

Book - Quantum Computation and Quantum Information.

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Chapter - The Quantum Search Algorithm

Exercise 6.1: Show that the unitary operator corresponding to the phase shift in the Grover iteration is  $2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I$ .

Proof: Indeed we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & 2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I \\ &= 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} (1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0) - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

How does this unitary operator act on qubits in the computational basis state?

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) |0\rangle \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \neq (2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) |1\rangle \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

(Note the minus sign).

in general for 1 in  $i$ -th position with  $i \geq 2$  we get

$$(2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) |i\rangle = -|i\rangle$$

Thus we have:

$$(2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) |x\rangle = \begin{cases} |x\rangle & \text{if } x=0 \\ -|x\rangle & \text{if } x>0. \end{cases}$$

The right hand side is exactly the phase shift happening in the Grover iteration. Hence we are done.

Exercise 6.14. Verification of Equation 6.6

$$H^{\otimes n} (2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) H^{\otimes n} = 2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I$$

where  $|\psi\rangle$  is the equally weighted superposition which is the starting state.

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |x\rangle \quad (N=2^n)$$

Indeed we have:

$$H^{\otimes n} (2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) H^{\otimes n}$$



$$= 2 H^{\otimes n} |0\rangle \langle 0| H^{\otimes n} - H^{\otimes n} H^{\otimes n}$$

~~= 2~~ Now note that:

$$H^{\otimes n} |0\rangle = |\psi\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle 0| H^{\otimes n} = \langle \psi|$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 H^{\otimes n} |0\rangle \langle 0| H^{\otimes n} - H^{\otimes n} H^{\otimes n}$$

$$= 2 H^{\otimes n} |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| - H^{\otimes n} H^{\otimes n}$$

Now we only have to prove that:

$$H^{\otimes n} H^{\otimes n} = I$$

We will prove this by induction  $n$ .

For  $n=1$  we have:

$$H^{\otimes 1} H^{\otimes 1} = H^2$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}^2$$

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

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

Assume true for ~~some~~ some  $n$ .  
Now for  $n+1$ , we have,

$$H^{\otimes n+1} \cdot H^{\otimes n+1}$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} H^{\otimes n} & H^{\otimes n} \\ H^{\otimes n} & -H^{\otimes n} \end{pmatrix} \right\}^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} H^{\otimes n} & H^{\otimes n} \\ H^{\otimes n} & -H^{\otimes n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H^{\otimes n} & H^{\otimes n} \\ H^{\otimes n} & -H^{\otimes n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2(H^{\otimes n})^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2(H^{\otimes n})^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{by the induction} \\ \text{hypothesis is} \\ \text{true for } n \end{array} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Thus  $I$  result is true for  $n+1$  also  
result is true for all  $n \geq 1$

Therefore  $H^{\otimes n} H^{\otimes n} = I$ .

Hence we have,

$$H^{\otimes n} (2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I) H^{\otimes n}$$

$$= 2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I.$$

as desired.

Exercise 6.2: show that the operation  $(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I)$  applied to a general state  $\sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle$  produces

$$\sum_k [-\alpha_k + 2\langle\alpha\rangle] |k\rangle$$

where  $\langle\alpha\rangle \equiv \sum_k \alpha_k / N$  is the mean value of the  $\alpha_k$ .

Proof: we have,

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Therefore;

$$|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{where} \\ N = 2^n \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I$$

$$= \frac{2}{N} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{N} - 1 & \frac{2}{N} & \dots & \frac{2}{N} \\ \frac{2}{N} & \frac{2}{N} - 1 & \dots & \frac{2}{N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{2}{N} & \frac{2}{N} & \dots & \frac{2}{N} - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now

$$\sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - \mathbb{I}) \left( \sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle \right)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{N} - 1 & \frac{2}{N} & \dots & \frac{2}{N} \\ \frac{2}{N} & \frac{2}{N} - 1 & \dots & \frac{2}{N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{2}{N} & \frac{2}{N} & \dots & \frac{2}{N} - 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{N} \sum_k \alpha_k - \alpha_1 \\ \frac{2}{N} \sum_k \alpha_k - \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{2}{N} \sum_k \alpha_k - \alpha_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{2}{N} \sum_k \alpha_k \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_N \end{pmatrix}$$



$$= 2\langle\alpha\rangle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2\langle\alpha\rangle \sum_k |k\rangle - \sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle$$

$$= \sum_k (2\langle\alpha\rangle - \alpha_k) |k\rangle$$

$$= \sum_k [-\alpha_k + 2\langle\alpha\rangle] |k\rangle$$

Thus we have prove that

$$2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I$$

$$= \sum_k [-\alpha_k + 2\langle\alpha\rangle] |k\rangle$$

which is what was required to be proved.

Book - Explorations in Quantum Computing  
(Texts in Computer Science)

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Exercise - 5.2 (Performing search with  
a Quantum Computer)

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Verification of a step in the analysis  
of the Grover's Algorithm

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The analysis of Grover's algorithm required  
us to compute the  $k$ -th power of  
the matrix  $Q$  where:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 4|u|^2 & 2u \\ -2u^* & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where  $u$  is an arbitrary complex number.  
However  $Q^k$  can be exactly computed  
in terms of the Chebyshev's polynomials.  
we find that:

$$Q^k = (-1)^k \left( U_{2k}(1/4) - \frac{4}{1/4} U_{2k-1}(1/4) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1/4}{1/4} U_{2k-1}(1/4) - U_{2k-2}(1/4) \right)$$

where  $U_k(\cos \theta) = \frac{\sin((k+1)\theta)}{\sin \theta}$  — (2)

is the Chebyshev polynomial of the second kind. Use a proof by induction to show that this form is correct. You will find the following facts to be useful:

$$U_0(x) = 1$$

$$U_1(x) = 2x$$

$$U_2(x) = 4x^2 - 1$$

and the Chebyshev polynomials are related to one another via the recursion formula:

$$U_{k+1}(x) - 2x U_k(x) + U_{k-1}(x) = 0. \quad \text{--- (3)}$$



Proof: we see that for  $k=1$ ,

$$\Phi^1 = (-1)^1 \begin{pmatrix} u_2(1u1) & -\frac{u}{1u} u_1(1u1) \\ \frac{u^*}{1u} \cdot u_1(1u1) & -u_0(1u1) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= - \begin{pmatrix} 4|u|^2 - 1 & -\frac{u}{1u} \cdot 2|u| \\ \frac{u^*}{1u} \cdot 2|u| & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 4|u|^2 & 2u \\ -2u^* & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \Phi$$

Hence the induction hypothesis  
is true for  $k=1$ .

Next assume the induction hypothesis  
is true for  $k$ . That is (2) holds  
we will show that it is true for  $k+1$ .

Before we go ahead that step first  
we note that:

$$u_{k+1}(x) - 2x u_k(x) + u_{k-1}(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{2k+2}(x) - 2x u_{2k+1}(x) + u_{2k}(x) = 0$$

$$\text{and } u_{2k+1}(x) - 2x u_{2k}(x) + u_{2k-1}(x) = 0$$

together imply that:

$$u_{2k+2}(x) - 2x [2x u_{2k}(x) - u_{2k-1}(x)] + u_{2k} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{2k+2}(x) = (4x^2 - 1) u_{2k}(x) + 2x u_{2k-1}(x) \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

similarly: we can also get:

$$u_{2k+1}(x) = (4x^2 - 1) u_{2k-1}(x) - 2x u_{2k-2}(x) \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

we will use these in what follows;

$$Q^{k+1} = Q^k \cdot Q$$

$$= (-1)^k \begin{pmatrix} u_{2k}(1u1) & -\frac{u}{1u1} \cdot u_{2k-1}(1u1) \\ \frac{u^*}{1u1} \cdot u_{2k-1}(1u1) & -u_{2k-2}(1u1) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\times (-1)^k \begin{pmatrix} 4u^2 - 1 & -2u \\ 2u^* & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (-1)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$= (-1)^{k+1}$$

$$\left( u_{2k}(u) (4u^2-1) - \frac{u}{|u|} \cdot u_{2k-1}(u) \cdot 2u^* \right. \\ \left. - u_{2k}(u) \cdot 2u + \frac{u}{|u|} \cdot u_{2k-1}(u) \right) \\ - u_{2k-1}(u) (4u^2-1) + u_{2k-2}(u) \cdot 2u^* \\ \left. - \frac{u^*}{|u|} \cdot u_{2k-1}(u) \cdot 2u + u_{2k-2}(u) \right)$$

Now, we look at each term:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{11} &= a_{2k}(1u1)(4|u|^2-1) + 2|u| \cdot a_{2k-1}(1u1) \\ &= a_{2k+2}(1u1) \quad (\text{by } \textcircled{4}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{12} &= -a_{2k}(1u1) \cdot 2u + \frac{u}{|u|} \cdot a_{2k-1}(1u1) \\ &= -\frac{u}{|u|} \left[ 2|u| a_{2k}(1u1) - a_{2k-1}(1u1) \right] \\ &= -\frac{u}{|u|} \cdot a_{2k+1}(1u1) \quad (\text{by } \textcircled{3}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{21} &= \frac{u^*}{|u|} a_{2k-1}(1u1)(4|u|^2-1) + a_{2k-2}(1u1) \cdot 2u^* \\ &= \frac{u^*}{|u|} \left[ a_{2k-1}(1u1)(4|u|^2-1) + 2|u| \cdot a_{2k-2}(1u1) \right] \\ &= \frac{u^*}{|u|} \cdot a_{2k+1}(1u1) \quad (\text{by } \textcircled{5}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_{22} &= -\frac{u^*}{|u|} \cdot u_{2k-1}(|u|) \cdot 2u + u_{2k-2}(|u|) \\
 &= -2|u| u_{2k-1}(|u|) + u_{2k-2}(|u|) \\
 &= -\left[ u_{2k-1}(|u|) \cdot 2|u| - u_{2k-2}(|u|) \right] \\
 &= -u_{2k}(|u|) \quad (\text{by } \textcircled{3}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence:

$$Q^{k+1} = (-1)^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} u_{2k+2}(|u|) & -\frac{u}{|u|} \cdot u_{2k+1}(|u|) \\ \frac{u^*}{|u|} \cdot u_{2k+1}(|u|) & -u_{2k}(|u|) \end{pmatrix}$$

which has the same form as  $Q^k$  except that  $k$  is replaced by  $k+1$ . Thus the result is true for  $k+1$  also. Hence by the principle of Mathematical Induction, the result is true for all  $k \geq 1$ .

[QED]



Book - Quantum Walks & Search Algorithms

Author - Renato Portugal

Exercise - 6.1 & 6.3

Chapter - Coined Walks with Cyclic Boundary Conditions

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Problem 1: The Fourier Transform of the spatial part of the computational basis is:

$$|\tilde{k}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{jk} |j\rangle$$

where  $\omega_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$  and the range of  $k$  is the same as  $j$ .

Show the following properties of the Fourier Transform:

(i)  $\{|\tilde{k}\rangle : 0 \leq k \leq N-1\}$  is an orthonormal basis of the Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}^N$ .

$$(ii) |0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |\tilde{k}\rangle$$

$$(iii) |j\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{-jk} |\tilde{k}\rangle$$

Proof:

(i) let  $0 \leq k_1, k_2 \leq N-1$ .

$$|\tilde{k}_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} w_N^{jk_2} |j\rangle$$

$$\langle \tilde{k}_1 | = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} w_N^{*jk_1} \langle j|$$

where  $w_N^* = e^{-2\pi i/N} = \frac{1}{w_N}$ .

(the conjugate of  $w_N$ ).

$$\Rightarrow \langle \tilde{k}_1 | \tilde{k}_2 \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j_1=0}^{N-1} \sum_{j_2=0}^{N-1} w_N^{*jk_1} w_N^{jk_2} \langle j_1 | j_2 \rangle$$

Note that  $\langle j_1 | = (0, \dots, 0, \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ j_1\text{-th position}}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$

and  $|j_2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow j_2\text{th position.}$

$$\Rightarrow \langle j_1 | j_2 \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j_1 = j_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } j_1 \neq j_2. \end{cases}$$



$$\text{so } \langle \tilde{k}_1 | \tilde{k}_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{jk_1} \cdot \omega_N^{jk_2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{j(k_2 - k_1)}$$

Now note that  $0 \leq k_2 - k_1 \leq N-1$ .

If  $k_2 = k_1$  then we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \tilde{k}_1 | \tilde{k}_2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \cdot N = 1. \end{aligned}$$

If  $k_2 \neq k_1$  then ~~since~~  $0 \leq k_2 - k_1 \leq N-1$ .

Claim: After division by  $N$ , the remainders of the numbers is  $\{0, (k_2 - k_1), \dots, (N-1)(k_2 - k_1)\}$  is the same as  $\{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$  in some order.

$$\text{let } j_1 k \equiv j_2 k \pmod{N} \quad (k = k_2 - k_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (j_1 - j_2) k \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow j_1 - j_2 \equiv 0 \pmod{N} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \because k \neq 0 \\ k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{N} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow j_1 = j_2 \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \because j_1 - j_2 \leq N-1 \end{array} \right)$$



So remainders of the  $N$  numbers  
 $0, 1 \cdot (k_2 - k_1), \dots, (N-1)(k_2 - k_1)$   
upon division by  $N$  are distinct.

$\Rightarrow$  they have to be  $0, 1, \dots, N-1$   
in some order.

$\Rightarrow$  If  $k_2 \neq k_1$ , then,

$$\langle \tilde{k}_1 | \tilde{k}_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} w_N^j (k_2 - k_1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} w_N^j = \frac{1}{N} (1 + w_N + \dots + w_N^{N-1})$$

Now note that  $w_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$

$$\Rightarrow w_N^N = \cos(2\pi) + i \sin(2\pi) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow w_N^N - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (w_N - 1)(1 + w_N + \dots + w_N^{N-1}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + w_N + \dots + w_N^{N-1} = 0 \quad (\because w_N \neq 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \tilde{k}_1 | \tilde{k}_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \tilde{k}_1 | \tilde{k}_2 \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k_1 = k_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } k_1 \neq k_2 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \{|\tilde{k}\rangle : 0 \leq k \leq N-1\}$  is an orthonormal basis of the Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}^N$ .  
 This completes the proof of (i).

$$(ii) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} |\tilde{k}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{jk} |j\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |\tilde{k}\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{jk} |j\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{jk} \right] |j\rangle$$

(interchanging the summands of  $j$  &  $k$ )

Now note that,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{jk} = \begin{cases} N & j=0 \\ 1 + \omega_N^j + \omega_N^{2j} + \dots + \omega_N^{(N-1)j} & j \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} N & j=0 \\ 0 & j \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |\tilde{k}\rangle = \frac{1}{N} \cdot N |0\rangle + \underbrace{(0 + \dots + 0)}_{N-1 \text{ times}}$$

$$= |0\rangle \quad (\text{as required})$$



$$(iii) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{-jk} |\tilde{k}\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{-jk} \sum_{j'=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{j'k} |j'\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j'=0}^{N-1} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{(j'-j)k} \right) |j'\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j'=0}^{N-1} \text{inner summand, is}$$

$$\left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{(j'-j)k} \right) = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } j' = j \\ 0 & \text{if } j' \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \omega_N^{-jk} |\tilde{k}\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j'=0}^{N-1} \begin{cases} N & \text{if } j' = j \\ 0 & \text{if } j' \neq j \end{cases} |j'\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \cdot N \cdot |j\rangle + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j' \neq j} 0 \cdot |j'\rangle$$

$$= |j\rangle \quad (\text{as required})$$



Next we look at  $|\psi_2\rangle$ .

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ac \\ ad \\ bc \\ bd \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} ac = \frac{1}{2} & \text{and} & ad = \frac{1}{2} \\ bc = \frac{1}{2} & \text{and} & bd = -\frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{--- (i)} \\ \text{--- (ii)} \end{matrix}$$

From (i) we obtain by multiplication

$$(ac)(ad) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2(cd) = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow cd = \frac{1}{4a^2} > 0 \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

From (ii) we obtain

$$(bc)(bd) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2(cd) = -\frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow cd = -\frac{1}{4b^2} < 0 \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

$$(iii) \Rightarrow cd > 0$$

$$\text{and } (iv) \Rightarrow cd < 0$$

clearly  $cd$  cannot be both  $> 0$  and  $< 0$  at the same time.

So this contradiction suggests that no solution for  $a, b, c, d$  exists

$\Rightarrow |\psi_2\rangle$  is ~~cannot~~ be factored.

$\Rightarrow |\psi_2\rangle$  is entangled.

A correction:

$a, b, c, d$  are in general complex numbers. But in the above argument we assumed that  $a, b, c, d$  are real numbers. The the argument is not valid.  
I now present the correct proof.

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} ac \\ ad \\ bc \\ bd \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$  (set of complex numbers)

So let  $a = a_1 + i a_2$

$$b = b_1 + i b_2$$

$$c = c_1 + i c_2$$

$$d = d_1 + i d_2$$

where  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$



Since  $ac = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $ad = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $bc = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $bd = -\frac{1}{2}$

we get after multiplication:

$$\begin{array}{l|l} a_1 c_2 + a_2 c_1 = 0 & a_1 c_1 - a_2 c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \\ a_1 d_2 + a_2 d_1 = 0 & a_1 d_1 - a_2 d_2 = \frac{1}{2} \\ b_1 c_2 + b_2 c_1 = 0 & b_1 c_1 - b_2 c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \\ b_1 d_2 + b_2 d_1 = 0 & b_1 d_1 - b_2 d_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

imaginary parts                      real parts

$a_1 c_2 + a_2 c_1 = 0$  &  $a_1 c_1 - a_2 c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$   
together imply that

$$c_1 = \frac{a_1}{2(a_1^2 + a_2^2)} \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$a_1 d_2 + a_2 d_1 = 0$  &  $a_1 d_1 - a_2 d_2 = \frac{1}{2}$   
together imply that

$$d_1 = \frac{a_1}{2(a_1^2 + a_2^2)} \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Similarly,

$$b_1 c_2 + b_2 c_1 = 0 \quad \& \quad b_1 c_1 - b_2 c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

together imply that

$$c_1 = \frac{b_1}{2(b_1^2 + b_2^2)} \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

and  $b_1 d_2 + b_2 d_1 = 0 \quad \& \quad b_1 d_1 - b_2 d_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$

together imply that

$$d_1 = -\frac{b_1}{2(b_1^2 + b_2^2)} \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

From (i) & (iii), we have,

$$c_1 = \frac{a_1}{2(a_1^2 + a_2^2)} = \frac{b_1}{2(b_1^2 + b_2^2)} \quad \text{--- (v)}$$

$$a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow a_1^2 + a_2^2 > 0$$

and  $b_1^2 + b_2^2 > 0$

$$\Rightarrow \text{either } a_1 \geq 0 \quad \& \quad b_1 \geq 0$$

or  $a_1 \leq 0 \quad \& \quad b_1 \leq 0$ .

From (ii) & (iv) we have

$$d_1 = \frac{a_1}{2(a_1^2 + a_2^2)} = -\frac{b_1}{2(b_1^2 + b_2^2)} \quad \text{--- (vi)}$$



$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{either } a_1 \geq 0 \text{ \& } b_1 \leq 0 \\ \text{or } a_1 \leq 0 \text{ \& } b_1 \geq 0 \end{array}$$

(v) \& (vi) are compatible if and only if

$$a_1 = b_1 = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = d_1 = 0.$$

Now our "real parts" equations become reduced to:

$$a_2 c_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ \& } a_2 d_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{--- (vii)}$$

$$\text{\& } b_2 c_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ \& } b_2 d_2 = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{--- (viii)}$$

Multiplying equation in (vii) we get

$$a_2^2 (c_2 d_2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2 d_2 = \frac{1}{4a_2^2} > 0 \quad \left( \because \begin{array}{l} c_2, d_2 \\ a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right)$$

From (viii) we get

$$b_2^2 (c_2 d_2) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2 d_2 = -\frac{1}{4b_2^2} < 0 \quad \left( \because \begin{array}{l} b_2 \in \mathbb{R} \\ b_2 \neq 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Since  $c_2 d_2$  cannot be both  $> 0$  \&  $< 0$ , we get a contradiction.

$\Rightarrow a_2, b_2, c_2, d_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  do not exist.  
So  $|\psi_2\rangle$  is entangled.



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Exercise - 10.10

Problem. The goal of this exercise is to find a 5-dimensional matrix associated with  $U_\alpha$ .  
Use Eqn. (10.2) to show that

$$\langle \alpha s | \eta_\ell \rangle = \frac{c_\ell}{\sqrt{|\eta_\ell|} \cdot \sqrt{N-r}}$$

where,  $c_0 = (N-r) \delta_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=2}$

$$c_1 = (N-r-2) \delta_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=0}$$

$$c_2 = 2 \delta_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=0}$$

$$c_3 = (N-r-1) \cdot \delta_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=1}$$

$$c_4 = \delta_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=1}$$

Show that

$$\sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=0}} |\alpha s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} (\sqrt{|\eta_1|} \cdot |\eta_1\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_2|} \cdot |\eta_2\rangle)$$

and find similar equations for when  
 $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 1$  and  $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 2$ .

Use the above equations and Eqn. (10.3) to  
 find the entries  $(u_\alpha)_{kj}$  of

$$U_\alpha |\eta_\ell\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^4 (u_\alpha)_{kj} |\eta_k\rangle$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} |\eta_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|}} \sum_{(s', y') \in \eta_0} |s', y'\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|}} \sum_{(s, y') \in \eta_0} |s, y'\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|}} \sum_{(s'', y') \in \eta_0} |s'', y'\rangle \end{aligned}$$

when we take the inner product of  
 $\langle \alpha_s |$  with  $|\eta_\ell\rangle$  only the first term in  
 the above is relevant, because it is related  
 to the set  $S$ .

By definition,  $|\alpha_s\rangle$  is:

$$|\alpha_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-r}} \sum_{y \in [n] \setminus s} |s, y\rangle$$



Therefore on taking the inner products we have,  
(note that  $S$  is a fixed set in  $S_r$ )

$$\langle \alpha_S | \eta_0 \rangle$$

$$\langle \alpha_S | \eta_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \cdot \chi$$

$$\sum_{(S, y') \in \eta_0} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y, S | S, y' \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|} \sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{(S, y') \in \eta_0} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y | y' \rangle \langle S | S \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|} \sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{(S, y') \in \eta_0} \left[ \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y | y' \rangle \right]$$

$$\left( \begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{smallmatrix} \right) \langle S | S \rangle = 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|} \sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{y' \in [N] \setminus S} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y | y' \rangle$$

$\left( \begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{smallmatrix} \right) (S, y') \in \eta_0 \Rightarrow S$  has exactly 2 marked elements and  $y'$  is free to vary over the set  $[N] \setminus S$ .



$$\Rightarrow C_0 = \sum_{y' \in [N] \setminus S} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y | y' \rangle$$

$$= (N-r).$$

under the assumption that  $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 2$   
 if on the other hand,  $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| \neq 2$

then  $C_0 = 0$ .

Thus we get  $C_0 = \delta_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}|=2}$ .

Hence,

$$\langle \alpha_S | \eta_0 \rangle = \frac{C_0}{\sqrt{|\eta_0|} \cdot \sqrt{N-r}} \text{ as desired.}$$

Next we consider  $\langle \alpha_S | \eta_1 \rangle$ .

$$\langle \alpha_S | \eta_1 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_1|}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \times$$

$$\sum_{(s, y') \in \eta_1} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y | y' \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\eta_1|} \sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{\substack{y' \in [N] \setminus S \\ y' \neq i_2}} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} \langle y | y' \rangle$$

Note that the outer sum is over the range,

$$y' \in [N] \setminus (S \cup \{i, i_2\}).$$

because by definition,

$\eta_1 =$  set of vertices  $(S, y)$  such that  $S$  has no marked element and  $y$  is not a marked index.

$$\Rightarrow y' \notin S \text{ \& } y' \notin \{i, i_2\}$$

$$\Rightarrow y' \notin S \cup \{i, i_2\}.$$

For illustration suppose we arrange the sum in the form of rows & columns.  
letting  $\{y_1, \dots, y_{N-r}\}$  be the set  $[N] \setminus S$ :

$$\langle y_1 | y_1 \rangle + \dots + \langle y_{N-r} | y_1 \rangle \longrightarrow 1$$

$$\langle y_1 | y_2 \rangle + \dots + \langle y_{N-r} | y_2 \rangle \longrightarrow 1$$

$$\dots + \langle y_{N-r} | y_{N-r} \rangle \longrightarrow 1$$

There will be only  $(N-r-2)$  rows because rows corresponding to  $y' \in \{i, i_2\}$  will be missing and will not appear.

Each row contributes 1 to the sum.  
And since there are  $(N-r-2)$  rows.

so we get

$$C_1 = (N-r-2)$$

under the assumption that  $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 0$   
otherwise  $C_1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = \sum |S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \alpha_S | \eta_1 \rangle = \frac{C_1}{\sqrt{|\eta_1|} \cdot \sqrt{N-r}}$$

as desired.

By similar reasoning we can also obtain  
the answers for,

$$\langle \alpha_S | \eta_2 \rangle, \quad \langle \alpha_S | \eta_3 \rangle \text{ and } \langle \alpha_S | \eta_4 \rangle.$$

↓  
only 2 rows  
contribution to  
sum is 2

↓  
only  $(N-r-1)$  rows  
contribution to sum  
is  $(N-r-1)$ .

↓  
only 1 row  
contribution  
to sum is 1



we move on to the second part of the problem.

$$\sum_{s \in S_r} |\alpha_s\rangle = 0$$

$$|S \cap \{i_1, i_2\}| = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S \cap \{i_1, i_2\}| = 0}} \sum_{y \in [N] \setminus S} |s, y\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S \cap \{i_1, i_2\}| = 0}} \sum_{\substack{y \in [N] \setminus S \\ y \notin \{i_1, i_2\}}} |s, y\rangle$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S \cap \{i_1, i_2\}| = 0}} \sum_{\substack{y \in [N] \setminus S \\ y \in \{y_1, y_2\}}} |s, y\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \left( \sqrt{|\eta_1|} \cdot \sum_{(s,y) \in \eta_1} |s, y\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_2|} \cdot \sum_{(s,y) \in \eta_2} |s, y\rangle \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \left( \sqrt{|\eta_1|} \cdot |\eta_1\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_2|} \cdot |\eta_2\rangle \right)$$

as desired.

Similarly we can get for answers for  
 $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 1$  and  $|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 2$ .  
 The answers will be naturally,

$$\sum_{\substack{S \in S_r \\ |S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 1}} |\alpha_S\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} (\sqrt{|\eta_3|} \cdot |\eta_3\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_4|} \cdot |\eta_4\rangle)$$

and,

$$\sum_{|S \cap \{i, i_2\}| = 2} |\alpha_S\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} (\sqrt{|\eta_0|} \cdot |\eta_0\rangle)$$

Next we move to the 3rd part of the problem

$$V_\alpha = 2 \sum_{S \in S_r} |\alpha_S\rangle \langle \alpha_S| - I$$

$$\Rightarrow V_\alpha |\eta_e\rangle = 2 \sum_{S \in S_r} \langle \alpha_S | \eta_e \rangle |\alpha_S\rangle - |\eta_e\rangle$$

$$= 2 \sum_{S \in S_r} \langle \alpha_S | \eta_e \rangle |\alpha_S\rangle - |\eta_e\rangle$$

$$= \frac{2c_e}{\sqrt{|n_e|} \cdot \sqrt{N-r}} \left[ \sum_{s \in S_r} |\alpha_s\rangle \right] - |\eta_e\rangle$$

$$= \frac{2c_e}{\sqrt{|n_e|} \cdot \sqrt{N-r}} \times \left[ \sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S_n\{i, i_2\}|=0}} |\alpha_s\rangle + \right.$$

$$\left. \sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S_n\{i, i_2\}|=1}} |\alpha_s\rangle + \sum_{\substack{s \in S_r \\ |S_n\{i, i_2\}|=2}} |\alpha_s\rangle \right] - |\eta_e\rangle$$

Now we know the expressions for each of the 3 terms inside the square bracket and so by the second part of the problem. we substitute those expressions and consider

$$U_\alpha |\eta_0\rangle = \frac{2c_0}{\sqrt{|n_0|} \cdot \sqrt{N-r}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}}$$

$$\left[ \sqrt{|n_1|} |\eta_1\rangle + \sqrt{|n_2|} |\eta_2\rangle + \sqrt{|n_3|} |\eta_3\rangle + \sqrt{|n_4|} |\eta_4\rangle + \sqrt{|n_0|} |\eta_0\rangle \right] - |\eta_0\rangle$$



The first 4 terms inside the square bracket evaluate to 0. because, their sum is zero and the range,  $(S, y) \notin \eta_0$ .

Hence,

$$U_\alpha |\eta_0\rangle = \left( \frac{2C_0}{(N-v)} - 1 \right) = 1$$

$$(C_0 = 1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad (S, y) \in \eta_0).$$

Thus,

$$U_\alpha |\eta_0\rangle = 1 \cdot |\eta_0\rangle + 0 \cdot |\eta_1\rangle + 0 \cdot |\eta_2\rangle + 0 \cdot |\eta_3\rangle + 0 \cdot |\eta_4\rangle.$$

$\Rightarrow$  the first row of the 5-dimensional matrix is  $(1, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ .

Next

$$U_\alpha |\eta_1\rangle = \frac{2C_1}{(N-v)\sqrt{|\eta_1|}} \times$$

$$\left[ \sqrt{|\eta_1|} |\eta_1\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_2|} |\eta_2\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_3|} |\eta_3\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_4|} |\eta_4\rangle + \sqrt{|\eta_0|} |\eta_0\rangle \right] - |\eta_1\rangle$$

only the terms corresponding to  $|\eta_1\rangle$  and  $|\eta_2\rangle$  are non-zero. Rest all are zero.

$$(0, 0, \dots, (c, y) \neq \eta_1).$$

$$(0, 0, \dots, |S \cap \{i_1, i_2\}| = 1).$$

$$\Rightarrow U_\alpha |\eta_1\rangle = \left( \frac{2c_1}{N-r} - 1 \right) |\eta_1\rangle + \frac{2c_1}{N-r} \sqrt{\frac{|\eta_2|}{|\eta_1|}} |\eta_2\rangle$$

Let  $N-r = a$ . Then,  $c_1 = N-r-2 = a-2$

$$\frac{2c_1}{N-r} - 1 = \frac{2(a-2)}{a} - 1 = \frac{a-4}{a}$$

$$\text{and, } \frac{2c_1}{N-r} \sqrt{\frac{|\eta_2|}{|\eta_1|}} = \frac{2(a-2)}{a} \sqrt{\frac{2(N-2)}{(N-2)(N-r-2)}}$$

$$= \frac{2(a-2)}{a} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a-2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{a-2}}{a}$$

$\Rightarrow$  second row of the 5-dimensional matrix is  $(0, \frac{a-4}{a}, \frac{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{a-2}}{a}, 0, 0)$

$$U_\alpha |n_2\rangle = \left( \frac{2C_1}{N-\nu} - 1 \right) |n_2\rangle +$$

By similar reasoning we can find the rest of the rows also.

(skipping the tedious calculations to make the keep the document short)

Finally we get the 5-dimensional matrix

$$U_\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{a-4}{a} & \frac{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{a-2}}{a} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{a-2}}{a} & \frac{4-a}{a} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{a-2}{a} & \frac{2\sqrt{a-1}}{a} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2\sqrt{a-1}}{a} & \frac{2-a}{a} \end{bmatrix}$$

[ The matrix matches with the answer given in the book and is correct.

This completes the solution to the problem.