

P1.1)

Alice is communicating to Bob using quantum states. Eve is wiretapping this through unitary interactions via an ancilla. It is clear that if Eve can distinguish the states, then she can infer the information.

Let the states of Alice be $|a\rangle^A, |b\rangle^A$. $\langle a|b\rangle^A \neq 0$ i.e., they need not be orthogonal states. Let the channel action be $U_{AE \rightarrow BE}$ as follows:

$$U_{AE \rightarrow BE} |a\rangle^A |0\rangle^E = |a\rangle^B |\phi\rangle^E \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$U_{AE \rightarrow BE} |b\rangle^A |0\rangle^E = |b\rangle^B |\psi\rangle^E \quad \text{--- ②}$$

Taking the inner products over ① and ②

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(U_{AE \rightarrow BE} |a\rangle^A |0\rangle^E \right)^\dagger \left(U_{AE \rightarrow BE} |b\rangle^A |0\rangle^E \right) \\ &= \underbrace{\langle a|b\rangle^A}_{\neq 0} \underbrace{\langle 0|0\rangle^E}_1 = \underbrace{\langle a|b\rangle^B}_{\neq 0} \underbrace{\langle \phi|\psi\rangle^E}_1 \quad \text{--- (A)} \\ &\Rightarrow \langle \phi|\psi\rangle = 1 \end{aligned}$$

For distinguishability, $\langle \phi|\psi\rangle = 0$, leading to a conclusion that Eve cannot distinguish the states unless she disturbs (A).

Consider $\mathcal{E} = \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{4}, |0\rangle \right), \left(\frac{3}{4}, |+\rangle \right) \right\}$
 P1.2) Clearly $\langle 0|+\rangle \neq 0$

The Shannon entropy (classically)
 is $H_{Sh} = -\frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) - \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)$
 $= 0.811$ bits.

$$\rho = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{3}{4} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{5}{8} & \frac{3}{8} \\ \frac{3}{8} & \frac{3}{8} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Solving for the eigenvalues and
 eigenvectors of (1), we get

$$\lambda_+ = 0.8953 \quad |a_+\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} -0.811 & -0.584 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\lambda_- = 0.1047 \quad |a_-\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0.584 & -0.811 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

In spectral form

$$\rho = \lambda_+ |a_+\rangle \langle a_+| + \lambda_- |a_-\rangle \langle a_-|$$

The Shannon entropy in spectral form is

$$H_{sh}^{(\text{spectral})} = -\lambda_+ \log_2(\lambda_+) - \lambda_- \log_2(\lambda_-)$$
$$\approx 0.48 \text{ bits}$$

Clearly $H_{sh}^{(\text{spectral})} < H_{sh}^{(\text{non-spectral})}$

Non-orthogonal states can be compressed further!

(4)

P2.1)
$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} (aI\text{tr}(\rho) + bX\rho X + cY\rho Y + dZ\rho Z)$$

$a, b, c, d \geq 0.$

To check for linearity property

Consider $\mathcal{E}(\alpha_1 \rho_1 + \alpha_2 \rho_2)$

Clearly,

$$\mathcal{E}(\alpha_1 \rho_1 + \alpha_2 \rho_2) = \alpha_1 \mathcal{E}(\rho_1) + \alpha_2 \mathcal{E}(\rho_2)$$

So, there are no dependencies of the constraints on $a, b, c, d.$

To check for trace-preserving property

$$\text{tr}(\mathcal{E}(\rho)) = \frac{1}{2} [a \cdot \text{tr}(I \text{tr}(\rho)) + c \text{tr}(Y\rho Y) + b \text{tr}(X\rho X) + d \text{tr}(Z\rho Z)]$$

From trace cyclicity property and using $X^2 = Y^2 = Z^2 = I$, we get $\int I$

$$\text{tr}(\mathcal{E}(\rho)) = \frac{1}{2} \left[a \cdot 2 \cdot \text{tr}(\rho) + b \text{tr}(X^2 \rho) + c \text{tr}(Y^2 \rho) + d \text{tr}(Z^2 \rho) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [2a + b + c + d]$$

$$\text{tr}(\mathcal{E}(\rho)) = \text{tr}(\rho) = 1 \quad \text{implies}$$

$$\boxed{2a + b + c + d = 2}$$

P2.2) Let the Bloch vector (5)
 $\underline{r} = (r_x \ r_y \ r_z)$ corresponding to

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \left[I + r_x X + r_y Y + r_z Z \right] \quad (1)$$

Now, we employ the qubit mapping

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \left[a I + b X \rho X + c Y \rho Y + d Z \rho Z \right] \quad (2)$$

plug in (1) into (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(\rho) = & \frac{1}{2} \left[a I \operatorname{tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} (I + r_x X + r_y Y + r_z Z) \right) \right] \\ & + \frac{b}{2} X \frac{1}{2} [I + r_x X + r_y Y + r_z Z] X \\ & + \frac{c}{2} Y \frac{1}{2} [I + r_x X + r_y Y + r_z Z] Y \\ & + \frac{d}{2} Z \frac{1}{2} [I + r_x X + r_y Y + r_z Z] Z \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} XY &= -YX \\ YZ &= -ZY \\ ZX &= -XZ \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} X^2 &= I \\ Y^2 &= I \\ Z^2 &= I \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Using (4) in (3),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(P) = & \frac{a}{2} \text{I tr} \left(\frac{\text{I}}{2} + \frac{r_x X}{2} + \frac{r_y Y}{2} + \frac{r_z Z}{2} \right) \\ & + \frac{b}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{I} + r_x X - r_y Y - r_z Z \right) \\ & + \frac{c}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{I} - r_x X + r_y Y - r_z Z \right) \\ & + \frac{d}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{I} - r_x X - r_y Y + r_z Z \right) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Grouping the terms in (5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(P) = & \frac{\text{I}}{2} \left(a + \frac{b+c+d}{2} \right) \\ & + \frac{r_x X}{2} \left(\frac{b-c-d}{2} \right) \\ & + \frac{r_y Y}{2} \left(\frac{-b+c-d}{2} \right) \\ & + \frac{r_z Z}{2} \left(\frac{-b-c+d}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(6)

Note: $\text{tr}(X) = \text{tr}(Y) = \text{tr}(Z) = 0$
 $\text{tr}(I) = 2$

Comparing the terms in (6) in
Bloch vector form

$$a + \left(\frac{b+c+d}{2} \right) = 1 \quad \text{(7a)}$$

from trace-preserving
condition

$$\mu_x = \frac{b-c-d}{2}$$

$$\mu_y = \frac{-b+c-d}{2}$$

$$\mu_z = \frac{-b-c+d}{2}$$

(7b)

To solve for a, b, c, d , use
(7a) and (7b), and observe symmetry!

$$b = -\mu_y - \mu_z$$

$$c = -\mu_x - \mu_z$$

$$d = -\mu_y - \mu_x$$

$$a = 1 + \mu_x + \mu_y + \mu_z$$

(8)

Eqn (8) determines the necessary constants
for the smooth mapping!

P3) We have $\forall k$ and $\epsilon > 0$
 $\text{tr}(\Lambda_k^S \rho_k^S) \geq 1 - \epsilon$.

Let $|\phi_k\rangle^{RS} = \sum_i \sqrt{\lambda_i^{(k)}} |\phi_i\rangle^{(k)R} |\phi_i\rangle^{(k)S}$. (1)

Construct the coherent instrument

$$U^{S \rightarrow SS'} \equiv \sum_k \Lambda_k^S \otimes |k\rangle^{S'}$$
(2)

Plugging (1) and (2),
 Now, let us evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \phi_k |^{RS} \langle k |^{S'} U^{S \rightarrow SS'} |\phi_k\rangle^{RS} \\ &= \sum_i \sqrt{\lambda_i^{(k)}} \langle \phi_i |^{(k)R} \langle \phi_i |^{(k)S} \langle k |^{S'} \sum_{k'} \Lambda_{k'}^S \otimes |k'\rangle^{S'} \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \sum_j \sqrt{\lambda_j^{(k)}} |\phi_j\rangle^{(k)R} |\phi_j\rangle^{(k)S} \end{aligned}$$
(3)

Simplifying (3),

$$\sum_{i,j} \sqrt{\lambda_i^{(k)} \lambda_j^{(k)}} \underbrace{\langle \phi_i^{(k)} | \phi_j^{(k)} \rangle^R}_{\delta_{i,j}} \langle \phi_i^{(k)} | \langle k |^{S, S'}$$

$$\sum_{k'} \Lambda_{k'}^{S, S'} \otimes |k'\rangle^{S'}$$

$$|\phi_j^{(k)}\rangle^S$$

$$= \sum_i \lambda_i^{(k)} \langle \phi_i^{(k)} | \langle k | \underbrace{\sum_{k'} \Lambda_{k'}^{S, S'} \otimes |k'\rangle^{S'}}_{\text{form an o.n. basis}} | \phi_i^{(k)} \rangle^S$$

$$= \sum_i \lambda_i^{(k)} \langle \phi_i^{(k)} | \Lambda_k^S | \phi_i^{(k)} \rangle$$

$$= \text{tr} \left(\underbrace{\sum_i \lambda_i^{(k)} | \phi_i^{(k)} \rangle \langle \phi_i^{(k)} |}_{S} \Lambda_k^S \right)$$

$$= \text{tr} \left(\sum_k \Lambda_k^S \right) \geq 1 - \epsilon$$

by the design of $\{ \Lambda_k^S \}$

□

P4.1) Consider the binary erasure channel.

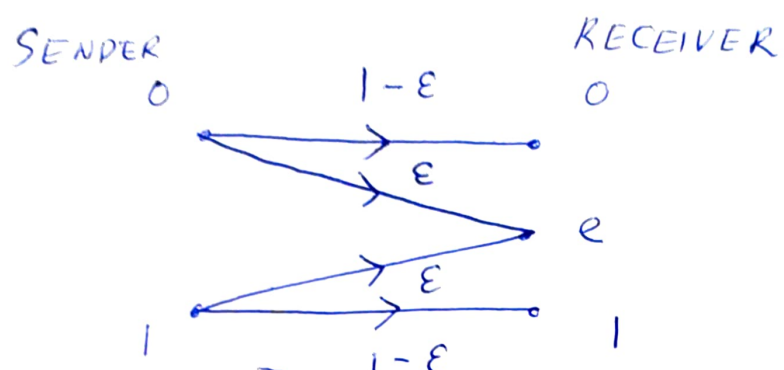


Fig. 1

Let $P(s=0) = 1-p$, $P(s=1) = p$

$$P(r=0 | s=0) = 1-\epsilon \quad P(r=1 | s=1) = 1-\epsilon$$

$$P(r=e | s=0) = \epsilon \quad P(r=e | s=1) = \epsilon$$

The o/p symbol probabilities are

$$P(r=0) = P(r=0 | s=0) P(s=0) + P(r=0 | s=1) P(s=1) \tag{a}$$

$$P(r=1) = \frac{P(r=1 | s=1) P(s=1)}{1} = \frac{p \cdot (1-\epsilon)}{1} \tag{b}$$

$$P(r=e) = \frac{\epsilon}{1} \tag{c}$$

Using (a) - (c), compute

$$H(r) = - \sum_{r \in \{0, 1, e\}} p_r \log_2(p_r)$$

Also

$$H(r|s) = - \sum_{s \in \{0,1\}} p(s=s) H(r|s=s) \quad (3)$$

Compute $H(r|s=0) = - (1-\epsilon) \log_2(1-\epsilon) - \epsilon \log_2(\epsilon)$

i.e., over $r=0, r=\epsilon$

Similarly $H(r|s=1) = - (1-\epsilon) \log_2(1-\epsilon) - \epsilon \log_2(\epsilon)$

due to symmetry

$$H(r) - H(r|s) \quad (4)$$

$$C_{\text{erasure}} = \max_{p \in [0,1]} \quad (5)$$

Plug (2) and (4) in (5) to get

$$C_{\text{erasure}} = \max_p \left[\underbrace{+ H(\epsilon) + (1-\epsilon) H(p)}_{H(r)} - \underbrace{(H(\epsilon))}_{H(r|s)} \right]$$

$$C = \max_p (1-\epsilon) H(p) = \boxed{1-\epsilon}$$

since $\max_p H(p) = 1$ for $p = 1/2$

P4.2) R & S stand for receiver & sender spaces ⁽¹²⁾

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = (1-\epsilon)\rho + \epsilon |e\rangle^R \langle e|^S \quad \text{since } \text{tr}(\rho) = 1$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = (1-\epsilon)\rho + \epsilon |e\rangle^R \left[\langle 0| \rho |0\rangle^S + \langle 1| \rho |1\rangle^S \right] |e\rangle^S \quad \text{(1)}$$

From inspection of ⁽¹⁾ the Kraus operators are of the form

$$\left. \begin{aligned} M_0 &= \sqrt{1-\epsilon} \left(|10\rangle^R \langle 0|^S + |11\rangle^R \langle 1|^S \right) \\ M_1 &= \sqrt{\epsilon} |e\rangle^R \langle 0|^S \\ M_2 &= \sqrt{\epsilon} |e\rangle^R \langle 1|^S \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{(2)}$$

Actually, ⁽²⁾ can just be written directly from the binary erasure channel schematic description in Fig. 1.

P5) Recall from the definition of strong typical sets, for $x^{(n)} \in T_S^{X^{(n)}}$

$$-cS + H(X) \leq -\frac{1}{n} \log_2 \left(P_{X^{(n)}}(x^{(n)}) \right) \leq cS + H(X)$$

where $c \stackrel{\Delta}{=} -\sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \log(P(x)) \geq 0$.

Now, we are interested in computing $\sum_{\substack{x^{(n)}, y^{(n)} \in T_S^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}}}} P(x^{(n)}) P(y^{(n)})$ — (1)

since $X^{(n)}$ and $Y^{(n)}$ are statistically independent

Let us upper bound (ub) (1)

$$\sum_{\substack{x^{(n)}, y^{(n)} \in T_S^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}}}} P(x^{(n)}) P(y^{(n)}) \leq \left| T_S^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}} \right| \begin{matrix} P_{X^{(n)}}^{u.b} \\ P_{Y^{(n)}}^{u.b} \end{matrix} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$P_{X^{(n)}}(x^{(n)}) \leq 2 \frac{-n(H(x) - c\delta)}{3(a)}$$

$$P_{Y^{(n)}}(y^{(n)}) \leq 2 \frac{-n(H(y) - c\delta)}{3(b)}$$

$$|T_S^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}}| \leq 2 \frac{-n(H(x, y) + c\delta)}{3(c)}$$

Plugging 3(a) - 3(c) into (2)

$$\Pr(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)} \in T_S^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}}) \leq 2 \frac{-n \begin{pmatrix} H(x) + H(y) \\ -H(x, y) \\ -3c\delta \end{pmatrix}}{3(a) - 3(c)}$$

Now $H(x) + H(y) - H(x, y) = I(x; y)$

$$\therefore \Pr(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)} \in T_S^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}}) \leq 2 \frac{-n(I(x; y) - 3c\delta)}{3(a) - 3(c)}$$

NOTE; You could have also picked c_1, δ_1 for $x^{(n)} \in T_{S_1}^{X^{(n)}}$, c_2, δ_2 for $y^{(n)} \in T_{S_2}^{Y^{(n)}}$, c_3, δ_3 for $x^{(n)}, y^{(n)} \in T_{S_3}^{X^{(n)} Y^{(n)}}$ & an overall $c\delta = \min(c_1\delta_1, c_2\delta_2, c_3\delta_3)$ to get the desired result!