula

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on bond ℓ for system of length L

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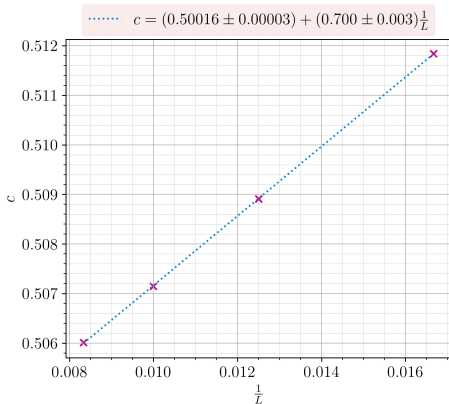


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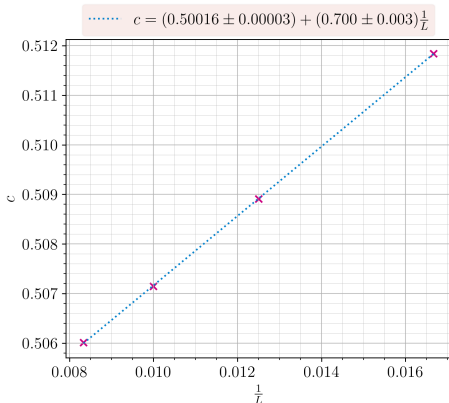


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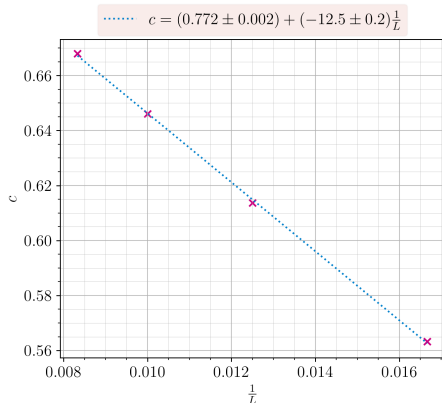


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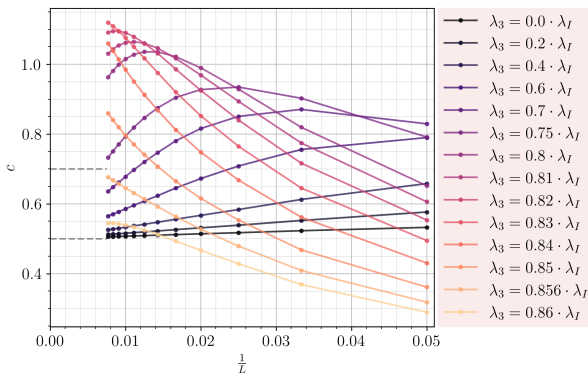


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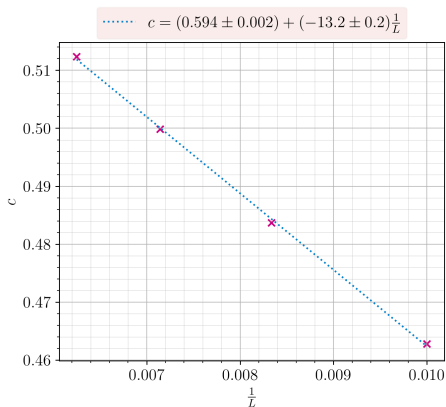


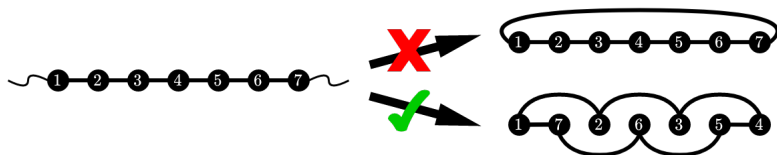
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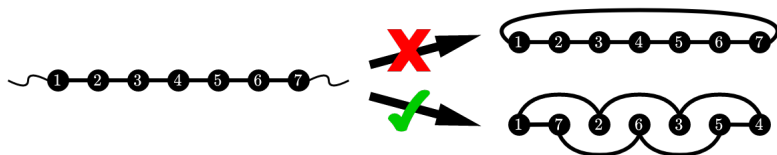
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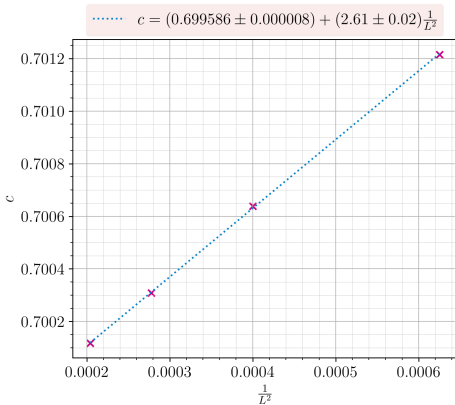


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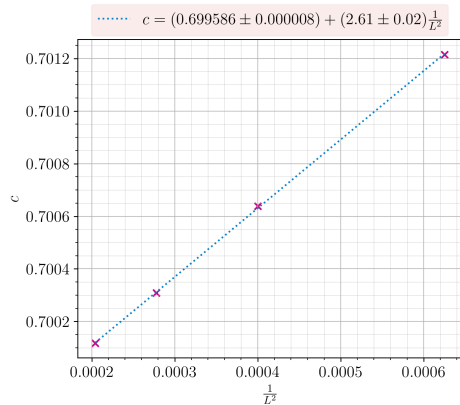


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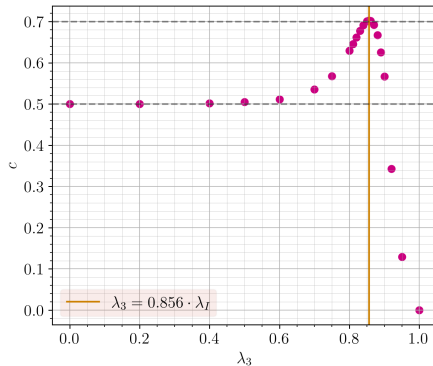


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CFT	$R_1 = \frac{A_0^- - P_0^+}{P_1^+ - P_0^+}$	$R_2 = \frac{P_0^- - P_0^+}{P_1^+ - P_0^+}$	$R_3 = \frac{P_1^- - P_0^+}{P_1^+ - P_0^+}$
Ising	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{9}{8}$
TCI	$\frac{7}{2}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{35}{8}$

Table: Universal ratios of energy computed from corresponding CFT.

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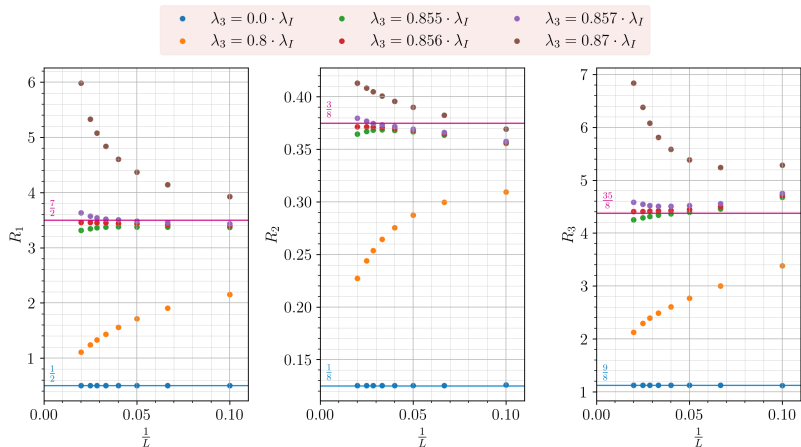


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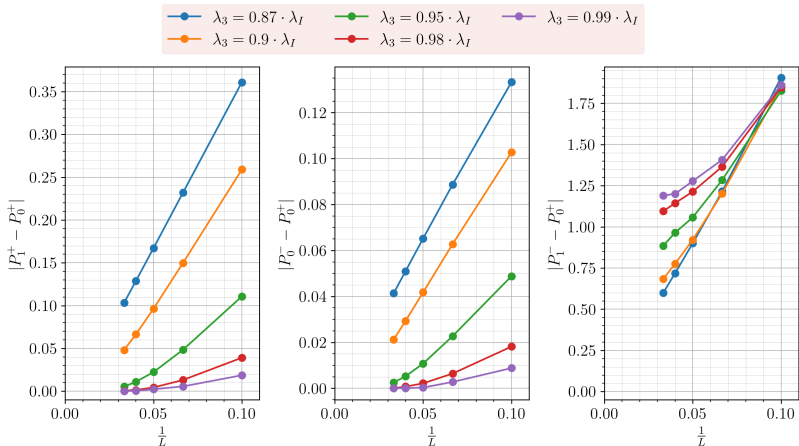


Figure: Extrapolation of the differences in energies with $\lambda_3/\lambda_I > 0.856$ varied and variance $\sim 10^{-4}$

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Further work

Introduce $\lambda_c \neq 0$ and complete phase diagram, but not done due to lack of because of struggles with TCI central charge