

# Quantum Complexity, Relativized Worlds, and Oracle Separations

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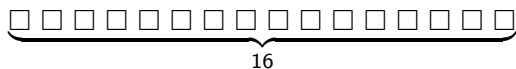
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$$\forall \square : \square \in \{0, 1\}$$

**Figure :** Our 16-bit computer, with  $2^{16}$  configurations.

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$b_1 b_2 b_3 b_4 b_5 b_6 b_7 b_8 b_9 b_{10} b_{11} b_{12} b_{13} b_{14} b_{15} b_{16}$

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**Figure :** Communicating a configuration of a **deterministic** computer.

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**Figure :** Communicating a configuration of a **deterministic** computer.

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{2^{16}} p_i = 1 \Leftrightarrow \exists! k : p_k = 1$$

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**Figure** : Communicating a configuration of a **probabilistic** computer.

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$$c_1 \ c_2 \ \dots \ c_{2^{16}}$$

$$\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 2^{16}\} : c_i \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2^{16}} |c_i|^2 = 1 \quad (*)$$

**Figure :** Communicating a configuration of a **quantum** computer.



# Quantum Computing 101

## Quantum States

# Quantum Computing 101: Quantum States

$$\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^{2^{16}}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = 0 \dots 000$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = 0 \dots 001$$

$\vdots$

$$\mathbf{v}_{2^{16}} = \underbrace{1 \dots 111}_{16}$$

## Quantum Computing 101: Quantum States

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \underbrace{0 \dots 000}_{16} = \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right) \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{array}} \right\} 2^{16}$$

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$$\mathbf{v}_{2^{16}-1} = \underbrace{1 \dots 110}_{16} = \left. \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} 2^{16}$$

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$$\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^{2^{16}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}' &= \text{span}(\mathcal{B}, \mathbb{C}) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{2^{16}} c_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_i \mid \forall i : c_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_i \in \mathcal{B} \right\} \\ &= \mathbb{C}^{2^{16}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \{\mathbf{q} \in \mathcal{H}' \mid \|\mathbf{q}\|_2 = 1\} \subseteq \mathcal{H}'$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H} &= \left\{ \mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{C}^{2^{16}} \mid \|\mathbf{q}\|_2 = 1 \right\} \\ &= \text{Our world.} \\ &\subseteq \mathbb{C}^{2^{16}}\end{aligned}$$



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$n$  = The number of qubits of our quantum system.

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$$|\psi\rangle$$

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$$|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{2^n}$$

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$|\psi\rangle$  = a ket  
= a column vector

$\langle\psi|$  = a bra  
= the dual of the ket  $|\psi\rangle$   
=  $|\psi\rangle^\dagger$   
=  $(|\psi\rangle^*)^T = (|\psi\rangle^T)^*$   
= a row vector

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$$|v_2\rangle = |0 \dots 001\rangle = |2\rangle$$

$$\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots$$

$$|v_{2^{16}}\rangle = |1 \dots 111\rangle = |2^{16}\rangle$$

# Quantum Computing 101: Quantum States

**Example.** The qubit.

$$\mathcal{B} = \{ |v_i\rangle \}_{i=1}^2$$

$$|v_1\rangle = |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|v_2\rangle = |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\psi_{\text{qubit}}\rangle = c_1 \cdot |v_1\rangle + c_2 \cdot |v_2\rangle \qquad \|\psi_{\text{qubit}}\|_2 = 1$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}(|\psi\rangle, |\phi\rangle) &= \text{inner product} \\ &= \langle\psi| \cdot |\phi\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi|\phi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}(|\psi\rangle, |\phi\rangle) &= \text{outer product} \\ &= |\psi\rangle \cdot \langle\phi| \\ &= |\psi\rangle\langle\phi| \in \mathbb{C}^{2^n \times 2^n}\end{aligned}$$

## Unitary Evolution

# Quantum Computing 101: Unitary Evolution

$$U |q_{\text{old}}\rangle = |q_{\text{new}}\rangle$$

$$U^{-1} = U^\dagger = (U^*)^T = (U^T)^*$$

# Quantum Computing 101: Unitary Evolution

$$|q_{\text{initial}}\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$$

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$$U_1 |q_{\text{initial}}\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$$



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$$U_2 U_1 |q_{\text{initial}}\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$$

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**Figure :** Our first quantum algorithm.

## Measurements

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$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} c_i \cdot |v_i\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$$

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$$n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\forall i : c_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |v_i\rangle \in \mathcal{B}$$

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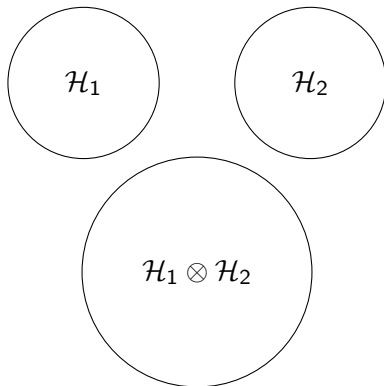
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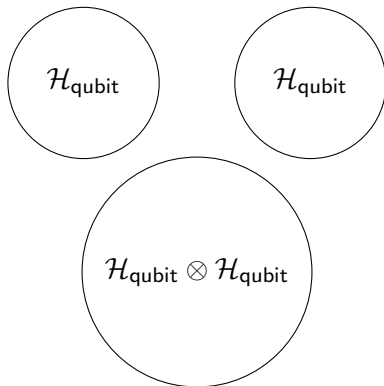


## **Composition**

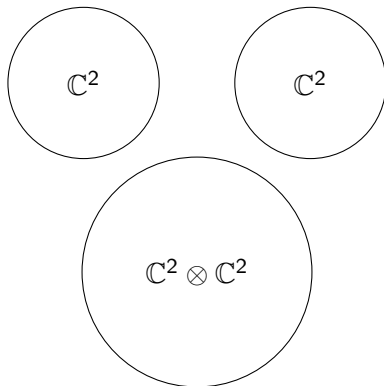
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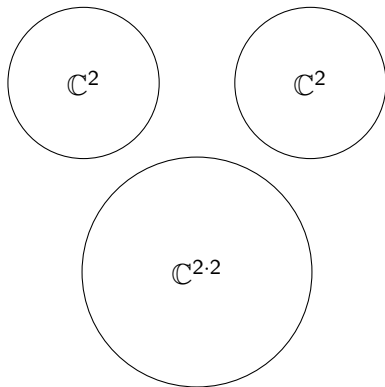
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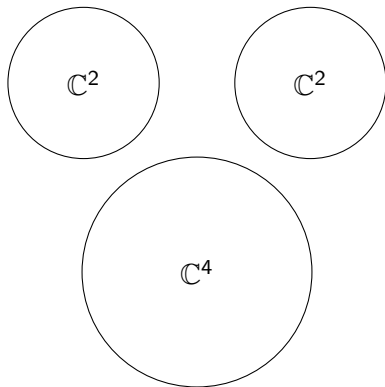
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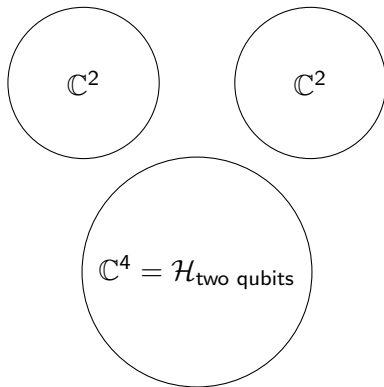
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## **A Comparison**



# Quantum Computing 101: A Comparison

**Table :** Quantum mechanics and probability theory.

Probability Theory	Quantum Mechanics
Real numbers in $[0, 1]$	Complex numbers
Real numbers that sum to 1	Complex numbers that the squares of their magnitudes sum to 1
The <i>sum</i> is equal to 1	The <i>Euclidean norm</i> is equal to 1
The <i>sum</i> is preserved	The <i>Euclidean norm</i> is preserved
The $L_1$ -norm is preserved	The $L_2$ -norm is preserved
Use of stochastic matrices	Use of unitary matrices

## Oracles

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**classical oracle**  $f : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

**unitary quantum oracle**  $q_1 : |\psi\rangle \mapsto U|\psi\rangle$

**CPTP quantum oracle**  $q_2 : \rho \mapsto \mathcal{U}\rho$

$$\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \in \mathbb{C}^{2^n \times 2^n}$$

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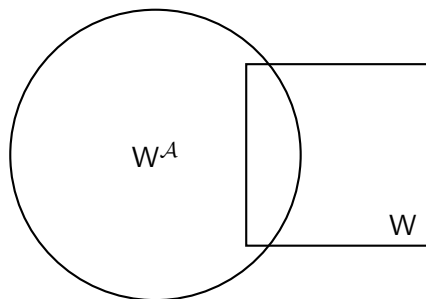
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**Figure :** Our world, namely  $W$ , and a relativized world  $W^{\mathcal{A}}$ , induced by calls to some oracle  $\mathcal{A}$ .

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## Examples of quantum oracle applications.

$\exists \mathcal{A} : \text{QMA}^{\mathcal{A}} \not\subseteq \text{QCMA}^{\mathcal{A}}$  (2006)

$\exists \mathcal{A} : \text{QMA}^{\mathcal{A}} \not\subseteq \text{QMA}_1^{\mathcal{A}}$  (2009)

$\exists \mathcal{A} : \text{SQMA}^{\mathcal{A}} \not\subseteq \text{QCMA}^{\mathcal{A}}$  (2015)

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$$P \subseteq NP$$

$$\subseteq MA$$

$$\subseteq QCMA$$

$$\subseteq QMA = SQMA$$

# Quantum Complexity

What is SQMA?

$$\mathcal{B} = \{|i\rangle\}_{i=1}^{2^n}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} c_i \cdot |i\rangle = \text{a generic state} \in \mathcal{H}$$

$$S \subseteq [2^n] = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2^n\}$$

$$|S\rangle = \sum_{i \in S} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|S|}} \cdot |i\rangle = \text{a subset state} \in \mathcal{H}$$

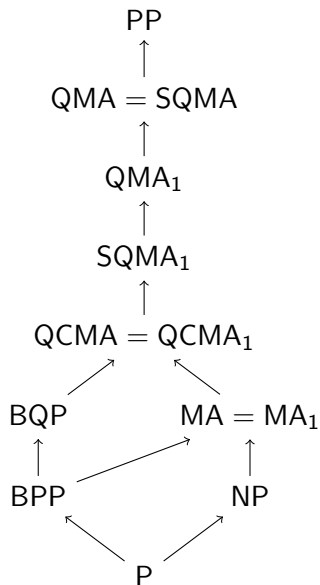
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$$\begin{aligned} P &\subseteq NP \\ &\subseteq MA = MA_1 \\ &\subseteq QCMA = QCMA_1 \\ &\subseteq SQMA_1 \\ &\subseteq QMA_1 \\ &\subseteq QMA = SQMA \\ &\subseteq PP \end{aligned}$$

# Quantum Complexity

$$(A \rightarrow B) \equiv (A \subseteq B)$$

**Polynomial-time** classes.



# Our Result

$$\exists A : SQMA_1^A \not\subseteq QCMA^A$$

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