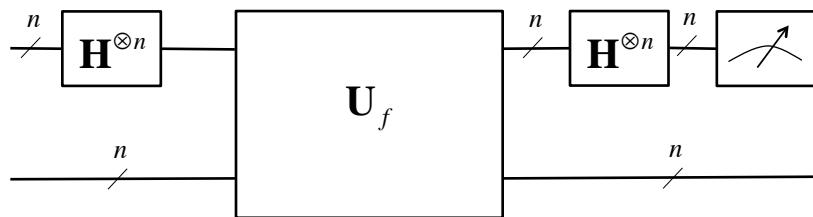


Simon's Periodicity Algorithm



PURPOSE: Detect Patterns within a Function

Simon's Periodicity Algorithm Problem Overview

- Consider an Unknown Function of the Form:

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

- Function is “Hidden” in a Black Box
- Known that there exists a string:

$$\mathbf{c} = c_0 c_1 c_2 \dots c_{n-1}$$

- Such that for all strings: $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \{0,1\}^n$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{y}) \text{ if and only if } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} \oplus \mathbf{c}$$

Simon's Periodicity Algorithm Problem Overview

- XOR operation is performed bitwise on the strings y and c
- The values of f repeat themselves in some pattern c
- c is called the “period” of f
- Purpose of Simon’s Algorithm is to determine c

Periodic Function Example

- number of bits $n=3$
- Consider $c=101$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \textcolor{red}{y} & \textcolor{red}{c} & \textcolor{red}{x} \\ 000 \oplus 101 = 101 & \Rightarrow f(000) = f(101) \end{array}$$

$$001 \oplus 101 = 100 \Rightarrow f(001) = f(100)$$

$$010 \oplus 101 = 111 \Rightarrow f(010) = f(111)$$

$$011 \oplus 101 = 110 \Rightarrow f(011) = f(110)$$

$$100 \oplus 101 = 001 \Rightarrow f(100) = f(001)$$

$$101 \oplus 101 = 000 \Rightarrow f(101) = f(000)$$

$$110 \oplus 101 = 011 \Rightarrow f(110) = f(011)$$

$$111 \oplus 101 = 010 \Rightarrow f(111) = f(010)$$

this must hold if
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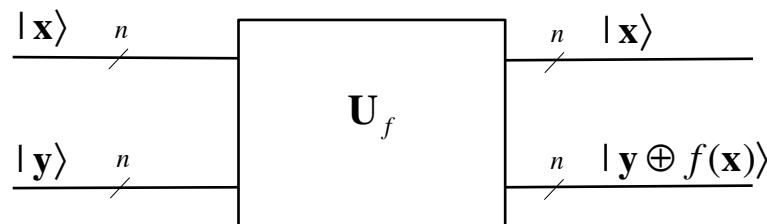
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 f is one-to-one

Function Specification

- Unknown function specified as a unitary operation of the form:



- Setting $y=0^n$ Provides a Convenient way to evaluate $f(x)$

Classical Solution to Problem

- Evaluate $f(x)$ on different binary strings
- After Each Evaluation, Check if Function Response has Already Been Found
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$$x_2 \oplus x_1 = x_2 \oplus x_2 \oplus c = (x_2 \oplus x_2) \oplus c = 0 \oplus c = c$$

$$x_1 \oplus x_2 = c$$

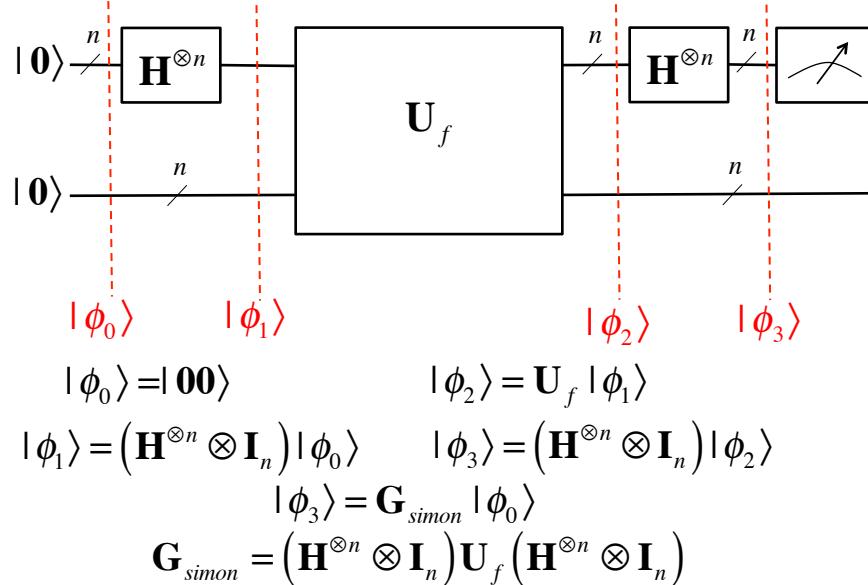
Classical Solution Complexity

- If $f(\mathbf{x})$ is not one-to-one (it is two-to-one) then a repeat will be found before half of inputs are evaluated
- If more than half of inputs checked with no match, then $f(\mathbf{x})$ is one-to-one and $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{0}^n$
- Worst case number of evaluations:

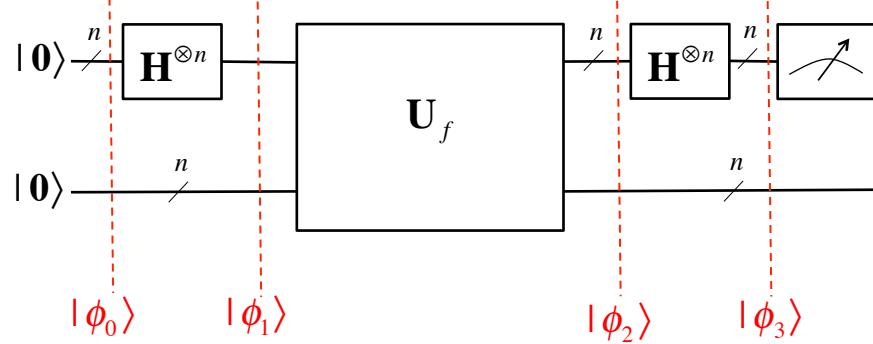
$$\frac{2^n}{2} + 1 = 2^{n-1} + 1$$

- Exponential Complexity

Periodicity Quantum Algorithm



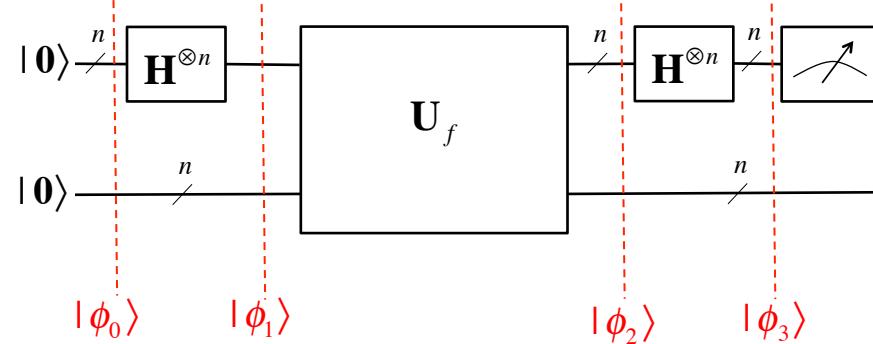
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- Places Upper n Qubits in State of Superposition
- EXAMPLE: $n=3$:

$$|\phi_1\rangle = (\mathbf{H}^{\otimes 3} \otimes \mathbf{I}_3) |\phi_0\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^3} |\mathbf{x}, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2^3}} = \frac{|\mathbf{000}, 000\rangle + |\mathbf{001}, 000\rangle + \dots + |\mathbf{111}, 000\rangle}{\sqrt{8}}$$

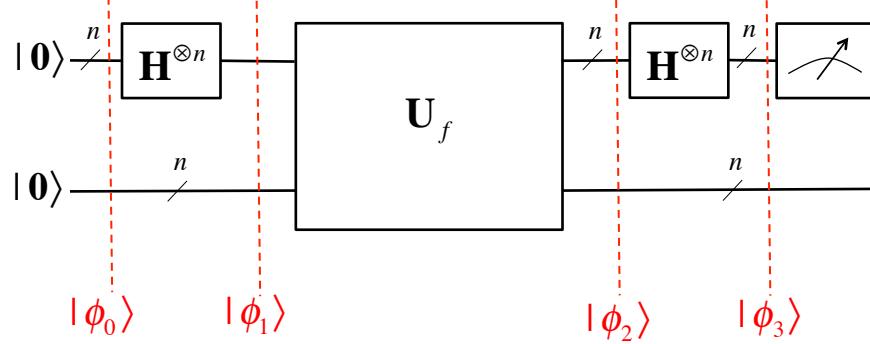
Periodicity Quantum Algorithm



- U_f causes evaluation of f for the superimposed quantum state

$$|\phi_2\rangle = U_f (\mathbf{H}^{\otimes 3} \otimes \mathbf{I}_3) |\phi_1\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^3} |\mathbf{x}, f(\mathbf{x})\rangle}{\sqrt{2^3}}$$

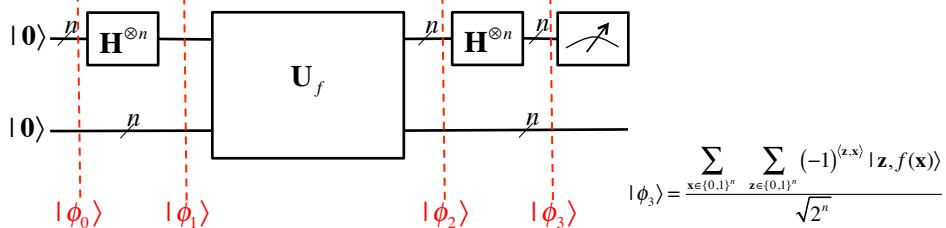
Periodicity Quantum Algorithm



- n -Dimensional Hadamard Transform applied again

$$|\phi_3\rangle = (H^{\otimes 3} \otimes I_3) |\phi_2\rangle = \frac{\sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} \sum_{z \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} |z, f(x)\rangle}{\sqrt{2^n}}$$

Periodicity Quantum Algorithm



- n -Dimensional Hadamard Transform applied again
- For each x and z in the Summations, Consider when: $|z, f(x)\rangle = |z, f(x \oplus c)\rangle$
- When this occurs, coefficient is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} + (-1)^{\langle z, x \oplus c \rangle}}{2} &= \frac{(-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} + (-1)^{\langle z, x \oplus \langle z, c \rangle \rangle}}{2} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} + (-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} (-1)^{\langle z, c \rangle}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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- When: $\langle z, c \rangle = 0$

$$\frac{(-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} + (-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} (-1)^{\langle z, c \rangle}}{2} = \frac{(-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} + (-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} (-1)^0}{2} = \frac{(-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle} + (-1)^{\langle z, x \rangle}}{2} = 1$$

- Therefore, when measuring the top qubits, we only find those binary strings where: $\langle z, c \rangle = 0$

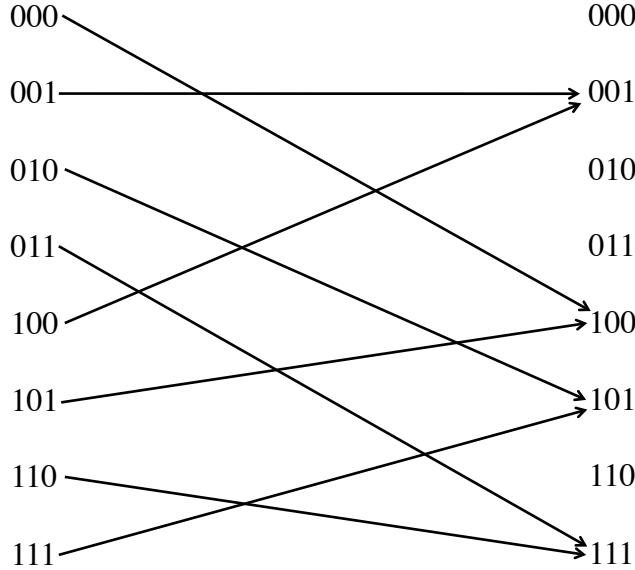
Example Function

- Consider the Function: $f : \{0,1\}^3 \rightarrow \{0,1\}^3$
- Truth Table Representation – Embedded Inside \mathbf{U}_f

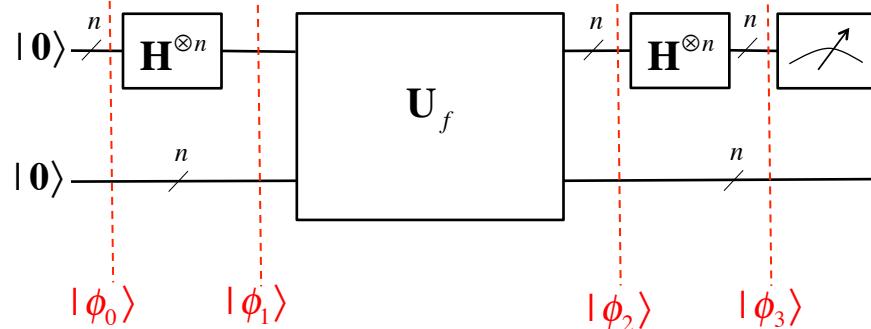
x_1	x_2	x_3	f
0	0	0	100
0	0	1	001
0	1	0	101
0	1	1	111
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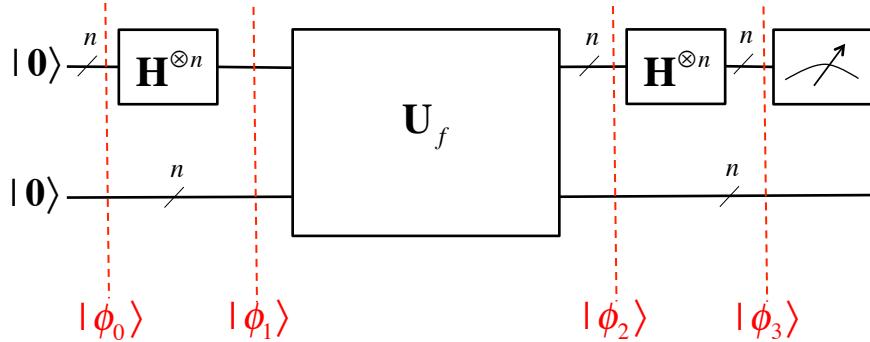
Periodicity Algorithm Example



$$|\phi_0\rangle = |00\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = |000\rangle \otimes |000\rangle$$

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Periodicity Algorithm Example



$$|\phi_2\rangle = \mathbf{U}_f (\mathbf{H}^{\otimes 3} \otimes \mathbf{I}_3) |\phi_0\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^3} |\mathbf{x}, f(\mathbf{x})\rangle}{\sqrt{2^3}} = \frac{\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^3} |\mathbf{x}\rangle \otimes |f(\mathbf{x})\rangle}{\sqrt{8}}$$

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• In the Next Stage of the Cascade:

$$|\phi_3\rangle = \frac{\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^3} \sum_{\mathbf{z} \in \{0,1\}^3} (-1)^{\langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x} \rangle} |\mathbf{z}\rangle \otimes |f(\mathbf{x})\rangle}{(\sqrt{8})(\sqrt{8})}$$

Periodicity Algorithm Example

- Writing this out Term by Term Yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\phi_3\rangle = & \frac{1}{8} ((+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(000)\rangle + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(001)\rangle + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(010)\rangle + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(011)\rangle \\
 & + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(100)\rangle + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(101)\rangle + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(110)\rangle + (+1)|000\rangle \otimes |f(111)\rangle \\
 & + ((+1)|001\rangle \otimes |f(000)\rangle + (-1)|001\rangle \otimes |f(001)\rangle + (+1)|001\rangle \otimes |f(010)\rangle + (-1)|001\rangle \otimes |f(011)\rangle \\
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 & + ((+1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(000)\rangle + (+1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(001)\rangle + (-1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(010)\rangle + (-1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(011)\rangle \\
 & + (+1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(100)\rangle + (+1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(101)\rangle + (-1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(110)\rangle + (-1)|010\rangle \otimes |f(111)\rangle \\
 & + ((+1)|011\rangle \otimes |f(000)\rangle + (-1)|011\rangle \otimes |f(001)\rangle + (-1)|011\rangle \otimes |f(010)\rangle + (+1)|011\rangle \otimes |f(011)\rangle \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

- Coefficients in Red are the Elements of: $\mathbf{H}^{\otimes 3}$
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Periodicity Algorithm Example

- Evaluating the Function f in the Previous Equation Yields the Following (continued):

$$\begin{aligned} & + (+1)|100\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (+1)|100\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (+1)|100\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (+1)|100\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (-1)|100\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (-1)|100\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (-1)|100\rangle \otimes |111\rangle + (-1)|100\rangle \otimes |101\rangle \\ & + ((+1)|101\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (-1)|101\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (+1)|101\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (-1)|101\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (-1)|101\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (+1)|101\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (-1)|101\rangle \otimes |111\rangle + (+1)|101\rangle \otimes |101\rangle \\ & + ((+1)|110\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (+1)|110\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (-1)|110\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (-1)|110\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (-1)|110\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (-1)|110\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (+1)|110\rangle \otimes |111\rangle + (+1)|110\rangle \otimes |101\rangle \\ & + ((+1)|111\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (-1)|111\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (-1)|111\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (+1)|111\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (-1)|111\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (+1)|111\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (+1)|111\rangle \otimes |111\rangle + (-1)|111\rangle \otimes |101\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

Periodicity Algorithm Example

- Combining Like Terms and Cancelling Out Where Possible Yields the Following:

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_3\rangle = & \frac{1}{8} ((+2)|000\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (+2)|000\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (+2)|000\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (+2)|000\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (+2)|010\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (+2)|010\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (-2)|010\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (-2)|010\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (+2)|101\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (-2)|101\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (+2)|101\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (-2)|101\rangle \otimes |111\rangle \\ & + (+2)|111\rangle \otimes |100\rangle + (-2)|111\rangle \otimes |001\rangle + (-2)|111\rangle \otimes |101\rangle + (+2)|111\rangle \otimes |111\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_3\rangle = & \frac{1}{8} ((+2)|000\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle + |001\rangle + |101\rangle + |111\rangle) \\ & + (+2)|010\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle + |001\rangle - |101\rangle - |111\rangle) \\ & + (+2)|101\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle - |001\rangle + |101\rangle - |111\rangle) \\ & + (+2)|111\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle - |001\rangle - |101\rangle + |111\rangle)) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_3\rangle = & \frac{1}{8} ((+2)|\textcolor{red}{000}\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle + |001\rangle + |101\rangle + |111\rangle) \\ & + (+2)|\textcolor{red}{010}\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle + |001\rangle - |101\rangle - |111\rangle) \\ & + (+2)|\textcolor{red}{101}\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle - |001\rangle + |101\rangle - |111\rangle) \\ & + (+2)|\textcolor{red}{111}\rangle \otimes (|100\rangle - |001\rangle - |101\rangle + |111\rangle)) \end{aligned}$$

- Measuring the Top 3 Qubits Gives (with equal probability): $|\textcolor{red}{000}\rangle, |\textcolor{red}{010}\rangle, |\textcolor{red}{101}\rangle, |\textcolor{red}{111}\rangle$
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- For Each of These Measured Quantum States, it is True that the Inner Product with the Period Bitstring \mathbf{c} is Zero
- The Algorithm/Circuit is Measured a Sufficient Number of Times to Ensure All Possible Measurements are Obtained
- This Yields a Set of Simultaneous Equations:

$$(i) \quad \langle 000, \mathbf{c} \rangle = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad \langle 010, \mathbf{c} \rangle = 0$$

$$(iii) \quad \langle 101, \mathbf{c} \rangle = 0$$

$$(iv) \quad \langle 111, \mathbf{c} \rangle = 0$$

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$$\langle 000, c_1 c_2 c_3 \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle 010, c_1 c_2 c_3 \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle 101, c_1 c_2 c_3 \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle 111, c_1 c_2 c_3 \rangle = 0$$

$$(0 \wedge c_1) \oplus (0 \wedge c_2) \oplus (0 \wedge c_3) = 0$$

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Periodicity Algorithm Example

$$c_2 = 0$$

$$c_1 \oplus c_3 = 0$$

$$c_1 \oplus c_2 \oplus c_3 = 0$$

- This Means that $c_1=c_3=0$ or that $c_1=c_3=1$
- We Know that c is NOT EQUAL to 000 Since Function was Found not to be One-to-One
- Therefore $c_1=c_3=1$
- Period of Function is:

$$\mathbf{c} = c_1 c_2 c_3 = 101$$

Periodicity Algorithm Example

- Must Run Simon's Algorithm Several Times to Measure n Different \mathbf{z} Bitstrings
- Next Use a Classical Computer for Solving n Different Linear Equations