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4 Two Formulations of the Uncertainty Principle

A. The Heisenberg inequality for noise ϵ and disturbance η :

$$\epsilon(A)\eta(B) \geq \frac{1}{2}|\text{Tr}[[A, B]\rho]|$$

B. The Kennard-Robertson inequality for standard deviation σ :

$$\sigma(A)\sigma(B) \geq \frac{1}{2}|\text{Tr}[[A, B]\rho]|$$

5 Wigner-Araki-Yanase (WAY) Theorem:

Any observable which does not commute with an additively conserved quantity cannot be measured with absolute precision.

CAVEAT: The WAY theorem

1. does not conclude a superselection rule (unmeasurability of observables non-commuting with a conserved quantity).
2. merely sets the accuracy limit of the measurement with size limited apparatus in the presence of conserved quantities.

6 Yanase's Bound:

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$$(ii) [M, L_x] = 0,$$

then we have

$$\max_{\rho} \epsilon(S_z)^2 \geq \sim \frac{\hbar^4}{16\langle L_x^2 \rangle},$$

where S_j is the j -component of the object spin and L_j is the j -component of the angular momentum of the apparatus.

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13 Implementations of Quantum Gates

Let G be a quantum gate on $\mathcal{H} = \mathbf{C}^n$. An implementation of G is a triple $\alpha = (\mathcal{K}, U, \xi)$ such that

- (i) \mathcal{K} is a Hilbert space,
- (ii) U is a unitary operator on $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K}$,
- (iii) ξ is a unit vector in \mathcal{K} .

An implementation $\alpha = (\mathcal{K}, U, \xi)$ defines an operation \mathcal{E}_α by

$$\mathcal{E}_\alpha(\rho) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{K}}[U^\dagger(\rho \otimes |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|)U].$$

The gate fidelity of α is defined by

$$F(\mathcal{E}_\alpha, G) = \inf_{\psi} \langle \psi | G^\dagger \mathcal{E}_\alpha(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) G | \psi \rangle.$$

The error probability of α is defined by

$$P_e = 1 - F(\mathcal{E}_\alpha, G)^2.$$

The conserved quantity of α is $L_1 \otimes I + I \otimes L_2$ such that

$$[U, L_1 \otimes I + I \otimes L_2] = 0.$$

14 Limitation on Quantum State Control due to Conservation Laws

Theorem: The error probability of any implementation of the Hadamard gate H on a spin qubit satisfying the angular momentum conservation law with n qubit separable controller is no less than $1/4(n+1)$ and the one with entangled controller is no less than $1/4(n^2 + 1)$.

Remark: Any implementations of self-adjoint gates (Hadamard gate, NOT gate), CNOT gate, Fredkin gate, and Toffoli gate have similar error probability. However, SWAP gate has no constraint.

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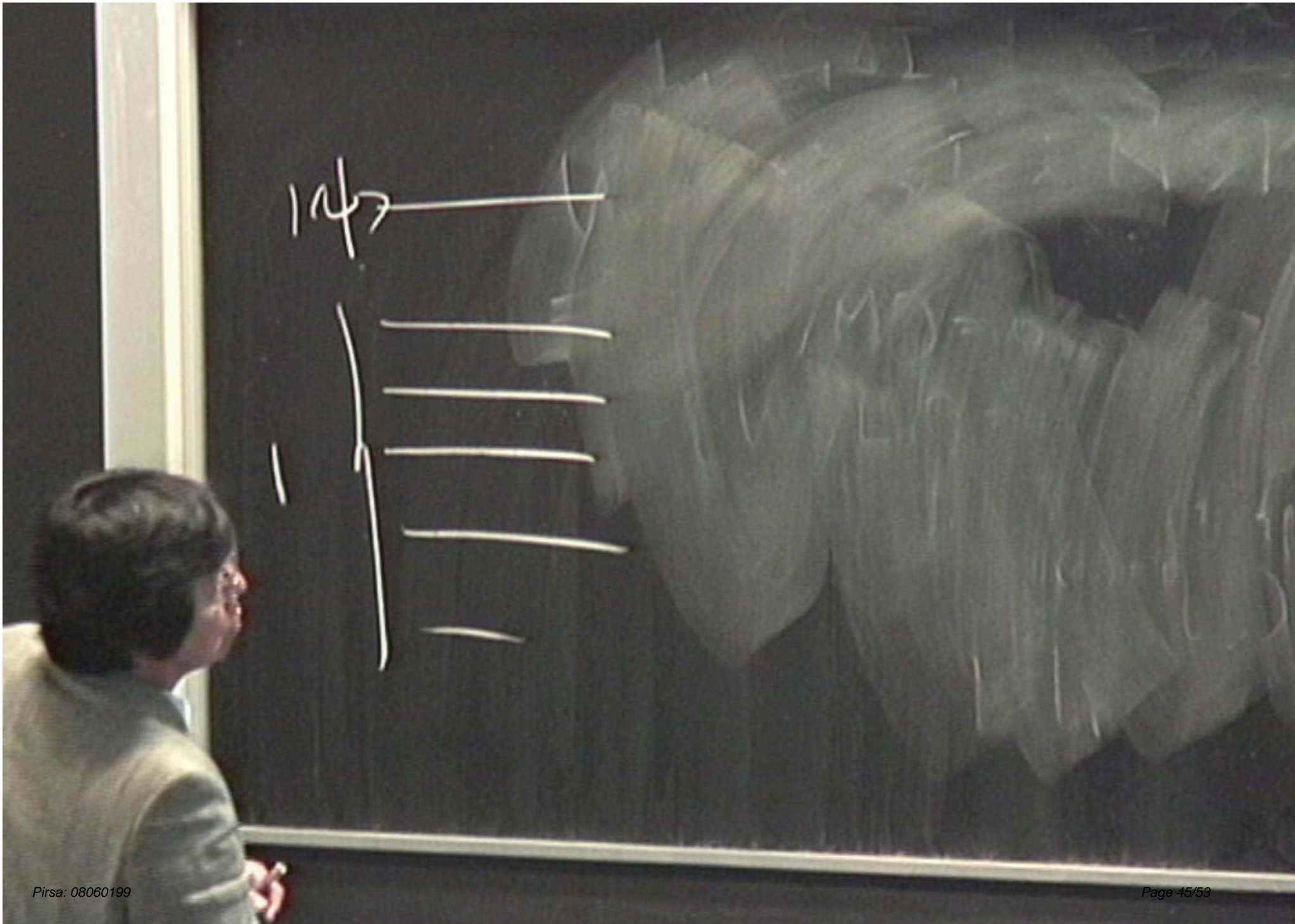
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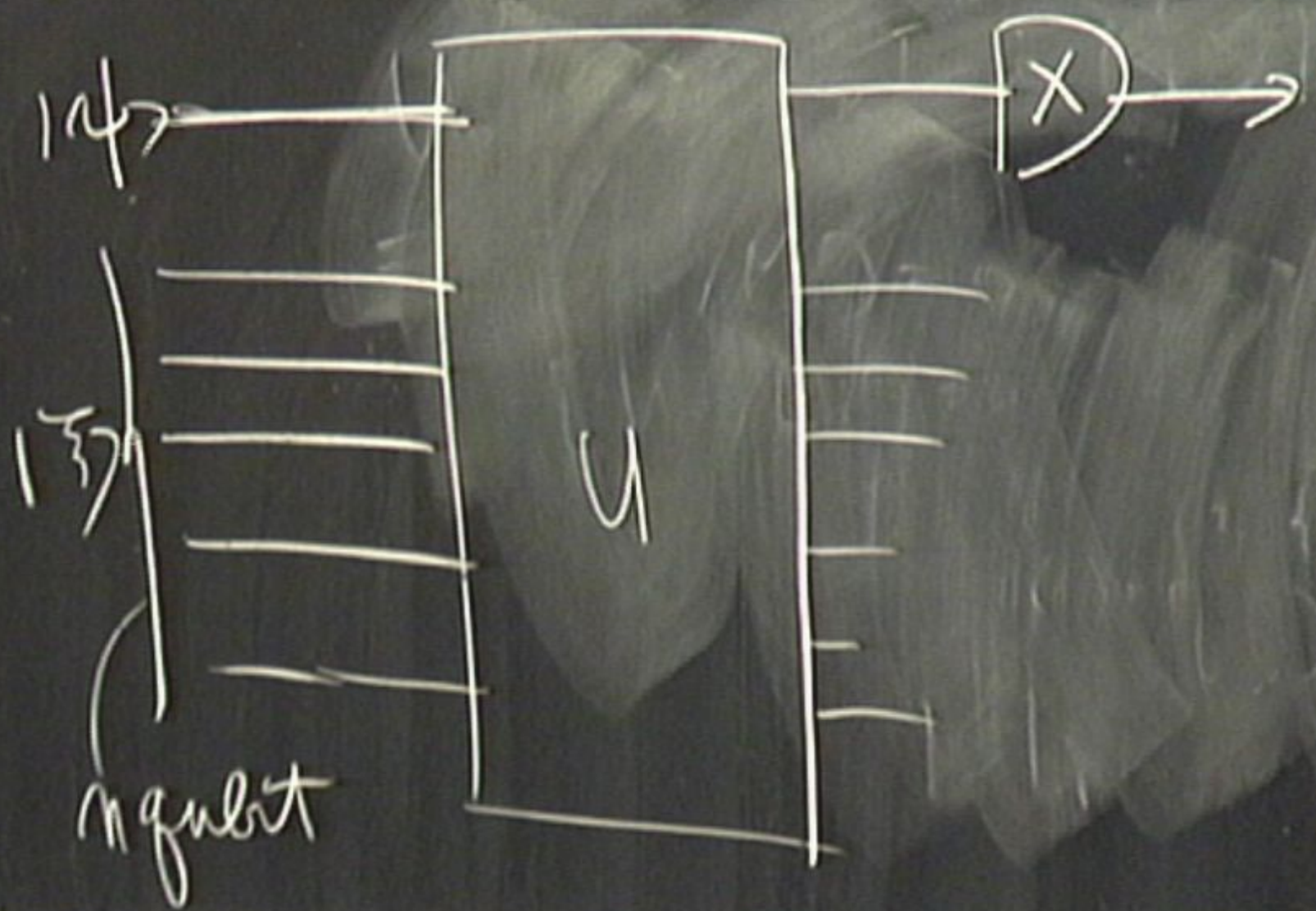
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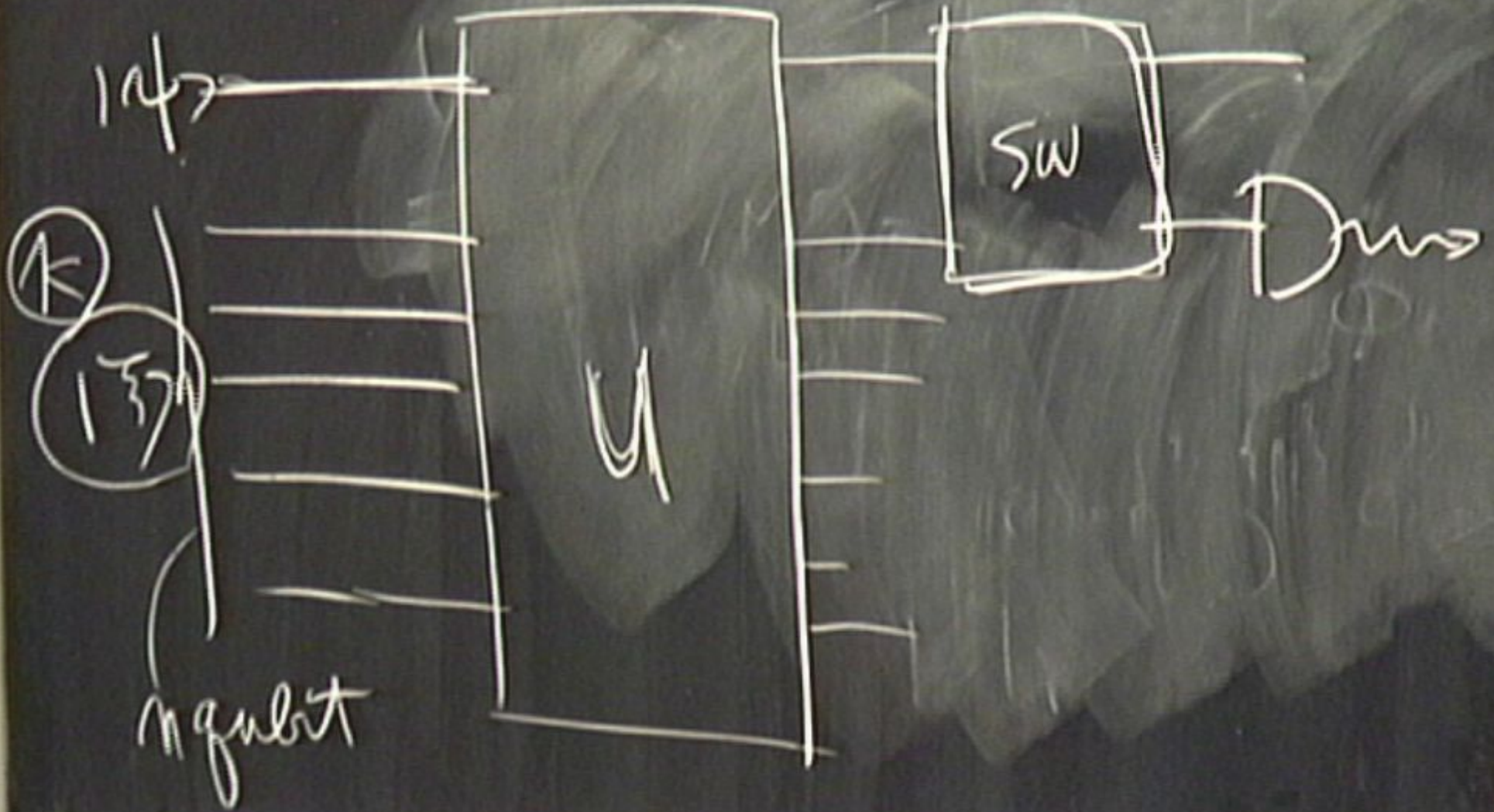
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