

# Supplemental Materials: Binary-coupling sparse SYK model

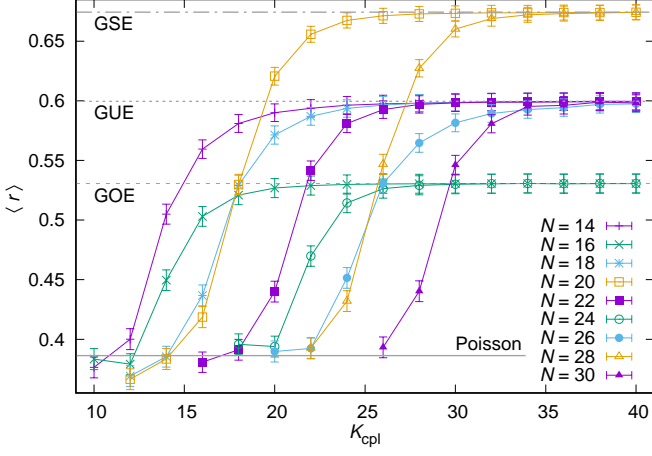


FIG. S1. The average of neighboring gap ratio between non-degenerate eigenvalues for unary sparse samples with least degeneracy, plotted against the number of nonzero couplings. “GSE”, “GUE”, “GOE”, and “Poisson” indicate the values in Ref. [46].

## S1. UNARY-COUPLING SPARSE SYK MODEL

As we have stated in Sec. II of the main text, the unary-coupling sparse SYK model (i.e., all nonzero couplings are +1) behaves similarly to the binary-coupling model as long as  $1 \ll K_{\text{cpl}} \ll N_{\text{total}}$ . Below, we will show basic results regarding the unary-coupling model.

In the binary-coupling sparse SYK model, there were two sources of randomness: (i) which coupling is nonzero, and (ii) whether each nonzero coupling is +1 or -1. In the unary-coupling model, the only source of randomness is (i). Therefore, if  $K_{\text{cpl}}$  is too small or too large, it is far less effective than the binary-coupling model. Specifically, when  $K_{\text{cpl}} = N_{\text{total}}$ , there is no randomness at all.

The anti-commuting relation between Majorana fermions (2) means that reordering the Majorana fermions  $(\chi_1, \chi_2, \dots, \chi_N) \mapsto (\chi_{\sigma(1)}, \chi_{\sigma(2)}, \dots, \chi_{\sigma(N)})$ , where  $\sigma$  is a non-unit element of the symmetry group  $S_N$ , can flip some of the signs of the interaction. For  $1 \ll K_{\text{cpl}} \ll N_{\text{total}}$ , for a typical choice of the nonzero terms, it would be possible to perform the reordering to the binary-coupling model and make most of the signs to be positive, then we do not expect a big difference between ensembles of the binary-coupling and unary-coupling model realizations.

In Fig. S1, we plot the average of neighboring gap ratio between non-degenerate eigenvalues for the unary-coupling sparse SYK model. The observed values are nearly identical to those for the binary-coupling model in Fig. 2 in the main text. In Fig. S2, we plot the spec-

tral form factor for the unary-coupling model. Again, the results exhibit little difference from the binary-coupling model in Fig. 3 in the main text. Note that changing all nonzero  $J_{abcd}$  for a particular realization of the binary-coupling model results in a significant change of its spectrum. The observed agreement between the two models is between their ensembles after the averaging.

## S2. EXAMPLE OF SINGLE REALIZATIONS FOR $N = 32, 34$

In Fig. S3, we show the distributions for the unfolded nearest-neighbor level separation  $P(s)$  and neighboring gap ratio  $P(r)$  for single realizations of the binary-coupling sparse SYK model for  $(N, K_{\text{cpl}}) = (32, 30), (34, 36)$ . The Hamiltonian we used are

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H} = & \chi_1 \chi_2 \chi_3 \chi_4 - \chi_1 \chi_6 \chi_{10} \chi_{21} - \chi_1 \chi_8 \chi_{23} \chi_{24} \\
 & - \chi_1 \chi_{11} \chi_{27} \chi_{28} + \chi_1 \chi_{22} \chi_{26} \chi_{27} + \chi_2 \chi_5 \chi_{10} \chi_{23} \\
 & + \chi_2 \chi_{15} \chi_{25} \chi_{30} + \chi_3 \chi_5 \chi_{10} \chi_{32} - \chi_3 \chi_5 \chi_{24} \chi_{31} \\
 & + \chi_3 \chi_{20} \chi_{24} \chi_{26} + \chi_4 \chi_8 \chi_{18} \chi_{23} - \chi_5 \chi_{10} \chi_{23} \chi_{30} \\
 & + \chi_5 \chi_{19} \chi_{23} \chi_{30} - \chi_5 \chi_{25} \chi_{29} \chi_{32} - \chi_6 \chi_7 \chi_{20} \chi_{23} \\
 & + \chi_7 \chi_9 \chi_{12} \chi_{15} + \chi_7 \chi_{10} \chi_{12} \chi_{18} - \chi_7 \chi_{21} \chi_{23} \chi_{27} \\
 & - \chi_7 \chi_{24} \chi_{28} \chi_{31} + \chi_8 \chi_9 \chi_{15} \chi_{32} - \chi_9 \chi_{15} \chi_{25} \chi_{30} \\
 & + \chi_9 \chi_{19} \chi_{21} \chi_{27} + \chi_{10} \chi_{11} \chi_{19} \chi_{32} + \chi_{10} \chi_{12} \chi_{14} \chi_{16} \\
 & - \chi_{11} \chi_{17} \chi_{25} \chi_{28} - \chi_{12} \chi_{14} \chi_{20} \chi_{24} - \chi_{12} \chi_{19} \chi_{31} \chi_{32} \\
 & + \chi_{12} \chi_{23} \chi_{24} \chi_{30} - \chi_{13} \chi_{17} \chi_{21} \chi_{27} - \chi_{22} \chi_{23} \chi_{26} \chi_{31}, \tag{S1}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $N = 32$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H} = & \chi_1 \chi_6 \chi_{20} \chi_{28} + \chi_1 \chi_7 \chi_{22} \chi_{24} - \chi_1 \chi_{10} \chi_{15} \chi_{25} \\
 & - \chi_1 \chi_{15} \chi_{19} \chi_{31} - \chi_1 \chi_{15} \chi_{21} \chi_{26} - \chi_2 \chi_3 \chi_{17} \chi_{23} \\
 & + \chi_2 \chi_{19} \chi_{23} \chi_{24} + \chi_3 \chi_5 \chi_6 \chi_{16} + \chi_3 \chi_{14} \chi_{17} \chi_{22} \\
 & + \chi_3 \chi_{15} \chi_{20} \chi_{25} + \chi_3 \chi_{21} \chi_{28} \chi_{34} + \chi_3 \chi_{23} \chi_{32} \chi_{33} \\
 & + \chi_4 \chi_5 \chi_6 \chi_{30} - \chi_4 \chi_9 \chi_{15} \chi_{29} - \chi_4 \chi_9 \chi_{30} \chi_{32} \\
 & + \chi_4 \chi_{22} \chi_{27} \chi_{30} - \chi_4 \chi_{23} \chi_{26} \chi_{34} + \chi_5 \chi_8 \chi_{14} \chi_{31} \\
 & - \chi_5 \chi_{10} \chi_{15} \chi_{18} - \chi_6 \chi_7 \chi_{18} \chi_{30} + \chi_6 \chi_{13} \chi_{30} \chi_{32} \\
 & - \chi_6 \chi_{14} \chi_{20} \chi_{25} - \chi_6 \chi_{15} \chi_{23} \chi_{32} - \chi_6 \chi_{18} \chi_{32} \chi_{34} \\
 & + \chi_6 \chi_{21} \chi_{31} \chi_{32} - \chi_7 \chi_{24} \chi_{28} \chi_{30} + \chi_8 \chi_{13} \chi_{14} \chi_{19} \\
 & + \chi_9 \chi_{11} \chi_{25} \chi_{29} - \chi_{10} \chi_{13} \chi_{21} \chi_{34} + \chi_{11} \chi_{12} \chi_{29} \chi_{33} \\
 & + \chi_{11} \chi_{22} \chi_{28} \chi_{30} - \chi_{13} \chi_{21} \chi_{23} \chi_{25} + \chi_{15} \chi_{18} \chi_{27} \chi_{28} \\
 & - \chi_{16} \chi_{25} \chi_{27} \chi_{28} - \chi_{17} \chi_{19} \chi_{24} \chi_{28} - \chi_{19} \chi_{25} \chi_{31} \chi_{33}, \tag{S2}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $N = 34$ . The results agree well with those for the GOE and GUE random matrices [46, 56], respectively.

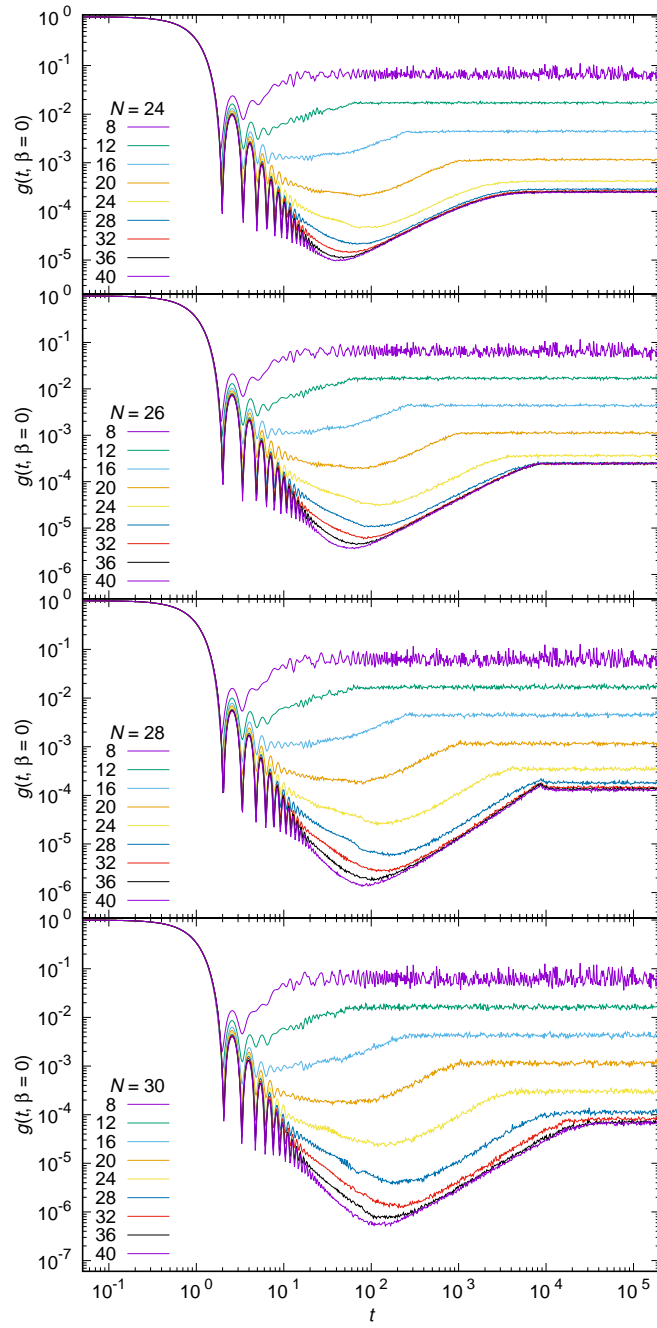


FIG. S2. The spectral form factor  $g(t, \beta = 0)$  versus time  $t$  for the unary-coupling sparse SYK model. The value of  $N$  as well as the number of nonzero couplings,  $K_{\text{cpl}}$ , are indicated in the legend for each plot.

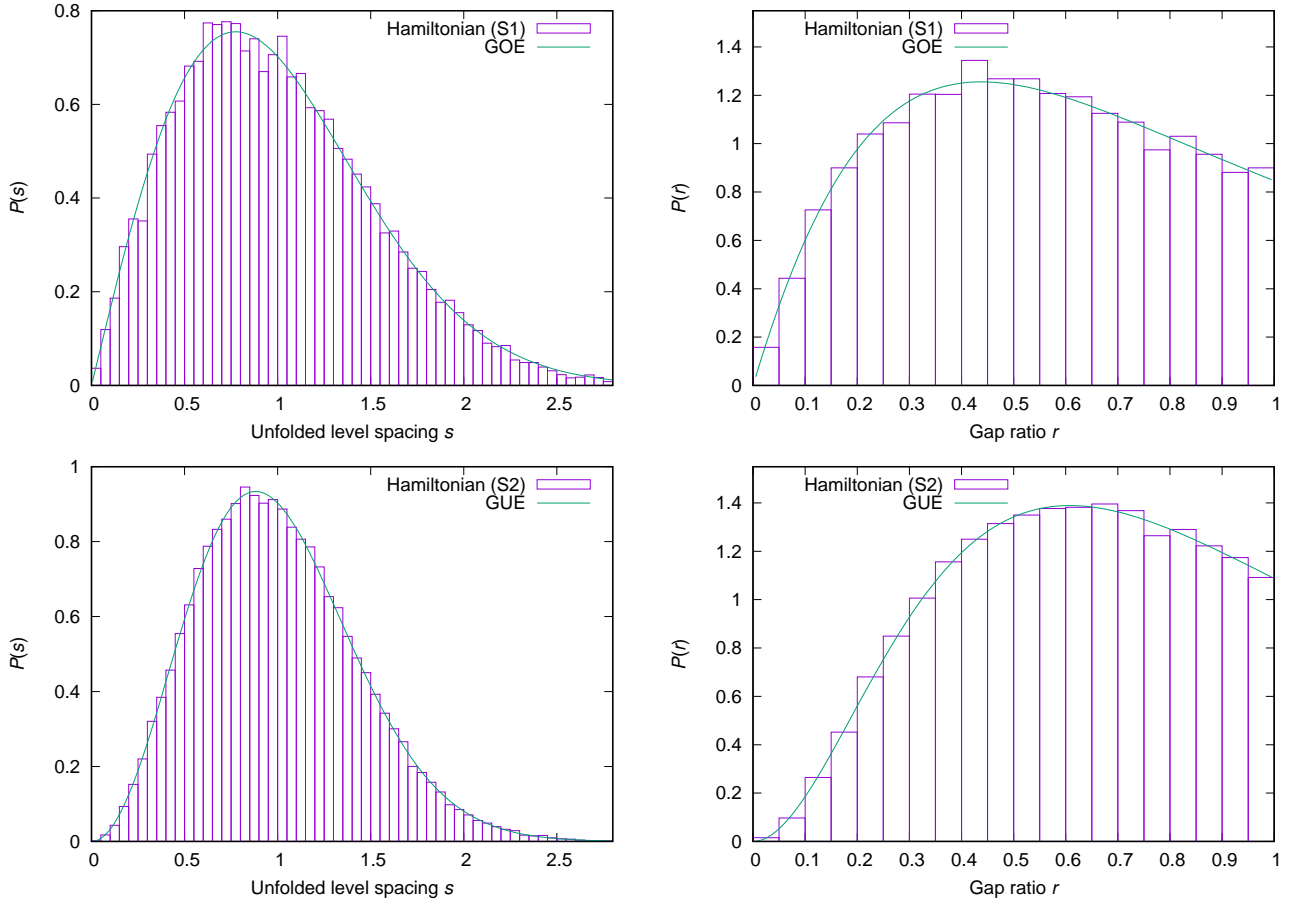


FIG. S3. The distribution of the nearest-neighbor level spacing  $P(s)$  and that of the neighboring gap ratio  $P(r)$  for the eigenvalues of the single realization of the binary sparse SYK model. [Top]  $N = 32$  and  $K_{\text{cpl}} = 30$  with the specific realization given by eq. (S1), [Bottom]  $N = 34$  and  $K_{\text{cpl}} = 36$  with the specific realization given by eq. (S2). For  $P(s)$ , we omit the largest 5% and smallest 5% of the eigenvalues from the analysis to prevent the eigenvalues near the edges from affecting the polynomial fit of the spectrum. We use tenth-order polynomial fitting for unfolding the spectrum.