

# Warm-up!

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# Circuit-Based Quantum Computing

## Lecture 1

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# Getting to know you!

How many of you have taken a university-level quantum computing course before?

# Getting to know me!

- From Waterloo, Canada

Trivia:

What does Waterloo have in common with the Helsinki area?

# Waterloo



# Helsinki / Espoo



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September 2016: BlackBerry stops making phones (focus on software)

January 2022: BlackBerry phones no longer work (including 911 calls!)

# Getting to know me!

- Undergrad from University of Waterloo (Math, Physics & Biology)
- Took my first quantum computing course decades ago
- Undergrad thesis was with Ray Laflamme (Director of IQC)
- Also undergrad research with Bob Le Roy (quantum chem)



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A DPF data analysis yields accurate analytic potentials for  $\text{Li}_2(a^3\Sigma_u^+)$  and  $\text{Li}_2(1^3\Sigma_g^+)$  that incorporate 3-state mixing near the  $1^3\Sigma_g^+$  state asymptote

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## Morse/Long-range potential

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **Morse/Long-range potential** (MLR potential) is an [interatomic interaction model](#) for the [potential energy](#) of a [diatomic molecule](#).

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  - Max Planck Institute for Solid-State Research, **Germany**
  - Jilin University, **China**
  - McMaster University, **Canada** (Banting Fellow)
  - National Research Council, **Canada**
  - University of Waterloo, **Canada**
- Director of HPQC Labs in Waterloo, and UW council member

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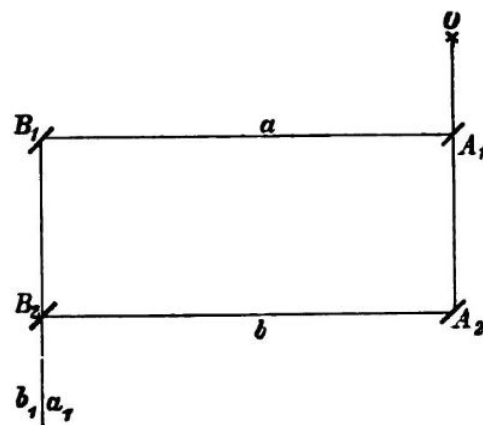


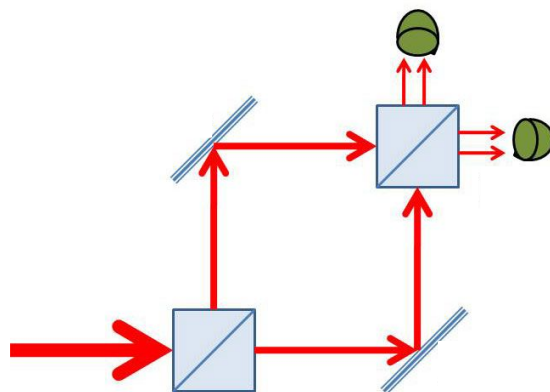
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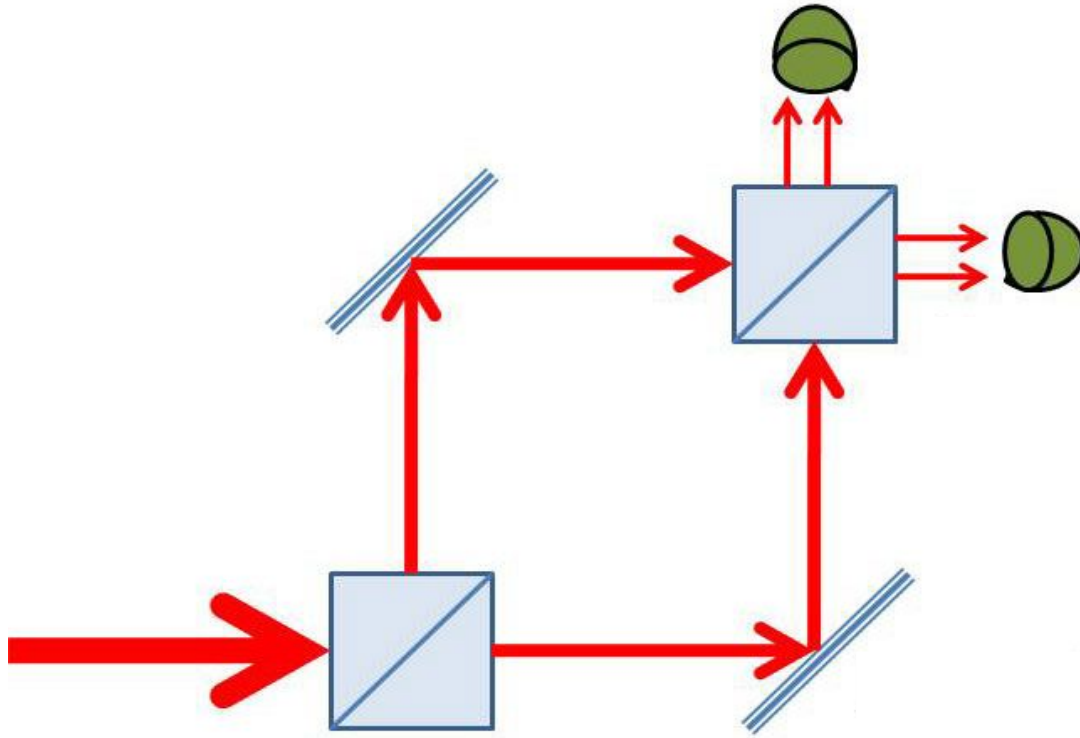
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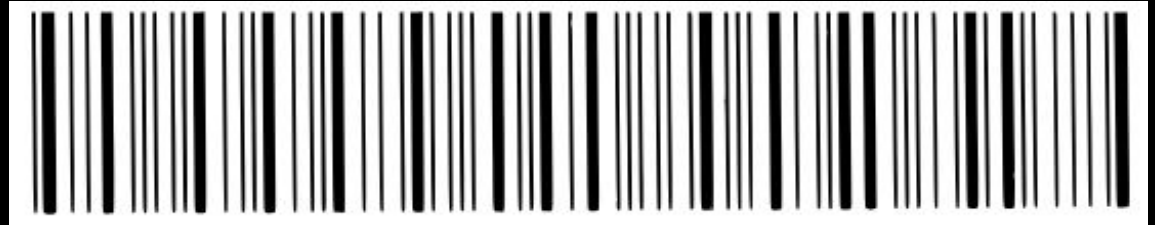
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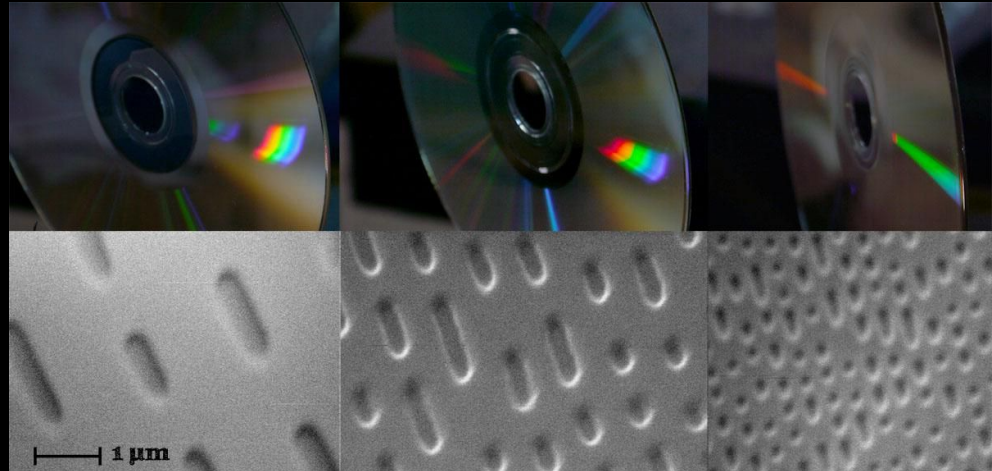
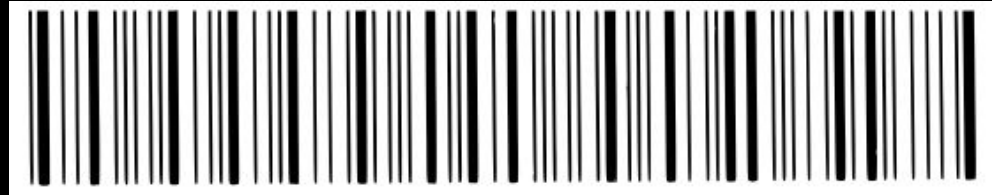
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CD

DVD

Blu-ray

# Hard Drive

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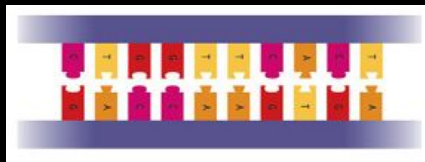


# DNA Storage

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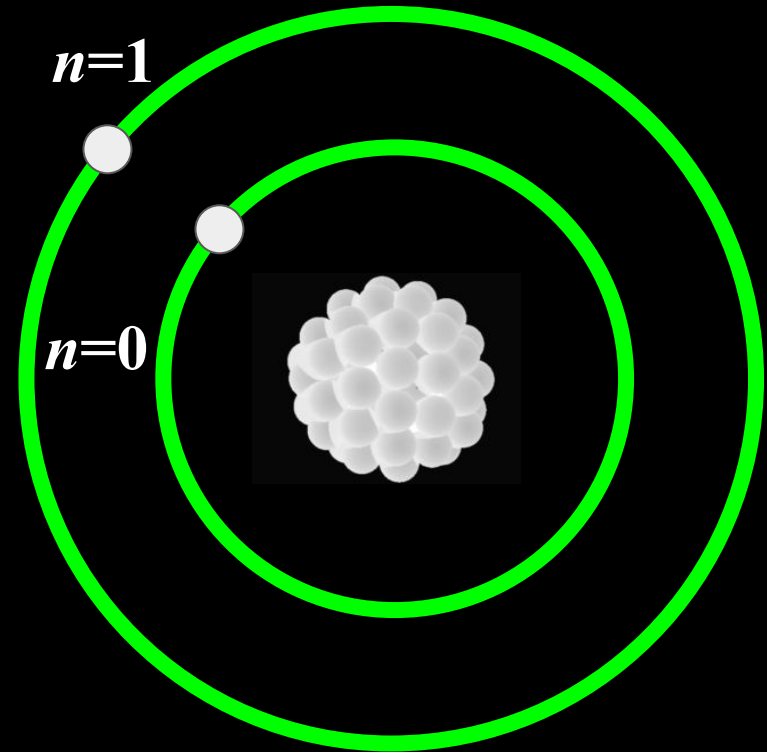
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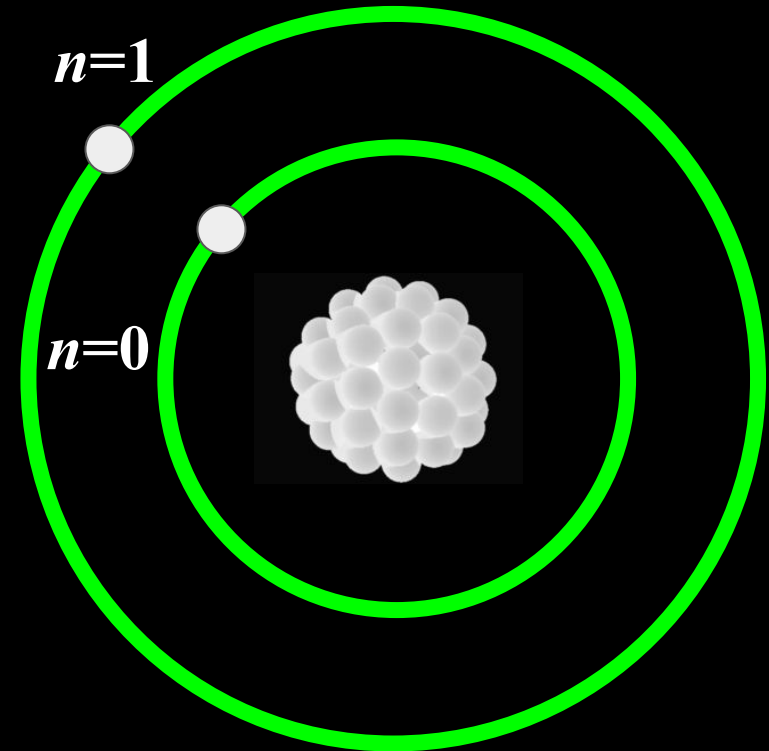
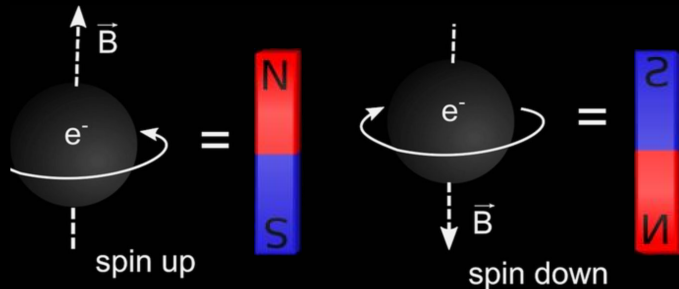
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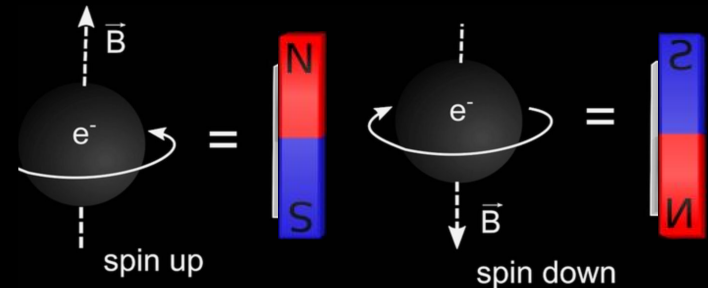
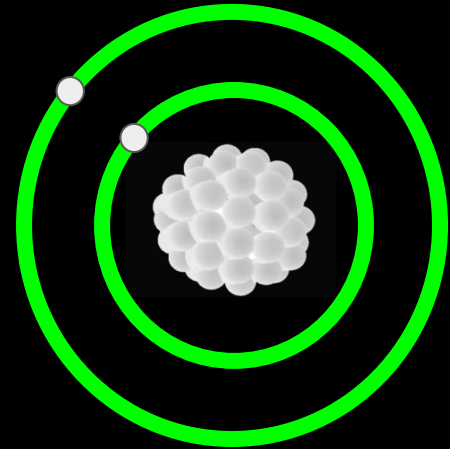




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- **Many more possibilities!**



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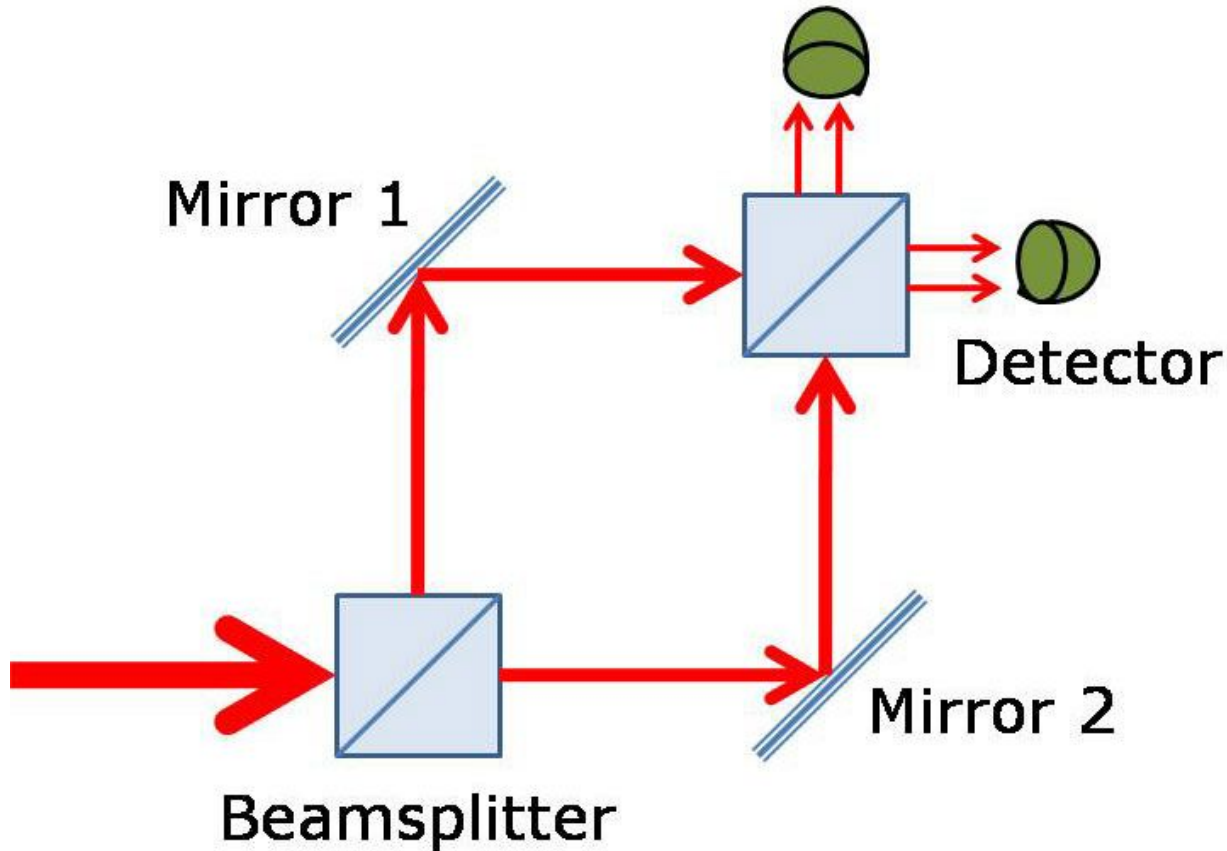
# More logic gates than classical computers!

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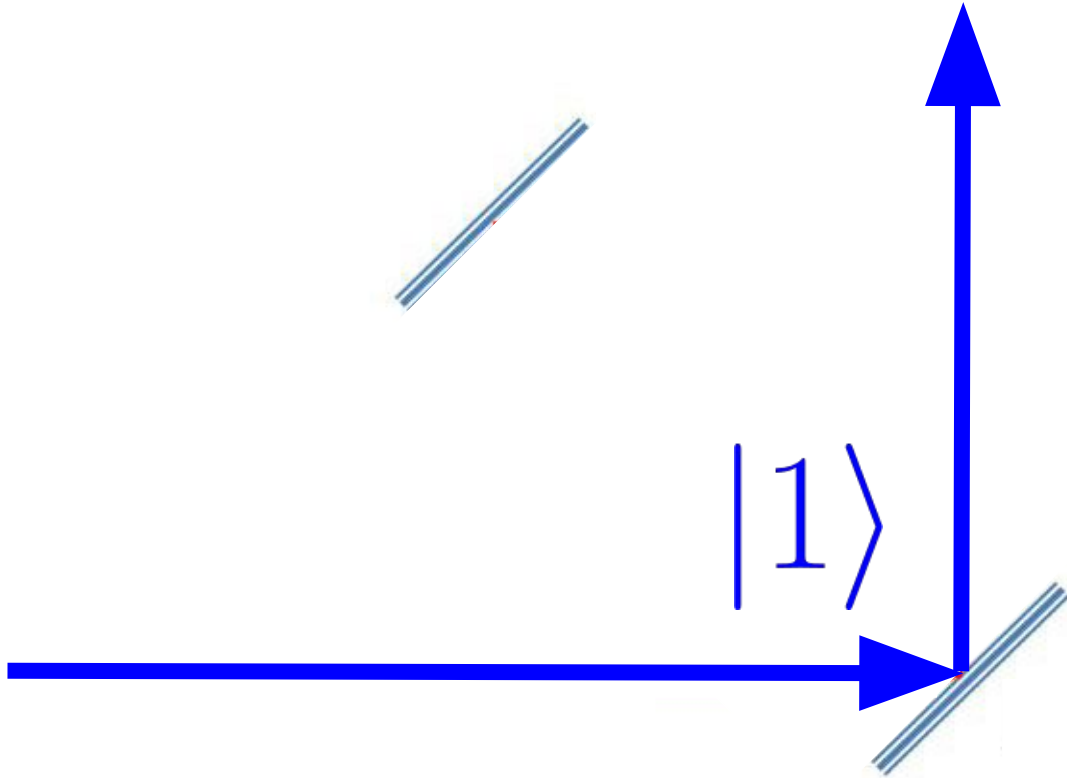
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad Z = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad M = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

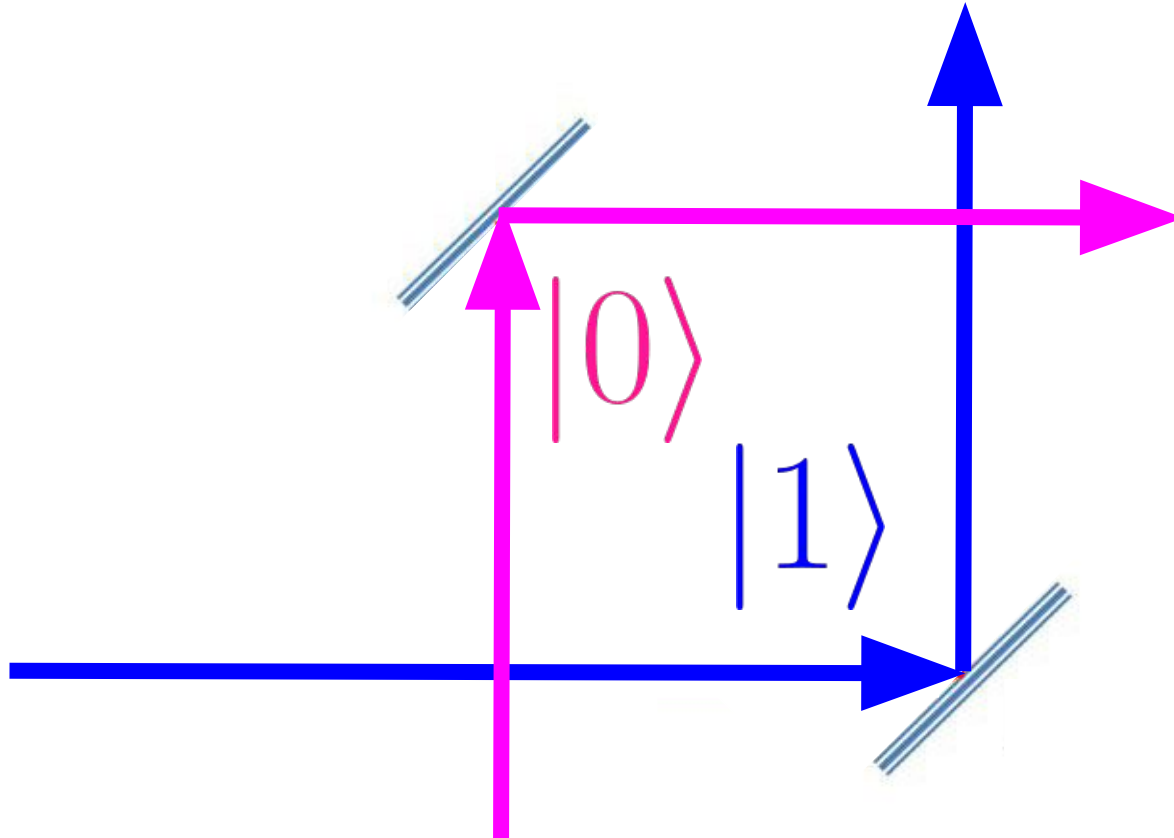
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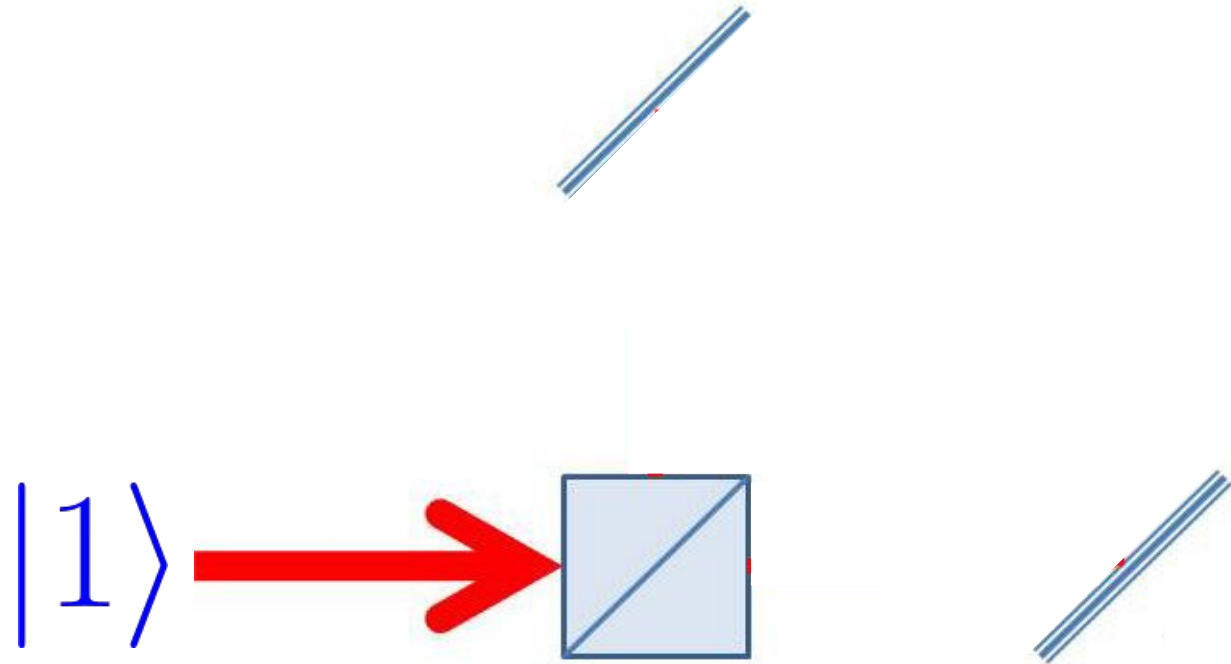


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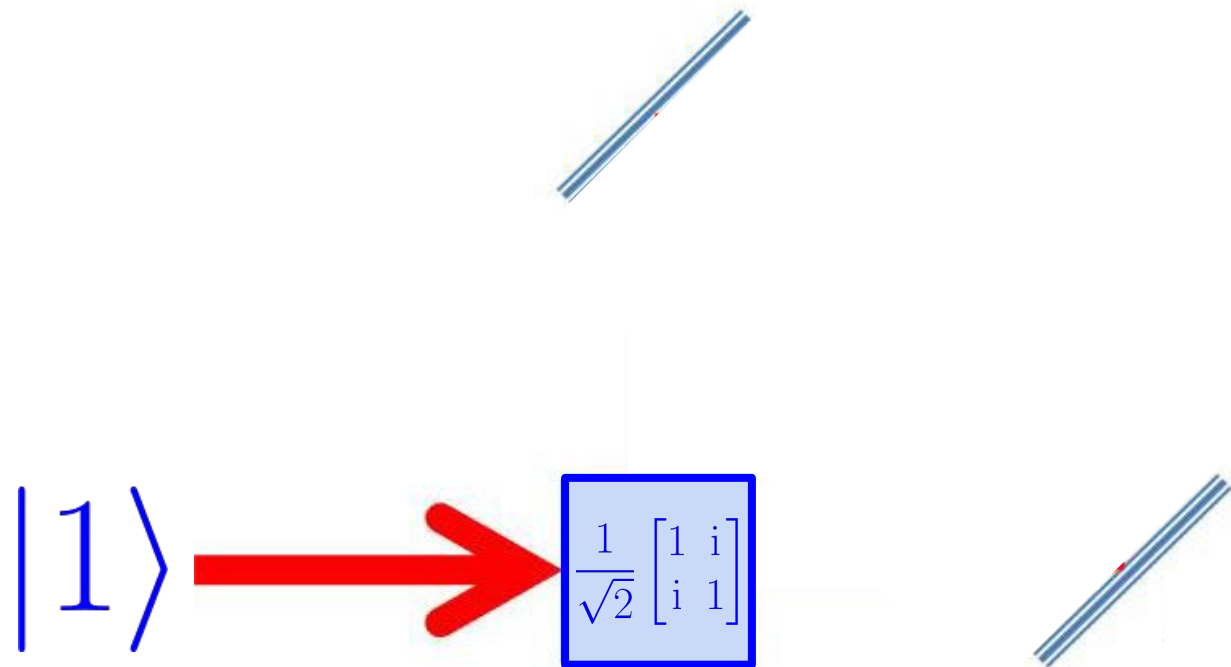




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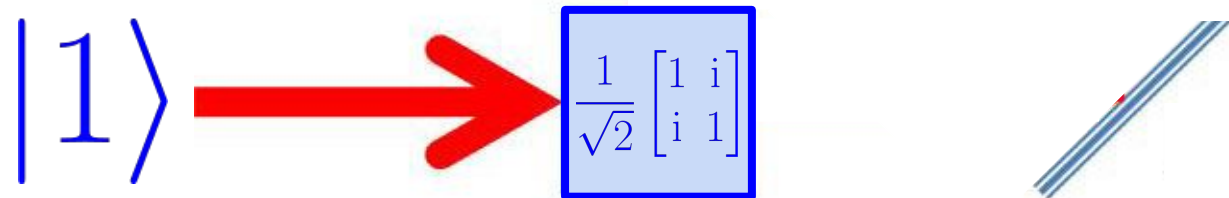


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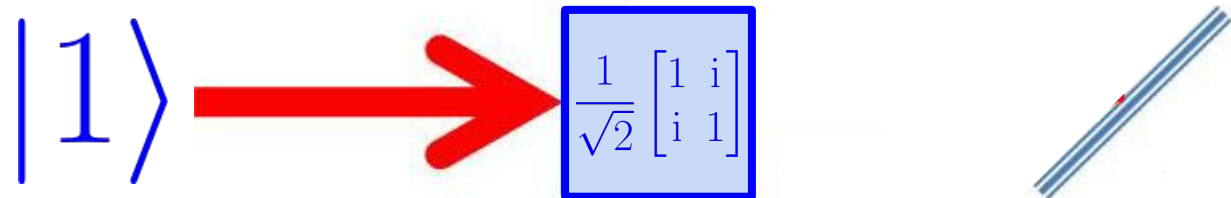
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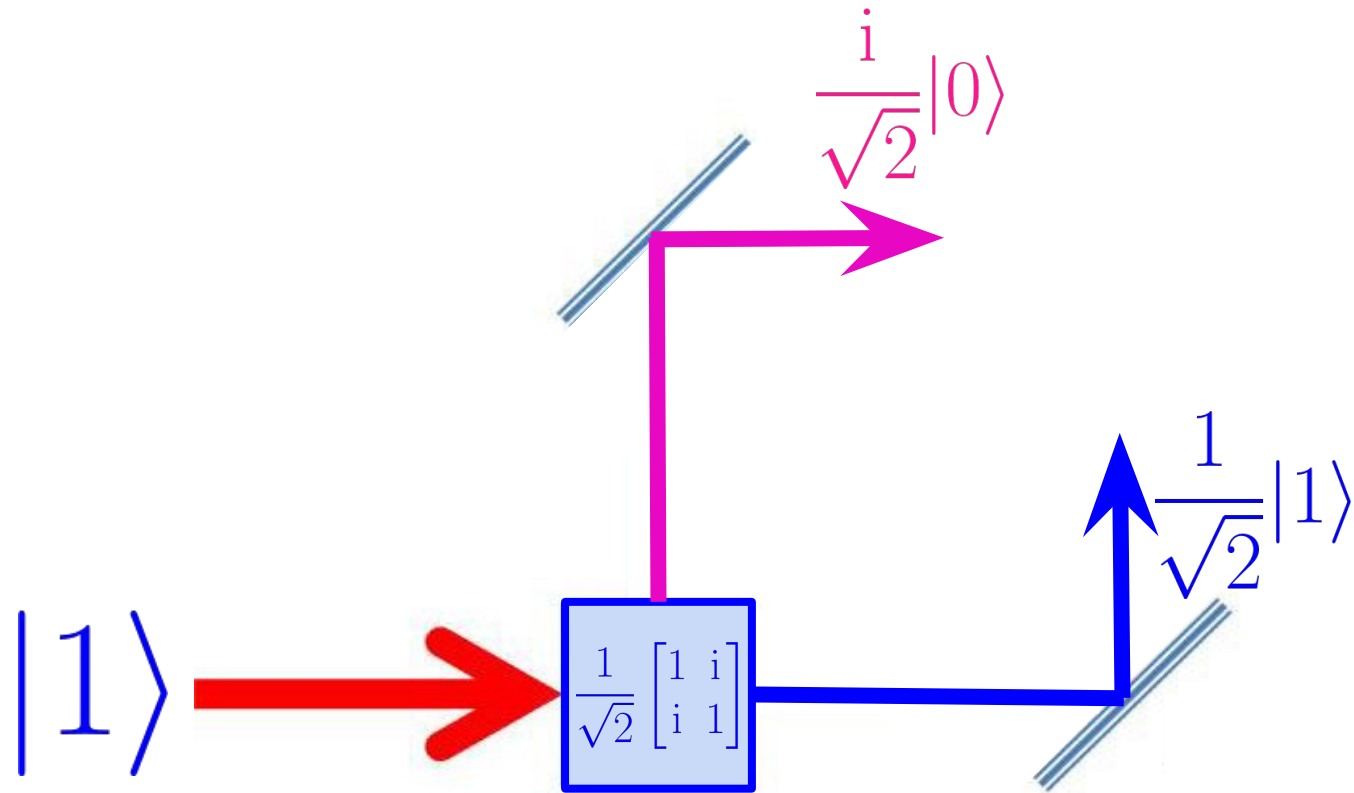


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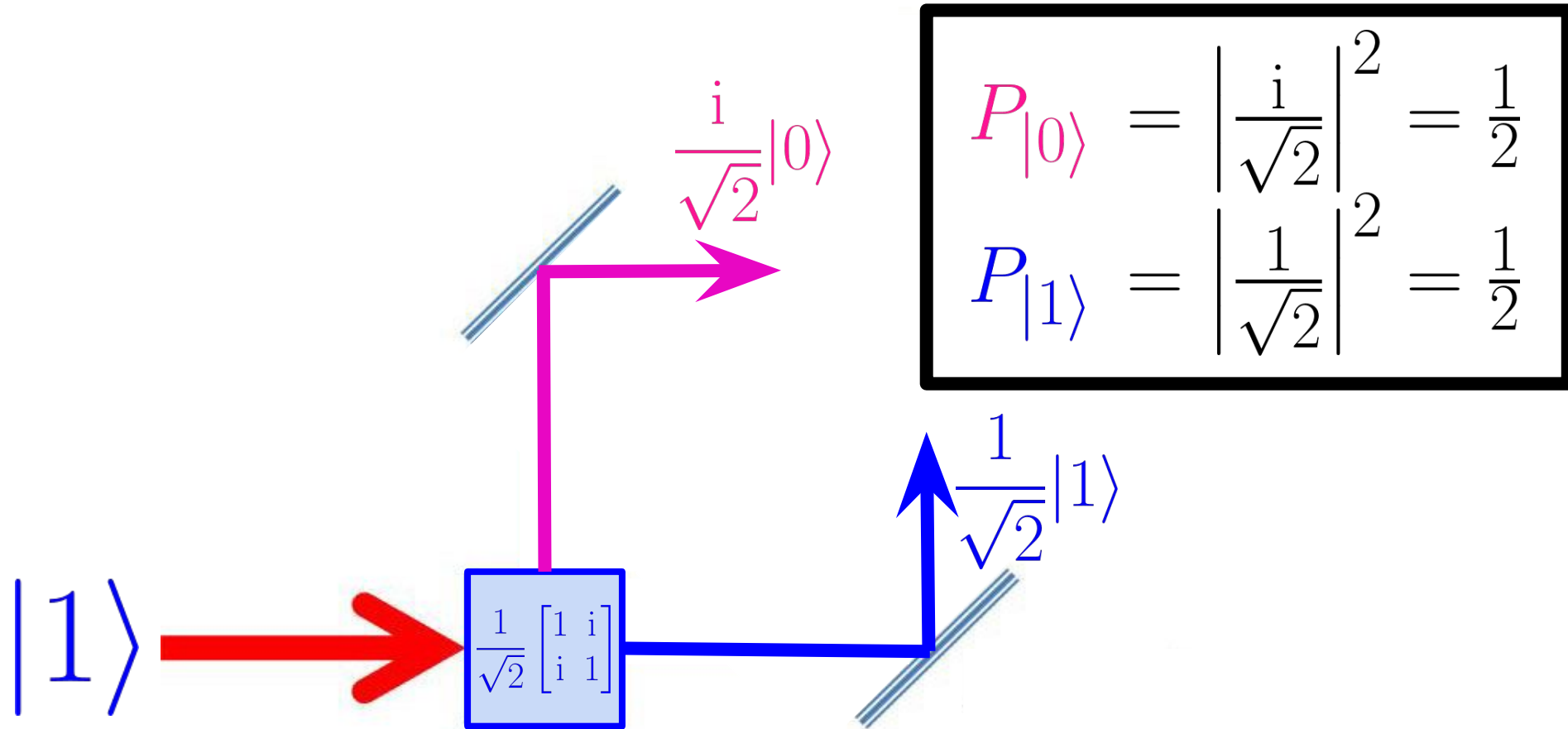
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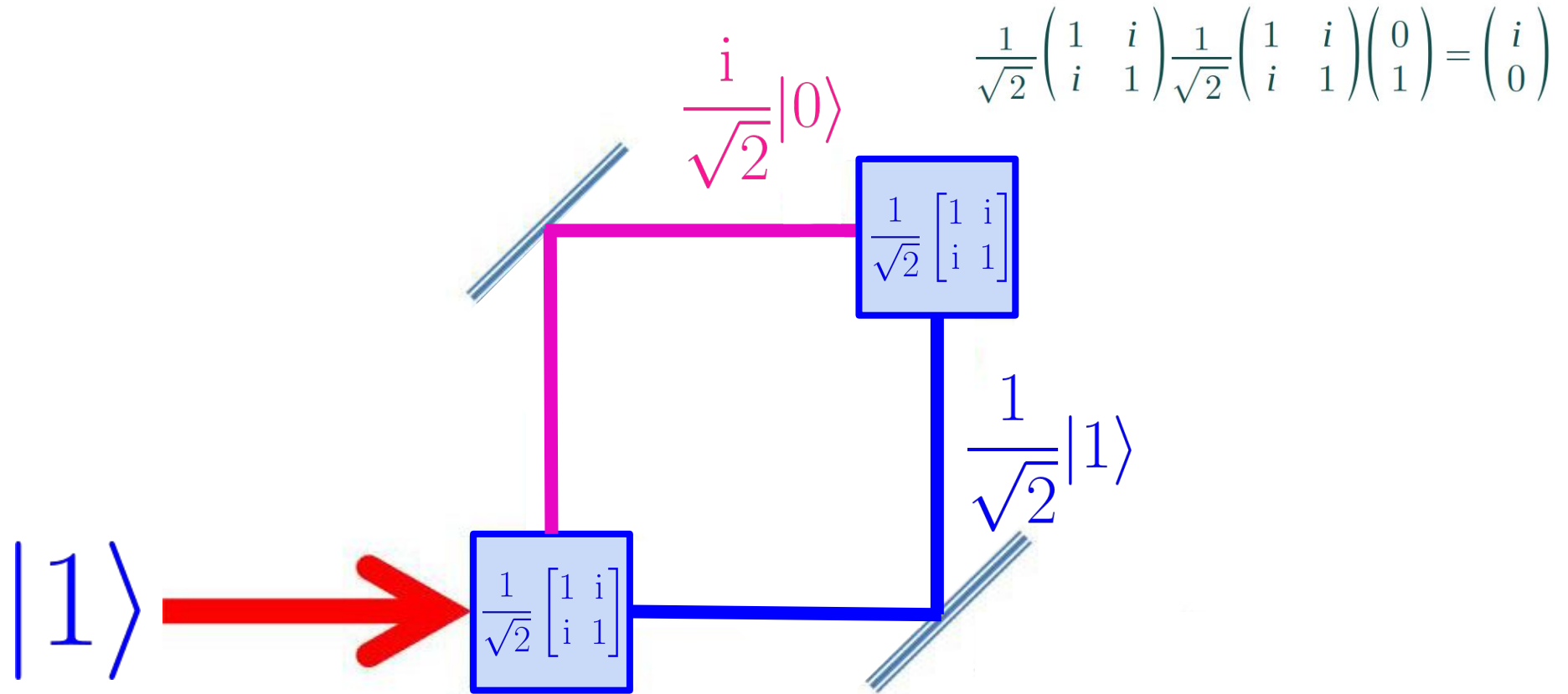
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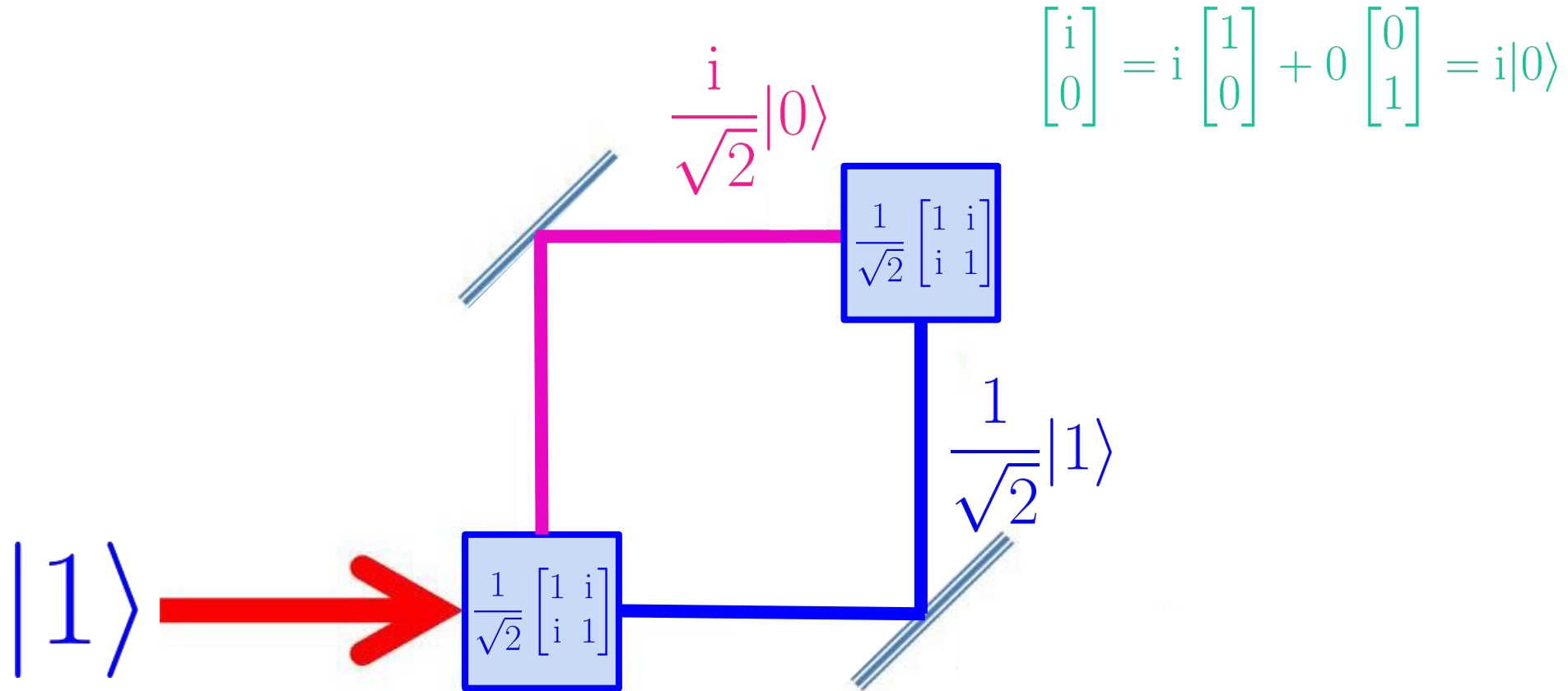
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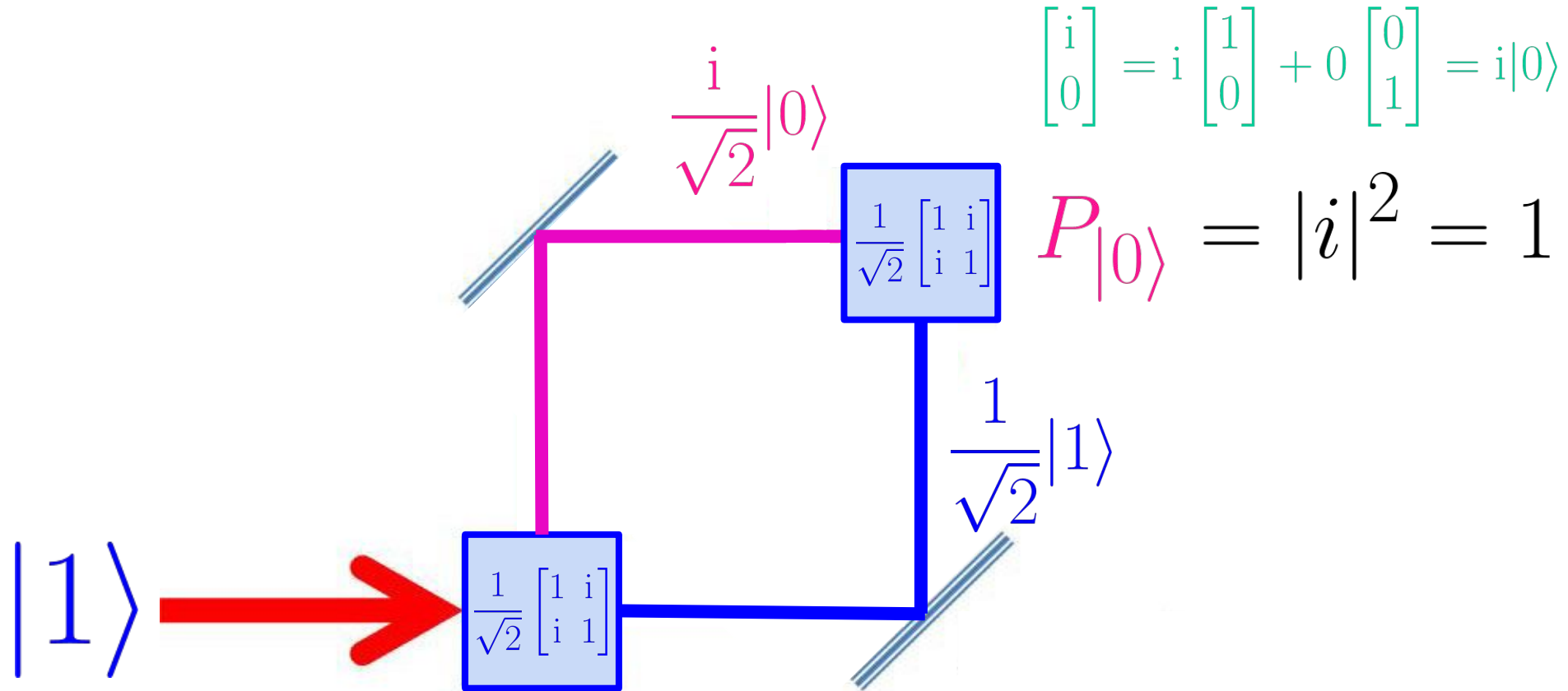


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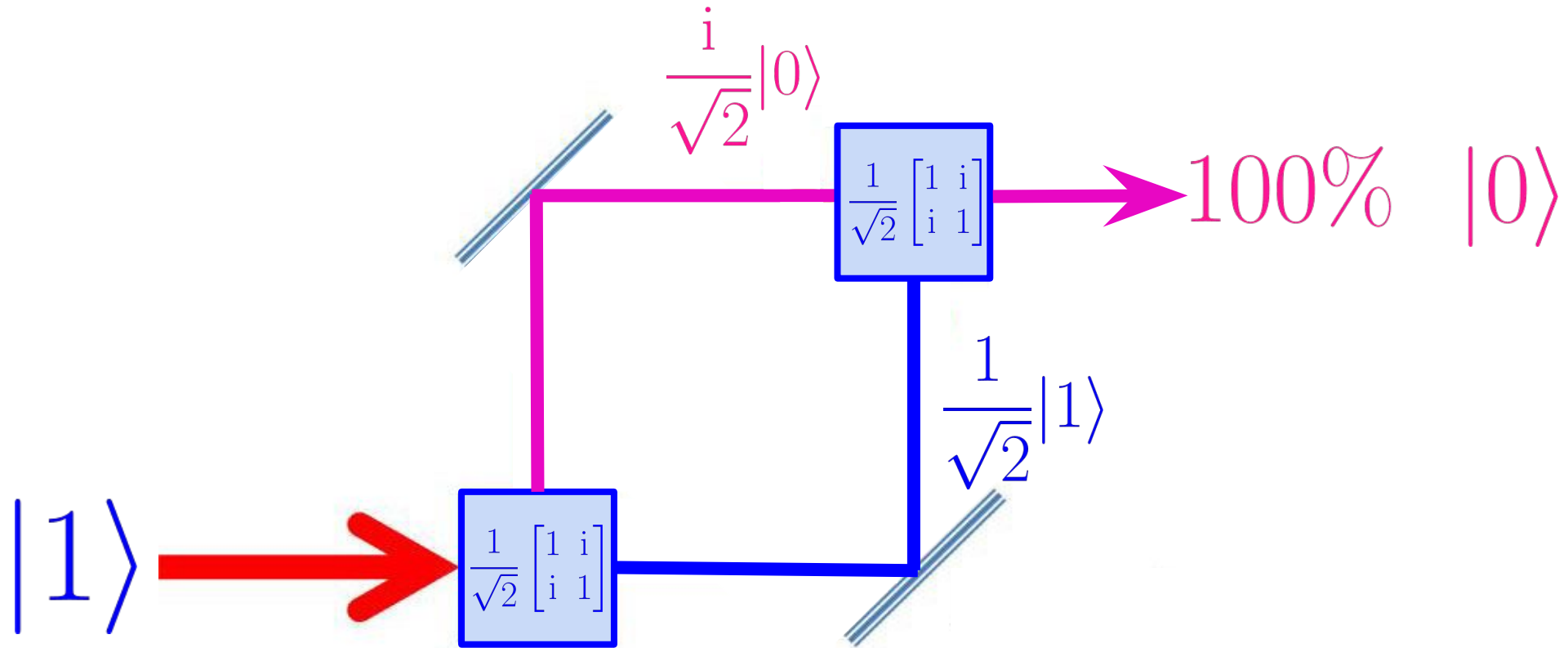




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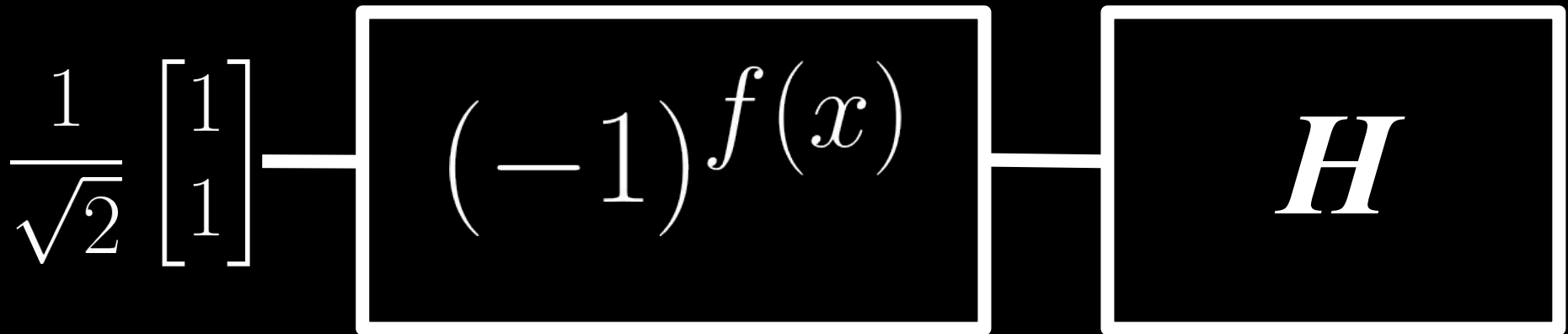
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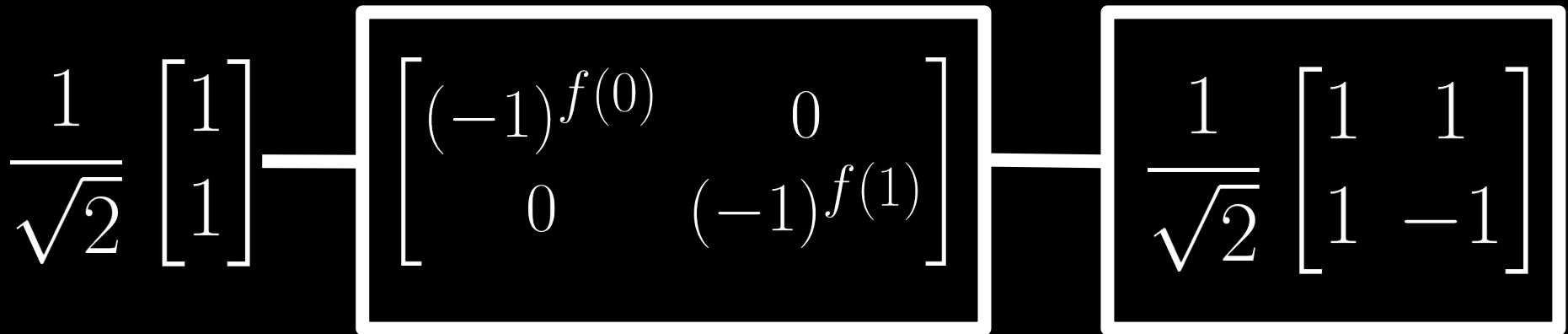
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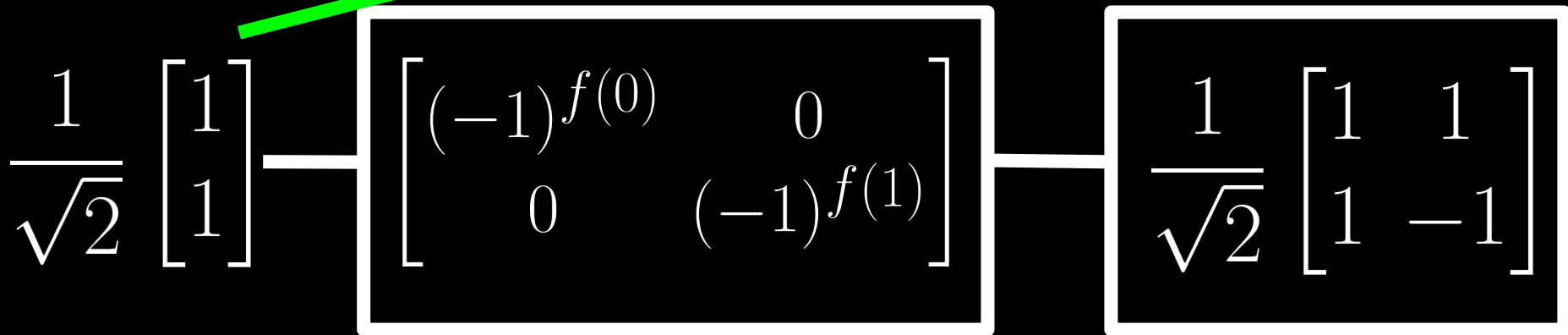
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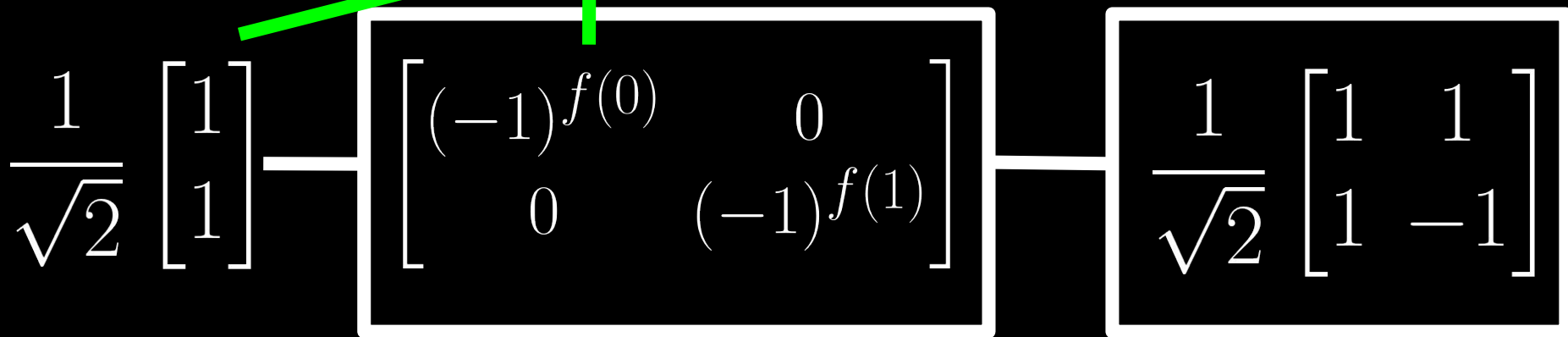
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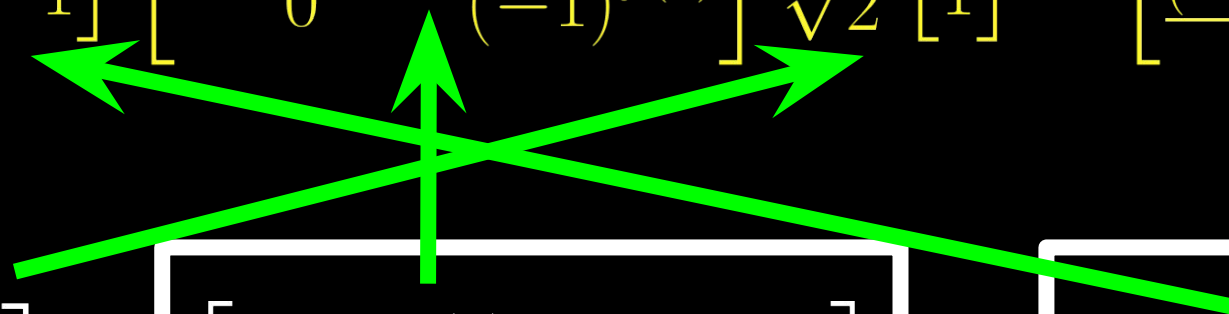
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**Done in a real  
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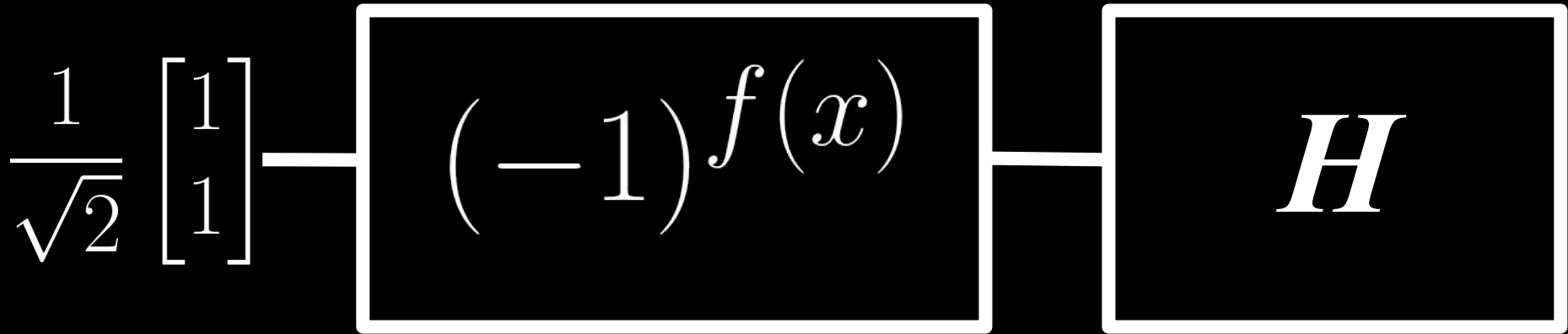


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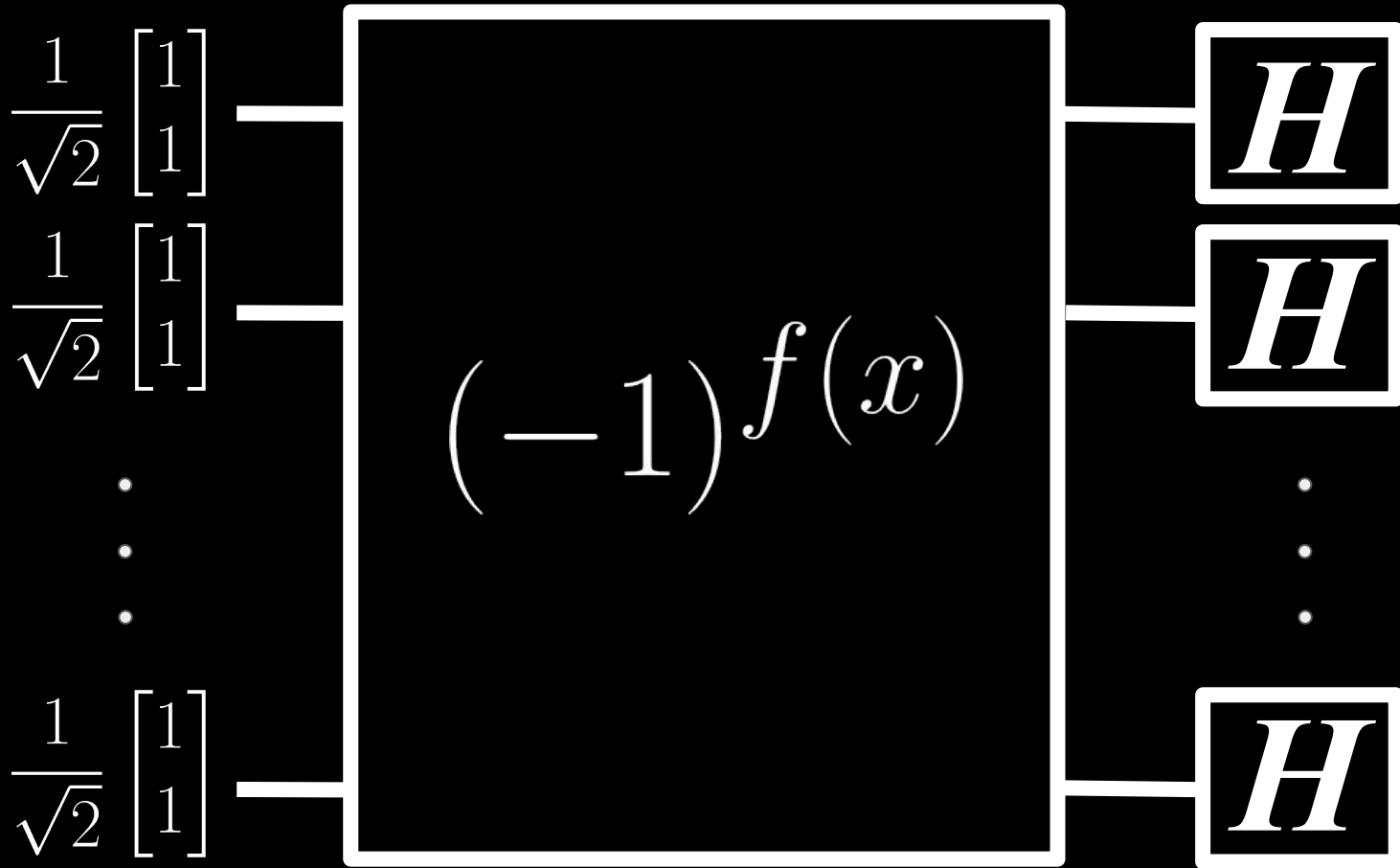
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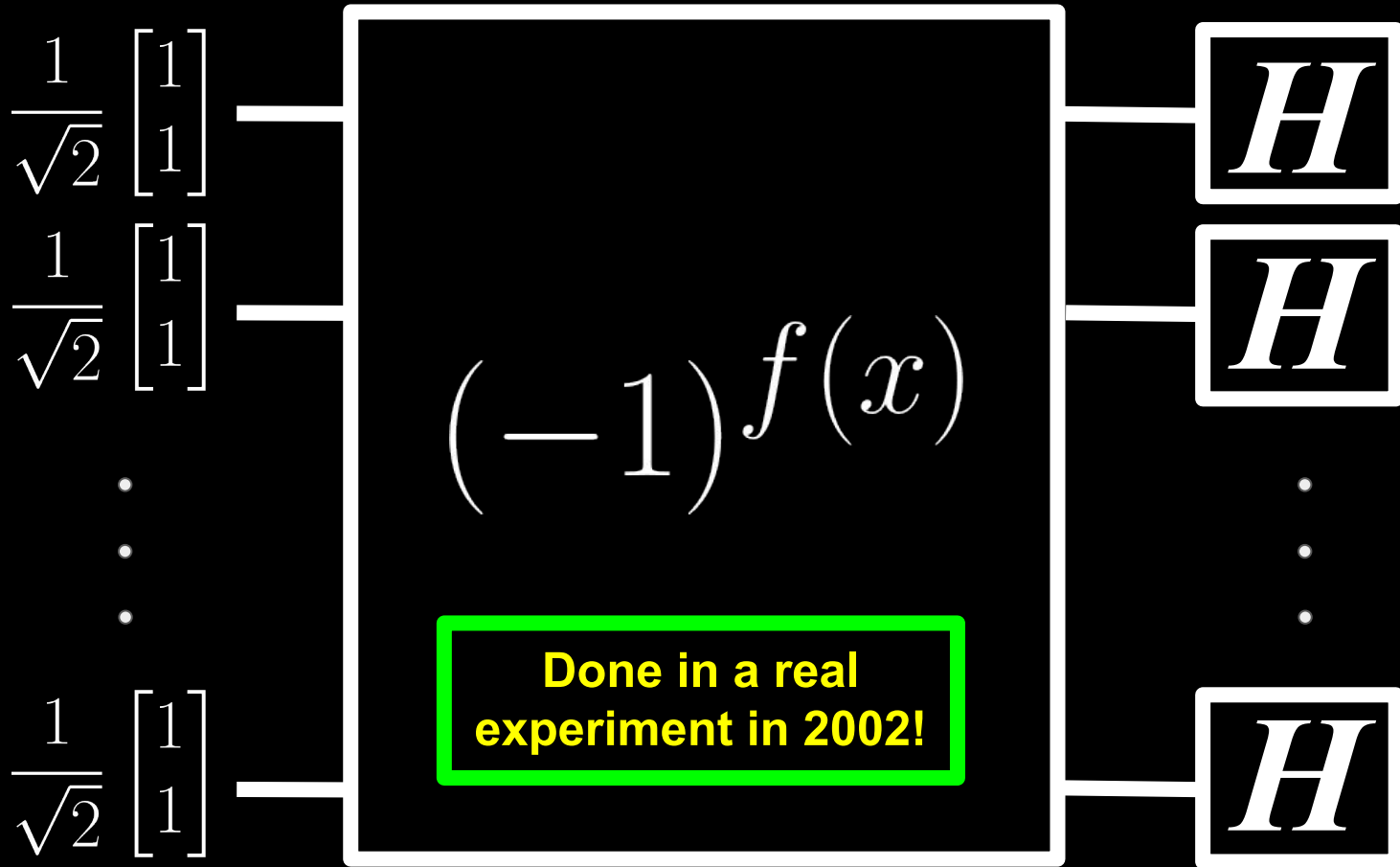
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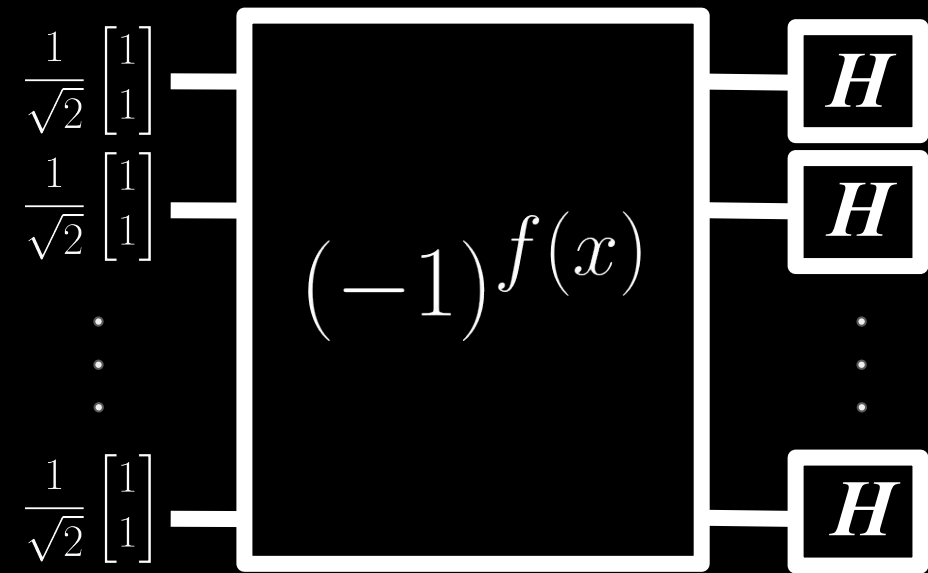
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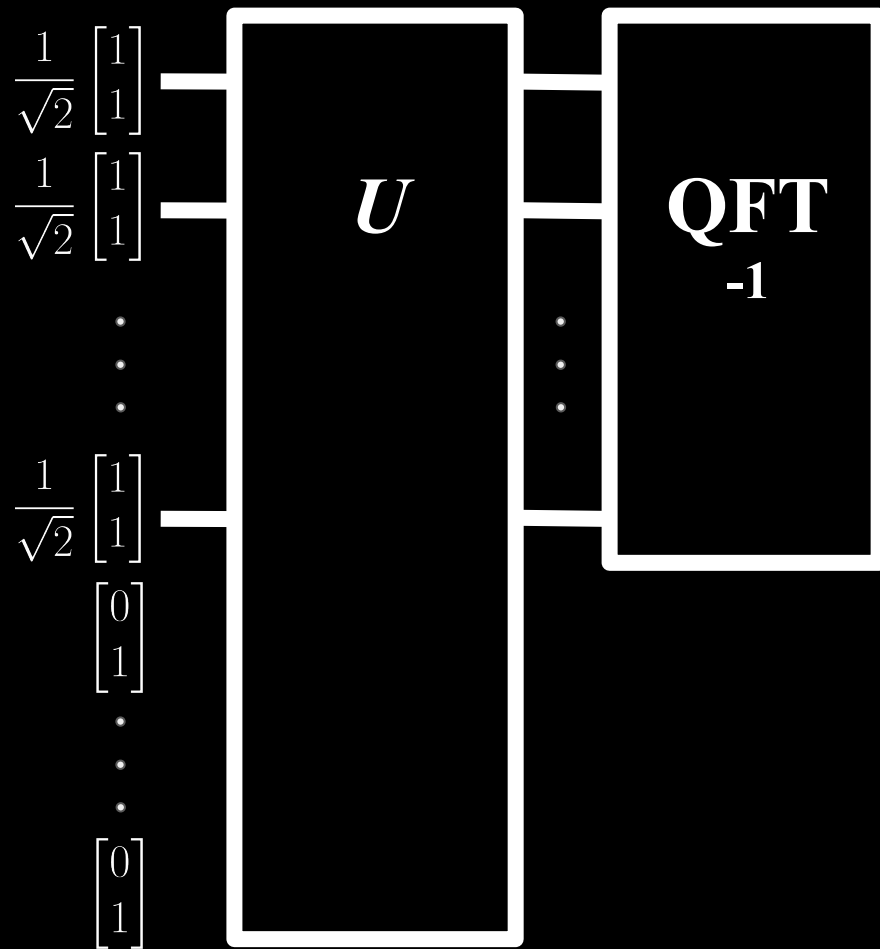
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## Shor's Algorithm (1994)



# Full course on circuit-based quantum computing?

- Quantum machine learning
- Quantum computing for finance
- Quantum money / Quantum cryptocurrencies
- Quantum communication / Quantum internet
- Quantum security
- Quantum decoherence
- **How to actually implement quantum gates:**
  - Superconducting qubits
  - Photonic qubits
  - Spin-based qubits (NMR / NV centres)
  - Ion traps, Rydberg atoms, ultracold molecules, etc.

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**Thank you!**