

# Entanglement transitions in integrable non-Hermitian Floquet systems

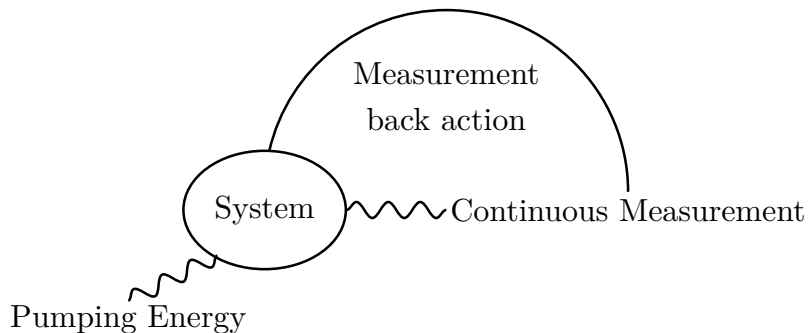
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Quantum Trajectories  
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## Physical Setup

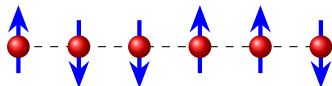


Result → *non-unitary* evolution for the system fields

One Possible description: Effective non-Hermitian Hamiltonian

More General: Open Quantum System, Lindblad Master Equation

# Model Hamiltonian - 1D Quantum TFIM (complex field)



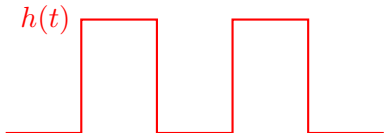
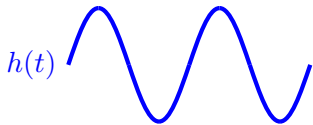
$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Ising}} = -J \left( \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \hat{\sigma}_i^x \hat{\sigma}_j^x + (h + i\gamma) \sum_j \hat{\sigma}_j^z \right)$$

[X.Turkeshi, M.Schiro \(PRB 2023\)](#)

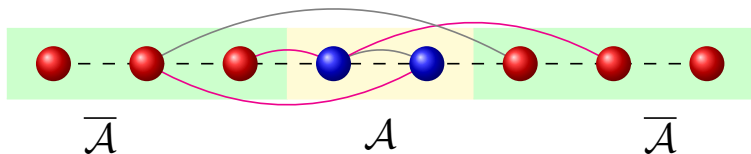
[T.E.Lee, C.K.Chan \(PRX 2014\)](#)

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Ising}}(t) = -J \left( \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \hat{\sigma}_i^x \hat{\sigma}_j^x + (h(t) + i\gamma) \sum_j \hat{\sigma}_j^z \right)$$

[Phys. Rev. B 109, 094306](#)



# Bipartite (von-Neumann) Entanglement Entropy



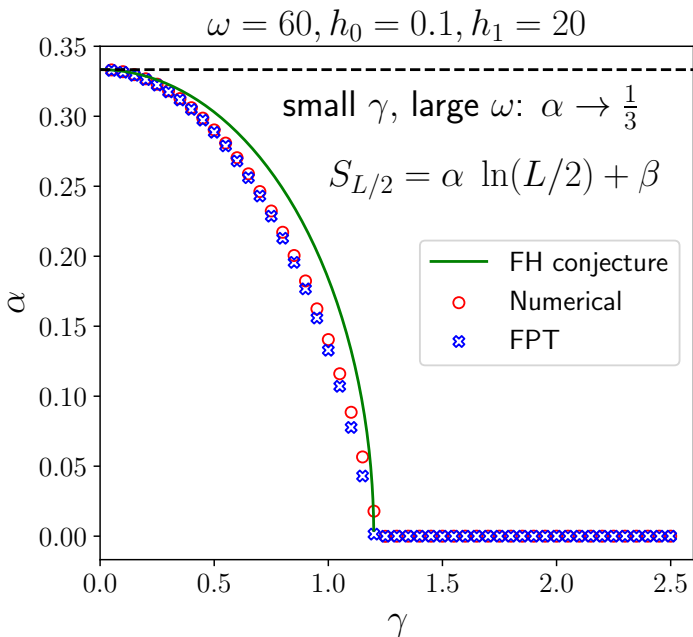
$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\bar{A}}$$

$$S_{A,\bar{A}}^{\text{vN}} = -\text{Tr}(\rho_A \ln \rho_A) \quad \rho_A = \text{Tr}_{\bar{A}}(|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|)$$

**Generally:** Need to diagonalize  $\rho_A$  ( $2^\ell \times 2^\ell$ ) matrix numerically

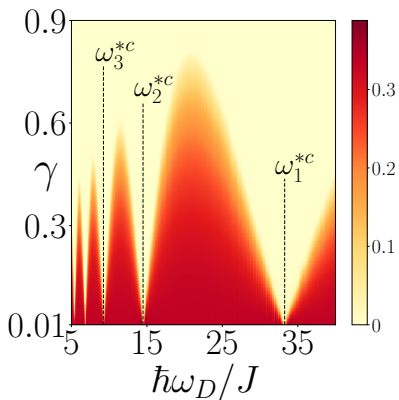
Integrable Systems: Special tools exist to find spectrum of  $\rho_A$

## Area law to Logarithmic scaling transition

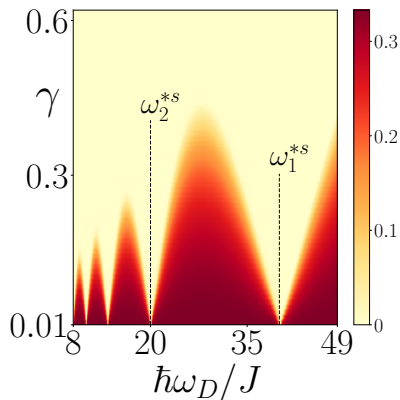


# Entanglement “phase diagram”

$$\mathcal{S}_{L/2} = \alpha \log(\ell) + \beta$$



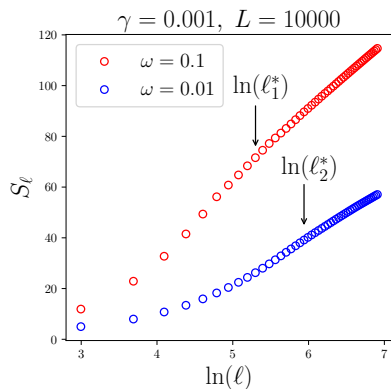
Cosine wave protocol



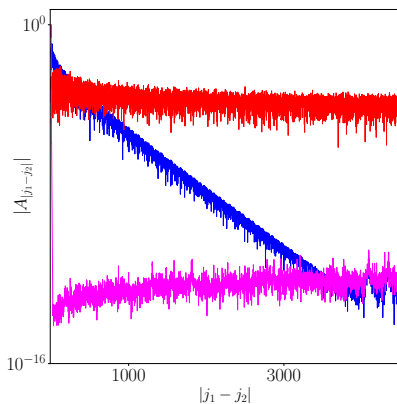
Square wave protocol

# Volume Law in "small" subsystem size—Low frequency, Low measurement rate feature

$$\omega_D = 9, \omega_D = 1, \omega_D = 0.1$$



Entanglement "crossover"



Effective Long-range System

$$J_{ij} \sim \frac{J_0}{|i-j|^\alpha}$$

## Dynamical signatures see [Phys. Rev. B 107, 15517 (2023)]

Continuous drive protocol:  $h(t) = h_0 + h_1 \cos(\omega_D t)$

$\omega_D =$  Drive frequency,  $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_D}$  Time period

Initial state:  $|\Psi(t=0)\rangle$

$$h(t+T) = h(t)$$

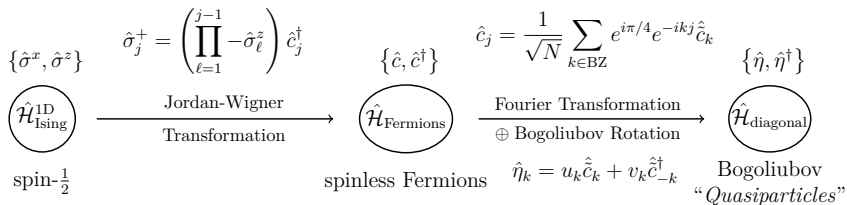
Application of Floquet theory

Time evolution operator  $\hat{U}(T, 0) = \mathcal{T} \left( \exp \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^T \mathcal{H}(t') dt' \right] \right)$

$$|\Psi(nT)\rangle = \hat{U}(nT, 0)|\Psi(t=0)\rangle \longrightarrow |\tilde{\Psi}(nT)\rangle = \frac{\hat{U}(nT, 0)|\Psi(t=0)\rangle}{\left\| \hat{U}(nT, 0)|\Psi(t=0)\rangle \right\|}$$



# Exact Evolution Operator see [SciPost Phys. Lect. Notes 82 (2024)]



$$\psi_k = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_k & \hat{c}_{-k}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}^T, \quad \hat{H} = 2 \sum_{k \in \text{BZ}/2} \psi_k^\dagger \hat{h}_k \psi_k$$

$$h_k = \tau_z (h(t) - \cos k - i\gamma/2) + (\tau^+ \sin k + \text{h.c.})$$

$$\hat{U}(T, 0) = \prod_k \hat{U}_k(T, 0) = \prod_{k>0} \exp \left( -\frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{\mathcal{H}}_k^{\text{F}} T \right)$$

Note: All momentum modes are decoupled

# Floquet Perturbation Theory (FPT)

FPT Regime

$$\begin{aligned}g(t) &= g_0 + g_1 \cos(\omega_D t) \\ &= 2h_0 + 2h_1 \cos(\omega_D t)\end{aligned}$$

$$g_1 \gg g_0, |\Delta_k|, |a_{3k}|$$

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} = \underbrace{g_1 \cos(\omega_D t) \tau_3}_{\hat{H}_{0k}} + \underbrace{(g_0 - 2 \cos(k) + i\gamma) \tau_3 + 2 \sin(k) \tau_1}_{\hat{H}_{1k}(\text{perturbative part})}$$

0<sup>th</sup> order:  $U_{0k}(t, 0) = \exp\left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t H_{0k} dt'\right) = \exp\left(-i\tau_3 \frac{g_1 \sin \omega_D t}{\hbar \omega_D}\right)$

Time-dependent perturbation theory in Interaction picture:

$$\hat{U}_I(t, 0) = \hat{1} - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt' \hat{V}_I(t') + \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar}\right)^2 \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' \hat{V}_I(t') \hat{V}_I(t'') + \dots$$

## Floquet Hamiltonian - 1st order (Emergent Conservation Law)

$$\hat{V}_I(t', 0) = \hat{U}_0^\dagger(t', 0) \hat{\mathcal{H}}_1 \hat{U}_0(t', 0) \qquad \hat{U}(t, 0) = \hat{U}_0(t, 0) \hat{U}_I(t, 0)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{Fk} = \frac{i\hbar}{T} \left[ \hat{U}_{I,k}^{(1)}(T, 0) + \left( \hat{U}_{I,k}^{(2)}(T, 0) - \frac{1}{2} (\hat{U}_{I,k}^{(1)}(T, 0))^2 \right) + \dots \right]$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{Fk}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_k + i\gamma & \Delta_k \mathcal{J}_0\left(\frac{2g_1}{\omega_D}\right) \\ \Delta_k \mathcal{J}_0\left(\frac{2g_1}{\omega_D}\right) & -(\alpha_k + i\gamma) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{At special frequencies } \omega_D = \omega_m^*$$

$$\mathcal{J}_0\left(\frac{2g_1}{\omega_m^*}\right) = 0 \rightarrow [\mathcal{H}_{Fk}^{(1)}, \hat{\tau}_3] = 0$$

$$\alpha_k = g_0 - 2 \cos(k)$$

$$\Delta_k = 2 \sin(k)$$

$\hat{\tau}_3$  is a conserved quantity at  $\omega_m^*$

## Floquet Hamiltonian - 2nd order (**Approximate Emergent Conservation Law**)

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{Fk}^{(2)} = \left( \alpha_k - 2\Delta_k^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathcal{J}_0\left(\frac{2g_1}{\hbar\omega_D}\right) \mathcal{J}_{2n+1}\left(\frac{2g_1}{\hbar\omega_D}\right)}{(n+1/2)\hbar\omega_D} + i\gamma \right) \hat{\tau}_3$$

$$+ \left( \mathcal{J}_0\left(\frac{2g_1}{\hbar\omega_D}\right) + 2\alpha_k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathcal{J}_{2n+1}\left(\frac{2g_1}{\hbar\omega_D}\right)}{(n+1/2)\hbar\omega_D} \right) \hat{\tau}_1 = S_{1k} \hat{\tau}_1 + S_{2k} \hat{\tau}_3$$

At  $\omega_D = \omega_m^*$   $[\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{Fk}^{(2)}, \hat{\tau}_3] \approx 0 \rightarrow \hat{\tau}_3$  approximately conserved

Steady State

$$|\psi_{\text{steady}}^k\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} u_{\text{steady}}^k \\ v_{\text{steady}}^k \end{pmatrix}, \quad C^2 = |u_{\text{steady}}^k|^2 + |v_{\text{steady}}^k|^2$$

$$\text{with } u_{\text{steady}}^k = \frac{\text{sign}(\Gamma_k) E_k + S_{1k}}{C}, \quad v_{\text{steady}}^k = \frac{S_{2k}}{C}, \quad \text{sign}(\Gamma_k) = \frac{\Gamma_k}{|\Gamma_k|}$$

# Steady State Entanglement

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{xk}^{\text{steady}} &= \langle \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_{-k}^\dagger + \text{h.c.} \rangle & \Pi_{zk}^{\text{steady}} &= \langle \hat{c}_{-k} \hat{c}_k - \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_{-k}^\dagger \rangle & \Pi_{yk}^{\text{steady}} &= \langle 2\hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k - 1 \rangle \\ &= 2\text{Re}(u_k^*(nT)v_k(nT)) & &= 2\text{Im}(u_k^*(nT)v_k(nT)) & &= |v_k|^2 - |u_k|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Generator/Symbol} \quad \Pi_\ell = \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} \frac{dk}{2\pi} e^{-ik\ell} \underbrace{\hat{\Pi}_{\text{steady}}(k) \cdot \hat{\sigma}_k}_{\hat{\Pi}_{\text{steady}}(k)}$$

$$\text{Block Toeplitz Matrix} \quad \Gamma^\ell = \begin{pmatrix} \Pi_0 & \Pi_{-1} & \dots & \Pi_{1-\ell} \\ \Pi_1 & \Pi_0 & \dots & \Pi_{2-\ell} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \Pi_{\ell-1} & \Pi_{\ell-2} & \dots & \Pi_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_\ell = -\text{Tr} \left( \frac{\mathbb{I}_\ell - \Gamma_\ell}{2} \ln \frac{\mathbb{I}_\ell - \Gamma_\ell}{2} \right), \quad \text{spec}(\Gamma_\ell) = \{\nu_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, \ell\}$$

$$\text{spec}(\rho_\ell) \rightarrow \lambda_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_\ell} = \prod_{j=1}^{\ell} \frac{1 + (-1)^{x_j} \nu_j}{2}, \quad x_j = 0, 1 \quad \forall j$$

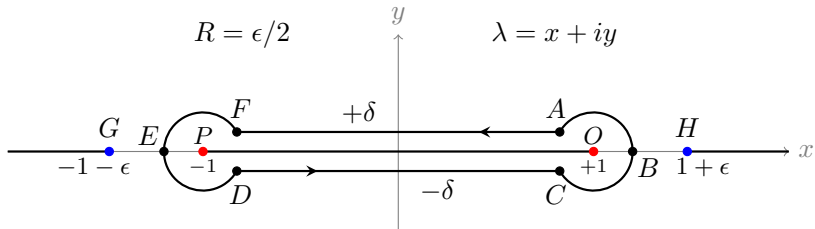
The bipartite (von-Neumann) entanglement entropy of a sub-system of size  $\ell$  with an infinite chain then given by

$$\mathcal{S}_t(\ell) = - \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} \left( \frac{1 - \nu_m}{2} \right) \ln \left( \frac{1 - \nu_m}{2} \right) - \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} \left( \frac{1 + \nu_m}{2} \right) \ln \left( \frac{1 + \nu_m}{2} \right)$$

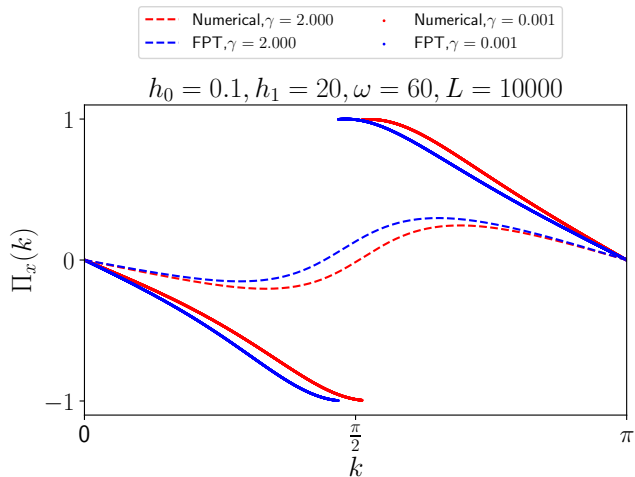
Using Cauchy's Residue Theorem

$$\mathcal{S}_t(\ell) = \frac{1}{4\pi i} \oint_C d\lambda e(1, \lambda) \frac{d}{d\lambda} \ln [\det (\mathcal{D}_\ell(\lambda))]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_\ell(\lambda) &:= \lambda \mathbb{I}_{2\ell \times 2\ell} - \Gamma_\ell \\ \mathcal{A}(k) &:= \lambda \mathbb{I}_{2\ell \times 2\ell} - \tilde{\Pi}_{\text{steady}}(k) \end{aligned} \quad e(1, \lambda) \equiv -\frac{1 + \lambda}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \lambda}{2} - \frac{1 - \lambda}{2} \ln \frac{1 - \lambda}{2}$$



# Generator structure

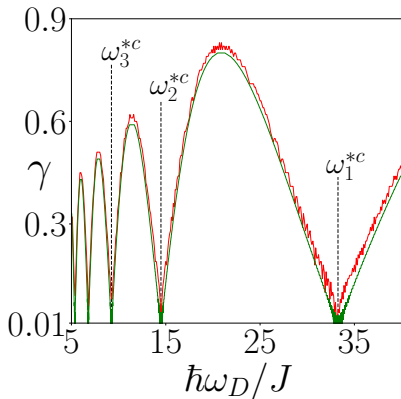


$\mathcal{S} = \alpha \log(\ell) + \beta$   
Singular Generator  $\rightarrow$   
Logarithmic Scaling

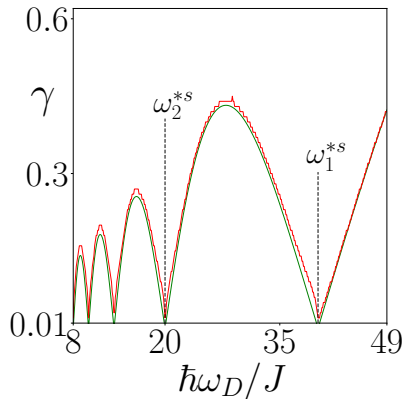
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Smooth Generator  $\rightarrow$  Area Law

# Entanglement “phase diagram”

Analytical vs Numerical Phase Boundary



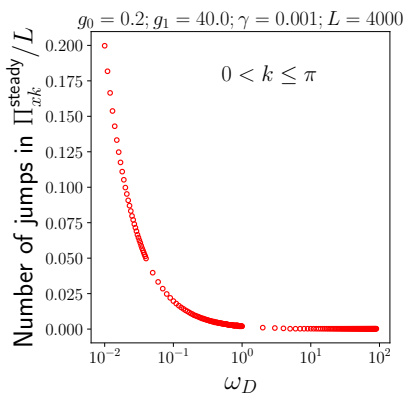
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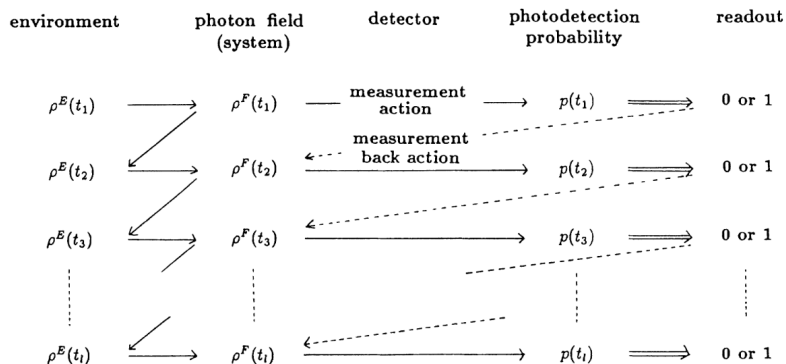
# Open questions and future directions



- Late time entanglement properties depend crucially on the structure of 2 point correlation function
- Entanglement scaling transition from logarithmic to area law (intermediate frequency regime – Application of Szegő-Widom Strong Limit theorem)
- Finite subsystem size effect – appearance of volume law in the small frequency regime low measurement rate limit.

Thank you for your attention!!

# Physical Setup



Masahito Ueda Phys. Rev. A **41**, 3875 (1990)

## Dynamical signatures see [Phys. Rev. B 107, 15517 (2023)]

As this is a 2-level system in each momentum mode

$$\hat{U}_k(T, 0) = \mathbf{exp} \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \epsilon_{Fk}^{(1)} T \right] |1\rangle\langle 1| + \mathbf{exp} \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \epsilon_{Fk}^{(2)} T \right] |2\rangle\langle 2|$$

$\epsilon_{Fk}^{(1)}, \epsilon_{Fk}^{(2)} \rightarrow$  Eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{H}_k^F$  (Complex)

$|1\rangle, |2\rangle \rightarrow$  Eigenstates of  $\mathcal{H}_k^F$  corresponding to  $\epsilon_{Fk}^{(1)}, \epsilon_{Fk}^{(2)}$

$$|\Psi_k(nT, 0)\rangle = \mathbf{exp} \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \epsilon_{Fk}^{(1)} nT \right] |1\rangle\langle 1| \Psi(0)\rangle + \mathbf{exp} \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \epsilon_{Fk}^{(2)} nT \right] |2\rangle\langle 2| \Psi(0)\rangle$$

All measurements are done at these stroboscopic times  $t = nT$

$$\langle \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_k \rangle$$

Decays to a steady  
value

$$\langle \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_{-k}^\dagger + h.c. \rangle$$

Keeps on oscillating

We can use FPT in the  
intermediate frequency  
regime with

$$|h_1| \gg |h_0|, \Delta_k, a_3(\vec{k})$$

## An example 2 qubit system

$$\mathcal{H} = \{|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle\}, \quad \mathcal{A} = \text{qubit-1}, \quad \bar{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \text{qubit-2}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

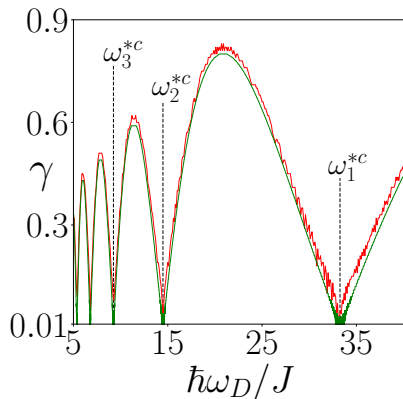
$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\mathcal{A}} &= \text{Tr}_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}} (|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \bar{\mathcal{A}}\langle\downarrow| (|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle) (|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle) |\downarrow\rangle_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \times \bar{\mathcal{A}}\langle\uparrow| (|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle) (|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle) |\uparrow\rangle_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (|\downarrow\rangle_{\mathcal{A}}\langle\downarrow| + |\uparrow\rangle_{\mathcal{A}}\langle\uparrow|) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{A},\bar{\mathcal{A}}} = -\text{Tr}(\rho_{\mathcal{A}} \ln \rho_{\mathcal{A}}) = \ln 2$$

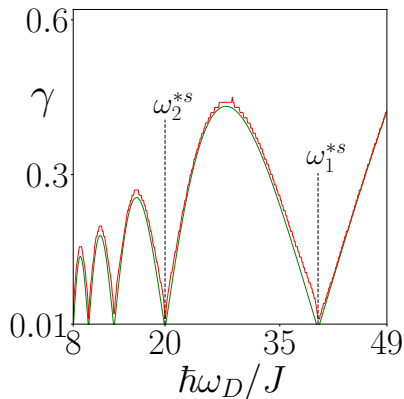
# Main Result-2: Entanglement “phase diagram”

Analytical vs Numerical Phase Boundary

$$\mathcal{S} = \alpha \ln \ell + \beta$$

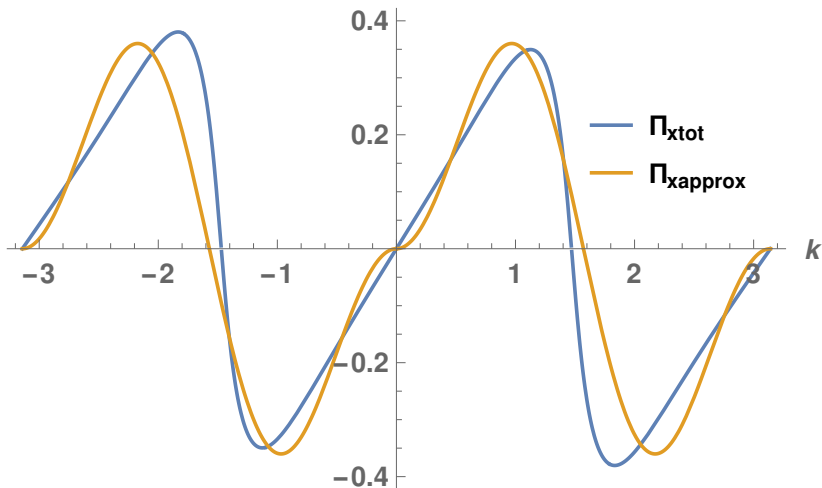


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## Smooth Generator and absence of volume law



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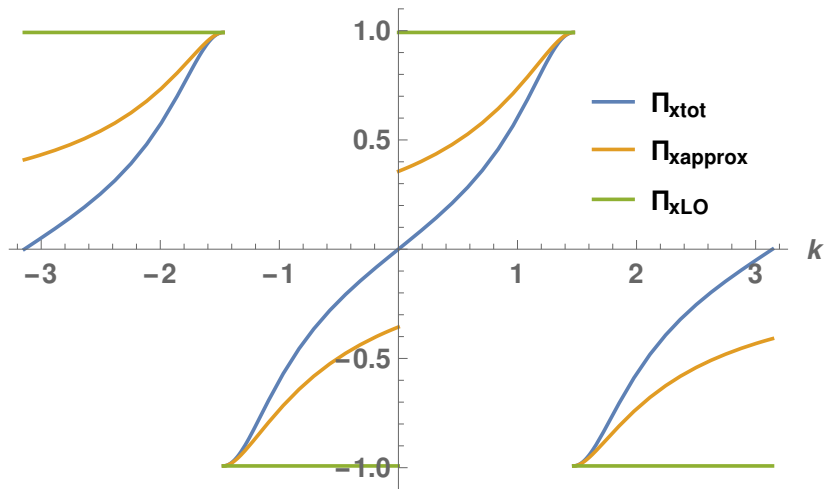
# Szegő-Widom Strong Limit Theorem - Steady State

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{S}_{\text{steady}}(\ell) &\cong \frac{\ell}{8\pi^2 i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} d\lambda e(1, \lambda) \int_0^{2\pi} dk \frac{d}{d\lambda} \ln [\det(\mathcal{A}(k))] + \mathcal{O}(\ln(\ell)) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{\ell}{4\pi i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}} d\lambda \left[ \frac{e(1, \lambda)}{\lambda - 1} + \frac{e(1, \lambda)}{\lambda + 1} \right]}_{\text{Volume Law Scaling}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(\ln(\ell))}_{\text{Logarithmic Scaling}} + \text{const.}\end{aligned}$$

$$\det(\mathcal{A}(k)) = \det(\lambda \mathbb{I} - \tilde{\Pi}(k)) = \lambda^2 - 1$$



# Singular generator



$$\mathcal{S} = \alpha \ln \ell + \beta$$

Singular Generator  $\rightarrow$  [Logarithmic Law](#)

## Analytical estimate of coefficient of $\ln \ell$

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{\text{steady}}^{(1)}(k) = \frac{k - k^*}{|k - k^*|} \frac{\sqrt{(g_0^p)^2 Y^2 - \gamma^2}}{g_0^p Y} \sigma^x + \frac{\gamma}{g_0^p Y} \sigma^z = \Pi_{xk}^{\text{steady}} \sigma^x + \Pi_{zk}^{\text{steady}} \sigma^z$$

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{\text{steady}}^{(2)}(k) = \frac{k + k^*}{|k + k^*|} \frac{\sqrt{(g_0^p)^2 Y^2 - \gamma^2}}{g_0^p Y} \sigma^x - \frac{\gamma}{g_0^p Y} \sigma^z = \Pi_{xk}^{\text{steady}} \sigma^x + \Pi_{zk}^{\text{steady}} \sigma^z$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Pi}_{\text{steady}}^k \Big|_{|g_0^p Y| \gg \gamma} &= \frac{k - k^*}{|k - k^*|} \operatorname{sgn}(g_0^p Y) \sigma^x & 0 < k < \pi \\ &= \frac{k + k^*}{|k + k^*|} \operatorname{sgn}(g_0^p Y) \sigma^x & -\pi < k < 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Gamma_{2\ell \times 2\ell} = B_{\ell \times \ell} \otimes \sigma^x, \quad g_0^p = \sqrt{4 - h_0^2}, \quad Y = \mathcal{J}_0 \left( \frac{2g_1}{\hbar \omega_D} \right)$$

## Fisher-Hartwig Conjecture

The conjecture states that the generator/symbol of a Toeplitz matrix having  $m$  jump and  $m$  root singularities can be cast in the following form

$$f(z) = e^{V(z)} \prod_{j=0}^m |z - z_j|^{2\alpha_j} \left( \frac{z}{z_j} \right)^{\beta_j} g_{z_j, \beta_j}(z), \quad z = e^{i\theta}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$$

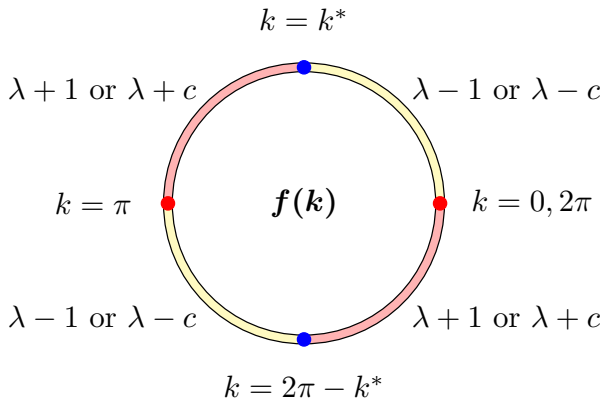
With the *singularities* located at  $\{z_j = e^{i\theta_j}, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  and  $0 \leq \theta_0 < \theta_1 < \theta_2 < \dots < \theta_m < 2\pi$ . Here the  $|z - z_j|^{2\alpha_j}$  specifies the root type singularities and

$$g_{z_j, \beta_j} := g_{\beta_j}(z) = \begin{cases} e^{+i\pi\beta_j} & 0 \leq \theta < \theta_j \\ e^{-i\pi\beta_j} & \theta_j \leq \theta < 2\pi \end{cases}$$

$\beta_j \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\theta = \arg(z)$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha_j) > -1/2$  (ensures integrability) and  $e^{V(\theta)}$  is a sufficiently smooth function on  $S^1$ . For a non-singular scalar symbol  $j = 0, z_0 = 1, \theta_0 = 0$

$$g_{z_0, \beta_0}(z) = e^{-i\pi\beta_0} \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

# Application of Fisher-Hartwig Conjecture



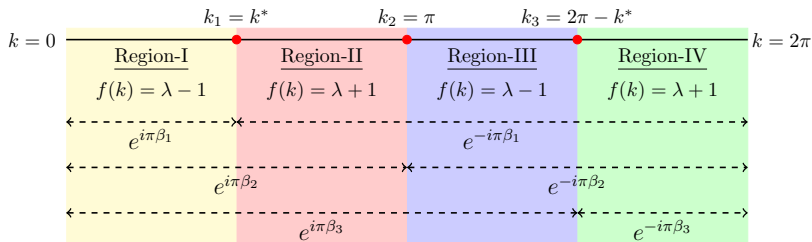
$$f(k) = e^{V(e^{ik})} \left( \prod_{i=0}^3 \left( \frac{z}{z_i} \right)^{\beta_i} \right) e^{-i\pi\beta_0} \left( \prod_{i=1}^3 g_{z_i\beta_i}(z) \right)$$

## Casting symbol in Fisher-Hartwig form

$$\beta_0 + \beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 = 0$$

$$e^{V(e^{ik})} e^{-ik_1\beta_1} e^{-ik_2\beta_2} e^{-ik_3\beta_3} e^{-i\pi\beta_0} e^{i\pi(\pm\beta_1+\beta_2+\beta_3)} = \lambda \mp 1$$

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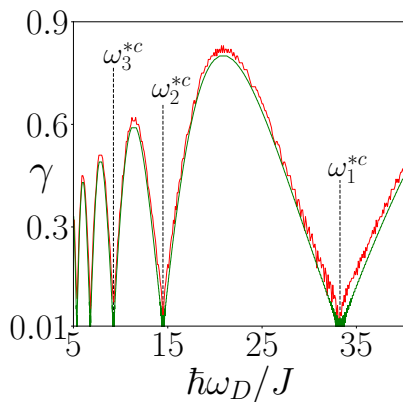


$$\beta_0 = \beta_2 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \ln \left( \frac{\lambda + 1}{\lambda - 1} \right), \beta_1 = \beta_3 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \ln \left( \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda + 1} \right), e^{V(e^{ik})} = \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 1}$$

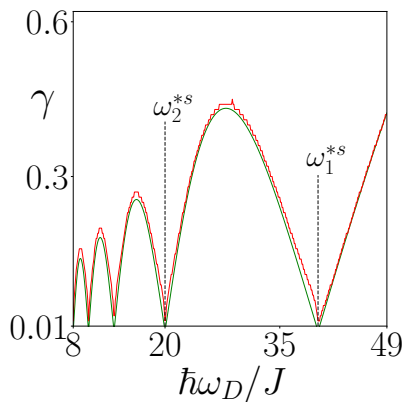
$$\ln(\det(\mathcal{D}_\ell(\lambda))) = \ell \ln \left( F \left[ e^{V(e^{ik})} \right] \right) - \ln(\ell) \sum_{i=1}^4 \beta_i^2(\lambda) + \text{sub-leading terms}$$

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