# Introduction to Quantum Computing

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#### Tensor product between matrices

• Given two matrices A (with  $n_a$  rows and  $m_a$  columns) and B (with  $n_b$  rows and  $m_b$  columns) their tensor product C is a matrix (with  $n_a n_b$  rows and  $m_a m_b$  columns) defined as the element-by-element product between two matrices

• Example: if 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

• their tensor product is 
$$C = A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \\ 10 & 4 \\ 3 & 12 \\ 15 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Distributive property of the tensor product over addition

$$(A + B) \otimes C = A \otimes C + B \otimes C$$
$$A \otimes (B + C) = A \otimes B + A \otimes C$$

Given two qubits

$$|v_A\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle$$
  
$$|v_B\rangle = b_0|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle$$

we wish to know their combined state

- We wish to know the probability for the two qubits to be
  - both in state  $|0\rangle$ ,
  - or the first in state  $|0\rangle$  and the second in state  $|1\rangle$ ,
  - or the opposite,
  - or both in state |1>
- The two qubits do not necessarily interact with each other

The state of the two qubits

$$|v_A\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle$$
  
$$|v_B\rangle = b_0|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle$$

is described with their tensor product

The opposite is not always true!!

(a vector of 4 elements cannot always be decomposed into the tensor product of 2 qubits)

$$|v_A\rangle \otimes |v_B\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0b_0 \\ a_0b_1 \\ a_1b_0 \\ a_1b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We introduce a new compact ket notation

$$|v_A v_B\rangle = |v_A\rangle |v_B\rangle = |v_A\rangle \otimes |v_B\rangle$$

We can rewrite in a different format

$$|v_A\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle = a_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix} + a_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$
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$$(a_0b_0)^2$$
 probability of being in state  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

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We can rewrite as

$$|v_A v_B\rangle = a_0 b_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + a_0 b_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\0 \end{bmatrix} + a_1 b_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} + a_1 b_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• We introduce a new notation for the basis of a two-qubit state

• 
$$|00\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
  $|01\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
•  $|10\rangle = |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $|11\rangle = |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

We can rewrite the two-qubit state

$$|v_A v_B\rangle = a_0 b_0 |00\rangle + a_0 b_1 |01\rangle + a_1 b_0 |10\rangle + a_1 b_1 |11\rangle$$

or

$$|v_A v_B\rangle = c_0 |00\rangle + c_1 |01\rangle + c_2 |10\rangle + c_3 |11\rangle$$

- where coefficients  $c_0$ ,  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  are the **amplitudes** of the multi-qubit state
- An alternative notations is

$$|v_A v_B\rangle = c_0 |\mathbf{0}\rangle + c_1 |\mathbf{1}\rangle + c_2 |\mathbf{2}\rangle + c_3 |\mathbf{3}\rangle$$

#### Multiple-Qubits States: exercise

Given two qubits

$$|v_A\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle$$
  
$$|v_B\rangle = b_0|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle$$

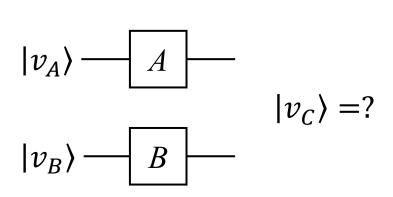
and their state

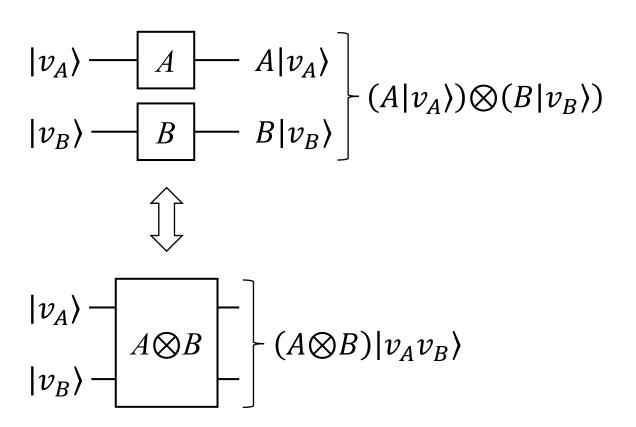
$$|v_A v_B\rangle = a_0 b_0 |00\rangle + a_0 b_1 |01\rangle + a_1 b_0 |10\rangle + a_1 b_1 |11\rangle$$

- show that the amplitudes normalize to 1
- We can write the sum of the square of the amplitudes as

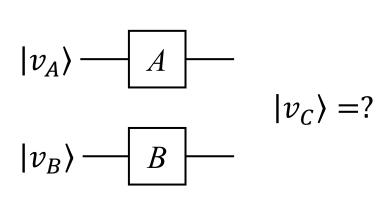
$$a_0^2b_0^2 + a_0^2b_1^2 + a_1^2b_0^2 + a_1^2b_1^2 = a_0^2(b_0^2 + b_1^2) + a_1^2(b_0^2 + b_1^2) = a_0^2 + a_1^2 = 1$$

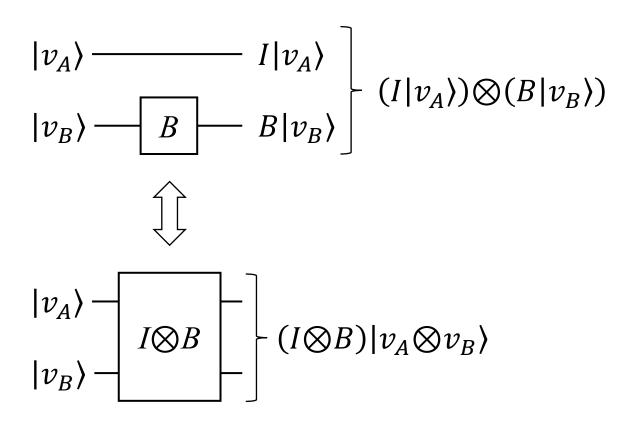
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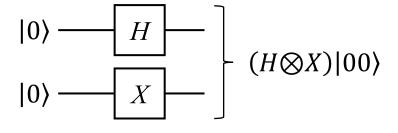




#### Parallel Gates: Example 1

$$H \otimes X = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & -1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

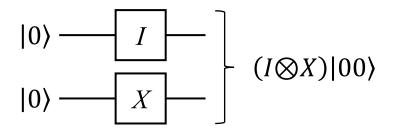
$$(H \otimes X)|00\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1\\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1\\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0\\ 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ 1\\ 0\\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle + |11\rangle)$$



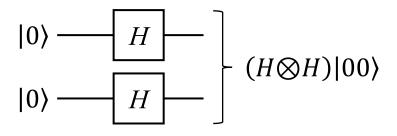
#### Parallel Gates: Example 2

$$I \otimes X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & 0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ 0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & 1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(I \otimes X)|00\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = |01\rangle$$



#### Parallel Gates: the $H^{\otimes 2}$ Hadamard transform



- This circuit performs the  $H^{\otimes 2}$  Hadamard transform on two qubits
- Similarly, we can define the  $H^{\bigotimes n}$  Hadamard transform on n qubits
- Hadamard transform places the state in a "uniform" superposition across all qubits

### Thanks

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