

# Intro to Quantum Computing

## Assignment 1

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$$2. \rightarrow \sigma_x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma_x^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \therefore \sigma_x \text{ is hermitian}$$

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$\therefore \sigma_x$  is unitary

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tensor products of the pauli matrices:

$$\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\sigma_z \otimes \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_z \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider any two unitary operators

$A, B$  and their tensor product  $A \otimes B$ ,

~~the~~ ~~the~~ the product with the adjoint,

$$\begin{aligned} (A \otimes B)(A \otimes B)^* &= (A \otimes B)(A^* \otimes B^*) \\ &= (AA^* \otimes BB^*) \\ &= I \otimes I = I \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  tensor product of unitary matrices are unitary.

Hence, all  $\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j$  are unitary.

When taking the adjoints of all the  $\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j$  they remain the same - i.e.

$$(\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j) = (\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j)^*$$

$\therefore$  they are all hermitian.

2. a)

Since  $P$  is a projector,

$$P = PP = P^2$$

$$P^2 = P^{-1}PP$$

$$I = P$$

3.a) ~~Ques~~ Let  $a$  be an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda$ , an eigenvalue of  $P$ .

Consider  $Pa = \lambda a \rightarrow ①$

$$P^2 a = \lambda(Pa) \quad \because P \text{ is a projector}$$

$$P^2 a = \lambda(\lambda a) \quad \text{Using } ①$$

$$Pa = \lambda^2 a \quad \because P \text{ is a projector} \rightarrow ②$$

$$① = ② \quad \lambda a = \lambda^2 a$$

$$(\lambda - \lambda^2) a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \lambda^2 \quad \text{i.e. } \lambda = 1 \text{ or } \lambda = 0$$



6 b) Consider <sup>Unitary</sup> Hermitian operators A and B and their tensor product  $A \otimes B$ .

~~And~~ taking its product with its adjoint.

$$\begin{aligned} (A \otimes B)(A \otimes B)^* &= (A \otimes B)(A^* \otimes B^*) \\ &= (AA^* \otimes BB^*) \\ &= (I \otimes I) = I \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (A \otimes B)$  is ~~her~~ unitary.

Q3) Consider Hermitian operators

1. Consider the Bell states as columns in a matrix.

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ & \phi^- & \psi^+ & \psi^- \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = A$$

$$AA^* = I$$

$\therefore$  the columns of A i.e. Bell States are an orthonormal basis.