

PHYC90045 Introduction to Quantum Computing

Week 3

Lecture 5
Universality in quantum computing, Reversible computation, one qubit adder, the Deutsch-Josza algorithm

Lecture 6
Two basic quantum algorithms: Bernstein-Vazirani and Simon's Algorithms

Lab 3
Logical statements, Reversible logic, Adder, Deutsch-Josza algorithm

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Overview

In this lecture we will discuss reversible logic and our first quantum algorithm – the Deutsch-Josza algorithm,

1. Reversible (classical) logic
2. The Deutsch-Josza algorithm
3. Aside: Universality in quantum computing

Along the way we will encounter common patterns often turn up in quantum algorithms, and will highlight them because they will help make sense of what of future quantum circuits.

See:


Kaye, 1.5, 6.1-6.4
Nielsen and Chuang, 1.4, 3.1
Reiffel, 6, 7.3-7.5

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Universality in classical logic

A set of (classical) gates is said to be *functionally complete* (or “universal”) if every possible truth table (ie. Boolean function) can be expressed using members of the set.


For example, in classical logic: {AND, OR, NOT} is functionally complete.



AND



OR




NOT

Every logical circuit can be made from combinations of these gates. In fact, the NAND gate alone is universal. However, we cannot implement these gates directly in a quantum computer. AND/OR are **not reversible**.

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Irreversible Functions

We cannot implement AND or OR because these functions are irreversible.



A	B	A B
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

We cannot determine the inputs from the output.

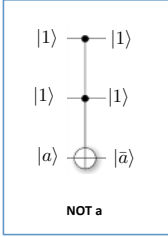
Irreversible functions are *not unitary*.

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Reversible Logic

Classically, if we would like to calculate some Boolean function, f , we can construct a circuit out of AND, OR and NOT gates. However, AND and OR gates are **not reversible**, and so can't be implemented in a quantum computer.

But by use of reversible circuits and additional bits/qubits, we can express everything in terms of reversible gates (such as Toffoli):

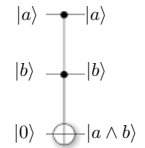


NOT a

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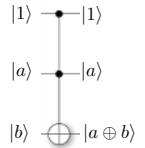
Reversible Logic and the Toffoli Gate

a AND b



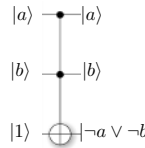
a	b	a AND b
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

a XOR b



a	b	a XOR b
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

(NOT a) OR (NOT b)



a	b	(NOT a) OR (NOT b)
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

The Toffoli gate is **universal and reversible**. In principle every classical boolean function can be written in terms of reversible gates (such as Toffoli) which can be implemented on a quantum computer.

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One Bit Adder

We can, for example, implement a one bit adder using only reversible gates:

We will now explain this circuit and in the lab we will extend this to a two bit adder.

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1+1 Quantum Style

Here is what happens when we add together numbers in superposition:

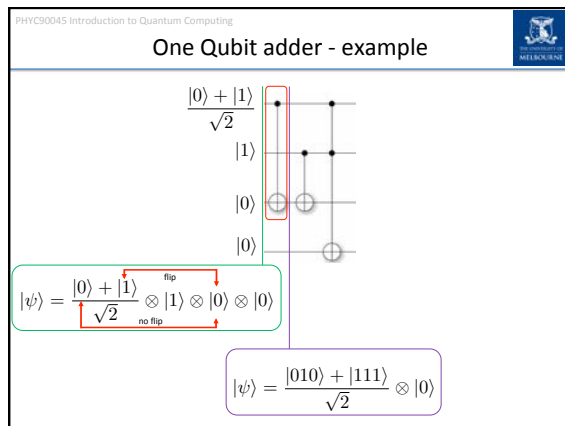
$$\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad "+" \quad |1\rangle$$

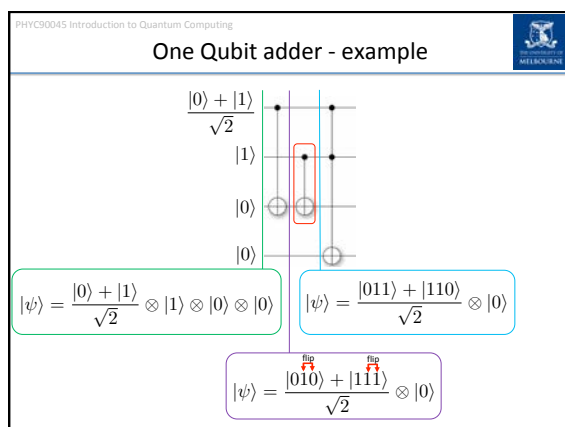
Let's do the walkthrough...

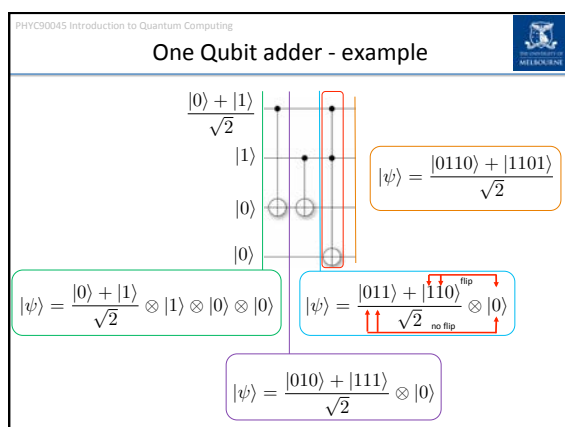
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One Qubit adder - example

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







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One Qubit adder - example

Or, considering the last two registers as a two-qubit binary register (msb last):

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|01\bar{1}0\rangle + |11\bar{1}0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle|1\rangle|1\rangle + |1\rangle|1\rangle|2\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

0+1=1 1+1=2

Note: this is an entangled state.

1 = 10
2 = 01

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Implementing irreversible functions

We cannot compute **irreversible** functions directly (not unitary). One strategy which you often see to make an irreversible function reversible is simply to propagate the input to the output:

Propagate inputs to output

Calculated $f(x)$

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One Bit Adder

The adder is an example. Given $a + b$, we can't uniquely determine a and b . So we used this trick:

Propagated inputs to output

Evaluated function

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Implementing irreversible functions

One strategy which you often see to make an irreversible function reversible is simply to propagate the inputs:

Must deal with all possible inputs, not just 0.

Add (bit-by-bit modulo 2) input and calculated $f(x)$

You will see this pattern in several of the quantum algorithms we will study.

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One Bit Adder

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Copy the inputs to output

Evaluate function

In the lab we will extend this to a two bit adder.

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Deutsch-Josza algorithm

- Given a boolean function, f , determine if:
 - f is constant (always gives the same result), or
 - f is balanced (gives equal numbers of 0s and 1s)
- Classical algorithm** (worst case) needs $2^n/2+1$ queries
- Quantum algorithm** needs just 1 query.

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Deutsch-Josza algorithm (2)

Let's take the example with just one bit/qubit input. There are 4 choices of function:

CONSTANT	$f_0(0) = 0$
	$f_0(1) = 0$
BALANCED	$f_1(0) = 1$
	$f_1(1) = 1$

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Example of a constant function

The circuit always flips (ie. NOT) the second qubit, regardless of the input. This function is **constant**, since the output is always 1.

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Deutsch algorithm: constant function

The function, U , is implemented by the gates inside this box

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

$|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

$|\psi\rangle = H|0\rangle \otimes H|1\rangle$
 $= \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$
 $= |+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

$|\psi\rangle = |+\rangle \otimes X|-\rangle$
 $= \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes X \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$
 $= \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes \frac{|1\rangle - |0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$
 $= -|+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$

Global phase is unmeasurable

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

$$|\psi\rangle = -H|+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$$

$$= -|0\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$$

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

$$|\psi\rangle = -|0\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= -|0\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$$

We will measure "0" with 100% probability. This indicates (with a single evaluation of the function) that the function is **constant**.

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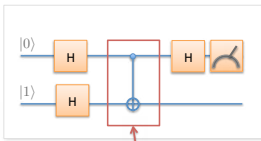
Example of a balanced function

$$\begin{cases} f(0) = 0 \\ f(1) = 1 \end{cases}$$

The circuit only flips (ie. NOT) the second qubit, if the input is a 1. This function is **balanced**, since the output has equal numbers of 0 and 1 output.

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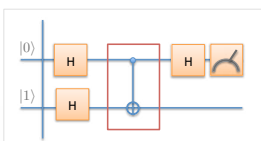
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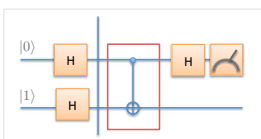
Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough



$$|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$$

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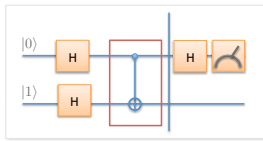
Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough



$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle &= H|0\rangle \otimes H|1\rangle \\ &= \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= |+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough




$$|\psi\rangle = CNOT|+\rangle|-\rangle$$

This is a common pattern called "phase kickback"

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Phase kickback

Consider X applied to the output register:



$$\begin{aligned} X|-\rangle &= X \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{|1\rangle - |0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= -|-\rangle \end{aligned}$$

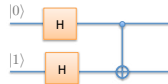
If we were to apply an X gate to the target qubit we get a *global phase change*.
Otherwise the state is unchanged.

What would happen when apply a *control-X* gate?

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Phase kickback

Now with a control-X gate:



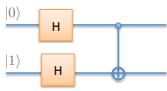
$$CNOT|+\rangle|-\rangle = CNOT \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|1\rangle - |0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$CNOT|+\rangle|-\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle|-\rangle - |1\rangle|-\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

If we were to apply a control-X gate then any control states which apply the X-gate receive a phase change. The "1" state receives the (relative) phase change in this case.

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Phase kickback



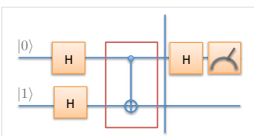
$$\begin{aligned}
 CNOT|+\rangle|-\rangle &= \frac{|0\rangle|-\rangle - |1\rangle|-\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}|-\rangle \\
 &= |-\rangle|-\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

This causes the **phase** to be applied to the **control qubit**. This is known as **phase kickback**.

The state of the target qubit remains unchanged.

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough




$$|\psi\rangle = CNOT|+\rangle|-\rangle = |-\rangle|-\rangle$$

Phase kickback changes the state of the **control** qubit.

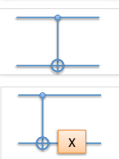
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Phase kickback for balanced functions

Constant functions



Balanced functions



The control qubit is unchanged by the **constant** functions.

The same phase kickback pattern that we just saw applies to both **balanced** functions

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

$$|\psi\rangle = H|-\rangle \otimes |-\rangle = |1\rangle \otimes |-\rangle$$

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Deutsch algorithm: walkthrough

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We will measure “1” with 100% probability. This indicates (with a single evaluation of the function) that the function is **balanced**.

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Deutsch-Josza (3)

		Measured
CONSTANT	$f_1(0) = 0$	0
	$f_1(1) = 0$	
	$f_2(0) = 1$	0
	$f_2(1) = 1$	
BALANCED	$f_3(0) = 0$	1
	$f_3(1) = 1$	
	$f_4(0) = 1$	1
	$f_4(1) = 0$	

The Deutsch-Josza algorithm determines in just *one query* whether the function is constant or balanced.

Classically, this would require *two queries*.

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Multiple qubits: Deutsch-Josza

This means that there are multiple qubits in the register

There are multiple Hadamard gates here

Only a single qubit here

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Example of multi-qubit constant function

x	f(x)
000	1
001	1
010	1
011	1
100	1
101	1
110	1
111	1

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Example of multi-qubit balanced function

x	f(x)
000	0
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011	0
100	1
101	0
110	1
111	0

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Multiple qubits: Deutsch-Josza

Let's walkthrough this circuit...

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Recap: binary and decimal representations

n qubits

shorthand notation

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \dots \otimes \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right]^n (|00\dots 0\rangle + \dots + |11\dots 1\rangle)$$

i.e. even superposition over binary rep of integers: $i = 0$ to $2^n - 1$

In general we use two representations in the QUI ($N = 2^n$):

"binary"

$$|\psi\rangle = a_{0\dots 00} |0\dots 00\rangle + a_{0\dots 01} |0\dots 01\rangle + a_{0\dots 10} |0\dots 10\rangle + \dots + a_{1\dots 11} |1\dots 11\rangle$$

"decimal"

$$|\psi\rangle = a_0 |0\rangle + a_1 |1\rangle + a_2 |2\rangle + \dots + a_{N-1} |N-1\rangle$$

e.g. $a_{101} |101\rangle$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{\phi} a_{\phi} |\phi\rangle$$

$$a_{\phi} = |a_{\phi}| e^{i\theta_{\phi}}$$

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After the initial Hadamard gates, the state is (n qubits, $N = 2^n$):

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_x |x\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Equal (even) superposition of states

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General Function Phase Kickback

Using phase kickback, after the function has been applied:

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_x (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

If the function evaluates to "1" then the target qubit is flipped, and we pick up a phase. Otherwise, there is no phase applied. This is a simple way to write that.

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Hadamard applied to a general state

Amplitude a_z \rightarrow how many times does the binary representation of z and x have 1's in the same location?

$$H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} a_z |z\rangle \quad x_0 z_0 + x_1 z_1 + x_2 z_2 + \dots + x_n z_n$$

Shorthand for the bitwise dot product is: $x \cdot z = \sum_{j=0}^n x_j z_j$

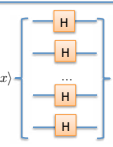
When 1's in the same location, we get a sign change $\rightarrow (-1)^{x \cdot z}$

Hadamards applied to a general state (n qubits, $N = 2^n$):

$$H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

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e.g. Hadamard applied to a general state



$$H^{\otimes 3} |000\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$H^{\otimes 3} |000\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^3}} (|000\rangle + |001\rangle + \dots + |111\rangle)$$

bitwise: $x \cdot z = 0$

$$H^{\otimes 3} |x=0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^3}} \sum_{z=0}^{2^3-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

$$H^{\otimes 3} |100\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^3}} \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$H^{\otimes 3} |100\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^3}} (|000\rangle + |010\rangle + |001\rangle + |011\rangle - |100\rangle - |110\rangle - |101\rangle - |111\rangle)$$

$x \cdot z = 0$ $x \cdot z = 1$

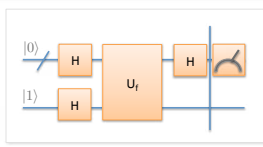
$$H^{\otimes 3} |x=4\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^3}} \sum_{z=0}^{2^3-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

$$H^{\otimes 3} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^3}} \sum_{z=0}^{2^3-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

General for $n=3$

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$$H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

And after the final Hadamard gates:

$$|\psi\rangle = H^{\otimes n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{f(x)} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

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Constant function

For a constant function ($f(x) = 0$ for all x , or $f(x) = 1$ for all x):

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{f(x)} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{f(0)}}{N} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} |z\rangle$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{f(0)}}{N} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} \left(\sum_{x=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} \right) |z\rangle$$

$$= (-1)^{f(0)} |z=0\rangle$$

So for a constant function "0" will always be measured (global phase is unimportant).

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Balanced Function

$$|\psi\rangle = H^{\otimes n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle$$

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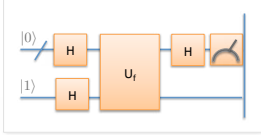
For a balanced function (equal number of $f(x) = 0$ and $f(x) = 1$):

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{z=0}^{N-1} \left(\sum_{x, f(x)=0} (-1)^{x \cdot z} - \sum_{x, f(x)=1} (-1)^{x \cdot z} \right) |z\rangle$$

Which has zero amplitude for the $|z = 0\rangle$ state, and non-zero for other states.

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Deutsch-Josza Walkthrough



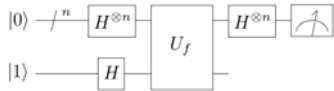
If 0 is measured, then the function is constant.
If any other value is measured, then the function is balanced.

The Deutsch-Josza algorithm evaluates if a function is constant or balanced with a single query. Classically we would require $O(2^n)$ queries.

Of course, there are classical probabilistic algorithms with establish with high probability in few queries, but only with high probability of success not with certainly.

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Deutsch-Josza algorithm




- Given a Boolean function, f , determine if:
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 - f is balanced (gives equal numbers of 0s and 1s)
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- Quantum algorithm** needs just 1 query.

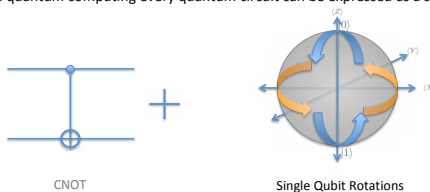
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Aside: Universality in Quantum Computing

In classical computing the NAND gate is universal: every Boolean function can be implemented as a sequence of NAND (NOT AND) gates



In quantum computing every quantum circuit can be expressed as a sequence of:




CNOT Single Qubit Rotations

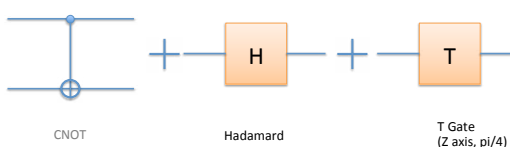
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Aside: Universality in Quantum Computing

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In quantum computing every quantum circuit can be approximated as a sequence of:



CNOT Hadamard T Gate (Z axis, $\pi/4$)

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Aside: Outline of Universal Gate Set Proof


(1) The following sequence of gates creates an irrational fraction of 2π angle rotation gate: $THTH$

Specifically, you can show by direct multiplication that it is a rotation around

$$\vec{n} = \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{8}, \sin \frac{\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{\pi}{8} \right)$$

By an angle defined by: $\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{8}$

(2) You can use this to approximate (within some error, δ) **every rotation around n**. This takes $\sim 2\pi/\delta$ applications of THTH.



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Aside: Outline of Universal Gate Set Proof

(3) The following sequence of gates creates an irrational fraction of 2π

$$HTHT$$

Around a different axis:

$$\vec{m} = \left(\cos \frac{\pi}{8}, -\sin \frac{\pi}{8}, \cos \frac{\pi}{8} \right)$$

By an angle defined by: $\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{8}$

(4) You can use this to approximate (within some error, ϵ) **every rotation around \vec{m}** . This takes $\sim 2\pi/\epsilon$ applications of HTHT.

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Aside: Outline of Universal Gate Set Proof

(5) These gates can (approximately) implement any rotation around two different axes, you can use this to approximate any single qubit rotation.

(6) Single qubit rotations plus the CNOT gate is universal

(7) Therefore $\{H, T, \text{CNOT}\}$ is universal.

Full proof (carefully keeping track of approximations) is found in Nielsen and Chuang 4.5.3

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Week 3

Lecture 5
Universality in quantum computing, Reversible computation, one qubit adder, the Deutsch-Josza algorithm

Lecture 6
Two basic quantum algorithms: Bernstein-Vazirani and Simon's Algorithms

Lab 3
Logical statements, Reversible logic, Adder, Deutsch-Josza algorithm
