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Homework 7, solutions

problem 1.

To show $G^\dagger G = I$ we need to show that

$$\langle \Phi | G^\dagger G | \Phi \rangle = 1 \quad \forall |\Phi\rangle : \text{state of system and probe}$$

Suppose $|\Phi\rangle = \iint \varphi_{xy} |x\rangle |y\rangle dx dy$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \Phi | G^\dagger G | \Phi \rangle = \iiint \varphi_{x'y'}^* \varphi_{xy} \langle x' | \langle y' | G^\dagger G | x \rangle | y \rangle dx dy dx' dy'$$

$$= \iiint \varphi_{x'y'}^* \varphi_{xy} \langle x' | x \rangle \langle x' + y' | x + y \rangle dx dy dx' dy'$$

$$= \iint |\varphi_{xy}|^2 dx dy = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

(Normalization property of $|\Phi\rangle$)

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problem 2.

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system-probe state before measurement

$$G|x\rangle|0\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\Delta^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\xi^2}{2\Delta^2}\right) \right]^{1/2} G|x\rangle|\xi\rangle$$
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\Delta^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\xi^2}{2\Delta^2}\right) \right]^{1/2} |x\rangle|x+\xi\rangle$$

The measurement operator M_p by definition is

$$M_p |x\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \langle p | G |x\rangle |0\rangle, \quad N: \text{normalizer}$$

$$\langle p | G |x\rangle |0\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\Delta^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\xi^2}{2\Delta^2}\right) \right]^{1/2} |x\rangle \langle p | x+\xi\rangle$$

\downarrow
 $e^{-ip(\xi+x)}$

$$= \left(\frac{2\Delta^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \exp(p^2\Delta^2) \exp(-ipx) |x\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow M_p = \left(\frac{2\Delta^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \exp(p^2\Delta^2) \exp(-ipX)$$