

von Neum. entropy: $\hat{\rho} \Rightarrow$ find e-vals p_n

$$S(\hat{\rho}) = - \sum_n p_n \ln p_n$$

closed qu. system: $|\psi(t)\rangle = \hat{U}(t) |\psi(0)\rangle$

$$\hat{\rho}(t) = \hat{U}(t) \hat{\rho}(0) \hat{U}^+(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow S(\hat{\rho}(t)) = S(\hat{\rho}(0))$$

next steps: add interactions w/ outside env.

$\Rightarrow \hat{\rho}(t)$ generally evolves according
Choi-Krauss repr. theorem

\Rightarrow quantum master eqn. for $\hat{\rho}(t)$

simplest interactions: measurements

initial ensemble: frac p_1 p_2

state $|\psi_1\rangle$ $|\psi_2\rangle$

measure \hat{A}
w/ e-states
 $\hat{A} |a\rangle = a |a\rangle$

collapse to one of $|a\rangle$

w/ prob $|\langle a|\psi_1\rangle|^2$ " $|\langle a|\psi_2\rangle|^2$

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final ensemble	<u>frac.</u>	P_a	P_b	...
	<u>state</u>	$ a\rangle$	$ b\rangle$...

$$P_a = \sum_n P_n |\langle a | \psi_n \rangle|^2$$

↑
frac. of $|\psi_n\rangle$ in orig. ensemble

new density op: $\hat{\rho}' = \sum_a P_a |a\rangle \langle a|$

proj. operator

$$\hat{P}_a = |a\rangle \langle a|$$

$$\hat{P}_a^+ = |a\rangle \langle a|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\rho}' &= \sum_{a,n} P_n \langle a | \psi_n \rangle \langle \psi_n | a \rangle \langle a| \\
 &= \sum_a |a\rangle \langle a| \underbrace{\left[\sum_n P_n |\psi_n\rangle \langle \psi_n| \right]}_{\hat{\rho}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\rho}' = \sum_a \hat{P}_a \hat{\rho} \hat{P}_a^+$$

dynamics after measurement

compare to: $\hat{\rho}' = \hat{U} \hat{\rho} \hat{U}^\dagger$ dynamics for closed sys.

example: initially 100% in state

$$|\psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$$

$$\hat{\rho} = |\psi_1\rangle \langle \psi_1|$$

$S(\hat{\rho}) \Rightarrow$ write $\hat{\rho}$ in a basis
diag- + find e-vals

basis: $\{|\psi_1\rangle, |\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)\}$

$$\hat{\rho} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{e-vals } p_1 = 1 \\ p_2 = 0$$

$$S(\hat{\rho}) = - \sum_n p_n \ln p_n = 0 \quad \text{pure state}$$

measurement: $|\psi_1\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{collapse}} \begin{cases} |0\rangle & 50\% \\ |1\rangle & 50\% \end{cases}$

$$\hat{\rho}' = \frac{1}{2} |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{2} |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$= |0\rangle \underbrace{\langle 0|}_{1/2} \hat{\rho} |0\rangle \langle 0| + |1\rangle \underbrace{\langle 1|}_{1/2} \hat{\rho} |1\rangle \langle 1|$$

$S(\hat{\rho}') \Rightarrow \text{basis } \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

$$\hat{\rho}' = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow S(\hat{\rho}') = \ln 2 \\ > S(\hat{\rho}) = 0$$

Most general dynamics for $\hat{\rho}$
under an environment:

Choi-Kraus repr. theorem:

$$\hat{\rho}' = \sum_{\gamma=1}^{\Gamma} \hat{M}_{\gamma} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}_{\gamma}^+ \quad \Gamma \leq N^2$$

N = dim. of Hilbert space

Oper: \hat{M}_{γ} : Kraus operators

satisfy: $\sum_{\gamma} \hat{M}_{\gamma}^+ \hat{M}_{\gamma} = \hat{I}$ identity

previous examples:

i) closed sys: $\hat{\rho}' = \hat{U} \hat{\rho} \hat{U}^+$

$$\Gamma = 1 \quad \hat{M}_1 = \hat{U}$$

$$\sum_{\gamma} \hat{M}_{\gamma}^+ \hat{M}_{\gamma} = \hat{U}^+ \hat{U} = \hat{I}$$

ii) measurement: $\hat{\rho}' = \sum_a \hat{P}_a \hat{\rho} \hat{P}_a^+$

$$\Gamma = N$$

$$\hat{M}_{\gamma} \Rightarrow \hat{P}_a = |a\rangle \langle a|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\gamma} \hat{M}_{\gamma}^+ \hat{M}_{\gamma} &= \sum_a |a\rangle \langle a| |a\rangle \langle a| \\ &= \sum_a |a\rangle \langle a| = \hat{I} \end{aligned}$$

note: in general $\hat{M}_{\gamma}^+ \neq \hat{M}_{\gamma}$

\hat{M}_{γ} not necessarily unitary

$\hat{M}_{\gamma} \propto |1\rangle \langle 0|$ as an example

Proof: how to transform from a valid $\hat{\rho}$ to another valid $\hat{\rho}'$

valid: $\hat{\rho}^+ = \hat{\rho}$ $\text{tr}(\hat{\rho}) = 1$ $\langle i | \hat{\rho} | i \rangle \geq 0$
in any basis

also demand transform be linear:

example:

2 ensembles (pure)
 A, B

$$\hat{\rho}_A = |\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1| \xrightarrow{\text{time evol.}} \hat{\rho}'_A$$

$$\hat{\rho}_B = |\psi_2\rangle\langle\psi_2| \xrightarrow{\text{time evol.}} \hat{\rho}'_B$$

third ensemble:

frac. f of $|\psi_1\rangle$
" $1-f$ of $|\psi_2\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\rho}_C &= f|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1| + (1-f)|\psi_2\rangle\langle\psi_2| \\ &= f\hat{\rho}_A + (1-f)\hat{\rho}_B\end{aligned}$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{time evol.}} \hat{\rho}'_C = f\hat{\rho}'_A + (1-f)\hat{\rho}'_B$

time evolution preserves linear combo's of density operators