Many-Body Quantum Systems

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Theory: Many-body Quantum States

■ Consider a quantum system formed by N subsystems, the state of each one ψ_i belonging to a D-dimensional Hilbert space $\psi \in \mathcal{H}^D$. Given a basis $\{|\alpha_1\rangle,\ldots,|\alpha_d\rangle\} = \{|0\rangle,\ldots,|d-1\rangle\}$ of \mathcal{H}^D , the wave-function of the total system $\Psi(\psi_1,\ldots,\psi_N) \in \mathcal{H}^{d^N}$ reads

$$\Psi(\psi_1,\ldots,\psi_N) = \sum_{\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_N} C_{\alpha_1\ldots\alpha_N} |\alpha_1\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\alpha_N\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{d^N-1} C_i |i\rangle$$

■ If $\Psi(\psi_1, \dots, \psi_N)$ is **separable** i.e.

$$\Psi(\psi_1,\ldots,\psi_N) = \bigotimes_{i=0}^N |\psi_i\rangle = \bigotimes_{i=0}^N \sum_{\alpha_i} C_{\alpha_i} |\alpha_i\rangle$$

it can be described by $N \cdot d$ coefficients

Theory: Density matrices

lacktriangle Given a generic pure state ψ describing a system, its **density matrix** ho reads

$$\rho = |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| = \sum_{\alpha_i} \sum_{\alpha_j} C_j^* C_i |\alpha_i\rangle \langle \alpha_j|$$

■ To retrieve the density matrix of the *k_{th}* sub-system, we have to **trace-out** all the other degrees of freedom

$$\rho_k = Tr_1 \dots Tr_{k-1} Tr_{k+1} \dots Tr_N \rho \tag{1}$$

■ In the hypothesis that the system is **bipartite** into subsystem A and B of size d we can express the **partial trace** operation in (1) leading to the **reduced density matrix** of system A as

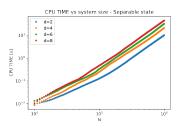
$$\rho_{A} = \mathit{Tr}_{B}\rho = \sum_{i} \left(\mathbb{1}_{A} \otimes \langle i|_{B} \right) \cdot \rho \cdot \left(\mathbb{1}_{A} \otimes |i\rangle_{B} \right)$$

And, similarly, for system B

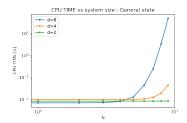
$$\rho_{B} = Tr_{A}\rho = \sum_{i} \left(\left\langle i \right|_{A} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{B} \right) \cdot \rho \cdot \left(\left| i \right\rangle_{A} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{B} \right)$$

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function reduced_density_matrix(rho, system, dim_A, dim_B) result(reduced_rho)
   double complex :: rho(:, :)
   double complex, allocatable :: reduced rho(:,:)
   character(1) :: system
   integer ii, jj, dim A, dim B
   real(8), allocatable :: id(:,:), ket(:,:), bra(:,:), bra_id(:,:), ket_id(:,:)
   if (system=='A') then
       allocate( reduced_rho(dim_B, dim_B) )
       allocate(ket(dim A, 1))
       allocate(bra(1, dim A))
       reduced_rho = 0
       id = ID matrix(dim B)
       do ii=1, dim A
           ket(:, 1) = versor(dim A, ii)
           bra(1, :) = versor(dim A, ii)
           allocate(bra_id(size(bra, 1)*size(id, 1), size(bra, 2)*size(id, 2)))
           allocate(ket_id(size(ket, 1)*size(id, 1), size(ket, 2)*size(id, 2)))
           call kronecker product(bra. id. bra id)
           call kronecker_product(ket, id, ket_id)
           reduced_rho = reduced_rho + MATMUL (MATMUL(bra_id, rho), ket_id)
           deallocate(bra_id); deallocate(ket_id)
       enddo
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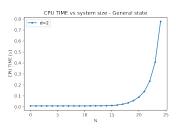
Figure: reduced_density_matrix function



(a) scaling of cpu-time vs system size for separable many-body state



(b) scaling of cpu-time vs system size for generic many-body state



(c) scaling of cpu-time vs system size for separable many-body state, d=2

- computation of reduced density matrices ρ_A , ρ_B for d=2, N=2
- in this case is particularly easy to verify the result since given th total matrix

$$\rho = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & e & f \\ c & d & g & h \\ i & j & m & n \\ k & l & o & p \end{vmatrix}$$

then

$$\rho_A = \begin{vmatrix} a+d & e+h \\ i+l & m+p \end{vmatrix}, \qquad \rho_B = \begin{vmatrix} a+m & b+n \\ c+o & d+p \end{vmatrix}$$

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giulia@Air-di-Giulia week6 % ./dmat.out 2 2 .FALSE. 1
state coefficients
( 0.073810 -0.294803i)
( 0.371076 +0.076118i)
( 0.452853 -0.418971i)
(-0.464968 -0.409078i)
density matrix
(0.092357 +0.000000i) (0.004949 -0.115013i) (0.156939 -0.102578i) (0.086278 +0.167268i)
( 0.004949 +0.115013i) ( 0.143492 +0.000000i) ( 0.136152 +0.189940i) (-0.203677 +0.116407i
( 0.156939 +0.102578i) ( 0.136152 -0.189940i) ( 0.380612 -0.000000i) (-0.039170 +0.380060i
( 0.086278 -0.167268i) (-0.203677 -0.116407i) (-0.039170 -0.380060i) ( 0.383540 -0.000000i)
reduced density matrix A-tracing out B
( 0.235848 +0.000000i) (-0.046738 +0.013828i)
(-0.046738 - 0.013828i) ( 0.764152 - 0.000000i)
reduced density matrix B-tracing out A
( 0.472969 -0.000000i) (-0.034221 +0.265047i)
(-0.034221 -0.265047i) ( 0.527031 -0.000000i)
(base) giulia@Air-di-Giulia week6 %
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Figure: Computation of reduced density matrices