

Basic quantum algorithms: Deutsch-Jozsa,  
Bernstein-Vazirani, Shor factoring classical part



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# Promise algorithms vs. unstructured search

Quantum algorithms offer (exponential) speedup in “promise” problems

A progression of related algorithms:

1. Deutsch's

2. Deutsch-Jozsa *or*

3. Bernstein-Vazirani *↕*

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4. Simon's *}*

5. Shor's *↗*

$$f(x) = f(x \oplus \alpha)$$

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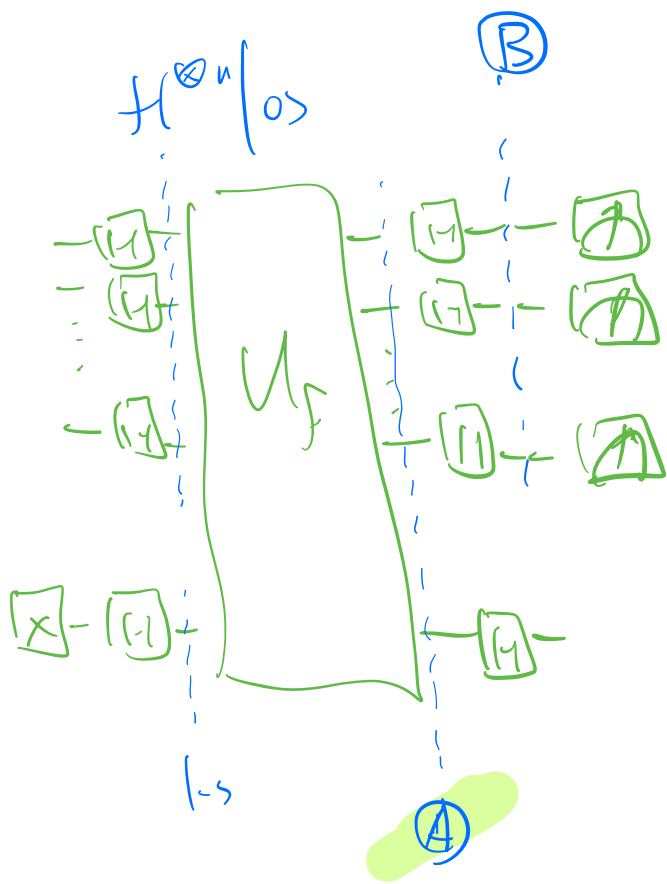
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# Deutsch-Jozsa algorithm: Deutsch's algorithm for the $n > 1$ case

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# Deutsch's algorithm: Deutsch-Jozsa for the $n = 1$ case

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## Lemma: the Hadamard transform

$$H^{\otimes n} |c\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{m=0}^{2^n-1} (-1)^{c \cdot m} |m\rangle$$



$$\begin{aligned} H^{\otimes n} |c\rangle &= H |c_0\rangle \otimes H |c_1\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes H |c_{n-1}\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + (-1)^{c_0} |1\rangle \right) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + (-1)^{c_1} |1\rangle \right) \otimes \dots \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + (-1)^{c_{n-1}} |1\rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{m=0}^{2^n-1} (-1)^{c_0 m_0 + c_1 m_1 + \dots + c_{n-1} m_{n-1} \pmod{2}} |m\rangle \end{aligned}$$

► Try it out for  $n = 1$ :  $H^{\otimes 1} |c\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{1/2}} \sum_{m=0}^{2^1-1} (-1)^{c \cdot m} |m\rangle =$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1)^0 |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-1)^c |1\rangle = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle = |+\rangle & \text{if } |c\rangle = |0\rangle \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle = |-\rangle & \text{if } |c\rangle = |1\rangle \end{cases}$$

$$c \cdot m = (c_0 m_0 + c_1 m_1 + \dots + c_{n-1} m_{n-1}) \pmod{2}$$

$$= c_0 m_0 \oplus c_1 m_1 \oplus \dots \oplus c_{n-1} m_{n-1}$$

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$$\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{array}{c|c} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} & \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \end{array}$$

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$$|\psi\rangle = |c\rangle \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -|1\rangle \\ -|1\rangle \\ \vdots \\ -|1\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

e.g.  $|c\rangle = |00\dots 0\rangle, |00\dots 1\rangle, \dots, |11\dots 1\rangle$

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6. Probability of measuring upper register to get  $m = 0$ :

$$\left| \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{c=0}^{2^n-1} (-1)^{f(c)} \right|^2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f \text{ is constant} \\ 0 & \text{if } f \text{ is balanced} \end{cases}$$

# Deutsch Algo $n=1$

	$f_0$	$f_1$	$f_2$	$f_3$
$f(0)$	0	0	1	1
$f(1)$	0	1	0	1
	$c$	$b$	$b$	$c$

# Deutsch Jozsa Algo, e.g. $n=2$

	$f_0$			$f_1$				$f_2$			$f_3$			
$f(00)$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
$f(01)$	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
$f(10)$	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
$f(11)$	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
	$c$			$b$	$b$	$b$			$b$	$b$			$b$	$c$

# D-J Algo e.g. $n=3$

	$f_0$	$f_1$	$f_2$	...	$f_{255}$
$f(000)$	0	0	0		1
$f(001)$	0	0	0		1
$f(010)$	0	0	0		1
$f(011)$	0	0	0		1
$f(100)$	0	0	1		1
$f(101)$	0	0	1		1
$f(110)$	0	0	1		1
$f(111)$	$c$	$x$	$b$		$c$

140 balanced

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# The factoring problem

## One way functions for cryptography

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2. Best known classical algorithm to factor a  $b$ -bit number: on order of about  $2^{\sqrt[3]{b}}$  time.
  - ▶ Makes multiplying large primes a candidate one-way function.
  - ▶ It's an open question of mathematics to prove whether one way functions exist.

## Public key cryptography

Numberphile YouTube channel explanation of RSA public key cryptography:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M7kEpw1tn50>



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## Quantum integer factoring algorithm

- ▶ Quantum algorithm to factor a  $b$ -bit number:  $b^3$ .
- ▶ Peter Shor, 1994.
- ▶ Important example of quantum algorithm offering exponential speedup.

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# The classical part: converting factoring to order finding / period finding

## General strategy for the classical part

1. Factoring
2. Modular square root
3. Discrete logarithm
4. Order finding
5. Period finding

The fact that a quantum algorithm can support all these primitives leads to additional ways that future quantum computing can be useful / threatening to existing cryptography.

# Factoring

$$N = pq$$

$$N = 15 = 3 \times 5$$

# Modular square root

Finding the modular square root

$$s^2 \pmod N = 1$$

$$s = \sqrt{1} \pmod N$$

Trivial roots would be  $s = \pm 1$ .

- ▶ Are there other (nontrivial) square roots?
- ▶ For  $N = 15$ ,  $s = \pm 4$ ,  $s = \pm 11$ ,  $s = \pm 14$  are all nontrivial square roots. (Show this).
- ▶ Later in these slides, we will see how nontrivial square roots are useful for factoring.

# Discrete log

1. Pick  $a$  that is relatively prime with  $N$ .
2. Efficient to test if relatively prime by finding GCD using Euclid's algorithm.  
For example,  $a=6$  and  $n=15$ .

**Exercise:** list the possible  $a$ 's for  $N = 15$ .

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So now our factoring problem is:

$$a^r \pmod N = 1$$

$$a^r \equiv 1 \pmod N$$

In fact, this algorithm for finding discrete log even more directly attacks other crypto primitives such as Diffie-Hellman key exchange.

# Order finding

Our discrete log problem is equivalent to order finding.

	$a^1 \pmod{15}$	$a^2 \pmod{15}$	$a^3 \pmod{15}$	$a^4 \pmod{15}$
a=2	2	4	8	1
a=4	4	1	4	1
a=7	7	4	13	1
a=8	8	4	2	1
a=11	11	1	11	1
a=13	13	4	7	1
a=14	14	1	14	1

Find smallest  $r$  such that  $a^r \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$



# Period finding

In other words, the problem by now can also be phrased as finding the period of a function.

$$f(x) = f(x + r)$$

Where

$$f(x) = a^x = a^{x+r} \pmod{N}$$

Find  $r$ .

# What to do after quantum algorithm gives you $r$

- ▶ If  $r$  is odd or if  $a^{\frac{r}{2}} + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$ , abandon.
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Otherwise, factors are  $\text{GCD}(a^{\frac{r}{2}} \pm 1, N)$

$a=2$	$r=4$	$2^2 \pm 1 = 4 \pm 1$	
$a=4$	$r=2$	$4^1 \pm 1 = 4 \pm 1$	
$a=7$	$r=4$	$7^2 \pm 1 = 49 \pm 1$	
$a=8$	$r=4$	$8^2 \pm 1 = 64 \pm 1$	
$a=11$	$r=2$	$11^1 \pm 1 = 11 \pm 1$	
$a=13$	$r=4$	$13^2 \pm 1 = 169 \pm 1$	
$a=14$	$r=2$	$14^2 \pm 1 = 196 \pm 1$	(bad case)

Notice why we discarded 14.

# Proof why this works and why factoring is modular square root

$$a^r \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$$

So now  $a^{\frac{r}{2}}$  is a nontrivial square root of 1 mod N.

$$a^r - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

$$(a^{\frac{r}{2}} - 1)(a^{\frac{r}{2}} + 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

The above implies that

$$\frac{(a^{\frac{r}{2}} - 1)(a^{\frac{r}{2}} + 1)}{N}$$

is an integer. So now we have to prove that

1.  $\frac{a^{\frac{r}{2}} - 1}{N}$  is not an integer, and
2.  $\frac{a^{\frac{r}{2}} + 1}{N}$  is not an integer.

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Suppose  $\frac{a^{\frac{r}{2}}-1}{N}$  is an integer

that would imply

$$a^{\frac{r}{2}} - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

$$a^{\frac{r}{2}} \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$$

but we already defined  $r$  is the smallest such that  $a^r \equiv 1 \pmod{N}$ , so there is a contradiction, so  $\frac{a^{\frac{r}{2}}-1}{N}$  is not an integer.

Suppose  $\frac{a^{\frac{r}{2}}+1}{N}$  is an integer

that would imply

$$a^{\frac{r}{2}} + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

but we already eliminated such cases because we know this doesn't give us a useful result.