

# Title

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2-Qubits with spins

At the beginning most things here can be done analytically. You can still try to program them if you like.

Consider two spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particles  $a$  and  $b$  with Hamiltonian

$$H = H_B + H_J + H_{By} \tag{1}$$

$$H_B = -B (S_{az} + S_{bz})$$

$$H_{By} = -B_y S_{by}$$

$$H_J = JS_{az}S_{bz}$$

( $S_{az}$  is the  $z$  component of the spin of particle  $a$ , etc.)

later, we will use the spin-rotation invariant interaction

$$H'_J = J\mathbf{S}_a \cdot \mathbf{S}_b$$

The two spins represent qubits with the rule

$$|0\rangle = \left| +\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \quad |1\rangle = \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \tag{2}$$

for both particles. We work with  $\hbar = 1$

## Realisation of C-phase gate

We first want a process producing the so-called C-phase gate, which maps

$$\begin{aligned} |0x\rangle &\rightarrow e^{i\phi} |0x\rangle \\ |1x\rangle &\rightarrow e^{i\phi}(-1)^x |0x\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

here  $|xy\rangle$  is a two-qubit register in which  $x \in (0, 1)$  is the state of the first spin and  $y \in (0, 1)$  is the one of the second spin.  $\phi$  is an arbitrary common phase which is immaterial for a quantum state.

The transformation 3 can be realized by time evolution of the Hamiltonian 1, whereby  $B$  is switched on for a time  $t_B$  and  $J$  for a time  $t_J$ , while  $B_y = 0$ . Find  $t_B$  and  $t_J$

Try the same using  $H'_J$  instead of  $H_J$  (I don't know the answer)

### Realisation of C-not gate

Show that a C-not gate is realized by first carrying a rotation of  $\pi/2$  around the  $y$  axis, which is produced by switching on  $B_y$  for a certain time  $t_y$ , then carrying out the C-phase as above, and then reversing the  $B_y$  field for the same time  $t_y$ .

The C-not maps

$$|0x\rangle \rightarrow |0x\rangle \quad |1x\rangle \rightarrow |1NOT(x)\rangle$$

### Reduced density operator as a measure of entanglement

Given a normalized two-spin state  $|\Psi\rangle$ , the reduced density operator on the space of the second spin is given by

$$\rho = Tr_1 |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$$

where  $Tr_1$  is the trace over the degrees of freedom of the first spin.

The von Neumann entropy is given by

$$S = -\text{tr}\rho \ln \rho$$

For the following initial states, write  $\rho$  as a  $2 \times 2$  matrix and evaluate the entropy before and after the c-not or c-phase transformation and evaluate the entropy (be careful about normalisation!):

$$|00\rangle$$

$$|10\rangle$$

$$|00\rangle + |10\rangle$$

$|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle$

Next step: effect of environment on two-qubit gate, Lindblad approach

TODO