

Full time statistics of equilibration dynamics

A tool for the investigation of quantum criticality and integrability

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Preliminaries

Equilibration? $\rho(t) \Rightarrow \rho_{eq}$

1. Isolated, **finite** system

2. Prepare initial state ρ_0

3. Evolve with H : $\rho(t) = e^{-iHt} \rho_0 e^{iHt}$

4. Monitor observable A :

$$a(t) = \langle A(t) \rangle = \text{Tr} A \rho(t)$$

• Observation window $[0, T]$

• Time average

$$\bar{f} = \int_0^T f(t) \frac{dt}{T}$$

$$P_A(a) da = \text{Prob}(\langle A(t) \rangle \in [a, a + da], t \in [0, T])$$

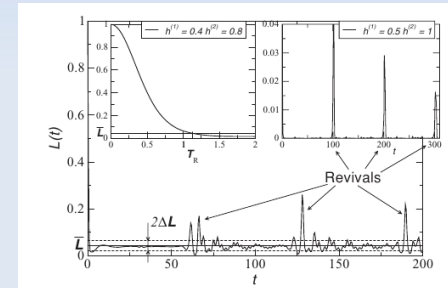
$$P_A(a) = \overline{\delta(a - a(t))}$$

Equilibration = concentration of $P_A(a)$

1. No strong convergence $\|\rho(t) - \rho_{eq}\| = \text{const}$

2. For finite systems no weak convergence

3. Stochastic convergence



Few words on the average state

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Relaxation in a Completely Integrable Many-Body Quantum System: An *Ab Initio* Study of the Dynamics of the Highly Excited States of 1D Lattice Hard-Core Bosons

Marcos Rigol,¹ Vanja Dunjko,^{2,3} Vladimir Yurovsky,⁴ and Maxim Olshanii^{2,3,*}

Conjecture:

$$\rho(t) \rightarrow \bar{\rho} \simeq \rho_{GGE} = Z^{-1} e^{\sum_k \lambda_k n_k}$$

Remark:

ρ_{GGE} is a Gaussian state with covarinace \bar{R}

$$\rho_{GGE} = \rho_{\bar{R}}$$

1) Cramer, Dawson, Eisert, Osborne, PRL (2008)

$$\|\bar{\rho}^S - \rho_{GGE}^S\| < \epsilon$$

2) Lanford III, Robinson, Comm. Math. Phys. (1972)

$$\rho(t) \rightarrow \rho_{GGE}$$

Subsystems, Bosons

TD limit, $\epsilon_k = k^2$

On GGE (II)

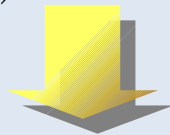
Evidence that

$$\bar{\rho} \rightarrow \rho_{GGE}$$
$$L \rightarrow \infty$$

However:
identity is exact
for quadratic observables

Proof:

$$\text{Tr}(A e^{-itH} \rho e^{itH}) = \text{Tr}(A e^{-itM} R e^{itM})$$



$$\text{Tr}(A \bar{\rho}) = \text{Tr}(A \overline{R(t)}) = \text{Tr}(A \rho_{\bar{R}})$$

$$H = \sum c_x^\dagger M_{x,y} c_y$$
$$A = \sum c_x^\dagger A_{x,y} c_y$$
$$R_{y,x} = \langle c_x^\dagger c_y \rangle$$

Size of fluctuations: general case

$$a(t) = \text{Tr} A \rho(t)$$

$$\Delta^2 a = \overline{a(t)^2} - \bar{a}^2 \leq \text{Ran}_A^2 \text{Tr} \bar{\rho}^2$$

+ non-resonant condition:

$$E_i - E_j = E_l - E_m \\ \Rightarrow i=j, l=m \vee i=l, j=m$$

Note that:

$$\text{Tr} \bar{\rho}^2 = L(t)$$

Reimann, PRL (2008)

Clustering initial state

$$L(t) = \left| \langle \Psi | e^{-itH} | \Psi \rangle \right|^2 = \exp 2 \sum_{n=1} \langle H^n \rangle_c \frac{(-t^2)^n}{2n!} \stackrel{\text{Clustering initial state}}{=} e^{Vf(t)}$$



$$\text{Tr} \bar{\rho}^2 \leq e^{-\alpha V}$$

What about free systems?

Fluctuations: integrable case

$$a(t) = \langle A(t) \rangle \rightarrow P_A(a) = \overline{\delta(a - a(t))}$$

Generally, for A extensive:

$$\overline{a(t)} \propto V \quad \Delta^2 a \leq O(e^{-\alpha V})$$

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Integrable systems (free Fermions)

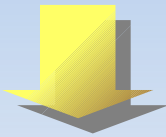
$$a(t) = \text{Tr}(A e^{-itM} R e^{itM}) = \sum_{k,q} \underbrace{A_{q,k} R_{k,q}}_{F_{k,q}/2} e^{-it(\epsilon_k - \epsilon_q)}$$

Analogous bound:

$$\Delta^2 a \leq \|a\|_\infty^2 \text{Tr} \bar{R}^2 \leq \|a\|_\infty^2 \nu V$$

All the cumulants: Stat-mech parallel

Rational independence



$$\overline{e^{\lambda a(t)}} = \sum_{\theta's} e^{\lambda E(\theta's)} = e^{f(\lambda)V}$$

$$E(\theta's) = \sum_{k,q} F_{k,q} \cos(\theta_k - \theta_q)$$

$$F_{k,q} = F(|k - q|)$$

Classical XY model
on lattice F_{ij}
(infinite temperature)

$$Z = \frac{(a(t) - \bar{a})}{\sqrt{V}} \quad \text{Gaussian}$$



All cumulants
extensive:
CLT

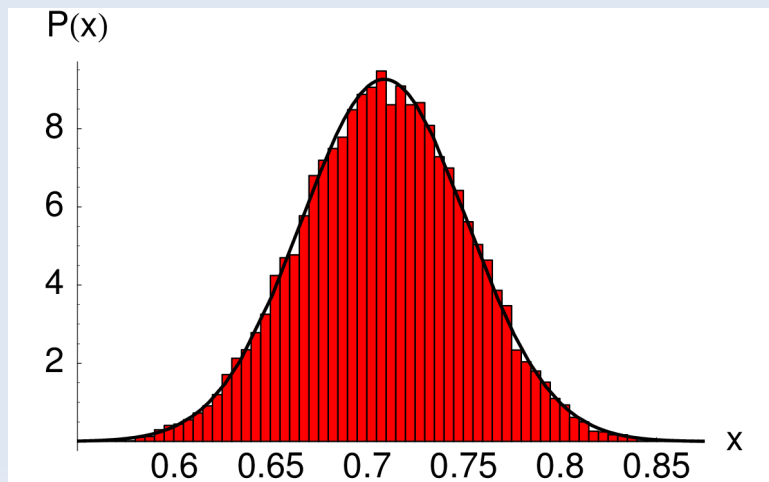
Gaussian
Equilibration

Gaussian equilibration: Examples

$$H_{XY} = - \sum_{i=1}^L \left[\frac{(1+\gamma)}{2} \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \frac{(1-\gamma)}{2} \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y + h \sigma_i^z \right]$$

$$m(t) = \langle \sigma_i^z(t) \rangle$$

Theorem: (assuming RI)
m(t) Gaussian

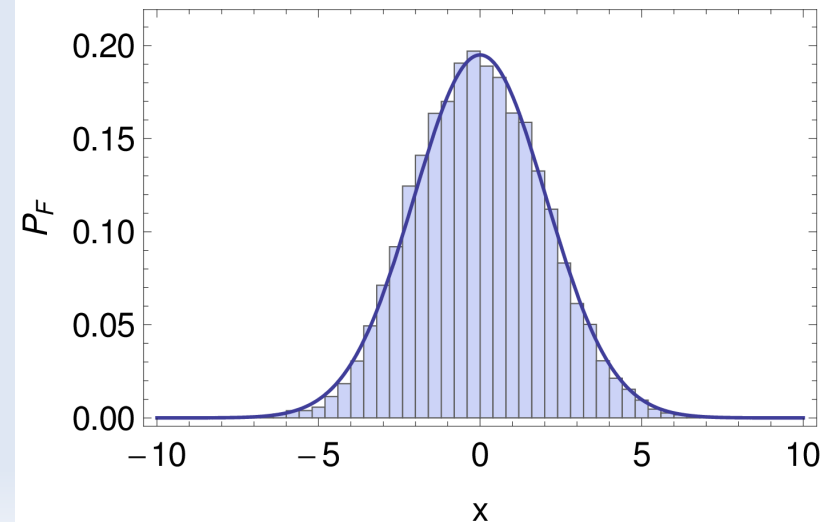


$$H = t \sum_{i=1}^L \left[c_i^\dagger c_{i+1} + c_{i+1}^\dagger c_i \right]$$

$$c_{L+1} = e^{i\theta L} c_1$$

$$A(t) = \sum_{i=1}^L \langle n_i(t) \rangle$$

Theorem: extensive
fluctuations



Equilibration & Integrability

Generally, for A extensive:

$$\overline{a(t)} \propto V \quad \Delta^2 a \leq O(e^{-\alpha V})$$

Integrable systems (free Fermions)

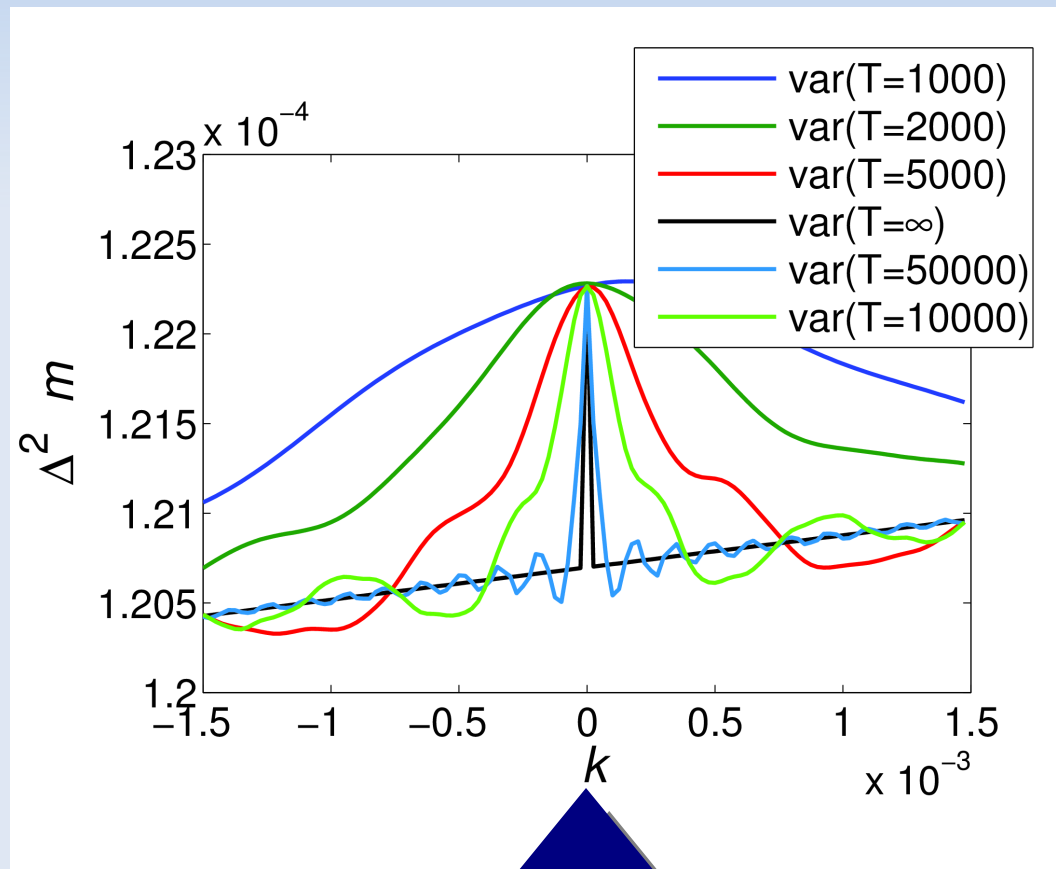
$$\overline{a(t)} \propto V \quad \Delta^2 a = O(V)$$

Gaussian (poor) equilibration

Detecting integrable points

$$H = - \sum_i \left[\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + h \sigma_i^z - \kappa \sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+2}^x \right]$$

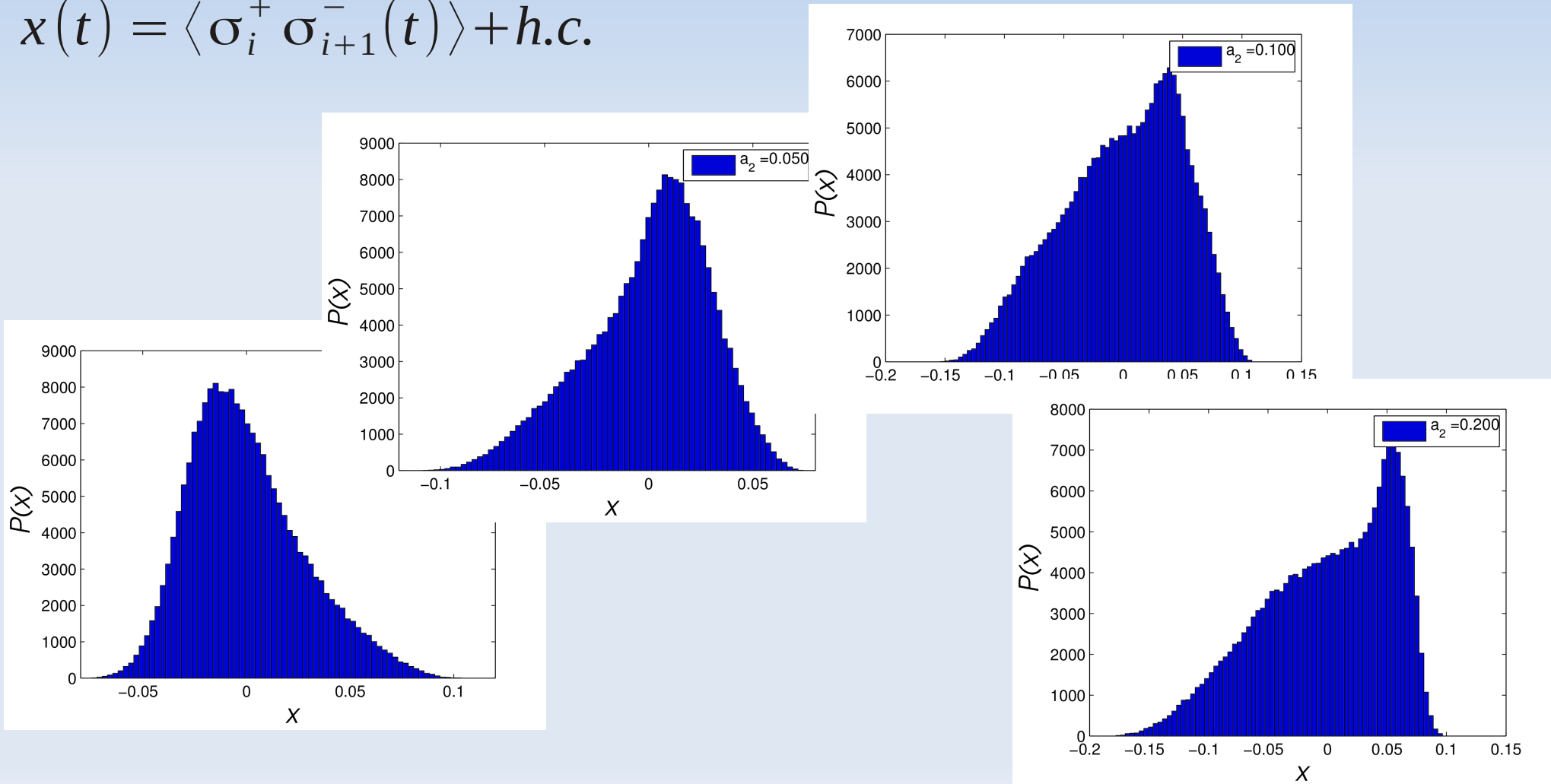
$$m(t) = \langle \sigma_i^z(t) \rangle$$



Detecting integrable points (II)

$$H = \sum_i \left[\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y + \Delta_1 \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z + \alpha \left(\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+2}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+2}^y + \Delta_2 \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+2}^z \right) \right]$$

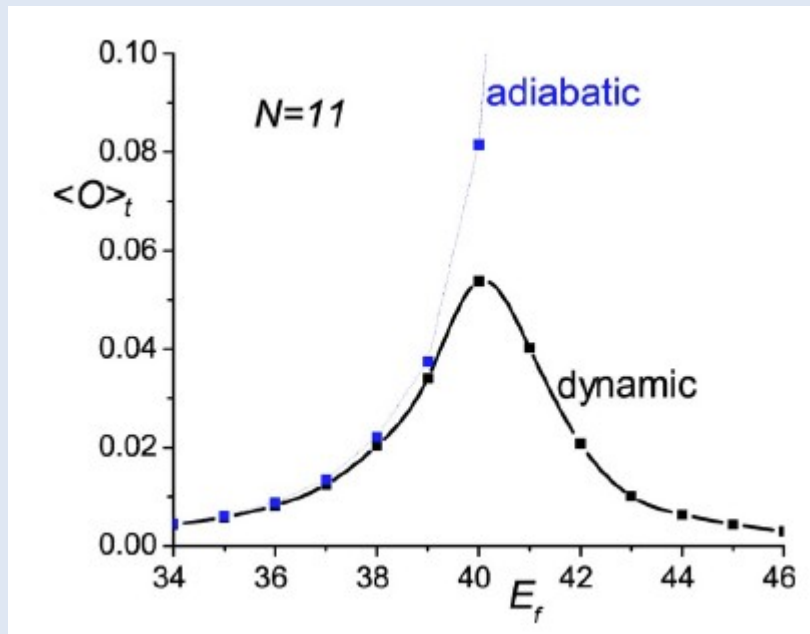
$$x(t) = \langle \sigma_i^+ \sigma_{i+1}^-(t) \rangle + h.c.$$



Quench: dynamical detection of QPT's

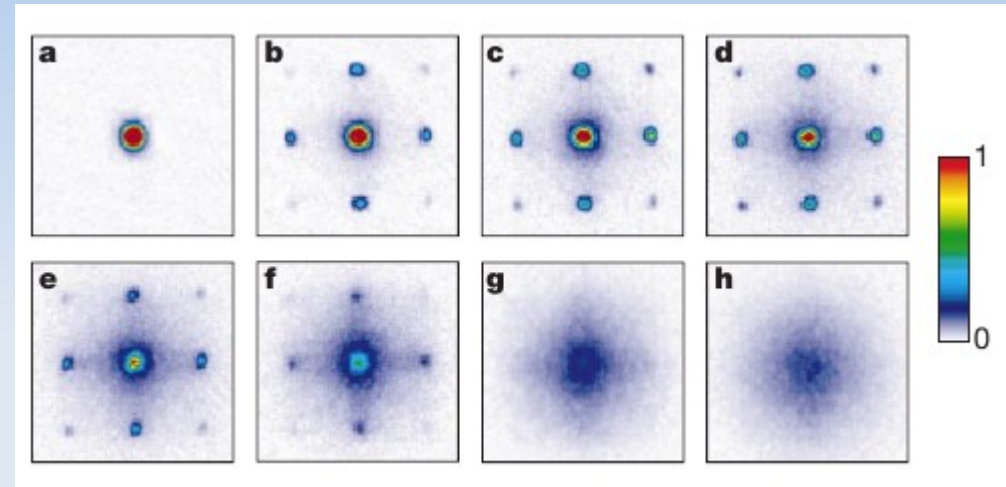
$$H \rightarrow |\Psi_0\rangle$$
$$H' = H + \delta\lambda V$$

Theoretical description



Sengupta, Powell, Sachdev, PRA (2004)

superfluid-Mott transition: experiment



Greiner et al., Nature (2002)

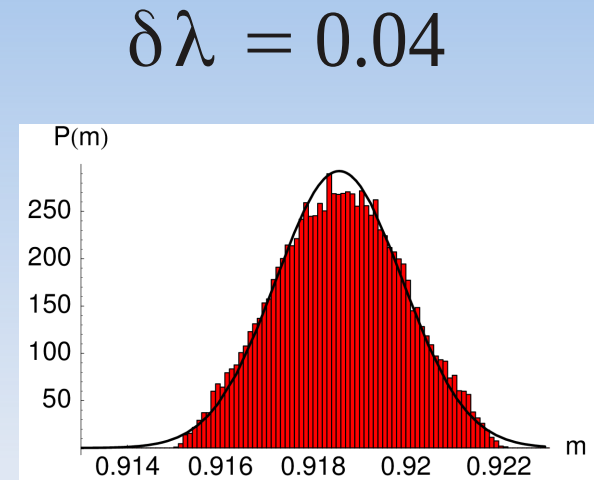
First moment to
detect criticality

Small* quench: full statistics

- Small quench, off-critical

$$L \gg \xi$$

$$L = 12$$

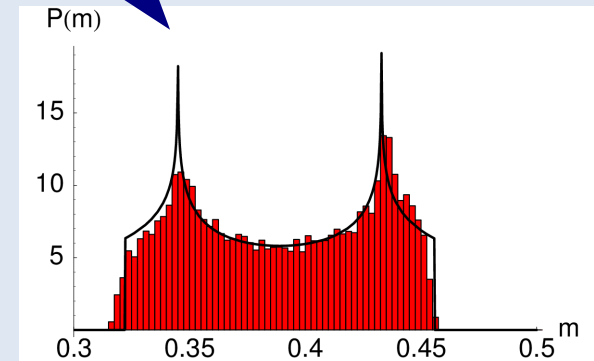


Bi-modal:
phase transition

- Small quench, quasi-critical

$$\xi \gg L$$

$$L = 16$$



(*) Small: $\delta\lambda^2 \chi_F \ll 1 \Rightarrow \delta\lambda \ll \frac{1}{L^{1/\nu}}$

Small quench: CLT

$$\langle A(t) \rangle = \sum_{n,m} A_{n,m} \overline{c(E_n)} c(E_m) e^{-it(E_m - E_n)} \quad c(E_n) = \langle E_n, \Psi_0 \rangle$$

$$\approx \bar{A} + \sum_{n>0} F_n \cos(t(E_n - E_0)) \quad F_n \approx 2A_{n,0} c(E_n)$$

rational
independence



$a(t)$ sum of
independent variables

$$\Delta^2 a = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n>0} F_n^2 \leq 2[\langle 0|A^2|0 \rangle - \langle 0|A|0 \rangle^2] \propto L$$



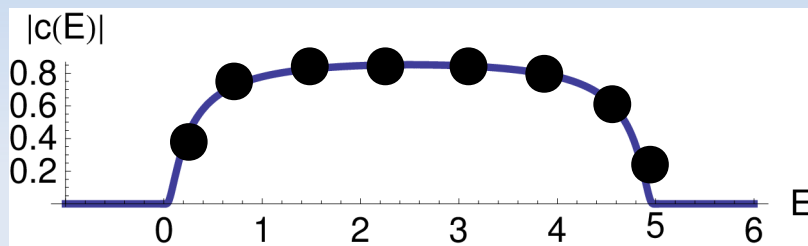
"Generally"
CLT

Look at $F_n, c(E_n)$

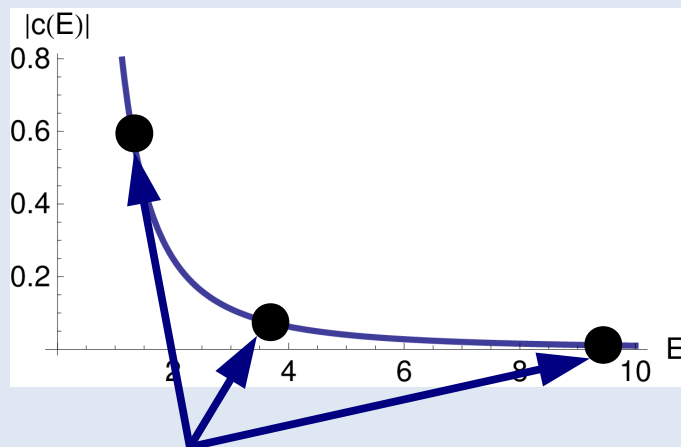
Small quench: explanation

Look at $c(E_n)$

Off-critical distribution



Critical case distribution



Allowed values

Scaling prediction
at criticality:

$$c(E) \sim E^{-1/\nu}$$

sum rule

$$\sum_E |c(E)|^2 = 1$$

Only few $|E\rangle$ states
contribute:
Bi-modal distribution

Small quench: critical case

- Q: How to break CLT?
- A: most $F_n \rightarrow 0$

(Quantum) critical points are ***more*** stable against perturbations

Conclusions

- Finite systems
 - Look at full time statistics
 - **Integrability & equilibration:**
- } Ingredients

Gaussian equilibration: LCV, Paolo Zanardi arXiv:1208.1121

integrable systems concentrate less

- **Small quench:** a tool to detect criticality, engineer "*new quantum states of matter*"

LCV, Jacobson, Santra, Zanardi, PRL (2011)

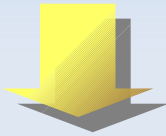
LCV, Zanardi, PRA (2010)

Thank you

Loschmidt echo

$$[R, M] = 0$$

$$L(t) = \prod_k (1 - \alpha_k \sin^2(t \epsilon_k / 2))$$



$$Z = \frac{\log L(t) - \overline{\log L(t)}}{\sqrt{\overline{L}}} \quad \text{Gaussian, } \Rightarrow L(t) \text{ Log-Normal}$$

For general models (RI spectrum), work in progress

$$\mu_n(L(t)) = f(\text{Tr}(\bar{\rho}^{2k}))$$

- Applies to XY model
- Generalizes to thermal quenches
- Generalizes to Ulman Fidelity

Curiosity: Riemman zeta

$$\zeta(\sigma + it) = \text{Tr}(e^{-itH} \rho_\sigma), \quad \rho_\sigma = e^{-\sigma H}$$

H primon gas:
free bosons

$$Z := \log |\zeta(\sigma_0 + it)|^2$$

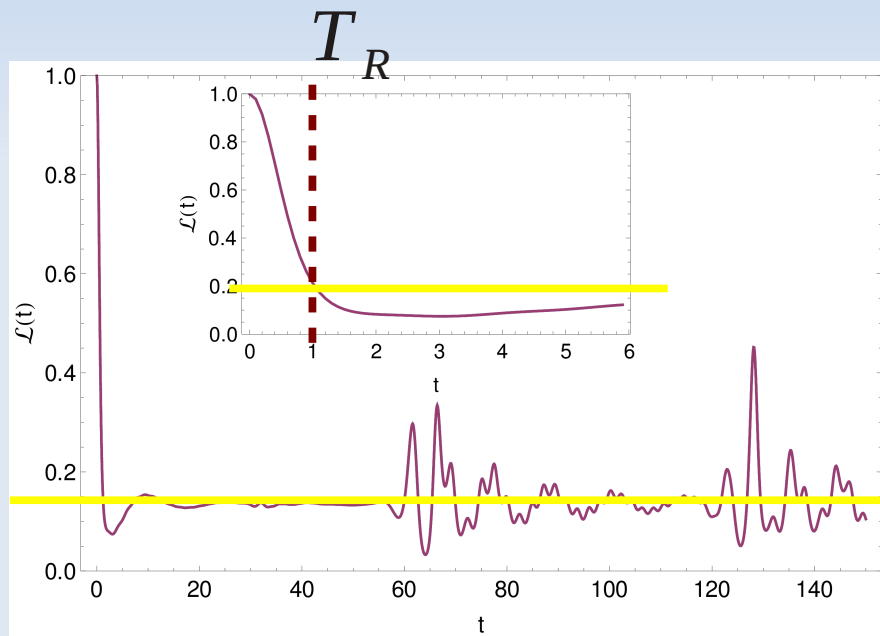
Satisfies
CLT

Very similar
to Loschmidt Echo)

Relaxation time



(Talk by Michael Pustilnik)



$$\langle A(T_R) \rangle := \bar{A}$$

Loschmidt echo

$$L(T_R) := \bar{L}$$

Relaxation time II

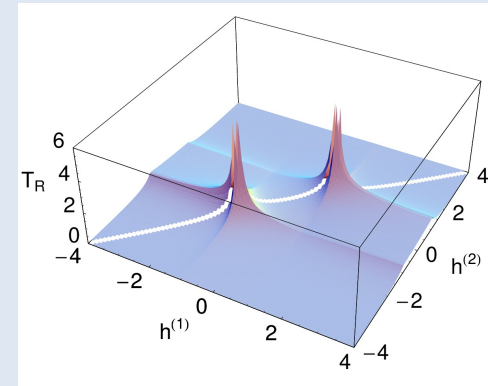
Loschmidt echo: short time - cumulant expansion

**Generally
(+small quench off-critical)**

$$L(t) = e^{-\sigma^2 t^2} \quad \bar{L} = e^{-\alpha L^d}, \quad \sigma^2 \sim L^d \Rightarrow T_R = O(L^0)$$

small quench criticality

$$\bar{L} \simeq e^{-2\delta\lambda^2\chi_F}, \quad \sigma^2 \sim L^{2(d-\Delta)}, \quad \chi_F \sim L^{2(d+\zeta-\Delta)} \Rightarrow T_R = O(L^\zeta)$$



$$T_R \sim |\lambda - \lambda_c|^{-\zeta \nu}$$

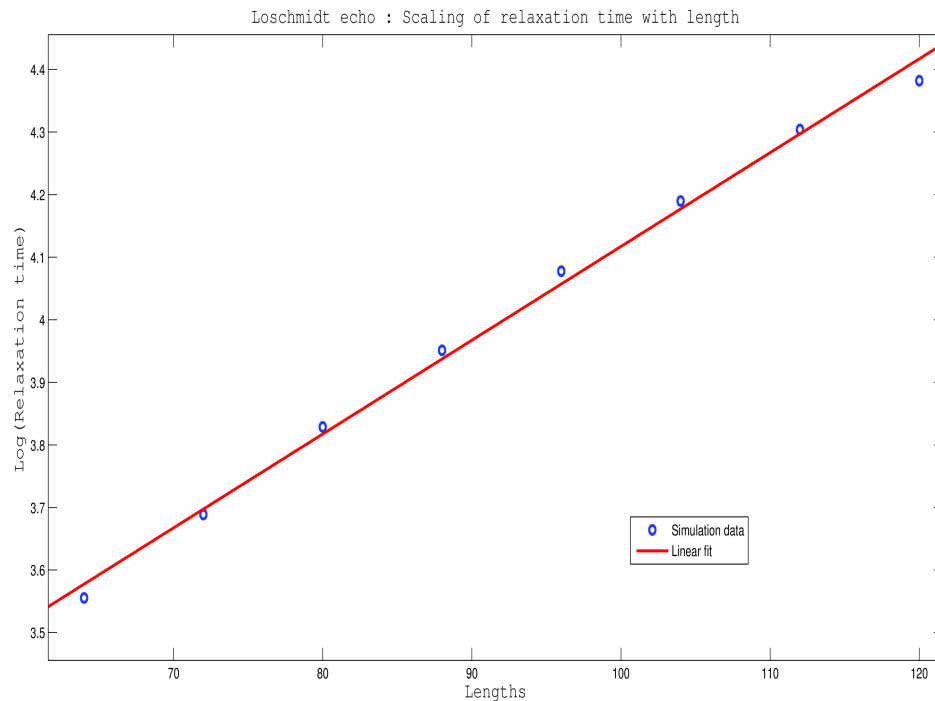
Relaxation time: Random Systems

~ Inguscio, Modugno, LENS

$$H = \sum_x (c_x^\dagger c_{x+1} + c_{x+1}^\dagger c_x) - \mu_x c_x^\dagger c_x$$

Loschmidt echo

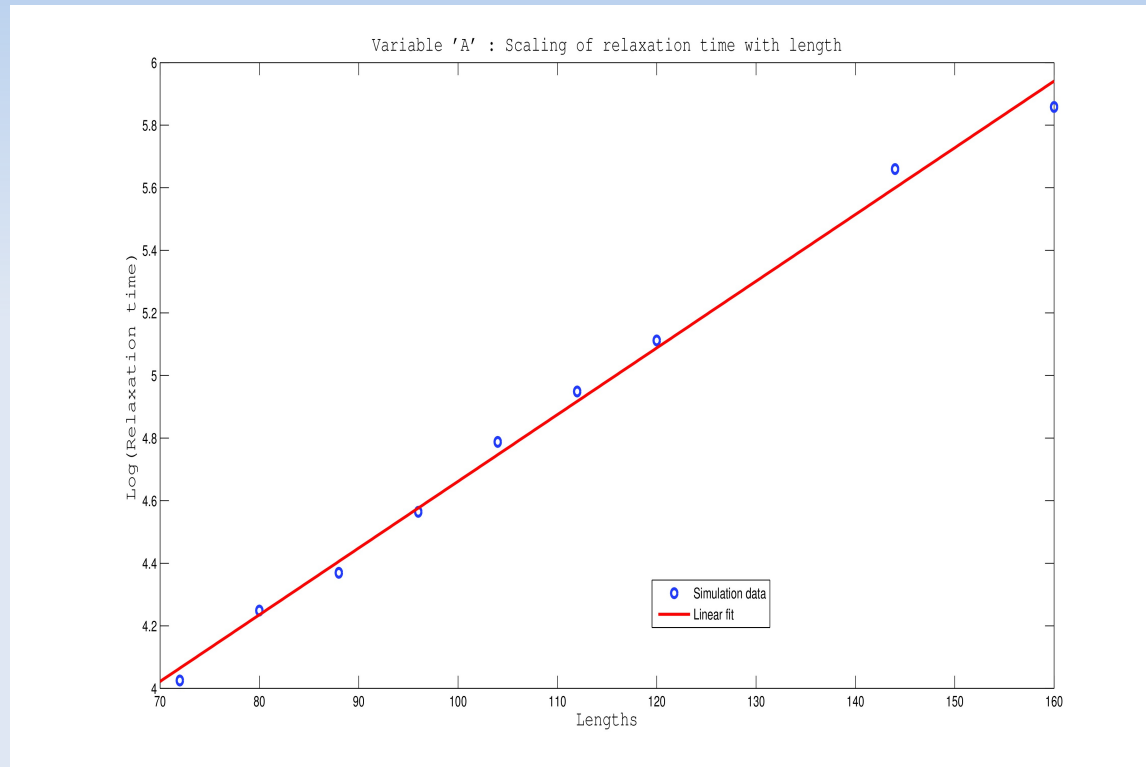
Random field



$$E[L(t)]$$

Relaxation time: Random Systems

Number operator $E[\langle N_l(t) \rangle]$



$$T_{\text{Relax}} \sim e^{\alpha L}$$