

MTAT.05.024 Quantum Crypto

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Homework # 1

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1 Orthonormal bases

Definition. The “computational (orthonormal) basis” of the Hilbert space of an n -qubit quantum register consists of the states $|\mathbf{x}\rangle$, where \mathbf{x} ranges over all elements of $\{0, 1\}^n$, i.e., length- n bit strings. For example, for a single qubit, we get the familiar ONB $|0\rangle, |1\rangle$.

(a) Verify that the following four 2-qubit states form an ONB:

- $(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$

(Your solution here.)

(b) Write the following 2-qubit states as superposition of the basis states defined in (a):

- $|00\rangle$

(Your solution here.)

- $|01\rangle$

(Your solution here.)

- $|11\rangle$

(Your solution here.)

2 Measurement I

A computational basis measurement of a single qubit has possible outcomes 0, 1. If the single qubit is in state

$$\psi = \alpha_0 |0\rangle + \alpha_1 |1\rangle ,$$

then the probability of outcome 0 is $|\alpha_0|^2$ and the probability of outcome 1 is $|\alpha_1|^2 = 1 - |\alpha_0|^2$.

For each of the following states, give the measurement probabilities of the outcomes:

- (a) $|0\rangle$
- (b) $|1\rangle$
- (c) $|+\rangle$
- (d) $|-\rangle$
- (e) $|\odot\rangle$
- (f) $|\oslash\rangle$

3 Measurement II

A computational basis measurement of the *left* one of two qubits has possible outcomes 0, 1. If the two qubits are in the state

$$\psi = \alpha_{00} |00\rangle + \alpha_{01} |01\rangle + \alpha_{10} |10\rangle + \alpha_{11} |11\rangle ,$$

then the probability of outcome 0 is

$$|\alpha_{00}|^2 + |\alpha_{01}|^2$$

and the probability of outcome 1 is

$$|\alpha_{10}|^2 + |\alpha_{11}|^2 = 1 - (|\alpha_{00}|^2 + |\alpha_{01}|^2) .$$

For each of the states in item (a) of exercise 1, give the measurement probabilities of the outcomes of measuring the left qubit.

- $(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$

4 Tensor products

Recall from the lecture the fact that that $(\phi, \psi) \rightarrow \phi \otimes \psi$ is “bi-linear”, i.e.,

- For each fixed ϕ the mapping $\psi \mapsto \phi \otimes \psi$ is linear;
- For each fixed ψ the mapping $\phi \mapsto \phi \otimes \psi$ is linear.

Use this to expand the following 2-qubit states in the computational basis (i.e., $|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$, $|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$, $|1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$, $|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$):

- (a) $|0\rangle \otimes |+\rangle$
- (b) $|+\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$
- (c) $|+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle$
- (d) $|+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$
- (e) $|-\rangle \otimes |+\rangle$
- (f) $|-\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$

The construction of the basis in item (a) of exercise 1 can be carried out with $+/-$ instead of 0/1:

- $(|+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle + |-\rangle \otimes |-\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle - |-\rangle \otimes |-\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle + |-\rangle \otimes |+\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$
- $(|+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle - |-\rangle \otimes |+\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$

(g) Creative writing. If a 2-qubit quantum register is in the state

$$\left(\left(|00\rangle + |11\rangle \right) / \sqrt{2} \right) + \left(\left(|+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle + |-\rangle \otimes |-\rangle \right) / \sqrt{2} \right) / \sqrt{2}$$

— what does that mean?