Question

Consider a quantum system made of one qubit. The system is in the initial state $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle$. The quantum gate Phase is applied on $|\psi\rangle$. Can you describe the action of this gate on the system? Can you give a graphical representation of the circuit? What is the final state of the system?

Answer 1

The Phase gate, also known as the S gate, is a single-qubit gate in quantum computing. It introduces a phase shift of $\pi/2$ (or 90 degrees) to the state of the qubit. In the computational basis, the Phase gate is represented by the following matrix:

Phase =
$$[[1, 0], [0, i]]$$

where 'i' represents the imaginary unit.

The graphical representation of the circuit for a Phase gate acting on a qubit in the state $|0\rangle$ would be:

After applying the Phase gate to the initial state $|0\rangle$, the final state of the system can be calculated by multiplying the state vector with the Phase gate matrix:

$$|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle$$

Applying Phase gate:

Therefore, the final state of the system after applying the Phase gate on $|0\rangle$ is $|1\rangle$.

Answer 2

The Phase gate is a single-qubit quantum gate that applies a phase shift of 180 degrees to the state |1| of the qubit, while leaving the state |0| unchanged. The gate is represented by the matrix:

Phase =
$$[1 \ 0]$$

Graphically, the Phase gate is represented as:

$$|\psi\rangle -- - |\psi\rangle$$

where the circle represents the Phase gate.

In this case, the system is in the state $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle$. Applying the Phase gate to the state $|0\rangle$ yields:

Phase(
$$|0\rangle$$
) = [1 0] [1]
[0 -1][0]
= [1]
[0]

So the final state of the system is $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle$, which is unchanged by the Phase gate. Therefore, the action of the Phase gate on the system is trivial in this case.

Answer 3

The quantum gate "Phase," denoted as S, is a single-qubit gate that introduces a phase shift of $\pi/2$ (90 degrees) to the state $|1\rangle$, while leaving the state $|0\rangle$ unchanged. Mathematically, the gate is represented as:

$$S = [[1, 0], [0, i]]$$

where "i" represents the imaginary unit.

To describe the action of the Phase gate on the initial state $|\psi\rangle=|0\rangle$, we apply the gate to the state as follows:

$$S|0\rangle = [[1,0],[0,i]]|0\rangle = [[1,0],[0,i]]|0\rangle = |0\rangle$$

Thus, the Phase gate has no effect on the initial state $|0\rangle$.

Now, let's represent the circuit diagram for this system:

$$|\psi\rangle$$
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In this circuit diagram, the initial state $|\psi\rangle$ is passed through the Phase gate S.

The final state of the system remains $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle$ since the Phase gate does not alter the state when applied to $|0\rangle$.