# Grover's Algorithm and its application

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Let  $N = 2^n$ .

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Grover's Algorithm (1996)

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# Recap

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*Complex number*. z = a + bi where a and b are real numbers.

- -a = Re(z) is the *real part* of z
- -b = Im(z) is the *imaginary part* of z
- $-z^* \coloneqq a bi$  is the *conjugate* of z.

 $|z| = \sqrt{Re(z)^2 + Im(z)^2} = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  is the *magnitude* of z.

Observation.  $|z|^2 = (a + bi)(a - bi) = z^*z$ .

#### Recap – qubit

The *Qubit* (short for *quantum bit*).  $|\phi\rangle = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$ 

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are complex numbers such that  $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$ .

Superposition. Measuring  $|\phi\rangle$  will yield either zero w/ probability  $|\alpha|^2$  or one w/ probability  $|\beta|^2$ .

The state of the qubit  $|\phi\rangle$  is two-dimensional complex vector  $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$ .

 $\langle \phi | \coloneqq (\alpha \quad \beta)^* = (\alpha^* \quad \beta^*)$ , i.e., the conjugate transpose of  $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$ .

#### Recap – systems of qubit

Systems of Qubit. (Tensor product or Kronecker product)

$$|\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\rangle = |\phi_{1}\rangle \otimes |\phi_{2}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1} \\ \beta_{1} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{2} \\ \beta_{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1}\alpha_{2} \\ \alpha_{1}\beta_{2} \\ \beta_{1}\alpha_{2} \\ \beta_{1}\beta_{2} \end{pmatrix} = \alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}|00\rangle + \alpha_{1}\beta_{2}|01\rangle + \beta_{1}\alpha_{2}|10\rangle + \beta_{1}\beta_{2}|11\rangle$$

The state below is *entangled* i.e., not separable.

$$|\phi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

The state  $|\phi'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |11\rangle)$  is not entangled. Since

$$|\phi'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes |1\rangle$$

Inner product.  $\langle \phi_1 | \phi_2 \rangle = (\alpha_1 \quad \beta_1)^* {\alpha_2 \choose \beta_2} = \alpha_1^* \alpha_2 + \beta_1^* \beta_2$  where  $(\alpha_1 \quad \beta_1)^* = (\alpha_1^* \quad \beta_1^*)$ .

*Outer product*.  $|\phi_1\rangle\langle\phi_2| = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1\\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}(\alpha_2 \quad \beta_2)^* = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1\alpha_2^* & \alpha_1\beta_2^*\\ \beta_1\alpha_2^* & \beta_1\beta_2^* \end{pmatrix} \qquad |\phi_1\rangle\langle\phi_2|$ : a <u>matrix</u> with mapping  $|\phi_1\rangle \to |\phi_2\rangle$ 

Exercise (expressing matrix).

$$|0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1| = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
= Mapping { $|0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle$ ,  $|1\rangle \rightarrow -|1\rangle$ }  
$$|00\rangle\langle 00| + |01\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 11| + |11\rangle\langle 10| = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
= Mapping { $|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle$ ,  $|01\rangle \rightarrow |01\rangle$ ,  $|10\rangle \rightarrow |11\rangle$ ,  $|11\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle$ }

Unitary Matrix. The matrix U is unitary if  $UU^{\dagger} = U^{\dagger}U = I$  where  $U^{\dagger}$  is the transposed conjugate of U.

-  $U^{\dagger} \coloneqq U^{*T}$  is sometimes called Hermitian conjugate matrix or adjoint matrix.

*Unitary Transformation*. Change of the state is done by a series of unitary transformations. Basic unitary transformations are called *gates*.

Unitarity implies

- 1. #input qubits = #output qubits
- 2. Reversible

Not. NOT = 
$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
-  $\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle \rightarrow \beta |0\rangle + \alpha |1\rangle$ 

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

Exercise.

$$|0\rangle \longrightarrow \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|1\rangle \longrightarrow \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

#### Recap – common gates (multi-qubit gates)

Controlled-NOT. CNOT = 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $-\alpha_1\alpha_2|00\rangle + \alpha_1\beta_2|01\rangle + \beta_1\alpha_2|10\rangle + \beta_1\beta_2|11\rangle \longrightarrow \alpha_1\alpha_2|00\rangle + \alpha_1\beta_2|01\rangle + \beta_1\beta_2|10\rangle + \beta_1\alpha_2|11\rangle$ 

Observe. CNOT = 
$$|00\rangle\langle00| + |01\rangle\langle01| + |10\rangle\langle11| + |11\rangle\langle10| = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Recap – applying transformations

 $CNOT(H \otimes I)$ 



1. 
$$(H \otimes I)(|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle) = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes |0\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$
  
2.  $CNOT \frac{|00\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (CNOT|00\rangle + CNOT|10\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle) = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ 

Bell state  $|\beta_{00}\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ . (Note that its state is entangled.)

## Quantum Oracle

Given a function  $f(x): \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$ , find a *n*-bit string  $x^*$  such that  $f(x^*) = 1$ .

Let  $N = 2^n$ .

Requires O(N) function calls in the classical model.

Grover's Algorithm

Requires  $\Theta(\sqrt{N})$  function calls in the quantum model.

"Function" should be something like a quantum gate... and note that it must be unitary...

Suppose we are given a black box unary function  $f(x): \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ .

Using this black box, one can build a new (unitary) gate that

- takes (n + 1)-bits in and (n + 1)-bits out,
- computes *f* when proper input is given, and
- has the same computational complexity.

How?

$$|\mathbf{x}\rangle|y\rangle \xrightarrow{U_f} |\mathbf{x}\rangle|f(\mathbf{x}) \oplus y\rangle$$

where  $\oplus$  is integer mod-2.



#### Quantum Oracle for Unary Function

Suppose we are given	a constant function $f(x): \{0,1\} \rightarrow 1$ .		
		$ x\rangle y\rangle$	$U_f( x\rangle y\rangle)$
$U_f$	0> 0>	$ 0\rangle 1\rangle$	
	$ \mathbf{x}\rangle \mathbf{y}\rangle \longrightarrow  \mathbf{x}\rangle 1 \oplus \mathbf{y}\rangle$	$ 0\rangle 1\rangle$	0> 0>
		$ 1\rangle 0\rangle$	$ $ $ 1\rangle 1\rangle$
		$ 1\rangle 1\rangle$	$ 1\rangle 0\rangle$
How does <i>U<sub>f</sub></i> look?	$ 00\rangle\langle01  +  01\rangle\langle00  +  10\rangle\langle11  +  11\rangle\langle10  = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} $ $ \sigma_x: [ $	Pauli matrix

#### Unitary?

• A square matrix is unitary if it can be broken down into smaller unitary matrices along its diagonal.

Suppose we are given a unary function  $f(x): \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ .

Consider when  $x = 00 \cdots 0$ .

$ \mathbf{x}\rangle \mathbf{y}\rangle \xrightarrow{U_f}$	$ \mathbf{x}\rangle f(\mathbf{x})\oplus\mathbf{y}\rangle$
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$ \mathbf{x}\rangle y\rangle$	$f(\mathbf{x})$	$U_f( \mathbf{x}\rangle \mathbf{y}\rangle)$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$	0	$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$	0	$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$	1	$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$	1	$ 00\cdots0\rangle 0\rangle$

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$$|\mathbf{x}\rangle|y\rangle \xrightarrow{U_f} |\mathbf{x}\rangle|f(x) \oplus y\rangle$$

$ \mathbf{x}\rangle y\rangle$	$f(\mathbf{x})$	$U_f( \mathbf{x}\rangle y\rangle)$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$	0	$ 00\cdots0\rangle 0\rangle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$	0	$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$	1	$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$	1	$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$

When  $f(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ ,  $U_f$  looks like

/1	0	2	
0	1	:	
0	0		
:	•	2	
•	•	:	
$\sqrt{0}$	0		/

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$$|\mathbf{x}\rangle|\mathbf{y}\rangle \xrightarrow{U_f} |\mathbf{x}\rangle|f(\mathbf{x}) \oplus \mathbf{y}\rangle$$

$ \mathbf{x}\rangle y\rangle$	$f(\mathbf{x})$	$U_f( \mathbf{x}\rangle y\rangle)$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$	0	$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$	0	$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$
<b> 00 … 0⟩ 0⟩</b>	1	$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$
$ 00\cdots0 angle 1 angle$	1	$ 00\cdots0 angle 0 angle$

When  $f(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ ,  $U_f$  looks like



#### **Quantum Oracle for Unary Function**

Suppose we are given a unary function  $f(x): \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ .

 $|\mathbf{x}\rangle|y\rangle \xrightarrow{U_f} |\mathbf{x}\rangle|f(x) \oplus y\rangle$ 

Then  $U_f$  looks like



and it is unitary.

#### Relativized Time Complexity

- The time complexity without knowledge of the oracle's design. (If we allow small error, no speed-up.)
- Deutsch-Jozsa's algorithm offers a deterministic exponential speed-up *relative to the oracle.*
- Bernstein-Vazirani's algorithm offers a polynomial speed-up relative to the oracle. (even if small error is allowed)

#### Absolute Time Complexity

- The time complexity **with** knowledge of the oracle's design
- Shor's algorithm provides *absolute* speed-up.

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Given a quantum oracle  $O_f$ , find a (*n*-bit) target string  $x^*$ .

<u>Grover's Algorithm</u>. Requires  $\Theta(\sqrt{N})$  calls to the quantum oracle.

Let  $|\psi\rangle \coloneqq \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle + |00\cdots01\rangle + |00\cdots10\rangle + \cdots + |11\cdots11\rangle)$  be the uniform superposition. (Shorthand)  $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} |i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i} |i\rangle$  $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| = \frac{1}{N} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1\\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1\\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1\\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$ Grover operator  $G \coloneqq ((2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \otimes I_2)O_f$ The action of  $2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N$  on an arbitrary state  $|\phi\rangle = \sum_i a_i |i\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$   $I_N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$  $(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|-I_N)|\phi\rangle = \sum \left(2\frac{a_0+\cdots+a_{N-1}}{N}-a_i\right)|i\rangle$  $I_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Step 1. Perform state initialization

- (n qubits) 
$$|00\cdots0\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle + |00\cdots01\rangle + |00\cdots10\rangle + \dots + |11\cdots11\rangle)$$

- (ancillary qubit)  $|0\rangle \rightarrow \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ 

Step 2. Apply Grover operator  $\left[\frac{\pi\sqrt{N}}{4}\right]$  times

Step 3. Perform measurement on all qubit (except the ancillary qubit)

Step 1. Initialization

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$$q_{0} | 0 \rangle - H - \frac{|0 \rangle + |1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$q_{1} | 0 \rangle - H - \frac{|0 \rangle + |1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$q_{n-2} | 0 \rangle - H - \frac{|0 \rangle + |1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$q_{n-1} | 0 \rangle - H - \frac{|0 \rangle + |1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} (|00 \cdots 00\rangle + |00 \cdots 01\rangle + |00 \cdots 10\rangle + \dots + |11 \cdots 11\rangle)$$
ancilla |0 \rangle - X - H - \frac{|0 \rangle - |1}{\sqrt{2}}

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle + |00\cdots01\rangle + |00\cdots10\rangle + \dots + |11\cdots1\rangle) \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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Step 2. Apply  $G \coloneqq ((2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \otimes I_2)O_f$ 

 $|\mathbf{x}\rangle|q\rangle \rightarrow |\mathbf{x}\rangle|f(\mathbf{x}) \oplus q\rangle$ 

$$\begin{split} O_f \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} (|00 \cdots 00\rangle + |00 \cdots 01\rangle + \cdots + |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle + \cdots + |11 \cdots 11\rangle) \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left( O_f \left( |00 \cdots 00\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \cdots + O_f \left( |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \cdots + O_f \left( |11 \cdots 11\rangle \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \\ &= O_f \frac{|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle|0\rangle - |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{O_f (|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle|0\rangle) - O_f (|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle|1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &= \frac{|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle \otimes \frac{|1\rangle - |0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{split}$$

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$$\begin{split} &O_f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle+|00\cdots01\rangle+\cdots+|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle+\cdots+|11\cdots11\rangle)\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\\ &=\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(O_f\left(|00\cdots00\rangle\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)+\cdots+O_f\left(|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)+\cdots+O_f\left(|11\cdots11\rangle\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)\\ &=\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(|00\cdots00\rangle\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}+\cdots+|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle\otimes\frac{-|\mathbf{0}\rangle+|\mathbf{1}\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}+\cdots+|11\cdots11\rangle\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\\ &=\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle+|00\cdots01\rangle+\cdots+(-\mathbf{1})|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle+\cdots+|11\cdots11\rangle)\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{split}$$

Step 2. Apply  $G \coloneqq ((2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \otimes I_2)O_f$ 

$$\left((2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|-I_N)\otimes I_2\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle+|00\cdots01\rangle+\cdots+(-1)|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle+\cdots+|11\cdots11\rangle)\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$= (2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle + |00\cdots01\rangle + \dots + (-1)|x^*\rangle + \dots + |11\cdots11\rangle)\right) \otimes \left(I_2 \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$= (2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle + |00\cdots01\rangle + \dots + (-1)|x^*\rangle + \dots + |11\cdots11\rangle)\right) \otimes \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Step 2. Apply 
$$G := ((2|\psi)\langle\psi| - I_N) \otimes I_2)O_f$$
  

$$(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N)\underline{|\phi\rangle} = \sum_i \left(\frac{2}{N}(\underline{a_0 + \dots + a_{N-1}}) - a_i\right)|i\rangle$$

$$(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00 \dots 00\rangle + |00 \dots 01\rangle + \dots + (-1)|x^*\rangle + \dots + |11 \dots 11\rangle)\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{N}\frac{N-2}{\sqrt{N}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)|00 \dots 00\rangle + \dots + \left(\frac{2}{N}\frac{N-2}{\sqrt{N}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)|x^*\rangle + \dots + \left(\frac{2}{N}\frac{N-2}{\sqrt{N}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)|11 \dots 11\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(\frac{N-4}{N}|00 \dots 00\rangle + \dots + \frac{3N-4}{N}|x^*\rangle + \dots + \frac{N-4}{N}|11 \dots 11\rangle\right)$$
amplified

Step 2. Apply  $G \coloneqq ((2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \otimes I_2)O_f$  again

$$|\mathbf{x}\rangle|q\rangle \rightarrow |\mathbf{x}\rangle|f(\mathbf{x}) \oplus q\rangle$$

$$O_f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(\frac{N-4}{N}|00\cdots00\rangle+\dots+\frac{3N-4}{N}|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle+\dots+\frac{N-4}{N}|11\cdots11\rangle\right)\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$
$$=\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(\frac{N-4}{N}|00\cdots00\rangle+\dots+(-1)\frac{3N-4}{N}|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle+\dots+\frac{N-4}{N}|11\cdots11\rangle\right)\otimes\frac{|0\rangle-|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$
flipped

Step 2. Apply  $G \coloneqq ((2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| - I_N) \otimes I_2)O_f$  again

$$(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|-I_N)|\phi\rangle = \sum_i \left(\frac{2}{N}(a_0 + \dots + a_{N-1}) - a_i\right)|i\rangle$$

$$(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|-I_N)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(\frac{N-4}{N}|00\cdots00\rangle+\cdots+(-1)\frac{3N-4}{N}|\mathbf{x}^*\rangle+\cdots+\frac{N-4}{N}|11\cdots11\rangle\right)\right)$$

$$=\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\left(\frac{N^2 - 12N + 16}{N^2}|00\cdots00\rangle + \dots + \frac{5N^2 - 20N + 16}{N^2}|x^*\rangle + \dots + \frac{N^2 - 12N + 16}{N^2}|11\cdots11\rangle\right)$$
  
more amplified

Step 2. Apply G fixed amount

(informally) 
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left( \epsilon |00 \cdots 00\rangle + \dots + \left( \sqrt{N} - \epsilon' \right) |x^*\rangle + \dots + \epsilon |11 \cdots 11\rangle \right)$$
  
amplified a lot

for some small  $\epsilon, \epsilon'$ .

Step 3. Measurement

(informally) 
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} (\epsilon |00 \cdots 00\rangle + \dots + (\sqrt{N} - \epsilon') |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle + \dots + \epsilon |11 \cdots 11\rangle)$$

Obtain  $|x^*\rangle$  with probability close to 1.

# Analysis

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Why applying Grover operator (exactly)  $\left[\frac{\pi\sqrt{N}}{4}\right]$  times?

Let 
$$|\omega\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-1}} (\sum_{i} |i\rangle - |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle)$$

Note that  $|\omega\rangle$  and  $|x^*\rangle$  are orthonormal.

Note. After the step 1, the state is

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}(|00\cdots00\rangle + |00\cdots01\rangle + |00\cdots10\rangle + \dots + |11\cdots1\rangle)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{N-1}}{\sqrt{N}} |\omega\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle$$
$$= \cos\theta |\omega\rangle + \sin\theta |\mathbf{x}^*\rangle$$

 $\cos\theta |\omega\rangle + \sin\theta |x^*\rangle$ 

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Applying  $(2|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|-I_N)$  = Reflection about  $|\psi\rangle$ 

inner product  $\langle \psi || \psi^{\perp} 
angle = 0$ 



After applying k times,

 $\cos(\theta + 2k\theta) |\omega\rangle + \sin(\theta + 2k\theta) |x^*\rangle$ 

Recall 
$$\frac{\sqrt{N-1}}{\sqrt{N}} |\omega\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} |x^*\rangle = \cos\theta |\omega\rangle + \sin\theta |x^*\rangle.$$

$$-\theta = \arccos \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{N}}$$

Find k that maximizes 
$$\sin^2(\theta + 2k\theta) = \sin^2\left((2k+1) \arccos \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{N}}\right)$$

or find k such that  $\frac{\pi}{2} \sim (2k+1) \arccos \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{N}}$ 

$$k_{optimal} = \frac{\pi}{4}\sqrt{N} - \frac{1}{2} - O\left(\sqrt{1/N}\right)$$



# Applications

Factor an integer  $M = p \times q$  into p and q where p and q are primes ( $2^{2n-1} \le M < 2^{2n}$  for some n) WLOG,  $p \le \sqrt{M} < 2^n$ .

Given a function f(x) that outputs 1 if x = p; 0 otherwise Given a function  $f(x): \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ , find the target string p.

#### Grover's Algorithm.

Requires  $\frac{\pi}{4}\sqrt{N} - \frac{1}{2} - O(\sqrt{1/N})$  calls to the quantum oracle.  $(N = 2^n)$ 

<u>Shor's algorithm</u> runs in  $O(n^3 \log n)$  times, using  $O(n^2 \log n \log \log n)$  gates.

If there are t number of target strings, by calling  $k_{optimal} = \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{N/t} - \frac{1}{2} - O(\sqrt{t/N})$ 

or  $\Theta(\sqrt{N/t})$  calls to the oracle, we can find a target string.

What if the number of target strings *t* is unknown?

Theorem (Boyer et al., 1996).

There is an (randomized) algorithm that find a target string in expected time in  $O(\sqrt{N/t})$ .

Given a function  $F(x): \{0,1\}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ , find a *n*-bit string  $x^*$  that minimizes  $F(x^*)$ .

- We are given an oracle that "compares" F with some constant c.

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E.g.) F(0) = 9, F(1) = 5, F(2) = 6, F(3) = 7 (Here, n = 2.)
Suppose c = F(3) = 7.
Then, f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1, f(2) = 1, f(3) = 0.
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Construct a Grover-Search-Problem instance, i.e., given a function  $f(x): \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$ , find a *n*-bit string x<sup>\*</sup> such that  $f(x^*) = 1$  where the number of target strings, say *t*, is unknown.  $\Rightarrow O(\sqrt{N/t})$  calls to the oracle (in expectation).

E.g.) output = 2

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Step 1. Pick an index *j* uniformly at random among  $\{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$ 

Step 2. Repeat the following until the total running time is more than  $\Theta(\sqrt{N})$ :

Let  $O_f$  be the comparison oracle with c = F(j)

Construct a Grover-Search-Problem instance and run the algorithm.

Let j' be the output. Update j to j' if F(j') < F(j).

#### Theorem (Dürr and Høyer, 1996).

This algorithm finds the index of the minimum value of F with probability at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  and runs in  $\Theta(\sqrt{N})$ .

### Minimum Searching with Different Types

Given a function  $F(x): \{0,1\}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  and an onto function type $(x): \{0,1\}^n \to \{1,2,\dots,d\}$ , find  $\{x_1^*,\dots,x_d^*\}$  where  $x_i^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\operatorname{type}(x)=i} F(x)$  for each type  $i = 1,2,\dots,d$ .

Naïve application of the previous algorithm – run d times for each type, having  $\Theta(d\sqrt{N})$  running time.

Theorem (Dürr et al., 2006).

There is an algorithm solves the problem with probability at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  and runs in  $O(\sqrt{dN})$ .

### Minimum Spanning Tree

Quantumize the classical (Boruvka's algorithm) MST algorithm

input : Adjacency list-array implementation of undirected G = (V, E) with cost function  $c: E \to \mathbb{R}$ 

Initialization  $\mathcal{T} = \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \cdots, \{|V|\}\}$ 

Repeat until  $|\mathcal{T}| = 1$ :

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Return T<sub>1</sub>

Consider the directed version of the graph, i.e.,  $(u, v) \rightarrow \langle u, v \rangle, \langle v, u \rangle$ 

$$F(\langle u, v \rangle) = c((u, v))$$
 if  $\langle u, v \rangle$  is leaving some tree and  $F(\langle u, v \rangle) = \infty$  if not.

type( $\langle u, v \rangle$ ) = *i* such that  $u \in T_i$ 

Then, apply the algorithm for the Minimum Searching with Different Types (with more queries).

Let n = |V| and m = |E|.

On  $\ell^{th}$  iteration, queries  $(\ell + 2)O(\sqrt{mk})$  times.

#of queries

- Observe that  $k \leq n/2^{\ell-1}$ .

$$\sum_{\ell \ge 1} (\ell+2)O\left(\sqrt{mk}\right) \le \sum_{\ell \ge 1} (\ell+2)O\left(\sqrt{\frac{mn}{2^{\ell-1}}}\right) = O(\sqrt{nm})$$

Error probability at most

$$\sum_{\ell \ge 1} \frac{1}{2^{\ell+2}} \le \frac{1}{4}$$

Connectivity

Network flow problem. (Finding Max Flow)

Matching on graph

Graph coloring

3-SAT

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approximation algorithms

Thank you