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Abstract:

Composite Systems & Entanglement

\mathcal{H}_A for system A
& \mathcal{H}_B " " B
Then $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

$$|f\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A$$

$$|g\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_B$$

$$|X\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$$

O.N. basis for \mathcal{H}_A

$$\{|a_i\rangle\}$$

O.N. basis for \mathcal{H}_B

$$\{|b_k\rangle\}$$

Then we can construct
an O.N product basis
for \mathcal{H} as follows

$$\{ |a_\ell\rangle \otimes |b_k\rangle \}$$

$$\ell \in \{1, \dots, \dim(\mathcal{H}_A)\}$$

$$k \in \{1, \dots, \dim(\mathcal{H}_B)\}$$

• A state in \mathcal{H}
of the form
 $|w\rangle = |\psi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle$
is a product state

• An arbitrary state
 $|x\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$ admits

$$|x\rangle = \sum_{\ell, k} c_{\ell k} |a_\ell\rangle \otimes |b_k\rangle$$

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Representations

Given some O.N. basis for \mathcal{H}_A

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{e=1}^{\dim(\mathcal{H}_A)} \psi_e |a_e\rangle$$

$$\psi_e \equiv \langle a_e | \psi \rangle$$

→ $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$

Similarly

$$|\phi\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{\dim(\mathcal{H}_B)} \phi_k |b_k\rangle$$

$$\mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi_k = \langle b_k | \phi \rangle$$

Tensor Product

$$|\psi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle \mapsto$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \\ \\ \end{pmatrix}$$

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Analogy to classical probability.



A



B

Probability
Vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ \vdots \\ p_6 \end{pmatrix}$$

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for H_A
 $\{|b_k\rangle\}$

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$|X\rangle \in H$ admits

$$|X\rangle = \sum_{l,k} c_{l,k} |a_l\rangle \otimes |b_k\rangle$$

$$\textcircled{3} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_{11} & p_{12} \\ p_{21} & p_{22} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ p_{n1} & p_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

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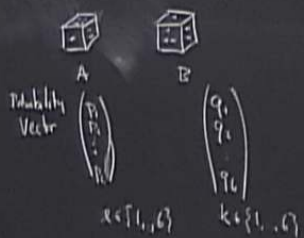
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Density operators & mixed states

Axiom 1:

Ideal preparations
(q states)

are rank-1 projectors.

Given $|x\rangle$, \mathbb{I}
can construct the
p. state operator

$$\hat{P} = |x\rangle\langle x|$$

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2 paradigms
that require more
general kinds of
q. state operators.

Suppose I have
 evidence that
 prepares $|x_i\rangle$
 with probability p_i
 Suppose a measurement

$$\hat{A} = \sum_x a_x |a_x\rangle\langle a_x|$$

Outcome probability for case i .

$$Pr(a_x | i) = Tr(|x_i\rangle\langle x_i| |a_x\rangle\langle a_x|)$$

So clearly $Pr(a_x)$ not conditioned on i ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Pr(a_x) &= \sum_i p_i Pr(a_x | i) \\
 &= \sum_i p_i Tr(|x_i\rangle\langle x_i| |a_x\rangle\langle a_x|) \\
 &= Tr\left[\left(\sum_i p_i |x_i\rangle\langle x_i|\right) |a_x\rangle\langle a_x|\right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose I have
a device that
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$$= Tr\left[\left(\sum_i p_i |x_i\rangle\langle x_i|\right) |a_e\rangle\langle a_e|\right]$$

Identify $\hat{\rho} = \sum_i p_i |\chi_i\rangle\langle\chi_i|$

↳ a density operator.

- A general q state / preparation is a density operator.
- A density operator is a non-negative linear operator satisfying $\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho})=1$.

$$p_i = |\langle \chi_i | \chi \rangle|^2$$

density operator

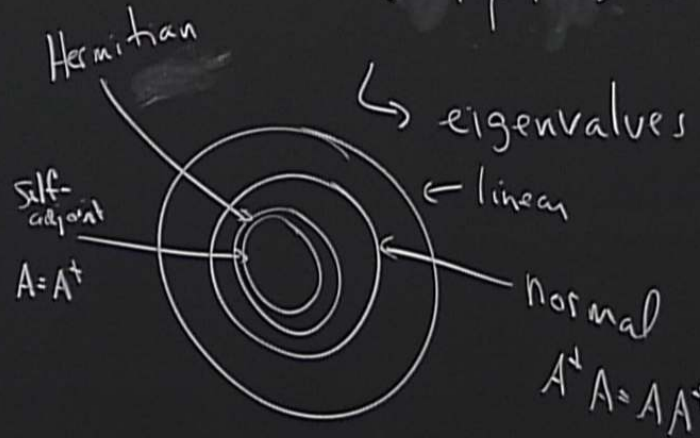
/preparation operator

is a non-negative operator satisfying $\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = 1$.

A non-negative linear operator $\hat{\rho}$ satisfies

$$\langle \omega | \hat{\rho} | \omega \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall |\omega\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$$

↳ eigenvalues are all non-negative.



Hermitian

$$\langle \hat{A}\phi, \psi \rangle = \langle \phi, \hat{A}\psi \rangle$$

$$\forall |\psi\rangle, |\phi\rangle \in \mathcal{D}(\hat{A})$$

Self-adjoint

$$A^{\dagger} = A \iff \begin{array}{l} \text{(i) Hermitian} \\ \text{(ii) } \mathcal{D}(\hat{A}) \\ \quad = \mathcal{D}(\hat{A}^{\dagger}) \end{array}$$

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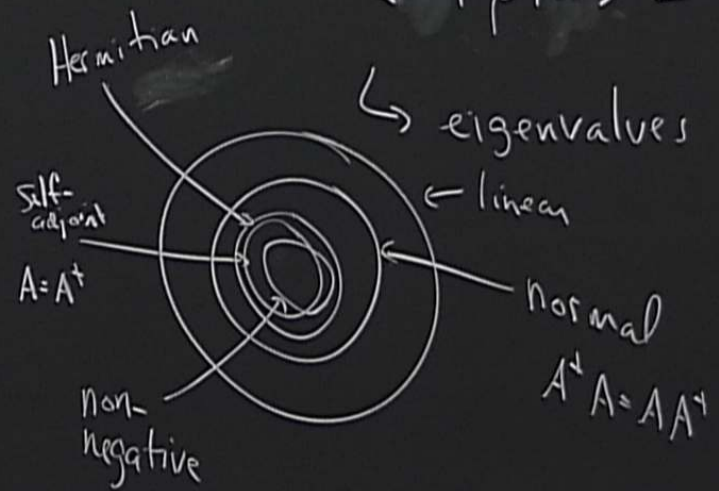
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Bonus Question

Verify the conditions under which non-negative implies Hermitian, & update wikipedia if appropriate.

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ii) Suppose I have systems
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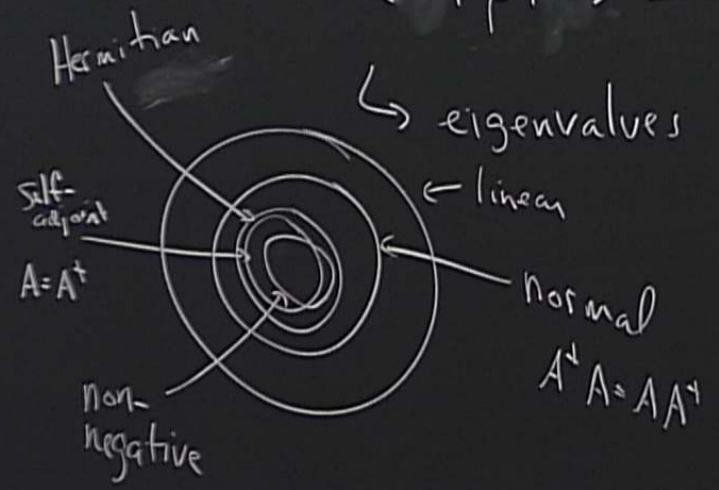
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$$\text{Tr}(|x\rangle\langle x| (A \otimes \mathbb{1}))$$

$$\text{Tr}(|x\rangle\langle x| (|a\rangle\langle a| \otimes \mathbb{1}))$$

Recall, given $\hat{p}^A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{U}_A)$

$$\hat{p}^A \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} p_{11}^A & p_{12}^A & p_{13}^A \\ p_{21}^A & p_{22}^A & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

where $p_{ij}^A = \langle a_i | \hat{p}^A | a_j \rangle$

$$\langle \hat{A} \otimes \mathbb{1}_B \rangle = \sum_{\substack{e', k' \\ e, k}} \langle a_{e'} | \otimes \langle b_{k'} | \hat{A} \otimes \hat{\mathbb{1}}_B | a_e, b_k \rangle \langle a_e, b_k | \rho \rangle \langle a_{e'} | \otimes | b_{k'} \rangle$$

where

$$\hat{\mathbb{1}}_{AB} = \sum_{e, k} |a_e, b_k\rangle \langle a_e, b_k|$$

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$$= \sum_{\substack{l, k \\ l', k'}} A_{l', l} \delta_{k, k'} \rho_{lk, l'k'}^{AB}$$

$$= \sum_{l, l'} A_{l', l} \left(\underbrace{\sum_{k, k'} \rho_{lk, l'k'}^{AB}}_{\equiv \rho_{ll'}^A} \right)$$

$$\rho^{AB} = |x\rangle\langle x|$$

$$= \text{Tr}(\hat{A} \rho^A)$$

$$= \sum_{l, l'} \langle a_{l'} | \hat{A} | a_l \rangle \langle a_{l'} | \rho^A | a_l \rangle$$

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We find we can
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where Tr_B is called partial
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i) $\text{Tr}(\cdot) : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

ii) $\text{Tr}_B(\cdot) : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}_A)$

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The set of objects $\{\rho^A\}$ obtained via partial trace is the set of density operators.

probability.

Joint prob

vector $\begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 q_1 \\ p_1 q_2 \\ \vdots \\ p_2 q_1 \\ p_2 q_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$

Joint prob of one outcome on each die

If $\hat{\rho} = (|4\rangle\langle 4|) \otimes (|4\rangle\langle 4|)$
 then $\hat{\rho}_A = \text{Tr}_B(\hat{\rho}) = |4\rangle\langle 4|$

$\in \{1, \dots, 6\}$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right) \otimes \left(\begin{array}{c} p_1 q_1 \\ p_1 q_2 \\ \vdots \\ p_1 q_n \\ p_2 q_1 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right)$$

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Pure states are defined by 3 equivalent conditions

(i) $\hat{\rho} = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$
for some $|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$

(ii) $\hat{\rho}^2 = \hat{\rho}$, (iii) $\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}^2) = 1$.