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## Week 3 - Assignment 3

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed. **Due on 2017-08-16, 23:59 IST**  
As per our records you have not submitted this assignment.

In the following questions, **ONLY ONE** answer is correct. Choose the most appropriate one. (1X12=12 Marks)

1) A system is in the state  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |u_1\rangle + i\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |u_2\rangle$ , where  $|u_1\rangle$  and  $|u_2\rangle$  constitute an orthonormal basis. The density matrix  $\rho$  of the system is 1 point

$\frac{1}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_1| + \frac{2}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_2|$

$\frac{1}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_1| - \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_1| + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_2| + \frac{2}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_2|$

$\frac{1}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_1| + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_1| - \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_2| + \frac{2}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_2|$

$\frac{1}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_1| - \frac{2}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_2|$

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

$$\frac{1}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_1| + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_1| - \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{3} |u_1\rangle\langle u_2| + \frac{2}{3} |u_2\rangle\langle u_2|$$

2) The trace of  $\rho^2$  for the density matrix given in Q1 is 1 point

- 1
- 3/4
- 2/3
- 1/3

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

1

3) A system is in the state  $\frac{1}{2} |u_1\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |u_2\rangle + \frac{1}{2} |u_3\rangle$  The matrix representation of the density matrix is 1 point

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

4) The density operator  $\rho$  evolves with time following the equation

1 point

$$-i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = [H, \rho]$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = [H, \rho]$$

$$i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = H\rho$$

$$-i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = H\rho$$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:



$$i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = [H, \rho]$$

5) The reduced density matrix for the two qubit entangled state  $\frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ , corresponding to either of the qubits is

1 point

- $\frac{I}{\sqrt{2}}$
- $\frac{I}{2}$
- $\frac{3I}{4}$
- $I$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$$\frac{I}{2}$$

6) A two qubit state is given by  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [ |00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle ]$ . The reduced density matrix of the first qubit is

1 point

- $\frac{1}{3} [ |0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + 2|1\rangle\langle 1| ]$
- $\frac{1}{2} [ |0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 1| ]$
- $\frac{1}{3} [ 2|0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 1| ]$
- $\frac{1}{3} [ 2|0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 1| ]$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$$\frac{1}{3} [ 2|0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 1| ]$$

7) The centre of the Bloch sphere is

1 point

- A pure state
- Neither a pure state nor a mixed state
- A mixed state represented by a matrix whose diagonal elements are 1/2 each and the off diagonal elements are 1 each
- A mixed state represented by a diagonal matrix whose elements are 1/2 each

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

A mixed state represented by a diagonal matrix whose elements are 1/2 each

8) The matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & \sqrt{3}i/2 \\ -\sqrt{3}i/2 & 2/3 \end{pmatrix}$

1 point

- is a valid density matrix for a system and it represents a pure state
- is a valid density matrix for a system and it represents a mixed state
- is not a valid density matrix since it is not hermitian
- is not a valid density matrix as it is not a positive matrix

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

*is not a valid density matrix as it is not a positive matrix*

9) The reduced density matrix corresponding to the first qubit for the state  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|11\rangle$  is given by

- $\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

$$\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

10) Consider a two qubit state  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}(|00\rangle + \sqrt{2}|01\rangle + \sqrt{3}|10\rangle + |11\rangle)$  If we measure the first qubit and obtain  $|0\rangle$ , then the second qubit collapses to **1 point**

- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|0\rangle + \sqrt{2}|1\rangle)$
- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\sqrt{2}|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$
- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}(|0\rangle + \sqrt{2}|1\rangle)$
- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}(2|0\rangle + \sqrt{3}|1\rangle)$

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|0\rangle + \sqrt{2}|1\rangle)$$

11) In Q 10, the probability that a projective measurement of the first qubit gives is **1 point**

- 5/7
- 4/7



1 point

1 point

1 point

- 3/7  
 2/7

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

3/7

12) Consider a two qubit state  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{11}}(|00\rangle + \sqrt{5}|01\rangle + \sqrt{2}|10\rangle + \sqrt{3}|11\rangle)$ . The probability of measuring  $|0\rangle$  for the first qubit is

1 point



- $\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{11}}$   
  
 6/11  
  
 $\frac{(1 + \sqrt{5})^2}{11}$   
  
 5/11

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

6/11

**In the following questions, ONE or MORE answer(s) is(are) correct. Choose all the appropriate ones. (2X4=8 Marks)**

13) Which of the following properties must be satisfied for the density matrix corresponding to a mixed state?

2 points

- Its eigenvalues must be non-negative  
 The distance of the state from the origin of the Bloch sphere should be less than 1  
  
  $\text{Trace}(\rho^2) \leq \text{Trace}(\rho)$   
 It satisfies Liouville equation

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

*Its eigenvalues must be non-negative*

*The distance of the state from the origin of the Bloch sphere should be less than 1*

14) Consider a two qubit state  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|00\rangle + |01\rangle]$ . Which of the following

2 points

matrices are members of the set corresponding to the measurement operators for the second qubit?

- i)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
- ii)  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

iii) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

iv) 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i) and (ii)
- (i) and (iii)
- (ii) and (iii)
- (iii) and (iv)

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

*(iii) and (iv)*

15 Let  $\rho$  be a density matrix given by  $\rho = p|0\rangle\langle 0| + q|1\rangle\langle 1|$ . It follows that

**2 points**

- $p + q = 1$
- $p^2 + q^2 = 1$
- $p^2 + q^2 < 1$
- $\text{Trace}(\rho^2) = p^2 + q^2$

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

$p^2 + q^2 < 1$

16 A system is a statistical mixture of states in which 25% are in state  $|0\rangle$  and the remaining in state  $|1\rangle$ . If the measurement is made in  $\{|+\rangle, |-\rangle\}$  basis, then the probability of finding the system in state  $|+\rangle$  is

**2 points**

- 1
- 3/4
- 1/2
- 1/4

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

1/2



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