

Intorduction to Quantum Computing: Homework #1

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Problem 1

Part (a)

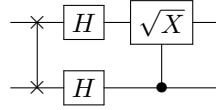


Figure 1: Simplified Circuit for Problem 1a

Let us look at Fig. 1. The matrices for given operations are as follow:

$$\text{SWAP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H \otimes I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I \otimes H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C\sqrt{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1+i}{2} & 0 & \frac{1-i}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1-i}{2} & 0 & \frac{1+i}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

We can see that SWAP and $C\sqrt{X}$ are already two-level unitaries.

For both Hadamard gates:

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 U_2 = U_1(H \otimes I) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \\
 U_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 U_4 = U_3(I \otimes H) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the original matrix can be decomposed as:

$$C(\sqrt{X})(U_4^\dagger U_3^\dagger U_2^\dagger U_1^\dagger) \text{SWAP}$$

Part (b)

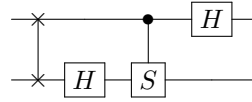
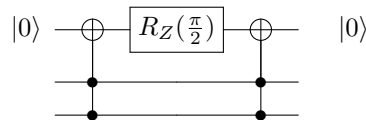


Figure 2: Simplified Circuit for Problem 1b

The above circuit also evaluates to the original matrix.

Firstly, let's note that SWAP gate can be decomposed into 3 Toffoli's. Then, the Controlled S gate can be written as:



Where $HR_Z(\pi)H = HZH = X$, and $R_Z(\frac{\pi}{2}) = S$.

Overall then a whole circuit can be written as:

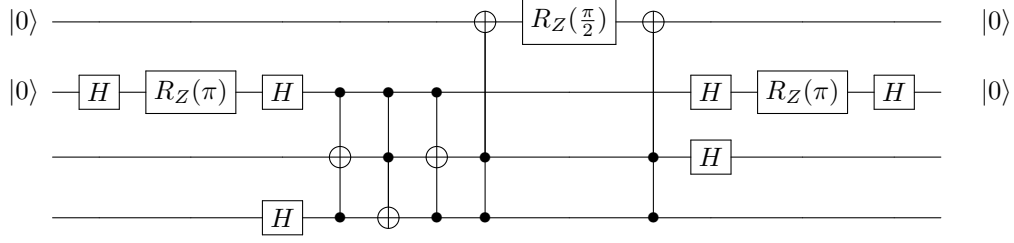


Figure 3: Full Circuit for Problem 1b

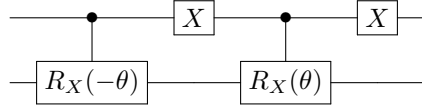
This circuit contains:

- 6 Hadamard gates
- 3 R_Z gates
- 5 Toffoli gates

While it is not the most optimal solution (i.e. there exists a solution with only one ancilla qubit), it works.

Problem 2

Let us create an $R_Z(\theta)$ gate.



Let us analyze the above circuit:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) & -i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ 0 & 0 & -i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) & \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) & -i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}) \\ 0 & 0 & -i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}) & \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) \end{pmatrix} = \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) & -i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ 0 & 0 & -i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) & \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) & -i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}) \\ 0 & 0 & -i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}) & \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \\
 & \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) & -i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) & 0 & 0 \\ -i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) & \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) & -i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}) \\ 0 & 0 & -i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}) & \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us consider what happens when a $|0+\rangle$ state is applied:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |0+\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle) \rightarrow \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((\cos(\frac{\theta}{2})|00\rangle - i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})|01\rangle) + (-i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})|00\rangle + \cos(\frac{\theta}{2})|01\rangle)) &= \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) - i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}))|00\rangle + (\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) - i \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}))|01\rangle) &= \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}|00\rangle + e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}|01\rangle) &= \\
 \frac{e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle) &= \\
 \frac{e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}|0+\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

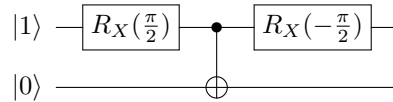
On the other hand if $|1+\rangle$ is applied then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |1+\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|10\rangle + |11\rangle) \rightarrow \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((\cos(\frac{-\theta}{2})|10\rangle - i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2})|11\rangle) + (-i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2})|10\rangle + \cos(\frac{-\theta}{2})|11\rangle)) &= \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((\cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) - i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}))|10\rangle + (\cos(\frac{-\theta}{2}) - i \sin(\frac{-\theta}{2}))|11\rangle) &= \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}|10\rangle + e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}|11\rangle) &= \\
 \frac{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}(|10\rangle + |11\rangle) &= \\
 \frac{e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}}}{\sqrt{2}}|1+\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we can see that for a first qubit this is equivalent to applying a $R_Z(\theta)$ gate.

Now we have to dicuss how to create a $|+\rangle$ state. First let's not that all $R_X(\theta)$, CNOT, Toffoli, and X gates can be created from this controlled $R_X(\theta)$ gate (by setting controls to $|1\rangle$ and/or by specific arguments θ).

The following circuit:



This corresponds to following matrix multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & i \\ i & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \\
\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & i \\ i & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \\
\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & i \\ i & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \\
\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ i \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we can measure first qubit until we get $|1\rangle$ state. In such case, the second will be in $|+\rangle$ which is required for the implementation of the $R_Z(\theta)$ gate.

Since, as shown in a class a sequence of R_Z and R_X , can implement any 1-qubit unitary gate they are sufficient to be universal for single qubit operations. Additionally, if we include a Toffoli, we can then implement any Controlled Unitary operation. Hence R_Z, R_X and $CNOT$ is a universal set. Hence the doubly controlled R_X gate is also universal.

Problem 3

Part (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
|\psi\rangle &= \sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e}} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-x/2} |x\rangle \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e}} \left(\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-x} |2x\rangle + \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-x-1/2} |2x+1\rangle \right) \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e}} \left(\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-x} |2x\rangle + e^{-1/2} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-x} |2x+1\rangle \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Then we see that the ratio of probabilities of even and odd numbers is:

$$\frac{P(\text{even})}{P(\text{odd})} = \frac{1^2}{(e^{-1/2})^2} = e$$

Then from probability:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= P(\text{all}) = P(\text{odd}) + P(\text{even}) \\
 &= P(\text{even}) \frac{P(\text{odd})}{P(\text{even})} + P(\text{even}) \\
 &= P(\text{even})e^{-1} + P(\text{even}) \\
 &= P(\text{even})\left(1 + \frac{1}{e}\right) = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{even})\left(1 + \frac{1}{e}\right) &= 1 \\
 P(\text{even}) &= \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{e}\right)} \\
 P(\text{even}) &= \frac{e}{(e + 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Part (b)

First let's note that $e^{-x} > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \\
 \sum_{i=0}^0 e^{-i^2} &< \\
 \sum_{i=0}^1 e^{-i^2} &< \\
 \sum_{i=0}^2 e^{-i^2} &< \\
 &\dots < \\
 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{-i^2} &<
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, due to convexity of the function $\sqrt{x} < \sqrt{x + \epsilon}$, where $x \geq 0, \epsilon > 0$. Both of these properties will be used in derivation below.

The probability of a perfect square is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e}} e^{-i^2/2} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \\
 & \left(\frac{e-1}{e} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{-i^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \\
 & \sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{-i^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \\
 & 0.79 \cdot \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{-i^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \\
 & 0.79 \cdot (e^0 + e^{-1} + e^{-4} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{-i^2})^{\frac{1}{2}} > \\
 & 0.79 \cdot (1 + 0.36 + 0.01 + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{-i^2})^{\frac{1}{2}} > \\
 & 0.79 \cdot 1^{\frac{1}{2}} = \\
 & 0.79
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us calculate:

$$\frac{e-1}{e} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} < 0.57$$

Hence, overall:

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\sqrt{\frac{e-1}{e}} e^{-i^2/2} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} > 0.79 > 0.57 > \frac{e-1}{e} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$