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mnemonics

$$\sin A = \frac{a}{h}$$

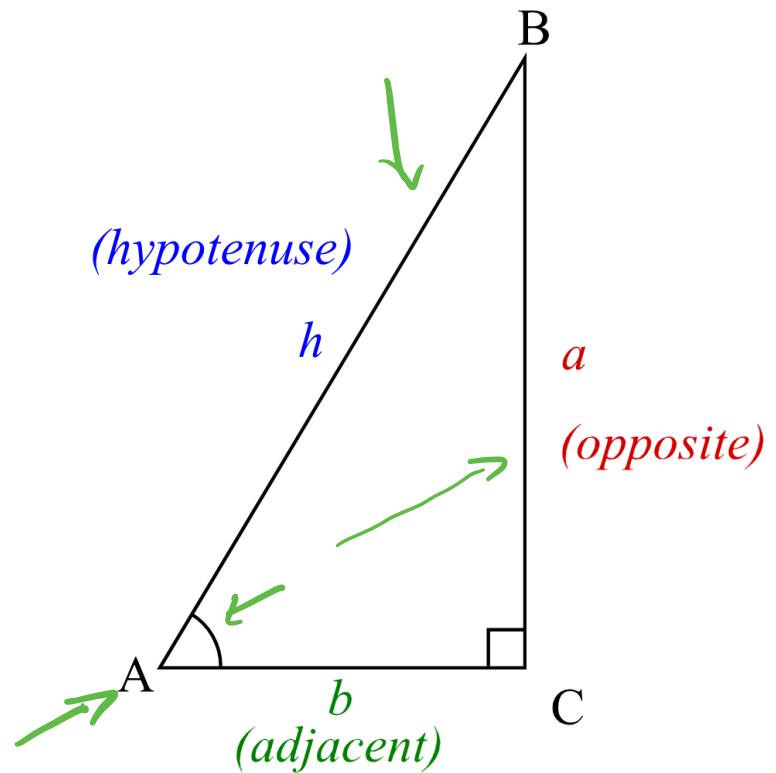
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$$\cos A = \frac{b}{h}$$

CAH

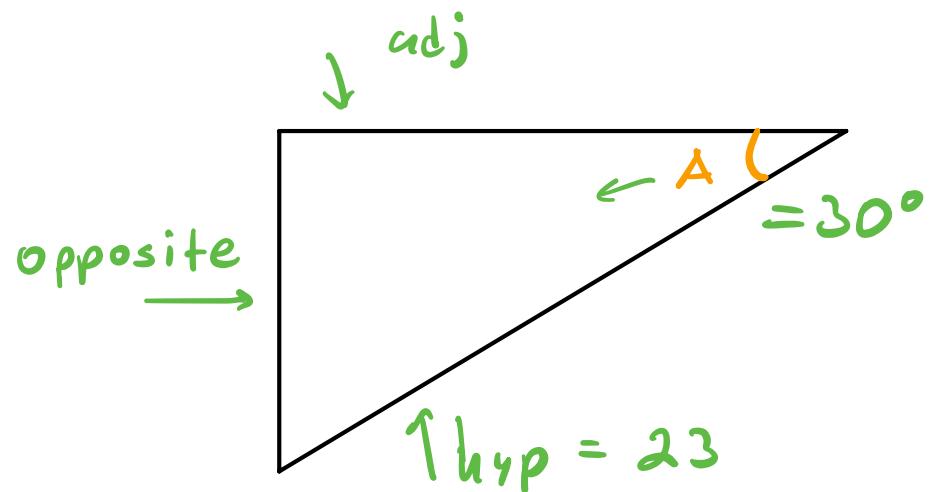
$$\tan A = \frac{a}{b}$$

TOA



Trigonometry (quick review)

```
from math import sin, cos, tan, pi  
  
A = 30 # degrees  
hyp = 23  
  
A_rad = A * pi/180 # radians  
  
adj = hyp * cos(A_rad)
```



$$CAH \rightarrow \cos(A) = \frac{adj}{hyp}$$

$$\hookrightarrow adj = \frac{hyp}{\cos(A)} = \frac{23}{\cos(30^\circ)} = 19.92$$

Complex Numbers

$$\rightarrow z = a + bi \quad \begin{matrix} \text{real} \\ \text{imaginary} \end{matrix} \quad \in \mathbb{C} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{set of} \\ \text{complex} \end{matrix}$$

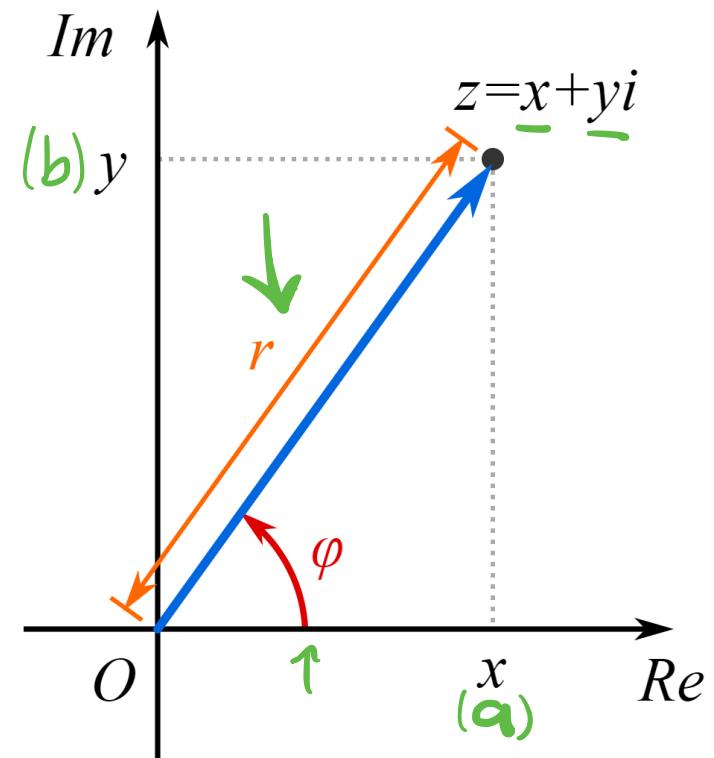
\uparrow belongs to

$$i^2 = -1 \rightarrow i = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$a, b \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow 2D$$

$$\text{complex conjugate: } \bar{z} = z^* = a - bi$$

$$z = r e^{i\varphi} \quad \leftarrow \text{polar form}$$



Complex Numbers

```
z1 = 3+2j
print(z1)
z2 = complex(3,2)
print(z2)
z3 = 5j
print(z3)
z4 = complex(0,5)
print(z4)
```

$$i \xrightarrow{\text{Python}} j$$
$$z_1 = z_2$$

```
z1 = 3+2j
z2 = 4+5j
print('z1=', z1, 'z2=', z2)
print('z1+z2=', z1+z2)
print('z1-z2=', z1-z2)
print('z1*z2=', z1*z2)
print('z1/z2=', z1/z2)
```

```
z = 3+2j
print('real part of 3+2j:', z.real)
print('imaginary part of 3+2j:', z.imag)
print('conjugate of 3+2j:', z.conjugate())
print('absolute value of 3+2j:', abs(z))
print('(3+2j)^3:', pow(z,3))
```

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calculate ↗

Vectors

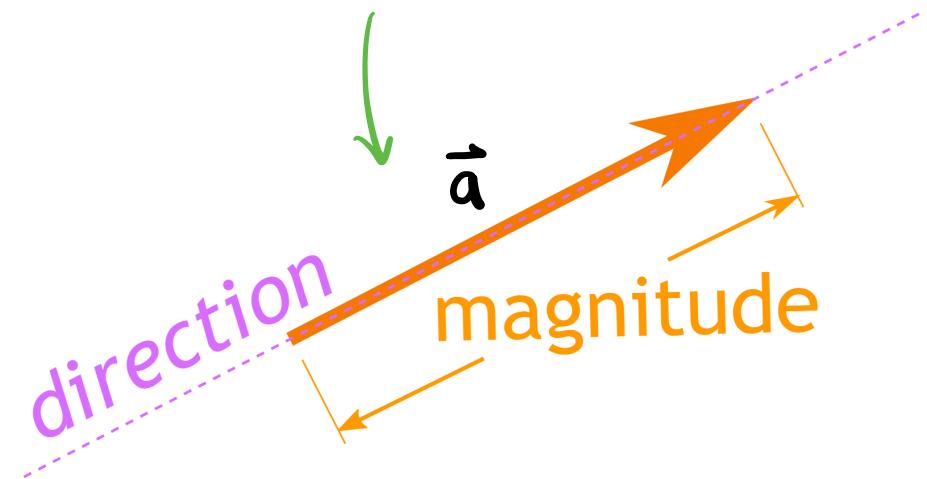
$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

column vector

$$a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$
$$\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4 \in \mathbb{C}$$



$$\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

1 column
n rows

Norm

$$\|\vec{x}\| = \sqrt{\underline{x}_1 \underline{x}_1 + x_2 x_2 + \cdots + x_n x_n} = r$$
$$= \sqrt{\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}}$$

\uparrow dot product

$$= |\vec{x}|$$

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{3(3) + 2(2) + 4(4)} = \sqrt{29} = 5.38$$

Matrices

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} n_{11} & n_{12} \\ n_{21} & n_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

2x2

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\longrightarrow n \text{ columns}$

$m \text{ rows}$

Operations: Vector & Matrices

$$N\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} n_{11} & n_{12} \\ n_{21} & n_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} n_{11}a_1 + n_{12}a_2 \\ n_{21}a_1 + n_{22}a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\overset{2 \times 2}{\nearrow} \quad \quad \quad \overset{2 \times 1}{\nearrow} \quad = \quad \quad \quad 2 \times 1$$

$$(m \times n) \underset{=}{\overset{\curvearrowright}{\times}} (n \times p) = (m \times p)$$

$$\vec{v} \vec{u} = ?$$

$$\underset{\neq}{\swarrow} \quad \quad \quad (1 \times n) \quad (1 \times n)$$

Transpose

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{column vector}} \vec{a}^T = (a_1 \quad a_2) \xrightarrow{\text{row vector}} 1 \times 2$$

$$\vec{v}^T \vec{u} \checkmark$$

$(n \times 1) \underbrace{(1 \times n)}_{\checkmark} = (n \times n)$

$$\vec{v} \vec{u}^T$$

$(1 \times n) \underbrace{(n \times 1)}_{\checkmark} = 1 \times 1$

$$\vec{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{R}} A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

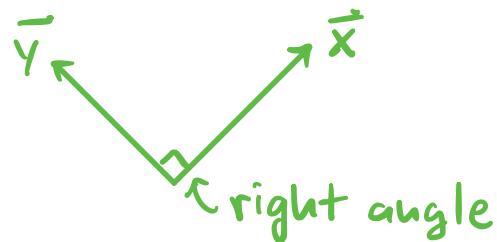
Dot Product

(scalar product or inner product)

$$\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k$$

$$= \underbrace{x_1 y_1}_{\text{---}} + \underbrace{x_2 y_2}_{\text{---}} + \underbrace{x_3 y_3}_{\text{---}} + \cdots + \underbrace{x_n y_n}_{\text{---}}$$

Note if $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = 0$ ^{then} \vec{x} and \vec{y} are orthogonal to each other



Tensor Product

$$A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B & \cdots & a_{1n}B \\ \vdots & & \\ a_{m1}B & \cdots & a_{mn}B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \otimes \vec{b} &= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ a_2 & \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 b_1 \\ a_1 b_2 \\ a_2 b_1 \\ a_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$2n \times 1$

$$C \otimes D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} & 2 & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ & & 3 & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} & 4 & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 4 & 10 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 \\ 6 & 15 & 8 & 20 \\ 3 & 9 & 4 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Vectors & Matrices with Python

```
→ a = [3, -1, 5]           # vector
→ A = [
    [ 1 ,  2 , -3],
    [-6 ,  5 ,  4],
    [ 9 , 10 , 11],
    [ 7 , -8 ,  3],
]
→ # A * a
result_A_a = []

rows_A = len(A)
cols_A = len(A[0])
rows_a = len(a)
→ for i in range(rows_A):
    result_A_a.append(0)
→ for j in range(rows_a):
    result_A_a[i] += A[i][j] * a[j]
```

```
→ import numpy as np
→ a = np.array([3, -1, 5])           # vector
→ A = np.array([
    [ 1 ,  2 , -3],
    [-6 ,  5 ,  4],
    [ 9 , 10 , 11],
    [ 7 , -8 ,  3],
])
→ # A * a
res_A_a = A.dot(a)
```

Dirac Notation (bra-ket notation)

shorter notation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = |c\rangle$$

$a_i \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}_{n \times 1} = \underbrace{\langle a|}_{\text{ket}}$$

Paul Dirac

Take
 - transpose
 - conjugate $\Rightarrow (\bar{a}_1^* \bar{a}_2^* \dots \bar{a}_n^*) = \langle a|$

$$\vec{b} = |b\rangle \rightarrow \langle b|$$

inner product :

$$\underbrace{\langle b|a\rangle}_{\text{bra-ket}} = c \quad \leftarrow \text{single number}$$

can also do:
 $\langle a|a\rangle$

$$(1 \times n) (n \times 1) = 1 \times 1$$

Example

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+i \\ 2-3i \\ 3+2i \end{pmatrix} = |a\rangle \quad \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = |b\rangle$$

$$\langle a| = (1-i \quad 2+3i \quad 3-2i)$$

$$\langle a|b\rangle = (1-i \quad 2+3i \quad 3-2i) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 1-i + 4+6i + 3-2i$$

$$= 8-3i \quad \in \mathbb{C}$$

(single number)

Hilbert Space

$$\underline{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2$$

- Vector space :
 - elements \leftarrow vectors
 - addition
 - product by scalar



- Hilbert space : vector space + inner product

\mathcal{H}

- finite dimension
- $|a\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d$
- $|a\rangle$ normalized

$$\downarrow \\ \text{length} = 1$$

addition:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

product by scalar:

$$c \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ca_1 \\ ca_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

↑ also is
same
vector
space

inner product:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2$$

for Quantum Computing

$$\underbrace{d = 2^n}_{n > 0}$$

Qubit \rightarrow two-level quantum mechanical system

\downarrow
when $n=1$

$$d = 2^n$$

$$|\Psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_2$$

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \mathbb{C}^2$$

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

$\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$ computational basis

$$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$$

normalization

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

$$|\Psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

if needed, do:

$$\frac{|\Psi\rangle}{\| |\Psi\rangle \|} = |\Psi\rangle_{\text{normalized}}$$

- A qubit is the basic unit of information in quantum computing

Postulates of Quantum Mechanics

P1: How to describe states of quantum systems

The state of a system is described by a unit vector in a Hilbert space \mathcal{H}

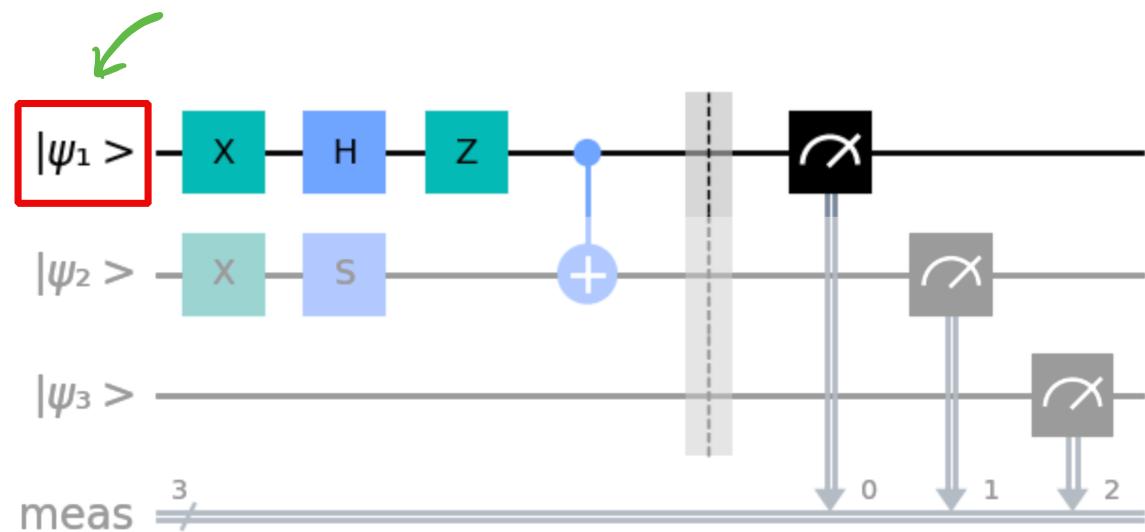
→ definition of qubit

$$|\phi_1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = |0\rangle$$

$$|\phi_2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$|\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|^2 + |\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|^2 = 1$$



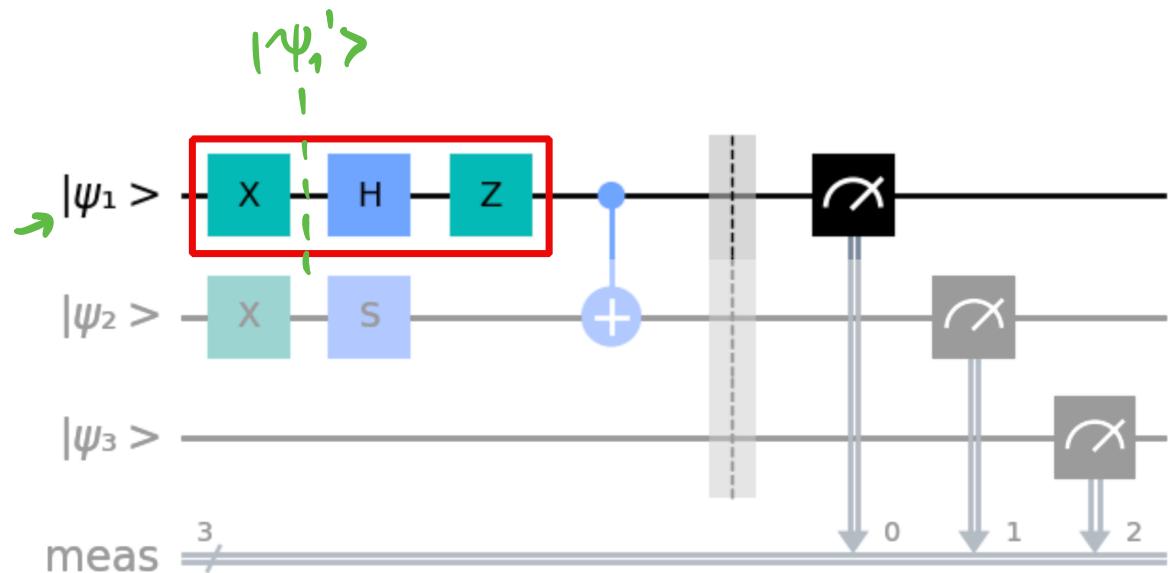
P2: How quantum states evolve

$$\xleftarrow{\text{matrix or operator}} M |a\rangle = |b\rangle$$

The time-evolution of the state of a closed quantum system is described by a unitary operator U ↙ quantum gate

→ a quantum system changes over time

$$X |\Psi_1\rangle = |\Psi_1'\rangle$$



P3: How to extract information from quantum systems

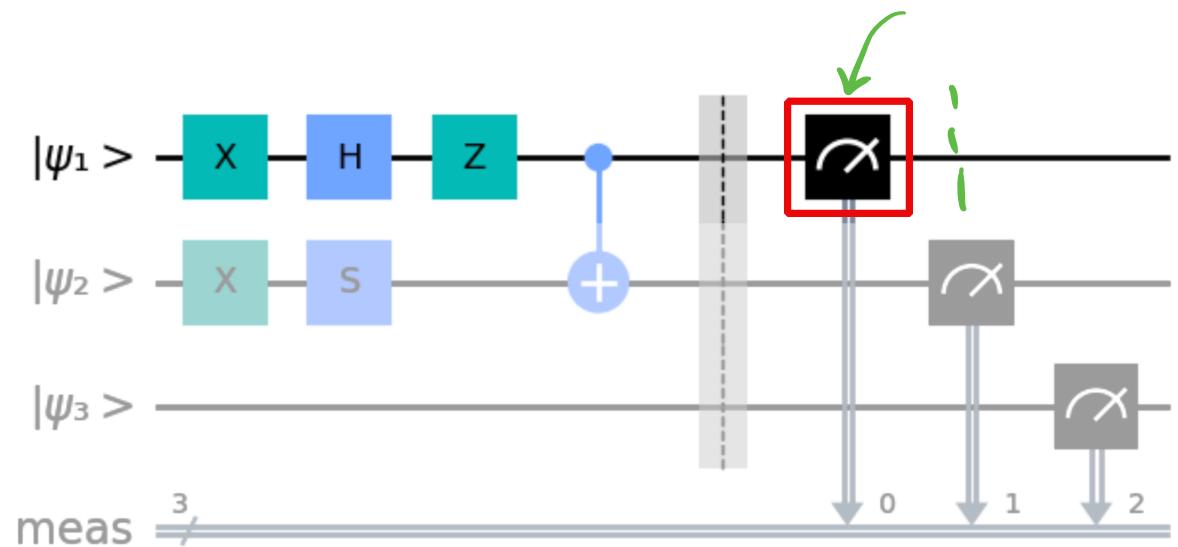
The measurements of quantum states are probabilistic

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} p(0) &= |\alpha|^2 \\ p(1) &= |\beta|^2 \\ &= 1 - |\alpha|^2 \end{aligned}$$

α, β : probability amplitudes



P4: How to combine quantum systems

The tensor product defines the resulting system from the combination of other quantum systems

$$|\phi_1\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2 \quad |\phi_2\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2 \Rightarrow |\phi_1\rangle \otimes |\phi_2\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^{\frac{4}{2}} = \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle \otimes |\psi_3\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^{2^3}$$

$\# \text{qubits} = 3$

