



QuantA&M Book Club

Meeting 2

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A Summary of Meeting 1



Qubits

- As discussed in the first book club, a qubit can be interpreted as a probability of measuring 0 or 1.

$$|0\rangle = 1 * |0\rangle + 0 * |1\rangle$$

$$|1\rangle = 0 * |0\rangle + 1 * |1\rangle$$



Covered Gates

- These qubits can be manipulated using gates. For example:

- Hadamard Gate – 

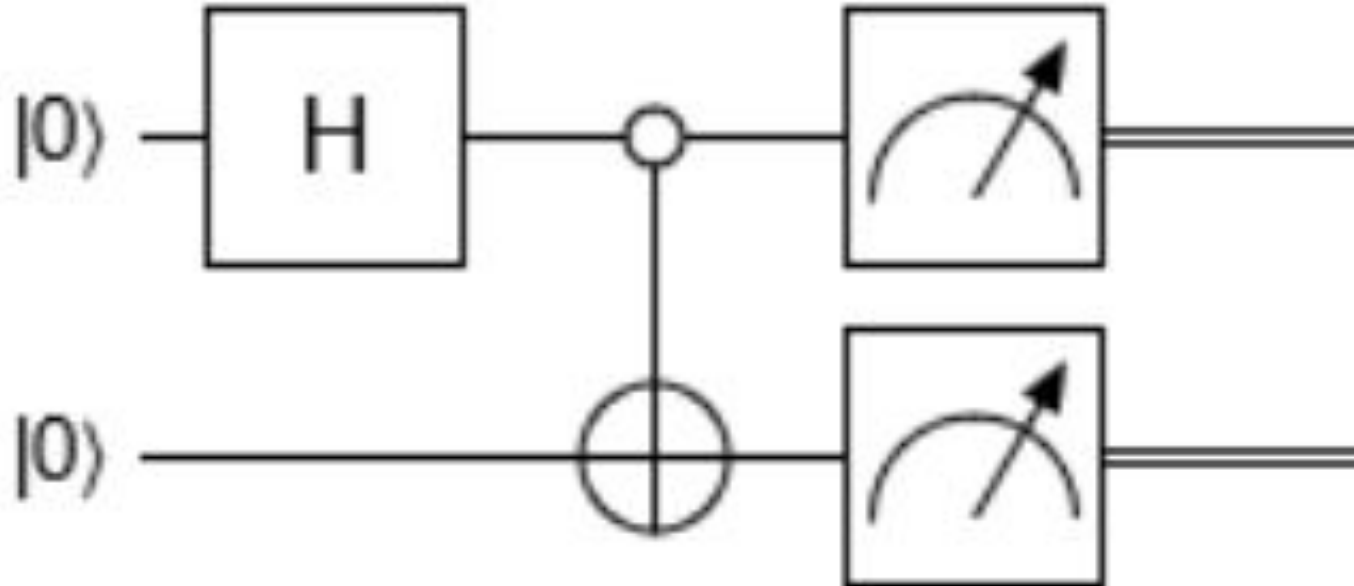
- Not/X Gate – 

- C-Not Gate – 



A Basic Quantum Circuit

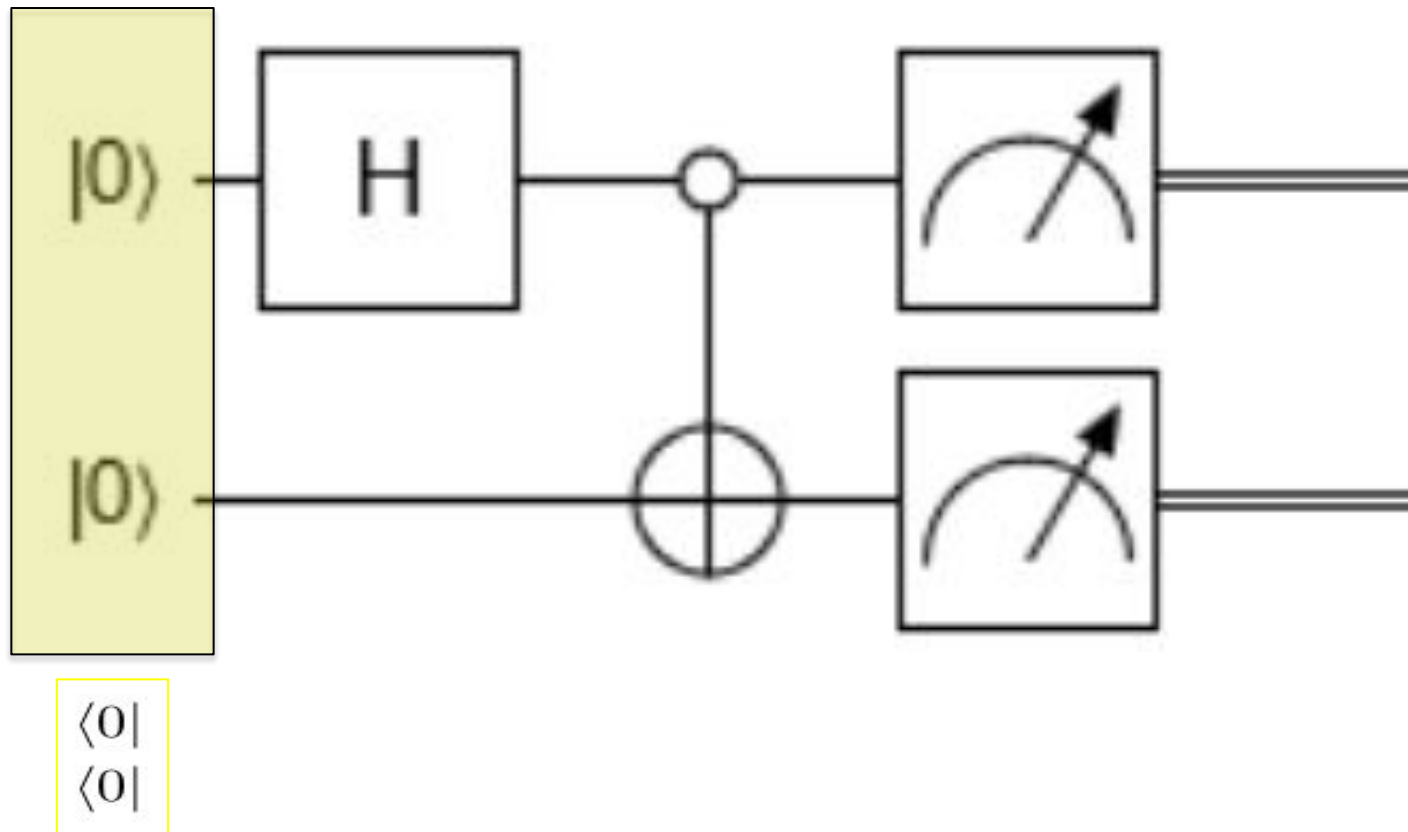
- We also ran through a quantum circuit, implementing the bell states.





A Basic Quantum

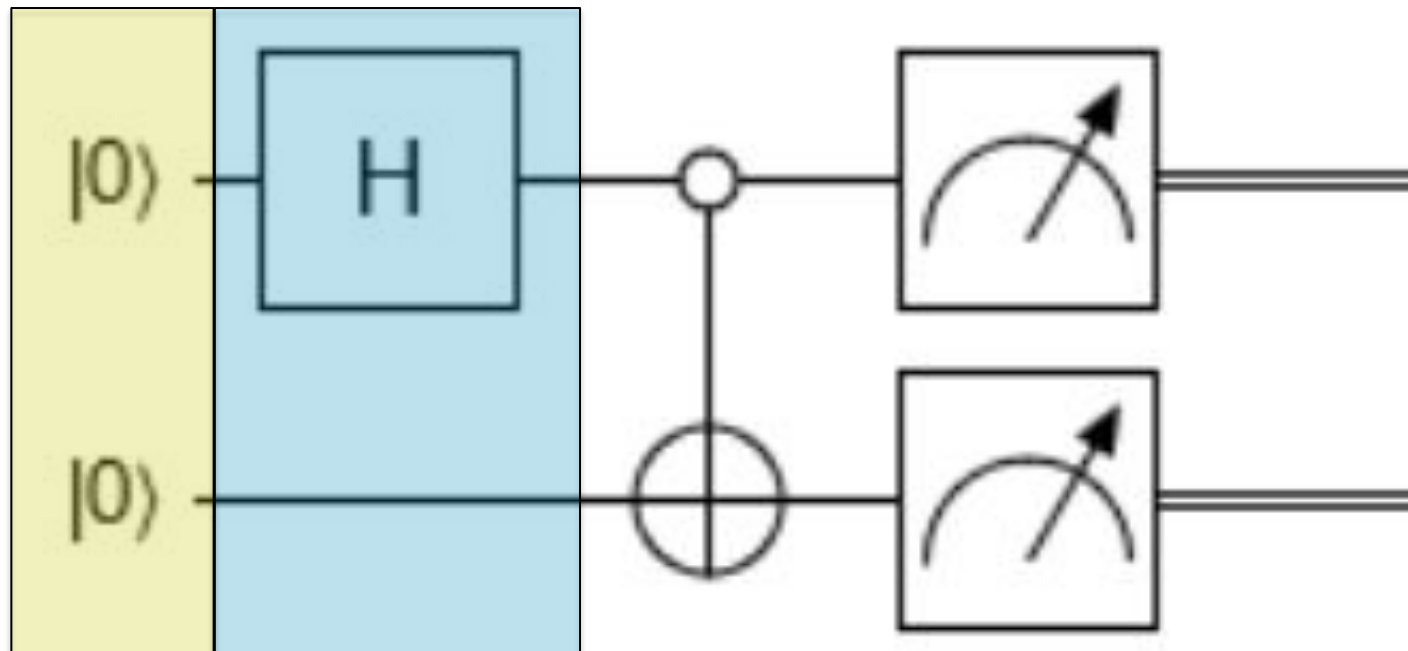
Circuit





A Basic Quantum

Circuit

 $\langle 0|$
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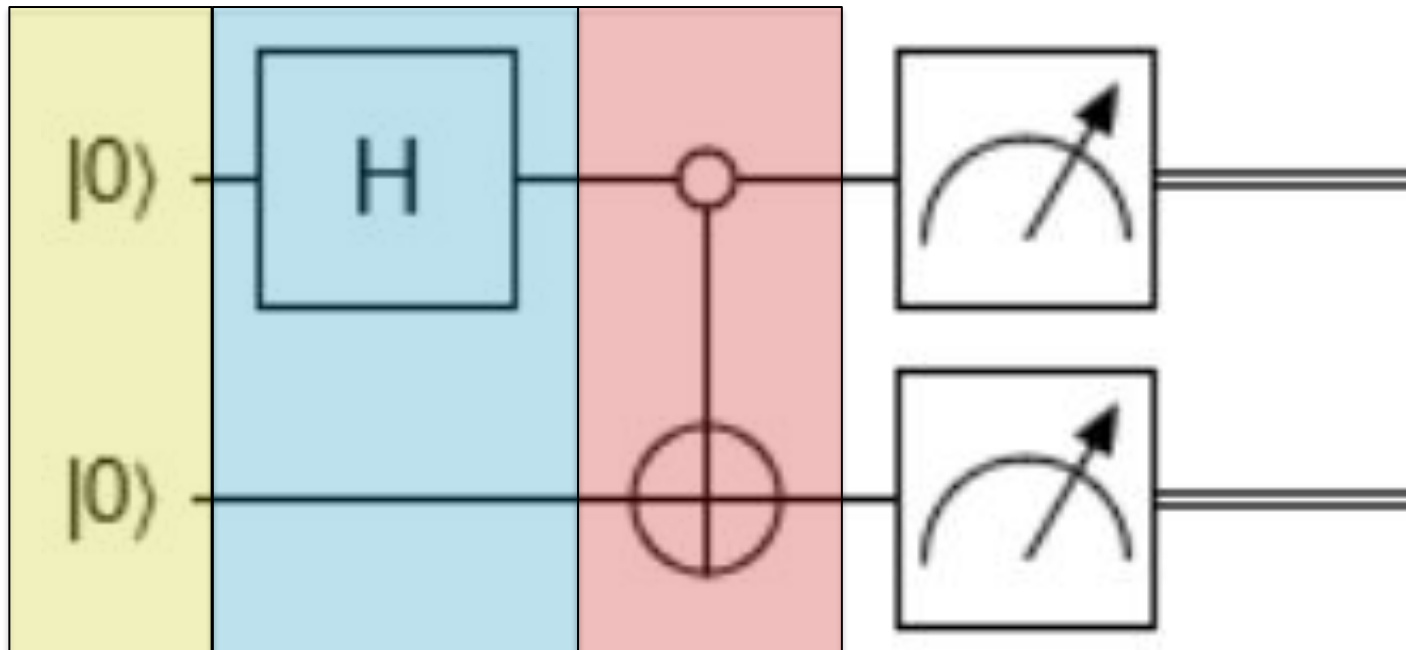
$$\begin{aligned}\langle 0| &\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle 0| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle 1| \\ \langle 0| &\Rightarrow \langle 0|\end{aligned}$$



A Basic Quantum

Circuit

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle 0| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle 1| \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle 00| + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \langle 11|$$
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 $\langle 0|$
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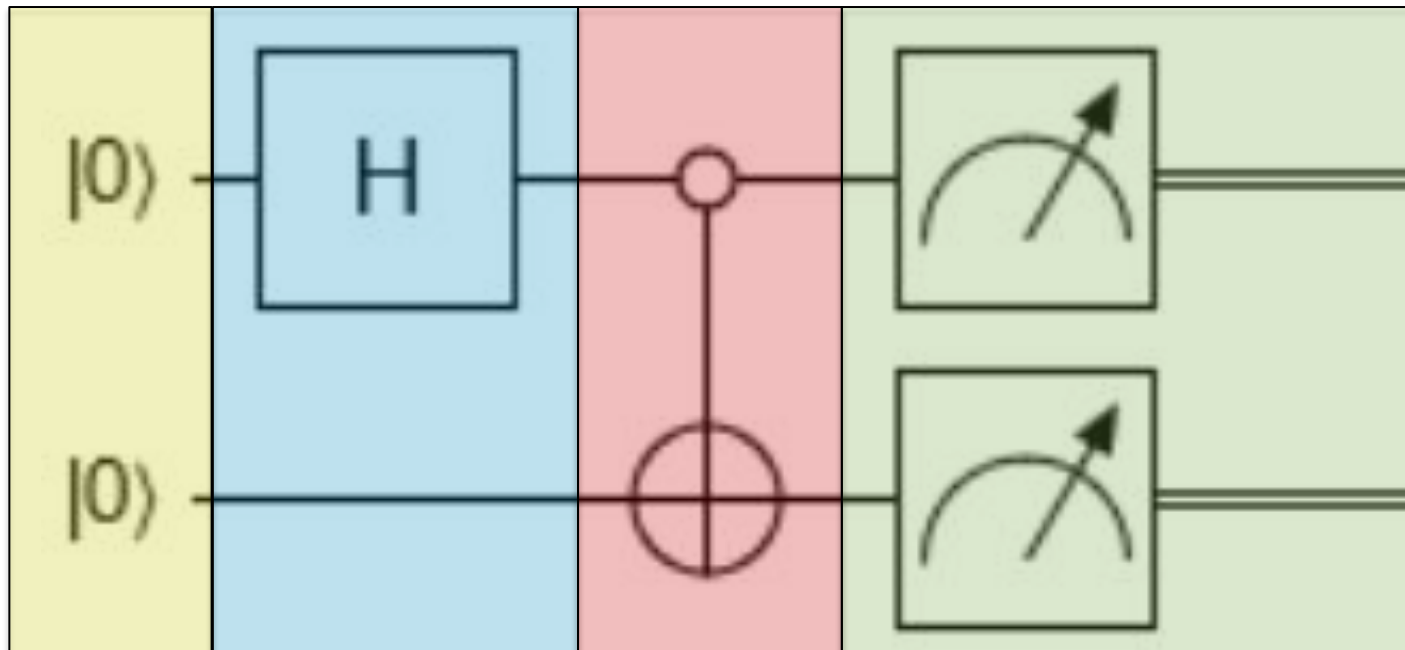
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A Basic Quantum

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 $\langle 0|$
 $\langle 0|$

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$$\langle 0| \Rightarrow \langle 0|$$

Classical Bit Measurement



Qubit Math

Useful Notation



| Some Useful Notation

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Psi || \Phi \rangle &= \langle \Psi \Phi \rangle && \text{"Inner Product"} \\ |\Psi\rangle\langle\Phi| &= |\Psi\Phi| && \text{"Outer Product"} \\ |\Psi\rangle|\Phi\rangle &= |\Psi\Phi\rangle && \text{"Tensor Product"} \\ AB &= A \times B && \text{"Matrix Multiplication"}$$



Qubit Math

Qubits as Vectors



Single-Qubits As Vectors

- Qubits can also be represented as vectors:

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

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

- Each element in the vector is an amplitude of a measurement.
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Qubit Math

Tensor Products of Qubits



Multi-Qubits As Vectors

- Multiple qubits can be represented as a single tensor product of qubits.

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

- For every n-sized qubit, the size of the vector is 2^n .
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Qubit Math

Gates as Matrices



| Gates as Matrices

- The previously mentioned gates can be interpreted as $N \times N$ Matrices.
 - These gates will always be $N \times N$ matrices. N being the number of qubits.
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Example Matrix Operation: Hadamard Gate

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

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



Example Matrix Operation: X/Not Gate

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

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



Example Matrix Operation: Identity Gate

$$I|0\rangle =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$I|1\rangle =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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



Qubit Math

Matrix Multiplication



Matrix Multiplication

- Like numbers, matrices can be multiplied in order to create new matrices.
 - There are subtle differences between how normal multiplication and matrix multiplication works.
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Example Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax + bz & ay + bt \\ cx + dz & cy + dt \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 5 \\ -7 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -19 & -9 \\ -28 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$



Combining Gates

- Quantum logic gates can be combined in order to create more circuits.

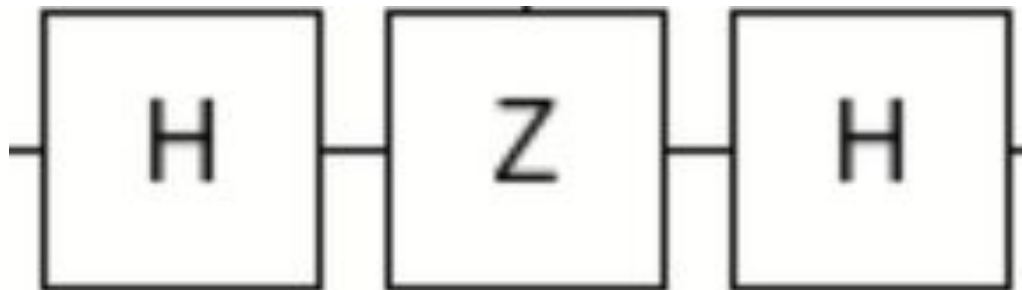
$$HZH = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = X$$

- This is an example of a two Hadamards and a Z-Gate making an X-Gate.
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Combining Gates

The original circuit for reference:





Qubit Math

Tensor Products of Gates



Tensor Product for Matrices

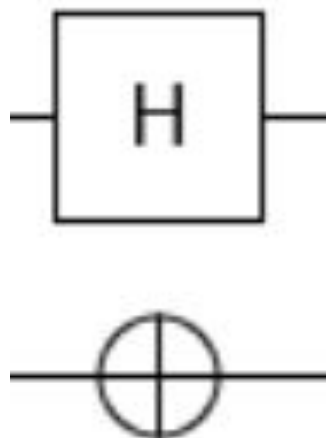
- Like with qubits, matrices affecting multiple qubits can also be represented as a larger matrix.
- If matrix A effects Q0, and matrix B effects Q1, then the matrix for both qubits is simply the tensor product between matrix A and B.

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



Tensor Product for Matrices

- Once again, the circuit for reference:





Qubit Math

Circuit Identities



Circuit Identities

- Using matrix multiplication, we can find the following useful formulas and relationships between our gates:

$$HZH = X$$

$$HXH = Z$$

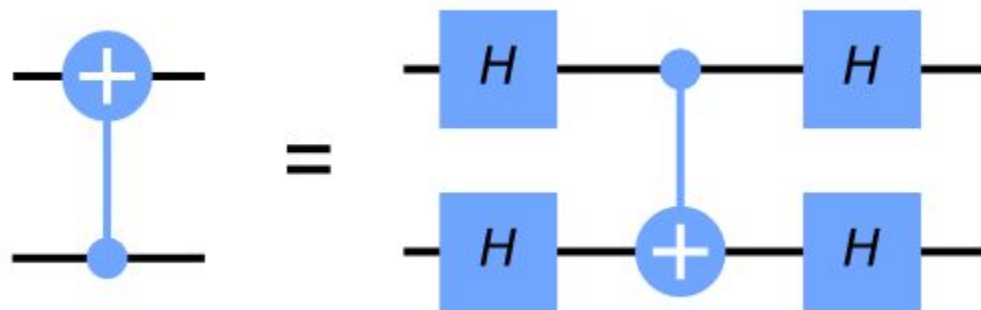
$$HYH = -Y$$

$$H \otimes H * CNOT[Q1, Q0] * H \otimes H = CNOT[Q0, Q1]$$



Circuit Identities

- The last identity looks confusing but is actually quite intuitive. Here is the circuit diagram if done on qiskit:





Phase Kickback



Phase Kickback: The Controlled T-Gate

- An interesting gate can be created that changes the amplitude of our control bit. This is called a Controlled T-gate.

$$\text{Controlled-T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1+i) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T|1\rangle = e^{i\pi/4}|1\rangle$$



Phase Kickback: A Controlled T-Gate's Output

- We can of course use a controlled T-gate to manipulate a qubit. Notice how the modified qubit is the control bit.

$$\begin{aligned} & |1\rangle \otimes \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|10\rangle + |11\rangle) \\ \implies & T|1\rangle \otimes \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ &= T \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|10\rangle + |11\rangle) \\ &= T|1\rangle \otimes \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ &= |1\rangle \otimes \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|0\rangle + e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} |1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$



Phase Kickback: Why is This Important?

- What was just observed was a concept known as phase kickback.
 - Without superposition, a rotation of a qubit is meaningless, as all that really matters is the magnitude of the amplitude.
 - With superposition however, a rotation of one of the superpositions can have a measurable impact on computations.
 - The IBM textbook goes fairly in depth on the math behind this concept. I would recommend giving it a read.
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Phase Kickback: Why is This Important?

$$\begin{aligned} T|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \\ = |1\rangle \otimes e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} |1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T|1\rangle \otimes \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \\ = |1\rangle \otimes \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} * (|0\rangle + e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} |1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$



Bloch Sphere

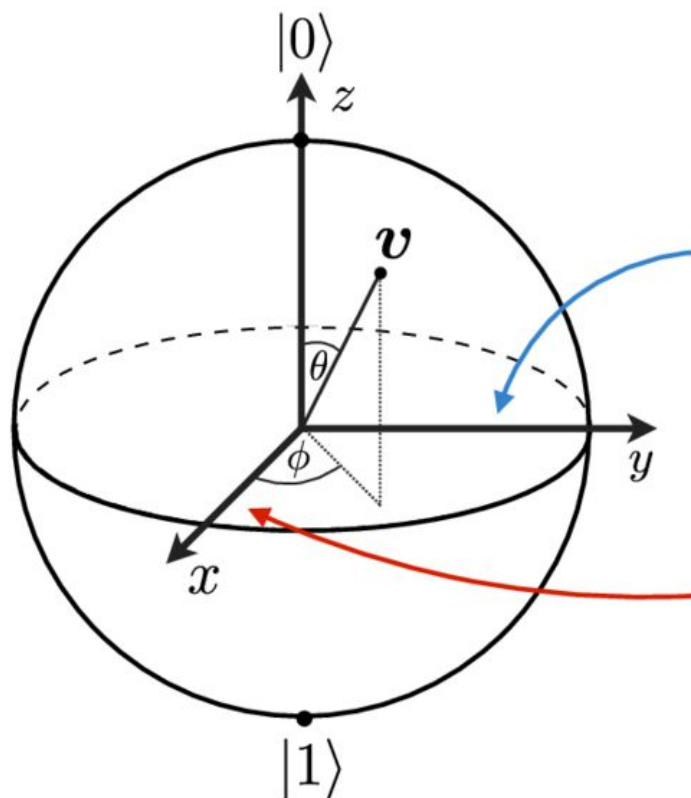


| The Bloch Sphere:

- The Bloch sphere is a visual representation of our qubit vector.
- It is a sphere with a radius of 1. Every point in the sphere is a potential amplitude value.



Visualizing a Qubit:



Pole states:

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

$$|i-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - i|1\rangle)$$

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

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



Let's Get Started