

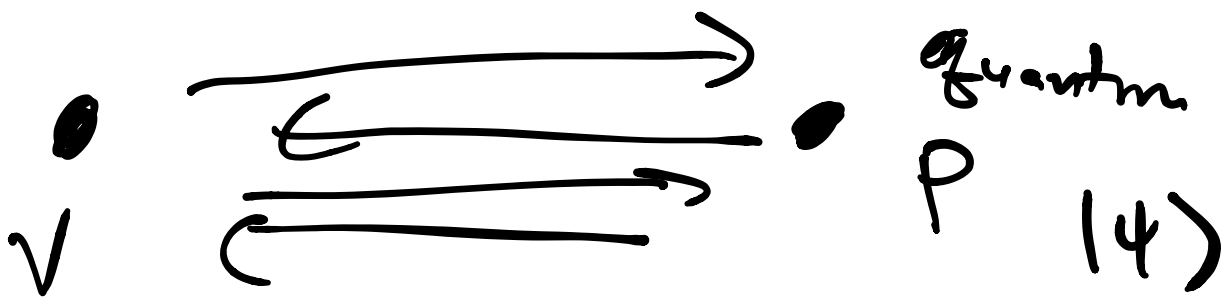
# 6.S979 Lecture 24

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- Project due soon

- Volunteer to speak on Wednesday

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Today: How do you verify that  
I computationally bounded  
prover is quantum?



Obs:  $P$  is indistinguishable  
from  $P'$  that classically simulates  
 $P$  (by brute force)

So computational assumption necessary

Q: What does it mean for  $P$  to be "quantum"?

A: Recall in CHSH / Magic square self-testing proofs, the key step was to show that provers have 2 incompatible measurements

$A_0 A_1, X-A_1, A_0$

Say that  $P$  is "quantum" if it makes incompatible measurements

Technique due to Mahadev '18  
(delegation of BQP)  
Brakerski et al. '18

We'll start w/ baby protocol  
from Thomas Vidick

Recall Simon's problem

$$f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$$

2-to-1 function

$$f(x_0) = f(x_1) \text{ iff } x_0 = x_1 + s \pmod{2}$$

Q. alg. to find  $s$ :

$$\sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle |0^n\rangle$$

query  $f$

$$\mapsto \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$$

measure  
2<sup>nd</sup> reg.

$$\mapsto \sum_{x: f(x)=y} |x\rangle |y\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|x_0\rangle + |x_1\rangle) |y\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|x_0\rangle + |x_0+s\rangle) |y\rangle$$

measure in  $X$  basis

to get outcome

$$d \in \{0, 1\}^n$$

Claim:  $d \cdot s = 0 \pmod 2$

Ex:  $x_0 = 00$   
 $s = 10$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |10\rangle) |y\rangle$$

$|+\rangle |0\rangle$

$$|y\rangle = \frac{|+\rangle + |-\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} |++\rangle & |+-\rangle \\ 00 & 01 \end{pmatrix} |y\rangle$$

$$d \in \{00, 01\}$$

Repeat for  $d_1, \dots, d_k$

$$d_1 \cdot s = 0$$

$$d_2 \cdot s = 0$$

$\vdots$

$$d_k \cdot s = 0$$

$$s \in \{0, 1, 3^n\}$$

With  $n-1$  linearly independent  $d$ 's, can solve for  $s$ .

Classically: You need a lot of queries to distinguish 2-to-1 and 1-to-1  $f$ .  
(basically query till you find  $x_0, x_1 \mapsto y$ )

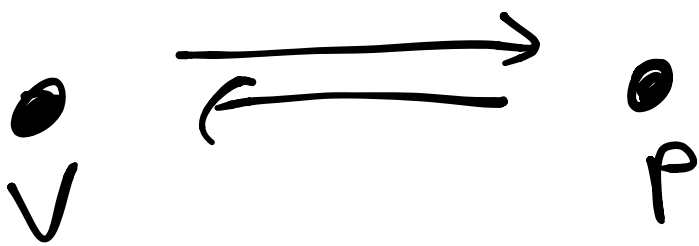
However: This holds for black box  $f$ . What about a concrete  $f$ ?

Obs: If  $f(x) = Ax$

$$\ker(A) = \text{span}(s)$$

But if I open the black box,  
a classical alg. can find  $s$  by  
Gaussian elimination

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Turning Simon's prob. into a protocol:



1. V picks an  $f$  and sends  $pk$  it to P  
( $pk, td$ )

2. P prepares  $\sum_x |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$

If P knows class  
return  $y$

$$(|x_0\rangle + |x_1\rangle) |y\rangle$$

returns an image  $y$  of  $f$ .

3. With prob  $\frac{1}{2}$   $V$  either

— Asks  $P$  for a preimage

$P$  returns  $x$

$V$  checks that  $f(x) \stackrel{?}{=} y$

— Asks  $P$  for an "equation"

$P$  measures in the  $X$  basis  
to get  $d$ , returns

$V$  checks that  $d \cdot (x_0 + x_1) = 0$

## Properties of family $\mathcal{F}$

1) "Adaptive hard-core bit"

Hard to find an  $x_0$  and

a  $d \neq 0^n$  s.t.

$$d \cdot (x_0 + x_1) = 0$$

(note  $s_{x_0}$  is not a fixed shift)

( $\Rightarrow$  claw-free)

2) "Trapdoor"

Given  $f$  td, and  $y$

Can compute  $x_0, x_1$  s.t.  $f(x_0)$   
 $= f(x_1)$   
 $= y$

o) Can generate  $pk, td$   
public key

s.t.  $f_{pk}$  can be efficiently  
computed

2-to-1

"claw free"

Given  $pk$ , it is hard to  
find  $x_0, x_1, y$  s.t.  $f_{pk}(x_0)$   
 $= f_{pk}(x_1)$   
 $= y$

3)

$b: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

$y \leftarrow x_0$

$\leftarrow x_1$

$b(x_0) = 0$

$b(x_1) = 1$

Computable  
depends  
on  
 $pk$ .



Claim: . Suppose  $P$  succeeds in the protocol w/  $p = I$

- Prover's state at the end of step 2 is  $|\psi\rangle$

- A: outcome  $(-1)^{b(x)}$

$x$  is output of prover in step 3a.

- B: outcome  $(-1)^{d \cdot (x_0 + x_1)}$

$d$  is output of prover in step 3b

Then  $A, B$  anticommute on  $|\psi\rangle$

Specifically:  $|\langle \psi | A_{+1} B A_{+1} \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | A_{-1} B A_{-1} \psi \rangle| \leq \text{negligible}$

$$A = \frac{I \pm A}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Pf idea: Suppose  $A, B$  are for  
from anticommuting. Then measure

$A$  then  $B$   
 $\downarrow$  gives you  $\downarrow$  gives you a  $d$   
 preimage

$x_0, d$  st.  $d(x_0 + x_1) = 0$   
 violates hardcore bit assumption

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 This shows that  $P$  is "quantum"  
 "encoded"  $|+\rangle$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|x_0\rangle + |x_1\rangle) |y\rangle$$

What about "encoded"

$$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

$$(\alpha|0\rangle|x_0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle|x_1\rangle)|y\rangle$$

- Suppose that  $\forall y$

$$x_0 = (0, x'_0)$$

$$x_1 = (1, x'_1)$$

$b(x)$  = first bit of  $x$

$$\alpha|0\rangle \sum_{x'} |x\rangle |0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \sum_{x'} |x'\rangle |1\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{f} \sum_{x'} (\alpha|0x\rangle |f(0x)\rangle + \beta|1x\rangle |f(1x)\rangle)$$

measure image  $\rightarrow$   $(\alpha|0x'_0\rangle + \beta|1x'_1\rangle)|y\rangle$

Now the equation test doesn't quite make sense.

## Mahadev protocol:

An extra ingredient

"extended claw-free function":

In addition to  $F$  of 2-to-1 function  
also have  $G$  of injective function

- Given  $pk$ , can't tell whether  
it came from  $G$  or  $F$

## Measurement protocol:

1)  $V$  generates  $pk, td$

either from  $F$  ( $h=1$ )

or from  $G$  ( $h=0$ )

$v/pub.$   $1/2$  each

Send  $pk$  to  $P$

$$2) P \sum_x (\alpha |0_x\rangle |f_{pk}(0_x)\rangle + \beta |1_x\rangle |f_{pk}(1_x)\rangle)$$

↓ measures image

$h=0$   
(injective)

$h=1$   
(2-to-1 function)

$$|bx\rangle |y\rangle$$

$$(\alpha |0_{x_0}\rangle + \beta |1_{x_0}\rangle) |y\rangle$$

$$f_{pk}(bx) = y$$

P returns  $y$

doesn't know which case it is in.