

Quantum Information Theory

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Assignment 1

Assigned: Friday, March 10, 2017

Due: Friday, March 24, 2017

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Problem 1.1: Explain the concepts of a Hilbert space and its dual space

Problem 1.2: Explain the concept of compact self-adjoint operator and state the spectral theorem

Problem 1.3: In a finite-dimensional Hilbert space, relate a linear operator to its corresponding matrix representation. Demonstrate how to extend to infinite (countable) dimensions

Problem 1.4: For a compact self-adjoint operator T on a Hilbert space, show how $\log T$ can be computed in terms of logarithms of the eigenvalues of T . In finite dimensions, illustrate how this approach carries over to the eigenvalues of the matrix in any matrix representation

Problem 1.5: Similarly, prove that $\text{Tr } T$ is equal to the sum of the series of eigenvalues of T and, in finite dimensions, illustrate how $\text{Tr } T$ can be computed in terms of the eigenvalues of the corresponding matrix, or simply as the sum of its diagonal elements

Problem 1.6: Prove that a Hilbert space has a countable basis iff it is separable