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## Deutsch-Jozsa.

We don't expect to be able to show that

$$BPP \neq BQP$$

→ quantum computers are more powerful than classical

This would imply  $P \neq PSPACE$

↳ Seems like it should be true but it's a long-standing open problem to prove this.

Instead: Show that quantum computers are more powerful than classical if they both have access to an **oracle**.

Oracle Model: there is some Boolean function  
 $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

An algorithm can access the oracle by providing an  $x$  and getting back  $f(x)$ .

We want to solve some problem in this model usually this involves discovering something about  $f$ .

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An algorithm only has **black box** access to  $f$ .  
 The only way to learn anything about  $f$  is to query the oracle.

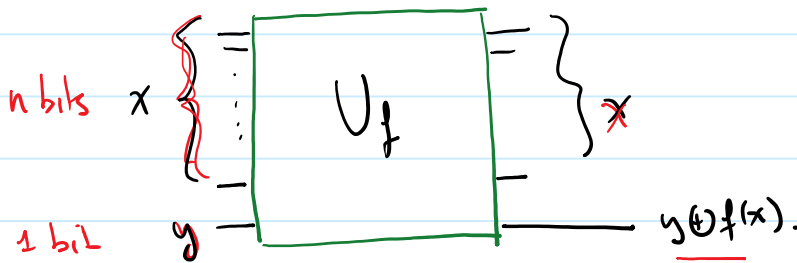
↪ Can call the function but not see the code or even know how long it takes.

Usually  $f$  is a hard-to-compute function so measure the complexity of an algorithm in terms of the number of calls to  $f$ .

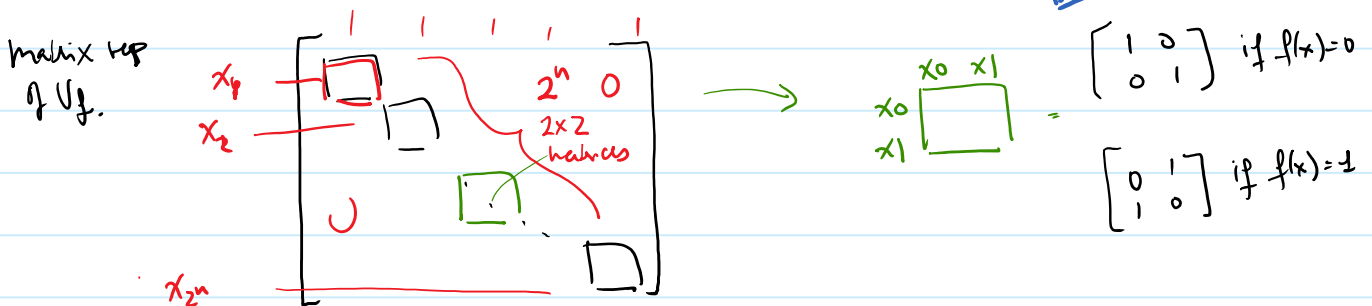
Access to  $f$  in the quantum model:

$$|x, y\rangle \longrightarrow |x, y \oplus f(x)\rangle$$

$n$ -bits       $1$ -bit



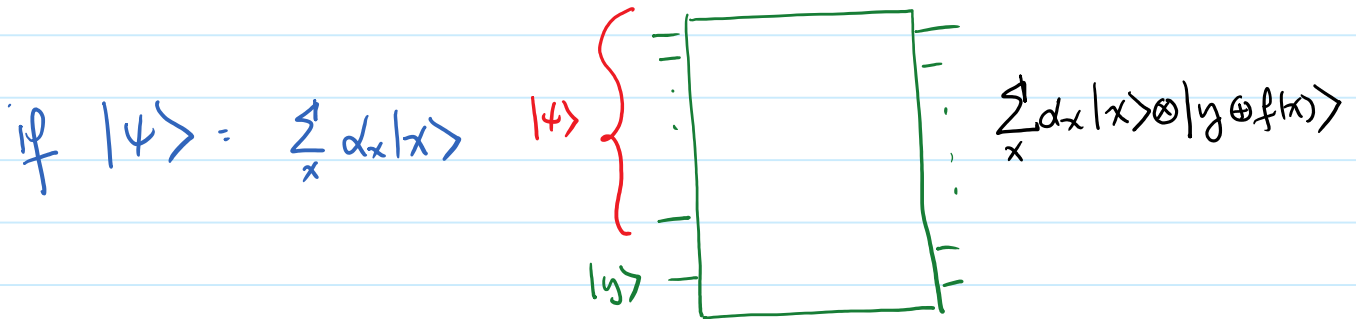
Note:  
 $U_f$  is unitary.



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Quantum advantage: Can access oracle in superposition.  
 (Can query  $f$  on multiple inputs and have it count as one query).

Limited as to how it can access results by quantum measurement.



We will show two examples showing that quantum computation is provably more powerful than quantum in this model.

Although a bit contrived they did lead to more interesting applications.

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in this problem, we are promised that  $f$  is either:

all 0 :  $f(x) = 0 \quad \forall x$

balanced:  $f(x) = 1$  for exactly half of  
 $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$ .

Problem: determine which one is the case.

Classical complexity:

Deterministic  $\geq \frac{2^n}{2} + 1$  queries required in  
the worst case.

Worst case: the first  $2^{n/2}$   $x$ 's queried  
have  $f(x) = 0$ .

Randomized: best strategy is to query  $k$   
random locations  $x_1, \dots, x_k$ .

output:

If  $f(x_i) = 1$  for some  $i \Rightarrow$  Balanced

If  $f(x_i) = 0$  for all  $i \Rightarrow$  all 0.

Only possible error:

$f$  is balanced +  $f(x_i) = 0 \quad \forall i$ .

probability of error =  $1/2^k$ .

If balanced, a random query  $f(x) = 0$  w.p.  $1/2$ .

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\underline{0}\rangle + |\underline{1}\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\underline{0}\rangle + |\underline{1}\rangle)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 (|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

Quantum protocol will get the correct answer in 2 queries with 0 probability of error.

Start with  $|0\rangle^n |0\rangle$

Apply H to the first  $n$  qubits to get:

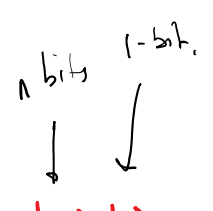
$$|+\rangle^n |0\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$$

$$H^{\otimes n} \otimes I_{n+1} |0\rangle^n |0\rangle = |+\rangle^n |0\rangle$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \right]^{\otimes n} |0\rangle = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^n \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle |0\rangle$$

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Now apply  $U_f$ :

$$\frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$$

$$U_f: \frac{|x\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{|y\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow |x\rangle \frac{|y \oplus f(x)\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Apply Z to the last qubit to get:  $\frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle (-1)^{f(x)}$

Apply  $U_f$  again  $(f(x) \oplus f(x) = 0)$

$$\frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle (-1)^{f(x)} |0\rangle$$

$f(x)$  now only stored in the phase.

We won't use the last qubit again, so we'll drop it.

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$$|\phi_{f'}\rangle = \sum_x |x\rangle \frac{(-1)^{f'(x)}}{\cancel{(-1)^{f'(x)}}} \quad f' \equiv 0.$$

Define  $\Rightarrow |\phi_f\rangle = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle.$

If  $f$  is 0 and  $f'$  is balanced (or vice versa) then

$f' \equiv 0$   
 $f$  balanced.

$$\langle \phi_f | \phi_{f'} \rangle = 0$$

$\langle x | y \rangle = \delta_{xy}$

$$\sum_x \underbrace{(-1)^{f(x)}}_{-1} \underbrace{(-1)^{f'(x)}}_{-1} \langle x | x \rangle$$

if  $f$  is all 0's =  $\sum_x (-1)^{f'(x)}$   
half +1, half -1

Still true for  $U|\phi_f\rangle$   $U|\phi_{f'}\rangle$   
where  $U$  is unitary.

The unitary we will choose is  $H^{\otimes n}$

If  $f \equiv 0$   $|\phi_f\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_x |x\rangle = \underline{(|+\rangle)^n}$   $\left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \right]^n$

$$H^{\otimes n} |\phi_f\rangle = H^{\otimes n} (|+\rangle)^n = \underline{|0\rangle^n}$$

If  $f$  is balanced  $\underline{H|\phi_f\rangle}$  is orthogonal to  $|0\rangle^n$

$\sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} \alpha_x |x\rangle$   $\alpha_0 = 0$

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$$|\phi_f\rangle =$$

$$\sum_x (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle$$

$f$  balanced.

$$|\phi_{f'}\rangle =$$

$$\sum_x (-1)^{f'(x)} |x\rangle$$

$f' = 0$

$$\langle \phi_f | \phi_{f'} \rangle = \left[ \sum_y (-1)^{f(y)} \langle y | \right] \left[ \sum_x |x\rangle \right]$$

$$\sum_{xy} (-1)^{f(y)} \langle y | x \rangle = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}} (-1)^{f(x)} = 0.$$

$$(y_1 + \dots + y_n) (x_1 + \dots + x_n) = \sum_{ij} y_i x_j$$



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$\Rightarrow f \equiv 0$  :  $H^{\otimes n} |\phi_{\pm}\rangle = |0\rangle^n$

$\Rightarrow f$  balanced :  $H^{\otimes n} |\phi_{\pm}\rangle$  orthogonal to  $|0\rangle^n$

When expressed in the standard basis, amplitude of  $|00\dots 0\rangle$  is 0.

Measure all the qubits:

If  $\geq$  one 1 then balanced.

If all 0's then  $f \equiv 0$ .

Applied  $U_f$   $2^x$

Or: Compute the AND of all the qubits and measure the 1-qubit result.

A little unsatisfying because the randomized classical algorithm for this problem is still pretty good.

