Zero-temperature phase structure of the 1+1 dimensional Thirring model from matrix product states

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Outline

- Preliminaries: motivation and introduction
- Lattice formulation and the MPS
- Simulations and numerical results: Phase structure of the Thirring model
- Remarks and outlook (spectrum, real-time dynamics)

Preliminaries

Logic flow

Hamiltonian formalism for QFT

MPS & variational method for obtaining the ground state

Compute correlators and excited state spectrum

Motivation

- New formulation for lattice field theory
- No sign problem
- Real-time dynamics
- Future quantum computers?

In this talk: BKT phase transition

The 1+1 dimensional Thirring model

$$S_{\rm Th}[\psi,\bar{\psi}] = \int d^2x \left[\bar{\psi}i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\,\bar{\psi}\psi - \frac{g}{2} \left(\bar{\psi}\gamma_{\mu}\psi\right) \left(\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi\right) \right]$$

Conformality of the massless theory
Duality with the sine-Gordon theory

Bosonisation and duality

• Basic ingredients from free field theories

$$\left\langle \prod_{i=1}^{n} e^{i\kappa_{i}\phi(x)} \right\rangle_{\text{ren.}} = \prod_{i < j} (\mu |x_{i} - x_{j}|)^{\kappa_{i}\kappa_{j}/2\pi}, \text{ where } \left[e^{i\kappa_{i}\phi(x)} \right]_{\text{bare}} = (\Lambda/\mu)^{-\kappa_{i}^{2}/4\pi} \left[e^{i\kappa_{i}\phi(x)} \right]_{\text{ren.}}$$
And similar power law for $\overline{\psi}\psi$ correlators.
Works in the zero-charge sector

• The dictionary (zero total fermion number)

$$S_{\rm Th} \left[\psi, \bar{\psi} \right] = \int d^2 x \left[\bar{\psi} i \gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \psi - m_0 \bar{\psi} \psi - \frac{g}{2} \left(\bar{\psi} \gamma_{\mu} \psi \right)^2 \right]$$

(field redifinition, anomaly)

$$S_{\rm SG} \left[\phi \right] = \frac{1}{t} \int d^2 x \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi(x) \partial^{\mu} \phi(x) + \alpha_0 \cos \left(\phi(x) \right) \right]$$

$$\star \text{ Coleman: Unstable vacuum at } g \sim -\pi/2$$

$$\bar{\psi} \psi \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_{\nu} \phi,$$

$$\frac{\bar{\psi} \psi \leftrightarrow \frac{\Lambda}{\pi} \cos\phi,$$

$$\frac{4\pi}{t} = 1 + \frac{g}{\pi}.$$

$$\frac{\alpha_0}{t} = \frac{m_0 \Lambda}{\pi}.$$

$$m_0 = m \left(\mu/\Lambda \right)^{g/(g+\pi)},$$

$$\alpha_0 = \alpha \left(\mu/\Lambda \right)^{-t/4\pi}.$$

Dualities and phase structure

Thirring	sine-Gordon	XY
g	$\frac{4\pi^2}{t} - \pi$	$\frac{T}{K} - \pi$

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Picture from: K. Huang and J. Polonyi, 1991

The K-T phase transition at $T \sim K\pi/2$ in the XY model. $g \sim -\pi/2$, Coleman's instability point

The phase boundary at $t \sim 8\pi$ in the sine-Gordon theory.

The cosine term becomes relevant or irrelevant.

Thirring	sine-Gordon
$ar{\psi}\gamma_\mu\psi$	$\frac{1}{2\pi}\epsilon_{\mu\nu}\partial_{\nu}\phi$
$ar{\psi}\psi$	$rac{\Lambda}{\pi}cos\phi$

RG flows of the Thirring model

Perturbative expansion in mass

$$\beta_g \equiv \mu \frac{dg}{d\mu} = -64\pi \left(\frac{m}{\Lambda}\right)^2,$$

$$\beta_m \equiv \mu \frac{dm}{d\mu} = m \left[\frac{-2(g + \frac{\pi}{2})}{g + \pi} - \frac{256\pi^3}{(g + \pi)^2} \left(\frac{m}{\Lambda}\right)^2\right]$$



Lattice formulation and the MPS

Operator formalism and the Hamiltonian

• Operator formaliam of the Thirring model Hamiltonian

C.R. Hagen, 1967

$$H_{\rm Th} = \int dx \left[-i\bar{\psi}\gamma^1 \partial_1 \psi + m_0 \bar{\psi}\psi + \frac{g}{4} \left(\bar{\psi}\gamma^0 \psi\right)^2 - \frac{g}{4} \left(1 + \frac{2g}{\pi}\right)^{-1} \left(\bar{\psi}\gamma^1 \psi\right)^2 \right]$$

• Staggering, J-W transformation $(S_j^{\pm} = S_j^x \pm iS_j^y)$: J. Kogut and L. Susskind, 1975; A. Luther, 1976

$$\bar{H}_{XXZ} = \nu(g) \left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n}^{N-2} \left(S_n^+ S_{n+1}^- + S_{n+1}^+ S_n^- \right) + a \tilde{m}_0 \sum_{n}^{N-1} (-1)^n \left(S_n^z + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \Delta(g) \sum_{n}^{N-1} \left(S_n^z + \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(S_{n+1}^z + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$\nu(g) = \frac{2\gamma}{\pi \sin(\gamma)}, \quad \tilde{m}_0 = \frac{m_0}{\nu(g)}, \quad \Delta(g) = \cos(\gamma), \text{ with } \gamma = \frac{\pi - g}{2}$$

$$\overline{H_{XXZ}}^{(\text{penalty})} = \overline{H}_{XXZ} + \lambda \left(\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} S_n^z - S_{\text{target}} \right)^2$$

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Issue of large Hilbert space & DMRG/MPS

S. White, 1992; M.B. Hasting, 2004; F. Verstraeten and I. Cirac, 2006; ...

For a spin system of size n and local dimension d, $\dim(\mathcal{H}) = O(d^n)$.



Matrix product states in a nutshell



Matrix Product Operator





It is simple to compute local operator matrix elements with canonical states.

Simulation details for the phase structure

• Matrix product operator for the Hamiltonian (bulk)

$$W^{[n]} = \begin{pmatrix} 1_{2\times2} & -\frac{1}{2}S^+ & -\frac{1}{2}S^- & 2\lambda S^z & \Delta S^z & \beta_n S^z + \alpha 1_{2\times2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S^- \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S^+ \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & S^z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S^z \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1_{2\times2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta_n = \Delta + (-1)^n \,\tilde{m}_0 a - 2\lambda \,S_{\text{target}} \,,\, \alpha = \lambda \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{S_{\text{target}}^2}{N}\right) + \frac{\Delta}{4}$$

- Simulation parameters
 - **★** Twenty values of $\Delta(g)$, ranging from -0.9 to 1.0
 - **★** Fourteen values of $\tilde{m}_0 a$, ranging from 0 to 0.4
 - ***** Bond dimension D = 50, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600
 - ***** System size N = 400, 600, 800, 1000

Practice of MPS for DMRG



One step in a sweep of finite-size DMRG

Simulations and numerical results

Convergence of DMRG

- Start from random tensors at D=50, then go up in D
- DMRG converges fast at $\tilde{m}_0 a \neq 0$ and $\Delta(g) \gtrsim -0.7$



Entanglement entropy

Calabrese-Cardy scaling and the central charge

$$S_N(n) = \frac{c}{6} \ln\left[\frac{N}{\pi}\sin\left(\frac{\pi n}{N}\right)\right] + k$$



 \bigstar Calabrese-Cardy scaling observed at all values of $\Delta(g)$ for $\tilde{m}_0 a = 0$

Entanglement entropy

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 \bigstar Calabrese-Cardy scaling observed at $\Delta(g) \lesssim -0.7$ for $\tilde{m}_0 a \neq 0$

Entanglement entropy

Calabrese-Cardy scaling and the central charge



$$S_N(n) = \frac{c}{6} \ln\left[\frac{N}{\pi}\sin\left(\frac{\pi n}{N}\right)\right] + k$$

 \star Central charge is unity in the critical phase



 \star Evidence for a critical phase

Soliton correlators

S. Mandelstam, 1975; E. Witten, 1978



Chiral condensate

 $\hat{\chi} = a \left| \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle \right| = \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{n} (-1)^n S_n^z \right|$

Chiral condensate is not an order parameter

Probing the phase structure

 $C_{\text{string}}^{\text{pow}-\exp}(x) = Bx^{\eta}A^{x} + C$

 $\Delta(g)$

Conclusion and outlook

• Concluding results for phase structure

★ KT-type transition observed using the MPS

• Current and future work

★ Excited-state spectrum and the continuum limit

---- Exploratory spectrum results presented at Lattice 2017

★ Real-time dynamics and dynamical phase transition

---- Exploratory results presented at Lattice 2019

Backup slides

Dynamical quantum phase transition

★ "Quenching": Sudden change of coupling strength in time evolution $H(g_1)|0_1\rangle = E_0^{(1)}|0_1\rangle$ and $|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iH(g_2)t}|0_1\rangle$

★ Questions: Any singular behaviour? Related to equilibrium PT?

 \star The Loschmidt echo and the return rate

$$L(t) = \langle 0_1 | e^{-iH(g_2)t} | 0_1 \rangle \quad \& \quad g(t) = -\lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \ln L(t)$$

c.f., the partition function and the free energy

In uMPS computed from the largest eigenvalue of the "transfer matrix"

Observing DQPT

★ DQPT is a "one-way" transition...

DQPT and eigenvalue crossing

 \star D-dependence in the crossing points

"Universality" in DQPT?

The Jordan-Wigner transformation

• The fermion fields satisfy

$$\{c_n, c_m\} = \{c_n^{\dagger}, c_m^{\dagger}\} = 0, \ \{c_n, c_m^{\dagger}\} = \delta_{n,m}.$$

• The Jordan-Wigner transformation

$$c_n = \exp\left(i\pi\sum_{j=1}^{n-1}S_j^z\right)S_n^-, \ c_n^{\dagger} = S_n^+ \exp\left(-i\pi\sum_{j=1}^{n-1}S_j^z\right)$$

expresses the the fermions fields in spins,

$$S_j^{\pm} = S_j^x \pm i S_j^y, \quad \left[S_i^a, S_j^b\right] = i \delta_{i,j} \epsilon^{abc} S_i^c$$

The singular value decomposition

$$(\Psi) = \sum_{i=1}^{D_A} \sum_{j=1}^{D_B} \Psi_{i,j} |i\rangle \otimes |j\rangle$$

 $\Psi_{i,j}$ can be regarded as elements of a $D_A \times D_B$ (assuming $(D_A \ge D_B)$ matrix. SVD

$$\Psi_{i,j} = \sum_{\alpha}^{D_B} U_{i,\alpha} \lambda_{\alpha} \left(V^{\dagger} \right)_{\alpha,j}$$
$$U^{\dagger} U = 1, \, V V^{\dagger} = 1$$

Discard small singular values

$$\Psi_{i,j} = \sum_{\alpha}^{D'_B < D_B} U_{i,\alpha} \lambda_\alpha \left(V^{\dagger} \right)_{\alpha,j}$$

Schmidt decomposition and entanglement

Truncating the Hilbert space by omitting small singular values