

Compression of QFT states using wavelets

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The wavelet basis

- A discrete wavelet basis is defined by a set $\{h_j\}$ of *wavelet coefficients* from which *scaling* (or father) and *wavelet* (or mother) functions are recursively defined:

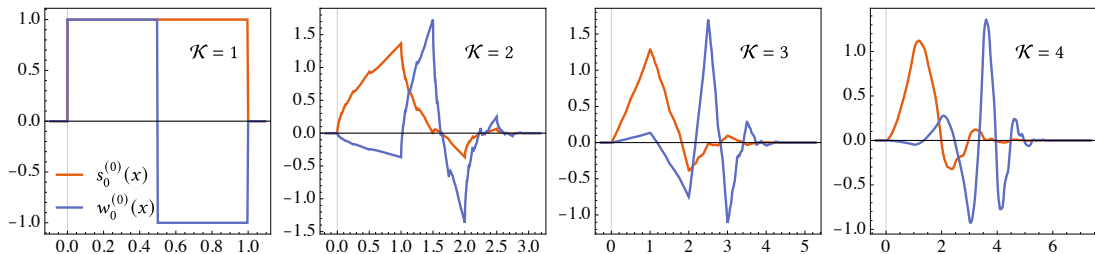
$$s(x) = \mathcal{D} \left[\sum_j h_j \mathcal{T}^j s(x) \right], \quad w(x) = \mathcal{D} \left[\sum_j (-1)^j h_{\max(j)-j} \mathcal{T}^j s(x) \right]$$

where $\mathcal{D}f(x) = \sqrt{2}f(2x)$ and $\mathcal{T}f(x) = f(x-1)$ are dyadic scaling and translation operators.

- Scaling functions behave like **low-pass filters** and wavelet functions like **high-pass filters**.

Daubechies wavelet family

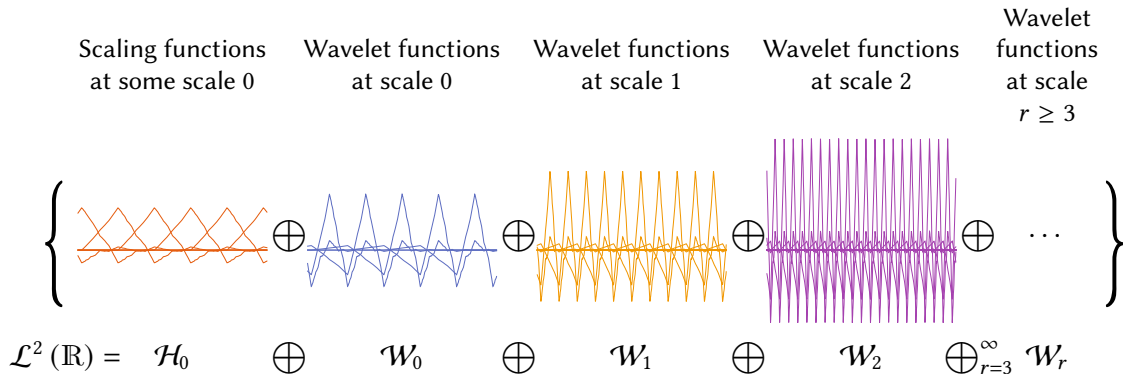
- The Daubechies db- \mathcal{K} wavelet family is defined as the (unique) minimal-size set $\{h_j\}$ such that the first \mathcal{K} moments of $w(x)$ vanish.



- They have particularly nice orthonormality properties (and, excepting $\mathcal{K} = 1$, no closed-form expression!):

$$\int dx s_n^k(x) s_m^k(x) = \delta_{m,n}, \quad \int dx w_n^k(x) w_m^l(x) = \delta_{m,n} \delta_{k,l}, \quad \int dx s_n^k(x) w_m^{k+l}(x) = 0 \quad (l \geq 0)$$

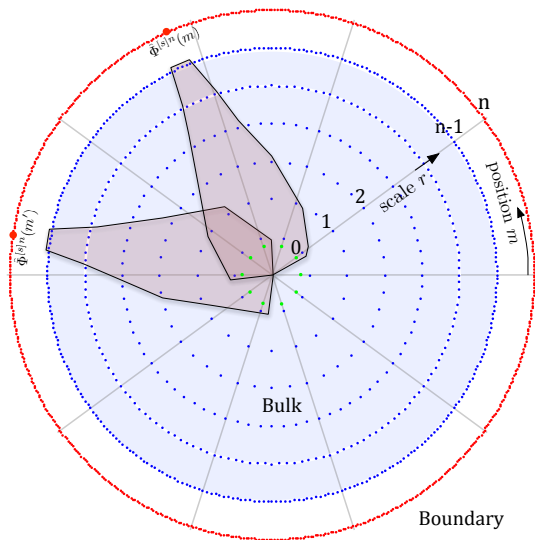
Countable basis for square-integrable functions



- Wavelet functions provide “refinement” to the coarse-grained scaling function representation:

$$\mathcal{H}_{r+1} = \mathcal{H}_r \oplus \mathcal{W}_r \quad \implies \quad \mathcal{H}_n = \mathcal{H}_0 \oplus_{r=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{W}_r$$

Holographic principle and the wavelet transform

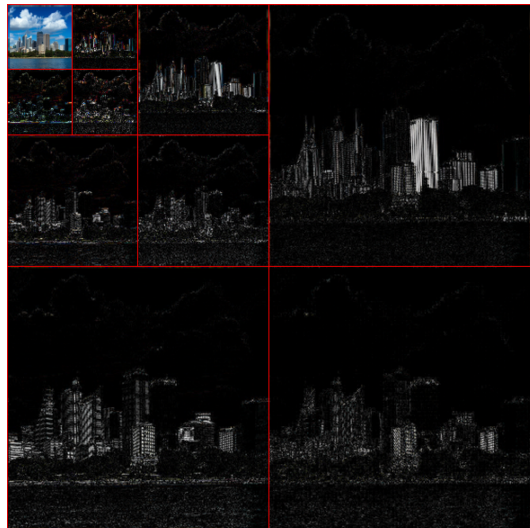
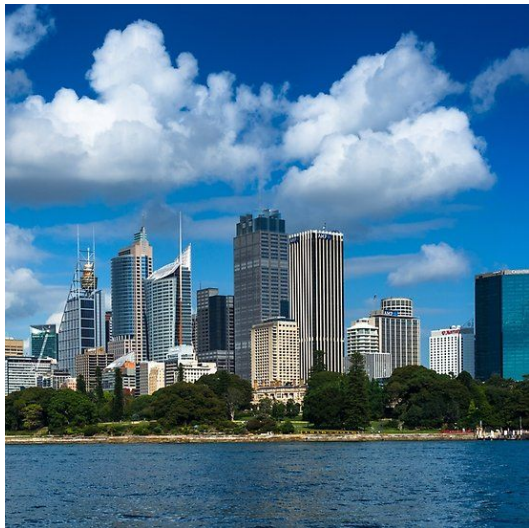


- The wavelet transform is an Exact Holographic Mapping (EHM)
- Bulk and boundary representations contain identical information:

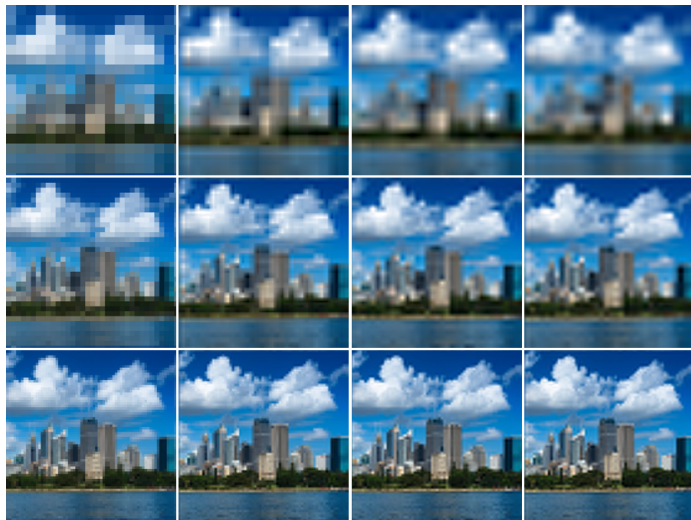
$$\mathcal{H}_n = \mathcal{H}_0 \oplus_{r=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{W}_r$$

- The support of boundary modes widens as you decrease scale towards the center.

Wavelet transform (2D)



Daubechies wavelet index \mathcal{K}



- Left-to-right: $\mathcal{K} = \{1, 2, 3, 5\}$
- Top-to-bottom: Scale/resolution $r = \{0, 1, 2\}$
- A larger \mathcal{K} (more vanishing moments) results in a sparser wavelet representation and reduced error, resulting in a more recognisable image (but only to a point).

Bosonic Hamiltonian

- Free scalar bosonic model (with periodic boundary conditions):

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_b(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\hat{\Pi}^2(x, t) + \left(\nabla \hat{\Phi}(x, t) \right)^2 + m_0^2 \hat{\Phi}^2(x, t) \right), \quad \hat{\Pi}(x, t) := \partial_t \hat{\Phi}(x, t)$$

Commutators: $[\hat{\Phi}(x, t), \hat{\Phi}(x', t)] = [\hat{\Pi}(x, t), \hat{\Pi}(x', t)] = 0$, $[\hat{\Phi}(x, t), \hat{\Pi}(x', t)] = i\delta(x - x')\mathbb{1}$

- Massless phase is described by bosonic CFT, with long-range correlations:

$$\langle \hat{\Phi}(x) \hat{\Phi}(x') \rangle = -\frac{1}{4\pi} (\ln((x - x')^2)), \quad \langle \hat{\Pi}(x) \hat{\Pi}(x') \rangle = -\frac{1}{2\pi(x - x')^2}.$$

- Massive phase exhibits exponential decay of correlation functions for $|x - y| \gg m_0^{-1}$:

$$\langle \hat{\Phi}(x) \hat{\Phi}(x') \rangle \rightarrow -\frac{e^{-m_0|x-x'|}}{\sqrt{8\pi m_0|x-x'|}}, \quad \langle \hat{\Pi}(x) \hat{\Pi}(x') \rangle \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{m_0}{8\pi|x-x'|^3}} e^{-m_0|x-x'|},$$

- Discrete bosonic Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H}_b^{(n)} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{\Pi}_\ell^{(n;s)} \hat{\Pi}_\ell^{(n;s)} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\ell, \ell' \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{\Phi}_\ell^{(n;s)} K_{\ell, \ell'}^{(n)} \hat{\Phi}_{\ell'}^{(n;s)}, \quad K_{\ell, \ell'}^{(n)} := -4^n \Delta_{\ell' - \ell}^{(2)} + m_0^2 \delta_{\ell, \ell'}$$

Fermionic Hamiltonian

- Free Ising model (Majorana spinor formulation) (Boyanovsky 1989):

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_f(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-i \hat{\mathbf{b}}^T(x, t) \mathbf{Z} \partial_x \hat{\mathbf{b}}(x, t) + m_0 \hat{\mathbf{b}}^T(x, t) \mathbf{Y} \hat{\mathbf{b}}(x, t) \right), \quad \hat{\mathbf{b}}(x, t) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \hat{b}_0(x, t) \\ \hat{b}_1(x, t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Anticommutator: $\left\{ \hat{b}_\sigma(x), \hat{b}_{\sigma'}(x') \right\} = 2\delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} \delta(x - x')$

- Massless phase correlator (continuum limit, system size X , antiperiodic boundaries):

$$\left\langle \hat{b}_0(x) \hat{b}_1(x') \right\rangle = -\frac{1}{X \sin(\pi(x - x')/X)}$$

- In a wavelet basis (showing the explicit quadratic structure):

$$\hat{H}_f^{(n)} = -\frac{i}{2} \sum_{\substack{\ell, \ell' \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \sigma, \sigma' \in \{0,1\}}} Q_{\ell, \sigma; \ell', \sigma'}^{(n)} \hat{b}_{\ell, \sigma}^{(n; s)} \hat{b}_{\ell', \sigma'}^{(n; s)}, \quad \hat{b}_{\ell, \sigma}^{(0; s)} := \int dx s_\ell^{(0)}(x) \hat{b}_\sigma(x)$$

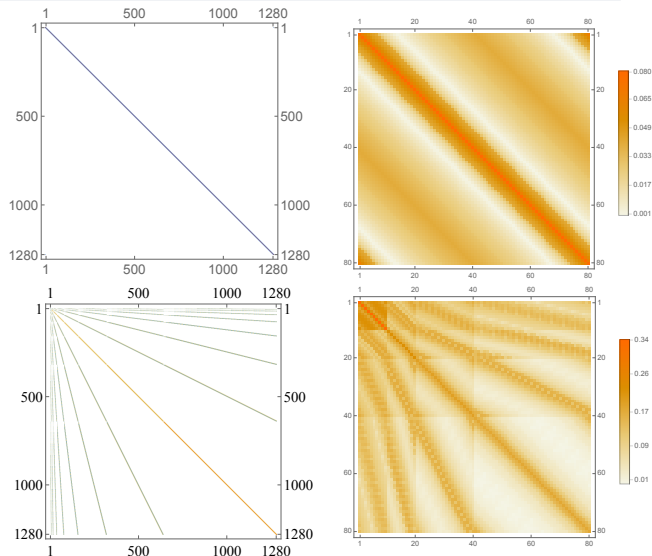
$$Q_{\ell, \sigma; \ell', \sigma'}^{(n)} := (-1)^\sigma 2^n \Delta_{\ell' - \ell}^{(1)} \delta_{\sigma, \sigma'} + m_0 \delta_{\ell, \ell'} (\sigma' - \sigma)$$

- $\Delta_\ell^{(n)}$ are derivative overlap coefficients, rational values calculable using properties of the wavelet family. See Beylkin 1992.

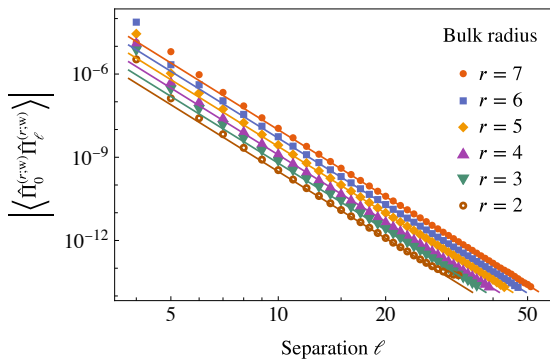
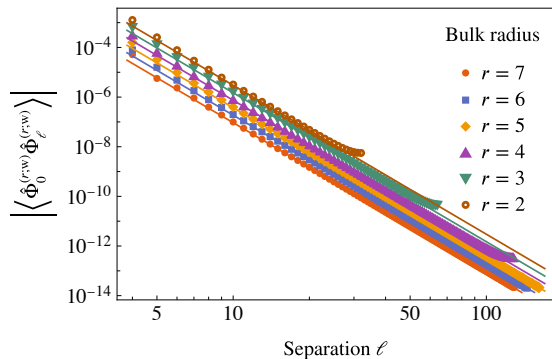
Example: Bosonic coupling matrix K and GS covariance matrix Γ

Top: Boundary Hamiltonian coupling and covariance matrices showing near-neighbour coupling only.

Bottom: Bulk Hamiltonian coupling and covariance matrices showing near-neighbour coupling and coupling across scales. Note also dominance of coarse scale fields in top-left of covariance matrix.



Bosonic correlators (critical phase)

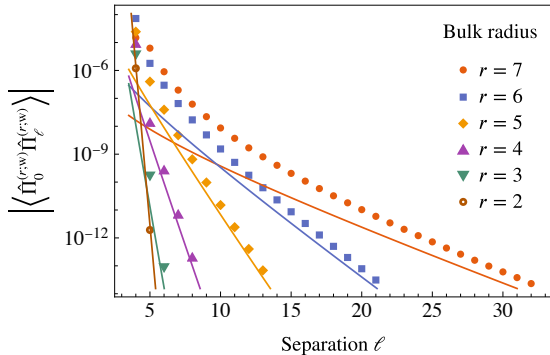
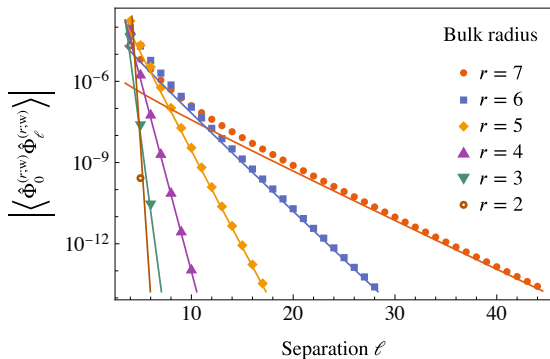


$$\left\langle \hat{\Phi}_0^{(r;w)} \hat{\Phi}_\ell^{(r;w)} \right\rangle \approx -\frac{2^{n-r}}{4\pi \ell^{2\mathcal{K}} \mathcal{K}} \times \binom{2\mathcal{K}}{\mathcal{K}} \left\langle x^{\mathcal{K}} \right\rangle_w^2$$

$$\left\langle \hat{\Pi}_0^{(r;w)} \hat{\Pi}_\ell^{(r;w)} \right\rangle \approx \frac{2^{r-n} (2\mathcal{K} + 1)}{2\pi \ell^{2\mathcal{K}+2}} \times \binom{2\mathcal{K}}{\mathcal{K}} \left\langle x^{\mathcal{K}} \right\rangle_w^2$$

Polynomial decay with exponent proportional to \mathcal{K}
 (analytic expressions: Singh and Brennen 2016)

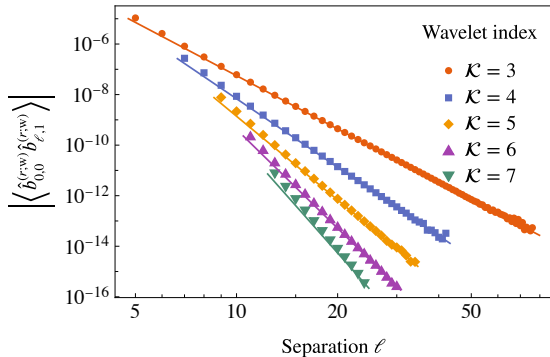
Bosonic correlators (massive phase)



$$\langle \hat{\Phi}_0^{(r;w)} \hat{\Phi}_\ell^{(r;w)} \rangle \approx -\frac{2^{n-r} e^{-\ell \tilde{m}}}{\sqrt{8\pi\ell\tilde{m}}} \langle e^{-\tilde{m}x} \rangle_w \langle e^{\tilde{m}x} \rangle_w \quad \langle \hat{\Pi}_0^{(r;w)} \hat{\Pi}_\ell^{(r;w)} \rangle \approx 2^{r-n} e^{-\ell \tilde{m}} \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{m}}{8\pi\ell^3}} \langle e^{-\tilde{m}x} \rangle_w \langle e^{\tilde{m}x} \rangle_w$$

where $\tilde{m} = 2^{n-r} m_0 \implies$ scale-dependent mass renormalisation!
 (analytic expressions: Singh and Brennen 2016)

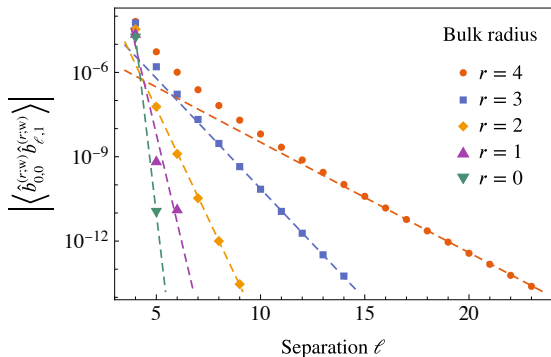
Fermionic correlators



Critical phase (analytic):

$$\langle \hat{b}_{0,0}^{(r;w)} \hat{b}_{\ell,1}^{(r;w)} \rangle \approx \frac{i(-1)^{\mathcal{K}}}{\pi \ell^{2\mathcal{K}+1}} \times \binom{2\mathcal{K}}{\mathcal{K}} \langle x^{\mathcal{K}} \rangle_w^2$$

Polynomial decay with exponent linear in \mathcal{K}

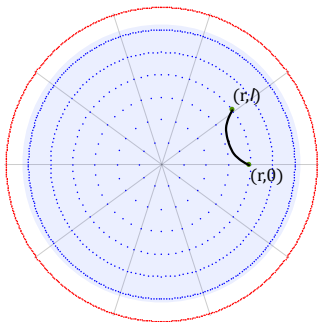


Massive phase (least-squares):

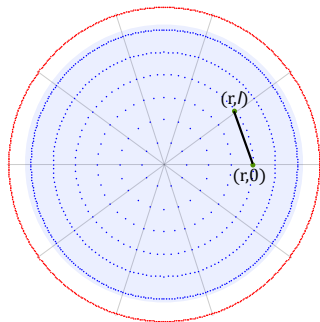
$$\langle \hat{b}_{0,0}^{(r;w)} \hat{b}_{\ell,1}^{(r;w)} \rangle \sim e^{-1.13\ell\tilde{m}}, \quad \tilde{m} = 2^{(n-r)} m_0$$

Exponential decay with mass renormalisation!

Holographic picture - critical vs massive



- Same-scale correlators in the critical phase correspond to a negatively curved AdS(2+1) geodesic distance in the bulk.
- Cross-scale correlators can be shown to decay exponentially.



- In the massive phase, exponential decay corresponds to Euclidean geometry (i.e. flat space) in the bulk.
- Expected given that the massive theory is not conformal.

Mutual information and bulk radius of curvature

- Mutual information is a useful basis-independent quantity for measuring correlations:

$$I(A : B) = S(\rho_A) + S(\rho_B) - S(\rho_{AB}).$$

- To find the bulk radius of curvature R in the critical phases, adopt the ansatz:

$$I((r, 0), (r, \ell)) = S_0 e^{-d_g((r,0),(r,\ell))/\xi}$$

with geodesic distance $d_g((r, 0), (r, \ell)) = 2R \ln(\ell/R)$ and ξ the correlation length.

- Then for the scalar bosonic CFT, for large \mathcal{K} , (Singh and Brennen 2016):

$$R(\mathcal{K}) \approx 0.32\mathcal{K} - 0.88/\mathcal{K} + 0.43$$

- And for the critical Ising model, for large \mathcal{K} , (Brennen, unpublished):

$$R(\mathcal{K}) \approx 0.32\mathcal{K} + 0.66$$

- Linear dependence on \mathcal{K} can be linked to the Daubechies wavelets coupling modes within a neighbourhood of $2\mathcal{K}$, or equivalently being simulable by a circuit of nearest-neighbour gates of depth \mathcal{K} .

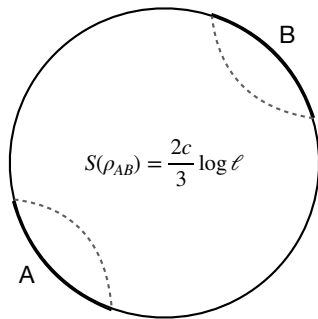
Holographic subsystem entropy (bosonic CFT)

- The subsystem entanglement entropy $S(\rho_A)$ of a bosonic 1 + 1D CFT is equal to the length of the geodesic joining the boundary points in the bulk AdS3 slice geometry.

$$S(\rho_A) = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{|A|}{\epsilon}$$

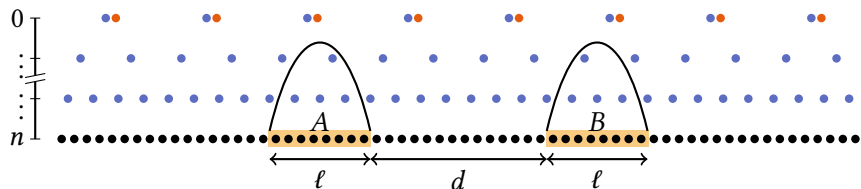
- Combined entropy $S(\rho_{AB})$ is equal to the length of the geodesics joining the boundary points of the two subregions.
- MI between two subregions of a bosonic conformal field theory:

$$I(A : B) = \begin{cases} 0 & d/\ell \geq \sqrt{2} - 1 \\ -\frac{c}{3} \log((d/\ell)^2 + 2d/\ell) & d/\ell < \sqrt{2} - 1 \end{cases}.$$



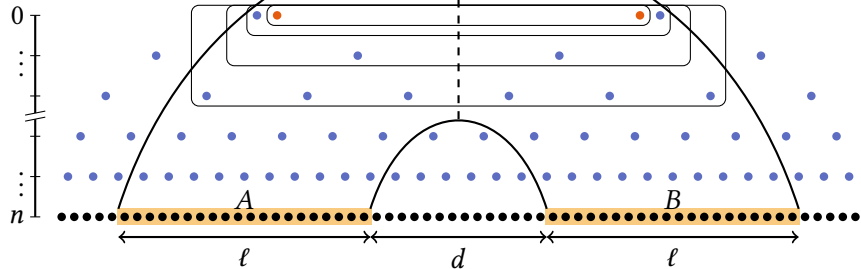
Mutual information and the entanglement wedge

Scale r



$$I(\rho_{AB}) = 0$$

Scale r



$$I(\rho_{AB}) > 0$$

Entanglement wedge cross-section

- Geometric quantity derivable from the properties of the relevant CFT

$$E_W(\rho_{AB}) = \frac{|\Sigma_{AB}^*|}{4G_N} = \frac{c}{6} \log(1 + 2\ell/d)$$

- Conjectured equality with the Entanglement of Purification (Umemoto and Takayanagi 2018):

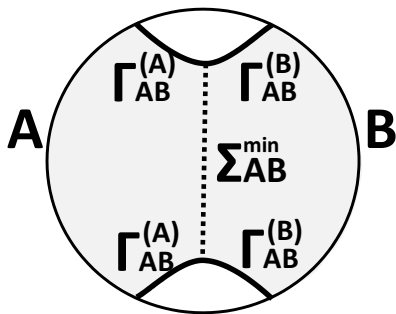
$$E_p(\rho_{AB}) \stackrel{?}{=} E_W(\rho_{AB})$$

- In the context of CFT, it shares several inequalities with the EoP:

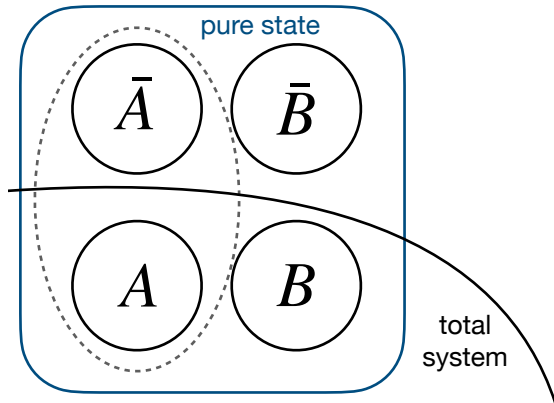
$$I(A : B)/2 \leq E_W(\rho_{AB}) \leq \min(S(\rho_A), S(\rho_B))$$

$$E_W(\rho_{AB}) \leq E_W(\rho_{A(BC)}) \leq E_W(\rho_{AB}) + E_W(\rho_{BC})$$

$$E_W(\rho_{(AA')(BB')}) \geq E_W(\rho_{AB}) + E_W(\rho_{A'B'})$$



Entanglement of purification



$$E_p(\rho_{AB}) = \min_{|\psi\rangle_{A\bar{A}B\bar{B}}; \text{Tr}_{\bar{A}\bar{B}}[|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|] = \rho_{AB}} S(\rho_{A\bar{A}})$$

- Given two subsystems A and B of an overall pure state, minimise the joint entropy $S(\rho_{A\bar{A}})$ over all possible pure states $|\psi\rangle_{A\bar{A}B\bar{B}}$ with ancillary systems \bar{A}, \bar{B} .
- Generalises entanglement entropy to a measure of correlation (classical and quantum) for mixed states.
- Unsurprisingly, this minimisation is extremely difficult in the general case

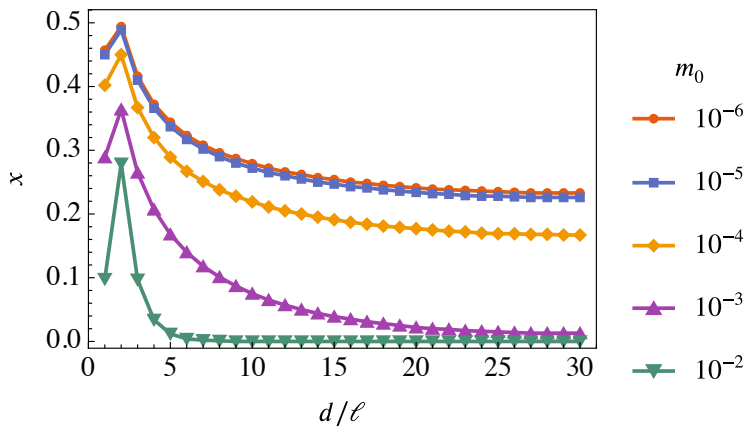
Solving for the entanglement of purification

- Consider a pure state on a total system $A\bar{A}B\bar{B}$ described by covariance matrix:

$$\Gamma_{A\bar{A}B\bar{B}}^{\Pi\Pi} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} J & K \\ K^T & L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Gamma_{A\bar{A}B\bar{B}}^{\Phi\Phi} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} D & E \\ E^T & F \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{such that} \quad \begin{pmatrix} J & K \\ K^T & L \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} D & E \\ E^T & F \end{pmatrix}$$

- When $|A| = |B| = 1$ it can be shown that $|\bar{A}|, |\bar{B}| > 1$ provides minimal additional accuracy for the EoP.
- Canonical form of $K = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ x & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ reduces the minimisation to a single physical parameter x (a momenta-momenta correlation). (Battacharyya, Takayanagi and Umemoto 2018)
- Can we identify any phase transitions when minimising over a single coarse-grained mode in a wavelet basis, corresponding to a much larger subsystem?

Phase transition in bosonic CFT



Peak in x at $d/\ell = 2$ indicative of a quantum phase transition in the neighbourhood of the geodesic crossing!

Phase transitions in fermionic QFT

- One witness of a quantum phase transition is a sudden drop in overlap fidelity between ground states $|\Psi(g)\rangle$ adjacent in some parameter g .
- For pure states:

$$F(m) = |\langle \Psi(g_-) | \Psi(g_+) \rangle|$$

- For reduced states:

$$F(\rho_s(g_+), \rho_s(g_-)) = \text{Tr} \left[\sqrt{\sqrt{\rho_s(g_+)} \rho_s(g_-) \sqrt{\rho_s(g_+)}} \right],$$

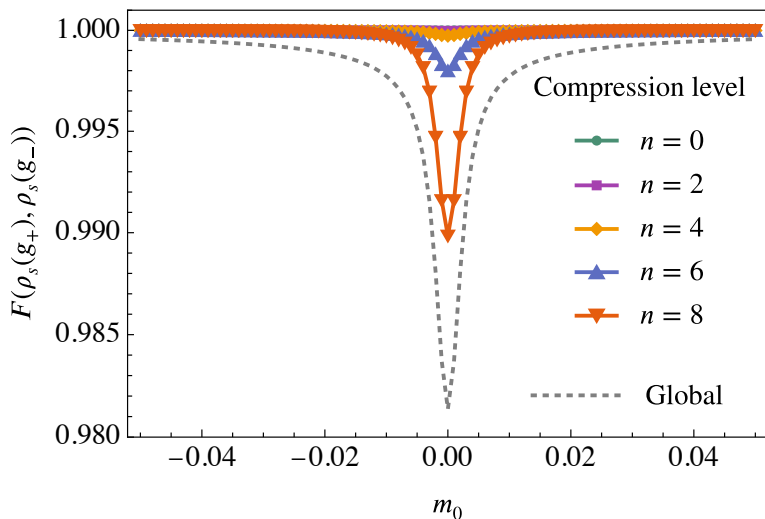
where $g_{\pm} = g \pm \delta/2$, and δ is small.

- For the fermionic Ising model, a QPT is evident at $m_0 = 0$ and the overlap fidelity can be shown to drop from approximately 1 to

$$F(m_0 = 0) \approx 1 - \frac{\delta^2 V^2}{8\pi^2}$$

- Can we see this in a coarse-grained wavelet basis state?

Identifying quantum phase transitions



- Yes, the phase transition is clearly evident.
- Suggests potential of wavelet compression for e.g. experimental observations of phase transitions
- Fast wavelet transform in $\mathcal{O}(V \log(V))$ in the number of modes

Conclusion

- Wavelets provide a natural basis for describing multi-scale properties of QFTs
- In particular, features like renormalisation are readily apparent - and the wavelet index \mathcal{K} allows tuning the bulk geometry in the holographic picture.
- Wavelet state compression can work - we can use reduced states coarse-grained in a wavelet basis to identify phase transitions, and without needing to fine-tune e.g. tensor network descriptions for the specifics of the QFT
- Future research directions:
 - How do **excitations** behave in the bulk?
 - How do correlations scale for **thermal states**?
 - Can we replicate the **black-hole bulk geometry** of Qi (2013) and relate the behaviour of the metric to the wavelet index \mathcal{K} ?
 - Can we use **continuous wavelets** to better understand entanglement in continuous QFTs?
 - Do wavelets offer any advantages when describing **bandlimited QFT** and/or **interacting theories** (e.g. ϕ^4)