

Spin-squeezing inequalities for entanglement detection in cold gases

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Why spin squeezing inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ is important?

- Many experiments are aiming to create entangled states with **many atoms**.
- Only collective quantities can be measured.
- Most experiments use atoms with $j > \frac{1}{2}$.

Articles reviewed in this talk

- Simple entanglement conditions for singlets
GT PRA 2004
GT, M.W. Mitchell NJP 2010 (Singlets in cold gases)
- Complete set of inequalities for spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles
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- Complete set of inequalities for spin- j particles
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Physical systems

State-of-the-art in experiments

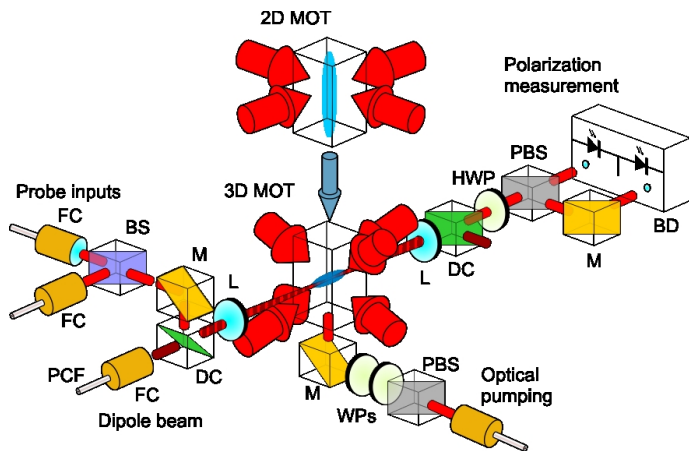
- 100,000 atoms realizing an array of 1D Ising spin chains (Nature, 2003)
- Spin squeezing with $10^6 - 10^{12}$ atoms (Nature, 2001)

Main challenge

- The particles cannot be addressed individually.
- Only collective quantities can be measured.
- New type of entangled states and entanglement criteria are needed.

Physical systems II

For example: Spin squeezing in a cold atomic ensemble



Picture from M.W. Mitchell, ICFO, Barcelona.

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Entanglement

Definition

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

$$\sum_k p_k \varrho_1^{(k)} \otimes \varrho_2^{(k)} \otimes \dots \otimes \varrho_N^{(k)}.$$

If a state is not fully separable, then it is called **entangled**.

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Many-particle systems for $j=1/2$

- For spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles, we can measure the **collective angular momentum operators**:

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

where $l = x, y, z$ and $\sigma_l^{(k)}$ a Pauli spin matrices.

- We can also measure the **variances**

$$(\Delta J_l)^2 := \langle J_l^2 \rangle - \langle J_l \rangle^2.$$

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The standard spin-squeezing criterion

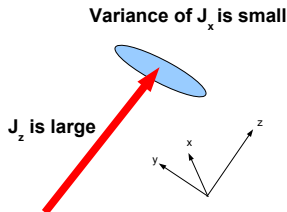
- The **spin squeezing criteria for entanglement detection** is

$$\frac{(\Delta J_x)^2}{\langle J_y \rangle^2 + \langle J_z \rangle^2} \geq \frac{1}{N}.$$

- If it is violated then the state is entangled.

[A. Sørensen, L.M. Duan, J.I. Cirac, P. Zoller, Nature 409, 63 (2001).]

- States violating it are like this:



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The inequality with three variances

- For separable states we have

$$(\Delta J_x)^2 + (\Delta J_y)^2 + (\Delta J_z)^2 \geq Nj.$$

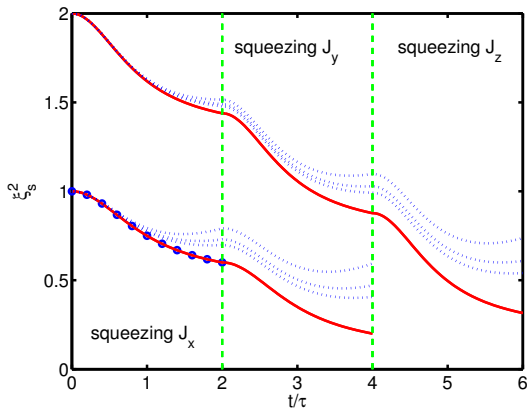
Any state that violates the above criterion is entangled.

[GT, Phys. Rev. A 69, 052327 (2004).]

- The left-hand side is zero for the multi-particle singlet.
- Experimental tests:
 - Photons: T.Sh. Iskhakov, I.N. Agafonov, M.V. Chekhova, G. Leuchs, PhysRevLett. 109 150502 (2012).
 - Fermions: J. Meineke, J.-P. Brantut, D. Stadler, T. Müller, H. Moritz, T. Esslinger, Nature Phys. 8, 455 (2012).

The inequality with three variances II

- Cold gas experiment proposal.
[GT, M.W. Mitchell, *New J. Phys.* 12, 053007 (2010).]



- Experiments have been carried out by the Mitchell group at ICFO, Barcelona.

The inequality with three variances III

- The collective variances can be expressed with susceptibilities. We need
 - Thermal equilibrium,
 - Hamiltonians respecting certain symmetries.

[M. Wieśniak, V. Vedral, and Č. Brukner, *New J. Phys.* 7 258 (2005).]

- It is possible to obtain temperature limits for entanglement for real systems. For example, see
 - I. Bose and A. Tribedi, *Phys. Rev. A* 72, 022314 (2005),
 - T. Vértesi and E. Bene, *Phys. Rev. B* 73, 134404 (2006).

The inequality with three variances IV

- In the isotropic case, appears also in the structure factor based entanglement conditions.

[O. Marty, M. Epping, H. Kampermann, D. Bruss, M.B. Plenio, and M. Cramer, arXiv:1310.0929.]

- Important property: it can detect bound entangled states that have a positive partial transpose.

[GT, C. Knapp, O. Gühne, and H.J. Briegel, PRL 99, 250405 (2007);

GT, C. Knapp, O. Gühne, and H.J. Briegel, Phys. Rev. A 79, 042334 (2009).]

The inequality with three variances V

- What does the amount of violation mean?
- It can be used to get a lower bound on the number of spins unentangled with the rest.
- For states of the form

$$\otimes_{n=1}^M |\Psi_n\rangle \otimes |\Psi_{N-M}\rangle$$

we have

$$(\Delta J_x)^2 + (\Delta J_y)^2 + (\Delta J_z)^2 \geq Mj.$$

- For states that are the mixtures of pure states with at least M unentangled spins we have the same constraint.

[GT, M.W. Mitchell, *New J. Phys.* 12, 053007 (2010)]

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Generalized spin squeezing criteria for $j = \frac{1}{2}$

- Let us assume that for a system we know only

$$\vec{J} := (\langle J_x \rangle, \langle J_y \rangle, \langle J_z \rangle),$$

$$\vec{K} := (\langle J_x^2 \rangle, \langle J_y^2 \rangle, \langle J_z^2 \rangle).$$

- Then any state violating the following inequalities is **entangled**.

$$\langle J_x^2 \rangle + \langle J_y^2 \rangle + \langle J_z^2 \rangle \leq \frac{N(N+2)}{4},$$

$$(\Delta J_x)^2 + (\Delta J_y)^2 + (\Delta J_z)^2 \geq \frac{N}{2},$$

$$\langle J_k^2 \rangle + \langle J_l^2 \rangle \leq (N-1)(\Delta J_m)^2 + \frac{N}{2},$$

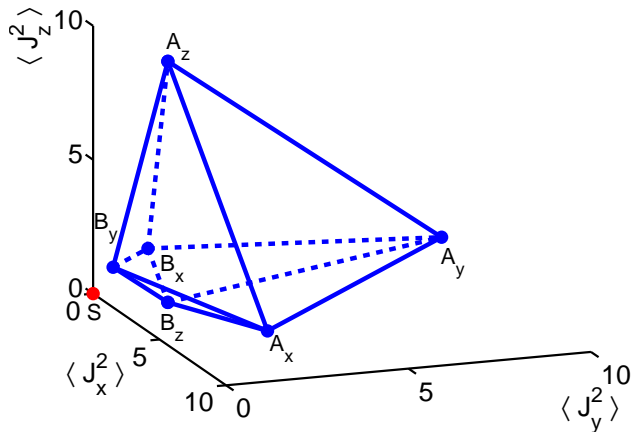
$$(N-1) \left[(\Delta J_k)^2 + (\Delta J_l)^2 \right] \geq \langle J_m^2 \rangle + \frac{N(N-2)}{4},$$

where k, l, m take all the possible permutations of x, y, z .

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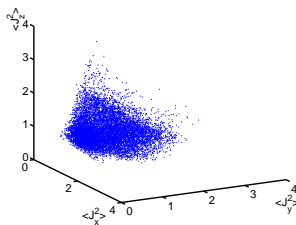
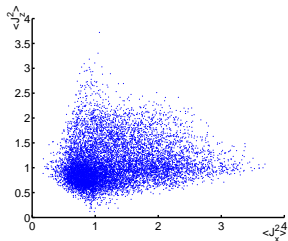
Generalized spin squeezing criteria for $j = \frac{1}{2}$

- The previous inequalities, for fixed $\langle J_{x/y/z} \rangle$, describe a polytope in the $\langle J_{x/y/z}^2 \rangle$ space.
- For $\langle \vec{J} \rangle = 0$ and $N = 6$ the polytope is the following:



Completeness

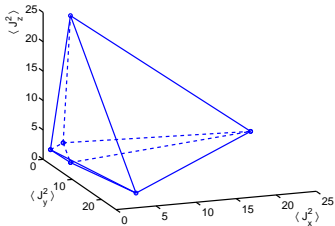
- Random separable states:



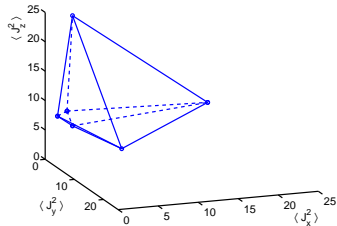
- The **completeness** can be proved for large N .

Completeness II

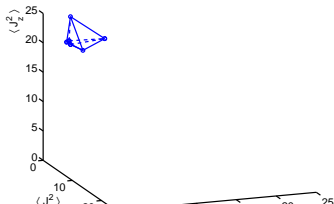
The polytope for $N = 10$ and $J = (0, 0, 0)$,



$J = (0, 0, 2.5)$,



and $J = (0, 0, 4.5)$.



Completeness III

- Experimental tests: on-going experiments in the group of Carsten Klempt (Hannover) to detect Dicke states in cold gases.
- Other uses: one can obtain analytically

$$\min_{\Psi \text{ separable}} \sum_{\alpha=x,y,z} m_{\alpha} (\Delta J_{\alpha})^2 \quad (2)$$

appearing in structure factor based entanglement detection.

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“Modified” quantities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$

- For the $j = \frac{1}{2}$ case, the SSIs were developed based on the first and second moments and variances of the such collective operators.
- For the $j > \frac{1}{2}$ case, we define the **modified second moment**

$$\langle \tilde{J}_k^2 \rangle := \langle J_k^2 \rangle - \langle \sum_n (j_k^{(n)})^2 \rangle = \sum_{m \neq n} \langle j_k^{(n)} j_k^{(m)} \rangle$$

and the **modified variance**

$$(\tilde{\Delta} J_k)^2 := (\Delta J_k)^2 - \langle \sum_n (j_k^{(n)})^2 \rangle.$$

- These are essential to get tight equations for $j > \frac{1}{2}$.

The inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ with the angular momentum coordinates

- For fully separable states of spin- j particles, all the following inequalities are fulfilled

$$\begin{aligned}\langle J_x^2 \rangle + \langle J_y^2 \rangle + \langle J_z^2 \rangle &\leq Nj(Nj + 1), \\ (\Delta J_x)^2 + (\Delta J_y)^2 + (\Delta J_z)^2 &\geq Nj, \\ \langle \tilde{J}_k^2 \rangle + \langle \tilde{J}_l^2 \rangle - N(N-1)j^2 &\leq (N-1)(\tilde{\Delta} J_m)^2, \\ (N-1) [(\tilde{\Delta} J_k)^2 + (\tilde{\Delta} J_l)^2] &\geq \langle \tilde{J}_m^2 \rangle - N(N-1)j^2,\end{aligned}$$

where k, l, m take all possible permutations of x, y, z .

- Violation of any of the inequalities implies entanglement.

Completeness

- In the large N limit, the inequalities with the angular momentum are **complete**.
- It is not possible to find new entanglement conditions based on $\langle J_k \rangle$ and $\langle \tilde{J}_k^2 \rangle$ that detect more states.

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The usual spin squeezing inequality for $j > \frac{1}{2}$

- The standard spin-squeezing inequality becomes

$$\frac{(\Delta J_x)^2}{\langle J_y \rangle^2 + \langle J_z \rangle^2} + \frac{\sum_n (j^2 - \langle (j_x^{(n)})^2 \rangle)}{\langle J_y \rangle^2 + \langle J_z \rangle^2} \geq \frac{1}{N}.$$

Violated only if there is entanglement between the spin- j particles.

- The second term on the LHS is nonnegative.

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The inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ with the G_k 's

- Collective operators:

$$G_l := \sum_{k=1}^N g_l^{(k)},$$

where $l = 1, 2, \dots, d^2 - 1$ and $g_l^{(k)}$ are the SU(d) generators.

- We can also measure the

$$(\Delta G_l)^2 := \langle G_l^2 \rangle - \langle G_l \rangle^2$$

variances.

The inequalities for $j > \frac{1}{2}$ with the G_k 's

- The SSIs for G_k have the general form

$$(N-1) \sum_{k \in I} (\tilde{\Delta} G_k)^2 - \sum_{k \notin I} \langle (\tilde{G}_k)^2 \rangle \geq -2N(N-1) \frac{(d-1)}{d}.$$

- For instance, for the $d = 3$ case, the $SU(d)$ generators can be the eight Gell-Mann matrices.
- I is a subset of indices between 1 and M . We have 2^M equations!

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An example: The criterion for SU(d) singlets

A condition for two-producibility (i.e., a higher form of entanglement) for N qudits of dimension d is

$$\sum_k (\Delta G_k)^2 \geq 2N(d-2).$$

A condition for separability is

$$\sum_k (\Delta G_k)^2 \geq 2N(d-1).$$

[G. Vitagliano, P. Hyllus, I.L. Egusquiza, and G. Tóth,
Spin squeezing inequalities for arbitrary spin, PRL 2011.]

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- Topics

- Multipartite entanglement and its detection
- Metrology, cold gases
- Collaborating on experiments:
 - Weinfurter group, Munich, (photons)
 - Mitchell group, Barcelona, (cold gases)

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Summary

- Full set of generalized spin squeezing inequalities with J_l with $l = x, y, z$ for $j > \frac{1}{2}$.
- Large set of inequalities with the other collective operators.
- These might make possible new experiments and make existing experiments simpler.

See: G. Vitagliano, P. Hyllus, I.L. Egusquiza, and G. Tóth, Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 240502 (2011) + arxiv:1310.2269.

See www.gtoth.eu for the slides

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