

# Quantum Percolation Theory: Wave Localization on Topological Structures

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Coffee is poured on top of some porous material. Will the liquid be able to make its way from hole to hole and reach the bottom?

A site (bond) is occupied with probability p or empty with probability 1 - p.



bond percolation



site percolation





**Infinite Cluster** 

Thermodynamic Limit: Size ->  $\infty$ 

Does an infinite open cluster exist?

"Connectivity"

There is a critical probability  $p_c$ , below which such an infinite cluster does **not** exist (with unitary probability) while above which such a cluster most surely exists.

Order parameter:  $P_{\infty}(p) / \sum_{s} P_{s}(p)$ .

The fraction of occupied sites that belong to the infinite cluster; goes from 0 to 1 as p increases.



Size ->  $100\times100$  sites

$$p = 0.3$$





Size ->  $100\times100$  sites

p = 0.6





**Infinite Cluster** 

Size ->  $100\times100$  sites

p = 0.9





#### **Quantum Percolation Theory**

Main difference: Each site j is not only "0" or "1", but has a complex amplitude  $a_i$ !

#### Hamiltonian (tight-band model)

Two different sites A and B with energies  $E_A$  and  $E_B$  are placed randomly on the grid with fractions p and 1 - p, respectively.

Interaction between nearest neighbors is V.

If  $E_B$  is much larger than  $E_A$ , then eigen-functions with non-zero amplitude on B sites should have much larger eigen-energies which belong to a higher energy band (B subband); while we are only interested in the A subband.

Set  $E_A = 0$  and V = 1, the Hamiltonian can be written as

 $H = \sum_{j,k} |j\rangle \langle k|$ , j, k are nearest neighbors only on A sites.

#### Now we see *H* is the adjacent matrix of the grid (network)!



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A "static" system with  $a_j$  constants.

#### **Quantum Percolation Theory**

 $i a_j = \sum_k a_k$ , j, k are nearest neighbors (on A sites); determine how wave (information) transmits.

#### A complex feedback dynamic system.



**Material Science** 



**Statistical** 

Epidemiology

**Physics** 



#### **Anderson Localization**

Given  $i\dot{a}_j = \sum_k a_k$ . What will happen to  $a_0(t)$  if we put  $a_0(0) = 1$  at t = 0? Can the amplitude spread infinitely long?

Essential condition: there exists an infinite open cluster!

But that's not enough...

There must exist an eigenstate which is not localized!

Localized states exist even in the infinite cluster.

 $B = \frac{B}{1/2} = 0$   $B = \frac{1}{2} = 0$ 

Quantum phase transition: extended states appear when  $p > p_q$ ;

Quantum critical probability:  $p_q$  (one must have  $p_q > p_c$ ).



**Anderson Localization** 

In 1958, Anderson proved that all eigenstates are localized in disordered grids when  $d \leq 2$ , which means  $p_q = 1$ .



Density of states of a d > 2 disordered system.



#### **Anderson Localization**

$$\begin{split} \gamma &= \langle max\{E_i - E_{i-1}, E_{i+1} - E_i\} / min\{E_i - E_{i-1}, E_{i+1} - E_i\} \rangle_i, \\ E_{i-1}, E_i, E_{i+1} \text{ are three consecutive energy levels.} \end{split}$$





Energy level spacing: Wigner-Dyson distribution vs. Poisson distribution

# Results 2D Grid

*p* = 0.99









$$p=0.99, E_g pprox -4.0$$

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#### $p=0.99, E_e \approx 4.0$



# **Results** 2D Grid

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## **Results** Barabasi-Albert Model

BA model with  $N = 10^4$ ,  $\langle k \rangle = 4 \times 10^4$ .  $p \approx 0.3$ ,  $E_g \approx$ -8.7.



# Results 2D Grid



# Results 3D Grid



# **Results** Barabasi-Albert Model



# **Results** Barabasi-Albert Model



### **Results** Scale-Free Model



## **Results** Scale-Free Model



# Results 2D Grid



# Results 3D Grid



# **Results** Barabasi-Albert Model



# **Results** Barabasi-Albert Model







# **Results** Scale-Free Model



# Conclusion

□ Wave transmission can be blocked even if the network is fully connected.

□ Compared with grids, scale-free networks are more connectable with classical percolation, but less connectable with quantum percolation.

# **Future Work**

**Critical exponents.** 

**Quantum entanglement network: dimension of Hilbert space**  $n \rightarrow 2^n$ .

**Open system dynamics: stability of hubs of networks.** 

# Thank you