Complexity, Entanglement, and Stabilizer Entropy

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This is our 800th anniversary!



Quantumness, Entanglement and non-Stabilizerness What makes a system quantum?



Quantumness

- <u>Probabilistic theory</u> (shared with classical)
- Incompatible observables (uncertainty principle)
- entangled states
- Bell's inequalities
- quantum advantage and universal quantum computers
- quantum chaos
- special properties at equilibrium and not of quantum many-body systems - quantum simulation

Bell's inequalities (CHSH)



 $|\langle ab \rangle + \langle a'b \rangle + \langle ab' \rangle - \langle a'b' \rangle| \le 2$

We know that there are separable measurements that violate the CHSH inequality

Why? Entanglement (?)



Entanglement $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \quad \psi_A = \mathrm{Tr}_B \psi$ Not all density matrices are separable **Rényi entropies** $S(\psi_A) = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \log \operatorname{Tr} \psi_A^{\alpha}$

Is entanglement enough?



All these evolutions maximally entangle the state, but they feature increasing complexity



Entanglement in quantum manybody systems...and?

Entanglement is of fundamental importance in QMB systems because:

- 1. It determines the hardness of simulation by tensor network methods
- 2. It detects exotic phases of matter like topological states
- **3. explains the structure of CFTs**
- 4. gives an explanation of thermalization in closed quantum systems

How complex is this entanglement?





Entanglement Complexity



Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 240501 (2014); Phys. Rev. B 96, 020408 (2017) Phys. Rev. B 107, 134202 (2023) Entanglement Spectrum Statistics shows different patterns of complexity of entanglement described by RMT and distinguishing ETH, Integrable models and MBL

$$\delta_{j} = \lambda_{j+1} - \lambda_{j}$$
$$r_{k} = \frac{\delta_{k+1}}{\delta_{k}}$$
$$\tilde{r}_{k} = \frac{\min[\delta_{k+1}, \delta_{k}]}{\max[\delta_{k+1}, \delta_{k}]}$$

Spectral rigidity in RKsign model

$$|\psi(\lambda)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z(\lambda)}} \sum_{\sigma} W_{\sigma} e^{-\lambda E_{\sigma}} |\sigma\rangle$$





Quantum circuits can be very complex and thus hard to simulate



FACT: circuits with only H, S, C_X are benign: why?

both learning and simulating are exp(2n) costly. Of course, it would be easy without entangling gates



Quantum circuits can be very simple

These stringy objects are easy to manipulate, we need 4n bits

 $X_1 I_2 Z_3 Z_4 Y_5 X_6 \dots Y_n$

These processes are easy, n^2 matrix elements

 $HXH = Z \quad HZH = X$ $CX_1C = X_1X_2 \quad ZXZ = -X$ $SXS^{\dagger} = Y \quad CZ_2C = Z_1Z_2$

Clifford group: centralizer of Pauli group. Strings are mapped into strings

 $P \mapsto C^{\dagger} P C = P'$

Gottesman et al : Clifford group is easy to both learn and simulate: poly(n)

Simulating t-doped circuits ~ poly (n) exp (t)

S. Bravyi and D. Gosset, PRL 116 (250501)

Clifford operations, computational basis states: STABILIZER resources



The t-doped random **Clifford circuit**

transition to quantum chaos

- A T-doped random Clifford circuit is a circuit made with the benign gates H,P,C_X injected with some **T**-gates
- As the number *t* of T-gates increases, we inject more SE in the circuit
- Its quantum complexity increases, driving a transition from Clifford circuits to more generic circuits





Quantum Chaos is Quantum L. Leone, S.F.E. Oliviero, Y. Zhou, AH Quantum 5, 453 (2021)



Magic (non-Stabilizerness)



What is magic?

Magic quantifies the distance from the Free (Clifford) resources

$$M_{\text{dist}}(\psi) := \min_{\sigma \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{2} \|\psi - \sigma\|_{1}$$

Unfortunately such distances are uncomputable and unmeasurable

Free States for stabilizer formalism

 $PSTAB = \{C|i_1 \dots i_n\} : C \in \mathcal{C}(d^n)\}$ $STAB0 := \{states purified in PSTAB\}$ $STAB1 := \{Hull[PSTAB]\}$

One can establish STABO as $STAB0 := \{\psi : m_2(\psi) = 0\}$

m2 is an entropic measure of magic



Non-stabilizerness = String entropy

- Strings proliferate because of non Clifford unitaries
- The linear combination of strings comes with a weight. This weight represents the probability that such a string would be the outcome of a measurement

Example: consider the evolution of a string with two T operations

 $X_1 I_2 T_3 X_3 T_3^{\dagger} Z_4 Y_5 T_k X_k T_k^{\dagger} \dots Y_n$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X-Y) \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X-Y)$

String entropy = Stabilizer Entropy SE

$$S_{\alpha}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \log \sum_{x} p^{\alpha}(x)$$
$$\rho = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{P} \operatorname{tr}(P\rho)P$$
$$m_{2}(\rho) = -\log\left(\frac{d^{-1}\sum_{P} \operatorname{tr}^{4}(P\rho)}{\operatorname{Pur}\rho}\right)$$

SE is a good monotone for pure states and a good proxy in the resource theory for mixed states

Stabilizer Rényi Entropy L. Leone, S.F.E. Oliviero, AH Physical Review Letters, 128, 050402 (2022)



SE can be measured





Measuring Magic on a Quantum Processor L. Leone, S.F.E. Oliviero, AH, S. Lloyd Nature Physics Quantum Inf 8, 148 (2022)



Interplay between SE and Entanglement Bell's inequalities, anti-flatness, scrambling



Bell's inequalities



 $|\langle ab \rangle + \langle a'b \rangle +$

Let B_0 be made of just Pauli measurements for both Bob and Alice

 $\sup_{C} tr \left(B_0 \mathbf{C} \right)$

 $\Delta B = cm(U)$

Bell's violation is measured by SE

$$|\langle ab' \rangle - \langle a'b' \rangle| \le 2$$

$$C\omega_0 C^{\dagger}) \leq 2$$

This state can be maximally entangled!

anti-flatness = scrambled magic



the interplay between SE and entanglement gives rise to scrambled magic and quantum complexity

$$\Lambda_A = \frac{Tr[\rho_A^3]}{(Tr[\rho_A^2])^2}$$

We propose scrambled, non-local magic as a probe and measure of the resource of quantum complexity in many-body systems

$$m^{NL}(\psi) = \min_{U_A \otimes U_B} m_2 \left[U_A \otimes U_B(\psi) \right]$$



Scrambling

- 1. Quantum chaos depends on the *quantum butterfly effect*: far away influences can have dramatic effects everywhere
- 2. In order for a perturbation to spread everywhere, its operator needs to fragment and grow: it is a combination of entanglement and string entropy, that is, **SE**
- 3. If there is chaos, there is scrambling, and scrambling can be measured by the decay of correlations: OTOC

OTOC:

$$\Omega_{AD}(U_t) = \frac{1}{2^n} \langle \operatorname{tr}(P_A U_t^{\dagger} P_D U_t P_A U_t^{\dagger} P_D U_t) \rangle$$

scrambling condition:



quantum chaos is reached when SE is maximal

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Magic and quantum protocols verification, learning, decoding black holes



Quantum certification

- What do we need to achieve quantum advantage? A magic M scaling with the number of qubits
- 2. Quantum computers are notoriously fragile. One needs to check if they are doing what they promise, measuring a *fidelity*
- 3. Measuring the fidelity turns to be harder as the quantum computer is more advantageous, another sign of fragility!

quantum complexity = hardness in certification

The number of resources N_{ψ} needed to ascertain the fidelity \mathcal{F} with accuracy ε and success probability $1 - \delta$ is bounded as

$$\frac{2}{\epsilon^2} \ln \frac{2}{\delta} \exp[M_2(\psi)] \le N_{\tilde{\psi}} \le \frac{64}{\epsilon^4} \ln \frac{2}{\delta} \exp[M_0(\psi)]$$

Nonstabilizerness determining the hardness of direct fidelity estimation L. Leone, S.F.E. Oliviero, AH Phys. Rev. A 107, 022429



Learning t-doped stab states

- Given a *t*-doped Clifford Circuit, a *t*-doped stabilizer state is defined as $|\psi_t\rangle \equiv C_t |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$ • For any t $|\psi_t\rangle\langle\psi_t| \equiv 2^{t-n} \left(\mathbb{I} + \sum_{i=1}^k \operatorname{tr}(h_i)\right)$ is defined as • Elements of $H_{and} \Pi_{commute.}$
- For t < n it holds that: $|\psi_t
 angle \equiv ilde{\mathcal{D}}_{G(C_t)}|\phi$

learning by compressing

the stabilizer entropy requires

L Leone, SFE Oliviero, AH **Learning t-doped stabilizer states** Quantum 2024-05-27, volume 8, page 1361

$$\psi_{i}|\psi_{t}\rangle\langle\psi_{t}|)h_{i}\bigg)\underbrace{\left(\prod_{j}^{|G_{\psi_{t}}|}\left(\frac{\mathbb{I}+\phi_{j}g_{j}}{2}\right)\right)}_{\Pi}$$

$$\left| b_t \right\rangle \otimes \left| 0 \right\rangle^{n-t}$$

 $\mathcal{O}(\exp(t)\operatorname{poly}(n))$ \mathcal{O}



Quantum correlations

spatial correlations:

I(A|B) = S(A) + S(B) - S(AB)

space-time correlations:

I(A|D) = S(A) + S(D) - S(AD)

All the information of A is encoded by the entanglement with R



The channel *E* goes from A to DB'

 $\mathcal{E}: |A\rangle \mapsto \mathrm{tr}_{RC} \Psi_t$



Decoupling theorem

$I(R|DB') \equiv |A| + \log 2^{2|A|} \Omega_{AD}(U_t)$

So if the U is scrambling A is perfectly correlated with the output DB':

$I(R|DB') = |A| - \epsilon$ $|D| = |A| + \log \epsilon^{-1/2}$

How do we recover |RA'> from

the output DB'?



We need U = V^T for this to work, but U is actually inaccessible. What can we do? can we learn U?

Hayden-Preskill, JHEP 2007, 120 Kitaev-Yoshida, 1710.03363



Efficient decoder learning

Imagine there are some preserved **Clifford orbits:**

 $G_{\Lambda}(U_t) := \{ P \in \mathbb{P}_{\Lambda} \mid U_t^{\dagger} P U_t \in \mathbb{P}_n \}$

 $P \in G_D(U_t), \quad V^{\dagger}PV = U_t^{\dagger}PU_t$

The randomizer R completes V in a random way, keeping it Clifford

 $\mathcal{F}_V(U_t) \simeq \frac{1}{1 + \frac{d_A^2 - 1}{|Q| - (U_t)|}} \ge \frac{1}{1 + 2^{2|A| + t - 2|D|}}$

perfect fidelity for t<n; then degradation occurs

We effectively pushed SE in the subsystem F of D

It is *very important* to notice that V is not U!



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Black holes are scramblers that leak information

The black hole is an information scrambler. Recovering the information requires to be able to unscramble





"Alice laughed. 'There's no use trying,' she said. 'One can't believe impossible things.'

I daresay you haven't had much practice,' said the Queen. 'When I was your age, I always did it for half-an-hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast.





However, the price for simulating the black hole is poly(n)! How can a complex U be decoded by a simple U? This sounds quite incredible!

SE and EE in quantum many-body systems



SE and entanglement

Anti-flatness of the entanglement spectrum: entanglement is needed to have a spectrum to start with

On the other hand, *magic*, makes the spectrum bend: non magic = FLAT

Average on C is actually magic!

 $\mathcal{F}_A(\psi) = \mathrm{Tr}\psi_A^3 - \mathrm{Tr}^2\psi_A^2$ $\langle \mathcal{F}_A(C\psi) \rangle_C = \alpha(d, d_A) M_{lin}$



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$$_{n}(|\psi\rangle)$$



SE in quantum spin chains





A stabilizer gap separates integrable from non integrable systems

work in progress...



Holography and scrambled magic



AdS-CFT correspondence

- Holography states that quantum field theory on the boundary is equivalent to GR in the bulk
- Breakthrough: RT formula. Entanglement in CFT (quantum) is equivalent to minimal surface in AdS (solution to Einstein equations)
- But what about gravity? Gravity needs back-reaction. This can be measured to the susceptibility of areas to matter = tension



Big Question:

what is the holographic dual of back-reaction?



The holographic dual of gravity is magic

- The intuition is: by RT formula, we know that surfaces are Rényi entropies, and tension are susceptibility to the Rényi index n
- figure of speech: without tension, a drum gives no sound.
- However, without SE, all spectra must be flat: somehow SE is involved in tension and thus in back-reaction

C Cao, G Cheng, AH, L Leone, W Munizzi, SFE Oliviero, 2403.07056 local unitary transformations $U_A \otimes U_B$ cannot change the spectra so have no holographic meaning. What then?

$$\frac{1}{(4G)^2} \frac{\partial \gamma_A}{\partial \mathcal{T}} \propto m^{NL}(\psi)$$

the holographic dual of back-reaction is (*nonlocal*) magic



(partial) list of open problems

- Scrambling in shallow t-doped circuits
- SE as purification resource
- correlations between SE and EE
- resource theory of non-local magic
- non-local magic susceptibility and topological order
- SE in the SYK model
- stabilization and disentangling in temperature
- gravity and non local magic in AdS-CFT
- SE and non-locality/non-realism

