

# Dual and multiunitary operators, from entanglement to many-body physics, as a legacy of the SMR paper

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where  $A_{rs,r's'}(t,t_0)$  is a numerical  $n^2 \times n^2$  matrix labelled by pairs of indices  $(rs)$  and  $(r's')$  depending on the times  $t$  and  $t_0$  but *independent* of the matrix  $\rho(t_0)$ . Since the

matrix. To display these properties in a more transparent fashion, as well as for further development, it is advantageous to introduce another  $n^2 \times n^2$  matrix  $B$  related to  $A$  and defined by

$$B_{rr',ss'} = A_{rs,r's'}. \quad (14)$$

It immediately follows that  $B$  is Hermitian and positive semidefinite; we can rewrite (11') and (12') in the form:

Sudarshan, Mathews, and Rau, Phys. Rev. (1961)



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TABLE II: Quantum operations  $\Phi : \mathcal{M}^{(N)} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{(N)}$ : properties of superoperator  $L$  and dynamical matrix  $D_\Phi = L^R$

| Matrices  | Superoperator $L = D^R$   | Dynamical matrix $D_\Phi$                   |
|---|---|---|
| Hermicity   | No  | Yes   |
| Trace   | spectrum is symmetric<br>$\Rightarrow \text{tr} L \in \mathbb{R}$ | $\text{tr} D_\Phi = N$                      |
| (right)<br>Eigenvectors                           | invariant states<br>or transient corrections                      | Kraus operators                             |
| Eigenvalues                                       | $ z_i  \leq 1$<br>$-\ln  z_i $ – decay rates                      | weights of Kraus<br>operators, $d_i \geq 0$ |
| Unitary evolution<br>$D_\Phi = (U \otimes U^*)^R$ | $\ L\ _2 = N$   | $S(\vec{d}) = 0$                            |
| Coarse graining                                   | $\ L\ _2 = \sqrt{N}$  | $S(\vec{d}) = \ln N$                        |
| Complete depolarisation, $D_\Phi = \mathbb{1}$    | $\ L\ _2 = 1$   | $S(\vec{d}) = 2 \ln N$                      |

**Completely depolarizing channel:**  $\rho' = I/N$  maximally mixed.  
 $L^R = I/N$ ,  $L = |\Phi^+\rangle\langle\Phi^+|$ ,  $|\Phi^+\rangle = \sum_m |mm\rangle/\sqrt{N}$  maximally entangled.

From **On duality between quantum maps and quantum states**  
Karol Życzkowski and Ingemar Bengtsson (2004)





# Realignment, Reshuffle

$X$ : matrix in  $\mathcal{H}^N \otimes \mathcal{H}^N$ :  $N^2 \times N^2$  matrix.

Row and col. label:  $(i, \alpha)$ ,  $1 \leq i, \alpha \leq N$ .

$$\langle i\alpha | X | j\beta \rangle = \langle \beta\alpha | X^{R_1} | ji \rangle$$

Example  $N = 2$ :

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# Realignment, Reshuffle, Partial Transposes

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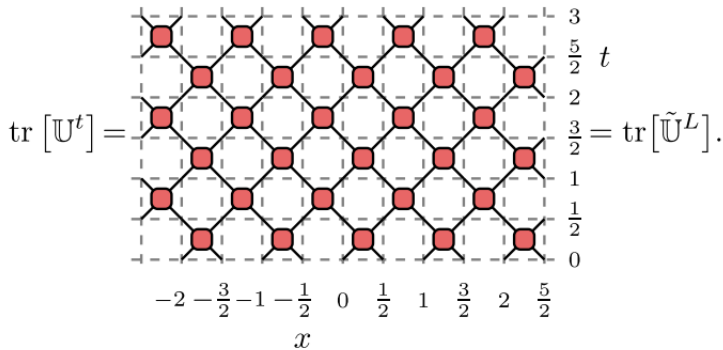
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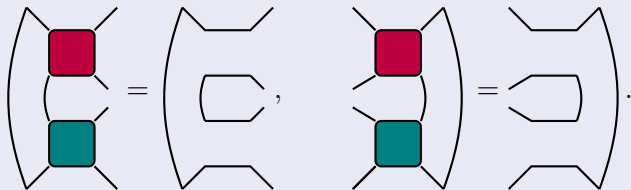
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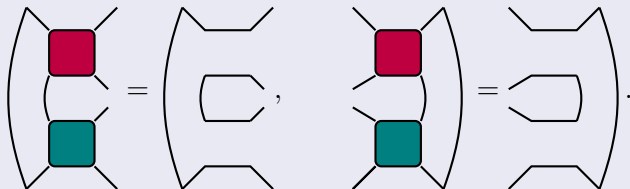
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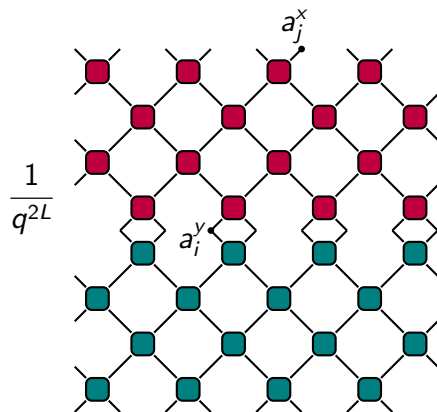
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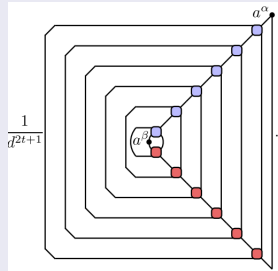
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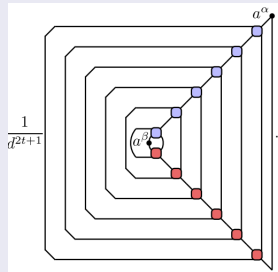
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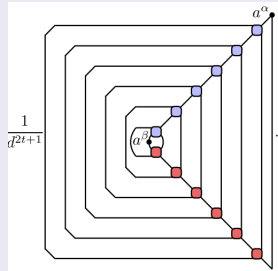
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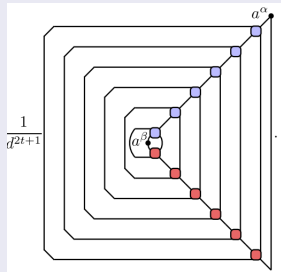
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## Eigenvalues of the unital contractive maps

- $\text{Spec}\{\mathcal{M}_{\pm}\} = \{\lambda_j^{\pm}, 0 \leq j \leq q^2 - 1\}$
- $\lambda_0^{\pm} = 1$  corresponding state is the identity operator: trivial eigenvalue.
- $1 \geq |\lambda_1^{\pm}| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_{q^2-1}^{\pm}|$

determines the correlation functions

$$C_{\pm}^{\alpha\beta}(x = \pm t, t) = \sum_{j=1}^{q^2-1} C_j^{\alpha\beta} (\lambda_j^{\pm})^{2t}$$



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- **Ergodic and mixing:** All  $|\lambda_k| < 1$ , the correlations decay exponentially.
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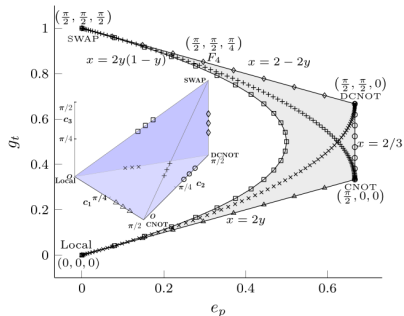
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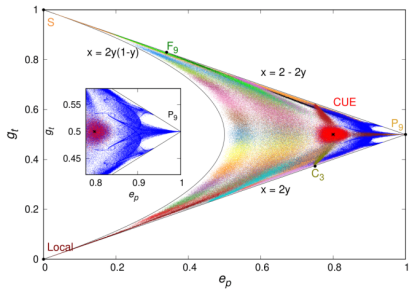
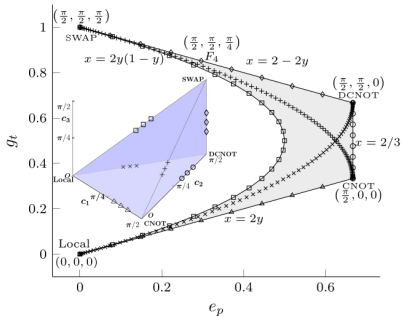
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Solves the puzzle of if there are absolutely maximally entangled states  $\text{AME}(4, 6)$ .



## The golden AME(4, 6) state

|                 |       |                 |                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| (1,1)           | (2,2) | (1,2)           | (2,1)           |       |
| $a \omega^{10}$ | $a$   | $b \omega^{15}$ | $b \omega^5$    | (6,3) |
|                 |       | $c$             | $c$             | (1,1) |
| $c$             | $c$   |                 |                 | (5,6) |
| $b \omega^{10}$ | $b$   | $a \omega^5$    | $a \omega^{15}$ | (4,2) |

|                 |                 |              |                 |       |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------|
| (1,3)           | (2,4)           | (1,4)        | (2,3)           |       |
| $a \omega^2$    | $a \omega^{14}$ | $b \omega$   | $b \omega^5$    | (2,5) |
|                 |                 | $c \omega^5$ | $c \omega^{19}$ | (3,3) |
| $c \omega^{17}$ | $c \omega^{19}$ |              |                 | (1,2) |
| $b \omega^{14}$ | $b \omega^6$    | $a \omega^3$ | $a \omega^7$    | (6,4) |

| (1,5)        | (2,6)           | (1,6)           | (2,5)           |       |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| $a \omega$   | $a \omega^{19}$ | $b \omega^{14}$ | $b \omega^{16}$ | (4,1) |
| $a \omega$   | $a \omega^3$    | $b \omega^{10}$ | $b \omega^4$    | (3,4) |
| $b \omega^4$ | $b \omega^{18}$ | $a \omega^3$    | $a \omega^9$    | (2,6) |
| $b \omega^2$ | $b \omega^8$    | $a \omega^5$    | $a \omega^{15}$ | (5,5) |

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|                 |                 | $c \omega^2$    | $c \omega^2$ | (3,2) |
| $c \omega^{10}$ | $c \omega^6$    |                 |              | (2,4) |
| $b \omega^7$    | $b \omega^{13}$ | $a \omega^{10}$ | $a$          | (5,3) |

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|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| $a$   | $a$             | $b \omega^{15}$ | $b \omega^{15}$ | (4,6) |
|       |                 | $c$             | $c \omega^{10}$ | (6,1) |
| $c$   | $c \omega^{10}$ |                 |                 | (5,4) |
| $b$   | $b$             | $a \omega^5$    | $a \omega^5$    | (1,5) |

|                 |                 |                 |                 |       |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| (3,5)           | (4,6)           | (3,6)           | (4,5)           |       |
| $a \omega^2$    | $a$             | $b \omega^{19}$ | $b \omega^{13}$ | (2,3) |
|                 |                 | $c \omega^{16}$ | $c$             | (6,2) |
| $c \omega^8$    | $c \omega^{16}$ |                 |                 | (3,1) |
| $b \omega^{14}$ | $b \omega^{12}$ | $a \omega$      | $a \omega^{15}$ | (1,6) |

| (5,1)           | (6,2)           | (5,2)           | (6,1)           |       |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| $a \omega^3$    | $a \omega^7$    | $b$             | $b$             | (1,4) |
|                 |                 | $c$             | $c \omega^{10}$ | (2,1) |
| $c \omega^{13}$ | $c \omega^7$    |                 |                 | (3,5) |
| $b \omega^9$    | $b \omega^{13}$ | $a \omega^{16}$ | $a \omega^{16}$ | (6,6) |

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AME(4,6) state

$$\frac{1}{6} \sum_{i,j,k,\ell=1}^d t_{i,j,k,\ell} |i\rangle |j\rangle |k\rangle |\ell\rangle$$

$$a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}(\omega + \bar{\omega})} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + \sqrt{5}}}$$

$$b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}(\omega^3 + \bar{\omega}^3)} = \sqrt{\frac{5 + \sqrt{5}}{20}}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \omega = e^{2\pi i/20}$$

All  $U$ ,  $U^{R_1}$  and  $U^{T_1}$  are unitary.



# Last slide

- The SMR paper continues to stimulate our understanding in **quantum information theory**, **many-body physics**, open systems, **quantum chaos** and much else.
- While “Dual operators” played a central role in this talk, ECG was a **nondualist!**
- Sudarshan was most taken up by the problem of irreversibility and time: *“There are certain fundamental questions in physics for which there are no clear-cut answers. For example, what is time? I breathe. I can count the number of times I do that. Can we call those intervals as time? Suppose I stop breathing, does time cease to exist?”*

**Thank you!**

