

Quantum correlations V

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- Quantum composite systems.
- In this lecture we describe the quantization of classical composite systems.
- We remind, classical composite systems were discussed in the second lecture.
- Analogously to description of classical composite systems we will assume only the logical independence.
- Therefore, neither dynamical nor statistical independence will not be assumed.
- Consequently, we define:

- A quantum composite system will be determined by the quadruple

$$(\mathfrak{A} \equiv \mathfrak{A}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{A}_2, \mathfrak{S} \equiv \mathfrak{S}_{\mathfrak{A}}, \{T_t\}, \varphi_0) \quad (1)$$

where \mathfrak{A} (so also \mathfrak{A}_i) stands either for a C^* -algebra or a W^* -algebra.

- Moreover, if \mathfrak{A} is a C^* -algebra (W^* -algebra) then \mathfrak{S} stands for the set of all states on the global system \mathfrak{A} (all density matrices - normal states on global system respectively).
- $\{T_t\}$ stands for the set of dynamical maps.
- φ_0 is a distinguished state (playing the role of distinguished probability measure).

- Frequently, it is convenient to think that the algebra \mathfrak{A}_i is associated with some particular region (in \mathbb{R}^k), $i = 1, 2$, cf examples given in the third lecture.
- Let us consider the form of the second ingredient \mathfrak{S} of the above definition (so the set of normalized, positive linear forms on $\mathfrak{A}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{A}_2$).
- The first attempt, following the classical case, would be to put $\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{S}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{S}_2$ or $\mathfrak{S} = \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathfrak{S}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{S}_2)$.
- Surprisingly these sets do not contain all states.
- Namely, one has (see exercise 11.5.11 Kadison-Ringrose book!)

- **Example 1.** Let $\mathfrak{A}_1 = B(\mathcal{H})$ and $\mathfrak{A}_2 = B(\mathcal{K})$ where \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} are 2-dimensional Hilbert spaces. Consider the vector state $\omega_x(\cdot) = (x, \cdot | x)$ with $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1 \otimes f_1 + e_2 \otimes f_2)$ where $\{e_1, e_2\}$ and $\{f_1, f_2\}$ are orthonormal bases in \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} respectively. Let ρ be any state in the norm closure of the convex hull of product states, i.e. $\rho \in \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathfrak{S}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{S}_2)$. Then, one can show that

$$\|\omega_x - \rho\| \geq \frac{1}{4}. \quad (2)$$

- **Remark 2.** One should note that ω_x can always be approximated by a finite linear combination of simple tensors (as it was explained in the fourth lecture). However, here we wish to approximate ω_x by a convex combination of positive (normalized) functionals and this makes the difference.

- Consequently, contrary to the classical case even in the simplest non-commutative case, the space of all states of $\mathfrak{A}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{A}_2$ is not norm closure of $conv(\mathfrak{S}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{S}_2)$.
- *It means, in mathematical terms, that for non-commutative case the weak* Riemann approximation property of a (classical) measure does not hold, in general!*
- Thus, it is natural to distinguish states having analogous form to that appearing for classical composite systems.
- Hence we have:

- **Definition 3.** – *C*-algebra case.*

Let $\mathfrak{A}_i, i = 1, 2$ be a C^* -algebra, \mathfrak{S} the set of all states on $\mathfrak{A} \equiv \mathfrak{A}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{A}_1$, i.e. the set of all normalized positive forms on \mathfrak{A} . The subset $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathfrak{S}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{S}_2)$ in \mathfrak{S} will be called the set of separable states and will be denoted by $\mathfrak{S}_{\text{sep}}$. The closure is taken with respect to the norm of \mathfrak{A}^* . The subset $\mathfrak{S} \setminus \mathfrak{S}_{\text{sep}} \subset \mathfrak{S}$ is called the subset of entangled states.

- *W*-algebra case.*

Let $\mathfrak{M}_i, i = 1, 2$ be a W^* -algebra, $\mathfrak{M} = \mathfrak{M}_1 \otimes \mathfrak{M}_2$ be the spacial tensor product of \mathfrak{M}_1 and \mathfrak{M}_2 , \mathfrak{S} the set of all states on \mathfrak{M} , and \mathfrak{S}^n the set of all normal states on \mathfrak{M} , i.e. the set of all normalized, weakly*-continuous positive forms on \mathfrak{M} (equivalently, the set of all density matrices). The subset $\overline{\text{conv}}^\pi(\mathfrak{S}_1^n \otimes \mathfrak{S}_2^n)$ in \mathfrak{S}^n will be called the set of separable states and will be denoted by $\mathfrak{S}_{\text{sep}}^n$. The closure is taken with respect to the operator space projective norm on $\mathfrak{M}_{1,*} \odot \mathfrak{M}_{2,*}$. The subset $\mathfrak{S}^n \setminus \mathfrak{S}_{\text{sep}}^n \subset \mathfrak{S}^n$ is called the subset of normal entangled states.

- **Remark 4.** 1. As a separable state has the form of an arbitrary classical state (presented in the second lecture), it is naturally to adopt the convention that \mathfrak{S}_{sep} (\mathfrak{S}_{sep}^n) contains only *classical correlations*.
2. The set of entangled states is the set where *the quantum (so extra) correlations can occur*.
3. The difference between C^* -algebra case and W^* -algebra case stems from the Grothendieck's theory of tensor products.
4. In particular, the exposition given in the last lecture shows how naturally the projective tensor product is appearing in Definition 3.

5. Furthermore, to appreciate the use of projective topology, we recall that the set of all normal states on \mathfrak{M} is weakly-* dense in the set of all states on \mathfrak{M} ; see Bratteli, Robinson book.
6. The principal significance of normality of a state, from physical point of view, follows from existence of the number operator, see vol II of Bratteli, Robinson book. In other words, a normal state corresponds to such situation when the number of particles has well defined sense.

- Having defined separable, and entangled states we turn to the question why other arguments, leading to the general form of two points correlation function, are not working in the non-commutative setting.
- Our first observation is the following:

- **Fact 5.** 1. *classical case.*

Let δ_a be a Dirac's measure on a product measure space, i.e. δ_a is given on $\Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2$. Note that the marginal of the point measure δ_a gives another point measure, i.e. $\delta_a|_{\Gamma_1} = \delta_{a_1}$. Here we put $a \in \Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2$, $a = (a_1, a_2)$. The same in "physical terms" reads: a reduction of a pure state is again a pure state.

2. *non-commutative case.*

Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} are finite dimensional Hilbert spaces. Without loss of generality we can assume that $\dim\mathcal{H}=\dim\mathcal{K}=n$.

Let $\omega_x(\cdot) = (x, \cdot | x)$ be a state on $B(\mathcal{H}) \otimes B(\mathcal{K})$ where x is assumed to be of the form

$$x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\sum_i e_i \otimes f_i \right) \quad (3)$$

(so $\omega_x(\cdot)$ is a fully entangled state).

Here $\{e_i\}$ and $\{f_i\}$ are basis in \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} respectively.

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \omega_x(A \otimes \mathbb{1}) &= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_i e_i \otimes f_i, A \otimes \mathbb{1} \sum_j e_j \otimes f_j \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i,j} (e_i, A e_j) (f_i, f_j) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1} A \equiv \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}} \varrho_0 A,
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

where $\varrho_0 = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1}$ is “very non pure” state.

3. In other words, the non-commutative counterpart of the marginal of a point measure (pure state) does not need to be again a point measure (pure state).
4. Consequently, the crucial ingredient of the discussion, given in the second lecture, leading to the general form of two point (classical) correlation function is not valid in non-commutative case.

- The next difficulty follows from the geometrical characterization of the set of states.
- Namely, in geometrical description of a convex set in finite dimensional spaces one can distinguish two kinds of convex closed sets: simplexes and non-simplexes. **Relevant illustrations were given in the first lectures!**
- Let K be a convex compact set. From Krein-Milman theorem, the set K has extreme points $\{k_i\}$ and $K = \overline{\text{conv}} \{k_i\}$.
- Thus K is a convex hull of its extreme points $\{k_i\}$.
- If any point of K can be given uniquely as convex combination of extreme points then K is called a simplex.
- For example, a triangle is a simplex, but a circle is not a simplex. This gives an intuition.

- However, here, considering infinite dimensional algebras, **so genuine quantum systems!**, and being interested in certain subsets of positive forms on these algebras, the definition of Choquet is more suitable.
- *Let K be a base of a convex cone C with apex at the origin. The cone C gives rise to the order \leq ($a \leq b$ if and only if $b - a \in C$). K is said to be a simplex if C equipped with the order \leq is a lattice.*
- (Lattice is a partially ordered set in which every two elements have a supremum and an infimum).
- The importance of this notion follows from the well known result saying that in the classical case, the set of all states forms a simplex while this is not true for the quantum case. More precisely:

- **Proposition 6.** *Let \mathfrak{A} be a C^* -algebra. Then the following conditions are equivalent*
 1. *The state space $\mathfrak{S}_{\mathfrak{A}}$ is a simplex.*
 2. *\mathfrak{A} is abelian algebra.*
 3. *Positive elements \mathfrak{A}^+ of \mathfrak{A} form a lattice.*
- Therefore in quantum case the set of states is not a simplex (contrary to the classical case).
- Consequently, in quantum case, all possible decompositions of a given state should be taken into account.
- This should make clear why decomposition theory is absolutely necessary.

- We wish to close this section with a basic package of terminology used in open systems and quantum information theory (so also in an analysis of quantum composite systems).
- On the one hand, this is a feature of quantum composite systems. On the other hand, **we will need material for an analysis of PPT states.**
- A linear map $\alpha : B(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{K})$ is called k -positive if a map $id_{M_k} \otimes \alpha : M_k \otimes B(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow M_k \otimes B(\mathcal{K})$ is positive, where $M_k \equiv M_k(\mathbb{C})$ denotes the algebra of $k \times k$ matrices with complex entries.
- A map α is called completely positive if it is k -positive for any k .
- A completely positive map α will be shortly called a CP map.

- A positive map $\alpha : B(\mathcal{H}) \longrightarrow B(\mathcal{K})$ is called *decomposable* if there are completely positive maps $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 : B(\mathcal{H}) \longrightarrow B(\mathcal{K})$ such that $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \circ \tau_{\mathcal{H}}$, where $\tau_{\mathcal{H}}$ stands for a transposition map on $B(\mathcal{H})$.
- Let \mathcal{P} , \mathcal{P}_c and \mathcal{P}_d denote the set of all positive, completely positive and decomposable maps from $B(\mathcal{H})$ to $B(\mathcal{K})$, respectively.
- Note that

$$\mathcal{P}_c \subset \mathcal{P}_d \subset \mathcal{P}$$

- Finally, let us define the family of *PPT* (transposable) states on $B(\mathcal{H}) \otimes B(\mathcal{K})$

$$\mathfrak{S}_{PPT} = \{\varphi \in \mathfrak{S} : \varphi \circ (id_{B(\mathcal{H})} \otimes \tau_{\mathcal{K}}) \in \mathfrak{S}\}. \quad (5)$$

where, as before, $\tau_{\mathcal{K}}$ stands for the transposition map, now defined on $B(\mathcal{K})$.

- $\tau_{\mathcal{K}}$ - the transposition map - is a positive map but not completely positive.
- Consequently, the condition appearing in the definition of PPT states is not trivial!.
- Note that due to the positivity of the transposition $\tau_{\mathcal{K}}$ every separable state φ is transposable, so

$$\mathfrak{S}_{sep} \subset \mathfrak{S}_{PPT} \subset \mathfrak{S}.$$