

Saving and Breaking Entanglement

Project Outside the
Course Scope

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Core Question

Which quantum channels **preserve** entanglement under repeated application, and which **destroy** it?

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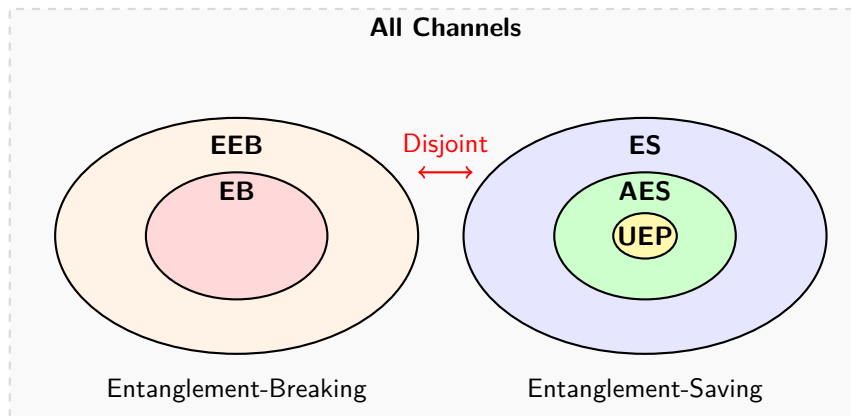
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The Landscape of Quantum Channels



Main Result — UEP Channels are Unitaries

Theorem (Lami & Giovannetti, Thm 17)

The only universal entanglement-preserving (UEP) channels are unitary evolutions:

$$\Phi(\rho) = U\rho U^\dagger$$

for some unitary U .

Wigner's Theorem

Theorem (Wigner). Let $T : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ (not necessarily linear) on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} . Suppose

$$|\langle T(x) | T(y) \rangle| = |\langle x | y \rangle| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}.$$

Then there exists a real function $\varphi : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and an isometry or anti-isometry $V : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ such that

$$T(x) = e^{i\varphi(x)} Vx.$$

In particular, if \mathcal{H} is finite-dimensional, V is unitary or anti-unitary.

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Step 2: Reduction to the Unital Case

Let $A := \Phi(\mathbb{1})^{1/2}$.

Define:

$$\Psi(X) := A^{-1}\Phi(X)A^{-1}$$

Then Ψ is UEP, CP, and

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- $\rho \otimes \frac{1}{d} \in \partial \mathcal{S}_{AB}$ (Prop. 15)
- $\exists (\sigma_\epsilon)_{\epsilon > 0} \notin \mathcal{S}_{AB}, \sigma_\epsilon \rightarrow \rho \otimes \frac{1}{d}$
- Ψ UEP $\Rightarrow (\Psi \otimes \text{id})(\sigma_\epsilon) \notin \mathcal{S}_{AB}$
- Ψ continuous $\Rightarrow \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (\Psi \otimes \text{id})(\sigma_\epsilon) = \Psi(\rho) \otimes \frac{1}{d}$
- $\Psi(\rho) \otimes \frac{1}{d} \in \partial \mathcal{S}_{AB} \Rightarrow \det \Psi(\rho) = 0$ (Prop. 15)

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- $X^2 \geq 0$, $\det(X^2) = 0$
- Step 3 $\Rightarrow \det \Psi(X^2) = 0$
- $\exists |\eta\rangle : \langle \eta | \Psi(X^2) | \eta \rangle = 0$
- Kadison's inequality:

$$0 = \langle \eta | \Psi(X^2) | \eta \rangle = \langle \eta | \Psi(X^\dagger X) | \eta \rangle \geq (\Psi(X) | \eta \rangle)^\dagger (\Psi(X) | \eta \rangle)$$

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- $\lambda \in \sigma(X) \xrightarrow{\text{Step 4}} \det \Psi(X - \lambda \mathbb{1}) = 0$
- Ψ linear and unital $\Rightarrow \lambda \in \sigma(\Psi(X))$
- For X Hermitian and non-degenerate, $\sigma(X) \subseteq \sigma(\Psi(X))$ and both have d elements, so $\sigma(X) = \sigma(\Psi(X))$
- For any $X = X^\dagger$, take $(X_\epsilon)_\epsilon$ non-degenerate, $X_\epsilon \rightarrow X$
- By continuity (Weyl's theorem):

$$\sigma(\Psi(X)) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sigma(\Psi(X_\epsilon)) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sigma(X_\epsilon) = \sigma(X)$$

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- For $|\alpha\rangle$, the spectrum is $\sigma(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|) = \{1, 0, \dots, 0\}$
- Spectrum preservation $\Rightarrow \Psi(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|) = |\alpha'\rangle\langle\alpha'|$
- For $|\alpha\rangle, |\beta\rangle$:

$$\sigma(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| + |\beta\rangle\langle\beta|) = \{1 + |\langle\alpha|\beta\rangle|, 1 - |\langle\alpha|\beta\rangle|, 0, \dots, 0\}$$

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- By Step 6: Ψ preserves $|\langle\alpha|\beta\rangle|$
- Wigner's Theorem $\Rightarrow |\alpha'\rangle = e^{i\varphi(\alpha)} U|\alpha\rangle$
- $\Psi(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|) = U|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|U^\dagger$
- By linearity, $\Psi(X) = UXU^\dagger$ for all X
- Returning to Φ :

$$\Phi(X) = AUXU^\dagger A$$

where $A = \Phi(\mathbb{1})^{1/2}$

- Trace preservation $\Rightarrow A = \mathbb{1}$
- $\Rightarrow \Phi(X) = UXU^\dagger$

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Notation

$\sigma_P(\phi) = \{\lambda \in \sigma(\phi) \mid |\lambda| = 1\}$ (peripheral spectrum)

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Open Questions for Discussion

- **Why exactly** do these spectral constraints lead to measure zero?
- What does this mean physically for the "probability" of encountering ES channels?
- Can anyone provide intuition for this measure-theoretic argument?

PPT Squared Conjecture

Definitions

A linear map $T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ is called

- **entanglement breaking** if for any positive matrix $X \in (M_{d_2} \otimes M_{d_1})^+$, the matrix $(\text{id}_{d_2} \otimes T)(X)$ is separable.
- **completely copositive** if $\vartheta_{d_2} \circ T$ is completely positive, where $\vartheta_d : M_d \rightarrow M_d$ denotes the matrix transposition map.

PPT Squared Conjecture - Version 1

If a linear map $T : M_d \rightarrow M_d$ is both completely positive and completely copositive, then its square $T \circ T$ is entanglement breaking.

Motivation: Quantum Key Distribution

A) Composition of different linear maps

PPT Squared Conjecture - Version 2

For any pair of linear maps $T_1 : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ and $T_2 : M_{d_2} \rightarrow M_{d_3}$ that are both completely positive and completely copositive, the composition $T_2 \circ T_1$ is entanglement breaking.

2) \Rightarrow 1):

Obvious.

1) \Rightarrow 2):

Assumption: \exists linear maps $T_1 : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ and $T_2 : M_{d_2} \rightarrow M_{d_3}$ and both CP and PPT, such that the composition $T_2 \circ T_1$ is not EB.

A) Composition of different linear maps

1) \Rightarrow 2):

Step 1: Isometric Embedding

Let $V_1 : \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$, $V_2 : \mathbb{C}^{d_2} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$ denote the canonical isometries into the first d_i coordinates of \mathbb{C}^d and $d = \max(d_1, d_2, d_3)$. Define the linear maps $\tilde{T}_1 : M_d \rightarrow M_d$ and $\tilde{T}_2 : M_d \rightarrow M_d$ as

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{T}_1(X) &= T_1(V_1^\dagger X V_1) \oplus 0_{(d-d_2)} \\ \tilde{T}_2(X) &= T_2(V_2^\dagger X V_2) \oplus 0_{(d-d_3)} \quad X \in M_d\end{aligned}$$

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Step 2: Switch Map

Define the switch map $T : M_d \otimes M_2 \rightarrow M_d \otimes M_2$ as

$$\begin{aligned} T(X) = & \tilde{T}_1((\mathbb{I}_d \otimes \langle 1|)X(\mathbb{I}_d \otimes |1\rangle)) \otimes |2\rangle \langle 2| \\ & + \tilde{T}_2((\mathbb{I}_d \otimes \langle 2|)X(\mathbb{I}_d \otimes |2\rangle)) \otimes |1\rangle \langle 1| \end{aligned}$$

for any $X \in M_d \otimes M_2$.

Note: T is still completely positive and completely copositive.

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Step 3: Putting it all together

Result in Paper: $T_2 \circ T_1(Y) = T \circ T \left(V_1 Y V_1^\dagger \otimes |1\rangle \langle 1| \right)$

Our Result: $T_2 \circ T_1(Y) \oplus 0_{(d-d_3)} \otimes |1\rangle \langle 1| = T \circ T \left(V_1 Y V_1^\dagger \otimes |1\rangle \langle 1| \right)$

By assumption, this channel is not entanglement breaking. Therefore, $T \circ T$ cannot be entanglement breaking either. \square

B) Connection to local entanglement annihilation

Definition (2-locally entanglement annihilating maps)

A linear map $T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ is called *2-locally entanglement annihilating* if the image $(T \otimes T)(X)$ is separable for any positive matrix $X \geq 0$.

PPT squared conjecture - Version 3

For any pair of linear maps $T_1 : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ and $T_2 : M_{d_3} \rightarrow M_{d_4}$, both CP and PPT, the image $(T_1 \otimes T_2)(X)$ is separable for any positive matrix $X \in (M_{d_1} \otimes M_{d_3})_+$.

Tricks with maximally entangled state (MES)

Notation: (*Unnormalized*) MES: $|\Omega_d\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^d |i\rangle \otimes |i\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$
Corresponding matrix: $\omega_d := |\Omega_d\rangle \langle \Omega_d|$

Lemma II.1

Any vector $|\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_2}$ can be written as

$$|\psi\rangle = (\mathbb{I}_{d_1} \otimes A) |\Omega_{d_1}\rangle = (B \otimes \mathbb{I}_{d_2}) |\Omega_{d_2}\rangle,$$

with linear maps $A : \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{d_2}$ and $B : \mathbb{C}^{d_2} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{d_1}$.

Lemma II.2

For any map $L : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ that is Hermiticity-preserving (i.e., it maps Hermitian matrices to Hermitian matrices), we have

$$(\text{id}_{d_1} \otimes L)(\omega_{d_1}) = (\vartheta_{d_1} \circ L^* \circ \vartheta_{d_2} \otimes \text{id}_{d_2})(\omega_{d_2}).$$

B) Connection to local entanglement annihilation

2) \Rightarrow 3):

Note: Suffices to check that $(T_1 \otimes T_2)(|\psi\rangle \langle\psi|)$ is separable for any pure state $|\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_3}$.

Rewrite expression using MES-tricks

$$(T_1 \otimes T_2)(|\psi\rangle \langle\psi|) = [\text{id}_{d_2} \otimes (T_2 \circ \text{Ad}_A \circ \vartheta_{d_1} \circ T_1^* \circ \vartheta_{d_2})] (|\Omega_{d_2}\rangle \langle\Omega_{d_2}|).$$

Note: $\text{Ad}_A \circ \vartheta_{d_1} \circ T_1^* \circ \vartheta_{d_2} : M_{d_2} \rightarrow M_{d_3}$ is still CP and PPT.

By assumption, their composition is entanglement breaking, and therefore the expression $(T_1 \otimes T_2)(|\psi\rangle \langle\psi|)$ is separable.

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3) \Rightarrow 1):

Choose a map $T : M_d \rightarrow M_d$ that is CP and PPT.

$$T_1(X) = (\vartheta_d \circ T^* \circ \vartheta_d)(X)$$

$$T_2(X) = T(X)$$

for any $X \in M_d$. Using the previous tricks for the MES again

Rewrite expression using MES-tricks again

$$(T_1 \otimes T_2)(\omega_d) = ((\vartheta_d \circ T^* \circ \vartheta_d) \otimes T)(\omega_d) = (\text{id}_d \otimes T^2)(\omega_d) = \mathcal{C}_{T^2}$$

By assumption, $(\text{id}_d \otimes T^2)(\omega_d)$ is separable and therefore, T^2 is entanglement breaking. □

C) Decomposability of certain positive maps

Definition (Decomposable maps)

A positive map $P : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ is called *decomposable* if $P = T_1 + \vartheta_{d_2} \circ T_2$, for some CP maps $T_1, T_2 : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$.

PPT squared conjecture – Version 4

For any completely positive and completely copositive map $T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ and any positive map $P : M_{d_2} \rightarrow M_{d_3}$, the composition $P \circ T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_3}$ is decomposable.

Important Results

Lemma III.1 (Horodeckis)

A linear map $T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ is *entanglement breaking* if and only if for any positive map $P : M_{d_2} \rightarrow M_{d_1}$, the composition $P \circ T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_1}$ is completely positive.

Lemma III.2 (Størmer)

A linear map $T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ is *decomposable* if and only if $(\text{id}_{d_A} \otimes T)(X) \geq 0$ for any $X \in (M_{d_A} \otimes M_{d_B})^+$ with $X^\Gamma \geq 0$ where Γ denotes the partial transpose.

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By **Lemma III.1**, the composition $P \circ T \circ S$ is completely positive.

Since this holds for any completely positive and completely copositive map S , **Lemma III.2** shows that $P \circ T$ must be decomposable.

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Assume the maps $T : M_{d_1} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ and $S : M_{d_3} \rightarrow M_{d_1}$ are CP and PPT, but $T \circ S : M_{d_3} \rightarrow M_{d_2}$ is not EB.

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By **Lemma III.2**, $P \circ T$ cannot be decomposable. □

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Backup Slides

Additional material for questions and discussion

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Supporting Results

Corollary 14: If $|\sigma_P(\phi)| \geq 2$, $\exists 1 \leq n \leq d$ such that $1 \in \sigma_P(\phi^n)$ with multiplicity > 1 .

Lemma 20: If $1 \in \sigma(\phi)$ with multiplicity > 1 , then ϕ admits a semipositive fixed point.

Corollary 19: If ϕ is entanglement-breaking and has a semipositive fixed point, then $\dim \ker \phi \geq 2(d-1)$ and $\det \phi = 0$.

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- Suppose by contradiction: ϕ has a strictly positive fixed point $\rho_0 > 0$ and $\sigma_P(\phi) = \{1\}$
- Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi^n = D_{\rho_0}$, where $D_{\rho_0}(X) = \rho_0 \operatorname{Tr} X$
- Choi–Jamiołkowski: $R_{\phi^n} \rightarrow R_{D_{\rho_0}} = \rho_0 \otimes \frac{1}{d}$
- By Proposition 15, $R_{D_{\rho_0}}$ is interior to the separable set
- $\Rightarrow \phi$ is not ES (contradiction)

Proof of Theorem 21: (2) \Rightarrow (3)

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Sketch

- If ϕ has a semipositive fixed point, done.
- Else, $|\sigma_P(\phi)| \geq 2$
- **Corollary 14:** $\exists 1 \leq n \leq d$ such that $1 \in \sigma_P(\phi^n)$ with multiplicity > 1
- **Lemma 20:** ϕ^n has a semipositive fixed point

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- Suppose, for contradiction, that ϕ is not ES: $\exists N$ such that ϕ^N is entanglement-breaking and has a semipositive fixed point.
- **Corollary 19:** ϕ^N entanglement-breaking with semipositive fixed point $\Rightarrow \dim \ker \phi^N \geq 2(d-1) \Rightarrow \det \phi^N = 0$
- But $\det \phi \neq 0 \Rightarrow \det \phi^N \neq 0$ (contradiction)
- $\Rightarrow \phi$ is ES