

Excited-state quantum phase transition and quantum speed limit

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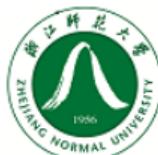


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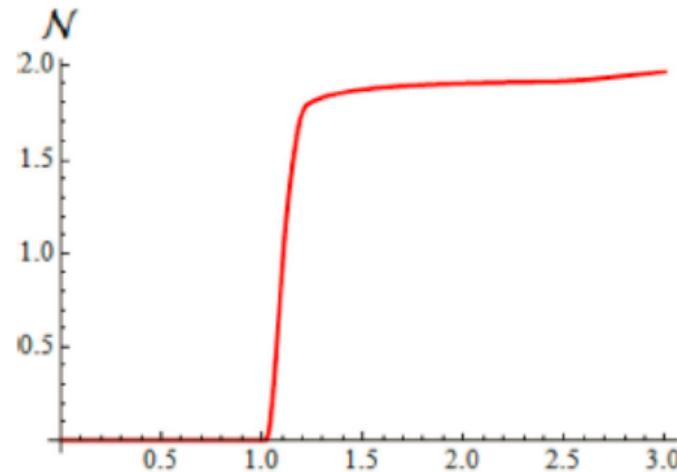
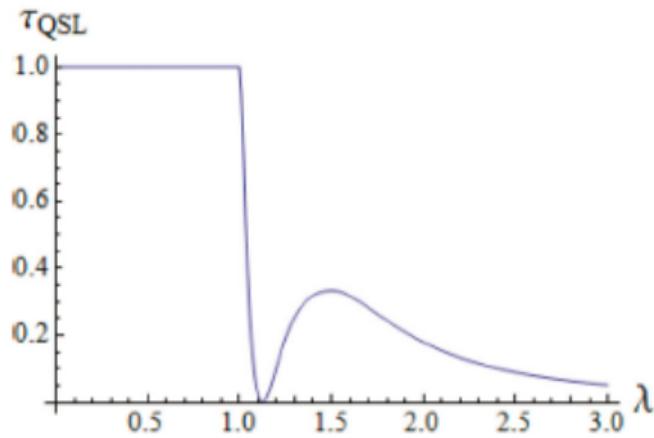
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QSL time in Lipkin model

$$H = -2s_z - \frac{\lambda}{N}(J_+J_- + J_-J_+) - 2J_z - \lambda'(s_+J_- + s_-J_+)$$



[L. Hou, B. Shao, and J. Zou, Eur. Phys. J. D **70**, 35 (2016)]

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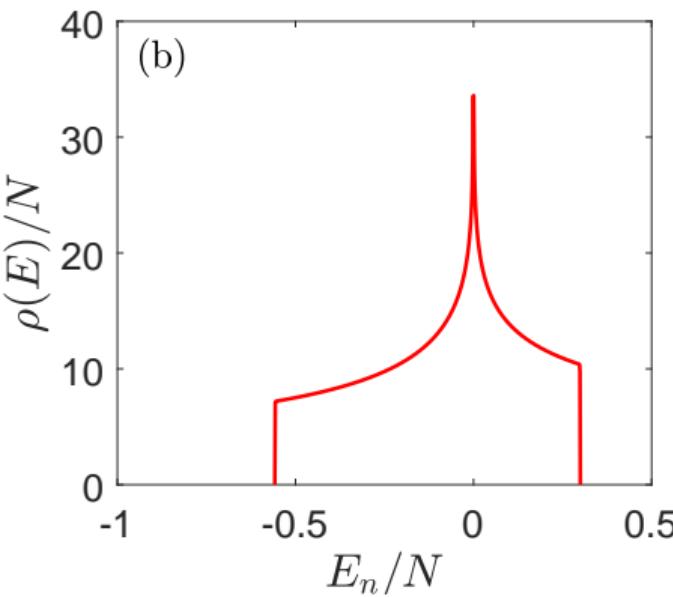
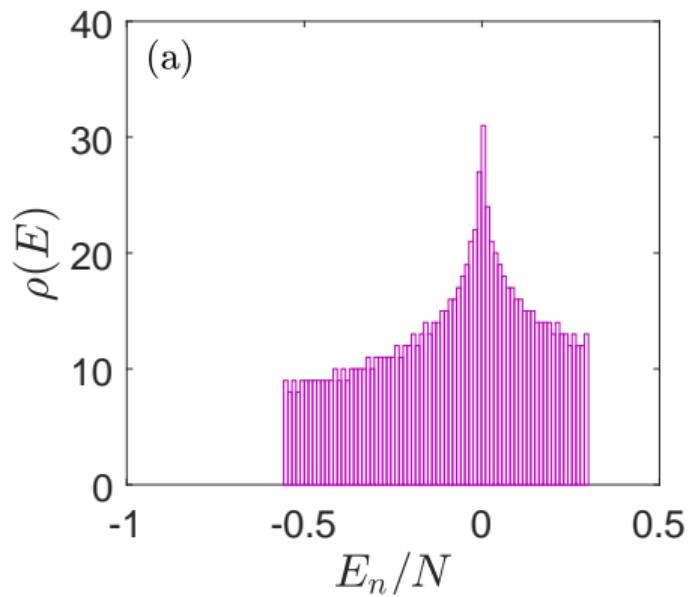
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Model and QSL time

$$H = \sigma_z - \frac{4(1-\alpha)}{N} J_x^2 + \alpha \left(J_z + \frac{N}{2} \right) + \lambda \sigma_z J_z$$



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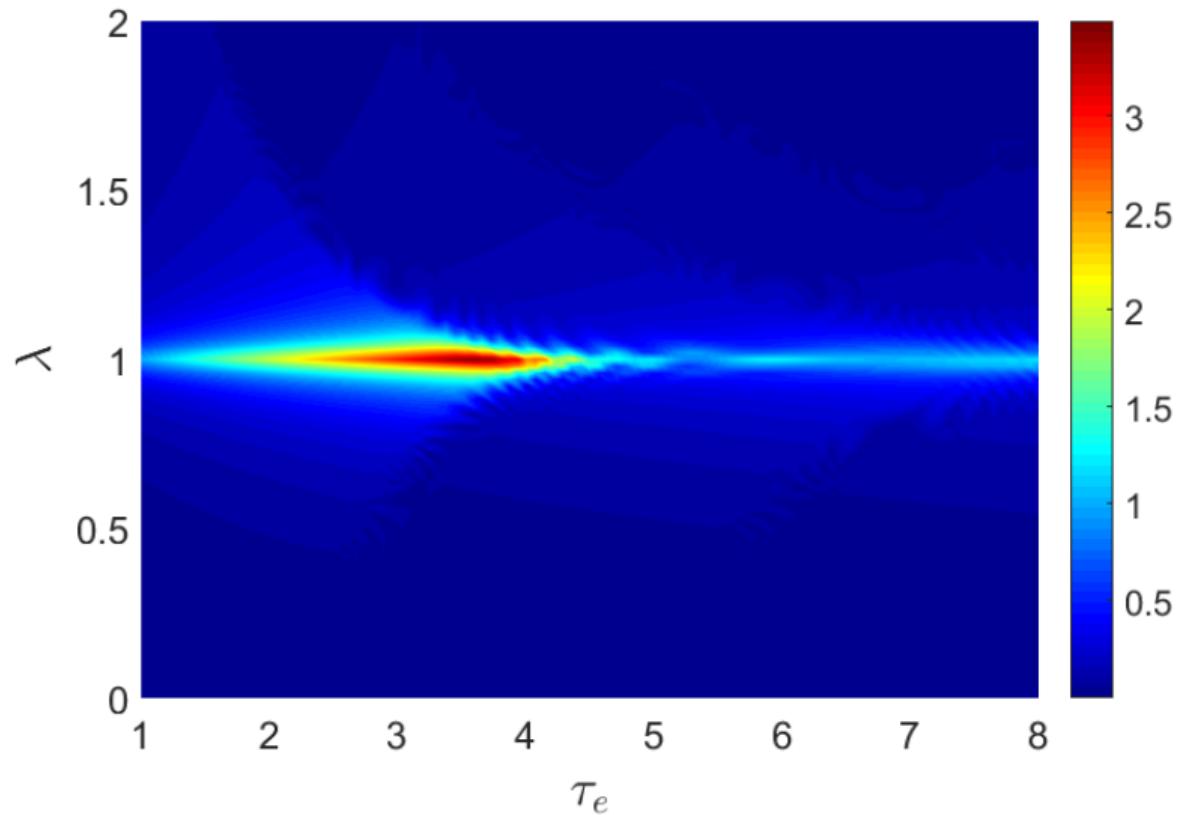
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$$\tau_{\text{QSL}} = \frac{\sin(\theta)\{1 - \mathcal{R}[\mathcal{M}(\tau_e)]\}}{(1/\tau_e) \int_0^{\tau_e} dt |\partial_t \mathcal{M}(t)|}$$

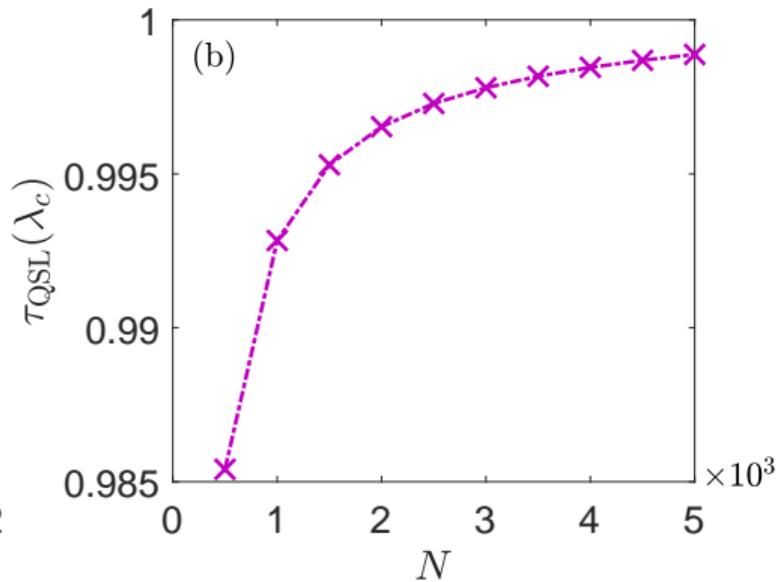
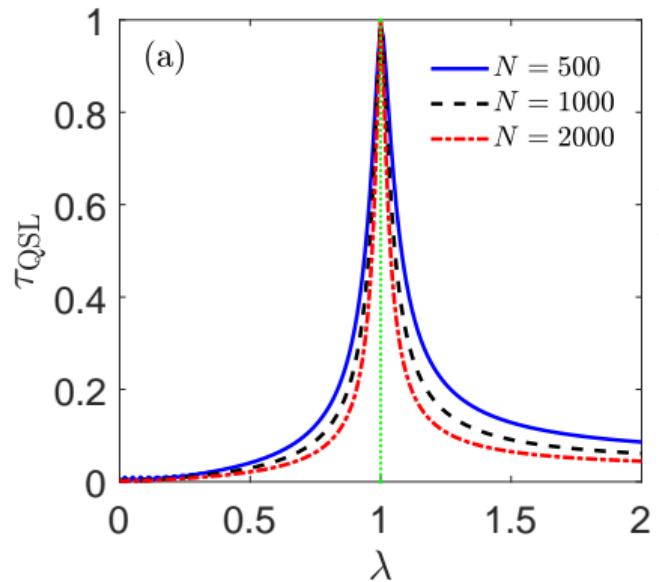
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Numerical results

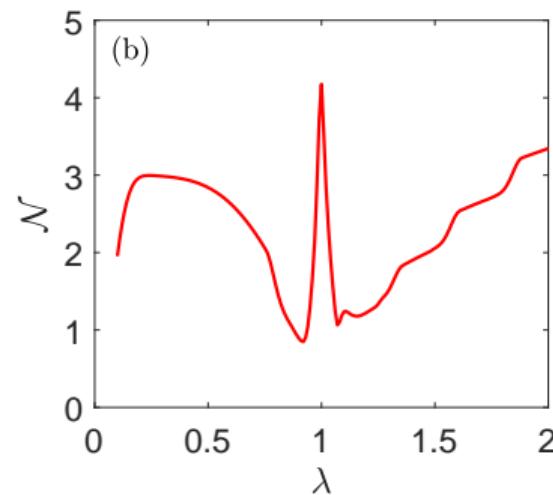
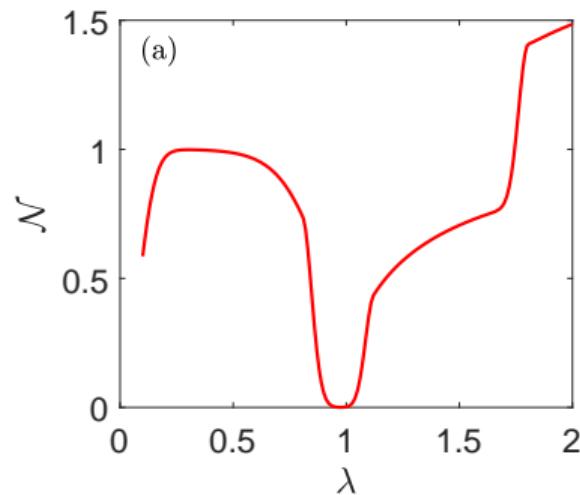


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Non-Markovianity

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{N} = \max_{\rho_{1,2}(0)} \int_{\eta > 0} \eta[t, \rho_{1,2}(0)] dt \\ \eta[t, \rho_{1,2}(0)] = \partial_t D[\rho_1(t), \rho_2(t)] \\ D[\rho_1(t), \rho_2(t)] = \text{Tr}|\rho_1(t) - \rho_2(t)|/2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{N} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_0^{\tau_e} |\partial_t D(t)| dt + |\mathcal{M}(\tau_e)| - 1 \right] \\ D(t) = |\mathcal{M}(t)| \end{array} \right.$$

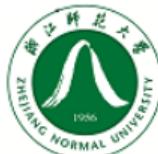


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Summary

- The QSL time exhibits a sharp peak at the critical point of ESQPT;
- At the critical point, increase the size of environment will lead to the QSL time approach the actual evolution time;
- In contrast to the ground state QPT, the critical behavior of QSL time in ESQPT case can not be interpreted via the Markovian nature of the environment.

Thank you!

