

Element Distinctness by Quantum Walk Algorithm

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Problem Statement

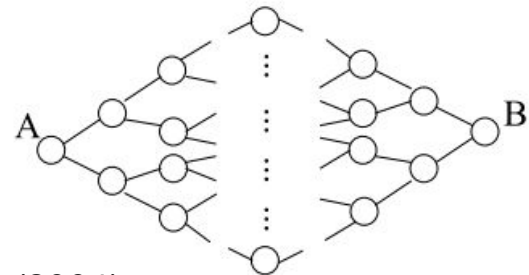
- Given a set S with N elements, are all the elements distinct?
- Element k -distinctness or k collision:
 - A subset of k equal elements: $x_{i1} = \dots = x_{ik}$
- Element Distinctness:
 - Finding two equal elements: $k=2$

Element Distinctness (k=2): Classical vs Quantum

- Classical: $\Omega(N)$ for query and $O(N \log N)$ for sorting
- Quantum:
 - Buhrman et al. (2004): $O(N^{3/4})$ queries
 - Aaronson & Shi (2004): lower bound $O(N^{2/3})$
 - **Ambainis (2007)**: $O(N^{2/3})$ by quantum walk

Quantum Walk Algorithm

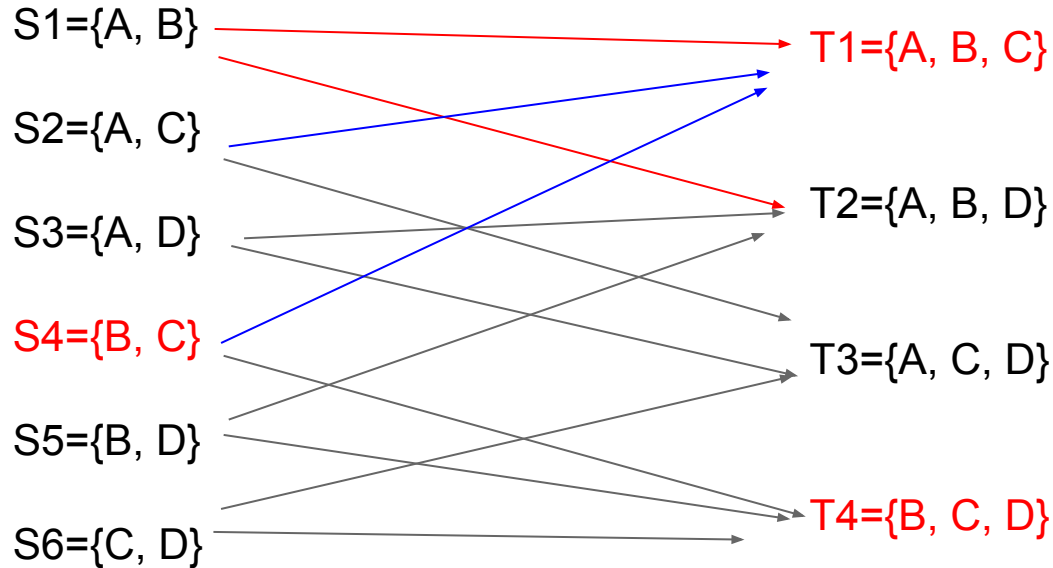
- Classical: random walk on a graph
- Quantum Walk: superposition nature → randomness
- Quantum Walk Search on a graph
 - General: quadratically faster than classical search
 - Some special graph (ex: Glued tree): exponentially faster



Element Distinctness using Quantum Walk

$x = (x_A, x_B, x_C, x_D)$

Total number of queries: $M+r$



$N=4$
 $r=2$
 $k=2$

Element Distinctness (Step 1 and 2)

1. Generate the uniform superposition $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\binom{N}{r}(N-r)}} \sum_{|S|=r, y \notin S} |S\rangle |y\rangle$.

2. Query all x_i for $i \in S$. This transforms the state to

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\binom{N}{r}(N-r)}} \sum_{|S|=r, y \notin S} |S\rangle |y\rangle \bigotimes_{i \in S} |x_i\rangle.$$

$$|\phi_{j,l}\rangle \quad |S \cap B, C| = j \text{ and } |y \cap B, C| = l$$

$$\langle \phi_{j,0} | \phi_{start} \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{\binom{k}{j} \binom{n-k}{r-j} ((n-k) - (r-j))}}{\sqrt{\binom{n}{r} (n-r)}}$$

$$\langle \phi_{j,1} | \phi_{start} \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{\binom{k}{j} \binom{n-k}{r-j} (k-j)}}{\sqrt{\binom{n}{r} (n-r)}}$$

$$|\phi_{0,0}\rangle = 0$$

$$|\phi_{0,1}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |AD, B\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |AD, C\rangle$$

$$|\phi_{1,0}\rangle = \frac{1}{2} |AB, D\rangle + \frac{1}{2} |AC, D\rangle + \frac{1}{2} |BD, A\rangle + \frac{1}{2} |CD, A\rangle$$

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$$|\phi_{2,0}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |BC, A\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |BC, D\rangle$$

$$(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}})$$

Element Distinctness (Step 3 and 4)

3. $t_1 = O((N/r)^{k/2})$ times repeat:

- (a) Apply the conditional phase flip (the transformation $|S\rangle|y\rangle|x\rangle \rightarrow -|S\rangle|y\rangle|x\rangle$) for S such that $x_{i_1} = x_{i_2} = \dots = x_{i_k}$ for k distinct $i_1, \dots, i_k \in S$.
- (b) Perform $t_2 = O(\sqrt{r})$ steps of the quantum walk (algorithm [1](#)).

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$D_m = \begin{pmatrix} -1 + \frac{2}{m} & \frac{2}{m} & \dots & \frac{2}{m} \\ \frac{2}{m} & -1 + \frac{2}{m} & \dots & \frac{2}{m} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \frac{2}{m} & \frac{2}{m} & \dots & -1 + \frac{2}{m} \end{pmatrix} \quad U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad U_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Simulation for arbitrary N and k=2

- Mathematica Results

$$N = 15, r = 6, t1 = 2, t2 = 2$$

$$p = (0.00256282, 0.169971, 0.00734126, 0.087622, 0.732503)$$

$$N = 500, r = 62, t1 = 8, t2 = 6$$

$$p = (0.0307232, 0.0496646, 0.0118242, 0.161007, 0.746782)$$

$$N = 234857, r = 3806, t1 = 61, t2 = 46$$

$$p = (0.0226436, 0.0108335, 0.000577899, 0.242028, 0.723917)$$

Circuit Implementation for N=4, k=2

- Initial state: $(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}})$
- Reduction to two-qubit problem
 - Invariance of $|\phi_{0,0}\rangle$

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5x5 matrices

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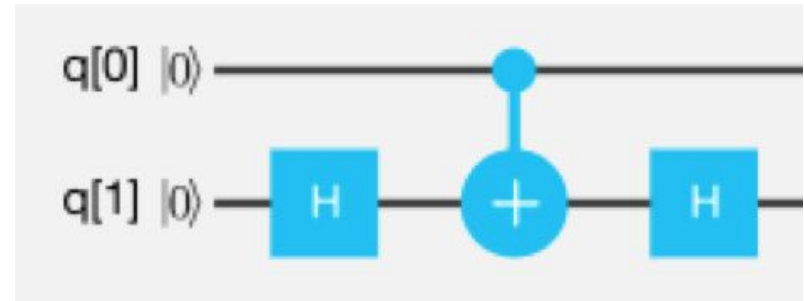
5x5 matrices \rightarrow 4x4 matrices (two-qubit system)

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- Initial state: $(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}})$
- Subroutines: U, U1, U2
 - U: conditional phase flip only for $|\phi_{2,0}\rangle$

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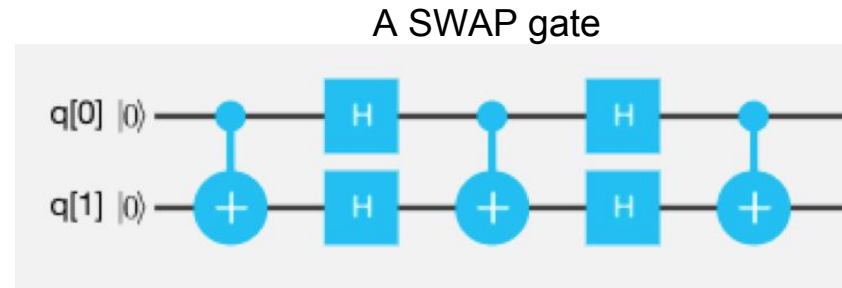
A controlled-Z gate



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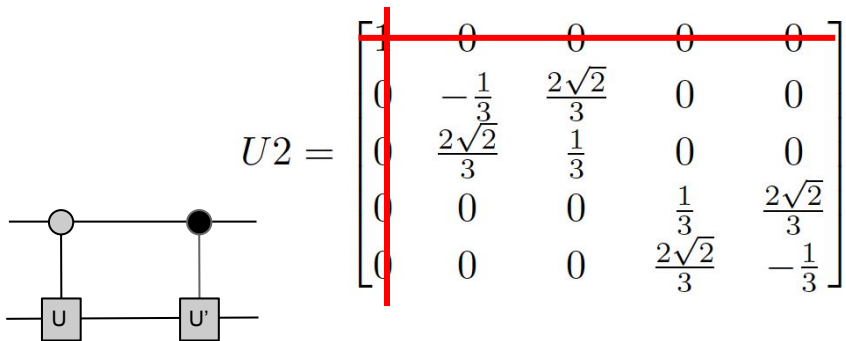
- Initial state: $(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}})$
- Subroutines: U, U1, U2
 - U1: step 1-3 for quantum walk

$$U1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Circuit Implementation for $N=4$, $k=2$

- Initial state: $(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}})$
- Subroutines: U , $U1$, $U2$
 - $U2$: step 4-6 for quantum walk



Block diagonal \rightarrow two controlled U gates

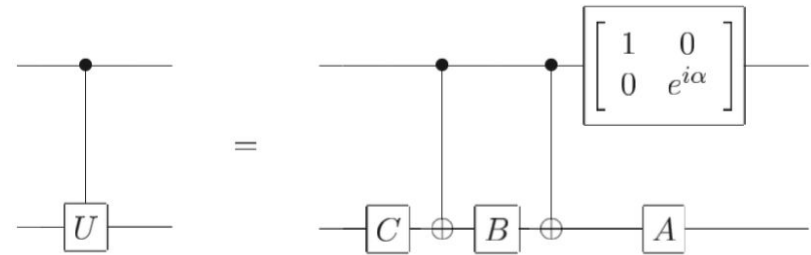
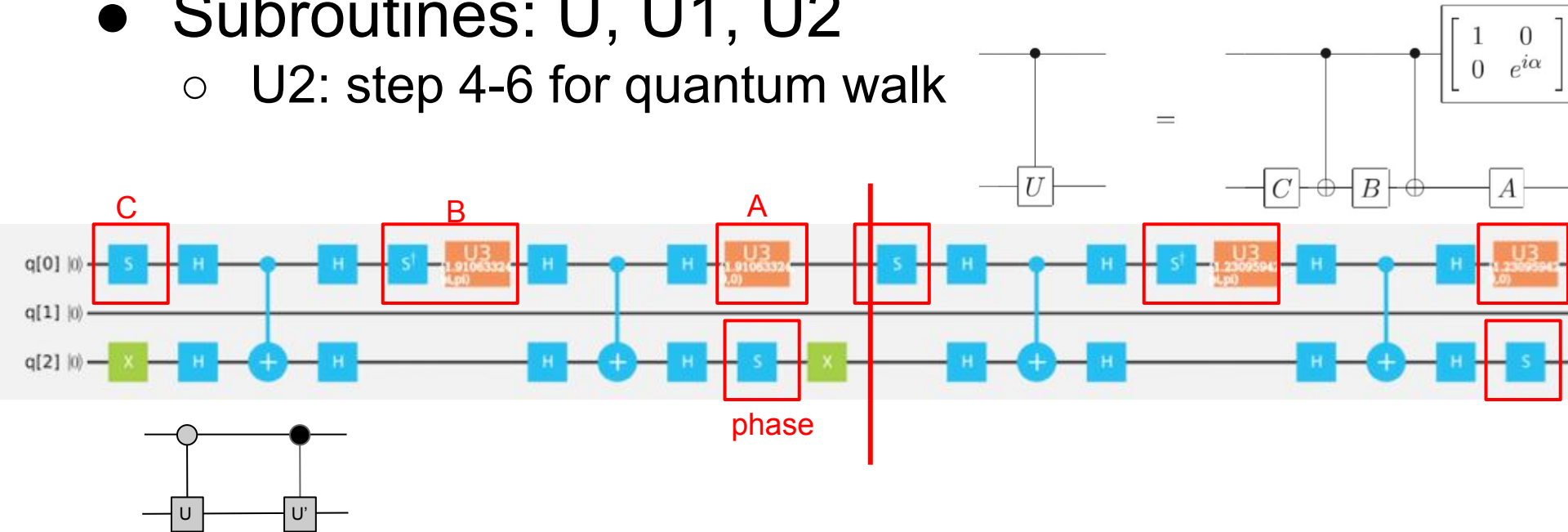


Fig. 4.6 Nielsen & Chuang (2001)

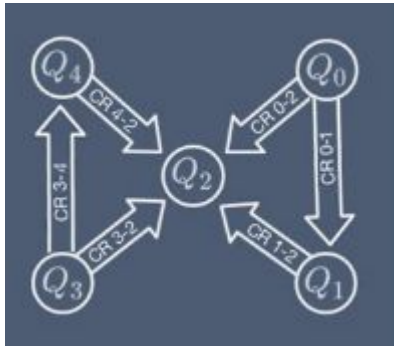
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Circuit Implementation for $N=4$, $k=2$

- Apply $U_2 U_1 U U_2 U_1 U$ on $(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}})$
- Real topology
 - We chose Q_0 and Q_2



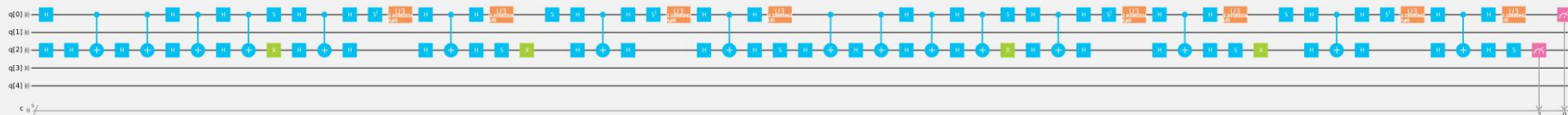
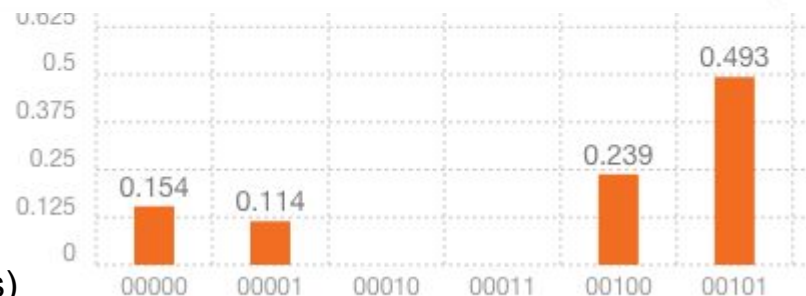
approximated by $\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\}$

Implementation on IBM Q

	$P(\phi_{0,1} \rangle)$	$P(\phi_{1,0} \rangle)$	$P(\phi_{1,1} \rangle)$	$P(\phi_{2,0} \rangle)$
Numerical (Mathematica)	0.100823	0.102881	0.201646	0.59465
IBM Simulator (100 shots)	0.210	0.010	0.220	0.560
IBM Simulator (8192 shots)	0.148	0.031	0.155	0.666
IBM real processor (1024 shots)	0.176	0.093	0.231	0.500
IBM real processor (8192 shots)	0.154	0.114	0.239	0.493

- $P \sim 0.6$

Real machine (8192 shots)



Discussion

- Limited number of gates on the IBM simulator
 - Not accessible for $N > 4$ cases. $t_1 = O((N/r)^{k/2})$
- Generalization to k -distinctness is challenging
 - Translate $2k+1$ by $2k+1$ matrices to quantum circuits

Questions?

Thank you!