Entanglement and thermodynamics in out-of-equilibrium systems

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[V.A. and P. Calabrese, PNAS 114, 7947 (2017)]

- **Complexity** of out-of-equilibrium quantum matter.
- Entanglement and quenches.
- **Goal:** Entanglement dynamics after quantum quenches.
- **Semiclassical** picture & **Integrability**.
- von Neumann vs Rényi entropies.

- [V. Alba and P. Calabrese, Phys. Rev. B 96, 11541 (2017)]
- [V. Alba and P. Calabrese, J. Stat. Mech. (2017) 113105]
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Out-of-equilibrium isolated many-body systems

Question: How do simple descriptions (thermodynamics) emerge in out-of-equilibrium isolated sytems?



 $A \cup B =$ **isolated** universe

Unitary dynamics under Hamiltonian H

$$L,\ell \to \infty, {\rm with}\, \ell \ll L$$

time $ightarrow \infty$

Long-time limit of local reduced density matrix? Is it thermal?

$$\rho_A \equiv \text{Tr}_B \rho_{A \cup B}$$

Wonders of out-of-equilibrium systems

P. P. Rubens, Vulcan forging the Thunderbolts of Jupiter (1637), Prado Museum



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Out of equilibrium physics in cold-atom experiments

[Greiner, Nature (2002)]

[Hofferberth, Nature (2007)]





[Kinoshita et al., Nature 440, 900 (2006)]

Quantum quenches in **isolated** many-body systems

Quantum quench protocol

▶ Initial state $|\Psi_0
angle \Rightarrow$ unitary evolution under a many-body Hamiltonian ${\cal H}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \{|\psi_{\alpha}\rangle\} \text{ eigenstates of } \mathcal{H} & |\Psi_{0}\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} |\psi_{\alpha}\rangle \\ c_{\alpha} \equiv \langle \Psi_{0} |\psi_{\alpha}\rangle \end{array} |\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} e^{i \mathcal{E}_{\alpha} t} c_{\alpha} |\psi_{\alpha}\rangle \end{array}$$

• For a generic observable $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}$:

$$\langle \Psi(t) | \widehat{\mathcal{O}} | \Psi(t)
angle = \sum_{lpha,eta} e^{i(\boldsymbol{E}_{m{lpha}} - \boldsymbol{E}_{m{eta}})t} c^*_{lpha} c_{m{eta}} \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{lphaeta}$$

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• Long time \Rightarrow diagonal ensemble.

$$\overline{\langle \Psi(t) | \widehat{\mathcal{O}} | \Psi(t) \rangle} = \langle \widehat{\mathcal{O}} \rangle_{DE} = \sum_{lpha} | \langle \Psi_0 | \psi_{lpha} \rangle |^2 \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{lpha lpha}$$

Equilibration in integrable models

• Integrability \Rightarrow Local (quasi-local) conserved quantities \mathcal{I}_j .

$$[\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{I}_j] = 0, \ \forall j \quad \text{and} \quad [\mathcal{I}_j, \mathcal{I}_k] = 0, \ \forall j, k \qquad \mathcal{I}_2 \equiv \mathcal{H}$$

► Include extra charges in Gibbs ⇒ Generalized Gibbs Ensemble (GGE).



• Generalized microcanonical principle.





Entanglement: quantum mechanics at its strangest

Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen paradox:

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- Haiku view on entanglement:

Up here down there, these bonds are stronger than time. N.B.





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Entanglement entropy in many-body systems

• Consider a quantum system in d dimensions in a pure state $|\Psi\rangle$

 $\rho \equiv |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$

If the system is bipartite:

$$H = H_A \otimes H_B \to \rho_A = Tr_B \rho$$



How to quantify the entanglement (quantum correlations) between A and B?

• von Neumann entropy
$$S_A = -Tr\rho_A \log \rho_A = -\sum_i \lambda_i \log \lambda_i$$

• Rényi entropies
$$S_A^{(n)} = -\frac{1}{n-1}\log(Tr\rho_A^n) = -\frac{1}{n-1}\log(\sum_i \lambda_i^n)$$

Entanglement dynamics: Semiclassical picture

► Extensive amount of energy ⇒ quasi-particles produced uniformly in the initial state.
[Calabrese, Cardy, 2005]

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$$S_A(t) \propto 2t \int\limits_{2|v|t < \ell} d\lambda v(\lambda) f(\lambda) + \ell \int\limits_{2|v|t > \ell} d\lambda f(\lambda)$$

- Requires quasi-particles group velocities ν(λ)
- $f(\lambda)$ cross-section for quasi-particle production.
- Exact for free models.

[Fagotti, Calabrese, 2008]

Integrable models (à la Bethe ansatz)

► Integrability ⇒ stable families of "single particle" excitations.

 $\lambda_{n,j}$ = particle quasimomentum \approx rapidity.

Generic eigenstate:

 $|\{\lambda_{n,j}\}\rangle$

$$|\{\rho_n(\lambda),\rho_n^{(h)}(\lambda)\}\rangle$$

▶ # equivalent microscopic eigenstates ⇒ Yang-Yang entropy

$$S_{YY} \equiv L \sum_{n} \int d\lambda [\rho_n^{(t)} \log \rho_n^{(t)} - \rho_n \log \rho_n - \rho_n^{(h)} \log \rho_n^{(h)}]$$

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Quenches in integrable models

• Key idea: **Steady state** \Rightarrow **macrostate** $|\rho_n\rangle$.



• Integrability $\Rightarrow |\rho_n\rangle$ and $S[\rho_n]$ can be determined analytically.

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Steady-state entanglement entropy density is the thermodynamic entropy.



$$S_A/\ell = (\mathrm{Tr}
ho^{GGE} \log
ho^{GGE})/L = \sum_n \int d\lambda s_n(\lambda)$$

• Cross section for quasi-particle production is fixed $f(\lambda) = s_n(\lambda)$:

$$S_A(t) \xrightarrow{t \to \infty} \ell \sum_n \int d\lambda s_n(\lambda)$$





Entangling quasi-particles

How to identify the entangling quasi-particles?



► Local observables \Rightarrow dynamics determined by low-lying excitations around steady state $|\rho_n\rangle$.





$$S_A(t) \propto \sum_k \left[t \int d\lambda v_k(\lambda) s_k(\lambda) + \ell \int d\lambda s_k(\lambda)
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Model and quenches

▶ Spin-1/2 anisotropic Heisenberg (*XXZ*) chain.

$$\mathcal{H}_{XXZ} = \sum_{i=1}^{L} (S_i^+ S_{i+1}^- + S_i^- S_{i+1}^+ + \Delta S_i^z S_{i+1}^z) \qquad \Delta \ge 1$$

Initial states:

Tilted ferromagnet
$$|UP, \vartheta\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{i\vartheta/2\sum_{j}\sigma_{j}^{y}}|\uparrow\uparrow\cdots\rangle$$
Tilted Néel $|N, \vartheta\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{i\vartheta/2\sum_{j}\sigma_{j}^{y}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle^{\otimes L/2} + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle^{\otimes L/2})$

Majumdar-Ghosh (Dimer) $|MG\rangle \equiv (\frac{|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}})^{\otimes L/2}$



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Numerical checks: Full time evolution

• *XXZ* chain with $\Delta = 2$: Quench from Néel state.



Fairly good agreement apart from finite size (time) corrections.



$$\mathcal{S}_{A}(t) \propto \sum_{k} \Big[rac{t \int d\lambda v_{k}(\lambda) s_{k}(\lambda) + \ell \int d\lambda s_{k}(\lambda) \Big] {ert v_{k} ert t > \ell}$$



Numerical checks: Linear growth

Quench in the XXZ chain.







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- Entanglement dynamics after quantum quenches in integrable models.
- Improved Semiclassical picture using integrability.
- Entanglement dynamics encoded in the steady state and low-lying excitations around it.





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