

# Local Quantum Uncertainty and Bound on Quantumness for orthogonally invariant class of states

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- The situation in multipartite case is more complex than that of bipartite case. e.g., how could we define a measure of entanglement for multipartite states at least for pure states are concerned. It is also very difficult to define maximally entangled states in multipartite systems.

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- So one has to think how to define maximally entangled states for such situations. Gour and others have defined maximally entangled states in 4-qubit system considering some operational interpretation. A possible way: the average bipartite entanglement w.r.t. all possible bipartite cuts the state is maximal.

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- The above quantity is a measure of non-classical correlation. It has zero value if and only if there exists a Von Neumann-measurement  $\Pi_j = |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|$  such that the bipartite state  $\rho = \Pi_j \otimes I \rho \Pi_j \otimes I$ .

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- Exact analytical formula for geometric discord is also available for only a few class of states. A tight lower bound is found recently.

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**How to measure this uncertainty?**  
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For this we need to build a measure and which does not affected by *classical mixing*.

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- 2 For a quantum state  $\rho$ , an observable is called *quantum certain* if the error in measurement of the observable is due to only the ignorance about the classical mixing in  $\rho$ . A good quantifier of this uncertainty is the skew information.

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It quantifies non-commutativity between a quantum state and an observable so it serves as a measure of uncertainty of the observable  $K$  in the state  $\rho$ . This type of measure helps to quantify the quantum part of error in measuring an observable.  $I = 0$  indicates quantum certain nature of the observable  $K$ . It is also convex and *non-increasing under classical mixing*. It has a nice property that  $I(\rho, K) \leq \text{Var}(\rho, K)$ .

# Local Quantum Uncertainty

For a bipartite quantum state  $\rho_{AB}$ , Girolami *et.al.* (Phys. Rev. Lett. **110**, 240402 (2013)) introduced the concept of local quantum uncertainty(LQU) and it is defined as

$$\mathcal{U}_A^\Lambda := \min_{K^\Lambda} I(\rho_{AB}, K^\Lambda)$$

The minimization is performed over all local *maximally informative observable* (or non-degenerate spectrum  $\Lambda$ )  $K^\Lambda = K_A^\Lambda \otimes \mathbb{I}$ . This quantity quantifies the minimum amount of uncertainty in a quantum state. Non-zero value of this quantity indicates the non existence of any quantum certain observable for the state  $\rho_{AB}$ .

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- For a quantum state  $\rho$  of  $2 \otimes n$  system, LQU reduces to  $1 - \lambda_{\max}(\mathcal{W})$  where  $\lambda_{\max}$  is the maximum eigenvalue of the matrix  $\mathcal{W} = (w_{ij})_{3 \times 3}$ ,  $w_{ij} = \text{tr}\{\sqrt{\rho}(\sigma_i \otimes \mathbb{I})\sqrt{\rho}(\sigma_j \otimes \mathbb{I})\}$  and  $\sigma_i$ 's are standard Pauli matrices in this case.
- Geometrically, LQU in a state  $\rho$  of a  $2 \times n$  system is the minimum Hellinger distance between  $\rho$  and the state after a least disturbing root-of-unity local unitary operation applied on the qubit.

# Orthogonal Invariant State

Any  $\mathcal{O} \otimes \mathcal{O}$  invariant state from a  $n \times n$  system can be taken as

$$\rho = a \mathbb{I}_{n^2} + b \mathbb{F} + c \hat{\mathbb{F}}$$

with  $n(na + b + c) = 1$  (trace condition) and proper positivity constraints.  $\mathbb{I}$  is the identity operator,  $\mathbb{F}$  is the flip operator and  $\hat{\mathbb{F}}$  is the projection on maximally entangled state.

The operators satisfy the algebra  $\mathbb{F}^2 = \mathbb{I}$ ,  $\mathbb{F}\hat{\mathbb{F}} = \hat{\mathbb{F}}\mathbb{F} = \hat{\mathbb{F}}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbb{F}}^2 = n\hat{\mathbb{F}}$ ,  $n$  is the dimension of each subsystem.

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We can define three orthogonal projectors  $U$ ,  $V$  and  $W$  as,

$$\begin{aligned} U &= \hat{\mathbb{F}}/n \\ V &= (\mathbb{I}_{n^2} - \mathbb{F})/2 \\ W &= (\mathbb{I}_{n^2} + \mathbb{F})/2 - \hat{\mathbb{F}}/n \end{aligned}$$

# Orthogonal Invariant State

In terms of this orthogonal basis,  $\rho$  can be expressed as,

$$\rho = \frac{\hat{f}}{n}U + \frac{1-f}{n(n-1)}V + \frac{n+nf-2\hat{f}}{n(n-1)(n+2)}W$$

The old parameters  $a, b, c$  are connected to the new ones  $f, \hat{f}$  by the relation,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ f \\ \hat{f} \end{pmatrix} = n \begin{pmatrix} n & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & n & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$$

In terms of the new parameters the positivity conditions on  $\rho$  reads,  $0 \leq \hat{f}, f \leq 1, \hat{f} \leq n(f+1)/2$

# Generators of SU(n)

We can construct traceless, orthogonal generators (*generalized Gell-Mann matrices*) for SU(n), containing  $n^2 - 1$  elements as:

$$\lambda_\alpha = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\alpha(\alpha+1)}} (\sum_{k=1}^{\alpha} |k\rangle\langle k| - \alpha|\alpha+1\rangle\langle\alpha+1|), \alpha = 1, \dots, n-1 \\ |k\rangle\langle m| + |m\rangle\langle k|, 1 \leq k < m \leq n, \alpha = n, \dots, \frac{n^2+n}{2} - 1 \\ i(|k\rangle\langle m| - |m\rangle\langle k|), 1 \leq k < m \leq n, \alpha = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, \dots, n^2 - 1 \end{cases}$$

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Among the  $(n^2 - 1)$  matrices, the first  $(n - 1)$  are mutually commutative, next  $(n^2 - 1)/2$  are symmetric and rest  $(n^2 - 1)/2$  are antisymmetric. The generators  $\lambda_\alpha$  satisfy the orthogonality relation  $\text{tr}(\lambda_\alpha \lambda_\beta) = 2\delta_{\alpha\beta}$ . The generators satisfy the following commutation and anti-commutation relations,

$$[\lambda_i, \lambda_j] = 2i \sum_k f_{ijk} \lambda_k$$
$$\{\lambda_i, \lambda_j\} = 2 \sum_k d_{ijk} \lambda_k + \frac{4}{n} \delta_{ij} \mathbb{I}_n$$

Hence

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with  $a_1, b_1, c_1$  are functions of  $f, \hat{f}$ .

# LQU for Fixed spectrum

Particularly we choose an class of non-degenerate A-observable  $K_A^\lambda = \mathbf{s} \cdot \lambda$  with  $\mathbf{s} = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n^2-1})$ ,  $|\mathbf{s}| = 1$  and  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{n^2-1})$ . We also want that this observable has following spectrum:  $\pm(n-1), (n-2), \dots, 0$  when  $n$  is even and  $\pm(n-2), (n-3), \dots, 1$  when  $n$  is odd. Hence,  $s_i$ 's also satisfy other functional relations to satisfy the spectrum condition. In this case

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}_A^\lambda(\rho) &= \min_{K^\lambda} I(\rho, K^\lambda) \\ &= \min_{K^\lambda} \{ \text{tr}(\rho(K^\lambda)^2) - \text{tr}(\sqrt{\rho}K^\lambda\sqrt{\rho}K^\lambda) \} \\ &= \min_{\mathbf{s}} \{ \text{tr}\{\rho(\mathbf{s} \cdot \lambda \otimes \mathbb{I}_n)^2\} - \text{tr}\{\sqrt{\rho}(\mathbf{s} \cdot \lambda \otimes \mathbb{I}_n)\sqrt{\rho}(\mathbf{s} \cdot \lambda \otimes \mathbb{I}_n)\} \} \end{aligned}$$

The maximum is over all  $\mathbf{s}$  with  $|\mathbf{s}| = 1$  and  $s_i$ 's also satisfies all necessary conditions to build the chosen spectrum.

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$$\mathcal{U}_A^\Lambda(\rho) = \frac{2}{n} - \lambda_{\max}(\mathcal{W})$$

The above result can work as a lower bound for the large class of states with  $\text{tr}(\rho\lambda_i \otimes \mathbb{I}_n) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n^2 - 1$

# Two Qutrit system

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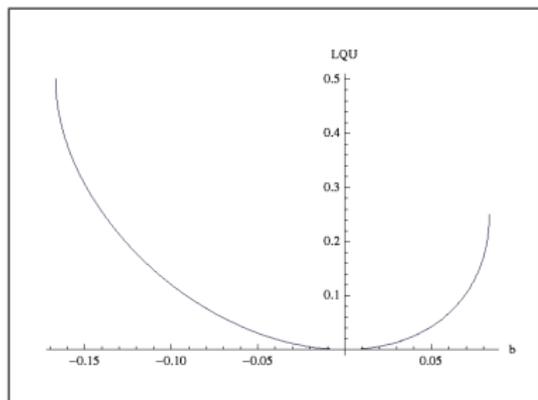
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For Werner ( $c = 0$ ) and Isotropic ( $b = 0$ ) class of states in two-qutrit system, the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{W}$  become all equal. Hence the explicit form of LQU are,

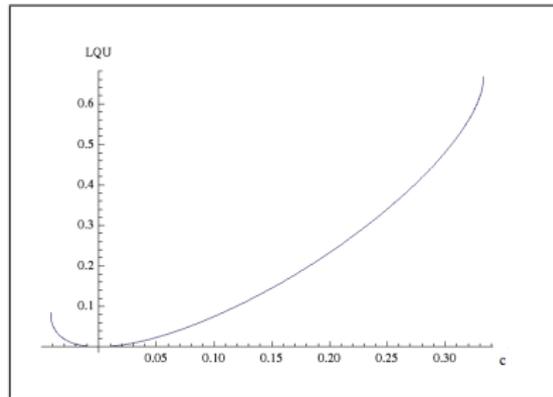
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{U}_A^\wedge(\rho^{wer}) &= \frac{1}{3}(1 - \sqrt{1 - 12b}\sqrt{1 + 6b}) - b \\ \mathcal{U}_A^\wedge(\rho^{iso}) &= \frac{4}{27}(1 - \sqrt{1 - 3c}\sqrt{1 + 24c}) + \frac{14}{9}c\end{aligned}$$

The results can be easily transferred in terms of  $f$  and  $\hat{f}$ .

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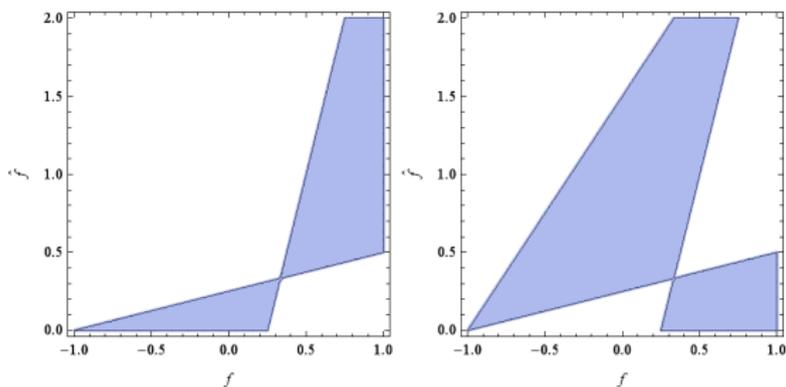


**Figure :** *LQU for Werner class of states in two-qutrit system for suitable parameter range of  $b$ . The class is obtained by putting  $c = 0$  in (12). The highest value of  $\mathcal{U}_A^\wedge$  reaches 0.5*



**Figure :** *LQU for Isotropic class of states in two-qutrit system for suitable range of the parameter  $c$ . The class is obtained by putting  $b = 0$  in (12). The highest value of  $\mathcal{U}_A^\wedge$  reaches 0.66 in this case.*

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**Figure :** Region plot in  $(f \hat{f})$ -plane of the eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{W}$  for two-qutrit orthogonal invariant class. Both the regions are enclosed by the constraints  $0 \leq \hat{f}, f \leq 1, \hat{f} \leq 3(f+1)/2$ . First figure shows the shaded region where  $b_1c_1 \geq 0$  and second one shows the shaded region where  $b_1c_1 < 0$ . Hence in the first region  $\mathcal{U}_A^\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} - 2(3a_1^2 + 2b_1c_1 + 2a_1b_1 + 2a_1c_1)$  and in the second  $\mathcal{U}_A^\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} - 2(3a_1^2 - 2b_1c_1 + 2a_1b_1 + 2a_1c_1)$

# A General Approach

We can consider  $d^2$  elements of  $SU(d)$  as

$$u_{nm} := \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i j n}{d}\right) |j\rangle \langle j \oplus m \bmod d|; \quad n, m = 0, \dots, d-1 \quad (1)$$

Now consider any general observable  $K = \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda}$  where  $\mathbf{\Lambda} = (\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{d-1})$  and  $\lambda_i$ 's are  $d$  diagonal matrices of order  $d^2$  with only single entry 1 at corresponding  $ii$ -th position.  $\lambda_i$ 's can be obtained from linear combination of  $u_{n0}$ 's. Hence

$$K = \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{\Lambda} = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} s_i \lambda_i = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} t_i u_{i0}; \quad t_i \text{'s are functions of } s_i \text{'s} \quad (2)$$

# A General Approach

For any unitarily connected observable with same spectrum,

$$\begin{aligned} VKV^\dagger &= t_0\mathbb{I} + \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} t_i \mathbf{K}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\Lambda}; \text{ where we take } Vu_{i0} V^\dagger = \mathbf{K}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \\ &= \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Lambda} + t_0\mathbb{I}; \text{ with } \mathbf{m} = \sum_i t_i \mathbf{K}_i \\ &= \|\mathbf{m}\| \hat{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Lambda} + t_0\mathbb{I} \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Hence we can safely choose any observable (*maximally informative*) as  $\hat{\mathbf{m}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Lambda}$  and perform the optimization over all unit vector  $\hat{\mathbf{m}}$ . The amount of LQU are proportional on all such orbits. In fact the optimization problem turns out to be

$$\mathcal{U}_A^\wedge(\rho) = \min_{m_i, \sum m_i^2=1} g(m_i, f, \hat{f}) \tag{4}$$

where  $g$  is a real valued function of the parameters  $m_i, f, \hat{f}$ .

# Bounds on Geometric Discord and Measurement induced Nonlocality(MIN)

- Due to the same type of optimization problem we are able to find explicit bounds for geometric discord and MIN as follows:
- $0 \leq (n^2 - n)(b^2 + c^2) + 4(n - 1)bc \leq D(\rho) \leq N(\rho) \leq (n^2 - n)(b^2 + c^2)$ , if  $bc \leq 0$
- $0 \leq (n^2 - n)(b^2 + c^2) \leq D(\rho) \leq N(\rho) \leq (n^2 - n)(b^2 + c^2) + 4(n - 1)bc$ , if  $bc \geq 0$

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