

Alternatives of entanglement depth and metrological entanglement criteria

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Overview

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| ■ multipartite entanglement | classification / qualification / quantification |
| ■ spec.: partial separability | ordered / criteria / entropic measures |
| ■ spec.spec.: one-parameter partial separability | linearly ordered / criteria / depths |
| ■ convex metrological criteria (bounds) | |

$$D^{\text{oF}}(\rho) \leq D(\rho) \quad (\text{prod.})$$

$\forall$

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$$F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \leq D_{\text{avg}}^{\text{oF}}(\rho) \leq D_{\text{avg}}(\rho) \quad (\text{avg.})$$

good precision $\Rightarrow$ strong entanglement (criterion)

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ξ -separability

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- **refinement** (partial order): $v \preceq \xi$ def.: $\forall Y \in v, \exists X \in \xi : Y \subseteq X$

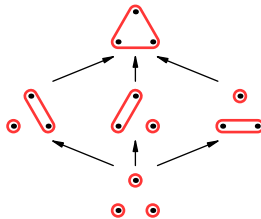
$n = 2$:



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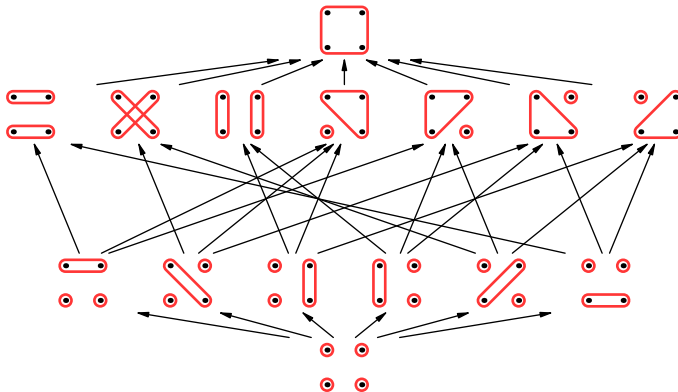
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- $n = 4$:

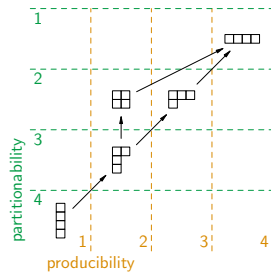
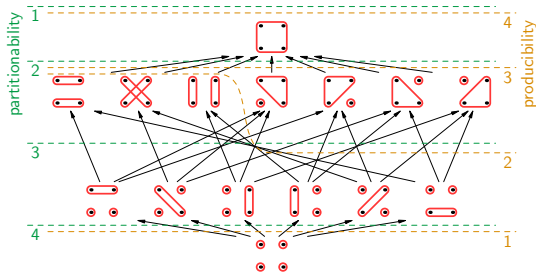


- ξ -separable states: $\mathcal{D}_\xi = \text{Conv}\{\bigotimes_{X \in \xi} \rho_X\}$, LOCC-closed

$$v \preceq \xi \iff \mathcal{D}_v \subseteq \mathcal{D}_\xi$$

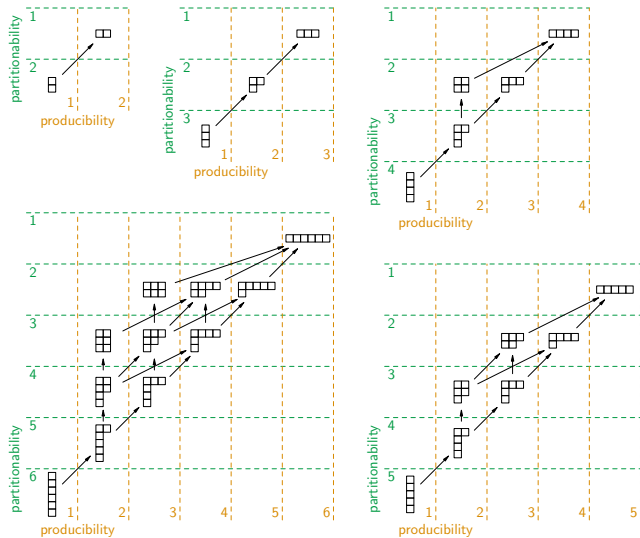
Permutation invariant properties

example: partitionability and producibility = minimal height and maximal width



- set partition $\xi = \{X_1, X_2, \dots\} \mapsto$ integer partition $\hat{\xi} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ ‘type of ξ ’
- refinement for Young diagrams, $\hat{v} \preceq \hat{\xi}$ (Young diagram)
- $\hat{\xi}$ -separable states: $\mathcal{D}_{\hat{\xi}} = \text{Conv} \bigcup_{\xi \leftarrow \hat{\xi}} \{\bigotimes_{X \in \xi} \rho_X\}$, LOCC-closed $\hat{v} \preceq \hat{\xi} \iff \mathcal{D}_{\hat{v}} \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{\hat{\xi}}$
- k -producible states: $\mathcal{D}_{k\text{-prod}} = \text{Conv} \bigcup_{\xi \text{ } k\text{-prod}} \{\bigotimes_{X \in \xi} \rho_X\}$

Partitionability and producibility



Partitionability, producibility and stretchability

■ height, width and Dyson-rank of a Young diagram

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$$h(\hat{v}) > h(\hat{\xi})$$

$$w(\hat{\xi}) := \max(\hat{\xi})$$

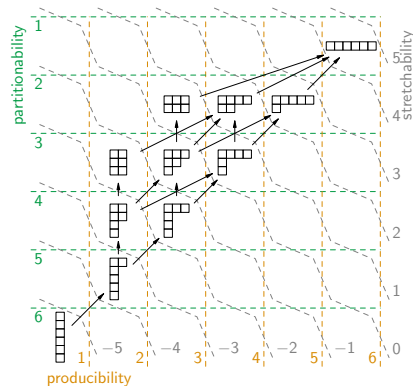
$$w(\hat{v}) \leq w(\hat{\xi})$$

$$r(\hat{\xi}) := w(\hat{\xi}) - h(\hat{\xi})$$

$$r(\hat{v}) < r(\hat{\xi})$$

■ monotones

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- k -producible states: $\mathcal{D}_{k\text{-prod}}$
strictly k -producible states: $\mathcal{C}_{k\text{-prod}}$ (class)

- depth: k -value of the layer

depth of partitionability

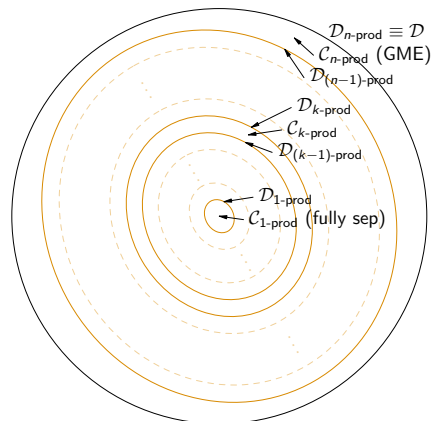
$$D_{\text{part}}(\rho) := \max\{k \in \text{Ran}(h) \mid \rho \in \mathcal{D}_{k\text{-part}}\}$$

depth of producibility

$$D_{\text{prod}}(\rho) := \min\{k \in \text{Ran}(w) \mid \rho \in \mathcal{D}_{k\text{-prod}}\} \equiv D(\rho)$$

depth of stretchability

$$D_{\text{str}}(\rho) := \min\{k \in \text{Ran}(r) \mid \rho \in \mathcal{D}_{k\text{-str}}\}$$



One-parameter entanglement properties, squareability

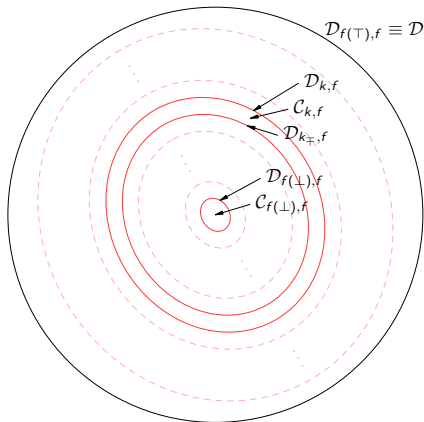
- **generator function:** f monotone

$$\hat{v} \preceq \hat{\xi} \implies f(\hat{v}) \leq f(\hat{\xi})$$

- **state spaces:** $\mathcal{D}_{k,f}$ (nested, LOCC closed)
- **classes:** $\mathcal{C}_{k,f}$ (disjoint, LOCC convertibility)
- **f -entanglement depth:** D_f (LOCC monotone)
 k -value of the layer
- further example: **squareability, avg**

$$s_2(\hat{\xi}) = \sum_{x \in \hat{\xi}} x^2 = n \sum_{x \in \hat{\xi}} \frac{x}{n} x = n \text{avg}(\hat{\xi})$$

average size of entangled subsystems (w.r.t. picking elementary subsystem)



Depths of Formation

- **f -entanglement depth:** D_f , discrete measure
- $\rho_\epsilon := \epsilon|\psi_{\text{GHZ}}\rangle\langle\psi_{\text{GHZ}}| + (1 - \epsilon)|\psi_{\text{sep}}\rangle\langle\psi_{\text{sep}}|$ with $\langle\psi_{\text{sep}}|\psi_{\text{GHZ}}\rangle = 0$
problem: entanglement depth $D(\rho_\epsilon) = n$ (maximal!) for all $\epsilon > 0$
- **f -entanglement depth of formation:** convex/concave roof extension

$$D_f^{\text{oF}}(\rho) := \begin{cases} \min_{\{(p_j, \pi_j)\} \vdash \rho} \sum_j p_j D_f(\pi_j) & \text{if } f \text{ is increasing} \\ \max_{\{(p_j, \pi_j)\} \vdash \rho} \sum_j p_j D_f(\pi_j) & \text{if } f \text{ is decreasing} \end{cases}$$

- **problem solved:** $1 < D^{\text{oF}}(\rho_\epsilon) \leq \epsilon n + (1 - \epsilon)1$
- note also that

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Bounds among depths

- average size of entangled subsystem $\leq$ maximal size of entangled subsystem
- convex roof extension is monotone
- convex roof extension is always smaller than the function (lower semicontinuous)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D^{\text{of}}(\rho) & \leq & D(\rho) \quad (\text{prod.}) \\ \forall \rho & & \forall \rho \\ D_{\text{avg}}^{\text{of}}(\rho) & \leq & D_{\text{avg}}(\rho) \quad (\text{avg.}) \end{array}$$

Convex metrological entanglement criteria

- estimation of parameter θ in the dynamics $\rho \mapsto e^{-iA\theta}\rho e^{iA\theta}$
- Cramér-Rao bound $(\Delta\theta)^2 \geq \frac{1}{nF_Q(\rho, A)}$, on the precision of parameter estimation by **quantum Fisher information** $F_Q(\rho, A)$
- **bound** for collective 1/2-spin-z observable J^z for n qubits

$$F_Q(\rho, J^z)/n \leq D(\rho)$$

- but it is actually

$$F_Q(\rho, J^z)/n \leq D_{\text{avg}}(\rho) \leq D(\rho)$$

- quantum Fisher information is the convex roof of the variance
- convex bound by the convex roof of the original bound

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average size of entangled subsystems (ASES)

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examples

$D_{\text{avg}}(\pi_j)$	$\longleftarrow$	π_j	$\longrightarrow$	$D(\pi_j)$
2.4				3
2.2				2
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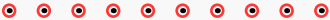
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1  1

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3			5
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Convex vs. original: $F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \leq D^{\text{of}}(\rho) \leq D(\rho)$

weaker bound $F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \leq D(\rho)$

- $\rho_\epsilon := \epsilon\rho_k + (1 - \epsilon)\rho_1$ for $\epsilon > 0$ with $\text{Tr}(\rho_k\rho_1) = 0$
where $D(\rho_k) = k$ (strictly k -producible) and $D(\rho_1) = 1$ (fully separable)
- ρ_ϵ is not k' -producible for $k' < k$, so $D(\rho_\epsilon) = k$ for all $\epsilon > 0$
- ρ_ϵ is much less entangled as ρ_k itself, a much lower $F_Q(\rho_\epsilon, J^Z)/n$ is expected

Convex vs. original: $F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \leq D^{\text{oF}}(\rho) \leq D(\rho)$

stronger bound $F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \leq D^{\text{oF}}(\rho)$

- for all pure decompositions $\rho = \sum_j p_j \pi_j$, with $q_k = \sum_{j:D(\pi_j)=k} p_j$

$$F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \leq D^{\text{oF}}(\rho) \leq \sum_j p_j D(\pi_j) = \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \sum_{j:D(\pi_j)=k} \frac{p_j}{q_k} D(\pi_j) = \sum_{k=1}^n q_k k$$

- e.g., let $n = 10$, $F_Q(\rho, J^Z) \geq 30$, $F_Q(\rho, J^Z)/n \geq 3$
- always exists k -producible π_j for at least one $k \geq 3$
- if there are k -producible pure states π_j for $k < 3$,
then this has to be compensated by k -producible π_j -s for $k > 3$
- at least $2q_1$ weight of 4-producible states are needed for this

$$3 \leq 1q_1 + 3q_3 + 4q_4 = q_1 + 3(1 - q_1 - q_4) + 4q_4 \text{ leads to } 2q_1 \leq q_4$$

- or at least the same q_1 weight of 5-producible states

$$3 \leq 1q_1 + 3q_3 + 5q_5 = q_1 + 3(1 - q_1 - q_5) + 5q_5 \text{ leads to } q_1 \leq q_5$$

Take home message

- k -producibility, k -average: **one-parameter** partial separability properties
- (there are many more, partitionability, **producibility**, stretchability, **avg=squareability**, toughness size-Rényi/Tsallis, entanglement-Dim, entanglement-DoF...)
- properties naturally characterized by **depth** and **depth of formation**
- **metrological entanglement criteria**: metrological precision (by **quantum Fisher information**) vs. multipartite entanglement (by **entanglement depths**)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D^{\text{oF}}(\rho) & \leq & D(\rho) \quad (\text{prod.}) \\ \forall \rho & & \forall \rho \\ \frac{1}{n} F_Q(\rho, J^z) & \leq & D_{\text{avg}}^{\text{oF}}(\rho) \leq D_{\text{avg}}(\rho) \quad (\text{avg.}) \end{array}$$

Thank you for your attention!

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