

### Exercise 9.1

$$D((1, 0), (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) = \frac{1}{2} * 2 * \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$D((\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}), (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{24} + \frac{1}{24}) = \frac{1}{4}$$

### Exercise 9.2

$$D((p, 1-p), (q, 1-q)) = \frac{1}{2}(|p-q| + |1-p-1+q|) = \frac{1}{2}(|p-q| + |p-q|) = |p-q|$$

### Exercise 9.3

$$F((1, 0), (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$F((\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}), (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{24}} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{48}} = 0.96$$

### Exercise 9.4

$$D(p_x, q_x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_x |p_x - q_x| = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{p_x > q_x} (p_x - q_x) - \sum_{p_x < q_x} (p_x - q_x) \right)$$

$$\sum_{p_x < q_x} (p_x - q_x) = \sum_{p_x < q_x} p_x - \sum_{p_x < q_x} q_x = 1 - \sum_{p_x > q_x} p_x - 1 + \sum_{p_x > q_x} q_x = - \sum_{p_x > q_x} (p_x - q_x)$$

Therefore,

$$D(p_x, q_x) = \sum_{p_x > q_x} (p_x - q_x)$$

Looking at the last term, if we add an other  $(p_{x'}, q_{x'})$  pair to the sum, the overall sum will decrease as  $(p_{x'} - q_{x'})$  is negative. Hence,

$$D(p_x, q_x) = \sum_{p_x > q_x} (p_x - q_x) = \max_S \left| \sum_{x \in S} (p_x - q_x) \right|$$

### Exercise 9.5

### Exercise 9.6

$$D\left(\frac{3}{4}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{4}|1\rangle\langle 1|, \frac{2}{3}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{3}|1\rangle\langle 1|\right) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left| \frac{1}{12}|0\rangle\langle 0| - \frac{1}{12}|1\rangle\langle 1| \right| = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$D\left(\frac{3}{4}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{4}|1\rangle\langle 1|, \frac{2}{3}|+\rangle\langle +| + \frac{1}{3}|-\rangle\langle -|\right) =$$

$$= D\left(\frac{3}{4}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{4}|1\rangle\langle 1|, \frac{1}{2}(|0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1|) + \frac{1}{6}(|0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0|)\right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left| \frac{1}{4}|0\rangle\langle 0| - \frac{1}{4}|1\rangle\langle 1| + \frac{1}{6}(|0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0|) \right| = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{12}$$

### Exercise 9.7

Let  $\rho - \sigma = UDU^\dagger = U(\Lambda_+ + \Lambda_-)U^\dagger$ , where  $\Lambda_+$  and  $\Lambda_-$  are the diagonal matrices of the positive and negative eigenvalues of  $\rho - \sigma$ .

Hence, we can write

$\rho - \sigma = U\Lambda_+U^\dagger + U\Lambda_-U^\dagger = Q - S$ , where  $Q = U\Lambda_+U^\dagger$  and  $S = -U\Lambda_-U^\dagger$  are positive operators, with their support being the partial eigenbasis of  $\rho - \sigma$ , which is orthogonal.

### Exercise 9.8

Using  $\sum_i p_i = 1$  we have,

$$D\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i, \sigma\right) = D\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i, \sum_i p_i \sigma\right)$$

From eq 9.50  $\left(D\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i, \sum_i p_i \sigma\right) \leq \sum_i p_i D(\rho_i, \sigma_i)\right)$ , it follows that,

$$D\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i, \sigma\right) = D\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i, \sum_i p_i \sigma\right) \leq \sum_i p_i D(\rho_i, \sigma)$$

### Exercise 9.9

The set of the density matrices(positive, trace one, Hermitian) is convex and compact. Hence, as the CPTP maps are continuous, they have a fixed point.

### Exercise 9.10

Let  $\rho$  and  $\sigma, \rho \neq \sigma$  both be fixed points of  $\mathcal{E}$ . Therefore,  $D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) = D(\rho, \sigma)$  from the definition of a fixed point. However,  $D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) < D(\rho, \sigma)$ , hence we have a contradiction, therefore,  $\rho = \sigma$ , i.e there's a unique fixed point.

### Exercise 9.11

$$\begin{aligned} D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) &= D(p\rho_0 + (1-p)\mathcal{E}'(\rho), p\rho_0 + (1-p)\mathcal{E}'(\sigma)) \\ &\leq pD(\rho_0, \rho_0) + (1-p)D(\mathcal{E}'(\rho), \mathcal{E}'(\sigma)) \\ &\leq (1-p)D(\rho, \sigma) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, as  $0 \leq (1-p) < 1$ , we have  $D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) < D(\rho, \sigma)$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{E}$  is strictly contractive.

### Exercise 9.12

$$\begin{aligned} D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left| \frac{pI}{2} - (1-p)\rho - \frac{pI}{2} + (1-p)\sigma \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1-p) \text{tr} |\rho - \sigma| \\ &= (1-p) D(\rho, \sigma) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, as  $0 \leq (1-p) < 1$ , we have  $D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) < D(\rho, \sigma)$ .

### Exercise 9.13

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = p\rho + (1-p)X\rho X$$

Using that  $D(X\rho X, X\sigma X) = D(\rho, \sigma)$  ( $X$  unitary) and Theorem 9.3, i.e.

$$D\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i, \sum_i p_i \sigma_i\right) \leq \sum_i p_i D(\rho_i, \sigma_i)$$

we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
D(\mathcal{E}(\rho), \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) &= D(p\rho + (1-p)X\rho X, p\sigma + (1-p)X\sigma X) \\
&\leq pD(\rho, \sigma) + (1-p)D(X\rho X, X\sigma X) \\
&= pD(\rho, \sigma) + (1-p)D(\rho, \sigma) = D(\rho, \sigma)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\mathcal{E}$  is contractive but not strictly contractive.

### Exercise 9.14

Using the fact that density matrices are positive operators and the given identity, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
F(U\rho U^\dagger, U\sigma U^\dagger) &= \text{tr} \sqrt{(U\rho U^\dagger)^{1/2} U\sigma U^\dagger (U\rho U^\dagger)^{1/2}} \\
&= \text{tr} \sqrt{U\rho^{1/2} U^\dagger U\sigma U^\dagger U\rho^{1/2} U^\dagger} \\
&= \text{tr} \sqrt{U\rho^{1/2} \sigma \rho^{1/2} U^\dagger} \\
&= \text{tr}(U \sqrt{\rho^{1/2} \sigma \rho^{1/2}} U^\dagger) = \text{tr} \sqrt{\rho^{1/2} \sigma \rho^{1/2}} = F(\rho, \sigma)
\end{aligned}$$

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