

CNOT: creating entangled states



Figure 10: The CNOT, or controlled-NOT, gate.

The matrix description of the gate with control qubit 2 and target qubit 1 is as follows:

$$CNOT_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

initially a = |0>+|1>, b = |0>

q	a	b	p ->	a	b⊕a
0	0	0	0.5	0	0.5
1	0	1		0	1
2	1	0	0.5	1	0
3	1	1		1	0.5

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class TwoQubit:
    def cnot(self):
        '''Controlled NOT operation'''
        self.onezero, self.oneone = self.oneone, self.onezero
        return self
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Using an array:

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q[0], q[1], q[2], q[3]

swap q[2] and q[3]
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Using names for the complex amplitudes:

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zerozero, zeroone, onezero, oneone
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[Python Quantum Computing simulator](#), Juliana Peña, 2011.