# Quantum-enhanced machine learning: Implementing a quantum k-nearest neighbour algorithm

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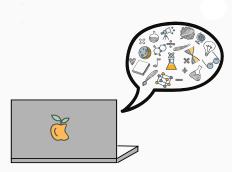


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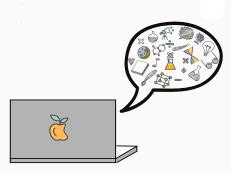
Introduction

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### Machine learning Enable computers to learn from data

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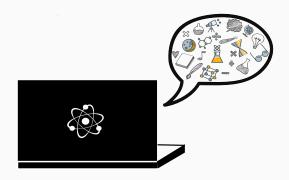


Machine learning Enable computers to learn from data



**Quantum computing**Build computer hardware based on quantum physics

### **Enhancing machine learning with quantum mechanics**



Quantum-enhanced machine learning
Enable quantum computers to learn from data
faster than classical computers

# Machine Learning

# **Supervised machine learning**

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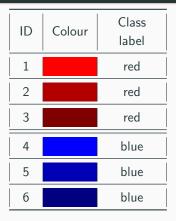


Table 1: Example training dataset.

$$f(x) = o. (1)$$

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. (1)  
 $f(\text{colour}) = red$ . (2)

### Supervised machine learning

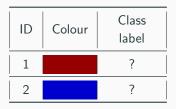
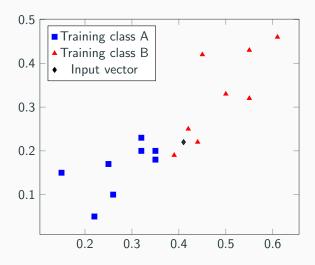
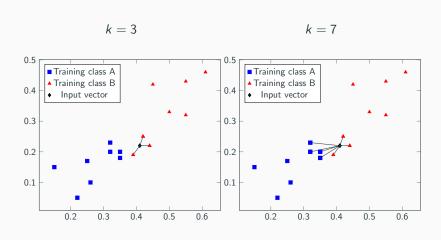


Table 2: Example input dataset.

The machine learning algorithm should approximate the function f such that it can predict the output o for a new unknown input  $\tilde{x}$ :

$$f(\tilde{x}) = ?. (3)$$





Explain the kNN!

**Quantum Computing** 

# Classical vs. quantum bits (qubits)

### PICTURE OF MOSFET

### Classical bit:

- Usually implemented through MOSFETs
- 2 definite states (0,1)
- Can be either 0 OR 1

# Classical vs. quantum bits (qubits)

### Quantum bit (qubit):

- Can be 0 OR 1
- ullet But it can also be 0 AND 1 ightarrow quantum superposition

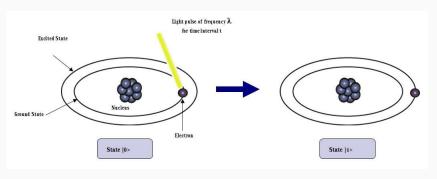


Figure 1: Example of a physical qubit.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Reprinted from RF Wireless World, n.d., Retrieved December 23, 2016, from http://www.rfwireless-world.com/Terminology/Difference-between-Bit-and-Qubit.html. Copyright 2012 by RF Wireless World.

### **Qubits**

Mathematically, a qubit state is expressed as:

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle , \qquad (4)$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ .

 $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  can be represented as the 2-D vectors:

$$|0\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad |1\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix} \,. \tag{5}$$

Substituting into Eq. 4 yields the vector representation of  $|\psi\rangle$ :

$$|\psi\rangle \doteq \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha\\\beta \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (6)

### The Bloch sphere

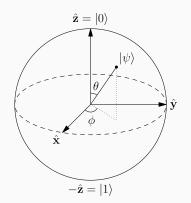


Figure 2: Arbitrary two-dimensional qubit  $|\psi\rangle$  visualized on the Bloch sphere  $^1$ 

Most general form of a 2-D qubit:

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle , \qquad (7)$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Can also be visualized in spherical polar coords on the unit or Bloch sphere as follows:

$$|\psi
angle = \cosrac{ heta}{2}\,|0
angle + e^{i\phi}\sinrac{ heta}{2}\,|1
angle \;, \; ext{(8)}$$

where  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$  and  $0 \le \phi \le 2\pi$ 

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### **Quantum** gates

$$U|\psi\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a\alpha + b\beta \\ c\alpha + d\beta \end{pmatrix}. \tag{9}$$

show matrix representation show matrix vector multiplication?? Show two simple examples (Hadamard and X gate?)

**Quantum-enhanced Machine** 

Learning

# **Encoding classical data into qubits**

## **Encoding classical data into amplitudes**

# **Amplitude interference**

Results: Qubit-based kNN

algorithm

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Results: Amplitude-based kNN

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# **Quantum Computing & Qubits**

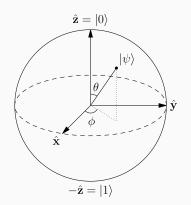


Figure 3: Arbitrary two-dimensional qubit  $|\psi\rangle$  visualized on the Bloch sphere 1

Most general form of a 2-D qubit:

$$|q\rangle = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$$
 (10)

where  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Can also be visualized in spherical polar coords on the unit or Bloch sphere as follows:

$$|q\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|0\rangle + e^{i\phi}\sin\frac{\theta}{2}|1\rangle$$
 (11)

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### **Machine Learning**

- Approximately 2.5 quintillion (10<sup>18</sup>) bytes of digital data are created every day<sup>1</sup>
- Need for advanced algorithms that can make sense of data content, retrieve patterns and reveal correlations → Machine learning (ML)
- ML algorithms often involve
  - solving large systems of linear equations
  - inverting large matrices
  - distance computations
- Performing these computations on large data sets gets increasingly difficult<sup>2</sup>

### **Quantum Machine Learning**

- 1. ML involves manipulation of large vectors and matrices
- 2. Quantum mechanics is about vectors  $\in$  complex Hilbert spaces
- 3. Quantum computers are performing linear operations on qubits
- $\rightarrow$  Hence, we can manipulate large vectors in parallel on quantum computers

So can we use QC to improve classical ML algorithms??

- Classical ML is a very practical topic
- BUT, QML has been of almost entirely theoretical nature

### Quantum data encoding

There are two fundamentally different ways for state preparation:

### Data encoded into qubits

k-dimensional probability vector requires 4k classical bits which are encoded one-to-one into 4k qubits, e.g.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.4 \end{pmatrix} * 10 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0110 \\ 0100 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow n = 01100100 \rightarrow |n\rangle = |01100100\rangle$$

### Data encoded into amplitudes

k-dimensional probability vector is encoded into  $log_2(k)$  qubits, e.g.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.6 \\ 0.4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad |n\rangle = \sqrt{0.6} \, |0\rangle + \sqrt{0.4} \, |1\rangle$$

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- kNN is a non-parametric classifier
- k is a positive integer, usually chosen small

Given training data set: Given a new vector  $\tilde{x}$  (red star):

$$D_T = v_0, v_1, ..., v_{10}$$

- consider k nearest neighbours

 $v_i \in \{A, B\}$ 

- classify  $\tilde{x}$ , based on majority vote, as A or B

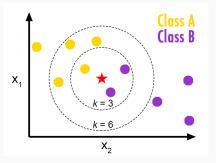


Figure 4: Visualization of a kNN classifier<sup>1</sup>

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### The algorithm

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2M}} \sum_{m=1}^{M} (|0\rangle | \Psi_{\tilde{x}}(\star) \rangle + |1\rangle | \Psi_{x^{m}} \rangle) | y^{m}(A \text{ or } B) \rangle | m \rangle$$
 (12)

where

$$|\Psi_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}(\star)\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} |i\rangle \qquad |\Psi_{\mathbf{x}^{m}}\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{m} |i\rangle$$
 (13)

e.g. 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.6\\0.4 \end{pmatrix}$$
  $\rightarrow$   $|n\rangle = \sqrt{0.6}|0\rangle + \sqrt{0.4}|1\rangle$  (14)

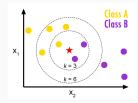


Figure 5: Visualization of a kNN classifier<sup>1</sup>

### The algorithm

Applying the **Hadamard gate** interferes the input and the training vectors:

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{M}} \sum_{m=1}^{M} (|0\rangle [|\Psi_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}\rangle + |\Psi_{\mathbf{x}^{m}}\rangle] + |1\rangle [|\Psi_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}\rangle - |\Psi_{\mathbf{x}^{m}}\rangle]) |y^{m}(A \text{ or } B)\rangle |m\rangle$$
 (15)

ightarrow Perform **conditional measurement** on ancilla qubit.

Successful if  $|0\rangle$  state is measured.

### The algorithm

After successful conditional measurement, the state is proportional to

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{M}} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} + \mathbf{x}_{i}^{m}) |0\rangle |i\rangle |y^{m}(A \text{ or } B)\rangle |m\rangle$$
 (16)

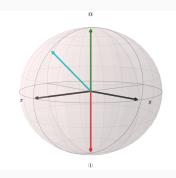
Probability to measure class B:

$$p(|y^{m}\rangle = |1(B)\rangle) = \sum_{m|y^{m}=1(B)} 1 - \frac{1}{4M} |\tilde{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x}^{m}|^{2}$$
 (17)

### Overall algorithmic complexity

 $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{p_{acc}})$  where  $p_{acc}$  is the probability of measuring ancilla in the  $|0\rangle$  state

### Simple binary classification case



**Figure 6:** Simple binary classification problem of a quantum state

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2M}} \sum_{m=1}^{M} (|0\rangle | \Psi_{\bar{x}}(\star) \rangle + |1\rangle | \Psi_{x}^{m} \rangle) | y^{m} (A \text{ or } B) \rangle | m \rangle$$
(18)

Procedure to load the input vector  $\tilde{x}$ :

$$|\Psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{2} (|0\rangle |0\rangle + |1\rangle |0\rangle) |y^m\rangle |m\rangle \qquad (19)$$

Apply controlled rotation  ${}_{0}^{1}CR_{y}(\frac{\pi}{4})$  s.t.

$${}_{0}^{1}CR_{y}(\frac{\pi}{4})|\Psi_{0}\rangle = |\Psi_{1}\rangle = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{m=1}^{2}(|0\rangle|0\rangle + |1\rangle|\Psi_{\tilde{x}}\rangle)|y^{m}\rangle|m\rangle$$
(20)

Flip the ancilla qubit in the first register

$$(X \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1} \otimes \mathbb{1}) |\Psi_1\rangle = |\Psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^{2} (|0\rangle |\Psi_{\bar{x}}\rangle + |1\rangle |0\rangle) |y^m\rangle |m\rangle$$
(21)

### Implementation with IBM's quantum computer

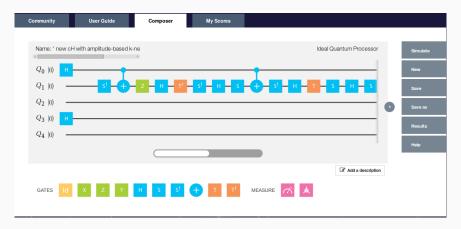


Figure 7: IBM's quantum composer

- Accessible to the public
- Allows for ideal + real simulations

- 5 superconducting qubits
- 40 gates (39 gates + 1 measurement)

### IBM's universal gate set

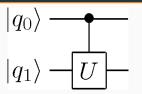


Figure 8: IBM's universal gate set

How can we implement the  ${}_0^1CR_y(\frac{\pi}{4})$  gate?

### Controlled U gate

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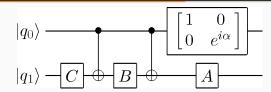


Figure 9: Controlled U-gate

Figure 10: Decomposition of a controlled U-gate<sup>1</sup>

Choose A,B,C and  $\alpha$  s.t.

$$e^{i\alpha} * A * X * B * X * C = U$$
 and  $A * B * C = 1$  (22)

Need to solve the following equation<sup>1</sup>

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i(\alpha - \frac{\beta}{2} - \frac{\delta}{2})} \cos \frac{\gamma}{2} & -e^{i(\alpha - \frac{\beta}{2} + \frac{\delta}{2})} \sin \frac{\gamma}{2} \\ e^{i(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} - \frac{\delta}{2})} \sin \frac{\gamma}{2} & e^{i(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \frac{\delta}{2})} \cos \frac{\gamma}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
(23)

### Overall algorithmic complexity

 $O(\frac{1}{\rho_{acc}}) + O(k)$  where k is number of root finding iterations<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Nielsen, M. A., & Chuang, I. L. (2010). Quantum computation and quantum information. Cambridge University Press.
<sup>2</sup>Jat, R. N., & Ruhela, D. S. (2011). Comparative study of complexity of algorithms for iterative solution of non-linear equations. Journal of International

# Problems with universal gate sets

In our case we need to find A, B, C and  $\alpha$  for  ${}^1_0CR_y(\frac{\pi}{4})$ :

Using a root finding algorithm for non-linear equations we find:

$$\alpha = \pi; \quad \beta = 2\pi; \quad \delta = \frac{7}{8}\pi; \quad \gamma = 0$$
 (24)

Then,

$$A = R_z(\beta)R_y(\frac{\gamma}{2}) = R_z(2\pi) = 1$$
 (25)

$$B = R_{y}(-\frac{\gamma}{2})R_{z}(-\frac{\delta+\beta}{2}) = R_{z}(-\frac{23}{16}\pi) = ???$$
 (26)

$$C = R_z(\frac{\delta - \beta}{2}) = R_z(-\frac{9}{16}\pi) = ???$$
 (27)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi} \end{pmatrix} = Z \qquad (28)$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Dawson, C. M., & Nielsen, M. A. (2005). The Solovay-Kitaev algorithm. arXiv preprint quant-ph/0505030.

# The Solovay-Kitaev theorem

$$B = R_z(-\frac{23}{16}\pi) = ???$$

$$C = R_z(-\frac{9}{16}\pi) = ???$$
(29)

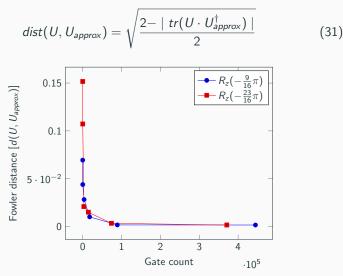
$$C = R_z(-\frac{9}{16}\pi) = ???$$
 (30)

The Solovay-Kitaev theorem guarantees that given a set of single-qubit quantum gates which generates a dense subset of SU(2), then that set is guaranteed to fill SU(2) quickly.<sup>1</sup>

- $\rightarrow$  Hence, given any universal gate set it is possible to obtain good approximations to any desired gate.
- → But needs to be computed classically!

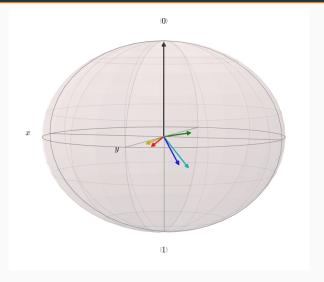
# The Solovay-Kitaev algorithm

Fowler distance<sup>1</sup>:



Booth Jr, J. (2012). Quantum compiler optimizations. arXiv preprint arXiv:1206.3348.

# The Solovay-Kitaev algorithm



d = 0.22739 (32)

d = 0.15165 (33)

d = 0.10722 (34) d = 0.02086 (35)

d = 0.00156 (36)

Figure 11: Various Fowler distances visualized on Bloch sphere

# The Solovay-Kitaev algorithm

IBM's quantum computer needs 130ns for single-qubit gates and 500ns for CNOT gates.

IBM qubit decoherence times:

$$49.5 \, \mu s \le T_1 \le 85.3 \, \mu s$$
 "amplitude damping"  $56.0 \, \mu s \le T_2 \le 139.7 \, \mu s$  "phase damping"

Approx. Gate	Distance	Gate count	Execution time
$R_z(-\frac{23}{16}\pi)$	0.15165	25	$\sim$ 3 $\mu$ s
	0.10722	109	$\sim$ 14 $\mu$ s
	0.02086	2997	$\sim$ 390 $\mu$ s
	0.01494	14721	$\sim$ 1914 $\mu$ s
	0.003327	74009	$\sim\!9621\mu s$
	0.001578	370813	$\sim$ 48 206 $\mu$ s

 Table 3:
 SK algorithm results

# **Adding complexities**

Executing the SK algorithm adds to our overall algorithmic complexity:

### Overall algorithmic complexity

$$O(\frac{1}{p_{acc}}) + O(k) + O(m * log^{2.71}(\frac{m}{\epsilon}))$$
 for  $\epsilon$ -approximations of  $m$  gates<sup>1</sup>

Due to state preparation we went from

$$\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{p_{acc}})\tag{37}$$

suddenly to

$$O(m * log^{2.71}(\frac{m}{\epsilon})) \tag{38}$$

where m is the number of gates that need approximation to  $\epsilon$ -accuracy

# **Liqui**| simulations

Currently impossible to implement the quantum algorithm on IBM's quantum computer!  $\to$  can only simulate it with i.e. Liqui| $\rangle$ 

In Liqui|) we can directly implement the controlled  $R_{\nu}$  rotation!

# Conclusion

### Summary

- Initial state preparation is non-trivial! (even for very simple examples)
- In this case, state preparation dominates the overall algorithmic complexity
- Solovay-Kitaev yields long gate sequences for good approximations
- Some universal gate sets are only useful when combined with long qubit lifetimes
- Need for better quantum compiling and more general state preparation algorithms!

### Taking it further

- Complexity analysis of the qubit-based kNN algorithm
- Classification of gaussian probability distributions
- Implementing more general state preparation algorithms
- Waiting for IBM QASM 2.0 ...

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### Backup slide: Qubit decoherence times

We expect exponential decay:

$$e^{t/T_i} (39)$$

#### $T_1$ : Longitudinal coherence time (amplitude damping)

- Prepare  $|0\rangle$  state
- Apply the X (NOT) gate s.t. qubit is in  $|1\rangle$  state
- Wait for time t
- Measure the probability of being in  $|1\rangle$  state

### $T_2$ : Transversal coherence time (phase damping)

- Prepare  $|0\rangle$  state
- Apply Hadamard  $ightarrow \ \frac{|0
  angle + |1
  angle}{\sqrt{2}}$
- Wait for time t
- Apply Hadamard again
- Measure the probability of being in  $|0\rangle$  state

We expect this probability to go to  $0.5 o ext{qubit lost quantum behaviour}$ 

# **Backup Slide II: Experimental realizations**

Only few experimental verifications of QML algorithms:

- Li, Liu, Xu, and Du (2015) successfully distinguished a handwritten six from a nine using a quantum support vector machine on a four-qubit nuclear magnetic resonance test  $bench^1$
- Cai et al. (2015) were first to experimentally demonstrate quantum machine learning on a photonic QC and showed that the distance between two vectors and their inner product can indeed be computed quantum mechanically $^2$
- Rist et al. (2015) solved a learning parity problem with five superconducting qubits and found that a quantum advantage can already be observed in non error-corrected systems $^3$

# Machine Learning

Machine learning can be subdivided into three major fields.

### Supervised ML

- Based on input and output data
  - "I know how to classify this data but I need the algorithm to do the computations for me."

#### **Unsupervised ML**

- Based on input data only
  - "I have no clue how to classify this data, can the algorithm create a classifier for me?"

#### Reinforcement learning

- Based on input data only
- "I have no clue how to classify this data, can the algorithm classify this data and I'll give it a reward if it's correct or I'll punish it if it's not."

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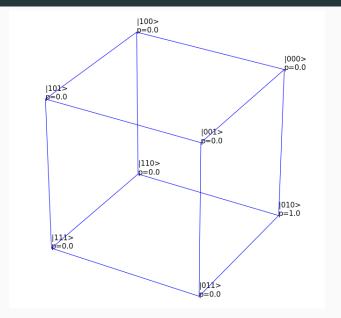
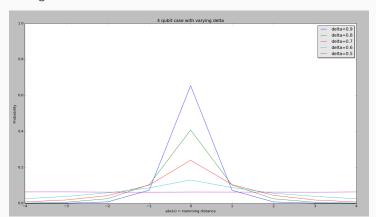


Figure 12: Representation of hamming distance on 3D cube

Applying the following matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\sqrt{\delta} & 1 - \sqrt{\delta} \\
1 - \sqrt{\delta} & -\sqrt{\delta}
\end{pmatrix}$$
(40)

to all qubits in the data register leads to a gaussian distribution over the "Hamming distance" cube:



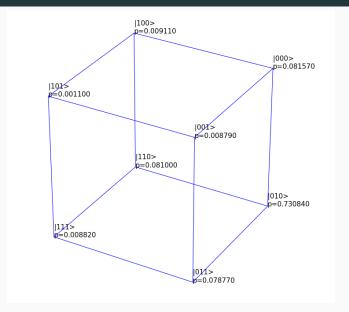


Figure 14: Representation of gaussian diffusion on 3D cube

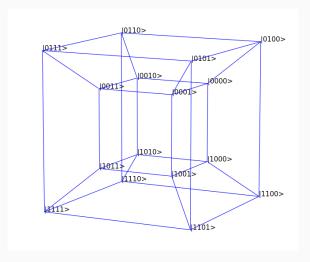


Figure 15: Representation of gaussian diffusion on 3D cube

# Backup slide II I



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#### What is big data?

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#### Lists

### Items

- Milk
- Eggs
- Potatos

### Enumerations

- 1. First,
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- Now this
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- And now this

# **Figures**

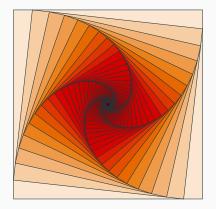


Figure 16: Rotated square from texample.net.

### **Tables**

Table 4: Largest cities in the world (source: Wikipedia)

City	Population	
Mexico City	20,116,842	
Shanghai	19,210,000	
Peking	15,796,450	
Istanbul	14,160,467	

#### **Blocks**

Three different block environments are pre-defined and may be styled with an optional background color.

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### Example

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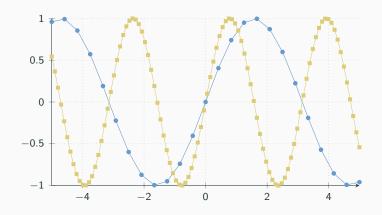
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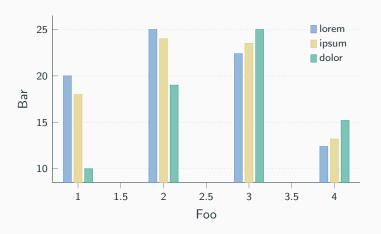
### Math

$$e = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$$

# Line plots



# Bar charts



### Quotes

Veni, Vidi, Vici