

## QUANTUM INFORMATION

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- (0) The Toffoli gate  $T : (a, b, c) \mapsto (a, b, c \oplus ab)$  is said to be able to *copy states*, i.e.  $T : (a, 1, 0) \mapsto (a, 1, a)$ . However, the so-called *no-cloning theorem* states that no unitary operator  $U$  acting on, say,  $\mathbb{H}^n \otimes \mathbb{H}$ , can implement the mapping  $|\varphi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \mapsto |\varphi\rangle \otimes |\varphi\rangle$ . Resolve the apparent contradiction.
- (1) The natural analogy of states  $|+\rangle$  and  $|-\rangle$  in a 2-qubit system are the so-called *Bell's states* defined as

$$|\beta_{xy}\rangle = \frac{|0y\rangle + (-1)^x |1\bar{y}\rangle}{\sqrt{2}},$$

where  $x, y$  are 0, 1 and  $\bar{y}$  denotes  $1 - y$ .

Show that the vectors  $|\beta_{00}\rangle, |\beta_{01}\rangle, |\beta_{10}\rangle, |\beta_{11}\rangle$  form an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{H}^2$ . Express the circuit realizing  $|xy\rangle \mapsto |\beta_{xy}\rangle$  as a composition of the single-qubit Hadamard operator  $H$  and the CNOT gate.

- (2) (Quantum teleportation) Contrary to the no-cloning theorem, it is possible to *teleport* quantum states using only a classical communication channel. However, the teleported qubit is destroyed for its original owner, so the no-cloning theorem is not violated.

The process can be described as follows. Two parties (Alice and Bob) first create the entangled state  $|\beta_{00}\rangle$  (prove that this state is, indeed, entangled) and share it with each other. This formally means that Alice is able to measure  $|\beta_{00}\rangle$  (and any other state of the two-qubit system) *the first qubit*, i.e. her measurement has the form  $m_1 P_1 + m_2 P_2$ , where  $P_1$  is a projection operator onto the subspace generated by  $|00\rangle$  and  $|01\rangle$ , and  $P_2$  is a projection onto the subspace generated by  $|10\rangle$  and  $|11\rangle$ . Similarly, Bob is able to measure the second qubit.

Alice is then given some arbitrary single-qubit state  $|\varphi\rangle$ , which she wants to teleport to Bob. She performs a CNOT operation on her pair of qubits (formally, she implements the mapping  $\text{CNOT} \otimes id$  applied to  $|\varphi\rangle \otimes |\beta_{00}\rangle$ ) followed by the Hadamard operator applied to the first qubit (again, we formally mean the operator  $H \otimes id \otimes id$ ).

Finally, she measures both of her qubits separately and sends the results of her measurements via some classical communication channel to Bob. Depending upon the received data, Bob applies Pauli matrices  $Z$  and/or  $X$  to his single qubit. Recall that  $X$  maps  $|0\rangle \mapsto |1\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle \mapsto |0\rangle$  and  $Z$  maps  $|0\rangle \mapsto |0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle \mapsto -|1\rangle$ .

Finish the description of the protocol, draw its diagram, and verify that  $|\varphi\rangle$  is indeed teleported to Bob and destroyed for Alice.

- (3) Verify that applying

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$$

to the first qubit in a 2-qubit system is equivalent to the controlled application of

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$$

to the second qubit.

Verify the correctness of the circuit that realizes the controlled application of a single-qubit operator  $U$  using the  $ABC$  decomposition of  $U$  discussed in the lecture.

- (4) Compute square roots of Pauli matrices  $X, Y, Z$  and the Hadamard matrix  $H$ .
- (5) Express the operator acting on a 4-qubit system, which is described as the application of the Hadamard  $H$  gate to the fourth qubit controlled by the parity of the first three qubits, as a combination of Toffoli gates and single-controlled single-qubit operators.
- (6) Express the two-level operator  $M$  defined as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & c & 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$$

as a composition of controlled single-qubit operators.

Express an arbitrary two-level operator acting non-identically on  $|0000\rangle$  and  $|1111\rangle$  as a composition of controlled single-qubit operators.

- (7) Decompose the matrix

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

into the composition of two-level operators.