CS 880: Quantum Algorithm Homework NUM: 1

Exercise 1

Consider a system with m=1. Determine the output distributions of each of the following processes:

- 1. Start in state $|0\rangle$ and apply H, apply again, and measure.
- 2. Start in state $|0\rangle$ and apply H, measure, apply H, and measure.

Solution

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

1.

$$S_0 = HH|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2)

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

(4)

2.

$$S_0 = H|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{5}$$

$$=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix}1\\1\end{pmatrix}\tag{6}$$

(7)

If the state collapse, it will be a probability distributions of $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$.

$$P(|0\rangle) = \frac{1}{2} \tag{8}$$

$$P(|1\rangle) = \frac{1}{2} \tag{9}$$

(10)

Then if we apply the H again, we will get a similar equal probability distributions for each state we observes.