

QIC 820 Part 1 lecture 3

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Recall: register X , associated CES X .

A quantum state is represented by a density operator.

Set of all density operators $D(X) = \{ \rho \in \text{Pos}(X) : \text{tr} \rho = 1 \}$.

Spectral decomposition: $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim(X)} p(i) u_i u_i^*$, $p = \text{prob vector}$
 $\{u_i\} \subseteq X$

Def: State is pure if density operator is rank 1.

Obs:

① $D(X)$ convex

② Extreme points of $D(X)$: $\{ u u^* : u \in X, \|u\| = 1 \}$

③ $D(X)$ compact

To see ③, $D(X)$ is clearly bounded, so only need to show $D(X)$ closed, or equivalently, $L(X) \setminus D(X)$ open.

$$L(X) \setminus D(X) = \{ A \in L(X) : A \notin \text{Herm} \} \cup \{ A \in L(X) : A \notin \text{Pos}(X) \} \\ \cup \{ A \in L(X) : \text{tr} A \neq 1 \}$$

Each of these 3 sets are open (first principle), and so is their union.



(See LN for alt proof.)

Intuitively, $A \notin \text{Herm}$, $A \notin \text{Pos}(X)$, $\text{tr} A \neq 1$ are properties robust against small perturbation.

Def: Let X_i , $i=1, \dots, n$, be registers, $\rho_i \in D(X_i)$.

Then $\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_n \in D(X_1 \otimes X_2 \otimes \dots \otimes X_n)$.

It is called a "product state."

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Def: X register. A measurement is specified by

① $\Gamma =$ non-empty finite set (of outcomes)

② function $M: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Pos}(X)$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{a \in \Gamma} M(a) = \mathbb{1}_X.$$

or POVM element, M_a

Each $M(a)$ is a "measurement operator" corr to outcome a .

Axiom: If state is $\rho \in D(X)$, and above meas applied, then

① outcome register is in state $\sigma = E_{a|a}$
with prob $p(a) = \langle M(a), \rho \rangle$

② X ceases to exist (demolition meas)

Obs: All linear functions from $D(X)$ to prob vectors
correspond to measurements.

Obs: We will derive non-demolition meas from demolition meas later.

Def: If $M(a)$ is a projector for each $a \in \Gamma$, M is called a projective meas

NB: Since $\sum_{a \in \Gamma} M(a) = \mathbb{1}_X$, the meas's project onto mutually orthogonal subspaces.

Def: If $M(a) = U_a U_a^*$ for an o.n basis $\{U_a\}$ of X

we say that the measurement is along the basis $\{U_a\}$.

Example = Holevo-Helstrom theorem.

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Task: Alice picks 0, 1 with prob p_0, p_1 .

If outcome is i , prepares ρ_i in register X .

She gives X to Bob, who replies with $j \in \{0, 1\}$.

What meas maximizes $\text{Prob}(i=j)$?

Lemma: $M \in \text{Herm}(X)$, $\|M\|_1 = \max \{ \text{Tr} MT : T \in \text{Herm}(X), -\mathbb{1}_X \leq T \leq \mathbb{1}_X \}$

Pf: Let $M = \sum_K \lambda_K \chi_K \chi_K^*$ be spec decomp

$$M_{\pm} = \sum_{K: \lambda_K \gtrless 0} |\lambda_K| \chi_K \chi_K^*$$

$$\Pi_{\pm} = \sum_{K: \lambda_K \gtrless 0} \chi_K \chi_K^*$$

Then $M = M_+ - M_-$, $\|M\|_1 = \text{tr} M_+ + \text{tr} M_-$.

(a) Let $-\mathbb{1}_X \leq T \leq \mathbb{1}_X$.

Define T_+, T_- similarly to M_{\pm} .

Then: $T_+ \leq \mathbb{1}$, $T_- \leq \mathbb{1}$ (omit X).

$$\text{Tr} MT = \text{Tr} (M_+ - M_-) (T_+ - T_-)$$

$$= \underbrace{\text{Tr} M_+ T_+}_{\leq \text{Tr} M_+} + \underbrace{\text{Tr} M_- T_-}_{\leq \text{Tr} M_-} - \underbrace{\text{Tr} M_+ T_-}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{\text{Tr} M_- T_+}_{\geq 0}$$

$$= \|M\|_1$$

(b) $T = \Pi_+ - \Pi_-$, all 4 ineq are equalities

$$\therefore \text{Tr} MT = \|M\|_1$$

Pf (HHT) Let Bob's meas operator be M_0, M_1 . ($M_0 = \mu_0$)

Let $T = M_0 - M_1$.

$\therefore \mathbb{1} = M_0 + M_1, M_0 = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{1}_x + T)$

As $0 \leq M_0 \leq \mathbb{1}, -\mathbb{1} \leq T \leq \mathbb{1}$.

$Prob(i=j) = Prob(j=0 | i=0) \times p_0 + Prob(j=1 | i=1) \times p_1$

$= (Tr M_0 \rho_0) p_0 + (Tr M_1 \rho_1) p_1$

$= \frac{1}{2} [Tr(\mathbb{1}_x + T) \rho_0 p_0 + Tr(\mathbb{1}_x - T) \rho_1 p_1]$

$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + Tr(\rho_0 p_0 - \rho_1 p_1) T)$

$\max_M Prob(i=j) = \max_{-1 \leq T \leq 1} \frac{1}{2} (1 + Tr(\rho_0 p_0 - \rho_1 p_1) T)$

$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + \|\rho_0 p_0 - \rho_1 p_1\|_1)$

with optimal $T = \Pi_+ - \Pi_-$

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proj onto + espace of $\rho_0 p_0 - \rho_1 p_1$

$M_0 = \text{proj onto } \frac{+}{-}$ espace of $\rho_0 p_0 - \rho_1 p_1$

Sec 3.2 Info complete measurement: reading ex.

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Sec 3.1.3 Product measurements

For n registers X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n , the meas

$$M: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Pos}(X_1 \otimes \dots \otimes X_n)$$

is a product meas if $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \times \dots \times \Gamma_n$, and \exists meas

$$\mu_i: \Gamma_i \rightarrow \text{Pos}(X_i)$$

$$\text{s.t. } M(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \mu_1(a_1) \otimes \mu_2(a_2) \otimes \dots \otimes \mu_n(a_n) \quad \forall a_i \in \Gamma_i, i=1, \dots, n$$

NB: when we say \exists meas μ_i , we imply $\sum_{j=1}^{|\Gamma_j|} \mu_i(a_j) = \mathbb{1}_{X_j}$.

Qn: if all $M(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ are tensor product operators, does it give a product meas?

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More on this last part of course.

Sec 3.1.4 Channels

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Q channels transform states of one register into states of another register.

Mathematically: $\Phi: L(X) \rightarrow L(Y)$

s.t Φ is linear, trace-preserving, completely positive
so that $\mathbb{1} \otimes \Phi$ maps states to states

• trace preserving: $\text{tr}(\Phi(A)) = \text{tr}(A)$

• completely positive: $\forall C \in \mathbb{Z}, A \in \text{Pos}(X \otimes \mathbb{Z})$

$$\Phi \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{Z}}(A) \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes \mathbb{Z})$$

Physically, when Φ is applied to X in state ρ

X ceases to exist, replaced by Y

and state $\rho \in D(X)$ is replaced by $\Phi(\rho) \in D(Y)$.

Returning to Sec 2.2, $T(X, Y) = L(L(X), L(Y))$ (*note linear)

$$T(X, X) =: T(X)$$

Nothing new yet: $L(X), L(Y)$'s are CESs.

We've learnt about linear ops in Sec 1.2.

eg Addition and scalar mult: in $T(X, Y)$

eg. $T(X, Y)$ is CES with dim....

eg. $\Phi \in T(X, Y), \Phi^* \in T(Y, X) = L(L(Y), L(X))$ defined by

$$\forall A \in L(Y), B \in L(X), \langle A, \Phi(B) \rangle = \langle \Phi^*(A), B \rangle$$

eg. Tensor product (Sec 2.2.1) of $\Phi_i: L(X_i) \rightarrow L(Y_i)$, $i=1, \dots, n$ ⑦
denoted $\Phi_1 \otimes \Phi_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \Phi_n$
takes $L(X_1 \otimes X_2 \otimes \dots \otimes X_n)$ to $L(Y_1 \otimes Y_2 \otimes \dots \otimes Y_n)$
s.t. $\Phi_1 \otimes \Phi_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \Phi_n (A_1 \otimes \dots \otimes A_n) = \Phi_1(A_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \Phi_n(A_n)$
for all $A_i \in L(X_i)$, $i=1, \dots, n$.

NB $\Phi \in T(X, Y)$ are sometimes called superoperators
to distinguish them from operators.

Q. What is a super-super operator? (A: maybe...)

Important superoperator and Q channels:

① Identity $I_X: L(X) \rightarrow L(X)$ $(\mathbb{1}_{L(X)} = I_X = I)$
 $I_X(A) = A$

linear, trace preserving, completely positive.

Also called the "noiseless channel" on X .

② Transpose $T: L(X) \rightarrow L(X)$
 $T(A) = A^T$

linear, trace preserving, NOT completely positive.

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim(X)} e_i \otimes e_i \quad \left(\sum_i |i\rangle\langle i| \right)$$

$$I \otimes T(u u^*) \not\geq 0$$

③ Kraus maps $T: L(X) \rightarrow L(Y)$

$$T(A) = \sum_{k=1}^r A_k A A_k^*$$

$$\text{st. } A_k \in L(X, Y), \quad \sum_{k=1}^r A_k^* A_k = \mathbb{I}_X$$

linear, trace preserving $\because \text{tr}(T(A)) = \sum_{k=1}^r \text{tr}(A_k A A_k^*)$
 $= \sum_{k=1}^r \text{tr}(A_k^* A_k A) = \text{tr} A$

complete positive: $\forall Z, \forall B \in \text{Pos}(X \otimes Z)$

$$(A_k \otimes \mathbb{I}_Z) B (A_k \otimes \mathbb{I}_Z)^* \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Z)$$

same when sum over k .

④ Trace: $\text{Tr}: L(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
 $A \mapsto \text{tr} A$

linear, trace-preserving. To see complete positivity, use an o.n basis $\{x_i\}$

$$\text{and } \text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim(X)} x_i^* A x_i \quad \text{st.} \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\dim(X)} x_i x_i^* = \mathbb{I}_X \quad \therefore \text{Tr is a Kraus map.}$$

very important

$\text{Tr}_X \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y$ is also a Q channel $\forall Y$.

$$\text{Tr}_X \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y =: \text{Tr}_X$$

Pf 1: has Kraus form $\sum_{i=1}^{\dim(X)} (x_i^* \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y) A (x_i \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y)$

Pf 2: if Tr_X CP, $(\text{Tr}_X \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y) \otimes \mathbb{I}_Z$ preserves positivity $\forall Y, Z$.

5) Measurements (Sec 6.1)

a) Non-demolition measurements / instruments

Consider a measurement on X defined by $M: \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Pos}(X)$

$$\sum_{a \in \Gamma} M(a) = \mathbb{I}_X.$$

Let $M_a \in L(X, Z)$ satisfy $M_a^* M_a = M(a)$.

(eg, $Z=X$, $M_a = M(a)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ← function on normal ops).

$$\text{Consider } \Phi(A) = \sum_{a \in \Gamma} \underbrace{M_a A M_a^*}_{\text{in } L(Z)} \otimes \underbrace{e_a e_a^*}_{\text{in } \mathbb{C}^\Gamma} \leftarrow |a\rangle\langle a|$$

Ex: show that Φ is linear, trace-preserving, completely-positive.

$$\text{NB } \Phi(A) = \sum_{a \in \Gamma} \underbrace{(M_a \otimes e_a)}_{\text{in } L(X, Z \otimes \mathbb{C}^\Gamma)} A (M_a \otimes e_a)^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \text{Tr}_Z \Phi(A) &= \sum_{a \in \Gamma} \text{tr}(M_a A M_a^*) e_a e_a^* \\ &= \sum_{a \in \Gamma} \langle M_a, A \rangle e_a e_a^* = \text{meas defined by } M. \end{aligned}$$

Since Φ & Tr_Z are both Q channels, so is meas defined by M .

(Note linearity, tr-pr, cp all preserved under composition.)

③ Partial measurements or meas one of many systems **(*) Super-important**

Consider meas defined in (5.6), taking X to ZG (associated w/ X, Z, C^{Γ}).

Let Y be collection of all unmeasured registers.

Let $\rho \in D(XY)$ be initial state.

Final state after measurement is:

$$\mathbb{E} \otimes I_Y (\rho) = \sum_{a \in \Gamma} (M_a \otimes I_Y) \rho (M_a^* \otimes I_Y) \otimes e_a e_a^*$$

(Sec 3.3 + Sec 6.1)

⑥ (a) Unitary channels: if $U \in U(X)$

then $\mathbb{E}(A) = \underbrace{U A U^{\dagger}}_{\text{Kraus map}}$ is a Q channel

⑥ (b) Mixed unitary channels if $U_k \in U(X), k=1, \dots, r$

Sec 6.2.3

then $\mathbb{E}(A) = \sum_{k=1}^r p_k U_k A U_k^{\dagger}$ is a Q channel

$\{p_k\}$ prob vector.

⑦ Dephasing and depolarizing channels. (Sec 6.3.2)

X (CS, $\{e_a\}_{a=1}^{\dim(X)}$ fixed o.n. basis.

Dephasing channel $\Delta(A) = \text{diag}(A)$

$$\text{i.e. } (\Delta(A))_{a,a} = A_{a,a}$$

$$(\Delta(A))_{a,b} = 0 \quad \text{if } a \neq b.$$

Depolarizing channel $\Omega(A) = (\text{tr} A) \frac{1_X}{\dim X}$

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• If $\mathcal{X} = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$

$\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3 = \mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{C}^2}$ and Pauli x, y, z operators,
 $(P_j)_i = \sigma_j$ on i -th qubit, tensored with $\mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{C}^2}$ on other qubits

$$\text{then, } \Delta(A) = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{b_1=0}^1 \dots \sum_{b_n=0}^1 \left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^n (P_{\sigma_i})^{b_i} \right) A \left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^n (P_{\sigma_i})^{b_i} \right)^\dagger$$

↑
Kraus maps
∴ channels

all possible tensor product of
 $\mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{C}^2}$ and σ_z on n qubits
 as $b_1 \dots b_n$ ranges over all
 possible n -bit strings

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\Omega(A) = \frac{1}{4^n} \sum_{j_1=0}^3 \dots \sum_{j_n=0}^3 \left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^n (P_{\sigma_i})^{j_i} \right) A \left(\bigotimes_{i=1}^n (P_{\sigma_i})^{j_i} \right)^\dagger$$

range over 4^n tensor products
 of qubit Pauli operators

• If $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{C}^d$, let $\mathbb{Z}_d = \{0, 1, \dots, d-1\}$, $\omega = e^{2\pi i/d}$ (principal d -th root of unity)

$$\text{Let } X = \sum_{a \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{a+1} e_a^* \quad (X|a\rangle = |a+1\rangle),$$

$$Z = \sum_{a \in \mathbb{Z}_d} \omega^a e_a e_a^* \quad (Z|a\rangle = \omega^a |a\rangle).$$

Let $W_{b,c} = X^b Z^c$. The set $\{W_{b,c}\}$ for $b, c \in \mathbb{Z}_d$
 are known as discrete Weyl operators or generalized Pauli operators.
 or nice error basis.

Useful facts (proof as exercise):

$$- \text{Tr}(W_{b,c}) = \begin{cases} d & \text{if } b=c=0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$- \langle W_{g,b}, W_{c,f} \rangle = \text{Tr}(Z^{-b} X^{-g} X^c Z^f) = \text{Tr}(W_{c-g, f-b}) = \begin{cases} d & \text{if } c=g \\ & \text{and } f=b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$- ZX = WXZ$$

- X, Z generate the group $\{W^c W_{a,b}\}_{a,b,c \in \mathbb{Z}_d}$ multiplicatively

→ $\therefore \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} W_{b,c} \right\}_{b,c \in \mathbb{Z}_d}$ is an o.n basis for $L(X)$.

Ex: check that $\Delta(A) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{c \in \mathbb{Z}_d} W_{0,c} A W_{0,c}^*$ (note not Hermitian but unitary).

$$\Omega(A) = \frac{1}{d^2} \sum_{b,c \in \mathbb{Z}_d} W_{b,c} A W_{b,c}^*$$

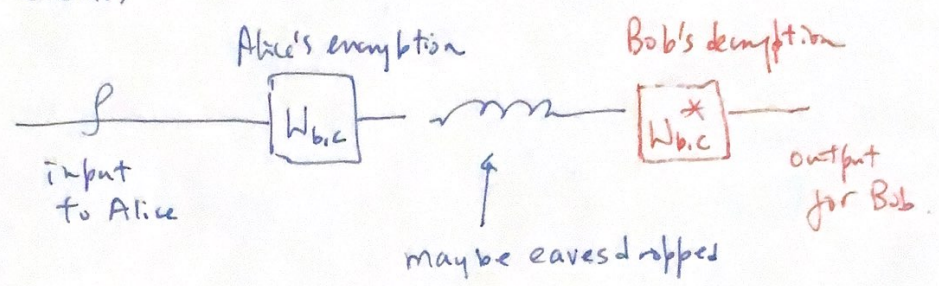
Depolarizing channel, encryption, and teleportation

We can obtain a method to encrypt quantum states using the Kraus form for the depolarizing channel.

$$\therefore \forall A \in L(X), \quad \mathcal{L}(A) = \frac{1}{d^2} \sum_{b,c} W_{b,c} A W_{b,c}^* = \frac{\mathbb{1}_X}{d}$$

If sender Alice and receiver Bob share secret keys c, d ,

then: $\forall \rho \in D(X)$



Without eavesdropping $\forall b, c$, the encryption & decryption ops cancel one another so Bob receives the input.

Without the key, an eavesdropper sees $\frac{1}{d^2} \sum_{b,c} W_{b,c} \rho W_{b,c}^* = \frac{\mathbb{1}_X}{d}$ as the transmitted q state which is independent of the input ρ .

- This is one q . generalization of the one-time-pad to the quantum setting. It requires $2 \log d$ key-bits of secret.

Teleportation revisited:

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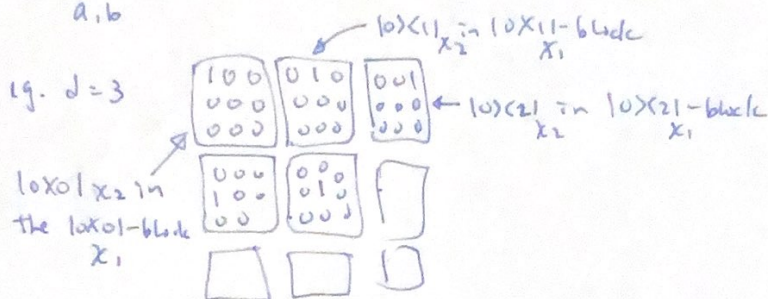
* Lemma: for the meas $M = \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Pos}(X)$ applied to X_1 , with $X_1 X_2$ in the maximally entangled state in $X \otimes X$, the post measurement state is:

$$\frac{1}{d} \sum_a |a\rangle\langle a| \otimes M(a)^T$$

Proof: assignment 1.

Def: let $|\beta_d\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{a=0}^{d-1} |a\rangle|a\rangle$ be the MES in $\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$,

$$\beta_d = |\beta_d\rangle\langle\beta_d| = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{a,b} |a\rangle\langle b| \otimes |a\rangle\langle b|$$



Recall also the Transpose trick: $\forall A \in L(X)$

$$A \otimes I |\beta_d\rangle = I \otimes A^T |\beta_d\rangle$$

Teleportation in d-dim:

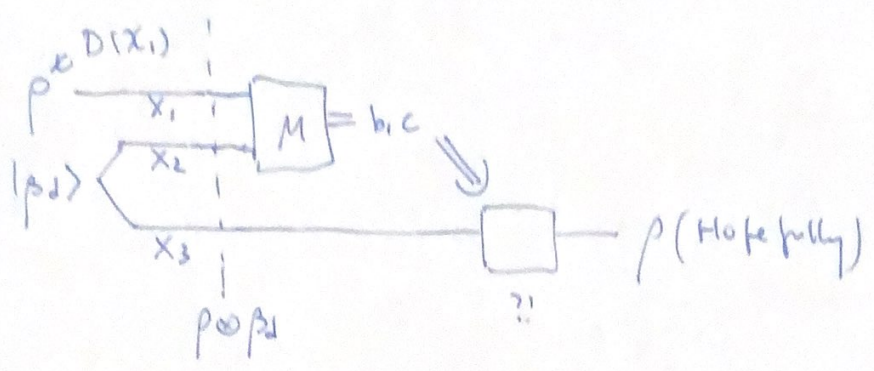
Define a measurement $M: \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \rightarrow \text{Pos}(\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d)$, $\mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{C}^d} = \mathbb{1}$.

$$M(b,c) = (W_{b,c} \otimes \mathbb{1}) \beta_d (W_{b,c}^* \otimes \mathbb{1})$$

To see that $\sum_{b,c} M(b,c) = \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1}$, \uparrow
 $\text{Pos}(\mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d)$

• either note that $\{W_{b,c} \otimes \mathbb{1} |\beta_d\rangle\}_{b,c}$ is an orthonormal basis

• or note that $\Omega \otimes I(p) = \frac{1}{d} \mathbb{1}_{X_1} \otimes \text{tr}_{X_1} p$ for $p \in D(X_1 \otimes X_2)$.



• State on $X_1 X_2 X_3$ after meas:

$$\sum_{b,c} |b,c\rangle\langle b,c| \otimes \text{tr}_{X_1 X_2} (M(b,c) \otimes \mathbb{1}) (\rho \otimes \beta_d) = \text{tr}_{X_1 X_2} (\sqrt{M(b,c)} \otimes \mathbb{1}) (\rho \otimes \beta_d) (\sqrt{M(b,c)} \otimes \mathbb{1})$$

$$\text{tr}_{X_1 X_2} \left(\left[(W_{b,c} \otimes \mathbb{1}) \beta_d (W_{b,c}^* \otimes \mathbb{1}) \right] \otimes \mathbb{1} \right) (\rho \otimes \beta_d)$$

$$\text{tr}_{X_1 X_2} \left(\beta_d (W_{b,c}^* \rho W_{b,c}) \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1} \right) (\mathbb{1} \otimes \beta_d)$$

// Lemma, $\text{tr}_{X_1} (\beta_d (M \otimes \mathbb{1})) = M^T_{X_2}$

$$\text{tr}_{X_2} \left[(W_{b,c}^* \rho W_{b,c})^T \otimes \mathbb{1} \right] \cdot (\beta_d)$$

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$$(W_{b,c}^* \rho W_{b,c})^{TT} = W_{b,c}^* \rho W_{b,c}$$

∴ Bob can perform $W_{b,c}$ if outcome (b,c) sent to him to recover ρ .

Ex: prove that $\forall M, K$:

$$\text{tr}_X (M \otimes \mathbb{1}) K = \text{tr}_X K (\mathbb{1} \otimes M)$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 $L(x) \quad L(y) \quad L(x \otimes y)$

Qn: is it true that $\text{tr}_X K_1 K_2 = \text{tr}_X K_2 K_1$?