

Learning Goals

- Describe how quantum algorithms gain an advantage over probabilistic algorithms.
- Analyze circuits using the path integral formalism

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- Lot of assignments
- Office Hours

Exit Tickets

- Systems get destroyed when measured?
- Universal decomposition, inverse, classical^{alg}, conditions for universality
- Approximations + errors
- Physical error rates

Quantum Secret Sauce?

Superposition?

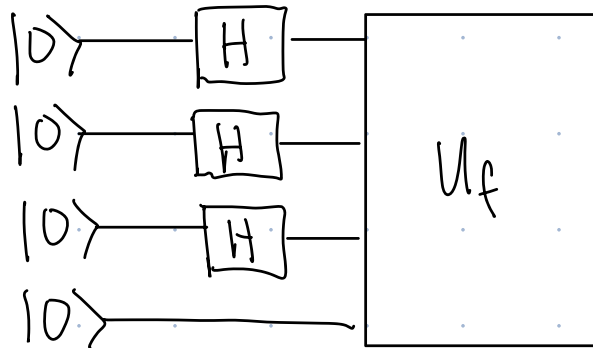
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$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |001\rangle + |010\rangle + |010\rangle + |100\rangle + |101\rangle + |110\rangle + |111\rangle)$$



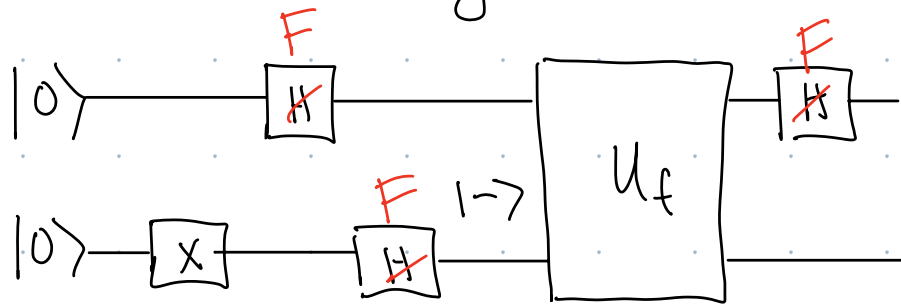
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle |f(000)\rangle + |001\rangle |f(001)\rangle + |010\rangle |f(010)\rangle + \dots)$$

But actually, this exponential scaling is not special

ex: 3 coin flips $\Rightarrow$ 8 possible outcomes $\rightarrow$ exponential

Quantum Computing	vs	Probabilistic Computing
$\sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} a_i i\rangle$	$\leftarrow \text{State} \rightarrow$	$\sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} a_i i\rangle$ probability
s.t. $\sum_i a_i ^2 = 1$		$\sum_{i \in \{0,1\}^n} a_i = 1 \quad a_i \geq 0$
Probability of outcome i is $ a_i ^2$	$\leftarrow \text{Measure} \rightarrow$	Probability of outcome i is a_i
Unitary (preserve normalization, reversible)	$\leftarrow \text{Gate} \rightarrow$	Left Stochastic gates (preserves normalization, positivity)

Deutsch's Alg (Probabilistic Version)



$$X: \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle \\ |1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle \end{array}$$

Unitary ✓
Left Stoch. ✓

$$U_f: \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle|0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle|f(0)\rangle \\ |0\rangle|1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle|\overline{f(0)}\rangle \\ |1\rangle|0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle|f(1)\rangle \\ |1\rangle|1\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle|\overline{f(1)}\rangle \end{array}$$

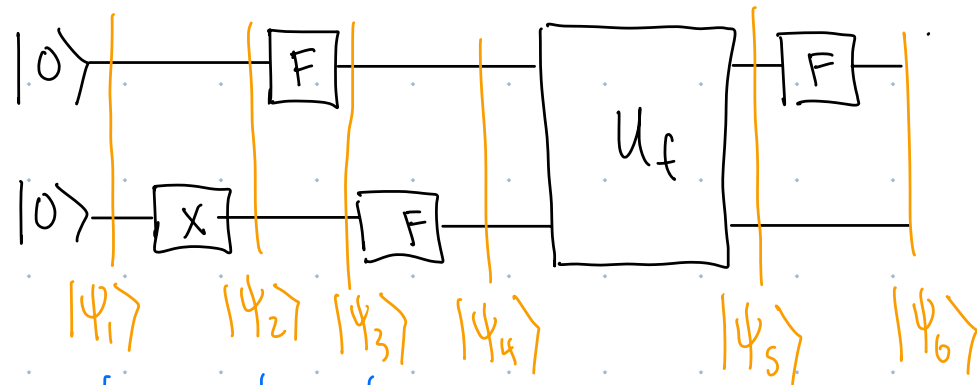
Unitary ✓
Left Stoch. ✓

$$H: \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle \\ |1\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1\rangle \end{array}$$

Unitary ✓
Left Stoch. ✗

Instead: $F: \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}|0\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|1\rangle \\ |1\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}|0\rangle + \frac{1}{2}|1\rangle \end{array}$

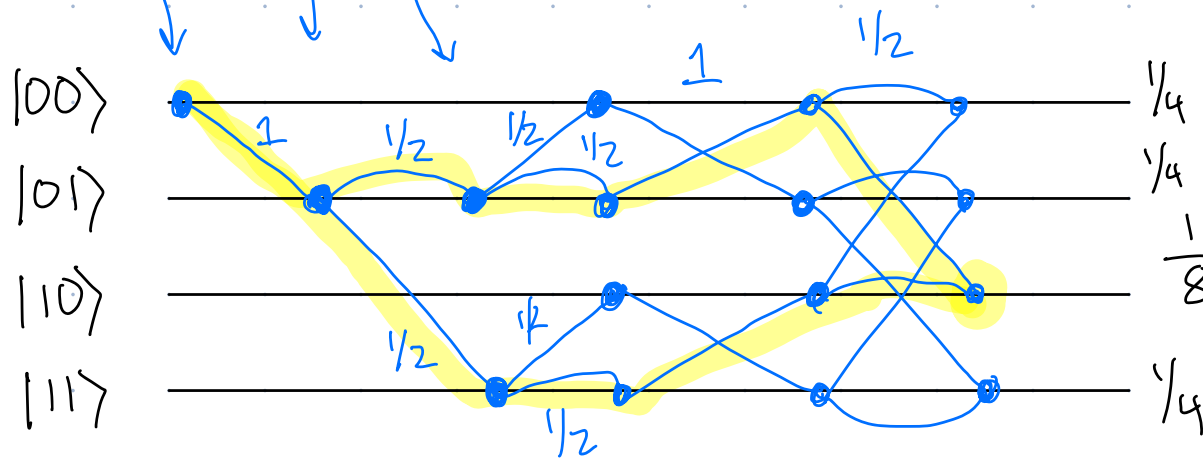
Path Integral Analysis (Probabilistic)



For exercise, set

$$f(0) = f(1) = 1$$

What is probability of 1st bit being 1?

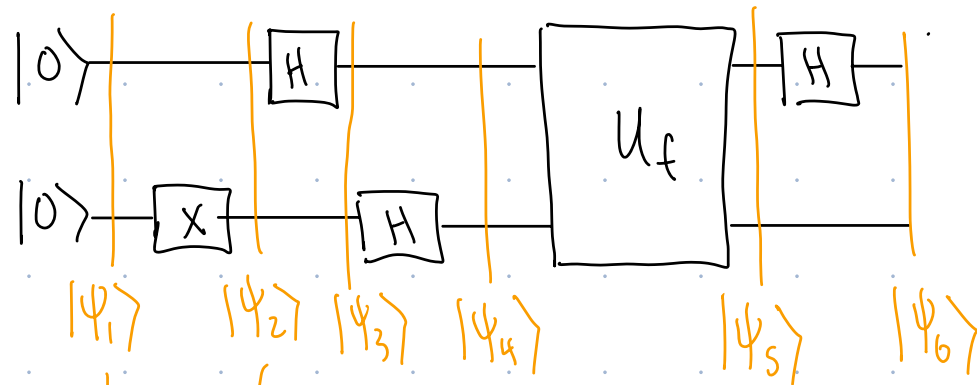


$\frac{1}{8}$ per path $\times$ 2 paths: $\frac{1}{4}$

To analyze

- Multiply probabilities on a path to get prob of path
- Add probabilities of all paths terminating at state to get probability of that outcome

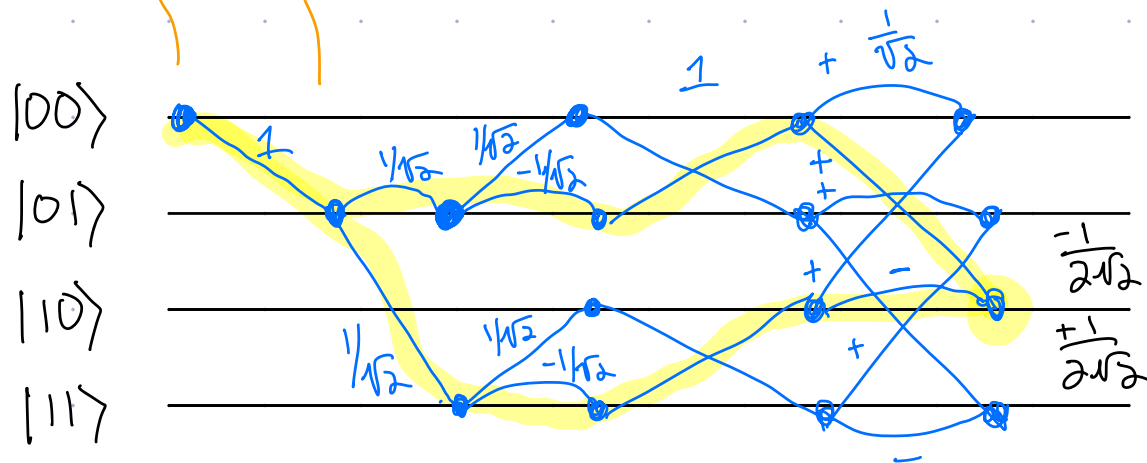
Path Integral Analysis (Quantum)



For exercise, set

$$f(0) = f(1) = 1$$

What is probability of 1st qubit being 1?



$\Rightarrow 0$

$$|0|^2 = 0$$

To analyze

- Multiply ~~probabilities~~ ^{amplitudes} on a path to get ~~prob~~ ^{amplitude} of path
- Add ~~probabilities~~ ^{amplitudes} of all paths terminating at state to get ~~probability of that outcome~~ ^{then take abs. value squared, $\Rightarrow$ probability}

Quantum Secret Sauce (Algorithms)

Superposition + Interference



pos + neg phases on different paths
cancel out undesirable outcomes

