

Quantum Computing Lecture 5

Recap

Qubits $|0\rangle, |1\rangle, a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$

Measurement (collapse $|0\rangle$ or $|1\rangle$)

Multiple Qubit $|00\rangle + |01\rangle$

Entanglement

Product state

$$a|0_A 0_B\rangle + b|0_A 1_B\rangle + c|1_A 0_B\rangle + d|1_A 1_B\rangle$$

$$\frac{|0_A 0_B\rangle + |0_A 1_B\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = |0_A\rangle \left(\frac{|0_B\rangle + |1_B\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

An entangled state is anything that is not a product state

$$|0_A\rangle \left(\frac{|0_B\rangle + |1_B\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

Measure 1st qubit $|0\rangle$ 100% time

Measure 2nd qubit $|0\rangle$ 50% time

$|1\rangle$ 50% time

$$\frac{|0_A 0_B\rangle + |1_A 1_B\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{entangled}$$

Measure 1st qubit $|0\rangle$ 50% time
 $|1\rangle$ 50% time

$|0_A 0_B\rangle$ collapse $|0_B\rangle$ 100%

$|1_A 1_B\rangle$ so was $|1_B\rangle$ 100%

Alice Earth Bob Alpha Centauri

$$\frac{|0_A 0_B\rangle + |1_A 1_B\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Alice measures $\rightarrow |0_A 0_B\rangle$

Super dense coding

Alice and Bob meet up

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

Then they go separate ways each with one qubit

Alice wants to send a message to Bob

She wants to send 2 bit message: 00, 01, 10, 11

She can do this by sending Bob 1 qubit

What she wants to send to Bob Transposition

00 Doing nothing / I

01 Apply X gate to her qubit

10 Z gate

11 iY gate

Send her qubit to Bob

Bob receives the qubit

Bob has 2 qubit

Start a CNOT gate

Apply a H gate to Alice's qubit

Then when he measures both he'll get Alice's messages

Worked Example

Alice wants to send 01

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0_A 0_B\rangle + |1_A 1_B\rangle)$$

X gate / NOT gate $|0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$
 $|1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1_A 0_B\rangle + |0_A 1_B\rangle)$$

Sends to Bob

CNOT controlled NOT

If Alice's qubit is $|0\rangle$ do nothing
is $|1\rangle$ flip Bob's

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1_A 1_B\rangle + |0_A 1_B\rangle)$$

Apply Hadamard to first qubit

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

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\left(\frac{|0_A\rangle + |1_A\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) |1_B\rangle + \left(\frac{|0_A\rangle - |1_A\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) |1_B\rangle \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[|0_A 1_B\rangle - |1_A 1_B\rangle + |0_A 1_B\rangle + |1_A 1_B\rangle \right]$$

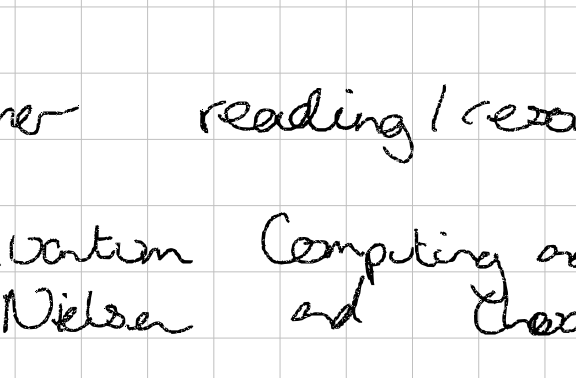
$$= \frac{2|0_A 1_B\rangle}{2} = |0_A 1_B\rangle$$

Bob measures 01 100%

Why does this work?

Orthonormal states can always be distinguished

In QM working in a vector space



2 states orthogonal always tell the difference

True in higher dimensions

2 qubits form a 4D vector space spanned by

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

$$B_1 \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, B_2 \frac{|01\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} B_3 \frac{|00\rangle - |11\rangle}{2} \\ B_4 \frac{|01\rangle - |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array} \right\} \text{Change of basis}$$

Any 2 qubit state in terms of

B_1, \dots, B_4

B_1

Act on the first qubit $B_1 \rightarrow B_1$

Send it to Bob $B_1 \rightarrow B_2$

Bob does some thing every time (change basis back)

Bob measures

No Cloning

One of the reasons QC is hard

If I give you a qubit in an arbitrary state e.g.

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

You can't copy it

Fault tolerant QC is really hard!

Shor's Algorithm

Factorise numbers efficiently

Any number can be written as a product of primes

For large numbers this is very hard

$$21 = 3 \times 7$$

Cryptography uses this fact

RSA uses this

Shor's algorithm does this efficiently

Further reading/resources

- Quantum Computing and Information by Nielsen and Chuang
- Quantum Computing by Mermin
- IBM Qiskit

Special Relativity

- Tells you can't send information faster than the speed of light

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

$|00\rangle$ or $|11\rangle$

$|00\rangle$ or $|11\rangle$

Alice

Bob

2 electrons $(\uparrow) \quad (\downarrow)$

$$\frac{|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Trapped ion quantum computer