

# Hidden Translation and Orbit Coset in Quantum Computing

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- HIDDEN TRANSLATION

Efficient quantum algorithm in elementary Abelian groups

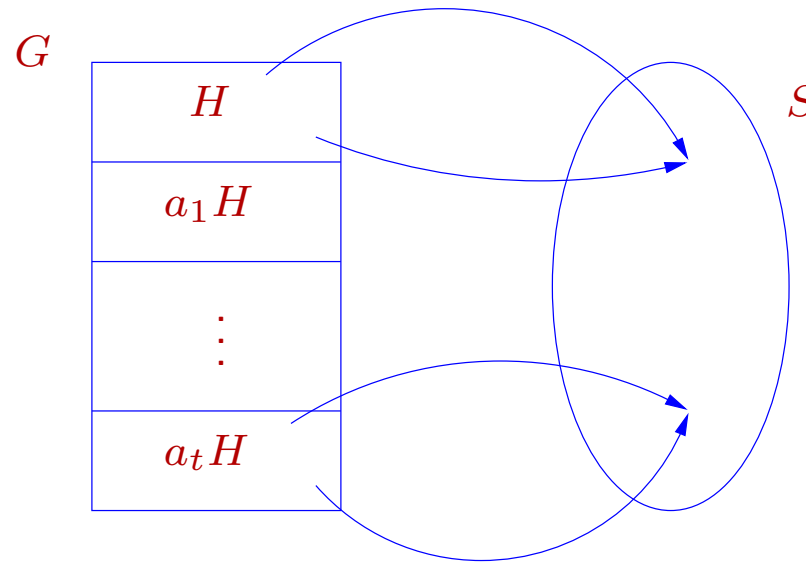
- ORBIT COSET

Efficient recursive quantum algorithm in smoothly solvable groups

Input:  $G$  finite group, and  $f : G \rightarrow S$  hiding  $H \leq G$ :

$\forall x \in G, h \in H, f(x) = f(xh)$  and  $\forall x, y \in G, xH \neq yH \implies f(x) \neq f(y)$ .

Output: Generators for  $H$ .



**Theorem:** Can be solved in quantum  $\text{poly}(\log|G|)$ -time when

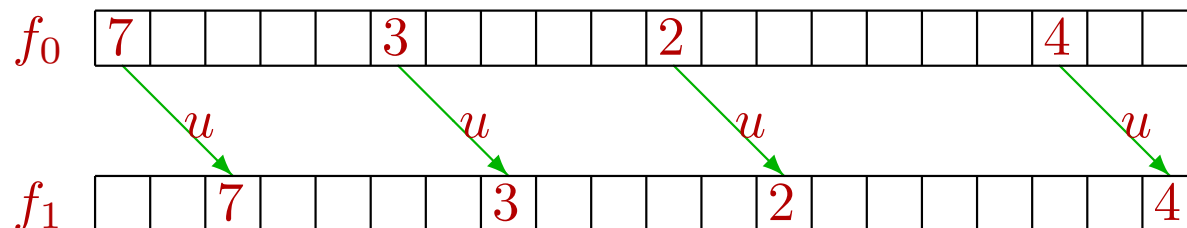
- $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^k \wr \mathbb{Z}_2$  [Roetteler, Beth'98]
- $H$  is normal and  $\text{QFT}_G$  is available [Hallgren, Russell, Ta-Shma'00]
- $H$  is normal and  $G$  is solvable [Ivanyos, Magniez, Santha'01]
- $\cap\{N(H) : H \leq G\}$  is large [Grigni, Schulman, Vazirani, Vazirani'01]
- $G = \mathbb{Z}_p \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_q$  when  $q = \frac{p-1}{(\log p)^c}$  [Moore, Rockmore, Russell, Schulman'02]
- $G = \mathbb{Z}_n \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$  with exponential postprocessing [Ettinger, Høyer'00]
- $G = \mathbb{Z}_p^n \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$  for fixed prime  $p$

Input:  $G$  finite group.

$f_0, f_1 : G \rightarrow S$  injective functions having a translation  $u \in G$ :

$$\forall x \in G, \quad f_0(x) = f_1(xu).$$

Output:  $u$ .



**Theorem.** [Ettinger-Høyer'00]. If  $G$  finite Abelian group then  
**HIDDEN TRANSLATION** on  $G \simeq$  **HIDDEN SUBGROUP** on  $G \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

Group operation on  $G \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$  :  $(x_1, b_1) \cdot (x_2, b_2) = (x_1 + (-1)^{b_1} x_2, b_1 \oplus b_2)$ .

**Fact.**  $f(x, b) = f_b(x)$  hides  $H = \{(0, 0); (u, 1)\}$  on  $G \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

**Theorem.** For every prime  $p$ , **HIDDEN TRANSLATION** can be solved on  $\mathbb{Z}_p^n$  by a quantum algorithm with query complexity  $O(p(n + p)^{p-1})$  and time complexity  $(n + p)^{O(p)}$ .

Idea of [EH'00]: Apply QFT on the direct product  $\mathbb{Z}_p^n \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

State: 
$$\frac{1}{2p^n} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n} \sum_{b=0}^1 \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n} \sum_{c=0}^1 \omega_p^{x \cdot y} (-1)^{bc} |y\rangle |c\rangle |f_b(x)\rangle$$

Rewrite using the hidden translation:

$$\frac{1}{2p^n} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n} \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n} \sum_{c=0}^1 (\omega_p^{x \cdot y} + \omega_p^{(x+u) \cdot y} (-1)^c) |y\rangle |c\rangle |f_0(x)\rangle$$

For all  $x, y$  the amplitude of  $|y\rangle |1\rangle |f_0(x)\rangle$  is:

$$\frac{1}{2p^n} \omega_p^{x \cdot y} (1 - \omega_p^{y \cdot u})$$

After observation:

$$\Pr[\text{output} = (y, 1)] = \frac{1}{4p^{2n}} |1 - \omega_p^{y \cdot u}|^2.$$

Properties of the output distribution:

- $\Pr[c = 1] = \frac{1}{2}$
- depends only on  $y \cdot u$
- for every  $(y, 1)$  observed:  $y \cdot u \neq 0 \pmod{p}$ .

Sample  $(y, 1)$  such that  $y \cdot u \neq 0 \pmod p$  (i.e.  $y \notin u^\perp$ )

Linear inequations  $\mapsto$  polynomial equations

$$y \cdot u \neq 0 \pmod p \iff (y \cdot u)^{p-1} = 1 \pmod p$$

**Fact.** Solving polynomial equations is NP-complete.

**Idea:** ‘Linearize’ the system in the symmetric power of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^n$

**Definition.**  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{(p-1)}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is the vector space of homogeneous polynomials in  $n$ -variables of degree  $(p-1)$  over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

- A basis: Monomials of degree  $(p-1)$
- Dimension:  $\binom{n+p-2}{p-1}$

Transfer from  $\mathbb{Z}_p^n$  via  $(\mathbb{Z}_p^n)^*$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{(p-1)}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  :

**Definition.** For  $y = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$  let  $y^{(p-1)} = (\sum_j a_j x_j)^{p-1}$ .

$$y \cdot u \neq 0 \pmod p \implies y^{(p-1)} \cdot u^* = (y \cdot u)^{p-1} = 1 \pmod p,$$

where in  $u^* \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$  the monomial  $x_1^{e_1} \cdots x_n^{e_n}$  has coordinate  $u_1^{e_1} \cdots u_n^{e_n}$ .

End of the algorithm:

- Hopefully the linear system in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{(p-1)}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  has unique solution
- Find the solution  $U = u^*$
- Try the  $(p-1)$  candidates  $v$  such that  $v^* = u^*$

**Example.**  $p = 3$ ,  $n = 3$ ,  $u = (1, 2, 0)$ .

Sample in $\mathbb{Z}_3^3$	Inequation in $\mathbb{Z}_3^3$	Equation in $\mathbb{Z}_3^{(2)}[x_1, x_2, x_3]$
$y_1 = (0, 1, 0)$	$x_2 \cdot u \neq 0$	$x_2^2 \cdot U = 1$
$y_2 = (0, 2, 1)$	$(2x_2 + x_3) \cdot u \neq 0$	$(x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_2x_3) \cdot U = 1$
$y_3 = (0, 2, 2)$	$(2x_2 + 2x_3) \cdot u \neq 0$	$(x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 2x_2x_3) \cdot U = 1$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

where  $x_1 = (1, 0, 0)$ ,  $x_2 = (0, 1, 0)$ ,  $x_3 = (0, 0, 1)$ ,  
 $x_1^2 = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$ , ...

System of full rank  $\implies$  unique solution  $U = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_1x_2$ .

Try the 2 possible translations  $(1, 2, 0)$  and  $(2, 1, 0) \rightsquigarrow u = (1, 2, 0)$ .

## Translation finding<sup>f</sup>( $\mathbb{Z}_p^n$ )

0. If  $f_0(0) = f_1(0)$  then return 0.
1.  $N \leftarrow 13p \binom{n+p-2}{p-1}$ .
2. For  $i = 1, \dots, N$  do  $(z_i, b_i) \leftarrow$  **Fourier sampling<sup>f</sup>**( $\mathbb{Z}_p^n \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ).
3.  $\{y_1, \dots, y_m\} \leftarrow \{z_i : b_i = 1\}$ .
4. For  $i = 1, \dots, m$  do  $Y_i \leftarrow y_i^{(p-1)}$ .
5. Solve  $Y_1 \cdot U = 1, \dots, Y_m \cdot U = 1$ .
6. If several solutions then abort.
7. Let  $j$  be such that the coefficient of  $x_j^{p-1}$  in  $U$  is 1.
8. Let  $v \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$  be such that  $v_k v_j$  is the coefficient of  $x_k x_j^{p-2}$  in  $U$ .
9. Find  $0 < a < p$  such that  $f_0(0) = f_1(av)$ .
10. Return  $av$ .



**Line Lemma.** Let  $L_{z,y} = \{(z + ay)^{(p-1)} : 0 \leq a \leq p-1\}$  for  $y, z \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ .  
Then  $y^{(p-1)} \in \text{Span}(L_{z,y})$ .

**Proof.** Let  $M_{z,y} = \left\{ \binom{p-1}{k} z^{(k)} y^{(p-1-k)} : 0 \leq k \leq p-1 \right\}$ .

**Claim:**  $\text{Span}(L_{z,y}) = \text{Span}(M_{z,y})$ .

	$z^{(p-1)}$	$(z + y)^{(p-1)}$	$(z + 2y)^{(p-1)}$	...	$(z + (p-1)y)^{(p-1)}$
$\binom{p-1}{0} z^{(p-1)}$	1	1	1	...	1
$\binom{p-1}{1} z^{(p-2)} y^{(1)}$	0	1	2	...	$(p-1)$
$\binom{p-1}{2} z^{(p-3)} y^{(2)}$	0	1	$2^2$	...	$(p-1)^2$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$
$\binom{p-1}{p-1} y^{(p-1)}$	0	1	$(p-1)^2$	...	$(p-1)^{(p-1)}$

**Corollary.**  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{(p-1)}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is spanned by  $\{y^{(p-1)} : y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n\}$ .

**Lemma.** Let  $W \leq \mathbb{Z}_p^{(p-1)}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  and  $R = \{y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n : y^{(p-1)} \in W\}$ .

Set  $V_k = \{y \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n : y \cdot u = k\}$ , and  $R_k = R \cap V_k$ .

If  $W \neq \mathbb{Z}_p^{(p-1)}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  then  $\frac{|R_k|}{|V_k|} \leq \frac{p-1}{p}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, p-1$ .

**Proof.** Corollary  $\implies R \neq \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ .

**Case 1:**  $R_0 = V_0$ . Then  $R_k \neq V_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, p-1$ . Let  $y \in V_1 - R_1$ .

Line Lemma  $\implies$  in each coset of  $\langle y \rangle$  an element is outside  $R$ .

	$\langle y \rangle$	...	$z + \langle y \rangle$	...
$V_0$	0	...	$z$	...
$V_1$	$y$	...	$z + y$	...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	...	$\vdots$	...
$V_{p-1}$	$(p-1)y$	...	$z + (p-1)y$	...

$$\implies \frac{|R|}{|\mathbb{Z}_p^n|} \leq \frac{p-2}{p-1} \implies \frac{|R_k|}{|V_k|} \leq \frac{p-2}{p-1}.$$

**Case 2:**  $R_0 \neq V_0$ . Let  $y \in V_0 - R_0$ , then  $V_k$  is union of cosets of  $\langle y \rangle$ .

$$\text{Line Lemma} \implies \frac{|R_k|}{|V_k|} \leq \frac{p-1}{p}.$$

$G$  a finite group given by generators

Elements are encoded in  $\{0, 1\}^n$  where  $n = O(\log |G|)$

Group operations are performed by oracles

For  $G$  solvable, the **derived series** is computable in probabilistic polynomial time [Babai et al.'95]

$$G = G^{(0)} \triangleright G^{(1)} \triangleright \dots \triangleright G^{(m)} = \{1_G\}$$

For  $G$  solvable, the **composition series** is computable in quantum polynomial time [Watrous'01] [Ivanyos et al.'01]

$$G = G_0 \triangleright G_1 \triangleright \dots \triangleright G_m = \{1_G\}$$

where  $|G_i/G_{i+1}|$  is prime

$G$  finite group,  $\Gamma$  mutually orthogonal quantum states

Action of  $G$  on  $\Gamma$  is a homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &: G \rightarrow \text{Perm}(\Gamma) \\ x &\mapsto \alpha_x \end{aligned}$$

Notation.  $\alpha_x(|\varphi\rangle) = |x \cdot \varphi\rangle$

Oracle for a group action :  $|x\rangle|\varphi\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle|x \cdot \varphi\rangle$

Example 1. For  $t \geq 1$ ,  $\alpha^t$  is an action on  $\Gamma^t = \{|\varphi\rangle^{\otimes t} : |\varphi\rangle \in \Gamma\}$

$$\alpha_x^t : |\varphi\rangle^{\otimes t} \mapsto |x \cdot \varphi\rangle^{\otimes t}$$

Example 2. Let  $f : G \rightarrow S$  a hiding function,

$$|f\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|G|}} \sum_{g \in G} |g\rangle |f(g)\rangle.$$

The  $y$ -translate of  $f$  is  $y \cdot f : g \mapsto f(gy)$

$$\Gamma(f) = \{|y \cdot f\rangle : y \in G\}$$

The translation action on  $\Gamma(f)$  is  $\tau_x : |f'\rangle \mapsto |x \cdot f'\rangle$

Oracle for  $f \implies$  oracle for the translation action :

$$|x\rangle|x \cdot f'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|G|}} \sum_{g \in G} |x\rangle|g\rangle|f'(gx)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|G|}} \sum_{g \in G} |x\rangle|gx^{-1}\rangle|f'(g)\rangle$$

The **stabilizer** of  $|\varphi\rangle$  is  $G_{|\varphi\rangle} = \{x \in G : |x \cdot \varphi\rangle = |\varphi\rangle\}$ .

The **orbit** of  $|\varphi\rangle$  is  $G(|\varphi\rangle) = \{|x \cdot \varphi\rangle, x \in G\}$ .

The **orbit coset** of  $|\varphi_0\rangle$  and  $|\varphi_1\rangle$  is  $\{u \in G : |u \cdot \varphi_1\rangle = |\varphi_0\rangle\}$ .

The orbit coset is empty or a left coset  $uG_{|\varphi_1\rangle}$ .

## STABILIZER

Input:  $G, \alpha, \Gamma, |\varphi\rangle$ .

Output:  $G_{|\varphi\rangle}$

## ORBIT COSET

Input:  $G, \alpha, \Gamma, |\varphi_0\rangle, |\varphi_1\rangle$ .

Output:  $\begin{cases} \text{reject,} & \text{if } G(|\varphi_0\rangle) \cap G(|\varphi_1\rangle) = \emptyset; \\ u \in G \text{ s.t. } |u \cdot \varphi_1\rangle = |\varphi_0\rangle \text{ and generators for } G_{|\varphi_1\rangle}, & \text{ow.} \end{cases}$

**Theorem.** When  $t = \text{poly}(\log|G|)$  then for the translation action  $\tau^t$

- **HIDDEN SUBGROUP  $\leq$  STABILIZER**
- **HIDDEN TRANSLATION  $\leq$  ORBIT COSET**

**Proof.** The subgroup hidden by  $f$  is the stabilizer of  $|f\rangle$ . The translation of  $(f_0, f_1)$  is the orbit coset of  $(|f_0\rangle, |f_1\rangle)$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $G$  Abelian. When  $t = \Omega(\log(|G|))$ , STABILIZER for  $\alpha^t$  is solvable in quantum time  $\text{poly}(\log|G|)$ .

**Proof.** On input  $|\varphi\rangle^{\otimes t}$  let  $f(x) = |x \cdot \varphi\rangle$ . Then  $f$  hides  $G_{|\varphi\rangle}$ . Run the algorithm for HIDDEN SUBGROUP, simulating the  $i^{\text{th}}$  query  $|x\rangle|0\rangle_S$  using the  $i^{\text{th}}$  copy of  $|\varphi\rangle$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $G = \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ . When  $t = \Omega(p(n+p)^{p-1})$ , ORBIT COSET for  $\alpha^t$  is solvable in quantum time  $(n+p)^{O(p)}$ .

**Proof.** One can suppose w.l.o.g. that the stabilizers of the input  $|\varphi_0\rangle^{\otimes t}, |\varphi_1\rangle^{\otimes t}$  are trivial. Let  $f_b(x) = |x \cdot \varphi_b\rangle$ . Then the translation of  $(f_0, f_1)$  is the orbit coset of  $(|\varphi_0\rangle, |\varphi_1\rangle)$ . Run the algorithm

**Translation finding.**

**Idea.** Let  $N \triangleleft G$ . Given **PROBLEM** on  $G$ , establish self-reducibility  
 $\text{PROBLEM}(G) \leq \{\text{PROBLEM}(N), \text{PROBLEM}(G/N)\}$

**Definition.** Orbit superposition

$$|N \cdot \varphi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|N(|\varphi\rangle)|}} \sum_{|\varphi'\rangle \in N(|\varphi\rangle)} |\varphi'\rangle$$

**Definition.** Factor group action

$$\Gamma_N = \{|N \cdot \varphi\rangle : |\varphi\rangle \in \Gamma\}$$

$$\alpha_N : G/N \rightarrow \text{Perm}(\Gamma_N)$$

$$xN \mapsto \alpha_{N,x}$$

$$\alpha_{N,x}(|N \cdot \varphi\rangle) = |x \cdot (N \cdot \varphi)\rangle$$

How to create the orbit superposition  $|N \cdot \varphi\rangle$ ?

**Theorem.**  $G$  solvable. Given  $|\varphi\rangle^{\otimes(s+\lceil\log|G|\rceil+1)}$ , realizing  $|\varphi\rangle|G \cdot \varphi\rangle^{\otimes s}$  is reducible to **ORBIT COSET** in subgroups of  $G$  for  $\alpha$ .

**Proof.** Let  $G = G_0 \triangleright G_1 \triangleright \dots \triangleright G_m = \{1_G\}$  where  $G_n/G_{n+1}$  is cyclic of prime order  $r_n$  and is generated by  $z_n G_{n+1}$ .

For  $n = m$  downto  $0$ , produce the state  $|\varphi\rangle|G_n \cdot \varphi\rangle^{\otimes(s+n)}$ .

Induction step. Set  $k = s + n + 1$ . Given  $|\varphi\rangle|G_{n+1} \cdot \varphi\rangle^{\otimes k}$

- Compute  $k$  copies of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{r_n}} \sum_{i=0}^{r_n-1} |i\rangle |z_n^i \cdot (G_{n+1} \cdot \varphi)\rangle$
- Disentangle the first registers by the method of Watrous

QFT:  $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{r_n}} \sum_{j=0}^{r_n-1} |j\rangle |\psi_j\rangle)^{\otimes k}$  where  $|\psi_j\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_n}} \sum_{i=0}^{r_n-1} \omega_{r_n}^{ij} |z_n^i \cdot (G_{n+1} \cdot \varphi)\rangle$ .

Suppose  $j_0 \neq 0$ . Then  $|(z_n^i g)^{j j_0^{-1}} \cdot \psi_{j_0}\rangle = \omega_{r_n}^{-ij} |\psi_{j_0}\rangle$  for  $g \in G_{n+1}$ .

**ORBIT COSET** on  $|\varphi\rangle$  and  $|z_n^i g \cdot \varphi\rangle$  gives  $z_n^i g$ .



**Theorem.** Let  $N \triangleleft G$ ,  $N$  solvable. When  $t = \Omega(s + \log|G|)$

- $\text{OC}(G, \alpha^t) \leq \{ \text{OC}(\text{Subgroups of } N, \alpha), \text{OC}(G/N, (\alpha_N)^s) \}$
- $\text{STAB}(G, \alpha^t) \leq \{ \text{OC}(\text{Subgroups of } N, \alpha), \text{STAB}(G/N, (\alpha_N)^s) \}$

**Proof** for **STABILIZER**.

Compute  $N_{|\varphi\rangle} = G_{|\varphi\rangle} \cap N$  by **STAB**( $N, \alpha$ ).

Construct  $H \leq G$  such that

$$N_{|\varphi\rangle} \leq H \leq G_{|\varphi\rangle} \text{ and } HN/N = G_{|\varphi\rangle}N/N.$$

Then  $H = G_{|\varphi\rangle}$  since  $H \cap N = G_{|\varphi\rangle} \cap N$  and  $HN/N = G_{|\varphi\rangle}N/N$ .

Add to  $N_{|\varphi\rangle}$  generators of  $G_{|\varphi\rangle}N/N$  which are in  $G_{|\varphi\rangle}$

**Fact.**  $G_{|\varphi\rangle}N/N$  is the stabilizer of  $|N \cdot \varphi\rangle$  in  $G/N$ .

- Compute  $V$  such that  $\langle V \rangle = G_{|\varphi\rangle}N/N$  by **STAB**( $G/N, (\alpha_N)^s$ )
- Create input  $|N \cdot \varphi\rangle^{\otimes s}$  by **OC**( $N, \alpha$ )
- Let  $z \in V$ . Then  $z = gn^{-1}$  for  $g \in G_{|\varphi\rangle}$  and  $n \in N$ . In  $N$  the orbit coset of  $|z^{-1}\varphi\rangle$  and  $|\varphi\rangle$  is  $nN_{|\varphi\rangle}$ . Find  $n$  by **OC**( $N, \alpha$ ).

**Definition.** A solvable group is **smoothly** solvable if it is of bounded exponent and its derived series is of bounded length.

**Fact.** A smoothly solvable group  $G$  has a **smooth** series

$$G = G_0 \triangleright G_1 \triangleright \dots \triangleright G_m = \{1_G\}$$

where  $m$  bounded and  $G_i/G_{i+1}$  is elementary Abelian of bounded exponent.

**Theorem.** Let  $G$  smoothly solvable. When  $t = \log^{\Omega(1)} |G|$  then **ORBIT COSET** can be solved for  $\alpha^t$  in quantum time  $\text{poly}(\log |G|)$ .

**Theorem.** Let  $G$  solvable such that  $G'$  is smoothly solvable. When  $t = \log^{\Omega(1)} |G|$  then **STABILIZER** can be solved for  $\alpha^t$  in quantum time  $\text{poly}(\log |G|)$ .

**Corollary** There is a quantum polynomial time algorithm for

- **HIDDEN TRANSLATION** in smoothly solvable groups
- **HIDDEN SUBGROUP** in solvable groups having a smoothly solvable commutator subgroup