

# Quantum Oracle: Definition

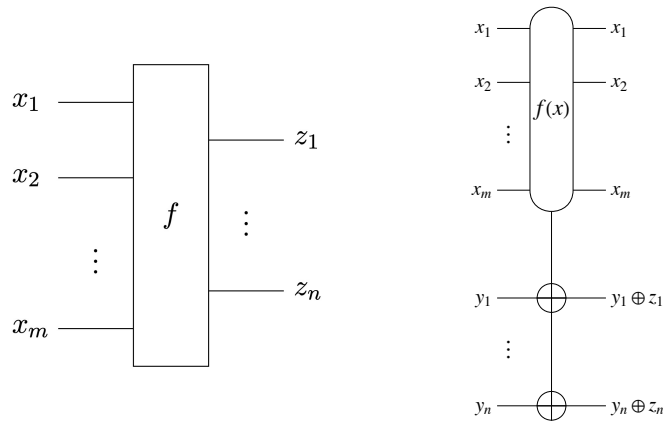
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## Classical Oracle: Review

### Classical Oracle



**Figure 1. (Left)** A circuit diagram of classical oracle  $f : \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ .  $x$  is an  $m$ -bit string,  $x \in \{0, 1\}^m$ , and  $z$  denotes the image of  $f$  at  $x$ ,  $z = f(x) \in \{0, 1\}^n$ . **(Right)** A reversible version of classical oracle  $f : \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ .  $x \in \{0, 1\}^m$  and  $y \in \{0, 1\}^n$  are  $m$ -bit and  $n$ -bit strings, respectively, and  $z = f(x) \in \{0, 1\}^n$  denotes the image of  $f$  at  $x$ .

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In[*]:= $m = 3;
          $n = 2;

In[*]:= f[1] = f[2] = 3;
          f[7] = 2;
          f[_Integer] = 0;
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In[*]:= ff = Oracle[f, $m, $n]
Out[*]:= Oracle[f, 3, 2]
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In[*]:= xx = Tuples[{0, 1}, $m]
Out[*]:= {{0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 1}, {0, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 1}, {1, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 1}, {1, 1, 0}, {1, 1, 1}}
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In[*]:= zz = ff /@ xx
Out[*]:= {{0, 0}, {1, 1}, {1, 1}, {0, 0}, {0, 0}, {0, 0}, {0, 0}, {1, 0}}

In[*]:= Thread[xx -> zz] // TableForm
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{0, 0, 1} -> {1, 1}
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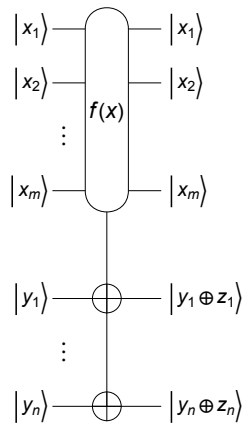
## Quantum Oracle

### Definition

The *quantum oracle* corresponding to the classical oracle  $f$  is simply an implementation of the above extended mapping for reversible computation on quantum registers. It is a quantum gate operation defined by the association

$$U_f: |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle \otimes |f(x) \oplus y\rangle,$$

where  $|x\rangle$  and  $|y\rangle$  are the computational basis states belonging to the native and auxiliary register of  $m$  and  $n$  qubits, respectively.



**Figure 3.** A quantum circuit for the quantum oracle corresponding to classical oracle  $f: \{0, 1\}^m \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^n$ , which is a direct analogue of the classical reversible oracle in Figure 2.  $x \in \{0, 1\}^m$  and  $y \in \{0, 1\}^n$  is  $m$ -bit and  $n$ -bit strings, respectively, and  $z = f(x) \in \{0, 1\}^n$  denotes the image of  $f$  at  $x$ .

- Since the extended mapping is one-to-one and the computational basis states are orthonormal, the operator  $U_f$  is unitary.
- Recall that  $U_f$  is a linear operator and can act on any arbitrary superposition states.

## Example

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In[*]:= Let[Qubit, S, T]

In[*]:= SS = S[Range[$m], $];
        TT = T[Range[$n], $];

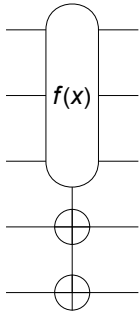
In[*]:= op = Oracle[f, SS, TT]
Out[*]:= Oracle[f, {S1, S2, S3}, {T1, T2}]
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**Note:** `Oracle[f, {c1, c2, ...}, {t1, t2, ...}]` represents quantum oracle while `Oracle[f, m, n]` refers to the classical oracle.

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In[*]:= qc = QuantumCircuit[op]
Out[*]:=
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In[*]:= in = Basis[SS, TT];
        ProductForm[in, {SS, TT}]
Out[*]:=
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In[*]:= out = op ** in;
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ProductForm[out, {SS, TT}]
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Out[*]=
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## Summary

### Keywords

- Oracle
- Quantum oracle
- Quantum decision making

### Functions

- Oracle
- ControlledExp

### Related Links

- Section 4.2 of the Quantum Workbook (2022, 2023).
- Tutorial: Quantum Oracle
- Tutorial: Quantum Decision Algorithms