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 Disciplina 4 lectures on quantum computing; Lecture 1 part 1
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Lecture 1: The framework of quantum computing

- the main idea: "can we use quantum mechanics to solve computational problems?"

- Why?: "Quantum advantage"

this is the key point for the entire business.

making formidable tasks more manageable

- <u>HOW?</u>: <u>classical computing</u> ↓ <u>classical BIT</u> {0, 1} ↓ <u>classical physics</u>	⇒	<u>Quantum computing</u> ↓ <u>Qubit</u> {$0\rangle$, $1\rangle$} ↓ <u>Quantum Physics</u>
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Plan of Today :

- Refresh of Q.M.: bits vs qubits

- states
- measurement
- Evolution

- The circuit model: gates

- Entanglement & some applications:

- Teleportation
- (Quantum game)
- (superdense coding)

Quantum computing Mechanics refreshments

- classical information: it is based on bits $\{0, 1\}$

number of bits
 $\rightarrow 010, 011, 001 \rightarrow 8$ possible states

- Quantum information:

$\rightarrow \{0, 1\} \Rightarrow$ "qubit": a 2 level system $\Rightarrow \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

The main quantum feature:

SUPERPOSITION PRINCIPLE

"classical states"

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

BLOCH SPHERE



"Amplitudes" $\rightarrow \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$\rightarrow$ a much richer setup $\Rightarrow$ 3 real numbers

How to deal with multiple qubits??

$\rightarrow$ Tensor product $\Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2 = \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_1 = \mathcal{H}^{\otimes 2}$

$\Rightarrow$ possible "classical states":

$\begin{Bmatrix} |00\rangle \\ |01\rangle \\ |10\rangle \\ |11\rangle \end{Bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow |\psi\rangle = \alpha_0|00\rangle + \alpha_1|01\rangle + \alpha_2|10\rangle + \alpha_3|11\rangle$$

$$|\alpha_0|^2 + |\alpha_1|^2 + |\alpha_2|^2 + |\alpha_3|^2 = 1$$

$|ij\rangle$ are orthonormal:

$$\langle ij | kl \rangle = \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl}$$

in general: n qubits $\Rightarrow N = 2^n$ "classical states"

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

normal

Now we have a state, What do we do with it? Measure it?
Evolve it?

⇒ Measurements (there is much more to say about it, here we just consider the simplest case).

→ Measurements in the computational basis

suppose we have: $|\psi\rangle = \alpha_0 |00\rangle + \alpha_1 |01\rangle + \alpha_2 |10\rangle + \alpha_3 |11\rangle$
superposition

⇒ If we measure the state → we will see a classical OUTCOME

⇒ we will see one among $\begin{Bmatrix} |00\rangle \\ |01\rangle \\ |10\rangle \\ |11\rangle \end{Bmatrix}$ which one?
↓
Probabilistic

$P(|00\rangle) = |\alpha_0|^2$ and so on ⇒ we see why $\sum_i |\alpha_i|^2 = 1$

notice: α_i are NOT probabilities

↓
→ $|\alpha_i|^2$ are probabilities
loss information (you miss the phases)

↑
we have to observe something

⇒ In a sense: All the Magic of QC is on this

simple fact: Q.C. is more than

Probabilistic computing exactly for the

Presence of these phases.

Evolution of states

operation
(linear, given the axioms of quantum mechanics)

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha_0|0\rangle + \dots + \alpha_{N-1}|N-1\rangle \xrightarrow{\hat{U}} |\psi'\rangle = \beta_0|0\rangle + \dots + \beta_{N-1}|N-1\rangle$$

which restriction on $\hat{U}$?

must preserve probability: $\sum |\beta_i|^2 = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\hat{U} \text{ must be unitary} \quad U U^\dagger = 1}$$

CIRCUITS & GATES

to represent basic unitaries (

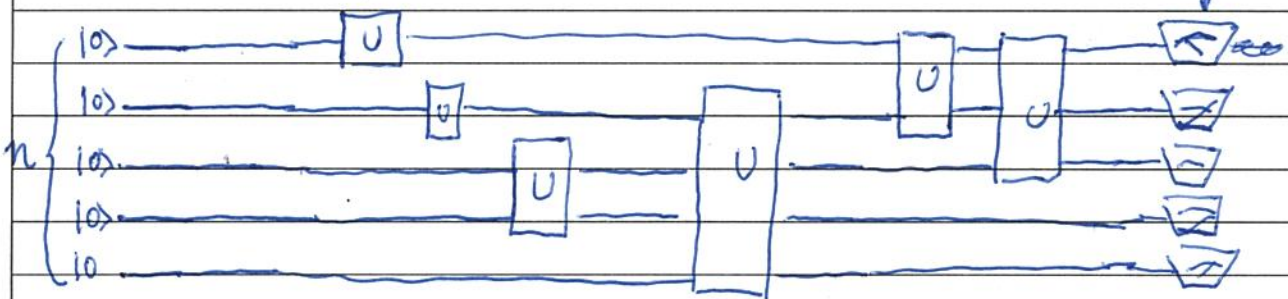
time evolution

Reference state

Evolution

final state

measure



$\boxed{U}$: are unitary operators, called "GATES"

- typically 1-qubit (X, Y, Z, HADAMARD)

2-qubits (CNOT, CZ)

• 3-qubits (Toffoli)

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- some gates

X-gate: is the Pauli σ^x : Flips the qubit state

$$X|a\rangle = |1-a\rangle \quad a=0,1 \quad \boxed{X} \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{move general}$$

Z-gate: is $Z|a\rangle = (-1)^a |a\rangle \quad \boxed{Z} \quad Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow R_\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$

Hadamard

H-Gate: it acts like $H|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \equiv |+\rangle$



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

$$H|1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \equiv |-\rangle$$

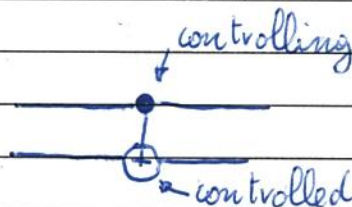
Notice:

$$X|\pm\rangle = \pm|\pm\rangle$$

→ this is probably the most important 1-Qubit gate:

↳ It creates superposition CLASSICAL $\xrightarrow{H}$ QUANTUM

■ 2-Qubit: CNOT



$$\begin{aligned} \text{CNOT } |0\rangle|a\rangle &= |0\rangle|a\rangle \\ \text{CNOT } |1\rangle|a\rangle &= |1\rangle|1-a\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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

This gate creates entanglement

similarly: CZ gate

$$CZ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

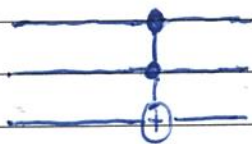
$$CZ |0\rangle|a\rangle = |0\rangle|a\rangle$$

$$CZ |1\rangle|a\rangle = |1\rangle|1-a\rangle$$

- 3-qubits gate: the Toffoli gate (CCNOT)

↳ it's like the CNOT but with (2) control gates

it flips the third qubit if both the controlling qubits are 1



→ this gate is essential to simulate classical functions:

$$f(x): \{0,1\}^n \longrightarrow \{0,1\}$$

(More next lecture) ~~not possible~~

■ Entanglement: (correlations between different qubits)

can be thought as: SUPERPOSITION ⊕ Multiple qubits

↳ suppose ~~the~~ the system is made by 2 parts

A and B ⇒ $|\psi\rangle$ is entangled if I cannot

$$\text{write it as } |\psi\rangle_A \otimes |\psi_B\rangle$$

Example:

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |00\rangle) = |0\rangle \otimes \left(\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = |0+\rangle$$

↳ Not Entangled

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \neq |\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\psi_B\rangle$$

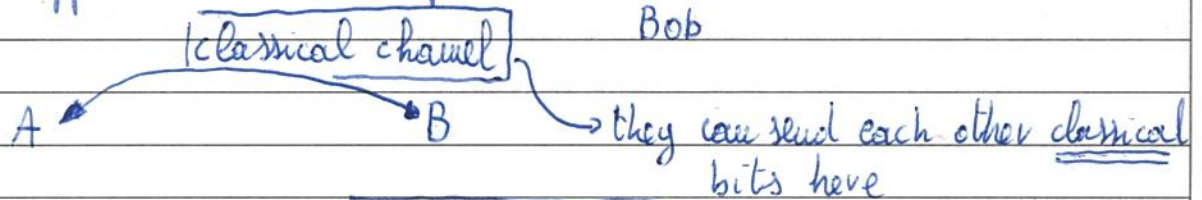
$|\text{EPR}\rangle$ (correlation)

⇒ Entangled

Entanglement is at the core of Q.C.: APPLICATIONS

■ Quantum teleportation:

suppose we have 2 persons:



A has a qubit: $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$

→ she wants to send it to B, how to do that?

- Classically: IMPOSSIBLE: α, β may require infinite Bits

$$\text{Ex: } \alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- Quantum: suppose they share $|\text{EPR}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$

→ Now they can !!

Let's see How:

- total state $|\psi_T\rangle = |\psi\rangle \otimes |\text{EPR}\rangle = (\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$

- Alice does the Following:

1) CNOT on her 2 qubits 2) H on the first

⇒ see what happens:

$$|\psi_T\rangle = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} |000\rangle + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} |011\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} |100\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} |111\rangle$$

$$\text{CNOT } |\psi_T\rangle = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} |000\rangle + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} |011\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} |110\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} |101\rangle$$

$$- H(\text{CNOT}|\psi_T\rangle = \frac{\alpha}{2}(|0\rangle_x + |1\rangle_x)|00\rangle + \frac{\alpha}{2}(|0\rangle_x + |1\rangle_x)|11\rangle + \frac{\beta}{2}(|0\rangle_x - |1\rangle_x)|10\rangle + \frac{\beta}{2}(|0\rangle_x - |1\rangle_x)|01\rangle$$

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

- we start to see an interesting pattern: the superposition is now "in Bob's hands"

■ A measures her qubits $\Rightarrow$ she gets a "classical state" $|a\rangle|b\rangle$

■ A communicates (a, b) to B:

B: if $b=1$: B applies X-gate

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if $a=1$: B " Z-gate

$\Rightarrow$ Now B has

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

Teleportation

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Lecture 2: more about circuits, The query model, some algorithms

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- 1) the n -fold Hadamard
 - 2) classical functions with toffoli
 - 3) 1) + 2) → Quantum parallelism

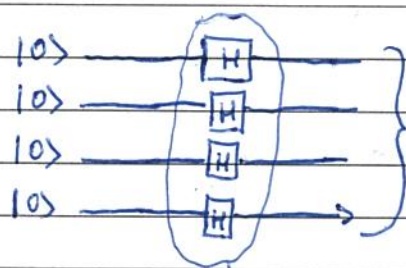
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- 1) a high-level view on circuits
 - 2) the standard query
 - 3) the phase query

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- 1) Deutsch-Jozsa
 - 2) Bernstein-Vazirani
 - 3) ~~Quantum Fourier Transform~~
~~Phase estimation~~

■ The n -fold Hadamard

→ this is a very used step in Many algorithms

let us consider the following n -qubit circuit



$$H^{\otimes n} |0^n\rangle = |\psi\rangle$$

→ often in initialization

$|\psi\rangle$ what is this state?

→ n -fold Hadamard

$$|\psi\rangle = |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \dots$$

↑ it's a product state (No entanglement) but

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{j \in \{0,1\}^n} |j\rangle = \frac{|0000\rangle + |0001\rangle + \dots + |1111\rangle}{\sqrt{2^n}}$$

→ it creates a uniform superposition of all n -bit strings.

what happens if $|0^n\rangle \rightarrow |i\rangle$

$\uparrow$ generic bit-string = $i \in \{0,1\}^n$

$$\Rightarrow H^{\otimes n} |i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{j \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{i \cdot j} |j\rangle$$

$i \cdot j = \sum_k i_k j_k$

classical Boolean functions with Toffoli

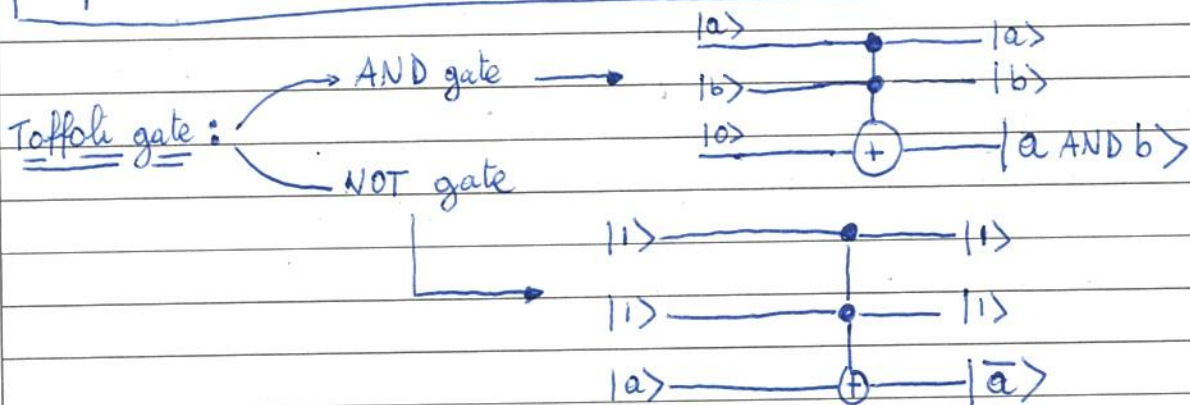
→ Boolean functions:

$$f(x): \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

Theorem: any classical ~~for~~ boolean function can be computed

we are not going to prove it

with ~~AND~~ AND and NOT gates only



⇒ we see that classical boolean functions can be computed by means of Toffoli circuits only

■ Quantum parallelism

- Let's consider the circuit $|i \in \{0,1\}^n\rangle |0\rangle \xrightarrow{U} |i\rangle |f(i)\rangle$

$\Rightarrow$ by combining $H^{\otimes n}$ with U we get

$$\Rightarrow UH^{\otimes n}(|0^n\rangle|0\rangle) = U\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} |i\rangle|0\rangle\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} |i\rangle|f(i)\rangle$$

$\hookrightarrow$ Quantum parallelism: we just applied U once and we got all possible outcomes!

$\hookrightarrow$ ~~Is this useful?~~

Is this useful?: as it is, NOT MUCH! if we measure the state we just get one randomized instance of $f(i)$

$\Rightarrow$ We will need more (namely ~~just~~ interference & entanglement)

■ The query model:

$\hookrightarrow$ this is a model which allows a High-level description of quantum algorithms.

Setup: 1) an $N \equiv 2^n$ -bit input ("oracle", "memory")

$$x = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) \in \{0,1\}^n$$

$\hookrightarrow$ they can be labelled with n -bit strings

2) a memory access:

$\hookrightarrow$ they can be realized as $\{f(0), f(1), \dots, f(N-1)\}$

$\hookrightarrow$ this is done via a unitary "black-Box"

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via Toffoli circuits

$$O_x: \overbrace{|i, 0\rangle}^{n+1 \text{ qubits}} \longrightarrow |i, x_i\rangle$$

$\uparrow$ address $\nwarrow$ target

3) Making the memory access unitary

$$O_x : |i, b\rangle \mapsto |i, b \oplus x_i\rangle \quad \text{"standard" query}$$

1 application of O_x is a "QUERY"

↳ often, O_x is the heaviest part to compute

⇒ Query complexity: How many times do we need to call O_x ?

Another possibility: "phase Query"

$$\text{let's apply } O_x : |i, -\rangle = O_x \left(|i\rangle \otimes \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) \right) \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|i\rangle |x_i\rangle - |i\rangle |1 \oplus x_i\rangle \right) = (-1)^{x_i} |i\rangle |-\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Phase query: } O_{x \pm} |i\rangle = (-1)^{x_i} |i\rangle$$

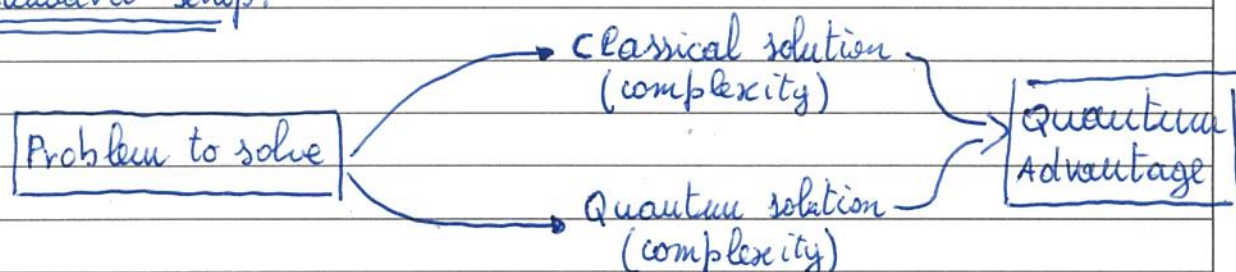
Notice: $O_x |i, +\rangle = |i, +\rangle \Rightarrow O_x$ does nothing in this case

■ Some Algorithms

we now have finished ~~the~~ with the "technology"

→ From now on, until the end of the course, we will discuss Algorithms.

standard setup:



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The Deutsch-Sosza algorithm

• Problem: we have an N -bit string ($N=2^n$)

$$x = x_0 x_1 \dots x_{N-1}$$

and we know that 1 of these 2 options is satisfied:

(a) All x_i are EQUAL ("constant" case)

(b) $\frac{N}{2} x_i$ are $= 0$ ("balanced" case)

$$\frac{N}{2} x_i \text{ " } = 1$$

→ We want to discriminate these 2 cases. □

- classical Deterministic: in the worst case scenario we need

$$O\left(\frac{N}{2} + 1\right) \sim \boxed{O(2^n) \text{ queries}}$$

if we see N consecutive 0s, still the output is undetermined

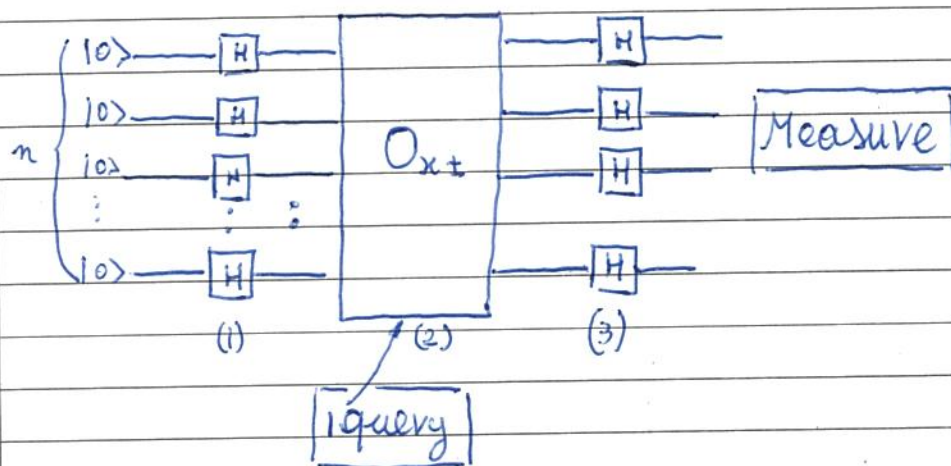
Probabilistic: $O(1)$ queries are enough

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Extract randomly at few positions and check:
if all Equals, probably "constant case"

⇒ classical summary:

- Deterministic inefficient
- Probabilistic efficient

Quantum consider the following circuit



and let's follow what is going to happen

$$(1): |\psi_{(1)}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} |i\rangle$$

$$(2): |\psi_{(2)}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{x_i} |i\rangle$$

$$(3): |\psi_{(3)}\rangle = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{x_i} \sum_{j \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{i \cdot j} |j\rangle$$

$$\text{now } i \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \forall i \in \{0,1\}^n$$

$$\Rightarrow |\psi_{(3)}\rangle = 2_0 |0^n\rangle + \dots$$

$$2_0 = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{x_i} \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } x_i = 0 \quad \forall i \\ -1 & \text{if } x_i = 1 \quad \forall i \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is balanced} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$ after measurement $\begin{cases} |0^n\rangle \Rightarrow \text{constant case} \\ \text{any other state} \Rightarrow \text{balanced case} \end{cases}$

Quantum summary: Deterministic with just 1 query

■ Bernstein Vazirani

Problem: $N = 2^n$ $x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{N-1} \in \{0, 1\}^n$

- x satisfies the property: ~~is fixed~~

$$\boxed{\exists a \in \{0, 1\}^n \text{ s.t. } x_i = (i \cdot a) \bmod 2 \quad \forall i \in \{0, 1\}^n}$$

- Task: find a

- Classical: no matter deterministic or randomized $\Rightarrow \boxed{O(n) \text{ queries}}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Example: } x_{100\dots 0} = a_0 \\ x_{01\dots 0} = a_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{00\dots 1} = a_n \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} x_{100\dots 0} = a_0 \\ x_{01\dots 0} = a_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{00\dots 1} = a_n \end{array}} \right\} O(n) \text{ queries}$$

- Quantum: We do Exactly the same as in JD algorithm

$$\Rightarrow \text{final state } |\psi_{(2)}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{i \in \{0, 1\}^n} (-1)^{x_i} |i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_i (-1)^{i \cdot a} |i\rangle$$

$x_i = (i \cdot a) \bmod 2$ invariant

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\psi_{(3)}\rangle = H^{\otimes n} |\psi_{(2)}\rangle = |a\rangle}$$

property of $H^{\otimes n}$

$\Rightarrow$ 1 Query + measurement and we get a

$\Rightarrow$ a Poly nomial advantage

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Lecture 3 : 2 important algorithms : - Quantum Fourier transform

↳ Phase estimation

- Grover search:

■ Quantum Fourier transform

- classical case First: the discrete Fourier transform (DFT)

- it's a $N \times N$ matrix F_N :

$-F_v$ is unitary

$$-|F_{vab}|^2 = 1 \quad \forall a, b \in \{1, \dots, v\}$$

Example: $F_2 = H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Nth root of unity

for general $N \geq 2$: define $\omega_N = e^{2\pi i/N}$

$$\Rightarrow F_{\nu, jk} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \omega_{\nu, jk} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{N} j \cdot k}$$

$$e^{2\pi i \ell / N} \rightarrow F_N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & & \omega_N^k \\ & & \vdots \\ & & \omega_N^{(N-1)k} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F_v \text{ is } \underline{\text{unitary}} \text{ and } \underline{\text{symmetric}} \Rightarrow F_v^{-1} = F_v^*$$

- DFT is the map

$$\text{DFT: } v_n \longrightarrow \hat{v}_n = F_n v_n \quad (\hat{v}_n)_j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_k \omega_n^{jk} (v_n)_k$$

COMPLEXITY : $O(N^2) \xrightarrow{\text{Fast Fourier transform}} O(N \log N)$

■ The quantum case:

- F_N is a unitary matrix $\Rightarrow$ it defines a quantum operation

$$|\psi\rangle \xrightarrow{\quad} |\hat{\psi}\rangle = F_N |\psi\rangle$$

N-qubit state

We look for an efficient implementation.

Notice: $F_N^{\text{classical}}$ and F_N^{quantum} are not the same operation

↑
this corresponds
with an actual
vector, written
on paper

↑
this is a vector of amplitudes:

$\Rightarrow$ much like parallelism, we need
to see what to do with it.

■ the Quantum circuit:

• Allowed gates: • $C R_s = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2\pi i/s} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{as usual controlled version}} R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = Z$
 $R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$
 $\hookrightarrow$ this is just R_s
 $\hookrightarrow$ for s large: $R_s \approx \mathbb{1}$

• Hadamard

• Linearity simplification:

$\hookrightarrow$ we just need to consider $F_N |K\rangle$ basis vector

$$|K\rangle = |0\rangle, \dots, |N-1\rangle \quad \text{with } N = 2^n$$

$\Rightarrow |K\rangle$ is labelled by n -qubits

$$|K\rangle = |k_1 \dots k_n\rangle$$

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most significant bit

now, notice the following property:

$$\text{We have (base 2)} \quad j = j_1 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{most} \\ \text{significant}}}{0} \dots j_n \Rightarrow \left[\begin{aligned} 0 \dots j_1 \dots j_n &= \frac{j}{2^n} = \\ &= (j_1 \cdot 2^{n-1} + j_2 \cdot 2^{n-2} + \dots + j_n \cdot 2^0) \cdot \frac{1}{2^n} = \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^n j_l 2^{-l} \end{aligned} \right]$$

Example: $0.101 = \frac{5}{8} = 2^{-1} \cdot 1 + 2^{-2} \cdot 0 + 2^{-3} \cdot 1$

$\Rightarrow$ we can now compute $F_N |K\rangle$

$$F_N |K\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(2\pi i j K \cdot \frac{1}{2^n}\right) |j\rangle =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{j \in \{0,1\}^n} \exp\left(2\pi i \sum_{l=1}^n j_l 2^{-l} K\right) |j_1 \dots j_n\rangle =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{j \in \{0,1\}^n} \prod_{l=1}^n e^{2\pi i j_l K / 2^l} |j_1 \dots j_n\rangle =$$

$$\boxed{= \bigotimes_{l=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i K / 2^l} |1\rangle)} \quad \leftarrow \text{no entanglement}$$

$\nearrow$ important

now: $\exp\left(\frac{2\pi i K}{2^l}\right) = \exp\left(2\pi i \cdot \underbrace{(K_1 K_2 \dots K_{n-l} \cdot K_{n-l+1} \dots K_n)}_{\text{base 2}}\right)$

$\nwarrow$ integer part $\rightarrow$ does not matter since $e^{2\pi i m} = 1$ in integer

$$= \exp\left(2\pi i \cdot 0 \cdot K_{n-l+1} \dots K_n\right)$$

we are so ready for the circuit:

Example: $n=3 \rightarrow N=8$

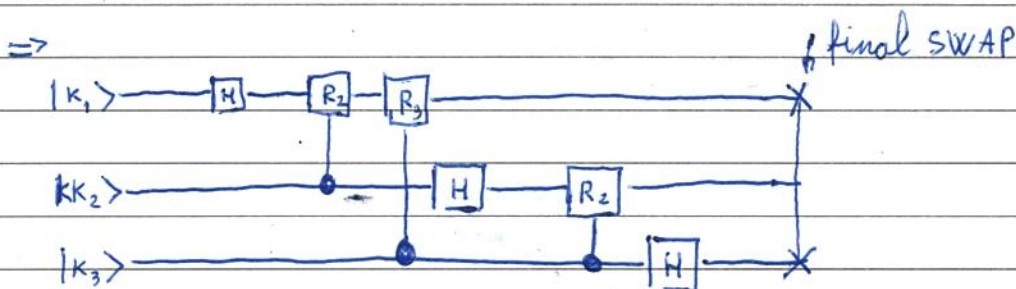
$$F_8 |k_1, k_2, k_3\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot k_3} |1\rangle \right) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot k_2 k_3} |1\rangle \right) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot k_1 k_2 k_3} |1\rangle \right)$$

now: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |k_3\rangle \rightarrow \begin{cases} |0\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle \\ |1\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot 1} |1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow$ For $|k_3\rangle$ I simply need a Hadamard

$\Rightarrow$ FOR $|k_2\rangle$ I need Hadamard and then a CR_2

$\Rightarrow$ For $|k_1\rangle$ " " " " a $CR_2 + CR_3$



Complexity $\rightarrow$ at most n gates per qubit $\Rightarrow O(n^2)$

$\rightarrow n$ qubit

Recall that classical $O(N \log N) = O(2^n \cdot n)$

$\rightarrow$ "advantage" but remember that the two operators are not the same

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■ An application: Quantum phase estimation

Problem:

- We have a unitary U
 - " " " eigenvector $|\psi\rangle$
- $$\Rightarrow U|\psi\rangle = \lambda |\psi\rangle$$
- $$\hookrightarrow \text{Unitary} \Rightarrow \lambda = e^{2\pi i \phi}$$
- $$\phi \in [0, 1)$$

$\Rightarrow$ Goal: estimate ϕ

Assumption: $\phi = 0.\phi_1\phi_2\dots\phi_n$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{n\text{-bits precision (for simplicity)}}$

- Algorithm:

1) start with $|0^n\rangle |\psi\rangle$

2) Apply $H^{\otimes n}$ on the first n -qubit $\Rightarrow |0^n\rangle |\psi\rangle \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} |j\rangle |\psi\rangle$

3) Apply the map: $|j\rangle |\psi\rangle \rightarrow |j\rangle U^j |\psi\rangle = e^{2\pi i \phi j} |j\rangle |\psi\rangle$

$\Rightarrow$ the state is now $\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} \exp(2\pi i \phi \cdot j) |j\rangle \right) |\psi\rangle = (F_n |2^n \phi\rangle) |\psi\rangle$

4) Apply F_n^{-1} : the state is $|2^n \phi\rangle |\psi\rangle$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\phi_1 - \phi_n}$

5) Measure the state $\Rightarrow \boxed{\phi_1 - \phi_n}$

The Grover search algorithm (one of the most famous algorithms)

→ $N = 2^n$ we are given an $x = x_0 x_1 \dots x_{n-1} \in \{0,1\}^n$

Goal: Find i s.t. $x_i = 1$ (if $\exists$)

- First classical Complexity: $\Theta(N)$ (both $O(N)$ and $\Omega(N)$)

Now quantum:

def: t is the number of i s.t. $x_i = 1 \Rightarrow$ Hamming Weight

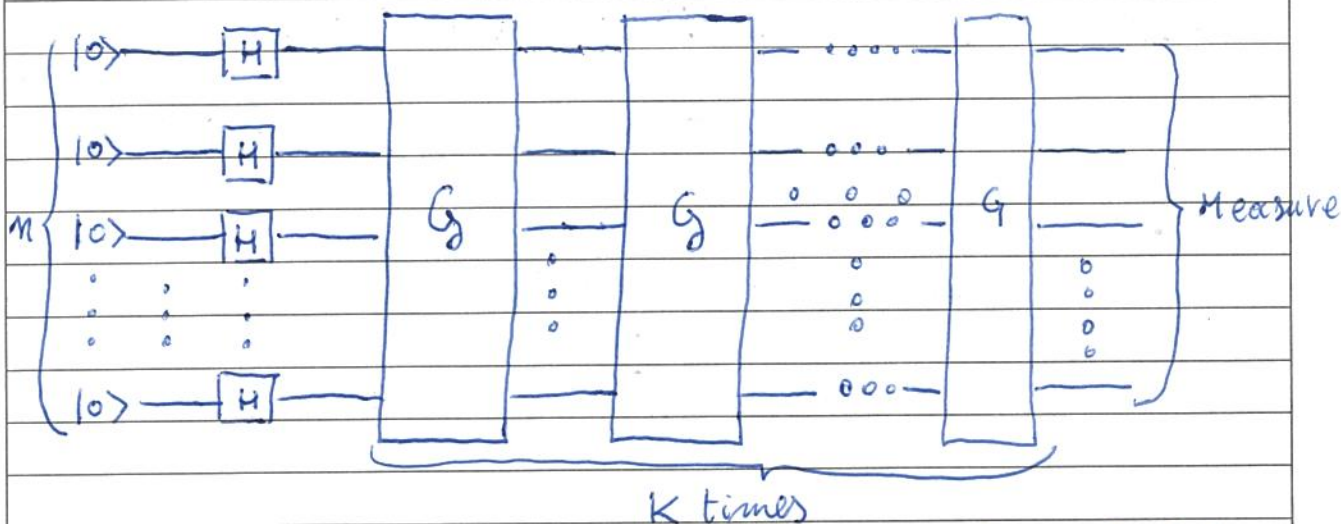
def: the Grover iterate: $G \equiv H^{\otimes n} R_0 H^{\otimes n} O_{x \pm} \leftarrow 1 G \leftrightarrow 1 \text{ Query}$

where:

- $O_{x \pm}: |i\rangle \rightarrow (-)^{x_i} |i\rangle$ (the standard phase query)

- $R_0: \begin{cases} R_0 |0^n\rangle \rightarrow +|0^n\rangle \\ R_0 |i\rangle \rightarrow -|i\rangle \forall i \neq 0^n \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{can be implemented with } O(n) \text{ elementary gates}$

Grover algorithm: circuit



K times

→ talk about it later

Why it works:

after $H^{\otimes n}$ the state is $|U\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_i |i\rangle \Rightarrow$ uniform superposition

$\Rightarrow$ we need to move amplitudes to states $|i\rangle$ s.t. $x_i = 1$

$\Rightarrow$ define 2 states: "good", $|G\rangle$ and "Bad", $|B\rangle$.

$$|G\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum_{i: x_i=1} |i\rangle \quad |B\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-t}} \sum_{i: x_i=0} |i\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow |U\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left(\sum_{i: x_i=1} |i\rangle + \sum_{i: x_i=0} |i\rangle \right) = \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{N}} |G\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{N-t}}{\sqrt{N}} |B\rangle$$

notice $\left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\sqrt{N}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{N-t}}{\sqrt{N}}\right)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow$

$$|U\rangle = \sin\theta |G\rangle + \cos\theta |B\rangle$$

$$\theta = \arcsin\left(\sqrt{\frac{t}{N}}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow$ 2D space, we want to move towards
 $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

Next ingredient: G as a product of two reflections

reflections through subspace V

An operator O is a reflection through a subspace V if

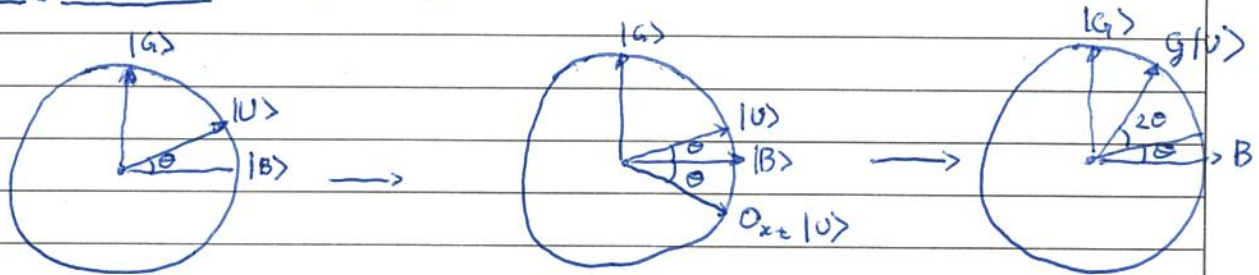
$$\begin{cases} O|v\rangle = |v\rangle \quad \forall v \in V \\ O|w\rangle = -|w\rangle \quad \forall w: \langle w|v\rangle = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow O = 2P_V - \mathbb{1}$$

projector on V

$\Rightarrow O_{x \pm}$ is a reflection through $|B\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot H^{\otimes n} R_0 H^{\otimes n} &= H^{\otimes n} (2|0^n\rangle\langle 0^n| - \mathbb{1}) H^{\otimes n} = 2 H^{\otimes n} |0^n\rangle\langle 0^n| H^{\otimes n} - \mathbb{1} = \\ &= 2|U\rangle\langle U| - \mathbb{1} \Rightarrow \text{reflection through } |U\rangle \end{aligned}$$

the G-action: (graphical)



$\Rightarrow$ $|G|U\rangle$ has moved towards $|G\rangle$

$\Rightarrow$ after k -steps: $|\psi_k\rangle = \sin((2k+1)\theta)|G\rangle + \cos((2k+1)\theta)|B\rangle$

$\Rightarrow$ the probability of success is: $P_k = \sin^2((2k+1)\theta)$

what is the best k ?

$$\text{we want } (2\tilde{k}+1)\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow 2\tilde{k}+1 = \frac{\pi}{2\theta}$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{k} \sim \frac{\pi}{4\theta} - \frac{1}{2}$ $\leftarrow$ notice that $\tilde{k}$ must be an integer ~~not~~ so we cannot really achieve it (depending on θ , but if the number of solutions t is known, something can be done)

$$\tilde{k} \sim \frac{\pi}{4 \arcsin(\sqrt{\frac{t}{N}})} - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \tilde{k} \sim \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{\frac{N}{t}}$$

$\Rightarrow$ complexity: $O(k) \sim O(\sqrt{N})$ quadratic advantage

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Lecture 4 : random walk algorithms

Setup : - We have a graph $G(E, V)$

Edges

vertices $\rightarrow N$ in total

- $\epsilon = \frac{t}{N}$ - fraction is marked

Goal : Find $v \in V$ which is marked

$\hookrightarrow$ clearly very much in the spirit of Grover

$\rightarrow$ We want to solve it in a random walk fashion :

1) start from a given vertex y

2) check if marked

3) if not, move to a neighbor

4) keep repeating 2)+3) until we find it

$\Rightarrow$ convenient in terms of memory :

N vertices $\Rightarrow 2^n$ bits

y requires $O(n) = O(\log N)$

■ A Mathematical tool: the normalized adjacency matrix P

- restrict to $G(E, V)$ being: - connected : $\forall (v_1, v_2)$ you can connect them

- d-regular : $\forall v_i$ has exactly d -neighbors

bipartite

- no self-loops : no Edges like (v_i, v_i)

$\Rightarrow$ we define P to be:

P : $N \times N$ matrix: $P_{v_1, v_2} = 0$ if $\nexists e \in E$ connecting (v_1, v_2)

$P_{v_1, v_2} = \frac{1}{d}$ if $\exists$ " " " "

$\Rightarrow$ let's take $\hat{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ N -dimensional, normalized, vector

$\Rightarrow P\hat{v} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{d} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{d} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in d places $\Rightarrow$ it can be used to represent a step of the random walk

$\Rightarrow$ I will be with $p = \frac{1}{d}$ in one of the neighbours

■ Properties of P : (mostly stated without proof)

let us define $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_N \leftarrow$ Eigenvalues

$v_1, v_2, \dots, v_N \leftarrow$ Eigenvectors

$\Rightarrow$ it's possible to show:

$$\lambda_1 = 1$$

$\rightarrow$ dominant pair

$$\text{and also } |\lambda_N| > -1$$

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{N}$$

$\leftarrow$ uniform distribution

$\Rightarrow$ we can show (Exercise)

$$P^K v \sim v_1$$

$$\text{if } K \sim \frac{1}{|\lambda_1 - \lambda_2|} \equiv \frac{1}{\delta}$$

$\uparrow$
spectral gap

⇒ We are now ready for the classical random walk algorithm

1) Prepare $\hat{v}$ initial

2) evolve $K \sim \frac{1}{\delta}$ times $\Rightarrow \hat{v}_T = P^K v \sim U$

3) extract 1 vertex from $U \Rightarrow y$ is marked with $p = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \epsilon$

4) repeat 2) and 3) $\sim \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ Times

⇒ Total complexity:

$$C \approx \underset{\substack{\text{setting} \\ \text{the initial} \\ \text{state} \\ \text{(queries to create } v \text{)}}}{S} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\underset{\substack{\text{cost to check if} \\ \text{our vertex is marked}}}{C} + \frac{1}{\delta} \underset{\substack{\text{cost to update: } U \sim P v}}{U} \right)$$

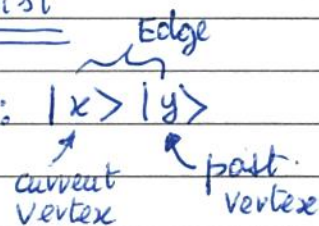
notice that this query complexity is in the spirit of when

we have a small but fast RAM, and a large but slow

HD: the real consuming operations are the calls to the HD

■ Quantum algorithm : GROVER + GRAPH twist

in the quantum algorithm we need 2 registers: $|x\rangle |y\rangle$



- define: $|p_x\rangle = \sum_y \sqrt{P_{xy}} |y\rangle$ → uniform superposition of neighbors

⇒ like in GROVER define "good" and "bad" states

• M : {marked vertices}

$$|G\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \sum_{x \in M} |x\rangle |p_x\rangle$$

$$|B\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-M}} \sum_{x \notin M} |x\rangle |p_x\rangle$$

⇒ define $\epsilon = |M|/N$ $\theta = \arcsin(\sqrt{\epsilon})$

and the uniform superposition (Easy to make with Hadamard)

$$|U\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_x |x\rangle |p_x\rangle = \sin(\theta) |G\rangle + \cos(\theta) |B\rangle$$

⇒ the quantum Algorithm, GROVER-like:

1) setup $|U\rangle$

from GROVER

2) repeat the following $O(1/\sqrt{\epsilon})$ times

2.a) Reflect through $|B\rangle$

2.b) Reflect through $|U\rangle$

→ this requires
R.W. technology

3) Measure and check.

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for the usual reasons this is going to
find a marked vertex with high probability.

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How we can implement (2.a) and (2.b)?

→ (2.a) is ~~easy~~ easy: we make a "phase" Query-like:

if $|x\rangle$ marked $\Rightarrow -|x\rangle$

if $|x\rangle$ not marked $\Rightarrow +|x\rangle$

(2.b) this is much harder to implement and Where R.W. enter:

- General idea: classical intuition:

we have P -and $P^k v \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1/n \\ 1/n \\ \vdots \\ 1/n \end{pmatrix}$ uniform

$\Rightarrow$ we need, probably, a "quantum encoding of P "

and then some repeated action of P will give a projection on U

Let's see How we can do this in practice:

- define:

$A = \text{span} \{ |x\rangle | p_x \rangle \} \Rightarrow \text{ref}(A)$: reflection through A

$B = \text{span} \{ |p_y\rangle | y \rangle \} \Rightarrow \text{ref}(B)$: reflection through B

$W(P) = \text{ref}(B) \text{ref}(A)$ | this is going to be our main actor (i.e. the "quantum encoding of P ")

- How to implement this?

consider the following operation (possibly controlled)

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad |x\rangle|0\rangle &\longrightarrow |x\rangle|P_x\rangle \\ (2) \quad |0\rangle|y\rangle &\longrightarrow |P_y\rangle|y\rangle \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} (1) \quad |x\rangle|0\rangle &\longrightarrow |x\rangle|P_x\rangle \\ (2) \quad |0\rangle|y\rangle &\longrightarrow |P_y\rangle|y\rangle \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{this is like making a step of random walk}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ref}(A): (1)^{-1} \longrightarrow (-1)^{\text{if 2nd reg} \neq 0} \longrightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Ref}(B): (2)^{-1} \longrightarrow (-1)^{\text{if 1st register} \neq 0} \longrightarrow (2)$$

we can implement the action of $W(P)$ via 4 Random Walk steps.

Eigen spectrum of $W(P)$: related to the $\lambda_j \Rightarrow$ call them $\tilde{\lambda}_j$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\text{let } |\lambda_j| = \cos \theta_j; \quad \theta_j \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

$$\boxed{\tilde{\lambda}_j = e^{\pm 2i\theta_j}}$$

and $|0\rangle$ is eigenvector with $\tilde{\lambda}_j = 1 \Rightarrow \theta_j = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}_j = e^{\pm 2i\theta_j}$$

all others

$$\boxed{\theta_j \geq \sqrt{2\delta}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow 1 - \delta \geq |\lambda_j| = \cos \theta_j \geq 1 - \frac{\theta_j^2}{2}$$

taylor

we finally obtain that the reflection through $|0\rangle$

can be done via a reflection through the eigenvalue -1 space of $W(P)$

How can we do this?

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{phase estimation} \\ \text{with significance } \frac{\sqrt{\delta}}{2} \end{array}}$$

$\Rightarrow$ requires $O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}}\right)$ applications of $W(P)$

" $O\left(\log\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)\right)$ auxiliary qubits

⇒ schematically : appro

$$R(p): |w\rangle|0\rangle \xrightarrow{P.E.} |w\rangle|\tilde{\theta}_j\rangle \xrightarrow{(-1)^{[\theta_j \neq 0]}} |w\rangle|\tilde{\theta}_j\rangle \xrightarrow{P.E.^{-1}} |w\rangle|0\rangle$$

The wanted reflection

and this conclude the implementation of (2.6.)

⇒ we can now count the COMPLEXITY of the algorithm

- setup cost: cost of building $|0\rangle \Rightarrow S$
- checking cost: cost of check the map $|x\rangle|y\rangle \rightarrow m_x |x\rangle|y\rangle \Rightarrow C$

$\downarrow$
 -1 marked
 +1 not
- update cost: cost of one R.W. step: cost of $W(p) \Rightarrow U$

$\Rightarrow$ total complexity

$$S + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \left(C + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} U \right)$$

grover

phase estimation

- compared to the classical case: $\varepsilon \rightarrow \sqrt{\varepsilon}$
 $\delta \rightarrow \sqrt{\delta}$] $\rightarrow$ advantage.

Application : the collision problem

Input: $x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \quad x_i \in \mathbb{N}$

classical $O(n)$

Goal: Find i, j $i \neq j$ s.t. $x_i = x_j$, ~~see~~ if existent.

This problem can be solved using a Random walk on a

Johnson graph

the Johnson graph: $J(n, r)$

- consider $r < n$

$\Rightarrow$ vertices: sets $R \subseteq \{0, \dots, n-1\}$ with r elements.

$$\Rightarrow N = \binom{n}{r}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Edges: R, R' connected iff: R' can be obtained by removing 1 element from R and adding 1 element.

$\rightarrow J(n, r)$ is $r(n-r)$ -regular

property: spectral gap is $\delta = \frac{n}{r(n-r)} \approx \frac{1}{r} \quad n \gg r$

• For our algorithm:

- our vertex contains (R, x_R) the elements x_i with $i \in R$

- what about ϵ ? $\Rightarrow$ worst case scenario: 1 collision (i, i)

$$\rightarrow \epsilon = \frac{r}{n} \cdot \frac{r-1}{n-1} \approx \left(\frac{r}{n}\right)^2$$

$\Rightarrow$ algorithm cost (in terms of queries to oracle x)

S : $r+1$ ($|U\rangle$ is a uniform superposition and $|R\rangle, |R'\rangle$ contain $r+1$ elements)

U : $O(1)$ (I need to query the new added element)

$C = 0$ (no query required)

better than classical

$$\Rightarrow S + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \left(C + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} U \right) = O\left(r + \frac{n}{\sqrt{r}}\right) \sim O(n^{2/3})$$

$\rightarrow$ for $r = n^{2/3}$