

**Kronecker product**  
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**1. Introduction**

In mathematics, the **Kronecker product**, denoted by  $\otimes$ , is an operation on two matrices of arbitrary size resulting in a block matrix. It is a generalization of the outer product (which is denoted by the same symbol) from vectors to matrices, and gives the matrix of the tensor product with respect to a standard choice of basis. The Kronecker product should not be confused with the usual matrix multiplication, which is an entirely different operation. The Kronecker product is named after Leopold Kronecker, even though there is little evidence that he was the first to define and use it. Indeed, in the past the Kronecker product was sometimes called the *Zehfuss matrix*, after Johann Georg Zehfuss.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kronecker\\_product](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kronecker_product)

We consider the tensor product of the two states

$$|\psi_1, \psi_2\rangle$$

In more formal mathematical notation, we denote as

$$|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle$$

using a symbol  $\otimes$  (Kronecker product).

Here we define the KroneckerProduct.

$$\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B},$$

$$|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle,$$

where  $\hat{A}$  and  $\hat{B}$  are the operators (matrices) and  $|\psi_1\rangle$  and  $|\psi_2\rangle$  are the kets.

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})(|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle) = \hat{A}|\psi_1\rangle \otimes \hat{B}|\psi_2\rangle.$$

Similarly, we have

$$(\hat{A}_1 \otimes \hat{A}_2 \otimes \hat{A}_3)(|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle \otimes |\psi_3\rangle) = (\hat{A}_1|\psi_1\rangle) \otimes (\hat{A}_2|\psi_2\rangle) \otimes (\hat{A}_3|\psi_3\rangle).$$

Note that the Bell state is defined by

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|+z\rangle \otimes |-z\rangle - |-z\rangle \otimes |+z\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 2. Representation for the Kronecker product in matrix forms

(a)

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 \\ a_1 b_2 \\ a_2 b_1 \\ a_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}\hat{B} & a_{12}\hat{B} \\ a_{21}\hat{B} & a_{22}\hat{B} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} \\ a_{11}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{12} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

(c)

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \hat{B} \\ a_2 \hat{B} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_{11} & a_1 b_{12} \\ a_1 b_{21} & a_1 b_{22} \\ a_2 b_{11} & a_2 b_{12} \\ a_2 b_{21} & a_2 b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

(d)

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \hat{B} & a_{12} \hat{B} & a_{13} \hat{B} \\ a_{21} \hat{B} & a_{22} \hat{B} & a_{23} \hat{B} \\ a_{31} \hat{B} & a_{32} \hat{B} & a_{33} \hat{B} \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} b_{11} & a_{11} b_{12} & a_{11} b_{13} & a_{12} b_{11} & a_{12} b_{12} & a_{12} b_{13} & a_{13} b_{11} & a_{13} b_{12} & a_{13} b_{13} \\ a_{11} b_{21} & a_{11} b_{22} & a_{11} b_{23} & a_{12} b_{21} & a_{12} b_{22} & a_{12} b_{23} & a_{13} b_{21} & a_{13} b_{22} & a_{13} b_{23} \\ a_{11} b_{31} & a_{11} b_{32} & a_{11} b_{33} & a_{12} b_{31} & a_{12} b_{32} & a_{12} b_{33} & a_{13} b_{31} & a_{13} b_{32} & a_{13} b_{33} \\ a_{21} b_{11} & a_{21} b_{12} & a_{21} b_{13} & a_{22} b_{11} & a_{22} b_{12} & a_{22} b_{13} & a_{23} b_{11} & a_{23} b_{12} & a_{23} b_{13} \\ a_{21} b_{21} & a_{21} b_{22} & a_{21} b_{23} & a_{22} b_{21} & a_{22} b_{22} & a_{22} b_{23} & a_{23} b_{21} & a_{23} b_{22} & a_{23} b_{23} \\ a_{21} b_{31} & a_{21} b_{32} & a_{21} b_{33} & a_{22} b_{31} & a_{22} b_{32} & a_{22} b_{33} & a_{23} b_{31} & a_{23} b_{32} & a_{23} b_{33} \\ a_{31} b_{11} & a_{31} b_{12} & a_{31} b_{13} & a_{32} b_{11} & a_{32} b_{12} & a_{32} b_{13} & a_{33} b_{11} & a_{33} b_{12} & a_{33} b_{13} \\ a_{31} b_{21} & a_{31} b_{22} & a_{31} b_{23} & a_{32} b_{21} & a_{32} b_{22} & a_{32} b_{23} & a_{33} b_{21} & a_{33} b_{22} & a_{33} b_{23} \\ a_{31} b_{31} & a_{31} b_{32} & a_{31} b_{33} & a_{32} b_{31} & a_{32} b_{32} & a_{32} b_{33} & a_{33} b_{31} & a_{33} b_{32} & a_{33} b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

((**Mathematica**))

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Clear["Global`*"];  
exp_ * :=  
  exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :=> Complex[re, -im]};
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A1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a1} \\ \mathbf{a2} \end{pmatrix}$ ; B1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b1} \\ \mathbf{b2} \end{pmatrix}$ ;
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C1 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B1] // Simplify;
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C1 // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a1} \mathbf{b1} \\ \mathbf{a1} \mathbf{b2} \\ \mathbf{a2} \mathbf{b1} \\ \mathbf{a2} \mathbf{b2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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A2 =  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a11} & \mathbf{a12} \\ \mathbf{a21} & \mathbf{a22} \end{pmatrix}$ ; B2 =  $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b11} & \mathbf{b12} \\ \mathbf{b21} & \mathbf{b22} \end{pmatrix}$ ;
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C2 = KroneckerProduct[A2, B2] // Simplify;
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C2 // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} b_{11} & a_{11} b_{12} & a_{12} b_{11} & a_{12} b_{12} \\ a_{11} b_{21} & a_{11} b_{22} & a_{12} b_{21} & a_{12} b_{22} \\ a_{21} b_{11} & a_{21} b_{12} & a_{22} b_{11} & a_{22} b_{12} \\ a_{21} b_{21} & a_{21} b_{22} & a_{22} b_{21} & a_{22} b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

**AB12 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B2] // Simplify;**  
**AB12 // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_{11} & a_1 b_{12} \\ a_1 b_{21} & a_1 b_{22} \\ a_2 b_{11} & a_2 b_{12} \\ a_2 b_{21} & a_2 b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A3} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a_{11}} & \mathbf{a_{12}} & \mathbf{a_{13}} \\ \mathbf{a_{21}} & \mathbf{a_{22}} & \mathbf{a_{23}} \\ \mathbf{a_{31}} & \mathbf{a_{32}} & \mathbf{a_{33}} \end{pmatrix}; \mathbf{B3} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b_{11}} & \mathbf{b_{12}} & \mathbf{b_{13}} \\ \mathbf{b_{21}} & \mathbf{b_{22}} & \mathbf{b_{23}} \\ \mathbf{b_{31}} & \mathbf{b_{32}} & \mathbf{b_{33}} \end{pmatrix};$$

**C3 = KroneckerProduct[A3, B3] // Simplify;**  
**C3 // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} b_{11} & a_{11} b_{12} & a_{11} b_{13} & a_{12} b_{11} & a_{12} b_{12} & a_{12} b_{13} & a_{13} b_{11} & a_{13} b_{12} & a_{13} b_{13} \\ a_{11} b_{21} & a_{11} b_{22} & a_{11} b_{23} & a_{12} b_{21} & a_{12} b_{22} & a_{12} b_{23} & a_{13} b_{21} & a_{13} b_{22} & a_{13} b_{23} \\ a_{11} b_{31} & a_{11} b_{32} & a_{11} b_{33} & a_{12} b_{31} & a_{12} b_{32} & a_{12} b_{33} & a_{13} b_{31} & a_{13} b_{32} & a_{13} b_{33} \\ a_{21} b_{11} & a_{21} b_{12} & a_{21} b_{13} & a_{22} b_{11} & a_{22} b_{12} & a_{22} b_{13} & a_{23} b_{11} & a_{23} b_{12} & a_{23} b_{13} \\ a_{21} b_{21} & a_{21} b_{22} & a_{21} b_{23} & a_{22} b_{21} & a_{22} b_{22} & a_{22} b_{23} & a_{23} b_{21} & a_{23} b_{22} & a_{23} b_{23} \\ a_{21} b_{31} & a_{21} b_{32} & a_{21} b_{33} & a_{22} b_{31} & a_{22} b_{32} & a_{22} b_{33} & a_{23} b_{31} & a_{23} b_{32} & a_{23} b_{33} \\ a_{31} b_{11} & a_{31} b_{12} & a_{31} b_{13} & a_{32} b_{11} & a_{32} b_{12} & a_{32} b_{13} & a_{33} b_{11} & a_{33} b_{12} & a_{33} b_{13} \\ a_{31} b_{21} & a_{31} b_{22} & a_{31} b_{23} & a_{32} b_{21} & a_{32} b_{22} & a_{32} b_{23} & a_{33} b_{21} & a_{33} b_{22} & a_{33} b_{23} \\ a_{31} b_{31} & a_{31} b_{32} & a_{31} b_{33} & a_{32} b_{31} & a_{32} b_{32} & a_{32} b_{33} & a_{33} b_{31} & a_{33} b_{32} & a_{33} b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

### 3. Relations to the matrix operations

- (a) **Bilinearity and associativity:** The Kronecker product is a special case of the tensor product, so it is bilinear and associative:

$$\hat{A} \otimes (\hat{B} + \hat{C}) = \hat{A} \otimes \hat{B} + \hat{A} \otimes \hat{C}$$

$$(\hat{A} + \hat{B}) \otimes \hat{C} = \hat{A} \otimes \hat{C} + \hat{B} \otimes \hat{C}$$

$$(k\hat{A}) \otimes \hat{B} = \hat{A} \otimes (k\hat{B}) = k(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})$$

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B}) \otimes \hat{C} = \hat{A} \otimes (\hat{B} \otimes \hat{C})$$

where  $\hat{A}$ ,  $\hat{B}$ , and  $\hat{C}$  are matrices and  $k$  is a scalar.

(b) **Non-commutative:** In general  $\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B}$  and  $\hat{B} \otimes \hat{A}$  are different matrices.

(c) The mixed-product property and the inverse of a Kronecker product: If  $\hat{A}$ ,  $\hat{B}$ ,  $\hat{C}$  and  $\hat{D}$  are matrices of such size that one can form the matrix products  $\hat{A}\hat{C}$  and  $\hat{B}\hat{D}$ , then

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})(\hat{C} \otimes \hat{D}) = (\hat{A}\hat{C}) \otimes (\hat{B}\hat{D})$$

This is called the *mixed-product property*, because it mixes the ordinary matrix product and the Kronecker product. It follows that  $\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B}$  is invertible if and only if  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are invertible, in which case the inverse is given by

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})^{-1} = \hat{A}^{-1} \otimes \hat{B}^{-1}$$

(d) **Transpose:** The transposition and conjugate transposition are distributive over the Kronecker product:

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})^T = \hat{A}^T \otimes \hat{B}^T, \quad \text{and} \quad (\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})^* = \hat{A}^* \otimes \hat{B}^*$$

((Note))

Here we show the very useful formula,

$$(\hat{A}_1 \otimes \hat{B}_1)(\hat{A}_2 \otimes \hat{B}_2)(\hat{A}_3 \otimes \hat{B}_3) \dots (\hat{A}_n \otimes \hat{B}_n) = (\hat{A}_1 \hat{A}_2 \hat{A}_3 \dots \hat{A}_n) \otimes (\hat{B}_1 \hat{B}_2 \hat{B}_3 \dots \hat{B}_n).$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{A}_1 \otimes \hat{B}_1 + \hat{A}_2 \otimes \hat{B}_2)(\hat{A}_3 \otimes \hat{B}_3 + \hat{A}_4 \otimes \hat{B}_4) &= \hat{A}_1 \hat{A}_3 \otimes \hat{B}_1 \hat{B}_3 + \hat{A}_1 \hat{A}_4 \otimes \hat{B}_1 \hat{B}_4 \\ &\quad + \hat{A}_2 \hat{A}_3 \otimes \hat{B}_2 \hat{B}_3 + \hat{A}_2 \hat{A}_4 \otimes \hat{B}_2 \hat{B}_4 \end{aligned}$$

**4. qubits:**  $|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle, |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle, |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle, |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$

$$|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### 5. $\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j$ ( $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ )

The Pauli matrices are given by

$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j$  has the 4x4 matrix. There are 9 combinations.

$$\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y \otimes \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_y \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_y \otimes \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_z \otimes \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z \otimes \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

### 6. $\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j \otimes \sigma_k$ ( $i, j, k = 1, 2, 3$ )

$\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_j \otimes \sigma_k$  has the 8x8 matrix. There are 27 combinations.

$$\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_x =$$

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

$$\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_y \otimes \sigma_y =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y \otimes \sigma_z \otimes \sigma_x =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 7. Example (1)

$$(\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_y)(|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle) = (\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle)$$



$$|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_y)(|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**((Mathematica))**

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Clear["Global`*"];
exp_* := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :-> Complex[re, -im]};

psi[0] =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ; psi[1] =  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; sigma[1] =  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ; sigma[2] =  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ;
sigma[3] =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ;

f1 = (KroneckerProduct[sigma[1], sigma[2]]); f2 = (KroneckerProduct[psi[0], psi[1]]);
f12 = f1.f2; g1 = KroneckerProduct[sigma[1].psi[0], sigma[2].psi[1]];

f12 // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


g1 // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


sigma[1].psi[0] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$


sigma[2].psi[1] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


f1 // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


f2 // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


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## 8. Example (2)

Show that

$$(\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_y \otimes \sigma_z)(|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = (\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_z|0\rangle)$$

$$|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_x \otimes \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_z|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_z|0\rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_y \otimes \sigma_z =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_y \otimes \sigma_z)(|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we conclude that

$$(\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_y \otimes \sigma_z)(|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = (\hat{\sigma}_x|0\rangle) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_y|1\rangle) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_z|0\rangle)$$

**9. Example (3)**

In general,

$$\exp(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B}) \neq \exp(\hat{A}) \otimes \exp(\hat{B})$$

We show one example which supports this.

**((Mathematica))**

We calculate separately  $\exp(\hat{\sigma}_x) \otimes \exp(\hat{\sigma}_z)$  and  $\exp(\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_z)$  using the Mathematica. It is shown that

$$\exp(\hat{\sigma}_x) \otimes \exp(\hat{\sigma}_z) \neq \exp(\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_z).$$

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Clear["Global`*"];  $\sigma[1] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \sigma[2] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \sigma[3] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix};$ 

 $\Sigma[i_, j_] := \text{KroneckerProduct}[\text{MatrixExp}[\sigma[i]], \text{MatrixExp}[\sigma[j]]] //$ 
  FullSimplify;
 $\chi[i_, j_] := \text{MatrixExp}[\text{KroneckerProduct}[\sigma[j], \sigma[i]]] // \text{FullSimplify};$ 

 $\Sigma[1, 3] // \text{MatrixForm}$ 

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(1+e^2) & 0 & \frac{1}{2}(-1+e^2) & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{e^2}\right) & 0 & \frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2e^2} \\ \frac{1}{2}(-1+e^2) & 0 & \frac{1}{2}(1+e^2) & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2e^2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{e^2}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

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 $\chi[1, 3] // \text{MatrixForm}$ 

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1+e^2}{2e} & \frac{-1+e^2}{2e} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{-1+e^2}{2e} & \frac{1+e^2}{2e} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1+e^2}{2e} & -\frac{-1+e^2}{2e} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{-1+e^2}{2e} & \frac{1+e^2}{2e} \end{pmatrix}$$

### 10. Steeb and Hardy Problem ((2-1))

(i) Let

$$|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus  $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$  forms a basis. Calculate

$$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle, \quad |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle, \quad |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle, \quad |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$$

(ii) Consider the Pauli matrices

$$\hat{\sigma}_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find

$$\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \hat{\sigma}_z,$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_z \otimes \hat{\sigma}_x$$

**((Solution))**

$$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**(ii)**

$$\sigma_x \otimes \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z \otimes \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**((Mathematica))**

```

Clear["Global`*"];
exp_ * := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :=> Complex[re, -im]};

ψ1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ; ψ2 =  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ;

M11 = KroneckerProduct[ψ1, ψ1] // Simplify; M11 // MatrixForm
 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

M12 = KroneckerProduct[ψ1, ψ2] // Simplify; M12 // MatrixForm
 $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

M21 = KroneckerProduct[ψ2, ψ1] // Simplify; M21 // MatrixForm
 $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

M22 = KroneckerProduct[ψ2, ψ2] // Simplify; M22 // MatrixForm
 $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

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$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix};$$

`A13 = KroneckerProduct[σ1, σ3] // Simplify; A13 // MatrixForm`

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

`A31 = KroneckerProduct[σ3, σ1] // Simplify; A31 // MatrixForm`

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

`A13 - A31 // Simplify`

`{{0, -1, 1, 0}, {-1, 0, 0, -1}, {1, 0, 0, 1}, {0, -1, 1, 0}}`

### 11. Steeb and Hardy Problem (2-4)

The single-bit Walsh-Hadamard transform is the unitary operator  $\hat{W}$  given by

$$\hat{W}|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|0\rangle + |1\rangle], \quad \hat{W}|1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|0\rangle - |1\rangle]$$

or

$$\hat{W} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The  $n$ -bit Walsh-Hadamard transformation  $\hat{W}_n$  is defined as

$$\hat{W}_n = \hat{W} \otimes \hat{W} \otimes \hat{W} \otimes \dots \otimes \hat{W} \quad (n \text{ times})$$

Consider  $n = 2$ . Find

$$\hat{W}_2|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$$

**((Solution))**



$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{W}_2|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle &= (\hat{W} \otimes \hat{W}) \otimes (|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) \\
&= \hat{W}|0\rangle \otimes \hat{W}|0\rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \otimes (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}[|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle]
\end{aligned}$$

So  $\hat{W}_2|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$  generates a linear combination of all states. This also applies to  $\hat{W}_n$ .

**((Note))**

$$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$W_2|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = W|0\rangle \otimes W|0\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W_3|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = W|0\rangle \otimes W|0\rangle \otimes W|0\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**((Mathematica))**

```
Clear["Global`*"];
exp_* := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :=> Complex[re, -im]};
```

$$W = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \psi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}; \psi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

```
 $\chi_0 = W.\psi_0$ ;  $\chi_0$  // MatrixForm
```

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

```
 $\Omega_1 = \text{KroneckerProduct}[\chi_0, \chi_0]$ ;  $\Omega_1$  // MatrixForm
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

```
 $\Omega_2 = \text{KroneckerProduct}[\chi_0, \chi_0, \chi_0]$ ;  $\Omega_2$  // MatrixForm
```

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

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## 12. Steeb and Hardy Problem ((2-12))

Let  $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle, |2\rangle, |3\rangle, \dots, |n-1\rangle\}$  be an orthonormal basis in the Hilbert space. Is

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{n-2} |j\rangle \otimes |j+1\rangle + |n-1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \right],$$

independent of the chosen orthonormal basis? Prove or disprove.

For  $n = 2$ ,

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle].$$

**((Solution))**

(i)

Using the basis

$$|0\rangle = |+z\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle = |-z\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

we get

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(ii)

Using the basis

$$|0\rangle = |+x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle = |-x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

we get

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(iii)

Using the basis

$$|0\rangle = |+y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle = |-y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix},$$

we get

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [ |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle ] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In conclusion,  $|\psi\rangle$  depends on the chosen basis.

**((Mathematica))**

```

Clear["Global`*"];
exp_* := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] => Complex[re, -im]};

psi_zp = (1/0); psi_zn = (0/1); psi_xp = (1/1); psi_xn = (1/-1); psi_yp = (1/i)
psi_yn = (1/-i); Mz = (1/2) (KroneckerProduct[psi_zp, psi_zn]
+ KroneckerProduct[psi_zn, psi_zp]) // Simplify;
Mx = (1/2) (KroneckerProduct[psi_xp, psi_xn]
+ KroneckerProduct[psi_xn, psi_xp]) // Simplify;
My = (1/2) (KroneckerProduct[psi_yp, psi_yn]
+ KroneckerProduct[psi_yn, psi_yp]) // Simplify;

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**Mz // MatrixForm**

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

**Mx // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

**My // MatrixForm**

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

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**13. Steeb and Hardy Problem ((2-13))**

The Bell states are given by

$$|\Phi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$|\Phi^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle - |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\Psi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\Psi^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle - |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and form an orthonormal basis. Here  $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$ . Let

$$|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\phi} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{i\phi} \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i) Find  $|\Phi^+\rangle, |\Phi^-\rangle, |\Psi^+\rangle, |\Psi^-\rangle$  for this basis.
- (ii) Consider the case when  $\theta = 0$  and  $\phi = 0$ .

**((Mathematica))**

```

Clear["Global`*"];
exp_* := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :=> Complex[re, -im]};

rule1 = {θ -> 0, φ -> 0};

ψ1 = ( Exp[i φ] Cos[θ] ) ; ψ2 = ( -Exp[i φ] Sin[θ] ) ;
      ( Sin[θ] ) ; ( Cos[θ] ) ;

ϕ1 = 1 / Sqrt[2] (KroneckerProduct[ψ1, ψ1]
                  + KroneckerProduct[ψ2, ψ2]) // Simplify;
ϕ1 // MatrixForm

( ( e^{2 i φ} / Sqrt[2] )
  ( 0
    ( 0
      ( 1 / Sqrt[2] )
    )
  )
)

ϕ2 = 1 / Sqrt[2] (KroneckerProduct[ψ1, ψ1]
                  - KroneckerProduct[ψ2, ψ2]) // Simplify;
ϕ2 // MatrixForm

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{e^{2i\phi} \cos[2\theta]}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \sqrt{2} e^{i\phi} \cos[\theta] \sin[\theta] \\ \sqrt{2} e^{i\phi} \cos[\theta] \sin[\theta] \\ -\frac{\cos[2\theta]}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_3 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\text{KroneckerProduct}[\psi_1, \psi_2] \\ &\quad + \text{KroneckerProduct}[\psi_2, \psi_1]) // \text{FullSimplify}; \\ \Phi_3 & // \text{MatrixForm} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{2} e^{2i\phi} \cos[\theta] \sin[\theta] \\ \frac{e^{i\phi} \cos[2\theta]}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{e^{i\phi} \cos[2\theta]}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \sqrt{2} \cos[\theta] \sin[\theta] \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_4 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\text{KroneckerProduct}[\psi_1, \psi_2] \\ &\quad - \text{KroneckerProduct}[\psi_2, \psi_1]) // \text{FullSimplify}; \\ \Phi_4 & // \text{MatrixForm} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{e^{i\phi}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{e^{i\phi}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Ⓠ1 /. rule1 // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Ⓠ2 /. rule1 // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

**Ⓠ3 /. rule1 // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Ⓠ4 /. rule1 // MatrixForm**

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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#### 14. Problem and solution

Let  $B$  be the Bell matrix

$$B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i) Find  $B^{-1}$  and  $B^T$ .
- (ii) Show that

$$(I_2 \otimes B)(B \otimes I_2)(I_2 \otimes B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(I_2 \otimes B^2 + B^2 \otimes I_2)$$

- (iii) Solve the eigenvalue problem for the Bell matrix  $B$ .

**((Mathematica))**

We solve this problem using the Mathematica.

$$\text{Clear["Global`*"]; B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; I2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

**Inverse[B] // MatrixForm**

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

**Transpose[B] // MatrixForm**

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

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f1 = KroneckerProduct [I2, B]; f2 = KroneckerProduct [B, I2];
f = f1.(f2.f1);
f // MatrixForm

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

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g1 = KroneckerProduct [I2, B.B];
g2 = KroneckerProduct [B.B, I2];

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$$\mathbf{g} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\mathbf{g1} + \mathbf{g2});$$

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g // MatrixForm

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

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Eigensystem [B]

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$$\left\{ \left\{ \frac{1 + \mathbf{i}}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1 + \mathbf{i}}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1 - \mathbf{i}}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1 - \mathbf{i}}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}, \right. \\ \left. \left\{ \{-\mathbf{i}, 0, 0, 1\}, \{0, \mathbf{i}, 1, 0\}, \{\mathbf{i}, 0, 0, 1\}, \{0, -\mathbf{i}, 1, 0\} \right\} \right\}$$

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**15. Problem and solution**

(i) Consider the matrix

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show that the inverse  $T^{-1}$  of  $T$  exists and find the inverse.

(ii) Let

$$F_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

Calculate

$$T(F_\alpha \otimes F_\alpha)T^{-1}.$$

**((Mathematica))**

```

Clear["Global`*"];
exp_ * :=
  exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :=> Complex[re, -im]};

T =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ; InvT = Inverse[T];

F $\alpha$  =  $\begin{pmatrix} \text{Cos}[\alpha] & -\text{Sin}[\alpha] \\ \text{Sin}[\alpha] & \text{Cos}[\alpha] \end{pmatrix}$ ; F $\beta$  =  $\begin{pmatrix} \text{Cos}[\beta] & -\text{Sin}[\beta] \\ \text{Sin}[\beta] & \text{Cos}[\beta] \end{pmatrix}$ ;

A1 = T.KroneckerProduct[F $\alpha$ , Transpose[F $\beta$ ]].
  Inverse[T] // Simplify;
InvT // MatrixForm

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

A1 // MatrixForm

 $\begin{pmatrix} \text{Cos}[\alpha + \beta] & 0 & 0 & i \text{Sin}[\alpha + \beta] \\ 0 & \text{Cos}[\alpha - \beta] & -\text{Sin}[\alpha - \beta] & 0 \\ 0 & \text{Sin}[\alpha - \beta] & \text{Cos}[\alpha - \beta] & 0 \\ i \text{Sin}[\alpha + \beta] & 0 & 0 & \text{Cos}[\alpha + \beta] \end{pmatrix}$ 

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## APPENDIX-I Spin 1/2 systems

We use the following notations for the spin 1/2 system.

$$|+z\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |-z\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|+x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |-x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|+y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}, \quad |-y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we have

$$|\psi_z\rangle = \frac{1}{2} [|+z\rangle \otimes |-z\rangle + |-z\rangle \otimes |+z\rangle] = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\psi_x\rangle = \frac{1}{2} [|+x\rangle \otimes |-x\rangle + |-x\rangle \otimes |+x\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\psi_y\rangle = \frac{1}{2} [|+y\rangle \otimes |-y\rangle + |-y\rangle \otimes |+y\rangle] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## APPENDIX-II KroneckerProduct (mathematics)

### (a) Definition of Kronecker Product

We consider a matrix  $A$  and a matrix  $B$  which are given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we get

$$A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} \\ a_{11}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{12} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

We introduce vectors given by

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Consider two linear transformations

$$x = Az = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}z_1 + a_{12}z_2 \\ a_{21}z_1 + a_{22}z_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$y = Bw = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11}w_1 + b_{12}w_2 \\ b_{21}w_1 + b_{22}w_2 \end{pmatrix};$$

The vectors  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= x \otimes y \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 y \\ x_2 y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 y_1 \\ x_1 y_2 \\ x_2 y_1 \\ x_2 y_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (a_{11}z_1 + a_{12}z_2)(b_{11}w_1 + b_{12}w_2) \\ (a_{11}z_1 + a_{12}z_2)(b_{21}w_1 + b_{22}w_2) \\ (a_{21}z_1 + a_{22}z_2)(b_{11}w_1 + b_{12}w_2) \\ (a_{21}z_1 + a_{22}z_2)(b_{21}w_1 + b_{22}w_2) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} \\ a_{11}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{12} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 w_1 \\ z_1 w_2 \\ z_2 w_1 \\ z_2 w_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and



$$v = z \otimes w = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 w \\ z_2 w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 w_1 \\ z_1 w_2 \\ z_2 w_1 \\ z_2 w_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we can calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (A \otimes B)(z \otimes w) &= \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} \\ a_{11}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{12} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 w_1 \\ z_1 w_2 \\ z_2 w_1 \\ z_2 w_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 y_1 \\ x_1 y_2 \\ x_2 y_1 \\ x_2 y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \mu \\ &= x \otimes y \\ &= (Az) \otimes (Bw) \end{aligned}$$

In other words, we have

$$(A \otimes B)(z \otimes w) = (Az) \otimes (Bw)$$

Note that

$$A^{-1} \otimes B^{-1} = (A \otimes B)^{-1}$$

**(b) Definition of Kronecker Sum (see the Appendix)**

Given a matrix  $A$  and a matrix  $B$ , their Kronecker Sum denoted by  $A \oplus B$  is defined as the expression

$$A \oplus B = A \otimes I_m + I_n \otimes B$$

where  $A(n \times n)$ ,  $B(m \times m)$ ,  $I_m$  ( $m \times m$ , identity matrix), and  $I_n$  ( $n \times n$ , identity matrix),

We verify that

$$\exp(A) \otimes I_2 = \exp(A \otimes I_2).$$

where  $I_2$  is the identity matrix of  $2 \times 2$ .

**(c) Theorem-1**

$$\begin{aligned}(A \otimes B)(u_i \otimes v_j) &= Au_i \otimes Bv_j \\ &= a_i u_i \otimes b_j v_j \\ &= a_i b_j (u_i \otimes v_j)\end{aligned}$$

where  $u_i$  is the eigenvector of  $A$  with an eigenvalue  $a_i$  and  $v_j$  is the eigenvector of  $B$  with an eigenvalue  $b_j$  and

$$Au_i = a_i u_i \quad \text{and} \quad Bv_j = b_j v_j$$

**(d) Theorem-2**

Theorem:

Note that

$$A \oplus B = A \otimes I_B + I_A \otimes B$$

where  $I_A$  is the identity matrix for the same size of the matrix  $A$  and  $I_B$  is the identity matrix for the same size of the matrix  $B$ .  $A \oplus B$  denotes the Kronecker sum, but not a direct sum.

If  $\{\lambda_i\}$  and  $\{\mu_j\}$  are the eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively, then  $\{\lambda_i + \mu_j\}$  are the eigenvalues of  $A \oplus B$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(A \oplus B)(a_i \otimes b_j) &= (A \otimes I)(a_i \otimes b_j) + (I \otimes B)(a_i \otimes b_j) \\ &= (Aa_i \otimes b_j) + (a_i \otimes Bb_j) \\ &= (\lambda_i a_i \otimes b_j) + (a_i \otimes \mu_j b_j) \\ &= (\lambda_i + \mu_j)(a_i \otimes b_j)\end{aligned}$$

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**APPENDIX-III      Formula**

(a).      Formula-1

$$(|a\rangle_1 \otimes |b\rangle_2) \langle c| \otimes \langle d| = (|a\rangle_1 \langle c|) \otimes (|b\rangle_2 \langle d|)$$

((Proof))

```
Clear["Global`*"]; expr_* := expr /. Complex[a_, b_] := Complex[a, -b];
```

$$A1 = \begin{pmatrix} a1 \\ a2 \\ a3 \end{pmatrix}; B1 = \begin{pmatrix} b1 \\ b2 \\ b3 \end{pmatrix}; C1 = \begin{pmatrix} c1 \\ c2 \\ c3 \end{pmatrix}; D1 = \begin{pmatrix} d1 \\ d2 \\ d3 \end{pmatrix};$$

```
f1 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B1];
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```
f2 = KroneckerProduct[Transpose[C1], Transpose[D1]];
```

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f12 = f1.f2;
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```
g1 = (A1.Transpose[C1]); g2 = B1.Transpose[D1];
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```
g12 = KroneckerProduct[g1, g2];
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```
f12 - g12 // Simplify
```

```
{{0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},  
 {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},  
 {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},  
 {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},  
 {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0}}
```

(b). **Formula-2**

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})(|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle) = \hat{A}|\psi_1\rangle \otimes \hat{B}|\psi_2\rangle$$

((Proof))

```
Clear["Global`*"];
```

```
exp_* :=
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exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] := Complex[re, -im]};
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$$A1 = \begin{pmatrix} a11 & a12 & a13 \\ a21 & a22 & a23 \\ a31 & a32 & a33 \end{pmatrix}; B1 = \begin{pmatrix} b11 & b12 & b13 \\ b21 & b22 & b23 \\ b31 & b32 & b33 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$\psi1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha1 \\ \alpha2 \\ \alpha3 \end{pmatrix}; \psi2 = \begin{pmatrix} \beta1 \\ \beta2 \\ \beta3 \end{pmatrix}; f1 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B1];$$

```
f2 = KroneckerProduct[psi1, psi2]; f12 = f1.f2;
```

```
g1 = A1.psi1; g2 = B1.psi2; g12 = KroneckerProduct[g1, g2];
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```
f12 - g12 // Simplify
```

```
{{0}, {0}, {0}, {0}, {0}, {0}, {0}, {0}, {0}}
```

(c) Formula 3

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})(\hat{C} \otimes \hat{D}) = (\hat{A}\hat{C}) \otimes (B\hat{D})$$

((Proof))

```
Clear["Global`*"];  
exp_* := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] :=> Complex[re, -im]};
```

$$A1 = \begin{pmatrix} a11 & a12 & a13 \\ a21 & a22 & a23 \\ a31 & a32 & a33 \end{pmatrix}; B1 = \begin{pmatrix} b11 & b12 & b13 \\ b21 & b22 & b23 \\ b31 & b32 & b33 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$C1 = \begin{pmatrix} c11 & c12 & c13 \\ c21 & c22 & c23 \\ c31 & c32 & c33 \end{pmatrix};$$

$$D1 = \begin{pmatrix} d11 & d12 & d13 \\ d21 & d22 & d23 \\ d31 & d32 & d33 \end{pmatrix};$$

```
f1 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B1];  
f2 = KroneckerProduct[C1, D1]; f12 = f1.f2;  
g1 = A1.C1; g2 = B1.D1;  
g12 = KroneckerProduct[g1, g2];  
f12 - g12 // FullSimplify // MatrixForm
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d). Formula-4

$$(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B})^{-1} = \hat{A}^{-1} \otimes \hat{B}^{-1}$$

((Proof))

```

Clear["Global`*"];
exp_* := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] := Complex[re, -im]};
A1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} a11 & a12 \\ a21 & a22 \end{pmatrix}$ ; AR1 = Inverse[A1]; B1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} b11 & b12 \\ b21 & b22 \end{pmatrix}$ ;
BR1 = Inverse[B1];

f1 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B1] // Simplify;
f2 = Inverse[f1] // Simplify;
g1 = KroneckerProduct[AR1, BR1] // Simplify;
f2 - g1 // FullSimplify

{{0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0}}

```

**(e) Formula**

$$Tr(\hat{A} \otimes \hat{B}) = Tr(\hat{B} \otimes \hat{A}) = Tr(\hat{A})Tr(\hat{B})$$

```

Clear["Global`*"];
exp_ * := exp /. {Complex[re_, im_] := Complex[re, -im]};

A1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix}$ ;

B1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$ ;

f1 = KroneckerProduct[A1, B1];
f2 = KroneckerProduct[B1, A1];

g1 = Tr[f1] // Simplify
(a11 + a22 + a33) (b11 + b22 + b33)

g2 = Tr[f2] // Simplify
(a11 + a22 + a33) (b11 + b22 + b33)

g1 - g2
0

g3 = Tr[A1] Tr[B1]
(a11 + a22 + a33) (b11 + b22 + b33)

g1 - g3
0

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#### APPENDIX-IV Direct sum

##### (a) Direct sum of two matrices, $A \oplus B$

Another operation, which is used less often, is the direct sum (denoted by  $\oplus$ ). Note the Kronecker sum is also denoted by  $\oplus$ ; the context should make the usage clear. The direct sum of any pair of matrices  $A$  of size  $m \times n$  and  $B$  of size  $p \times q$  is a matrix of size  $((m + p) \times (n + q))$  defined as

$$A \oplus B = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}.$$

The direct sum of matrices is a special type of block matrix, in particular the direct sum of square matrices is a block diagonal matrix. In general, the direct sum of  $n$  matrices is

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^n A_i = \text{diag}(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & A_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where the zeros are actually blocks of zeros, i.e. zero matrices.

We define  $A \oplus B$  as follows. Suppose that

$$A \oplus B = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

For example, we have

$$A \oplus B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{2 \times 2} & O_{2 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 2} & B_{3 \times 3} \end{pmatrix};$$

**(b) Direct sum of two vectors,  $v \oplus w$**

$$v \oplus w = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \cdot \\ v_n \\ w_1 \\ \cdot \\ w_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{n \times 1} \\ w_{m \times 1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$v$  is the column matrix ( $n \times 1$ ), and  $w$  is the column matrix ( $m \times 1$ ).

**(c).**  $(A \oplus B)(v \oplus w)$

$$(A \oplus B)(v \oplus w) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{2 \times 2} & O_{2 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 2} & B_{3 \times 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{2 \times 1} \\ w_{3 \times 1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{2 \times 2} v_{2 \times 1} \\ B_{3 \times 3} w_{3 \times 1} \end{pmatrix} = (Av) \oplus (Bw)$$

Similarly, we have

$$(A \oplus B)(C \oplus D) = \begin{pmatrix} A_{2 \times 2} & O_{2 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 2} & B_{3 \times 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_{2 \times 2} & O_{2 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 2} & D_{3 \times 3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{2 \times 2} C_{2 \times 2} & O_{2 \times 3} \\ O_{3 \times 2} & B_{3 \times 3} D_{3 \times 3} \end{pmatrix}$$

**(d) Properties**

Other useful formula are

$$\det(A \oplus B) = \det A \det B$$

$$\text{Tr}(A \oplus B) = \text{Tr}(A) + \text{Tr}(B)$$

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## APPENDIX-V Kronecker sum

The Kronecker sum is different from the direct sum, but is also denoted by  $\oplus$ . It is defined using the Kronecker product  $\otimes$  and normal matrix addition. If  $A$  is  $n \times n$ ,  $B$  is  $m \times m$  and  $I_k$  denotes the  $(k \times k)$  identity matrix, then the Kronecker sum is defined by

$$A \oplus B = A \otimes I_m + I_n \otimes B$$

**((Example))**

When



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad I_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

we have the **Kronecker sum** as

$$A \oplus B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} & a_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ b_{21} & a_{11} + b_{22} & b_{23} & 0 & a_{12} & 0 \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & a_{11} + b_{33} & 0 & 0 & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & 0 & 0 & a_{22} + b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & a_{21} & 0 & b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a_{21} & b_{31} & b_{32} & a_{22} + b_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

We note that the **direct sum** is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_{11} & b_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$