# Quantum control, decoherence, and quantum error correction

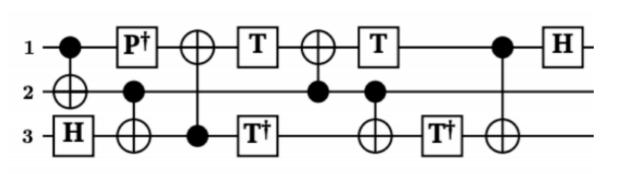
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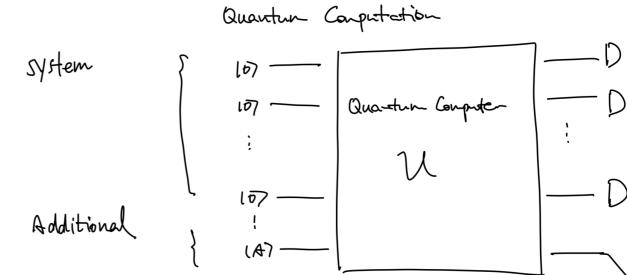


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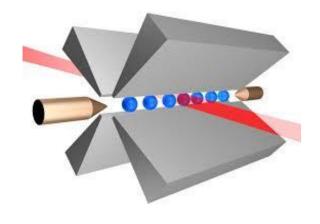
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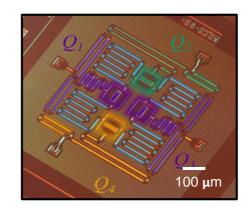


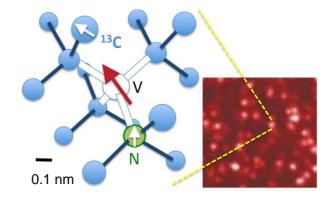


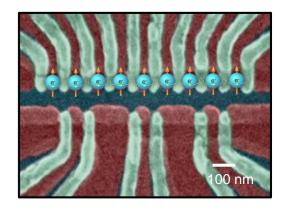
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### Introduction

#### Quantum control and decoherence

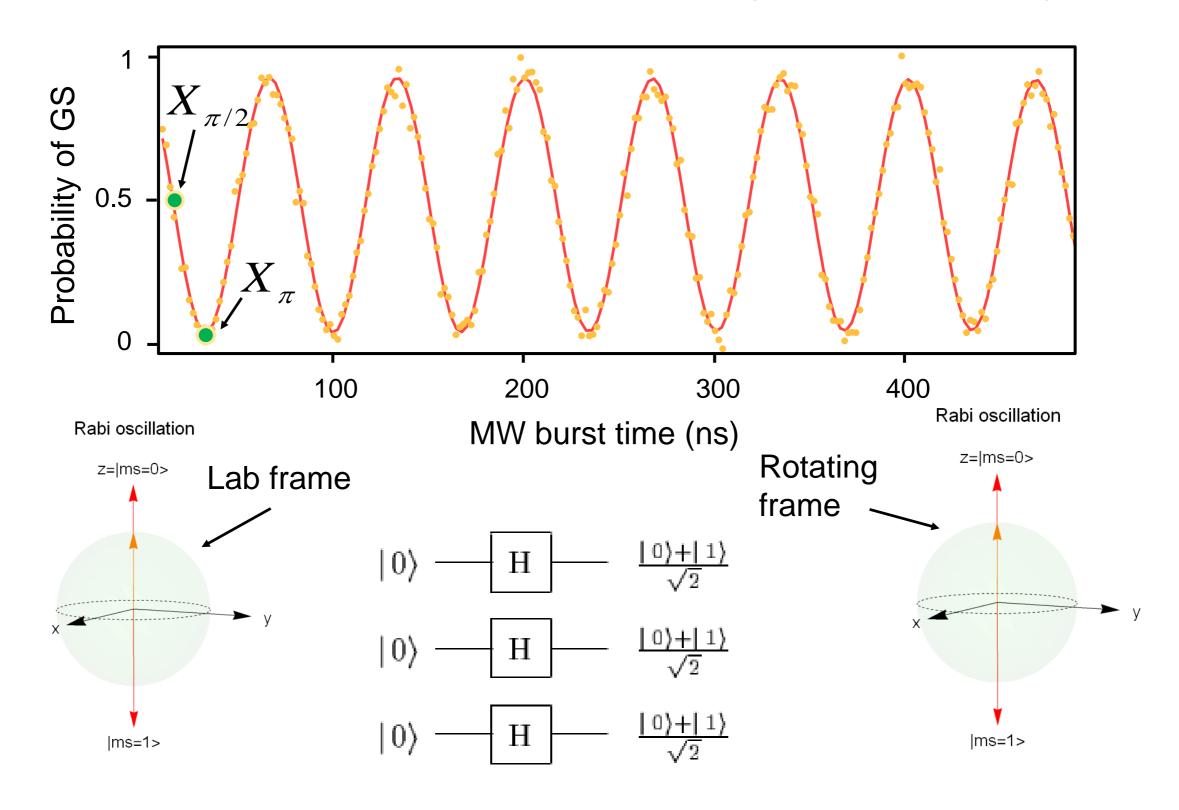
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- Master equations in the Markov approximation
- Quantum noise channels

### Quantum error correction

- Basic concepts: Bit-flip and Phase-flip error correction
- Quick summary of general quantum error correction
- Experimental examples

# Single qubit gate: coherent rotation

Coherent Rabi pulse + Phase control = Single qubit rotation gates



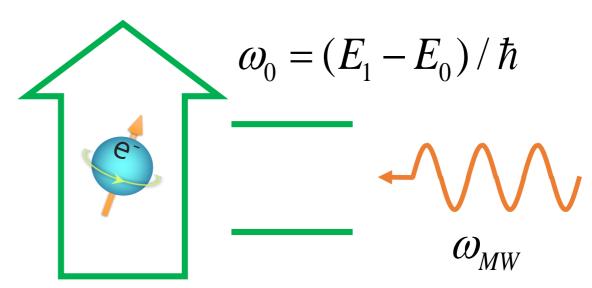
### Control of quantum two level system

#### Rabi oscillation

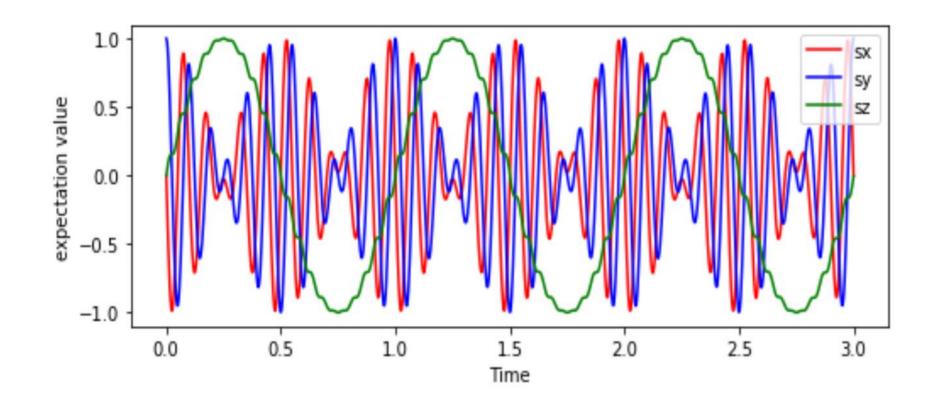
Two level system, with

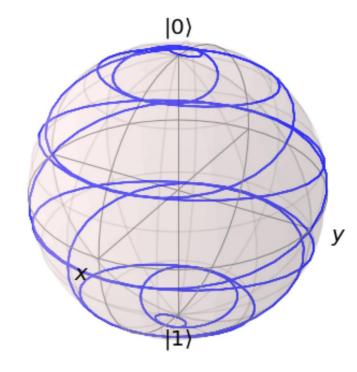
$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hbar \omega_0}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z + \hbar \eta (\hat{\sigma}_x \cos \omega_{MW} t)$$

Apply harmonic radiation



On resonance,  $\omega_0 = \omega_{MW}$ 





### Control of quantum two level system

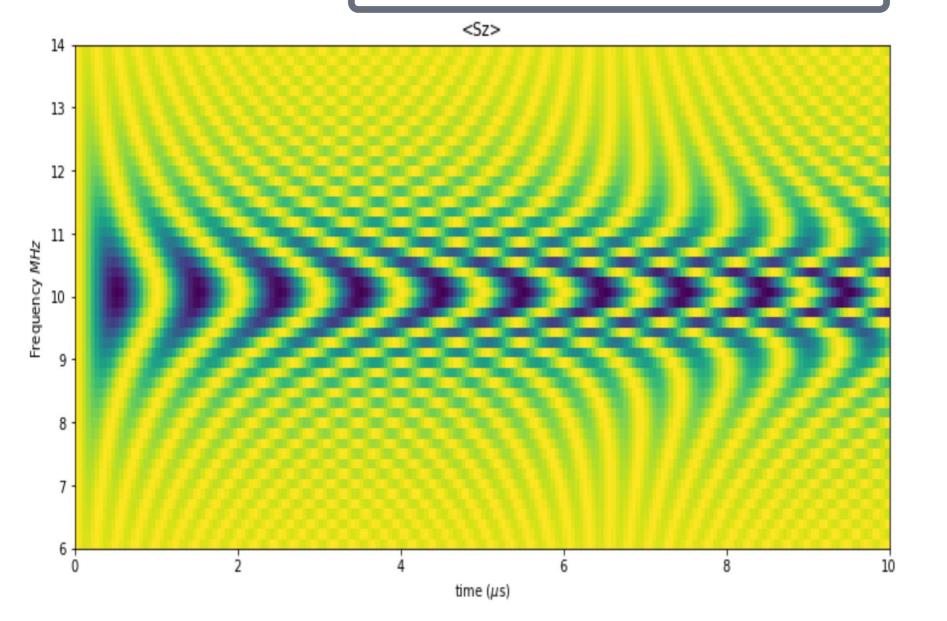
#### Rotating frame: RWA approximation

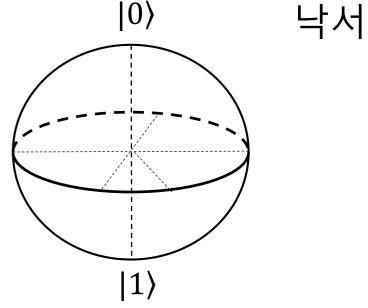
$$\hat{H}_{rot} = \frac{\hbar}{2} (\omega_0 - \omega_{MW}) \hat{\sigma}_z + \frac{\hbar \eta}{2} \hat{\sigma}_x$$

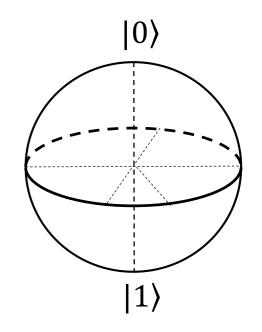
 $\omega_0$  의 intrinsic rot. 사라짐  $\hat{\sigma}_z, \hat{\sigma}_x$  성분의 벡터합이 도는 축을 결정

$$\delta = \omega_0 - \omega_{MW}$$

Q: Hadamard Gate?







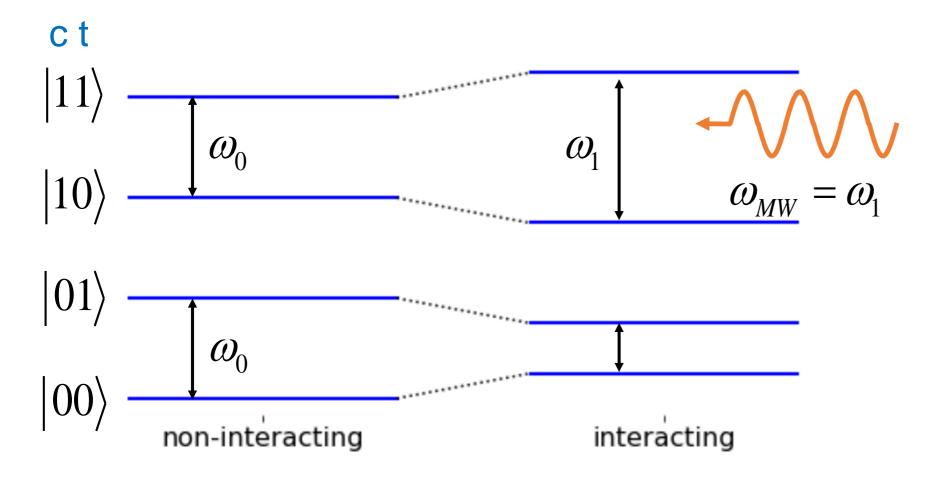
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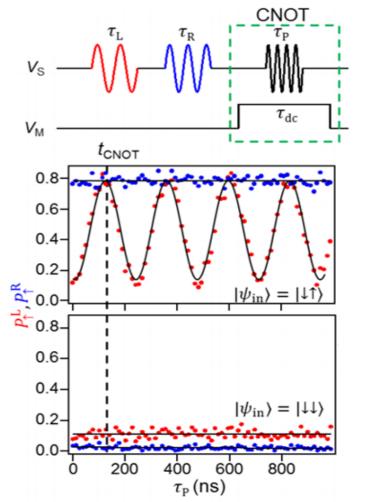
#### Two qubit gate

Ex. Calibrated Rabi  $\pi$  pulse under two body interaction = CNOT

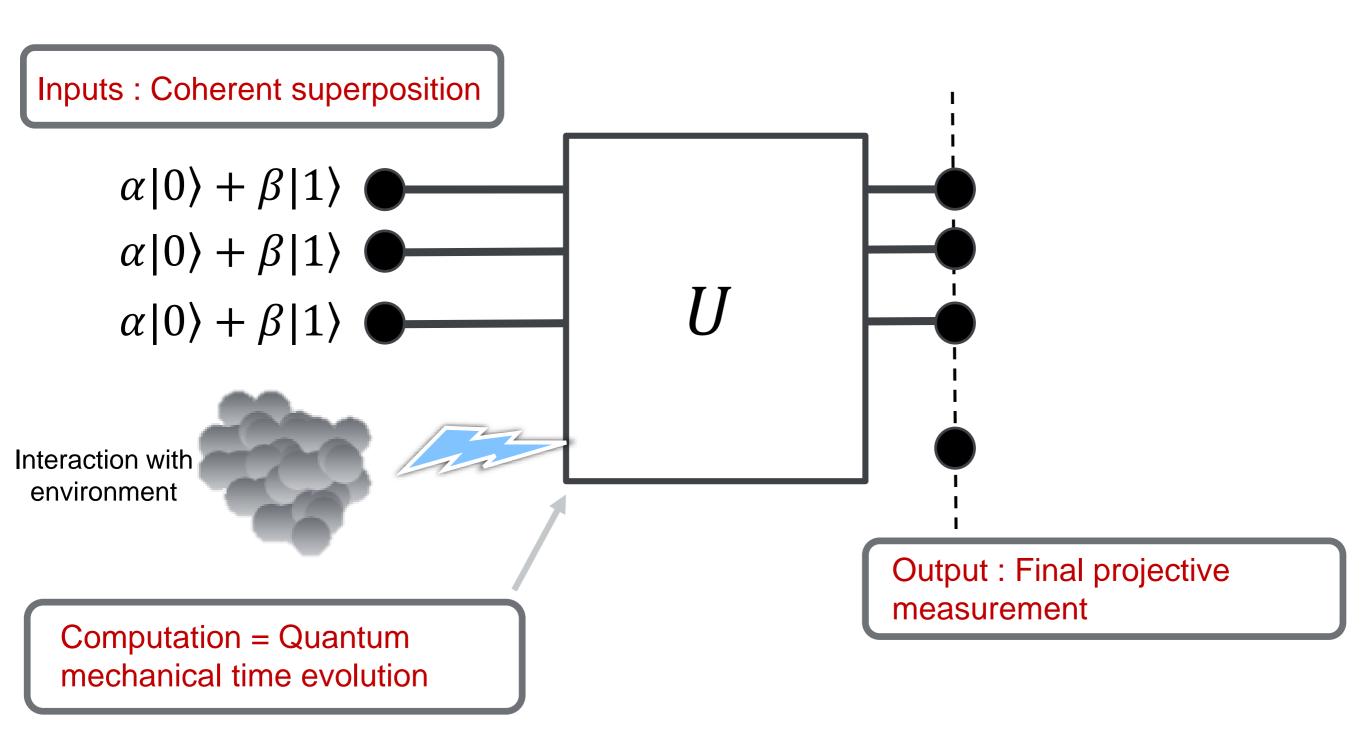
$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{\frac{\hbar \omega_0}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{z1} \otimes I + I \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{z2})}_{+} + \underbrace{\hbar g(\hat{\sigma}_{z1} \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{z2})}_{+}$$

반도체 스핀 큐빗의 예





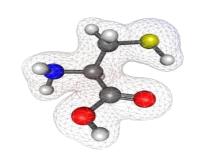
### Coherent time evolution: computation



Understanding / controlling system – environment interaction is crucial

### Quantum to classical transition

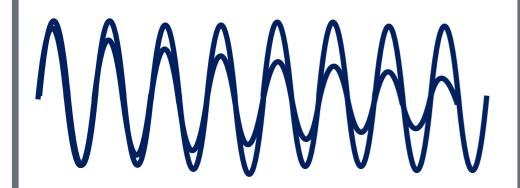




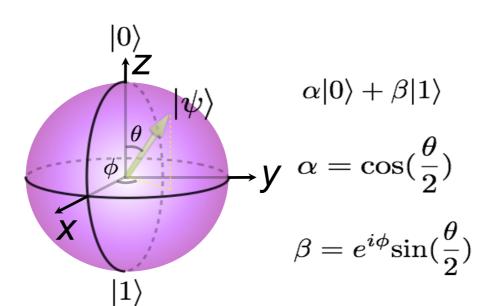


#### Decoherence

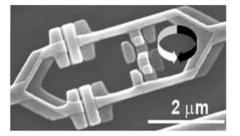
$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$
 
$$\downarrow$$
 
$$\rho = |\alpha|^2|0\rangle\langle 0| + |\beta|^2|1\rangle\langle 1|$$



#### Quantum noise = decoherence, control error, etc.

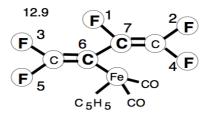


#### Superconductor



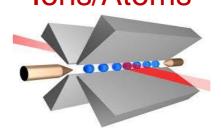
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# Trapped Ions/Atoms



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#### **Optics**



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# Open quantum system

#### From closed to open quantum system

|                | Closed                  | Open                              |
|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. State       | Ket vector $\ket{\Psi}$ | Density Matrix $\hat{ ho}$        |
| 2. Dynamics    | Schrodinger             | Master eq.                        |
| 3. Measurement | Projective              | Generalized (weak)<br>Measurement |

#### Density matrix

$$\hat{\rho} = \sum_{i} p_{i} |\Psi_{i}\rangle\langle\Psi_{i}|$$

 $p_i$ : probability to be in  $i^{th}$  quantum state.

#### **Properties**

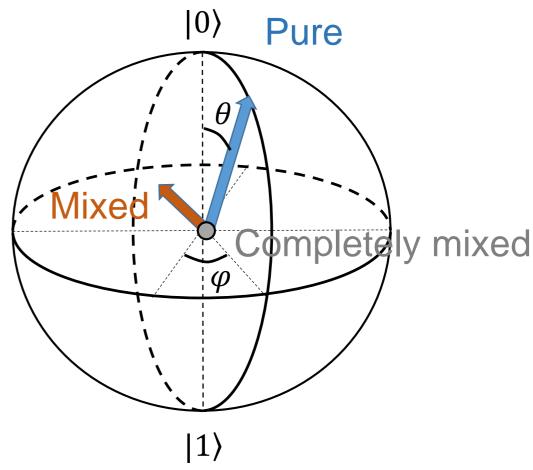
$$\hat{
ho}^\dagger=\hat{
ho}$$
  $Tr(
ho^2)$  is called *purity*  $Tr(
ho)=1$   $ho^2=
ho$  iff pure.  $Tr(
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### Open quantum system: Two level system

#### Pauli representation

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} \left( I + \sum_{i} m_{i} \sigma_{i} \right)$$

 $\sigma_i$ : Pauli matrix spans space of 2x2 matrices



#### Purity in Pauli rep.

$$Tr(\rho^{2}) = \frac{1}{4}Tr(I + 2\sum m_{i}\sigma_{i} + \sum m_{i}m_{j}\sigma_{i}\sigma_{j})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sum m_{i}^{2}) \quad \text{: By orthogonality}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \le purity \le 1 \Longrightarrow \stackrel{\longrightarrow}{m} | \le 1$$
 Bloch Sphere rep.

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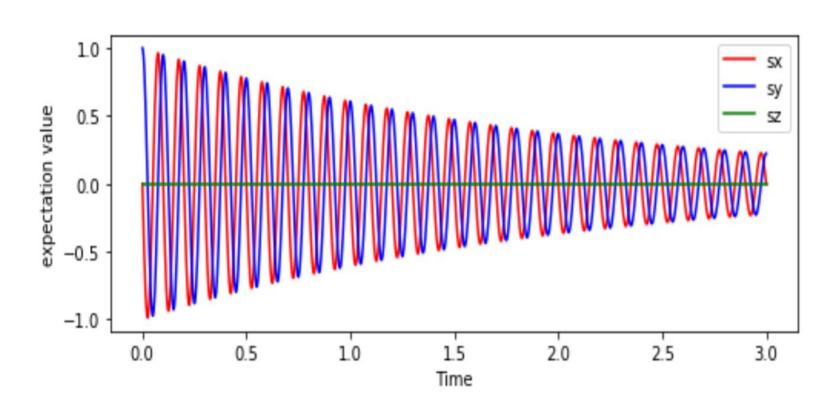
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Application of L form to two-level system

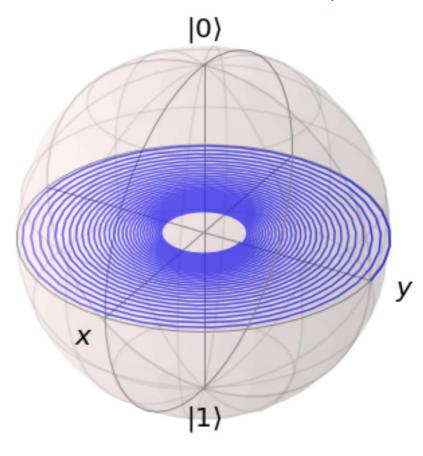
#### Pure dephasing channel

$$H_{\scriptscriptstyle S} = \begin{pmatrix} E_0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad L_{\scriptscriptstyle I} = L_{\scriptscriptstyle I}^{\dagger} = \sqrt{\gamma} \sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle +} \sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle -} = \sqrt{\gamma} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Fluctuating} \\ \text{energy levels} \end{array}$$

This time scale is called,  $T_\phi$  pure dephasing time



In the Lab frame,



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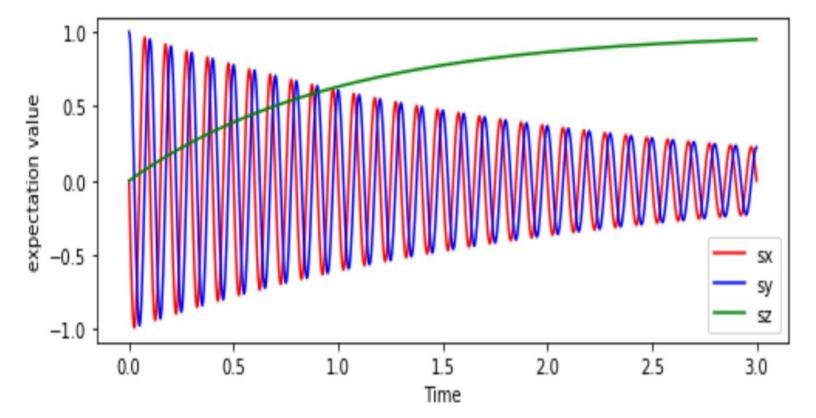
Amplitude damping (relaxation) channel

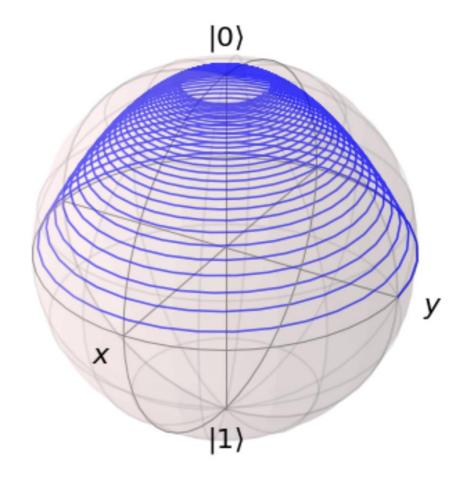
$$L_2 = \sqrt{\gamma}\sigma_- = \sqrt{\gamma} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{Energy relaxation}$$

Total decoherence rate set by,

$$\frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{1}{2T_1} + \frac{1}{T_{\phi}}$$

This time scale is called,  $T_1$  relaxation time





Also, depolarizing channel.. Etc.

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# Dynamics of open quantum system

#### Time evolution: Kraus operators

$$H_{SE} = H_S \otimes H_E$$

Unitary evolution:  $U_{\it SE}$ 

Environment orthonormal basis:  $\{|\mu\rangle_{\!\scriptscriptstyle E}\}$ 

Special proposition:  $\hat{\rho}_{SE}(t) = \hat{\rho}_{S}(0) \otimes \hat{\rho}_{E}(0) = \hat{\rho}_{S}(0) \otimes |0\rangle_{E}\langle 0|_{E}$ 

$$\hat{\rho}_{SE}(t) = U_{SE}(t)\hat{\rho}_{SE}(0)U^{\dagger}_{SE}(t)$$

$$\hat{\rho}_{S}(t) = Tr_{E}(U_{SE}(t)\hat{\rho}_{SE}(0)U^{\dagger}_{SE}(t))$$

$$= \sum_{u} \langle \mu|_{E} U_{SE}(t)|0\rangle_{E} \hat{\rho}_{S}(0)\langle 0|_{E} U^{\dagger}_{SE}(t)|\mu\rangle_{E}$$

$$=\sum_{\mu}^{\mu}\hat{M}_{\mu}(t)\hat{\rho}_{S}(0)\hat{M}_{\mu}^{\dagger}(t) \qquad \qquad \hat{M}_{\mu}(t) \ : \text{Kraus operators}$$

# Dynamics of open quantum system

#### Operator-sum representation

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$$\rho_{s}(t) = \sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t) \hat{\rho}_{S}(0) M^{\dagger}_{\mu}(t)$$

$$= a[\hat{\rho}_{S}(0)] \quad \text{Unitary evolution?}$$
in general no.

#### Special case: pure state

$$\rho_{s}(t) = \sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t) |\psi_{s}(0)\rangle \langle \psi_{s}(0)| M^{\dagger}_{\mu}(t)$$

$$= \sum_{\mu} |\psi_{s}(t)\rangle \langle \psi_{s}(t)|$$

$$= \sum_{\mu} p_{\mu}(t) |\psi_{s}(t)\rangle \langle \psi_{s}(t)|$$

Not unitary operator Not diagonal rep. Generally mixed state

$$\left|\psi_{s}(t)\right\rangle \equiv M_{\mu}(t)\left|\psi_{s}(0)\right\rangle$$

$$\left|\psi_{s}(t)\right\rangle \equiv \frac{\left|\psi_{s}(t)\right\rangle}{\left\|\psi_{s}(t)\right\|}$$

action of unitary operator on quantum system in general create entanglement

### General properties of quantum map

#### 1. Linearity

$$a[\lambda \hat{\rho}_1 + (1 - \lambda)\hat{\rho}_2] = \lambda a[\hat{\rho}_1] + (1 - \lambda)a[\hat{\rho}_2]$$

#### 2. Completely Positive (CP condition)

$$\hat{
ho}_{out} = a[\hat{
ho}_{in}]$$
: Physical state  $\hat{
ho}_{out} = \hat{
ho}_{out}^{\dagger}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \hat{
ho}_{out} \geq 0 \quad (\hat{
ho}_{out}^{\dagger} \hat{
ho}_{out} \text{ non-negative eigenvalue})$$

#### 3. Trace preserving (TP condition)

$$Tr_{S}[a[p_{S}]] = Tr_{S}(\sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t)\hat{\rho}_{S}(0)M^{\dagger}_{\mu}(t))$$

$$= Tr_{S}(\sum_{\mu} (M_{\mu}(t)M^{\dagger}_{\mu}(t))\hat{\rho}_{S}(0))$$

$$\sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t)M^{\dagger}_{\mu}(t) = \sum_{\mu} \langle 0|_{E} U^{\dagger}_{SE}(t)(|\mu\rangle_{E} \langle \mu|_{E})U_{SE}(t)|0\rangle_{E}$$

$$= \langle 0|_{E} U^{\dagger}_{SE}(t)U_{SE}(t)|0\rangle_{E} = \hat{I}_{S}$$

# Dynamics of open quantum system

#### Closed quantum system

$$\rho(t+dt) = U(t+dt,t)\rho(t)U^{\dagger}(t+dt,t)$$
 : generator of time-translation

$$U(t+dt,t) = I - \frac{i}{\hbar}H(t)dt$$

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -\frac{i}{\hbar}[H,\rho]$$
: Liouville von-Neumann equation

#### Open quantum system

what is generator of time-translation?

$$\hat{\rho}_S(t_2) = a[\hat{\rho}_S(t_1)]$$
 
$$\hat{\rho}_S(t+dt) = a(t+dt,t)[\hat{\rho}_S(t)]$$
 : Markov approx.

$$= \sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t+dt,t)\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)M^{\dagger}_{\mu}(t+dt,t)$$

### Dynamics of open quantum system

#### Lindblad operator

$$M_{\mu}(t+dt,t) \equiv L_{\mu}(t)\sqrt{dt}$$

$$M_0(t+dt,t) \equiv \hat{I} + G(t)dt$$

#### **CPTP** condition

$$\sum_{\mu} M_{\ \mu} M^{\ \dagger}_{\ \ \mu} = \hat{I}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_0 M_0^{\dagger} + \sum_{\mu \neq 0} M_{\mu} M_{\mu}^{\dagger} = \hat{I} + (G + G^{\dagger}) dt + \sum_{\mu} L_{\mu} L_{\mu}^{\dagger} dt = \hat{I}$$

$$\Rightarrow G + G^{\dagger} = -\sum_{\mu} L_{\mu} L_{\mu}^{\dagger}$$

$$\Rightarrow G \equiv K - \frac{i}{\hbar}H = -\frac{i}{\hbar}H - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{\mu}L_{\mu}L_{\mu}^{\dagger} \equiv -\frac{i}{\hbar}H_{eff}$$

# Dynamics of open quantum system(Master eqn.)

$$\rho_{S}(t+dt) = M_{0}\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)M^{\dagger}_{0} + \sum_{\mu\neq 0} M_{\mu}\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)M^{\dagger}_{\mu}$$

$$= \left(\hat{I} - \frac{i}{\hbar}H_{eff}dt\right)\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)\left(\hat{I} - \frac{i}{\hbar}H_{eff}dt\right) + \sum_{\mu} L_{\mu}\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)L^{\dagger}_{\mu}dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\rho_{S}}{dt} = -\frac{i}{\hbar}[H_{eff},\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)] + \sum_{\mu} L_{\mu}\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)L^{\dagger}_{\mu}$$

expanding effective Hamiltonian

$$\frac{d\rho_{S}}{dt} = -\frac{i}{\hbar}[H,\hat{\rho}_{S}(t)] + \sum_{\mu} \left(-\frac{1}{2}L_{\mu}L_{\mu}^{\dagger}\hat{\rho}_{S} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{\rho}_{S}L_{\mu}L_{\mu}^{\dagger} + L_{\mu}\hat{\rho}_{S}L_{\mu}^{\dagger}\right)$$

: The master equation in the Lindblad form

The differential eqn. whose integral is CPTP map has to be this 'Lindblad form'

# Composite systems

#### Hilbert Space of composite system

$$H = H_A \otimes H_B$$

Two observable algebra A, B

#### Product State of composite systems

$$|\phi_{A}\rangle \otimes |\phi_{B}\rangle$$
,

where,  $|\phi_{A}\rangle \in H_{A}$ ,  $|\phi_{B}\rangle \in H_{B}$ 

Pure product states have density operators

$$\hat{\rho} = |\phi_A\rangle\langle\phi_A|\otimes|\phi_B\rangle\langle\phi_B| = \hat{\rho}_A\otimes\hat{\rho}_B$$

#### Q. All states are product state?

States which aren't products are correlated

$$\hat{\rho} = p |00\rangle\langle00| + (1-p)|11\rangle\langle11|$$

Q. How to check if the state is product state or not?

Schmidt decomposition for pure state

$$\left|\psi\right\rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{d} \sqrt{p_i} \left|e_i\right\rangle \left|f_j\right\rangle$$

then, 
$$\rho_A = \sum_{n=1}^d p_j |e_j\rangle\langle e_i|$$

# Composite systems: Entanglement

#### **Partial Trace**

$$\rho_{AB} = \sum_{i} p_{i} \left| \Psi_{i} \right\rangle_{AB} \left\langle \Psi_{i} \right|_{AB} \quad \text{`Trace out' environment -> information loss?}$$

$$\rho_{A} = Tr_{B} \rho_{AB} = \sum_{i} \left\langle \psi_{i} \right|_{B} p_{i} \left| \Psi_{i} \right\rangle_{AB} \left\langle \Psi_{i} \right|_{AB} \left| \psi_{j} \right\rangle_{B}$$

#### Ex) For singlet state

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) (\langle\uparrow\downarrow| - \langle\downarrow\uparrow|)$$

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \frac{1}{2} \langle\uparrow|_B (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) (\langle\uparrow\downarrow| - \langle\downarrow\uparrow|) |\uparrow\rangle_B$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \langle\downarrow|_B (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) (\langle\uparrow\downarrow| - \langle\downarrow\uparrow|) |\downarrow\rangle_B$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$
Completely Mixed state

Entropy: How much entangled?

$$S = -\sum_{\mu} p_{\mu} \log p_{\mu}$$
  $p_{\mu}$  : Schmidt coefficient

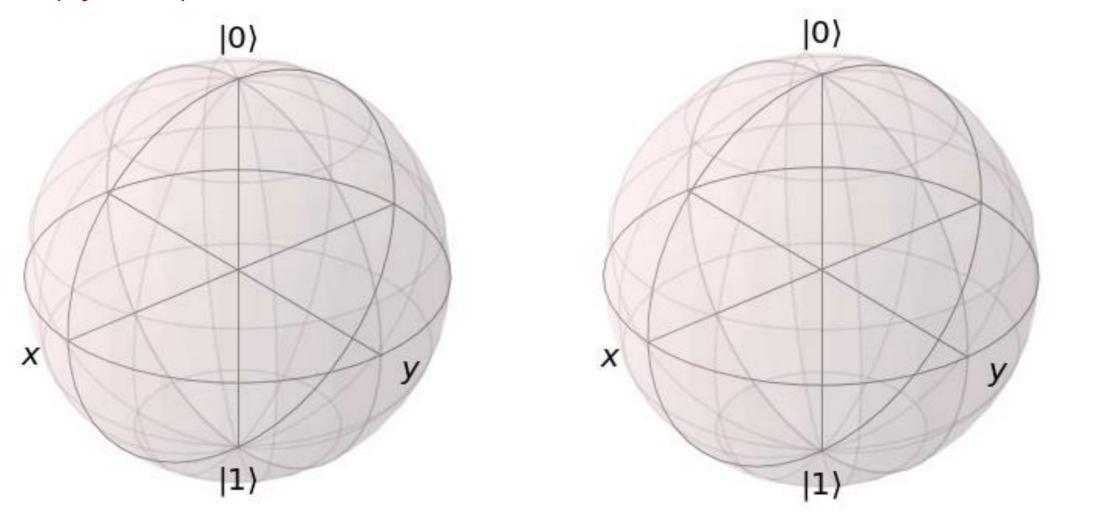
# More on entanglement

$$\hat{H} = \frac{J_1}{2} (\hat{\sigma}_{z1} \otimes I) + \frac{J_2}{2} (I \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{z2}) + \frac{J_{12}}{2} ((\hat{\sigma}_{z1} - I) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_{z2} - I))$$

Initial state :  $|++\rangle$  Note : no decoherence as a whole (no L)

Qubit 1 (system)

Qubit 2 (Env.)



Lab frame

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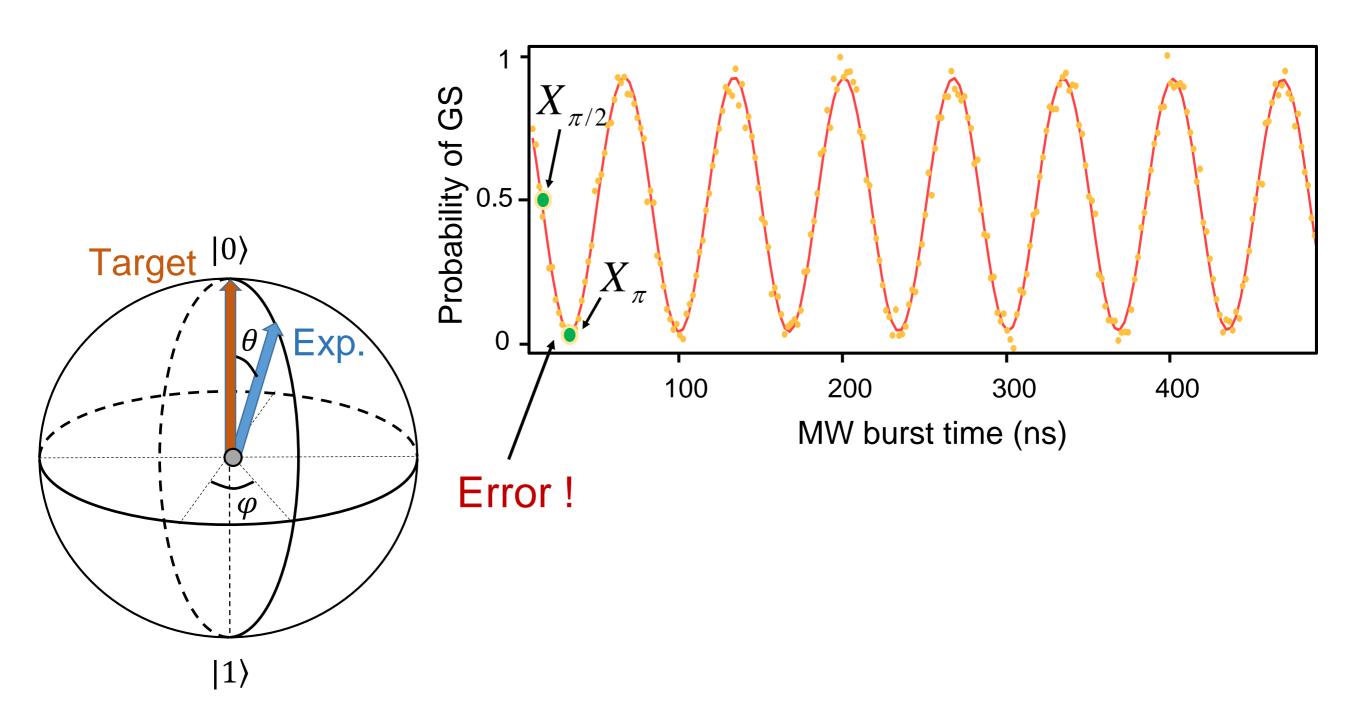
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- $\triangleright$  Quantum noise channels :  $T_1$  ,  $T_2$  time, Entanglement, meaning of decoherence

### Quantum error correction

- Basic concepts
- Bit-flip and Phase-flip error correction
- Experimental examples

### **Quantum Errors**

Quantum gate set is discrete, but quantum control generating a quantum gate is inherently analog.



### Quantum Errors

A general quantum error is a superoperator (Kraus operator):

$$\rho \to \sum A_k \rho A_k^{\dagger}$$

Examples of single-qubit errors:

Bit Flip X: 
$$X |0\rangle = |1\rangle, X |1\rangle = |0\rangle$$

Phase Flip Z: 
$$Z|0\rangle = |0\rangle, Z|1\rangle = -|1\rangle$$

Complete dephasing:  $\rho \rightarrow 1/2(\rho + Z\rho Z^{\dagger})$  (decoherence)

Rotation: 
$$R_0 |0\rangle = |0\rangle$$
,  $R_0 |1\rangle = e^{i\theta} |1\rangle$ 

# Classical Repetition Code

To correct a single bit-flip error for classical data, we can use the repetition code:

$$0 \rightarrow 000$$
$$1 \rightarrow 111$$

If there is a single bit flip error, we can correct the state by choosing the majority of the three bits, e.g.  $010 \rightarrow 0$ . When errors are rare, one error is more likely than two.

### Barriers to Quantum Error Correction

- 1. Measurement of error destroys superpositions.
- 2. No-cloning theorem prevents repetition.
- 3. Must correct multiple types of errors (e.g., bit flip and phase errors).
- 4. How can we correct continuous errors and decoherence?

# Measurement Destroys Superpositions?

Let us apply the classical repetition code to a quantum state to try to correct a bit flip error:

$$\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle \rightarrow \alpha |000\rangle + \beta |111\rangle$$

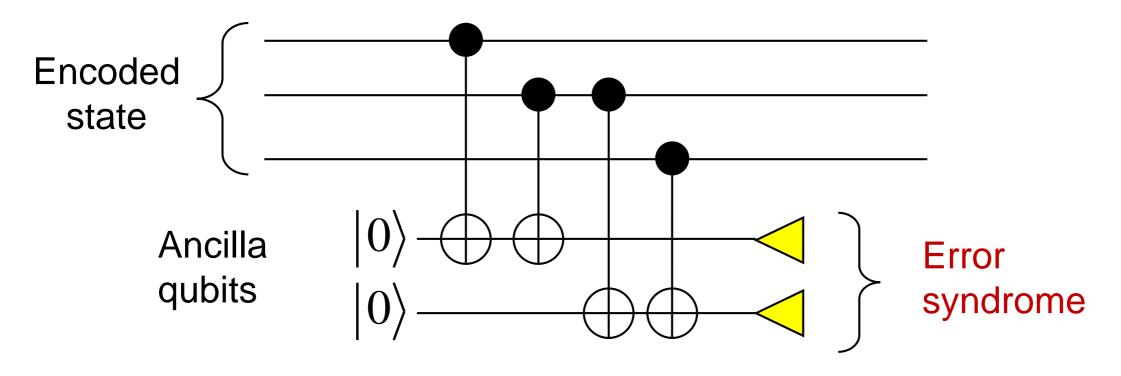
Bit flip error (X) on 2nd qubit:

$$\alpha |010\rangle + \beta |101\rangle$$

2<sup>nd</sup> qubit is now different from 1st and 3rd. We wish to measure that it is different without finding its actual value.

### Measure the Error, Not the Data

Use this circuit:



1st bit of error syndrome says whether the first two bits of the state are the same or different.

2nd bit of error syndrome says whether the second two bits of the state are the same or different.

# Redundancy, Not Repetition

This encoding does not violate the no-cloning theorem:

We have repeated the state only in the computational basis; superposition states are spread out (redundant encoding), but not repeated (which would violate nocloning).

### Update on the Problems

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# Correcting Just Phase Errors

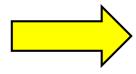
Hadamard transform *H* exchanges bit flip and phase errors:

$$H(\alpha \left| 0 \right\rangle + \beta \left| 1 \right\rangle) = \alpha \left| + \right\rangle + \beta \left| - \right\rangle$$

$$X \left| + \right\rangle = \left| + \right\rangle, X \left| - \right\rangle = - \left| - \right\rangle \quad \text{(acts like phase flip)}$$

$$Z \left| + \right\rangle = \left| - \right\rangle, Z \left| - \right\rangle = \left| + \right\rangle \quad \text{(acts like bit flip)}$$

Repetition code corrects a bit flip error

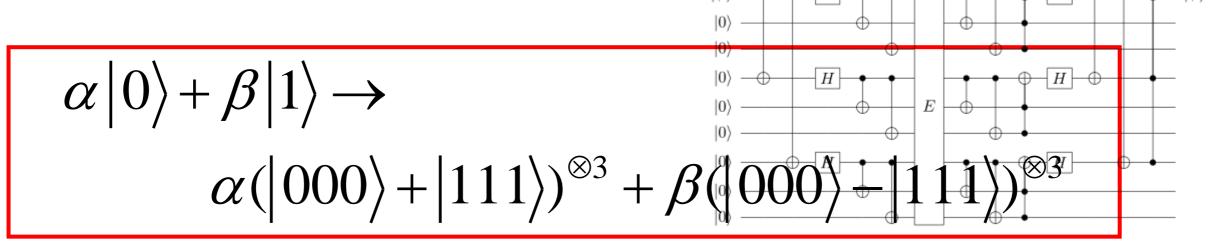


Repetition code in Hadamard basis corrects a phase error.

$$\alpha |+\rangle + \beta |-\rangle \rightarrow \alpha |+++\rangle + \beta |---\rangle$$

### Nine-Qubit Code

To correct both bit flips and phase flips, use both codes at once:



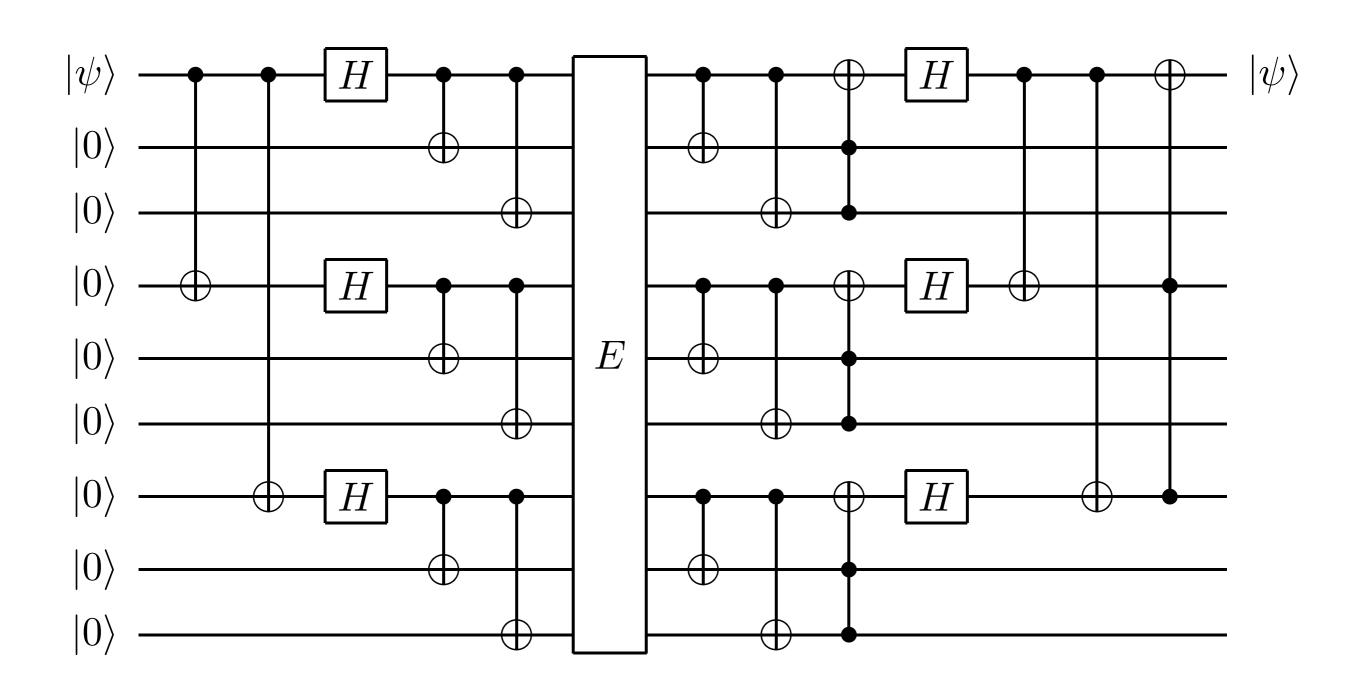
Repetition 000, 111 corrects a bit flip error, repetition of phase +++, --- corrects a phase error

Actually, this code corrects a bit flip and a phase, so it also corrects a *Y* error:

$$Y = iXZ$$
;  $Y | 0 \rangle = i | 1 \rangle$ ,  $Y | 1 \rangle = -i | 0 \rangle$  (global phase irrelevant)

### Nine-Qubit Code

Circuit for the nine-qubit code



### Update on the Problems

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### **Correcting Continuous Rotation**

#### Let us rewrite continuous rotation

$$R_{\theta} |0\rangle = |0\rangle, R_{\theta} |1\rangle = e^{i\theta} |1\rangle$$

$$R_{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\theta} \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\theta/2} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\theta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\theta/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \cos(\theta/2)I - i\sin(\theta/2)Z$$

$$R_{\theta}^{(k)} | \psi \rangle = \cos(\theta / 2) | \psi \rangle - i \sin(\theta / 2) Z^{(k)} | \psi \rangle$$

 $(R_{\theta}^{(k)})$  is  $R_{\theta}$  acting on the kth qubit.)

# **Correcting Continuous Rotations**

How does error correction affect a state with a continuous rotation on it?

$$R_{\theta}^{(k)} |\psi\rangle = \cos(\theta/2) |\psi\rangle - i \sin(\theta/2) Z^{(k)} |\psi\rangle$$

$$\longrightarrow \cos(\theta/2) |\psi\rangle |I\rangle - i \sin(\theta/2) Z^{(k)} |\psi\rangle |Z^{(k)}\rangle$$
Error syndrome

Measuring the error syndrome collapses the state:

Prob.  $\cos^2(\theta/2)$ :  $|\psi\rangle$  (no correction needed)

Prob.  $\sin^2(\theta/2)$ :  $Z^{(k)}|\psi\rangle$  (corrected with  $Z^{(k)}$ )

# Correcting All Single-Qubit Errors

Theorem: If a quantum error-correcting code (QECC) corrects errors A and B, it also corrects  $\alpha A + \beta B$ .

Any 2x2 matrix can be written as  $\alpha I + \beta X + \gamma Y + \delta Z$ .

A general single-qubit error  $ho o \sum A_k 
ho A_k^\dagger$  acts like a mixture of  $|\psi\rangle o A_k |\psi\rangle$ , and  $A_k$  is a 2x2 matrix.

Any QECC that corrects the single-qubit errors X, Y, and Z (plus I) corrects every single-qubit error.

Correcting all t-qubit X, Y, Z on t qubits (plus I) corrects all t-qubit errors.

# Small Error on Every Qubit

Suppose we have a small error  $U_{\varepsilon}$  on every qubit in the QECC, where  $U_{\varepsilon}=I+\varepsilon E.$ 

Then

$$U_{\varepsilon}^{\otimes n} |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle + \varepsilon (E^{(1)} + ... + E^{(n)}) |\psi\rangle + O(\varepsilon^{2}).$$

If the code corrects one-qubit errors, it corrects the sum of the  $E^{(i)}$ s. Therefore it corrects the  $O(\mathcal{E})$  term, and the state remains correct to order  $\mathcal{E}^2$ .

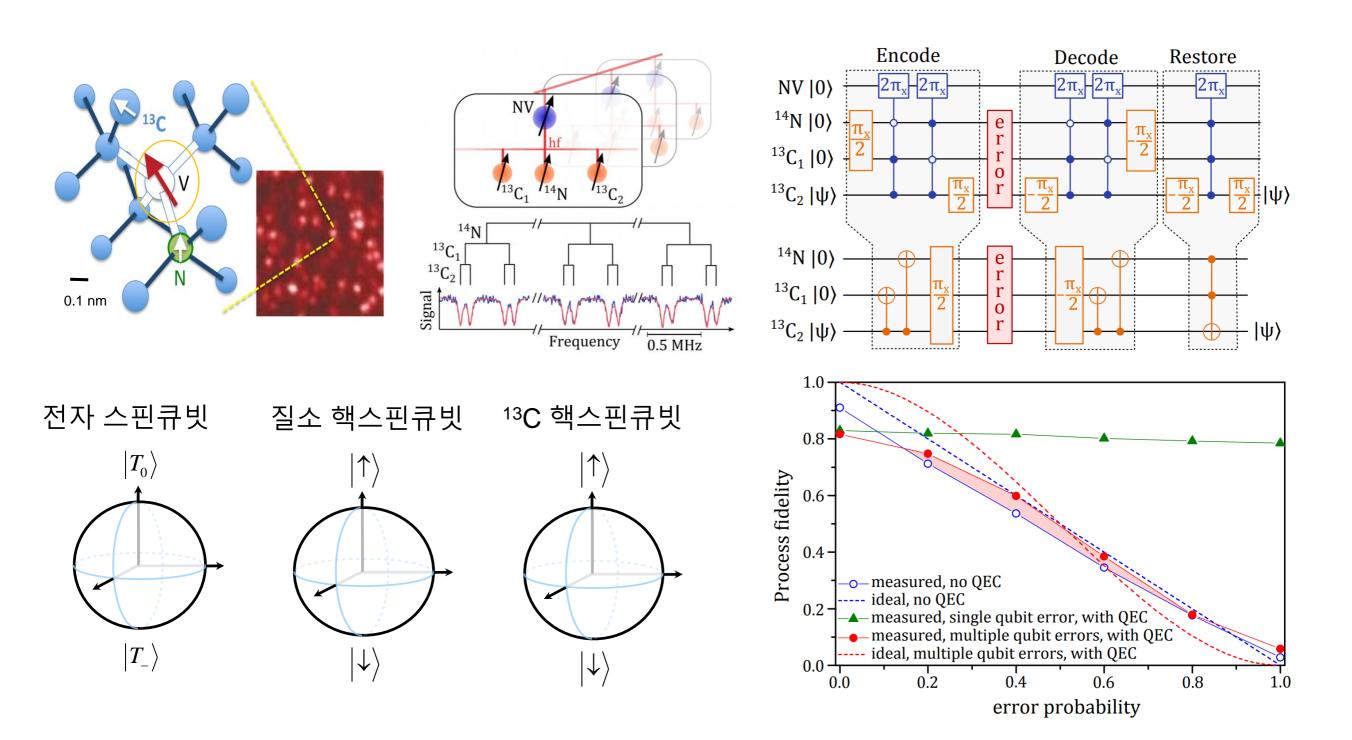
A code correcting t errors keeps the state correct to order  $\mathcal{E}^{t+1}$ .

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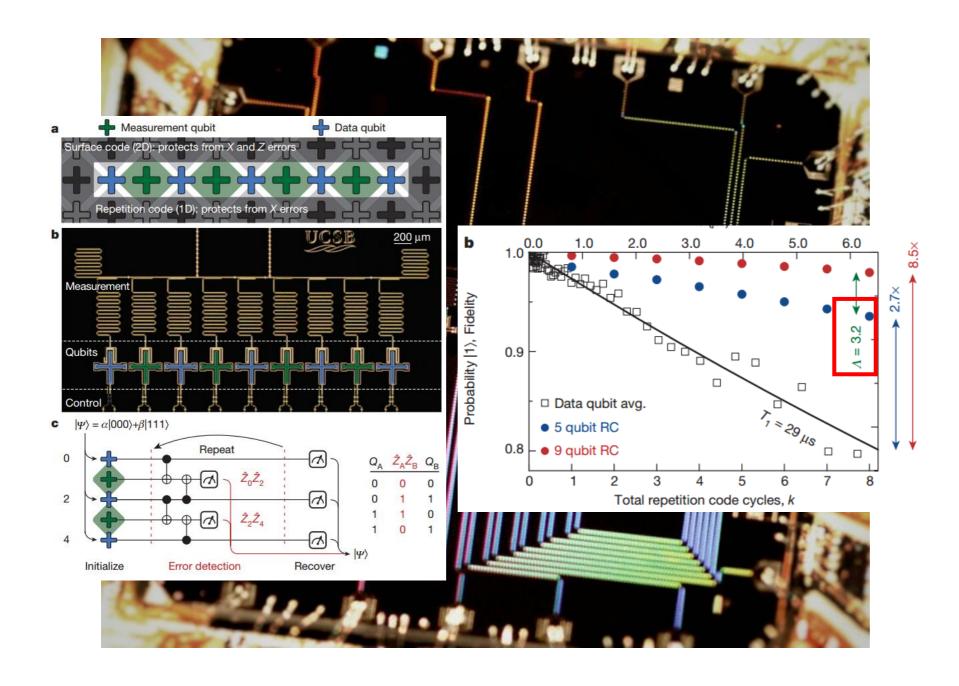
Formally, stabilizer formalism for constructing & designing error correction codes

### Error correction example: Diamond NV center



No syndrome measurement, but proof-ofprinciple

### Error correction example: Transmon



State preservation by repetitive measurements

- John Martinis UCSB, Google
- 9 coupled linear transmon array
- Surface code error correction demonstrated (<u>X flip</u> error)
- X,Z gate time ~ 10ns
- CPHASE gate time ~ 100ns
- $T_2 \sim 10 \mu s$
- 1Q gate error < <u>0.2%</u>
- 2Q gate error < <u>1%</u>
- 2Q gate enabled by direct capacitive coupling
- Frequency multiplexed single-shot dispersive readout

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