

# Welcome to Quantum

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# Probability

## States

### Probability state, $\vec{p}$

In general,  $\vec{p}$  is a valid state if:

- $\|\vec{p}\|_1 = \sum_i |p_i| = 1$
- $p_k \in \mathcal{R}$
- $p_k \geq 0$

$p_i$  is the probability of the  $i$ th outcome resulting from a measurement.

In [1]:

```
import numpy as np

#orthogonal vector corresponding to possible outcomes
e0 = np.matrix([[1],[0],[0]])
e1 = np.matrix([[0],[1],[0]])
e2 = np.matrix([[0],[0],[1]])

#probabilities of possible outcomes
p0 = 0.05
```

```
p1 = 0.15
```

```
p2 = 0.8
```

```
#probability vector
```

```
p = p0 * e0 + p1 * e1 + p2 * e2
```

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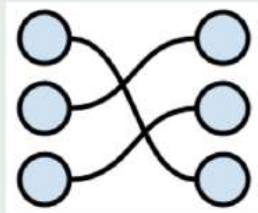
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Example:  $\sigma = (021) \in S_3$

$$\sigma(0) = 2$$

$$\sigma(1) = 0$$

$$\sigma(2) = 1$$



In [4]:

```
sig=[2,0,1]
```

```
#A matrix representation of the permutation
P_021=np.matrix(np.zeros((3,3)))
P_021[sig[0],0]=1
P_021[sig[1],1]=1
P_021[sig[2],2]=1
```

```
print(P_021)
```

```
[[0. 1. 0.]  
 [0. 0. 1.]  
 [1. 0. 0.]
```

In [6]: P\_021@p

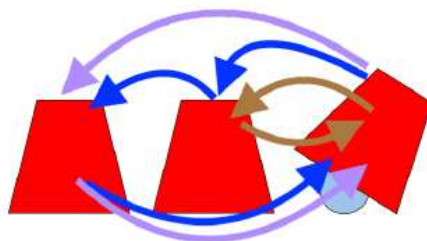
Out[6]: matrix([[0.15],  
 [0.8 ],  
 [0.05]])



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For example, applying  $P^{(132)}$  with probability  $w_{(132)} = \frac{1}{2}$  or doing nothing with  $w_{id} = \frac{1}{2}$  would give

$$\left( \frac{1}{2} P^{(021)} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{1} \right) \vec{p}(i) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.100 \\ 0.475 \\ 0.425 \end{bmatrix}$$

In [8]:

```
w1=.5
w2=1-w1

(w1* P_021 + w2 * np.eye(3)) @ p
```

Out[8]: matrix([[0.1 ],  
[0.475],  
[0.425]])

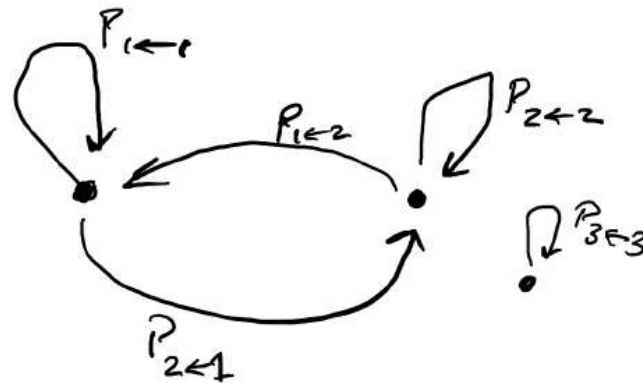
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This arrangement yields the natural definition of matrix multiplication.

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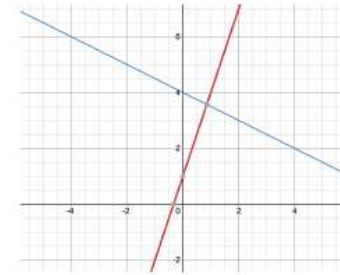
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## Linear algebra: The rich subject of lines

Consider two lines (i.e. no  $x^2$  no  $y^3$ ):  $Ax + B = y$  and  $Cx + D = y$

$$Ax + (-1)y = -B$$

$$Cx + (-1)y = -D \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & -1 \\ C & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B \\ -D \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

# Questions on probability?

Up next  
**Quantum Lift**

I now invite the reader to reflect on the following aspects of probability theory before embarking on the extension to quantum.

- Meaning of measurement and the subsequent updating of probabilities
- Interpretation of the probability function
  - The probability function as knowledge (epistemic)
  - The probability function as an actual thing (ontic)

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In [11]:

```
# need to flatten the vector before using diag  
# if you have numpy array (instead of a vector)  
# then np.diag will work directly  
  
dm_p = np.diagflat(p)  
  
print(dm_p)
```

```
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$$\hat{e}_1^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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<sup>1</sup>The conjugate of imaginary number  $a + bi$  is  $(a + bi)^* = (a - bi)$  for complex numbers

In [16]:

```
# np matrices have attribute A.H for conjugate transpose  
# alternatively one can use A.transpose().conjugate  
  
#print(e1.conjugate().transpose())  
print(e1.H)
```

[[0 1 0]]

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$$\text{So } e_1^\dagger e_1 = 1, e_0^\dagger e_2 = 0 \text{ and } e_2 e_0^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } (e_2 e_0^\dagger)^\dagger = e_0 e_2^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In [25]:

```
# use the @ for matrix multiplication in numpy

print("e1^dag e1 =", e1.H @ e1)
print(" ")
print("e0^dag e2 =", e0.H @ e2)
print(" ")
print("e2 e0^dag =")
print(e2 @ e0.H)
```

```
print(" ")
print("e0 e2^dag =")
print(e0 @ e2.H)
```

```
e1^dag e1 = [[1]]
```

```
e0^dag e2 = [[0]]
```

```
e2 e0^dag =
[[0 0 0]
 [0 0 0]
 [1 0 0]]
```

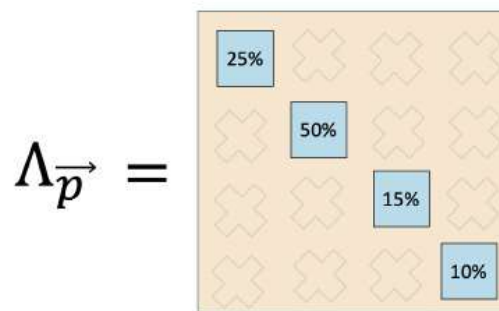
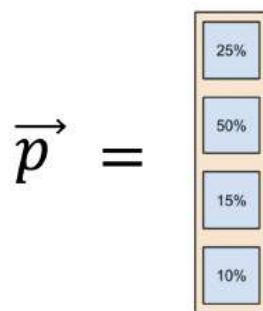
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In [45]:

```
p_vec = [.25, .5, .15, .1]
L_p = np.diag(p_vec)

print(p_vec)
print(" ")
print(L_p)
```

```
[0.25, 0.5, 0.15, 0.1]
```

```
[[0.25 0.    0.    0. ]
 [0.    0.5  0.    0. ]
 [0.    0.    0.15 0. ]
 [0.    0.    0.    0.1 ]]
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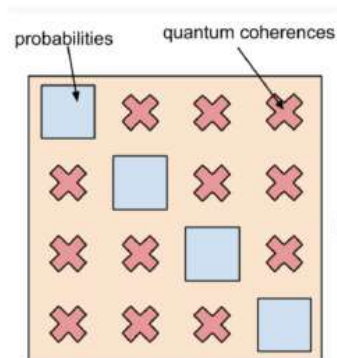
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### Quantum state, $\rho$

In general,  $\rho$  is a valid state if:

- $\|\rho\|_1 = \text{Tr}|\rho| = 1$
- $\rho = \rho^\dagger$
- $\vec{v}^\dagger \cdot \rho \cdot \vec{v} \geq 0$  for all  $\vec{v}$



For our quantum lift,  $\text{Tr}(\Lambda_p) = 1$  and  $(\Lambda_p)_{kk} \geq 0$  and  $\Lambda_p = \Lambda_p^\dagger$

In [59]:

```
# the unitary Fourier transform matrix
from scipy.linalg import dft
U=np.matrix(dft(3)/np.sqrt(3))
np.set_printoptions(suppress=True,precision=4)
```

```
#here dm stands for density matrix
```

```
dm = U @ dm_p @ U.H
```

```
#check that dm is a valid quantum state
```

```
print(dm)
```

```
print(" ")
```

```
print(np.trace(dm).real)
```

```
print(" ")
```

```
print(np.linalg.eig(dm)[0].real)
```

```
print(" ")
```

```
print(dm - dm.H)
```

```
[[ 0.3333+0.j      -0.1417-0.1876j -0.1417+0.1876j]
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```

```
1.0
```

```
[0.8  0.05 0.15]
```

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# Quantum

## Measurement of states

### Decoherent projection of quantum state

$$\mathcal{E}_{\hat{e}}(\rho) = \sum_k (\hat{e}_k \hat{e}_k^\dagger) \rho (\hat{e}_k \hat{e}_k^\dagger) = \sum P_k \rho P_k$$

Both  $P_k^2 = P_k = (\hat{e}_k \hat{e}_k^\dagger)$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{e}}^2 = \mathcal{E}_{\hat{e}}$  i.e. are projective.

With respect to the  $\hat{e}$  basis, there are no more coherences (i.e.  $\mathcal{E}_{\hat{e}}(\rho) = \Lambda_{\vec{p}}$  for some valid  $\vec{p}$ ). Then we treat  $\vec{p}$  with “ordinary” probability.

In [60]:

```
print(dm)
print(" ")
print( (e0 @ e0.H) @ dm @ (e0 @ e0.H)
      + (e1 @ e1.H) @ dm @ (e1 @ e1.H)
      + (e2 @ e2.H) @ dm @ (e2 @ e2.H))

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$$\vec{p}(f) = P^\sigma \vec{p}(i)$$

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In [65]:

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print(P_021 @ dm_p @ P_021.H)
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print(P_021 @ p)
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$$\Lambda_{p(f)} = U \cdot (\Lambda_{p(i)}) \cdot U^\dagger$$

The quantum state space as a matrix space allows for continuous changes of basis via unitary matrices.<sup>1</sup>

- $U^\dagger U = 1$
- $\|U\vec{x}\|_2 = \|\vec{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_i |x_i|^2}$  for all  $\vec{x}$

### Exercise

#### Permutations are unitary

<sup>1</sup>You may again think of this as either as an active transformation that “happened to the system” or a passive “relabelling” of a fixed state.

In [64]:

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# the unitary Fourier transform matrix
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```

```
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```

```
# An examples from earlier  
print(U @ U.H)  
print(" ")  
print(P_021 @ P_021.H)
```

```
[[ 1.+0.j -0.+0.j  0.+0.j]  
 [-0.-0.j  1.-0.j -0.+0.j]  
 [ 0.-0.j -0.-0.j  1.-0.j]]
```

```
[[1. 0. 0.]  
 [0. 1. 0.]  
 [0. 0. 1.]]
```

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Transforming states (kinematics)

## Deterministic change of basis

$$\mathcal{E}_U(\rho) = U\rho U^\dagger$$

## Stochastic change of basis

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$$\vec{p}(f) = \sum_{\sigma} w_{\sigma} (P^{\sigma} \vec{p}(i)) \quad \sum w_{\sigma} (P^{\sigma} \cdot \Lambda_{p(i)} \cdot P^{\sigma\dagger}) = \Lambda_{M\vec{p}(i)}$$
$$\Lambda_{Mp(i)} = \sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} \Lambda_{p(i)} U_{\alpha}^{\dagger}$$

## Stochastic change of basis

$$\mathcal{E}_{\{w_{\alpha}, U_{\alpha}\}}(\rho) = \sum w_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} \rho U_{\alpha}^{\dagger}$$

In [73]:

```
w1=.5
w2=1-w1

dm_pf = w1 * P_021 @ dm_p @ P_021.H\
        + w2 * np.eye(3) @ dm_p @ np.eye(3).T
pf     = (w1* P_021 @ p + w2 * np.eye(3) @ p )

print(dm_pf)
```

```
print(" ")  
print(pf)
```

```
[[0.1  0.  0.  ]  
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 [0.   0.   0.425]]
```

```
[[0.1 ]  
 [0.475]  
 [0.425]]
```

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Transforming states (kinematics)

### Type 1: Projective measurements

$$\mathcal{E}_{\hat{e}}(\rho) = \sum_j (\hat{e}_j \hat{e}_j^\dagger) \rho (\hat{e}_j \hat{e}_j^\dagger)$$

### Type 2: Stochastic change of basis

$$\mathcal{E}_{\{w_\alpha, U_\alpha\}}(\rho) = \sum w_\alpha U_\alpha \rho U_\alpha^\dagger$$

### General case: Kraus (operator sum) representation

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = \sum E_k \rho E_k^\dagger \text{ with } \sum E_k^\dagger E_k = 1$$

## Standard elementary formalism

Usual treatment begins with **wave functions**:  $\vec{\psi}$  where

$$U_t \vec{\psi} = \vec{\psi}_f$$

When  $\rho$  has only one non-zero eigenvalue (the case that there is a single event with probability one), it can be written as

$$\rho = \vec{\psi}(\vec{\psi})^\dagger$$

Then an active change of basis is given by

$$\mathcal{E}_t(\rho) = U_t \rho U_t^\dagger = U_t \vec{\psi}(\vec{\psi})^\dagger U_t^\dagger = (U_t \vec{\psi})(U_t \vec{\psi})^\dagger = \vec{\psi}_f(\vec{\psi}_f)^\dagger$$

### Pure states

When  $\rho = \vec{\psi}\vec{\psi}^\dagger$  show that the normalization condition on wave functions ( $\|\psi\|_2 = 1$ ) follow from this decomposition of a pure state.

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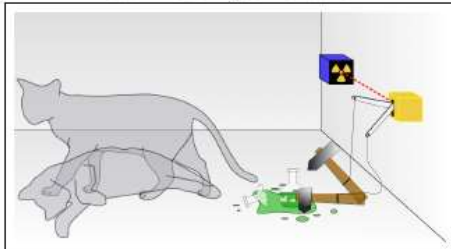
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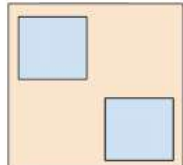
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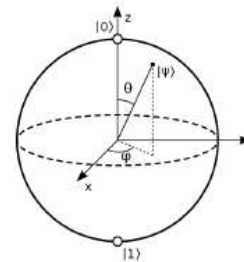
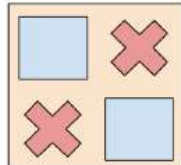
Schrödinger's cat



Survival probabilities



Quantum cat and atom



$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle &= \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle \\ &= \cos(\theta) |0\rangle + e^{-i\varphi} \sin(\theta) |1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mapsto \rho &= |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| = \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 & \alpha^* \beta \\ \beta^* \alpha & |\beta|^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2(\theta) & \frac{e^{i\varphi}}{2} \sin(2\theta) \\ \frac{e^{-i\varphi}}{2} \sin(2\theta) & \sin^2(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

In [76]:

```
#random theta
q = np.random.rand() * 2 * np.pi
#random phi
f = np.random.rand() * 2 * np.pi

#the qubit wave function
psi = np.matrix( [[ np.cos(q) ], [np.exp(-1j*f) * np.sin(q)] ] )

#quantum state (density matrix)
```



```

rho = np.matrix([[np.cos(q)**2 , .5 * np.exp(1j * f) * np.sin(2*q)],
                 [.5 * np.exp(-1j * f) * np.sin(2*q), np.sin(q)**2]])

#standard quantum notation
ket0 = np.matrix( [[1],[0]])
ket1 = np.matrix( [[0],[1]])

#should be zero
print(psi @ psi.H - rho)
print(" ")
print(np.round(rho*10e4)/10e4 )
print(" ")
print((ket0 @ ket0.H) @ rho @ (ket0 @ ket0.H)
      + (ket1 @ ket1.H) @ rho @ (ket1 @ ket1.H))

```

```

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```

```

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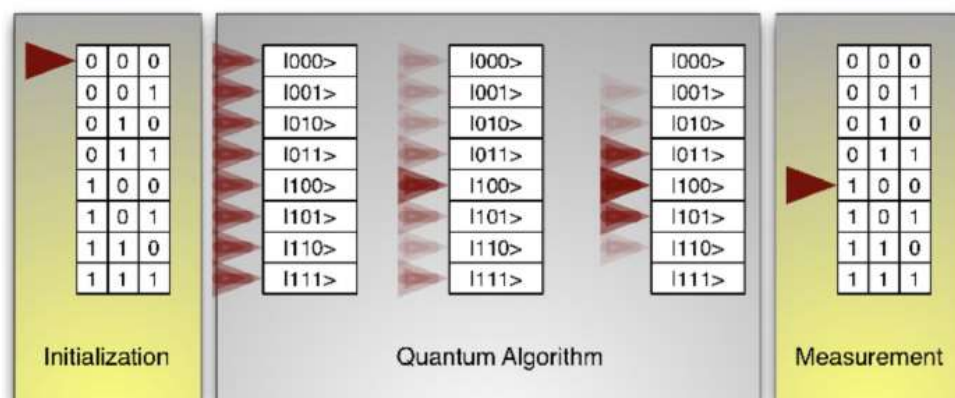
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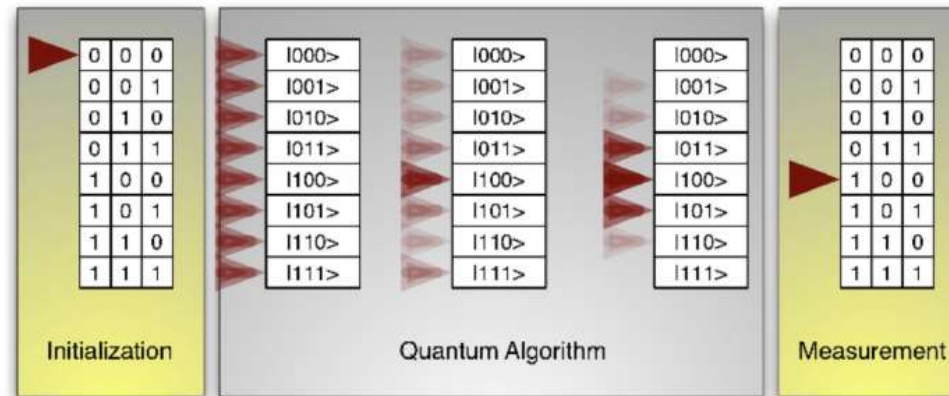
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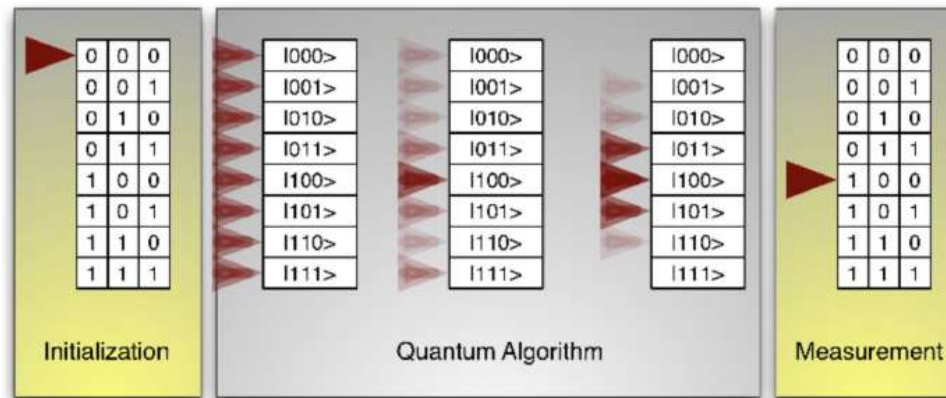
## Projective measurements

$$\mathcal{E}_{\hat{e}}(\rho) = \sum_j (\hat{e}_j \hat{e}_j^\dagger) \rho (\hat{e}_j \hat{e}_j^\dagger)$$

This channel is need to measure and, if need, initialize the device

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## Active change of basis

$$\mathcal{E}_M(\rho) = \sum_{\alpha} w_{\alpha} U_{\alpha} \cdot [\rho] \cdot U_{\alpha}^{\dagger}$$

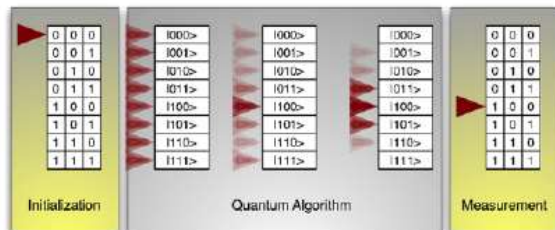
Ideal quantum computers implement, upon request,  $U_{circuit}$  with high probability (i.e.  $w_{circuit} \approx 1$ )

# Quantum supremacy

The point where quantum computers can do things that classical computers cannot, regardless of whether those tasks are useful

## Alternate protocols

- FourierSampling
- BosonSampling
- IQP
- Random circuit sampling



## Article

### Quantum supremacy using a programmable superconducting processor

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The premise of quantum computers is that certain computational tasks might be executed exponentially faster on a quantum processor than on a classical processor<sup>1</sup>. A fundamental challenge is to build a high-fidelity processor capable of running quantum algorithms in an exponentially large computational space. Here we report the use of a processor with programmable superconducting qubits<sup>2–7</sup> to create quantum states on 53 qubits, corresponding to a computational state space of dimension  $2^{53}$  (about  $10^{16}$ ). Measurements from repeated experiments sample the resulting probability distribution, which we verify using classical simulations. Our system processor takes about 200 seconds to sample one instance of a quantum circuit a million times – our benchmarks currently indicate that the equivalent task for a state-of-the-art classical supercomputer would take approximately 10,000 years. This dramatic increase in speed compared with known classical algorithms is an experimental realization of quantum supremacy<sup>8–10</sup> for this specific computational task, heralding a much-anticipated computing paradigm.

## Quantum supremacy

- Relies on **statistical** arguments
- Requires implementing randomly selected  $U_{\text{circuit}}$
- Sample from  $\rho = \mathcal{E}_{\text{circuit}}[\rho(i)]$  with  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{circuit}} \approx U_{\text{circuit}}(\bullet)U_{\text{circuit}}^\dagger$

# Discussion

Standard topics and next steps

- Note the approach I've given here is consistent with **any probability interpretation** of the state functions and of its measurements (frequentist, Bayesian, ontic, epistemic, etc.).
- Concept of correlations between subsystems in probability generalizes to the concept of **entanglement**
- **Superposition** in quantum mechanics is the same as superposition of music tones or of water waves. Typically, reaching superposition means increasing the fraction of non-zero elements in the density matrix but keeping the probability vector limited to a single non-zero entry.
- The **Heisenberg uncertainty principle** states the product of the uncertainty in the position,  $\Delta x$ , and of the uncertainty in the momentum,  $\Delta p$ , is always greater than some fixed number. This is a consequence of unitary the change of basis connecting position and momentum: the Fourier transform.

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