

**Quantum observations  
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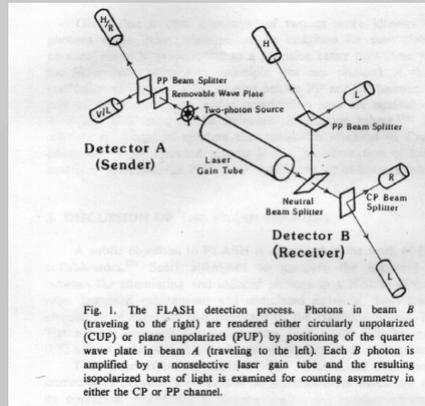
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**Quantum information:  
Distribution and manipulation**

# Bell Telephone & FLASH



Can quantum nonlocality of entangled states be used for super-luminal communication?

N.Herbert, *Found. Phys.* 12, 1171 (1982)

# Alphabet in Bell Telephone & Flash

- Singlet states

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\psi\rangle_A |\psi^\perp\rangle_B - |\psi^\perp\rangle_A |\psi\rangle_B)$$

exhibits perfect quantum correlations for polarization measurement along orthogonal but *arbitrary* axes.

- Alice and Bob have pair before any communication

Alice might like to send a message to Bob. She performs a measurement on her particle in one of the two bases

$$\{|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle\} \text{ and } \{|\leftarrow\rangle, |\rightarrow\rangle\}$$

After Alice performs her measurement in one of the bases, say  $\{|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle\}$

Then she can predict with certainty what Bob's result would be if he performs a measurement in the same basis.

$$\text{logical zero} = \text{basis } \{|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle\}$$

$$\text{logical one} = \text{basis } \{|\leftarrow\rangle, |\rightarrow\rangle\}$$

- Infinite (continuous) alphabet:

$$\{|\psi\rangle, |\psi^\perp\rangle\}$$

**Question:** Can we discriminate (reconstruct) quantum states based on results of measurements performed on a single quantum object?

# Optimal reconstructions of qubits

- average fidelity of estimation

$$F = \frac{N+1}{N+2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{N}{N+2} \right]$$

$$F = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

- Estimated density operator on average

$$\hat{\rho}_{est} = s\hat{\rho} + \frac{1-s}{2}\hat{I}; \quad s = 2F - 1 = \frac{N}{N+2}$$

- Construction of optimal (& finite-dimensional) POVM's – maximize the fidelity  $F$

- POVM via von Neumann projectors – Naimark theorem

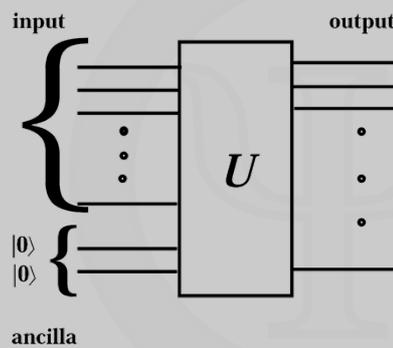
- Optimal decoding of information

- Optimal preparation of quantum systems

- Recycling of q-information

S.Massar and S.Popescu, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 74, 1259 (1995)  
 A.Latorre, P.Pascual, and R.Tarrach, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 81, 1351 (1998)  
 R.Gill and S.Massar, *Phys. Rev. A* 61, 042312 (2000)  
 M.Hayashi, *Asymptotic Theory of Quantum Statistical Inference* (Academic Press, NY, 2005)

# Naimark theorem



the optimal POVM can be physically realized via a quantum network and subsequent orthogonal measurement e.g. in the standard base

- number of auxiliary qbits is such that the space of all qbits with  $2^d$  dimensions can accommodate  $(N+1)^2$  orthogonal projectors

- the unitary transformation  $U$  reads:

$$|i\rangle \xrightarrow{U^i} |V_i\rangle + \sum_{j=d+1}^R V_{ij}^* |\bar{K}_j\rangle$$

$i=1,2,\dots,R$

$$|i\rangle \xrightarrow{U^i} |i\rangle \quad i=R+1,\dots,2^d$$

(for the meaning of symbols see the text)

## Back to FLASH

- **Optimal Quantum Measurement:**

$$F = \frac{2}{3}$$

This does not allow for signaling – from a single shot measurement we are not able to discriminate between bases

$$\{|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle\} \text{ and } \{|\leftarrow\rangle, |\rightarrow\rangle\}$$

Herbert:

*“a serious objection to FLASH concerns the noise... of the copying process”*

N.Herbert, *Found. Phys.* **12**, 1171 (1982)

- Can we do better?
- Cloning quantum states?

– active quantum detectors?

$$|\psi\rangle|0\rangle^{\otimes(N-1)} \rightarrow |\psi\rangle^{\otimes N}$$

$$F = \frac{N+1}{N+2}$$

## No-cloning Theorem

- **Wigner 1961:**

“the probability is zero for existence of self-reproducing states”

- **Wootters & Zurek 1982:**

“unknown pure states cannot be cloned perfectly”

- **Condition for universal cloning**

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle|0\rangle|S\rangle &\xrightarrow{u} |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle |S'\rangle \\ |\tilde{\psi}\rangle|0\rangle|S\rangle &\xrightarrow{u} |\tilde{\psi}\rangle \otimes |\tilde{\psi}\rangle |S''\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- **Unitarity of the cloning operation:**

$$\langle \tilde{\psi} | \psi \rangle = (\langle \tilde{\psi} | \psi \rangle)^2 \langle S' | S'' \rangle$$

- $\langle \tilde{\psi} | \psi \rangle = 0$  OR  $|\langle \tilde{\psi} | \psi \rangle| = 1$

**Distinguishable states can be copied perfectly**

E.Wigner, in *The Logic of Personal Knowledge* (The Free Press, 1961), p.231.  
 W.K.Wootters and W.H.Zurek, *Nature* **299**, 802 (1982).  
 H.Yuen, *Phys. Lett. A* **113**, 405 (1986)

## Copying of unknown states?

- Mandel 1983:

$$H_I = g \sum_{s=1}^2 \left[ (\sigma_a^- \vec{\mu}_a + \sigma_b^- \vec{\mu}_b) \cdot \vec{\epsilon}_s^* a_s^\dagger + h.c. \right]$$

Orthogonal transition dipole moments:  $\vec{\mu}_x = |\mu| \vec{\epsilon}_x$

Polarization vectors:  $\vec{\epsilon}_x$

Initial state  $|1_{\vec{\epsilon}_1}, 0_{\vec{\epsilon}_2}\rangle$

$$\rho_{\vec{\epsilon}_1, \vec{\epsilon}_2} = \frac{2}{3} |2_{\vec{\epsilon}_1}, 0_{\vec{\epsilon}_2}\rangle \langle 2_{\vec{\epsilon}_1}, 0_{\vec{\epsilon}_2}| + \frac{1}{3} |1_{\vec{\epsilon}_1}, 1_{\vec{\epsilon}_2}\rangle \langle 1_{\vec{\epsilon}_1}, 1_{\vec{\epsilon}_2}|$$

L.Mandel, *Nature* **304**, 188 (1983)

- Stimulated vs spontaneous emission

Each “perfect clone” is accompanied by one randomly polarized photon

- Amplification & noise
- Optimal strategy

## Universal quantum cloners

- Input:  $|\psi\rangle$
- Outputs are identical  $\rho_a^{(out)} = \rho_b^{(out)}$
- $F(\rho_x^{(out)}; \rho_x^{(id)}) = \max \{ F^{(U)}(\rho_x^{(out)}; \rho_x^{(id)}); \forall U \}$

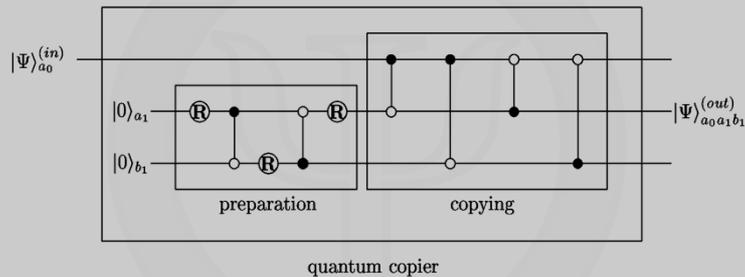
$$|\psi\rangle_a |\Xi\rangle_{bc} \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi, \psi\rangle_{ab} |\psi^\perp\rangle_c - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\{\psi^\perp, \psi\}\rangle_{ab} |\psi\rangle_c$$

$$|\{\psi^\perp, \psi\}\rangle_{ab} = (|\psi\rangle_a |\psi^\perp\rangle_b + |\psi^\perp\rangle_a |\psi\rangle_b) / \sqrt{2}$$

$$\rho_j^{(out)} = s\rho + \frac{1-s}{2} I; \quad s = \frac{2}{3}$$

## Quantum logical network for UQM

$$\rho_j^{(out)} = s\rho + \frac{1-s}{2}I; \quad s = \frac{2}{3}$$



$F = 5/6$  compare with measurement  $F = 4/6$

V.Bužek and M.Hillery, *Phys. Rev. A* **54**, 1844 (1996)  
 N.Gisin and S.Massar, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **79**, 2153 (1997)  
 R.F.Werner, *Phys.Rev. A* **58**, 1827 (1998)

## Bounds on cloning due to no-signaling

- Input qubit:

$$\rho_a = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{m}) = |+\vec{m}\rangle\langle +\vec{m}|$$

- Linearity implies no-signaling; output:  $\rho_{ab}(\vec{m})$

linear in  $\vec{m}$

- Universality (covariance) condition

$$\rho_{ab}(U\vec{m}) = U \otimes U \rho_{ab}(\vec{m}) U^\dagger \otimes U^\dagger$$

- $U: \forall$  single-qubit unitary operations

- Basis:

$$\{I \otimes I, I \otimes \sigma_i, \sigma_i \otimes I, \sigma_i \otimes \sigma_k\}$$

$$\rho_{ab}(\vec{m}) = \frac{1}{4} \left( I \otimes I + \eta_1 \vec{m} \vec{\sigma} \otimes I + \eta_2 I \otimes \vec{m} \vec{\sigma} + t \vec{\sigma} \otimes \vec{\sigma} + t_{xy} \vec{m} (\vec{\sigma} \wedge \vec{\sigma}) \right)$$

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1 → 2 cloning

- $\eta_1, \eta_2, t, t_{xy}$  are real parameters
- $\rho(\vec{m})$  – non-negative eigenvalues
 
$$1 + t \pm (\eta_1 + \eta_2) \geq 0$$

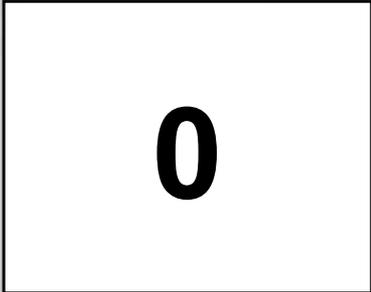
$$1 - t \pm \sqrt{4t^2 + 4t_{xy}^2 + (\eta_1 - \eta_2)^2} \geq 0$$
- Optimize the fidelity
 
$$F = \text{Tr}[\rho_{ab}(\vec{m}) P_{\vec{m}} \otimes I]$$
- $P_{\vec{m}} = |+\vec{m}\rangle\langle+\vec{m}|$ ,  
assuming  $\eta_1 = \eta_2 \equiv \eta$
- Optimal values
 
$$t_{xy} = 0, t = 1/3, \eta = 2/3 \rightarrow F = \frac{5}{6}$$
- Generalization to 1 toN cloning

**No-signaling and QM give the same fidelity!**

N.Gisin, *Phys.Lett. A* **143**, 1 (1990)

C.Simon, V.Bužek, and N.Gisin, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **87**, 170405 (2001)

## Flipping a bit – NOT gate



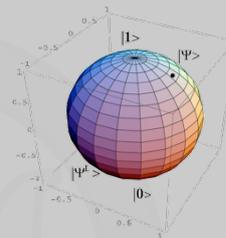
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## Flipping a Bit – NOT gate

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## Universal NOT gate: Problem

$|\psi^\perp\rangle$  is antipode of  $|\psi\rangle$



- Spin flipping is an inversion of the Poincaré sphere
- This inversion preserves angles
- The Wigner theorem - spin flip is either unitary or anti-unitary operation
- Unitary operations are equal to proper rotations of the Poincaré sphere
- Anti-unitary operations are orthogonal transformations with  $\det=-1$
- Spin flip operation is anti-unitary and is not CP
- In the unitary world the ideal universal NOT gate which would flip a qubit in an arbitrary (unknown) state does not exist

## Measurement-based vs quantum scenario

**Measurement-based scenario:** optimally measure and estimate the state then on a level of classical information perform flip and prepare the flipped state of the estimate

**Quantum scenario:** try to find a unitary operation on the qubit and ancillas that at the output generates the best possible approximation of the spin-flipped state. The fidelity of the operation should be state independent (universality of the U-NOT)

## Measurement-based flipping of qubit

- Estimated density operator when just a single qubit is available

$$\hat{\rho}_{est} = \frac{1}{3}\hat{\rho} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{I}$$

- Flipping based on this estimation

$$\hat{\rho}_{meas}^{\perp} = \frac{1}{3}\hat{\rho}^{\perp} + \frac{1}{3}\hat{I}$$

R.Derka, V.Bužek, and A.K.Ekert, *Phys. Rev. Lett* 80, 1571 (1998)

## Theorem: Optimal universal NOT gate

Among all completely positive trace preserving maps

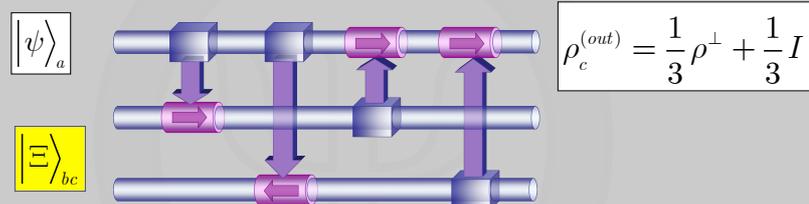
$$T : S(H_+^{\otimes N}) \rightarrow S(H)$$

The measurement-based U-NOT scenario attains the highest possible fidelity, namely

$$F = (N + 1)/(N + 2).$$

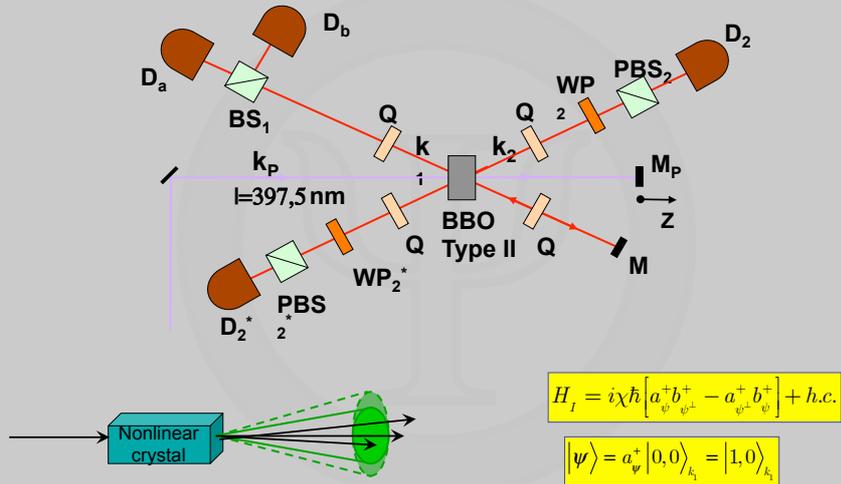
H.Bechmann-Pasquinucci and N.Gisin, *Phys. Rev. A* 59, 4238 (1999)  
 V.Bužek, M.Hillery, and R.F.Werner *Phys. Rev. A* 60, R2626 (1999)  
 N.Gisin and S.Popescu *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 83, 432 (1999)

## Approximate U-NOT gate



W.Wooters and W.H.Zurek, *Nature* 299, 802 (1982)  
 V.Bužek and M.Hillery, *Phys. Rev. A* 54, 1844 (1996)  
 S.L.Braunstein, V.Bužek, M.Hillery, and D.Bruss, *Phys. Rev. A* 56, 2153 (1997)

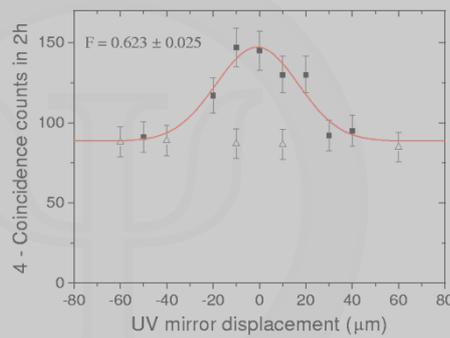
## U-NOT via optical parametric amplifier



A.Lamas-Linares, C.Simon, J.C.Howell, and D.Bouwmeester, *Science* 296, 712 (2002)  
 F.DeMartini, V.Bužek, F.Sciarino, and C.Sias, *Nature* 419, 815 (2002)

## Optimal universal-NOT gate

$$F = \frac{R}{R+1}$$



## There is something in this network

$$|\psi\rangle_1 = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k |x_k\rangle_1$$

$$\hat{x}|x_k\rangle = x_k|x_k\rangle$$

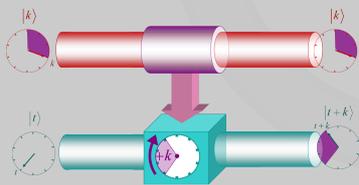
$$x_k = L\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{N}}k$$

$$\hat{p}|p_l\rangle = p_l|p_l\rangle$$

$$p_l = \frac{1}{L}\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{N}}l$$

$$|x_k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \exp\left[-i\frac{2\pi}{N}kl\right] |p_l\rangle$$

$$\langle x_k | p_l \rangle^2 = \frac{1}{N}$$

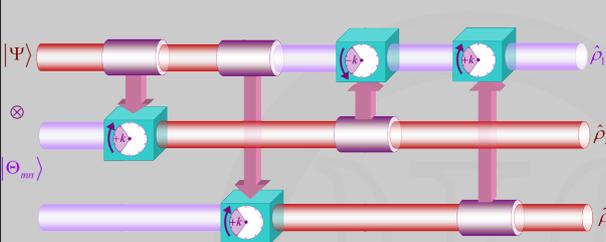


$$\hat{D}_{ab} : |k\rangle_a |l\rangle_b \rightarrow |k\rangle_a |(l+k) \bmod N\rangle_b$$

$$\hat{D}_{ab} = \exp[-i\hat{x}_a \hat{p}_b]$$

S.L.Braunstein, V.Bužek, and M.Hillery, *Phys. Rev. A* 63, 052313 (2001)

## Quantum information distributor



$$\rho_1^{(out)} = \left(\alpha^2 + \frac{2\alpha\beta}{N}\right)\rho + \frac{\beta^2}{N}I$$

$$\rho_2^{(out)} = \left(\beta^2 + \frac{2\alpha\beta}{N}\right)\rho + \frac{\alpha^2}{N}I$$

$$\rho_3^{(out)} = \frac{2\alpha\beta}{N}\rho^T + \frac{(N-2\alpha\beta)}{N^2}I$$

$$\hat{U} = \exp\left[-i(\hat{x}_3 - \hat{x}_2)\hat{p}_1\right] \exp\left[-i\hat{x}_1(\hat{p}_2 - \hat{p}_3)\right]$$

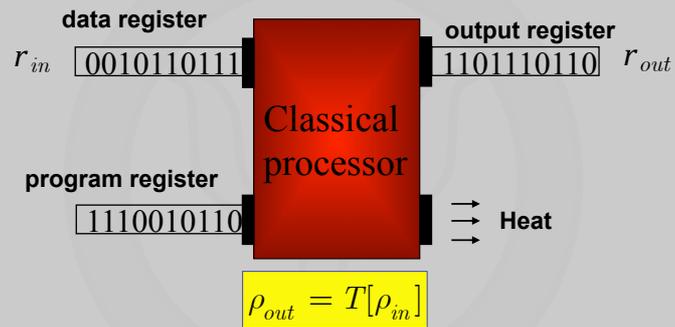
$$|\Theta(s)\rangle_{23} = \alpha \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_k |x_k\rangle_2 |x_k\rangle_3 + \beta |x_0\rangle_2 |p_0\rangle_3$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \frac{2\alpha\beta}{N} = 1$$

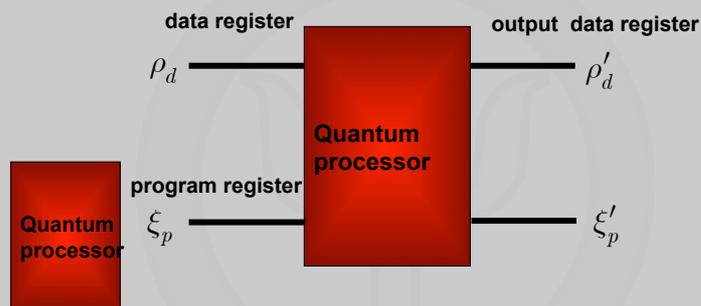
- Covariant device with respect to SU(2) operations
- POVM measurements
- eavesdropping

S.L.Braunstein, V.Bužek, and M.Hillery, *Phys. Rev. A* 63, 052313 (2001)

## Model of classical processor



## Quantum processor



Quantum processor – **fixed** unitary transformation  $U_{dp}$

$\mathcal{H}_d$  – data system,

$S(\mathcal{H}_d)$  – data states

$\mathcal{H}_p$  – program system,

$S(\mathcal{H}_p)$  – program states

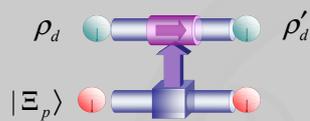
## Two scenarios

- **Measurement-based strategy - estimate the state of program**

$$F = \frac{N+1}{N+d}$$

- **Quantum strategy – use the quantum program register  
conditional (probabilistic) processors  
unconditional processors**

## C-NOT as unconditional q-processor



$$\text{CNOT } |\psi\rangle|0\rangle = |\psi\rangle|0\rangle$$

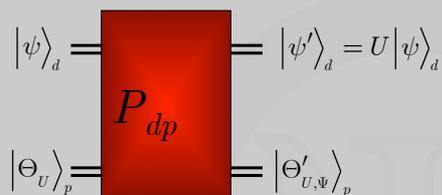
$$\text{CNOT } |\psi\rangle|1\rangle = \sigma_x |\psi\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$$

- program state  $|0\rangle \Rightarrow \mathbf{1}$  implemented, i.e.  $\rho_d \rightarrow \rho'_d = \rho_d$
- program state  $|1\rangle \Rightarrow \sigma_x$  implemented, i.e.  $\rho_d \rightarrow \rho'_d = \sigma_x \rho_d \sigma_x$
- general pure state  $|\Xi_p\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle_p + \beta|1\rangle_p \Rightarrow \rho_d \mapsto \rho'_d = |\alpha|^2 \rho_d + |\beta|^2 \sigma_x \rho_d \sigma_x$
- unital operation, since  $\Phi[\mathbf{1}] = |\alpha|^2 \mathbf{1} + |\beta|^2 \sigma_x \mathbf{1} \sigma_x = \mathbf{1}$
- program state is **2-d** and we can apply **2** unitary operations

## Question

Is it possible to build a *universal* programmable quantum gate array which take as input a quantum state specifying a quantum program and a data register to which the unitary operation is applied ?

## No-go theorem



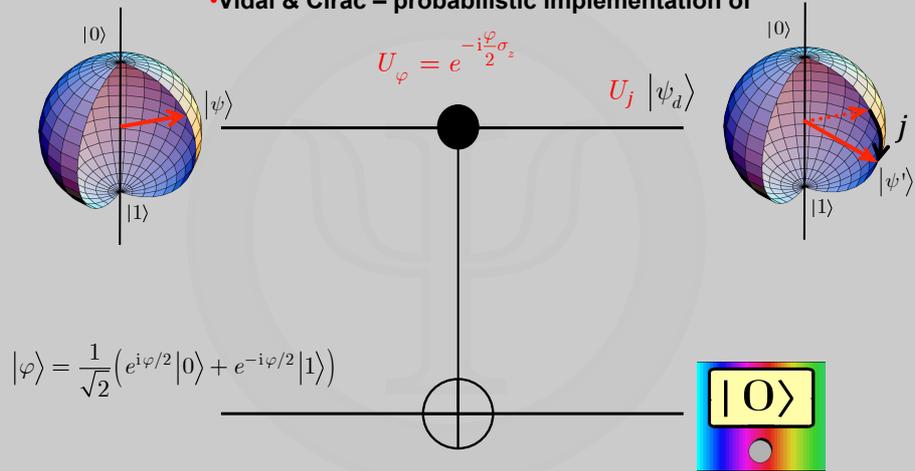
$$P_{dp} \left( |\psi\rangle_d \otimes |\Theta_U\rangle_p \right) = (U|\psi\rangle) \otimes |\Theta'_{U,\psi}\rangle$$

- no universal deterministic quantum array of **finite** extent can be realized
- on the other hand – a program register with **d** dimensions can be used to implement **d** unitary operations by performing an appropriate sequence of controlled unitary operations

M.A.Nielsen & I.L.Chuang, *Phys. Rev. Lett* 79, 321 (1997)

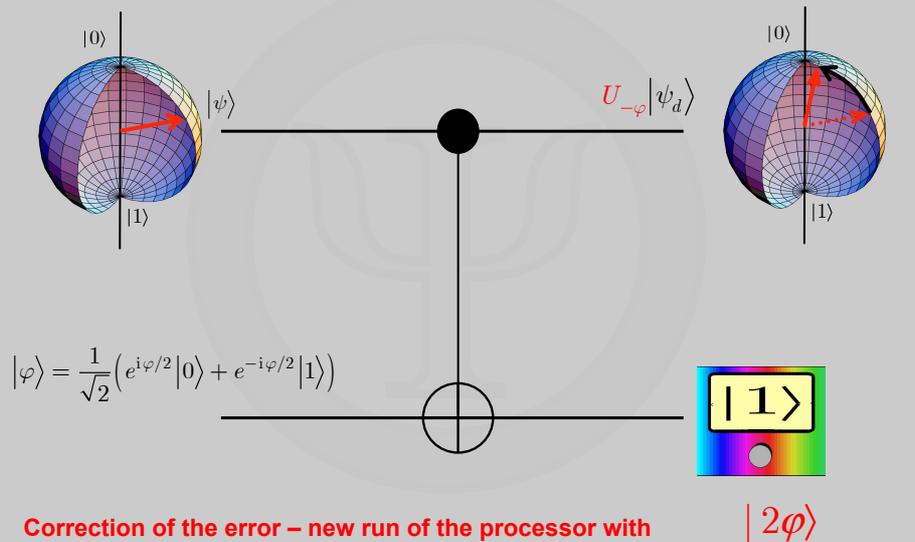
# C-NOT: probabilistic q-processor

•Vidal & Cirac – probabilistic implementation of



G.Vidal and J.I.Cirac, Los Alamos arXiv *quant-ph/0012067* (2000)  
 G.Vidal, L.Mesanes, and J.I.Cirac, Los Alamos arXiv *quant-ph/0102037* (2001).

# C-NOT: probabilistic q-processor



Correction of the error – new run of the processor with

## Description of q-processors

- definition of  $U_{dp}$  via “Kraus operators”  $A_{kl} := {}_p \langle l | U_{dp} | k \rangle_p$

$$U_{dp}(|\psi\rangle_d \otimes |k\rangle_p) = \sum_l (A_{kl} |\psi\rangle_d) \otimes |l\rangle_p$$

- normalization condition  $\sum_l A_{k_1 l}^\dagger A_{k_2 l} = \delta_{k_1 k_2} \mathbf{1}_d$
- induced quantum operation  $\rho_d \mapsto \rho'_d = \Phi_k[\rho_d] = \sum_l A_{kl} \rho_d A_{kl}^\dagger$
- general pure program state  $|\Xi\rangle_p = \sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle_p$

$$\rho_d \mapsto \rho'_d = \Phi_\Xi[\rho_d] = \sum_l A_l(\Xi) \rho_d A_l^\dagger(\Xi)$$

$$A_l(\Xi) = {}_p \langle l | U_{dp} | \Xi \rangle_p = \sum_k \alpha_k A_{kl}$$

- can be generalized for mixed program states

## Universal probabilistic processor

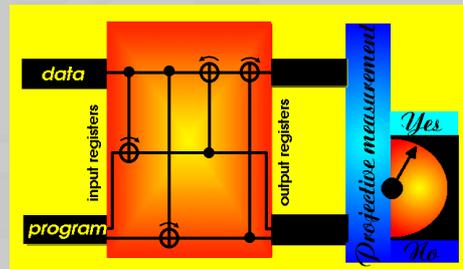
- Quantum processor  $U_{dp}$
- Data register  $r_d$ ,  $\dim H_d = D$
- Quantum programs  $U_k =$  program register  $r_p$ ,  $\dim H_p = N = D^2$
- Nielsen & Chuang:
  - $N$  programs  $\vdash N$  orthogonal states
  - Universal quantum processors do not  $\exists$

- Bužek-Hillery-Ziman:
  - Probabilistic implementation
  - $\{U_k\}$  operator basis,  $U = \sum_k \alpha_k U_k$ ,  $\alpha_k = \frac{1}{D} \text{Tr} U_k^\dagger U$
  - program state  $|\psi_U\rangle = \sum_k \alpha_k |\psi_k\rangle$

**Example:**  
Data register = qudit, program register = 2 qudits

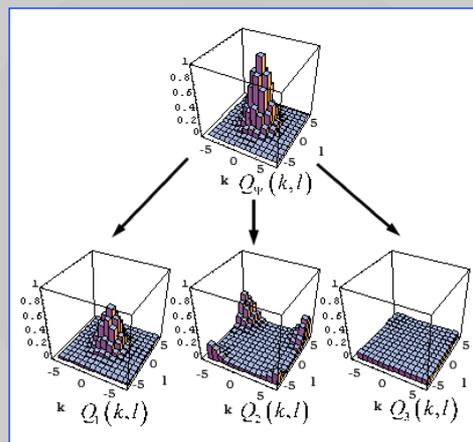
$$U_k \equiv U^{(nm)} = \sum_{s=0}^{D-1} \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i s m}{N}\right) |s-n\rangle \langle s|$$

$$|\psi_k\rangle \equiv |\Xi_{nm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} \sum_{s=0}^{D-1} \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i s m}{N}\right) |s\rangle |s-n\rangle$$





## POVM Measurement



V.Bužek, M.Roško, and M.Hillery, *unpublished*