

Exploring Entanglement Transitions in the 4-Level Qudit Projective Transverse Field Ising Model

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- Quantum computers are powerful, but present physical challenges – decoherence, noise
- Large-scale implementations require quantum error correction
- Apply projective measurements as syndrome measurement to counteract error
- Transitions allow us to study competing behavior between projective measurements and long-range entanglement to determine feasible rate of measurement

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Hamiltonian H given as

$$H = -J(\sum_{\{i,j\}} Z_i Z_j + g \sum_i X_i)$$

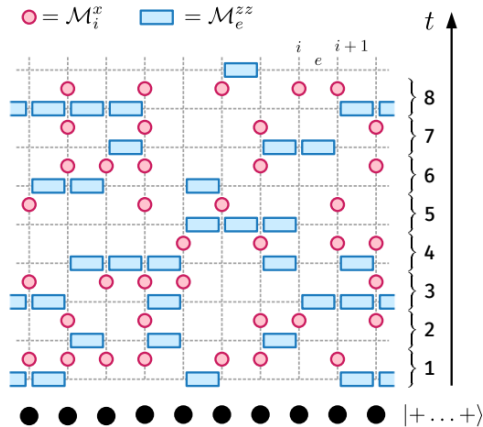
$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Nearest neighbor interactions described by alignment of Z spins
- Influence from external magnetic field in X direction
- Two phases: order and disorder

Substitute $Z_i Z_j \rightarrow \Pi_{i,j}^{ZZ}$, $X_i \rightarrow \Pi_i^X$;
random time evolution, for $0 \leq p \leq 1$

- Measure X on each site w.p. p
- Measure ZZ on neighboring sites w.p. $1 - p$
- Phase transitions in entanglement

(Assume periodic boundary conditions and 1D)



Lang and Büchler, *Physical Review B*,
2020

Two main measures of entanglement in a system $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$:

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Entanglement Entropy: Measure of quantum entanglement between complementary subsystems of a bipartite state

$$S(\rho_A) = -\text{Tr}(\rho_A \log_2 \rho_A)$$

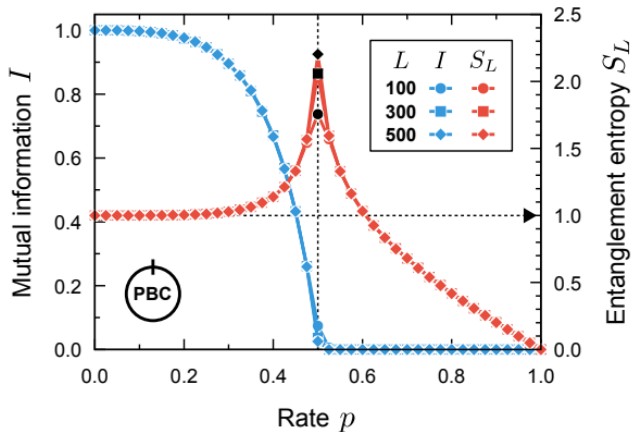
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Mutual Information: Measure of correlation between two subsystems of a quantum state

$$I(A; B) = S(\rho_A) + S(\rho_B) - S(\rho_{AB})$$

Let $A = s_1, B = s_{n/2}$.



- How can this model be generalized to higher (composite) dimensional qudits (namely \mathbb{Z}_4)?
- What entanglement-based phase transitions occur in higher-dimensional systems?

Define Pauli \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Z} for four-state qudits as follows:

$$\mathcal{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}$$

- $X \rightarrow \mathcal{X}, ZZ \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}\mathcal{Z}^\dagger$
- Introduce third competing measurement: $\mathcal{X}^2, \mathcal{Z}^2\mathcal{Z}^2$

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Need to simulate systems with $n \sim 100$ qudits

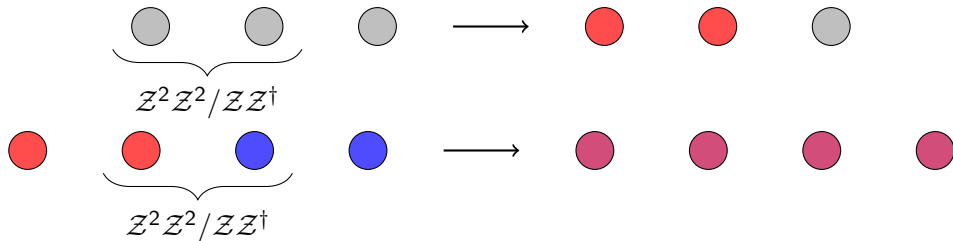
- Density matrix simulation – matrix dim scales as $2^n \times 2^n$
 - Complexity: $\mathcal{O}(\text{poly}(2^n))$
- Clifford simulation – need to perform Gaussian elimination on $n \times n$ matrix.
 - Complexity: $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$
- **Cluster model – update rule iterates over each site**
 - **Complexity:** $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Keep tracks of two different types of clusters:

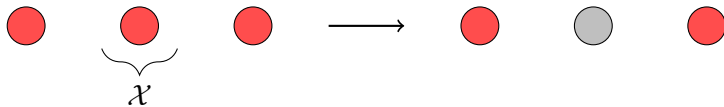
- ① \mathbb{Z}_2 clusters – Formed using either $\mathcal{Z}^2\mathcal{Z}^2$ or $\mathcal{Z}\mathcal{Z}^\dagger$ and can be destroyed with \mathcal{X} measurements.
- ② \mathbb{Z}_4 clusters – Can only be formed using $\mathcal{Z}\mathcal{Z}^\dagger$ and can be destroyed with either \mathcal{X} or \mathcal{X}^2 measurements.

Can represent state by storing two mappings (one for \mathbb{Z}_2 and \mathbb{Z}_4) from qudit sites to “colors” corresponding to which cluster each site is part of

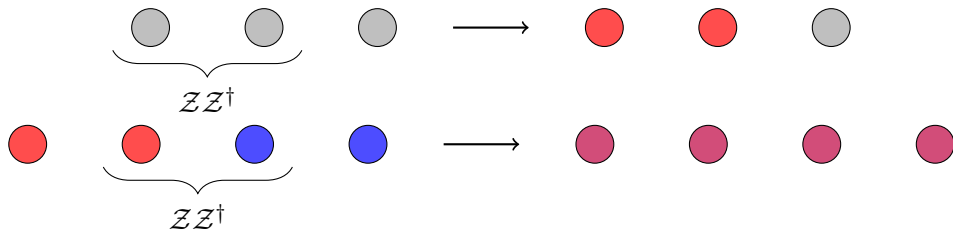
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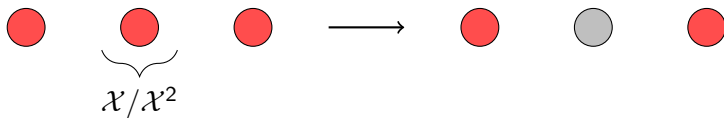
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Values must be sample-averaged over thousands of trajectories

- Entanglement Entropy $S(\{s_1, \dots, s_{n/2}\})$
 - ① Partition qudit chain into two halves
 - ② Count \mathbb{Z}_2 and \mathbb{Z}_4 clusters which cross the cut
- Mutual Information $I(s_1; s_{n/2})$
 - ① For each cluster type, check if the two qudits are in the same cluster
 - ② If they are in different clusters, do nothing to the mutual information.
 - ③ If there are no other qudits in the same cluster, add 2 to the total information, otherwise add 1.

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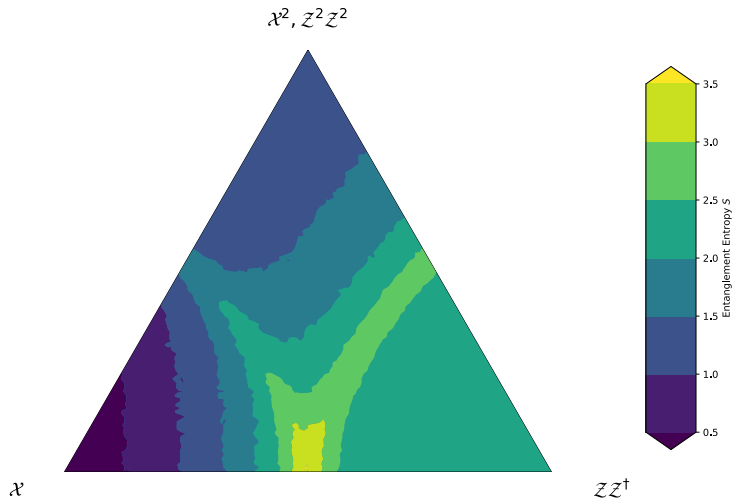
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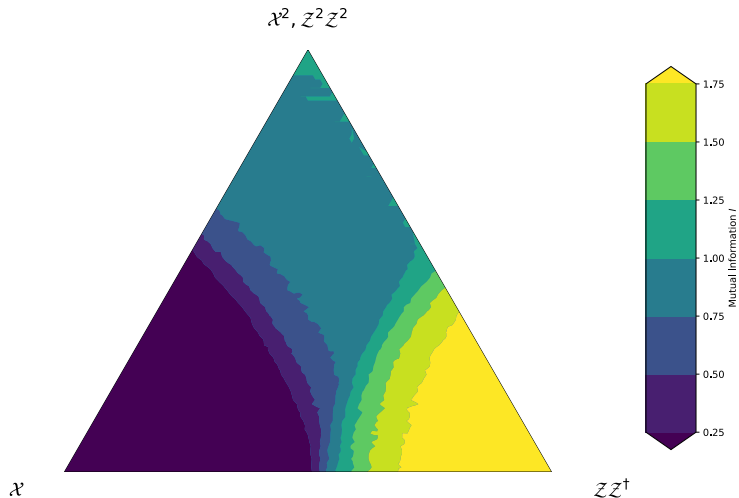
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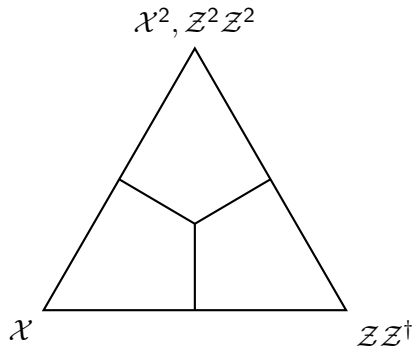
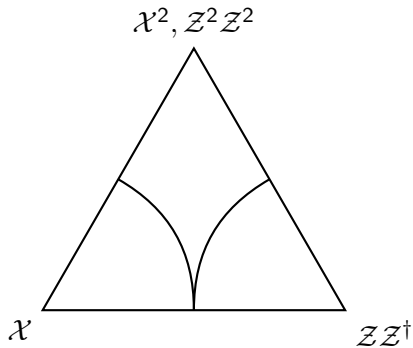
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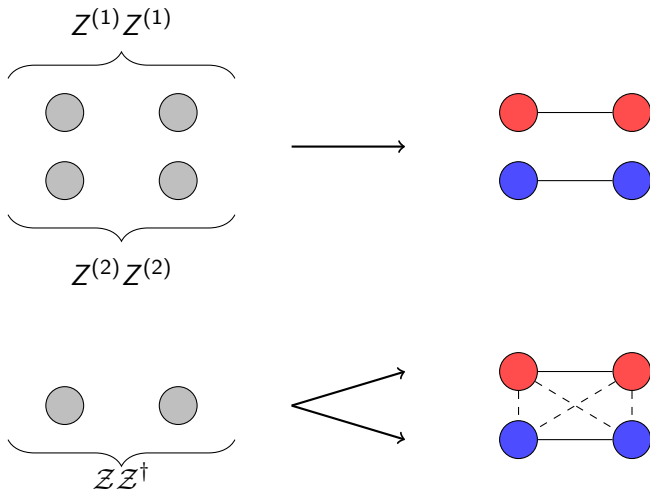
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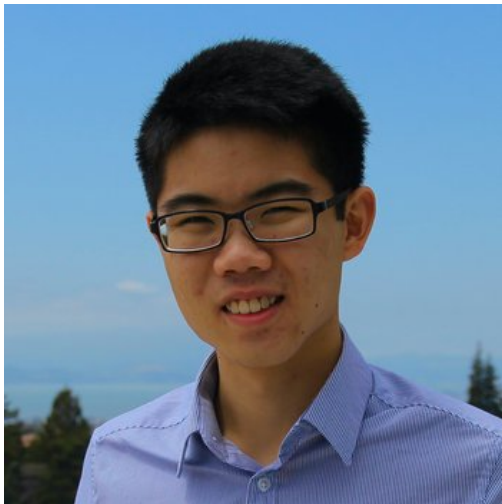
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Are these two models completely equivalent in terms of entanglement behavior?



Altogether, we conclude the following:

- \mathbb{Z}_4 has three phases
- \mathbb{Z}_4 has different symmetry from equivalent clock model
- \mathbb{Z}_4 and $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ have equivalent entanglement transitions
- \mathbb{Z}_4 and $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ differ in interlayer entropy

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