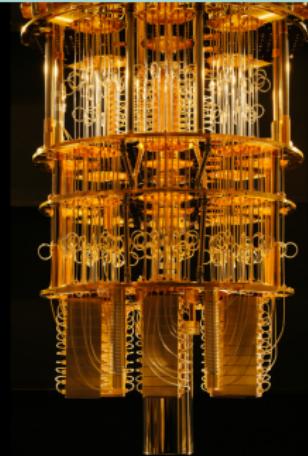
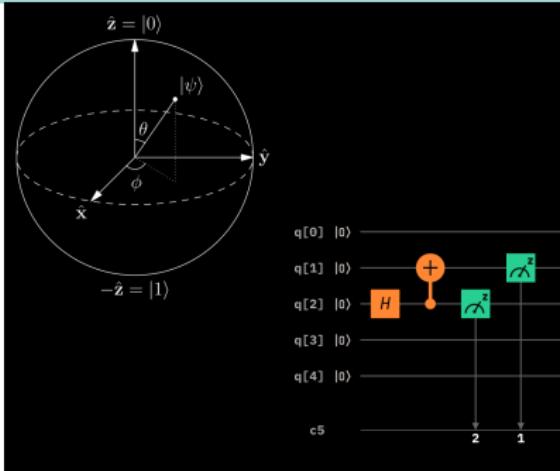


# The IBM Quantum Computing Platform

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## Online resources

[https://www.quantumtheory-bruder.physik.unibas.ch/  
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- installation guide
- **material for this session**
- slides

# Outline

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# Recap

- spins in large molecules + NMR
- ions in electromagnetic traps
- neutral atoms in optical lattices
- optical quantum computing
- $^{31}\text{P}$  donor atoms in silicon
- electron spins in semiconductor quantum dots
- superconducting electrical circuits
  - flux qubit
  - charge qubit
  - phase qubit
  - transmon qubit
- topological qubits



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# Recap

Bell states

$$|\beta_{00}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

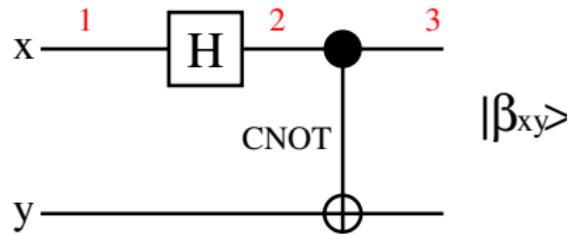
$$|\beta_{01}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

$$|\beta_{10}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

$$|\beta_{11}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

General expression:

$$|\beta_{xy}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0y\rangle + (-1)^x |1\bar{y}\rangle)$$



1 input state:  $|xy\rangle = |00\rangle$

2 apply Hadamard gate

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}:$$

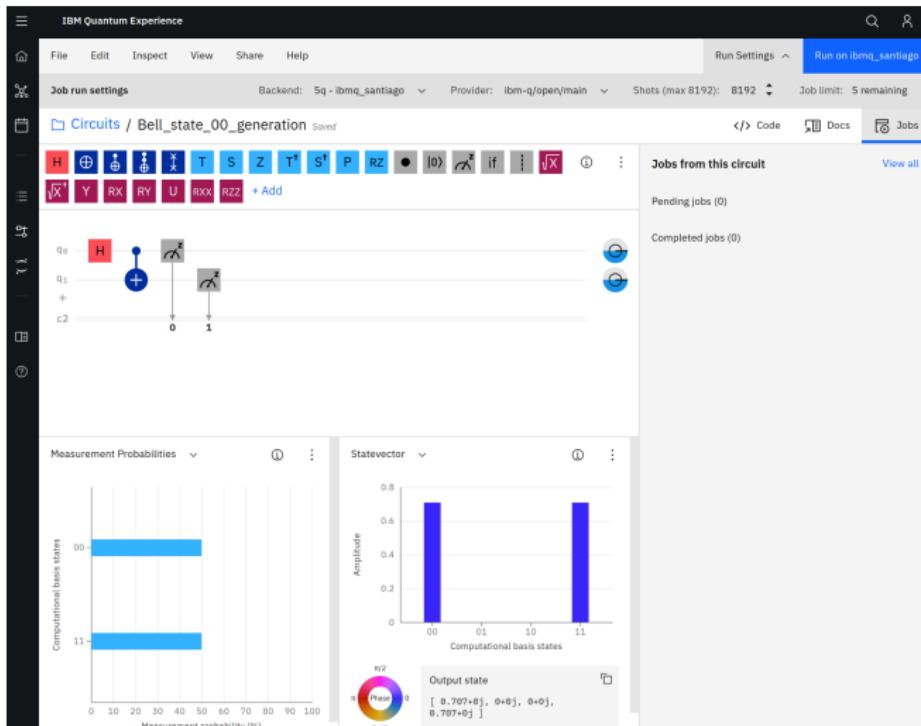
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

3 apply CNOT gate:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) = |\beta_{00}\rangle$$

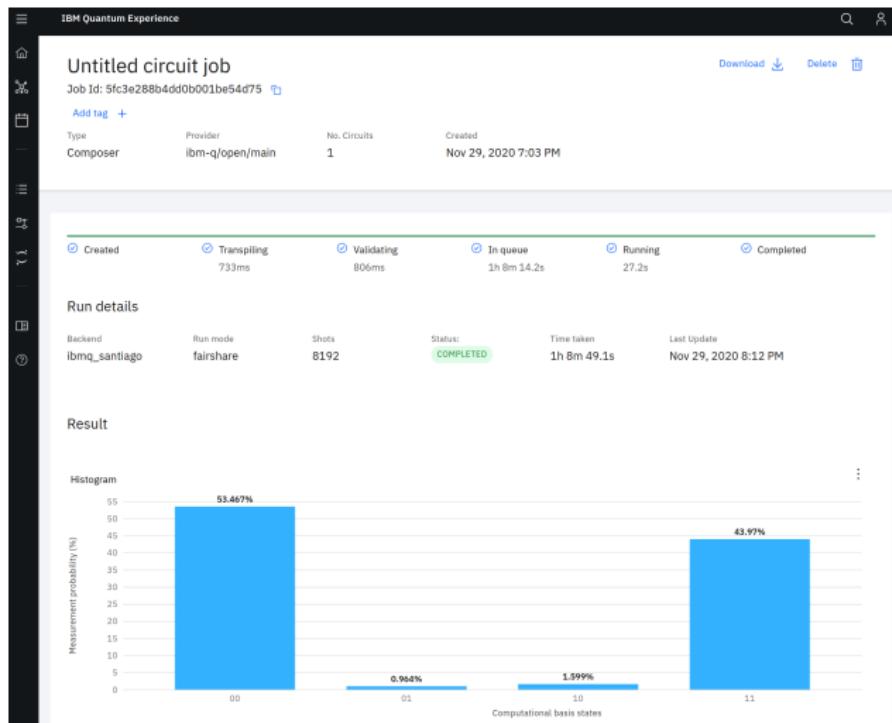
# Recap

## Bell states



# Recap

Bell states on a real quantum processor



# Programming the quantum computer with python

## The qiskit framework



# Programming the quantum computer with python

## The qiskit framework

### Terra

- define quantum algorithms by quantum circuits / pulses
- adapt quantum circuits to the hardware (transpilation)
- connect to the quantum hardware
- visualize results

### Ignis

- characterize quantum hardware
- reconstruct quantum states (tomography)
- compensate noise and errors (mitigation)

### Aer

- simulate quantum algorithms

### Aqua

- predefined algorithms for typical applications

# Programming the quantum computer with python

## Programming session 1



### Content

- defining quantum circuits in python (Terra)
- state-vector simulator (Aer)
- QASM simulator (Aer)
- device imperfections

# Programming the quantum computer with python

## Programming session 1

### Agenda

- you will be split into small teams (in breakout rooms)
- in each breakout room, introduce you quickly to your teammates
- one participant turns on screen sharing
- discuss and code together the exercise
- after a while, the host will close the breakout rooms and let you return to the main session

# Superdense coding

## Idea

- two parties: Alice (A) and Bob (B)
- Alice wants to transmit **2 classical bits of information** to Bob
- classically, she needs to send **two bits** to Bob
- quantum-mechanically, she can send **one qubit** to Bob!

# Superdense coding

Idea

- Bell states

$$|\beta_{00}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \quad |\beta_{01}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

$$|\beta_{10}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle) \quad |\beta_{11}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

- Consider that Alice and Bob share a Bell state  $|\beta_{00}\rangle$
- Alice can convert this Bell state into any other Bell state herself (**with no help from Bob**)

$$\hat{\sigma}_x \otimes \mathbb{1} |\beta_{00}\rangle = |\beta_{01}\rangle$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_z \otimes \mathbb{1} |\beta_{00}\rangle = |\beta_{10}\rangle$$

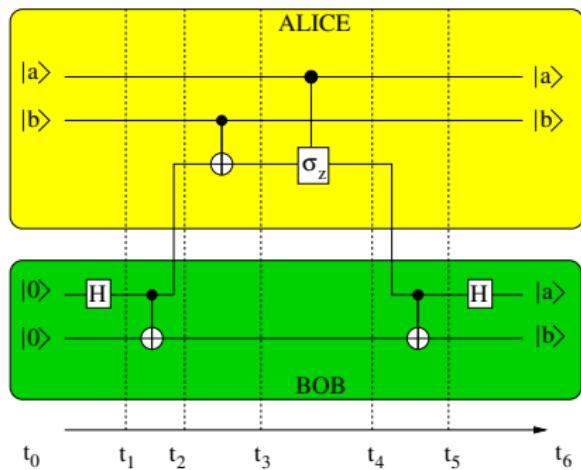
$$i\hat{\sigma}_y \otimes \mathbb{1} |\beta_{00}\rangle = |\beta_{11}\rangle$$

- $i\hat{\sigma}_y = \hat{\sigma}_z \hat{\sigma}_x$

# Superdense coding

## Protocol

- A single qubit can transmit two classical bits of information



- $t_0: |a\rangle |b\rangle |0\rangle |0\rangle$
- $t_1: |a\rangle |b\rangle \left( \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) |0\rangle$
- $t_2: |a\rangle |b\rangle \left( \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$   
i.e.  $|a\rangle |b\rangle |\beta_{00}\rangle$
- $t_3: |a\rangle |b\rangle |\beta_{0b}\rangle$
- $t_4: |a\rangle |b\rangle |\beta_{ab}\rangle$
- $t_6: |a\rangle |b\rangle |a\rangle |b\rangle$

- The information about  $a$  and  $b$  is encoded in the entangled state of the two-qubit system shared by Alice and Bob

# Superdense coding

## Programming session 2



### Content

- transpiling quantum circuits (Terra)
- error mitigation (Ignis)

# Quantum algorithms

## Deutsch algorithm

Is  $f(x) : \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  balanced or constant?

- balanced if  $f(0) = \overline{f(1)} \Leftrightarrow f(0) \oplus f(1) = 1$
  - constant if  $f(0) = f(1) \Leftrightarrow f(0) \oplus f(1) = 0$
- 
- $\hat{U}_f : |x, y\rangle \rightarrow |x, y \oplus f(x)\rangle$  quantum circuit implementing  $y + f(x) \bmod 2$  in the second qubit
  - example: input  $|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$ ,  $|y\rangle = |0\rangle$  leads to

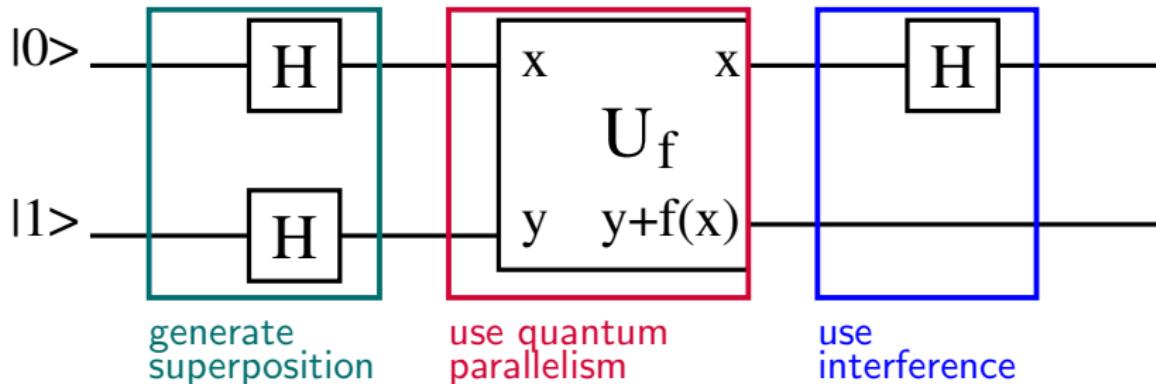
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0, f(0)\rangle + |1, f(1)\rangle)$$

- $\Rightarrow$  one “application” of  $f$  results in both  $f(0)$  and  $f(1)$ !
- but: measurement gives either  $|0, f(0)\rangle$  or  $|1, f(1)\rangle$
  - so, quantum parallelism does not help ...?

# Quantum algorithms

## Deutsch algorithm

- ...it does if we transform the information in a clever way:



- final state is  $\propto |f(0) \oplus f(1)\rangle \otimes (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$   
⇒ measuring the first qubit gives a global property of  $f$ ,  
namely  $f(0) \oplus f(1)$ , using only one evaluation of  $f(x)$
- this is impossible on a classical computer!

# Quantum algorithms

## Programming session 3



### Content

- predefined quantum algorithms (Aqua)

# Educational material

Start your path towards  
learning *Quantum Algorithms*

## Learning resources

The below are designed and created by the Qiskit team.  
However, we recommend a familiarity with [linear algebra](#)  
and [Python](#) from these trusted resources.

<https://qiskit.org/learn>

Qiskit textbook

Youtube series *Coding with Qiskit*

Online course *Introduction to QC*

All resources

Beginner

Advanced

Time to spend learning

- any
- 1 minute
- 1 day
- 1 week
- 1 month
- 1 year



### Qiskit Textbook

The Qiskit Textbook is a free digital open source textbook that will teach you the concepts of quantum computing while you learn to use Qiskit.

Read the textbook

**Thank you**  
for your attention.