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# Quantum Entanglement of Local Operators

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## Motivation





2. A state is defined by acting a local operator on the ground state:

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 $\Delta S_A^{(n)}$  is defined by the excess of REE:

$$\Delta S_A^{(n)} = S_A^{(n)Ex} - S_A^{(n)G},$$

where

• REE for 
$$|\Psi\rangle = \mathcal{N}^{-1}\mathcal{O}(t, x^1) |0\rangle$$
:  
 $S_A^{(n)Ex} \sim \frac{1}{1-n} \log \left[ \frac{\int D\Phi \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}(r_1, \theta_{1,1})\mathcal{O}(r_2, \theta_{2,1})\cdots \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}(r_1, \theta_{1,n})\mathcal{O}(r_2, \theta_{2,n})}{(\int D\Phi \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}(r_1, \theta_{1,1})\mathcal{O}(r_2, \theta_{2,1}))^n} \right]$ 

• REE for Ground State:

$$S_A^{(n)} \sim \frac{1}{1-n} \log\left[\frac{Z_n}{Z_1^n}\right]$$









### Example

We consider *free massless scalar* field theory in *d+1 dim*. Especially, we focus on that in *4 dim*.

We act a local operator  $\phi(-t, -l, \mathbf{x})$  on the ground state:  $|\Psi\rangle = \mathcal{N}^{-1}\phi(-t, -l, \mathbf{x}) |0\rangle$ Subsystem A :  $x^1 \ge 0$  $x_1 = -|$ We measure the second (Renyi) entanglement entropies  $\Delta S^{(2)}_{A}$  at t=0. **X**<sub>1</sub> *Time evolution!!* 





We can interpret this behavior in terms of *the relativistic propagation of an entangled pair*.



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#### Generalize Results

We defined *the (Renyi) entanglement entropies of operators* by the late time values of  $\Delta S_A^{(n)}$ .

The (Renyi) entanglement entropies of specific operators (:  $(\partial^m \phi)^k$ :) which are composed of single species operator are given by

$$\Delta S_A^{(n)f} = \frac{1}{1-n} \log \left( \frac{1}{2^{nk}} \sum_{j=0}^k ({}_kC_j)^n \right).$$
$$\Delta S_A = k \cdot \log 2 - \frac{1}{2^k} \sum_{j=0}^k {}_kC_j \log {}_kC_j.$$

#### for any dimension.

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#### Sum rule

We acts various local operators on the ground state.



They are given by the sum of the REE for the state defined by acting each operators  $\mathcal{O}^i(t^1, x^{1,i})$  on the ground state.

# Summary

- We defined the (Renyi) entanglement entropies of local operators.
  - -They characterize local operators from the viewpoint of quantum entanglement.
- These entropies of the operators (constructed of singlespecies operator) is given by the those of binomial distribution.
  - -The results we obtain in terms of entangled pair agree with the results we obtain by replica method.
- They obey the sum rule.

# **Future Problems**

- The formula for the operators constructed of multi-species operators:  $(\partial_r^m \phi)^k \phi^l$ : (generally depend on the spacetime dimension).
- The (Renyi) entanglement entropies of operators in the interacting field theory . (also massive and finite temp.)

• The (Renyi) entanglement entropies for the excited state defined by acting non-local operators.