Quantum Computing

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The Deutsch-Jozsa Algorithm

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Outline

- The Deutsch-Jozsa Problem
- The quantum algorithm



The Deutsch-Jozsa Problem

• For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, consider $f: \mathcal{B}^n \to \mathcal{B}$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{0,1\}$$

• f is **constant**: $\forall x \in \mathcal{B}^n$ f(x) = 0 (or 1)

• *f* is **balanced**:
$$\sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}^n} f(x) = \frac{2^n}{2} = 2^{n-1}$$

- A constant function cannot be balanced, and a balanced function cannot be constant
- Most Boolean functions are neither constant nor balanced

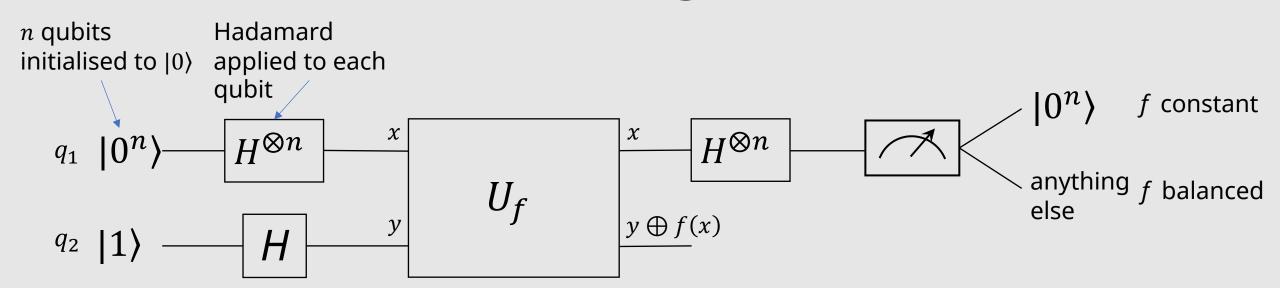


The Deutsch-Jozsa Problem

• $f: \mathcal{B}^n \to \mathcal{B}$ is either <u>constant</u> or <u>balanced</u> (we don't know which one)

- D-J Problem: decide whether f is constant or f is balanced
- Complexity (*classical*): in the worst case, we need $(2^{n-1}+1)$ evaluations of f to make a correct decision
- Complexity (quantum): one evaluation of f suffices!!





Using a "programming" notation:

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q_{1}, q_{2} = |0^{n}1\rangle;

q_{1}, q_{2} = H^{\otimes n} \otimes H(q_{1}, q_{2});

q_{1}, q_{2} = U_{f}(q_{1}, q_{2});

q_{1} = H^{\otimes n}(q_{1});

b = Measure(q_{1})
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 $// q_1$ is a quantum register of n qubits!



Preliminary: The Hadamard Transform

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



$$H|1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

$$H|a\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} (-1)^{a \cdot b} |b\rangle$$

Now two qubits:

$$H \otimes H |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle = H \otimes H |xy\rangle$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}} (-1)^{x \cdot a} |a\rangle\right) \otimes \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} (-1)^{y \cdot b} |b\rangle\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b \in \mathcal{B}} (-1)^{x \cdot a + y \cdot b} |a\rangle |b\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}^2} (-1)^{xy \cdot a} |a\rangle$$



Preliminary: The Hadamard Transform

So, for two qubits:

$$H \otimes H |xy\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}^2} (-1)^{xy \cdot a} |a\rangle$$

In general, for $x \in \mathcal{B}^n$ (i.e., a string of n bits)

$$H^{\otimes n}|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{D}^n} (-1)^{x \cdot a} |a\rangle$$
 where $x \cdot a = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \cdot a_i\right) \mod 2$



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 $q_{1}, q_{2} = U_{f}(q_{1}, q_{2});$
 $q_{1} = H^{\otimes n}(q_{1});$
 $b = Measure(q_{1})$

 $|0^n1\rangle$

Apply
$$q_1, q_2 = H^{\otimes n} \otimes H(q_1, q_2)$$

$$= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}^n} \frac{|x\rangle}{\sqrt{2^n}} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

Apply
$$q_1, q_2 = U_f(q_1, q_2)$$

$$=\sum_{x\in\mathbb{Z}^n}\frac{(-1)^{f(x)}|x\rangle}{\sqrt{2^n}}\otimes_{\overline{\sqrt{2}}}^{\underline{1}}(|0\rangle-|1\rangle)$$

Recall that, for $a \in \mathcal{B}^n$

$$U_f(|a\rangle^{\frac{(|0\rangle-|1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}}}) = (-1)^{f(a)}|a\rangle^{\frac{(|0\rangle-|1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}}}$$



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$$= \sum_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{(-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle}{\sqrt{2^n}} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

Apply
$$q_1 = H^{\otimes n}(q_1)$$

$$=\sum_{n}\sum_{n}\frac{(-1)^{x\cdot a+f(x)}|a\rangle}{2^n}\otimes_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}(|0\rangle-|1\rangle)$$

$$H^{\otimes n}|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}^n} (-1)^{x \cdot a} |a\rangle$$

$$= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}^n} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}^n} \frac{(-1)^{x \cdot a + f(x)} |a\rangle}{2^n} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

$$=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^{x\cdot a+f(x)}|a\rangle}{2^n}\otimes_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}(|0\rangle-|1\rangle)$$

$$= \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |a\rangle \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \frac{(-1)^{x \cdot a + f(x)}}{2^n} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

Apply
$$b = Measure(q_1)$$

The amplitude for $|0^n\rangle$ is computed from the sum above by setting $a=0^n$



$$\frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}^n} (-1)^{x \cdot a + f(x)} = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}^n} (-1)^{f(x)}$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{q_{1}, q_{2} = |0^{n}1\rangle;}{q_{1}, q_{2} = H^{\otimes n} \otimes H(q_{1}, q_{2});} \\ & \frac{q_{1}, q_{2} = U_{f}(q_{1}, q_{2});}{q_{1} = H^{\otimes n}(q_{1});} \\ & \frac{q_{1} = H^{\otimes n}(q_{1});}{b = Measure(q_{1})} \end{aligned}$$

The amplitude for $|0^n\rangle$ is thus

$$\frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{B}^n} (-1)^{f(x)} = \underbrace{\frac{\pm 1}{2^n}}_{0} \quad \text{if } f \text{ is constant}$$

If we measure 0^n we know <u>precisely</u> that f is constant. If we measure any other state, then f <u>must be</u> balanced.

Only <u>one</u> evaluation of *f* is needed!

