

# Kraus

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In this project we formalize parts of the article *Unbounded length minimal synchronizing words for quantum channels over qutrits* and notions in quantum information theory.

In particular we formalize the notion of a measure-once one-way general quantum finite automaton (MO-1gQFA) introduced by Li, Qiu, Zou, Li, Wu, Mateus [1] in 2012. As an alternative to “MO-1gQFA” we refer to these simply as Kraus operator automata. In particular we formalize cut-point languages as in [2].

**Definition 1.** The operation  $\rho \mapsto \sum_i K_i \rho K_i^*$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Each projective is PSD.*

**Lemma 3.** *A probability mass function on two orthogonal projections  $P, P^\perp$ , with measure equal to the trace of the density matrix  $\rho$  times the projection.*

**Definition 4.** Transition function  $\delta^*$  corresponding to a word over an alphabet, where each symbol is mapped to a completely positive map in Kraus form, of rank at most  $r$ .

**Lemma 5.** *A projection-valued measure, with measure equal to the trace of the density matrix  $\rho$  times the projection.*

**Lemma 6.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are PSD then  $AB$  has nonnegative trace.*

**Lemma 7.** *If  $P$  is a projection and  $\rho$  is PSD then the trace of  $P\rho$  is nonnegative.*

**Definition 8.** Projection-valued measure.

**Definition 9.** Quantum channel.

**Lemma 10.** *Kraus operators preserve the PSD property.*

**Lemma 11.** *An automaton based on a quantum channel maps density matrices to density matrices while reading a single letter.*

**Lemma 12.** *An automaton based on a quantum channel maps density matrices to density matrices while reading a word.*

**Lemma 13.** *A basis state density matrix has trace one.*

**Lemma 14.** *A pure state is PSD.*

**Definition 15.** The projection-valued measure corresponding to a word belonging to the measure-once language of the KOA  $\mathcal{K}$ .

**Definition 16.** We accept a word if starting in  $e_0$  we end up in  $e_1$  with probability at least  $1/2$ .

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