

# Introduction to Quantum Programming and Semantics

## Lecture 16: Oracles

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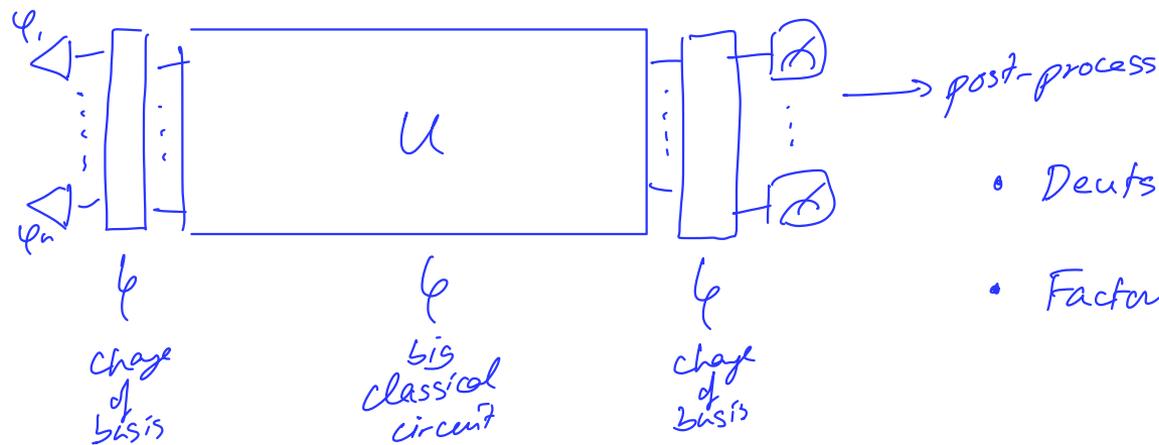
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# Overview

- Quipper
- Oracles

# Types of quantum algorithms

## ① "oracle" quantum algorithms



main trick: change of basis

—  $H$  — or more generally  
quantum Fourier transform

- Deutsch-Jozsa, Simon's

- Factoring (Shor): reduce factoring to period-finding

$$U(a) = a \bmod n + q$$

find  $n$

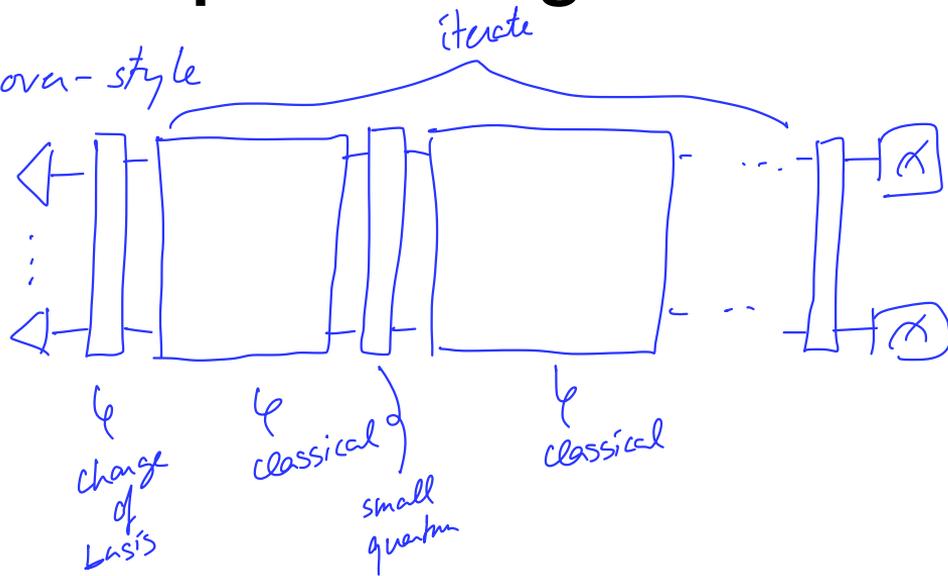
- Hidden subgroup

$$i: G \rightarrow H \text{ injection of abelian groups}$$

find  $G$

# Types of quantum algorithms

## ② Grover-style



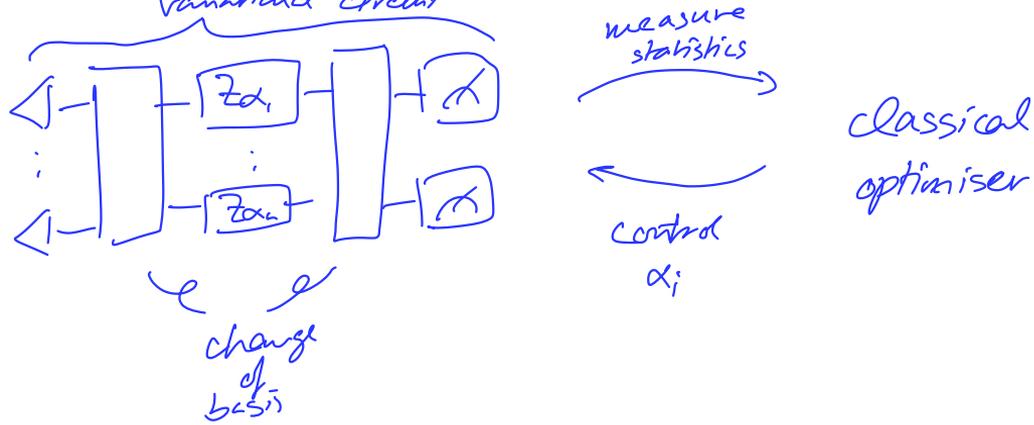
## ③ Hamiltonian simulation

- Grover search
- amplitude amplification
- quantum walks

- Trotterisation
- linear combination of unitaries
- QSP: quantum signal processing
- QSVT: quantum singular value transform

# Types of quantum algorithms

④ Hybrid quantum-classical algorithms / quantum machine learning



Quipper

# Quipper

- Open source
- Functional (with side effects)
- Domain-specific language in Haskell
- Aim: resource estimation
- Lazy
- Library including 7 nontrivial reference quantum algorithms

# Quipper model

Execution phases:

- Compile time
- Circuit generation time  
Inputs whose values are already known now are called *parameters*  
e.g. Deutsch-Jozsa is really a family of circuits, one for each  $n$
- Circuit execution time  
Inputs whose values are only known now are called *inputs*  
e.g. the  $n$  input qubits to Deutsch-Jozsa

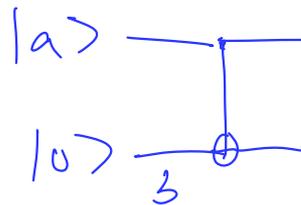
# Quipper model

Types:

- Bits
  - have type Bool at circuit generation time
  - have type Bit as classical Boolean input to a circuit
- Qubits
  - Have type Qubit, only available as inputs at circuit execution time
- Booleans can be converted into Bit, but not the other way around
- Measurements only at circuit execution time, so outcome is Bit, not Bool

# Control

```
share :: Qubit -> Circ (Qubit, Qubit)
share a = do
  b <- qinit False
  b <- qnot b 'controlled' a
  return (a,b)
```

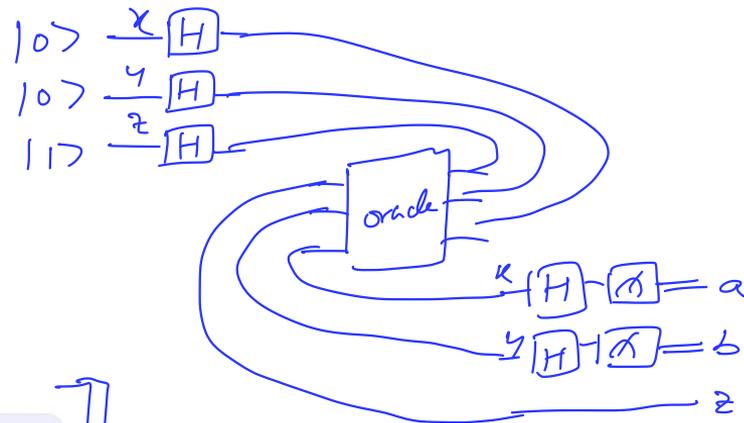


$|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |00\rangle$   
 $|1\rangle \leftrightarrow |11\rangle$

# Measurement

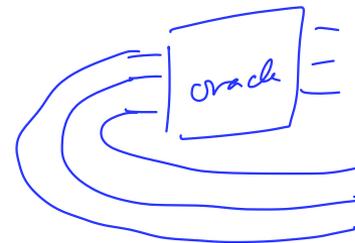
```
measurement :: Qubit -> Circ Bit
measurement q = do
  x <- measure q
  return x
```

# Quipper semantics



```
deutschjozsa :: (Qubit -> Qubit -> Qubit -> Circ (Qubit, Qubit, Qubit))
              -> Circ (Bit, Bit)

deutschjozsa (oracle) = do
  x <- qinit False
  y <- qinit False
  z <- qinit True
  hadamard x
  hadamard y
  hadamard z
  (x,y,z) <- oracle x y z
  hadamard x
  hadamard y
  (a,b) <- measure (x,y)
  return (a,b)
```



# Advanced Quipper

- Quantum data types:
  - E.g. (Qubit,[Qubit]), (Bit,[Bit]), (Bool,[Bool])
- Generic functions:
  - Following does not just apply to Bool, but also e.g. (Bool,[Bool])

```
plus_minus_generic a = do
  qs <- qinit a
  qs <- mapUnitary hadamard qs
  return qs
```

- Recursion:
  - Circuit-producing functions can be recursive over any parameters known at circuit generation time.
  - Can e.g. recurse over list of qubits to write QFT

# Advanced Quipper

- Circuit operations:
  - Functions that take a circuit and make new circuits based on it
  - E.g. repeat circuit number of times, reverse circuit, use as subcircuit
  - Any classical reversible function can turn into a circuit automatically:

```
build_circuit
reversiblefunction :: (Bool, Bool, Bool) -> (Bool, Bool, Bool)
reversiblefunction x y z = y z x
```

- Semantics: well-founded semantics, but not yet
  - Dependent types: recognise that Bits are only used at circuit execution
  - Linear types: prevent terms involving Qubits from being copied

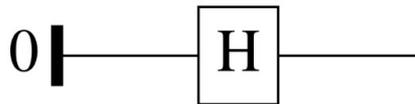
Proto-Quipper

# Toy example

```
import Quipper

plus_minus :: Bool -> Circ Qubit
plus_minus b = do
  q <- qinit b
  r <- hadamard q
  return r

main = print_simple PDF (plus_minus False)
```



# Deutsch-Jozsa

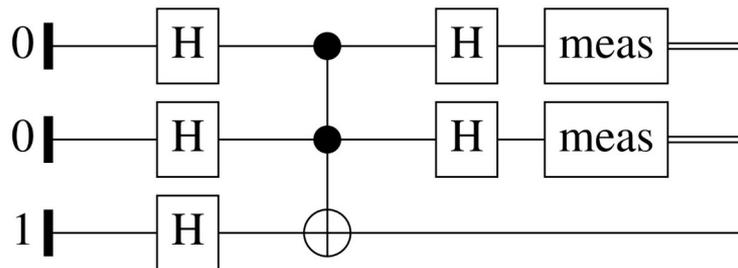
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  (x,y,z) <- oracle x y z
  hadamard x
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  (a,b) <- measure (x,y)
  return (a,b)

oracle x y z = do
  qnot_at z `controlled` [x, y]
  return (x,y,z)

main = print_simple PDF (deutschjozsa oracle)
```



# Summary:

- Quipper is functional, lazy, embedded
- Three phases of execution
- Higher-order so works particularly well with oracles