

Quantum Fourier Transform

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Quantum Fourier transform

Definition

$$|j\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jk}{N}\right) |k\rangle$$

Example: $N = 2$

We treat only $N = 2^n$

$$\begin{aligned} |j\rangle &\xrightarrow{QFT_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{k=0}^1 \exp(\pi i j k) |k\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{k=0}^1 (-1)^{jk} |k\rangle = H \end{aligned}$$

QFT_2 is Hadamard

$$\exp(\pi i j k) = \begin{cases} 1 & (jk = 0) \\ -1 & (jk = 1) \end{cases}$$

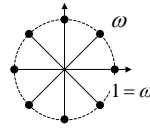
QFT_8

Example: $N = 8$

$$|j\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_8} \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \sum_{k=0}^7 \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jk}{8}\right) |k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \sum_{k=0}^7 \omega^{jk} |k\rangle$$

$$QFT_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^1 & \omega^2 & \omega^3 & \omega^4 & \omega^5 & \omega^6 & \omega^7 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 & 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 \\ 1 & \omega^3 & \omega^6 & \omega^1 & \omega^4 & \omega^7 & \omega^2 & \omega^5 \\ 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 \\ 1 & \omega^5 & \omega^2 & \omega^7 & \omega^4 & \omega^1 & \omega^6 & \omega^3 \\ 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 & 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^7 & \omega^6 & \omega^5 & \omega^4 & \omega^3 & \omega^2 & \omega^1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\omega \equiv \exp(2\pi i / 8) = \sqrt{i}$$



QFT_8

$$\sum_{k=0}^7 \alpha_j |j\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_8} \sum_{k=0}^7 \beta_k |k\rangle$$

r	input string $\{\alpha_j\}$								output string $\{\beta_k\}$								N/r	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	→	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	→	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2
2	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	→	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	→	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8

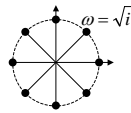
$$\begin{aligned} |0\rangle &\rightarrow |0\rangle + |1\rangle + |2\rangle + |3\rangle + |4\rangle + |5\rangle + |6\rangle + |7\rangle \\ |0\rangle + |4\rangle &\rightarrow |0\rangle + |2\rangle + |4\rangle + |6\rangle \\ |0\rangle + |2\rangle + |4\rangle + |6\rangle &\rightarrow |0\rangle + |4\rangle \\ |0\rangle + |1\rangle + |2\rangle + |3\rangle + |4\rangle + |5\rangle + |6\rangle + |7\rangle &\rightarrow |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

QFT inverts the periodicity

QFT_8

r	input string $\{\alpha_j\}$								output string $\{\beta_k\}$								N/r	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	→	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^1 & \omega^2 & \omega^3 & \omega^4 & \omega^5 & \omega^6 & \omega^7 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 & 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 \\ 1 & \omega^3 & \omega^6 & \omega^1 & \omega^4 & \omega^7 & \omega^2 & \omega^5 \\ 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 \\ 1 & \omega^5 & \omega^2 & \omega^7 & \omega^4 & \omega^1 & \omega^6 & \omega^3 \\ 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 & 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^7 & \omega^6 & \omega^5 & \omega^4 & \omega^3 & \omega^2 & \omega^1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



QFT_8

r	input string $\{\alpha_j\}$								output string $\{\beta_k\}$								N/r	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
2	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	→	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^1 & \omega^2 & \omega^3 & \omega^4 & \omega^5 & \omega^6 & \omega^7 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 & 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 \\ 1 & \omega^3 & \omega^6 & \omega^1 & \omega^4 & \omega^7 & \omega^2 & \omega^5 \\ 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 \\ 1 & \omega^5 & \omega^2 & \omega^7 & \omega^4 & \omega^1 & \omega^6 & \omega^3 \\ 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 & 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^7 & \omega^6 & \omega^5 & \omega^4 & \omega^3 & \omega^2 & \omega^1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \\ 1 \\ 1+\omega^4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1+1+1 \\ 1+\omega^2+\omega^4+\omega^6 \\ 1+\omega^4+1+\omega^5 \\ 1+\omega^6+\omega^4+\omega^2 \\ 1+1+1+1 \\ 1+\omega^2+\omega^4+\omega^6 \\ 1+\omega^4+1+\omega^5 \\ 1+\omega^6+\omega^4+\omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\omega^i + \omega^{i+4} = 0$$

QFT₈

input string {α _j }				output string {β _k }												
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	→	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	→	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	→	1	0	i	0	-1	0	i	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	→	1	0	-1	0	1	0	-1	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	→	1	0	-i	0	-1	0	i	0

Period 4 |0⟩+|4⟩ → |0⟩+|2⟩+|4⟩+|6⟩
 |1⟩+|5⟩ → |0⟩+i|2⟩-|4⟩-i|6⟩
 |2⟩+|6⟩ → |0⟩-|2⟩+|4⟩-|6⟩
 |3⟩+|7⟩ → |0⟩-i|2⟩-|4⟩+i|6⟩

Offsets in the input are converted into phase factors in the output (shift invariance)

QFT₈

input string {α _j }				output string {β _k }												
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	→	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	→	1	0	i	0	-1	0	i	0

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \omega^1 & \omega^2 & \omega^3 & \omega^4 & \omega^5 & \omega^6 & \omega^7 & 1 \\ \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 & 1 & \omega^2 & \omega^4 & \omega^6 & 0 \\ \omega^3 & \omega^6 & \omega^1 & \omega^4 & \omega^7 & \omega^2 & \omega^5 & 0 \\ \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 1 & \omega^4 & 0 \\ \omega^5 & \omega^2 & \omega^7 & \omega^4 & \omega^1 & \omega^6 & \omega^3 & 1 \\ \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 & 1 & \omega^6 & \omega^4 & \omega^2 & 0 \\ \omega^7 & \omega^6 & \omega^5 & \omega^4 & \omega^3 & \omega^2 & \omega^1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^1+\omega^5 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^2+\omega^2 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^3+\omega^7 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^4+\omega^4 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^5+\omega^1 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^6+\omega^6 & & & & & & & \\ \omega^7+\omega^3 & & & & & & & \end{bmatrix} // \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

QFT₈

r	input string {α _j }							N/r	
3	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	2.67
3	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	

If *r* does not divide *N*, the inverse of the period is approximate

Power of QFT

Our observation so far can be summarized as follows

$$\sqrt{\frac{r}{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} |jr+m\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{mk}{r}\right) \left| \frac{N}{r} k \right\rangle$$

↓ Period ↘ Offset ↓ Phase ↓ Inverse of the period

In the next few slides, we simply assume *r* divides *N*

Power of QFT

Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sqrt{\frac{r}{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} |jr+m\rangle \quad |j\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jk}{N}\right) |k\rangle \\
 & \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sqrt{\frac{r}{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{(jr+m)k}{N}\right) |k\rangle \\
 & \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{r}}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{mk}{N}\right) \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jr k}{N}\right) |k\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

2 cases; *k* divides *N/r* or not

Power of QFT

Case 1 $k = \frac{N}{r} k'$ Constructive interference

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jr k}{N}\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \exp(2\pi i j k') = \frac{N}{r} \exp(2\pi i j k') = 1 \\
 & \frac{\sqrt{r}}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{mk}{N}\right) \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jr k}{N}\right) |k\rangle \\
 & = \frac{\sqrt{r}}{N} \sum_{k'=0}^{r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{m N}{N r} k'\right) \times \frac{N}{r} \times \left| \frac{N}{r} k' \right\rangle \quad \begin{matrix} k: 0 \rightarrow N-1 \\ k': 0 \rightarrow r-1 \end{matrix} \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k'=0}^{r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{m k'}{r}\right) \left| \frac{N}{r} k' \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Power of QFT

Case 2 $k \neq \frac{N}{r}k'$

$$\lambda \equiv \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{rk}{N}\right)$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{jr k}{N}\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \lambda^j = 0$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} \lambda^j = \frac{1-\lambda^{N/r}}{1-\lambda} = 0$$

Destructive interference

Combining Case 1 & 2, we obtain

$$\sqrt{\frac{r}{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} |jr+m\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{mk}{r}\right) \left| \frac{N}{r}k \right\rangle$$

Again, quantum interference is the key

Product representation

$$|j_1 j_2 \dots j_n\rangle \rightarrow \frac{|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_n) |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \dots \frac{|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2 \dots j_n) |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Notation

$$j = j_1 j_2 \dots j_n = j_1 2^{n-1} + j_2 2^{n-2} + \dots + j_n 2^0 = \sum_{k=1}^n j_k 2^{n-k}$$

$$0 \cdot j_1 j_2 \dots j_n = j_1 2^{-1} + j_2 2^{-2} + \dots + j_n 2^{-n} = \sum_{k=1}^n j_k 2^{-k}$$

This representation provides a natural way to construct a quantum circuit for QFT, and a proof that QFT is unitary

Product representation

$$|j\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} \exp(2\pi i j k / 2^n) |k\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{k_1=0}^1 \dots \sum_{k_n=0}^1 \exp(2\pi i j \sum_{l=1}^n k_l 2^{-l}) |k_1 \dots k_n\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \sum_{k_1=0}^1 \dots \sum_{k_n=0}^1 \exp(2\pi i j k_1 2^{-1}) |k_1\rangle \otimes \sum_{k_2=0}^1 \exp(2\pi i j k_2 2^{-2}) |k_2\rangle \otimes \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \otimes_{l=1}^n \left[\sum_{k_l=0}^1 \exp(2\pi i j k_l 2^{-l}) |k_l\rangle \right] = \left[\sum_{k_1=0}^1 \exp(\alpha_1) |k_1\rangle \right] \otimes \left[\sum_{k_2=0}^1 \exp(\alpha_2) |k_2\rangle \right] \otimes \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \otimes_{l=1}^n \left[|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i j 2^{-l}) |1\rangle \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{n/2}} \left(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} |1\rangle \right) \left(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2} |1\rangle \right) \dots \left(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_n} |1\rangle \right)$$

Quantum circuit for QFT

$$R_k \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \exp(2\pi i / 2^k) \end{bmatrix}$$

SWAP

Quantum circuit for QFT

$$\exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_a) = \begin{cases} 1 & (j_a = 0) \\ -1 & (j_a = 1) \end{cases}$$

$$\exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot \dots \cdot 0 \cdot j_b) = \begin{cases} 1 & (j_a = 0) \\ \exp(2\pi i / 2^k) & (j_a = 1) \end{cases}$$

Quantum circuit for QFT

$$|j_1 j_2 \dots j_n\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1) |1\rangle \right) |j_2 \dots j_n\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2) |1\rangle \right) |j_3 \dots j_n\rangle$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2 \dots j_n) |1\rangle \right) |j_2 \dots j_n\rangle$$

Quantum circuit for QFT

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2 \dots j_n} |1\rangle)$
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_3 \dots j_n} |1\rangle)$
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 \dots j_n) |1\rangle)$
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 \dots j_n) |1\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2) |1\rangle) |j_3 \dots j_n\rangle$
 $\frac{1}{2}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 \dots j_n) |1\rangle) (|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2 j_3) |1\rangle) |j_3 \dots j_n\rangle$
 \vdots
 $\frac{1}{2}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 \dots j_n) |1\rangle) (|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2 \dots j_n) |1\rangle) |j_3 \dots j_n\rangle$

Quantum circuit for QFT

$\frac{1}{2^{n/2}}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2 \dots j_n) |1\rangle) (|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2 \dots j_n) |1\rangle) \dots (|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_n) |1\rangle)$
SWAP
 $\frac{1}{2^{n/2}}(|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_n) |1\rangle) (|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_{n-1} j_n) |1\rangle) \dots (|0\rangle + \exp(2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2 \dots j_n) |1\rangle)$

Quantum circuit for QFT_8

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}(|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} |1\rangle) (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_2 j_1} |1\rangle) (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2 j_1} |1\rangle)$

$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} = R_2$
 $T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{bmatrix} = R_3$

Order of permutation

y	$\pi(y)$
0	3
1	7
2	5
3	1
4	2
5	4
6	6
7	0

Order of the permutation $\pi(y)$;
the least positive integer r that satisfies

$$\pi^r(y_0) = y_0$$

Generally, r depends on y_0 , and finding r may be hard

Order of permutation

y	$\pi(y)$
0	3
1	7
2	5
3	1
4	2
5	4
6	6
7	0

$r = 4$
 $r = 3$
 $r = 1$

Order finding

Find r quantum mechanically

y	$\pi(y)$
0	3
1	7
2	5
3	1
4	2
5	4
6	6
7	0

$r = 4$

$\pi^0(3) = \pi^4(3) = \pi^8(3) = \pi^{12}(3) = \dots = 3$
 $\pi^1(3) = \pi^5(3) = \pi^9(3) = \pi^{13}(3) = \dots = 1$
 $\pi^2(3) = \pi^6(3) = \pi^{10}(3) = \pi^{14}(3) = \dots = 7$
 $\pi^3(3) = \pi^7(3) = \pi^{11}(3) = \pi^{15}(3) = \dots = 0$

Order finding algorithm

$$\Pi_y |x\rangle |y\rangle = |x\rangle |\pi^x(y)\rangle$$

For now, we accept that Π_y is given as a **black box**, or imagine a situation similar to **Deutsch's problem** (i.e., Alice wants to know the order, and Bob has $\pi(y)$)

Order finding algorithm

$$|0\rangle^{\otimes 4} |3\rangle \xrightarrow{H^{\otimes 4}} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{x=0}^{15} |x\rangle |3\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{\Pi_3} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{x=0}^{15} |x\rangle |\pi^x(3)\rangle$$

$\Pi_3 |x\rangle |3\rangle = |x\rangle |\pi^x(3)\rangle$

Encode information on $\pi^x(3)$ into the work bits

Order finding algorithm

$$\sum_{x=0}^{15} |x\rangle |\pi^x(3)\rangle = ((0)+|4\rangle+|8\rangle+|12\rangle)|3\rangle + ((1)+|5\rangle+|9\rangle+|13\rangle)|1\rangle + ((2)+|6\rangle+|10\rangle+|14\rangle)|7\rangle + ((3)+|7\rangle+|11\rangle+|15\rangle)|0\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{QFT_{16}} \begin{pmatrix} (0)+|4\rangle+|8\rangle+|12\rangle \\ (0)+i|4\rangle-i|8\rangle-i|12\rangle \\ (0)-i|4\rangle+|8\rangle-|12\rangle \\ (0)-i|4\rangle-i|8\rangle+|12\rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |3\rangle \\ |1\rangle \\ |7\rangle \\ |0\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$\pi^0(3) = \pi^4(3) = \pi^8(3) = \pi^{12}(3) = \dots = 3$
 $\pi^1(3) = \pi^5(3) = \pi^9(3) = \pi^{13}(3) = \dots = 1$
 $\pi^2(3) = \pi^6(3) = \pi^{10}(3) = \pi^{14}(3) = \dots = 7$
 $\pi^3(3) = \pi^7(3) = \pi^{11}(3) = \pi^{15}(3) = \dots = 0$

Order finding algorithm

$$((0)+|4\rangle+|8\rangle+|12\rangle)|3\rangle + ((0)+i|4\rangle-i|8\rangle-i|12\rangle)|1\rangle + ((0)-i|4\rangle+|8\rangle-|12\rangle)|7\rangle + ((0)-i|4\rangle-i|8\rangle+|12\rangle)|0\rangle$$

Either 0, 4, 8, 12

$$\sqrt{\frac{r}{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/r-1} |jr+m\rangle \xrightarrow{QFT_N} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \exp\left(2\pi i \frac{mk}{r}\right) \left| \frac{N}{r} k \right\rangle$$

Order finding algorithm

$$\frac{16k}{r} = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ 12 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{k}{r} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{Fail (No info. on } r) \\ 1/4 & \text{Succeed} \\ 1/2 & \text{Fail (Wrong } r) \\ 3/4 & \text{Succeed} \end{cases}$$

The algorithm fails if $k = 0$, or k and r have common divisors (Not so serious)

$$\text{Prob}(\text{gcd}(k/r) = 1) \approx \frac{1}{\log \log r}$$

Remaining issues

- The measurement does not give us r itself, then how to obtain r out of the measurement result?
- What if r does not divide N ?
- How to construct the Π_y gate?
- If it remains a black box, how can the algorithm be useful?

Quiz

Continued fraction expansion

Definition

$$\alpha = a_0 + \frac{1}{a_1 + \frac{1}{\ddots + \frac{1}{a_{m-1} + \frac{1}{a_m}}}}$$

$$\equiv [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m]$$

"Convergent"

$$\frac{p_0}{q_0} = [a_0] = a_0$$

$$\frac{p_1}{q_1} = [a_0, a_1] = a_0 + \frac{1}{a_1}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\frac{p_{m-1}}{q_{m-1}} = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{m-1}]$$

$$\frac{p_m}{q_m} = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{m-1}, a_m]$$

Quiz

Check that the continued fraction expansion for $31/13$ and its convergents are given as follows

$$\frac{31}{13} = [2, 2, 1, 1, 2] = 2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}}}}$$

$$\frac{p_0}{q_0} = [2] = 2$$

$$\frac{p_1}{q_1} = [2, 2] = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\frac{p_2}{q_2} = [2, 2, 1] = \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\frac{p_3}{q_3} = [2, 2, 1, 1] = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$\frac{p_4}{q_4} = [2, 2, 1, 1, 2] = \frac{31}{13}$$

Also check the following

$$\frac{3413}{8192} = [0, 2, 2, 2, 170, 4]$$