Delocalization by nonlinearity and interactions in systems with disorder

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- Anderson localization 1958 2008: Introduction, 50 years after
- Discrete Anderson nonlinear
 Schrödinger equation (DANSE) (d = 1,2)
- Dynamical thermalization of nonlinear disordered lattices: anti-FPU
- Two interacting particles effect
- Åberg criterion for dynamical thermalization in many-body quantum systems

Anderson localization: introduction & perspectives

from the talk of P.W.Anderson at Newton Institute, July 21, 2008 see http://www.newton.ac.uk/programmes/MPA/seminars/072117001.html



Perspectives: a)localization in new type of systems; b)effects of interactions.

3d-Dynamical de-localization of atomic waves



quantum chaos in kicked rotator => Chirikov localization in momentum space => dynamical analog of 3d Anderson transition $H = p^2/2 + K \cos x[1 + \epsilon \cos(\omega_2 t) \cos(\omega_3 t)] \sum_m \delta(t - m), \quad \hbar_{eff} = 2.89$

J.C.Garreau et al. PRL 101, 255702 (2008); theory prediction at PRL 62, 345 (1989)

Nonlinearity and Anderson localization: estimates

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial\psi_{\mathbf{n}}}{\partial t} = E_{\mathbf{n}}\psi_{\mathbf{n}} + \beta |\psi_{\mathbf{n}}|^{2}\psi_{\mathbf{n}} + V(\psi_{\mathbf{n+1}} + \psi_{\mathbf{n-1}}); [-W/2 < E_{\mathbf{n}} < W/2]$$

localization length $I \approx 96(V/W)^2$ (1D); ln $I \sim (V/W)^2$ (2D) Amplitudes C in the linear eigenbasis are described by the equation

$$i\frac{\partial C_m}{\partial t} = \epsilon_m C_m + \beta \sum_{m_1 m_2 m_3} U_{mm_1 m_2 m_3} C_{m_1} C_{m_2}^* C_{m_3}$$

the transition matrix elements are $U_{mm_1m_2m_3} = \sum_n O_{nm}^{-1} Q_{nm_1} Q_{nm_2}^* Q_{nm_3} \sim 1/l^{3d/2}$. There are about l^{3d} random terms in the sum with $U \sim l^{-3d/2}$ so that we have $idC/dt \sim \beta C^3$. We assume that the probability is distributed over $\Delta n > l^d$ states of the lattice basis. Then from the normalization condition we have $c_m \sim 1/(\Delta n)^{1/2}$ and the transition rate to new non-populated states in the basis m is $\Gamma \sim \beta^2 |C|^6 \sim \beta^2/(\Delta n)^3$. Due to localization these transitions take place on a size *l* and hence the diffusion rate in the distance $\Delta R \sim (\Delta n)^{1/d}$ of d – dimensional m – space is $d(\Delta R)^2/dt \sim l^2\Gamma \sim \beta^2 l^2/(\Delta n)^3 \sim \beta^2 l^2/(\Delta R)^{3d}$. At large time scales $\Delta R \sim R$ and we obtain

$$\Delta n \sim R^d \sim (\beta l)^{2d/(3d+2)} t^{d/(3d+2)}; \ (\Delta n)^2 \propto t^{lpha}; \ lpha = 2/(3d+2)$$

Chaos criterion:

$$S = \delta \omega / \Delta \omega \sim \beta > \beta_c \sim 1$$

there $\delta \omega \sim \beta |\psi_n|^2 \sim \beta / \Delta n$ is nonlinear frequency shift and $\Delta \omega \sim 1 / \Delta n$ is spacing between exites eigenmodes DLS PRL **70**, 1787 (1993) (*d* = 1); I.García-Mata, DLS arXiy:0805.0539 (2008) (*d* \geq 1)

Nonlinearity and Anderson localization (1D)



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A.S.Pikovsky, DLS PRL 100, 094101 (2008)

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Nonlinearity and Anderson localization (2D)



 $W = 10; \beta = 0$ (left), 1(right); $t = 10^4$ (bottom), 10⁶ (middle), projecton on *x*-axis (top); 256 × 256 lattice

[also: kicked nonlinear rotator model (1d)]

I.García-Mata, DLS arXiv:0805.0539 (2008)

Dynamical thermalization in DANSE (1D)

starting from Fermi-Pasta-Ulam problem (1955):

regular lattice, delocalized linear modes \rightarrow disorder localized modes



Gibbs distribution with temperature *T* for localized linear modes, $\rho_m = |C_m|^2$: entropy $S = -\sum_m \rho_m \ln \rho_m$, $\rho_m = Z^{-1} \exp(-\epsilon_m/T)$, $Z = \sum_m \exp(-\epsilon_m/T)$, $E = T^2 \partial \ln Z / \partial T$, $S = E/T + \ln Z$. $\langle \ln Z \rangle \approx \ln N + \ln \sinh(\Delta/T) - \ln(\Delta/T)$, $\Delta \approx 3$

M.Mulansky, K.Ahnert, A.Pikovsky, DLS arxiv:0903.2191 (2009)

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weaker and stronger nonlinearity β



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Possible experimental tests & applications

- BEC in disordered potential (Aspect, Inguscio)
- kicked rotator with BEC (Phillips)
- nonlinear wave propagation in disordered media (Segev, Silberberg)
- Iasing in random media (Cao)
- energy propagation in complex molecular chains (proteins, Fermi-Pasta-Ulam problem)
- NONLINEAR SPIN-GLASS ?
- OTHER GROUPS: S.Aubry *et al.* PRL **100**, 084103 (2008)
 A.Dhar *et al.* PRL **100**, 134301 (2008)
 S.Fishman *et al.* J. Stat. Phys. bf 131, 843 (2008)
 S.Flach *et al.* arXiv:0805.4693[cond-mat] (2008)
 W.-M.Wang *et al.* arXiv:0805.4632[math.DS] (2008)
 see also the participant list of the NLSE Workshop at the Lewiner Institute, Technion, June 2008

Quntum systems: Two Interacting Particles (TIP) effect

Anderson model in *d*-space + onsite Hubbard interaction *U*, $V \sim E_F$ is one-particle hopping; exited states $\psi_n \sim \exp(-|n - m|/I)/\sqrt{I}$; $I \gg 1$. Equation in the basis of noninteracting eigenstates $\chi_{m_1m_2}$:

$$i\partial\chi_{m_1m_2}/\partial t = \epsilon_{m_1m_2}\chi_{m_1m_2} + \sum_{m'_1m'_2} U_{m_1m_2m'_1m'_2}\chi_{m'_1m'_2}$$

Sum runs over $M \sim I^d$ coupled states; interaction induced matrix elements $U_s \sim U_{m_1m_2m'_1m'_2} \sim (U/(l^{2d}) \times \sqrt{M})$, density of coupled states is $\rho_2 \sim I^{2d}/V$, TIP transition rate $\Gamma_s \sim U_s^2 \rho_2 \sim U^2/(I^d V)$. Enhancement factor

$$\kappa = \Gamma_{s}
ho_{2} \sim (U/V)^{2} I^{d} > 1$$

TIP localization: $l_2/l \sim (U/V)^2 l$ (1d); $\ln(l_2/l) \sim (U/V)^2 l^2$ (2d); delocalization for $\kappa \sim (U/V)^2 l^3 > 1$ (3d)

DLS PRL 73, 2607 (1994); Y.Imry EPL 30, 405 (1995)

Slow Metal (2D)



FIG. 2 (color online). Resistivity as a function of inverse temperature 1/T at B = 0 T (symbols). At all densities, the strongly insulating T dependence at higher temperatures is followed by a decrease in resistance at low T. Device dimensions are $W \times L = 8 \ \mu m \times 0.5 \ \mu m$, spacer $\delta = 40 \ nm$. Electron densities are indicated by arrows in the inset to (a). Solid lines represent a fit of Eq. (1) to the data. Inset to (a): Resistivity as a function of electron density at $T = 60 \ m K$, 500 mK, 4 K. Inset to (d): ρ as function of 1/T at the same density as (d) but at $B_{\perp} = 1.5 \ T$.

TIP diffusion $D \sim \Gamma_s l^2 \sim U^2/V$ at $(Ul/V)^2 > 1$ vs. usual diffusion $D_0 \sim v_F \ell \sim V$ Thus it is possible to have diffusion with conductance g and resistivity per square ρ_0 (in natural units): $q \sim 1/
ho_0 \sim D/D_0 \sim (U/V)^2 \ll 1$ With up to $(UI/V)^2 \sim 1$ and $q \sim 1/l^2 \ll 1$ Problems: finite particle density, small density of states near the ground state Experiment suggestion: to measure a charge of quasi-particles from noise fluctuations

M.Baenninger, A.Ghosh, M.Pepper, H.E.Beere, I.Farrer, D.A.Ritchie PRL **100**, 016805 (2008) vs. S.Kravchenko *et al.* RMP **73**,251 (2001)

Dyn-thermalization in many-body Q-systems

Åberg criterion $J > J_c \approx \Delta_c \gg \Delta_n \propto \exp(-n)$: two-body matrix element J should be larger than energy spacing between directly coupled states Δ_c EXAMPLES

- Weakly interacting fermions: one-particle level spacing Δ , two-body interaction matrix element $J = U \sim \Delta/g$ with $g \gg 1$ (two-body random interaction model - TBRIM). Quantum chaos border for dynamical thermalization: $\delta E \sim Tn_{eff} \sim T^2/\Delta > g^{2/3}\Delta \gg \Delta \gg \Delta_n \sim \Delta/\exp(n_{eff})$
- Quantum computer with static imperfections: QC Hamiltonian:

 $H = \sum_{i} \Gamma_{i} \sigma_{i}^{z} + \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \sigma_{i}^{x} \sigma_{j}^{x};$

 $\Gamma_i = \overline{\Delta_0} + \delta_i, -\overline{\delta} < 2\delta_i < \delta$, middle band with $S_z = \sum_{n_q} \sigma_z = 0 - J < J_{ij} < J$; Quantum chaos border for dynamical thermalization:

 $\rightarrow J_c \approx 4\delta/n_q \gg \Delta_n \sim \delta/2^{n_q}$

• Above the border: Gibbs description of quantum ergodicity; Wigner-Dyson level spacing statistics

S.Åberg PRL **64**, 3119 (1990); DLS, O.Sushkov EPL **37**, 121 (1997); P.Jacquod, DLS PRL **79**, 1837 (1997); B.Georgeot, DLS PRE **62**, 3504 (2000)

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Example of dynamically thermalized eigenstate of quantum computer



Example: Quantum computer with $n_q = 24$ qubits. One quantum eigenstate: Occupation numbers n_i vs. rescaled exitation energies $\epsilon_i = \delta_i$. Left:

 $J/J_{C}\approx0.3, T=0.12\delta, \delta E=0.64\delta, S=1.84. \text{ Right: } J/J_{C}\approx2.4, T=0.19\delta, \delta E=1.16\delta, S=12.5. \text{ Full curves: Fermi-Dirac thermal}$

distribution with given temperature T. G.Benenti et al. EPJD 17, 265 (2001)

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 $\Gamma_{i} = \Delta_{0} + \delta_{i}, -\delta < 2\delta_{i} < \delta, -J < J_{ij} < J; \rightarrow J_{c} \approx 4\delta/n_{q}$

B.Georgeot, DLS PRE 62, 3504 (2000), DLS Physica Scripta T90, 112 (2001)