

## Solutions to Homework 3

### 1

Using the definition of an MPS,

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{\{i_n\}} \overline{\text{tr}(A^{i_1} \dots A^{i_N})} \text{tr}(A^{i_1} \dots A^{i_N}) = \text{tr} \left( \sum_{i_1} \bar{A}^{i_1} \otimes A^{i_1} \right) \dots \left( \sum_{i_N} \bar{A}^{i_N} \otimes A^{i_N} \right) = \text{tr} \mathbb{E}^N.$$

Using the fact that  $r$  and  $\ell$  are the fixed points of  $\varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon^*$  respectively,

$$\sum_i \tilde{A}^{i\dagger} \tilde{A}^i = \sum_i \ell^{-1/2} \underbrace{A^{i\dagger} \ell^{1/2} \ell^{1/2} A^i}_{=\ell} \ell^{-1/2} = \mathbb{1}, \quad \sum_i \tilde{A}^i \tilde{A}^{i\dagger} = \sum_i r^{-1/2} \underbrace{A^i r^{1/2} r^{1/2} A^{i\dagger}}_{=r} r^{-1/2} = \mathbb{1}.$$

Graphically, the left-canonical form corresponds to

#### Theorem 1.1 (Fundamental theorem of MPS)

*Proof.* In the large  $N$  limit, the overlap is  $|\langle \Psi_B | \Psi_A \rangle| \rightarrow |\lambda|^N$ . Clearly,  $|\lambda| \leq 1$ , and there are two possible scenarios in the thermodynamic limit:

- $|\langle \Psi_B | \Psi_A \rangle| \rightarrow 0$ , if the two states are different ( $\lambda < 1$ ),
- $|\langle \Psi_B | \Psi_A \rangle| = 1$ , if the two states are the same ( $\lambda = 1$ ).

Hence, we are interested in the case where  $\lambda = 1$ . Using the fact that the fixed point  $\rho$  is strictly positive,

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda \text{tr}(X \rho X^\dagger)|^2 &= |\text{tr}(X A^i \sqrt{\rho} \sqrt{\rho} X^\dagger B^{i\dagger})|^2 \\ &\leq \left( \sum_i \text{tr}(X A^i \rho A^{i\dagger} X^\dagger) \right) \left( \sum_i \text{tr}(B^i X \rho X^\dagger B^{i\dagger}) \right) = |\text{tr}(X \rho X^\dagger)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lambda = 1$ , the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality is satisfied with an equal sign, that means that  $u \propto v$ , i.e.  $X A^i \sqrt{\rho} = \alpha B^i X \sqrt{\rho}$ . and show that  $\alpha$  must be unity since

$$X = \sum_i B^{i\dagger} B^i X = \alpha \sum_i B^{i\dagger} X A^i = \alpha \lambda X.$$

We can also absorb it into  $X$ . Since  $\rho$  is full rank, it can be inverted,

$$X A^i = B^i X.$$

□

**Note** A diagrammatic proof has been shown during the exercise session.

### 2

Calculating the sum explicitly yields  $\sum_\sigma A^{\sigma\dagger} A^\sigma = \frac{3}{4} \mathbb{1}$ . Therefore we rescale all  $A^\sigma$  by  $2/\sqrt{3}$ ,

$$A^+ = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^- = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Calculating the transfer matrix yields

$$\mathbb{E} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues are 1,  $-1/3$ ,  $-1/3$ ,  $-1/3$ . Therefore,  $\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = 1 + 3(1/3)^L \rightarrow 1$  as  $L \rightarrow \infty$ .

## 3

After blocking  $L$  sites, we still have only two linear independent vectors, namely  $|0, \dots, 0\rangle = A^0 \dots A^0$  and  $|1, \dots, 1\rangle = A^1 \dots A^1$ . Therefore, we will never be able to span a space of  $2 \times 2$  with two vectors, hence this state will never be injective by blocking, we say its *injectivity length* is infinite. We also notice that GHZ state is scale-invariant. The transfer matrix is

$$\mathbb{E} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |\rho_\uparrow\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |\rho_\downarrow\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

it has two degenerate dominant eigenvalues 1, with associated eigenvectors  $|\rho_\uparrow\rangle$  and  $|\rho_\downarrow\rangle$ . Notice that  $\mathbb{E}^N = \mathbb{E} = |\rho_\uparrow\rangle\langle\rho_\uparrow| + |\rho_\downarrow\rangle\langle\rho_\downarrow|$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle\text{GHZ}|\text{GHZ}\rangle &= \text{tr } \mathbb{E}^N = \sum_{\mu=\uparrow,\downarrow} \langle\rho_\mu|\rho_\mu\rangle = 2 \\ \langle O_n \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\mathbb{E}_O \mathbb{E}^N) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu=\uparrow,\downarrow} \langle\rho_\mu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\mu\rangle, \\ \langle O_n O_{L+n} \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\mathbb{E}_O \mathbb{E}^{L-1} \mathbb{E}_O \mathbb{E}^N) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu,\nu=\uparrow,\downarrow} \langle\rho_\mu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\nu\rangle \langle\rho_\nu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\mu\rangle \\ C_L &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mu,\nu=\uparrow,\downarrow} 2 \langle\rho_\mu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\nu\rangle \langle\rho_\nu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\mu\rangle - \langle\rho_\mu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\mu\rangle \langle\rho_\nu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\nu\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left( |(\mathbb{E}_O)_{\uparrow\uparrow}|^2 + 4(\mathbb{E}_O)_{\uparrow\downarrow}(\mathbb{E}_O)_{\downarrow\uparrow} - 2(\mathbb{E}_O)_{\uparrow\uparrow}(\mathbb{E}_O)_{\downarrow\downarrow} + |(\mathbb{E}_O)_{\downarrow\downarrow}|^2 \right), \quad (\mathbb{E}_O)_{\mu\nu} = \langle\rho_\mu|\mathbb{E}_O|\rho_\nu\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Notice how the correlation is independent of  $L$ . The GHZ has *infinite-range correlation*, and, somewhat surprisingly, we can describe that with a non-normal MPS.

## 4

We simply repeat the results in the original paper<sup>1</sup>. If some steps are not clear, you should take a look at it. Graphically, the inverse acts as

The injectivity is preserved by concatenating tensors, since

where we omit the scalar, corresponding to the contraction of the loop  $\text{tr } \mathbb{1} = D$ .

The  $k$ -site state is

$$\left| \Psi_{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L}^{[k]} \right\rangle = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} \text{tr}(A^{i_1} \dots A^{i_k} X^{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L}) |i_1, \dots, i_k\rangle, \quad X^{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L} = A^{i_{k+1}} \dots A^{i_L}.$$

The  $k$ -site density matrix  $\rho_k$  is then

$$\rho_k = \sum_{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L} \left| \Psi_{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L}^{[k]} \right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L}^{[k]} \right|$$

We can think of this operator as a linear combination of outer products of elements in  $\mathcal{S}_k$ , hence a map  $\rho_k : \mathcal{S}_k \mapsto \mathcal{S}_k$ . Moreover, it can be shown that the injectivity of  $A$  implies that  $X^{i_{k+1}, \dots, i_L}$  spans the whole space  $\mathbf{L}(\mathbb{C}^{D \times D})$ .

<sup>1</sup>N. Schuch, J.I. Cirac, D. Pérez-García, Annals of Physics (2010), arXiv:1001.3807.  
All diagrams of this exercise come from this paper.

**Theorem 4.1** (Intersection property)

*Proof.* To prove  $\text{rhs} \subseteq \text{lhs}$  we choose

$$M = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline X \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad N = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline X \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

In the opposite direction, we obtain a relationship between  $M$  and  $N$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline N \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline M \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array},$$

which we plug back into  $|\psi\rangle$  to obtain  $|\psi\rangle \in \text{rhs}$ . Hence  $\text{lhs} \subseteq \text{rhs} \subseteq \text{lhs} \Leftrightarrow \text{lhs} = \text{rhs}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2** (Closure property)

*Proof.* The fact that  $\text{rhs} \subseteq \text{lhs}$  is verified immediately by taking  $M = N = \mathbb{1}$ . Conversely,

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline M \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline M \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline B \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline N \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline A^{-1} \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{|c|} \hline N \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array},$$

shows that  $\text{lhs} \subseteq \text{rhs}$ . Putting these inclusions together, we obtain  $\text{lhs} = \text{rhs}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3** (Parent Hamiltonian)

*Proof.* Take  $B^\alpha = A^{i+1} \dots A^{L-1}$ , with the index  $\alpha = (i+1, \dots, L-1)$ ,

$$\mathcal{S}_{L-1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^d = \left\{ \sum_{i_1, \alpha, i_L} \text{tr}(A^{i_1} B^\alpha M^{i_L}) |i_1, \alpha, i_L\rangle \left| M \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{L}(\mathbb{C}^{D \times D}) \right. \right\}$$

and similarly for  $\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathcal{S}_{L-1}$ . Then, applying the intersection property,  $\mathcal{S}_L = (\mathcal{S}_{L-1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^d) \cap (\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathcal{S}_{L-1})$ . By repeatedly we span the whole space  $\mathcal{S}_L$ .

$$\mathcal{S}_L = \left( \mathcal{S}_2 \otimes (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes (L-2)} \right) \cap \dots \cap \left( (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes (L-2)} \otimes \mathcal{S}_2 \right) = \bigcap_{k=1}^{L-1} (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes (k-1)} \otimes \mathcal{S}_2 \otimes (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes (L-k-1)}$$

Since  $\mathcal{S}_2$  corresponds to the ground space of every  $h_{i,i+1}$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_L$  corresponds to the ground space of  $H' = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} h_{i,i+1}$  (notice the open boundary conditions). We now use. Now consider the ground spaces of the two operators  $H_{\text{left}} = h_{1,2} + \frac{1}{2}h_{2,3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2}h_{L-1,L}$  and  $H_{\text{right}} = \frac{1}{2}h_{2,3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2}h_{L-1,L} + h_{L,1}$ . The ground space of each of these operators is the lhs of Theorem 4.2, from which we conclude that the ground space of  $H_{\text{left}} + H_{\text{right}} = H$  is  $\text{span}\{|\Psi\rangle\}$ .  $\square$