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Theory & Notes

1. CUENTITAS

Given a physical system, a density operator for it is a positive semi-definite, self-adjoint operator of trace one acting on the system's Hilbert space, denoted by \mathbb{H} . The set of all density operators has the structure of a vector space $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H})$,

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}) = \{ \rho \in GL(N, \mathbb{C}) \mid \rho^{\dagger} = \rho, \ \rho \geq 0, \text{ Tr } \rho = 1 \},$$

where $GL(N, \mathbb{C})$ is the general linear group over the complex number field, whose elements are squared matrices of $N \times N$ -dimension. The following statements can then be proved:

- 1) $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H})$ is a topological space. This is, this space can be imbued with a topology \mathcal{T} which satisfies a set of axioms.
 - In effect, the desired topology may be chosen to be the trivial topology $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H})\}\$,
 - or it may be chosen out to be the discrete topology, ie. any collection of τ -sets, subsets of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H})$, so that that $\mathcal{T} = \bigcup \tau$ adheres to the topological space's axioms.
 - Another interesting election is to define a metric on this space, allowing for the construction of the metric topology. More on this later.
- 2) $(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}), \mathcal{T})$ is a Hausdorff space, allowing for the distinction of elements via disjoint neighbourhoods,
- 3) $(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}), \mathcal{T})$ is a topological manifold.
- 4) $(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}), \mathcal{T})$ is a differentiable manifold,
- 5) and is a Riemannian non-convex manifold

Let Λ be a d-dimensional quantum spin system, with its lattice being defined as $\mathbb{L}=\mathbb{Z}^d$ so that $\Lambda\subset\mathbb{Z}^d$. Its single-spin space is a probability space (S, \mathbf{S}, λ) where $S=\{\pm 1\}$. A spin chain's regular crystalline structure can be viewed as a finite, non-oriented. Let $\mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})$ be the set of all trace-class operators, endomorphisms acting on the N-partite Hilbert space. By construction, this set is, in and on itself, a Hilbert space. In particular, consider the subset of all trace-class hermitian operators, labelled

$$\mathfrak{H}:\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}\to\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}$$
(1)
$$\mathfrak{H}^{\otimes N})\subset\mathfrak{H}\mathfrak{s}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}), \text{ where } \mathbf{K}\in\mathfrak{H}\mathfrak{s}^{\dagger}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \text{ if and only if } \mathbf{K}:\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}\to\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}$$

$$\mathbf{K}:\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}\to\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}$$

$$\mathbf{K}=\mathbf{K}^{\dagger}$$

$$\mathrm{Tr}\,\mathbf{K}^{\dagger}\mathbf{K}=\mathrm{Tr}\,\mathbf{K}^{2}<\infty$$

We claim the following

Theorem 1. Let $\mathcal{M} = \left\{ \rho \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \mid \exists \{\mu\}_{k=1}^{\ell} \subset \mathbb{R} \land \exists \mathbf{K} \in \mathfrak{Hs}^{\dagger}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \text{ such that } \rho \propto e^{-\mathbf{K}} \right\}$. Then M is a Riemannian manifold (M,B), where B is the Bures metric.

Proof. In effect, this manifold is path-connected,

$$\forall \rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathcal{M}, \exists f : \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]} \to \mathcal{M} \text{ and } f(0) = \rho_1, f(1) = \rho_2$$

such that said path always exists. In effect, consider the function

$$f: \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]} \to \mathcal{M}$$
$$f(x) = x\rho_1 + (1-x)\rho_2,$$

which is continuous for arbitrary density matrices. Thus, according to the Hopf-Rinow theorem, there are a number of inmediate consequences:

- the closed and bounded subsets of \mathcal{M} are compact, ie. for each of these subsets, there always exists a uniformly convergent Cauchy subsequence. ¹
- \mathcal{M} is a complete metric space ie. every Cauchy sequence of points on \mathcal{M} has a limit that is also in \mathcal{M} .
- \mathcal{M} is geodesically complete, that is, $\forall \rho \in \mathcal{M}$, the exponential map $\exp_{\rho} : T_{\rho}\mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}$ is always well defined and can be defined on the entire tangent space.

In other words, the Hopf-Rinow theorem assures that, given any two arbitrary point $\rho, \sigma \in \mathcal{M}$, there always exists a length-minimizing geodesic connecting these two-points².

By construction, it is clear that the natural choice for the tangent space $T_{\rho}\mathcal{M}$ is $\mathfrak{Hs}^{\dagger}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})$

$$T_o\mathcal{M}\simeq\mathfrak{Hs}^\dagger(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})$$

, for all $\rho \in \mathcal{M}$. Therefore, the tangent bundle, a vector bundle made up of copies of $\mathfrak{Hs}^{\dagger}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})$, can be written as

$$T\mathcal{M} = \bigsqcup_{\rho \in \mathcal{M}} T_{\rho} \mathcal{M}$$

$$= \bigcup_{\rho \in \mathcal{M}} \{\rho\} \times T_{\rho} \mathcal{M}$$

$$= \bigcup_{\rho \in \mathcal{M}} \{(\rho, \mathbf{O}) \mid \mathbf{O} \in T_{\rho} \mathcal{M}\}$$

$$= \{(\rho, \mathbf{O}) \mid \rho \in \mathcal{M}, \mathbf{O} \in T_{\rho} \mathcal{M}\}$$

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$$g(v,w)(\rho) = \langle v,w \rangle_{\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}}, \text{ for } v,w \in T_{\rho}\mathcal{M}$$

¹Remember that a set X is compact if every sequence on X has a uniformly convergent subsequence, a subsequence which converges to a point on X.

 $^{^2}$ Note that these conclusions only hold for finite dimensional manifolds. The theorem does not hold for infinite dimensional complete Hilbert manifolds. Note that, in our case, the Hilbert space $\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}$ can be thought of as a Hilbert manifold, with a single global chart given by the identity function $\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}}$ on said Hilbert space. Moreover, since by definition a Hilbert space is a vector space, the tangent space $T_{\rho}\mathcal{M}$ to \mathcal{M} at the point $\rho \in \mathbb{H}^{\otimes}$ is canonically isomorphic to the Hilbert space itself, and thus has a natural inner product, the same as the one defined on the Hilbert space. Thus $\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}$ can be given the structure of a Riemannian manifold with metric

Consider the set of all density operators, labelled $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})$, we are interested in two subsets of these, the Max-Ent manifolds

By definition, $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \subset GL(N,\mathbb{C})$. In particular, we claim that it has the structure of a Riemannian non-convex manifold. All of these density matrices can be written as the exponential of a hermitian K-operator,

$$\mathbf{K} \in \operatorname{End}(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})) \text{ and } \mathbf{K}^{\dagger} = \mathbf{K}.$$

If a basis \mathcal{B} of trace-class operators is chosen, then

$$\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{O}_i\}_{i=1}^{\dim \mathcal{B}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{K} = \sum_i \alpha_i \mathbf{O}, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

so that there exists a mapping from the space of all trace-class endomorphisms to the space of all Max Ent-type density matrices, said mapping being the exponential mapping.

$$\mathfrak{exp}: T_{\alpha}\mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}$$

$$\mathfrak{exp}(\mathbf{K}) \to e^{\mathbf{K}} \text{ so long as } \mathbf{K} \in \operatorname{End}(\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})) \text{ and } \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}^{\dagger}$$

The exponential mapping is well defined for all trace-class hermitian operators since the manifold is path-connected. In effect,

$$\forall \rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathbf{S}_{ME2}$$

Density operators can either describe pure or mixed states, which are deffined as follows

• Pure states can be written as an outer product of a vector state with itself, this is

$$\rho$$
 is a pure state if $\exists |\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{H} | \rho \propto |\psi\rangle \langle \psi|$.

In other words, ρ is a rank-one orthogonal projection. Equivalently, a density matrix is a pure state if there exists a unit vector in the Hilbert space such that ρ is the orthogonal projection onto the span of ψ .

Note as well that

$$|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\in\mathbb{H}\otimes\mathbb{H}^{\star}$$
, but $\mathbb{H}\otimes\mathbb{H}^{\star}\sim\mathrm{End}(\mathbb{H})$

ie. the tensor space $\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H}^*$ is canonically isomorphic to the vector space of endormorphisms in \mathbb{H} , ie. to the space of linear operators from \mathbb{H} to \mathbb{H} . It's important to note that this isomorphism is only strictly valid in finite-dimensional Hilbert spaces, wherein for infinite-dimensional Hilbert spaces, the isomorphism holds as well provided the density operators are redefined as being trace-class.

• Mixed states do not adhere to the previous properties.

Let \mathcal{B} be the set of all operators which are endomorphisms on $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H})$, ie.

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ \mathbf{O} | \mathbf{O} : \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}) \to \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}) \}.$$

Note that, by definition, $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}) \subset \mathcal{B}$. Consider an N-partite physical system, then its associated Hilbert space will have $\mathcal{O}(2^N)$ dimension and its associated density operator space will have $\mathcal{O}(2^{2N})$ dimension. Then, all linear operators acting on $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H})$ can be classified as k-body operators, with $k \leq N$. This is, in essence, operators whose action is non-trivial only for a total of k particles. Therefore, the N-partite Hilbert space can be written as

$$\mathbb{H} = \bigotimes_{j=1}^{N} \mathfrak{H}_{j},$$

where \mathfrak{H}_j is the *j*-th subsytem's Hilbert space. This definition thus allows for systems with different particles species (eg. fermions, bosons, spins etc.). Then,

$$\mathcal{B}_1(\mathbb{H}) = {\{\hat{\mathbf{O}} | \hat{\mathbf{O}} : \mathfrak{H}_j \to \mathfrak{H}_j, \ \forall j \leq N\}}$$

is the space of all one-body operators. Then the space of k-body operators can be recursively defined in terms of this set,

$$\mathcal{B}_k(\mathbb{H}) = \{ \otimes_{i=1}^k \mathbf{O}_i | \mathbf{O}_i \in \mathcal{B}_1(\mathbb{H}) \}, \text{ where } \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{H}) = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^N \mathcal{B}_i(\mathbb{H}).$$

If $\mathbb H$ is a Hilbert space and $A \in \mathcal B$ is a non-negative self-adjoint operator on $\mathbb H$, then it can be shown that A has a well-defined, but possible infinite, trace. Now, if $\mathbf A$ is a bounded operator, then $\mathbf A^\dagger \mathbf A$ is self-adjoint and non-negative. An operator $\mathbf A$ is said to be Hilbert-Schmidt if $\mathrm{Tr}\ \mathbf A^\dagger \mathbf A < \infty$. Naturally, the space of all Hilbert-Schmidt operators form a vector space, labelled by $\mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb H)$. Then, the Hilbert Schmidt inner product can be defined as

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{HS}: \; \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}) \times \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}) \to \mathbb{C}, \, \text{where} \\ \begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \rangle_{HS} &= \text{Tr } \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \mathbf{B} \\ ||\mathbf{A}||_{HS} &= \sqrt{\text{Tr } \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \mathbf{A}}. \end{aligned}$$

If the Hilbert space is finite-dimensional, the trace is well defined and if the Hilbert space is infinite-dimensional, then the trace can be proven to be absolutely convergent and independent of the orthonormal basis choice³.

This inner product implies that $(\mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}), \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{HS})$ is a

 $^{^3}$ In effect, given a non-negative, self-adjoint operator, its trace is always invariant under orthogonal change of basis. Should the trace be a finite number, then it is called a trace class. Any given operator $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{B}$ is trace-class if the non-negative self-adjoint operator $\sqrt{\mathbf{A}^{\dagger}\mathbf{A}}$ is trace class as well. Now, given two Hilbert-Schmidt operators $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathfrak{H}$, then the new operator $\mathbf{A}^{\dagger}\mathbf{B}$ is a trace-class operator, meaning that the sum

• inner product space since the norm is the square root of the inner product of a vector and itself ie.

$$||\mathbf{A}||_{\mathrm{HS}} = \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A} \rangle_{\mathrm{HS}} = \sqrt{\mathrm{Tr} \, \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \mathbf{A}}$$

• and is a normed vector space since the norm is always well defined over $\mathfrak{hs}(\mathbb{H})$.

Acá va un comentario "importante": no tiene sentido que dos vectores estén infinitamente lejos, no? entónces tengo que definir esto producto interno y métrico solo en HS(H) y no sobre B(H)

Now, every inner product space is a metric space. In effect, since the function

$${f A}
ightarrow \sqrt{{
m Tr}\ {f A}^\dagger {f A}}$$
 is a well-defined norm then ${f A}, {f B} \stackrel{d}{
ightarrow} \sqrt{{
m Tr}\ {f A}^\dagger {f B}}$ is a well-defined distance

$$d_{\mathrm{HS}}(\cdot, \cdot): \, \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}) \times \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}) \to \mathbb{R}$$

$$d_{\mathrm{HS}}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}) = \sqrt{\operatorname{Tr} \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \mathbf{B}}$$

With this metric thus defined, then $(\mathfrak{H}, d_{\mathrm{HS}})$ is a metric space. Every metric space can be modified, via the completions of its metric, in such a way that $(\mathfrak{H}, d_{\mathrm{HS}})$ is a complete metric space, in the sense of the convergence of Cauchy series, where $\mathfrak{H}(\mathbb{H}) \subset \mathfrak{H}(\mathbb{H})^*$. In this particular case, given that the metric over $\mathfrak{H}(\mathbb{H})$ is always a finite number -having removed those elements with infinite trace-, then it is already complete $\mathfrak{H}(\mathbb{H}) \sim \mathfrak{H}(\mathbb{H})^*$. Therefore, $\mathfrak{H}(\mathbb{H})$ is a Hilbert space with respect to the Hilbert-Schmidt inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathrm{HS}}$ (or with respect to the Hilbert-Schmidt distance d_{HS}).

Thus defined, the Hilbert-Schmidt inner product is complex-valued, thus not immediately suited for our calculations.

Theorem 2. Consider the modified Hilbert-Schmidt product given by

$$\begin{split} \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathrm{HS}}^{\rho_0} : \; \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}) \times \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}) &\to \mathbb{R} \\ \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \rangle_{\mathrm{HS}}^{\rho_0} &= \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Tr} \; \rho_0 \{ \mathbf{A}^\dagger, \mathbf{B} \} \end{split} \quad \text{where } \rho_0 \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}).$$

We claim this is a valid inner product over the space of all linear trace-class endomorphisms on \mathbb{H} , $\mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H})$.

Proof. In order to prove this is a well-defined inner product over the space of trace-class operators, we must prove that it linear in it second argument and sesquilinear in its first argument, hermitian and positive-defined. In effect,

- 1) the linearity and sesquilinearity is self evident.
- 2) Is it real? Yes

(3)
$$\langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \rangle_{\mathrm{HS}}^{\rho_0} = \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Tr} \, \rho_0 \{ \mathbf{A}^{\dagger}, \mathbf{B} \} = \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Tr} \, \rho_0 \left(\mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Tr} \, \rho_0 \left(\mathbf{B}^{\dagger} \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}^{\dagger} \right)^{\dagger} = \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Tr} \, \rho_0 \{ \mathbf{B}^{\dagger}, \mathbf{A} \}^{\dagger}$$
$$= (\langle \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A} \rangle_{\mathrm{HS}}^{\rho_0})^*$$

$$\mathrm{Tr}\,\mathbf{A}^\dagger\mathbf{B} = \sum_{\lambda\in\Lambda} \langle \mathbf{e}_\lambda, \mathbf{A}^\dagger\mathbf{B}\mathbf{e}_\lambda
angle$$

3) Is it positive-defined? Yes, in effect,

(4)
$$\langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A} \rangle_{HS}^{\rho_0} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr } \rho_0 \{ \mathbf{A}^{\dagger}, \mathbf{B} \} = \text{Tr } \sqrt{\rho} \frac{\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} + \mathbf{A}^{\dagger} \mathbf{A}}{2} \sqrt{\rho}$$

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In our context, since the calculations are to be computed via the (modified) Hilbert-Schmidt inner product and metric, only trace-class operators are allowed. Therefore, some redefinitions are needed.

is the space of all one-body operators, and where
$$\mathfrak{H}_{\mathfrak{S}_{1}}(\mathbb{H}) = \{\hat{\mathbf{O}}|\hat{\mathbf{O}} \in \mathcal{B}_{1} \wedge ||\mathbf{O}||_{\mathrm{HS}}^{\rho_{0}} < \infty, \ \forall j \leq N\} \quad \text{one-body operators},$$
 and where
$$\mathfrak{H}_{\mathfrak{S}_{k}}(\mathbb{H}) = \{ \bigotimes_{i=1}^{k} \hat{\mathbf{O}}_{i} | \hat{\mathbf{O}}_{i} \in \mathfrak{H}_{1}(\mathbb{H}) \ \forall i, k \leq N \} \quad \text{is the space of all} \quad \mathfrak{H}_{k}(\mathbb{H}) = \bigsqcup_{k=1}^{N} \mathfrak{H}_{k}(\mathbb{H})$$

Consider now an N-body quantum system, where correlations, entanglements, and interactions are present. Different particle species are allowed. The One-body and Two-body Max-Ent frameworks are defined as follows

Näive one-body Max-Ent

In the Näive one-body Max-Ent framework, there are N sets of one-body operators, each one corresponding to one the N subsystems, which are assumed to be the local basis. These operators must be local operators, acting non-trivially in only one Hilbert subspace, and must be trace-class. The framework thus allows for interactions between different particle species since the basis may have different dimension, this is

Then, the one-body Max-Ent basis \mathfrak{B}_{ME_1} is defined as the union of these sets

$$\mathfrak{B}_{ME_1} = \bigsqcup_{k=1}^{N} \mathfrak{b}_k,$$

whose dimension is given by the sum of the \mathfrak{b} -basis dimensions ie. $\dim(\mathfrak{B}_{ME_1}) = \sum_{k=1}^N \dim(\mathfrak{b}_k) \sim \mathcal{N}$. Then, the one-body Max-Ent states are given by

(6)
$$S_{ME,1}(\mathfrak{B}_{ME_1}) = \{ \rho \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}) \mid \exists \{\lambda_k\}_{k=1}^{\dim \mathfrak{B}_{ME_1}} \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \rho \propto \exp\left(-\sum_i \lambda_i \mathbf{O}_i\right) \}.$$

Näive two-body Max-Ent

Here, similarly to the näive one-body Max-Ent framework, we have N sets of local one-body operators at our disposal, which must be trace-class and must only non-trivially act in only one Hilbert subspace. If the one-body local operators are

$$\begin{aligned} &\{\mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)}\}_{i=1}^{n_{1}} \in \mathfrak{Hs}_{1}(\mathbb{H}^{(1)}) & \qquad \qquad \mathfrak{b}_{1} = \{\mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)} \otimes \bigotimes_{k=2}^{N} \mathbb{1}^{(k)}\}_{i=1}^{n_{1}} \subset \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \\ & \vdots & \qquad \qquad \vdots \\ &\{\mathbf{O}_{i}^{(\ell)}\}_{i=1}^{n_{\ell}} \in \mathfrak{Hs}_{1}(\mathbb{H}^{(\ell)}) &, & \text{then the global} \\ & \vdots & & \vdots \\ &\{\mathbf{O}_{i}^{(N)}\}_{i=1}^{n_{N}} \in \mathfrak{Hs}_{1}(\mathbb{H}^{(N)}) & \qquad \qquad \mathfrak{b}_{\ell} = \{\bigotimes_{k=1}^{\ell} \mathbb{1}^{(k)} \otimes \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(\ell)} \otimes_{k'=\ell+1}^{N} \mathbb{1}^{(k')}\}_{i=1}^{n_{\ell}} \subset \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \\ & \vdots & & \vdots \\ & \vdots & & \vdots \\ &\{\mathbf{O}_{i}^{(N)}\}_{i=1}^{n_{N}} \in \mathfrak{Hs}_{1}(\mathbb{H}^{(N)}) & \qquad \qquad \mathfrak{b}_{N} = \{\bigotimes_{k=1}^{N-1} \mathbb{1}^{(k)} \otimes \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(N)}\}_{i=1}^{n_{N}} \subset \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \end{aligned}$$

However, unlike the previous case, we now allow for two-body operators to be included. These new sets of two-body operators may be defined as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{c}_{11} &= \{ \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)} \mathbf{O}_{j}^{(1)} \bigotimes_{k=2}^{N} \mathbb{1}^{(k)} \}_{i,j=1}^{\Gamma(n_{1},n_{1})} \mid \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)} \in \mathfrak{b}_{1} \\ \mathbf{c}_{12} &= \{ \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)} \otimes \mathbf{Q}_{j}^{(2)} \bigotimes_{k=3}^{N} \mathbb{1}^{(k)} \}_{i,j=1}^{\Gamma(n_{1},n_{2})} \mid \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)} \in \mathfrak{b}_{1}, \mathbf{Q}_{j}^{(2)} \in \mathfrak{b}_{2} \\ &\vdots \\ \mathbf{c}_{\ell\ell'} &= \{ \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(\ell)} \otimes \mathbf{Q}_{j}^{(\ell)} \bigotimes_{k=1}^{N} \mathbb{1}^{(k)} \}_{i,j=1}^{\Gamma(n_{\ell},n_{\ell'})} \mid \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(1)} \in \mathfrak{b}_{\ell}, \mathbf{Q}_{j}^{(2)} \in \mathfrak{b}_{\ell'}, \\ &\vdots \\ \mathbf{c}_{NN} &= \{ \bigotimes_{k=1}^{N-1} \mathbb{1}^{(k)} \otimes \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(N)} \mathbf{O}_{j}^{(N)} \}_{i,j=1}^{\Gamma(n_{N},n_{N})} \mid \mathbf{O}_{i}^{(N)} \in \mathfrak{b}_{N} \end{aligned}$$

where $\Gamma(n_a, n_b)$ counts all the possible, non-repeating, order notwithstanding, pair combinations of elements from a n_a -cardinality set with elements from a n_b -cardinality set. In other words,

(8)
$$\Gamma(n_a, n_b) = n_a + n_b + \frac{n_a(n_b - 1)}{2}$$

Then, the two-body Max-Ent basis is

(9)

$$\mathfrak{B}_{ME_2} = igsqcup_{k=1}^N \mathfrak{b}_k \cup igsqcup_{k,k'=1}^N \mathfrak{c}_{kk'},$$

from which the two-body Max-Ent states are given by

$$\boldsymbol{\mathcal{S}}_{ME,2}(\boldsymbol{\mathfrak{B}}_{ME_2}) = \{ \rho \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}) \mid \exists \{\lambda_k\}_{k=1}^{\ell \leq N}, \{\gamma_{mn}\}_{\substack{m,n=1\\m < n}}^{\ell \leq N} \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \rho \propto \exp\left(-\sum_{i,j} \lambda_i \mathbf{O}_i - \gamma_{ij} \mathbf{O}_i \mathbf{O}_j\right) \}.$$

Note that dim $\mathfrak{B}_{ME_2} = \sum_{k=1}^N \dim(\mathfrak{b}_k) + \sum_{i,j=1}^N \dim(\mathfrak{c}_{ij}) \sim \mathcal{O}(N^2)$

Both of these techniques require substantially fewer parameters than the exact dynamics, which requires $\mathcal{O}(2^{2N})$ complex-valued entries (or alternatively $\mathcal{O}(2^{2N+1})$ real-valued parameters.

Consider a closed quantum many-body system described by a Hamiltonian ${\bf H}$ and with its initial state, ρ_0 , given by

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{where } \rho_0 \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})) \\ \rho_0 = e^{-\mathbf{K}} \\ \text{and with } \mathbf{K} \in \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) \Longleftrightarrow \mathbf{K} = -\log \rho \end{array}$$

The system's time evolution of course governed by the Schrödinger equation.

$$i\frac{d\rho(t)}{dt} = [\mathbf{H}, \rho]$$

For the time being, consider ρ_0 as a one-body Max-Ent state, with respect to some general Max-Ent 1 basis composed of a collection of one-body local operators

which in turn implies that the **K**-operator
$$\rho \in \mathcal{S}_{ME,1}(\mathfrak{B}_{ME_1})$$
 can be uniquely decomposed, upto phase factors, as $\mathbf{K} = \sum_{\mu}^{\ell} \phi^{\mu}(t) \mathcal{O}_{\mu}$,

where we have chosen the Schrodinger picture for the operators. Now we claim the following

Theorem 3. Since $\rho = e^{-K}$ is a well-defined density operator $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})$), the K-operator's time evolution is governed by a Schrödinger equation as well, this is

$$i\frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dt} = [\mathbf{K}, \rho].$$

Proof. If $\rho = e^{-K}$ then, by definition

(11)
$$\rho = \mathbb{1} - \mathbf{K} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{K}^2 - \frac{1}{3!}\mathbf{K}^3 + \cdots$$
$$d\rho = 0 - d\mathbf{K} + \frac{1}{2}\left(d\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K}d\mathbf{K}\right) - \frac{1}{3!}\left((d\mathbf{K})\mathbf{K}^2 + \mathbf{K}(d\mathbf{K})\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K}^2(d\mathbf{K})\right) + \cdots$$

which, if we are willing to assume that $[\mathbf{K}, d\mathbf{K}] = 0$, yields

$$d\rho = 0 - d\mathbf{K} + \frac{1}{2} \left(d\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K}d\mathbf{K} \right) - \frac{1}{3!} \left((d\mathbf{K})\mathbf{K}^2 + \mathbf{K}(d\mathbf{K})\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K}^2(d\mathbf{K}) \right) + \cdots$$

$$= -d\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K}d\mathbf{K} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{K}^2d\mathbf{K} + \cdots$$

$$= -\left(\mathbb{1} - \mathbf{K} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{K}^2 + \cdots \right) d\mathbf{K} = -e^{-\mathbf{K}}d\mathbf{K}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\rho}{dt} = -e^{-\mathbf{K}}\frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dt},$$
(12)

and given that ρ 's time evolution is governed by the Schrödinger equation, this yields

(13)
$$i\frac{d\rho}{dt} = [\mathbf{H}, \rho]$$
$$ie^{-\mathbf{K}}\frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dt} = [\mathbf{H}, e^{-\mathbf{K}}]$$

[Comentario FTBP: Acá algunas cosas me hacen ruido. Primero, la identidad $\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -e^{-\mathbf{K}} \frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dt}$ se mantiene sí y solo sí asumo que dK y K conmutan, lo cual en general no es el caso. Por otro lado, si intento hacer la cuenta por el lado de la derivada del logaritmo tengo que $d\log\rho/dt = \rho^{-1}d\rho/dt$]

$$\frac{d}{dt}\log\rho(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\log[\rho + \rho'\Delta t] - \log\rho}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\log[\rho\rho^{-1} + \rho'\rho^{-1}\Delta t]}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \frac{\log[\mathbb{1} + \rho'\rho^{-1}\Delta t]}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \log\left([\mathbb{1} + \rho'\rho^{-1}\Delta t]\right)^{\frac{1}{\Delta t}}$$

$$= \lim_{\sigma \to 0} \log\left([\mathbb{1} + \sigma]\right)^{\rho'\rho^{-1}\sigma^{-1}} \text{ where } \sigma = \rho'\rho^{-1}\Delta t$$

$$= \rho'\rho^{-1}\lim_{\sigma \to 0} \log\left([\mathbb{1} + \sigma]\right)^{\sigma^{-1}}$$

$$= \rho'\rho^{-1}\lim_{\sigma \to 0} \log e$$

$$= \rho'\rho^{-1}$$

[Comentario FTBP: pero lo que no me gusta de acá es que es que usé que $\log AB^{-1} = \log A - \log B$, que vale solo si conmutan y si $\rho' \rho^{-1}$ conmutan dentro del límite. Me hace ruido]

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Theorem 4. Consider an N-particle closed quantum system and consider an $\ell + \ell'$ -dimensional basis of Hilbert-Schmidt operators, which includes upto two-body operators, ie.

$$\mathfrak{B} = \{\mathbf{O}_i\}_{i=1}^\ell \cup \{\mathbf{O}_i\mathbf{O}_j\}_{\substack{i=1\\j=1}}^{\ell'} \text{ with } O_i \in \mathfrak{Hs}_1(\mathbb{H}^{(\ell)}) \ \forall i \text{ and } \mathfrak{B} \subset \mathfrak{Hs}_2(\mathbb{H}^{(\ell)}).$$

We then claim that the system's time evolution can then be approximated as

$$\rho(t) = e^{\mathfrak{K}} \text{ where } \mathfrak{K} = \sum_{\mu} \phi^{\mu}(t) \mathbf{O}_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(t) \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu} \text{ for some } \{\phi^{\mu}\}_{\mu}, \{\gamma^{\mu\nu}\}_{\mu,\nu} \subset C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}) \text{ such that } \rho \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{H}), \forall t.$$

Proof. In effect, the closed evolution is governed by the Schrodinger equation on the density matrix,

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = \frac{[\mathbf{H}, \rho]}{i},$$

If the density operator can be written as the exponential of a positive-defined operator \mathfrak{K} , the previous equation naturally induces a Schrodinger equation on the \mathfrak{K} -operator, as follows

$$\frac{d\mathfrak{K}}{dt} = \frac{[\mathbf{H}, \mathfrak{K}]}{i}.$$

Which entails,

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$$\sum_{\mu} \frac{d\phi^{\mu}}{dt} \mathbf{O}_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu\nu} \frac{d\gamma^{\mu\nu}}{dt} \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu} = \left[\mathbf{H}, \sum_{\mu} \phi^{\mu}(t) \mathbf{O}_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(t) \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu} \right]$$
$$\sum_{\mu} \frac{d\phi^{\mu}}{dt} \mathbf{O}_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu\nu} \frac{d\gamma^{\mu\nu}}{dt} \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu} = \sum_{\mu} \phi^{\mu}(t) [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu}] + \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(t) [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, \sum_{\mu} \frac{d\phi^{\mu}}{dt} \mathbf{O}_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu\nu} \frac{d\gamma^{\mu\nu}}{dt} \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu}\right) = \left(\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, \sum_{\mu} \phi^{\mu}(t) [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu}] + \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(t) [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu}]\right)$$

$$\sum_{\mu} \frac{d\phi^{\mu}}{dt} (\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu}) + \sum_{\mu\nu} \frac{d\gamma^{\mu\nu}}{dt} (\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu}) = \left(\sum_{\mu} \phi^{\mu}(t) (\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu}]) + \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(t) (\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu}])\right)$$

$$\frac{d\phi^{\alpha}}{dt} = \left(\sum_{\mu} \phi^{\mu}(t) (\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu}]) + \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu}(t) (\mathbf{O}_{\alpha}, [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\mu} \mathbf{O}_{\nu}])\right)$$

 $rac{d\phi^{lpha}}{dlpha} = \sum_{\mu} \mathcal{H}\phi^{\mu} \,,$

where

$$\mathcal{H}: \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N}) imes \mathfrak{Hs}(\mathbb{H}^{\otimes N})
ightarrow \mathbb{C}^{\dim imes \dim}$$

$$(\mathcal{H})_{\mu\nu} = (\mathbf{O}_{\nu}, [\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{O}_{\nu}])$$

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