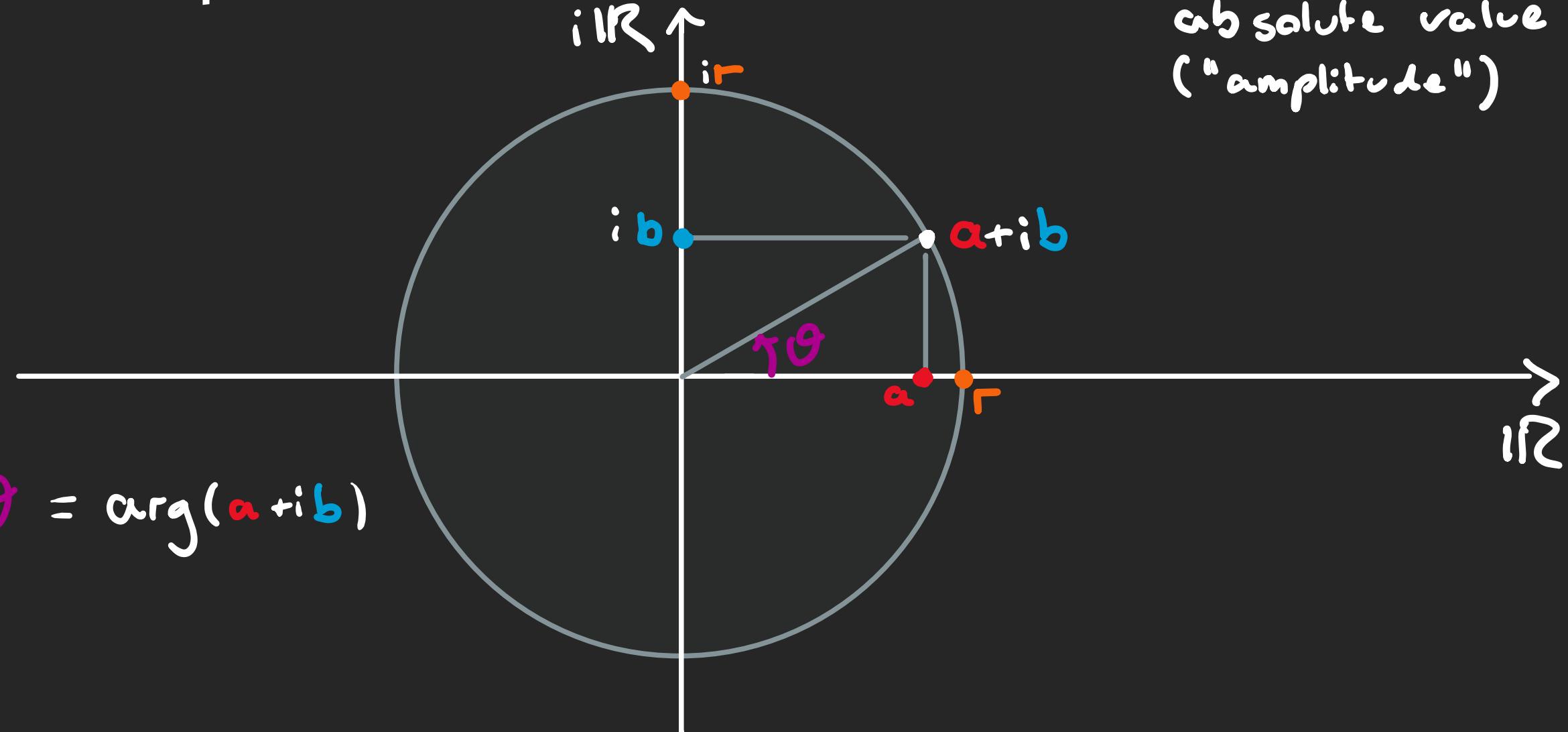


Single-qubit gates

Complex numbers \mathbb{C}



Complex numbers \mathbb{C}

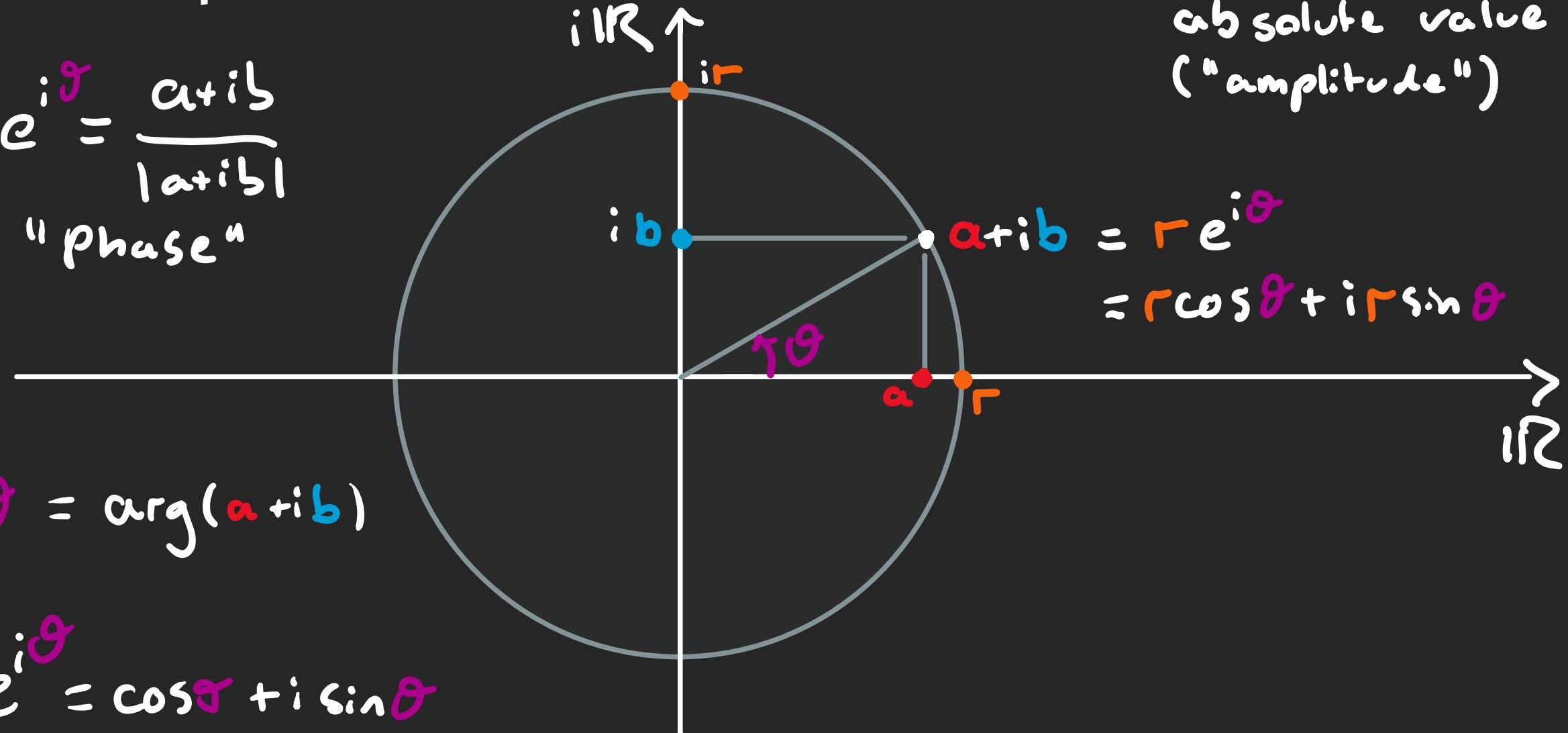
$$e^{i\theta} = \frac{a+ib}{|a+ib|}$$

"phase"

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$$e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$$

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absolute value
("amplitude")



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$i\mathbb{R}$

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$i b$

$a+ib$

\mathbb{R}

a

$a-ib$

\mathbb{R}

$-i\mathbb{R}$

$i\mathbb{R}$

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$\gamma\theta$

$\angle\theta$

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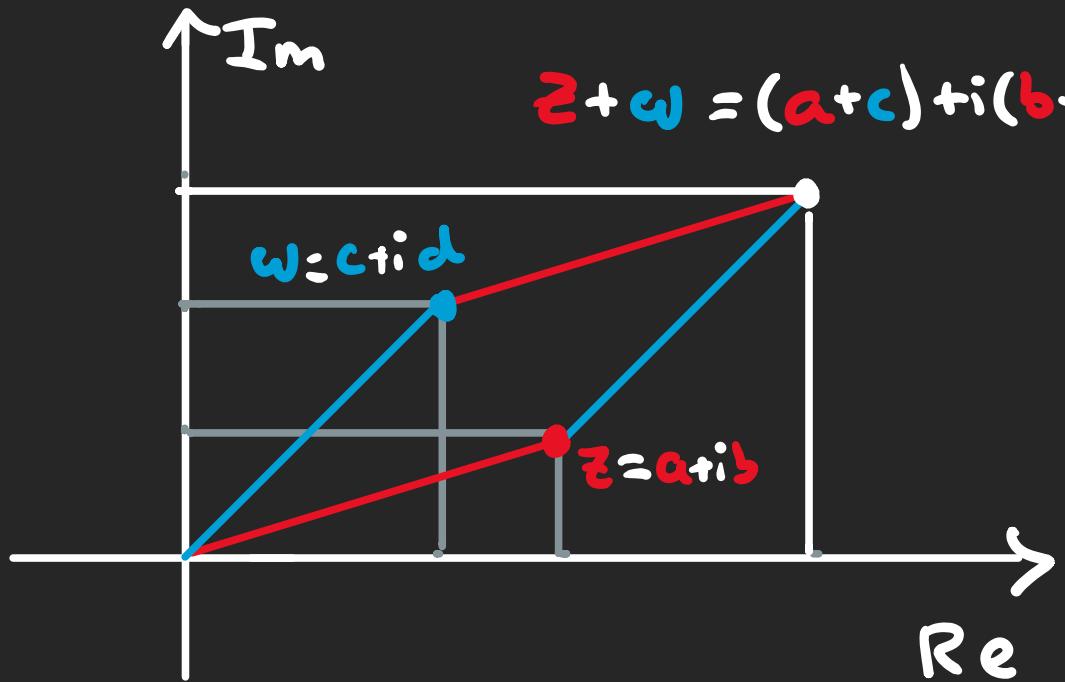
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$$a-ib =: (a+ib)^*$$

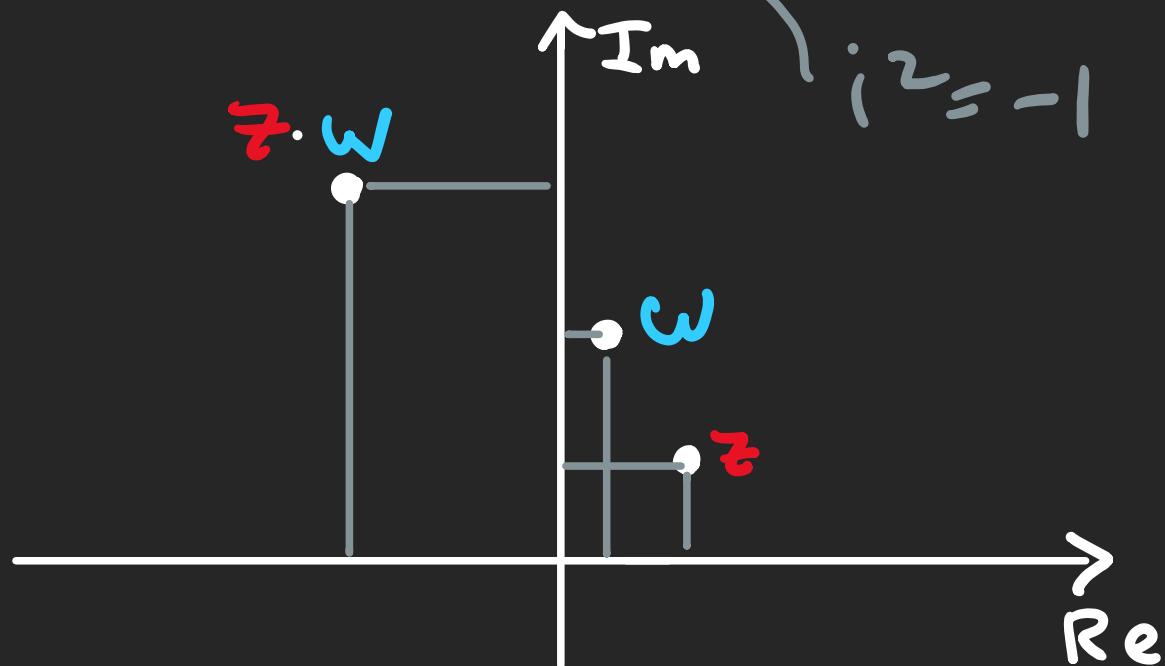
|| complex conjugate

Complex numbers



Addition

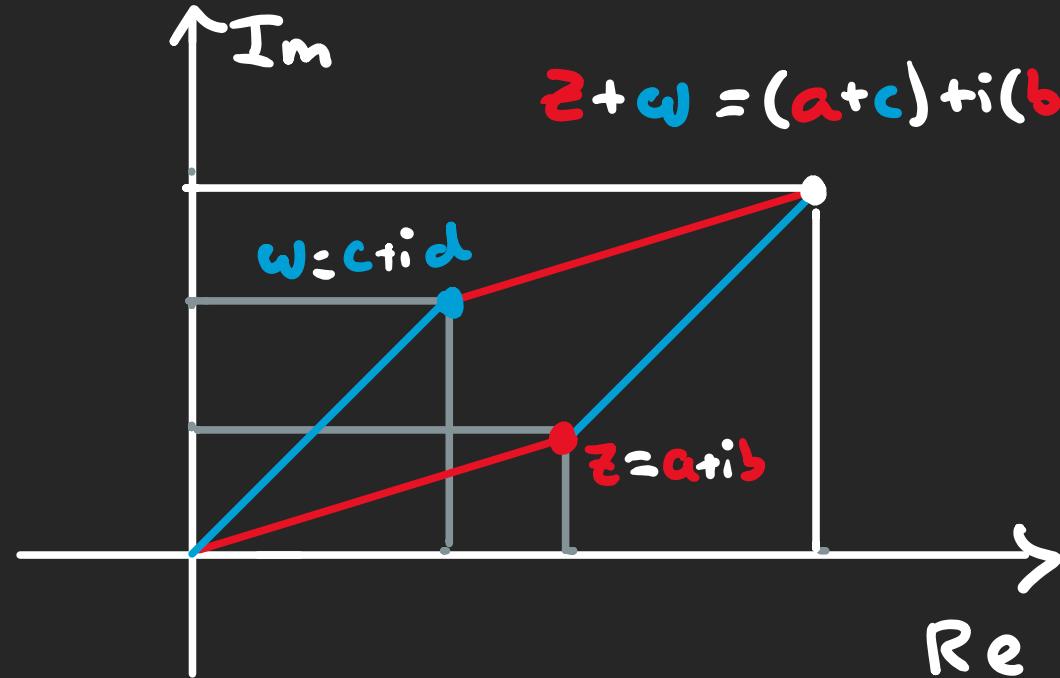
$$\begin{aligned} z \cdot w &= (a+ib)(c+id) \\ &= (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} z \cdot z^* &= (a+ib)(a-ib) = \\ &= a^2 + b^2 + i(ab - ab) = |z|^2 \end{aligned}$$

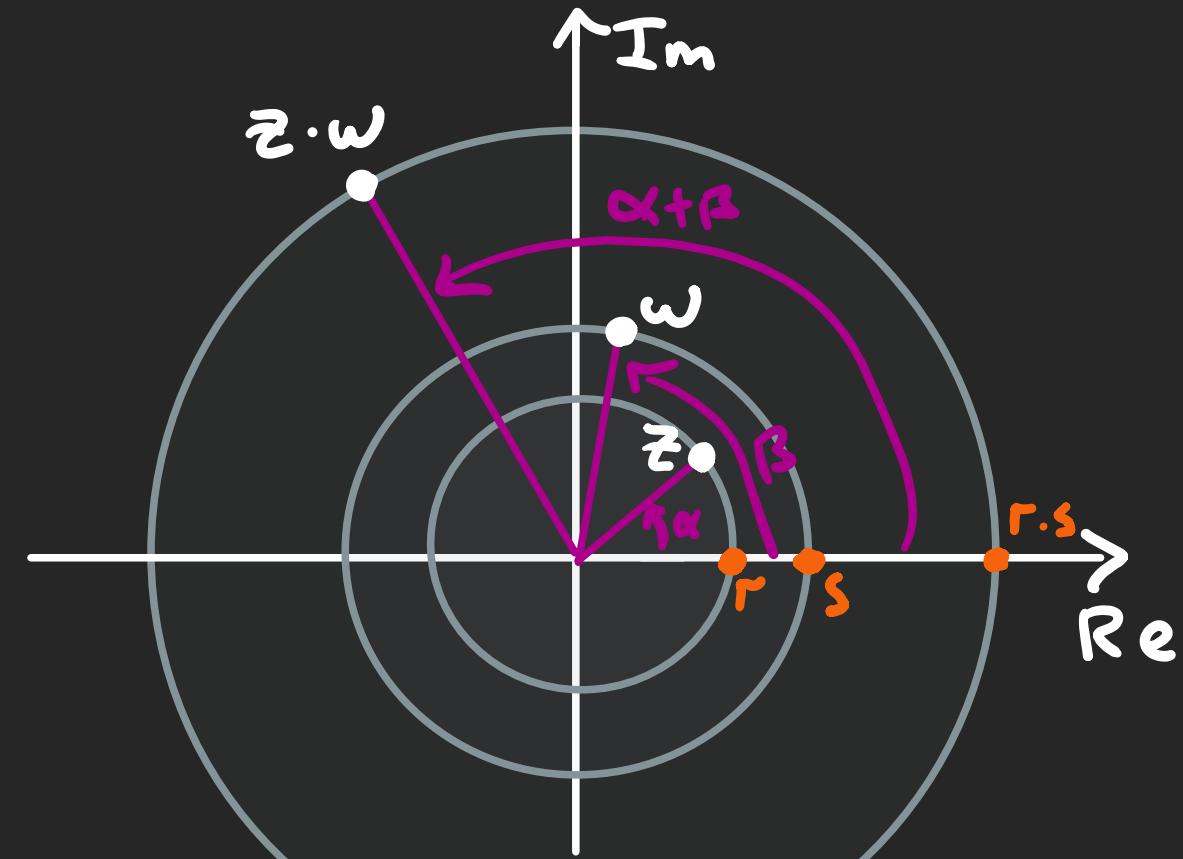
Multiplication

Complex numbers



Addition

$$z = r e^{i\alpha} \quad w = s e^{i\beta} \quad z \cdot w = r s e^{i(\alpha+\beta)}$$



Multiplication

Bracket Notation

States of
2 bits

0

1

two discrete
points

{0, 1}

States of
1 qubit

$|0\rangle$

$|1\rangle$

Bloch
sphere
 $\mathbb{P}\mathbb{C}^2$

Bracket Notation

States of 1 qubit:

2-dim complex vector

$$|\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{a "ket"}}$

(i) normalised

$$|\psi_0|^2 + |\psi_1|^2 = 1$$

(ii) up to phase

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{i\theta} |\psi\rangle$$

Bracket Notation

complex conjugate
 $\downarrow \rightarrow,$

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle\psi| = (\psi_0^* \quad \psi_1^*)$$

Ket = column vector

Bra = row vector

$$\langle\varphi|\psi\rangle = \varphi_0^* \psi_0 + \varphi_1^* \psi_1$$

Braket = inner product

$$|\psi\rangle \text{ normalised} \Leftrightarrow \langle\psi|\psi\rangle = \psi_0^*\psi_0 + \psi_1^*\psi_1 = |\psi_0|^2 + |\psi_1|^2 = 1$$

Bracket Notation

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

Computational / Z basis

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix} = \psi_0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \psi_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \psi_0 |0\rangle + \psi_1 |1\rangle$$

$$\langle 0 | \psi \rangle = (1 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix} = \psi_0 \quad \langle 1 | \psi \rangle = (0 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix} = \psi_1$$

Bracket Notation

Z basis:

$$|0\rangle$$

$$|1\rangle$$

X basis:

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

$$|-\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle$$

Y basis:

$$|R\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle$$

$$|L\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle$$

Bracket Notation

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} |\psi_0\rangle = c e^{i\alpha} \\ |\psi_1\rangle = s e^{i\beta} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \exists \theta \text{ s.t. } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\psi_0\rangle = \cos \theta e^{i\alpha} \\ |\psi_1\rangle = \sin \theta e^{i\beta} \end{array} \right.$$

$\underbrace{|c|^2}_{\text{c}^2} + \underbrace{|s|^2}_{\text{s}^2} = 1$

Setting $\varphi := \beta - \alpha$ we get:

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{i\varphi} (\cos \theta |\psi_0\rangle + \sin \theta e^{i\varphi} |\psi_1\rangle)$$

relative phase

↑ irrelevant global phase

Bracket Notation

Z basis:

$$|0\rangle = \overset{\cos\theta}{1} \cdot |0\rangle + \overset{\sin\theta}{0} \cdot e^{i\varphi} |1\rangle$$

irrelevant

$$|1\rangle = \overset{\cos\pi}{0} \cdot |0\rangle + \overset{\sin\pi}{1} \cdot e^{i\varphi} |1\rangle$$

irrelevant

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Y basis:

$$|R\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} |1\rangle$$

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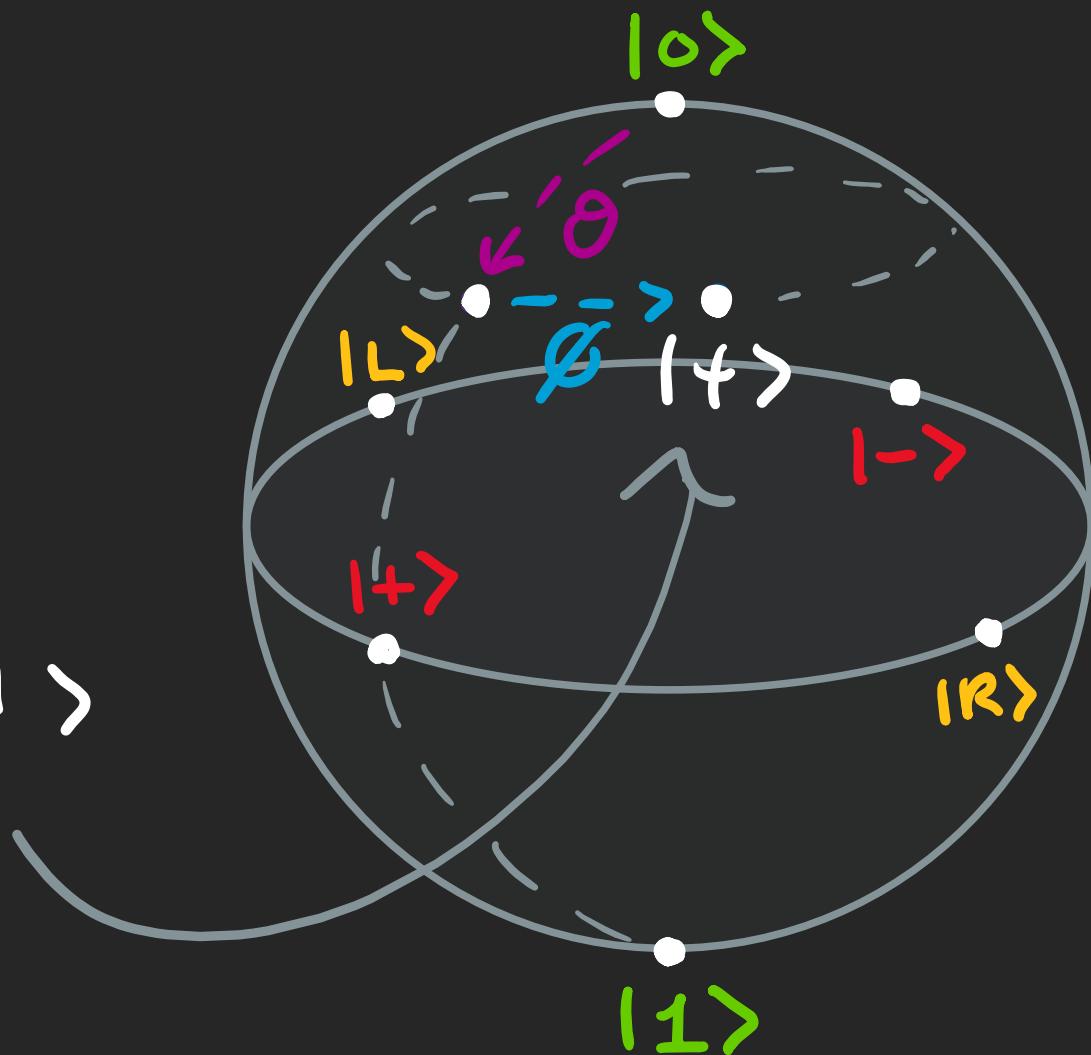
Qubits States

Spherical Coordinates

$$(\phi, \theta)$$

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

Block Sphere



Adjoints

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & \cdots & A_{1c} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{r1} & \cdots & A_{rc} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^+ := \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}^* & \cdots & A_{r1}^* \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{1c}^* & \cdots & A_{rc}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(i) (A^+)^+ = A$$

adjoint of A
= conjugate transpose

$$(ii) (AB)^+ = B^+ A^+$$

Adjoints

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_r \end{pmatrix}^+ = (v_1^* \cdots v_r^*)$$

$$(u_1 \cdots u_c)^+ = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^* \\ \vdots \\ u_c^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\psi\rangle^+ = \langle\psi|$$

$$\langle\varphi|^{+} = |\varphi\rangle$$

Qubit Matrices

Inner product:

$$\langle \psi | \varphi \rangle = (\varphi_0^* \varphi_1^*) \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_0 \\ \varphi_1 \end{pmatrix} = \varphi_0^* \varphi_0 + \varphi_1^* \varphi_1$$

Outer product:

$$|\psi\rangle\langle\varphi| = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_0 \\ \varphi_1 \end{pmatrix} (\varphi_0^* \varphi_1^*) = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_0 \varphi_0^* & \varphi_0 \varphi_1^* \\ \varphi_1 \varphi_0^* & \varphi_1 \varphi_1^* \end{pmatrix}$$

Qubit Matrices

$|\psi\rangle, |\varphi\rangle$ orthogonal
 $\Leftrightarrow \overline{\langle\varphi|\psi\rangle} = 0$

Inner products:

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

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

Outer products:

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

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

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

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

Qubit Matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & A_{01} \\ A_{10} & A_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

any matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$

$$= A_{00} \underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 0|}_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} + A_{01} \underbrace{|0\rangle\langle 1|}_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} + A_{10} \underbrace{|1\rangle\langle 0|}_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} + A_{11} \underbrace{|1\rangle\langle 1|}_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Qubit Matrices

$$A |\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & A_{01} \\ A_{10} & A_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00}\psi_0 + A_{01}\psi_1 \\ A_{10}\psi_0 + A_{11}\psi_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A|4\rangle = |0\rangle \left(A_{00}\langle 0| + A_{01}\langle 1| \right) |4\rangle \\ + |1\rangle \left(A_{10}\langle 0| + A_{11}\langle 1| \right) |4\rangle$$

$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad}_{\text{vectors}}$
 $\underbrace{\qquad\qquad}_{\text{Complex numbers}}$

Qubit Matrices

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$$\begin{aligned} A |\psi\rangle &= |0\rangle (A_{00}\langle 0|\psi\rangle + A_{01}\langle 1|\psi\rangle) \quad \text{(top loop)} \\ &\quad + |1\rangle (A_{10}\langle 0|\psi\rangle + A_{11}\langle 1|\psi\rangle) \quad \text{(bottom loop)} \end{aligned}$$

Qubit Matrices

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Qubit Matrices

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Unitary Matrices

Also up to phase!
 $U = e^{i\theta} U'$

Transformations of 1 qubit:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} U_{00} & U_{01} \\ U_{10} & U_{11} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$$

which are unitary: $U^\dagger U = I = U U^\dagger$
i.e. $U^\dagger = U^{-1}$

Unitary Matrices

In particular:

$| \psi \rangle$ normalised $\Rightarrow U| \psi \rangle$ normalised

Unitary \Rightarrow preserve inner products

$$| \psi' \rangle := U| \psi \rangle$$

$$| \varphi' \rangle := U| \varphi \rangle$$

$$\langle \varphi' | \psi' \rangle = (\langle \varphi' |)^\dagger | \psi' \rangle = (U| \varphi \rangle)^\dagger U| \psi \rangle = \langle \varphi | U^\dagger U | \psi \rangle$$

$$= \langle \varphi | I | \psi \rangle = \langle \varphi | \psi \rangle$$

Graphical Notation

no-wire = numbers
wire = vectors

column
vector

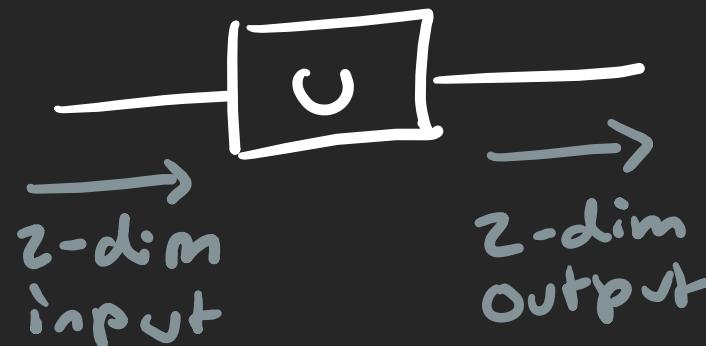
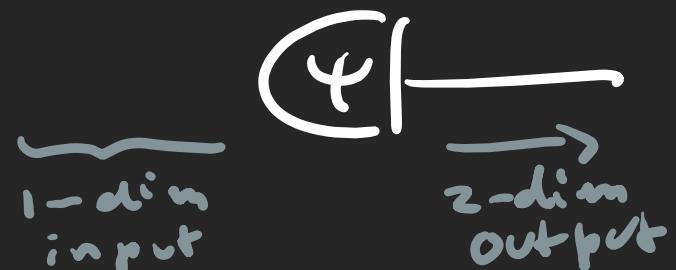
$$\begin{pmatrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_{00} & v_{01} \\ v_{10} & v_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

row
vector

$$(v_0^* \ v_1^*)$$

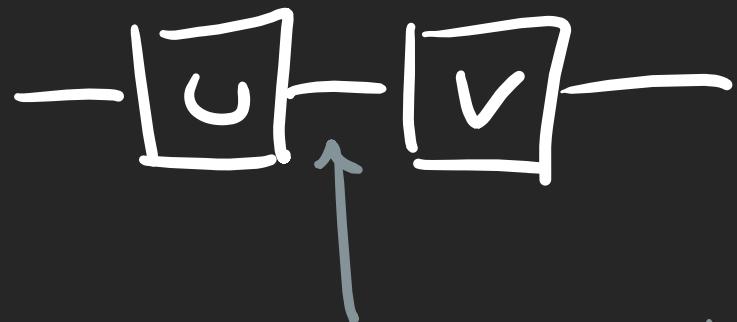


Graphical Notation

right-to-left by convention \downarrow left-to-right by convention
Matrix multiplication \equiv Sequential composition

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} & \\ V_{00} & V_{01} \\ \xrightarrow{\quad} & \\ V_{10} & V_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \downarrow & \\ U_{00} & U_{01} \\ \downarrow & \\ U_{10} & U_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \textcolor{red}{\square} \cdot \textcolor{orange}{\square} & \textcolor{red}{\square} \cdot \textcolor{blue}{\square} \\ \textcolor{blue}{\square} \cdot \textcolor{orange}{\square} & \textcolor{blue}{\square} \cdot \textcolor{blue}{\square} \end{pmatrix}$$



intermediate vector
space is "contracted",
i.e. summed over

Graphical Notation

right-to-left by convention left-to-right by convention
↓ ↓
Matrix multiplication = Sequential composition

$$V \cdot U$$



$$U|\psi\rangle$$



$$\langle\varphi|U$$



Graphical Notation

Numbers are a little weird:

~~Complex number $\in \mathbb{C}$~~

We could do this,
but it is confusing
later on!

$$(\varphi_0^* \varphi_i^*) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_0 \\ \varphi_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_0^* \varphi_0 + \varphi_i^* \varphi_i \end{pmatrix} = \varphi_0^* \varphi_0 + \varphi_i^* \varphi_i$$

number

1×2
matrix 2×1
matrix 1×1
matrix

Graphical Notation

Numbers are a little weird:



$$|\langle \psi | \psi \rangle|^2$$



non-negative
real number

$$\mathbb{R}^+$$

$$\psi \mapsto |\psi\rangle$$

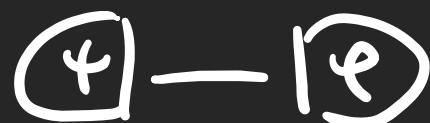
$\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{1-dim}}$
 output

Instead, we work with
real numbers from the start
(probabilities!)

Graphical Notation

\mathbb{R}^+ numbers \longleftrightarrow Diagrams with no open legs

$$|\langle \psi | \psi \rangle|^2$$



$$|\langle \psi | \psi | \psi \rangle|^2$$



$$|\psi_0|^2 = |\langle 0 | \psi \rangle|^2$$



Graphical Notation

We can write numbers in diagrams:

$r \in \mathbb{R}^+$

$\sqrt{r} | \psi \rangle$

r  —

$\sqrt{r} \cup$

r  —

(We write numbers in red, to see them better.)

Graphical Notation

Multiple numbers in the same diagram are free to move around, and are multiplied together:

$$\Gamma \circledcirc \varphi \rightarrow \Delta S = \Gamma S \circledcirc \varphi \rightarrow \Delta$$

$$|\sqrt{s} \langle \varphi | \psi \rangle \sqrt{\Gamma}|^2 = \Gamma S |\langle \varphi | \psi \rangle|^2$$

(aka. gates)

Qubit Rotations

$$|0\rangle\langle 0| + e^{i\alpha}|1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$R_z(\alpha) := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow -\textcirclearrowleft_{\alpha}-$$

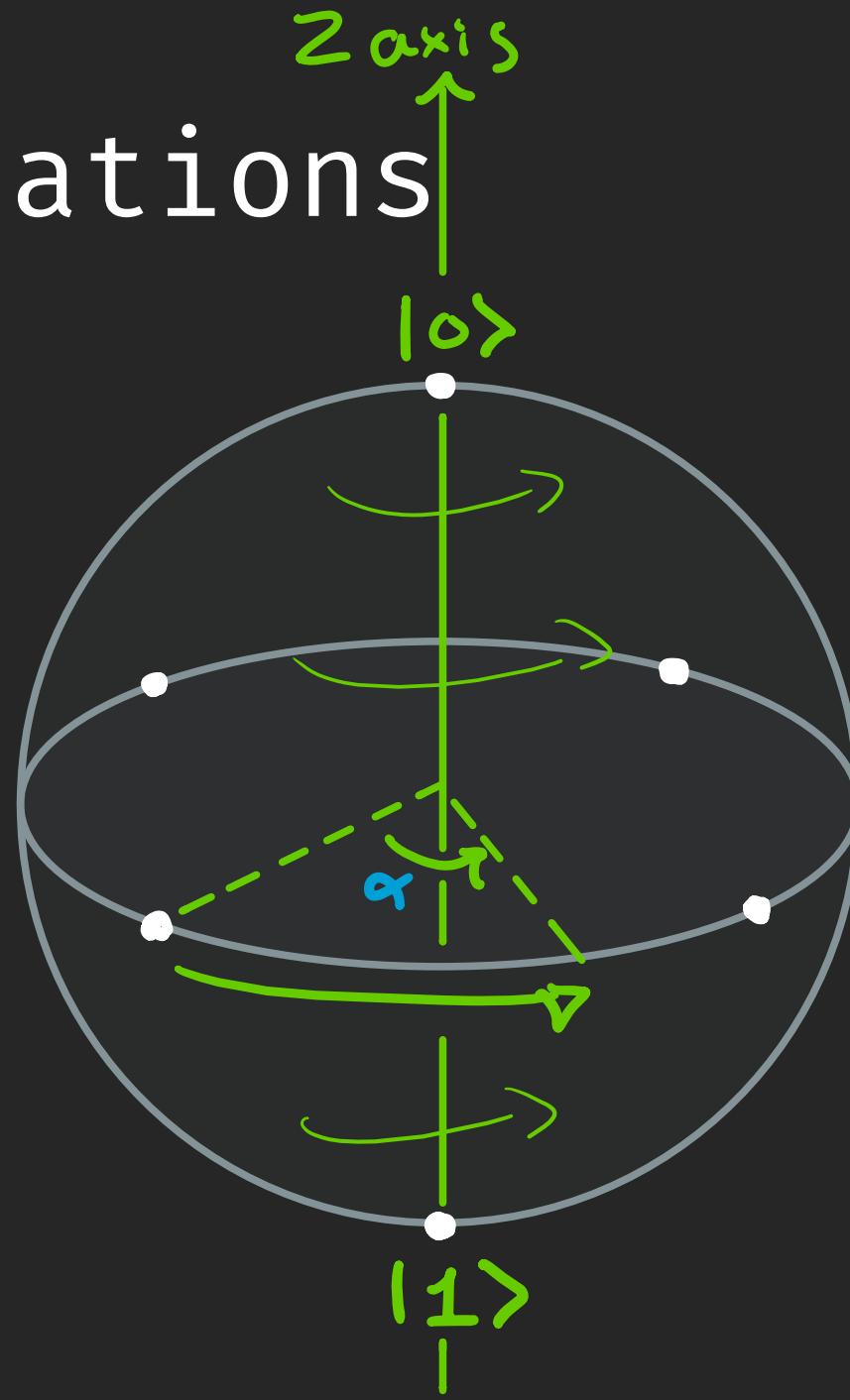
Angles and other parameters are blue in diagrams,
to help distinguish them from probabilities.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow -\textcirclearrowleft_{\theta}- = -\textcirclearrowleft- = \underline{\underline{\quad}}$$

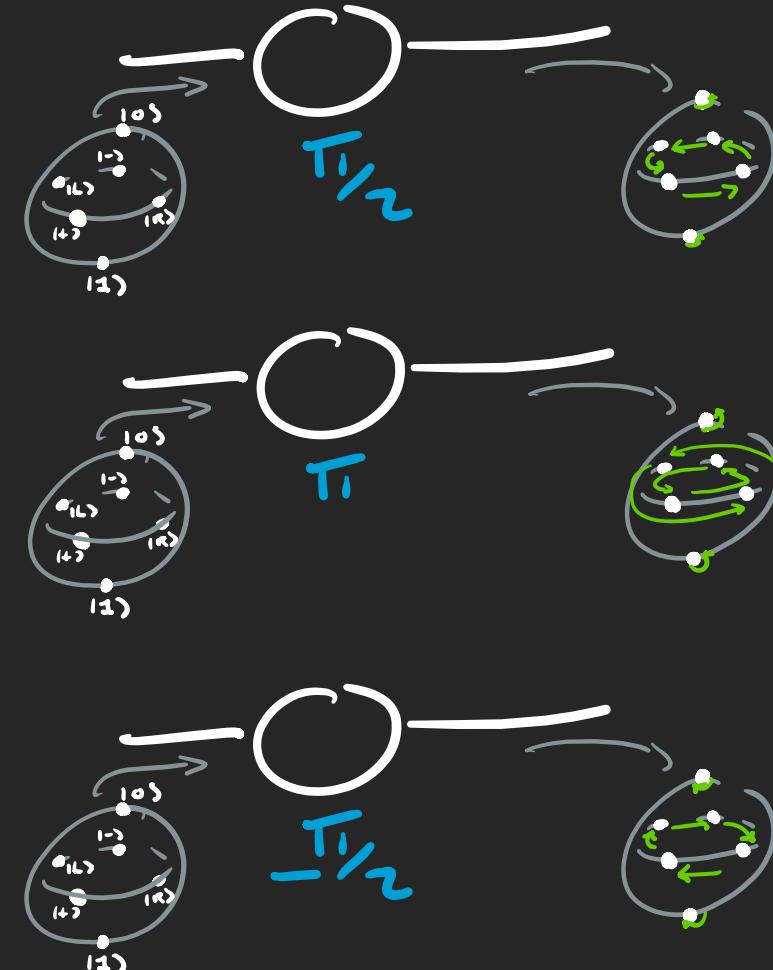
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identity matrix
angle θ omitted

Qubit Rotations

Z rotation
by angle α

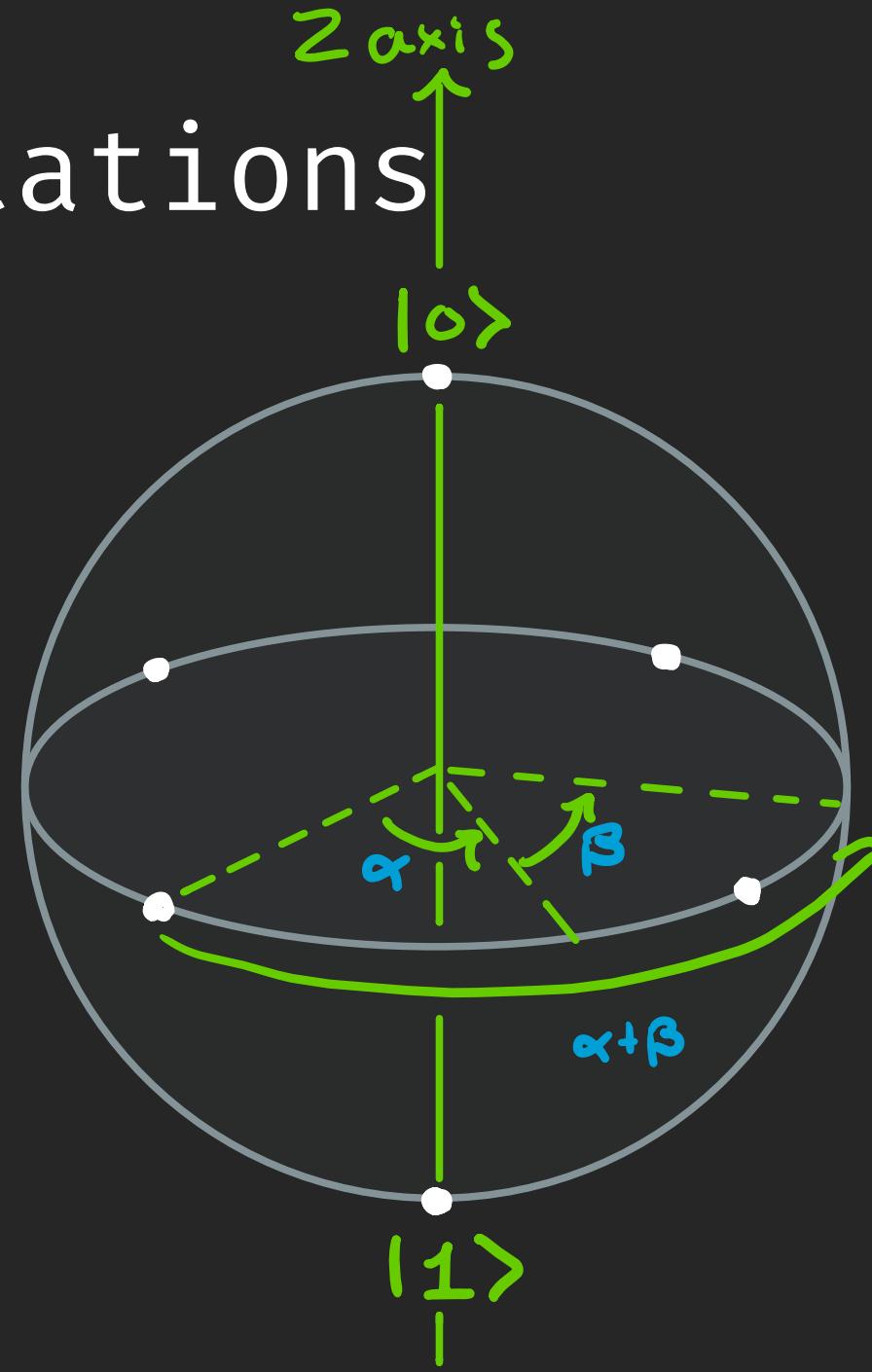
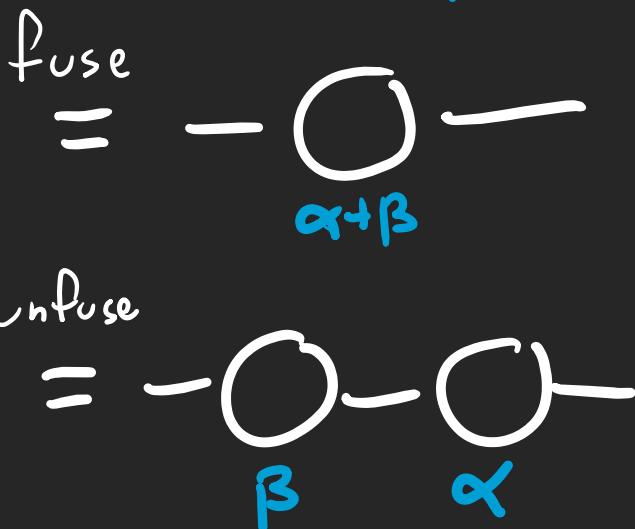
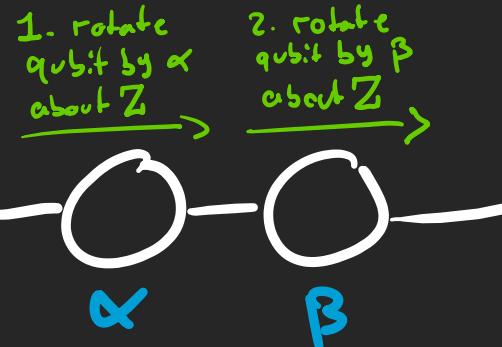


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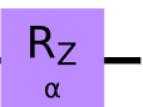
Qubit Rotations

All rotation angles in this course follow the right-hand rule unless stated otherwise.



Z rotations

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.rz(Parameter("α"), 0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

q -  -

$$-\boxed{R_z(\alpha)}- := -\textcircled{O}-$$

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.z(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

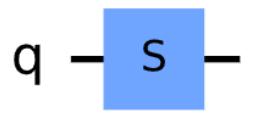
q -  -

$$-\boxed{z}- := -\textcircled{\pi}-$$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

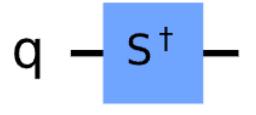
The S gate

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.s(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



$$-\boxed{S} - := -\textcirclearrowleft - \xrightarrow{\pi/2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.sdg(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

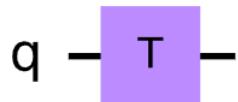


$$-\boxed{S^\dagger} - := -\textcirclearrowleft - \xrightarrow{-\pi/2} -\textcirclearrowleft - \xrightarrow{3\pi/2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}$$

(For quantum gates, the dagger superscript means inverse)

The T gate

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.t(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

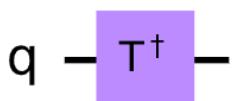


$$-\boxed{T} - := -\bigcirc -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$



```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.tdg(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



$$-\boxed{T^\dagger} - := -\bigcirc -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$



Some qubit states

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|0\rangle + e^{i\alpha}|1\rangle \leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} 0 \\ \alpha \end{matrix}$$

(not normalised)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{i\alpha}|1\rangle) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$$

(normalised)

angle θ is omitted

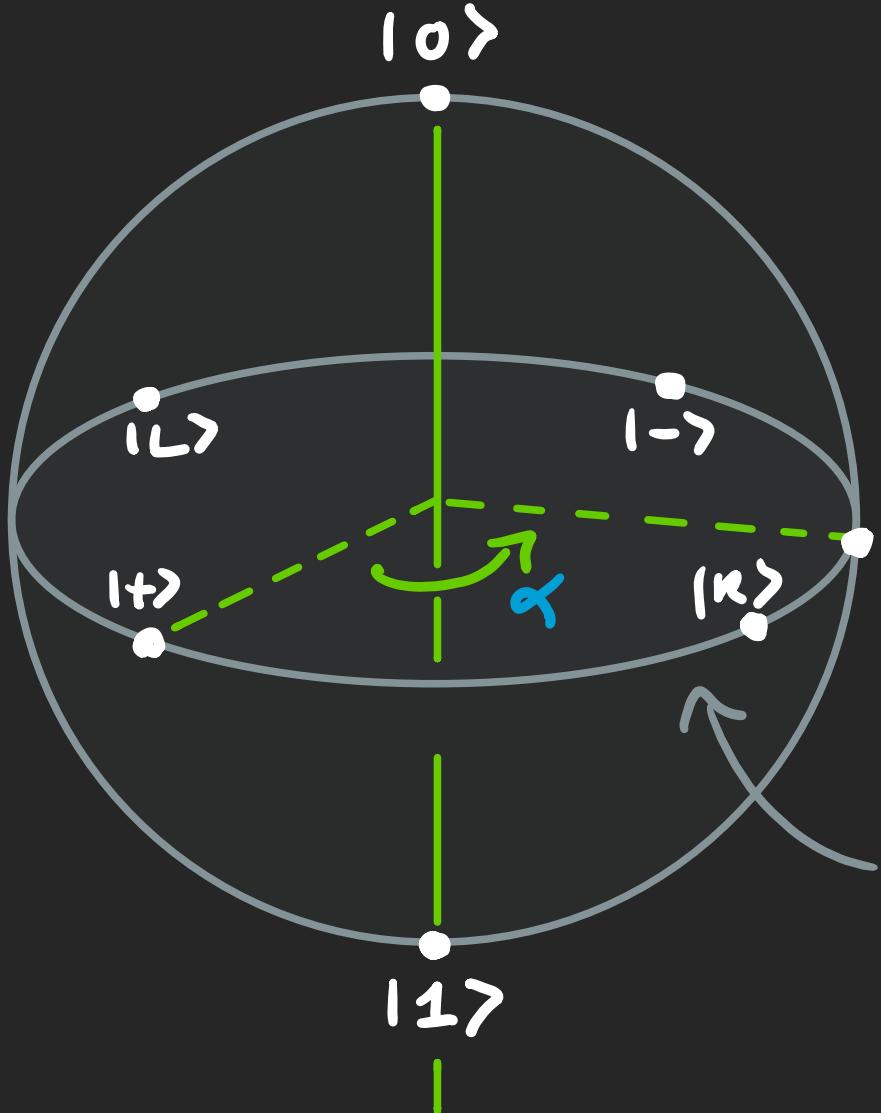
$$|+\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|-\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|R\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|L\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

Some qubit states



Generic "Z-equatorial" state:

$$\frac{1}{2} |\alpha\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|L\rangle - |R\rangle)$$

$\underbrace{|L\rangle}_{|+\rangle} \quad \underbrace{|R\rangle}_{R_Z(\alpha)}$

This circle is the equator for
the Z axis ($|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ are poles)

Qubit Rotations

$$R_x(\alpha) := \begin{pmatrix} \cos\alpha & -i\sin\alpha \\ -i\sin\alpha & \cos\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|+\rangle\langle+| + e^{i\alpha}|-\rangle\langle-|$$



$\text{---} \oplus \text{---}$

α

Angles and other parameters are blue in diagrams,
to help distinguish them from probabilities.

wire = identity

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow$$

$\text{---} \oplus \text{---}$

identity matrix

θ

angle $\uparrow \theta$ omitted

\downarrow

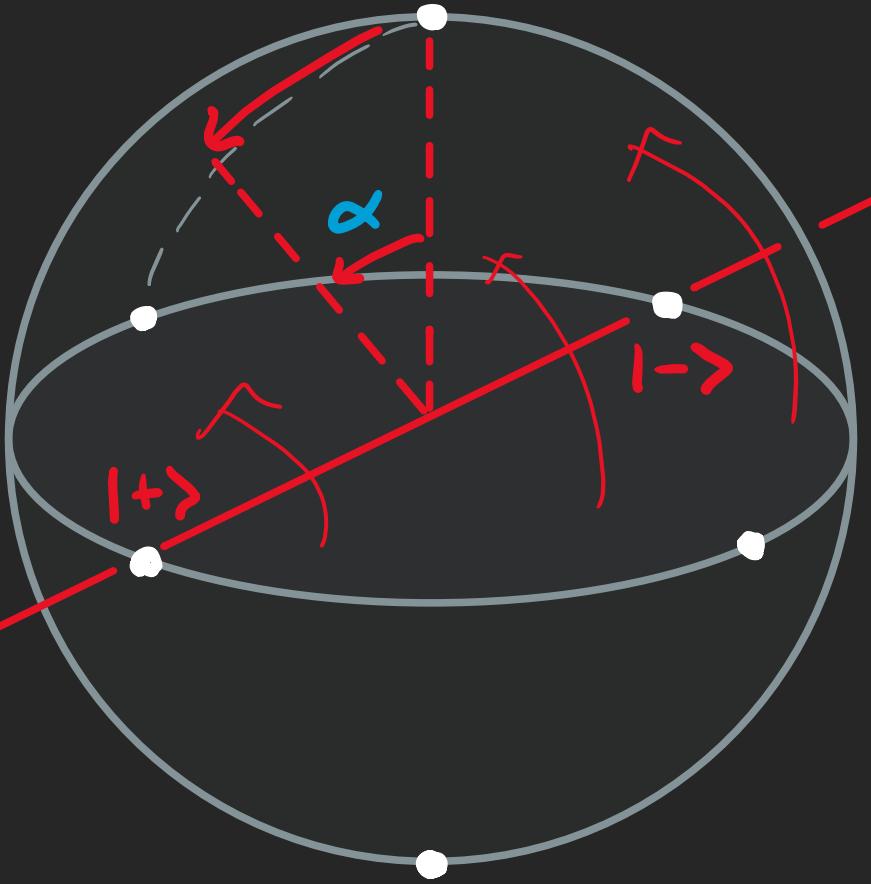
Qubit Rotations

X rotation
by angle α

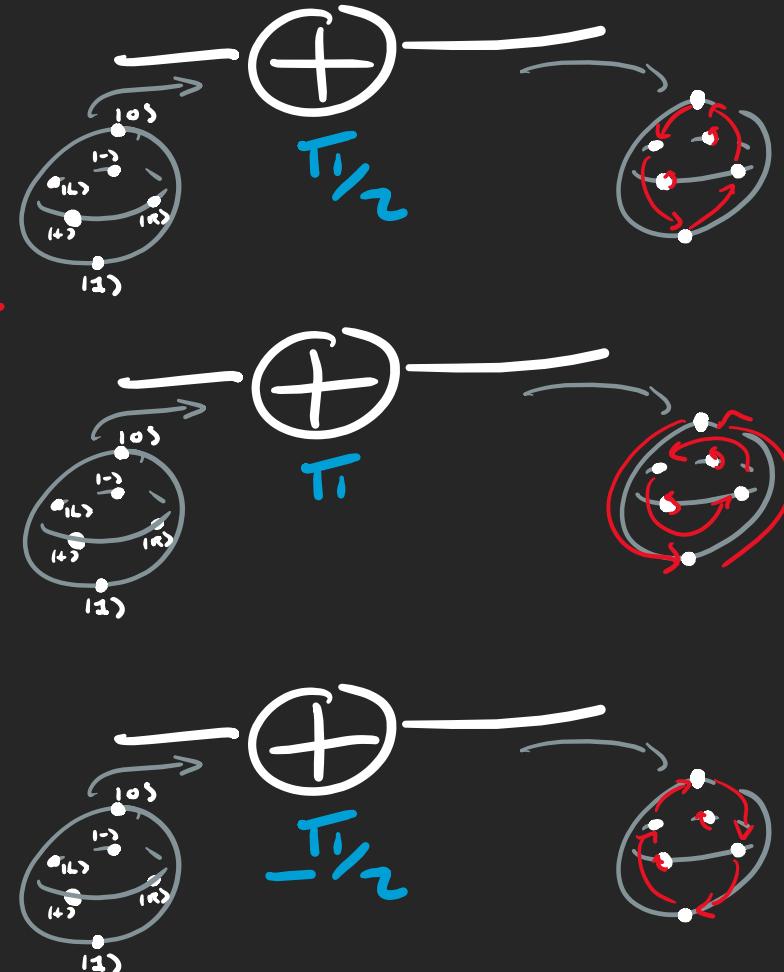


α

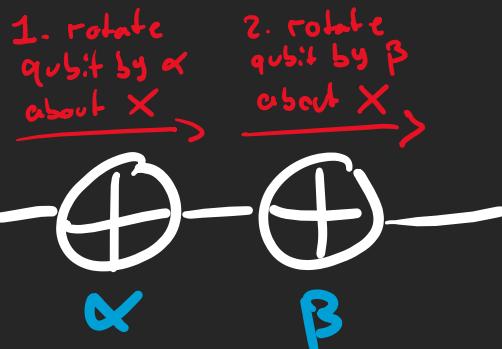
X axis



Examples



Qubit Rotations



fuse

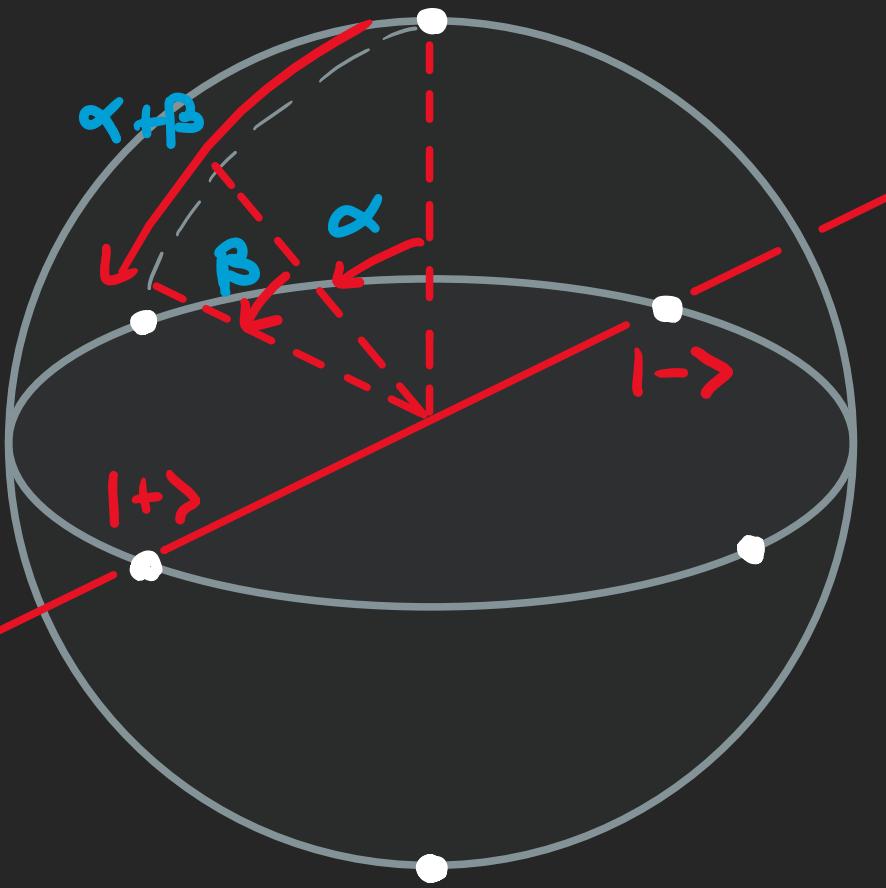
$$= - \begin{array}{c} \oplus \\ \ominus \end{array} -$$

$\alpha + \beta$

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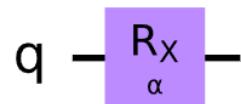
$$= - \begin{array}{c} \oplus \\ \ominus \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \oplus \\ \ominus \end{array} -$$

β α X axis



X rotations

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.rx(Parameter("α"), 0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



$$-\boxed{R_x(\alpha)}- := -\bigoplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \alpha$$

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.x(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



$$-\boxed{X}- := -\bigoplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hbar$$

The \sqrt{X} gate

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.sx(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

q - \sqrt{X} -

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.sxdg(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

q - \sqrt{X}^\dagger -

as matrices: $\sqrt{X} \cdot \sqrt{X} = X$

$$-\boxed{\sqrt{X}}- := -\bigoplus_{\pi/2}^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ -i & 1 \end{pmatrix}}-$$
$$-\boxed{\sqrt{X}^\dagger}- := -\bigoplus_{-\pi/2}^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Some qubit states

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1+e^{i\alpha} \\ 1-e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|+\rangle + e^{i\alpha}|-\rangle \leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \alpha \end{matrix} -$$

(not normalised)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|+\rangle + e^{i\alpha}|-\rangle) \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \alpha \end{matrix} -$$

(normalised)

angle θ is omitted

$$|0\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \alpha \end{matrix} -$$

$$|1\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \pi \end{matrix} -$$

$$|L\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \pi/2 \end{matrix} -$$

$$|R\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ -\pi/2 \end{matrix} -$$

Some qubit states

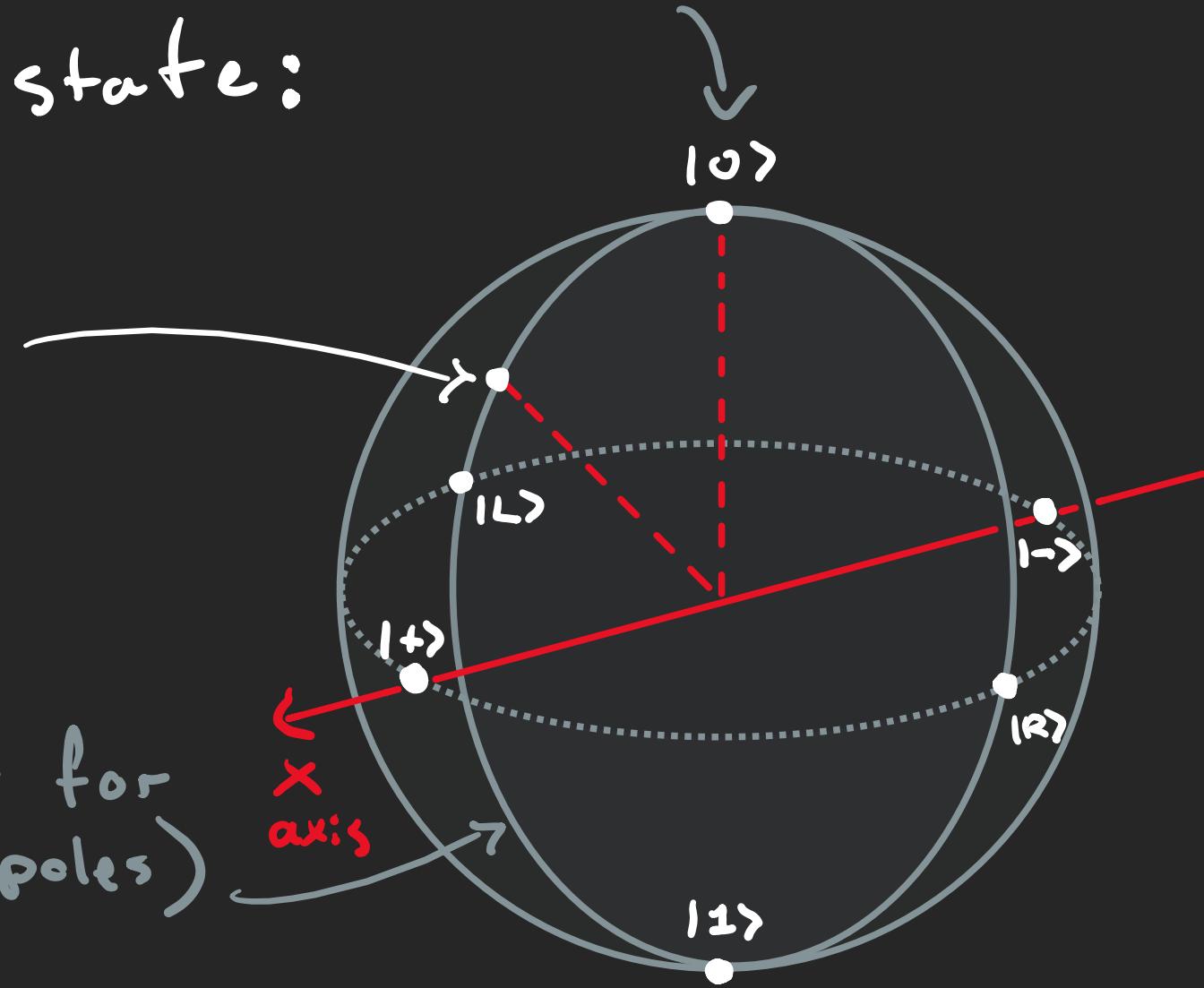
$$\oplus := |0\rangle$$

Generic "X-equatorial" state:

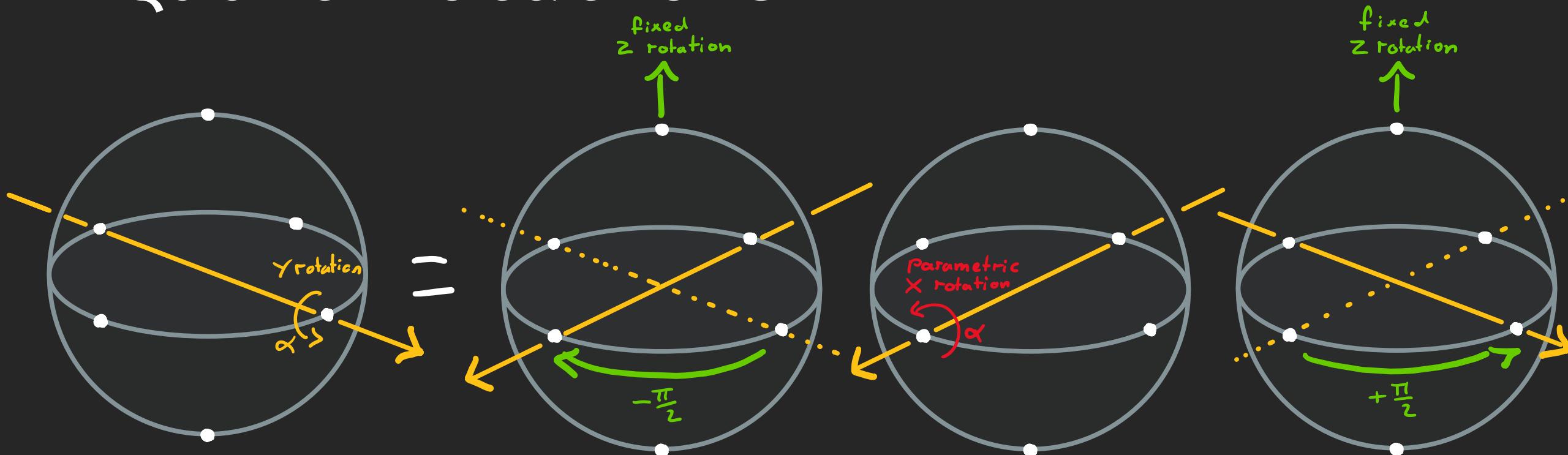
$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \alpha \end{matrix} - = \frac{1}{2} \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \alpha \end{matrix} - \begin{matrix} \oplus \\ \beta \end{matrix}$$

$|0\rangle$ $R_x(\alpha)$

This circle is the equator for
the X axis ($|+\rangle$ and $|-\rangle$ are poles)



Qubit Rotations



$$\overline{R_y(\alpha)} := \text{---} \circ \text{---} \oplus \text{---} \circ \text{---}$$

Y rotation $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ α $+\frac{\pi}{2}$

Qubit Rotations

$$R_y(\alpha) := \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} & -\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} & \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

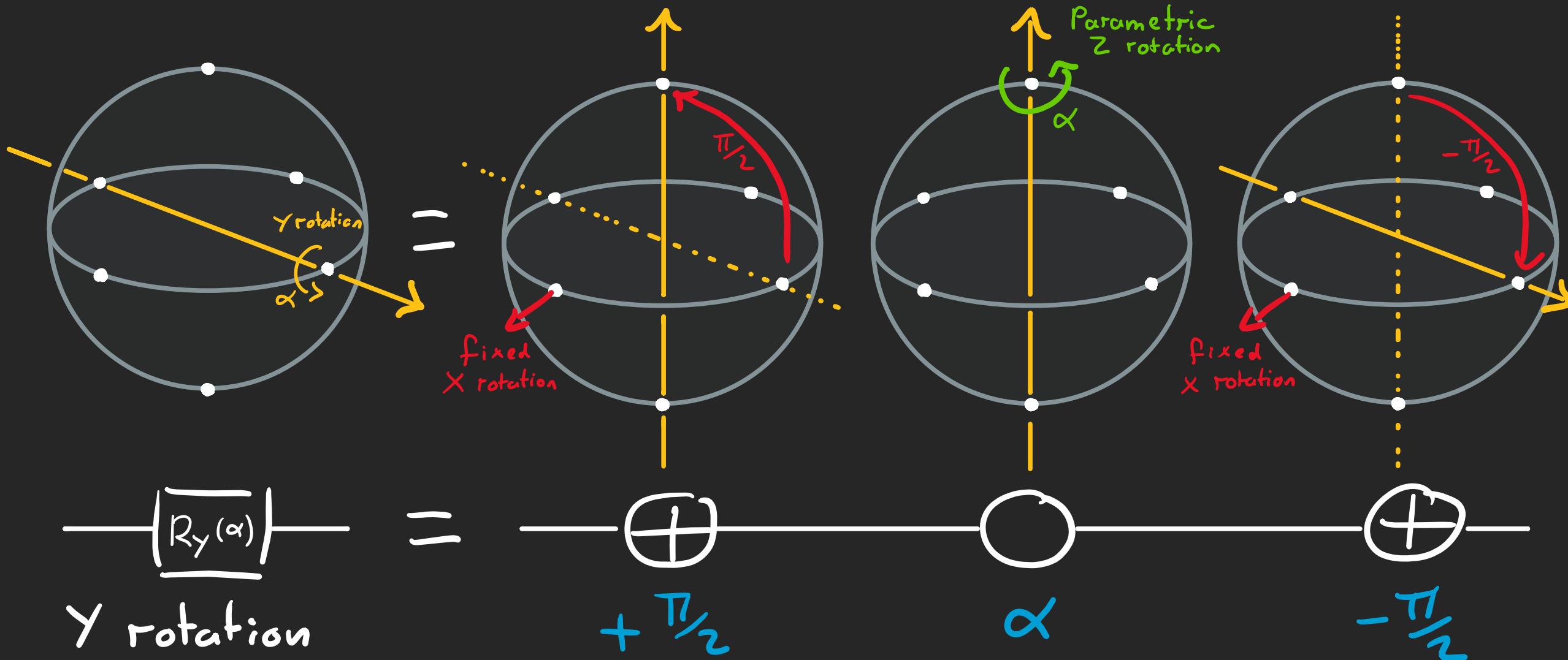
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} & -i \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ -i \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} & \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{3\pi}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_z\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$R_x(\alpha)$$

$$R_z\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Qubit Rotations



Qubit Rotations

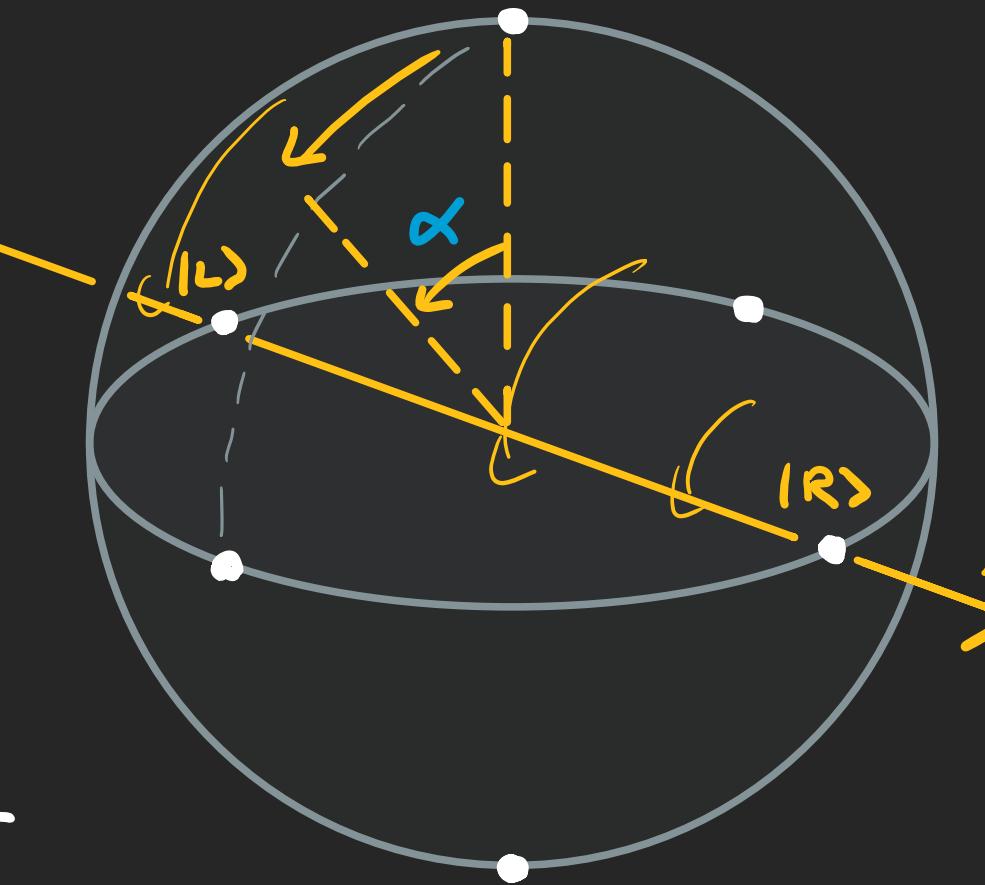
γ rotation
by angle α



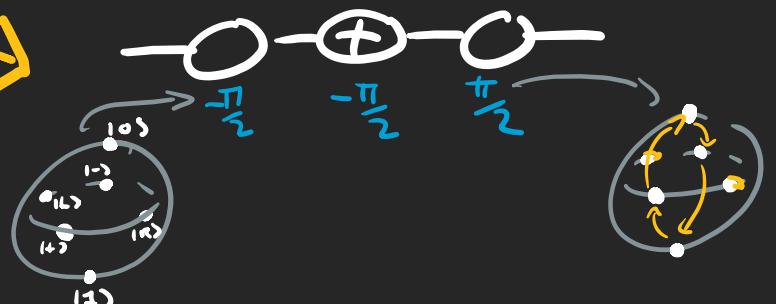
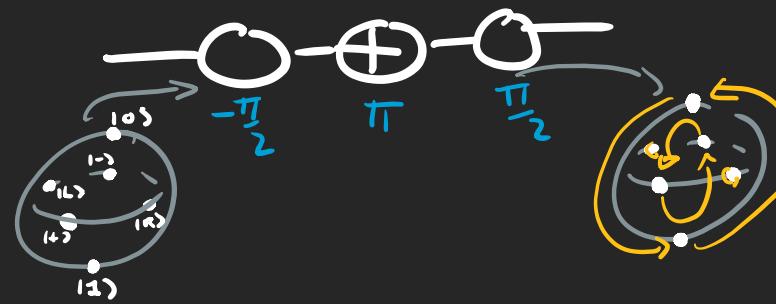
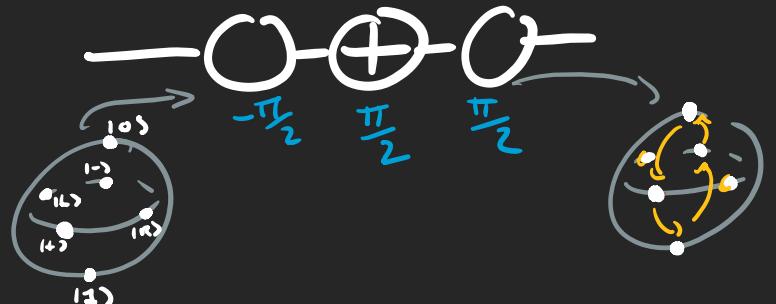
$-\frac{\pi}{2}$ α $\frac{\pi}{2}$



$\frac{\pi}{2}$ α $-\frac{\pi}{2}$

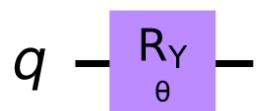


Examples



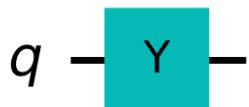
Y rotations

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.ry(theta, 0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



$$-\boxed{R_Y(\theta)}- := -\text{C} - \oplus - \text{C} - \\ -\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \alpha \quad \frac{\pi}{2}$$

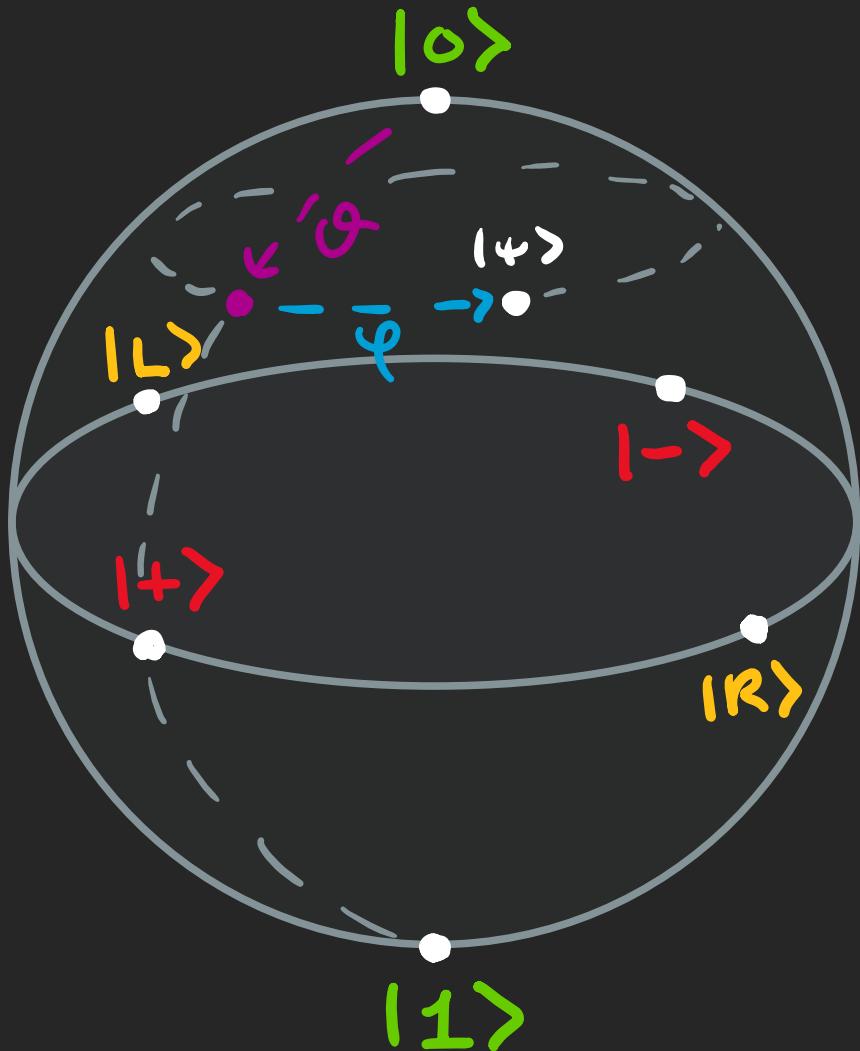
```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.y(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



$$-\boxed{Y}- := -\text{C} - \oplus - \text{C} - \\ -\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \text{H} \quad \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$\tilde{\sim} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Qubit States



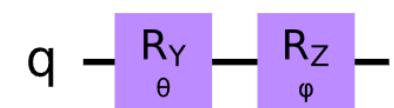
$$|+\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \oplus -\overline{|R_y(\theta)\rangle} - \overline{|R_z(\varphi)\rangle} -$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \oplus \oplus \circ -\oplus -\circ \\ \pi/2 \quad \theta \quad -\pi/2 \quad \varphi$$

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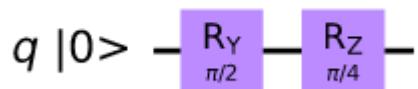
$$= \frac{1}{2} \oplus -\circ -\oplus -\circ \\ \pi/2 \quad \theta \quad -\pi/2 \quad \varphi$$

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.ry(Parameter("θ"), 0)
circ.rz(Parameter("φ"), 0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



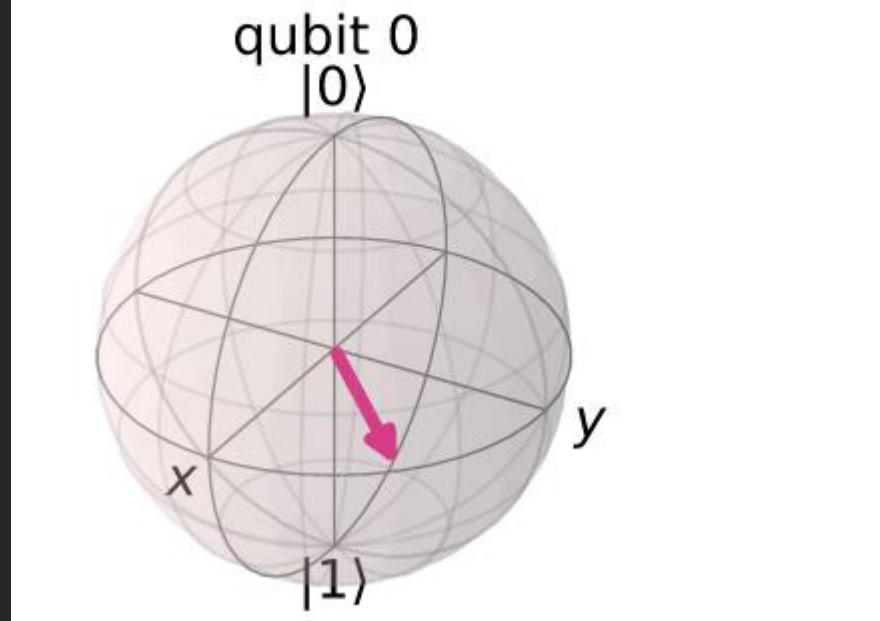
Visualisation in Qiskit

```
from qiskit import QuantumCircuit  
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)  
circ.ry(pi/2, 0)  
circ.rz(pi/4, 0)  
circ.draw("mpl", initial_state=True)
```

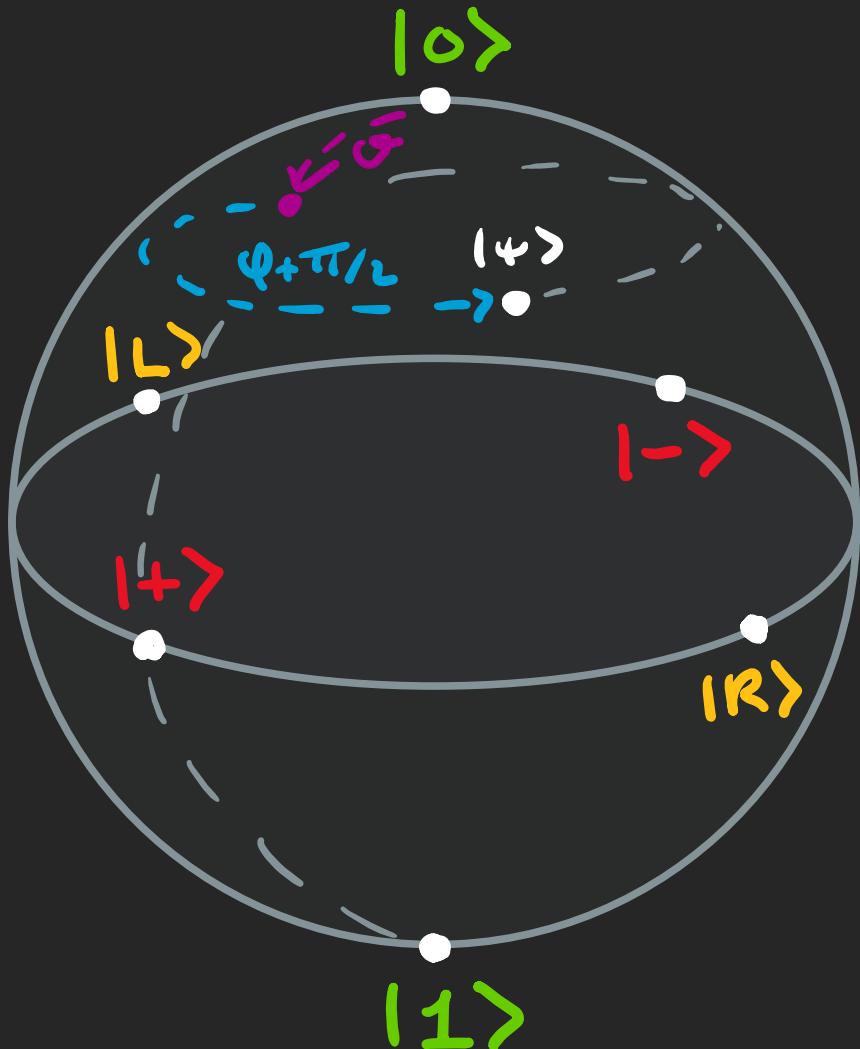


$$\frac{1}{2} \oplus -\boxed{R_y(\frac{\pi}{2})} - O - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

```
from qiskit.visualization import plot_bloch_multivector  
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)  
circ.ry(pi/2, 0)  
circ.rz(pi/4, 0)  
plot_bloch_multivector(circ)
```



Qubit States



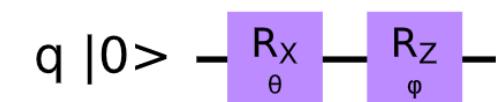
$$|4\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \oplus -\overline{|R_x(\theta)\rangle} - \overline{|R_z(\varphi + \frac{\pi}{2})\rangle} -$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \oplus_{\theta} \textcircled{+} \textcircled{-} \textcircled{C} \quad \varphi + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \oplus_{\theta} \textcircled{+} \textcircled{C} \quad \varphi + \frac{\pi}{2}$$

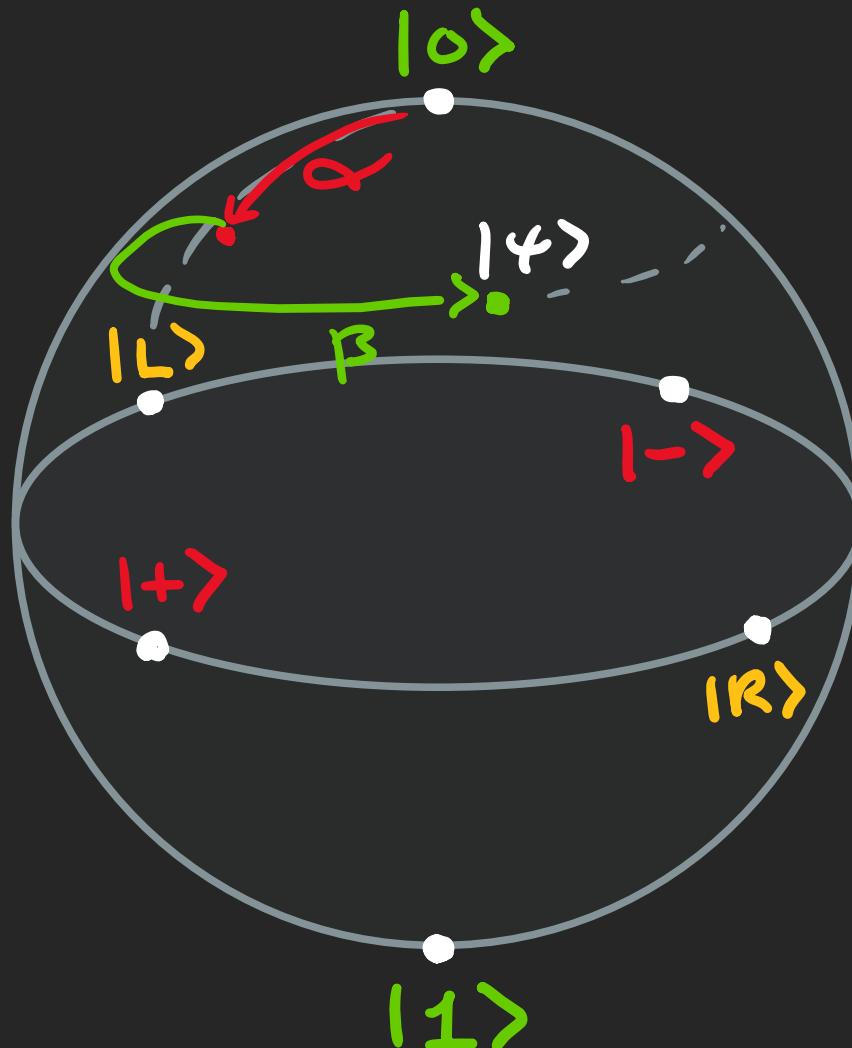
```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.rx(Parameter("θ"), 0)
circ.rz(Parameter("φ"), 0)
circ.draw("mpl", initial_state=True)
```



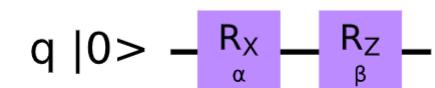
Qubit States

$$|4\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \oplus -\alpha - \beta$$

All qubit states can be obtained by Z rotation of a suitable X-equatorial state.



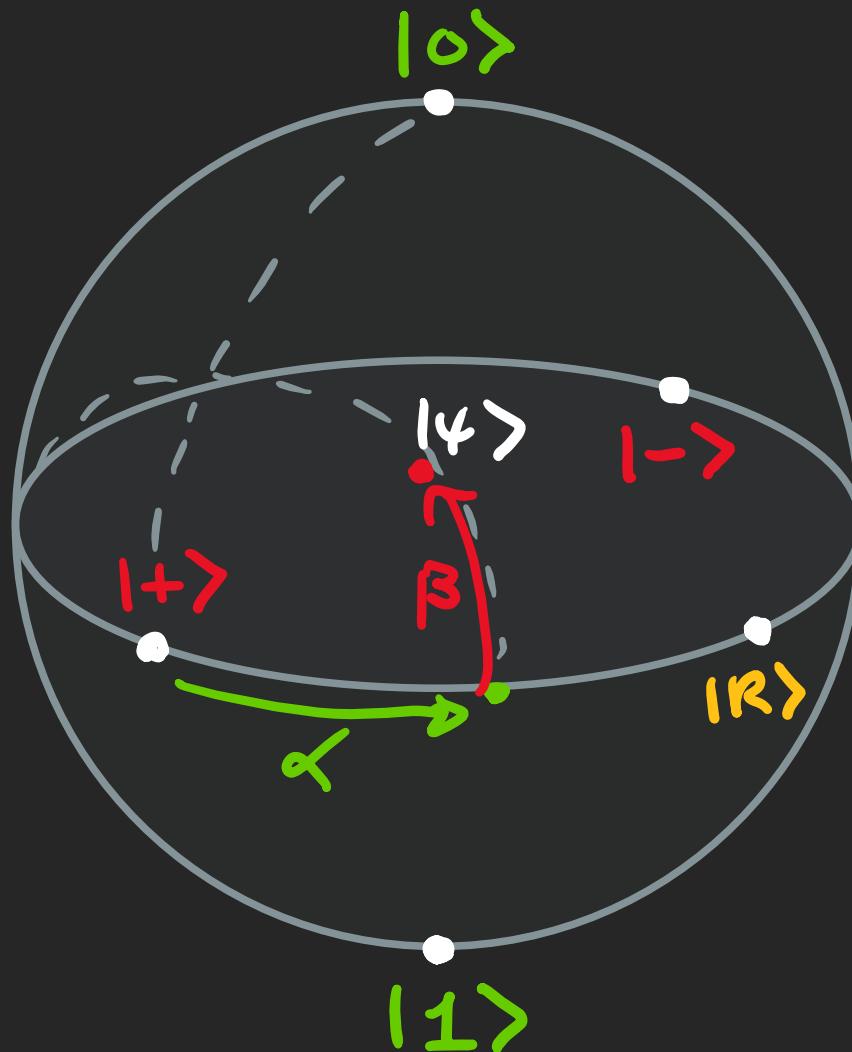
```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.rx(Parameter("α"), 0)
circ.rz(Parameter("β"), 0)
circ.draw("mpl", initial_state=True)
```



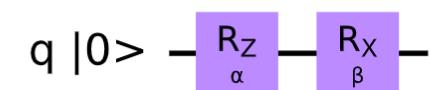
Qubit States

$$|4\rangle = \frac{1}{2} |0\rangle - \alpha |+\rangle - \beta |- \rangle$$

All qubit states can be obtained by \times rotation of a suitable Z-equatorial state.

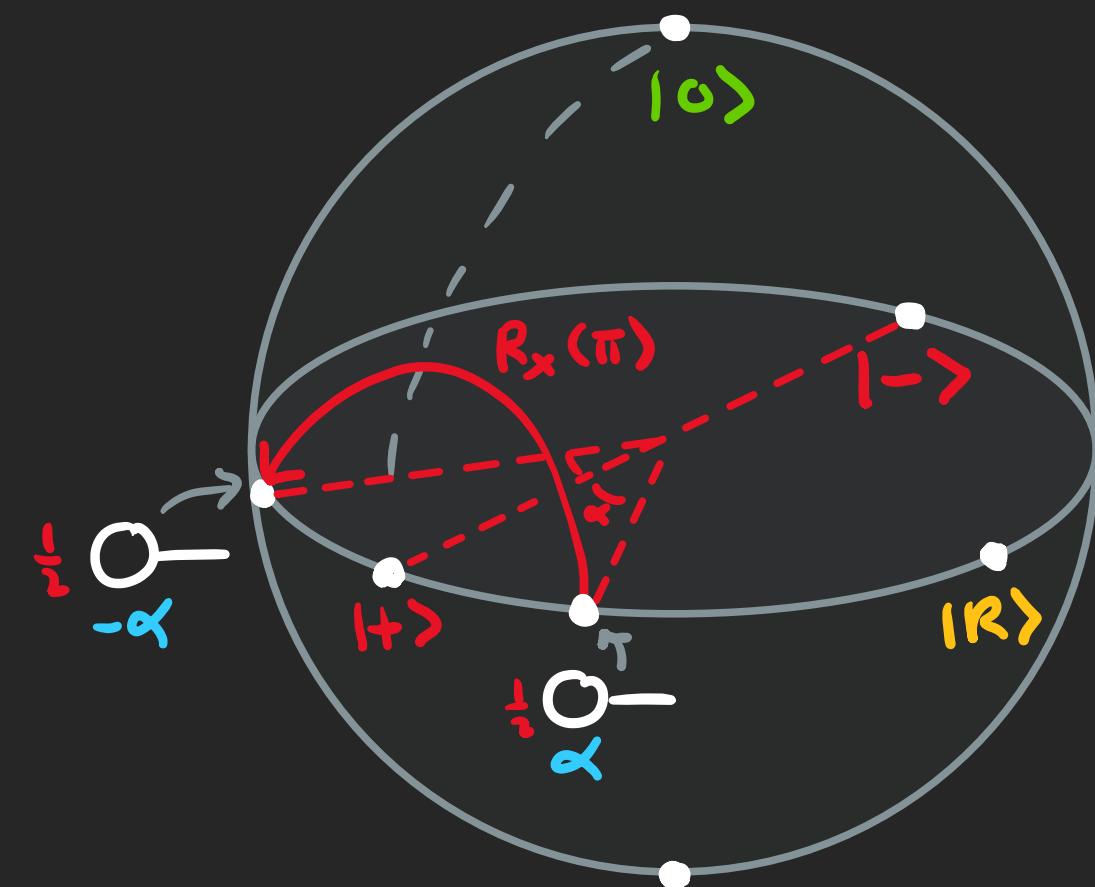


```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.rz(Parameter("α"), 0)
circ.rx(Parameter("β"), 0)
circ.draw("mpl", initial_state=True)
```

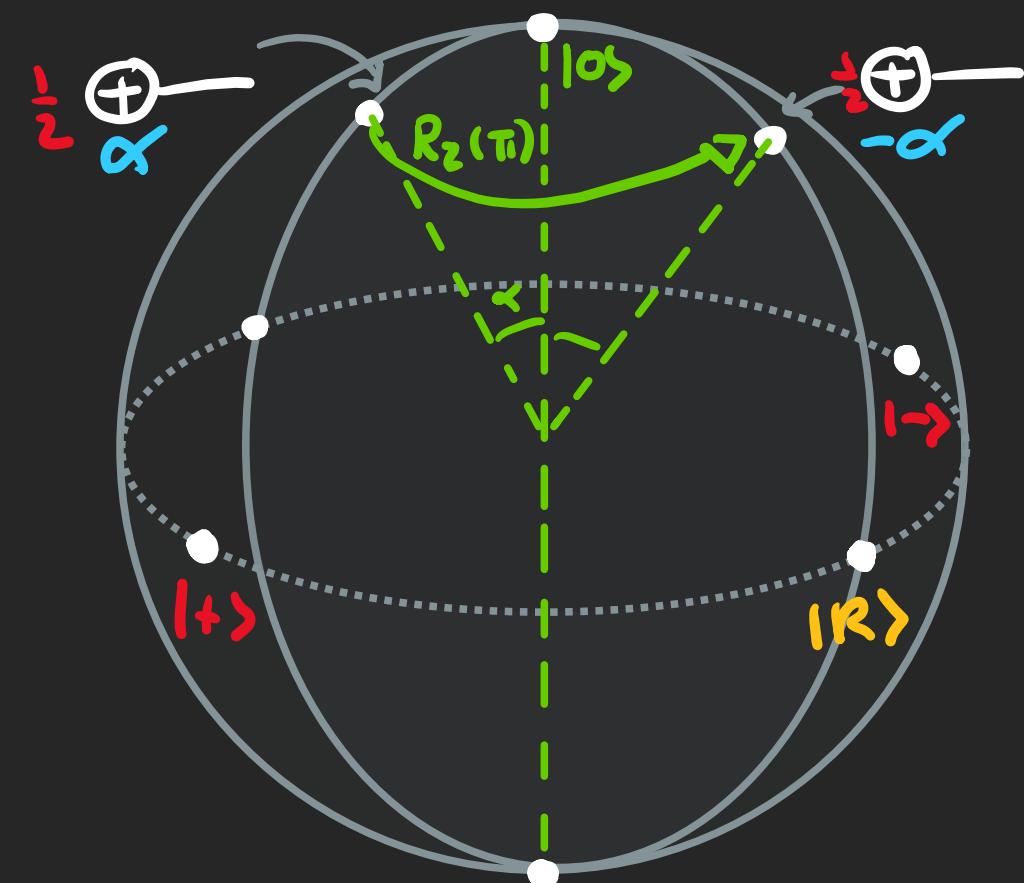


Effect of π Rotations

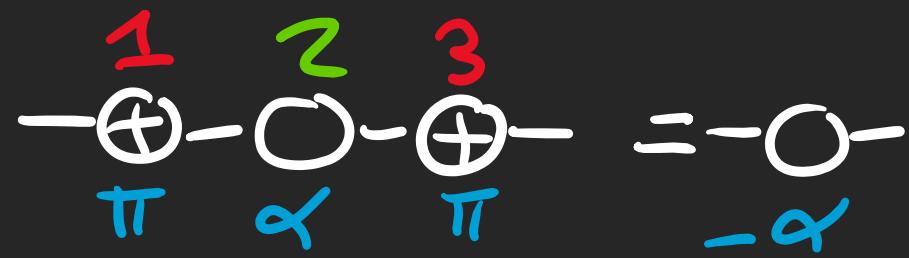
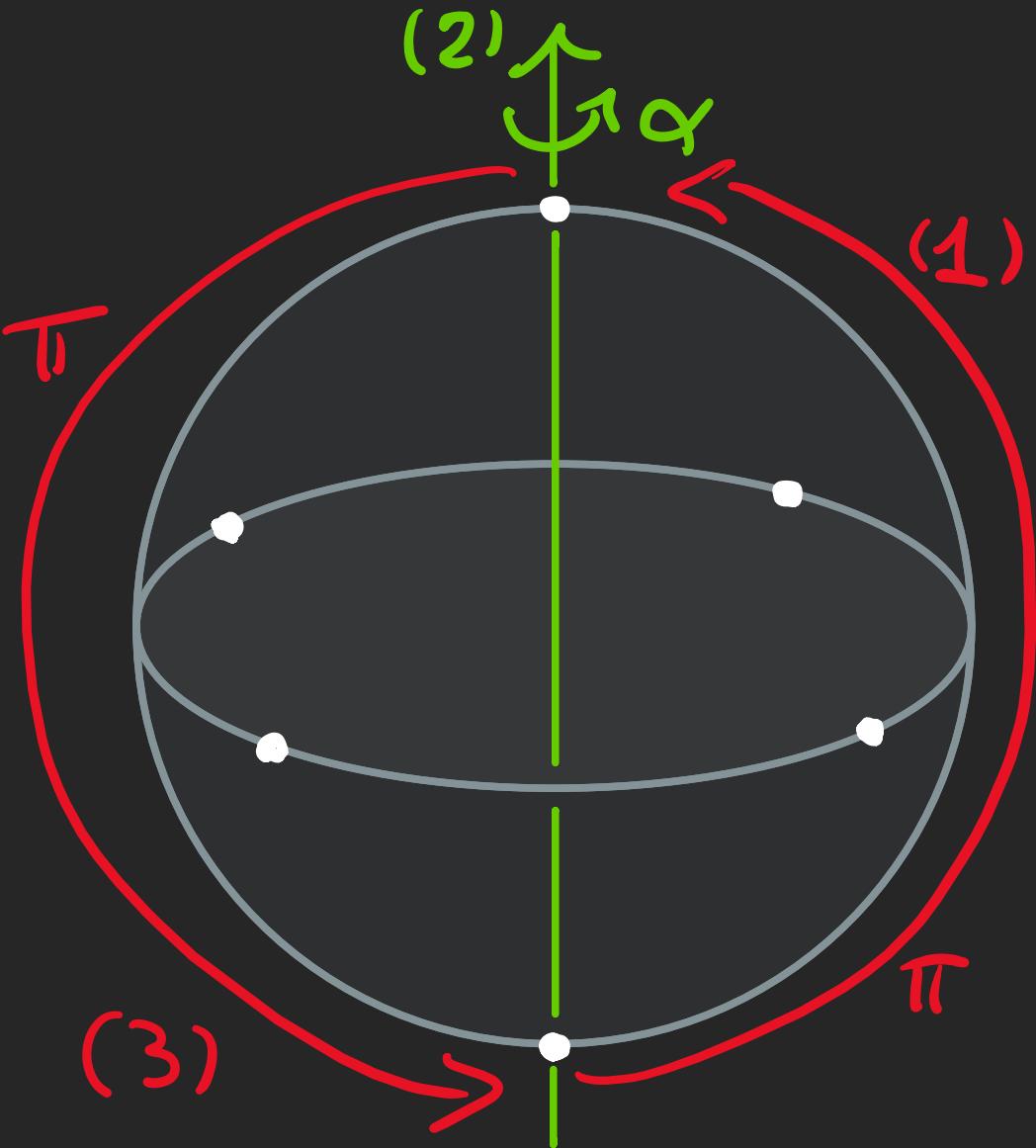
$$\frac{1}{2} \underset{\alpha}{\textcirclearrowleft} - \underset{\pi}{\oplus} = \frac{1}{2} \underset{-\alpha}{\textcirclearrowleft}$$



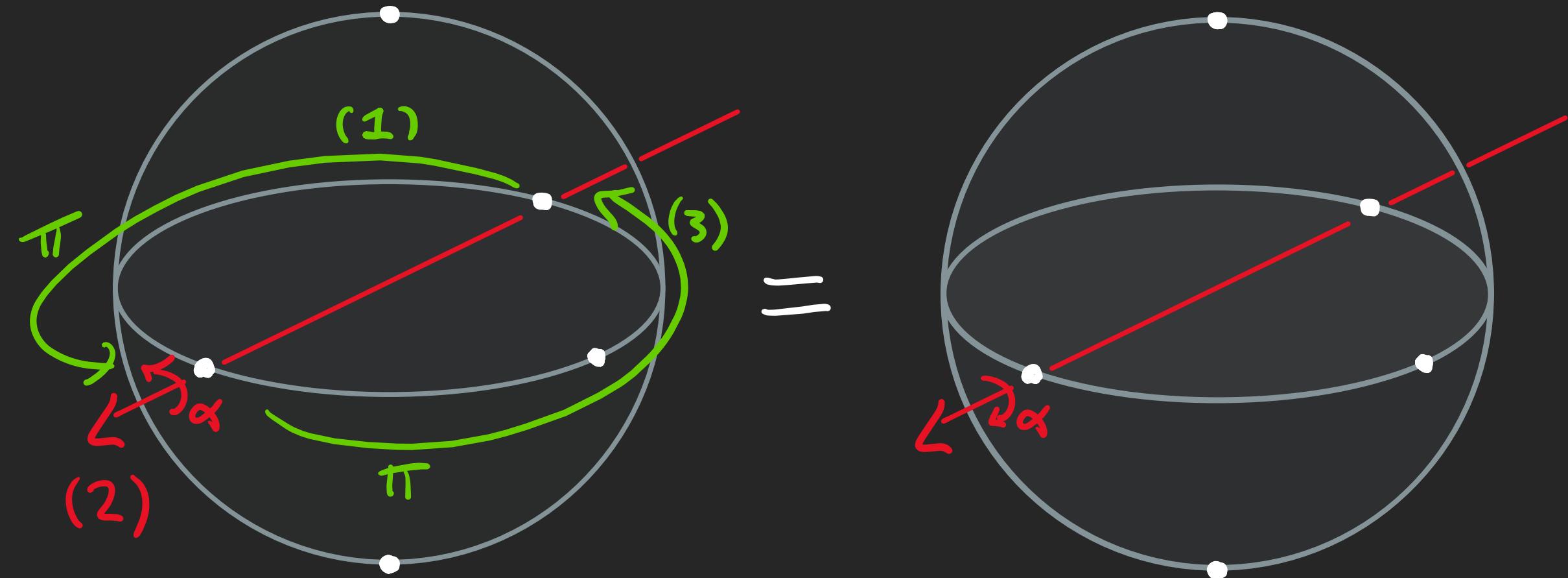
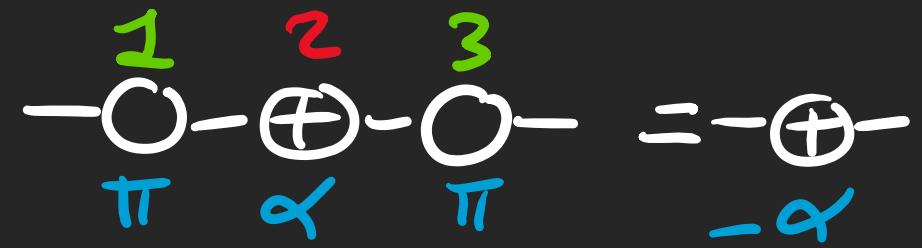
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Effect of π Rot's



Effect of π Rot's

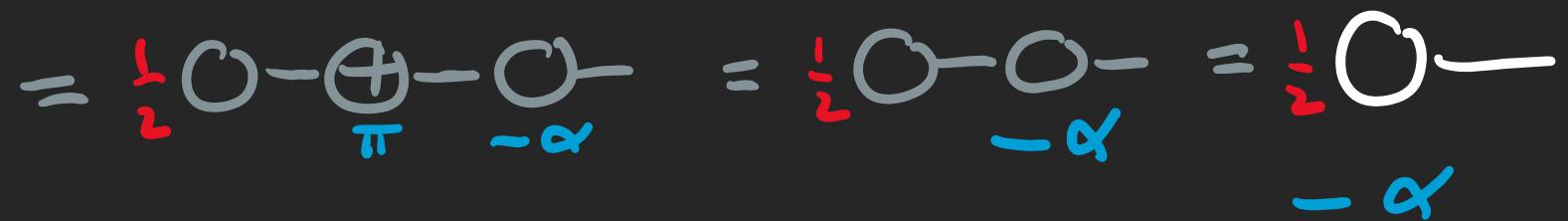
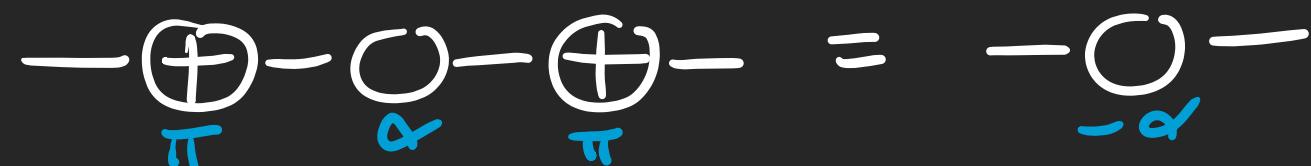


Effect of π Rotations

$$-\oplus-\circ-\oplus- = -\circ- \quad \} \text{ on rotations}$$

$$-\circ-\oplus-\circ- = -\circ-\oplus- \quad \} \text{ on states}$$

Effect of π Rotations



Effect of π Rotations

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \oplus \\[-1ex] \textcolor{red}{b\pi} \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \oplus \\[-1ex] \pi \end{array} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \oplus \\[-1ex] (1-b)\pi \end{array}$$

for $b \in \{0, 1\}$

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\[-1ex] b\pi \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \circ \\[-1ex] \pi \end{array} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\[-1ex] (1-b)\pi \end{array}$$

$$-\begin{array}{c} \oplus \\[-1ex] \pi \end{array} - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle \mapsto |1\rangle \\ |1\rangle \mapsto |0\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

acts as boolean
negation on Z basis

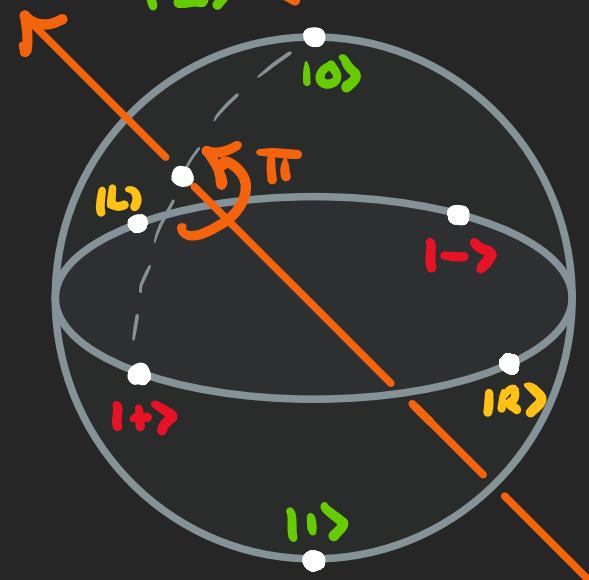
$$-\begin{array}{c} \circ \\[-1ex] \pi \end{array} - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |+\rangle \mapsto |- \rangle \\ |- \rangle \mapsto |+\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

acts as the flipping
of sign on X basis

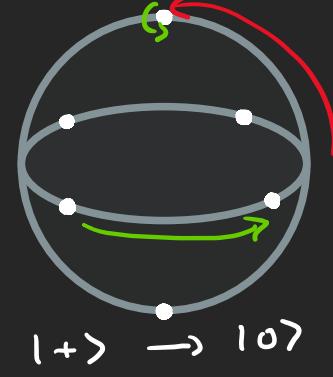
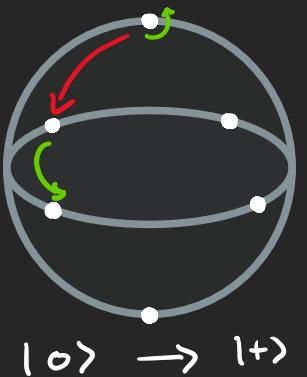
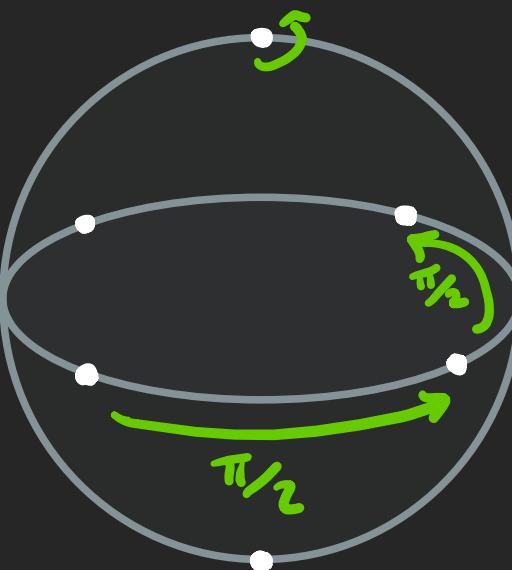
Qubit Rotations

$$\begin{array}{c} |0\rangle \xleftrightarrow{\pi} |+\rangle \\ |1\rangle \xleftrightarrow{\pi} |- \rangle \end{array}$$

$$|R\rangle \xleftrightarrow{\pi} |L\rangle$$



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\boxed{H} := Hadamard gate

\textcircled{O} $\textcircled{\times}$ $\textcircled{\oplus}$ $\textcircled{\ominus}$

Qubit Rotations

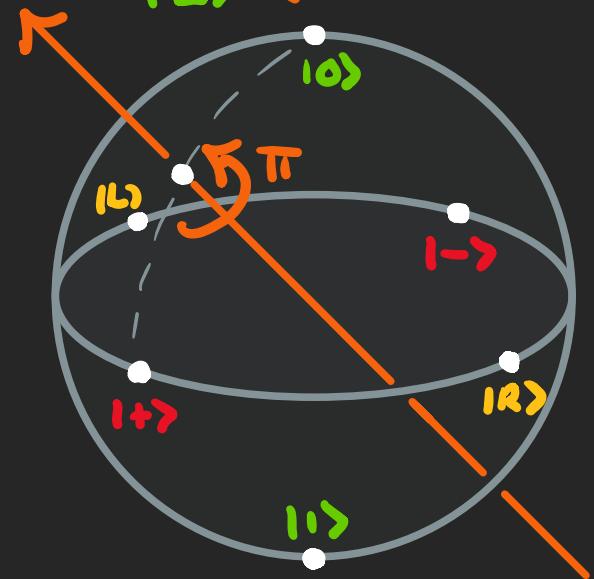
$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

Hadamard
gate

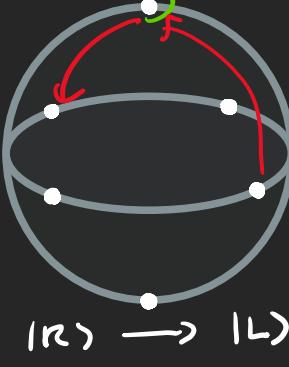
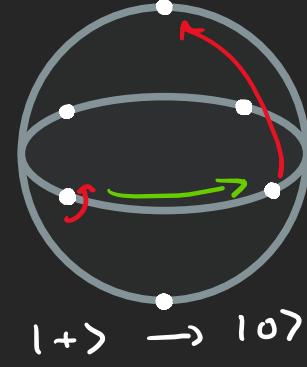
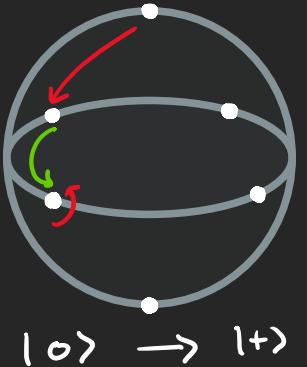
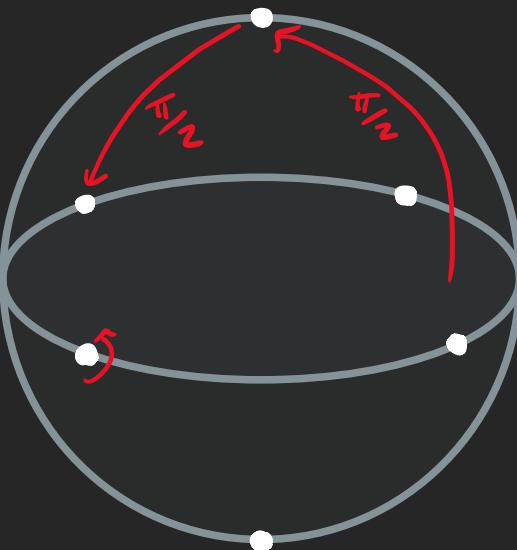
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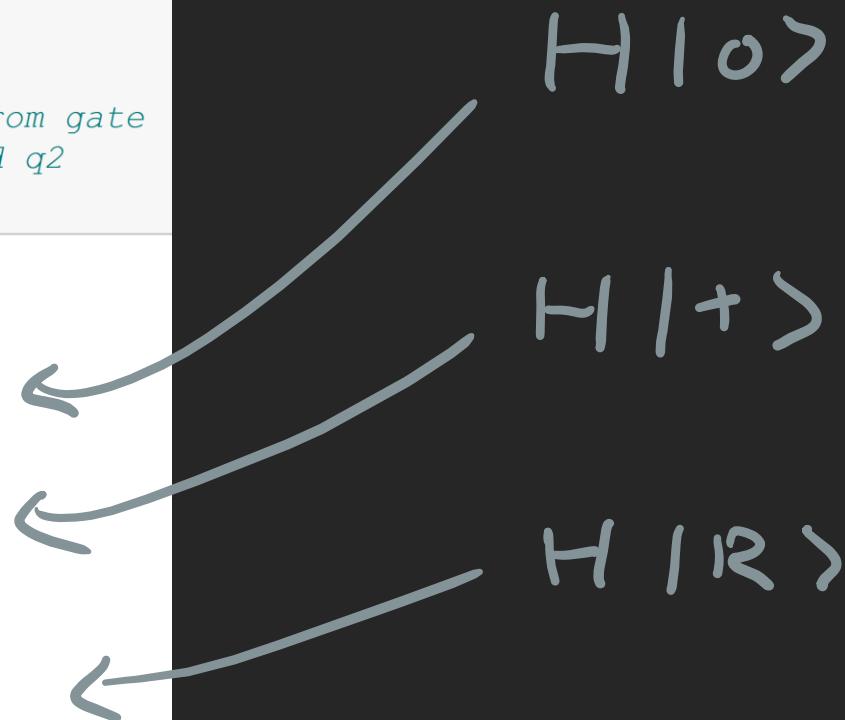
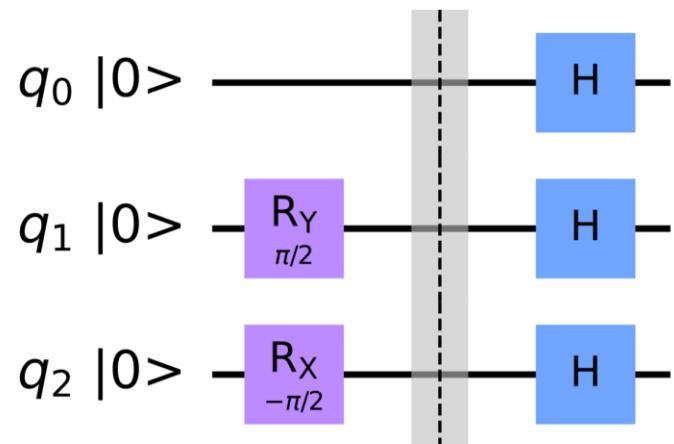
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$$\text{Hadamard gate} = \text{---} \boxed{\text{H}} \text{---} = \text{---} \bigoplus_{\pi/2} \text{---} \bigcirc_{\pi/2} \text{---} \bigoplus_{\pi/2} \text{---}$$

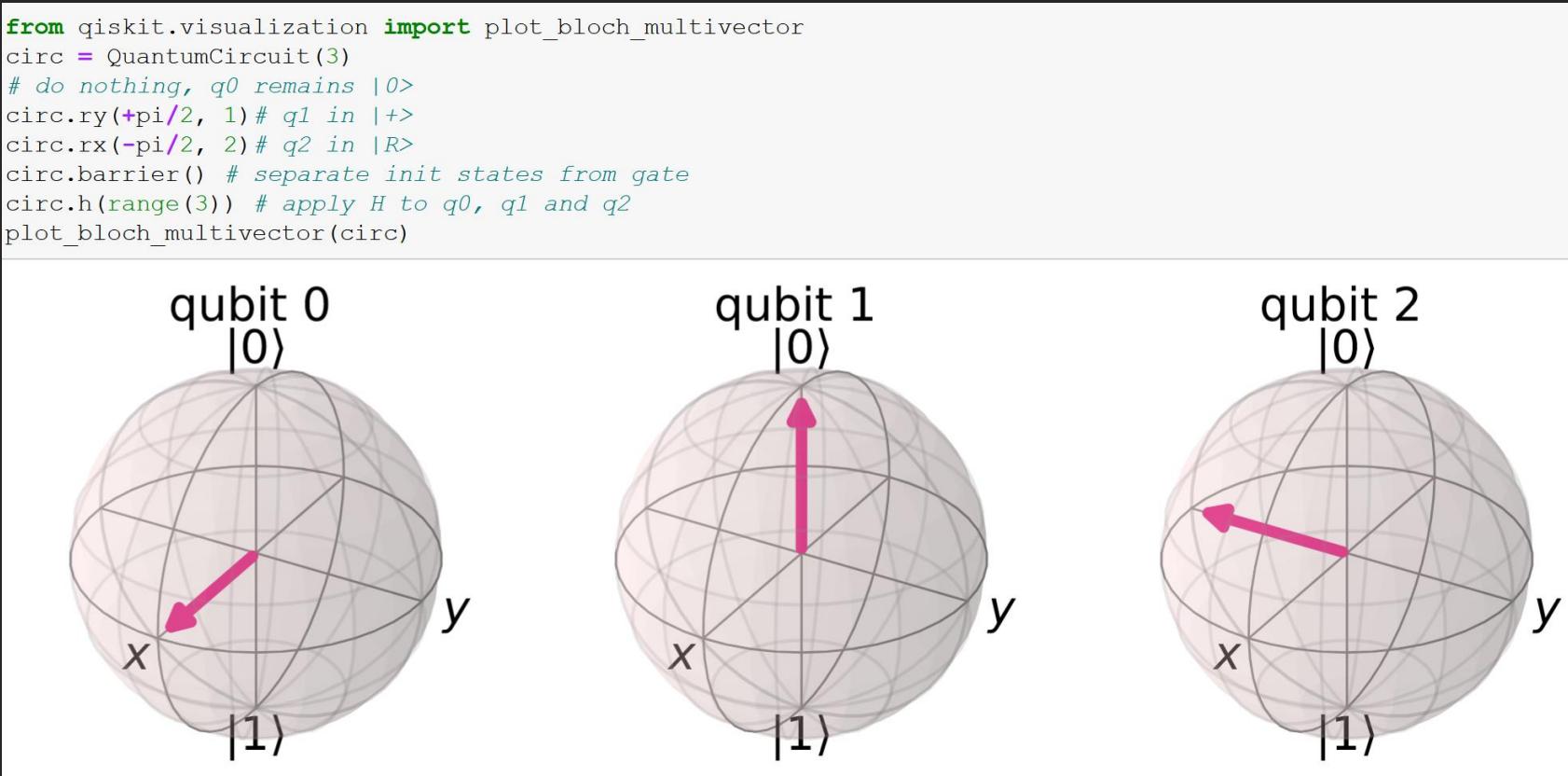
Visualisation in Qiskit

```
from qiskit import QuantumCircuit
circ = QuantumCircuit(3)
# do nothing, q0 remains |0>
circ.ry(pi/2, 1) # q1 in |+>
circ.rx(-pi/2, 2) # q2 in |R>
circ.barrier() # separate init states from gate
circ.h(range(3)) # apply H to q0, q1 and q2
circ.draw("mpl", initial_state=True)
```



Visualisation in Qiskit

```
from qiskit.visualization import plot_bloch_multivector
circ = QuantumCircuit(3)
# do nothing, q0 remains |0>
circ.ry(+pi/2, 1) # q1 in |+>
circ.rx(-pi/2, 2) # q2 in |R>
circ.barrier() # separate init states from gate
circ.h(range(3)) # apply H to q0, q1 and q2
plot_bloch_multivector(circ)
```

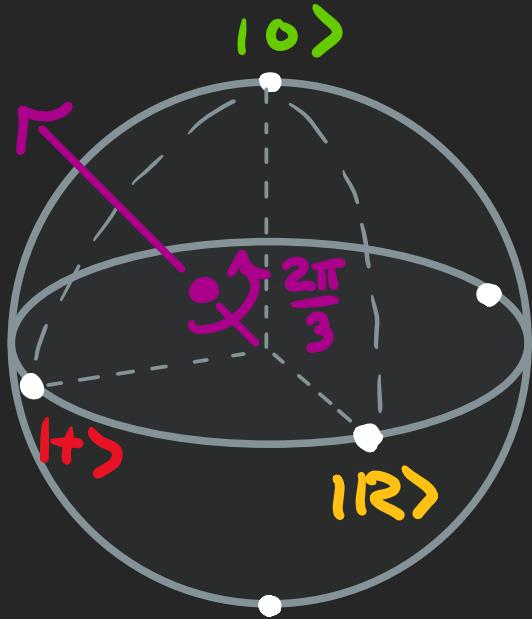


$$H|0\rangle = |+\rangle$$

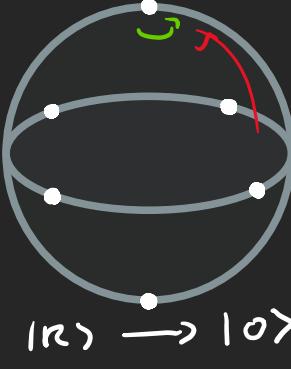
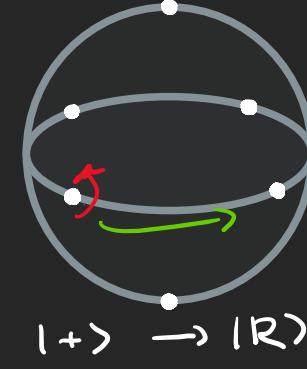
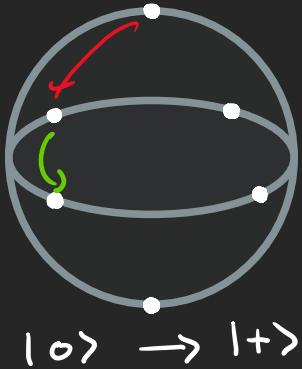
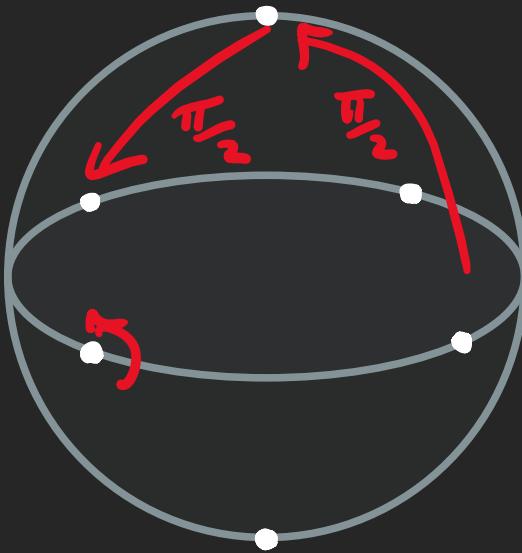
$$H|+\rangle = |0\rangle$$

$$H|R\rangle = |L\rangle$$

Qubit Rotations



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$$\text{Octahedral gate} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \boxed{\text{K}} \text{---} \\ \oplus \\ \frac{\pi}{2} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \oplus \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array}$$

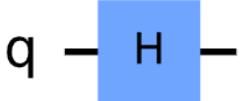
Qubit Rotations

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Octahedral
gate

The H and K gates

```
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.h(0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```



The K gate is currently not available in Qiskit.

$$\begin{aligned} -\boxed{H}- &:= -\bigcirc_{\pi/2} - \oplus_{\pi/2} - \bigcirc_{\pi/2} - \\ &\equiv -\oplus_{\pi/2} - \bigcirc_{\pi/2} - \oplus_{\pi/2} - \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\boxed{K}- &:= -\oplus_{\pi/2} - \bigcirc_{\pi/2} - \\ &\nwarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Qubit Rotations = Rotations of
the Bloch sphere

$$U(\theta, \varphi, \lambda) := R_z(\varphi) R_y(\theta) R_z(\lambda)$$

"U gate"

$$= e^{-\frac{\varphi+\lambda}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} & -e^{i\lambda} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ e^{i\varphi} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & e^{i(\varphi+\lambda)} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

```
theta = Parameter("θ")
phi = Parameter("φ")
lam = Parameter("λ")
circ = QuantumCircuit(1)
circ.u(theta, phi, lam, 0)
circ.draw("mpl")
```

$q - U_{\theta, \varphi, \lambda} -$

Qubit Rotations = Rotations of
the Bloch sphere

$$U(\vartheta, \varphi, \lambda) := R_z(\varphi) R_y(\vartheta) R_z(\lambda)$$

Generic unitary matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_{00} & U_{01} \\ U_{10} & U_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vartheta = \cos^{-1}(2U_{11}U_{22} - 1) \\ \lambda + \varphi = \arg(U_{12}/U_{21}) \\ \lambda + \varphi = \arg(U_{22}/U_{11}) \end{cases}$$

Qubit Rotations = Rotations of
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"U gate"

$$R_y(\vartheta) = \begin{smallmatrix} - & O & + & O & - \\ \downarrow & -\pi/2 & \vartheta & \pi/2 \end{smallmatrix}$$

$$\begin{smallmatrix} - & O & - & | \overline{R_y(\vartheta)} | & - & C & - \\ \lambda & & & & & \varphi & & \end{smallmatrix} = \begin{smallmatrix} - & O & - & \oplus & - & O & - \\ \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} & & & \vartheta & & \varphi + \frac{\pi}{2} & \end{smallmatrix}$$

Qubit Rotations = Rotations of
the Bloch sphere

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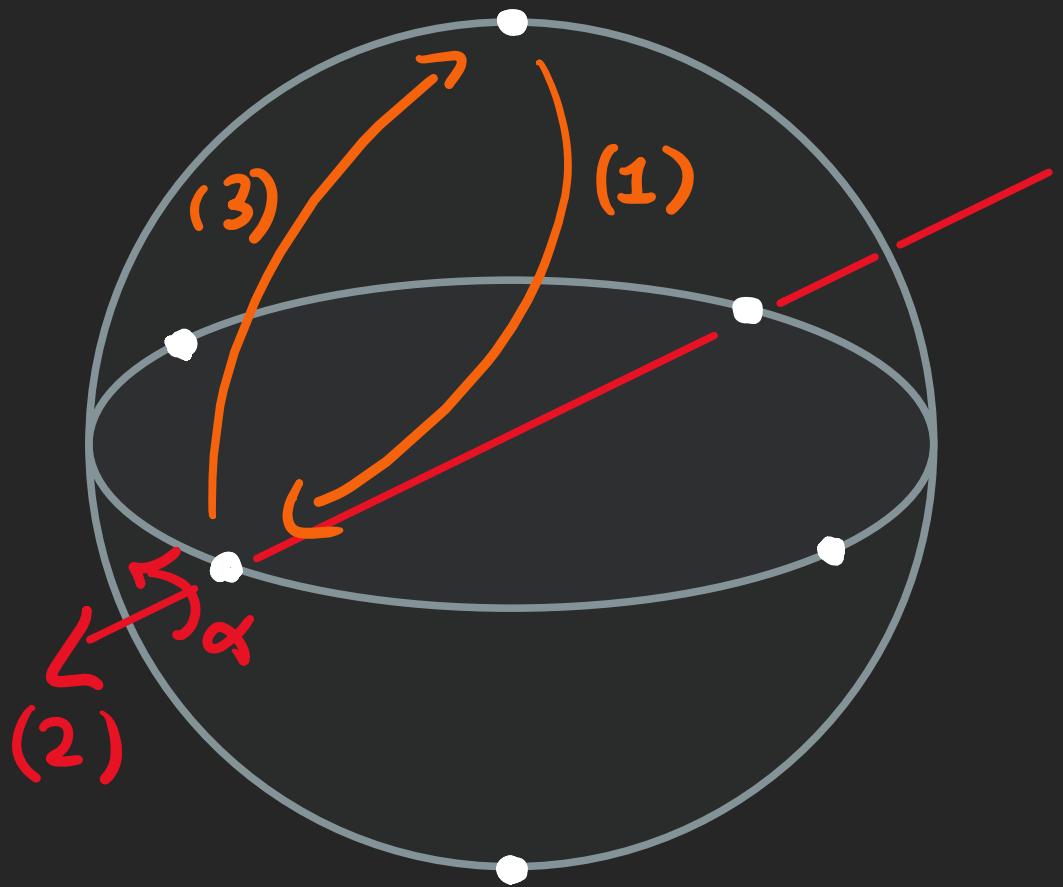
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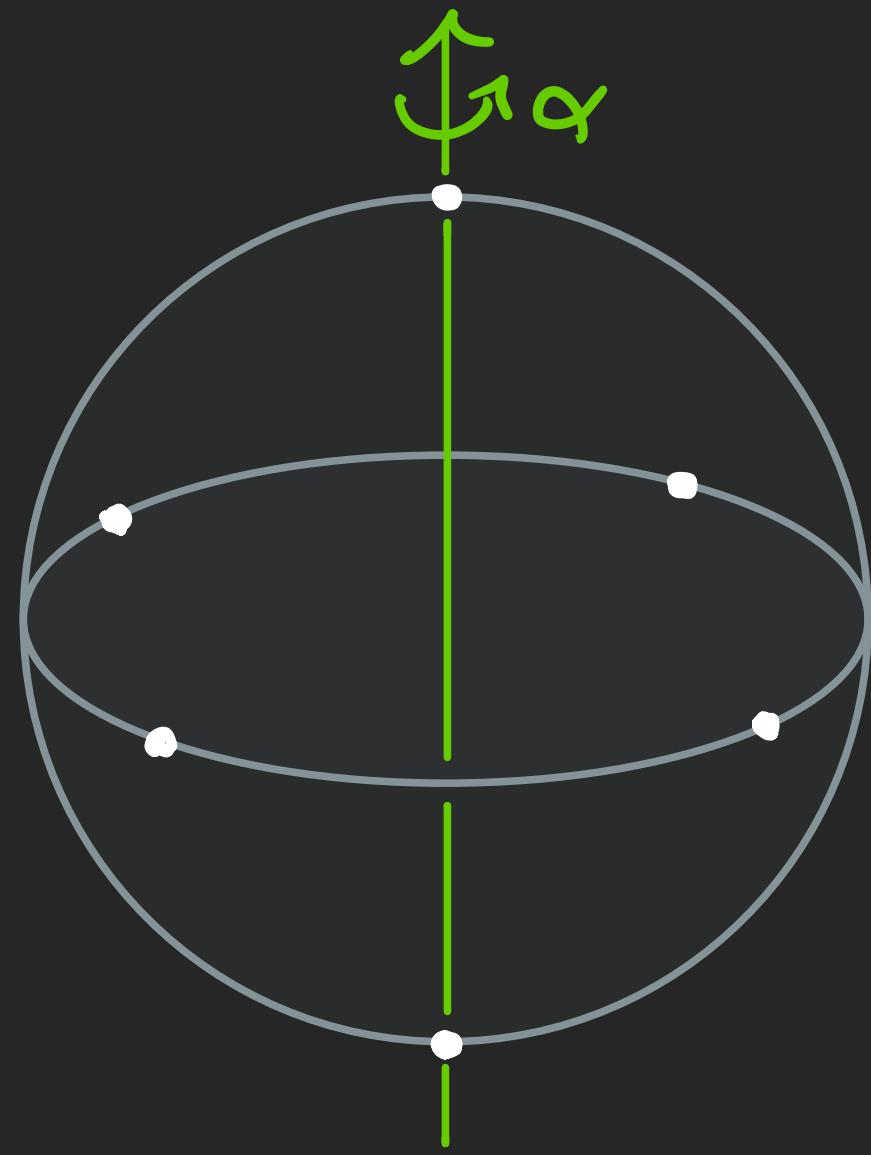
(Rotations native to IBM Q)

Change of basis

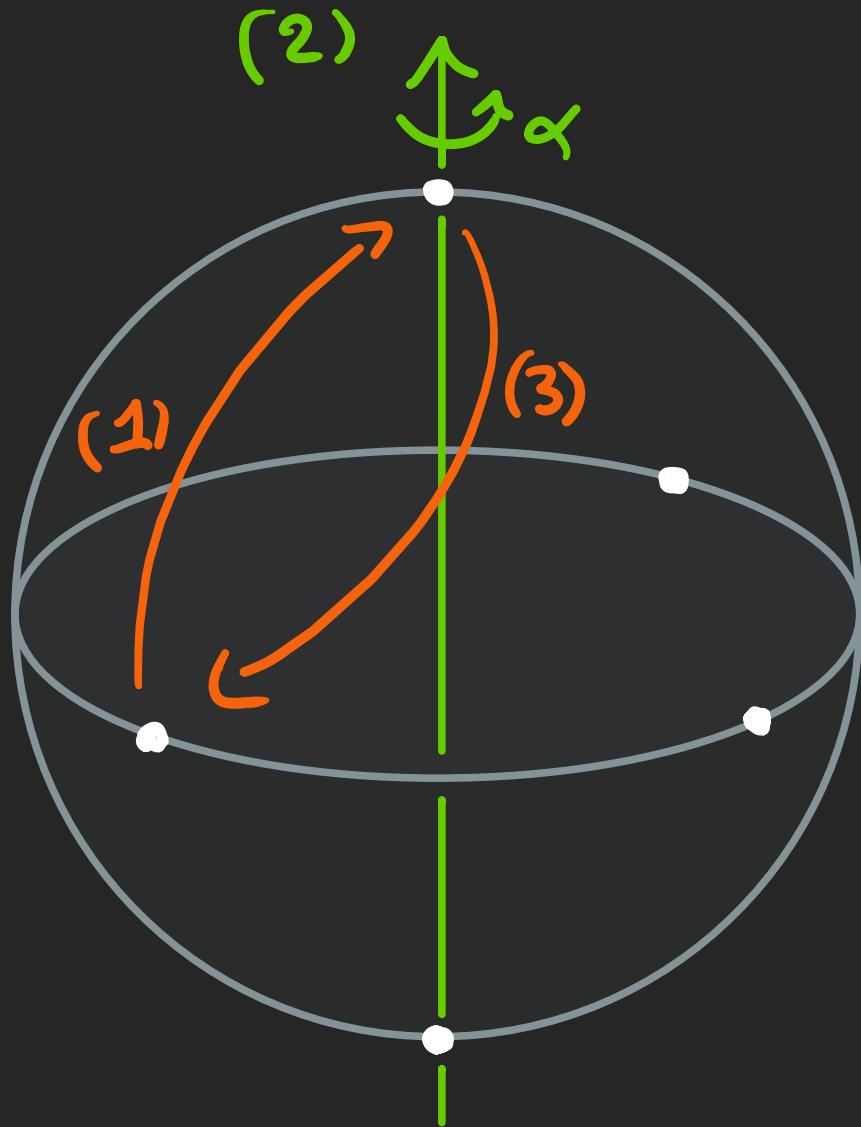
$$-\boxed{1} + \boxed{2} - \boxed{3} = -\alpha$$



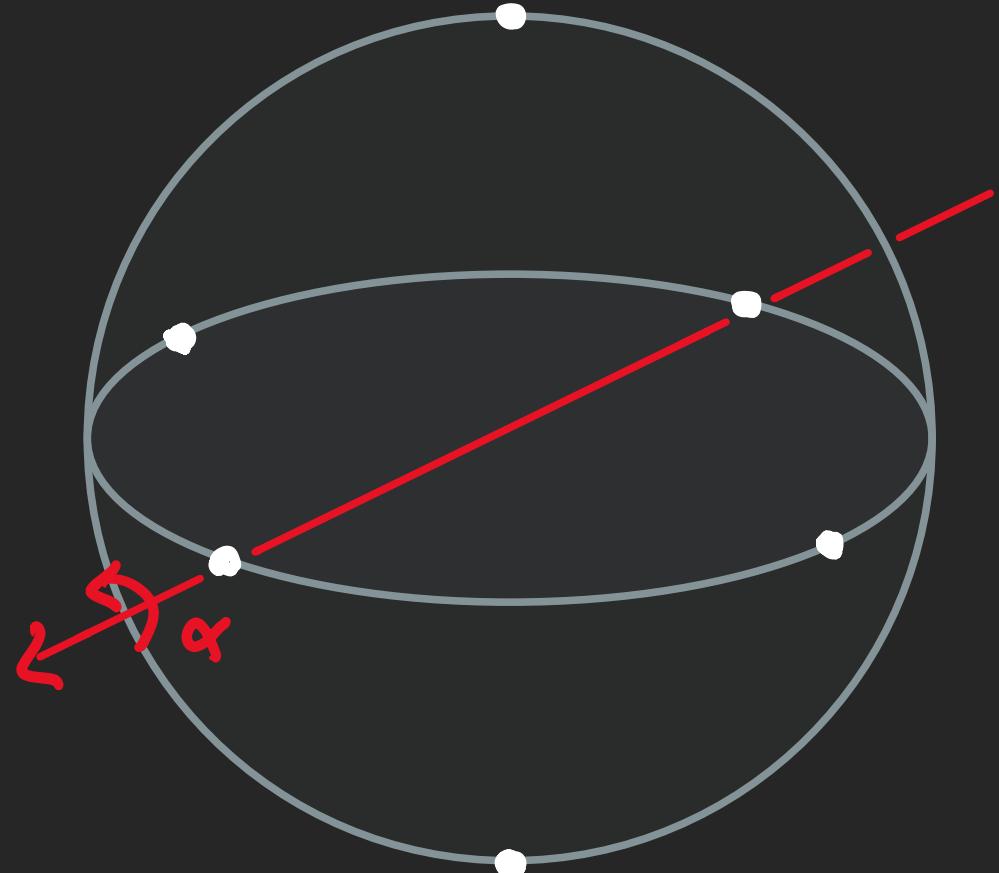
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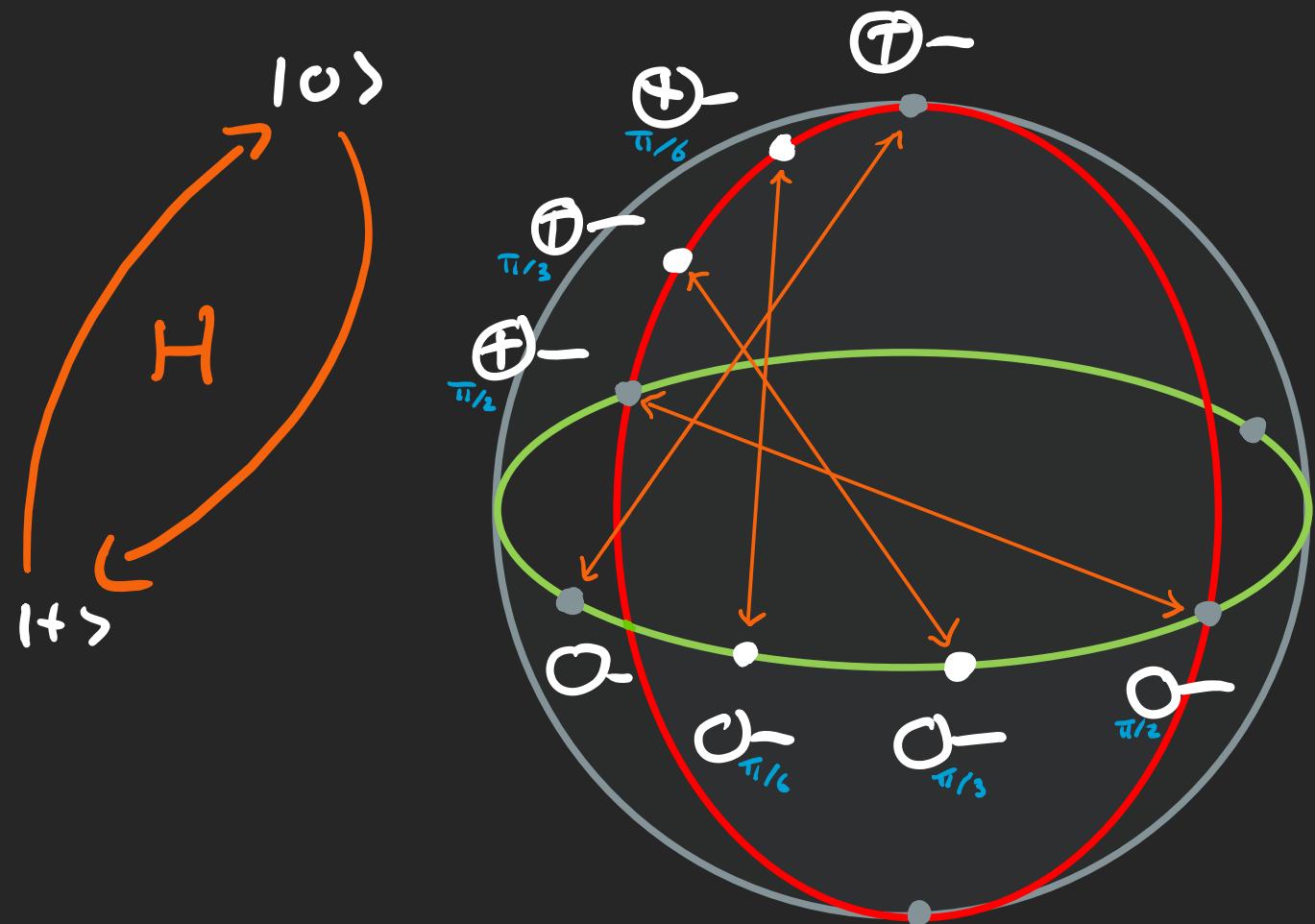


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$$-\boxed{H} - \overset{2}{O} - \boxed{H} - = -\underset{\alpha}{\oplus}$$

Change of basis



$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} + \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \boxed{H} \begin{pmatrix} - \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ - \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \boxed{H} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ + \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} + \\ + \end{pmatrix}$$

Change of basis

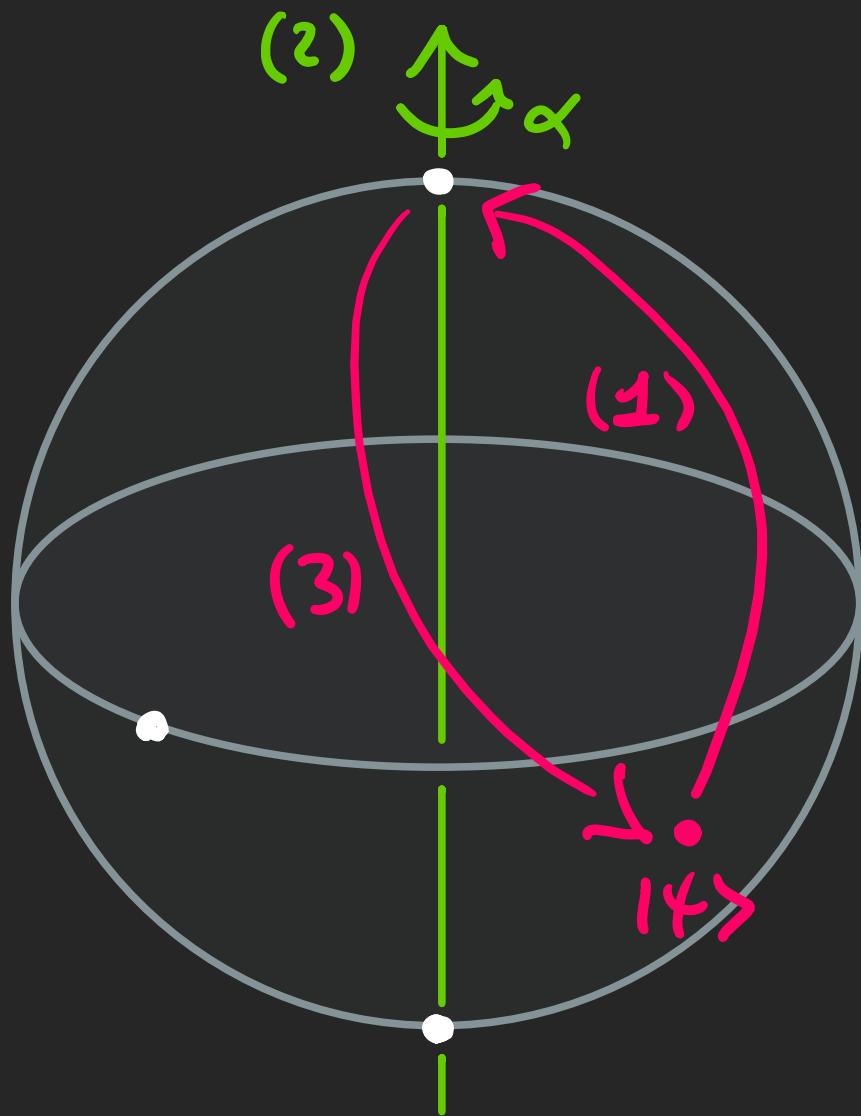
$$\frac{1}{2} \oplus \begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\ \boxed{\text{H}} \end{array} = \frac{1}{2} \circ$$

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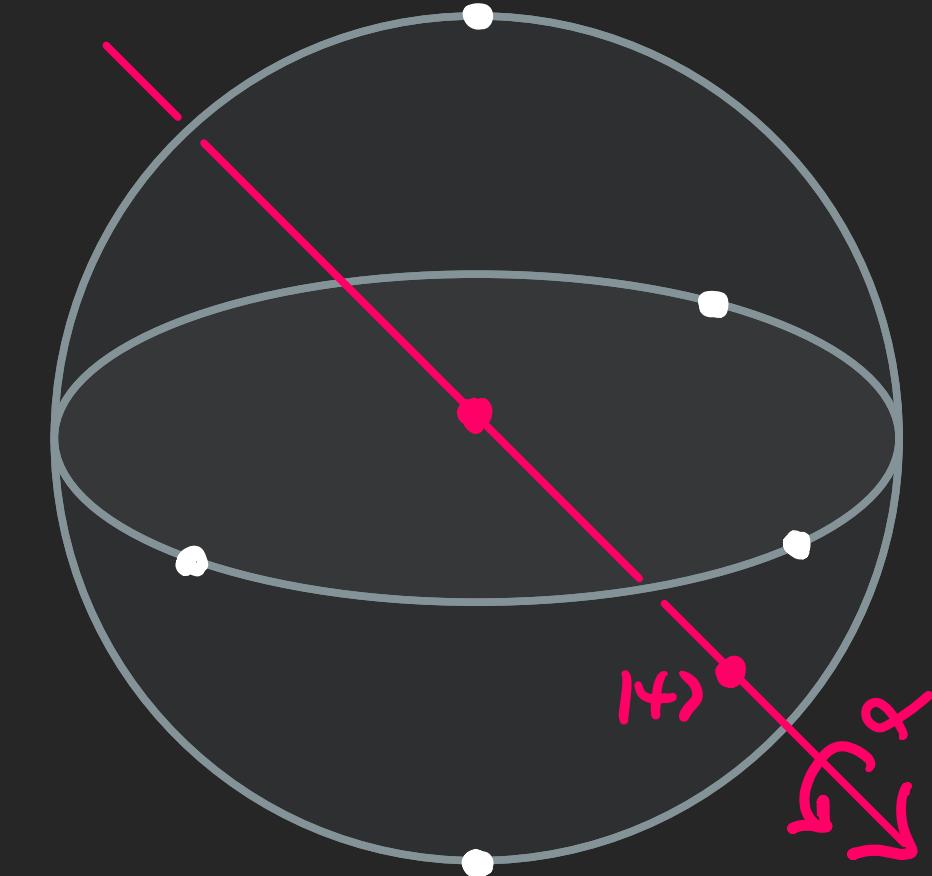
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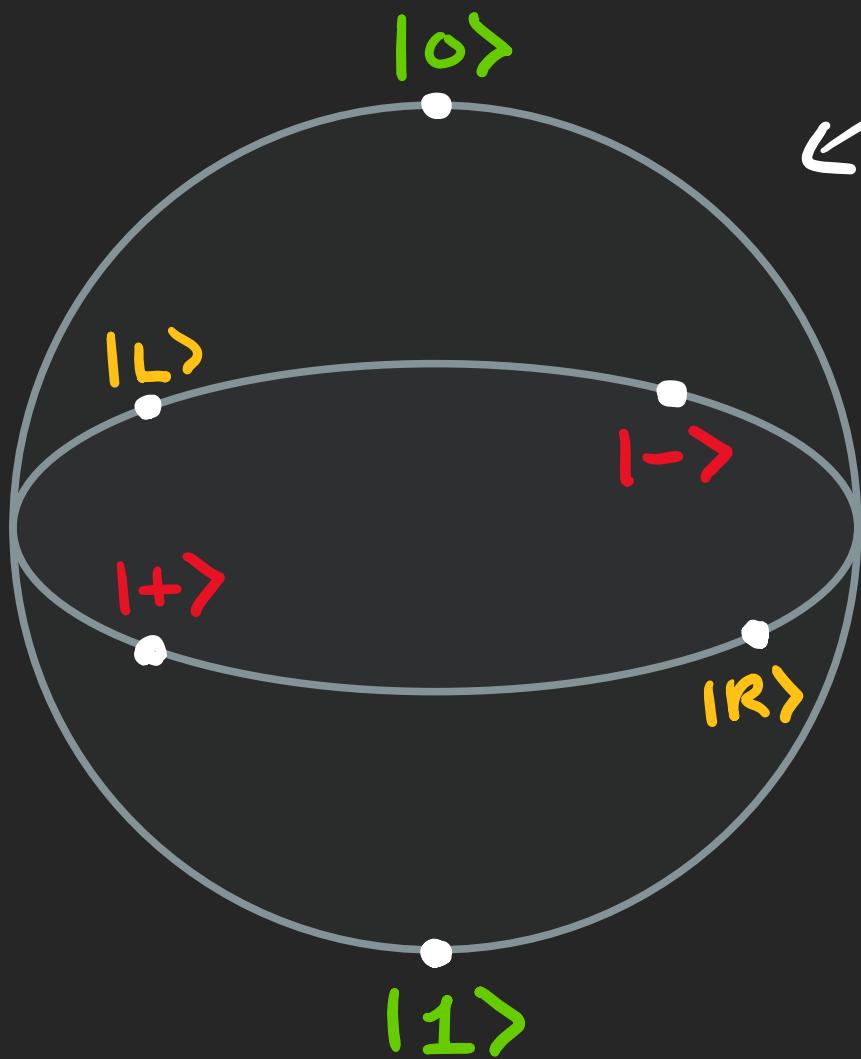


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$$-\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \alpha^+ \\ \alpha^- \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\begin{bmatrix} R_{\alpha}(\alpha) \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\frac{1}{2} \oplus \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = |1+\rangle$$

Clifford Rotations



The 6 stabilizer states

Rotations by $\frac{\pi}{2}$ about x, y, z permute the stabilizer states, as do all of their combinations:

Clifford Rotations

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Qubit rotations are characterised by where they send any two non-antipodal points of the sphere, e.g. $|0\rangle$ and $|+\rangle$.

This gives an easy way to count the Clifford rotations

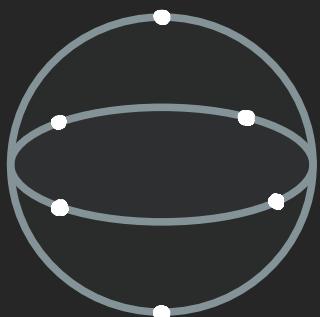
1. Send $|0\rangle$ to any one of the 6 stabiliser states.
2. Then $|1\rangle$ is automatically sent to the antipodal point (because rotations are “rigid”).
3. Send $|+\rangle$ to any one of the 4 remaining stabiliser states.

There are thus $6 \cdot 4 = 24$ Clifford rotations.

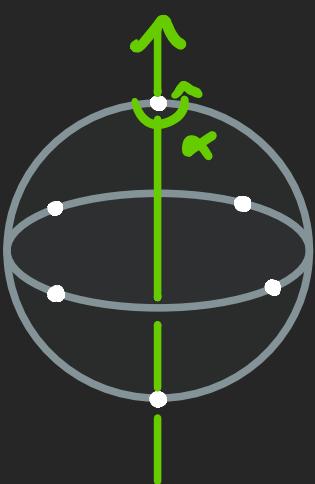
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There are 24 Clifford Rotations in total:

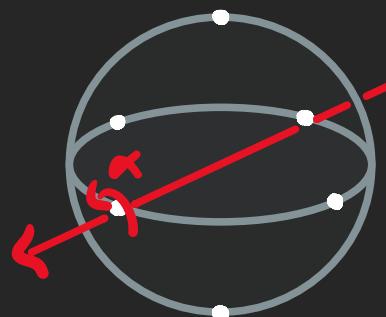
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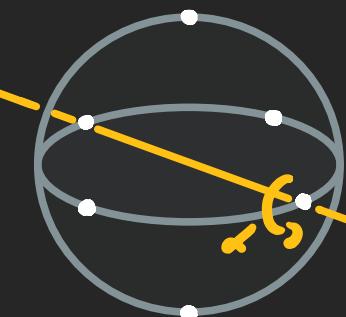
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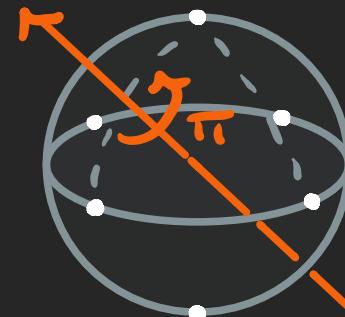
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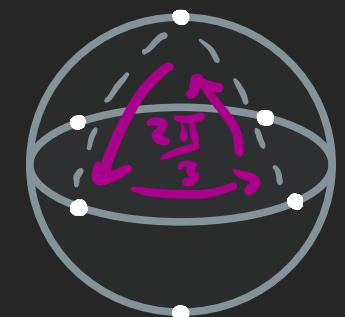
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6x



8x



Identity

Z rotations

$$\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

X rotations

$$\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

Y rotations

$$\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, -\frac{\pi}{2}$$

Hadamard
(+5 similar)

Octahedral
(+7 similar)