



Homework 6

Instructions

- (1) Write the answers clearly and show the necessary mathematics.
- (2) Doing homeworks is essential to understand the subject.
- (3) For your own good, do not copy.
- (4) Submission due date: 14 November 2014
- (5) Assignment problems are not an exhaustive list of problems. You are encouraged to do more problems presented in standard books.

Note: Wherever required, consider the orthonormal basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$.

H6.1 Show that the following system is in a mixed state.

$$|\psi_1\rangle = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}|0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}|1\rangle \quad w_1 = 0.65$$

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}|0\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|1\rangle \quad w_1 = 0.35$$

H6.2 Find out the system described by the following density operator is a pure state or not.

$$\rho = \frac{1}{4}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{3}{4}|1\rangle\langle 1| + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}|0\rangle\langle 1| + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}|1\rangle\langle 0|$$



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H6.3 An ensemble Q_1 is prepared such that $|0\rangle$ is occupied with probability $\frac{1}{4}$ and $|1\rangle$ is occupied with probability $\frac{3}{4}$.

Let's define

$$|a\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} |0\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} |1\rangle$$

$$|b\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} |0\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} |1\rangle$$

Another ensemble Q_2 is prepared such that the probability to occupy $|a\rangle$ is $\frac{1}{2}$ and to occupy $|b\rangle$ is $\frac{1}{2}$. Show that the density operators for ensembles Q_1 and Q_2 are the same.

H6.4 For any arbitrary state kets $|A\rangle$ and $|B\rangle$ show that $Tr(|A\rangle\langle B|) = \langle B|A\rangle$.

H6.5 Suppose a composite of systems A and B is in the state $|01\rangle$, where $|0\rangle$ is a pure state of system A and $|1\rangle$ is a pure state of system B . Find the reduced density operator of system A and show it's a pure state.



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H6.6 Compute and compare the Von Neumann Entropy for the following two systems.

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

(b) $|\psi_1\rangle = |0\rangle, \quad w_1 = 0.75$

$|\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle), \quad w_2 = 0.25$

H6.7 A two qubit system is in the following Bell state

$$|\phi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB})$$

Compute the Entropies, $S(\rho_{AB})$ and $S(\rho_A)$.