

Grover's Search (1996): Quadratic Speedup

- Search space of size 2^n using $2^{(n/2)}$ function evaluations vs. classical $(2^n)/2$
- Security implications: 256-bit key for ANY algorithm will have only 128-bit security level
- Simulation:

```
for( iter = 1; iter <= k; ++iter)
{
    // apply f, i.e. flip sign of state m
    //
    q[m] = -q[m];

    // inversion about the average
    //
    avg = 0; for( i = 0; i < N; ++i) avg += q[i];

    avg *= 2.0/N; for( i = 0; i < N; ++i) q[i] = avg - q[i];
}
```