
Homework 8
Quantum Information Processing

Exercise 1 *Corrupted dense coding*

Alice and Bob share an entangled pair in the state :

$$|\Psi\rangle = (1 + \delta^2)^{-1/2} \left\{ |B_{00}\rangle + \delta e^{i\gamma} |01\rangle \right\}$$

where $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $\gamma \in [0, 2\pi]$. Here $|B_{00}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$ is the perfect Bell state and we view the additional term proportional to δ as a "corruption". Alice wants to transmit two classical bits of information to Bob. They do not know that the entangled pair is corrupted and they use the *usual dense coding protocol* (seen in class).

- (a) Suppose Alice sends message (00). Calculate the probabilities that at the end of the protocol Bob gets $P(00)$, $P(01)$, $P(10)$, $P(11)$.
- (b) Suppose Alice sends message (10). Calculate first the global state received by Bob and the 4 probabilities above.

Exercise 2 *Corrupted teleportation*

Consider the same state as above

$$|\Psi\rangle = (1 + \delta^2)^{-1/2} \left\{ |B_{00}\rangle + \delta e^{i\gamma} |01\rangle \right\}$$

shared between Alice and Bob and suppose Alice has the extra state $|\varphi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$. We want to analyze the teleportation protocol under the corrupted entanglement link.

- (a) Alice does a measurement in the *perfect* Bell basis in her lab. Compute the possible outcomes for the global state shared by Alice and Bob and the respective probabilities.
- (b) Describe the next steps of the protocol and explain what are the teleported states that Bob gets when the protocol is completed. In particular compare the teleported states with $|\varphi\rangle$.

Exercise 3 *An entanglement criterion for 2 qubits*

The general state of two qubits is of the form

$$|\Psi\rangle = a_{00}|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + a_{01}|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + a_{10}|1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + a_{11}|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle,$$

(a) Show that $|\Psi\rangle$ is a product state *if and only if* $\det A = 0$, where A is the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Use this criterion to determine when the state (with δ, ϵ reals and $\gamma \in [0, 2\pi]$)

$$|\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \delta^2 + \epsilon^2}} (|B_{00}\rangle + \delta e^{i\gamma} |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + \epsilon |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle)$$

is entangled.

Exercise 4 $|W\rangle$ state

Consider the following state called W in quantum information,

$$|W\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|100\rangle + |010\rangle + |001\rangle)$$

Show that the three qubits are "totally" entangled in the sense :

- (a) It is impossible to write the state as a product of three one-qubit states :
 $|W\rangle \neq |\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle \otimes |\psi_3\rangle$ avec $|\psi_i\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2$.
- (b) It is impossible to write the state as a product of a one-qubit state and a two-qubit state (which might itself be entangled) : $|W\rangle \neq |\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_{23}\rangle$ with $|\psi_1\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2$ et $|\psi_{23}\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$.

Exercise 5 *Entanglement swapping with 3 qubits*

Consider 6 quantum particles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Pairs 12, 34, 56 are in the Bell state. Thus the state of the 6 particles is :

$$|\Psi\rangle = |B_{00}\rangle_{12} \otimes |B_{00}\rangle_{34} \otimes |B_{00}\rangle_{56}$$

We imagine that particles 1, 3, 5 are close in space (say on earth) and particles 2, 4, 6 are far away respectively on the moon, the space station and another satellite. We do a local measurement on earth which projects the state of 1, 3, 5 on the state

$$|GHZ\rangle_{135} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|000\rangle_{135} + |111\rangle_{135}).$$

- (a) The resulting global state after the measurement is proportional to $P|\Psi\rangle$ for a certain projector P . Which is this projector ?
- (b) Compute the resulting state of 2, 4, 6 after the measurement.