

Hauptseminar Quantum Information

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0. Elements of network quantum computing

(A) what is information?

example: throwing a die

- if a die player tells you that he has thrown a "5" this is only an information for you if you didn't watch him throwing the die
- if he says he has thrown a number between 1 and 6 this is also no information

information is a notion of a priori ignorance

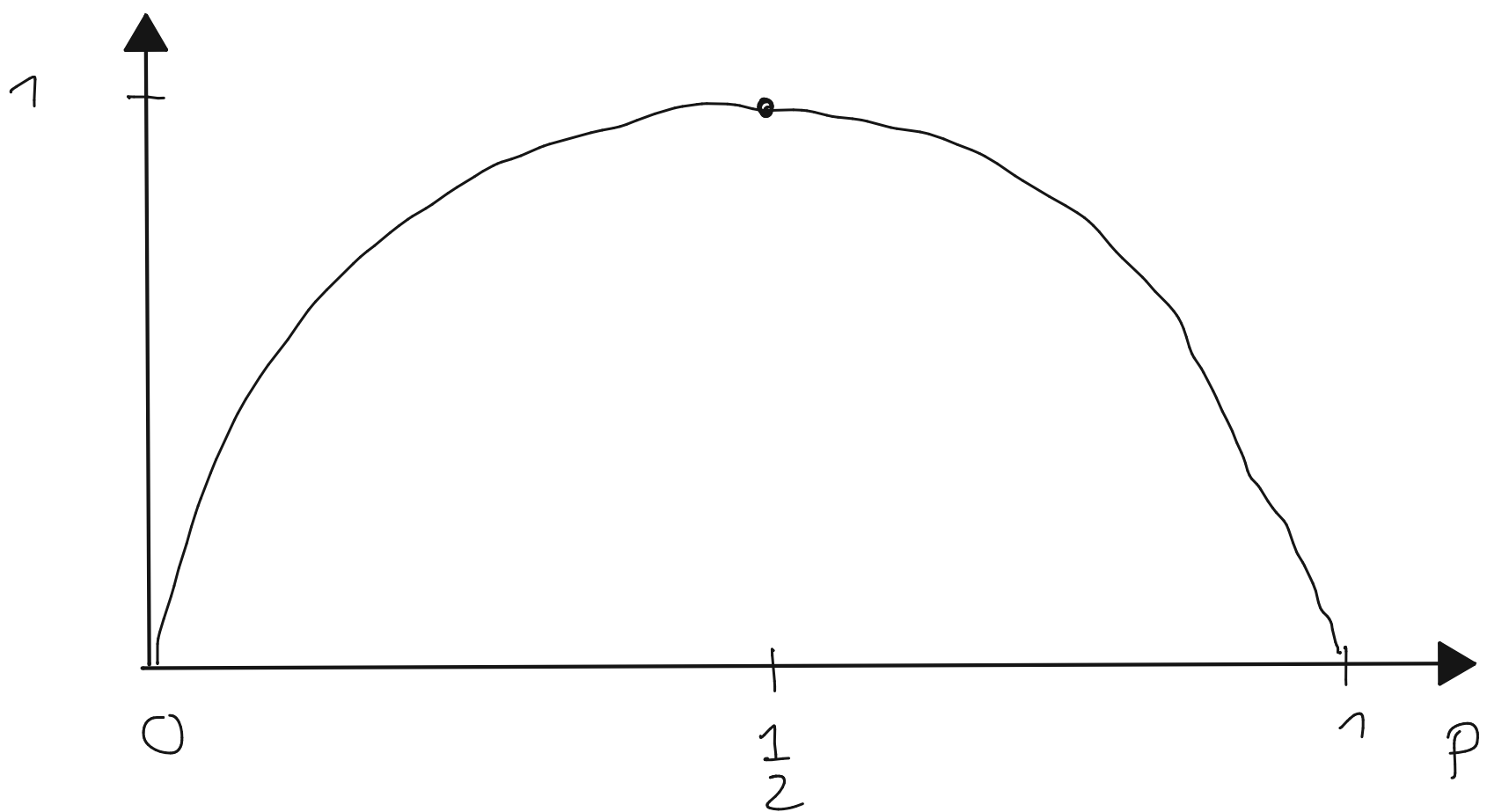
- elementary unit of information: binary alternative: "yes" or "no"

bit: 0 1

a-priori probability $p : 0$ $1-p : 1$

measure of information : Shannon entropy

$$(1) \quad H(p) = -p \log_2 p - (1-p) \log_2 (1-p)$$



multiple events

$$(2) \quad S_{Sh}(p_1, \dots, p_N) = - \sum_{j=1}^N p_j \log_2 p_j$$

(B) Computation

general model of computation : Turing machine

circuit model

logic gate

$$(3) \quad \boxed{f: \{0,1\}^k \longrightarrow \{0,1\}^l}$$

k : # of input bits

l : # of output bits

- circuit is acyclic
- general circuit can be composed of elementary gates

NOT $a \rightarrow \bar{a}$

AND $a, b \rightarrow a \wedge b$

OR $a, b \rightarrow a \vee b$

XOR $a, b \rightarrow a \oplus b$

FANOUT $a \rightarrow a, a$

CROSSOVER $a, b \rightarrow b, a$

- combination of these gates allows to compute any function
- problem AND, OR, XOR not reversible

eq. (3) is general not reversible !

reversible computing $\hat{=}$ invertible function

$$(4) \quad f: \{0,1\}^n \longrightarrow \{0,1\}^n$$

- any function (3) can be turned into a symmetric one by addition of ancillas

$$(5) \quad \begin{cases} f(x): \{0,1\}^k \longrightarrow \{0,1\}^l \\ \tilde{f}(x): \{0,1\}^{k+l} \longrightarrow \{0,1\}^{l+k} \end{cases}$$

where

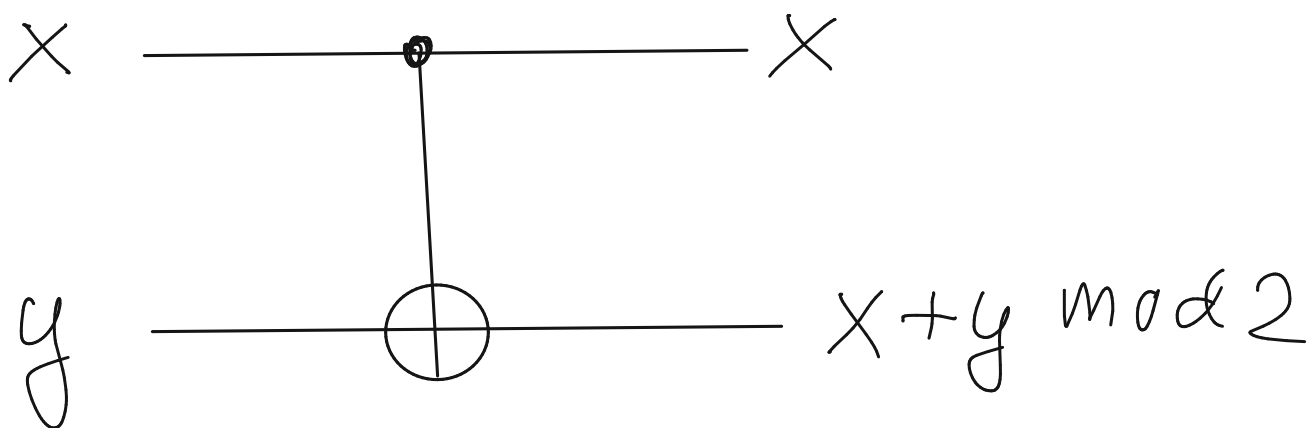
$$(6) \quad \tilde{f}(x) = \tilde{f}(\underbrace{x, 0, 0, 0 \dots 0}_{k \text{ bits}}) = (x, f(x))$$

control - not

$$(7) \quad \text{CNOT} \quad (x, y) \longrightarrow (x, x \oplus y \text{ mod } 2)$$

control bit

target bit



matrix representation (addition modulo 2)

$$(8) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = M \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

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

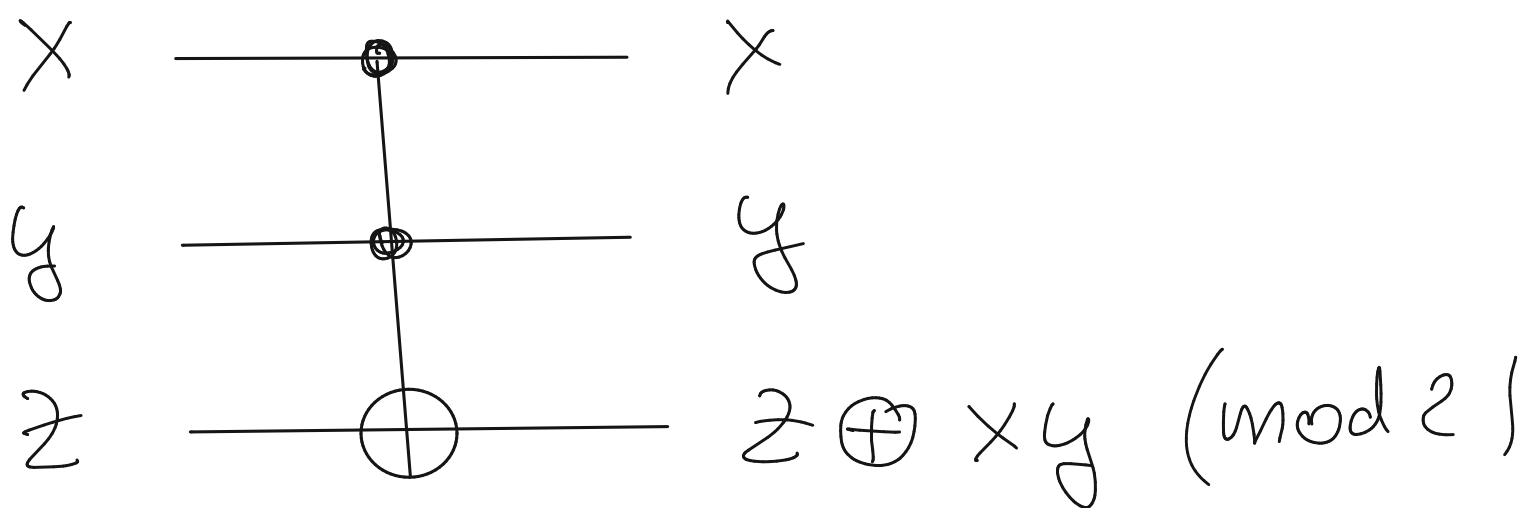
reversible 1-bit and 2-bit gates are not universal since they are all linear

$\Rightarrow$ nonlinear function cannot be calculated 😞

- for $n \geq 3$ reversible gates exist that correspond to a nonlinear mapping

Toffoli gate

controlled-controlled NOT



(C) quantum network computer

input : string of classical bits

0 1 0 0 1 1 0

bits

↓
factorized initial state

$|0\rangle|1\rangle|0\rangle|0\rangle|1\rangle|1\rangle|0\rangle$

qubits

gates

general unitary
transformations

↓
von Neumann projection on
a set of qubits to computational
basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

output

↓
string of classical bits with
probabilities p_j

probabilistic
in nature

0

1

0

1

1

p_1

$(1-p_2)$

p_3

$(1-p_4)$

$(1-p_5)$

...

qubits

quantum system with Hilbert space
of dimension $d=2$

- spin $1/2$
- two-level atom
- photon with two polarizations

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

e.g. eigenstates of $\hat{\sigma}_z$

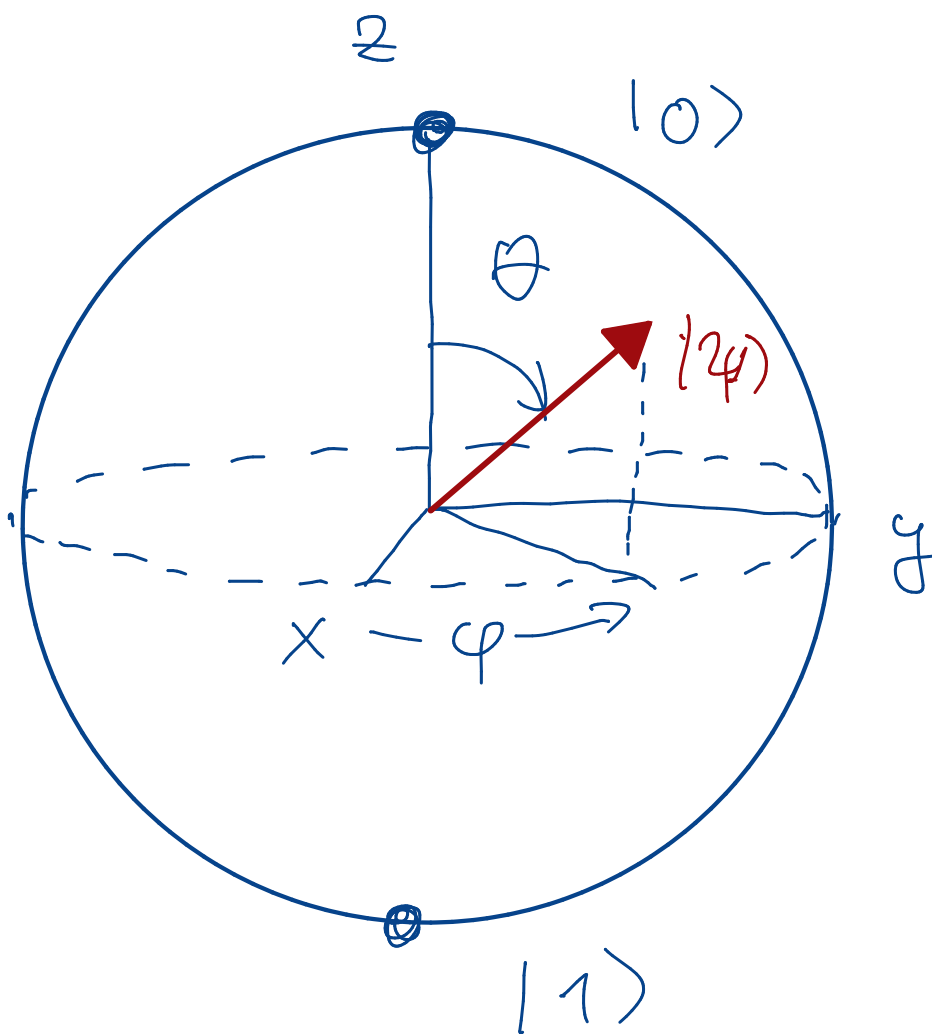
general state

$$(9) \quad |\psi\rangle = \cancel{e^{i\phi}} \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + e^{i\phi} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} |1\rangle \right)$$

$\uparrow$
irrelevant

(θ, ϕ) characterize state

Bloch sphere



peculiarities with qubits vs. bits

- arbitrary superpositions allowed !

does this mean we should associate to a qubit an infinite amount of information (continuous angles on the Bloch sphere) ? **No !**

An unknown quantum state of a qubit cannot be completely determined by a measurement

complete measurement

$$(10) \quad \hat{\Pi}_0 = |0\rangle\langle 0| \quad \hat{\Pi}_1 = |1\rangle\langle 1| \quad \hat{\Pi}_0 + \hat{\Pi}_1 = \mathbb{1}$$

$$(11) \quad \mathcal{S} = |\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi| \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \lambda=0 \\ \searrow \lambda=1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \frac{\hat{\Pi}_0 \mathcal{S} \hat{\Pi}_0}{\text{Tr}\{\hat{\Pi}_0 \mathcal{S} \hat{\Pi}_0\}} \\ \frac{\hat{\Pi}_1 \mathcal{S} \hat{\Pi}_1}{\text{Tr}\{\hat{\Pi}_1 \mathcal{S} \hat{\Pi}_1\}} \end{array}$$

only binary information

perhaps we can generate copies of $|\varphi\rangle$ and then measure ? **No !**

An unknown quantum state (of a qubit) can in general not be duplicated
(no cloning theorem)

general qubit state ρ ; since $\rho = \rho^\dagger$ it can be diagonalized; eigenvalues are probabilities (in case of degeneracy $\Rightarrow$ choose orthogonal basis) eigenstates $|x_j\rangle$ are orthogonal

$$(12) \quad \rho = \sum_{j=0}^n p_j |x_j\rangle \langle x_j| \quad p_0 + p_1 = 1$$

Information of ρ in $p_j \Rightarrow$ Shannon $\hat{=}$ von Neumann

$$(13) \quad S_{Sh} = -\sum_j p_j \log p_j = -\text{Tr} \{ \rho \log \rho \} = S_N$$

- unitary transformations can generate entanglement and entangled states can have "stronger" correlations than classically possible (see talk on Bell inequalities)

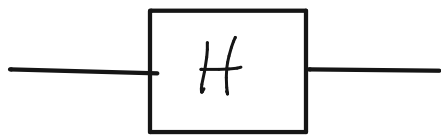
theorem of Deutsch (1985)

any d -dimensional unitary matrix can be decomposed into $d(d-1)/2$ unitary 2×2 matrices

Since the 2×2 matrices can also act in the 2dim-space spanned by states of different qubits one- and two-qubit gates are needed in practice

important 1-qubit gates

(14) Hadamard



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

$$\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\} \xrightarrow{H} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \right\}$$

(15) $\pi/8$



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

Combination of Hadamard and $\pi/8$ gate allows to approximate any unitary operation on a single qubit with arbitrary precision

other single qubit gates

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

Pauli X

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

Pauli Y

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

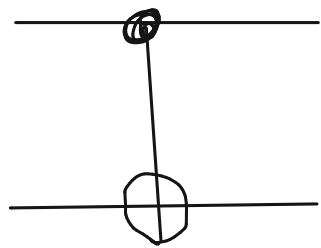
Pauli Z

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

Phase

important 2-qubit gates

CNOT



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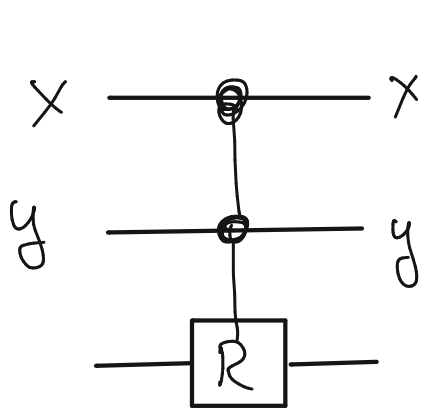
$$\begin{matrix} |00\rangle & |01\rangle & |10\rangle & |11\rangle \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boxed{\begin{matrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{matrix}} & \boxed{\begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix}} \\ \boxed{\begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix}} & \boxed{\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{matrix}} \end{pmatrix}$$

arbitrary single qubit gates plus a CNOT gate are universal!

But a classical two-bit gate was not sufficient, how come?

universal 3-qubit gate (David Deutsch 1985)

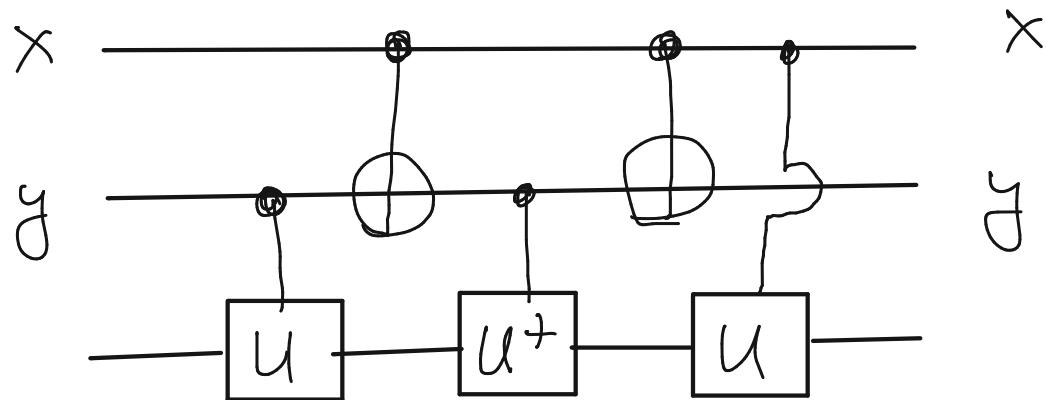
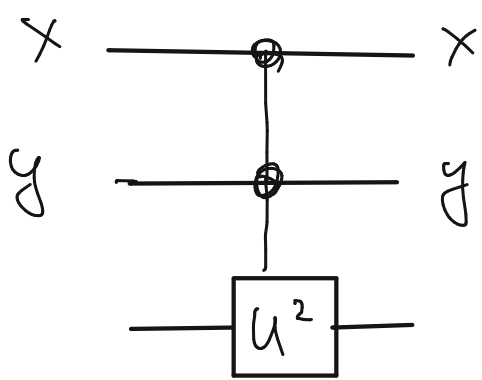


$$R = -i \exp \left\{ i \frac{\theta}{2} \sigma_x \right\}$$

iff 1st and 2nd qubit in $|1\rangle$
(a'la Toffoli)

this can be decomposed into 2 qubit gates

$$R = U^2$$



action on 3rd qubit

$$U^y U^{+(x \oplus y)} U^x = U^{y - x \oplus y + x}$$

$$= U^{y - (x + y - 2xy) + x} = U^{2xy} = R^{xy} \quad \checkmark$$

(D) realizing unitaries

$$U = e^{iA} \quad A = A^\dagger$$

• single qubit U : 2×2 matrix

$$A \in \{ \mathbb{I}, \sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z \}$$

(17)

$$\exp(-i\theta\sigma_x/2) = \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \mathbb{I} - i\sin\frac{\theta}{2} \sigma_x$$

$$\exp(-i\theta\sigma_y/2) = \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \mathbb{I} - i\sin\frac{\theta}{2} \sigma_y$$

$$\exp(-i\theta\sigma_z/2) = \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \mathbb{I} - i\sin\frac{\theta}{2} \sigma_z$$

$\Rightarrow$ unitary time evolution with π pulse

$$(18) \quad H = \hbar \frac{\Omega(t)}{2} \sigma_\mu \quad U = \exp\left(-i \int_0^T dt \frac{\Omega(t)}{2} \sigma_\mu\right)$$

requirement

$$(19) \quad \int_0^T dt \Omega(t) \stackrel{!}{=} \pi \quad \Rightarrow \quad U = -i \sigma_\mu$$

more robust alternatives

- adiabatic qubit gates
- geometric qubit gates

• controlled NOT

$$U = \exp \left\{ -i \underbrace{\int_0^T dt}_{= \theta/2} g \left(|0\rangle_1 \langle 0| \cdot \mathbb{I}_2 + |1\rangle_1 \langle 1| \sigma_2^x \right) \right\}$$

$$= \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right) |0\rangle_1 \langle 0| \mathbb{I}_2$$

(20)

$$+ \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} - i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right) |1\rangle_1 \langle 1| \sigma_2^x$$

$$\underset{\theta = \pi}{=} -i \left(|0\rangle_1 \langle 0| \mathbb{I}_2 + |1\rangle_1 \langle 1| \sigma_2^x \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$ requires strong interaction between spin 1 and 2