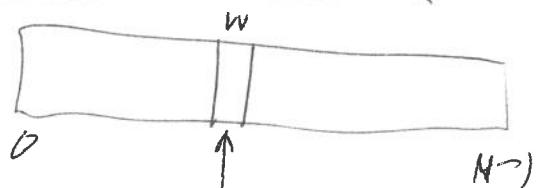


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# Grover's Algo for Quantum Search ①

N items in an array



$N = 2^n$ :  $n$  qubits, values as indices into target the array. Let  $w$  be the index of the target.

Have

An  $n$ -qubit quantum gate  $I_f$  such that  $\forall x \in \{0, 1\}^n$ ,

$$I_f |x\rangle = (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle = \begin{cases} -1|x\rangle & \text{if } x=w \\ |x\rangle & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \xrightarrow{w} \{0, 1\}$  is such that  $f(w) = 1$  and  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \neq w$ .

$$I_f = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & 0 & \\ & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{w \rightarrow} = I - 2|w\rangle\langle w|$$

Each use of  $I_f$  we be a "probe." [Classically,  $\Theta(N)$  probes needed in the worst case.]

Define

$$I_o = I - 2|0^n\rangle\langle 0^n| = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & 0 & \\ & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$I_o$  has an efficient quantum circuit.

Also: assume we have an  $n$ -qubit unitary  $U$

such that  $\langle w | U | 0^n \rangle \neq 0$ . Set  $x := \langle w | U | 0^n \rangle$ .  
 ↪ Can assume  $x > 0$  by adjusting the global phase of  $U$ .

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$$\text{Ex: } U = H^{\otimes n}; \quad |U|0^n\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{z \in \{0,1\}^n} |z\rangle$$

so  $x = \langle w | U | 0^n \rangle = \boxed{\frac{1}{2^{n/2}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Bigger } x \text{ is better, but} \\ \text{Can't do better than this} \end{array}$

$x \leq 1$  [If  $x=1$ , then done! So assume  $x < 1$ .]

So  $0 < x < 1$ . So there is a unique  $\theta$ ,  $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$

such that  $x = \sin \theta \quad (\theta = \sin^{-1} x \approx \arcsin x)$

Grover's algo  $\theta \approx x$  when  $x$  is small

1. Initialize  $n$  qubits to  $|0^n\rangle$

2. Apply  $U$  to get  $|s\rangle := U|0^n\rangle \quad \begin{array}{l} |s\rangle \text{ is the } \underline{\text{start}} \\ \underline{\text{state}} \\ x = \langle w | s \rangle \end{array}$

3. Apply  $G$  to  $|s\rangle \quad \left\lfloor \frac{\pi}{4\theta} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{\pi}{4\sin^{-1} x} \right\rfloor$  many times  
where

$$G := -U I_d U^* I_f$$

$$\approx \frac{\pi}{4} 2^{n/2} = \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{N}$$

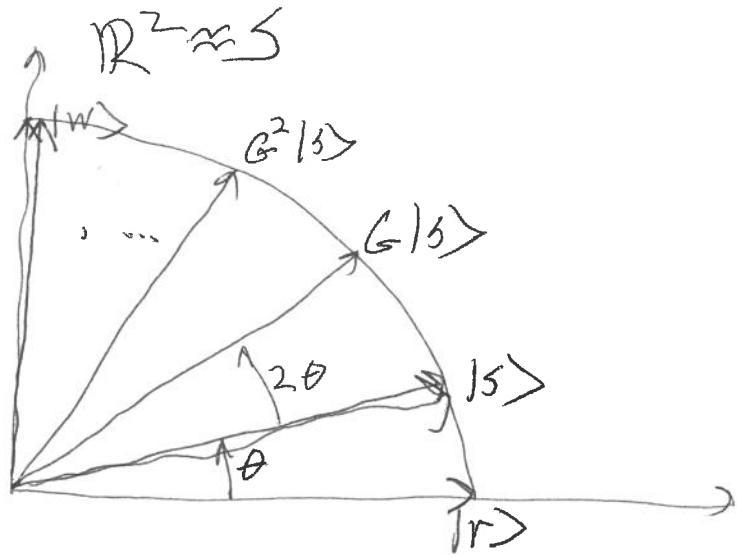
is the Grover iterate.

4. Measure all  $n$  qubits in the comp. basis, get  $y$ .

$y = w$  with very high probability.

Let  $S$  be the (real!) plane spanned by  $|s\rangle$  and  $|w\rangle$ .  $G$  maps  $S$  into  $S$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}
 G &= -u|s\rangle u^*|s\rangle = -u(\pm 2|0^n\rangle\langle 0^n|)u^*(\pm 2|w\rangle\langle w|) \\
 &= -(\pm 2|0^n\rangle\langle 0^n|u^*)(\pm 2|w\rangle\langle w|) \\
 &= -(\pm 2|s\rangle\langle s|)(\pm 2|w\rangle\langle w|) \\
 &= -[\pm 2|s\rangle\langle s| + 2|w\rangle\langle w| - 4x|s\rangle\langle w|]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$G|s\rangle = (1 - 4x^2)|s\rangle + 2x|w\rangle$$

$$G|w\rangle = -2x|s\rangle + |w\rangle$$

$$\text{Set } |r\rangle := \frac{|s\rangle - x|w\rangle}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

Check:  $\{|r\rangle, |w\rangle\}$   
is an ortho. basis  
for the plane S.

Also check:

$$|s\rangle = \sqrt{1-x^2}|r\rangle + x|w\rangle = \cos\theta|r\rangle + \sin\theta|w\rangle$$

Express  $G$  with respect to the  $\{|r\rangle, |w\rangle\}$  basis  
 Restricted to  $S$  (4)

$$G = -I + 2|s\rangle\langle s| + 2|w\rangle\langle w| - 4x|s\rangle\langle w|,$$

$$\Rightarrow = -(|r\rangle\langle r| + |w\rangle\langle w|) + 2|s\rangle\langle s| + 2|w\rangle\langle w| - 4x|s\rangle\langle w|,$$

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$+ |w\rangle\langle w|$

$$= -|r\rangle\langle r| - |w\rangle\langle w| + 2(\cos\theta|r\rangle + \sin\theta|w\rangle)(\cos\theta|r\rangle + \sin\theta|w\rangle) \\ + 2|w\rangle\langle w| - 4\cancel{(\cos\theta|r\rangle + \sin\theta|w\rangle)}\cancel{|w\rangle\langle w|}$$

$$= \left( \cancel{2\cos^2\theta} - 1 \right) |r\rangle\langle r|$$

$$+ \left( -2\sin\theta\cos\theta \right) |r\rangle\langle w|$$

$$+ \left( 2\cos\theta\sin\theta \right) |w\rangle\langle r|$$

$$+ \left( 1 - 2\sin^2\theta \right) |w\rangle\langle w|$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(2\theta) & -\sin(2\theta) \\ \sin(2\theta) & \cos(2\theta) \end{bmatrix} \text{ w.r.t. the } |r\rangle, |w\rangle \text{ basis}$$

Apply  $G$   $m$  times, get any  $k$

$(2m+1)\theta$  from  $|r\rangle$  want  $(2m+1)\theta$  to  
 be as close to  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  as possible.