

**The $S = \frac{1}{2}$ XY and XYZ models
on the two or higher
dimensional hypercubic lattice
do not possess nontrivial
local conserved quantities**

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mathematical studies of quantum many-body systems

exact solutions

free fermion, Bethe ansatz, Yang-Baxter relation ...

only cover special “integrable” models

rigorous, general theorems

cover models in a certain class, both
integrable and non-integrable

there are properties/phenomena (quantum chaos, ETH =
energy eigenstate thermalization hypothesis) that are
expected to take place only in non-integrable systems

**before 2019, there were essentially no
mathematical results that exclusively applied to
non-integrable systems**

Shiraishi's work in 2019

$S = \frac{1}{2}$ XYZ-h spin chain with Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{XYZ-h}} = - \sum_{j=1}^L \{ J_X \hat{X}_j \hat{X}_{j+1} + J_Y \hat{Y}_j \hat{Y}_{j+1} + J_Z \hat{Z}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} + h \hat{Z}_j \}$$

integrable (can be mapped to a free fermion) if $J_Z = 0$

serieses of local conserved quantities $[\hat{H}_{\text{XY-h}}, \hat{Q}_{k_{\max}}^{\pm}] = 0$

$$\hat{Q}_3^+ = \sum_{j=1}^L \{ J_X \hat{X}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{X}_{j+2} + J_Y \hat{Y}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{Y}_{j+2} - h(\hat{X}_j \hat{X}_{j+1} + \hat{Y}_j \hat{Y}_{j+1}) \} \quad k_{\max} = 3, 4, \dots$$

$$\hat{Q}_3^- = \sum_{j=1}^L \{ \hat{X}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{Y}_{j+2} - \hat{Y}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{X}_{j+2} \}$$

$$\hat{Q}_4^+ = \sum_{j=1}^L \{ J_X(\hat{X}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{Z}_{j+2} \hat{X}_{j+3} + \hat{Y}_j \hat{Y}_{j+1}) + J_Y(\hat{Y}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{Z}_{j+2} \hat{Y}_{j+3} + \hat{X}_j \hat{X}_{j+1}) - h(\hat{X}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{X}_{j+2} + \hat{Y}_j \hat{Z}_{j+1} \hat{Y}_{j+2}) \}$$

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if $J_X \neq J_Y$, $J_Z \neq 0$, and $h \neq 0$, the model has no local conserved quantities with support size $3 \leq k_{\max} \leq L/2$

Naoto Shiraishi, "Proof of the absence of local conserved quantities in the XYZ chain with a magnetic field", 2019

the first rigorous result that applies exclusively to non-integrable models!

Shiraishi's work and its extensions

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Shiraishi 2019

extensions to the quantum Ising model (Chiba 2024), the PXP model (Park and Lee 2024), the $S = 1/2$ chains with next-nearest neighbor interactions (Shiraishi 2024), and the $S = 1$ model with bilinear biquadratic interactions (Park and Lee 2024) ...

FAQ: do these results prove the models are non-integrable?

Answer: this may not be a good question. the answer depends on how one defines "integrability"

empirical rule: a simple quantum spin model is either integrable or does not possess local conserved quantities

Shiraishi's work and its extensions

$S = \frac{1}{2}$ anisotropic Heisenberg chain with Hamiltonian

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Absence of Local Conserved Quantity in the Heisenberg Model with Next-Nearest-Neighbor Interaction

$-h \hat{Z}_j \}$
 $\leq L/2$
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Abstract

We rigorously prove that the $S = 1/2$ anisotropic Heisenberg next-nearest-neighbor interaction, which is anticipated to be non-integrable in the sense that this system has no nontrivial local conserved quantities, is non-integrable. This result covers some important models including the Majumdar–Ghosh model, the Sutherland model, and many other zigzag spin chains as special cases. Although it has been shown to be non-integrable while they have some solvable energy levels, in this result, we provide a pedagogical review of the proof of non-integrability for the XYZ chain with Z magnetic field, whose proof technique is employed in this paper.

Keywords Integrable systems · Heisenberg chain · Majumdar–Ghosh model · integral of motion



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Shiraishi 2019

extensions to the quantum Ising model (Chiba 2024), the PXP model, the $S = 1/2$ chain with next-nearest

neighbor bilinear interactions, we shall extend the proof of the absence of local conserved quantities to quantum spin models in two or higher dimensions

FAQ: does this proof imply the model is integrable?

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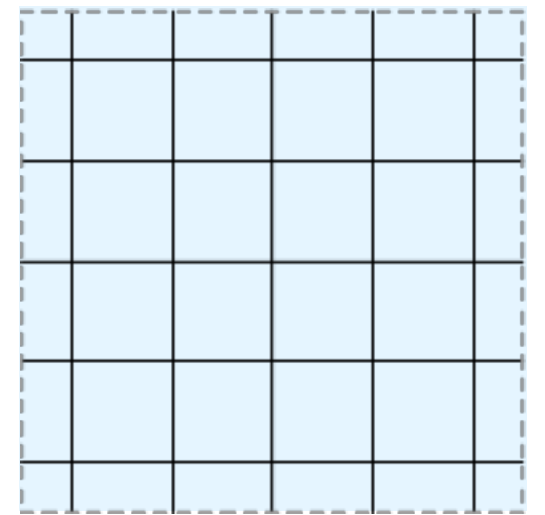
$S = \frac{1}{2}$ model in d dimensions

operators of a single spin is spanned by

$$\hat{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{Z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Lambda = \{1, \dots, L\}^d$ d -dimensional $L \times \dots \times L$
hypercubic lattice with periodic b.c.

$\hat{X}_u, \hat{Y}_u, \hat{Z}_u$ copies of $\hat{X}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}$ at site $u \in \Lambda$



Hamiltonian of the XYZ model

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H} = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{u,v \in \Lambda \\ (|u-v|=1)}} \{ J_X \hat{X}_u \hat{X}_v + J_Y \hat{Y}_u \hat{Y}_v + J_Z \hat{Z}_u \hat{Z}_v \} \\ & - \sum_{u \in \Lambda} \{ h_X \hat{X}_u + h_Y \hat{Y}_u + h_Z \hat{Z}_u \} \end{aligned}$$

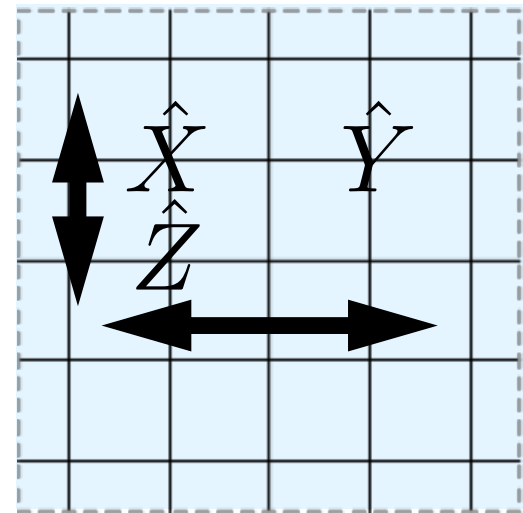
$$J_X, J_Y, J_Z, h_X, h_Y, h_Z \in \mathbb{R}, \quad J_X \neq 0, J_Y \neq 0$$

local conserved quantities

$A = \bigotimes_{u \in S} \hat{A}_u$ product of Pauli matrices

$$\Lambda \supset S \neq \emptyset \quad \hat{A}_u = \hat{X}_u, \hat{Y}_u, \hat{Z}_u$$

$A =$



$\text{Wid} A = 3$

\mathcal{P}_Λ the set of all products

$\text{Wid} A$ the maximum width of the support $S \subset \Lambda$

candidate of a local conserved quantity with width k_{\max}
such that $2 \leq k_{\max} \leq \frac{L}{2}$

$$\hat{Q} = \sum_{\substack{A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda \\ (\text{Wid} A \leq k_{\max})}} q_A A \quad q_A \in \mathbb{C}$$

$q_A \neq 0$ for at least one A with $\text{Wid} A = k_{\max}$

\hat{Q} is a local conserved quantity iff $[\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] = 0$

main theorems

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{u,v \in \Lambda \\ (|u-v|=1)}} \{J_X \hat{X}_u \hat{X}_v + J_Y \hat{Y}_u \hat{Y}_v + J_Z \hat{Z}_u \hat{Z}_v\} - \sum_{u \in \Lambda} \{h_X \hat{X}_u + h_Y \hat{Y}_u + h_Z \hat{Z}_u\}$$

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Theorem: there are no local conserved quantities \hat{Q} with width k_{\max} such that $3 \leq k_{\max} \leq \frac{L}{2}$

Hamiltonian is a local conserved quantity with $k_{\max} = 2$

Theorem: any local conserved quantity with $k_{\max} = 2$ is written as $\hat{Q} = \eta \hat{H} + \hat{Q}_1$ with $\eta \neq 0$, where \hat{Q}_1 is a linear combination of single-site Pauli matrices

See also the
accompanying video!

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basic strategy of the proof

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$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{u,v \in \Lambda \\ (|u-v|=1)}} \{J_X \hat{X}_u \hat{X}_v + J_Y \hat{Y}_u \hat{Y}_v + J_Z \hat{Z}_u \hat{Z}_v\} - \sum_{u \in \Lambda} \{h_X \hat{X}_u + h_Y \hat{Y}_u + h_Z \hat{Z}_u\}$$

$$A = \bigotimes_{u \in S} \hat{A}_u \quad [\hat{H}, A] = \sum_{B \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda} \lambda_{A,B} B$$

$$\hat{Q} = \sum_{A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda} q_A A$$

written in terms of
 $J_X, J_Y, J_Z, h_X, h_Y, h_Z$

$$\hat{X}^2 = \hat{Y}^2 = \hat{Z}^2 = \hat{I}$$

$$\hat{X}\hat{Y} = -\hat{Y}\hat{X} = i\hat{Z}$$

$$\hat{Y}\hat{Z} = -\hat{Z}\hat{Y} = i\hat{X}$$

$$\hat{Z}\hat{X} = -\hat{X}\hat{Z} = i\hat{Y}$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] = \sum_{B \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda} \left(\sum_{A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda} \lambda_{A,B} q_A \right) B$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] = 0$$

$$\sum_{A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda} \lambda_{A,B} q_A = 0 \text{ for all } B \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda$$

coupled linear equations for q_A

$$q_A = 0 \text{ for all } A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda \quad \text{when } 3 \leq k_{\max} \leq \frac{L}{2}$$

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$$\sum_{A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda \text{ (Wid } A \leq k_{\max})} \lambda_{A,B} q_A = 0 \text{ for all } B \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda$$

if there is B such that $\lambda_{A,B} \neq 0$ for only one A

$$\lambda_{A,B} q_A = 0 \longrightarrow q_A = 0$$

if there is B such that $\lambda_{A,B} \neq 0$ only for $A = A_1, A_2$

$$\lambda_{A_1,B} q_{A_1} + \lambda_{A_2,B} q_{A_2} = 0 \longrightarrow q_{A_1} = \lambda q_{A_2} \quad (\lambda \neq 0)$$

 Shiraishi-shift

lemma: for any A with $\text{Wid } A = k_{\max}$, we have either

$$q_A = 0, \quad q_A = \lambda' q_{C_{XX}}, \quad q_A = \lambda'' q_{C_{YX}} \quad (\lambda', \lambda'' \neq 0)$$

with

$$C_{XX} = \hat{X}_{x_0+e_1} \hat{Z}_{x_0+2e_1} \cdots \hat{Z}_{x_0+(k_{\max}-1)e_1} \hat{X}_{x_0+k_{\max}e_1}$$
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the problem reduced to that in essentially one dimension!

2nd step of the proof Shiraishi 2019, 2024


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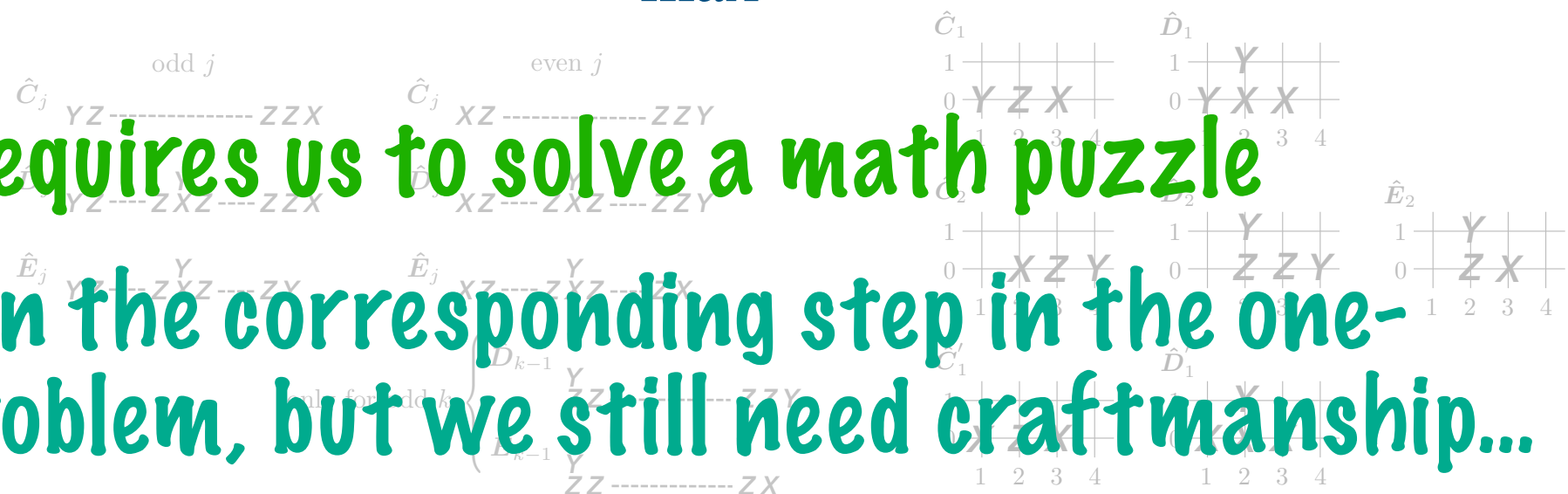
 use $\sum_{A \in \mathcal{P}_\Lambda} \lambda_{A,B} q_A = 0$ for appropriate B to show

$$q_{C_{XX}} = q_{C_{YX}} = 0$$

$q_A = 0$ for any A with $\text{Wid}A = k_{\max} \Rightarrow$ contradiction

the step  requires us to solve a math puzzle

it is easier than the corresponding step in the one-dimensional problem, but we still need craftsmanship...



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summary

✓ we proved that the XY and XYZ models on the d -dimensional hypercubic lattice with $d \geq 2$ possess no local conserved quantities

✓ the theorem applies to the simplest XX model

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{u,v \in \Lambda \\ (|u-v|=1)}} \{ \hat{X}_u \hat{X}_v + \hat{Y}_u \hat{Y}_v \}$$

easily solved in 1D

quantum many-body models becomes
“less solvable” in higher dimensions

✓ the strategy of the proof is a natural extension of that developed by Shiraishi in 2019, with some new ideas to treat higher dimensional models

discussion

☑ proof of the absence of local conserved quantities is interesting and meaningful by itself

gives a strong indication that the models are not “solvable”

sheds light on the algebraic structure of quantum spin models

☑ it is challenging to develop techniques for proving results that are relevant to long-time dynamics

- ◆ absence of quasi local conserved quantities
- ◆ the relation between the lack of conserved quantities and the operator growth (Krylov complexity)
- ◆ justification of ETH (energy eigenstate thermalization hypothesis)

