

**Spin-squeezing inequalities
for entanglement detection in cold gases
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Why spin squeezing inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ is important?

- Many experiments are aiming to create entangled states with **many atoms**.
- Only collective quantities can be measured.
- Most experiments use atoms with $j > \frac{1}{2}$.

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Physical systems

State-of-the-art in experiments

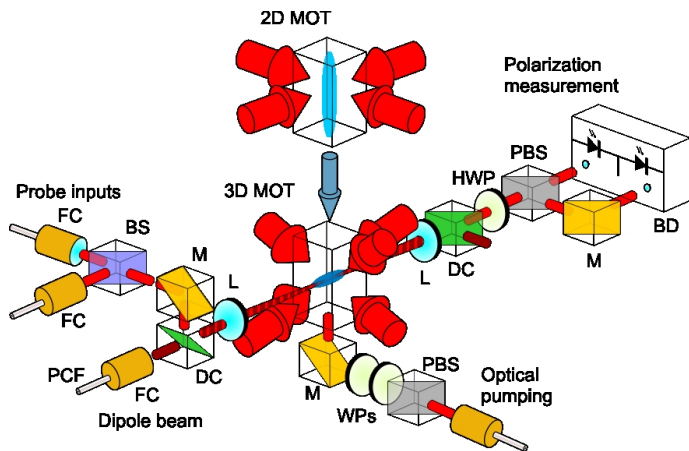
- 100,000 atoms realizing an array of 1D Ising spin chains (Nature, 2003)
- Spin squeezing with $10^6 - 10^{12}$ atoms (Nature, 2001)

Main challenge

- The particles cannot be addressed individually.
- Only collective quantities can be measured.
- New type of entangled states and entanglement criteria are needed.

Physical systems II

For example: Spin squeezing in a cold atomic ensemble



Picture from M.W. Mitchell, ICFO, Barcelona.

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Entanglement

Definition

A multiparticle state is **(fully) separable** if it can be written as

$$\sum_k p_k \varrho_1^{(k)} \otimes \varrho_2^{(k)} \otimes \dots \otimes \varrho_N^{(k)}.$$

If a state is not fully separable, then it is called **entangled**.

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Many-particle systems for $j=1/2$

- For spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles, we can measure the **collective angular momentum operators**:

$$J_l := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N \sigma_l^{(k)},$$

where $l = x, y, z$ and $\sigma_l^{(k)}$ a Pauli spin matrices.

- We can also measure the **variances**

$$(\Delta J_l)^2 := \langle J_l^2 \rangle - \langle J_l \rangle^2.$$

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The standard spin-squeezing criterion

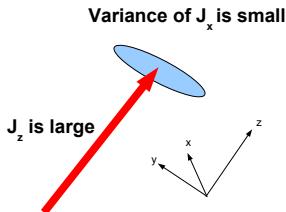
- The **spin squeezing criteria for entanglement detection** is

$$\frac{(\Delta J_x)^2}{\langle J_y \rangle^2 + \langle J_z \rangle^2} \geq \frac{1}{N}.$$

- If it is violated then the state is entangled.

[A. Sørensen, L.M. Duan, J.I. Cirac, P. Zoller, Nature 409, 63 (2001).]

- States violating it are like this:



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Generalized spin squeezing criteria for $j = \frac{1}{2}$

- Let us assume that for a system we know only

$$\vec{J} := (\langle J_x \rangle, \langle J_y \rangle, \langle J_z \rangle),$$

$$\vec{K} := (\langle J_x^2 \rangle, \langle J_y^2 \rangle, \langle J_z^2 \rangle).$$

- Then any state violating the following inequalities is **entangled**.

$$\langle J_x^2 \rangle + \langle J_y^2 \rangle + \langle J_z^2 \rangle \leq \frac{N(N+2)}{4},$$

$$(\Delta J_x)^2 + (\Delta J_y)^2 + (\Delta J_z)^2 \geq \frac{N}{2},$$

$$\langle J_k^2 \rangle + \langle J_l^2 \rangle \leq (N-1)(\Delta J_m)^2 + \frac{N}{2},$$

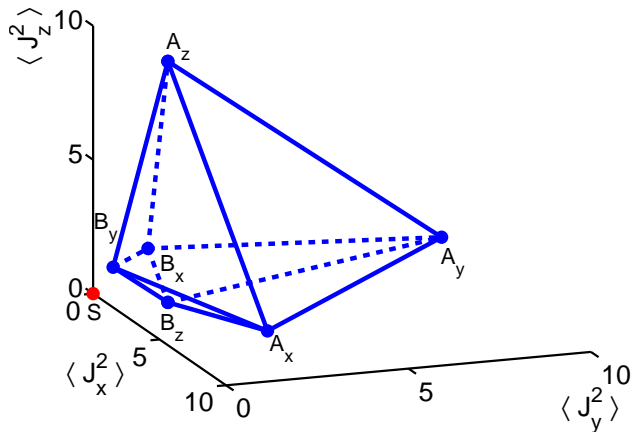
$$(N-1) \left[(\Delta J_k)^2 + (\Delta J_l)^2 \right] \geq \langle J_m^2 \rangle + \frac{N(N-2)}{4},$$

where k, l, m take all the possible permutations of x, y, z .

[GT, C. Knapp, O. Gühne, and H.J. Briegel, PRL 99, 250405 (2007)]

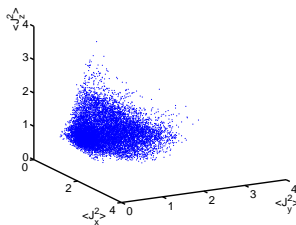
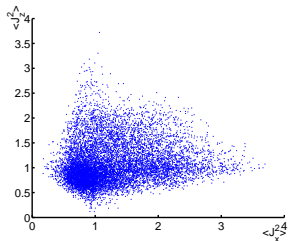
Generalized spin squeezing criteria for $j = \frac{1}{2}$

- The previous inequalities, for fixed $\langle J_{x/y/z} \rangle$, describe a polytope in the $\langle J_{x/y/z}^2 \rangle$ space.
- For $\langle \vec{J} \rangle = 0$ and $N = 6$ the polytope is the following:



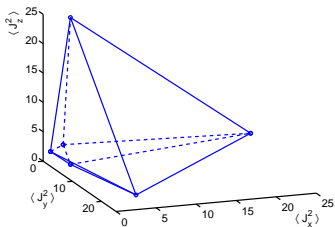
Completeness

- Random separable states:

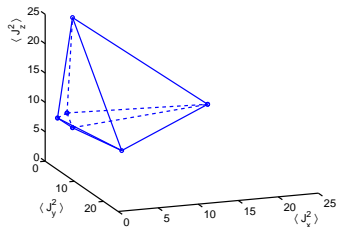


- The **completeness** can be proved for large N .

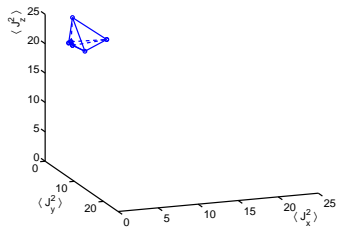
The polytope for $N = 10$ and
 $J = (0, 0, 0)$,



$J = (0, 0, 2.5)$,



and $J = (0, 0, 4.5)$.



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“Modified” quantities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$

- For the $j = \frac{1}{2}$ case, the SSIs were developed based on the first and second moments and variances of the such collective operators.
- For the $j > \frac{1}{2}$ case, we define the **modified second moment**

$$\langle \tilde{J}_k^2 \rangle := \langle J_k^2 \rangle - \langle \sum_n (j_k^{(n)})^2 \rangle = \sum_{m \neq n} \langle j_k^{(n)} j_k^{(m)} \rangle$$

and the **modified variance**

$$(\tilde{\Delta} J_k)^2 := (\Delta J_k)^2 - \langle \sum_n (j_k^{(n)})^2 \rangle.$$

- These are essential to get tight equations for $j > \frac{1}{2}$.

The inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ with the angular momentum coordinates

- For fully separable states of spin- j particles, all the following inequalities are fulfilled

$$\begin{aligned}\langle J_x^2 \rangle + \langle J_y^2 \rangle + \langle J_z^2 \rangle &\leq Nj(Nj + 1), \\ (\Delta J_x)^2 + (\Delta J_y)^2 + (\Delta J_z)^2 &\geq Nj, \\ \langle \tilde{J}_k^2 \rangle + \langle \tilde{J}_l^2 \rangle - N(N-1)j^2 &\leq (N-1)(\tilde{\Delta} J_m)^2, \\ (N-1) [(\tilde{\Delta} J_k)^2 + (\tilde{\Delta} J_l)^2] &\geq \langle \tilde{J}_m^2 \rangle - N(N-1)j^2,\end{aligned}$$

where k, l, m take all possible permutations of x, y, z .

- Violation of any of the inequalities implies entanglement.

Completeness

- In the large N limit, the inequalities with the angular momentum are **complete**.
- It is not possible to find new entanglement conditions based on $\langle J_k \rangle$ and $\langle \tilde{J}_k^2 \rangle$ that detect more states.

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The usual spin squeezing inequality for $j > \frac{1}{2}$

- The standard spin-squeezing inequality becomes

$$\frac{(\Delta J_x)^2}{\langle J_y \rangle^2 + \langle J_z \rangle^2} + \frac{\sum_n (j^2 - \langle (j_x^{(n)})^2 \rangle)}{\langle J_y \rangle^2 + \langle J_z \rangle^2} \geq \frac{1}{N}.$$

Violated only if there is entanglement between the spin- j particles.

- The second term on the LHS is nonnegative.

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The inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ with the G_k 's

- Collective operators:

$$G_l := \sum_{k=1}^N g_l^{(k)},$$

where $l = 1, 2, \dots, d^2 - 1$ and $g_l^{(k)}$ are the SU(d) generators.

- We can also measure the

$$(\Delta G_l)^2 := \langle G_l^2 \rangle - \langle G_l \rangle^2$$

variances.

The inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ with the G_k 's

- The SSIs for G_k have the general form

$$(N-1) \sum_{k \in I} (\tilde{\Delta} G_k)^2 - \sum_{k \notin I} \langle (\tilde{G}_k)^2 \rangle \geq -2N(N-1) \frac{(d-1)}{d}.$$

- For instance, for the $d = 3$ case, the $SU(d)$ generators can be the eight Gell-Mann matrices.
- I is a subset of indices between 1 and M . We have 2^M equations!

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An example: The criterion for SU(d) singlets

A condition for two-producibility (i.e., higher form of entanglement) for N qudits of dimension d is

$$\sum_k (\Delta G_k)^2 \geq 2N(d-2).$$

A condition for separability is

$$\sum_k (\Delta G_k)^2 \geq 2N(d-1).$$

[G. Vitagliano, P. Hyllus, I.L. Egusquiza, and G. Tóth,
Spin squeezing inequalities for arbitrary spin, PRL 2011.]

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- Topics

- Multipartite entanglement and its detection
- Metrology, cold gases
- Collaborating on experiments:
 - Weinfurter group, Munich, (photons)
 - Mitchell group, Barcelona, (cold gases)

- Funding:

- European Research Council starting grant 2011-2016, 1.3 million euros
- CHIST-ERA QUASAR collaborative EU project
- Grants of the Spanish Government and the Basque Government

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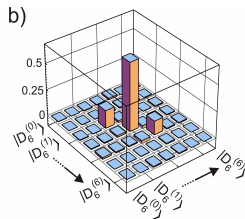
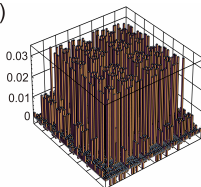
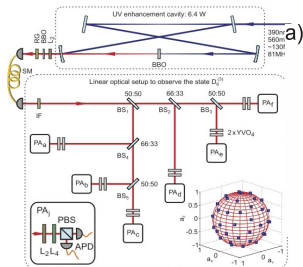
- G. Vitagliano, Spin squeezing and entanglement for arbitrary spin (more details)
- I. Urizar-Lanz, Differential magnetometry using singlets
- I. Apellaniz, Accuracy Bounds for Gradient Metrology in Atomic Ensembles

Links to a QIPC Talk

H. Weinfurter, Tuesday 11:30-12:15, Analyzing multi-qubit quantum states – Permutationally Invariant Tomography.

Permutationally invariant tomography

- Full state tomography is not feasible even for modest size systems.
- PI tomography is a scalable alternative (PRL 2010).
- We developed a scalable method for fitting a physical density matrix on the measured data (before: bottle neck of state reconstruction)



Ongoing experiment at the Max Planck Institute for Quantum Optics, München.

G. Tóth *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **105**, 250403 (2010);

T. Moroder *et al.*, New J. Phys **14**, 105001 (2012).

Summary

- Full set of generalized spin squeezing inequalities with J_l with $l = x, y, z$ for $j > \frac{1}{2}$.
- Large set of inequalities with the other collective operators.
- These might make possible new experiments and make existing experiments simpler.

See: G. Vitagliano, P. Hyllus, I.L. Egusquiza, and G. Tóth, Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 240502 (2011) + manuscript in preparation.

See www.gtoth.eu for the slides

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