

# **Bose-Hubbard Model & Machine Learning**

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## **Abstract**

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# 1 Introduction

Richard Feynman was the first to conceptualize the idea of using a quantum mechanical system to perform calculations. Not only would this machine be able to perform calculation, but it would also be capable of simulating physical quantum mechanical problems. Through further analysis, Feynman found that quantum computers could solve problems which could not be solved by classical computers, as the calculations may last longer than the age of the universe. More specifically, classical computers require exponentially growing time to solve quantum mechanical many body problems, whereas quantum computers could do so in polynomial time. It was then later discovered by Deutsch, a man whose name is sprinkled through many quantum computing methods and algorithms, that a general-purpose quantum computer is theoretically possible. Moreover, he "showed that any physical process, in principle could be modelled perfectly by a quantum computer".<sup>?</sup>

The first major application of quantum computation was discovered by Peter Shor, famous for Shor's factorization algorithm: this algorithm was used to successfully factor huge numbers rapidly. Since all information on classical computers is kept safe through encryption methods of factoring large prime numbers, this breakthrough gained the attention of many around the world.

One measurement that is of particular interest in quantum computation is entanglement entropy: "Entanglement entropy is a measure of how quantum information is stored in a quantum state".<sup>?</sup>

During the summer of 2023, I worked with Dr. Adrian Del Maestro and his research group at the University of Tennessee Knoxville while attending one of their Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) programs titled Quantum Algorithms and Optimization (QAO). During this experience, I worked on benchmarking their algorithm for simulating identical, interacting bosons on a lattice. More specifically, I worked with the small scale

(2 particles on 2 sites) in order to confidently extend the simulation to higher scale (larger system sizes). I began my work by studying the theory of the Bose-Hubbard model (Section 2.1). After learning the theory, I began simulating the system using the PIGSFLI algorithm (Section 3.1). I then compared the results of the PIGSFLI algorithm to the exact diagonalization (ED) results (Section 3.1.1).

## 2 Methods

### 2.1 Bose-Hubbard Calculations

#### 2.1.1 $2^{nd}$ Quantization Von Nuemann Entanglement Entropy Calculation

To get a better initial feeling for this calculation, begin with the simpler case:  $2^{nd}$  quantization or spatial entanglement. The basis for  $2^{nd}$  quantization is as follows:

$$|20\rangle, |11\rangle, |02\rangle. \quad (1)$$

The full Hamiltonian for the Bose-Hubbard system is

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_i b_i^\dagger b_{i+1} + b_{i+1}^\dagger b_i + \frac{U}{2} \sum_i n_i(n_i - 1) - \mu \sum_i n_i, \quad (2)$$

where  $J$  is the hopping term,  $U$  is the potential energy, and  $\mu$  is the chemical potential.  $b^\dagger$  and  $b$  are the creation and annihilation operators, respectively. They act as follows:

$$b^\dagger |n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle \quad (3)$$

$$b |n\rangle = \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle. \quad (4)$$

The full Hamiltonian can be calculated by calculating the kinetic and potential pieces separately, then simply adding them together. Start by calculating the kinetic energy piece of the full matrix Hamiltonian. The kinetic energy part of the full hamiltonian above for the 2 particle, 2 site system is

$$\hat{H}_{KE} = -J(b_1^\dagger b_2 + b_2^\dagger b_1). \quad (5)$$

The matrix elements of the kinetic energy part of the Hamiltonian are calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 20 | H_{KE} | 20 \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle 11 | H_{KE} | 20 \rangle &= -\sqrt{2}J \\ \langle 02 | H_{KE} | 20 \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle 20 | H_{KE} | 11 \rangle &= -\sqrt{2}J \\ \langle 11 | H_{KE} | 11 \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle 02 | H_{KE} | 11 \rangle &= -\sqrt{2}J \\ \langle 20 | H_{KE} | 02 \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle 11 | H_{KE} | 02 \rangle &= -\sqrt{2}J \\ \langle 02 | H_{KE} | 02 \rangle &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

From these matrix elements, the full kinetic energy piece of the Hamiltonian is written as:

$$\hat{H}_{KE} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6)$$

Next, the potential part of the hamiltonian can be calculated as follows:

$$\hat{H}_P = \frac{U}{2} \sum_i n_i(n_i - 1) = \frac{U}{2} [n_1(n_1 - 1) + n_2(n_2 - 1)], \quad (7)$$

where  $n_i = b_i^\dagger b_i$ . The elements of the potential part of the Hamiltonian matrix are:

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle 20|H_P|20\rangle &= U \\
\langle 11|H_P|20\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 02|H_P|20\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 20|H_P|11\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 11|H_P|11\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 02|H_P|11\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 20|H_P|02\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 11|H_P|02\rangle &= 0 \\
\langle 02|H_P|02\rangle &= U.
\end{aligned}$$

From these matrix elements, the full potential energy part of the Hamiltonian is written as:

$$\hat{H}_P = \begin{pmatrix} U & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & U \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8)$$

The separate kinetic and potential energy pieces of the matrix Hamiltonian can be combined together to make the full matrix as follows:

$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} U & -\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2} & U \end{pmatrix}. \quad (9)$$



Now that we have the full matrix Hamiltonian, we can find the energy states of the system by solving the Schrodinger equation. The general form of the Schrodinger equation is

$$\hat{H}|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle. \quad (10)$$

This equation can then be manipulated to look like the following equation:

$$\left(\hat{H} - E\hat{I}\right)|\psi\rangle = 0. \quad (11)$$

Since we're not interested in the solution where  $|\psi\rangle = 0$ , then  $\hat{H} - E\hat{I}$  must be zero. This yields the following characteristic equation:

$$\hat{H} - E\hat{I} = 0. \quad (12)$$

This characteristic equation can be solved via expanding the matrix minors and solving the resulting polynomial, where

$$-E^2 + 2UE^2 + 4J^2E - U^2E - 4J^2U = 0. \quad (13)$$

Solving this equation yields

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= U \\ E_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left( U - \sqrt{16J^2 + U^2} \right) \\ E_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \left( U + \sqrt{16J^2 + U^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

These are the eigenvalues for the Hamiltonian calculated earlier. Looking at the three energies listed above, it is obvious that  $E_2$  is the ground state energy since it is the lowest of the three. Before the entanglement entropy can be calculated, the density matrix and

reduced density matrix must be found. The full density matrix is defined as  $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$ . The calculation is as follows:

$$\hat{\rho} = (\alpha|20\rangle + \beta|11\rangle + \gamma|02\rangle)(\alpha^*\langle 20| + \beta^*\langle 11| + \gamma^*\langle 02|). \quad (14)$$

Putting our result in matrix notation yields the following:

$$\hat{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha\alpha^* & \alpha\beta^* & \alpha\gamma^* \\ \beta\alpha^* & \beta\beta^* & \beta\gamma^* \\ \gamma\alpha^* & \gamma\beta^* & \gamma\gamma^* \end{bmatrix}. \quad (15)$$

The reduced density matrix is calculated as follows:

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \sum_{n=0}^2 {}_B\langle n|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|n\rangle_B = {}_B\langle 0|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|0\rangle_B + {}_B\langle 1|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|1\rangle_B + {}_B\langle 2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|2\rangle_B \quad (16)$$

$$\hat{\rho}_A = |\alpha|^2 {}_A|2\rangle\langle 2|_A + |\beta|^2 {}_A|1\rangle\langle 1|_A + |\gamma|^2 {}_A|0\rangle\langle 0|_A. \quad (17)$$

These elements written in matrix notation are as follows:

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |\beta|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & |\gamma|^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

Now, we want to calculate the ground state eigenvector. This can be done by plugging our ground state eigenvalue into equation [10] and solving the resulting augmented matrix. This matrix is as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} U - \frac{1}{2}(U - \sqrt{16J^2 + U^2}) & -\sqrt{2}J & 0 \\ -\sqrt{2}J & -\frac{1}{2}(U - \sqrt{16J^2 + U^2}) & -\sqrt{2}J \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2}J & U - \frac{1}{2}(U - \sqrt{16J^2 + U^2}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{bmatrix} = 0. \quad (19)$$

Solving the above equation provides the solutions for  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , &  $\gamma$ , which are as follows:

$$\alpha = \frac{2}{\sqrt{U'^2 + U'\sqrt{U'+16}} + 16} = \gamma$$

$$\beta = \frac{U' + \sqrt{U'+16}}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{U'^2 + U'\sqrt{U'+16}} + 16},$$

where  $U'$  is defined as  $U' = \frac{U}{J}$  for simplicity. Finally, the spatial entanglement entropy is calculated as follows:

$$S_1 = -Tr(\rho_A \ln \rho_A) = -Tr \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 \ln |\alpha|^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |\beta|^2 \ln |\beta|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & |\gamma|^2 \ln |\gamma|^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

$$S_1 = -[|\alpha|^2 \ln |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 \ln |\beta|^2 + |\gamma|^2 \ln |\gamma|^2] \quad (21)$$

### 2.1.2 1<sup>st</sup> Quantization Von Nuemann Entanglement Entropy Calculation

Now, we want to run through the same process with 1<sup>st</sup> quantization to obtain the particle entanglement. The basis for 1<sup>st</sup> quantization is as follows:

$$|1_1 2_1\rangle, |1_1 2_2\rangle, |1_2 2_1\rangle, |1_2 2_2\rangle. \quad (22)$$

We begin by calculating the full Hamiltonian, which behaves the same way for 1<sup>st</sup> quantization as it did for 2<sup>nd</sup> quantization:

$$\hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle 1_1 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_1 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_2 \rangle & \langle 1_1 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_1 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_2 \rangle \\ \langle 1_1 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_1 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_2 \rangle & \langle 1_1 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_1 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_2 \rangle \\ \langle 1_2 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_2 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_2 \rangle & \langle 1_2 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_2 2_1 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_2 \rangle \\ \langle 1_2 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_2 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_1 2_2 \rangle & \langle 1_2 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_1 \rangle & \langle 1_2 2_2 | \hat{H} | 1_2 2_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (23)$$

$$\hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} U & -\sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ -\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & -\sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} & U \end{bmatrix}. \quad (24)$$

The full density matrix is then given by  $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$ , where  $\psi$ , the ground state, is given by:

$$\psi = \alpha|1_1 2_1\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}}(|1_1 2_2\rangle + |1_2 2_1\rangle) + \gamma|1_2 2_2\rangle.$$

$$\hat{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 & \frac{\alpha\beta^*}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{\alpha\beta^*}{\sqrt{2}} & \alpha\gamma^* \\ \frac{\beta\alpha^*}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} & \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} & \frac{\beta\gamma^*}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\beta\alpha^*}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} & \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} & \frac{\beta\gamma^*}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \gamma\alpha^* & \frac{\gamma\beta^*}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{\gamma\beta^*}{\sqrt{2}} & |\gamma|^2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (25)$$

We then needed to calculate the reduced density matrix, which is given by tracing out the degrees of freedom of the second particle. The reduced density matrix is as follows:

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \sum_{n=1}^2 {}_B\langle n|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|n\rangle_B = {}_B\langle 2_1|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|2_1\rangle_B + {}_B\langle 2_2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|2_2\rangle_B \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\rho}_A &= \left(|\alpha|^2 + \frac{|\beta|^2}{2}\right) {}_A\langle 1_1|\langle 1_1|_A + \left(\frac{\alpha\beta^* + \beta\gamma^*}{\sqrt{2}}\right) {}_A\langle 1_1|\langle 1_2|_A \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{\beta\alpha^* + \gamma\beta^*}{\sqrt{2}}\right) {}_A\langle 1_2|\langle 1_1| + \left(\frac{|\beta|^2}{2} + |\gamma|^2\right) {}_A\langle 1_2|\langle 1_2|_A. \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \begin{bmatrix} {}_A\langle 1_1|\hat{\rho}_A|1_1\rangle & {}_A\langle 1_1|\hat{\rho}_A|1_2\rangle \\ {}_A\langle 1_2|\hat{\rho}_A|1_1\rangle & {}_A\langle 1_2|\hat{\rho}_A|1_2\rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 + \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} & \frac{\alpha\beta^* + \beta\gamma^*}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\beta\alpha^* + \gamma\beta^*}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{|\beta|^2}{2} + |\gamma|^2 \end{bmatrix} \hat{\rho}_A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \sqrt{2}\alpha\beta \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha\beta & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (27)$$

To get the Von Nuemann entanglement entropy, the eigenvalues of the above matrix are needed. To obtain these eigenvalues, the following equation must be solved:

$$\hat{\rho}_A - \lambda \hat{I} = 0. \quad (28)$$

In matrix form, this becomes:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - \lambda & \sqrt{2}\alpha\beta \\ \sqrt{2}\alpha\beta & \frac{1}{2} - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = 0. \quad (29)$$

Taking the determinant of this equation yields the characteristic equation:

$$\frac{1}{4} - \lambda + \lambda^2 - 2\alpha^2\beta^2 = 0 \quad (30)$$

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2\alpha^2 (1 - 2\alpha^2) + \frac{1}{4} = 0 \quad (31)$$

$$\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2\alpha^2 + 4\alpha^4 + \frac{1}{4} = 0. \quad (32)$$

The eigenvalues can then be solved for using the quadratic equation:

$$\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(-2\alpha^2 + 4\alpha^4 + \frac{1}{4})}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm 2\alpha\sqrt{2 - 4\alpha^2}}{2}. \quad (33)$$

The Von Nuemann entanglement entropy is then calculated as follows:

$$S_1 = -Tr(\rho_A \ln \rho_A) = -Tr \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_+ & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_- \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ln \lambda_+ & 0 \\ 0 & \ln \lambda_- \end{bmatrix} \quad (34)$$

$$S_1 = -\lambda_+ \ln \lambda_+ - \lambda_- \ln \lambda_-. \quad (35)$$

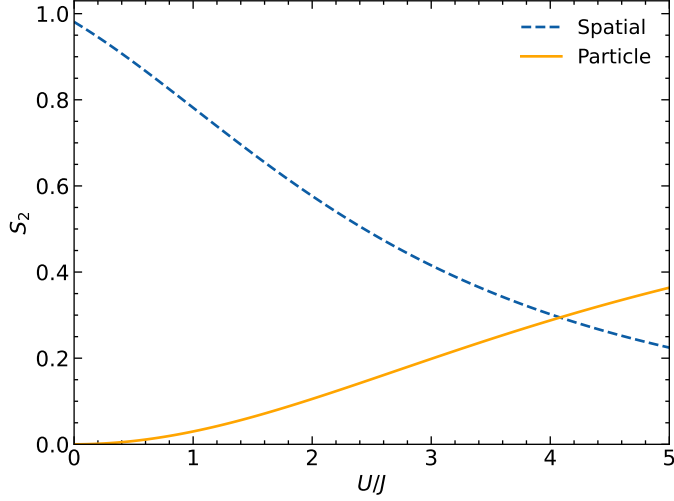


Figure 1: The figure above is a graph of the Renyi entanglement entropy for both spatial and particle bipartitions versus the ratio of the interaction term to the hopping term.

### 3 Discussion

#### 3.1 PIGSFLI Algorithm

A Monte Carlo simulation is a stochastic (random) method of integration, which allows for accurate estimations of desired values. Monte Carlo is necessary for situations where exact calculations are too computationally expensive, such as in the exact diagonalization of the reduced density matrix for high particle/site number Bose Hubbard systems. The size of the Hilbert space is calculated by Eq. (36) and shown by Fig. 2:

$$D = \frac{(N + L - 1)!}{(N)!(L - 1)!} \quad (36)$$

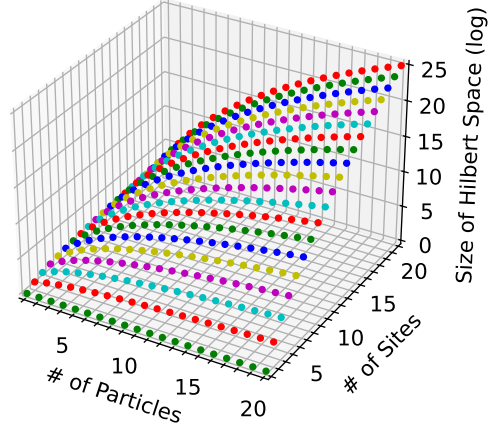


Figure 2: The figure above shows the size of the Hilbert space as a function of number of sites and particles. This 3-dimensional plot for the number of combinations in the Hilbert space goes up to 20 sites and 20 particles.

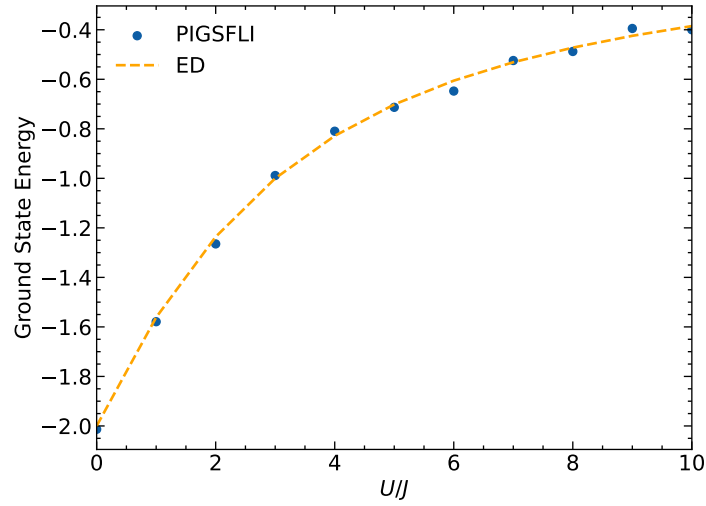


Figure 3: A plot of the ground state energy versus the ratio between  $U$ , the potential term, and  $J$ , the hopping term for both exact diagonalization and PIGSFLI algorithm. From this plot, the PIGSFLI results match very well to our ED calculation.

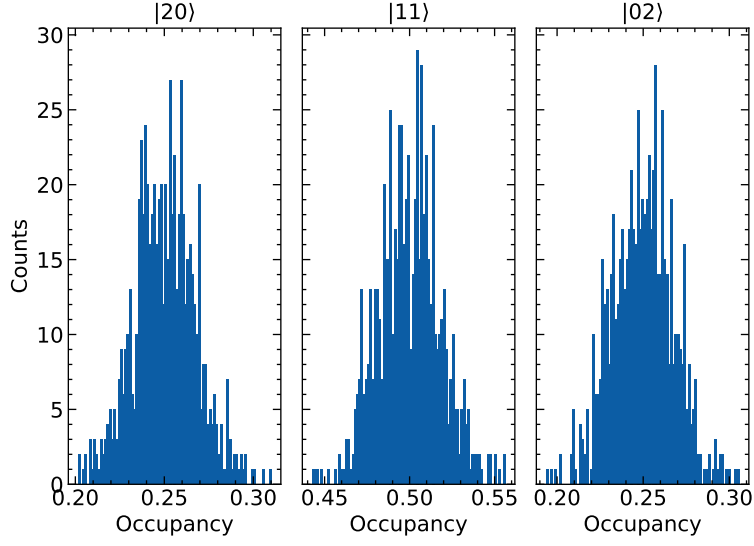


Figure 4: The figure above shows the histogram of the occupation number for the particle bipartition as a function of the ratio of the interaction term to the hopping term. This graph specifically shows the case where the interaction term is a tenth of the hopping term.

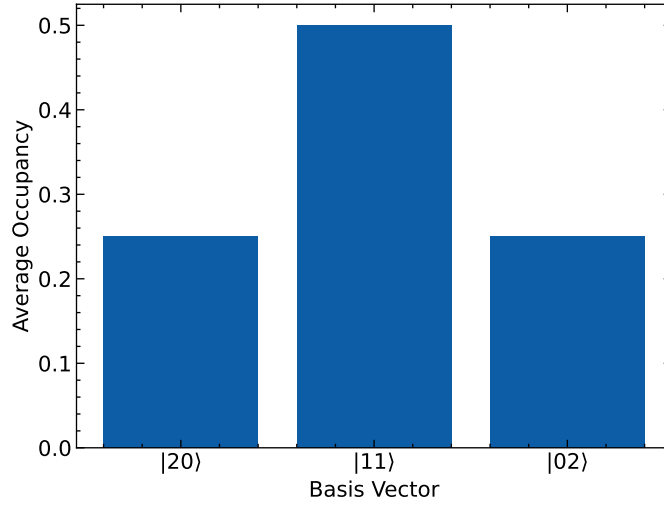


Figure 5: The figure above shows the average occupation number for the spatial bipartition as a function of the ratio of the interaction term to the hopping term. This graph specifically shows the case where the interaction term is a tenth of the hopping term.



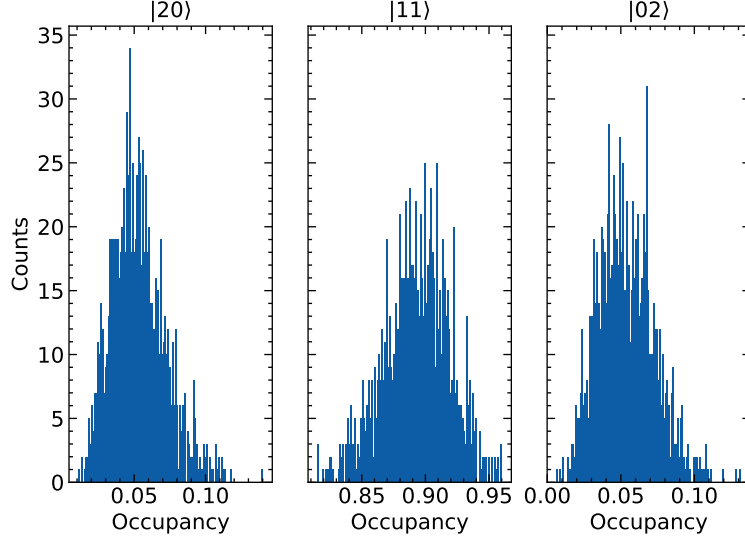


Figure 6: The figure above shows the histogram of the occupation number for the spatial bipartition as a function of the ratio of the interaction term to the hopping term. This graph specifically shows the case where the interaction term is 10 times the hopping term.

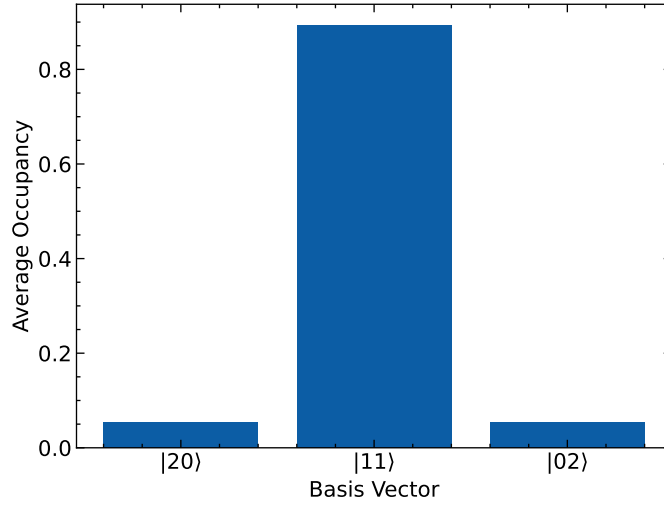


Figure 7: The figure above shows the average occupation number for the spatial bipartition as a function of the ratio of the interaction term to the hopping term. This graph specifically shows the case where the interaction term is 10 times the hopping term.

### 3.1.1 Comparison of PIGSFLI to Exact Diagonalization

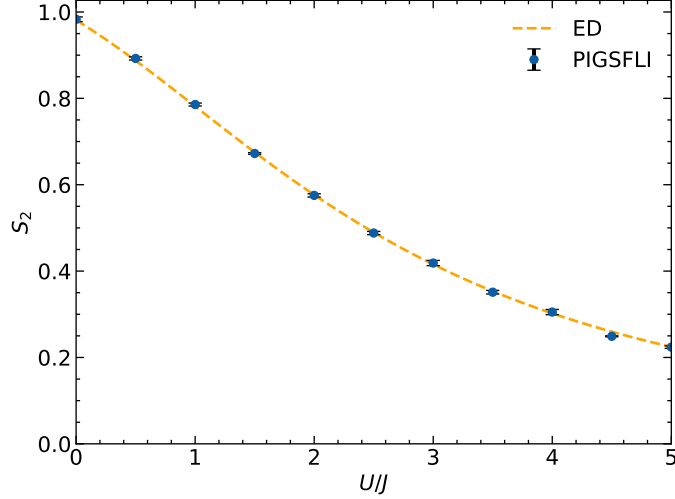


Figure 8: The second Rényi spatial entanglement entropy as a function of  $U/J$  for both exact diagonalization (ED) and PIGSFLI. This plot shows excellent agreement between the PIGSFLI estimation and that of our ED calculation, showing that PIGSFLI is a viable option for computation on much larger system sizes.

## 3.2 Introduction to Machine Learning for Scientists

While working with the DelMaestro group and attending lectures held during the QAO REU at the University of Tennessee Knoxville, I was exposed to machine learning as a tool for physicists and other scientists alike.

### 3.2.1 Applications of DNN to Physics

**Application:** Learning the Energy Potential

**Description:** Train network on small system sizes (which we know the exact solution for), then extrapolate for application of larger system sizes

**Application:** Phase Discrimination

**Description:** Supervised and un-supervised

**Application:** Variational Ansatz

**Description:**

**Application:** Solving the Schrodinger Equation

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**Application:** Speeding up Monte Carlo

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### 3.2.2 Basic Neural Networks

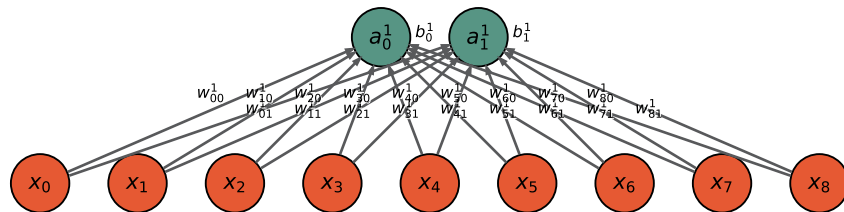


Figure 9: The figure above is an example of a simple feed-forward neural network, taking in nine inputs and returning two outputs.

**Neural Network:** non-linear function of many variables that depends on a large number of parameters

**Deep Neural Network:** a neural network with one or more hidden layers (i.e., not an input or output layer)

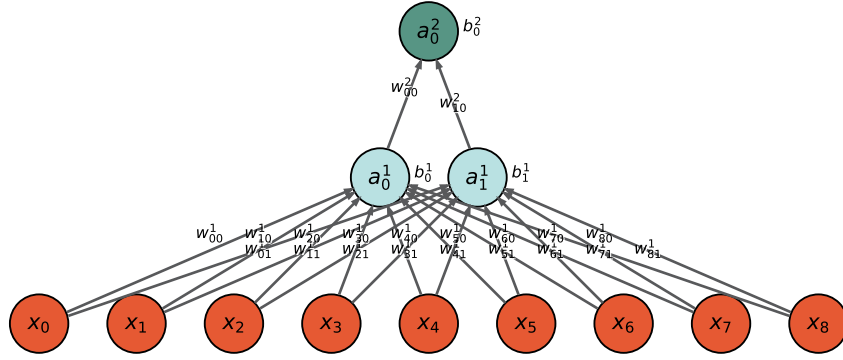


Figure 10: The figure above is an example of a simple feed-forward deep neural network, taking in nine inputs and returning one output with one hidden layer between the input and output layers.

### 3.2.3 Visualizing Feed Forward

Some examples to visualize complexity generated from simple feed forward neural network with 2 input parameters and 2 hidden layers with 200 nodes each are shown below:

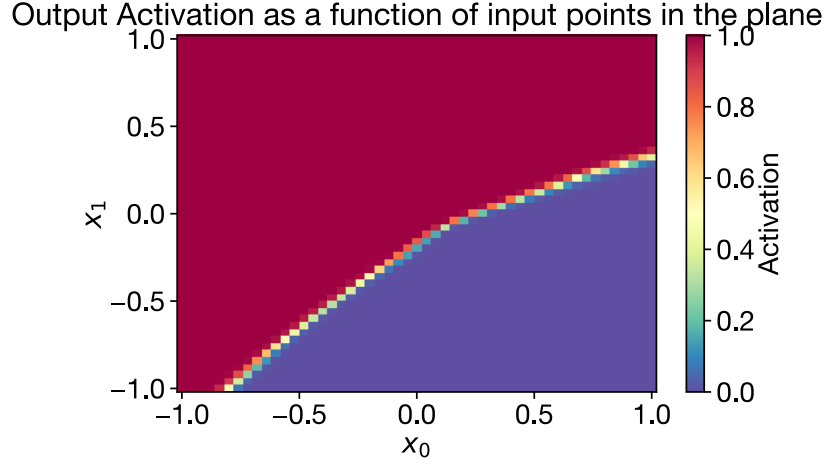


Figure 11: The figure above is the activation output as a function of the two input parameters  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ , which were randomly generated. The activation is calculated through use of the sigmoid function. Specifically, this is a heat map where the color is associated with the activation level.

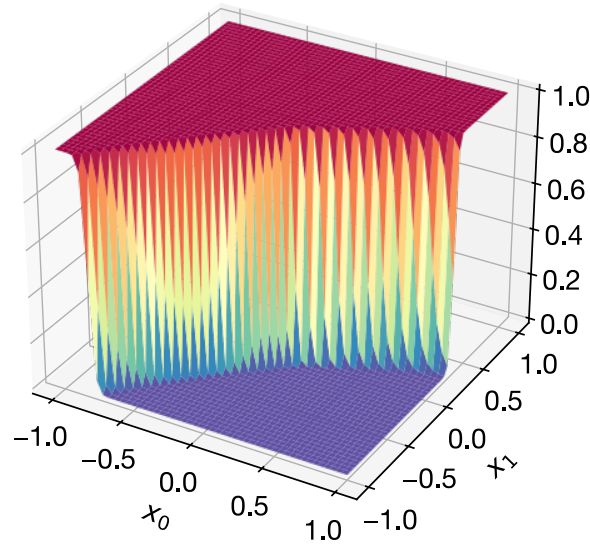


Figure 12: The figure above is the activation output as a function of the two parameters  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ , which were randomly generated. The activation is calculated through use of the sigmoid function. Specifically, this is a heat map in 3-dimensional space where the activation is the on the vertical axis.

### 3.2.4 Batch Processing

### 3.2.5 Linear Regression

#### 3.2.5.1 Linear Regression Example

The radioactive decay of an unknown sample is described by the following equation:

$$N(t) = N(0)e^{-t/\tau}, \quad (37)$$

where  $N(t)$  is the number of atoms at time  $t$ ,  $N(0)$  is the number of atoms at time  $t = 0$ ,  $t$  is the time in seconds, and  $\tau$  is the time constant of the decay. The above equation can be rearranged into a linear relationship of the form

$$\ln(N(t)) = \ln(N(0)) - \frac{1}{\tau}t. \quad (38)$$

For our simple feed forward neural network, this is similar to the following form:

$$F = w_0 + w_1t, \quad (39)$$

where  $F$  is the function we're trying to fit,  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  are the weights, which are (potentially non-linear) functions of the unknown parameters  $N(0)$  and  $\tau$ , and  $t$  is the time in seconds. Plotting the original data as well as the linear regression calculation, we find the following:

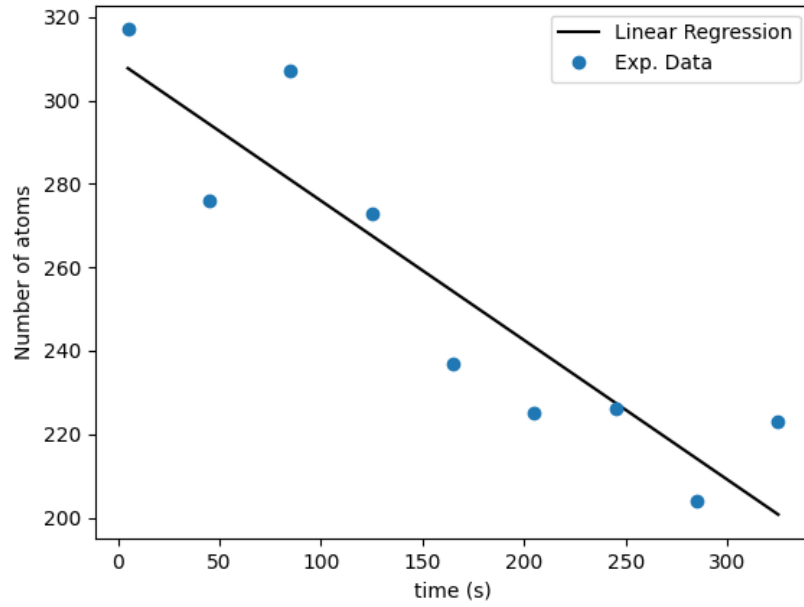


Figure 13: This figure is a plot of the number of atoms versus time passed in seconds. The blue data points in the figure above represent the experimental data and the black line represents the linear fit to this data using a simple feed-forward neural network.

### 3.2.6 Feature Maps

### 3.2.7 Model Complexity

## 4 Appendix A: More interesting details

Here are details in an Appendix.