

# Quantum Computing Review

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# Outline

- *A minimal example of Hadamard gate?*
- Measurement
- Recapping the Bell state creation circuit from yesterday
- Unitary matrices

# A game

How far can we push this analogy??

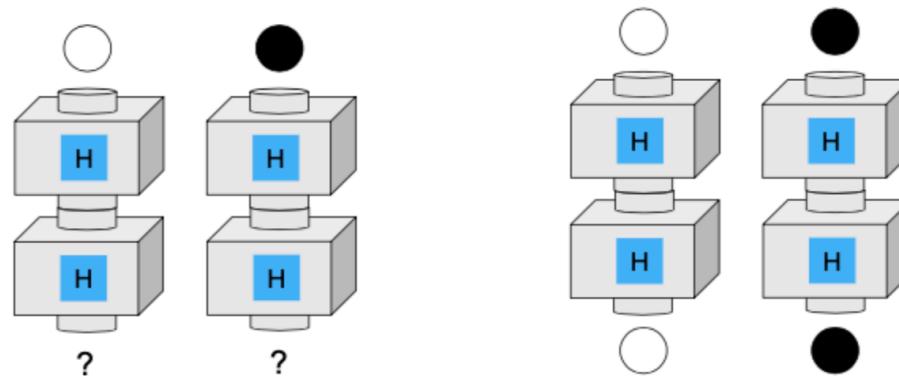
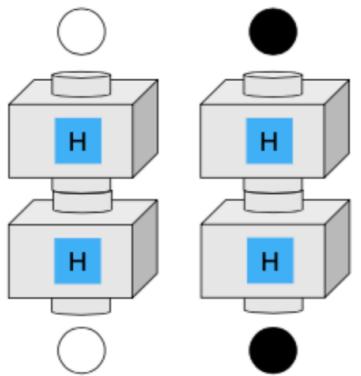


FIG. 6. Showing that the random output of a Hadamard gate goes away when two of them are stacked together.

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A GREAT question.

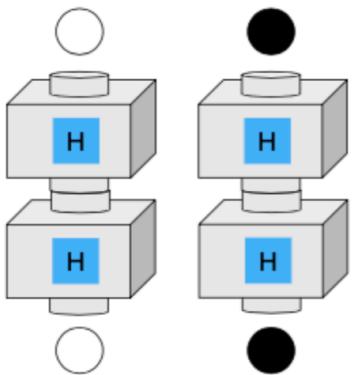


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Researchers point to double-slit as a minimal real-life example... but the analogy is not quite exact.



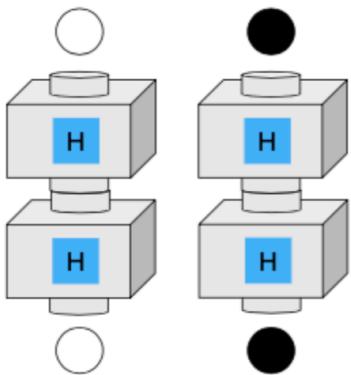
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# Optical Simulation of Quantum Logic

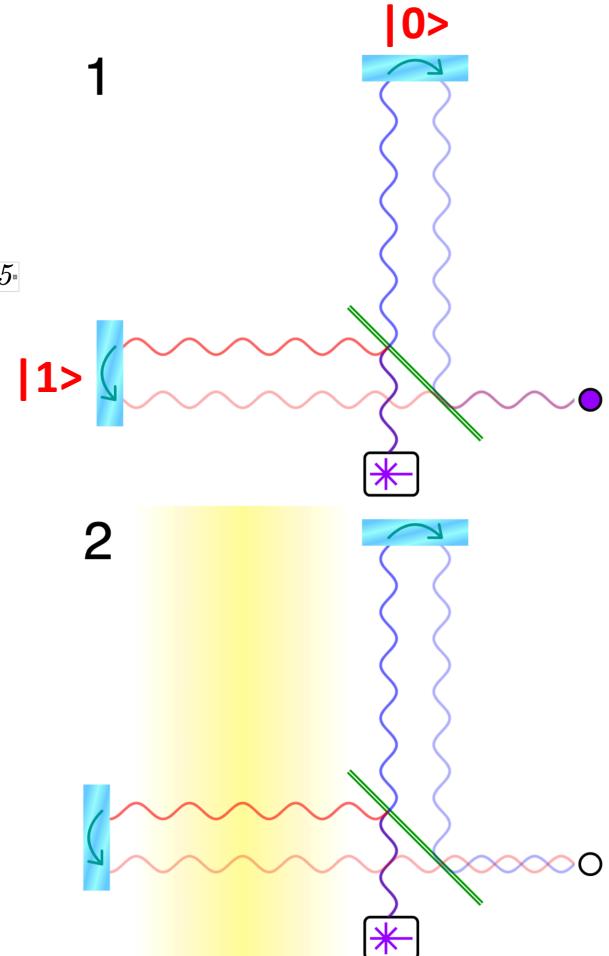
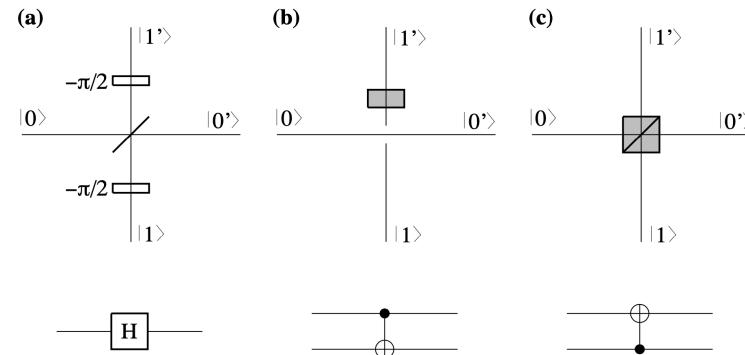
N. J. Cerf<sup>1</sup>, C. Adami<sup>1,2</sup>, and P. G. Kwiat<sup>3</sup>

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(March 1997)



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# Minimal physical examples of qubits and gates

- In previous slide,  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  are encoded as location
- Phase is due to propagation delay
- Enforces idea that qubit is a time and value discretized abstraction
- To be sure, getting a physical device to offer the illusion of “qubit” abstraction is very hard.
- For example, what would be an X gate in this model where we encode it as location?
- DiVincenzo's criteria about whether a quantum mechanical system could make a qubit.

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# Measurement

- If we measure the state  $|\psi\rangle = \sum_i c_i |\nu_i\rangle$
- Then the probability of observing an outcome i:  $\Pr[i] = |c_i|^2$

$$|\psi\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle$$

Probability of observing 0:  $|a_0|^2$

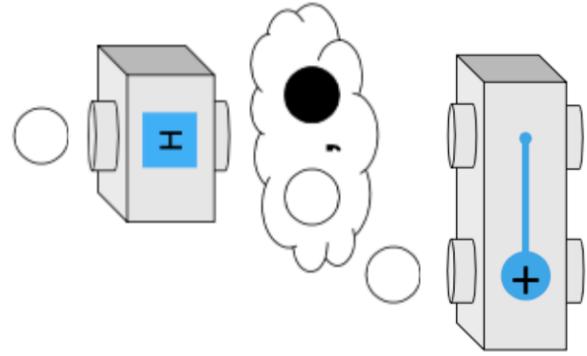
Probability of observing 1:  $|a_1|^2$

- You can also in non-standard basis; we will revisit when discussing VQE

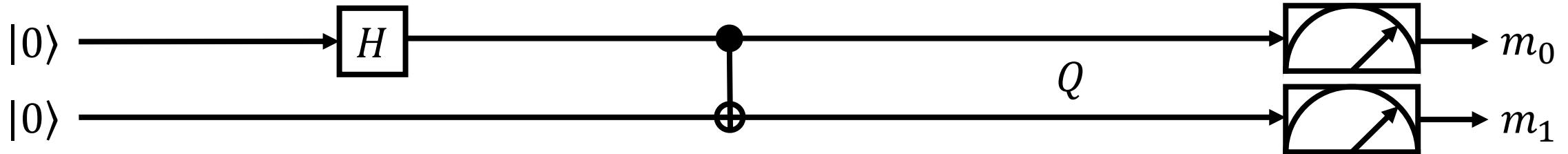
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# 2 qubit gates: entanglement



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**Two qubits**  
Tensor product

**Product state**  
Can be factored

**Controlled-NOT**  
Two-qubit operator

**Entangled state**  
Cannot be factored

**Measurement**  
Results correlated

$$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = |00\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |10\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{CNOT} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |00\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |11\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (m_0, m_1) \\ &= \begin{cases} (0,0), P = 1/2 \\ (1,1), P = 1/2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

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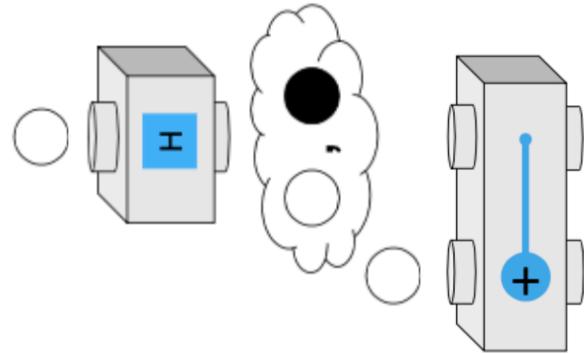
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- Because  $a_0 b_1 = 0$ , therefore either  $a_0 = 0$  or  $b_1 = 0$
- But neither can be the case because  $a_0 b_0 \neq 0$  and  $a_1 b_1 \neq 0$
- Therefore supposition is wrong.

# What about determining whether arbitrary state has entanglement or not?

- Determining whether states are product states
- Testing product states, quantum Merlin-Arthur games and tensor optimisation. Aram W. Harrow, Ashley Montanaro.  
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1001.0017>

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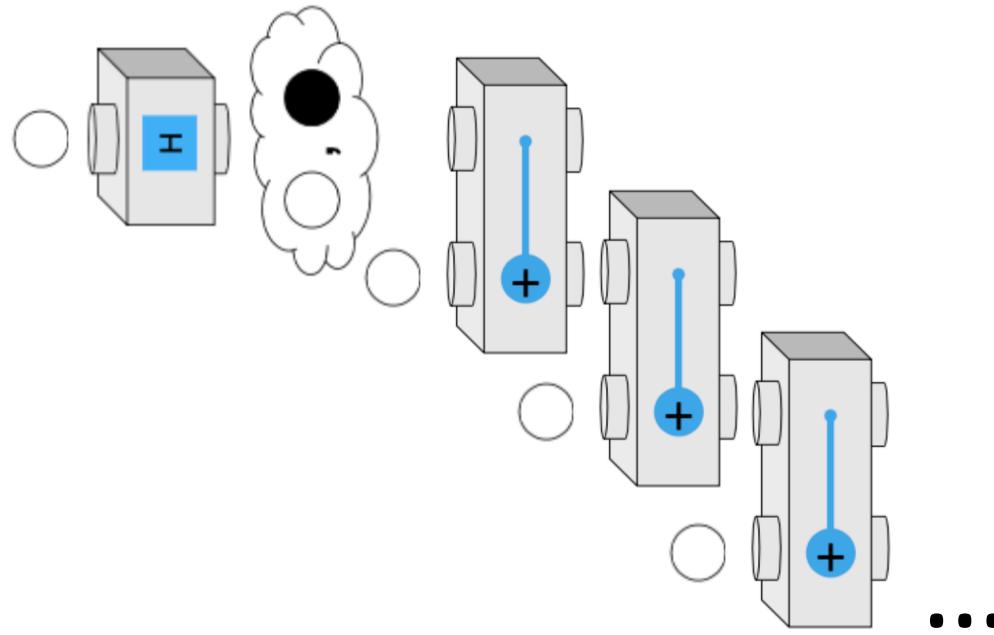


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What is the significance??

Entanglement means that you need the full state vector to describe states

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$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|00\dots0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|11\dots1\rangle$$

What does Preskill say about this?  
Is this plausible? Why not? What if we can pull it off?

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# Unitary matrices

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

Schrodinger's equation

$$\frac{d|\psi(t)\rangle}{dt} = -iH(t)|\psi(t)\rangle$$

H is the Hamiltonian, a Hermitian matrix  
i.e., H is its own conjugate transpose

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Discrete time updating

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = U|\psi(0)\rangle$$

Where U is the operator unitary matrix.

$$U^\dagger U = UU^\dagger = I$$

i.e., the adjoint (conjugate transpose) of U is U's inverse

$$\text{CNOT}|00\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Significance:

Must conserve energy

Must be reversible

Enforces the summation of probabilities = 1

# Some topics that we may revisit as needed

- Universality of the {H, T, CNOT, S} quantum gate set
- Mixed states and quantum noise
- First-step quantum algorithms: teleportation and superdense coding.  
Deutsch Jozsa.

# Recommended reading

- Quantum Computer Science: An Introduction. David Mermin.
- UCSD Summer school notes Quantum computing cheat sheet