

§7.1 Search for a single file

Let  $f : S_n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = z, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \neq z. \end{cases}$$

Step 1 Define the reflection  $R_f$  such that  $R_f = I - 2|z\rangle\langle z|$ . We have

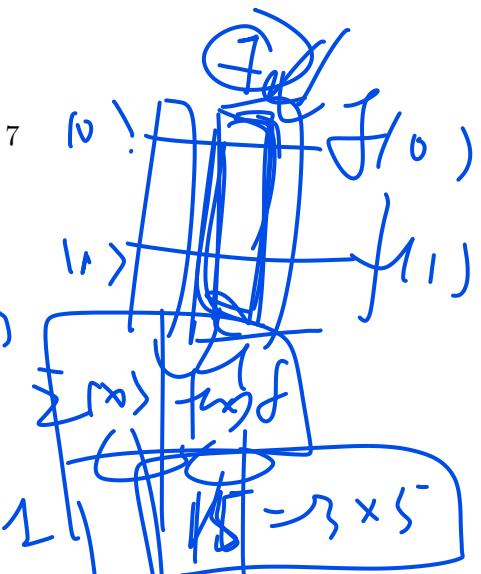
$$R_f f = \sum_x f(x) R_f |x\rangle = \sum_x (-1)^{f(x)} |x\rangle.$$

Here, we simply have  $(I - 2|z\rangle\langle z|)(\sum_{j=1}^N f(x)|x\rangle) = \dots$ .

$U_f$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\quad \quad \quad} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \\ & I - 2 \left[ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\quad \quad \quad} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \\ & = \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\quad \quad \quad} z \end{aligned}$$

$O(N)$        $O(\sqrt{N})$



$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Step 2 Construct } D = 2|\varphi_0\rangle\langle\varphi_0| - I_N = W_n(2|0\rangle\langle 0| - I_N)W_n = 2J_N/N - I_N, \\ \frac{[ \quad ] [ \quad \cdots \quad ]}{2 - 2} \end{array}$$

where  $J_N$  is the matrix with all entries equal to 1.

If  $|w\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ \vdots \\ w_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$ , then

$$N = 2^n$$

$$D|w\rangle = (2J_N(N-I)|w\rangle = 2\hat{v} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ \vdots \\ w_{N-1} \end{pmatrix} =$$

with  $\hat{w} = (\sum_j w_j)/N$ .

**Step 3** Construct  $U_f = DR_f$  its action on  $|\varphi_0\rangle = \sum_x |x\rangle$ . Then

$$|\varphi_k\rangle = U_f^k |\varphi_0\rangle = a_k |z\rangle + b_k \sum_{x \neq z} |x\rangle$$

such that  $a_0 = b_0 = 1/\sqrt{N}$ . For  $k \geq 1$  we have

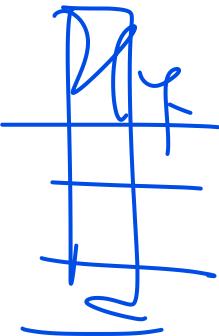
$$\begin{pmatrix} a_k \\ b_k \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{N} \begin{pmatrix} N-2 & 2(N-1) \\ -2 & N-2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{k-1} \\ b_{k-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Remark** Note that

$$\begin{aligned} U_f |\varphi_{k-1}\rangle &= (2J_N/N - I)(I - 2|z\rangle\langle z|)|\varphi_{k-1}\rangle \\ &= (2J_N/N - I)(b_{k-1}, \dots, b_{k-1}, -a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, \dots, b_{k-1})^t \\ &= (b_k, \dots, b_k, a_k, b_k, \dots, b_k)^t. \end{aligned}$$

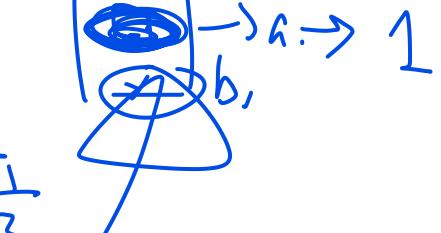
Let  $c_k = \sqrt{N-1}b_k$ . If  $(a_0, c_0) = (1, \sqrt{N-1})/\sqrt{N} = (\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$ , then

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_k \\ c_k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\theta & \sin 2\theta \\ -\sin 2\theta & \cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{k-1} \\ c_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin[(2k+1)\theta] \\ \cos[(2k+1)\theta] \end{pmatrix}.$$

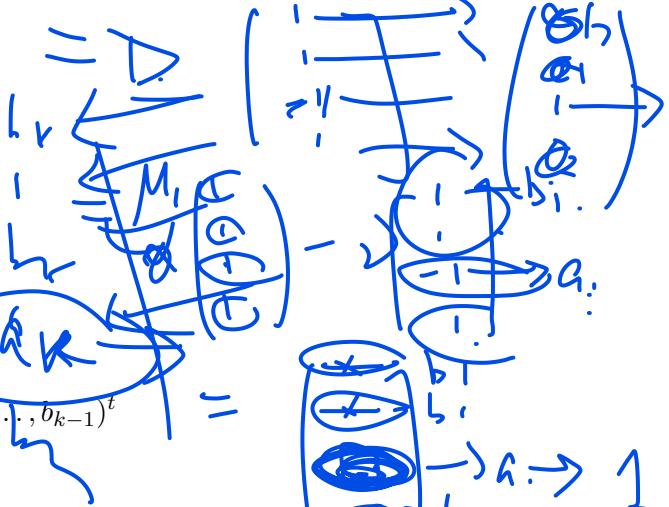
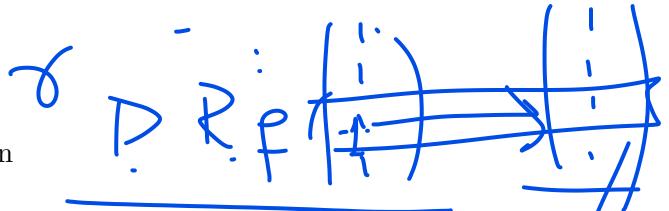


$$k \approx O(\sqrt{N})$$

$O(N)$



$\frac{\pi}{2}$



**Step 4** Maximize  $P_{z,k}^2 = a_k^2$  by putting  $(2k+1)\theta \approx \pi/2$ . For large  $N$  we have  $m = \lfloor \pi/4\theta \rfloor$  so that  $m = O(\sqrt{N})$ .



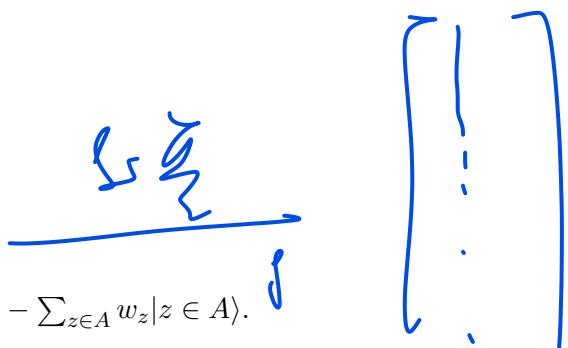
## §7.2 Search for $d$ files

Let  $A \subseteq S_n$  have  $d$  elements, and  $f : S_n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

**Step 1** Define the reflection  $R_f$  such that

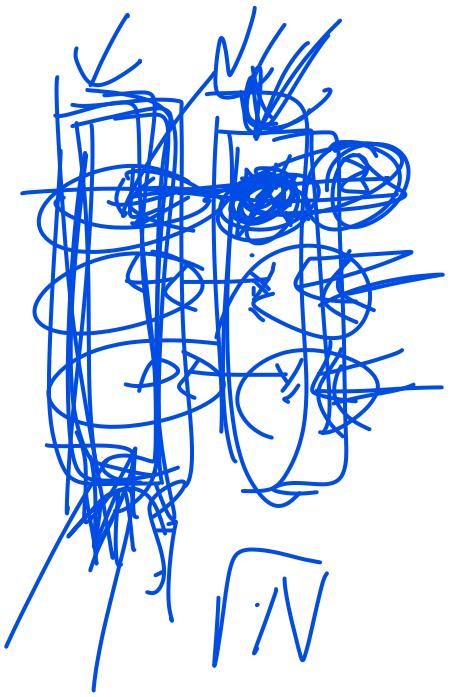
$$R_f = I - 2 \sum_{z \in A} |z\rangle\langle z|.$$



Then for  $|\varphi\rangle = \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} w_x |x\rangle$ ,  $R_f(\varphi) = \sum_{x \notin A} w_x |x\rangle - \sum_{z \in A} w_z |z \in A\rangle$ .

**Step 2** Construct  $D = -I + 2|\varphi_0\rangle\langle|\varphi_0|$  with  $|\varphi_0\rangle = \sum_{x=0}^N |x\rangle/\sqrt{N}$ .

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**Step 3** Construct  $U_f = DR_f$  and its action on

$$|\varphi\rangle = \sum_x w_x |x\rangle \text{ with } \sum_x |w_x|^2 = 1.$$

Then  $U_f^k |\varphi_0\rangle = a_k \sum_{z \in A} |z\rangle + b_k \sum_{x \notin A} |x\rangle$  such that  $a_0 = b_0 = 1/\sqrt{N}$  and for  $k \geq 1$  we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_k \\ b_k \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{N} \begin{pmatrix} N-2d & 2(N-d) \\ -2d & N-2d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{k-1} \\ b_{k-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

so that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_k \\ b_k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (\sin[(2k+1)\theta])/\sqrt{d} \\ (\cos[(2k+1)\theta])/\sqrt{N-d} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{d/N} \\ \sqrt{1-d/N} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Grover's Search Algorithm

