

Week 4 : Theory Solutions

Solution 1 We know that the Hadamard Gate is the QFT for $N = 2$. Accordingly, the second root of unity is $\omega = \exp(\frac{2i\pi}{2}) = e^{i\pi} = -1$. For $N = 2$, we have two basis vectors $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$. Therefore for $|0\rangle$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |0\rangle &\xrightarrow{QFT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{y=0}^1 \omega_2^{-0y} |y\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{y=0}^1 |y\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

and for $|1\rangle$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |1\rangle &\xrightarrow{QFT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{y=0}^1 \omega_2^{-1y} |y\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1^{-1 \times 0} |0\rangle) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1^{-1 \times 1} |1\rangle) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

Hence the required Fourier basis states are $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$. These are sometimes known as the $|+\rangle$ and $|-\rangle$ states.

Solution 2 We have the two basic equations $A|\psi\rangle = \lambda|\psi\rangle$ and $AA^* = I$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} A|\psi\rangle &= \lambda|\psi\rangle \\ |\psi\rangle^* A^* &= \lambda^* |\psi\rangle^* \\ \implies |\psi\rangle^* A^* A |\psi\rangle &= \lambda^* |\psi\rangle^* \lambda |\psi\rangle \\ \implies |\psi\rangle^* I |\psi\rangle &= \lambda^* \lambda |\psi\rangle^* |\psi\rangle \\ \implies |\psi\rangle^* |\psi\rangle &= \lambda^* \lambda |\psi\rangle^* |\psi\rangle \\ \implies ||\psi\rangle|^2 &= |\lambda|^2 ||\psi\rangle|^2 \\ \implies |\lambda|^2 &= 1 \\ \implies |\lambda| &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Solution 3 We know that the MS qubit has the form

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot y_n} |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i y_n/2} |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + e^{\pi i y_n} |1\rangle)$$

Since $e^{\pi i} = -1$, depending on the value of y_n (bit can be 0 or 1) we have the phase of $|1\rangle$ as $+1$ or -1 . Hence we get a form of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$ or $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$. This is nothing but a Hadamard transformation.

Solution 4

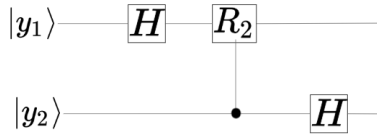


Figure 1: QFT circuit for 2 qubits

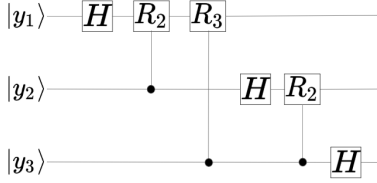


Figure 2: QFT circuit for 3 qubits

Solution 5 When $2^n \phi \neq a$, $\beta \neq 0$.

$$\Pr[a] = \frac{1}{N^2} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} e^{(2\pi i k \beta)} \right|^2$$

Now, using geometric series sum we get

$$= \frac{1}{N^2} \left| \frac{1 - e^{(2\pi i N \beta)}}{1 - e^{(2\pi i \beta)}} \right|^2$$

Now we use the observation that $|1 - e^{2ix}|^2 = 4|\sin x|^2$, and substitute this in our formula

to get

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{N^2} \left| \frac{\sin \pi N \beta}{\sin \pi \beta} \right|^2 \\
&\geq \frac{1}{N^2} \left| \frac{\sin \pi N \beta}{\pi \beta} \right|^2 \\
&\geq \frac{1}{N^2} \left| \frac{2N\beta}{\pi \beta} \right|^2 \\
&\geq \frac{4}{\pi^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Second step is because $|\sin x| \leq |x|$, $\forall |x| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi N}$. Third step is because $|\sin \pi N \beta| \geq |2N\beta|$, $\forall |\beta| \leq \frac{1}{2N}$.

Solution 6

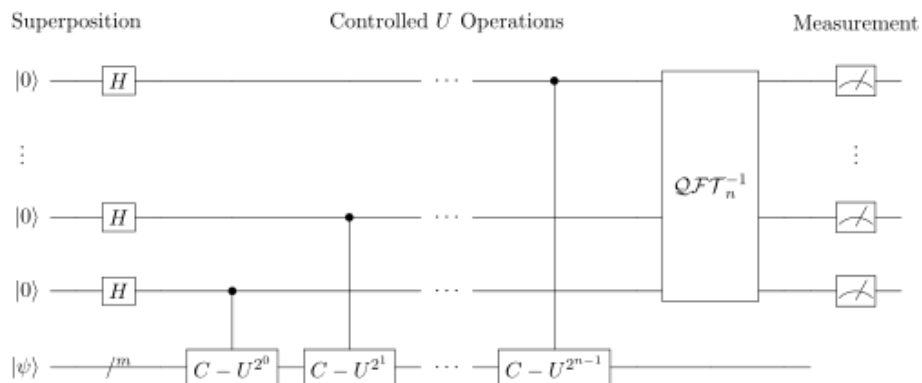


Figure 3: Circuit for Quantum Phase Estimation ¹

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