

Problem 1

Imagine that a new theory appears that extends Quantum Mechanics. According to this new theory (named Beyond Quantum Theory, or BQT) one can build a computing device that extends the Circuit Model of Quantum computation. Let BQTP the class of "easy" problems for this computation model. Assuming that one can prove $BQTP = P$, what can we say about the relation between BQP (the class of "easy" problems for a Quantum computer) and P ? And what if we prove that $BQTP \neq P$?

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BQTP \neq P

Problem 2

For the Deutsch algorithm, show that after the evaluation of the oracle for a binary input x , the resulting state can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} U_f : |x\rangle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) &\rightarrow |x\rangle(|f(x)\rangle - |1 \oplus f(x)\rangle) \\ &= |x\rangle(-1)^{f(x)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle), \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3

In the graphical representation of the search (Grover) algorithm with a single solution, one can show that the state is a rotation on the plane defined by $|\alpha\rangle$ and $|\beta\rangle$, where

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-1}} \sum_{x \neq \text{Solution}} |x\rangle \\ |\beta\rangle &= |\text{solution}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

The Grover Operator is $G = (2|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| - I)O$, with $|\Psi\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} |\alpha\rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} |\beta\rangle$, and $O(a|\alpha\rangle + b|\beta\rangle) = a|\alpha\rangle - b|\beta\rangle$. Show that after one iteration of the algorithm:

$$G|\Psi\rangle = \cos \frac{3\theta}{2} |\alpha\rangle + \sin \frac{3\theta}{2} |\beta\rangle$$

(Hint: Use $\sin 3A = 3 \sin A - 4 \sin^3 A$, and $\cos 3A = 4 \cos^3 A - 3 \cos A$)

Problem 4

The order finding routine of Shor's algorithm for factoring uses the operator

$$U_{x,N}|y\rangle = |xy \pmod{N}\rangle$$

The eigenstates of this operator are the states

$$|u_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \exp\left[\frac{-2\pi i s k}{r}\right] |x^k \pmod{N}\rangle$$

Show that:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} |u_s\rangle = |1\rangle$$

(Hint: Use $\sum_{s=0}^{r-1} \exp(-2\pi i s k / r) = r \delta_{k0}$)