



Lecture8....



Quantum Hardware – Optical Models

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In this lecture, we will continue quantizing the SHO, and then we will discuss how one might implement simple quantum logic gates such as the CNOT-gate to this system.

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— THE SINGLE HARMONIC OSCILLATOR (continuation...)

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 z^2$$

$$\rightarrow E_n = \hbar \omega (n + 1/2) \quad , \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

$E_0 = \frac{\hbar \omega}{2}$ (ground state)

$a|n\rangle = \sqrt{n}|n-1\rangle$ (ANNIHILATION OPERATION)

$+ \dots - \sqrt{n}|n+1\rangle$ (CREATION OPERATION)

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- $a|n\rangle = \sqrt{n}|n-1\rangle$ (ANNIHILATION OPERATOR)
 - $a^+|n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1}|n+1\rangle$ (CREATION OPERATOR)
- What's happen when applying a^+ successively to the ground state $|0\rangle$

$$a^+|0\rangle = |1\rangle$$

$$(a^+)^2|0\rangle = a^+|1\rangle = \sqrt{2}|2\rangle \Rightarrow |2\rangle = \frac{(a^+)^2|0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$(a^+)^3|0\rangle = \sqrt{2}a^+|2\rangle = \sqrt{6}|3\rangle \Rightarrow |3\rangle = \frac{(a^+)^3|0\rangle}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$|n\rangle = \frac{(a^+)^n}{\sqrt{n!}}|0\rangle$$

- In this way we have succeeded in constructing simultaneous eigenkets of $N = a^+a$, and H with eigenvalues

$$E_n = (n+1/2)\hbar\omega, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

From $\begin{cases} a|n\rangle = \sqrt{n}|n-1\rangle \\ a^+|n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1}|n+1\rangle \end{cases}$, and the orthogonality condition for $\{|n\rangle\}$ we obtain the following matrix elements

$$\cdot \langle n'|a|n\rangle = \sqrt{n} \langle n'|n-1\rangle = \sqrt{n} \delta_{n', n-1}$$

$$\cdot \langle n'|a^+|n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} \langle n'|n+1\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} \delta_{n', n+1}$$

$$\text{Obs.: } \delta_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1, & i=j \\ 0, & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Using this together with the definition

- using this together with the definition of a and a^\dagger

$$a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} (m\omega x + ip) \quad \cdot a^\dagger a = \sqrt{\frac{mc}{2\pi}} \alpha x$$

$$a^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} (m\omega x - ip) \quad \cdot a^\dagger a = \frac{-2ip}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}}$$

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} (a + a^\dagger) ; \quad p = i \sqrt{\frac{m\hbar\omega}{2}} (a^\dagger - a)$$

- we define matrix elements of x and p

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$$\cdot \langle n' | x | n \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \left(\sqrt{n} \delta_{n',n-1} + \sqrt{n+1} \delta_{n',n+1} \right)$$

$$\cdot \langle n' | p | n \rangle = i \sqrt{\frac{m\hbar\omega}{2}} \left(\sqrt{n+1} \delta_{n',n+1} - \sqrt{n} \delta_{n',n-1} \right)$$

- notice that neither x nor p is diagonal in the N -representation we are using, because x and p do not commute with N

- we can also use this to compute the energy eigenfunctions in the position space

- to do this, let's start with the ground state

$$a|0\rangle = 0$$

in terms of x -representation

$$\langle x' | a | 0 \rangle = \langle x' | \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} (m\omega x + ip) | 0 \rangle = 0$$

$p = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{d}{dx}$

$$\langle x^1 | a^+ | 0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} \left(m\omega \langle x^1 | x^1 | 0 \rangle + \hbar \langle x^1 | \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} | 0 \rangle \right) = 0$$

$\rho = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}$

$$= \left(m\omega x^1 + \hbar \frac{d}{dx^1} \right) \underbrace{\langle x^1 | 0 \rangle}_{\psi_0(x^1)} = 0$$

$$\left(x^1 + x_0^2 \frac{d}{dx^1} \right) \psi_0(x^1) = 0 , \quad x_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}}$$

$$x_0^2 \frac{d}{dx^1} \psi_0(x^1) = -x^1 \psi_0(x^1) \Rightarrow \frac{d\psi_0(x^1)}{\psi_0(x^1)} = -x_0^{-2} \left(x^1 \alpha x^1 - x^1 \frac{d}{dx^1} x^1 \right)$$

$$\psi_0(x^1) = C e^{\alpha x^1}$$

$$\int |\psi_0|^2 dx^1 = 1 \Rightarrow C = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi^{1/4} x_0^{1/2}}$$

$$\psi_0(x^1) = \frac{1}{\pi^{1/4} \sqrt{x_0}} e^{-\frac{x^1}{2x_0}}$$

, Ground state

- we can obtain the energy eigenfunctions for the excited states

$$\cdot \langle x^1 | 1 \rangle = \psi_1(x^1) = \langle x^1 | a^+ | 0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} \langle x^1 | (m\omega x - i\rho) | 0 \rangle$$

$$\psi_1(x^1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} \left(x^1 - x_0^2 \frac{d}{dx^1} \right) \psi_0(x^1) , \quad \psi_0(x^1) = \langle x^1 | 0 \rangle$$

$$\cdot \langle x^1 | 2 \rangle = \psi_2(x^1) = \langle x^1 | (a^+)^2 | 0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} \langle x^1 | (m\omega x - i\rho)^2 | 0 \rangle$$

$$\langle x' | \psi \rangle = \psi(x') = \langle x' | (a^\dagger)^2 | 0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} \langle x' | (m\omega x - i\hbar)^2 | 0 \rangle$$

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$$\psi(x') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2!}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2} x_0} \right)^2 \left(x' - x_0^2 \frac{\alpha}{\alpha x'} \right)^2 \psi_0(x')$$

in general,

$$\psi_n(x) = \frac{1}{\pi^{n/4} \sqrt{2^n n!}} \left(\frac{1}{x_0^{n+1/2}} \right) \left(x' - x_0^2 \frac{\alpha}{\alpha x'} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x'}{x_0} \right)^2}$$

- you can check the first five solutions for ψ_n
in page 285 (Nielsen-Chuang)

- these wave-functions describe the probability amplitude that a particle in the SHO will be found at different positions within the potential

- in general we will be more interested in the following properties of the states

$$[H, a^\dagger] = [\hbar\omega(a^\dagger a + 1/2), a^\dagger] = \hbar\omega [a^\dagger a, a^\dagger] + \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} [1, a^\dagger]$$

$$= \hbar\omega \left(a^\dagger [a, a^\dagger] + [a^\dagger, a^\dagger] a \right) = \hbar\omega a^\dagger$$

Applying this to $|1\rangle$

$$H a^\dagger |1\rangle = ([H, a^\dagger] + a^\dagger H) |1\rangle = (\hbar\omega a^\dagger + a^\dagger H) |1\rangle$$

REMEMBER: $H|1\rangle = E|1\rangle$

$$\hat{H}|\psi\rangle = (\hbar\omega + \epsilon)|\psi\rangle$$

$a^\dagger|\psi\rangle$ is an eigenstate of H , with energy $E + \hbar\omega$

- Similarly, $a|\psi\rangle$ is an eigenstate with ENERGY $E - \hbar\omega$ (homework)

- It follows that $(a^\dagger)^n|\psi\rangle$ are eigenstates for ANY n WITH ENERGIES : $E + n\hbar\omega$ (homework)

WHERE, $E = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega$, is THE GROUND STATE ENERGY

$$E_n = E + n\hbar\omega$$

QUANTUM COMPUTATION

- Suppose we want to perform computation with the SHO described before

WHAT CAN BE DONE?

QUBITS: $|0\rangle, |1\rangle, |2\rangle, \dots$

- A NATURAL CHOICE FOR QUBITS REPRESENTATION ARE THE ENERGY EIGENSTATES $|n\rangle$

- LET'S PERFORM, FOR INSTANCE, A CNOT-GATE IN THE FOLLOWING WAY:

..... THAT A CNOT-GATE PERFORMS THE MAPPING

- RECALL THAT A CNOT-GATE PERFORMS THE MAPPING
 • CNOT $|00\rangle_L \rightarrow |00\rangle_L$, $|1\rangle \rightarrow \text{LOGICAL STATES}$
 • CNOT $|01\rangle_L \rightarrow |01\rangle_L$, $|1\rangle \rightarrow \text{SHO STATES}$
 • CNOT $|10\rangle_L \rightarrow |11\rangle_L$
 • CNOT $|11\rangle_L \rightarrow |10\rangle_L$

- SO, FOR THE SHO QUANTUM COMPUTER MODEL WE
 NEED SIMILAR LOGIC TO REPRESENT A CNOT-GATE

- SUPPOSE THAT AT $t=0$, THE SYSTEM IS SPANNED
 IN STATE SPANNED BY THE SHO BASIS STATES ($|n\rangle$)

- AND THEN WE EVOLVE THE SYSTEM FORWARD IN
 TIME $t=\pi/\omega$

- FROM THE SCHRODINGER EQUATION TIME EVOLUTION OF
 THE EIGENSTATES IS GIVEN BY

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = H |\psi(t)\rangle, \quad |\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iHt/\hbar}$$

$$|\psi(t,\kappa)\rangle = e^{-iHt/\hbar} |\psi(0,\kappa)\rangle$$

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \sum_n c_n(\omega) |n\rangle, \text{ BUT}$$

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \underbrace{e^{-iHt/\hbar}}_{T \rightarrow \text{TIME EVOLUTION OPERATOR (UNITARY)}} |\psi(0)\rangle$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum_n c_n e^{-iHt/\hbar} |n\rangle, \text{ and } H = \hbar\omega(a a^\dagger + \frac{1}{2})$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum_n c_n e^{-i\hbar\omega(a a^\dagger + \frac{1}{2})t/\hbar} |n\rangle$$

$$= \sum_n c_n e^{-i\omega t/2} e^{-ia^\dagger a t} |n\rangle$$

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \sum_n c_n(t) e^{-i\omega t/2} e^{-ia^\dagger a t} |n\rangle$$

- so, what is important for us is that the SHO ENERGY EIGENSTATES UNDERGO TRANSFORMATIONS OF THE TYPE

$$|n\rangle \rightarrow e^{-i\omega t a^\dagger a} |n\rangle$$

- so, the system evolves forward in time by

$$t = \pi/\omega$$

$$|n\rangle \rightarrow e^{-i\omega t a^\dagger a} |n\rangle$$

- using the DEFINITION of the EXPONENTIAL OPERATOR ($e^{\hat{A}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\hat{A}^n}{n!} = 1 + \hat{A} + \frac{\hat{A}^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{\hat{A}^n}{n!}$)

$$|n\rangle \rightarrow (1 - i\pi a^\dagger a + \dots) |n\rangle = (1 - i\pi n + \dots) |n\rangle$$

$$|n\rangle \rightarrow e^{-i\pi n} |n\rangle = (\cos n\pi - i \sin n\pi)^0 |n\rangle$$

\dots

$$|n\rangle \rightarrow (-1)^n |n\rangle$$

THE SHO AS A QUANTUM COMPUTER

$$\begin{aligned} |0\rangle &\rightarrow |0\rangle ; \quad |2\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle ; \quad |4\rangle \rightarrow |4\rangle \\ |1\rangle &\rightarrow -|1\rangle ; \quad |3\rangle \rightarrow -|3\rangle ; \end{aligned}$$

So, the CNOT-gate for the SHO could be represented by

i) $\text{CNOT } |00\rangle_L \rightarrow |0\rangle$, since $|0\rangle$ never changes

ii) $\text{CNOT } |01\rangle_L \rightarrow |2\rangle$, since $|2\rangle$ "

iii) $\text{CNOT } |10\rangle_L \rightarrow (|4\rangle + |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ because $|4\rangle$ never changes the eigenvalues are $|1\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$ after $t = \pi/\omega$

iv) $\text{CNOT } |11\rangle_L \rightarrow (|4\rangle - |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$

- THE RESULT OF THESE STATES (i) - iv) IS THE DESIRED CNOT-GATE TRANSFORMATION

- IN GENERAL, A NECESSARY CONDITION FOR A PHYSICAL SYSTEM TO BE ABLE TO PERFORM UNITARY TRANSFORM IS SIMPLY THAT THE EVOLUTION OPERATOR FOR THE SYSTEM : $T = e^{-iHt}$

- IN THE CASE ABOVE, THE CNOT GATES WERE SIMPLE TO IMPLEMENT BECAUSE IT ONLY HAS EIGENVALUES

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SUMMARY FOR THE SHO QUANTUM COMPUTER

- QUBIT REPRESENTATION

\rightarrow ENERGY LEVELS $|0\rangle, |1\rangle, \dots$

- UNITARY EVOLUTION

\rightarrow UNITARY TRANSFORMS OF T REALIZED BY
MATCHING THEIR EIGENVALUES SPECTRUMS TO THOSE
GIVEN BY THE HAMILTONIAN: $H = a^\dagger a = n$

- INITIAL STATE PREPARATION

\rightarrow NOT CONSIDERED

- READ OUT

\rightarrow NOT CONSIDERED

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CNOT } |\langle 0 \rangle_L \otimes |1\rangle_L &= |1\rangle_L \otimes |0\rangle_L \\ \text{CNOT } |\langle 1 \rangle_L \otimes |0\rangle_L &= |0\rangle_L \otimes |1\rangle_L \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{comp. bases} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |0\rangle &\xrightarrow{\text{T}} \frac{(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}} \xrightarrow{\text{CNOT}} \frac{(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{S40} \end{array} \right\} \\ &\quad \xrightarrow{\text{T}} \frac{(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}} \xrightarrow{\text{CNOT}} \frac{(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} |00\rangle_L \rightarrow |0\rangle \\ |01\rangle_L \rightarrow |1\rangle \end{cases}$$