

Categories of Compositeness, Purity, and Entanglement

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Table 1: Quantum system conditions — Compositeness / Purity / Entanglement

Condition		Type
Compositeness	Single Qubit: A	Two Qubits: AB (Composite, Bipartite)
	$ \psi\rangle_A = 0\rangle_A$ $ \psi\rangle_A = 0\rangle_A + 1\rangle_A$	$ \psi\rangle_{AB} = 01\rangle_{AB}$ $ \psi\rangle_{AB} = 00\rangle_{AB} + 01\rangle_{AB}$
Purity	Single State Vector (Pure)	Ensemble of SV's (Mixed, Mixture)
	$ \psi\rangle_A, \psi\rangle_{AB}$ $\rho_A = \psi\rangle_A \langle\psi _A$ $\rho_{AB} = \psi\rangle_{AB} \langle\psi _{AB}$	$\{ \psi_i\rangle, p_i\}$ $\rho = \sum_i p_i \psi_i\rangle \langle\psi_i $
Entanglement	Separable (Factored)	Entangled
	$ \psi\rangle_{AB} = 1\rangle_A \otimes 0\rangle_B$ $ \psi\rangle_{AB} = 0\rangle_A \otimes (0\rangle_B + 1\rangle_B)$	$ \psi\rangle_{AB} = 0\rangle_A \otimes 0\rangle_B +$ $ 1\rangle_A \otimes 1\rangle_B$

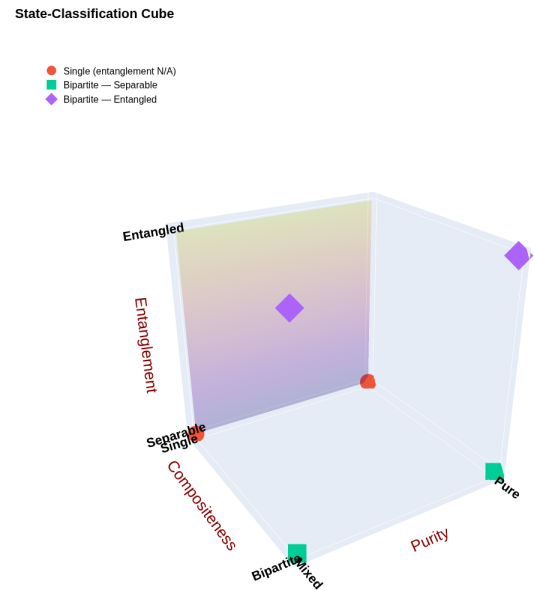


Figure 1: The three descriptive binary categories of a quantum system: Compositeness, Purity and Engtangement. **Note:** A single isolated qubit system is by definition NOT entangled with another. So two of the top corners of the cube, (Single, Entangled, Pure/Mixed), are not valid and left empty.

State-Classification Cube

- Single (entanglement N/A)
- Bipartite — Separable
- ◆ Bipartite — Entangled

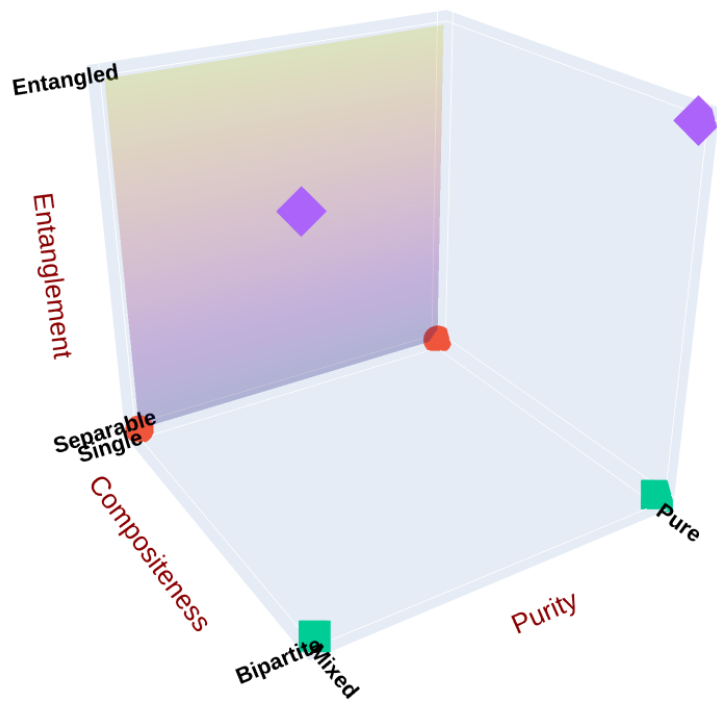


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