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Does three-tangle properly quantify the three-party entanglement for Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger-type states?

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Some mixed states composed of only GHZ states can be expressed in terms of only W-states. This fact implies that such states have vanishing three-tangle. One of such rank-3 states, Φ_{GHZ} , is explicitly presented in this paper. These results are used to compute analytically the three-tangle of a rank-4 mixed state σ composed of four GHZ states. This analysis with considering Bloch sphere S^{16} of d=4 qudit system allows us to derive the hyper-polyhedron. It is shown that the states in this hyper-polyhedron have vanishing three-tangle. Computing the one-tangles for Φ_{16} and σ , we prove the monogamy inequality explicitly. Making use of the fact that the three-tangle of Φ_{16} is zero, we try to explain why the W-class in the whole mixed states is not of measure zero contrary to the case of pure states.

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