

Information Lattice picture for the Fisher-Information indicators

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1. Introduction

Here is a rough tl;dr about what this document is about. As can be read in [1] Arnau et. al. had developed a possible interesting way to use the fisher information as a tool to characterise the scrambling-purifying transitions especially in the context of monitored quantum circuits. The very rough idea of how that works is as follows;

It is well known that both product states and maximally entangled states has exponentially decaying correlations. The construction of Arnau et. al. specifically exploits this fact that, the for any such exponentially decaying correlated state, under finite-size scaling the fisher information of well chosen operators stays finite, the hope here is, normally around a critical state, we have scale invariance and hence algebraically correlated states, and hence the fisher information of well chosen operators should diverge under finite-size scaling. This is kind of smart in a sense, especially in context of monitored quantum circuits, where the transition is otherwise hard to characterise. But the catch here is for this to work, one needs to ensure that we are probing correlations that are not exponentially decaying.

NOTE 1 (Questions:). 1. *Is this way of probing things post-selection free?*
 2. *How to choose the operators?*
 3. *Can we actually show that the maximal divergence of fisher information is achieved exactly at the critical point, that is for a conformal state?*

Anyhow, with some further applications of this measure in context of monitored random circuits the method ran into a problem, and the resolution seemed to be that a Random unitary brickwall always generated maximally entangled states, and although local projections disentangles the qubits, on which the measurements were carried on, the rest of the system still remained maximally entangled, and hence the fisher information of any local operator always remained finite. This was kind of a bummer, and one possible way out seems like to use scramblers that generates algebraically correlated states perforated with local projections. The bet is that, in such a scenario, the fisher information of well chosen operators should diverge at the critical point, as it is specifically designed to do so.

On a systematic level, it is clear that the fisher information is designed to probe correlations of states, that falls exactly in the regime of *entanglement barrier*. And it seemed like the most natural choice to decode the physics behind this was to use the *information lattice* by Artiacco et. al. [2], which is specifically designed to probe the information content and entanglement structure of a quantum many-body state at various length scales.

Information lattice is one of the most elegant way to prove scale invariance and algebraic correlations of many-body states. The idea behind the document is to use the information lattice to find physical scramblers that generates algebraically correlated states. And then the bet is, the Fisher information of Arnau would be super efficient in picking up the criticality of the scrambling-purifying transition in these monitored quantum circuits.

Before moving on to the details, here is a few pointers, that I personally think are really interesting food for thought for the whole game of measurement induced phase transitions in general. Although, obviously the finite size scaling of entanglement entropy growth seems to show a criticality, very clearly this is not at the level of states, as absolutely no states are conformal at any point in the phase diagram. That raises a few questions, for example, is this actually even second order, and if it is, then what is the relevant unconstrained phase-space. This concerns are of course not new, as we know that this is also exactly why this kind of criticalities suffer from post-selection problems. It is also extremely related to the questions why constructing the replica theory for these systems needs a different normalisation (the

Born Rule factor) and also why the resultant Landau-Ginzburg theories [3] actually do not have the correct symmetries of the original problem ¹.

2. Information Lattice

Building on the works in [4] The *Information Lattice* as a concept to systematically analyze the information content and entanglement structure of a quantum many-body state was first introduced by Artiago et. al. in [2], and further developed as a tool for dynamics, characterisation of localisation, rate of information scrambling, criticality of the localisation-scrambling transition, and quench dynamics respectively in [2, 5–7]. Here for the sake of completeness, we quote the construction of information lattice and some properties possibly useful to us from the aforementioned works.

3. Insights from Information Lattice calculations

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