



# Breaking RSA encryption-Shor's Algorithm

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# Come see us!

- Alexandra Kolla/ Graeme Smith: Friday 3:00-4:00 pm, JILA X317.
- Ariel Shlosberg: Tu/Th 2:00-4:00pm, DUANG2B90 (physics help room)
- Steven Kordonowy: Th 11am-12pm, ECAE 124.
- Matteo Wilczak: Wednesday, 1-2pm, DUANG2B90 (physics help room)

# Last Class

- Period finding start

# Today

- Discrete Fourier Transform
- Quantum Fourier Transform

# The problem

- One is told that  $f$  is periodic under ordinary addition,  $f(y) = f(x)$ , if  $y = kr + x$ , for any integer  $k$ .
- i.e  $x$  and  $y$  differ by an integral multiple or period  $r$ .
- The problem is to find the period  $r$ .

# Vector or Function?

How can I write the function  $f: [N] \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  as a vector?

A)  $f = \sum_{x=0 \text{ to } N-1} f(x)|x\rangle_n$

B)  $f = (f(x), 0, \dots, 0)$

C)  $f = (f(x), f(x), \dots, f(x)).$

D)  $f = \sum_{x=0 \text{ to } 2^N-1} f(x)|x\rangle_n$

# DFT

- Let  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/N}$  a primitive N-th root of unity
- $f = (f(0), f(1), \dots, f(N - 1))$  a function
- The Discrete Fourier Transform of  $f$  is defined as

$$F = (F(0), F(1), \dots, F(N - 1))$$

- Where  $F(k) = \sum_n \omega^{kn} f(n)$

# QFT

- Say we have  $n$  qubits. (So  $2^n$  possible basis vectors).

- $\omega = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{2^n}}$

- $U_{FT} |x\rangle_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_y \omega^{xy} |y\rangle_n$



# QFT

- $f = (f(0), f(1), \dots, f(N - 1)), N = 2^n$
- $f = \sum_x f(x) |x\rangle_n$
- $U_{FT}(\sum_x f(x) |x\rangle_n) = \sum_y F(y) |y\rangle_n$
- $F(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_x \omega^{xy} f(x)$
- So  $U_{FT}(\sum_x f(x) |x\rangle_n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_y \sum_x \omega^{xy} f(x) |y\rangle_n$

# Roots of unity

What are the primitive 2nd roots of unity?

A)  $0, 1$

B)  $-1, e^{\pi i}$

C)  $e^{\pi i}, e^{2\pi i}$

D)  $e^{\pi i}, e^{2\pi i}, e^{3\pi i}$

# Hadamard

What is the action of the n-fold Hadamard on the basis vector  $x$ ?

$$\text{A) } H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_y |y\rangle_n$$

$$\text{B) } H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_y e^{\pi i x \cdot y} |y\rangle_n$$

$$\text{C) } H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_y (-1)^{x \cdot y} |y\rangle_n$$

$$\text{D) } H^{\otimes n} |x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_y e^{2\pi i x \cdot y} |y\rangle_n$$

# The Algorithm

- 1) Prepare:  $(H^{\otimes n} \otimes I) |0\rangle_n |0\rangle_{n_0} = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 < x \leq 2^n} |x\rangle_n |0\rangle_n$

- 2) Single application of oracle (can be done efficiently for our f):

$$U_f \left( \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 < x \leq 2^n} |x\rangle_n |0\rangle_{n_0} \right) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{0 < x \leq 2^n} |x\rangle_n |f(x)\rangle_{n_0}$$

- 3) Measure output register: If I get some value of f, say  $f(x_0)$ , then input register is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} (\sum_k |x_0 + kr\rangle)$

# The Algorithm

- 4) Apply QFT to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} (\sum_k |x_0 + kr\rangle)$
- Exercise in class