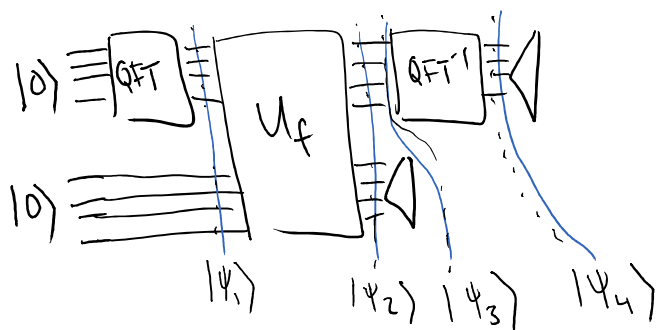


Basic Algorithm:

1. Prepare $|0\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$
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 N -dim W -dim
2. Apply QFT_N to A
3. Apply U_f to A, B
4. Measure B in standard basis
5. Apply QFT_N^{-1} to A
6. Measure A in standard basis

Q: Write as circuit $\boxed{QFT_m}$

Total Algorithm

1. Run basic algorithm twice. Get outcomes y, y' .

Do Classical postprocessing on y, y' . Outcome is pretty likely to be $r \rightarrow$ can check if outcome is correct

QFT Tricks

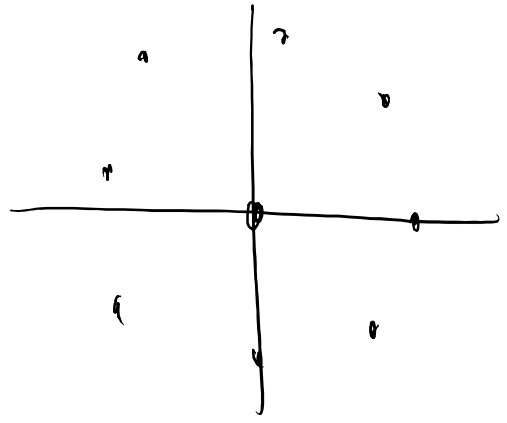
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- A) 0 B) 1 C) Depends on y D) t
↑↑

$$\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} e^{2\pi i k y / t} = \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} (e^{2\pi i y})^{ky} = \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} 1 = t$$

Q: What is $\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} e^{2\pi i k y / t}$ if $k \not\equiv 0 \pmod t$? *y is integer*

- A) 0 B) 1 C) Depends on y D) t
↑↑



$$\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} e^{\frac{2\pi i k y}{t}} = \sum_{k=0}^{t-1} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i y}{t}} \right)^k$$

(Geometric Series: $\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} r^k = \frac{1-r^{k+1}}{1-r} \quad (r \neq 1)$)

$$= \frac{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi i y t}{t}}}{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi i y}{t}}} = \frac{1 - \underbrace{e^{2\pi i y}}_{2\pi i y/t}}{1 - e^{\frac{2\pi i y}{t}}} = 0$$

If

$$\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a_k \left(\sum_{j=0}^{t-1} b_j |j\rangle \right)$$

⇓ Distribute

$$\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} a_k b_j |j\rangle$$

⇒
Swap
order

$$\sum_{j=0}^{t-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{t-1} a_k b_j \right) |j\rangle$$

amplitude of state
|j>

✓

$$1. |\psi_1\rangle = (\text{QFT } |0\rangle)|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |x\rangle |0\rangle_B$$

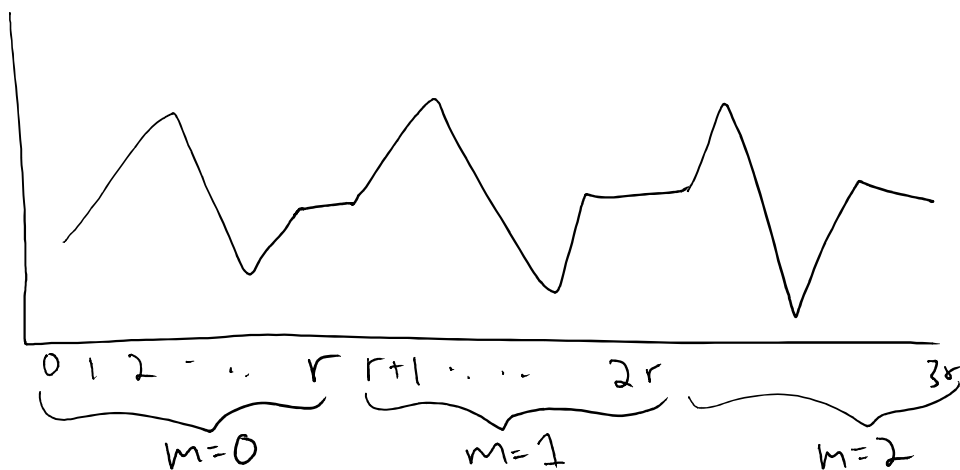
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from exercise

$$2. |\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} U_f |y\rangle |0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} |y\rangle |f(y)\rangle$$

Recall: $f(x)$ is periodic. Let's write $x = mr + b$
↑
period

Q: What is $f(mr+b)$ equal to?

- A) $f(r)$ B) $f(m)$ C) $f(b)$ D) $f(mr)$



$$b \in [r]$$

$$m \in \left[\frac{N}{r} \right]$$

$m=i, b=j$ corresponds to j^{th} element of i^{th} block of r

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \sum_{m=0}^{m_b-1} |mr+b\rangle_A |f(mr+b)\rangle$$

m_b is # blocks where b occurs. If r does not divide N evenly, some values of b will not occur in last block

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \sum_{m=0}^{m_b-1} |mr+b\rangle |f(b)\rangle$$

3. Measure B register in standard basis.

To get outcome state, rewrite as

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \sum_i \alpha_i |\phi_i\rangle_A |i\rangle$$

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \sum_{b=0}^{r-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{m=0}^{m_b-1} |mr+b\rangle \right) |f(b)\rangle$$

standard basis states, different for each b by assumption that values are unique within a period

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \times a \sum_{m=0}^{m_b-1} |mr+b\rangle \right)$$

Q. What is a (approximately) to make this normalized

A) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$

B) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}$

C) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}$

D) $\sqrt{\frac{r}{N}}$

Because $m_b = \frac{N}{r}$ or $\frac{N}{r} - 1$

Suppose get outcome $|f(b)=s\rangle$. Let b^* be value s.t. $f(b^*)=s$

After measurement, state is

$$|\psi_3\rangle = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{m_{b^*}}} \sum_{m=0}^{m_{b^*}-1} |mr+b^*\rangle \right)_A |f(b^*)\rangle_B$$

We don't do anything else with B system, since tensor product, can just ignore from this point on

4. Now apply QFT_N^{-1} to A:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Psi_4\rangle &= QFT_N^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{b^*}}} \sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} |mr + b^*\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{NM_{b^*}}} \sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} \left(\sum_{y=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i \frac{(mr + b^*)y}{N}} |y\rangle \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{NM_{b^*}}} \sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} \left(\sum_{y=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i mry/N} e^{2\pi i b^* y/N} |y\rangle \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Switch order of summation

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{NM_{b^*}}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} e^{-2\pi i b^* y/N} e^{-2\pi i mry/N} |y\rangle \right)$$

Distributive property

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{NM_{b^*}}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i b^* y/N} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} e^{-2\pi i mry/N} \right) |y\rangle \\
 |\Psi_4\rangle &= \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{NM_{b^*}}} e^{2\pi i b^* y/N} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} e^{-2\pi i mry/N} \right) |y\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Measure in standard basis.

$$\text{Prob}(y) = \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{NM_{b^*}}} e^{2\pi i b^* y/N} \right|^2 \left| \sum_{m=0}^{M_{b^*}-1} e^{-2\pi i mry/N} \right|^2$$

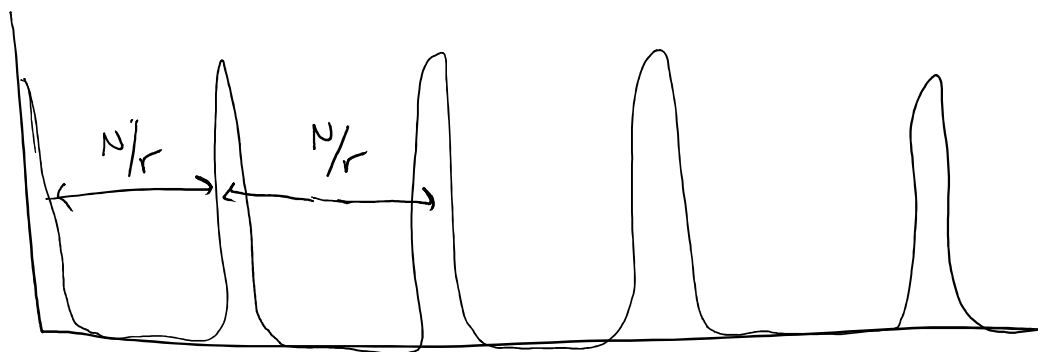
\downarrow $\frac{1}{NM_{b^*}}$ \downarrow ?

(*)

Claim 1:

(*) Is large when y is close to a multiple of $\frac{N}{r}$

absolute value
of amplitude
of $|\psi_y\rangle$



standard basis state

This means if measure in standard basis, get y : $y \approx \frac{jN}{r}$, or $\frac{y}{N} \approx \frac{j}{r}$. Bunch of math:

$$\text{Prob} \left(\left| \frac{y}{N} - \frac{j}{r} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2N} \text{ for some } j \right) \geq \frac{4}{\pi^2}$$

"Good y "

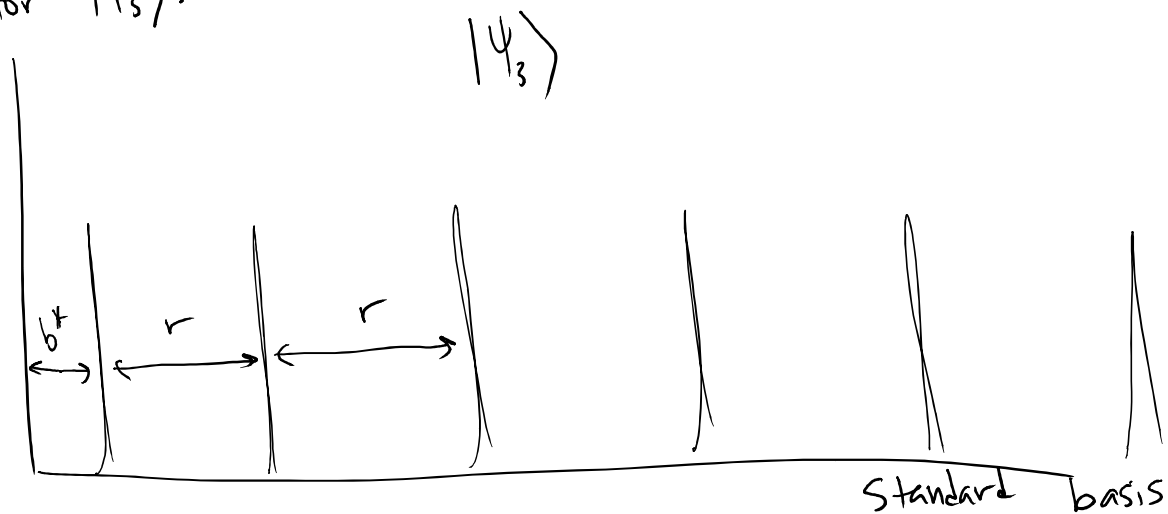
Claim 2: If learn $y \approx \frac{jN}{r}$, $y' \approx \frac{j'N}{r}$ for

2 randomly chosen j, j' , can learn r with

probability $1/2$. (Using "Classical Post Processing")

Q: Write plot for $|\psi_3\rangle$:

Absolute
value of
amplitude



Q. Why is $|\psi_4\rangle$ better than $|\psi_3\rangle$ for learning r ? (Think about making a measurement on $|\psi_3\rangle$)

A. We don't know value of b^* . We only know $f(b^*)$. If measure $|\psi_3\rangle$ in standard basis, get $|mr + b^*\rangle$ for some unknown m and b^* , so can't figure out r . But what if create $|\psi_3\rangle$ again. Value of b^* changes! If measure in standard basis, get $|m'r + b^{*'}\rangle$ for some unknown m' and $b^{*'}$. With $|\psi_4\rangle$, period always starts at origin, so if measure in standard basis, get $|kN/r\rangle$ for some k , can figure out r .

Claim 2: Given $y \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$ such that

$$\left| \frac{y}{N} - \frac{j}{r} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2N} \quad \text{for } j \in \{0, 1, \dots, r-1\},$$

we can learn r with high probability.

Claim 2a: There is a unique fraction j'/r' with $r' \in \{0, 1, \dots, \sqrt{N}-1\}$, $j' \in \{0, 1, \dots, r'-1\}$ such that

$$\left| \frac{y}{N} - \frac{j'}{r'} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2N}$$

In our case we assumed $r < \sqrt{N}$ (this is why that assumption mattered.)

So given y , there is only one possible fraction j'/r' that is close to y , and has small denominator.

To find j/r' , take continued fraction of c :

$$c = \frac{853}{2048} = \frac{1}{\frac{2048}{853}} = \frac{1}{2 + \frac{342}{853}} = \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{\frac{853}{342}}} = \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{169}{342}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{\frac{342}{169}}}}} = \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{4}{169}}}}} = \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{\frac{169}{4}}}}}}$$

Continue until all numerators are 1

"Convergents" are values without the final fraction:

- $\frac{1}{2 + \frac{342}{853}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$
- $\frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{169}{342}}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{5}$
- $\frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{4}{169}}}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{5}{12}$
- $\rightarrow \frac{212}{509}$

Thm: If z is a rational number and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, such that

$$\left| z - \frac{a}{b} \right| < \frac{1}{2b^2},$$

then $\frac{a}{b}$ is a convergent of the continued fraction of z .

Q. Put it all together:

7. Classical post processing of final measurement



Take continued fraction of $\frac{y}{N}$, and look at convergents.

There will be only one convergent $\frac{a}{b}$ with denominator $< \sqrt{N}$ such that $\left| \frac{a}{b} - \frac{y}{N} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2N}$. If y is good, b will either equal r , or will be a factor of r .

Test if have correct r by checking if $f(x) = f(x+b)$.
 Otherwise repeat and get out b' . Test if correct r .
 If not find Least Common Multiple (b, b') , and test if correct r .