

From a mathematical point of view:

Quantum system $\equiv$ a complex Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$.

A AXIOMS OF QUANTUM MECHANICS

■ **Definition.** *Closed system* = a perfectly isolated system.
Open system = an imperfectly isolated system.

1 A ray in $\mathcal{H}$ is a set of the form $\{\lambda|\psi\rangle \mid 0 \neq \lambda \in \mathbb{C}\}$
described by a representative $|\psi\rangle$ with $\|\psi\| = \sqrt{\langle\psi|\psi\rangle} = 1$.

Normalized vectors $e^{i\vartheta}|\psi\rangle$, with $\vartheta \in \mathbb{R}$, represent the same ray.

■ *Axioms of quantum mechanics* (for closed quantum systems).

- **Axiom 1. Pure state** = ray $|\psi\rangle$ in a Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$
- **Axiom 2. Observable** = a self-adjoint operator $A \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H})$.
- **Axiom 3. Measurement.** The measurement of an observable $A: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ with the spectral decomposition

$$2 \quad A = \sum a_k E_k \quad \left(E_k = \text{the orthogonal projector onto the eigenspace of } a_k \right)$$

prepares an eigenstate of A , and the observer learns the value of the corresponding eigenvalue.

If the quantum state *just prior to the measurement* is $|\psi\rangle$, then the *outcome* a_k is obtained with a *a priori probability*

$$3 \quad \text{prob}(a_k) = \|E_k|\psi\rangle\|^2 = \langle\psi|E_k|\psi\rangle = \text{tr}(E_k|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|).$$

If a_k is attained, then the quantum state *just after the measurement* is $\frac{E_k|\psi\rangle}{\|E_k|\psi\rangle\|}$, that is $|\psi\rangle$ collapses to $\frac{E_k|\psi\rangle}{\|E_k|\psi\rangle\|}$.

If many identically prepared systems are measured, each described by the state $|\psi\rangle$, then the expectation value of the outcomes is

$$4 \quad \langle A \rangle = \sum a_k \langle\psi|E_k|\psi\rangle = \langle\psi|A|\psi\rangle = \text{tr}(A|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|).$$

- **Axiom 4. Dynamics.** The *time evolution* of a closed system is described by unitary operators $U(t', t): \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$,
 $|\psi(t')\rangle = U(t', t)|\psi(t)\rangle$.

The infinitesimal time evolution is described by the

$$5 \quad \text{Schrödinger equation} \quad i \frac{d}{dt}|\psi(t)\rangle = H(t)|\psi(t)\rangle$$

where $H(t)$ is the *Hamiltonian* of the system.

- **Axiom 5. Composite systems.**

$$\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{H}_A = \text{Hilbert space of system A} \\ \mathcal{H}_B = \text{Hilbert space of system B} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Hilbert space of the} \\ \text{composite system is} \\ \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B. \end{array}$$

If the system A is prepared in the state $|\psi\rangle_A$ and B in the state $|\psi\rangle_B$, then the composite system state is the product $|\psi\rangle_A \otimes |\psi\rangle_B$.

6 $\langle\psi_1|\psi_2\rangle$ = amplitude probability that ψ_2 is in state ψ_1 .

7 *Measurement in the orthonormal eigenbasis of A*
If the eigenvalues of A are distinct, then $A = \sum a_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|$,
 $E_k = |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|$ and $\text{prob}(a_k) = |\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle|^2$.

B DENSITY OPERATORS

■ A pure state $|\psi\rangle$ can alternatively be described by using the orthogonal projector corresponding to $|\psi\rangle$

$$1 \quad E_\psi: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}, \text{ satisfying } E_\psi \geq 0, \text{tr } E_\psi = 1, \\ E_\psi = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$$

■ **Definition.**

2 A *density operator* is a linear operator $\varrho: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ satisfying $\varrho \geq 0, \text{tr } \varrho = 1$.

3 *Quantum state of an open system* $\equiv$ a density operator $\varrho: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$.

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) = \begin{array}{c} \text{Set of all the} \\ \text{quantum states} \end{array} \equiv \begin{array}{c} \text{Set of all the} \\ \text{density operators} \end{array}.$$

4 A *mixed state* $\equiv$ a state which is not a pure state.

5 *Purity* of a state ϱ is $\text{tr } \varrho^2$ satisfying $\frac{1}{\dim \mathcal{H}} \leq \text{tr } \varrho^2 \leq 1$.

6 *Fidelity* of two states is $F(\varrho_1, \varrho_2) = \left(\text{tr} \sqrt{\varrho_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \varrho_2 \varrho_1^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)^2$.

■ **Theorem.**

Two probabilistic representations of a density operator ϱ are related through a unitary transform (see B7 at pag. 9)

$$\begin{array}{l} \varrho = \sum p_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| \\ = \sum q_k |\varphi_k\rangle\langle\varphi_k| \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq p_j, q_k \leq 1, \\ \sum p_j = \sum q_k = 1. \end{array}$$

$$\Updownarrow$$

$$\text{There exists a unitary matrix } (u_{jk}) \text{ such that } \sqrt{p_j}|\psi_j\rangle = \sum_k u_{jk} \sqrt{q_k}|\varphi_k\rangle$$

$$8 \quad \varrho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) \Rightarrow 0 \leq \varrho \leq \mathbb{I}.$$

9 *Expectation value of an observable A in a state ϱ is* $\langle A \rangle \equiv \langle A \rangle_\varrho = \text{tr}(A\varrho) = \text{tr}(\varrho A)$.

$$10 \quad \varrho \text{ is a pure state} \Leftrightarrow \varrho^2 = \varrho \Leftrightarrow \text{tr } \varrho^2 = 1 \Leftrightarrow \|\varrho\| = 1.$$

$$11 \quad \varrho \text{ is a mixed state} \Leftrightarrow \varrho^2 \neq \varrho \Leftrightarrow \text{tr } \varrho^2 < 1 \Leftrightarrow \|\varrho\| < 1.$$

$$12 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \varrho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) \\ K \in U(\mathcal{H}) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow K^\dagger \varrho K \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}).$$

$$13 \quad \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) \text{ is a convex set, that is } \left. \begin{array}{l} \varrho_1, \varrho_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) \\ 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}).$$

$$14 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \varrho \text{ is a pure state} \\ \varrho = (1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2, \\ \varrho_1, \varrho_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}), \\ 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \varrho_1 = \varrho_2 = \varrho.$$

C QUBITS (quantum bits)

■ **Definition.**

Qubit = quantum system with a two-dimensional Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$.

■ **Remarks:**

By choosing an orthonormal basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$ in $\mathcal{H}$, $\mathcal{H} = \{\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}\}$ can be identified with

$$1 \quad \mathbb{C}^2 = \left\{ |\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \mid \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C} \right\} \equiv \{ \psi: \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \},$$

$$\langle\psi_1|\psi_2\rangle = \bar{\alpha}_1\beta_1 + \bar{\alpha}_2\beta_2 = \sum_{k=0}^1 \overline{\psi_1(k)} \psi_2(k).$$

$$2 \quad \text{Computational state basis is } |0\rangle \equiv |\uparrow\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle \equiv |\downarrow\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$3 \quad \text{The "bra - ket" correspondence } \langle\psi| \equiv (\bar{\alpha} \quad \bar{\beta}) \Leftrightarrow |\psi\rangle \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}.$$

■ **Theorem.**

- In the complex Hilbert space of linear operators

$$4 \quad \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^2) = \left\{ A: \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \mid \begin{array}{l} A \text{ is linear} \\ \text{operator} \end{array} \right\}, \quad \langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(A^\dagger B),$$

the *Pauli operators* (several notations are presented)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sigma_0 \equiv \mathbb{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, & \sigma_1 \equiv \sigma_x \equiv X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \sigma_2 \equiv \sigma_y \equiv Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & \sigma_3 \equiv \sigma_z \equiv Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

form an orthogonal basis: $\langle\sigma_j, \sigma_k\rangle = 2\delta_{jk}\mathbb{I}$, and $\sigma_j^\dagger = \sigma_j$, $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma_3^2 = \mathbb{I}$, $\sigma_j \sigma_k + \sigma_k \sigma_j = 0$ for $j \neq k$.

$$6 \quad A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^2) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{there exist } r_0, r_1, r_2, r_3 \in \mathbb{C} \text{ such that} \\ A = \frac{1}{2}(r_0 \sigma_0 + r_1 \sigma_1 + r_2 \sigma_2 + r_3 \sigma_3) \\ = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} r_0 + r_3 & r_1 - ir_2 \\ r_1 + ir_2 & r_0 - r_3 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$7 \quad \text{Eigenvalues of } A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^2) \text{ are } \lambda_{1,2} = \frac{r_0 \pm \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 + r_3^2}}{2}.$$

$$8 \quad A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^2) \Rightarrow \text{tr } A = r_0.$$

- In the real Hilbert space of Hermitian operators

[9] $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}^2) = \{A: \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \mid A^\dagger = A\}$, $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(AB)$,
the Pauli operators form also an orthogonal basis.

[10] $A \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}^2) \Rightarrow$ there exist $r_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, $r = (r_1, r_2, r_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$
such that $A = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + r \cdot \sigma)$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} r_0 + r_3 & r_1 - ir_2 \\ r_1 + ir_2 & r_0 - r_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

[11] Eigenvalues of $A \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ are $\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{r_0 \pm \|r\|}{2}$.

[12] $A \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}^2) \Rightarrow$ $A \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \|r\| \leq r_0$.

[13] $\varrho(r) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + r \cdot \sigma)$ is a density operator $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} r_0 = 1 \\ \|r\| \leq 1. \end{cases}$

[14] The set of all the density operators is $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2) = \{\varrho = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + r \cdot \sigma) \mid \|r\| \leq 1\}$.

[15] Eigenvalues of $\varrho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ are $\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{1 \pm \|r\|}{2}$.

[16] Purity of $\varrho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ is $\frac{1 + \|r\|^2}{2} \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$.

[17]
Bloch sphere
 $\Omega_3 = \{r \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \|r\| \leq 1\}$

- $\Omega_3 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2):$
 $r \mapsto \varrho(r) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + r \cdot \sigma)$
is a one-to-one map.
- r corresponds
to a pure state $\Leftrightarrow \|r\| = 1$.

[18]
 $|\psi\rangle$ is a
pure state
 $\Rightarrow$

there exist
 $\theta \in [0, \pi]$
 $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi]$
such that
 $|\psi\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi} |1\rangle$
(a phase factor $e^{i\eta}$ is ignored)
 $\Downarrow$

$$\varrho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\varphi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\varphi} & 1 + \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

corresponds to
 $r = (\sin \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta) \in \partial\Omega_3$.

[19] Orthogonal pure states correspond to diametrically opposite points of $\partial\Omega_3 = \{r \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \|r\| = 1\}$.

[20] Spectral decomposition of Pauli operators

$\sigma_x = |\uparrow_x\rangle\langle\uparrow_x| - |\downarrow_x\rangle\langle\downarrow_x|$, where $\begin{cases} |\uparrow_x\rangle \equiv |+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ |\downarrow_x\rangle \equiv |-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \end{cases}$

$\sigma_y = |\uparrow_y\rangle\langle\uparrow_y| - |\downarrow_y\rangle\langle\downarrow_y|$, where $\begin{cases} |\uparrow_y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + i|1\rangle) \\ |\downarrow_y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - i|1\rangle) \end{cases}$

$\sigma_z = |\uparrow_z\rangle\langle\uparrow_z| - |\downarrow_z\rangle\langle\downarrow_z|$, where $\begin{cases} |\uparrow_z\rangle = |0\rangle \\ |\downarrow_z\rangle = |1\rangle \end{cases}$

[21] $A^2 = \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow$ $e^{i\theta A} = \cos \theta \mathbb{I} + i \sin \theta A$, for any $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

[22] $\sigma_x^2 = \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_x} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & -i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ -i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$.

[23] $\sigma_y^2 = \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_y} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & -\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$.

[24] $\sigma_z^2 = \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_z} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$.

[25] Through $\Omega_3 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2): r \mapsto \varrho(r) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + r \cdot \sigma)$,
the transform $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2): \varrho \mapsto e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_x} \varrho e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_x}$
corresponds to the rotation of Ω_3 around Ox

$$\Omega_3 \rightarrow \Omega_3: \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

[26] The transform $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2): \varrho \mapsto e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_y} \varrho e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_y}$
corresponds to the rotation of Ω_3 around Oy

$$\Omega_3 \rightarrow \Omega_3: \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \theta & 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

[27] The transform $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2): \varrho \mapsto e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_z} \varrho e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}\sigma_z}$
corresponds to the rotation of Ω_3 around Oz

$$\Omega_3 \rightarrow \Omega_3: \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

[28] For any $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)$, there exist $\theta, \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$U = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} & -\sin \frac{\beta}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\beta}{2} & \cos \frac{\beta}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\gamma}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\gamma}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

[29] For any $U \in U(2) \equiv U(\mathbb{C}^2)$, the transform
 $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^2): \varrho \mapsto U \varrho U^\dagger$
corresponds to a rotation of the Bloch sphere Ω_3 .

■ Bit versus Qubit

Bit

[30]

1. Indivisible unit of classical information.
2. It describes the state of a two-state classical system.
3. It takes one of the possible values 0 and 1.
4. There exists only one observable.
5. We can measure a bit without disturbing it.
6. We can obtain the entire information it encodes by a single measurement.

Qubit

[31]

- 1'. indivisible unit of quantum information;
- 2'. It describes the state of a quantum system with a two-dimensional Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$.
- 3'. It takes any of the values

$$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi_0} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi_1} |1\rangle$$

$$= e^{i\varphi_0} \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi} |1\rangle \right)$$
where $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}$,
and $\varphi = \varphi_1 - \varphi_0$. The physically irrelevant phase factor $e^{i\varphi_0}$ can be ignored.
- 4'. There exist more than one observable.
- 5'. After a measurement, the state before the measurement $|\psi\rangle$ collapses to a known state which, in general, is different from $|\psi\rangle$.
- 6'. If the state $|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ of a qubit is unknown, then there is no way to determine a and b with a single measurement.

[32] If we measure a qubit in the state $|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ in the eigenbasis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$ of σ_z , then $|\psi\rangle$ collapses to $|0\rangle$ with the probability $|a|^2 = \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$, and to $|1\rangle$ with the probability $|b|^2 = \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$.

[33] The state before the measurement $|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ is a *coherent superposition* of $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$.
It is not a *probabilistic mixture* of $|0\rangle$ with the probability $|a|^2$ and $|1\rangle$ with the probability $|b|^2$ because, the state $|\psi\rangle$ depends not only on $|a|$ and $|b|$, but also on the relative phase φ of a and b .

[34] The result of certain measurements depends on the phase factor $e^{i\varphi}$ (there exists quantum interference).
If we measure $|\psi\rangle$ in the eigenbasis $\{|+\rangle, |-\rangle\}$ of σ_x , then the state before the measurement $|\psi\rangle$ collapses to $|+\rangle$ with probability $|a+b|^2/2 = |\cos \frac{\theta}{2} + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi}|^2/2$ and $|-\rangle$ with probability $|a-b|^2/2 = |\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\varphi}|^2/2$.

D COMPOSITE QUANTUM SYSTEMS

■ Definitions and notations:

$\mathcal{H}_1 \equiv \mathcal{H}_A$ = Hilbert space of the main quantum system.
 $\mathcal{H}_2 \equiv \mathcal{H}_B$ = Hilbert space of a reference quantum system.
 $\{|j\rangle_1\} \equiv \{|j\rangle_A\}$ – orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}_1 \equiv \mathcal{H}_A$
 $\{|k\rangle_2\} \equiv \{|k\rangle_B\}$ – orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}_2 \equiv \mathcal{H}_B$

$$1 \quad |\varphi\psi\rangle \equiv |\varphi\rangle_1 \otimes |\psi\rangle_2 \equiv |\varphi\rangle_A \otimes |\psi\rangle_B$$

$$2 \quad \langle \varphi_1 \psi_1 | \varphi_2 \psi_2 \rangle = \langle \varphi_1 | \varphi_2 \rangle \langle \psi_1 | \psi_2 \rangle$$

$$\langle ik | j\ell \rangle = \delta_{ij} \delta_{k\ell}$$

Pure state of the composite system
 $|\Phi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$

$$|\Phi\rangle = \sum_{i,k} \Phi^{ik} |ik\rangle \quad \langle \Phi | \Phi \rangle = \sum_{i,k} |\Phi^{ik}|^2 = 1.$$

Quantum state of the composite system
 $\varrho: \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$

$$\varrho = \sum_{i,j,k,\ell} \varrho_{j\ell}^{ik} |ik\rangle \langle j\ell| \quad \varrho \geq 0, \quad \text{tr } \varrho = 1.$$

$$3 \quad \begin{aligned} {}_1\langle a|: \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2, & \quad {}_1\langle a| \varphi\psi \rangle = \langle a| \varphi \rangle |\psi\rangle \\ {}_2\langle b|: \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 & \quad {}_2\langle b| \varphi\psi \rangle = \langle b| \psi \rangle |\varphi\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$4 \quad \begin{aligned} \langle ab|: \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2^*, & \quad \langle ab| \varphi\rangle_1 = \langle a| \varphi \rangle \langle b| \\ \langle ab|: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1^*, & \quad \langle ab| \psi\rangle_2 = \langle b| \psi \rangle \langle a| \end{aligned}$$

For $\mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \xrightarrow{T} \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$ we define the operators:

$$5 \quad \begin{aligned} {}_1\langle a|T: \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2: & \quad |\varphi\psi\rangle \mapsto {}_1\langle a|T|\varphi\psi\rangle \\ {}_2\langle a|T: \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1: & \quad |\varphi\psi\rangle \mapsto {}_2\langle a|T|\varphi\psi\rangle \\ T|b\rangle_1: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2: & \quad |\psi\rangle \mapsto T|b\rangle\psi \\ T|b\rangle_2: \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2: & \quad |\varphi\rangle \mapsto T|\varphi b\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$6 \quad \left. \begin{aligned} A: \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \\ B: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} A \otimes B: \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \\ (A \otimes B)(\varphi \otimes \psi) = (A\varphi) \otimes (B\psi) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ defines a linear operator.}$$

For $\mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \xrightarrow{T} \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$

$$7 \quad \begin{aligned} \text{tr}_1 T: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2, \\ \text{tr}_2 T: \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr } T &= \sum_{j,k} \langle jk | T | jk \rangle \\ \text{tr}_1 T &= \sum_j {}_1\langle j | T | j \rangle_1, \\ \text{tr}_2 T &= \sum_k {}_2\langle k | T | k \rangle_2, \\ \text{tr } T &= \text{tr}_1 \text{tr}_2 T = \text{tr}_2 \text{tr}_1 T \end{aligned}$$

■ Fundamental formulas:

$$8 \quad \text{tr}(|\varphi\rangle \langle \psi|) = \langle \psi | \varphi \rangle$$

$$9 \quad \begin{aligned} {}_1\langle i | j \ell \rangle &= \delta_{ij} \langle \ell \rangle_2 & \langle ik | j \rangle_1 &= \delta_{ij} {}_2\langle k | \\ {}_2\langle k | j \ell \rangle &= \delta_{k\ell} \langle j \rangle_1 & \langle ik | \ell \rangle_2 &= \delta_{k\ell} {}_1\langle i | \end{aligned}$$

$$10 \quad \sum_j {}_2\langle j | \varphi\psi \rangle \otimes |j\rangle_2 = |\varphi\psi\rangle$$

$$11 \quad \begin{aligned} {}_1\langle \varphi_1 | A \otimes B | \varphi_2 \rangle_1 &= \langle \varphi_1 | A | \varphi_2 \rangle B, \\ {}_2\langle \psi_1 | A \otimes B | \psi_2 \rangle_2 &= \langle \psi_1 | B | \psi_2 \rangle A. \end{aligned}$$

$$12 \quad \left. \begin{aligned} A: \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \\ B: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \text{tr}_1(A \otimes B) &= (\text{tr } A) B, \\ \text{tr}_2(A \otimes B) &= (\text{tr } B) A. \end{aligned}$$

$$13 \quad |\varphi_1 \psi_1\rangle \langle \varphi_2 \psi_2| = |\varphi_1\rangle \langle \varphi_2| \otimes |\psi_1\rangle \langle \psi_2|.$$

$$14 \quad \begin{aligned} \text{tr}_1(|\varphi_1 \psi_1\rangle \langle \varphi_2 \psi_2|) &= \langle \varphi_2 | \varphi_1 \rangle |\psi_1\rangle \langle \psi_2|, \\ \text{tr}_2(|\varphi_1 \psi_1\rangle \langle \varphi_2 \psi_2|) &= \langle \psi_2 | \psi_1 \rangle |\varphi_1\rangle \langle \varphi_2|. \end{aligned}$$

$$15 \quad \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \xrightarrow{T} \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{j\ell}^{ik} &= \langle ik | T | j\ell \rangle \\ (\text{tr}_1 T)_\ell^k &= {}_2\langle k | \text{tr}_1 T | \ell \rangle_2 = \sum_j T_{j\ell}^{jk} \\ (\text{tr}_2 T)_j^i &= {}_1\langle i | \text{tr}_2 T | j \rangle_1 = \sum_k T_{jk}^{ik} \end{aligned}$$

$$16 \quad \varrho = \sum_{i,j,k,\ell} \varrho_{j\ell}^{ik} |ik\rangle \langle j\ell| \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \text{tr}_1 \varrho &= \sum_{j,k,\ell} \varrho_{j\ell}^{jk} |k\rangle \langle \ell| \\ \text{tr}_2 \varrho &= \sum_{i,j,k} \varrho_{jk}^{ik} |i\rangle \langle j| \end{aligned}$$

$$17 \quad \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \xrightarrow{T} \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \Rightarrow \sum_{k,\ell} {}_2\langle k | T | \ell \rangle_2 |k\rangle_2 \langle \ell| = T.$$

$$18 \quad \mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{A} \mathcal{H} \mapsto \text{tr}(|\varphi\rangle \langle \psi| A) = \langle \psi | A | \varphi \rangle$$

$$19 \quad \text{tr}_2((\mathbb{I} \otimes (|b\rangle \langle b|))T) = {}_2\langle b | T | b \rangle_2$$

$$\text{tr}_2(T(\mathbb{I} \otimes (|b\rangle \langle b|))) = {}_2\langle b | T | b \rangle_2$$

$$20 \quad \text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) = \text{tr}(A \text{tr}_2((\mathbb{I} \otimes B)T))$$

$$21 \quad \text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) = \text{tr}(B \text{tr}_1((A \otimes \mathbb{I})T))$$

$$22 \quad \text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) = \text{tr}((A \otimes \mathbb{I})(\mathbb{I} \otimes B)T)$$

$$23 \quad \text{tr}((A \otimes \mathbb{I})\varrho) = \text{tr}(A \text{tr}_2 \varrho)$$

$$24 \quad \text{tr}((\mathbb{I} \otimes B)\varrho) = \text{tr}(B \text{tr}_1 \varrho)$$

$$25 \quad \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2 \xrightarrow{\varrho} \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$$

density operator $\Rightarrow$ $\begin{aligned} \text{tr}_1 \varrho: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2, \\ \text{tr}_2 \varrho: \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \end{aligned}$
density operators

26 For $\varrho: \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$,

$$\varrho = \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00}^{00} & \varrho_{01}^{00} & \varrho_{10}^{00} & \varrho_{11}^{00} \\ \varrho_{00}^{01} & \varrho_{01}^{01} & \varrho_{10}^{01} & \varrho_{11}^{01} \\ \varrho_{00}^{10} & \varrho_{01}^{10} & \varrho_{10}^{10} & \varrho_{11}^{10} \\ \varrho_{00}^{11} & \varrho_{01}^{11} & \varrho_{10}^{11} & \varrho_{11}^{11} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \text{tr}_1 \varrho &= \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00}^{00} & \varrho_{01}^{00} \\ \varrho_{10}^{00} & \varrho_{11}^{00} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{10}^{10} & \varrho_{11}^{10} \\ \varrho_{10}^{11} & \varrho_{11}^{11} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \text{tr}_2 \varrho &= \begin{pmatrix} \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00}^{00} & \varrho_{01}^{00} \\ \varrho_{10}^{00} & \varrho_{11}^{00} \end{pmatrix} & \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{10}^{00} & \varrho_{11}^{00} \\ \varrho_{10}^{10} & \varrho_{11}^{10} \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00}^{10} & \varrho_{01}^{10} \\ \varrho_{10}^{10} & \varrho_{11}^{10} \end{pmatrix} & \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{10}^{10} & \varrho_{11}^{10} \\ \varrho_{10}^{11} & \varrho_{11}^{11} \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

■ Schmidt form:

$$27 \quad \text{Given } |\Phi\rangle = \sum_{k,j} \Phi^{kj} |\varphi_k\rangle \otimes |j\rangle_2,$$

with $\{\varphi_k\}$ chosen such that

$$\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi| = \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_k |\varphi_k\rangle \langle \varphi_k|$$

$$28 \quad \sum_j \Phi^{kj} \overline{\Phi^{\ell j}} \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} p_k \delta_{k\ell}.$$

$$29 \quad \text{By choosing } |\psi_k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_k}} \sum_j \Phi^{kj} |j\rangle_2$$

$$30 \quad \text{we get } |\Phi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \sqrt{p_k} |\varphi_k\rangle \otimes |\psi_k\rangle$$

■ Purification:

mixed state = tr_2 (pure state)

$$31 \quad \text{Given } \varrho: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n, \quad \varrho = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} p_k |\varphi_k\rangle \langle \varphi_k|,$$

$\{|\varphi_k\rangle\}$ orthonormal basis in $\mathbb{C}^n$

$$32 \quad \text{by choosing } \{|\psi_k\rangle\} \text{ orthonormal basis in } \mathbb{C}^n,$$

$$|\Phi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sqrt{p_k} |\varphi_k\rangle \otimes |\psi_k\rangle$$

$$33 \quad \text{we get } \varrho = \text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi|$$

F ORTHOGONAL MEASUREMENTS

■ Description of a measurement

- To perform a measurement $\{P_j\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$ of $\mathcal{A}$,

$$\boxed{1} \quad P_j P_k = \delta_{jk} P_j, \quad P_j = P_j^\dagger, \quad \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P_j = \mathbb{I}$$

we use a n -dimensional *pointer* $\mathcal{B}$ with fiducial orthonormal basis states $\{|j\rangle\}_{j=0}^{n-1}$.

- The *unitary operator* $U: \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,

$$\boxed{2} \quad U = \sum_{j,k} P_j \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k|$$

transforms an initial state $|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$ into

$$\boxed{3} \quad |\Psi'\rangle = U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \sum_j P_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle,$$

that is, it correlates the states of $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{B}$.

- If we perform the measurement $\{\mathbb{I} \otimes |j\rangle\langle j|\}$, the outcome j occurs with probability

$$\boxed{4} \quad p_j = \langle \Psi' | (\mathbb{I} \otimes |j\rangle\langle j|) | \Psi' \rangle = \langle \psi | P_j | \psi \rangle,$$

and the post-measurement state of $\mathcal{A} \& \mathcal{B}$ is

$$\boxed{5} \quad \frac{(\mathbb{I} \otimes |j\rangle\langle j|) | \Psi' \rangle}{\sqrt{p_j}} = \frac{P_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle}{\|P_j |\psi\rangle\|} = \frac{P_j |\psi\rangle}{\|P_j |\psi\rangle\|} \otimes |j\rangle.$$

The post-measurement state of $\mathcal{A}$ is

$$\boxed{6} \quad \frac{P_j |\psi\rangle}{\|P_j |\psi\rangle\|}.$$

- Once the system becomes entangled, the state of $\mathcal{A}$ is described by the operator

$$\boxed{7} \quad \sum_j p_j \frac{P_j |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| P_j}{\langle\psi| P_j |\psi\rangle} = \sum_j P_j |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| P_j.$$

- If the initial state of our system is a mixed state ϱ , the measurement modifies it as

$$\boxed{8} \quad \varrho \mapsto \sum_j P_j \varrho P_j.$$

■ Example. Qubit $\mathcal{A}$ (system) & qubit $\mathcal{B}$ (pointer)

System state: $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$,

Orthogonal proj.: $\{P_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0|, P_1 = |1\rangle\langle 1|\}$,

Pointer basis: $\{|j\rangle\}_{j=0}^1 = \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

Entangled correlated state:

$$\boxed{9} \quad |\Psi'\rangle = U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \alpha|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle.$$

If we measure $\mathcal{B}$ in basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$, that is, the measurement $\{\mathbb{I} \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0|, \mathbb{I} \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1|\}$ of $\mathcal{A} \& \mathcal{B}$:

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$$\boxed{10} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & |\alpha|^2 & |0\rangle \\ 1 & |\beta|^2 & |1\rangle. \end{array}$$

■ Remarks. Since $P_j^\dagger = P_j = P_j^2$,

$$\boxed{11} \quad \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P_j = \mathbb{I} \quad \text{can be written as} \quad \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P_j^\dagger P_j = \mathbb{I},$$

$$\boxed{12} \quad p_j = \langle \psi | P_j | \psi \rangle \quad \text{can be written as} \quad p_j = \text{tr}(P_j |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| P_j^\dagger).$$

If the state *just prior to the measurement* is ϱ , then

$$\boxed{13} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{the outcome } j \text{ is obtained} \\ \text{with a priori probability} \end{array} \quad p_j = \text{tr}(P_j \varrho P_j^\dagger).$$

If the *outcome* j is attained, then

$$\boxed{14} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{the state just after the} \\ \text{measurement is} \end{array} \quad \frac{P_j \varrho P_j^\dagger}{p_j}.$$

E ENTANGLEMENT

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G GENERALIZED MEASUREMENTS

Definition.

[1] A *generalized measurement* is a system of measurement operators $M_k: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ with $\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k^\dagger M_k = \mathbb{I}$.

[2] In a state ϱ

- k occurs with the probability $p_k = \text{tr}(M_k \varrho M_k^\dagger)$
- if k occurs, post-measurement state is $\varrho_k = \frac{M_k \varrho M_k^\dagger}{p_k}$.

Theorem.

[3] In the case of a pure state $|\psi\rangle$

- k occurs with the probability $p_k = \|M_k |\psi\rangle\|^2$
- if k occurs, post-measurement state is $\frac{M_k |\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{p_k}}$.

[4] Post-measurement states need not be orthogonal.

[5] A generalized measurement is repeatable $\Leftrightarrow$ it is orthogonal.

Theorem (Naimark)

- $\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k^\dagger M_k = \mathbb{I}$,
- $p_k = \text{tr}(M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger)$,
- $\varrho_A \mapsto \varrho_{Ak} = \frac{M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger}{p_k}$

$\Downarrow$

There exist:

- $\mathcal{H}_B$ of dimension m (called apparatus, pointer or ancilla),
- an initial state $\varrho_B = |\omega\rangle\langle\omega|$ of $\mathcal{H}_B$
- an entangling unitary transform

$$\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \xrightarrow{U} \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$$

which correlates the states of the system and of the apparatus,

- an orthogonal measurement in $\mathcal{H}_B$

$$\{P_k = |k\rangle\langle k|\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$$

corresponding to the orthogonal measurement $\{\mathbb{I} \otimes P_k\}$ in $\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

such that:

- $M_k |\psi\rangle = {}_B\langle k| U |\psi\rangle \otimes \varrho_B$
- $p_k = \text{tr}(U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger \mathbb{I} \otimes P_k)$
 $= \text{tr}_A({}_B\langle k| U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B)$
- $\varrho_A \mapsto \varrho_{Ak} = \frac{\text{tr}_B(U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger \mathbb{I} \otimes P_k)}{p_k}$
 $= \frac{{}_B\langle k| U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B}{p_k}$.

Remark.

We obtain an information about a system by coupling it to an ancilla, let them evolve together and then perform the measurement of an observable on the ancilla.

Description of a measurement

- To perform a measurement $\{M_k\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$ of $\mathcal{A}$, we use a m -dimensional *pointer* $\mathcal{B}$ with fiducial orthonormal basis states $\{|k\rangle\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$.
- The *unitary operator* $U: \mathcal{H}_A \otimes |0\rangle \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,

$$[8] \quad U = \sum_{j,k} M_k \otimes |j+k\rangle\langle j|$$

transforms an initial state $|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$ into

$$[9] \quad |\Psi\rangle = U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \sum_k M_k |\psi\rangle \otimes |k\rangle,$$

that is, it correlates the states of $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{B}$.

- If we perform the measurement $\{\mathbb{I} \otimes |j\rangle\langle j|\}$, the outcome k occurs with probability

$$[10] \quad p_k = \langle \Psi | (\mathbb{I} \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|) | \Psi \rangle = \langle \psi | M_k | \psi \rangle,$$

and the post-measurement state of $\mathcal{A} \& \mathcal{B}$ is

$$[11] \quad \frac{(\mathbb{I} \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|) |\Psi\rangle}{\sqrt{p_k}} = \frac{M_k |\psi\rangle \otimes |k\rangle}{\|M_k |\psi\rangle\|} = \frac{M_k |\psi\rangle}{\|M_k |\psi\rangle\|} \otimes |k\rangle.$$

The post-measurement state of $\mathcal{A}$ is

$$[12] \quad \frac{M_k |\psi\rangle}{\|M_k |\psi\rangle\|}.$$

Example. Qubit $\mathcal{A}$ (system) & qubit $\mathcal{B}$ (pointer)

System state: $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$,

Orthogonal proj.: $\{E_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0|, E_1 = |1\rangle\langle 1|\}$,

Pointer bases: $\begin{matrix} |0\rangle & |0'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ |1\rangle & |1'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \end{matrix}$

Entangled correlated state:

$$U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = E_0 |\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + E_1 |\psi\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ = M_0 |\psi\rangle \otimes |0'\rangle + M_1 |\psi\rangle \otimes |1'\rangle,$$

[13] where

$$[14] \quad M_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If we measure the pointer in $\{|0'\rangle, |1'\rangle\}$, we get:

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$$[15] \quad \begin{array}{ll} 0' & p_0 = \langle \psi | M_0^\dagger M_0 | \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{M_0 |\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{p_0}} = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \\ 1' & p_1 = \langle \psi | M_1^\dagger M_1 | \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{M_1 |\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{p_1}} = \alpha|0\rangle - \beta|1\rangle. \end{array}$$

Remarks:

- $|\alpha| \neq |\beta| \Rightarrow$ post-measurement states are not orthogonal.
- The orthogonal measurement $\{\mathbb{I} \otimes |0'\rangle\langle 0'|, \mathbb{I} \otimes |1'\rangle\langle 1'|\}$ of $\mathcal{A} \& \mathcal{B}$ realizes a non-orthogonal measurement of $\mathcal{A}$.

H POSITIVE OPERATOR-VALUED MEASURES (POVM)

Definition.

[1] A *POVM* is a system of operators $\Pi_k: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ such that $\Pi_k \geq 0$, $\sum_k \Pi_k = \mathbb{I}$.

[2] A probability

$$p_k = \text{tr}(\varrho \Pi_k)$$

is attributed to each measurement outcome k .

Theorem.

[3] $\{M_k\} = \text{generalized measurement} \Rightarrow \{\Pi_k = M_k^\dagger M_k\} = \text{POVM}$.

[4] $\{\Pi_k\} = \text{POVM} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{For any } \{U_k\} = \text{unitary operators} \\ \{M_k = U_k \sqrt{\Pi_k}\} = \text{generalized measurement.} \end{cases}$

Remark.

[5] The post-measurement state $U_k \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Pi_k} |\psi\rangle}{\|\sqrt{\Pi_k} |\psi\rangle\|} \right)$ depends on the unitary operators $\{U_k\}$ we choose.

I QUANTUM CHANNELS/OPERATIONS

- **Definition.** A map $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'}) : \varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$
- is linear if $\mathcal{E}(\alpha\varrho_1 + \beta\varrho_2) = \alpha\mathcal{E}(\varrho_1) + \beta\mathcal{E}(\varrho_2)$;
 - preserves Hermiticity if $\varrho^\dagger = \varrho \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\varrho)^\dagger = \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$;
 - preserves trace if $\text{tr } \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \text{tr } \varrho$;
 - is positive ($\mathcal{E} \geq 0$) if $\varrho \geq 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\varrho) \geq 0$;
 - is a completely positive map if $\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})} \geq 0$, for any $\mathcal{H}$.

- **Definition.** A quantum channel is a linear map $\mathcal{E} : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'})$ such that
- $\text{tr } \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \text{tr } \varrho$
 - $\mathcal{E} \geq 0$
 - $\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})} \geq 0, \forall \mathcal{H}$

- A quantum operation is a linear map $\mathcal{E} : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'})$ such that
- $0 \leq \text{tr } \mathcal{E}(\varrho) \leq \text{tr } \varrho$
 - $\mathcal{E} \geq 0$
 - $\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})} \geq 0, \forall \mathcal{H}$

■ **Lemma.**

- Any map $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ admitting an operator sum representation is a channel
- 2
- There exist $K_j : \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'}$ linear operators such that
- $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger$
 - $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j^\dagger K_j = \mathbb{I}$
- $\downarrow$
- $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'})$ is a channel $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$

■ **Theorem (Channel-state / Choi-Jamilkowski duality).**

- Up to normalization, there exists a one-to-one correspondence:
- 3
- channel $\updownarrow$ state of a larger system $\mathcal{H}_{A'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$
- $(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|)$ $\updownarrow$ $\left\{ |k\rangle_A \right\}_{k=0}^{n-1}$ basis in $\mathcal{H}_A$
- $= \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} p_j |\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|$ $\updownarrow$ $\left\{ |k\rangle_B \right\}_{k=0}^{n-1}$ basis in $\mathcal{H}_B$
- density operator $|\Phi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |k\rangle_A \otimes |k\rangle_B$

■ **Theorem (Kraus).**

- A map $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ is a channel if and only if it admits an operator sum-representation
- 4
- $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'})$ is a channel $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$
- $\updownarrow$
- There exist $K_j : \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'}$ such that $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger$, $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j^\dagger K_j = \mathbb{I}$

■ **Theorem (Stinespring dilatation).**

- A map $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ is a channel if and only if it is a partial trace of a unitary evolution in a larger Hilbert space with factorized initial condition
- 5
- $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'})$ is a channel $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger$ $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j^\dagger K_j = \mathbb{I}$
- $\updownarrow$
- There exist:
- $\mathcal{H}_B$ of dimension m
 - $\{|j\rangle_B\}_{j=0}^{m-1}$ basis in $\mathcal{H}_B$
 - a unitary operator $U : \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$ acting as $U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \sum_j K_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle$
- such that:
- $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \text{tr}_B(U(\varrho \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0|)U^\dagger)$
 - $K_j |\psi\rangle = {}_B\langle j| U |\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$

■ **Remark.**

- $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ is a channel
- $$\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger$$
- $$\sum_j K_j^\dagger K_j = \mathbb{I}$$
- $\downarrow$
- Any channel $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ is the partial trace of a unitary operator
- 6
- There exist:
- $\mathcal{H}_B$ of dimension m
 - $\{|j\rangle_B\}_{j=0}^{m-1}$ basis in $\mathcal{H}_B$
 - the unitary operator $U : \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$, $U|\psi\rangle = \sum_j K_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle$
- such that:
- $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \text{tr}_B(U \varrho U^\dagger)$
 - $K_j = {}_B\langle j| U$

■ **Theorem.**

- 7 If $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$ is a quantum channel, then $\mathcal{E}(\text{density operator}) = \text{density operator}$.
- 8 Sum-representation of a channel is not unique.
- 9 Quantum channels form a semigroup
- 10 $\mathcal{E} = \text{reversible channel} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{E} = \text{unitary transform}$
- 11 Heisenberg picture $\varrho(t) = U(t) \varrho U(t)^\dagger$ $A(t) = U(t)^\dagger A U(t) \Rightarrow \text{tr}(A \varrho(t)) = \text{tr}(A(t) \varrho)$.
- 12 Dual $\mathcal{E}^*$ of a channel $\mathcal{E}$ $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger \Rightarrow \text{tr}(A \mathcal{E}(\varrho)) = \text{tr}(\mathcal{E}^*(A) \varrho)$. $\mathcal{E}^*(A) = \sum K_j^\dagger A K_j$

■ **Example. Non-selective measurement**

- (measurement is performed, but its outcome is not known).
- System state: $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$,
- Orthogonal proj.: $\{E_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0|, E_1 = |1\rangle\langle 1|\}$,
- Pointer bases: $|0\rangle$ and $|1'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$ $|1\rangle$ and $|1'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$
- The unitary entangling transform

- 13 $U = \sum_{j,k} E_a \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k|$, transforms the product state $|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$ as $U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = E_0 |\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + E_1 |\psi\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$ $= \alpha|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$ $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) \otimes |0'\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\alpha|0\rangle - \beta|1\rangle) \otimes |1'\rangle$ $= M_0 |\psi\rangle \otimes |0'\rangle + M_1 |\psi\rangle \otimes |1'\rangle$,

- where $M_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $M_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

- For A, considered alone, U defines the channel $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \mapsto \mathcal{E}(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|)$

- 16 $= \text{tr}_B(U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle)(\langle\psi| \otimes \langle 0|)U^\dagger)$ $= M_0 |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| M_0^\dagger + M_1 |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| M_1^\dagger$,

that is

- 17 $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \mapsto \mathcal{E}(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) = \sum_j M_j |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| M_j^\dagger$.

For a mixed state ϱ of A

- 18 $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_j M_j \varrho M_j^\dagger$.

■ **Example. Depolarizing channel** ($\mathcal{H}_A = \mathbb{C}^2$)

- *Description.* $|\psi\rangle$ with probability $1-p$

$$\boxed{27} \quad \mathcal{E}_{A \rightarrow A} : |\psi\rangle \mapsto \begin{cases} \sigma_1 |\psi\rangle & \text{with probability } p/3 \\ \sigma_2 |\psi\rangle & \text{with probability } p/3 \\ \sigma_3 |\psi\rangle & \text{with probability } p/3 \end{cases}$$

$$\boxed{28} \quad \text{where } \sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- *Unitary representation* $U_{A \rightarrow AE} : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^4$
By using a 4-dimensional environment E , we define the scalar product preserving map

$$\boxed{29} \quad |\psi\rangle_A \mapsto \sqrt{1-p} |\psi\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E + \sqrt{\frac{p}{3}} \sigma_1 |\psi\rangle_A \otimes |1\rangle_E + \sqrt{\frac{p}{3}} \sigma_2 |\psi\rangle_A \otimes |2\rangle_E + \sqrt{\frac{p}{3}} \sigma_3 |\psi\rangle_A \otimes |4\rangle_E.$$

- *Operator-sum representation.*

The Kraus operators are: $M_a = {}_E \langle a | U.$

$$\boxed{30} \quad \varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{a=0}^3 M_a \varrho M_a^\dagger \quad \begin{cases} M_0 = \sqrt{1-p} \mathbb{I} \\ M_1 = \sqrt{p/3} \sigma_1 \\ M_2 = \sqrt{p/3} \sigma_2 \\ M_3 = \sqrt{p/3} \sigma_3 \end{cases}$$

- *Relative-state representation.*

By introducing a reference qubit R and the orthogonal maximally entangled states

$$\boxed{31} \quad \begin{aligned} |\phi^+\rangle_{RA} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle), \\ |\phi^-\rangle_{RA} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle), \\ |\psi^+\rangle_{RA} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle), \\ |\psi^-\rangle_{RA} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle), \end{aligned}$$

when the channel acts only on A , we get

$$\boxed{32} \quad |\phi^+\rangle \langle \phi^+| \mapsto (1-p) |\phi^+\rangle \langle \phi^+| + \frac{p}{3} |\psi^+\rangle \langle \psi^+| + \frac{p}{3} |\psi^-\rangle \langle \psi^-| + \frac{p}{3} |\phi^-\rangle \langle \phi^-|.$$

- *Bloch-sphere representation.*

$$\boxed{33} \quad \varrho = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + \vec{P} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbb{I} + (1 - \frac{4}{3}p) \vec{P} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \right)$$

■ **Example. Dephasing channel**

- *Unitary representation* $U_{A \rightarrow AE} : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$.

By using a 3-dimensional environment, we define the scalar product preserving map

$$\boxed{34} \quad \begin{aligned} |0\rangle_A &\mapsto \sqrt{1-p} |0\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E + \sqrt{p} |0\rangle_A \otimes |1\rangle_E \\ |1\rangle_A &\mapsto \sqrt{1-p} |1\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E + \sqrt{p} |1\rangle_A \otimes |2\rangle_E \end{aligned}$$

- *Operator-sum representation.*

The Kraus operators are: $M_a = {}_E \langle a | U.$

$$\boxed{35} \quad \varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{a=0}^2 M_a \varrho M_a^\dagger \quad \begin{cases} M_0 = \sqrt{1-p} \mathbb{I} \\ M_1 = \sqrt{p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ M_2 = \sqrt{p} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

Possible representation with two operators:

$$\boxed{36} \quad \varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{a=0}^1 M_a \varrho M_a^\dagger \quad \begin{cases} M_0 = \sqrt{1-\frac{p}{2}} \mathbb{I} \\ M_1 = \sqrt{\frac{p}{2}} \sigma_3 \end{cases}$$

- *Density operator evolution*

$$\boxed{37} \quad \varrho = \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00} & \varrho_{01} \\ \varrho_{10} & \varrho_{11} \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00} & (1-p)\varrho_{01} \\ (1-p)\varrho_{10} & \varrho_{11} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- *Bloch-sphere representation.*

$$\boxed{38} \quad \varrho = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + \vec{P} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + (1-p)P_1\sigma_1 + (1-p)P_2\sigma_2 + P_3\sigma_3).$$

■ **Example. Amplitude-damping channel**

- *Unitary representation* $U_{A \rightarrow AE} : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$.

By using a 2-dimensional environment, we define the scalar product preserving map

$$\boxed{39} \quad \begin{aligned} |0\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E &\mapsto |0\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E \\ |1\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E &\mapsto \sqrt{1-p} |1\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E + \sqrt{p} |0\rangle_A \otimes |1\rangle_E \end{aligned}$$

- *Operator-sum representation.*

The Kraus operators are: $M_a = {}_E \langle a | U.$

$$\boxed{40} \quad \varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_{a=0}^1 M_a \varrho M_a^\dagger \quad \begin{cases} M_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1-p} \end{pmatrix} \\ M_1 = \sqrt{p} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

- *Density operator evolution* $\varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho)$:

$$\boxed{41} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00} & \varrho_{01} \\ \varrho_{10} & \varrho_{11} \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \varrho_{00} + p\varrho_{11} & \sqrt{1-p}\varrho_{01} \\ \sqrt{1-p}\varrho_{10} & (1-p)\varrho_{11} \end{pmatrix}.$$

J **AXIOMS OF QUANTUM MECHANICS** (for open systems)

- 1 *Open system* = an imperfectly isolated quantum system which changes energy and information with its unobserved environment.

■ *Axioms of quantum mechanics* (case of open systems).

- *Axiom 1'.*

$$\boxed{2} \quad \textbf{State} = \text{a density operator } \varrho \text{ with } \begin{cases} \varrho \geq 0, \\ \text{tr } \varrho = 1. \end{cases}$$

- *Axiom 2'.*

$$\boxed{3} \quad \textbf{Measurement} = \text{a POVM } \{E_a\} \text{ with } \begin{cases} E_a \geq 0, \\ \sum_a E_a = \mathbb{I}. \end{cases}$$

When the measurement $\{E_a\}$ is performed on the state ϱ , the outcome a occurs with probability

$$\boxed{4} \quad \text{prob}(a) = \text{tr}(\varrho E_a).$$

- *Axiom 3'. Dynamics.* Time evolution is described by a trace-preserving completely positive map (TPCP)

$$\boxed{5} \quad \varrho \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\varrho) \text{ with } \begin{cases} \text{tr } \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \text{tr } \varrho, \\ \varrho \otimes \mathbb{I}_n \geq 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\varrho) \otimes \mathbb{I}_n \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

■ **Remarks:**

- closed system = limit case of open system.
- an open system $\mathcal{A}$ can be regarded as a part $\mathcal{A}$ of a composite system $\mathcal{A} \& \mathcal{B}$ when we observe subsystem $\mathcal{A}$ alone.
- every density operator has a purification in an extended system.
- every POVM can be realized by an orthogonal measurement in an extended system.
- every trace preserving completely positive map has an isometric Stinespring dilatation.

ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS/RESULTS

#1 Exercise.

For a $\mathbb{K}$ -vector space $\mathcal{V}$, $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{V})$ and $f: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$:

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} Av = f(v)v, \\ \text{for any } v \end{array}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{l} f \text{ is a constant function,} \\ f(v) = \lambda, \text{ that is } A = \lambda \mathbb{I} \end{array}}$$

#2 Theorem (Singular value decomposition).

$$A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times m}(\mathbb{C}) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{there exist } U \in U(n), \\ \text{ } V \in U(m), \text{ such that } \\ \text{ } D \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times m}(\mathbb{C}) \text{ diagonal} \end{array} \boxed{A = UDV}$$

#3 Theorem (Polar decomposition).

$$A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{there exist } U \in U(n), \\ \text{ } P \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \text{ such that } \\ \text{with } P \geq 0 \end{array} \boxed{A = UP}$$

$$A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{there exist } U \in U(n), \\ \text{ } P \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C}) \text{ such that } \\ \text{with } P \geq 0 \end{array} \boxed{A = PU}$$

#4 Definition.

A linear operator $A: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is a *bounded operator* if there exists a constant $C \in (0, \infty)$ such that $\|Ax\| \leq C\|x\|$, $\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$.

#5 Theorem.

$$\mathcal{H} \text{ is finite-dimensional} \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{Any linear operator} \\ A: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \\ \text{is a bounded operator.} \end{array}}$$

#6 Definition.

A *tight frame* in a Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$ is a set of vectors $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_\ell\}$ such that $\sum_{j=1}^{\ell} |u_j\rangle\langle u_j| = \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}}$

#7 Remark.

Any orthonormal basis is a tight frame.

#8 Exercise

$$\boxed{(e^A)^\dagger = e^{A^\dagger}}.$$

#9 Exercise.

$$\boxed{A \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{H}) \Rightarrow e^{iA} \in U(\mathcal{H})}.$$

#10 Theorem Discrete (finite) Fourier transform.

$$\begin{array}{l} F: \mathbb{C}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^n \\ \varphi \mapsto F[\varphi] \end{array} \quad \boxed{F[\varphi](k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n} kj} \varphi(j)}$$

defined by using the identification $\{\varphi: \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\} \equiv \mathbb{C}^n$
 $\varphi \equiv (\varphi(0), \varphi(1), \dots, \varphi(n-1))$,
 is a unitary transformation. Its inverse is

$$F^{-1} = F^\dagger, \text{ where } \boxed{F^\dagger[\varphi](k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} kj} \varphi(j)}$$

#11 Theorem Alternative definition of $\mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$.

$\mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$ can be defined as $\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{the space of all the} \\ \text{anti-linear operators} \\ T: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1. \end{array}}$

#12 Theorem.

A tensor product of tight frames is a tight frame.

#13 Remark.

The superposition (linear combination) of states

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k |\psi_k\rangle$$

is a pure state with the density operator

$$\varrho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k|^2 |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| + \sum_{k \neq j} c_k \bar{c}_j |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_j|.$$

The second sum contains the *interference terms*.

#14 Exercise.

Representations as a probabilistic ensemble of pure states of the maximally mixed state of a qubit:

$$\varrho = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \bullet \varrho = \frac{1}{2} |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{2} |1\rangle\langle 1|, \\ \bullet \varrho = \frac{1}{2} |+\rangle\langle +| + \frac{1}{2} |-\rangle\langle -|, \\ \bullet \varrho = \frac{1}{2} |\uparrow_y\rangle\langle \uparrow_y| + \frac{1}{2} |\downarrow_y\rangle\langle \downarrow_y|, \\ \bullet \varrho = \frac{1}{4} |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{4} |1\rangle\langle 1| \\ \quad + \frac{1}{4} |+\rangle\langle +| + \frac{1}{4} |-\rangle\langle -|, \\ \bullet \text{ etc.} \end{array}$$

#15 Exercise.

A mixed state ϱ of any quantum system can be realised as an *ensemble* of orthogonal pure states.

#16 Exercise.

In the Schrödinger picture, the time evolution of the density operator

$$\varrho = \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} p_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|$$

for a closed system is described by

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varrho = [H, \varrho],$$

where H is the Hamiltonian of the system.

MAIN PROOFS

A Axioms of Quantum Mechanics

A3 If $\{|\psi_j\rangle\}_{j=1}^n$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(E_k |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) &= \sum_{j=1}^n \langle\psi_j|E_k|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\psi_j\rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \langle\psi|\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|E_k|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|\sum_{j=1}^n |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|E_k|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|E_k|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|E_k^2|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|E_k^\dagger E_k|\psi\rangle \\ &= \|\langle\psi|E_k|\psi\rangle\|^2.\end{aligned}$$

A4

If $\{|\psi_j\rangle\}_{j=1}^n$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(A |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) &= \sum_{j=1}^n \langle\psi_j|A|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\psi_j\rangle \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \langle\psi|\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|A|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|\sum_{j=1}^n |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|A|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|A|\psi\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\langle A \rangle &= \sum_{j=1}^n a_k \text{prob}(a_k) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n a_k \langle\psi|E_k|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|\sum_{j=1}^n a_k E_k|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|A|\psi\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

A7

$$\begin{aligned}E_k &= |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| \\ &\downarrow \\ \text{prob}(a_k) &= \langle\psi|E_k|\psi\rangle = \langle\psi|\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle = |\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle|^2.\end{aligned}$$

B Density Operators

B1

- $E_\psi^\dagger = (|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|)^\dagger = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = E_\psi$.
- $\langle\varphi|E_\psi|\varphi\rangle = \langle\varphi|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\varphi\rangle = |\langle\varphi|\psi\rangle|^2 \geq 0$.
- If we extend the set $\{|\psi\rangle\}$ up to an orthonormal basis $\{|\psi\rangle, |\varphi_1\rangle, |\varphi_2\rangle, \dots, |\varphi_{n-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{H}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr } E_\psi &= \langle\psi|E_\psi|\psi\rangle + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \langle\varphi_j|E_\psi|\varphi_j\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\psi\rangle + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \langle\varphi_j|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\varphi_j\rangle = 1.\end{aligned}$$

B5

$$\varrho^\dagger = \varrho \Rightarrow \varrho \text{ is diagonalizable } \varrho = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|.$$

where $\{|\psi_1\rangle, |\psi_2\rangle, \dots, |\psi_n\rangle\}$ is an orthonormal basis, that is $\sum_{k=1}^n |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| = \mathbb{I}$.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varrho \geq 0 &\Rightarrow p_k = \langle\psi_k|\varrho|\psi_k\rangle \geq 0, \\ \text{tr } \varrho = 1 &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n p_k = \text{tr } \varrho = 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow 0 \leq p_k \leq 1.$$

$$\varrho^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k^2 |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| \Rightarrow \text{tr } \varrho^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n p_k = 1.$$

The minimum value of $\text{tr } \varrho^2$ is obtained in the case $p_1 = p_2 = \dots = p_n = \frac{1}{n}$, and it is $n \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n}$.

B7 (Case of a qubit).

If r lies on the line segment connecting two points $r', r'' \in \partial\Omega_3$, then there exists $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that $r = (1-\lambda)r' + \lambda r''$, and consequently

$$\begin{aligned}\varrho(r) &= \frac{1}{2}(r_0 \mathbb{I} + ((1-\lambda)r' + \lambda r'') \cdot \sigma) \\ &= (1-\lambda)\varrho(r') + \lambda\varrho(r'').\end{aligned}$$

B8

$$\begin{aligned}0 \leq p_k \leq 1 &\Rightarrow 0 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle|^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n |\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle|^2 \\ &\Downarrow \\ 0 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \langle\psi|\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \langle\psi|\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle \\ &\Downarrow \\ 0 \leq \langle\psi|\sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle &\leq \langle\psi|\sum_{k=1}^n |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|\psi\rangle \\ &\Downarrow \\ 0 \leq \langle\psi|\varrho|\psi\rangle &\leq \langle\psi|\mathbb{I}|\psi\rangle \\ &\Downarrow \\ 0 \leq \varrho &\leq \mathbb{I}\end{aligned}$$

B9

$$\begin{aligned}\varrho = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| &\Rightarrow \langle A \rangle_\varrho = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \langle\psi_k|A|\psi_k\rangle \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \text{tr}(A |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|) \\ &= \text{tr}(A \sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|) \\ &= \text{tr}(A \varrho).\end{aligned}$$

B10, 11

We have $\|\varrho\|^2 = \langle\varrho, \varrho\rangle = \text{tr } \varrho^2$.

- $\varrho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \Rightarrow \varrho^2 = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \varrho \Rightarrow \text{tr } \varrho^2 = 1$.
- $\varrho^2 = \varrho \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n p_k^2 |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|$
 $\Rightarrow p_k \in \{0, 1\}$, for any k
 $\Rightarrow$ there exists j such that $p_k = \delta_{kj}$
 $\Rightarrow \varrho = |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|$.

- there exists j such that $0 < p_j < 1 \Rightarrow p_j^2 < p_j \Rightarrow \text{tr } \varrho^2 < \text{tr } \varrho = 1$.

Consequently:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr } \varrho^2 = 1 &\Rightarrow p_k \in \{0, 1\}, \text{ for any } k \\ &\Rightarrow \text{there exists } j \text{ such that } p_k = \delta_{kj} \\ &\Rightarrow \varrho = |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|.\end{aligned}$$

B12

$$\begin{aligned}\varrho^\dagger &= \varrho, & (K^\dagger \varrho K)^\dagger &= K^\dagger \varrho K, \\ \varrho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) &\Rightarrow \langle\psi|\varrho|\psi\rangle \geq 0, \forall \psi & \Rightarrow \langle\psi|K^\dagger \varrho K|\psi\rangle \geq 0, \forall \psi \\ \text{tr } \varrho &= 1 & \text{tr}(K^\dagger \varrho K) &= \text{tr}(\varrho K K^\dagger) = 1.\end{aligned}$$

B13

$$\begin{aligned}((1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2)^\dagger &= (1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2, \\ \langle\psi|(1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2|\psi\rangle &= (1-\lambda)\langle\psi|\varrho_1|\psi\rangle + \lambda\langle\psi|\varrho_2|\psi\rangle \geq 0, \\ \text{tr}((1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2) &= (1-\lambda)\text{tr } \varrho_1 + \lambda\text{tr } \varrho_2 = 1.\end{aligned}$$

B14

“ $\Rightarrow$ ”

Let $\varrho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$, and let $\varrho_1, \varrho_2 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H})$, $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ be such that $\varrho = (1-\lambda)\varrho_1 + \lambda\varrho_2$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\varrho^2 = \varrho &\Rightarrow \varrho = (1-\lambda)\varrho\varrho_1\varrho + \lambda\varrho\varrho_2\varrho, \\ &\Downarrow \\ 1 &= (1-\lambda)\text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_1\varrho) + \lambda\text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_2\varrho).\end{aligned}$$

Density operators ϱ_1 and ϱ_2 satisfy the relations

$$\text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_i\varrho) = \text{tr}(\varrho^2\varrho_i) = \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_i) = \langle\varrho, \varrho_i\rangle$$

$$\leq |\langle\varrho, \varrho_i\rangle| \leq \|\varrho\| \|\varrho_i\| \leq 1$$

$$\text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_i\varrho) = \sum_{j=1}^n \langle\psi_j, \varrho\varrho_i\varrho\psi_j\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n \langle\varrho\psi_j, \varrho_i\varrho\psi_j\rangle \geq 0,$$

where $\{|\psi_1\rangle, |\psi_2\rangle, \dots, |\psi_n\rangle\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}$.

We have $\text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_1\varrho) = \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_2\varrho) = 1$ because

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_1\varrho) < 1 \\ \text{or} \\ \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_2\varrho) < 1 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow (1-\lambda) \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_1\varrho) + \lambda \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_2\varrho) < 1.$$

Consequently,

$$\langle\varrho, \varrho_i\rangle = \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_i) = \text{tr}(\varrho^2\varrho_i) = \text{tr}(\varrho\varrho_i\varrho) = 1.$$

Since $\langle\varrho, \varrho\rangle = \text{tr} \varrho^2 \leq 1$ and $\langle\varrho_i, \varrho_i\rangle = \text{tr} \varrho_i^2 \leq 1$

in Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$|\langle\varrho, \varrho_i\rangle|^2 \leq \langle\varrho, \varrho\rangle \langle\varrho_i, \varrho_i\rangle$$

we have equality

$$|\langle\varrho, \varrho_i\rangle|^2 = \langle\varrho, \varrho\rangle \langle\varrho_i, \varrho_i\rangle.$$

This is possible only for $\varrho = c \varrho_i$,

where c is a constant. But

$$\text{tr} \varrho = \text{tr} \varrho_i = 1 \Rightarrow \varrho = \varrho_i.$$

“ $\Leftarrow$ ”

Let ϱ be an extremal point of $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H})$ with the spectral decomposition

$$\varrho = \sum_{j=1}^n p_j |\psi_j\rangle \langle\psi_j| = p_1 |\psi_1\rangle \langle\psi_1| + \dots + p_n |\psi_n\rangle \langle\psi_n|.$$

Each p_k must be either 0 or 1 because

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < p_k < 1 \\ \Downarrow \\ \varrho = p_k |\psi_k\rangle \langle\psi_k| + (1-p_k) \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{p_j}{1-p_k} |\psi_j\rangle \langle\psi_j| \end{aligned}$$

and this is possible only if

$$\varrho = |\psi_k\rangle \langle\psi_k| = \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{p_j}{1-p_k} |\psi_j\rangle \langle\psi_j|,$$

and this is impossible since

$$|\psi_k\rangle \langle\psi_k| = \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{p_j}{1-p_k} |\psi_j\rangle \langle\psi_j|$$

$$|\psi_k\rangle = |\psi_k\rangle \langle\psi_k| \psi_k\rangle = \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{p_j}{1-p_k} |\psi_j\rangle \langle\psi_j| \psi_k\rangle = 0.$$

C Qubits

C7

Eigenvalues of $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ are the roots of the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{r_0+r_3}{2} - \lambda & \frac{r_1-ir_2}{2} \\ \frac{r_1+ir_2}{2} & \frac{r_0-r_3}{2} - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0.$$

C12

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 = \frac{r_0+||r||}{2} \geq 0 \\ A \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{and} \Leftrightarrow ||r|| \leq r_0. \\ \lambda_2 = \frac{r_0-||r||}{2} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

C19

The diametrically opposite point corresponding to (ϱ, θ) has the angular coordinates $(\varrho + \pi, \theta - \pi)$.

The corresponding pure states

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\phi} |1\rangle \\ \cos \frac{\pi-\theta}{2} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\pi-\theta}{2} e^{i(\phi+\pi)} |1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

are orthogonal.

C21

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 = \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow e^{itA} &= I + \frac{it}{1!} A + \frac{(it)^2}{2!} A^2 + \frac{(it)^3}{3!} A^3 + \dots \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{2!} + \frac{t^4}{4!} - \frac{t^6}{6!} + \dots\right) \mathbb{I} \\ &\quad + i \left(\frac{t}{1!} - \frac{t^3}{3!} + \frac{t^5}{5!} - \frac{t^7}{7!} + \dots\right) A. \\ &= \cos t \mathbb{I} + i \sin t A. \end{aligned}$$

C25

We have

$$\mathcal{R}_x(t) \begin{pmatrix} 1+r_3 & r_1-ir_2 \\ r_1+ir_2 & 1-r_3 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{R}_x^\dagger(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1+r'_3 & r'_1-ir'_2 \\ r'_1+ir'_2 & 1-r'_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} r'_1 \\ r'_2 \\ r'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos t & -\sin t \\ 0 & \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

C26

We have

$$\mathcal{R}_y(t) \begin{pmatrix} 1+r_3 & r_1-ir_2 \\ r_1+ir_2 & 1-r_3 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{R}_y^\dagger(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1+r'_3 & r'_1-ir'_2 \\ r'_1+ir'_2 & 1-r'_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} r'_1 \\ r'_2 \\ r'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & 0 & -\sin t \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin t & 0 & \cos t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

C27

We have

$$\mathcal{R}_z(t) \begin{pmatrix} 1+r_3 & r_1-ir_2 \\ r_1+ir_2 & 1-r_3 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{R}_z^\dagger(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1+r'_3 & r'_1-ir'_2 \\ r'_1+ir'_2 & 1-r'_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} r'_1 \\ r'_2 \\ r'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t & 0 \\ \sin t & \cos t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

C28

A transform $U : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ with the matrix

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} u_{00} & u_{01} \\ u_{10} & u_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

is unitary if $U^\dagger U = U U^\dagger = I$, that is

$$\begin{aligned} |u_{00}|^2 + |u_{01}|^2 &= 1, & |u_{00}|^2 + |u_{10}|^2 &= 1, \\ |u_{10}|^2 + |u_{11}|^2 &= 1, & |u_{01}|^2 + |u_{11}|^2 &= 1, \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

and

$$\bar{u}_{00}u_{10} + \bar{u}_{01}u_{11} = 0, \quad \bar{u}_{00}u_{01} + \bar{u}_{10}u_{11} = 0.$$

Matrix U satisfies (*) if and only if it has the form

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} & -\sin \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\beta}{2}} \\ \sin \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} & \cos \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\beta}{2}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This matrix satisfies the last two conditions if and only if $a-c=b-d$. Consequently, U must have the form

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} & -\sin \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\beta}{2}} \\ \sin \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} & \cos \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{b+c-a}{2}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

But, this matrix can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} U &= e^{i\frac{b+c}{4}} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{(a-b)+(a-c)}{2}} & -\sin \frac{\beta}{2} e^{i\frac{(a-c)-(a-b)}{2}} \\ \sin \frac{\beta}{2} e^{-i\frac{(a-c)-(a-b)}{2}} & \cos \frac{\beta}{2} e^{-i\frac{(a-b)+(a-c)}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e^{i\frac{b+c}{4}} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\alpha}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\alpha}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} & -\sin \frac{\beta}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\beta}{2} & \cos \frac{\beta}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\gamma}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\gamma}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= e^{i\theta} \mathcal{R}_z(\alpha) \mathcal{R}_y(\beta) \mathcal{R}_z(\gamma), \end{aligned}$$

where $\theta = \frac{b+c}{4}$, $\alpha = \frac{a-b}{2}$ and $\gamma = \frac{a-c}{2}$.

D Composite systems

D8

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(|\varphi\rangle\langle\psi|) &= \sum_j \langle j|\varphi\rangle\langle\psi|j\rangle \\ &= \sum_j \langle\psi|j\rangle\langle j|\varphi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|\varphi\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

D9

Direct consequences of D3 and D4 (page 3).

D10

$$\begin{aligned}\langle k\ell|\sum_j {}_2\langle j|\varphi\psi\rangle\otimes|j\rangle_2 &= \sum_k \langle kj|\varphi\psi\rangle\langle\ell|j\rangle \\ &= \sum_k \langle kj|\varphi\psi\rangle\delta_{\ell j} \\ &= \langle k\ell|\varphi\psi\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

D11

$$\begin{aligned}A\otimes B &= \sum_{ijk\ell} |ik\rangle\langle ik|A\otimes B|j\ell\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &= \sum_{ijk\ell} \langle ik|A\otimes B|j\ell\rangle |ik\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &= \sum_{ijk\ell} (A\otimes B)_{j\ell}^{ik} |ik\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &= \sum_{ijk\ell} A_j^i B_\ell^k |ik\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &\Downarrow \\ {}_1\langle\varphi_1|A\otimes B|\varphi_2\rangle_1 &= \sum_{ijk\ell} A_j^i B_\ell^k {}_1\langle\varphi_1|ik\rangle\langle j\ell|\varphi_2\rangle_1 \\ &= \sum_{ijk\ell} A_j^i B_\ell^k \langle\varphi_1|i\rangle\langle j|\varphi_2\rangle |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\ &= \sum_{ij} \langle\varphi_1|i\rangle\langle i|A|j\rangle\langle j|\varphi_2\rangle \sum_{k\ell} B_\ell^k |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\ &= \langle\varphi_1|A|\varphi_2\rangle B, \\ {}_2\langle\psi_1|A\otimes B|\psi_2\rangle_2 &= \sum_{ijk\ell} A_j^i B_\ell^k {}_2\langle\psi_1|ik\rangle\langle j\ell|\psi_2\rangle_2 \\ &= \sum_{ijk\ell} A_j^i B_\ell^k \langle\psi_1|k\rangle\langle\ell|\psi_2\rangle |i\rangle\langle j| \\ &= \sum_{k\ell} \langle\psi_1|k\rangle\langle k|B|\ell\rangle\langle\ell|\psi_2\rangle \sum_{ij} A_j^i |i\rangle\langle j| \\ &= \langle\psi_1|B|\psi_2\rangle A\end{aligned}$$

D12

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}_1(A\otimes B) &= \sum_j {}_1\langle j|A\otimes B|j\rangle_1, \\ &\Downarrow \text{D9} \\ &= \sum_j \langle j|A|j\rangle B \\ &= (\text{tr } A) B. \\ \text{tr}_2(A\otimes B) &= \sum_k {}_2\langle k|A\otimes B|k\rangle_2, \\ &\Downarrow \text{D9} \\ &= \sum_k \langle k|B|k\rangle A \\ &= (\text{tr } B) A.\end{aligned}$$

D13

$$\begin{aligned}\langle ik|(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|\otimes|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|)|j\ell\rangle &= \langle ik|(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|j\rangle\otimes|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|\ell\rangle) \\ &= \langle i|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|j\rangle\langle k|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|\ell\rangle \\ &= \langle i|\varphi_1\rangle\langle k|\psi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|j\rangle\langle\psi_2|\ell\rangle \\ &= \langle ik|\varphi_1\psi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2\psi_2|j\ell\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

D14

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}_1(|\varphi_1\psi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2\psi_2|) &= \text{tr}_1(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|\otimes|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|) \\ &\Downarrow \text{D13} \\ &= \text{tr}(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|)|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2| \\ &\Downarrow \text{D8} \\ &= \langle\psi_2|\psi_1\rangle|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}_2(|\varphi_1\psi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2\psi_2|) &= \text{tr}_2(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2|\otimes|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|) \\ &\Downarrow \text{D13} \\ &= \text{tr}(|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|)|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_2| \\ &\Downarrow \text{D8} \\ &= \langle\varphi_2|\varphi_1\rangle|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_2|,\end{aligned}$$

D15

$$\begin{aligned}T &= \sum_{ijk\ell} |ik\rangle\langle ik|T|j\ell\rangle\langle j\ell| = \sum_{ijk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{ik} |ik\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &\Downarrow \text{D7} \\ \text{tr}_1 T &= \sum_r {}_1\langle r|T|r\rangle_1, \\ &= \sum_r \sum_{ijk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{ik} {}_1\langle r|ik\rangle\langle j\ell|r\rangle_1 \\ &= \sum_r \sum_{ijk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{ik} \delta_{ri} \delta_{rj} |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\ &= \sum_{jk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{jk} |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\ &\Downarrow \\ \langle k|\text{tr}_1 T|\ell\rangle &= \sum_j T_{j\ell}^{jk} \\ (\text{tr}_1 T)_\ell^k &= \sum_j T_{j\ell}^{jk} \\ T &= \sum_{ijk\ell} |ik\rangle\langle ik|T|j\ell\rangle\langle j\ell| = \sum_{ijk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{ik} |ik\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &\Downarrow \text{D7} \\ \text{tr}_2 T &= \sum_r {}_2\langle r|T|r\rangle_2, \\ &= \sum_r \sum_{ijk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{ik} {}_2\langle r|ik\rangle\langle j\ell|r\rangle_2 \\ &= \sum_r \sum_{ijk\ell} T_{j\ell}^{ik} \delta_{rk} \delta_{r\ell} |i\rangle\langle j| \\ &= \sum_{ijk} T_{jk}^{ik} |i\rangle\langle j| \\ &\Downarrow \\ \langle i|\text{tr}_2 T|j\rangle &= \sum_k T_{jk}^{ik} \\ (\text{tr}_2 T)_j^i &= \sum_k T_{jk}^{ik}\end{aligned}$$

D16

Direct consequences of D15 (page 3).

D17

$$\begin{aligned}\langle ab|\sum_{k,\ell} {}_2\langle k|T|\ell\rangle_2\otimes|k\rangle_2{}_2\langle\ell|cd\rangle &= \sum_{k,\ell} \langle ak|T|c\ell\rangle\langle b|k\rangle\langle\ell|d\rangle \\ &= \sum_{k,\ell} \langle ak|T|c\ell\rangle\delta_{bk}\delta_{\ell d} \\ &= \langle ab|T|cd\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

D18

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(|\varphi\rangle\langle\psi|A) &= \sum_j \langle j|(|\varphi\rangle\langle\psi|A)|j\rangle \\ &= \sum_j \langle j|\varphi\rangle\langle\psi|A|j\rangle \\ &= \sum_j \langle\psi|A|j\rangle\langle j|\varphi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|A|\varphi\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

D19

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbb{I}\otimes(|b\rangle\langle b|))T &= \sum_{ijk\ell} \sum_{rs} (\mathbb{I}\otimes(|b\rangle\langle b|))_{rs}^{ik} T_{j\ell}^{rs} |ik\rangle\langle j\ell| \\ &\Downarrow \\ \text{tr}_2((\mathbb{I}\otimes(|b\rangle\langle b|))T) &= \sum_{ijk} \sum_{rs} (\mathbb{I}\otimes(|b\rangle\langle b|))_{rs}^{ik} T_{jk}^{rs} |i\rangle\langle j| \\ &= \sum_{ijk} \sum_{rs} \delta_r^i \langle k|b\rangle\langle b|s\rangle T_{jk}^{rs} |i\rangle\langle j| \\ &= \sum_{ijk} \delta_r^i \langle k|b\rangle\langle b|s\rangle T_{jk}^{rs} |i\rangle\langle j|\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{ijk} \sum_s \langle b|s \rangle T_{jk}^{is} \langle k|b \rangle |i\rangle \langle j| \\
&= \sum_{ijk} \sum_s \langle b|s \rangle \langle is|T|jk \rangle \langle k|b \rangle |i\rangle \langle j| \\
&= \sum_{ij} \langle ib|T|jb \rangle |i\rangle \langle j| \\
&= \sum_{ij} |i\rangle \langle ib|T|jb \rangle \langle j| \\
&= {}_2\langle b|T|b \rangle_2
\end{aligned}$$

D20

$$\begin{aligned}
A_k^i &= \langle i|A|k \rangle \\
B_\ell^m &= \langle m|B|\ell \rangle \Rightarrow \sum_{ik\ell m} A_k^i B_\ell^m T_{im}^{k\ell} = \sum_{ik} A_k^i \sum_{j\ell m} \delta_j^k B_\ell^m T_{im}^{j\ell} \\
T_{im}^{k\ell} &= \langle k\ell|T|im \rangle \\
&\Downarrow \\
\sum_{ik\ell m} (A \otimes B)_{k\ell}^{im} T_{im}^{k\ell} &= \sum_{ik} A_k^i \sum_{j\ell m} (\mathbb{I} \otimes B)_{j\ell}^{km} T_{im}^{j\ell} \\
&\Downarrow \\
\sum_{im} ((A \otimes B)T)_{im}^{im} &= \sum_{ik} A_k^i \sum_m ((\mathbb{I} \otimes B)T)_{im}^{km} \\
&\Downarrow \\
\text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) &= \sum_{ik} A_k^i (\text{tr}_2((\mathbb{I} \otimes B)T))_i^k \\
&\Downarrow \\
\text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) &= \text{tr}(A \text{tr}_2((\mathbb{I} \otimes B)T)).
\end{aligned}$$

D21

$$\begin{aligned}
A_k^i &= \langle i|A|k \rangle \\
B_\ell^m &= \langle m|B|\ell \rangle \Rightarrow \sum_{ik\ell m} A_k^i B_\ell^m T_{im}^{k\ell} = \sum_{m\ell} B_\ell^m \sum_{ijk} A_k^i \delta_j^\ell T_{im}^{kj} \\
T_{im}^{k\ell} &= \langle k\ell|T|im \rangle \\
&\Downarrow \\
\sum_{ik\ell m} (A \otimes B)_{k\ell}^{im} T_{im}^{k\ell} &= \sum_{m\ell} B_\ell^m \sum_{ijk} (A \otimes \mathbb{I})_{kj}^{i\ell} T_{im}^{kj} \\
&\Downarrow \\
\sum_{im} ((A \otimes B)T)_{im}^{im} &= \sum_{m\ell} B_\ell^m \sum_i ((A \otimes \mathbb{I})T)_{im}^{i\ell} \\
&\Downarrow \\
\text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) &= \sum_{m\ell} B_\ell^m (\text{tr}_1((A \otimes \mathbb{I})T))_m^\ell \\
&\Downarrow \\
\text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) &= \text{tr}(B \text{tr}_1((A \otimes \mathbb{I})T)).
\end{aligned}$$

D22

$$\begin{aligned}
A \otimes B &= (A \otimes \mathbb{I})(\mathbb{I} \otimes B) \\
&\Downarrow \\
\text{tr}((A \otimes B)T) &= \text{tr}((A \otimes \mathbb{I})(\mathbb{I} \otimes B)T)
\end{aligned}$$

D23

Direct consequence of D20 (page 3).

D24

Direct consequence of D21 (page 3).

D2

$$\begin{aligned}
{}_2\langle \varphi | \text{tr}_1 \varrho | \varphi \rangle_2 &= {}_2\langle \varphi | \sum_j {}_1\langle j | \varrho | j \rangle_1 | \varphi \rangle_2 \\
&= \sum_j {}_2\langle \varphi | {}_1\langle j | \varrho | j \rangle_1 | \varphi \rangle_2 \\
&= \sum_j \langle j \varphi | \varrho | j \varphi \rangle \geq 0. \\
\text{tr}(\text{tr}_1 \varrho) &= \sum_k {}_2\langle k | \text{tr}_1 \varrho | k \rangle_2 \\
&= \sum_k {}_2\langle k | \sum_j {}_1\langle j | \varrho | j \rangle_1 | k \rangle_2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} \langle jk | \varrho | jk \rangle \\
&= \text{tr} \varrho = 1.
\end{aligned}$$

D26

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{tr}_1 \varrho)_\ell^k &= \langle k | \text{tr}_1 \varrho | \ell \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^1 \varrho_{j\ell}^{jk} = \varrho_{0\ell}^{0k} + \varrho_{1\ell}^{1k}, \\
(\text{tr}_2 \varrho)_j^i &= \langle i | \text{tr}_2 \varrho | j \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^1 \varrho_{jk}^{ik} = \varrho_{j0}^{i0} + \varrho_{j1}^{i1}.
\end{aligned}$$

D27 Schmidt decomposition.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\{|0\rangle_1, |1\rangle_1, \dots, |n-1\rangle_1\} \text{ basis of } \mathcal{H}_1 \\
&\{|0\rangle_2, |1\rangle_2, \dots, |m-1\rangle_2\} \text{ basis of } \mathcal{H}_2 \\
&\Phi \in \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2, \\
&\Downarrow \\
{}_1\langle j | (\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi|) | k \rangle_1 &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} \langle j\ell | \Phi \rangle \langle \Phi | k\ell \rangle \\
&= \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} \overline{\langle k\ell | \Phi \rangle} \langle \Phi | j\ell \rangle = \overline{{}_1\langle k | (\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi|) | j \rangle_1}, \\
{}_1\langle \varphi | (\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi|) | \varphi \rangle_1 &= \sum_{j,k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} {}_1\langle \varphi | j \rangle_1 \langle j i | \Phi \rangle \langle \Phi | k i \rangle {}_1\langle k | \varphi \rangle_1 \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \langle \varphi i | \Phi \rangle \langle \Phi | \varphi i \rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} |\langle \varphi i | \Phi \rangle|^2 \geq 0
\end{aligned}$$

$\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi| : \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1$ is self-adjoint and positive

there exists $\{\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_{n-1}\}$
orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{H}_1$ such that
 $\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi| = \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_k |\varphi_k\rangle \langle \varphi_k|$
and $p_0 \geq p_1 \geq \dots \geq p_{r-1} > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Downarrow \\
|\Phi\rangle &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} |\varphi_k j\rangle \\
&\Downarrow \\
|\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi| &= \sum_{i,k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j,\ell=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} \overline{\Phi^{i\ell}} |\varphi_k j\rangle \langle \varphi_i \ell| \\
&\Downarrow \\
\text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle \langle \Phi| &= \sum_{i,k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} \overline{\Phi^{ij}} |\varphi_k\rangle \langle \varphi_i| \\
&\Downarrow \\
\sum_{k=0}^{r-1} p_k |\varphi_k\rangle \langle \varphi_k| &= \sum_{i,k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} \overline{\Phi^{ij}} |\varphi_k\rangle \langle \varphi_i| \\
&\Downarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} \overline{\Phi^{ij}} = p_k \delta_{ik} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i, k \leq r-1 \\
&\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} |\Phi^{kj}|^2 = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} \overline{\Phi^{kj}} = 0 \quad \text{for } k > r-1
\end{aligned}$$

$\left\{ |\psi_k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_k}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} |j\rangle \mid k \in \{0, 1, \dots, r-1\} \right\}$
is an orthonormal set and $\Phi^{kj} = 0$ for $k > r-1$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Downarrow \\
|\Phi\rangle &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} |\varphi_k j\rangle \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \Phi^{kj} |\varphi_k\rangle \otimes |j\rangle \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \sqrt{p_k} |\varphi_k\rangle \otimes |\psi_k\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \sqrt{p_k} |\varphi_k \psi_k\rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

The set $\{|\psi_k\rangle \mid k \in \{0, 1, \dots, r-1\}\}$ can be extended up to an orthonormal basis $\{|\psi_0\rangle, |\psi_1\rangle, \dots, |\psi_{m-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{H}_2$.

D33

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Phi\rangle &= \sum_k \sqrt{p_k} |\varphi_k\rangle \otimes |\psi_k\rangle = \sum_k \sqrt{p_k} |\varphi_k \psi_k\rangle \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| &= \sum_{kj} \sqrt{p_k p_j} |\varphi_k \psi_k\rangle\langle\varphi_j \psi_j| \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 \text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| &= \sum_{kj} \sqrt{p_k p_j} \text{tr}_2 (|\varphi_k \psi_k\rangle\langle\varphi_j \psi_j|) \\
 &\Downarrow \text{ [D12] } \\
 \text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| &= \sum_{kj} \sqrt{p_k p_j} \langle\psi_j|\psi_k\rangle |\varphi_k\rangle\langle\varphi_j| \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 \text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| &= \sum_{kj} \sqrt{p_k p_j} \delta_{jk} |\varphi_k\rangle\langle\varphi_j| \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 \text{tr}_2 |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| &= \sum_k p_k |\varphi_k\rangle\langle\varphi_k|.
 \end{aligned}$$

E Entanglement

F Orthogonal measurements

F2

$$\left. \begin{aligned} P_j P_k &= \delta_{jk} P_j, \\ P_j &= P_j^\dagger, \\ \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P_j &= \mathbb{I} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} U: \mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathbb{C}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathbb{C}^n \\ U &= \sum_{j,k} P_j \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k| \\ &\text{is a unitary operator.} \end{aligned}$$

Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}
 UU^\dagger &= \left(\sum_{j,k} P_j \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k| \right) \left(\sum_{a,b} P_a^\dagger \otimes |b\rangle\langle b+a| \right) \\
 &= \sum_{j,k,a} P_j P_a^\dagger \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k+a| \\
 &= \sum_{j,k,a} P_j P_a \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k+a| \\
 &= \sum_{j,k,a} \delta_{ja} P_j \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k+a| \\
 &= \sum_{j,k} P_j \otimes |k+j\rangle\langle k+j| \\
 &= \sum_j P_j \otimes \sum_k |k+j\rangle\langle k+j| \\
 &= \sum_j P_j \otimes \mathbb{I} \\
 &= \mathbb{I} \otimes \mathbb{I}.
 \end{aligned}$$

G Generalized measurements

G3

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varrho &= |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \Rightarrow p_k = \text{tr}(M_k |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| M_k^\dagger) \\
 &= \text{tr}(M_k^\dagger M_k |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) \\
 &= \langle\psi| M_k^\dagger M_k |\psi\rangle \\
 &= \|M_k |\psi\rangle\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{M_k |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| M_k^\dagger}{p_k} \text{ is the density operator of } \frac{M_k |\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{p_k}}.$$

G4

See G15.

G5

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\|M_k M_j |\psi\rangle\|^2}{\|M_k |\psi\rangle\|^2} &= \delta_{kj} \quad \text{for any } |\psi\rangle \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 M_k M_j &= \delta_{kj} M_k, \quad \text{up to a phase factor.}
 \end{aligned}$$

G6

We choose:

- an arbitrary space $\mathcal{H}_B$ of dimension m ,
- an arbitrary $|\omega\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_B$ with $\langle\omega|\omega\rangle = 1$,
- an arbitrary orthonormal basis $\{|k\rangle\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$ of $\mathcal{H}_B$

By using the given operators $\{M_k: \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$, we define the surjective map

$$U: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}, \quad U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |\omega\rangle) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k |\psi\rangle \otimes |k\rangle,$$

where the sets

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{V} &\equiv \mathcal{H}_A \otimes |\omega\rangle = \{ |\psi\rangle \otimes |\omega\rangle \mid |\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \} \\
 \mathcal{W} &= \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k |\psi\rangle \otimes |k\rangle \mid |\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

are vector subspaces of $\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$.

The map U is a unitary transform because

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |\omega\rangle), U(|\varphi\rangle \otimes |\omega\rangle) \rangle &= \\
 &= \left\langle \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k |\psi\rangle \otimes |k\rangle, \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} M_\ell |\varphi\rangle \otimes |\ell\rangle \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{k,\ell=0}^{m-1} \langle M_k \psi, M_\ell \varphi \rangle \langle k|\ell\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle M_k \psi, M_k \varphi \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle M_k^\dagger M_k \psi, \varphi \rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k^\dagger M_k \psi, \varphi \right\rangle \\
 &= \langle \psi, \varphi \rangle = \langle (|\psi\rangle \otimes |\omega\rangle), (|\varphi\rangle \otimes |\omega\rangle) \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, $U: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ is also injective.

It is an isomorphism and $\dim \mathcal{W} = \dim \mathcal{V} = \dim \mathcal{H}_A \equiv n$.

The unitary transform $U: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ can be extended

up to a unitary transform $\tilde{U}: \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

by following the steps:

- we choose an orthonormal basis $\{|\Psi_0\rangle, |\Psi_1\rangle, \dots, |\Psi_{n-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{V}$ and then extend it up to an orthonormal basis $\{|\Psi_0\rangle, |\Psi_1\rangle, \dots, |\Psi_{n-1}\rangle, \dots, |\Psi_{nm-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,
- we extend the orthonormal basis $\{|\Phi_0\rangle = U|\Psi_0\rangle, |\Phi_1\rangle = U|\Psi_1\rangle, \dots, |\Phi_{n-1}\rangle = U|\Psi_{n-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{W}$ up to an orthonormal basis $\{|\Phi_0\rangle, |\Phi_1\rangle, \dots, |\Phi_{n-1}\rangle, \dots, |\Phi_{nm-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,
- we define $\tilde{U}: \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$ as $\tilde{U}\Psi_k = \Phi_k$.

We have

$${}_B\langle k|U|\psi\rangle = {}_B\langle k| \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} M_\ell |\psi\rangle \otimes |\ell\rangle = M_k |\psi\rangle.$$

In the case of a density operator

$$\varrho_A = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|$$

we get

$$\text{tr}(U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger \mathbb{I} \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|)$$

$$\Downarrow \text{ [D19] }$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k|U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\
 &= \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k|U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k|U |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| \otimes |\omega\rangle\langle\omega| U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\
 &\Downarrow \text{ [D13] } \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k|U |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| \omega \langle\omega| U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A (M_k |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| M_k^\dagger) \\
 &= \text{tr}_A (M_k \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| M_k^\dagger) \\
 &= \text{tr}_A (M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger) = p_k,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{p_k} \text{tr}_B (U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger \mathbb{I} \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|) \\ = \frac{1}{p_k} \langle k| U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B \\ = \frac{M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger}{p_k} = \varrho_{Ak}. \end{aligned}$$

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By using the given unitary transform U , we define the operators $\{M_k: \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$, where $M_k|\psi\rangle = {}_B\langle k|U|\psi\rangle$.

They satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi | \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k^\dagger M_k | \psi \rangle &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle \varphi | M_k^\dagger M_k | \psi \rangle \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle \varphi \omega | U^\dagger | k \rangle \langle k | U | \psi \omega \rangle \\ &= \langle \varphi \omega | U^\dagger \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} | k \rangle \langle k | U | \psi \omega \rangle \\ &= \langle \varphi \omega | U^\dagger U | \psi \omega \rangle \\ &= \langle \varphi \omega | \psi \omega \rangle \\ &= \langle \varphi | \psi \rangle \langle \omega | \omega \rangle \\ &= \langle \varphi | \psi \rangle \quad \text{for any } \varphi, \psi \in \mathcal{H}_A \\ &\Downarrow \\ \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k^\dagger M_k | \psi \rangle &= | \psi \rangle \quad \text{for any } \psi \in \mathcal{H}_A \\ &\Downarrow \\ \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} M_k^\dagger M_k &= \mathbb{I}. \end{aligned}$$

In the case of a density operator

$$\varrho_A = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} p_k &= \text{tr}(U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger \mathbb{I} \otimes P_k) \\ &\Downarrow \boxed{D19} \\ &= \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k| U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k| U |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| \otimes |\omega\rangle\langle\omega| U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &\Downarrow \boxed{D13} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A ({}_B\langle k| U |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A (M_k |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| M_k^\dagger) \\ &= \text{tr}_A (M_k \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| M_k^\dagger) \\ &= \text{tr}_A (M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger), \end{aligned}$$

$$\varrho_{Ak} = \frac{1}{p_k} {}_B\langle k| U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B = \frac{M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger}{p_k}.$$

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$$\begin{aligned} U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) &= E_0 |\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + E_1 |\psi\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ &= \alpha |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle) \otimes |0'\rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha |0\rangle - \beta |1\rangle) \otimes |1'\rangle \\ &= M_0 |\psi\rangle \otimes |0'\rangle + M_1 |\psi\rangle \otimes |1'\rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$M_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

H Positive operator-valued measures

I Quantum channels

I2

- $\mathcal{E}(\alpha \varrho_1 + \beta \varrho_2) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j (\alpha \varrho_1 + \beta \varrho_2) K_j^\dagger$

$$= \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j \varrho_1 K_j^\dagger + \beta \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j \varrho_2 K_j^\dagger$$

$$= \alpha \mathcal{E}(\varrho_1) + \beta \mathcal{E}(\varrho_2).$$
- $\text{tr } \varrho = 1$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\text{tr } \mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_j \text{tr}(K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger)$$

$$\Downarrow \boxed{B20}$$

$$= \sum_j \text{tr}(K_j^\dagger K_j \varrho)$$

$$= \text{tr} \sum_j K_j^\dagger K_j \varrho$$

$$= \text{tr } \varrho.$$
- $\varrho = \sum_k \lambda_k |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k|$ with $\lambda_k \geq 0$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\langle \varphi | \mathcal{E}(\varrho) | \varphi \rangle = \sum_{k,j} \lambda_k \langle \varphi | K_j |\psi_k\rangle\langle\psi_k| K_j^\dagger | \varphi \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{k,j} \lambda_k \langle \varphi, K_j \psi_k \rangle \langle \psi_k, K_j^\dagger \varphi \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{k,j} \lambda_k \langle \varphi, K_j \psi_k \rangle \langle K_j \psi_k, \varphi \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{k,j} \lambda_k \langle \varphi, K_j \psi_k \rangle \overline{\langle \varphi, K_j \psi_k \rangle}$$

$$= \sum_{k,j} \lambda_k |\langle \varphi, K_j \psi_k \rangle|^2 \geq 0, \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{H}_{A'}.$$
- $C_1 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A), \quad C_2 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$

$$(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})})(C_1 \otimes C_2) = \mathcal{E}(C_1) \otimes C_2$$

$$= \sum_j K_j C_1 K_j^\dagger \otimes C_2$$

$$= \sum_j (K_j \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}})(C_1 \otimes C_2)(K_j^\dagger \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}})$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})})(C) = \sum_j (K_j \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}}) C (K_j^\dagger \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}})$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\langle \Psi | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})})(C) | \Psi \rangle = \sum_j \langle \Psi | (K_j \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}}) C (K_j^\dagger \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}}) | \Psi \rangle$$

$$\Downarrow C \geq 0$$

$$\langle \Psi | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})})(C) | \Psi \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall \Psi \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_{A'}) \otimes \mathcal{H}.$$

I3

- $\mathcal{E}$ channel $\Rightarrow (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|)$ density operator

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| \geq 0 \\
 & \Downarrow \mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B \geq 0 \\
 & (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) \geq 0, \quad \text{and} \\
 & \text{tr}(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,j=0}^{n-1} \text{tr}(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|kk\rangle\langle jj|) \\
 & = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,j=0}^{n-1} \text{tr}(\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |k\rangle\langle j|) \\
 & = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,j=0}^{n-1} \text{tr}(\mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \otimes (|k\rangle\langle j|)) \\
 & = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,j=0}^{n-1} \text{tr} \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \text{tr}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \\
 & = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,j=0}^{n-1} \text{tr}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \langle j|k\rangle \\
 & = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,j=0}^{n-1} \text{tr}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \delta_{jk} \\
 & = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \text{tr}(|k\rangle\langle k|) = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{E} \mapsto (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|)$ is an injective map

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\varphi\rangle_A &= \sum_k \varphi_k |k\rangle_A \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 |\varphi\rangle_A &= \sum_k \varphi_k {}_B\langle k|\Phi\rangle_{AB} \\
 |\varphi\rangle_A &= {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}|\Phi\rangle_{AB} \quad \text{where } {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| = \sum_k \varphi_k {}_B\langle k|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{E}(|\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi|) &= \mathcal{E}({}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|\bar{\varphi}\rangle_B) \\
 &= \mathcal{E}({}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| \sum_{k,j} |kk\rangle\langle jj| \bar{\varphi}\rangle_B) \\
 &= \mathcal{E}({}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| \sum_{k,j} |k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |k\rangle\langle j| \bar{\varphi}\rangle_B) \\
 &= \mathcal{E}(\sum_{k,j} \varphi_k \bar{\varphi}_j |k\rangle\langle j|) \\
 &= \sum_{k,j} \varphi_k \bar{\varphi}_j \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \\
 &= {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| \sum_{k,j} \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \otimes |k\rangle\langle j| \bar{\varphi}\rangle_B \\
 &= {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (\sum_{k,j} |k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |k\rangle\langle j|) |\bar{\varphi}\rangle_B \\
 &= {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (\sum_{k,j} |kk\rangle\langle jj|) |\bar{\varphi}\rangle_B \\
 &= {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) |\bar{\varphi}\rangle_B,
 \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) &= (\tilde{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) |\bar{\varphi}\rangle_B &= {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| (\tilde{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) |\bar{\varphi}\rangle_B \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 \mathcal{E}(|\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi|) &= \tilde{\mathcal{E}}(|\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi|), \quad \text{for all } |\varphi\rangle \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 \mathcal{E}(\varrho) &= \tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\varrho), \quad \text{for all } \varrho \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 \mathcal{E} &= \tilde{\mathcal{E}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{E} \mapsto (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|)$ is a surjective map

For a density operator on $\mathcal{H}_{A'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

$$\Omega = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} p_j |\omega_j\rangle\langle\omega_j|$$

there exist

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_j &: \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'} \\
 K_j |k\rangle_A &= \sqrt{n} p_j {}_B\langle k|\omega_j\rangle_{A'B}
 \end{aligned}$$

such that

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_j K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger$$

satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,\ell} (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|kk\rangle\langle\ell\ell|) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,\ell} (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B)(|k\rangle\langle\ell| \otimes |k\rangle\langle\ell|) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,\ell} \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle\ell|) \otimes |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k,\ell} \sum_j K_j |k\rangle\langle\ell| K_j^\dagger \otimes |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\
 &= \sum_{k,\ell} \sum_j p_j {}_B\langle k|\omega_j\rangle\langle\omega_j|\ell\rangle_B \otimes |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\
 &= \sum_{k,\ell} {}_B\langle k|\Omega|\ell\rangle_B \otimes |k\rangle\langle\ell| \\
 &\Downarrow \boxed{D17} \text{ (page 3)} \\
 &= \Omega.
 \end{aligned}$$

but,

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_B\langle k| \sum_j K_j^\dagger K_j |\ell\rangle_B &= n \sum_j p_j \langle\omega_j|k\rangle_B {}_B\langle\ell|\omega_j\rangle \\
 &= n \sum_j \sum_{a,b} p_j \langle\omega_j|ak\rangle_A \langle a|b\rangle_{A'} \langle b|\ell\rangle_B \\
 &= n \sum_j \sum_{a,b} p_j \langle\omega_j|ak\rangle \delta_{ab} \langle b|\ell\rangle_B \\
 &= n \sum_j \sum_a p_j \langle a|\ell\rangle_B \langle\omega_j|ak\rangle \\
 &= n \sum_a \langle a|\ell\rangle_B \langle\Omega|ak\rangle \\
 &= n {}_B\langle\ell|\text{tr}_{A'} \Omega|k\rangle_B.
 \end{aligned}$$

I4

“ $\Uparrow$ ” See I2.

“ $\Downarrow$ ”

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Phi\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |k\rangle_A \otimes |k\rangle_B \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 |k\rangle_A &= \sqrt{n} {}_B\langle k|\Phi\rangle_{AB} \\
 &\Downarrow \\
 |\varphi\rangle_A &= \sum_k \varphi_k |k\rangle_A \\
 &= \sqrt{n} \sum_k \varphi_k {}_B\langle k|\Phi\rangle_{AB} \\
 &= \sqrt{n} {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}|\Phi\rangle_{AB} \quad \text{where } {}_B\langle \bar{\varphi}| = \sum_k \varphi_k {}_B\langle k| \\
 &\Downarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Downarrow \\
\mathcal{E}(|\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi|) &= n \mathcal{E}(|\bar{\varphi}\rangle\langle\bar{\varphi}| \otimes |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) \\
&= n \mathcal{E}(|\bar{\varphi}\rangle\langle\bar{\varphi}| \sum_{k,j} |kk\rangle\langle jj| \otimes |\bar{\varphi}\rangle\langle\bar{\varphi}|) \\
&= n \mathcal{E}(|\bar{\varphi}\rangle\langle\bar{\varphi}| \sum_{k,j} |k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |\bar{\varphi}\rangle\langle\bar{\varphi}|) \\
&= n \mathcal{E}(\sum_{k,j} \varphi_k \bar{\varphi}_j |k\rangle\langle j|) \\
&= n \sum_{k,j} \varphi_k \bar{\varphi}_j \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \\
&= n_B \langle \bar{\varphi} | \sum_{k,j} \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle j|) \otimes |k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |\bar{\varphi}\rangle\langle\bar{\varphi}| \\
&= n_B \langle \bar{\varphi} | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (\sum_{k,j} |k\rangle\langle j| \otimes |k\rangle\langle j|) | \bar{\varphi} \rangle_B \\
&= n_B \langle \bar{\varphi} | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (\sum_{k,j} |kk\rangle\langle jj|) | \bar{\varphi} \rangle_B \\
&= n_B \langle \bar{\varphi} | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) | \bar{\varphi} \rangle_B \\
& \Downarrow \boxed{I3} \\
&= n \sum_j p_{j_B} \langle \bar{\varphi} | \Psi_j \rangle \langle \Psi_j | \bar{\varphi} \rangle_B \\
&= \sum_j K_j |\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi| K_j^\dagger. \\
& \Downarrow
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_j K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger}$$

where $K_j: \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'}$
 $K_j |\varphi\rangle_A = \sqrt{np_j} {}_B \langle \bar{\varphi} | \Psi_j \rangle_{A'B}.$

In addition,

$$\begin{aligned}
K_j |\varphi\rangle_A &= \sqrt{np_j} {}_B \langle \bar{\varphi} | \Psi_j \rangle_{A'B} \\
& \Downarrow \\
K_j |i\rangle_A &= \sqrt{np_j} {}_B \langle i | \Psi_j \rangle_{A'B} \\
&= \sqrt{np_j} \sum_\ell |\ell\rangle_{A'} \langle \ell | \Psi_j \rangle \\
& \Downarrow \\
{}_A \langle \ell | K_j | i \rangle_A &= \sqrt{np_j} \langle \ell | \Psi_j \rangle \\
& \Downarrow \\
{}_A \langle i | K_j^\dagger | \ell \rangle_{A'} &= \sqrt{np_j} \langle \Psi_j | \ell \rangle \\
& \Downarrow \\
K_j^\dagger | \ell \rangle_{A'} &= \sqrt{np_j} \sum_i \langle \Psi_j | \ell k \rangle_{A'B} |k\rangle_A
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
K_j^\dagger K_j |k\rangle_A &= \sqrt{np_j} \sum_\ell K_j^\dagger | \ell \rangle_{A'} \langle \ell k | \Psi_j \rangle \\
&= np_j \sum_{\ell,i} \langle \ell k | \Psi_j \rangle \langle \Psi_j | \ell i \rangle_{A'B} |i\rangle_A \\
& \Downarrow \\
\sum_j K_j^\dagger K_j |k\rangle_A &= n \sum_{\ell,i} \langle \ell k | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) (|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) | \ell i \rangle |i\rangle_A \\
&= n \sum_{\ell,i} \sum_{a,b} \langle \ell k | (\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathbb{I}_B) |aa\rangle\langle bb| | \ell i \rangle |i\rangle_A \\
&= \sum_{\ell,i} \sum_{a,b} \langle \ell k | \mathcal{E}(|a\rangle\langle b|) \otimes |a\rangle\langle b| | \ell i \rangle |i\rangle_A \\
&= \sum_{\ell,i} \sum_{a,b} \langle \ell | \mathcal{E}(|a\rangle\langle b|) | \ell \rangle \langle k | a \rangle \langle b | i \rangle |i\rangle_A \\
&= \sum_{\ell,i} \sum_{a,b} \langle \ell | \mathcal{E}(|a\rangle\langle b|) | \ell \rangle \delta_{ka} \delta_{bi} \langle b | i \rangle |i\rangle_A \\
&= \sum_i \text{tr} \mathcal{E}(|k\rangle\langle i|) |i\rangle_A \\
&= \sum_i \text{tr}(|k\rangle\langle i|) |i\rangle_A \\
&= \sum_i |i\rangle\langle k| |i\rangle_A \\
&= |k\rangle_A, \quad \text{for any } k
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\sum_j K_j^\dagger K_j = \mathbb{I}}.$$

$\boxed{I5}$

“ $\Downarrow$ ”

We choose:

- an arbitrary space $\mathcal{H}_B$ of dimension m ,
- an arbitrary orthonormal basis $\{|k\rangle\}_{k=0}^{m-1}$ of $\mathcal{H}_B$

By using the operators $\{K_j: \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'}\}_{j=0}^{m-1}$, we define the surjective map

$$U_0: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}, \quad U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle,$$

where the sets

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V} &\equiv \mathcal{H}_A \otimes |0\rangle = \{ |\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mid |\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \} \\
\mathcal{W} &= \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle \mid |\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

are vector subspaces of $\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$ and $\mathcal{H}_{A'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$.

The map U is a unitary transform because

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle U_0(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle), U_0(|\varphi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) \rangle = \\
&= \left\langle \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |j\rangle, \sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} K_\ell |\varphi\rangle \otimes |\ell\rangle \right\rangle \\
&= \sum_{j,\ell=0}^{m-1} \langle K_j \psi, K_\ell \varphi \rangle \langle j | \ell \rangle \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \langle K_j \psi, K_j \varphi \rangle \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \langle K_j^\dagger K_j \psi, \varphi \rangle \\
&= \left\langle \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} K_j^\dagger K_j \psi, \varphi \right\rangle \\
&= \langle \psi, \varphi \rangle \\
&= \langle (|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle), (|\varphi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) \rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently, $U_0: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ is also injective.

It is an isomorphism and $\dim \mathcal{W} = \dim \mathcal{V} = \dim \mathcal{H}_A \equiv n$.

The unitary transform $U_0: \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ can be extended

up to a unitary transform $U: \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

by following the steps:

- we choose an orthonormal basis $\{|\tilde{\psi}_0\rangle, |\tilde{\psi}_1\rangle, \dots, |\tilde{\psi}_{n-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{V}$ and then extend it up to an orthonormal basis $\{|\tilde{\psi}_0\rangle, |\tilde{\psi}_1\rangle, \dots, |\tilde{\psi}_{n-1}\rangle, \dots, |\tilde{\psi}_{nm-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,
- we extend the orthonormal basis $\{|\tilde{\phi}_0\rangle = U_0 |\tilde{\psi}_0\rangle, |\tilde{\phi}_1\rangle = U_0 |\tilde{\psi}_1\rangle, \dots, |\tilde{\phi}_{n-1}\rangle = U_0 |\tilde{\psi}_{n-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{W}$ up to an orthonormal basis $\{|\tilde{\phi}_0\rangle, |\tilde{\phi}_1\rangle, \dots, |\tilde{\phi}_{n-1}\rangle, \dots, |\tilde{\phi}_{nm-1}\rangle\}$ of $\mathcal{H}_{A'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$,
- we define $U: \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$ as $U\psi_k = \phi_k$.

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“ $\Leftarrow$ ”

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}(\varrho) &= U \varrho U^\dagger \\ &\Downarrow \\ \tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\varrho) &= U^\dagger \varrho U \text{ satisfies} \\ \tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{E}(\varrho)) &= U^\dagger U \varrho U^\dagger U = \varrho.\end{aligned}$$

“ $\Rightarrow$ ”

- If for the channel $\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_j K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger$ there exists a channel $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\varrho) = \sum_k M_k \varrho M_k^\dagger$ such that $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{E}(\varrho)) = \varrho$, for any state ϱ , then $\sum_{j,k} M_k K_j |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| K_j^\dagger M_k^\dagger = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$, for any pure state $|\psi\rangle$.

- Since $M_j N_k |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| N_k^\dagger M_j^\dagger \geq 0$, the relation $\sum_{j,k} M_k K_j |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| K_j^\dagger M_k^\dagger = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$

is a representation of the pure state $|\psi\rangle$ as a convex-linear combination of pure states.

- From **B14** (page 1), it follows that $M_k K_j |\psi\rangle = f_{kj}(\psi) |\psi\rangle$, for any pure state $|\psi\rangle$.
- From **#B1** (page 8), it follows that each of the functions $f_{kj} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a constant function, $f_{kj}(\psi) = \lambda_{kj}$, and $M_k K_j = \lambda_{kj} \mathbb{I}$.

- From the relation

$$\begin{aligned}K_\ell^\dagger K_j &= K_\ell^\dagger \sum_k M_k^\dagger M_k K_j \\ &= \sum_k \lambda_{k\ell}^* \lambda_{kj} \mathbb{I} \equiv \beta_{\ell j} \mathbb{I},\end{aligned}$$

by using the polar decomposition (**#F4**, pag. 8), we get

$$K_j = U_j \sqrt{K_j^\dagger K_j} = \sqrt{\beta_{jj}} U_j$$

and consequently $K_j^\dagger K_j = K_j K_j^\dagger$

$$\begin{aligned}K_\ell^\dagger K_j &= \beta_{\ell j} \mathbb{I} & \sum_j |\beta_{\ell j}|^2 \mathbb{I} &= \sum_j K_\ell^\dagger K_j K_j^\dagger K_\ell \\ &\Downarrow & & \\ U_j &= \frac{\beta_{\ell j}}{\sqrt{\beta_{\ell\ell} \beta_{jj}}} U_\ell & &= \sum_j K_\ell^\dagger K_j^\dagger K_j K_\ell \\ &\Downarrow & & \\ K_j &= \frac{\beta_{\ell j}}{\sqrt{\beta_{\ell\ell}}} U_\ell & &= K_\ell^\dagger K_\ell \\ & & &= \beta_{\ell\ell} \mathbb{I}.\end{aligned}$$

- The channel $\mathcal{E}$ can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{E}(\varrho) = \sum_j K_j \varrho K_j^\dagger = \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell\ell}} \sum_j |\beta_{\ell j}|^2 U_\ell \varrho U_\ell^\dagger = U_\ell \varrho U_\ell^\dagger.$$

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.....**m-1** We have

$${}_B \langle k|U|\psi\omega\rangle = {}_B \langle k|\sum_{\ell=0}^{m-1} M_\ell |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \otimes |\ell\rangle = M_k |\psi\rangle.$$

In the case of a density operator

$$\varrho_A = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger \mathbb{I} \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|) &\Downarrow \text{D19} \\ &= \text{tr}_A ({}_B \langle k|U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &= \text{tr}_A ({}_B \langle k|U \varrho_A \otimes \varrho_B U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A ({}_B \langle k|U |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| \otimes |\omega\rangle\langle\omega| U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &\Downarrow \text{D13} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A ({}_B \langle k|U |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| U^\dagger |k\rangle_B) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j \text{tr}_A (M_k |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| M_k^\dagger) \\ &= \text{tr}_A (M_k \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda_j |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j| M_k^\dagger) \\ &= \text{tr}_A (M_k \varrho_A M_k^\dagger) = p_k,\end{aligned}$$

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By changing the basis $|j\rangle = \sum_k S_{jk} |k\rangle_1$, we get

$$U(|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \sum_j M_j |\psi\rangle \otimes |n\rangle = \sum_k N_k |\psi\rangle \otimes |k\rangle_1,$$

with the new Kraus operators $N_k = \sum_j S_{jk} M_j$.

Additional definitions/results

#1

We have

$$\begin{aligned} A(\alpha v) &= f(\alpha v) \alpha v, \\ \alpha A v &= f(\alpha v) \alpha v, \\ \alpha f(v) v &= f(\alpha v) \alpha v, \\ &\Downarrow \text{for } \alpha \neq 0 \text{ and } v \neq 0 \\ f(\alpha v) &= f(v). \end{aligned}$$

If the vectors v and w are linearly independent, then

$$\begin{aligned} A(v+w) &= A v + A w \\ f(v+w)(v+w) &= f(v) v + f(w) w \\ &\Downarrow \\ \begin{cases} f(v+w) = f(v) \\ f(v+w) = f(w) \end{cases} \\ &\Downarrow \\ f(v) &= f(w). \end{aligned}$$

If $\{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ is a basis of $\mathcal{V}$, then

$$f(v_0) = f(v_1) = \dots = f(v_{n-1})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} A \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j v_j &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j A v_j \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j f(v_j) v_j \\ &= f(v_0) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j v_j. \end{aligned}$$

#5

If $\{|e_j\rangle\}$ is an orthonormal basis, then

$$\begin{aligned} \|A x\| &= \|A(\sum |e_j\rangle\langle e_j|x\rangle)\| \\ &= \sum |\langle e_j|x\rangle| \|A|e_j\rangle\| \\ &\leq \sqrt{\sum |\langle e_j|x\rangle|^2} \sqrt{\sum \|A|e_j\rangle\|^2} \\ &\leq \|x\| \sqrt{\sum \|A|e_j\rangle\|^2} \\ &= C \|x\|. \end{aligned}$$

#8

$$\begin{aligned} (e^A)^\dagger &= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k}{k!} \right)^\dagger = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{A^k}{k!} \right)^\dagger \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{A^{\dagger k}}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^{\dagger k}}{k!} = e^{A^\dagger}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$(e^{iA})^\dagger e^{iA} = e^{-iA^\dagger} e^{iA} = e^0 = \mathbb{I}.$$

#10

$$\begin{aligned} (F^\dagger F)[\varphi](k) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} k j} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n} j m} \varphi(m) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} (k-m) j} \varphi(m) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n} (k-m) j} \right)^j \varphi(m) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} n \delta_{km} \varphi(m) = \varphi(k). \end{aligned}$$

#11

$$\varphi \otimes \psi: \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1, \quad \text{is anti-linear, for any } \varphi \in \mathcal{H}_1, \psi \in \mathcal{H}_2.$$

These particular operators span the considered space,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi_1 + \varphi_2) \otimes \psi &= \varphi_1 \otimes \psi + \varphi_2 \otimes \psi \\ \varphi \otimes (\psi_1 + \psi_2) &= \varphi \otimes \psi_1 + \varphi \otimes \psi_2 \\ \lambda(\varphi \otimes \psi) &= (\lambda \varphi) \otimes \psi = \varphi \otimes (\lambda \psi). \end{aligned}$$

#12

Since $|u_i v_j\rangle \langle u_i v_j| = |u_i\rangle \langle u_i| \otimes |v_j\rangle \langle v_j|$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^k |u_i\rangle \langle u_i| = \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}_1} &\quad \sum_{j=1}^\ell |v_j\rangle \langle v_j| = \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}_2} \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^\ell |u_i v_j\rangle \langle u_i v_j| &= \sum_{i=1}^k |u_i\rangle \langle u_i| \otimes \sum_{j=1}^\ell |v_j\rangle \langle v_j| \\ &= \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}_1} \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}_2} = \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2}. \end{aligned}$$

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The superposition (liniar combination) of states

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k |\psi_k\rangle$$

is a pure state with the density operator

$$\varrho = |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| = \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k|^2 |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_k| + \sum_{k \neq j} c_k \bar{c}_j |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_j|.$$

The second sum contains the *interference terms*.

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Example. Representations as a probabilistic ensemble of pure states of the maximally mixed state of a qubit:

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow & \begin{aligned} \bullet \varrho &= \frac{1}{2} |0\rangle \langle 0| + \frac{1}{2} |1\rangle \langle 1|, \\ \bullet \varrho &= \frac{1}{2} |+\rangle \langle +| + \frac{1}{2} |-\rangle \langle -|, \\ \bullet \varrho &= \frac{1}{2} |\uparrow_y\rangle \langle \uparrow_y| + \frac{1}{2} |\downarrow_y\rangle \langle \downarrow_y|, \\ \bullet \varrho &= \frac{1}{4} |0\rangle \langle 0| + \frac{1}{4} |1\rangle \langle 1| \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4} |+\rangle \langle +| + \frac{1}{4} |-\rangle \langle -|, \\ \bullet \text{etc.} \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

#15

$\varrho^\dagger = \varrho \Rightarrow \varrho$ is diagonalizable, that is, there exists an orthonormal basis $\{|\psi_k\rangle\}$ such that

$$\varrho = \sum_{k=1}^n p_k |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_k|.$$

$$\varrho \geq 0 \Rightarrow p_k = \langle \psi_k | \varrho | \psi_k \rangle \geq 0.$$

$$\text{tr } \varrho = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n p_k = \text{tr } \varrho = 1.$$

#16

$$\begin{aligned} i \frac{\partial |\psi\rangle}{\partial t} &= H |\psi\rangle \Rightarrow -i \frac{\partial \langle \psi|}{\partial t} = \langle \psi| H \\ \Rightarrow i \frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t} &= \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} p_k i \frac{\partial |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_k|}{\partial t} - \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} p_k |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_k| i \frac{\partial \langle \psi_k|}{\partial t}, \\ i \frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t} &= \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} p_k H |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_k| - \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} p_k |\psi_k\rangle \langle \psi_k| H, \\ i \frac{\partial \varrho}{\partial t} \varrho &= H \varrho - \varrho H. \end{aligned}$$

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