

# Quantum Information Theory

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## Sheet 0

### 1 The NAND Gate ..... [6P]

The classical NAND gate is defined by  $x \text{ NAND } y := \overline{x \wedge y}$ . Replace the

- (a) OR gate  $[x \text{ OR } y := x \vee y]$ ,
- (b) AND gate  $[x \text{ AND } y := x \wedge y]$ ,
- (c) XNOR gate  $[x \text{ XNOR } y := \overline{x \vee y} \equiv \overline{x \oplus y}]$

with a combination of NAND gates by applying Boolean algebra. Try to use a minimal number of NAND gates!

### 2 Stern Gerlach Experiment ..... [3P]

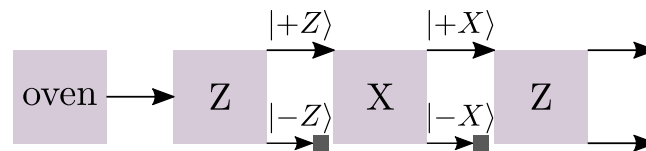


Figure 1: Measurement

An oven is ejecting particles with spin  $1/2$ . According to Fig. 1 we first measure the spin according to the eigenbasis  $\{|\pm Z\rangle\}$  of the Pauli matrix  $\sigma_z$ . The device blocks the spin-down component. In the next part of the device the measurement is carried out by measuring in the  $\sigma_x$  basis with blocking of  $|-X\rangle$ . Finally, we measure again in the  $\sigma_z$  basis. What are the probability densities of the last both channels?

### 3 Tensor Product ..... [7P]

- (a) [2P] Let  $|+\rangle = (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $|-\rangle = (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ . Write out

(i)  $|+\rangle^{\otimes 2}$

(ii)  $|-\rangle^{\otimes 3}$

explicitly as a tensor product using  $|\cdot\rangle|\cdot\rangle$  and as a Kronecker product.

- (b) [2P] Show that the tensor product of two projection operators is a projection operator.
- (c) [3P] What is the expectation value of the  $\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_z$  operator in the  $|\psi\rangle = (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$  state where  $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$  are the single particle eigenstates of  $\sigma_z$ ?

## 4 Unitary Transformation ..... [6P]

Show that an arbitrary  $2 \times 2$  unitary matrix can be written as

$$U = e^{i\alpha} \Lambda(\beta) R(\gamma) \Lambda(\nu) \quad (1)$$

with

$$\Lambda(\nu) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\nu} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R(\gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\gamma) & \sin(\gamma) \\ -\sin(\gamma) & \cos(\gamma) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \nu \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (2)$$

## 5 Entanglement ..... [8P]

Given the state  $|\psi\rangle$  from Ex. 3 (c), can you find a state  $|a\ b\rangle \equiv |a\rangle \otimes |b\rangle$  with  $|\psi\rangle = |ab\rangle$ ?

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