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Lecture 1

Introduction to quantum information

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<http://info.phys.winn.edu/~caves/qistutorial/lecture1.pdf>

States, dynamics, and measurements

Classical bit $\begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$ a, x

Bit string $a = a_1 \dots a_N$
State space: 2^N strings

Information Theory (IT) or Physics (P)

Dynamics (gates)

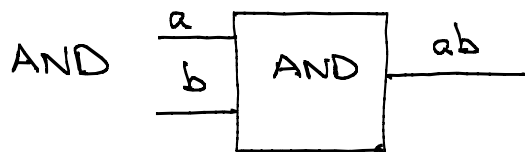


Truth table

0	1
1	0

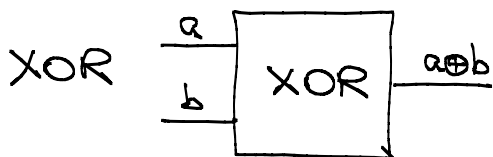
Matrix

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



00	0
01	0
10	0
11	1

$$\begin{matrix} 00 & 01 & 10 & 11 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{matrix}$$



00	0
01	1
10	1
11	0

$$\begin{matrix} 00 & 01 & 10 & 11 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

For a gate with N inputs and M outputs, each output is a polynomial function, up to N th order, of the inputs.

NAND, COPY, SWAP, plus the ability to summon ancilla bits, are universal for classical computation.

Quantum mechanics: qubits (two-state quantum systems)

$|0\rangle$

$|a\rangle$

Strings of qubits

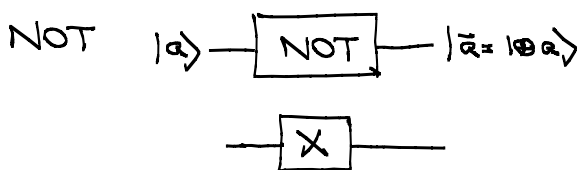
$|a\rangle = |a_1 \dots a_N\rangle$

$|1\rangle$

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IT: QM is an IT framework for physical law.

Dynamics (gates)



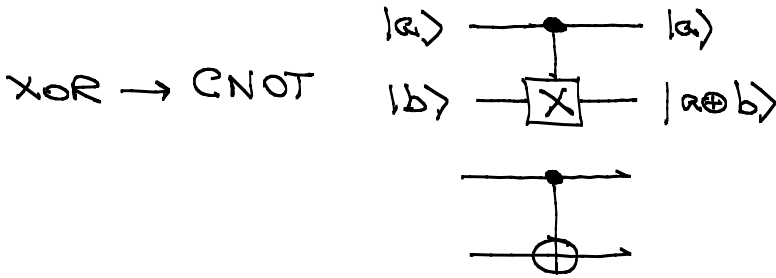
Matrix

$$\begin{matrix} |0\rangle & |1\rangle \\ |0\rangle & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ |1\rangle & \end{matrix}$$

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P: Irreversibility, dissipation, erasure
Quantum gates must be reversible.

IT: All classical computations can be made reversible.
The circuit model needs a 3-bit reversible gate.



00	00
01	01
10	11
11	10

$ 00\rangle$	$ 01\rangle$	$ 10\rangle$	$ 11\rangle$
1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0

permutation matrix

Great leap: Superpositions

Probabilities. Convex combinations. State space.

$$\langle a|b \rangle = \langle |a\rangle, |b\rangle \rangle = \delta_{ab}$$

$|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ are orthonormal vectors in a 2D complex vector space. The general state is a normalized vector

$$|\psi\rangle = c_0|0\rangle + c_1|1\rangle \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |c_0|^2 + |c_1|^2 = 1, \quad \text{overall phase does not change the state}$$

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$$N \text{ qubits: } |\psi\rangle = \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_N} c_{a_1, \dots, a_N} |a_1, \dots, a_N\rangle = \sum_a c_a |a\rangle, \quad \sum_a |c_a|^2 = 1$$

Size of state space: $\sim 2^{2N}$

Digression: inner product

- ① complex symmetric: $\langle \phi | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \phi \rangle^*$
- ② complex bilinear: $\langle \chi | \alpha|\phi\rangle + \beta|\psi\rangle = \alpha \langle \chi | \phi \rangle + \beta \langle \chi | \psi \rangle$
 $\langle \alpha|\phi\rangle + \beta|\psi\rangle, | \chi \rangle = \alpha^* \langle \phi |, \chi \rangle + \beta^* \langle \psi |, \chi \rangle$

③ $\langle \psi | \psi \rangle \geq 0, \quad = \iff |\psi\rangle = 0$

Bra-ket notation: $\langle \psi | = c_0^* \langle 0 | + c_1^* \langle 1 | \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \end{pmatrix}^\dagger = (c_0^* \ c_1^*)$

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$$\langle \phi |, \psi \rangle = \langle \phi | \psi \rangle$$

- ① $\langle \phi | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \phi \rangle^*$
- ② $|\psi\rangle = \alpha |\phi\rangle + \beta |\xi\rangle$: $\langle \chi | \psi \rangle = \alpha \langle \chi | \phi \rangle + \beta \langle \chi | \xi \rangle$
 $\langle \psi | = \alpha^* \langle \phi | + \beta^* \langle \xi |$: $\langle \psi | \chi \rangle = \alpha^* \langle \phi | \chi \rangle + \beta^* \langle \xi | \chi \rangle$
- ③ $\langle \psi | \psi \rangle \geq 0, = \iff |\psi\rangle = 0$

Dynamics (gates):

Single-qubit gates $|\psi\rangle = c_0|0\rangle + c_1|1\rangle \xrightarrow{U} U|\psi\rangle = c_0(U_{00}|0\rangle + U_{01}|1\rangle) + c_1(U_{10}|0\rangle + U_{11}|1\rangle)$

$$U = U_{00}|0\rangle\langle 0| + U_{01}|0\rangle\langle 1| + U_{10}|1\rangle\langle 0| + U_{11}|1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$= \sum_{a,b} U_{ab} \underbrace{|a\rangle\langle b|}_{\text{outer product}}$$

$$\longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} U_{00} & U_{01} \\ U_{10} & U_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

columns are orthonormal

U is a unitary operator.
 Classical reversible gates are permutation matrices.

Popular single-qubit gates

identity $I = |0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1| = \sum_a |a\rangle\langle a| \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

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Pauli operators

bit flip $X = |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0| = \sum_a |a\rangle\langle \bar{a}| \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $X^2 = Y^2 = Z^2 = I$

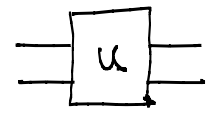
bit-sign flip $Y = -i|0\rangle\langle 1| + i|1\rangle\langle 0| \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $XY = iZ$
 $Y = -iXZ = iZX$

sign flip $Z = |0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1| = \sum_a (-1)^a |a\rangle\langle a| \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $S^2 = Z$

phase $S = |0\rangle\langle 0| + i|1\rangle\langle 1| = \sum_a i^a |a\rangle\langle a| \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$
 $= e^{i\pi/4} e^{-iZ\pi/4}$

$T = |0\rangle\langle 0| + e^{i\pi/4}|1\rangle\langle 1| = \sum_a e^{ia\pi/4} |a\rangle\langle a| \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$
 $= e^{i\pi/8} e^{-iZ\pi/8}$ $T^2 = S$

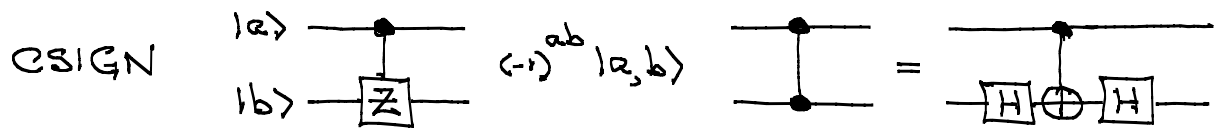
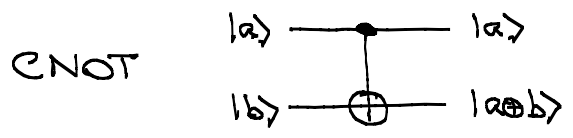
Hadamard $H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X + Z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{a,b} (-1)^{ab} |a\rangle\langle b| \longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $H^2 = I$
 $HXH = Z$

Two-qubit gates: 

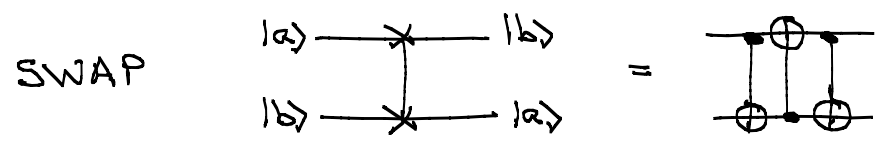
Popular two-qubit gates

$$CNOT = \sum_{a,b} |a, a \oplus b\rangle \langle a, b|$$

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

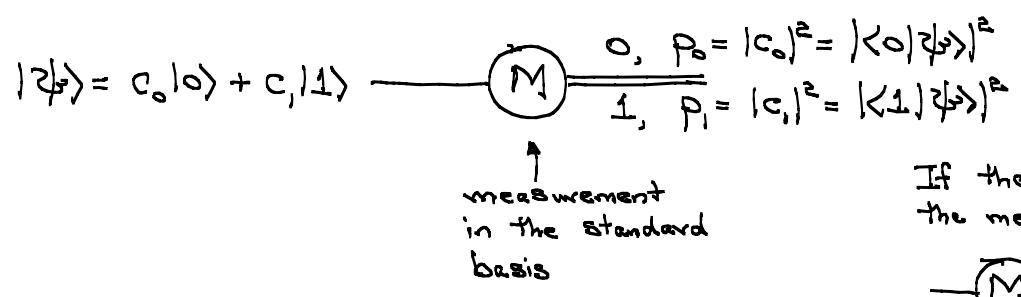


$$CSIGN = \sum_{a,b} (-1)^{ab} |a, b\rangle \langle a, b| \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Measurements

IT: Analog vs. digital in quantum mechanics



If the system survives the measurement,



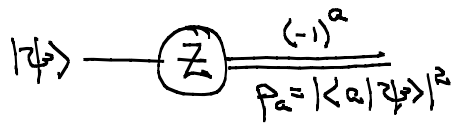
Observables

$$Z = |0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1| = \sum_a (-1)^a |a\rangle\langle a|$$

$$Z |a\rangle = (-1)^a |a\rangle$$

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eigenvalues eigenvectors

IT: Eigenvalues are just labels for the eigenvectors.
P: Eigenvalues are possible values of a physical quantity.

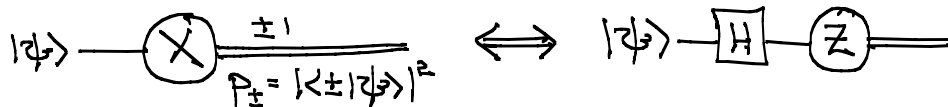


② $X = |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0| = \sum_a |a\rangle\langle a| = |+\rangle\langle +| - |-\rangle\langle -|$

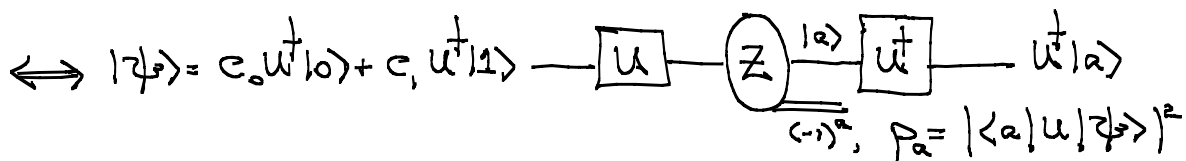
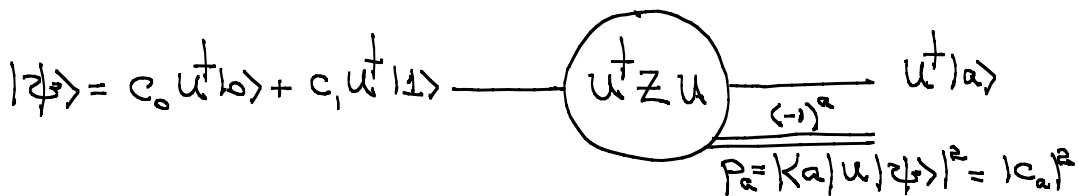
$| \pm \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle \pm |1\rangle)$

$X| \pm \rangle = \pm | \pm \rangle$

$H|0\rangle = |+\rangle, H|1\rangle = |-\rangle$

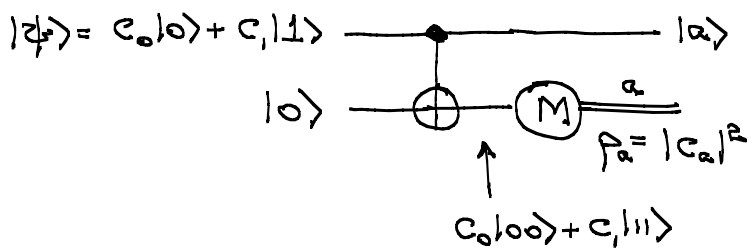


Measurement in another basis: $(u^\dagger Z u) u^\dagger |a\rangle = (-1)^a u^\dagger |a\rangle$



To make a measurement in the basis $u^\dagger |a\rangle$, transform to the standard basis $|a\rangle$ using u , and then measure in the standard basis. To correct the post-measurement state, apply u .

Measurement with ancilla



$\langle a_0 | \psi \rangle = c_a |a_1\rangle$

Principle of deferred measurement

