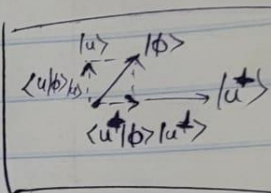


**Collaborators :** None

**Sources :** Lecture Notes

### Q5) Zero-error state discrimination:

(a) Let  $\Pi_1 = |u\rangle\langle u|$ , the linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that projects onto the  $|u\rangle$ . Since  $\{|u\rangle, |v\rangle\}$  form the orthonormal basis, then sum of the projects in the orthonormal basis vectors should give the original vector.



$$\Rightarrow |u\rangle\langle u| \cdot |\phi\rangle + |v\rangle\langle v| \cdot |\phi\rangle = |\phi\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow (I - |u\rangle\langle u| - |v\rangle\langle v|) \cdot |\phi\rangle = 0$$

As this is applicable for all  $|\phi\rangle$ ,  $\Rightarrow I - |u\rangle\langle u| - |v\rangle\langle v| = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|u\rangle\langle u| = I - |v\rangle\langle v|} = \Pi_1$$

Similarly,  $\Pi_2 = |v\rangle\langle v| = I - |u\rangle\langle u|$

$$(b) E_1 = \frac{1}{2} \Pi_1 = \frac{1}{2} [I - |v\rangle\langle v|]; \quad E_2 = \frac{1}{2} \Pi_2 = \frac{1}{2} [I - |u\rangle\langle u|]$$

When state  $|\psi\rangle = |u\rangle$ , the probability of outcome 1 is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{state box } Pr(1) &= \langle u | E_1 | u \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle u | (I - |v\rangle\langle v|) | u \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\langle u | I | u \rangle - \langle u | v \rangle \langle v | u \rangle] = \frac{1}{2} [\langle u | u \rangle - \langle u | v \rangle \langle v | u \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } \langle u | u \rangle = 1 \Rightarrow Pr(1) = \frac{1}{2} [1 - 1] = 0$$

$$\boxed{\therefore Pr(1) = 0 \text{ when } |\psi\rangle = |u\rangle}$$

Similarly, probability of outcome 2 is given by: (When  $|\psi\rangle = |v\rangle$ )

$$\begin{aligned} Pr(2) &= \langle v | E_2 | v \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle v | (I - |u\rangle\langle u|) | v \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\langle v | I | v \rangle - \langle v | u \rangle \langle u | v \rangle] = \frac{1}{2} [\langle v | v \rangle - \langle v | u \rangle \langle u | v \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } \langle v | v \rangle = 1 \Rightarrow Pr(2) = \frac{1}{2} [1 - 1] = 0$$

$$\boxed{\therefore Pr(2) = 0 \text{ when } |\psi\rangle = |v\rangle}$$

(c)  $E_0 = I - E_1 - E_2 = I - \frac{1}{2}\pi_1 - \frac{1}{2}\pi_2$

Probability of outcome '0' when  $|\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle$  is:

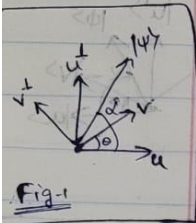


Fig-1

$$P_r(0) = \langle \psi | E_0 | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | (I - \frac{1}{2}\pi_1 - \frac{1}{2}\pi_2) | \psi \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow P_r(0) = \langle \psi | I | \psi \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle \psi | \pi_1 | \psi \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle \psi | \pi_2 | \psi \rangle \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\langle \psi | \pi_1 | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | u^\perp \rangle \langle u^\perp | \psi \rangle = \cos^2(90^\circ - \alpha) \quad [\text{Reference: Fig-1}]$$

$$\langle \psi | \pi_2 | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | v^\perp \rangle \langle v^\perp | \psi \rangle = \cos^2(90^\circ - \alpha + \theta) \rightarrow (2)$$

Using (2) in (1),

$$\Rightarrow P_r(0) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\alpha - \theta)$$

$$P_r(0) = 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2(\alpha - \theta)}{2}$$

$$\frac{dP_r(0)}{d\alpha} = \frac{d}{d\alpha} \left[ 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2(\alpha - \theta)}{2} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin(2\alpha) + \sin(2\alpha - 2\theta) = 0$$

$$2\theta = (n + \frac{1}{2})\pi$$

$\Rightarrow \theta = (n + \frac{1}{2})\pi$  but  $\theta$  is previously fixed

$$P_r(0) = 1 + \frac{1 - 2\sin^2 \alpha + 1 - 2\sin^2(\alpha - \theta)}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= (1 - \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{\cos(2\alpha) + \cos(2\alpha - 2\theta)}{2}$$

$$= (1 - \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{\cos(2\alpha - \theta) \cos(\theta)}{2}$$

To minimize  $P_r(0)$ , then  $\cos(2\alpha - \theta) = -1$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{270^\circ + \theta}{2}$$

$$= 135^\circ + \frac{\theta}{2}$$

Then  $P_r(0) = [1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\cos \theta}{2}]$  if  $\cos \theta > 0$

If  $\frac{\cos \theta}{2} < 0 \Rightarrow P_r(0) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\cos \theta}{2}$

as is because  $\cos \theta > 0$  &  $\cos \theta > 0$  ( $-\alpha < \alpha < \pi$ )



(d) From (c), I derived that

$$Pr(0) = 1 - \frac{\sin^2(\theta) + \sin(\alpha - \theta)}{c}$$

Here  $(\alpha) + (\theta - \alpha) = \theta$

Just replace  $|\phi\rangle$  with  $|\omega\rangle$ .

$\theta_1 = \text{Angle from } |u\rangle \text{ to } |\omega\rangle \rightarrow \alpha$

$\theta_2 = \text{Angle from } |\omega\rangle \text{ to } |v\rangle \rightarrow (\theta - \alpha)$

Substituting these,

$$\Rightarrow Pr(0) = 1 - \left[ \frac{\sin^2(\theta_1) + \sin^2(\theta_2)}{c} \right] \quad \& \quad \theta_1 + \theta_2 = \alpha + \theta - \alpha = \theta$$

(Similar to (c))  $\Rightarrow Pr(0) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{c}\right) + \left[ \frac{\cos(\theta - 2\theta_2) \cos(\theta)}{c} \right]$

$$Pr(0) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{c}\right) + \left[ \frac{\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \cos(\theta)}{c} \right]$$

$\cos\theta > 0$  since  $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$

Assuming  $c > 0$ , then  $\text{Max}[Pr(0)] = 1 - \frac{1}{c} + \frac{(1) \cos\theta}{c}$  [when  $\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 0$ ]  
 $= \left[ 1 - \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{c} \right] \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

Assuming  $c < 0$ , then  $\text{Max}[Pr(0)] = \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{c} - \frac{\cos\theta}{c} \right]$  [when  $\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 180^\circ$ ]  
 $\rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

From  $\textcircled{1}$ , if  $Pr(0) \geq 0$

$$1 - \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{c} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \left[ 1 - \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{c} \right] \geq 0 \Rightarrow c \geq 1 - \cos\theta$$

$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 = \theta$$

$$\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 0$$

$$0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

From  $\textcircled{2}$ , if  $Pr(0) \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ 1 - \frac{1 + \cos\theta}{c} \right] \geq 0 \Rightarrow c \leq 1 + \cos\theta$$

$$\text{If } Pr(0) \geq 0 \Rightarrow 1 - \left[ \frac{1 - \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \cos(\theta)}{c} \right] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c \geq 1 - \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \cos(\theta) \quad [\because c > 0]$$

Since  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  can be anything dependent on  $|\omega\rangle$ , then  
~~we~~ consider the extreme limit.

~~$\Rightarrow$  For  $\cos(\theta)$~~

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \cos\theta) \leq [1 - \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \cos\theta] \leq [1 + \cos\theta] \quad [\because -1 \leq \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \leq 1]$$

$\Rightarrow c$  should always be greater than  $(1 + \cos\theta)$

$$\boxed{\therefore c \text{ should be at least } (1 + \cos\theta)}$$

(e) The failure probability corresponds to the probability of outcome '0'. ~~Substituting~~ If minimum failure probability  $= 1 - \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{c}$  then substituting  $c = (1 + \cos\theta)$  from (d) to calculate minimum positive failure probability,

$$\Rightarrow Pr(0) = 1 - \frac{1 - \cos^2\theta}{1 + \cos\theta} = 1 - \frac{(1 - \cos\theta)(1 + \cos\theta)}{(1 + \cos\theta)} = \cos\theta$$

Thus, there is zero-sided error qubit discrimination algorithm with failure probability  $\cos\theta$ .