

# Extending HOSVD for Entanglement Classification



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# Classifying orbits of a group acting on a vector space

Dynkin<sup>1</sup>: a classification of representations is a set of “characteristics” satisfying:

- The characteristics must be **invariant** under inner automorphisms so that the characteristics of equivalent representations must coincide.
- They should be **complete**: If two representations have the same characteristics, they must be equivalent.
- They should be compact and **easy to compute**.

The trichotomy for orbit classifications:

- **Finitely** many orbits (must have  $\dim V \leq \dim G$ ).
- **Tame** orbits, classified using finitely (at least  $\dim V - \dim G$ ) many parameters.
- **Wild** orbit structure.

Attempt to give **normal forms** as Dynkin's characteristics.

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<sup>1</sup>E. B. Dynkin, *Semisimple subalgebras of semisimple Lie algebras*, Am. Math. Soc. Trans. 1960

# Orbit Classification for Quantum Information

Quantum Information is interested in two different group actions on  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$ :

- Local Unitary (LU) =  $SU_d \times \cdots \times SU_d$ .
- Stochastic Local Operations and Classical Communication (SLOCC) =  $SL_d \times \cdots \times SL_d$ .
- Tensors represent quantum states of systems of particles.
- Orbits represent equivalence classes of entanglement types.

# LU Orbit Classification

Orbits for  $SU_{d_1} \times \cdots \times SU_{d_n}$  acting on  $\mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_n}$ :

- $n = 2$  matrix case: SVD classifies orbits via parameters (singular values).
- $n = 3$  generalized Schmidt decomposition, [Acín et al., 2000]
- $n \geq 4$  unknown even for qubits.
- $n \geq 4$  for *general* states [Krauss 2010] using HOSVD.

# SLOCC Orbit Classification

Orbits for  $SL_{d_1} \times \cdots \times SL_{d_n}$  acting on  $\mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_n}$ :

- $n = 2$  matrix case: rank classifies orbits.
- $n = 3$  qubits [classical, or GKZ 1994, or Dür et al. 2000]
- $n = 3$  qutrits [Thrall-Chanler 1938, Ng 1995, Nurmiev 2000, Di Trani et al. 2023]
- $n = 4$  qubits [Cherental and Djokovic 2007, Dietrich et al. 2022]
- $n \geq 5$  *general* qubits [Oeding-Tan 2025]
- otherwise, wildly open.

# Our Approach

- We cast HOSVD in the more general context of normal form algorithms via reduction maps in the Hermitian,  $\mathbb{C}$ -orthogonal and  $\mathbb{C}$ -symplectic cases.
- We introduce the complex orthogonal HOSVD.
- We introduce a pair of algorithms (in the even and odd cases) for qubit classification for general states.

# SVD

Given  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ . Then  $A^*A$  and  $AA^*$  are Hermitian, hence unitarily diagonalizable:  
There exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}(m)$  and  $V \in \mathcal{U}(n)$  such that  $UA^*AU^* = \Sigma$  and  $V^*AA^*V = \Sigma'$ , with  $\Sigma, \Sigma'$  quasi-diagonal with the same non-zero entries, and

$$A = (U, V).\Sigma = U\Sigma V^*$$

The matrix  $\Sigma$  of singular values  $\sigma_1 \geq \cdots \sigma_r \geq 0$  is the normal form (used  $\mathfrak{S}_n$ ).  
SVD algorithm: Input  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ . Output  $A = U\Sigma V^*$  as above.

- Compute ONB eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the smaller of  $AA^*$  and  $A^*A$  to get unitary  $U$  or  $V$ , and  $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$ .
- If you have  $A, U$ , then  $A = U\Sigma V^*$  gives  $U^*A = \Sigma V^*$ , solve for  $V$ .
- If you have  $A, V$ , then  $A = U\Sigma V^*$  gives  $AV = U\Sigma$ , solve for  $U$ .

Over the reals, get  $U, V$  real orthogonal.

# SVD Notes

Starting from  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  and  $(g, h) \in \mathcal{U}(m) \times \mathcal{U}(n)$  acting via  $(g, h).A = gAh^*$ .

Have a map  $\pi: \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_m$  to Hermitian matrices defined by  $\pi(A) = AA^*$ .

This map has a homomorphism-like property for  $\mathcal{U}_m$ :

$$\pi((g, h).A) = \pi(gAh^*) = gAh^*(gAh^*)^* = gAA^*g^* = g.\pi(A)$$

This allows us to **pull back the normal form** from  $\mathbb{H}_m$  to  $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ .

Also have a map  $\pi_{(1)}: \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_n$  defined by  $\pi_{(1)}(A) = A^*A$  with

$$\pi_{(1)}((g, h).A) = \pi_{(1)}(gAh^*) = (gAh^*)^*gAh^* = hA^*Ah^* = h.\pi_{(1)}(A)$$

This allows us to **pull back the normal form** from  $\mathbb{H}_n$  to  $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ .

They happen to give essentially the same information.

# HOSVD

[DeLathauwer, Lim, Qi, and others have introduced several notions of SVD for tensors]

Input:  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times \dots \times d_n}$ .

Output:  $(U_1, \dots, U_n) \in \mathcal{U}(d_1) \times \dots \times \mathcal{U}(d_n)$  and  $\Sigma$  “all-orthogonal” such that  $A = (U_1, \dots, U_n) \cdot \Sigma$

- Flatten (reshape):  $A_{(1)} = (A)_{i_1, (i_2, \dots, i_n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times (d_2 \dots d_n)}$
- Compute left singular vectors, from  $A_{(1)} A_{(1)}^* \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times d_1}$  to produce unitary  $U_1$
- $\vdots$
- Flatten (reshape):  $A_{(n)} = (A)_{i_n, (i_1, \dots, i_{n-1})} \in \mathbb{C}^{d_n \times (d_1 \dots d_{n-1})}$
- Compute left singular vectors, from eig  $A_{(n)} A_{(n)}^* \in \mathbb{C}^{d_n \times d_n}$  to produce unitary  $U_n$
- Compute  $\Sigma = (U_1, \dots, U_n) \cdot A$
- $D_i = \Sigma_{(i)} \Sigma_{(i)}^*$  is real diagonal with weakly decreasing diagonal entries for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Edge cases?

# HOSVD Notes

- Starting from  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times \cdots \times d_n}$  and  $(U_1, \dots, U_n) \in \mathcal{U}(d_1) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{U}(d_n)$  acting via modal products  $(U_1, \dots, U_n).A$
- Have maps  $\pi_{(i)}: \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times \cdots \times d_n} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_{d_i}$  defined by  $\pi_{(i)}(A) = A_{(i)}A_{(i)}^*$ .
- This map has a homomorphism-like property for  $\mathcal{U}_{d_i}$  for each  $i$ .
- We are essentially pulling back the normal forms from  $\mathbb{H}_{d_i}$ .

# Reduction maps

Let a product of groups  $G = G_1 \times \cdots \times G_n$  act on a set  $\mathcal{S}$ . A reduction map is a function  $\pi: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_i$  if for all  $(g_1, \dots, g_n) \in G$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{S}$  we have

$$\pi((g_1, \dots, g_n).x) = g_i.\pi(x).$$

## Example

Direct sum of representations  $\mathcal{S} = \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{C}^{d_n}$  of  $G_i \mapsto \mathrm{GL}(\mathbb{C}^{d_i})$ .

Projection  $\mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{d_i}$  is a reduction map.

# Reduced Density Matrices

Notation: for  $\Phi \in V = V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n$ , a flattening is  $\Phi_{(i)}: V_i^* \rightarrow V_i$ . For  $G = G_1 \times \cdots \times G_n$ , we have  $(g \cdot \Phi)_{(i)} = g_i \Phi_{(i)} \hat{g}_i^\top$ .

## Example

$\mathcal{S} = \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_2}$  with  $G = U_{d_1} \times U_{d_2}$ , and  $\mathcal{S}_1$  the  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space of Hermitian matrices. The map  $\pi(\Phi) = \Phi_{(1)} \Phi_{(1)}^*$  is a reduction map since:

$$\pi((U_1, U_2) \cdot \Phi) = U_1 \Phi_{(1)} U_2^\top (U_1 \Phi_{(1)} U_2^\top)^* = U_1 \Phi_{(1)} \Phi_{(1)}^* U_1 = U_1 \cdot \pi(\Phi).$$

# A reduction map for SLOCC and qubits

- $\Phi \in V = V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n$ , each  $V_i = \mathbb{C}^2$ ,
- $G = \mathrm{SL}_2 \times \cdots \times \mathrm{SL}_2$ ,
- $\mathcal{S}_i = S^2 V_i$  for  $n$ -odd,  $\mathcal{S}_i = \wedge^2 V_i$  for  $n$ -even, both with the action  $A.M = AMA^\top$  for  $A \in \mathrm{SL}_2$  and  $M \in \mathcal{S}_i$ .
- Set  $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,
  - ▶  $AJA^\top = \det(A)J$ .
  - ▶ Note  $J^{\otimes k}$  is symmetric (resp. skew) when  $k$  is even (odd).

We have reduction maps  $\pi_i: V \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_i$  defined by  $\pi_i(\Phi) = \Phi_{(i)} J^{\otimes(n-1)} \otimes \Phi_{(i)}^\top$ . since

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_i((A_1, \dots, A_n).\Phi) &= A_i \Phi_{(i)} \widehat{A_i}^\top J^{\otimes(n-1)} (A_i \Phi_{(i)} \widehat{A_i}^\top)^\top \\
 &= A_i \Phi_{(i)} \widehat{A_i}^\top J^{\otimes(n-1)} \widehat{A_i} \Phi_{(i)}^\top A_i^\top \\
 &= A_i \Phi_{(i)} J^{\otimes(n-1)} \Phi_{(i)}^\top A_i^\top \\
 &= A_i.\pi_i(\Phi)
 \end{aligned}$$

# A reduction map for SLOCC and qubits

- Set  $T := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \text{im} & \text{im} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ \text{im} & 0 & 0 & -\text{im} \end{pmatrix}$ , giving the isomorphism

$$\text{SL}_2 \otimes \text{SL}_2 \longrightarrow \text{SO}_4$$

$$A \otimes B \longmapsto T(A \otimes B)T^*$$

- $\Phi \in V = V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n$ , each  $V_i = \mathbb{C}^2$ , and  $G = \text{SL}_2 \times \cdots \times \text{SL}_2$ ,
- For  $n$  even, set  $\mathcal{S}_{ij} \cong S^2(V_i \otimes V_j)$ , the space of  $4 \times 4$  complex symmetric matrices
- For  $n$  odd, set  $\mathcal{S}_{ij} \cong \wedge^2(V_i \otimes V_j)$ , the space of  $4 \times 4$  complex skew-symmetric matrices
- Set  $\Phi_{(ij)}$  the 2-flattening.
- Define the reduction map  $\pi_{ij} : V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{ij}$  by  
$$\pi_{ij}(\Phi) = T\Phi_{(ij)}J^{\otimes(n-2)}\Phi_{(ij)}^\top T^\top.$$
- If  $\Phi, \Phi' \in V$  are in the same SLOCC orbit, then  $\pi_{ij}(\Phi)$  and  $\pi_{ij}(\Phi')$  are in the same  $\text{SO}_4$ -orbit by conjugation. (see [Li 2018] for a weaker claim).

# Summary of reduction maps

reduction map	source and target	groups
$\pi : \Phi \mapsto \Phi_{(1)} \Phi_{(1)}^*$	$\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^e \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d*}$	$\mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{U}_e ; \mathcal{U}_d$
$\pi : \Phi \mapsto \Phi_{(1)} \Phi_{(1)}^\top$	$\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^e \rightarrow S^2 \mathbb{C}^d$	$O_d \times O_e ; O_d$
$\pi_i : \Phi \mapsto \Phi_{(i)} J^{\otimes(n-1)} \Phi_{(i)}^\top$	$V \rightarrow S^2 \mathbb{C}^2 \text{ or } \wedge^2 \mathbb{C}^2$	$SL_2^{\times n} ; SL_2$
$\pi_{ij} : \Phi \mapsto T \Phi_{(ij)} J^{\otimes(n-2)} \Phi_{(ij)}^\top T^\top$	$V \rightarrow S^2 \mathbb{C}^4 \text{ or } \wedge^2 \mathbb{C}^4$	$SL_2^{\times n} ; SL_2 \times SL_2 \rightarrow SO_4$

Table: Some Reduction Maps

# Core Elements

Recall  $G = G_1 \times \cdots \times G_n$  acting on  $\mathcal{S}$ . A reduction map is a function  $\pi: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_i$  if for all  $(g_1, \dots, g_n) \in G$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{S}$  we have

$$\pi((g_1, \dots, g_n).x) = g_i.\pi(x).$$

## Definition

A normal form function is a map  $F: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$  so that  $x$  and  $F(x)$  are in the same  $G$ -orbit, and for  $x, y \in V$ ,  $F(x) = F(y)$  implies that  $x$  and  $y$  are in the same orbit.

# Core Elements

## Lemma (Existence and Uniqueness of Core Elements)

Let  $G_1, \dots, G_n$  be groups. Suppose  $G_1 \times \dots \times G_n$  acts on a set  $S$  and for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$  there exists a reduction map  $\pi_i: S \rightarrow S_i$  to a  $G_i$ -set  $S_i$ :

$$\pi_i((g_1, \dots, g_n) \cdot x) = g_i \cdot \pi_i(x) \quad \text{for all } g_i \in G_i, x \in S. \quad (1)$$

Fix a normal form function  $F_i: S_i \rightarrow S_i$  for the  $G_i$ -action on  $S_i$ . Then for each  $x \in S$  there exists a **core element**  $\omega \in S$ , which is defined by the properties:

- $x = (g_1, \dots, g_n) \cdot \omega$  for some  $g_i \in G_i$ , and
- $\pi_i(\omega) = F_i(\pi_i(\omega))$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Moreover, the core element is unique up to the action of  $H_1 \times \dots \times H_n \leq G_1 \times \dots \times G_n$ , where  $H_i = \{g \in G_i : g \cdot \pi_i(\omega) = \pi_i(\omega)\}$  is the stabilizer subgroup of  $\pi_i(\omega)$ .

Note the Core Lemma implies HOSVD.

# Complex Orthogonal SVD

Consider  $\mathcal{S}_i = S^2 V_i$  as a representation of  $SO(V_i)$ : Define

$$\pi_i: V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_i, \quad \text{where} \quad \pi_i(\Phi) = \Phi_{(i)} \Phi_{(i)}^\top$$

for  $\Phi \in V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n$ . Then  $\pi_i$  is a reduction map.

## Theorem (Complex Orthogonal Symmetric SVD)

*Every  $M \in S^2 \mathbb{C}^n$  can be factored as  $M = UDU^\top$  where  $U \in SO_n$  and  $D = J_{k_1}(\lambda_1) \oplus \cdots \oplus J_{k_r}(\lambda_r)$  is a direct sum of symmetrized Jordan blocks. We can uniquely specify  $D$  by ordering blocks.*

Can use this to pull back normal forms to space of tensors via the reduction maps.

# Symmetrized Jordan Blocks

$$J_k(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 1 & \lambda \end{pmatrix} + \text{im} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & -1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & -1 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Complex Orthogonal HOSVD

## Theorem ((Orthogonal HOSVD), Oeding-Tan 2025)

*For each tensor  $\Phi \in V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_n$  there exists a core tensor  $\Omega$  such that*

- $\Phi = (U_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes U_n)\Omega$  for some  $U_i \in \text{SO}_{d_i}$ , and
- $D_i = \Omega_{(i)}\Omega_{(i)}^\top$  is a direct sum of symmetrized Jordan blocks in weakly decreasing order for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

*The core tensor is unique up to the action of  $H_1 \times \cdots \times H_n$ , where  $H_i \leq \text{SO}_{d_i}$  is the stabilizer subgroup of  $D_i$  by the conjugation action.*

## Proof.

Apply Core Lemma. □

# Complex Orthogonal HOSVD

*Input:* A tensor  $\Phi \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_n}$  such that for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $\Phi_{(i)} \Phi_{(i)}^\top$  has distinct eigenvalues.

*Output:* Core tensor  $\Omega$  for Orthogonal HOSVD.

1. For  $1 \leq i \leq n$  use Complex Orthogonal Symmetric SVD to factorize  $\Phi_{(i)} \Phi_{(i)}^\top = U_i D_i U_i^\top$ , where  $U_i \in SO_{d_i}$  and  $D_i$  is diagonal with decreasing diagonal entries.
2. Set  $\Omega \leftarrow (U_1^\top \otimes \cdots \otimes U_n^\top) \Phi$ .

# Normal forms for general qubits

We present a pair of algorithms in the even and odd cases that give normal forms for  $n \geq 5$  general qubits for the SLOCC action.

These algorithms build on the Core Lemma, and repeatedly use reduction maps to pull back normal forms.

# Simple normal form under unitary stabilizers

*Input:*  $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}_n = \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$  such that  $\Omega_{\mathbf{v}} \neq 0$  whenever  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

*Output:* The unique  $\Omega'$  in the  $H^{\times n}$ -orbit of  $\Omega$  such that each entry  $\Omega'_{\mathbf{v}}$  is real and positive whenever  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

1. Update  $\Omega \leftarrow e^{\mathrm{i}m t} \Omega$ , where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $e^{\mathrm{i}m t} \Omega_0$  is real and positive.
2. For  $1 \leq i \leq n$  choose  $t_i \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $e^{\mathrm{i}m t_i} \Omega_{\mathbf{v}^i}$  is real and positive.
3. Compute  $\Omega' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & e^{\mathrm{i}m t_1} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \cdots \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & e^{\mathrm{i}m t_n} \end{pmatrix} \Omega$ .

# Kraus's algorithm

*Input:*  $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}_n = \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$  such that  $\Omega_0 \neq 0$ .

*Output:* The unique  $\Omega'$  in the  $H^{\times n}$ -orbit of  $\Omega$  such that each entry  $\Omega'_v$  is real and positive whenever  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{0\}$ , where  $\mathcal{B} \subset \text{supp}(\Omega)$  is constructed from  $\text{supp}(\Omega)$  by the algorithm.

1. Update  $\Omega \leftarrow e^{i\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{t}} \Omega$ , where  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $e^{i\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{t}} \Omega_0$  is real and positive.
2. Construct  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^m\}$  as follows. First set  $\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \emptyset$ . Then, going over elements  $\mathbf{v} \in \text{supp}(\Omega) \setminus \{0\}$  in increasing lex order append  $\mathbf{v}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$  if  $\mathbf{v}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$  from the vectors already in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Stop once  $\mathcal{B}$  spans the same space as  $\text{supp}(\Omega)$ .
3. Compute any row vector  $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} t_1 & \dots & t_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}^1 & \dots & \mathbf{v}^m \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \arg(\Omega_{\mathbf{v}^1}) & \dots & \arg(\Omega_{\mathbf{v}^m}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

4. Compute  $\Omega' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{t}_1} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \cdots \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{t}_n} \end{pmatrix} \Omega$ .

# Simple normal form under orthogonal stabilizers

*Input:*  $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}_n$  such that  $\operatorname{Re}(\Omega_{\mathbf{v}}) \neq 0$  whenever  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

*Output:* The unique  $\Omega'$  in the  $\mathcal{T}^{\times n}$ -orbit of  $\Omega$  such that  $\operatorname{Re}(\Omega'_{\mathbf{v}}) > 0$  whenever  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

1. Update  $\Omega \leftarrow (-1)^t \Omega$ , where  $t \in \{0, 1\}$  such that  $(-1)^t \operatorname{Re}(\Omega_0)$  is positive.
2. For  $1 \leq i \leq n$  choose  $t_i \in \{0, 1\}$  such that  $(-1)^{t_i} \operatorname{Re}(\Omega_{\mathbf{v}_i})$  is positive.
3. Compute  $\Omega' \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & (-1)^{t_1} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \cdots \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & (-1)^{t_n} \end{pmatrix} \Omega$ .

# General normal form under orthogonal stabilizers (NFOS)

*Input:* A tensor  $\Omega \in \mathcal{H}_n$ .

*Output:* The unique  $\Omega'$  in the  $\mathcal{T}^{\times n}$ -orbit of  $\Omega$  such that  $s(\Omega'_{\mathbf{v}}) = 0$  whenever  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{B} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$ , where  $\mathcal{B} \subset \text{supp}(\Omega)$  is constructed from  $\text{supp}(\Omega)$  by the algorithm.

1. Update  $\Omega \leftarrow (-1)^t \Omega$ , where  $t \in \{0, 1\}$  such that  $s((-1)^t \Omega_{\mathbf{0}}) = 0$ .
2. Construct  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}^1, \dots, \mathbf{v}^m\}$  as follows. First set  $\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \emptyset$ . Then, going over elements  $\mathbf{v} \in \text{supp}(\Omega) \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$  in increasing lex order append  $\mathbf{v}$  to  $\mathcal{B}$  if  $\mathbf{v}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  from the vectors already in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Stop once  $\mathcal{B}$  spans the same space as  $\text{supp}(\Omega)$ .
3. Compute any row vector  $(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  satisfying the system

$$\begin{pmatrix} t_1 & \dots & t_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}^1 & \dots & \mathbf{v}^m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} s(\Omega_{\mathbf{v}^1}) & \dots & s(\Omega_{\mathbf{v}^m}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

4. Compute  $\Omega' \leftarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & (-1)^{t_1} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \dots \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & (-1)^{t_n} \end{pmatrix} \Omega$ .

# SLOCC normal form for general qubits, even case

*Input:* A tensor  $\Phi \in \mathcal{H}_{2k} \cong (\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes k}$  with  $k > 1$  such that for each  $1 \leq i \leq k$  the matrix  $(T^{\otimes k}\Phi)_{(i)}(T^{\otimes k}\Phi)_{(i)}^\top$  has distinct eigenvalues.

*Output:* Normal form  $\Omega$  in the SLOCC orbit of  $\Phi$ .

1. Set  $\Phi' \leftarrow T^{\otimes k}\Phi$ .
2. Use OHOSVD Algorithm to compute a core tensor  $\Omega'$  for  $\Phi'$ .
3. Use NFOS Algorithm to compute the normal form  $\Omega''$  in the  $\mathcal{T}^{\times 2k}$ -orbit of  $\Omega'$ .
4. Set  $\Omega \leftarrow T^{*\otimes k}\Omega''$ .

# SLOCC normal form for general qubits, odd case

*Input:* A tensor  $\Phi \in \mathcal{H}_n$  general with  $n \geq 5$  odd.

*Output:* Normal form  $\Omega$  in the SLOCC orbit of  $\Phi$ .

1. For  $1 \leq i \leq n$  compute  $L_i \in \text{SL}_2$  such that  $L_i \pi_i(\Phi) L_i^\top = \sqrt{\delta_i} l_2$ , where  $\delta_i = \det(\pi_i(\Phi))$ .
2. Set  $\Psi \leftarrow (L_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes L_n) \Phi$  so that  $\pi_i(\Psi) = \sqrt{\delta_i} l_2$  for all  $i$ .
3. Update  $\Psi \leftarrow (A_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes A_n) \Psi$ , where  $A_i$  equals  $K$  if  $\pi_i(\Psi) = \sqrt{\delta_i} l_2$  is not in normal form, i.e. if  $\sqrt{\delta_i} < -\sqrt{\delta_i}$  in lex order, otherwise  $A_i = l_2$ .
4. Use OHOSVD Algorithm to compute a core tensor  $\Omega$  for  $\Psi$ .
5. If the first nonzero entry  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  of  $\Omega$  is less than  $-a$  in lex order, update  $\Omega \leftarrow -\Omega$ .