



# Shor's Algorithm

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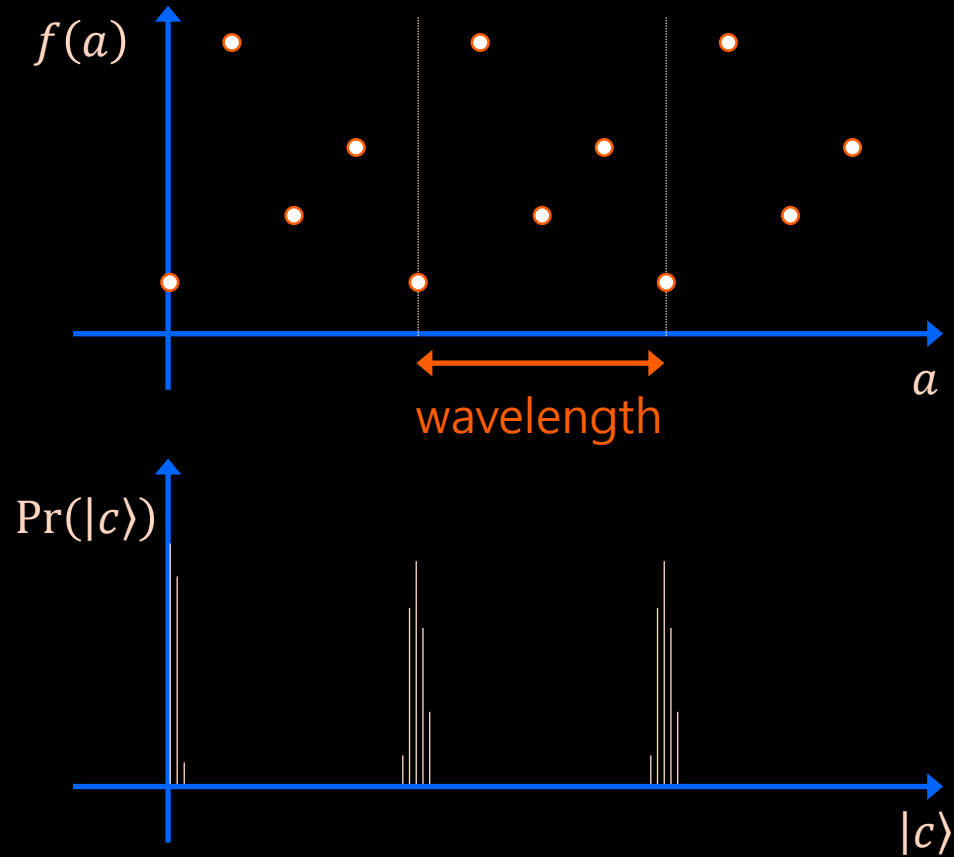
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# Quantum Computing Recap

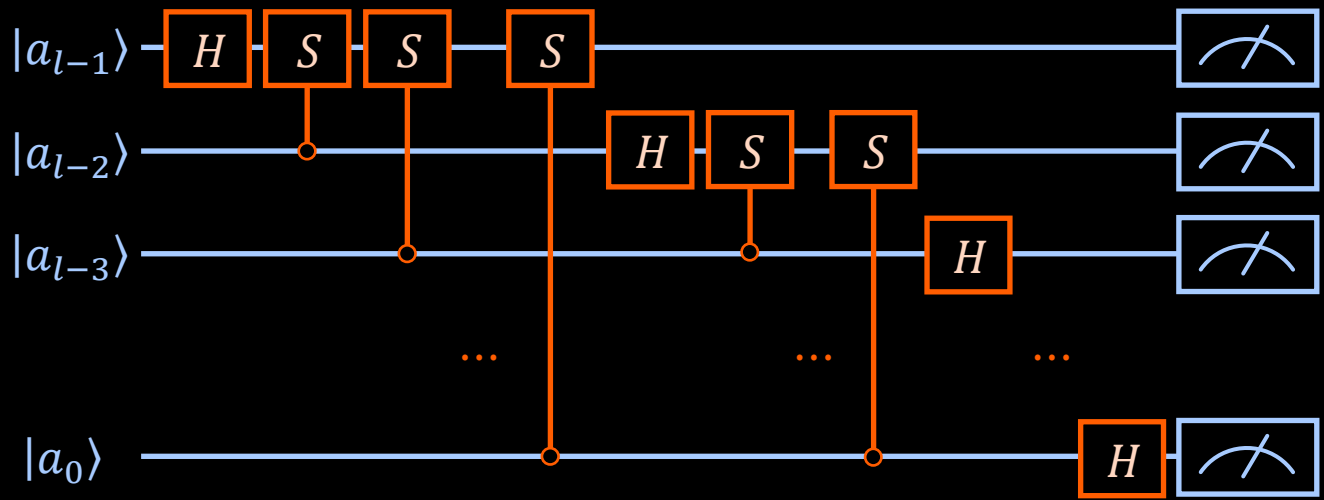
## Quantum Fourier transformation

- Given superposition of  $a$ 's entangled with function:
- computes quantum state w/ probability distribution:



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## Quantum Fourier transformation implementation



   $H$  (Hadamard) gate     
    $S$  gate

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

	$ 00\rangle$	$ 01\rangle$	$ 10\rangle$	$ 11\rangle$
$ 00\rangle$	1	0	0	0
$ 01\rangle$	0	1	0	0
$ 10\rangle$	0	0	1	0
$ 11\rangle$	0	0	0	$e^{i\pi/2^{k-j}}$

## Recall

- Let  $q = 2^l$  for some integer  $l$
- Transform state  $|a\rangle$  to state

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{c=0}^{q-1} |c\rangle \exp(2\pi i ac/q)$$

- Need  $O(l^2)$  gates

# ⚛ Preliminaries ⚛

- [Knuth'81] We can obtain  $\text{GCD}(x, y)$  for integers  $x, y$  in  $O(\log \min\{x, y\})$  time.
- [Bernstein'98] We can decide if integer  $x$  is a **prime power** in  $(\log x)^{1+o(1)}$  time.
- [Chinese remainder] For  $k$  pairwise coprime integers  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  where  $N = \prod n_i$ , there is **exactly one solution** for the system
$$x \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i} \text{ for all } i = 1, 2, \dots, k,$$
$$0 \leq x < N.$$
- [Euler's formula]  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ .
- [Complex norms]  $|z_1||z_2| = |z_1 z_2|$  for complex numbers  $z_1, z_2$ .
- [Hardy and Wright'79] We can quickly make a **fraction expansion** of a number for a given base.
- [Euler's totient function]  $\phi(r) = \#$  of numbers **coprime to  $r$**  between 1 and  $r$ .

# Problem: Integer Factorization

**Prob** Given an integer  $N$ , return two integers  $n_1, n_2 \geq 2$  such that  $n_1 n_2 = N$ .

**Alg** Traditional  $\sqrt{N}$  algorithm

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for  $i \leftarrow 2, 3, \dots, \sqrt{N}$  do
  if  $i$  divides  $N$  then
    return  $N/i, i$ 
return false
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General Number Field Sieve (GNFS)

$$\exp\left(\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{64}{9}} + o(1)\right) (\ln n)^{\frac{1}{3}} (\ln \ln(n))^{\frac{2}{3}}\right) \text{ time}$$

(best known deterministic)

Shor's Algorithm

# Shor's Algorithm: Overview

**Def** For integers  $x$  and  $n$ , the **order** of  $x$  in the multiplicative group mod  $n$  is the least integer  $r$  such that  $x^r \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

Integer  
Factorization

$x, n \rightarrow$  order of  $x$

# Shor's Algorithm: Non-Quantum Part

Alg

Factorization [Miller'76]

if  $N$  is even or a prime power, easily factorize  $N$

repeat:

pick a random number  $1 < x < N$

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return  $\langle g, N/g \rangle$

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$$N = \prod p_i^{a_i}$$

for  $i \geq 2$ , primes  $p_1, \dots, p_i$ ,  
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- How can we be sure?
- If  $\text{GCD}(x, N) \neq 1$ , we're happy ☺
- What can we do if  $\text{GCD}(x, N) = 1$ ?
- Use  $x$  to create another candidate

# Shor's Algorithm: Non-Quantum Part

By def  $r$  is the **least** integer such that  $x^r \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ .

$$x^r - 1 = QN$$

□ If  $r$  is **even**, i.e.,

$$x^r - 1 = x^{2r'} - 1 = (x^{r'} + 1)(x^{r'} - 1)$$

□ Note that,

$$\text{GCD}(x^{r'} - 1, N) \neq N$$

□ Therefore,  $N$  is composite if:

$$\text{GCD}(x^{r'} + 1, N) \neq N$$

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Assume  $N$  is not prime

$$N = \prod p_i^{a_i}$$

$$r_i = \text{order of } x \pmod{p_i^{a_i}}$$

Failure

if  $r$  is odd

$$\text{LCM}(r_i) = r \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$$

$$\therefore r_i \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \text{ for all } i$$

if  $x^{r/2} \equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

$$r_i = 2^m q_i, q_i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$$

for all  $i$  and some integer  $m \geq 1$

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Test fails when

$$r_i = 2^m q_i, q_i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, m \geq 0$$

Recall

□ [Chinese remainder] There is **exactly one solution** for the system  $x \equiv a_i \pmod{n_i}$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ,  $0 \leq x < N$ .

□ choosing  $x \in [2, N-1]$  U.A.R.  
 $\Leftrightarrow$  (large  $N$ )  
 choosing  $r_i$ 's  $\in [0, p_i^{a_i}]$  U.A.R.

□  $\text{Prob}(\text{failure}) = \sum_m \prod_i \text{Prob}(r_i \equiv 2^m q_i)$

$$< \frac{1}{2^{\#\text{prime factors}-1}} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

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Overall

$l \triangleq$  # of iterations

if  $N$  is prime, **always correct**

if  $N$  is composite, incorrect with probability at most  $1/2^l$

Running time in  $O(l(\log N + q))$

Running time of quantum submodule

To

Quantum Part



# Shor's Algorithm: Quantum Part

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Order-Finding Quantum Algorithm

$q \leftarrow$  smallest power of 2 with  $q \geq N^2$

repeat:

make uniform superposition in register 1:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{a=0}^{q-1} |a\rangle|0\rangle$$

compute  $|x^a \pmod{N}\rangle$  in register 2

perform Fourier transform in register 1

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$d/r \leftarrow$  round  $c/q$  to nearest frac w/  $r < N$

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Use **two** quantum registers

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Register 1: value computation

Register 2: condition checking

Both ranges include states from 0 to  $N - 1$

Need at least  $N^2$  states when **concatenated**

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□ Uniform superposition with Hadamard gate

□  $|x^a \pmod N\rangle$  with conditioned gates

$|x^a \pmod N\rangle$  implementation

$Pw \leftarrow 1$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, \log q - 1$ :

if  $|a\rangle[i] = 1$ :

$$Pw \leftarrow Pw \times x^{2^i}$$



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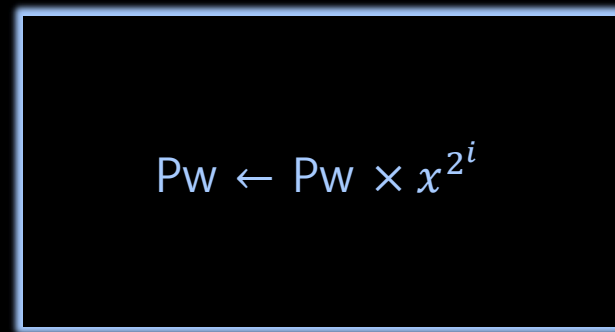
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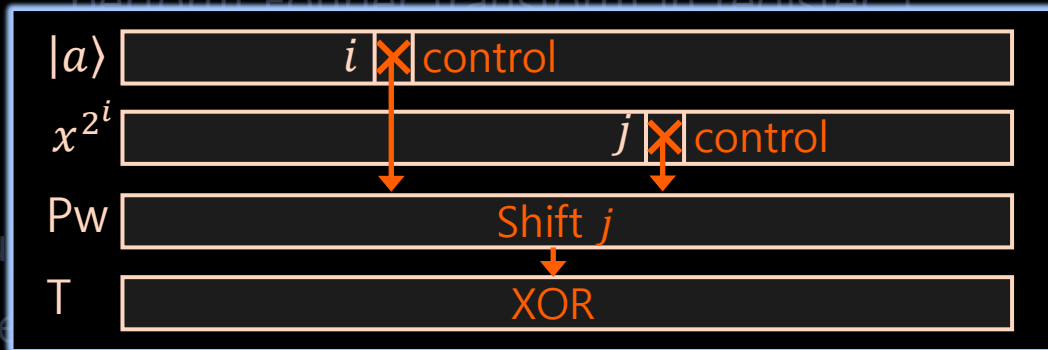
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if  $x^{2^i}[j] = 1$ :

add  $2^j \times Pw$  to  $T$

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Intuition:  
multiplication w/ base 2

Total of  $O((\log N)^2)$  gates

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{\times} a \phantom{b} \\ \times c \phantom{d} \\ \hline ad \phantom{bd} \\ + ac \phantom{bc} \\ \hline T \end{array}$$

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Before

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{a=0}^{q-1} |a\rangle |x^a \pmod{N}\rangle$$

Transform state  $|a\rangle$  to state

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{c=0}^{q-1} \exp(2\pi i ac/q) |c\rangle$$

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The **probability** of observing state  $|c, x^k \pmod N\rangle$

□ By definition of quantum state

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$$= \left| \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kc}{q}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kc}{q}\right) \right|^2 = 1$$

□ Recall  $|z_1||z_2| = |z_1 z_2|$ :

$$\left| \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i kc}{q}\right) \right|^2 \left| \frac{1}{q} \sum_{b=0}^{\lfloor (q-k-1)/r \rfloor} \exp(2\pi i brc/q) \right|^2$$

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If we let  $rc = dq + R$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp(2\pi i brc/q) \\ &= \exp(2\pi i bR/q) \exp(2\pi i bd) \\ &= \exp(2\pi i bR/q) (\cos 2\pi bd + i \sin 2\pi bd) \end{aligned}$$

□

Note that  $2bd$  is an even integer:

$$= \exp(2\pi i bR/q) (1 + i \cdot 0)$$

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□ Let  $R: R \equiv rc \pmod q, R \in \left(-\frac{q}{2}, \frac{q}{2}\right]$

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□ Approximate to integral:

$$\left| \frac{1}{q} \sum_{b=0}^{\lfloor (q-k-1)/r \rfloor} \exp(2\pi i bR/q) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{r} \int_0^{\lfloor \frac{r \lfloor (q-k-1)/r \rfloor}{q} \rfloor} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{R}{r} u\right) du + O\left(\frac{\lfloor \frac{(q-k-1)}{r} \rfloor}{q} \left(\exp\left(\frac{2\pi i R}{q}\right) - 1\right)\right)$$

Minimized when  $\frac{R}{r} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$ ,  
value at minimum =  $\frac{4}{\pi^2 r^2} \approx \frac{1}{3r^2}$

$$\approx \frac{1}{r} \int_0^1 \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{R}{r} u\right) du + O\left(\frac{1}{q}\right)$$

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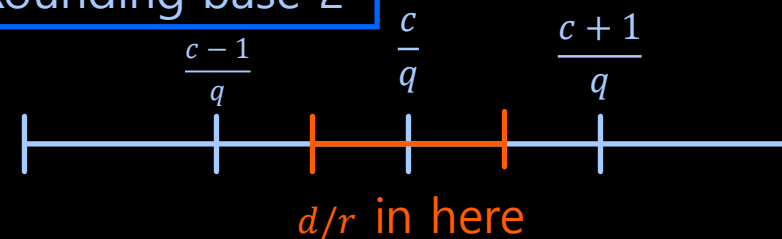
The **probability** of  $|c, x^k \pmod{N}\rangle$  at least  $\frac{1}{3r^2}$  in range

$$-\frac{r}{2} < R \leq \frac{r}{2}$$

Let  $rc = dq + R$ :

$$\left| \frac{c}{q} - \frac{d}{r} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2q}$$

Rounding base 2



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## Alg Order-Finding Quantum Algorithm

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Q. How many states  $|c, x^k \pmod N\rangle$  can we compute  $r$  this way?

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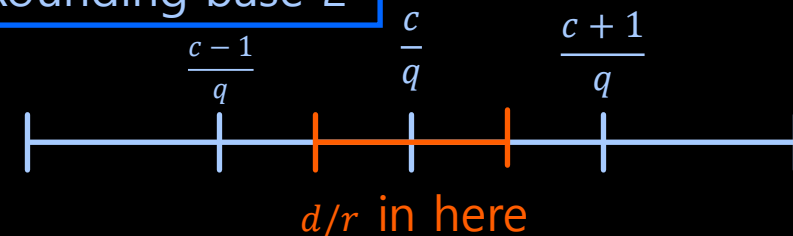
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Solve with fast fraction expansion

## Rounding base 2



## Cont.

Assume  $\exists 2+$  fractions with  $r < N$

$$\frac{d_1}{r_1} - \frac{d_2}{r_2} = \frac{d_1 r_2 - d_2 r_1}{r_1 r_2} \geq \frac{1}{r_1 r_2} > \frac{1}{N^2}$$

We chose  $q > N^2$

$$\frac{1}{N^2} > \frac{1}{q}$$

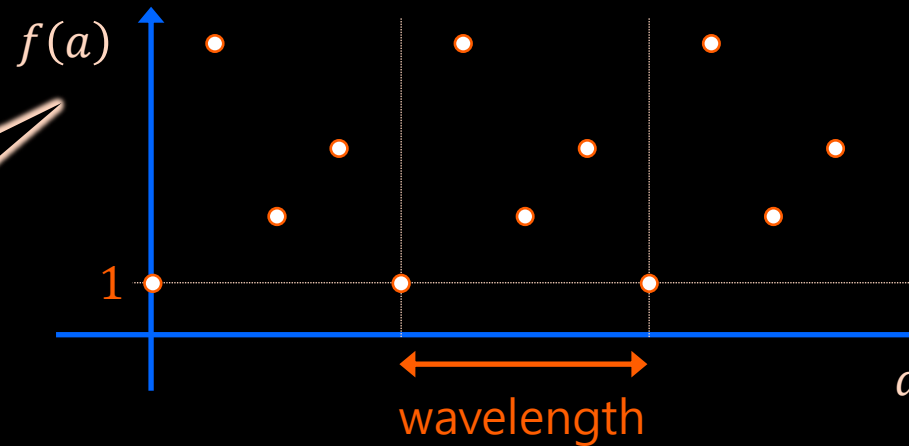
Only one fraction with  $r < N$  inside orange!

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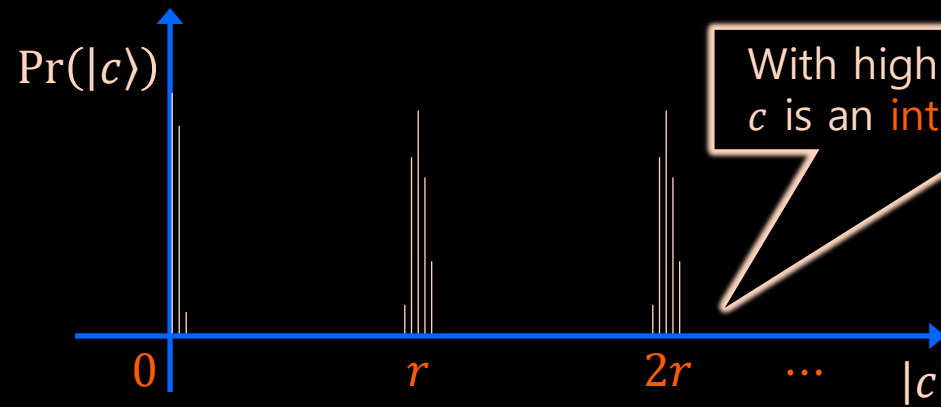
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$f(a) = x^a \pmod N$  is periodic injective

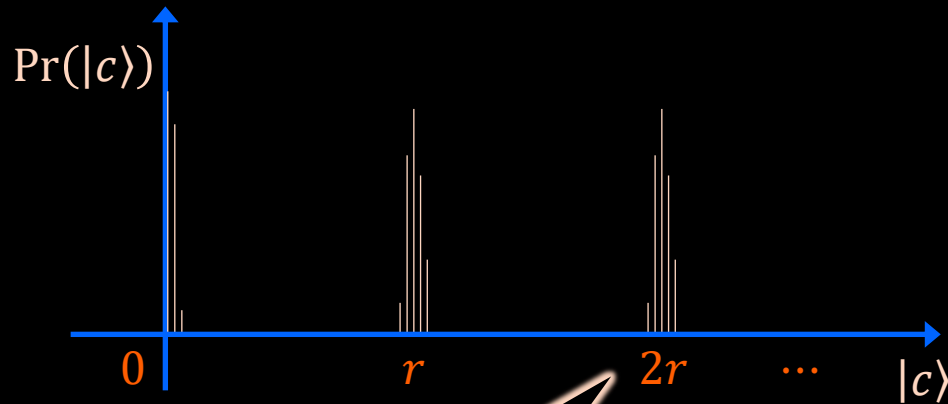


- computes quantum state w/ probability distribution:



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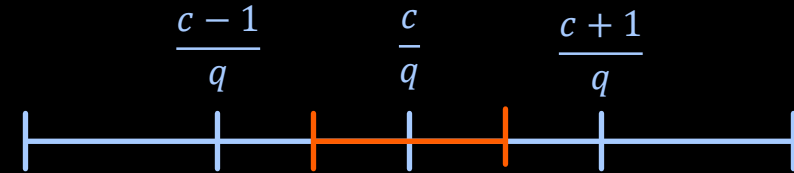
Recall: Quantum Fourier transformation



With high probability,  
 $c$  is an **integral multiple** of  $r$

How many states  $|c, x^k \pmod{N}\rangle$ ?

$$(\#d's \text{ coprime w/ } r) \cdot (\#x^k \pmod{N}) = \phi(r) \cdot r$$



At most one  $d/r$  in here

- $q$ : fixed, know
- $r$ : fixed, don't know, **coprime w/  $d$**
- $c$ : not fixed, observe
- $d$ : at most one for each  $(q, r, c)$

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Order-Finding Quantum Algorithm

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repeat:

make uniform superposition in register 1:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{a=0}^{q-1} |a\rangle|0\rangle$$

compute  $|x^a \pmod{N}\rangle$  in register 2

perform Fourier transform in register 1

$c \leftarrow$  observation result

$d/r \leftarrow$  round  $c/q$  to nearest frac w/  $r < N$

until we are confident

return  $r$

We have

□ Obtain correct  $r$  for  $r\phi(r)$  choices of  $|c, x^k \pmod{N}\rangle$

□ The probability of each  $|c, x^k \pmod{N}\rangle$  at least  $\frac{1}{3r^2}$

□ Obtain correct  $r$  with probability at least

$$\frac{r\phi(r)}{3r^2} > \frac{\delta}{3 \log \log r}$$

for some constant  $\delta$

□ Repeat  $O(\log \log r)$  times to be sure

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Overall

- $O(\log \log r)$  iterations
- $|x^a \pmod{N}\rangle$  and QFT both use  $O((\log N)^2)$  gates
- overall # gates and running time polynomial in  $\log N$

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Factorization [Miller'76]

if  $N$  is even or a prime power, easily factorize  $N$

repeat:

pick a random number  $1 < x < N$

if  $\text{GCD}(x, N) \neq 1$

$g \leftarrow \text{GCD}(x, N)$

return  $\langle g, N/g \rangle$

$r \leftarrow$  order of  $x \pmod{N}$

if  $r$  is even and  $x^{r/2} \not\equiv -1 \pmod{N}$

$g \leftarrow \text{GCD}(x^{r/2} - 1, N)$

return  $\langle g, N/g \rangle$

until confident

return prime

Overall

- $l \triangleq$  # of iterations
- if  $N$  is prime, **always correct**
- if  $N$  is composite, incorrect with probability at most  $1/2^l$
- Running time in  $O(l(\log N + q))$

Running time of quantum submodule polynomial in  $\log N$



From  
Quantum Part





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