

A central limit theorem for mean field quantum dynamics

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Many-body quantum dynamics: consider an N -boson system, described by a **wave function**

$$\psi_N \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N}, dx_1 \dots dx_N) \quad \text{symmetric w.r.t. permutations}$$

$$|\psi_N(x_1, \dots, x_N)|^2 = \text{probability density} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \|\psi_N\|_2 = 1$$

Time evolution is governed by N -particle **Schrödinger equation**

$$i\partial_t \psi_{N,t} = H_N \psi_{N,t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \psi_{N,t} = e^{-iH_N t} \psi_N$$

H_N is self-adjoint operator on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3N})$, known as Hamiltonian. It has the form

$$H_N = \sum_{j=1}^N -\Delta_{x_j} + \lambda \sum_{i < j}^N V(x_i - x_j)$$

Typical situation: $N \simeq 10^3 - 10^{23} - \dots$

Goal: find effective equations to approximate many-body evolution.

Mean-field regime: $N \gg 1$, $\lambda \ll 1$, with $N\lambda$ fixed. We study dynamics generated by

$$H_N = \sum_{j=1}^N -\Delta_{x_j} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i < j}^N V(x_i - x_j)$$

in the limit of large N . We assume V to have at most Coulomb type singularities, i.e.

$$V^2(x) \leq (1 - \Delta)$$

Self-consistent evolution: consider a factorized initial state

$$\psi_{N,0}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{j=1}^N \varphi(x_j) \quad (\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_N)).$$

If factorization is approximately preserved in time,

$$\psi_{N,t}(\mathbf{x}) \simeq \prod_{j=1}^N \varphi_t(x_j)$$

we may replace the many-body interaction by an effective one-particle potential

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \neq j}^N V(x_i - x_j) \simeq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \neq j}^N \int dx_i V(x_i - x_j) |\varphi_t(x_i)|^2 \simeq (V * |\varphi_t|^2)(x_j)$$

The one-particle wave function φ_t must solve the self-consistent Hartree equation

$$i\partial_t \varphi_t = -\Delta \varphi_t + (V * |\varphi_t|^2) \varphi_t.$$

Reduced Densities: For $k = 1, \dots, N$, the reduced k -particle density matrix is given by

$$\gamma_{N,t}^{(k)} = \text{Tr}_{k+1, \dots, N} |\psi_{N,t}\rangle\langle\psi_{N,t}| \quad \text{acting on } L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3k})$$

$\gamma_{N,t}^{(k)}$ is an operator on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3k})$ with kernel

$$\gamma_{N,t}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x}_k; \mathbf{x}'_k) = \int d\mathbf{x}_{N-k} \psi_{N,t}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{x}_{N-k}) \bar{\psi}_{N,t}(\mathbf{x}'_k, \mathbf{x}_{N-k}),$$

with $\mathbf{x}_k = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$, $\mathbf{x}_{N-k} = (x_{k+1}, \dots, x_N)$, $\text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(k)} = 1$.

Convergence towards Hartree dynamics: for every fixed $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$, one finds

$$\gamma_{N,t}^{(k)} \rightarrow |\varphi_t\rangle\langle\varphi_t|^{\otimes k}$$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

First proof by [Erdős-Yau \(2000\)](#), using techniques of [Spohn \(1980\)](#), other methods and proofs by [Rodnianski-S. \(2007\)](#), [Fröhlich-Knowles-Schwarz \(2008\)](#), [Knowles-Pickl \(2009\)](#).

Fock space representation: let

$$\mathcal{F} = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} L_s^2(\mathbb{R}^{3n}, dx_1 \dots dx_n)$$

Vectors in \mathcal{F} are **sequences** $\psi = \{\psi^{(n)}\}_{n \geq 1}$ with $\psi^{(n)} \in L_s^2(\mathbb{R}^{3n})$.

Special vectors: vectors like

$$\{0, 0, \dots, 0, \psi_n, 0, \dots\} \in \mathcal{F} \quad \text{with } \psi_n \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^{3n})$$

have fixed number of particles ($\Omega = \{1, 0, \dots\}$ is the vacuum).

Creation and annihilation operators: for $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$, define

$$(a^*(f)\psi)^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_j) \psi^{(n-1)}(x_1, \dots, \hat{x}_j, \dots, x_n)$$

$$(a(f)\psi)^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sqrt{n+1} \int dx \overline{f(x)} \psi^{(n+1)}(x, x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

They satisfy **canonical commutation relations:**

$$[a(f), a^*(g)] = (f, g)_{L^2} \quad [a(f), a(g)] = [a^*(f), a^*(g)] = 0$$

We also introduce the operator-valued **distributions** a_x^*, a_x s.t.

$$a^*(f) = \int dx f(x) a_x^* \quad \text{and} \quad a(f) = \int dx \overline{f(x)} a_x$$

We define the **number of particle** operator

$$\mathcal{N} = \int dx a_x^* a_x$$

and the **Hamiltonian**

$$\mathcal{H}_N = \int dx \nabla_x a_x^* \nabla_x a_x + \frac{1}{N} \int dx dy V(x-y) a_x^* a_y^* a_y a_x$$

Observe that

$$e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} \{0, \dots, 0, \varphi^{\otimes N}, 0, \dots\} = \{0, \dots, 0, e^{-iH_N t} \varphi^{\otimes N}, 0, \dots\}$$

What did we gain by formulating the problem on Fock space?

Coherent states: for $\varphi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ define the Weyl operator

$$W(\varphi) = \exp(a^*(\varphi) - a(\varphi))$$

The coherent state with wave function φ is then given by

$$W(\varphi)\Omega = e^{-\|\varphi\|^2/2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^*(\varphi)^j}{j!} \Omega = e^{-\|\varphi\|^2/2} \left\{ 1, \varphi, \frac{\varphi^{\otimes 2}}{\sqrt{2}}, \dots \right\}$$

where $\Omega = \{1, 0, \dots\}$ is the vacuum.

- $W(\varphi)^* = W(\varphi)^{-1} = W(-\varphi)$

- $\langle W(\varphi)\Omega, \mathcal{N}W(\varphi)\Omega \rangle = \|\varphi\|^2$

- We have

$$W^*(\varphi) a_x W(\varphi) = a_x + \varphi(x),$$

$$W^*(\varphi) a_x^* W(\varphi) = a_x^* + \bar{\varphi}(x)$$

Evolution of coherent states: we consider the initial state

$$W(\sqrt{N}\varphi)\Omega = e^{-N/2} \left\{ 1, \sqrt{N}\varphi, \dots, \frac{N^{j/2}}{\sqrt{j!}} \varphi^{\otimes j}, \dots \right\}$$

and the one-particle density associated with its time-evolution

$$\Gamma_{N,t}^{(1)}(x; y) = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} W(\sqrt{N}\varphi)\Omega, a_y^* a_x e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} W(\sqrt{N}\varphi)\Omega \right\rangle$$

Expanding around $a_x \simeq \sqrt{N}\varphi_t(x)$, $a_y^* \simeq \sqrt{N}\bar{\varphi}_t(y)$, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma_{N,t}^{(1)}(x; y) - \varphi_t(x)\bar{\varphi}_t(y) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \Omega, W^*(\sqrt{N}\varphi) e^{i\mathcal{H}_N t} \left(a_y^* - \sqrt{N}\bar{\varphi}_t(y) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \times \left. \left(a_x - \sqrt{N}\varphi_t(x) \right) e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} W(\sqrt{N}\varphi)\Omega \right\rangle \\ &+ \frac{\varphi_t(x)}{\sqrt{N}} \left\langle \Omega, W^*(\sqrt{N}\varphi) e^{i\mathcal{H}_N t} \left(a_y^* - \sqrt{N}\bar{\varphi}_t(y) \right) e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} W(\sqrt{N}\varphi)\Omega \right\rangle \\ &+ \frac{\bar{\varphi}_t(y)}{\sqrt{N}} \left\langle \Omega, W^*(\sqrt{N}\varphi) e^{i\mathcal{H}_N t} \left(a_x - \sqrt{N}\varphi_t(x) \right) e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} W(\sqrt{N}\varphi)\Omega \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Fluctuation dynamics: since

$$\begin{aligned}(a_y^* - \sqrt{N} \bar{\varphi}_t(y)) &= W(\sqrt{N} \varphi_t) a_y^* W^*(\sqrt{N} \varphi_t) \\ (a_x - \sqrt{N} \varphi_t(y)) &= W(\sqrt{N} \varphi_t) a_x W^*(\sqrt{N} \varphi_t)\end{aligned}$$

we write, following ideas of [Hepp \(1973\)](#),

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{N,t}^{(1)}(x; y) - \varphi_t(x) \bar{\varphi}_t(y) &= \frac{1}{N} \langle \Omega, \mathcal{U}^*(t) a_y^* a_x \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle \\ &+ \frac{\varphi_t(x)}{\sqrt{N}} \langle \Omega, \mathcal{U}^*(t) a_y^* \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle + \frac{\bar{\varphi}_t(y)}{\sqrt{N}} \langle \Omega, \mathcal{U}^*(t) a_x \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\mathcal{U}(t) = W(\sqrt{N} \varphi_t) e^{-i\mathcal{H}_N t} W^*(\sqrt{N} \varphi)$$

The problem reduces essentially to estimating

$$\langle \Omega, \mathcal{U}^*(t) \mathcal{N} \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle$$

uniformly in N .

Observe that fluctuation dynamics satisfies

$$i\partial_t \mathcal{U}_N(t) = \mathcal{L}_N(t) \mathcal{U}_N(t) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{U}_N(0) = 1$$

with **time-dependent generator**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_N(t) = & \int dx \nabla_x a_x^* \nabla_x a_x + \int dx (V * |\varphi_t|^2)(x) a_x^* a_x \\ & + \int dx dy V(x-y) \varphi_t(x) \bar{\varphi}_t(y) a_x^* a_y \\ & + \int dx dy V(x-y) \left(\varphi_t(x) \varphi_t(y) a_x^* a_y^* + \bar{\varphi}_t(x) \bar{\varphi}_t(y) a_x a_y \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \int dx dy V(x-y) a_x^* \left(\bar{\varphi}_t(y) a_y + \varphi_t(y) a_y^* \right) a_x \\ & + \frac{1}{N} \int dx dy V(x-y) a_x^* a_y^* a_y a_x \end{aligned}$$

Growth of \mathcal{N} : $\mathcal{U}_N(t)$ does not preserve number of particles. Still, one can show [[Rodnianski-S. \(2008\)](#)]:

$$\langle \psi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) (\mathcal{N} + 1)^k \mathcal{U}(t) \psi \rangle \leq C e^{K|t|} \langle \psi, (\mathcal{N} + 1)^{2k+2} \psi \rangle$$

Consequence [Rodnianski-S. (2008)]: For every fixed $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists constants $C = C(k), K = K(k) > 0$ with

$$\mathrm{Tr} \left| \Gamma_{N,t}^{(k)} - |\varphi_t\rangle\langle\varphi_t|^{\otimes k} \right| \leq \frac{C e^{K|t|}}{N}$$

Limiting fluctuation dynamics [Ginibre-Velo (1979)]: as $N \rightarrow \infty$, $\mathcal{U}(t)$ approaches $\mathcal{U}_\infty(t)$ where

$$i\partial_t \mathcal{U}_\infty(t) = \mathcal{L}_\infty(t) \mathcal{U}_\infty(t)$$

with time-dependent generator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\infty(t) = & \int dx \nabla_x a_x^* \nabla_x a_x + \int dx (V * |\varphi_t|^2)(x) a_x^* a_x \\ & + \int dx dy V(x-y) \varphi_t(x) \bar{\varphi}_t(y) a_x^* a_y \\ & + \int dx dy V(x-y) \left(\varphi_t(x) \varphi_t(y) a_x^* a_y^* + \bar{\varphi}_t(x) \bar{\varphi}_t(y) a_x a_y \right) \end{aligned}$$

Since the generator is quadratic, $\mathcal{U}_\infty(t)$ can be described as a **Bogoliubov transformation**.

For $f, g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$, let $A(f, g) = a^*(f) + a(\bar{g})$.

A Bogoliubov transformation is a linear map

$$\Theta : L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \oplus L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \oplus L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$$

which preserves **canonical commutation relation**, i.e.

$$\left[A(\Theta(f_1, g_1)), A(\Theta(f_2, g_2)) \right] = \left[A(f_1, g_1), A(f_2, g_2) \right]$$

for all $f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$.

Easy to check:

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta \text{ Bogoliubov transf.} &\Leftrightarrow \Theta^* \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Theta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \Theta = \begin{pmatrix} U & V \\ \bar{V} & \bar{U} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where $U, V : L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ are s.t. $U^*U - V^*V = 1$ and $U^*\bar{V} - V^*\bar{U} = 0$.

The limiting fluctuation dynamics $\mathcal{U}_\infty(t)$ is so that

$$\mathcal{U}_\infty(t) A(f, g) \mathcal{U}_\infty^*(t) = A(\Theta_t(f, g))$$

for a **time-dependent Bogoliubov transformation**

$$\Theta_t = \begin{pmatrix} U_t & \bar{V}_t \\ V_t & \bar{U}_t \end{pmatrix}$$

A simple computation shows that $\Theta_{t=0} = 1$ and

$$i\partial_t \Theta_t = \begin{pmatrix} D_t & -\bar{B}_t \\ B_t & -\bar{D}_t \end{pmatrix} \Theta_t$$

with $D_t, B_t : L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ given by

$$D_t f = -\Delta f + (V * |\varphi_t|^2) f + (V * \bar{\varphi}_t f) \varphi_t$$

$$B_t f = (V * \bar{\varphi}_t f) \bar{\varphi}_t$$

Back to factorized data: we compute

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma_{N,t}^{(1)}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{N} \left\langle e^{-i\mathcal{H}_{Nt}} \frac{(a^*(\varphi))^N}{\sqrt{N!}} \Omega, a_x^* a_y e^{-i\mathcal{H}_{Nt}} \frac{(a^*(\varphi))^N}{\sqrt{N!}} \Omega \right\rangle \\
&= \frac{d_N}{N} \left\langle e^{-i\mathcal{H}_{Nt}} \frac{(a^*(\varphi))^N}{\sqrt{N!}} \Omega, a_x^* a_y e^{-i\mathcal{H}_{Nt}} P_N W(\sqrt{N}\varphi) \Omega \right\rangle \\
&= \frac{d_N}{N} \left\langle e^{-i\mathcal{H}_{Nt}} \frac{(a^*(\varphi))^N}{\sqrt{N!}} \Omega, a_x^* a_y e^{-i\mathcal{H}_{Nt}} W(\sqrt{N}\varphi) \Omega \right\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

with $d_N \simeq N^{1/4}$. We introduce fluctuation dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma_{N,t}^{(1)}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \xi, \mathcal{U}(t) (a_x^* + \sqrt{N}\bar{\varphi}_t(x)) (a_y + \sqrt{N}\varphi_t(y)) \mathcal{U}^*(t) \Omega \right\rangle \\
&= \bar{\varphi}_t(x) \varphi_t(y) + \frac{1}{N} \langle \xi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) a_x^* a_y \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle \\
&\quad + \frac{\bar{\varphi}_t(x)}{\sqrt{N}} \langle \xi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) a_y \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle + \frac{\varphi_t(y)}{\sqrt{N}} \langle \xi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) a_x^* \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\xi = d_N W^*(\sqrt{N}\varphi) \frac{(a^*(\varphi))^N}{\sqrt{N!}} \Omega$$

As before, the problem reduces to controlling the growth of

$$\langle \xi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) \mathcal{N} \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \rangle$$

uniformly in N .

Using the estimate

$$\|(\mathcal{N} + 1)^{-1} \xi\| \lesssim 1,$$

and the bounds

$$\langle \psi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) (\mathcal{N} + 1)^k \mathcal{U}(t) \psi \rangle \leq C e^{K|t|} \langle \psi, (\mathcal{N} + 1)^{2k+2} \psi \rangle$$

one obtains:

Theorem [Chen, Lee, S. (2011)]: For every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, there exist constants $C = C(k)$ and $K = K(k)$ such that

$$\mathrm{Tr} \left| \gamma_{N,t}^{(k)} - |\varphi_t\rangle \langle \varphi_t|^{\otimes k} \right| \leq \frac{C e^{K|t|}}{N}$$

A probabilistic setting: For a self-adjoint O on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$, let

$$\mathcal{O} = \sum_{j=1}^N O^{(j)} \quad \text{with } O^{(j)} = 1 \otimes \dots \otimes O \otimes \dots \otimes 1$$

For example, if $O = \chi_A(x)$, for $A \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, \mathcal{O} measures the number of particles in A .

At time $t = 0$, $\psi_N = \varphi^{\otimes N}$, and \mathcal{O} is a sum of iid random variables. Hence, we have a **law of large numbers**:

$$\mathbb{P}_{\varphi^{\otimes N}} \left(\left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (O^{(j)} - \langle \varphi, O\varphi \rangle) \right| \geq \delta \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

and a **central limit theorem**:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^N (O^{(j)} - \langle \varphi, O\varphi \rangle) \rightarrow N(0, \sigma^2), \quad \text{with } \sigma^2 = \langle \varphi, O^2\varphi \rangle - \langle \varphi, O\varphi \rangle^2$$

What happens at time $t \neq 0$?

The **law of large number** is still correct. In fact, with

$$\tilde{O} = O - \langle \varphi_t, O \varphi_t \rangle,$$

we find

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}_{\psi_{N,t}} \left(\left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \tilde{O}^{(j)} \right| \geq \delta \right) &\leq \frac{1}{\delta^2 N^2} \left\langle \psi_{N,t}, \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \tilde{O}^{(j)} \right)^2 \psi_{N,t} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\delta^2} \text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)} (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O}) + \frac{1}{\delta^2 N} \text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(1)} \tilde{O}^2 \\ &\rightarrow \frac{1}{\delta^2} \text{Tr} |\varphi_t\rangle \langle \varphi_t|^2 (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Natural question: does a central limit theorem hold w.r.t. $\psi_{N,t}$?

Theorem [Ben Arous, Kirkpatrick, S. (2011)]: W.r.t. the wave function $\psi_{N,t}$ the random variable

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^N (O^{(j)} - \langle \varphi_t, O \varphi_t \rangle)$$

converges in distribution, as $N \rightarrow \infty$ to a **centered Gaussian** random variable with **variance**

$$\sigma_t^2 = \left[\langle \Theta_t(O \varphi_t, \overline{O \varphi_t}), \Theta_t(O \varphi_t, \overline{O \varphi_t}) \rangle - \left| \left\langle \Theta_t(O \varphi_t, \overline{O \varphi_t}), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\varphi, \overline{\varphi}) \right\rangle \right|^2 \right]$$

Equivalently,

$$\sigma_t^2 = \|U_t O \varphi_t + JV_t O \varphi_t\|^2 - |\langle \varphi, U_t O \varphi_t + JV_t O \varphi_t \rangle|^2 \geq 0$$

So, w.r.t. $\psi_{N,t}$ central limit theorem still holds true, but the variance changes.

Ideas from proof: compute moments in the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$.

For example,

$$\mathbb{E}_{\psi_{N,t}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^N (O^{(j)} - \langle \varphi_t, O \varphi_t \rangle) \right)^2 = \text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(1)} \tilde{O}^2 + N \text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)} (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O})$$

First term gives $\|\tilde{O}\varphi_t\|^2$, the result we would find for factorized wave function $\varphi_t^{\otimes N}$.

Second term gives contribution from [correlations](#). It can be computed writing

$$N \text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)} (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O}) = N \int \tilde{O}(x_1, x'_1) \tilde{O}(x_2, x'_2) \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)}(x'_1, x'_2; x_1, x_2)$$

and

$$\gamma_{N,t}^{(2)}(x'_1, x'_2; x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{N^2} \left\langle \psi_{N,t}, a_{x_1}^* a_{x_2}^* a_{x'_1} a_{x'_2} \psi_{N,t} \right\rangle$$

As before, we put

$$\xi = d_N W^* (\sqrt{N} \varphi) \frac{a^*(\varphi)^N}{\sqrt{N!}} \Omega$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & N \text{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)} (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O}) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \int \tilde{O}(x_1, x'_1) \tilde{O}(x_2, x'_2) \\ & \quad \times \left\langle \xi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) (a_{x_1}^* + \sqrt{N} \bar{\varphi}_t(x_1)) (a_{x_2}^* + \sqrt{N} \bar{\varphi}_t(x_2)) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times (a_{x'_1} + \sqrt{N} \varphi_t(x'_1)) (a_{x'_2} + \sqrt{N} \varphi_t(x'_2)) \mathcal{U}(t) \Omega \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Counting ξ as order one, only terms with at least 2 factors φ_t survive the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$.

On other hand, all terms with more than 2 φ_t factors vanish, because $\langle \varphi_t, \tilde{O} \varphi_t \rangle = 0$.

We are left with

$$\begin{aligned}
N \operatorname{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)} (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O}) &= \langle \xi, \mathcal{U}^*(t) : \left(a^*(\tilde{O}\varphi_t) + a(\tilde{O}\varphi_t) \right)^2 : \mathcal{U}(t)\Omega \rangle \\
&\simeq \langle \xi, \mathcal{U}_\infty^*(t) A(\tilde{O}\varphi_t, \overline{\tilde{O}\varphi_t})^2 \mathcal{U}_\infty(t)\Omega \rangle - \|\tilde{O}\varphi_t\|^2 \\
&= \langle \xi, A(\Theta_t(\tilde{O}\varphi_t, \overline{\tilde{O}\varphi_t}))^2 \Omega \rangle - \|\tilde{O}\varphi_t\|^2
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\xi \simeq \Omega - \frac{1}{2}a^*(\varphi)^2\Omega + \dots$, we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}
N \operatorname{Tr} \gamma_{N,t}^{(2)} (\tilde{O} \otimes \tilde{O}) &= \langle \Omega, A(\Theta_t(\tilde{O}\varphi_t, \overline{\tilde{O}\varphi_t}))^2 \Omega \rangle \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \langle a^*(\varphi)^2 \Omega, A(\Theta_t(\tilde{O}\varphi_t, \overline{\tilde{O}\varphi_t}))^2 \Omega \rangle - \|\tilde{O}\varphi_t\|^2
\end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbb{E}_{\psi_{N,t}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=1}^N (O^{(j)} - \langle \varphi_t, O\varphi_t \rangle) \right)^2 \\
&\rightarrow \left[\left\langle \Theta_t(O\varphi_t, \overline{O\varphi_t}), \Theta_t(O\varphi_t, \overline{O\varphi_t}) \right\rangle - \left| \left\langle \Theta_t(O\varphi_t, \overline{O\varphi_t}), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\varphi, \bar{\varphi}) \right\rangle \right|^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$