

Implementation of Shor's Algorithm

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What is Shor's Algorithm?



- Quantum algorithm that factorizes a large integer N into prime factors**
- Extremely demanding task for a classical computer (runtime $O(N)$)**
- Exponential speedup on a quantum computer: $O(\log N)$**
- Superposition enables parallel computation of multiple states**

Introduction to Shor's Algorithm

From Factorizing to Period Finding

Factorization

TWO INTEGERS A&B COPRIME (NO COMMON FACTOR)

$$A^p = mB + 1$$

$$7^4 = 160 \cdot 15 + 1$$

$$42^3 = 5699 \cdot 13 + 1$$

SIMILARLY, WE CAN TAKE A RANDOM GUESS AND RAISE IT TO A POWER P

$$g^p = mN + 1 \Rightarrow g^p - 1 = mN \Rightarrow (g^{p/2} + 1)(g^{p/2} - 1) = mN$$

BETTER GUESS!

EITHER A FACTOR OF N OR SHARES FACTORS WITH N

GREATEST COMMON DIVISOR

$$\gcd(g^{p/2} + 1, N)$$

$$\gcd(g^{p/2} - 1, N)$$

Factorization

A BETTER STRATEGY:

LOOK FOR POWER P!

$$g^p \mod N = 1$$



GOAL OF SHOR'S ALGORITHM!

Factorization

SOME PROBLEMS:

1

POWER P IS ODD



$$g^{\frac{p}{2}} + 1 \quad g^{\frac{p}{2}} - 1$$

2

$$\begin{aligned} g^{p/2} + 1 &= aN \\ (g^{p/2} - 1)a &= m \end{aligned}$$

SHARE NO COMMON FACTOR WITH N

EMPIRICALLY SPEAKING, 37.5% OF THE TIME THESE PROBLEMS DO NOT OCCUR



SIMPLY TAKE ANOTHER GUESS

Period Finding

SHOR'S ALGORITHM TURNS THE PROBLEM OF FACTORIZATION INTO A PERIOD FINDING PROBLEM

$$\begin{cases} g^p = m_1 N + 1 \\ g^x = m_r N + r \end{cases}$$

TAKE $x+p$ AS THE POWER

$$g^{x+p} = (m_r N + r)(m_1 N + 1) = MN + r$$

$$g^{x+p} \mod N = r$$

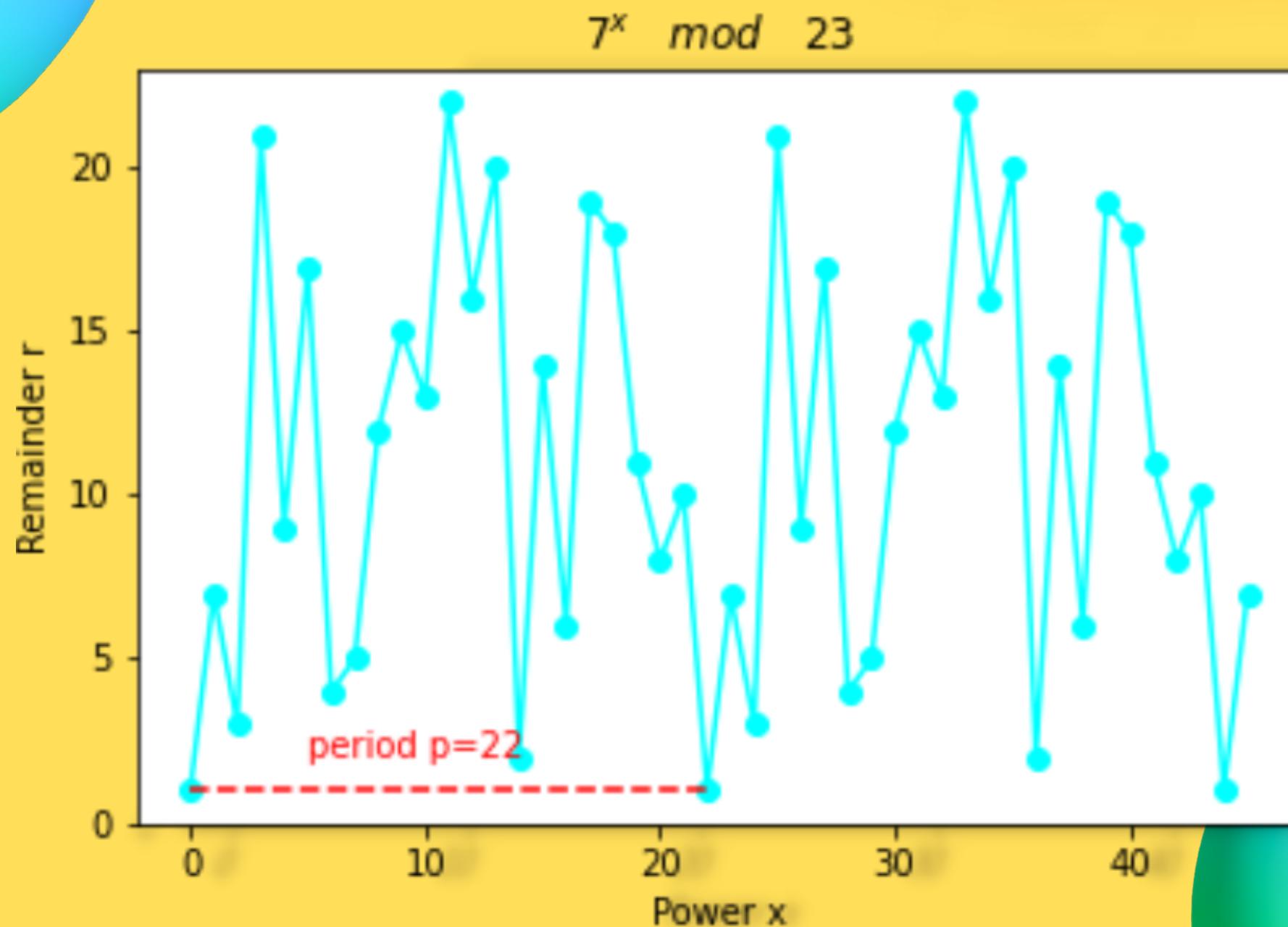
A SHIFT OF P IN POWER DOES NOT CHANGE THE VALUE OF THE MODULO OPERATION!

Period Finding

THE POWER HAS A REPEATING PROPERTY

P IS THE PERIOD!

$$g^p \mod N = 1$$

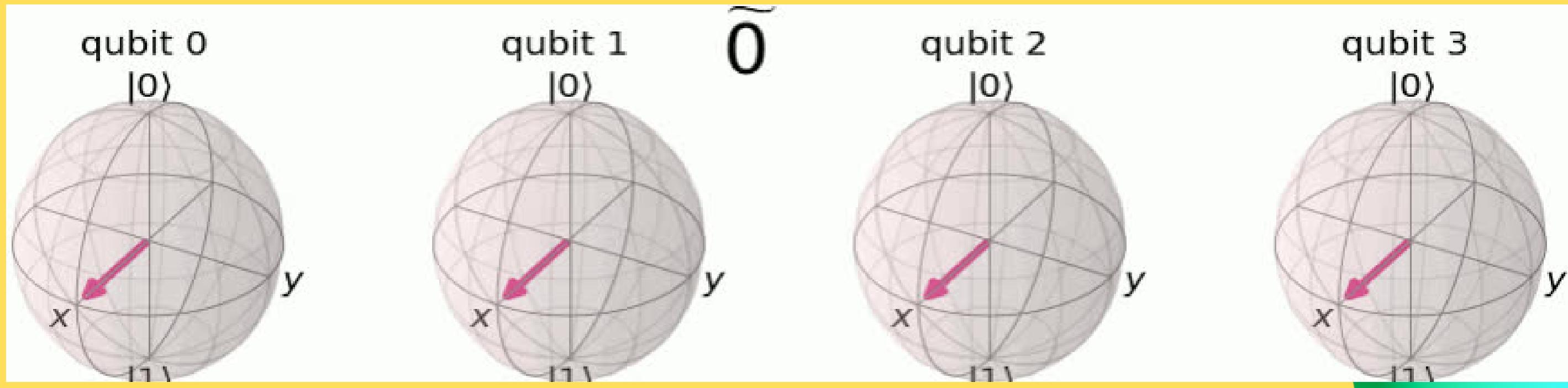
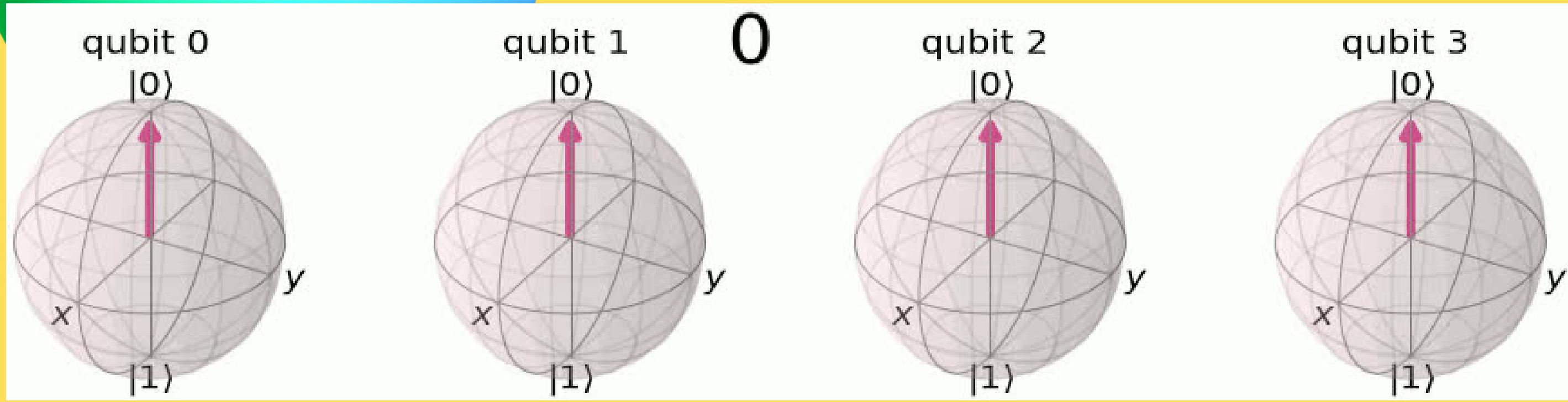


Components of Shor's Algorithm

QFT, QPE, Modular Exponentiation

Quantum Fourier Transform

MAPS THE QUBITS FROM COMPUTATIONAL BASIS TO FOURIER BASIS. E.X. 1-QUBIT QFT: $H|0\rangle = |+\rangle$



Quantum Fourier Transform

$$\begin{aligned} QFT|x\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} w_N^{xy} |y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} e^{\frac{2\pi i xy}{2^n}} |y\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i (\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{y_k}{2^k})x} |y_1 y_2 \dots y_n\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} \prod_{k=1}^n e^{\frac{2\pi i x y_k}{2^k}} |y_1 y_2 \dots y_n\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left(\sum_{y_1=0}^1 e^{\frac{2\pi i x y_1}{2}} |y_1\rangle \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{y_2=0}^1 e^{\frac{2\pi i x y_2}{2^2}} |y_2\rangle \right) \otimes \dots \otimes \left(\sum_{y_n=0}^1 e^{\frac{2\pi i x y_n}{2^n}} |y_n\rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \bigotimes_{k=1}^n (|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i x}{2^k}} |1\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

$$QFT : |x\rangle \rightarrow |\tilde{x}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} w_N^{xy} |y\rangle , \quad w_N = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{N}}$$

$$QFT|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \bigotimes_{k=1}^n (|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i x}{2^k}} |1\rangle)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |x\rangle &= |x_1\rangle \otimes |x_2\rangle \dots \otimes |x_n\rangle \\ x &= 2^{n-1}x_1 + 2^{n-2}x_2 + \dots + x_n \end{aligned}$$



Quantum Fourier Transform

1. **HADAMARD GATES:** FLIP THE QUBITS TO X-Y PLANE
2. **PHASE GATES:** ASSIGN A CERTAIN PHASE TO EACH QUBIT

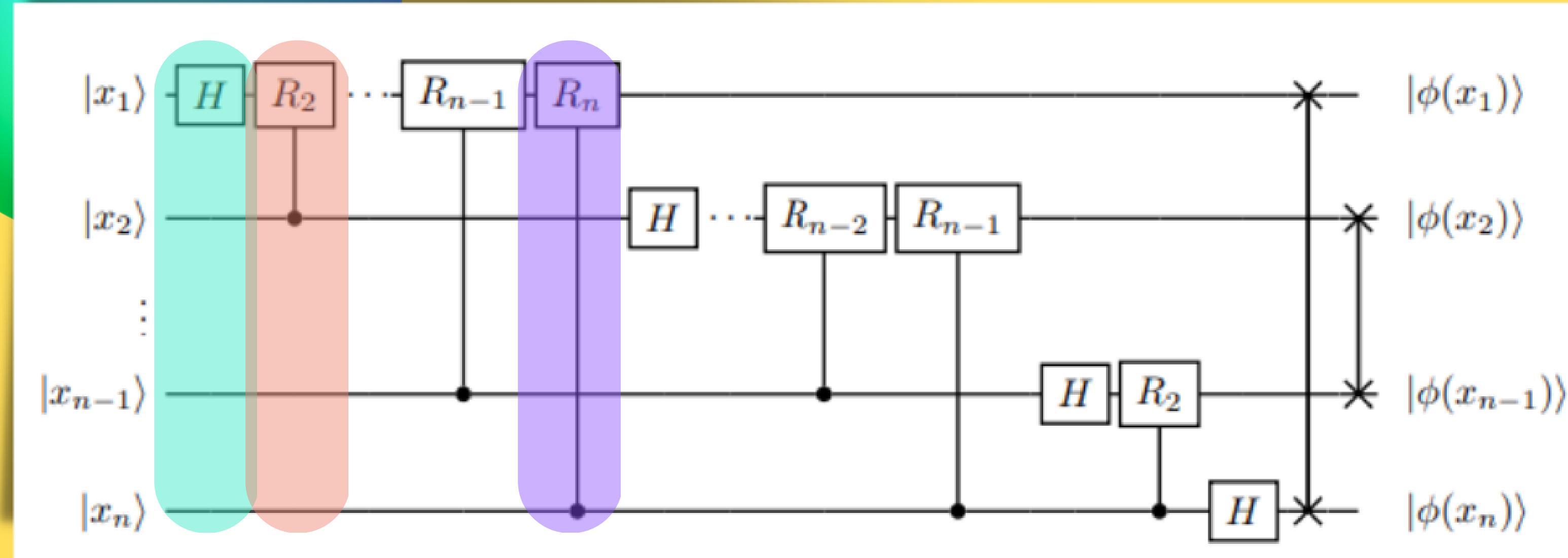
$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\frac{2\pi i}{2^k}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$QFT|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \bigotimes_{k=1}^n (|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i x}{2^k}} |1\rangle)$$

$$CR_k|x_1x_2\rangle = |x_1\rangle \otimes e^{\frac{2\pi i x_1}{2^k}} |x_2\rangle$$

Quantum Fourier Transform



$$H|x_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i x_1}{2}}|1\rangle)$$

$$CR_2 H|x_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i (2x_1+x_2)}{2^2}}|1\rangle)$$

$$CR_2 \dots R_n H|x_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i x}{2^n}}|1\rangle) = |\tilde{x}_n\rangle$$

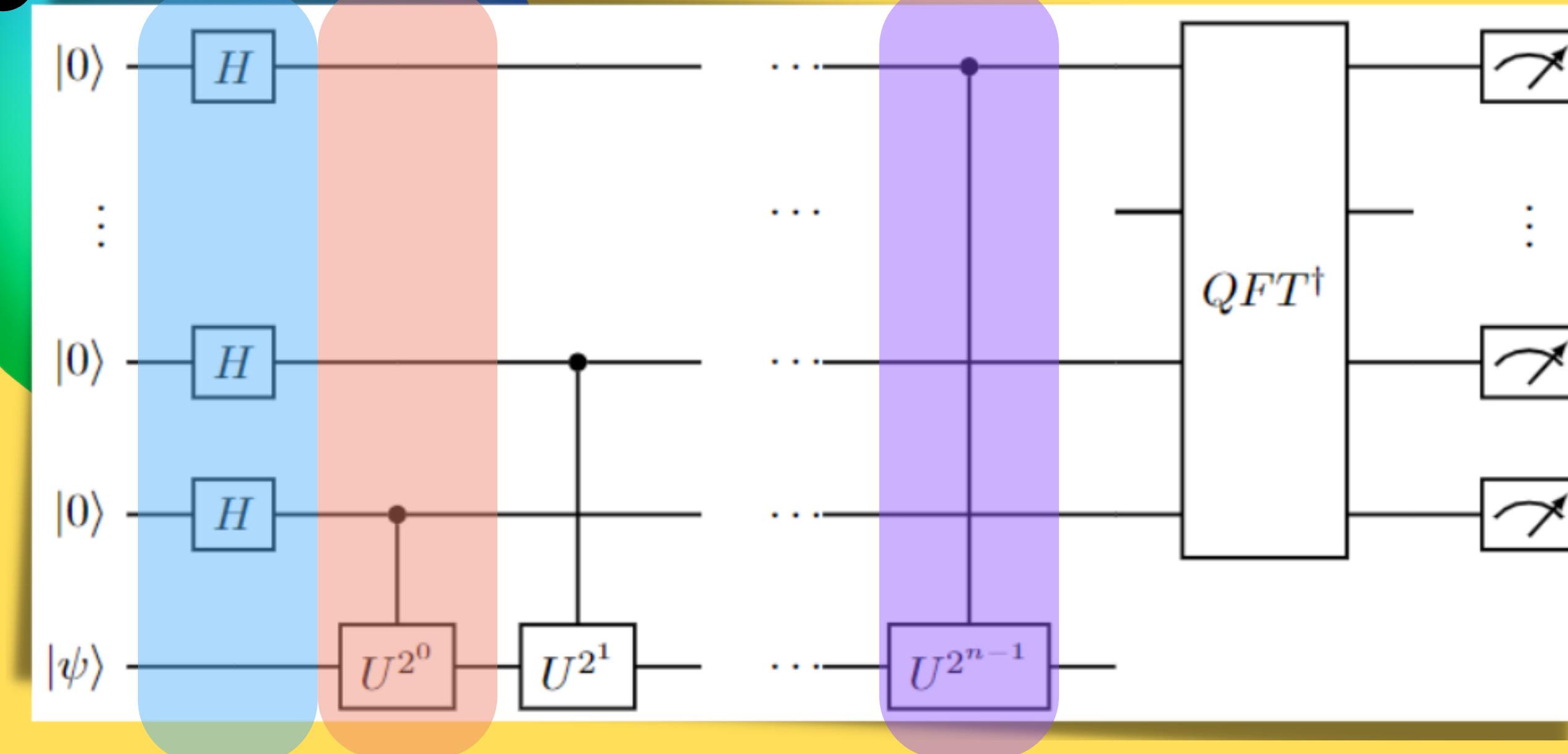
Quantum Phase Estimation

- *COMPUTES THE **PHASE** OF THE EIGENVALUE OF A GIVEN UNITARY OPERATOR AND ITS EIGENVECTOR.
- *THE **PERIOD** OF POWER P IS ENCODED IN THE PHASE OF A SPECIFIC UNITARY OPERATOR.
- *THE CONSTRUCTION OF QPE EXPLOITS ITS RESEMBLANCE TO QFT.

$$U|\psi\rangle = e^{2\pi i \theta} |\psi\rangle$$



Quantum Phase Estimation



$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^n(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)^{\otimes n}|\psi\rangle$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^n(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \theta \cdot 2^{n-1}}|1\rangle) \otimes (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \theta \cdot 2^{n-2}}|1\rangle) \otimes \dots (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \theta \cdot 2^0}|1\rangle)|\psi\rangle$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^n(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)^{\otimes n-1} \otimes (|0\rangle|\psi\rangle + |1\rangle e^{2\pi i \theta \cdot 2^0}|\psi\rangle)$$

$$|x\rangle \equiv |2^n \theta\rangle$$

$$QFT|x\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \bigotimes_{k=1}^n (|0\rangle + e^{\frac{2\pi i x}{2^k}}|1\rangle)$$



Modular Exponentiation

$$a^k \mod N$$

*THE GREATEST CHALLENGE IN BUILDING THE CIRCUIT OF SHOR'S ALGORITHM.

*TAKES MANY QUBITS AND GATES TO OPERATE ONE COMPUTATION

*CONSIDER THE UNITARY TRANSFORMATION:

$$U|x\rangle = |ax \bmod N\rangle$$

*TAKE THE INITIAL STATE $|x\rangle$ TO BE $|1\rangle$ AND APPLY U FOR MULTIPLE TIMES:



$$U^r|1\rangle = |a^r \bmod N\rangle = |1\rangle$$

Modular Exponentiation

$a^k \mod N$

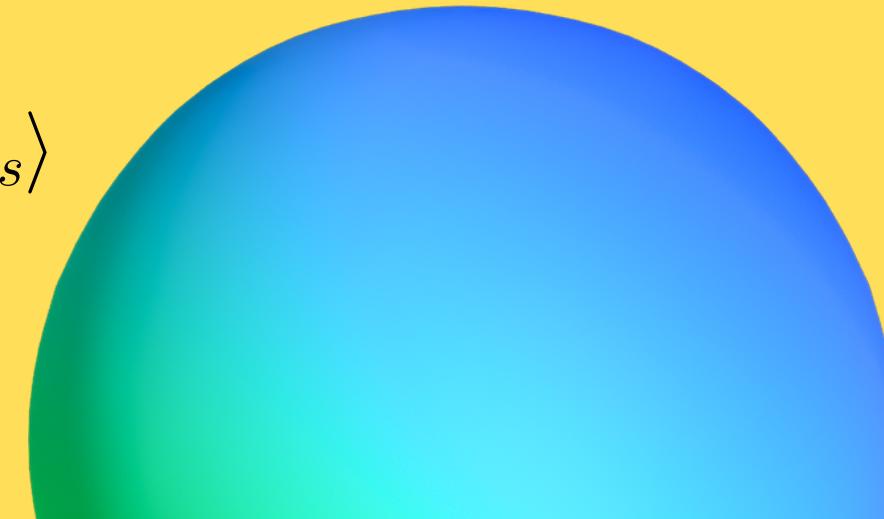
*A SUPERPOSITION OF ALL THE BASIS STATES WITHIN ONE CYCLE WOULD BE AN EIGENSTATE OF U

$$|u_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} |a^k \mod N\rangle$$

*TO GENERALIZE, ADDITIONAL PHASES CAN BE INTRODUCED TO EACH BASIS STATE:

$$|u_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} e^{\frac{-2\pi iks}{r}} |a^k \mod N\rangle \quad s \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 \leq s \leq r-1$$

$$U|u_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} e^{\frac{2\pi is}{r}} e^{\frac{-2\pi i(k+1)s}{r}} |a^{k+1} \mod N\rangle = e^{\frac{2\pi is}{r}} |u_s\rangle$$



Modular Exponentiation

*IF WE SUM UP ALL THE POSSIBLE EIGENSTATES, ALL TERMS CANCEL OUT EXCEPT FOR $|1\rangle$ (K=0)

$$|u_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} e^{\frac{-2\pi i k s}{r}} |a^k \bmod N\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} |u_s\rangle = |1\rangle$$

$$U|1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} e^{\frac{2\pi i s}{r}} |u_s\rangle$$

*IF QPE IS APPLIED TO U & $|1\rangle$:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{s=0}^{r-1} |2^n \frac{s}{r}\rangle$$



**SHOR'S ALGORITHM IS NOTHING BUT QPE OF
MODULAR EXPONENTIATION IN DISGUISE!**



Complete Layout of Shor's Algorithm

*THE PERIOD FOR FACTORIZATION CAN BE DERIVED FROM EXECUTING QPE ON A SPECIFIC U:

$$U^k |1\rangle = |a^k \mod N\rangle$$

$$U^k \equiv a^k \mod N$$

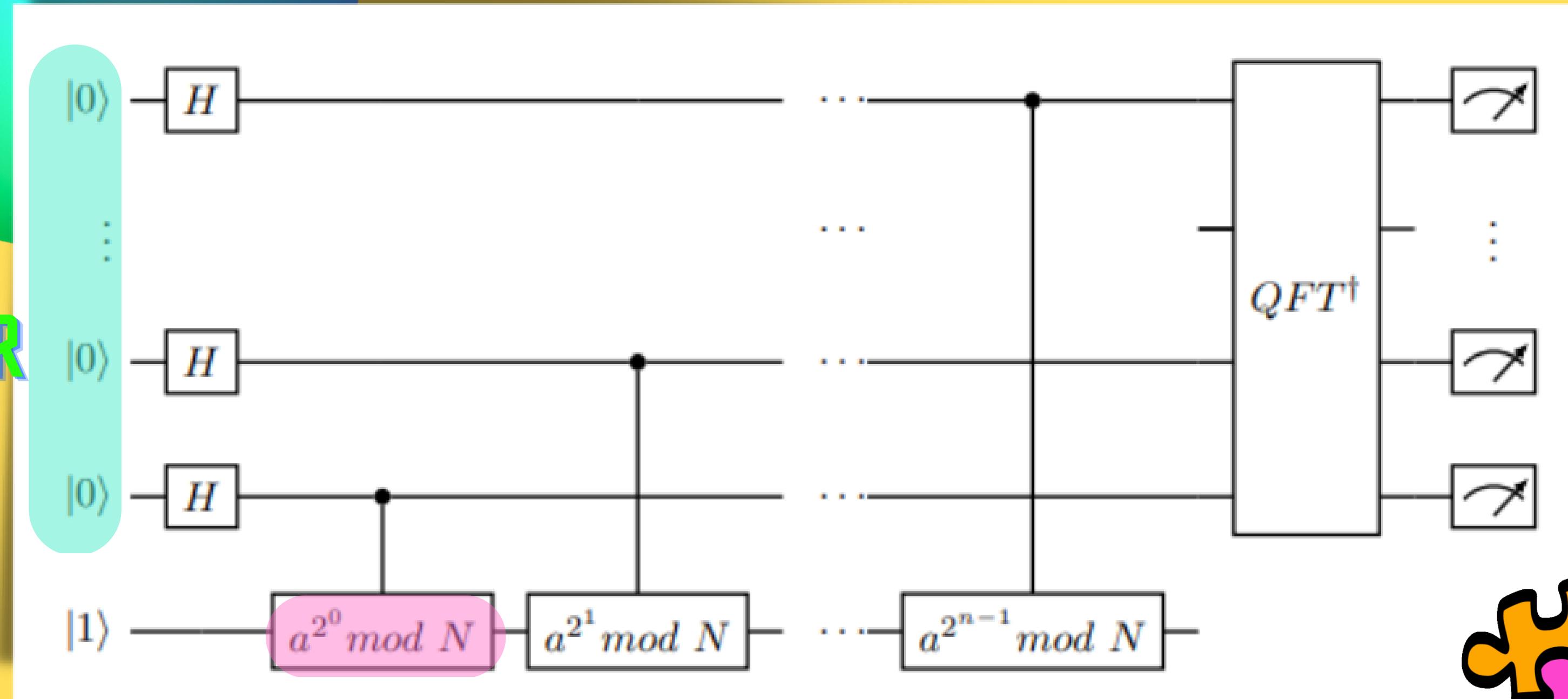
*MODULAR EXPONENTIATION CAN BE REALIZED AS A SERIES OF CONTROLLED GATES:

$$U^k = U^{2^0 k_n} U^{2^1 k_{n-1}} \dots U^{2^{n-1} k_1}$$



Complete Layout of Shor's Algorithm

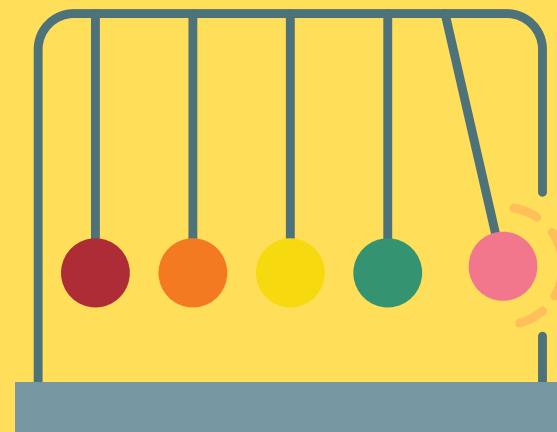
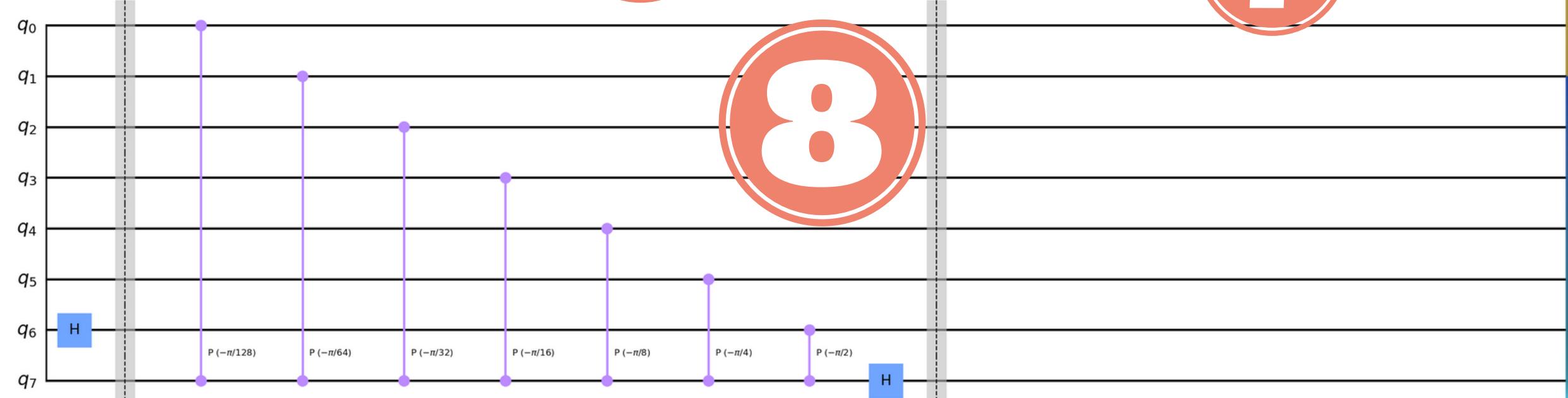
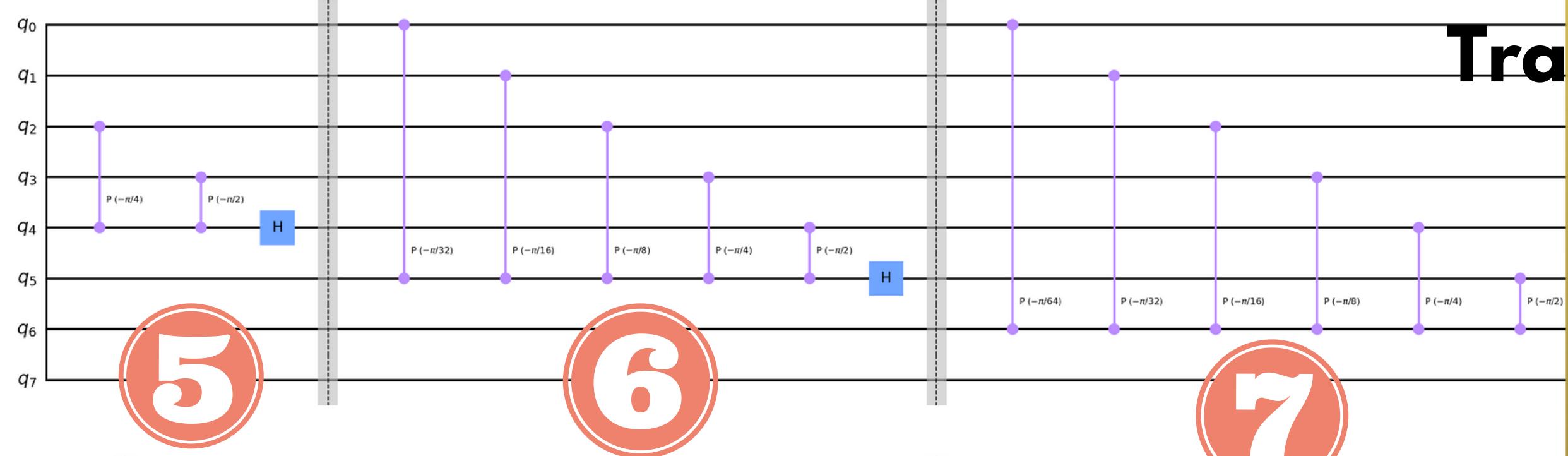
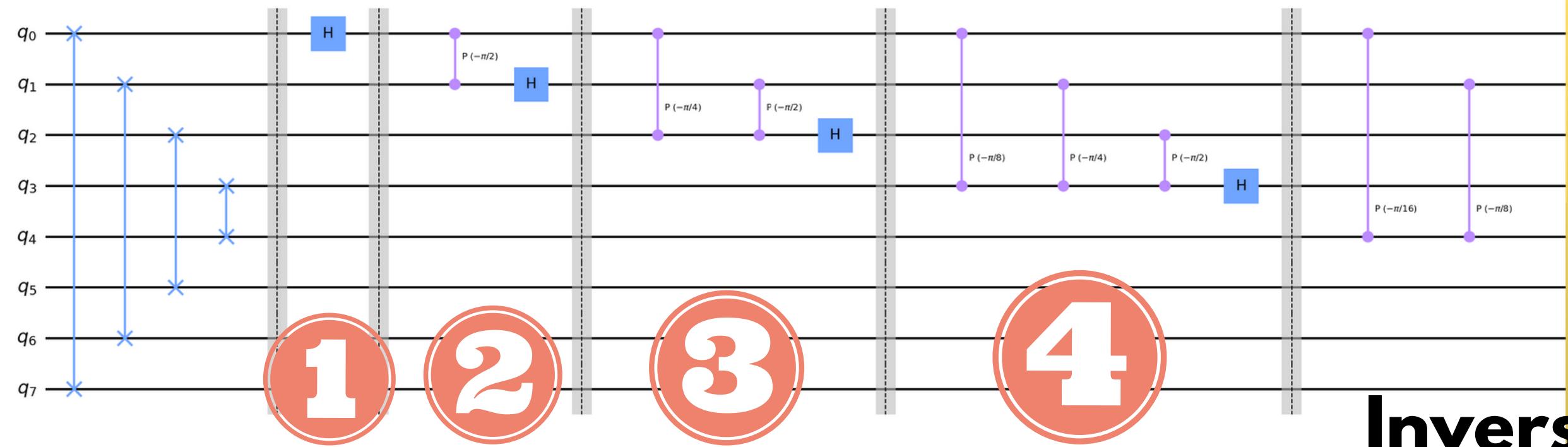
POWER



Implementation with Qiskit

Simple Case Study N=15 a=7

Inverse Fourier Transform

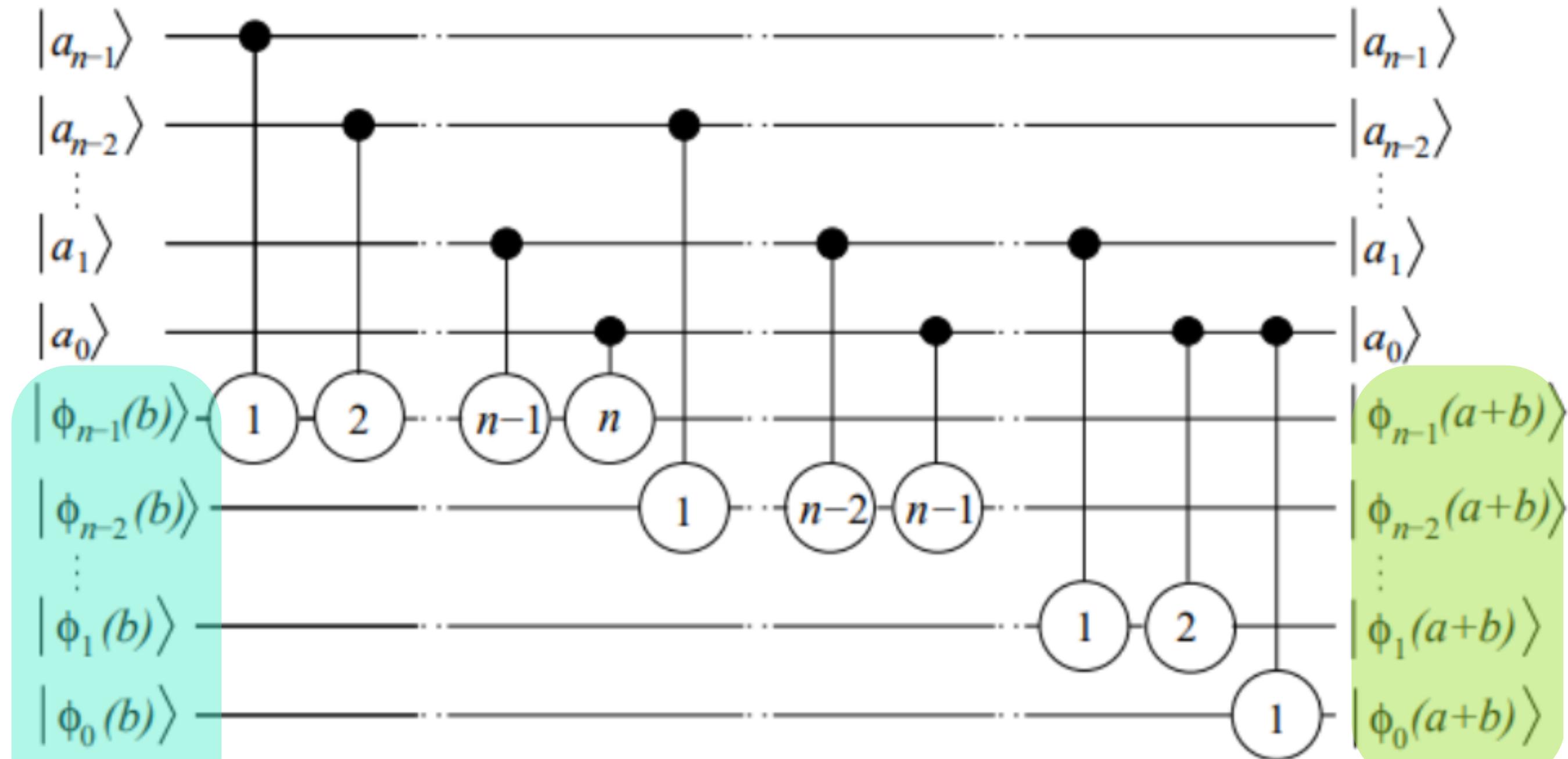


Modular Exponentiation

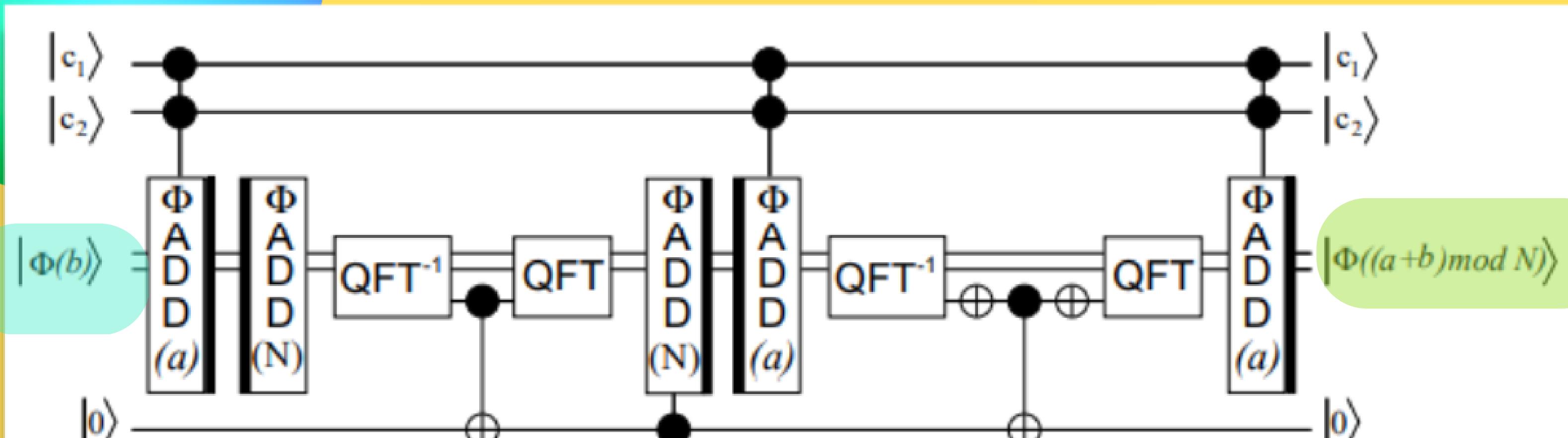


Draper QFT Adder

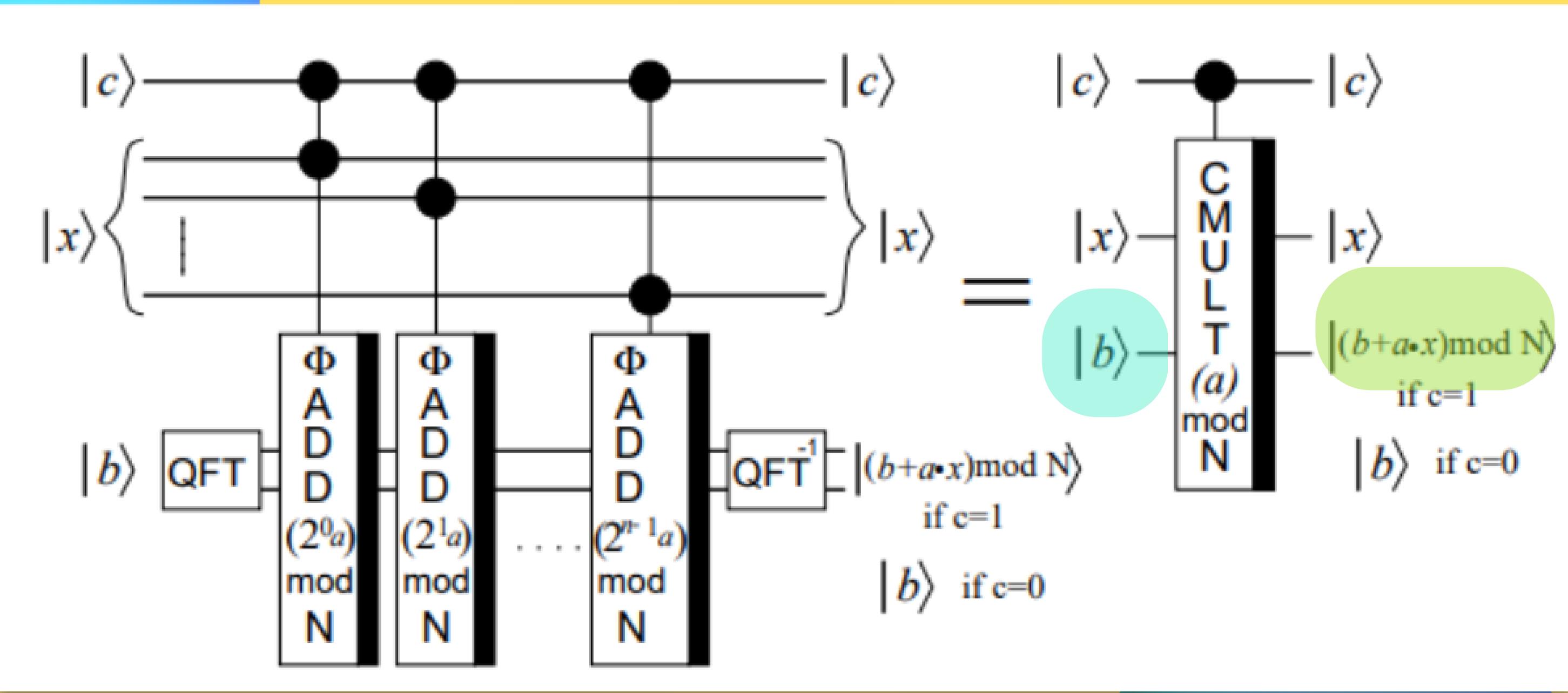
Addition Transform



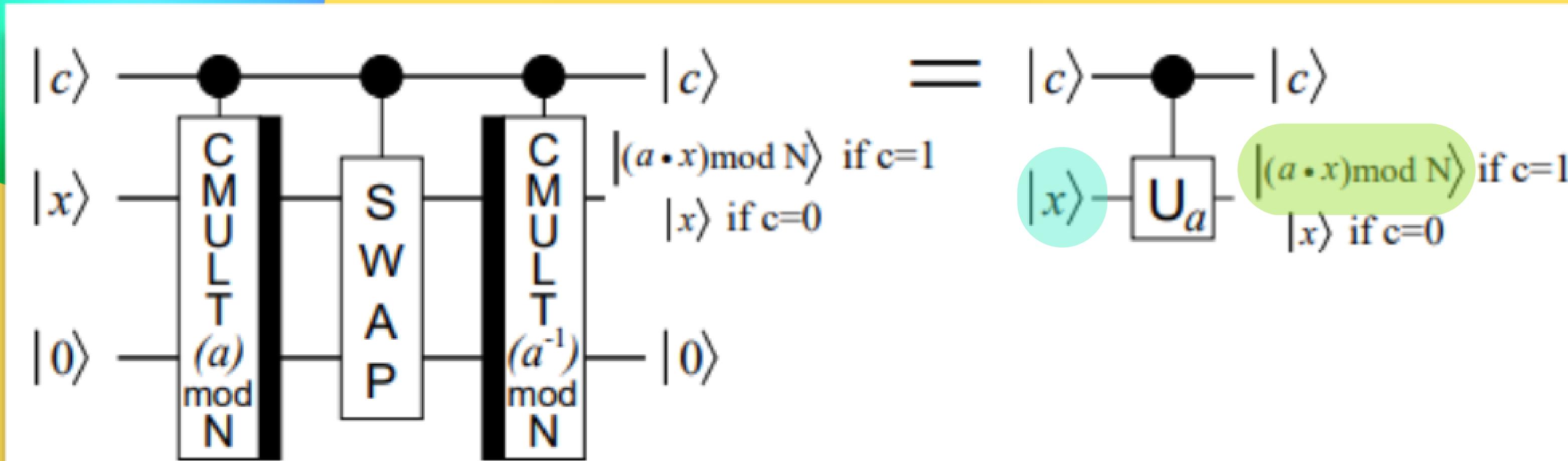
Modular Adder Gate



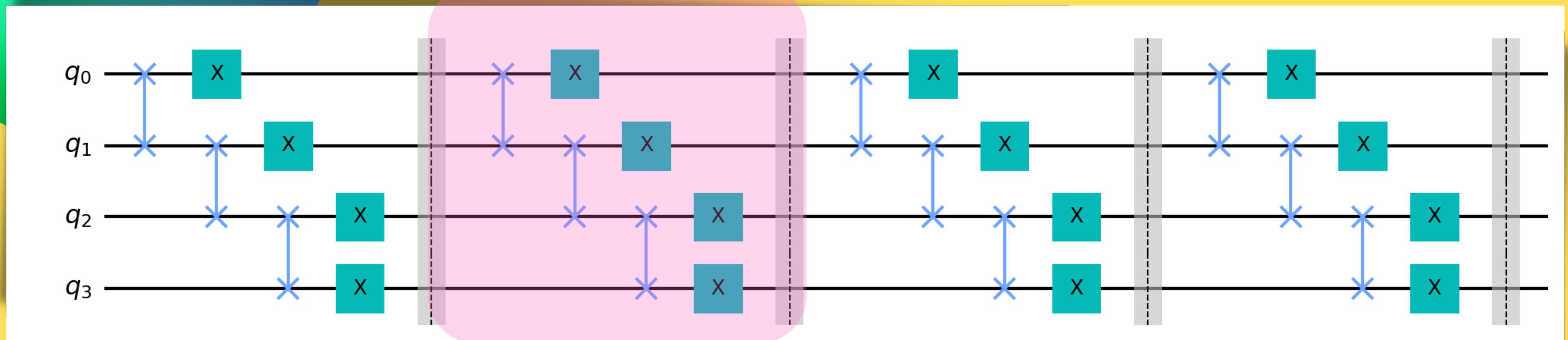
Controlled Multiplier Gate



Controlled-U_a Gate



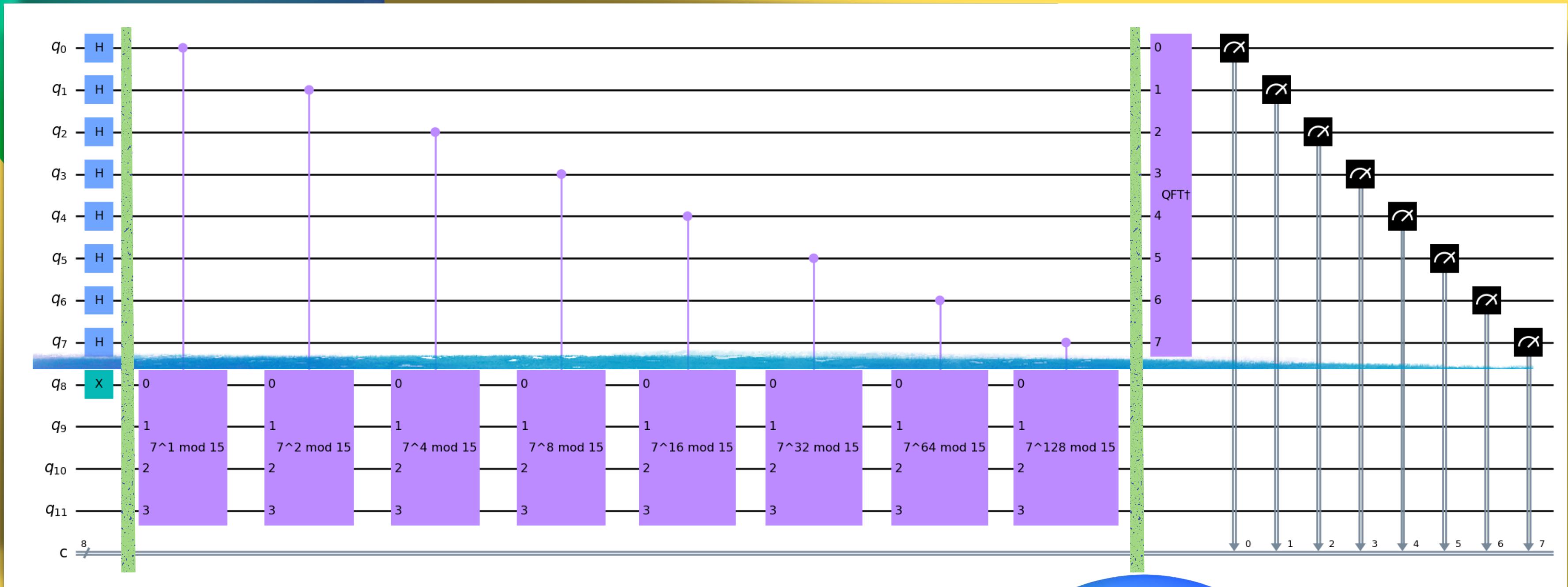
Simplified Circuit for $7x \bmod 15$



$$U|x\rangle = |7x \bmod 15\rangle$$

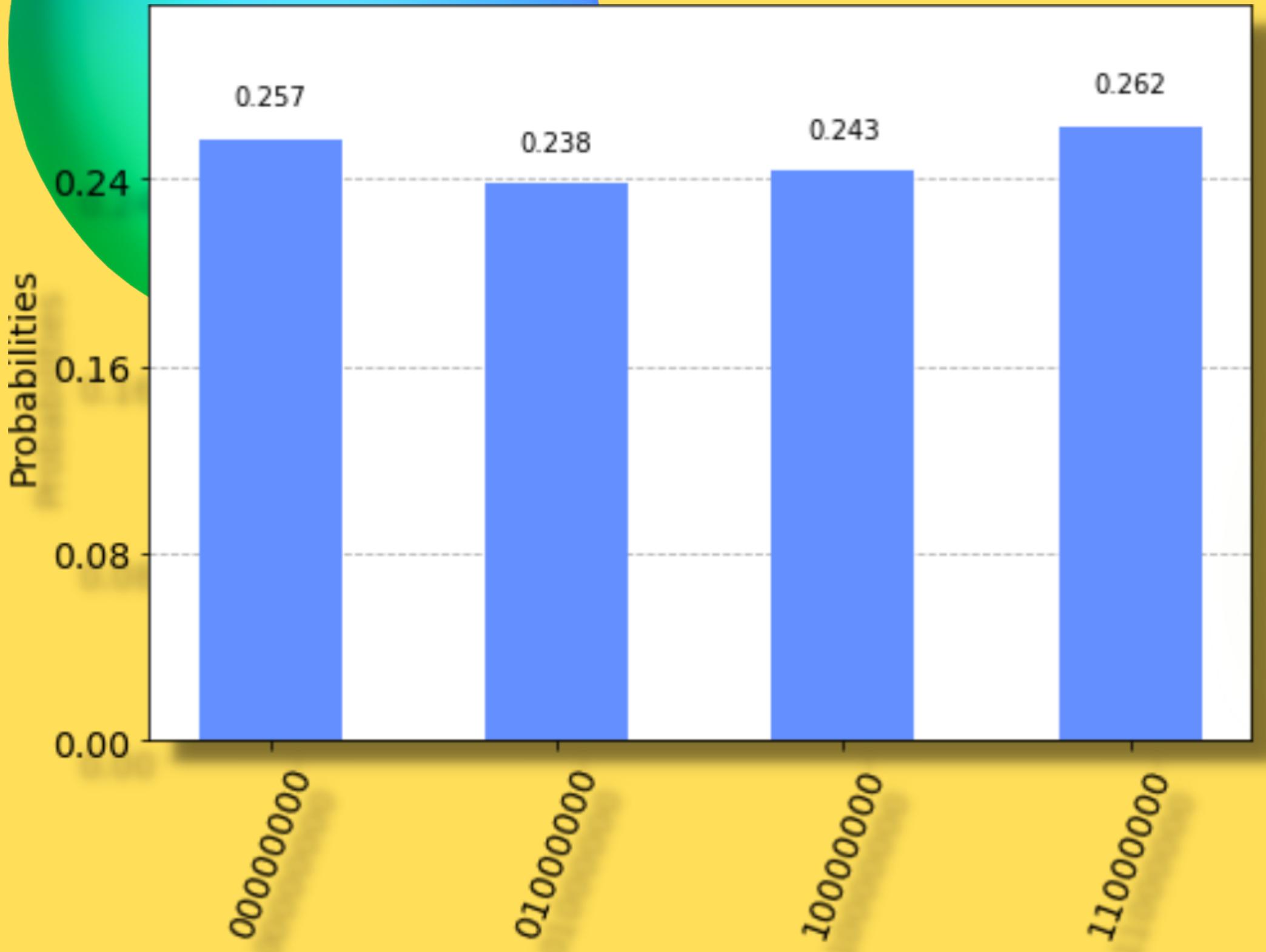
$$U^4|1\rangle = |7^4 \bmod 15\rangle$$

Final Layout



$N=15$ $a=7$

Measurement



$$|2^n \frac{s}{r}\rangle = 0, 64, 128, 192$$
$$\frac{s}{r} = 0, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$$

PERIOD=4



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