

EE 880 Homework 6

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10.2

Exercise 10.2: The action of the bit flip channel can be described by the quantum operation $\mathcal{E}(\rho) = (1-p)\rho + pX\rho X$. Show that this may be given an alternate operator-sum representation, as $\mathcal{E}(\rho) = (1-2p)\rho + 2pP_+\rho P_+ + 2pP_-\rho P_-$ where P_+ and P_- are projectors onto the $+1$ and -1 eigenstates of X , $(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ and $(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$, respectively. This latter representation can be understood as a model in which the qubit is left alone with probability $1-2p$, and is 'measured' by the environment in the $|+\rangle, |-\rangle$ basis with probability $2p$.

we know

$$P_+ = |+\rangle\langle +|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\langle 0| + \langle 1|)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1|}_{\mathbb{I}} + \underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0|}_{X} \right)$$

$$\therefore P_+ = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{I} + X) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

similarly ;

$$P_- = |-\rangle\langle -|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\langle 0| - \langle 1|)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 0|}_{+\mathbb{I}} - \underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0|}_{-X} + \underbrace{|1\rangle\langle 1|}_{+\mathbb{I}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{I} - X) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\therefore \mathcal{E}(\rho) = (1-2p)\rho + 2pP_+\rho P_+ + 2pP_-\rho P_- \quad \text{--- (Given) (3)}$$

substituting eq (1) & (2) gives us

$$= (1-2p)\rho + 2p\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I}+X)\right)\rho\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I}+X)\right) + 2p\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I}-X)\right)\rho\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I}-X)\right)$$

$$= (1-2p)\rho + \frac{p}{2}(\mathbb{I}+X)(\rho + \rho X) + \frac{p}{2}(\mathbb{I}-X)(\rho - \rho X)$$

$$= (1-2p)\rho + \left[\frac{p}{2}(\rho + \rho X + \rho X + X\rho X) \right] + \frac{p}{2}(\rho - \rho X - X\rho + X\rho X)$$

$$= P - 2PP + \frac{P}{2} (P + P + \cancel{Px} - \cancel{Px} + \cancel{XP} - \cancel{XP} + XPX + XPX)$$

$$= P - 2PP + \frac{P}{2} [2P + 2XPX]$$

$$= P - 2PP + PP + PXPX$$

$$= P - PP + PXPX \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

However, it is also given that:

$$E(P) = (1-P)P + PXPX$$

$$= P - PP + PXPX \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

\therefore from (4) & (5), we can conclude that the given both representations are the same.

10.3

Exercise 10.3: Show by explicit calculation that measuring $Z_1 Z_2$ followed by $Z_2 Z_3$ is equivalent, up to labeling of the measurement outcomes, to measuring the four projectors defined by (10.5)–(10.8), in the sense that both procedures result in the same measurement statistics and post-measurement states.

$$P_0 \equiv |000\rangle\langle 000| + |111\rangle\langle 111| \text{ no error} \quad (10.5)$$

$$P_1 \equiv |100\rangle\langle 100| + |011\rangle\langle 011| \text{ bit flip on qubit one} \quad (10.6)$$

$$P_2 \equiv |010\rangle\langle 010| + |101\rangle\langle 101| \text{ bit flip on qubit two} \quad (10.7)$$

$$P_3 \equiv |001\rangle\langle 001| + |110\rangle\langle 110| \text{ bit flip on qubit three.} \quad (10.8)$$

$$\therefore (Z_1 Z_2)_+ = (|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|) \otimes I$$

$$(Z_1 Z_2)_- = (|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|) \otimes I$$

$$(Z_2 Z_3)_+ = I \otimes (|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|)$$

$$(Z_2 Z_3)_- = I \otimes (|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|)$$

$$\therefore \text{measurement operator} = (Z_2 Z_3) (Z_1 Z_2),$$

Possible outcomes: —

- ① $(Z_2 Z_3)^+ (Z_1 Z_2)^+$
- ② $(Z_2 Z_3)^+ (Z_1 Z_2)^-$
- ③ $(Z_2 Z_3)^- (Z_1 Z_2)^+$
- ④ $(Z_2 Z_3)^- (Z_1 Z_2)^-$

$$\text{Now, } (Z_2 Z_3)_+ (Z_1 Z_2)_+ = [I \otimes (|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|)] [(|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|) \otimes I]$$

$$= |000\rangle\langle 000| + |111\rangle\langle 111|$$

$$= P_0 \quad \text{—————} \quad \text{①}$$

$$\text{Now, } (Z_2 Z_3)_+ (Z_1 Z_2)_- = [I \otimes (|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|)] [(|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|) \otimes I]$$

$$= |100\rangle\langle 100| + |011\rangle\langle 011|$$

$$= P_1 \quad \text{—————} \quad \text{②}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } (Z_2 Z_3)_- (Z_1 Z_2)_+ &= \left[I \otimes (|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|) \right] \left[(|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|) \otimes I \right] \\
 &= |001\rangle\langle 001| + |110\rangle\langle 110| \\
 &= P_3 \quad \text{—————} \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } (Z_2 Z_3)_- (Z_1 Z_2)_- &= \left[I \otimes (|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|) \right] \left[(|01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|) \otimes I \right] \\
 &= |010\rangle\langle 010| + |101\rangle\langle 101| \\
 &= P_2 \quad \text{—————} \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore from (1), (2), (3) & (4), we showed that,

measuring $Z_1 Z_2$ followed by $Z_2 Z_3$ is same as measuring projectors defined in eq (10.5)–(10.8)

10.5

Exercise 10.5: Show that the syndrome measurement for detecting phase flip errors in the Shor code corresponds to measuring the observables $X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5 X_6$ and $X_4 X_5 X_6 X_7 X_8 X_9$.

codeword's for Shor's code are:

$$|0_L\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$|1_L\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} (|000\rangle - |111\rangle) (|000\rangle - |111\rangle) (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

Given: $M_1 = X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5 X_6$

$$M_2 = X_4 X_5 X_6 X_7 X_8 X_9$$

E_1 = phase - flip error on 1st block.

Say E_1 occurs. Then:

$$|0'_L\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle - |111\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$|1'_L\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) (|000\rangle - |111\rangle) (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

$$\therefore M_1 |0'_L\rangle = X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5 X_6 |0'_L\rangle$$

$$= (|111\rangle - |000\rangle) (|111\rangle + |000\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle) (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$= -|0_L\rangle$$

$$\text{Now, } M_2 |0_L'\rangle = X_4 X_5 X_6 X_7 X_8 X_9 |0_L'\rangle$$

$$= (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle) / 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$= |0_L\rangle$$

$$\text{Similarly, } M_1 |1_L'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} (|111\rangle + |000\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

$$= -|1_L\rangle$$

$$\& \text{ also } M_2 |1_L'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)$$

$$= |1_L\rangle$$

$$\therefore \text{ For } E_1, \quad M_1 = -1$$

$$M_2 = +1$$

E_2 = phase - flip error on 2nd block.

Say E_2 occurs. Then :

$$|0_L'\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$|1_L'\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

$$\therefore M_1 |0_L'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} (|111\rangle + |000\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$= -|0_L\rangle$$

$$\therefore M_1 |1'_L\rangle = (|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|111\rangle + |000\rangle)(|100\rangle - |111\rangle) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= -|1_L\rangle$$

$$\therefore M_2 |0'_L\rangle = (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|111\rangle + |000\rangle) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= -|0'_L\rangle$$

$$\therefore M_2 |1'_L\rangle = (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|111\rangle + |000\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= -|1_L\rangle$$

$$\therefore \text{for } E_2 : \begin{matrix} M_1 = -1 \\ M_2 = -1 \end{matrix}$$

Now,

E_3 = phase-flip error on 3rd block.

Say E_3 occurs. Then:

$$|0'_L\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

$$|1'_L\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$\therefore M_1 |0'_L\rangle = (|111\rangle + |000\rangle)(|111\rangle + |000\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}$$

$$= |0_L\rangle$$

$$\therefore M_1 |1'_L\rangle = (|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|111\rangle + |000\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}$$

$$= |1_L\rangle$$

$$\& M_2 |0_L'\rangle = (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \\ = -|0_L'\rangle$$

$$M_2 |1_L'\rangle = (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|111\rangle - |000\rangle)(|111\rangle + |000\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \\ = -|1_L'\rangle$$

$$\therefore \text{for } E_3, \quad M_1 = +1 \\ M_2 = -1$$

→ Hence we have showed measurement for detecting bit flip, be 1st, 2nd or 3rd corresponds to measuring the observable, $x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 \leftarrow x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_8 x_9$

10.6

Exercise 10.6: Show that recovery from a phase flip on any of the first three qubits may be accomplished by applying the operator $Z_1 Z_2 Z_3$.

Phase flip on any of the first three qubits is given by — say E_1 (qes 10.5)

$$\text{for } E_1, \quad |0'_L\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

$$|1'_L\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

\therefore Now, say $\mathcal{Z} = Z_1 Z_2 Z_3$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z} |0'_L\rangle &= (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)(|000\rangle + |111\rangle) / 2\sqrt{2} \\ &= |0_L\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \& \quad \mathcal{Z} |1'_L\rangle &= (|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle)(|000\rangle - |111\rangle) \\ &= |1_L\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we showed that by applying \mathcal{Z} , i.e.

$Z_1 Z_2 Z_3$, we can do recovery on phase flip on any of the first three qubits.

10.8

Exercise 10.8: Verify that the three qubit phase flip code

$|0_L\rangle = |+++ \rangle, |1_L\rangle = |-- \rangle$ satisfies the quantum error-correction conditions for the set of error operators $\{I, Z_1, Z_2, Z_3\}$.

Given code : $P = |+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|$

$$E = \{I, Z_1, Z_2, Z_3\}$$

$$PIZ_1P = PZ_1P = PZ_1(|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) \\ = P(|-++ \rangle \langle -++| + |+- \rangle \langle +-|)$$

$$= (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|)(|-++ \rangle \langle -++| + |+- \rangle \langle +-|) \\ = 0$$

Similarly,

$$PIZ_2P = PZ_2P = PZ_2(|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) \\ = (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|)(|++- \rangle \langle ++-| + |-+- \rangle \langle -+-|) \\ = 0$$

Similarly,

$$PIZ_3P = PZ_3P = PZ_3(|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) \\ = (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|)(|++- \rangle \langle ++-| + |-+- \rangle \langle -+-|) \\ = 0$$

Also, $PIIP = PI^2P = PP = P^2 = P$

& also $PZ_1IP = PZ_1P = 0$
 $PZ_2IP = PZ_2P = 0$
 $PZ_3IP = PZ_3P = 0$ } shown above.

Now, $PZ_1Z_1P = PZ_1^2P = PIP = P^2 = P$

Similarly, $PZ_2Z_2P = PZ_2^2P = P$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } P Z_1 Z_2 P &= P Z_1 Z_2 (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |--+ \rangle \langle --+|) \\
 &= P (|--+ \rangle \langle --+| + |+-+ \rangle \langle +-+|) \rightarrow \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \text{some} \\ \text{as } P Z_3 P \end{smallmatrix} \right) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore P Z_i Z_j P &= 0 \quad \text{--- given } i \neq j \\
 \text{if } i &= j, \quad P Z_i Z_i P = P
 \end{aligned}$$

The quantum EC condition is $P E_i^\dagger E_j P = \alpha_{ij} P \quad \forall i, j$

\uparrow Hermitian

Here ! $\alpha =$

	I	Z_1	Z_2	Z_3
I	1	0	0	0
Z_1	0	1	0	0
Z_2	0	0	1	0
Z_3	0	0	0	1

$\rightarrow = I.$
 $\therefore I$ is hermitian

It has been verified that given code satisfies the quantum EC conditions for set of errors : $\{I, Z_1, Z_2, Z_3\}$

10.9

Exercise 10.9: Again, consider the three qubit phase flip code. Let P_i and Q_i be the projectors onto the $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ states, respectively, of the i th qubit. Prove that the three qubit phase flip code protects against the error set $\{I, P_1, Q_1, P_2, Q_2, P_3, Q_3\}$.

$$P_i = |0\rangle\langle 0|_i, \quad E = \{I, P_1, Q_1, P_2, Q_2, P_3, Q_3\}$$

$$Q_i = |1\rangle\langle 1|_i$$

Given code : $P = |+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|$

Now, $P I P = P I^2 P = P$

$$P P_1 P = P P_1^2 P = P P_1 P$$

$$= P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_1) (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|)$$

$$= (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0++ \rangle \langle 0++| + |0-- \rangle \langle 0--|)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) = \frac{1}{2} P$$

Now,

$$P P_2 P = P P_2^2 P = P P_2 P$$

$$= P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_2) (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|)$$

$$= (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+0+ \rangle \langle +0+| + |-0- \rangle \langle -0-|)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (|+++ \rangle \langle +++| + |-- \rangle \langle --|) = \frac{1}{2} P$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P P_2 P_3 P &= P P_3^2 P = P P_3 P \\ &= P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_3) (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \\ &= (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|++0 \rangle\langle ++0| + |--0 \rangle\langle --0|) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) = \frac{1}{2} P \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for Q , we can say:

$$P Q_1 Q_2 P = P Q_2 Q_2 P = P Q_3 Q_2 P = \frac{1}{2} P$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } P P_1 P_2 P &= P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_1) (|0\rangle\langle 0|_2) (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \\ &= (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (|00+ \rangle\langle 00+| + |00- \rangle\langle 00-|) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} P \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } P P_2 P_3 P &= P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_2) (|0\rangle\langle 0|_3) (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \\ &= (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (|+00 \rangle\langle +00| + |-00 \rangle\langle -00|) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} P \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } P P_1 P_3 P &= P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_1) (|0\rangle\langle 0|_3) (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \\ &= (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |-- \rangle\langle --|) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (|+0+ \rangle\langle +0+| + |+0- \rangle\langle +0-|) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} P \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can show: $P Q_1 Q_2 P = P Q_2 Q_2 P = P Q_3 Q_2 P = \frac{1}{4} P$

$$\text{Also, } P P_i Q_j P = P (|0\rangle\langle 0|_i) (|1\rangle\langle 1|_j) (|+++ \rangle\langle +++| + |--- \rangle\langle ---|) \\ = 0$$

$$\therefore P P_i Q_j P = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha =$$

	I	P_1	Q_1	P_2	Q_2	P_3	Q_3
I	1	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$	$1/2$
P_1	$1/2$	$1/2$	0	$1/4$	0	$1/4$	0
Q_1	$1/2$	0	$1/2$	0	$1/4$	0	$1/4$
P_2	$1/2$	$1/4$	0	$1/2$	0	$1/4$	0
Q_2	$1/2$	0	$1/4$	0	$1/2$	0	$1/4$
P_3	$1/2$	$1/4$	0	$1/4$	0	$1/2$	0
Q_3	$1/2$	0	$1/4$	0	$1/4$	0	$1/2$

we can clearly see that $\alpha = \alpha^\dagger$. $\therefore \alpha$ is hermitian

\rightarrow Hence we have proved that 3 qubit phase flip code protect against - $\{I, P_1, Q_1, P_2, Q_2, P_3, Q_3\}$