# The Thermality of Quantum Approximate Markov Chains

with implications to the Locality of Edge States and Entanglement Spectrum

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Area law for gapped ground states: restricts *entanglement* (rigorously proven for 1D systems [Hastings, 07])

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1. Characterizing states with small CMI in terms of Gibbs states Area law for Gibbs (thermal) states: restricts correlations (proven for any dim. [Wolf, et al., 07 (cf. previous talk by Kastoryano)

2. An application to "entanglement spectrum" of 2D gapped systems efficient descriptions of many-body states (MPS, PEPS, MPO,...)

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### **Outline of this talk**

Part I: A characterization of approximate Markov chains

- ♦ Area law for Gibbs States
- Quantum Markov Chains & Approximate Quantum Markov
   Chains
- Equivalence to Gibbs states of short-range Hamiltonians

Part II: An application to entanglement spectrum in 2D systems

- Topological Entanglement Entropy and Entanglement
   Spectrum
- Previous Results on Entanglement Spectrum
- Locality of Entanglement Hamiltonian and Spectrum

# Part I: A characterization of approximate Markov chains

### Area law for Gibbs states







[Wolf, et al., '07]  
$$I(A:B)_{\rho} \coloneqq S(A)_{\rho} + S(B)_{\rho} - S(AB)_{\rho} \le 2\beta J |\partial A|$$

$$\succ S(A)_{\rho} \coloneqq -\mathrm{tr}\rho_{A}\mathrm{log}_{2}\rho_{A}$$

### **Conditional Mutual Information of Gibbs States**

#### The conditional mutual information:

$$I(A:C|B)_{\rho} \coloneqq I(A:BC)_{\rho} - I(A:B)_{\rho} \ge 0$$

• Monotonicity of MI:  $I(A:BC)_{\rho} \ge I(A:B)_{\rho}$ 

$$\rightarrow I(A:B_1)_{\rho} \leq I(A:B_1B_2)_{\rho} \leq \dots \leq I(A:B_1\dots B_m)_{\rho} \leq 2\beta J|\partial A|$$



### Quantum Markov Chain (for three systems)



If  $I(A: C|B)_{\rho} = 0$ , quantum state  $\rho_{ABC}$  is called a *Quantum Markov Chain* A - B - C.

[Hayden, et al., 03], [Brown & Poulin, '12]

1. There exists a CPTP-map  $\Lambda_{B \to BC}$ :  $B \to BC$  s.t.

$$\rho_{ABC} = \mathrm{id}_{\mathrm{A}} \otimes \Lambda_{\mathrm{B} \to BC}(\rho_{AB})$$



2. There exists a Hamiltonian  $H_{ABC} = H_{AB} + H_{BC}$  s.t.

$$\rho_{ABC} = e^{-H_{ABC}}, [H_{AB}, H_{BC}] = 0 \ (\rho_{ABC} > 0)$$

### **Longer Chains**



 $\rho_A$  on the chain  $A_1A_2 \dots A_n$  is a (quantum) Markov chain if  $I(A_1 \dots A_{i-1}: A_{i+1} \dots A_n | A_i)_{\rho} = 0$ for arbitrary  $i \in [n]$ .



\*We can generalize the concept of Markov chains to general graphs as *Markov networks* 

# Hammersley-Clifford Theorem (1D)

#### [Hammersley&Clifford, '71]:

Random variables  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$  forms a (positive) Markov chain

if, and only if, the distribution can be written as

$$p_{X_1X_2...X_n}(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left(-\sum_i h_i(x_i, x_{i+1})\right)$$



\* also holds for Markov networks



### Gibbs distributions of 1D *short-range* Hamiltonians

# Quantum Hammersley-Clifford Theorem (1D)

#### [Leifer & Poulin, '08], [Brown & Poulin, '12]:

A quantum state  $\rho_{A_1...A_n} > 0$  on a chain forms a Markov chain

if, and only if, the state can be written as

2. There exists a Hamiltonian 
$$H_{ABC} = H_{AB} + H_{BC}$$
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Gibbs states of 1D **commuting** short-range Hamiltonians

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# **Properties of Approximate Markov Chains**

How about states having small but non-zero CMI?

Naïve guess: all properties of Markov chains *approximately* hold for *approximate* Markov chains

Classical:  

$$I(X:Z|Y)_{p} = \min_{q:Markov} S(p_{XYZ}||q_{XYZ})$$

$$I(X:Z|Y)_{p} \le \varepsilon \leftrightarrow p_{XYZ} \approx_{\varepsilon} q_{XYZ}$$

However...

Quantum:

$$I(A:C|B)_{\rho} \neq \min_{\sigma:Markov} S(\rho_{ABC} || \sigma_{ABC})$$
 [Ibinson, et al., '06]

∃ property of Markov chains which is invalid for approximate Markov chains

## Local Recoverability of States with Small CMI

Some properties still approximately hold for approximate Markov chains

[Fawzi & Renner, '15]: There exists a CPTP-map  $\Lambda_{B \to BC}$  s.t.  $I(A: C|B)_{\rho} \ge -2\log_2 F(\rho_{ABC}, \Lambda_{B \to BC}(\rho_{AB}))$ 

$$I(A:C|B)_{\rho} \approx 0$$
$$\leftrightarrow$$

1. There exists a CPTP-map  $\Lambda_{B \to BC}$ :  $B \to BC$  s.t.  $\rho_{ABC} \approx id_A \otimes \Lambda_{B \to BC}(\rho_{AB})$ 

\*The converse part can be shown by using the Alicki-Fannes inequality.

### Question

# Q. How about the quantum Hammersley-Clifford theorem for approximate Markov chains ?

Quantum approximate Markov chains

Gibbs states of 1D **short-range** Hamiltonians

### Approximate Quantum HC Theorem (1D)



 $\rho_A$  is a  $\varepsilon$  –approximate Markov chain if  $I(A_1 \dots A_{i-1}: A_{i+1} \dots A_n | A_i)_{\rho} \leq \varepsilon$ for arbitrary  $i \in [n]$ .

#### Result 1.

For any  $\varepsilon$  –approximate Markov chain  $\rho_{A_1A_2...A_n}$ , there exists a Hamiltonian

$$H_A = \sum h_{A_i A_{i+1}}$$
 s.t.,  
 $S(\rho_A || e^{-H_A}) \le n\varepsilon.$  Application to gapped systems (next part)

#### Any approximate Markov chain can be approximated by local Gibbs states

## Approximate Quantum HC Theorem (1D)



#### Result 2.

For any Gibbs state  $\rho$  of a short-range Hamiltonian *H* at temperature *T* Application to

$$I(A:C|B)_{\rho} \le ce^{-q(T)\sqrt{l}}$$

for  $q(T) = e^{-c'T^{-1}}$ ,  $c \ge 0$ , c' > 0 and any partition ABC as in t

All 1D Gibbs states of short-range Hamiltonians are approximate Markov chains (Strengthen the area law of 1D Gibbs states)

Gibbs state

preparation

(see previous talk)

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PartII: An application to entanglement spectrum in 2D systems

## Area Law in 2D Gapped Systems

# of boundary

 $S(A)_{\rho} = \alpha |\partial A| - \overset{*}{n}_{\partial A} \gamma + o(1)$ 

• Ground states of 2D gapped local Hamiltonians typically obey area law:

>  $\gamma$ : topological entanglement entropy [Kitaev & Preskill, '06], [Levin & Wen '06] ( $\gamma > 0 \leftrightarrow$  the g.s. is in a topologically ordered phase (?))



A strong type of area law (rest of this talk)

$$S(A)_{\rho} = \alpha |\partial A| - n_{\partial A} \gamma + e^{-|\partial A|/\xi}$$

 $\hookrightarrow$  For any *ABC* with no holes,

$$I(A:C|B)_{\rho} \le e^{-cl}$$

 $\rho_{ABC}$  is an approximate Markov chain



## **Entanglement Hamiltonian and Spectrum**

• Other tools to study gapped g.s.

 $\rho_A =: e^{-H_A} \longleftarrow$  entanglement Hamiltonian

### $\lambda(H_A)$ : entanglement spectrum



- (logarithm of the Schmidt coefficients)
- Correspondence to edge theory in FQHE [Li & Haldane, '08] also has been studied in other systems [Ali, et al., '09, Lauchli & Bergholtz, '10,...]
- Previous observations in the PEPS formalism [Cirac et al., '11], [Schuch, et al., '13], [Cirac, et al., '16]

$$\rho_l = V \sigma_b^2 V^{\dagger}$$
 V:isometry

short-range (in trivial phase)

 $H_b =$ short-range + global interactions (in topologically ordered phases)



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 $\underline{-}\cdot \rho^{-H_A} \leftarrow entanglement Hamiltonian$ 



Q. How general this observation in PEPS?

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CThis talk: connection to the topological entanglement entropy also has been studied in other systems [Ali, et al., '09, Lauchli & Bergholtz, '

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# Locality of Entanglement Spectrum ( $\gamma = 0$ )

Suppose  $|\psi_{YXY'}\rangle$  satisfies the area law and  $\gamma = 0$  (trivial phase).



### **TEE and Non-Local Entanglement Hamiltonian**

How about the case of  $\gamma > 0$ ?

#### Result 3.

Under our assumption, for some c > 0 and sufficiently large l,

$$2\gamma = \min_{H_X \in \mathcal{H}_2} S(\rho_X || e^{-H_X}) + e^{-cl} \ge 0 \ (l \gg 1)$$
$$\mathcal{H}_2 \coloneqq \left\{ H = \sum h_{X_i X_{i+1}}, \left\| h_{X_i X_i + 1} \right\| \le \mathcal{O}(|X|) \right\}$$

 $\gamma > 0 \rightarrow -\log \rho_X$  is non-local **Note:** EH is local after tracing out  $X_i$ .  $\operatorname{tr}_{X_1} e^{-H_X} = \exp(-h_{X_2X_3} \cdots - h_{X_{m-1}X_m})$  **Conjecture (no rigorous proof):** The non-local part is dominated by *m*-body interactions



### Non-Locality of Entanglement Spectrum ( $\gamma > 0$ )

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$$\mathcal{H}_2 \coloneqq \{H = \sum h_{X_i X_{i+1}}, \|h_{X_i X_i+1}\| \le \mathcal{O}(|X|)\}$$



### **Difference to The Previous Results**

Assumption: PEPS formalism (fixed-point) [Cirac et al., '11], [Schuch, et al., '13], [Cirac, et al., '16]

$$\lambda(-\log \rho_l) = \lambda(H_b)$$

$$H_b = \begin{cases} \text{short-range} \\ \text{(in trivial phase)} \\ \text{short-range + global interactions} \\ \text{(in topologically ordered phases)} \end{cases}$$

Assumption: Strong type of area law (+ reflection symmetry)

this talk

$$\left\| \lambda \left( H_{Y}^{(2)} \right) - \lambda (H_{X}) \right\|_{1} \leq e^{-cl}$$
  
$$H_{X} = \begin{cases} \text{short-range} \\ (\gamma = 0) \\ \text{short-range + global interactions} \\ (\gamma > 0) \end{cases}$$



### Take-home massages:

Part I: Quantum approximate Markov chains are Gibbs states of 1D short-range Hamiltonians.

Part II: The locality of the entanglement spectrum of gapped g.s. on a cylinder is related to the TEE.

### **Open problems:**

Part I: Better bounds on CMI of 1D Gibbs states? Generalization of the equivalence to Markov networks? (→ application for Gibbs state preparation)

Part II: Weaker assumptions? Do we really need double of the ES? Consequences of the (non-)locality of ES?



#### Result 1.

For any  $\varepsilon$  –approximate Markov chain  $\rho_{A_1A_2...A_n}$ , there exists a Hamiltonian  $H_A = \sum h_{A_iA_{i+1}}$  s.t.,

$$S(\rho_A||e^{-H_A}) \leq n\varepsilon.$$

• <u>The maximum entropy principle [Jaynes, '57]</u>

The maximum entropy state  $\sigma_A$  satisfying

$$\sigma_{A_iA_{i+1}} = \rho_{A_iA_{i+1}}, \forall i$$

has the form

$$\sigma_{A_iA_{i+1}} = e^{-\sum h_{A_iA_{i+1}}}.$$

• <u>A result from information geometry</u> [Knauf & Weis, '10]  $\inf_{H_A = \sum h_{A_i A_{i+1}}} S(\rho_A || e^{-H_A}) = S(A)_{\rho} - S(A)_{\sigma}$ 

Small by the assumption + SSA

#### Result 2.

For any Gibbs state  $\rho$  of a short-range Hamiltonian H at temperature T,

$$I(A:C|B)_{\rho} \le ce^{-q(T)\sqrt{l}}$$

for  $q(T) = e^{-c'T^{-1}}$ ,  $c \ge 0$ , c' > 0 and any partition *ABC* as in the below.

Explicitly construct a recovery map  $\Lambda_{B \to BC}$  s.t.

$$\|\rho_{ABC} - \Lambda_{B \to BC}(\rho_{AB})\|_{1} \le c' e^{-q'\sqrt{l}} \qquad \text{inequality}$$

Quantum belief propagation equation [Hastings, '07][Kim, '11]

For 1D Hamiltonian with short-range H,  $\exists O_I$  s.t.  $\|e^{-\beta(H+V)} - O_I e^{-\beta H} O_I^{\dagger}\| \le e^{-q'' l}$ 

From the quantum belief propagation equation, there exists  $X_B$  s.t.

 $\rho_{ABC} \approx \kappa_{B \to BC}(\rho_{AB}) = X_B \left( \operatorname{tr}_{B^R} \left[ X_B^{-1} \rho_{AB} (X_B^{-1})^{\dagger} \right] \otimes \rho_{B^R C} \right) X_B^{\dagger}$ 



### Repeat-until-success method

We normalize  $\kappa_{B \to BC}$  and define a CPTD-map  $\tilde{\Lambda}_{B \to BC}$ .  $\rightarrow$  Succeed to recover with a constant probability p (in 1D systems).



 $\Box \operatorname{Choose} N \sim l(|B| = \mathcal{O}(l^2)).$ 

We can construct a CPTP-map  $\Lambda_{B \to BC}$  satisfying

 $\|\rho_{ABC} - \mathrm{id}_A \otimes \Lambda_{B \to BC} (\rho_{AB})\|_1 \le e^{-\mathcal{O}(l)}.$ 

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>  $\mathcal{H}_2 \coloneqq \left\{ H = \sum h_{X_i X_{i+1}}, \left\| h_{X_i X_i + 1} \right\| \le \mathcal{O}(|X|) \right\}$ 

By assumption,  $I(X_1: X_3X_{m-1}|X_2X_m)_{\rho} \approx 0$ .  $\rightarrow \exists$  recovery map  $\Lambda_{2m \rightarrow 12m}: X_2X_m \rightarrow X_2X_mX_1$ 

$$\sigma_X \coloneqq \Lambda_{2m \to 12m}(\rho_{X_2 \dots X_m})$$

Facts:  $\sigma_{X_i X_{i+1}} \approx \rho_{X_i X_{i+1}}$ 

$$\to \sigma_X \approx \underset{H_X \in \mathcal{H}_2}{\operatorname{argmin}} S(\rho_X || e^{-H_X}), \qquad S(\rho_X || \sigma_X) \approx 2\gamma.$$

