
QUANTUM STATES FOR TWO QUBIT SYSTEMS

Question 1

We define a state $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|00\rangle + \beta|01\rangle + \gamma|10\rangle + \delta|11\rangle$ to be a valid quantum state if $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 + |\gamma|^2 + |\delta|^2 = 1$. Which of the following equations describe a valid quantum state?

(a) Example: $\frac{1}{2}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|01\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|10\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|11\rangle$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}, \beta = \frac{1}{2}, \gamma = \frac{1}{2}, \delta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 + \delta^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 1$$

Since $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 + \delta^2 = 1$, $|\psi\rangle$ is a valid quantum state.

(b) $|\psi\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{5}|00\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{5}}|01\rangle + \frac{3}{5}|10\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{5}|11\rangle$

(c) $|\psi\rangle = |00\rangle$

(d) $|\psi\rangle = |00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle$

$$(e) |\psi\rangle = \frac{3}{5}|00\rangle + \frac{4}{5}|01\rangle$$

MEASUREMENT

Question 2

For the following, quantum states, what would the qubits most likely collapse to?

$$(a) \text{ Example: } \frac{1}{2}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|01\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|10\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|11\rangle$$

This state is in an equal superposition of the four states $|00\rangle$, $|01\rangle$, $|10\rangle$, $|11\rangle$. Therefore, we can equally expect the states to be:

First Qubit: 0, Second Qubit: 0

First Qubit: 0, Second Qubit: 1

First Qubit: 1, Second Qubit: 0

First Qubit: 1, Second Qubit: 1

$$(b) |\psi\rangle = |00\rangle$$

$$(c) |\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle$$

(d) $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|11\rangle$

(e) For $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|11\rangle$, if we measure the first qubit to result in 0, what can we say about the second qubit?

(f) For $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|01\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|10\rangle$, if we measure the first qubit to result in 0, what can we say about the second qubit?

(g) For $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|11\rangle$, if we measure the first qubit to result in 1, what can we say about the second qubit?

(h) For $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|01\rangle$, if we measure the first qubit to result in 0, what can we say about the second qubit?

ENTANGLEMENT: BELL STATES

Question 3

Prepare bell states starting with the states $|00\rangle$, $|01\rangle$, $|10\rangle$, $|11\rangle$. What is the resulting state?

