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3.1 Two qubit systems and operations

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Lecture overview

In this lecture:

3.1 Two qubit systems and operations

- Mulitple qubits and binary numbers
- Linear algebra of two-qubit systems
- Two-qubit logic gates
- Universality

3.2 Entanglement

- Separable states
- Entangled states
- Entropy of entanglement
- Entanglement in the QUI

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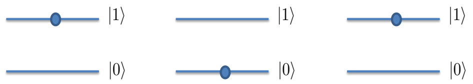
Recap: qubits and binary numbers

Computers represent digits as binary numbers. Similarly, we can think as the state of several qubits as a binary digits.

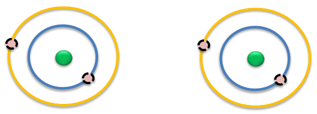


For example, the number 5 can be represented in binary as *101*, and this can be encoded directly in the state of three individual atoms.

This lecture we will talk about multi-qubit systems (i.e. 2-qubit systems).

Two qubits: tensor product

Two atoms, each with one electron in a superposition of the bit states:



$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ $\quad$ $|\phi\rangle = c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle$

Then the joint state of both atoms is:

$$\boxed{|\psi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle}$$

Tensor product!

Tensor product

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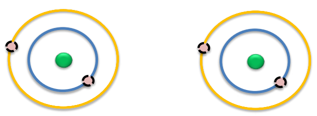


$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ $\quad$ $|\phi\rangle = c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle$

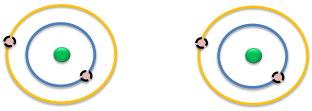
For these two atoms in the states indicated:

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle &= (a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle) \otimes (c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle) \\ &= ac\ |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + ad\ |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle + bc\ |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + bd\ |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ &= ac\ |00\rangle + ad\ |01\rangle + bc\ |10\rangle + bd\ |11\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Tensor product of vectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ac \\ ad \\ bc \\ bd \end{bmatrix}$$

00 amplitude
01 amplitude
10 amplitude
11 amplitude



$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ $|\phi\rangle = c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle$

Tensor product of operators

Similarly, we can define a Kronecker tensor product of qubit operators:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} m & n \\ p & q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} am & an & bm & bn \\ ap & aq & bp & bq \\ cm & cn & dm & dn \\ cp & cq & dp & dq \end{bmatrix}$$

Single qubit gates on multi-qubit systems

We can apply single-qubit operators to multi-qubit systems:

$(X \otimes I)\,|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \rightarrow X_1\,|00\rangle = |10\rangle$

$(I \otimes X)\,|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \rightarrow X_2\,|00\rangle = |01\rangle$

Simplest way to think of it: the subscript represents which qubit the operation is applied to.

To work out the operator we are applying in matrix representation, we use the Kronecker (tensor) product with the identity:

$$X \otimes I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Identity is applied to second qubit where there's no operation

Two-qubit projective measurement

Examples of two-qubit projectors. Eg. For measuring the first qubit in the computational basis:

$$P_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0| \otimes I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_1 = |1\rangle\langle 1| \otimes I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Two-qubit measurement & collapse

Measurement on a two-qubit state:

(1) Apply projector into the measured state
(2) Renormalize the state

$$|\psi'\rangle = \frac{P_m|\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{p(m)}}$$

For example, consider the general two-qubit state:

$$|\psi\rangle = a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle + c|10\rangle + d|11\rangle$$

If the first qubit were measured to be "0", apply P_0 and renormalize to get the collapsed state:

$$|\psi'\rangle = \frac{a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle}{\sqrt{|a|^2+|b|^2}}$$

normalization

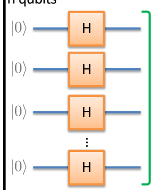
If the first qubit were measured to be "1", apply P_1 and renormalize to get the collapsed state:

$$|\psi'\rangle = \frac{c|10\rangle + d|11\rangle}{\sqrt{|c|^2+|d|^2}}$$

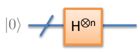
Later (and Lab-2): this generalizes to measurements on multi-qubit states.

Multi-qubit states: binary and decimal

n qubits



shorthand notation



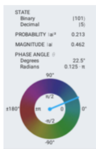
$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle+|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes \frac{|0\rangle+|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \ldots \otimes \frac{|0\rangle+|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right]^n (|00\ldots0\rangle + \ldots + |11\ldots1\rangle)$$

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

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

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



"binary"

$$|\psi\rangle = a_{0\ldots00}|0\ldots00\rangle + a_{0\ldots01}|0\ldots01\rangle + a_{0\ldots10}|0\ldots10\rangle + \ldots + a_{1\ldots1}|1\ldots1\rangle$$

"decimal"

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

$$\boxed{|\psi\rangle = \sum_i a_i|i\rangle \quad a_i = |a_i|e^{i\theta_i}}$$

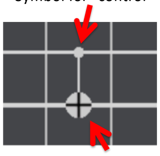
Two qubit logic gates: CNOT

Two qubit gates can be constructed using an interaction between the two systems. Most important is the Controlled-NOT (CNOT) gate.

Symbol for "control"

Control qubit

Target qubit



Symbol for binary addition (flip)

How states transform: CNOT truth table

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle$$
$$|01\rangle \rightarrow |01\rangle$$
$$|10\rangle \rightarrow |11\rangle$$
$$|11\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle$$

Rule: The target is flipped iff the control qubit is "1".

As a matrix:

$$CNOT = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle + \boxed{c|10\rangle + d|11\rangle}$$
$$\rightarrow a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle \boxed{+ d|10\rangle + c|11\rangle}$$

Example: CNOT on superposition

$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

$|0\rangle$

$|\psi\rangle$ $|\psi'\rangle$

Before the CNOT, the state is:

$$|\psi\rangle = (\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle = \alpha|00\rangle + \beta|10\rangle$$

After the CNOT, the state is:

$$|\psi'\rangle = \alpha|00\rangle + \beta|11\rangle$$

Control Phase Gate

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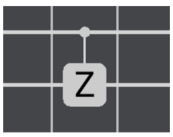
Target qubit



How states transform:

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle$$
$$|01\rangle \rightarrow |01\rangle$$
$$|10\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle$$
$$|11\rangle \rightarrow -|11\rangle$$

$$a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle + c|10\rangle \boxed{+ d|11\rangle}$$
$$\rightarrow a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle + c|10\rangle \boxed{- d|11\rangle}$$

Rule: the **phase** of the target flipped iff the control qubit is "1".

As a matrix:

$$CZ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fun fact: CZ is diagonal so it doesn't matter which one you think of as control/target.

SWAP gate

A SWAP operation can be implemented using an interaction between the two qubits – the states of the two qubits are swapped (not the physical qubits).

Qubit 1

Qubit 2

How states transform:

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle$$
$$|01\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle$$
$$|10\rangle \rightarrow |01\rangle$$
$$|11\rangle \rightarrow |11\rangle$$

$$a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle + c|10\rangle + d|11\rangle$$
$$\rightarrow a|00\rangle + c|01\rangle + b|10\rangle + d|11\rangle$$

Rule: the two qubits are swapped.

As a matrix:

$$SWAP = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

NB. Unlike CNOT, SWAP gates do not generate entanglement (but sqrt SWAP does!) .

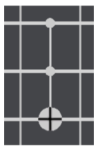
Toffoli gate

Double control-NOT:

Control qubit

Control qubit

Target qubit



How states transform:

$$|000\rangle \rightarrow |000\rangle$$
$$|001\rangle \rightarrow |001\rangle$$
$$|010\rangle \rightarrow |010\rangle$$
$$|011\rangle \rightarrow |011\rangle$$
$$|100\rangle \rightarrow |100\rangle$$
$$|101\rangle \rightarrow |101\rangle$$
$$|110\rangle \rightarrow |111\rangle$$
$$|111\rangle \rightarrow |110\rangle$$

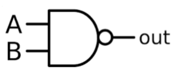
Rule: the target is flipped iff **both** the control qubits are in "1" state.

$$a|000\rangle + b|001\rangle + c|010\rangle + d|011\rangle$$
$$e|100\rangle + f|101\rangle + \boxed{g|110\rangle + h|111\rangle}$$
$$\rightarrow a|000\rangle + b|001\rangle + c|010\rangle + d|011\rangle$$
$$e|100\rangle + f|101\rangle + \boxed{h|110\rangle + g|111\rangle}$$

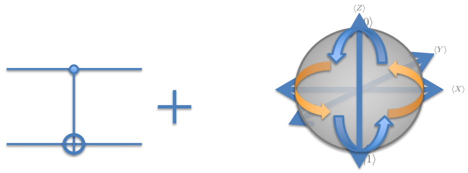
Toffoli gate plus NOT is universal for classical computation. It was used in the proof that classical computation can be made reversible!

Universality

In classical computing the NAND gate is universal, i.e. 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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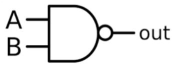

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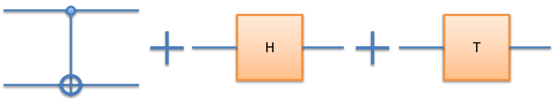

CNOT + Hadamard + T Gate (Z-axis, pi/4)

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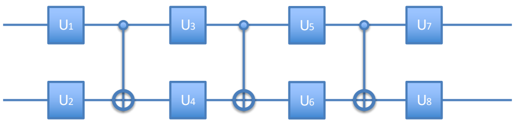
Construction for *any* two qubit unitary

Any two qubit gate can be decomposed into just 3 CNOTs and single qubit rotations:



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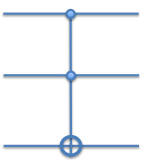
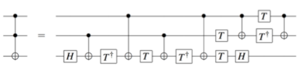
Example

How can you decompose Toffoli as CNOTs and single qubit rotations?





3.2 Entanglement

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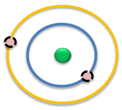
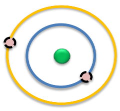
Separable states



$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$



$|\phi\rangle = c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle$

A separable state is one which can be written as

$$|\Phi\rangle = |\psi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle$$

All separable states (of two qubits) can be written as:

$$|\psi\rangle = ac\,|00\rangle + ad\,|01\rangle + bc\,|10\rangle + bd\,|11\rangle$$

Examples of separable states

Consider the state: $$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

It is *separable* because: $$|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

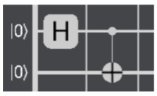
Consider the state: $$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle}{2}$$

It is also *separable* because: $$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Constructing a Bell state

This is one of four states named after the physicist John Bell (who figured out how to experimentally explore reality of entanglement).

Consider the following circuit in the QUI:



Execution: $|00\rangle \underset{\text{H}}{\rightarrow} \frac{|00\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \underset{\text{CNOT}}{\rightarrow} \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

Question: Is $\frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ separable?

Entanglement

Answer: No! We can never find a, b, c, d, i.e.

$$\frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \neq (a\,|0\rangle + b\,|1\rangle) \otimes (c\,|0\rangle + d\,|1\rangle)$$

A state which is not separable is called an **entangled** state.

Entanglement is a uniquely quantum mechanical property, with no direct classical analogue.

Entanglement Measure

We would like to have a measure of *how much* entanglement a state has. Some states are more entangled than others:

$\lvert 00\rangle$	Not entangled, separable
$\sqrt{0.99}\,\lvert 00\rangle + \sqrt{0.01}\,\lvert 11\rangle$	Entangled, but close to a separable state
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\lvert 00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\lvert 11\rangle$	Maximally entangled

Entanglement is a type of correlation between two systems, say A and B.

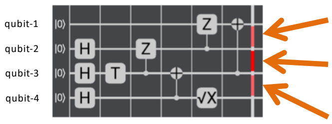
To see how much correlation there is between A and B: We will measure B and ask how many bits of information (as measured by entropy) this can tell us about the state of A?

In the QUI we measure the degree of entanglement using an informatic "entropy" measure: *Entanglement Entropy (EE)*

Entanglement in the QUI – time slider

The *time slider* is the vertical bar which moves left and right to show the quantum state at each time step. When there is entanglement it will show it.

The entanglement entropy (EE) is shown in a red colour scale between min and max values possible. Each segment corresponds to the entropy between the system of qubits above and below for that particular bi-partition.



Entanglement entropy between qubit 1 and qubits {2 & 3 & 4} partition

Entanglement entropy between qubits {1 &2} and qubits {3 & 4} partitions

Entanglement entropy between qubit 4 and qubits {1 & 2 & 3} partition

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Aside: how we determine entanglement entropy

How much entanglement is present in a general state?

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

Can be hard to tell. It's not in anything like product form. For that we will use SVD. Arrange as a matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

Taking Singular Value Decomposition (SVD):

$$A = \sum \lambda_i |u_i\rangle \langle v_i|$$

Allows us to express the state in this convenient form:

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum \lambda_i |u_i\rangle |v_i\rangle$$

This form is known as the "Schmidt Decomposition"

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Aside: how we determine entanglement entropy

Schmidt Decomposition:

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum \lambda_i |u_i\rangle |v_i\rangle$$

Several terms might have a singular value of 0. The number of non-zero terms is called the **Schmidt rank**.

If a state has a Schmidt rank of 1:

$$|\psi\rangle = |u_0\rangle \otimes |v_0\rangle$$

Then the state is separable, and not entangled.

If a state has a Schmidt rank greater than 1, then the state is entangled. Schmidt rank is a very coarse measure of entanglement. We would like a finer measure.

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Aside: how we determine entanglement entropy

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum \lambda_i |u_i\rangle |v_i\rangle$$

A more fine-grained measure of entanglement is the **entanglement entropy**. Form a probability distribution:

$$p_i = \lambda_i^2$$

From which you can calculate the entanglement entropy:

$$S = -\sum_i p_i \log p_i$$

This is a measure of entanglement. The higher the entanglement entropy, the more entanglement.

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For example, taking the Bell state (first qubit is A (Alice's), second qubit is B (Bob's):

$$\frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Recall: Bob knows from his measurement what Alice's outcome will be.

Entropy of entanglement: state is already in Schmidt Decomposition form, so we read off the probabilities:

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum \lambda_i |u_i\rangle |v_i\rangle \qquad p_i = \lambda_i^2$$

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Aside: Entropy of Entanglement

Bob knows some bits of information about Alice's state. How much? That's measured by the *entropy*.

Entanglement entropy is given by:

$$S = -\sum_i p_i \log p_i$$

where p_i is the probability of measuring ith state of Alice's qubit.

For this case of a Bell state, from Schmidt form we have p_0=50%, p_1=50%,

$$S = -\frac{1}{2}\log\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\log\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

Here, and throughout this subject, logarithms are taken base 2 (unless otherwise stated).

Therefore, a Bell State has 1 bit of entanglement (max possible).

Aside: Entropy measure of a separable state

For the separable state: $|00\rangle$

We measure the state of the second (Bob's) qubit. 100% of the time, the first qubit (Alice's) collapses to the state $|0\rangle$

Schmidt form -> the entropy of entanglement is therefore:

$$S = -1 \times \log 1 = 0$$

All separable states have an entropy of entanglement of 0.

For the state: $\sqrt{0.99}\,|00\rangle + \sqrt{0.01}\,|11\rangle$

Schmidt form -> the entropy of entanglement is therefore: $\rightarrow S = 0.0808$

Entanglement Entropy generalizes between two subsystems of qubits A and B, and is how the measure of entanglement is calculated in the QUI.