

# (Bound) Entanglement Detection with Mutually Unbiased Bases

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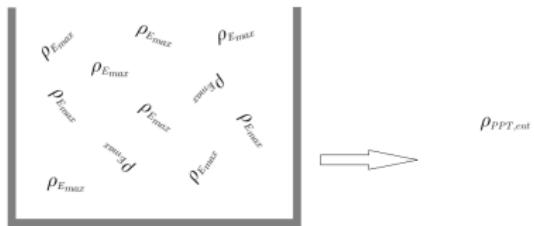
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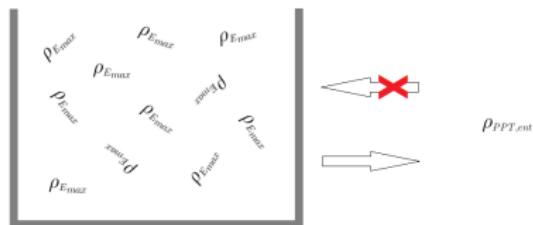
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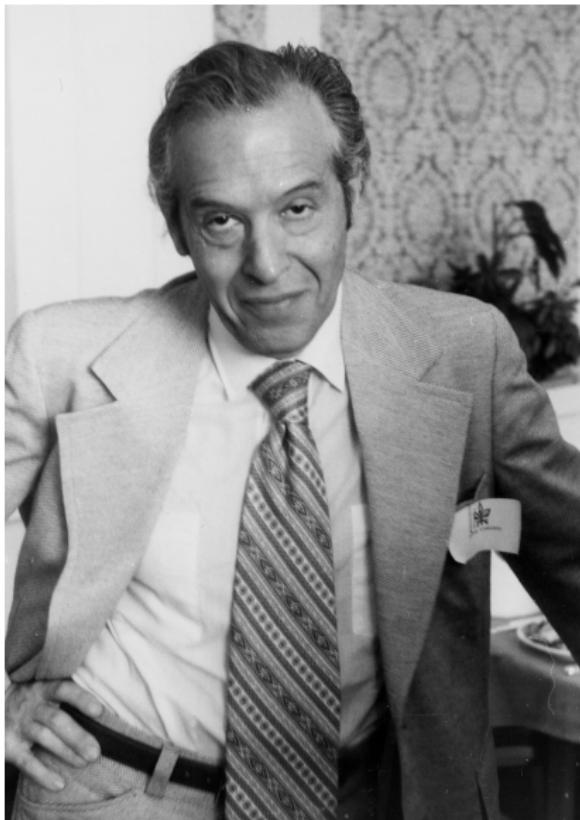


Peres-Horodecki  
Criterion:  
 $(\mathbb{I} \otimes T)\rho_{sep} \geq 0$

- for  $\mathcal{H}_{d_1} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{d_2}$  with  $d_1 \times d_2 \geq 6$   
**necessary but not sufficient!**

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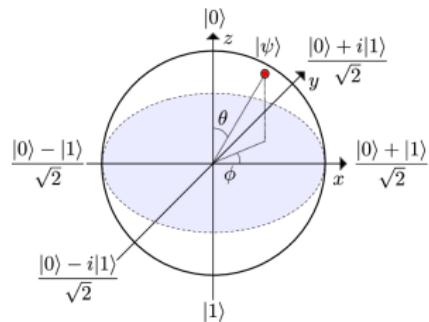
- outcomes of systems prepared in an eigenstate of  $A$  are equally likely when the prepared system is measured in any eigenbasis of operator  $B$
- Lower bound of entropic uncertainty relations maximized

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Example of MUBs for d=2



$$B_1 = \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$$

$$B_2 = \left\{ \frac{|0\rangle+i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle-i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$$

$$B_3 = \left\{ \frac{|0\rangle+|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$$

Eigenvectors of  $\sigma_x$

Eigenvectors of  $\sigma_y$

Eigenvectors of  $\sigma_z$

Bloch sphere representation of qubit<sup>a</sup>

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  - $V_0^I = Z^I = \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \omega^{(k \odot I)} |k\rangle \langle k|$
  - $V_i^j = V_0^j V_i^0 = \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \omega^{(k \oplus i) \odot j} |k \oplus i\rangle \langle k|$
  - $d+1$  commuting sets of  $d$  elements from these  $d^2$  unitary operators

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Solution: Conduct measurements in multiple MUBs

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Because for any pure state  $|a\rangle$  it holds  $\sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} |\langle i_k | a \rangle|^4 \leq 1 + \frac{m-1}{d}$ , we have

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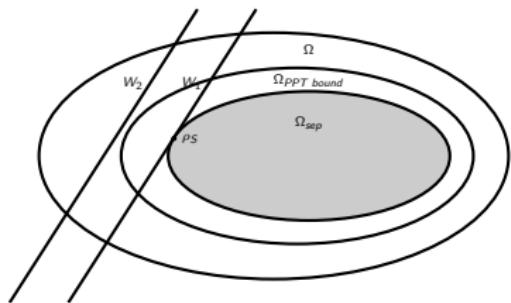
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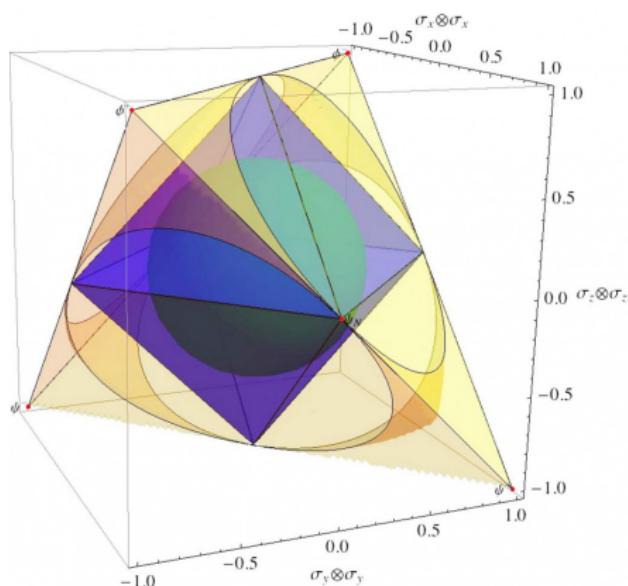
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Special Simplex<sup>7</sup> in  $\mathcal{H}_2 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$



- 4 Bell states as corner points
- yellow: positivity
- blue: PPT (separable states)
- green: Kuś-Życzkowski ball
- dark yellow (local states satisfying Bell inequality)

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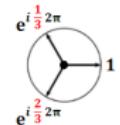
Special Simplex in  $\mathcal{H}_d \otimes \mathcal{H}_d$ <sup>8</sup>

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$$\mathcal{W} = \left\{ \sum_{kl} c_{kl} P_{kl} \mid c_{kl} \geq 0, \sum_{kl} c_{kl} = 1 \right\} \quad (13)$$

where

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**n = 3**

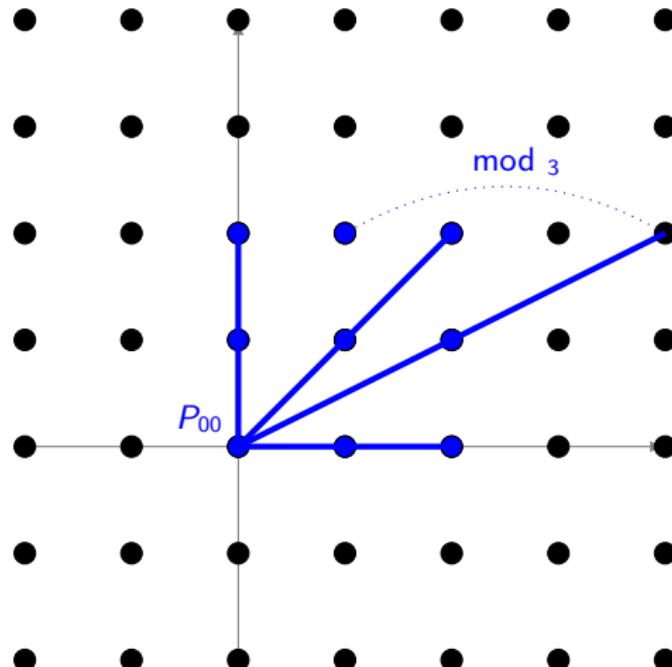
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Phase Space Representation for  $d = 3$



Non-parallel phase space lines in  $d=3$  originating from  $(0,0)$

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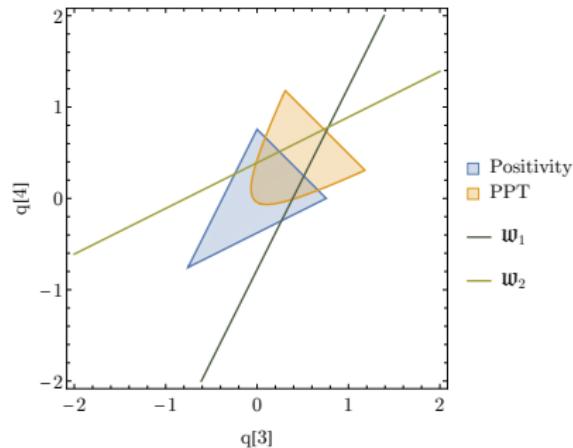
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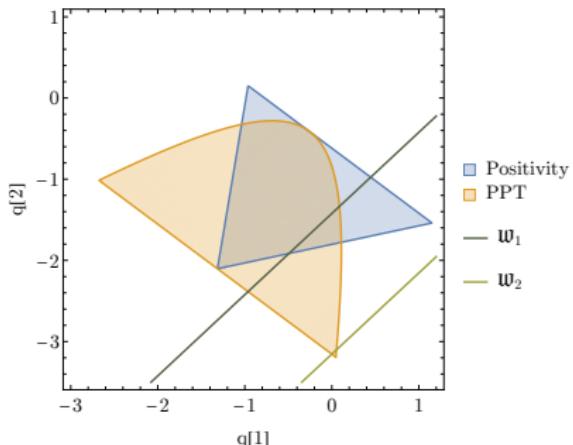
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## The Case of d=3



	$\langle \mathfrak{W}_1 \rangle_{PM}$	$\langle \mathfrak{W}_2 \rangle_{PM}$
$q[1]$	$\frac{5}{3}(-1 + \sqrt{3})$	$\frac{5}{3}(-1 + \sqrt{3})$
$q[2]$	0	0
$q[3]$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
$q[4]$	$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
$2 - I_d$	$1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	$1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

Table of optimized parameters  $q[i]$  for 2 witnesses

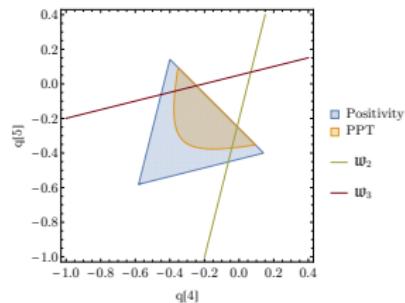
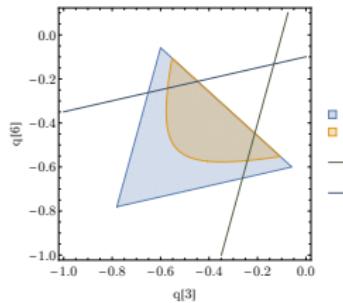
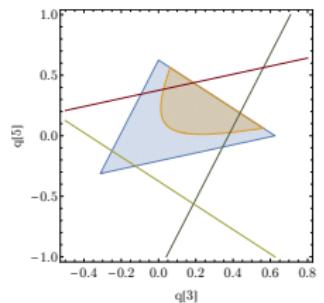


	$\langle \mathfrak{W}_1 \rangle_{\rho_M}$	$\langle \mathfrak{W}_2 \rangle_{\rho_M}$
$q[1]$	$\frac{5}{9}(-5 + 3\sqrt{3})$	$\frac{5}{9}(-5 + 4\sqrt{3})$
$q[2]$	$-\frac{16}{9}$	$\frac{8}{9}(-2 + \sqrt{3})$
$q[3]$	0	0
$q[4]$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
$2 - I_d$	$1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$	$1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

Table of optimized parameters  $q[i]$  for 2 witnesses with  $q[3] = 0$

# Special Simplex in $\mathcal{H}_d \otimes \mathcal{H}_d$

## Bound Entanglement Detection for d=4-5



$$\frac{d=4}{2-\mathbf{I}_d} \quad \frac{d=5}{-\frac{1}{8}} \quad -1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

# Special Simplex in $\mathcal{H}_d \otimes \mathcal{H}_d$

Generalization of Witnesses to higher Dimensions

- witnesses can be rewritten as
$$\mathfrak{W}_i = (2 - d) P_{00} + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{D-1} P_{m0} + \sum_{m=0}^{d-1} \sum_{n=1}^{d-1} (1 - \delta_{ni}) P_{mn}$$
- for even dimensions  $d \leq 8$  not all Weyl-shifted witnesses (optimally) detect bound entanglement

$\mathfrak{W}_i$	d=6	d=7	d=8
$\mathfrak{W}_1$	-0.091752	-0.08136	-0.07322
$\mathfrak{W}_2$	-0.091752	-0.08136	-0.07322
$\mathfrak{W}_3$	$-1.14826 \cdot 10^{-6}$	-0.08136	-0.07322
$\mathfrak{W}_4$	-0.091752	-0.08136	$-2.13422 \cdot 10^{-7}$
$\mathfrak{W}_5$	-0.091752	-0.08136	-0.07322
$\mathfrak{W}_6$	-	-0.08136	-0.07322
$\mathfrak{W}_7$	-	-	-0.07322

Table of optimal values for bound entanglement for  $6 \leq d \leq 8$

# Summary and Outlook

Summary:

- $\exists \rho_{PPT,ent} \in \mathcal{H}_d \otimes \mathcal{H}_d$  with  $d \geq 3$
- characterizing  $\rho$  with respect to its separability  $\rightarrow$  NP hard!
- introduce reduced state space (simplex)
- turn to MUB witnesses to detect classes of such states

Future goals:

- new bounds on bound entangled and separable states within the magic simplex
- investigate lower bound of MUB criterion

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