## Problem 1: Three-Qubit Parity Check

We want to perform an even/odd parity check on qubits 1, 2, 4. It's easy to see that the parity operator  $P = Z \otimes Z \otimes I \otimes Z$  is both Hermitian and Unitary, so that it can both be regarded as an observable and a quantum gate. Suppose we wish to measure the observable P. That is, we desire to obtain a measurement result indicating one of the two eigenvalues, and leaving an updated state after the measurement that is projected to its corresponding eigenspace. We are going to show that the following circuit implements a measurement of P:



**a.** Derive the action of the three-qubit parity operator  $P = Z \otimes Z \otimes I \otimes Z$  on the computational basis state  $|x_1x_2x_3x_4\rangle$ . What are the eigenvalues of the operator P?

**b.** Derive the global state right before the measurement of the upper-qubit when the input state reads  $|0\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle$ , where  $|\psi\rangle = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^4} \gamma_x |x\rangle$  is a four qubit arbitrary input state and x is a four bit string.

c. Using the rules of partial measurement, show that the measurement of the upper-qubit projects the state of the lower four qubits to its odd or even parity subspaces, depending on the outcome being 0 or 1.

**d.** Prove that the two circuits below are equivalent:



e. Prove that we can achieve the same result with the circuit:



## Problem 2: SWAP Test

Given the two-qubit SWAP gate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the two single-qubit states  $|\phi_1\rangle = a |0\rangle + b |1\rangle$  and  $|\phi_2\rangle = c |0\rangle + d |1\rangle$ .

**a.** Show that  $U_{\text{SWAP}} |\phi_1\rangle \otimes |\phi_2\rangle = |\phi_2\rangle \otimes |\phi_1\rangle$ 

**b.** Consider the following SWAP test circuit acting on the two states  $|\phi_1\rangle$  and  $|\phi_2\rangle$ .



Give the quantum state of the three qubit system at each step of the circuit.

c. Compute the probability P(0) of obtaining the outcome 0 at the top qubit, the probability P(1) of obtaining the outcome 1, and their bias P(0) - P(1).

## **Problem 3: Quantum Fourier Transform**

As you have seen in the lectures, we can represent any integer z in its binary form as:

$$z = z_1 z_2 \dots z_n$$

where  $z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_n$  are such so that:

$$z = z_1 2^{n-1} + \ldots + z_{n-1} 2^1 + z_n$$

**a.** How many qubits at least would we need to encode the integer states  $|14\rangle$  and  $|9\rangle$ ? What is their binary representation when using qubits to encode the integers?

**b.** Recall that:

$$0.z_l z_{l+1} \dots z_m \equiv \frac{z_l}{2} + \frac{z_{l+1}}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{z_m}{2^{m-l+1}}$$

Calculate:

1. 
$$2^3 \cdot 0.z_1 z_2 z_3, 2^2 \cdot 0.z_1 z_2 z_3$$
 and  $2 \cdot 0.z_1 z_2 z_3$ , where  $z_i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

- 2.  $e^{2\pi i \cdot 2^2 \cdot 0.j_1 j_2 j_3}$  where  $j_i \in \{0, 1\}$ .
- **c.** Now consider the quantum Fourier circuit for three qubits:



with S and T being the gates:

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}, T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose that we input the state  $|j\rangle = |j_1 j_2 j_3\rangle$ . What will be the output state?