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An introduction to quantum circuits.

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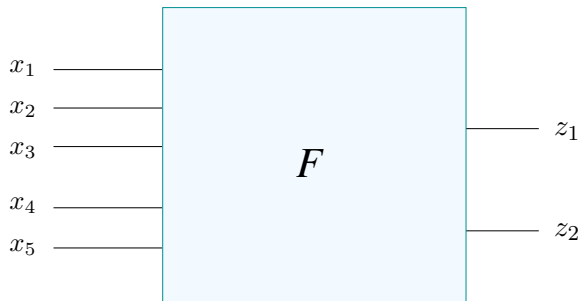
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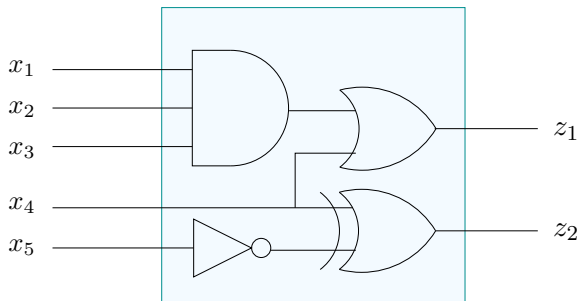
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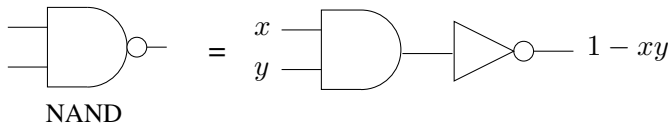
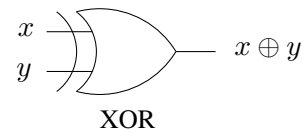
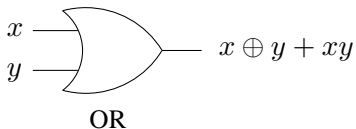
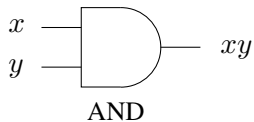
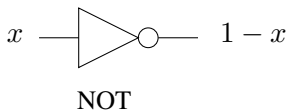
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Classical logic circuits are made of wires and gates.

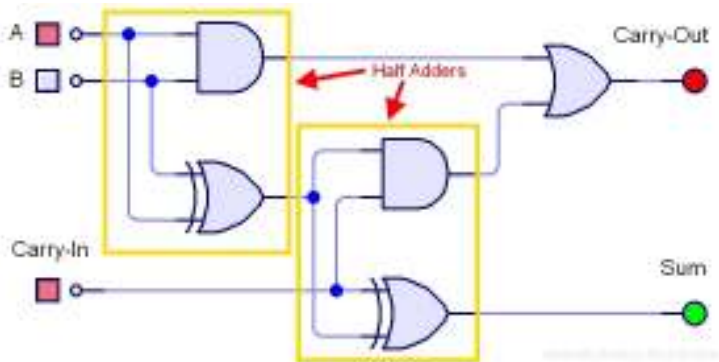
Some classical gates.



$$x \oplus y = x + y \pmod{2}.$$

Some classical circuits.

The full adder: adds two bits with carries.



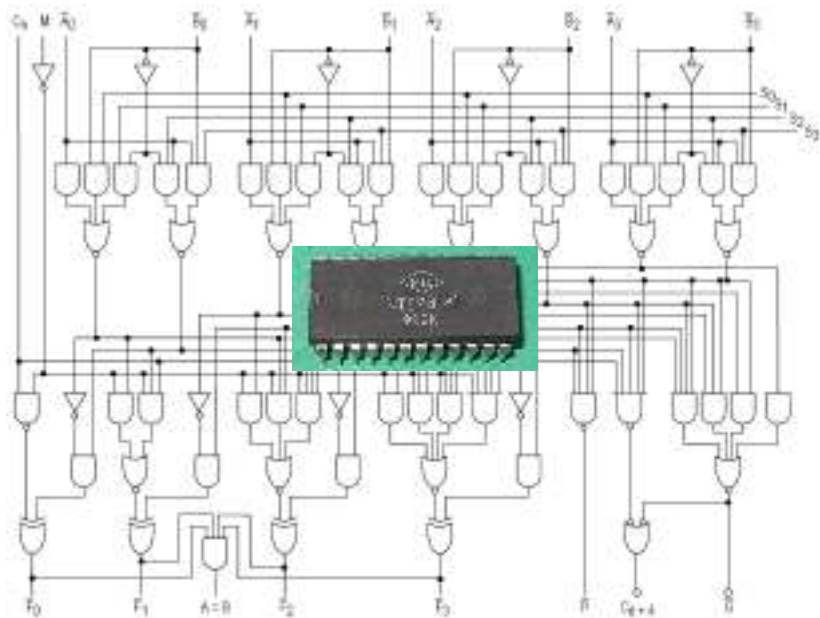
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1968: SN74LS181, first Arithmetic Logic Unit in a single chip.



Able to perform 32 different operations with four-bit numbers.

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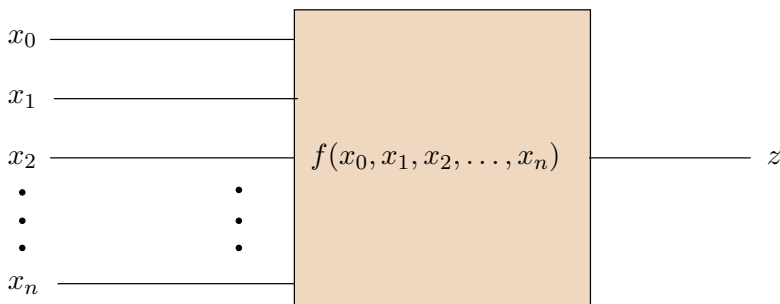


Universal classical gates.

Which logic gates do we need to build any classical circuit?

Consider a general boolean function in $n + 1$ variables

$$f : \{0, 1\}^{n+1} \longrightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

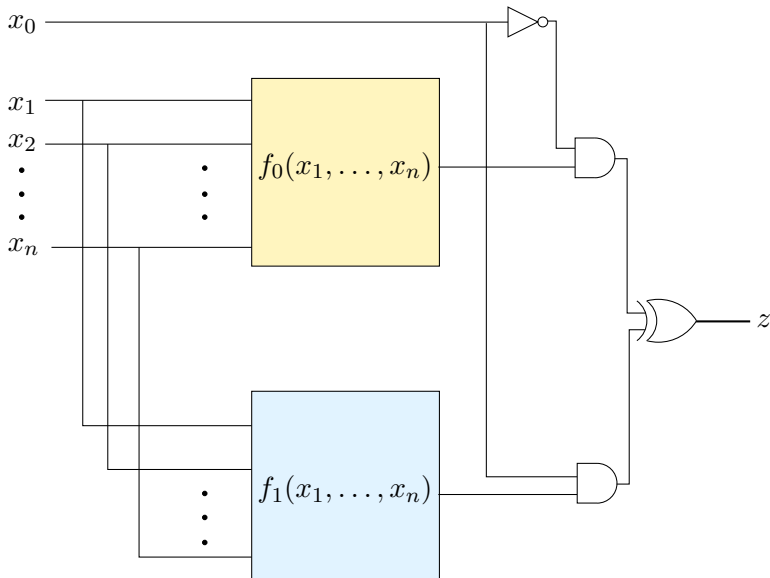


We call: $f_0(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f(0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

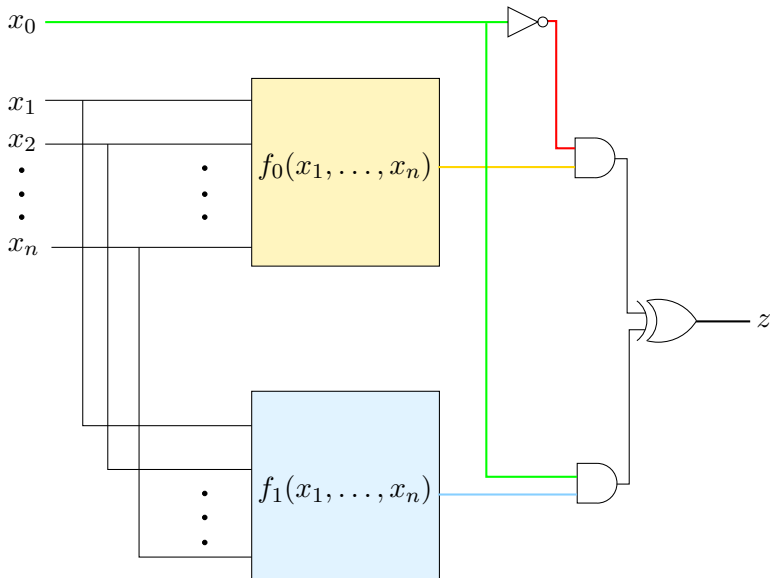
$f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = f(1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$.

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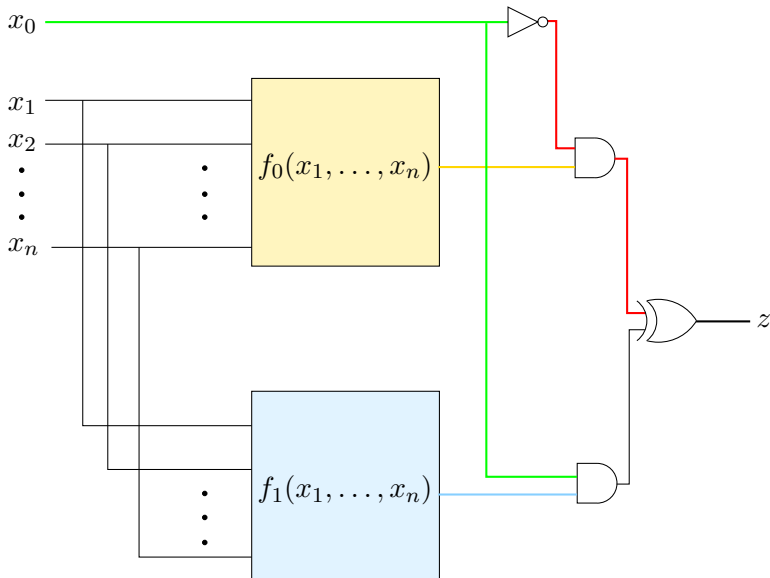
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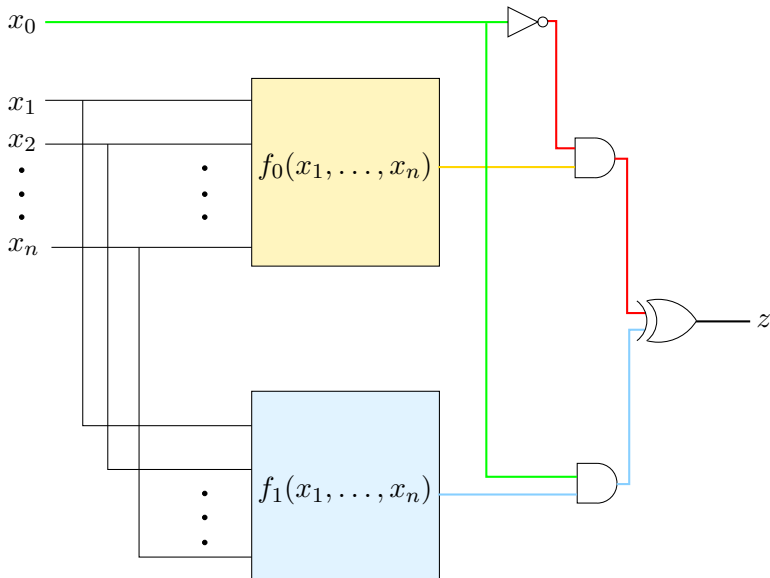
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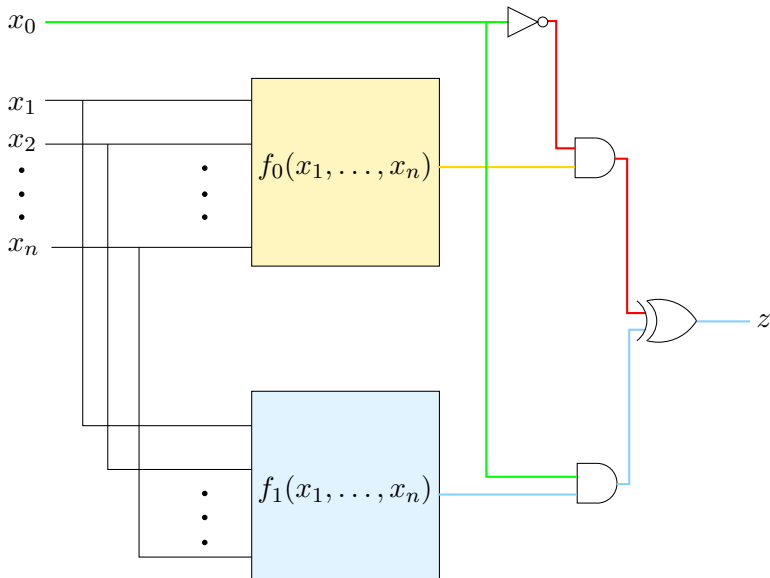
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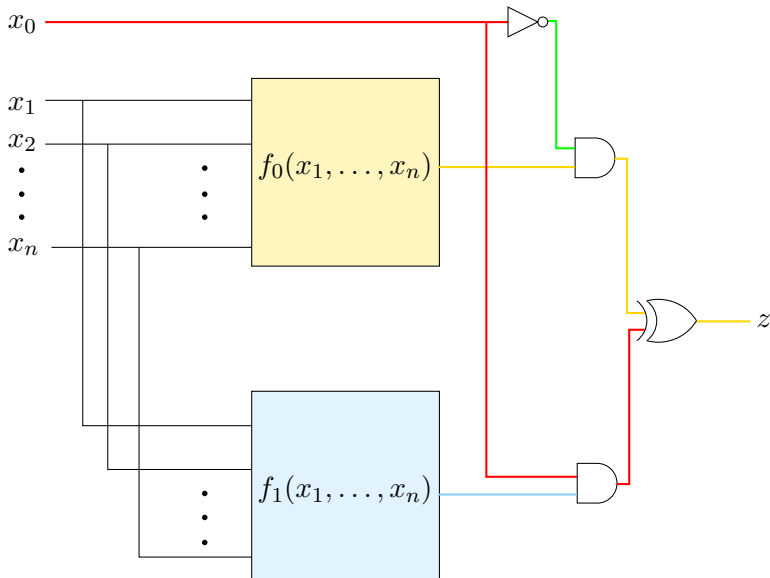
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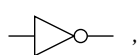


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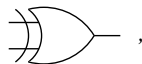
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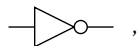
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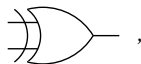
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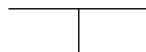
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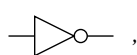
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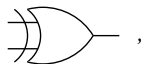
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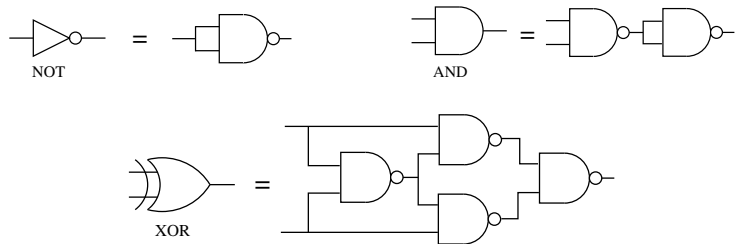
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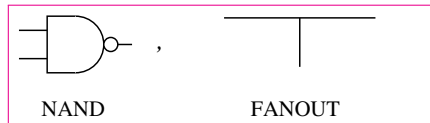
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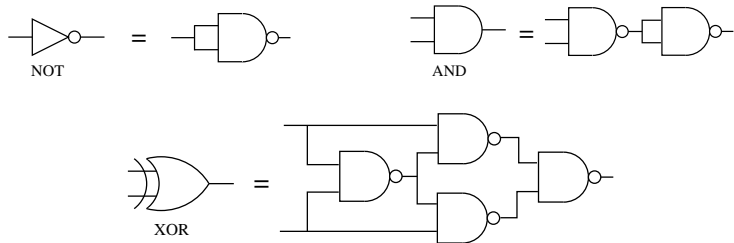
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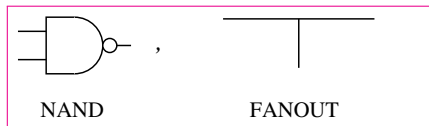
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Peirce, 1881



Sheffer, 1913

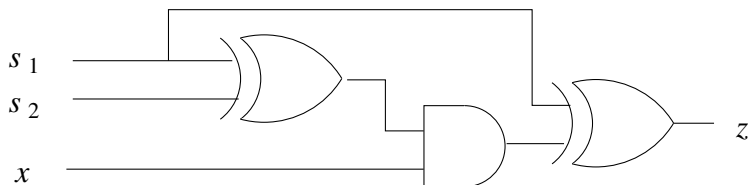
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Programmable classical circuit

Design a circuit that can compute any $f : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$.

One would need 2^n selection bits.

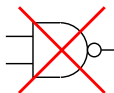
For $n = 1$



		Selection bits: s_1, s_2			
		0,0	0,1	1,0	1,1
x	0	0	0	1	1
	1	0	1	0	1
		$z = 0$	$z = x$	$z = \bar{x}$	$z = 1$

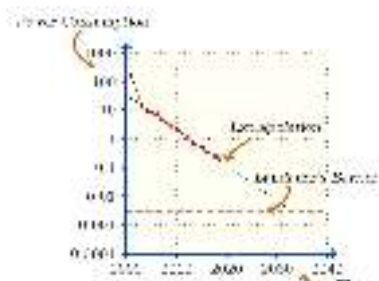
Reversible logic circuits.

NAND gate is not reversible

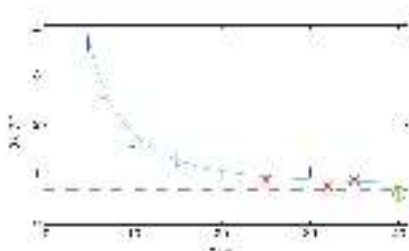


$$F : \{0, 1\}^n \not\longleftrightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$$

1. Landauer principle (1961): For every bit of information lost in a circuit a minimum heat of $kT \ln 2$ is dissipated.



R. Dreschler, R. Willie. LNCS 7373 (2012)

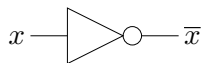


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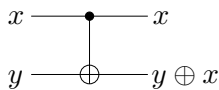
2. Quantum circuits are reversible.

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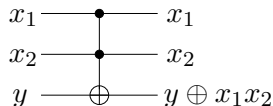
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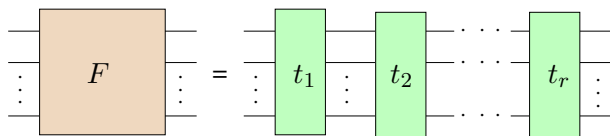
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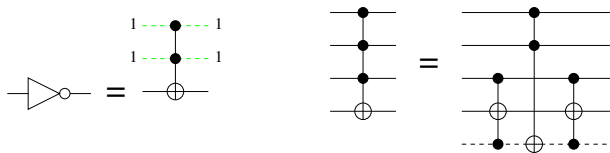
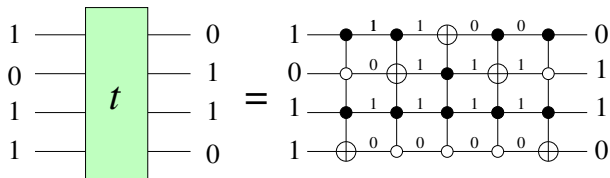
Invertible functions,

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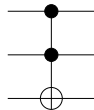
are a product of transpositions: $F = t_r \dots t_2 t_1$.

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Toffoli, 1980

Toffoli gate (+ ancilla bits) universal for reversible classical circuits.

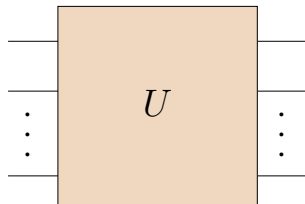


Quantum circuits

Qubit: Smallest (non trivial) quantum system.

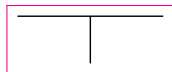
Hilbert space \mathbb{C}^2 with computational basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$.

Quantum circuits: Unitary operators $U : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ acting on systems composed of several qubits, $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$.



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





No-cloning theorem: FANOUT gate



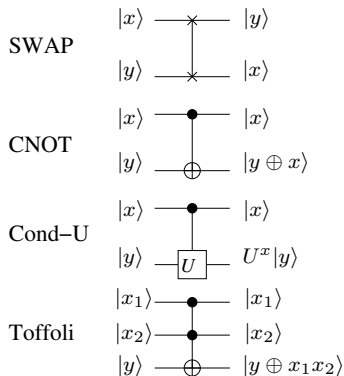
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Some quantum gates

Single qubit gates

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$\pi/8$		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{bmatrix}$

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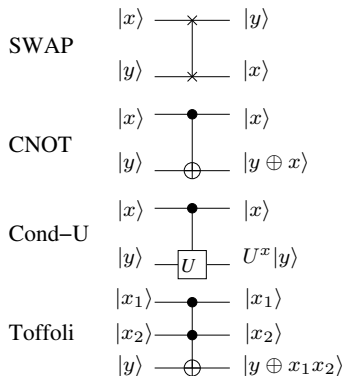


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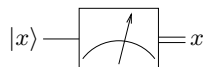
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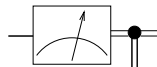
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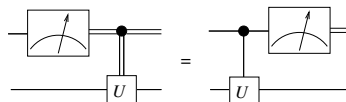
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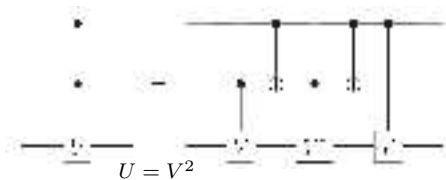
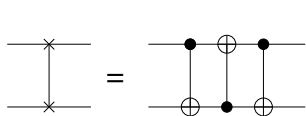


Classical control

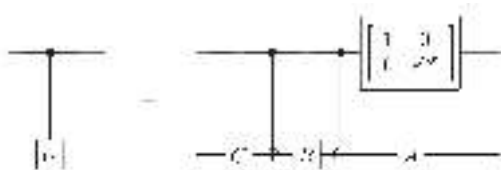


Principle of deferred measurement

Some useful relations



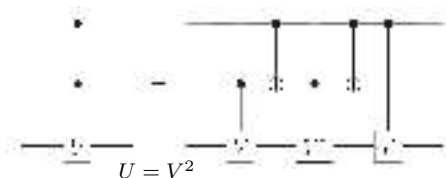
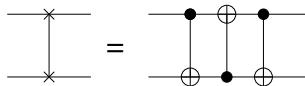
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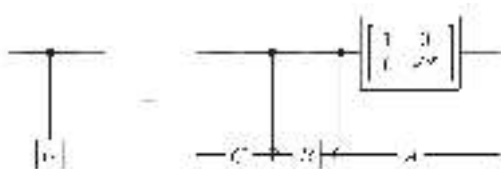
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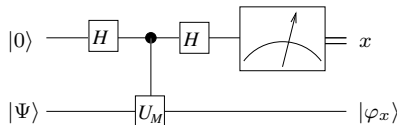
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Measuring M

$$M = \lambda_0 P_0 + \lambda_1 P_1,$$

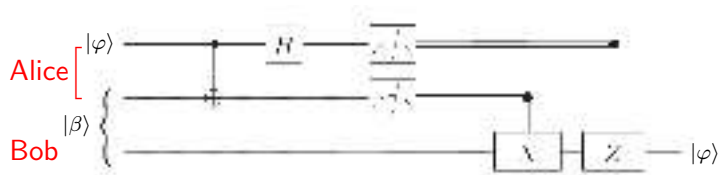
$$P_x = |\varphi_x\rangle \langle \varphi_x|,$$

$$U_M = P_0 - P_1$$



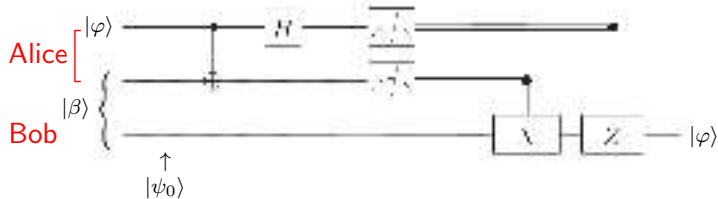
$$\text{pr}(x) = |\langle \varphi_x | \Psi \rangle|^2$$

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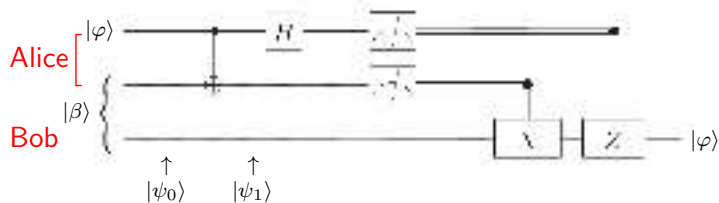
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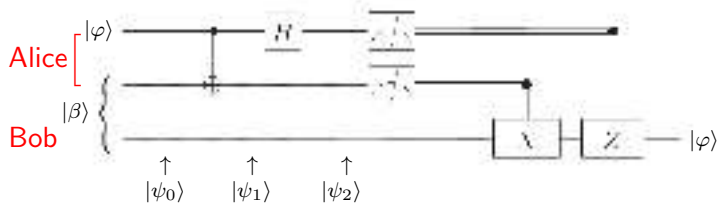


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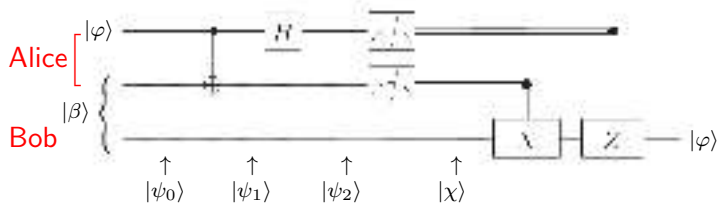
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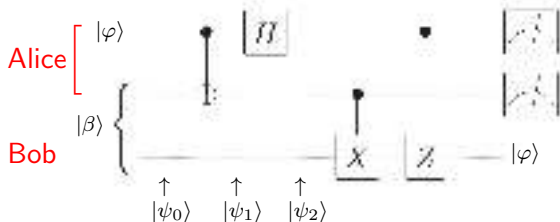
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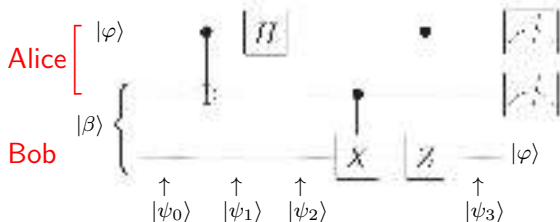
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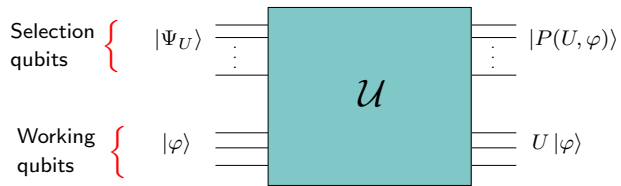
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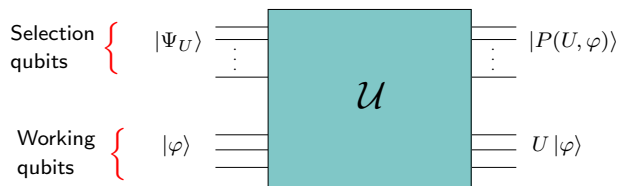
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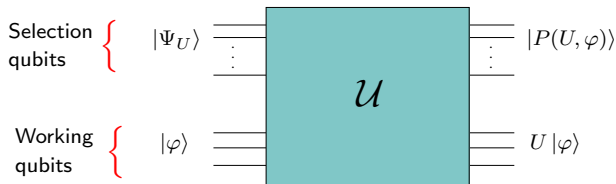


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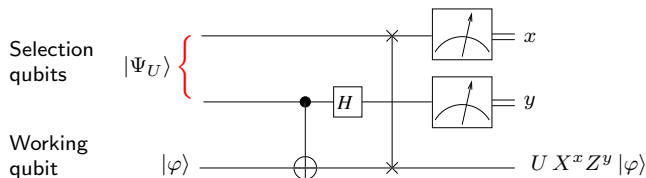
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Stochastic programmable quantum computer



$$\Psi_U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(U \otimes I)(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

With a probability $1/4$, when $x = 0$ and $y = 0$, the output is $U |\psi\rangle$.

Reading the registers we know when we get the desired result.

For m working qubits $\rightarrow 2m$ selection qubits. **Linear dependence!!**

But the probability of success is 2^{-m} .

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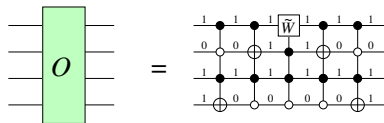
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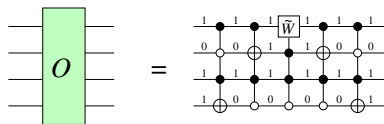
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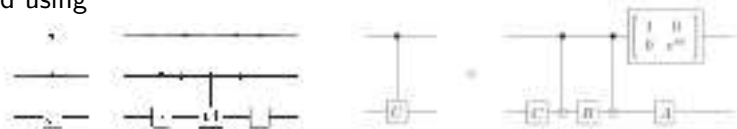
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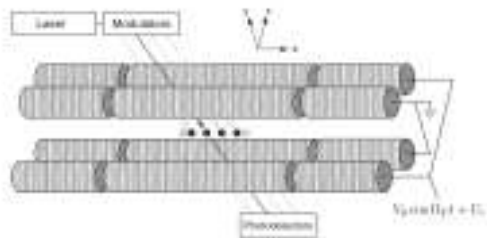


we get that **CNOT + one qubit gates** form a universal set.

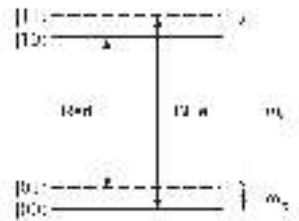
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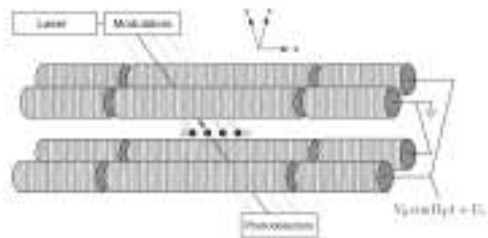


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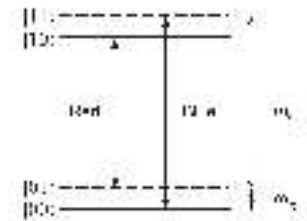


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Single qubit operators

Apply an electromagnetic field of frequency ω_0 and phase φ . The interaction Hamiltonian is

$$H_I = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2}(X \cos \varphi + Y \sin \varphi) \otimes I$$

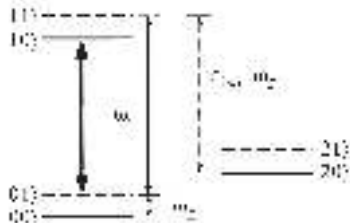
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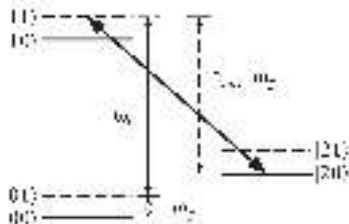
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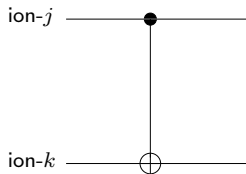
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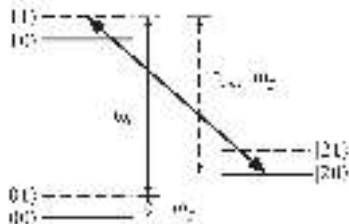
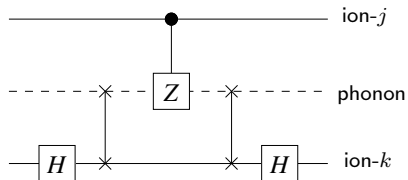
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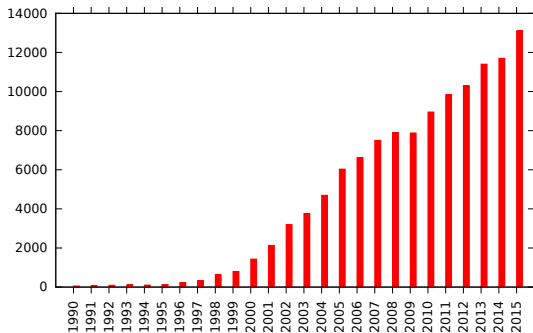


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The rush starts.

Papers per year related to “Quantum Information” .



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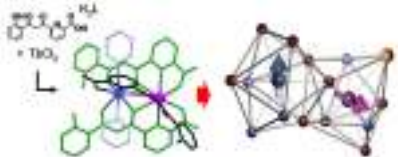
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