

## II. Quantum Circuits

- "circuit model": sequence of building blocks that carry out elementary computations, called gates



### Single qubit gates

- classical example: NOT  $|1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle$
- quantum examples: as quantum theory is unitary, quantum gates are represented by

unitary matrices:  $U^\dagger U = 1\!l$

$$\text{recall: } U = \begin{pmatrix} u_{00} & u_{01} \\ u_{10} & u_{11} \end{pmatrix} = u_{00}|0\rangle\langle 0| + u_{01}|0\rangle\langle 1| + u_{10}|1\rangle\langle 0| + u_{11}|1\rangle\langle 1|$$

-  $\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0|$

Dirac notation

$$\hookrightarrow \sigma_x|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = |1\rangle, \quad \sigma_x|1\rangle = \underbrace{(\text{Dirac notation})}_{(10\rangle\langle 1| + 11\rangle\langle 0|)} \cdot |1\rangle = \underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 1|}_{1} + \underbrace{|1\rangle\langle 0|}_{0} = |0\rangle$$

$\Rightarrow$  bit flip  $\hat{=}$  NOT-gate, e.g.  $|0\rangle \xrightarrow{\sigma_x} |1\rangle \Rightarrow$  rotation around x-axis by  $\pi$

-  $\sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = |0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|$

$$\hookrightarrow \sigma_z|+\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = |-\rangle, \quad \sigma_z|-\rangle = (|0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

$\Rightarrow$  phase flip  $\Rightarrow$  rotation around z-axis by  $\pi$

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

-  $\sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = i \cdot \sigma_x \cdot \sigma_z \Rightarrow$  bit & phase flip

$\Rightarrow \sigma_x, \sigma_y \& \sigma_z$  are the so-called Pauli matrices and  $\sigma_i^2 = 1\!l = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (does nothing)

$\Rightarrow$  together with identity  $1\!l$  they form a basis of  $2 \times 2$  matrices

( $\rightarrow$  any 1-qubit rotation can be written as a linear combination of them)

- Hadamard gate: one of the most important gates for quantum circuits

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|)$$

$$\hookrightarrow H|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = |+\rangle, \quad H|1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|) \cdot |1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) = |-\rangle$$

$\Rightarrow$  creates superposition! also  $H|+\rangle = |0\rangle, H|-\rangle = |1\rangle \Rightarrow$  used to change between X & Z basis

- similarly, as  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$  adds  $90^\circ$  to the phase  $\varphi$ :  $S \cdot |+\rangle = |+\rangle, S|-\rangle = |-\rangle$

$\Rightarrow S \cdot H$  is applied to change from Z to Y basis

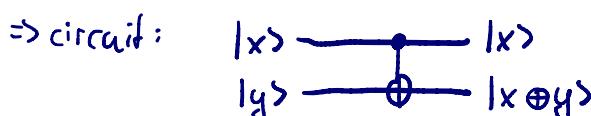
## Multipartite quantum states

- we use tensor products to describe multiple states:  $|a\rangle \otimes |b\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 \\ a_1 b_2 \\ a_2 b_1 \\ a_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix}$
- example: system A is in state  $|1\rangle_A$  and system B is in state  $|0\rangle_B$   
 $\Rightarrow$  the total (bi-partite) state is  $|10\rangle_{AB} = |1\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
- ↳ remark: states of this form are called **uncorrelated**, but there are also bi-partite states that cannot be written as  $|\psi\rangle_A \otimes |\psi\rangle_B$ . These states are **correlated** and sometimes even **entangled** ( $\rightarrow$  very strong correlation), e.g.  $|\Psi\rangle_{AB}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 a so-called **Bell state**, used for teleportation, cryptography, Bell tests, etc.

## Two-qubit gates

- classical example: XOR  $x = \boxed{\text{XOR}} = x \oplus y \rightarrow \text{irreversible}$  ( $\rightarrow$  given the output we cannot recover the input)  
 BUT: as quantum theory is unitary, we only consider unitary and therefore **reversible** gates
- quantum example:  
 $CNOT = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = |00\rangle\langle 00| + |01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 11| + |11\rangle\langle 10|$   
 $\hookrightarrow CNOT \cdot |00\rangle_{xy} = CNOT \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = |00\rangle_{xy}, \quad CNOT \cdot |10\rangle_{xy} = |11\rangle_{xy}$
- $\Rightarrow$ 

input	output
$x \ y$	$x \ x \oplus y$
$0 \ 0$	$0 \ 0$
$0 \ 1$	$0 \ 1$
$1 \ 0$	$1 \ 1$
$1 \ 1$	$1 \ 0$

 $\Rightarrow$  circuit:  
  
 $\hat{=}$  reversible XOR

$\Rightarrow$  we can show that every function  $f$  can be described by a reversible circuit

$\Rightarrow$  quantum circuits can perform all functions that can be calculated classically

### III. Entanglement

- If a pure state  $|\Psi_{AB}\rangle$  on systems A, B cannot be written as  $|\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\phi_B\rangle$ , it is entangled Bell states.

These are four so-called Bell states that are maximally entangled and build an orthonormal basis:

$$|\Psi^{00}\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

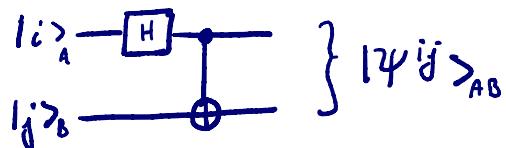
$$|\Psi^{01}\rangle := (|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

$$|\Psi^{10}\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

$$|\Psi^{11}\rangle := (|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

→ in general we can write  $|\Psi^{ij}\rangle = (I \otimes \sigma_x^j \cdot \sigma_z^i) |\Psi^{00}\rangle$

#### Creation of Bell states



initial state

$$|i,j\rangle_{AB}$$

$$(H_A \otimes I_B) |i,j\rangle_{AB}$$

$$|\Psi^{ij}\rangle$$

$$|00\rangle$$

$$(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2} = |\Psi^{00}\rangle$$

$$|01\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{H_A}$$

$$(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{CNOT}_{AB}}$$

$$(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2} = |\Psi^{01}\rangle$$

$$|10\rangle$$

$$(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

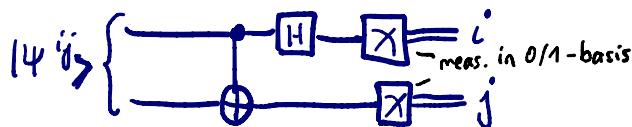
$$(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2} = |\Psi^{10}\rangle$$

$$|11\rangle$$

$$(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2} = |\Psi^{11}\rangle$$

→ opposite direction: Bell measurement



→ classical outcomes  $i', j'$  correspond to a meas. of the state  $|\Psi^{ij}\rangle$

# Teleportation

- Goal: Alice wants to send her (unknown) state  $|\phi\rangle_s := \alpha|0\rangle_s + \beta|1\rangle_s$  to Bob.

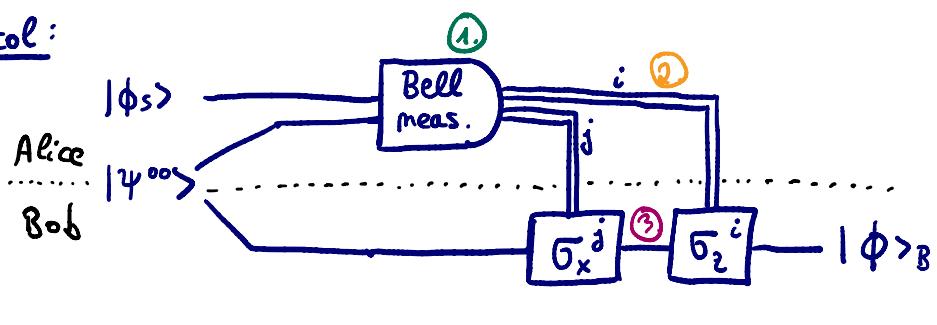
She can only send him two classical bits though. They both share the

$$|\psi^{00}\rangle_{AB} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB}).$$

⇒ initial state of the total system:

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi\rangle_s \otimes |\psi^{00}\rangle_{AB} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha|000\rangle_{SAB} + \alpha|011\rangle_{SAB} + \beta|100\rangle_{SAB} + \beta|111\rangle_{SAB}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} [ (|00\rangle_{SA} + |11\rangle_{SA}) \otimes (\alpha|0\rangle_B + \beta|1\rangle_B) + (|01\rangle_{SA} + |10\rangle_{SA}) \otimes (\alpha|1\rangle_B + \beta|0\rangle_B) \\ &\quad + (|00\rangle_{SA} - |11\rangle_{SA}) \otimes (\alpha|0\rangle_B - \beta|1\rangle_B) + (|01\rangle_{SA} - |10\rangle_{SA}) \otimes (\alpha|1\rangle_B - \beta|0\rangle_B) ] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [ |\psi^{00}\rangle_{SA} \otimes |\phi\rangle_B + |\psi^{01}\rangle_{SA} \otimes (\bar{\sigma}_x |\phi\rangle_B) \\ &\quad + |\psi^{10}\rangle_{SA} \otimes (\bar{\sigma}_z |\phi\rangle_B) + |\psi^{11}\rangle_{SA} \otimes (\bar{\sigma}_x \bar{\sigma}_z |\phi\rangle_B) ] \end{aligned}$$

- Protocol:



1. Alice performs a meas. on S & A in the Bell basis.
2. She sends her classical outputs  $i, j$  to Bob.
3. Bob applies  $\bar{\sigma}_z^i \bar{\sigma}_x^j$  to his qubit and gets  $|\phi\rangle$ !

1. Alice's measurement → Bob's state

$$\begin{array}{ll} |\psi^{00}\rangle & |\phi\rangle_B \\ |\psi^{01}\rangle & \bar{\sigma}_x |\phi\rangle_B \\ |\psi^{10}\rangle & \bar{\sigma}_z |\phi\rangle_B \\ |\psi^{11}\rangle & \bar{\sigma}_x \bar{\sigma}_z |\phi\rangle_B \end{array}$$

2. Alice sends  
 $i, j$

$$\begin{array}{ll} 00 & 01 \\ 01 & 10 \\ 10 & 11 \end{array}$$

3. Bob applies → Bob's final state

$$\begin{array}{ll} 00 & 01 \\ 01 & \bar{\sigma}_x \\ 10 & \bar{\sigma}_z \\ 11 & \bar{\sigma}_z \bar{\sigma}_x \end{array}$$

Note, that Alice's state collapsed during the measurement, so she does not have the initial state  $|\phi_s\rangle$  anymore. This is expected due to the no-cloning theorem, as she cannot copy her state, but just send her state to Bob when destroying her own.