

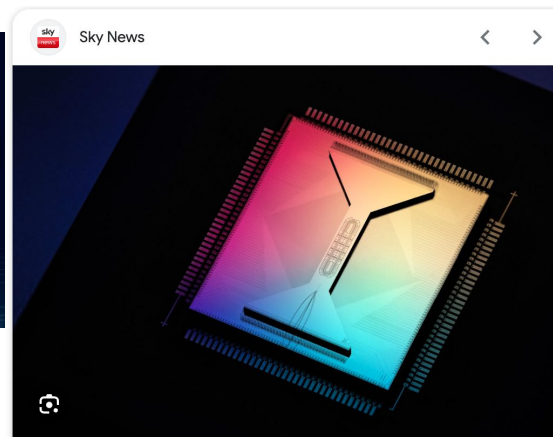
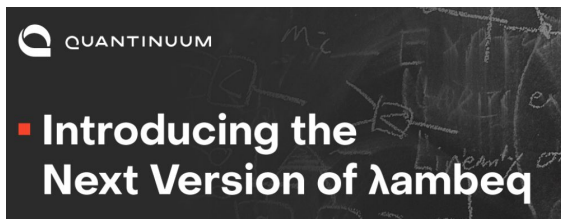
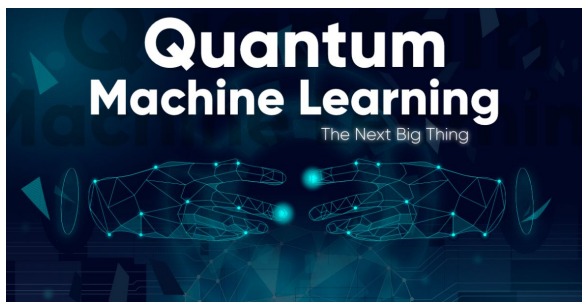
# Quantum Recurrent Architectures for Natural Language Processing

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# Quantum Computing



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$\psi$   
————— 0

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$\psi$   
————— 1

# The State of a Qubit

$|\psi\rangle$

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

*superposition*

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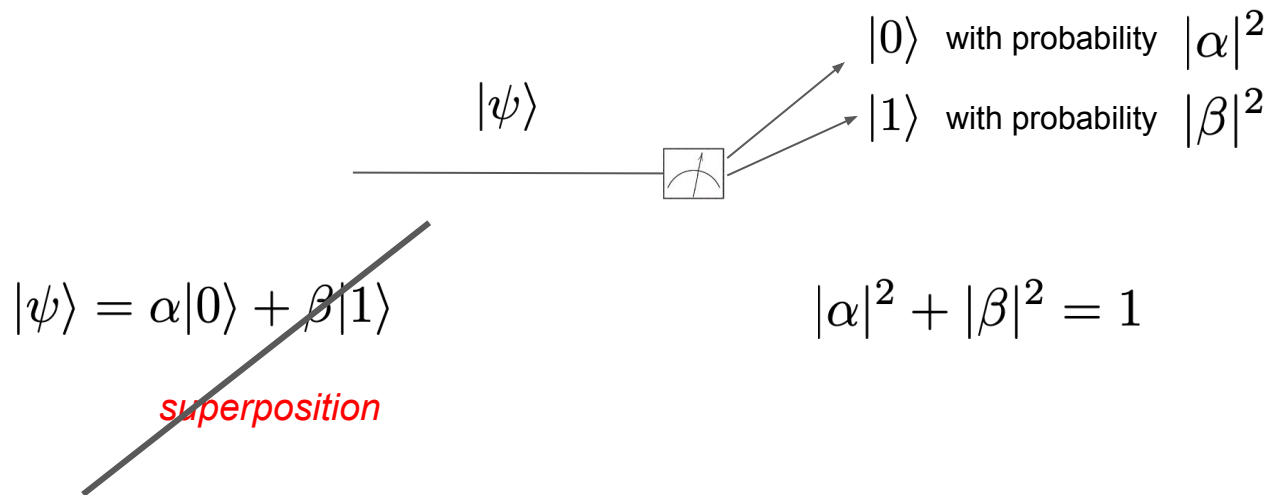
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$$|\psi\rangle$$

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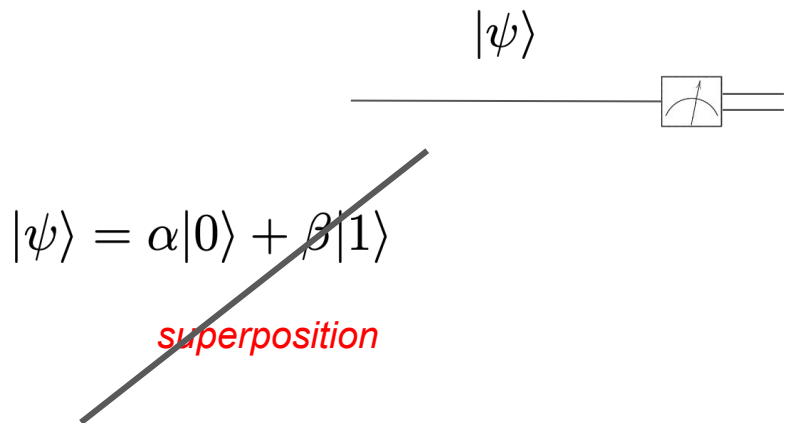
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# Measuring a Qubit





# Measuring a Qubit (scalar output)



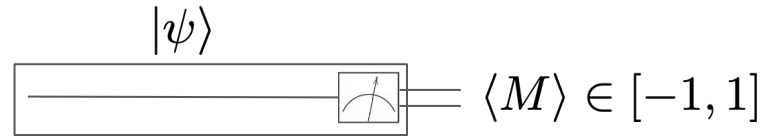
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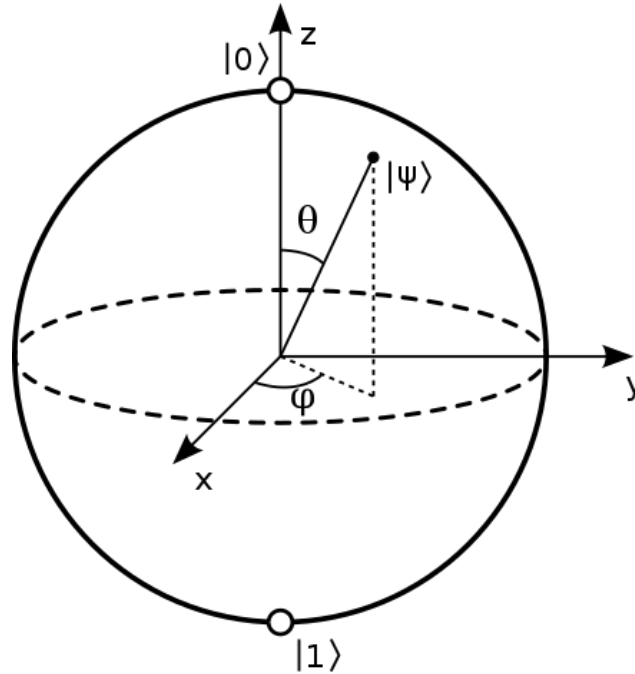
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# Measuring a Qubit (many times)



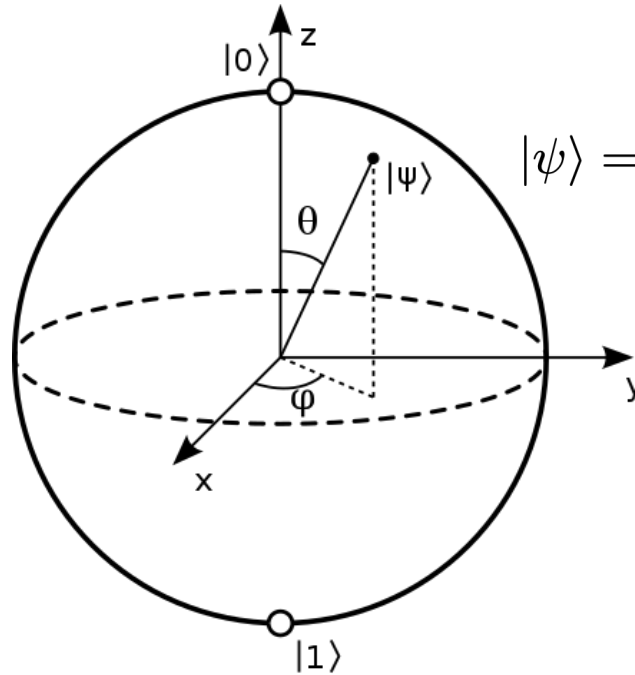
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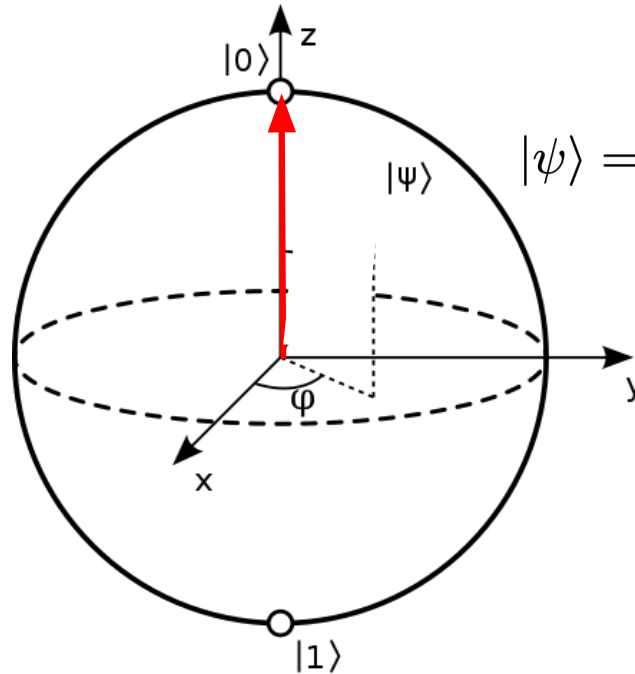
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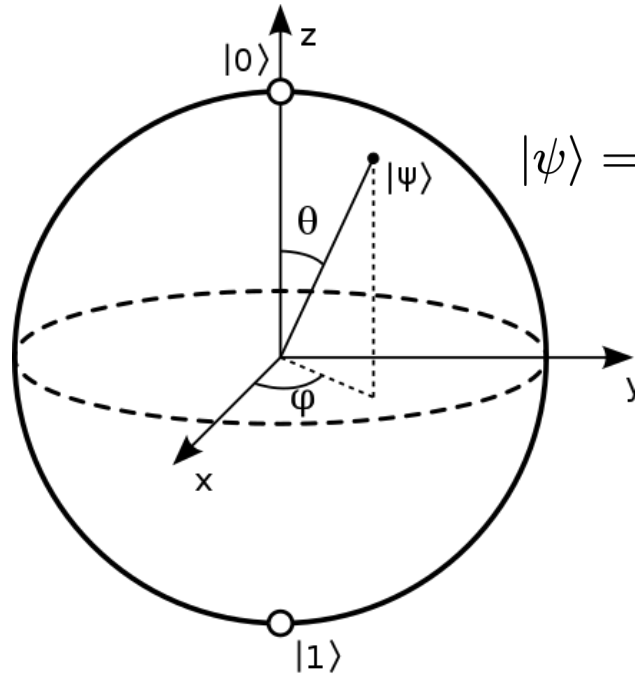


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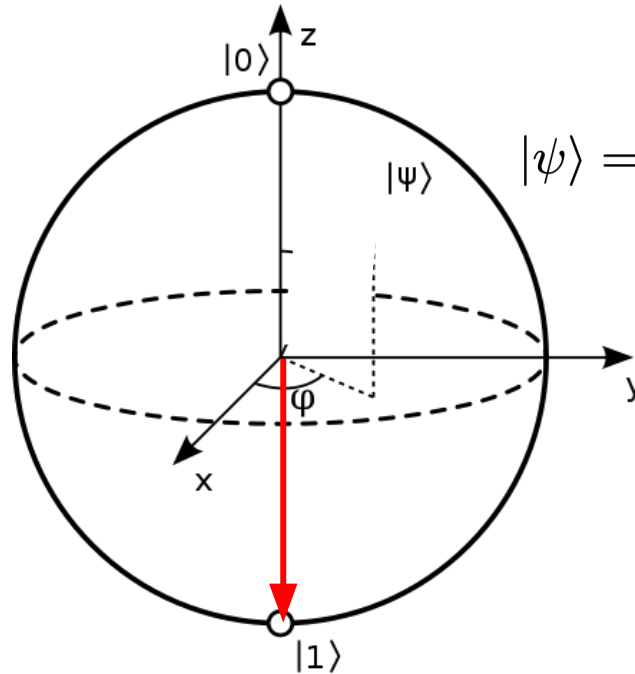
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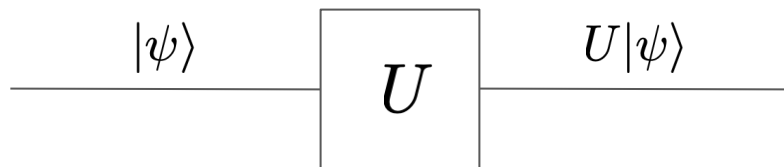
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# Unitary Transformations of a Qubit



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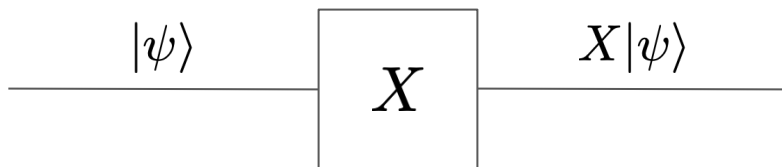
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# 1-Qubit Quantum Gates

quantum Not gate

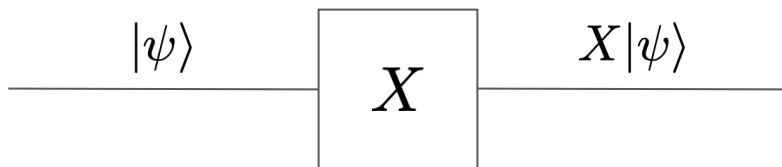


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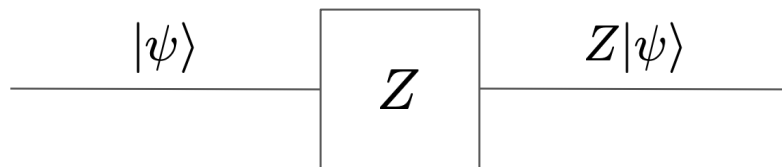
quantum Not gate *acts linearly*



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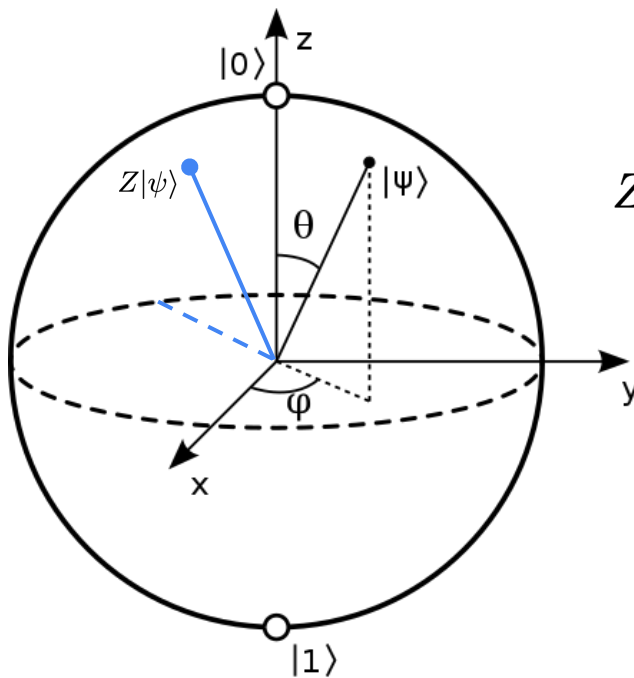
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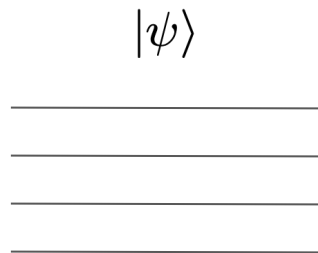
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# The State of Many Qubits

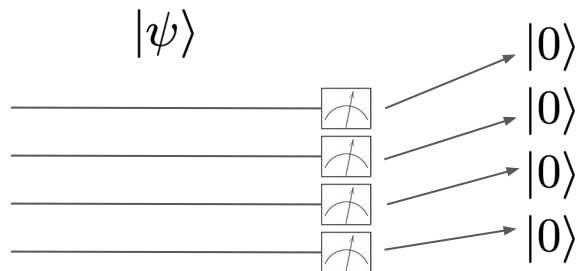
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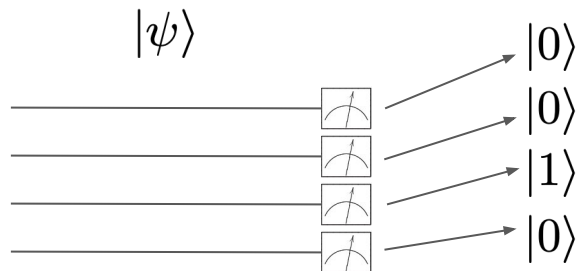


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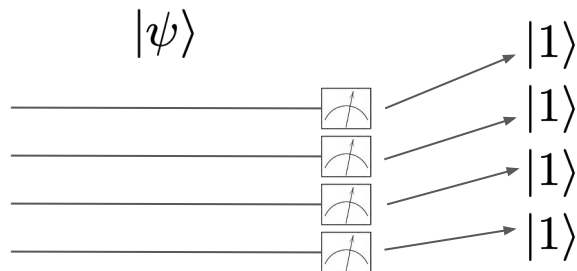


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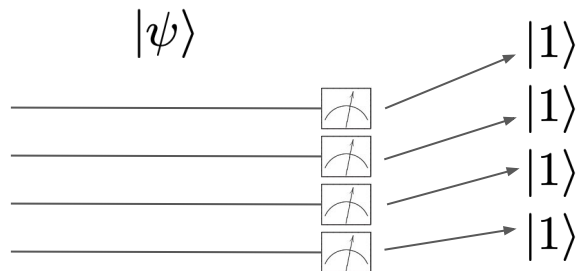
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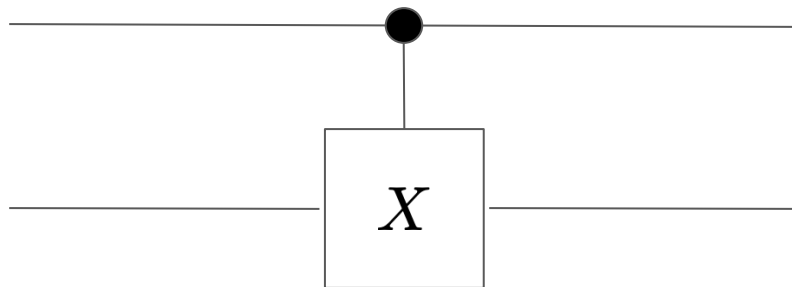


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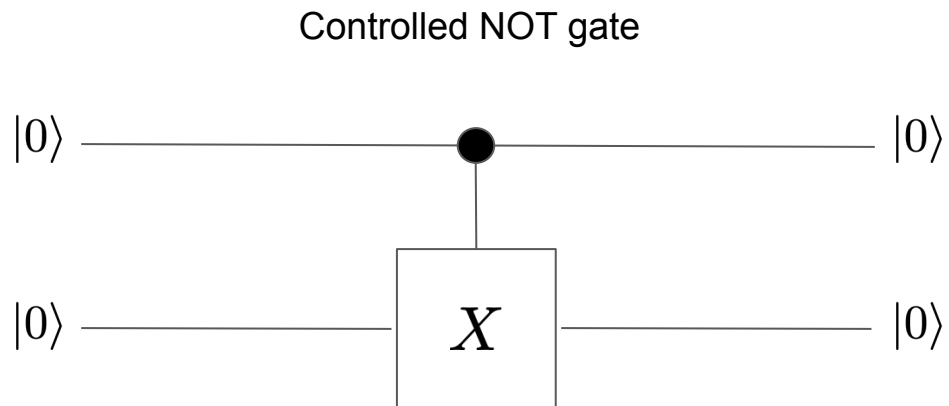
$$\sum_{b \in \{0,1\}^4} |\alpha_b|^2 = 1$$

# Entangling Qubits

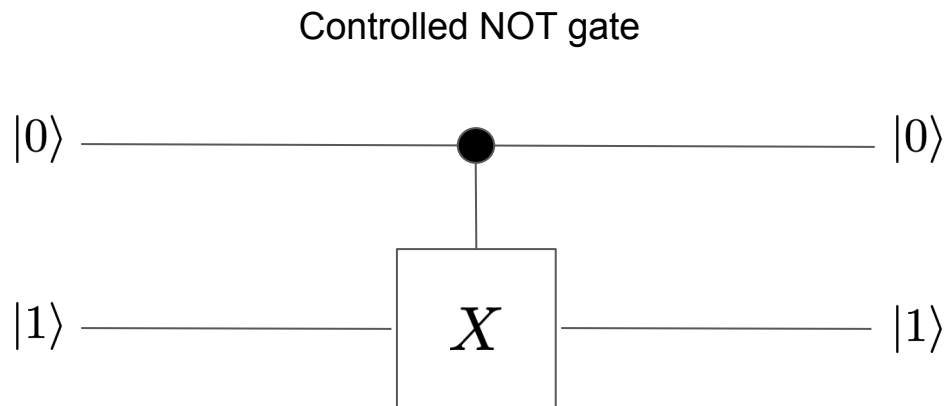
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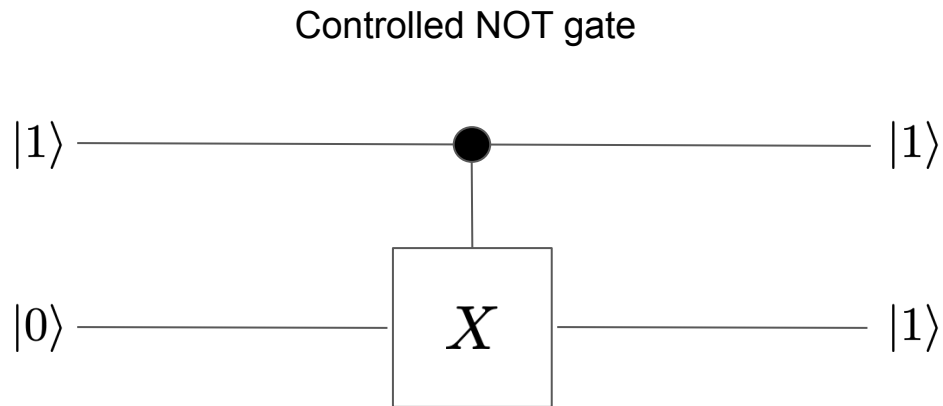
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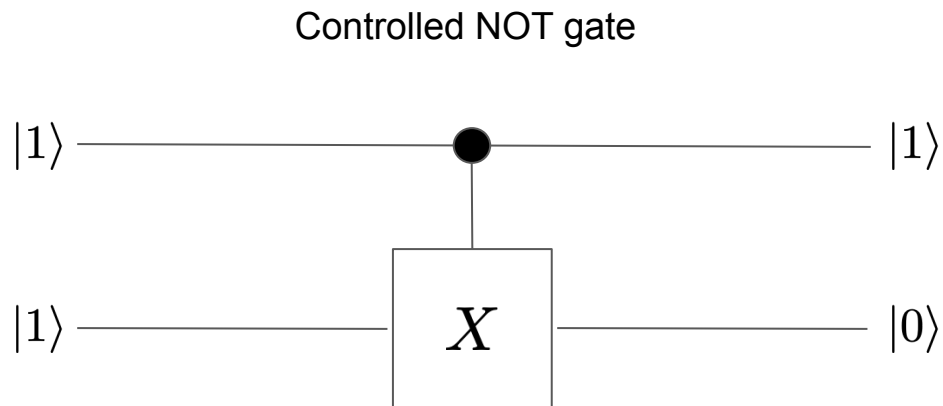
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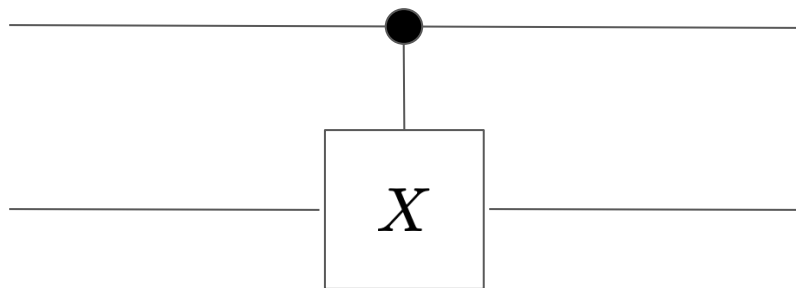


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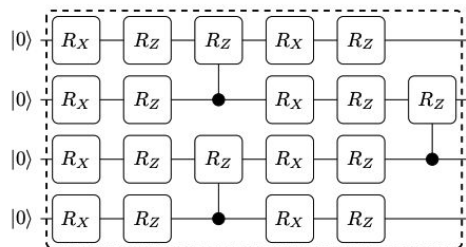
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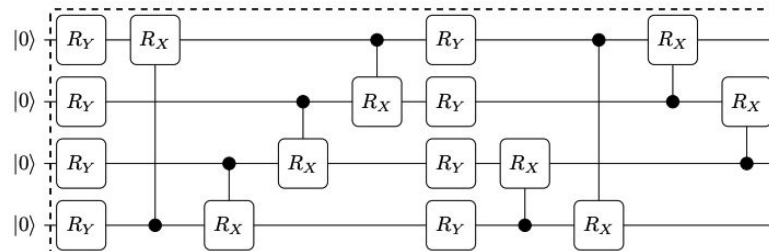


$$CX : \alpha_{00}|00\rangle + \alpha_{01}|01\rangle + \alpha_{10}|10\rangle + \alpha_{11}|11\rangle \mapsto \alpha_{00}|00\rangle + \alpha_{01}|01\rangle + \alpha_{10}|11\rangle + \alpha_{11}|10\rangle$$

# Quantum Circuits



Circuit 7



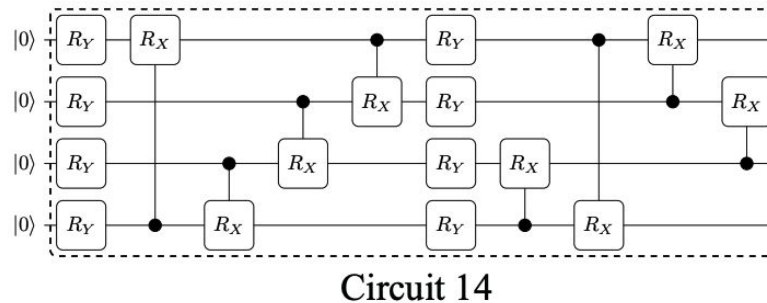
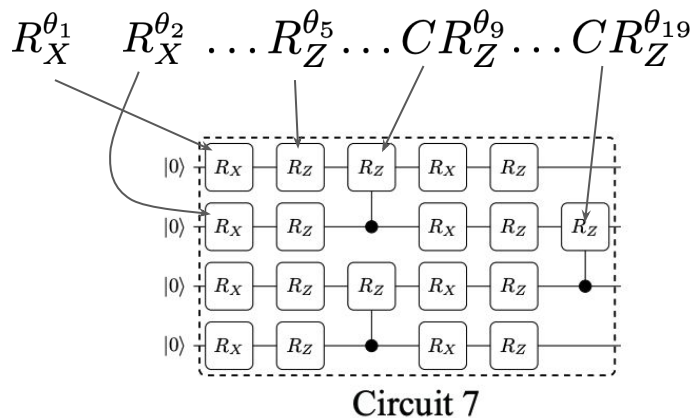
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# Parameterised Quantum Circuits (PQCs)



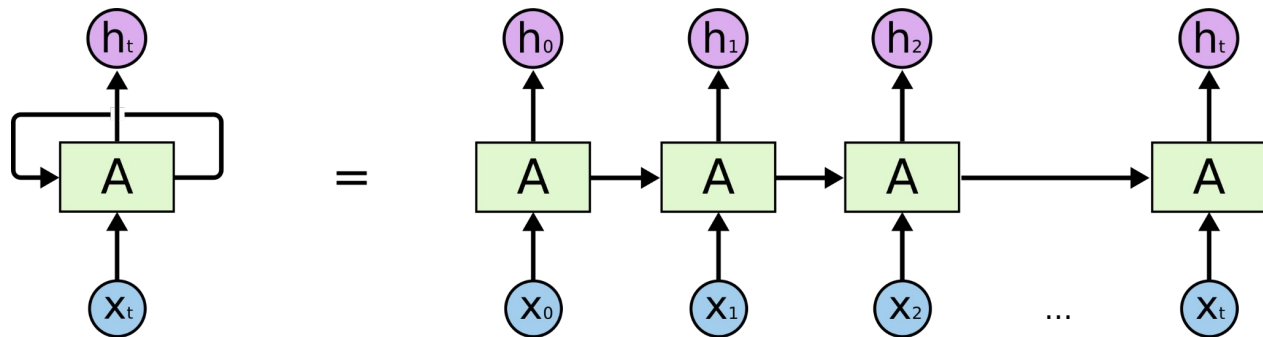
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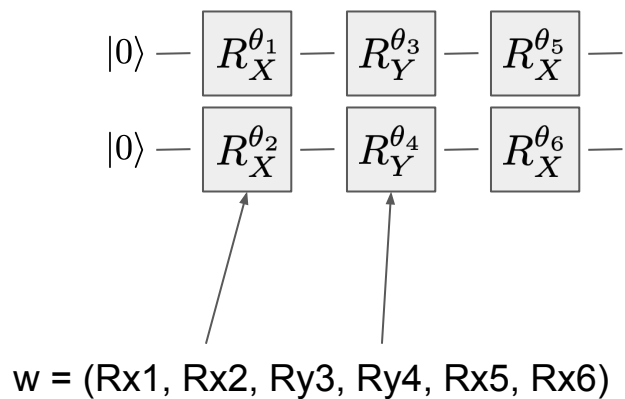
# Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)



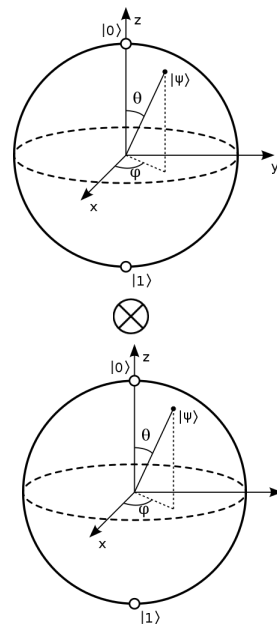
$$h_t = f(x_t \mathbf{U} + h_{t-1} \mathbf{W})$$

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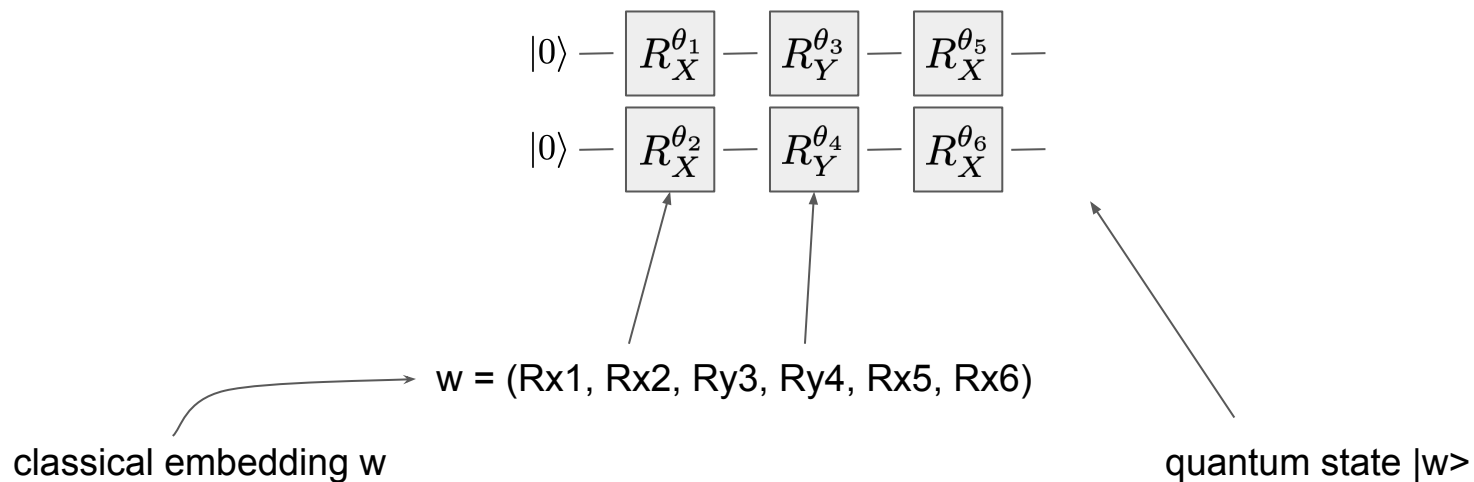
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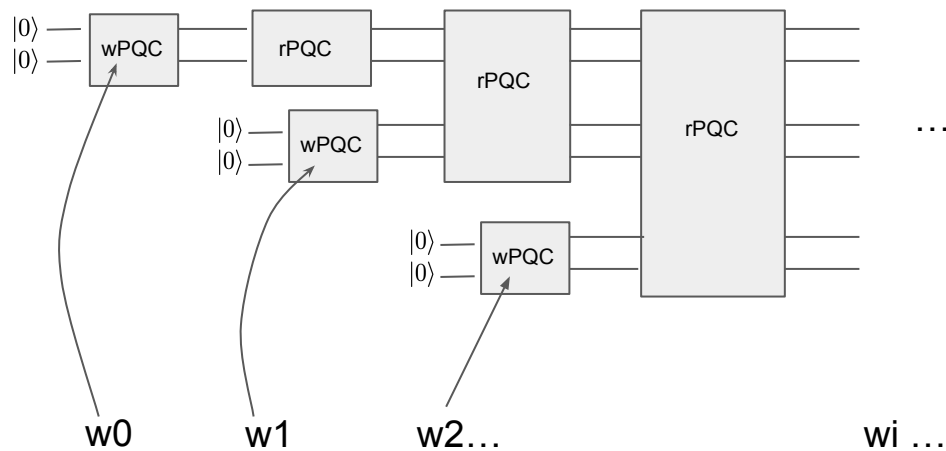
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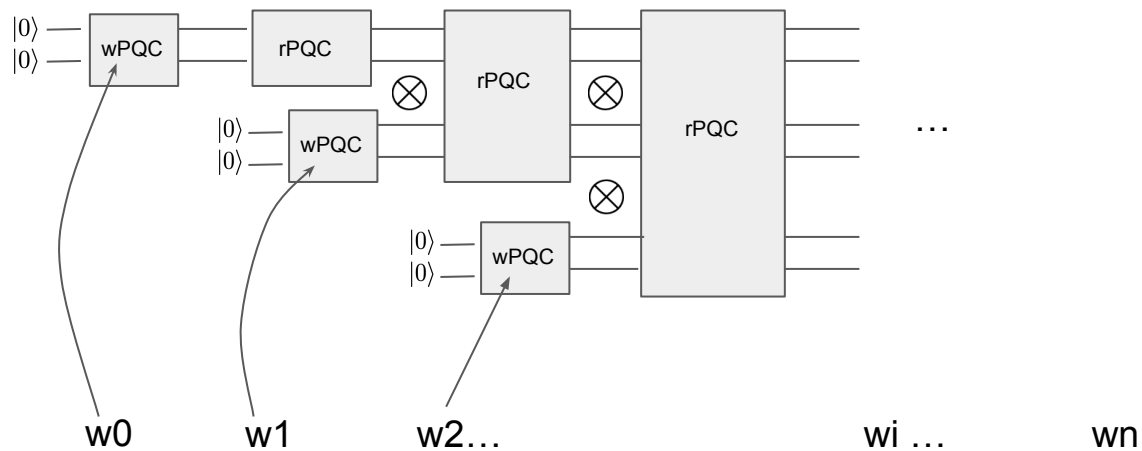
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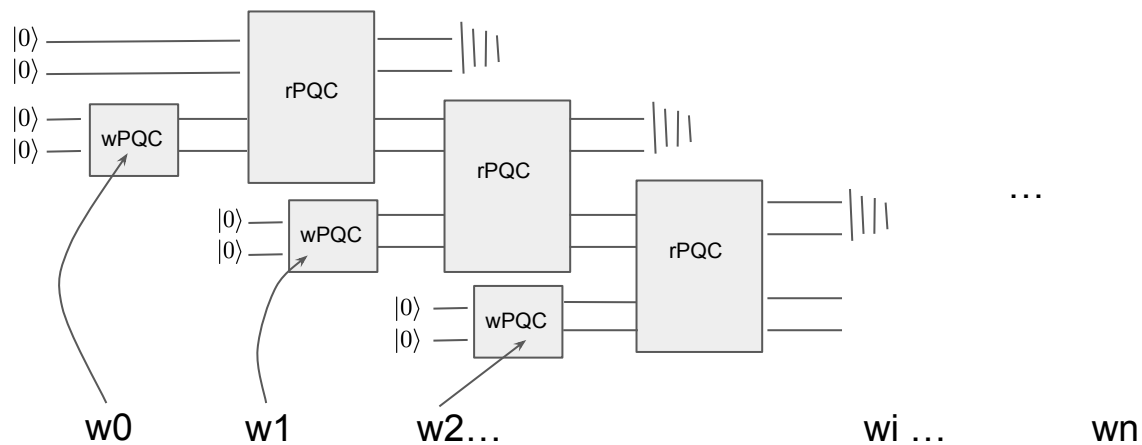
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*tensor product*

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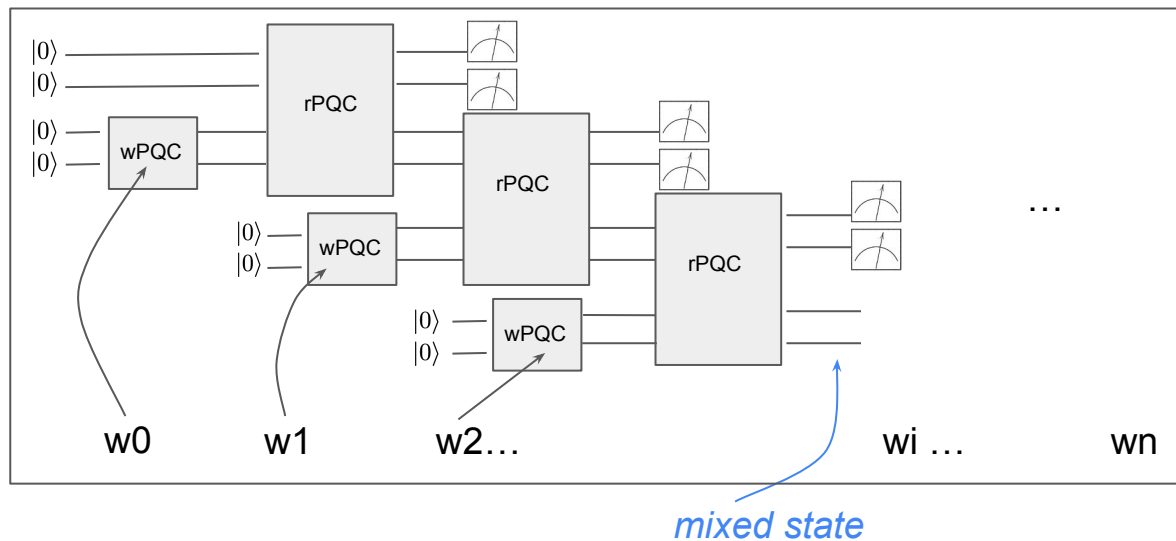
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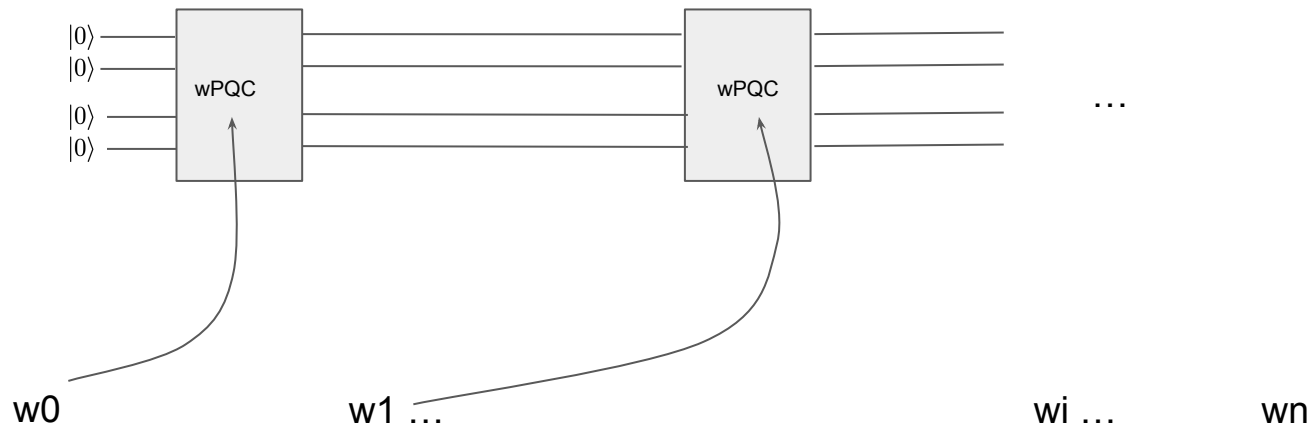


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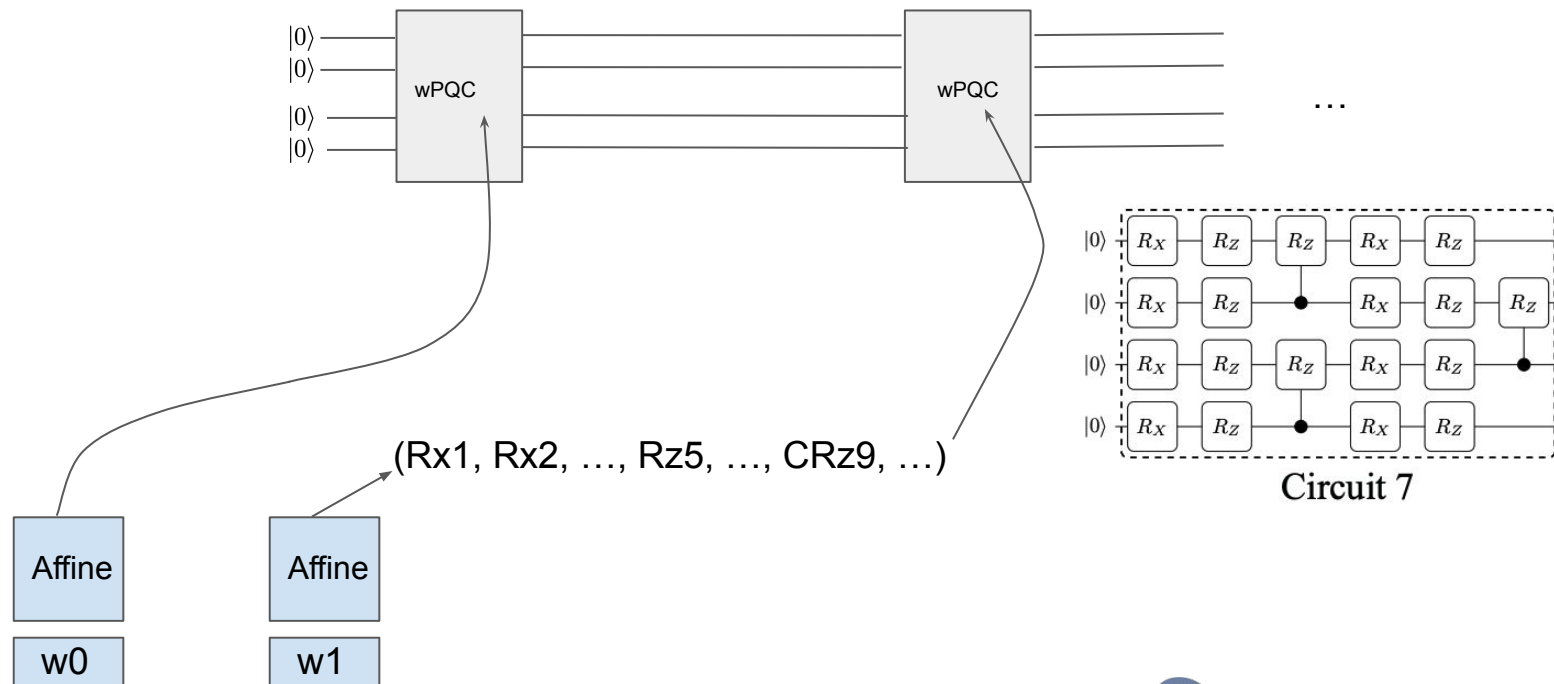
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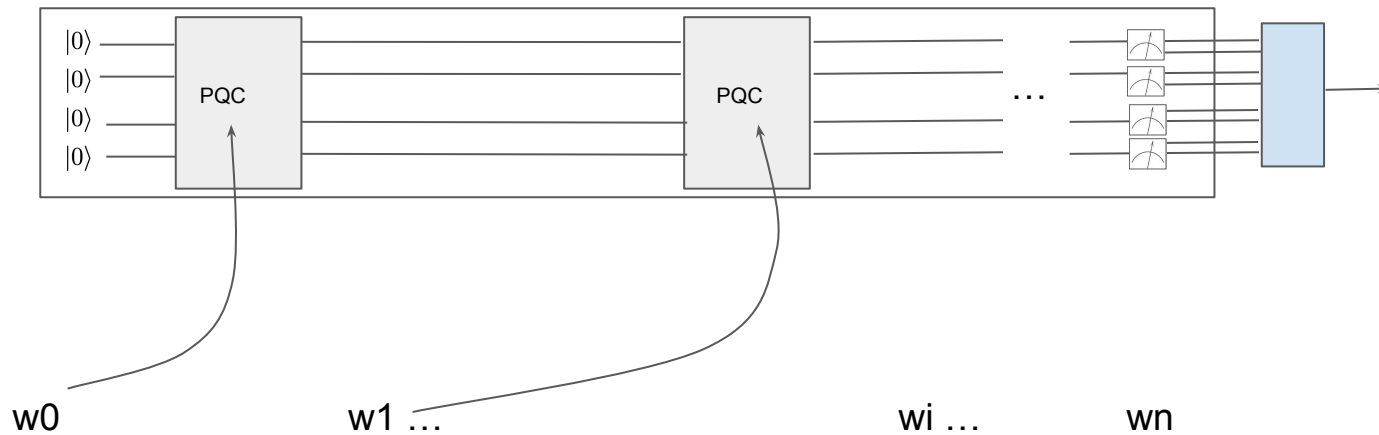
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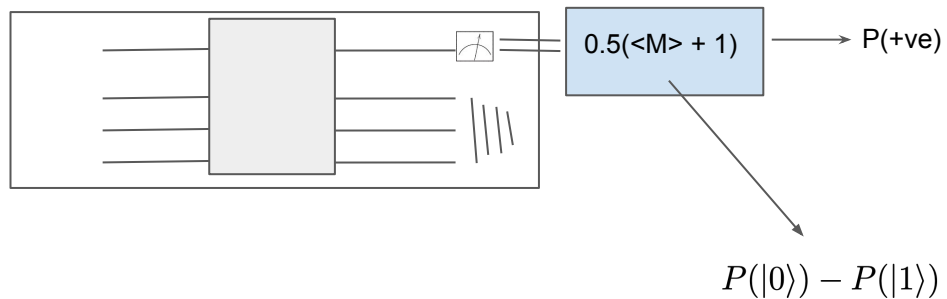
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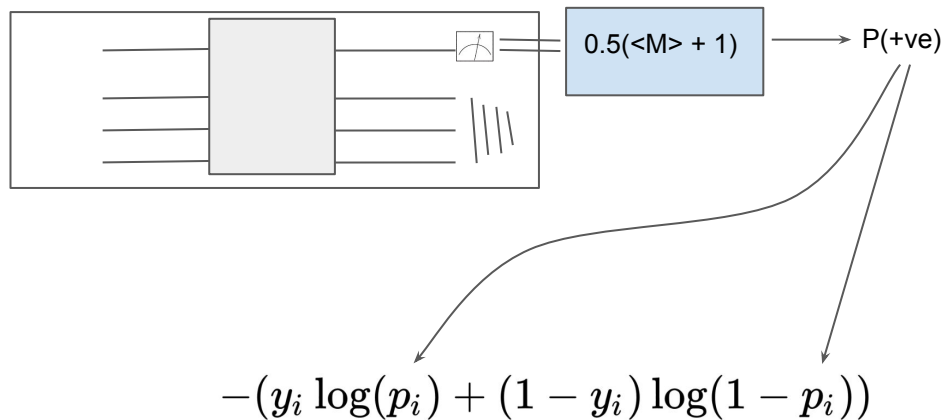
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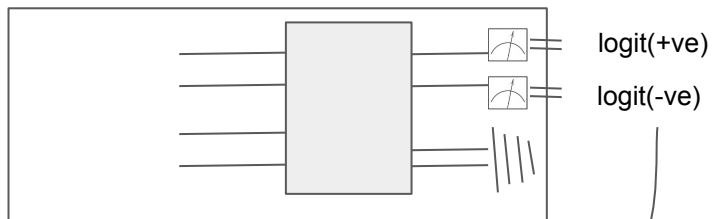
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# Probabilistic Output for Training

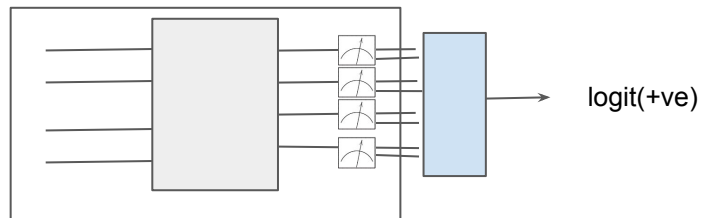


# Logits Output



$$f(s)_i = \frac{e^{s_i}}{\sum_j^C e^{s_j}} \quad CE = - \sum_i^C t_i \log(f(s)_i)$$

# Neural Output





# The Task

- Sentiment analysis (Rotten Tomatoes dataset)
- 8,530 training examples (well balanced); 1,066 dev examples
- Simple binary classification task

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if you sometimes like to go to the movies to have fun , wasabi is a good place to start . 1
emerges as something rare , an issue movie that's so honest and keenly observed that it doesn't feel like one . 1

simplistic , silly and tedious . 0
it's so laddish and juvenile , only teenage boys could possibly find it funny . 0
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## Baseline / Goal

- Goal is *not* to beat the s-o-t-a
- Goal (at this stage) is to be competitive with a classical vanilla RNN

# Hybrid Toolkits



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Quantum



# Hybrid Toolkit

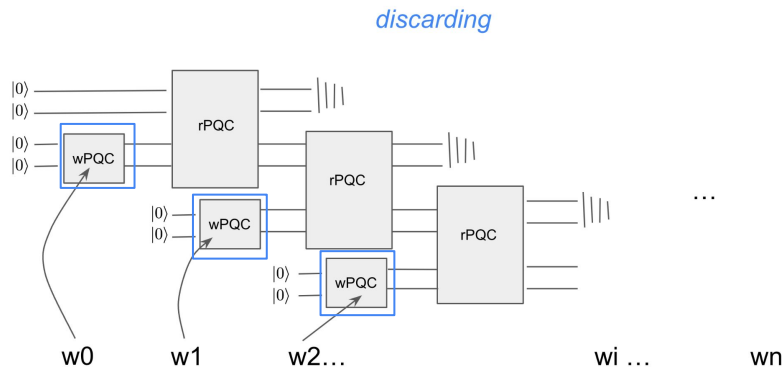
- Requirements for classical simulation:
  - easily interfaces with PyTorch (or TensorFlow, JAX, ...)
  - fast to train on real-world datasets
  - accommodates batching
  - **essentially PyTorch ML library with complex number linear algebra**



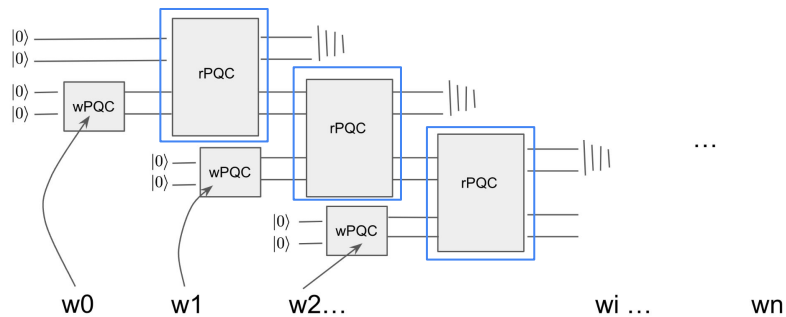
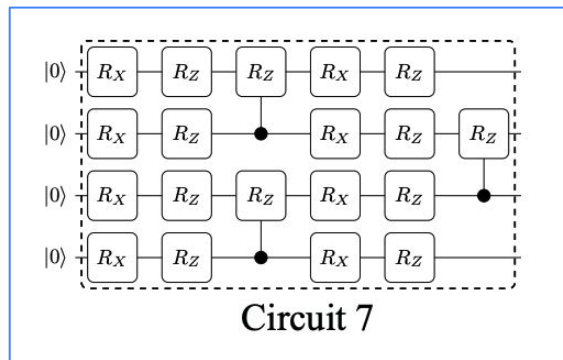
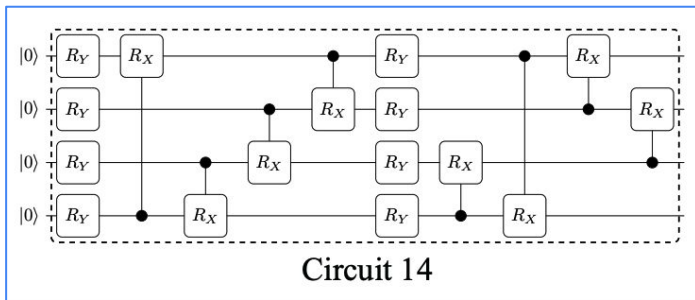
# “Stairs” Architecture in Practice

- We added density matrices to TorchQuantum (for mixed states)
- Choice of PQC:

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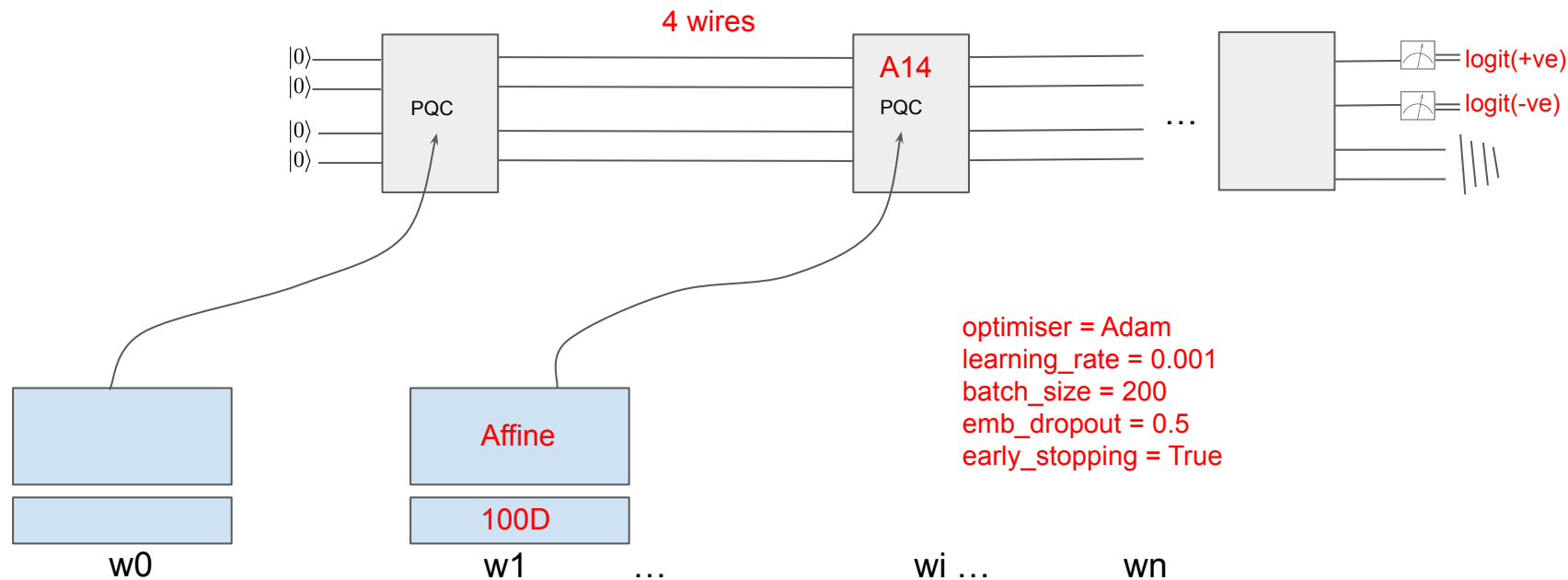
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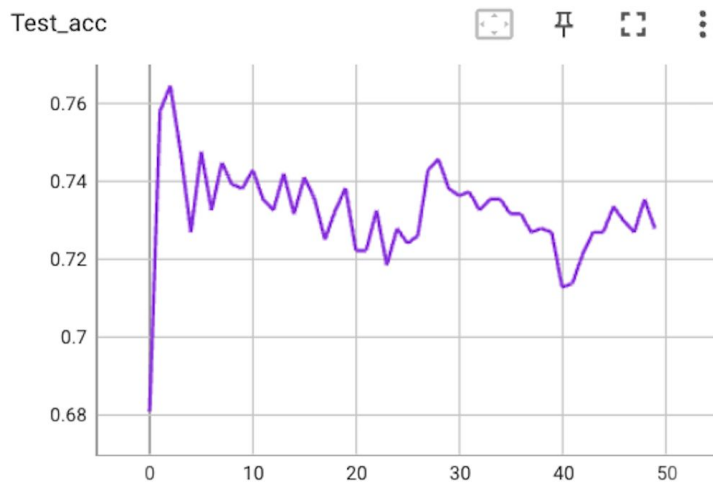


## Results on RT Test Set

4 wires	Acc
Classical RNN	77.2
“Flat”	77.9
“Stairs”	79.5
Classical GRU	78.7
Classical LSTM	79.4
LSTM (Dai and Le, 2015)	79.7



# Learning Curve



NVidia A30 GPU, PyTorch 1.12:

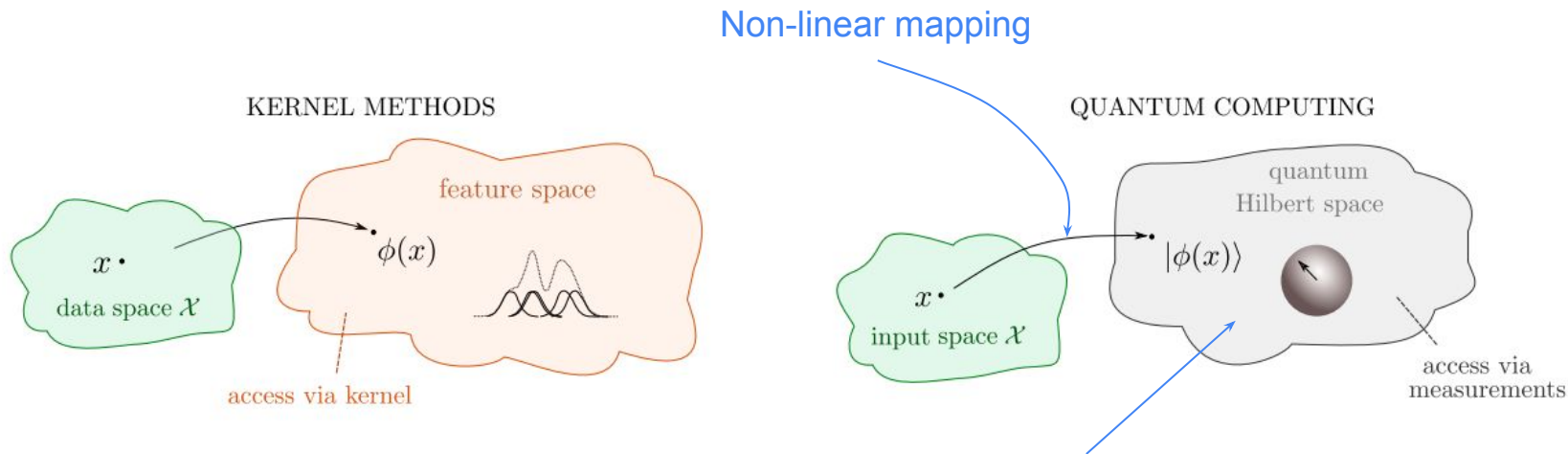
~5 secs / epoch for 1 wire (pure state)

~11 secs / epoch for 2 wires (pure state)

~14 secs / epoch for 4 wires (pure state)

~26 secs / epoch for 8 wires (pure state)

# Where's the (Potential) Advantage?



Linear (unitary) transformations happen in this (potentially very large) space

Supervised quantum machine learning models are kernel methods

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# So What's the Current State of Quantum Hardware?

 QUANTINUUM

**Quantinuum H-Series quantum computer accelerates through 3 more performance records for quantum volume:  $2^{17}$ ,  $2^{18}$ , and  $2^{19}$**

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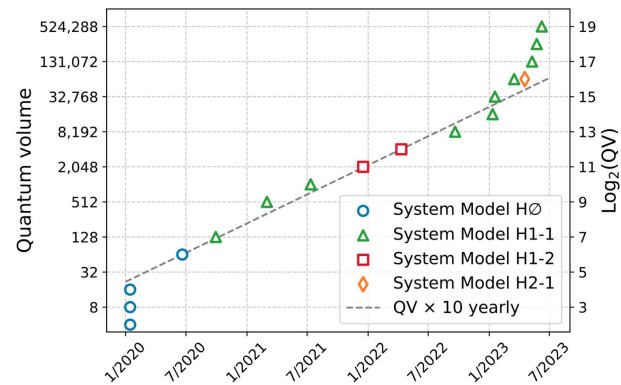
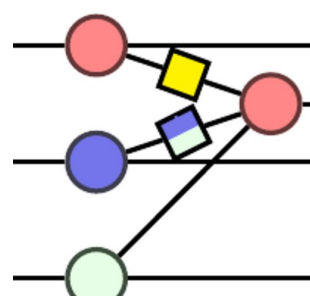
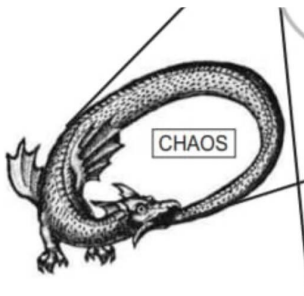
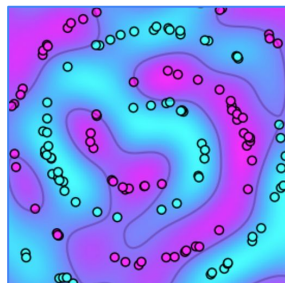
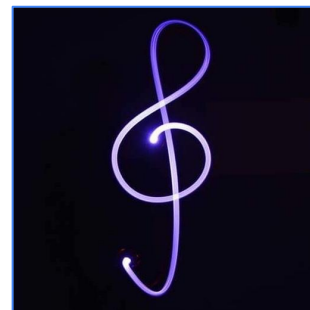


Figure 1: H-series progress quantum volume improvement trajectory

# Future Work

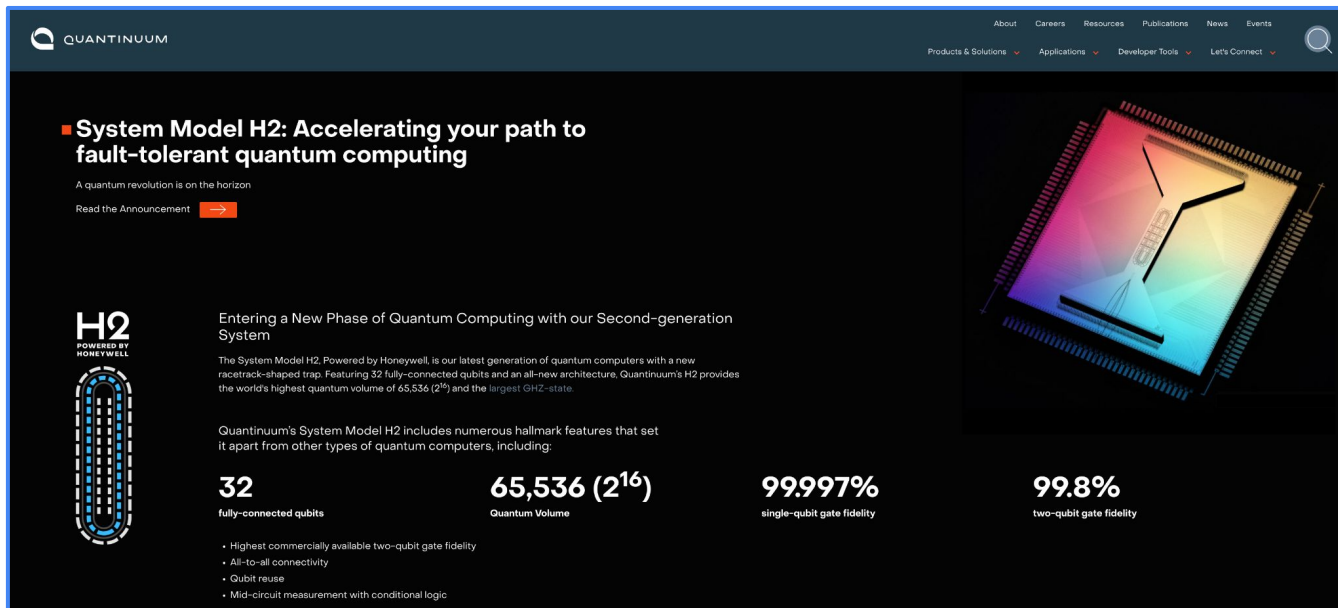
- Apply the models to more tasks
  - sequence labelling, language modelling, translation, ...
- Apply pre-training / fine-tuning paradigm
- Develop more hybrid architectures
  - based on CNNs (e.g. MERA-like), transformers, ...
- Run on quantum hardware

# The Oxford Hybrid NLP Team



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# The Future is (Almost) Here




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A quantum revolution is on the horizon

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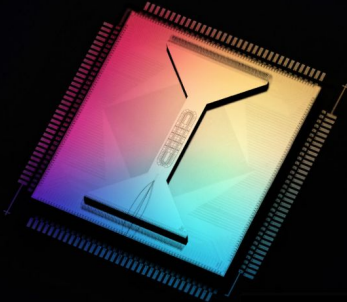
Entering a New Phase of Quantum Computing with our Second-generation System

The System Model H2, Powered by Honeywell, is our latest generation of quantum computers with a new racetrack-shaped trap. Featuring 32 fully-connected qubits and an all-new architecture, Quantinuum's H2 provides the world's highest quantum volume of 65,536 ( $2^{16}$ ) and the largest GHz state.

Quantinuum's System Model H2 includes numerous hallmark features that set it apart from other types of quantum computers, including:

- Highest commercially available two-qubit gate fidelity
- All-to-all connectivity
- Qubit reuse
- Mid-circuit measurement with conditional logic

<b>32</b> fully-connected qubits	<b>65,536 (<math>2^{16}</math>)</b> Quantum Volume	<b>99.997%</b> single-qubit gate fidelity	<b>99.8%</b> two-qubit gate fidelity
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