

# Local quench and probing in the Ising chain

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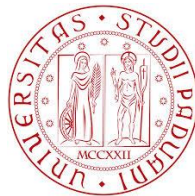


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# Outline:

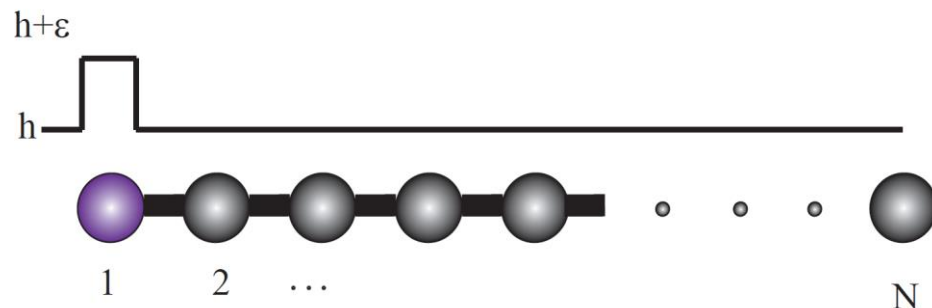
1. Ising chain + defect : **phase diagram**  
**zero modes and localized states**
2. Surface Magnetization: **singular behavior**  
**finite size scaling**
3. Local Quench: **propagation of a “magnetization wave”**  
**the role of the Majorana mode**



# Ising chain + (surface) defect

## Hamiltonian:

$$H = -\epsilon \hat{\sigma}_1^z - h \sum_{n=1}^N \hat{\sigma}_n^z - \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \hat{\sigma}_n^x \hat{\sigma}_{n+1}^x$$

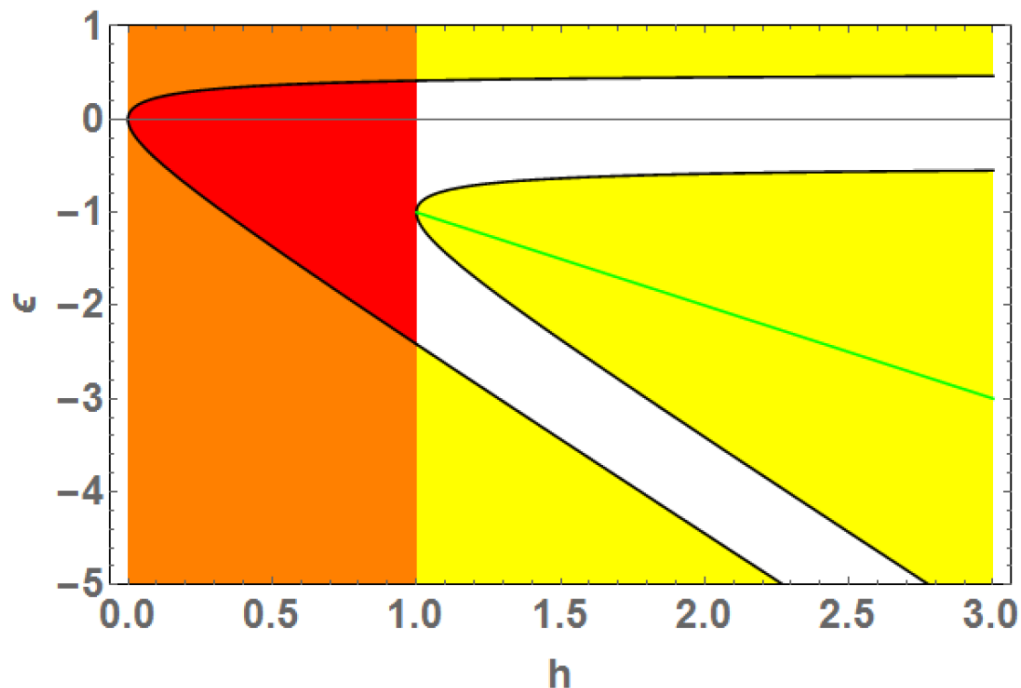


## JW + Bogoliubov

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^\alpha \longrightarrow \hat{c}_n$$

$$\hat{\eta}_k = \sum_i g_{k,i} \hat{c}_i + h_{k,i} \hat{c}_i^\dagger$$

$$H = \sum_k \Lambda_k \hat{\eta}_k^\dagger \hat{\eta}_k$$



# some details.....



**Nambu-vector formalism:**

$$\vec{\hat{c}} = \left( \hat{c}_1, \hat{c}_2, \dots, \hat{c}_N, \hat{c}_1^\dagger, \hat{c}_2^\dagger, \dots, \hat{c}_N^\dagger \right)^T$$

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**Bogoliubov transform:**

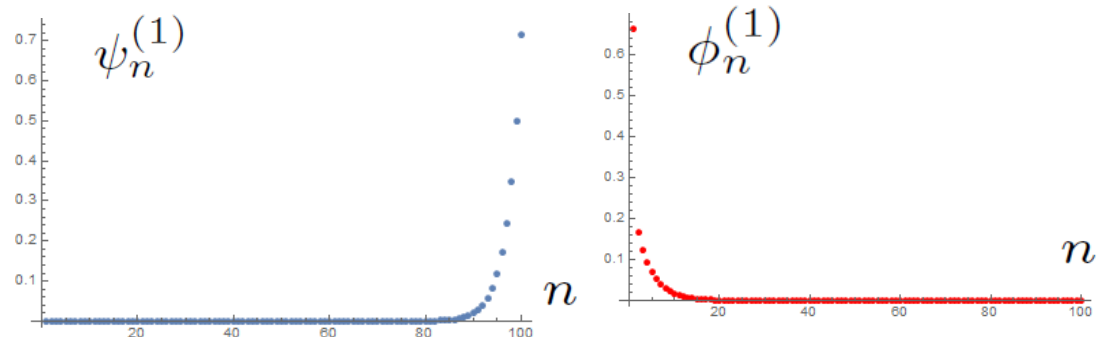
$$\vec{\hat{\eta}} = U \vec{\hat{c}} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} g & h \\ h^* & g^* \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} g &= \frac{1}{2} (\phi + \psi) \\ h &= \frac{1}{2} (\phi - \psi) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{cases} \phi_k^T (A - B) = \Lambda_k \psi_k \\ \psi_k^T (A + B) = \Lambda_k \phi_k \end{cases}$$

$\{h, \epsilon\}$	$\Lambda$	$\psi$	$\phi$
$\forall \{h, \epsilon\}$	$\Lambda_\kappa = 2\sqrt{1+h^2-2h\cos\theta_\kappa}$	$\psi_n(\theta_k) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{h \sin(n\theta_k) + \epsilon(2h+\epsilon) \sin((n-1)\theta_k)}{\sqrt{h^2+\epsilon^2(2h+\epsilon)^2+2h\epsilon(2h+\epsilon)\cos\theta_k}}$	$\phi_n(\theta_k) = \frac{2h}{\Lambda(\theta_k)} \psi_n(\theta_k) + \frac{2\epsilon\delta_{n1}}{\Lambda(\theta_k)} \psi_1(\theta_k) - \frac{2(1-\delta_{n1})}{\Lambda(\theta_k)} \psi_{n-1}(\theta_k)$
 I	$\Lambda^{(1)} = \frac{2 h+\epsilon (1-h^2)h^{N-1}}{\sqrt{ 1+\epsilon^2+2h\epsilon }}$	$\psi_n^{(1)} = \sqrt{1-h^2} \left( h^{N-n} - \frac{(\epsilon+h)^2 h^{N+n-2}}{1+2\epsilon h+\epsilon^2} \right)$	$\phi_n^{(1)} = \frac{\sqrt{ 1+2h\epsilon+\epsilon^2 }\sqrt{1-h^2}}{ h+\epsilon (1+2\epsilon h+\epsilon^2)} \left( 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{h} (\delta_{n1} + (1-\delta_{n1})(2+\frac{\epsilon}{h})) \right) h^n$
 II	$\Lambda^{(2)} = 2 h+\epsilon  \sqrt{\frac{1+\epsilon^2+2h\epsilon}{\epsilon(2h+\epsilon)}}$	$\psi_n^{(2)} = \frac{(-1)^n \sqrt{(\epsilon(2+\frac{\epsilon}{h}))^2-1}}{(\epsilon(2+\frac{\epsilon}{h}))^n}$	$\phi_n^{(2)} = \frac{2h}{\Lambda^{(2)}} \psi_n^{(2)} + \frac{2\epsilon\delta_{n1}}{\Lambda^{(2)}} \psi_1^{(2)} - 2\frac{1-\delta_{n1}}{\Lambda^{(2)}} \psi_{n-1}^{(2)}$

## Orange region: distorted Majorana (boundary) fermion

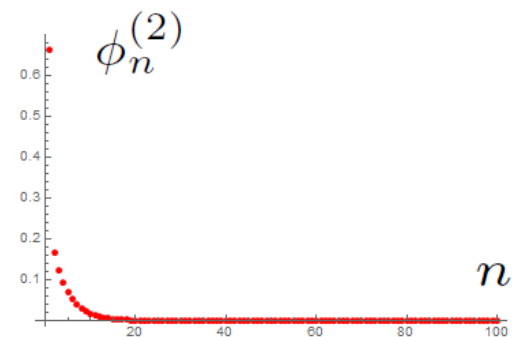
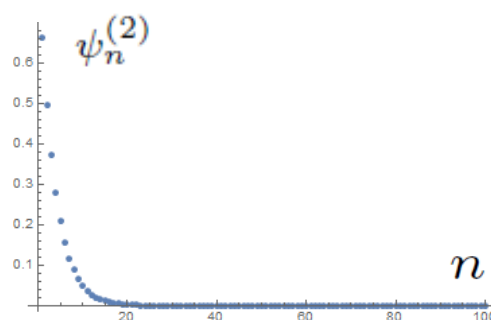
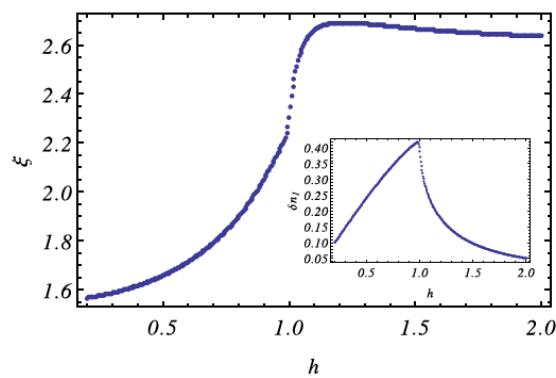
$$\Lambda^{(1)} = \frac{2|h+\epsilon|(1-h^2)h^{N-1}}{\sqrt{|1+\epsilon^2+2h\epsilon|}}$$

this becomes the Kitaev solution when  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$



## Yellow (+ red) region: localized (impurity) state

$$\Lambda^{(2)} = 2|h+\epsilon| \sqrt{\frac{1+\epsilon^2+2h\epsilon}{\epsilon(2h+\epsilon)}}$$



**Green line:** the edge state becomes a zero mode

# Surface Magnetization

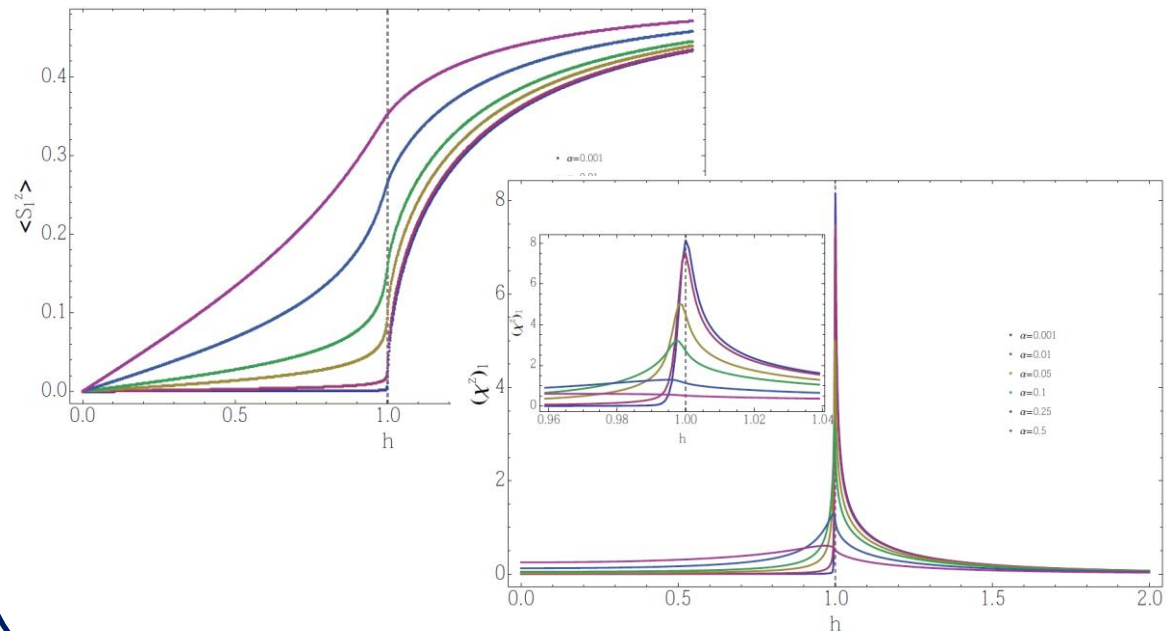
## Local Magnetization:

$$\langle S_n^z \rangle = \frac{\langle \sigma_n^z \rangle}{2} = \frac{1}{2} - \langle c_n^\dagger c_n \rangle$$

Surface  
Magnetization  
detects the phase !

## Surface magnetization (thermodynamics limit)

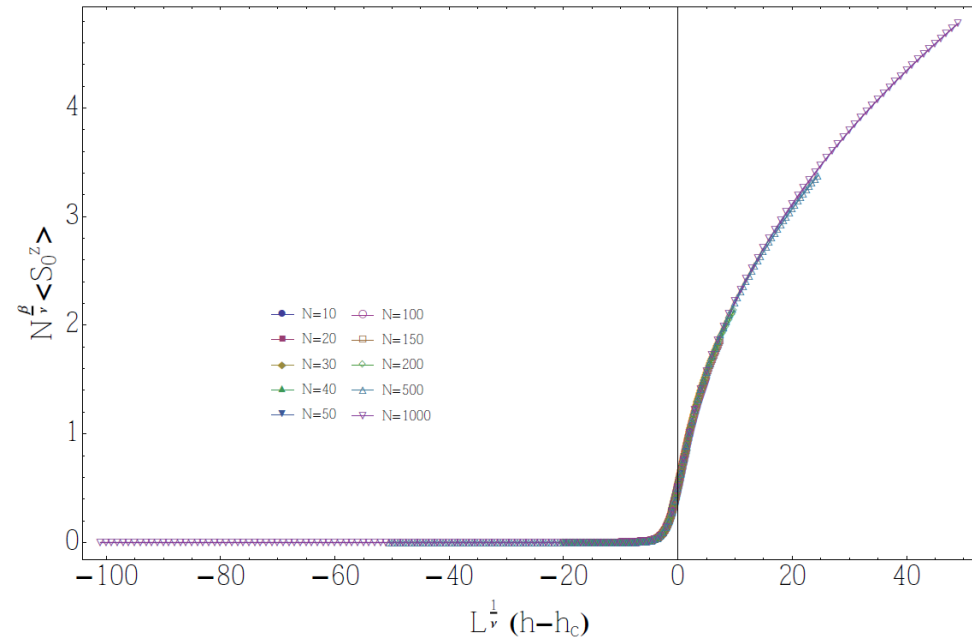
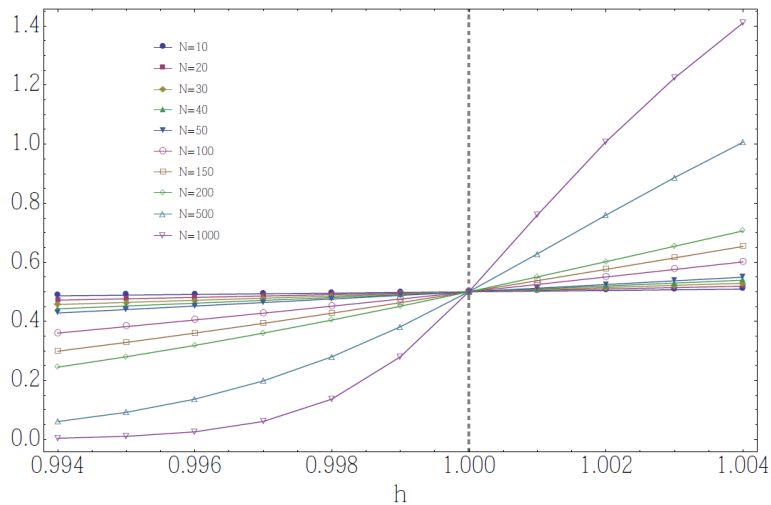
$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow -h^\pm} \langle S_1^z \rangle = \mp \frac{\sqrt{h^2 - 1}}{2h} \Theta(h - 1)$$



# Finite size and scaling

## Scaling Ansatz

$$\langle \sigma_1^z \rangle = N^{-\frac{\beta}{\nu}} f \left( (h - h_c) N^{\frac{1}{\nu}} \right)$$



## Critical exponents

$$\nu=1, \quad \beta=\frac{1}{2}$$

Universal behavior !



# A special quantum quench: switching off the defect

(t-dependent) local magnetization after suddenly removing the defect ( $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ):

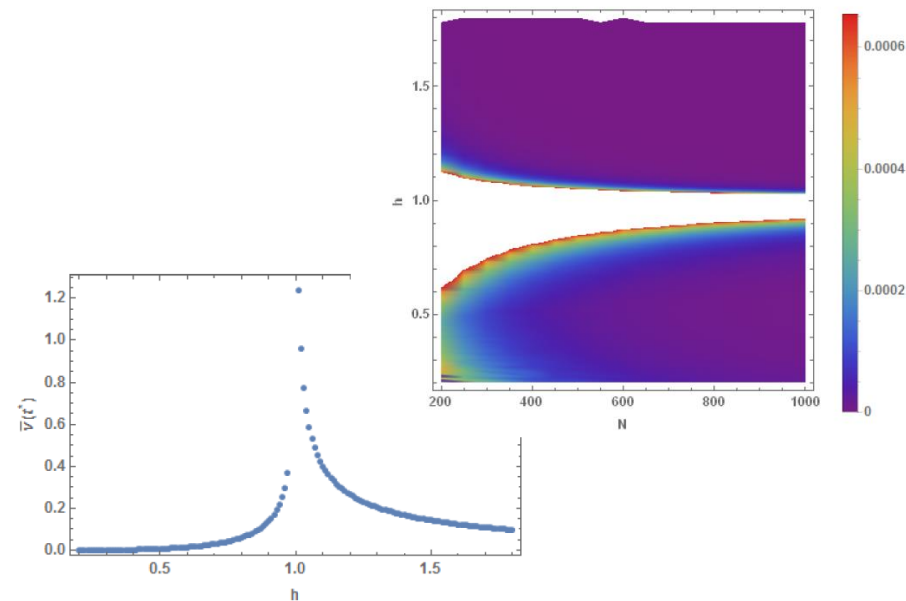
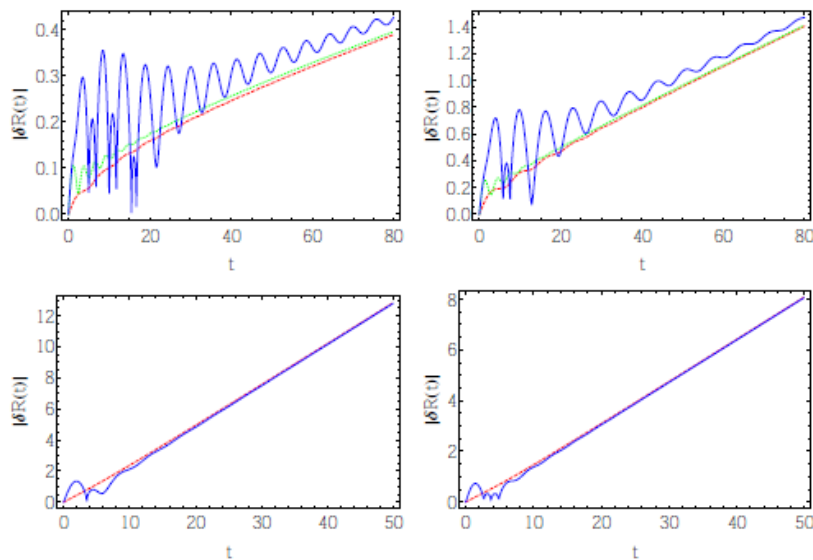
$$\delta n_i(t) = \langle c_i^\dagger(t) c_i(t) \rangle - \langle c_i^\dagger c_i \rangle_{GS'}$$

Root mean square magnetization position and speed

$$R^2(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta n_i(t) (i-1)^2$$

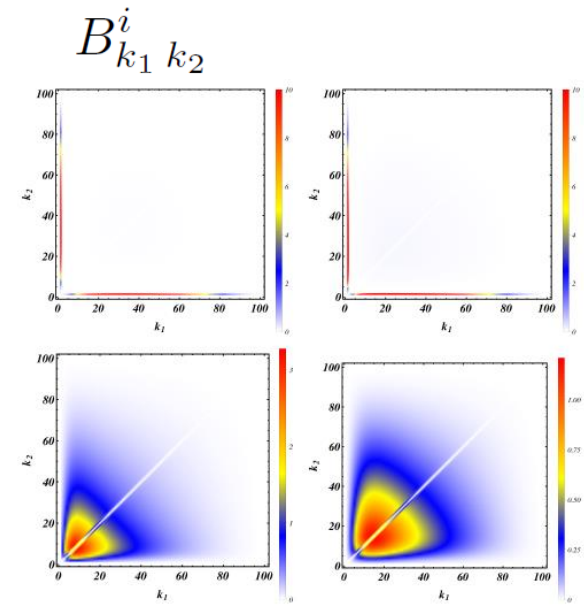
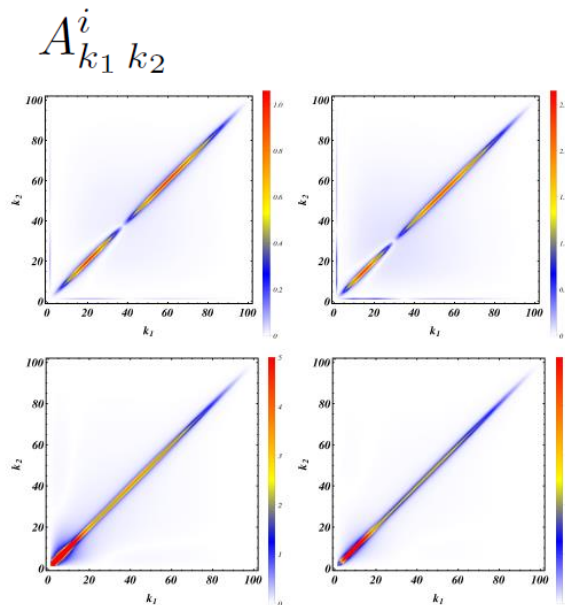
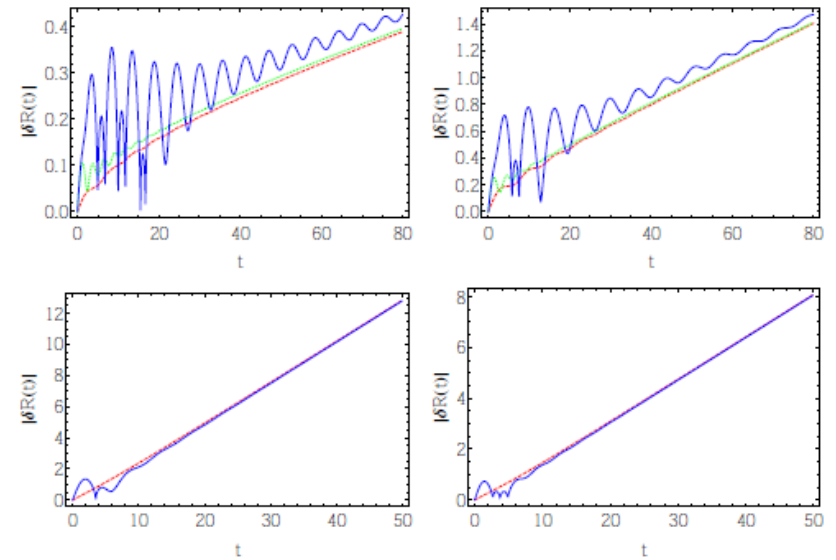


$$v(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \sqrt{|R^2(t) - R^2(0)|}$$



# Local detection of the Majorana mode

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta n_i(t) &= \langle c_i^\dagger(t) c_i(t) \rangle - \langle c_i^\dagger c_i \rangle_{GS'} \\
 &= \sum_{k_1, k_2} A_{k_1 k_2}^i \cos((\Lambda'_{k_1} - \Lambda'_{k_2})t) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k_1, k_2} B_{k_1 k_2}^i \cos((\Lambda'_{k_1} + \Lambda'_{k_2})t)
 \end{aligned}$$



## Summary :

- ☒ Static properties of an Ising chain + local defect
- ☒ Surface Magnetization
- ☒ Disturbance propagation properties
- ☒ Role of the Majorana mode