

Workshop on Quantum Machine Learning

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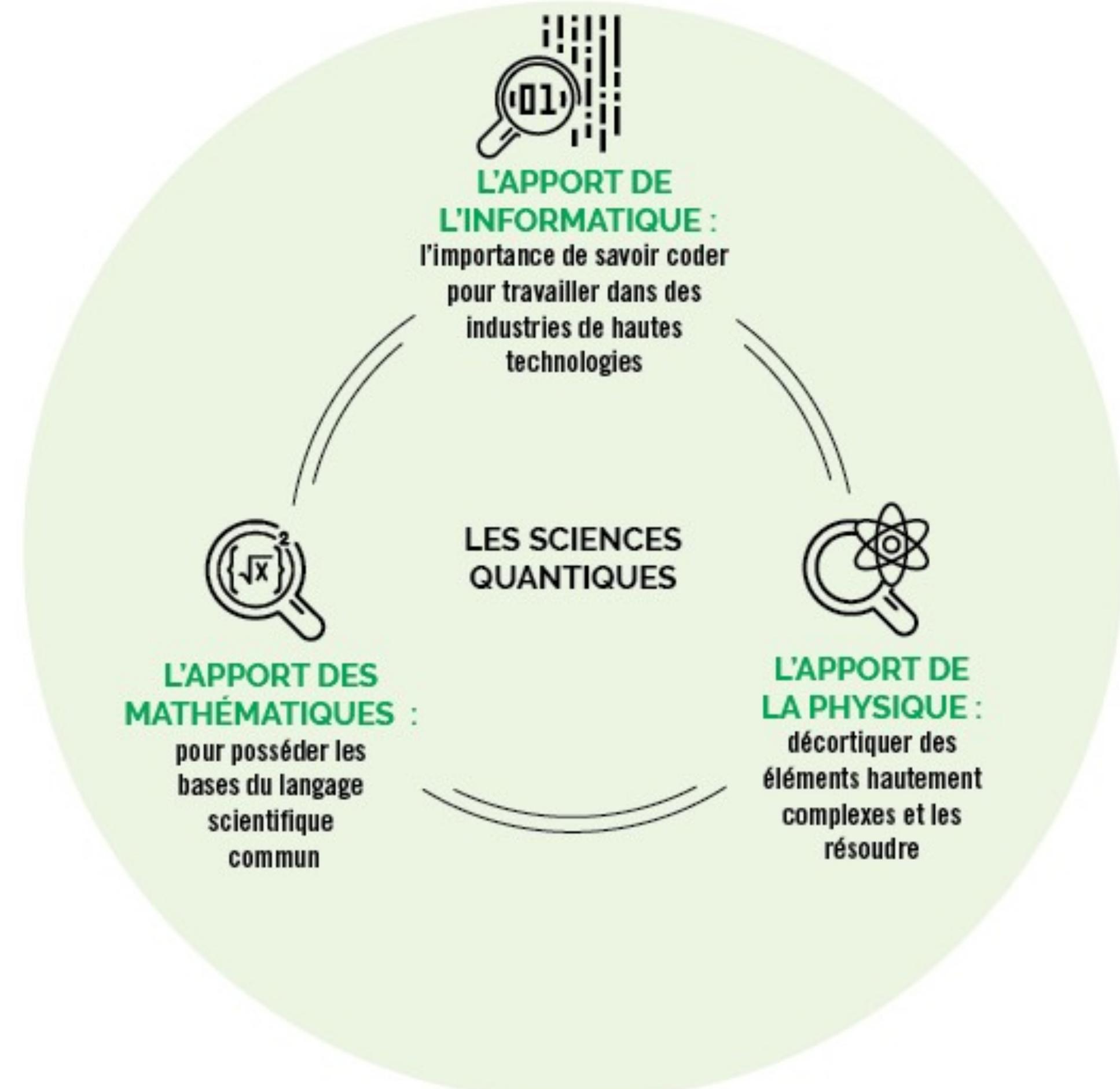
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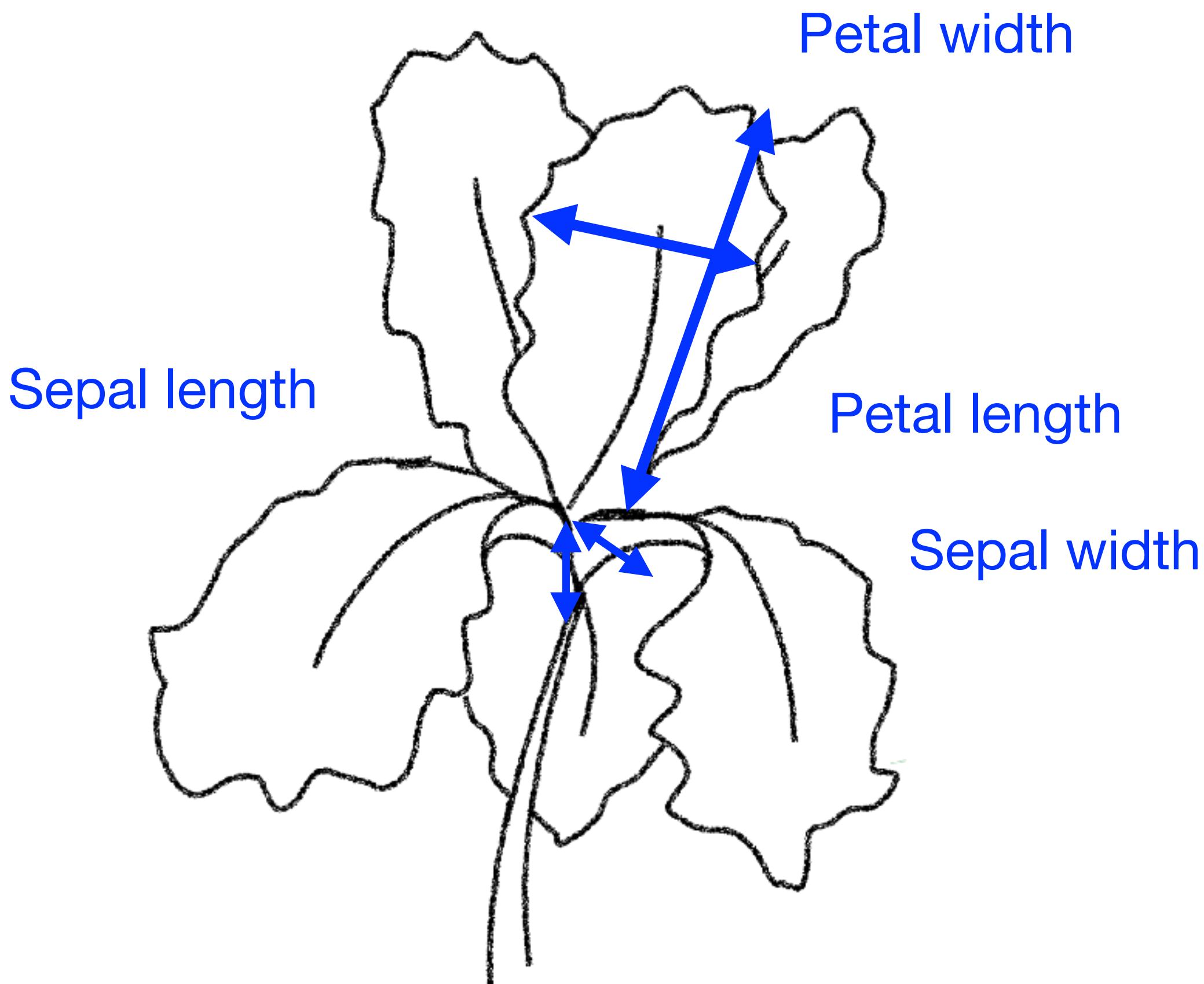
Our toy problem

Iris



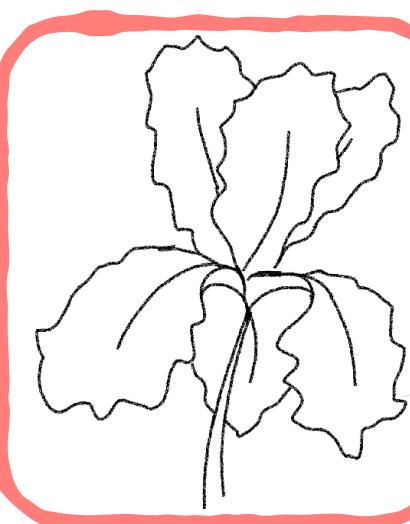
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Iris dataset

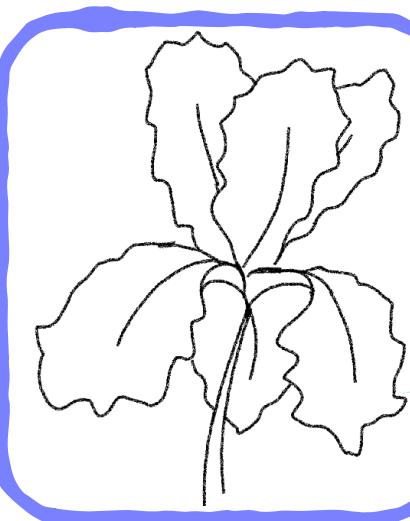


$$\vec{x} = [5.1, 3.5, 1.4, 0.2]$$

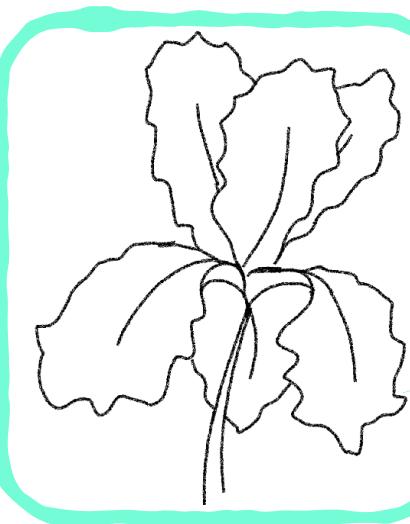
Three classes



Setosa



Versicolour



Virginica

Our toy problem

Dataset for binary classification

- Domain set

$$\mathcal{X} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{image of a flower} \end{array} \right\} = \{\vec{x}_i\} \quad \text{for example } \vec{x}_0 = [5.1, 3.5, 1.4, 0.2]$$

- Label set

$$\mathcal{Y} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{blue square} \\ \text{red square} \end{array} \right\} = \{0, 1\}$$

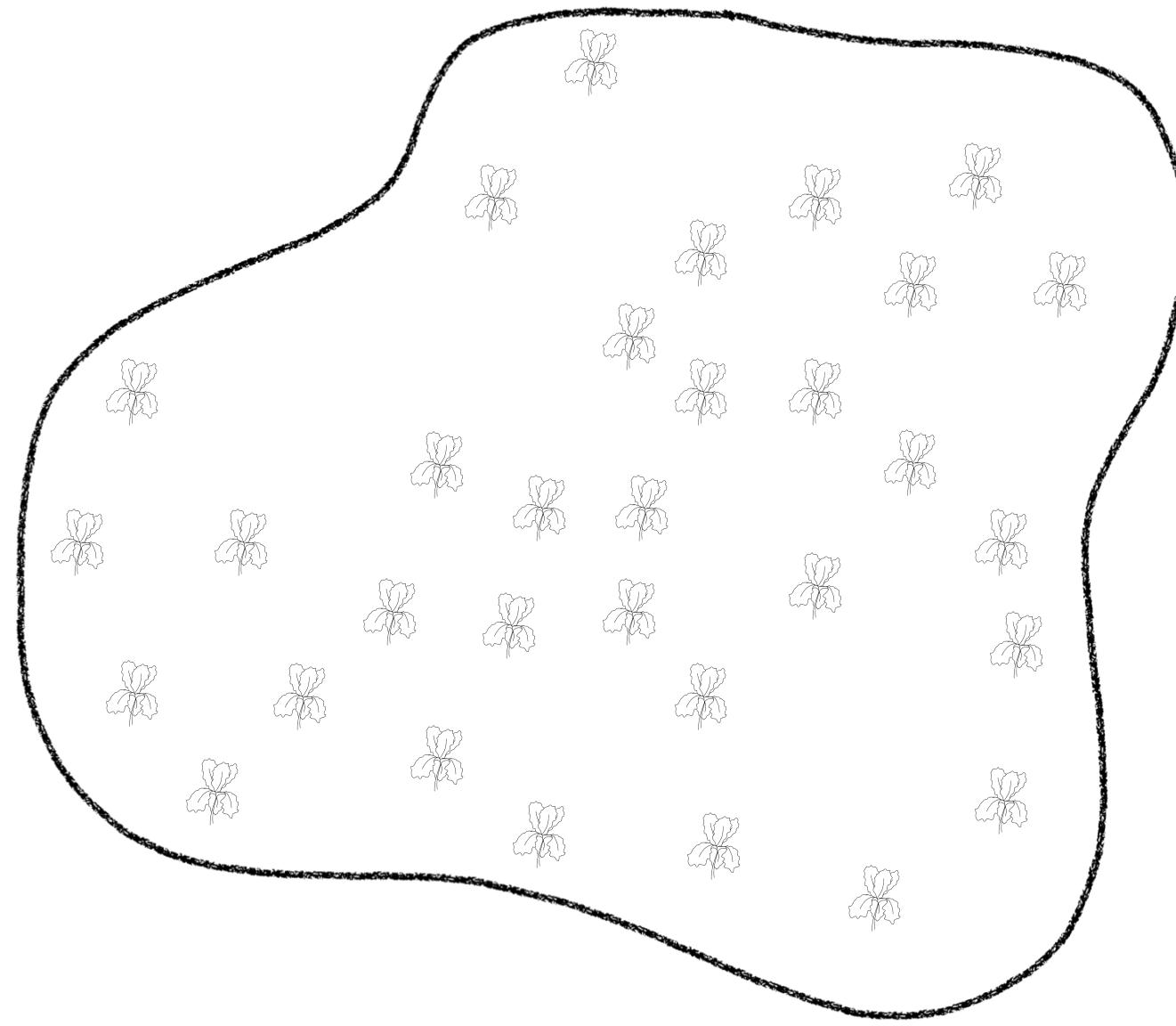
- Unknown, true labeling function

$$f\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{image of a flower} \end{array}\right) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{blue square} \\ \text{red square} \end{array} \right.$$

Our goal is to learn the true labeling function f !

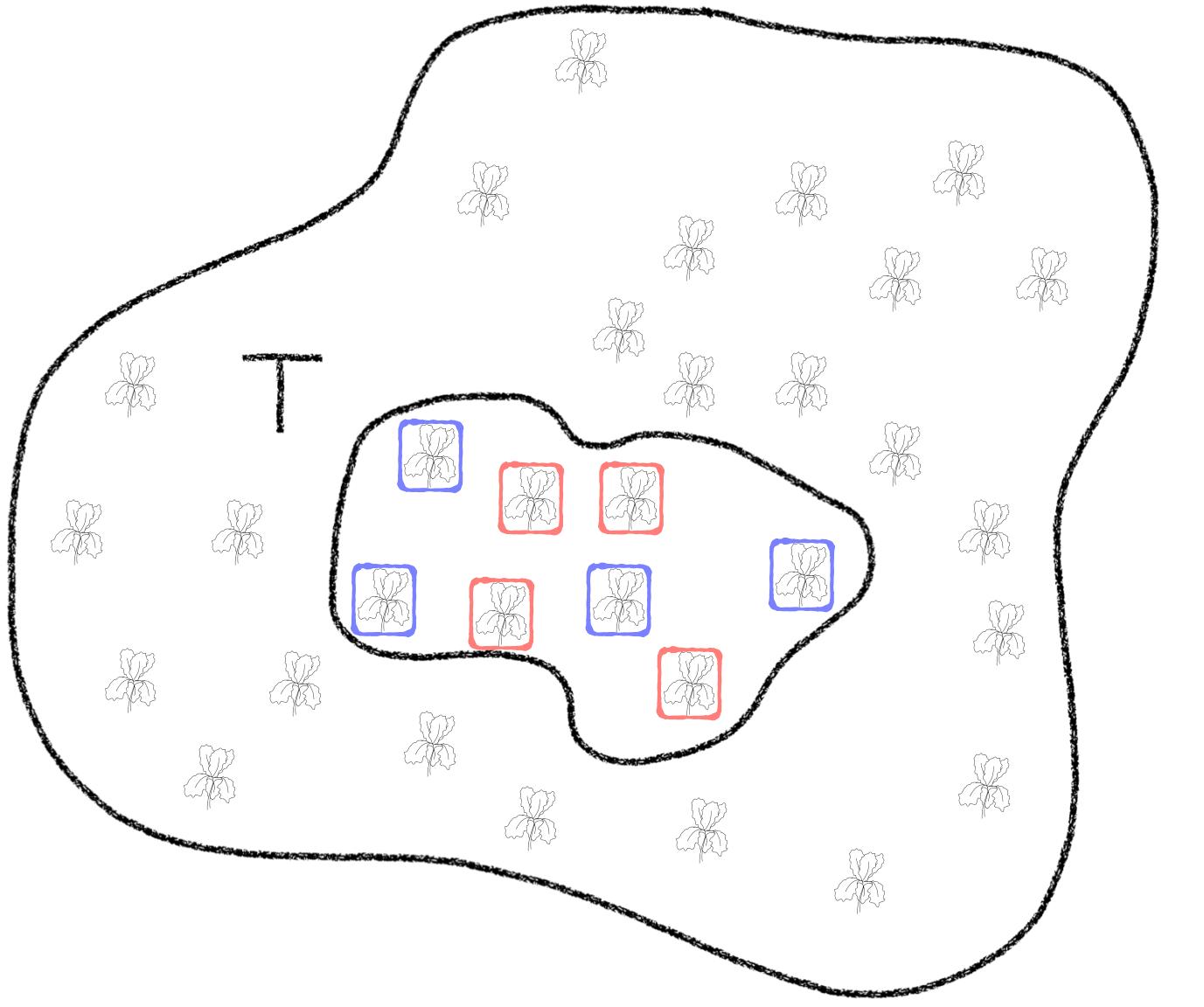
Our toy problem

Train and test set for supervised learning



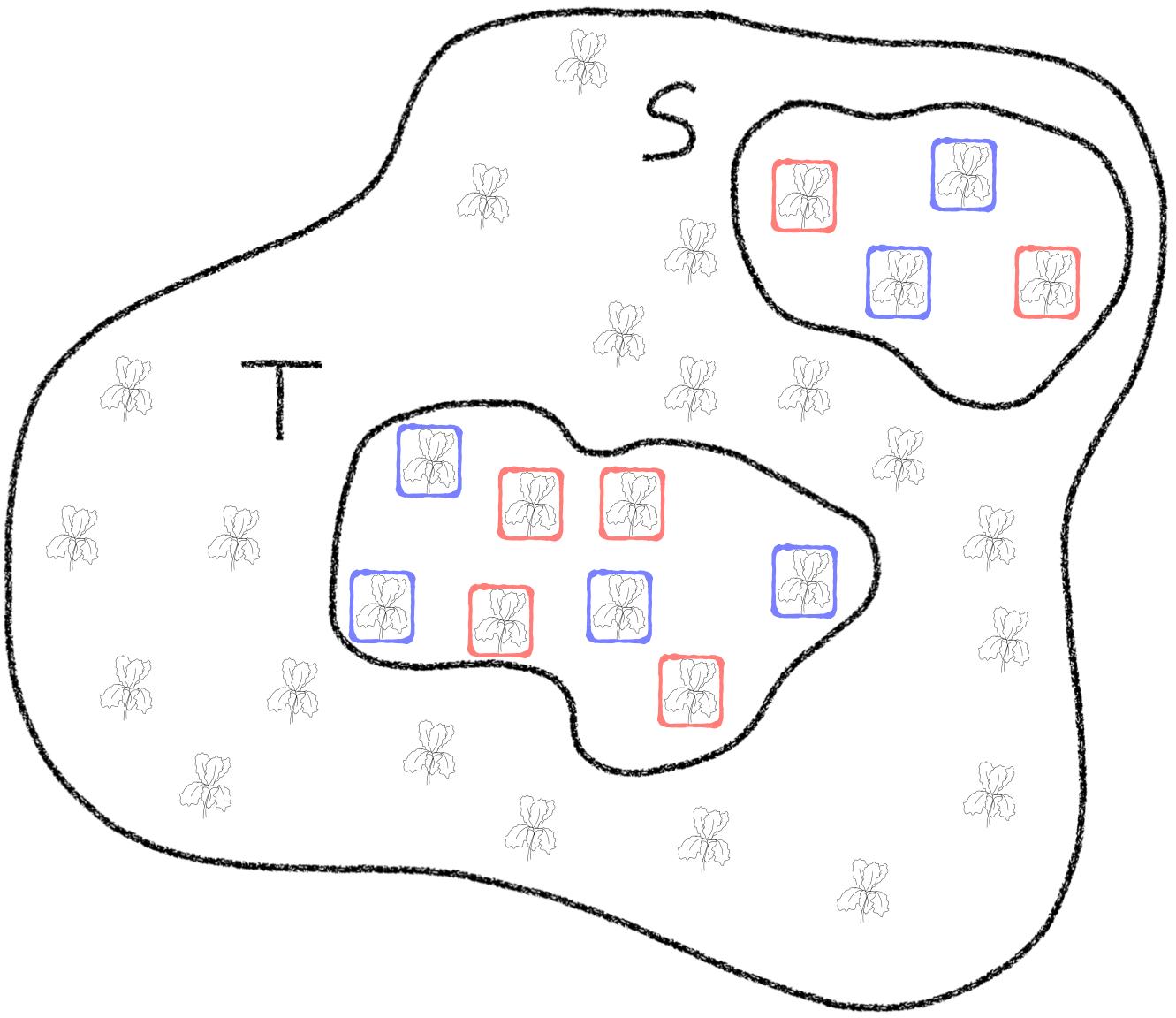
The set of all inputs
and labels

$$\mathcal{Z} = \{(\vec{x}_i, y_i)\} = \{(\vec{x}_i, f(\vec{x}_i))\}$$



Train set is a finite
sequence of pairs

$$T = ((\vec{x}_1, y_1), (\vec{x}_2, y_2), \dots, (\vec{x}_m, y_m))$$



Test set is used to measure
how well the classifier
performs on unseen data

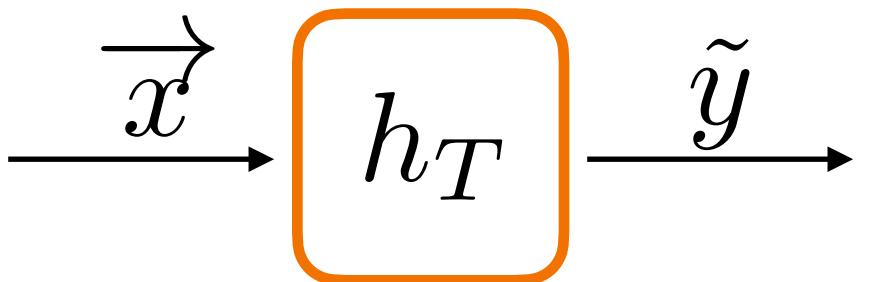
$$S = ((\vec{x}_1, y_1), (\vec{x}_2, y_2), \dots, (\vec{x}_r, y_r))$$

Classification in machine learning

Classifier and the learning algorithm

- **Classifier h_T**

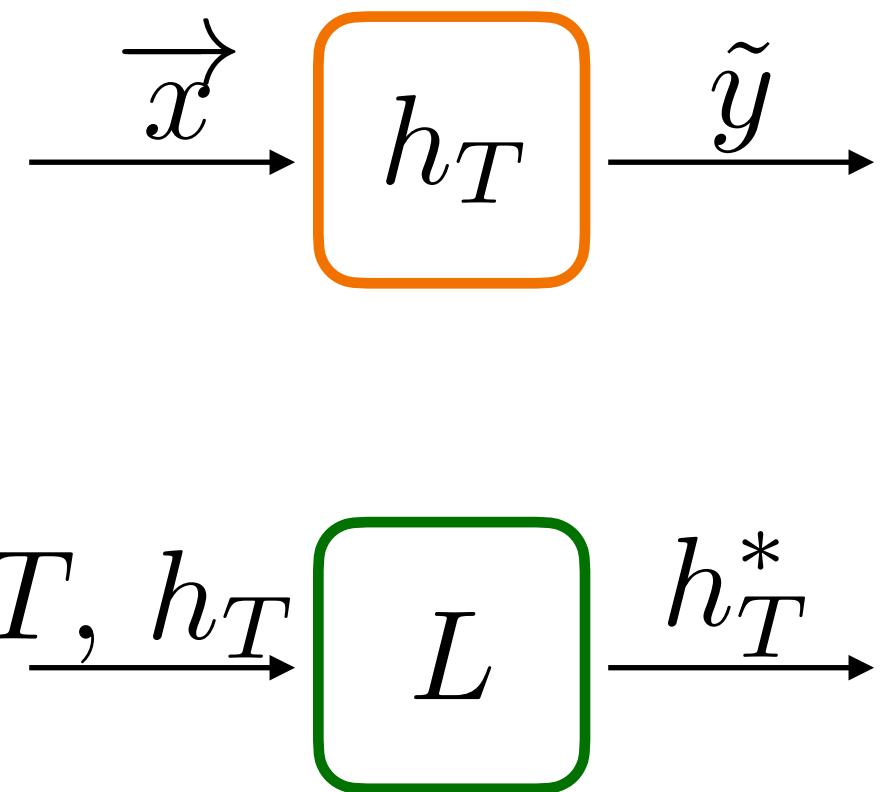
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Classification in machine learning

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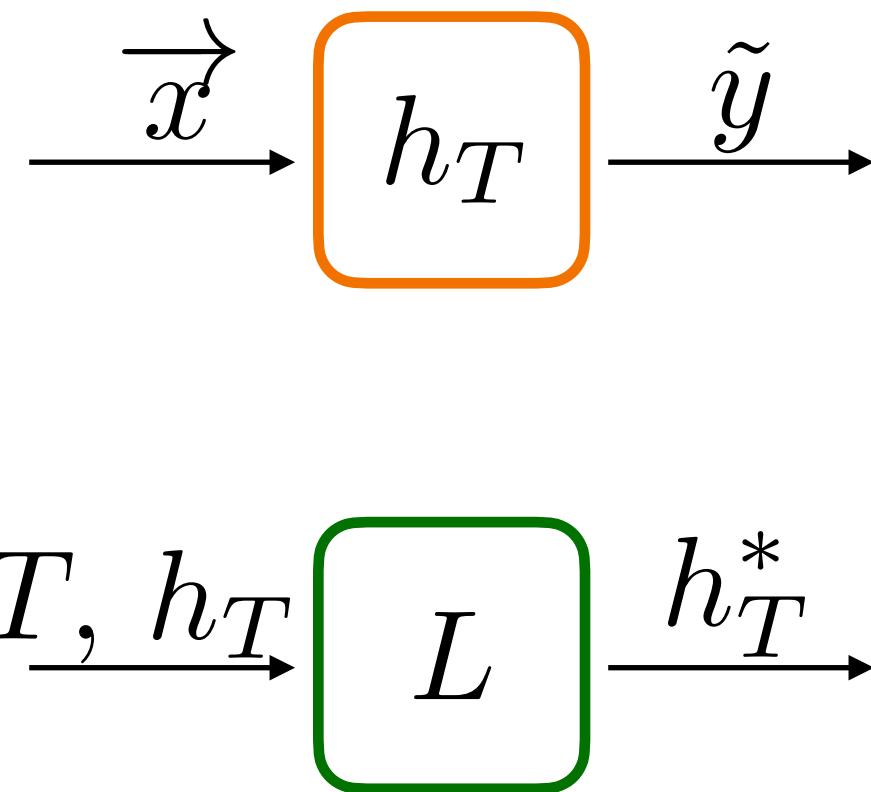
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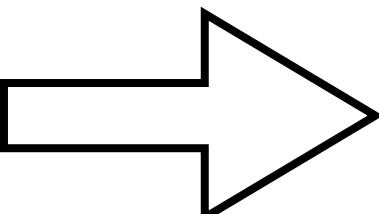
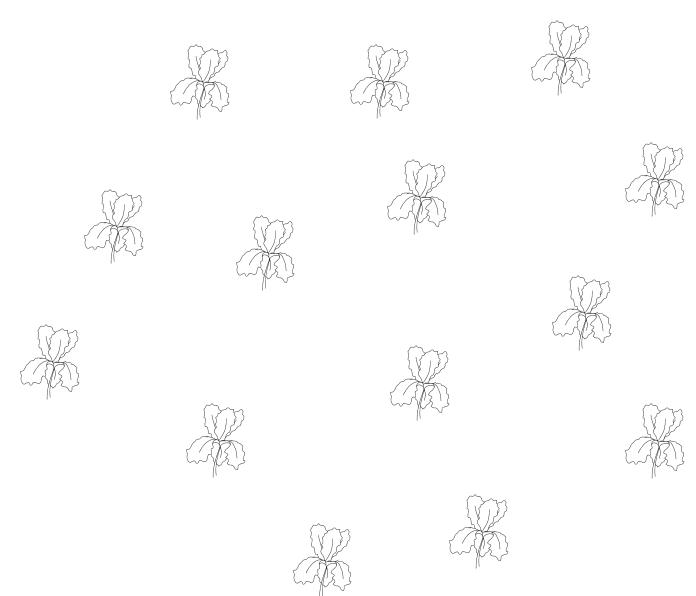
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- **Error** of a classifier is the probability that it does not predict the correct label on a random data point
- Goal of the algorithm is to find h_T that **minimizes the error**.



Classification in machine learning

The objective of this activity

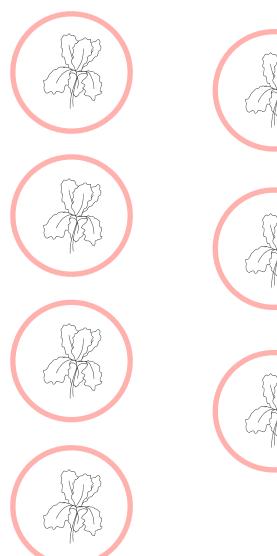
Input data (\vec{x})



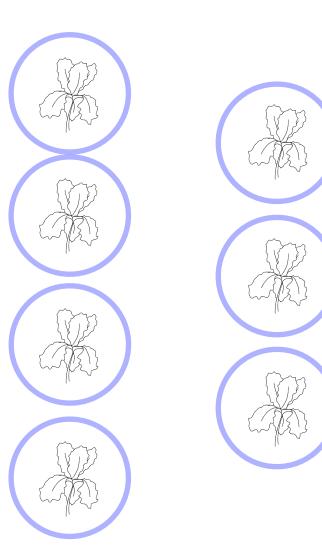
$$h_T(\text{flower icon}) = \begin{cases} \text{blue circle} \\ \text{red circle} \end{cases} \rightarrow$$

Output data (\tilde{y})

Setosa



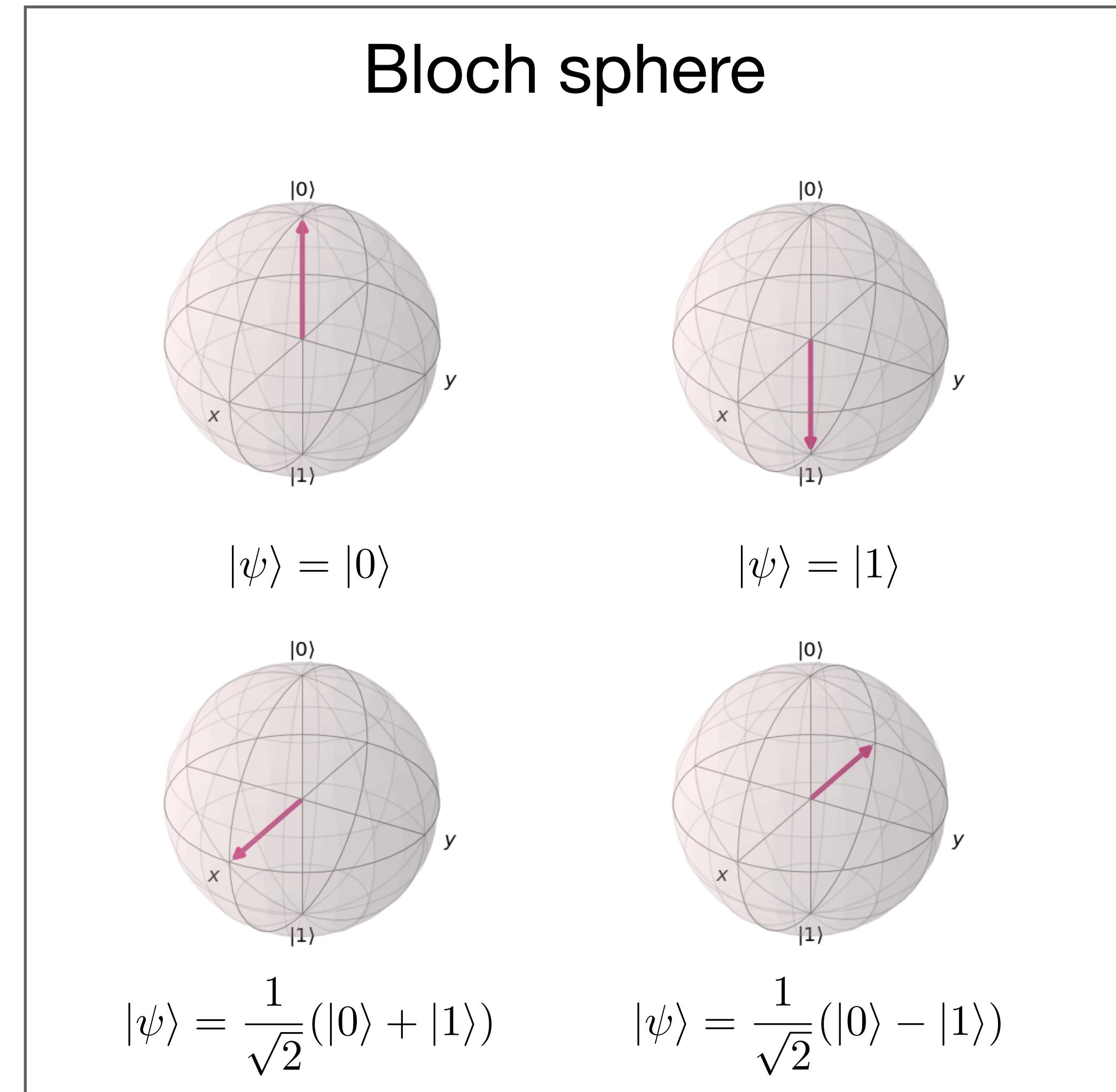
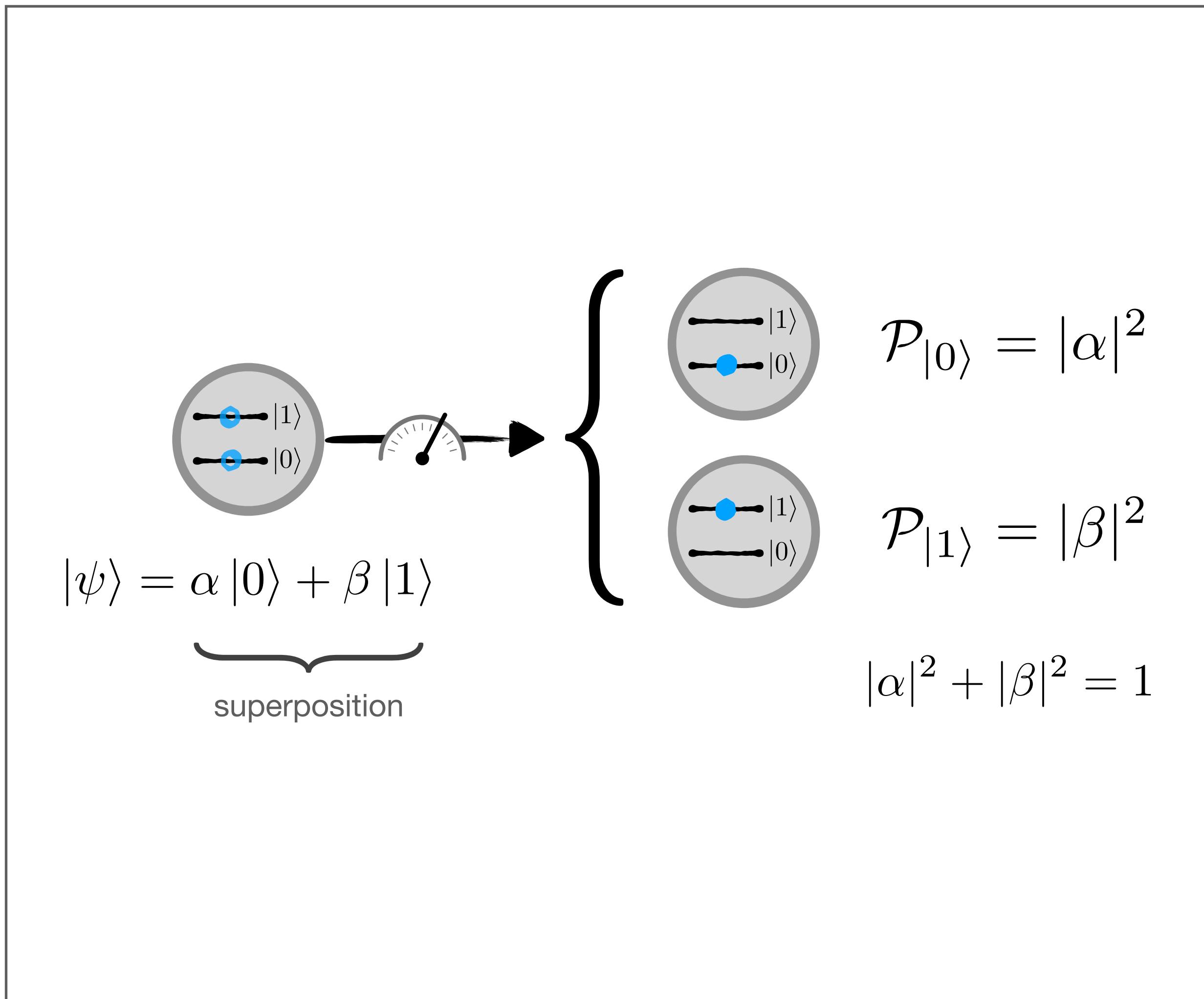
Versicolor



How can we use the quantum computer to define and train a classifier?

Quantum refresher

1-qubit state



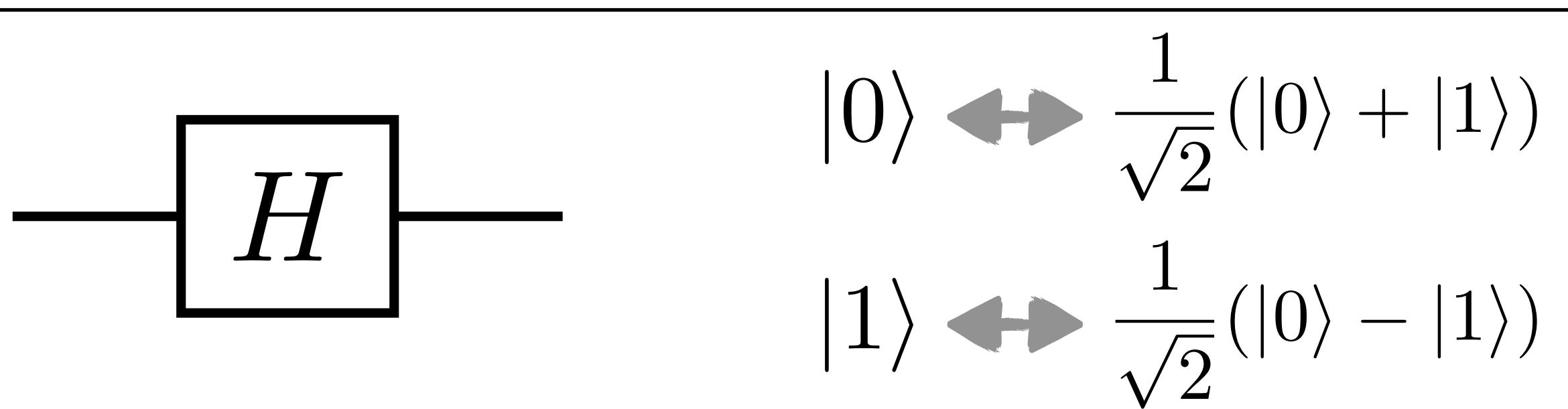
Quantum refresher

1-qubit gates

X gate (NOT)



Hadamard's gate



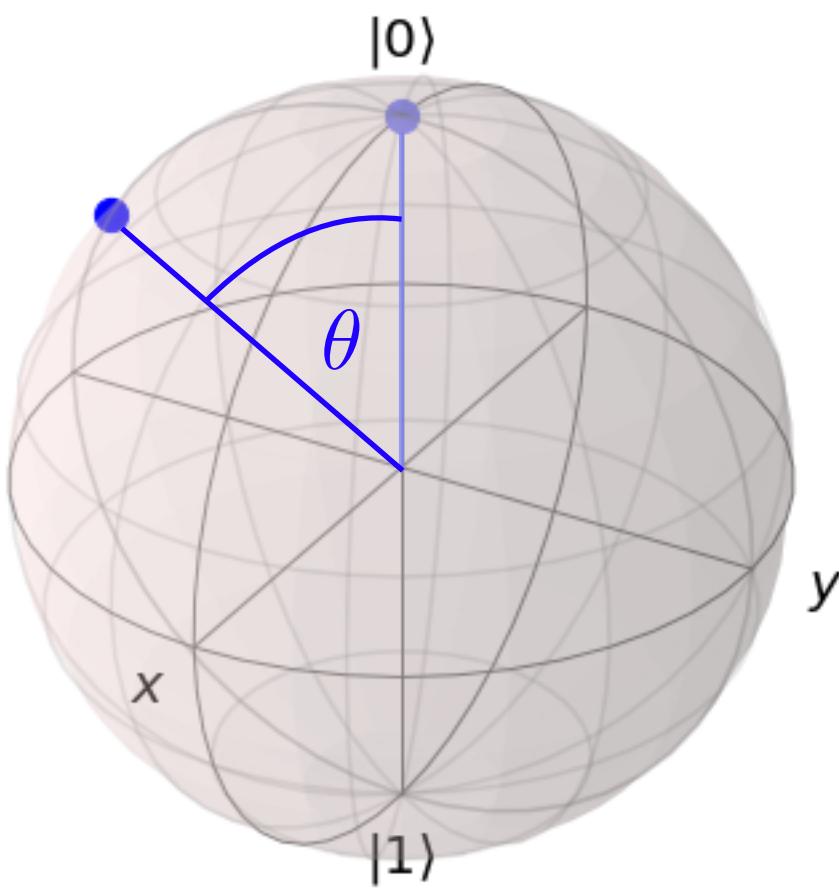
Z gate



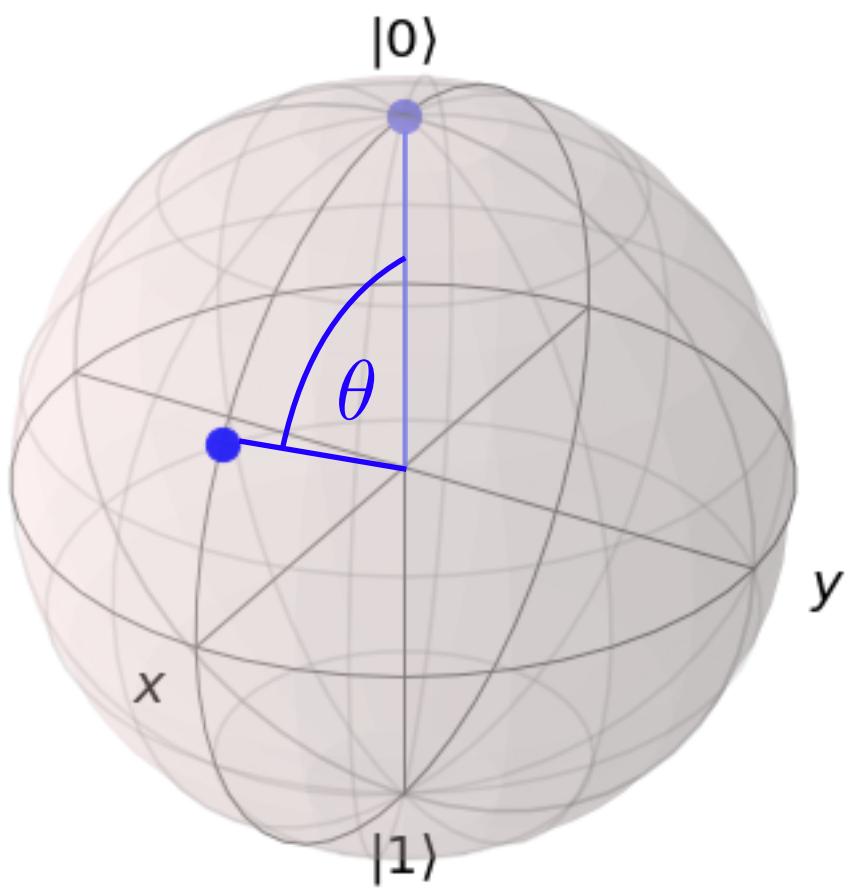
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1-qubit parametrized gates

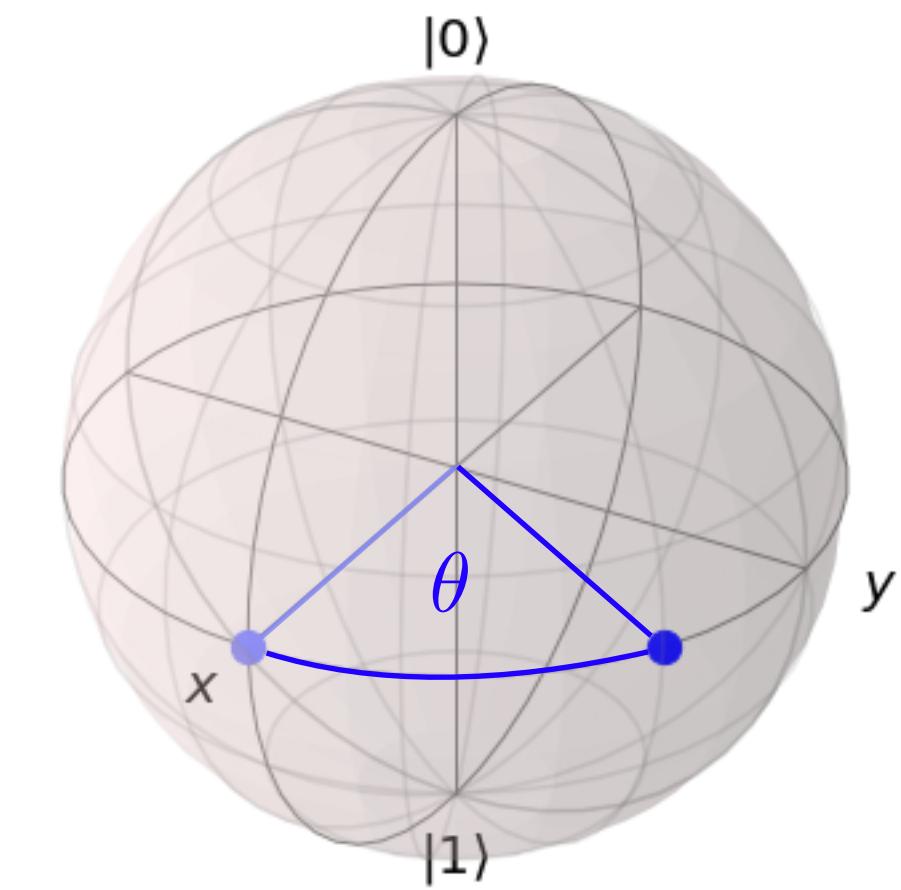
The state of a qubit can be rotated by an arbitrary angle θ along the X , Y and Z axis



$R_x(\pi/3)$



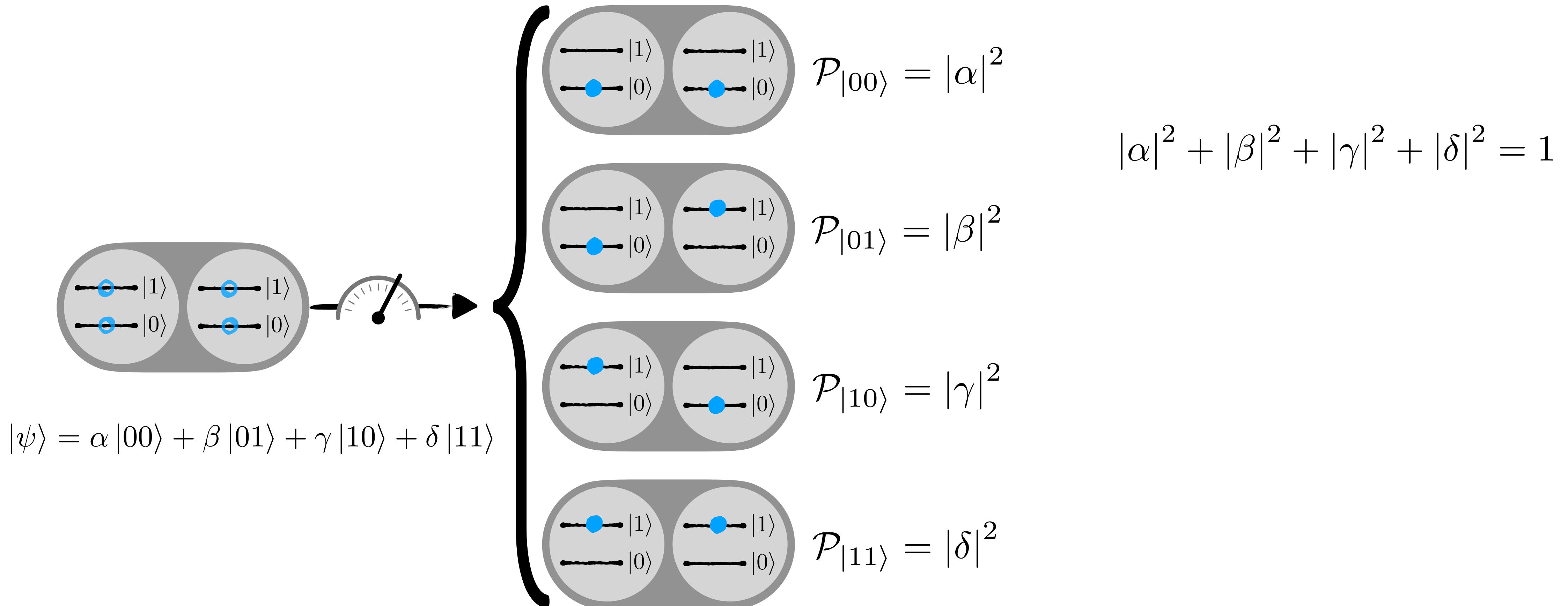
$R_y(\pi/3)$



$R_z(\pi/3)$

Quantum refresher

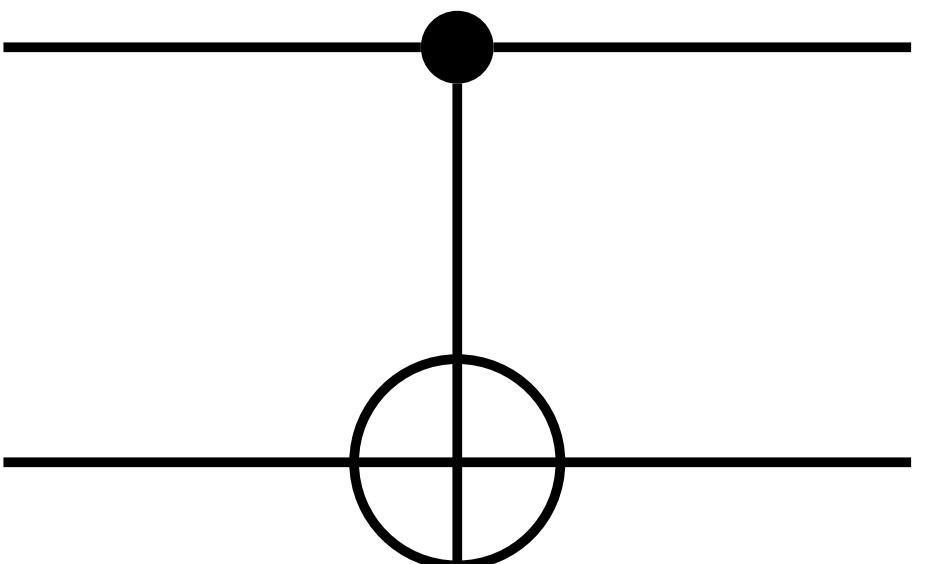
2-qubits state



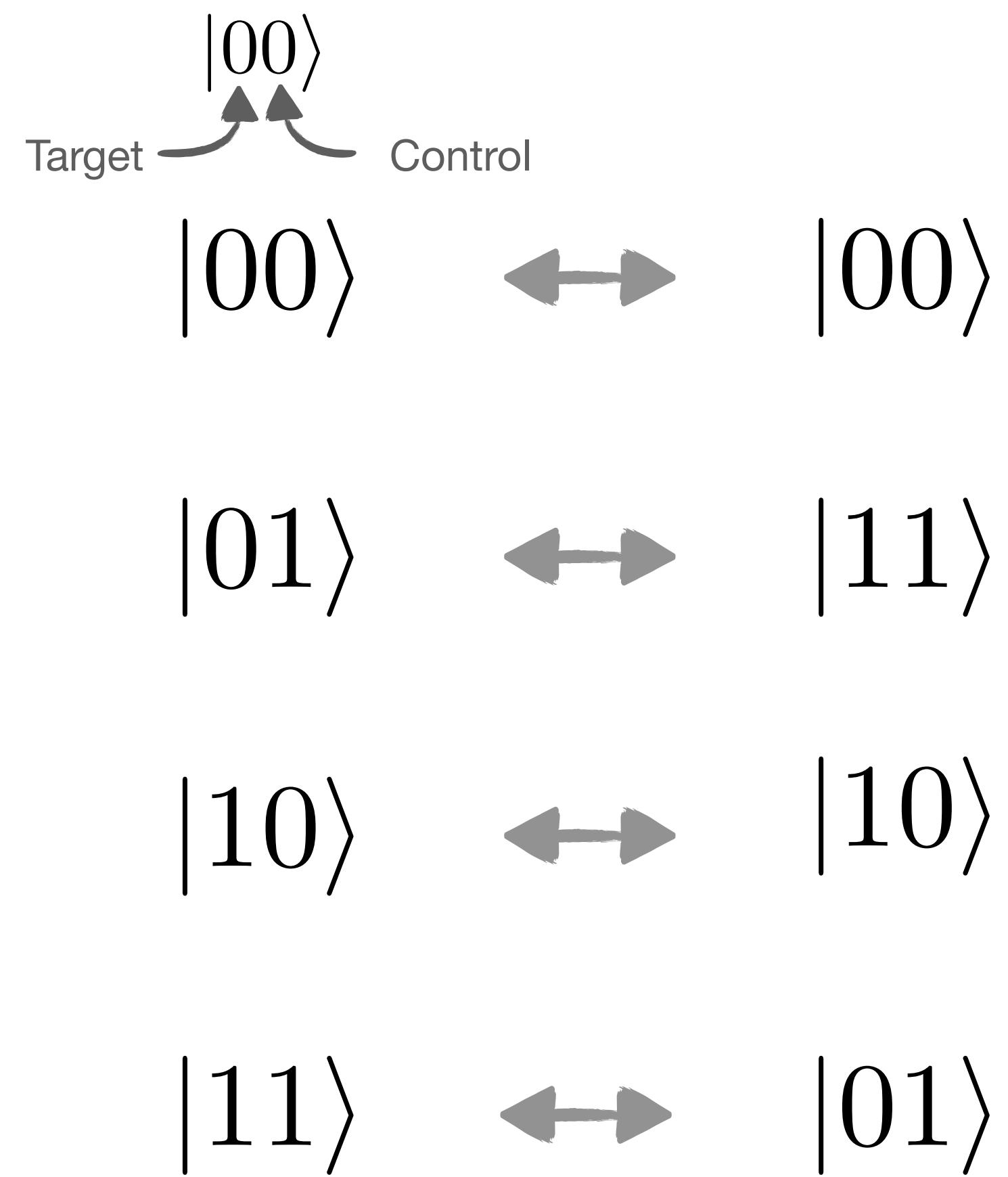
Quantum refresher

2-qubit gates

Controlled X gate (*CNOT*)



CNOT gate creates
entanglement
between qubits!



Quantum refresher

Lab 1

Objectives

- Introduce the Iris dataset
- Visualize the application of gates on the Bloch sphere
- Build a quantum circuit with Qiskit
- Run an experiment on a backend and observe results

Exercice

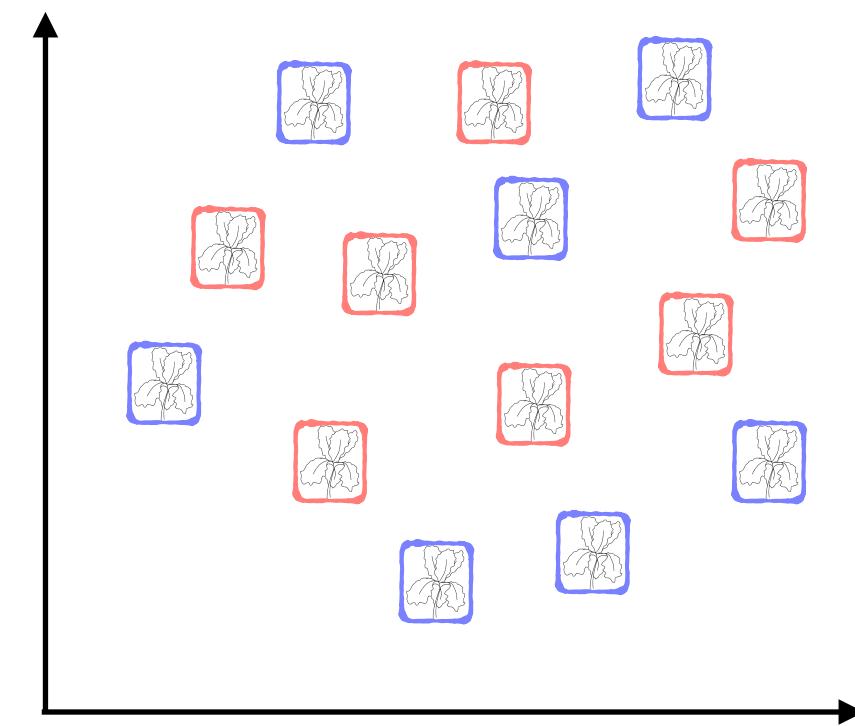
- Build a given quantum circuit

[Colab link Lab1](#)

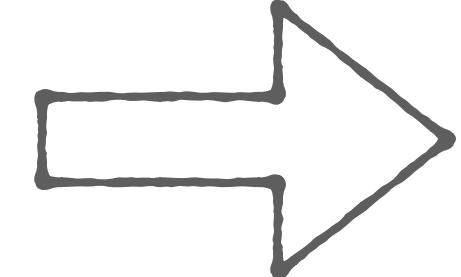
Data embedding (feature map)

Projection into quantum feature space

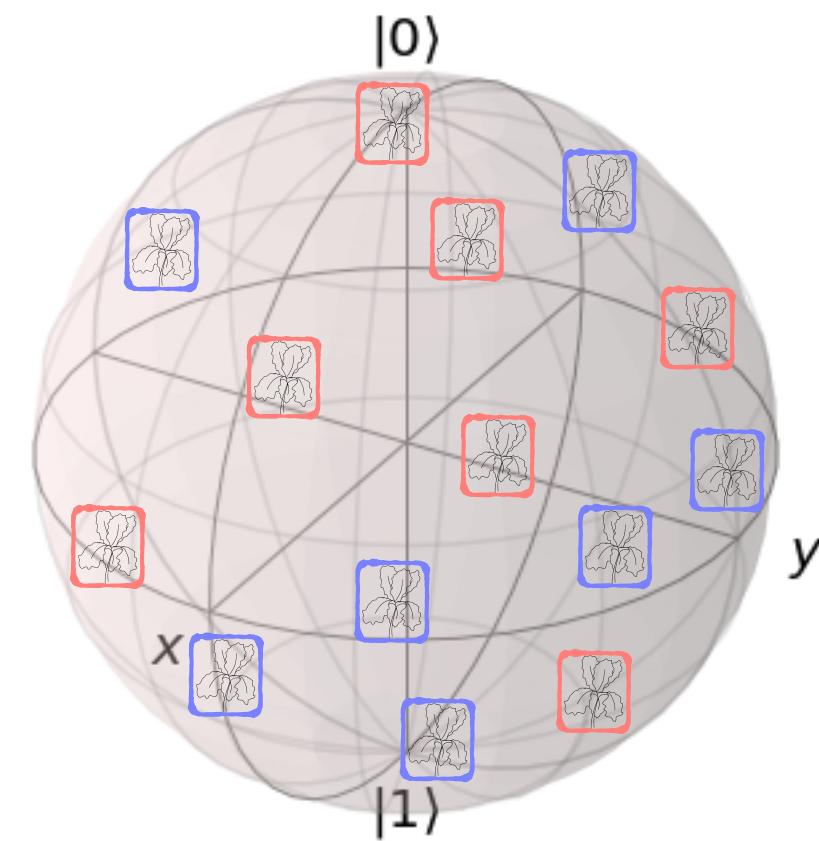
Classical data space



Quantum
embedding



Quantum feature space



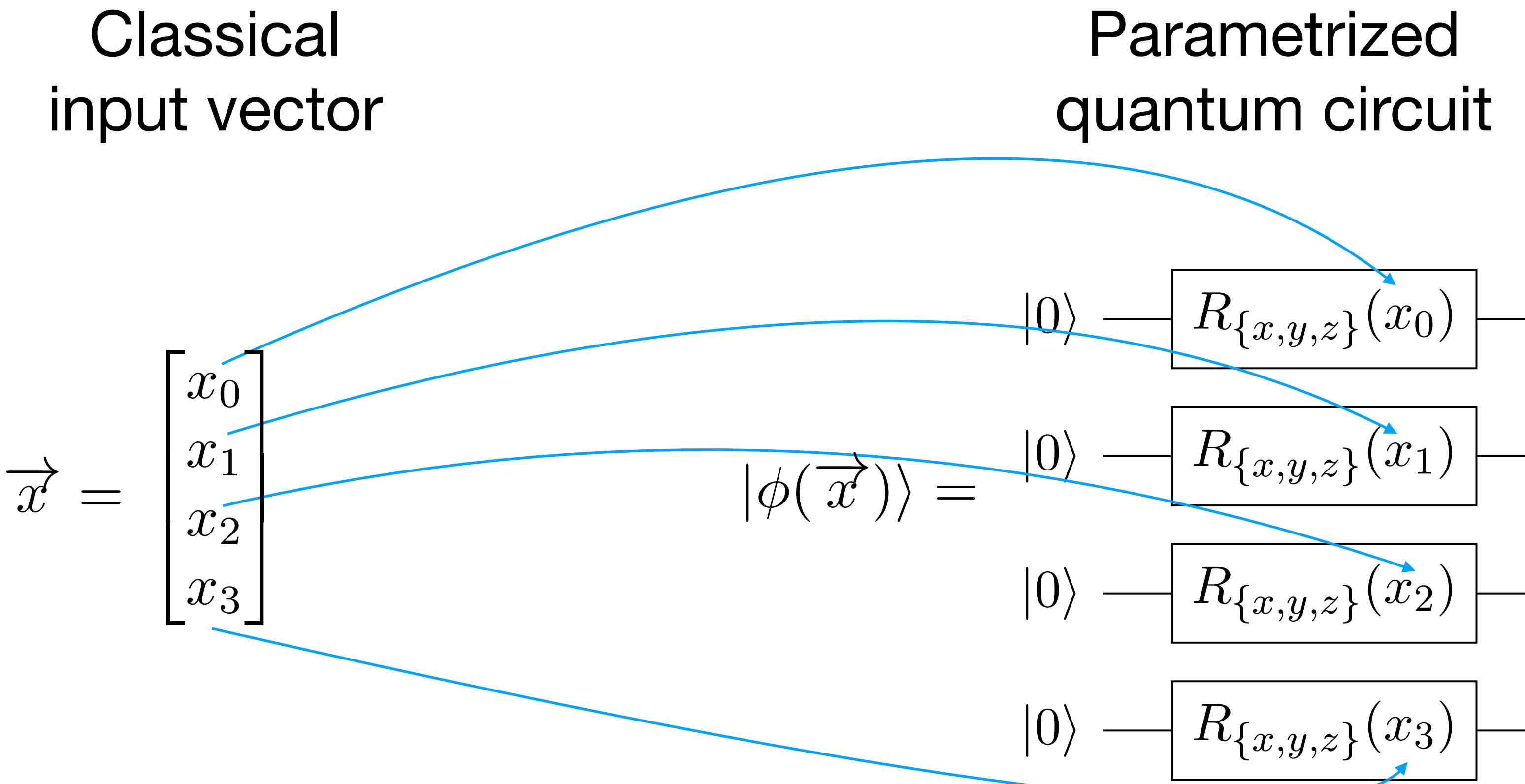
Two approaches:

- Angle embedding

- Amplitude embedding

Data embedding

Angle embedding



N features can be embedded in the rotation angles of *n* qubits

Data embedding

Amplitude embedding

Classical
input vector

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

normalized $\rightarrow \|\vec{x}\|^2 = |x_0|^2 + |x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2 + |x_3|^2 = 1$

Quantum state

$$|\phi(\vec{x})\rangle = x_0|00\rangle + x_1|01\rangle + x_2|10\rangle + x_3|11\rangle$$

N features can be embedded in the amplitudes of $\log(N)$ qubits

Data embedding

Amplitude embedding - examples

Classical data

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3.5 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Normalized data

$$\vec{\tilde{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{\tilde{x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{17.25}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3.5 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Quantum state

$$|\phi(\vec{x})\rangle = |00\rangle$$

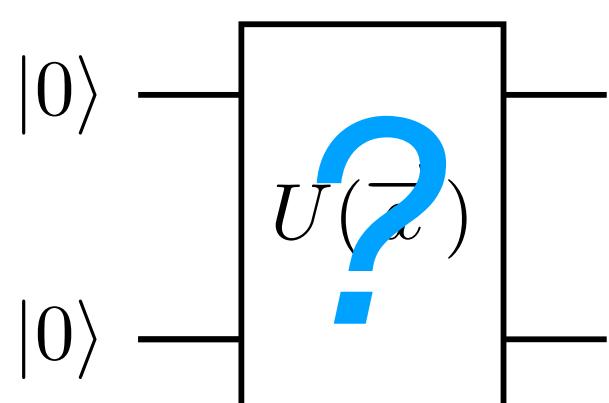
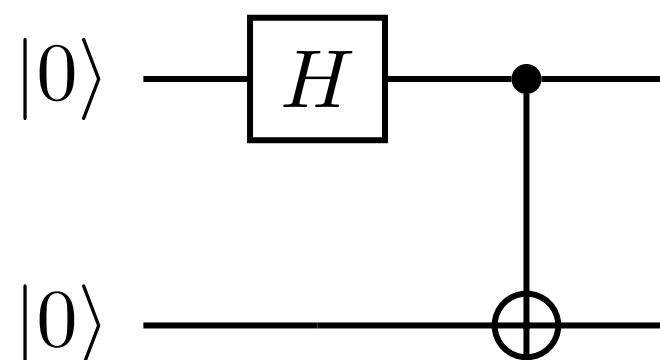
$$|\phi(\vec{x})\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

$$|\phi(\vec{x})\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{17.25}}(|00\rangle + 3.5|01\rangle - 2|10\rangle)$$

Quantum circuit

$|0\rangle$ —

$|0\rangle$ —



Data embedding

Lab 2

Objectives

- Map 1D data in quantum feature space with angle embedding
- Angle and amplitude embedding with the Iris dataset
- Qiskit quantum feature maps as embedding methods

Exercice

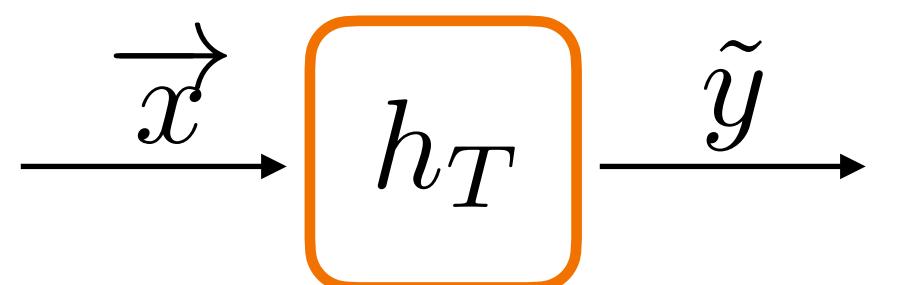
- Implement a quantum feature map

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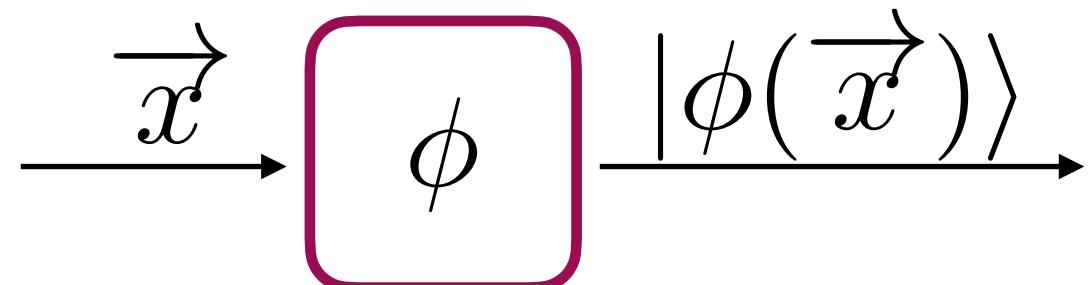
Quantum classifier

From data embedding to classifier

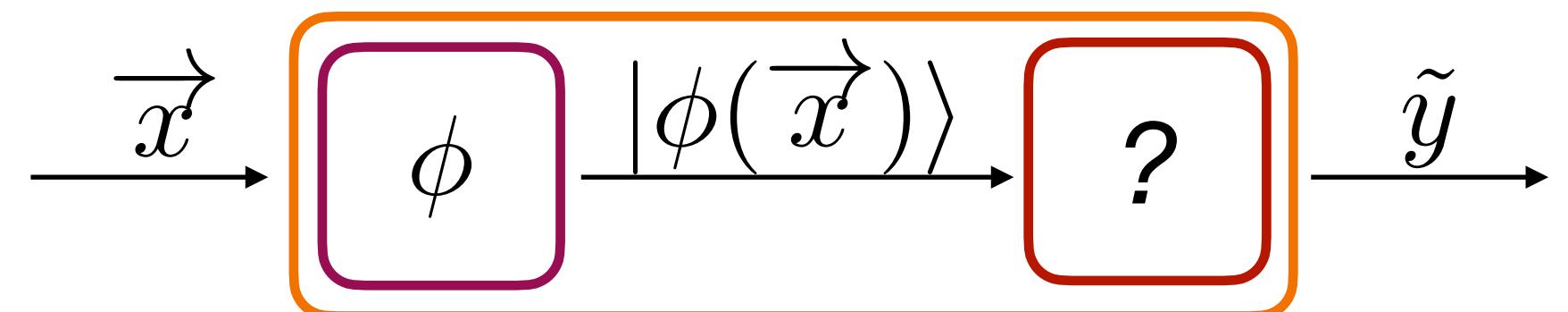
- Classifier



- Quantum embedding

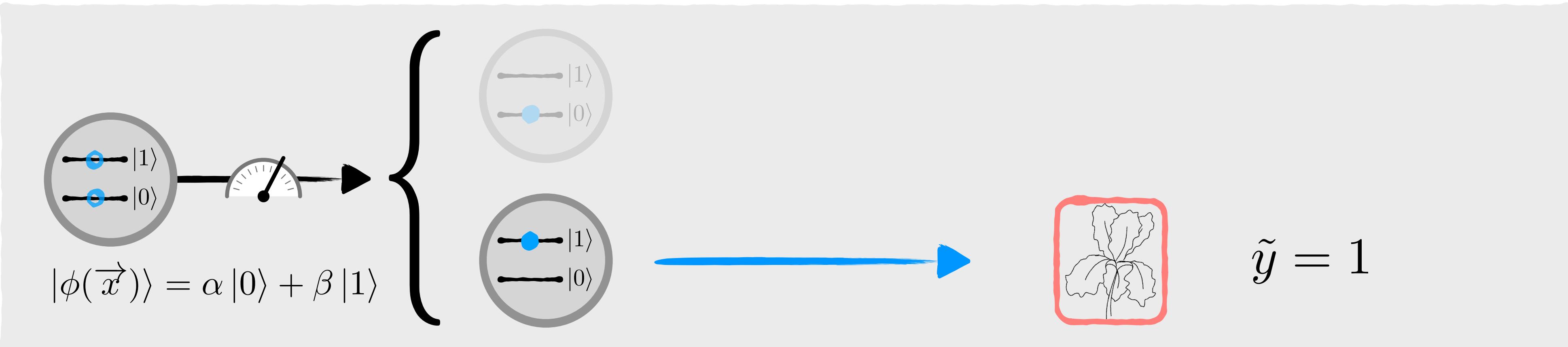
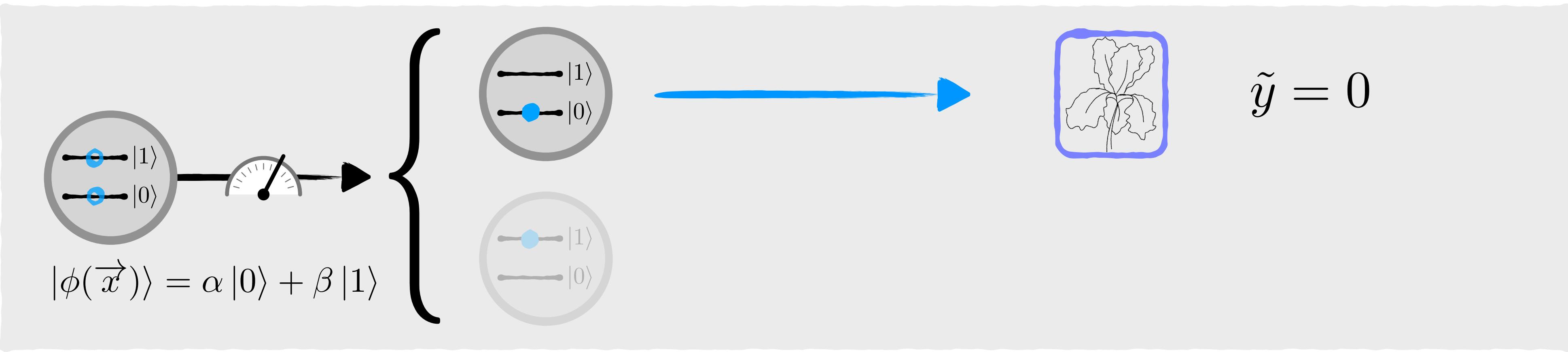


- A piece is missing!



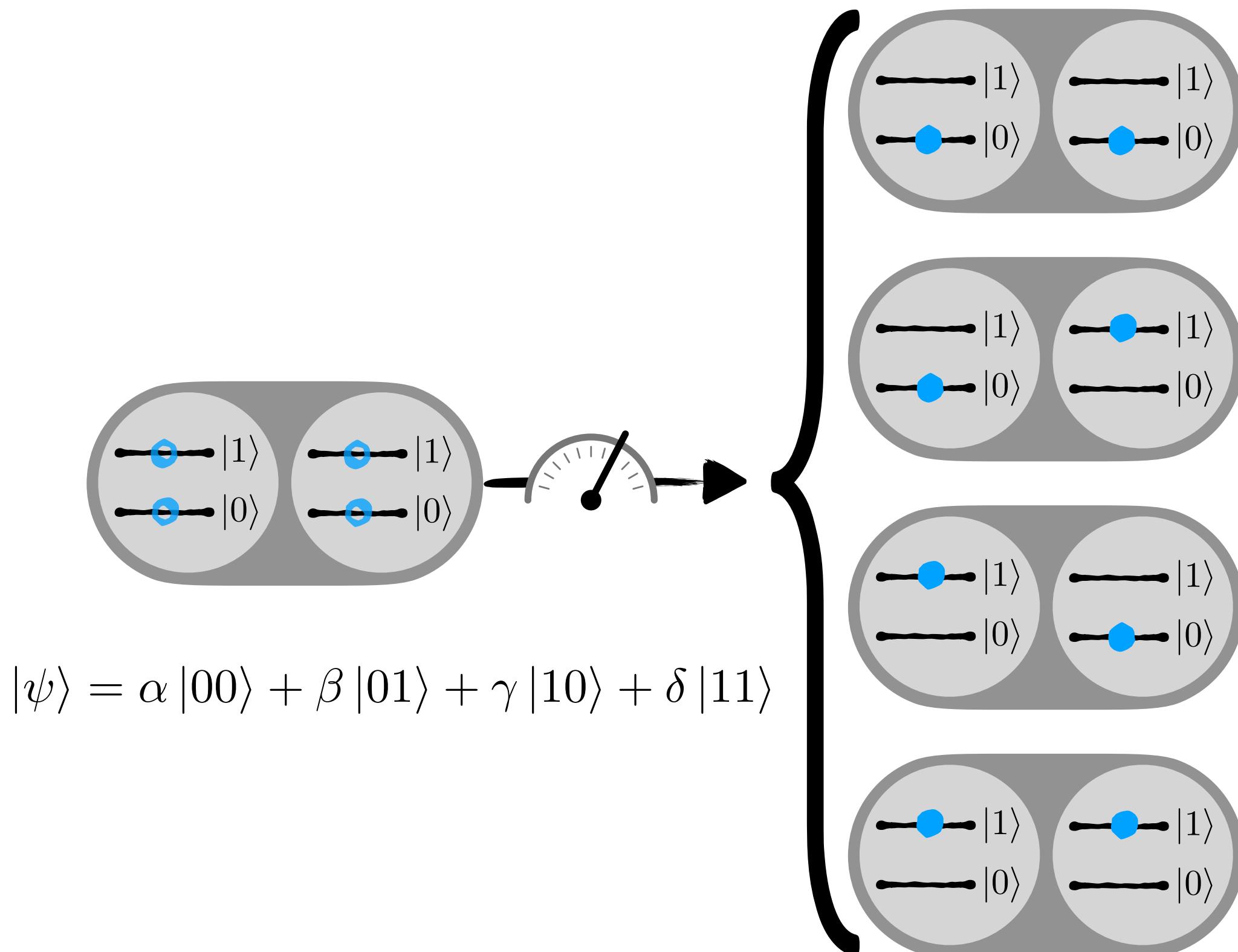
Quantum classifier

Measurement and interpretation function for 1 qubit



Quantum classifier

Measurement and interpretation function for 2 qubits



The interpretation function takes as input two bits

00
01
10
11

and should return 0 or 1.

We have a few options!

Quantum classifier

Measurement and interpretation function for 2 qubits

0 0

0 1

1 0

1 1

Quantum classifier

Measurement and interpretation function for 2 qubits

1st qubit only		
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/> $\tilde{y} = 0$
0	1	<input type="checkbox"/> $\tilde{y} = 1$
1	0	<input type="checkbox"/> $\tilde{y} = 0$
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Quantum classifier

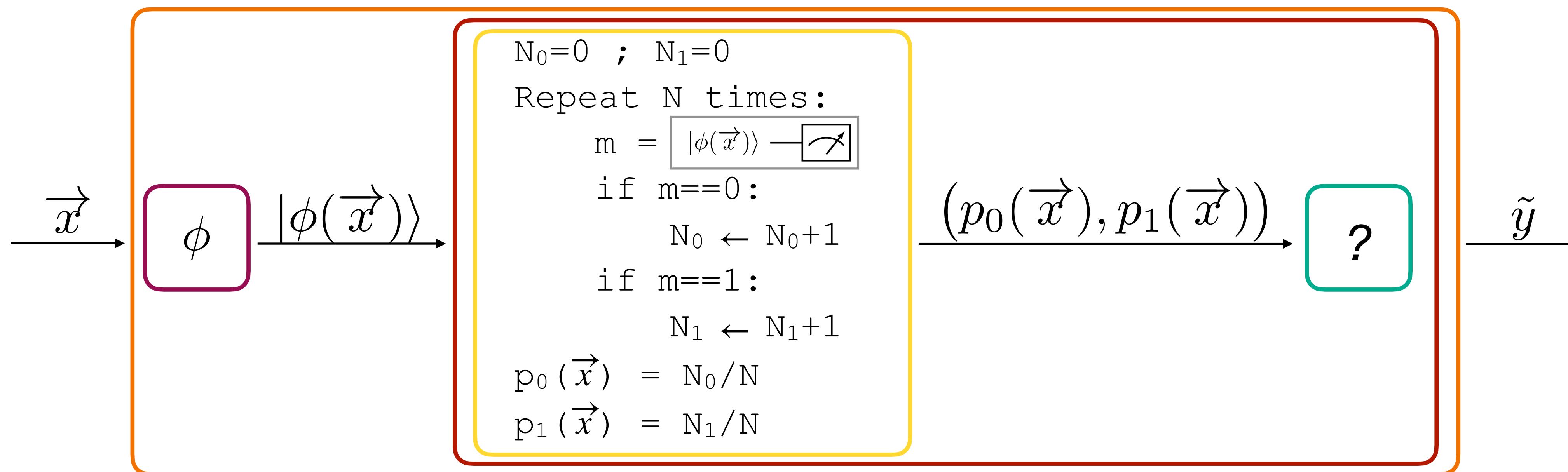
Measurement and interpretation function for 2 qubits

		1st qubit only	parity
		$\tilde{y} = 0$	$\tilde{y} = 0$
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0	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Quantum classifier

Expectation value of the interpretation function

- The outcome of the measurement of a quantum state is **probabilistic**.
- We have to repeat the state preparation and the measurement **many times**.
- Result is a **probability** that input \vec{x} belongs to the 0/1 class.



Quantum classifier

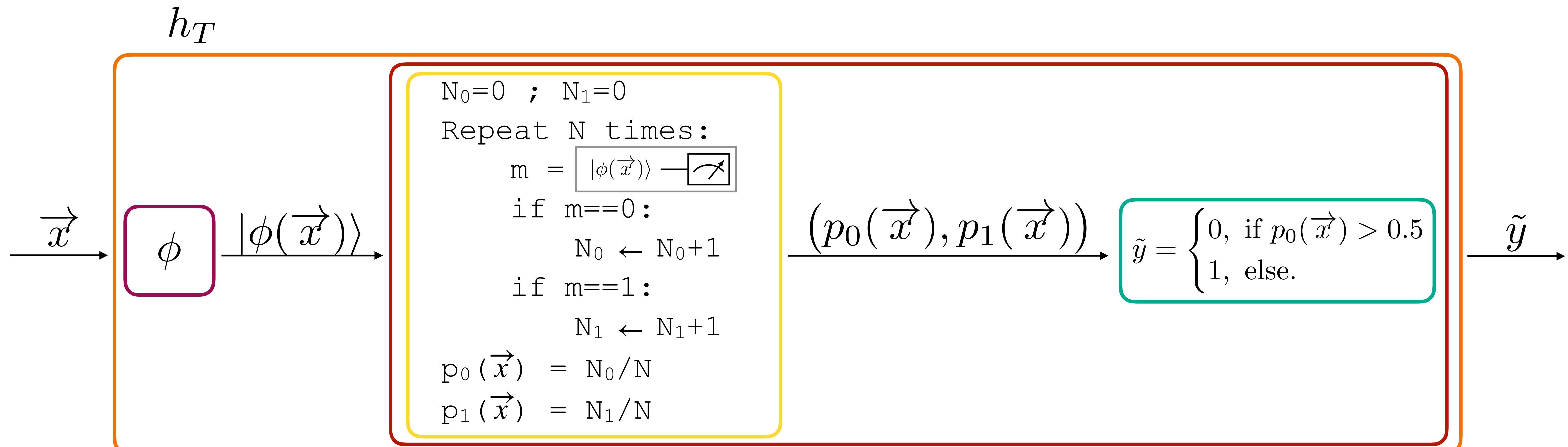
Decision rule

We assign the label based on the following decision rule

$$\xrightarrow{(p_0(\vec{x}), p_1(\vec{x}))} \boxed{\tilde{y} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } p_0(\vec{x}) > 0.5 \\ 1, & \text{else.} \end{cases}} \xrightarrow{\tilde{y}}$$

Quantum classifier

A (first) definition of a quantum classifier



Quantum classifier

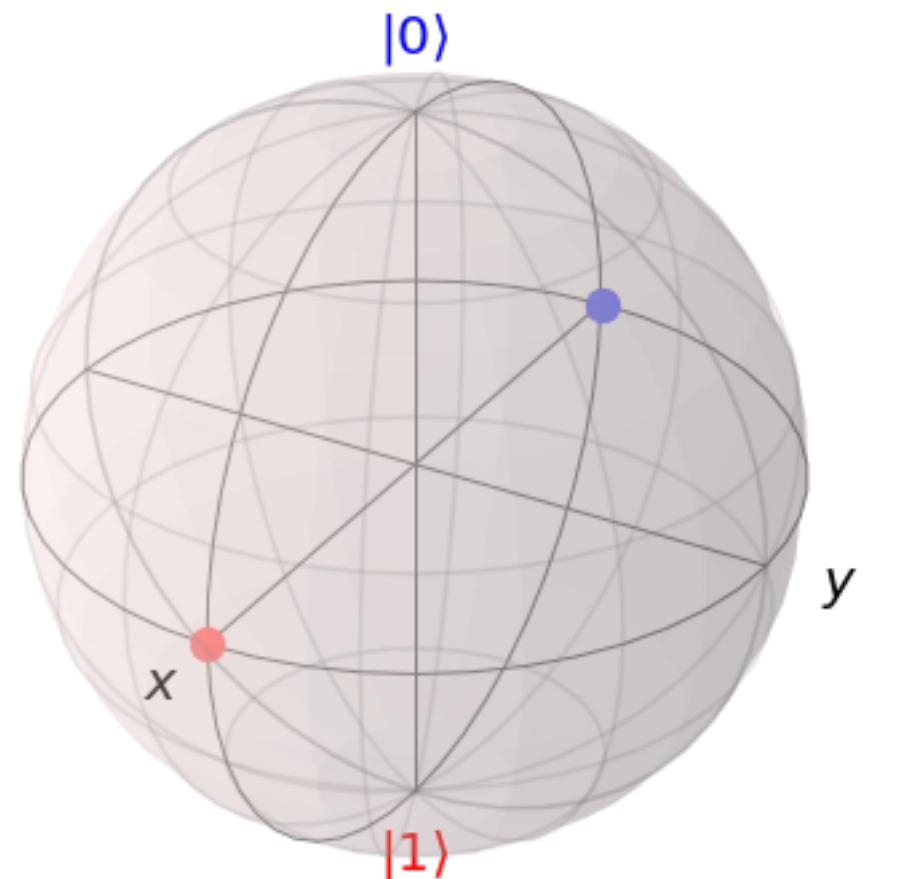
Example of what can go wrong

- Dataset composed of two points

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1)\} = \{(+1, 0), (-1, 1)\}$$

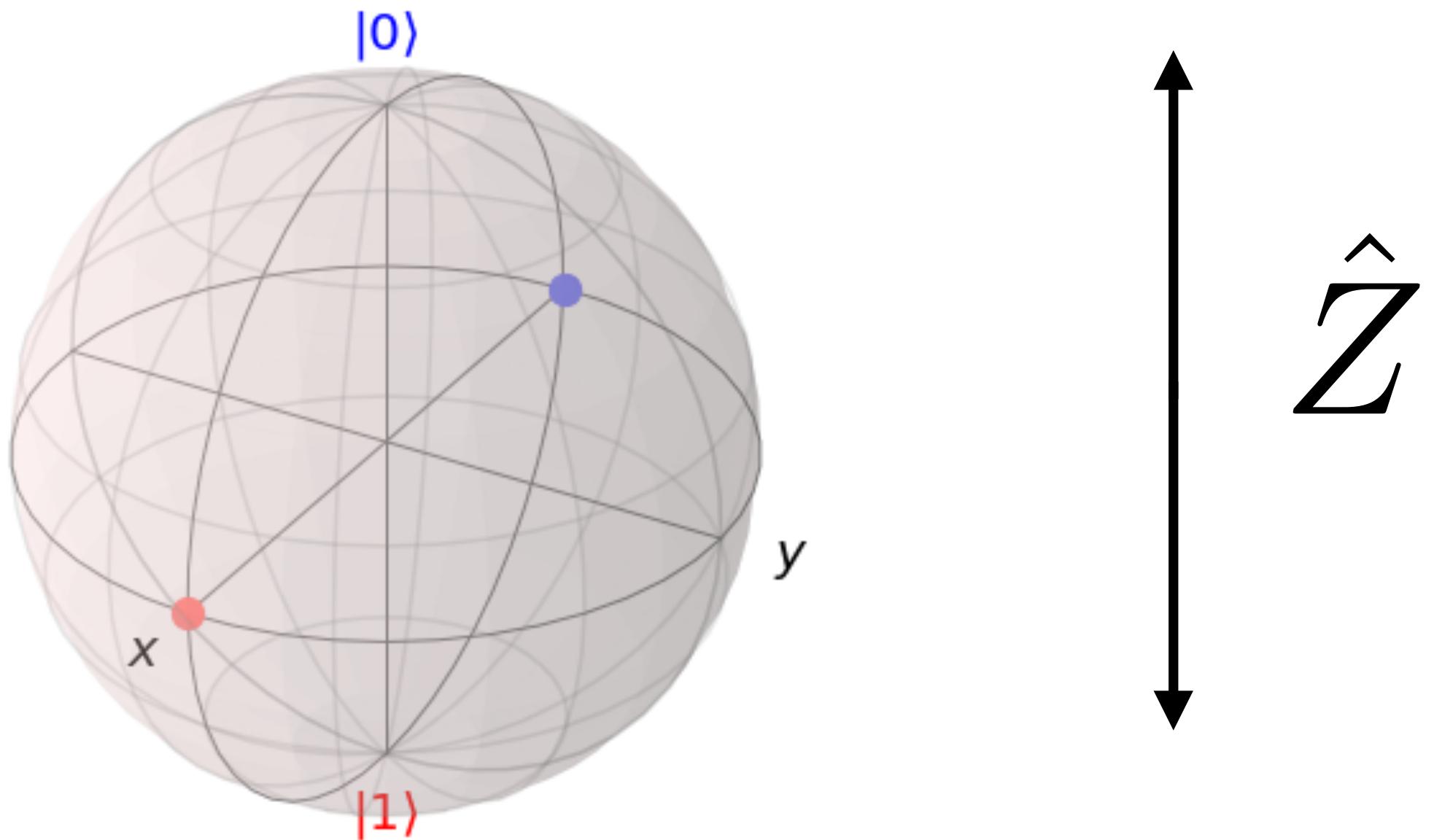
- Angle embedding

$$\phi(x) = \mathcal{R}_y\left(\frac{x\pi}{2}\right) \begin{cases} |\phi(+1)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ |\phi(-1)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \end{cases}$$



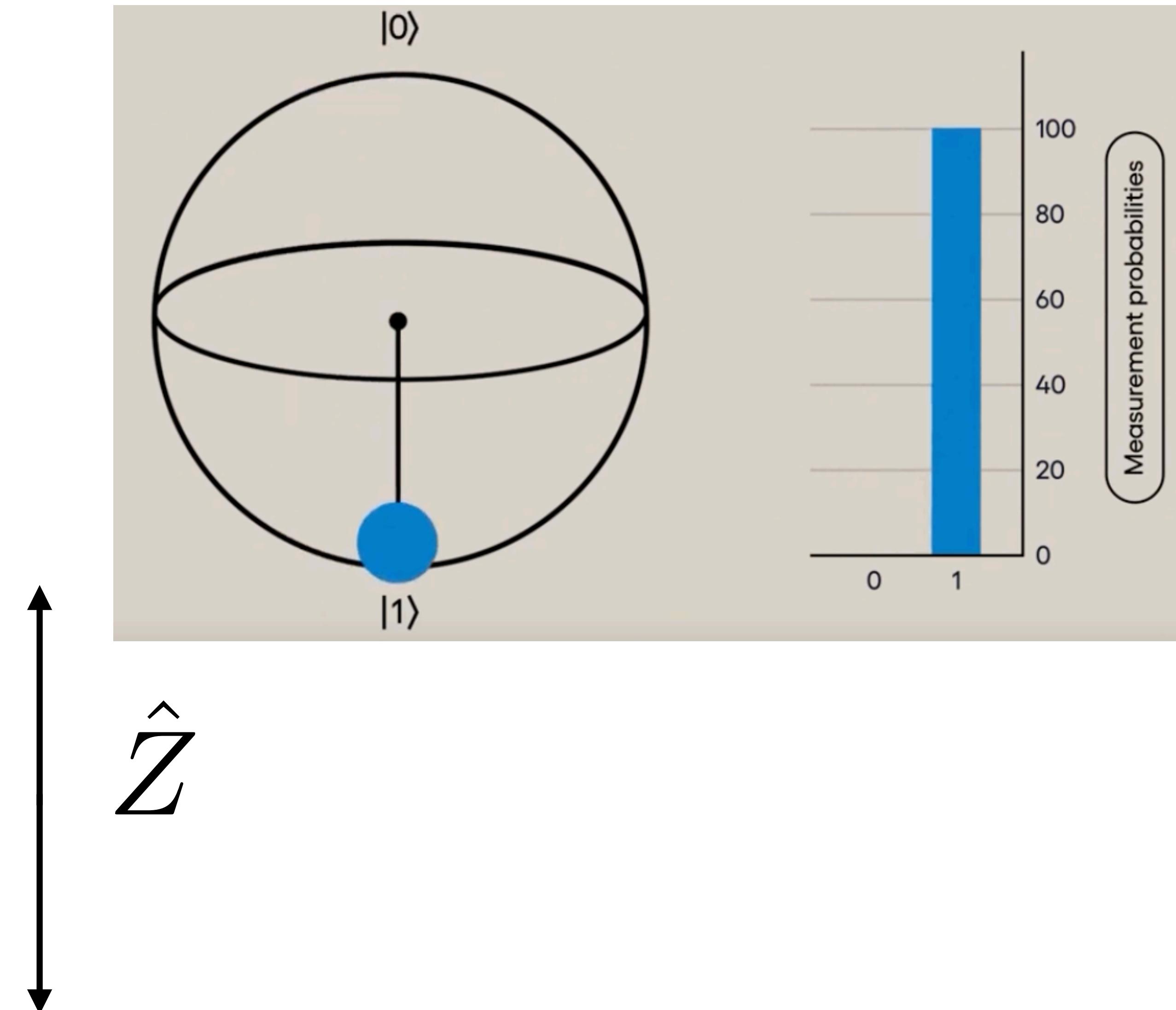
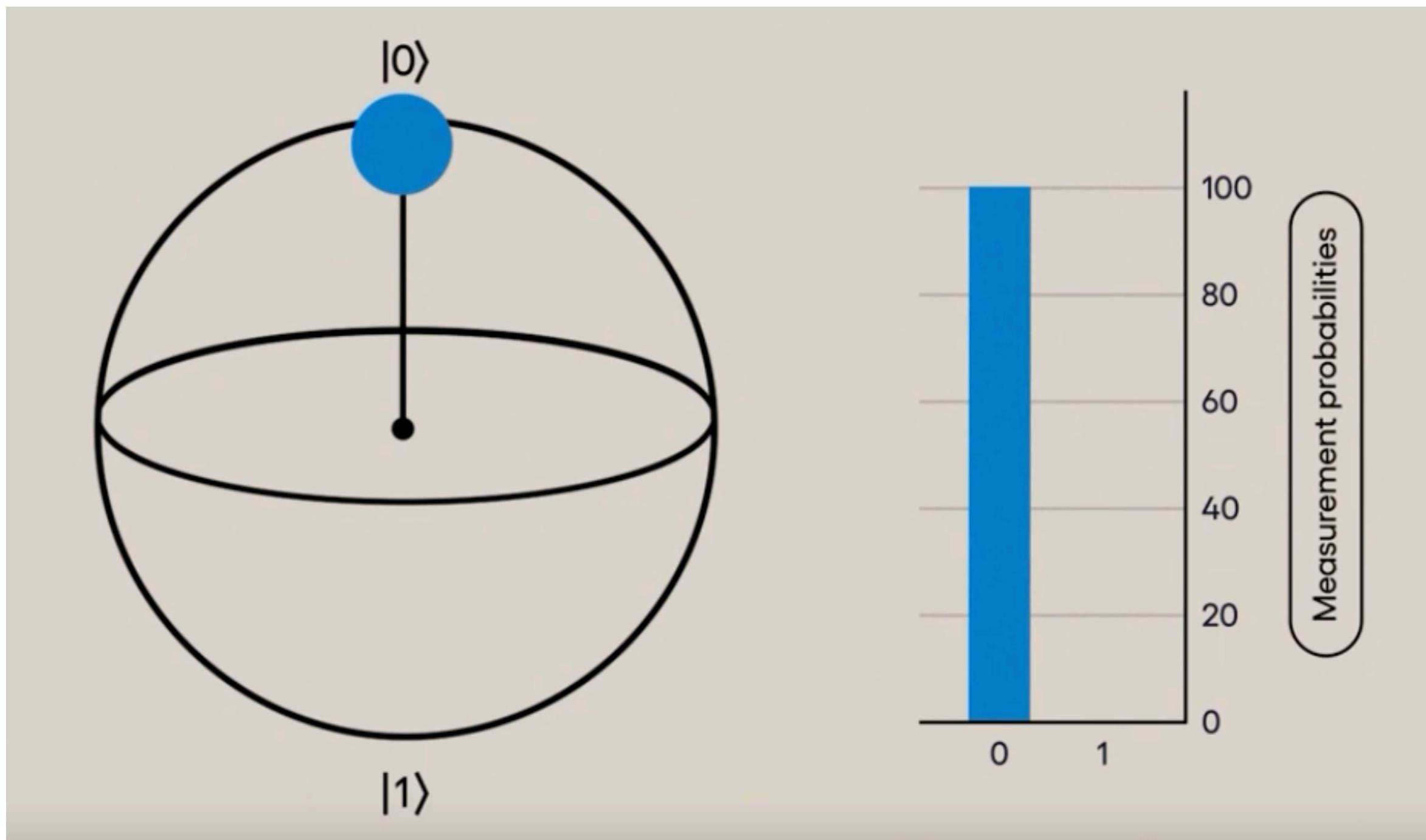
Quantum classifier

What does it really mean to measure?

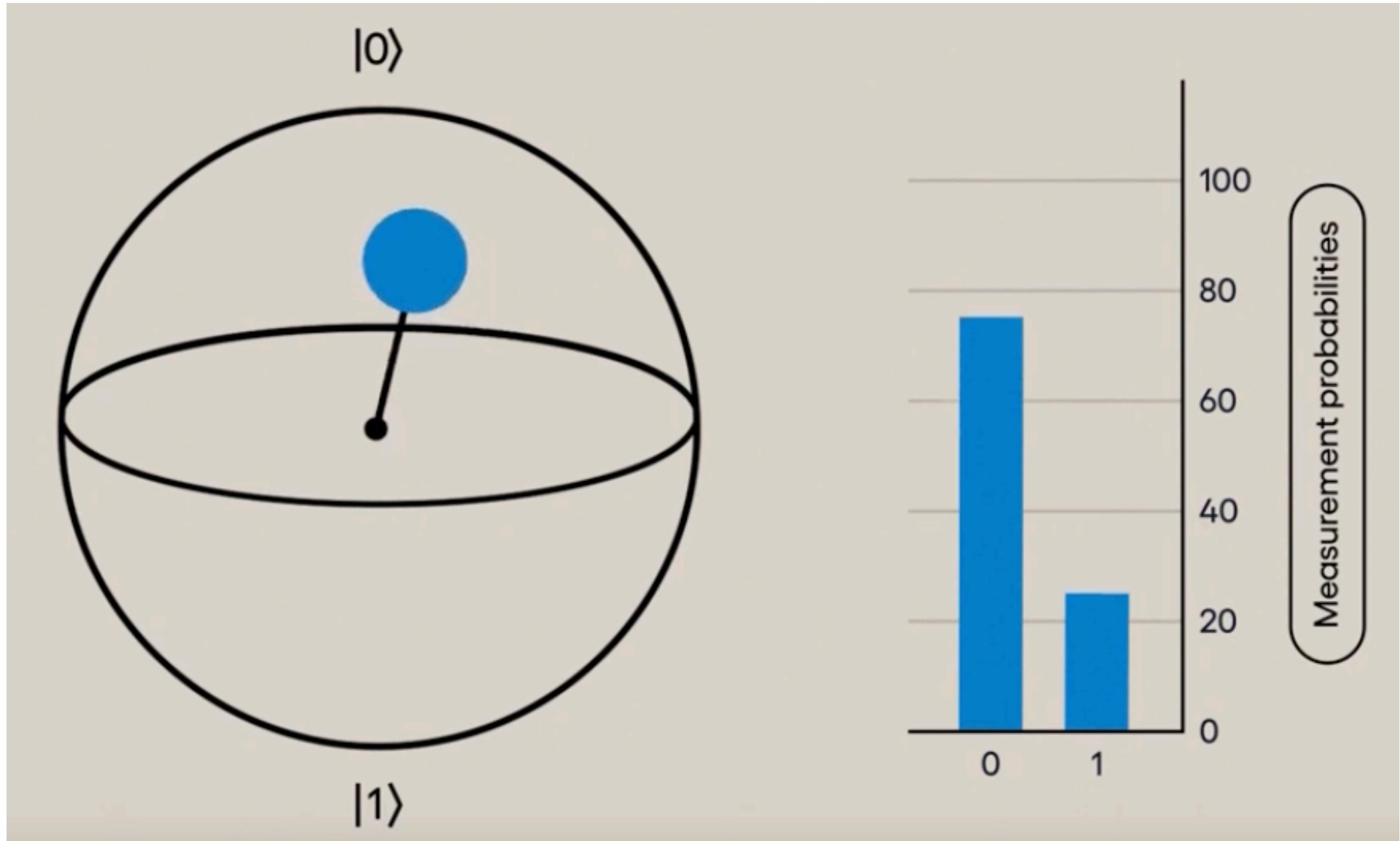
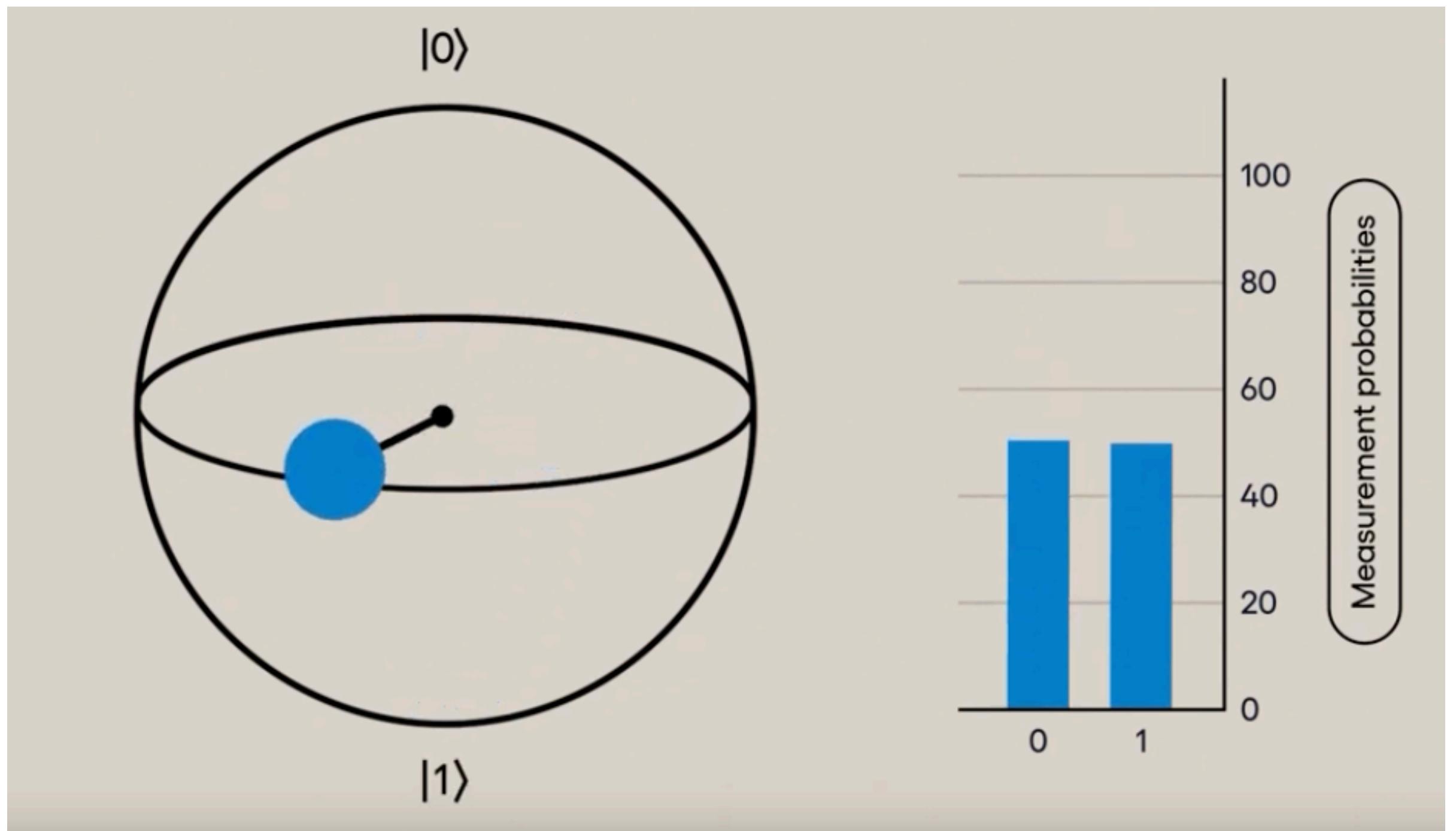


Measuring along Z measures the height
of the qubit in the Bloch sphere

Quantum classifier



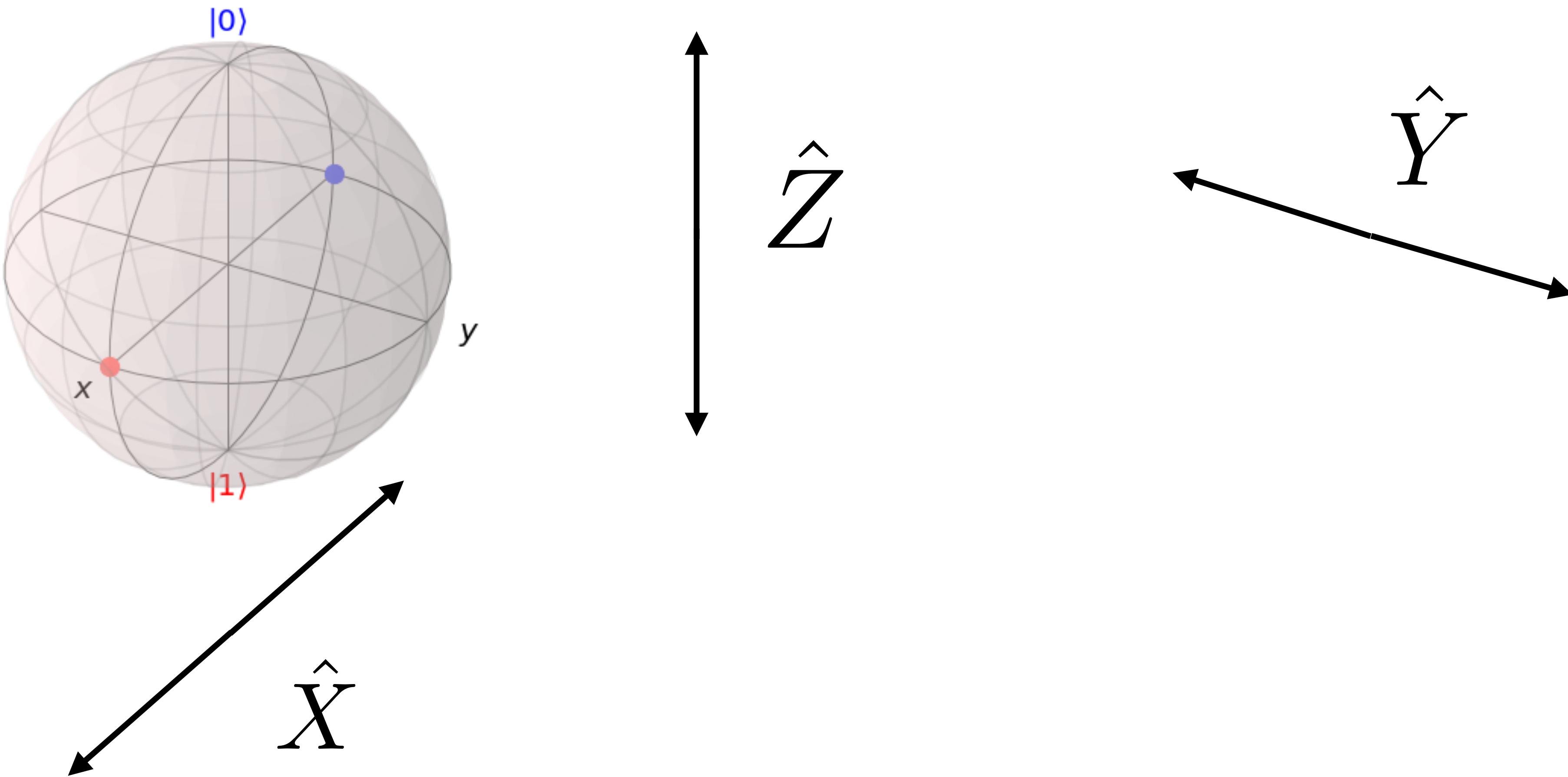
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\hat{Z}

Quantum classifier

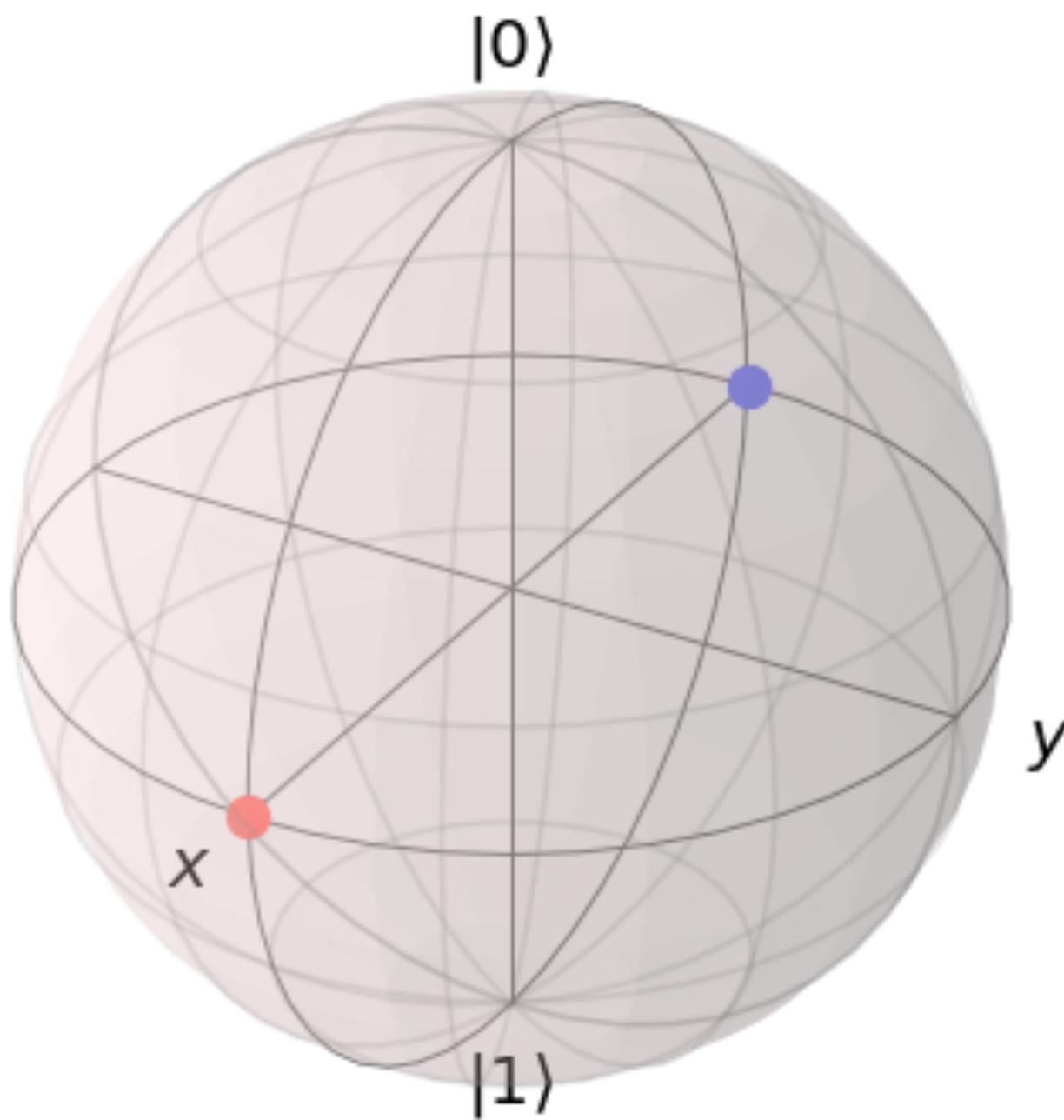
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Quantum classifier

Measure along a different axis

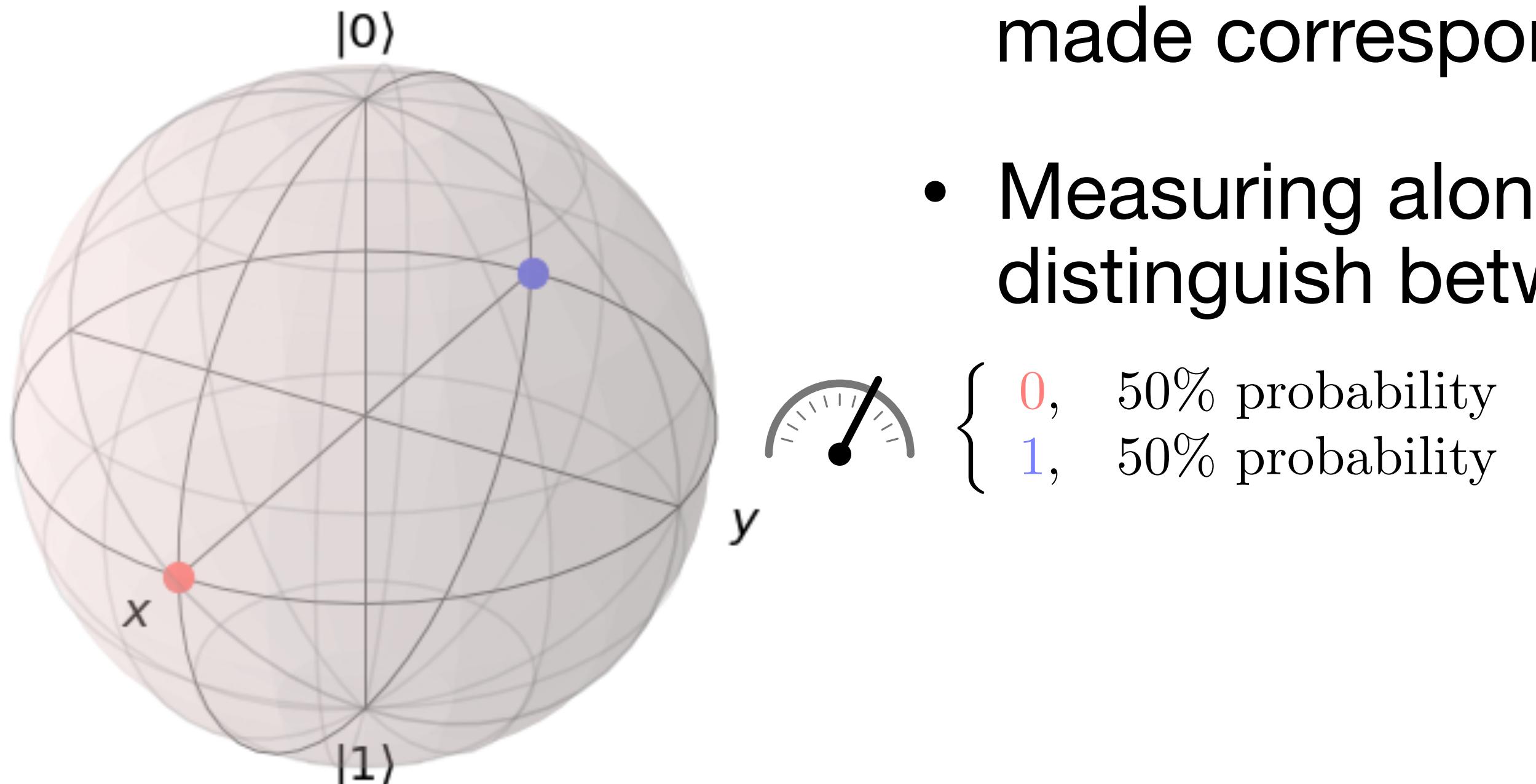
- Computational basis in which measurements are made corresponds to the Z basis.



Quantum classifier

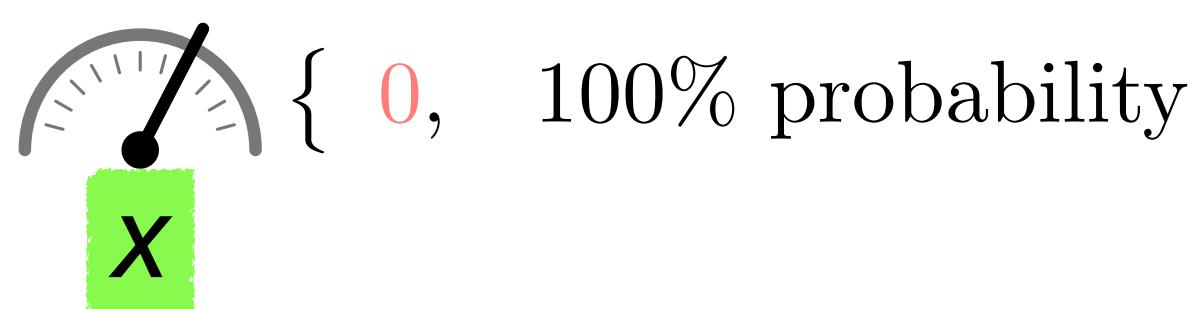
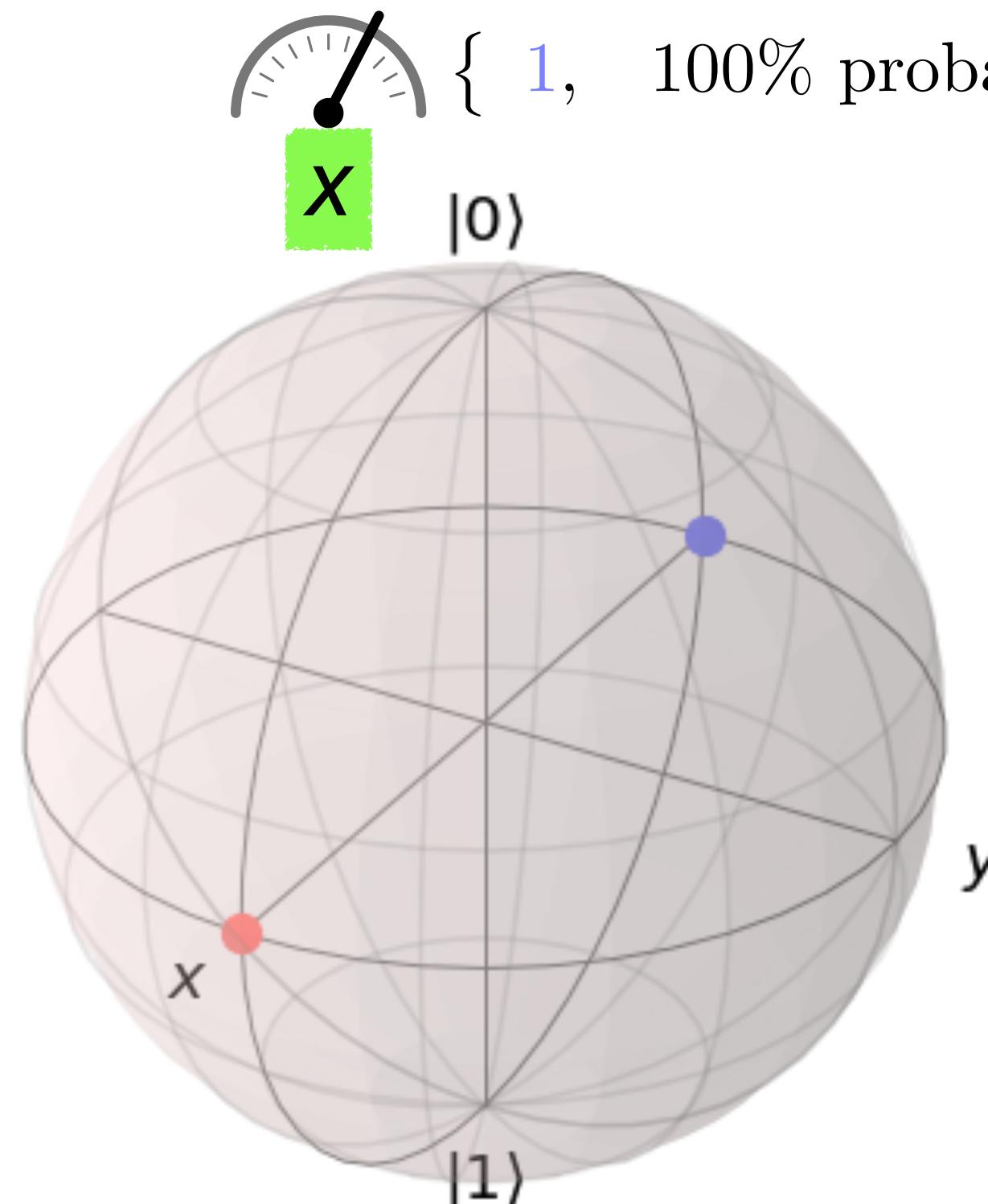
Measure along a different axis

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Quantum classifier

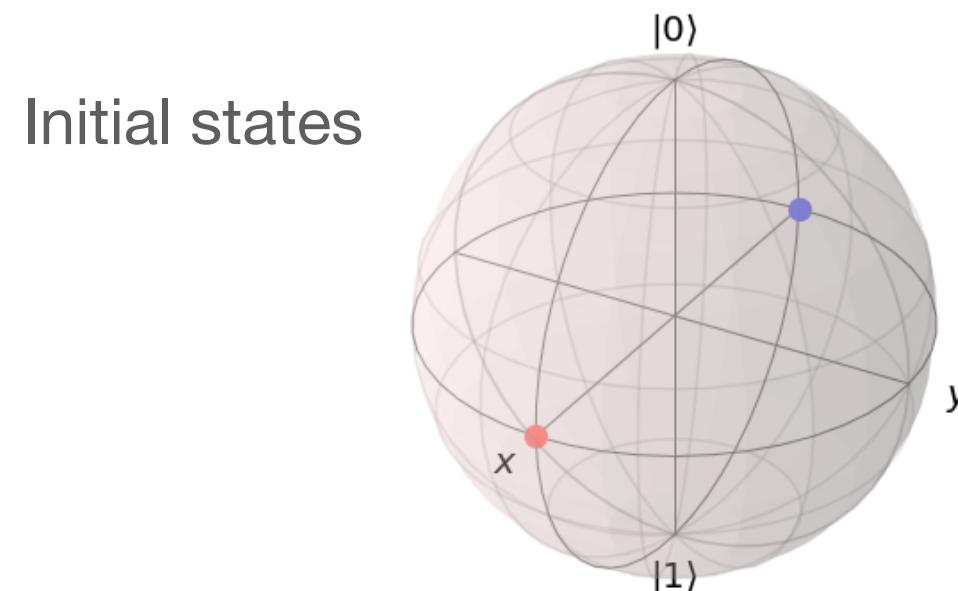
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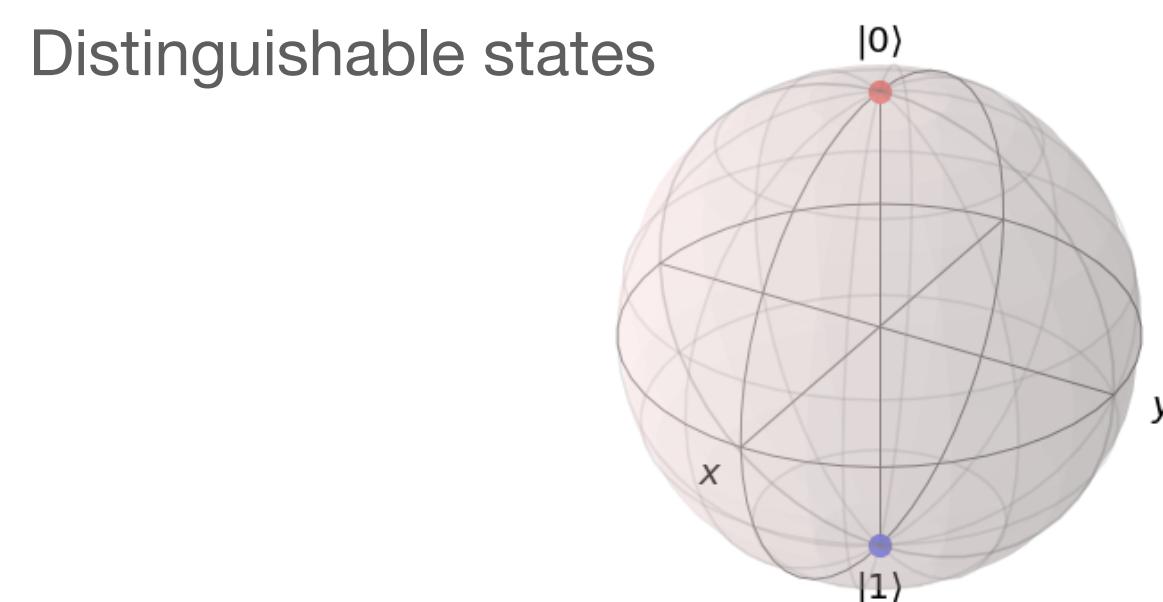
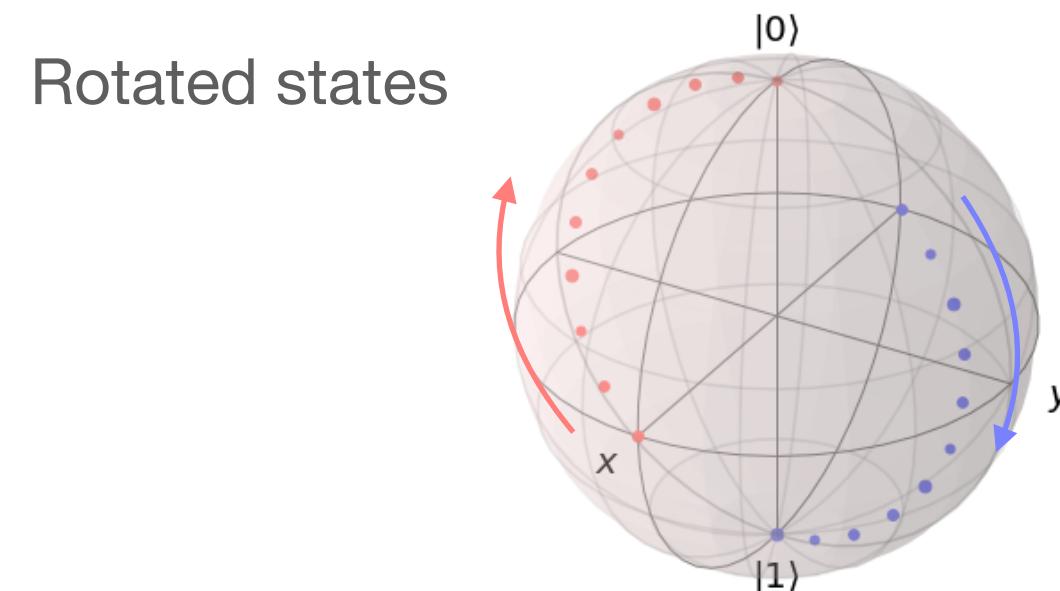
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Quantum classifier

Measure along a different axis

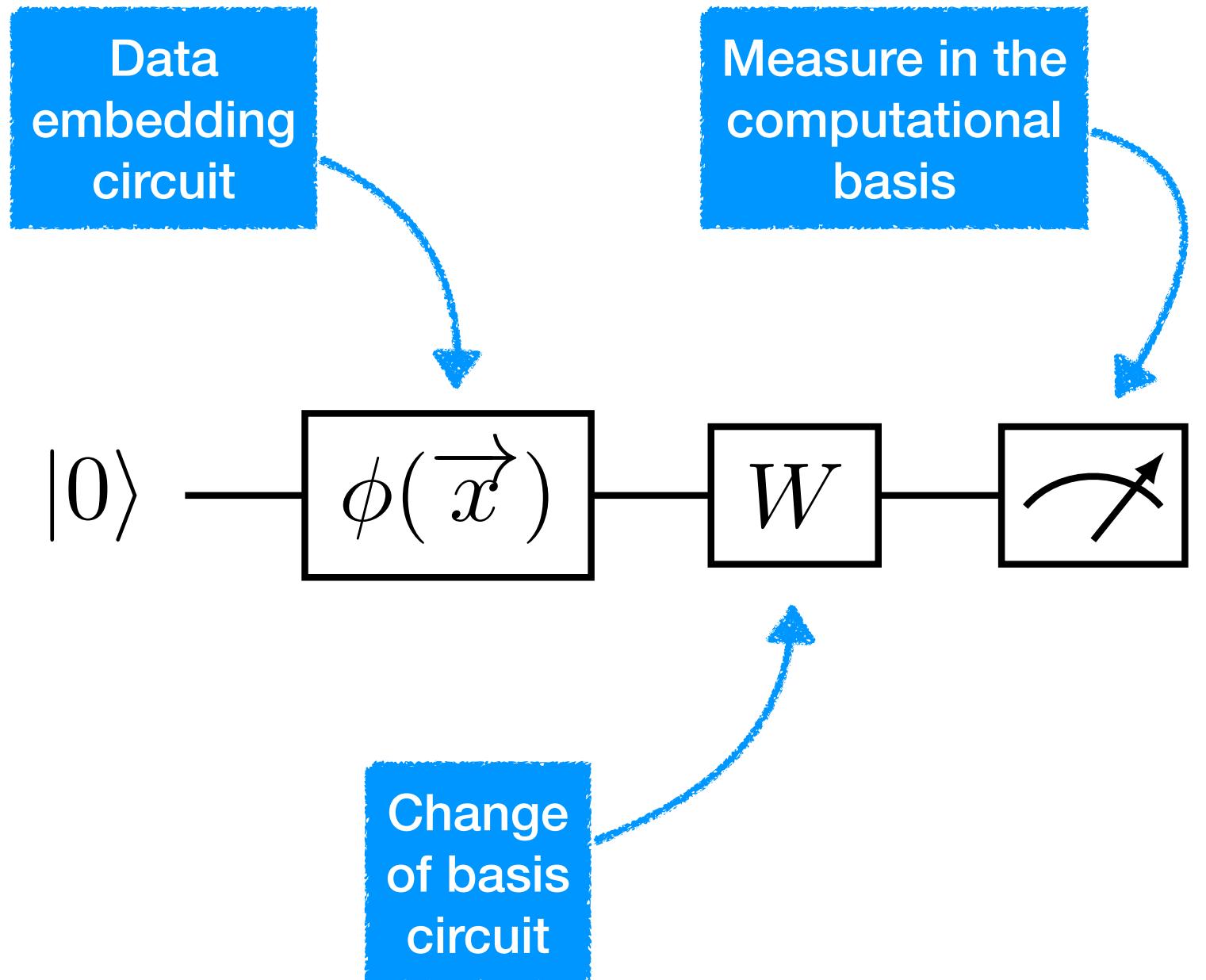


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Quantum classifier

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- Three components of a quantum classifier

Quantum classifier

Lab 3

Objectives

- Classify data in quantum feature space using 1 qubit
 - Measurement along X,Y,Z axis

Exercice

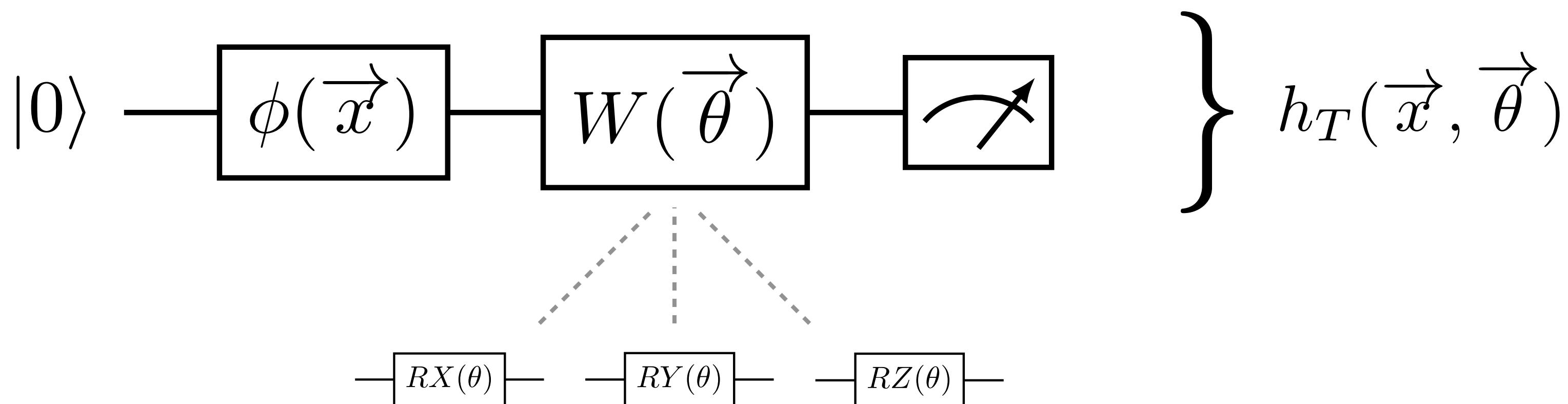
- Modify data embedding circuit and measurement axis

[Colab link Lab3](#)

Training a quantum classifier

Learning the optimal rotation circuit

- In general, we don't know the form of the W circuit.
- We include rotation gates with free parameters to “learn” the optimal measurement.

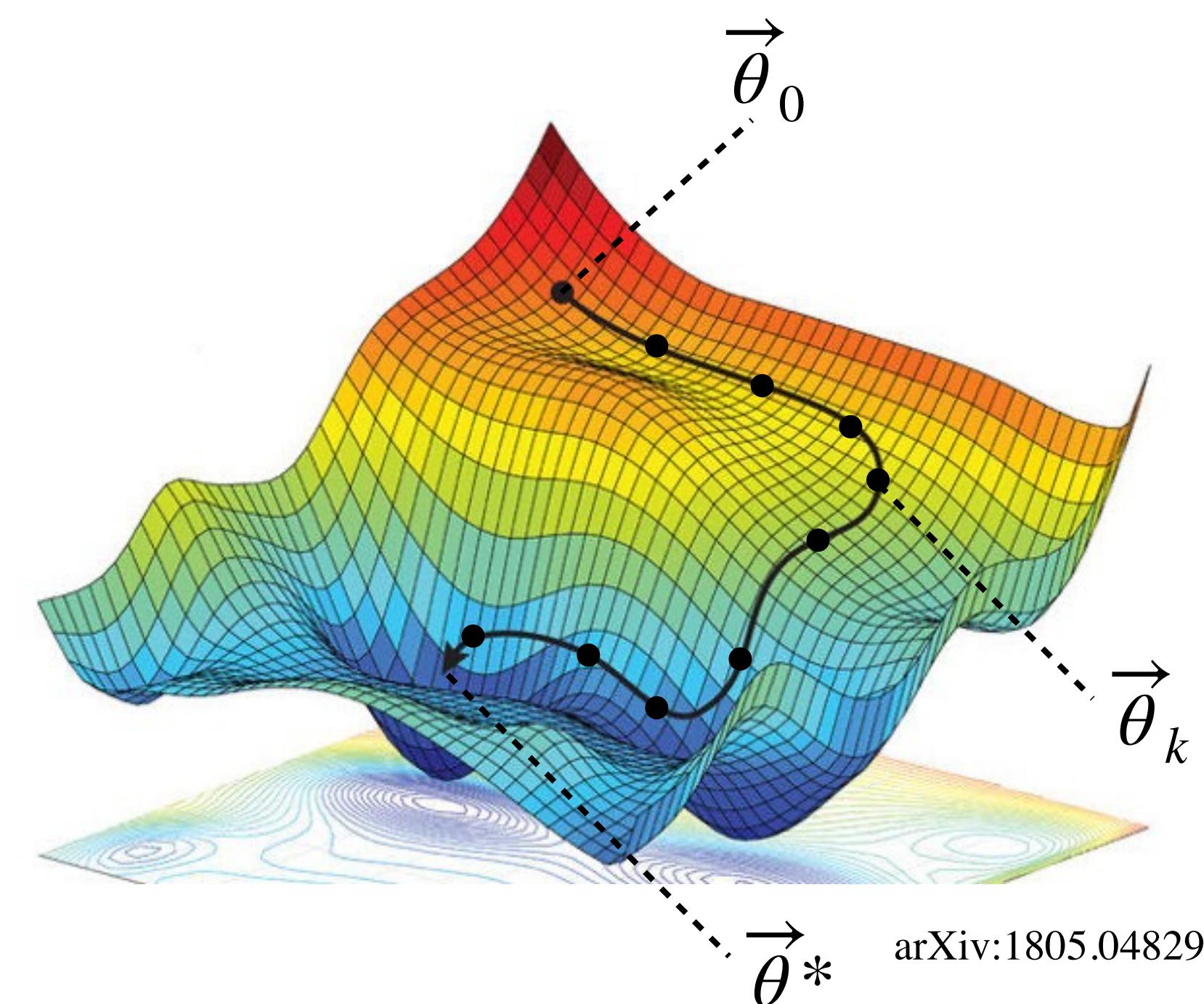


The *optimal measurement* is the one that minimizes the classification error.

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Variational methods

- Variational methods are a technique for the **approximation** of complicated probability distributions.
- Principle:
 1. Start with a “*trial rotation*”, or *ansatz*, that depends on adjustable parameters $\vec{\theta}_0$
 2. Iteratively update the parameters to find $\vec{\theta}^*$ that minimizes the classification error.



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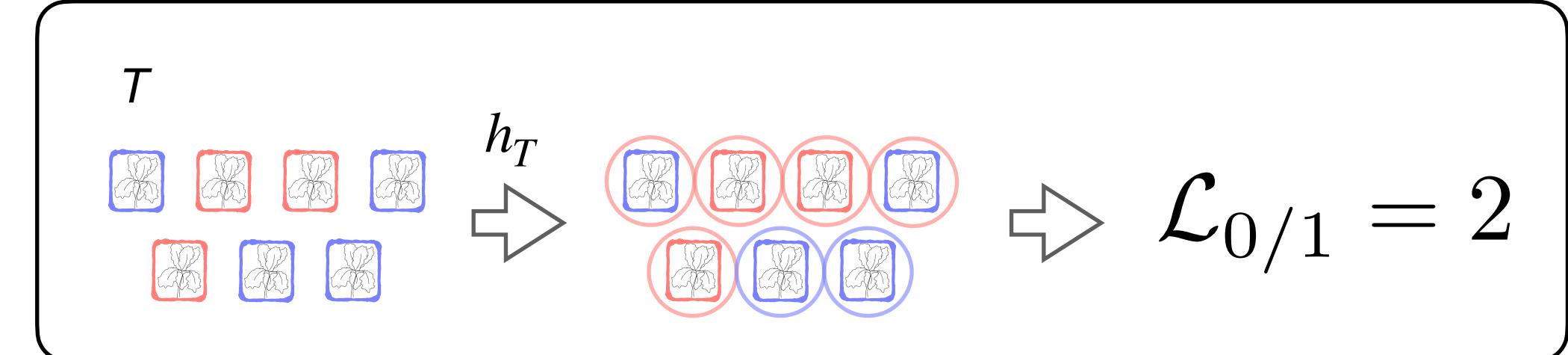
Loss function

- The **objective function** - or **loss function** - is a measure of the error between the output of our model and the target value

$$\mathcal{L}(\vec{x}, h_T(\vec{x}, \vec{\theta}), y)$$

- Example

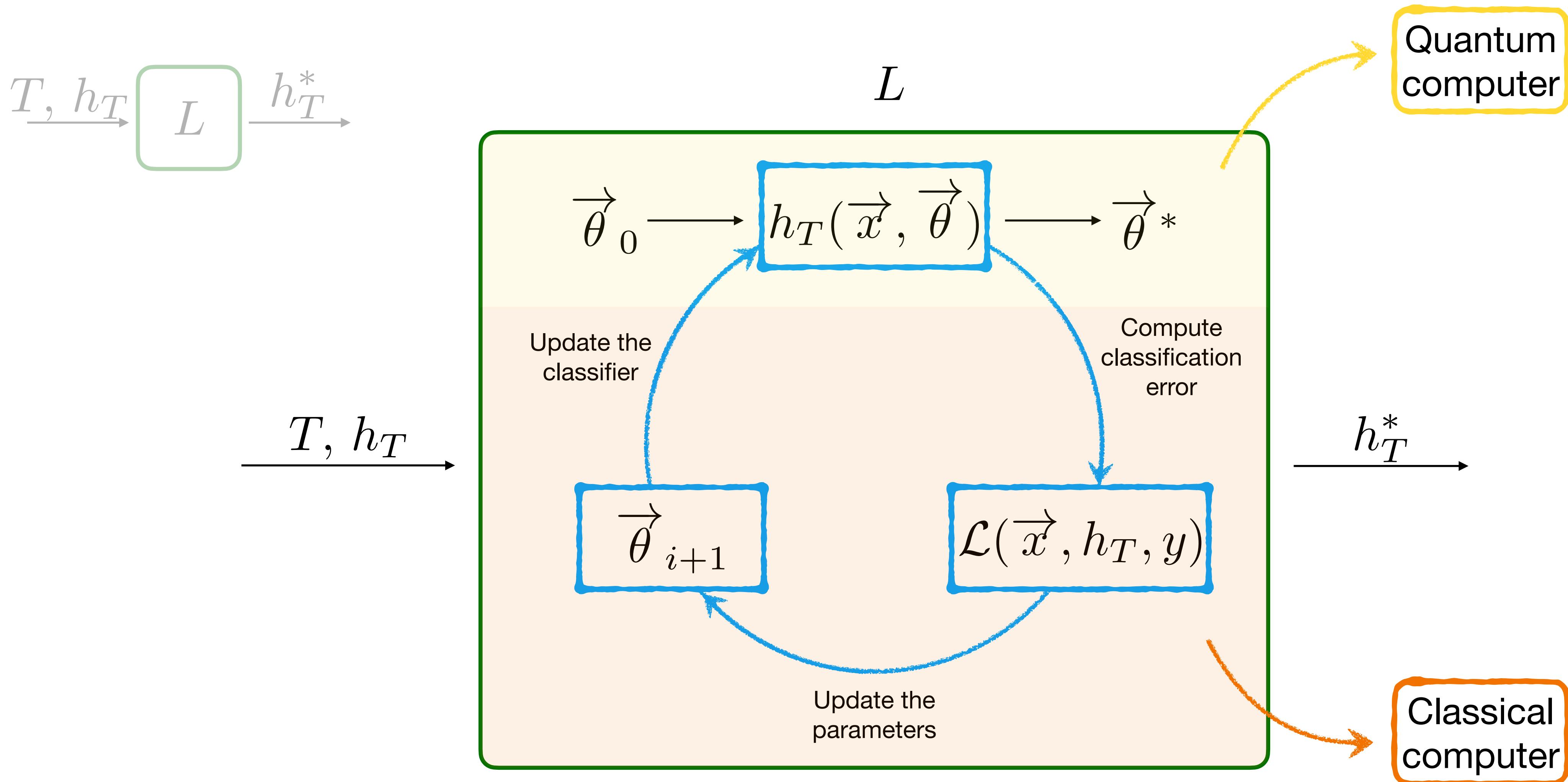
$$\mathcal{L}_{0/1} = \sum_{(\vec{x}, y) \in T} 1_{h_T(\vec{x}, \vec{\theta}) \neq y}$$



- Training** a classifier consists in a minimization of the loss function computed over the **training set**, in hope that the trained model will generalize well on the **test set**.

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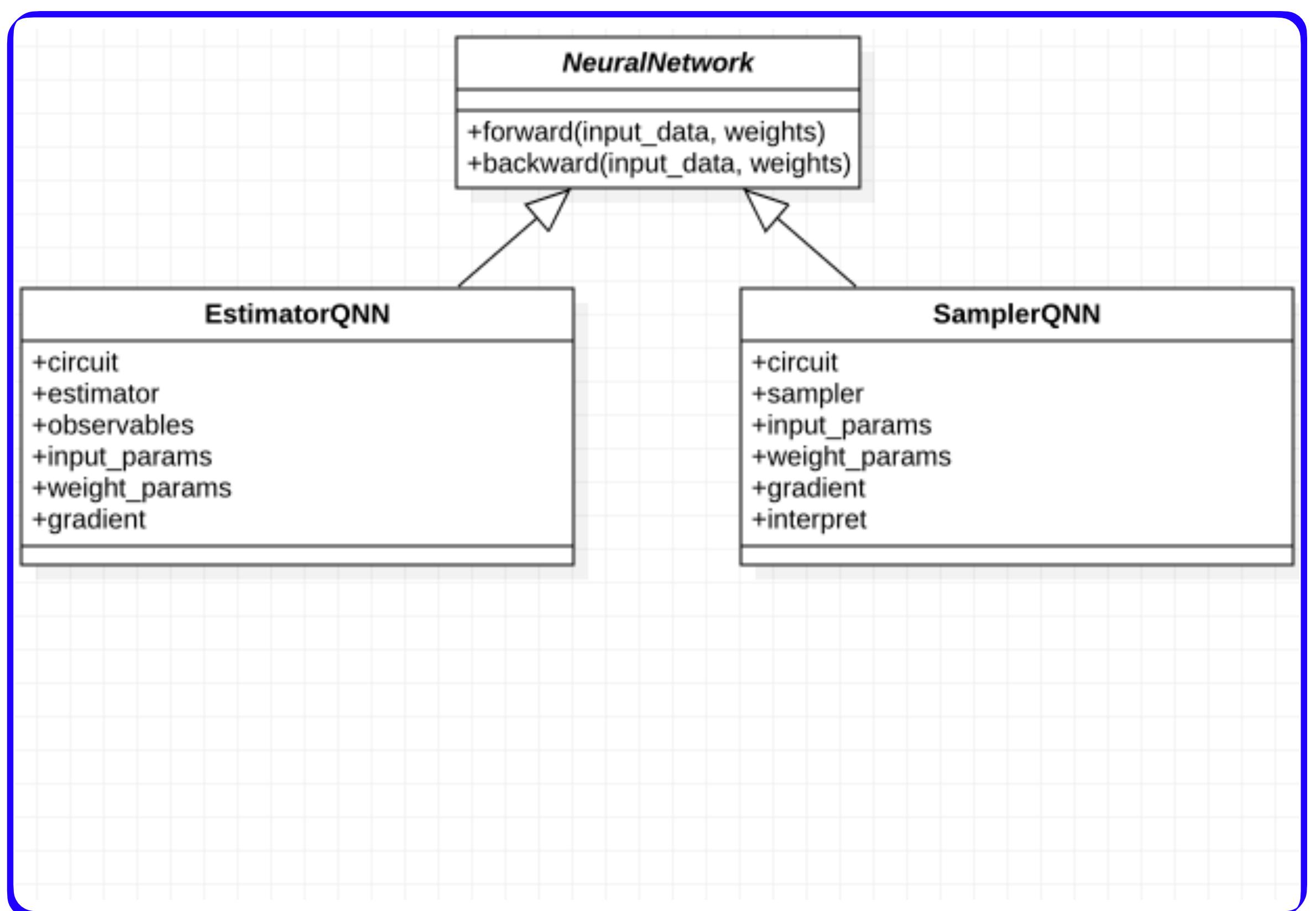
Learner (*learning algorithm*)



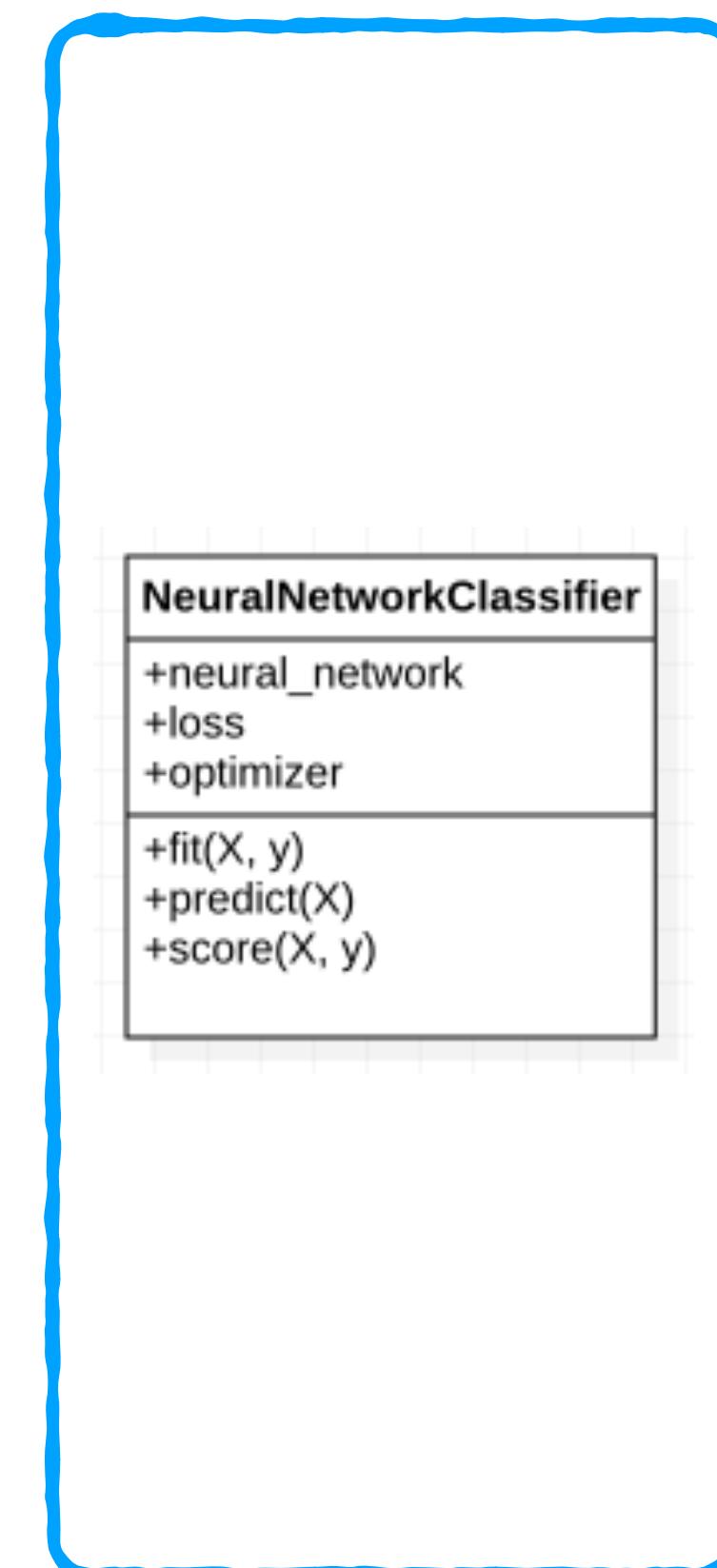
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Qiskit machine learning library (version > 0.5)

Definition of a quantum model
for classification



Training the quantum
model



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Lab 4

Objectives

- Building a parametrized circuit
 - Angle embedding
 - Variational quantum circuit (ansatz)
- Classification of the Iris dataset

Exercice

- Modify data embedding circuit

[Colab link Lab4](#)

Questions?

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