

# Entanglement of indistinguishable particles

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# Entanglement of distinguishable particles

$|\Psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$  entangled

$$\Leftrightarrow |\Psi\rangle \neq |\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle$$

# Distinguishable particles

Nice properties !

- Equivalent to correlations [Werner, Phys. Rev. A **40**, 4277, (1989)]

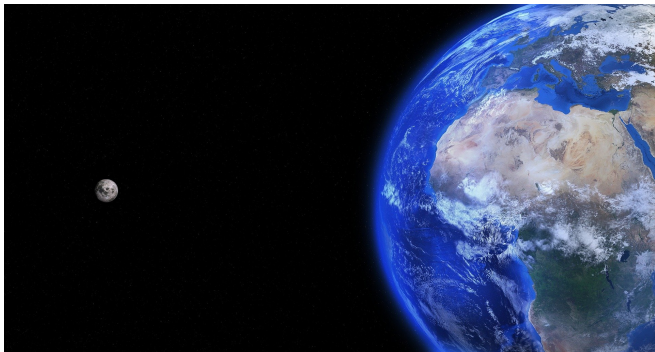
$$\langle \psi | AB | \psi \rangle \neq \langle \psi | A | \psi \rangle \langle \psi | B | \psi \rangle,$$

of particle **local** observables

$$A = O_1 \otimes I, \quad B = I \otimes O_2$$

- Measure of amount of entanglement  $\rightarrow$  resource theory  
[Chitambar et. al., Comm. Math, Phys. **328**, 303 (2014)]
- Requires interaction in the past. **Non-local** operators.

## 2 Identical Hydrogen atoms



$$|\psi^{id}\rangle = |0_M\rangle|1_E\rangle + |1_E\rangle|0_M\rangle$$

# Identical particle entanglement?

Naively:  $|\Psi^{id}\rangle \neq |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle$  entangled

Does indistinguishability create entanglement?

NO! Symmetrized operators.

$$A \otimes I \rightarrow A \otimes I + I \otimes A$$

Several definitions in literature.

Want:

- Local operators
  - Correlations between subsystems. Subsystems defined through observables
- Resource theory
- Effective distinguishability

Naive definition (and others) fail criteria.

[Benatti et. al., Phys. Rep. **878**, 1, (2020); Johann, Marzolino (submitted for publication)]

→ Entanglement between modes.

[Zanardi, Phys. Rev. Lett. **87**, 077901 (2001)]

# Mode Entanglement

Identical particle operators: 2nd quantization  $a_{E,0}^\dagger |vac\rangle = |0_E\rangle$

Group  $\mathcal{A}_E = \{a_{E,\sigma}^\dagger, a_{E,\sigma}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_M = \{a_{M,\sigma}^\dagger, a_{M,\sigma}\}$

Local operators:  $A_E, A_M, A_E A_M$

Def: Mode-Entanglement  $\Leftrightarrow$  correlations between local operators.

$$\langle a_{E,0}^\dagger a_{E,0} a_{M,1}^\dagger a_{M,1} \rangle \neq \langle a_{E,0}^\dagger a_{E,0} \rangle \langle a_{M,1}^\dagger a_{M,1} \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow |\psi_{sep}\rangle = \sum_{\sigma_1} c_{\sigma_1} a_{E,\sigma_1}^\dagger \sum_{\sigma_2} c_{\sigma_2} a_{M,\sigma_2}^\dagger |vac\rangle$$

or

$$|\psi_{sep}\rangle = \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} a_{E,\sigma_1}^\dagger a_{E,\sigma_2}^\dagger |vac\rangle$$

[Benatti et. al., Phys. Rep. **878**, 1, (2020)]

# Mode Entanglement

- Locality
- Entanglement as resource  $\rightarrow$  LOCC theory
- Effective distinguishability:

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi^{id}\rangle &= |0_M\rangle|1_E\rangle + |1_E\rangle|0_M\rangle \\ &= a_{M,0}^\dagger a_{E,1}^\dagger |vac\rangle \Leftrightarrow |0\rangle|1\rangle \text{ Separable!} \end{aligned}$$

[Benatti et. al. (2020); Marzolino, Buchleitner, Phys. Rev. A **91** 032316 (2015); Cunden et. al., Int. J. Quantum Inform. **12**, 1461001 (2014)]



# Conclusions

- Naive def. has several problems
- No canonical definition
- Natural requirements lead to mode entanglement

# Other Definitions

## Entanglement II.:

Separable states are

$$\mathcal{S}|\psi_1\rangle|\psi_2\rangle,$$

with

$$|\psi_1\rangle = |\psi_2\rangle \text{ or } \langle\psi_1|\psi_2\rangle = 0$$

[Ghirardi, Marinatto, Weber, J. Stat. Phys. **108**, 49 (2002);  
Eckert et. al., Ann. Phys. **299**, 88]

## Other definitions

### Entanglement III.:

$|\psi\rangle$  entangled wrt. subspace  $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{H}$  iff

$$X_1 = \frac{1}{\sum_{\psi_k \in \mathcal{K}} \langle \psi | a_{\psi_k}^\dagger a_{\psi_k} | \psi \rangle} \sum_{\psi_k \in \mathcal{K}} a_{\psi_k} |\psi\rangle \langle \psi | a_{\psi_k}^\dagger$$

has non vanishing von-Neumann entropy

$$S(X_1) = -\text{tr} X_1 \log(X_1)$$

[Lo Franco, Compagno, Sci. Rep. **6**, 20603 (2016)]

# Entanglement measure

Schmidt decomposition for bosons:

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle &= \sum_{i,j} \beta_{ij} b_i^\dagger b_j^\dagger |vac\rangle \\ &= \sqrt{2} \sum_k B_k b_k'^\dagger b_k'^\dagger |vac\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Von Neumann entropy

$$S = - \sum_k 2|B_k|^2 \log(2|B_k|^2)$$

[Paskauskas, You, Phys. Rev. A **64**, 042310, (2001)]