

Lecture 21

Basics of Quantum Computing

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Lecture Plan

Today we will:

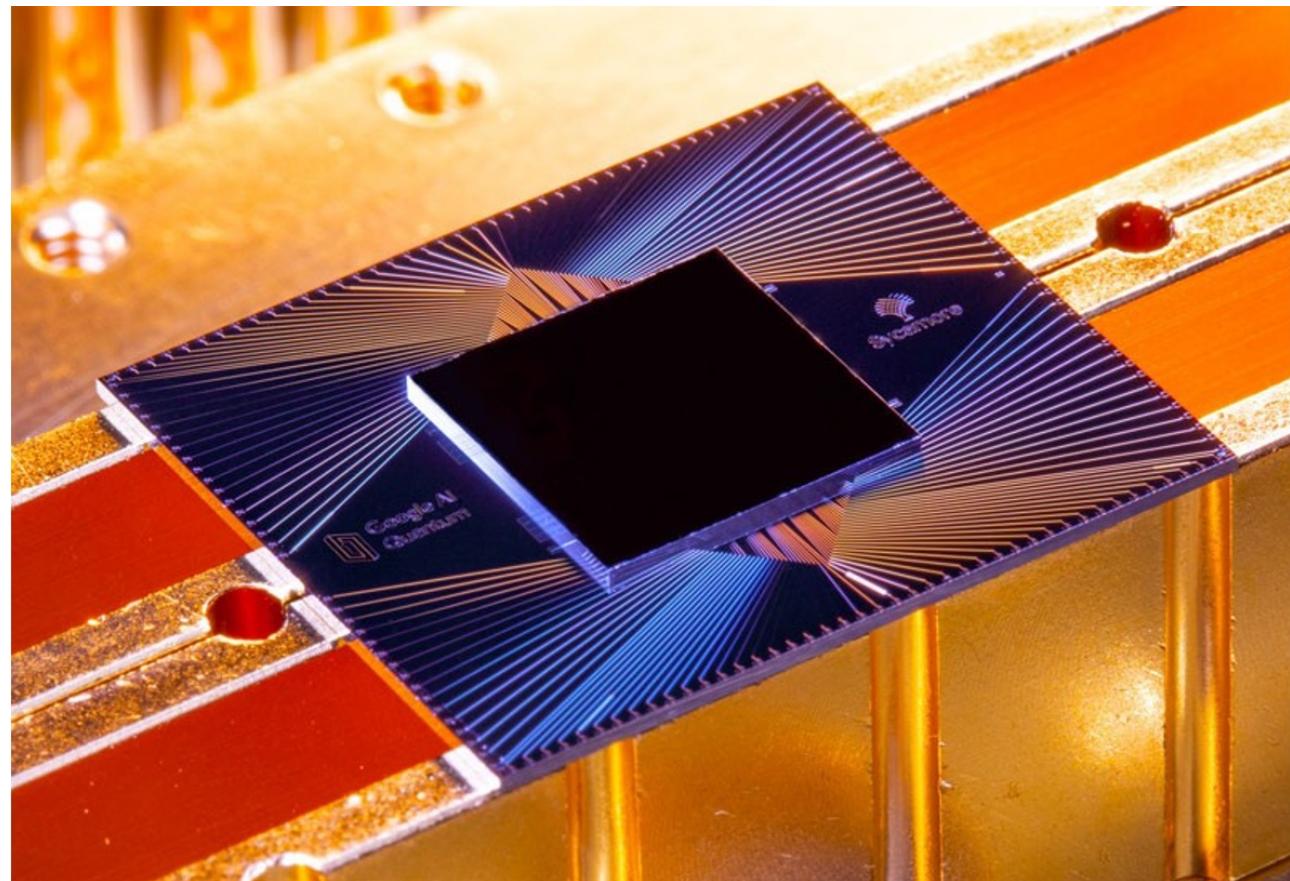
1. Sec1: Introduce **single** qubit state and gates
2. Sec2: Introduce **multiple**-qubit state and gates
3. Sec3: Introduce quantum **circuit**
4. Sec4: Introduce the **NISQ** Era and compilation problems

Quantum Computing

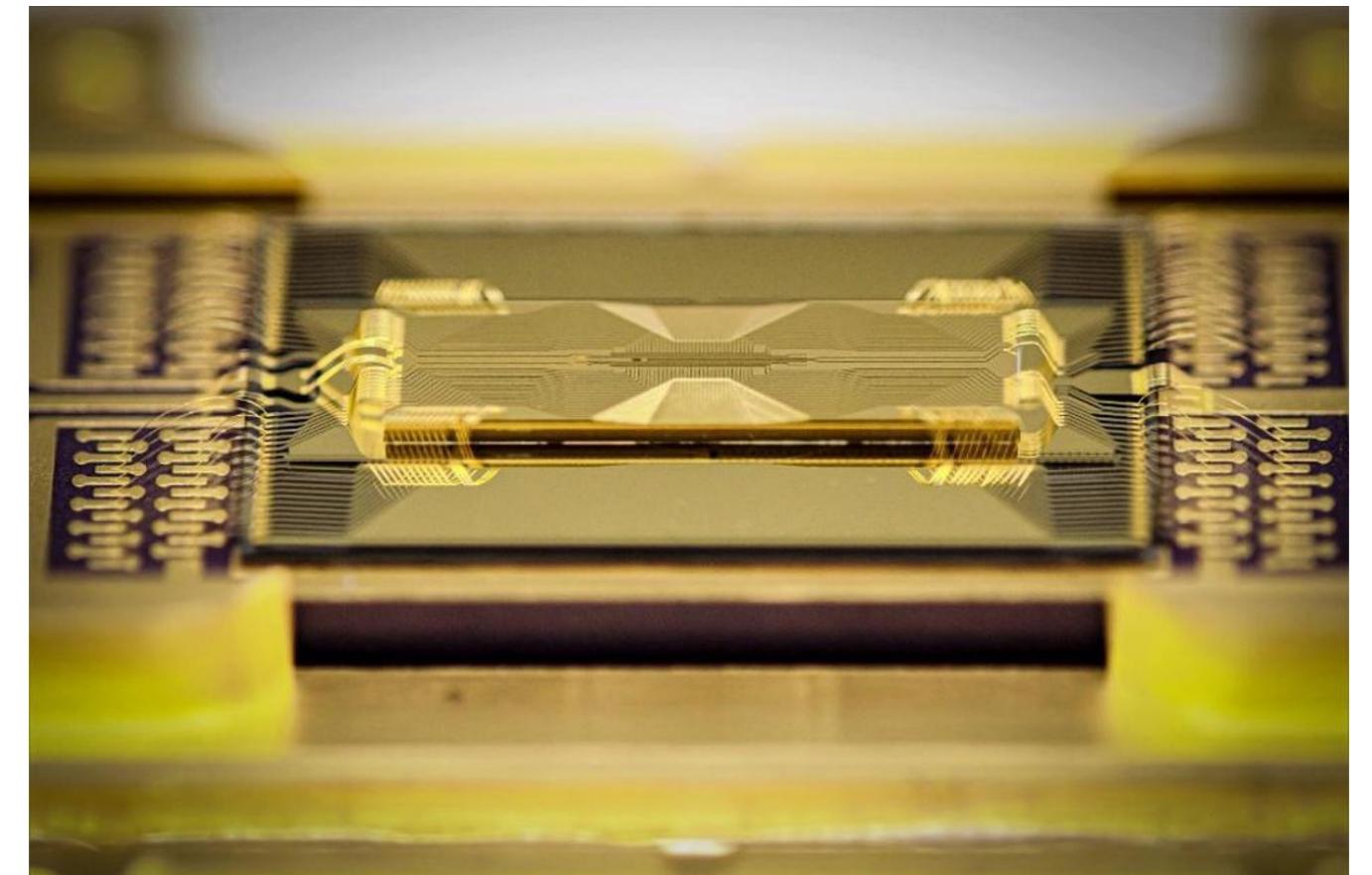
- Fast progress of quantum devices
- Different **technologies**
- Superconducting, trapped ion, neutral atom, photonics, etc.



433 Qubits



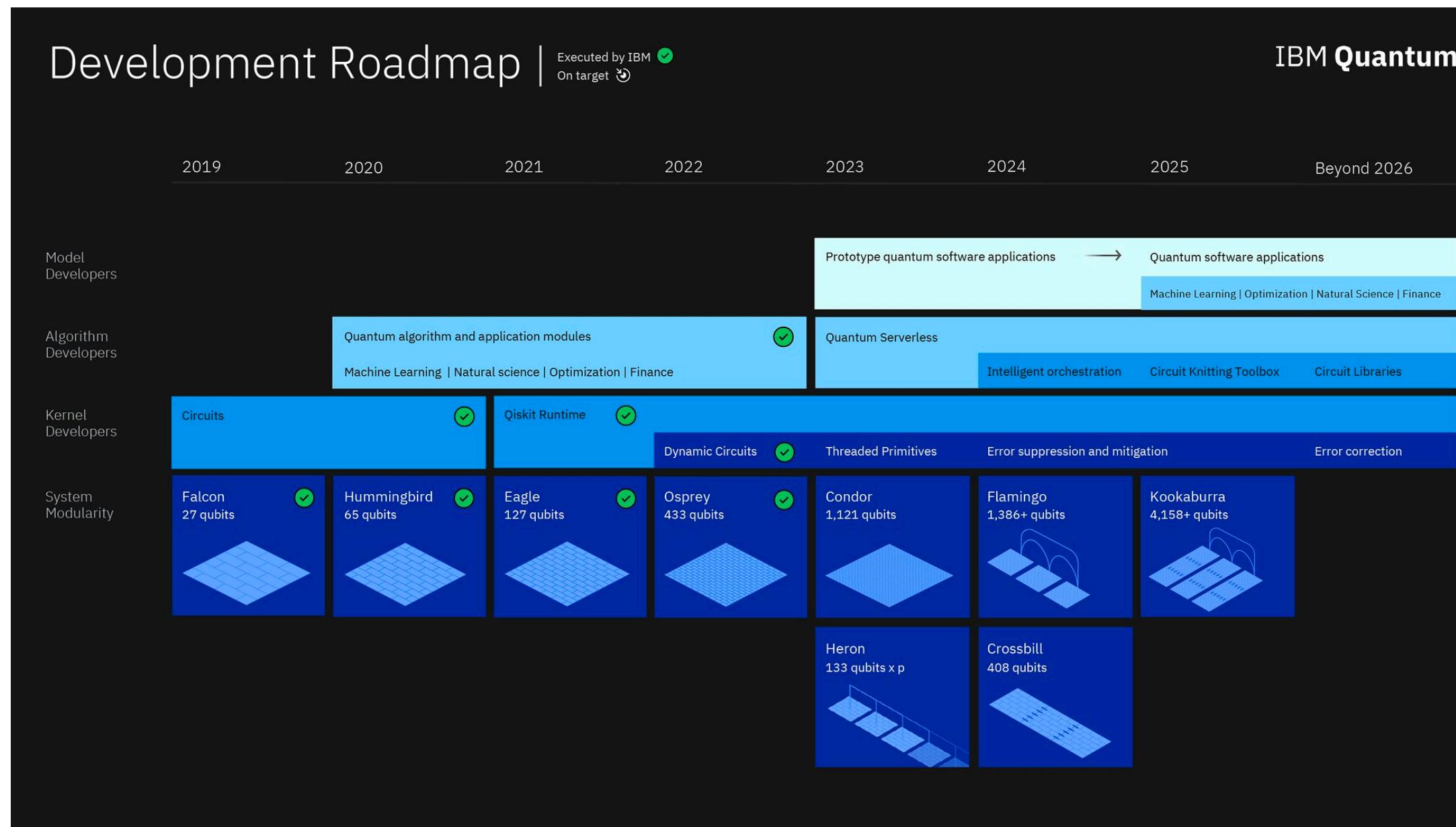
53 Qubits



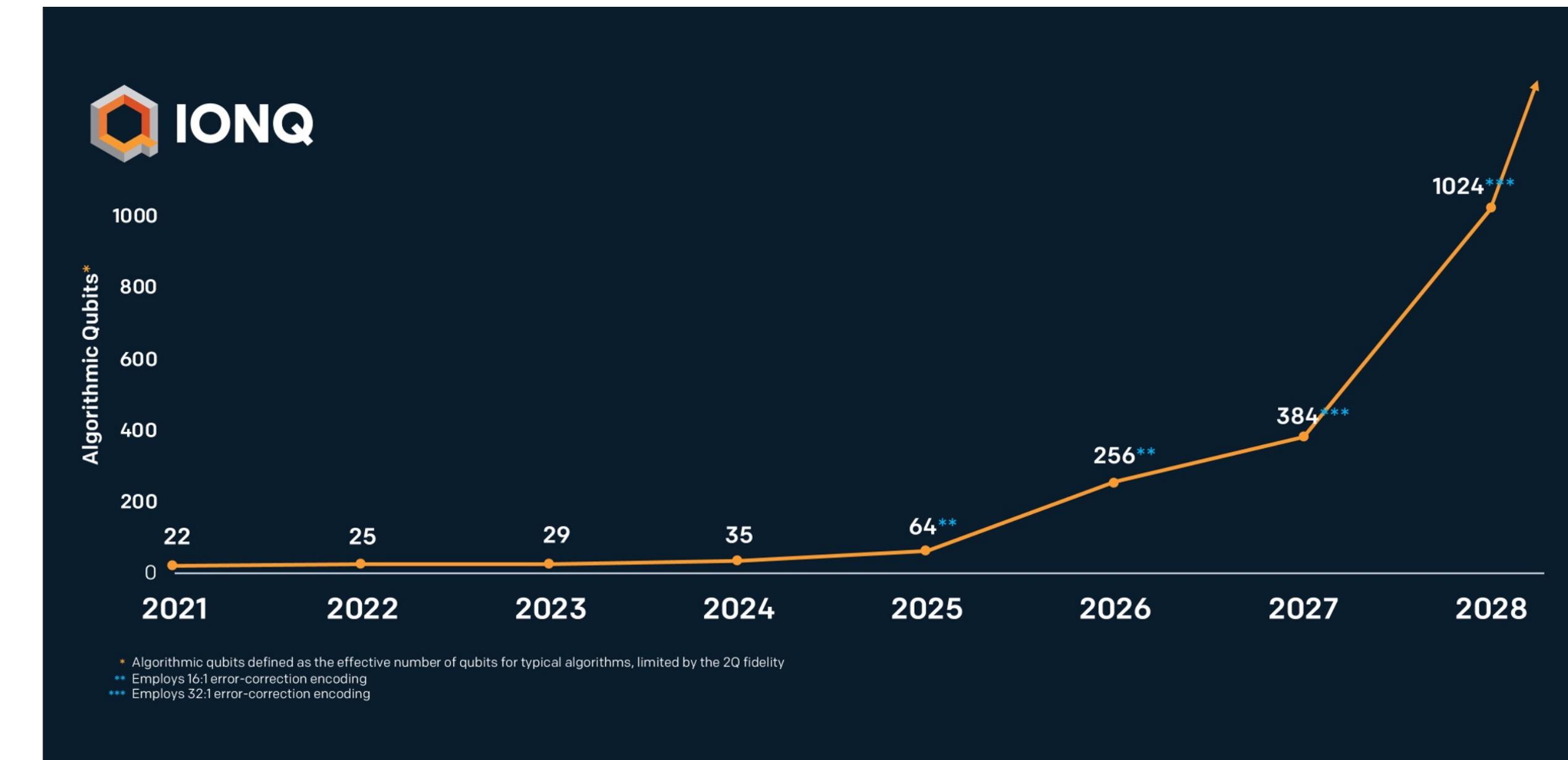
32+ Qubits

Quantum Computing

- The number of qubits increases **exponentially** over time
- The computing power increases **exponentially** with the number of qubits
- “**doubly exponential**” rate



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Section 1

Single Quantum Bit

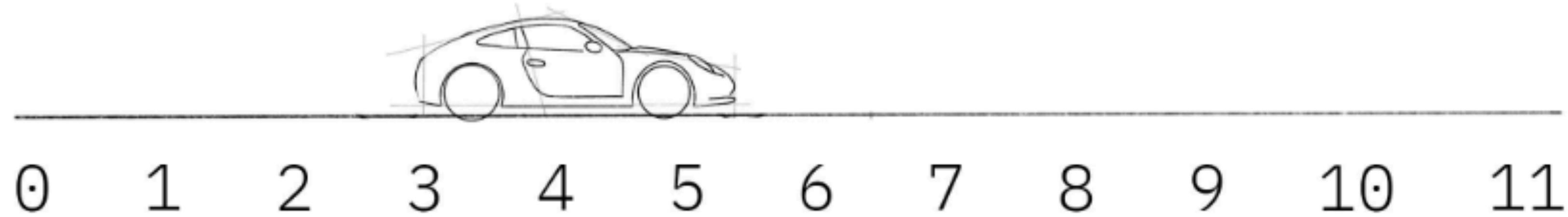
Qubit States

- The basic **component** of quantum compute is a Quantum Bit (**Qubit**)
- Use **statevector** to describe the state of the system

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Qubit States

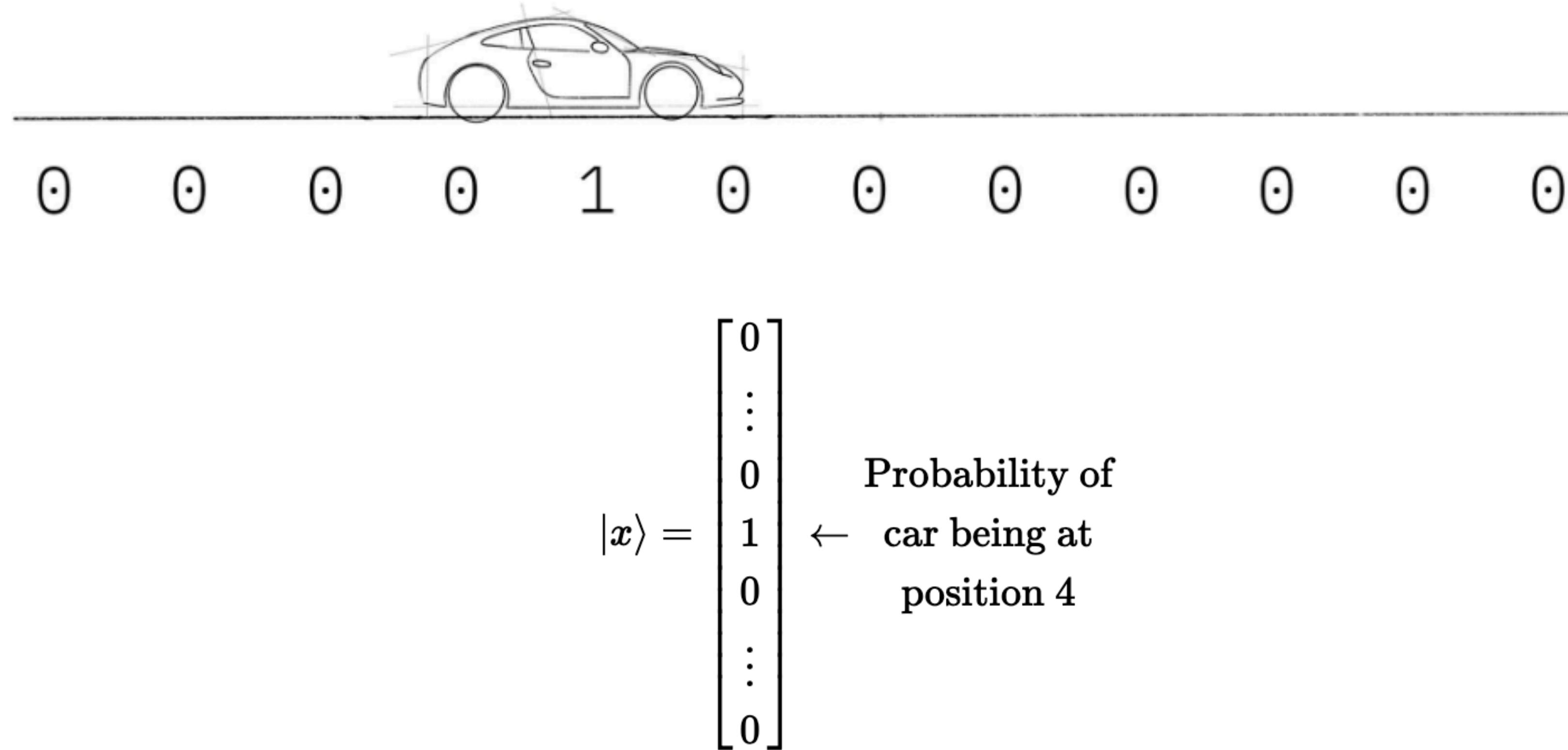
- Imagine a **classical** system, how to describe the state of the car?



$$x = 4$$

Qubit States

- **Probability** of car being at a location
- **Inefficient** in classical but very effective for representing quantum states



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Qubit Notation

- Classical: $a = 0$ or $a = 1$
- Quantum: use orthogonal vectors:
 - **Bra-ket** notation, or Dirac notation
 - $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ forms an orthonormal basis

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

- More complex states:

$$|q_0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Superposition

- How to write this state in another form with the **combination** of two basis states?

$$|q_0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0\rangle + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle$$

- This forms a superposition of two basis states: a **linear combination** of two states

Measurement

- To find the probability of measuring a state $|\psi\rangle$ in the state $|x\rangle$ we do:

$$p(|x\rangle) = |\langle x|\psi\rangle|^2$$

- $\langle x|$ is **row** vector and $|x\rangle$ is a **column** vectors
- Column vectors: **kets**
- Row vectors: **bras**
- Together bra-ket notation
- $\langle x|$ is the conjugate transpose of $|x\rangle$

$$|a\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\langle a| = [a_0^*, \quad a_1^*, \quad \dots \quad a_n^*]$$

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Measurement

$$p(|x\rangle) = |\langle x|\psi\rangle|^2$$

- $|x\rangle$ can be any states
- What is $|q_0\rangle$ measured in $|0\rangle$?

$$\begin{aligned} |q_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0\rangle + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle \\ \langle 0|q_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\langle 0|0\rangle + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\langle 0|1\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot 1 + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot 0 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ |\langle 0|q_0\rangle|^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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Measurement

- The probability should **add up to 1**
- Measure a state in itself should be 1

$$\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1$$

Thus if:

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

Then:

$$|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$$

Alternative Basis

- We can measure the qubits in $|0\rangle$, $|1\rangle$ states but also other basis
- There are **infinite** pairs of orthonormal basis
- When perform the measurement the state will choose one out of two basis states

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Global Phase

- Measure $|1\rangle$ will give 1 as output 100%
- What about $i|1\rangle$?

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

- i will **disappear** when taking magnitude

$$|\langle x|(i|1\rangle)|^2 = |i\langle x|1\rangle|^2 = |\langle x|1\rangle|^2$$

- $i|1\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ are **equivalent** in all ways that are physically relevant

Observer Effect

- Once we have **measured** the qubit, we know with certainty what the state of the qubit is

$$|q\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

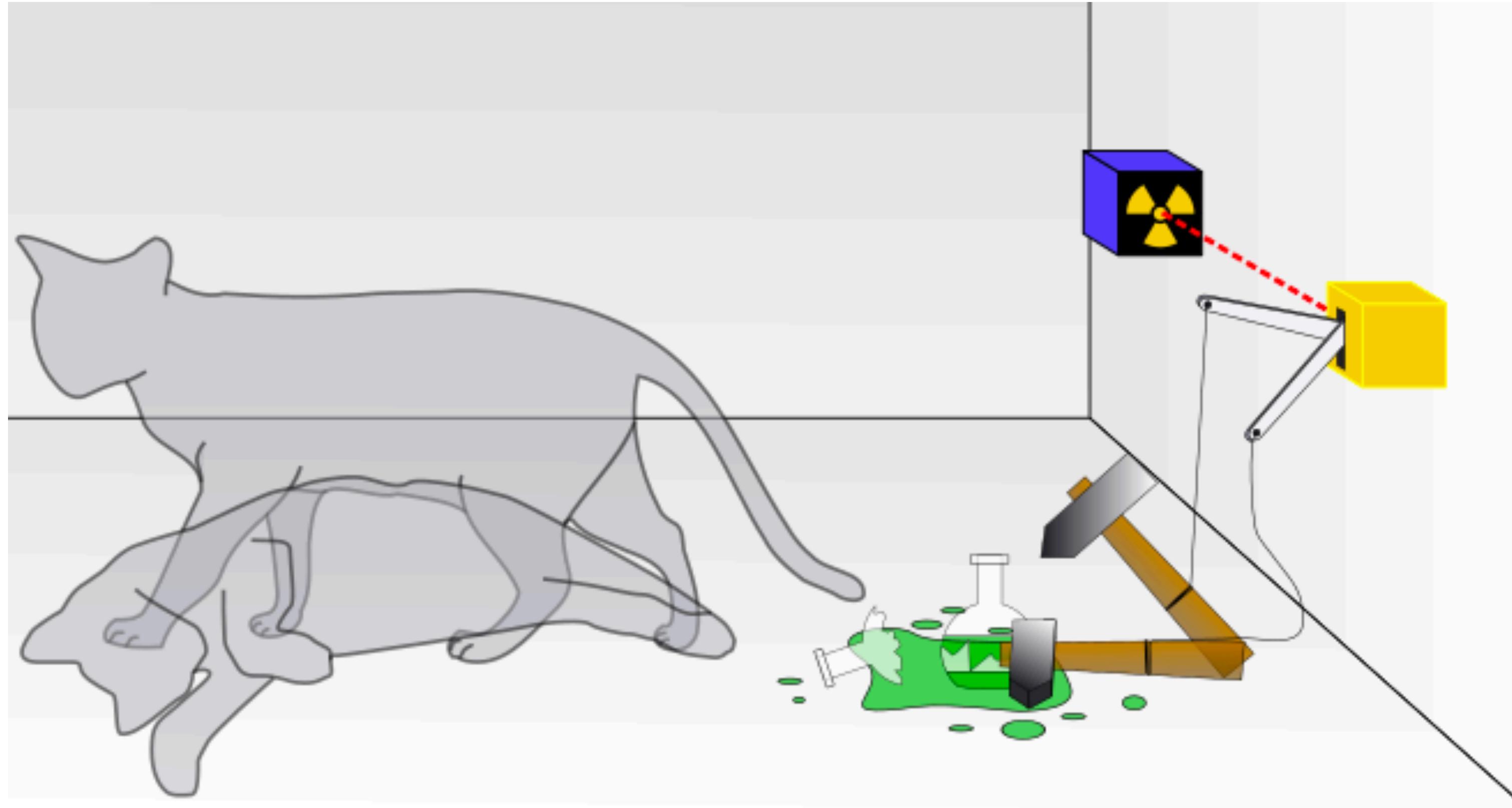
$$|q\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Measure } |0\rangle} |q\rangle = |0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The quantum state **collapses** to a classical state
- Typically measurement is performed at the **end** of computation
 - Otherwise the information will be lost
- When measure multiple qubits, we will only get a series of classical bits

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Schrodinger's cat

- In a superposition of live and die



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The Bloch Sphere

- How many free variables in a state?

$$|q\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

$$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$|q\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + e^{i\phi}\beta|1\rangle$$

$$\alpha, \beta, \phi \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\sqrt{\alpha^2 + \beta^2} = 1 \quad |q\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta}{2}|0\rangle + e^{i\phi} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}|1\rangle$$

$$\theta, \phi \in \mathbb{R}$$

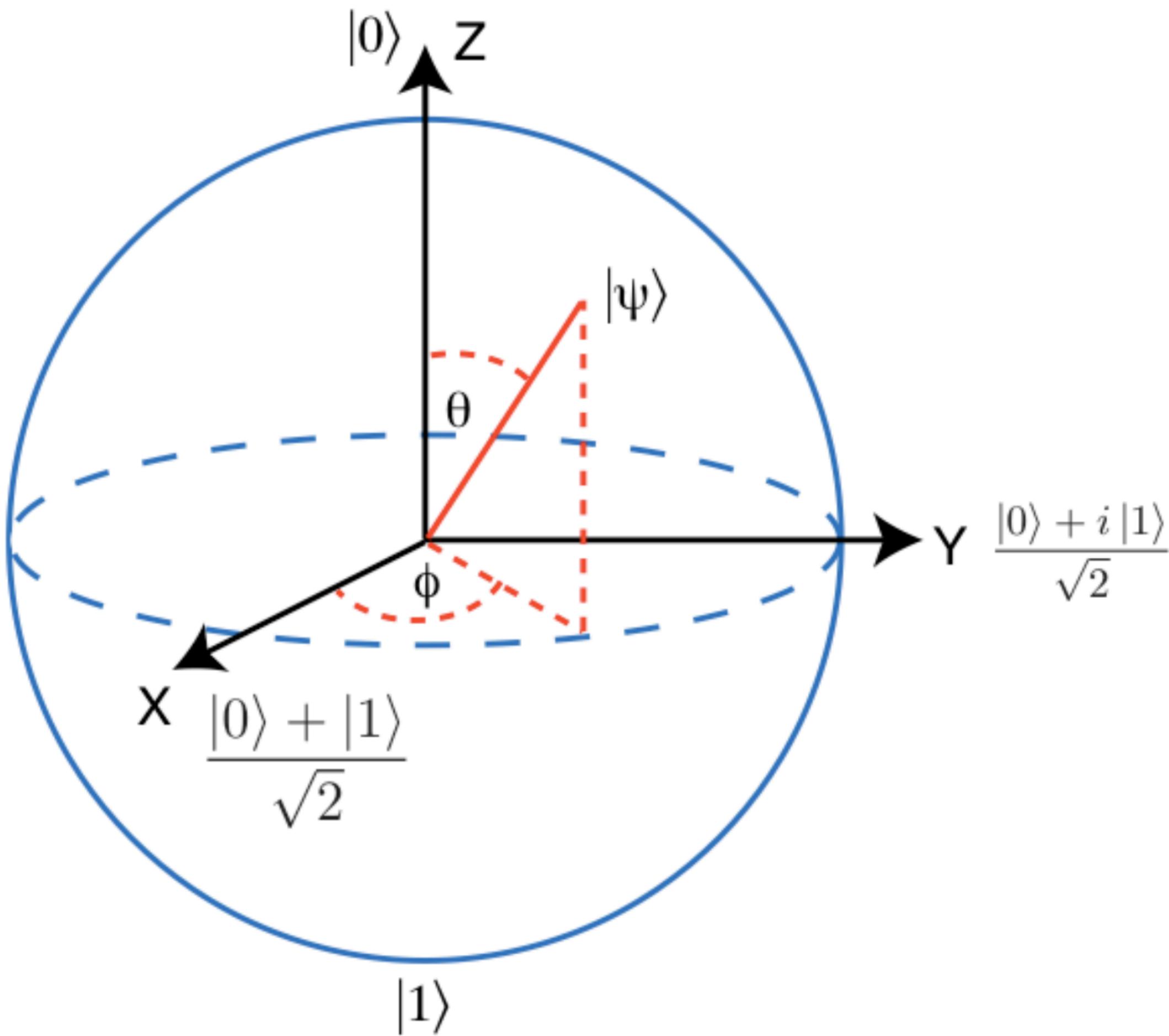
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The Bloch Sphere

$$|q\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + e^{i\phi} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} |1\rangle$$

$$\theta, \phi \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Consider theta and phi are **spherical** coordinates
- Any single qubit state is on the surface of a sphere — **Bloch sphere**



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Single Qubit Gates

- All the quantum gates are **reversible**
- What is the simplest reversible gate in classical computation?
- Reversible gates can be represented as matrices or rotations around the Bloch sphere

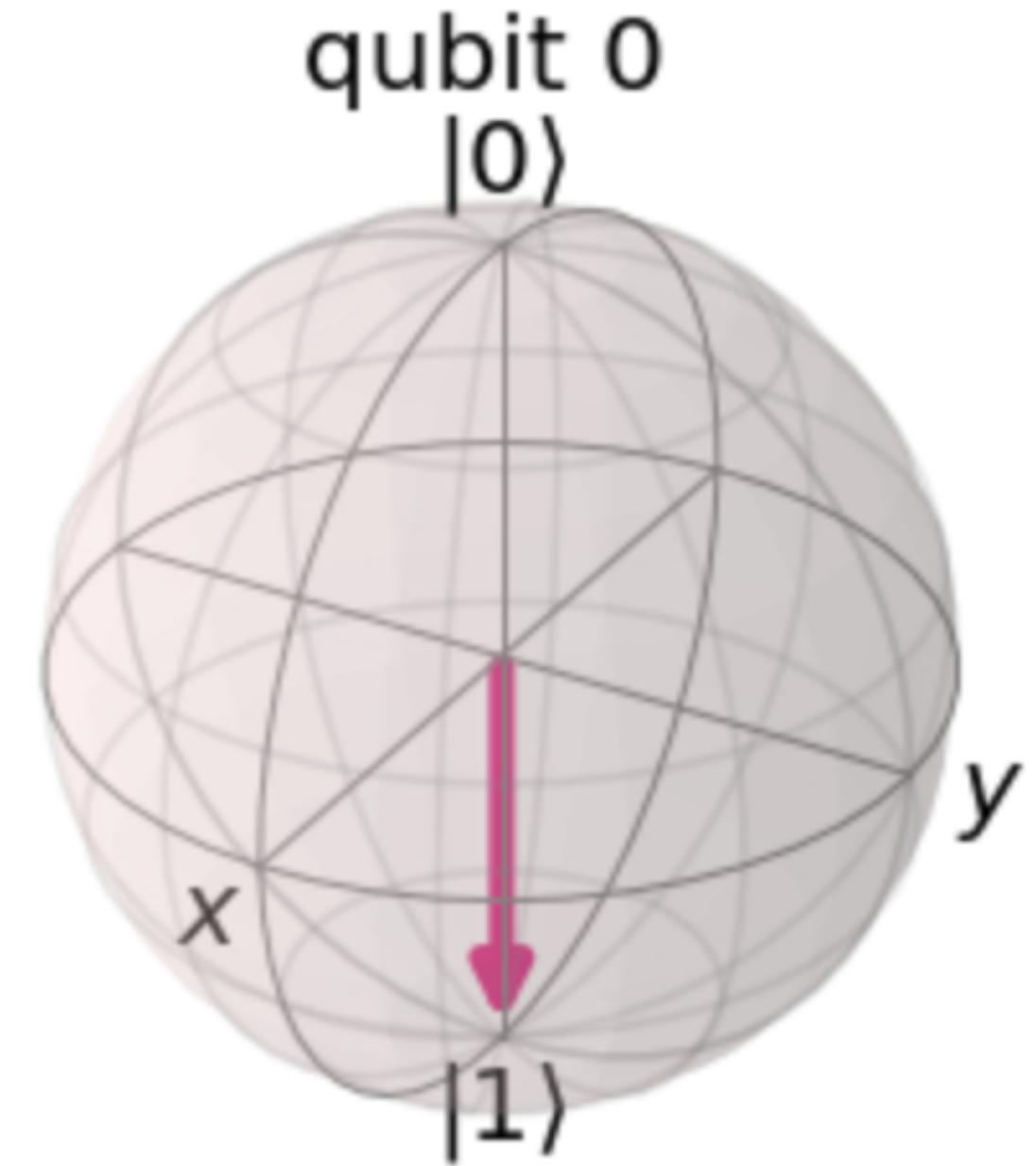
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Pauli Gates

- X Gates

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = |0\rangle\langle 1| + |1\rangle\langle 0|$$
$$X|0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = |1\rangle$$



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Pauli Gates

- Y and Z gates

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y = -i|0\rangle\langle 1| + i|1\rangle\langle 0|$$

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Z = |0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

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X, Y & Z-Bases

- What happens when we apply the Z gate to $|0\rangle$ state? still $|0\rangle$
- What happens when we apply the Z gate to $|1\rangle$ state? still $-|1\rangle$ but physically **indistinguishable** to $|1\rangle$

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Z = |0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

- $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ are the eigenstate of Z
- The computational basis formed by $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ is often called Z-basis

X, Y & Z-Bases

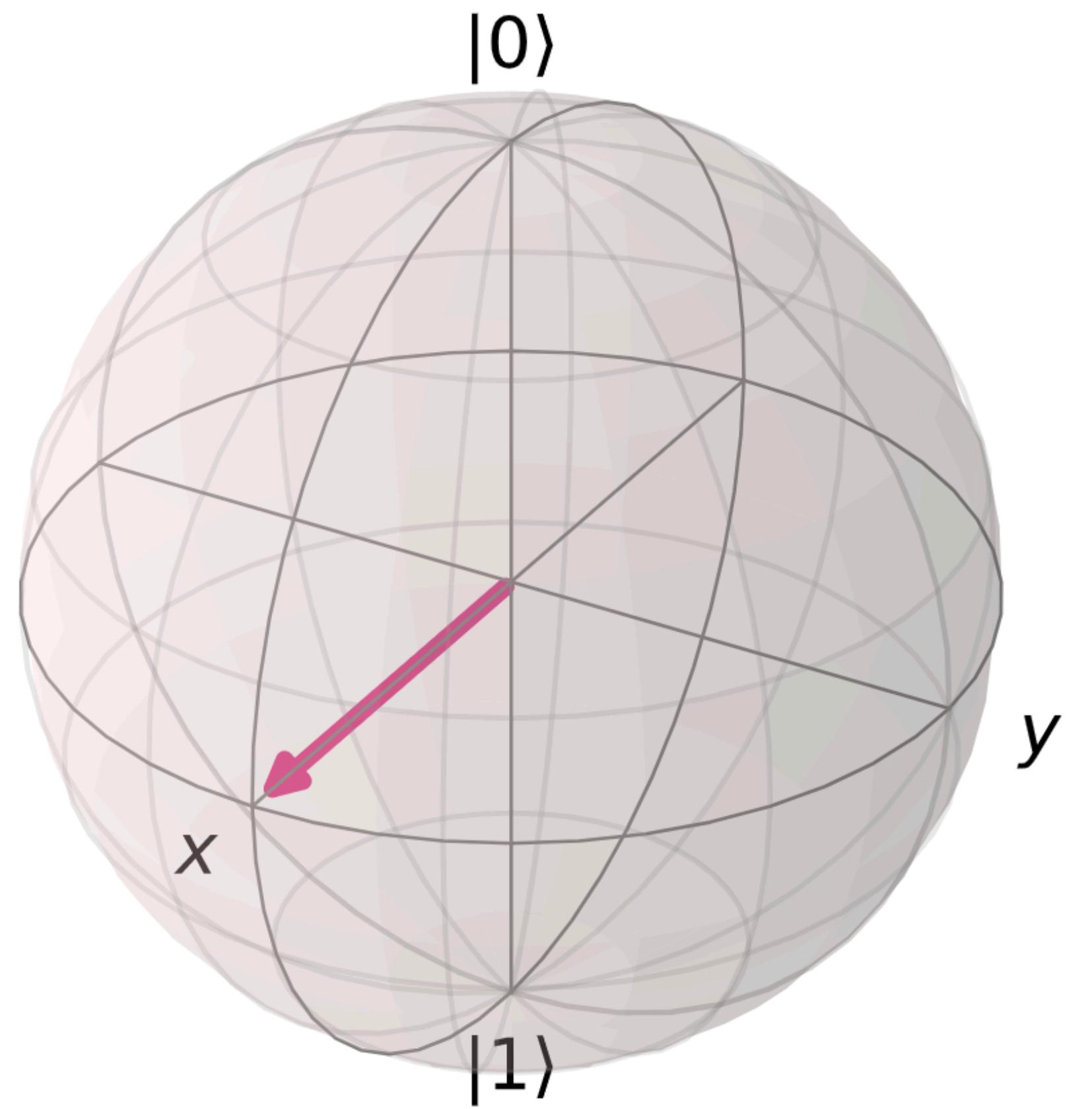
- X-Basis: the basis are $|+\rangle$ and $|-\rangle$:

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

$$|-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Y-Basis: the basis are $|L\rangle$ and $|R\rangle$:

$$|R\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad |L\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle - i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$



Hadamard Gate

- Hadamard gate can create **superposition** of $|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} H|0\rangle &= |+\rangle \\ H|1\rangle &= |-\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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Other Gates

- The single qubit gate that contains parameter

$$P(\phi) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\phi} \end{bmatrix} \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\frac{i\pi}{2}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad S^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\frac{i\pi}{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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U Gate

- Contains three parameters and can implement **all possible** gates

$$U(\theta, \phi, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) & -e^{i\lambda} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ e^{i\phi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) & e^{i(\phi+\lambda)} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$U\left(\frac{\pi}{2}, 0, \pi\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = H \quad U(0, 0, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda} \end{bmatrix} = P$$

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Section 2

Multiple Quantum Bits

Multi-Qubit State

- 2 bits have 4 possible
- 00 01 10 11
- 2 quantum bits?

$$|a\rangle = a_{00}|00\rangle + a_{01}|01\rangle + a_{10}|10\rangle + a_{11}|11\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{01} \\ a_{10} \\ a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Multi-Qubit Measurement

- The principle holds for multiple qubits

$$p(|00\rangle) = |\langle 00|a\rangle|^2 = |a_{00}|^2$$

- **Normalization** principle

$$|a_{00}|^2 + |a_{01}|^2 + |a_{10}|^2 + |a_{11}|^2 = 1$$

Collective State

- Kronecker product
- n qubit: 2^n complex amplitudes in the statevector
- Difficulty to simulate on classical machines

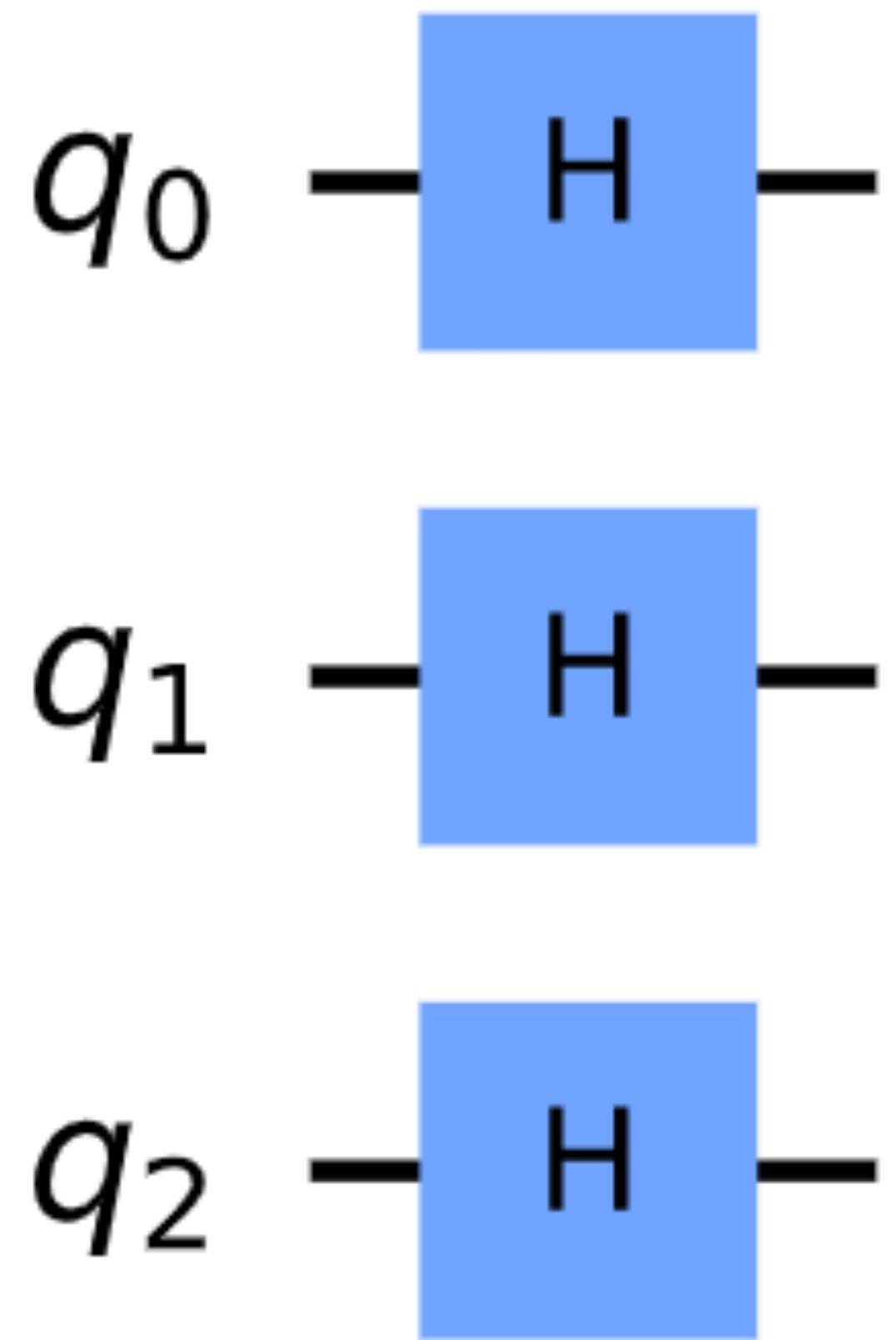
$$|a\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad |b\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|ba\rangle = |b\rangle \otimes |a\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \times \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ b_1 \times \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0a_0 \\ b_0a_1 \\ b_1a_0 \\ b_1a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|cba\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} c_0b_0a_0 \\ c_0b_0a_1 \\ c_0b_1a_0 \\ c_0b_1a_1 \\ c_1b_0a_0 \\ c_1b_0a_1 \\ c_1b_1a_0 \\ c_1b_1a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

An collective state example

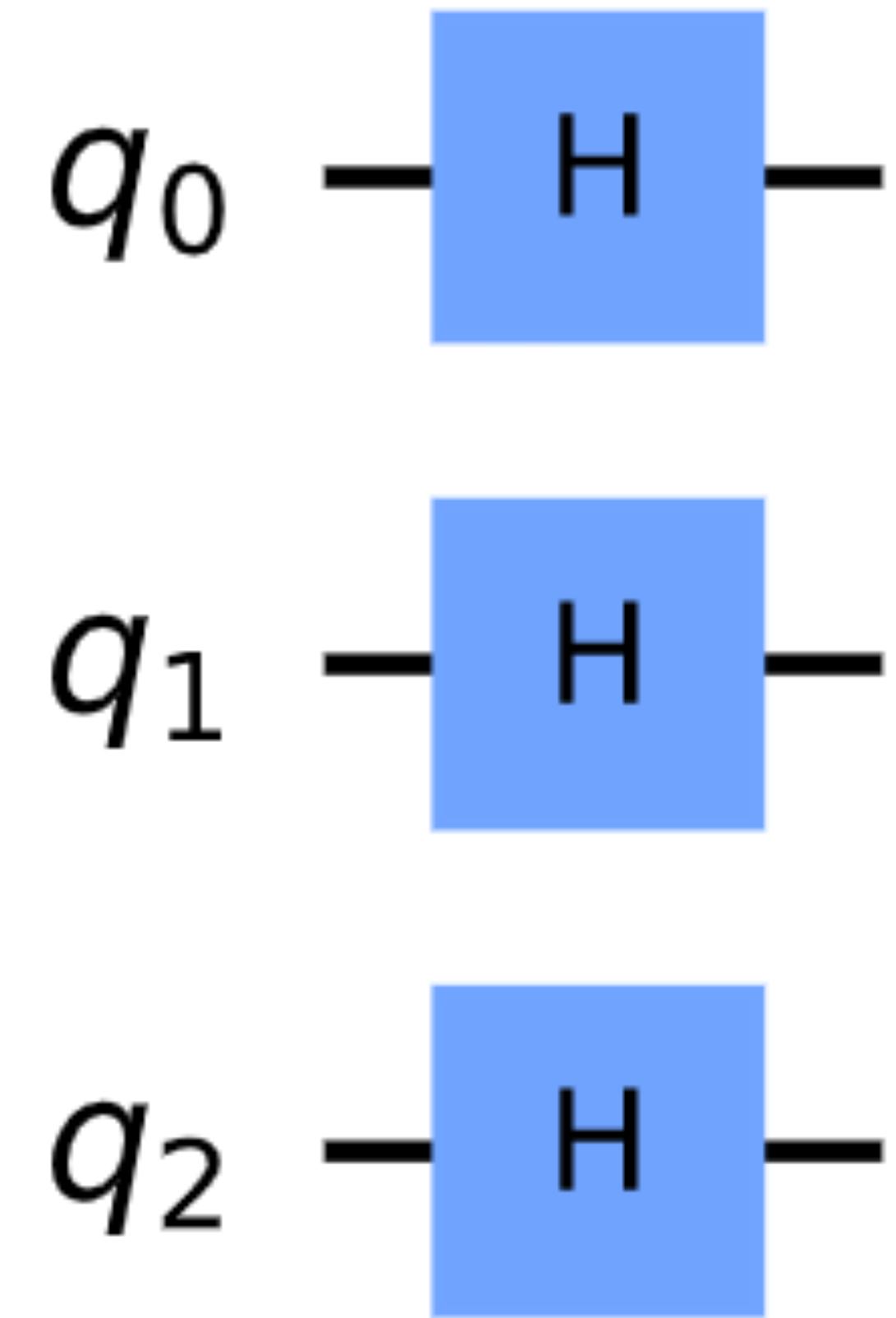
- Example of H gates on three qubits



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An collective state example

- Example of H gates on three qubits



$$|+++ \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Single Qubit Gate on Multi-Qubit system

- What happens when we apply single qubit gate to multt-qubit system?

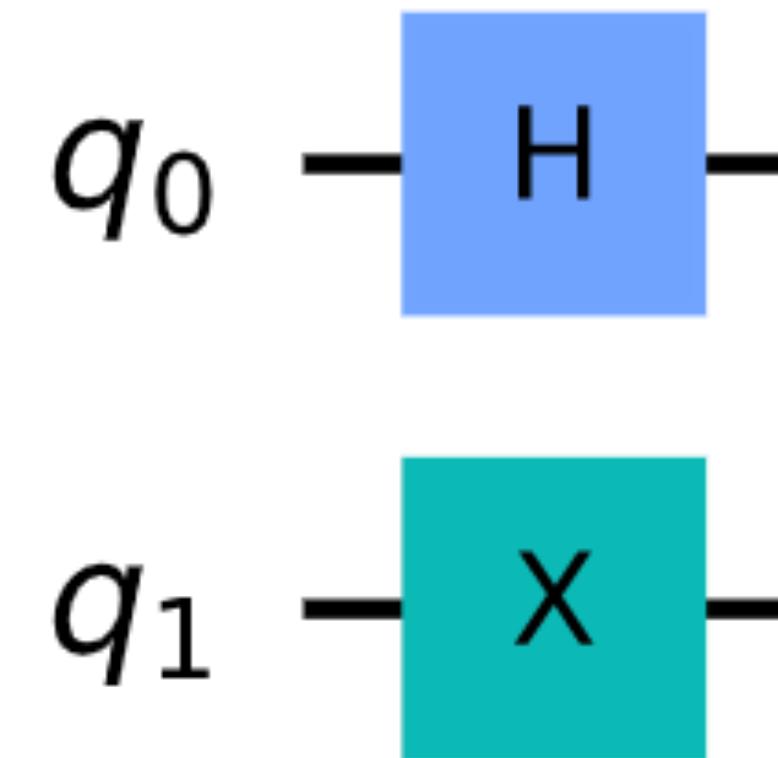
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad X|0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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



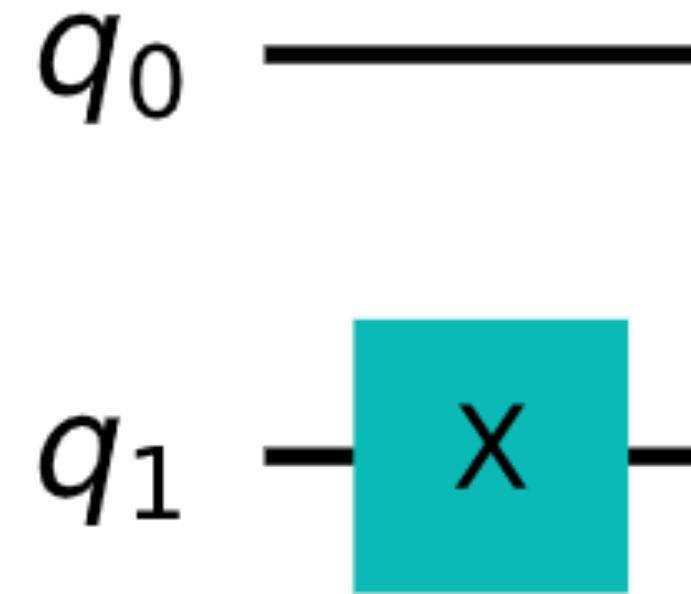
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} & 1 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ 1 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} & 0 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X|q_1\rangle \otimes H|q_0\rangle = (X \otimes H)|q_1q_0\rangle$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad X \otimes H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & H \\ H & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Single Qubit Gate on Multi-Qubit system

- Joint unitary matrix

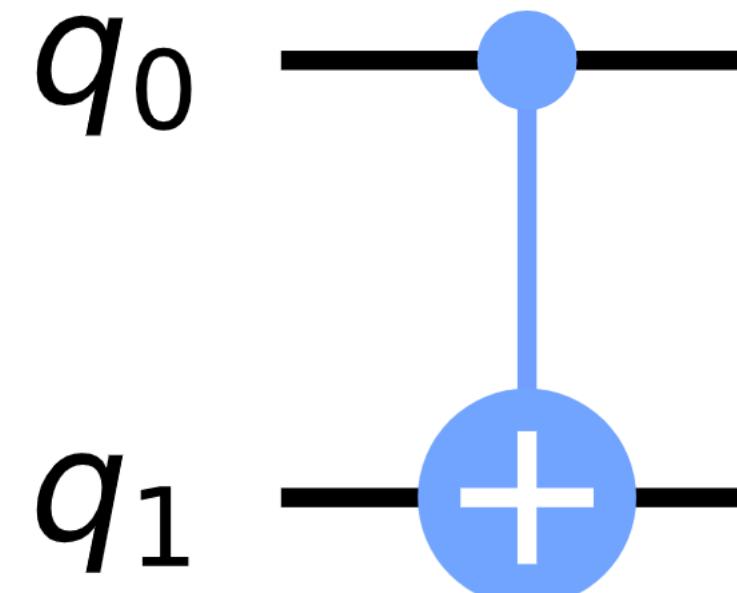


$$X \otimes I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Multi-Qubit Gates

- CNOT gate

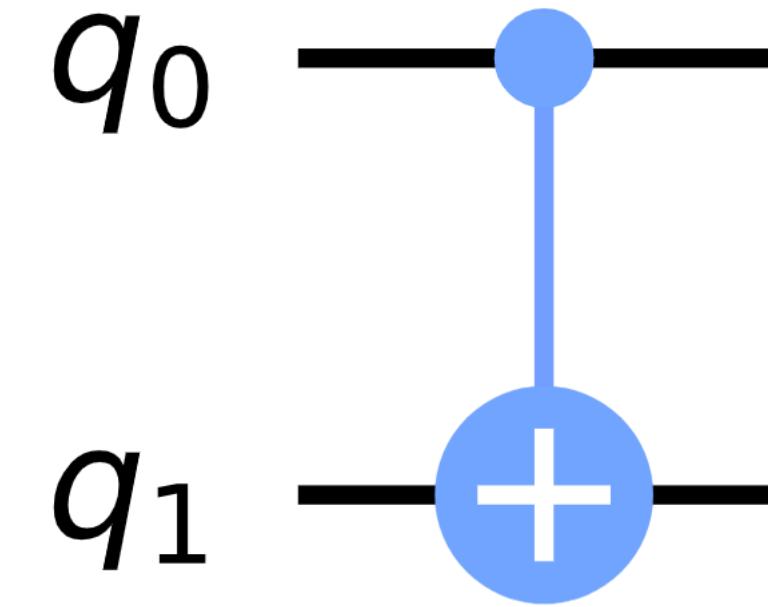


Input (t,c)	Output (t,c)
00	00
01	11
10	10
11	01

$$CNOT = \begin{bmatrix} 00 & 00 & 01 & 10 \\ 01 & 11 & 00 & 00 \\ 10 & 00 & 00 & 10 \\ 11 & 00 & 10 & 00 \end{bmatrix}$$

Multi-Qubit Gates

- CNOT gate

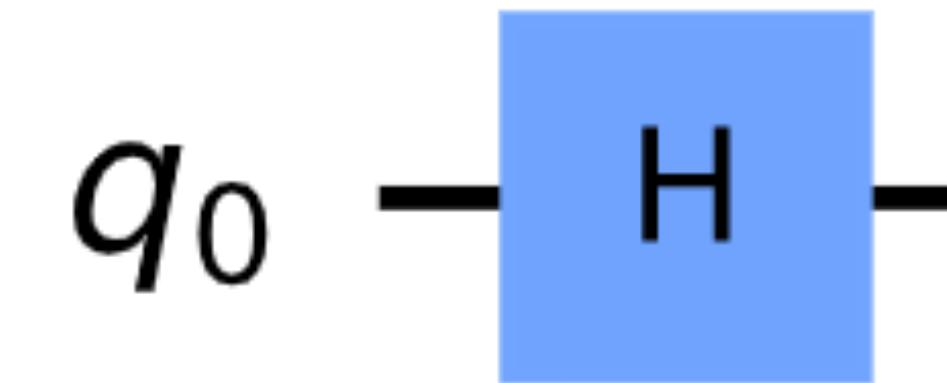


$$|a\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{01} \\ a_{10} \\ a_{11} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{CNOT}|a\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} \\ a_{11} \\ a_{10} \\ a_{01} \end{bmatrix}$$

The equation shows the state vector $|a\rangle$ and the result of applying a CNOT gate to it. The initial state $|a\rangle$ is represented by a column vector with four components: a_{00} , a_{01} , a_{10} , and a_{11} . The CNOT gate acts as a permutation matrix, swapping the second and fourth components of the state vector, resulting in the final state where the second component is a_{11} and the fourth component is a_{01} .

Entanglement

- How CNOT creates **entanglement**?

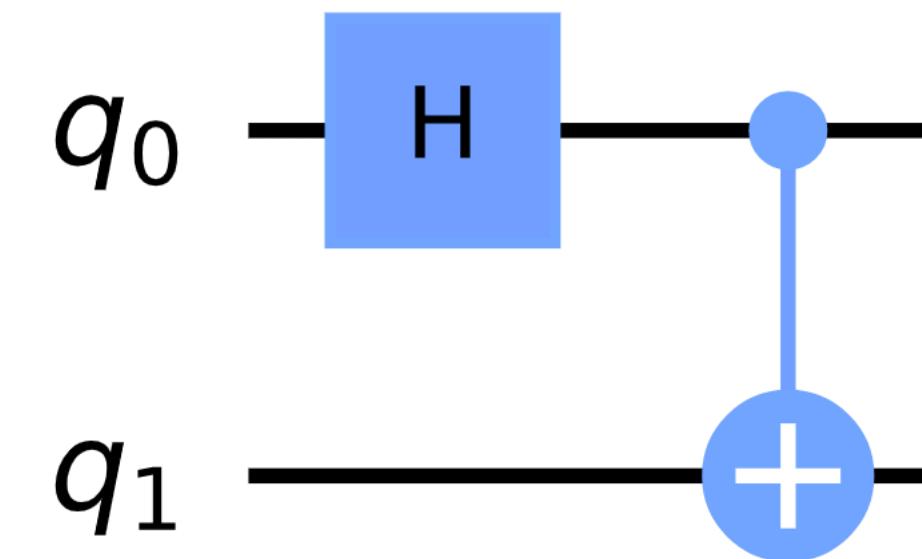


$$|0+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle)$$

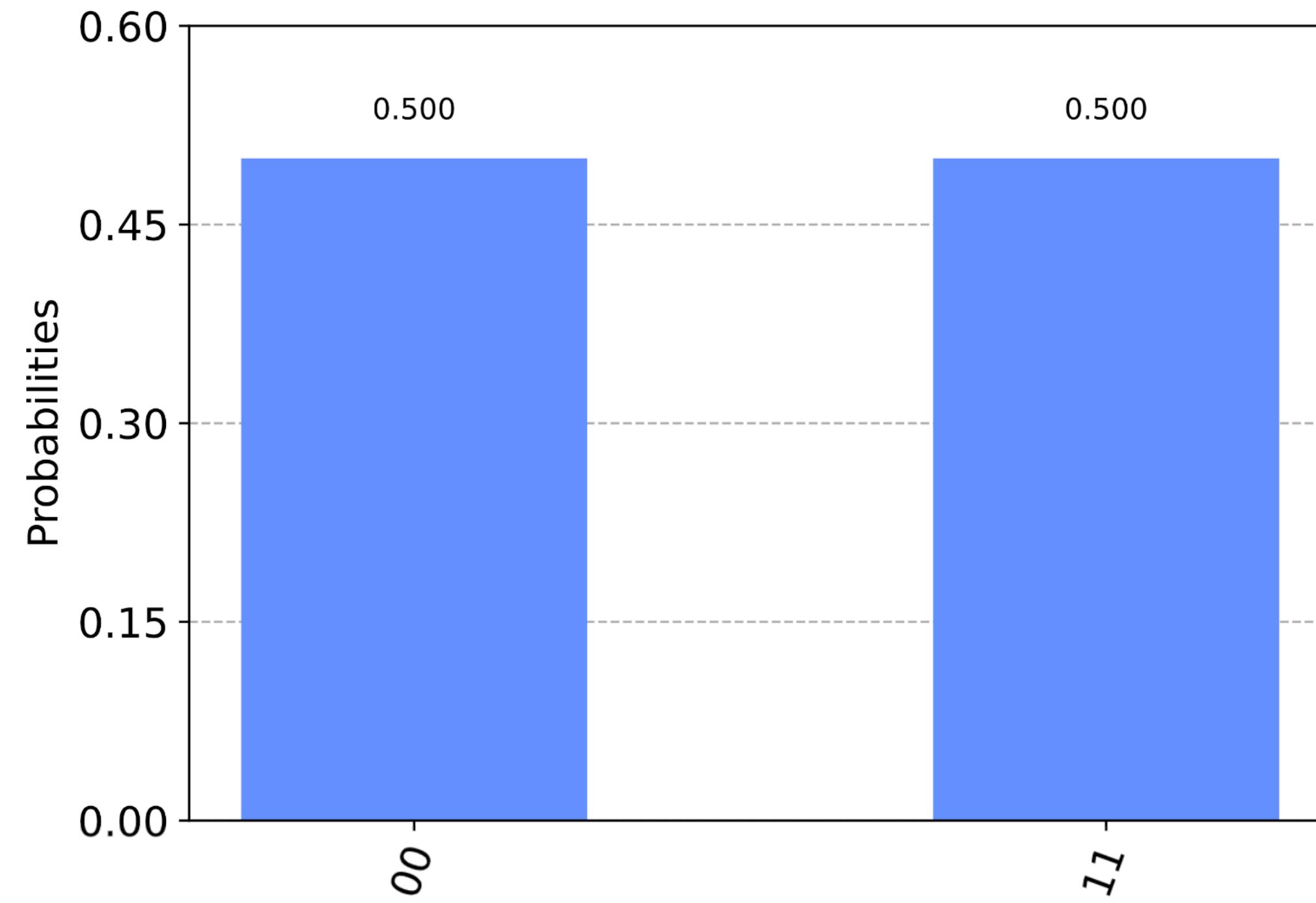
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Entanglement

- The classical results **must be the same** of two qubits



$$\text{CNOT}|0+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$



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Spooky action at a distance

- “Even if we separated these qubits **light-years away**, measuring one qubit collapses the superposition and appears to have an immediate effect on the other”

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \xrightarrow{\text{measure}} |11\rangle$$

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No-communication theorem

- The measurement result is **random**
- The measurement statistics of one qubit are **not affected** by any operation on the other qubit
- It is not possible to use shared quantum state to **communicate**

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Phase Kickback

- One 1 qubit gate

$$X|-\rangle = -|-\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{CNOT}|-\mathbf{0}\rangle &= |-\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \\ &= |-\mathbf{0}\rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{CNOT}|-\mathbf{1}\rangle &= X|-\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ &= -|-\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ &= -|-\mathbf{1}\rangle\end{aligned}$$

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Phase Kickback

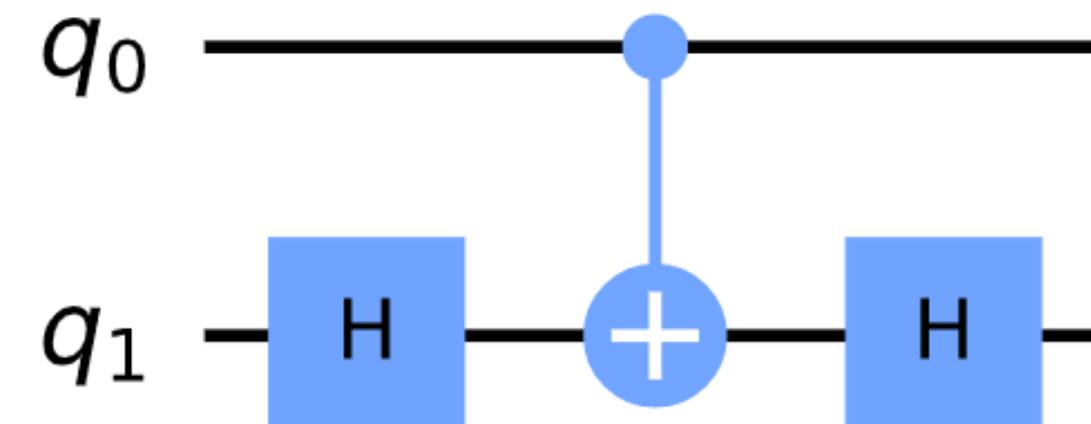
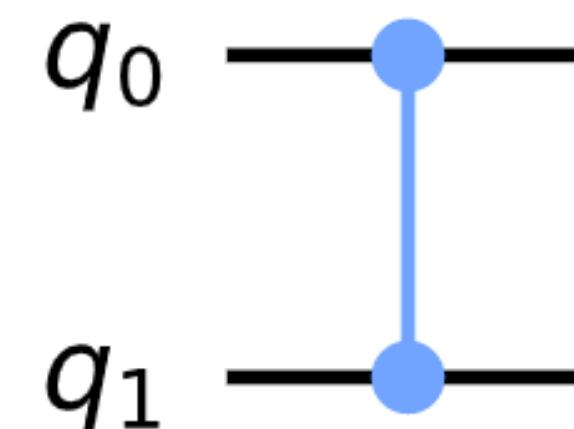
- The CNOT add an additional phase on the **control** qubit

$$\begin{aligned}\text{CNOT}|-\rangle = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\text{CNOT}|0\rangle + \text{CNOT}|1\rangle) \\ = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + X|1\rangle) \\ = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \\ = & |-\rangle \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \\ = & |--\rangle\end{aligned}$$

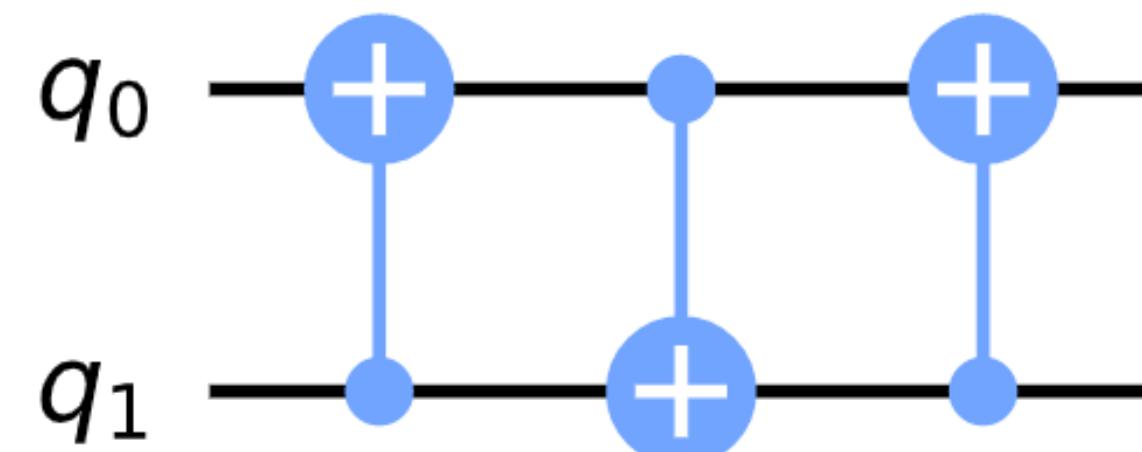
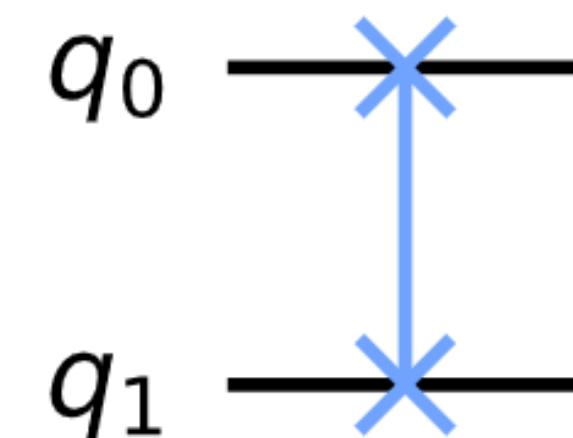
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More commonly used multi-qubit gates

- CZ



- SWAP



- CRX

$$CRX(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & -i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

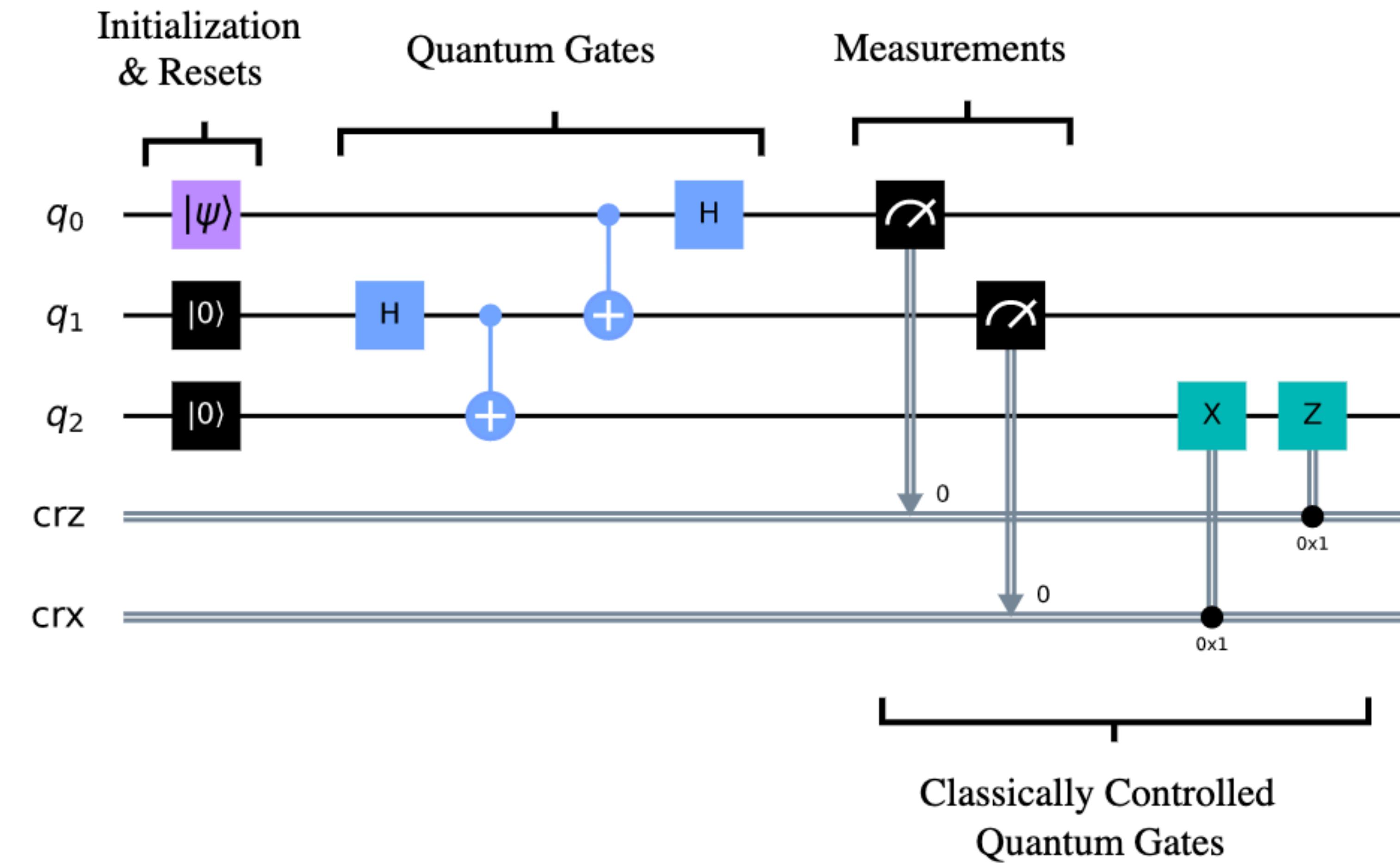
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Section 3

Quantum Circuit

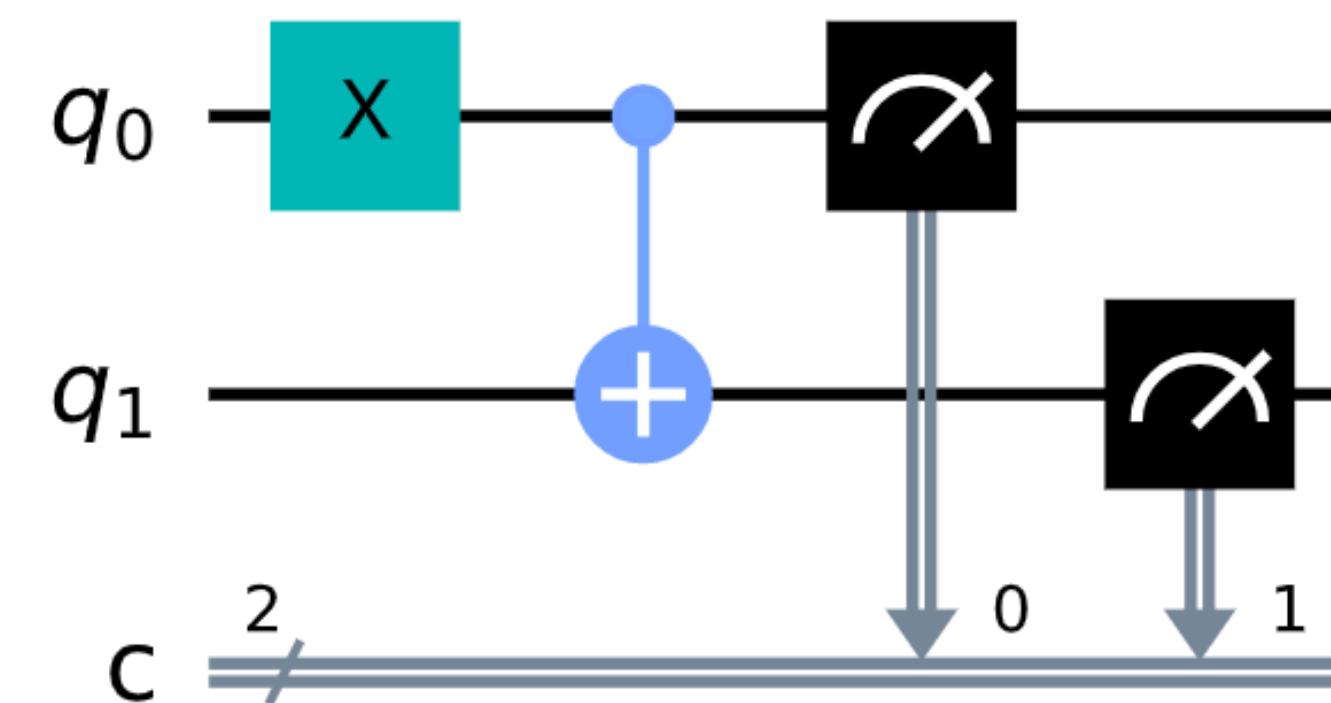
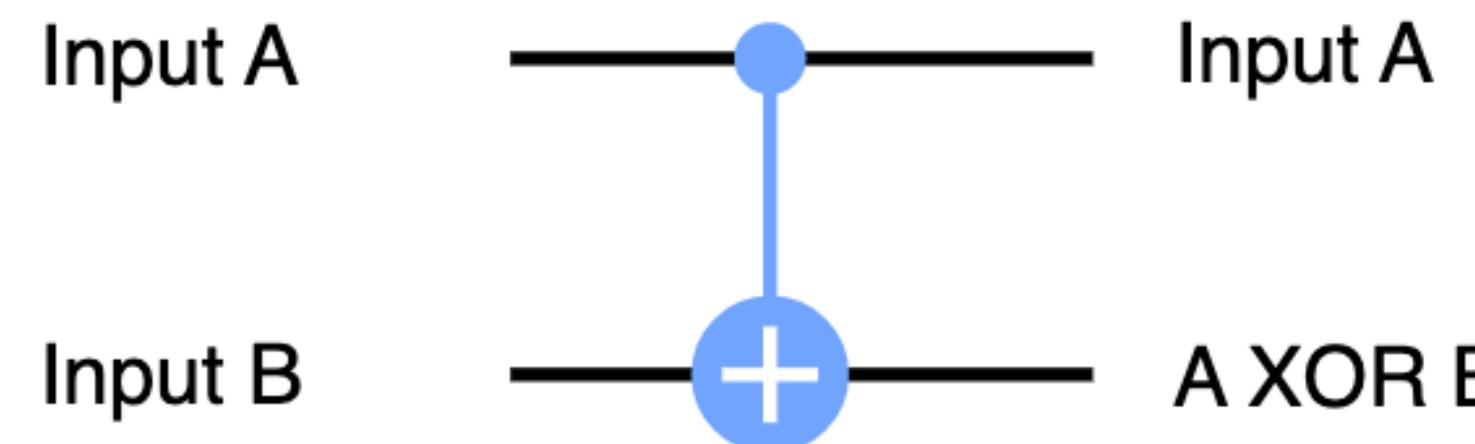
Quantum Circuit

- Different components of a quantum circuit



An Adder Circuit

- CNOT gate again:

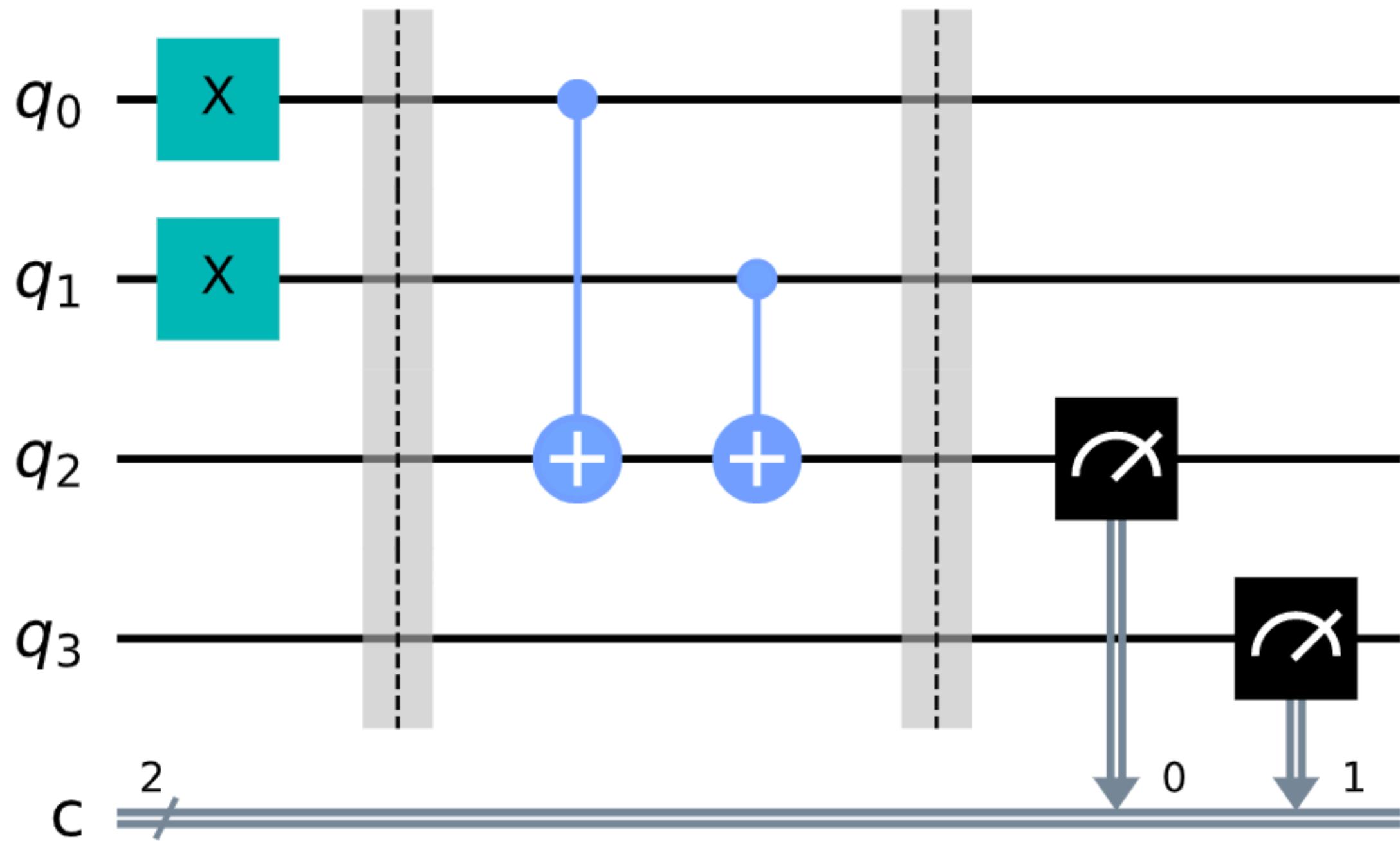


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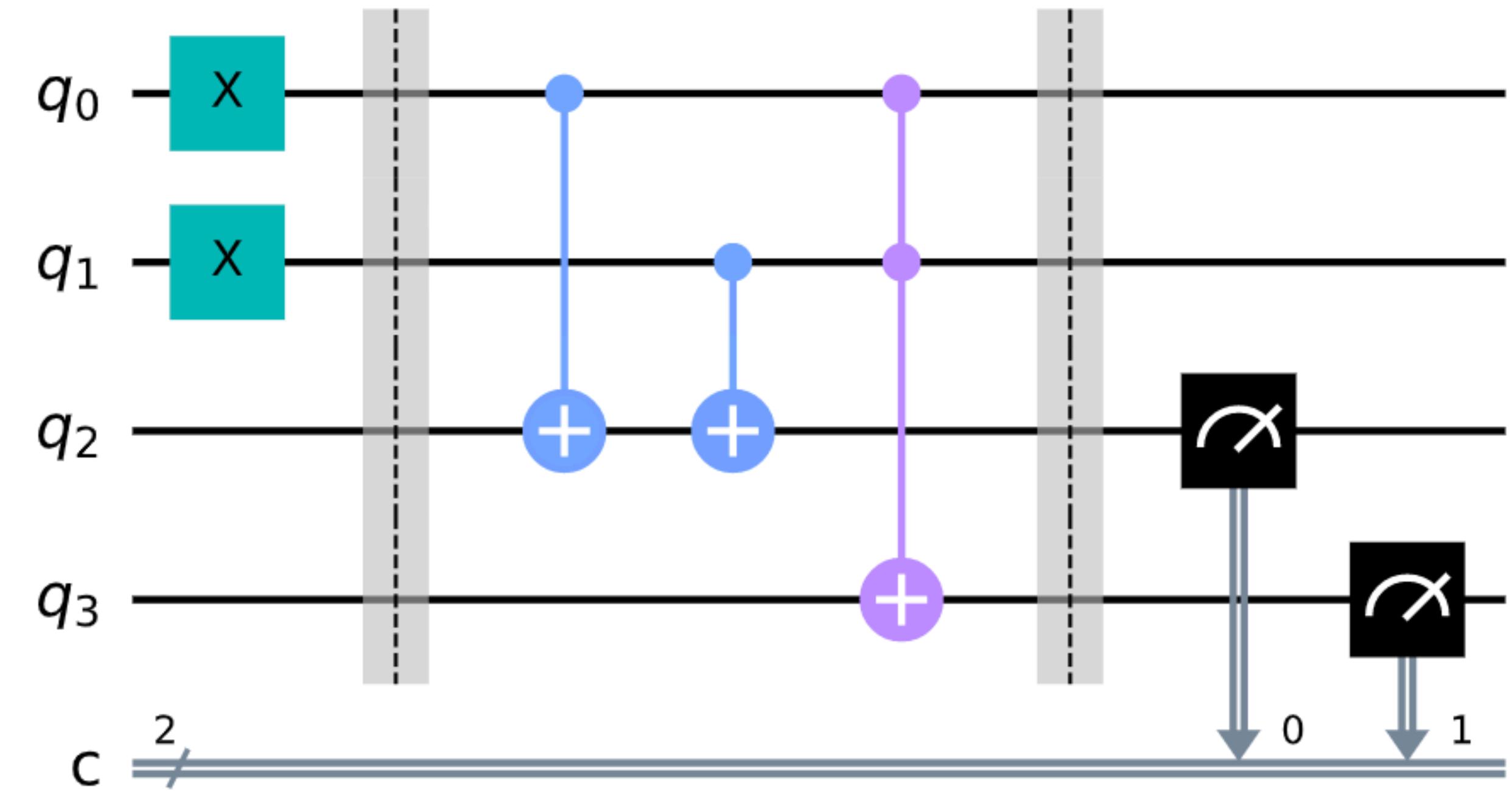
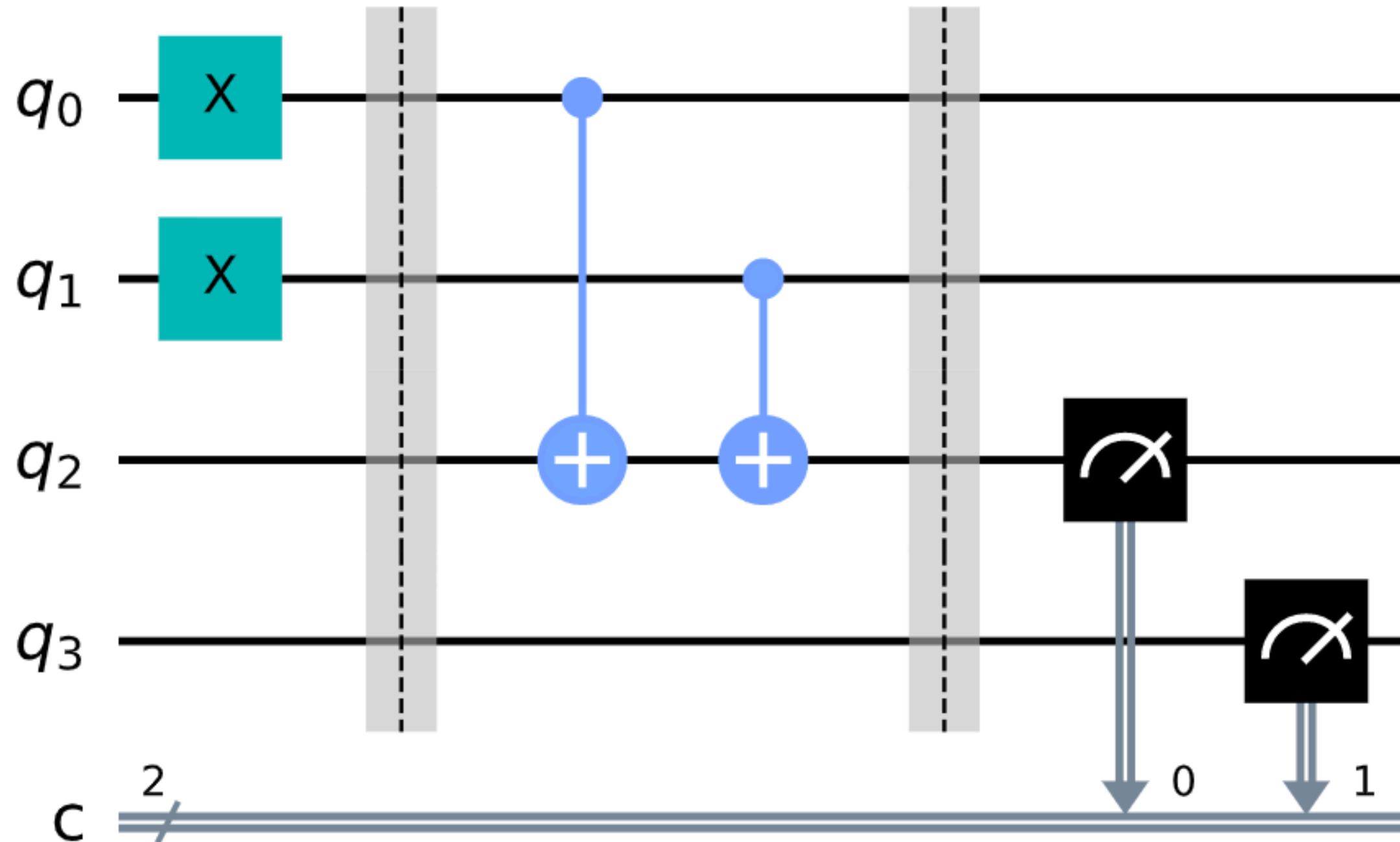
An Adder Circuit

- Half-adder achieved now



An Adder Circuit

- Half adder -> full adder



Deutsch Algorithm

- How quantum brings better **parallelism**?
- Imagine we have a black box that computes a function map a single bit to another single bit $x \rightarrow f(x)$
- The computation is complicated, takes **1 day**
- How long does it take to know $f(x)$?

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Deutsch Algorithm

- Assume we only need to know $f(x)$ is **constant or balanced**
 - constant: $f(0) = f(1)$
 - balanced: $f(0) \neq f(1)$
 - how long does it take to know the whether it is constant or balanced on classical machine?

Deutsch Algorithm

- Now suppose we have a quantum machine that computes $f(x)$.
- Since quantum compute is unitary and must be invertible, we need a quantum transformation U_f that take two qubits

$$U_f : |x\rangle|y\rangle \rightarrow |x\rangle|y \oplus f(x)\rangle$$

- Can we reduce the time to determine $f(x)$ as constant or balanced?
- Yes!

Deutsch Algorithm

- Prepare the second qubit in state of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$

$$\begin{aligned} U_f : |x\rangle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) &\rightarrow |x\rangle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|f(x)\rangle - |1 \oplus f(x)\rangle) \\ &= |x\rangle (-1)^{f(x)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle), \end{aligned}$$

- Then suppose we prepare the first qubit in $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$

$$\begin{aligned} U_f : \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) &\rightarrow \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [(-1)^{f(0)}|0\rangle + (-1)^{f(1)}|1\rangle] \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) & \end{aligned}$$

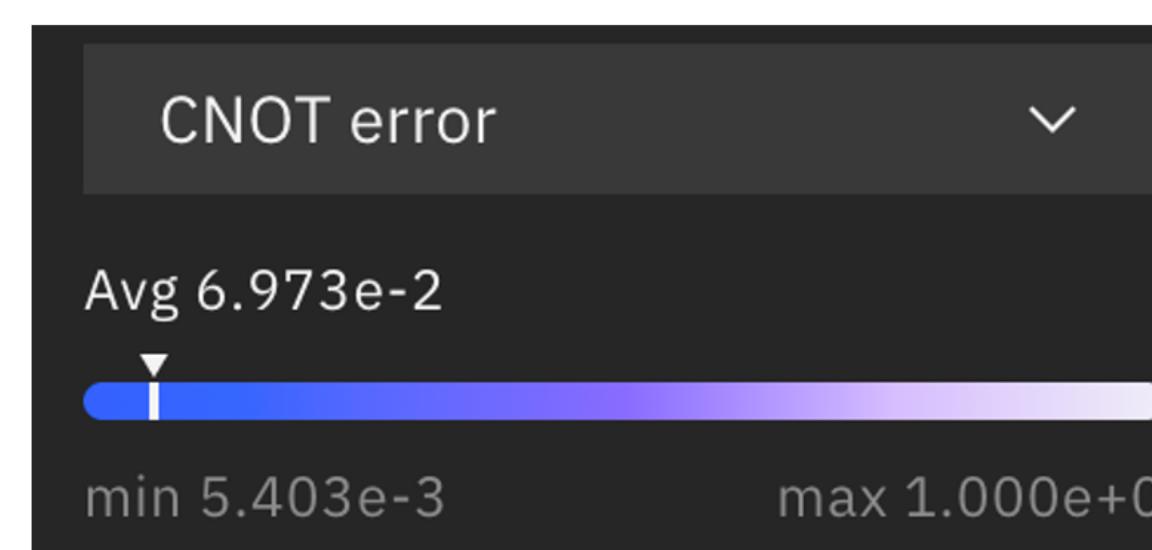
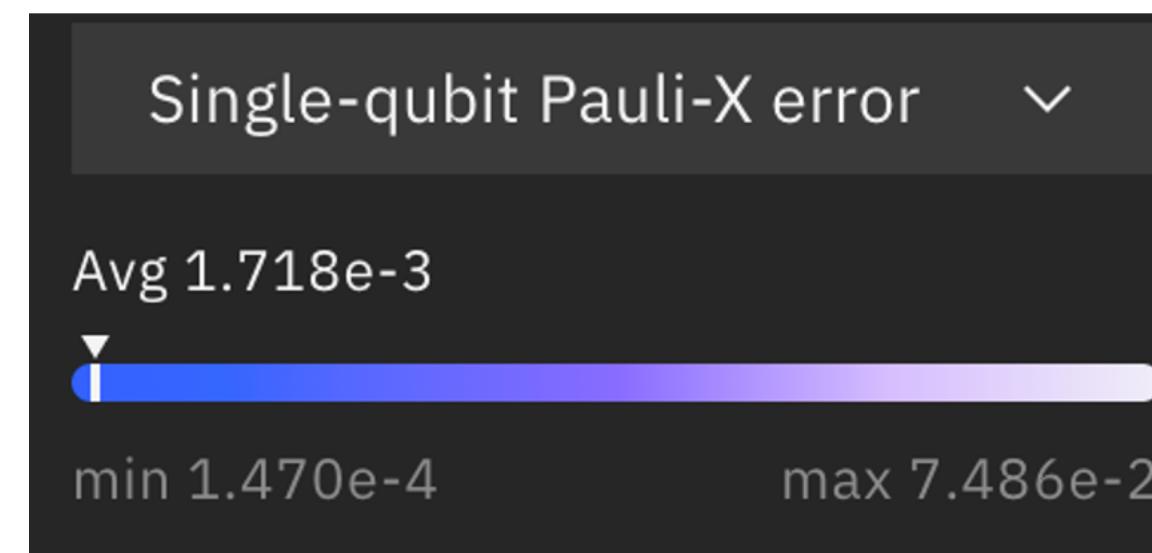
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NISQ Era

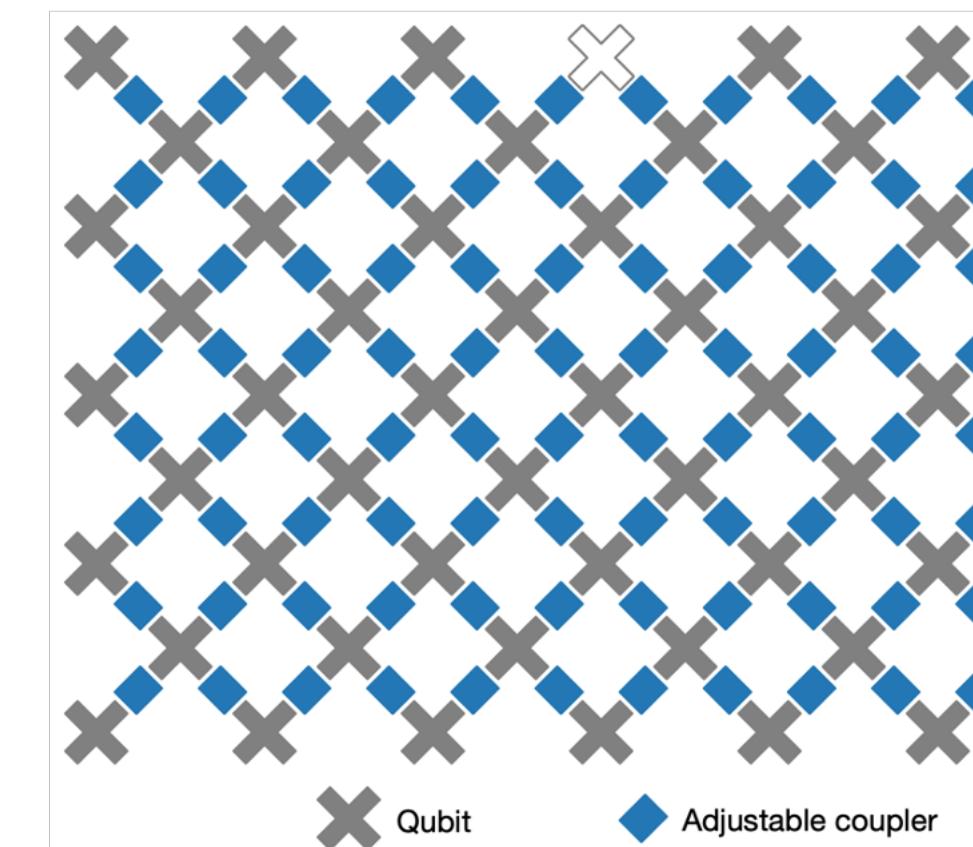
The NISQ Era

- Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum (NISQ)
 - **Noisy**: qubits are sensitive to environment; quantum gates are unreliable
 - **Limited number of qubits**: tens to hundreds of qubits
 - Limited connectivity: no all-to-all connections



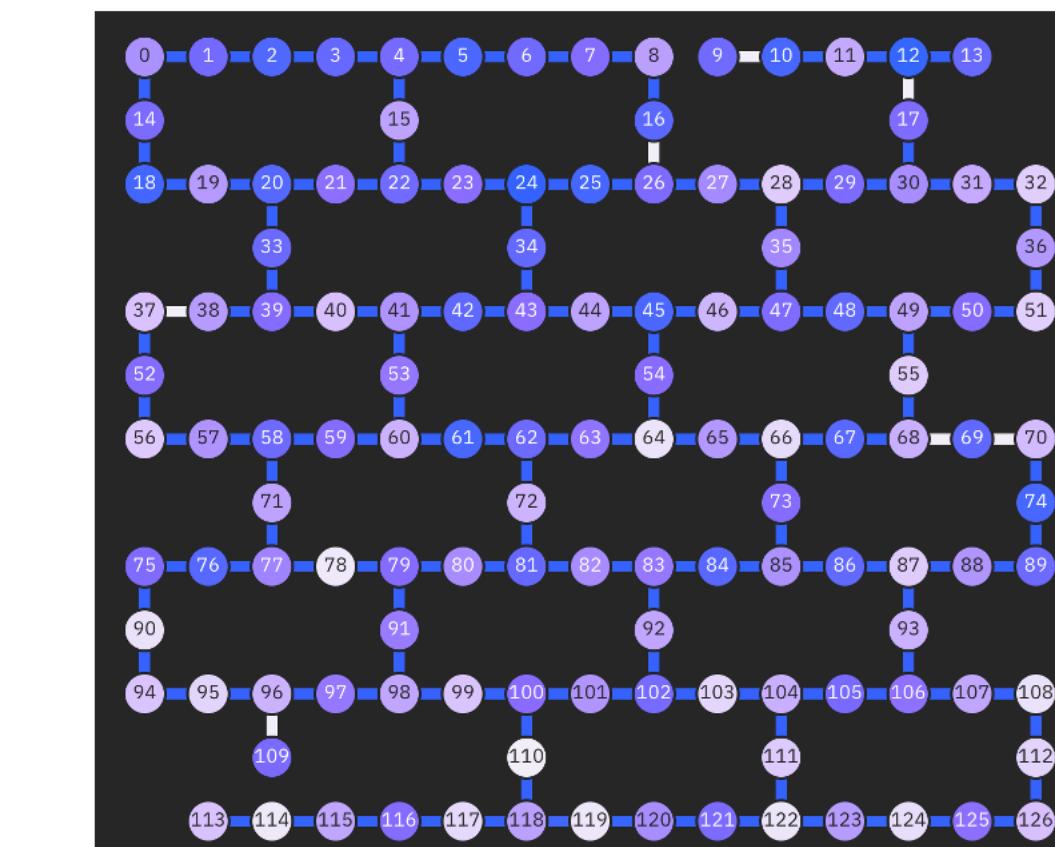
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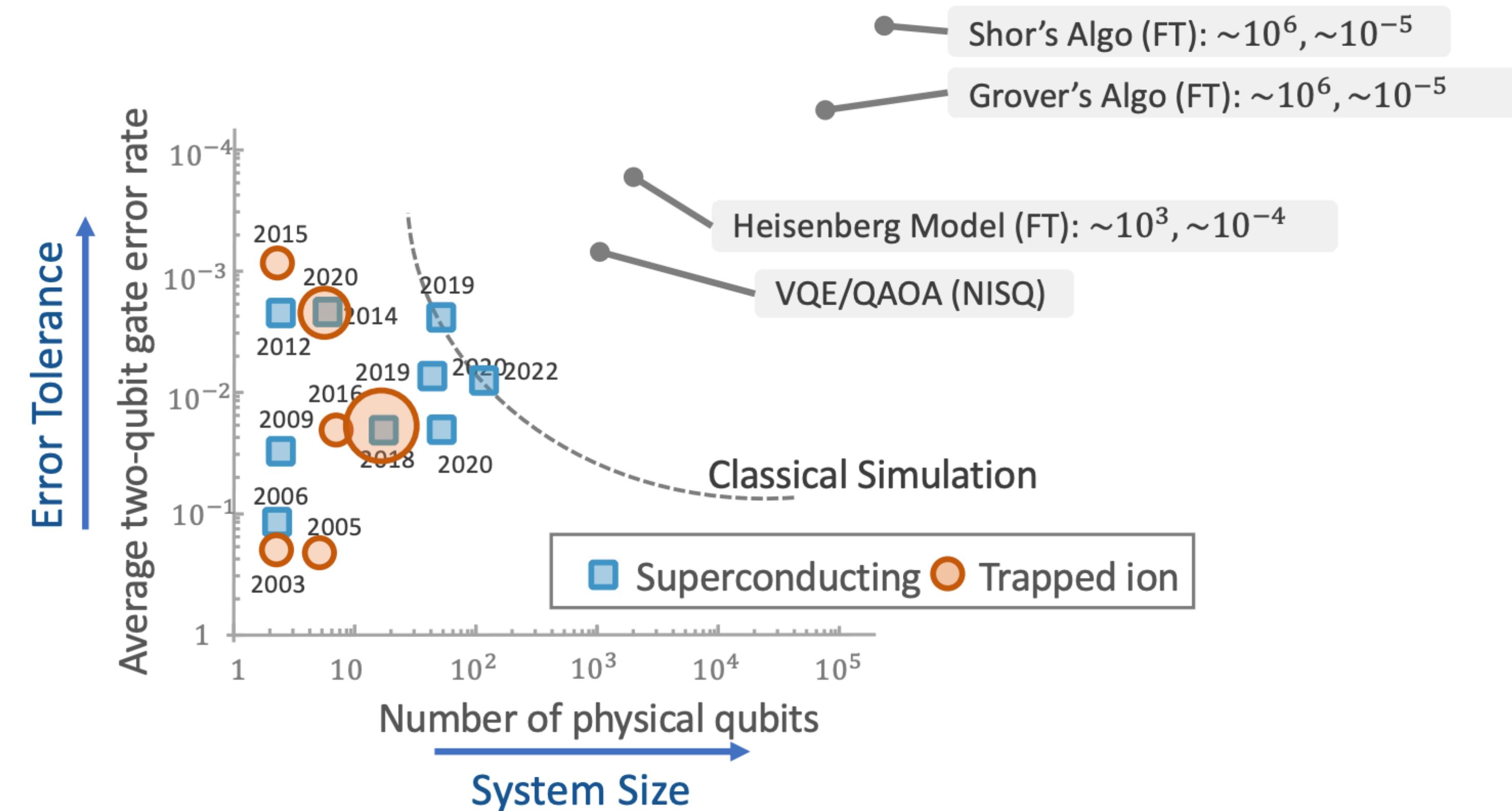


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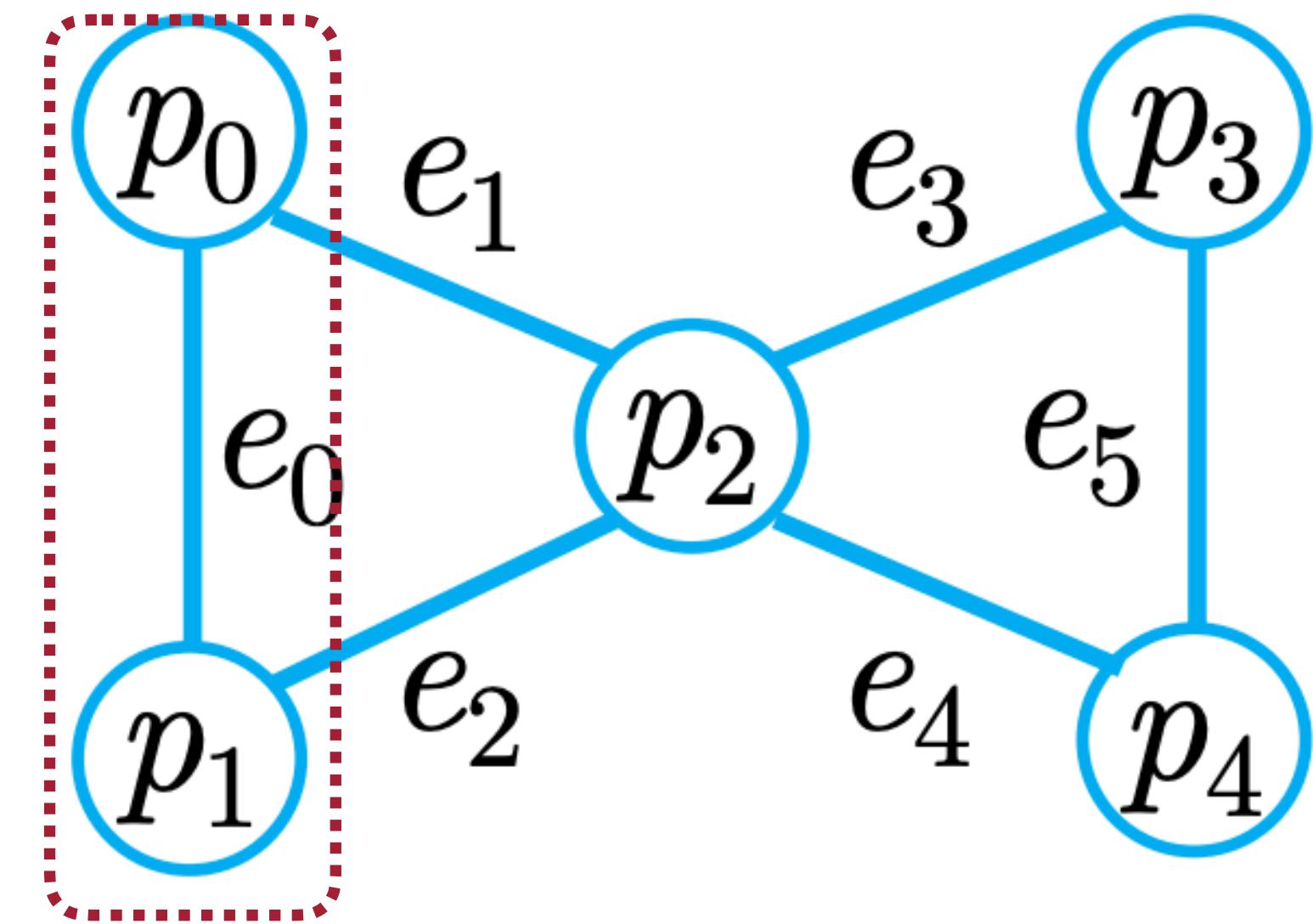
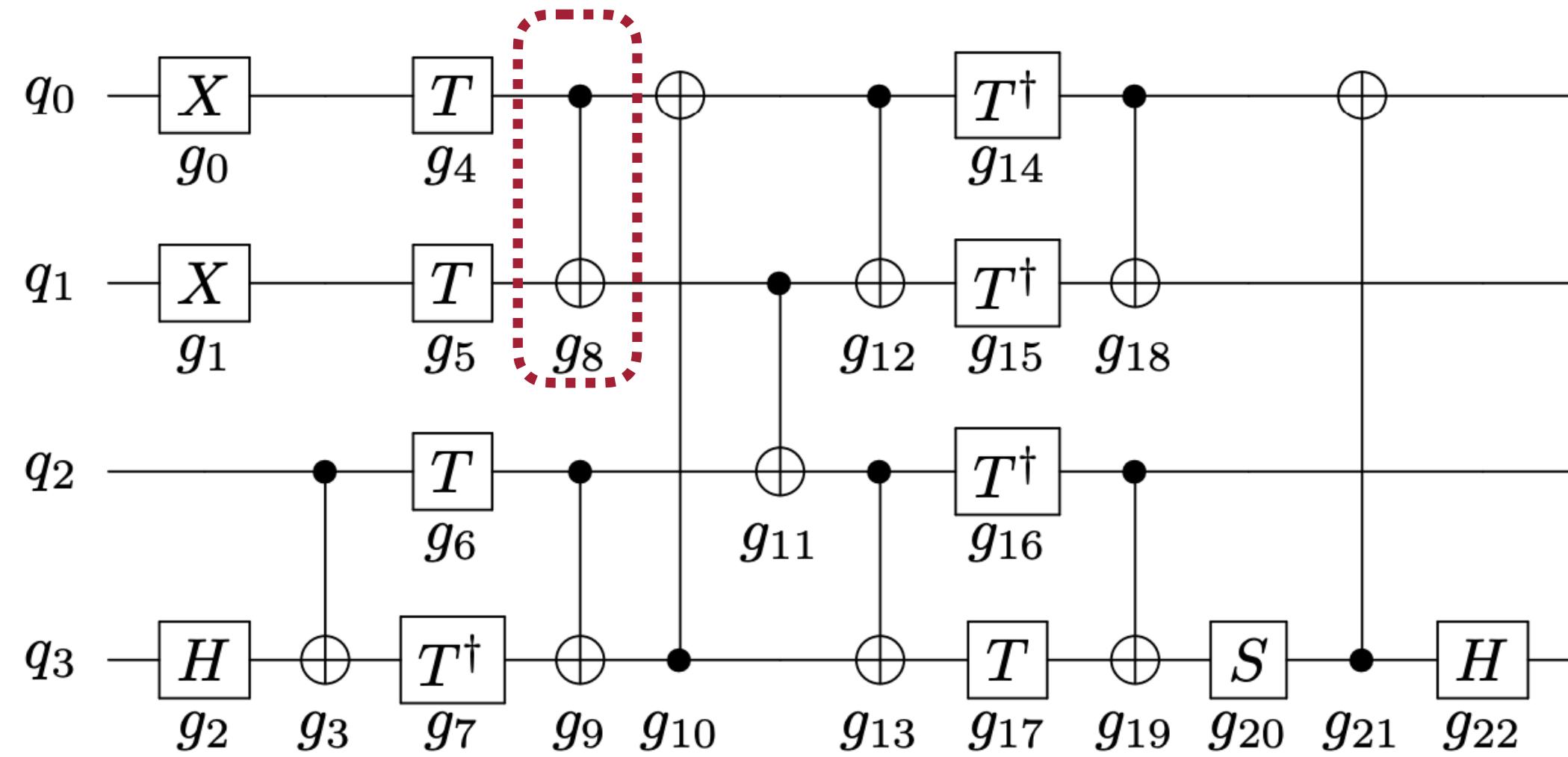
Gap between the Algorithm and Device

- Gap between algorithm and devices

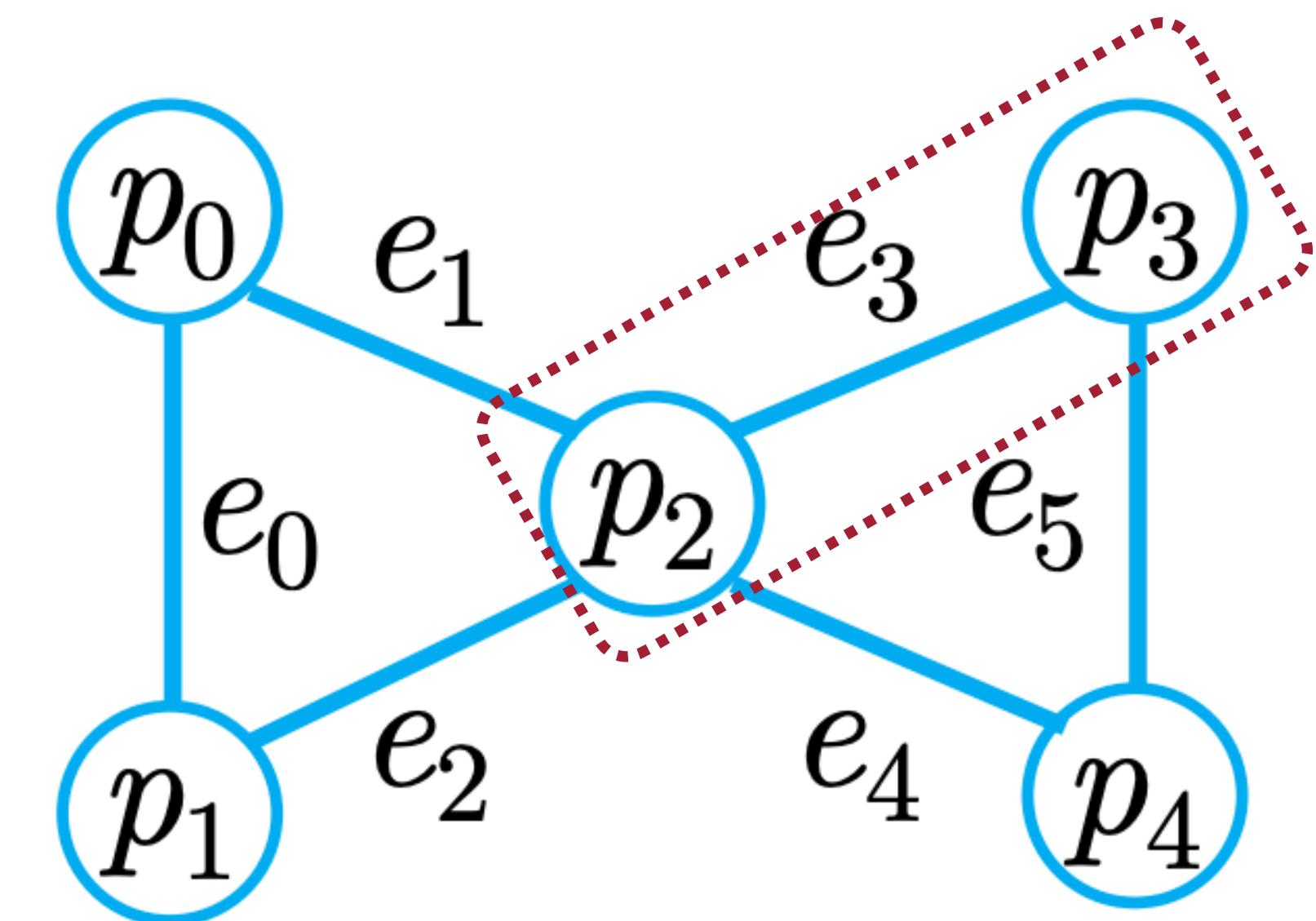
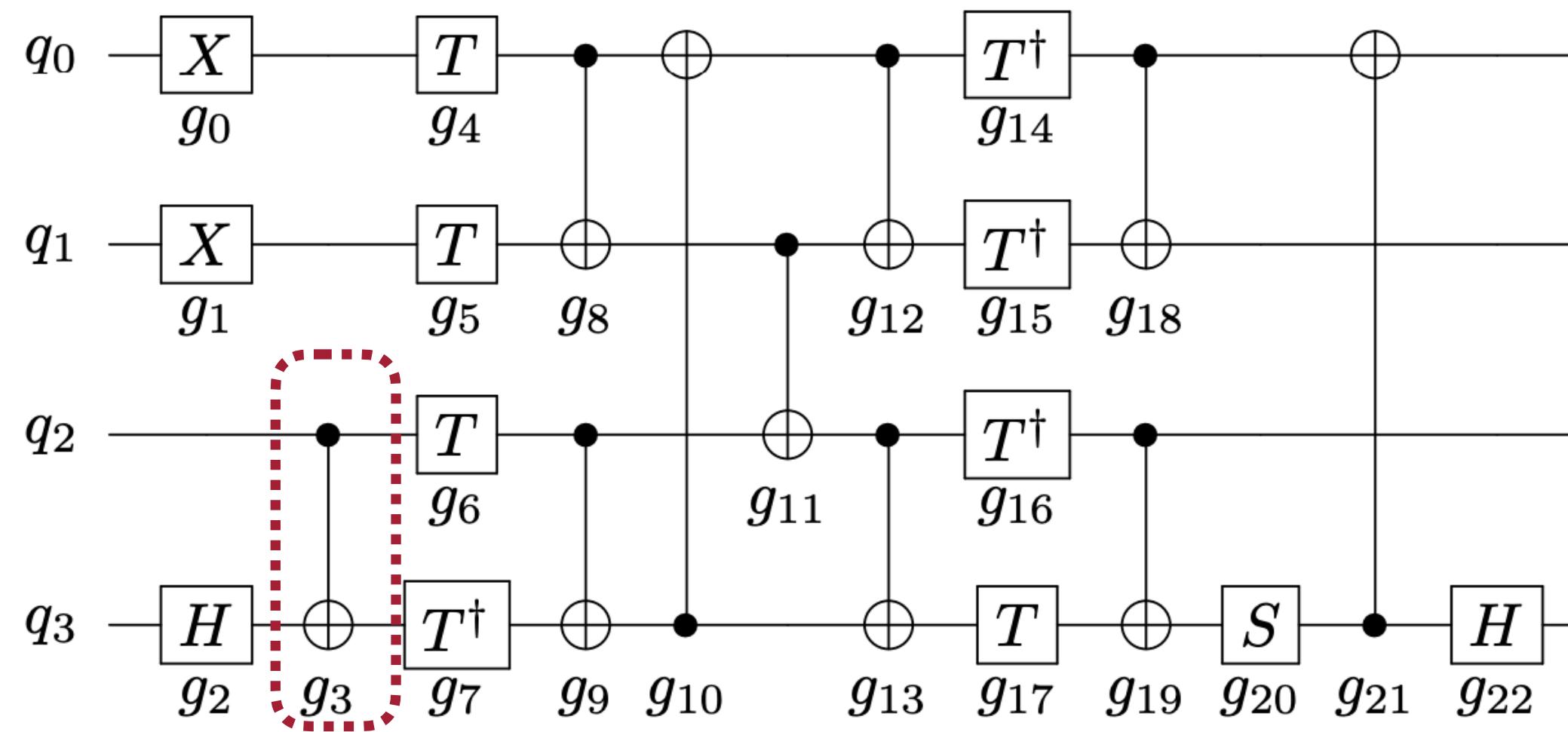


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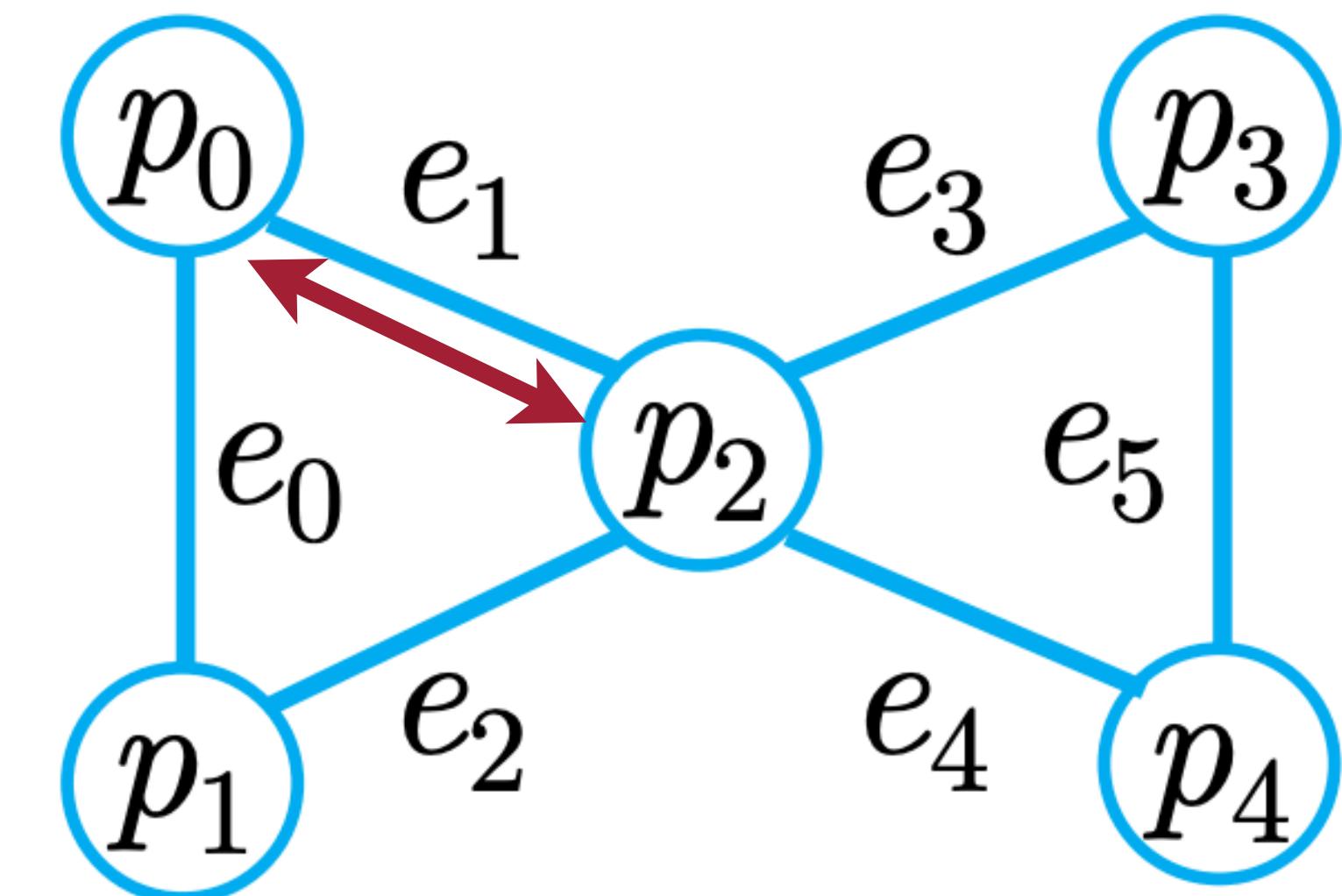
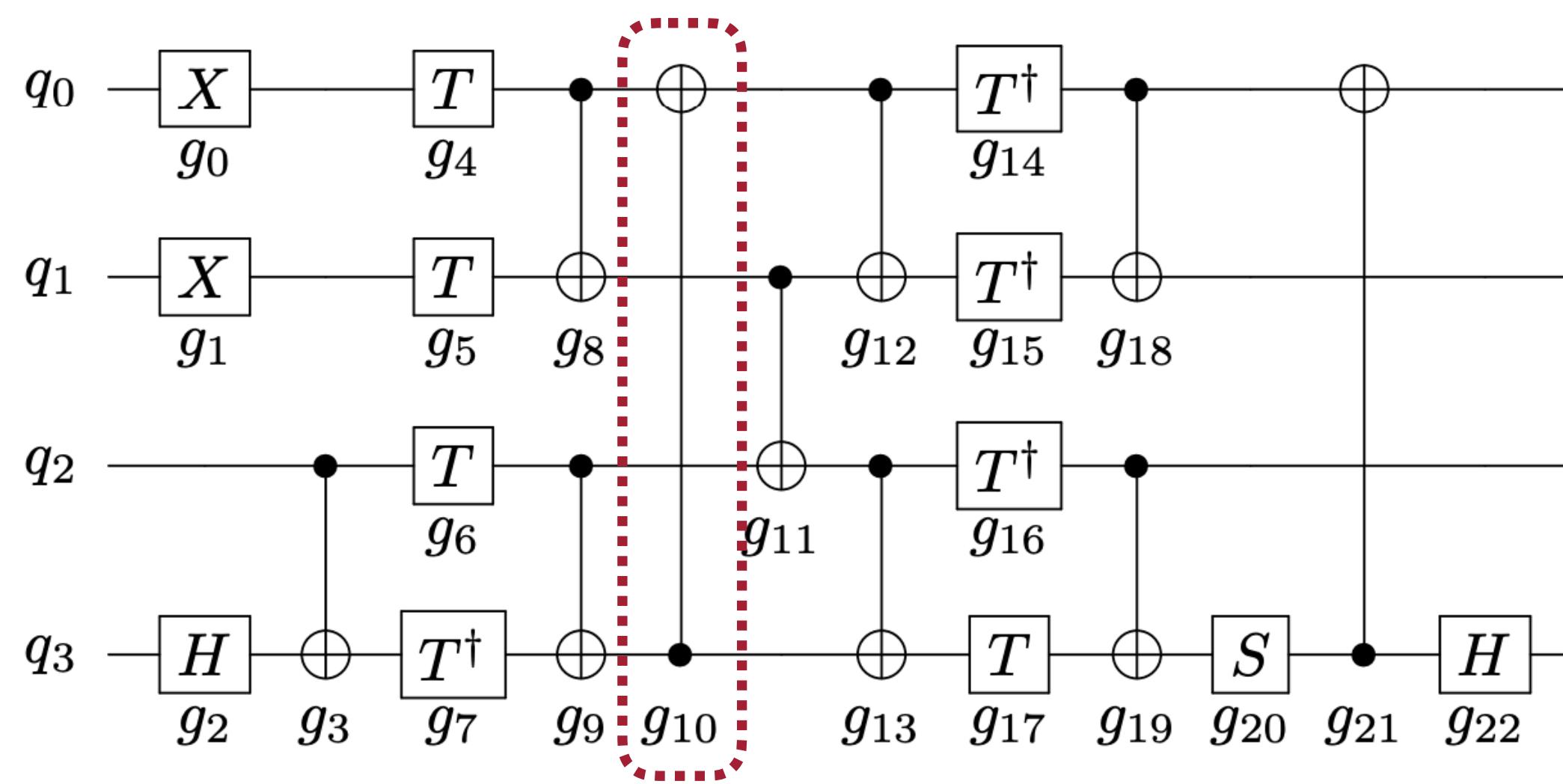
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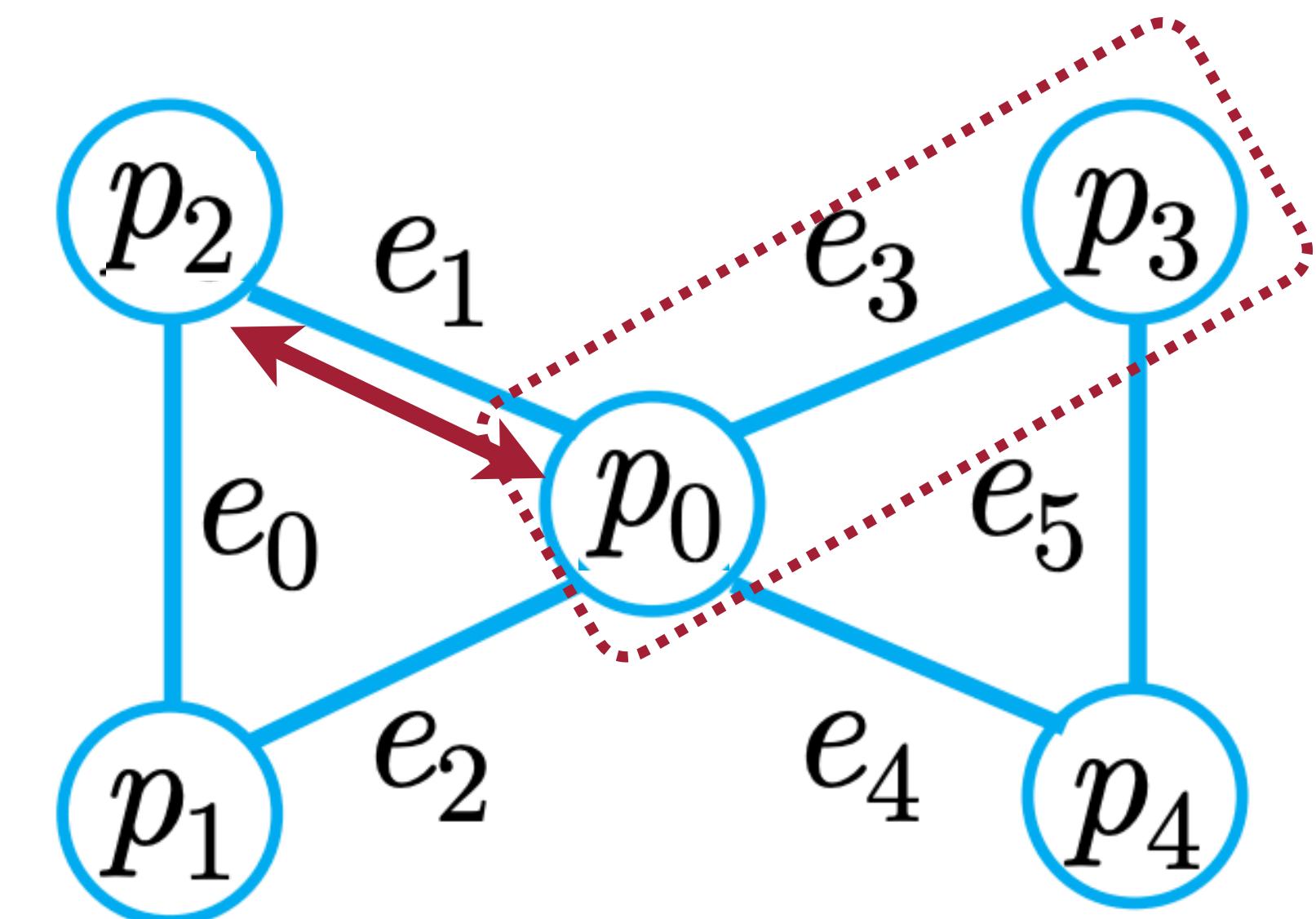
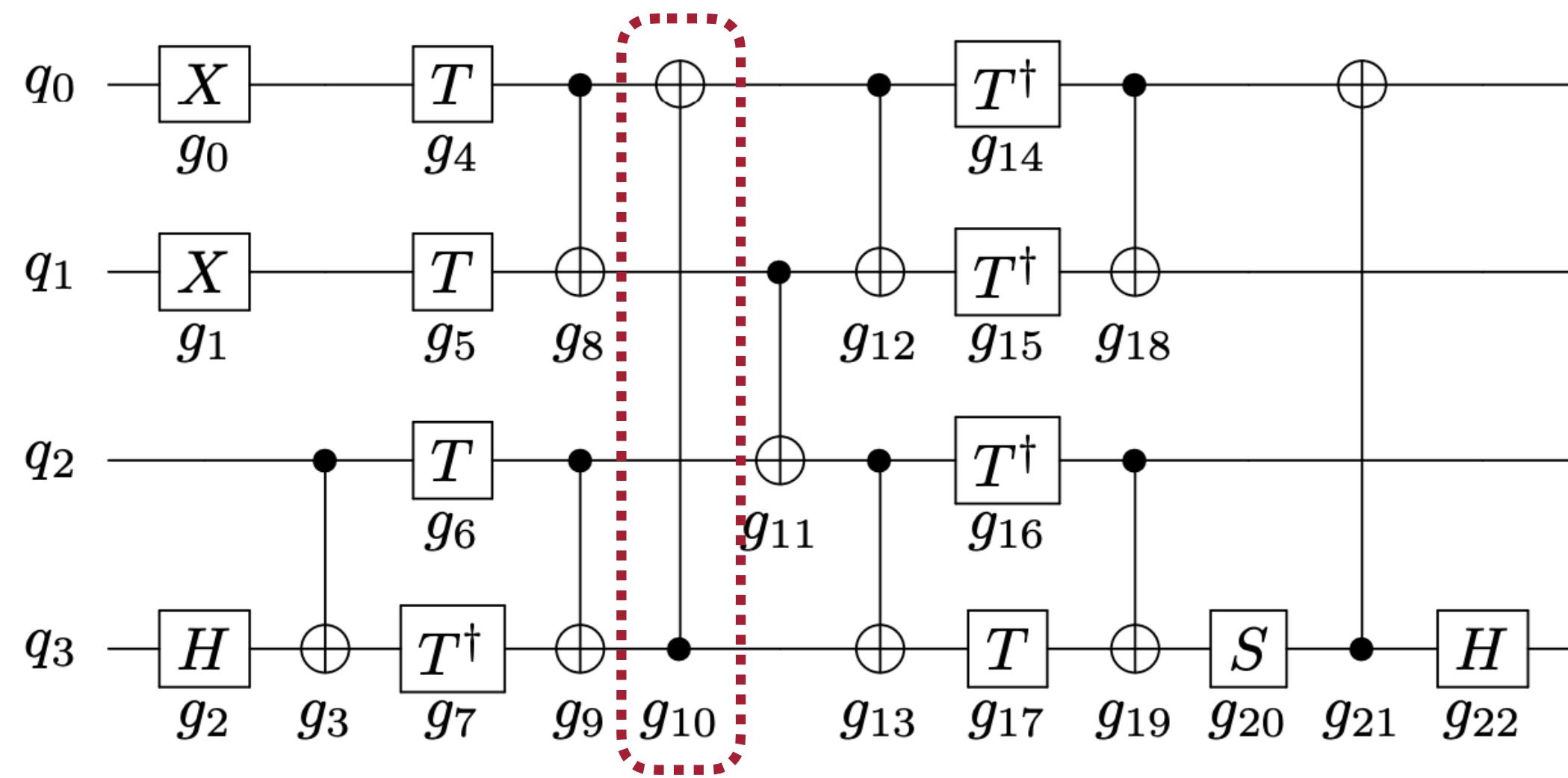


Qubit Mapping



Qubit Mapping

- How to design the best scheduling? When to do the swap?



Summary of Today's Lecture

In this lecture, we introduced:

1. Introduce **single** qubit state and gates
2. Introduce **multiple**-qubit state and gates
3. Introduce quantum **circuit**
4. Introduce the **NISQ** Era and compilation problems

In next lecture, we will introduce:

Quantum Machine Learning



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