

# Introduction to Quantum information and Computation

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## **Plan of the lecture**

- **Part I: Historial background**
- **Part II: The qubit and quantum gates**

# **Quantum Computation and Quantum Information**

**Quantum Mechanics**



**Quantum Computation  
and  
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# Quantum Mechanics



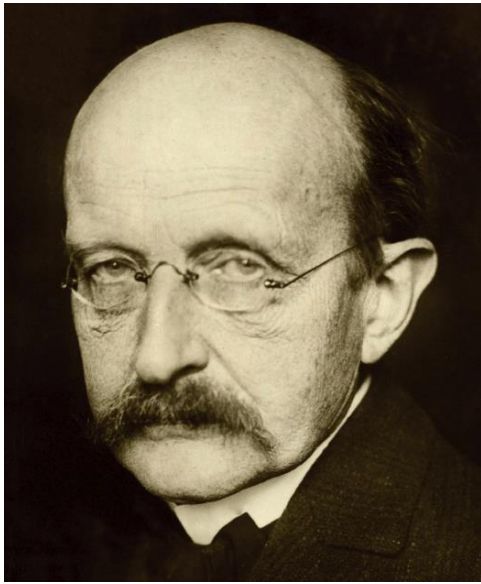
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**First Quantum Revolution**



Max Planck  
1858 - 1947

***Ueber eine Verbesserung der Wien'schen Spectralgleichung; von M. Planck.***

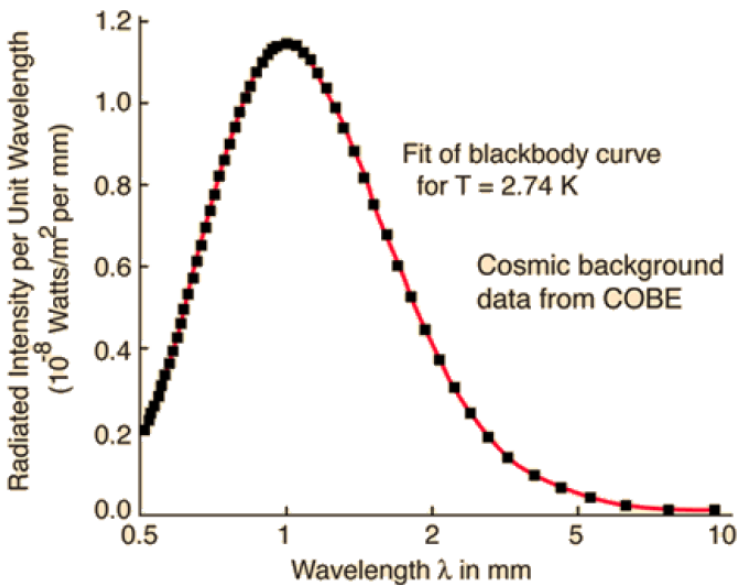
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*About an improvement of Wien's spectral equation*

***Zur Theorie des Gesetzes der Energieverteilung im Normalspectrum; von M. Planck.***

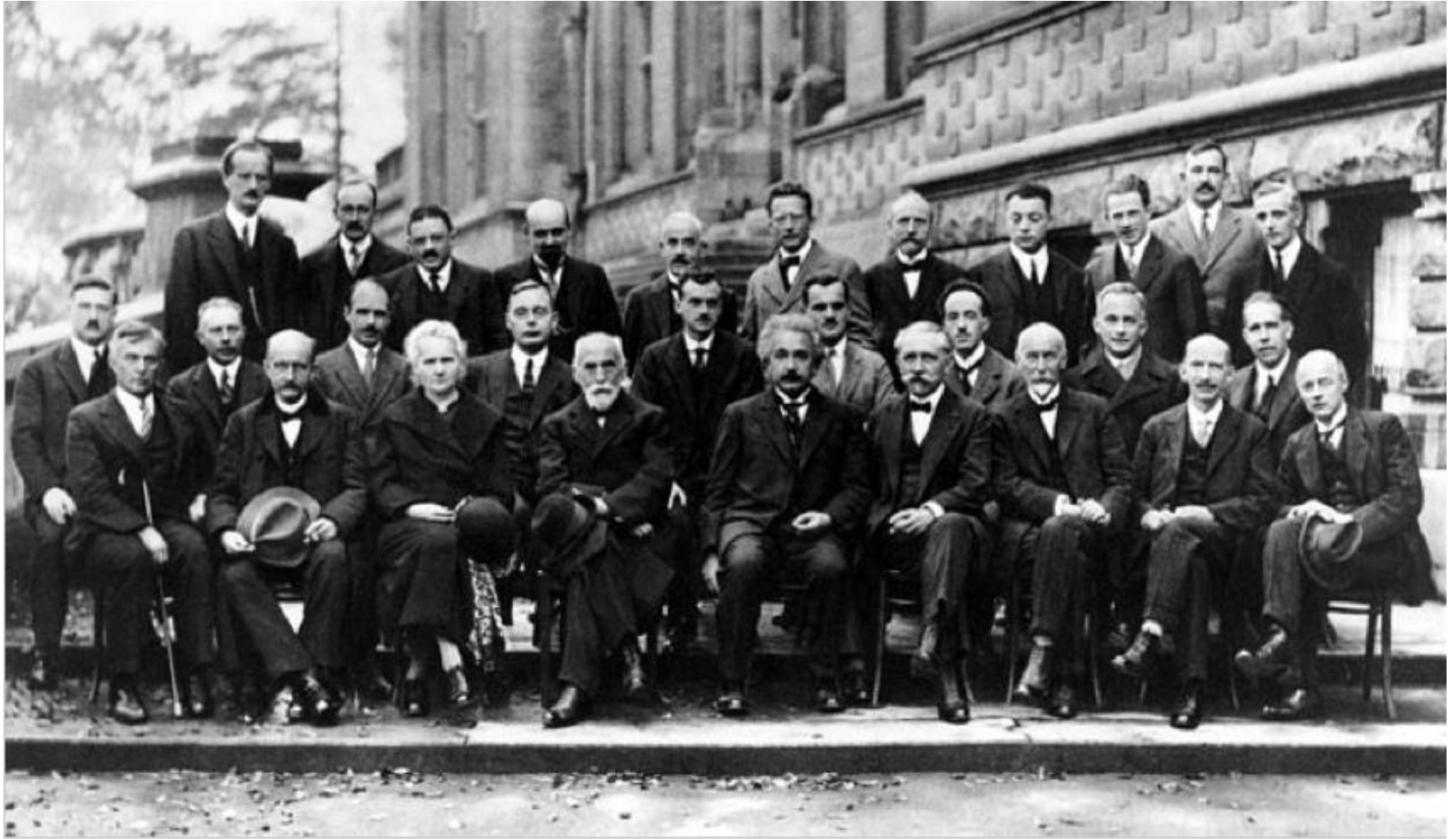
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*On the theory of the law of energy distribution in normal spectrum*



$$u_\nu d\nu = \frac{8\pi h \nu^3}{c^3} \cdot \frac{d\nu}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{k\theta}} - 1}$$

# V-Solvay conference “electrons et photons” (1927)

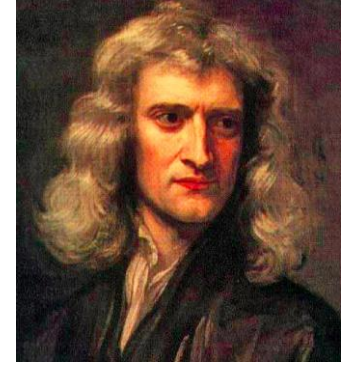


A. Piccard, E. Henriot, P. Ehrenfest, E. Herzen, Th. de Donder, E. Schrödinger, J.E. Verschaffelt, W. Pauli, W. Heisenberg, R.H. Fowler, L. Brillouin;

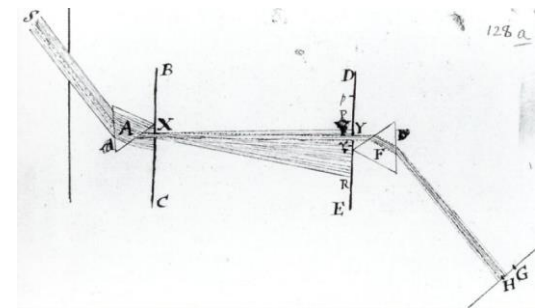
P. Debye, M. Knudsen, W.L. Bragg, H.A. Kramers, P.A.M. Dirac, A.H. Compton, L. de Broglie, M. Born, N. Bohr;  
I. Langmuir, M. Planck, M. Skłodowska-Curie, H.A. Lorentz, A. Einstein, P. Langevin, Ch.-E. Guye, C.T.R. Wilson, O.W. Richardson

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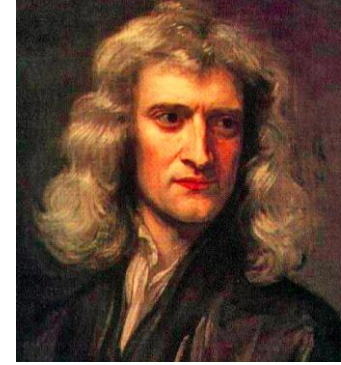
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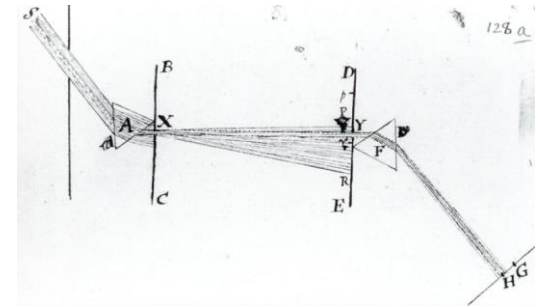
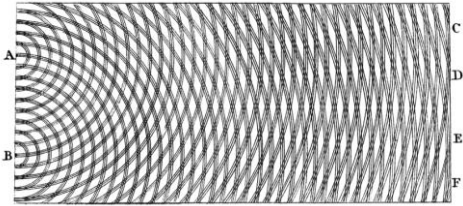


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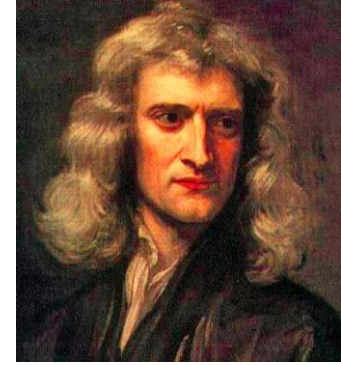
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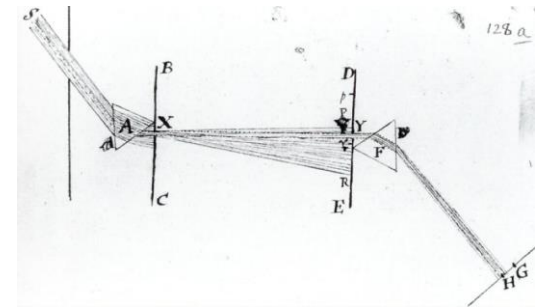
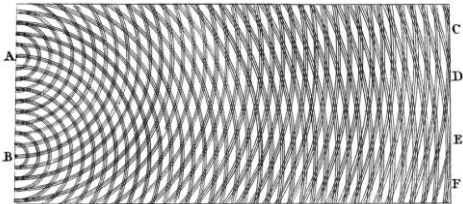


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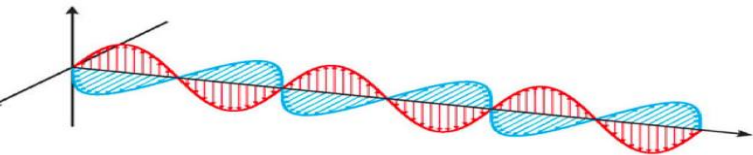
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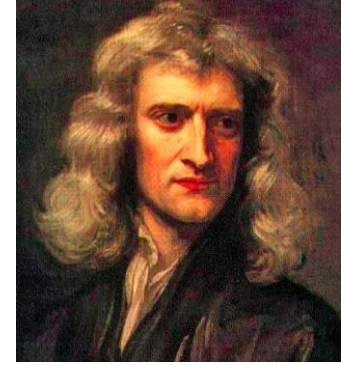
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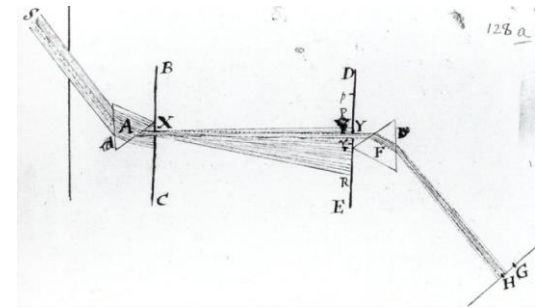
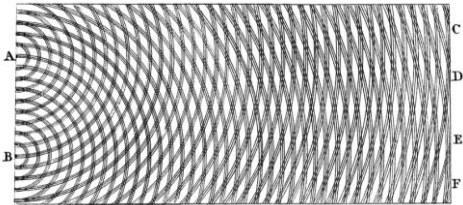


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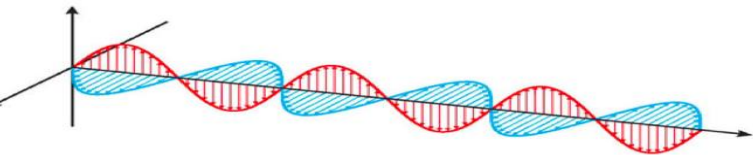
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Albert Einstein (1879-1955)



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# On a heuristic point of view about the creation and generation of light

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Annalen der Physik, 1905

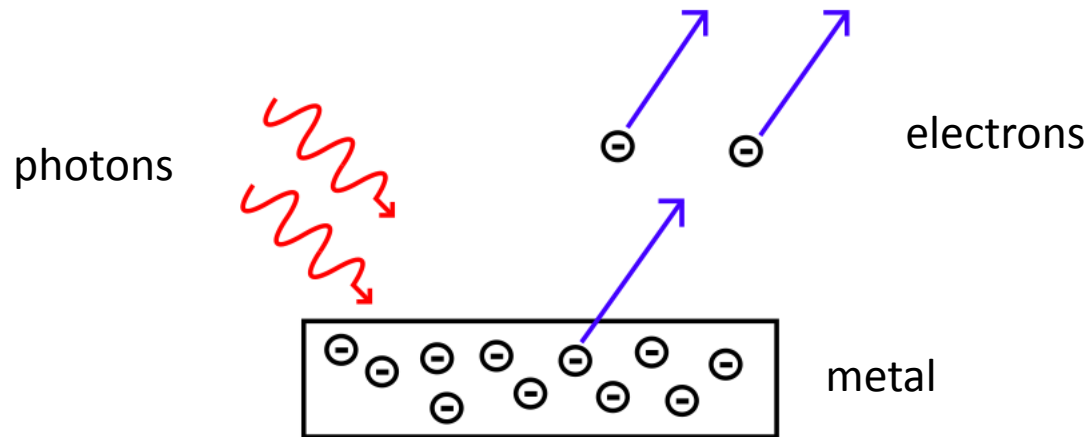
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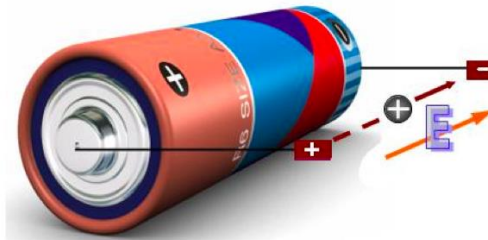
**Quantum of light = photon**

## Photoelectric effect



$$E = h f \quad (\text{Planck 1900})$$

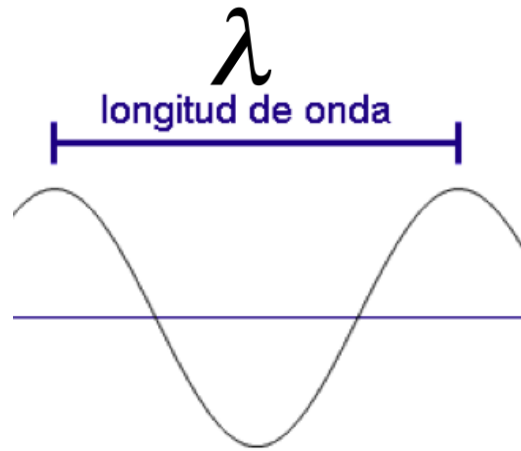
Energy of a yellow photon  $E \approx 2$  electrón-voltios





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1892-1987

## *Particles are also waves*

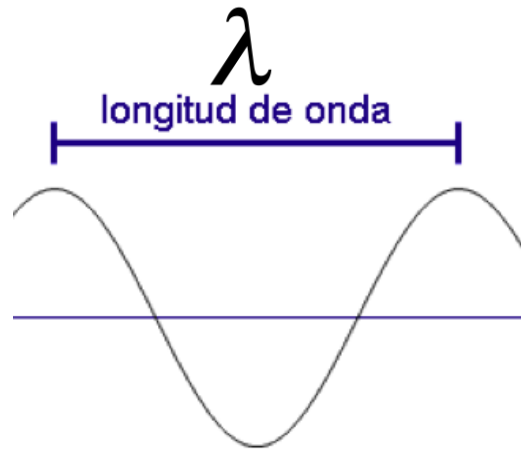


$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$



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## Matrix Mechanics / uncertainty principle



Werner Heisenberg  
1901- 1976

$$[x, p] = i \hbar$$

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$



## Wave function / Time evolution

$$i \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left( -\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + V(\vec{x}) \right) \psi$$

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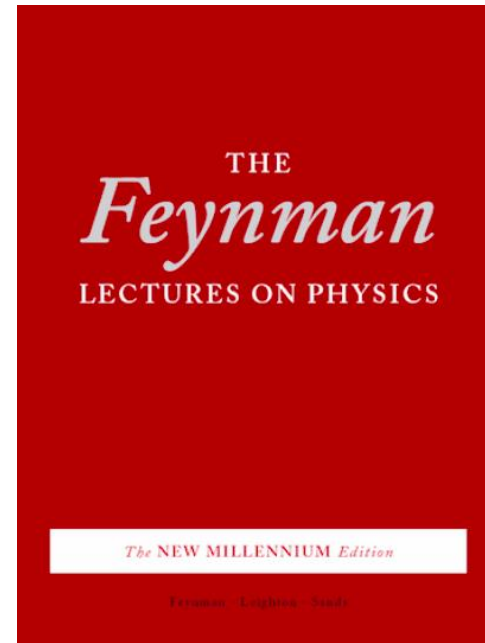
Max Born  
1882 - 1970

## Probabilistic interpretation

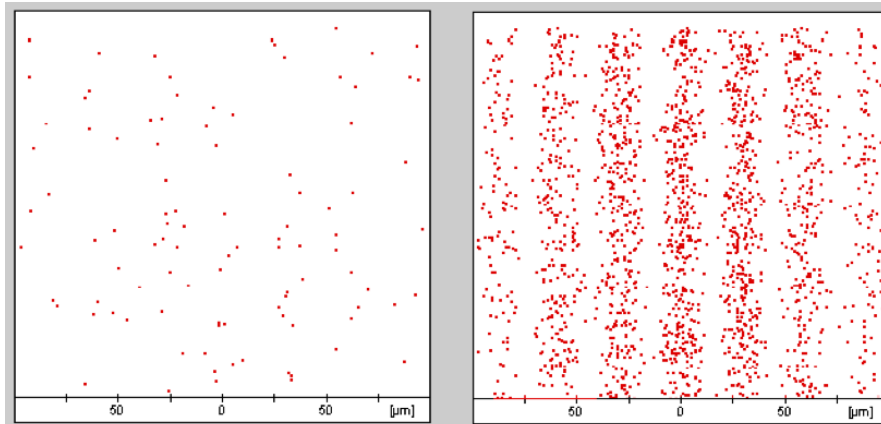
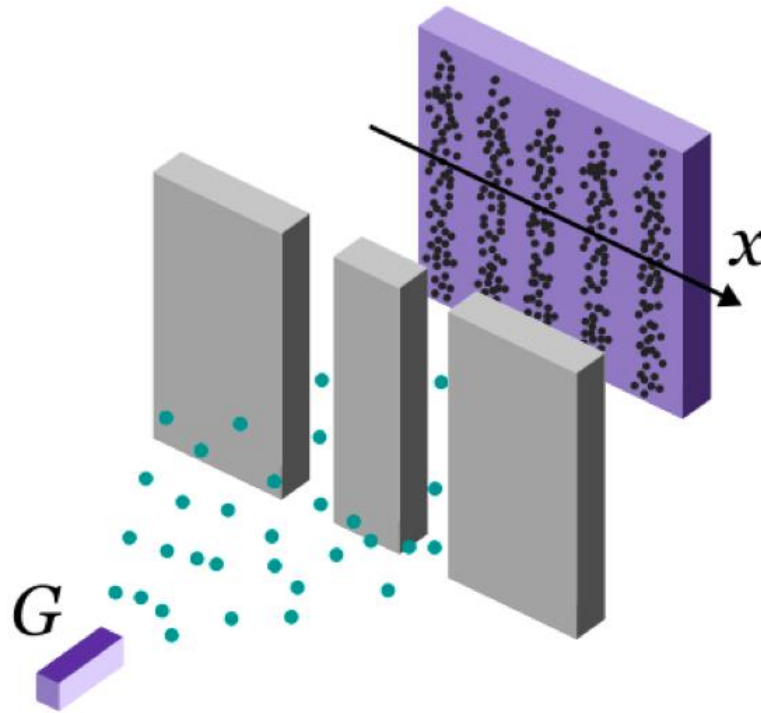
$$\frac{dP}{dV} = |\psi(\vec{x})|^2$$



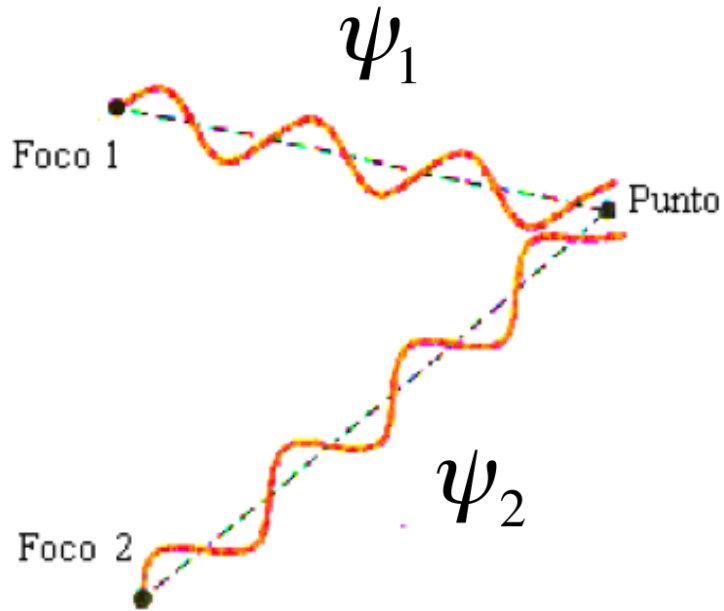
Richard Feynmann : ***Quantum Mechanics can be understood by giving it a lot of thought  
1918 - 1988 to the double slit experiment***



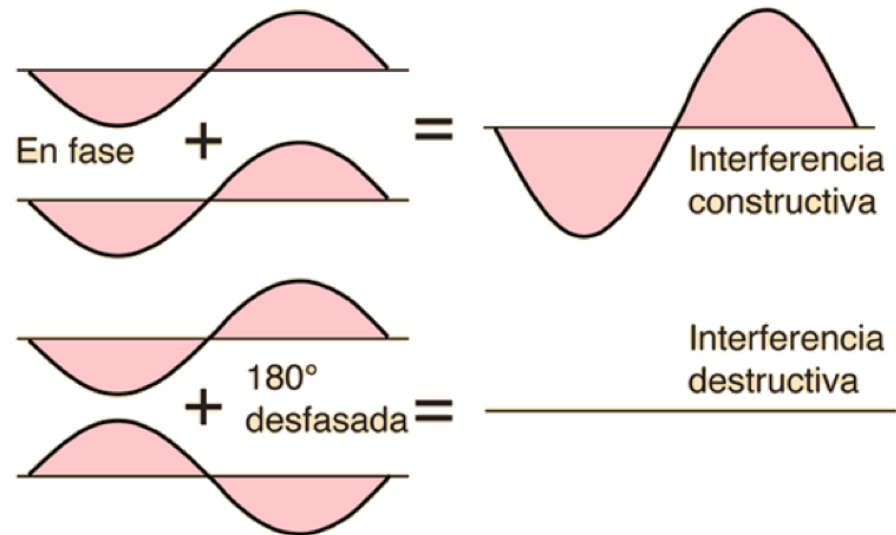
# Double slit experiment with electrons



# Interference and superposition principle



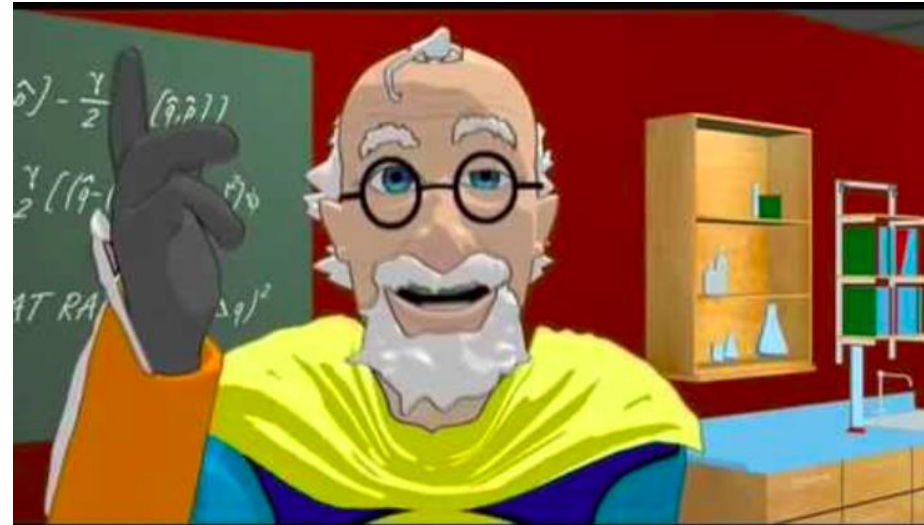
$$\psi_1 + \psi_2$$



See in YouTube

Dr. Quantum – Double Slit experiment

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQJ4yX1I6to>



Paradox: the electron "passes" through both slits  
INTERFERING WITH ITSELF

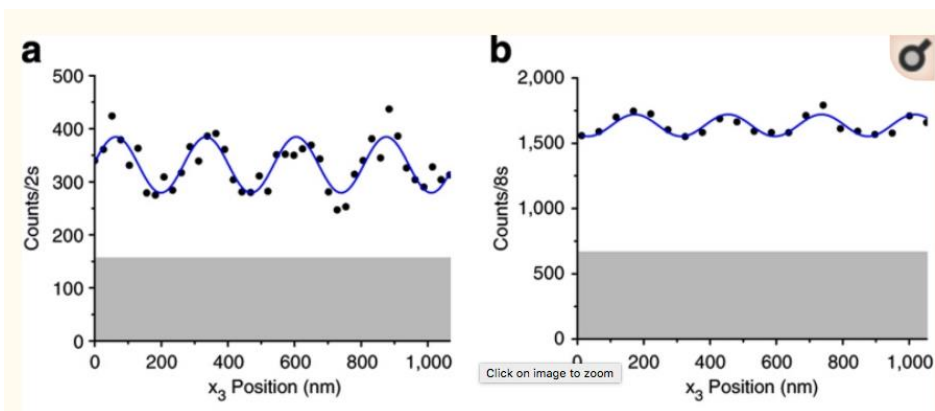
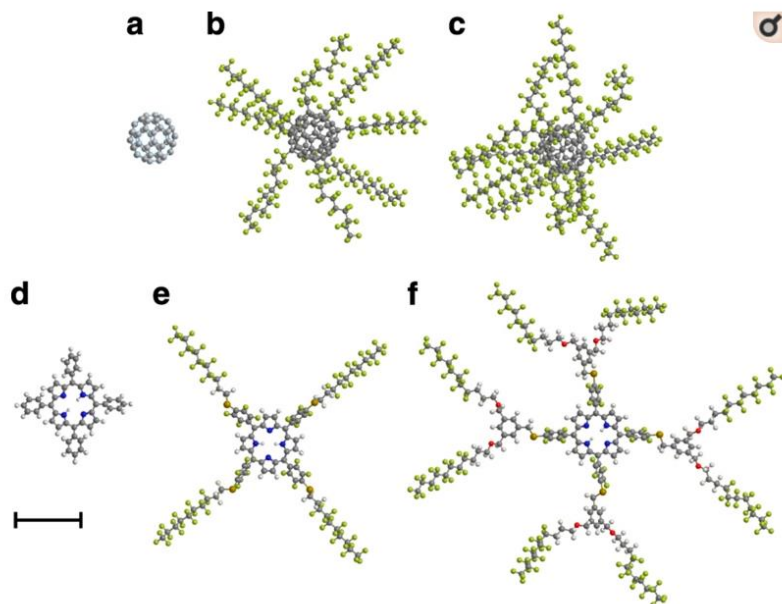


“Quantum” Skier

Classical Observer

# Quantum interference of large organic molecules

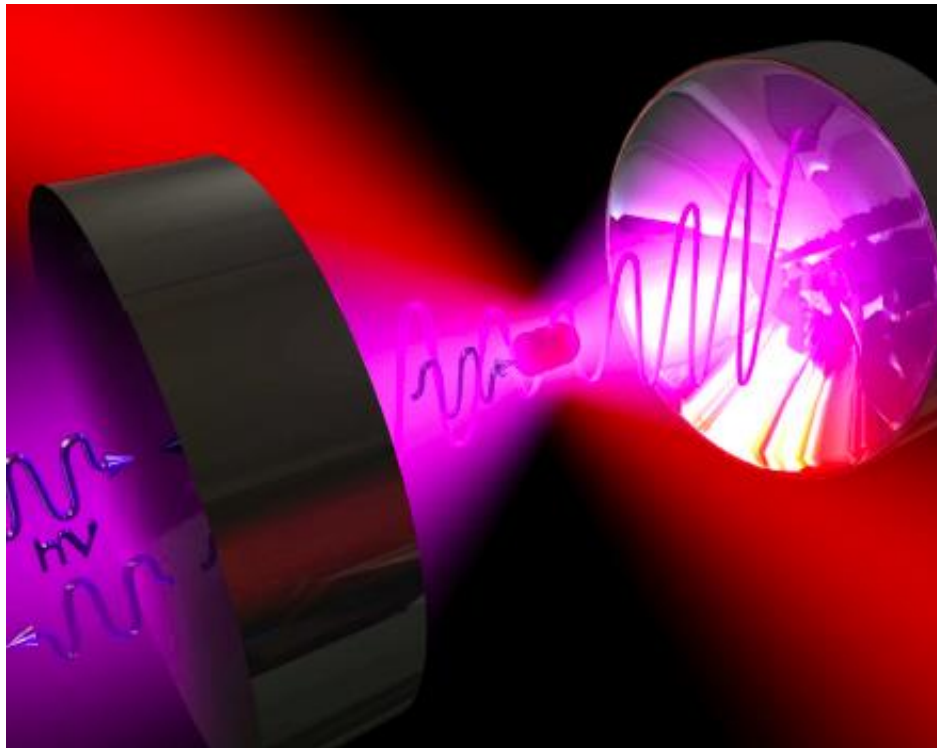
[Stefan Gerlich](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Sandra Eibenberger](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Mathias Tomandl](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Stefan Nimmrichter](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Klaus Hornberger](#)<sup>2</sup>, [Paul J. Fagan](#)<sup>3</sup>, [Jens Tüxen](#)<sup>4</sup>, [Marcel Mayor](#)<sup>4,5</sup> and [Markus Arndt](#)<sup>a,1</sup>



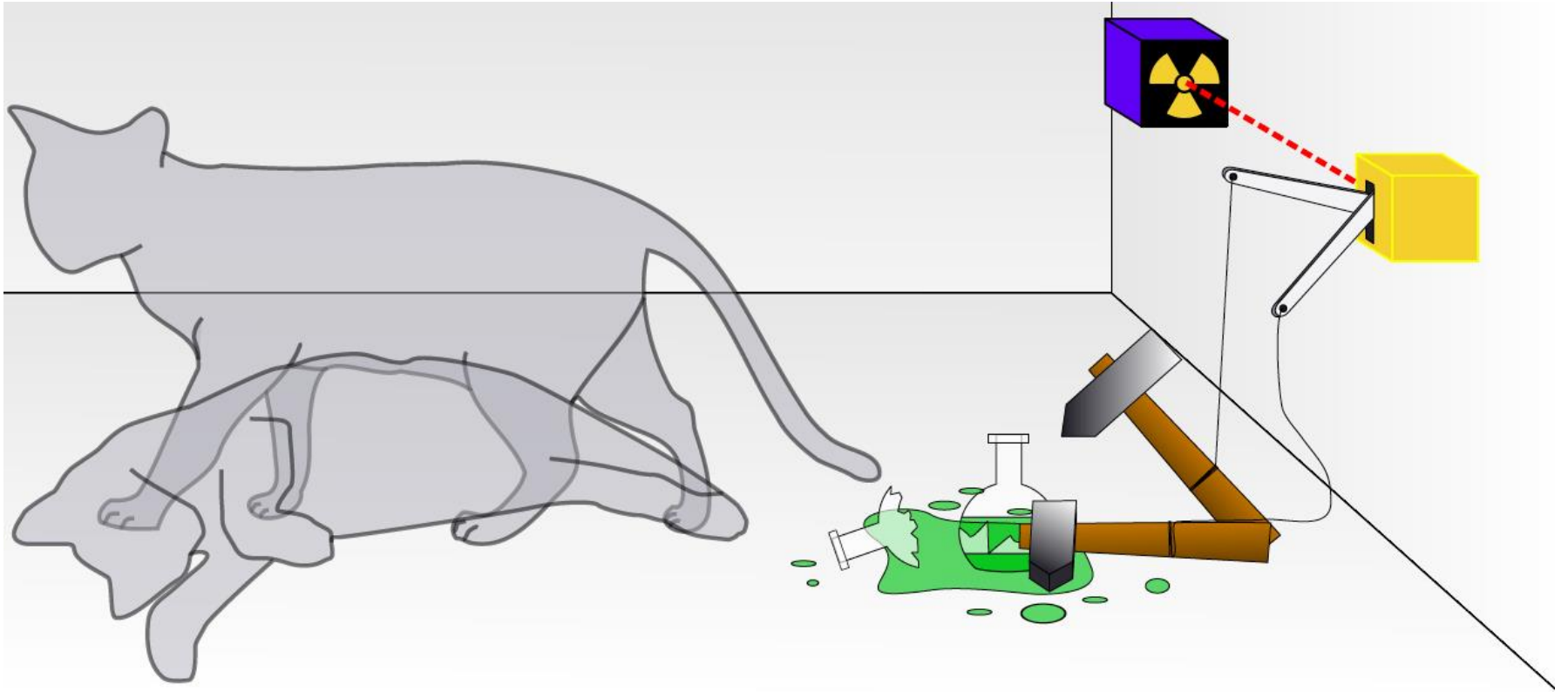
# Toward Quantum Superposition of Living Organisms (2010)

Oriol Romero-Isart<sup>1</sup>, Mathieu L. Juan<sup>2</sup>, Romain Quidant<sup>2,3</sup>, and J. Ignacio Cirac<sup>1</sup>

Protocol to create superposition of macroscopic objects including living beings.  
Explore the role of life and consciousness in Quantum Mechanics.



## Paradox: Schrödinger cat (1935)

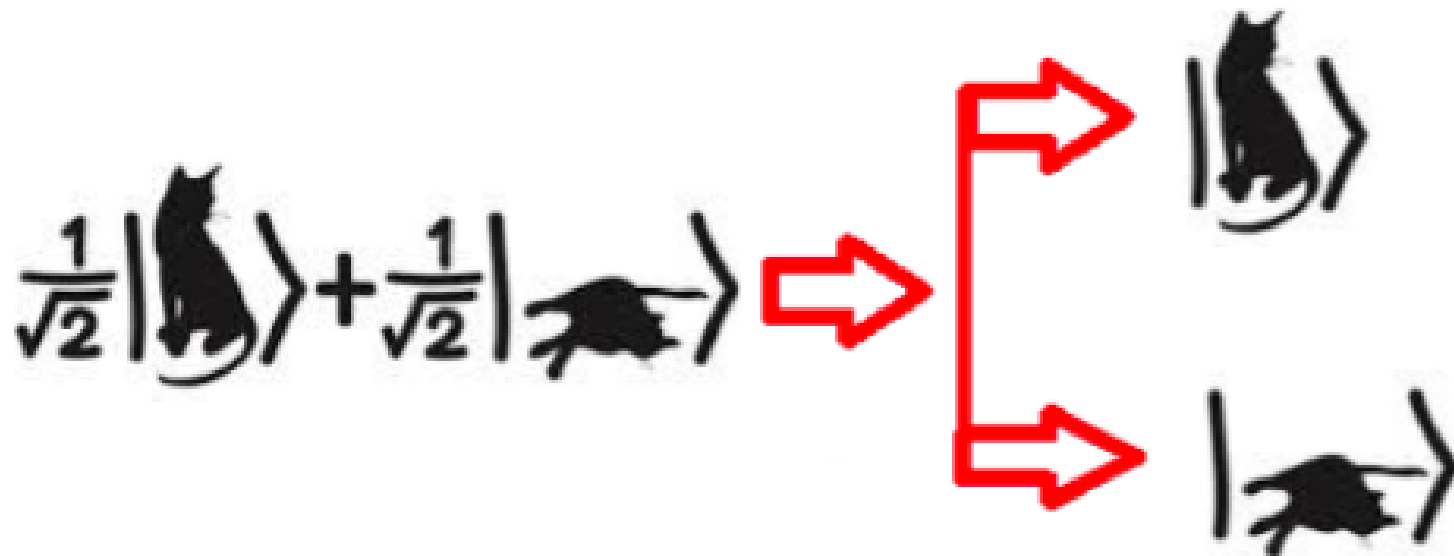


$$\psi = \textit{Dead} + \textit{Alive}$$



## *Copenhagen interpretation*

Opening the box produces the COLLAPSE of the wave function



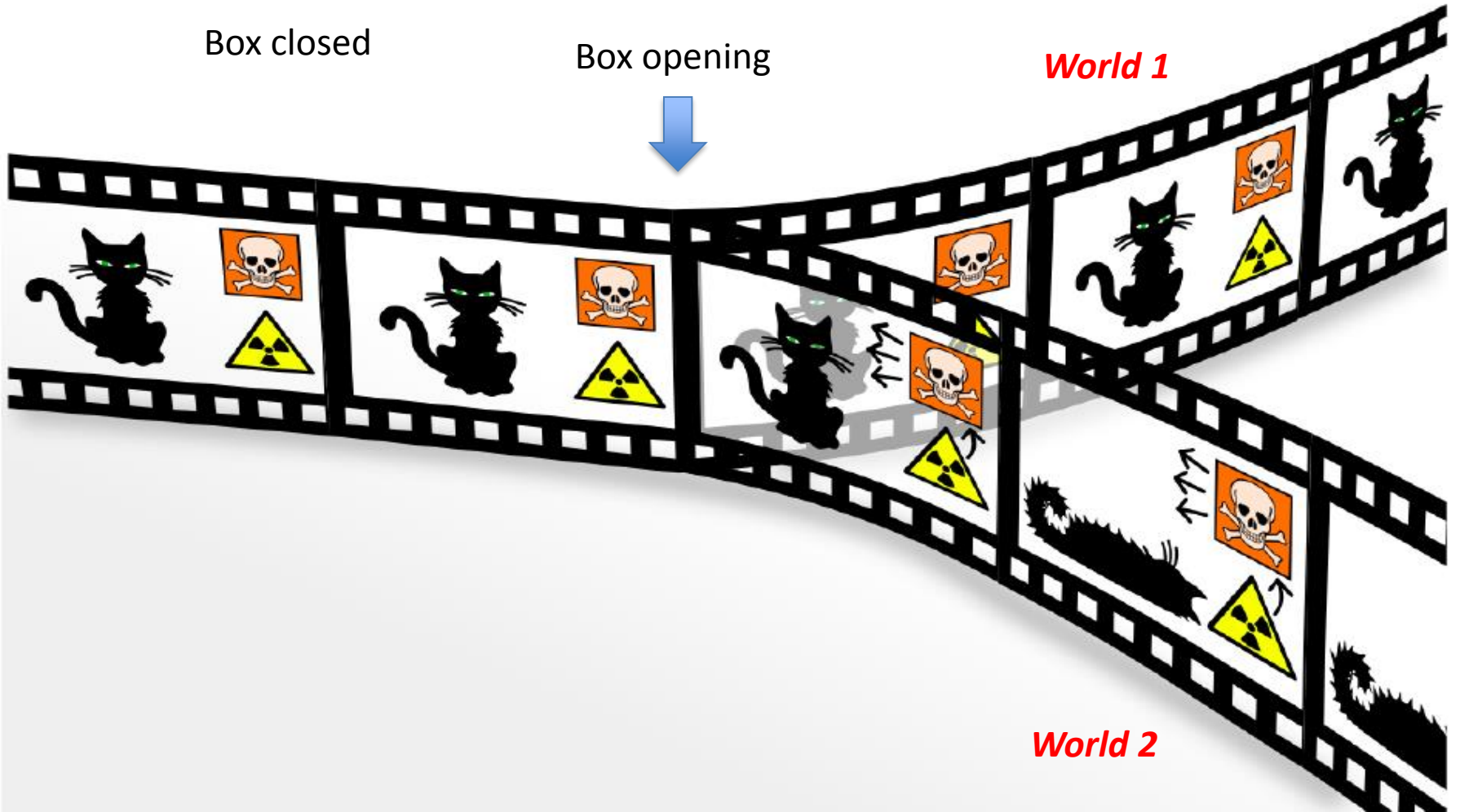
# Many world interpretation

Box closed

Box opening

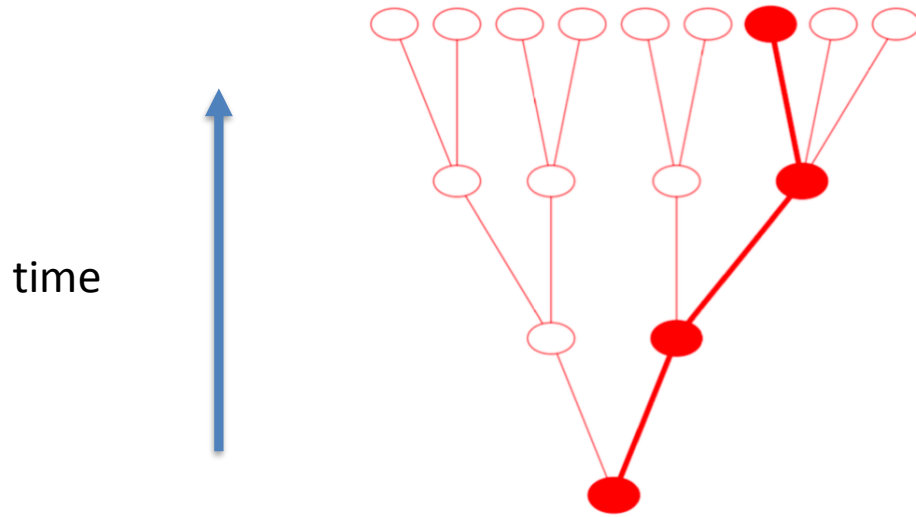


*World 1*



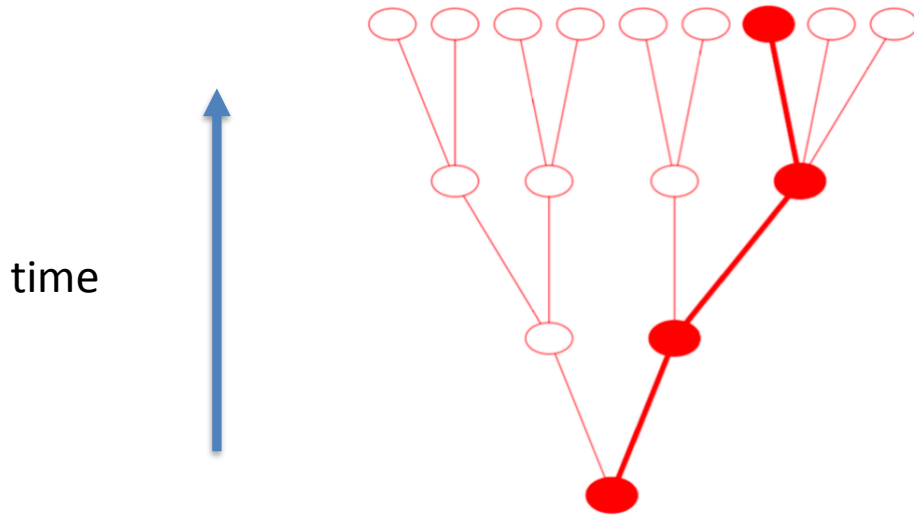
*World 2*

# Many world interpretation: Hugh Everett (1957)



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Anticipated in literature by Jorge Luis Borges

in the story "The Garden of Forking Paths" (1941)

***"El jardín de senderos que se bifurcan"***

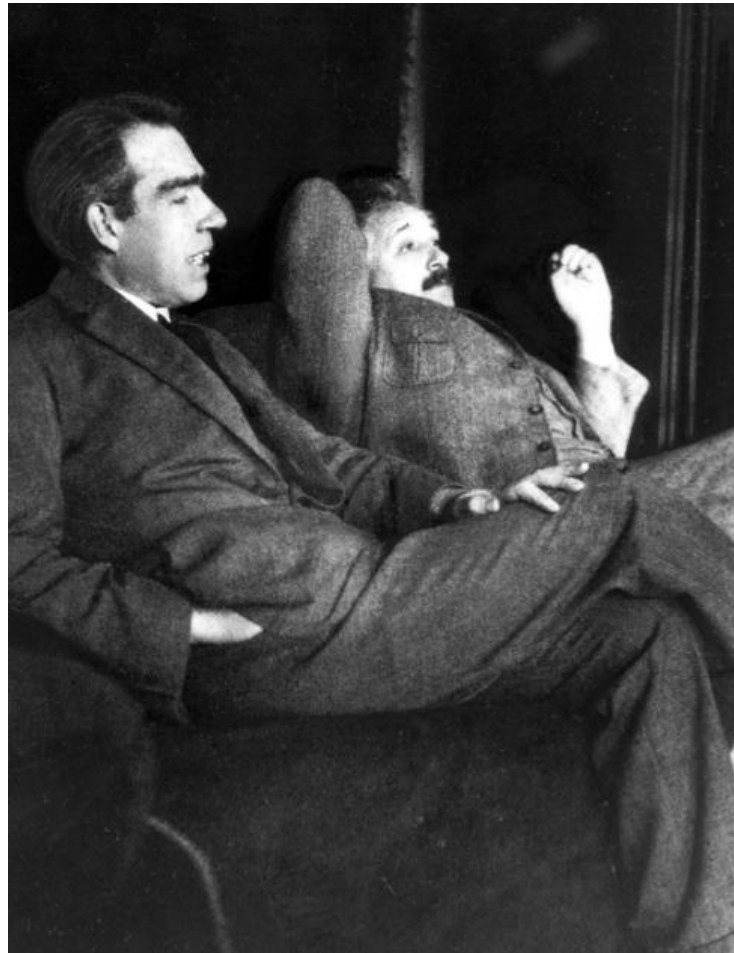
*"Unlike Newton and Schopenhauer, his ancestor did not believe in a uniform, absolute time. He believed in infinite series of times, in a growing and dizzying network of divergent, convergent and parallel times...."*



Jorge Luis Borges  
1899 - 1966

**Einstein:** I am convinced that God does not play dice.  
Do you think the moon is not there when we are not looking at it?

**Bohr:** Don't tell God what to do



Einstein and Bohr  
1925

# Einstein, Podolsky and Rosen paradox (1935)



MAY 15, 1935

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## Can Quantum-Mechanical Description of Physical Reality Be Considered Complete?

A. EINSTEIN, B. PODOLSKY AND N. ROSEN, *Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey*

(Received March 25, 1935)

*New York Times* in May of 1935

# EINSTEIN ATTACKS QUANTUM THEORY

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Scientist and Two Colleagues  
Find It Is Not 'Complete'  
Even Though 'Correct.'

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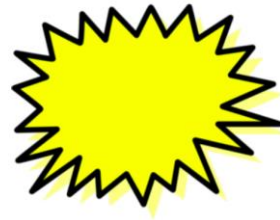
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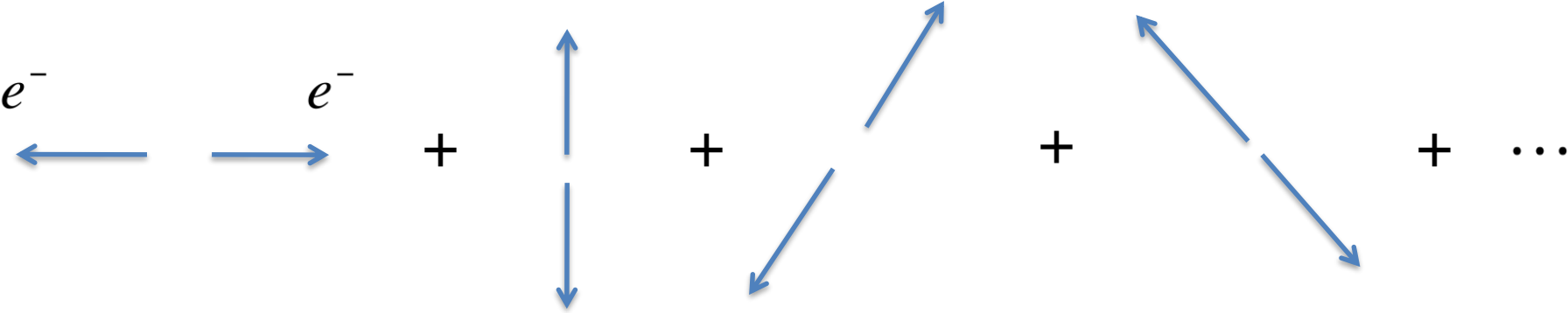
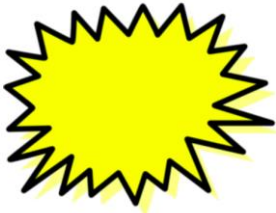
## EPR : Gedanken experiment

$$e^{-} \xrightarrow{\vec{p}} \quad \xleftarrow{-\vec{p}} e^{-}$$



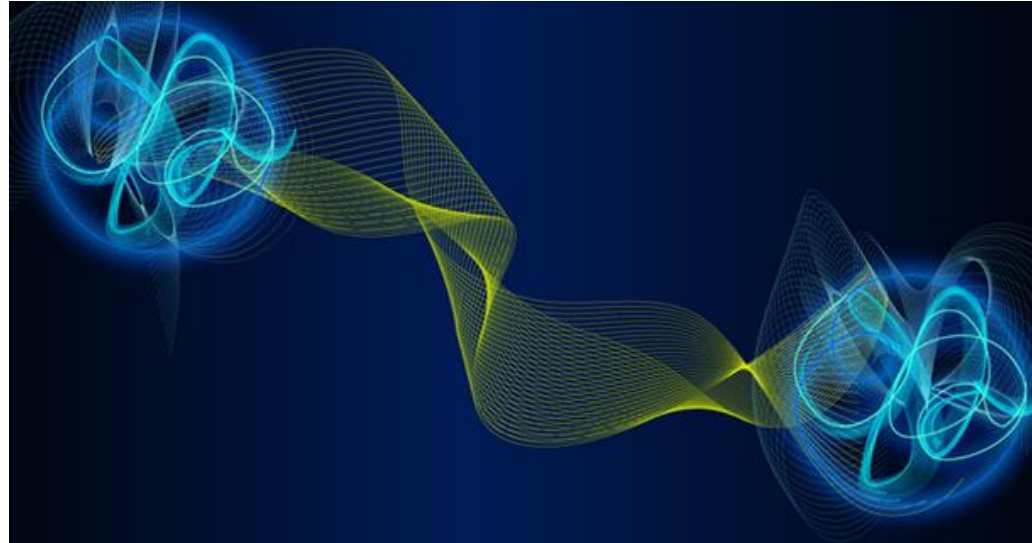


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Superposition of two electron with opposite momentum

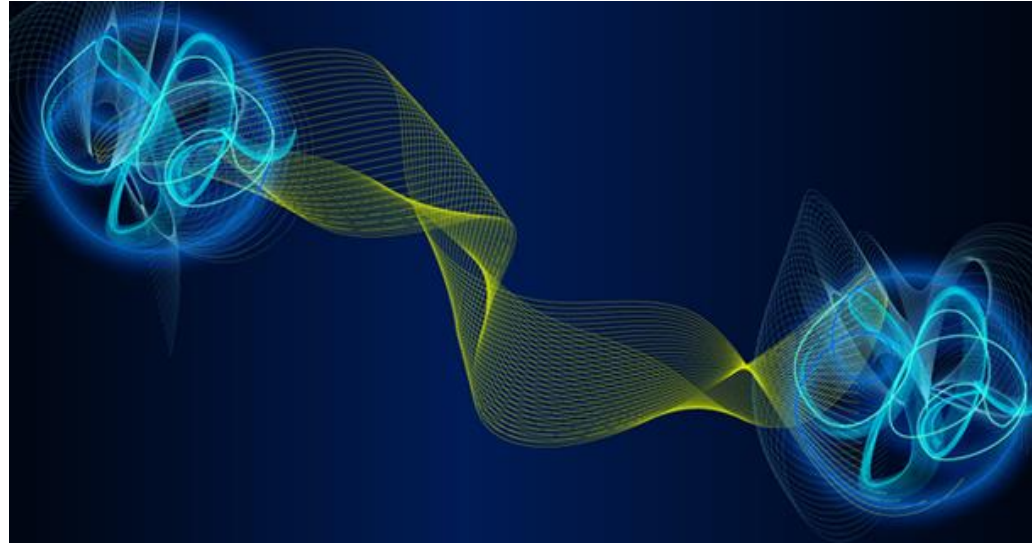
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Hidden variable theories



Schrödinger called entanglement  
this instantaneous action at a distance (1935)

Verschränkung (german)

*Entanglement is not one, but the characteristic feature of Quantum  
Mechanics, which imposes its total departure from classical Physics*



David Bohm  
1917-1992

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Theory of “pilot waves” of de Broglie and Bohm



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John von Neumann  
1903-1957

Von Neumann theorem:

Hidden variable theories are incompatible with  
Quantum Mechanics

## *Two interpretations of the physical reality*

### Local Realism (EPR-hidden variables)

The observable quantities have a value prior to their measurement

### Quantum Mechanics

The observable quantities DO NOT have a value prior to their measurement

*After this discussion a DICTUM was imposed*

“Shut up and calculate”



*After this discussion a DICTUM was imposed*

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*but one should*





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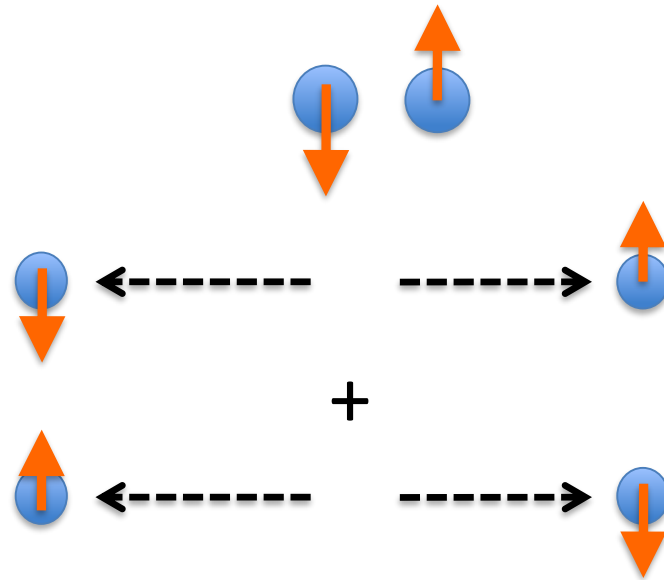
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It would be possible to falsify "local realism" with an experiment

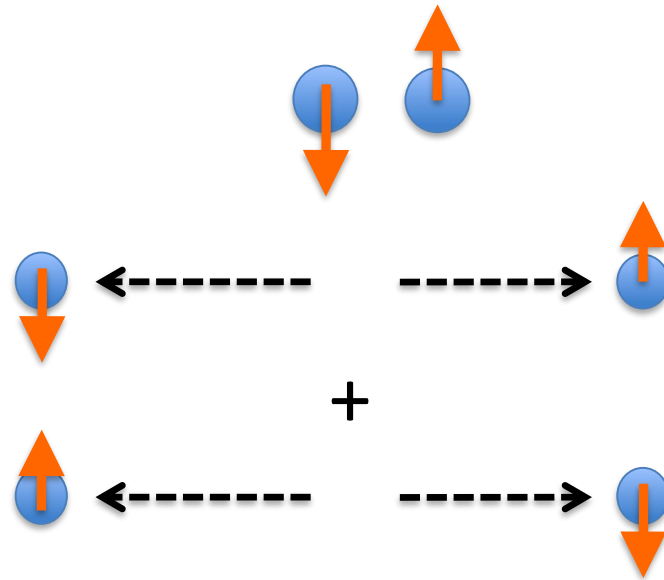
*Bell inequalities (1964)*

# Bell experiment

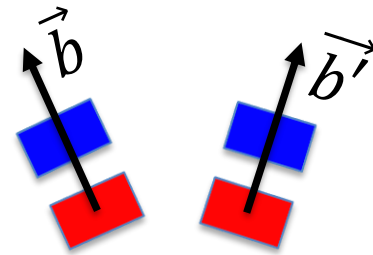
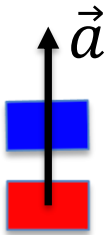
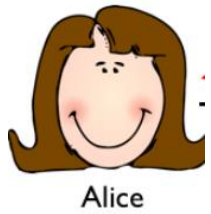
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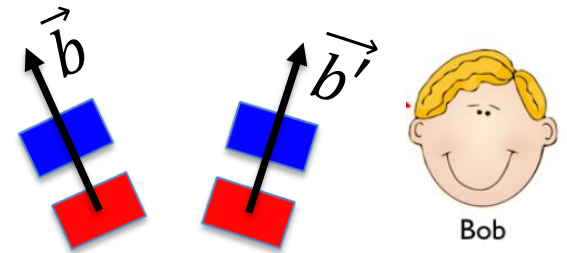
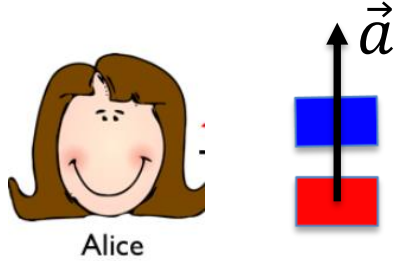
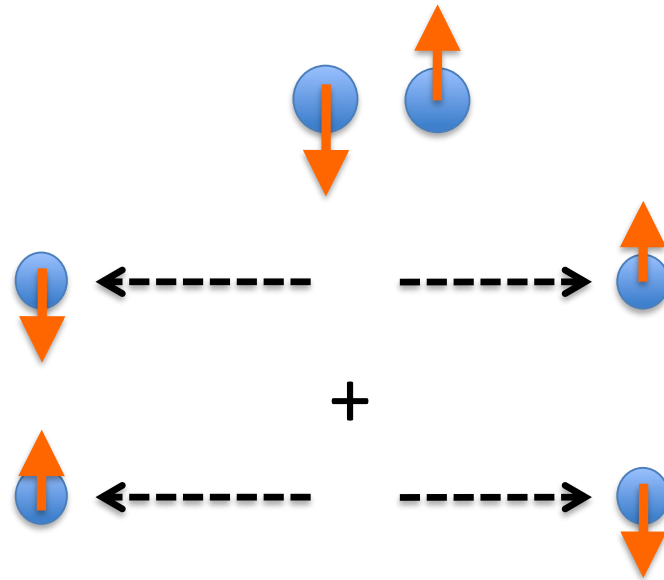


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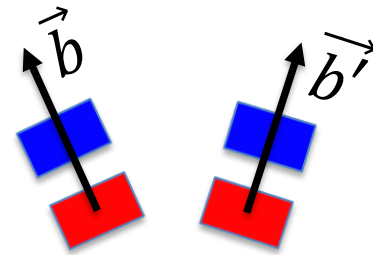
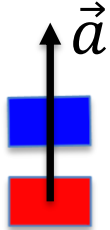
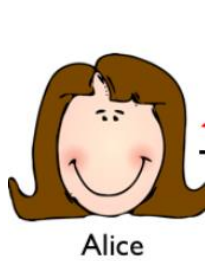
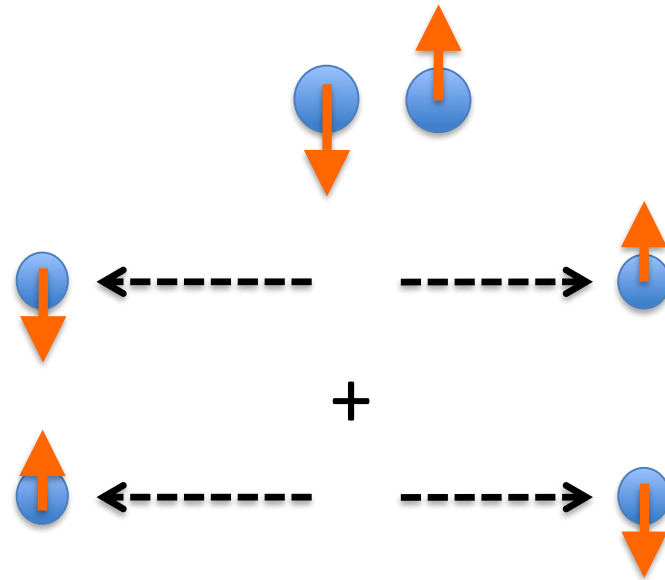
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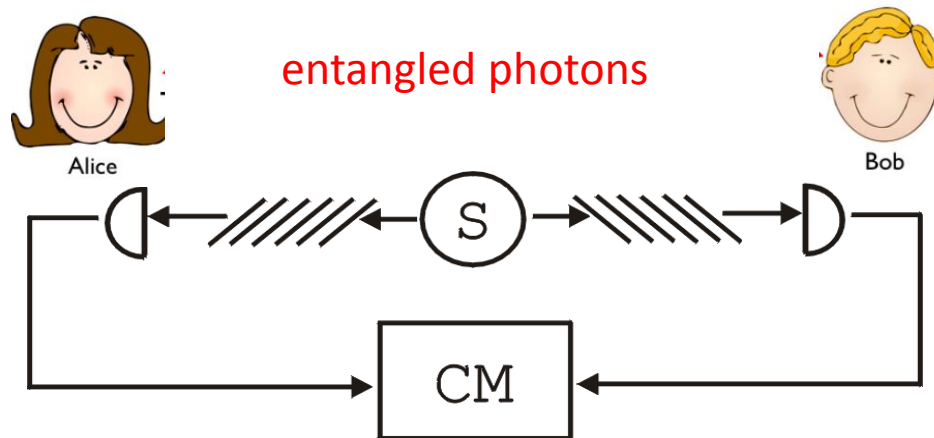
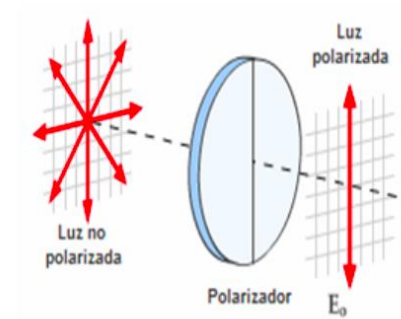


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Quantum Mechanics  $P(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = -\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$  can violate this inequality

# Experiments to verify Bell's inequality

- electrons -> photons
- spin -> polarization



Monitor of coincidences



## Aspect's experiments (1981)

CHSH inequality

$$-2 \leq S \leq 2$$

Quantum prediction

$$S_{MC} = 2.70 \pm 0.05$$

Experimental result

$$S_{\text{exp}} = 2.697 \pm 0.01$$



Alan Aspect  
1947

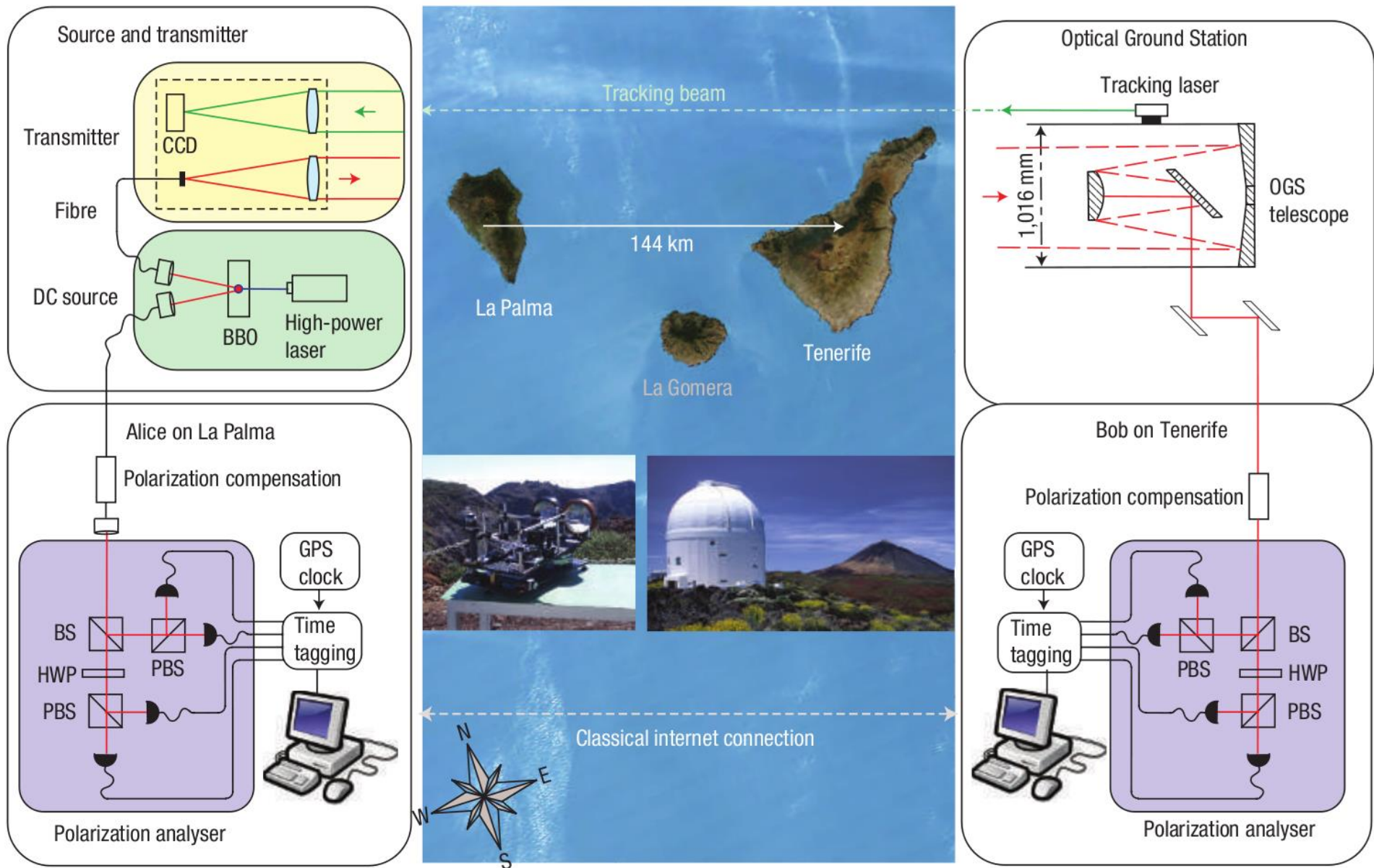
~~LOCAL REALISM~~

## Bell experiment in Austria, Innsbruck (1998)



G. Weihs, T. Jennewein, C. Simon, H. Weinfurter, A. Zeilinger,

# Bell experiment in Canary islands (2007)



# QESS (Quantum Entanglement at Space Scale) 2016-2018



Joint Project China and Austria

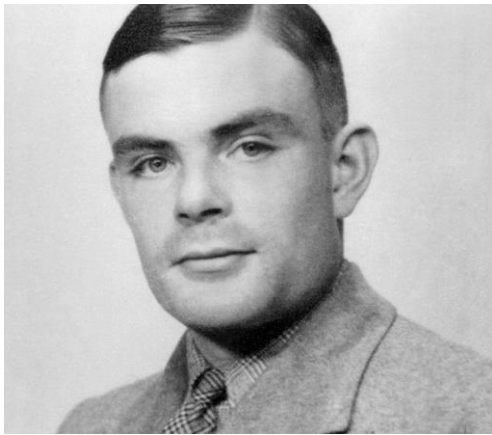
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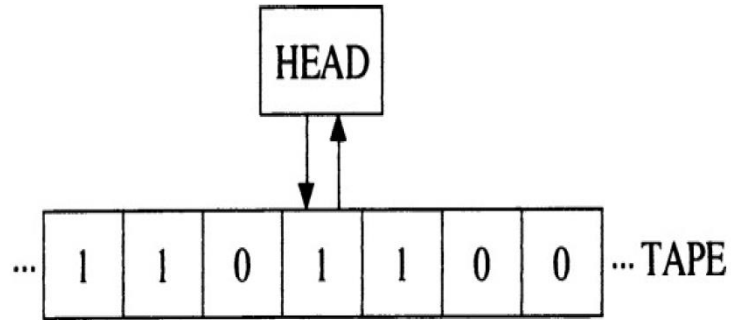
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Alan Turing (1914-1944)

# Turing machine



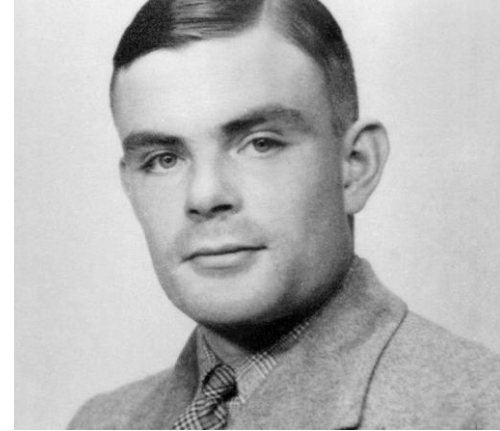
**Program :**

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$s_1$	$b$	$s_2$	$b$	$l$
$s_2$	$b$	$s_3$	$b$	$l$
$s_2$	$1$	$s_2$	$1$	$l$
$s_3$	$b$	$H$	$b$	$-$
$s_3$	$1$	$s_4$	$b$	$r$
$s_4$	$b$	$s_2$	$1$	$l$

$$b 1 \dots 1 b b 1 \dots 1 \begin{matrix} s_1 \downarrow \\ b \end{matrix} \rightarrow b 1 \overset{n_1+n_2}{\dots} 1 b \rightarrow \text{Halt}$$



Alonzo Church (1903-1995)



Alan Turing (1914-1944)

## The Church-Turing thesis (1936)

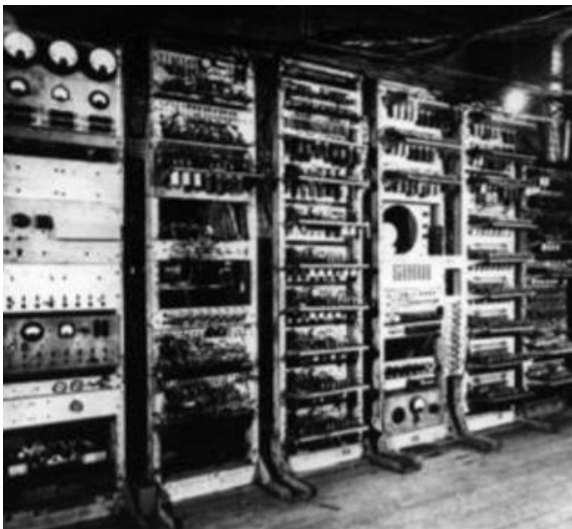
*Any algorithmic process can be simulated efficiently using a Turing machine*



# Turing, computers and cryptography



[Enigma machine](#)  
[Museo scienza e tecnologia Milano,](#)

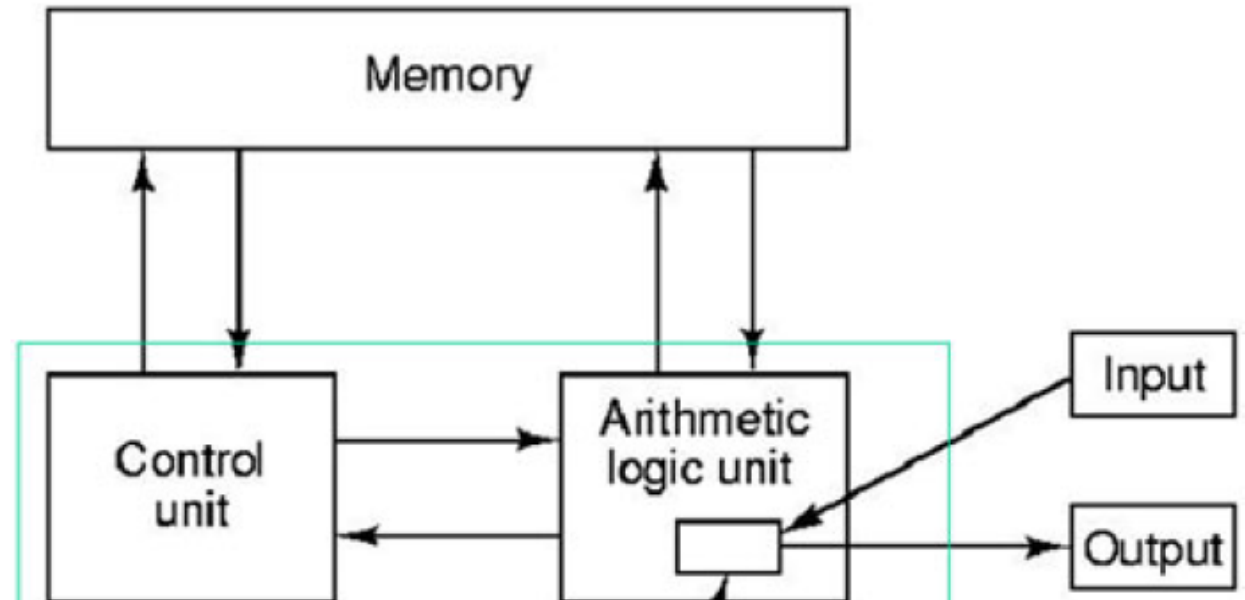


*Electronic computer at the Manchester university 1950*



John von Neumann  
1903-1957

## The architect of the computers



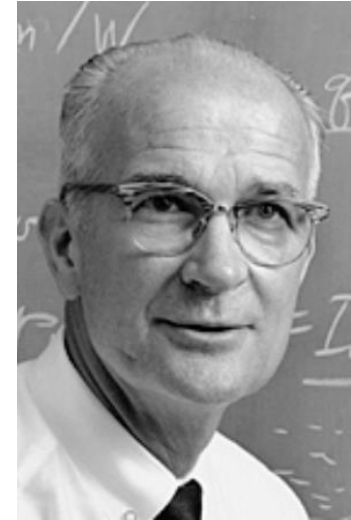
## The first transistor (1947)



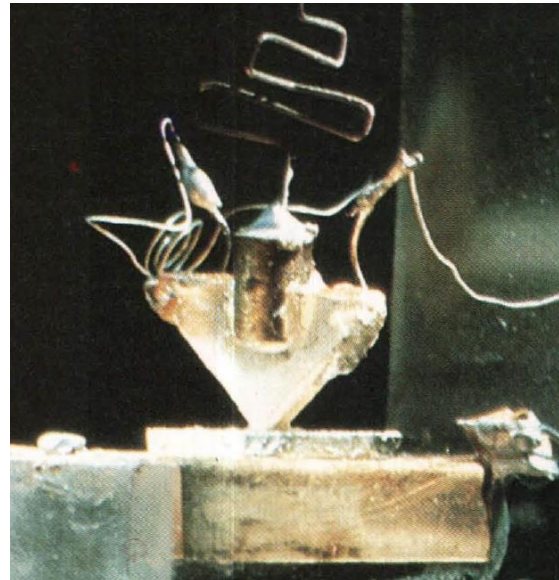
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1908-1991



Walter Brattain  
1902-1987

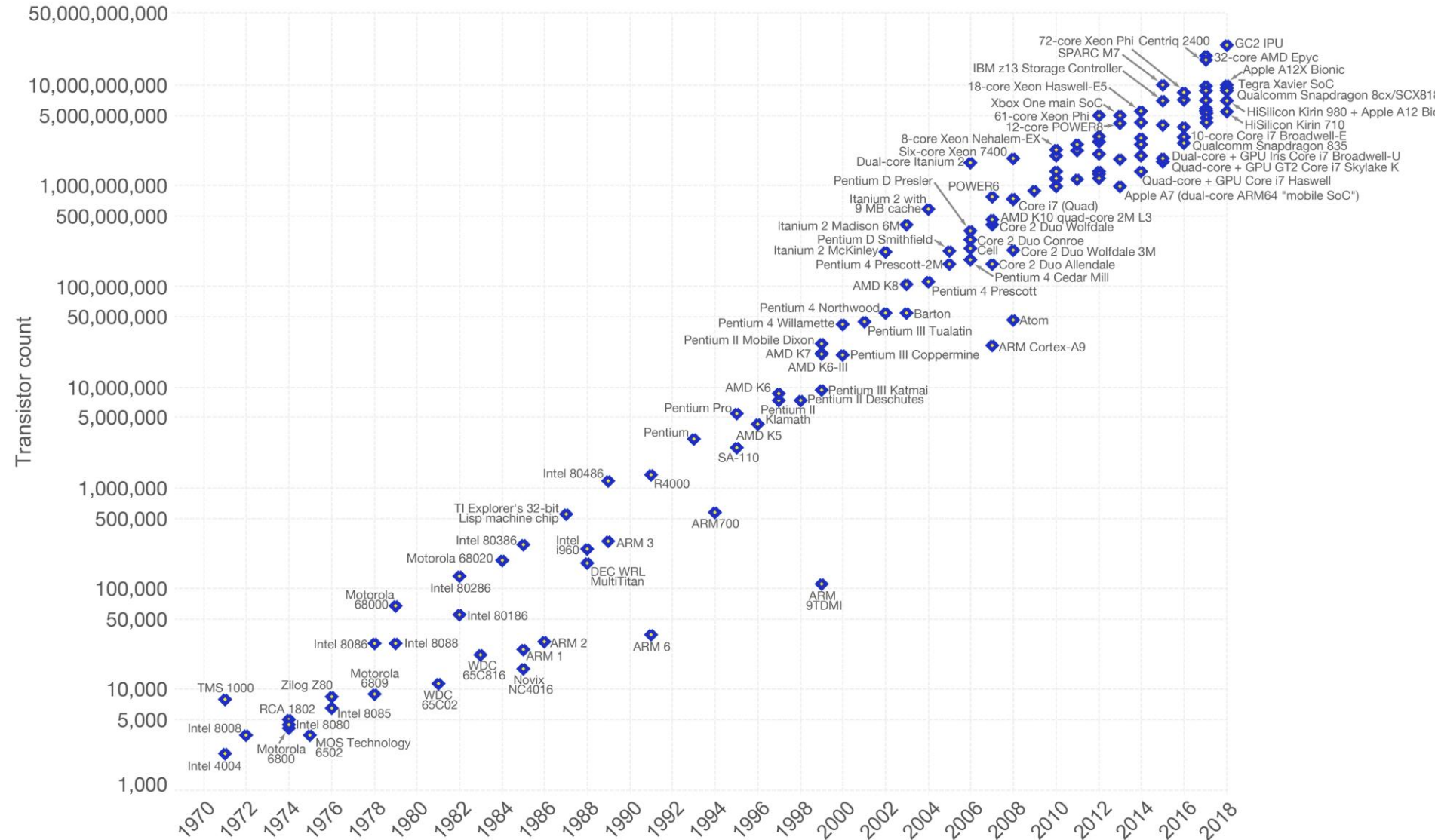


William Shockley  
1902-1987



# Moore's Law – The number of transistors on integrated circuit chips (1971-2018)

Moore's law describes the empirical regularity that the number of transistors on integrated circuits doubles approximately every two years. This advancement is important as other aspects of technological progress – such as processing speed or the price of electronic products – are linked to Moore's law.



Data source: Wikipedia ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transistor\\_count](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transistor_count))

The data visualization is available at [OurWorldinData.org](https://www.ourworldindata.org). There you find more visualizations and research on this topic.

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Richard Feynman  
1918-1988

# Simulating Physics with Computers

Richard P. Feynman 1982

**Nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of nature, you'd better make it quantum mechanical, and by golly it's a wonderful problem, because it doesn't look so easy.**



David Deutsch 1953

Quantum theory, the Church–Turing principle and  
the universal quantum computer

BY D. DEUTSCH

1985

Proposed a quantum generalization of the Turing machines

= Quantum Computer

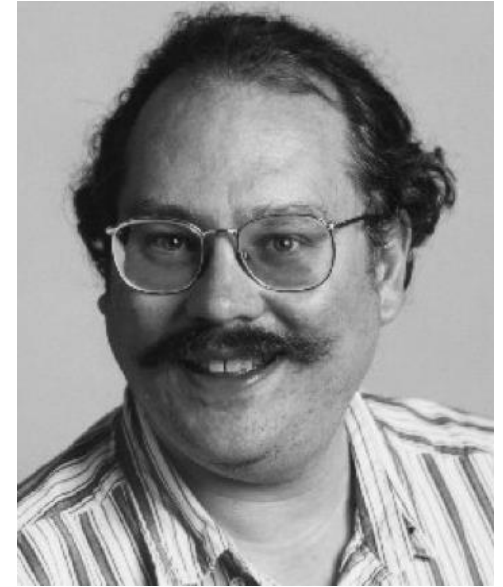
# Title: Polynomial-Time Algorithms for Prime Factorization and Discrete Logarithms on a Quantum Computer

Authors: [Peter W. Shor](#) (AT&T Research)

[arXiv:quant-ph/9508027](#)

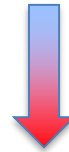
**Computational time Prime factorization**

N: integer,  $n = \log N$ : number of digits



Peter Shor 1959

Best classical algorithm:  $O\left(e^{1.9 n^{1/3} (\log n)^{2/3}}\right)$



**Exponential speedup**

Shor's algorithm:  $O(n^2 \log n \log \log n)$



## A fast quantum mechanical algorithm for database search

[arXiv:quant-ph/9605043](https://arxiv.org/abs/quant-ph/9605043)

Lov Grover 1996

Searching an item in a list of  $N$  data takes classically order  $N$  steps

In a quantum computer it takes order  $\sqrt{N}$

**quadratic speedup**       $N \rightarrow \sqrt{N}$



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**Information Theory**

# Information theory

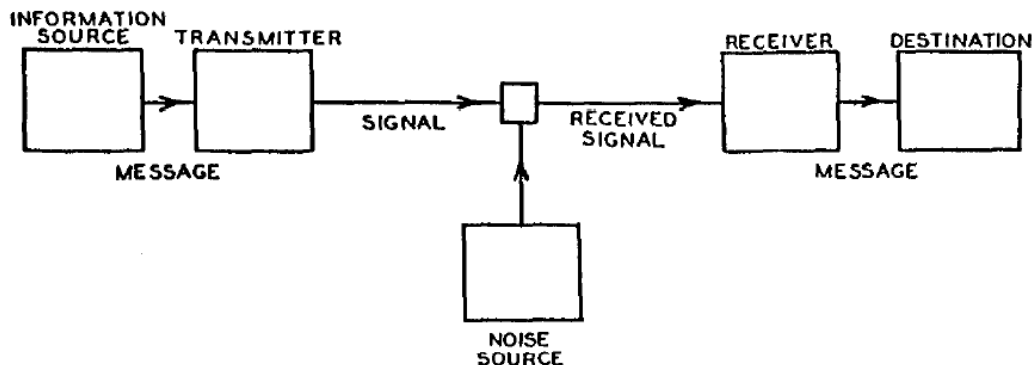


Claude Shannon  
1916-2001

# A Mathematical Theory of Communication

By C. E. SHANNON

Published in THE BELL SYSTEM TECHNICAL JOURNAL 1948



Capacity of a communication channel

$$C = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log N(T)}{T}$$

Measure of information: Entropy

$$H = -K \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log p_i$$

**Noiseless channel coding theorem** -> optimal resources to store information

**Noisy channel coding theorem** -> amount of information that can be reliably transmitted

**Error correcting codes** -> to protect information transmitted from the noise

The [Minivac 601](#), a digital computer trainer designed by Shannon.

1962





Benjamin Schumacher

## Quantum coding

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Quantum version of Shannon theory

Shannon entropy  $\rightarrow$  von Neumann entropy

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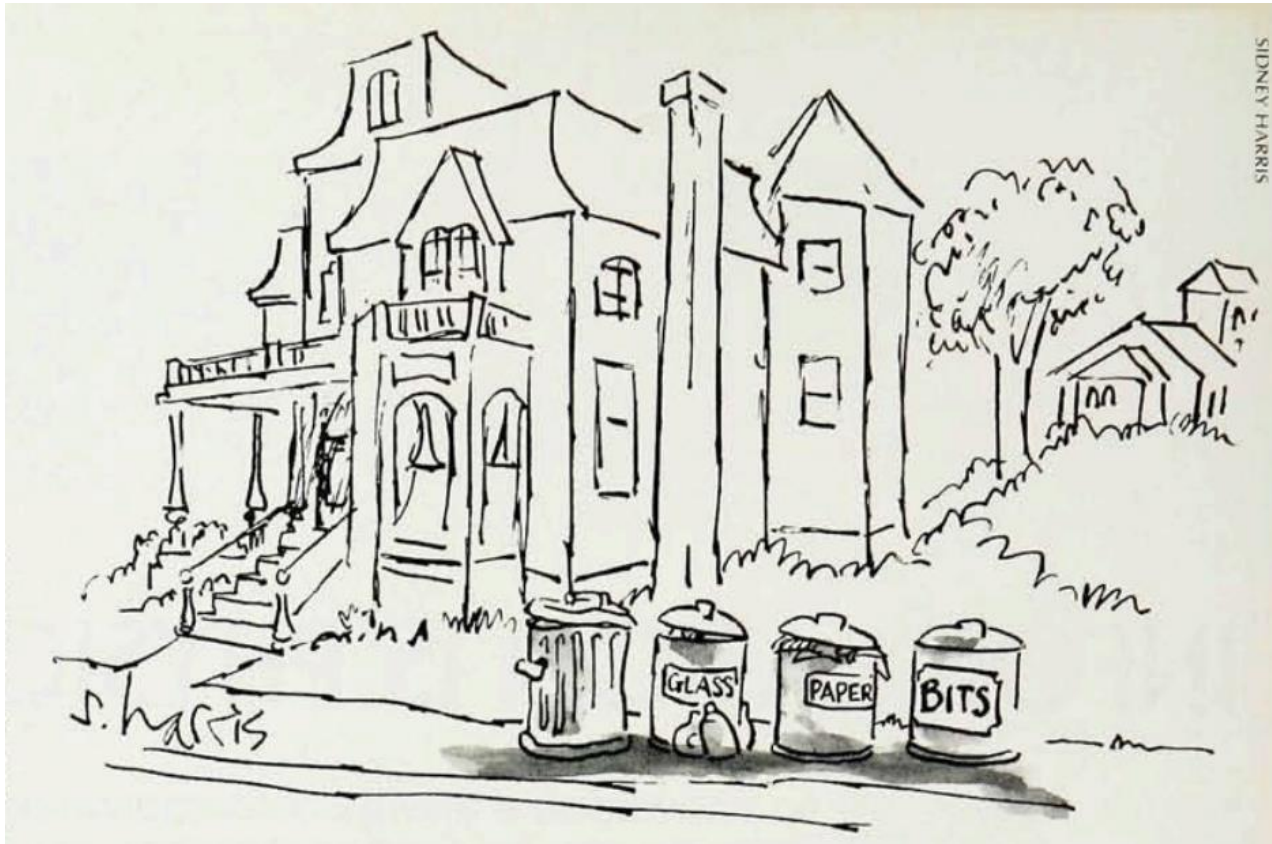
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# *Information is physical*

Physics Today 44, 5, 23 (1991)



Rolf Landauer  
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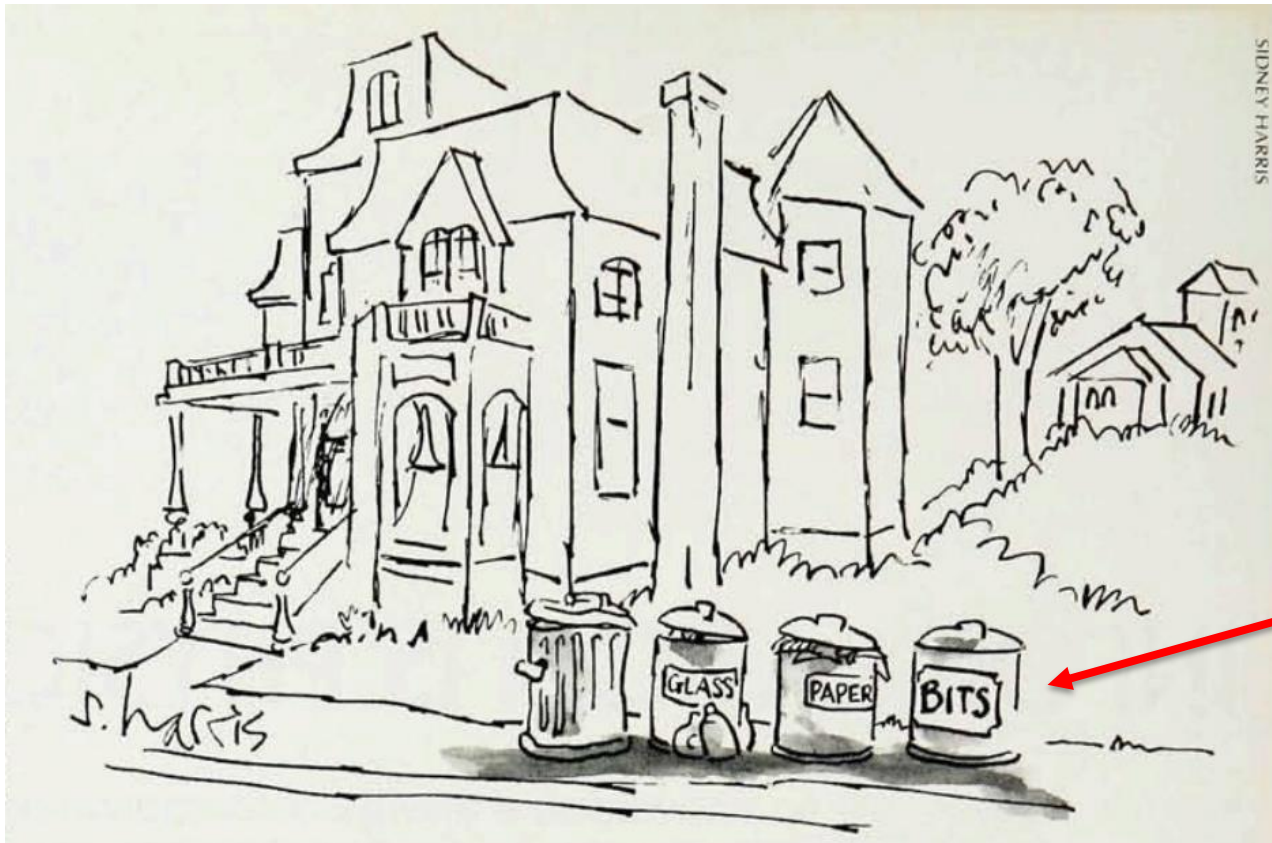
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Landauer principle

$$E = k_B T \ln 2$$





# Cryptography

*See talk “Introduction to Quantum Communication”  
by Vicente Martin (UPM), Thursday 2nd Sept*

# QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY: PUBLIC KEY DISTRIBUTION AND COIN TOSSING

1984

Charles H. Bennett (IBM Research, Yorktown Heights NY 10598 USA)  
Gilles Brassard (dept. IRO, Univ. de Montreal, H3C 3J7 Canada)

When elementary quantum systems, such as polarized photons, are used to transmit digital information, the uncertainty principle gives rise to novel cryptographic phenomena unachievable with traditional transmission media, e.g. a communications channel on which it is impossible in principle to eavesdrop without a high probability of disturbing the transmission in such a way as to be detected. Such a quantum channel can be used in conjunction with ordinary insecure classical channels to distribute random key information between two users with the assurance that it remains unknown to anyone else, even when the users share no secret information initially. We also present a protocol for coin-tossing by exchange of quantum messages, which is secure against traditional kinds of cheating, even by an opponent with unlimited computing power, but, ironically can be subverted by use of a still subtler quantum phenomenon, the Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen paradox.



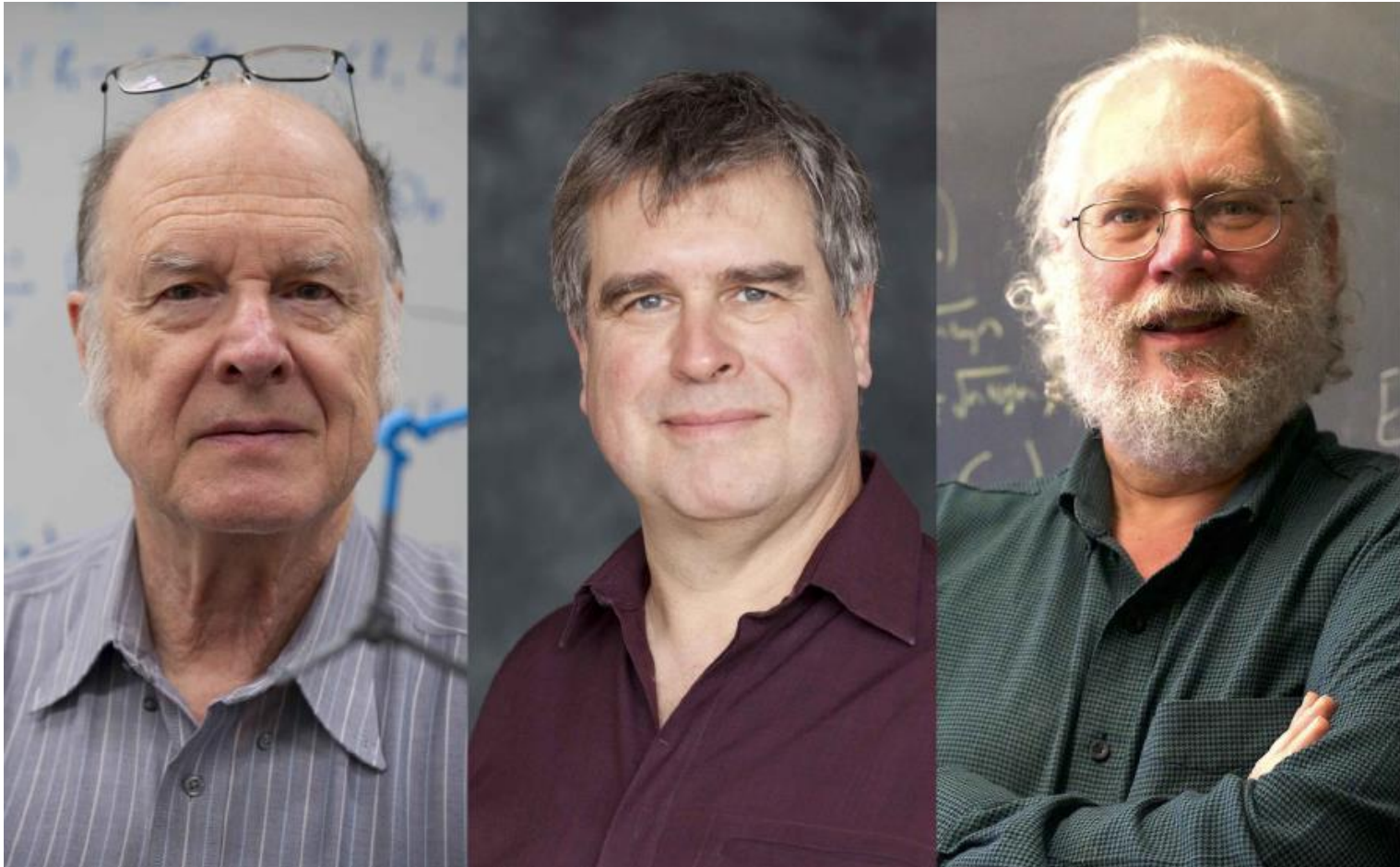
Charles Bennet 1943



Gilles Brassard 1955

The BBVA prize [Frontiers of Knowledge Award in Basic Sciences](#)

to Charles Bennett, Gilles Brassard, and Peter Shor in 2019 for their respective roles in the development of quantum computing and cryptography



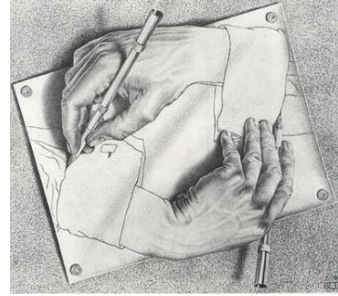
***The 19th century was the era of steam power, the 20th century was the era of information, and the 21st century will go down in history as the quantum age, the age in which quantum technologies dominate all the changes occurring in society, in a way we cannot yet foresee.”***

G. Brassard,

2019

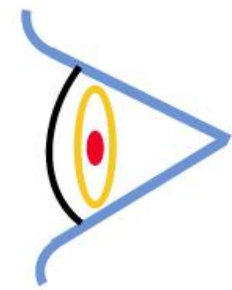


# Principles of Quantum Mechanics in a nutshell



**Information**

$\psi$



Measurement



Composite systems

Evolution

$U\psi$



# The qubit

## qubit = a quantum state of a two level system

Example of a qubit : spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particle

$$|0\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle \quad \uparrow \quad |1\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle \quad \downarrow$$

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

vector notation  $|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\langle 0|0\rangle = \langle 1|1\rangle = 1, \quad \langle 0|1\rangle = 0$$

## Superposition principle

$$|\psi\rangle = a |0\rangle + b |1\rangle, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\langle\psi|\psi\rangle = 1 \rightarrow |a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1 \quad e^{i\alpha}|\psi\rangle, \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{same state}$$

## Standard parametrization

$$|\psi\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + e^{i\phi} \sin\frac{\theta}{2} |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \\ e^{i\phi} \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

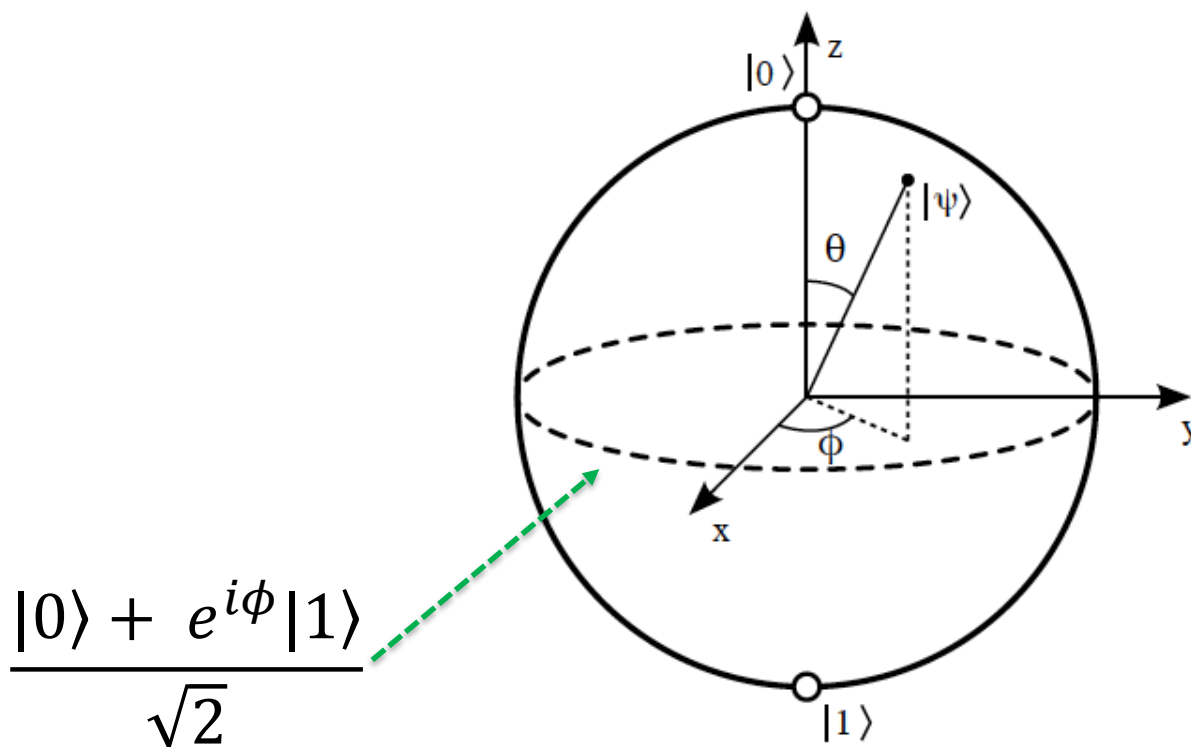
$$\theta \in [0, \pi] \quad \phi \in [0, 2\pi)$$



## Geometric representation: Bloch sphere

$\theta$  : polar angle

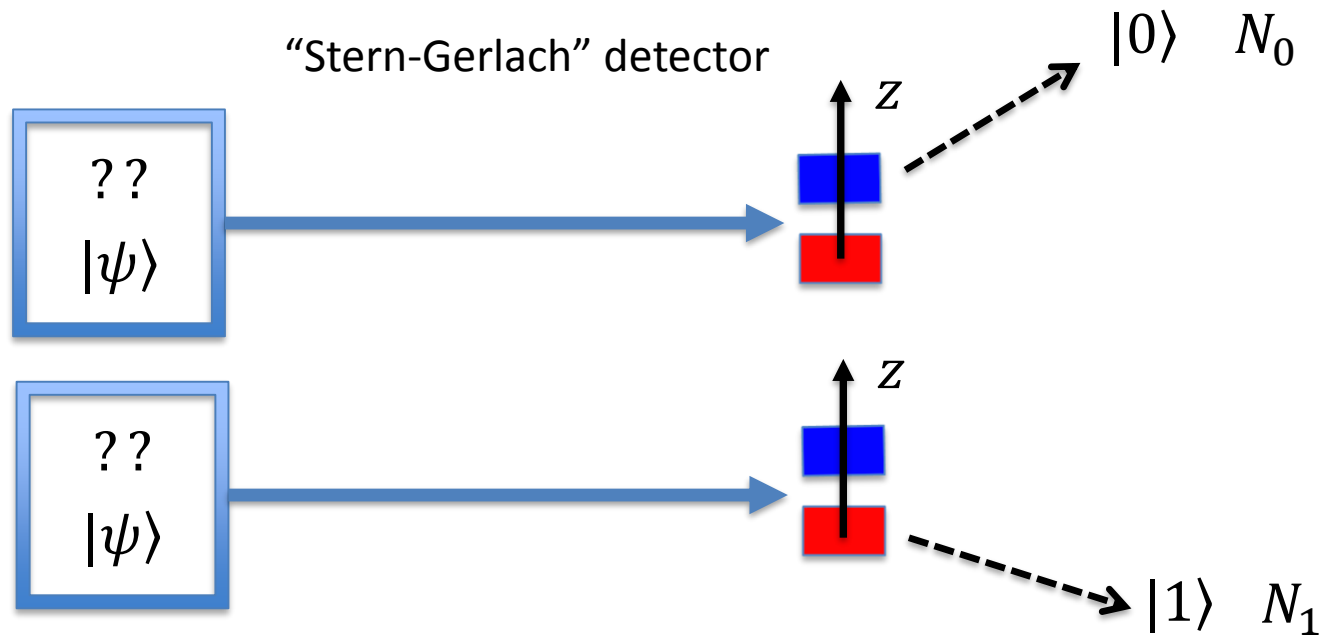
$\phi$  : azimuthal angle



Pure state of a qubit  $\longleftrightarrow$  Point on the Bloch sphere

How to compute the angles  $\theta, \phi$  ?

Prepare N times an unknown state in the Lab



$$N = N_0 + N_1$$

Probability of measuring  $|0\rangle$   $p_0 = \frac{N_0}{N_0 + N_1}$

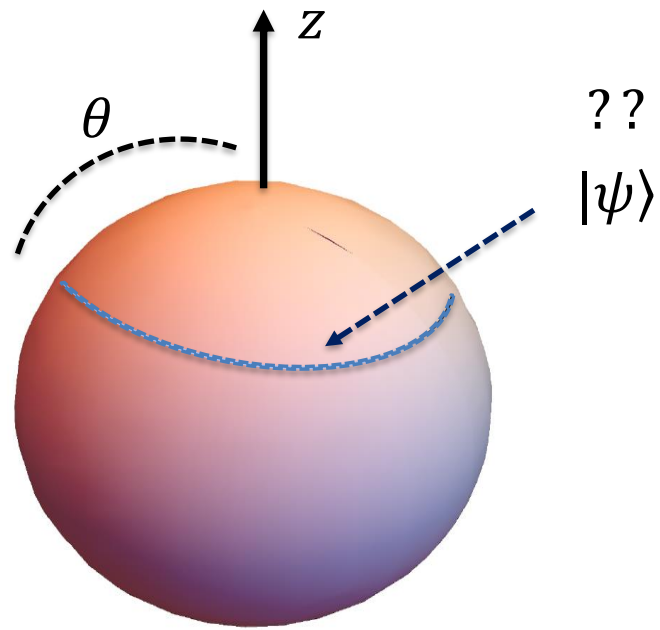
Probability of measuring  $|1\rangle$   $p_1 = \frac{N_1}{N_0 + N_1}$

$$p_0 + p_1 = 1$$

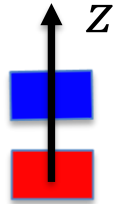
Quantum Mechanical prediction

$$p_0 = |\langle 0|\psi\rangle|^2 = \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \quad p_1 = |\langle 1|\psi\rangle|^2 = \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\text{Error} \propto 1/\sqrt{N}$$



Stern-Gerlach detector



Observable

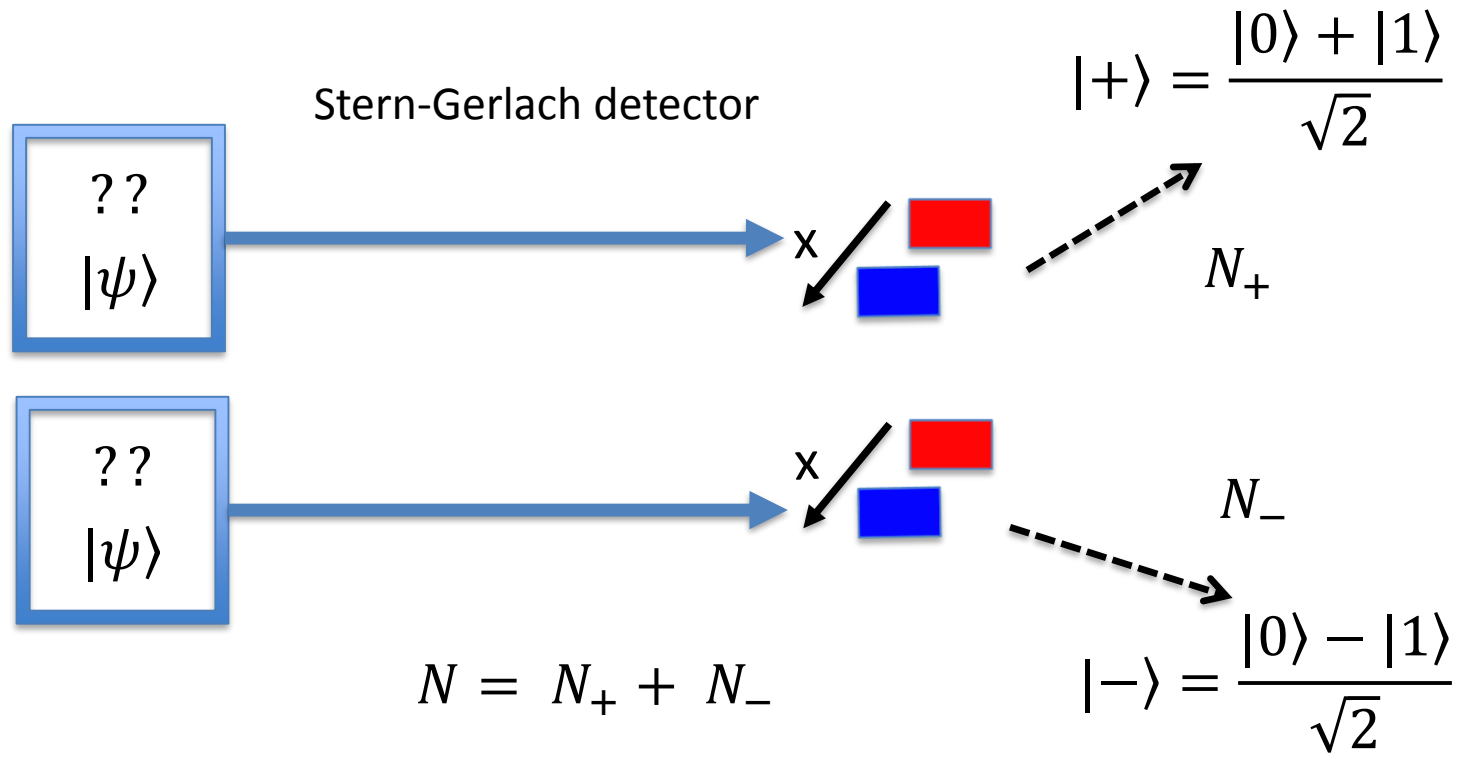
$$\longleftrightarrow \sigma^z = Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Expectation value

$$\langle \sigma^z \rangle = p_0 - p_1$$

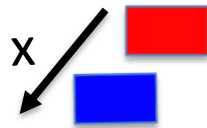
QM  $\langle \sigma^z \rangle = \langle \psi | \sigma^z | \psi \rangle = \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = \cos \theta$

What about  $\phi$  ?



Stern-Gerlach detector

Observable



$$\sigma^x = X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Probability of measuring  $|+\rangle$        $p_+ = \frac{N_+}{N_+ + N_-}$

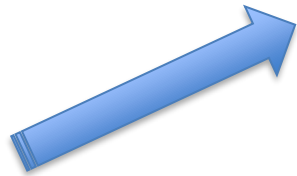
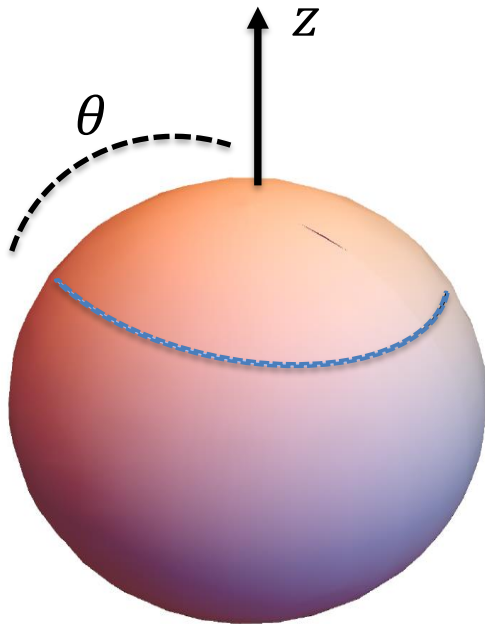
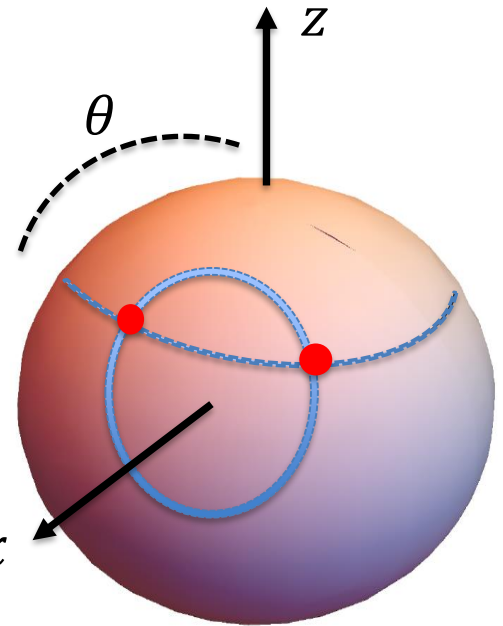
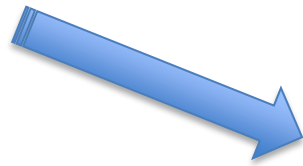
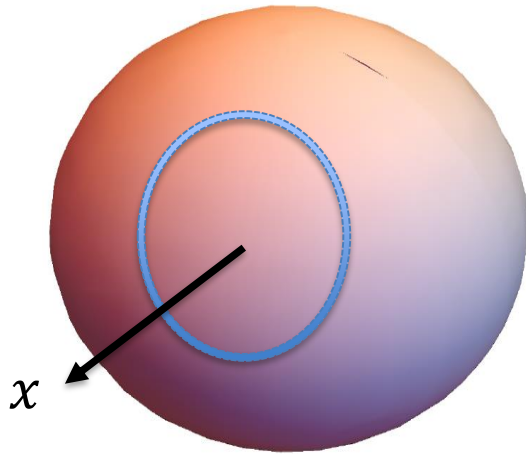
Probability of measuring  $|-\rangle$        $p_- = \frac{N_-}{N_+ + N_-}$

Quantum Mechanical prediction

$$p_+ = |\langle + | \psi \rangle|^2 = \frac{1 + \sin \theta \cos \phi}{2} \quad p_- = |\langle - | \psi \rangle|^2 = \frac{1 - \sin \theta \cos \phi}{2}$$

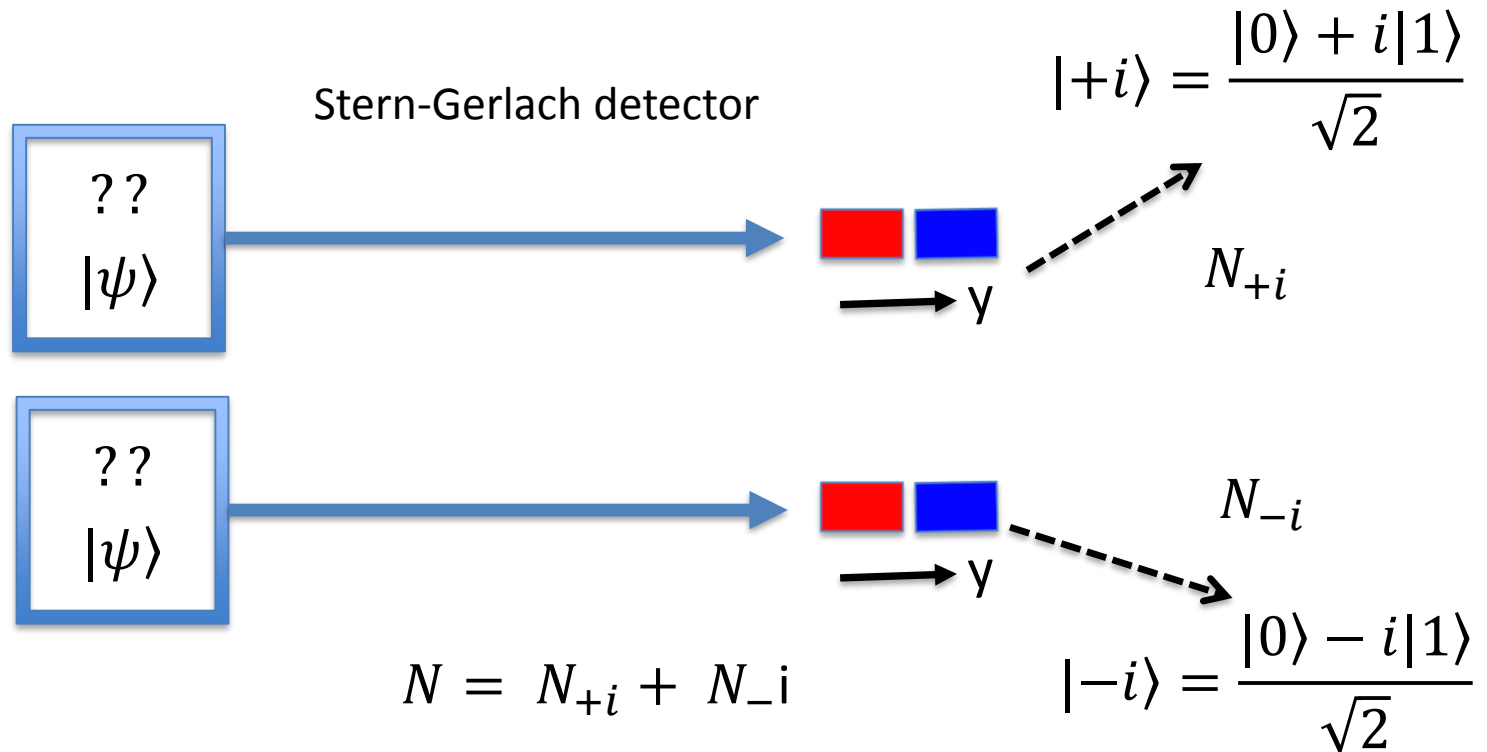
$$\langle \sigma^x \rangle = p_+ - p_-$$

QM       $\langle \sigma^x \rangle = \langle \psi | \sigma^x | \psi \rangle = \sin \theta \cos \phi$



The state is still not totally fixed





Stern-Gerlach detector

Observable

$$\sigma^y = Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Probability of measuring  $|+i\rangle$        $p_{+i} = \frac{N_{+i}}{N_{+i} + N_{-i}}$

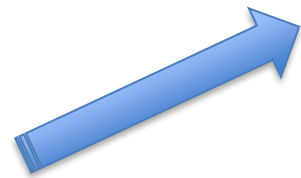
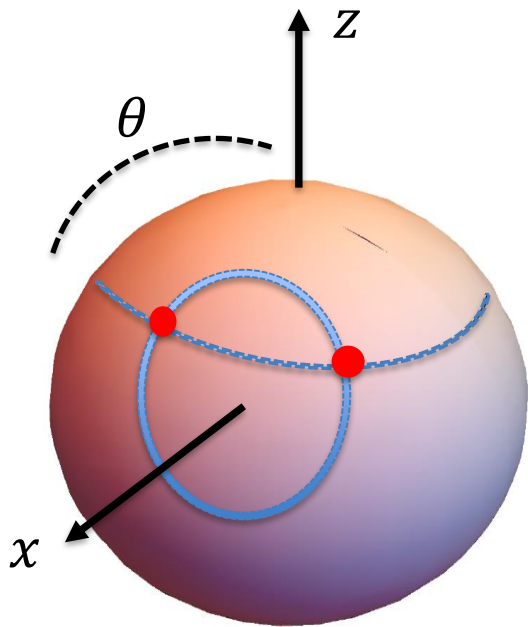
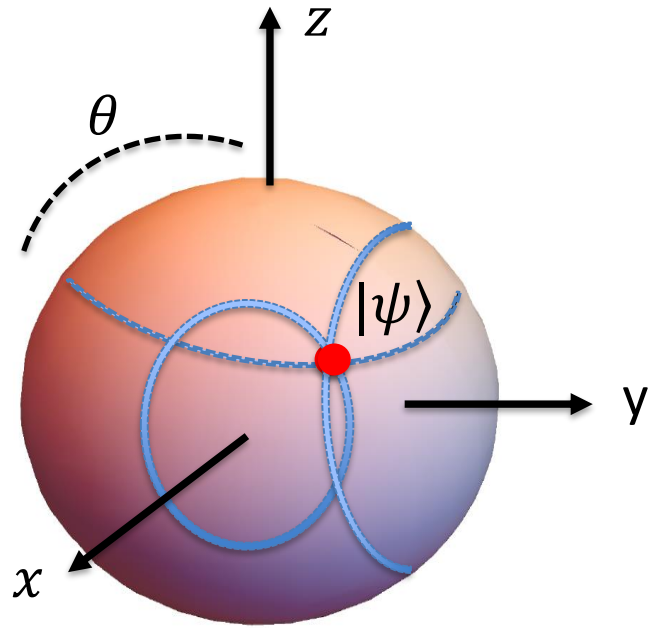
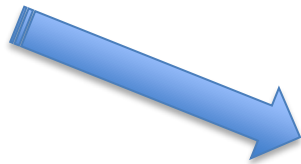
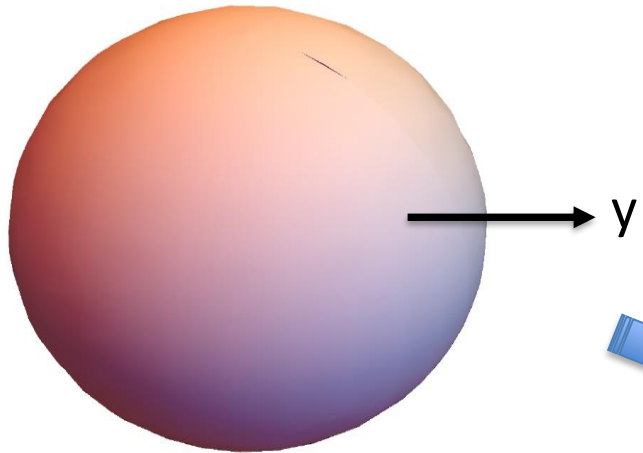
Probability of measuring  $| - \rangle$        $p_{-i} = \frac{N_{-i}}{N_{+i} + N_{-i}}$

Quantum Mechanical prediction

$$p_{+i} = |\langle +i | \psi \rangle|^2 = \frac{1 + \sin \theta \sin \phi}{2} \quad p_{-i} = |\langle -i | \psi \rangle|^2 = \frac{1 - \sin \theta \sin \phi}{2}$$

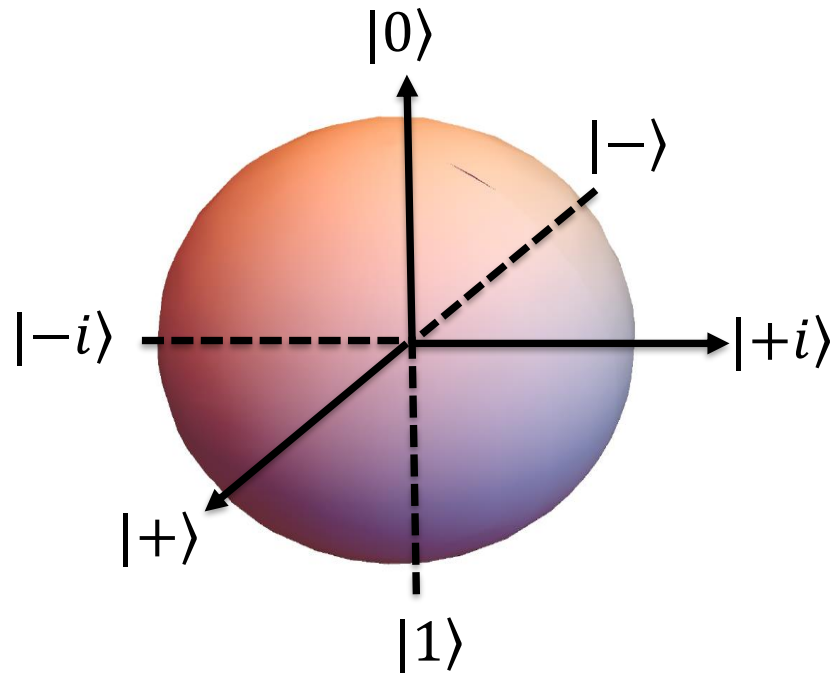
$$\langle \sigma^y \rangle = p_{+i} - p_{-i}$$

QM       $\langle \sigma^y \rangle = \langle \psi | \sigma^y | \psi \rangle = \sin \theta \sin \phi$



The state is now totally fixed

$$\begin{cases} \langle \sigma^x \rangle = \cos \phi \sin \theta = x \\ \langle \sigma^y \rangle = \sin \phi \sin \theta = y \\ \langle \sigma^z \rangle = \cos \theta = z \end{cases} \quad |\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{1+z}{2}} \\ \frac{x+iy}{\sqrt{2(1+z)}} \end{pmatrix}$$



# Density matrix

## Classical Mechanics

A “pure” state of a 1D particle is given by the point in the phase space  $(q,p)$

A “mixed” state is given by a probability density  $\rho(q,p)$

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## Quantum Mechanics

$$\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} & e^{-i\phi} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \\ e^{i\phi} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} & \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle O \rangle &= \text{Tr}(\rho O) & \text{tr } \rho &= 1 \\ & & \rho^\dagger &= \rho \\ & & \rho &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Mixed state

Ensemble of  $N$  pure states  $|\psi_i\rangle$  with probabilities  $p_i$

$$\rho = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i| \quad 1 = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i$$

## General state

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1+z & x-iy \\ x+iy & 1-z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + x \sigma^x + y \sigma^y + z \sigma^z)$$

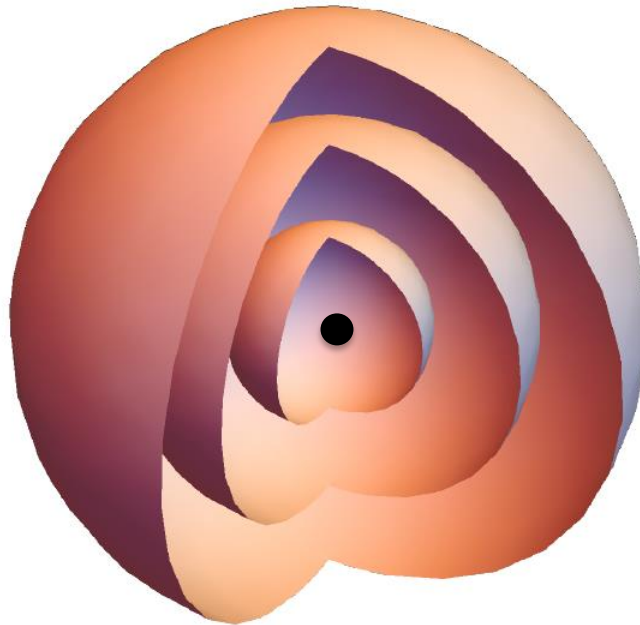
Eigenvalues  $\frac{1+r}{2}, \frac{1-r}{2}$   $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

$$\rho > 0 \rightarrow 0 \leq r \leq 1$$

$$\langle \sigma^x \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \sigma^x) = x, \langle \sigma^y \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \sigma^y) = y, \langle \sigma^z \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \sigma^z) = z$$

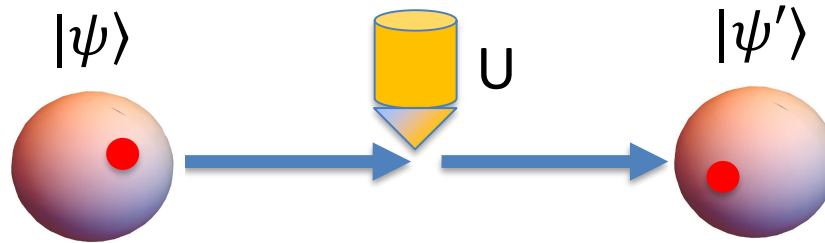
Pure states:	$r = 1$	$\rho =  \psi\rangle \langle \psi $
Mixed states:	$r < 1$	$\rho \neq  \psi\rangle \langle \psi $
Maximally mixed state:	$r = 0$	$\rho = \frac{I}{2}$

Bloch ball





## Single qubit gates



$$U |\psi\rangle = |\psi'\rangle$$

$$\langle\psi'|\psi'\rangle = \langle\psi| U^\dagger U |\psi\rangle = \langle\psi|\psi\rangle$$

$$U^\dagger U = \mathbb{I}$$

$U$  unitary matrix

## Pauli gates

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Hadamard gate

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

## S gate

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

## T gate

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$

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

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

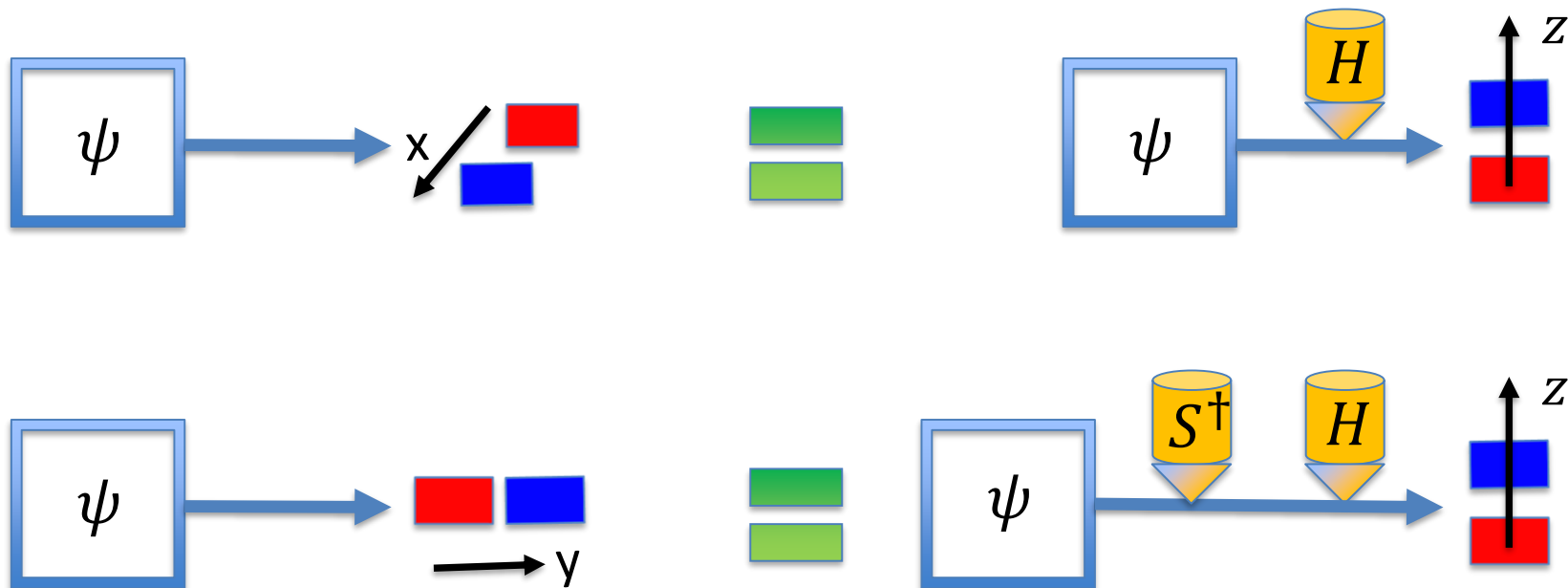
# Hadamard's magic

$$X = H Z H$$

$$Y = S H Z H S^\dagger$$

$$\langle X \rangle_\psi = \langle \psi | X | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | H Z H | \psi \rangle = \langle Z \rangle_{H\psi}$$

$$\langle Y \rangle_\psi = \langle \psi | Y | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | S H Z H S^\dagger | \psi \rangle = \langle Z \rangle_{HS^\dagger\psi}$$



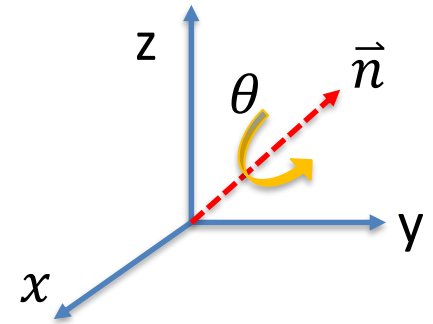
*IBM tomography*

# General qubit gate

Qubit = spin ½ representation of the rotation group SU(2)

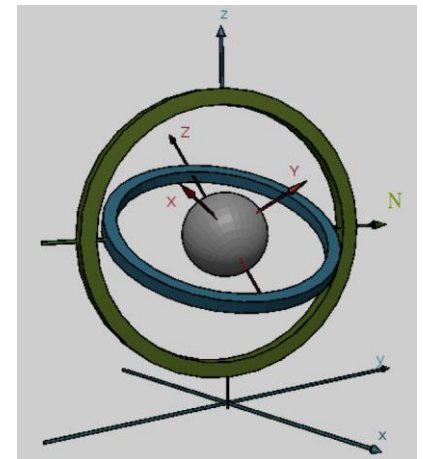
$$R_{\vec{n}}(\theta) = e^{-i\theta\vec{n}\cdot\vec{\sigma}/2}$$

$$U = e^{i\alpha} R_{\vec{n}}(\theta)$$



Euler's decomposition  $U = e^{i\alpha} R_z(\beta) R_y(\gamma) R_z(\delta)$

$$U = e^{i\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\beta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta/2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma/2 & -\sin \gamma/2 \\ \sin \gamma/2 & \cos \gamma/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\delta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\delta/2} \end{pmatrix}$$



gimbal set

## Multiqubit states

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n qubits  $|\psi\rangle =$  vector with  $2^n$  components

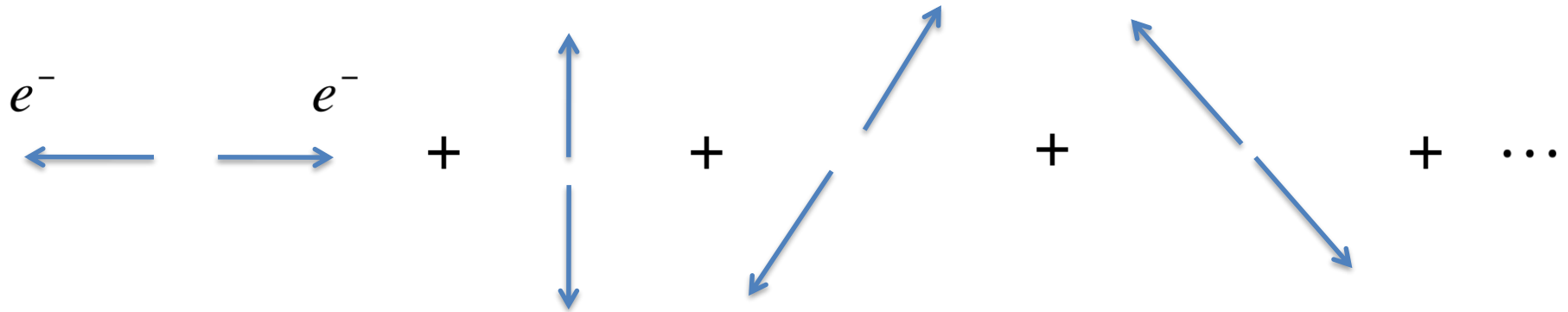
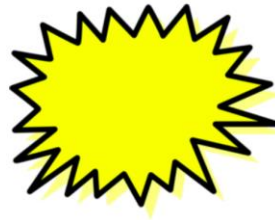
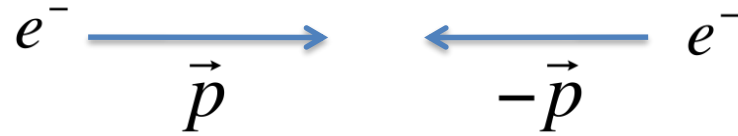
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$$|\psi\rangle = \psi_{00} \begin{array}{c} |0\rangle \\ \text{red dot at top} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} |0\rangle \\ \text{red dot at top} \end{array} + \psi_{01} \begin{array}{c} |0\rangle \\ \text{red dot at top} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} |1\rangle \\ \text{red dot at bottom} \end{array} \\ + \psi_{10} \begin{array}{c} |1\rangle \\ \text{red dot at bottom} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} |0\rangle \\ \text{red dot at top} \end{array} + \psi_{11} \begin{array}{c} |1\rangle \\ \text{red dot at bottom} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} |1\rangle \\ \text{red dot at bottom} \end{array}$$

$\neq$

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# EPR state : Gedanken experiment



Linear superposition of two electrons with opposite momentum



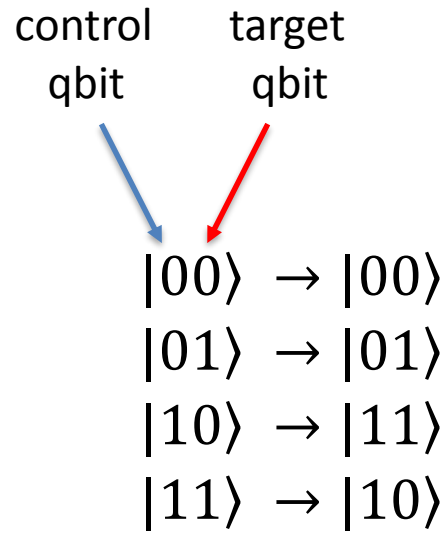
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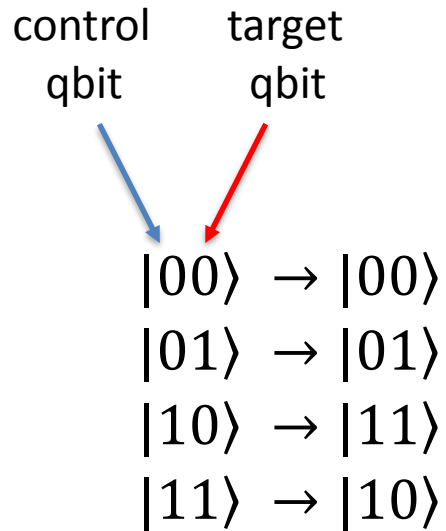
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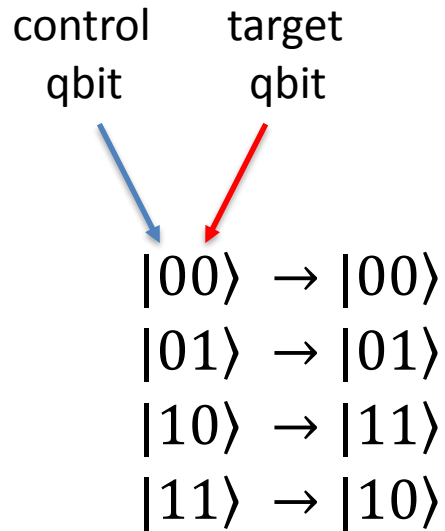


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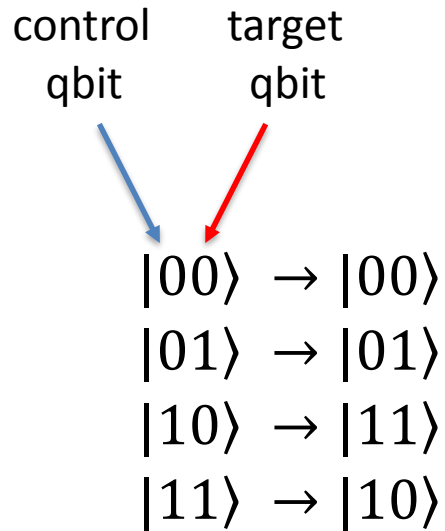
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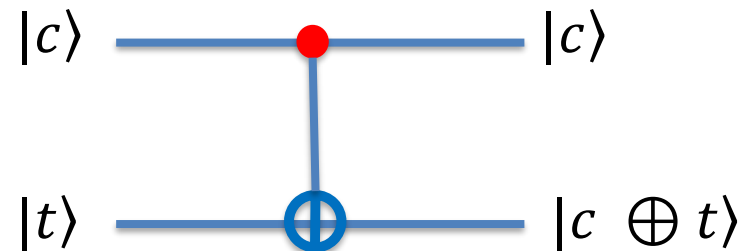
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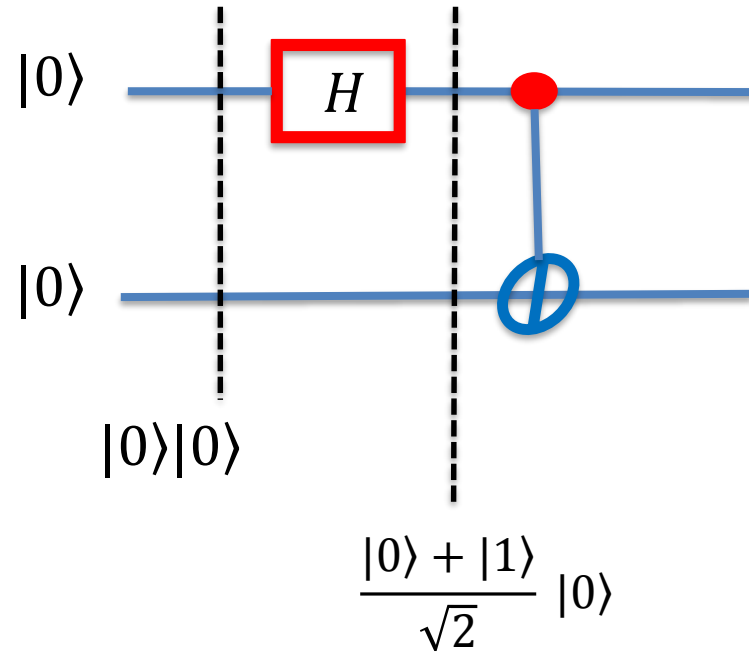
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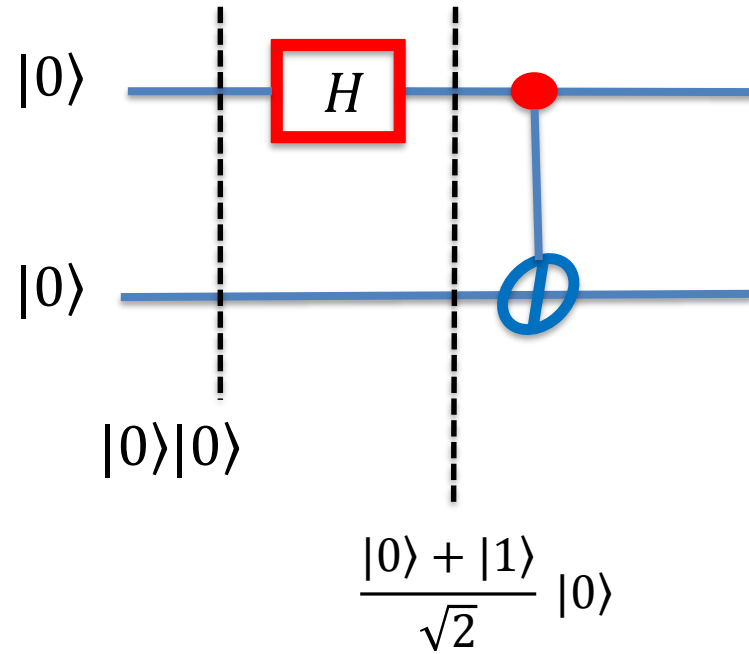


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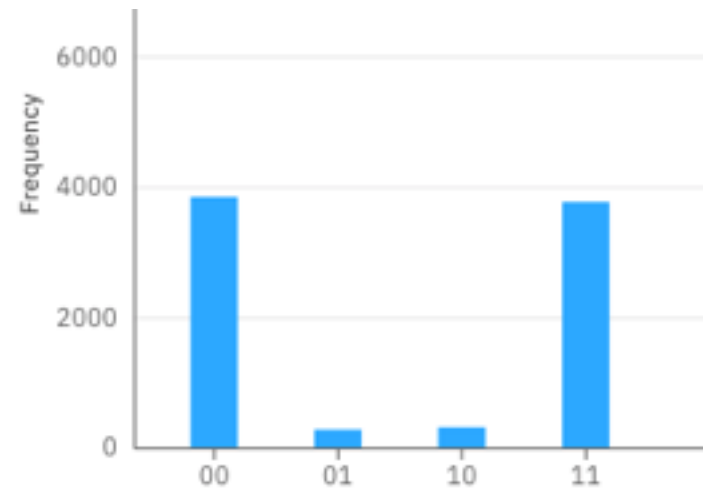
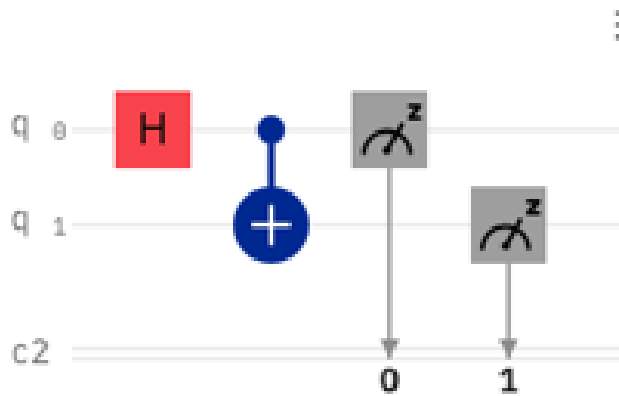
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IBMQ circuit





## Bell basis for 2 qubit states

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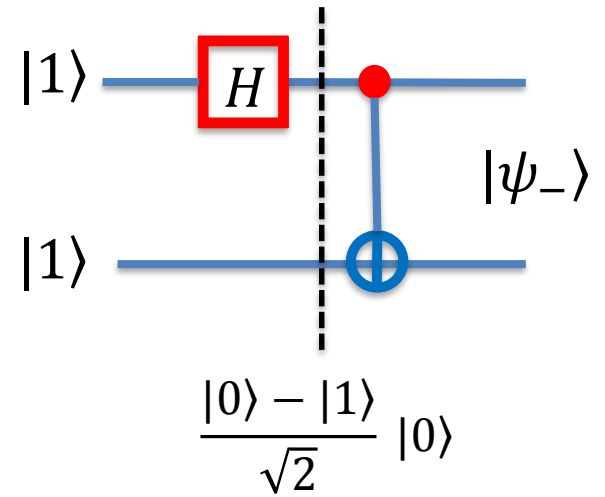
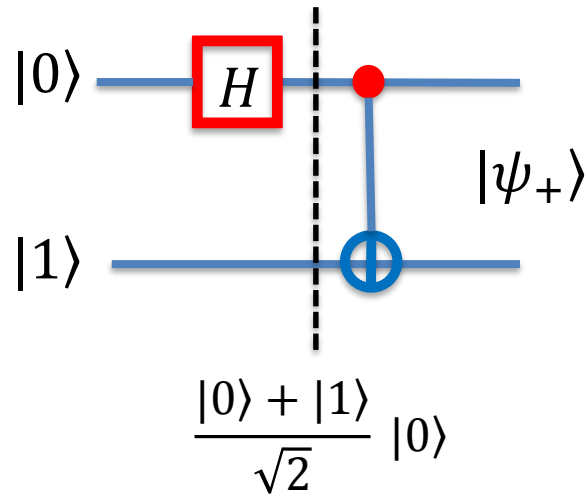
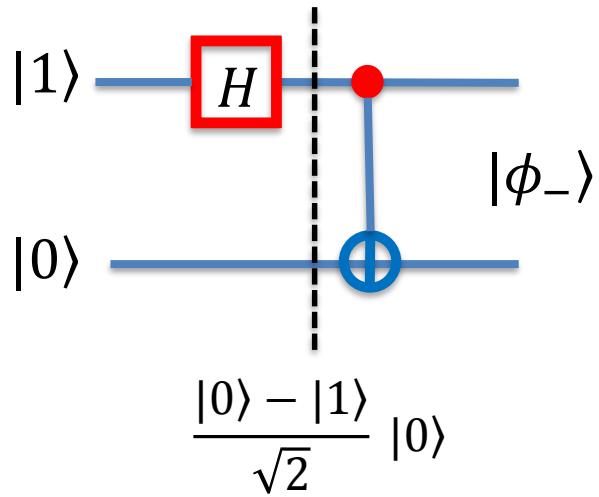
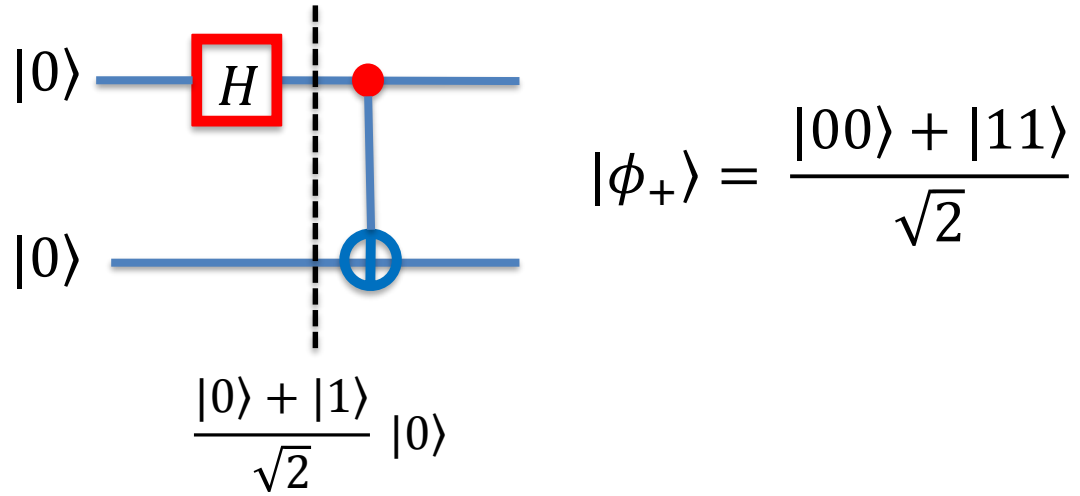
$$|\psi_+\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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The qubits are maximally entangled for each of these states

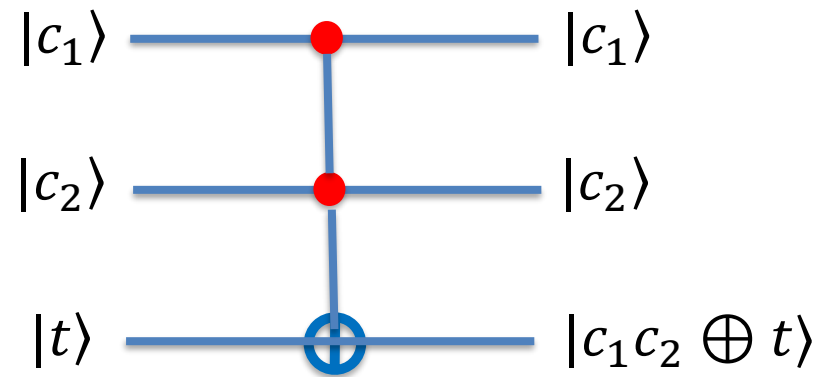
Used in the teleportation protocol

# Creation of entanglement



Computational basis -> Bell basis

Toffoli gate = CCNOT



## Universal classical gates

A finite set of gates that can be used to compute any function

Non reversible: AND, OR, NOT

Reversible: + Toffoli

## Universal quantum gates

A finite set of quantum gates that can approximate any unitary operation to arbitrary precision

$\{ H, S, T, CNOT \}$

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## Deutsch's algorithm (1985)

The problem: given a boolean function  $f(x)$  determine if it is constant or balanced

$$x \in \{0,1\}, \quad f(x) \in \{0,1\}$$

There are 4 functions of this type

$x$	$f_0$	$f_1$	$f_2$	$f_3$
0	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1

Constant function:  $f(0) = f(1)$

Balanced function:  $f(0) \neq f(1)$

$$f_0, f_3$$

$$f_1, f_2$$

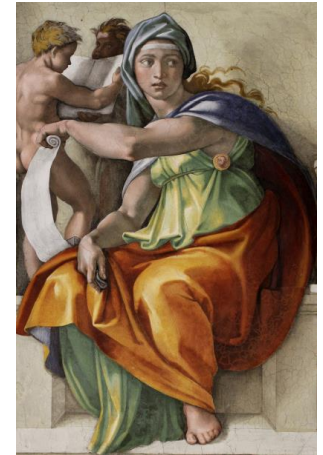
Given an unknown function to determine its character we have to compute

$$f(0) \quad \text{and} \quad f(1)$$

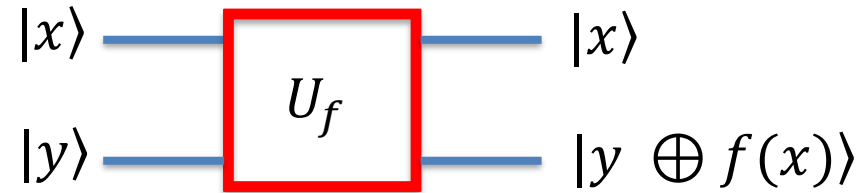
This is referred to as “calling TWICE an oracle”

Question: Can one call only ONCE the oracle ?

Answer: YES using quantum parallelism and interference



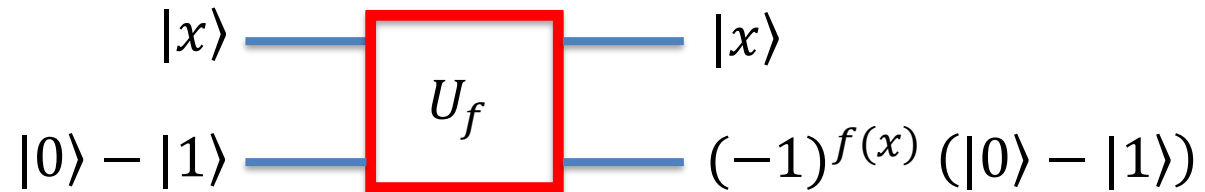
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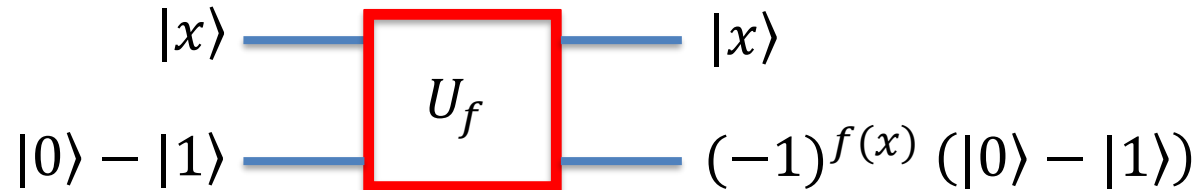




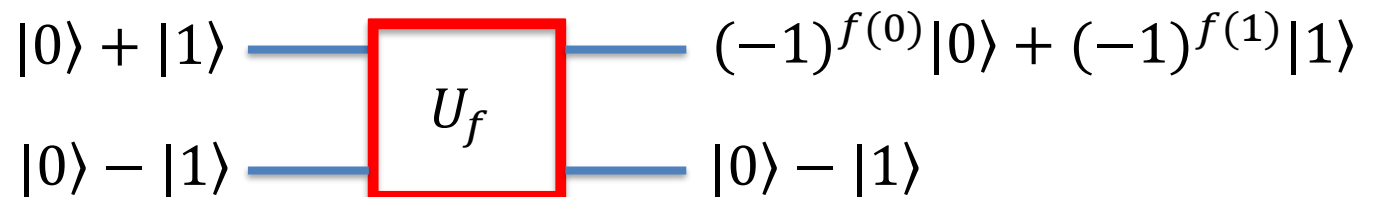
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Step 2: interference of the answers



### Step 3: quantum data mining

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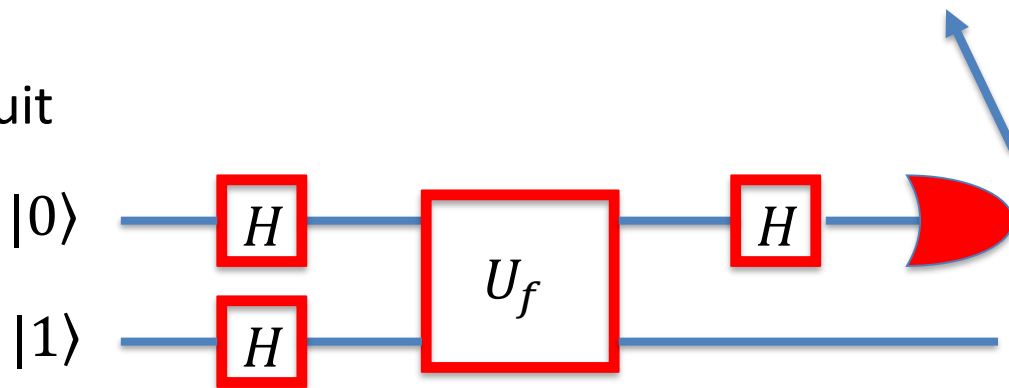
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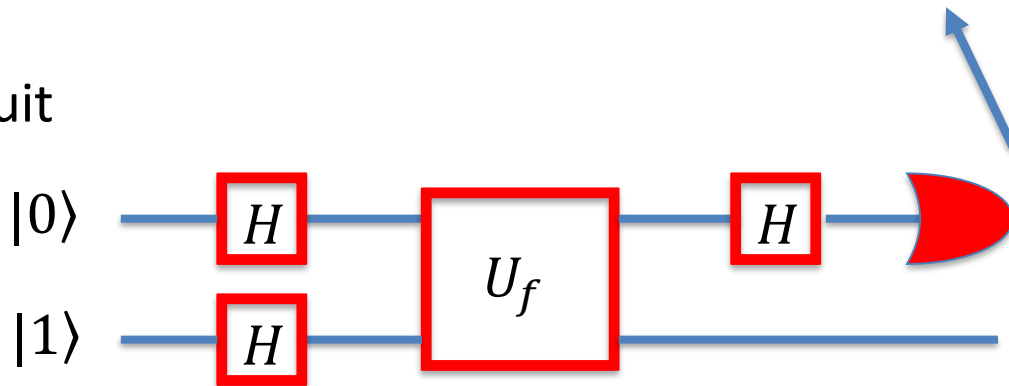
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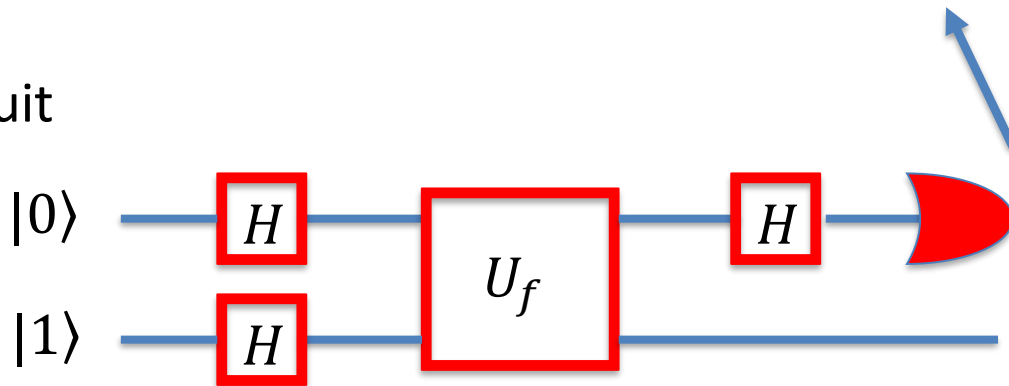
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Rolling Stones

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