

# Qutip-lattice: A python package for topology, measurement, and dynamics problems defined on lattice

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Lattice models are of fundamental interest in physics. From gauge theories defined on lattices to tight-binding models embodying effective theories, the reach and manifestation of lattice models are all-pervasive. QuTiP is an open source python software package especially for simulating open system dynamics problems in quantum optics [1]. The versatilities of the capabilities of QuTiP with open system dynamics are amenable to integration with widely used lattice models with legacies of their own. The single particle physics, while numerically less demanding suffice for the explanation of a vast treasure trove of physics encompassing problems of topological phases of matter, excitation spectra and transport properties. Many particle models, on the other hand, are numerically burdensome and require clever techniques of symmetry transformations for making computations feasible. Qutip-lattice package offers the famous many-particle physics Hubbard models implementations in bases of symmetry with manageable computational load. A few fermionic and bosonic models and interesting transformation properties are included. Some well known transformations useful for diagonalization calculations, the calculation of the ground state and excitation spectra are offered. Some Non-Hermitian Hamiltonian(NHH) models which are driving new avenues of research can also be

investigated. Many-body physics of atoms and light [2] and models embodying gain and loss mechanism [3] are of special interest.

Notable among existing open source packages for lattice dynamics problems is QuSpin [4, 5], which is exact diagonalization based. qutip-lattice offers some of the functionalities covered in QuSpin and more on topology and non-Hermitian models. The ALPS project is a distant fore-runner for strongly correlated physics [6], with support for modern approximate methods of Matrix Product States(MPS) and Density Matrix Renormalization Group (DMRG)[7]. Among python based DMRG softwares for lattice models Quimb is noteworthy [8].

## II. THEORY OF BASIS SYMMETRIZATION

Symmetries are our silver bullet for demystifying the maze of natural laws. Symmetries dictate the conservation laws, creates the degeneracies, define the structure of matter and interactions. Symmetry can disintegrate evolution of matter and energy into disjoint fundamental subprocesses making their computation not only easier but also possible. Choice of the computational basis  $|c_i\rangle$  helps enumerate a tractable basis for the problem as well as help codify the Hamiltonian into a matrix form  $\langle c_i|\hat{H}|c_j\rangle$  in the spirit of Heisenberg's matrix formulation of quantum mechanics.

The symmetrized basis according to translational symmetry group, TG stands,[9]

$$|\tilde{c}\rangle = \frac{1}{N(c,k)} \sum_{t \in TG} \chi(t)^k |(t)c\rangle, \quad (1)$$

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where  $\chi$  is the character of the symmetry transformation,  $N$  is the normalization constant,  $k$  is the wave-vector.

projection of the original Hilbert space onto an invariant subspace that corresponds to a particular irreducible representations of the symmetry group of the system  $G$ .

From the famous result from binomial theorem,

$$\binom{L}{0} + \binom{L}{1} + \binom{L}{2} + \dots + \binom{L}{L-1} + \binom{L}{L} = 2^L \quad (2)$$

Since,  $\binom{L}{0} = \binom{L}{L} = 1$ ,

$$2 + \sum_{n=1}^{L-1} \binom{L}{n} = 2^L \quad (3)$$

The cue to the trick of compartmentalization or decomposition can be found in the eq. 3. In fact, for  $spin - \frac{1}{2}$  chains, eq. 2 is applicable most conspicuously, as we shall be reminded later in this section. Decompositions like this is facilitated by the powerful concept of equivalence classes.

Periodic boundary conditions also facilitate some classification into equivalence classes that is reminiscent of Fermat's little theorem, as was noted in [10].

$$2 + qN = 2^L \quad (4)$$

In the context of  $spin - \frac{1}{2}$  chains, the 2 in eqs. 3 and 4 are both accounting for all spin-up ( $|++\dots++\rangle$ ) or spin-down ( $|--\dots--\rangle$ ) configurations. These two spin configurations are the equivalence classes themselves. All other configurations are amenable to decompositions.

### III. A PRIMER ON TRANSLATIONAL SYMMETRY

The periodic repetition of the unit cell in lattice models with periodic boundary condition make translational symmetry a powerful tool in lattice dynamics for problems preserving translational symmetry.

For the prototypical XXZ model [11],

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} [\hat{\sigma}_l^x \hat{\sigma}_{l+1}^x + \hat{\sigma}_l^y \hat{\sigma}_{l+1}^y + \Delta \hat{\sigma}_l^z \hat{\sigma}_{l+1}^z] \quad (5)$$

$$= -J \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \left[ \hat{\sigma}_l^+ \hat{\sigma}_{l+1}^- + \hat{\sigma}_l^- \hat{\sigma}_{l+1}^+ + \frac{\Delta}{2} \hat{\sigma}_l^z \hat{\sigma}_{l+1}^z \right] \quad (6)$$

A complete basis is facilitated by the spin tensor basis  $|\vec{S}_0 \otimes \vec{S}_1 \otimes \vec{S}_2 \otimes \dots \vec{S}_{L-1}\rangle$  [12]. The spins are all 'good quantum numbers' i.e. can be used to label the complete set of eigenstates. Spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  systems are most commonly represented in the  $S^z$  computational basis [9].

$$|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow |1101\rangle \quad (7)$$

In the  $S_z$ -basis, the basis vectors are the tensor product of the  $S_z$ -components of the  $L$  spins [12],

$$|u_i\rangle = |S_1 S_2 S_3 \dots S_{L-1} S_L\rangle$$

The translation operator  $\hat{T}$  shifts the spins by mapping  $|u_i\rangle$  to a different  $|u_j\rangle$  with the spins shifted by one (notation of [13]).

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T}|u_i\rangle &= \hat{T}|S_1 S_2 S_3 \dots S_{L-1} S_L\rangle \\ &= |S_L S_1 S_2 S_3 \dots S_{L-1}\rangle = |u_j\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

We use two definitions from [9]. Definition 1. Two vectors  $|u_i\rangle$  and  $|u_j\rangle$  are translationally related if  $\hat{T}^n|u_i\rangle = |u_j\rangle$  for some integer  $n \leq N$ .

Definition 2. A set of  $m$  translationally related vectors  $\{|u_1\rangle, |u_2\rangle, \dots, |u_m\rangle\}$  such that for any member  $|u_k\rangle$ , the relationship  $\hat{T}^m|u_k\rangle = |u_k\rangle$  holds is called a cycle of period  $m$ .

Since,  $\hat{T}^n|u_i\rangle = |u_j\rangle$  is an equivalence relation, and as such it can induce a complete decomposition of the basis into disjoint subsets or equivalence classes. A 'cycle' is defined to be the linear span of such an equivalence class of basis vectors. A cycle with a period of  $N$  is called a 'proper cycle', and smaller period cycle are called 'epicycles' in the notation of [13].

If  $|\psi_r\rangle$  is one of the  $m$  (the period) primary basis states of a cycle (in `utip.lattice()` the lowest binary number is picked as the representative), it can be chosen as the representative of the cycle,

$$|\psi_r\rangle = |m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_x, \dots, m_N\rangle \quad (9)$$

The rest of the cycles in the equivalence class can be enumerated as,

$$|\psi_n\rangle = \hat{T}^n|\psi_r\rangle, \quad n = 1, \dots, m \quad (10)$$

The cycle is spanned by

$$|\chi_k\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{m}}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \omega_k^{-l} \hat{T}^l |\psi_r\rangle \quad (11)$$

which is an eigenstate of  $\hat{T}$  with quasi-momentum (called 'magnon momentum' in spin problems)  $\frac{2\pi k}{N}$ .

Ref. [12] reminds us of the decomposition relations talked about in eqs 3 and 4. with the formal result,

$$\sum (\text{dimension} \times \text{number of cycles}) = 2^L \quad (12)$$

For  $m$  prime and  $L=m$ , with  $X(m)$  being the number of dimension  $m$  cycle,

$$1 \times 2 + m \times X(m) = 2^m \quad (13)$$

#### A. Excitation/Number Symmetry

Since, the number operator commutes with both  $\mathcal{H}$ , the equivalence class/ orthogonal subgroup direct product of the Hilbert space can be done into subgroups of fixed excitation numbers as well.

$$H = H_{N=0} \oplus H_{N=1} \oplus \dots \oplus H_{N=n} \oplus \dots \oplus H_{N=L-1} \quad (14)$$

For a lattice of spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ s, the Hilbert space dimension of  $H_N$  is easy to compute,  $\binom{N}{n}$ . Formulae for more general lattices (other spins and space dependent spins) can be found in [13].

On top of that, since, the number operator commutes with both  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\hat{T}$ , the direct product decomposition can also be with the combined symmetries,

$$H_{N=N} = H_{N,k=0} \oplus H_{N,k=1} \oplus H_{N,k=2} \oplus \dots \oplus H_{N,k=L} \quad (15)$$

The Hilbert space of  $H$  is the direct sum of all the eigenspace of  $H_{N,k}$ . Naming the representative basis state  $|n\rangle$ , the action of the shift operator,  $\hat{T}$  can be written as,

$$\hat{T}|n\rangle = |T(n)\rangle, \quad (16)$$

where the function  $T(n)$  shifts binary bits by a unit distance. Since  $\hat{T}^L = 1$ ,  $\hat{T}$  has the eigenvalue,

$$\omega_k = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{L}\right), \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, L-1) \quad (17)$$

Since, the Hamiltonian is invariant under spin translations i.e.  $[\mathcal{H}, \hat{T}] = 0$ , it can be block-diagonalized in the simultaneous eigenstates of  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\hat{T}$ . The simultaneous eigenstate of  $\hat{N}$  and  $\hat{T}$  with eigenvalue  $N$  and  $\omega_k$  respectively are,

$$|\bar{n}, k\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{p(\bar{n})}}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \omega_k^{-l} \hat{T}^l |\bar{n}\rangle \quad (18)$$

with

$$kp(\bar{n}) = \text{integer} \times L \quad (19)$$

This condition can alternately be constructed as,

$$\sum_{l=1}^N e^{ikl/L} \neq 0 \quad (20)$$

i.e. sum of the phase acquired as the basis representative vector as it is translated one site at a time must not sum to zero. If it is zero, then it is not a cycle and in fact does not have a period.

#### IV. CANONICAL TRANSFORMATIONS

A mixture of analytic/semi-analytic transformations are available for diagonalization of lattice Hamiltonians[14].

#### V. DYNAMICS PROBLEMS ON QUTIP

QuTiP's functionality include Schrödinger evolution, Markovian open system master equation dynamics, Bloch-Redfield equation, non-Markovian hierarchical equation of motion[15] etc.

#### A. Closed system/unitary evolution

Dynamics in quantum mechanics is deterministic. A specification of the Hamiltonian and the initial state completely specifies the evolution of a closed system. In QuTiP, the coherent evolution is completely specified by the Hamiltonians (possibly with time dependence). The explicit time dependence can be conveniently input through time dependent coefficients of the Hamiltonian terms.

$$H(t) = \sum_i c_i(t) H_i(t) \quad (21)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi(t)\rangle = H(t) |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

QuTiP has the functionality to calculate the evolution of the state as well as any observable desired with the `mesolve()` function.

#### VI. OPEN SYSTEM/NON-UNITARY EVOLUTION

Quantum systems we study are not isolated completely from the rest of the universe. The usual approach of resolving the universe into 'system and environment' enables a focused view on the dynamics of system where environment has a dissipative influence. The two most useful dynamics calculation QuTiP offers is the Lindblad master equation approach and Monte Carlo simulation of quantum trajectories.

#### A. Deterministic master equation

One of QuTiP's most useful function, `qutip.mesolve()` solves the evolution of the system density matrix,  $\rho$  under the action of the superoperator  $\mathcal{L}$  called the Liouvillian defined by the following 'master equation'.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(t) = \mathcal{L} \rho(t) \quad (22)$$

The Liouvillian is split into a coherent dynamics part dictated by the system Hamiltonian  $H$  and an incoherent dynamics part dictated by a set of collapse/jump operators both of which can be time-dependent. A plethora of physical processes can be simulated with the formalism including coherent evolution, pump/drive and loss. Non-markovian physics can also be probed with time dependence in the collapse operators. For the fundamentally and quantum computing application wise important example of the evolution of multiple ( $N$ ) qubits, we can enumerate the relevant terms embodying coherent evolution, pure dephasing, decoherence and pumping in the Born Markov Secular (BMS) approximation.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(t) = & -i[H(t), \rho] + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \gamma_j \mathcal{D}[\sigma_j^-] \rho(t) \\ & + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \frac{\gamma_j^D}{2} \mathcal{D}[\sigma_j^z] \rho(t) + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} 2\Gamma \mathcal{D}[\sigma_j^+] \rho(t), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

with  $\gamma_j$  the relaxation rate of qubit  $j$ ,  $\gamma_j^D$  pure dephasing and  $\Gamma$  a pump rate.  $H(t)$  is responsible for the coherent part of the evolution.  $D[X]\rho = X\rho X^\dagger - \frac{1}{2}X^\dagger X\rho - \frac{1}{2}\rho X^\dagger X$  is a Lindblad dissipator for a jump/collapse operator  $X$ . The decay constants of the collapse operators are modified according to the nature of the bath (vacuum, thermal or squeezed among the common types). Mathematically, Liouvillian superoperator is a Completely Positive Trace Preserving (CPTP) map [16]. A general quantum map can be written as a sum of Kraus operators ( $\rho(t+dt) = \sum_\nu K_\nu \rho K_\nu^\dagger$ ) and the CPTP requirement restricts them to the preconditioned form below,

$$\begin{aligned} K_0 = 1 - iHdt - \sum_\mu \frac{\gamma_\mu}{2} J_\mu^\dagger J_\mu dt &= 1 - iH_{\text{eff}}dt \\ H_{\text{eff}} = H(t) - i \sum_\mu \frac{\gamma_\mu}{2} J_\mu^\dagger J_\mu & \quad (24) \\ K_\nu = \sqrt{\gamma_\nu dt} J_\nu & \end{aligned}$$

## B. Monte-Carlo quantum trajectories

Each Kraus operator correspond to a possible outcome of the measurement process, whose backaction on the system is codified by the Kraus operator. Whenever any  $\nu \neq 0$  outcome is obtained (a “click” in the detector device) at time  $t$ , and the system undergoes a quantum jump/collapse according to  $K_\nu$ . In the absence of all  $\nu \neq 0$ , the system evolves according to  $K_0$ . What is striking about  $K_0$  is that it entails an evolution under the Non Hermitian Hamiltonian (NHH),  $H_{\text{eff}}$  (in eq. 83).

For an observable  $X$ , measurement outcomes may be distributed around the average in a normal distribution. Ito calculus takes  $\Delta W$  to be a zero-mean (stochastic mean, average over many measurement outcomes), Gaussian random variable with variance  $\Delta t$  [17],

$$\begin{aligned} dy &= \langle X \rangle dt + \frac{dW}{(8k)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ \Delta t \rightarrow 0, (\Delta W)^2 &\rightarrow (dW)^2 = dt \end{aligned}$$

### 1. Stochastic Schrödinger Equation (SSE)

In quantum measurement theory, given the measurement result  $dy$ , the evolution of the quantum state of a

system in a time interval  $dt$  obeys the stochastic differential equation,

$$d|\psi\rangle = \left\{ -k(X - \langle X \rangle)^2 dt + (2k)^{\frac{1}{2}}(X - \langle X \rangle) dW \right\} |\psi(t)\rangle \quad (25)$$

Eq. 25 is referred to as Stochastic Schrödinger Equation (SSE). QuTiP’s `qutip.stochastic.ssesolve()` function facilitates solving SSEs.

### 2. Stochastic Master Equation (SME)

Eq. 25 is a stochastic differential equation for the quantum state. An equivalent equation for the density matrix conditioned upon a stream of measurement outcome is also defined.

$$d\rho = -k[X[X, \rho]]dt + \sqrt{2k}(X\rho + \rho X - 2\langle X \rangle \rho)dW \quad (26)$$

QuTiP’s `qutip.stochastic.smesolve()` function facilitates solving SMEs.

### 3. Unravelling the master equation

The function `qutip.mesolve()` calculates dynamics as an ensemble average approach, averaging dynamics over many identically prepared system average. It can be thought of as the system evolving under continuous measurement where all baths(decay channels) are monitored continually and evolution is ceaselessly dictated by the simultaneous actions of all  $K_\nu$  terms but  $K_0$ , so system evolution is always normalized. Now, there are several kinds of measurements that observe the intensity or the phase quadratures of a bosonic mode, for example. So, for specific decay channel(s) where “click”s are registering stochastically, single trajectories may take different form, each Monte Carlo trajectory observed as discrete jumps separated by decaying evolutions in between. For a particular method of measurement (photocurrent/homodyne/heterodyne), `qutip.mcsolve()` evolves an initial state under the specified NHH  $H_{\text{eff}}$  (in eq. 83) and keep track of the norm of the unnormalized wavefunction. Whenever a random number sampled from a uniform distribution greater than the evolving norm, a quantum jump is applied and state is renormalized (norm is restored to 1),

$$|\psi(t + \delta t)\rangle = \frac{\Gamma_n |\psi(t + \delta t)\rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \psi(t) | \Gamma_n^\dagger \Gamma_n | \psi(t) \rangle}}$$

Since the density matrix is evolved in accordance with measurement records, the evolution is also referred to as measurement induced post selected evolution.

Sufficient number of trial runs, elucidates a mean path of the system in the single excitation subspace with measures of statistical fluctuations/deviations. For a detailed

review, see [18–22]. For further information on the algorithms and simulations, see [23]. While bosonic modes are most widely studied both theoretically and experimentally with ever improving homodyne and heterodyne techniques, proposals have been made for quantum trajectory simulation of fermions as well[24] (non-interacting fermions).

## VII. SINGLE PARTICLE PHYSICS

Single particle models confine its scope to single excitation manifold alone. A number of experiments are explainable with single particle models only. The dispersion relation, quantum transport models, certain topological phases of matter are accurately described by single particle physics models. `Lattice1d()` class in `qutip.lattice` facilitates defining and simulating single particle physics problems.

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_n(k)\rangle &= |k\rangle \otimes |u_n(k)\rangle \\ |u_n(k)\rangle &= a_n(k)|a\rangle + b_n(k)|b\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

The vectors  $|u_{nk}(r)\rangle \in H_{\text{internal}}$  are the eigenstates of the bulk momentum space Hamiltonian  $H(k)$  defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k|H_{\text{bulk}}|k\rangle &= \sum_{\alpha,\beta \in A,B} \langle k,\alpha|H_{\text{bulk}}|k,\beta\rangle |\alpha\rangle \langle \beta| \\ H(k)|u_n(k)\rangle &= E(k)|u_n(k)\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

In a lattice with  $N$  unitcells, since  $|\psi_n(k)\rangle$  is required to be periodic over  $N$  cells, it needs to be invariant with a translation by  $N$  cells, and the valid/good quantum number for  $k$  are  $0, 1, 2, \dots, \frac{2\pi}{N}$ .

```
1 from qutip import *
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import numpy as np
```

Listing 1. Python example

### A. Lattice1d examples: SSH model: dispersion, winding number, edge modes

SSH model is a paradigmatic model in topological quantum theory [25]. Hence,  $H_{TB}$  can be succinctly put in the form:

$$H_{\text{per/aper}} = \sum_i \psi_i^\dagger D \psi_i + \sum_i \left( \psi_i^\dagger T \psi_{i+1} + \psi_{i+1}^\dagger T^\dagger \psi_i \right) \quad (29)$$

where  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -t_{\text{intra}} \\ -t_{\text{intra}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -t_{\text{inter}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . The  $\psi_i = \begin{bmatrix} c_i^0 \\ c_i^1 \end{bmatrix}$  is associated with  $\vec{R} = \vec{R}_i$  and  $\psi_{i+1}$  is associated with  $\vec{R} = \vec{R}_i + \hat{x}$ , with  $\hat{x}$  being the unit vector along the  $x$  direction.

The equation above can be put into the alternate form (also changing the summation variables to  $m, n$  to distinguish them from the imaginary  $i$ ):

$$H_{\text{per/aper}} = \sum_{m,n} \psi_m^\dagger (D\delta_{m,n} + T\delta_{m,n-1} + T^\dagger\delta_{m,n+1}) \quad (30)$$

Due to the chiral symmetry, the bulk momentum space Hamiltonian,  $H(k)$  can be written in terms of  $\sigma_x$  and  $\sigma_y$  components alone.

$$H(k) = h_x(k)\sigma_x + h_y(k)\sigma_y \quad (31)$$

For this specific model, where  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{k})$  moves about in a 2d plane ( $h_x - h_y$ ), winding number is a topological invariant characterizing the topology of the model. It enumerates the number of times,  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{k})$  traverses around the origin in a positive sense as  $k$  is varied from  $0$  to  $2\pi$ . The method `winding_number()` evaluates the following integral to determine it as well as plots the trajectory of  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{k})$  in the  $h_x - h_y$  plane.

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk \frac{d}{dk} \text{Log}(h(k))$$

$$\text{,where} \quad h(k) = h_x(k) - ih_y(k) \quad (32)$$

```
1 t_intra = -0.5
2 t_inter = -0.5
3 H_cell[0,1] = t_intra
4 H_cell[1,0] = t_intra
5 T_inter_cell[1,0] = t_inter
6 H_cell = Qobj(H_cell)
7 T_inter_cell = Qobj(T_inter_cell)
8 H_cell = Qobj( np.array( [[ 0, t_intra ],[
9   t_intra, 0]]) )
10 T_inter_cell = Qobj( np.array( [[ 0, 0 ],[
11   t_inter, 0]]) )
```

Listing 2. Python example

```
1 boundary_condition = "periodic"
2 cells = 3
3 cell_sites = 2
4 site_dof = [1]
5 SSH_lattice = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells, boundary
6   = boundary_condition, cell_num_site =
7   cell_sites, cell_site_dof = site_dof,
8   Hamiltonian_of_cell = H_cell, inter_hop =
9   T_inter_cell )
```

Listing 3. Python example

```
1 t_intra = -0.5
2 t_inter = -0.65
3 cell_H = Qobj( np.array( [[ 0, t_intra ],[
4   t_intra, 0]] ) )
5 inter_cell_T = Qobj( np.array( [[ 0, 0 ],[
6   t_inter, 0]] ) )
7 apSSH_lattice_nTrI = Lattice1d(num_cell=100,
8   boundary = "aperiodic", cell_num_site = 2,
9   cell_site_dof = [1], Hamiltonian_of_cell =
10   cell_H, inter_hop = inter_cell_T )
```

Listing 4. Python example

```
1 pSSH_lattice_nTrI.plot_dispersion()
```

Listing 5. Python example

The midgap states do not appear in the Periodic Boundary Condition case.

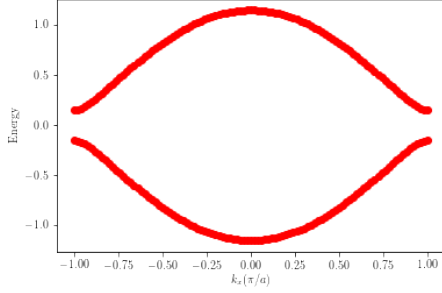


FIG. 1. Dispersion of SSH model.

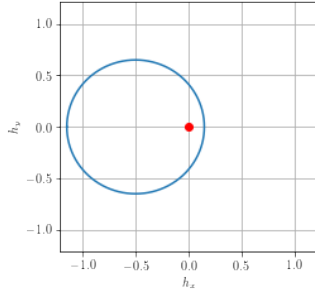


FIG. 2. Contour of  $h(k)$ .

```
1 In[1]: apSSH_lattice_nTrI.winding_number()
2 Out[1]: 1
```

Listing 6. Python example

```
1 apSSH_H_nt = apSSH_lattice_nTrI.Hamiltonian()
2 [n_D, Vx] = apSSH_H_nt.eigenstates()
```

Listing 7. Python example

```
1 plt.plot(n_D, 'ro')
2 plt.ylabel('eigen values')
3 plt.show()
4 plt.close()
```

Listing 8. Python example

Open Boundary Condition reveals the midgap edge states.

## VIII. MANY PARTICLE PHYSICS MODELS

### A. Normal Ordering

We follow the notation from [26]. Fermionic wavefunctions are written out in the basis with a fixed number of particles,  $N = N_\uparrow + N_\downarrow$ .

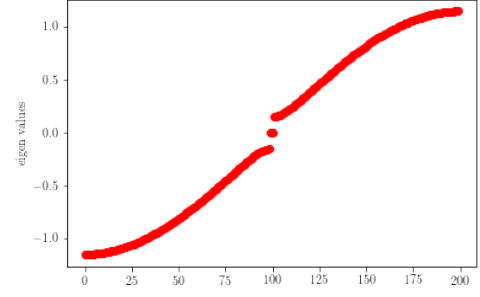


FIG. 3. Eigenvalues of the SSH lattice Hamiltonian.

$$|\Psi_F\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} w_F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_{\mathbf{F}} \quad (33)$$

Here,  $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{N_\uparrow})$  and  $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N_\downarrow})$  indicate the sites occupied respectively by the spin-up and spin-down ( $spin = \frac{1}{2}$ ) fermions and  $x_i \neq x_j, y_i \neq y_j \forall i, j$ . Basis states are normal ordered. The definition is,

$$|x, y\rangle_F = f_{x_1, \uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2, \uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{N_\uparrow}, \uparrow}^\dagger f_{y_1, \downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2, \downarrow}^\dagger \dots f_{y_{N_\downarrow}, \downarrow}^\dagger |vac\rangle \quad (34)$$

(35)

So, the down-spin creation operators act first in the order of decreasing positional index, then the up-spin creation operators in the same style.

The off-diagonal elements arising from the Hamiltonian nearest neighbour hopping term  $(-t)f_{x_a, \uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1}, \uparrow}$  is nonzero only between,

$${}_F\langle x^f, y^f | = \langle vac | f_{y_{N_\downarrow}, \downarrow} \dots f_{y_2, \downarrow} f_{y_1, \downarrow} f_{x_{N_\uparrow}, \uparrow} \dots f_{x_a, \uparrow} \dots f_{x_2, \uparrow} f_{x_1, \uparrow}$$

and

$$|x, y\rangle_F = f_{x_1, \uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2, \uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{a+1}, \uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{N_\uparrow}, \uparrow}^\dagger f_{y_1, \downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2, \downarrow}^\dagger \dots f_{y_{N_\downarrow}, \downarrow}^\dagger |vac\rangle$$

i.e. they would have all the same spin occupied positions except for  $x_a$  and  $x_{a+1}$ . Only  $\langle x^f, y^f |$  will have  $x_a$  and only  $|x, y\rangle$  will have  $x_{a+1}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle vac | f_{y_{N\downarrow},\downarrow}^f \dots f_{y_2,\downarrow}^f f_{y_1,\downarrow}^f f_{x_{N\uparrow},\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_2,\uparrow}^f f_{x_1,\uparrow}^f \\
& \quad (-t) f_{x_a,\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger \\
& \quad f_{x_1,\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2,\uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{N\uparrow}}^\dagger f_{y_1,\downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2,\downarrow}^\dagger \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{y_{N\downarrow}}^\dagger | vac \rangle \\
& = (-1)^a \langle vac | f_{y_{N\downarrow},\downarrow}^f \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{y_2,\downarrow}^f f_{y_1,\downarrow}^f f_{x_{N\uparrow},\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_2,\uparrow}^f f_{x_1,\uparrow}^f \\
& \quad (-t) f_{x_a,\uparrow}^\dagger \\
& \quad f_{x_1,\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2,\uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{N\uparrow}}^\dagger f_{y_1,\downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2,\downarrow}^\dagger \dots f_{y_{N\downarrow}}^\dagger | vac \rangle \\
& = (-1)^a \langle vac | f_{y_{N\downarrow},\downarrow}^f \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{y_2,\downarrow}^f f_{y_1,\downarrow}^f f_{x_{N\uparrow},\uparrow}^f \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_2,\uparrow}^f f_{x_1,\uparrow}^f \\
& \quad (-t) f_{x_a,\uparrow}^\dagger \quad f_{x_1,\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2,\uparrow}^\dagger \dots \left(1 - f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}\right) \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{x_{N\uparrow}}^\dagger f_{y_1,\downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2,\downarrow}^\dagger \dots f_{y_{N\downarrow}}^\dagger | vac \rangle \\
& = (-1)^{2a} \langle vac | f_{y_{N\downarrow},\downarrow}^f \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{y_2,\downarrow}^f f_{y_1,\downarrow}^f f_{x_{N\uparrow},\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^f \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{x_2,\uparrow}^f f_{x_1,\uparrow}^f \quad (-t) \quad f_{x_1,\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2,\uparrow}^\dagger \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^\dagger \left(1 - f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}\right) \dots f_{x_{N\uparrow}}^\dagger f_{y_1,\downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2,\downarrow}^\dagger \dots f_{y_{N\downarrow}}^\dagger | vac \rangle \\
& = \langle vac | f_{y_{N\downarrow},\downarrow}^f \dots f_{y_2,\downarrow}^f f_{y_1,\downarrow}^f f_{x_{N\uparrow},\uparrow}^f \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^f \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{x_2,\uparrow}^f f_{x_1,\uparrow}^f \quad (-t) \quad f_{x_1,\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_2,\uparrow}^\dagger \dots \\
& \quad \dots f_{x_a,\uparrow}^\dagger \dots f_{x_{N\uparrow}}^\dagger f_{y_1,\downarrow}^\dagger f_{y_2,\downarrow}^\dagger \dots f_{y_{N\downarrow}}^\dagger | vac \rangle = (-t)
\end{aligned}$$

In deriving the above,  $f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow} = \{f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}, f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger\} - f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}^\dagger f_{x_{a+1},\uparrow}$  was used.

## B. Models

### 1. Extended Fermi Hubbard model

$$\begin{aligned}
H = & \sum_{j,\sigma} (\epsilon - \mu) c_{j,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} + \sum_{\langle j,k \rangle, \sigma} t_{j,k} c_{j,\sigma}^\dagger c_{k,\sigma} \\
& + U \sum_j c_{j,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{j,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{j,\downarrow} c_{j,\uparrow} + V \sum_{\langle j,k \rangle, \sigma} c_{j,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{j,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k,\downarrow} c_{k,\uparrow} \quad (36)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $c_i$  is the fermionic annihilation operator,  $t_{j,k}$  is the nearest neighbour hopping.

```

1 num_sites = 4
2 fermiHubbardLattice1d = Lattice1d_fermi_Hubbard(
    num_sites=num_sites, boundary="periodic", t
    =1, U=1, V=2)
3 [Hamiltonian, basisReprUp, DownStatesPerRepr,
   normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLattice1d.
   Hamiltonian(fillingUp=2, fillingDown=2, kval
   =0)

```

Listing 9. Python example

### 2. Bose Hubbard model

$$\begin{aligned}
H = & \sum_j (\epsilon - \mu) b_j^\dagger b_j + \sum_{\langle j,k \rangle} t_{j,k} b_j^\dagger b_k \\
& + U \sum_j \left( b_j^\dagger b_j b_j^\dagger b_j - b_j^\dagger b_j \right) \quad (37)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $b_i$  is the bosonic annihilation operator,  $t_{j,k}$  is the nearest neighbour hopping.

```

1 num_sites = 4
2 Nmax=3
3 boseHubbardLattice1d = Lattice1d_bose_Hubbard(
    num_sites=num_sites, boundary="periodic", t
    =1, U=1)
4 [Hamiltonian, bosonbasis] = boseHubbardLattice1d
   .Hamiltonian(Nmax=Nmax, filling=2, kval=0)

```

Listing 10. Python example

### 3. Two component Bose Hubbard model

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H} = & \hat{H}_0 + \frac{U}{2} \sum_j \hat{n}_j (\hat{n}_j - 1) \\
\hat{H}_0 = & \sum_{j \in \text{odd}} \left( t_1 \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_{j+1} + h.c. \right) + \sum_{j \in \text{even}} \left( t_2 \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_{j+1} + h.c. \right) \\
& + \sum_{j \in \text{odd}} \mu_A \hat{n}_j + \sum_{j \in \text{even}} \mu_B \hat{n}_j, \quad (38)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $a_i$  is the bosonic annihilation operator,  $t_{1(2)}$  is the nearest neighbour hopping.

```

1 num_sites = 4
2 bose2cHubbardLattice1d =
   Lattice1d_2c_hcb_Hubbard(num_sites=num_sites
   , boundary="periodic", t=1, Uab=1)
3 [Hamiltonian, basisReprUp, DownStatesPerRepr,
   normHubbardStates] = bose2cHubbardLattice1d.
   Hamiltonian(fillingUp=2, fillingDown=2, kval
   =0)

```

Listing 11. Python example

#### 4. Hardcore bosons in one dimension

$$H = \sum_j \epsilon b_j^\dagger b_j + \sum_{\langle j,k \rangle} t_{j,k} b_j^\dagger b_k \quad (39)$$

where  $b_i$  is the bosonic annihilation operator,  $t_{j,k}$  is the nearest neighbour hopping.

```
1 num_sites = 8
2 hc_bosons_LatticeId = LatticeId_hardcorebosons(
    num_sites=num_sites, boundary="periodic", t=1)
3 [Hamiltonian, StatesPerRepr] = bosons_LatticeId.
    Hamiltonian(filling=2, kval=0)
```

Listing 12. Python example

#### 5. Spinless fermions in one dimension

$$H = \sum_j (\epsilon - \mu) c_j^\dagger c_j + \sum_{\langle j,k \rangle} t_{j,k} c_j^\dagger c_k \quad (40)$$

where  $c_i$  is the fermionic annihilation operator,  $t_{j,k}$  is the nearest neighbour hopping.

```
1 num_sites = 8
2 fermions_LatticeId = LatticeId_fermions(
    num_sites=num_sites, boundary="periodic", t=1)
3 [Hamiltonian, StatesPerRepr] =
    fermions_LatticeId.Hamiltonian(filling=2,
    kval=0)
```

Listing 13. Python example

#### 6. Basis symmetrization of Fermi-Hubbard model

An instance of the `LatticeId_fermi_Hubbard()` may be defined.

```
1 num_sites = 4
2 fermiHubbardLatticeId = LatticeId_fermi_Hubbard(
    num_sites=num_sites, boundary="periodic", t=1, U=1, V=2)
3 [Hamiltonian, basisReprUp, DownStatesPerRepr,
    normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLatticeId.
    Hamiltonian(fillingUp=2, fillingDown=2, kval=0)
```

Listing 14. Python example

```
1 In[1]: basisReprUp
2 Out[1]: array([[0., 0., 1., 1.],
3              [0., 1., 0., 1.]])
```

Listing 15. Python example

```
1 In[2]: DownStatesPerRepr
2 Out[2]: {0: array([[0., 0., 1., 1.],
3                  [0., 1., 0., 1.],
4                  [0., 1., 1., 0.],
5                  [1., 0., 0., 1.],
6                  [1., 0., 1., 0.],
7                  [1., 1., 0., 0.]])},
8 1: array([[0., 0., 1., 1.],
9          [0., 1., 0., 1.],
10         [0., 1., 1., 0.],
11         [1., 0., 1., 0.]])}
```

Listing 16. Python example

If we had obtained the Hamiltonian in the  $|N\rangle$  basis,

```
1 [Hamiltonian_N, basisStatesUp, basisStatesDown,
    normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLattice.
    Hamiltonian(fillingUp=2, fillingDown=2)
```

Listing 17. Python example

```
1 In[4]: basisStatesUp
2 Out[4]: array([[0., 0., 1., 1.],
3              [0., 1., 0., 1.],
4              [0., 1., 1., 0.],
5              [1., 0., 0., 1.],
6              [1., 0., 1., 0.],
7              [1., 1., 0., 0.]])
```

Listing 18. Python example

```
1 In[5]: basisStatesDown
2 Out[5]: array([[0., 0., 1., 1.],
3              [0., 1., 0., 1.],
4              [0., 1., 1., 0.],
5              [1., 0., 0., 1.],
6              [1., 0., 1., 0.],
7              [1., 1., 0., 0.]])
```

Listing 19. Python example

`basisStatesUp` and `basisStatesDown` gives the basis vectors in the cycle/ equivalence set with the specified number of excitations i.e. filling.

In `basisReprUp` of the  $|N, k\rangle$  basis we have only a subset of the basis vectors in `basisStatesUp` of  $|N\rangle$  basis. `qutip-lattice` chooses as the lowest binary value basis vector to be the representative of the vectors that are translationally related. The two vectors represented by the  $[0., 0., 1., 1.]$  and  $[0., 1., 0., 1.]$  are the two representative vectors of the two equivalence classes.

The basis in the  $|N, k\rangle$  basis is formed by a representative from `basisReprUp` and one basis state from `DownStatesPerRepr`'s corresponding entry. For example  $[0., 1., 0., 1.]$  from `basisReprUp` and  $[0., 1., 1., 0.]$  from corresponding `DownStatesPerRepr[1]` denotes the following state in the  $|N = 2, k\rangle = 0$  basis, (The positional indices are labelled 0 through 3.)

$$|\bar{n}, k\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{p(\bar{n})}}{L} \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \omega_k^{-l} \hat{T}^l c_{1,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{3,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2,\downarrow}^\dagger |vac\rangle \quad (41)$$

The equivalent equation of eq. 20 now factors in the fermion anticommutation sign contributions as well.



$$\sum_{l=1}^N \text{phase factor accrued in translation by } l \neq 0 \quad (42)$$

Only entries compatible with eq. 42 are taken in the construction of DownStatesPerRepr.

## IX. DEFINING OBSERVABLES

Symmetrized bases can reduce the computational burden, but finding the operators in them is not quite as straightforward. For, example calculation of the Hamiltonian in the symmetrized basis proceeds in three steps [9]. If  $\{|r\rangle\}$  is the set of representative basis vectors, 1) Finding configuration  $|n\rangle$  and corresponding amplitude  $h$ , so that  $H|r\rangle = h|n\rangle$ , 2) identifying a symmetry transformation  $g_n$  that maps  $|n\rangle$  to its representative  $|r'\rangle$ . 3) Calculating

$$\langle r'|H|r\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{N(r',k)}{N(r,k)}} \chi^k(g_n) h \quad (43)$$

qutip-lattice calculates the Hamiltonian for the user and provides the unitary matrices that relates the two basis. This unitary matrix can help form any operator in the new basis, if it is known in one basis with reasonable effort. For example,

```
1 [Hamiltonian, basisStatesUp, basisStatesDown,
   normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLattice.
   Hamiltonian( fillingUp=None, fillingDown=
   None, kval=None)
```

Listing 20. Hamiltonian written in the full basis

In order to calculate the ground state expectation values of the particle densities we find the ground state first.

```
1 ES = Hamiltonian.eigenstates(sparse=True, sort='
   low', eigvals=20, tol=0, maxiter=100000)
2 GS = Qobj(ES[1][0])
3 Mds = GS.dag() * GS
4 mods = np.sqrt( Mds[0,0])
5 GS = GS / mods
```

Listing 21. Finding the ground state

In the full basis, the density operator at site  $i$ ,  $n_i$  is easy to calculate and the function  $n_i$  provides that functionality.

```
1 niu = np.zeros((nSites), dtype=complex)
2 nid = np.zeros((nSites), dtype=complex)
3 for i in range(nSites):
4     ni_op = n_i(i, basisStatesUp,
   basisStatesDown)
5     riu = GS.dag() * ni_op[0] * GS
6     niu[i] = riu[0][0]
7     rid = GS.dag() * ni_op[1] * GS
8     nid[i] = rid[0][0]
```

Listing 22. Calculating densities in the full basis

The density may be plotted.

```
1 x = np.arange(nSites)
2 plt.rcParams["figure.figsize"] = [6, 3.50]
3 plt.rcParams["figure.autolayout"] = True
4 markerline, stemlines, baseline = plt.stem(x, np
   .real(niu), linefmt='grey', markerfmt='*',
   bottom=0)
5 markerline, stemlines, baseline = plt.stem(x, np
   .imag(niu), linefmt='grey', markerfmt='*',
   bottom=0)
6 markerline.set_markerfacecolor('red')
7 plt.show()
```

Listing 23. plotting the groundstate expectation value of the electron densities

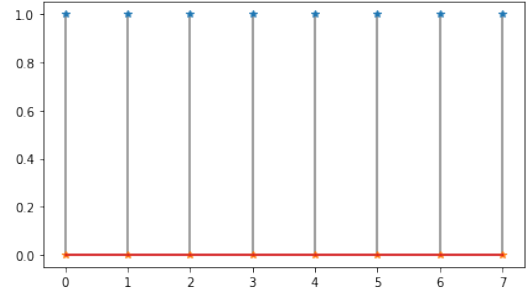


FIG. 4. Spin up electron expectation values in the ground state.

The unitary transformations that achieve the block diagonalization in the

```
1 Usss = fermiHubbardLatticeId.NoSym_DiagTrans()
2 Hamiltonian_ki = Usss * Hamiltonian_ * Usss.dag
   ()
3 Hamiltonian_ki = Hamiltonian_ki.full()
4 nB = np.shape(Hamiltonian_ki)[0]
5 for i in range(nB):
6     for j in range(nB):
7         if np.abs(Hamiltonian_ki[i,j]) < 1e-8:
8             Hamiltonian_ki[i, j] = 0
9 plt.spy(np.abs(Hamiltonian_ki))
10 plt.show()
```

Listing 24. Python example

The block diagonal from of the Hamiltonian would be plotted.

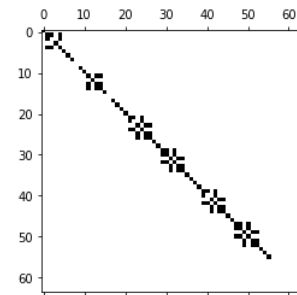


FIG. 5. Bloch diagonal Hamiltonian in the  $|k\rangle$  basis.

The Hamiltonian for a specific  $k$ -block can be found with the code.

```

1 Usss_k0 = fermiHubbardLatticeId.
   NoSym_DiagTrans_k(0)
2 Ham_k0 = Qobj(Usss_k0) * Hamiltonian_ * Qobj(
   Usss_k0).dag()
3 H_k0 = Ham_k0.full()

```

Listing 25. Python example

Or simply directly, we ask for the Hamiltonian in the  $|k\rangle$  basis.

```

1 [H_k0, basisReprUp, DownStatesPerRepr,
   normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLatticeId.
   Hamiltonian(fillingUp=None, fillingDown=
   None, kval=0)

```

Listing 26. Python example

Now, finding the electron density operator (or any other operator) in the  $|k\rangle$  basis is not easy as mentioned before. If any operator is known in the full basis the unitary transformation can be used to find it in the  $|k\rangle$  basis as well.

```

1 n_ik = Usss_k0 * n_i(i, basisStatesUp,
   basisStatesDown) * Usss_k0.dag()

```

Listing 27. operator in the  $|k\rangle$  basis

We can go in the opposite direction as well, if the operator is known in one basis, the unitary transformations can help find them in the other.

## X. TOPOLOGICAL INVARIANTS

For most general treatise, see ref. [27]. Response coefficients like charge polarization  $P_1$ , Hall conductance  $\sigma_{xy}$ , the quantization of magneto-electric polarizability  $P_3$  can be aptly put as quantized topological invariants in terms of the Berry phase vector potential  $\mathcal{A}$ ,

$$P_1 = -\frac{e}{2\pi} \int_{1dBZ} Tr[\mathcal{A}] \quad (44)$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = -\frac{e^2}{2\pi h} \int_{2dBZ} Tr[d\mathcal{A} + i\mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A}] \quad (45)$$

$$P_3 = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi h} \int_{3dBZ} Tr[\mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2i}{3}\mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A}] \quad (46)$$

$\mathcal{A}$  has components  $[\mathcal{A}_i(\mathbf{k})]^{mn} = -i\langle \mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{k}}^m | \partial_{\mathbf{k}_i} | \mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{k}}^n \rangle$ , and  $|u_{\mathbf{k}}^n\rangle$  is the Bloch function of band  $n$ .

A generalization of  $P_1$  to higher multipole moments was given in ref [27]. These higher moments are of topological origin and depends on the symmetries of the crystal. The primitive dipole, quadrupole, and octupole moments of a continuum quantity, volume charge for example, are defined as

$$p_i = \int d^3\mathbf{r} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{r}_i, \quad q_{ij} = \int d^3\mathbf{r} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_j, \quad o_{ijk} = \int d^3\mathbf{r} \rho(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_k. \quad (47)$$

$p_i$  is a Berry phase of the bulk electron states manifesting itself through the surface charge. Analogously, 2d(3d)

with square(cubic) shape has edge(corner) charge density quantities calculable from the quadrupole moment  $q_{xy}$ ,

$$p_j^{edge\alpha} = n_i^\alpha q_{ij}, \quad Q^{corner\alpha,\beta} = n_i^\alpha n_j^\beta q_{ij} \quad (48)$$

In the hierarchy, octupole moments produce,

$$q_{ij}^{face\alpha} = n_i^\alpha o_{ijk}, \quad p^{hinge\alpha,\beta} = n_i^\alpha n_j^\beta o_{ijk} \\ Q^{corner\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = n_i^\alpha n_j^\beta n_k^\gamma o_{ijk} \quad (49)$$

Here  $p_j^{edge\alpha}$  ( $p^{hinge\alpha,\beta}$ ) are the edge (hinge) tangential polarization per unit length on the square(cube),  $q_{ij}^{face\alpha}$  are the surface quadrupoles per unit area of the cube,  $Q^{corner\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  are the localized corner charges.  $n_i^\alpha = s_\alpha \delta_i^{|\alpha|}$  (with  $s_\alpha = \pm 1$ ) is the outward pointing unit normal. Edge polarizations and corner charges are both boundary manifestations of the bulk. The quadrupole and octupole moments are quantized due to reflection symmetries.

### 1. Example of quantized quadrupole moment:

A 2d crystal should have i) at least two occupied bands, ii) symmetries quantizing bulk quadrupole and dipole moment for it to have quantized quadrupole moments.

$$h^q(\mathbf{k}, \delta) = (\gamma + \lambda \cos(\mathbf{k}_x)) \Gamma_4 + \lambda \sin(\mathbf{k}_x) \Gamma_3 \\ + (\gamma + \lambda \cos(k_y)) \Gamma_2 + \lambda \sin(k_y) \Gamma_1 + \delta \Gamma_0 \quad (50)$$

$\Gamma_0 = \tau_3 \sigma_0$ ,  $\Gamma_k = -\tau_2 \sigma_k$ ,  $\Gamma_4 = \tau_1 \sigma_0$  for  $k = 1, 2, 3$ ;  $\tau, \sigma$  are Pauli matrices for the degrees of freedom in the unit cell. Diagonalizing,

$$E = \pm \sqrt{2\lambda^2 + 2\gamma^2 + 2\lambda\gamma(\cos(k_x) + \cos(k_y))}, \quad (51)$$

each band is two-fold degenerate and gapped unless  $\gamma/\lambda = \pm 1$ .

With  $\hat{m}_x = \tau_1 \sigma_3$ ,  $\hat{m}_y = \tau_1 \sigma_1$  and reflection symmetries:  $M_x : x \rightarrow -x$ , and  $M_y : y \rightarrow -y$ ,  $h^q(\delta = 0)$  has the following reflection symmetries:

$$\hat{m}_x h^q(\mathbf{k}, \delta = 0) \hat{m}_x^\dagger = h^q(\mathbf{M}_x \mathbf{k}) \\ \hat{m}_y h^q(\mathbf{k}, \delta = 0) \hat{m}_y^\dagger = h^q(\mathbf{M}_y \mathbf{k})$$

Additionally,  $M_x(k_x, k_y) = (-k_x, k_y)$ ,  $M_y(k_x, k_y) = (k_x, -k_y)$ . These symmetries quantize polarizations  $p_x$ ,  $p_y$  and  $q_{xy}$ . Also, the model preserves Charge Conjugation(CC,  $\hat{C} = \Gamma_0 K$ ) symmetry, Time Reversal (TR,  $\hat{\Theta} = K$ ) symmetry, and  $C_4$  symmetry [27].

### 2. Nested Wilson Loops

When the bulk ends in a boundary cut along  $x$  or  $y$  direction, the bulk topological moment  $q_{xy}$  generates a topologically protected edge. We define the Wilson loop

operators in the x and y directions,  $\mathcal{W}_{x,\mathbf{k}}$  and  $\mathcal{W}_{y,\mathbf{k}}$  respectively. In a crystal with  $N_{orb}$  degrees of freedom per unit cell and  $N_{occ}$  occupied energy bands, has the occupied Bloch functions,  $|u_{\mathbf{k}}^n\rangle$ , for  $n=1,2,\dots, N_{occ}$ , with components  $[u_{\mathbf{k}}^n]_{\alpha}$  for  $\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, N_{orb}$ . We also define,  $[F_{x,\mathbf{k}}]^{mn} = \langle u_{\mathbf{k}+\Delta\mathbf{k}_x}^m | u_{\mathbf{k}}^n \rangle$ , with  $\Delta\mathbf{k}_x = (2\pi/N_x, 0)$ .

$$\mathcal{W}_{x,\mathbf{k}} = F_{x,\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{N}_x\Delta\mathbf{k}_x} \dots F_{x,\mathbf{k}+\Delta\mathbf{k}_x} F_{x,\mathbf{k}} \quad (52)$$

A Wannier Hamiltonian of the x-edge can be defined

$$\mathcal{W}_{x,\mathbf{k}} \equiv e^{iH_{\mathcal{W}_x(\mathbf{k})}} \quad (53)$$

$H_{\mathcal{W}_x}(\mathbf{k})$  has eigenvalues  $2\pi\nu_x^j(k_y)$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, N_{occ}$  which is a function of coordinate  $k_y$  of the Wilson loop base point  $\mathbf{k}$ , (vice versa for y coordinate quantities). With full periodic boundary conditions, the Wilson loop diagonalizes as,

$$\mathcal{W}_{x,\mathbf{k}} = \sum_{j=\pm} e^{2\pi i \nu_x^j(k_y)} |\nu_{x,\mathbf{k}}^j\rangle \langle \nu_{x,\mathbf{k}}^j|, \quad (54)$$

with  $j=1,2$ .

When the system is gapped, the Wannier bands can carry their own topological invariants which can be calculated via the nested Wilson loops. A definition of Wannier band subspace would come in handy,

$$|w_{x,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm}\rangle = \sum_{n=1,2} |u_{\mathbf{k}}^n\rangle [\nu_{x,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm}]^n \quad (55)$$

We also define  $F_{y,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} = \langle w_{x,\mathbf{k}+\Delta\mathbf{k}_y}^{\pm} | w_{x,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} \rangle$ , where  $\Delta k_y = (0, 2\pi/N_y)$ . The nested Wilson loops along  $k_y$  in the Wannier bands  $\nu_x^{\pm}$  are

$$\tilde{\mathcal{W}}_{y,k_x}^{\pm} = F_{y,\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{N}_y\Delta\mathbf{k}_y}^{\pm} \dots F_{y,\mathbf{k}+\Delta\mathbf{k}_y}^{\pm} F_{y,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} \quad (56)$$

with their associated polarizations,

$$p_{y^{\pm}}^{\pm} = -\frac{i}{2\pi N_x} \sum_{k_x} \text{Log} [\tilde{\mathcal{W}}_{y,k_x}^{\pm}] = \begin{cases} 0, & |\gamma|/|\lambda| > 1 \\ 1/2, & |\gamma|/|\lambda| < 1 \end{cases} \quad (57)$$

The subspace of occupied energy bands has trivial polarization along y, and each of the separate Wannier band subspaces has non-vanishing polarization. In the thermodynamic limit, the polarization of the Wannier band,

$$p_{y^{\pm}}^{\pm} = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{BZ} \tilde{A}_{y,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} d^2\mathbf{k}, \quad (58)$$

with the Berry potential over the Wannier band  $\nu_x^{\pm}$  respectively,

$$\tilde{A}_{y,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} = -i \langle w_{x,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} | \partial_{k_y} | w_{x,\mathbf{k}}^{\pm} \rangle \quad (59)$$

The reflection symmetry preservation quantize the quadruple moment. Under reflections  $x \rightarrow -x (M_x)$ ,  $y \rightarrow -y (M_y)$ , and inversion  $(x, y) \rightarrow (-x, -y)$ , the polarization of the Wannier band subspace obeys,

$$p_{y^+}^+ \stackrel{M_x}{=} p_{y^+}^-, \quad p_{y^+}^{\pm} \stackrel{M_y}{=} -p_{y^+}^{\pm}, \quad p_{y^+}^+ \stackrel{I}{=} -p_{y^+}^- \text{ mod } 1 \quad (60)$$

The Wannier sector polarizations  $p_{y^{\pm}}^{\pm}$  and  $p_{x^{\pm}}^{\pm}$  take the quantized values,

$$p_{y^{\pm}}^{\pm}, p_{x^{\pm}}^{\pm} \stackrel{I, M_x, M_y}{=} 0 \text{ or } 1/2 \quad (61)$$

## A. Chern number

In 2D, the transverse current in response to a longitudinal electric field  $\mathbf{E}$  in the linear response regime is proportional to the topological invariants of the energy bands [28]. This transverse current is quantized and with the Fermi energy  $\epsilon_F$  in the energy gap, the transverse current is quantized and is proportional to the total Chern number  $C_1(\epsilon_F)$  of the occupied bands [29].

$$j_l = \frac{e^2}{h} C_1(\epsilon_F) \epsilon_{lm} E_m, \quad C_1(\epsilon_F) = \sum_{\epsilon_{\alpha} < \epsilon_F} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{BZ} F_{xy}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) d^2\mathbf{k}, \quad (62)$$

with  $F_{xy}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) = \partial_{k_x} \mathbf{A}_y^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) - \partial_{k_y} \mathbf{A}_x^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$  being the Berry curvature and  $A_l^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) = \langle \psi^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) | \partial_l | \psi^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$  the Berry connection.

For degenerate energy bands, the formula generalizes to [30],

$$C_1(\epsilon_F) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{BZ} \text{Tr} [F_{xy}(\mathbf{k})] d^2k$$

with the non-Abelian Berry curvature,  $(F_{xy}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^{\alpha\beta} = \partial_{k_x} A_y^{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{k}) - \partial_{k_y} A_x^{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{k}) + \mathbf{i} [\mathbf{A}_x, \mathbf{A}_y]^{\alpha\beta}$ , and  $(A_{\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^{\alpha\beta} = \langle \psi^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) | \nabla | \psi^{\beta}(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$  the Berry connection.

## B. Winding numbers

The non-Hermitian point-gap topology for a single energy band in a 1D system is characterized by the winding number [31]:

$$W := \int_{-\frac{\pi}{a}}^{\frac{\pi}{a}} \frac{dk}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dk} \ln [\omega(k) - \omega_0], \quad (63)$$

$\omega$  is a normalized complex eigenfrequency,  $\omega(k)$  is the closed loop traversed in the complex plane as  $k$  is swept over the 1d first Brillouin Zone  $(-\frac{\pi}{a} \leq k < \frac{\pi}{a})$ ,  $a$  being the lattice constant.  $W$  enumerates the number of times  $\omega(k)$  winds about the reference frequency  $\omega_0$  in the complex frequency plane. A counterclock-wise (clock-wise) winding is represented by  $+$  ( $-$ ) sign. Multiband generalization of  $W$  is also defined [32]. Nontrivial topological winding must necessarily break symmetry in  $k$ ,  $\omega(k) = \omega(-k)$ . Since reciprocity is responsible for this symmetry, non-Hermiticity is a requirement for nontrivial topological winding [31].

The concept readily generalizes to 2d. In a 2d square lattice with dispersion  $\omega(k_x, k_y)$ , circular paths can be found from the periodicity in either  $k_x$  or  $k_y$ , for example a straight path from  $k_x = -\frac{\pi}{a}$ ,  $k_y$  to  $k_x = \frac{\pi}{a}$ ,  $k_y$  forms a

closed loop and we can define a winding number  $W(k_y)$ .

$$W(k_y) := \int_{-\frac{\pi}{a}}^{\frac{\pi}{a}} \frac{dk}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dk} \ln [\omega(k_x, k_y) - \omega_0], \quad (64)$$

### 1. Chiral symmetry and winding: fermionic kitaev chain

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_F &= \sum_k \left[ t \cos(k) \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k + i \frac{\Delta}{2} \sin(k) \left( \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_{-k}^\dagger - H.c. \right) \right] \quad (65) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k C_k^\dagger [h_F(k) \cdot \hat{\sigma}] C_k, \end{aligned}$$

with  $C_k^\dagger = (c_k^\dagger, c_{-k})$ ,  $h_F(k) = [0, -\Delta \sin(k), t \cos(k)]$ , and  $\hat{\sigma}$  the vector of Pauli matrices in the particle-hole space. Since  $\hat{H}_F(k)$  has chiral symmetry (co-efficient of  $\sigma_x$  is 0 for all  $k$  in the first Brillouin Zone), we have the topological winding number defined as the number of times  $h_F(k)$  encircles the origin, namely 1 in this model.

### 2. winding in Bosonic system example

A bosonic model with nonzero winding in momentum space from [33],

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_B &= \sum_k \left[ t \sin(k) \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{a}_k + i \frac{\Delta}{2} \cos(k) \left( \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{a}_{-k}^\dagger - H.c. \right) \right] \quad (66) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k A_k^\dagger [h_B(k) \cdot \hat{\sigma}] A_k, \end{aligned}$$

with  $A_k^\dagger = (a_k^\dagger, a_{-k})$ ,  $h_B(k) = [0, -\Delta \cos(k), t \sin(k)]$  has a winding of 1. In real space,

$$\hat{H}_B = \frac{1}{2} \sum_j \left[ it \hat{a}_{j+1}^\dagger \hat{a}_j + i \Delta \hat{a}_{j+1}^\dagger \hat{a}_j^\dagger + H.c. \right] \quad (67)$$

Since, bosonic operators also have the representation in terms of position and momentum quadrature,  $\hat{a}_j = (\hat{x}_j + i\hat{p}_j)/\sqrt{2}$ ,

$$\hat{H}_B = \frac{1}{2} \sum_j [-(t - \Delta) \hat{x}_{j+1} \hat{p}_j + (t + \Delta) \hat{p}_{j+1} \hat{x}_j]$$

which is two copies of the Hatano-Nelson model for the  $x$  and  $p$  lattices. Unitary local squeezing operators can render  $\hat{H}_B$  in a form with real hopping  $\tilde{t} = \sqrt{t^2 - \Delta^2} = t/\cosh(r)$ .

$$\hat{U} \hat{x}_j \hat{U}^\dagger = e^{r(j-j_0)} \hat{x}_j, \quad \hat{U} \hat{p}_j \hat{U}^\dagger = e^{-r(j-j_0)} \hat{p}_j \quad (68)$$

$$\hat{U} \hat{H}_B \hat{U}^\dagger = \frac{1}{2} \sum_j \left( i \tilde{t} \hat{a}_{j+1}^\dagger \hat{a}_j + H.c. \right), \quad (69)$$

where  $e^{2r} = (t + \Delta)/(t - \Delta)$ . Since, eq. 69 is in a tight-binding form, it is easily diagonalizable in the periodic boundary condition case, with real eigenvalues,

$$E_n = \tilde{t} \cos(k_n), \quad k_n = n\pi/(N+1). \quad (70)$$

The open boundary condition case or chain, can be diagonalized,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_B^{OBC} &= \sum_n E_n \hat{\beta}_n^\dagger \hat{\beta}_n \\ \hat{\beta}_n &= \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ u_n(j) \hat{a}_j - v_n(j) \hat{a}_j^\dagger \right] \\ u_n(j) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{N+1}} i^{-j} \sin(k_n j) \cosh[r(j-j_0)], \\ v_n(j) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{N+1}} i^{-j} \sin(k_n j) \sinh[r(j-j_0)] \quad (71) \end{aligned}$$

### C. Non-Hermitian Quantum Walk: Rudner-Levitov model

[34]

### D. Knot invariants of 1d NH system

Ref. [35] propounds a theory characterizing the topology of 1d NHHs with separable bands with knots (or links) formed by the eigenenergy strings. A  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  knot invariant, the global biorthogonal Berry phase  $Q$ , is shown to be equal the permutation parity of the NH bands.  $Q$  is calculable as the sum of the Wilson loop eigenphases. Two types of topological phase transitions were found through the Exceptional Points (EP) when switching between distinct knots (accompanied by abrupt changes in biorthogonal Wannier center).

A 1d NHH with separable bands and no symmetry is fully characterized by knots inside a solid torus. The braids of energy eigenvalues are closed since Brillouin Zone is periodic. The complex eigenenergies of a 1d NHH is a set  $\mathcal{E} = \{E_j(k)\}$  with band index  $j=1,2,\dots,N$ . In the 3d space spanned by  $(\text{Re}E, \text{Im}E, k)$ , the trajectory of  $E_i(k)$  is a string as  $k$  sweeps through 0 to  $2\pi$  where the set maps into itself. On a closed 2d plane parallel to  $k$ -axis, the projections of  $N$  strings form a sufficient description of the braid. Braid operators codify the interchange of the strings. The complete braid is the product of these operators. Since  $\mathcal{E}$  is periodic in  $k$ , the braid is a knot. The net result of the evolution of  $k$  over one period is the permutation:

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} E_1(0) & E_2(0) & \dots & E_N(0) \\ E_1(2\pi) & E_2(2\pi) & \dots & E_N(2\pi) \end{pmatrix} \quad (72)$$

The parity  $P(\sigma)$  is 1(-1) for even(odd) number of transposition. The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  topological invariant  $Q$  is related to  $P$ .

The non-Abelian Berry connection  $A_B^{mn} = i\langle \partial_i u_{L\alpha}^m(\mathbf{k}) | \partial_j u_{R\alpha}^n(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$  is defined in terms of left and right eigenvectors. The Berry phase in eq. 135 is called the global biorthogonal Berry phase,

$$Q = \oint_0^{2\pi} dk Tr[A_B] \quad (73)$$

$Q$  turns out to be quantized to 0 and  $\pi$ , for even(odd) band permutations.

$$e^{iQ} = (-1)^{P(\sigma)} \quad (74)$$

The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  knot invariant  $Q$  coarsely classifies knots into two groups. Hopf and figure-8 has the same  $Q$  namely 0. But finer classification may differentiate them as well. For NHH, biorthogonal Wilson loops may be defined from the Berry connection,

$$W_B := \mathcal{P} e^{i \oint_0^{2\pi} dk A_B} \quad (75)$$

$$W_B |\mu_n\rangle = e^{i\nu_n} |\mu_n\rangle \quad (76)$$

$\mathcal{P}$  is the path ordering operator. The eigenphases  $|\nu_n\rangle$  are called the Wannier centers, and it can be showed that,

$$Q = \sum_n \nu_n \quad (77)$$

Different knots and their phase transitions can be investigated with a twistor:  $T_n$ :

$$T_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{ink} \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (78)$$

with  $n$  counting the number of twists of the two band strings,  $E_{\pm} = \pm e^{ink/2}$ , with  $k$  evolving from 0 to  $2\pi$ . The braid word of  $T_n$  is simply  $\tau_1^n$ . The twiston as a NHH for  $n=0,1,2$  gives rise to the unlink, unknot, and Hopf link respectively. Using  $T_n$  other Hamiltonians can be formed, for example, with two parameters  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ ,

$$H_{12}(k) = im_1\sigma_z + m_2T_1 + T_2 \quad (79)$$

which has three topologically distinct phases (fig. 6(b)). The Hopf link is the blue region, the unlink the green, and the unknot the pink region in the phase diagram in fig. 6(b). The knots are also plotted with the eigenenergy strings as  $k$  is swept. All three phases show NH skin effect, but line or point gaps cannot distinguish between these knot phases. Eq. 79

## XI. NON HERMITIAN LATTICE MODELS

NHH are a partial description, it is necessarily part of a larger system where the probability conserving properties of quantum evolution holds. From NHH, we want to find larger systems with probability conserving physics (not

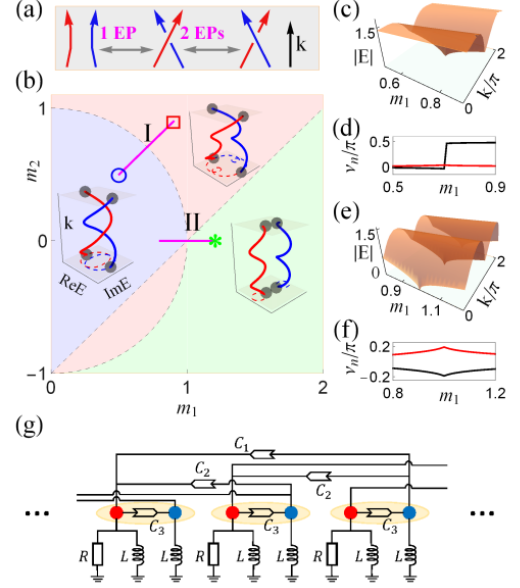


FIG. 6. (a) Schematic phase transitions and (b) Phase diagram for the  $H_{12}(k)$  in eq. 79. (c) and (e) plots  $|E(m_1, k)|$  along the cut labelled by I and II in (b). An EP is at  $(1/\sqrt{2}, \pi)$  in (c), and two EPs are at  $(1, 0)$  and  $(1, \pi)$  in (e). (d) and (f) show the Wannier centers  $\nu_n$  along cuts I and II. (g) Schematic of a periodic electric circuit that realizes  $H_{12}$ .

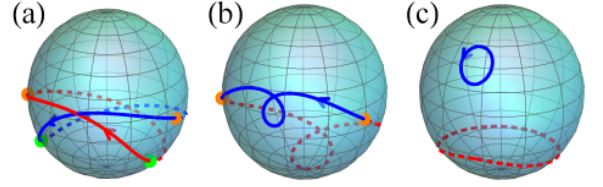


FIG. 7. Characteristic crossing pattern of eigenvectors (points on the Bloch sphere) reveal the knot topology, the invariant  $Q$  can be read off. The red(blue) curves are the eigenvectors from the north pole, they fall into the solid lines after a long time. (a)  $m_1 = m_2 = 0.5$  the Hopf-link phase, (b)  $m_1 = m_2 = 0.9$  the unknot phase, and (c)  $m_1 = 1.2, m_2 = 0.0$  the unlink phase,

uniquely). When incoherent pump and/or loss is present, the general description eq. by generalizing 23 [3],

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \hat{\rho}(t) &= -i [\hat{H}(t), \hat{\rho}] \\ &+ \sum_{\mu=1}^{M_{loss}} \mathcal{D} [\hat{L}_{\mu}] \hat{\rho}(t) + \sum_{\mu=1}^{M_{gain}} \mathcal{D} [\hat{G}_{\mu}] \hat{\rho}(t), \end{aligned} \quad (80)$$

$$\hat{L}_{\mu} = \sum_{j=1}^N l_{\mu j} \hat{c}_j, \quad \hat{G}_{\mu} = \sum_{j=1}^N g_{\mu j}^* \hat{c}_j^{\dagger} \quad (81)$$

The incoherent loss/gain operators are linear in creation/annihilation operators and the Hamiltonian is that of a lattice.  $\frac{\gamma_j^D}{2} 2\Gamma$  The Hamiltonian for a no-jump evo-

lution or post-conditioned evolution (repeating an experiment many times till a run is found with no quantum jumps),

$$\hat{H}_{cond} = \sum_{n,m} \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_m - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{\gamma} L_{\gamma} \hat{l}_{\gamma}^\dagger \hat{l}_{\mu} - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{\delta} G_{\delta} \left( 1 \mp \hat{g}_{\delta}^\dagger \hat{g}_{\delta} \right),$$

- and + are for fermionic and bosonic operators respectively. Also,  $\hat{l}_{\gamma} = \sum_m \langle l_{\gamma} | m \rangle \hat{c}_m$  and  $\hat{g}_{\delta}^\dagger = \sum_n \langle n | g_{\delta} \rangle \hat{c}_n^\dagger$ .  $|\hat{l}_{\gamma}\rangle$  and  $|g_{\delta}\rangle$  are eigenvectors of the Hermitian positive definite matrices  $L_{nm} = (\hat{l}^\dagger \hat{l})_{nm}$  and  $G_{nm} = (\hat{g}^\dagger \hat{g})_{nm}$  respectively. In the evolution of  $\hat{\rho}$  dictated by eq. 81, is it possible to find a part of 'drift' dynamics defined by some Hamiltonian?

As done in [3], an evolution equation can be calculated for the normal ordered covariance matrix,

$$i\partial_t \langle \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_m \rangle = \sum_a \left( \left( \hat{H}_{eff} \right)_{ma} \langle \hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_a \rangle - \left( \hat{H}_{eff}^\dagger \right)_{an} \langle \hat{c}_a^\dagger \hat{c}_m \rangle \right) \quad (82)$$

And we observe the dynamics generated by NHH,

$$\hat{H}_{eff} = \hat{H} - \frac{i}{2} \left( \hat{L} \pm \hat{G} \right) \quad (83)$$

For both fermions and bosons, The Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{eff}$  is similar to  $\hat{H}_{cond}$ , with signs of the generator operators alternating.

$$\hat{H}_{cond} = \hat{H} - \frac{i}{2} \left( \hat{L} \mp \hat{G} \right) \quad (84)$$

### A. Atom-field models

Collective decay/ many body signature [36] [37]

Localized emitters arranged on a lattice are amenable to engineered atom-photon interactions and high fidelity long range interactions between them [36–38]. Qutip-lattice package includes code functionality in the single excitation limit. The model was used to investigate atomic emission properties under dipole-dipole interaction coupled interstitial impurities in the array in [38]. With a regular periodic arrangement, translational symmetry aids in the computational challenge as the dynamics problem at each quasi-momentum decouple.

With  $|g_i\rangle$  and  $|e_i\rangle$  being the emitter/atom's ground and excited states (resonance frequency of  $\omega_0$ ) respectively, the coherent interaction part of the dynamics is encoded in the Hamiltonian,

$$\mathcal{H} = \hbar \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_0 \hat{\sigma}_{ee}^i + \hbar \sum_{i,j=1}^N J^{ij} \hat{\sigma}_{eg}^i \hat{\sigma}_{ge}^j \quad (85)$$

The coherent  $J(r_i, r_j)$  and incoherent  $\Gamma(r_i, r_j)$  dipole-dipole interaction between two-atoms situated at  $r_i$  and  $r_j$ ,

$$J(r_i, r_j) - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma(r_i, r_j) = -\frac{3\pi\sqrt{\gamma_i\gamma_j}}{\omega_L} \hat{d}_i^\dagger \cdot G(r_i, r_j, \omega_L) \cdot \hat{d}_j,$$

with the free-space Green's function (the propagator of the electromagnetic field between emitters at  $r_i$  and  $r_j$ )

$$G_{ij}(r) = \frac{e^{i\omega r}}{4\pi r} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{i}{\omega r} - \frac{1}{\omega^2 r^2} \right) \delta_{ij} - \left( 1 + \frac{3i}{\omega r} - \frac{3}{\omega^2 r^2} \right) \frac{r_i r_j}{r^2} \right] - \frac{\delta(\mathbf{r})}{3\omega^2} \delta_{ij} \quad (86)$$

$\hat{d}$  is the dipole matrix element of the atomic transition,  $r=|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|$ . The dissipative interactions are codified in the jump operators  $\{\hat{O}_\nu\}$ ,  $\nu = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Each individual jump operator  $\{\hat{O}_\nu\}$  is an eigenvector of the  $N \times N$  dimensional  $\Gamma$  matrix and the corresponding decay rates are the corresponding eigenvalue  $\Gamma_\nu$ . The  $\Gamma$  matrix is composed of the elements  $\Gamma_{ij}$ .

Each jump operator  $\hat{O}_\nu$  is a superposition of all the lowering operators,

$$\hat{O}_\nu = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_{\nu,i} \hat{\sigma}_{ge}^i = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_{\nu,i} |g_i\rangle \langle e_i| \quad (87)$$

subject to the normalization,

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_{\nu,i}^* \alpha_{\mu,i} = \delta_{\nu,\mu} \quad (88)$$

The spontaneous emission rate  $\Gamma_0$  of each atom is found in,

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \Gamma_\nu |\alpha_{\nu,i}|^2 = \Gamma_0 \quad (89)$$

The total emission rate  $R$  is calculated with,

$$R = -\frac{d}{dt} \sum_i \langle \sigma_{ee}^i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \Gamma_\nu \langle \hat{O}_\nu^\dagger \hat{O}_\nu \rangle \quad (90)$$

In an infinite lattice, excitations are collective surface modes of in-plane quasimomentum  $\mathbf{k}$  with lowering operator  $\sigma_{\mathbf{k}}$ ,

$$J(\mathbf{k}) - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma(\mathbf{k}) = -\frac{3\pi\sqrt{\gamma_i\gamma_j}}{\omega_L} \hat{d}_i^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{k}, \omega_L) \cdot \hat{d}_j, \quad (91)$$

$$J(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_i \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_s) e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i}$$

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_i \Gamma(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_s) e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i},$$

and  $G(\mathbf{k}, \omega_L)$  is the discrete Fourier Transformation of  $G(r_i, r_j, \omega_L)$  over the entire lattice. Interstitial impurities can give rise to new unit cell periodicities and coupled equation structures in the  $\mathbf{k}$ -space. The interaction picture Hamiltonian with dipole-dipole interaction between emitters and the impurity site is,

$$H_I^{(1)} = \sum_i \left( J(r_i, r_s) - \frac{i}{2} \Gamma(r_i, r_s) \right) \sigma_i^\dagger s + H.c.$$

The effect of geometries was investigated in ref. [39]

## B. “No-jump” evolution

Defining the model,

```
1 nSites = 6
2 fermiHubbardLattice = LatticeId_f_Hubbard(
    num_sites=nSites, boundary="periodic", t=1,
    U=-4)
```

Listing 28. Python example

```
1 [Hamiltonian_Nk, basisReprUp, DownStatesPerRepr,
   normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLattice.
   Hamiltonian( fillingUp=4, fillingDown=4,
   kval=0)
```

Listing 29. Python example

## C. Scattering matrix of a regular tight binding chain

### 1. Photonic/bosonic tight binding chain

For a cavity mode  $\hat{a}_j$  with coherent interaction codified by  $\hat{H}_a$  and coupled to a waveguide at a rate  $\kappa$ , the Heisenberg-Langevin equations take the form [40, 41],

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a}_j(t) = -i[\hat{a}_j(t), \hat{H}_a] - \frac{\kappa}{2}\hat{a}_j(t) - \sqrt{\kappa}\hat{a}_{j,in}(t)$$

and the so-called input-output relationship,

$$\hat{a}_{j,out}(t) = \hat{a}_{j,in}(t) + \sqrt{\kappa}\hat{a}_j(t)$$

The retarded Green function of the lattice is defined as

$$G^R(i, j; t) \equiv -i\theta_H(t)\langle[\hat{a}_j(t), \hat{a}_i^\dagger(0)]\rangle, \quad (92)$$

$\theta_H(t)$  being the Heaviside unit step function. If the cavity was driven by a coherent drive,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle\hat{a}_{j,in}(t)\rangle &= \bar{a}_{in,j}e^{-i\omega t} \\ \langle\hat{a}_{j,out}(t)\rangle &= \bar{a}_{out,j}e^{-i\omega t} \\ \bar{a}_{out,j} &= \sum_{j'} s_{jj'}[\omega]\bar{a}_{in,j'} \\ s_{jj'}[\omega] &= \delta_{jj'} - i\sqrt{\kappa_j\kappa_{j'}}G^R[j, j'; \omega] \end{aligned} \quad (93)$$

The retarded Green Function in the frequency domain,

$$G_0^R[j, j'; \omega] = \left[ \frac{1}{(\omega + i\frac{\kappa}{2})\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{H}_a} \right]_{jj'} \equiv \left[ \frac{1}{(\omega)\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}}} \right]_{jj'}$$

If a spatially varying loss  $\kappa_j$  is introduced, it effectuates an imaginary potential  $\mathbf{V}$  at each site [33].

$$V_{ij} = -i\frac{\kappa_j}{2}\delta_{ij} \quad (94)$$

The full Green function  $G^R[\omega]$  is obtained via the Dyson equation,

$$G^R[\omega] = G_0^R[\omega] + G_0^R[\omega]V G^R[\omega] = \frac{1}{\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{G}_0^R[\omega]\mathbf{V}}G_0^R[\omega]$$

The unperturbed Green function for a finite chain of  $N$  sites is [33],

$$G_0^R[j, j'; \omega] = i^{j-j'} \frac{2 \sin\{q[\omega] \min(j, j')\} \sin\{q[\omega] [N+1 - \max(j, j')]\}}{\tilde{t} \sin\{q[\omega]\} \sin\{q[\omega] [N+1]\}},$$

where  $q[\omega]$  is the complex wave vector computed from solving,

$$\omega + i\frac{\kappa}{2} - \tilde{t} \cos(q[\omega]) \quad (95)$$

## D. Fermionic tight binding chain

For  $N$  fermionic sites each coupled to a reservoir(bath) of fermions, ( $c_\sigma$ ,  $c_\sigma^\dagger$  being the fermionic annihilation and creation operators respectively, operators under  $\tilde{\cdot}$  are the bath operators who are labelled with wavevectors). The coherent parts of the interactions between the fermionic system sites included in  $H_S$ , and the coupling to the baths described by,

$$\begin{aligned} H_{Tot} &= H_0 + H_S + H_{int} \\ H_0 &= \sum_i \epsilon_i c_i^\dagger c_i + \sum_{k_j} \epsilon_{k_j} \tilde{c}_{k_j}^\dagger \tilde{c}_{k_j} \\ H_{int} &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^N V_i \sum_{k_j} c_i^\dagger \tilde{c}_{k_j} + H.c. \right) \end{aligned} \quad (96)$$

The density matrix of the system+bath,  $\rho(t)$  follows the von Neumann equation,

$$\dot{\rho} = -i[H_{Tot}, \rho(t)] \quad (97)$$

Going into the interaction picture (all interaction picture terms are written with a  $\hat{\cdot}$ ), the interaction picture density operator,  $\hat{\rho}(t) = e^{iH_0 t} \rho(t) e^{-iH_0 t}$  [42],

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\hat{\rho}}(t) &= \mathcal{L}(t)\hat{\rho}_0 + \int_0^t dt_1 \mathcal{L}(t)\mathcal{L}(t_1)\hat{\rho}(t_1) \\ \mathcal{L}(t)\hat{\rho}(t_1) &= -i[\hat{V}(t), \hat{\rho}(t_1)] \end{aligned}$$

The L reservoir has the injecting band of particles and R reservoir the transmottted bands. Using the Born approximation,  $\hat{\rho}(t) = \hat{\rho}_S(t) \otimes \hat{\rho}_L \otimes \hat{\rho}_R$ , we find for the system density operator,  $\hat{\rho}_S(t)$ , ( $\hat{\rho}_{L(R)}$  is the density operator of the L(R) reservoir)

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\hat{\rho}}_S(t) &= -i \int_0^t dt_1 \sum_{i,j} \left[ g_{ij}^>(t, t_1) \hat{d}_i^\dagger(t) \hat{d}_j(t_1) \hat{\rho}_S(t_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - g_{ji}^>(t_1, t) \hat{d}_i(t) \hat{\rho}_S(t_1) \hat{d}_j^\dagger(t_1) - g_{ij}^<(t_1, t) \hat{d}_i(t) \hat{d}_j^\dagger(t_1) \hat{\rho}_S(t_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + g_{ji}^<(t, t_1) \hat{d}_i^\dagger(t) \hat{\rho}_S(t_1) \hat{d}_j(t_1) \right] + H.c. \end{aligned} \quad (98)$$

The first order correlation functions appearing in eq. 98 have the following definitions,

$$g_{ij}^<(t, t') = \delta_{ij} |V_i|^2 \sum_{k_i} i \langle \hat{c}_{k_i}^\dagger(t') \hat{c}_{k_i}(t) \rangle$$

$$g_{ij}^>(t, t') = \delta_{ij} |V_i|^2 \sum_{k_i} (-i) \langle \hat{c}_{k_i}(t) \hat{c}_{k_i}^\dagger(t') \rangle$$

They can be approximated by the so-called wideband approximation.

$$g_{ij}^<(t, t') = i \delta_{ij} 2\pi \mathcal{D}_i |V_i|^2 f_i \delta(t - t')$$

$$g_{ij}^>(t, t') = -i \delta_{ij} 2\pi \mathcal{D}_i |V_i|^2 (1 - f_i) \delta(t - t')$$

Here  $f_i$  is the Fermi function and  $\mathcal{D}_i$  is a constant density of states in the  $i$ -th reservoir. Fermi functions take the values  $f_i = 0 (f_i = 1)$  for the drain (source) reservoir. With  $\Gamma_i = 2\pi \mathcal{D}_i |V_i|^2$  being the strength of the coupling to the reservoir, we can use the wideband approximations to derive the Schrödinger picture Lindblad equation [42],

$$\dot{\rho}_S = -i[H_S, \rho_S] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \Gamma_i [f_i \mathcal{L}_i^+ \rho_S + (1 - f_i) \mathcal{L}_i^- \rho_S], \quad (99)$$

with  $\mathcal{L}_i^+ \rho_S = c_i c_i^\dagger \rho_S + \rho_S c_i c_i^\dagger - 2c_i^\dagger \rho_S c_i$ , and  $\mathcal{L}_i^- \rho_S = c_i^\dagger c_i \rho_S + \rho_S c_i^\dagger c_i - 2c_i \rho_S c_i^\dagger$  codify the dissipative action of the reservoir to site  $i$ .

The integro-differential equation in 98 simplifies to a differential equation 99 with the wide-band approximation.

The vectorized system density matrix,  $\vec{\rho}_S = \text{vec}[\rho_S]$ , follow a numerically amenable differential equation [43].

$$\vec{\rho}_S(t) = e^{-i\mathcal{M}t} \vec{\rho}_S(0) \quad (100)$$

The  $\mathcal{M}$  matrix has the structure [42],

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_0 - i \frac{\Gamma}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_0 = I^{\otimes 3} \otimes H_S - H_S^T \otimes I^{\otimes 3}$$

$I$  being the 2d identity matrix. The structure of  $\mathcal{M}$  holds the signatures of NHH that is induced by the coupling to the reservoirs. A passing note on the numerics is that before integrating eq. 100, the fermionic operators have to be replaced by spin operators with the Jordan Wigner transformation.

## XII. CORRELATED RADIANCE IN EMITTERS COUPLED TO NONLINEAR PHOTONIC CAVITY

Translational symmetry techniques can be availed of in computing dynamics problems involving nonlinear cavities which are always very demanding [44]. Two or multiple photon bound states can be used in ansatzes that carry the essential support of the wavefunction in certain dynamics problems[45, 46].

$H_B$  in eq. 37 with energy  $\omega_c$  and tunneling amplitude  $J$ ,

$$H_{ph} = \sum_n \omega_c a_n^\dagger a_n - \frac{U}{2} a_n^\dagger a_n^\dagger a_n a_n - J (a_n^\dagger a_{n+1} + H.c.)$$

N two Level System(TLS) are each coupled to a cavity of the one dimensional lattice.

$$H = H_{ph} + \frac{\omega_e}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i^z + g \sum_{i=1}^N (a_{n_i} \sigma_i^+ + a_{n_i}^\dagger \sigma_i^-) \quad (101)$$

For  $N=2$ , the essential physics is found in a subspace of wave-functions with two-photon bound states[45, 46].

$$|\phi_2\rangle(t) = e^{-2i\omega_e t} \left\{ c_e(t) \sigma_1^+ \sigma_2^+ + \sum_K c_K(t) B_K^\dagger \right. \\ \left. + \sum_k [c_{1k}(t) \sigma_1^+ + c_{2k}(t) \sigma_2^+] a_k^\dagger \right\} |g, g, vac\rangle, \quad (102)$$

with  $a_k^\dagger = \sum_n e^{ikn} a_n^\dagger / \sqrt{N_c}$  and  $B_K^\dagger$  is creation operator of a boundstate of two photons,  $|\Psi_K^b\rangle = B_K^\dagger |vac\rangle$ .

Writing the photon number conserving bose Hubbard model in the  $k$ -space, all the different  $k$ -s decouple. the cross terms of the Hamiltonian are zero because it is particle number conserving. The first term with no explicit  $k$ -dependence can have diagonal in  $k$ - resolution as well,

$$1 \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\mathbf{k}\rangle \langle \mathbf{k}| \quad (103)$$

Therefore it is possible to solve the individual  $k$ -value dynamics separately as the interactions are decoupled in  $k$ .

## XIII. NON-HERMITIAN DYNAMICS

There are works that treat NHH as a focussed view of a larger physical system where all the rules of Conventional Quantum Mechanics(CQM) hold and the NHH problem boils down to mapping the given problem to valid choices (not unique) extended systems that follow CQM [3]. But there have been efforts to trat NHH as fundamental objects and fundamental physics in their own right. As was explained in [47], for neutral meson systems, NHHs were used in [48, 49]. A general NHH,  $\hat{H}$  can be split into Hermitian ( $\hat{H}_+$ ) and non-Hermitian ( $\hat{H}_-$ ) parts i.e.  $\hat{H} = \hat{H}_+ + \hat{H}_-$ . They are simply,  $\hat{H}_\pm = (\hat{H} \pm \hat{H}^\dagger)/2$ . With the definitions,  $\hat{M} = \hat{H}_+$ , and  $\hat{\Gamma} = 2i\hat{H}_-$  ( $\hat{M}$  and  $\hat{\Gamma}$  both Hermitian with positive eigenvalues), NHH are often put in the Weisskopf-Wigner form,  $\hat{H} = \hat{M} - i\hat{\Gamma}/2$  ( $\hat{M}$  and  $\hat{\Gamma}$  are both Hermitian). With a NHH, the Liou-villian equation for the density matrix, eq. 23 no longer preserves the trace. Refs [50–52] introduces the normalized density matrices,  $\hat{\rho}_N(t) = \hat{\rho}(t)/\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}(t)]$  leading to



the redefinition of the expectation value of an observable  $\hat{O}(t)$  as,  $\langle \hat{O}(t) \rangle = \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_N(t)\hat{O}(t=0)]$ . The proposed master equation is the following,

$$i\partial_t \hat{\rho}_N = [\hat{M}, \hat{\rho}_N] - \frac{i}{2}\{\hat{\Gamma}, \hat{\rho}_N\} + \frac{i}{2}\text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\rho}_N]\hat{\rho}_N, \quad (104)$$

instead of the usual Liouville-von Neumann equation,

$$i\partial_t \hat{\rho} = [\hat{H}_{eff}, \hat{\rho}] = [\hat{M}, \hat{\rho}_N] - \frac{i}{2}\{\hat{\Gamma}, \hat{\rho}_N\}, \quad (105)$$

with an effective Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{eff}$  (which is Non-Hermitian). The corresponding Schrödinger equation to the master equation eq. 104 was also defined in [50].

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}|\psi'\rangle = (\hat{H}_+ + \hat{H}_- - \langle \hat{H}_- \rangle)|\psi'\rangle, \quad (106)$$

with  $\langle \hat{H}_- \rangle \equiv \langle \psi' | \hat{H}_- | \psi' \rangle = \langle \psi' | \hat{H} - \hat{H}_+ | \psi' \rangle$ . Ref. [50] succeeded in finding an equation of motion for the determinant of the density matrix  $\hat{\rho}(t)$ .

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \det \hat{\rho}(t) = -\frac{1}{\hbar} \det \hat{\rho}(t) \text{tr}[\hat{\Gamma}] \quad (107)$$

Eq. 107 can be integrated

$$\det \hat{\rho}(t) = \det \hat{\rho}(0) e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \text{tr}[\hat{\Gamma}] t} \quad (108)$$

Eq. 108 reveals the asymptotic dynamics of the determinant of the density matrix. For example for a  $\hat{\Gamma}$  with trace 0,  $\det \hat{\rho}(t)$  is a conserved quantity.

Eq. 104 is sometimes also put in the form,

$$i\partial_t \hat{\rho}_N = [\hat{M}, \hat{\rho}_N] - \frac{i}{2}\{\hat{\Gamma}_{\hat{\rho}}, \hat{\rho}_N\}, \quad (109)$$

where,

$$\hat{\Gamma}_{\hat{\rho}} = \hat{\Gamma} - \text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\rho}_N]\mathbf{1} \quad (110)$$

$\text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\rho}_N]$  is responsible for a state-dependence in the effective Hamiltonian which codifies a feedback over the dynamics. The Gisin equation of [53] is obtained with the substitution  $\hat{M} = \frac{\hat{\Gamma}}{2}$ . [54] showed the derivation of classical Landau-Lifshitz equation from the quantum mechanical equation eq. 109.

$$\partial_t \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_N] = -\text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\rho}_N] \quad (111)$$

The non-linear term  $\frac{i}{2}\text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\rho}_N]\hat{\rho}_N$  comes from the time derivative of  $\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_N]$  (eq. 111) and helps preserve the trace over time evolution [52]. Dropping the term we simply get the eq. 105 which is linear and has some use in the theory despite the decay of the trace over time. Eq. 104 has been used in the context of symmetry breaking [52], criticality in  $\mathcal{PT}$  symmetric systems [55], quantum speed limits [56, 57], in the development of ‘biorthogonal quantum mechanics’ [58]. Both eq. 109 and 104 can have additive Lindblad dissipators  $\mathcal{D}[\hat{L}_j](\hat{L}_j$  being some

collapse operator) on the right hand side in the presence of further dissipative interactions [59].

Ref. [60] discusses the evolution of entropy in the NH approach. The usual definition of von-Neumann entropy leads to more interesting features when applied to the Non-Hermitian systems.

$$S_{vN} \equiv -k_B \langle \ln \hat{\rho}_N \rangle = -k_B \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_N \ln \hat{\rho}_N] \quad (112)$$

If  $\hat{\Gamma} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\hat{H}_{eff} \rightarrow \hat{M}$ , under unitary dynamics, we simply obtain an unevolving von Neumann entropy [60],

$$\partial_t S_{vN} = -k_B \text{Tr}[\partial_t \hat{\rho}_N \ln \hat{\rho}_N] = 0 \quad (113)$$

For the Non Hermitian case, however, the evolution of  $S_{vN}$  can be found in the form,

$$\partial_t S_{vN} = \frac{2k_B}{\hbar} \text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma} \hat{\rho}_N \ln \hat{\rho}_N] + \frac{2}{\hbar} \text{Tr}[\hat{\Gamma} \hat{\rho}_N] S_{vN} \quad (114)$$

Therefore, it can be observed that, the non-unitary evolution codified in eq. 104 in general leads to entropy production or increase unlike the unitary evolution. Considering the presence of nonequilibrium processes that may lead to the Non Hermitian physics, such a behaviour is not invalid. A second definition of entropy entertained in [60] is based on taking the statistical average of the logarithm of the non-normalized density operator,

$$\begin{aligned} S_{NH} &= -k_B \langle \ln \hat{\rho} \rangle = -k_B \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_N \ln \hat{\rho}] \\ &= -k_B \frac{\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_N \ln \hat{\rho}]}{\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}]} \end{aligned} \quad (115)$$

with a curious result for the difference between the two entropies,

$$S_{NH} = S_{vN} - k_B \ln[\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}]],$$

$k_B$  being the Boltzmann constant.

Since,  $\ln[\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}]]$  is a measure of the loss in the trace in the linear evolution, the difference of the two entropies in a sense quantifies the loss. Problematically, the entropy  $S_{NH}$  is not invariant under constant shifts of the Hamiltonian which is not supposed to change any of the physical properties [60].

$$\hat{\Gamma} \rightarrow \hat{\Gamma} + \frac{1}{2}\alpha \mathbf{1}$$

$$S_{vN} \rightarrow S_{vN},$$

$$S_{NH} \rightarrow S_{NH} + k_B \alpha t$$

The dynamics of von-Neumann entropy is indeed very rich and deserves attention in the context of specific examples. Ref. [61] investigated the dynamics of coupled nonlinear oscillators with the non-Hermitian master equation eq. 104 specifically with the example of resonant cavities coupled by a chiral mirror. The number non-conserving physics is relevant to the  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric lasers and anti-lasers [62–65] and simulation of double-well non-Hermitian Bose condensate models. The dynamics of von Neumann entropy was found to be rich

and illuminating. While nonlinearity induces entanglement, its dynamics and amount was controllable by the asymmetry of the non-Hermitian interaction.

Ref. [66] investigated the evolution of purity in the non-linear evolution eq. 104, demonstrating that quantum fluctuations may destabilize initial pure states evolving into mixed states unlike the Hermitian master equations which preserve the purity of an initial pure state. Ref. [50] also finds an equation of motion for the purity defined in the habitual form,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(\hat{\rho}) &\equiv \text{tr}(\hat{\rho}'^2) = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho}^2)/(\text{tr}(\hat{\rho}))^2 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(\hat{\rho}) &= \mathcal{R}(\hat{\rho}, \hat{\Gamma}), \\ \mathcal{R}(\hat{\rho}, \hat{\Gamma}) &= 2\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}'\hat{\Gamma}]\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}'^2] - \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}'^2\hat{\Gamma}]\end{aligned}$$

So, the purity is conserved over time if the function,  $\mathcal{R}(\hat{\rho}, \hat{\Gamma})$  is 0.

The time correlation functions need to be defined and understood since properties of correlation functions are related to linearity and we have master equations generalized to nonlinearity. Ref. [51] entertains multiple definitions. The hermitian correlation function can only be defined with the Hermitian part of the Hamiltonian,  $\hat{M}$ . For two arbitrary operators  $\hat{\chi}$  and  $\hat{\xi}$ ,

$$C_{\chi\xi} = \text{Tr} \left\{ \hat{\chi} \exp \left[ -i(t_2 - t_1)\hat{M} \right] \hat{\xi} \hat{\rho}_{\hat{M}} \exp \left[ i(t_2 - t_1)\hat{M} \right] \right\} \quad (116)$$

The correlation function from Eq. 116 is generalized in the non-Hermitian case,

$$\begin{aligned}C_{\chi\xi}(t_1, t_2) &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \hat{\chi}\mathcal{K}(t_2, t_1)\hat{\xi}\mathcal{K}(t_1, t_0)\hat{\rho}_N(t_0) \right\} \\ &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \hat{\chi}\mathcal{K}(t_2, t_1)\hat{\xi}\hat{\rho}_N(t_1) \right\} \\ &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \hat{\chi}\mathcal{K}(t_2, t_1)\hat{\xi}\hat{\rho}(t_1)/\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}(t_1)] \right\}, \quad (117)\end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\chi}$  and  $\hat{\xi}$  are Schrödinger picture operators,  $\mathcal{K}$  is the generalized evolution operator evolving the density operator from a point in time to other,  $\mathcal{K}(t_b, t_a)\hat{\rho}(t_a) = \hat{\rho}(t_b)$ .

A different correlation function was also defined in terms of the linear non-trace preserving eq. 105,

$$\begin{aligned}C_{\chi\xi}^{(L)}(t_1, t_2) &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \hat{\chi}\mathcal{K}_L(t_2, t_1)\hat{\xi}\mathcal{K}_L(t_1, t_0)\hat{\rho}(t_0) \right\} / \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}(t_2)], \\ &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \hat{\chi}\mathcal{K}_L(t_2, t_1)\hat{\xi}\hat{\rho}(t_1) \right\} / \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}(t_2)], \quad (118)\end{aligned}$$

For relaxation in spin-ensembles, the redfield approach had always been the *modus operandi* [67–69] until recent years. For the description of nonlinear processes taking place in NMR experiments, more sophisticated phenomenological approaches have been developed with NHHs. A direct application of Liouvillian-von Neumann equation is not sensible because of the non-preservation of the trace over the evolution. A Liouvillian equation has also been defined for  $\eta$ -pseudo-Hermitian ( $\eta H \eta^{-1} =$

$H^\dagger$  with  $\eta$  being a Hermitian metric operator in Hilbert space [70]) Hamiltonians in [71, 72]. For the generalized density matrix,  $\rho_G(t) = \rho(t)\eta$ , the proposed generalized density matrix evolution equation,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho_G &= -i[H, \rho_G] \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{N^2-1} \left( L_j \rho L_j^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} L_j^\dagger L_j \rho_G - \frac{1}{2} \rho_G L_j^\dagger L_j \right) \quad (119)\end{aligned}$$

where  $L_j^\dagger = \eta^{-1} L_j^\dagger \eta$  embodies the adjoint of  $L_j^\dagger$  with respect to the pseudo-inner product constructed by  $\eta$ . A similarity transformation is used to convert the  $\eta$ -pseudo Hermitian Hamiltonian to its Hermitian counterpart, which satisfies the regular Liouvillian master equation (eq. 23 for example). Eq. 119 is finally obtained by reverting back to the original basis.

Among the  $\eta$ -pseudo-Hermitian Hamiltonians,  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric Hamiltonians have attracted substantial attention. Initiated by the original discovery by Bender and Boettcher in 1988 that the eigenvalues of Hamiltonians with  $\mathcal{P}$ :parity-inversion plus  $\mathcal{T}$ :Time reversal symmetry are all real [73], a revolution has taken place leading to the theory of Non-Hermitian Quantum Mechanics (NHQM) [70, 74–77]. The interest in unravelling the physics of  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry disseminated the borders of quantum and classicality [77] to semi-classical as well as classical physics. One important issue debated is the validity of non-Hermitian physics as a fundamental theory. Certain works are cautiously pessimistic about it since important cornerstones of physics seems to be in contradiction to it. [78] argues that local  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry facilitates the perfect discrimination of non-orthogonal states and the violation of the no-signaling principle. Ref. [79] showed that entanglement under local operations can be increased. And ref. [80] showed entanglement under local unitary operations to be not invariant under local  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric unitary operations.

The difficulty in formulating Non Hermitian Quantum Mechanics (NHQM) as a fundamental theory was noted to be intertwined with proper definition of the Hilbert space (mostly the inner product) [58, 81–85]. To make the trace time invariant, instead of keeping it fixed at 1, the metric of the Hilbert space could be redefined [86]. Ref. [86] focusses on finite-dimensional state spaces with a Hilbert space metric and generalized operator definitions that fixes the problems of violation of the no-go theorems argued in [78–80].  $|\psi\rangle(t)$  is parallel transported in the direction of time and inner products between parallel transported vectors are fixed in time. To differentiate from the conventional inner product it is written as  $\langle\langle\psi_1(t)|\psi_2(t)\rangle\rangle$ . New vector  $|\psi\rangle(t)$  is the same as  $|\psi\rangle(t)$  and follows the Schrödinger equation,  $\partial_t|\psi(t)\rangle = -iH(t)|\psi(t)\rangle$ . Dual vectors are not simply the Hermitian conjugates, but also are subject of a linear map,

$$\langle\langle\psi(t)| = \langle\psi(t)|G(t),$$

$G(t)$  is the solution (Hermitian, positive-definite) of the following equation

$$\partial_t G(t) = i [G(t)H(t) - H^\dagger(t)G(t)],$$

and we get a time dependent metric. In the special case the metric is time independent, we get the pseudo-Hermitian Hamiltonian,  $GH = H^\dagger G$ . The definition of unitary operators from CQM,  $U(t)^\dagger U(t) = \mathbf{1}$  changes to the condition of keeping the metric unchanged  $\mathcal{U}^\dagger G(t)\mathcal{U} = G(t)$  in NHQM. The generalized density matrix operator,  $\hat{\rho} = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i(t)\rangle\langle\psi_i(t)|$  and expectation values of the generalized operators ( $\langle\mathcal{O}\rangle = \sum_i p_i \langle\phi(t)|\mathcal{O}|\phi_i(t)\rangle = \text{Tr}[\phi(t)\langle\langle\phi(t)|\mathcal{O}\rangle]$ ) have the habitual forms.

#### XIV. NON HERMITIAN SYMMETRIES

For a review, see [87] and a recent one for  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry in photonic systems, see [88, 89].

##### A. $\mathcal{PT}$ - symmetry

Any Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  is parity-time reversal ( $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ ) symmetric if there exists a unitary operator  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}$  and an antiunitary operator  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  such that

$$[\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}, \hat{H}_{NH}] = 0 \quad (120)$$

$$(\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}})^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad (121)$$

Eq. 120 dictates that if  $|\psi\rangle$  is a right eigenstate of  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  with eigenvalue  $E$ , then  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$  is a right eigenstate with eigenvalue  $E^*$ . As such the first possibility is that  $|\psi\rangle \propto \hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$ , and  $|\psi\rangle$  is an eigenstate of  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $E$  is real, hence  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ -symmetry is unbroken. The other distinct possibility is that  $|\psi\rangle$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$  are distinct eigenstates with eigenvalue  $E_n$  and  $E_n^*$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ -symmetry is broken.

The representations of  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  depends on the system under study. In most cases,  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  is the complex conjugation operator and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}$  or  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  do not necessarily have to codify parity or time-reversal respectively. For the following,

$$\hat{H}_{NH} = \begin{bmatrix} m + \Delta & ite^{i\theta} \\ it'e^{-i\theta} & m - \Delta \end{bmatrix}, \quad m, \Delta, t, t' \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \neq -t'$$

the following unitary operator  $\hat{C}$ ,

$$\hat{H}_{NH} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & -e^{-i\theta} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \theta \neq n\pi, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

can be found which does not satisfy  $(\hat{C})^2 = \mathbb{1}$ , but satisfy  $(\hat{C}\hat{\mathcal{T}})^2 = \mathbb{1}$ ,  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  being the complex conjugation. Now,  $[\hat{C}\hat{\mathcal{T}}, \hat{H}_{NH}] = 0$  and eigenvalues of  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  is coincident real or complex conjugate pair.

Eq. 121 can also be generalized to some c-number times identity operator on the right hand side, for example -1 which gives the interesting result of  $|\psi\rangle$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$  being orthogonal.

##### B. Anti- $\mathcal{PT}$ - symmetry

Any Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  is anti-parity-time reversal (anti- $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ ) symmetric if there exists a unitary operator  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}$  and an antiunitary operator  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  such that

$$\{\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}, \hat{H}_{NH}\} = 0 \quad (122)$$

$$(\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}})^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad (123)$$

Eq. 122 dictates that if  $|\psi\rangle$  is a right eigenstate of  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  with eigenvalue  $E$ , then  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$  is a right eigenstate with eigenvalue  $-E^*$ . As such the first possibility is that  $|\psi\rangle \propto \hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$ , and  $|\psi\rangle$  is an eigenstate of  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $E$  is imaginary, hence  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ -anti-symmetry is unbroken. The other distinct possibility is that  $|\psi\rangle$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}|\psi\rangle$  are distinct eigenstates with eigenvalue  $E_n$  and  $-E_n^*$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ -antisymmetry is broken.

Anti- $\mathcal{PT}$  - symmetry and  $\mathcal{PT}$  - symmetry can be combined into a more general form, ( $\phi \in [0, 2\pi)$ )

$$\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}\hat{H}_{NH} = e^{i\phi}\hat{H}_{NH}\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}} \quad (124)$$

##### C. Pseudo-Hermiticity

Pseudo-Hermiticity is a envelope generalization of Hermiticity and  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  symmetry and can indicate the ability of a NHH to possess real eigenvalues. For a NHH,  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  the condition

$$\eta\hat{H}_{NH}\eta^{-1} = \hat{H}_{NH}^\dagger, \quad (125)$$

with some invertible Hermitian linear operator  $\eta$  indicate pseudo-hermiticity. Eigenvalues of  $\hat{H}_{NH}$  are real or occur in conjugate pairs. There is also the concept of anti-pseudo-Hermiticity with a negative sign on the right hand side of eq. 125.

##### D. Combinations of non-Hermitian symmetries

Combinations of multiple non-Hermitian symmetries impose constraints on the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a non-Hermitian Hamiltonian is useful for categorizing and understang them. For example, from ref. [90],

$$\hat{H}_{NH}^{comb} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & \lambda_+ & c_+ \\ b^* & -a^* & c_+^* & -\lambda_+ \\ \lambda_- & c_- & a^* & b \\ c_-^* & -\lambda_- & b^* & -a \end{bmatrix}, \quad (126)$$

with  $a, b, c_\pm \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\lambda_\pm \in \mathbb{R}$ . With  $\Sigma_\mu = \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_\mu$ ,  $\mu = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , the complex conjugation operator,  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ . We

can show anti- $\mathcal{PT}$  - symmetry with  $\{\Sigma_3 \Sigma_1 \hat{\mathcal{T}}, \hat{H}_{NH}^{comb}\} = 0$  and pseudo-Hermiticity  $\Sigma_0 \hat{H}_{NH}^{comb} \Sigma_0 = \hat{H}_{NH}^{comb, \dagger}$ . From this we learn, the eigenvalues either is a set  $\{E, E^*, -E, -E^*\}$  with non-real  $E$ , or two real pairs,  $\{E_1, -E_1\}$  and  $\{E_2, -E_2\}$  (orthogonal eigenstates in each pair).

### 1. Two Level

### 2. Lattice

Functions to form the lattice from the k-space Hamiltonian?

## E. Non Hermitian Chern number

### 1. Topological Band theory of NHH

A topological band theory for NHHs was developed in [91]. The notion of gaps were extended to the complex plane of eigenenergies in NHHs along with the introduction of a classification of topologically distinct “gapped” band structures. NHH bands with nonzero Chern numbers in 2d were found to possess edge states and a range of energies connecting the bulk bands in the complex plane. Curiously, a topological invariant was discovered from the energy dispersion, instead of the Bloch wavefunction. The first conceptualization or realization of exceptional points in 2d band structures was reported in that distinct gapped phases connect via an intermediate phase with band degeneracies at isolated points in momentum space.

The definition of Chern numbers, Berry connection and curvature do not change from eq. 62 and the associated discussion for the Hermitian Hamiltonians. Definitions of gapped, fully gapped, and gapless bands from hermitian Hamiltonians is generalized to separable, isolated, and inseparable bands respectively. A band  $n$  is separable if its energy  $E_n(\mathbf{k}) \neq \mathbf{E}_m(\mathbf{k})$  for all  $m \neq n$  and all  $\mathbf{k}$ . An isolated band  $n$  has  $E_n(\mathbf{k}) \neq \mathbf{E}_m(\mathbf{k}')$ ,  $\forall m \neq n$ , and  $\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'$ . A band is inseparable if it is degenerate with another band at some momentum. Ref. [91] proved the four Chern numbers LL, LR, RL, and RR constituted from the L(left) and R(right) eigenstates (sharing a common eigenvalue  $E_n$ ) to be equal. In Berry curvature,  $i\langle \partial_i \psi_n^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) | \partial_j \psi_n^\beta(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$ ,  $\alpha, \beta = L, R$  and  $n$  is the band index.

$$H|\psi_n^R\rangle = E_n|\psi_n^R\rangle, \quad H^\dagger|\psi_n^L\rangle = E_n^*|\psi_n^L\rangle$$

With a domain wall setup where two semi-infinite domains are separated by a wall along the y-axis, a topologically protected edge state localized at the wall was found for two topologically distinct phases of the NHH (a generalized version of 2d Dirac fermion model):

$$H^{1,N}(k_x, k_y) = (k_x + i\kappa_x)\sigma_x + (k_y + i\kappa_y)\sigma_y + (m + i\delta)\sigma_z \quad (127)$$

with  $\kappa \equiv (\kappa_x, \kappa_y)$ ,  $\mathbf{k} \equiv (\mathbf{k}_x, \mathbf{k}_y)$ ,  $k \equiv |\mathbf{k}|$ , and  $\kappa \equiv |\kappa|$ , the complex eigenenergies of the NHH in eq. 127 is found to be,

$$E_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) = \pm \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 - \kappa^2 + \mathbf{m}^2 - \delta^2 + 2i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \kappa + \mathbf{m} \cdot \delta)}, \quad (128)$$

The two bands are “separable” according to the definition for  $\kappa < |m|$ . The two topologically distinct phases (having differing Chern numbers) with  $\kappa < m$  and  $-\kappa > m$  (both phases with separable two bands) separated by the domain wall lead to a band of edge state energies (complex) in the “gapped region” that connect the bulk bands.

A second NHH which support edge states localized in the interface was forwarded,

$$H^{2,N}(k_x, k_y) = (\sin k_x + i\kappa_x)\sigma_x + (\sin k_y + i\kappa_y)\sigma_y + (\cos k_x + \cos k_y + m + i\delta)\sigma_z \quad (129)$$

If we expand the NHH  $H^{2,N}$  in eq. 129 around the  $(k_x, k_y) = (0, 0)$  point to the lowest (linear) order we get  $H^{1,N}$  in eq. 127, the continuum limit. This connection becomes important in the non-Bloch theory of Chern numbers soon forwarded in [92]. Ref. [91] also introduces the topological invariant called vorticity for a pair of complex bands called vorticity. For a closed loop  $\Gamma$  in momentum space, for complex bands  $E_m(\mathbf{k})$  and  $E_n(\mathbf{k})$ ,

$$\nu_{mn}(\Gamma) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \oint_{\Gamma} \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \arg[E_m(\mathbf{k}) - E_n(\mathbf{k})] \cdot d\mathbf{k} \quad (130)$$

For a contractible loop  $\Gamma$  in BZ, a nonzero vorticity implies the degeneracy of bands in the region enclosed by  $\Gamma$ . For a pair of separable bands, vorticity is always 0 on a contractible loop. For a pair of separable bands, nonzero vorticity is found only on noncontractible loops. This leads to a  $(Z/2)^d$  classification of d-dimensional separable bands. This is in contrast with gapped one-dimensional Hermitian Hamiltonians who are necessarily topologically trivial. But separable non-Hermitian Hamiltonians in 1d have this  $\mathbf{Z}/2$  classification.

For 2d, it is known that Hermitian Hamiltonians can not have robust degeneracies without some symmetry. For example, the band degeneracy in the Dirac point for 2d is unstable without additional symmetry present. On the other hand, the Weyl point in three dimensions is topologically stable. For 3d Weyl points, finding the degeneracy requires tuning three parameters. Surprisingly, for NHHs, finding degeneracy requires tuning two parameters. Furthermore, NHH at the generic degeneracy points are called defective meaning that the eigenstates do not span the full Hilbert space. Near such a defective point, the k.p Hamiltonian can be written,

$$H(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{a}\mathbf{I} + \epsilon\sigma_+ + \sum_{i,j} \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{c}_{ij} \sigma_j, \quad (131)$$

where  $i=x, y$ ,  $j=x, y, z, a, \epsilon$  and  $c_{ij}$  are complex numbers. The eigenenergies form the band,

$$E_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{a} \pm \sqrt{\mathbf{c}_x \mathbf{k}_x + \mathbf{c}_y \mathbf{k}_y}, \quad (132)$$

with  $c_x = 2\epsilon(c_{xx} + ic_{xy})$ , and  $c_y = 2\epsilon(c_{yx} + ic_{yy})$ . For  $\epsilon \neq 0$ , the degeneracy is defective. For  $c_x, c_y \neq 0$  and  $Im(c_y/c_x) \neq 0$ , the band degeneracy is called “exceptional point”. Exceptional points are found in inseparable intermediate phase in topological phase transitions in two dimensions. For example, for the Hamiltonian  $H^{1,N}$  in eq. 127, the two topologically distinct regions  $m > \kappa$  and  $m < -\kappa$  are separated by the intermediate regime  $|m| < |\kappa|$ . In this intermediate region, the two bands  $E_{\pm}(\mathbf{k})$  cross at two isolated points  $\mathbf{k}_{\pm}$  (the exceptional points) in the momentum space,

$$\mathbf{k}_{\pm} = -\frac{\mathbf{m}\delta}{\kappa} \hat{\mathbf{n}} \pm \frac{\sqrt{(\kappa^2 - \mathbf{m}^2)(\kappa^2 + \delta^2)}}{\kappa} \hat{\mathbf{z}} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \quad (133)$$

$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \kappa/|\kappa|$ . The separable band structures ( $|m| > \kappa$ ) have zero total vorticity. The two exceptional points have opposite vorticities. The Hamiltonian is defective at the degeneracy points. Non Hermitian phase transitions occur through these exceptional point pairs.

## 2. Non-Hermitian Chern bands

Ref. [92] introduces a non-Bloch chern number that accurately predicts the number of chiral edge modes whereas chern numbers from a non Hermitian bloch hamiltonian fails. From the non-hermitian Hamiltonian  $H^{Bloch}(\mathbf{k})$ , the algorithm proceeds in a couple of steps: 1) find the low energy continuum model of  $H^{Bloch}(\mathbf{k})$  around a local minima  $H(\mathbf{k})$  (the issue not really investigated), a linear or quadratic in  $\mathbf{k}$  expansion can be taken, 2) find the “Non-Bloch” Hamiltonian:  $\tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) \equiv H(\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{k}} + i\tilde{\mathbf{k}}')$ .  $\tilde{\mathbf{k}}'$  is, in general, a function of  $\tilde{\mathbf{k}}$ .  $\tilde{\mathbf{k}}$  parametrizes the generalized Brillouin Zone  $\tilde{T}^2(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})$ , a deformation of the original Brillouin Zone  $T^2(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})$  into complex spaces. The non-Bloch Chern number is defined as the standard chern number of  $\tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})$  (instead of  $H(\mathbf{k})$ ). Ref. [92] also demonstrates a NHH model where the continuum limit was not taken and the chern number was calculated from step 2 alone. Also their definition of chern number is with left and right eigenvectors in the way written out below:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})|u_{R\alpha}\rangle &= E_{\alpha}|u_{R\alpha}\rangle, & \tilde{H}^{\dagger}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})|u_{L\alpha}\rangle &= E_{\alpha}^*|u_{L\alpha}\rangle, \\ \langle u_{L\alpha}|u_{R\alpha}\rangle &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (134)$$

$$C_{(\alpha)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\tilde{T}^2} d^2\tilde{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon^{ij} \langle \partial_i u_{L\alpha}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) | \partial_j u_{R\alpha}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) \rangle \quad (135)$$

$\tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) = VJV^{-1}$ ,  $J$  is diagonal, every column of  $V(V^{\dagger})^{-1}$  is a right(left) eigenvector with normalization  $\langle u_{L\alpha}|u_{R\beta}\rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$ .  $\epsilon^{xy} = -\epsilon^{yx} = 1$ . Eq. 135 yields the correct number of chiral edge modes. Eq. 134 is called the biorthogonal normalization [58] and the Berry phase in eq. 135 the global biorthogonal Berry phase [93]. As is done in many cases, an alternate expression for  $C_{\alpha}$  is,

$$C_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\tilde{T}^2} d^2\tilde{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon^{ij} Tr(P_{\alpha} \partial_i P_{\alpha} \partial_j P_{\alpha}), \quad (136)$$

where  $P_{\alpha} = |u_{R\alpha}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})\rangle \langle u_{L\alpha}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})|$  is the projection operator defined with a specific arrangement of  $L$  and  $R$ .

The NHH demonstrated in ref. [92] can be obtained from  $H^{2,N}(k_x, k_y)$  in eq. 129 with  $t \rightarrow \nu_x$ ,  $t \rightarrow \nu_x$  and generalizing with parameters  $t_x, t_y$ s. With the expansion to  $k_j^2$  order, ( $H^{2,N}(k_x, k_y)$  in eq. 127 was to  $k_j$  order or linear order)

$$\begin{aligned} H(\mathbf{k}) &= (\nu_x \mathbf{k}_x + i\gamma_x) \sigma_x + (\nu_y \mathbf{k}_y + i\gamma_y) \sigma_y \\ &+ \left( m - t_x - t_y + \frac{t_x}{2} k_x^2 + \frac{t_y}{2} k_y^2 \right) \sigma_z \end{aligned} \quad (137)$$

$$\tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) \equiv H(\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{k}} + i\tilde{\mathbf{k}}') \quad (138)$$

Using the transformation eq. 138, the Hamiltonian  $H(\mathbf{k})$  is turned into,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) &= \nu_x \tilde{k}_x \sigma_x + \nu_y \tilde{k}_y \sigma_y \\ &+ \left( \tilde{m} + \frac{t_x \tilde{k}_x^2 + t_y \tilde{k}_y^2}{2} - i \sum_j \frac{t_j \gamma_j \tilde{k}_j}{\nu_j} \right) \sigma_z, \end{aligned} \quad (139)$$

with  $\tilde{m} = m - t_x - t_y - \frac{t_x \gamma_x^2}{2\nu_x^2} - \frac{t_y \gamma_y^2}{2\nu_y^2}$ , which is used for the Chern number calculation.

Because of adaptability to analytical work, the following model is useful,

$$\begin{aligned} H^A(\mathbf{k}) &= \sin(\mathbf{k}_x + i\gamma_x) \sigma_x + \sin(\mathbf{k}_y + i\gamma_y) \sigma_y \\ &+ [m - t \cos(k_x + i\gamma_x) - t \cos(k_y + i\gamma_y)] \sigma_z \end{aligned} \quad (140)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H^A(x, y) &= \sum_x c_x^{\dagger} (m \sigma_z) c_x \\ &+ \sum_x c_x^{\dagger} \sum_{j=x,y} \frac{\exp(-\gamma_j)}{2} (-i\sigma_j - t\sigma_z) c_{x+e_j} \\ &+ \sum_x c_x^{\dagger} \sum_{j=x,y} \frac{\exp(\gamma_j)}{2} (i\sigma_j - t\sigma_z) c_{x-e_j}, \end{aligned} \quad (141)$$

where  $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)$  are the integer coordinates of unit cells,  $c_{\mathbf{x}} = (c_{\mathbf{x},A}, c_{\mathbf{x},B})^T$  is a two-component annihilation operator,  $\hat{e}_j$  is the unit vector along the  $j$  direction.  $H^A(x, y)$  can be diagonalized subject to OBC on a square of side  $L$ .  $H^A(x, y)$  becomes a  $2L^2 \times 2L^2$  matrix. If  $|\psi\rangle$  is a eigenvector, then with a diagonal matrix  $S$  with elements  $S(x, y) = \exp(\gamma_x x + \gamma_y y)$ , we can find,

$$\begin{aligned} H|\psi\rangle &= E|\psi\rangle \\ \bar{H}|\bar{\psi}\rangle &= E|\bar{\psi}\rangle \\ |\bar{\psi}\rangle &= S^{-1}|\psi\rangle \\ \bar{H} &= S^{-1}HS \end{aligned}$$

Interestingly, the  $\mathbf{k}$ -space Hamiltonian of  $\bar{H}$  is the Qi-Wu-Zhang model [94]. Standing wave excitations are signatures of Open Boundary Conditions. For the OBCs

we take the transformations,  $\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{k}} + \mathbf{i}\tilde{\mathbf{k}}'$ , with  $\tilde{\mathbf{k}}' = (-\gamma_x, -\gamma_y)$ .

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}}) &= \sin(\tilde{k}_x)\sigma_x + \sin(\tilde{k}_y)\sigma_y \\ &\left[ m - t \cos(\tilde{k}_x) - t \cos(\tilde{k}_y) \right] \sigma_z \end{aligned} \quad (142)$$

The non-Bloch chern number of  $H(\mathbf{k})$  is simply the usual chern number of  $\tilde{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{k}})$ .

### Appendix A: Spin chain

$$\hat{H} = - \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \left[ \hat{b}_l^\dagger \hat{b}_{l+1} + \hat{b}_l \hat{b}_{l+1}^\dagger + \frac{\Delta}{2} (2\hat{n}_l - 1)(2\hat{n}_{l+1} - 1) \right], \quad (A1)$$

With  $(\hat{b}_l^\dagger)^2 = (\hat{b}_l)^2 = 0$ .

#### 1. Block Diagonalization

#### 2. Particle Number Conservation

$$H = H_0 \oplus H_1 \oplus \dots \oplus H_N \oplus \dots \oplus H_L \quad (A2)$$

#### 3. Translational Symmetry

$$\begin{bmatrix} |0011, k=0\rangle \\ |0101, k=0\rangle \\ |0011, k=1\rangle \\ |0011, k=3\rangle \\ |0101, k=2\rangle \\ |0011, k=2\rangle \end{bmatrix} = U \begin{bmatrix} |0011\rangle \\ |0101\rangle \\ |0110\rangle \\ |1001\rangle \\ |1010\rangle \\ |1100\rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (A3)$$

where,

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^{-1} & \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^{-3} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_0^{-2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(\omega_0^0 + \omega_0^{-2}) & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(\omega_0^{-1} + \omega_0^{-3}) & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}\omega_1^0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_1^{-1} & \frac{1}{2}\omega_1^{-3} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_1^{-2} \\ \frac{1}{2}\omega_3^0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_3^{-1} & \frac{1}{2}\omega_3^{-3} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_3^{-2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(\omega_2^0 + \omega_2^{-2}) & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(\omega_2^{-1} + \omega_2^{-3}) & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}\omega_2^0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_2^{-1} & \frac{1}{2}\omega_2^{-3} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\omega_2^{-2} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### 4. Unitary Transformation

$$UU^\dagger = \mathbf{1} \quad (A4)$$

$$UH_{N=2}U^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 2\Delta & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\Delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2\sqrt{2} \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 2\Delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\Delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$UHU^\dagger(U\psi) = \epsilon(U\psi) \quad (A5)$$

So, after finding the eigenvectors ( $U\psi$ ) in the transformed basis, we get back eigenvectors in the original basis by pre-multiplying ( $U\psi$ ) with  $U^\dagger$ .

#### 5. $\mathbf{k}=0$ block only

Now,

$$U_{k=0}H_{N=2}U_{k=0}^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2\sqrt{2} \\ -2\sqrt{2} & 2\Delta \end{bmatrix}$$

### Appendix B: Mapping problems in Lattice Models with QuTiP

Polariton spectrum of the Dicke-Ising model [14].

$$H_M = \sum_{n=1}^N \omega_0 \sigma_n^+ \sigma_n^- + J \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (\sigma_n^+ + \sigma_n^-) (\sigma_{n+1}^+ + \sigma_{n+1}^-) \quad (B1)$$

```

cells = 40
cell_num_site = 1
cell_site_dof = [2]
J = 2
omega0 = 2
H_cell_s = tensor(omega0 * sigmap() * sigmap(),
qeye(2))
7 inter_cell_T0 = J* sigmap() + J* sigmap() *
sigmap()
8 inter_cell_T_s = tensor(inter_cell_T0, qeye(2))
9 Spin_lattice = LatticeId(num_cell=cells,
boundary = "periodic", cell_num_site = 1,
cell_site_dof = [4], Hamiltonian_of_cell =
H_cell_s, inter_hop = inter_cell_T_s)

```

```
10 Spin_lattice.plot_dispersion()
```

Listing 30. Python example

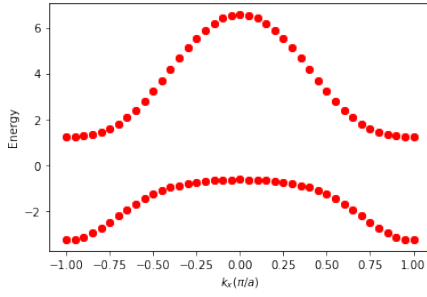


FIG. 8. Dispersion in the spin lattice model.

Alternately, the spectrum can be found from diagonalizing the Hamiltonian.

```
1 SHam = Spin_lattice.Hamiltonian()
2 Es = SHam.eigenenergies()
3 ind_1 = np.arange(0, 2*cells, 1, dtype=int)
4 fig, ax = plt.subplots()
5 ax.plot(ind_1, Es[0:2*cells] )
6 ax.plot(ind_1, Es[2*cells:4*cells] )
7 ax.set_ylabel('Eigenvalue')
8 ax.set_xlabel('Eigenvalue index')
9 plt.show(fig)
```

Listing 31. Python example

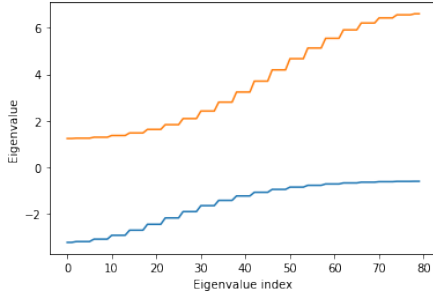


FIG. 9. Eigenvalues of the Hamiltonian of the spin lattice.

## 1. The Bose Approximation

$$H_M = \sum_{n=1}^N \omega_0 b_n^\dagger b_n + J \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (b_n^\dagger + b_n) (b_{n+1}^\dagger + b_{n+1}) \quad (\text{B2})$$

```
1 cells = 4
2 cell_num_site = 1
3 cell_site_dof = [2]
4 J = 2
5 omega0 = 2
```

```
6 N = cells # number of sites/modes
7 Np = 4 # bosonic hilbert space dimension
8 H_cell_b = omega0 * create(Np) * destroy(Np)
9 inter_cell_T_b = J * create(Np) * destroy(Np)
10 Bose_lattice = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells,
    boundary = "periodic", cell_num_site = 1,
    cell_site_dof = [Np], Hamiltonian_of_cell =
    H_cell_b, inter_hop = inter_cell_T_b )
11 Bose_lattice.plot_dispersion()
```

Listing 32. Python example

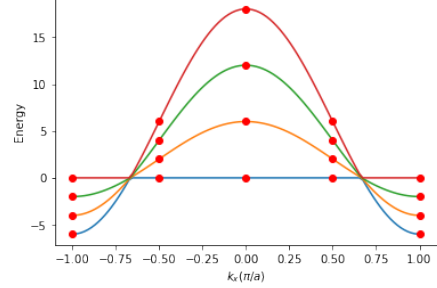


FIG. 10. Dispersion of the spin lattice model in the bose approximation.

## 2. The Jordan Wigner Transformation

The Jordan Wigner transformation,

$$\sigma_n^- = \Pi_{j < n} (1 - 2c_j^\dagger c_j) c_n$$

$$\sigma_n^+ = \Pi_{j < n} (1 - 2c_j^\dagger c_j) c_n^\dagger$$

yields the fermionic Hamiltonian,

$$H_F = \sum_{n=1}^N \omega_0 c_n^\dagger c_n + J \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (c_n^\dagger c_{n+1} - c_n c_{n+1}^\dagger) + J \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (c_n^\dagger c_{n+1}^\dagger - c_n c_{n+1}) \quad (\text{B3})$$

```
1 cells = 4
2 cell_num_site = 1
3 cell_site_dof = [2]
4 J = 2
5 omega0 = 2
6 H_cell_f = omega0/2 * (1+sigmaz())
7 inter_cell_T_f = J * sigmap() * sigmam() + J *
    sigmap()
8 Fermion_lattice = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells,
    boundary = "periodic", cell_num_site = 1,
    cell_site_dof = [2], Hamiltonian_of_cell =
    H_cell_f, inter_hop = inter_cell_T_f )
9 Fermion_lattice.plot_dispersion()
```

Listing 33. Python example

This model has analytical solution.

$$H_F = \sum_k E_{F,k} d_{F,k}^\dagger d_{F,k} + E_F^0 \quad (\text{B4})$$

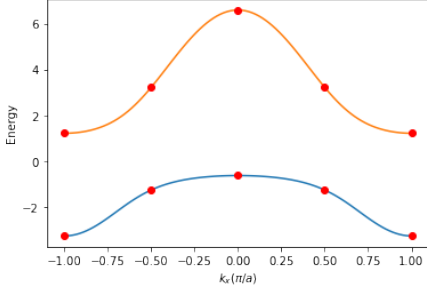


FIG. 11. Dispersion of the fermion lattice model in the Jordan Wigner approximation.

The  $d_{F,k}, d_{F,k}^\dagger$  operators follow the Fermionic anticommutation relationships.

$$\{d_{F,k}, d_{F,k}^\dagger\} = \delta_{k,k}, \quad \{d_{F,k}^\dagger, d_{F,k}^\dagger\} = \{d_{F,k}, d_{F,k}\} = 0$$

With  $k$  being the quasi-momentum in the range  $0 < k < \pi$ ,

$$E_{F,k} = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 + 4J^2 + 4J\omega_0 \cos k}, \quad (\text{B5})$$

with the ground state energy,

$$E_F^0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( N\omega_0 - \sum_k E_{F,k} \right) \quad (\text{B6})$$

### 3. The Holstein-Primakoff transformation

$$\sigma_n^+ = b_n^\dagger \sqrt{1 - b_n^\dagger b_n} = b_n^\dagger \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} b_n^\dagger b_n - \frac{1}{8} b_n^\dagger b_n b_n^\dagger b_n \right)$$

$$\sigma_n^- = \sqrt{1 - b_n^\dagger b_n} b_n = \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} b_n^\dagger b_n - \frac{1}{8} b_n^\dagger b_n b_n^\dagger b_n \right) b_n$$

$$H_M^{(0)} = \sum_{n=1}^N \omega_0 b_n^\dagger b_n + J \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (b_n^\dagger + b_n) (b_{n+1}^\dagger + b_{n+1})$$

$$H_M^{(1)} = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} b_n^\dagger \left\{ (b_n^\dagger + b_n) (b_{n-1}^\dagger + b_{n-1} + b_{n+1}^\dagger + b_{n+1}) \right\} \Big|_{\text{uP}} \Big|_{\text{L=4;}}$$

```

1 cells = 4
2 cell_num_site = 1
3 J = 2
4 omega0 = 2
5 N = cells # number of sites/modes
6 Np = 4 # bosonic hilbert space dimension
7 cell_site_dof = [Np]
8 H_cell_hp = omega0/2 * tensor(qeye(2), num(Np))
9 eta = tensor(sigmaz(), qeye(Np))
10 inter_cell_T_hp = J * tensor(sigmatp() * sigmam(),
    , num(Np)) + J * tensor(sigmatp(), num(Np))

```

```

11 hp_boson_lattice = LatticeId(num_cell=cells,
    boundary = "periodic", cell_num_site = 2,
    cell_site_dof = [Np], Hamiltonian_of_cell =
    H_cell_hp, inter_hop = inter_cell_T_hp )
12 hp_boson_lattice.plot_dispersion(bose_d=1)

```

Listing 34. Python example

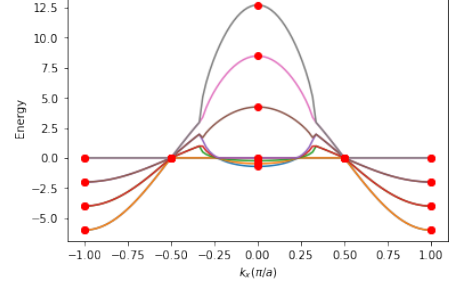


FIG. 12. Dispersion of the boson lattice model in the first order Holstein-Primakoff approximation.

### Appendix C: Bethe Ansatz example

For two electron wavefunctions, with one spin-down and one spin-up electrons, the Lieb-Wu equations are of the form [95],

$$e^{ik_j L} = \frac{\Lambda - \sin(k_j) - iu}{\Lambda - \sin(k_j) + iu}, \quad j = 1, 2$$

$$1 = \prod_{j=1}^2 \frac{\Lambda - \sin(k_j) - iu}{\Lambda - \sin(k_j) + iu} \quad (\text{C1})$$

$$\psi(x_1, x_2; \downarrow, \uparrow | k_1, k_2; \Lambda)$$

$$= \Theta_H(x_2 - x_1) \left[ \frac{2iue^{ik_1 x_1 + ik_2 x_2}}{\Lambda - \sin(k_1) + iu} - \frac{2iue^{ik_2 x_1 + ik_1 x_2}}{\Lambda - \sin(k_2) + iu} \right]$$

$$+ \Theta_H(x_1 - x_2) \left[ \frac{2iue^{ik_1 x_1 + ik_2 x_2}}{\Lambda - \sin(k_1) + iu} \cdot \frac{\Lambda - \sin(k_2) - iu}{\Lambda - \sin(k_2) + iu} \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{2iue^{ik_2 x_1 + ik_1 x_2}}{\Lambda - \sin(k_2) + iu} \cdot \frac{\Lambda - \sin(k_1) - iu}{\Lambda - \sin(k_1) + iu} \right] (\text{C2})$$

```

1 L= 4;
2 uP = 0.25;
3 k1,k2,lamda=sym.symbols('k1 k2 lamda')
4 fval0= exp(I * k1 * L)- (lamda - sin(k1) - I *
    uP)/(lamda - sin(k1) + I * uP)
5 fval1= exp(I * k2 * L)- (lamda - sin(k2) - I *
    uP)/(lamda - sin(k2) + I * uP)
6 fval2= 1 - (lamda - sin(k1) - I * uP)/(lamda -
    sin(k1) + I * uP) * (lamda - sin(k2) - I *
    uP)/(lamda - sin(k2) + I * uP)
7 fval_C=sym.Matrix([[fval0], [fval1], [fval2]])
8 jacb=sym.Matrix([[diff(fval0,k1),diff(fval0,k2),
    diff(fval0,lamda)],
9 [diff(fval1,k1),diff(fval1,k2),diff(fval1,
    lamda)],

```



```

10 [diff(fval2,k1),diff(fval2,k2),diff(fval2,
    lamda)]]
11 i_jacb = jacb.inv()
12 i_jacb_C = i_jacb * fval_C
13 ini_G = sym.Matrix([[2.668*pi/3],[1.8317*pi
    /3],[0.6004]]).evalf()
14 err_C = ini_G
15
16 Cols = ini_G
17 Cols_prv = ini_G
18 TotalIters = 200
19 tolerance = 1e-12
20 for i in range(TotalIters):
21     i_jacb_C_vals = i_jacb_C.subs([(k1, Cols[0])
    , (k2, Cols[1]), (lamda, Cols[2])])
22
23     Cols = Cols - i_jacb_C_vals.evalf()
24     err = np.abs(Cols-Cols_prv)/ np.abs(Cols_prv
    )
25     if np.mod(i,2) == 1:
26         print('i: ',i,' err: ',err)
27     if np.max(err) < tolerance:
28         break
29     Cols_prv = Cols
30
31 k1s = Cols[0]
32 k2s = Cols[1]
33 lamdas = Cols[2]
34
35 k1s=complex(k1s.evalf())
36 k2s=complex(k2s.evalf())
37 lamdas=complex(lamdas.evalf())

```

Listing 35. Python example

```

1 fermiHubbardLattice1d = Lattice1d_fermi_Hubbard(
    num_sites=L, boundary="periodic", t=1, U=1,
    V=0)
2 fillingUp = 1
3 fillingDown = 1
4 [Hamiltonian, basisStatesUp, basisStatesDown,
    normHubbardStates] = fermiHubbardLattice1d.
    Hamiltonian(fillingUp=fillingUp, fillingDown
    =fillingDown)
5
6 nbasisStatesUp = np.shape(basisStatesUp)[0]
7 nbasisStatesDown = np.shape(basisStatesDown)[0]
8
9 num21 = lamdas - np.sin(k2s) - 1j*uP
10 num22 = lamdas - np.sin(k1s) - 1j*uP
11 den1 = lamdas - np.sin(k1s) + 1j*uP
12 den2 = lamdas - np.sin(k2s) + 1j*uP
13 den12 = den1*den2
14
15 psi_r = np.zeros((nbasisStatesDown *
    nbasisStatesUp, 1), dtype=complex)
16 kx_o = np.zeros((nbasisStatesDown *
    nbasisStatesUp, 1), dtype=complex)
17 kx_c = np.zeros((nbasisStatesDown *
    nbasisStatesUp, 1), dtype=complex)
18
19 r = -1
20 for u in range(nbasisStatesUp):
21     #for u in range(1,2,1):
22     x2 = np.argwhere(basisStatesUp[u, :])
23     x2 = x2[0, 0]
24     # for d in range(0,1,1):
25     for d in range(nbasisStatesDown):
26         x1 = np.argwhere(basisStatesDown[d, :])
27         x1 = x1[0, 0]
28

```

```

29 # print(x1, x2)
30 r = r + 1
31 kx_o[r] = 1j*(k1s*x1+k2s*x2)
32 kx_c[r] = 1j*(k1s*x2+k2s*x1)
33
34 psi_r[r] = np.heaviside(x2-x1, 0.5)* 2j*
    uP*(np.exp(kx_o[r])/den1 - np.exp(kx_c[r])/
    den2)\
35 +np.heaviside(x1-x2,0.5)*2j*uP*(np.exp(kx_o[
    r])/den12*num21-np.exp(kx_c[r])/den12*num22)
36 print(psi_r[r])
37
38 psi = psi_r/np.sqrt(np.sum(np.multiply(psi_r, np
    .conj(psi_r))))

```

Listing 36. Python example

## Appendix D: Quantum Stochastic Differential Equations

Landau's Density operator equations was originally showed to obtain diffusion or Fokker Planck equations (equivalently Wiener processes) in [96–98].

We follow a few of the derivations from [3, 98] to obtain quantum state diffusion equations for NHH models. Quantum State Diffusion (QSD) is a special form of ‘unravelling’ in that the unitary equivalence of all QSD choices hold just like the master equation for the density matrix. In other words, unitary transformations of the Lindblad operators do not alter the physics of the master equation or the QSD stochastic equation. Other stochastic diffusion equations do not possess that property [99]. For the uniqueness condition of QSD, see [98, 99]. General theory of Quantum Stochastic Process(QSP) based on Quantum Stochastic Differential Equations(QSDE) was developed [100]. The stochasticity originates from the interaction with external fields modelled as ‘Markovian heat bath’s (quantum Wiener processes). QSDEs were quickly adopted for continuos quantum measurement descriptions [101].

## Appendix E: Quantum State Diffusion for a Lattice of particles

Drift-diffusion models (with an associated Fokker-Planck equation) or quantum state diffusion models were developed earliest in[96–98, 101]. Early work on QSD models on open system dynamics include [102, 103]. The differential form of the stochastic equation of motion for the state vector  $|\psi\rangle$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |d\psi\rangle = & -\frac{i}{\hbar}H|d\psi\rangle dt + \sum_m (2\langle L_m^\dagger \rangle_\psi L_m \\
 & - L_m^\dagger L_m - \langle L_m^\dagger \rangle_\psi \langle L_m \rangle_\psi) |\psi\rangle dt \\
 & + \sum_m (L_m - \langle L_m \rangle_\psi) |\psi\rangle d\xi_m,
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $\langle L_m \rangle_\psi = \langle \psi | L_m | \psi \rangle$  being the expectation value of  $L_m$  for the state  $|\psi\rangle$ . The last term on the right hand

side embody the fluctuations/diffusion of the state vector (the other terms represent the ‘drift’).  $d\xi_m$  are independent complex differential random variables embodying a complex normalized Wiener process,

$$M(\mathcal{R}e(d\xi_n)\mathcal{R}e(d\xi_m)) = M(\mathcal{I}m(d\xi_n)\mathcal{I}m(d\xi_m)) = \delta_{nm}dt$$

$$Md\xi_m = 0, \quad M(\mathcal{R}e(d\xi_n)\mathcal{I}m(d\xi_m)) = 0,$$

with  $M$  being the mean over the probability distribution.

From the treatment of state vectors as abstract mathematical quantities, QSD and quantum jump lend association with reality to quantum evolution in the method of QSPs. The stochastic reduction of the quantum state during the process of measurement is a process based in physical reality [98].

For interpretation of the QSD (as well as quantum jump approach), see [18, 20] In fact the stochastic generalization of the Schrödinger equation was showed to be have better prospects of compatibility with the theory of relativity [97].

#### Appendix F: Simulating Fermi-Hubbard model with two component hardcore Bose Hubbard model

[104] illustrates a Bose-Hubbard model for two species that can realize a number of curious phenomena that fermions manifest.

For a gas consisting of  $N$  bosonic atoms with two internal levels denoted by  $\uparrow, \downarrow$  in a one-dimensional optical lattice with  $M$  wells (filling factor of  $\nu = N/2M$ ), the Hamiltonian is [105]

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{j\sigma} + U \sum_{i,\sigma} a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{i\sigma} a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{i\sigma}$$

$$+ V \sum_i a_{i\uparrow}^\dagger a_{i\uparrow} a_{i\downarrow}^\dagger a_{i\downarrow} \quad (F1)$$

$a_{i\sigma}^\dagger (a_{i\sigma})$  creates(destroys) an atom on  $i$ -th lattice site with spin  $\sigma$ .  $t, U, V$  can be written in terms of measurable physical parameters. A notation is adopted for the states,

$$|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle = \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}_1, \uparrow}^\dagger \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}_2, \uparrow}^\dagger \dots \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{x}_{N_\uparrow}, \uparrow}^\dagger \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{y}_1, \downarrow}^\dagger \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{y}_2, \downarrow}^\dagger \dots \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{y}_{N_\downarrow}, \downarrow}^\dagger |\text{vac}\rangle, \quad (F2)$$

with  $N_\uparrow + N_\downarrow = N$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{N_\uparrow})$ , and  $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{N_\downarrow})$  denote, respectively, the site indices occupied by spin up and down particles. With the limit  $U \rightarrow \infty$ , we can facilitate  $x_i \neq x_j, y_i \neq y_j, \forall i \neq j$ . It is equivalent of dropping the  $U$  term altogether.

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} a_{i\sigma}^\dagger a_{j\sigma} + V \sum_i a_{i\uparrow}^\dagger a_{i\uparrow} a_{i\downarrow}^\dagger a_{i\downarrow} \quad (F3)$$

$$|\Psi_B\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} f_B(x, y) |\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle \quad (F4)$$

With the Jordan Wigner transformation,

$$a_{i\sigma}^\dagger = (-1)^{\sum_{j<i} (1-2c_{j\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma})} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger \quad (F5)$$

the bosonic Hamiltonian in eq. F3 is transformed exactly to a Fermi Hubbard model (eq. 36) with on-site interaction  $U=V$ .

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + U \sum_i c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i\uparrow} c_{i\downarrow}^\dagger c_{i\downarrow} \quad (F6)$$

The two Hamiltonians have the same eigen-spectrum and the eigenfunctions have the correspondence:

$$|\Psi_B\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} f_B(x, y) |\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi_F\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \mathbf{f}_F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_F$$

The coefficients are related by,

$$f_B(x, y) = \text{sgn}(x, y) f_F(x, y)$$

$$= \prod_{i<j} \text{sgn}(x_i - x_j) \text{sgn}(y_i - y_j) f_F(x, y)$$

$|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\rangle_F$  is defined in eq.35.

#### Appendix G: Spin-1/2 in a magnetic field

The quintessential example of nontrivial topology is the motion of spin-1/2 particle in a magnetic field.

```

1 N = 50
2 thetas = np.linspace(0, np.pi, N)
3 phis = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, N)
4 eigfs = np.zeros((N, N, 2, 2), dtype=complex)
5 for i in range(N):
6     for j in range(N):
7         # H = B.sigma, sigma is vector of Pauli
7         matrices
8         H = sigmax() * np.sin(thetas[i]) * np.
8         cos(phis[j]) + sigmay() * np.sin(thetas[i])
8         * np.sin(phis[j]) + np.cos(thetas[i]) *
8         sigmaz()
9         H = -H #Figure this out
9         please
10        _, eigfs = np.linalg.eigh(H)
11        eigfs=eigfs.T # the eigenvectors
11        need to be rows in eigfs
12        eigfs[i, j, :, :] = eigfs[:, :]
13 b_curv = berry_curvature(eigfs)
14 plot_berry_curvature(eigfs)
15 print('The Chern number is:')
16 print(b_curv.sum()/2/np.pi)

```

Listing 37. Building Hamiltonian for 2d lattice

The chern nuber of two filled bands is 0. Nonzero chern number can be found in the gap. The only gap is between the two bands. To calculate the chern numbers of 1 filled band, the number of *occupied band(max\_occ)* would be 1.

```

1 max_occ = 1
2 occ_bnds = np.zeros((N,N,max_occ,2), dtype=
2     complex)
3 for i in range(max_occ):
4     occ_bnds[:, :, i, :] = eigfs[:, :, i, :]
5 b_curv = berry_curvature(occ_bnds)
6 plot_berry_curvature(occ_bnds)
7 print('The Chern number is:')
8 print(b_curv.sum()/2/np.pi)

```

Listing 38. Building Hamiltonian for 2d lattice

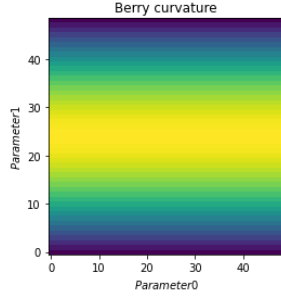


FIG. 13. Dispersion of a 2d rectangular tight binding lattice with nearest neighbour hopping only.

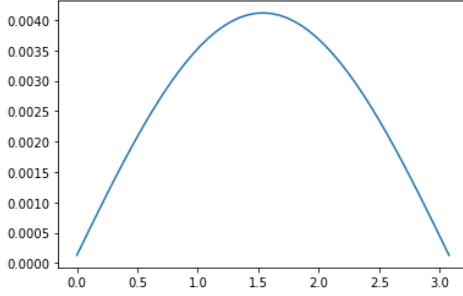


FIG. 14. Dispersion of a 2d rectangular tight binding lattice with nearest neighbour hopping only.

```
1 print('All columns of b_curv should be
   proportional to sin(\theta)')
2 sinn = b_curv[:,1]
3 fig, ax = subplots()
4 ax.plot(thetas[0:N-1], b_curv[:,5]);
5 show()
```

Listing 39. Building Hamiltonian for 2d lattice

For geometric phase in a dissipative two-level system see [106]

## Appendix H: Building two dimensional lattices

Two dimensional lattices are spanned by two Bravais lattice vectors and can be decomposed into separate lines/chains interconnected with links. The rectangular ('cubic') lattice is the simplest example. The Hamiltonian for a lattice in the single particle physics can be obtained very easily using tensor tools.

```
1 cells_x = 4
2 cells_y = 3
3 boundary_condition_x = "aperiodic"
4 boundary_condition_y = "periodic"
5 OneLayer = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells_x, boundary
   = boundary_condition_x) # Along x axis
6
7 Hamiltonian_layer = OneLayer.Hamiltonian()
8 MultiLayer = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells_y,
   boundary = boundary_condition_y)
9 Hamiltonian_allLayer = MultiLayer.Hamiltonian()
```

```
10 Hamiltonian_2dlattice = tensor(
   Hamiltonian_allLayer, qeye(cells_x)) +
   tensor(qeye(cells_y), Hamiltonian_layer)
```

Listing 40. Building Hamiltonian for 2d lattice

Two-dimensional dispersions can be computed with the aid of Lattice1d instances. If the hopping are confined to two orthogonal directions, it is easier to compute. But, for the general case of hopping in two or more non-orthogonal directions may also be taken care of, with the use of *get\_dispersion()* functions. The case of rectangular lattice with Next-Nearest-Neighbour (NNN) coupling (diagonally hopping in the rectangle) is given below.

```
1 t = 1
2 tp = 0.4
3 boundary_condition_x = "periodic"
4 cells_x = 30
5 cells_y = 30
6 kx_lattice = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells_x,
   boundary = boundary_condition_x)
7 H_k2s = np.array([[None for i in range(cells_x)]
   for j in range(cells_y)])
8 (knxA, qH_ks, val_kns, vec_kns, vec_xs) =
   kx_lattice._k_space_calculations()
9 for ky in range(cells_y):
10     boundary_condition_y = "periodic"
11     site_dof = [1]
12     ky_lattice = Lattice1d(num_cell=cells_y,
   boundary = boundary_condition_y,
   cell_num_site = 1, cell_site_dof = site_dof,
   Hamiltonian_of_cell = qH_ks[ky], inter_hop
   = Qobj([[-1]]))
13     (knyA, qH_k2s, val_kns, vec_kns, vec_xs) =
   ky_lattice._k_space_calculations()
14     H_k2s[ky] = qH_k2s
15
16 Hk = np.zeros((cells_x, cells_y), dtype=complex)
17 Hk_N = np.zeros((cells_x, cells_y), dtype=
   complex)
18
19 for kx in range(cells_x):
20     for ky in range(cells_y):
21         Hk[kx, ky] = H_k2s[kx][ky].full()
22
23 fig, ax = plt.subplots(subplot_kw={"projection":
   "3d"})
24 X, Y = np.meshgrid(knxA, knyA)
25 surf = ax.plot_surface(X, Y, -t*np.real(Hk),
   cmap=cm.coolwarm,
26     linewidth=0, antialiased=
   False)
27
28 ax.set_zlim(-4, 4)
29 ax.zaxis.set_major_locator(LinearLocator(4))
30 fig.colorbar(surf, shrink=0.5, aspect=5)
31 ax.view_init(-15, 30)
32 plt.show()
33
34 X, Y = np.meshgrid(knxA, knyA)
35 kpxA = X + Y
36 kpyA = X - Y
37
38 for ikx in range(cells_x):
39     for iky in range(cells_y):
40         kx = knxA[ikx]
41         ky = knyA[iky]
42
43     DLT = np.argwhere(kpxA == kx)
```

```

44     iArg1 = DLT[:, 0]
45     DLT = np.argwhere(kpyA == ky)
46     iArg2 = DLT[:, 0]
47     if np.size(np.intersect1d(iArg1, iArg2))
48     :
49         AtR = np.intersect1d(iArg1, iArg2)
50         a = np.abs(kpxA - kx) + np.abs(kpyA - ky
51     )
52     indx = np.unravel_index(np.argmin(a,
53     axis=None), a.shape)
54     print("(ikx,iky): ",ikx," ",iky)
55     print(" ")
56     Hk_N[iKx, iKy] = Hk[indx[0], indx[1]]
57
58 H_kC = -t * Hk + tp * Hk_N
59
60 fig, ax = plt.subplots(subplot_kw={"projection":
61     "3d"})
62 # Plot the surface.
63 surf = ax.plot_surface(X, Y, np.real(H_kC), cmap
64     =cm.coolwarm,
65     linewidth=0, antialiased=
66     False)
67 ax.set_zlim(-4, 4)
68 ax.zaxis.set_major_locator(LinearLocator(4))
69 #ax.zaxis.set_major_formatter('{x:.02f}')
70
71 # Add a color bar which maps values to colors.
72 fig.colorbar(surf, shrink=0.5, aspect=5)
73 ax.view_init(-15, 30)
74 plt.show()

```

Listing 41. Dispersion relationships 2d lattice

Alternatively each layer may be considered a site of the LatticeId() instance.

```

1 site_dof = [cells_x]
2 MultiLayered = LatticeId(num_cell=cells_y,
    boundary = boundary_condition_y,
    cell_num_site = 1, cell_site_dof = site_dof,
    Hamiltonian_of_cell = Hamiltonian_layer,
    inter_hop = -t*qeye(cells_x))

```

```
3 Hamiltonian_2d = MultiLayered.Hamiltonian()
```

Listing 42. Building Hamiltonian for 2d lattice sitewise

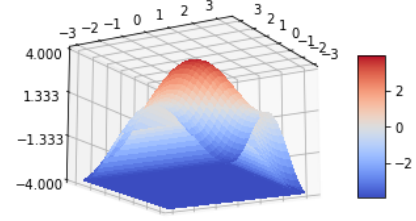


FIG. 15. Dispersion of a 2d rectangular tight binding lattice with nearest neighbour hopping only.

Although, for cases like these writing the dispersion out by hand might be an easier way.

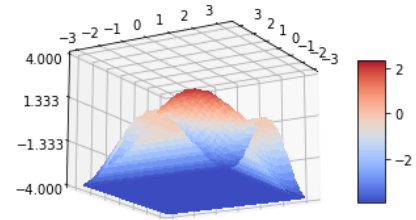


FIG. 16. Dispersion of a 2d rectangular tight binding lattice with nearest neighbour hopping of (-1) as well as next nearest neighbour hopping of 0.4.

## Appendix I: Exploiting additional symmetry

$k=0$  commutes with reflection 4.1.4 of [107]

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