

Metrological usefulness of entanglement and nonlinear Hamiltonians

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Our goal

1. Characterize useful entanglement via **nonlinear** Hamiltonians.
2. Compare linear and nonlinear **useful** Hamiltonians.

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Examples of four qubits

GHZ state: $|\text{GHZ}\rangle = |0000\rangle + |1111\rangle$

W state: $|\text{W}\rangle = |0001\rangle + |0010\rangle + |0100\rangle + |1000\rangle$

Cluster state: $|\text{CL}\rangle = |0000\rangle + |1100\rangle + |0011\rangle - |1111\rangle$

Singlet state: $|\text{S}_4\rangle = |0011\rangle + |1100\rangle - \frac{1}{2}(|10\rangle + |10\rangle) \otimes (|10\rangle + |10\rangle)$

Biseparable state: $|\psi^+\rangle \otimes |\psi^+\rangle$ with $|\psi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$

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$$F_Q(\varrho, H) = 2 \sum_{k,l} \frac{(\lambda_k - \lambda_l)^2}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l} |\langle k|H|l\rangle|^2, \quad \varrho = \sum_k \lambda_k |k\rangle\langle k|.$$

This is related to **metrological sensitivity** via Cramér-Rao bound.

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- ▶ If $s(H_1) > s(H_2)$, then H_1 is **more useful** than H_2 .

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- ▶ **No exact computation** of $s(H_{NL})$, so far.

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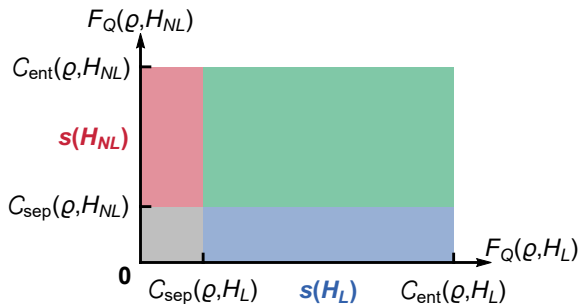
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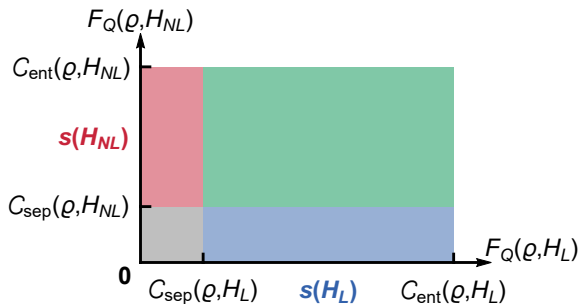


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e.g., $N = 3$, $J_z = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_z \otimes I \otimes I + I \otimes \sigma_z \otimes I + I \otimes I \otimes \sigma_z)$

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$$c_2 = 3\sqrt{\frac{N^2[N(N(3N(N(3(N-9)N+128)-360)+1720))-1440]+480]^3}{(N-2)(N-1)[3(N-5)N+20]^4}}.$$

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- ▶ Technical difficulty: **Lack of QFI's additivity**

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- ▶ **Particularly:** our state $|\Phi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\text{GHZ}\rangle + |S_N\rangle)$ has

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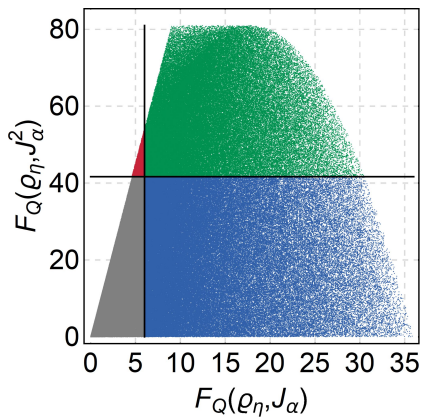
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Our result 4: Entanglement classification

Consider: $\rho_\eta = \eta |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| + \frac{1-\eta}{2^N} I$, for $N = 6$,

where $|\Phi\rangle = \sqrt{\lambda_1} |0\rangle^{\otimes N} + \sqrt{\lambda_2} |1\rangle^{\otimes N} + \sqrt{1 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2} |S_N\rangle$.



Larger N , smaller red area!

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- ▶ **Strong** conjecture: $s(H_L^k) > s(H_L^{k+2})$, $\forall H_L$ and large N ?



Technical details about separability bounds

$$\mathcal{C}_{\text{sep}}(J_\alpha^2) = \max_{\varrho_{\text{sep}}} F_Q(\varrho_{\text{sep}}, J_\alpha^2) = \dots = \max_{\vec{\alpha}} P(\vec{\alpha}),$$

where $\vec{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N)^T$ with $\alpha_i \in [-1, 1]$ and

$$P(\vec{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[N(N-1) + 2(N-2) \sum_{i \neq j} \alpha_i \alpha_j - \sum_{i \neq j} \alpha_i^2 \alpha_j^2 - 2 \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} \alpha_i^2 \alpha_j \alpha_k \right].$$

Using the Lagrangian multiplier

$$\mathcal{L}(\vec{\alpha}, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3) = P(\vec{\alpha}) + \sum_{m=1,2,3} \kappa_m \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i^m - p_m \right),$$

we showed that the maximal $P(\vec{\alpha})$ can be attained **only** by the symmetric case $\vec{\alpha}_* = (\alpha_*, \dots, \alpha_*)$ with $\alpha_* = \pm \sqrt{\frac{(N-2)}{(2N-3)}}$.