

# Introduction to Quantum Computing



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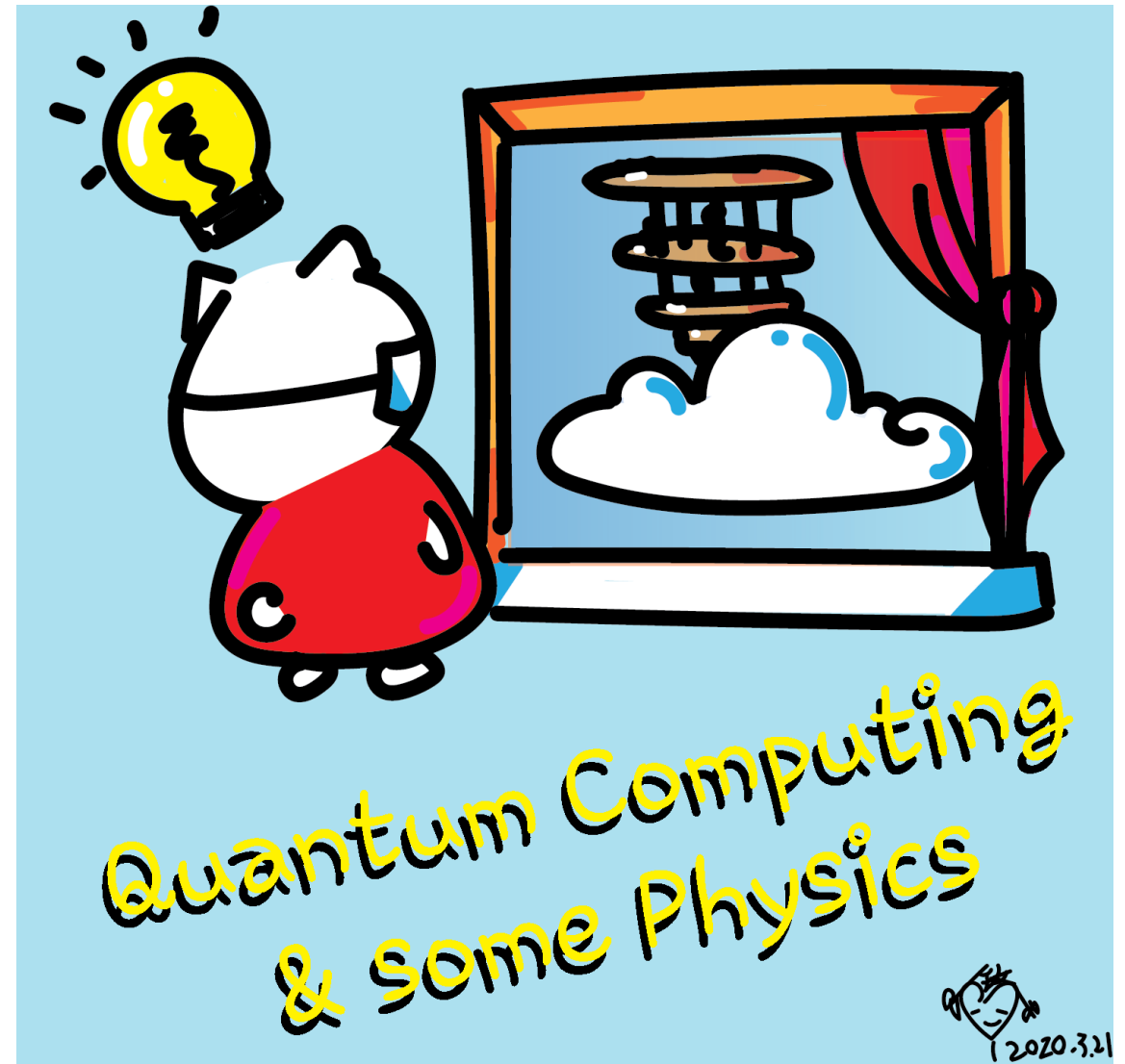
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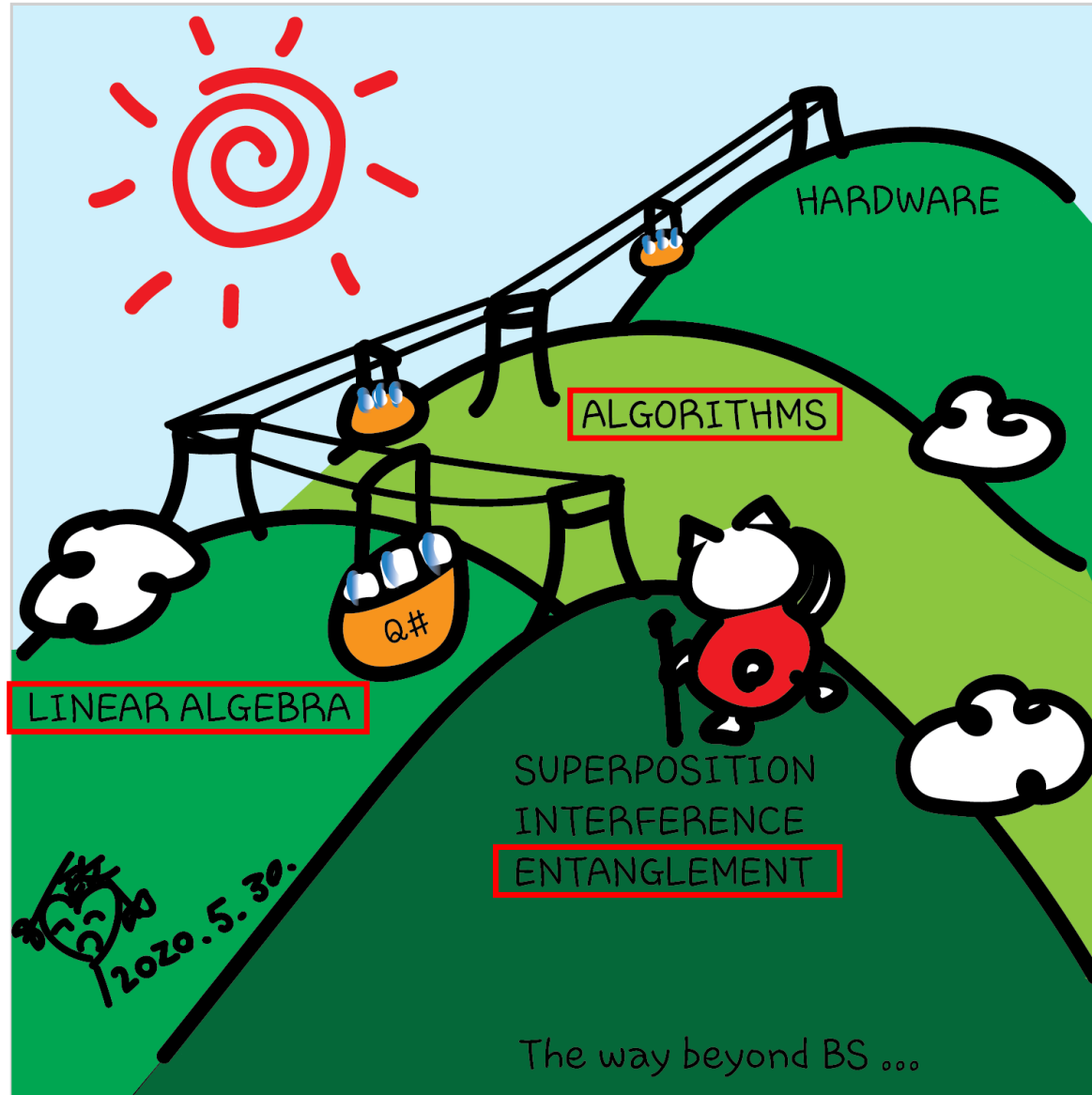
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# Class structure

- [Comics on Hackaday – Introduction to Quantum Computing](#) every Sun
- 30 mins – 1 hour every Sun, one concept (theory, hardware, programming), Q&A
- Contribute to Q# documentation  
<http://docs.microsoft.com/quantum>
- Coding through Quantum Katas  
<https://github.com/Microsoft/QuantumKatas/>
- Discuss in Hackaday project comments throughout the week
- Take notes

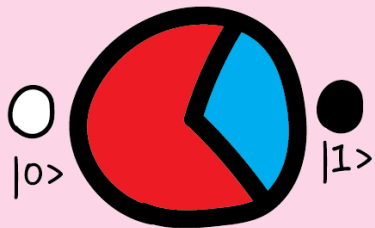




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A qubit system is all the possible configurations in superposition.

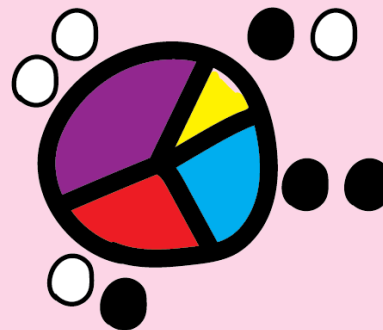
PIE CHART DENOTING PROBABILITY OF EACH CONFIGURATION



ONE QUBIT, TWO CONFIGURATIONS:

$$a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$$

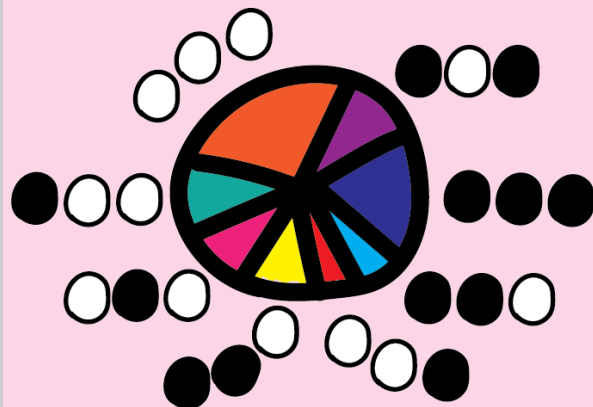
$$a^2 + b^2 = 1 \text{ (total probability adds up to 1)}$$



TWO QUBITS, FOUR CONFIGURATIONS:

$$a|00\rangle + b|01\rangle + c|10\rangle + d|11\rangle$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 = 1$$



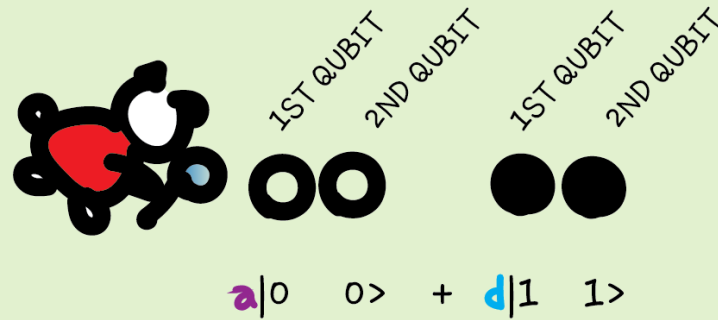
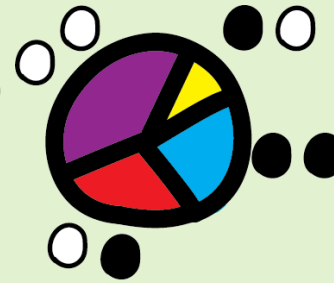
THREE QUBITS, EIGHT CONFIGURATIONS:

$$a|000\rangle + b|001\rangle + c|010\rangle + d|100\rangle + e|110\rangle + f|101\rangle + g|011\rangle + h|111\rangle$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 + e^2 + f^2 + g^2 + h^2 = 1$$

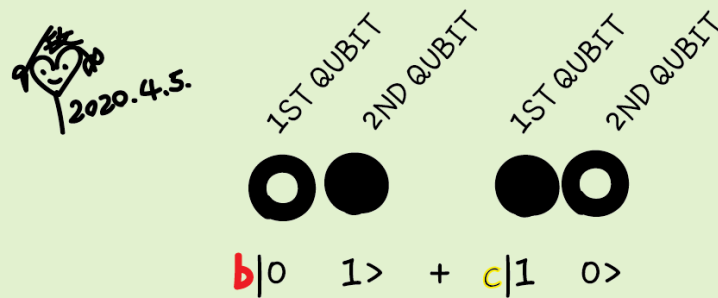
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N qubits will have  $2^N$  possible configurations in superposition!

We've seen in page 9 that with two qubits, there are four possible configurations: both qubits in  $|0\rangle$ s or  $|1\rangle$ s, or one in  $|0\rangle$  with the other in  $|1\rangle$ . What if we make the  $|0\rangle|0\rangle$  case in superposition with the  $|1\rangle|1\rangle$  case? Or  $|0\rangle|1\rangle$  in superposition with  $|1\rangle|0\rangle$ ?



If we set the system to be in this case, we know that if we measure the first qubit and get  $|0\rangle$ , the second qubit must be in  $|0\rangle$ , without needing to measure it.

We can also measure the second qubit to know what the first qubit is without measuring it.



Similarly in this case, if the first qubit is  $|0\rangle$ , the second qubit must be  $|1\rangle$ . If the first is  $|1\rangle$ , the second must be  $|0\rangle$ .

The qubits are correlated. This is called "entanglement".

# Entanglement

Bell states

$$|\phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle \pm |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ and } |\phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle \pm |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

BY MEASURING ONE OF THE  
ENTANGLED QUBITS, I KNOW  
WHAT THE OTHER  
QUBIT WOULD BE.



Take  $|\phi^+\rangle$  as an example, upon measuring the first qubit, one obtains two possible results:

1. First qubit is 0, get a state  $|\phi'\rangle = |00\rangle$  with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$ .
2. First qubit is 1, get a state  $|\phi''\rangle = |11\rangle$  with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

If the second qubit is measured, the result is the same as the above. This means that measuring one qubit tells us what the other qubit is.

# Entanglement

*Math insert – entangled states cannot be factored back to individual qubits-----*

Remember in section 1.1, a two-qubit state can be obtained by doing a tensor product of two individual one-qubit states. However, a Bell state cannot be factored back into two individual qubits. For example,

$$|\phi^{\pm}\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle \pm |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If we want to factor it back to two separate qubits as in  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix}$ , then this set of equations need to be simultaneously satisfied

$ac = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $ad = 0$ ,  $bc = 0$  and  $bd = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ . Unfortunately, it is impossible. This set of equations has no solution. It can only be 50% chance of getting  $|00\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $|11\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

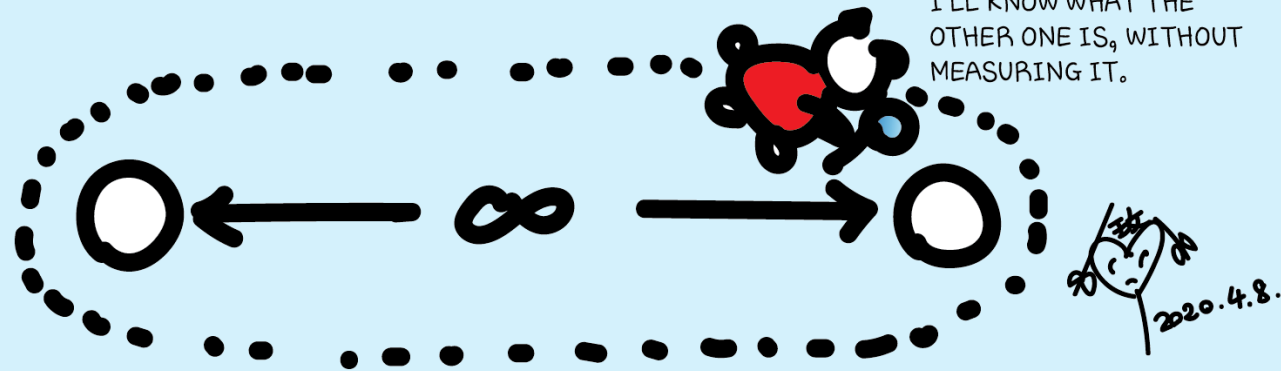
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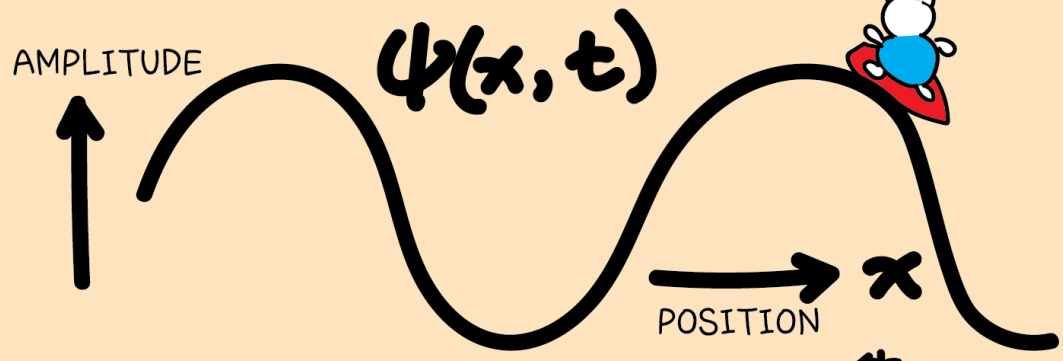
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When we change one of the entangled qubits, the other qubit does not instantaneously change. (That would imply faster-than-light information transfer, which is prohibited. This is a common mistake people make when talking about entanglement.)

BUT IF I MEASURE ONE, I'LL KNOW WHAT THE OTHER ONE IS, WITHOUT MEASURING IT.



They can remain entangled even if they are separated infinitely far apart. There is no “spooky” interaction between them. All it means is that their measurement results are correlated. And entanglement simply does not depend on distance.

[Check out more commonly made mistakes https://quantumfactsheet.github.io/](https://quantumfactsheet.github.io/)



Classical wave, e.g. mass on a spring, water wave, sound wave, pendulum, etc.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2}$$

Electromagnetic wave, derived from Maxwell's equations

$$\nabla^2 E = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 H = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2}$$

Quantum wave, Schrödinger equation

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$$

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The speed of light must be a universal constant!!!



$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot E &= 0 \\ \nabla \cdot H &= 0 \\ \nabla \times E &= -\mu_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times H &= \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS FOR ELECTROMAGNETISM

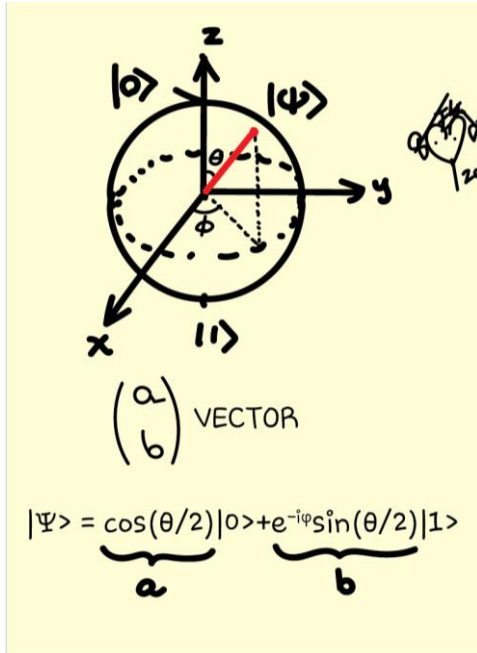


$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 E &= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} \\ \nabla^2 H &= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial t^2} \end{aligned}$$

↑ TELLS US THE SPEED

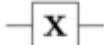

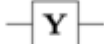
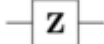

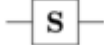
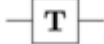

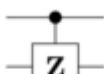



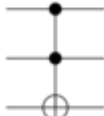
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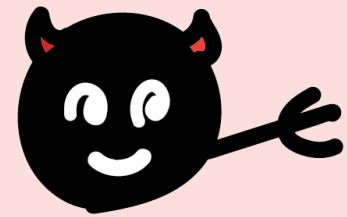
# Gates (quantum operations)



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MATRIX THAT CHANGES $\phi$	MATRIX THAT CHANGES $\theta$	
$\begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\phi/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\phi/2} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} & -\sin\frac{\theta}{2} \\ \sin\frac{\theta}{2} & \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \\ e^{-i\phi}\sin\frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$
MATRICES: GATES	VECTOR: QUBIT	

Operator	Gate(s)	Matrix
Pauli-X (X)	 	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Pauli-Y (Y)		$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Pauli-Z (Z)		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Hadamard (H)		$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
Phase (S, P)		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$
$\pi/8$ (T)		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{bmatrix}$
Controlled Not (CNOT, CX)		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
Controlled Z (CZ)	 	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
SWAP	 	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
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CONTROL QUBIT :  
YOU STAY THE SAME IF I'M |0>;  
YOU CHANGE IF I'M |1>.



TARGET QUBIT :  
OKAY~

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**CNOT** =

A 4x4 MATRIX

1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0

PRESERVE (top row)

SWITCH (bottom row)

The controlled-not gate manipulates the target qubit based on the state of the control qubit.

- CNOT|00>=|00>
- CNOT|01>=|01>
- CNOT|10>=|11>
- CNOT|11>=|10>



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There are other controlled gates for multiple qubits you should look up. We highlight CNOT as it will be used in every(?) algorithm (sounds familiar?!)

# CNOT

$$CNOT = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$CNOT|10\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = |11\rangle.$$

Similarly,  $C|00\rangle = |00\rangle$ ,  $C|01\rangle = |01\rangle$  and  $C|11\rangle = |10\rangle$ .

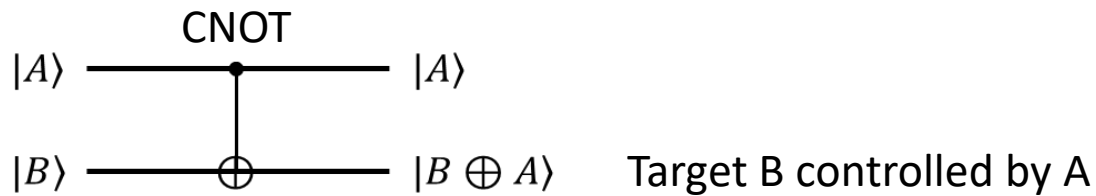
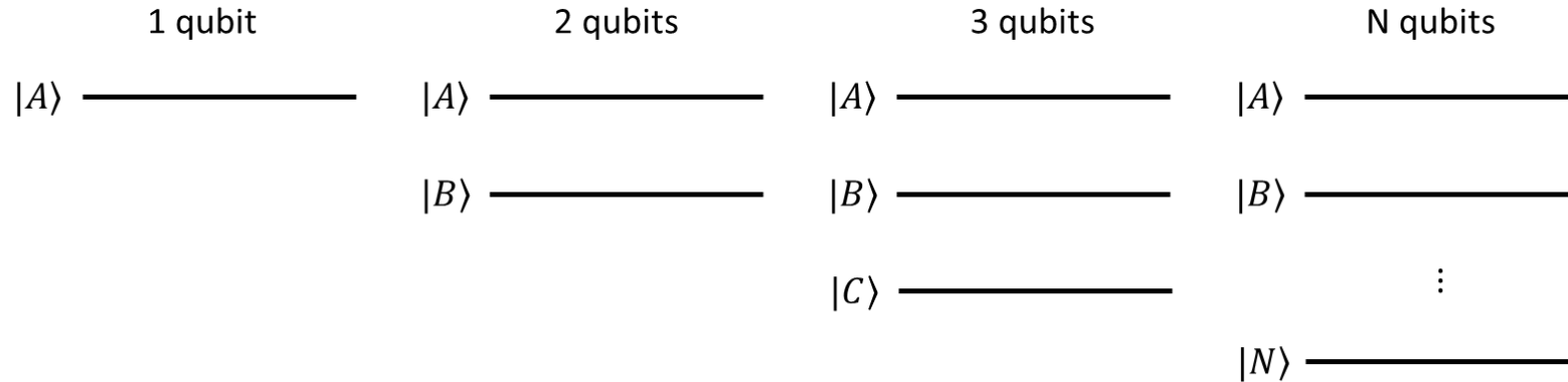
*Math insert - Matrix multiplication* -----

Gates are N by N matrices that multiply to state with  $2^N$  vector elements. They follow the rules such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by + cz \\ dx + ey + fz \\ gx + hy + iz \end{pmatrix},$$

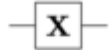

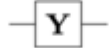
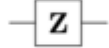
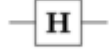
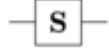
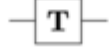

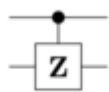



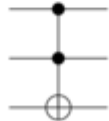
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# Circuit representation



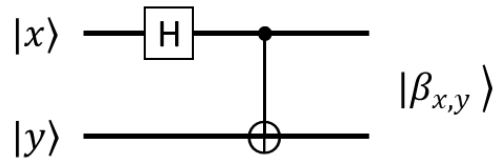
The Bloch sphere is no longer <sup>22</sup> useful when we look at more than one qubit. But we have another graphic representation to use for multi-qubit systems.

Similar to how the lines in music scores denote the time-evolving music, we can use lines to represent the time-evolving qubit states:

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# Creating Bell states (entanglement)



$$H|10\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|10\rangle - |11\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle$$

$$\text{CNOT} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

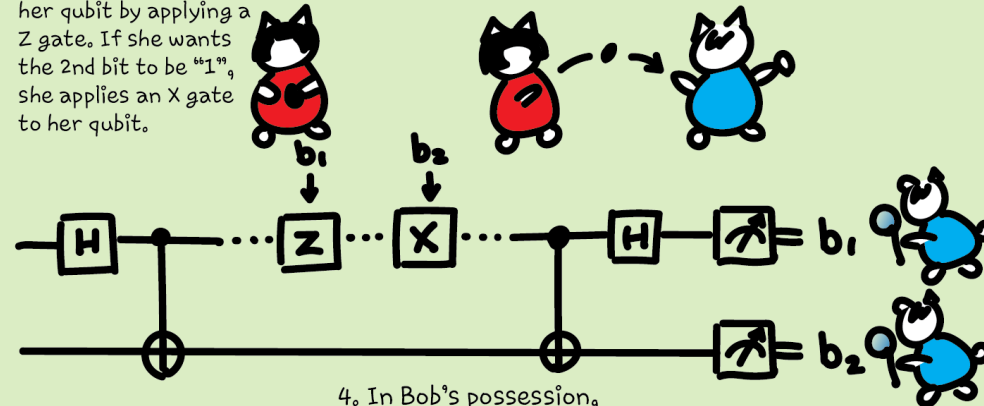
In	Out
$ 00\rangle$	$( 00\rangle +  11\rangle)/\sqrt{2} \equiv  \beta_{00}\rangle$
$ 01\rangle$	$( 01\rangle +  10\rangle)/\sqrt{2} \equiv  \beta_{01}\rangle$
$ 10\rangle$	$( 00\rangle -  11\rangle)/\sqrt{2} \equiv  \beta_{10}\rangle$
$ 11\rangle$	$( 01\rangle -  10\rangle)/\sqrt{2} \equiv  \beta_{11}\rangle$

Try proving this table

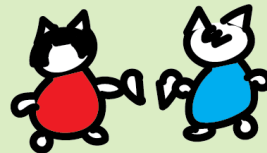
# Superdense coding

2. Alice wants Bob to obtain a two-bit classical string. If she wants him to get "1" in the first bit, she encodes her qubit by applying a Z gate. If she wants the 2nd bit to be "1", she applies an X gate to her qubit.

3. Alice then sends her qubit to Bob.



1. ALICE & BOB PREPARE AN ENTANGLED PAIR, THEN SEPARATE.



Say  $1/\sqrt{2}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$  is what they start with.

4. In Bob's possession, he has one of these entangled states:

- $1/\sqrt{2}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$
- $1/\sqrt{2}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$
- $1/\sqrt{2}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$
- $1/\sqrt{2}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$



He disentangles them.

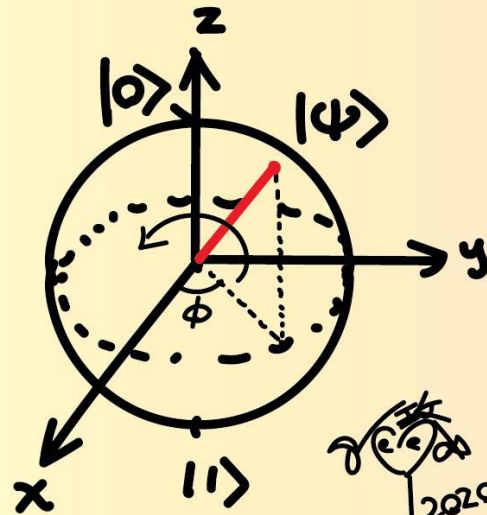
5. Measuring each qubit gives Bob what Alice intended: "00", "01", "10" or "11".



Decodes the message.

Superdense coding uses one qubit to send two classical bits. It is a nice little algorithm that demonstrates the usefulness of entanglement.





To change the phase  $\varphi$ , we have a commonly used gate,  $Z$ , which rotates about the  $z$ -axis by  $180^\circ$ .

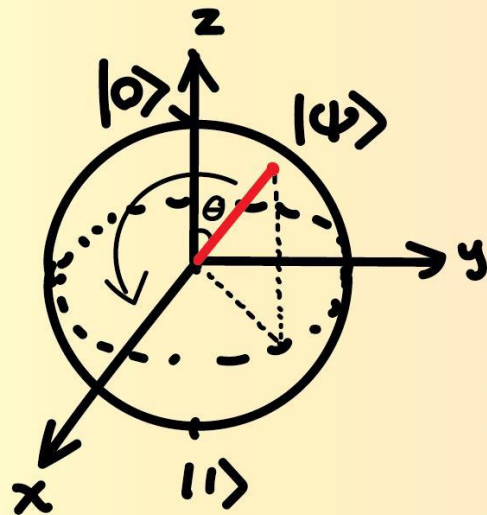
$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Similarly, the  $X$  gate rotates about the  $x$ -axis by  $180^\circ$ , rotating the angle  $\theta$  e.g.  $X|0\rangle = |1\rangle$ ,  $X|1\rangle = |0\rangle$ .



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

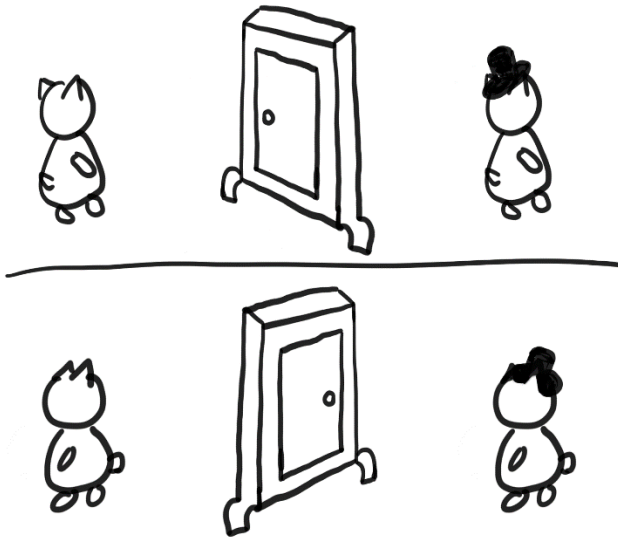
We have seen in page 18 the two matrices for changing  $\varphi$  and  $\theta$  in arbitrary amounts. They form a universal gate set - they can put a state anywhere on the Bloch Sphere. The gates  $Z$  and  $X$  are special cases of them.

# Q# exercise:

## Option 1: No installation, web-based Jupyter Notebooks

- The Quantum Katas project (tutorials and exercises for learning quantum computing) <https://github.com/Microsoft/QuantumKatas>
- **SuperdenseCoding**
- Task 1.3 Adjoint, MResetZ
- <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/qsharp/api/qsharp/microsoft.quantum.measurement.mresetz>
- <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/learn/modules/qsharp-create-first-quantum-development-kit/>
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# Gates



manipulate qubit states (vectors)  
through matrix multiplications

unitarity  $U^\dagger U = I$

So that it is reversible and probabilities add up to 1

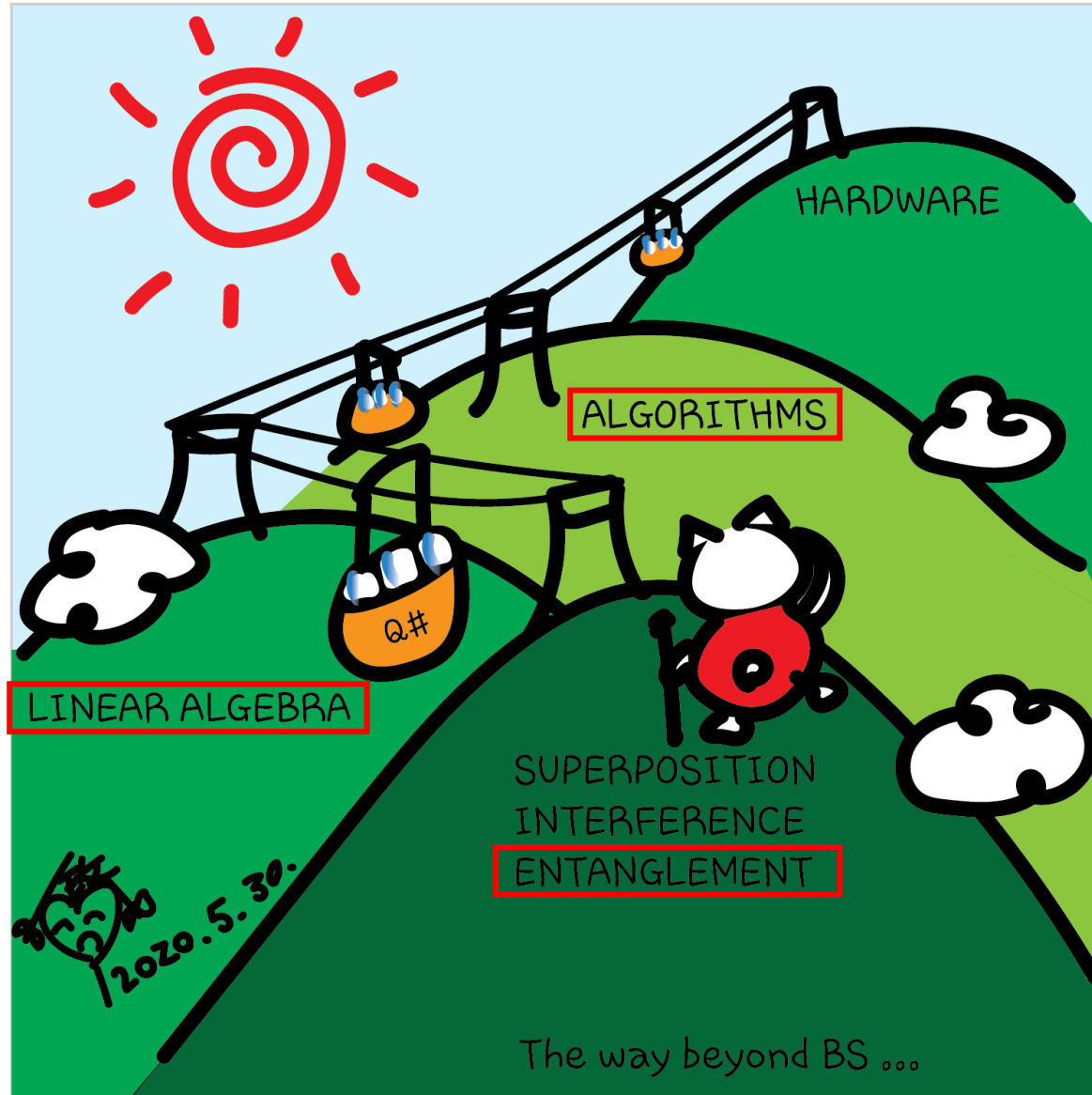
*Math insert – unitary, adjoint or Hermitian conjugate -----*

In math, unitarity means  $U^\dagger U = I$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix and the “ $\dagger$ ” symbol (reads “dagger”) means adjoint or Hermitian conjugate of matrix  $U$ . It can be further written as  $U^\dagger = (U^*)^T = (U^T)^*$ , where “ $T$ ” denotes transpose and “ $*$ ” complex conjugate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \\ \vdots \\ U_N \end{pmatrix}^T = (U_1 \ U_2 \ \dots \ U_N)$$

and if  $a = a_0 + ia_1$ , then  $a^* = a_0 - ia_1$  by definition. Therefore,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} a^* & c^* \\ b^* & d^* \end{pmatrix}.$$



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