# Lectures on Quantum Computing 

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## Quantum superposition

While a classical system can only be in a specific state at any time, a quantum system can exist in a superposition of several possible quantum states.


## Quantum entanglement

When a system, formed by at least two particles is prepared in a non-separable state, and then it is split as each part moves away, the parts continue to be linked whatever the distance is and the measurment of the state of one part, instantaneously defines the state of the second part.

Measuring a Pair of Entangled Photons
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- These states are called non-separable, or entangled states. For example, the Bell state :

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- The action of this circuit on the 2 qubit system initially in the state $|00\rangle$ is:

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- Bernstein-Vazirani Algorithm
- Simon's Algorithm
- Quantum counting
- Quantum Teleportation
- Shor's Algorithm
- Grover's Algorithm
- Quantum Key Distribution (Quantum Cryptography)
- Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT)
- Super-dense Coding
- Quantum Phase Estimation (QPE)
- Variational Quantum Eigensolver (VQE)


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## Example 2: Teleportation circuit



## Quantum Satellite (2017)



The Chinese satellite Micius has helped break the quantum teleportation distance record, transmitting entangled photons across a distance of $1,200 \mathrm{kms}$.

## Implementation of teleportation algorithm



Anton Zeilinger, Nobel Prize winner 2022


Canary islands experiment : Quantum teleportation over 143 kms

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## Follow up

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