Physical limits for quantum gates with ions



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Gaussian entanglement and symmetry graphs



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Multiparticle entanglement

1. Shareability: (Wootters/Schumacher)

A o If A is very entangled with B, then it is weakly entangled with C. $|\Psi\rangle_{ABC} = |\phi^{-}\rangle_{AB} |0\rangle_{C}$

Co oB To increase the entanglement AC one has to decreases that of AB.

 $|\Psi\rangle_{ABC} = |001\rangle + |010\rangle + |100\rangle$ (Dür, Vidal and Cirac)

One may consider more particles and different configurations:



II. Entanglement in quantum statistical models: (Nielsen, Fazio, Vedral, Vidal, Korepin)



$$H = U\sum_{n} A_{n} \otimes A_{n+1} + t\sum B_{n}$$

Entanglement between two particles: $E_{i,j}(t,U,T) = E_F \left[Tr_{(i,j)} \left(e^{-H/T} \right) \right]$

Which is the Hamiltonian for which this entanglement is maximal (at T=0)?

This talk: Gaussian states







• Consider a undirected simple graph with N vertices.

Adjacency matrix A: $\begin{cases} A_{k,l} = 1 & \text{if } k, l \text{ are connected} \\ A_{k,l} = 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Symmetry of the graph: automorphism group $G = \{g \mid A = gAg^{-1}\} \subseteq S_N$

• Consider two points, k,l, such that for some

 $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$



All pairs

We determine the Gaussian state, invariant under G, which maximizes EoF for (k,l) Ψ gaussian with $T_g |\Psi\rangle = |\Psi\rangle$, such that $E_F \left[\operatorname{Tr}_{(k,l)} \left(|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| \right) \right]$ is maximal

 $g \in G$, g(k) = l and g(l) = k

• Gaussian states:



 $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ is Gaussian if it can be written as:

 $\rho = k e^{-Q(X_n, P_n)}$

 $Q \ge 0$ is a polynomial of degree 2



1. Build a Hamiltonian

 $H = \sum_{g \in G} T_g \left[(x_k - x_l)^2 + (p_k + p_l)^2 \right] T_g^{\dagger}$ 2. Determine ground state Ψ 3. Determine ground state energy E_0 . $\blacksquare E_F = f(E_0)$

Everything can be easily determined starting from the Adjacency matrix A.

• Extensions:

- General group (including undirected graphs, etc) if Index(k,k) = Index(k,l)

add $g \in G$, g(k) = l and g(l) = k



Examples

1. Platonic solids:











Platonic Solid	EoF x 100	N adjacent	N nodes
Tetrahedron	19.74	3	4
Cube	19.74	3	8
Dodecahedron	11.12	3	20
Octahedron	10.75	4	6
Icosahedron	5.37	5	12

Tendencies:

- E decreases with the number of adjacent nodes.
- E decreases with the total number of nodes.
- E is suppressed in loops with an odd number of nodes.

II. Infinite lattices:









Lattice	EoF x 100	N adjacent
Hexagonal (2d)	10.61	3
Square (2d)	6.31	4
Trigonal (2d)	2.69	6
Cubic (3d)	2.62	6

Tendencies:

• E decreases with the number of adjacent nodes.





Separation



Key points of the derivation

1. Entanglement of formation of symmetric Gaussian states:

(Giedke, Wolf, Krüger, Werner and Cirac)

 $A \rho B$ Gaussian $Covariant matrix \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} n & 0 & k_x & 0 \\ 0 & n & 0 & -k_p \\ k_x & 0 & m & 0 \\ 0 & -k_p & 0 & m \end{pmatrix}$

Symmetric Gaussian states: m = n

 $E_F(\rho) = f(\Delta)$

with $\Delta = \sqrt{(n - k_x)(n - k_p)}$ and $f(\Delta)$ a monotonic function.

2. Express it in a linear form:

$$\Delta(\rho) = \inf_{s>0} \operatorname{Tr}\left[\gamma\left(sX + \frac{1}{s}P\right)\right]$$

3. Optimization problem:

$$\Delta_{i,j} = \sup_{\Psi \to \gamma_{i,j}} \inf_{s>0} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\gamma_{i,j} \left(sX + \frac{1}{s}P \right) \right] \quad \text{with } \Psi \text{ invariant under G}$$

4. Use symmetry:

$$\Delta_{i,j} = \sup_{\Gamma} \inf_{s>0} \operatorname{Tr}\left[\Gamma\left(sH_X + \frac{1}{s}H_P\right)\right]$$

where
$$H_X = \sum_{g \in G} T_g (X \oplus 0) T_g$$

5. Algebra + properties of covariant matrices:

 $\Delta_{i,j} = \inf_{\Psi} \langle \Psi \,|\, H \,|\, \Psi \rangle$

where H is a Hamiltonian of harmonic osc. which are coupled according to the graph.

2. Limits on gates for trapped ions

Quantum information processing with trapped ions:



- Internal states manipulated with lasers.
- Two-qubit gates by exciting motional states.
- Difficult to scale-up.

Scalable proposals





⁽Wineland and col, Nature 2001)

Two-qubit gates

- Most of the errors occur during two-qubit quantum gates.
- We would like to design the most efficient quantum gates.
- One just has consider two ions in a trap.



Current proposals: limitations

(Molmer and Sorensen, Plenio, Monroe, Milburn and James, Leibfried and Wineland, Cirac and Zoller,...)

Time: $vT \gg 1$ (tipically, of the order of 100 to achieve F=0.99).

Addressability: Different lasers acting on different ions.

Low temperatures: $\eta \sqrt{N+1} \ll 1$

New scheme based on a different concept

- No time limitation by the trap frequency.
- Insensitive to temperture:
- No addressability:

Idea:



- Use on-resonant lasers to kick the atoms **No** spectroscopic limitations.
- Laser pulses must be short, and come from two different directions:

Limitation is laser control

Basic principle (with one ion):

(i) Use lasers to kick both ions.



Kick depends on the internal state of the ion and laser direction.

 $|g\rangle | \text{mot}\rangle \xrightarrow{(1,2)} |g\rangle e^{2ikx_1} | \text{mot}\rangle$ $|e\rangle | \text{mot}\rangle \xrightarrow{(1,2)} |e\rangle e^{-2ikx_1} | \text{mot}\rangle$

(ii) Free evolution in the harmonic trap.





- We return to the initial state.
- The wavefunction acquires a phase.

 $\phi = A$

- Can be made independent of the initial coherent state.
- The phase is also independent.

if
$$\sum_{k=1}^{N} n_k e^{i\theta_k} = 0$$
 then $|\alpha\rangle \to e^{i\phi} |\alpha e^{-i\nu t}\rangle$

The angle ϕ depends on the path.

The path depends on the initial state.



With two ions



• For any chosen time T, it is always possible to find a sequence of pulses.

There is not limitation by the trap frequency!

- Completely independent of the motional state (no LDL restriction).
- No addressability.
- The number of required pulses increases if the time decreases.

$$\sim \frac{8}{\left(\nu T\right)^{3/2}}$$

 N_{p}

- Limitations:
 - Length of the laser pulses.
 - Laser stability.

Conclusions

Entanglement of Gaussian states



- Solved the problem of shareability for arbitrary graphs.
- Connection with quantum statistics: ground state of a symmetric Hamiltonian.

New concepts for quantum gates with ions



- -No limitation by trap frequency.
- New scheme:
 - New concept (resonant interaction).
 - Fast (not limited by trap frequency).
 - Robust (arbitrary temperatures).
 - Simple (no addressability).