

# Entanglement Entropy in $(1+1)$ -d with Defects

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# Quantum Entanglement

- Quantum information and quantum computing: quantum entanglement as a resource for manipulating computational tasks.
- Condensed matter physics:
  - ★ Diagnose quantum critical phenomena
  - ★ Dynamics of strongly correlated quantum systems
  - ★ Characterize quantum phases of matter
- High energy theory:
  - ★ Measures of degrees of freedoms under RG flows in QFTs
  - ★ Holography

# Quantum Defects

- Defects are important tools in describing nature:
  - quantum impurities
  - boundaries of finite-size systems
  - domain walls separating differently-ordered regions
- Essential for understanding QFTs:
  - line defects
  - surface defects
  - domain walls

# Outlook

## Entanglement entropy in $(1+1)$ -d with defects:

- Entanglement entropy in 1d critical quantum spin chains with defects:
  - Transverse field Ising (TFI) model
  - Three-state Potts model

[wip w/ L. Grans-Samuelsson, A. Roy, H. Saleur]
- Field theoretical replica trick method

**Today:** bipartite quantum systems, total system in its ground state

# Spin chains and quantum simulation

- Digital quantum simulation: quench dynamics
- Analog quantum simulation: programmable Rydberg atom arrays

# Transverse Field Ising model



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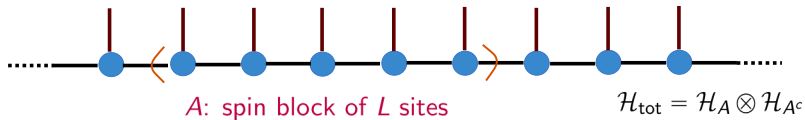
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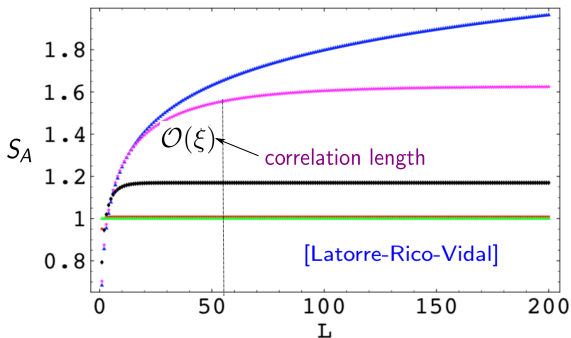
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- $h > 1$ : disordered phase (paramagnetic), gapped, symmetry preserving  
 $h < 1$ : ordered phase (ferromagnetic), gapped, symmetry breaking
- $h = 1$ , 2nd-order quantum phase transition  $\rightarrow$  Ising CFT

# Ground State Entanglement Entropy in TFI



$$S_A := -\text{Tr}[\rho_A \log \rho_A] \quad \rho_A := \text{Tr}_{A^c} |\Psi_g\rangle\langle\Psi_g| \quad \leftarrow \text{ground state}$$



$$h = 1$$

$$S_A = \frac{1}{6} \log L + S_0$$

$c/3$

[Holzhey-Larsen-Wilczek], [Calabrese-Cardy]

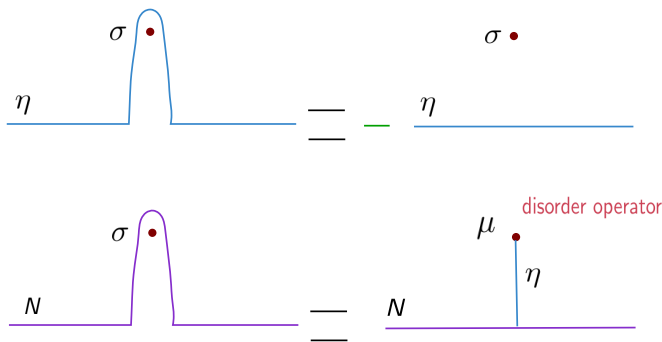


# Topological lines in the Ising CFT

- $c = 1/2$  diagonal RCFT, three Virasoro primaries:  $1_{0,0}$ ,  $\epsilon_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $\sigma_{\frac{1}{16},\frac{1}{16}}$
- Three Verlinde lines:  $I$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  line  $\eta$ , Kramers-Wannier duality line  $N$

$$\eta^2 = I, \quad N\eta = \eta N = N, \quad N^2 = 1 + \eta$$

[Moore-Seiberg],[Tamura-Yamagami],[Frohlich-Fuchs-Runkel-Schweigert],[Chang-Lin-Shao-Wang-Yin]...



# Topological defects in critical TFI

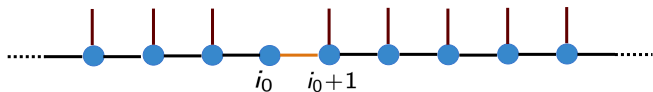
The  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -defect  $\eta$  and the duality defect  $N$  in critical transverse field Ising chain:

[Grimm-Schütz],[Oshikawa-Affleck],[Aasen-Mong-Fendley],[Hauru-Evenbly-Ho-Gaiotto-Vidal],[Roy-Saleur]

- $$H_{\eta,i_0} = - \sum_{i=1, i \neq i_0}^{N-1} \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z - \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i^x + \sigma_{i_0}^z \sigma_{i_0+1}^z$$

top.  $\leftrightarrow \exists$  local unitary relating  $H_{\eta,i_0}$  to  $H_{\eta,i_0+k}$ .  $\sigma_{i_0}^x H_{\eta,i_0} \sigma_{i_0}^x = H_{\eta,i_0-1}$

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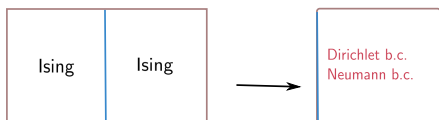
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$\text{Ising}^2 \approx \mathbb{Z}_2$ -orbifold of free cpt. boson

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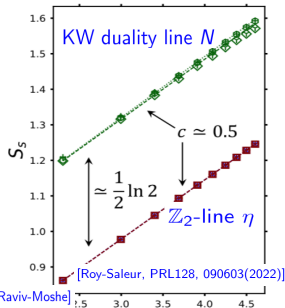
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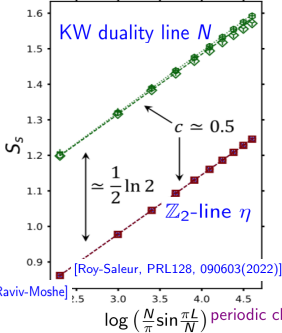
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- $c = 0.8$ , non-diagonal Virasoro  $M(6, 5)$ , 12 Virasoro primaries  
[Mong-Clarke-Alicea-Lindner-Fendley]

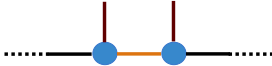
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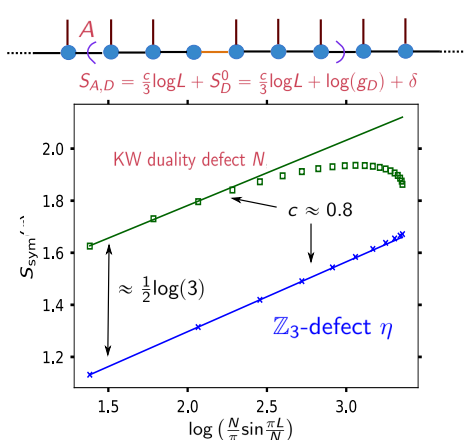
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$\mathbb{Z}_3$  Tambara-Yamagami  
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# Intermediate Summary

Entanglement entropy in 1d critical quantum spin chains with defects:

- **Transverse field Ising**: energy defects, duality defects
- **Three-state Potts**: topological defects
- Extract physical data from the scaling behavior of EE:  
central charge, defect  $g$ -function, defect strength

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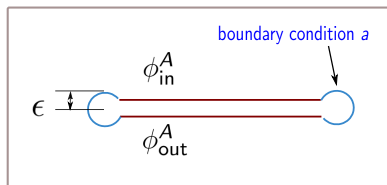


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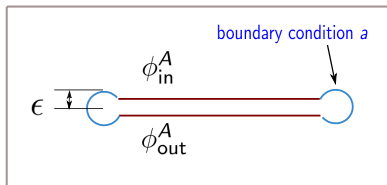


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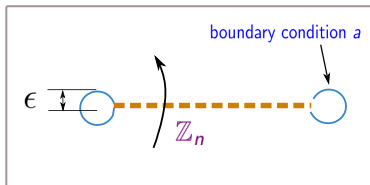
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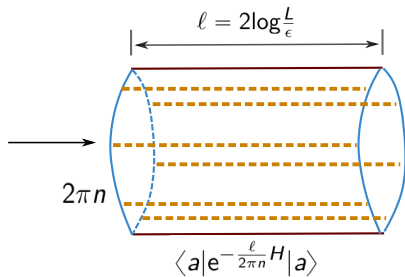
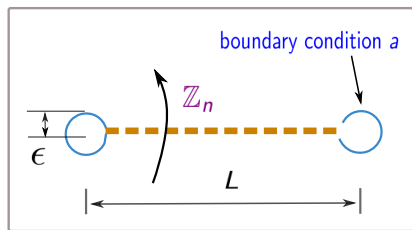


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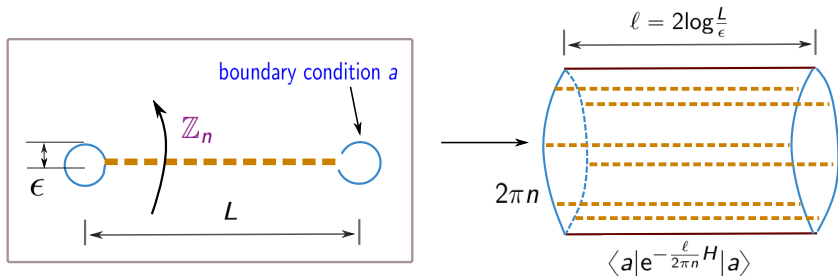


$$= \frac{Z_n}{(Z)^n} \quad Z_n: \text{p.f. on the n-fold cover}$$

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$$\text{Tr}_A(\rho_A^n) = \left(\frac{L}{\epsilon}\right)^{-2\Delta_n} g_a^{2(1-n)}$$

$$\Delta_n = \frac{c}{12} \left(n - \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$g_a := \langle 0|a \rangle$$

$$S^{(n)} = \frac{c}{6} \frac{n+1}{n} \log \frac{L}{\epsilon} + 2 \log(g_a)$$

$$S = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{L}{\epsilon} + 2 \log(g_a) = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{L}{\epsilon}$$

# The twist fields

$$\text{Tr}_A(\rho_A^n) = \frac{1}{(Z)^n} \times \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{boundary condition } a \\ \epsilon \\ \begin{array}{ccc} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} & & \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ | & & | \\ \text{---} & \text{---} & \text{---} \end{array} \\ \mathbb{Z}_n \end{array} \right] \\ = \frac{\epsilon^{2\Delta_n} g_a^{2(1-n)}}{L^{2\Delta_n}}$$

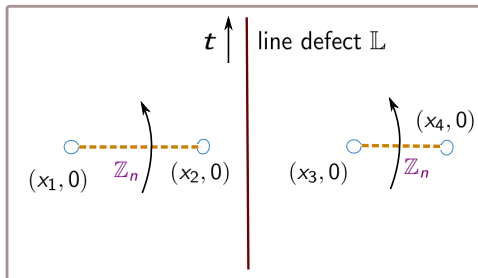
$$= \langle \Phi_n(z_1 = 0) \bar{\Phi}_n(z_2 = L) \rangle \quad \text{replica theory: } T^{\otimes n} / \mathbb{Z}_n$$

twist field: primary scalars with  $h = \bar{h} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta_n$

# The replica trick with line defects in 2d CFT

- Example: line defect  $\mathbb{L}$ , subsystem  $A = [x_1, x_2] \cup [x_3, x_4]$

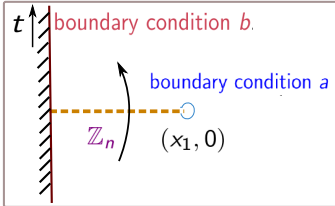
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$$S = \frac{c}{6} \log \frac{2x_1}{\epsilon} + \log(g_a) + \log(g_b) = \frac{c}{6} \log \frac{2x_1}{\epsilon'} + \log(g_b)$$

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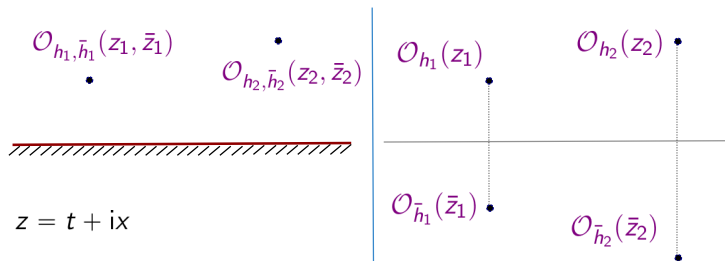
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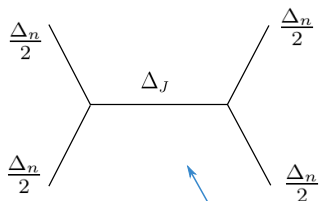
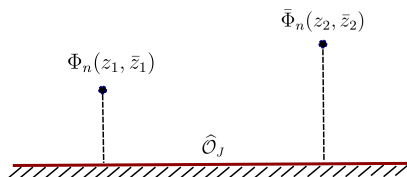


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$$\eta = \frac{(z_1 - \bar{z}_1)(z_2 - \bar{z}_2)}{(z_1 - \bar{z}_2)(z_2 - \bar{z}_1)} \in [0, 1]$$



# The boundary channel



$$\langle \Phi_n(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\Phi}_n(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \rangle_{b_n} = \left( \frac{\eta}{4x_1 x_2} \right)^{\Delta_n} \sum_J \mathcal{B}_{\Phi_n, \hat{O}_J}^{b_n} \mathcal{B}_{\bar{\Phi}_n, \hat{O}_J}^{b_n} \mathcal{F}(nc, \Delta_J; \frac{\Delta_n}{2} | \eta)$$

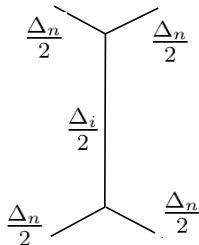
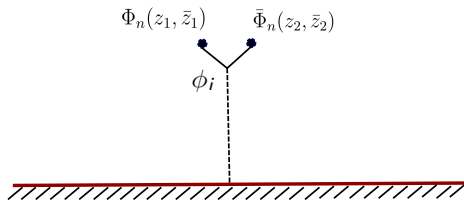
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$\eta \rightarrow 0:$

$$\frac{\mathcal{A}_{\Phi_n}^{b_n} \mathcal{A}_{\bar{\Phi}_n}^{b_n}}{(4x_1 x_2)^{\Delta_n}} = \frac{g_b^{2-2n} \epsilon'^{2\Delta_n}}{(4x_1 x_2)^{\Delta_n}}$$

$$\Phi_n(z, \bar{z}) = \sum_J \frac{\mathcal{B}_{\Phi_n, \hat{O}_J}^{b_n}}{(2x)^{\Delta_n - \Delta_J}} \hat{O}_J(t) + \text{desc}$$

# The bulk channel



$$\langle \Phi_n(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\Phi}_n(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \rangle_{b_n} = \left( \frac{1 - \eta}{|z_1 - z_2|^2} \right)^{\Delta_n} \sum_i C_{\Phi_n, \bar{\Phi}_n}^{\phi_i} \mathcal{A}_{\phi_i}^{b_n} \mathcal{F}(nc, \frac{\Delta_i}{2}; \frac{\Delta_n}{2} | 1 - \eta)$$

bulk primaries
3-pt coeff.

$$\eta \rightarrow 1 \quad \frac{C_{\Phi_n, \bar{\Phi}_n}^I \mathcal{A}_I^{b_n}}{|z_1 - z_2|^{2\Delta_n}} = \frac{\epsilon^{I 2\Delta_n}}{|z_1 - z_2|^{2\Delta_n}}$$

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# Summary

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- Field theoretical replica trick method

# Thank You!