MULTIDIMENSIONAL QUANTUM WALKS, RECURSION, AND QUANTUM DIVIDE & CONQUER



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POWER OF QUANTUM COMPUTERS

How powerful are quantum computers?

What problems allow quantum speedups?

Polynomial? Exponential?

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quantum speedup for a class of problems



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RECURSIVE RELATION

subproblems

$T_{cl}(f_{k,d}) = dT_{cl}(f_{k-1,d}) + T_{aux}$

subproblem complexity

combining



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• But we know $O(\sqrt{d^k})$ [Rei11]



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[CKKD+22]

QUERY COMPLEXITY





Not constructive

TIME COMPLEXITY

AND or OR • MIN or MAX

ABB+23

- Arbitrary Boolean formulas & more general functions

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Quadratic speedup for DSTCON in the low-space regime

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