Quantum Andor Functions

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In this paper I present a quantum function that is "almost" constructible using pure functions plus extensions of non-determinism using random sources.

A quantum andor function is a semi quantum non-deterministic function `f`:

$$\begin{array}{ll} f:()\to \mathbb{B}^2 & \exists_{pc}f:\mathbb{B}^2\to \mathbb{C} \\ \\ f:[semi_quantum] \ true \\ \\ and \cdot f:[semi_quantum] \ true \\ \\ or \cdot f:[semi_quantum] \ true \\ \end{array} \\ \text{``and''} + \text{``or''} = \text{``andor''} \end{array}$$

For more information about semi quantum functions, see paper "Semi Quantum Non-Determinism".

The complex probability distribution can be generated with two arbitrary basis vectors `a` and `b`:

00 01 10 11 a b -b a
$$|a| = |b|$$
 a : \mathbb{C} b : \mathbb{C}

The only partial observations that can distinguish a quantum andor function from some function constructed with pure functions plus extensions of non-determinism using random sources:

$$(= 01) \cdot f$$
 Measure for `01` $(= 10) \cdot f$ Measure for `10`

These two partial observations give the same real probability distribution:

With other words, `01` and `10` is given 25% chance of being observed, respectively.

All other functions of type $\mathbb{B}^2 \to \mathbb{B}$ corresponds to the intuition that 'f' is constructible using:

$$f() = if random() < 0.5 \{ 00 \} else \{ 11 \}$$

This intuition gives `01` and `10` a 0% chance of being observed, which is a contradiction. Therefore, quantum andor functions are not constructible using pure functions plus extensions of non-determinism using random sources. However, they are "almost" constructible.