

For bipartite pure states, it is intuitive how to distinguish entangled states from otherwise.

Entangled

$$\textcircled{1} |\Phi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^K c_i |\alpha_i\rangle_A \otimes |\beta_i\rangle_B$$

Schmidt decomposition
with $c_i > 0$,

$\{|\alpha_i\rangle\}$ or set, $\{|\beta_i\rangle\}$ or set

$K > 1$ (Schmidt rank)

Not entangled

$$|\Psi\rangle = |\alpha\rangle_A \otimes |\beta\rangle_B \quad \text{tensor product}$$

Schmidt rank = 1

$$\textcircled{2} S(\text{tr}_B |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi|) > 0$$

Entropy of entanglement

- # ebits extractable per copy
- # ebits required to produce

$$S(\text{tr}_B |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|) = 0$$

$\textcircled{3}$ Bell inequality violation

Hidden variable models

Much more complex for mixed states ...

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Def (Separable operator):Let X, Y be CES, $P \in \text{Pos}(X \otimes Y)$

P is separable $\Leftrightarrow \exists Q_1, \dots, Q_m \in \text{Pos}(X), R_1, \dots, R_m \in \text{Pos}(Y)$
 s.t. $P = \sum_{j=1}^m Q_j \otimes R_j$

Def: set of all sep operators on $X, Y = \text{Sep}(X=Y)$ set of all sep density ops on $X, Y = \text{SepD}(X=Y) = \text{Sep}(X=Y) \cap \text{D}(X \otimes Y)$ set of all entangled operators on $X, Y = \text{Pos}(X \otimes Y) \setminus \text{Sep}(X=Y)$ Facts (require simple proofs left as Ex)① $\text{Sep}(X=Y)$ is a convex cone, closed② $\text{SepD}(X=Y)$ is convex & compactThm (a) $\text{SepD}(X=Y) = \text{conv} \{xx^* \otimes yy^* : x \in S(X), y \in S(Y)\}$ (b) If $\rho \in \text{SepD}(X=Y)$, then $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^m p_i x_i x_i^* \otimes y_i y_i^*$ for some prob rec $(p^{(1)}, p^{(2)}, \dots, p^{(m)})$ $m \leq \dim(X \otimes Y)^2$ $x_1, \dots, x_m \in S(X), y_1, \dots, y_m \in S(Y)$ Pf: (a) Clearly $\text{SepD}(X=Y) \supseteq \text{conv} \{xx^* \otimes yy^* : x \in S(X), y \in S(Y)\}$ Conversely; if (i) $\rho \in \text{Sep}(X=Y)$, $\rho = \sum_{j=1}^n Q_j \otimes R_j$, $Q_j \in \text{Pos}(X), R_j \in \text{Pos}(Y)$ Let $Q_j = \sum_{\ell} q_{j\ell} u_{j\ell} u_{j\ell}^*$, $R_j = \sum_k t_{jk} v_{jk} v_{jk}^*$ be spec decompwith $q_{j\ell}, t_{jk} \geq 0$. $u_{j\ell} \in S(X), v_{jk} \in S(Y)$

$$\text{Then } \rho = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\kappa} f_{j\lambda\kappa} t_{j\lambda\kappa} U_{j\lambda} U_{j\lambda}^* \otimes V_{j\kappa} V_{j\kappa}^*$$

$$(ii) \text{ if } \rho \in D(X \otimes Y), \text{Tr } \rho = 1 = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\kappa} f_{j\lambda\kappa} t_{j\lambda\kappa}.$$

$$\therefore \rho \in \text{Sep} D(X:Y) \Rightarrow \rho \in \text{conv} \{ \rho \otimes \sigma : \rho \in S(X), \sigma \in S(Y) \}$$

(b)

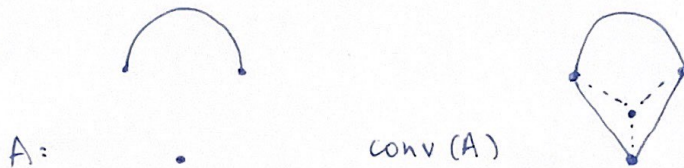
We first state Thm 2.6:

Carathéodory's Thm: if $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, then $\forall u \in \text{conv}(A)$

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} p_i u_i \quad \text{for some } u_1, \dots, u_{n+1} \in A$$

{ p_i 's distⁿ over $\{1, \dots, n+1\}$ }

eg. $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$,



Pf (b): $\rho \otimes \sigma \in \text{Pos}(X \otimes Y) \subseteq \text{Herm}(X \otimes Y) \cong \mathbb{R}^{\dim(X \otimes Y)^2}$
 but $\rho \otimes \sigma$ trace 1 $\therefore \rho \otimes \sigma$ lives in a $\dim(X \otimes Y)^2 - 1$
 dim real Euclidean space.

\therefore Carathéodory's theorem $\Rightarrow \rho \in \text{Sep} D(X:Y) = \text{conv} \{ \rho_i \otimes \sigma_i \}$

$$\rho = \sum_{i=1}^m p_i \rho_i \otimes \sigma_i$$

$$\text{for } m \leq (\dim(X \otimes Y))^2 - 1 + 1$$

NB Any $\rho \in \text{Sep} D(X:Y)$ can be prepared by Local operations on X, Y
 augmented with shared randomness / classical communication, i.e. needs
 no Qcomm nor entanglement to be prepared.

Fact = $X \in \mathcal{C}^*$, $A \subseteq \text{Herm}(X)$ closed convex cone, $B \in \text{Herm}(X) \setminus A$

Then $\exists H \in \text{Herm}(X)$ s.t. 1. $\langle H, A \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall A \in A$
2. $\langle H, B \rangle < 0$

NB This is similar to the Hyperplane separation theorem
with A not just convex but a closed cone and with $c=0$

Thm 14.1 (Horodecki criterion)

$X, Y \in \mathcal{C}^*$, $P \in \text{Pos}(X \otimes Y)$

① $P \in \text{Sep}(X, Y) \Leftrightarrow \forall$ positive $\Phi \in T(X, Y)$ ②

$\Phi \otimes I_Y(P) \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall$ positive, unital $\Phi \in T(X, Y)$ ③

$\Phi \otimes I_Y(P) \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)$

Pf: [① \Rightarrow ②]

If $P = \sum_{j=1}^m Q_j \otimes R_j$ for some $Q_1, \dots, Q_m \in \text{Pos}(X)$, $R_1, \dots, R_m \in \text{Pos}(Y)$

then \forall positive $\Phi \in T(X, Y)$, $\Phi(Q_1), \dots, \Phi(Q_m) \in \text{Pos}(Y)$

$\therefore \Phi \otimes I_Y(P) = \sum_{j=1}^m \Phi(Q_j) \otimes R_j \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)$

Note ② \Rightarrow ③ is immediate.

[3] ⇒ [1] or [¬1] ⇒ [¬3]:

If $P \in \text{Pos}(X \otimes Y) \setminus \text{Sep}(X:Y)$,

apply "fact" with $A = \text{Sep}(X:Y)$, $B = P$

- ∴ ∃ $H \in \text{Herm}(X \otimes Y)$ st.
 1. $\forall Q \in \text{Pos}(X), R \in \text{Pos}(Y), \langle H, Q \otimes R \rangle \geq 0$
 2. $\langle H, P \rangle < 0$

Let $\bar{\Psi} \in T(Y, X)$ st. $J(\bar{\Psi}) = H$.
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 Choi matrix

(Recall from reps of channels that $\bar{\Psi}$ exists and is unique.)

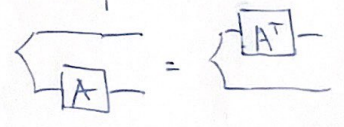
Let $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^{\dim(Y)} e_i \otimes e_i$ ∴ $H = (\bar{\Psi} \otimes I)(\beta \beta^*)$.

Rephrasing 1:

$\forall Q \in \text{Pos}(X), R \in \text{Pos}(Y)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \langle (\bar{\Psi} \otimes I)(\beta \beta^*), Q \otimes R \rangle \\
 &= \langle \beta \beta^*, \bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \otimes R \rangle \\
 &= \text{Tr}(I \otimes \sqrt{R} \beta \beta^* I \otimes \sqrt{R}) \cdot (\bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \otimes I_Y) \\
 &= \text{tr}(\sqrt{R}^T \otimes I \beta \beta^* \sqrt{R}^T \otimes I) \cdot (\bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \otimes I_Y) \\
 &= \text{tr}(\beta \beta^* \cdot \sqrt{R}^T \bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \sqrt{R}^T \otimes I_Y) \\
 &= \text{tr}[(\text{Tr}_2 \beta \beta^*) \cdot \sqrt{R}^T \bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \sqrt{R}^T] \\
 &= \text{tr}[I_Y \cdot \sqrt{R}^T \bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \sqrt{R}^T] \\
 &= \text{tr} \bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \cdot R^T
 \end{aligned}$$

Transpose trick



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$$\because 0 \leq \text{Tr}(\bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \cdot R^T) \quad \forall R^T \in \text{Pos}(Y)$$

$$\therefore \bar{\Psi}^*(Q) \in \text{Pos}(Y)$$

\therefore Above holds $\forall Q \in \text{Pos}(X) \quad \therefore \bar{\Psi}^*$ positive map.

Rephrasing 2:

$$0 > \langle (\bar{\Psi} \otimes I) \beta \beta^*, P \rangle$$

$$= \langle \beta \beta^*, (\bar{\Psi}^* \otimes I)(P) \rangle$$

$$\therefore \beta \beta^* \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y), \quad (\bar{\Psi}^* \otimes I)(P) \notin \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y).$$

$\Rightarrow \neg \textcircled{3}$

[$\neg \textcircled{1} \Rightarrow \neg \textcircled{2}$]: from the proof for [$\neg \textcircled{1} \Rightarrow \neg \textcircled{3}$]

choose $\varepsilon > 0$ st. $\langle H, P \rangle + \varepsilon \text{Tr}(P) < 0$

define $\bar{\Xi} \in T(X, Y)$ as $\bar{\Xi}(A) = \bar{\Psi}^*(A) + \varepsilon \text{Tr}(A) \mathbb{1}_Y$

$\therefore \bar{\Xi}(\mathbb{1}_X) \in \text{Pd}(Y)$,

define $\Phi(A) = \bar{\Xi}(\mathbb{1}_X)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \bar{\Xi}(A) \bar{\Xi}(\mathbb{1}_X)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$\bar{\Psi}^*$ positive $\Rightarrow \bar{\Xi}$ positive $\Rightarrow \Phi$ positive.

$\Phi(\mathbb{1}_X) = \mathbb{1}_Y$ is unital

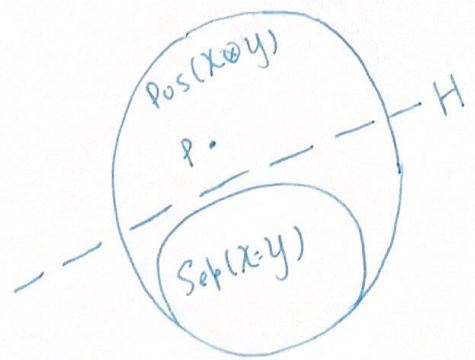
$$\begin{aligned}
0 &> \langle H, P \rangle + \epsilon \text{Tr}(P) \\
&= \langle J(\bar{\Phi}) + \epsilon \mathbb{1}_y \otimes x, P \rangle \\
&= \langle J(\Xi^*), P \rangle \\
&= \langle \Xi^* \otimes \mathbb{I}_y (\beta \beta^*), P \rangle \\
&= \langle \beta \beta^*, \Xi \otimes \mathbb{I}_y (P) \rangle \\
&= \langle \beta \beta^*, (\Xi (\mathbb{1}_x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \otimes \mathbb{1}_y) \cdot \underbrace{\bar{\Phi} \otimes \mathbb{I}_y (P)}_{\in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)} \cdot (\Xi (\mathbb{1}_x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes \mathbb{1}_y) \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

else the last inner product is non neg.

∴ $\bar{\Phi}$ positive, unital and $\bar{\Phi} \otimes \mathbb{I}_y (P) \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)$ ∴ $\neg \textcircled{2}$.

Terminology & intuition:

When P entangled ($\neg \textcircled{1}$), the operator H in the "fact" or the $\bar{\Phi}$ that refutes $\textcircled{3}$ are called an entanglement witness for P .
 (Given either, you can prove P entangled.)



Some what misleading:

eg: extreme points of $\text{Pos}(X \otimes Y) \cap \text{Sep}(X:Y)$ aren't so tightly connected?

eg: it takes $\geq \exp(\text{const} \times d^3 \log d)$ ant witnesses to form a polytope to crudely approx $\text{Sep}(X:Y)$ (Thm 9.34 Aubrun-Szarek book)

eg. for $P = \beta\beta^*$ (α max ent state)

consider $\Phi =$ transpose map.

ie $\Phi(e_a e_b^*) = e_b e_a^*$ \forall Comp basis states e_b, e_a .
(so $e_a^* = e_a^T, e_b^* = e_b^T$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi \otimes I (\beta\beta^*) \\ &= \Phi \otimes I \left(\left(\sum_a e_a \otimes e_a \right) \left(\sum_b e_b^* \otimes e_b^* \right) \right) \\ &= \Phi \otimes I \sum_{ab} (e_a e_b^*) \otimes (e_a e_b^*) \\ &= \sum_{ab} \Phi(e_a e_b^*) \otimes (e_a e_b^*) \\ &= \sum_{ab} e_b e_a^* \otimes e_a e_b^* \\ &= \sum_{ab} (e_b \otimes e_a) \cdot (e_a^* \otimes e_b^*) = \text{SWAP operator.} \end{aligned}$$

takes $e_a \otimes e_b$
outputs $e_b \otimes e_a$.

Take any $a \neq b, u = e_a e_b - e_b e_a$ ("singlet", antisym)

then $u^* \Phi \otimes I (\beta\beta^*) u = u^* (-u) < 0$

$\therefore \Phi \otimes I (\beta\beta^*) \notin \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y), \therefore \beta\beta^* \notin \text{Sep}(Y=4)$
(here $X=Y$).

So we proved that the "max ent state" is entangled. lol...

eg a more refined question:

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How much can we mix up the max ent state with the max mixed state (garbage) and the mixture remains entangled?

Ans: Let $\rho_0 = \frac{1}{\dim(Y)} \beta \beta^*$, $\rho_1 = \frac{1}{(\dim Y)^2} \mathbb{I}_Y \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y$

Let $P = \lambda \rho_0 + (1-\lambda) \rho_1$, $\Phi = \text{transpose map}$

$$(\Phi \otimes I)(P) = \lambda \cdot \frac{1}{\dim(Y)} \cdot \text{SWAP} + (1-\lambda) \frac{1}{(\dim Y)^2} \mathbb{I}_Y \otimes \mathbb{I}_Y$$

eigenvalues = ± 1
(Hermitian, $\text{SWAP}^2 = I$)

$$\therefore (\Phi \otimes I)(P) \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y) \text{ if } \lambda \leq \frac{(1-\lambda)}{\dim(Y)} \text{ or } \lambda \leq \frac{1}{1+\dim(Y)}$$

$\notin \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)$ otherwise

- Note $(\Phi \otimes I)(P) \in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y)$ need not imply $P \in \text{Sep D}(Y:Y)$ since we only check one entanglement witness ($\Phi = \text{Transpose}$) here.
- Determining membership of Sep is generally difficult.
- It does hold that $P \text{ Sep}$ for $\lambda \leq \frac{1}{1+\dim(Y)}$ (example 7.25 in book).

14.3 Sep ball around the identity:

Idea: If we mix in enough max mix states, the final state will have no entanglement (scf).

Need 2 lemmas to prove this.

Lemma 14.2 Let $A \in L(X \otimes \mathbb{C}^\Sigma)$, $A = \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} A_{a,b} \otimes (e_a e_b^*)$.

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 $\in L(X)$

Then $\|A\|^2 \leq \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} \|A_{a,b}\|^2$.

Pf: Easier to visualize the problem by swapping the tensor components.

$A = \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} e_a e_b^* \otimes A_{a,b} \in L(\mathbb{C}^\Sigma \otimes X)$

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$A_{1,1}$	$A_{1,2}$...
$A_{2,1}$	$A_{2,2}$...
⋮	⋮	

 (where $\Sigma = \{1, 2, \dots\}$)

$B_a = \sum_{b \in \Sigma} (e_a e_b^*) \otimes A_{a,b} =$

0
$A_{a,1} A_{a,2} \dots$
0

$B_a B_a^* = \left[\sum_{b_1} (e_a e_{b_1}^*) \otimes A_{a,b_1} \right] \left[\sum_{b_2} (e_{b_2} e_a^*) \otimes A_{a,b_2}^* \right]$ (only $b_1 = b_2$ terms survive).

= $\sum_b e_a e_a^* \otimes A_{a,b} A_{a,b}^* = e_a e_a^* \otimes \sum_b A_{a,b} A_{a,b}^*$

0
$A_{a,1} A_{a,2}$
0

$A_{a,1}^*$	
$A_{a,2}^*$	
	0

 =

0	0	0
0	$\sum_b A_{a,b} A_{a,b}^*$	0
0	0	0

 on the (a,a) block

$$\therefore \|B_a B_a^*\| = \left\| \sum_{b \in \Sigma} A_{a,b} A_{a,b}^* \right\| \leq \sum_{b \in \Sigma} \|A_{a,b} A_{a,b}^*\| = \sum_{b \in \Sigma} \|A_{a,b}\|^2.$$

Also $A = \sum_{a \in \Sigma} B_a$, $B_a^* B_{a'} = 0$ if $a \neq a'$

$$\left[\sum_{b_1} e_{b_1} e_{a'}^* \otimes A_{a,b_1} \right] \left[\sum_{b_2} (e_{a'} e_{b_2}^*) \otimes A_{a',b_2} \right]$$

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or

$$\therefore A^* A = \sum_{a' \in \Sigma} B_{a'}^* \sum_{a \in \Sigma} B_a = \sum_{a \in \Sigma} B_a^* B_a$$

$$\therefore \|A\|^2 = \|A^* A\| = \left\| \sum_{a \in \Sigma} B_a^* B_a \right\| \leq \sum_{a \in \Sigma} \|B_a^* B_a\|$$

$$= \sum_{a \in \Sigma} \|B_a B_a^*\| \leq \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} \|A_{a,b}\|^2.$$

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Thm 14.3 If $\Phi \in \mathcal{T}(X, Y)$ positive & unital,

then $\forall X \in L(X)$, $\|\Phi(X)\| \leq \|X\|$.

Pf: first we show $\|\Phi(U)\| \leq 1$ if U unitary.

By spectral decomp, $U = \sum_{a \in \Sigma} \lambda_a U_a U_a^*$, $|\lambda_a| = 1$

$\Phi(U_a U_a^*) \in \text{Pos}(Y)$ since Φ positive

$\sum_a \Phi(U_a U_a^*) = \Phi\left(\sum_a U_a U_a^*\right) = \Phi(\mathbb{1}_X) = \mathbb{1}_Y$ since Φ unital

$\therefore \{\Phi(U_a U_a^*)\}_a$ is a POVM.

By Naimark's theorem, \exists isometry $A \in L(Y, Y \otimes \mathbb{C}^I)$ s.t.

$\forall a, \Phi(U_a U_a^*) = A^* (\mathbb{1}_Y \otimes e_a e_a^*) A$

Final, $\Phi(U) = \Phi\left(\sum_a \lambda_a U_a U_a^*\right)$

$$= A^* \left(\mathbb{1}_Y \otimes \underbrace{\sum_a \lambda_a e_a e_a^*}_{\substack{\text{evals} = \lambda_a \\ \text{evals} = \lambda_a}} \right) A$$

$$\therefore \|\Phi(U)\| \leq \|A^*\| \left\| \sum_a \lambda_a e_a e_a^* \right\| \|A\| \leq 1.$$

For general $X \in L(X)$, $\frac{X}{\|X\|} = \sum_i q_i U_i$ (convex comb of unitaries)

$$\therefore \left\| \Phi\left(\frac{X}{\|X\|}\right) \right\| = \left\| \Phi\left(\sum_i q_i U_i\right) \right\| \leq \sum_i q_i \|\Phi(U_i)\| \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \|\Phi(X)\| \leq \|X\|.$$

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Thm 14.4 $\forall A \in \text{Herm}(X \otimes Y)$ s.t. $\|A\|_2 \leq 1$,

$$\mathbb{1}_{X \otimes Y} - A \in \text{Sep}(X; Y).$$

Pf: Assume $Y = \mathbb{C}^\Sigma$, $A = \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} A_{a,b} \otimes e_a e_b^*$

$\forall \Phi \in T(X, Y)$ positive & unital,

$$(\Phi \otimes I)(A) = \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} \Phi(A_{a,b}) \otimes e_a e_b^*$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \|\Phi \otimes I(A)\|^2 \stackrel{\text{Lem 14.2}}{\leq} \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} \|\Phi(A_{a,b})\|^2$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Lem 14.3}}{\leq} \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} \|A_{a,b}\|^2$$

$$\stackrel{\uparrow}{\leq} \sum_{a,b \in \Sigma} \|A_{a,b}\|_2^2 = \|A\|_2^2 \leq 1$$

$$\|M\|^2 = \max \text{ singular value}^2$$

$$\|M\|_2^2 = \sum \text{ singular value}^2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \Phi \otimes I(\mathbb{1}_{X \otimes Y} - A) = \mathbb{1}_{Y \otimes Y} - \Phi \otimes I(A) \quad (\because \Phi \text{ unital})$$

$$\in \text{Pos}(Y \otimes Y) \quad \text{by } \textcircled{1}.$$

By $\textcircled{2}$ & Thm 14.1, $\mathbb{1}_{X \otimes Y} - A \in \text{Sep}(X; Y)$.