

# Witnessing metrologically useful multiparticle entanglement

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# Why multipartite entanglement and metrology are important?

- Full tomography is not possible, we still have to say something meaningful.
- Claiming “entanglement” is not sufficient for many particles.
- We should tell
  - How entangled the state is
  - What the state is good for, etc.

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# Entanglement

A state is **(fully) separable** if it can be written as

$$\sum_k p_k \rho_k^{(1)} \otimes \rho_k^{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_k^{(N)}.$$

If a state is not separable then it is **entangled** (Werner, 1989).

# $k$ -producibility/ $k$ -entanglement

A pure state is  $k$ -producible if it can be written as

$$|\Phi\rangle = |\Phi_1\rangle \otimes |\Phi_2\rangle \otimes |\Phi_3\rangle \otimes |\Phi_4\rangle \dots$$

where  $|\Phi_j\rangle$  are states of at most  $k$  qubits.

A mixed state is  $k$ -producible, if it is a mixture of  $k$ -producible pure states.

[ e.g., Gühne, GT, NJP 2005. ]

- If a state is not  $k$ -producible, then it is at least  $(k + 1)$ -particle entangled.



two-producible



three-producible

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# Many-particle systems for $j=1/2$

- For spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  particles, we can measure the **collective angular momentum operators**:

$$J_l := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^N \sigma_l^{(k)},$$

where  $l = x, y, z$  and  $\sigma_l^{(k)}$  are Pauli spin matrices.

- We can also measure the **variances**

$$(\Delta J_l)^2 := \langle J_l^2 \rangle - \langle J_l \rangle^2.$$

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# The standard spin-squeezing criterion

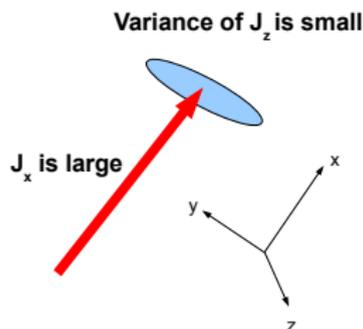
## Spin squeezing criteria for entanglement detection

$$\xi_s^2 = N \frac{(\Delta J_z)^2}{\langle J_x \rangle^2 + \langle J_y \rangle^2}.$$

If  $\xi_s^2 < 1$  then the state is entangled.

[Sørensen, Duan, Cirac, Zoller, Nature (2001).]

- States detected are like this:



- See talks about recent spectacular experiments at this conference.

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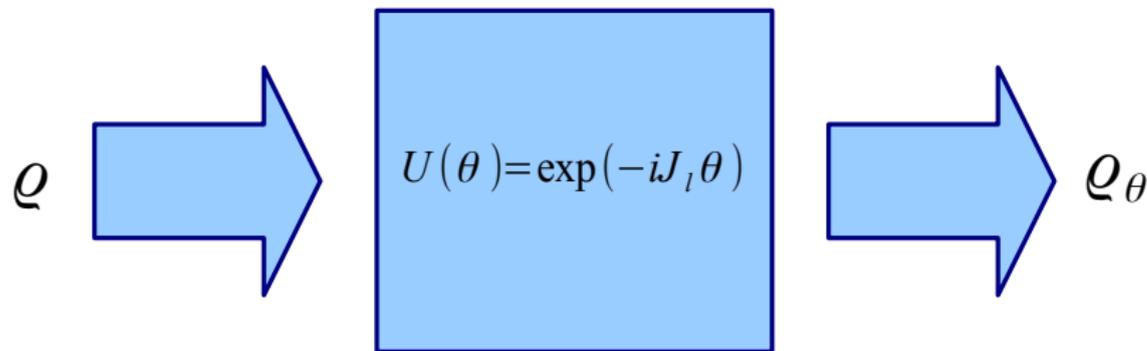
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# Quantum metrology

- Fundamental task in metrology with a **linear interferometer**



- We have to estimate  $\theta$  in the dynamics

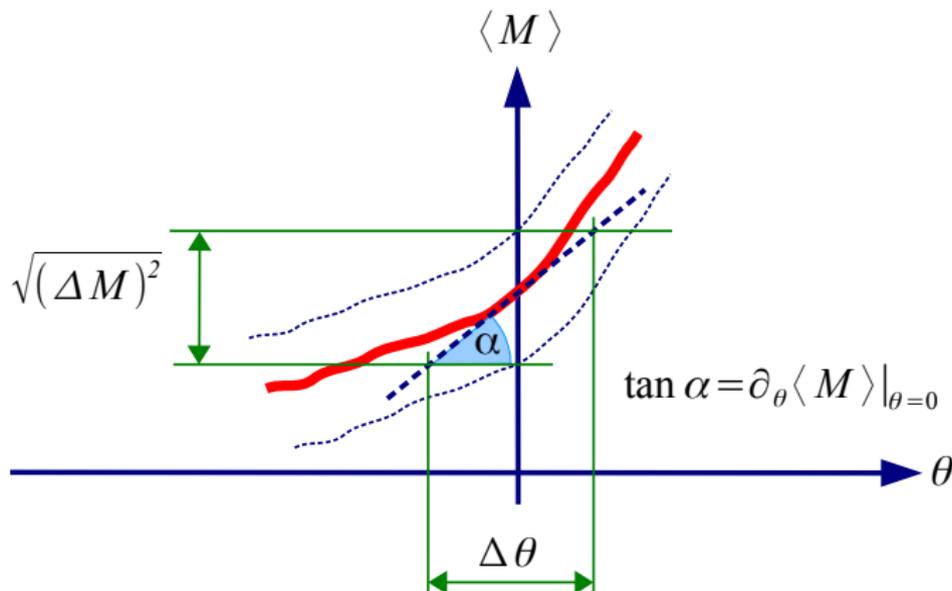
$$U = \exp(-iJ_l\theta)$$

where  $l \in \{x, y, z\}$ .

# Precision of parameter estimation

- Measure an operator  $M$  to get the estimate  $\theta$ . The precision is

$$(\Delta\theta)^2 = \frac{(\Delta M)^2}{|\partial_\theta \langle M \rangle|^2}.$$



# The quantum Fisher information

- Cramér-Rao bound on the precision of parameter estimation

$$(\Delta\theta)^2 \geq \frac{1}{F_Q[\varrho, A]}, \quad (\Delta\theta)^{-2} \leq F_Q[\varrho, A].$$

where  $F_Q[\varrho, A]$  is the **quantum Fisher information**.

- The quantum Fisher information is given by an explicit formula for  $\varrho$  and  $A$ .

# The quantum Fisher information vs. entanglement

- For separable states

$$F_Q[\rho, J_I] \leq N.$$

[Pezze, Smerzi, PRL 2009; Hyllus, Gühne, Smerzi, PRA 2010]

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# Witnessing metrological usefulness

- Direct measurement of the sensitivity
  - Measure  $(\Delta\theta)^2$ .
  - Obtain bound on  $F_Q$  and multipartite entanglement.
  - Experimentally challenging, since we need dynamics.
  - The precision is affected by the noise during the dynamics.
  
- Witnessing (our choice)
  - Estimate how good the precision were, **if we did the metrological process**.
  - Assume a perfect metrological process. **Characterizes the state only**.

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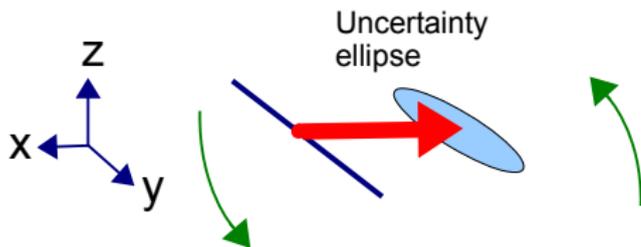
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# Metrology with spin-squeezed states

- Pezze-Smerzi bound

$$(\Delta\theta)^2 = \frac{(\Delta J_z)^2}{|\partial_\theta \langle J_z \rangle|^2} = \frac{(\Delta J_z)^2}{\langle J_x \rangle^2} = \frac{\xi_s^2}{N}.$$

- We measure  $\langle J_z \rangle$ .



[Pezze, Smerzi, PRL 2009.]

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# Metrology with Dicke states

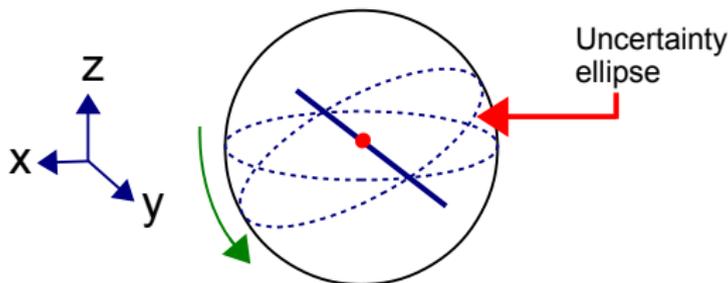
- For Dicke state

$$\langle J_l \rangle = 0, l = x, y, z, \quad \langle J_z^2 \rangle = 0, \quad \langle J_x^2 \rangle = \langle J_y^2 \rangle = \text{large}.$$

- Linear metrology

$$U = \exp(-iJ_y\theta).$$

- **Measure  $\langle J_z^2 \rangle$  to estimate  $\theta$ .** (We cannot measure first moments, since they are zero.)



# Formula for maximal precision II

## Maximal precision with a closed formula

$$(\Delta\theta)_{\text{opt}}^2 = \frac{2 \sqrt{(\Delta J_z^2)^2 (\Delta J_x^2)^2 + 4 \langle J_x^2 \rangle - 3 \langle J_y^2 \rangle - 2 \langle J_z^2 \rangle (1 + \langle J_x^2 \rangle) + 6 \langle J_z J_x^2 J_z \rangle}}{4(\langle J_x^2 \rangle - \langle J_z^2 \rangle)^2}.$$

- Collective observables, like in the spin-squeezing criterion.
- Metrological usefulness can be verified **without carrying out the metrological task**.
- Tested on experimental data.

[ Apellaniz, Lücke, Peise, Klempt, GT, NJP 2015. ]

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# Large step: we do not assume any metrological scheme

- We would like to know how good a state is for quantum metrology.
- We allow any operator to be measured for parameter estimation.
- Thus, we need to witness the quantum Fisher information.

# Legendre transform

- Optimal linear lower bound on a convex function  $g(\varrho)$  based on an operator expectation value  $w = \langle W \rangle_{\varrho} = \text{Tr}(W\varrho)$

$$g(\varrho) \geq rw - \text{const.},$$

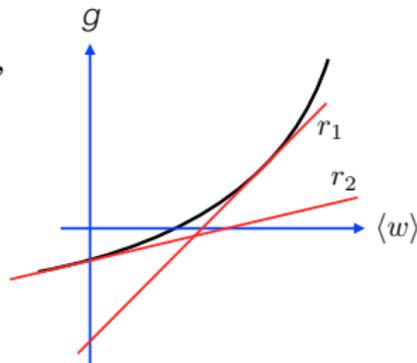
where  $w = \text{Tr}(\varrho W)$ .

- For every slope  $r$  there is a “const.”
- Textbooks say

$$g(\varrho) \geq \mathcal{B}(w) := rw - \hat{g}(rW),$$

where  $\hat{g}$  is the **Legendre transform**

$$\hat{g}(W) = \sup_{\varrho} [\langle W \rangle_{\varrho} - g(\varrho)].$$



# Legendre transform II

- Bound is best if we optimize over  $r$  as

$$g(\varrho) \geq \mathcal{B}(w) := \sup_r [rw - \hat{g}(rW)],$$

where again  $w = \text{Tr}(\varrho W)$ .

- $F_Q$  is the convex roof of the variance. Hence, it is sufficient to carry out an optimization over pure states

$$\hat{g}(W) = \sup_{\Psi} [\langle W \rangle_{\Psi} - g(\Psi)].$$

[GT, Petz, PRA 2013; S. Yu, arXiv1302.5311 (2013);

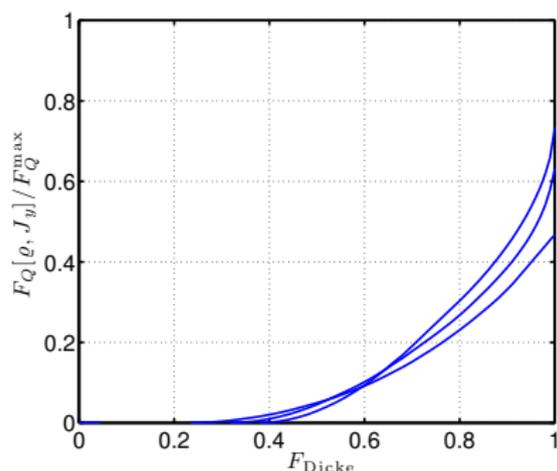
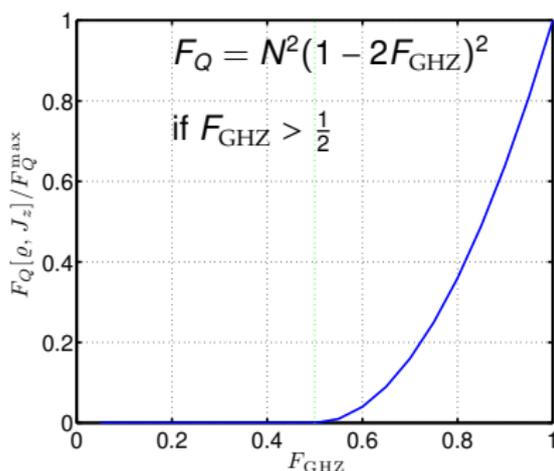
GT, Apellaniz, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 2014]

- With further simplifications, an optimization over a **single** (!) real variable is needed.

# Witnessing the quantum Fisher information based on the fidelity

- Let us bound the quantum Fisher information based on some measurements. First, consider small systems.

[See also Augusiak *et al.*, 1506.08837.]



Quantum Fisher information vs. Fidelity with respect to (a) GHZ states and (b) Dicke states for  $N = 4, 6, 12$ .

[Apellaniz *et al.*, arXiv:1511.05203.]

# Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements

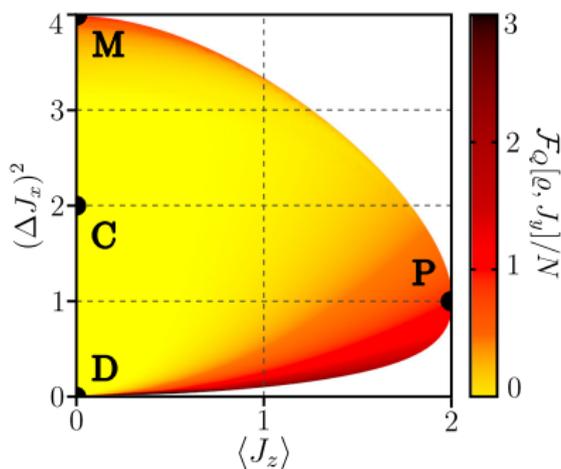
Bound for the quantum Fisher information for spin squeezed states  
(Pezze-Smerzi bound)

$$F_Q[\varrho, J_y] \geq \frac{\langle J_z \rangle^2}{(\Delta J_x)^2}.$$

[Pezze, Smerzi, PRL 2009.]

# Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements II

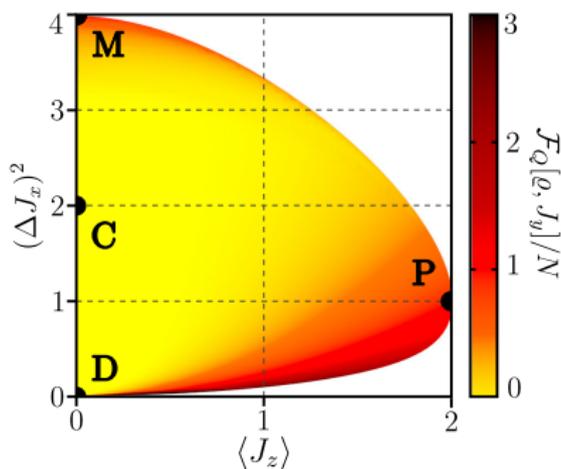
- Optimal bound for the quantum Fisher information  $F_Q[\varrho, J_y]$  for spin squeezing for  $N = 4$  particles



P=fully polarized state, D=Dicke state, C=completely mixed state,  
M=mixture of  $|00..000\rangle_x$  and  $|11..111\rangle_x$

# Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements III

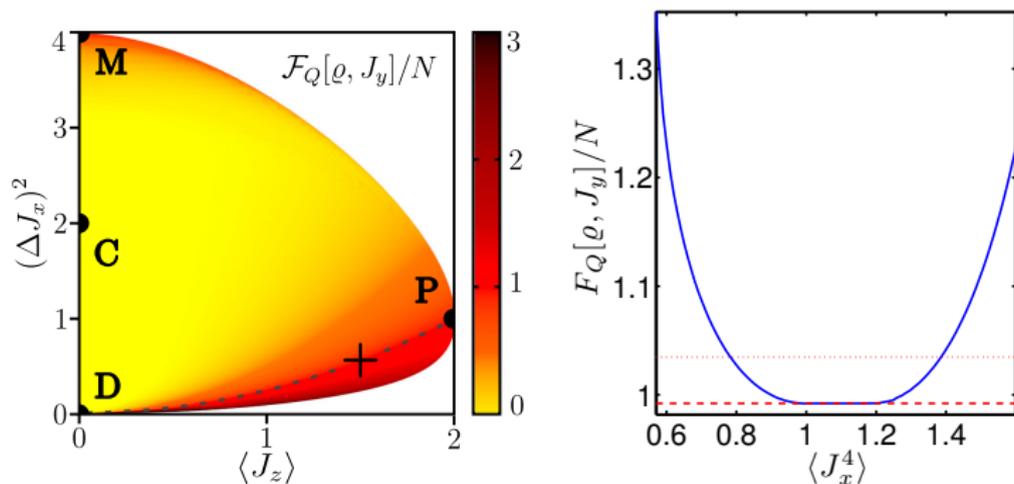
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On the bottom part of the figure ( $(\Delta J_x)^2 < 1$ ) the bound is very close to the Pezze-Smerzi bound!

# Bounding the qFi based on collective measurements IV

- The bound can be obtained if additional expectation value, i.e.,  $\langle J_x^2 \rangle$  is measured, or we assume symmetry:



# Spin squeezing experiment

- Experiment with  $N = 2300$  atoms,

$$\xi_s^2 = -8.2\text{dB} = 10^{-8.2/10} = 0.1514.$$

[Gross, Zibold, Nicklas, Esteve, Oberthaler, Nature 2010.]

- The Pezze-Smerzi bound is:

$$\frac{\mathcal{F}_Q[\varrho_N, J_y]}{N} \geq \frac{1}{\xi_s^2} = 6.605.$$

- We get the same value for our method!

[Pezze, Smerzi, PRL 2009]

- Similar calculations for Dicke state experiments!

[Lücke, Peise, Vitagliano, Arlt, Santos, Tóth, Klempt, PRL 2014.]

# Summary

- We discussed a **very flexible** method to detect multipartite entanglement and metrological usefulness.
- We can choose a set of operators and the method gives an optimal lower bound on  $F_Q$ .

Apellaniz, Lücke, Peise, Klempt, GT, New J. Phys. 17, 083027 (2015);  
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