

SVD, Schmidt decomposition and purification

Which state is more entangled?

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\Psi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{3}} \\ |\Phi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array} \right.$$

Theorem:- Given a pure state $|\psi\rangle_{AB} \in \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,

\exists ON states $\{|e_i\rangle_A\} \in \mathcal{H}_A$ and $\{|f_j\rangle_B\} \in \mathcal{H}_B$

such that,

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{i=1}^R \lambda_i |e_i\rangle_A |f_i\rangle_B,$$

where $\{\lambda_i\}$ are non-negative real nos.

Satisfying $\sum_i \lambda_i^2 = 1$

Proof:- Let $\{|j\rangle_A\} \in \mathcal{H}_A$, $\{|k\rangle_B\} \in \mathcal{H}_B$ be

ON bases for \mathcal{H}_A and \mathcal{H}_B .

$$\begin{array}{l} \dim(\mathcal{H}_A) = d_A \\ \dim(\mathcal{H}_B) = d_B \\ d_A \neq d_B \end{array}$$

$$\text{Then, } |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{j=1}^{d_A} \sum_{k=1}^{d_B} c_{jk} |j\rangle_A |k\rangle_B.$$

Use:- Singular value decomposition:-

SVD: Any $m \times n$ complex-valued matrix can be decomposed as

$$G = U D V,$$

where $U \equiv m \times m$ unitary matrix

$V \equiv n \times n$ unitary matrix

$D \equiv m \times n$ rectangular diagonal matrix
with $r = \min(m, n)$ non-zero entries
on the diagonal.

Simple "proof":-

Let $M = \sqrt{C^T C}$ ($n \times n$ positive matrix)

\exists unitary V : $V^T \sqrt{C^T C} V = D$ (diagonal)

Let's say D has r non-zero entries.

$V = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline | \\ | \\ | \\ \hline \end{array} \right)_{n \times n}$ Pick the first r columns of V .

$V = (V_1, V_2) \Leftrightarrow V_1 = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline | \\ | \\ | \\ \hline \end{array} \right)_{n \times r}$ $V_2 = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline | \\ | \\ | \\ \hline \end{array} \right)_{n \times (n-r)}$

$V_1^T \sqrt{C^T C} V_1 = D_1$, $V_2^T \sqrt{C^T C} V_2 = 0$

Define: $U_1 = C V_1 D_1^{-1}$ ($m \times r$ matrix)

Symmetry! $U_1^T U_1 = D_1^{-1} \underbrace{V_1^T C^T C V_1}_{D_1} D_1^{-1} = I_{r \times r}$

Add rows to U_1 so that $U = (U_1, U_2)$ is a $m \times m$ unitary.

$$UDV^T = (U_1, U_2) \begin{pmatrix} D_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_1^T \\ V_2^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= U_1 D_1 V_1^T = \underline{\underline{C}}$$

* The eigenvalues of $\sqrt{C^T C}$ are called the singular values of C .

* Given SVD, $C = UDV^T$

$$C^{\dagger}C = VDU^{\dagger}UDV^{\dagger} = VD^2V^{\dagger}$$

$$CC^{\dagger} = UDV^{\dagger}VDU^{\dagger} = UD^2U^{\dagger}$$

\therefore Eigenvalues of $C^{\dagger}C \equiv$ e values of CC^{\dagger}
 $=$ sq. of singular values
of C .

* columns of V : right singular vectors
eigenvectors of $C^{\dagger}C$

* columns of U : left singular vectors
eigenvectors of CC^{\dagger}

(Simpler proof of SVD: - Section 2.1.10 of Nielsen & Chuang)

* Back to Schmidt decomposition!

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{jk} C_{jk} |j\rangle_A |k\rangle_B$$

SVD: $C_{jk} = \sum_{p=1}^{d_A} \sum_{q=1}^{d_B} U_{jp} d_{pq} V_{qk}$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} d_{pq} = \delta_{pq} d_{pp} \\ \text{for } 0 \leq p, q \leq r \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{array} \right)$

$$\therefore |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{pq} \sum_{j=1}^{d_A} \sum_{k=1}^{d_B} U_{jp} d_{pq} V_{qk} |j\rangle_A |k\rangle_B$$

$$= \sum_{p,q} d_{pq} \left[\left(\sum_{j=1}^{d_A} U_{jp} |j\rangle_A \right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^{d_B} V_{qk} |k\rangle_B \right) \right]$$

Define $|e_p\rangle_A \equiv \sum_j U_{jp} |j\rangle_A$, $|f_q\rangle_B \equiv \sum_k V_{qk} |k\rangle_B$

$$\langle e_\ell | e_i \rangle = \delta_{i\ell} = \langle f_\ell | f_i \rangle$$

by unitarity of U and V .

$$\therefore |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{p,q} d_{pq} |e_p\rangle_A |f_q\rangle_B = \sum_{p=1}^r d_{pp} |e_p\rangle_A |f_p\rangle_B$$

$\sum_i d_{ii} = 1$ follows from $\langle \psi_{AB} | \psi_{AB} \rangle = 1$.

(1) Usefulness of Schmidt decomposition:-

(i) Reduced density operators:-

$$\rho_A = \sum_i \lambda_i^2 |i\rangle\langle i| \quad \rho_B = \sum_j \lambda_j^2 |j\rangle\langle j|$$

Have identical eigenvalues!

(ii) # of non-zero Schmidt coefficients

$r \equiv$ Schmidt number / Schmidt rank

A measure of how entangled the state is.

$$1 \leq r \leq \min(d_A, d_B)$$

• If Schmidt rank $(|\psi\rangle_{AB}) = 1$, $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = |e_i\rangle_A \otimes |f_i\rangle_B$
product state!

• Any state $|\psi\rangle_{AB}$ with $r > 1$ is entangled!

(iii) Entanglement entropy:-

Given, Schmidt form: $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_i \lambda_i |i\rangle_A |i\rangle_B$, $\sum_i \lambda_i^2 = 1$

$$\rho_A = \sum_i \lambda_i^2 |i\rangle_A \langle i| \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_B = \sum_i \lambda_i^2 |i\rangle_B \langle i|$$

• $\{\lambda_i^2\}$ is a probability distribution ($0 \leq \lambda_i^2 \leq 1$)

* Shannon entropy: $H(\{\lambda_i^2\}) = - \sum_i \lambda_i^2 \log_2 \lambda_i^2$

$$\equiv H(\rho_A) = H(\rho_B)$$

$$0 \leq H(\rho_A) \leq \log_2 r$$

• Entanglement entropy $\equiv H(\rho_A) = H(\rho_B)$ is a
of how entangled $|\psi\rangle_{AB}$ is.

* If $|\psi\rangle_{AB}$ is a product state, $H(S_A) = 0 = H(S_B)$
 $|\psi\rangle_{AB}$ is maximally entangled, $H(S_A) = \log_2 d = H(S_B)$.

(3) Transforming to the Schmidt basis :-

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{ij} c_{ij} |i\rangle_A |j\rangle_B$$

$$\rho_A = \sum_{ijkl} c_{ij}^* c_{kl} |l\rangle\langle i|_A = \sum_{i,l} a_{il} |l\rangle\langle i|$$

Diagonalize ρ_A ; let $\{|e_i\rangle_A\}$ be the basis in which ρ_A is diagonal.

$$\therefore \rho_A = \sum_i \lambda_i^2 |e_i\rangle\langle e_i|_A$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } |\psi_{AB}\rangle &= \sum_{ij} \alpha_{ij} |e_i\rangle_A |j\rangle_B \\ &= \sum_i |e_i\rangle_A |\tilde{v}_i\rangle_B, \text{ where,} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\tilde{v}_i\rangle_B = \sum_j d_{ij} |j\rangle_B$$

Partial trace over B

$$\Rightarrow \rho_A = \sum_{i,l} \langle \tilde{v}_l | \tilde{v}_i \rangle |e_i\rangle\langle e_l|_A$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \tilde{v}_l | \tilde{v}_i \rangle = \lambda_i \delta_{il}$$

\therefore The $\{|\tilde{v}_i\rangle_B\}$ are orthogonal indeed!

$$\text{Normalize them: } |f_i\rangle_B = \lambda_i^{-1} |\tilde{v}_i\rangle_B$$

$$\text{Then, } |\psi_{AB}\rangle = \sum_i \lambda_i |e_i\rangle_A |f_i\rangle_B.$$

(4) Purification:

Given $\rho_A \rightarrow |\psi\rangle_{AB}$ such that $\text{Tr}_B(|\psi\rangle_{AB}\langle\psi|_{AB})$

$$\rho_A = \sum_i p_i |v\rangle\langle v| \rightarrow |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_i \sqrt{p_i} |v\rangle_A |v\rangle_B$$

* Local unitary freedom :-

$(I_A \otimes U_B) |\psi\rangle_{AB}$ is also a valid purification
of ρ_A ,

where U_B is a unitary on B_B alone.

