

A Resource Theory Of Asymmetry For Gaussian Bosonic Systems

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Introduction & Background

Gaussianity & Symmetries As Operational Constraints

- Bosonic systems: photonic quantum computing [1], quantum networks [2], etc.
- Operational constraints on bosonic dynamics:

Gaussianity

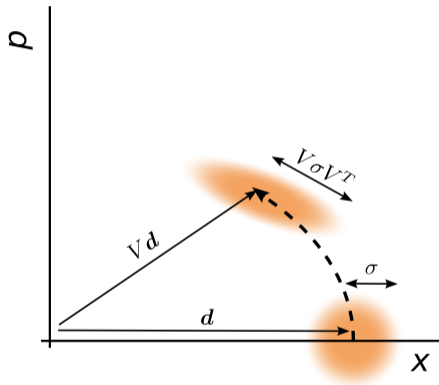
- low order approximation of quantum correlations [3]
- efficient to prepare and manipulate [4]

Symmetries

- fundamental restrictions on dynamics
- conservation laws [5]

Gaussianity

- **Bosonic modes:** $\hat{x}_1, \hat{p}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_n, \hat{p}_n$
→ $\hat{a}_j = (\hat{x}_j + \hat{p}_j)/\sqrt{2}$
- **Gaussian states:** $\hat{\rho} \in \mathcal{G}$
(fully characterized by d, σ)
- **Gaussian channels:** CPTP $\mathcal{E} : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$
- **Gaussian unitaries:** $\hat{D}_r \hat{V}$, $V\Omega V^T = \Omega$
→ **symplectic** if $r = 0$ (see diagram)
→ **passive** if also $VV^T = I$



Symmetries

- **Representation** of symmetry group G :

$$g \mapsto \hat{S}(g) \text{ for all } g \in G$$

- **Invariant** states & **Covariant** channels:

$$\hat{\rho} = \hat{S}(g) \hat{\rho} \hat{S}(g)^\dagger$$

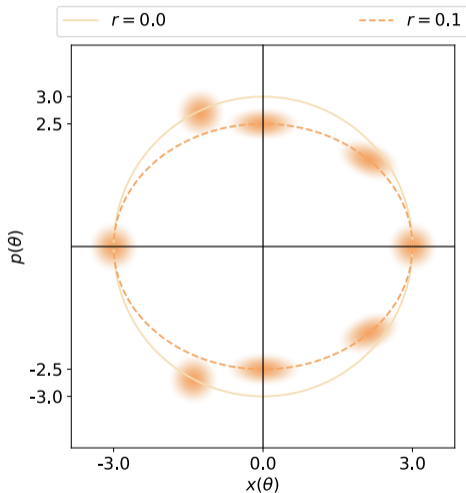
$$\mathcal{E}(\cdot) = \hat{S}(g)^\dagger \mathcal{E}(\hat{S}(g)(\cdot)\hat{S}(g)^\dagger) \hat{S}(g)$$

- Invariance on phase space:

$$S(g)\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{d}$$

$$S(g)\sigma S(g)^\text{T} = \sigma$$

- **Conjugate representation:** $g \mapsto \hat{S}(g)^*$



Gaussianity & Symmetries

What representations

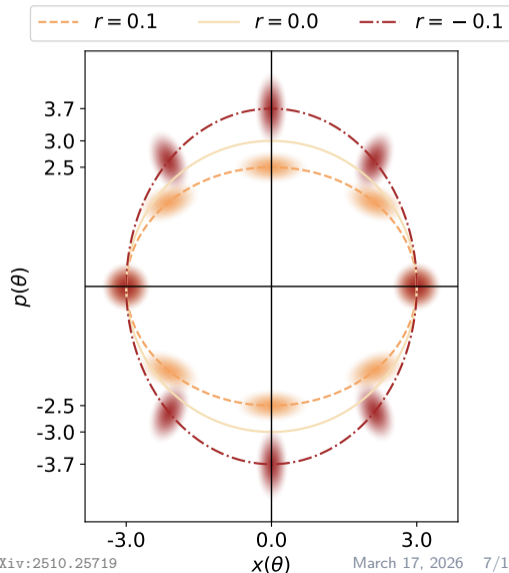
- (i) **admit invariant states**, and
- (ii) **preserve Gaussianity**?

Theorem

Every such representation

- (i) is symplectic,*
- (ii) is equivalent to a passive representation, and*
- (iii) admits invariant Gaussian **pure** states.*

We also fully characterize their irreps.



Examples

- U(1) symmetry: phase insensitivity, energy / photon conservation, angular momentum in z direction

$$t \mapsto \exp\left(it \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_j\right), \quad \omega_j \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\omega_j < 0$ can be implemented thermodynamically via modulation.

→ entangling 2-mode squeezers are allowed on modes with $\omega_j = -\omega_k$

- SU(2) symmetry: Schwinger boson representation of angular momentum [6]

$$U \mapsto \hat{S}(U) = e^{-i\alpha_1 \hat{J}_z} e^{-i\alpha_2 \hat{J}_x} e^{-i\alpha_3 \hat{J}_z}, \quad \hat{J}_z = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} - \hat{b}^\dagger \hat{b}), \quad \hat{J}_x = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b} + \hat{a} \hat{b}^\dagger)$$

Examples – side note

- Gaussian channels: X, Y s.t.

$$\mathbf{d} \rightarrow X\mathbf{d}, \quad \sigma \rightarrow X\sigma X^T + Y.$$

- U(1)–covariant Gaussian channels on 1 mode (well-known):

$$X = xI_2, \quad Y = yI_2, \\ \text{s.t. } y \geq |x^2 - 1|.$$

- SU(2)–covariant Gaussian channels on 2 modes (our result):

$$X = e^{\phi\Omega} \left(x_+ I_4 + x_- e^{\theta\Omega} X_- \right), \quad Y = yI_4, \\ \text{where } X_- := (Z \oplus Z) V_{\text{bs}} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right), \\ \text{s.t. } y \geq \sqrt{((x_+ - 1)^2 + x_-^2) ((x_+ + 1)^2 + x_-^2)}.$$

Main Questions

Under Gaussian & symmetric operational constraints, we identify:

- “Free” channels = Gaussian covariant channels
- “Free” states = Gaussian invariant states

Questions

1. How can we realize free channels?

Spoiler: We construct free dilations.

2. How can we quantify “resource”?

Spoiler: We derive monotones under free channels.

Main results

Covariant Gaussian Dilation

Lemma (Invariant Gaussian Purifications)

Every Gaussian state $\hat{\rho}_A$ on system A admits a Gaussian purification $|\psi\rangle_{A\bar{A}}$ [7], which is invariant if we choose the representation on \bar{A} as $\hat{S}_{\bar{A}} = \hat{S}_A^*$.

All such purifications are equivalent up to an invariant Gaussian unitary $\hat{U}_{\bar{A}}$ on \bar{A} .

How can we realize covariant Gaussian channels?

Covariant (qudit) dilation [8] ✓ Gaussian dilation [9] ✓ Combined ?

Theorem (Covariant Gaussian dilation)

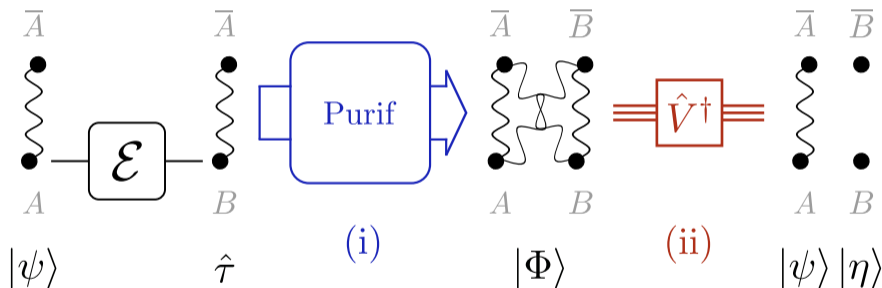
Every covariant Gaussian channel $\mathcal{E} : A \rightarrow B$ admits a covariant Gaussian dilation

$$\mathcal{E}(\cdot) = \text{tr}_{A\bar{B}} \left[\hat{V}_{AB\bar{B}} ((\cdot) \otimes |\eta\rangle\langle\eta|_{B\bar{B}}) \hat{V}_{AB\bar{B}}^\dagger \right],$$

for invariant Gaussian $|\eta\rangle$ and \hat{V} , and we choose the representation on \bar{B} as $\hat{S}_{\bar{B}} = \hat{S}_B^*$.

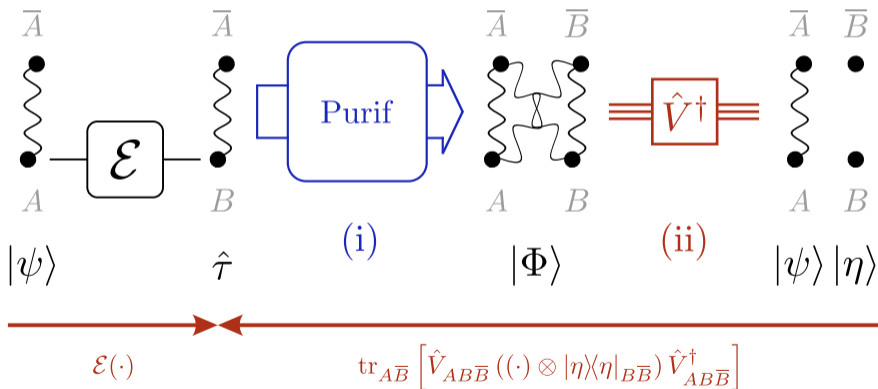
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(i) Purify channel output (ii) Decouple purification



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Gaussian Asymmetry Monotones

- Type-1 asymmetry: $S(g)\mathbf{d} \neq \mathbf{d}$ for some $g \in G$.
- Type-2 asymmetry: $S(g)\sigma S(g)^T \neq \sigma$ for some $g \in G$

Theorem

$2 \not\rightarrow 1$. No covariant channel can convert type-2 to type-1 asymmetry.

$1 \rightarrow 2$. There always exists a non-Gaussian covariant channel that converts type-1 to type-2 asymmetry, .

Remark: For non-Gaussian states, type- m asymmetry becomes relevant.

Gaussian Asymmetry Monotones

- **Type-1 asymmetry monotones.**

$$f_{\mu}(\hat{\rho}) = \text{rank of } \mathbf{d} \text{ projected onto non-trivial irrep } \mu.$$

- Example: For Abelian symmetries such as $U(1)$, $f_{\mu}(\hat{\rho}) \in \{0, 1\}$.

Gaussian Asymmetry Monotones

- **Type-2 asymmetry monotones.** A recipe:
 1. Pick Gaussian state $\hat{\rho}$ & Remove first moment $\hat{\rho} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\hat{\rho})$
 2. Pick asymmetry monotone f & Calculate $f(\mathcal{D}(\hat{\rho}))$
- Some monotones take closed forms for Gaussian states in terms of \mathbf{d}, σ , e.g.

$$f_{\alpha,g}(\hat{\rho}) := D_{\alpha}(\mathcal{D}(\hat{\rho}) || \hat{S}(g)\mathcal{D}(\hat{\rho})\hat{S}(g)^{\dagger}).$$

- Example: For U(1) passive representation $t \mapsto \exp(i\omega t I)$,

$$\begin{aligned} |r\rangle \mapsto f_{\alpha, \frac{\pi}{2\omega}}(|r\rangle) &= \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \sinh^2(2r) \right), \\ |\gamma\rangle \mapsto f_{\alpha, t}(|\gamma\rangle) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Summary & Outlook

Summary

- We study the interplay of Gaussianity & symmetries in bosonic dynamics.
- We fully characterize all symmetry representations that preserve Gaussianity.

Answers

1. How can we realize Gaussian symmetry-respecting channels?

Answer: We construct Gaussian symmetry-respecting dilations.

2. How can we quantify “resource” in a state?

Answer: We derive monotones for Gaussian symmetry-respecting channels.

- **Bonus:** Necessary and sufficient conditions for pure Gaussian state convertibility under unitary dynamics (incl. forthcoming 2604.xxxxx with David Jakob).

Central message: Symmetries + Gaussianity = Fine-grained conservation laws.

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