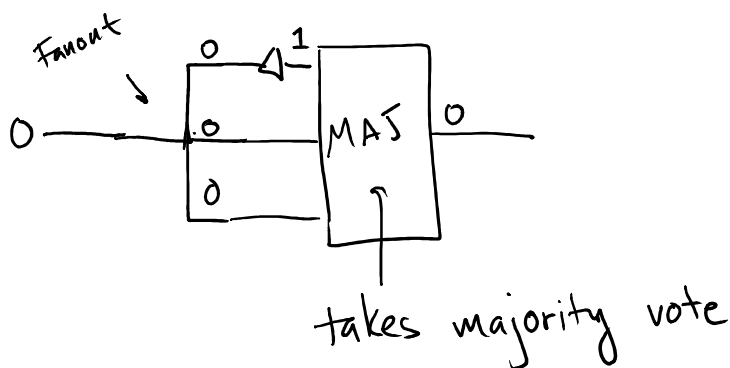


Errors

- Classical computers:
 - Cosmic Rays are largest source
 - 1 bit flip per 4GB per day
 - $0 \rightarrow 1$ or $1 \rightarrow 0$

Usually just don't worry about it... (although this can backfire)

Solution: Repetition Code



• Quantum

- laser shines on 2 qubits instead of 1
- Other atom bounces into your atom
- Heat (anomalous heating)
- Magnetic fields
- Electric fields
- laser shape not perfect
- system is actually qudit, not qubit

Many
error
Sources

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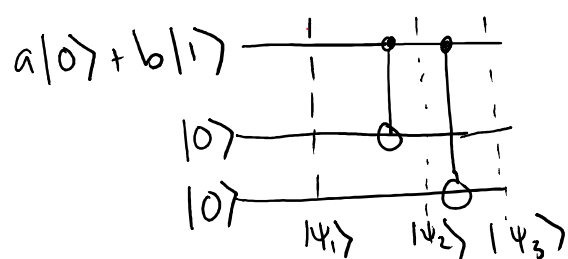
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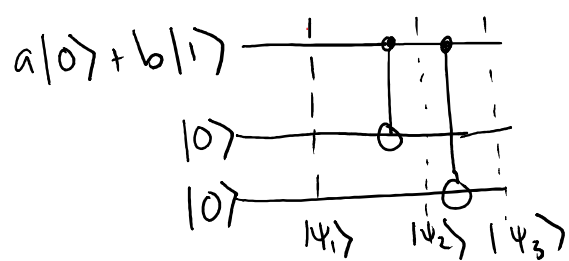
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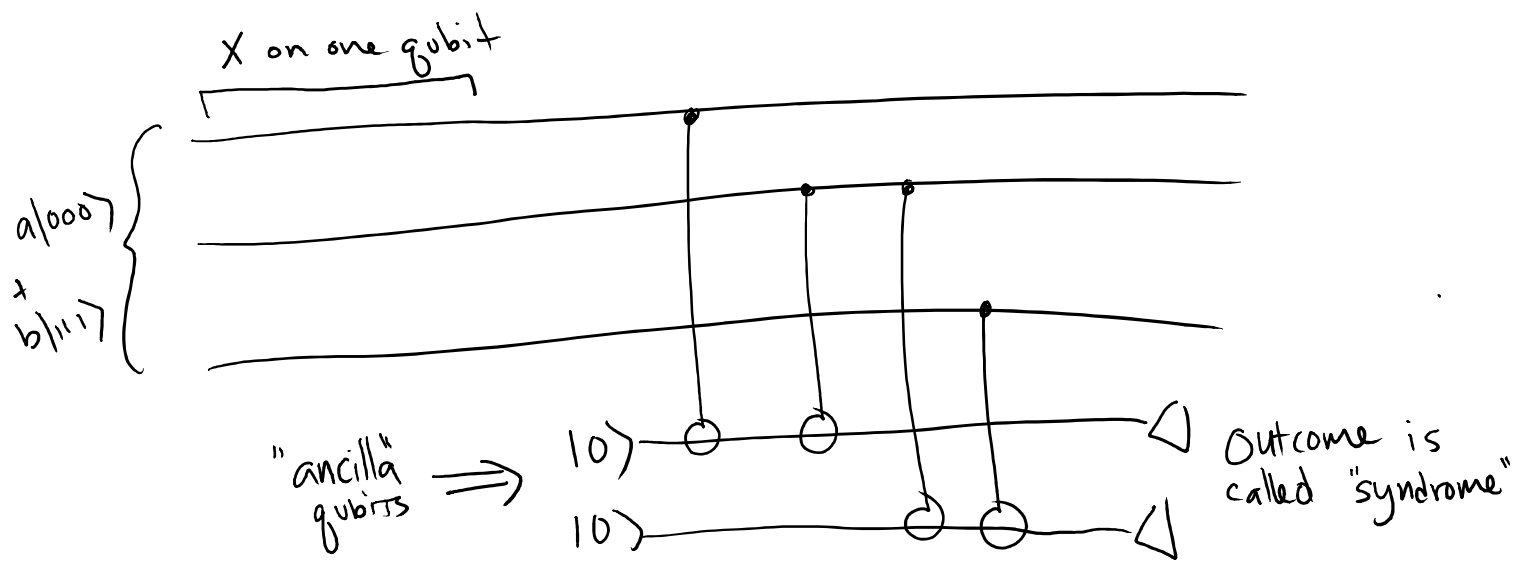
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1. What measurement outcomes do you get with which probability?
2. What does the rest of the state collapse to?
3. How do you fix error based on outcome
4. What happens if Z error on a qubit?

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|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 1. | 2. | 3. |
| • If \boxed{X} on 1 st , | Outcome 10> | $\rightarrow a 100> + b 111>$ | $\rightarrow X$ on 1 |
| • If \boxed{X} on 2 nd , | outcome 11> | $\rightarrow a 010> + b 101>$ | $\rightarrow X$ on 2 |
| • If \boxed{X} on 3 rd | outcome 01> | $\rightarrow a 001> + b 1001>$ | $\rightarrow X$ on 3 |
| • If no X, | outcome 00> | $\rightarrow a 000> + b 111>$ | \rightarrow nothing |

4. Get outcome |00> \Rightarrow no detection

Don't need to know a, b

New mathematical description of partial measurement
 (Mathematically equivalent to appending ancillas, interacting, measure ancillas)

Old: $M = \{|\phi_i\rangle\}$ Outcome i with prob $|\langle\psi|\phi_i\rangle|^2$
 $|\psi\rangle \rightarrow |\phi_i\rangle$
 \uparrow
 orthonormal basis

New: $M = \{P_i\}$

\downarrow orthonormal states
 $P_i = \sum_{k \in S_i} |\phi_k\rangle\langle\phi_k|$ (P_i are "projectors")

$\sum P_i = \mathbb{I}$ ($|\phi_k\rangle\langle\phi_k|$ appears in exactly 1 projector)

$$P_i P_j = \begin{cases} 0 & i \neq j \\ P_i & i = j \end{cases}$$

Outcome $i \rightarrow \text{Pr}(i) = \langle\psi|P_i|\psi\rangle$

$$|\psi\rangle \rightarrow \frac{P_i|\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{\langle\psi|P_i|\psi\rangle}}$$

Measurement for Error Correction of X:

$$M = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |1000\rangle\langle 000| + |1111\rangle\langle 111| \\ |1001\rangle\langle 001| + |1110\rangle\langle 110| \end{array} \right\}, \quad |100\rangle\langle 100| + |011\rangle\langle 011|, \quad |010\rangle\langle 010| + |101\rangle\langle 101|$$

$\nearrow P_0$ $\nwarrow P_3$ $\uparrow P_1$ $\uparrow P_2$

- $P_0 \leftrightarrow$ Outcome $|00\rangle$ on ancilla
- $P_1 \leftrightarrow$ " $|10\rangle$
- $P_2 \leftrightarrow$ " $|11\rangle$
- $P_3 \leftrightarrow$ " $|01\rangle$

- Only 4 outcomes
 - 8-Dim space
- } does not fully collapse

Q: If measure $a|000\rangle + b|011\rangle + c|100\rangle$ with M , which outcomes are possible?

A) P_0, P_1

B) P_1, P_2

C) P_0, P_2

D) P_1, P_3

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D) $c|100\rangle$

Q: If measure $a|000\rangle + b|011\rangle + c|100\rangle$ with M , which outcomes are possible?

- A) $P_0, P_1 \iff$ all others $P_i (a|000\rangle + b|011\rangle + c|100\rangle) = 0$
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