

Witnessing metrologically useful multiparticle entanglement

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Why multipartite entanglement and metrology are important?

- Full tomography is not possible, we still have to say something meaningful.
- Claiming “entanglement” is not sufficient for many particles.
- We should tell
 - How entangled the state is
 - What the state is good for, etc.

1 Introduction and motivation

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- The quantum Fisher information

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Basic notions

- Collective angular momentum operators:

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

where $l = x, y, z$, $\sigma_l^{(k)}$ are Pauli spin matrices, and N is the number of spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles.

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

$$\sum_k p_k \varrho_k^{(1)} \otimes \varrho_k^{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes \varrho_k^{(N)}.$$

If a state is not separable then it is entangled (Werner, 1989).

- Similar definitions for multipartite entanglement.

k -producibility/ k -entanglement

A pure state is k -producible if it can be written as

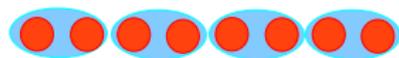
$$|\Phi\rangle = |\Phi_1\rangle \otimes |\Phi_2\rangle \otimes |\Phi_3\rangle \otimes |\Phi_4\rangle \dots$$

where $|\Phi_j\rangle$ are states of at most k qubits.

A mixed state is k -producible, if it is a mixture of k -producible pure states.

[e.g., O. Gühne and GT, New J. Phys 2005.]

- If a state is not k -producible, then it is at least $(k + 1)$ -particle entangled.



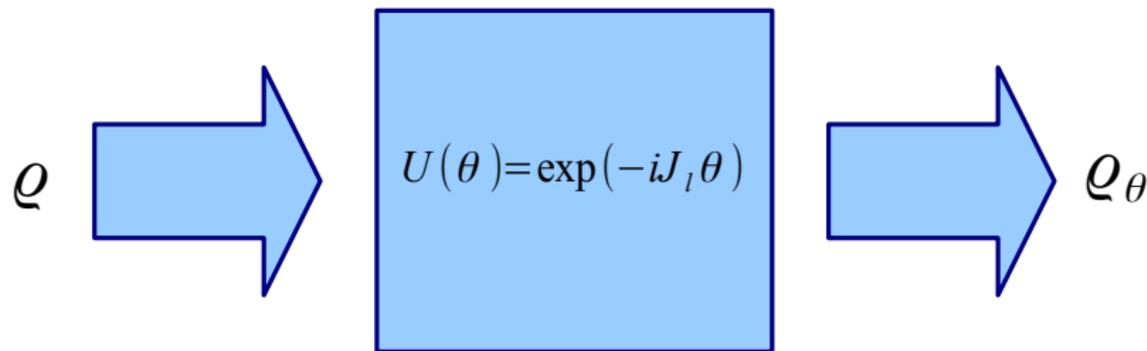
two-producible



three-producible

Quantum metrology

- Fundamental task in metrology with a **linear interferometer**



- We have to estimate θ in the dynamics

$$U = \exp(-iJ_l\theta)$$

where $l \in \{x, y, z\}$.

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The quantum Fisher information

- Cramér-Rao bound on the precision of parameter estimation

$$(\Delta\theta)^2 \geq \frac{1}{F_Q[\varrho, A]}.$$

where $F_Q[\varrho, A]$ is the **quantum Fisher information**.

- The quantum Fisher information is given by an explicit formula for ϱ and A as

$$F_Q[\varrho, A] = 2 \sum_{k,l} \frac{(\lambda_k - \lambda_l)^2}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l} |\langle k|A|l\rangle|^2,$$

where $\varrho = \sum_k \lambda_k |k\rangle\langle k|$.

- **Linear interferometer: $A = J_l$, $l = x, y, z$.**

The quantum Fisher information vs. entanglement

- For separable states

$$F_Q[\rho, J_I] \leq N.$$

[Pezze, Smerzi, PRL 2009]

- For states with at most k -particle entanglement (k is divisor of N)

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[Hyllus *et al.*, PRA 2012; GT, PRA 2012].

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Metrological precision vs. entanglement

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Metrologically useful entanglement vs. general entanglement

- Not all entangled states are more useful than separable states.
[Hyllus, Gühne, Smerzi, PRA 2010]

- For states with metrologically useful k -particle entanglement $\varrho_{k\text{-ent}}$

$$F_Q[\varrho_{k\text{-ent}}, J_z] > F_Q[\varrho_{(k-1)\text{-ent}}, J_z]$$

holds for all $\varrho_{(k-1)\text{-ent}}$.

- States with metrologically useful k -particle entanglement are more useful than the state

$$|\text{GHZ}_{(k-1)}\rangle \otimes |\text{GHZ}_{(k-1)}\rangle \otimes |\text{GHZ}_{(k-1)}\rangle \otimes \dots$$

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Witnessing metrological usefulness

- Direct measurement of the sensitivity
 - Measure $(\Delta\theta)^2$.
 - Obtain bound on F_Q and multipartite entanglement.
 - Experimentally challenging, since we need dynamics.
 - The precision is affected by the noise during the dynamics.

[Experiments in cold atoms by the groups of Oberthaler, Klempt; photonic experiments of the Weinfurter group.]

- Witnessing (our choice)
 - Estimate how good the precision were, **if we did the metrological process.**
 - Assume a perfect metrological process. **Characterizes the state only.**
 - Another approach for thermal states
[P. Hauke, M. Heyl, L. Tagliacozzo, and P. Zoller, Nat. Phys. (2016)]

Legendre transform (used often in physics)

- Optimal linear lower bound on a convex function $g(\rho)$ based on an operator expectation value $w = \langle W \rangle_\rho = \text{Tr}(W\rho)$

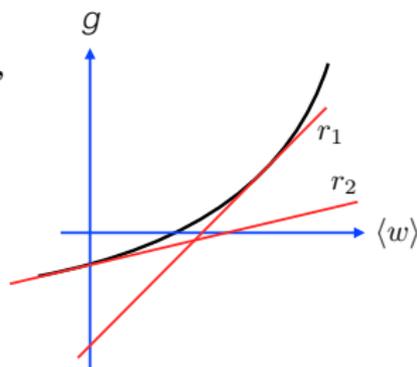
$$g(\rho) \geq rw - \text{const.},$$

where $w = \text{Tr}(\rho W)$.

- For every slope r there is a “const.”
- Textbooks say

$$g(\rho) \geq \mathcal{B}(w) := rw - \hat{g}(rW),$$

where \hat{g} is the Legendre transform.



Legendre transform II

- Bound is best if we optimize over r as

$$g(\varrho) \geq \mathcal{B}(w) := \sup_r [rw - \hat{g}(rW)],$$

where again $w = \text{Tr}(\varrho W)$.

- Then, we need the Legendre transform is given as

$$\hat{g}(W) = \sup_{\varrho} [\langle W \rangle_{\varrho} - g(\varrho)].$$

- Used for estimating entanglement measures, optimization over ϱ or Ψ is needed.

[Gühne, Reimpell, Werner, PRL 2007; Eisert, Brandao, Audenaert, NJP 2007.]

- Related approach: Lagrange multipliers. Used also in quantum information.

Bounding the quantum Fisher information

Problem: $g(\varrho) = F_Q$ and the Legendre transform is an **optimization over all elements of ϱ !**

Key observation: F_Q is the convex roof of the variance.

[GT, Petz, PRA 2013; S. Yu, arXiv1302.5311 (2013);

GT, Apellaniz, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 2014]

Hence, the Legendre transform given as an optimization over a **single (!) real variable**

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}}_Q(W) = \sup_{\mu} \left\{ \lambda_{\max} \left[W - 4(J_I - \mu)^2 \right] \right\}.$$

Bounding the quantum Fisher information II

Big surprise

The quantum Fisher information is the **ideal quantity** for using the Legendre transform technique.

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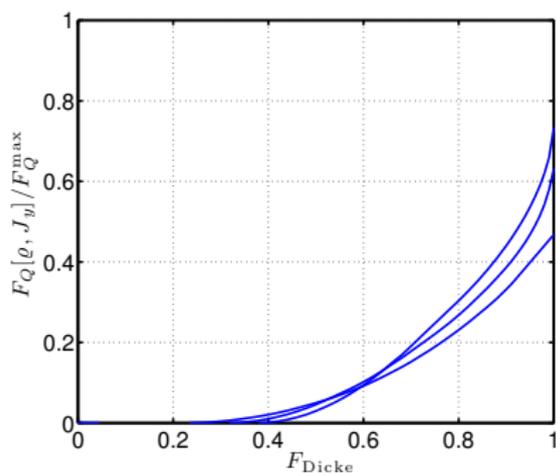
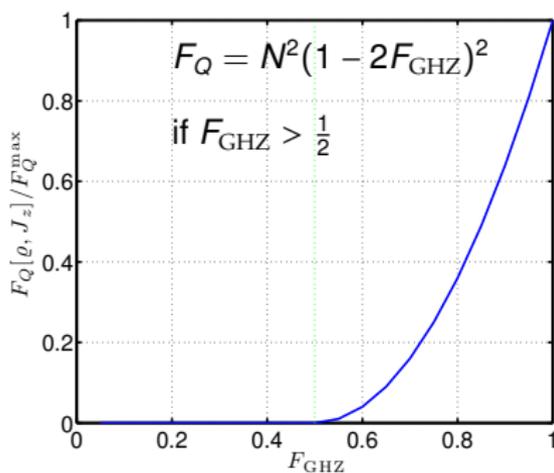
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Witnessing the quantum Fisher information based on the fidelity

- Bound the quantum Fisher information based on some measurements. First, consider small systems.

[See also Augusiak *et al.*, 1506.08837.]



Quantum Fisher information vs. Fidelity with respect to (a) GHZ states and (b) Dicke states for $N = 4, 6, 12$.

[Apellaniz *et al.*, arXiv:1511.05203.]

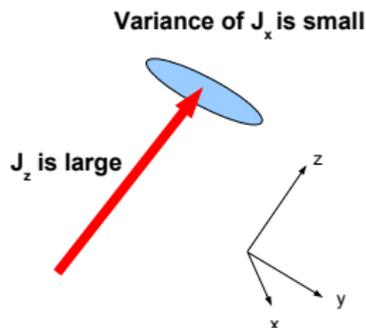
Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements

Bound on the quantum Fisher information for spin squeezed states (Pezze-Smerzi bound)

$$F_Q[\rho, J_y] \geq \frac{\langle J_z \rangle^2}{(\Delta J_x)^2}.$$

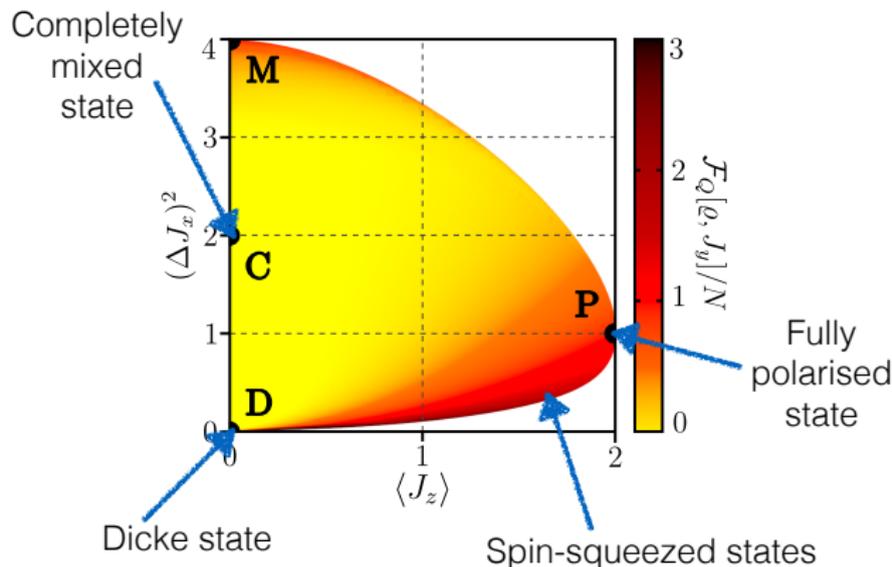
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- States with a large F_Q are spin-squeezed states:



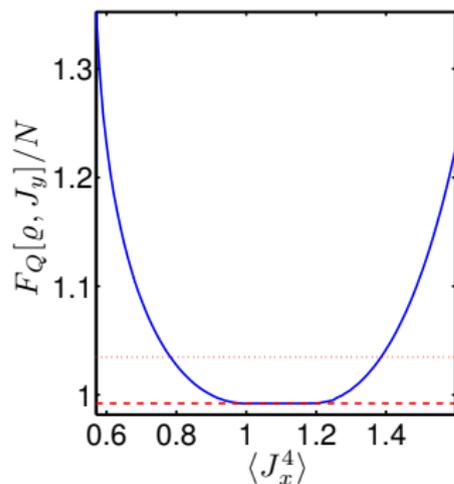
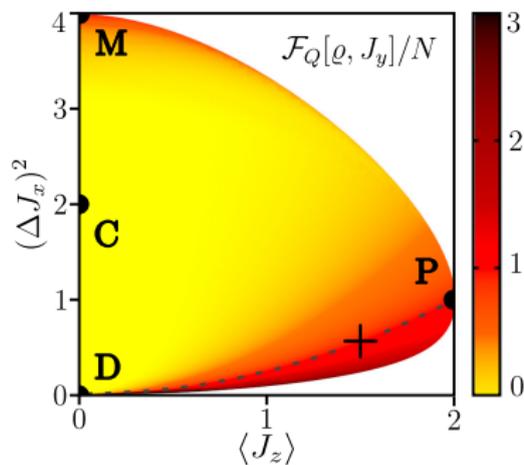
Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements II

- Optimal bound for the quantum Fisher information $F_Q[\varrho, J_y]$ for spin squeezing for $N = 4$ particles



Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements III

- The bound can be obtained if additional expectation value, i.e., $\langle J_x^2 \rangle$ is measured, or we assume symmetry:



Spin-squeezing experiment

- Experiment with $N = 2300$ atoms,

$$\xi_s^2 = N \frac{(\Delta J_x)^2}{\langle J_z \rangle^2} = -8.2\text{dB} = 10^{-8.2/10} = 0.1514.$$

[Gross, Zibold, Nicklas, Esteve, Oberthaler, Nature 2010.]

- The Pezze-Smerzi bound is:

$$\frac{\mathcal{F}_Q[\rho_N, J_y]}{N} \geq \frac{1}{\xi_s^2} = 6.605 \rightarrow 7\text{-qubit entanglement}$$

- We get the same value for our method!

[Pezze, Smerzi, PRL 2009]

- Similar calculations for Dicke state experiments!

[Lücke, Peise, Vitagliano, Arlt, Santos, Tóth, Klempt, PRL 2014.]

Our method is unique for entanglement detection in large systems

- Advantages of our approach
 - It works for any set of observables to be measured.
 - It quantifies multipartite entanglement, not only detects it.
 - It works for large systems (i.e., 2000×2000 density matrix).

- Alternatives that come close
 - Work for large systems, but for a specific set of observables, e.g., spin squeezing inequalities.
 - Work for arbitrary observables, but only for small systems, e.g., methods using semidefinite programming.

Summary

- We discussed a **very flexible** method to detect multipartite entanglement and metrological usefulness.
- We can choose a set of operators and the method gives an optimal lower bound on F_Q .

Apellaniz, Kleinmann, Gühne, Tóth, arxiv: arXiv:1511.05203

[See also Apellaniz, Lücke, Peise, Klempt, GT, NJP 17, 083027 (2015)]

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