

## Quantum Algorithm for Minimum Sum of Squares Problem by Numbering Method

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### Abstract

A quantum algorithm for the minimum sum of squares problem by a numbering method and its example are reported. When  $n$  numbers are parted by  $k$  groups, and a sum of numbers in the  $i$ -th group [ $0 \leq i \leq k - 1$ .  $i$  is an integer.] is  $s_i$ , it is decided whether  $\sum_{i=0 \rightarrow k-1} s_i^2$  is a natural number  $M$  or less or not. A computational complexity of a classical computation is  $k^n$ . The computational complexity becomes about  $3(\log_2 k)n$  by the quantum algorithm that uses quantum phase inversion gates, quantum inversion about mean gates and the numbering method. Therefore, a polynomial time process becomes possible.

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### 1. Introduction

Haroche and Wineland [1] made the very first steps towards building a quantum computer. On the other hand, Deutsch and Jozsa [2-4] discovered the quantum algorithm of a high-speed process by a parallel computation that uses quantum entangled states. After that, Shor [3-5] found the method of solving the factoring in a polynomial time, and Grover [3, 6, 7] showed the algorithm for the database search in a square root time. A quantum algorithm for the traveling salesman problem by a numbering method has recently been reported by Fujimura [8]. Its computational complexity becomes a polynomial time. The minimum sum of squares problem [9, 10] is examined by the numbering method this time. Therefore, its result is reported.

### 2. Minimum Sum of Squares Problem

When  $n$  numbers are parted by  $k$  groups, and a sum of numbers in the  $i$ -th group [ $0 \leq i$

$\leq k - 1$ .  $i$  is an integer.] is  $s_i$ , it is decided whether  $\sum_{i=0 \rightarrow k-1} s_i^2$  is a natural number  $M$  or less or not.

### 3. Quantum Algorithm

It is assumed that  $n$  numbers are  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}$  that are natural numbers, and when they are parted by  $k$  groups, and a sum of numbers in the  $i$ -th group [ $0 \leq i \leq k - 1$ .  $i$  is the integer.] is  $s_i$ , it is decided whether  $\sum_{i=0 \rightarrow k-1} s_i^2$  is the natural number  $M$  or less or not. Therefore, it is assumed that  $T$  is the minimum integer that follows  $(1/k) \sum_{j=0 \rightarrow n-1} x_j \leq (M/k)^{1/2} \leq T$ . When the number of the  $n$  times repeated permutation of  $0, 1, \dots, k - 2$  and  $k - 1$  is  $k^n$ ,  $a_0 k^{n-1} + a_1 k^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} k^0 = \sum_{j=0 \rightarrow n-1} a_j k^{n-1-j} = U$  is the numbering datum from  $0$  to  $k^n - 1$  [The  $0$ -th datum is  $0, 0, \dots, 0$  and  $0$ . The  $(k^n - 1)$ -th datum is  $(k - 1), (k - 1), \dots, (k - 1)$  and  $(k - 1)$ ]. This method is named the numbering method for this problem.  $g$  is the minimum integer that follows  $k^n/k! \leq 4^g = 2^{2g}$ , because a number of combinations of an answer is at least  $k!$ .

First of all, quantum registers  $|a_0\rangle, |a_1\rangle, \dots, |a_{n-1}\rangle, |b_1\rangle, |b_2\rangle, |c_0\rangle, |c_1\rangle, \dots, |c_{k-1}\rangle, |d\rangle, |e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$  are prepared. When  $\square$  is the minimum integer that is  $\log_2 k$  or more, each of  $|a_j\rangle$  that  $j$  is an integer from  $0$  to  $n-1$  is consisted of  $\square$  quantum bits [= qubits]. States of  $|a_j\rangle, |b_1\rangle, |b_2\rangle, |c_i\rangle, |d\rangle, |e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$  are  $a_j, b_1, b_2, c_i, d, e_1$  and  $e_2$ , respectively.

**Step 1:** Each qubit of  $|a_j\rangle, |b_1\rangle, |b_2\rangle, |c_i\rangle, |d\rangle, |e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$  is set  $|0\rangle$ .

**Step 2:** The Hadamard gate  $\square$  [3, 4] acts on each qubit of  $|a_j\rangle$ . It changes them for entangled states. The total states are  $(2^\square)^n$ .

**Step 3:** It is assumed that a quantum gate ( $A$ ) changes  $|b_1\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  in  $a_j < k$ , or it changes  $|b_1\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $a_j$ , it changes  $|b_2\rangle$  for  $|b_2 + a_j k^{n-1-j}\rangle$  at  $|a_j\rangle$ , and it changes  $|c_i\rangle$  for  $|c_i + x_j\rangle$  at  $a_j = i$ . As a target state for  $|b_1\rangle$  is  $1$ , quantum phase inversion gates ( $PI$ ) and quantum inversion about mean gates ( $IM$ ) [3, 6, 7] act on  $|b_1\rangle$ . When  $\beta$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(2^\square/k)^{1/2}$  or more, the total number that ( $PI$ ) and ( $IM$ ) act on  $|b_1\rangle$  is  $\beta$  because they are a couple. Next, an observation gate ( $OB$ ) observes  $|b_1\rangle$ . These actions are repeated sequentially from  $|a_0\rangle$  to  $|a_{n-1}\rangle$ . Therefore, each state of  $|a_j\rangle$  is  $0, 1, \dots, k - 2$  and  $k - 1$ , and the total states become  $k^n$  [=  $W_0$ ].

**Step 4:** It is assumed that a quantum gate ( $B$ ) changes  $|d\rangle$  for  $|d + 1\rangle$  in  $c_i \leq T$ , or it doesn't change  $|d\rangle$  in the others of  $c_i$ . These actions are repeated sequentially from  $|c_0\rangle$  to  $|c_{k-1}\rangle$ .

**Step 5:** It is assumed that a quantum gate ( $C$ ) changes  $|e_1\rangle$  for  $|e_1 + 0\rangle$  at  $d = k$ , or it changes  $|e_1\rangle$  for  $|e_1 + 1 + b_2\rangle$  in the others of  $d$ .

**Step 6:** It is assumed that a quantum gate ( $D_1$ ) changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (k^n/4) - k!$ , or it changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $e_1$ . As the target state for  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $1$ , ( $PI$ ) and ( $IM$ ) act on  $|e_2\rangle$ . The number of the data that is included in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (k^n/4) - k!$  is  $W_1 \approx k^n/4$ . When  $\gamma_1$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(W_0/W_1)^{1/2} \approx (k^n/(k^n/4))^{1/2}$  or more, the total number that ( $PI$ ) and ( $IM$ ) act on  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $\gamma_1 \approx 2$ . Next, ( $OB$ ) observes  $|e_2\rangle$ , and the data of  $W_1$  remain. Similarly, ( $D_f$ ) [ $2 \leq f \leq g - 1$ .  $f$  is an integer.] changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (k^n/4^f) - k!$ , or it changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $e_1$ . As the target state for  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $1$ , ( $PI$ ) and ( $IM$ ) act on  $|e_2\rangle$ . The number of the data that is included in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (k^n/4^f) - k!$  is  $W_f \approx k^n/4^f$ . When  $\gamma_f$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(W_{f-1}/W_f)^{1/2} \approx ((k^n/4^{f-1})/(k^n/4^f))^{1/2}$  or more, the total number that ( $PI$ ) and ( $IM$ ) act on

$|e_2\rangle$  is  $\gamma_f \approx 2$ . Next,  $(OB)$  observes  $|e_2\rangle$ , and the data of  $W_f$  remain. These actions are repeated sequentially from 2 to  $g - 1$  at  $f$ .  $(D_g)$  changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  at  $e_1 = 0$ , or it changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $e_1$ . As the target state for  $|e_2\rangle$  is 1,  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$ . The number of the data that is included at  $e_1 = 0$  is  $W_g \approx k! \approx k^n/4^g$ . When  $\gamma_g$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(W_{g-1}/W_g)^{1/2} \approx ((k^n/4^{g-1})/(k^n/4^g))^{1/2}$  or more, the total number that  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $\gamma_g \approx 2$ . Next,  $(OB)$  observes  $|a_j\rangle$ ,  $|b_1\rangle$ ,  $|b_2\rangle$ ,  $|c_i\rangle$ ,  $|d\rangle$ ,  $|e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$ , and one of the data of  $W_g$  remains. Therefore, one example of combinations that are  $c_i \leq T$  is obtained.

#### 4. Numerical Computation

It is assumed that there are  $n = 11$ ,  $x_0 = 4$ ,  $x_1 = 8$ ,  $x_2 = 10$ ,  $x_3 = 2$ ,  $x_4 = 6$ ,  $x_5 = 12$ ,  $x_6 = 7$ ,  $x_7 = 11$ ,  $x_8 = 5$ ,  $x_9 = 3$ ,  $x_{10} = 9$ ,  $k = 5$ ,  $M = 1190$ ,  $T = 16$ ,  $g = 10$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq 4$  [ $i$  is the integer.] and  $0 \leq j \leq 10$  [ $j$  is the integer.].

First of all,  $|a_j\rangle$ ,  $|b_1\rangle$ ,  $|b_2\rangle$ ,  $|c_i\rangle$ ,  $|d\rangle$ ,  $|e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$  are prepared. When  $\square$  is the minimum integer that is  $\log_2 5 \approx 2.3 \leq 3 = \square$ , each of  $|a_j\rangle$  that  $j$  is the integer from 0 to 10 is consisted of 3 qubits. States of  $|a_j\rangle$ ,  $|b_1\rangle$ ,  $|b_2\rangle$ ,  $|c_i\rangle$ ,  $|d\rangle$ ,  $|e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$  are  $a_j$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $c_i$ ,  $d$ ,  $e_1$ , and  $e_2$ , respectively.

**Step 1:** Each qubit of  $|a_j\rangle$ ,  $|b_1\rangle$ ,  $|b_2\rangle$ ,  $|c_i\rangle$ ,  $|d\rangle$ ,  $|e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$  is set  $|0\rangle$ .

**Step 2:**  $\square$  acts on each qubit of  $|a_j\rangle$ . It changes them for entangled states. The total states are  $(2^3)^{11}$ .

**Step 3:**  $(A)$  changes  $|b_1\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  in  $a_j < 5$ , or it changes  $|b_1\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $a_j$ , it changes  $|b_2\rangle$  for  $|b_2 + a_j 5^{10-j}\rangle$  at  $|a_j\rangle$ , and it changes  $|c_i\rangle$  for  $|c_i + x_j\rangle$  at  $a_j = i$ . As the target state for  $|b_1\rangle$  is 1,  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|b_1\rangle$ . When  $\beta$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(2^3/5)^{1/2} \approx 1.265 \leq 2 = \beta$ , the total number that  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|b_1\rangle$  is  $\beta \approx 2$ . Next,  $(OB)$  observes  $|b_1\rangle$ . These actions are repeated sequentially from  $|a_0\rangle$  to  $|a_{10}\rangle$ . Therefore, each state of  $|a_j\rangle$  is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, and the total states become  $5^{11}$  [=  $W_0$ ].

**Step 4:**  $(B)$  changes  $|d\rangle$  for  $|d + 1\rangle$  in  $c_i \leq 16$ , or it doesn't change  $|d\rangle$  in the others of  $c_i$ . These actions are repeated sequentially from  $|c_0\rangle$  to  $|c_4\rangle$ .

**Step 5:**  $(C)$  changes  $|e_1\rangle$  for  $|e_1 + 0\rangle$  at  $d = 5$ , or it changes  $|e_1\rangle$  for  $|e_1 + 1 + b_2\rangle$  in the others of  $d$ .

**Step 6:**  $(D_1)$  changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (5^{11}/4) - 5!$ , or it changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $e_1$ . As the target state for  $|e_2\rangle$  is 1,  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$ . The number of the data that is included in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (5^{11}/4) - 5!$  is  $W_1 \approx 5^{11}/4$ . When  $\gamma_1$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(W_0/W_1)^{1/2} \approx (5^{11}/(5^{11}/4))^{1/2} \approx 2 \leq 2 = \gamma_1$ , the total number that  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $\gamma_1 \approx 2$ . Next,  $(OB)$  observes  $|e_2\rangle$ , and the data of  $W_1$  remain. Similarly,  $(D_f)$  [ $2 \leq f \leq 9$ .  $f$  is the integer.] changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (5^{11}/4^f) - 5!$ , or it changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $e_1$ . As the target state for  $|e_2\rangle$  is 1,  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$ . The number of the data that is included in  $0 \leq e_1 \leq (5^{11}/4^f) - 5!$  is  $W_f \approx 5^{11}/4^f$ . When  $\gamma_f$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(W_{f-1}/W_f)^{1/2} \approx ((5^{11}/4^{f-1})/(5^{11}/4^f))^{1/2} \approx 2 \leq 2 = \gamma_f$ , the total number that  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $\gamma_f \approx 2$ . Next,  $(OB)$  observes  $|e_2\rangle$ , and the data of  $W_f$  remain. These actions are repeated sequentially from 2 to 9 at  $f$ .  $(D_{10})$  changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|1\rangle$  at  $e_1 = 0$ , or it changes  $|e_2\rangle$  for  $|0\rangle$  in the others of  $e_1$ . As the target state for  $|e_2\rangle$  is 1,  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$ . The number of the data that is included at  $e_1 = 0$  is  $W_{10} \approx 5! \approx 5^{11}/4^{10}$ . When  $\gamma_{10}$  is the minimum even integer that is  $(W_9/W_{10})^{1/2} \approx ((5^{11}/4^9)/(5^{11}/4^{10}))^{1/2} \approx 2 \leq 2 = \gamma_{10}$ , the total

number that  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$  act on  $|e_2\rangle$  is  $\gamma_{10} \approx 2$ . Next,  $(OB)$  observes  $|a_j\rangle, |b_1\rangle, |b_2\rangle, |c_i\rangle, |d\rangle, |e_1\rangle$  and  $|e_2\rangle$ , and one of the data of  $W_{10}$  remains. For example, when  $a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6, a_7, a_8, a_9, a_{10}, b_1, b_2, c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, d, e_1$  and  $e_2$  are 3, 4, 0, 4, 0, 2, 1, 3, 4, 2, 1, 1,  $\sum_{j=0 \rightarrow 10} a_j 5^{10-j}$ , 16, 16, 15, 15, 15, 5, 0 and 1, respectively, it is obtained that 5 groups are (10, 6), (7, 9), (12, 3), (4, 11) and (8, 2, 5).

## 5. Discussion and Summary

The computational complexity of this quantum algorithm [=  $S$ ] becomes the following. In the order of the actions by the gates, the number of them is  $\square n$  at  $\square$ ,  $n$  at  $(A)$ ,  $\beta n \approx 2n$  at  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$ ,  $n$  at  $(OB)$ ,  $k$  at  $(B)$ , 2 at  $(C)$ ,  $g$  at  $(D_f)$  [ $1 \leq f \leq g$ .  $f$  is the integer.],  $\sum_{f=1 \rightarrow g} \gamma_f \approx 2g$  at  $(PI)$  and  $(IM)$ , and  $g$  at  $(OB)$ . Therefore,  $S$  becomes  $(\square + 4)n + k + 2 + 4g$ . In the example of the section 4,  $S$  is 124. The computational complexity of the classical computation [=  $Z$ ] is  $k^n = 5^{11} \approx 5 \times 10^7$ . After all,  $S/Z$  becomes about  $1/(4 \times 10^5)$ . When  $n$  is large enough,  $S$  becomes about  $3(\log_2 k)n$ , where  $\square$  is about  $\log_2 k$ ,  $g$  is about  $(1/2)\log_2(k^n/k!) \approx (n/2)\log_2 k$ , and  $k!$  is about  $k^k e^{-k} (2k)^{1/2}$  [Stirling's formula]. And then,  $S/Z$  is about  $3(\log_2 k)n/k^n \approx n/k^n$ . For example, as for  $n = 100$  and  $k = 5$ ,  $S/Z$  is about  $100/5^{100} \approx 1/10^{68}$ .

Therefore, the polynomial time process becomes possible.

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