# UNEXTENDIBLE MAXIMALLY ENTANGLED BASIS IN $C^8 \otimes C^{8^*}$

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#### ABSTRACT

In order to construct unextendible maximally entangled basis (UMEB) in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ , we find that it can be constructed from that in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$ . In this paper, we will use the 12 member UMEB in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$  to construct 56-member UMEB in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ , and give the corresponding proof.

## **I INTRODUCTION**

S.Bravyi and J.A.Smolin [1] generalized the notion of the unextendible product base (UPB) to the unextendible entangled basis (UEB), which is a set of bipartite pure states  $|\psi_i\rangle$  each of which has entanglement  $\alpha$  but whose complement space is non-empty and contains no states of entanglement  $\alpha$ . When  $\alpha = 1$ , the basis is called unextendible maximally entangled basis (UMEB) [1]. They also proved that there are no UMEB in  $C^2 \otimes C^2$  and constructed a 6-member UMEB in  $C^3 \otimes C^3$  and a 12-member UMEB in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$ .

Bin Chen and Shao-Ming Fei [2] provided a systematic ways of constructing a set of  $d^2$  orthonormal maximally entangled states in  $C^d \otimes C^{d'} \left(\frac{d'}{2} < d < d'\right)$ . In 2014, Mao-Sheng Li and

Yan-Ling Wang [3] gave an explicit construction of UMEB by considering the Schmidt number of the complementary space of the states they constructed. Later, they [4] showed that for a give *N*-member UMEB in  $C^d \otimes C^d$ , there is a  $\tilde{N}$ -member UMEB in  $C^{qd} \otimes C^{qd}$  for any  $q \in N$  where  $\tilde{N} = (qd)^2 - q(d^2 - N)$ .

In this paper, we try to contruct maximally entangled states in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$  from that in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$ , and prove that these states constitute a UMEB.

## II. UMEBS IN Cqd & Cqd

**Definition**<sup>[1]</sup> A set of states  $\{|\psi_i\rangle \in C^d \otimes C^d : a = 1, 2, ..., n, n < d^2\}$  is called an n-member UMEB if and only if:

- (i)  $|\psi_a\rangle$ , a = 1, 2, ..., n, are maximally entangled;
- (ii)  $\langle \Phi_a | \Psi \rangle = \delta_{ab};$
- (iii) If  $\langle \Phi_a | \Psi \rangle = 0$  for all a = 1, 2, ..., n, then  $| \Psi \rangle$  cannot be maximally entangled.

Here,  $|\Phi_a\rangle$  can be expressed as

$$|\Phi_a\rangle = (I \otimes U_a) \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} |i\rangle \otimes |i\rangle, \tag{1}$$

where, I is the  $d \times d$  identity maxtrix,  $U_a$  is any unitary maxtrix. We can know form (1) that,

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the conditions (i-iii) can now be rephrased as [1]

- (i)  $U_a$ , a = 1, 2, ..., n, and all unitary metrices;
- (ii)  $\operatorname{Tr}(U_a^{\dagger}U_b) = d\delta_{ab};$

(iii) If  $\text{Tr}(U_a^{\dagger}U) = 0$  for all a = 1, 2, ..., n, then U cannot be unitary.

**Lemma**<sup>[4]</sup> If there is an *N*-member UMEB in  $C^d \otimes C^d$ , then for any  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ , there is a  $\widetilde{N}$ -member,  $\widetilde{N} = (qd)^2 - q(d^2 - N)$ , UMEB in  $C^{qd} \otimes C^{qd}$ .

Let  $\{U_n\}, n = 1, 2, ..., N < d^2$ , be the set of unitary matrices that given rise to the *N*-member UMEB in  $C^d \otimes C^d$ , and

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}, W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & \xi_{q} & \xi_{q}^{2} & \cdots & \xi_{q}^{q-1} \\ 1 & \xi_{q}^{2} & \xi_{q}^{4} & \cdots & \xi_{q}^{2(q-1)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \xi_{q}^{q-1} & \xi_{q}^{2(q-1)} & \cdots & \xi_{q}^{(q-1)^{2}} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\xi_q = e^{\frac{2\pi\sqrt{-1}}{q}}$ .

Denote 
$$U_{nm} = \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} e^{\frac{2\pi\sqrt{-1}}{q}kn|k\oplus m\rangle\langle k|}$$
. m, n = 0, ..., d-1,

Set

$$U_{nm}^{gn} = (W^g S^h) \otimes U_{nm}, \ 0 \le g \le q - 1, 1 \le h \le q - 1, m, n = 0, ..., d - 1.$$
(2)  
$$U_n^g = W^g \otimes U_n, \ g = 0, 1, ..., q - 1, \ n = 1, 2, ..., N < d^2$$
(3)

then  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}, U_n^g\}$  give a  $(qd)^2 - q(d^2 - N)$ -member UMEB in  $C^{qd} \otimes C^{qd}$ .

The specific construction method will be described in detail by the example of UMEB in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ .

## **III.UMEBS IN** $C^8 \otimes C^8$

According to the above content, we can construct UMEB in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$  from the UMEB in  $C^2 \otimes C^2$  or in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$  because of  $8 = 2 \times 4$ . In Ref [1], we have known that UMEBs do not exist in  $C^2 \otimes C^2$ . Therefore, in order to construct UMEBs in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ , we have to use the 12-member UMEBs in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$ .

We can calculate that there are 56-member UMEBs in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$  by the formula  $\tilde{N} = (qd)^2 - q(d^2 - N)$ , where q = 2, d = 4, N = 12. Now, it's time to construct the 56-member UMEBs by two parts.

1. 32 maximally entangled states in  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}$ 

In this case, it's easy to know that:

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

From the formula (2), we can get that

$$U_{nm}^{gh} = (W^g S^h) \otimes U_{nm}$$

where

$$W^{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad W^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad w = e^{\frac{2\pi\sqrt{-1}}{4}} = i, \quad S^{h} = S, \quad h = 1,$$
$$U_{nm} = \sum_{k=0}^{3} e^{(-1) \times kn |k \oplus m\rangle \langle k|}, \quad m, n = 0, 12, 3.$$

With the formula (1), we get the following 32 maximally entangled states

$$|\Phi_a\rangle = \left(I \otimes U_{nm}^{gh}\right) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{g=0}^7 |g\rangle \otimes |g\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{g=0}^7 |g\rangle \otimes \left(\left((W^g S^h) \otimes U_{nm}\right) |g\rangle\right),\tag{8}$$

where *r*=1,2, *s*=1, m,n=0,1,2,3

The above 32 maximally entangled states in (8) are as follows:

$$\begin{split} |\Phi_{1,2,\dots,8}\rangle &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(a_1|04'\rangle + a_2|15'\rangle + a_3|26'\rangle + a_4|37'\rangle + a_5|40'\rangle + a_6|51'\rangle + a_7|62'\rangle + a_8|73'\rangle), \\ |\Phi_{9,10,\dots,16}\rangle &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(a_1|05'\rangle + a_2|16'\rangle + a_3|27'\rangle + a_4|34'\rangle + a_5|41'\rangle + a_6|52'\rangle + a_7|63'\rangle + a_8|74'\rangle), \\ |\Phi_{17,18,\dots,24}\rangle &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(a_1|06'\rangle + a_2|17'\rangle + a_3|24'\rangle + a_4|35'\rangle + a_5|42'\rangle + a_6|53'\rangle + a_7|64'\rangle + a_8|75'\rangle), \\ |\Phi_{25,26,\dots,32}\rangle &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(a_1|07'\rangle + a_2|14'\rangle + a_3|25'\rangle + a_4|36'\rangle + a_5|43'\rangle + a_6|53'\rangle + a_7|60'\rangle + a_8|71'\rangle), \end{split}$$

the above coefficients  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6, a_7, a_8)$  take eight column values in the following matrix:

-i
-1
i
-1
i
1
_i J

2. 24 maximally entangled states in  $\{U_n^g\}$ 

In Ref. [1], we get the following 12- member UMEBs in  $C^4 \otimes C^4$  explicitly:

$$U_{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sigma_{x} \otimes (\sigma_{x} - \sigma_{y}), \ U_{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\sigma_{x} - \sigma_{y}) \otimes \sigma_{z}, \ U_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sigma_{z} \otimes (-\sigma_{y} + \sigma_{z}),$$

$$U_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( -\sigma_y + \sigma_z \right) \otimes \sigma_z, \ U_5 = \frac{1}{3} \left( \sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z \right) \otimes \left( \sigma_x + \sigma_y + \sigma_z \right),$$

and  $\{U_6, ..., U_{12}\} = \{I \otimes I, I \otimes \sigma_x, I \otimes \sigma_y, I \otimes \sigma_z, \sigma_x \otimes I, \sigma_y \otimes I, \sigma_z \otimes I\}$ , where  $\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z$  are the Pauli matrices.

From the formula (3), we get that:

$$U_n^1 = \begin{bmatrix} U_n & O_4 \\ O_4 & U_n \end{bmatrix}, \ U_n^2 = \begin{bmatrix} U_n & O_4 \\ O_4 & -U_n \end{bmatrix},$$

where n = 1, 2, ..., 12.

By  $|\psi_g\rangle = (I \otimes U_a) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sum_{g=0}^7 |g\rangle \otimes |g\rangle$ , we can get the other 24 maximally entangled states.

Next, we prove that the above 56 maximally entangled states in  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}, U_n^g\}$  is a 56-member UMEB in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ .

(1) Since  $W^g$ , S,  $U_{nm}$  are all unitary, so are  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}, U_n^g\}$ . It's obvious to find that  $n = 56 < d^2 = 64$ , so the given set of matrices satisfy the first condition of UMEB.

(2) In order to prove the orthogonality of the these unitary states, we consider three different cases:

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(i) inner products in between two elements in  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}$ 

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(U_{nm}^{gh}\right)^{\dagger}U_{\tilde{n}\tilde{m}}^{\tilde{g}h}\right) = \operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(\left(W^{g}S^{h}\right)\otimes U_{nm}\right)^{\dagger}\left(\left(W^{\tilde{g}}S^{\tilde{h}}\right)\otimes U_{\tilde{n}\tilde{m}}\right)\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(\left(W^{g}S^{h}\right)^{\dagger}\left(W^{\tilde{g}}S^{\tilde{h}}\right)\right)\otimes U_{nm}^{\dagger}U_{\tilde{n}\tilde{m}}\right)$$

 $= 8\delta_{g\tilde{g}}\delta_{h\tilde{h}}\delta_{n\tilde{n}}\delta_{m\tilde{m}}.$ 

(ii) inner products in between two elements in  $\{U_n^g\}$ 

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(U_{n}^{g}\right)^{\dagger}U_{\tilde{n}}^{\tilde{h}}\right) = \operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(W^{g}\otimes U_{nm}\right)^{\dagger}\left(W^{g}\otimes U_{\tilde{n}}\right)\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(\left(W^{g}\right)^{\dagger}\left(W^{\tilde{h}}\right)\right)\otimes U_{n}^{\dagger}U_{\tilde{n}}\right)$$
$$= 8\delta_{g\tilde{a}}\delta_{n\tilde{n}}.$$

(iii) inner products between one elements in  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}\$  and the other one in  $\{U_n^g\}\$ 

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(U_{nm}^{gh}\right)^{\dagger}U_{\tilde{n}}^{\tilde{g}}\right) = \operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(\left(W^{g}S^{h}\right)\otimes U_{nm}\right)^{\dagger}\left(W^{\tilde{g}}\otimes U_{\tilde{n}}\right)\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{Tr}\left(\left(\left(W^{g}S^{h}\right)^{\dagger}W^{\tilde{g}}\right)\otimes U_{nm}^{\dagger}U_{\tilde{n}}\right)$$
$$= 0.$$

So the given set of matrices satisfy the second condition of UMEB.

(3) Assume that  $U \in M_8(\mathbb{C})$  satisfy

$$\operatorname{Tr}(U^{\dagger}U_{nm}^{gh}) = 0$$
 and  $\operatorname{Tr}(U^{\dagger}U_{n}^{g}) = 0$ 

Let  $V_1 = \text{span}\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}$ ,  $\dim V_1 = 32$ . Denote

$$V_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0\\ 0 & A_2 \end{bmatrix} | A_1, A_2 \in M_4(C) \right\}$$

then dimV<sub>2</sub> = 32. We have  $\operatorname{Tr}(A_q^{\dagger}U_{nm}^{gh}) = 0$  (q = 1,2). Thus for any matrix  $B \in V_1$ ,  $\operatorname{Tr}(A_q^{\dagger}B) = 0$  (q = 1,2). Namely,  $V_2 \subseteq V_1^{\perp}$ . Accounting to the dimensions of  $V_1, V_2$  and  $M_8(C)$ , we obtain  $V_1^{\perp} = V_2$ . Set  $V_3 = \operatorname{span}\{U_{nm}^{gh}, U_n^g\}$ . Clearly,  $V_3^{\perp} \subset V_1^{\perp} = V_2$ . Therefore  $U \in V_3^{\perp}$ , and the matrix U has the form

 $U = \text{diag}(W_1, W_2) \quad \text{where } W_1, W_2 \in M_4(\mathbb{C})$ In addition,  $\text{Tr} = (U^{\dagger}U_n^g) = 0$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left(\begin{bmatrix}W_1 & 0\\ 0 & W_2\end{bmatrix}^{\dagger}\begin{bmatrix}U_g & 0\\ 0 & \pm U_g\end{bmatrix}\right)=0$$

i.e.  $\operatorname{Tr}(W_1^{\dagger}U_g) \pm \operatorname{Tr}(W_2^{\dagger}U_g) = 0$ , we have  $\operatorname{Tr}(W_1^{\dagger}U_g) = \operatorname{Tr}(W_2^{\dagger}U_g) = 0$  for g = 1, ..., 8, which implies  $W_1, W_2 \notin U(4)$  and hence  $U \notin U(8)$ . Therefore we conclude that  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}, U_n^g\}$  is a 56-member UMEB in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ .

#### **IV.CONCLUSION**

We have constructed 32 and 24 maximally entangled states from  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}\$  and  $\{U_n^g\}$ , respectively. Then we proved their orthogonality in three cases: inner products between two elements in  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}$ , inner products between two elements in  $\{U_n^g\}$ , inner products between one

elements in  $\{U_{nm}^{gh}\}$  and the other one in  $\{U_n^g\}$ . We can calculate that there are 56 members UMEB. In the end, we verify the conclusion of the literature [4] with the structure of UMEB in  $C^8 \otimes C^8$ .

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