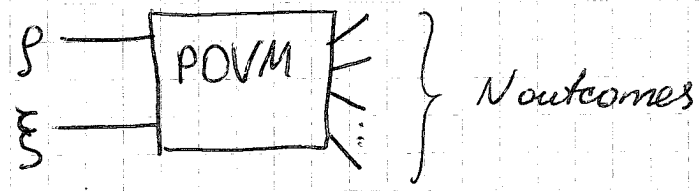


Episode 3

Comparison of quantum states based on probabilities of outcomes



$$p_i = \text{tr}[E_i(\rho)]$$

POVM effect # i

Unambiguous comparison: possible answers

- "same"
- "different"
- "I don't know"

← only for locally-info-complete measurements with infinite precision

2-outcome POVM: (almost universal comparison)

$$E_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}, E_2 = I - E_1$$

Exercise:

POVM = { π_+ , π_- }

$\text{ran}(p_{\text{same}}) = ?$

$\text{ran}(p_{\text{diff}}) = ?$

Answer: $p_{\text{same}} \in [0, 1/2]$

$p_{\text{diff}} \in (0, 1/2]$

All details and quantitative description see in

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Episode 4

Quantum channels

Def. Mapping \mathcal{E} on $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{H})$ is a channel if it is

- linear
- trace preserving
- completely positive

Def. A linear mapping $\mathcal{E}: \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{H})$ is completely positive if the mapping $\mathcal{E} \otimes \mathcal{I}_B$ is positive for all finite dimensional extensions of \mathcal{H}_B .

Matrix representation: $\{\sigma_0, \dots, \sigma_{d^2-1}\}$ is a basis of orthogonal operators

Any operator $A = \sum_j a_j \sigma_j$, $a_j = \frac{\text{tr}[\sigma_j^* A]}{\text{tr}[\sigma_j^* \sigma_j]}$

$$\mathcal{E}(A) = \sum_{j,k} \frac{\text{tr}[\sigma_j^* \mathcal{E}(\sigma_k)]}{\text{tr}[\sigma_j^* \sigma_j]} \frac{\text{tr}[\sigma_k^* A]}{\text{tr}[\sigma_k^* \sigma_k]} \sigma_j = \sum_{j,k} E_{jk} \text{tr}[\sigma_k^* A] \sigma_j$$

$$\vec{t} \rightarrow \|\mathcal{E}\| \vec{t}$$

matrix

Matrix representation for qubits ($d=2$).

$$\sigma_0 = I, \sigma_1 = \sigma_x, \sigma_2 = \sigma_y, \sigma_3 = \sigma_z$$

$$E_{jk} = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} [E(\sigma_j) \sigma_k]$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} (I + \vec{r} \cdot \vec{\sigma})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_{jk} \\ 4 \times 4 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\begin{array}{c|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline t_1 & & & \\ t_2 & & T & \\ t_3 & & 3 \times 3 & \end{array} \right)$$

$$E(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} (I + \vec{r}' \cdot \vec{\sigma})$$

$$\vec{r}' = T \cdot \vec{r} + \vec{t}$$

Def. Channel E is called unital if $E(I) = I$

For qubits it means $\vec{t} = 0$.

Choi-Jamiołkowski representation

Informally: $E: \mathcal{H}_d \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_d$ is represented by $d^2 \times d^2$ matrix that is associated with a state $\rho \in \mathcal{H}_{d^2}$

Choi theorem: Let $E: \mathcal{M}_d \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_d$ be a positive linear mapping. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1) E is completely positive
- (2) E is d -positive, i.e. $E \otimes \mathbb{I}_d$ is a positive map

(3) the matrix

$$\Phi_E = \begin{pmatrix} E(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_1|) & \dots & E(|\varphi_1\rangle\langle\varphi_d|) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ E(|\varphi_d\rangle\langle\varphi_1|) & \dots & E(|\varphi_d\rangle\langle\varphi_d|) \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive, where $\{|\varphi_j\rangle\}$ is any orthonormal basis of d -dimensional Hilbert space and $E(|\varphi_j\rangle\langle\varphi_k|)$ is an element of \mathcal{M}_d .

Proof. (1) \rightarrow (2) by definition of completely positive map.

$$(2) \rightarrow (3) \quad M = \sum_{j,k} |\varphi_j \otimes \varphi_j\rangle\langle\varphi_k \otimes \varphi_k| \geq 0$$

By positivity of $E \otimes \mathbb{I}_d$ the matrix $M' = (E \otimes \mathbb{I}_d)(M)$ is positive. Since $M' = E(|\varphi_j\rangle\langle\varphi_k|) \otimes |\varphi_j\rangle\langle\varphi_k| = \Phi_E$, the positivity of Φ_E follows.

(3) → (1) $\psi_\ell \in \mathbb{C}^{d'} \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$ are eigenvectors (subnormalized) of the positive operator Φ_ℓ , $\ell=1, \dots, n \leq dd'$

$$\mathbb{C}^{d'} \otimes \mathbb{C}^d = \underbrace{\mathbb{C}^{d'} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{C}^{d'}}_{d \text{ times}}$$

Let $P_j: \mathbb{C}^{d'} \otimes \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{d'}$ be a projection onto the j th 'copy' of $\mathbb{C}^{d'}$. Then $E[|\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_k|] = P_j \Phi_\ell P_k = \sum_\ell P_j |\psi_\ell\rangle\langle\psi_\ell| P_k = \sum_\ell |P_j \psi_\ell\rangle\langle P_k \psi_\ell| = \sum_\ell |V_\ell \psi_j\rangle\langle V_\ell \psi_k| = \sum_\ell V_\ell |\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_k| V_\ell^*$

define $n \leq dd'$ operators $V_\ell: \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{d'}$,
 $V_\ell \psi_j = P_j \psi_\ell$

$$E(X) = \sum_\ell V_\ell X V_\ell^*$$

completely positive map
 Q.E.D.

Choi-Jamiolkowski isomorphism:

$$J: E \rightarrow \Omega_E = (E \otimes I)[P_+], \quad P_+ = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j,k=1}^d |\psi_j \otimes \psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_k \otimes \psi_k|$$

maximally entangled state.

Informally: Channels $E(\mathcal{H}_d) \iff$ States $S(\mathcal{H}_{d^2})$

Exercise: Find the matrix representation and Choi matrix for the following qubit map: $E[X] = q_0 X + q_1 \sigma_x X \sigma_x + q_2 \sigma_y X \sigma_y + q_3 \sigma_z X \sigma_z$.

Find necessary and sufficient conditions for map E to be completely positive and trace preserving.

Answers: Matrix representation $(E_{jk}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}$, where

$$\lambda_1 = q_0 + q_1 - q_2 - q_3$$

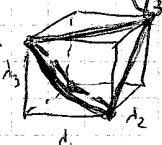
$$\lambda_2 = q_0 - q_1 + q_2 - q_3$$

$$\lambda_3 = q_0 - q_1 - q_2 + q_3$$

$1 = q_0 + q_1 + q_2 + q_3$ is trace preservation condition.

Choi matrix $\Phi = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1+\lambda_3 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_1+\lambda_2 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda_3 & \lambda_1-\lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1-\lambda_2 & 1-\lambda_3 & 0 \\ \lambda_1+\lambda_2 & 0 & 0 & 1+\lambda_3 \end{pmatrix} \geq 0 \iff \begin{cases} |1+\lambda_3| \geq |\lambda_1+\lambda_2| \\ |1-\lambda_3| \geq |\lambda_1-\lambda_2| \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} q_0 \geq 0 \\ q_1 \geq 0 \\ q_2 \geq 0 \\ q_3 \geq 0 \end{cases}$

E is a valid channel if point $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$ is inside tetrahedron



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