

Lecture 22

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The set S (# of elements is $|S|$) is ordered and its elements s_j are labeled by j ($s_j \equiv j$). The corresponding vectors in the Hilbert space are $|j\rangle \in H^B$.

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$$|\Psi_0\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\mathcal{G}|}} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} |g\rangle^A \otimes |0\rangle^B \in \mathbb{H}^A \otimes \mathbb{H}^B.$$

STEP 2

AHSP Assumption 2 For $f : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow S$ there exists an implementation of a unitary U_f defined by its action on the ONB

$$\{|g\rangle \otimes |y\rangle \mid g \in \mathcal{G}, 0 \leq y < 2^m\} \subset \mathbb{H}^A \otimes \mathbb{H}^B \quad (6.92)$$

as

$$U_f : \mathbb{H}^A \otimes \mathbb{H}^B \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}^A \otimes \mathbb{H}^B$$

$$|g\rangle \otimes |y\rangle \longmapsto |g\rangle \otimes |y \boxplus \widetilde{f(g)}\rangle, \quad (6.93)$$

and the number of computational steps S_2 for the application of U_f satisfies

$$S_2(|\mathcal{G}|) \in \text{poly}(\log_2(|\mathcal{G}|)) \quad \text{for } |\mathcal{G}| \rightarrow \infty.$$

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When observing the sub-system H^A after the Fourier transform we will always find a state $|\zeta\rangle$ that corresponds to a character $\zeta \in H_\perp$.

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