# Entanglement negativity in many-body quantum systems

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# Partial transpose and entanglement negativity

Partial transpose of a density operator *ρ*:

$$\begin{split} \langle e_i^{(A)} e_j^{(B)} | \rho^{T_B} | e_k^{(A)} e_l^{(B)} \rangle &:= \langle e_i^{(A)} e_l^{(B)} | \rho | e_k^{(A)} e_j^{(B)} \rangle \\ \text{where } | e_i^{(A,B)} \rangle \text{ is the basis of } \mathcal{H}_{A,B}. \end{split}$$

• Entanglement negativity and logarithmic negativity:

$$\mathcal{N}(\rho) := (||\rho^{T_B}||_1 - 1)/2 = \sum_{\lambda_i < 0} |\lambda_i|,$$
$$\mathscr{E}(\rho) := \log ||\rho^{T_B}||_1 = \log(2\mathcal{N}(\rho) + 1)$$

# Entanglement in mixed states?

- How to quantify quantum entanglement between A and B when ρ<sub>A∪B</sub> is *mixed* ? E.g., finite temperature, A, B are parts of a bigger system.
- The entanglement entropy is an entanglement measure only for pure states. For mixed states, it is not monotone under LOCC.
- Positive partial transpose (PPT) criterion.
   [Peres (96), Horodecki-Horodecki-Horodecki (96), Eisert-Plenio (99),
   Vidal-Werner (02), Plenio (05) ...]

Partial transpose and quantum entanglement

• EPR pair:
$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|01\rangle - |10\rangle]$$
  

$$\rho = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \frac{1}{2} [|01\rangle\langle01| + |10\rangle\langle10| - |01\rangle\langle10| - |10\rangle\langle01|]$$

Partial transpose:

$$\rho^{T_2} = \frac{1}{2} [|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10| - \underline{|00\rangle\langle 11|} - \underline{|11\rangle\langle 00|}]$$

• Entangled states are badly affected by partial transpose: Negative eigenvalues:

$$\{\lambda_i\} = Spec(\rho^{T_B}) = \{1/2, 1/2, 1/2, -1/2\}$$

• C.f. For a classical state:  $\rho = \frac{1}{2}[|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|] = \rho^{T_B}$ 

Partial transpose and entanglement negativity

• (Logarithmic) Entnglement negativity:

$$\mathcal{N}(\rho) := \sum_{\lambda_i < 0} |\lambda_i| = (||\rho^{T_B}||_1 - 1)/2,$$
$$\mathscr{E}(\rho) := \log(2\mathscr{N}(\rho) + 1) = \log||\rho^{T_B}||_1$$

- Quantum entanglement measure for mixed state (monotone under LOCC).
- For mixed states, negativity extracts quantum correlations only.
- Computable.
- Negativity can zero even when the state is entangled (does not detect bound entanglement but only distillable one).

# Applications of entanglement negativity to many-body physics?

- Entanglement negativity in CFTs, and TFTs [Calabrese-Cardy-Tonni(12-), Castelnovo (13), Lee-Vidal (13), Wen-Chang-SR, Wen-Matsuura-SR(16), and many others...]
- Partial transpose and topological invariants in SPT phases [Pollmann-Turner (12),Shapourian-Shiozaki-SR (16)]
- Experimental measurements? [Elben et al (18-19); Cornfield et al (18)]

# Negativity in 2d CFT

• The logarithmic negativity for two adjacent intervals of equal length  $\ell$  in free fermion chain



• The numerical result (points) using the free fermion formula [Shapourian-Shiozaki-SR(17)] agrees with the CFT result (solid line) [Calabrese-Cardy-Tonni].  $\mathcal{E} = \frac{c}{4} \ln \tan \frac{\pi \ell}{L}$ 

### Partial transpose and topological invariant

[Shiozaki-Shapourian-SR (16)]

• Topological invariant of 1d topological superconductor (the Kitaev chain)  $\text{Tr}(\rho_I \rho_I^{T_1}) \sim e^{2\pi i \nu/8}$ .



Holographic description of entanglement negativity?



# $$\label{eq:Negativity} \begin{split} \text{Negativity} &= \text{Minimal entanglement wedge cross} \\ \text{section with back reaction} \end{split}$$

[Jonah Kudler-Flam and SR, arXiv:1808.00446]

C.f. other proposal [Chaturvedi-Malvimat-Sengupta (16); Jain-Malvimat-Mondal-Sengupta (17)]

# Entanglement wedge

• Entanglement wedge = the bulk region corresponding to the reduced density matrix on the boundary [Headrick et al (14),

Jafferis-Suh (14), Jafferis-Lewkowycz-Maldacena-Suh (15), ...]



- Entanglement of purification [Takayanagi-Umemoto(17), Nguyen-Devakul-Halbasch-Zaletel-Swingle (17)]
- Odd entropy [Tamaoka (18)]
- Reflected entropy [Dutta-Faulkner (19)]

# Perfect tensor holographic error correcting code

- Tensor network acts as an error correcting code encoding "bulk" logical qubits into "boundary" physical qubits
- Captures many aspects of holography; black holes, bulk reconstruction, subregion duality, holographic entanglement entropy, etc.



[Almheiri-Dong-Harlow(15), Harlow(17), Pastawski-Yoshida-Harlow-Preskill(15), Hayden et al (16)]

 Computed entanglement negativity in a tensor network model of holographic duality (using the language of QEC).



- Entanglement entropy:  $S(\rho_A) = S(\chi_A) + S(\rho_a)$
- Entanglement negativity:  $\mathscr{E}(\rho_{A\bar{A}}) = S_{1/2}(\chi_A) + \mathscr{E}(\rho_{bulk})$
- With BH in bulk, negativity avoids horizon



# Full-fledged holography

- No back reaction for the von Neumann entropy
- Back reaction for Rényi entropy
- For pure state, negativity = Rényi 1/2
- How well do we know about the back reaction? How much control do we have?

#### Rényi entropy and back reaction

• Rényi entropy  $S_n$ : [Dong (16)]

$$n^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \left( \frac{n-1}{n} S_n \right) = \frac{\operatorname{Area}(\operatorname{cosmic brane}_n)}{4G_N}$$

Cosmic brane has a tension  $T_n = (n-1)/(4nG_N)$ 

• Conjecture: For "spherical" configurations [C.f. Hung-Myers-Smolkin-Yale (11), Rangamani-Rota (14)]

$$\mathscr{E} = \mathcal{X} \frac{E_W}{4G_N}$$

• For (1+1)d CFT (with spherical entangling surface)  $\mathcal{X} = 3/2$ ,

$$\mathscr{E} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{E_W}{4G_N}$$

### Disjoint intervals at zero temperature

• Negativity for two disjoint intervals:



• Minimal entanglement wedge cross section  $E_W$ 



[Takayanagi-Umemoto(17), Nguyen-Devakul-Halbasch-Zaletel-Swingle (17)]

• *E<sub>W</sub>* should be compared with

$$\mathscr{E} = \lim_{n_e \to 1} \ln \operatorname{Tr} (\rho^{T_2})^{n_e}$$
  
= 
$$\lim_{n_e \to 1} \ln \langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3) \sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}.$$

where  $\sigma_n$  is the twist operator with dimension  $h_n = (c/24)(n - 1/n)$ . The replica limit from even integer to  $n_e \rightarrow 1$ . [Calabrese-Cardy-Tonni (12)]

#### Adjacent limit

• In the limit of adjacent intervals  $d \rightarrow 0$ :



• Agrees with CFT result (universal) [Calabrese-Cardy-Tonni (12)]:

$$\mathcal{E} = \lim_{n_e=1} \ln \left\langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \right\rangle_{\mathbb{C}}$$
$$= \frac{c}{4} \ln \left[ \frac{\ell_1 \ell_2}{\ell_1 + \ell_2} \right] + const.$$

if the constant is properly chosen,  $\mathscr{E} = (3/2)E_W$ .

### Disjoint intervals

• We need four pt correlation function for the disjoint case:

$$\mathscr{E} = \lim_{n_e \to 1} \ln \langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3) \sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}.$$

Will focus on the dominant conformal block

 $\langle \sigma_{n_e}(\infty)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(1)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(x,\bar{x})\sigma_{n_e}(0)\rangle \sim \mathcal{F}(h_p,h_i,x)\bar{\mathcal{F}}(h_p,h_i,\bar{x})$ 



• Intermediate state is either identity operator of double twist operator  $\sigma_n^2$  with dimension

$$h_{\sigma_n^2} = \begin{cases} \frac{c}{24} \left( \frac{n}{1} - \frac{1}{n} \right) & \to 0 \quad n: \text{odd} \\ \frac{c}{12} \left( \frac{n}{2} - \frac{2}{n} \right) & \to -\frac{c}{8} \quad n: \text{even} \end{cases}$$

#### Series expansion

• Dominant conformal block with double twist operator (y = 1 - x): [Headkrick (10), Kulaxizi-Parnachev-Policastro (14)]

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$$\mathcal{F}(h_p, y) = y^{h_p} \left[ 1 + \frac{h_p}{2} y + \frac{h_p (h_p + 1)^2}{4(2h_p + 1)} y^2 + \frac{h_p^2 (1 - h_p)^2}{2(2h_p + 1)[c(2h_p + 1) + 2h_p (8h_p - 5)]} y^2 + \cdots \right].$$

• Taking the large c limit and then replica limit  $h_p \rightarrow -c/8$ ,

$$\mathcal{F}(h_p, y) = y^{-\frac{c}{8}} \left[ 1 - \frac{cy}{16} + \frac{c^2 y^2}{512} - \frac{c^3 y^3}{24576} + \cdots \right].$$

Matches with the cross-ratio expansion of  $(3/2)E_W$  in large c.

### Monodromy method

[Hartman (13), Faulkner (13), Kulaxizi-Parnachev-Policastro (14)]



#### Geodesic Witten diagram calculation

[Hirai-Tamaoka-Yokoya (18), Prudenziati (19)]



$$\begin{split} &\langle \sigma_n(x_1)\bar{\sigma}_n(x_2)\bar{\sigma}_n(x_3)\sigma_n(x_4)\rangle \\ &\sim \int_{\gamma_{ij}} \int_{\gamma_{kl}} G_{b\partial}G_{b\partial}G_{bb}^{\Delta_{\sigma_n^2}}G_{b\partial}G_{b\partial} \\ &\sim (|x_{12}||x_{34}|)^{-2\Delta_n} \int_{\gamma_{12}} \int_{\gamma_{34}} d\lambda d\lambda' e^{-\Delta_{\sigma_n^2}\sigma(y,y')} \end{split}$$

where  $\sigma(y, y')$  is the distance between bulk points y and y'.

• In the large c limit, the integral localizes at the minimal entanglement wedge:

$$\langle \sigma_n(x_1)\bar{\sigma}_n(x_2)\bar{\sigma}_n(x_3)\sigma_n(x_4)\rangle \sim e^{-\Delta_{\sigma_n^2}\sigma_{min}}$$

We then take the replica limit  $\Delta_{\sigma_n^2} \to -c/4$ .

# A few more comments

- Check in other configurations; e.g., bipartite at finite temperatures, thermofield double, etc.
- Back reaction for other configurations



- Bit thread picture; cross section = maximal number of distillable Bell pairs? [Agón-de Boer-Pedraza(18)] Negativity gives upper bound of distillable entanglement.
- Applications; operator negativity.