

Estimation of entanglement monotones in permutationally invariant spin systems

Julia Mathé (TU Wien)



Giuseppe Vitagliano (TU Wien)



Ayaka Usui (UAB Barcelona)

Outline

- Entanglement detection and quantification
 - Entanglement witnesses
 - Entanglement monotones \rightarrow bounds
- Permutationally invariant spin systems
- Methods and results
 - Case study: XXX model
 - Other models and generalizations
- Outlook

Problem statement

Given a (generally non-pure) **thermal state** of N spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles

$$\rho = \frac{e^{-H/T}}{Z}$$

Is this state entangled, i.e. it cannot be written as

$$\rho_{\text{sep}} = \sum_k p_k (|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots| \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots|)$$

with $\sum_k p_k = 1$, and, if so, **how much entangled** is it?

Motivation

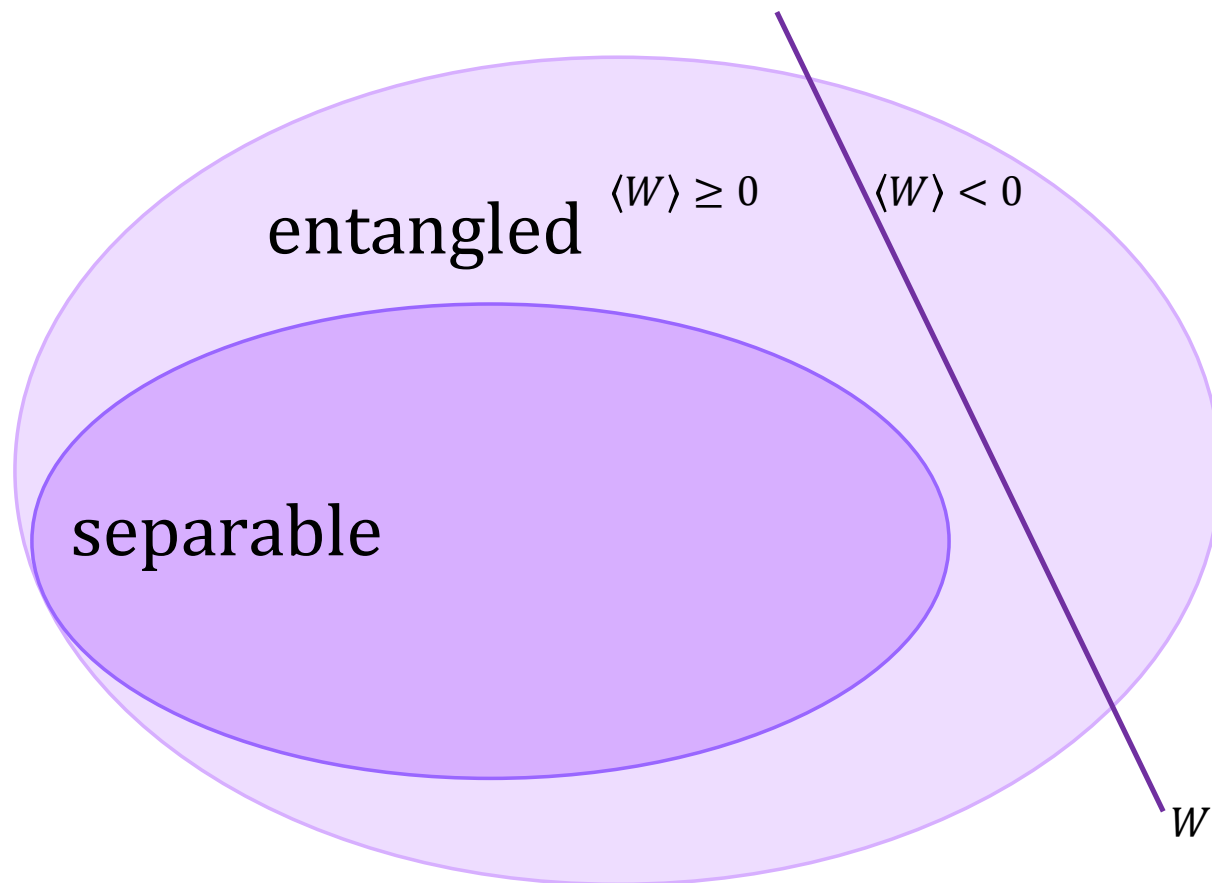
(Multipartite) entanglement is interesting:

- Study of quantum correlations and complex phases
 - Implementations in quantum simulation, sensing, communication
- Need for entanglement detection and quantification

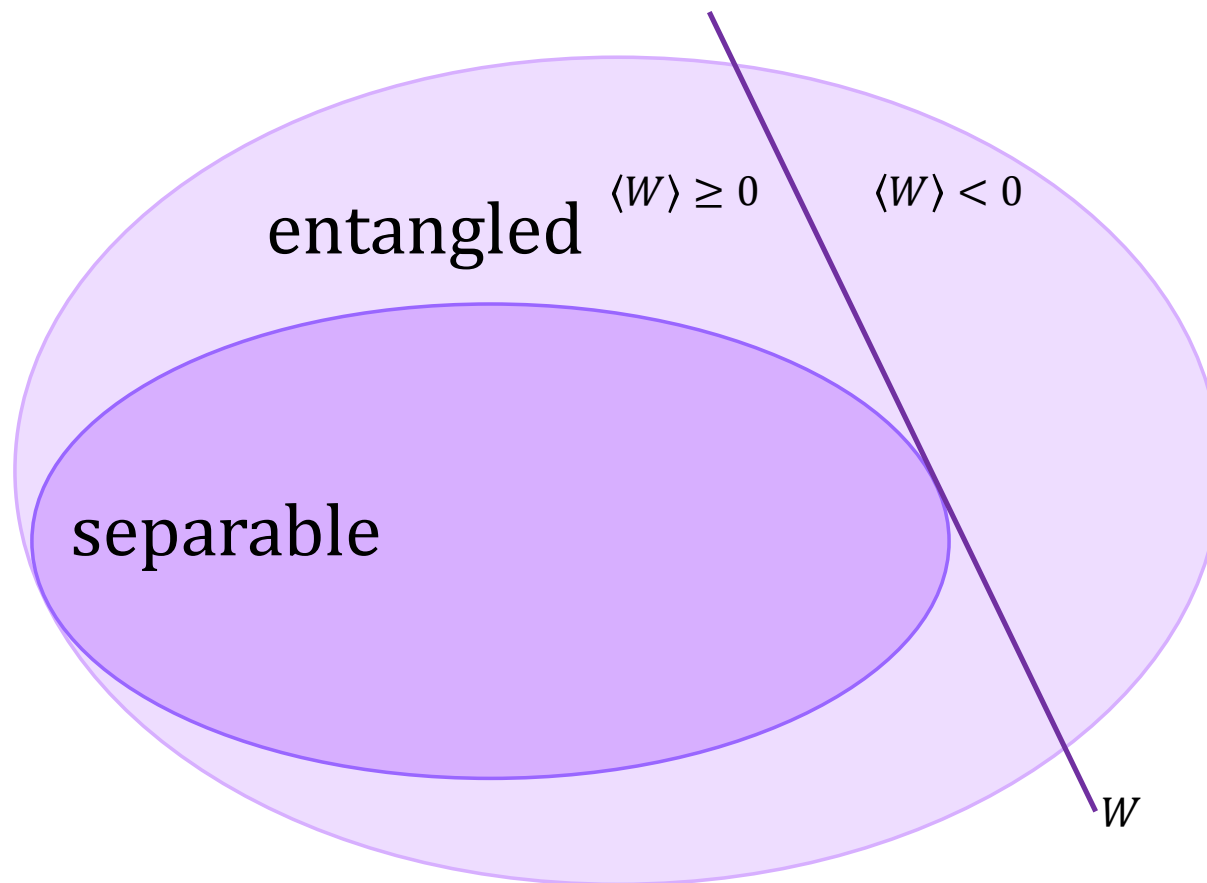
In most systems full-state tomography is not possible

→ Methods based on *entanglement witnesses*

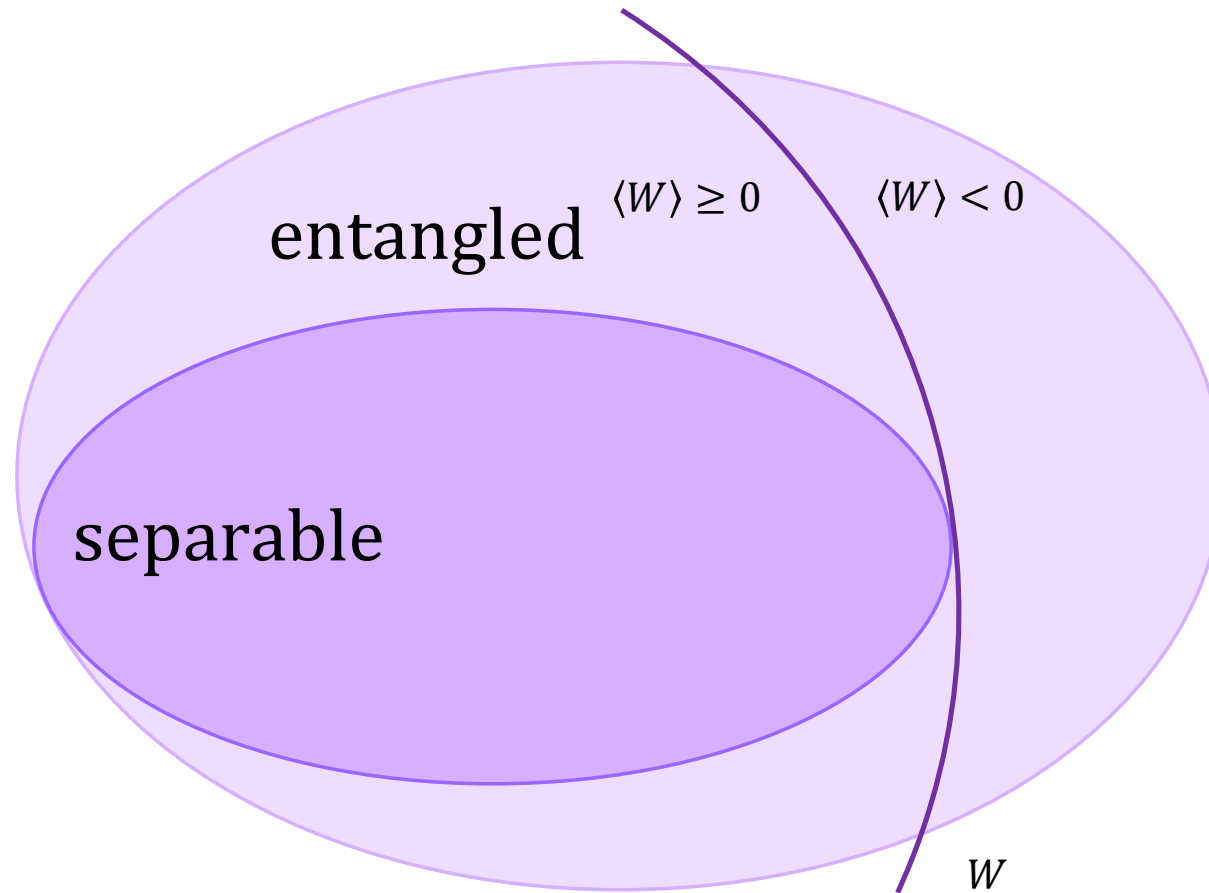
Entanglement witnesses



Optimal entanglement witnesses



Nonlinear optimal entanglement witnesses



Variance-based optimal entanglement witnesses

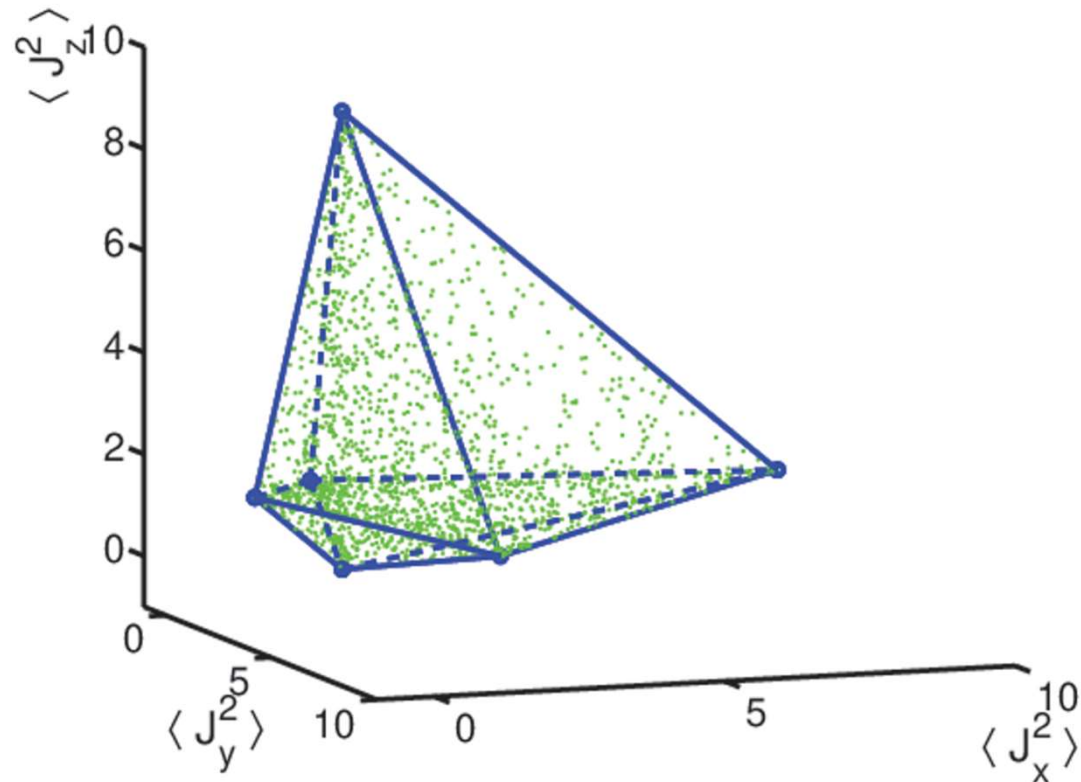
→ Spin-squeezing inequalities (SSIs) [1]:

$$\langle S_x^2 \rangle + \langle S_y^2 \rangle + \langle S_z^2 \rangle \leq N(N + 2)/4$$

$$(\Delta S_x)^2 + (\Delta S_y)^2 + (\Delta S_z)^2 \geq N/2$$

$$(N - 1)(\Delta S_k)^2 - \langle S_l^2 \rangle - \langle S_m^2 \rangle \geq -N/2$$

$$(N - 1)[(\Delta S_k)^2 + (\Delta S_l)^2] - \langle S_m^2 \rangle \geq N(N - 2)/4$$



[1] G. Tóth et al., Phys. Rev. A 79, 042334 (2009)

Witness-based entanglement monotones

Non-negative real functions of density matrices that are zero for all separable states σ and non-increasing under LOCC:

$$\varepsilon_M = \max\{0, -\min_{W \in M} \text{tr}(W\rho)\} \quad [2]$$

Example: Best Separable Approximation (BSA)

$$BSA(\rho) = \min(t) : \rho = (1-t)\sigma + t\nu, \quad t \in [0,1]$$

target state separable entangled

→ Special cases:

$$t = 0 \rightarrow \rho = \sigma \quad \text{and} \quad t = 1 \rightarrow \rho = \nu$$

[2] F. G. S. L. Brandao, Phys. Rev. A 72, 022310 (2005)

Bounds on the BSA

$$BSA(\rho) = \min(t) : \rho = (1 - t)\sigma + t\nu, \quad t \in [0,1]$$

For a thermal state $\rho = \frac{e^{-H/T}}{Z}$ we can find

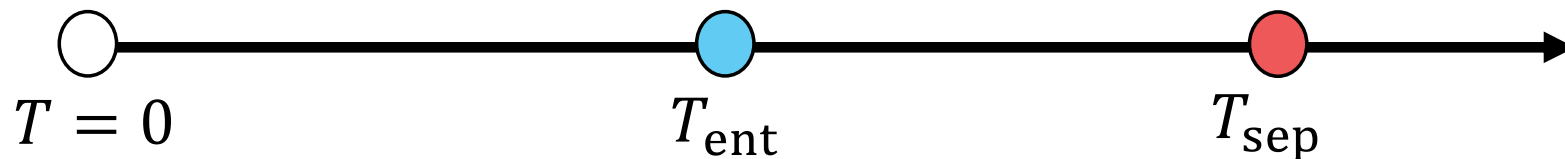
- A lower bound based on an entanglement witness

$$BSA(\rho) \geq \max\{0, -\langle W \rangle\}$$

- An upper bound based on a separable ansatz state

$$BSA(\rho) \leq BSA(\sigma)$$

$$\sigma = \sum_k p_k (|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle \uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots| \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle \downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots|)$$



Permutationally invariant spin states

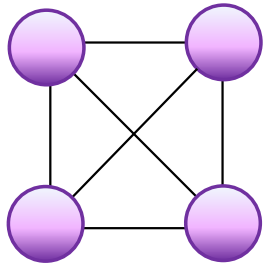
Example:

$$\begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \nearrow \end{array} \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \pm \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right) / \sqrt{2}$$

Permutational invariance (PI): $U_{\pi} \rho U_{\pi}^{\dagger} = \rho$ with $\pi \in \mathfrak{S}_N$

Relevance: Thermal states of fully connected spin systems

Case study: Fully connected XXX model



$$H_{\text{XXX}} = g (S_x^2 + S_y^2 + S_z^2)$$

with $S_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \sigma_k^{(n)}$ and $g = 1$ in the upcoming calculations

Interlude: Schur-Weyl duality

For $A^{\otimes N}$ acting on $\mathcal{H}_N = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes N}$ we can factorize the Hilbert space

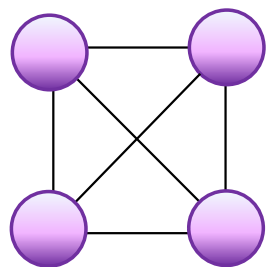
$$\mathcal{H}_N = \bigoplus_{S=0}^{N/2} \mathcal{H}_S \otimes \mathbb{C}^{\mu_S}$$

where $\mathcal{H}_S = \mathbb{C}^{2S+1}$ is the Hilbert space of a single spin- S particle and μ_S is the spin multiplicity.

With this, our density matrices also factorize

$$\rho = \bigoplus_{S=0}^{N/2} p_S \rho_S \otimes \frac{1}{\mu_S} \mathbb{1}_{\mu_S}$$

Case study: Fully connected XXX model



$$H_{\text{XXX}} = g (S_x^2 + S_y^2 + S_z^2) = \bigoplus_{S=0}^{N/2} S(S+1) \mathbb{1}_S \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\mu_S}$$

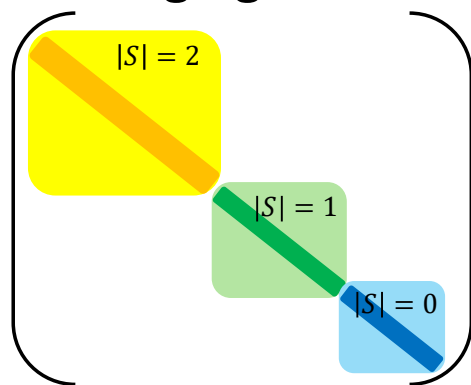
with $S_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \sigma_k^{(n)}$ and $g = 1$ in the upcoming calculations

The $S_k = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \sigma_k^{(n)}$ split into the sectors \mathcal{H}_S of the associated irrep of $SU(2)$ that contains PI states belonging to the representation of the symmetric group S_N .

Example: $N = 4$

Note:

$$\mathcal{H}_\lambda \leftrightarrow \mathcal{H}_S$$



| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|

$$|S| = 2$$

$$\lambda = \{4\}$$

| | | |
|-------|-----|-----|
| 1 | 2/3 | 3/4 |
| 2/3/4 | | |

$$|S| = 1$$

$$\lambda = \{3,1\}$$

| | |
|-----|-----|
| 1 | 2/3 |
| 2/3 | 4 |

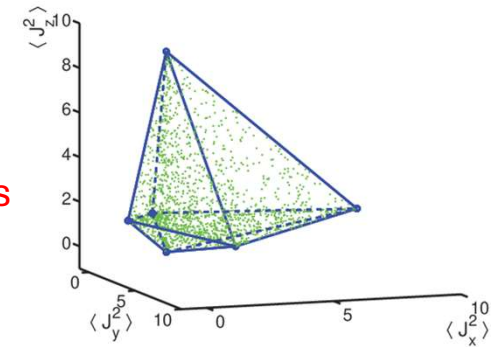
$$|S| = 0$$

$$\lambda = \{2,2\}$$

Lower bound: BSA for H_{XXX}

With $W = \langle H \rangle - N/2$:

$$BSA(\rho) \geq \max\{0, -\text{normalized witness} \cdot 2W/N\}$$



Interlude: calculations for large N

$$Z(T) = \sum_{S=0}^{N/2} \mu_S (2S + 1) e^{-gS(S+1)/(TN)} \quad \langle H \rangle = \sum_{S=0}^{N/2} \mu_S (2S + 1) S(S + 1) e^{-gS(S+1)/(TN)}$$
$$= -\frac{N}{g} \partial_\beta \log(Z(\beta)), \beta = 1/T$$

Multiplicity:

$$\mu_S = \binom{N}{N/2-S} - \binom{N}{N/2-S-1}$$
$$\mu_x \approx (1 + 2x) e^{-2x(x+1)/N} \quad [3]$$

$$\rightarrow Z(T) = \int_0^\infty dx (2x + 1) \mu_x e^{-gx(x+1)/(TN)}$$

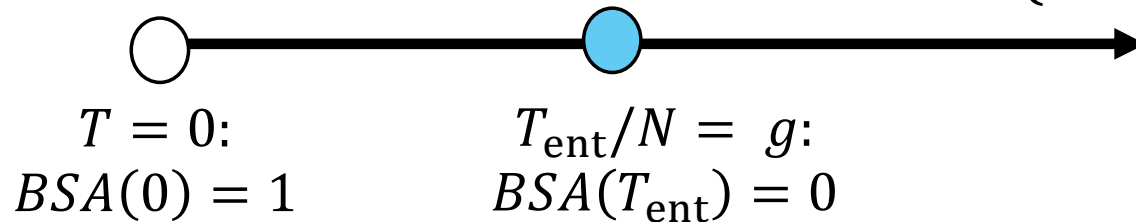
[3] T. Curtright et al. , Phys. Lett. A 381 5, 0375-9601 (2017)

Lower bound: BSA for H_{XXX}

With $W = \langle H \rangle - N/2$:

$$BSA(\rho) \geq \max\{0, -2W/N\}$$

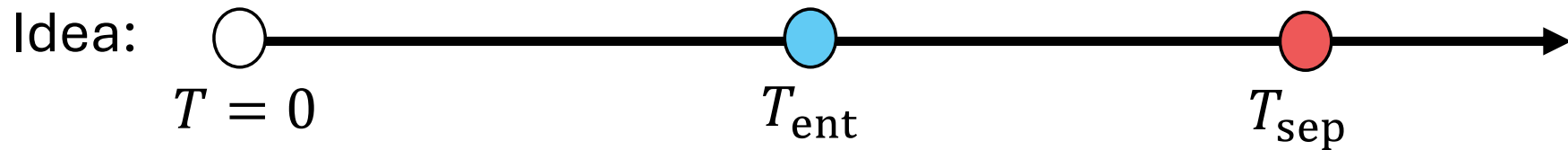
$$\rightarrow BSA(T) \geq \max\left\{0, 1 - \frac{3}{g/T + 2}\right\}$$



Analogously for $H_{XX} = g(S_x^2 + S_y^2)$: $T_{\text{ent}}/N = g/2$

Check: [1] G. Tóth et al., Phys. Rev. A 79, 042334 (2009)

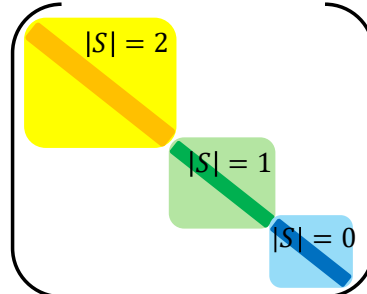
Upper bound: separable state ansatz



Ansatz based on states that are both PI and separable:

$$\sigma = \sum_k p_k (|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots| \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots|)$$

Target state: $\rho = \frac{e^{-H/T}}{Z}$ diagonal in basis of global spin $|S S_z \mu_S\rangle$

→ Ansatz states should also be diagonal 

How to obtain separable PI ansatz states I

Separable PI states can be written as

$$\rho_{\text{PI}}^{\text{sep}} = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\pi \in \mathfrak{S}_N} U_{\pi} \left(\sum_k p_k (|\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle\langle\uparrow\uparrow \dots| \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\uparrow \dots\rangle\langle\downarrow\uparrow \dots|)_k \right) U_{\pi}^{\dagger}$$

Most general case: map the boundary of the set of separable states (spanned by pure states) into PI states:

$$\rho_{\text{PI}}^{\text{boundary}} = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\pi \in \mathfrak{S}_N} U_{\pi} (|\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle\langle\uparrow\uparrow \dots| \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\uparrow \dots\rangle\langle\downarrow\uparrow \dots|) U_{\pi}^{\dagger}$$

How to obtain separable PI ansatz states II

→ For our PI model, we only need to find the coefficients corresponding to operators in each \mathcal{H}_S .

For an ansatz of product states of N single particle s_z states and a corresponding S_z they are

$$\alpha_{S,S_z}^{m_1, \dots, m_N} = \sum_{i_s} |\langle m_1, \dots, m_N | S, S_z, i_s \rangle|^2$$

which can be obtained from combinatorics and d -dimensional SU(2) generators (or, equivalently, the Schur matrix).

Note: Equivalent method

Method: Write ansatz states as *Werner states* [4]:

$$\rho_W = U^{\otimes N} \rho_W (U^{\otimes N})^\dagger = \sum_{\pi \in \mathfrak{S}_N} \alpha_\pi U_\pi = \sum_{\lambda} \alpha_\lambda P_\lambda$$

coordinates of product states in spin subspaces
 $\alpha_\lambda = \frac{1}{\dim(\mathcal{H}_\lambda)} \frac{d(\lambda)}{N!} \text{Imm}_\lambda G(\psi_1, \dots, \psi_N)$

projectors into spin subspaces
central young projectors

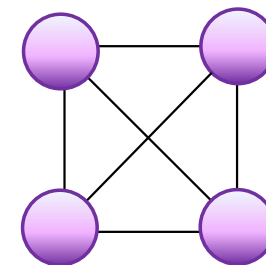
We can characterize product states patterns using *Gram matrices*.

Example: $H_{XXX}, N = 4$:

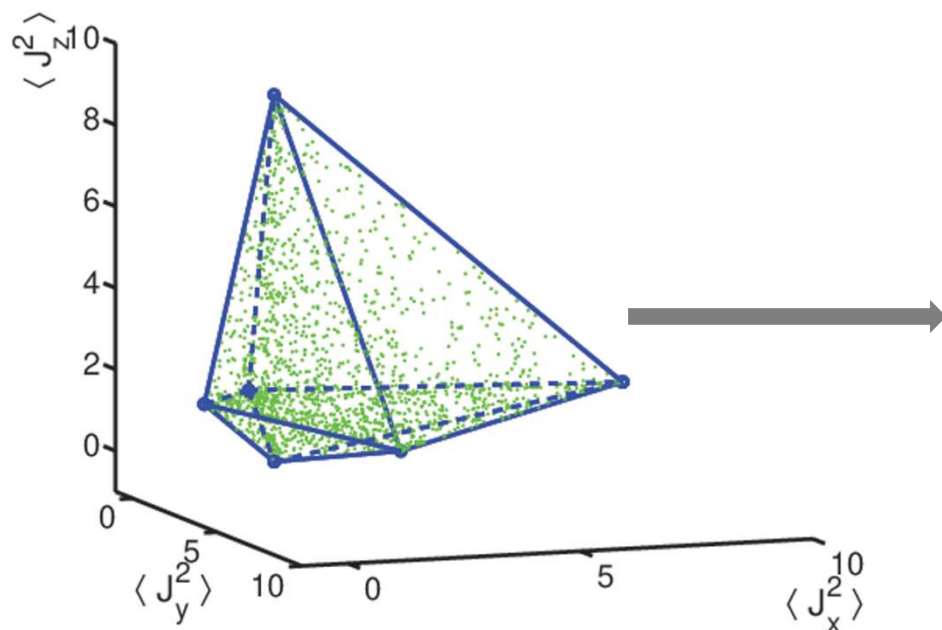
$$\{G_1, G_2, G_3\} = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \downarrow \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

[4] R. F. Werner, Phys. Rev. A 40, 4277 (1989)

Case study: XXX model



$$\sigma^i = \frac{1}{2^N} \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^{N/2+1} p_i \right) + \sum_{\lambda=1}^{N/2+1} p_i \alpha_{\lambda}^i$$



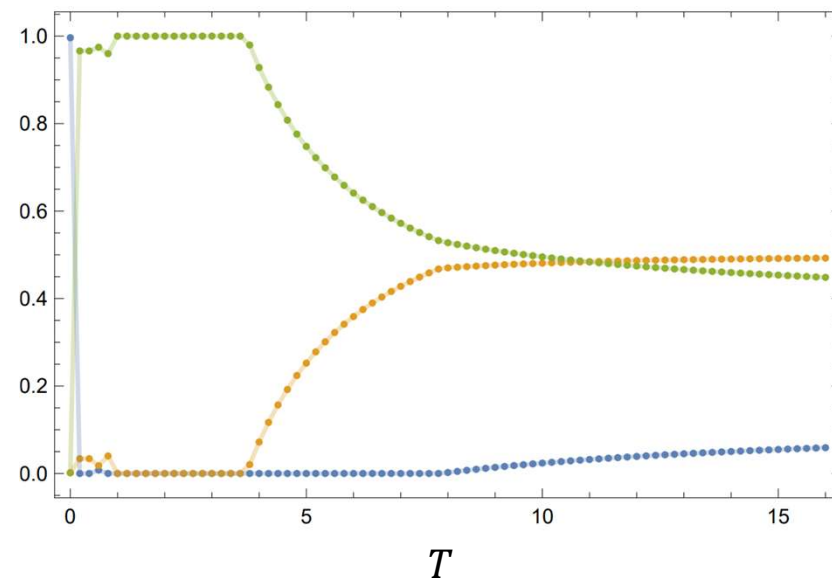
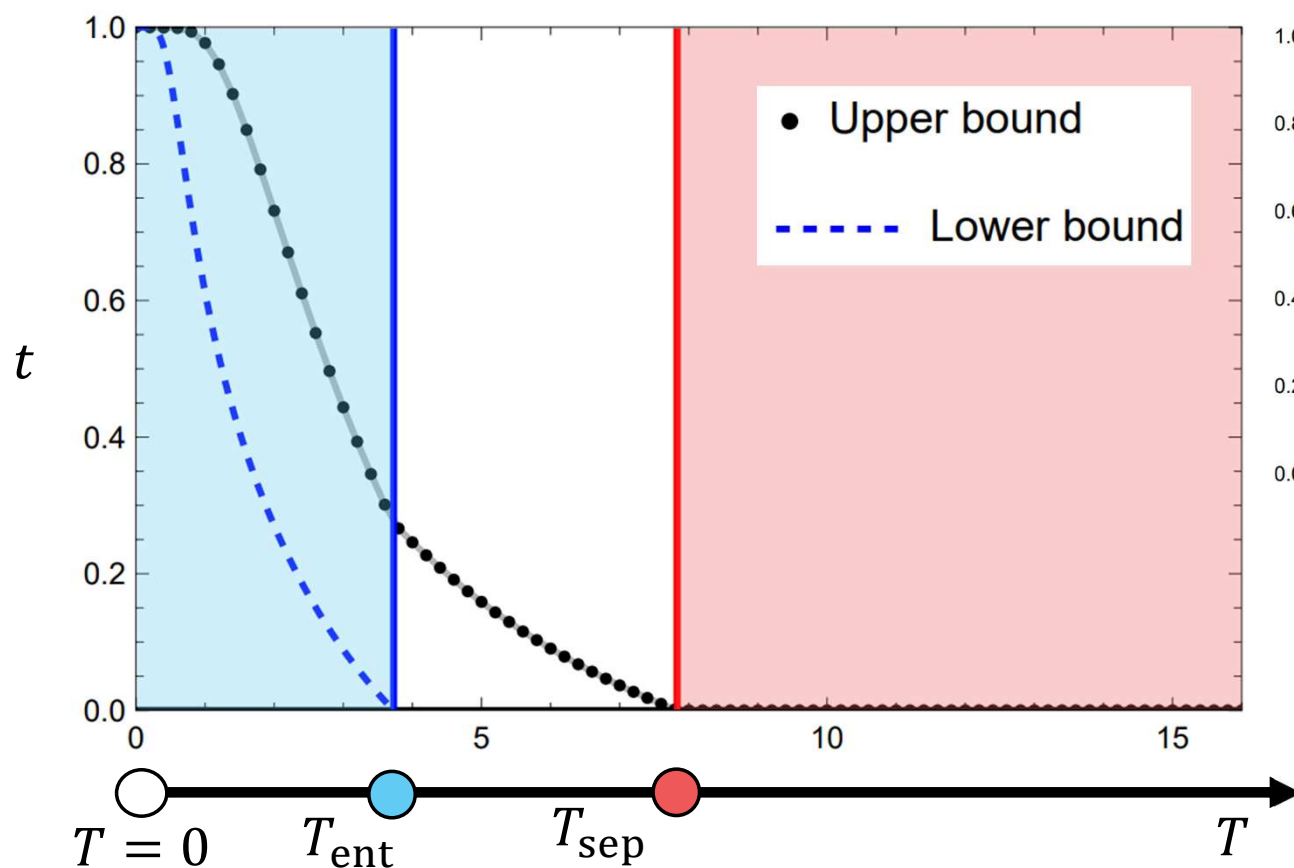
($N = 4$):

$$\alpha_{\lambda=\{4\}} = \{1/5, 1/20, 1/30\}$$

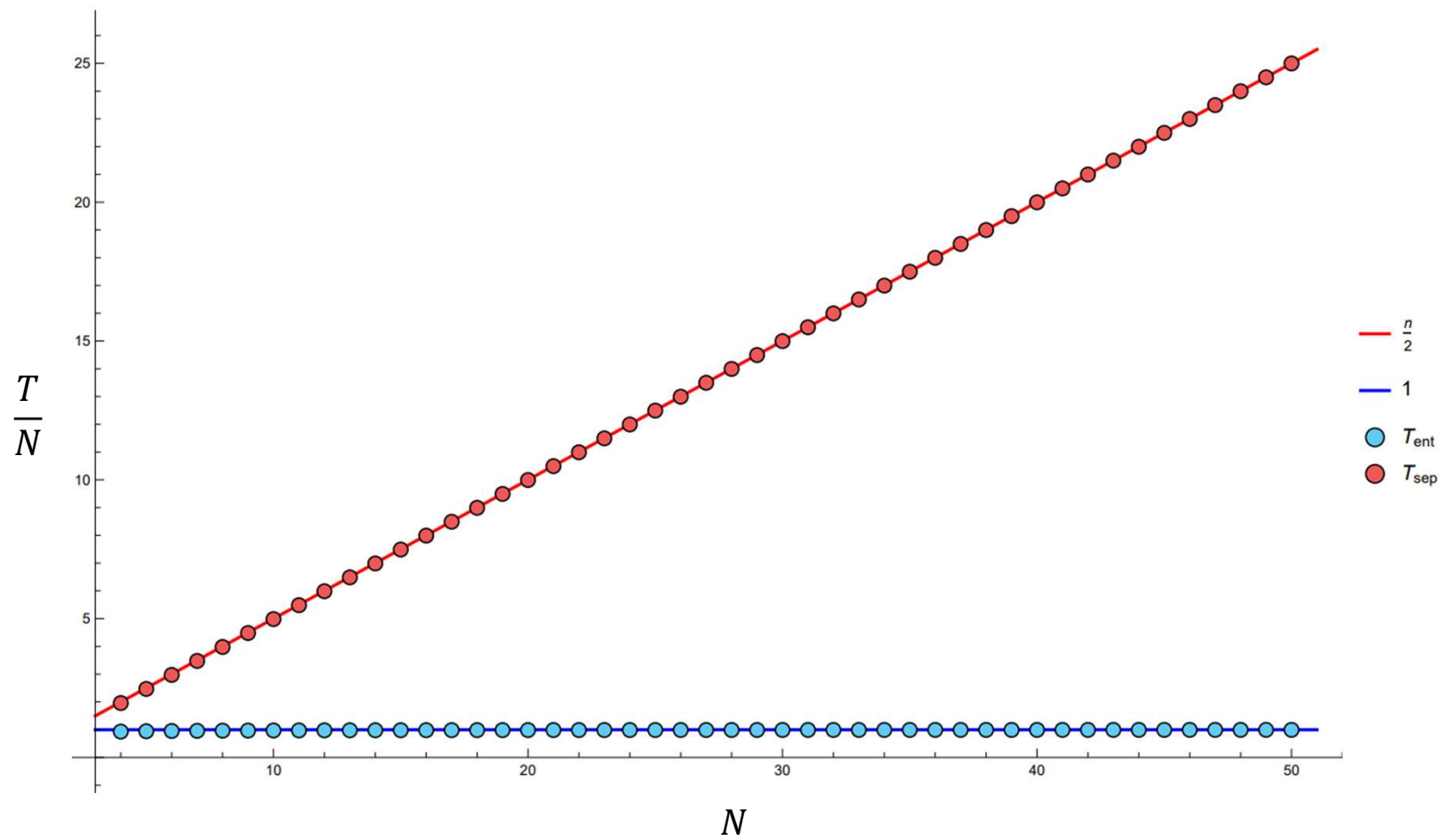
$$\alpha_{\lambda=\{3,1\}} = \{0, 1/18, 1/12\}$$

$$\alpha_{\lambda=\{2,2\}} = \{0, 0, 1/6\}$$

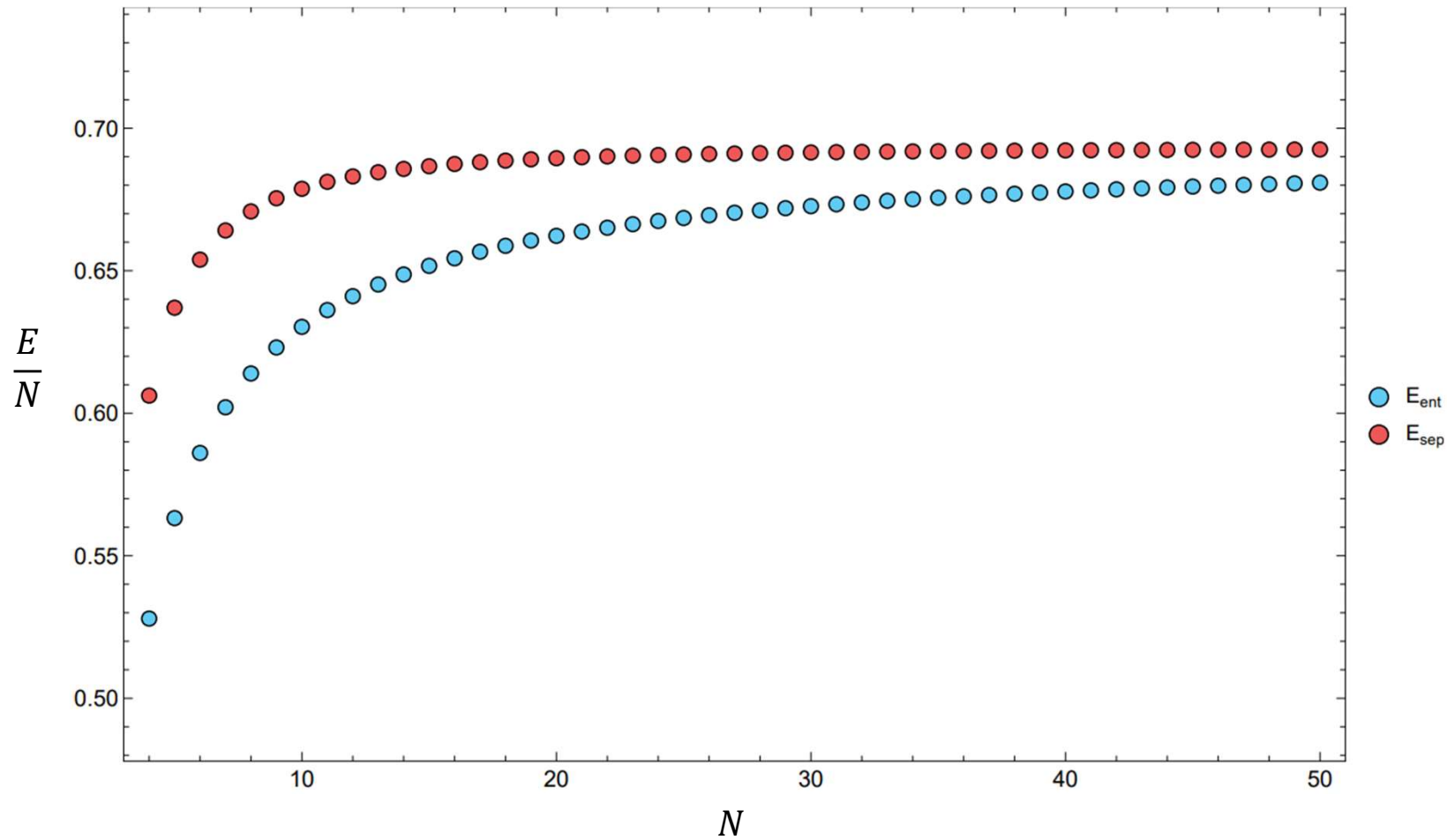
BSA for the XXX model ($N = 4$)



Results for the XXX model: $\frac{T}{N}$



Results for the XXX model: $\frac{E}{N}$ $E = \langle H \rangle / T + \log(Z)$



Other preliminary results and extensions

With this mechanism we can also obtain ...

- Bounds for other models

- XX model: $H_{XX} = g(S_x^2 + S_y^2)$
- XXZ model: $H_{XXZ} = g(S_x^2 + S_y^2) + hS_z^2$
- Models undergoing some dynamics, e. g. $H(\tau) = g(S_x^2 + S_y^2) + h(\tau)S_z^2$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_{XX} = g(S_x^2 + S_y^2) \\ H_{XXZ} = g(S_x^2 + S_y^2) + hS_z^2 \end{array} \right\} \frac{T_{\text{ent}}}{N} = c_1, \frac{T_{\text{sep}}}{N} \sim c_2 N$$

- Bounds for other entanglement monotones

- Similar results for GR

- Generalizations

- Entropy formulation
- More general method to obtain lower bound
- Mixed states

Outlook

We are also looking at

- Bounds for more complicated models (e. g. XYZ) and entanglement measures (relative entropy, geometric measure of entanglement)
- Extensions to non-Hermitian observables:

$$(N - 1) \sum_{k \in I} \left(\tilde{\Delta} J_k(q_k) \right)^2 - \sum_{k \notin I} \left\langle \tilde{J}_k^2(q_k) \right\rangle + N(N - 1)j^2 \geq 0$$

$$J_k^{(m)}(q_k) = \sum_{n=1}^{k_m} e^{-iq_k n} j_k^{(n)}, \quad \left\langle \tilde{J}_k^2(q_k) \right\rangle := \left\langle J_k^2(q_k) \right\rangle - \sum_n \left\langle \left(j_k^{(n)} \right)^2 \right\rangle = \sum_{n \neq m} e^{iq_k(n-m)} \left\langle j_k^{(n)} j_k^{(m)} \right\rangle$$

Summary: Bounds on entanglement monotones

$$\varepsilon_M = \max\{0, -\min_{W \in M} \text{tr}(W\rho)\}$$

For a thermal state $\rho = \frac{e^{-H/T}}{Z}$ we can find

- A lower bound based on an entanglement witness

$$\varepsilon_M(\rho) \geq \max\{0, -\langle W \rangle\}$$

- An upper bound based on a separable ansatz state

$$\varepsilon_M(\rho) \leq \varepsilon_M(\sigma)$$

$$\sigma = \sum_k p_k (|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots| \otimes \dots \otimes |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots\rangle \langle\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \dots|)$$

