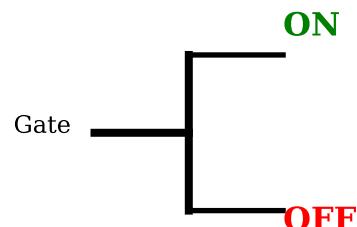
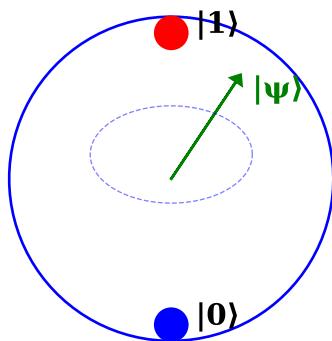


# Hardware Validation 2: Categorical States are Physical Digital States

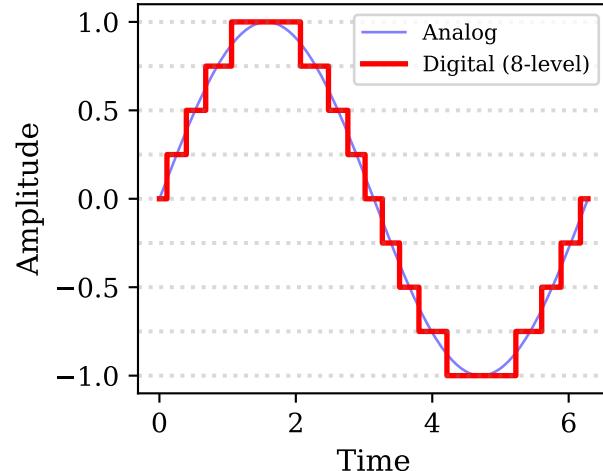
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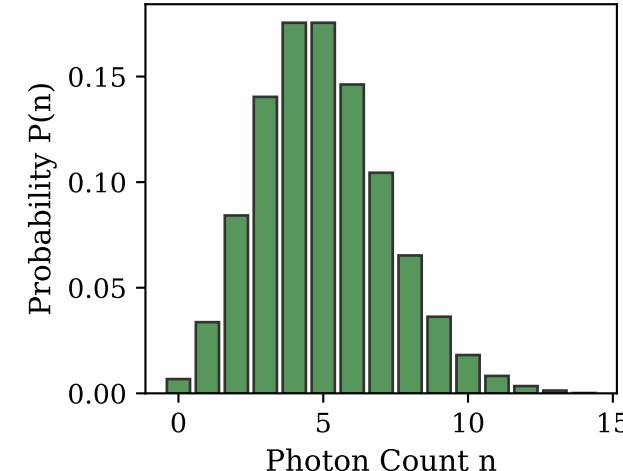
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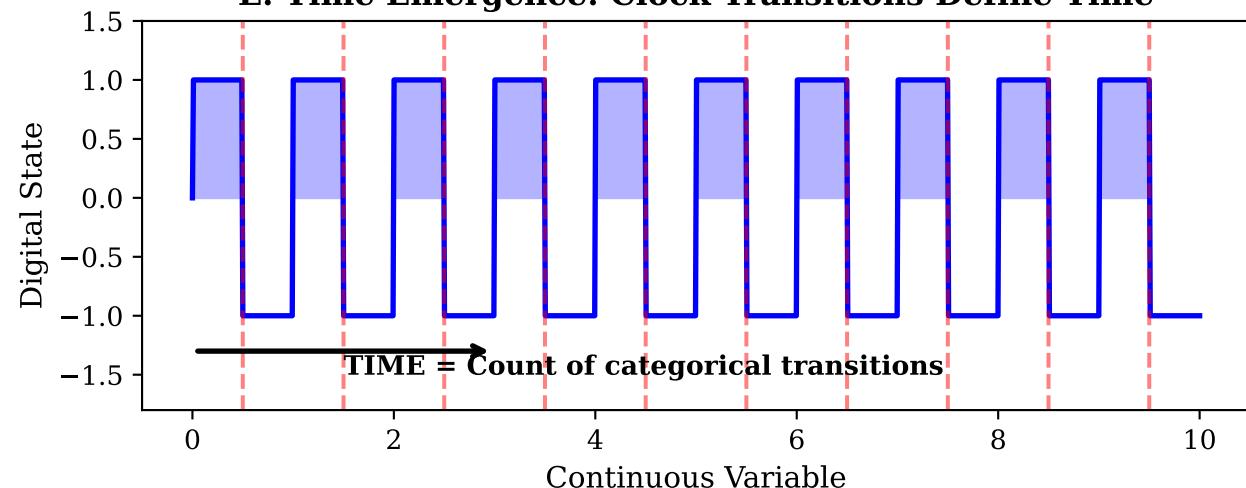
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(Continuous → Categorical)**



**D. Photon Counter  
(Discrete Quanta)**



**E. Time Emergence: Clock Transitions Define Time**



## CATEGORICAL HARDWARE EXAMPLES

### Digital Electronics:

- Transistors: ON/OFF (2 states)
  - RAM cells: 0/1 per bit
- CPUs:  $10^9$  categorical transitions/sec

### Quantum Hardware:

- Superconducting qubits:  $|0\rangle$ ,  $|1\rangle$ 
  - Trapped ions:  $|\uparrow\rangle$ ,  $|\downarrow\rangle$
  - Photon polarization:  $|H\rangle$ ,  $|V\rangle$

Every computer clock tick is a categorical completion event that advances 'time'.

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