

Note: In a quantum circuit, Paulis are represented as:

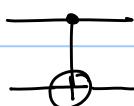
$\sigma_x$ : "X-gate" —

$\sigma_z$ : "Z-gate" —

### \* Measurement in the quantum circuit model:-

(i) Delayed Measurement:- Measurements can always be moved to the end of a circuit by use of controlled operations.

Using CNOT:



(or)



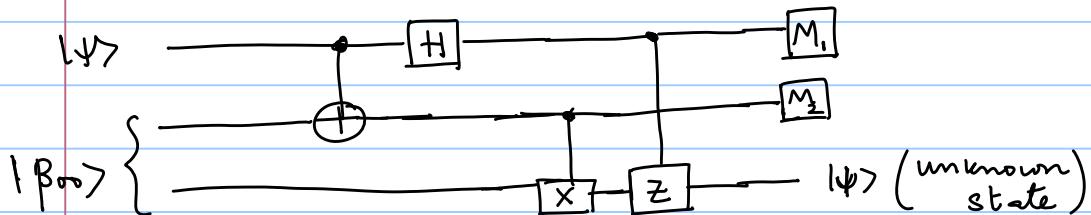
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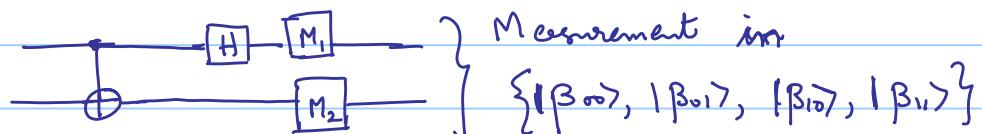
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### Eg. Teleportation:-



### (ii) Measuring in the Bell basis:-



## \* Universal Quantum Gates

Defn: A set of gates  $G = \{G_1, G_2, \dots, G_N\}$  is universal for quantum computation if any unitary operation can be approximated to arbitrary accuracy by a quantum circuit using only those gates.

One set of universal gates:  $\{H, S, CNOT, G_{178}\}$ .

## \* Two-step proof:-

- (1) Arbitrary  $U$  can be exactly realized as a product of single-qubit unitaries and CNOT
- (2) Any single-qubit unitary can be approximated to arbitrary accuracy using  $H, S, G_{178}$ .

## (1) Exact Universality :-

Step (1a): Arbitrary  $d \times d$  unitary  $\rightarrow$  2-level unitary  
acts non-trivially on  
some 2-dim subspace  
of  $d$ -dim space

Eg. Consider the 3-qubit gate :-

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & c \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Acts non-trivially  
only on span of  
 $\{1000, 1111\}$

We show that:- say  $U$  is a  $d \times d$  unitary,

$\exists$  2-level unitaries  $U_1, U_2, U_3 \dots$  etc

such that  $U_k U_{k-1} U_{k-2} \dots U_3 U_2 U_1 U = I$

$$\therefore U = U_1^+ U_2^+ U_3^+ \dots U_k^+$$

Example:  $U = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \quad (3 \times 3)$

(i) If  $d=0$ , let  $U_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

otherwise,  $U_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a^*}{\sqrt{|a|^2 + |d|^2}} & \frac{d^*}{\sqrt{|a|^2 + |d|^2}} & 0 \\ \frac{d}{\sqrt{|a|^2 + |d|^2}} & \frac{-a}{\sqrt{|a|^2 + |d|^2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$U_1 U = \begin{pmatrix} a' & b' & c' \\ 0 & e' & f' \\ g' & h & i \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) If  $g=0$ ,  $U_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a'^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , otherwise,

$$U_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a'^*}{\sqrt{|a'|^2 + |g'|^2}} & 0 & \frac{g'^*}{\sqrt{|a'|^2 + |g'|^2}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{g}{\sqrt{|a'|^2 + |g'|^2}} & 0 & -\frac{a}{\sqrt{|a'|^2 + |g'|^2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore U_2 U_1 V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b'' & c'' \\ 0 & e'' & f'' \\ 0 & h'' & j'' \end{pmatrix} = V$$

Since  $V$  is unitary,  $b'' = c'' = 0$

$$\therefore U_2 U_1 V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e'' & f'' \\ 0 & h'' & j'' \end{pmatrix} = V_3^+$$

$$\therefore U = U_1^+ U_2^+ U_3^+ //$$

\* Generally, for a  $d \times d$  unitary  $U_d$ ,

using  $(d-1)$  two-level matrices  $\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \square \\ 0 & U_{d-1} \end{pmatrix}$

$U_{d-1} \rightarrow (d-2)$  two-level matrices  $\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \square \\ 0 & U_{d-2} \end{pmatrix}$

etc.

$$\therefore U_d = V_1 V_2 \dots V_k \text{ (two-level unitaries)}$$

with  $k \leq (d-1) + (d-2) + \dots + 1$

$$= \frac{d(d-1)}{2}.$$

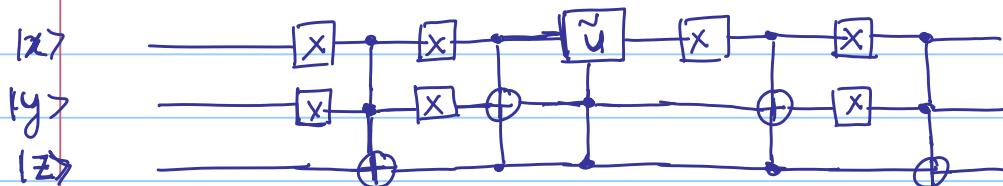
Step (1b):- Any two-level unitary can be realized  
exactly using single-qubit unitaries and CNOT.

Exact universality:  $\mathcal{G} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{single-qubit, CNOT} \\ \text{unitary} \\ \text{SU}(2) \end{array} \right\}$

Example:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a & & & & & & & b \\ & \ddots & & & & & & \\ & & \ddots & & & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & & & \\ & & & & \ddots & & & \\ c & & & & & \ddots & & d \end{pmatrix} \quad 8 \times 8$$

$$\tilde{U} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ acting on } \{|000\rangle, |111\rangle\}$$



$$000 \rightarrow 001 \rightarrow 011$$

\* Step (2):- Approximate Universality:

- Quantifying error:

When  $V$  is implemented instead of  $U$ :  $e(U, V)$

$$e(U, V) = \max_{|\psi\rangle} \| (U - V) |\psi\rangle \|,$$

- Recall,  $\| |\psi\rangle \| = \sqrt{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle}$ .

- If  $e(U, V)$  is small, any measurement on  $|V|\psi\rangle$  gives approximately the same statistics as a measurement on  $|U|\psi\rangle$ .

Let  $M_i$  be an arbitrary element of a POVM.

$p_U(i) \equiv \text{prob. of outcome 'i' for the state } U|\psi\rangle$

$p_V(i) \equiv \text{" for state } V|\psi\rangle$ .

Then,  $|p_U(i) - p_V(i)| \leq 2e(U, V)$ .

$$\text{Prop: } |\rho_u(i) - \rho_v(i)| = |\langle \psi | U^+ M_i U | \psi \rangle - \langle \psi | V^+ M_i V | \psi \rangle|$$

Let  $|\xi\rangle = (U - V)|\psi\rangle$ .

$$\text{Then, } |\rho_u(i) - \rho_v(i)| = |\langle \psi | U^+ M_i |\xi\rangle + \langle \xi | M_i V | \psi \rangle|$$

$$(\text{triangle inequality}) \leq |\langle \psi | U^+ M_i |\xi\rangle| + |\langle \xi | M_i V | \psi \rangle|$$

$$(\text{Cauchy-Schwarz}) \leq \|U|\psi\rangle\| \||\xi\rangle\| + \||\xi\rangle\| \|V|\psi\rangle\|$$

$$= 2 \|(U - V)|\psi\rangle\| = 2 \|e(U, V)\|.$$

- Further, the errors add up linearly for a sequence of unitaries.