Solutions to problem set 12

12.1 Quantum gates for teleportation

a) We have to calculate the action of each gate on the state. The initial state is

$$|\psi_0\rangle = (c_0|0\rangle + c_1|1\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = c_0|000\rangle + c_1|100\rangle$$

We write H^i for the Hadamard gate on qubit *i*, and C_{NOT}^{ij} for the CNOT gate with *i* as control bit and *j* as target bit. After each gate we then get

$$\begin{split} |\psi_1\rangle &= H^b |\psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big[c_0 |000\rangle + c_0 |010\rangle + c_1 |100\rangle + c_1 |110\rangle \Big] \\ |\psi_2\rangle &= C_{NOT}^{bc} |\psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big[c_0 |000\rangle + c_0 |011\rangle + c_1 |100\rangle + c_1 |111\rangle \Big] \\ |\psi_3\rangle &= C_{NOT}^{ab} |\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big[c_0 |000\rangle + c_0 |011\rangle + c_1 |110\rangle + c_1 |101\rangle \Big] \end{split}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_4\rangle &= H^a |\psi_3\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \Big[c_0 |000\rangle + c_0 |100\rangle + c_0 |011\rangle + c_0 |111\rangle \\ &+ c_1 |010\rangle - c_1 |110\rangle + c_1 |001\rangle - c_1 |101\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_5\rangle &= C_{NOT}^{bc} |\psi_4\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \Big[c_0 |000\rangle + c_0 |100\rangle + c_0 |010\rangle + c_0 |110\rangle \\ &+ c_1 |011\rangle - c_1 |111\rangle + c_1 |001\rangle - c_1 |101\rangle \Big] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_6\rangle &= H^c |\psi_5\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Big[(c_0 + c_1)|000\rangle + (c_0 - c_1)|001\rangle + (c_0 - c_1)|100\rangle + (c_0 + c_1)|101\rangle \\ &+ (c_0 + c_1)|010\rangle + (c_0 - c_1)|011\rangle + (c_0 - c_1)|110\rangle + (c_0 + c_1)|111\rangle \Big] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_7\rangle &= C_{NOT}^{ac} |\psi_6\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Big[(c_0 + c_1) |000\rangle + (c_0 - c_1) |001\rangle + (c_0 - c_1) |101\rangle + (c_0 + c_1) |100\rangle \\ &+ (c_0 + c_1) |010\rangle + (c_0 - c_1) |011\rangle + (c_0 - c_1) |111\rangle + (c_0 + c_1) |110\rangle \Big] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_8\rangle &= H^c |\psi_7\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \Big[c_0 |000\rangle + c_1 |001\rangle + c_0 |100\rangle + c_1 |101\rangle \\ &+ c_0 |010\rangle + c_1 |011\rangle + c_0 |110\rangle + c_1 |111\rangle \Big] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \otimes (c_0 |0\rangle + c_1 |1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

b) Measuring qubits a and b at the dashed line collapses the wavefunction at that point. But since a and b only acts as control bits for the last four gates, their states do not change. Then the state will be the same as if we measure a and b on the final state $|\psi_8\rangle$ instead. The only difference is that now the CNOT gates will not be nonlocal two-qubit gates, but rather local one-qubit gates on qubit c conditioned on the measurement outcomes for a and b. This has to be transmitted from a and b to c as in the usual teleportation protocol. Then we still get $|c'\rangle = |a\rangle$ at the end. and only need local operations after the dashed line.

12.2 Quantum cloning of orthogonal states

a) Assume first that $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle$ and $|\phi\rangle = |1\rangle$. Then we can check that a single CNOT gate gives the desired result (upper line is the original, lower line is the copy)



Since $|\psi\rangle$ and $|\phi\rangle$ are orthogonal, there exist a unitary transformation U such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle &= U|0\rangle \\ |\phi\rangle &= U|1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

The inverse of this transforms $|\psi\rangle$ and $|\phi\rangle$ to $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$, and we can then use the CNOT as above and transform the result back, giving the final circuit



b) Here we can use the simple circuit with a single CNOT gate. The input is (qubits are written from top down)

$$|\psi_0
angle = rac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00
angle + |10
angle)$$

giving the final state

$$|\psi_1\rangle = C_{NOT}|\psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \neq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$$

12.3 Quantum circuit for controlled *R_k*

a) We define $\phi = 2\pi/2^k$ and get

$$\begin{split} |\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle &= (a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle) \otimes (b_0|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle) \\ \stackrel{R_{k+1}}{\to} (a_0|0\rangle + a_1e^{i\phi/2}|1\rangle) \otimes (b_0|0\rangle + b_1e^{i\phi/2}|1\rangle) \\ \stackrel{CNOT}{\to} a_0|0\rangle \otimes (b_0|0\rangle + b_1e^{i\phi/2}|1\rangle) + a_1e^{i\phi/2}|1\rangle \otimes (b_0|1\rangle + b_1e^{i\phi/2}|0\rangle) \\ \stackrel{R_{k+1}^{\dagger}}{\to} a_0|0\rangle \otimes (b_0|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle) + a_1e^{i\phi/2}|1\rangle \otimes (b_0e^{-i\phi/2}|1\rangle + b_1e^{i\phi/2}|0\rangle) \\ \stackrel{CNOT}{\to} a_0|0\rangle \otimes (b_0|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle) + a_1|1\rangle \otimes (b_0|0\rangle + b_1e^{i\phi}|1\rangle) \\ &= a_0|0\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle + a_1|1\rangle \otimes R_k|\psi_2\rangle \end{split}$$

This is the controlled R_k operation.

b) Let $U|\psi\rangle = e^{i\phi}|\psi\rangle$. The situation is described by this circuit

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{i\phi}|1\rangle)$$
$$|\psi\rangle - U - |\psi\rangle$$

The evolution of the state is

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle & \stackrel{\text{control}-U}{\to} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes U|\psi\rangle) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{i\phi}|1\rangle) \otimes \psi. \end{split}$$

c) Since multiplying by a phase factor does not change a quantum state, U does not really change the state of the target if the initial state is an eigenstate. However, the relative phase between two states does make a physical difference. Therefore, when the control is in a superposition, there is a phase difference between the two states after the control-U operation. Since the state of the target is the same in both cases, it factors out, leaving a product state with the relative phase between the two states of the control qubit.