

# Recap

- Rank of Kraus operators is not constant.
- Every unital qubit channel is unitary equivalent to a Pauli channel.  
Ex.  $\Rightarrow$  Every unital qubit channel is mixed unitary.
- generalized dephasing channels:  $\{|i\rangle\}_{i=1}^d$  ONB,  $\{|\varphi_i\rangle\}_{i=1}^d$  arbitrary  
$$V: |i\rangle_A \mapsto |i\rangle_B |\varphi_i\rangle_E$$
- gen. dephasing channels have full classical capacity  $C(N) = \log d$ .
- Holevo information:
  - quantum state ensemble  $E = \{P_x, \rho_x\}$   $\{P_x\}_x$  prob. dist.
  - $\chi(E, N) := S(\sum_x P_x N(\rho_x)) - \sum_x P_x S(N(\rho_x))$
  - $\chi(N) := \max_E \chi(E, N)$
  - HSW-theorem: classical capacity  $C$  satisfies  
$$C(N) \geq \chi(N)$$
  - Full formula:  $C(N) = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n} \chi(N^{\otimes n})$
  - problem, unless  $\chi(N^{\otimes n}) = n \chi(N)$  (not true in general!)
- Entanglement-breaking channels:  $(\text{id}_E \otimes N)(\rho_{EA})$  separable  $\forall \rho_{EA}$ .

Prop 10

TFAE:

a)  $N: A \rightarrow B$  is EB

b)  $\tau_{AB}^N = (\text{id}_A \otimes N)(\gamma_{AA'})$  is separable.

c)  $N$  has a Kraus representation  $\{K_i\}$  with  $\sum K_i^\dagger K_i = 1 \forall i$ .

d)  $N$  is a measure-and-prepare channel:

$\exists$  POVM  $E = \{E_i\}$  and states  $\{\sigma_i\}$  s.t.

$$N(\rho) = \sum_i \text{tr}(\rho E_i) \sigma_i$$

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 measure  $\rho$               prepare  $\sigma_i$

Proof: a)  $\Rightarrow$  b)  $(\text{id}_B \otimes N)(\gamma_{BA})$  is SEP  $\forall \gamma_{BA}$ , in particular

for  $\gamma_{BA} \quad (|\gamma\rangle_{BA} = \sum_i |i\rangle_B |i\rangle_A)$

b)  $\Rightarrow$  c)  $\tau_{AB}^N$  is separable:  $\exists$  pure states  $\varphi_i = |\varphi_i\rangle_B \langle \varphi_i|_A$

$\varphi_i = |\varphi_i\rangle_B \langle \varphi_i|_A$  s.t.  $\frac{1}{d} \tau_{AB}^N = \sum_i p_i \varphi_i \otimes \varphi_i$  ,  $d = |A|$

Set  $K_i = \sqrt{d p_i} |\varphi_i\rangle_B \langle \bar{\varphi}_i|_A$

check:  $\frac{1}{d} \sum_i (1_A \otimes K_i)(\gamma_{AA'}) (1_A \otimes K_i)^\dagger$

$= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i,j,h} |j\rangle\langle h|_A \otimes K_i |j\rangle\langle h|_A K_i^\dagger$

$= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i,j,h} d p_i |j\rangle\langle h|_A \otimes \langle \bar{\varphi}_i|_B |j\rangle\langle h|_A \langle \bar{\varphi}_i|_A \rangle |\varphi_i\rangle_B \langle \varphi_i|_A$

$$= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i,j,h} \rho_i |j\rangle\langle h|_A \otimes \langle \bar{\psi}_i | j\rangle\langle h | \bar{\psi}_i \rangle | \psi_i \rangle\langle \psi_i |_B$$

$$= \sum_i \rho_i \underbrace{\sum_{j,h} \langle h | \bar{\psi}_i | j \rangle |j\rangle\langle h|}_{(\bar{\psi}_i)^\dagger = \psi_i^\dagger = \psi_i} \otimes | \psi_i \rangle\langle \psi_i |_B$$

$$(\bar{\psi}_i)^\dagger = \psi_i^\dagger = \psi_i$$

$$= \sum_i \rho_i \psi_i \otimes \psi_i = \frac{1}{d} \tau_{AB}^W$$

$$\sum_i \kappa_i^\dagger \kappa_i = \mathbb{1} = d \sum_i \rho_i \underbrace{| \bar{\psi}_i \rangle\langle \psi_i |}_{\uparrow} | \psi_i \rangle\langle \bar{\psi}_i |$$

$$= d \sum_i \rho_i \bar{\psi}_i = d \left( \sum_i \rho_i \psi_i \right) = d \cdot \frac{1}{d} \frac{\mathbb{1}_A}{A} = \frac{\mathbb{1}_A}{A} \checkmark$$

$$= \text{tr}_B \left( \frac{1}{d} \tau_{AB}^W \right) = \frac{\mathbb{1}_A}{A}$$

c)  $\Rightarrow$  d) v.h.  $\kappa_i = 1$ :  $\kappa_i = | \chi_i \rangle_B \langle w_i |_A$  for some vectors

$$| \chi_i \rangle_B, | w_i \rangle_A, \langle \chi_i | \chi_i \rangle = 1.$$

$$\mathcal{N}(g) = \sum_i \kappa_i g \kappa_i^\dagger = \sum_i \underbrace{\langle w_i | g | w_i \rangle}_{= \text{tr}(g w_i)} | \chi_i \rangle\langle \chi_i |_B$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{POVM: } W = \{ w_i \} \\ \text{states: } \chi_i \end{array} \right\} \mathbb{1} = \sum_i \kappa_i^\dagger \kappa_i = \sum_i \overbrace{| w_i \rangle\langle w_i |}_{=1} | \chi_i \rangle\langle \chi_i |$$

$$= \sum_i | w_i \rangle\langle w_i | \checkmark$$

d)  $\Rightarrow$  a) let  $\rho_{RA}$  be arbitrary;  $N(\rho) = \sum_i \text{tr}(E_i \rho) \sigma_i$

$$(\text{id}_R \otimes N)(\rho_{RA}) = \sum_i \text{tr}_A \left[ (\mathbb{1}_R \otimes E_i) \rho_{RA} \right] \otimes \sigma_i$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{op on } R} \quad \quad \quad \uparrow$   
 $\text{op on } B$

1.  $E_i \geq 0$

2. cyclicity of  $\text{tr}_A$

$$= \sum_i \text{tr}_A \left[ (\mathbb{1}_R \otimes \sqrt{E_i}) \rho_{RA} (\mathbb{1}_R \otimes \sqrt{E_i}) \right] \otimes \sigma_i$$

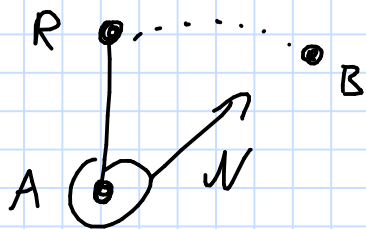
$$= \sum_i p_i w_i \otimes \sigma_i$$

where  $p_i = \text{tr}(E_i \rho_{RA})$ ,  $w_i = \frac{1}{p_i} \text{tr}_A \left[ (\mathbb{1}_R \otimes \sqrt{E_i}) \rho_{RA} (\mathbb{1}_R \otimes \sqrt{E_i}) \right] \geq 0$

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(Some) channel capacities of EB channels are understood:

1) Alice  $\xrightarrow{N}$  Bob quantum information transmission



$\Leftrightarrow$  entanglement generation

but EB channels can't do that

$\Rightarrow$  quantum capacity  $Q(N) = 0$ .

1)  $C(N) \geq \chi(N)$ ,  $C(N) = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n} \chi(N^{\otimes n})$  (entangled inputs)

EB channels destroy entanglement between different inputs

$\Rightarrow C(N) = \chi(N)$  BUT:  $\chi(N)$  is NP-hard to compute.

## § 2.4 PPT-Channels

checking SEP is NP-hard  $\rightarrow$  some easier criterion?

Peres-Horodecki criterion:  $\rho_{AB} \text{ SEP} \Rightarrow \rho_{AB} \text{ PPT}$

PPT: positive partial transpose:  $\rho_{AB}^{T_B} \geq 0$

$\rho_{AB} \text{ SEP}$ :  $\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i w_A^i \otimes \sigma_B^i \Rightarrow \rho_{AB}^{T_B} = \sum_i p_i w_A^i \otimes (\sigma_B^i)^T \geq 0$

$\rightarrow$  if  $\rho_{AB}$  is NPT  $\Rightarrow \rho_{AB} \notin \text{SEP}$

$\rightarrow$  if  $|A| \cdot |B| \leq 6$ , then  $\rho_{AB} \in \text{SEP} \Leftrightarrow \rho_{AB} \in \text{PPT}$ .

**Def 11**

A channel  $N: A \rightarrow B$  is called PPT if

$(\text{id}_R \otimes N)(\rho_{RA})$  is PPT for all  $\rho_{RA}$ .

**Prop 12**

TFAE:

a)  $N: A \rightarrow B$  is PPT

b)  $\tau_{AB}^N$  is PPT

c)  $\mathcal{V} \circ N$  is CP

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$\mathcal{V}: X \mapsto X^T : (\text{id}_R \otimes \mathcal{V})(\gamma) = \Gamma \neq 0$