

Quantum Computing for the very curious, summary

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In this document I am wrapping up the Strangeworks' paced repetition document named 'Quantum computing for the very curious'

1 Matrix fundamentals relating to base states

Dirac notation

$$|0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = e_0, |1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = e_1, \langle 0| = [1 \ 0], \langle 1| = [0 \ 1]$$

$$|\psi\rangle^\dagger = \langle\psi|$$

Matrix addition

$$\frac{1+i}{2}|0\rangle + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+i}{2} \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Unitarity

$$U^\dagger U = I, \quad U^\dagger = (U^T)^*, \quad \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} a^* & c^* \\ d^* & b^* \end{bmatrix}, \quad I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Tensor product

$$|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ 0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2 Gates

2.1 Pauli gates: X(/NOT), Y and Z

$$NOT|0\rangle = |1\rangle, \quad NOT|1\rangle = |0\rangle, \quad NOT(\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
X &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
XX|\psi\rangle &= \psi \\
Y &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, Y|0\rangle = i|1\rangle, Y|1\rangle = -i|0\rangle \\
Z &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, Z|0\rangle = |0\rangle, Z|1\rangle = -|1\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

2.2 Hadamard Gate

$$\begin{aligned}
H|0\rangle &= \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \\
H|1\rangle &= \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \\
H(\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) &= \alpha \left(\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \beta \left(\frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\sqrt{2}}|0\rangle + \frac{\alpha - \beta}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle \\
H &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, H = H^\dagger, HH = HH^\dagger = I \\
\Rightarrow HH|0\rangle &= |0\rangle, HH|1\rangle = |1\rangle, HH|\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

Applying Hadamard to a qubit in Hadamard state, gives back the basis state Hadamard was originally applied to

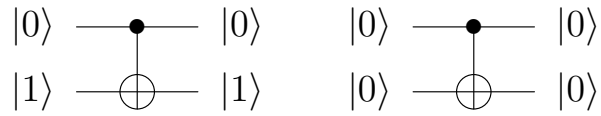
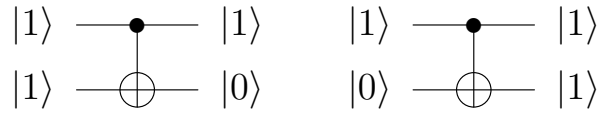
$$\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \xrightarrow{H} \boxed{\text{M}} = |0\rangle$$

$$\frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \xrightarrow{H} \boxed{\text{M}} = |1\rangle$$

Two-qubit state is given by the tensor product, i.e. for below two qubit Hadamard system

$$|H|0\rangle|H|1\rangle\rangle = H|0\rangle \otimes H|1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} * -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} * -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

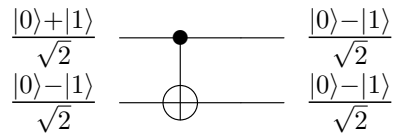
2.3 CNOT Gate



In general superposition, doesn't seem to modify control bit

$$\alpha |00\rangle + \beta |01\rangle + \gamma |10\rangle + \delta |11\rangle \rightarrow \alpha |00\rangle + \beta |01\rangle + \gamma |11\rangle + \delta |10\rangle$$

But in this specific Hadamard case, seemingly does it



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2.4 Rotation

$$R_y(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta/2) & -\sin(\theta/2) \\ \sin(\theta/2) & \cos(\theta/2) \end{bmatrix}$$