

# Quantum control, decoherence, and quantum error correction

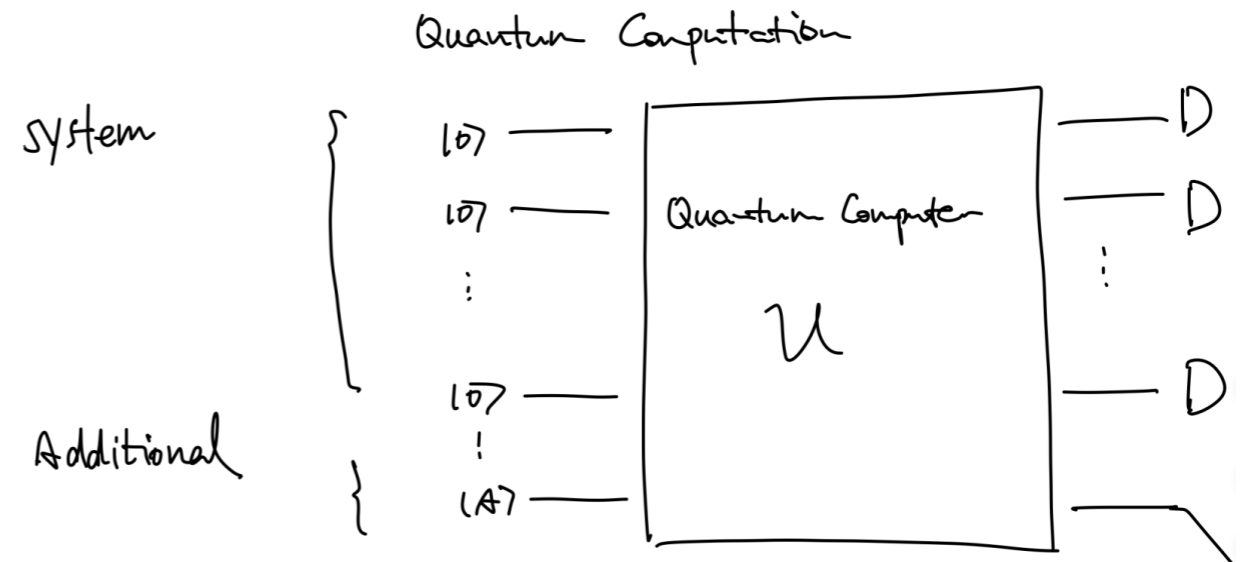
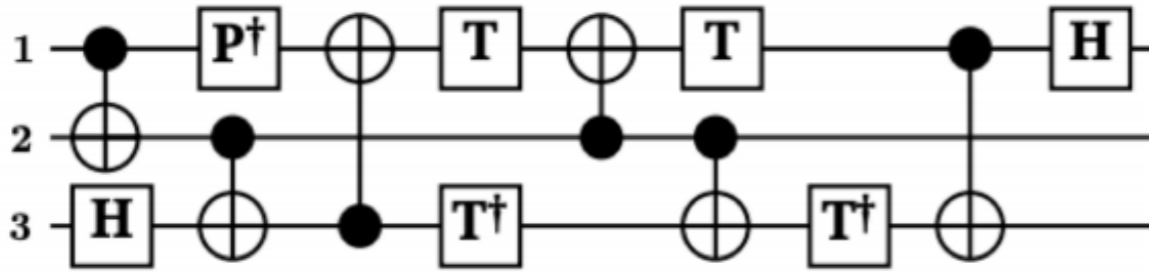
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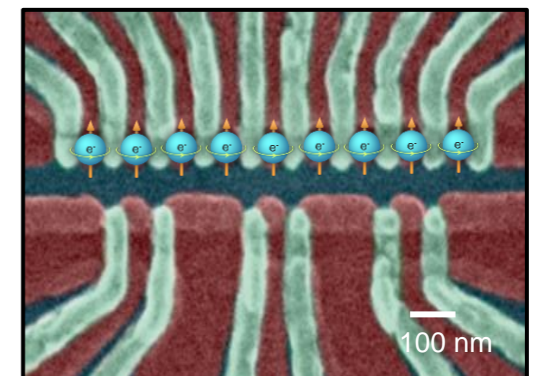
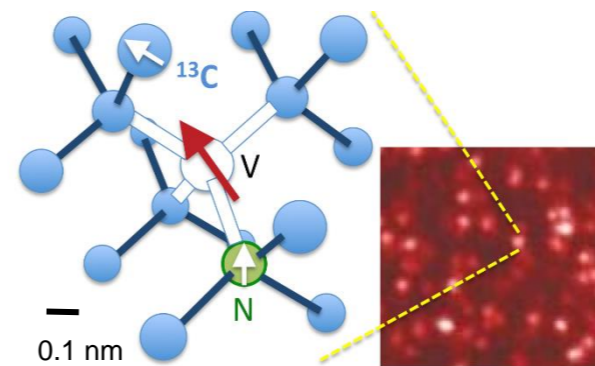
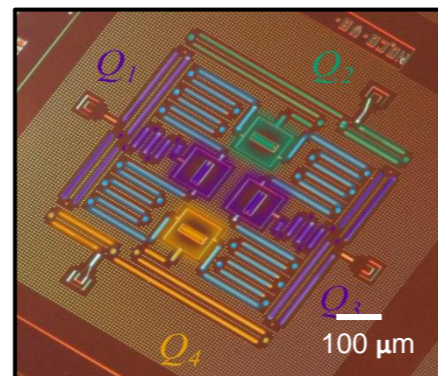
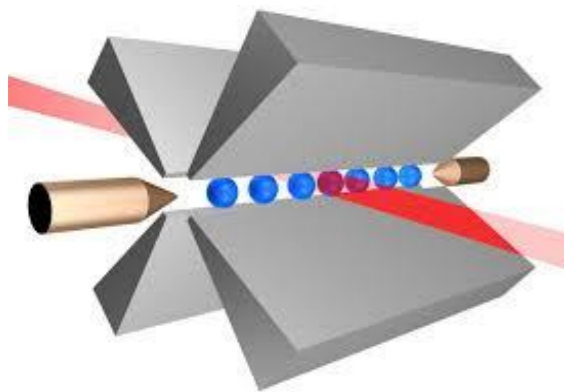
# Aim of this lecture

## 전반부



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## 후반부



# Outline

## Introduction

## Quantum control and decoherence

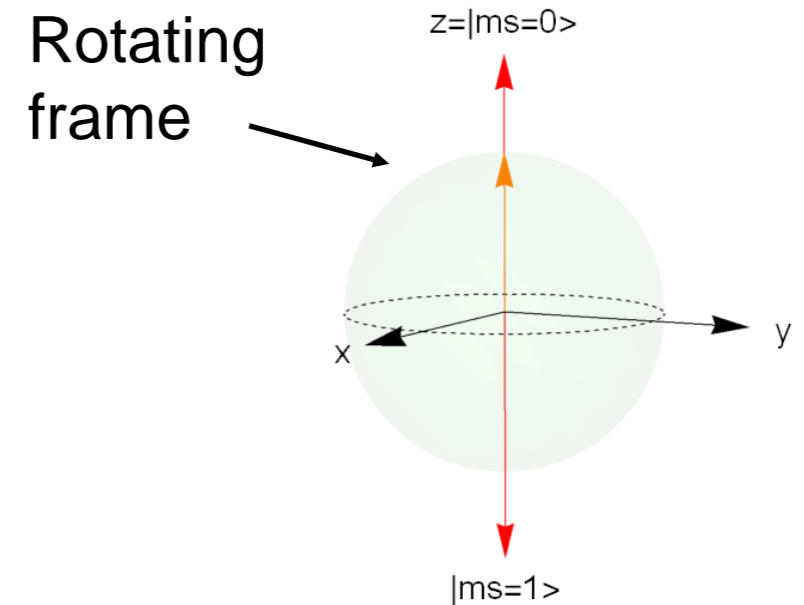
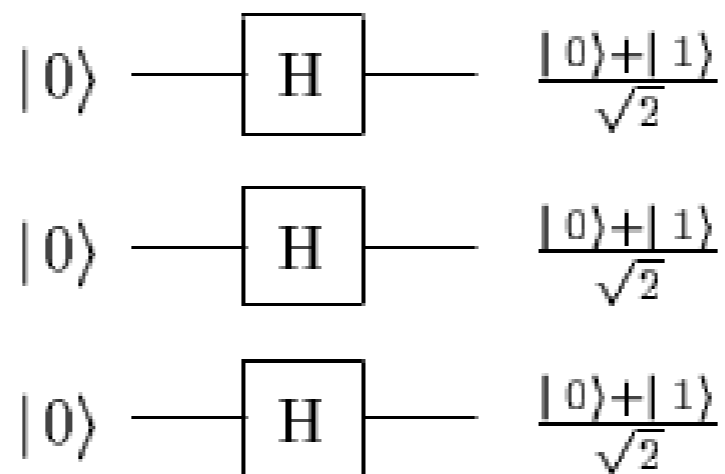
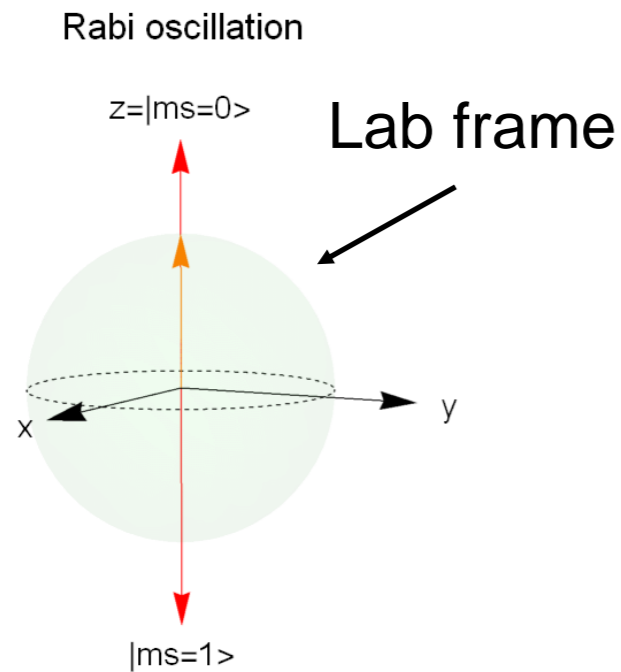
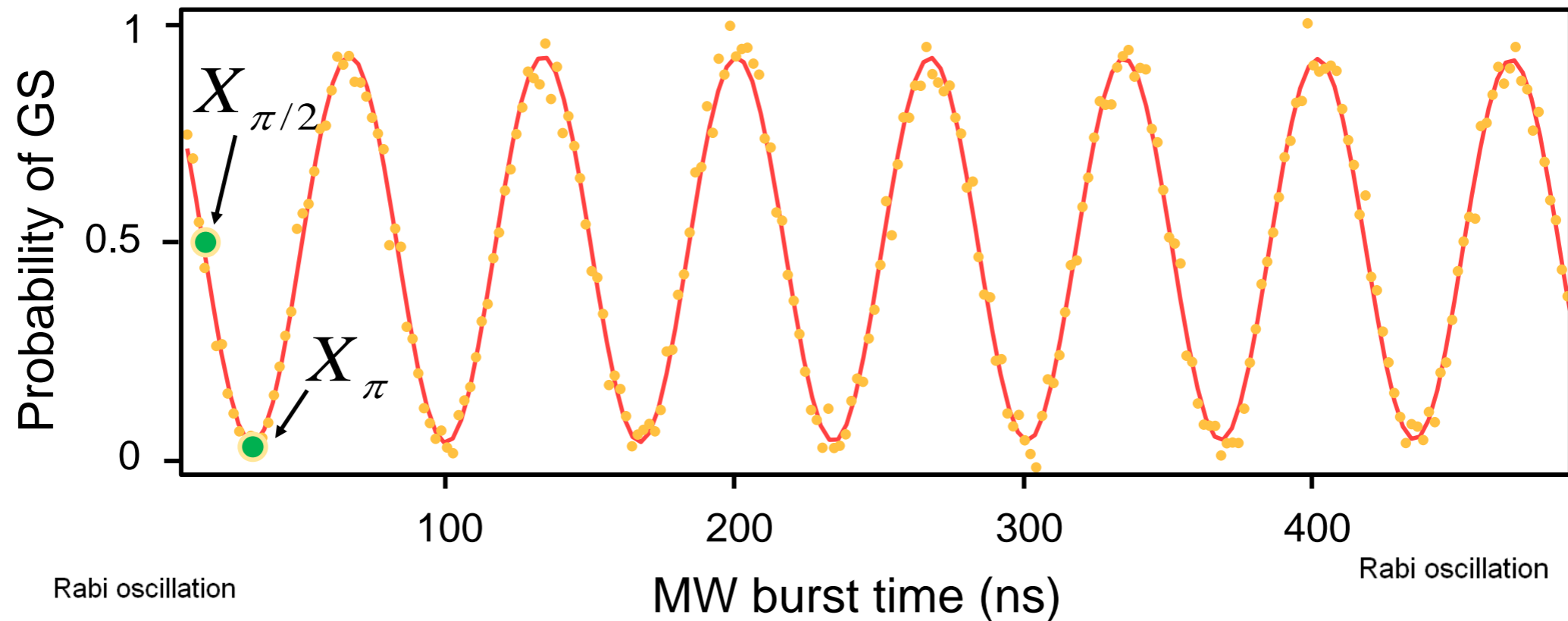
- 1Q, 2Q gate
- Master equations in the Markov approximation
- Quantum noise channels

## Quantum error correction

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

# Single qubit gate : coherent rotation

Coherent Rabi pulse + Phase control = Single qubit rotation gates



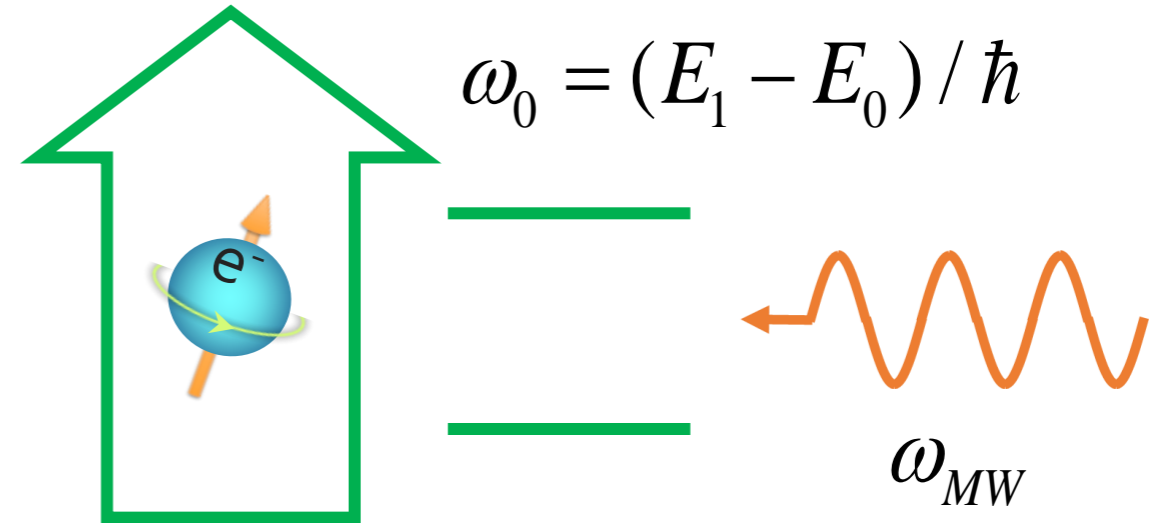
# Control of quantum two level system

## Rabi oscillation

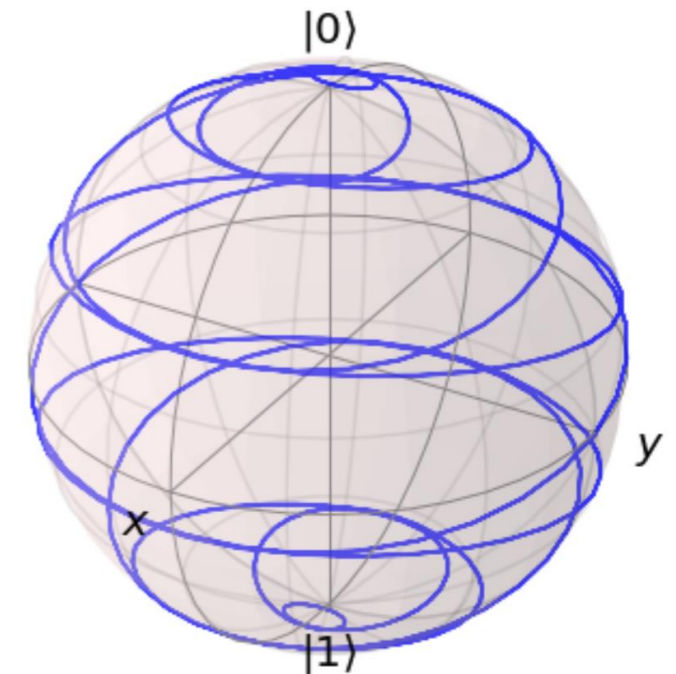
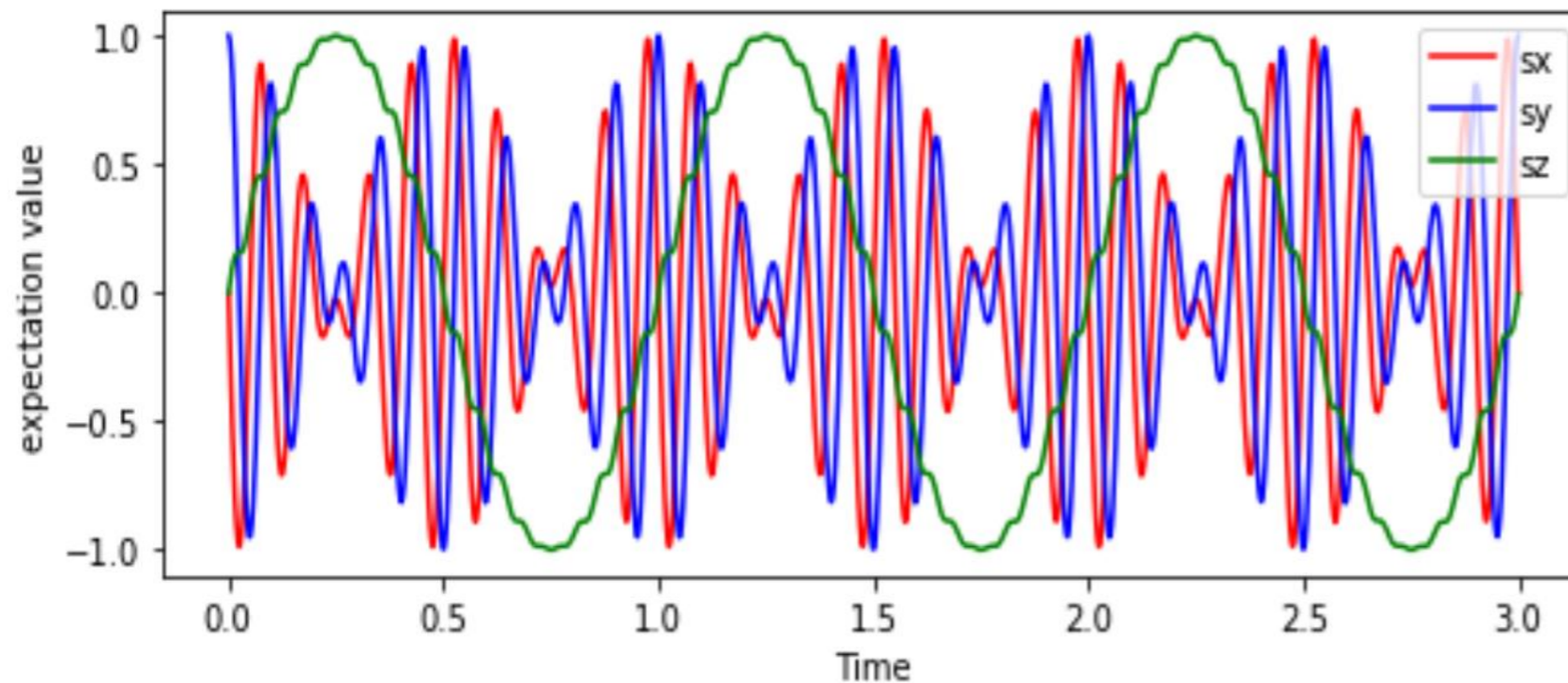
Two level system, with

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

Apply harmonic radiation



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



# Control of quantum two level system

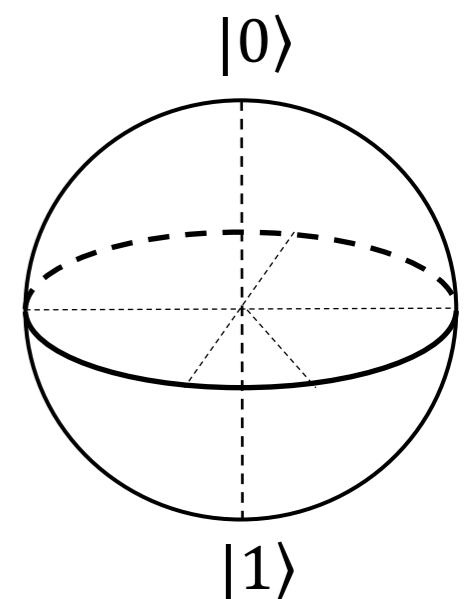
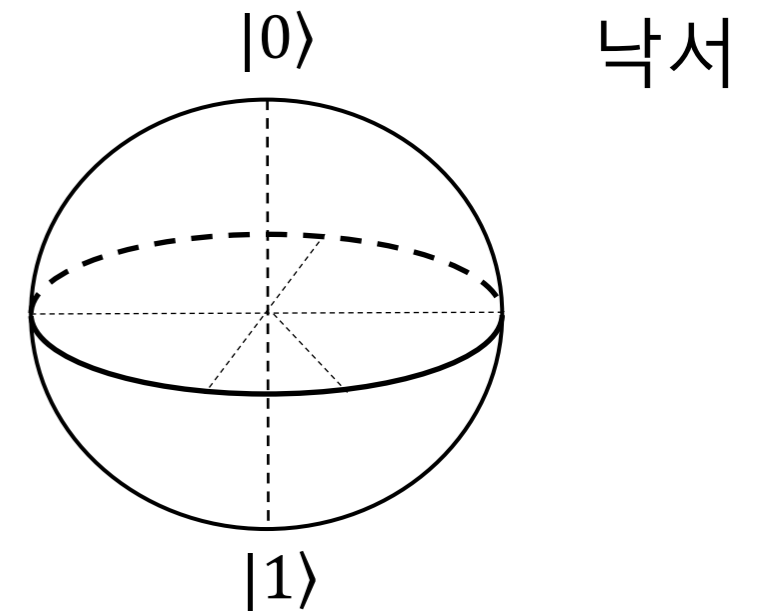
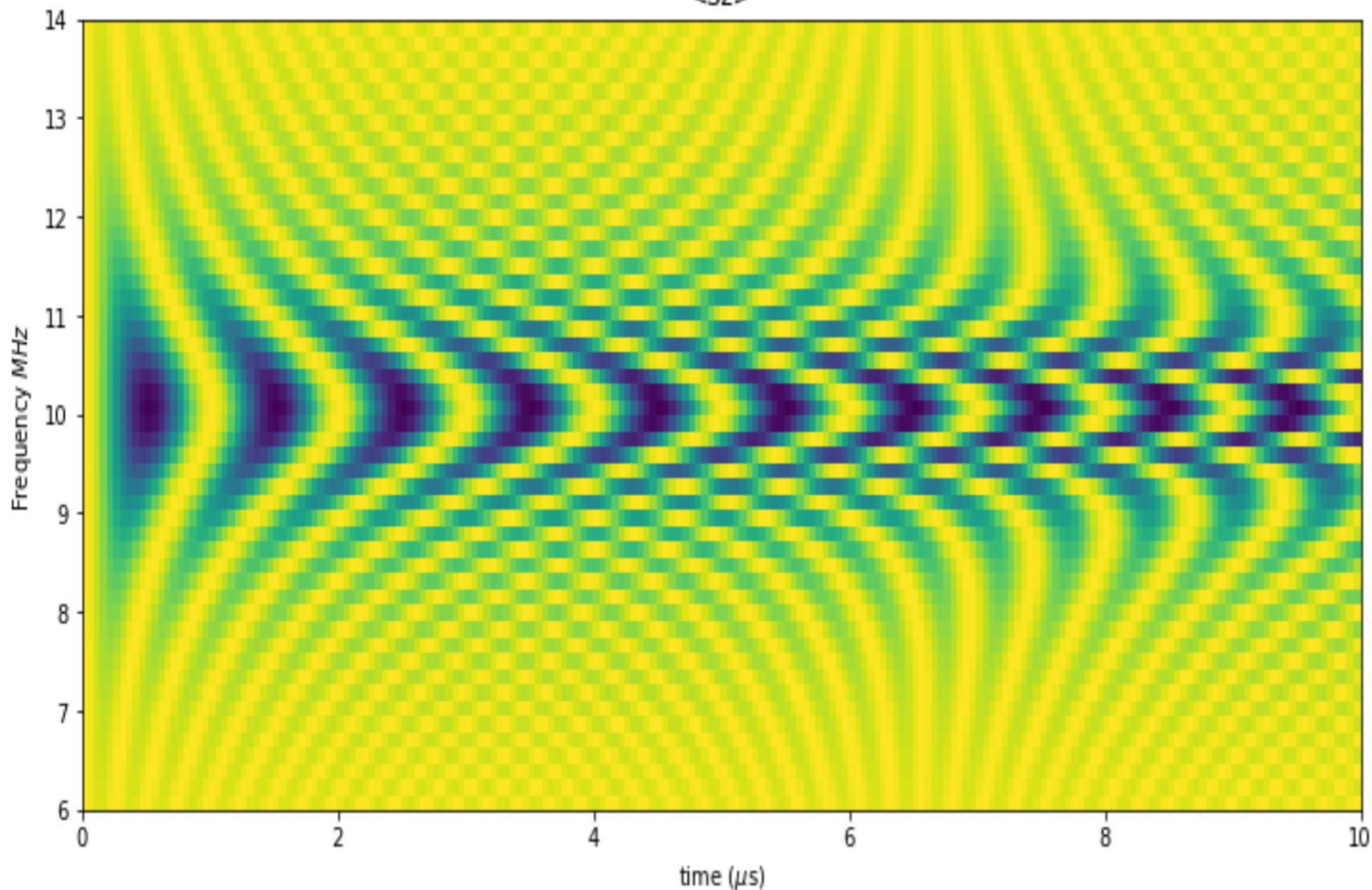
Rotating frame: RWA approximation

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

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

Q : Hadamard Gate ?

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

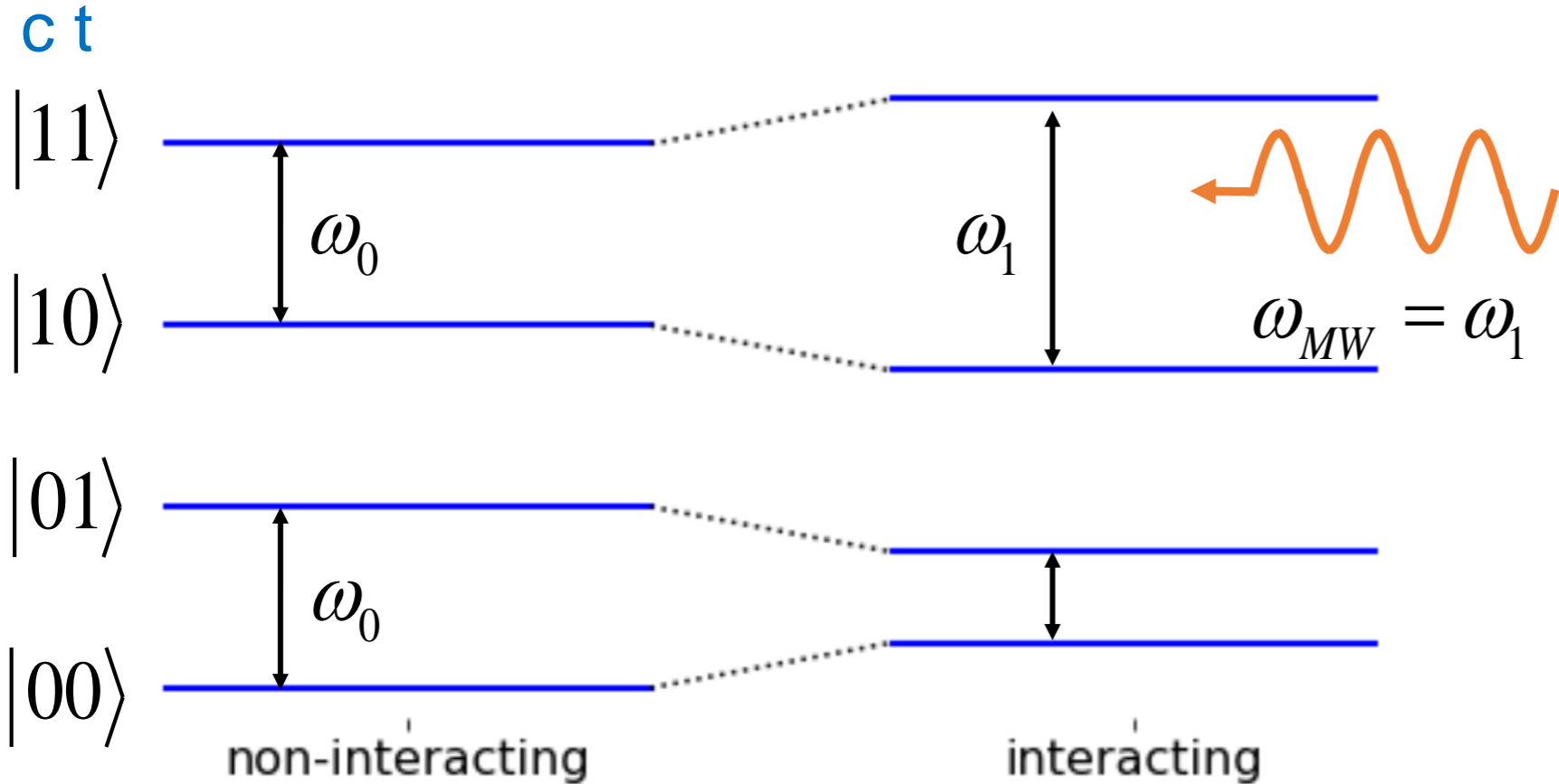


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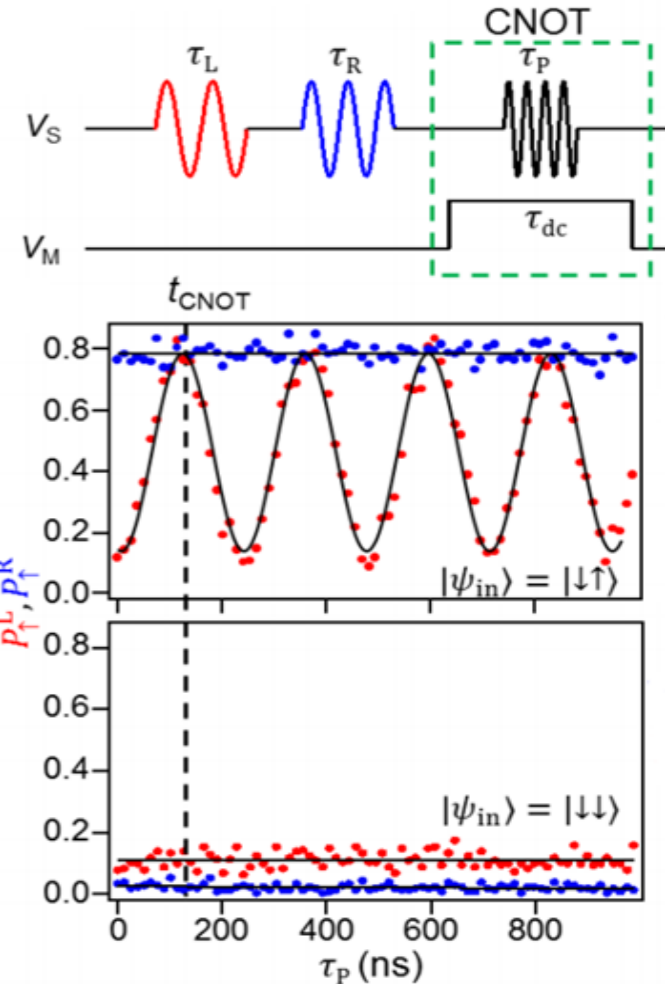
## Two qubit gate

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

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



## 반도체 스핀 큐비트의 예



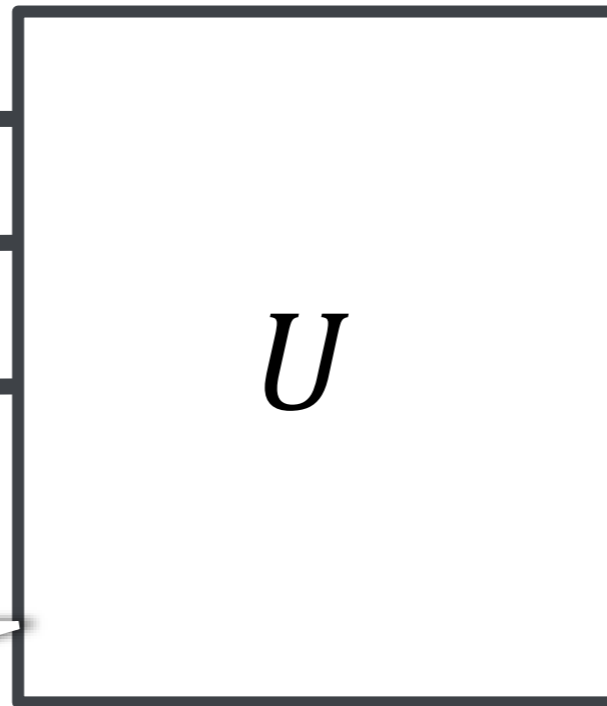
# Coherent time evolution : computation

Inputs : Coherent superposition

$$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

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Output : Final projective measurement

Computation = Quantum mechanical time evolution

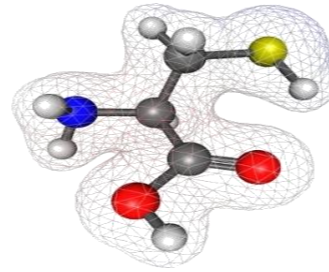
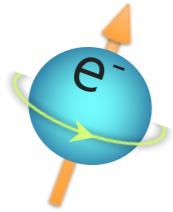
Understanding / controlling **system – environment interaction** is crucial

Interaction with environment





# Quantum to classical transition

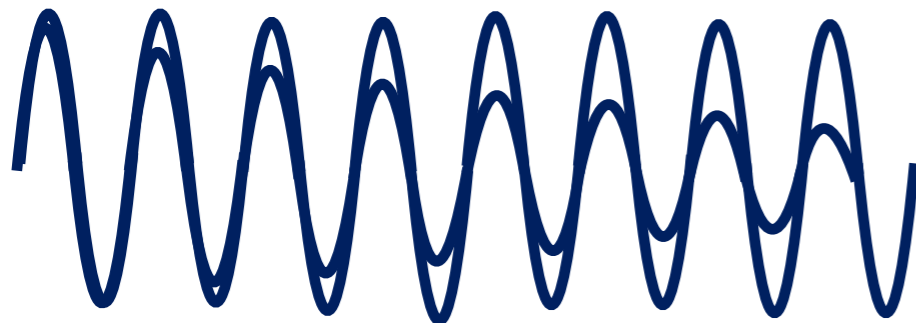


## Decoherence

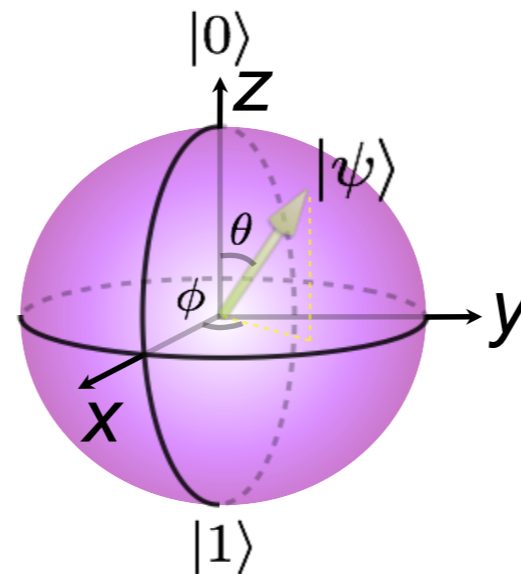
$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

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



Quantum noise = decoherence, control error, etc.

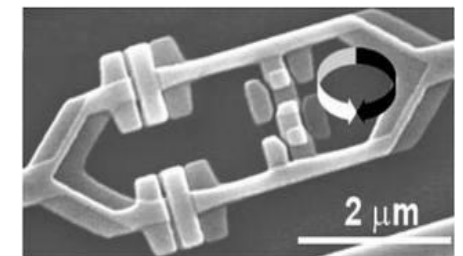


$$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

$$\alpha = \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

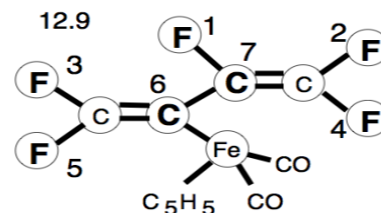
$$\beta = e^{i\phi}\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

## Superconductor



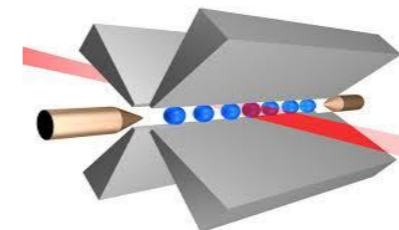
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## NMR



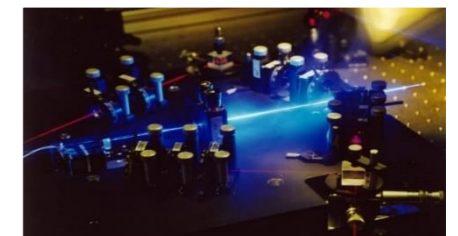
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## Trapped Ions/Atoms



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## Optics



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*Nature* **409**, 46 (2001)

# Open quantum system

## From closed to open quantum system

	Closed	Open
1. State	Ket vector $ \Psi\rangle$	Density Matrix $\hat{\rho}$
2. Dynamics	Schrodinger	Master eq.
3. Measurement	Projective	Generalized (weak) Measurement

## Density matrix

$$\hat{\rho} = \sum_i p_i |\Psi_i\rangle\langle\Psi_i|$$

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

## Properties

$$\hat{\rho}^\dagger = \hat{\rho}$$

$$\text{Tr}(\rho) = 1$$

$$\rho^2 = \rho \quad \text{iff pure.}$$

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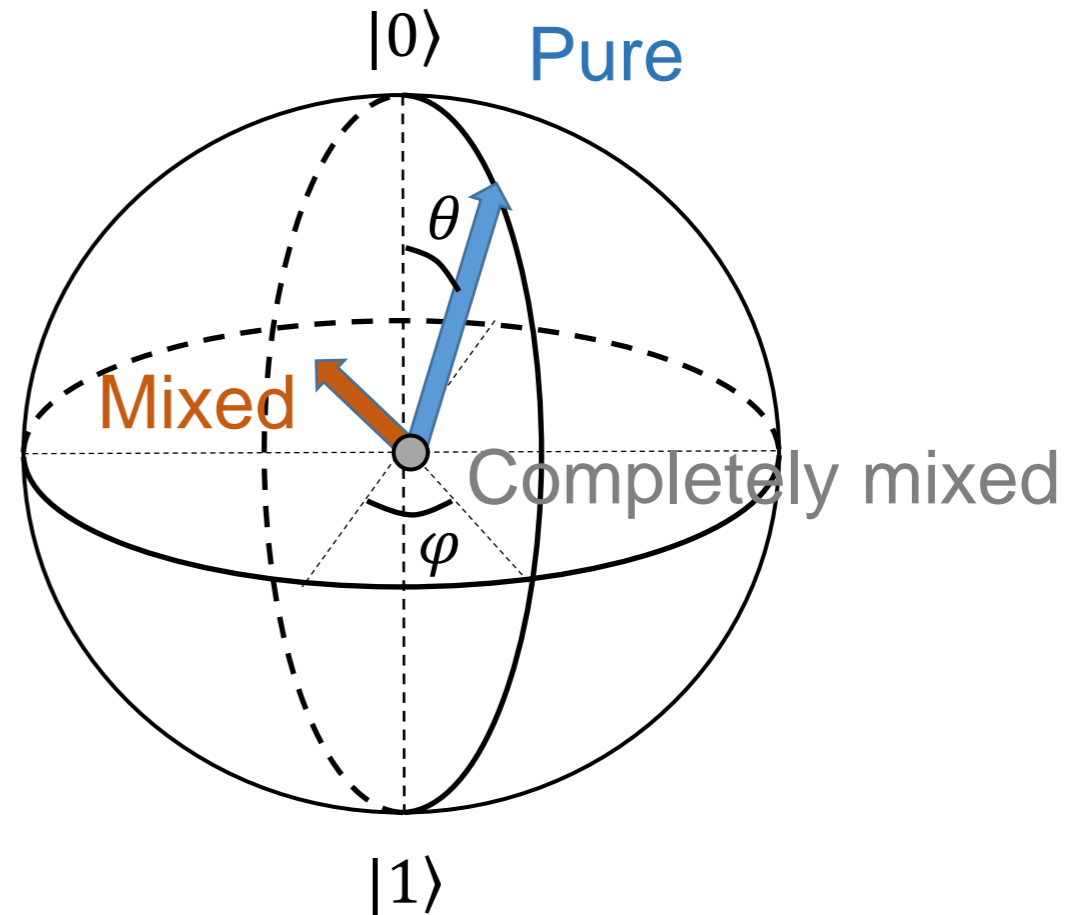
$\text{Tr}(\rho^2)$  is called *purity*

# 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.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(\rho^2) &= \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} \left( I + 2 \sum m_i \sigma_i + \sum m_i m_j \sigma_i \sigma_j \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \sum m_i^2 \right) \quad : \text{By orthogonality} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq \text{purity} \leq 1 \Rightarrow |\vec{m}| \leq 1 \quad \text{Bloch Sphere rep.}$$

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# Examples of Quantum channel

Application of L form to two-level system

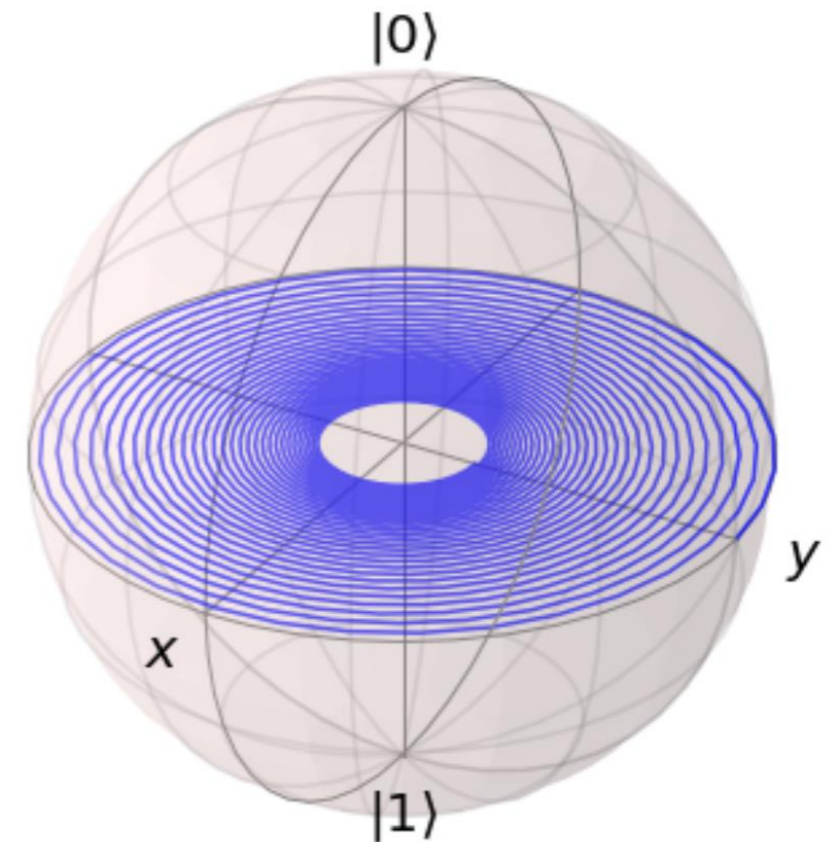
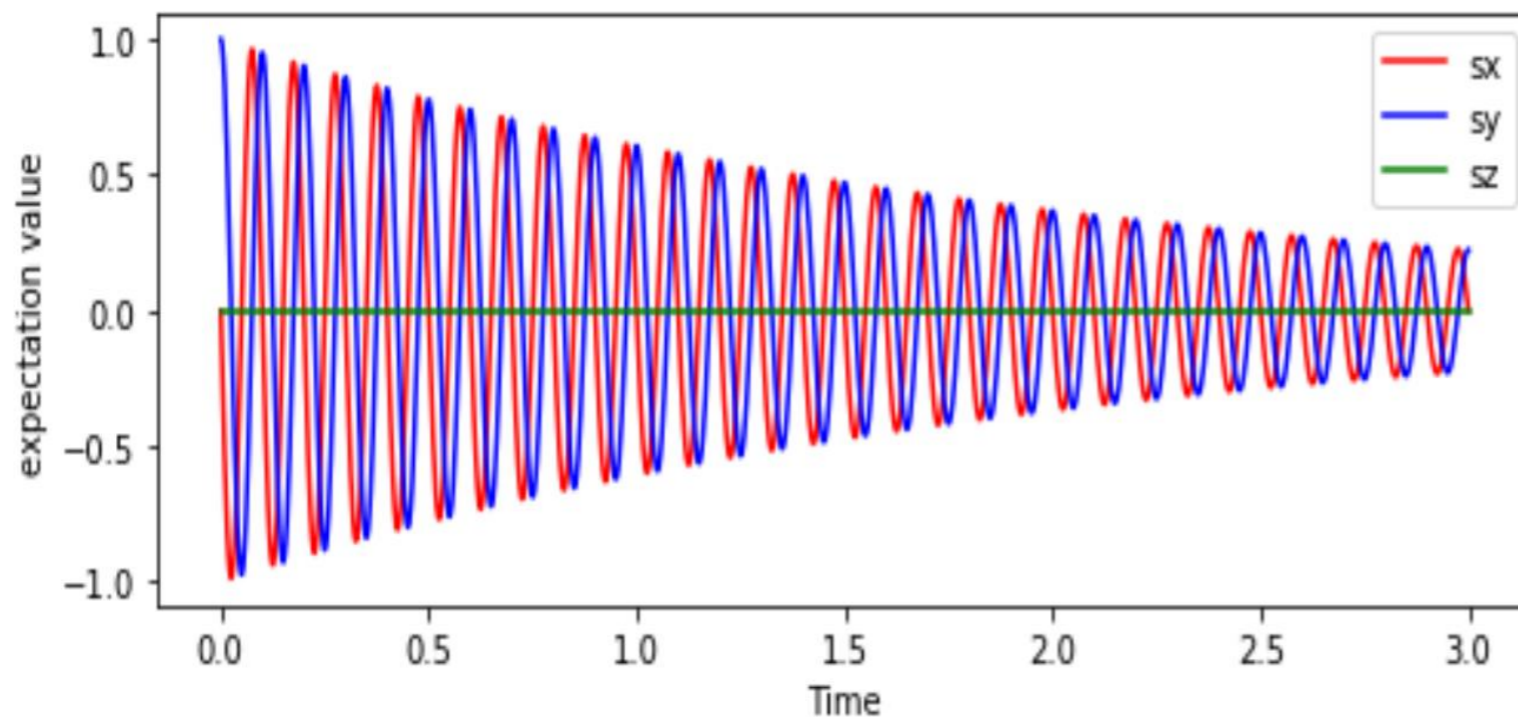
Pure dephasing channel

$$H_S = \begin{pmatrix} E_0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_1 = L_1^\dagger = \sqrt{\gamma} \sigma_+ \sigma_- = \sqrt{\gamma} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Fluctuating energy levels

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

In the Lab frame,



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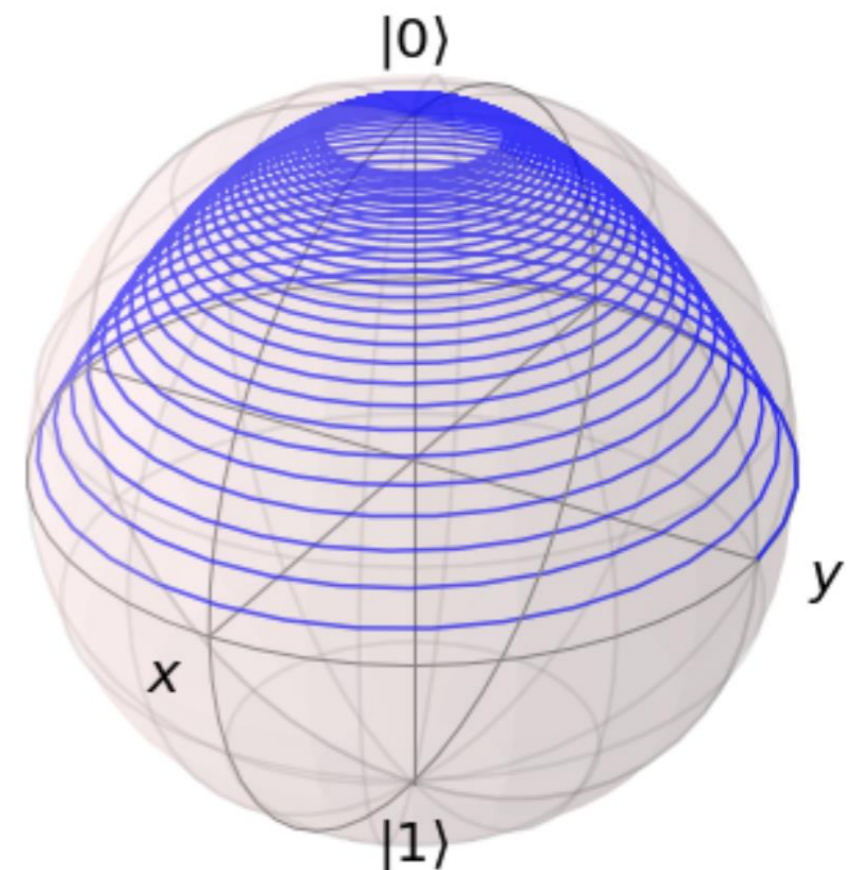
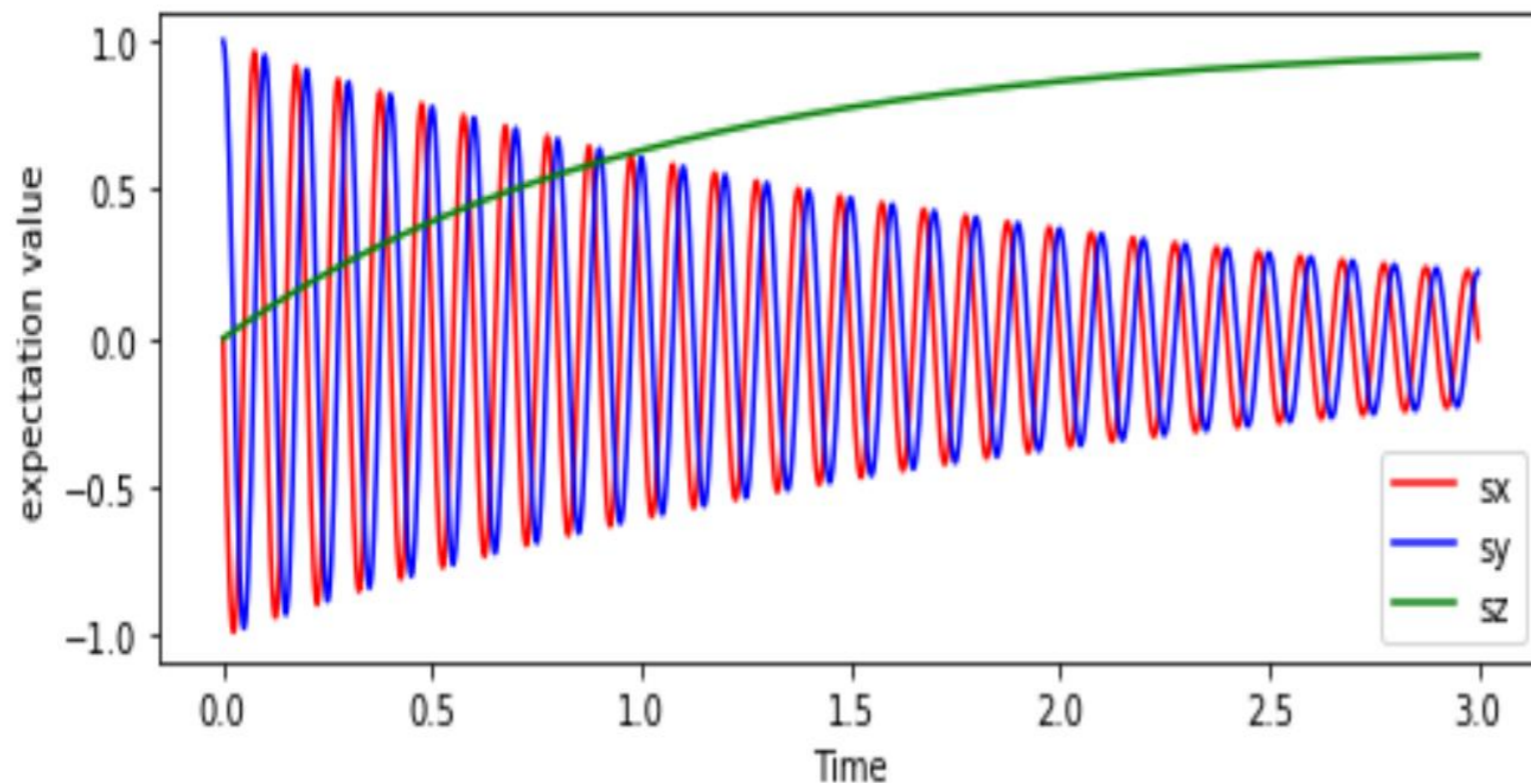
Amplitude damping (relaxation) channel

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

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:  $U_{SE}$

Environment orthonormal basis:  $\{|\mu\rangle_E\}$

Special proposition:  $\hat{\rho}_{SE}(t) = \hat{\rho}_S(0) \otimes \hat{\rho}_E(0) = \hat{\rho}_S(0) \otimes |0\rangle_E \langle 0|_E$

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

$$\hat{\rho}_S(t) = \text{Tr}_E(U_{SE}(t) \hat{\rho}_{SE}(0) U_{SE}^\dagger(t))$$

$$= \sum_{\mu} \langle \mu |_E U_{SE}(t) |0\rangle_E \hat{\rho}_S(0) \langle 0 |_E U_{SE}^\dagger(t) | \mu \rangle_E$$

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



# Dynamics of open quantum system

Operator-sum representation

낙서

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_s(t) &= \sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t) \hat{\rho}_s(0) M_{\mu}^{\dagger}(t) \\ &= a[\hat{\rho}_s(0)] \quad \text{Unitary evolution?} \\ &\quad \text{in general no.}\end{aligned}$$

Special case : pure state

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_s(t) &= \sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t) |\psi_s(0)\rangle \langle \psi_s(0)| M_{\mu}^{\dagger}(t) \\ &= \sum_{\mu} |\psi_s(t)\rangle \langle \psi_s(t)| \\ &= \sum_{\mu} p_{\mu}(t) |\psi_s(t)\rangle \langle \psi_s(t)|\end{aligned}$$

Not unitary operator  
Not diagonal rep.  
Generally mixed state

$$|\psi_s(t)\rangle \equiv M_{\mu}(t) |\psi_s(0)\rangle$$

$$|\psi_s(t)\rangle \equiv \frac{|\psi_s(t)\rangle}{\| |\psi_s(t)\rangle \|}$$

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)

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

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

## 3. Trace preserving (TP condition)

$$\begin{aligned} Tr_S[a[\rho_S]] &= Tr_S\left(\sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t)\hat{\rho}_S(0)M_{\mu}^{\dagger}(t)\right) \\ &= Tr_S\left(\sum_{\mu} (M_{\mu}(t)M_{\mu}^{\dagger}(t))\hat{\rho}_S(0)\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\mu} M_{\mu}(t)M_{\mu}^{\dagger}(t) &= \sum_{\mu} \langle 0|_E U_{SE}^{\dagger}(t) (|\mu\rangle_E \langle \mu|_E) U_{SE}(t) |0\rangle_E \\ &= \langle 0|_E U_{SE}^{\dagger}(t) U_{SE}(t) |0\rangle_E = \hat{I}_S \end{aligned}$$

# Dynamics of open quantum system

## Closed quantum system

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

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

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

## Open quantum system

what is generator of time-translation?

$$\hat{\rho}_S(t_2) = a[\hat{\rho}_S(t_1)]$$

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

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

# 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

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

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

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

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

# Dynamics of open quantum system

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_S(t + dt) &= M_0 \hat{\rho}_S(t) M_0^\dagger + \sum_{\mu \neq 0} M_\mu \hat{\rho}_S(t) M_\mu^\dagger \\ &= \left( \hat{I} - \frac{i}{\hbar} H_{eff} dt \right) \hat{\rho}_S(t) \left( \hat{I} - \frac{i}{\hbar} H_{eff} dt \right) + \sum_{\mu} L_\mu \hat{\rho}_S(t) L_\mu^\dagger dt \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d\rho_S}{dt} &= -\frac{i}{\hbar} [H_{eff}, \hat{\rho}_S(t)] + \sum_{\mu} L_\mu \hat{\rho}_S(t) L_\mu^\dagger\end{aligned}$$

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

$$|\phi_A\rangle \otimes |\phi_B\rangle,$$

$$\text{where, } |\phi_A\rangle \in H_A, |\phi_B\rangle \in H_B$$

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

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

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

Schmidt decomposition for pure state

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

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

# Composite systems: Entanglement

## Partial Trace

$$\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i |\Psi_i\rangle_{AB} \langle \Psi_i|_{AB} \quad \text{'Trace out' environment -> information loss?}$$

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B \rho_{AB} = \sum_j \langle \psi_j|_B p_i |\Psi_i\rangle_{AB} \langle \Psi_i|_{AB} |\psi_j\rangle_B$$

## 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?

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

# More on entanglement

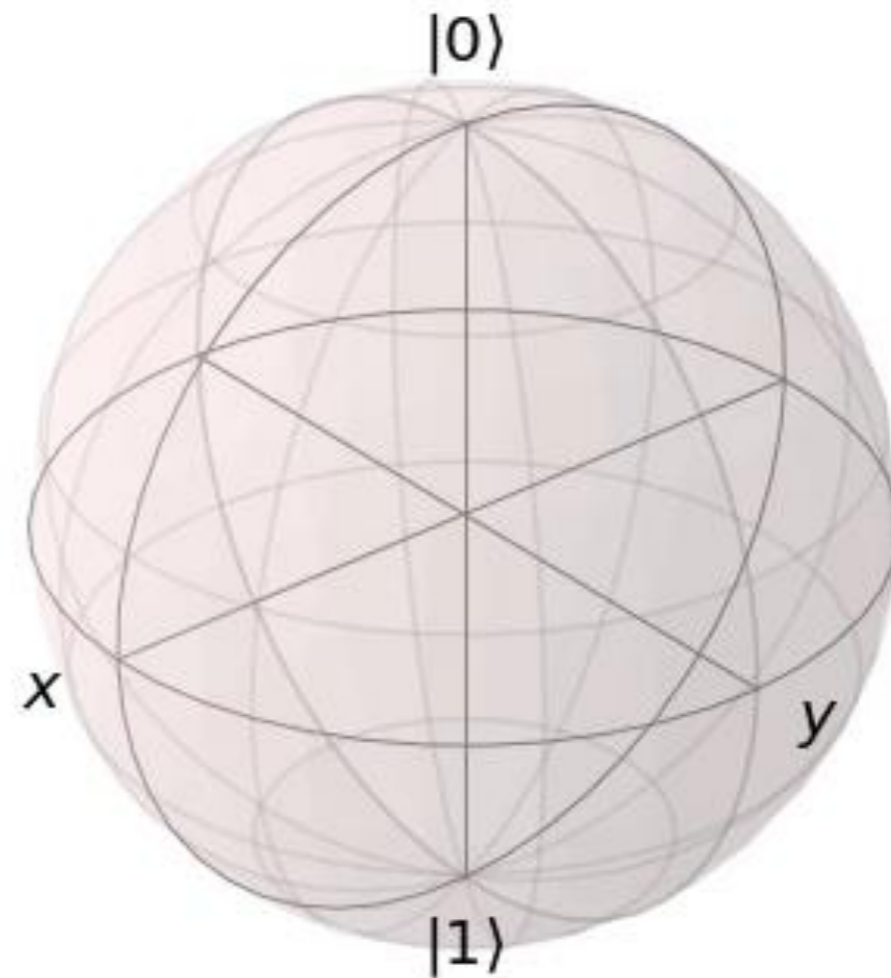
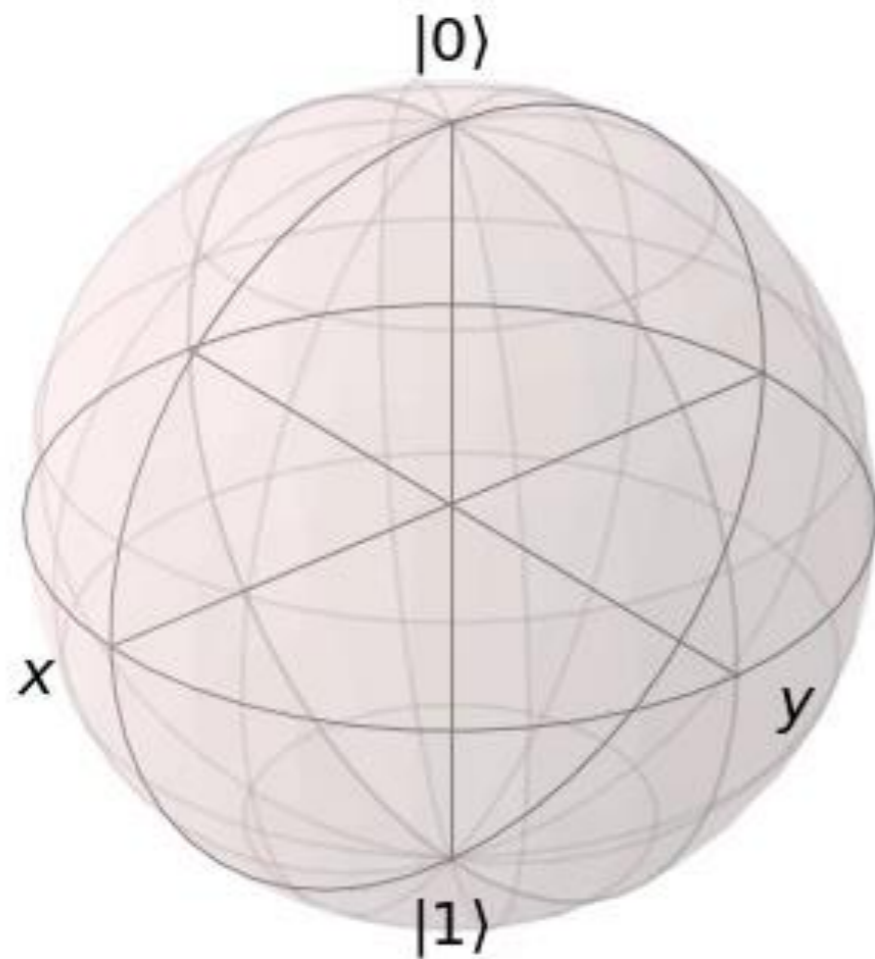
$$\hat{H} = \frac{J_1}{2} (\hat{\sigma}_{z1} \otimes I) + \frac{J_2}{2} (I \otimes \hat{\sigma}_{z2}) + \frac{J_{12}}{2} ((\hat{\sigma}_{z1} - I) \otimes (\hat{\sigma}_{z2} - I))$$

Initial state :  $|++\rangle$

Note : no decoherence as a whole (no L)

Qubit 1 (system)

Qubit 2 (Env.)



Lab frame