# Success-or-draw: A strategy allowing repeat-until-success in quantum computation 

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- With $n$ trials, the probability of getting heads at least once:

$$
p_{s}(n)=1-(1-p)^{n}
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Reversing Unknown Quantum Transformations:
Universal Quantum Circuit for Inverting General Unitary Operations
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## Explicit construction



$$
\left|\phi^{+}\right\rangle:=\frac{|00\rangle+|11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \mathcal{M}:=\left\{i d \otimes\left(\sigma_{X}^{i} \sigma_{Z}^{j}\right)\left|\phi^{+}\right\rangle\right\}_{i j}
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Since $U$ is "unknown", we cannot invert $\sigma_{Z}^{i} \sigma_{X}^{j} U^{-1}$

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An extra call of $U$ allows success-or-draw

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$\Downarrow$


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If there exists a quantum circuit such that

$$
U \mapsto p_{U} f(U)
$$

there is a depth-2 success-or-draw circuit such that

$$
U^{\otimes d} \mapsto \epsilon p_{U} f(U), \quad \epsilon>0
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- We set $S:=\epsilon S_{t} \otimes i d$ and construct a neutralising operator $N$ via a nice Pauli decomposition


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Success-or-draw is always possible with length 2 and $d$ calls or $U$ :


OK, but how about this $\epsilon$ ?

## Optimising the success probability

Given a desired function $f$ and the number of uses $k$, maximising the success-or-draw circuit

$$
U^{\otimes k} \mapsto p f(U)
$$

is a semidefinite programming (SDP) problem!

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SDP:
$\max p$
such that: $S *|U\rangle\rangle\left\langle\left\langle\left. U\right|^{\otimes k}=p \mid f(U)\right\rangle\right\rangle\langle\langle f(U)|, \quad \forall U$

$$
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SDP allows us to find interesting things Qubit unitary inversion can be improved:


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- Particular cases may be analysed via SDP


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- It would be nice to see a more concrete application...


## Thank you!



