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Quantifying Spatial Correlations in General Quantum Dynamics

Autumn School on Correlated Electrons: Topology, Entanglement, and Strong Correlations



My background and research areas



Research Lines & Applications



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Dynamics of Quantum Systems

Correlated vs Uncorrelated Dynamics



Evolution of a part of a multipartite quantum system may depend on the evolution of the others

"Spatial" Correlations





Correlated Quantum Dynamics

Examples:

Any multipartite quantum system with interaction among their parties, or with a common bath



Quantum Computers and Simulators

Blatt group (Innsbruck, Austria)

Superconducting Qubits



Martinis group (UCSB, California)



Atomic gases





Ye group (NIST, Colorado)

Fundamental processes and applications, e.g. performance of quantum information processing protocols

Harnessing dynamical correlations

Protection of quantum states

Decoherence-Free Subspaces (DFS), Dynamical decoupling, quantum control



Quantum technology

Entanglement-based magnetometry, Quantum sensing



Outline of this lecture

- I) Quantifying correlations in quantum states
- 2) Dynamics in closed and open quantum systems
- 3) Quantifying spatial correlations in quantum dynamics
- 4) Physical application: radiating atoms
- 5) Experimental noise characterisation in a quantum computer
- 6) Harnessing spatially correlated noise





Quantifying Correlations in Dynamics

First attempt: correlations of observables



 $C(X_{\rm A}, Y_{\rm B}) = \langle X_{\rm A} \otimes Y_{\rm B} \rangle - \langle X_{\rm A} \rangle \langle Y_{\rm B} \rangle$

If $C(X_A, Y_B) \neq 0$ \square Correlated Dynamics

Not enough!

Quantifying Correlations in Dynamics

Introduce a quantifier to assess the amount of correlations in quantum dynamics in a general way, and independently of specific underlying situations or models

Wishlist

- No need for good guesses of test states
- No need for good guesses of test observables
- Quantitative measure not a simple yes / no / I don't know output

Correlations in quantum dynamics states

ALICE



Example: Bell states (EPR pairs) BOB



 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle|0\rangle + |1\rangle|1\rangle)$



 $\rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm A} = \mathrm{Tr}_{\rm B}(\rho_{\rm S}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(|0\rangle \langle 0|_{\rm A} + |1\rangle \langle 1|_{\rm A} \right)$

 $\langle Z_{\rm A} \rangle = \operatorname{Tr}_{\rm A}(Z_{\rm A}\rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm A}) = 0$





 $C(Z_A, Z_B) = \langle Z_A \otimes Z_B \rangle - \langle Z_A \rangle \langle Z_B \rangle = 1$



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Entangled:

 $|\Phi^+
angle
eq |\psi_1
angle_{\mathrm{A}} \otimes |\psi_2
angle_{\mathrm{B}}$ with $|\psi_i
angle = lpha_i|0
angle_i + eta_i|1
angle_i$

How correlated is a bi-partite state?

Quantum mutual information

generalises Shannon mutual information (quantifying dependence between two random variables)



von Neumann entropy
$$S(\rho_S) := -\text{Tr}\rho_S \log(\rho_S)$$

 $\rho_S = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i |$

with
$$p_i \geq 0$$
 and $\sum_i p_i = 1$

$$S(\rho_{\rm S}) = -\sum_i p_i \log p_i$$

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Quantum mutual information

$$\begin{split} I(\rho_{\rm S}) &= S(\rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm A}) + S(\rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm B}) - S(\rho_{\rm S}) \\ \hline & & & \\ \\ \text{Reduced density} \\ \rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm A} &= \mathrm{Tr}_{\rm B}(\rho_{\rm S}), \quad \rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm B} = \mathrm{Tr}_{\rm A}(\rho_{\rm S}) \end{split}$$

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$$I(\rho_{\rm S}) = S(\rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm A}) + S(\rho_{\rm S}|_{\rm B}) - S(\rho_{\rm S}) = 2\log 2$$

Maximally entangled states

For any uncorrelated state $\,
ho_{
m S}\,=\,
ho_{
m S}|_{
m A}\otimes
ho_{
m S}|_{
m B}\,$ we have $\,I(
ho_S)=0$

Quantum Dynamics

General time evaluation of a quantum system

Completely positive, trace-preserving (CPT) maps or Kraus maps

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}}: \rho_{\mathrm{S}} \mapsto \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}}(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}) = \sum_{i} K_{i} \rho_{\mathrm{S}} K_{i}^{\dagger}$$

with a set of Kraus operators $\sum_{i} K_{i}^{\dagger} K_{i} = \mathbb{1}_{\mathrm{S}}$

Closed system dynamics

System
$$\rho_{\rm S} \mapsto U_{\rm S} \, \rho_{\rm S} \, U_{\rm S}^{\dagger}$$

Open-system dynamics: dephasing channel



and delta-correlated noise

Open-system dynamics: dephasing channel

$$\rho(t) = \int |\psi(t)\rangle \langle \psi(t)| P(B) dB =$$

= $|\alpha|^2 |0\rangle \langle 0| + |\beta|^2 |1\rangle \langle 1| + e^{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma t} (\alpha \beta^* |0\rangle \langle 1| + \alpha^* \beta |1\rangle \langle 0|$

From the evaluation for an arbitrary single-qubit state $ho_{
m S}$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}}: \rho_{\mathrm{S}} \mapsto (1-p)\rho_{\mathrm{S}} + pZ\rho_{\mathrm{S}}Z$$

we identify the Kraus map

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}} : \rho_{\mathrm{S}} \mapsto \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}}(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}) = \sum_{i} K_{i} \rho_{\mathrm{S}} K_{i}^{\dagger} \qquad \sum_{i} K_{i}^{\dagger} K_{i} = \mathbb{1}_{\mathrm{S}}$$

Kraus operators $K_0 = \sqrt{1-p} \mathbb{1}$ and $K_1 = \sqrt{pZ}$

with
$$p = \frac{1}{2}(1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}\gamma t})$$

Open-system dynamics: dephasing channel



$$p \simeq \frac{1}{4}\gamma(\Delta t)$$

one recovers the quantum master equation in Lindblad form

$$\dot{\rho} \simeq \frac{\rho(t + \Delta t) - \rho(t)}{\Delta t} = \frac{\gamma}{4} (Z\rho Z^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2} \{\rho, Z^{\dagger} Z\})$$

Correlated quantum dynamics

Focus on bi-partite systems

 $\dim(\mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{A}}) = \dim(\mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{B}}) = d$



Example: 2-qubit entangling gate $\text{CNOT} = |0\rangle \langle 0|_{A} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{B} + |1\rangle \langle 1|_{A} \otimes X_{B}$





Outputs a (maximally) \Rightarrow Correlated quantum dynamics

Correlated quantum dynamics

Spatially correlated, global dephasing on an N-qubit register $\mathcal{E}_{ ext{S}}
eq \otimes_k \mathcal{E}_k$

Test state
$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \bigotimes_k |+\rangle_k$$

... will build up correlations under the correlated dynamics $\mathcal{E}_{\rm S}$

There are highly correlated quantum processes that do not create correlations

 $U_{\rm SWAP}(\rho\otimes\sigma)U_{\rm SWAP}^{\dagger}=\sigma\otimes\rho$

 $H_G(t) = \frac{1}{2} B(t) \sum Z_k$



Real particle exchange, correlated hopping



e.g melting & re-crystalisation of ion Coulomb crystals

Rigorous quantification of correlations in quantum dynamics

Basic idea



Choi-Jamiołkowski Isomorphism (1972)



Man-Duen Choi

Andrzej Jamiołkowski

Choi-Jamiołkowski Isomorphism

Example: Single-qubit dephasing channel



 $\rho_{\rm S}^{\rm CJ} := \mathcal{E}_{\rm S} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\rm S'} (|\Phi_{\rm SS'}\rangle \langle \Phi_{\rm SS'}|)$ $= \frac{1}{2} \Big(|00\rangle \langle 00|_{\rm SS'} + |11\rangle \langle 11|_{\rm SS'} \Big) + \frac{1}{2} (1-2p) \Big(|00\rangle \langle 11|_{\rm SS'} + |11\rangle \langle 00|_{\rm SS'} \Big)$

Construction of the correlation measure

Resource-theory approach: Correlations as a resource

Correlated dynamics = resource to perform whatever task which can't be implemented solely by (composing) uncorrelated dynamics $\mathcal{E}_A \otimes \mathcal{E}_B$

Fundamental law of the resource theory

The amount of correlations of some dynamics does not increase under composition with uncorrelated dynamics $\mathcal{E}'_{S} = (\mathcal{L}_{A} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{B})\mathcal{E}_{S}(\mathcal{R}_{A} \otimes \mathcal{R}_{B})$



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Good Quantifier:
$$\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{E}) \geq \mathcal{I}(\mathcal{E}')$$
 partial order

*L. Li, K. Bu and Z.-W. Liu, Quantifying the resource content of quantum channels: An operational approach, arXiv:1812.02572 *Y. Liu and X. Yuan, Operational Resource Theory of Quantum Channels, arXiv:1904.02680 *Z.-W. Liu and A. Winter, Resource theories of quantum channels and the universal role of resource erasure, arXiv:1904.04201.

Resource theory of entanglement

Entanglement as a resource ...



Correlation measure for dynamics



Maximally entangled state: $|\Phi_{\mathrm{SS}'}\rangle := \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^{d^2} |jj\rangle_{\mathrm{SS}'} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{k \ \ell=1}^d |k\ell\rangle_{\mathrm{AB}} \otimes |k\ell\rangle_{\mathrm{A'B'}} \qquad \rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}} := \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\mathrm{S}'} \left(|\Phi_{\mathrm{SS}'}\rangle \langle \Phi_{\mathrm{SS}'} | \right)$

Choi-Jamiołkowski state

Correlation measure for dynamics



Normalised quantum mutual information of the Choi-Jamiołkowski state:

$$\bar{I}(\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}}) := \frac{I(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}})}{4\log d} := \frac{1}{4\log d} \left(S\left(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}|_{\mathrm{AA'}}\right) + S\left(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}|_{\mathrm{BB'}}\right) - S\left(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}\right) \right)$$

with $\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}|_{\mathrm{AA'}} := \mathrm{Tr}_{\mathrm{BB'}}(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}})$ and $\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}|_{\mathrm{BB'}} := \mathrm{Tr}_{\mathrm{AA'}}(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}})$

Quantifying Correlations in Dynamics

Properties of the quantifier $\bar{I}(\mathcal{E}) := \frac{1}{4 \log d} I(\rho^{\text{CJ}})$

 \mathbf{V} Normalisation: $\overline{I}(\mathcal{E}) \in [0,1]$

 $I(\rho_{\rm S}^{\rm CJ}) = 2 \log d^2$ maximal for a maximally entangled state w/ respect to partition AA'|BB'

Markov Fundamental Law:

$$\overline{I}(\mathcal{E}) \geq \overline{I}[(\mathcal{L}_{A} \otimes \mathcal{L}_{B})\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{R}_{A} \otimes \mathcal{R}_{B})]$$

 \hookrightarrow = for local unitaries $U_A \otimes U_B$

Two copies of the quantum system needed?

No... mathematical construction only.



Reconstruction of $\mathcal{E}_{\rm S}$ Via quantum process tomography



Equivalent to a quantum state tomography on $\rho_{\rm S}^{\rm CJ}$



Example: N-qubit-system S $d = 2^N \implies 4^N(4^N - 1)$ real parameters N=1: 12, N=2: 240, N=3: 4032, ...

Maximally Correlated Dynamics

Resource theory approach

Maximally correlated dynamics cannot be obtained by composing some dynamical map with uncorrelated dynamics



Maximally Correlated Dynamics

Characterization of $\bar{I}(\mathcal{E}_{\max}) = 1$

$$\bar{I}(\mathcal{E}) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\rho) = U\rho U^{\dagger}, \quad UU^{\dagger} = \mathbb{1}$$
$$\mathcal{E}_{S} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{S'} \left(|\Phi_{SS'}\rangle \langle \Phi_{SS'}| \right) = |\Psi_{(AA')|(BB')}\rangle \langle \Psi_{(AA')|(BB')}|$$

Example: $\overline{I}(U_{SWAP}) = 1$ despite the fact that it does not create correlations!



(Non-)Maximally Correlated Dynamics



Physical Application: Superradiance

Two two-level atoms radiating in the EM vacuum

Details in the lecture notes

First Application: Superradiance

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Second application: Noise characterisation in a quantum computer

Courtesy: Innsbruck ion-trap group

Innsbruck linear ion-trap lab

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Vacuum chamber

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lons confined in a string by a Paul trap

Ion Coulomb crystals

- Charged particles can't be trapped by static electric fields only (Earnshaw's theorem).
- Solution: Effective confinement by combining static and oscillating electric fields.



Mechanical analog Friday, April 3, 2009

Loading your desired number of ions



Universität Innsbruck

The qubit register

Simplified electronic level scheme





Physical qubits are encoded in (meta-)stable electronic states

Single-qubit gate operations

Simplified electronic level scheme





Single-qubit quantum gates

can be realised by tightly focused, near-resonant laser beams applied to individual ions



Entangling gate operations

laser pulses

Key idea:

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- Use collective vibrational modes (phonons) as a quantum information bus
- Lasers pulses that couple electronic (qubit) states of different ions to the collective vibrational modes can mediate entangling interactions between two or more qubits
- Two- or multi-ion entangling gates + arbitrary single-qubit rotations = universal set of quantum gates

... fidelity > 99.3 % or higher for 2 qubits, e.g. Benhelm *et al.* Nat. Phys. **4**, 463 (2008) ... 14-qubit entanglement, T. Monz *et al.* PRL **106**,130506 (2011) entanglement in a 20-qubit register. Eriis *et al.* Phys. Rev. X **8**, 021012 (2018)

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Measurement of the qubit register



Working principle

Readout / measurement of qubits: Quantum states can be discriminated via **laser-induced fluorescence** light, recorded by a CCD camera

- Electron in $|1\rangle$ is excited to the P-state, decays quickly, under an emission of a photon, excited again... "cycling transition"
 - Electron in $|0\rangle$ does not couple to the laser light.



Quantum state and process reconstruction



Example: 2 ions

Collect fluorescence with CCD camera (picture) Repeat 100-200 times

Measurement of populations in $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$



Example, repeat 100 times:







How do we know which state we have? Rotate qubits before the measurement

 reconstruction of quantum states and dynamics ("state and process tomography")

Characterisation of noise correlations in a real quantum computer



Usual preferred choice: 'clock qubit' (First-order insensitive to magnetic field fluctuations)



Qubit i accumulates phase

$$\phi_i(t) = \int_0^t d\tau B(\tau) \mu_b g_i$$

Time evolution of a single implementation

$$U(\phi_1) = \exp\left(-i\phi_1(\sigma_1^z + g\sigma_2^z)\right)$$

with the ratio of the Landé factors $g=g_2/g_1$



Decoherence-free subspaces

 $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$

 $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$

 $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

 $\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$



Decoherence-free subspaces



Entanglement-based magnetometry in a trapped-ion quantum computer



Entanglement-based magnetometry



Bell state as sensor $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|1\rangle|0\rangle+|0\rangle|1\rangle)$

magn. field inhomogeneities

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1\rangle|0\rangle + e^{i\phi}|1\rangle|0\rangle)$$

T. Ruster, et al., Phys. Rev. X 7, 031050 (2017)

Entanglement-based magnetometry



Correlated Dynamics in Multipartite Setting

Several parties



$$\bar{I}(\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{S}}) := \frac{1}{2M \log d} \left\{ \left[\sum_{i=1}^{M} S(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}|_{\mathrm{S}_{i}\mathrm{S}'_{i}}) \right] - S(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}) \right\}$$

with
$$\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}}|_{\mathrm{S}_{i}\mathrm{S}'_{i}} = \mathrm{Tr}_{\{\forall \mathrm{S}_{j\neq i}\mathrm{S}'_{j\neq i}\}}(\rho_{\mathrm{S}}^{\mathrm{CJ}})$$

Lower Bound Estimation

The exact experimental determination of *I* becomes impractical as the number of systems increases



$$\overline{I}(\mathcal{E}) \geq \frac{1}{4M \ln d} \frac{C_{\mathcal{E}(\rho)}^2(X_1, \dots, X_M)}{\|X_1\|^2 \dots \|X_M\|^2}, \quad \rho = \bigotimes_{i=1}^M \rho_i$$
Operator norm

 $C^2_{\mathcal{E}(\rho)}(X_1,\ldots,X_M) = \langle X_1\ldots X_M \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(\rho)} - \langle X_1 \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(\rho)} \ldots \langle X_M \rangle_{\mathcal{E}(\rho)}$

Vision of scalable quantum computers



Couple linear traps to build larger 2D trap arrays as scalable qubit registers

Vision of scalable quantum computers



Understanding and mitigating correlated noise, and quantum error correction will be crucial W. Hensinger group University of Sussex



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Experimental quantification of spatial correlations in quantum dynamics

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