

QUANTUM DISCOVERY

Quantum speedup

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A first example

The problem of integer factorization

$$15 = 3 \times 5$$



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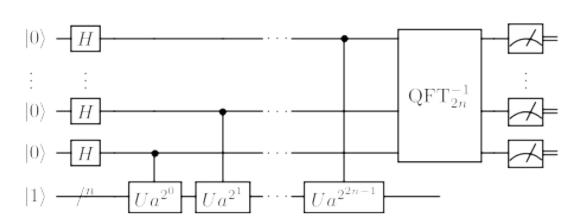


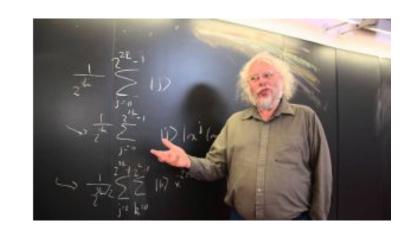
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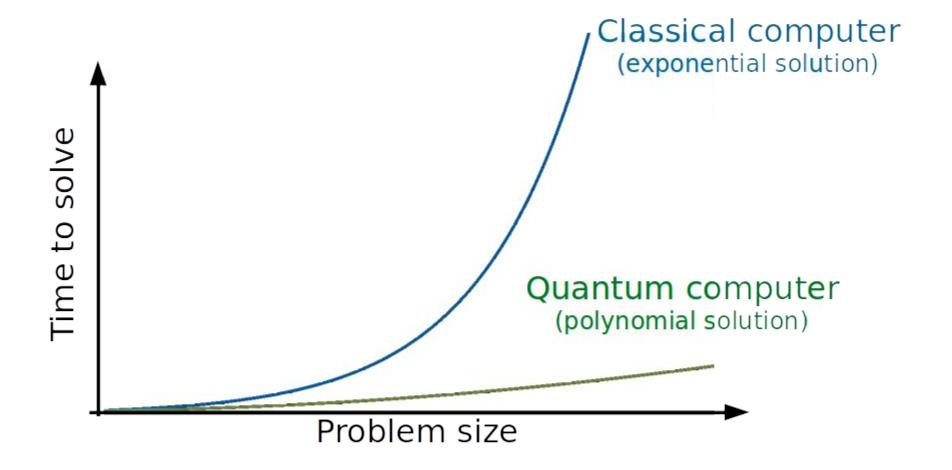
Finding the prime factors of a 2048-bit sequence:

- Classical computer (GHz clock rate): ~10^14 years
- Quantum computer (MHz clock rate, 4096 logical qubits): ~10 seconds
- → Shor's algorithm provides an **exponential speedup**!



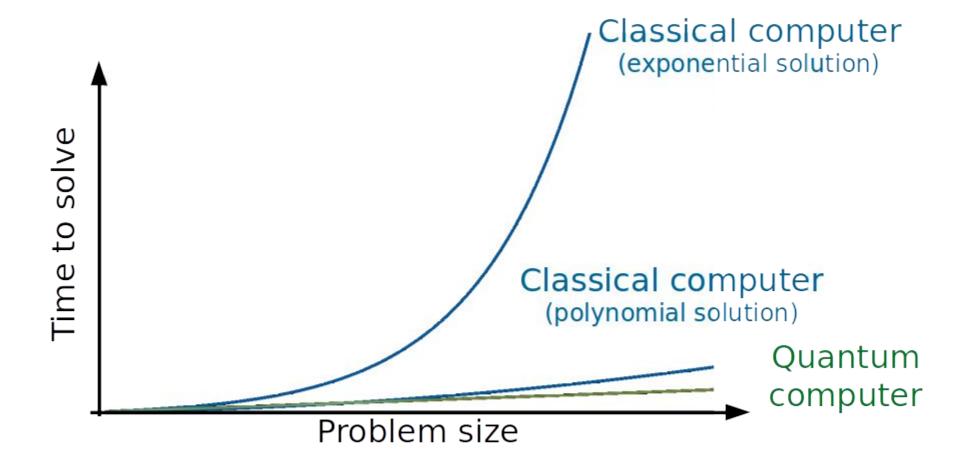


Exponential speedup



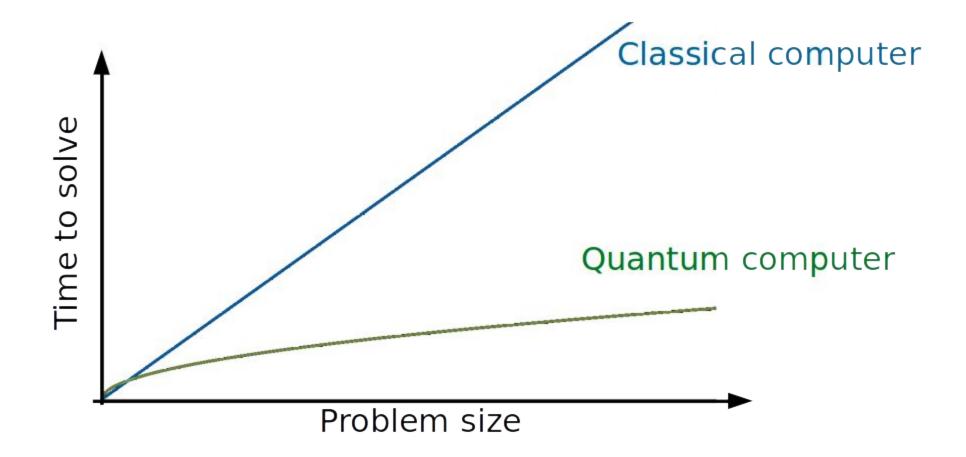


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Conclusion

- → Quantum computers will offer the possibility of performing certain computations much faster than classical devices
- Quantum speedup is the measure of this improved performance by quantum computers
- → Some quantum algorithms provide an exponential speedup versus classical solutions, such as Shor's factoring algorithm
- → While some other quantum algorithms provide a quadratic speedup, such as Grover's search algorithm
- → A quadratic speedup is less significant than an exponential speedup
- → The case of hybrid quantum-classical algorithms will be discussed in next videos as there is no clear view on their algorithmic complexity

