

# Quantum Oracle: Properties

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## Preliminary

Here, let us set up classical and quantum oracles to be used in the examples below.

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In[*]:= $m = 3;  
$n = 2;
```

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In[*]:= f[1] = f[2] = 3;  
f[7] = 2;  
f[_Integer] = 0;
```

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```
In[*]:= ff = Oracle[f, $m, $n];  
xx = Tuples[{0, 1}, $m];  
yy = ff /@ xx;
```

```
In[*]:= Thread[xx → yy] // TableForm  
Out[*]//TableForm=  
{0, 0, 0} → {0, 0}  
{0, 0, 1} → {1, 1}  
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{0, 1, 1} → {0, 0}  
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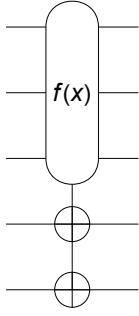
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```
In[*]:= Let[Qubit, S, T]
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In[*]:= SS = S[Range[$m], $];  
TT = T[Range[$n], $];
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```
In[*]:= op = Oracle[f, SS, TT]  
Out[*]=  
Oracle[f, {S1, S2, S3}, {T1, T2}]
```

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In[*]:= qc = QuantumCircuit[op]
Out[*]=
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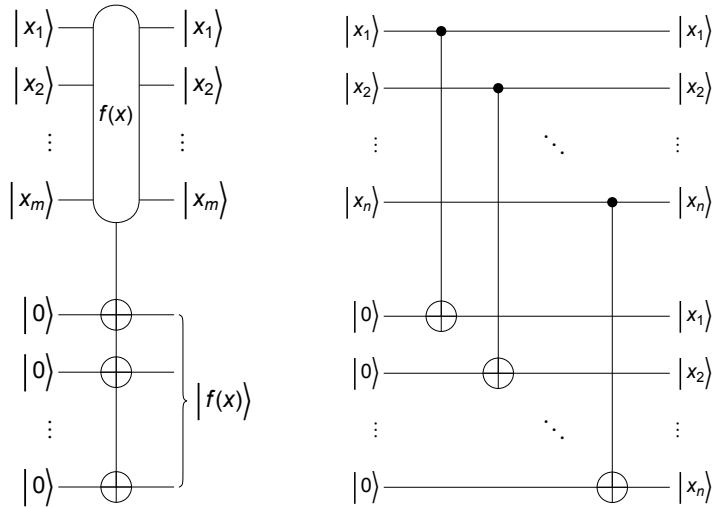
## Making Copies

The CNOT gate makes a copy of the computational basis state of the control register to the target register when the latter has been prepared initially in the state  $|0\rangle$ ,

$$|x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle \otimes |x\rangle.$$

The quantum oracle has a similar property, but it makes a copy of the image  $|f(x)\rangle$  rather than the input state  $|x\rangle$  itself of the native register to the ancillary register,

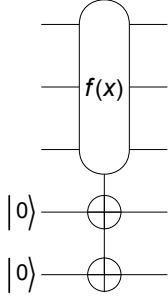
$$|x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle \otimes |f(x)\rangle.$$



**Figure 4. (left)** A quantum circuit demonstrating the feature  $|x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle \otimes |f(x)\rangle$  of the quantum oracle corresponding to classical oracle  $f : \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ . **(right)** A quantum circuit demonstrating the feature  $|x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle \otimes |x\rangle$  of the CNOT gates.

## Example

```
In[*]:= QuantumCircuit[Ket[TT], op]
Out[*]=
```



```
In[*]:= in = Basis[SS];
ProductForm[in, {SS, TT}]
Out[*]=
```

$$\{ |000\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |001\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |010\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |011\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, \\ |100\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |101\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |110\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |111\rangle \otimes |00\rangle \}$$

```
In[*]:= out = op ** in;
ProductForm[out, {SS, TT}]
Out[*]=
```

$$\{ |000\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |001\rangle \otimes |11\rangle, |010\rangle \otimes |11\rangle, |011\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, \\ |100\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |101\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |110\rangle \otimes |00\rangle, |111\rangle \otimes |10\rangle \}$$

```
In[*]:= ProductForm[Thread[in → out], {SS, TT}] // TableForm
Out[*] // TableForm =
```

$ 000\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 000\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$
$ 001\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 001\rangle \otimes  11\rangle$
$ 010\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 010\rangle \otimes  11\rangle$
$ 011\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 011\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$
$ 100\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 100\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$
$ 101\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 101\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$
$ 110\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 110\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$
$ 111\rangle \otimes  00\rangle$	$\rightarrow$	$ 111\rangle \otimes  10\rangle$

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In[*]:= Thread[xx → yy] // TableForm
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Out[*] // TableForm =
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$\{0, 0, 0\}$	$\rightarrow$	$\{0, 0\}$
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## Superposition State

Furthermore, suppose that a native quantum register is in the superposition

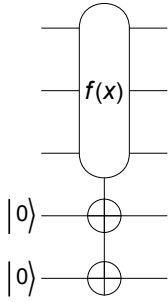
$$\frac{1}{2^{m/2}} \sum_{x=0}^{2^m-1} |x\rangle$$

and the ancillary quantum register in the state  $|0\rangle \equiv |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$ . The quantum oracle transforms the state as

$$\frac{1}{2^{m/2}} \sum_{x=0}^{2^m-1} |x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mapsto \frac{1}{2^{m/2}} \sum_{x=0}^{2^m-1} |x\rangle \otimes |f(x)\rangle$$

Just like the CNOT gate, the above state from the quantum oracle is also entangled in general unless  $f$  is a constant or very special function. In this case, the entanglement is controlled by the (classical) oracle  $f$ .

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In[*]:= QuantumCircuit[Ket[TT], op]
Out[*]=
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```
In[*]:= in = Total@Basis[SS];
ProductForm[in, {SS, TT}]
Out[*]=
```

$$\begin{aligned} &|000\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |001\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |010\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |011\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + \\ &|100\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |101\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |110\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |111\rangle \otimes |00\rangle \end{aligned}$$

```
In[*]:= out = op ** in;
ProductForm[out, {SS, TT}]
Out[*]=
```

$$\begin{aligned} &|000\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |001\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + |010\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + |011\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + \\ &|100\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |101\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |110\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |111\rangle \otimes |10\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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In[*]:= Thread[xx → yy] // TableForm
Out[*]//TableForm=
{0, 0, 0} → {0, 0}
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{0, 1, 1} → {0, 0}
{1, 0, 0} → {0, 0}
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{1, 1, 1} → {1, 0}

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## Marking

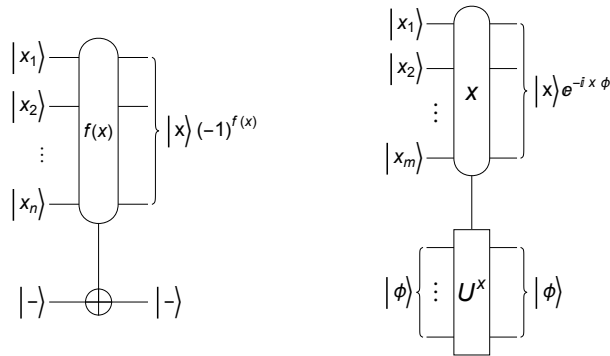
The controlled-unitary gate induces a phase shift on the control register (rather than on the target register) when the target register is in an eigenstate of the unitary operator.

A similar method can be used to induce a phase shift conditionally on every term that satisfies a certain condition:

$$|x\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle (-1)^{f(x)}$$

More generally,

$$\sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} |x\rangle \mapsto \sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} |x\rangle (-1)^{f(x)}$$

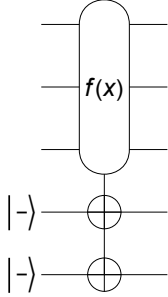


**Figure 5. (left)** A quantum circuit to induces conditional phase shifts depending on function value  $f(x)$  at input value  $x := (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ . **(right)** For comparison, the controlled exponentiation of a unitary gate induces an  $x$ -dependent phase shift, where  $x := (x_1 x_2 \dots x_m)_2$ .

## Example

```
In[*]:= QuantumCircuit[ProductState[T[{1, 2}] → {1, -1}, "Label" → Ket[{"-"}]], op]
```

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Out[*]=
```



```
In[*]:= in = Basis[SS] ** ProductState[T[1] → {1, 1}, T[2] → {1, -1}];
KetFactor[in]
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Out[*]=
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$$\begin{aligned} & \{ |0_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), |0_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |0_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |0_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle) \} \end{aligned}$$

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In[*]:= out = op ** in;
KetFactor[out]
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Out[*]=
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$$\begin{aligned} & \{ |0_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & - (|0_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle)), \\ & - (|0_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle)), \\ & |0_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle), \\ & |1_{S_1} 1_{S_2} 1_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle) \} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& |0_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle) \rightarrow |0_{S_1} 0_{S_2} 0_{S_3}\rangle \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle) \\
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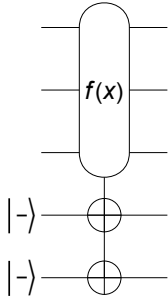
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\end{aligned}$$

## Superposition

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In[*]:= in = Total@Basis[SS] ** ProductState[T[1] → {1, 1}, T[2] → {1, -1}];
KetFactor[in]
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Out[*]=
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In[*]:= out = op ** in;
ProductForm[out, {SS, TT}]

Out[*]=

$$\begin{aligned}
& |000\rangle \otimes |00\rangle - |000\rangle \otimes |01\rangle + |000\rangle \otimes |10\rangle - |000\rangle \otimes |11\rangle - |001\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |001\rangle \otimes |01\rangle - \\
& |001\rangle \otimes |10\rangle + |001\rangle \otimes |11\rangle - |010\rangle \otimes |00\rangle + |010\rangle \otimes |01\rangle - |010\rangle \otimes |10\rangle + \\
& |010\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + |011\rangle \otimes |00\rangle - |011\rangle \otimes |01\rangle + |011\rangle \otimes |10\rangle - |011\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + \\
& |100\rangle \otimes |00\rangle - |100\rangle \otimes |01\rangle + |100\rangle \otimes |10\rangle - |100\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + |101\rangle \otimes |00\rangle - \\
& |101\rangle \otimes |01\rangle + |101\rangle \otimes |10\rangle - |101\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + |110\rangle \otimes |00\rangle - |110\rangle \otimes |01\rangle + \\
& |110\rangle \otimes |10\rangle - |110\rangle \otimes |11\rangle + |111\rangle \otimes |00\rangle - |111\rangle \otimes |01\rangle + |111\rangle \otimes |10\rangle - |111\rangle \otimes |11\rangle
\end{aligned}$$


In[*]:= KetFactor[out]

Out[*]=

$$\begin{aligned}
& (|0_{S_1}0_{S_2}0_{S_3}\rangle - |0_{S_1}0_{S_2}1_{S_3}\rangle - |0_{S_1}1_{S_2}0_{S_3}\rangle + |0_{S_1}1_{S_2}1_{S_3}\rangle + |1_{S_1}0_{S_2}0_{S_3}\rangle + \\
& |1_{S_1}0_{S_2}1_{S_3}\rangle + |1_{S_1}1_{S_2}0_{S_3}\rangle + |1_{S_1}1_{S_2}1_{S_3}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_1}\rangle + |1_{T_1}\rangle) \otimes (|0_{T_2}\rangle - |1_{T_2}\rangle)
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| {0, 1, 0} | → {1, 1} |
| {0, 1, 1} | → {0, 0} |
| {1, 0, 0} | → {0, 0} |
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## Summary

### Keywords

- Oracle
- Quantum oracle
- Quantum decision making

### Functions

- Oracle
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### Related Links

- Section 4.2 of the Quantum Workbook (2022, 2023).
- Tutorial: Quantum Oracle
- Tutorial: Quantum Decision Algorithms