

Quantum Information B Fall 2020 Solutions to Problem Set 1

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1 Answers

- Exercise 6.3 Nielsen and Chaung. Show that in the $|\alpha\rangle, |\beta\rangle$ basis we can write the Grover iteration as

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

The grover iteration is written as

$$H^{\otimes n} P H^{\otimes n} = 2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I$$

And the Oracle O

$$O = I - 2|\beta\rangle\langle\beta|$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} G &= O \cdot H^{\otimes n} P H^{\otimes n} \\ G &= (I - 2|\beta\rangle\langle\beta|)(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I) \\ &= 2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I - 4|\beta\rangle\langle\beta||\psi\rangle\langle\psi| + 2|\beta\rangle\langle\beta| \end{aligned}$$

We take the case where $M = 1$ so that

$$|\psi\rangle = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{N}}|\alpha\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}}|\beta\rangle$$

Using the fact that $I = |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| + |\beta\rangle\langle\beta|$

$$\begin{aligned} G &= 2\left[\frac{1}{N}|\beta\rangle\langle\beta| + \frac{\sqrt{N-1}}{N}(|\beta\rangle\langle\alpha| + |\alpha\rangle\langle\beta|) + \frac{N-1}{N}|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|\right] \\ &\quad - |\beta\rangle\langle\beta| - |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| - 4|\beta\rangle\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}}\right)\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}}\langle\beta| + \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{N}}\langle\alpha|\right) + 2|\beta\rangle\langle\beta| \\ G &= \left(1 - \frac{2}{N}\right)(|\beta\rangle\langle\beta| + |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|) + \frac{2\sqrt{N-1}}{N}(|\alpha\rangle\langle\beta| - |\beta\rangle\langle\alpha|) \end{aligned}$$

If we have $\cos(\theta) = (1 - \frac{2}{N})$ then $\sin(\theta) = \sqrt{1 - \cos(\theta)} = \frac{2\sqrt{N-1}}{N}$, then G is

$$G = \cos(\theta)(|\beta\rangle\langle\beta| + |\beta\rangle\langle\beta|) + \sin(\theta)(|\alpha\rangle\langle\beta| - |\beta\rangle\langle\alpha|)$$

And we have

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Exercise 6.5. Show that the augmented oracle O' may be constructed using one application of O and elementary quantum gates using the extra qubit $|q\rangle$. The augmented oracle only marks an item if it is a solution and the extra qubit is set to 0. Equation 6.1 from the book tells us that $|q\rangle$ is flipped if $f(x) = 1$ and unchanged otherwise. Much like in Fig 4.11 in the book where an X gate was used we can use the Pauli Z gate as we wanted to leave the qubit in state $|0\rangle$ unchanged and sign flip if the state is $|1\rangle$.

The application of the normal oracle is

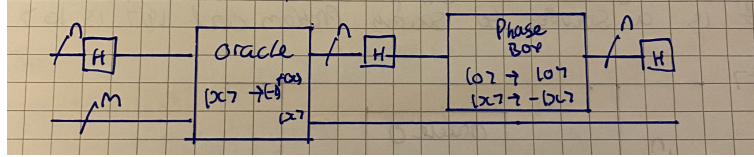


Figure 1: Circuit implementing the Oracle O

The circuit for the augmented oracle O' . $\frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ is the initial state. $\setminus n$ represents n wires.

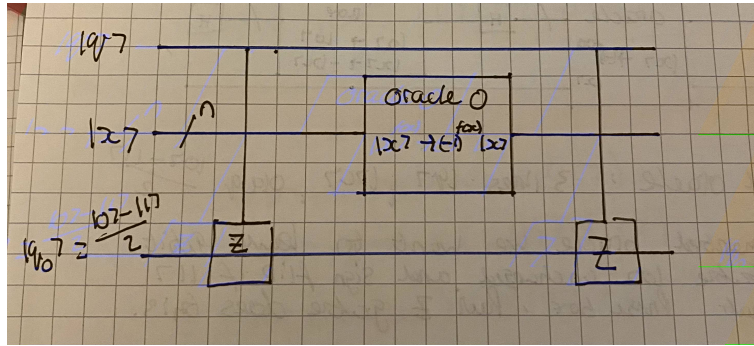


Figure 2: Circuit implementing the Augmented Oracle O'

3. Exercise 6.6. Verify that the gates in the dotted box in the second figure of box 6.1 perform the conditional phase shift operation $2|00\rangle\langle 00| - I$ up to an unimportant phase factor.

$$|x\rangle = |0\rangle^{\otimes n} |0\rangle^{\otimes n} \rightarrow a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$$

$$|y\rangle = |0\rangle^{\otimes n} |1\rangle \rightarrow c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle$$

The initial state is

$$|\psi_0\rangle = (|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle)(|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle)$$

$$= (a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle)(c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle)$$

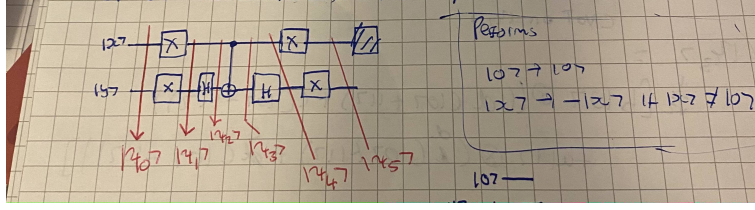


Figure 3: Circuit from dotted box in second figure of Box 6.1. The red lines are where we calculate the state

After the X gates

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_1\rangle &= X(a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle)X(c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle) \\ &= (b|0\rangle + a|1\rangle)(d|0\rangle + c|1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

After the H gate

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_2\rangle &= (b|0\rangle + a|1\rangle)H(d|0\rangle + c|1\rangle) \\ &= (b|0\rangle + a|1\rangle)\left(d\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + c\frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(b|0\rangle + a|1\rangle)(c(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) + d(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)) \end{aligned}$$

Apply the CNOT to $|\psi_2\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_3\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left[b|0\rangle \otimes (d(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) + c(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)) + a|1\rangle \otimes (d(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) + c(|0\rangle - |1\rangle))\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left[b|0\rangle((d+c)|0\rangle + (d-c)|1\rangle) + a|1\rangle((d+c)|0\rangle + (d-c)|1\rangle)\right] \end{aligned}$$

After the second H gate

$$|\psi_4\rangle = b|0\rangle(d|0\rangle + c|1\rangle) + a|1\rangle(d|0\rangle - c|1\rangle)$$

And the final state is

$$|\psi_5\rangle = a|0\rangle(-c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle) + b|1\rangle(c|0\rangle + d|1\rangle)$$

Expanding

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

For this to perform the quantum search we have $|x\rangle \rightarrow -|x\rangle$ or in this case $|00\rangle \rightarrow -|00\rangle$. So $|\psi_5\rangle$ can be written as

$$-2|00\rangle\langle 00| + I$$

Or

$$\begin{aligned} &-(2|00\rangle\langle 00| - I) \\ &= -(2|00\rangle - I)|xy\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Where $-$ is the unimportant phase factor.

4. Exericse 6.9. Verify

$$U(\Delta t) = \left(\cos^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \vec{\psi} \cdot \hat{z} \right) I \\ - 2i \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left(\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \frac{\vec{\psi} + \hat{z}}{2} + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \frac{\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}}{2} \right)$$

From the book we know that

$$U(\Delta t) \equiv \exp(-i|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\Delta t) \exp(-i|x\rangle\langle x|\Delta t)$$

From Chapter 4 (eq 4.8) we know that

$$\exp(iAx) = \cos(x)I + i\sin(x)A$$

So we have

$$R_{\vec{\psi}} = \exp(-i|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|\Delta t) \\ = \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)I - i\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \\ R_{\hat{z}} = \exp(-i|x\rangle\langle x|\Delta t) \\ = \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - i\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\sigma})$$

And

$$U(\Delta t) = R_{\vec{\psi}}R_{\hat{z}} \\ U(\Delta t) = \left[\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - i\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \right] \cdot \left[\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - i\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \right] \\ = \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)I - \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \vec{\sigma})(\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \\ - i\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) - i\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \vec{\sigma})$$

Introducing an identity (From Ex 4.15)

$$(\vec{\psi} \cdot \vec{\sigma})(\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) = \hat{z} \cdot \vec{\psi}I + i(\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

Implementing and simplifying

$$R_{\vec{\psi}}R_{\hat{z}} = \\ \cos^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)I - \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left[\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\psi} + i(\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}) \cdot \vec{\sigma} \right] \dots \\ - i\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\hat{z} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) - i\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \vec{\sigma})$$

Take out i from the second part

$$= \cos^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \hat{z})I \dots$$

$$-i \left(\sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \hat{z} + \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \vec{\psi} + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) (\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}) \right) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

Take out $\sin(\frac{\Delta t}{2})$ from the second part

$$= \cos^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \hat{z})I \dots$$

$$-i \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left(\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \hat{z} + \cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \vec{\psi} + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) (\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}) \right) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

Take out a factor of 2

$$= \cos^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \hat{z})I \dots$$

$$-2i \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left(\frac{\cos(\frac{\Delta t}{2})}{2} \hat{z} + \frac{\cos(\frac{\Delta t}{2})}{2} \vec{\psi} + \frac{\sin(\frac{\Delta t}{2})}{2} (\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}) \right) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

Which collating terms gives us

$$= \cos^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) - \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)(\vec{\psi} \cdot \hat{z})I - 2i \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left(\cos\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left(\frac{\hat{z} + \vec{\psi}}{2} \right) + \sin\left(\frac{\Delta t}{2}\right) \left(\frac{\vec{\psi} \times \hat{z}}{2} \right) \right) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

And clearly this is equal to the equation in the book.

5. Problem 6.2 not attempted.