

# Quantum verification with limited resources

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# Outline

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# Milestone

- Construction of the (commercial) quantum computer.
- The use of quantum resources for solving various problems.
- Simulations of physical systems.
- Era of NISQD (noisy-intermediate scale quantum devices).



## Current use of Quantum devices

- Quantum processors up to 100 qubits - scientific development, simulations of biological systems, optimization problems, machine learning...
- 32 qubit simulator available online for experiments and studies.
- IBM Q Experience (<https://qiskit.org/textbook/preface.html>).



FIGURE – <https://www.research.ibm.com/ibm-q/>

## Basics of Quantum Information

- $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^d$  : The most relevant case is  $d = 2$ .
- Pure state of a qubit

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1.$$

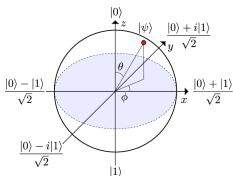


FIGURE – Representation of qubit states on Bloch sphere

- Pure state of  $N$  qubits

$$|\psi_N\rangle = \sum_{i_1 \dots i_N=0,1} \alpha_{i_1 \dots i_N} |i_1 \dots i_N\rangle, \quad \sum_{i_1 \dots i_N=0,1} |\alpha_{i_1 \dots i_N}|^2 = 1.$$

- Preparation of the mixed state :  $\{\rho_i, |\psi_i\rangle\}$ . The density operator *mixed state for such a system* is

$$\rho = \sum_i \rho_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|, \quad \sum_i \rho_i = 1.$$

# Basics of Quantum Information

## ■ Transformation

- Time-evolution of a **isolated** quantum system  $\rho' = U\rho U^\dagger$
- **Non-isolated** system : Kraus operators  $\sum_a M_a^\dagger M_a = \mathbb{1}$ .  
Quantum channel :  $\epsilon(\rho) = \sum_a M_a \rho M_a^\dagger$ .

## ■ Measurement

- **Projective measurement**  $M = \sum_m m P_m$ ,  $p(m) = \text{Tr}(P_m \rho)$  and  $\rho_{\text{after}} = \frac{P_m \rho P_m}{\text{Tr}(P_m \rho)}$ .
- **General quantum measurement** :  $\sum_m M_m^\dagger M_m = \mathbb{1}$   $p(m) = \text{Tr}(M_m^\dagger M_m \rho)$ .  
POVM elements  $E_m = M_m^\dagger M_m$ ,  $\sum_m E_m = \mathbb{1}$  and  $p(m) = \text{Tr} E_m \rho$ .

## ■ Operational approach to Quantum Mechanics



FIGURE – The basic elements of quantum information processing : preparation, transformation and measurement of a quantum system.

# Quantum entanglement

- 2 subsystems A and B :  $|\psi_{AB}\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$  is *separable if and only if* :

$$|\psi_{AB}\rangle = |\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\psi_B\rangle.$$

$$\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i |\psi_A^{(i)}\rangle\langle\psi_A^{(i)}| \otimes |\psi_B^{(i)}\rangle\langle\psi_B^{(i)}|, \text{ such that } p_i \in [0, 1] \text{ and } \sum_i p_i = 1.$$

- *N* subsystems (e.g. qubits)

*Pure state*  $|\psi_N\rangle \in \otimes_{k=1}^N \mathcal{H}^{(k)}$  is *fully separable*  $|\psi_N\rangle = \otimes_{i=1}^N |\phi_i\rangle.$

*Mixed state*  $\rho_N$  is *fully separable if*

$$\rho = \sum_k \omega_k |\phi_1^{(k)}\rangle\langle\phi_1^{(k)}| \otimes |\phi_2^{(k)}\rangle\langle\phi_2^{(k)}| \dots \otimes |\phi_N^{(k)}\rangle\langle\phi_N^{(k)}|, \text{ where } \sum_k \omega_k = 1.$$

- If the quantum state is not fully separable then it contains some **entanglement**.

**Quantum entanglement** :  
Resource for quantum computation and  
quantum communication.

# The task of quantum verification

*Given a limited number of interactions with a large system, how much classical information can we learn with a high degree of certainty?*



# Motivation

## Verification of quantum entanglement

- Reliable verification of quantum entanglement is a considerable challenge when dealing with large-scale quantum systems.
- Two main issues : Resources (time, experimental stability, number of different measurements, number of copies) and complex data post-processing.

## The witness operator

(O. Gühne, & G. Tóth, *Phys. Rep.* **474**, 1 (2009).)

- $\text{Tr}(W\rho_s) \geq 0$  for all separable states  $\rho_s$ .
- Local decomposition of witness operator.
- Large number of identically prepared copies in order to extract the corresponding mean value with high accuracy.

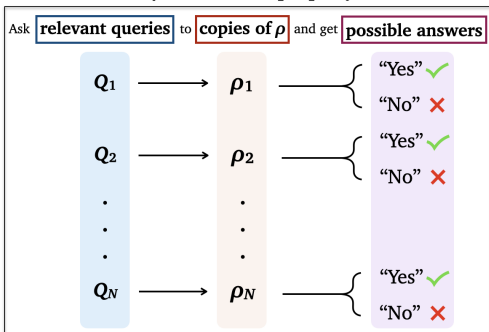
## Quantum state tomography

- Unfeasible for large systems due to the exponential growth of the number of measurements with the size of the system.

**New approach !**

# Probabilistic approach to the property verification

Does  $\rho$  contain the property  $A_1$ ?



→ If number of "yes" >  $T_c$ ,  
 $\rho$  contains  $A_1$  with high probability

# Probabilistic entanglement detection

## The goal

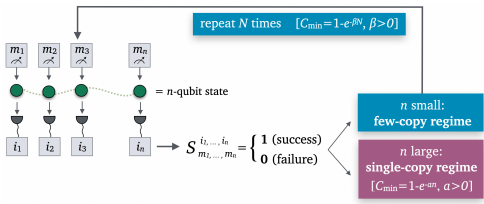
- Given a **large quantum system** (tens of qubits), verify whether entanglement is present in it by minimizing time and resources.
- Focus on a single experimental run.
- Central quantity for entanglement detection is **the probability of success** of the quantum state to perform certain binary tasks.

## Advantages :

- a) It promises a dramatic reduction of the resources needed for reliable verification in large quantum systems.
- b) It provides a simple tool for reliable statistical analysis of errors and confidence intervals.

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# Probabilistic framework for entanglement detection



1. A sequence of measurement settings  $\{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n\}$  is randomly generated from the probability distribution of settings  $\Pi(m_1, \dots, m_M)$ .
2. The measurements are locally executed on each subsystem and the set of outcomes  $\{i_1, \dots, i_n\}$  is obtained.
3. A certain binary (1/0) cost function of settings and outcomes  $S_{[n]} = F_{m_1 \dots m_n}^{i_1 \dots i_n}$  is computed.
4. If  $S_{[n]} = 1/0$  we associate "success/failure" to the experimental run.

- Repeating this procedure  $N$  times, the probability of detecting entanglement goes to unity exponentially fast in  $N$  for target state preparations, i.e. the (lower bound on) detection confidence grows as  $C_{\min} = 1 - \exp[-\alpha(n)N]$

## Example of k-producible entangled states

- **k-producible state** :  $|\phi_1\rangle|\phi_2\rangle \dots |\phi_n\rangle$ , where the products  $|\phi_s\rangle$  involve at most  $k$  parties.
- For simplicity - **quantum singlet** :  $|\psi_0\rangle = |\psi^-\rangle^{\otimes n}$ , where  $|\psi^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$
- Set of  $\{X, Y, Z\}$  measurement settings for each qubit with binary outcomes  $i = 0, 1$ .
- The quantum singlet :  $X \otimes X = Y \otimes Y = Z \otimes Z = -1 \implies$  perfect anticorrelations.

Choice of measurement settings :

$$m_1 = \frac{\mathbb{1} - X \otimes X}{2}, \quad m_2 = \frac{\mathbb{1} - Y \otimes Y}{2}, \quad m_3 = \frac{\mathbb{1} - Z \otimes Z}{2}.$$

- Entanglement detection : there is no separable state for which the measurement reveals  $m_1 = m_2 = m_3 = 1$ .

$$P_{\rho_{sep}} = \langle \frac{1}{3}(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) \rangle \leq \frac{2}{3}$$

## Quantum singlet example

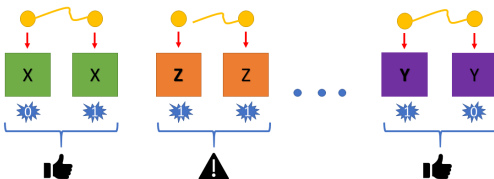


FIGURE – Protocol for  $2n$  qubit state, ideally consisting of quantum singlets.

- Perform our protocol and calculate :  $R_{[n]} = \sum_{p=1}^n S_p$ , where  $S_p$  is the outcome of the correlation measurement on individual pair.

$$S_p = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - (-1)^{i_p + j_p} \right), i_p, j_p = 0, 1$$

- The cost function is defined as

$$S_{[n]} = \begin{cases} 1, & R_{[n]} \geq \left(\frac{2}{3} + \delta\right)n \\ 0, & R_{[n]} < \left(\frac{2}{3} + \delta\right)n \end{cases}$$

## Quantum singlet example

- The overall **probability of success** reads :

$$P_{\rho}[S_{[n]} = 1] = P_{\rho} \left[ S_1 + \dots + S_n \geq \left( \frac{2}{3} + \delta \right) n \right]$$

- Chernoff bound!

$$P_{\rho_{sep}}[S_{[n]} = 1] \leq e^{-D(\frac{2}{3} + \delta || \frac{2}{3})n},$$

where  $D(x||y) = x \log \frac{x}{y} + (1-x) \log \frac{1-x}{1-y} \geq 0$  is the Kullback–Leibler divergence ;

- $\delta = \frac{s}{N} - \frac{2}{3}$ , where  $s$  is number of successful outcomes in experiment.
- $\delta > 0 \implies$  probability of success for entanglement detection :  $1 - e^{-D(\frac{2}{3} + \delta || \frac{2}{3})N}$ .
- $\delta \leq 0 \implies$  experimental run is inconclusive.

## Other examples

### ■ Linear cluster state (LCS)

- The  $n$ -qubit LCS is uniquely defined by the set of  $2^n$  stabilizers, i.e.

$$G_{q_1 \dots q_n} |LCS\rangle = G_1^{q_1} \dots G_n^{q_n} |LCS\rangle = +1 |LCS\rangle,$$

where  $G_k = Z_{k-1} X_k Z_{k+1}$  and  $q_k = 0, 1$ .

- Combinatorics : Dividing LCS into partitions of  $L$  qubits.
- Applying suitably chosen measurements related to stabilizers to the partitions - using [incompatibility](#) of local measurements.
- Chernoff bound :

$$P_{\rho_{sep}}[S_{[n]} = 1] \leq e^{-D(\frac{2}{3} + \delta || \frac{2}{3})L}$$

One copy of 24-qubit LCS suffices to verify entanglement with confidence  $> 95\%$  !

### ■ Ground states of local Hamiltonians

- $L$ -local Hamiltonian on some graph of  $n$  particles  $H = \sum_{k=1}^n H^{(k)}$ , where  $H^{(k)}$  acts on at most  $L$  subsystems ( $L$  is fixed and independent of  $n$ ).
- Entanglement gap  $g_E = \epsilon_s - \epsilon_0 > 0 \rightarrow P_{\rho_{sep}}[S_{[n]} = 1] \leq \exp[-n\kappa^2\delta^2]$ ,  $\kappa > 0$ .



## Building the general framework

What if we work with smaller quantum systems ? Or we want to work in Device-Independent regime ?

### Expectations ?

Provide generic framework to translate any entanglement witness to a reliable and resource-efficient decision procedure which :

- a) detects quantum entanglement with confidence that grows exponentially fast to certainty with the number of copies of the quantum state,
- b) is implemented via local measurements only
- c) does not require an assumption of *independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.)* experimental runs and
- d) provides reliable detection even if the number of available copies is less than the total number of measurement settings needed to extract the mean value of the witness operator.

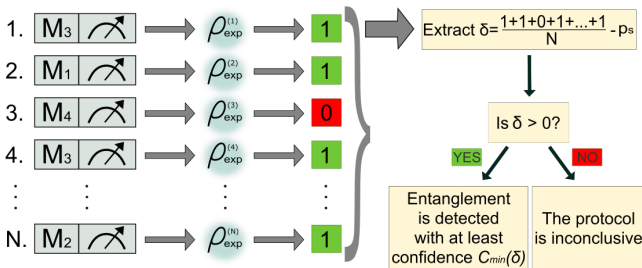
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# Translation of entanglement witnesses

## How to choose appropriate measurement settings $M_k$ ?

- Equivalence transformation  $W \rightarrow W' = aW + b\mathbb{1}$ .
- Probability of success :  $\langle W' \rangle = \text{Tr}(W' \rho_{exp})$ .
- $\langle W \rangle = \text{Tr}(W \rho_S) \geq 0$  for any separable state  $\rho_S$ .
- $\langle W' \rangle$  upper bounded by  $p_S$  for any separable state and achieves  $p_e > p_S$  for a certain entangled state.
- Find the local decomposition of  $W'$ .

## Building the realistic framework



$$C_{\min}(\delta) = 1 - e^{-D(\rho_s + \delta || \rho_s)N}$$

### Entanglement verification procedure

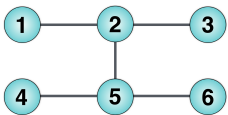
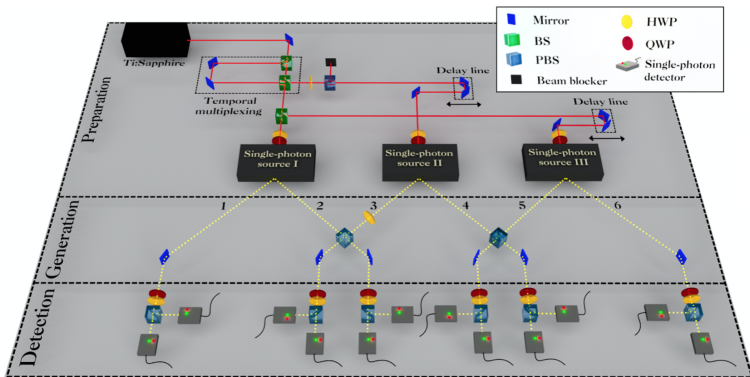
- 1 Randomly draw the measurements  $M_k$ 's (each with probability  $\Pi_k$ ) from the set  $\mathcal{M}$   $N$  times ;
- 2 Apply each drawn  $M_k$  to  $\rho_{\text{exp}}$  to get the corresponding binary outcome  $m_k = 1, 0$  ;
- 3 Count the number of successful outcomes  $S$  and calculate the difference  $\delta = \frac{S}{N} - p_s$  ;
- 4 If  $\delta > 0$ , entanglement is certified with at least confidence  $C_{\min}(\delta)$ . Otherwise, the test is inconclusive.

# Illustrative example

## Example of n-qubit cluster state

- 1 Start with standard witness  $W = \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{1} - |G\rangle\langle G|$ .
- 2 After equivalence transformation :  $W' = \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{1} + \frac{1}{2}|G\rangle\langle G| \implies \langle W' \rangle \leq 3/4 = p_S$ .
- 3 Decomposition via stabilizers :  $|G\rangle\langle G| = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{k=1}^{2^n} S_k$ .
- 4  $W' = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{k=1}^{2^n} M_k$ , where  $M_k = (\mathbb{1} + S_k)/2$  with uniform sampling

# Experimental implementation



## H-shaped six-qubit cluster state

$$|C_6\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|H_1 H_2 H_3 H_4 H_5 H_6\rangle + |H_1 H_2 H_3 V_4 V_5 V_6\rangle + |V_1 V_2 V_3 H_4 H_5 H_6\rangle - |V_1 V_2 V_3 V_4 V_5 V_6\rangle)$$

## Adaption of the protocol to our state

It means...

...finding the  $M_k$  operators and the separable bound  $p_s$  for our target state.

- We start from two witness operators (detecting *genuine six-qubit entanglement*) and translate them into our probabilistic protocol :

$W_1 = 3\mathbb{1} - 2 \left( \prod_{k=1,3,5} \frac{\mathbb{1} + G_k}{2} + \prod_{k=2,4,6} \frac{\mathbb{1} + G_k}{2} \right)$	$W_2 = \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{1} -  Cl_6\rangle\langle Cl_6 $
$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_1 = \prod_{k=1,3,5} \frac{\mathbb{1} + G_k}{2}, \\ M_2 = \prod_{k=2,4,6} \frac{\mathbb{1} + G_k}{2} \end{array} \right\}$	$M_k = \frac{\mathbb{1} + S_k}{2}$ where $k = 1, \dots, 2^6$
$p_{s1} = \frac{3}{4}$	$p_{s2} = \frac{3}{4}$

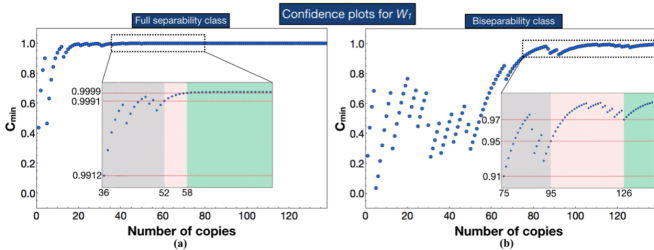
- Additionally, we can numerically find a bound to detect *only some entanglement* :

$p_{fs1} = \frac{9}{16}$	$p_{fs2} = \frac{5}{8}$
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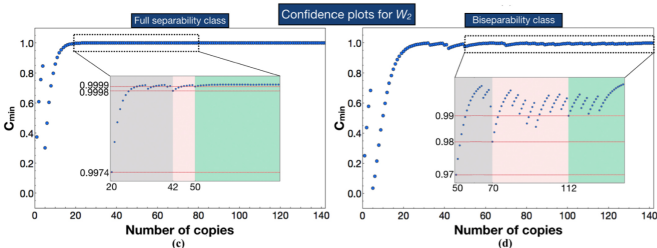
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# Results

- 2 measurement settings sampled  $N = 150$  times.

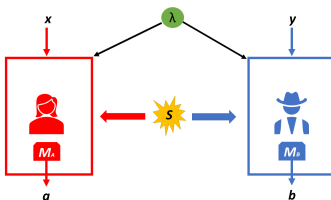


- 64 measurement settings sampled  $N = 160$  times.



# Nonlocality

## ■ Typical Bell experiment



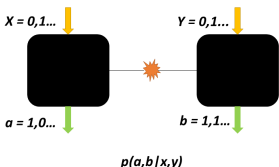
## ■ Locality condition in the context of Bell experiments is as follows :

$$p(a, b|x, y) = \int_{\Lambda} d\lambda q(\lambda) p(a|x, \lambda) p(b|y, \lambda).$$

**Bell Theorem :** *No physical theory of local hidden variables can ever reproduce all of the predictions of quantum mechanics.*



# Self-testing



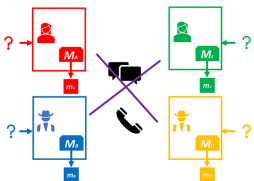
- Self-testing is a method to deduce the underlying physics of a quantum experiment in a black box scenario.
- Device-independent scenario.
- Self-test of a target quantum state : maximal violation of corresponding Bell's inequality.
- For source producing separable states one gets

$$\mathcal{F}(\{p(a, b | x, y)\}) \leq \mathcal{B}.$$

- Example of **3-qubit GHZ state** :  $\psi_{GHZ} = (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ .
- Its self-test : the maximal violation of the Mermin inequality :

$$\langle A_0 B_0 C_1 \rangle + \langle A_0 B_1 C_0 \rangle + \langle A_1 B_0 C_1 \rangle - \langle A_1 B_1 C_1 \rangle \leq 2$$

# Nonlocality detection



- Example of 4-qubit cluster state :  $|LCS_4\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|+\rangle|0\rangle|+\rangle|0\rangle + |+\rangle|0\rangle|-\rangle|1\rangle + |-\rangle|1\rangle|-\rangle|0\rangle + |-\rangle|1\rangle|+\rangle|1\rangle)$ .
- Inequality :  $A_1 C_1 D_2 + 2A_2 B_1 C_2 D_2 + A_1 C_2 D_1 - 2A_2 B_1 C_1 D_1 + B_2 C_1 D_2 + B_2 C_2 D_1 \leq 4$
- The algebraic maximum of 8 with a cluster state.
- $(A_i, B_j, C_k, D_l)$  are  $Z$  and  $X$  up to local rotations.

$$P_s = \frac{1}{8}(Q_1 + 2Q_2 + Q_3 + 2Q_4 + Q_5 + Q_6),$$

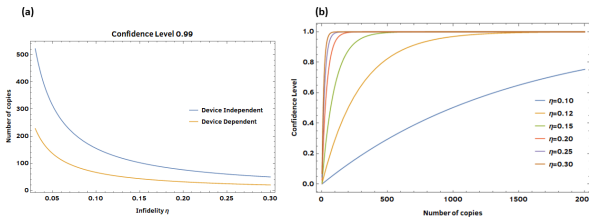
$$\text{where } Q_1 = \frac{1+A_1 C_1 D_2}{2}, Q_2 = \frac{1+A_2 B_1 C_2 D_2}{2}, Q_3 = \frac{1+A_1 C_2 D_1}{2},$$

$$Q_4 = \frac{1-A_2 B_1 C_1 D_1}{2}, Q_5 = \frac{1+B_2 C_1 D_2}{2} \text{ and } Q_6 = \frac{1+B_2 C_2 D_1}{2}.$$

- Local winning strategy  $p_{local} = 3/4$ .
- Confidence level  $C(\delta_0) = 1 - P(\delta_0) \geq 1 - e^{-D(p_{local} + \delta_0 || p_{local})^N} = C_{\min}(\delta_0)$ .

# Device Independent Quantum State Verification

- Fix the lower bound on average extractability (i.e. fidelity  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \psi | \rho_i | \psi \rangle$ ) that we want to certify  $1 - \eta$  which implies the lower bound on the average success probability of the whole sample.
- Fix the allowed tolerance from the optimal success rate and the corresponding verification confidence  $1 - \delta$ .
- Run the protocol : measure all the available copies ( $N$  of them) according to a procedure corresponding to a self-test for the corresponding target state.
- If the success rate is greater than minimal allowed, the protocol is successful and average extractability of the measured sequence of states is  $\Xi \geq 1 - \eta$  with confidence level  $1 - \delta$ . Otherwise, the protocol is inconclusive.



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# Conclusions

- We provide a method to detect entanglement/verify quantum state with high confidence with a reduced number of copies.
- The protocol is based on a probabilistic procedure and a translation of witness operators/Bell's inequality into it.
- *Any* witness operator/ Bell's inequality/ tight self-test can be translated into the protocol.
- Rather than measuring mean values of witness operators or collecting the whole statistics while testing Bell's inequality, we focus on single-copy measurements only.

# For the real end !

Take the right fingerprint of the target quantum state !

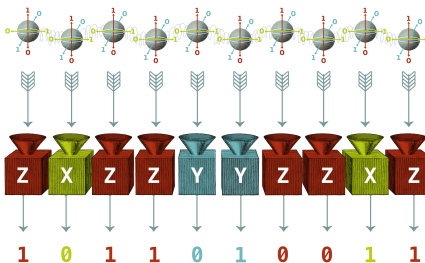


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