

This paper shows a simple case of entanglement. It follows

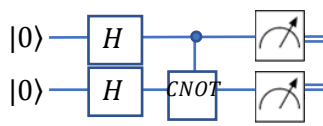
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Entanglement


We use the following circuit:



Qubit in state zero $|0\rangle$

Hadamard gate 

CNOT gate 

Measuring 

Note: Single lines denote qubits.

Note: Double lines denote classical bits.

Conceptual level

We start with the state $|00\rangle = |0\rangle|0\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$.

The Hadamard acting on the first qubit:

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)(|0\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

Note: After the first Hadamard, the first qubit is in superposition.

The Hadamard acting on the second qubit:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |10\rangle) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{2}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

Note: After the Hadamards, both qubits are in superposition.

If we measure the first qubit, we get with a probability of $\frac{1}{4}$ each:

$$|00\rangle \text{ or } |01\rangle \text{ or } |10\rangle \text{ or } |11\rangle$$

Summing up for the first qubit $|0\rangle$ we get the probability of $\frac{1}{2}$ and the same probability for $|1\rangle$.

Note: This is the conditional probability:

$$P(\text{first qubit} = |0\rangle) \text{ under the condition that } (\text{second qubit} = |1\rangle)$$

We calculate:

$$\frac{P(\text{first qubit} = |0\rangle \text{ and } (\text{second qubit} = |1\rangle))}{P(\text{second qubit} = |1\rangle)} = \frac{1/4}{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

The same holds if we measure the second qubit.

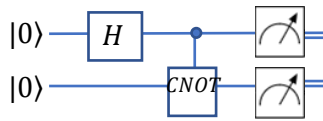
Result: The qubits are independent.

We apply the CNOT-gate on qubit 2:

$$\frac{1}{2}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |11\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

With the exception of a permutation nothing happens.

We change the circuit:



The Hadamard acting on the first qubit:

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

The CNOT-gate acting on the second qubit:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |10\rangle) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

The two qubits are entangled. Entanglement is a special case of superposition.

- If we measure the first qubit and get the result 0, measuring the second qubit also gives the result 0.
- If we measure the first qubit and get the result 1, measuring the second qubit also gives the result 1.

This holds whether we measure the second qubit at a later time or at another place.

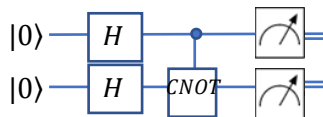
Note: Entanglement does not hold for eternity. Typical times you may find at

<https://phys.org/news/2022-09-longest-quantum-standard-silicon-chip.html>

that are up to now in the range of milliseconds.

Basic level

We use the following circuit:



We start with the state

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the first pair of Hadamards.

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

We get:

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: We can apply $H \otimes Id$ and $Id \otimes H$ giving the same result:

$$H \otimes Id = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Id \otimes H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the *CNOT* -gate.

	00	01	10	11
00	1	0	0	0
01	0	1	0	0
10	0	0	0	1
11	0	0	1	0

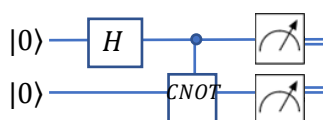
We get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Note: These are the four basis vectors we already got from the conceptual level.

We change the circuit:



We start with the state

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the first Hadamard.

Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $H \otimes I$ onto $|00\rangle$:

$$H \otimes I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the CNOT and get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

These are the two basis vectors $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$. The mixed vectors $|01\rangle$ and $|10\rangle$ vanished. The qubits are entangled.

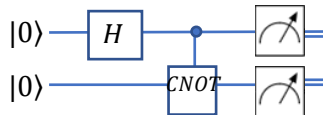
Bell states

The state $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$ is one of the four maximally entangled Bell states. Usually they are written as:

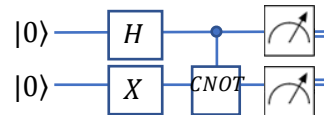
$ \Phi^+\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(00\rangle + 11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$
$ \Phi^-\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(00\rangle - 11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$
$ \Psi^+\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(01\rangle + 10\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$
$ \Psi^-\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(01\rangle - 10\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$

Circuits creating the four Bell states

Bell state $|\Phi^+\rangle$:

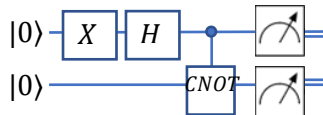


Bell state $|\Psi^+\rangle$:



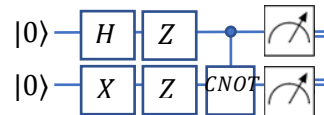
Note: X is the Pauli X-gate.

Bell state $|\Phi^-\rangle$:



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Bell state $|\Psi^-\rangle$:



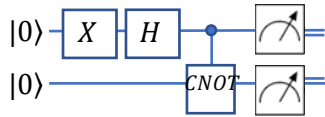
Note: Z is the Pauli Z-gate.

Creating Bell states on conceptual level

Bell state $|\Phi^+\rangle$

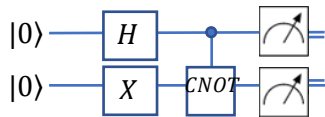
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Bell state $|\Phi^-\rangle$



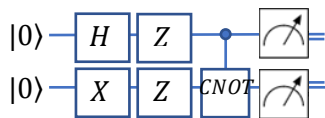
$$|00\rangle \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} X & H \\ & CNOT \end{matrix}} |10\rangle \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)(|0\rangle)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |10\rangle) \xrightarrow{CNOT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

Bell state $|\Psi^+\rangle$



$$|00\rangle \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} X & H \\ & CNOT \end{matrix}} |01\rangle \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)(|1\rangle)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |11\rangle) \xrightarrow{CNOT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

Bell state $|\Psi^-\rangle$



$$|00\rangle \xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} \text{qubit 2 } X & \text{qubit 1 } H \\ & \text{qubit 1 } Z & \text{qubit 2 } Z \\ & & CNOT \end{matrix}} |01\rangle \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)(|1\rangle)} \xrightarrow{\text{qubit 1 } Z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)(|1\rangle) \xrightarrow{\text{qubit 2 } Z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)(-|1\rangle) \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-|01\rangle + |11\rangle) \xrightarrow{\text{qubit 2 } CNOT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-|01\rangle + |10\rangle) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

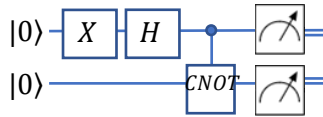
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Creating Bell states on basic level

Bell state $|\Phi^+\rangle$

... is already done.

Bell state $|\Phi^-\rangle$



We start with the state

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the Pauli X -gate. Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $X \otimes I$ onto $|00\rangle$:

$$X \otimes I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the Hadamard. Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $H \otimes I$:

$$H \otimes I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

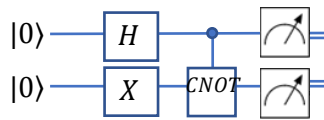
We get:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the CNOT and get:

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Bell state $|\Psi^+\rangle$



We start with the state

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We apply the Pauli X -gate. Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $I \otimes X$ onto $|00\rangle$:

$$I \otimes X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the Hadamard. Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $H \otimes I$:

$$H \otimes I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: We can apply $H \otimes X$ giving the same result:

$$H \otimes X = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

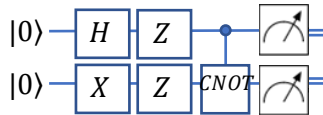
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Note: This holds for the other pairs too.

We apply the CNOT and get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Bell state $|\Psi^-\rangle$



We start with the state

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the Pauli X-gate. Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $I \otimes X$ onto $|00\rangle$:

$$I \otimes X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the Hadamard. Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $H \otimes I$:

$$H \otimes I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the upper Pauli Z-gate.

Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $Z \otimes I$:

$$Z \otimes I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We apply the lower Pauli Z-gate.

Note: In fact, we apply the Kronecker product $I \otimes Z$:

$$I \otimes Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: We can apply $Z \otimes Z$ giving the same result:

$$Z \otimes Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: The “minus” in front of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ is a global phase that has no effect on the measurement of single qubits.

Note: Working with the Kronecker product $Z \otimes Z$ leads to the correct result without the need of changing the global phase.

We apply the CNOT and get:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$