

Lecture 8, 29 Sep 2020

# '93 Bernstein-Vazirani

$n$  bit    1-bit     $m=1$

artificial? but unambiguous speed-up

choose some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}^n$

$$f(x) = a \cdot x = \bigoplus a_i x_i \quad \begin{matrix} \text{bitwise} \\ \text{XOR} \end{matrix}$$

How many invocations of  $f$   
to determine  $a$ ?

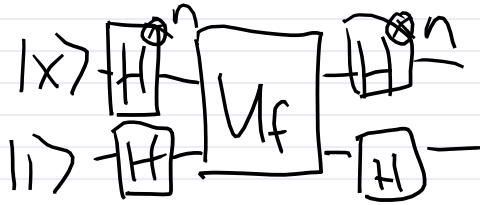
Classically takes  $n$   $m^{\text{th}}$

choose  $x = 2^m$   $x = (0, \dots, 0, \underbrace{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$\text{then } x \cdot a = a_m$$

$m = 0, \dots, n-1$  so  $n$  times to

determine  
each bit of  $a$



"phase kickback"

$$U_f |x\rangle_n \underbrace{+ (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)}_{f(x)} = (-1) |x\rangle_n \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)}$$

need  $H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle$

$$H|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + (-1)^x |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{y=0}^1 (-1)^{xy} |y\rangle$$

$$H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle_n = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{y_1=0}^1 \dots \sum_{y_n=0}^1 (-1)^{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i y_i} |y_{n-1} \dots y_0\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 \leq y < 2^n} (-1)^{\stackrel{x \cdot y}{\uparrow}} |y\rangle$$

bitwise dot product mod 2

e.g.  $n=2$

$$H^{\otimes 2} |00\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

$$H^{\otimes 2} |01\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|00\rangle - |01\rangle + |10\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \pm \left( |0\rangle - |1\rangle \right)$$

Will also need this identity

$$\sum_{x_i=0} \sum_{x_0=0} (-1)^{(a_0+y_0)x_0 + (a_i+y_i)x_i}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{x_i=0} (-1)^{(a_i+y_i)x_i} \right) \left( \sum_{x_0=0} (-1)^{(a_0+y_0)x_0} \right)$$

so  $\sum_x (-1)^{a \cdot x + y \cdot x} = \prod_j \sum_{x_j=0} (-1)^{(a_j+y_j)x_j}$

if any  $\begin{cases} a_j \neq y_j & (-1)^0 + (-1)^1 \\ a_j = y_j & (-1)^0 + (-1)^0 = 2 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow 2^n \delta_{a,y}$

$$(H^{\otimes n} \otimes H) U_f (H^{\otimes n} \otimes H) |0\rangle_n |1\rangle$$

$$H^{\otimes n} \otimes H U_f \left( \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} |x\rangle \langle x| - |1\rangle \langle 1| \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \left[ H^{\otimes n} \sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle \langle x| \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \left[ \sum_x \sum_y (-1)^{a \cdot x + x \cdot y} |y\rangle \langle y| \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_y 2^n \delta_{a,y} |y\rangle \langle y|$$

$$= |a\rangle_n |1\rangle!$$

apply  $U_f$  once, measure input gives  $a$ , such that  $f(x) = a \cdot x$   
 factor of  $n$  speedup

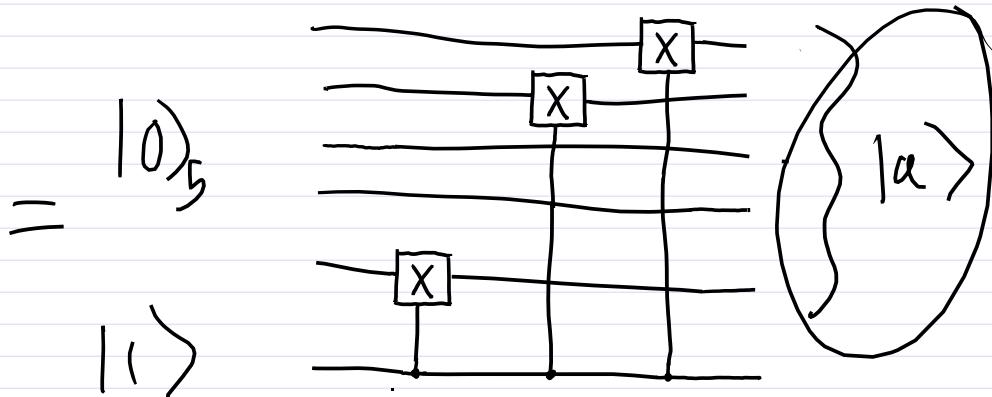
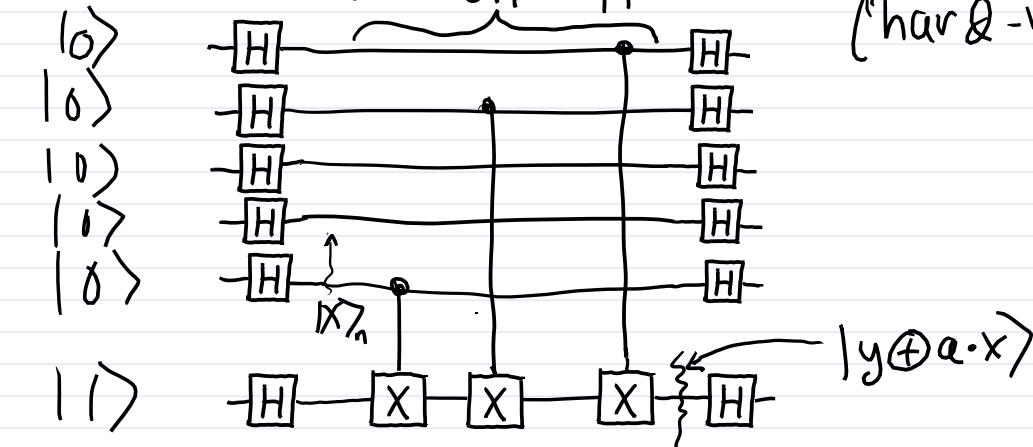
Alternatively (from last time):

$$U_f |x\rangle_n |y\rangle = |x\rangle_n |y \oplus a \cdot x\rangle, \quad a = 11001$$

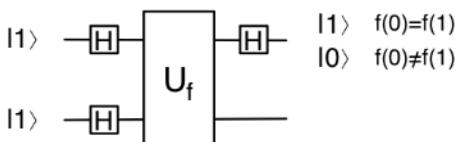
$$H^{\otimes n+1} U_f H^{\otimes n+1}$$

$$n=5$$

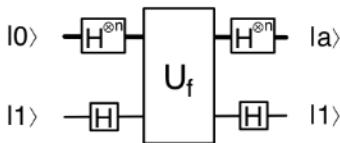
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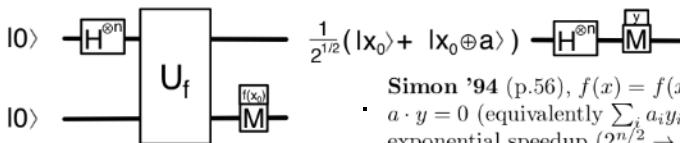
measure input bits, gives  $|a\rangle$ !  
Single invocation of  $U_f$



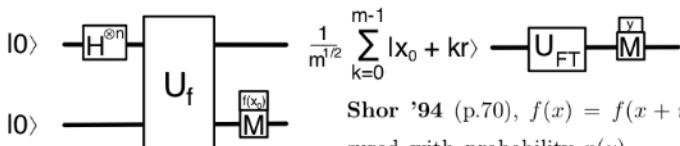
**Deutsch '92** (p.44), factor of 2 speedup to determine whether or not 1bit $\rightarrow$ 1bit function  $f(x)$  is constant



**Bernstein-Vazirani '93** (p.52),  $f(x) = a \cdot x \equiv \oplus_i a_i x_i$ , factor of  $n$  speedup to determine  $a$



**Simon '94** (p.56),  $f(x) = f(x \oplus a)$ , measured  $y$  has  $a \cdot y = 0$  (equivalently  $\sum_i a_i y_i = 0 \bmod 2$ ), exponential speedup ( $2^{n/2} \rightarrow O(n)$ ) to determine  $a$

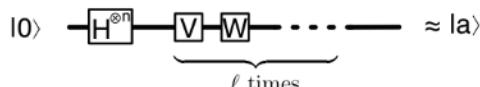
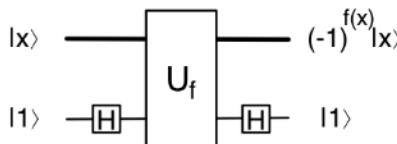


**Shor '94** (p.70),  $f(x) = f(x + r)$ , resulting  $y$  is measured with probability  $p(y) = \frac{1}{2^n m} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} e^{2\pi i k r y / 2^n} \right|^2$ , gives  $|y - 2^n/r| < 1/2$  with  $p > .4$ , sufficient to determine

period  $r$  via partial fraction expansion, exponential speedup ( $n2^n, \exp(n^{1/3}) \rightarrow O(n^3)$ ).

(Note: replaces  $\mathbf{H}^{\otimes n}|x\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 \leq y < 2^n} e^{i\pi x \cdot y} |y\rangle$  with  $\mathbf{U}_{FT}|x\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 \leq y < 2^n} e^{2\pi i x y / 2^n} |y\rangle$ .)

Practical application is  $f(x) \equiv b^x \bmod N$ , where  $b \equiv a^c \bmod N$  is an encrypted message, from which  $d'$ , satisfying  $cd' \equiv 1 \bmod r$ , can be calculated, and  $d'$  recovers unencrypted message  $a \equiv b^{d'} \bmod N$  (in contrast to using  $d$ , with  $cd = 1 \bmod (p-1)(q-1)$ , where  $N = pq$  and  $r$  divides  $(p-1)(q-1) = |G_{pq}|$ ).



**Grover '96** (p.90),  $f(x) = 1$  only for  $(m)$  marked value(s)  $x = a$ , uses “phase kickback” to express  $\mathbf{U}_f$  in terms of  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{1} - 2|a\rangle\langle a|$ , and  $\mathbf{W} = 2|\phi\rangle\langle\phi| - \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{H}^{\otimes n}(2|0\rangle\langle 0| - \mathbf{1})\mathbf{H}^{\otimes n}$  is easily constructed. Applying  $\ell \approx \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{2^{n/2}}{\sqrt{m}}$  times gives probability  $p(a) \approx 1 - O(m/2^n)$ , for square-root speedup ( $2^n/m \rightarrow \sqrt{2^n/m}$ ).

# Simon's problem

Exponential Speed-up

$f: n \rightarrow n - 1$  bits

$$f(x) = f(y) \text{ iff } x = y \oplus a$$

[precursor to  $f(x) = f(x+r)$ ]

Classically, how to determine  $a$ ?

Try  $x_0, x_1, x_2 \dots$

if get lucky:  $f(x_i) = f(x_j)$

$$x_i = x_j \oplus a \Leftrightarrow a = x_j \oplus x_i$$

but if not lucky, then we  
know  $a \neq x_i \oplus x_j$  for any  
pair so far

So if we try  $m$  values  $x_0 \dots x_{m-1}$   
then at most\* we've excluded

$$\binom{m}{2} = \frac{m(m-1)}{2} \text{ values of } a$$

In order to exclude all  
but one value of  $a$ , how many  
values of  $\{x_k\}$  necessary?

$$\text{need } \frac{m(m-1)}{2} \approx 2^n \quad n/2 \\ \Leftrightarrow m \approx 2^{n/2}$$

\*unless "carelessly" choose  $x_l = x_i \oplus x_j \oplus x_k$   
then  $x_l \oplus x_{i,j,k}$  doesn't exclude any new  
pairs

classically to determine  $n$  bit  $a$ ,  
need  $\sim 2^{n/2}$  invocations of  $f$ .

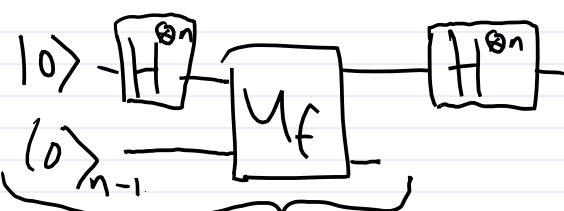
Quantumly: need  $O(n+\alpha)$

E.g. For  $n=100$   $2^{n/2} = 2^{50} \sim 10^{15}$   
at 10M/sec  $\rightarrow 3$  yrs

with QM take only 120 invocations  
to get a (with probability  
 $> 1 - 10^{-6}$ )

$$U_f |x\rangle_n |y\rangle_{n-1} = |x\rangle_n |y \oplus f(x)\rangle_{n-1}$$

$$U_f H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle |0\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 \leq x < 2^n} |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$$



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

$$\frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 \leq x < 2^n} |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$$

measure output, collapses to

$$\sqrt{\sum} \left( |x_0\rangle + |x_0 \oplus a\rangle \right) |f(x_0)\rangle$$

but only get one of two  
by measuring input (+ can't  
clone above state.)

But we can apply an operator  
before measuring inputs.

We renounce learning  $x_0, x_0 \oplus a$  values  
but we can learn a relation between  
them: their mod 2 sum

$$H^{\otimes n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|x_0\rangle + |x_0 \oplus a\rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{(n+1)/2}} \sum \left( (-1)^{x_0 \cdot y} + (-1)^{(x_0 \oplus a) \cdot y} \right) |y\rangle$$

$$(-1)^{(x_0 \oplus a) \cdot y} = (-1)^{x_0 \cdot y} (-1)^{a \cdot y}$$

coeff of  $|y\rangle$  is 0 if  $a \cdot y = 1$   
 $(-1)^{x_0 \cdot y} - (-1)^{x_0 \cdot y} = 0$  else 2

So

$$= \frac{1}{2^{(n-1)/2}} \sum_{y | y \cdot a = 0} (-1)^{x_0 \cdot y} |y\rangle$$

(sum is over only  $y$  with  $y \cdot a = 0$ )

measure: gives some  $y$  st.  $y \cdot a = 0$   
 Each such  $y$  constrains value of  $a$   
 to live in orthogonal subspace.

e.g.  $n=3$ , need to find  $\alpha = (a_2, a_1, a_0)$

measure  $y = 101 \quad a_0 + a_2 = 0$

$y = 010 \quad a_1 = 0$

since  $a_1 \neq 0$ , constraints  $\alpha = 101$

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classically  $f$  once gives no info on  $a$   
 $f$  twice excludes one value of  $a$

quantumly  $f$  once excludes half the possible values,  $f$  again excludes half again, so twice excludes  $3/4$  of possible values

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if really lucky can get first  $n-1$  linearly independent (and non-zero) values of  $y$ , and hence determine  $\alpha$ .

in general, need  $n+d$  values of  $y$  to have  $> 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$  probability of  $n-1$  linearly independent