
Quantum Information Theory II

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Hilbert space formulation of Quantum Mechanics

- (i) Every quantum mechanical system S is associated with a Hilbert space H_S .
- (ii) Every state of the system S is described by a density operator $\rho : H_S \rightarrow H_S$.
- The state ρ can be a part of a joint state $|\Psi\rangle$ of $H_S \otimes H_T$, i.e., $\text{Tr}_T(|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|) = \rho$. $|\Psi\rangle$ is a 'purification' of ρ . This purification is not a physical process!

Hilbert space formulation of QM (continued)

- **(iii) As a generalization of projective measurement $\{P_i | P_i P_j = \delta_{ij} P_j; i, j = 1, 2, \dots, d\}$, every measurement on S is associated to a POVM $\{E_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$, where $E_i : H_S \rightarrow H_S$ is a positive operator and $\sum_{i=1}^N E_i = I$. The probability of ‘clicking’ E_i is $Tr(E_i \rho)$. The output state is $(E_i^{1/2} \rho E_i^{1/2}) / (Tr(E_i \rho))$ in this case, while the average output state is $\sum_{i=1}^N E_i^{1/2} \rho E_i^{1/2}$ in a particular realization of the POVM.**

Hilbert space formulation of QM (continued)

- **Each POVM $\{E_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$ on S can be realized by a projective measurement $\{P_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$ on $S + S'$ where $\text{Tr}_S(E_i \rho) = \text{Tr}_{S+S'}(P_i U(\rho \otimes \sigma_0) U^\dagger)$, σ_0 being a fixed state of S' and U being a unitary evolution of $S + S'$ after which $\{P_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$ is measured.**
- **(iv) As a generalization of the unitary Schrodinger dynamics, the dynamics of the is described by a completely positive (CP) map $T : \mathcal{D}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(H_{S'})$, where $\mathcal{D}(H_S)$ and $\mathcal{D}(H_{S'})$ are the convex sets of all density operators of S and S' respectively.**

Hilbert space formulation of QM (continued)

- **A linear, Hermitian, positive, trace-preserving map $T' : \mathcal{B}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{S'})$ from the Hilbert space $\mathcal{B}(H_S)$ of bounded linear operators on H_S (with $(A, B) \equiv \text{Tr}(A^\dagger B)$) to $\mathcal{B}(H_{S'})$ is also completely positive if for every Hilbert space H_A , the linear, Hermitian, trace-preserving map $(T' \otimes I) : \mathcal{B}(H_S \otimes H_A) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{S'} \otimes H_A)$ is again positive. Restrict $\mathcal{B}(H_S)$ to $\mathcal{D}(H_S)$ for our purpose.**
- **Unitary Schrodinger dynamics, non-selective POVM as well as their copositions are all CP maps.**

Kraus representation

- **Every CP map $T' : \mathcal{B}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{S'})$ can be represented by $T(\rho) = \sum_{i=1}^M A_i \rho A_i^\dagger$ where $A_i : H_S \rightarrow H_{S'}$'s are linear maps and $\sum_{i=1}^M A_i^\dagger A_i = I_S$.**
- Any map $T : \mathcal{D}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(H_{S'})$, which has a Kraus form, is always a CP map.
- **Every quantum mechanical operation (e.g., non-selective measurement, unitary evolution, taking trace, taking partial trace over a sub-system of a composite system, etc.) is a CP map.**

Realization of CP maps

- **Every CP map $T : \mathcal{D}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(H_S)$ can be obtained by: $T(\rho) = \text{Tr}_A(U(\rho \otimes \sigma_0)U^\dagger)$ for every ρ in $\mathcal{D}(H_S)$, σ_0 is a fixed state of A and $U : H_S \otimes H_A \rightarrow H_S \otimes H_A$ is unitary, for some suitably chosen H_A .**

- **Gorini, Kossakowski, Sudarshan, Lindblad: Dynamics of any open quantum system in the Lindblad form:**

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -\frac{i}{\hbar}[H, \rho] + \sum_j (2L_j\rho L_j^\dagger - \{L_j^\dagger L_j, \rho\})$$

corresponds to a CP map $\rho(0) \mapsto \rho(t) \equiv V(t)\rho(0)$.

Quantum channels

- Quantum channel with input system S and output system $T \equiv$ CP map $T' : \mathcal{D}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(H_T)$.
- **Bit-flip channel:** $\rho \mapsto E_0\rho E_0^\dagger + E_1\rho E_1^\dagger$, with

$$E_0 = \sqrt{p}I = \sqrt{p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_1 = \sqrt{1-p}\sigma_x = \sqrt{1-p} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Quantum channels (continued)

- **Phase-flip channel:** $\rho \mapsto E_0\rho E_0^\dagger + E_1\rho E_1^\dagger$, with

$$E_0 = \sqrt{p}I = \sqrt{p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_1 = \sqrt{1-p}\sigma_z = \sqrt{1-p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Quantum channels (continued)

- **bit-phase flip channel:** $\rho \mapsto E_0\rho E_0^\dagger + E_1\rho E_1^\dagger$, with

$$E_0 = \sqrt{p}I = \sqrt{p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_1 = \sqrt{1-p}\sigma_y = \sqrt{1-p} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Quantum channels (continued)

- **Depolarizing channel:** $\rho \mapsto p\frac{I}{2} + (1-p)\rho \equiv \sum_{i=0}^3 E_i \rho E_i^\dagger$,
with $E_0 = \sqrt{1-3p/4}I$, $E_1 = \sqrt{p}/2\sigma_x$, $E_2 = \sqrt{p}/2\sigma_y$,
 $E_3 = \sqrt{p}/2\sigma_z$.

- **Amplitude damping channel:** $\rho \mapsto E_0 \rho E_0^\dagger + E_1 \rho E_1^\dagger$ with

$$E_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sin\theta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\theta \in [0, \pi/2]).$$

Why CP, why not just positive?

- **Transposition map:** Consider an orthonormal basis $\{|i\rangle : i = 1, 2, \dots, d = \dim H_S\}$ for H_S . For any $A \in \mathcal{B}(H_S)$, define its transposition $A^T : H_S \rightarrow H_S$ as $\langle i|A^T|j\rangle \equiv \langle j|A|i\rangle$. So the map $\mathcal{T} : A \mapsto A^T$ is a linear, Hermitian, trace-preserving, positive map. But the map $(\mathcal{T} \otimes I) : \mathcal{B}(H_S \otimes H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_S \otimes H_S)$, when acts on $|\Phi^+\rangle\langle\Phi^+|$, produces a non-positive operator, where $|\Phi^+\rangle = (1/\sqrt{d}) \sum_{i=1}^d |ii\rangle$.

Positive maps for testing entanglement

- Think of the map $(I \otimes \mathcal{T})$ as time-reversal (under Schrodinger evolution) of one subsystem of a composite system.
- **Separable states:** A state ρ of $H_S \otimes H_T$ is separable iff $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^L w_i \rho_i^{(S)} \otimes \sigma_i^{(T)}$, with $\rho_i^{(S)} \in \mathcal{D}(H_S)$, $\sigma_i^{(T)} \in \mathcal{D}(H_T)$, $0 \leq w_i \leq 1$, $\sum_{i=1}^L w_i = 1$. If ρ is not separable, then it is **entangled**.
- A state ρ of $S + T$ is separable iff for every positive map $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{B}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{S'})$, the operator $(\mathcal{A} \otimes I_T)(\rho) : H_S \otimes H_T \rightarrow H_{S'} \otimes H_T$ is positive.

Recalling Shannon (source coding)

- For processing an arbitrarily large message of letters from the values of the random variable $X = \{x, p(x)\}$, its incompressible information content per letter is $H(X)$.

Recalling Shannon (channel coding)

- **Given an output $Y = y$ of a noisy channel \mathcal{N} for sending X , the incompressible information content for the probability distribution $\{\text{Prob}(x|y) : x\}$ being $H(X|y)$, the average value of this information content is $H(X|Y) = \sum_y p(y)H(X|y)$. The information about X , gained by sending X through a channel \mathcal{N} (characterized by the probabilities $\text{Prob}(y|x)$, from which $\text{Prob}(x|y)$'s can be obtained by using the Bayes' rule: $\text{Prob}(x|y) = (\text{Prob}(y|x) \times \text{Prob}(x)) / \text{Prob}(y)$ where $\text{Prob}(y) \equiv \sum_x \text{Prob}(y|x) \times \text{Prob}(x)$) is $I(X;Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y) = H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y)$. The capacity of the channel \mathcal{N} is $\max\{I(X;Y)|X\}$.**

von Neumann entropy

- **Now we encode the letter x by a density matrix ρ_x of S . So, the classical ensemble $X = \{x, p(x) : x\}$ is now replaced by the quantum ensemble $\rho = \{\rho_x, p(x) : x\}$, representing the density matrix $\rho = \sum_x p(x)\rho_x$. If we take the preparation $\{\rho_x, p(x) : x\}$ of ρ in its spectral decomposition (i.e., ρ_x 's are pairwise orthogonal), then the information content about X , is**
- $-\sum_x p(x) \log_2 p(x) = -\text{Tr}(\rho \log_2 \rho)$, as ρ_x 's are distinguishable.

von Neumann entropy (continued)

- **But what would be information content in ρ if its preparation is not known? von Neumann, considering phenomenological considerations of Thermodynamics, provided the formula for that information content. It is the von Neumann entropy $S(\rho) \equiv -Tr(\rho \log_2 \rho)$.**
- **Schumacher (1995) has shown that if we consider strings $\rho \otimes \rho \otimes \dots \rho \equiv \rho^{\otimes n}$ of large length n , $S(\rho)$ gives the incompressible information content, in terms of qubits, of ρ .**

Shannon vs. von Neumann

- $S(\rho) \geq 0$, and $S(\rho) = 0$ iff ρ is a pure state.
- For unitary $U : H_S \rightarrow H_S$, $S(U\rho U^\dagger) = S(\rho)$.
- For any ρ , $S(\rho) \leq \log_2(\dim H_S)$. (Recall that $H(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n) \leq \log_2 n$.)
- $S(\text{Tr}_B(|\psi\rangle_{AB}\langle\psi|)) = S(\text{Tr}_A(|\psi\rangle_{AB}\langle\psi|))$.
- $S(\sum_{i=1}^N w_i \rho_i) \geq \sum_{i=1}^N w_i S(\rho_i)$, where w_i 's are weights.
- If $\{P_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, d\}$ is a projective measurement on ρ , then for the average output state $\sum_{i=1}^d P_i \rho P_i \equiv \rho'$, $S(\rho') \geq S(\rho)$.

Shannon vs. von Neumann (continued)

- $H(X) \geq S(\rho = \sum_x p(x) |\psi_x\rangle \langle \psi_x|)$. **So the distinguishability among the signals x by encoding them by non-orthogonal states $|\psi_x\rangle$. $S(\rho)$ is here a tight upper bound on the amount of classical information about the signals x that one can get by performing measurement on the state ρ (Holevo's bound).**
- **Subadditivity:** $S(\rho_{AB}) \leq S(\text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB})) + S(\text{Tr}_A(\rho_{AB}))$; **equality iff $\rho_{AB} = \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) \otimes \text{Tr}_A(\rho_{AB})$. (Compare with the classical case: $H(X, Y) \leq H(X) + H(Y)$.)**

Shannon vs. von Neumann (continued)

- **Strong subadditivity:**

$$S(\rho_{ABC}) + S(\text{Tr}_{AC}(\rho_{ABC})) \leq S(\text{Tr}_C(\rho_{ABC})) + S(\text{Tr}_A(\rho_{ABC})).$$

(Compare with the classical case:

$$H(X, Y, Z) + H(Y) \leq H(X, Y) + H(Y, Z).)$$

- **Araki-Lieb inequality:**

$S(\rho_{AB}) \geq |S(\text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB})) - S(\text{Tr}_A(\rho_{AB}))|$. **(Compare with the classical case: $H(X, Y) \geq H(X), H(Y)$.)** **But for a quantum state ρ_{AB} , it may happen that**

$$S(\rho_{AB}) \leq S(\text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB})).$$

Entropy vs. thermodynamics

- $S(\rho'_A) + S(\rho'_B) \geq S(\rho'_{AB}) = S(U(\rho_A \otimes \rho_B)U^\dagger) = S(\rho_A \otimes \rho_B)$.

So the total entropy of the system $A + B$ increases under the interaction of A and B (Second law?).

Schumacher compression

- Consider the density matrix ρ given by the ensemble $\{p_x, |\phi_x\rangle\langle\phi_x|\}$, where $|\phi_x\rangle$'s are not necessarily orthogonal to each other. Consider now a string $\rho^{\otimes n} = \rho \otimes \rho \otimes \dots n$ times of length n , for large n .)

Schumacher compression (continued)

- Consider now the spectral decomposition of

ρ : $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^d w_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|$. We have basically now a classical probability distribution:

$X = \{i, w_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, d\}$. Consider now the typical sequences $i_1 i_2 \dots i_n$ will have probability $w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \dots w_{i_n}$, which satisfies (for given $\delta, \epsilon > 0$)

$2^{-n(H(X)-\delta)} \geq w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \dots w_{i_n} \geq 2^{-n(H(X)+\delta)}$ and the sum of these probabilities exceeds $1 - \epsilon$.

Schumacher compression (continued)

- Thus we see that the subspace $S_{\text{typical}} \equiv \Lambda$ of $H_S^{\otimes n}$, spanned by the pairwise orthogonal states $|\psi_{i_1}\rangle \otimes |\psi_{i_2}\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\psi_{i_n}\rangle$, corresponding to the typical sequence $i_1 i_2 \dots i_n$, has dimension equal to the total number $N(\epsilon, \delta; n)$ of such typical sequences, and for the projector P on this subspace Λ , $\text{Tr}(\rho^{\otimes n} P) =$ the total prob. of typical sequences $> 1 - \epsilon$.
- So we have: $2^{n(H(X)+\delta)} \geq N(\epsilon, \delta; n) \geq (1 - \epsilon)2^{n(H(X)-\delta)}$, where $H(X) = S(\rho)$.

Schumacher compression (continued)

- **We now use some encoding unitary operation:**

$U|\Psi_{typical}\rangle = |\Psi_{comp}\rangle \otimes |0\rangle_{useless}$, **where $|\Psi_{typical}\rangle$ is any state in the typical subspace, $|\Psi_{comp}\rangle$ is a $n(S(\rho) + \delta)$ -qubit state and $|0\rangle$ is a fixed state of Λ^\perp . Once we have $|\Psi_{comp}\rangle$, we can now get back $|\Psi_{typical}\rangle$ by applying U^{-1} by appending $|0\rangle_{useless}$.**

Schumacher compression (continued)

- **Consider now the states**

$|\Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}\rangle = |\phi_{i_1}\rangle \otimes |\phi_{i_2}\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\phi_{i_n}\rangle$ **from the ensemble**

$\rho^{\otimes n} = \{w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \dots w_{i_n}; |\Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}\rangle\}$. **We now perform**

measurement of $\{P, I - P\}$. Under this measurement,

$|\Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}\rangle \langle \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}| \mapsto P |\Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}\rangle \langle \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}| P +$

$\rho_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{junk} \langle \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}| (I - P) |\Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}\rangle \equiv \rho'_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}$ **(after applying**

above coding-decoding scheme).

Schumacher compression (continued)

- **So the fidelity of this scheme:**

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} p_{x_{i_1}} p_{x_{i_2}} \dots p_{x_{i_n}} \langle \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} | \rho'_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} | \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \rangle = \\ &\sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} p_{x_{i_1}} p_{x_{i_2}} \dots p_{x_{i_n}} \|P | \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \rangle\|^4 + \\ &\sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} p_{x_{i_1}} p_{x_{i_2}} \dots p_{x_{i_n}} \langle \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} | \rho_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{junk} | \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \rangle \times \\ &\langle \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} | (I - P) | \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \rangle \geq \\ &\sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} p_{x_{i_1}} p_{x_{i_2}} \dots p_{x_{i_n}} \|P | \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \rangle\|^4 \geq \\ &\sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} p_{x_{i_1}} p_{x_{i_2}} \dots p_{x_{i_n}} (2 \|P | \Phi_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \rangle\|^2 - 1) = \\ &2Tr(\rho^{\otimes n} P) - 1 > 1 - 2\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

- **It can be shown to be optimal!**

Appendix: Completely positive maps

- Any dynamical operation \mathcal{N} on states of a quantum system S must have the following properties:
 - (a) \mathcal{N} must be linear; in other words, it should respect superposition principle.
 - (b) It should be Hermiticity preserving; in other words, observable should be transformed into a bonafide observable (think of the Heisenberg picture).
 - (c) It should be positivity as well as trace-preserving; in other words, each density matrix should be transformed into a bonafide density matrix.
- Sudarshan, Mathews and Rau [*Phys. Rev.* (1961)] has taken the above-mentioned three conditions (a), (b) and (c) as the defining conditions for the most general quantum dynamical operation.

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- In that direction, let us consider a linear map $\mathcal{N} : \mathcal{B}(H_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{S'})$ from the Hilbert space $\mathcal{B}(H_S)$ of bounded linear operators on H_S to a Hilbert space $H_{S'}$ of bounded linear operators on $H_{S'}$. Let $\dim H_S = d$ and $\dim H_{S'} = d'$. Let us fix an orthonormal basis (ONB) $\{|e_i\rangle : i = 1, 2, \dots, d\}$ for H_S and an ONB $\{|f_k\rangle : k = 1, 2, \dots, d'\}$ for $H_{S'}$.
- For any density matrix ρ of S , let us write $\rho_{ij} = \langle e_i | \rho | e_j \rangle$. Also, with respect to the ONB $\{|f_k f_l\rangle \langle e_i e_j| : i, j = 1, 2, \dots, d; k, l = 1, 2, \dots, d'\}$, let us write $\langle e_i e_j | \mathcal{N} | f_k f_l \rangle = \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij}$.
- So, for the mapping $\rho \mapsto \mathcal{N}(\rho) \equiv \rho'$, we have the following matrix equations: $\rho'_{kl} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} \rho_{ij}$.

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **Condition (a) is automatically satisfied here via the above-mentioned matrix equations.**
- **Condition (b) implies that $(\rho'_{lk})^* = \rho'_{kl}$ if $(\rho_{ji})^* = \rho_{ij}$. So we have $\sum_{i,j=1}^d (\mathcal{N}_{lk,ij})^* \rho_{ji} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \mathcal{N}_{kl,ji} \rho_{ji}$. Thus:**

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} = (\mathcal{N}_{lk,ji})^*, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, d; \quad k, l = 1, 2, \dots, d'.$$

- **Trace-preservation in condition (c) implies that $\sum_{k=1}^{d'} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \mathcal{N}_{kk,ij} \rho_{ij} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \rho_{ij} \delta_{ij}$. Thus:**

$$(2) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{d'} \mathcal{N}_{kk,ij} = \delta_{ij}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, d.$$

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **The positivity demand in (c) implies that for all $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{d'}) \in \mathbb{C}^{d'}$ and for all $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{C}^d$:**
$$\sum_{k,l=1}^{d'} \sum_{i,j=1}^d y_k^* \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} \rho_{ij} y_l \geq 0 \text{ whenever } \sum_{i,j=1}^d x_i^* \rho_{ij} x_j.$$
- **At this point, Sudarshan et al. considered a $(d'd) \times (d'd)$ matrix $\mathcal{T} \equiv (\mathcal{T}_{ki,lj})$, defined as: $\mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} \equiv \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij}$.**
- **Then, in terms of the linear operator \mathcal{T} , equation (1) says that \mathcal{T} is Hermitian:**

$$(3) \quad \mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} = (\mathcal{T}_{lj,ki})^*.$$

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- Equation (2) becomes:

$$(4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{d'} \mathcal{T}_{ki,kj} \equiv (\text{Tr}_{S'}(\mathcal{T}))_{ij} = \delta_{ij}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, d.$$

- Now by equation (3), we have the spectral decomposition of \mathcal{T} :

$$(5) \quad \mathcal{T} = \sum_{k=1}^{d'} \sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_{ki} |\Psi_{ki}\rangle \langle \Psi_{ki}|,$$

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **where** $\lambda_{ki} \in \mathbb{R}$, $|\Psi_{ki}\rangle \equiv \sum_{l=1}^{d'} \sum_{j=1}^d a_{lj}^{(ki)} |e_j f_l\rangle$, **and**

$$\sum_{l=1}^{d'} \sum_{j=1}^d (a_{lj}^{(ki)})^* a_{lj}^{(k'i')} = \delta_{kk'} \delta_{ii'}.$$
- **Thus we see that:** $\mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} = \mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} = \langle e_i f_k | \mathcal{T} | e_j f_l \rangle =$

$$\sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} (a_{lj}^{(k'i')})^*.$$
- **We then have** $\sum_{k,l=1}^{d'} \sum_{i,j=1}^d y_k^* \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} \rho_{ij} y_l =$

$$\sum_{k,l=1}^{d'} \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} y_k^* a_{ki}^{(k'i')} \rho_{ij} y_l (a_{lj}^{(k'i')})^* =$$

$$\sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} \left\{ \sum_{i,j=1}^d \left(\sum_{k=1}^{d'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} y_k^* \right) \rho_{ij} \left(\sum_{l=1}^{d'} a_{lj}^{(k'i')} y_l^* \right)^* \right\} \equiv$$

$$\sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} \left\{ \sum_{i,j=1}^d (x_i^{(k'i')})^* \rho_{ij} (x_j^{(k'i')}) \right\}, \text{ where}$$

$$x_i^{(k'i')} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{d'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} y_k^* \right)^* \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, d.$$
- **As** ρ **is a state, therefore,** $\sum_{k,l=1}^{d'} \sum_{i,j=1}^d y_k^* \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} \rho_{ij} y_l \geq 0$
if all $\lambda_{k'i'}$ **'s are non-negative, i.e., if** $\mathcal{T} \geq 0$.

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **Assumption (1): \mathcal{T} is a positive operator.**
- **Thus we see that all the three conditions (a), (b) and (c) will be simultaneously satisfied if the linear operator $\mathcal{T} : \mathcal{L}^{d'd} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{d'd}$ is Hermitian, $Tr_{S'}(\mathcal{T}) = I_{d \times d}$ and all the eigen values of \mathcal{T} are non-negative, where $\dim(H_{S'}) = d'$.**
- **We will now see that the Assumption (1) is stronger than what is needed to satisfy all the three conditions (a), (b) and (c).**
- **Consider an arbitrary quantum system T where $\dim(H_T) = D$ can be any positive integer. Consider now the **linear map** $(\mathcal{N} \otimes I) : \mathcal{B}(H_S \otimes H_T) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{S'} \otimes H_T)$, where $I : \mathcal{B}(H_T) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_T)$ is the identity map.**

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

• **Any density matrix σ of the combined system $S + T$ can be written as:** $\sigma = \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} \rho_{\alpha}^{(S)} \otimes \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)}$, where

$\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)} \in \mathcal{D}(H_S)$, $\tau_{\alpha}^{(T)} \in \mathcal{D}(H_T)$, and w_{α} 's are real numbers such that $\sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} = 1$.

• **So** $(\mathcal{N} \otimes I)(\sigma) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} (\mathcal{N}(\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)}) \otimes \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)})$.

• **Then** $\{(\mathcal{N} \otimes I)(\sigma)\}^{\dagger} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} (\{\mathcal{N}(\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)})\}^{\dagger} \otimes \{\tau_{\alpha}^{(T)}\}^{\dagger}) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} (\mathcal{N}(\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)}) \otimes \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)})$, as \mathcal{N} is a **Hermiticity-preserving operator. So $(\mathcal{N} \otimes I)$ is a Hermiticity-preserving operator.**

• $Tr[(\mathcal{N} \otimes I)(\sigma)] = \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} (Tr[\mathcal{N}(\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)})] \times Tr[\tau_{\alpha}^{(T)}]) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} = 1$, as \mathcal{N} is a trace-preserving map. So **$(\mathcal{N} \otimes I)$ is trace-preserving.**

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **Finally, for any**

$|\eta\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^{d'} \sum_{m=1}^D b_{km} |f_k g_m\rangle \in (H_{S'} \otimes H_T)$ (where $\{|g_m\rangle : m = 1, 2, \dots, D\}$ is an ONB for H_T), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \eta | (\mathcal{N} \otimes I)(\sigma) | \eta \rangle &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} \langle \eta | (\mathcal{N}(\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)}) \otimes \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)}) | \eta \rangle = \\
 &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^M \sum_{k,l=1}^d \sum_{m,n=1}^D w_{\alpha} b_{km}^* b_{ln} \langle f_k | \mathcal{N}(\rho_{\alpha}^{(S)}) | f_l \rangle \langle g_m | \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)} | g_n \rangle = \\
 &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^M \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sum_{k,l=1}^{d'} \sum_{m,n=1}^D w_{\alpha} b_{km}^* b_{ln} \mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} \langle e_i | \rho_{\alpha}^{(S)} | e_j \rangle \langle g_m | \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)} | g_n \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^M \sum_{i,i',j=1}^d \sum_{k,k',l=1}^{d'} \sum_{m,n=1}^D w_{\alpha} b_{km}^* b_{ln} \lambda_{k'i'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} (a_{lj}^{(k'i')})^* \times \\
 &\langle e_i | \rho_{\alpha}^{(S)} | e_j \rangle \langle g_m | \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)} | g_n \rangle = \\
 &= \sum_{i,i',j=1}^d \sum_{k,k',l=1}^{d'} \sum_{m,n=1}^D b_{km}^* b_{ln} \lambda_{k'i'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} (a_{lj}^{(k'i')})^* \times \\
 &\langle e_i g_m | (\sum_{\alpha=1}^M w_{\alpha} \rho_{\alpha}^{(S)} \otimes \tau_{\alpha}^{(T)}) | e_j g_n \rangle = \\
 &= \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} \langle \Phi^{(k'i')} | \sigma | \Phi^{(k'i')} \rangle,
 \end{aligned}$$

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **where** $|\Phi^{(k'i')}\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{m=1}^D (\sum_{k=1}^{d'} b_{km} (a_{ki}^{(k'i')})^*) |e_i g_m\rangle$.
- **Thus, under Assumption (1), it follows that $(\mathcal{N} \otimes I)$ is a positivity-preserving map, irrespective of the dimension D of H_T .**
- **So, \mathcal{N} is CP map. What about the Kraus representation of \mathcal{N} ?**
- **Here** $\langle f_k | \mathcal{N}(\rho) | f_l \rangle \equiv \sum_{i,j=1}^d \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} \rho_{ij} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} \rho_{ij} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} (a_{lj}^{(k'i')})^* \langle e_i | \rho | e_j \rangle \equiv \sum_{i,j=1}^d \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \langle f_k | A^{(k'i')} | e_i \rangle \langle e_i | \rho | e_j \rangle \langle e_j | (A^{(k'i')})^\dagger | f_l \rangle = \langle f_k | \{ \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d A^{(k'i')} \rho (A^{(k'i')})^\dagger \} | f_l \rangle$, **where**
 $A^{(k'i')} = \sum_{k=1}^{d'} \sum_{i=1}^d \sqrt{\lambda_{k'i'}} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} | f_k \rangle \langle e_i |$.

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- **Note that** $\sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d (A^{(k'i')})^\dagger A^{(k'i')} = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{d'} \left(\sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d \lambda_{k'i'} a_{ki}^{(k'i')} (a_{kj}^{(k'i')})^* \right) \right\}^* |e_i\rangle \langle e_j| = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \left\{ \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \mathcal{T}_{ki,kj} \right\}^* |e_i\rangle \langle e_j| = \sum_{i,j=1}^d \delta_{ij} |e_i\rangle \langle e_j| = I_{d \times d}$.
- **Thus a Kraus representation for the CP map**
 $\rho \mapsto \mathcal{N}(\rho)$ **is given by:** $\mathcal{N}(\rho) = \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d A^{(k'i')} \rho (A^{(k'i')})^\dagger$.
- **Thus we see that Assumption (1) regarding the map** \mathcal{T} , **given by equation (5), not only makes the Hermiticity-preserving linear map** \mathcal{N} **positive, it also makes it a CP map!**

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- In the case when $d = d'$, Sudarshan et al. have initially taken the positivity condition for the map \mathcal{N} as:

$$(6) \quad \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^d x_k^* y_l^* \mathcal{N}_{kl,ij} x_i y_j \geq 0 \text{ for all } x_i, y_j, x_k, y_l \in \mathbb{C}.$$

- But after introducing the map \mathcal{T} , Sudarshan et al. have considered a stronger positivity condition, given as:

$$(7) \quad \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^d z_{ki}^* \mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} z_{lj} \geq 0 \text{ for all } z_{ki}, z_{lj} \in \mathbb{C},$$

Appendix: Completely positive maps (continued)

- instead of considering just the condition (6), i.e. the condition that

$$\sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^d x_k^* x_i \mathcal{T}_{ki,lj} y_l^* y_j \geq 0 \text{ for all } x_i, y_j, x_k, y_l \in \mathbb{C}.$$

- Note that condition (7) is nothing but Assumption (1)!

- Try to construct a linear operator

$U : (H_S \otimes H_T) \rightarrow (H_{S'} \otimes H_T)$ and a fixed state $|0\rangle_T \in H_T$, where $\dim H_T = d'd$, such that $U^\dagger U = I_{(d'(d'd)) \times (d'(d'd))}$ and

${}_T \langle e_{i'} f_{k'} | U | 0 \rangle_T \equiv A^{(k'i')}$ for all $k' = 1, 2, \dots, d'$ and for all $i' = 1, 2, \dots, d$. This will give us:

$\mathcal{N}(\rho) = \sum_{k'=1}^{d'} \sum_{i'=1}^d {}_T \langle e_{i'} f_{k'} | U (\rho \otimes |0\rangle_T \langle 0|) U^\dagger | e_{i'} f_{k'} \rangle_T$ for all states ρ of S .

Appendix: Unitary realization of the bit-flip channel

- Show that the unitary operator

$U : H_S \otimes H_T \rightarrow H_S \otimes H_T$ (where $\dim H_S = \dim H_T = 2$),

given by

$$U|00\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{p}|00\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|11\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|10\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{p}|10\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|01\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|01\rangle_{ST} = -\sqrt{p}|11\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|00\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|11\rangle_{ST} = -\sqrt{p}|01\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|10\rangle_{ST},$$

‘realizes’ the bit-flip channel, i.e., for any single-qubit

density matrix ρ_S , we have $\text{Tr}_T[U(\rho_S \otimes |0\rangle_T\langle 0|)U^\dagger] =$

$$(\sqrt{p}I)\rho_S(\sqrt{p}I) + (\sqrt{1-p}\sigma_x)\rho_S(\sqrt{1-p}\sigma_x).$$

Appendix: Unitary realization of the phase-flip channel

- Show that the unitary operator

$U : H_S \otimes H_T \rightarrow H_S \otimes H_T$ (where $\dim H_S = \dim H_T = 2$),
given by

$$U|+0\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{p}|+0\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|-1\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|-0\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{p}|-0\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|+1\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|+1\rangle_{ST} = -\sqrt{p}|-1\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|+0\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|-1\rangle_{ST} = -\sqrt{p}|+1\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|-0\rangle_{ST},$$

‘realizes’ the phase-flip channel, i.e., for any
single-qubit density matrix ρ_S , we have

$$\text{Tr}_T[U(\rho_S \otimes |0\rangle_T\langle 0|)U^\dagger] = (\sqrt{1-p}\sigma_z)\rho_S(\sqrt{1-p}\sigma_z) + (\sqrt{p}I)\rho_S(\sqrt{p}I), \text{ where } |\pm\rangle = (1/\sqrt{2})(|0\rangle \pm |1\rangle).$$

Appendix: Unitary realization of the bit-phase flip channel

- Show that the unitary operator

$U : H_S \otimes H_T \rightarrow H_S \otimes H_T$ (where $\dim H_S = \dim H_T = 2$),
given by

$$U|+y0\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{p}|+y0\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|-y1\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|-y0\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{p}|-y0\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|+y1\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|+y1\rangle_{ST} = -\sqrt{p}|-y1\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|+y0\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|-y1\rangle_{ST} = -\sqrt{p}|+y1\rangle_{ST} + \sqrt{1-p}|-y0\rangle_{ST},$$

‘realizes’ the phase-flip channel, i.e., for any
single-qubit density matrix ρ_S , we have

$$\text{Tr}_T[U(\rho_S \otimes |0\rangle_T\langle 0|)U^\dagger] = (\sqrt{1-p}\sigma_y)\rho_S(\sqrt{1-p}\sigma_y) + (\sqrt{p}I)\rho_S(\sqrt{p}I), \text{ where } |\pm y\rangle = (1/\sqrt{2})(|0\rangle \pm i|1\rangle).$$

Appendix: Unitary realization of the amplitude damping channel

- **Show that the unitary operator**

$U : H_S \otimes H_T \rightarrow H_S \otimes H_T$ (where $\dim H_S = \dim H_T = 2$),
given by

$$U|00\rangle_{ST} = |00\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|10\rangle_{ST} = \cos\theta|10\rangle_{ST} + \sin\theta|01\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|01\rangle_{ST} = |11\rangle_{ST},$$

$$U|11\rangle_{ST} = \sin\theta|10\rangle_{ST} - \cos\theta|01\rangle_{ST},$$

'realizes' the amplitude damping channel, i.e., for any single-qubit density matrix ρ_S , we have

$$\text{Tr}_T[U(\rho_S \otimes |0\rangle_T\langle 0|)U^\dagger] = E_0\rho_S E_0^\dagger + E_1\rho_S E_1^\dagger, \text{ where}$$

$$0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2 \text{ and } E_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0| + \cos\theta|1\rangle\langle 1|, E_1 = \sin\theta|0\rangle\langle 1|.$$

Appendix: Unitary realization of the depolarizing channel

- Show that the unitary operator

$U : H_S \otimes H_T \rightarrow H_S \otimes H_T$ (where $\dim H_S = 2$ and $\dim H_T = 4$), given by $U|00\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{1 - 3p/4}|00\rangle_{ST} + (\sqrt{p}/2)|01\rangle_{ST} + i(\sqrt{p}/2)|12\rangle_{ST} + (\sqrt{p}/2)|13\rangle_{ST}$, $U|10\rangle_{ST} = \sqrt{1 - 3p/4}|10\rangle_{ST} - (\sqrt{p}/2)|11\rangle_{ST} - i(\sqrt{p}/2)|02\rangle_{ST} + (\sqrt{p}/2)|03\rangle_{ST}$ (actions of U on other basis elements defined suitably), ‘realizes’ the depolarizing channel, i.e., for any single-qubit density matrix ρ_S , we have

$$\text{Tr}_T[U(\rho_S \otimes |0\rangle_T\langle 0|)U^\dagger] = (\sqrt{1 - 3p/4}I)\rho_S(\sqrt{1 - 3p/4}I) + ((\sqrt{p}/2)\sigma_x)\rho_S((\sqrt{p}/2)\sigma_x) + ((\sqrt{p}/2)\sigma_y)\rho_S((\sqrt{p}/2)\sigma_y) + ((\sqrt{p}/2)\sigma_z)\rho_S((\sqrt{p}/2)\sigma_z).$$