

On Entanglement Hamiltonians in 1D free lattice models



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Entanglement: a crossroad of interests

Quantum Information

Experiments

Tensor networks

Lattice models

this talk

Condensed Matter

QFT

Quantum Gravity

Quantum computation

RG flows

AdS/CFT

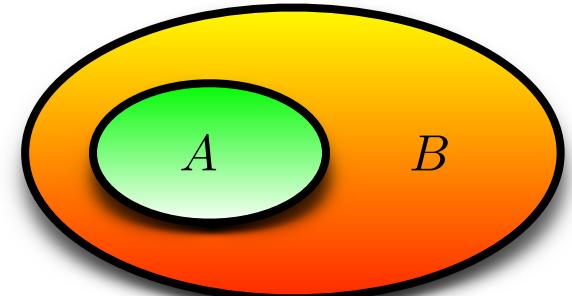
Black holes

Entangle This
(large N -th)

Entanglement Entropy (EE), EH & Contour for EE

■ Quantum system in its ground state: $\rho = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$

Factorised Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$



■ A's reduced density matrix

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B \rho$$

e.g.: spatial bipartition

(normalisation: $\text{Tr}\rho_A = 1$)

■ Entanglement Entropy (EE) $S_A \equiv -\text{Tr}_A(\rho_A \log \rho_A)$

$$\rho_A \propto e^{-\hat{K}_A}$$

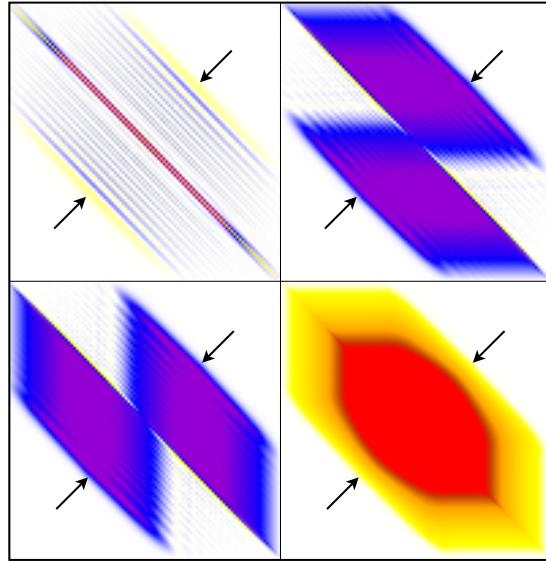
Entanglement Hamiltonian (EH) \hat{K}_A

$$S_A = \sum_{i \in A} s_A(i)$$

Contour function for the EE $s_A(i)$

$s_A(i) \geq 0$ (and other requirements)

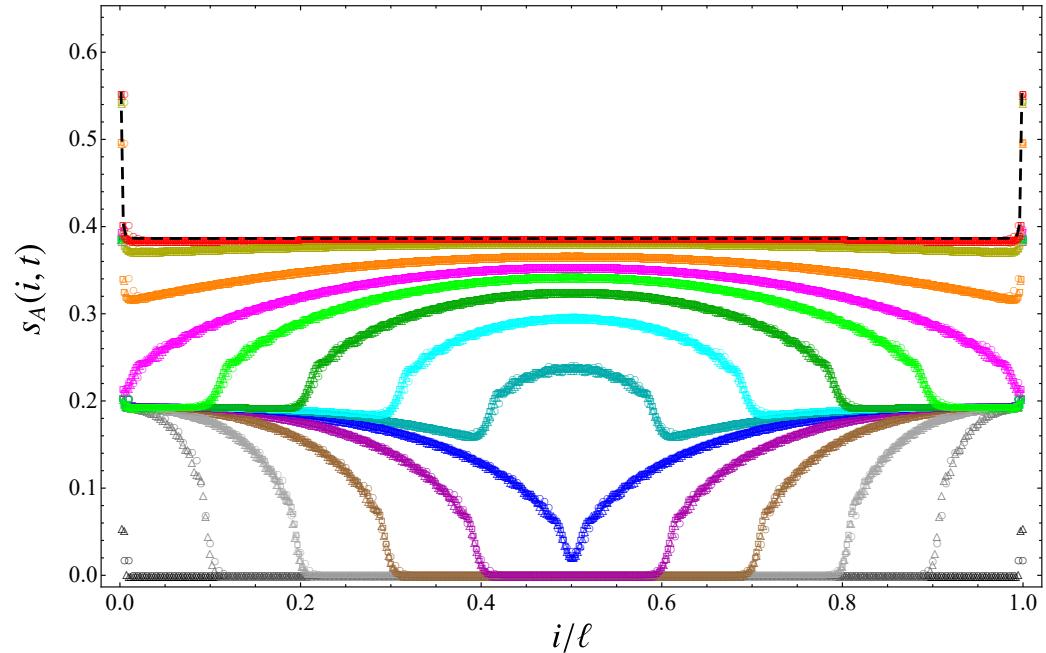
Outline



- Entanglement Hamiltonians (EH) in CFT
- EH and contours for the EE in
 - harmonic chains (HC)
 - free fermions chains (FFC)
- Continuum limit of the EH
of an interval in a FFC [Eisler, E.T., Peschel, (2019)]

[Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]

- Two global quantum quenches:
temporal evolutions of
 - EH matrices
 - Contours for the EE
- Insights from CFT and
from the quasi-particle picture

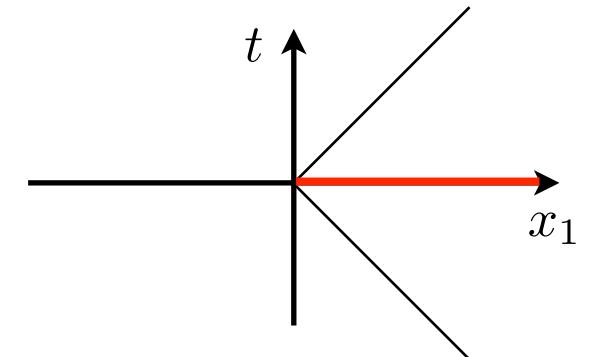


EH in field theories: Bisognano-Wichmann & CFT

- QFT in its ground state, A is the (right) half-space $x_1 > 0$ in $\mathbb{R}^{1,d-1}$

$$\hat{K}_A = \int_A x_1 T_{00} d^{d-1}x$$

\hat{K}_A is the generator of the Lorentz boosts
in the (right) Rindler wedge [Bisognano, Wichmann, (1975)]

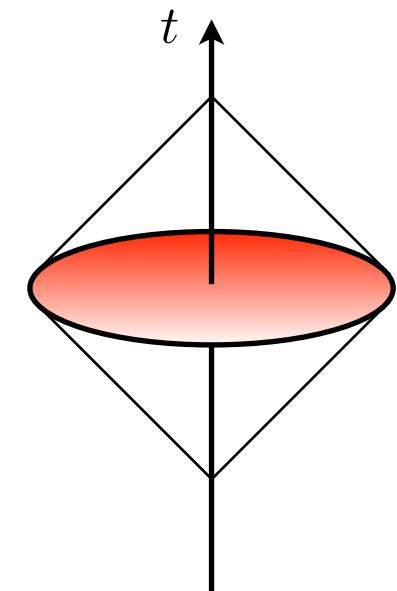


- CFT $_d$ and A is a ball of radius R

$$\hat{K}_A = 2\pi \int_A \frac{R^2 - r^2}{2R} T_{00} d^{d-1}x$$

The Rindler wedge can be conformally mapped
into the causal diamond of A

[Hislop, Longo, (1982)] [Casini, Huerta, Myers, (2011)]



- CFT $_2$ and A is an interval
(ground state)

$$\hat{K}_A = 2\pi \int_0^\ell \frac{x(\ell - x)}{\ell} T_{00} dx$$

EH: harmonic chains (HC) & free fermions chains (FFC)

- Harmonic chain
(periodic b.c.)

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i=0}^{L-1} \left(\frac{1}{2m} \hat{p}_i^2 + \frac{m\omega^2}{2} \hat{q}_i^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} (\hat{q}_{i+1} - \hat{q}_i)^2 \right) \quad \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{p} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{K}_A = \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{r}}^t H_A \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$H_A \equiv \begin{pmatrix} M & E \\ E^t & N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_A \equiv \begin{pmatrix} Q & R \\ R^t & P \end{pmatrix}$$

Gaussianity and Wick theorem allow to write the EH matrix H_A in terms of the reduced covariance matrix $\gamma_A \equiv \text{Re}\langle \hat{\mathbf{r}} \hat{\mathbf{r}}^t \rangle|_A$
 [Peschel, (2003)] [Casini, Huerta, (2009)] [Banchi, Braunstein, Pirandola, (2015)]

- Chain of free fermions

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} (\hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1} + \hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n)$$

$$\hat{K}_A = \sum_{i,j=1}^{\ell} T_{i,j} \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_j$$

$$T^t = \log(C_A^{-1} - \mathbf{1})$$

The EH matrix T can be written in terms of the correlation matrix C_A restricted to the subsystem A [Peschel, (2003)]

EH of an interval in the FFC: continuum limit

$$\hat{K}_A = \sum_{i,j=1}^N T_{i,j} c_i^\dagger c_j \quad \xrightarrow{\text{continuum limit}} \quad \hat{K}_A = 2\pi\ell \int_0^\ell \beta(x) T_{00}(x) dx$$

For an interval A :

$$\beta(x) = \frac{x}{\ell} \left(1 - \frac{x}{\ell}\right)$$

For the Dirac fermion:

$$T_{00}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi_R^\dagger(x) (-i \partial_x) \psi_R(x) - \psi_L^\dagger(x) (-i \partial_x) \psi_L(x) + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

- Analysis based on discretisation of deltas [Arias, Blanco, Casini, Huerta, (2016)]
- Standard procedure for the continuum limit (long range hopping)

$$x = i s \quad \ell = N s = \text{const} \quad [\text{Eisler, E.T., Peschel, (2019)}]$$

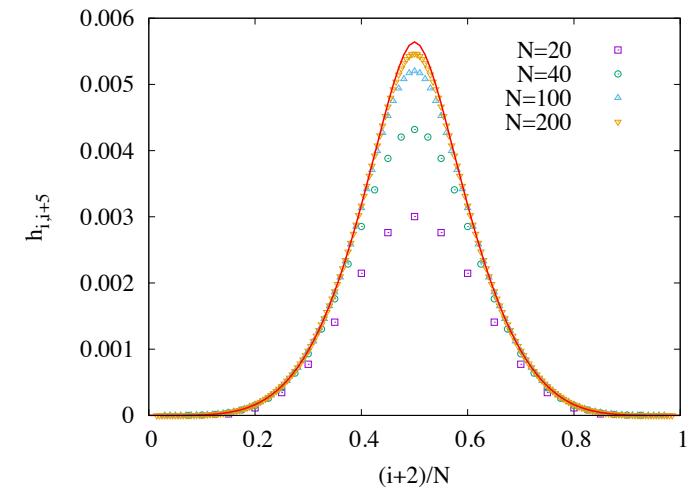
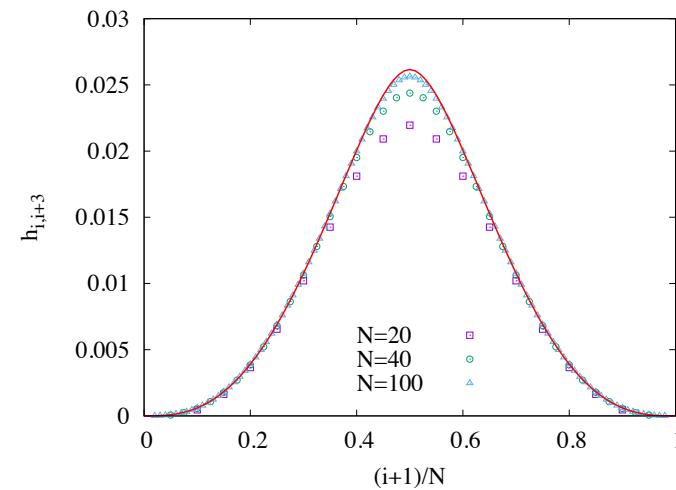
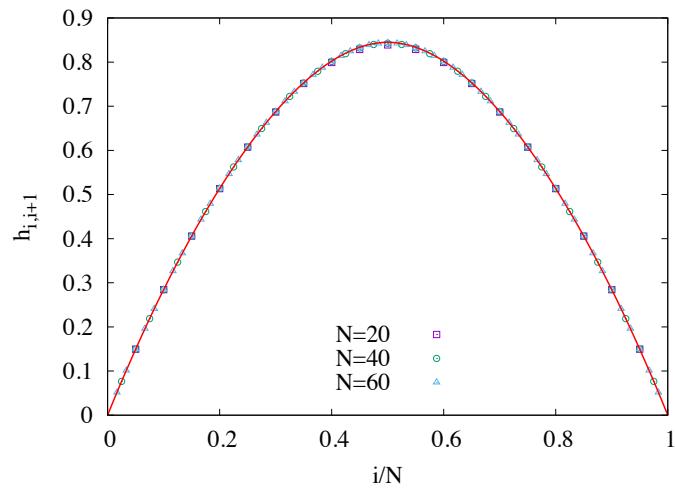
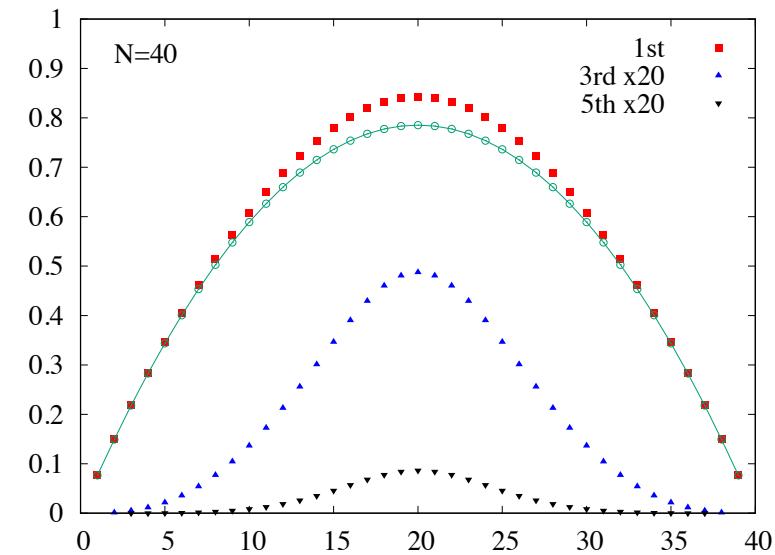
- Non trivial sums involving the hypergeometric functions must be performed
- Analytic expressions for the higher derivatives (subleading) terms have been obtained

EH of an interval in the FFC

[Eisler, Peschel, (2017)]

- Free fermions chain: analytic results for the interval A when the number of its sites diverges

$$-h_{i,j} \equiv \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T_{i,j}}{N}$$



- The result is written in terms of hypergeometric functions

$$h_{i,i+p} = \pi \frac{(2p-1)!! (4p-1)!!}{2^p p! (2p+1)!} z^{2p+1} {}_3F_2\left(p + \frac{1}{4}, p + \frac{1}{4}, p + \frac{3}{4}; p + 1, 2(p+1); (4z)^2\right) \quad z \equiv \frac{i+p}{N} \left(1 - \frac{i+p}{N}\right)$$

EH of an interval in the FFC: higher derivatives terms

[Eisler, E.T., Peschel, (2019)]

■
$$\widehat{K}_A = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} \int_0^\ell \left\{ F_m^{(+)}(x) \mathcal{H}_+^{(m)}(x) + F_m^{(-)}(x) \mathcal{H}_-^{(m)}(x) \right\} dx$$

● Operators :
$$\mathcal{H}_{\pm}^{(m)} \equiv \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \partial_x \right)^{m-k} \Psi_{\pm}^{(k)}$$

$$\Psi_+^{(k)} \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \left(\psi_R^\dagger \psi_R^{(k)} + \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L^{(k)} \right) + \text{h.c.} \quad \Psi_-^{(k)} \equiv -\frac{i}{2} \left(\psi_R^\dagger \psi_R^{(k)} - \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L^{(k)} \right) + \text{h.c.}$$

● Weight functions :
$$\begin{cases} F_m^{(+)}(x) \equiv \delta_{m,0} t_0(x) + 2 s^m \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r^m \cos(rq_F s) t_r(x) \\ F_m^{(-)}(x) \equiv 2 s^m \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r^m \sin(rq_F s) t_r(x) \end{cases}$$

● $m = 0 \quad \begin{cases} \mathcal{H}_-^{(0)} = 0 \\ F_0^{(+)}(x) = 0 \end{cases} \quad m = 1 \quad \begin{cases} \mathcal{H}_+^{(1)} = 0 \\ \mathcal{H}_-^{(1)} = T_{00} \quad F_1^{(-)}(x) = 2\pi\ell \beta(x) \end{cases}$

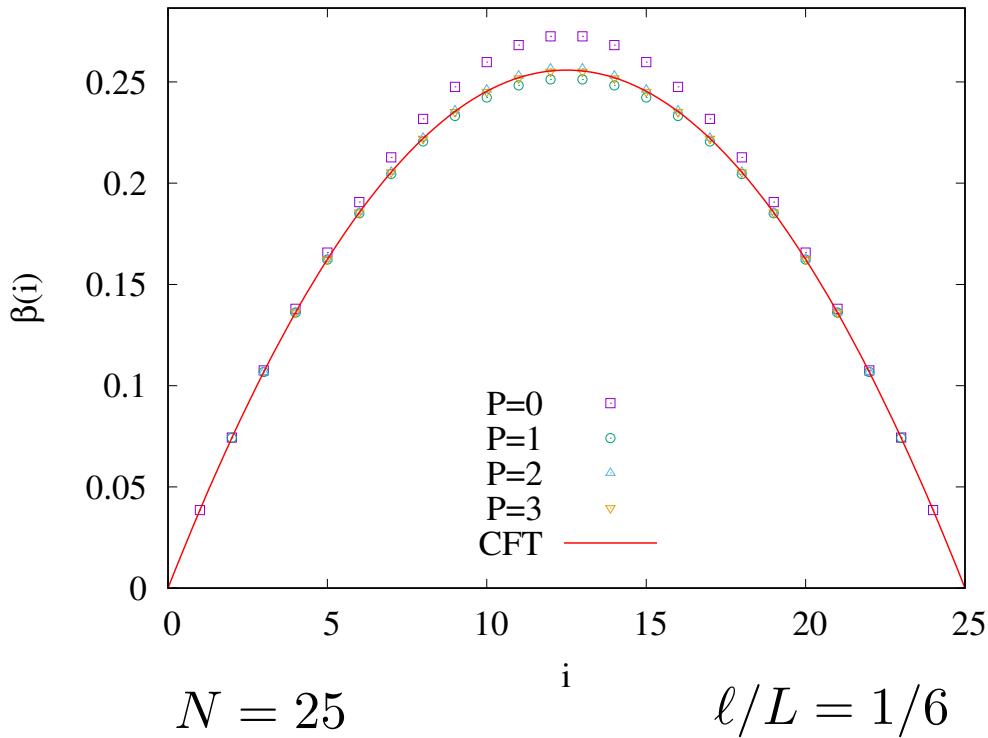
EH of an interval in the FFC: finite size & finite T

- At finite size and finite T , we observe numerically that

$$\beta(i) = \frac{1}{\pi N} \sum_{p=0}^P (-1)^p (2p+1) H_{i-p, i+p+1}$$

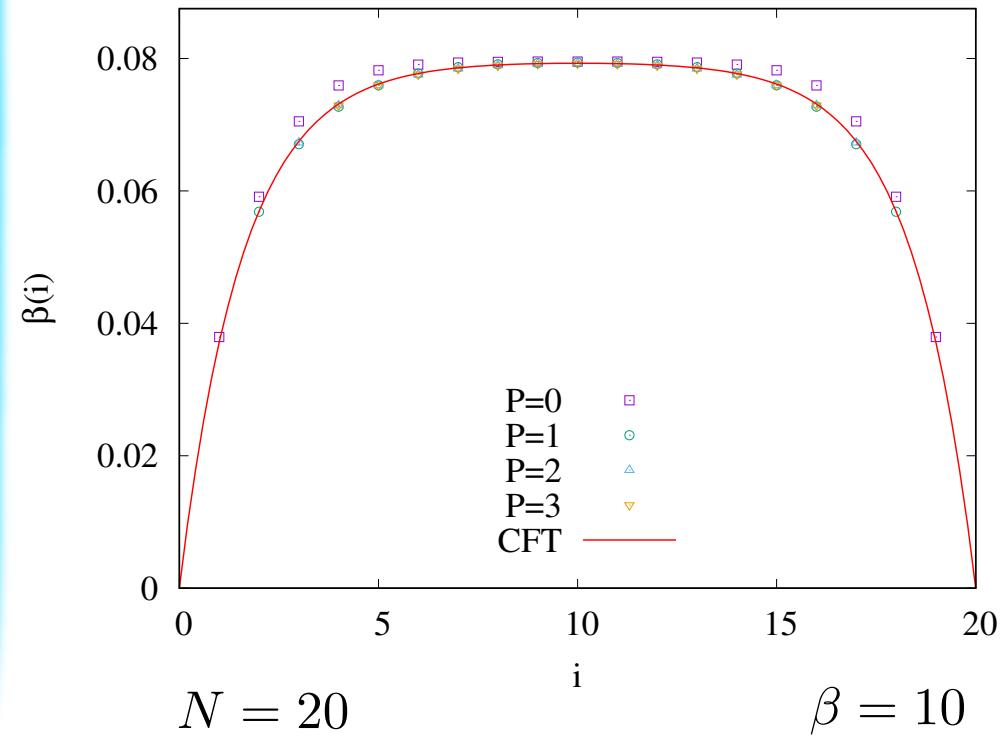
- Periodic chain of length L

$$\beta(x) = \frac{L}{\pi \ell} \frac{\sin(\pi x/L) \sin(\pi(\ell-x)/L)}{\sin(\pi \ell/L)}$$



- Infinite chain at temperature $1/\beta$

$$\beta(x) = \frac{\beta}{\pi \ell} \frac{\sinh(\pi x/\beta) \sinh(\pi(\ell-x)/\beta)}{\sinh(\pi \ell/\beta)}$$



(Global) Quantum quenches

■ Quantum quench:

[Calabrese, Cardy, (2005), (2007)]

- System prepared in the ground state $|\psi_0\rangle$ of H_0
- At $t = 0$ a sudden change is performed

Unitary evolution:

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iHt} |\psi_0\rangle$$

$$\rho(t) = |\psi(t)\rangle\langle\psi(t)|$$

Global quench

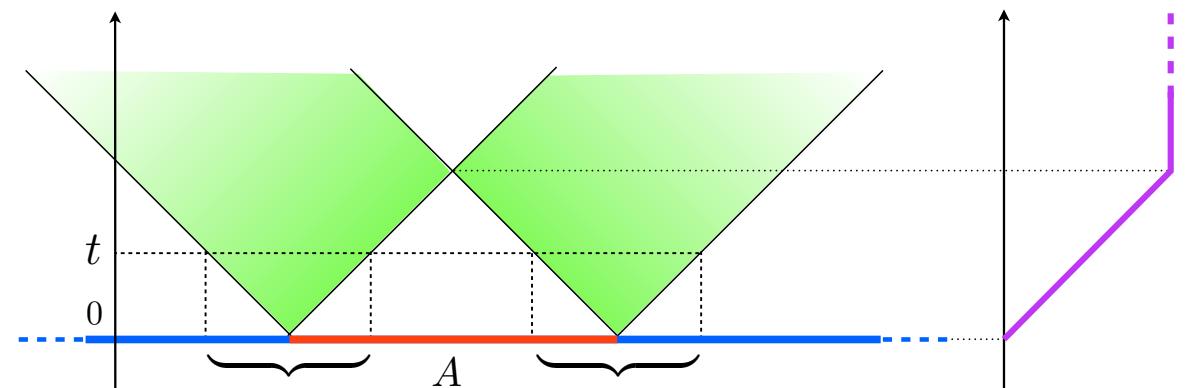
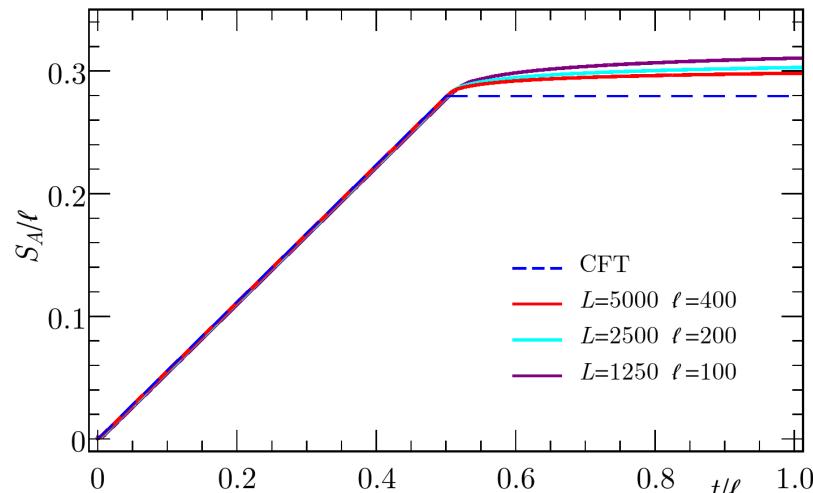
A parameter of H_0 is modified
(e.g. mass switched off)

Local quench

Interaction modified in one point
(e.g. two half-lines joined)

→ $S_A(t)$ when H is the Hamiltonian of a CFT

$$S_A \simeq 2\pi c t / (3\tau_0) \quad t/\ell < 1/2$$



Figures from [Coser, E.T., Calabrese, (2014)]

EH of a semi-infinite line after a global quench in CFT

[Cardy, E.T., (2016)]

- Conformal symmetry and a proper analytic continuation provides \widehat{K}_A when A is a semi-infinite line after a global quench

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{K}_A = & \frac{\tau_0}{\pi} \int_{-t}^{\infty} \frac{\sinh(\pi[x+t]/\tau_0) \cosh(\pi[x-t]/\tau_0)}{\cosh(2\pi t/\tau_0)} T(x) dx \\ & + \frac{\tau_0}{\pi} \int_t^{\infty} \frac{\sinh(\pi[x-t]/\tau_0) \cosh(\pi[x+t]/\tau_0)}{\cosh(2\pi t/\tau_0)} \bar{T}(x) dx\end{aligned}$$

- The expected linear growth of S_A is recovered.
- Gaps in the entanglement spectrum
- This \widehat{K}_A provides a natural candidate for the contour function $s_A(x, t)$
- Further analysis in [Wen, Ryu, Ludwig, (2018)]

$$g_{a,0} \simeq \frac{\pi \tau_0 \Delta_a}{2 t}$$

Global quenches protocols

- Harmonic chain: quench of the frequency parameter $\omega_0 \rightarrow \omega$
[Calabrese, Cardy, (2007)]

We mainly considered the quench having $\omega_0 = 1$ and $\omega = 0$

- Free fermions chain: [Eisler, Peschel, (2007)]
the initial state is the ground state of a dimerised chain

$$\hat{H}_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} t_n (\hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1} + \hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n) \quad \begin{cases} t_{2n} = 1 \\ t_{2n+1} = 0 \end{cases}$$

At $t = 0$ the inhomogeneity is removed

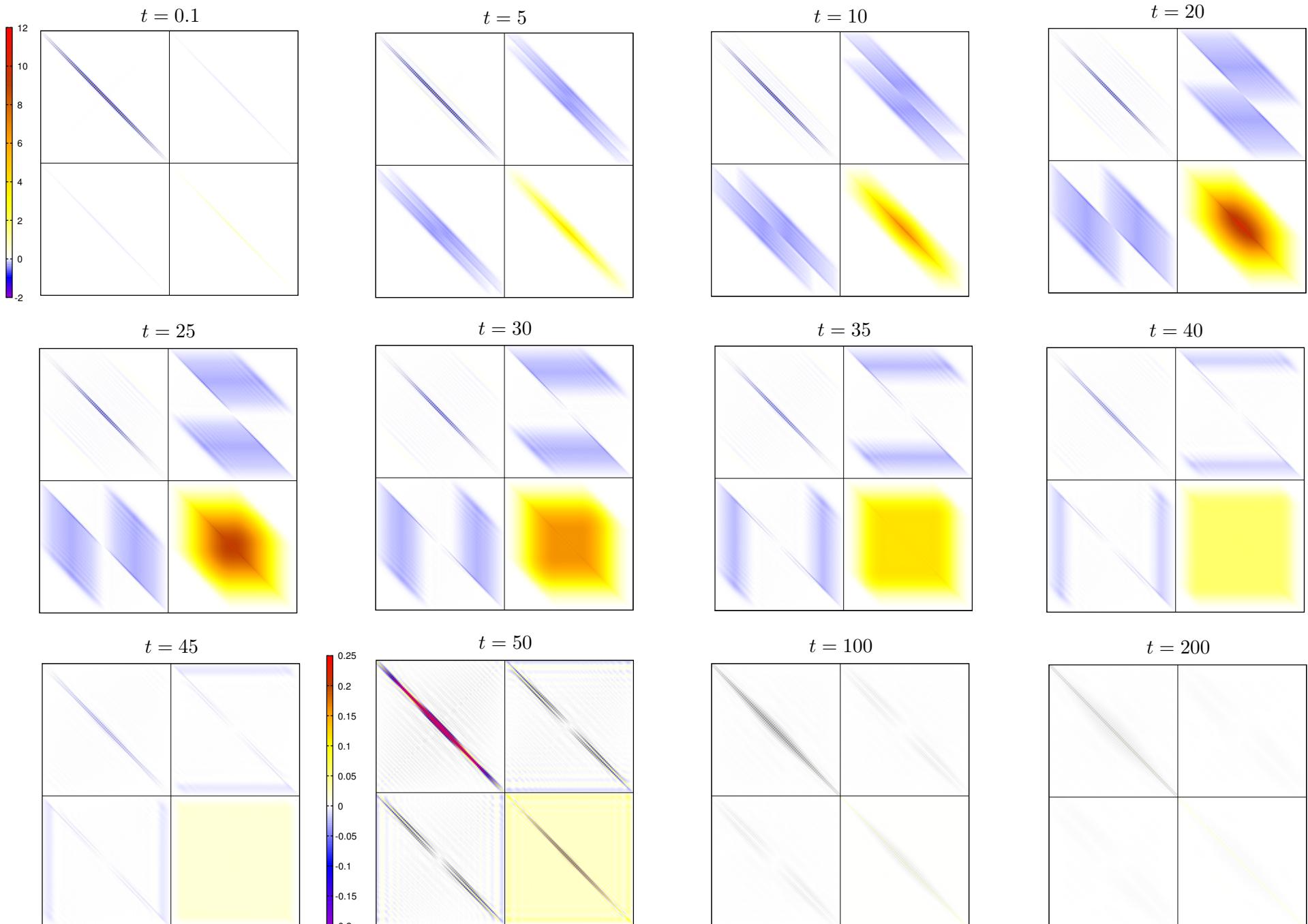
$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} (\hat{c}_n^\dagger \hat{c}_{n+1} + \hat{c}_{n+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_n)$$

- $C_A(t)$ for an interval is known analytically

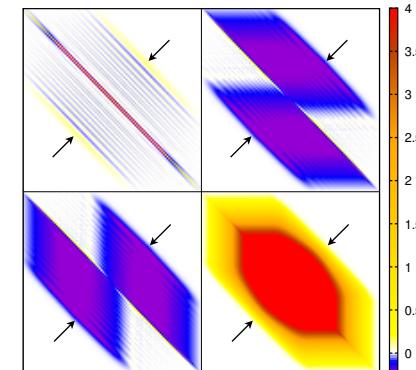
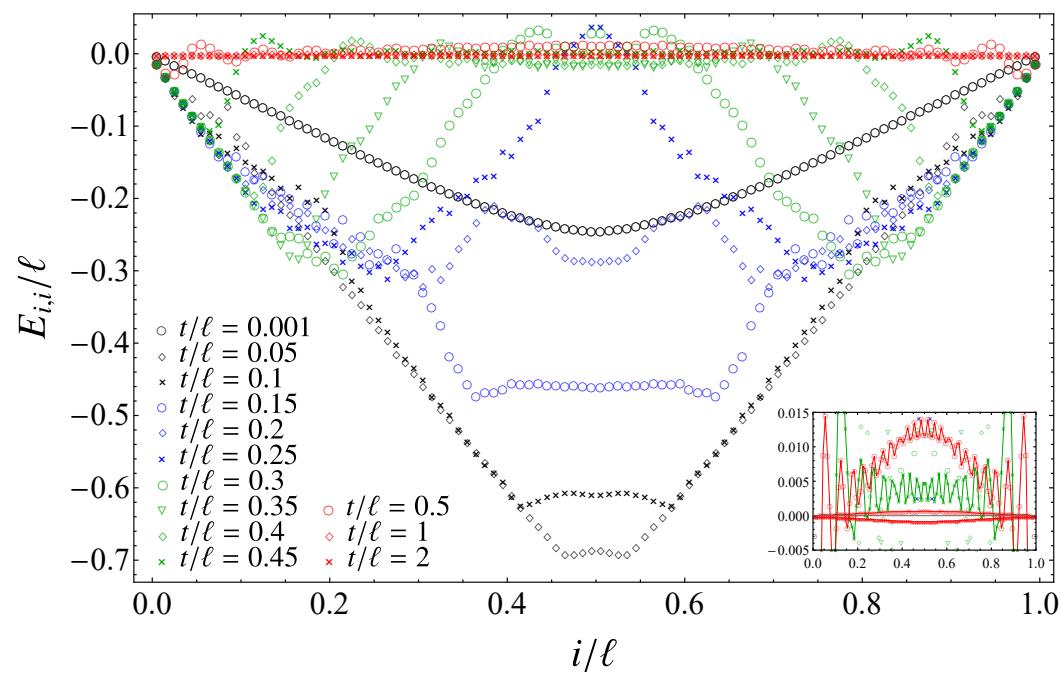
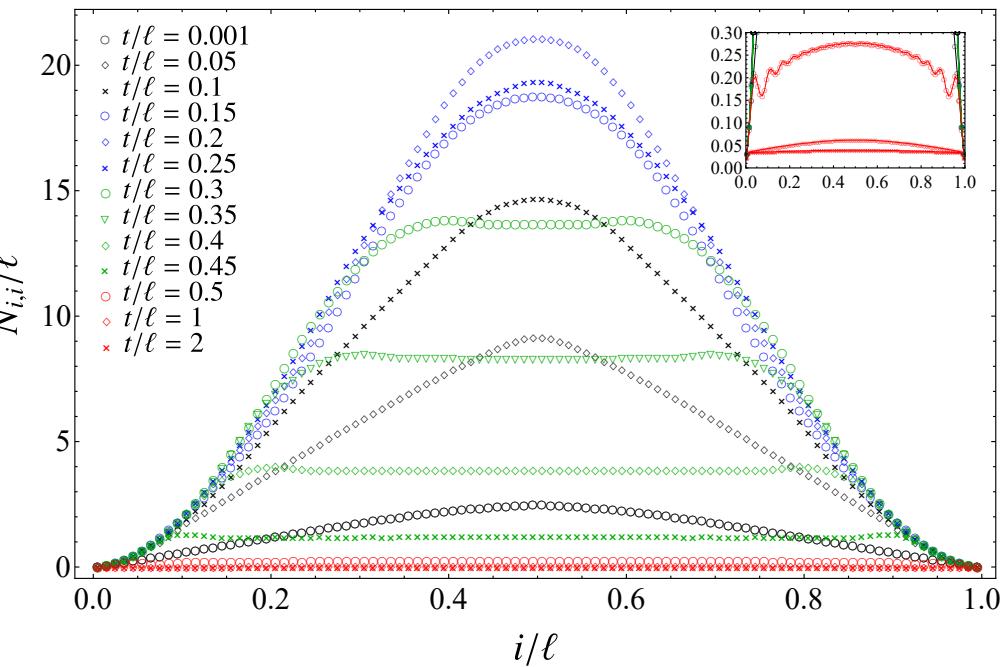
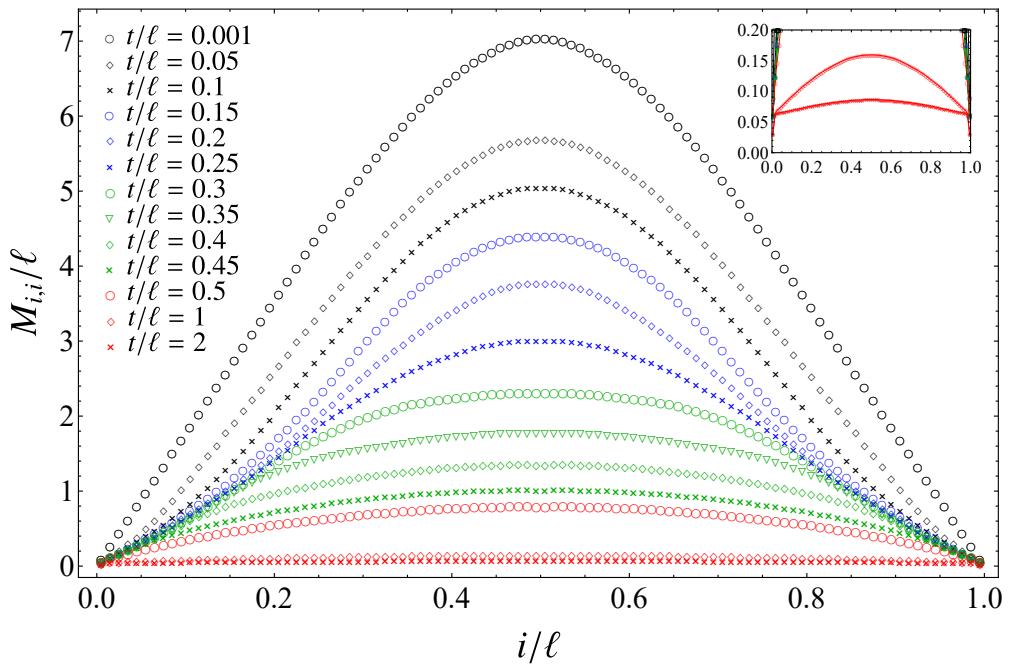
Evolution of the EH matrix in the HC

$\ell = 100$ $\omega_0 = 1$ $\omega = 0$

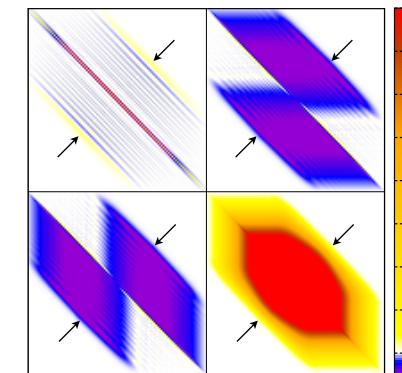
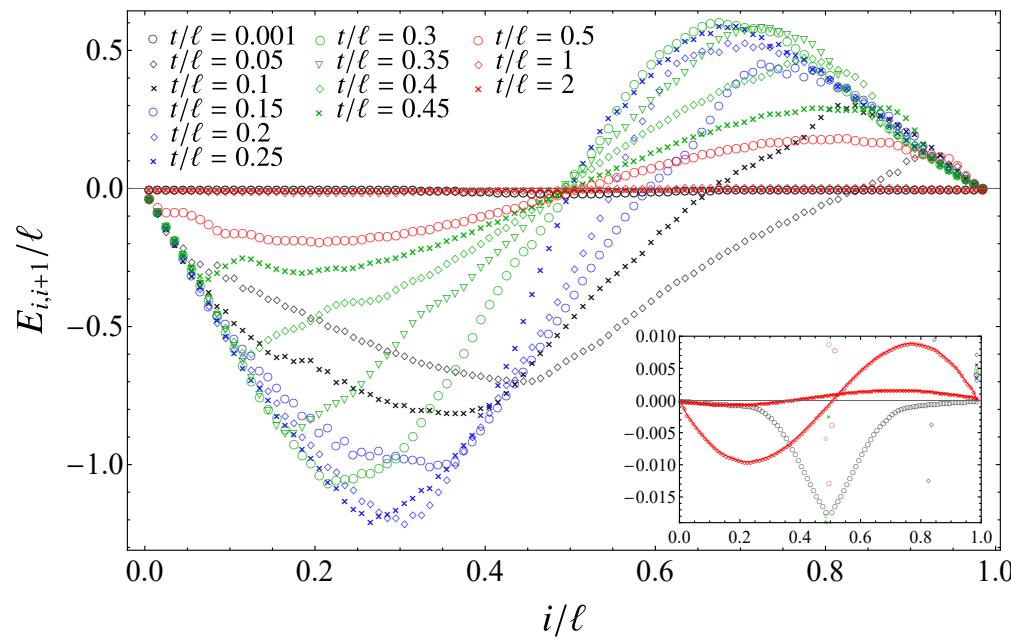
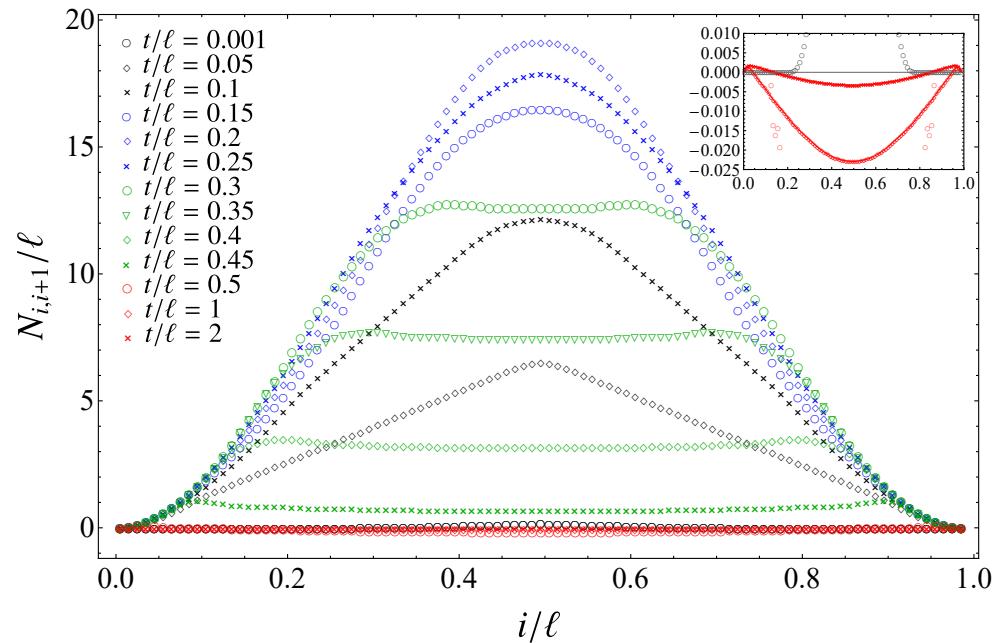
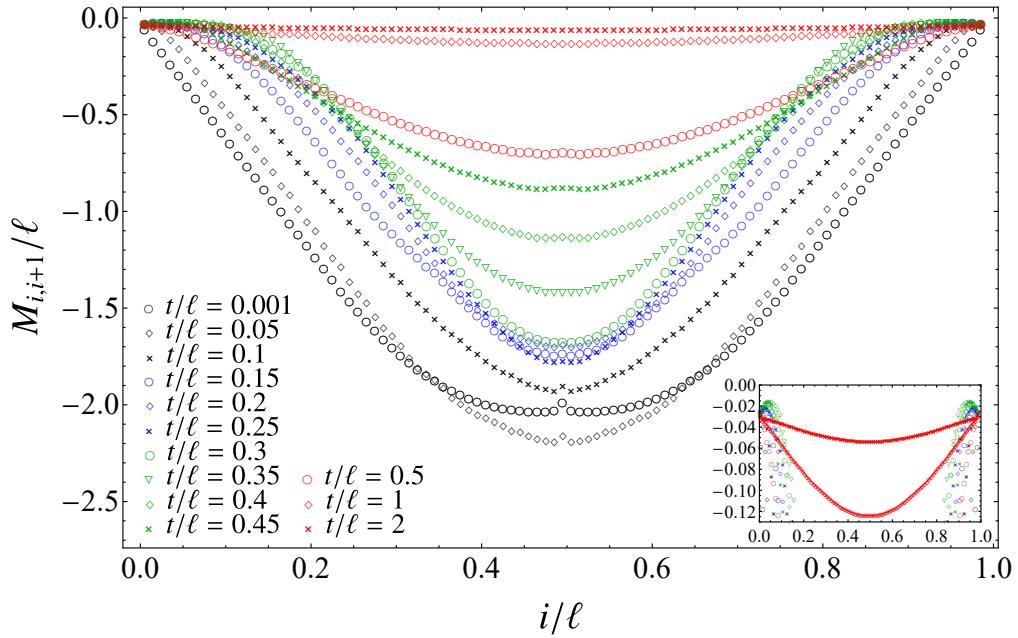
[Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]



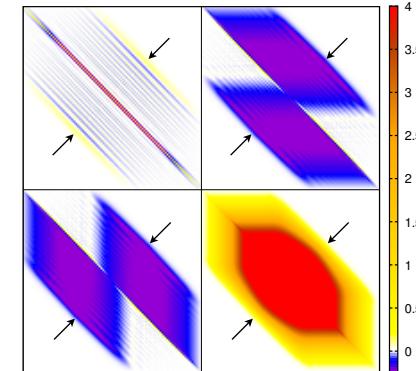
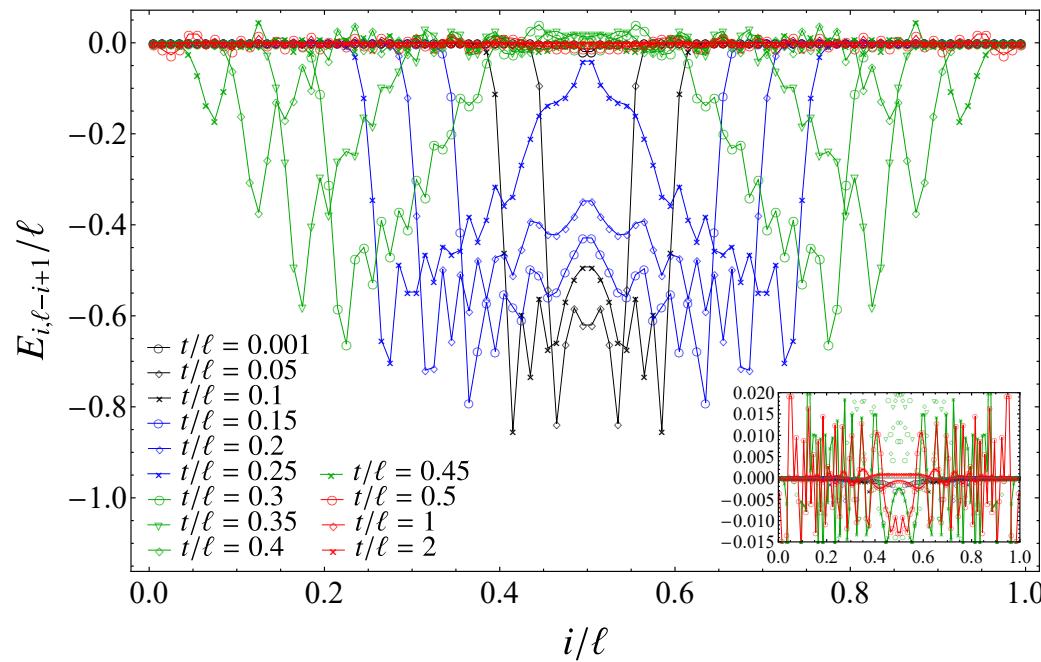
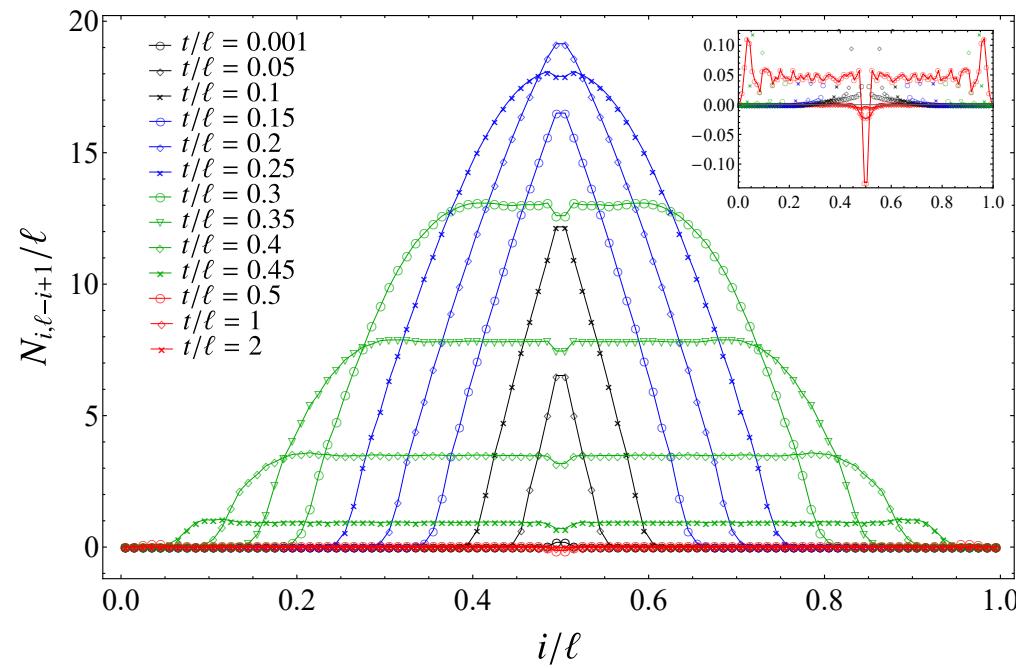
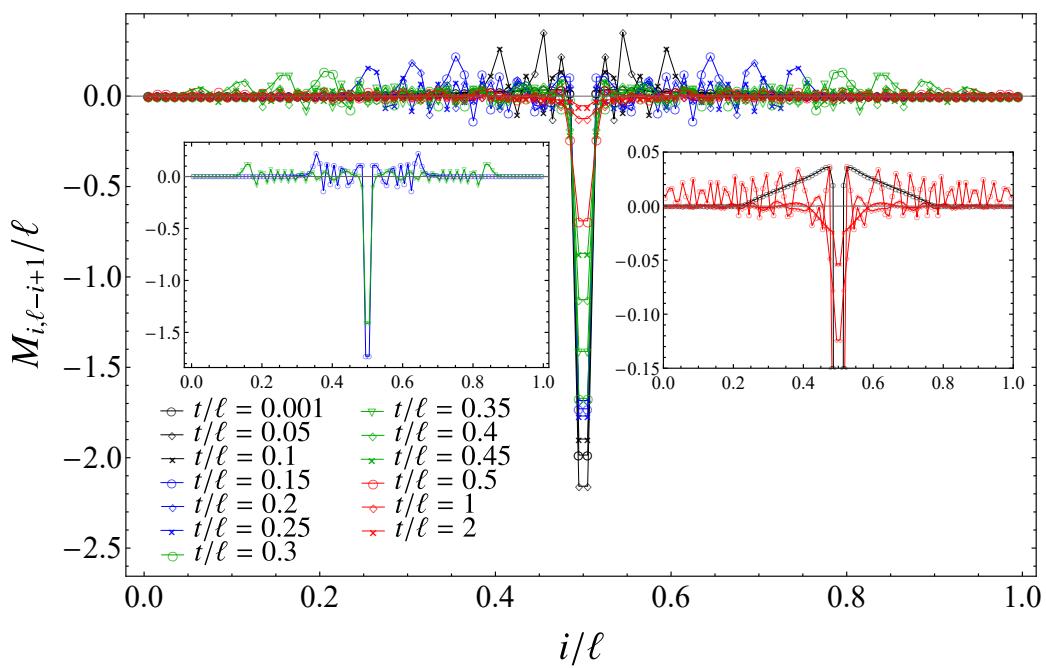
EH matrix in HC: main diagonals of the blocks



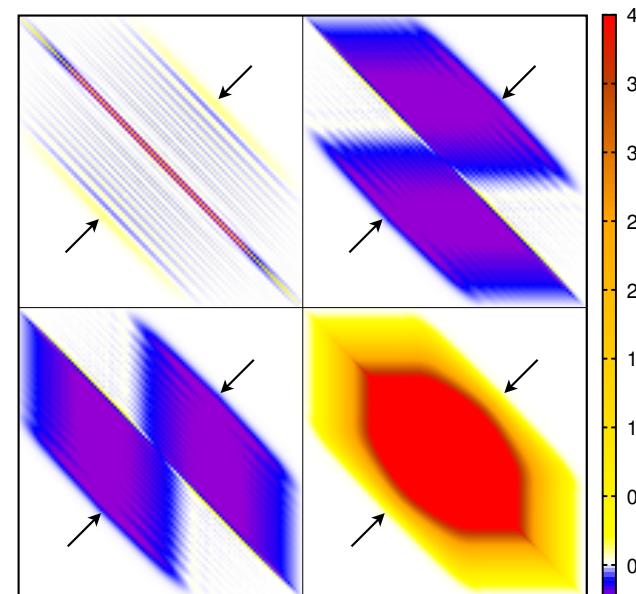
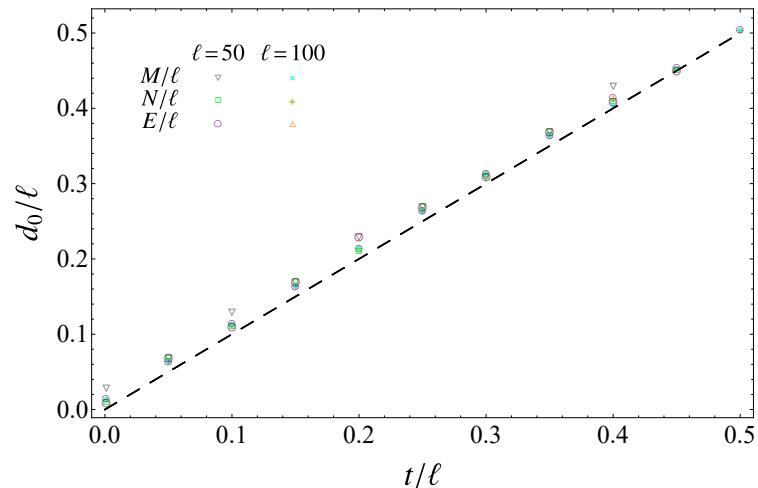
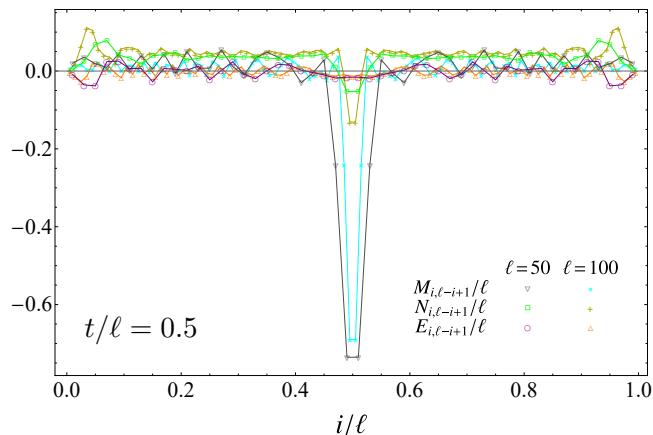
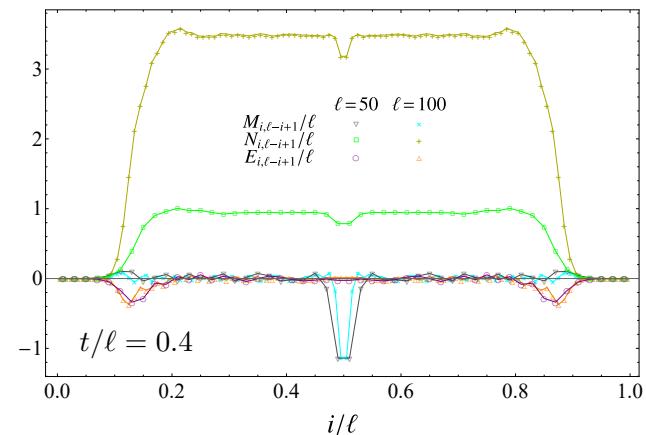
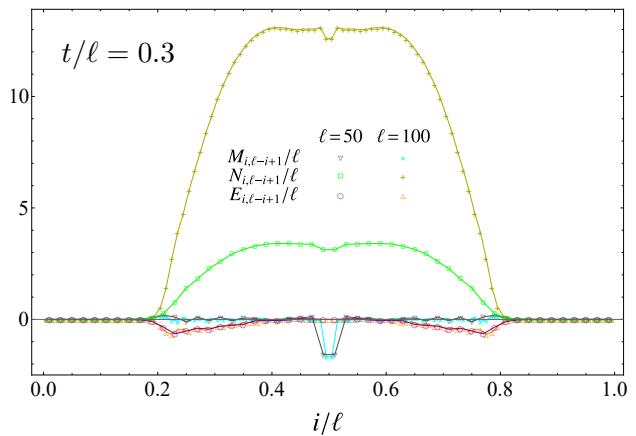
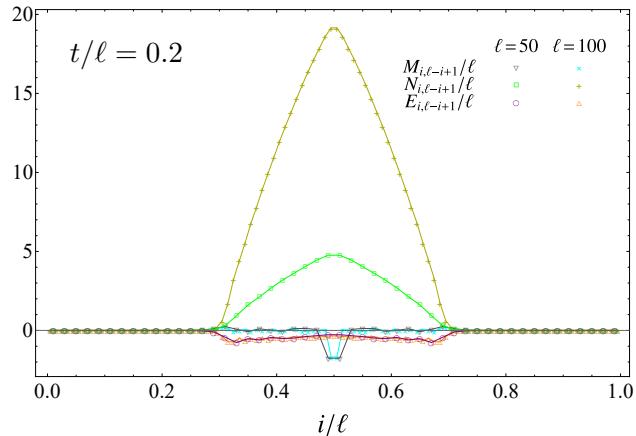
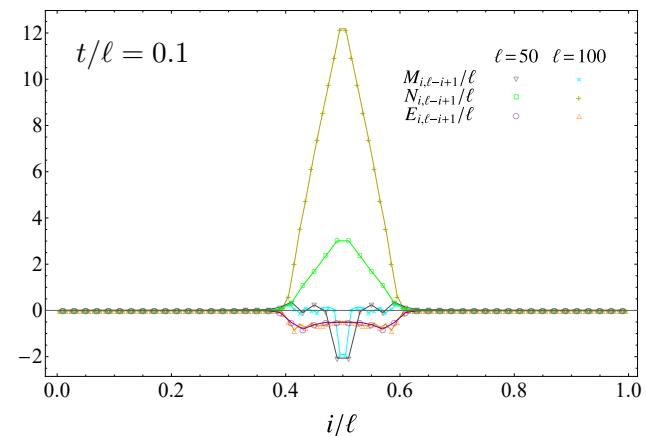
EH matrix in HC: first diagonals of the blocks



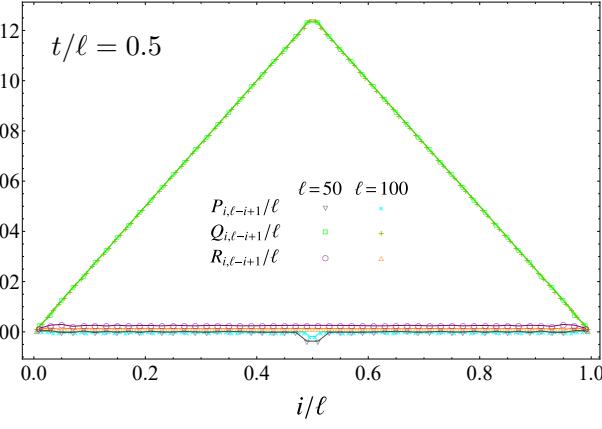
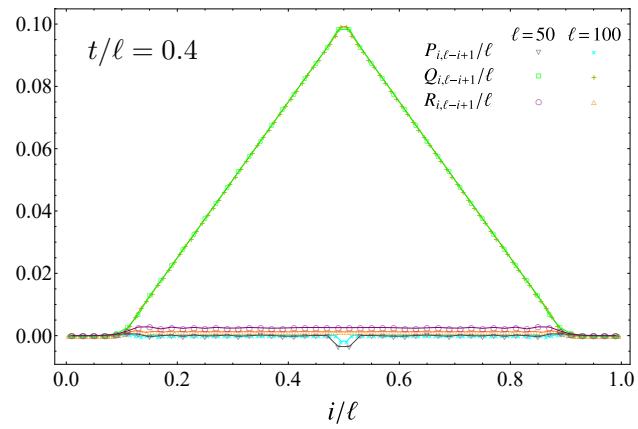
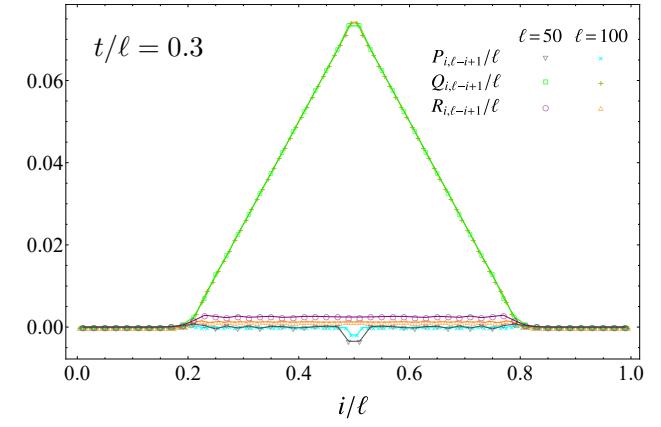
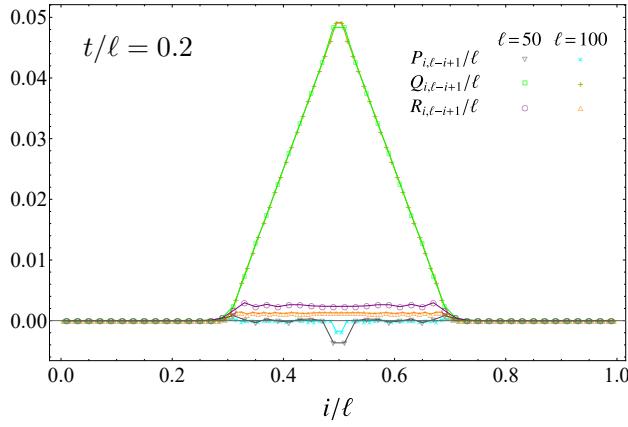
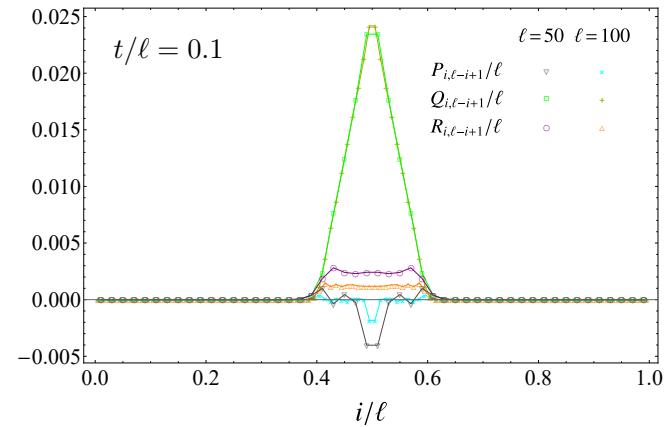
EH matrix in HC: antidiagonals of the blocks



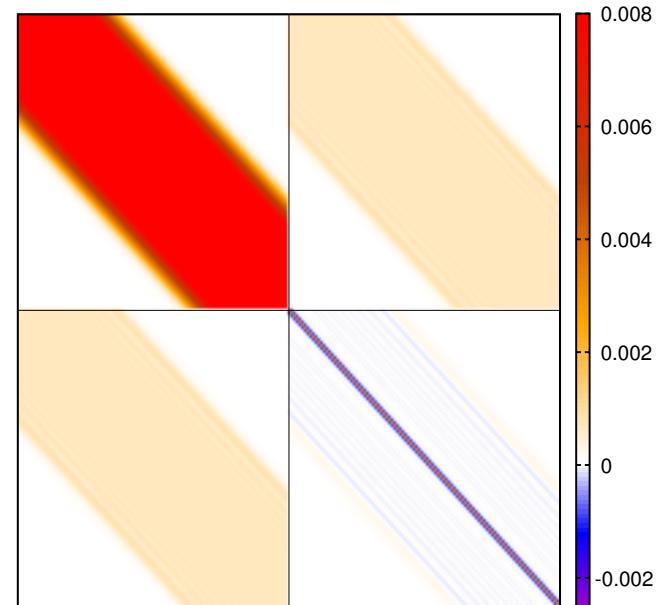
EH matrix in HC: antidiagonals of the blocks



Reduced Covariance Matrix: antidiagonals of the blocks

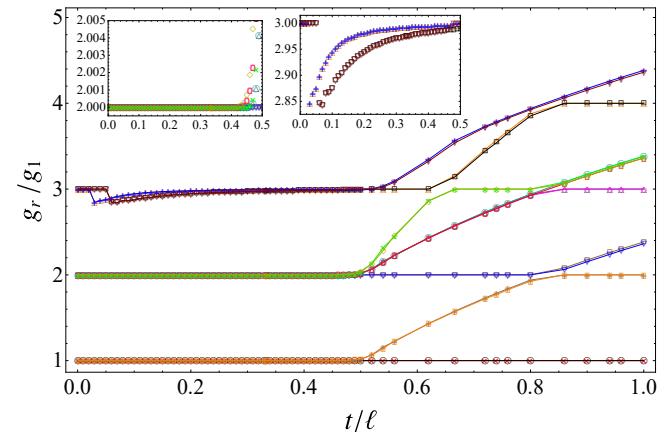
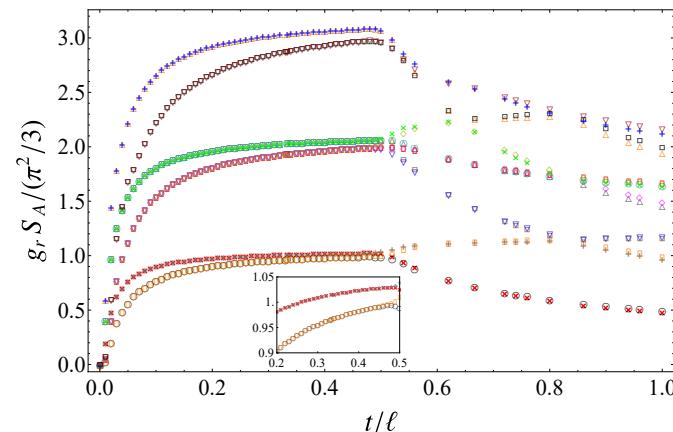
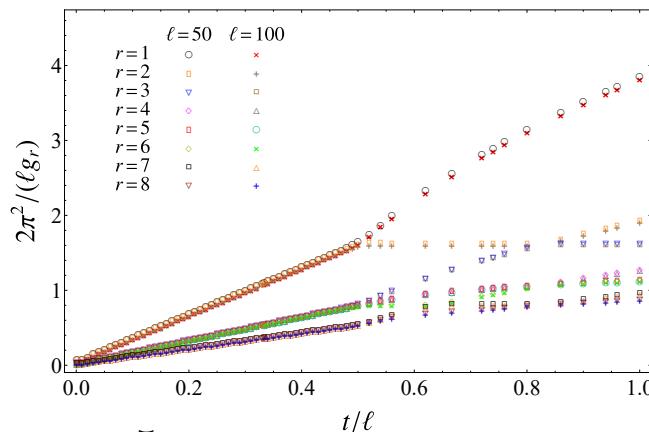


- The blocks of $\gamma_A(t)$ are constant along the diagonals

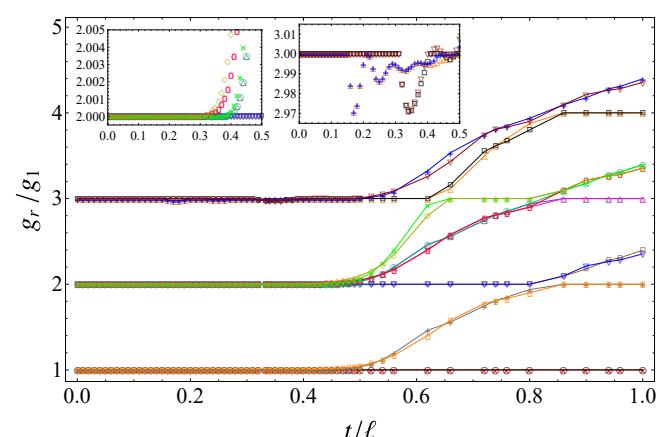
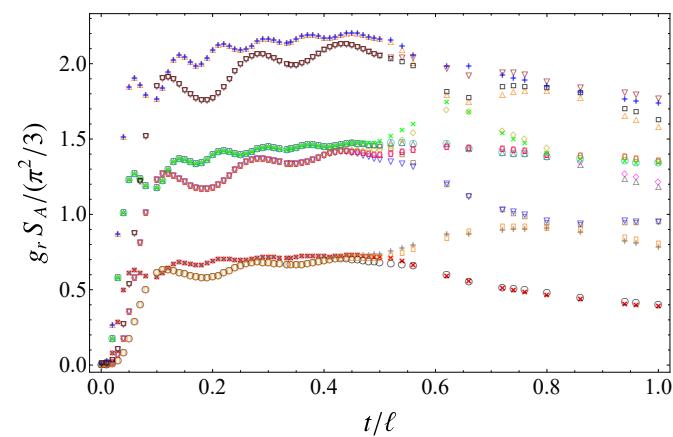
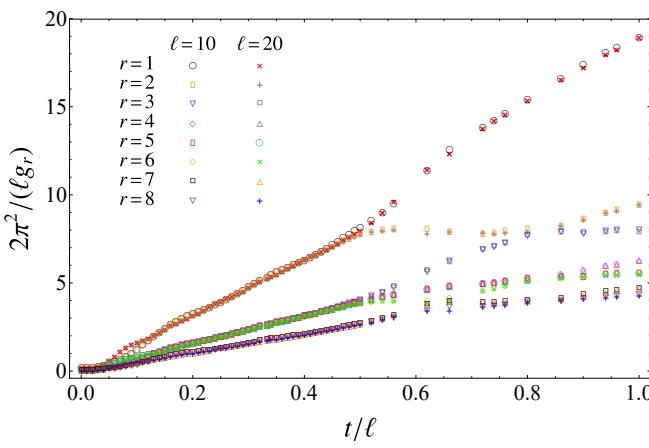


Gaps in the entanglement spectrum in the HC

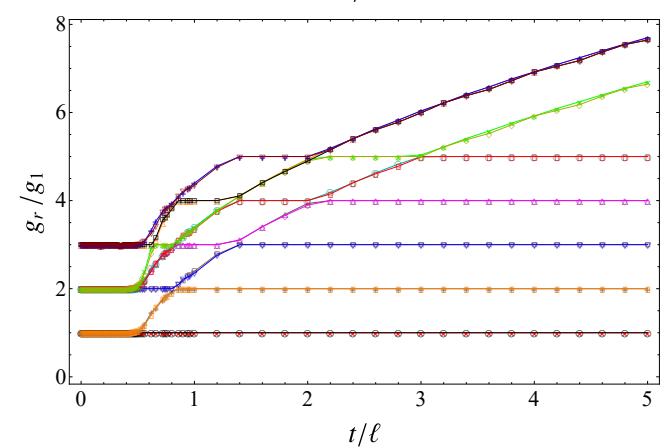
$\omega_0 = 1$



$\omega_0 = 5$



- Linear growths of $1/g_r$ for $t/\ell < 1/2$ that depend on the CFT spectrum

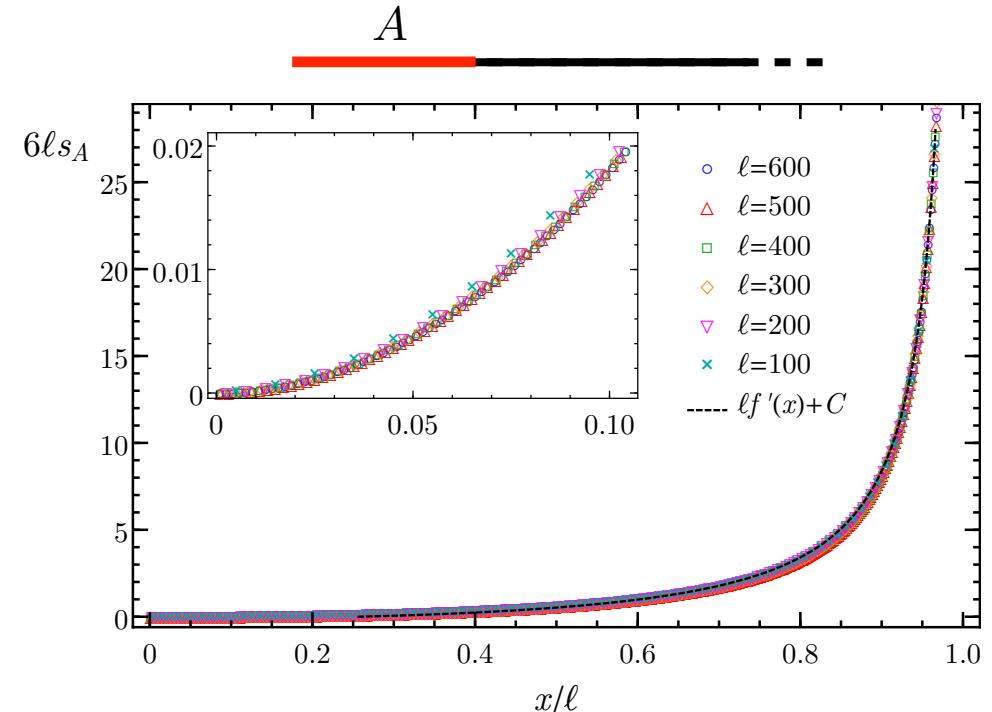
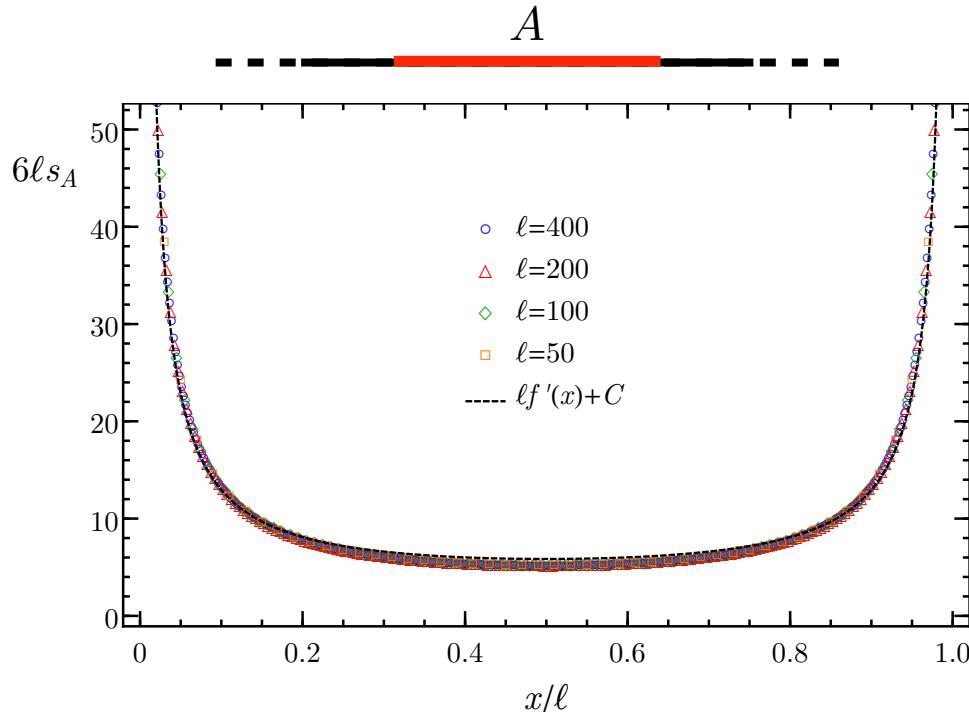


Contour for EE in the HC

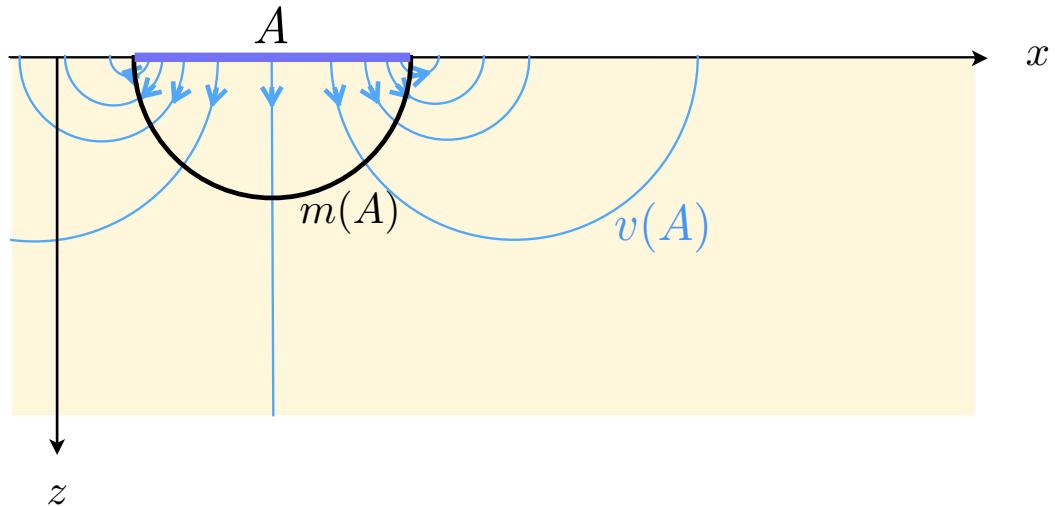
- Spatial structure of entanglement [Botero, Reznik, (2004)] [Chen, Vidal, (2014)]

$$S_A = \sum_{i \in A} s_A(i) \quad s_A(i) \geq 0$$

- Other constraints are imposed on the contour function
- A list of properties that provides $s_A(i)$ uniquely is not known
- In HC we use $s_A(i)$ constructed in [Coser, De Nobili, E.T., (2017)] that has been compared to the weight function in the EH from CFT



Contours for the holographic entanglement entropy?



E.g.: $\text{AdS}_3 \quad \frac{1}{z^2}(-dt^2 + dz^2 + dx^2)$

- The Ryu-Takayanagi prescription can be reformulated in terms of flows through A [Headrick, Freedman, (2016)] [Headrick, Hubeny, (2017)]

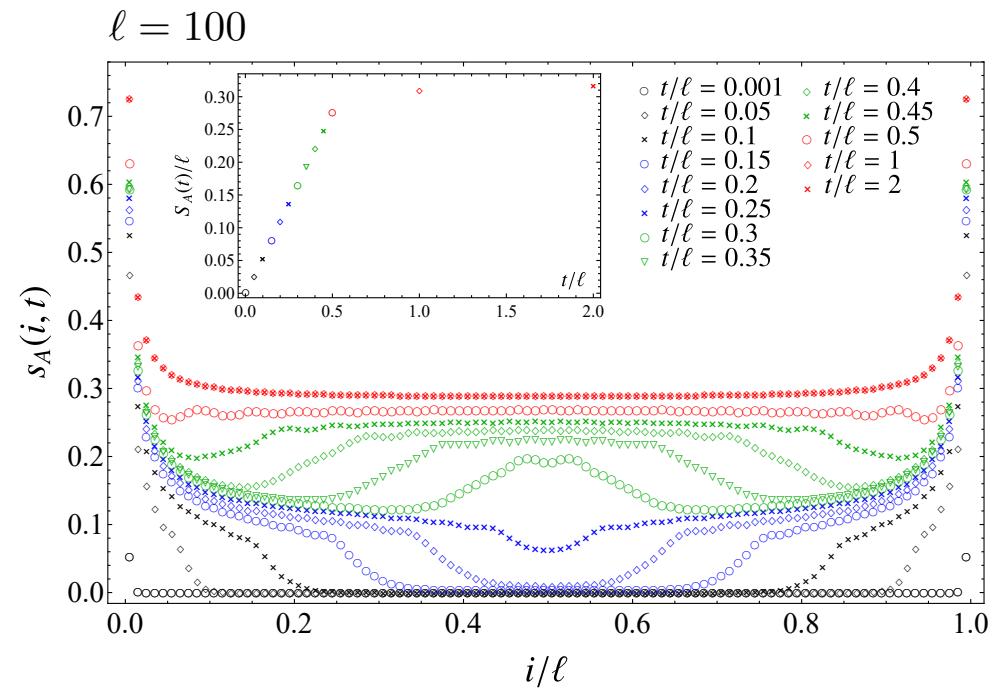
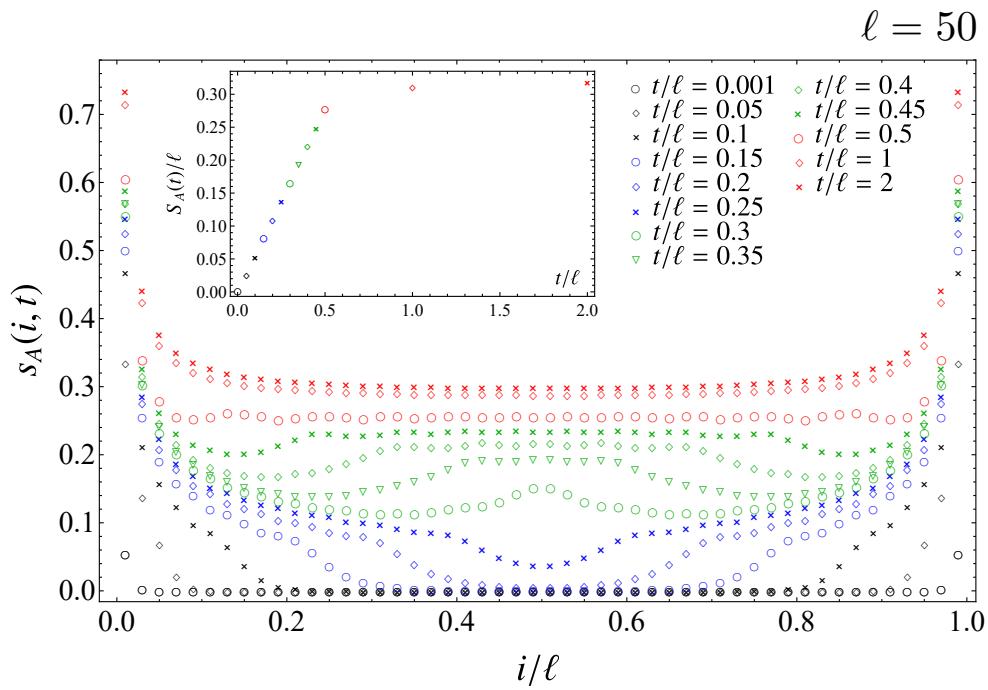
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla_\mu v^\mu = 0 \\ |v| \leq \frac{1}{4G_N} \end{array} \right. \quad \xrightarrow{\text{max-cut min-flow theorem}}$$

$$S_A = \frac{\min[\text{area}(m(A))]}{4G_N} = \max \int_A v$$

- A contour for the holographic entanglement entropy could be identified with a flow maximising the flux. [E.T., (2018)]

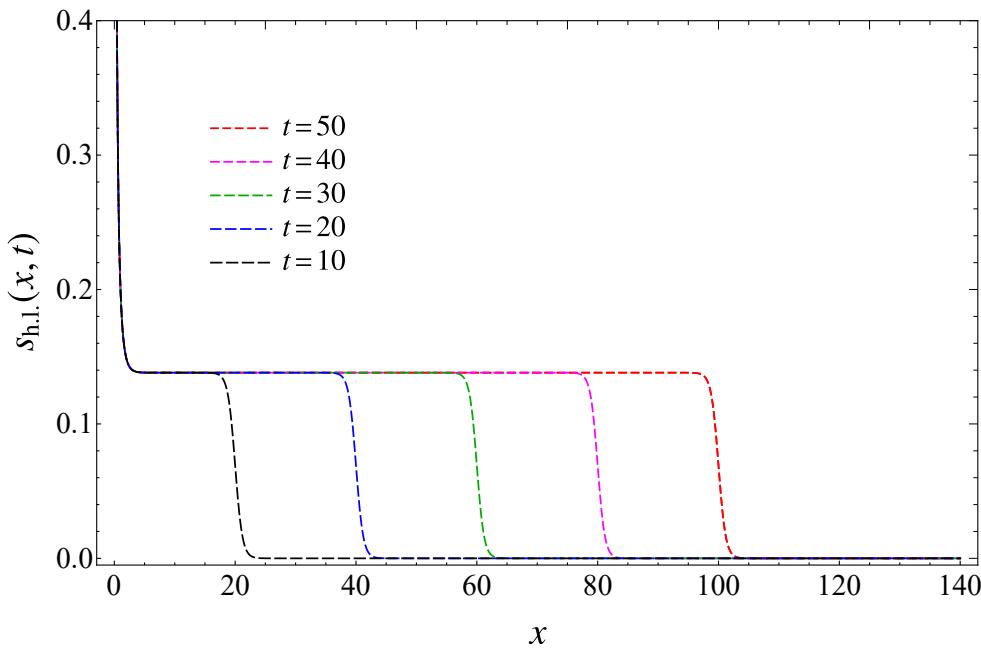
Contour for EE in the HC after a global quench

- Contour function after quantum quenches in fermionic chains
[Chen, Vidal, (2014)]
 - Contour function after a local quench through holographic results
[Kudler-Flam, MacCormack, Ryu, (2019)]
 - Contour function in the harmonic chain after a quench $\omega_0 = 1 \rightarrow \omega = 0$
[Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]



- Same qualitative behaviour observed for fermions [Chen, Vidal, (2014)]

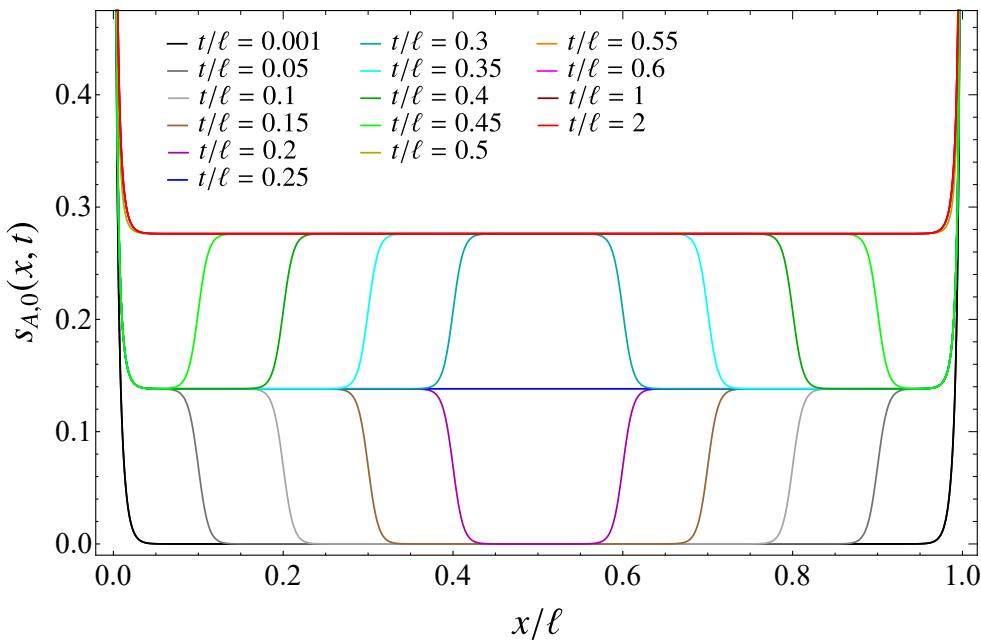
Insights from CFT: contour for the EE



- A is a half-line [Cardy, E.T., (2016)]

$$s_{\text{h.l.}}(x, t) = \frac{c}{6} \mathcal{F}_{\text{h.l.}}(x, t)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{h.l.}}(x, t) \equiv \frac{2\pi [\cosh(2\pi t/\tau_0)]^2 \coth(\pi x/\tau_0)}{\tau_0 [\cosh(4\pi t/\tau_0) + \cosh(2\pi x/\tau_0)]}$$



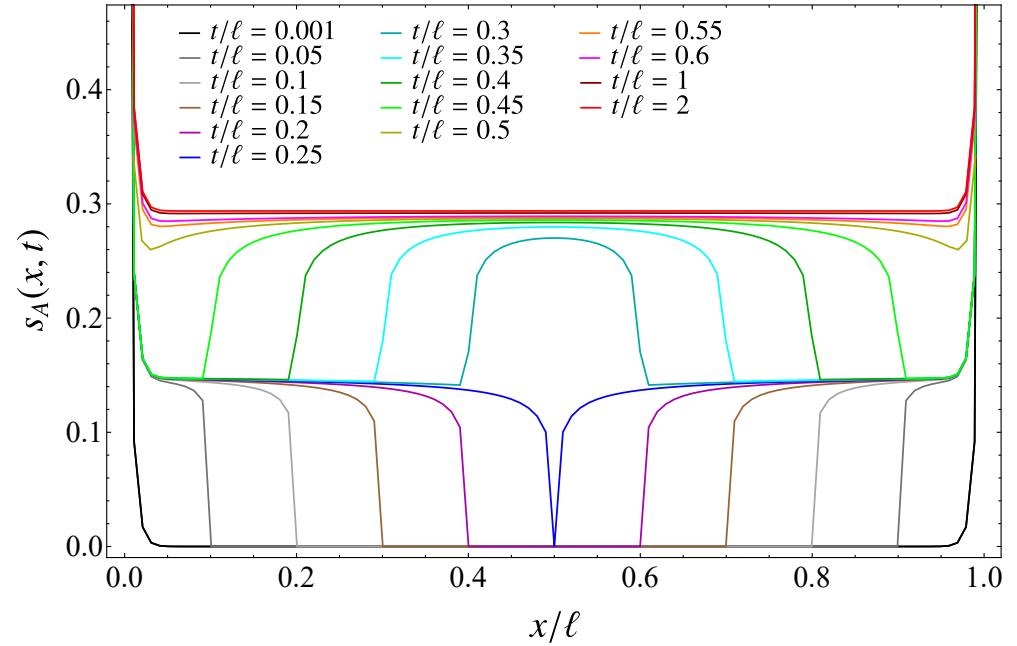
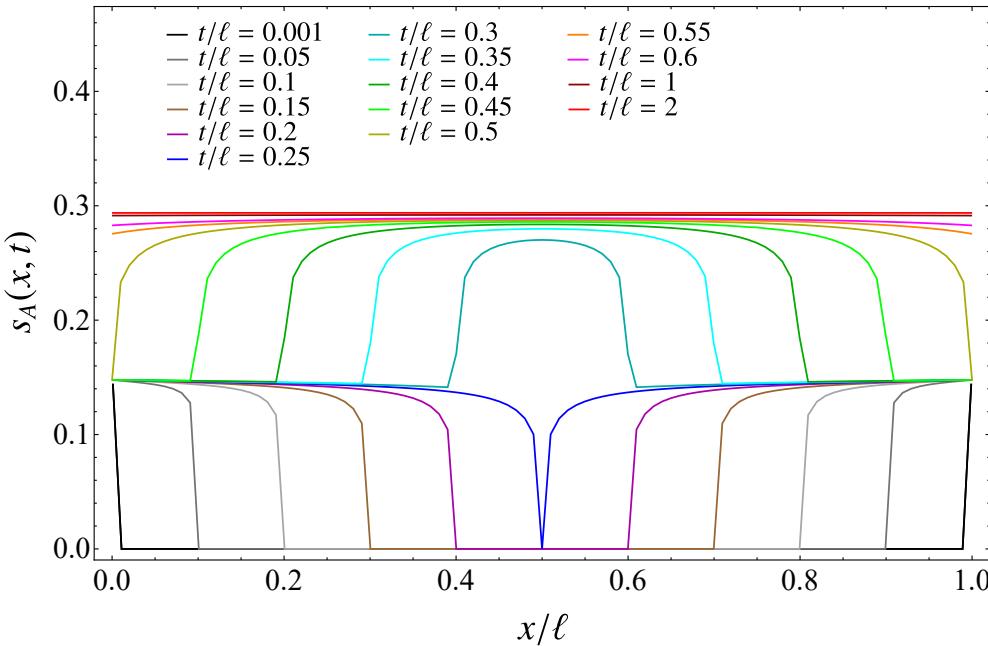
- Naive guess when A is an interval [Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]

$$s_{A,0}(x, t) \equiv s_{\text{h.l.}}(x, t) + s_{\text{h.l.}}(\ell - x, t)$$

- Integrals of the contour function $(x_1, x_2) \subseteq A$

$$\mathcal{S}_{A,0}(x_1, x_2; t) \equiv \int_{x_1}^{x_2} s_{A,0}(x, t) dx$$

Contour for EE in the HC from quasi-particle picture



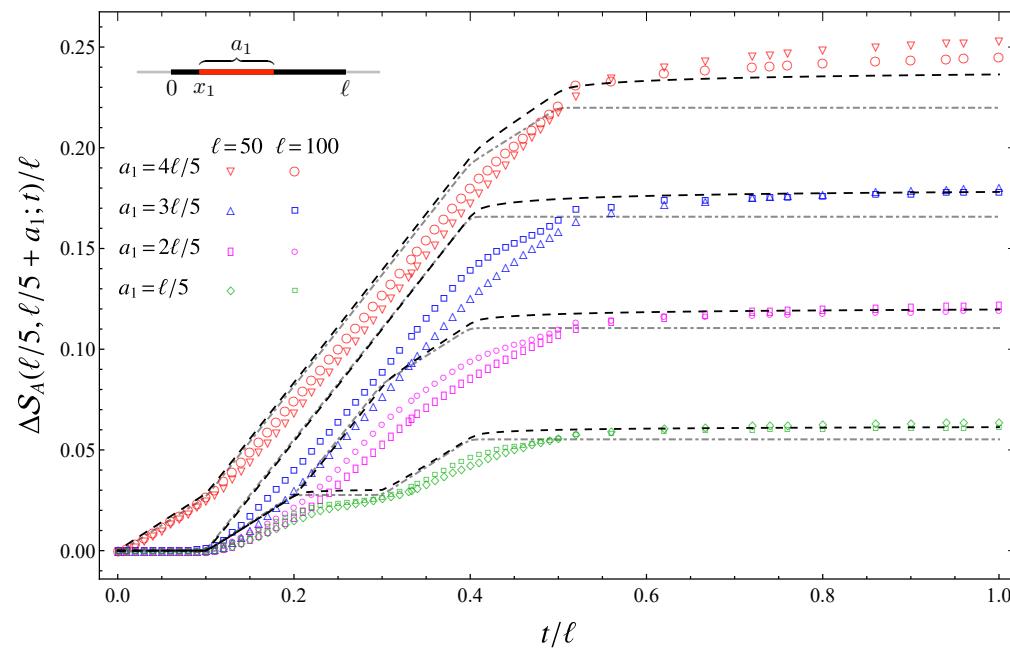
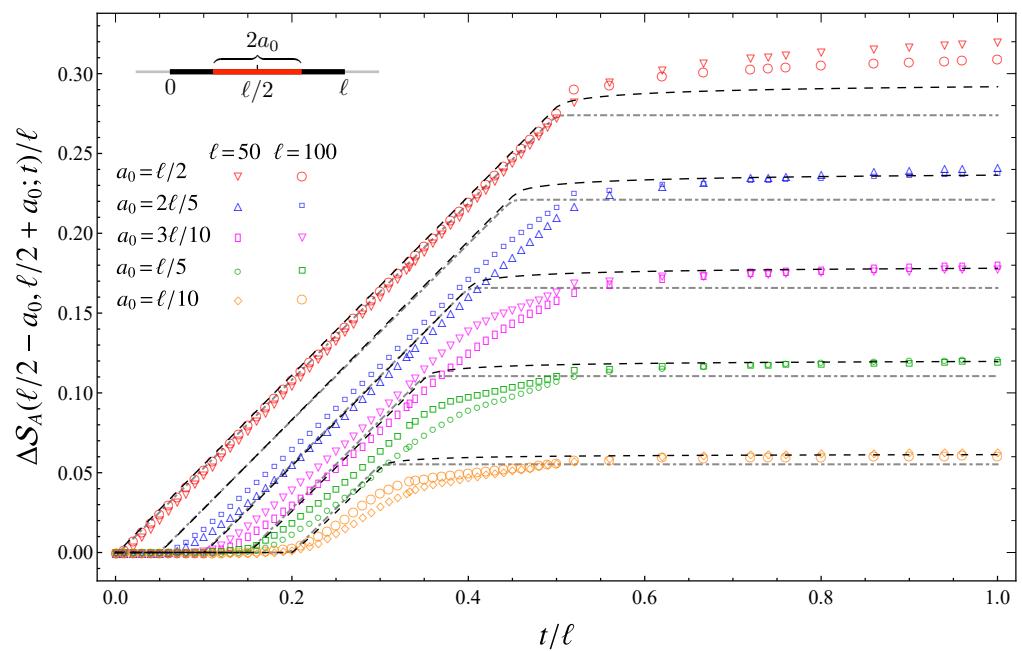
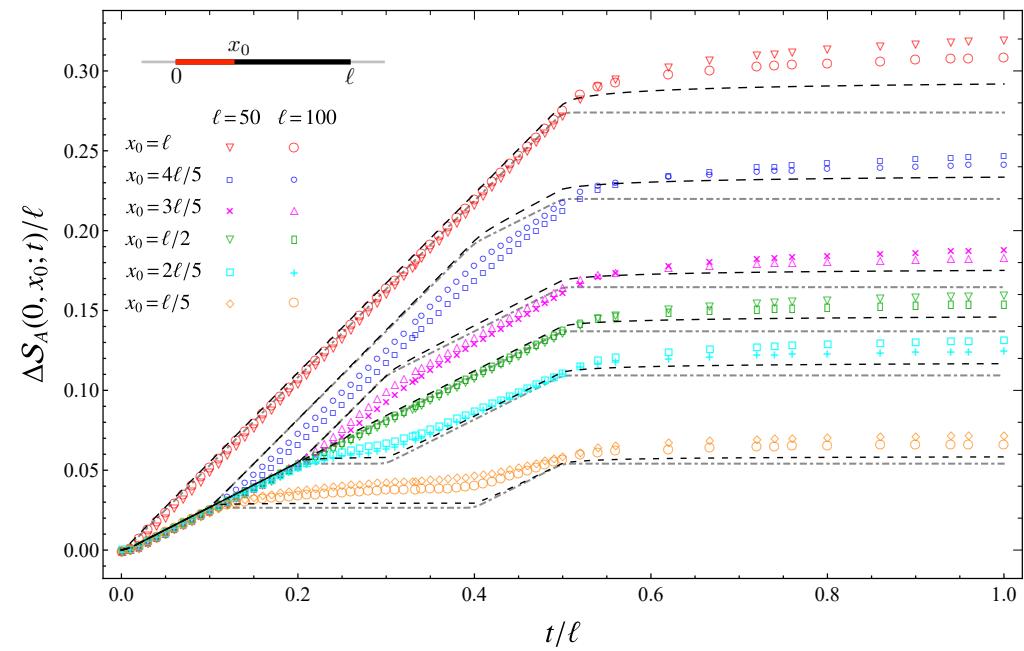
- By exploiting the quasi-particle picture of [Calabrese, Cardy, (2005)] we find [Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]

$$s_A(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_{x < 2|v_p|t < \ell} \tilde{s}(p) dp + \int_{\ell - x < 2|v_p|t < \ell} \tilde{s}(p) dp \right] + \int_{2|v_p|t > \ell} \tilde{s}(p) dp + f_0(x)$$

For the harmonic chain we used $\tilde{s}(p)$ obtained in [Alba, Calabrese, (2018)]

- Also $\mathcal{S}_A(x_1, x_2)$ can be written in a similar form

Integrals of the contour for EE in the HC



EH matrix & contour for the EE in the FFC

- The EH matrix T can be written in terms of the correlation matrix C_A restricted to the interval [Peschel, (2003)]

$$\hat{K}_A = \sum_{i,j=1}^{\ell} T_{i,j} \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_j$$

$$T^t = \log(C_A(t)^{-1} - \mathbf{1})$$

$$T_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} \eta_k \tilde{U}_{k,i}^* \tilde{U}_{k,j}$$

We consider the global quench of [Eisler, Peschel, (2007)]

- The matrix T is complex after the quench

- The contour function $s_A(i)$ depends also on $\tilde{U}_{k,i}$

[Chen, Vidal, (2014)]

$$S_A = \sum_{i \in A} s_A(i)$$

$$s_A(i) = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} p_k(i) s(\zeta_k)$$

$$S_A = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} s(\zeta_k) \quad \eta_k = \log(1/\zeta_k - 1)$$

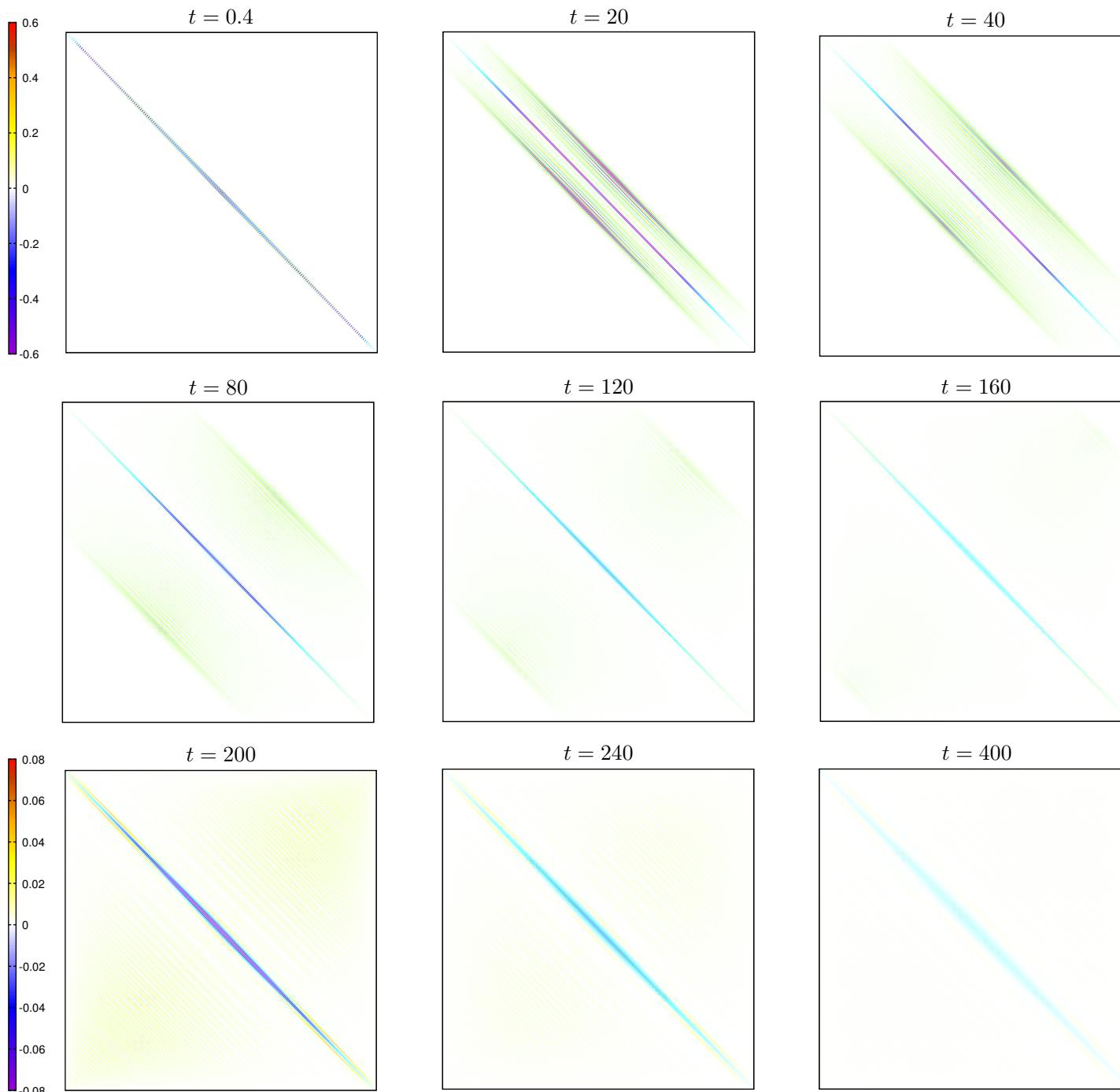
$$\mathcal{S}_A(i_1, i_2) = \sum_{i=i_1}^{i_2} s_A^{(n)}(i) \quad i_1, i_2 \in A$$

$$\begin{cases} p_k(i) = |\tilde{U}_{k,i}|^2 \\ \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} p_k(i) = 1 \end{cases}$$

Evolution of the EH matrix (real part) in the FFC

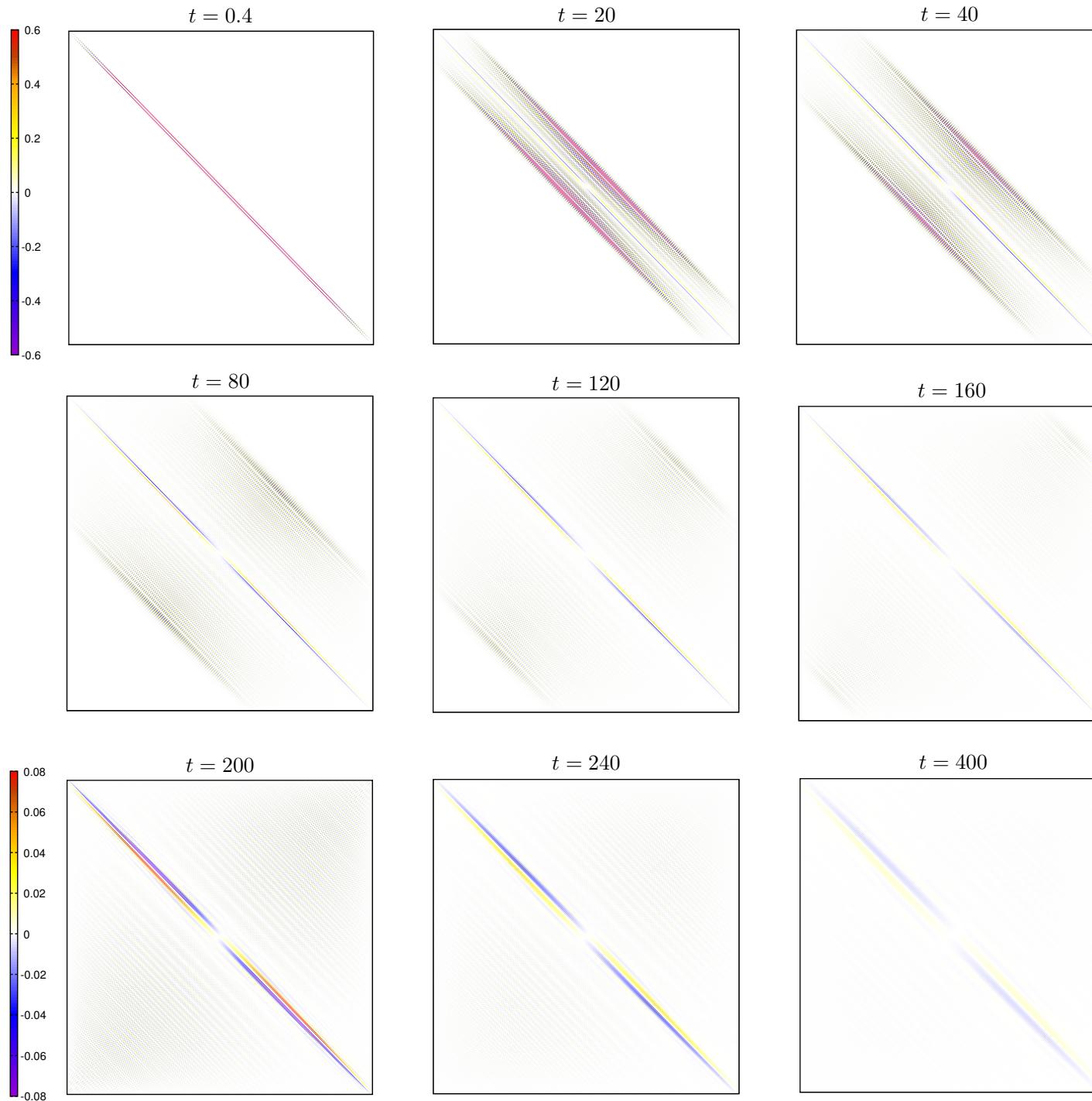
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[Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]

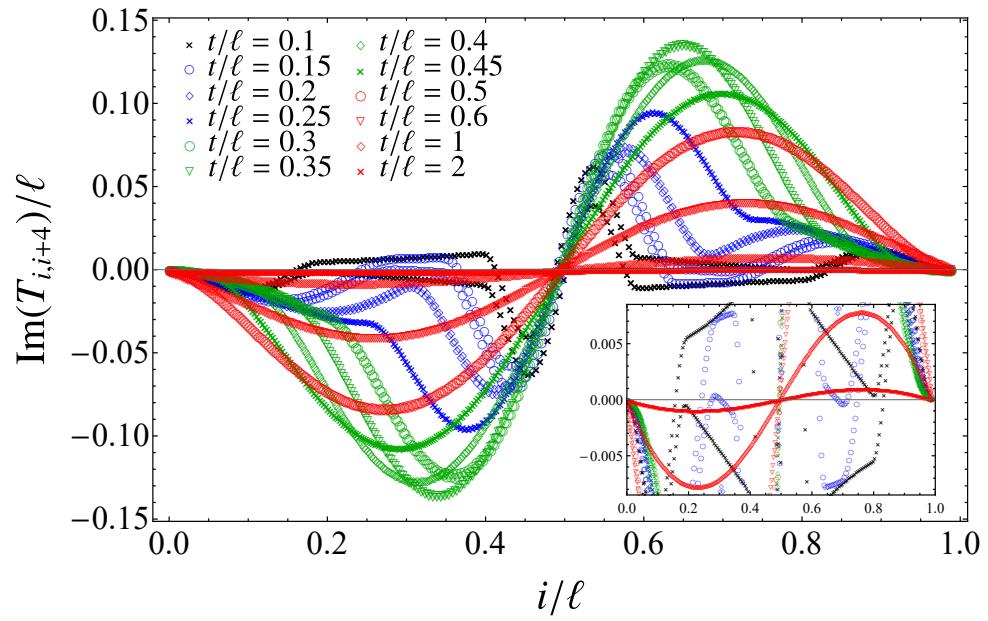
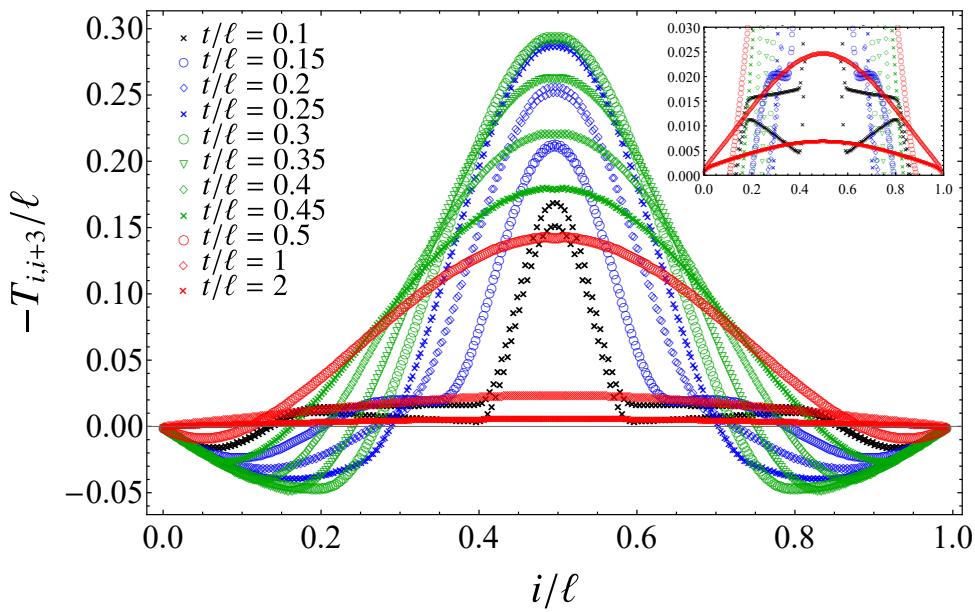
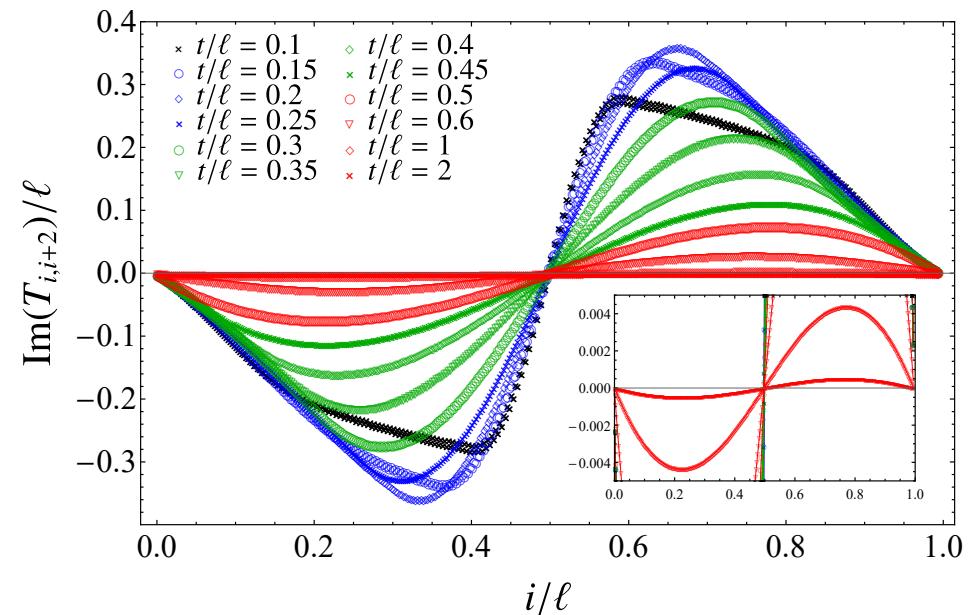
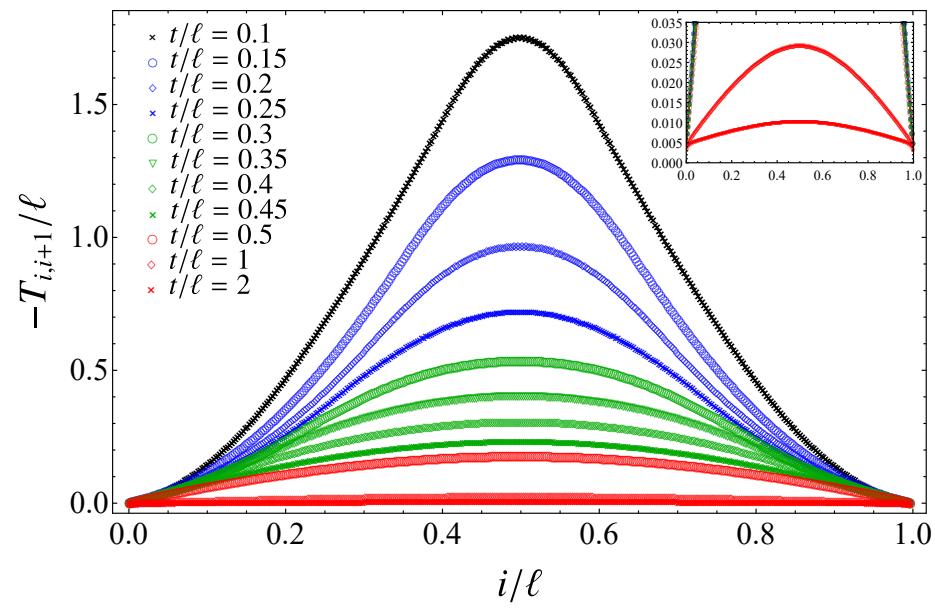


Evolution of the EH matrix (imaginary part) in the FFC

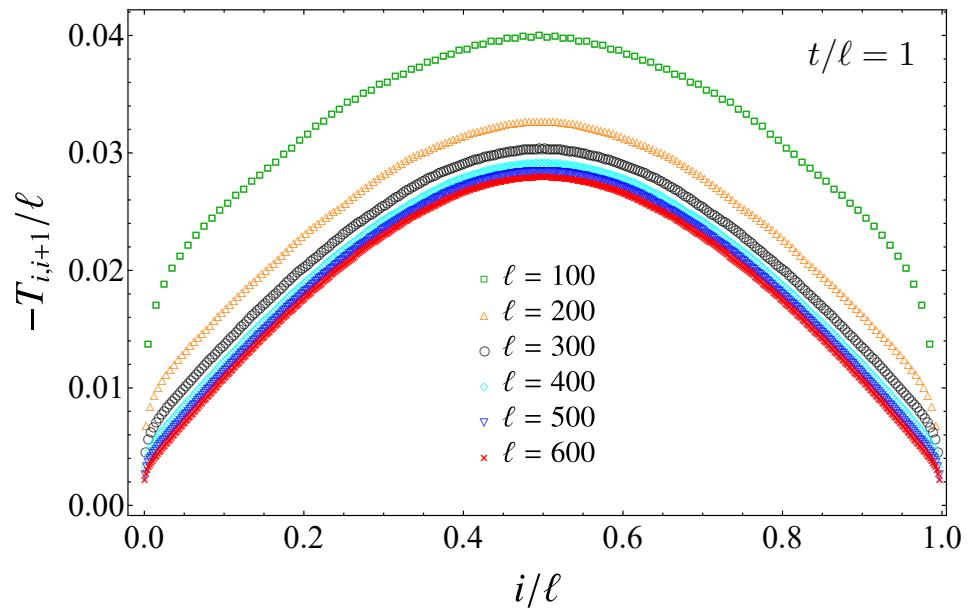
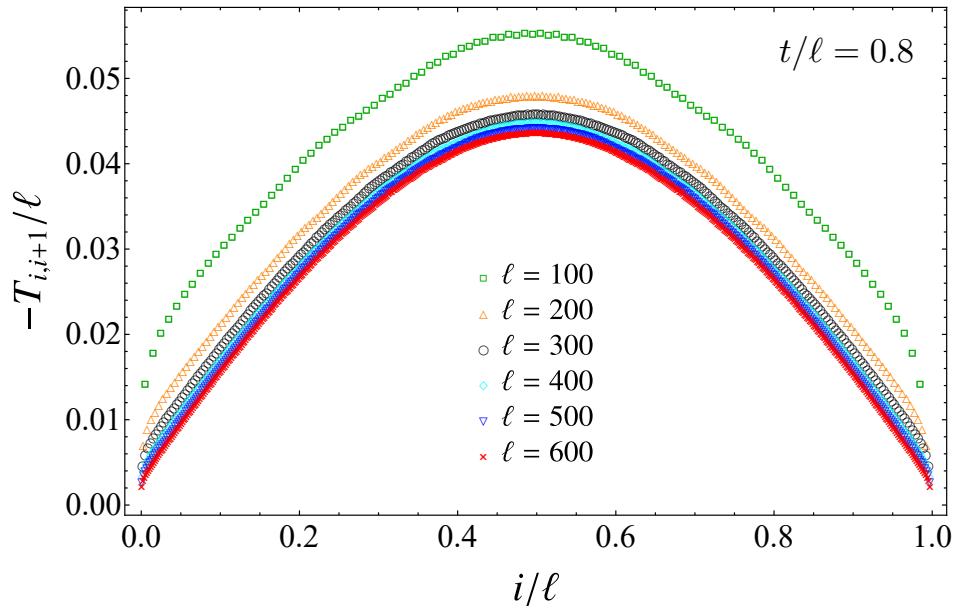
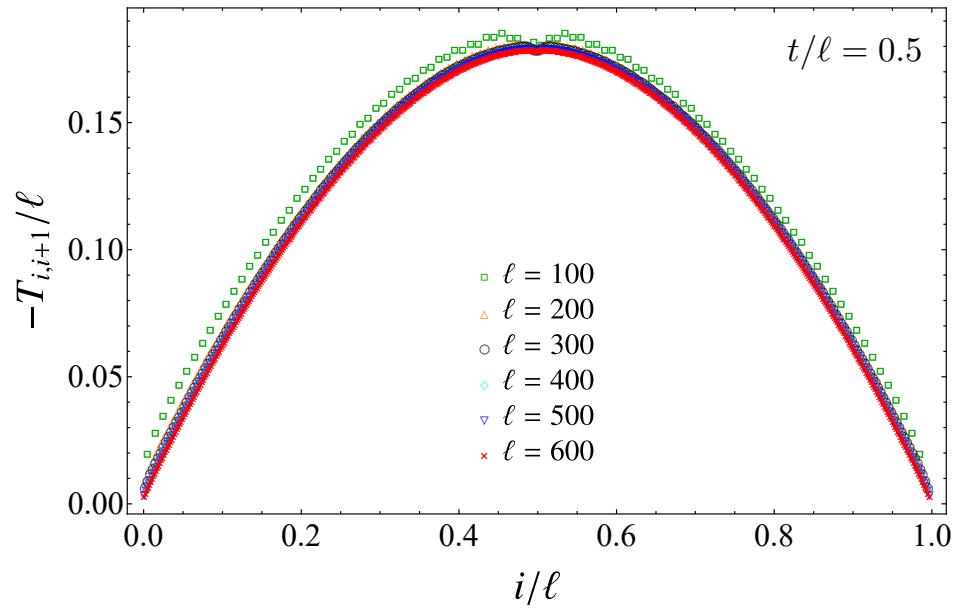
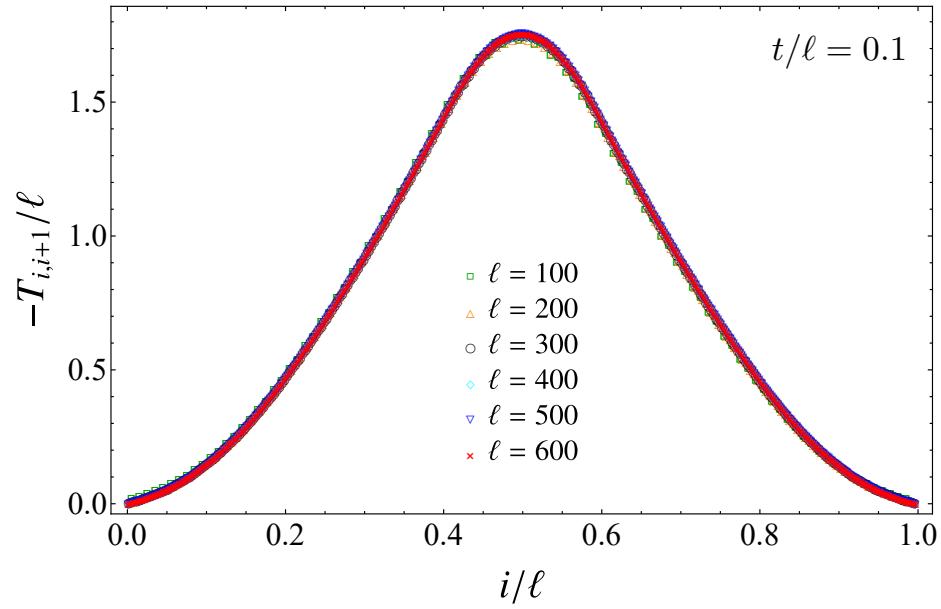
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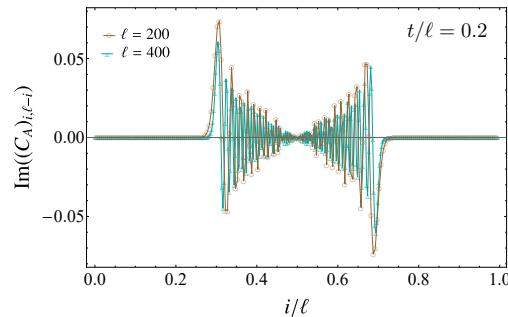
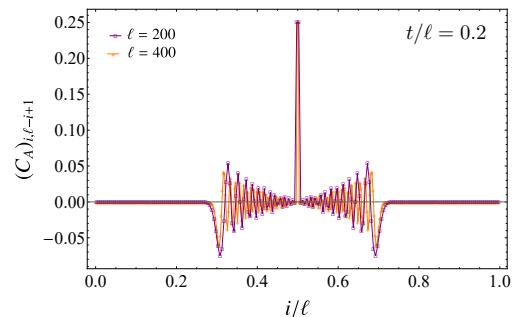
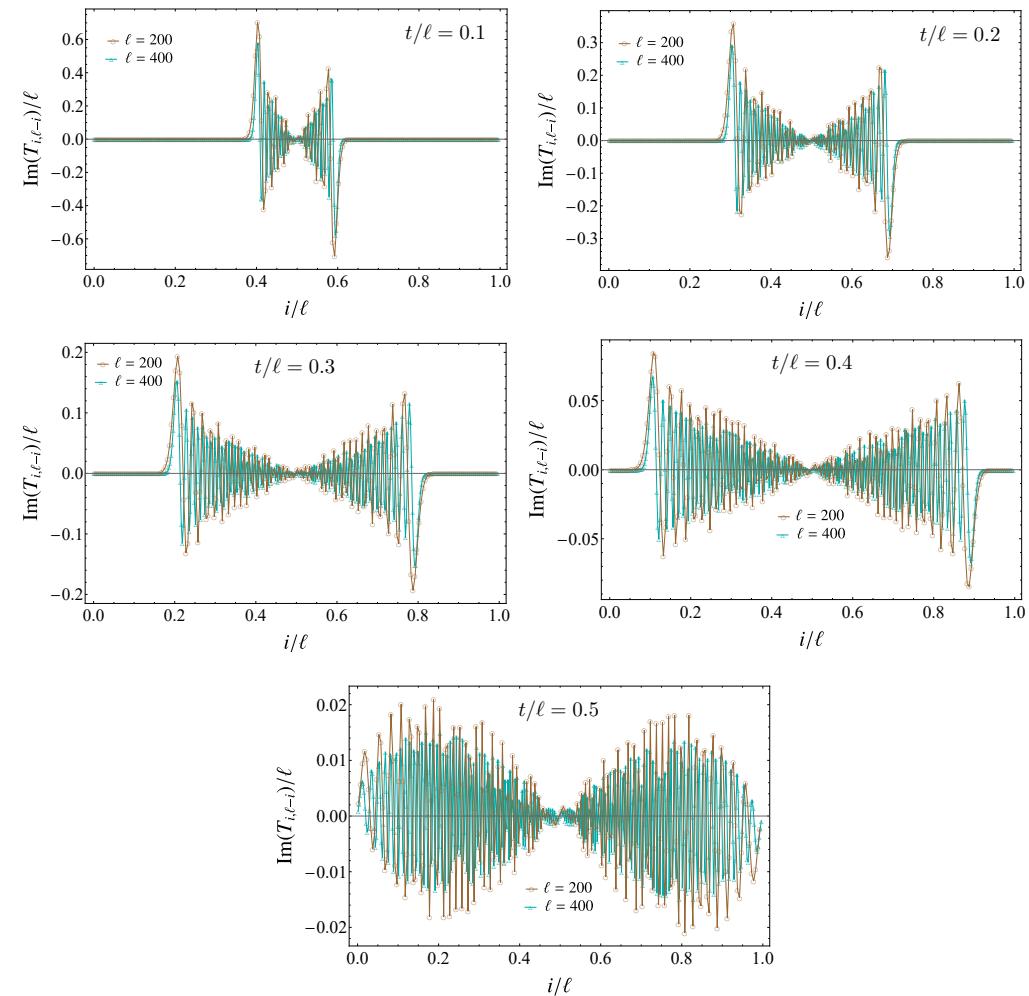
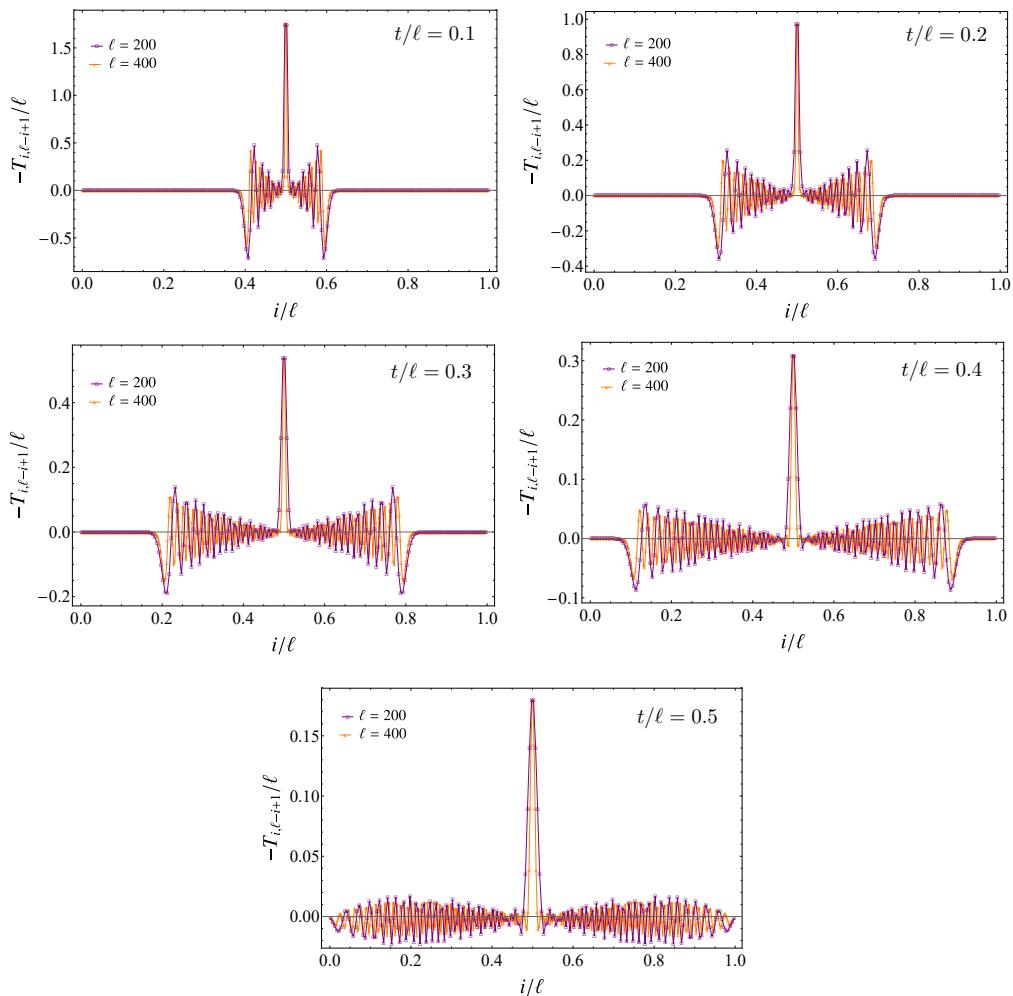
EH matrix in FFC: first diagonals



EH matrix in FFC: first diagonal

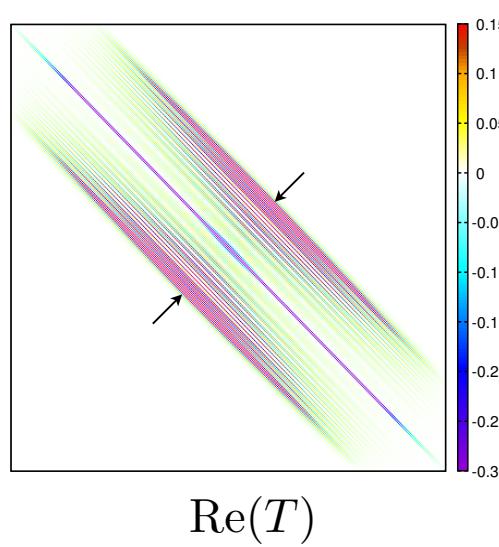


EH matrix in FFC: antidiagonals

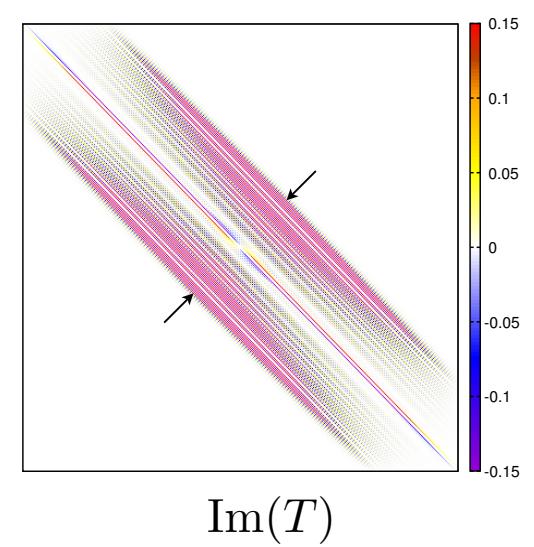
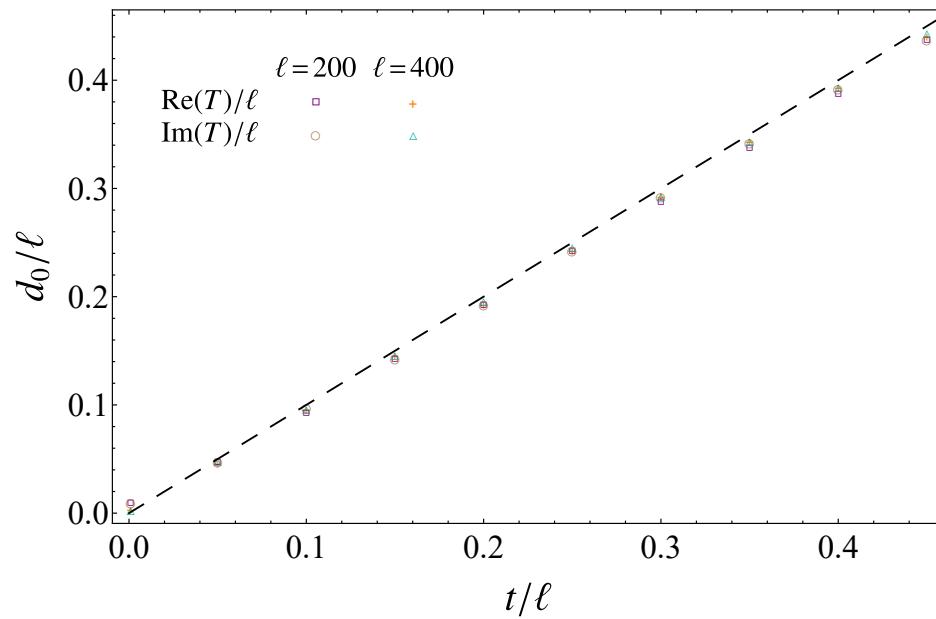


EH matrix in FFC: antidiagonals

- Linear growth of the antidiagonals of $\text{Re}(T)$ and $\text{Im}(T)$

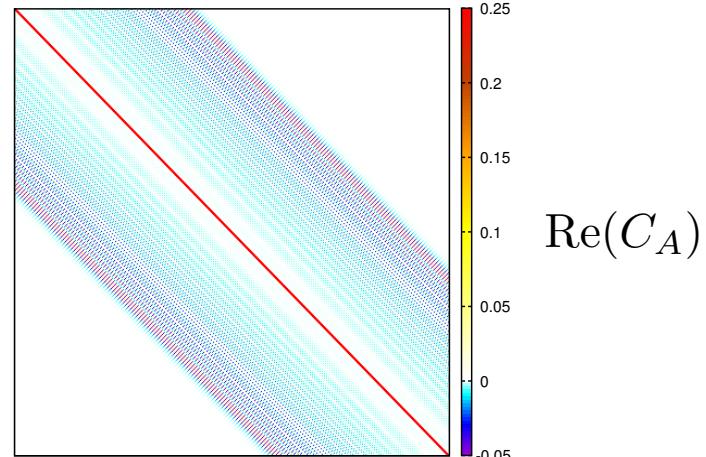


$\text{Re}(T)$

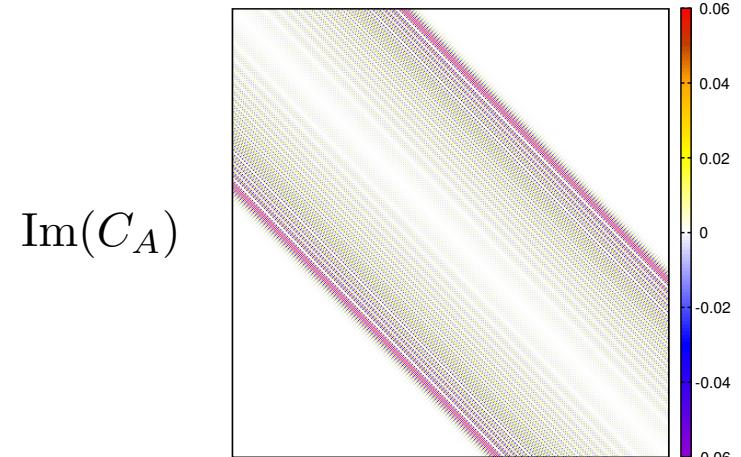


$\text{Im}(T)$

- Same linear growth observed for antidiagonals of $C_A(t)$

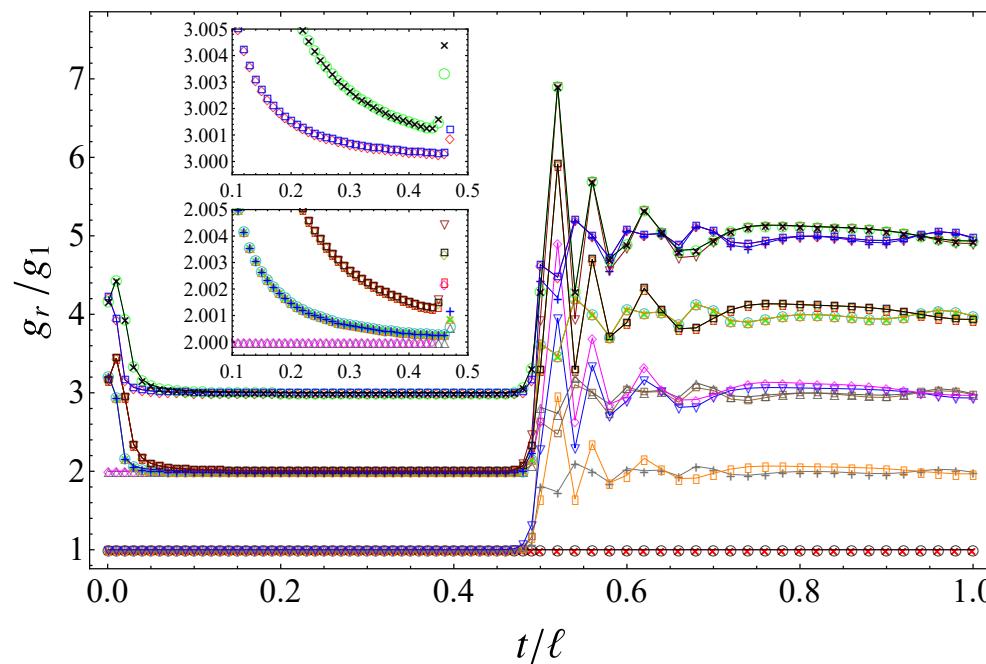
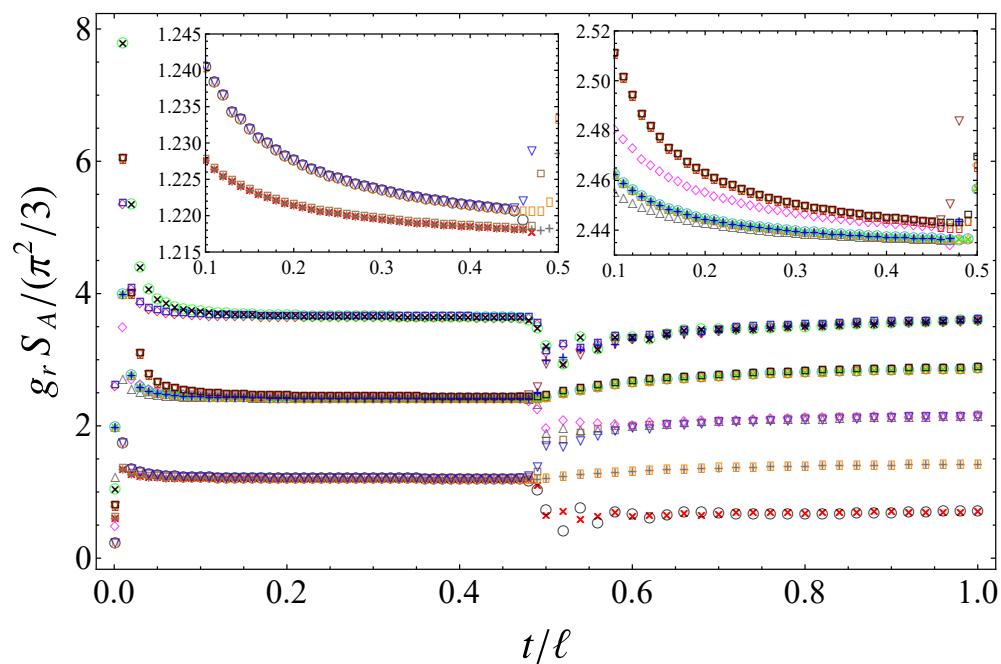
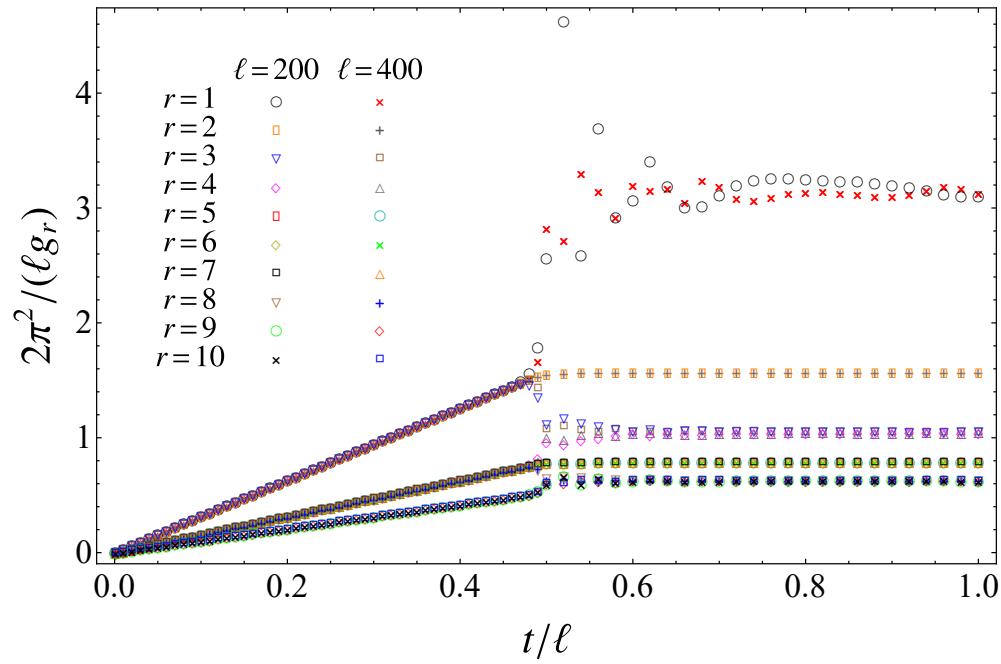


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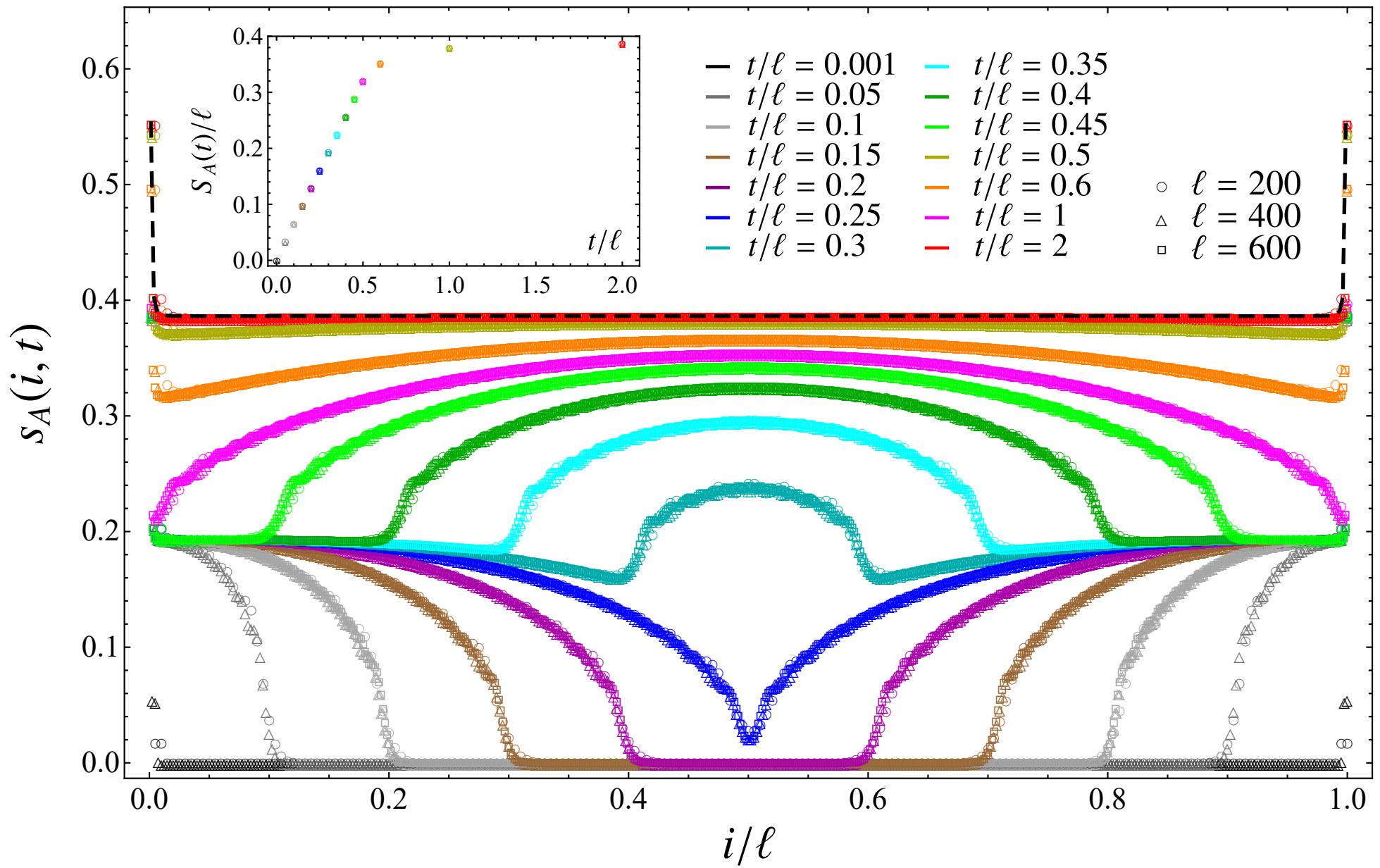


$\text{Im}(C_A)$

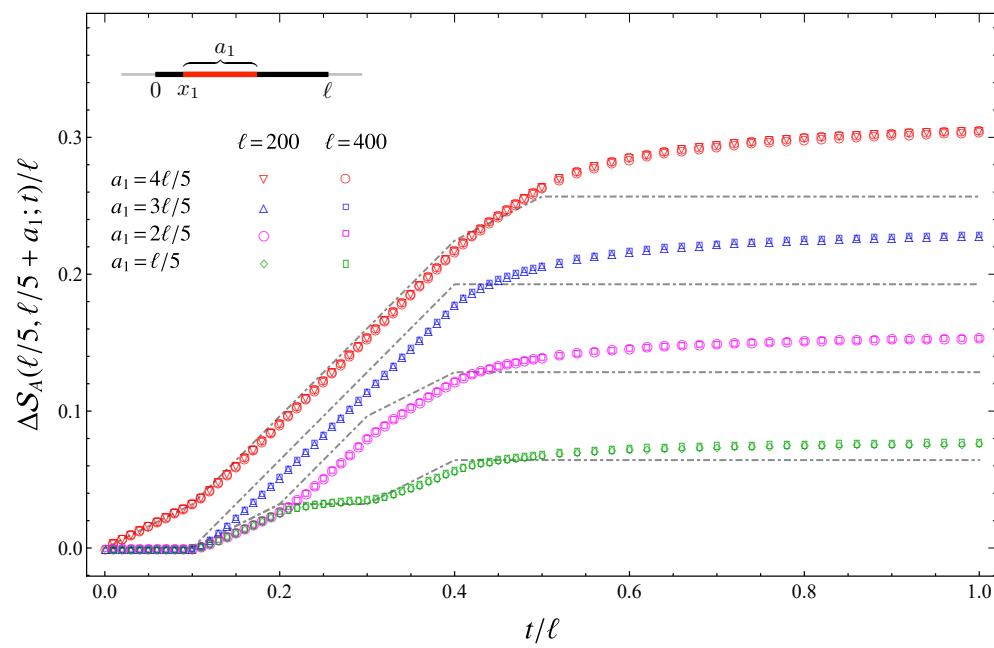
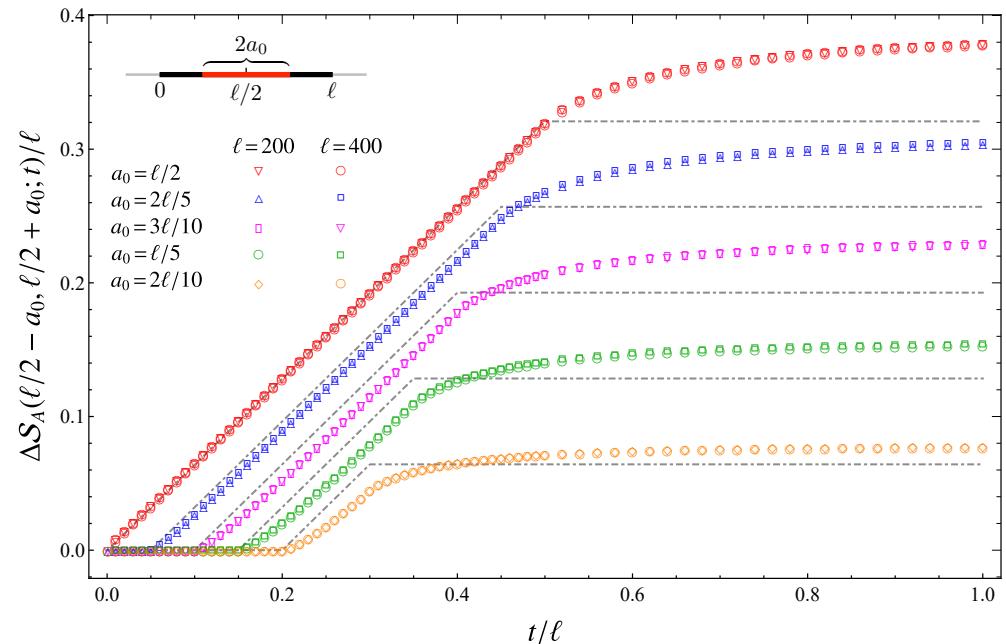
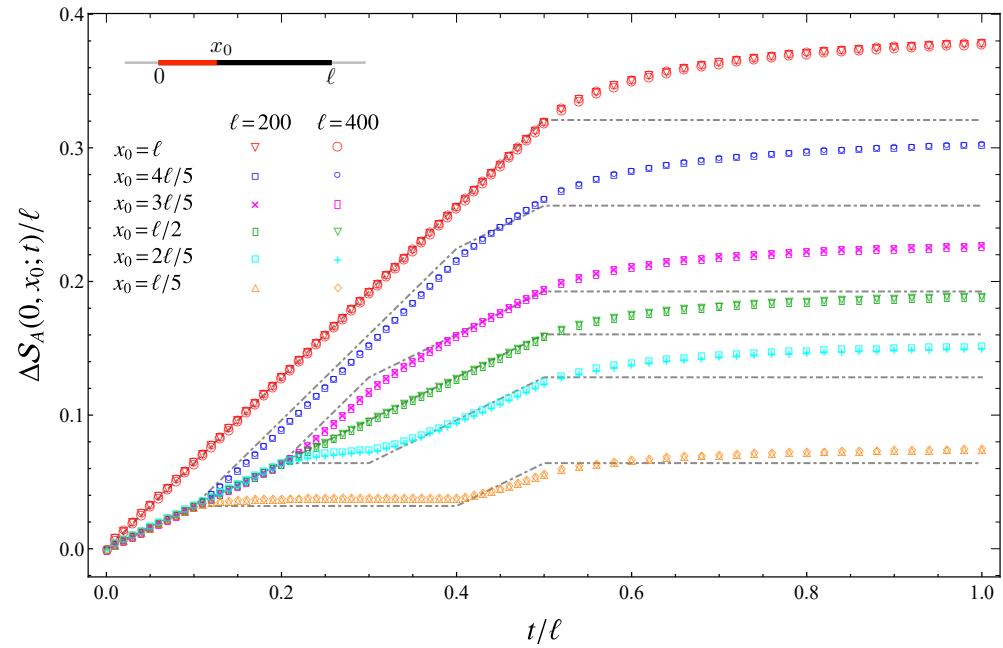
Gaps in the entanglement spectrum in the FFC



Contour for the EE in the FFC



Integrals of the contour for EE in the HC

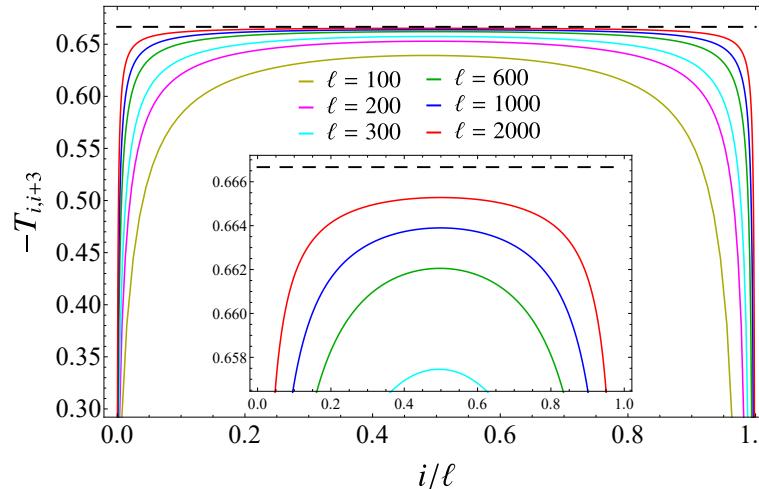
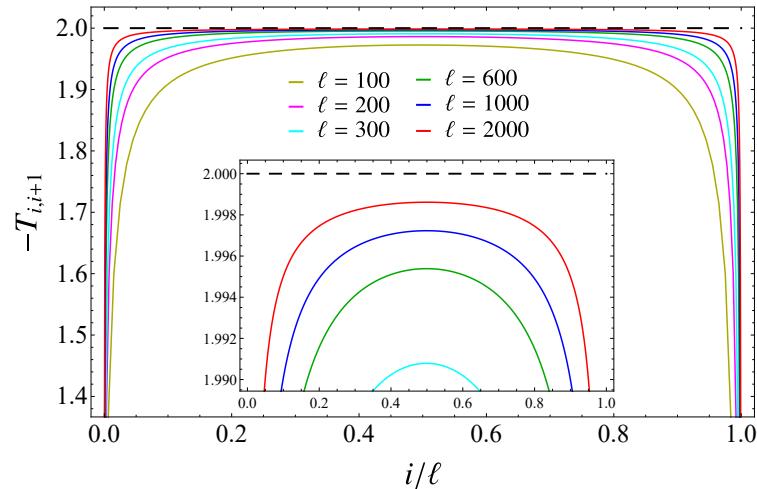
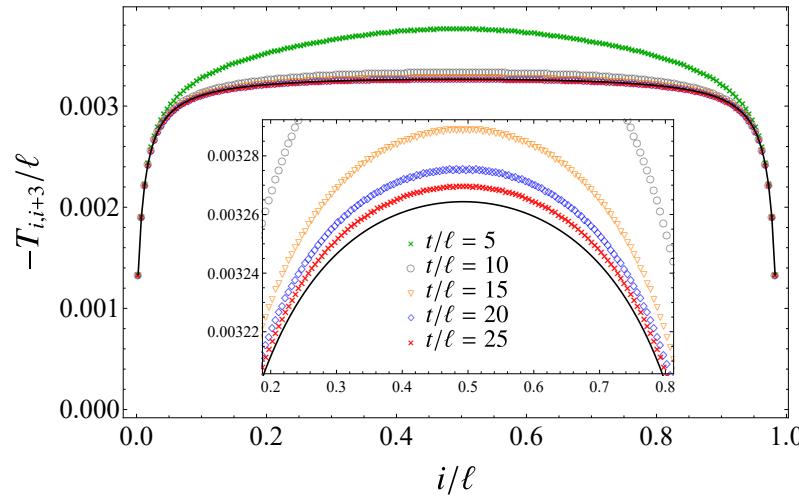
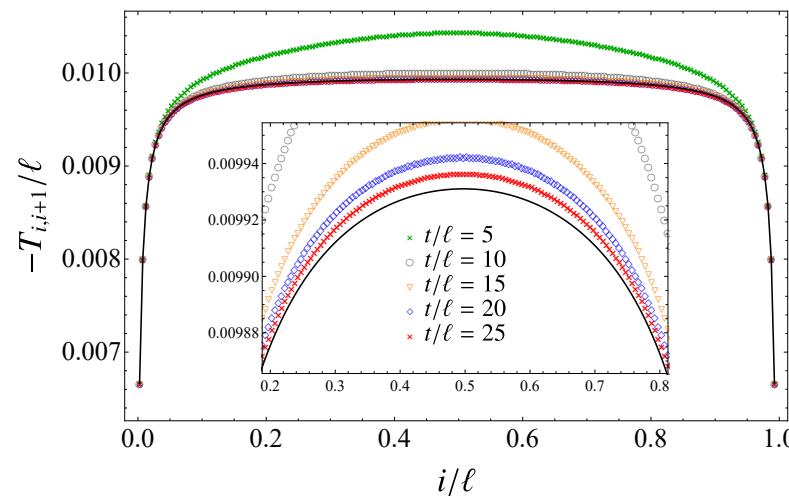


FFC: EH matrix in the long time regime

- The results of [Eisler, Peschel, (2007)] allow to write an analytic expression for the EH matrix T and the $s_A(i)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ [Di Giulio, Arias, E.T., (2019)]

$$T_{i,j} = \frac{4}{\ell + 1} \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} \log[\tan(\theta_k/2)] \sin(i\theta_k) \sin(j\theta_k)$$

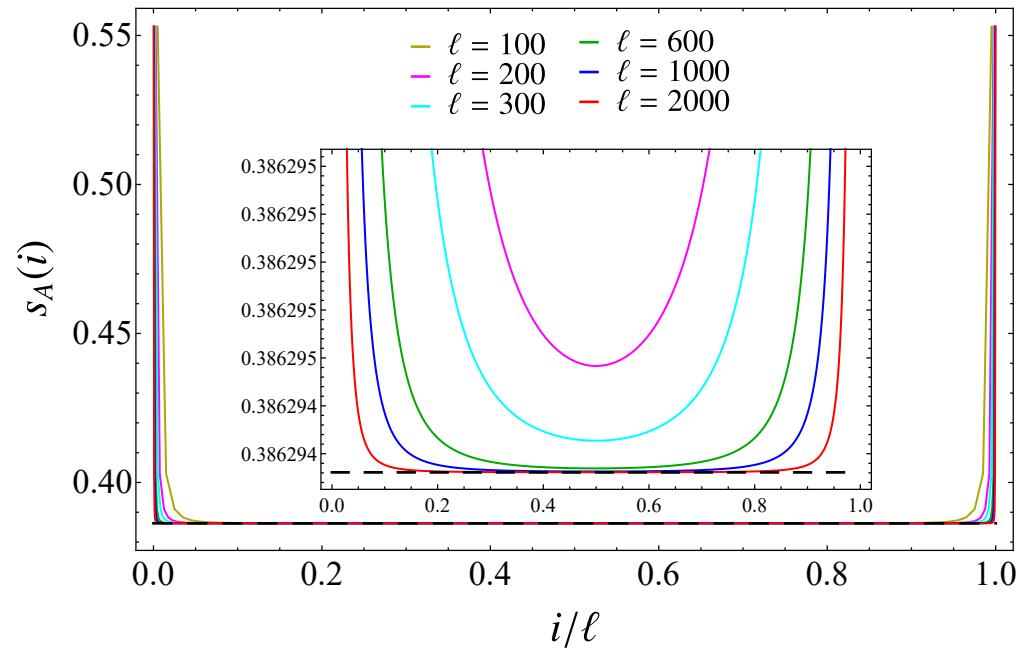
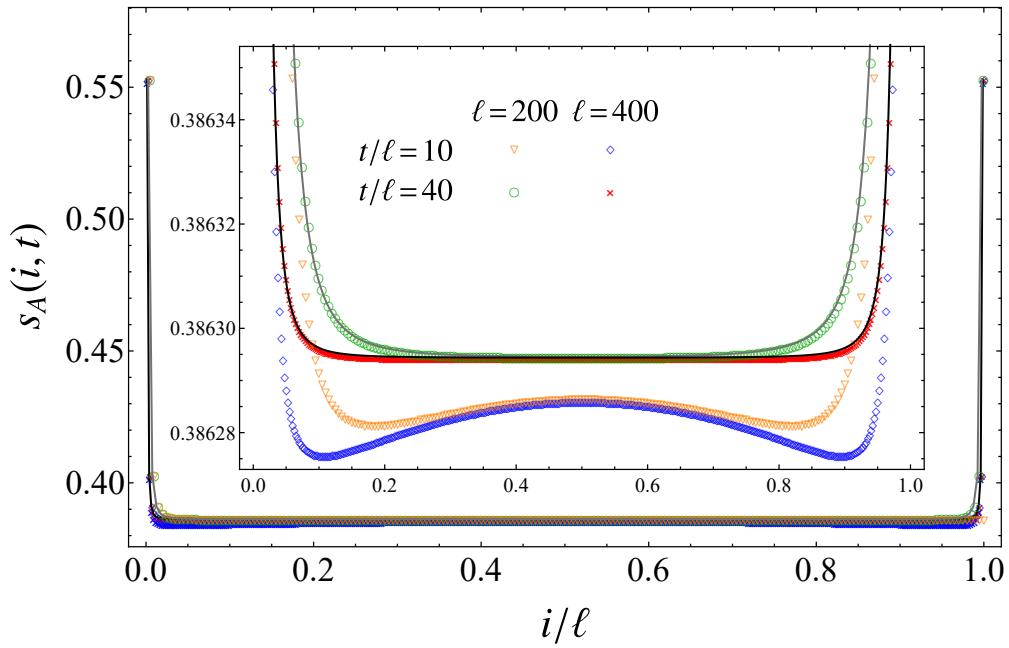
$$\theta_k \equiv \frac{\pi k}{\ell + 1}$$



FCC: Contour for EE in the long time regime

- The contour function for EE as $t \rightarrow \infty$ becomes

$$s_A^{(n)}(i) = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} s_n(\zeta_k) u_k(i)^2 = \frac{2}{\ell+1} \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} s_n(\zeta_k) [\sin(i\theta_k)]^2$$



Conclusions & some open issues

- Continuum limit of an Entanglement Hamiltonian
 - Entanglement Hamiltonians of an interval & contour for EE after a global quench:
 - Harmonic chain: quench of the frequency parameter
 - Chain of free fermions: a quench of the couplings
 - Analytic insights from CFT and quasi-particle picture
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- Some open problems:
 - Interacting models
 - Other quenches
 - Higher dimensions
 - Other spatial configurations
 - Holography

Thank you!

Entanglement contours in the lattice: further properties

[Chen, Vidal, (2014)]

- Besides $S_A^{(n)} = \sum_{i \in A} s_A^{(n)}(i)$ and $s_A^{(n)}(i) \geq 0$, other properties can be imposed on the contour function.

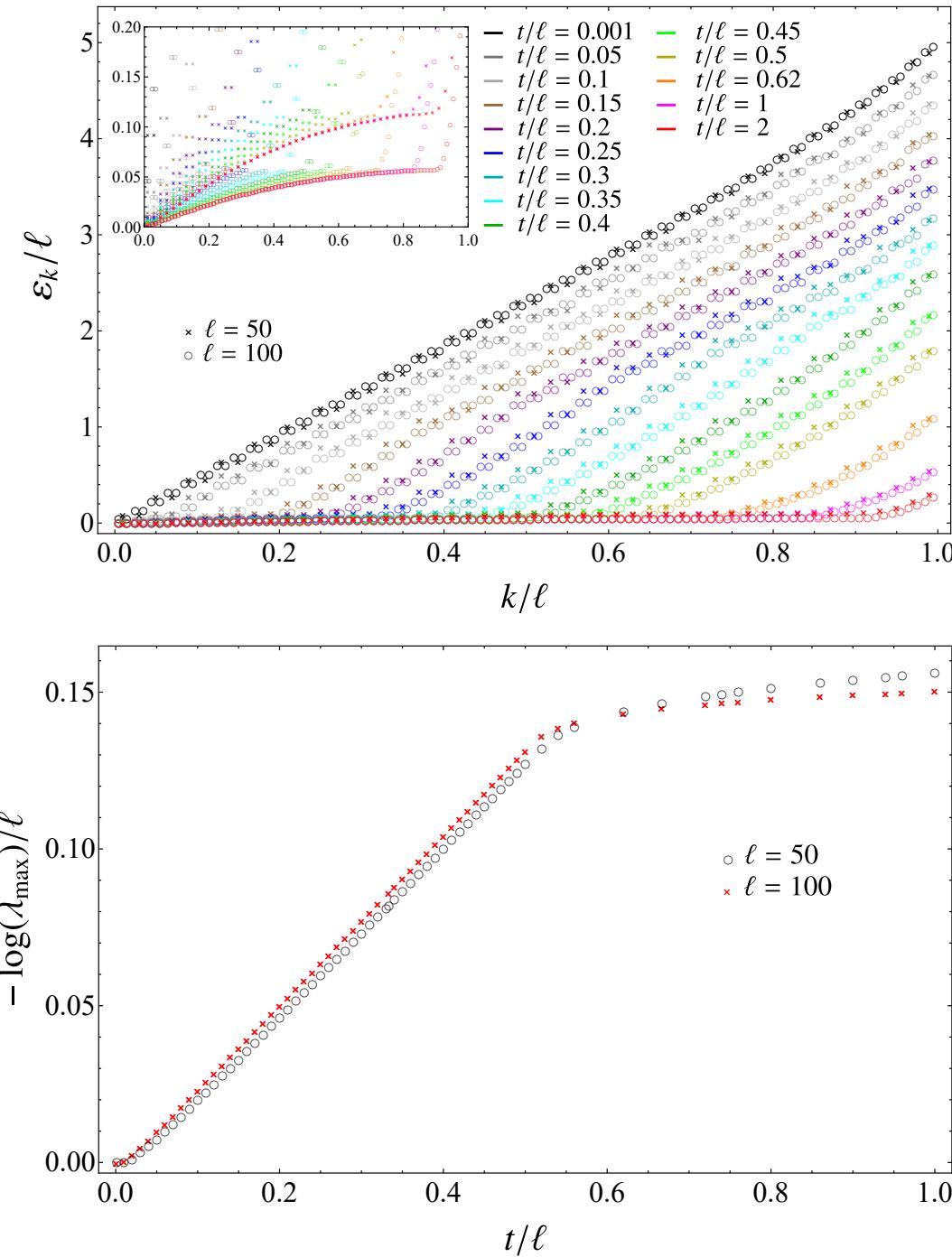
- (a) Spatial symmetry. If ρ_A is invariant under a transformation relating the sites i and j in the subsystem A , then $s_A^{(n)}(i) = s_A^{(n)}(j)$.

The contour $s_A^{(n)}(G)$ of a subregion $G \subseteq A$ is $s_A^{(n)}(G) \equiv \sum_{i \in G} s_A^{(n)}(i)$.

- (b) Invariance under local unitary transformations. Given a system in the state ρ and a unitary transformation U_G acting non trivially only on $G \subseteq A$, denoting by ρ' the state of the system after such transformation, the same contour $s_A^{(n)}(G)$ should be found for ρ and ρ' .

- (c) A bound. Given a system in the pure state $|\Psi\rangle$ and $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$, let us assume that the further decompositions $\mathcal{H}_A = \mathcal{H}_{\Omega_A} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\bar{\Omega}_A}$ and $\mathcal{H}_B = \mathcal{H}_{\Omega_B} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\bar{\Omega}_B}$ lead to the factorisation of the state $|\Psi\rangle = |\Psi_{\Omega_A \Omega_B}\rangle \otimes |\Psi_{\bar{\Omega}_A \bar{\Omega}_B}\rangle$. Considering a subregion $G \subseteq A$ such that $\bigotimes_{i \in G} \mathcal{H}_i \subseteq \mathcal{H}_{\Omega_A}$, we must have $s_A^{(n)}(G) \leq S^{(n)}(\Omega_A)$, where $S^{(n)}(\Omega_A)$ are the entanglement entropies obtained by tracing over $\mathcal{H}_{\bar{\Omega}_A} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$.

Entanglement spectrum in HC



Entanglement spectrum in the FFC

