

Homework 9

1.1. What is the dimension of $\dim(\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B})$?

1. We have the following definition

\mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B} are subspaces and $\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B} = \{|a\rangle + |b\rangle, |a\rangle \in \mathbb{A}, |b\rangle \in \mathbb{B}\}$

We know that, the dimension of a vector space is the number of vectors in its basis.

Let A and B are the basis for \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B}

We know that basis vectors A and B are orthonormal basis, so they are linearly independent.

We know that basis vector formed by $A + B$ span the subspaces $\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}$.

2. From above points we can say,

$A + B$ is basis for the vector spaces formed by $\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) = \dim(\mathbb{A}) + \dim(\mathbb{B})$$

1.2. Show that $\mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) = \mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{A}) + \mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{B})$

1. If $|v\rangle$ is the state of the input vector, then quantum probability of finding the system in state x is, $\mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, x) = \langle v | x \rangle \langle x | v \rangle = \langle v | \Pi_x | v \rangle$, where

Π_x is the orthogonal projection operator on to the subspace spanned by $|x\rangle$

$$\Pi_x = \sum_j |x_j\rangle \langle x_j|$$

2. By above definition, the quantum probability of finding a system in state $\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}$ is

$$\mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) = \langle v | \Pi_{\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}} | v \rangle$$

3. From above two points, we know that $\Pi_{\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}} = \sum_j |e_j\rangle \langle e_j|$ where $e_j \in A + B$

We know that basis $|e_j\rangle$ is formed by $|a\rangle + |b\rangle$, where $|a\rangle \in \mathbb{A}, |b\rangle \in \mathbb{B}$

$$\Rightarrow \Pi_{\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}} = \sum_j |e_j\rangle \langle e_j| = \sum_n |a\rangle \langle a| + \sum_m |b\rangle \langle b|$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pi_{\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}} = \Pi_{\mathbb{A}} + \Pi_{\mathbb{B}}$$

4. By point 3, we can rewrite the definition in point 2 as,

$$\mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) = \langle v | \Pi_{\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}} | v \rangle = \langle v | \Pi_{\mathbb{A}} + \Pi_{\mathbb{B}} | v \rangle$$

5. Applying the projection operator Π on a state vector is a linear transformation and as it is a vector space homomorphism, we can say,

$$\langle v | \Pi_{\mathbb{A}} + \Pi_{\mathbb{B}} | v \rangle = \langle v | \Pi_{\mathbb{A}} | v \rangle + \langle v | \Pi_{\mathbb{B}} | v \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B}) = \mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{A}) + \mathcal{P}(|v\rangle, \mathbb{B})$$

1.3. Show that $\Pi_{\mathbb{A}}\Pi_{\mathbb{B}} = \Pi_{\mathbb{B}}\Pi_{\mathbb{A}}$

1. We know that,

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{\mathbb{A}} &= \sum_i |a_i\rangle\langle a_i| \\ \Pi_{\mathbb{B}} &= \sum_j |b_j\rangle\langle b_j|\end{aligned}$$

2. $\Pi_{\mathbb{A}}\Pi_{\mathbb{B}}$ will be of the form,

$$(|a_1\rangle\langle a_1| + \cdots + |a_i\rangle\langle a_i|).(|b_1\rangle\langle b_1| + \cdots + |b_j\rangle\langle b_j|)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i,j} |a_i\rangle\langle a_i||b_j\rangle\langle b_j|$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i,j} |a_i\rangle\langle a_i | b_j\rangle|b_j\rangle$$

But we know that \mathbb{A}, \mathbb{B} are orthogonal $\Rightarrow \langle a_i | b_j\rangle = 0$

$$\Pi_{\mathbb{A}}\Pi_{\mathbb{B}} = \sum_{i,j} |a_i\rangle\langle a_i | b_j\rangle|b_j\rangle = 0$$

3. Similarly, $\Pi_{\mathbb{B}}\Pi_{\mathbb{A}} = \sum_{i,j} |b_j\rangle\langle b_j | a_i\rangle|a_i\rangle = 0$

4. From points 2,3 we can say,

$$\Pi_{\mathbb{A}}\Pi_{\mathbb{B}} = \Pi_{\mathbb{B}}\Pi_{\mathbb{A}} = 0$$

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$$A = \{a_1, a_2 \dots a_i\} \quad B = \{b_1, b_2 \dots b_j\}$$

$$|A\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_i \end{bmatrix} \quad \langle A| = [a_1, a_2 \dots a_i]$$

$$|B\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_j \end{bmatrix} \quad \langle B| = [b_1, b_2 \dots b_j], \text{ say } \langle B| = B^\dagger$$

we know that,

$$\Pi_{A \otimes B} = \sum |A \otimes B\rangle \langle A \otimes B|$$

$$= \sum |AB\rangle \langle AB|$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 B \\ a_2 B \\ \vdots \\ a_i B \end{bmatrix} [a_1 B^\dagger, a_2 B^\dagger \dots a_i B^\dagger]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 B B^\dagger & a_1 a_2 B B^\dagger & \dots \\ \vdots & a_2 B B^\dagger & \dots \\ & \vdots & \ddots \\ & & a_i B B^\dagger \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1^\vee & a_1 a_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & a_2^\vee & \dots \\ & \vdots & \ddots \\ & & a_i^\vee \end{bmatrix} \otimes B B^\dagger \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\Pi_A \otimes \Pi_B$$

$$\Pi_A = \sum_i |a_i\rangle \langle a_i|$$

$$\Pi_B = \sum_j |b_j\rangle \langle b_j|$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_i \end{bmatrix} [a_1, a_2 \dots a_i] \otimes B B^\dagger$$

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From (1) & (2)

we can say that

$$\Pi_{A \otimes B} = \Pi_A \otimes \Pi_B$$

2.2. Show that $\mathcal{P}(\rho \otimes \mathcal{T}, \mathbb{A} \otimes \mathbb{B}) = \mathcal{P}(\rho, \mathbb{A})\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{T}, \mathbb{B})$

1. Given a quantum state $|\alpha\rangle$, the density matrix of $|\alpha\rangle$ is its outer product $|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|$
2. We know that the probability of observing a state to be in 'm', in terms of a density matrix is of the form,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(|\alpha\rangle, m) &= \sum_k \langle \alpha_k | \Pi_m | \alpha_k \rangle \\ &= \text{Tr}(\sum_k \langle \alpha_k | \Pi_m | \alpha_k \rangle) \\ &= \text{Tr}(\sum_k |\alpha_k\rangle\langle\alpha_k| \Pi_m), \text{ as Trace is not affected by cyclic permutation.} \\ &= \text{Tr}(\rho \Pi_m), \text{ where } \rho \text{ is the density matrix}\end{aligned}$$

3. Using above notation, we can say that,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(\rho \otimes \mathcal{T}, \mathbb{A} \otimes \mathbb{B}) &= \text{Tr}((\rho \otimes \mathcal{T}) \Pi_{\mathbb{A} \otimes \mathbb{B}}) \\ &= \text{Tr}((\rho \otimes \mathcal{T}) \Pi_{\mathbb{A}} \otimes \Pi_{\mathbb{B}}), \text{ from problem 2.1.}\end{aligned}$$

4. We know that for a linear transformation, $(p \otimes q)(|r\rangle \otimes |s\rangle) = (p|r\rangle) \otimes (q|s\rangle)$
5. Result from point 3 can be written as,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(\rho \otimes \mathcal{T}, \mathbb{A} \otimes \mathbb{B}) &= \text{Tr}(\rho \Pi_{\mathbb{A}} \otimes \mathcal{T} \Pi_{\mathbb{B}}) \\ &= \text{Tr}(\rho \Pi_{\mathbb{A}}) \text{Tr}(\mathcal{T} \Pi_{\mathbb{B}}) \\ &= \mathcal{P}(\rho, \mathbb{A}) \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{T}, \mathbb{B})\end{aligned}$$