
Computational Study of Quantum Coupled Chaotic Systems

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Classical Kicked Rotor

In the classical picture, we can write the Hamiltonian of single kicked top as

$$H = \frac{J^2}{2I} + \sum_n V \delta(t - nT) \quad (1.1)$$

where J is the angular momentum of the top, I is the moment of inertia, and V is the kicked potential.

If we try to construct a system having two kicked tops coupled to each other, the corresponding Hamiltonian of the system can be written as

$$H = \frac{J_1^2}{2I_1} + \frac{J_2^2}{2I_2} + \sum_n (V_1 + V_2 + V_{12}) \delta(t - nT) \quad (1.2)$$

where V_{12} is an interaction potential that couples the dynamics of the system.

1.2 Quantum Kicked Rotor

In the quantum picture, we replace the angular momentum J 's by the corresponding angular momentum operators \hat{J} , and the Hamiltonian for coupled tops can be written as follows

$$H = \frac{p_1}{2j} J_1^2 + \frac{p_2}{2j} J_2^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{j} J_{z_1} J_{z_2} \quad (1.3)$$

where ϵ is the coupling strength, and j are the eigenvalues of the J^2 operator. The value of ϵ determines the entanglement properties of this coupled system.

1.3 Measures of Entanglement

Entanglement can be defined as the non classical correlation between two spatially separated subsystems [1]. Entanglement can be measured calculating the von Neumann entropy of the Reduced Density Matrix of the Hamiltonian. The von Neumann entropy S_v is given by

$$S_v = - \sum_n \lambda_i \log \lambda_i \quad (1.4)$$

where λ_i 's are the eigenvalues of the reduced density matrix.

Chapter 2

Analysis Procedures

2.1 Method by Dalibard et al

Dalibard's method is an a general formalism that captures the essential features ruling the dynamics of quantum periodic systems by construction of an effective Hamiltonian.[\[2\]](#).

For the case of a quantum coupled periodic system, the effective Hamiltonian can be written as

$$H_{eff} = H_0 + V_0 + \sum_n \frac{1}{2n^2\omega^2} ([V_n, H_0], V_{-n}] + h.c.) + \mathcal{O}(\omega^3) \quad (2.1)$$

where

$$H_0 = p_1 J_{y_1} \otimes I_2 + p_2 I_1 \otimes J_{y_2}, V_0 = \frac{k_1}{2j} J_{z_1}^2 \otimes I_2 + \frac{k_2}{2j} I_1 \otimes J_{z_2}^2 \quad (2.2)$$

Using the eigenvectors of H_{eff} , the reduced density matrix can be constructed by first constructing a matrix C which is an $n \times n$ array of the eigenvectors. The RDM ρ can be calculated by the formula

$$\rho = C^\dagger C \quad (2.3)$$

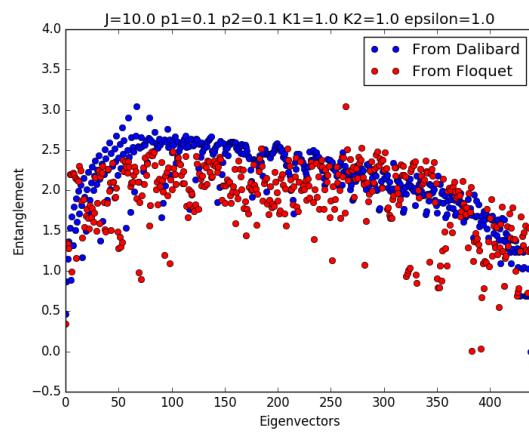
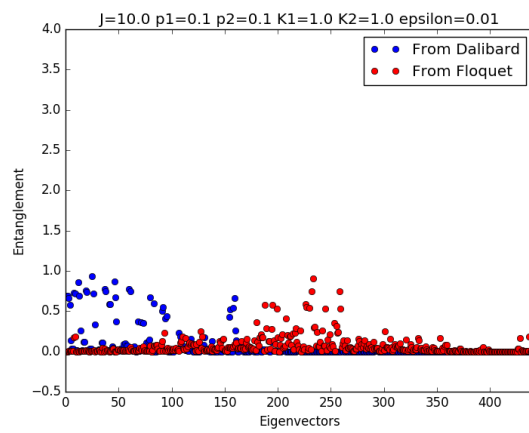
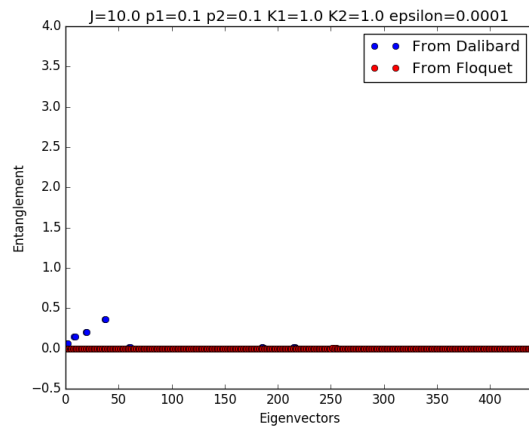
We then use the formula in chapter 1 to calculate the entanglement.

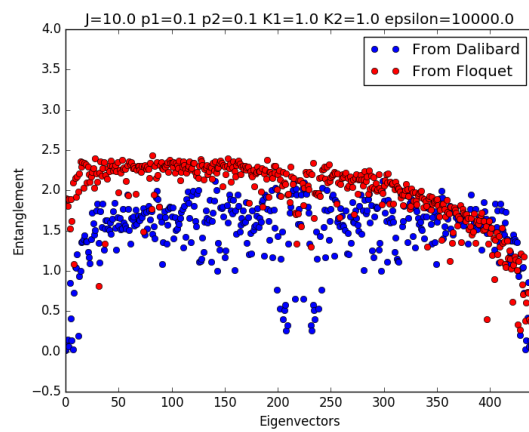
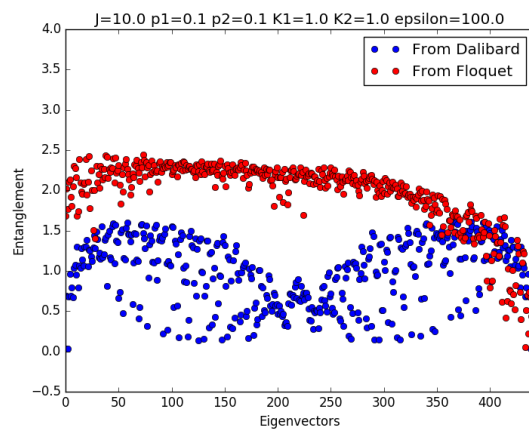
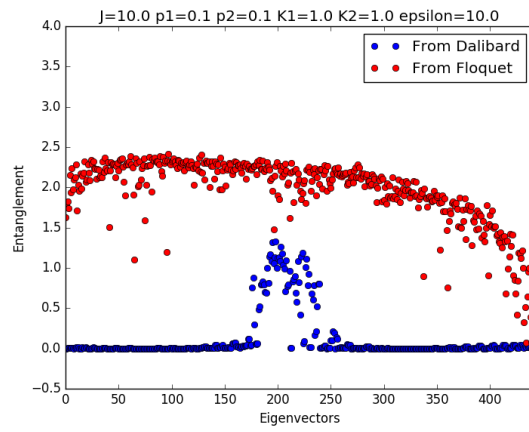
Chapter 3

Results and Conclusions

The results were obtained using Floquet Analysis for a system with $j = 10, p1 = p2 = \frac{1}{j}, K1 = K2 = 1$ and are plotted against that obtained using Dalibard's Analysis. The plots are shown on the following two pages.

We can see from the plots that S_v both the Dalibard and Floquet results match at low ϵ values and both these values tend to zero, as is expected for this ϵ range. The results also match for $\epsilon = 1$, which itself is a pretty high value of coupling. As we increase our ϵ value above 1, we can see that the Dalibard method breaks down. This is majorly because our method is an approximation, and the terms in the H_{eff} of our system break down at higher values of ϵ .





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