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Problem Set 2

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1. Using the tests of purity verify if the following density matrices are pure

$$a) \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b) \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d) \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Calculate the Von Neumann entropy of the following two qubit states.

$$a) |\phi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$b) |\phi\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$c) |\phi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + i|11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$d) |\phi\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle + i|10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

3. Similar to two level system (qubit), we can have a three level system known as qutrit. The basis states of a qutrit are

$$|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; |2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

For these states write the matrix form of

$$a) |\psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle + |22\rangle)$$

$$b) |\psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(-2|00\rangle + |11\rangle + |22\rangle)$$

And calculate the reduced density matrices of ρ_a and ρ_b . (Hint: $\rho_{AB} = |\psi_0\rangle\langle\psi_0|$ and $\rho_a = \text{Tr}_b(\rho_{ab})$)

4. Calculate the Von Neumann entropy of the following states and their reduced states.

$$a) |\psi\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle - |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}};$$

$$b) |\chi\rangle = |++\rangle \text{ where } |+\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Calculate $S(\rho_a)$ and $S(\rho_b)$, the entropy of the reduced states ρ_a and ρ_b .

5. Show that for a pure bipartite separable state $|\psi_{ab}\rangle = |\psi_a\rangle \otimes |\psi_b\rangle$ implies $\rho_{ab} = \rho_a \otimes \rho_b$

6. Show that if U and V are unitary, then $(U \otimes V)$ is also unitary.

7. Which of the following state vectors are valid representation of a qubit?

$$a) 0.70|0\rangle + 0.3|1\rangle$$

b) $\cos^2 x |0\rangle - \sin^2 x |1\rangle$

c) $0.8|0\rangle + 0.6|1\rangle$

8. Measurement is made on each of the following qubits. What are the probabilities that qubits are in state $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$?

a) $\frac{i|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

b) $\frac{(1+i)|0\rangle + i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{3}}$

c) $\frac{|0\rangle + 2|1\rangle}{\sqrt{5}}$

9. Assume that the second qubit of the state is $|\psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}}(|00\rangle + 2i|01\rangle - 3|10\rangle - 4i|11\rangle)$ is measured and observed to be in state $|1\rangle$. What is the probability that a subsequent measurement of the first qubit will yield $|1\rangle$?