An Introduction to Quantum Information and Applications



Quantum information and computation

- Quantum information and computation
 - How is information encoded in nature?
 - What is nature's computational power?
- Moore's law: quantum phenomena will appear by 2020
- Rich Mathematical Theory
 - Advances in Classical Computer Science
 - Advances in Theoretical & Experimental Physics
 - Advances in Information Theory



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The power of Quantum Computing

- Quantum algorithm for Factoring and Discrete Logarithm [Shor 93]
- Unconditionally Secure Key Distribution [Bennett-Brassard 84]
- Quantum computers unlikely to solve NP-complete problems [Bernstein Bennett Brassard Vazirani 94]



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- Superdense Coding
- Teleportation

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- Deutsch-Jozsa
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- 4) Communication Complexity
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 - Exponential Separations

Quantum States

- Quantum bit is a unit vector in a 2-dim. Hilbert space ${\cal H}$

$$a_{0}|0\rangle + a_{1}|1\rangle, \quad a_{0}, a_{1} \in \mathcal{C}, \ |a_{0}|^{2} + |a_{1}|^{2} = 1$$
$$|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \ |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1 \end{pmatrix}, \ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\-1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• A quantum state on logn qubits is a unit vector in $\mathcal{H}^{\otimes \log n}$

$$|\phi\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i |i\rangle, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |a_i|^2 = 1 \qquad |\varphi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle \varphi | = (a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n)$$

• Inner product: $\langle arphi \psi
angle$

<u>Measurements on Quantum States</u>

- A measurement of $|\phi\rangle$ in an orthonormal basis $\{b_1,b_2,\ldots,b_n\}$ is a projection onto the basis vectors and

Pr[outcome is b_i] = $|\langle \phi | b_i \rangle|^2$

• Examples

 $|\phi\rangle = a_0|0\rangle + a_1|1\rangle, \quad \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

 $\Pr{ob[outcome|0\rangle]} = \left| \langle 0|\phi \rangle \right|^2 = \left| a_0 \langle 0|0 \rangle + a_1 \langle 0|1 \rangle \right|^2 = \left| a_0 \right|^2$ $\Pr{ob[outcome|1\rangle]} = \left| \langle 1|\phi \rangle \right|^2 = \left| a_0 \langle 1|0 \rangle + a_1 \langle 1|1 \rangle \right|^2 = \left| a_1 \right|^2$

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$$\begin{split} |\phi\rangle &= a_0 |0\rangle + a_1 |1\rangle, \quad \{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)\} \\ \Pr{ob[outcome \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)]} &= \left|\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} a_0 \langle 0|0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} a_1 \langle 1|1\rangle\right|^2 = \frac{1}{2} + a_0 a_1 \\ \Pr{ob[outcome \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)]} &= \left|\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} a_0 \langle 0|0\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} a_1 \langle 1|1\rangle\right|^2 = \frac{1}{2} - a_0 a_1 \end{split}$$

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 $|\phi\rangle = a_{00}|00\rangle + a_{01}|01\rangle + a_{10}|10\rangle + a_{11}|11\rangle, \quad \{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |11\rangle\}$

Prob[outcome
$$|00\rangle$$
] = $|a_{00}|^2$
• Note that $|00\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix}1\\0\end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix}1\\0\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}1\\0\\0\\0\\0\end{pmatrix}$

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- IMPORTANT REMARK
 - What is the final state after the measurement?
 - The state changes to the basis state
 - Hence, no more information in it about the a_i's.
 - If I repeat the measurement I always get the same basis vector.

Unitary Evolution

• Unitary matrix: inner product/length preserving, linear

$$U|\varphi\rangle = U\left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i |i\rangle\right) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i U|i\rangle$$

$$|0\rangle \xrightarrow{X} |1\rangle , |1\rangle \xrightarrow{X} |0\rangle$$

• Phase Flip gate _____Z $|0\rangle \xrightarrow{Z} |0\rangle$, $|1\rangle \xrightarrow{Z} -|1\rangle$

Unitary Evolution cont.

• Hadamard Gate
$$|0\rangle \xrightarrow{H} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \quad , \quad |1\rangle \xrightarrow{H} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

• Control NOT gate $|00\rangle \xrightarrow{CNOT} |00\rangle, |01\rangle \xrightarrow{CNOT} |01\rangle,$ $|10\rangle \xrightarrow{CNOT} |11\rangle, |11\rangle \xrightarrow{CNOT} |10\rangle$

Superdense Coding

- Transmitting 2 bits with 1 qubit Alice and Bob share the above state $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle|0\rangle + |1\rangle|1\rangle$
 - Alice wants to transmit the bits b_1b_2 to Bob



<u>Teleportation</u>

- Teleporting a qubit with 2 bits
 - Alice and Bob share the state $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle|0\rangle+|1\rangle|1\rangle$
 - Alice wants to transmit an unknown qubit to Bob



$$\begin{aligned} & \left(a_{0}|0\rangle+a_{1}|1\rangle\right) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(|0\rangle|0\rangle+|1\rangle|1\rangle\right) \xrightarrow{CNOT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(a_{0}|000\rangle+a_{1}|110\rangle+a_{0}|011\rangle+a_{1}|101\rangle\right) \\ & \xrightarrow{H} \frac{1}{2}|00\rangle\left(a_{0}|0\rangle+a_{1}|1\rangle\right) + \frac{1}{2}|01\rangle\left(a_{0}|1\rangle+a_{1}|0\rangle\right) + \frac{1}{2}|10\rangle\left(a_{0}|0\rangle-a_{1}|1\rangle\right) + \frac{1}{2}|11\rangle\left(a_{0}|1\rangle-a_{1}|0\rangle\right) \\ & \xrightarrow{Z^{b_{1}}X^{b_{2}}} \left(a_{0}|0\rangle+a_{1}|1\rangle\right) \end{aligned}$$

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Quantum Queries

Let f: X -> Y
Goal: Does f have a certain property?
Classical Query: "What is the value of
$$f(x)$$
?"
 $x \xrightarrow{o_f} f(x)$

Example: Is f linear or far from linear? 3 Queries u.a.r.: f(x),f(y),f(x+y). Check f(x)+f(y)=f(x+y)

Quantum Query

 $\begin{aligned} |x\rangle|b\rangle &\xrightarrow{o_f} |x\rangle|b \oplus f(x)\rangle \\ \text{But, quantum operations are linear!} \\ |0...0\rangle|0\rangle &\xrightarrow{H} \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \xrightarrow{o_f} \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle|f(x)\rangle \end{aligned}$

Deutsch-Jozsa Algorithm

Let f: $\{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ Goal: Is f identically zero or balanced? Classical Query: $x \xrightarrow{o_f} f(x)$

deterministic: $2^{n-1}+1$ randomized: k queries, error probability 2^{-k}

Quantum
$$|x\rangle|b\rangle \xrightarrow{o_f} |x\rangle|b\oplus f(x)\rangle$$

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 $\xrightarrow{Z \text{ on } 2nd} \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{f(x)}|x\rangle|f(x)\rangle \xrightarrow{o_f} \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{f(x)}|x\rangle|0\rangle$
 $\xrightarrow{H} \begin{cases} |0...0\rangle & \text{if } f = 0 \\ \sum_{y \in \{0,1\}^n} a_y|y\rangle, \text{with } a_0 = 0, \text{ if } f \text{ balanced} \end{cases}$

More Algorithms

- Simon's problem
 Let f: {0,1}ⁿ -> {0,1}ⁿ
 Promise: f(x)=f(x+a) and f(x) ≠ f(y), y≠x+a (2-periodic)
 Goal: Find a
 Randomized: 2^{n/2}
 Quantum: O(n), by finding each time a random y, st. y.a=0
- Period Finding [Shor94]

Let f: Z_N -> C Promise: f is periodic Goal: Find period Quantum: Easy algorithm, based on Fourier Transform

Factoring = Period Finding

- Seach an unordered list: $O(\sqrt{n})$ queries [Grover97]

2) Algorithms: Open Problems

- Find New Algorithms
 - Graph Isomorphism?
 - Lattice Problems?
 - Hidden Subgroup Problems?
 - other...
- Exponential speedup (possibly)
 - Factoring, Discrete Log, Pell's Equality,...
- Quadratic speedup (provably)
 - Grover's Search, Quantum walk-based algorithms,...

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3) Cryptography



- Current cryptography based on computational assumptions (e.g. hardness of factoring)
- Many such problems become insecure against a quantum adversary
- Can we use quantum interaction to achieve unconditionally secure cryptography?

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- Remarks: If there is no Eve, then they agree on the value of all these bits.
 - If Eve has got information about the key, then with high probability Alice and Bob will disagree on some bits.

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 - If they agree, they use the rest as the key (~ 1/4)
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3. Alice and Bob reveal publicly the encodings b,b'. Keep the bits for which $b_i = b'_i$ (~ half)

- 4. Alice and Bob reveal publicly the values of $a_i = a'_i$ for half of the bits for which $b_i = b'_i$
 - If they agree, they use the rest as the key (~ 1/4)
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3) Cryptography: Open Problems

- Other Cryptographic Primitives
 - Oblivious Transfer
 - Coin Flipping
 - Bit Commitment
- Practical Quantum Cryptography



• Commercial systems for QKD

• Classical cryptography secure against quantum

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- Examples: Is x=y?, Find an i such that $x_i \neq y_i$
- Applications of Communication Complexity
 VLSI design, Boolean circuits, Data structures,
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Quantum Communication Complexity



(minimum communication)

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Encoding Information with Quantum states

• We can encode a string $x \in \{0,1\}^n$ with logn qubits.

$$|\phi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (-1)^{x_i} |i\rangle \qquad \qquad x = 0110$$
$$|\varphi\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle - |2\rangle + |3\rangle)$$
$$|\varphi\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|00\rangle - |01\rangle - |10\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

- Holevo's bound
 - We cannot compress information by using qubits.
 We need n qubits to transmit n classical bits.

 Quantum communication can still be useful since in many communication problems the information that needs to be transmitted is small. (e.g. Equality)

Equality in Simultaneous Messages



Randomized algorithm (Complexity $O(\sqrt{n})$) Alice and Bob use an error correcting code C with constant distance and size O(n). They each send $O(\sqrt{n})$ bits of their strings C(x),C(y) Referee outputs Yes if C(x)_i = C(y)_i

Equality in Simultaneous Messages

<u>Quantum algorithm</u>: (Complexity O(log n)) [BCWdW01]

- Alice and Bob use an error correcting code C with constant distance.
- They send the states

$$|\phi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{cn} (-1)^{C(x)_i} |i\rangle \quad |\psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{cn} (-1)^{C(y)_i} |i\rangle$$

• Referee measures the state $|\phi
angle\otimes|\psi
angle$

in the symmetric and alternating subspace of $\mathcal{R}^n\otimes \mathcal{R}^n$

- If x=y, then the states are equal.
- If $x \neq y$, then the states are almost orthogonal.

Exponential Separations

- Two-way communication
 - [BCW98]: exponential separation for zero error.
 - [Raz99]: exponential separation for bounded error.
 - [Gav07, RK11]: between q. One-way and rand. Two-way
- One-way communication
 - [BJK04]: exponential separation for a relation
 - [GKKRdW07]: exponential separation for a partial function
- Simultaneous Messages
 - [BCWdW01]: equality via fingerprints
 - [BJK04]: exponential separation for a relation

The Hidden Matching Problem



Theorem

- There exists a one-way quantum protocol with compl. O(logn)
- Any randomized one-way protocol has complexity $\Omega(\sqrt{n})$

Quantum algorithm for HM₄

Let $M = \{(1,3), (2,4)\}$ be Bob's matching.

• Alice sends the state

$$\frac{1}{2}((-1)^{x_1}|1\rangle + (-1)^{x_2}|2\rangle + (-1)^{x_3}|3\rangle + (-1)^{x_4}|4\rangle) \qquad \qquad \boxed{x = 0011} \\ |1\rangle + |2\rangle - |3\rangle - |4\rangle$$

• Bob measures in the basis $B = \{|1\rangle + |3\rangle, |1\rangle - |3\rangle, |2\rangle + |4\rangle, |2\rangle - |4\rangle\}$

and outputs $\begin{cases} ((1,3),0) & \text{if he measures} & |1\rangle+|3\rangle \\ ((1,3),1) & & |1\rangle-|3\rangle \\ ((2,4),0) & & |2\rangle+|4\rangle \\ ((2,4),1) & & |2\rangle-|4\rangle \end{cases}$

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• Alice sends the state

$$\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{4}(-1)^{x_i}|i\rangle = \frac{1}{2}((-1)^{x_1}|1\rangle + (-1)^{x_3}|3\rangle) + \frac{1}{2}((-1)^{x_2}|2\rangle + (-1)^{x_4}|4\rangle)$$

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•
$$\Pr[outcome |1\rangle + |3\rangle] = \frac{1}{8}((-1)^{x_1} + (-1)^{x_3})^2$$

 $\Pr[outcome |1\rangle - |3\rangle] = \frac{1}{8}((-1)^{x_1} - (-1)^{x_3})^2$

• Bob can compute the XOR of a pair of the matching with probability 1.

4) Communication Complexity Open Problems

- Quantum communication complexity of total functions
- Power of entanglement in communication complexity
- Communication Complexity with super-quantum
 resources.

Conclusions

Quantum Information can be very powerful

- Algorithms
 - Factoring, Unordered Search
 - Quantum Walks, etc
- Communication Complexity
 - Many exponential separations
 - Total Functions
- Cryptography
 - Unconditional Key Distribution
 - Impossibility of Bit Commitment, OT
- Interactions with Complexity Theory & Physics
 - Ronald's talk

Why is Quantum Computation important?

Further Conclusions



- Quantum Information and Computation
 - Computational power of nature
 - Quantum Mechanics as an theory of information
 - Advances in classical Computer Science
 - Practical Quantum Cryptography
 - Advances in Experimental Physics

Simon's Algorithm

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amplitude of
$$|y\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n+1/2}}(-1)^{xy} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1/2}}(-1)^{(x+a)\cdot y} = \frac{1}{2^{n+1/2}}(-1)^{xy}[1+(-1)^{a\cdot y}]$$

Hence, we only measure y, s.t. a.y=0 Repeat O(n) times to get n linear independent y's.

Period Finding Algorithm

Let
$$f:Z_N \rightarrow C$$

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Promise: f is periodic
Goal: Find period

Tool: Quantum Fourier Transform: $|x\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y \in \{0,1\}^n} \omega^{xy} |y\rangle, \quad \omega = e^{2\pi i/N}$

$$\begin{aligned} |0...0\rangle |0...0\rangle &\xrightarrow{QFT_N \text{ onl } st} \xrightarrow{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x \in Z_N} |x\rangle |0...0\rangle \xrightarrow{O_f} \xrightarrow{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x \in Z_N} |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle \\ \xrightarrow{\text{measure } f(x)} \xrightarrow{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N/r}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} |j \cdot r + l\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_N} \xrightarrow{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} |i \cdot N/r\rangle \\ \xrightarrow{\text{measure}} |k \cdot N/r\rangle, \quad k \in [0, r-1] \end{aligned}$$

If gcd(k,r)=1, then gcd(kN/r,N)=N/r

REMARK: Factoring reduces classically to period finding !!!