

Lecture 1

Quantum theory (should be a recap)

(S) States are descr. by vectors* in a Hilbert space

(C) Compound systems are described by the tensor product.

(U) Time-evolution is unitary.

(M) Measurement probabilities come from the Born rule.

STATES

Def A (finite-dim'l) Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is a vector space with an inner product $\langle \psi | \phi \rangle \in \mathbb{C}$, $\psi, \phi \in \mathcal{H}$

Main example: $H = \mathbb{C}^n$ $\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi^0 \\ \psi^1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi^{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$, $\psi^i \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$\langle \psi | \phi \rangle = (\bar{\psi}^0 \bar{\psi}^1 \dots \bar{\psi}^{n-1}) \begin{pmatrix} \phi^0 \\ \vdots \\ \phi^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \bar{\psi}^i \phi^i \in \mathbb{C}$$

ADJOINTS

Def For a linear map $M: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$, $M^\dagger: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is the unique map where: $\langle \psi | M\phi \rangle = \langle M^\dagger \psi | \phi \rangle$.

Ex $M: \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

$n \times m$
matrix



$$M^\dagger: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

$m \times n$

conjugate-transpose.

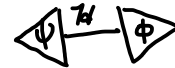
2 NOTATIONS:

BRA-KET

$$\psi \rightsquigarrow |\psi\rangle \text{ ket}$$

$$\psi^\dagger \rightsquigarrow \langle\psi| \text{ bra}$$

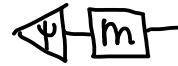
DIAGRAM



INNER PRODUCT

$$\langle\phi|\psi\rangle = \langle\phi|\psi\rangle_{\text{bra-ket}}$$

$$M|\psi\rangle$$



$$\langle\phi|Z Y X|\psi\rangle$$



$$M \rightsquigarrow M^\dagger$$

$$\overline{M} \rightsquigarrow M^\dagger$$

Standard (computational/z)

basis

$$e_i \rightsquigarrow \{ |i\rangle \}_{i=0}^{d-1}$$

$$\left(\overline{M} \rightsquigarrow M^\dagger \right) \leftarrow \text{PQP}$$



ONB:

$$\langle i|j\rangle = \delta_i^j := \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\langle i|j\rangle = \delta_i^j$$

Matrix elements:

$$M_i^j := \langle j|M|i\rangle$$

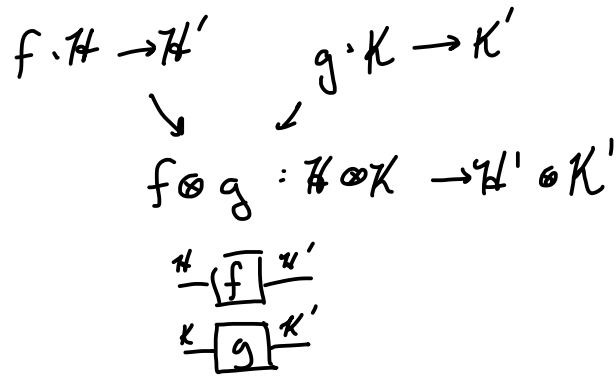
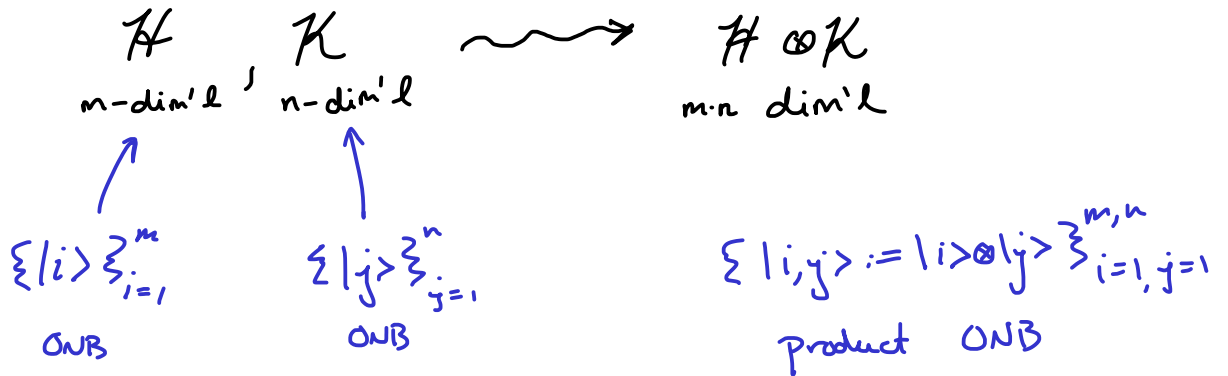


Def A quantum pure state is a normalised vector $|\psi\rangle \in H$, upto a global phase: $|\psi\rangle \sim e^{i\alpha} |\psi\rangle$. $\langle\psi|\psi\rangle = 1$

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COMPOUND SYSTEMS

Tensor product:



$f \otimes g$ has matrix elements:

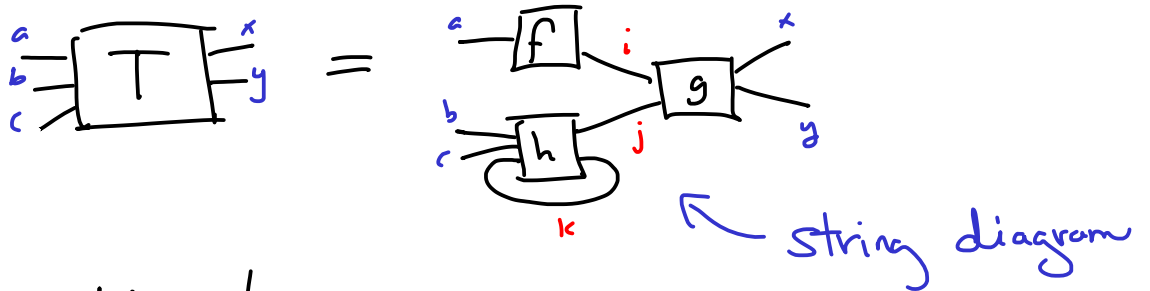
$$(f \otimes g)_{i,j}^{k,l} := f_i^k \cdot g_j^l$$

e.g. $\begin{matrix} \overbrace{M} \\ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \otimes \begin{matrix} \overbrace{N} \\ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \cdot N \\ y \cdot N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} xa & xb \\ xc & xd \\ ya & yb \\ yc & yd \end{pmatrix}$

Whereas $g \circ f = \begin{matrix} \boxed{f} & \boxed{g} \\ i & k & j \end{matrix}$ has matrix elements:

$$(g \circ f)_i^j = \sum_k f_i^k g_k^j$$

More generally:

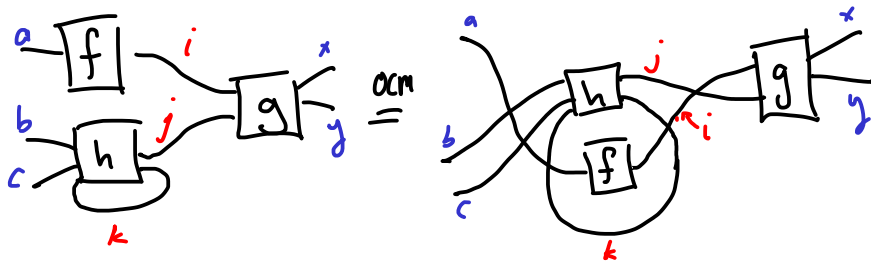


has matrix elems:

$$T_{a,b,c}^{x,y} = \sum_{ijk} f_a^i g_{ij}^{xy} h_{bck}^j \quad \leftarrow \text{tensor network}$$

String diagram motto:

ONLY CONNECTIVITY MATTERS!
(OCM)



Unitaries:

Def An isometry $U: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ is a linear map such that $U^\dagger U = I$.

$$\mathcal{H} \boxed{U} \mathcal{K} \boxed{U^\dagger} \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \langle \psi | & \mapsto & \langle \phi | U \\ | \psi \rangle & & | \phi \rangle = U | \psi \rangle \end{array}$$

$$\langle \phi | U \boxed{U^\dagger} | \psi \rangle = \langle \phi | \psi \rangle$$

($\Rightarrow \dim \mathcal{H} \leq \dim \mathcal{K}$)

Def A unitary $U: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ is a linear map where:

$$\mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{U} \mathcal{K} \xrightarrow{U^\dagger} \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H} \quad \mathcal{K} \xrightarrow{U^\dagger} \mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{U} \mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}$$

$$(\Rightarrow \dim \mathcal{H} = \dim \mathcal{K})$$

Quantum state



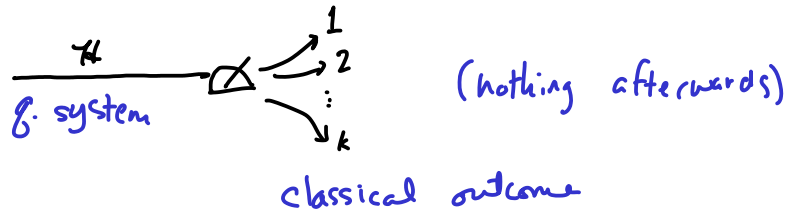
$$\left[\text{Schrödinger eq.: } i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\Psi_t\rangle = H |\Psi_t\rangle \Rightarrow |\Psi_t\rangle = e^{-i\frac{t}{\hbar} H} |\Psi_0\rangle \right]$$

\uparrow Hamiltonian $H = H^\dagger$
 \uparrow unitary U

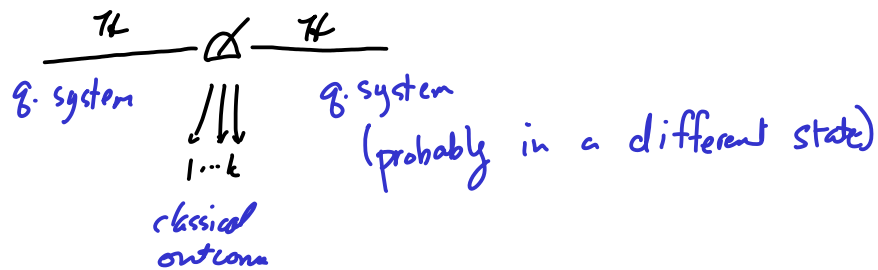
Lecture 3

Measurements

... are the only way to get info out of a q. system.



Def:



Def A quantum (von Neumann) measurement is a set of projectors:

$$\mathcal{M} = \{M_1, \dots, M_k\} \quad \text{where} \quad \sum_i M_i = I.$$

When we measure $|\psi\rangle$ with \mathcal{M} , prob. of outcome i is:

$$\text{Prob}(i|\psi) := \langle \psi | M_i | \psi \rangle$$

↳ The Born rule. ↵

Aside

[This is a special case of the Born rule from QFT: let



then $\langle \psi | \Pi_i | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | M_i^\dagger M_i | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | M_i | \psi \rangle$.]

n.b. $\text{Prob}(i | e^{i\alpha} |\psi\rangle) = (e^{-i\alpha} \langle \psi |) M_i (e^{i\alpha} |\psi\rangle) = \cancel{e^{-i\alpha}} \cancel{e^{i\alpha}} \langle \psi | M_i | \psi \rangle = \text{Prob}(i | \psi)$

Ex: ONB measurements:

$$\text{ONB} = \{ |i\rangle \}_i$$

$$\downarrow$$

Projectors := $\{ M_i = |i\rangle\langle i| \}_i$ and $\sum_i |i\rangle\langle i| = I$

$$M_i^2 = M_i M_i = \underbrace{|i\rangle\langle i| |i\rangle\langle i|}_1 = |i\rangle\langle i| = M_i = M_i^\dagger$$

Ex: Measuring 1 system:

$$\{ M_i := |i\rangle\langle i| \}$$

Ex: Distinguishing subspaces: $\text{span}\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^3$ vs. $\text{span}\{|2\rangle\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^3$

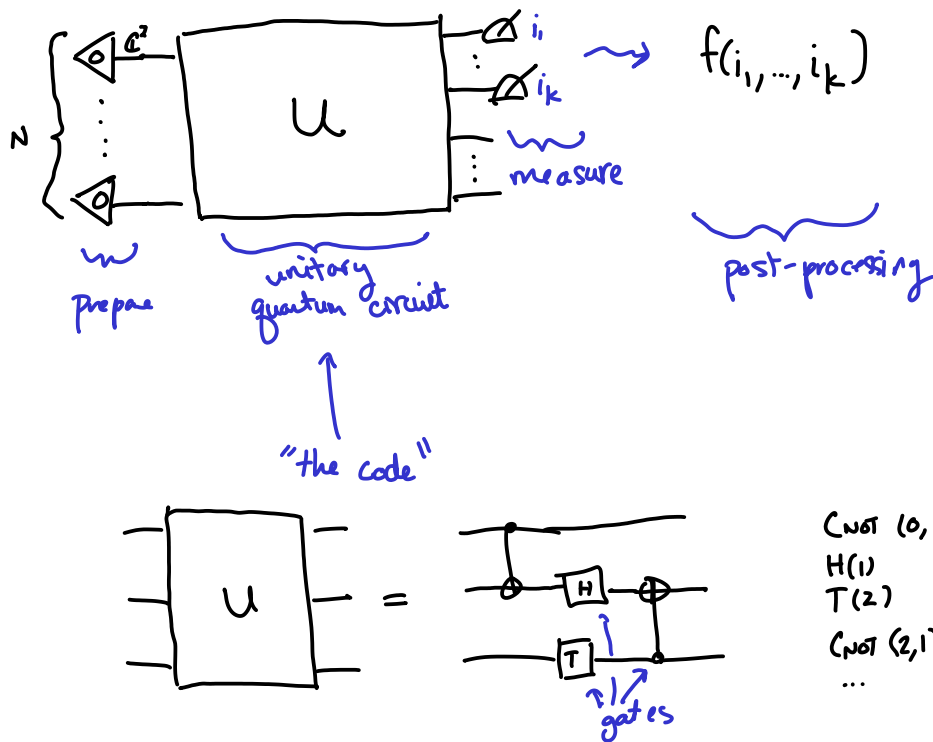
$$\mathcal{M} = \{ M_1 = |0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1|, M_2 = |2\rangle\langle 2| \}$$

$$|\psi\rangle \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{M} \rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{\|M_i|\psi\rangle\|} \langle \psi | M_i | \psi \rangle$$

\downarrow
classical outcome

$$[\text{In QPC: } \boxed{P}]$$

The Quantum Circuit Model.



Q: Where do they come from?
 (I) classical computations:

$$\pi: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^n \rightsquigarrow U_\pi: |\vec{x}\rangle \mapsto |\pi(\vec{x})\rangle$$

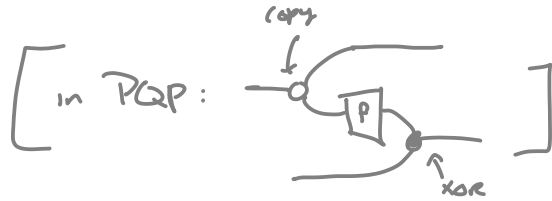
reversible fn
(aka permutation)
unitary

Ex NOT: $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \rightsquigarrow X: \begin{matrix} |0\rangle \mapsto |1\rangle \\ |1\rangle \mapsto |0\rangle \end{matrix}$

CNOT: $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^2 \rightsquigarrow \text{CNOT}: |x, y\rangle \mapsto |x, x \oplus y\rangle$

$$f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad U_f: |\vec{x}, y\rangle \mapsto |\vec{x}, f(\vec{x}) \oplus y\rangle$$

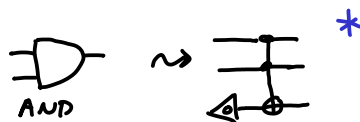
circuit function
unitary ("Bennett trick")[†]



Ex: $\text{AND}: \mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ \rightsquigarrow $\text{ToF}: |x, y, z\rangle \mapsto |x, y, (xy) \oplus z\rangle$
Toffoli / CCNOT

* classical (reversible) circuits $C \rightsquigarrow C' \rightsquigarrow U$

$\text{AND} + \text{NOT}$ $\text{Toffoli} + \text{NOT} + \text{ancillas}$



(II) "quantum tricks"

(a) change of basis:

$$\text{Hadamard } \text{H} := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

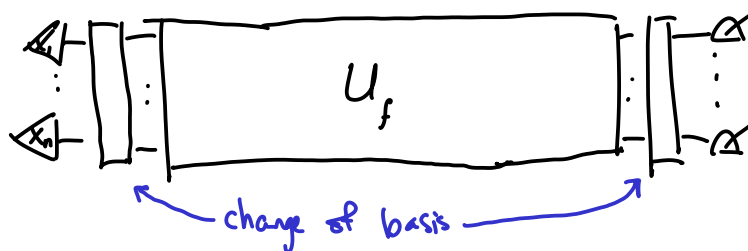
$$H|1\rangle = |-\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

or MORE GENERALLY: $\mathbb{C}^N \xrightarrow{\text{F}} \mathbb{C}^N$ where $F_j^k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \omega^{j \cdot k}$

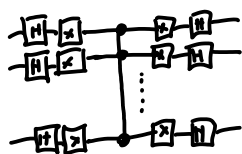
Fourier xform $\omega := e^{2\pi i / N}$

(n.b. $H_j^k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1)^{j \cdot k}$, $\omega = e^{2\pi i / 2} = e^{\pi i} = -1$)

D-J, Simon's, Shor, HSP :



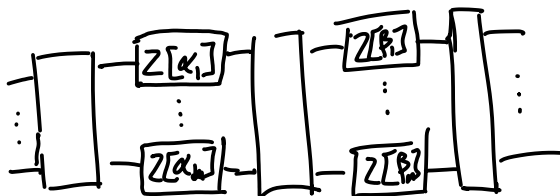
(b) Grover "diffusion"



$$\hat{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^n \text{ : } |x_1 \dots x_n\rangle \mapsto (-1)^{x_1 \dots x_n} |x_1 \dots x_n\rangle$$

(c) Hamiltonian simulation (Pauli gadgets)

(d) Variational circuits



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$$Z[\alpha] \text{ : } \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle \mapsto |0\rangle \\ |1\rangle \mapsto e^{i\alpha} |1\rangle \end{array}$$

Problem ^(synthesis): Given a (high-level) description of a computation/unitary U , build a circuit that does U .

Problem (optimisation) given a circuit C that does U , find a smaller C' that also does U .

Problem (classical simulation) given C that does U , and an input $|\psi\rangle$ either:

- Strong Simulation \rightarrow * compute measurement probabilities for $U|\psi\rangle$, or
- weak simulation \rightarrow * sample measurement outcomes for $U|\psi\rangle$

- ZX-diagrams are a tool for reasoning about circuits (and more!)

Perspective 1: ZX-diagrams are "circuits" made of spiders.

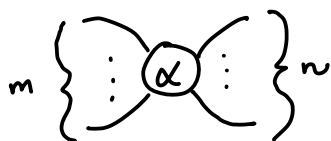
$$Z[\alpha]_m^n : (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes m} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$$

$$Z[\alpha]_m^n = |00\dots 0\rangle\langle 00\dots 0| + e^{i\alpha} |11\dots 1\rangle\langle 11\dots 1|$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{cases} |00\dots 0\rangle \mapsto |00\dots 0\rangle \\ |11\dots 1\rangle \mapsto e^{i\alpha} |11\dots 1\rangle \end{cases}$$

$$\leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$$

rank 2
(usually not unitary!)



$$X[\alpha]_m^n = |++\dots +\rangle\langle ++\dots +| + e^{i\alpha} |--\dots -\rangle\langle --\dots -|$$

