

ENTANGLEMENT MEASURE OF PURE SYMMETRIC STATES VIA SPIN COHERENT STATES

ABSTRACT.

1. INTRODUCTION

2. SPIN COHERENT STATES

Any pure spin- j state $|\psi_j\rangle$ can be expanded in the standard angular momentum basis $\{|j, m\rangle : -j \leq m \leq +j\}$ of joint eigenstates of \mathbf{J}^2 and J_z as

$$(2.1) \quad |\psi_j\rangle = \sum_{m=-j}^{+j} c_m |j, m\rangle$$

with c_m complex coefficients such that $\sum_m |c_m|^2 = 1$.

Coherent states are eigenstates of $\mathbf{J} \cdot \epsilon$ with eigenvalue j , where ϵ is a unit vector pointing along a given direction. For spin- $\frac{1}{2}$, their general expression reads

$$(2.2) \quad |\tfrac{1}{2}, \epsilon\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\bar{\epsilon}\epsilon}} |\tfrac{1}{2}, \tfrac{1}{2}\rangle + \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{1+\bar{\epsilon}\epsilon}} |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle$$

More generally, a spin- j coherent state $|j, \epsilon\rangle$ has expansion

$$(2.3) \quad |j, \epsilon\rangle = \frac{1}{(1+\bar{\epsilon}\epsilon)^j} \sum_{m=-j}^{+j} \epsilon^{j+m} \sqrt{C_{2j}^{j+m}} |j, m\rangle$$

3. CORRESPONDANCE BETWEEN N-SPINORS STATES AND PURE SYMMETRIC STATES

As early as 1932, Majorana had proposed a connection between N-spinors and pure symmetric state that can be seen geometrically as a set of points in the Bloch sphere as follows[?].

$$(3.1) \quad |\frac{N}{2}, l - N\rangle = M \sum_p \hat{P} \{|\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_N\rangle\},$$

where

$$(3.2) \quad |\epsilon_l\rangle = \cos(\beta_l/2)e^{-i\alpha_l/2}|0\rangle + \sin(\beta_l/2)e^{i\alpha_l/2}|1\rangle, l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N.$$

and $|\frac{N}{2}, l - N\rangle$ is N-spinor, \hat{P} corresponds to the set of all N! permutations of qubits $\{|\epsilon_l\rangle\}$ and M is a normalization factor.

Every symmetric state of N qubits can be expressed in a unique way over the Dicke basis formed by the N + 1 joined eigenstates $\{|\frac{N}{2}, l - N\rangle\}$ of the collective operators $\hat{S}_Z = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\sigma}_i^Z$ and \hat{S}^2 , where $\hat{S} = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\sigma}_i$ as follows.

$$(3.3) \quad |\frac{N}{2}, l - N\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{C_l^N}} \left(\underbrace{|0, 0, \dots, 0\rangle}_l, \underbrace{|1, 1, \dots, 1\rangle}_{N-l} + \text{permutations} \right)$$

For $N = 2$, the pure symmetric state describe a *spin-1* particle, $|1, l - 2\rangle, l = 0, 1, 2$ each l correspond to a state of spin-1 particle $\{|j = 1, m = -1\rangle, |j = 1, m = 0\rangle, |j = 1, m = 1\rangle\}$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned} |j = 1, m = -1\rangle &\longrightarrow |\frac{N}{2} = 1, l - N = 0\rangle = |0, 0\rangle \\ |j = 1, m = 0\rangle &\longrightarrow |\frac{N}{2} = 1, l - N = -1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0, 1\rangle + |1, 0\rangle) \\ |j = 1, m = 1\rangle &\longrightarrow |\frac{N}{2} = 1, l - N = -2\rangle = |1, 1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

An arbitrary pure state of a spin-j can be expressed as.

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{m=-j}^j c'_m |j, m\rangle = \sum_{l=0}^N c_l |\frac{N}{2} = j, l - N\rangle,$$

In this way, we can decompose state of a spin-j into $2j$ *spin* $-\frac{1}{2}$ that can be geometrically represented by $2j$ points in the Bloch sphere.

There is a simple way to express the coefficients c_l in terms of the Majorana spinor orientations (α_l, β_l) [?], it may be first identified that an identical rotation $R \otimes R \dots \otimes R$ on the symmetric state transforms it into another symmetric state. Choosing $R^{-1}(\alpha_s, \beta_s) \otimes R^{-1}(\alpha_s, \beta_s) \otimes \dots \otimes R^{-1}(\alpha_s, \beta_s)$, where α_s, β_s correspond to the orientation of any one of the spinors

$$(3.5) \quad \langle 1, 1, \dots, 1 | R^{-1}(\alpha_s, \beta_s) \otimes R^{-1}(\alpha_s, \beta_s) \otimes \dots \otimes R^{-1}(\alpha_s, \beta_s) | \Psi_{sym} \rangle = 0.$$

This is because the rotation $R_s^{-1} \otimes R_s^{-1} \otimes \dots \otimes R_s^{-1}$ takes one of the spinors $|\epsilon_s\rangle$ with the orientation angles (α_s, β_s) to $|0\rangle$. There exist N rotations $R_s^{-1}, s = 1, 2, \dots, N$ which lead to the same result

$$(3.6) \quad \langle 1, 1, \dots, 1 | R_s^{-1} \otimes R_s^{-1} \otimes \dots \otimes R_s^{-1} \left\{ \sum_{l=0}^N c_l \left| \frac{N}{2}, l - N \right\rangle \right\} = 0.$$

or

$$(3.7) \quad \sum_{l=0}^N c_l \left\langle \frac{N}{2}, -\frac{N}{2} \right| R_s^{-1} \left| \frac{N}{2}, l - \frac{N}{2} \right\rangle = 0,$$

with $R_s^{-1} \equiv R_s^{-1} \otimes R_s^{-1} \otimes \dots \otimes R_s^{-1}$. This quantity can be expressed as follow

$$(3.8) \quad \sum_{l=0}^N c_l \left\langle \frac{N}{2}, -\frac{N}{2} \right| R_s^{-1} \left| \frac{N}{2}, l - \frac{N}{2} \right\rangle = \sum_{l=0}^N c_l (-1)^l \sqrt{C_l^N} \left(\cos \left(\frac{\beta_s}{2} \right) \right)^{N-l} \left(\sin \left(\frac{\beta_s}{2} \right) \right)^l e^{i(l - \frac{N}{2})\alpha_s} = 0$$

and simplifying, we obtain

$$(3.9) \quad A \sum_{l=0}^N c_l (-1)^l \sqrt{C_l^N} \epsilon^l = 0,$$

where $\epsilon = \tan \left(\frac{\beta_s}{2} \right) e^{i\alpha_s}$ and $A = \left(\cos \left(\frac{\beta_s}{2} \right) \right)^N e^{-i\alpha_s \frac{N}{2}}$. In other words, given the parameters c_l , the N -roots ϵ_s determine the orientations (α_s, β_s) of the spinors constituting the N -qubit symmetric state.

The case where $c_l = \eta^l \sqrt{C_l^N}$, the equation (3.9) become

$$(3.10) \quad (\epsilon\eta - 1)^N = 0,$$

with one solution $\epsilon = \frac{1}{\eta}$ that means, all the stars in the Bloch sphere coincide in a single point, this case represents a coherent state where all the $|\epsilon_i\rangle$ are equal then we have

$$(3.11) \quad |j, \epsilon\rangle = \underbrace{|\epsilon, \epsilon, \dots, \epsilon\rangle}_{2j} = \frac{1}{(1 + \bar{\epsilon}\epsilon)^j} \sum_{m=-j}^{+j} \epsilon^{j+m} \sqrt{C_{2j}^{j+m}} |j, m\rangle$$

4. ENTANGLEMENT CLASSES FOR TRIPARTITE SYMMETRIC STATES

In the case of tripartite states, several classes can be defined, apart from fully separable states and fully entangled states, a new concept appears is the partially separable states. There is also others classes that we call $|W\rangle$ and $|GHZ\rangle$ states.

It is known that two pure states $|\psi\rangle$ and $|\phi\rangle$ are in the same class if they are related by SLOCC operator with non-zero probability.

Tripartite symmetric states can generally expressed as follow

$$(4.1) \quad |\frac{N}{2}, l - N\rangle = M \sum_p \hat{P} \{|\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3\rangle\},$$

In the case when all the three qubits $\{|\epsilon_i\rangle\}$ are equal, we have separable states which are in this case coherent states. When two of the three qubits are equal $M \sum_p \hat{P} \{|\epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\rangle\}$ this state can be related by a SLOCC operator with the state $|W\rangle = |001\rangle + |010\rangle + |100\rangle$ so we can define the **W** class as $|W\rangle = M \sum_p \hat{P} \{|\epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\rangle\}$ that can be represented in the Bloch sphere as 2 points one of theme is degenerate 2 times. The third class is the **GHZ** that can be defined as follow $|GHZ\rangle = M \sum_p \hat{P} \{|\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3\rangle\}$ with : $\epsilon_1 \neq \epsilon_2 \neq \epsilon_3$, geometrically can be seen as 3 distinct points in the Bloch sphere.

We can also classify the tripartite symmetric states, based on the concept of tangle $\tau_{ABC} = \tau_{A(BC)} - \tau_{AB} - \tau_{AC}$. The tangle can be seen as the discriminant of the polynomial $P(\epsilon) = c_0 - c_1\sqrt{3}\epsilon + c_2\sqrt{3}\epsilon^2 - c_3\epsilon^3$.

$$\tau_{ABC} \propto (\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)^2(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_3)^2(\epsilon_2 - \epsilon_3)^2$$

It is clear that $\tau_{ABC} \neq 0$, $\epsilon_1 \neq \epsilon_2 \neq \epsilon_3$ correspond to **GHZ** class. The vanishing of the tangle indicate the **W** or separable class,

5. ENTANGLEMENT MEASURE OF **W** STATES

The case when $N=2$ in symmetric states (*Bipartite qubit states*) we have $|\psi\rangle = c_0 |0,0\rangle + c_1/\sqrt{2}(|0,1\rangle + |1,0\rangle) + c_2 |1,1\rangle$. to write $|\psi\rangle$ as a symmetric state of two qubits we must solve the equation $\sum_{l=0}^N c_l (-1)^l \sqrt{C_l^N} \epsilon^l = 0$, in the case $N=2$

$$(5.1) \quad c_0 - c_1 \sqrt{2}\epsilon + c_2 \epsilon^2 = 0 \implies \begin{aligned} \epsilon_1 &= \frac{c_1 \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2c_1^2 - 4c_0 c_2}}{2c_2} \\ \epsilon_2 &= \frac{c_1 \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2c_1^2 - 4c_0 c_2}}{2c_2} \end{aligned}$$

We have separability when $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 \Leftrightarrow |2c_1^2 - 4c_0 c_2| = 0$. This quantity can be seen also as concurrence, which can be defined as a distance separate the two points on the Bloch sphere.

This quantity in terms of ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 can be written as follow:

$$(5.2) \quad |(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)^2| = 0$$

It is clear that the concurrence represents a distance between the two points on the Bloch sphere.

In the case $N=3$, we have three points on the Bloch sphere, the measure via the distance between them is not evident to be a measure of entanglement but in the case of **W** class, we have just two points on the Bloch sphere and the distance between them is a good candidate to be a measure of entanglement of **W** class.

In order to have a condition of separability in case of tripartite symmetric state, this equation $c_0 - c_1 \sqrt{3}\epsilon + c_2 \sqrt{3}\epsilon^2 - c_3 \epsilon^3 = 0$ must have one solution. The condition to have it, is as follow:

$$(5.3) \quad \begin{aligned} P(\epsilon) &= c_0 - c_1 \sqrt{3}\epsilon + c_2 \sqrt{3}\epsilon^2 - c_3 \epsilon^3 &= 0 \\ P'(\epsilon) &= -c_1 \sqrt{3} + 2c_2 \sqrt{3}\epsilon - 3c_3 \epsilon^2 &= 0 \\ P''(\epsilon) &= 2c_2 \sqrt{3} - 6c_3 \epsilon &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then we can have the separability criterion in more simple way:

$$(5.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \left(\frac{c_2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{3}} c_3 &= 0 \\ c_0 c_3 - \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{3}} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

In the case of **W** class ($|W\rangle = M \sum_p \hat{P} \{|\epsilon_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\rangle\}$), if we write these conditions in terms of ϵ_1, ϵ_2 , we will find the same condition as the concurrence $|(\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2)^2| = 0$. That can be seen as minimum distance between our **W** state and the separable state which can be a measure of entanglement.

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