QUANTUM FISHER INFORMATION AND TOPOLOGICAL PHASES



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We study the quantum Fisher information in one-dimensional models as a tool for measuring the multipartite entanglement, which can give valuable information about the existence of topological phases. We show that the scaling of quantum Fisher information of strictly non-local observables can be used for characterizing the phase diagrams and, in particular, for detecting topological phases.

MULTIPARTITE ENTANGLEMENT

Pure state $|\psi\rangle$ of a quantum system with N parts

n-separability

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$$|\psi\rangle = |\phi_1\rangle \otimes |\phi_2\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\phi_n\rangle$$
, $n \leq N$ factorizable in n terms $|\phi_i\rangle$

k-party entanglement

$$|\psi\rangle = |\phi_1\rangle \otimes |\phi_2\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\phi_m\rangle$$
, $m \geq N/k$ each term $|\phi_i\rangle$ involves at most k elements

genuine k-party entanglement

if $|\psi\rangle$ is not producible by (k-1)-party entanglement

QUANTUM FISHER INFORMATION

PHASE ESTIMATION

$$\rho \to \rho(\theta) = e^{-i\theta \hat{H}} \rho e^{i\theta \hat{H}}$$

Angle θ to be estimated with m measurements and operators $\{E_{\mu}\}$

Quantum Cramér-Rao bound

$$(\Delta \theta)^2 \ge \frac{1}{mF[\rho(\theta), \{\hat{E}_{\mu}\}]} \ge \frac{1}{mF_Q[\rho, \hat{H}]}$$

Fisher information

$$F[\rho(\theta), \{\hat{E}_{\mu}\}] = \sum_{\mu} \frac{[\partial_{\theta} P(\mu|\theta)]^2}{P(\mu|\theta)}, \quad P(\mu|\theta) = \text{Tr}[\rho(\theta)\hat{E}_{\mu}]$$

 $P(\mu|\theta)$ probabilities of a measure with value μ given θ

Quantum Fisher information

$$F_{\mathcal{Q}}[\rho, \hat{H}] = \max_{\{\hat{E}_{\mu}\}} F[\rho(\theta), \{\hat{E}_{\mu}\}]$$

For pure states: $F_Q[|\psi\rangle, \hat{H}] = 4(\Delta \hat{H})^2 = 4(\langle \hat{H}^2\rangle_{\psi} - \langle \hat{H}\rangle_{\psi}^2)$

ENTANGLEMENT CRITERION

Input state with k-party entanglement ρ_{k-ent}

QFI Criterion

$$f_Q[\rho_{\text{k-ent}}, \hat{H}_{\text{lin}}] \le k$$
 where $\hat{H}_{\text{lin}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_j \vec{n}_j \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j$

QFI density

fully separable

maximally entangled

 $f_Q = F_Q/N$

 $f_Q[\rho_{\mathsf{sep}}, H_{\mathsf{lin}}] \le 1$

 $f_Q[\rho_{\mathsf{max}}, \hat{H}_{\mathsf{lin}}] \leq N$

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LONG-RANGE KITAEV CHAIN

one-dimensional p-wave superconductor

$$H = \sum_{j} \left[-tc_{j}^{\dagger}c_{j+1} - \mu \left(c_{j}^{\dagger}c_{j} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\Delta}{2} \sum_{r} \frac{1}{r^{\alpha}} c_{j}^{\dagger}c_{j+r} + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

critical

Majorana sector $\alpha = 2$

massless edge state

topological

unpaired

Majorana

trivial

superconducting long-range coupling $\sim 1/r^{\alpha}$

Jordan-Wigner transformation

$$\sigma_i^+ = c_i^{\dagger} e^{i\pi \sum_{i < j} c_i^{\dagger} c_i} \quad \sigma_i^- = e^{i\pi \sum_{i < j} c_i^{\dagger} c_i} c_j$$

topol. massless

topol. massive

critical

-2

Dirac sector $\alpha = 0.7$

topological

massive edge state

trivial

Dirac

fermion

Majorana

trivial

non-local operators

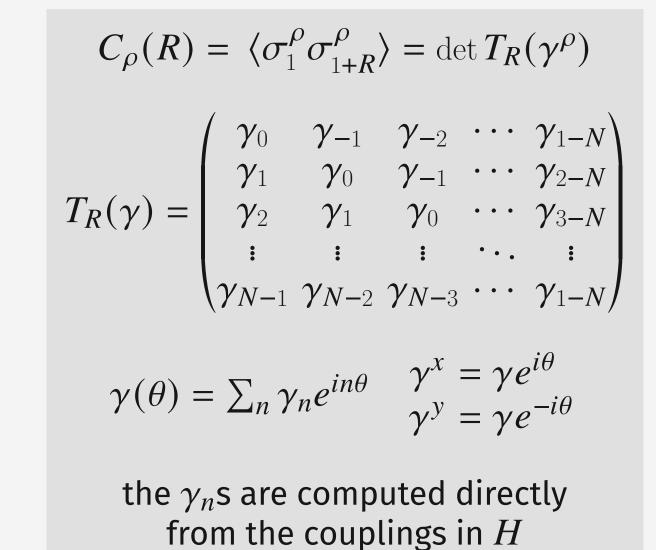
 $\alpha = 1$

QFI from correlators

$$\hat{H}_{\rho} = \sum_{j} \sigma_{j}^{\rho}, \quad \rho = x, y$$

$$f_{Q}[|gs\rangle, \hat{H}_{\rho}] \sim \sum_{r=1}^{L} C_{\rho}(r)$$

Correlators from Toeplitz determinants



Analytical results from Toeplitz determinants

The scaling of f_Q depends only on the topological properties of the function $\gamma(\theta)$.

topological massless $f_Q \sim L$ topological massive $f_Q \sim L^{3/4}$ critical trivial $\alpha < 1$ trivial $\alpha > 1$ $f_Q \sim {\sf const}$ Reproduces the numerical results from [Pezzè 2017]

 $f_Q \sim L^{0.44}$

10 15 20 25 30 35

chain size

BILINEAR-BIQUADRATIC CHAIN

Spin-1 chain

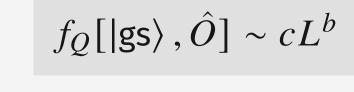
$$H = J \sum_{i} \left[S_i \cdot S_{i+1} - \beta (S_i \cdot S_{i+1})^2 \right] = J' \sum_{i} \left[\cos \theta S_i \cdot S_{i+1} - \sin \theta (S_i \cdot S_{i+1})^2 \right]$$

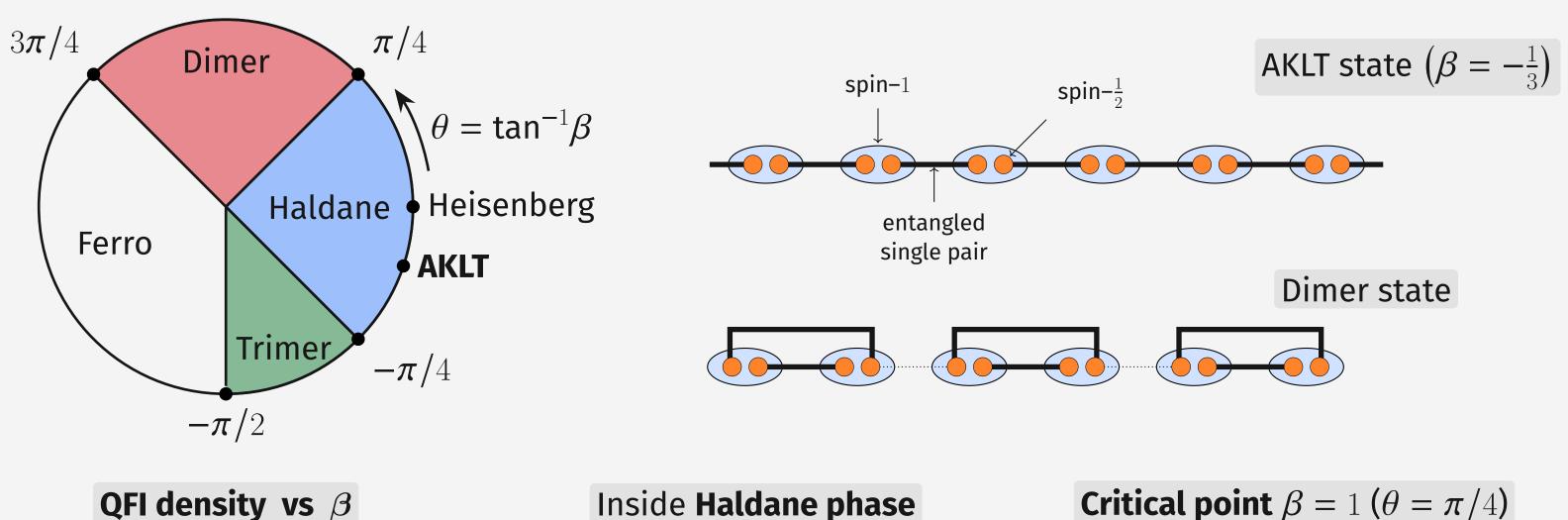
most general SU(2)-invariant isotropic spin-1 Hamiltonian

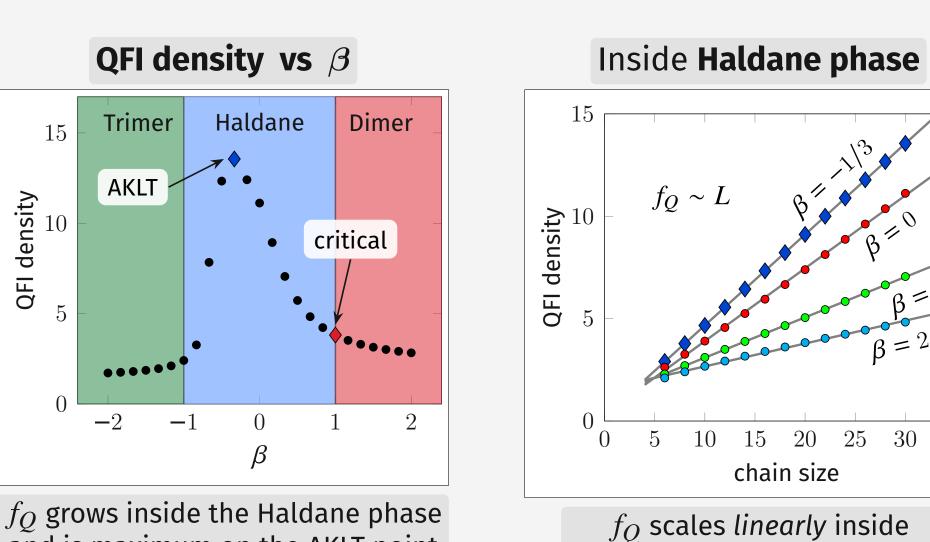
String order parameter

$$\widetilde{S}_{j}^{z} = \left(e^{i\pi\sum_{i< j}S_{i}^{z}}\right)S_{j}^{z}, \quad \hat{O} = \sum_{j}\widetilde{S}_{j}^{z}$$

QFI density







and is maximum on the AKLT point

 f_Q scales with a power-law for a quantum phase transition point 15 20 25 30 35

the Haldane topological phase