

Quantum Information Theory

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Sheet 8

1 Period Finding [10P]

One important application of the QFT is in Shor's factorization algorithm. Assume a system consisting of two 3-qubit systems which are an input register ($|\text{In}\rangle$) and an output register ($|\text{Out}\rangle$). The computational basis of each 3-qubit system is the orthogonal basis $\{|0\rangle \equiv |000\rangle, |1\rangle \equiv |001\rangle, \dots, |7\rangle \equiv |111\rangle\}$.

- (a) Let the initial input register be

$$|\text{In}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \sum_{x=0}^7 |x\rangle. \quad (1)$$

Following the lecture, we apply now U_f on the total initial state,

$$|\psi\rangle = U_f \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \sum_{x=0}^7 |x\rangle |0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \sum_{x=0}^7 |x, f(x)\rangle, \quad (2)$$

with $f(x)$ a periodic, non-constant function satisfying $f(x+2) = f(x)$. Show that if we measure the first register after we applied the QFT to it, we are left with only two distinct results. This is a direct consequence of the periodicity.

- (b) Now, we generalize the above result to a system with each register being an N -qubit system and $f(x)$ having a period of P . Further, assume we apply the procedure corresponding to (a). Let the outcome of a measurement of the first register after this procedure be ξ . Show that

$$\xi \in \left\{ 0, \frac{1 \cdot 2^N}{P}, \frac{2 \cdot 2^N}{P}, \dots, \frac{(P-1) \cdot 2^N}{P} \right\} \quad \text{with} \quad 2^N/P \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3)$$

Hint: Say you have an arbitrary function $g(x)$ and you want to calculate $\sum_x g(x)$. How to rewrite this sum into two sums $\sum_{l,k} g(kP+l)$? Apply this separation to use the periodicity to simplify the expression.

2 Factorization Algorithm [6P]

In the lecture a prime factoring algorithm has been presented. Apply this algorithm to $N = 35$. To simplify it: Choose in the first step a random m where the order is less than 10.

3 RSA Cryptosystem [5P]

Show in this mini-example how the RSA cryptosystem works by encrypting the message "13" with $N = pq = 15$ and the random number $e = 3$ and decoding it again.

4 Josephson Junction [12P]

One possible building block for the realization of quantum computers are Josephson junctions. Here, we would like to derive the Hamiltonian describing the Josephson junction starting with the Josephson equations

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = -I_{\text{ext}} + I_c \sin(\phi) , \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = -\frac{2e}{\hbar} V , \quad (5)$$

where $Q = -2eN = CV$, $-e$ the electron charge, $\phi = \theta_1 - \theta_2$ the difference in the phases of the order parameters, N the number of Cooper pairs, I_c the critical current and I_{ext} the external current.

- (a) Write down the Euler-Lagrange equation which follows from the Josephson equations and deduce the Lagrangian L . *Hint: Recall that the electrostatic energy is given by $CV^2/2$.*
- (b) Write down the classical Hamiltonian function. What is the meaning of the conjugate momentum π to ϕ ?
- (c) By imposing the canonical commutation relation $[\pi, \phi] = \hbar/i$ show that we end up with the Hamiltonian

$$H = -\frac{E_C}{2} \frac{d^2}{d\phi^2} - E_J \cos(\phi) - E_J \frac{I_{\text{ext}}}{I_c} \phi . \quad (6)$$

- (d) What are the general solutions of Eq. (6) if $I_{\text{ext}} = 0$?
