

ex03_solution

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Computational Quantum Physics - PHYS 463

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0.1 Solutions 03 - Quantum spin models

0.1.1 Problem 3.1 Exact diagonalization of the transverse field Ising Hamiltonian

```
[1]: import numpy as np
      from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
      from scipy.sparse import csr_array, identity, kron
      from scipy.sparse.linalg import eigsh
```

a) Start by defining a function to generate the operator

$$\hat{\sigma}_i^\alpha = \underbrace{\hat{I} \otimes \hat{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \hat{I}}_{i-1 \text{ times}} \otimes \hat{\sigma}^\alpha \otimes \underbrace{\hat{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \hat{I}}_{N-i \text{ times}}$$

```
[2]: # pauli matrices
      sx = csr_array([[0, 1], [1, 0]])
      sz = csr_array([[1, 0], [0, -1]])
```

```
[3]: def operator(pauli, i, N):
      left = identity(2**i)
      right = identity(2 ** (N - i - 1))
      mat = kron(kron(left, pauli), right)

      # Explicitly convert to CSR since kron likes to return COO
      mat = csr_array(mat)
      return mat
```

```
[4]: op = operator(sx, 0, 2)
      print(type(op))
```

```
<class 'scipy.sparse._csr.csr_array'>
```

b) Using sparse matrices for the pauli operators $\hat{\sigma}_i^\alpha$ defined above we write a function which constructs the transverse field ising hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{Ising}} = J \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_{i+1}^z - \Gamma \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\sigma}_i^x$$

```
[5]: def tfi_hamiltonian(N, J, gamma):
    H = 0
    for i in range(N):
        j = (i+1)%N
        H += J * operator(sx, i, N) @ operator(sx, j, N)
    for i in range(N):
        H -= gamma * operator(sy, i, N)
    return H
```

We can check that for 2 spins we get the matrix given on the exercise sheet:

```
[6]: n_spins = 2
J= 1
gamma = 0.1

print(tfi_hamiltonian(n_spins, J, gamma).todense())
```

```
[[ 2. -0.1 -0.1  0. ]
 [-0.1 -2.  0. -0.1]
 [-0.1  0. -2. -0.1]
 [ 0. -0.1 -0.1  2. ]]
```

c) Use scipy to diagonalize the hamiltonian

```
[7]: n_spins = 10

H = tfi_hamiltonian(n_spins, J, gamma)

# If we set `k=2`, the Lanczos algorithm may not really converge to the two
# ↪ smallest eigenvectors
# From my experience it's safe to set `k` to the double of what we need
E_ed = eigsh(H, k=4, which="SA", return_eigenvectors=False)
print(E_ed)
```

```
[ -6.38306387  -6.40332833 -10.02501566 -10.02501566]
```

Implement the power method

```
[8]: # lambda is a reserved keyword for lambda functions,
# so we can't give the variable like that name...
def power_method(H, n_spins, n_iters, lambd=1, u0=None):
    if u0 is None:
        # take a random vector as in initial guess
        # it might need to be complex
```

```

    u = np.random.normal(size=2**n_spins) + 0j
else:
    u = u0

# construct the propagator
I = csr_array(identity(2**n_spins))
prop = lambd * I - H

old = np.inf
energies = []
for i in range(n_iters):
    u = prop @ u

    # normalize the vector
    # this is necessary since the propagator is not unitary
    # and if we do a lot of iterations the floating point numbers in v ⬇
    ↪would grow
    # very quickly to the point where the exponent overflows
    # also it is convenient for computing the expectation value below
    u = u / np.linalg.norm(u)

    # compute the expectation value
    # For a CSR array `(v @ h) @ v` is slow, therefore we do it the other ⬇
    ↪way round
    e = u.T.conj() @ (H @ u)

    # stop early if the energy does not improve anymore
    if np.abs((old - e) / e) < 1e-15:
        break

    old = e
    energies.append(e)

return u, energies

```

For the TFI in 1D with periodic boundary conditions we can upper bound the largest eigenvalue E_M with

$$E_M \leq |J|N + |\Gamma|N$$

and so to satisfy $\Lambda > E_M$ we can choose

$$\Lambda = |J|N + |\Gamma|N$$

Note that it is also possible to derive a tighter condition for Λ than given in the lecture notes (see Becca & Sorella 2017, pp. 34), namely $\Lambda > \frac{E_0 + E_M}{2}$. This means that for the TFI with even N the power method should converge for any $\Lambda > 0$.

```
[9]: lambd = abs(J)*n_spins + abs(gamma)*n_spins

v, E_pwr = power_method(H, n_spins, n_iters=2000, lambd=lambd)
E_pwr[-1]
```

```
/var/folders/79/jcbbyf357tn_ctl5c6wsbn1h0000gp/T/ipykernel_92695/1040166075.py:3
2: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in scalar divide
   if np.abs((old - e) / e) < 1e-15:
```

```
[9]: (-10.025015664202867+0j)
```

and check that both find the same ground state energy

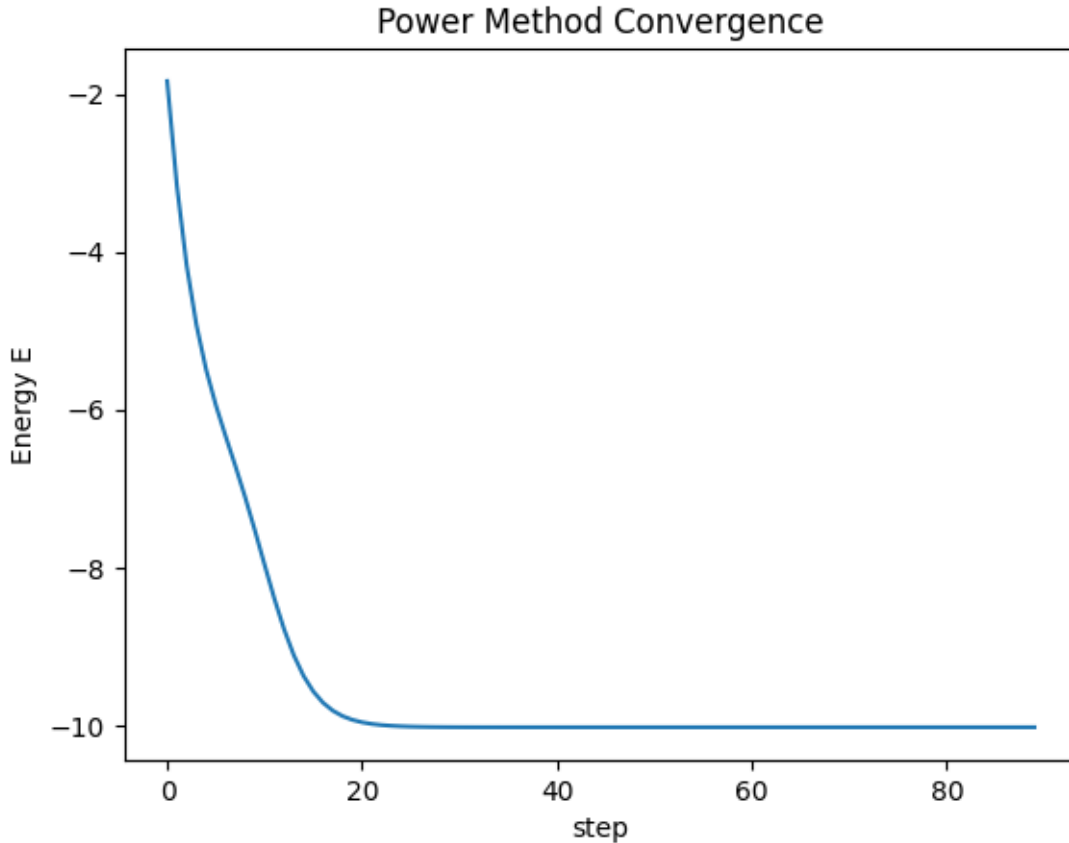
```
[10]: np.allclose(E_pwr[-1], E_ed[-1])
```

```
[10]: True
```

We see that the power method converges nicely already after a few steps

```
[11]: plt.figure()
plt.plot(E_pwr)
plt.ylabel("Energy E")
plt.xlabel("step")
plt.title('Power Method Convergence')
plt.show()
```

```
/Users/alessandrosinibaldi/Desktop/Coding/PhD/.venv/lib/python3.11/site-
packages/matplotlib/cbook.py:1762: ComplexWarning: Casting complex values to
real discards the imaginary part
   return math.isfinite(val)
/Users/alessandrosinibaldi/Desktop/Coding/PhD/.venv/lib/python3.11/site-
packages/matplotlib/cbook.py:1398: ComplexWarning: Casting complex values to
real discards the imaginary part
   return np.asarray(x, float)
```



d) Proceed by computing the ground state energy for different system sizes N and transverse field strengths Γ and studying the spin-spin correlator

$$C = \langle \psi_0 | \hat{\sigma}_0^z \hat{\sigma}_{N/2}^z | \psi_0 \rangle$$

```
[12]: Ns = [6, 8, 10, 12, 14]
      gs = np.linspace(0, 2, 21)

      corr = np.zeros((len(Ns), len(gs)))

      plt.figure()
      for i, N in enumerate(Ns):
          print(f"N={N}")
          for j, g in enumerate(gs):
              H = tfi_hamiltonian(N, J=1, gamma=g)
              v, e = power_method(H, N, 1000)
              corr[i, j] = v.T.conj() @ (operator(sz, 0, N) @ (operator(sz, N//2, N)
              ↪ @ v))
          plt.plot(gs, corr[i, :], label=f"N={N}")
      plt.ylabel("Correlator C")
```

```
plt.xlabel("$\Gamma$")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

N=6

```
/var/folders/79/jcbbyf357tn_ctl5c6wsbn1h0000gp/T/ipykernel_92695/1040166075.py:3
```

```
2: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in scalar divide
```

```
if np.abs((old - e) / e) < 1e-15:
```

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/var/folders/79/jcbbyf357tn_ctl5c6wsbn1h0000gp/T/ipykernel_92695/2552400123.py:1
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2: ComplexWarning: Casting complex values to real discards the imaginary part
```

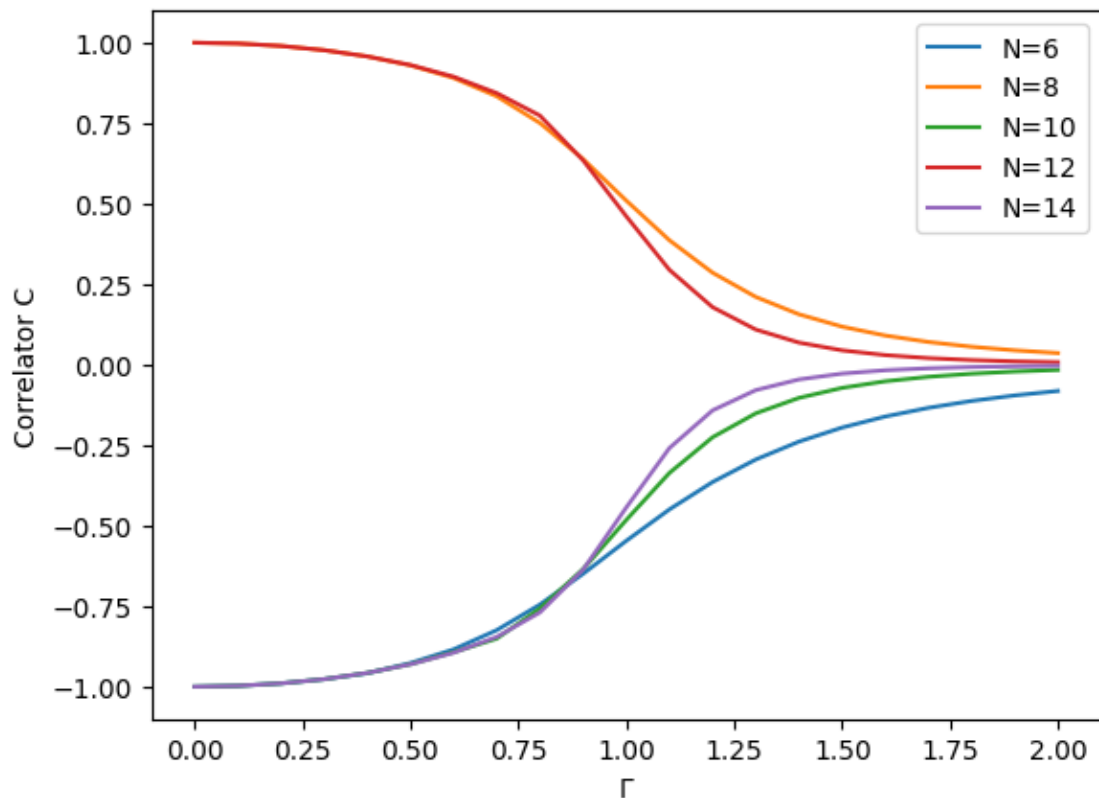
```
corr[i, j] = v.T.conj() @ (operator(sz, 0, N) @ (operator(sz, N//2, N) @ v))
```

N=8

N=10

N=12

N=14



e) Compute the the ground state as well as first excited state energy using ED and plot both

```
[13]: Ns = [6, 8, 10, 12, 14]
      gs = np.linspace(0, 2, 21)
```

```

k = 4 # how many eigenvalues to compute

energies = np.zeros((len(Ns), len(gs), k))

for i, N in enumerate(Ns):
    for j, g in enumerate(gs):
        H = tfi_hamiltonian(N, J=1, gamma=g)
        # we sort the energies in increasing order,
        # so that energies[:, :, 0] is the ground state energy
        energies[i, j, :] = np.sort(eigsh(H, k=k, which="SA",
        ↪return_eigenvectors=False))

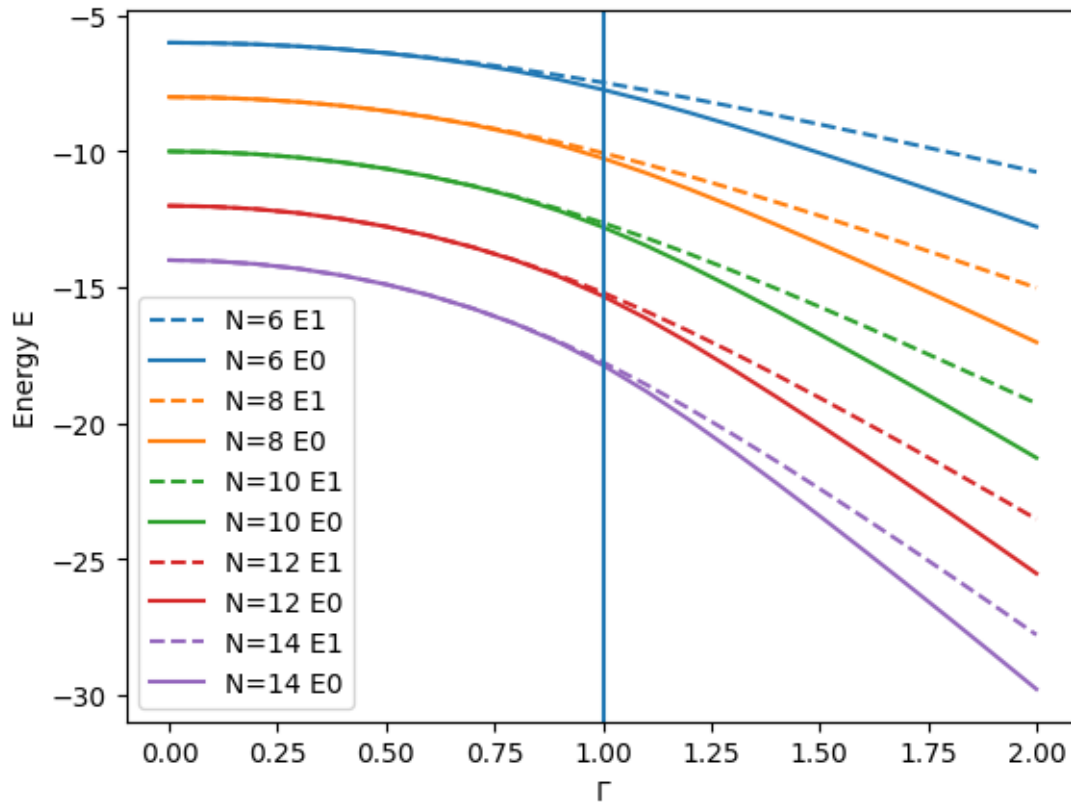
```

```

[14]: plt.figure()
for i, N in enumerate(Ns):
    plt.plot(gs, energies[i, :, 1], label=f"N={N} E1", color=f"C{i}",
    ↪linestyle="--")
    plt.plot(gs, energies[i, :, 0], label=f"N={N} E0", color=f"C{i}")

plt.axvline((1.0))
plt.ylabel("Energy E")
plt.xlabel("$\Gamma$")
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```



and plot the gap at the critical point $\Gamma/J = 1$ and extrapolate to $N \rightarrow \infty$ (thermodynamic limit)

```
[15]: i = len(gs)//2
print(f'Γ = {gs[i]}')
gap = energies[:, i, 1] - energies[:, i, 0]

Ninv = 1 / np.array(Ns)
# fit
a = np.polyfit(np.log(Ninv), np.log(gap), 1)
f = lambda x: np.exp(a[0]*np.log(x)+a[1])

print(f'slope: {a[0]:0.5f}')
print(f"Energy gap at 1/N -> 0: {f(1/np.inf):0.5f}")

plt.figure()
plt.scatter(Ninv, gap)
x = np.linspace(0.05, 0.2, 100)
plt.plot(x, f(x))
plt.xscale('log')
plt.yscale('log')
```

```
plt.xlabel('1/N')
plt.ylabel('$E_1-E_0$')
plt.show()
```

$\Gamma = 1.0$

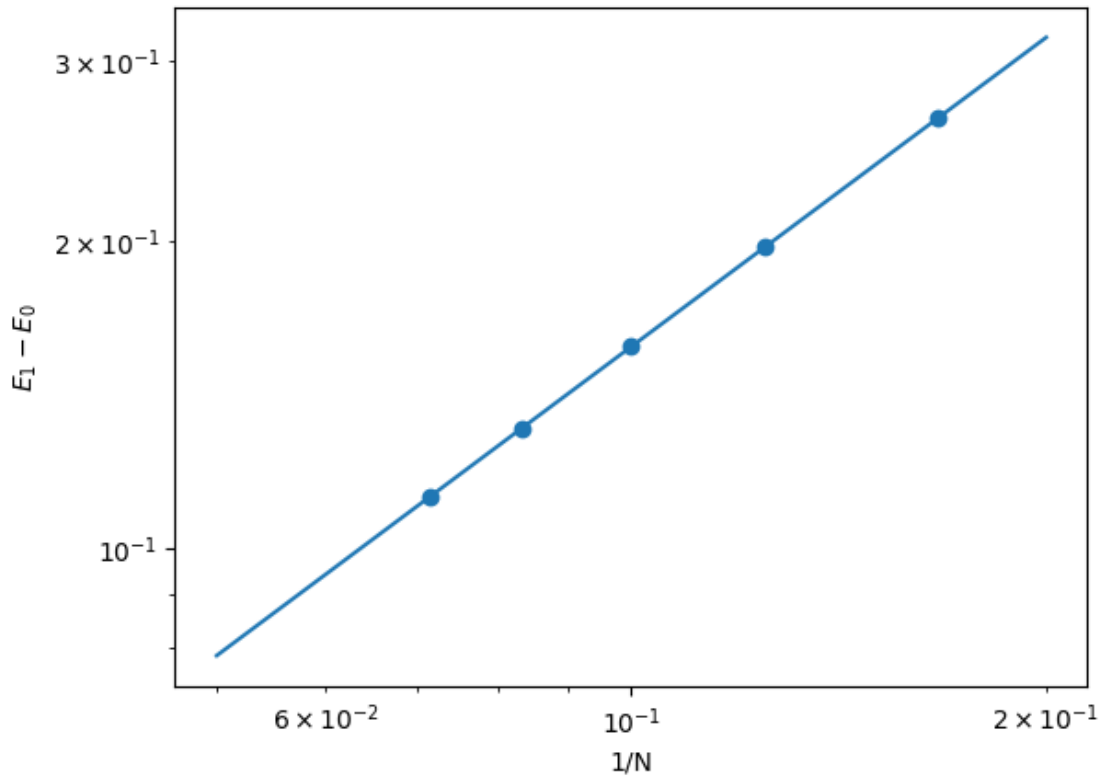
slope: 1.00548

Energy gap at $1/N \rightarrow 0$: 0.00000

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: RuntimeWarning: divide by zero encountered in log

```
f = lambda x: np.exp(a[0]*np.log(x)+a[1])
```



0.1.2 Problem 3.2 Time evolution of the transverse field Ising chain

```
[16]: import numpy as np
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from scipy.sparse import csr_array, identity, kron
from functools import lru_cache
```

a) We define the time evolution operator for the transverse field part

$$\exp(-i\delta\hat{\sigma}_i^x)$$

```
[17]: @lru_cache # helps save computation time
def exp_x(N, i, delta):

    I = identity(2**N)
    Xi = operator(sx, i, N)

    mat = np.cos(delta) * I - 1j * np.sin(delta) * Xi
    ##else
    # TODO mat = ...
    mat = csr_array(mat)
    return mat
```

b) as well as the Time evolution operator for the diagonal part

$$\exp(-i\delta\hat{\sigma}_i^z\sigma_{i+1}^z)$$

```
[18]: @lru_cache
def exp_zz(N, i, delta):

    Zi = operator(sz, i, N)
    # here we write the code for pbc,
    # for obc we assume i only goes to N-2
    Zi_p_1 = operator(sz, (i+1)%N, N)
    I = identity(2**N)

    mat = np.cos(delta) * I - 1j * np.sin(delta) * Zi@Zi_p_1
    mat = csr_array(mat)
    return mat
```

c) Putting everything together define a function which performs the time evolution

$$\exp(-i\Delta_t\hat{H}) \approx \exp(-i\frac{\Delta_t}{2}J\hat{H}_{ZZ}) \exp(-i\Delta_t\Gamma\hat{H}_X) \exp(-i\frac{\Delta_t}{2}J\hat{H}_{ZZ}) + O(\Delta_t^3)$$

```
[19]: def time_evol(psi, t, dt, J, gamma):
    n_steps = round(t / dt)

    for i in range(N-1): # N-1 because we assume obc
        psi = exp_zz(N, i, J*dt/2) @ psi

    for i in range(N):
        psi = exp_x(N, i, gamma*dt) @ psi

    for step in range(n_steps):

        for i in range(N-1):
            # here we fuse the two exp_Hzz(N, i, dt/2) of two
```

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        # consecutive steps into one exp_Hzz(N, i, dt)
        psi = exp_zz(N, i, J*dt) @ psi

    for i in range(N):
        psi = exp_x(N, i, gamma*dt) @ psi

    for i in range(N-1):
        psi = exp_zz(N, i, J*dt/2) @ psi
    return psi

```

d) Study the time evolution of a small system of size 10

[20]: `N = 10`

To measure the Magnetisation of each site define the operator $\langle \sigma_i^z \rangle$

[21]: `@lru_cache # to save computation time`

```

def Hz(N, i):
    mat = operator(spin, i, N)
    mat = csr_array(mat)
    return mat

```

Starting with an initial state with all-down configuration

$$|\Psi\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle \otimes |\downarrow\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\rangle$$

[22]: `# `psi` can be dense, and we can store `psi` as a 1D vector rather than a 2D`

```

    #matrix

    spin_up = np.array([1, 0])
    spin_down = np.array([0, 1])

    psi = 1
    for i in range(N):
        psi = np.kron(psi, spin_down)

```

run the time evolution for $J=0$, $\Gamma = 1$

[23]:

```

J = 0
gamma = 1

dt = 1e-1
t = 10
n_points = 100
ts = np.linspace(0, t, n_points+1)

# we run the time evolution up to t=10
# with a timestep of dt=1e-2,
# measuring the observables every t/100 = 0.1

```

```

psi_t = psi.copy()

def measure(psi, observables):
    return [(psi.conj().T @ O) @ psi for O in observables]

observables = [Hz(N, i) for i in range(N)]
magnetization = []
###Ifdef SOLUTION
magnetization.append(measure(psi, observables))
for i in range(1, n_points+1):
    psi_t = time_evol(psi_t, t/n_points, dt, J, gamma)
    magnetization.append(measure(psi_t, observables))

```

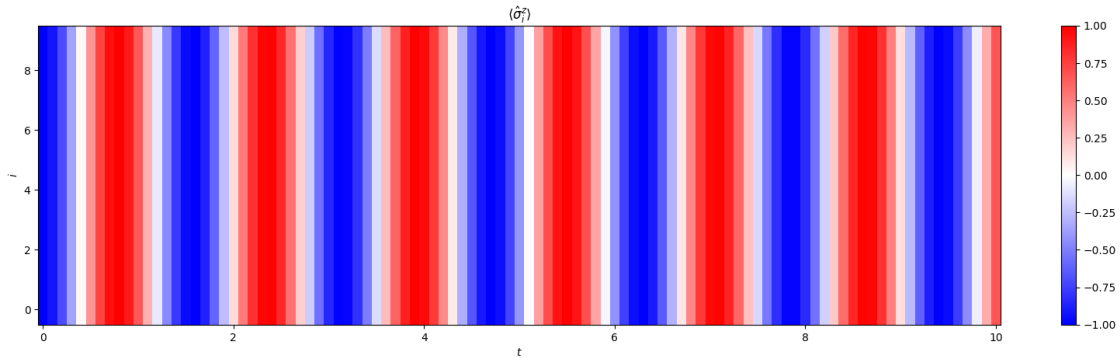
e) and plot the magnetization $\langle \sigma_i^z \rangle$ over time for each site i

```
[24]: magnetization = np.array(magnetization).real.T
```

```

[25]: plt.figure(figsize=(20, 5))
plt.pcolormesh(ts, range(N), magnetization, cmap="bwr", vmin=-1, vmax=1,
    shading="nearest")
plt.xlabel("$t$")
plt.ylabel("$i$")
plt.title("$\langle \hat{\sigma}_i^z \rangle$")
plt.colorbar()
plt.show()

```



f) Do the same as in e) but for an initial state with all spins down except one spin up

$$|\Psi\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\uparrow\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\rangle$$

and $J=1, \Gamma = 0.4$

```

[26]: # Initial state
psi = 1
for i in range((N - 1) // 2):
    psi = np.kron(psi, spin_down)
psi = np.kron(psi, spin_up)
for i in range(N // 2):
    psi = np.kron(psi, spin_down)

[ ]: # Time evolution
J = 1
gamma = 0.4

# this time we run for longer time
dt = 1e-2
t = 10
n_points = 1000
ts = np.linspace(0, t, n_points+1)

psi_t = psi.copy()

def measure(psi, observables):
    return [((psi.conj().T @ O) @ psi) for O in observables]

observables = [Hz(N, i) for i in range(N)]
magnetization = []
###Ifdef SOLUTION
magnetization.append(measure(psi, observables))
for i in range(1, n_points+1):
    psi_t = time_evol(psi_t, t/n_points, dt, J, gamma)
    magnetization.append(measure(psi_t, observables))

[28]: magnetization = np.array(magnetization).real.T

[29]: plt.figure(figsize=(20, 5))
plt.pcolormesh(ts, range(N), magnetization, cmap="bwr", vmin=-1, vmax=1,
    shading="nearest")
plt.xlabel("$t$")
plt.ylabel("$i$")
plt.title("$\langle \hat{\sigma}_z^i \rangle$")
plt.colorbar()
plt.show()

```

