Randomized Quantum Algorithm for Statistical Phase Estimation

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Problem: Ground state energy estimation

• Given *n*-qubit Hamiltonian

$$H := \sum_{l=1}^{L} \alpha_l P_l$$
 with P_l n -qubit Paulis

and one-norm $\lambda\coloneqq\sum_{l=1}^L|\alpha_l|$, together with efficiently preparable n-qubit ansatz state ρ with overlap

$$\langle \phi_0 | \rho | \phi_0 \rangle \ge \eta > 0$$

for ground state $|\phi_0\rangle\langle\phi_0|$ with energy E_0

• Goal: Compute estimate \tilde{E}_0 with precision $\left|\tilde{E}_0 - E_0\right| \leq \Delta$

Goals for early fault-tolerance scheme

1. Minimize number of qubits needed – only one ancilla



- 2. Independent of the number L of Pauli terms in H instead, depending on one-norm $\lambda \leq L$
- 3. Trade-off gate versus sample complexity
- 4. Decrease error by solely taking more samples

Main Result

Algorithm ground state energy estimation

• Output \tilde{E}_0 with $\left|\tilde{E}_0-E_0\right| \leq \Delta$ with probability $1-\xi$ by employing

$$C_{sample} = \tilde{O}(\eta^{-2}) \quad \left[= O\left(\eta^{-2}\log^2(\lambda\Delta^{-1}\log(\eta^{-1}))\log(\xi^{-1}\log(\lambda\Delta^{-1}))\right) \right]$$

quantum circuits on n+1 qubits, each using one copy of ρ and

$$C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2}) \quad [= O(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2} \log^2(\eta^{-1}))]$$

single-qubit Pauli rotations $\exp(i\theta P_l)$

• Plus: Clifford gates – generated by CNOT, H, and S (Paulis)

Complexity ground state energy estimation

• n qubit Hamiltonian, n+1 qubits with quantum complexities independent of L:

$$C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2}) \text{ for } C_{sample} = \tilde{O}(\eta^{-2})$$

- Randomized algorithm with classical pre- and post-processing
- Comparison state-of-the-art qubitization based approach:

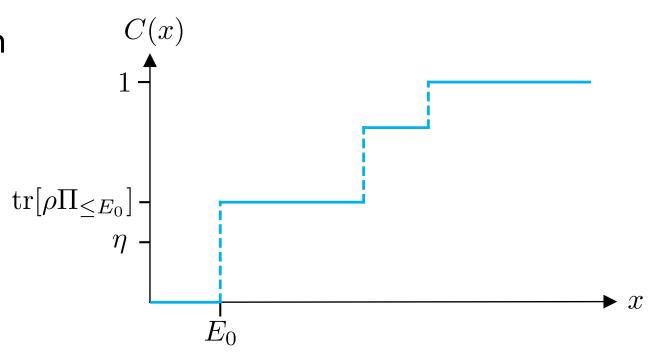
Gate complexity
$$\tilde{O}(\sqrt{L}\lambda\Delta^{-1})$$
 for $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{L})$ qubits \rightarrow total $\tilde{O}(L\lambda\Delta^{-1})$

Basic idea

• Cumulative distribution function (CDF) relative to ρ :

$$C(x) \coloneqq Tr[\rho \Pi_{\leq x}]$$

- Evaluate C(x) from quantum routine?
- Eigenvalue thresholding
- Give ground state energy estimate \tilde{E}_0 via binary search

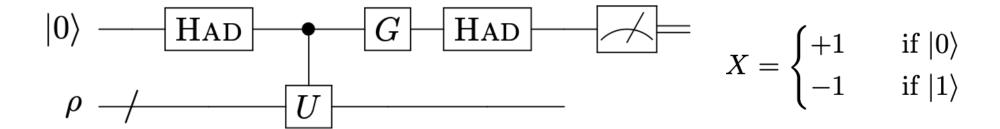


[Lin & Tong, PRX Quantum (2022)] [Martyn et al., PRX Quantum (2021)]

Quantum routine to evaluate CDF

Workhorse A: Hadamard test

- Input: n-qubit state ho together with n-qubit unitary U
- Circuit:

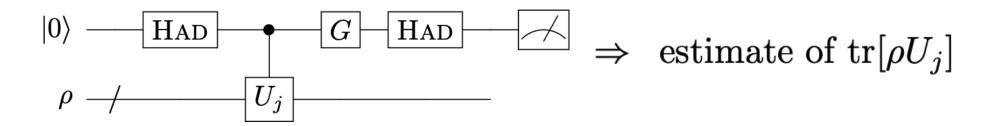


• Output: unbiased estimate of $Tr[\rho U]$ from

$$G = I \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbb{E}[X] = \operatorname{Re}(\operatorname{tr}[\rho U])$$
 $G = S^{\dagger} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbb{E}[X] = \operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{tr}[\rho U])$

Workhorse B: Importance sampling

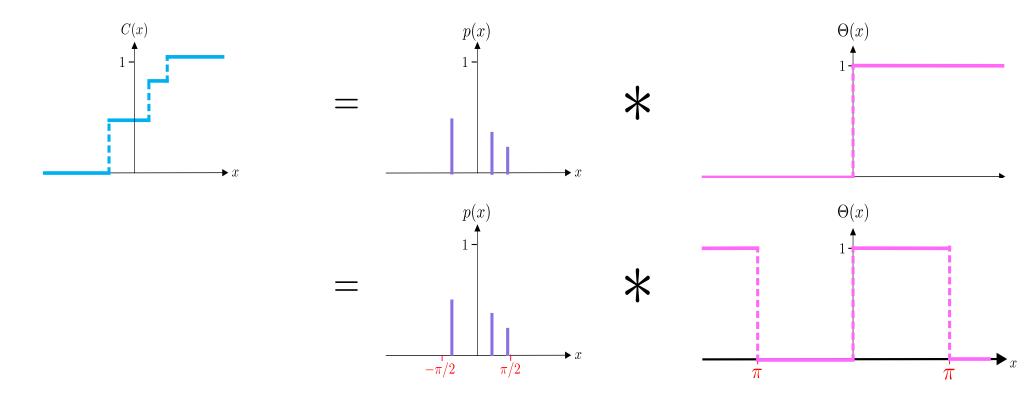
- Estimate linear combination $\sum_j a_j Tr[\rho U_j]$ for unitaries U_j with $a_j>0$ and normalization $A\coloneqq\sum_j a_j$
- Sample j with probability $a_j \cdot A^{-1}$ and perform Hadamard test on (ρ, U_j) :



- Take average of samples, number of required is $[A^2\sigma^{-2}]$ for variance $\sigma>0$
- Expected gate complexity becomes $A^{-1} \cdot \sum_{i} a_{i} COST(C U_{i})$

Towards quantum implementation of CDF

- Normalize Hamiltonian with $c \cdot ||H||_{\infty} \le c \cdot \lambda$ to put spectrum in $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2}\right]$
- CDF $C(x) \equiv Tr[\rho\Pi_{\leq x}] = (\Theta * p)(x)$ from convolution with Heaviside $\Theta(x)$:



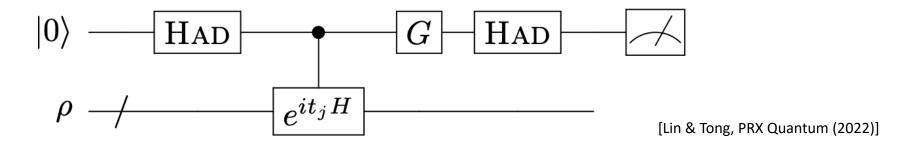
CDF via Fourier series

- Replace Heaviside $\Theta(x)$ by finite Fourier series $F(x) \coloneqq \sum_{j \in S} \widehat{F}_j e^{ijx}$
- Approximate CDF:

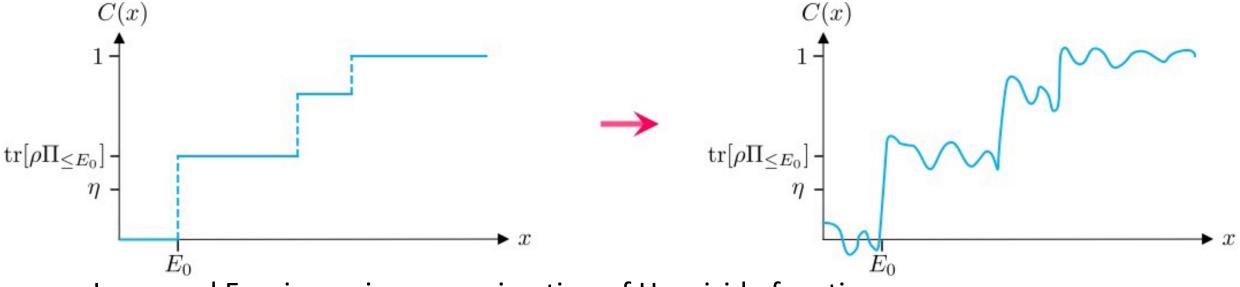
$$C(x) \approx (p * F)(x) = \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot Tr[\rho e^{it_j H}]$$

with runtimes $t_i = j \times \text{normalization}$

• Hadamard test + importance sampling + Hamiltonian simulation:



Fourier series lemma (Heaviside function)

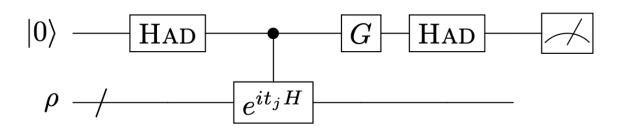


- Improved Fourier series approximation of Heaviside function
- Technical contribution:

Gate complexity for precision $\Delta > 0$ from $O(\Delta^{-2}\log^2(\Delta^{-1}))$ to $O(\Delta^{-2})$

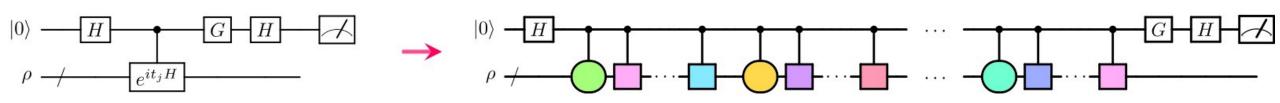
[Lin & Tong, PRX Quantum (2022)]

Hadamard test on Fourier series



$$C(x) \approx \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot Tr[\rho e^{it_j H}]$$

- Implement Hamiltonian simulation unitary $U_{\rm j}=e^{it_{
 m j}H}$ for $H=\sum_{l=1}^L lpha_l P_l$
- Independent of *L*? Technical contribution:



novel random compiler lemma (Hamiltonian simulation)

Versus previous random compiler: [Campbell, PRL (2019)]

Random compiler lemma (Hamiltonian simulation)

• For e^{itH} with $H = \sum_{l=1}^{L} \alpha_l P_l$, we give linear combination of unitaries (LCU) $e^{itH} =$

$$\sum_{k} b_{k} U_{k}$$
 such that:

$$I. \quad \mu(r) \coloneqq \sum_{k} b_{k} \le \exp(t^{2}r^{-1}) \qquad \qquad \rho \longrightarrow$$

$$|0\rangle$$
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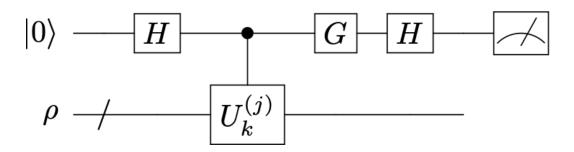
- II. $COST(C U_k) = r$ controlled single qubit Pauli rotations $\forall k$
- Gate complexity r versus sample complexity $\exp(t^2r^{-1})$

Versus previous LCU methods: [Berry et al., PRL (2015)]

- Example: $r = 2t^2 \rightarrow \mu \leq \sqrt{e}$ and $COST(C U_k) = 2t^2$
- Use this on: $C(x) \approx \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot Tr[\rho e^{it_j H}]$

Random compiler for CDF

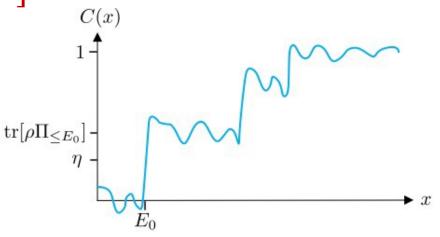
• CDF $C(x) \approx \sum_{j} \hat{F}_{j} e^{ijx} \cdot Tr \left[\rho e^{it_{j}H} \right]$ becomes $C(x) \approx \sum_{j} \sum_{k} \hat{F}_{j} e^{ijx} b_{k}^{(j)} Tr \left[\rho U_{k}^{(j)} \right]$



- $e^{it_jH} = \sum_k b_k^{(j)} U_k^{(j)}$ decomposition for runtime vector $\vec{r} = (r_j)_j \in \mathbb{N}^{|S|}$ as:
 - I. $\mu_j \coloneqq \mu_j(r) \coloneqq \sum_k b_k^{(j)} \le \exp(t_j^2 r_j^{-1})$
 - II. $COST\left(C U_k^{(j)}\right) = r_j$

Putting things together

- CDF decomposition $C(x) \approx \sum_{j} \sum_{k} \hat{F}_{j} e^{ijx} b_{k}^{(j)} Tr \left[\rho U_{k}^{(j)} \right]$ $C_{gate} = \left(\sum_{i \in S} |\hat{F}_{i}| \mu_{i} \right)^{-1} \cdot \left(\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_{j}| \mu_{j} r_{j} \right)$
- $C_{sample} \propto \left(\sum_{i \in s} |\hat{F}_i| \mu_i\right)^2$
- As $\mu_i \le e^{t_j^2 r_j^{-1}}$ choosing $r_i = 2t_i^2 \ \forall j$ gives $\mu_j \le \sqrt{e}$:



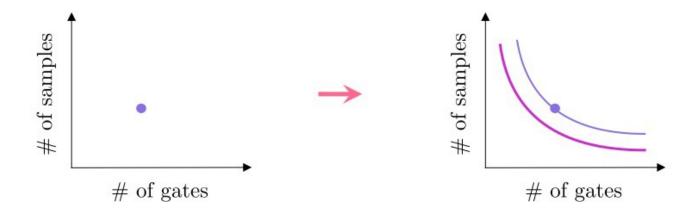
$$C_{gate} \propto \left(\sum_{i \in S} |\hat{F}_i|\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_j| j^2\right) \rightarrow C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2})$$

$$C_{sample} \propto \left(\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_j|\right)^2 \rightarrow C_{sample} = \tilde{O}(\eta^{-2})$$

Example systems

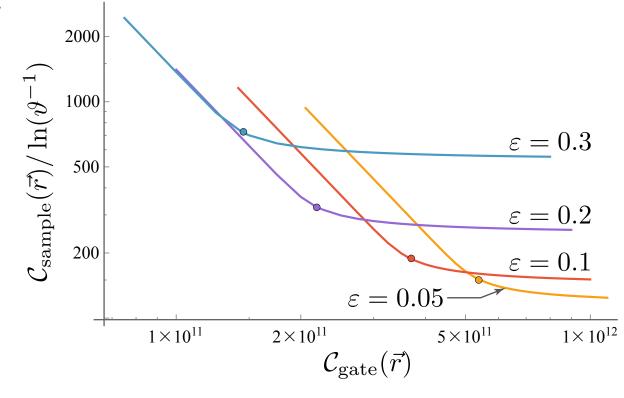
Finite size numerical analysis

- Asymptotic complexity from fixed runtime vector \vec{r} with $r_j = 2t_j^2 \ \forall j \in S$
- Optimize \vec{r} to minimize C_{gate} , C_{sample} , or $C_{gate} \cdot C_{sample}$ for different settings?
- High-dimensional optimization problem, technical contribution: approximate dimension reduction that allows for efficient classical pre-processing
- Leads to flexible resource trade-offs:



FeMoco benchmark

- Li et al. FeMoco Hamiltonian with 152 spin orbitals: 152+1=153 qubits
- Chemical accuracy $\Delta = 0.0016$ Hartree, one-norm $\lambda = 1511$
- Gate complexity in single-qubit Pauli rotations $e^{i\theta P_l}$
- T gate or Toffoli-gate complexity similar
- Qubitization using heuristic truncations: [Lee et al., PRX Quantum (2021)]



 $C_{gate} = 3.2 \cdot 10^{10}$ on 2196 qubits

Hydrogen chains benchmark

- For length N chain, one-norm estimate $\lambda \approx O(N^{1.34})$ [Koridon et al., PRR (2021)]
- Our work $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{2.68}\Delta^{-2})$
- Qubitization based approaches:
 - A. rigorous $C_{qate} = \tilde{O}(N^{3.34}\Delta^{-1})$
 - B. sparse method $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{2.3}\Delta^{-1})$ [Berry et al., Quantum (2019)]
 - C. tensor hypercontraction method $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{2.1}\Delta^{-1})$ [Lee et al., PRX Quantum (2021)]
- Extensive properties $\Delta \propto N$ interesting for our methods: $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{0.68})$

Conclusion

Recap main result

- Given: n-qubit Hamiltonian $H = \sum_{l=1}^{L} \alpha_l P_l$ with $\lambda = \sum_{l=1}^{L} |\alpha_l|$, plus ansatz state ρ with ground state overlap $\langle \varphi_0 | \rho | \varphi_0 \rangle \geq \eta > 0$
- Output: ground state energy estimate \tilde{E}_0 with $\left|\tilde{E}_0 E_0\right| \leq \Delta$
- Result: n+1 qubits, $C_{gate}=\tilde{O}(\lambda^2\Delta^{-2})$, $C_{sample}=\tilde{O}(\eta^{-2})$
- Advantages:
 - I. rigorous estimates
 - II. only depends on $\lambda \leq L$
 - III. only uses one ancilla
 - IV. flexible trade-off gate versus sample complexity
 - V. decrease error by solely taking more samples \rightarrow still state preparation bottleneck!

Extension: General matrix arithmetic

- General matrices A, instead of Hamiltonians H
- General functions f(x) such as, e.g., x^{-1} , instead of Heaviside $\theta(x)$
- Goal to outperform (probabilistic) classical methods with early fault-tolerance
- Quantum singular value transformation (QSVT): $||A||_F$ or $s(A) \cdot ||A||_{max}$ [Gilyen et al., STOC (2019)]
- Qubit-efficient randomized quantum algorithms for linear algebra, Wang, McArdle, B., arXiv:2302.01873 (2023)
 - A = $\sum_{l=1}^{L} \alpha_l P_l$ Paulis with $\lambda = \sum_{l=1}^{L} |\alpha_l|$, gives λ^2 complexity (input model!)
 - no QRAM needed

Thank you



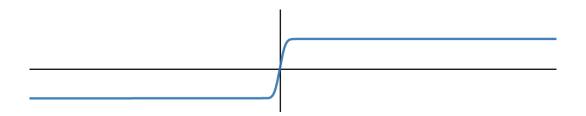
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Extra slides

Extra: Proof Fourier series lemma

Rigorous argument via truncated Chebyshev series of rescaled error function:

$$\operatorname{erf}(\beta y) = 2\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\beta y} e^{-t^2} dt \approx \sum_k c_k T_k(y)$$
 [Low & Chuang, arxiv:1707.05391 (2017)]



• Fourier series: $\Theta(x) \approx \text{erf}(\beta \sin(x)) \approx \sum_{k} c_k T_k \left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)\right)$

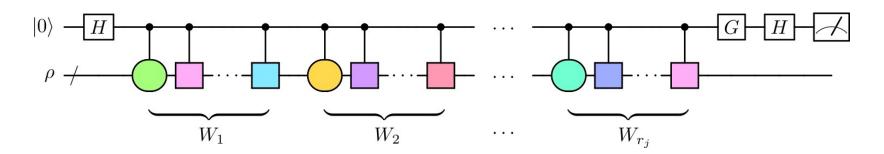
using
$$T_k(\cos(\cdot)) = \cos(k(\cdot))$$

Extra: Proof random compiler lemma

• For
$$H = \sum_{l=1}^{L} \alpha_l P_l$$
 and $r \in \mathbb{N}$: $e^{iHt} = \left(e^{iHtr^{-1}}\right)^r = (1 + itr^{-1}H + \cdots)^r$

$$1 + itr^{-1}H = \sum_{l=1}^{L} p_l (1 + itr^{-1}P_l) \propto \sum_{l=1}^{L} p_l e^{i\theta P_l} \text{ for } \theta = \arccos\left(\sqrt{1 + t^2r^{-2}}\right)$$

- Similarly handle higher order terms contain Paulis as well
- To sample U_k from $e^{iHt}=\sum_k b_k U_k$: independently sample r unitaries W_1,\ldots,W_r from decomposition of $e^{iHtr^{-1}}$ and implement product



Extra: qDRIFT comparison

[Campbell, PRL (2019)]

qDRIFT approximates quantum channel

$$\rho \mapsto e^{iHt} \rho e^{-iHt}$$
 for $H = \sum_{l=1}^{L} p_l P_l$ (normalized)

by sampling r Paulis P_{l_1} , ..., P_{l_r} independently with $\Pr[P_l] = p_l$ and putting

$$V \coloneqq e^{itr^{-1}P_{l_1}} \cdots e^{itr^{-1}P_{l_r}}$$

- ullet qDRIFT compilation error can only be suppressed by increasing gate count r
- Our random compiler: approximates unitary $U=e^{iHt}$ and compilation error can be suppressed arbitrarily by simply taking more samples