

Introduction to Quantum Computing – Linear Algebra Fundamentals - Homework 1 (25 points)

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1. Compute the tensor product of the zero and one basis vectors (5 points)

$$|0\rangle|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} (1)(0) \\ (1)(1) \\ (0)(0) \\ (0)(1) \end{matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Compute the tensor product shown below (5 points).

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Compute the transpose of the matrix shown below (5 points).

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \\ 7 & 10 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 & 7 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. What is the result of applying the matrix below to $|1\rangle$? (5 points)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} (1)(0) & + & (1)(1) \\ (0)(0) & + & (0)(1) \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$

Set to constant
Zero

5. Is it possible to factor this 1×4 column vector into a tensor product of two other vectors? If so, provide the values to be substituted for the question marks in the equation below; if not, explain why not. (5 points)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} ? \\ ? \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

yes, it is possible to solve the equation given. Although, there are infinite many solutions to solving the Kronecker product because any product of $[0, a]$ and $[1/a, 0]$,

where $a \neq 0$ would provide the answer $[0,0,1,0]$. For example, $\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{smallmatrix} \otimes \begin{smallmatrix} 1/3 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} = [0,0,1,0]$. However, since a is given the output would be $\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix} \otimes \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix} = [0,0,1,0]$. $= \{1,0\}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} ? \\ ? \end{pmatrix} = \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$