

Dynamics with free fermions in disguise

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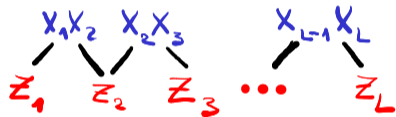
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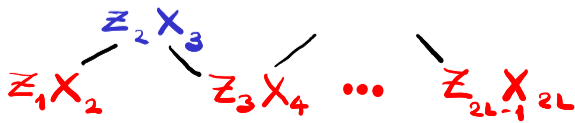
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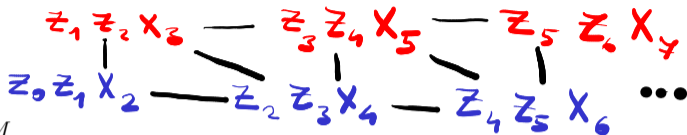
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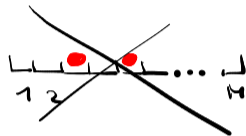
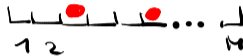
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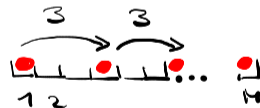
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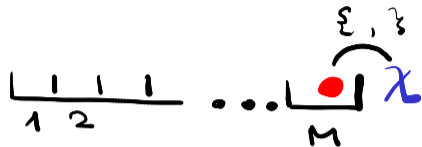
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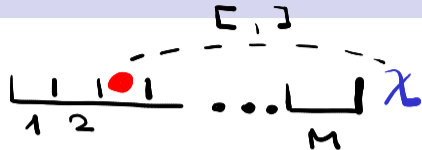
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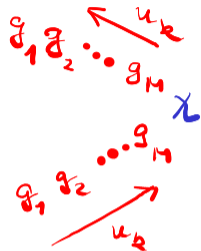
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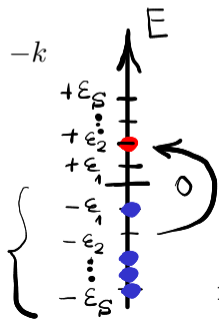
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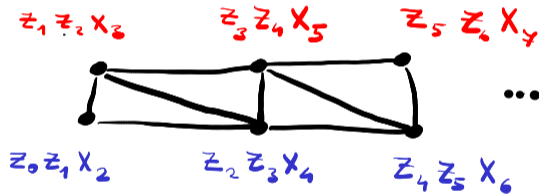
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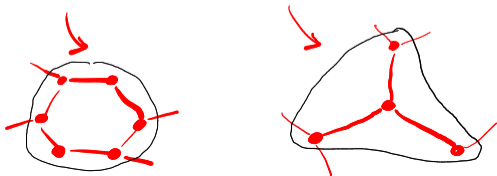
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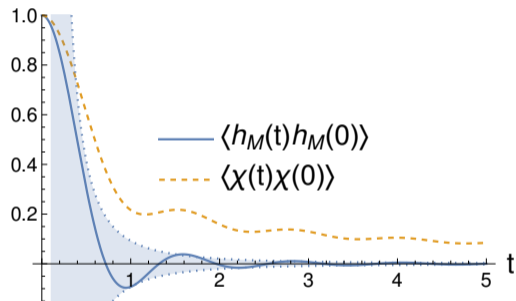
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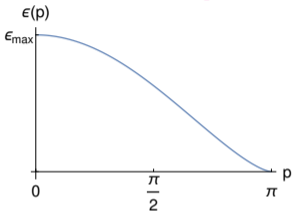
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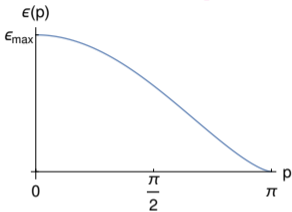
Dispersion relation in TDL [Fendley:1901.08078]



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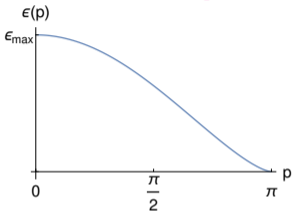


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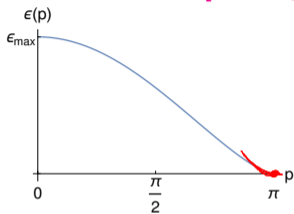


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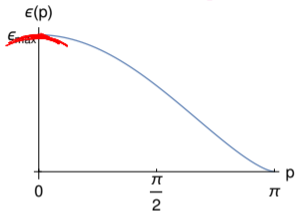
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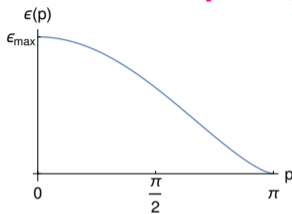
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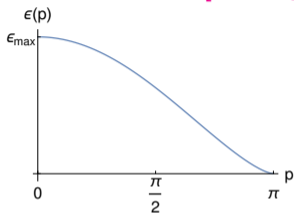
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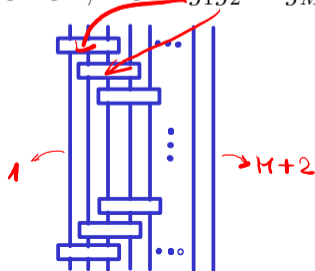
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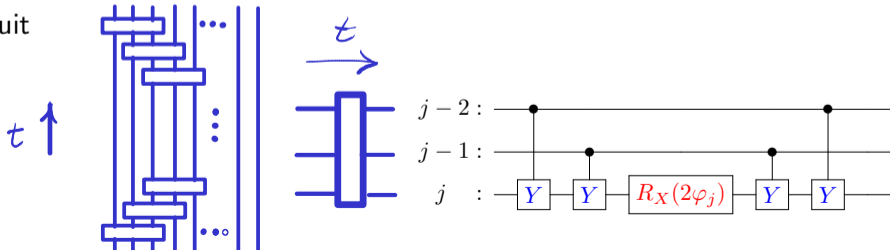
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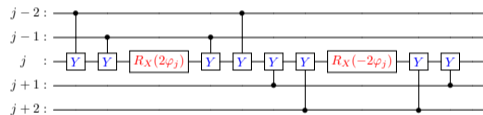
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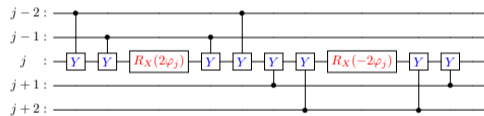
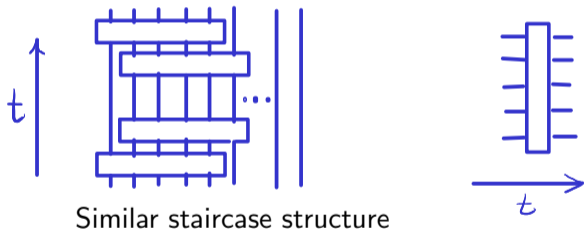


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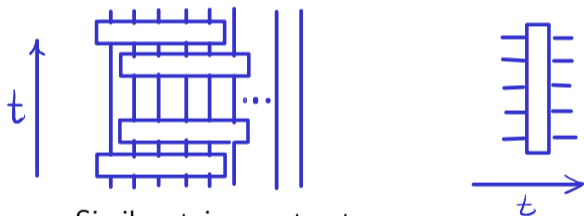
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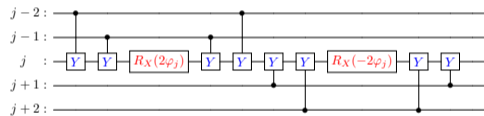
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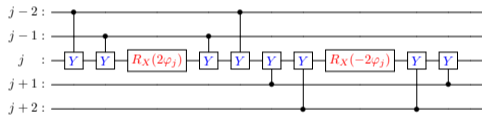
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