

Tensor network based quantum simulation with Yao.jl

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Yao.jl - a Julia package for quantum simulation

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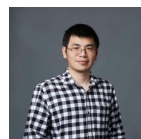


Yao.jl (幺 - means unitary)

- One of the first quantum simulators dedicated to **differentiable quantum simulation** (Luo et al., 2020).
- Simulation of variational quantum algorithms, e.g. quantum machine learning (Mitarai et al., 2018), variational quantum eigensolver (Tilly et al., 2022), quantum circuit Born machine (Liu & Wang, 2018) et al.
- Quantum control, e.g. design control pulses.



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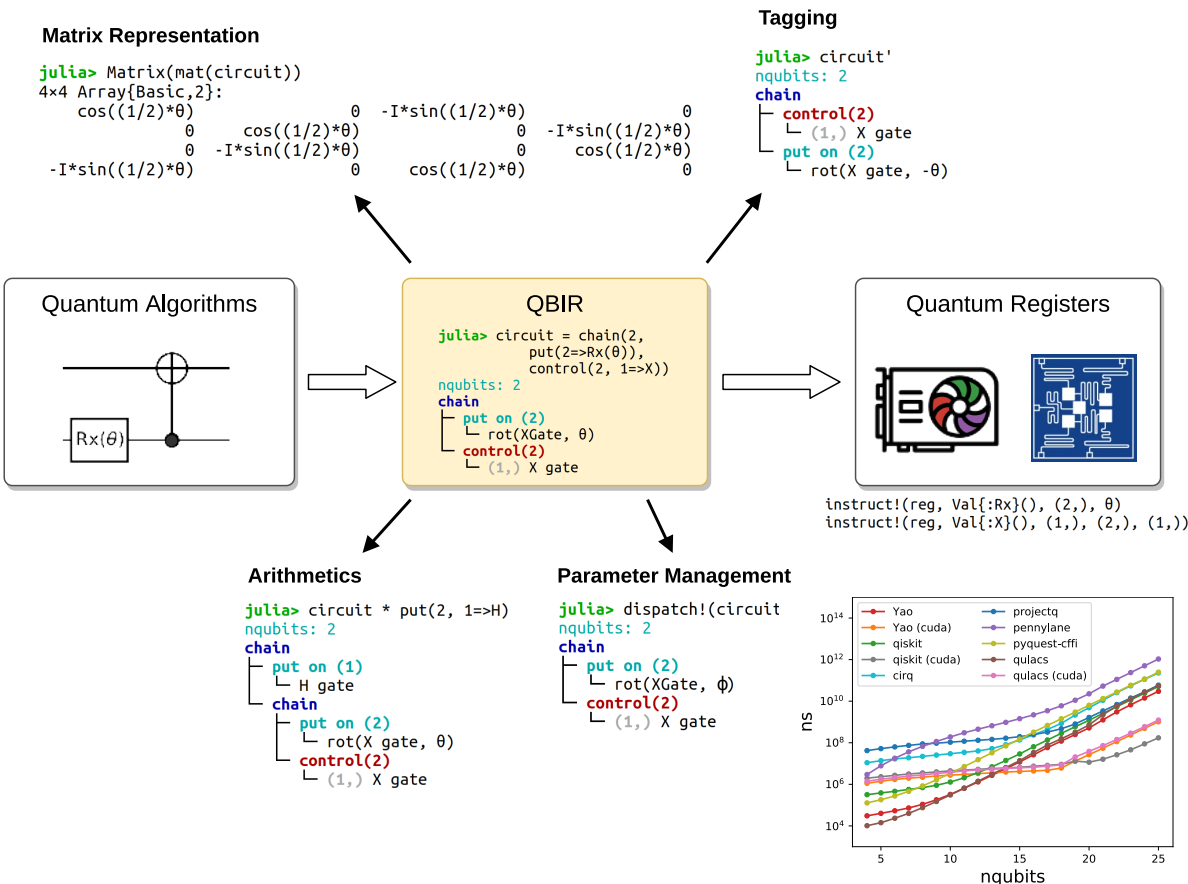
Jin-Guo Liu, Lei Wang and Pan Zhang @ 2018

Yao.jl features in v0.6

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Features in v0.6

- Differentiable quantum circuit
- Matrix representation
- Operator arithmetics
- State-of-the-art performance
- GPU backend



v0.6-v0.9, the updates

1. Bloqade.jl @ QuEraComputing

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[Bloqade.jl](#) is a package for the quantum computation and quantum simulation based on the neutral-atom architecture.

- Extended qubit to **qudit** simulation.
- Allows simulation in a **subspace** of the Hilbert space.

2. Classical benchmarking quantum circuits & Quantum error correction

- **Tensor network backend.**
- Basic noise channel and density matrix simulation.

3. Community packages include:

- [FLOYao.jl](#): A fermionic linear optics simulator backend for Yao.jl (Jan Lukas Bosse et al)
- [QAOA.jl](#): This package implements the Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm and the Mean-Field Approximate Optimization Algorithm.

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Finding the ground state of a Rydberg PXP chain.

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The Hamiltonian of a Rydberg PXP chain is given by

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^n P_{i-1} X_i P_{i+1}$$

where $P_i = |0\rangle_i \langle 0|_i$ is a projector to state $|0\rangle_i$, and X is the Pauli-X operator. Periodic boundary condition is applied, i.e. $0 = n$.

One line for solving the ground state

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```
julia> using Yao, KrylovKit

julia> @time eigsolve(mat(sum([kron(20, mod1(i-1, 20)=>ConstGate.P0, i=>X,
mod1(i+1, 20)=>ConstGate.P0) for i in 1:20])), 1, :SR; ishermitian=true);
5.259707 seconds (74.84 k allocations: 5.315 GiB, 18.48% gc time, 0.57%
compilation time)
```

- `KrylovKit.eigsolve(m, 1, :SR; ishermitian=true)` finds the lowest 1 eigenvalue and eigenvector of a Hermitian matrix m . `KrylovKit` is also the time evolution backend for Yao.
- `mat(op)` converts an operator to a sparse matrix.
- `kron(n, pairs...)` raises an operator to a larger Hilbert space,
- $P_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$

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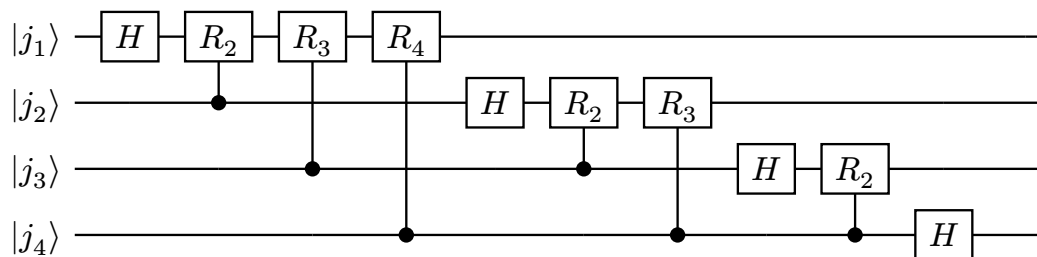
A minimum example

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- A product state $|j_1\rangle \otimes |j_2\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |j_n\rangle$ as input,
- Goes through a shallow quantum circuit, here we use a quantum Fourier transform (QFT) circuit
- Q: What is the expectation value of a given observable, e.g. a product of Pauli operators $P_1 \otimes P_2 \otimes \dots \otimes P_n$, where $P_i \in \{I, X, Y, Z\}$.

Step 1. Create the quantum Fourier transform (QFT) circuit.

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$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is a Hadamard gate, } CR_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{i\frac{\pi}{2^{k-1}}} \end{pmatrix} \text{ is a controlled phase gate.}$$

One line for creating a QFT circuit

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```
julia> qft = chain(4, chain(4, i==j ? put(i=>H) : control(4, i, j=>shift(2π/(2^(j-i+1)))) for j in 1:4) for i = 1:4)
```

- `chain(n, gates...)` creates a n -qubit circuit by concatenating the gates.
- `put(n, loc=>op)` raises an operator to an n -qubit Hilbert space.
- `control(n, ctrl_locs, target_loc=>op)` creates a controlled operator in an n -qubit Hilbert space.
- $\text{shift}(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\theta} \end{pmatrix}$ is a phase shift gate.

Step 2. Convert a quantum circuit to a tensor network

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$$\text{---} \boxed{H} \text{---} \Rightarrow \text{---} \bigcirc H \text{---} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

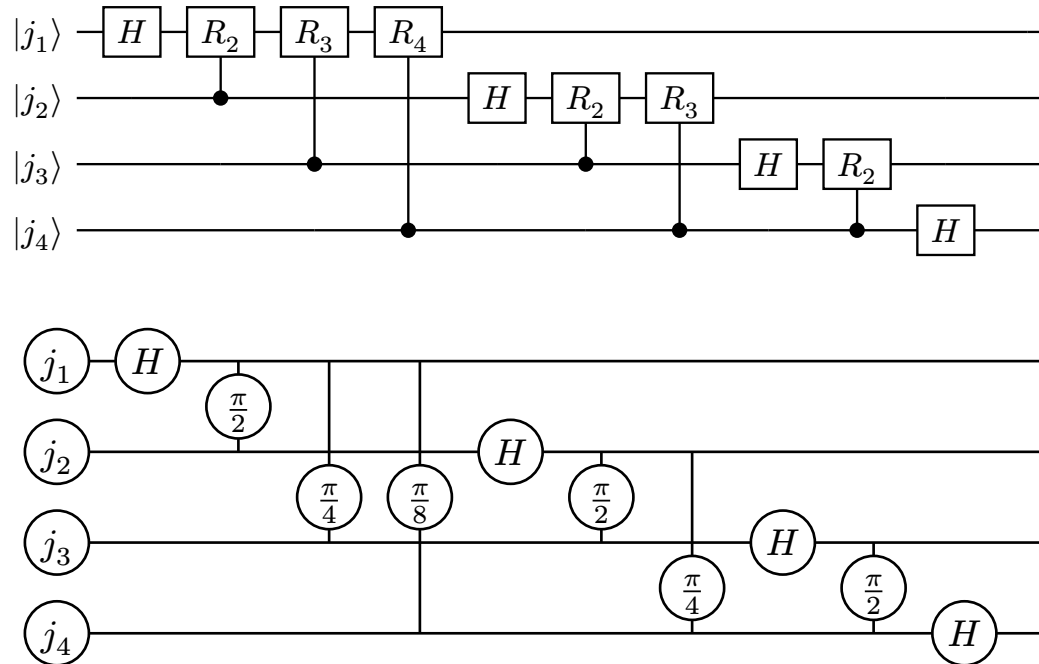
$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \bigcirc H \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \oplus \\ \text{---} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \bigcirc H \\ | \\ \bigcirc H \text{---} \bigcirc H \text{---} \end{array} \times \sqrt{2}$$

Note: \perp is a hyperedge (or delta tensor).

QFT tensor network

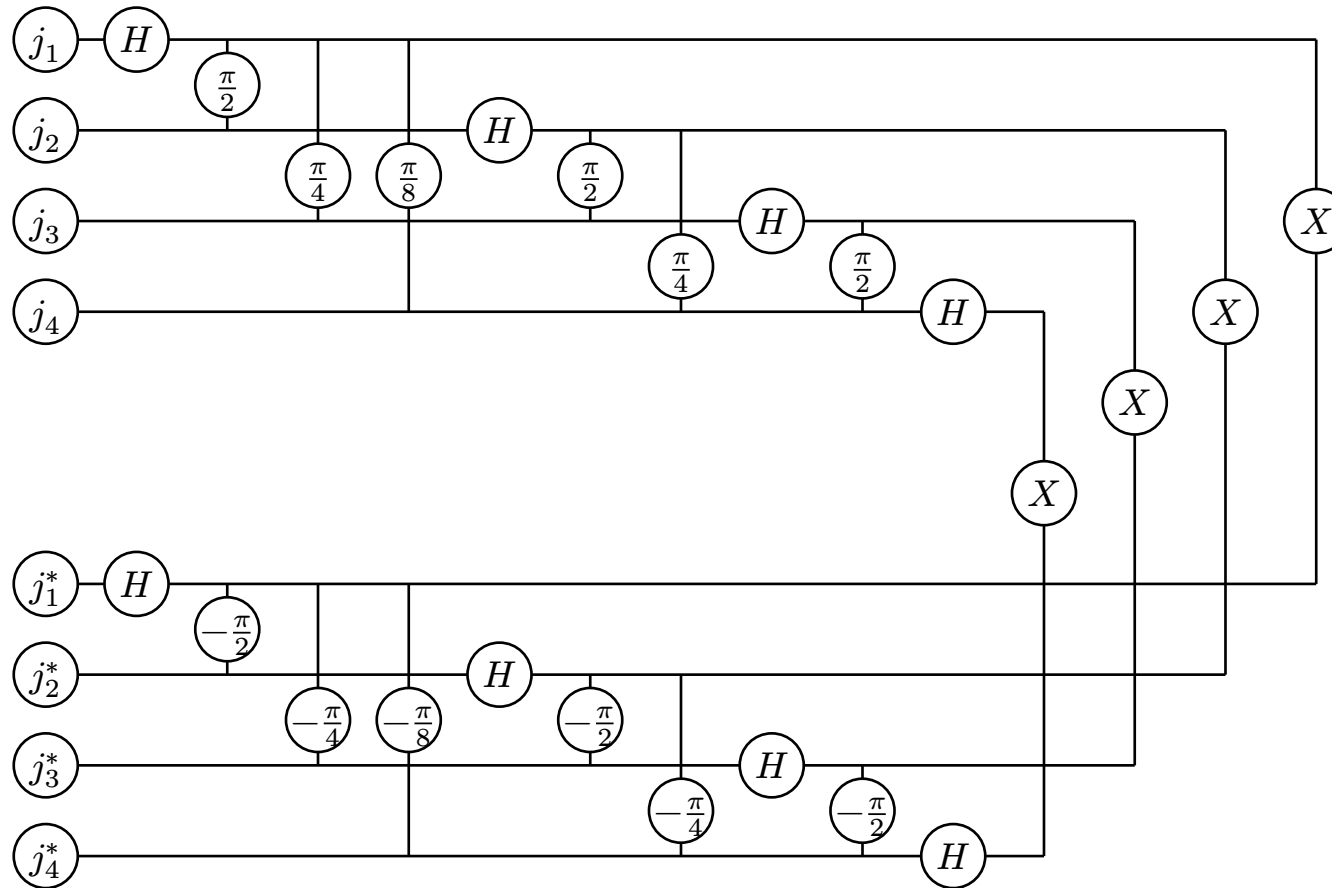
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where $\theta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & e^{i\theta} \end{pmatrix}$

The tensor network for the expectation value

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One line for creating a tensor network

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```
julia> qft_net = yao2einsum(chain(qft, chain(4, [put(4, i=>X) for i in 1:4])),  
qft'), initial_state = Dict([i=>zero_state(1) for i=1:4]), final_state =  
Dict([i=>zero_state(1) for i=1:4]), optimizer = TreeSA(nslices=2))  
TensorNetwork  
Time complexity: 2^9.10852445677817  
Space complexity: 2^2.0  
Read-write complexity: 2^10.199672344836365
```

- `yao2einsum(circuit; initial_state, final_state, optimizer)` maps a quantum circuit to a tensor network. Initial and final states are specified by a dictionary.
- `circuit'` is the adjoint of `circuit`.
- `TreeSA(; nslices)` is a heuristic contraction order optimizer with `nslices` slices.

Step 3: One line to contract a tensor network

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```
julia> contract(qft_net) # calculate <reg|qft' observable qft|reg>  
0-dimensional Array{ComplexF64, 0}:  
0.9999999999999993 + 0.0im
```

- `contract(tensor_network)`, use the `OMEinsum.jl` to contract the tensor network.
- Time complexity is the number of multiplications. Space complexity is the number of elements in the largest tensor. Read-write complexity is the number of reads and writes.

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Tensor network contraction is a sum of products

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Tensor network contraction \leftrightarrow sum of products of tensor elements

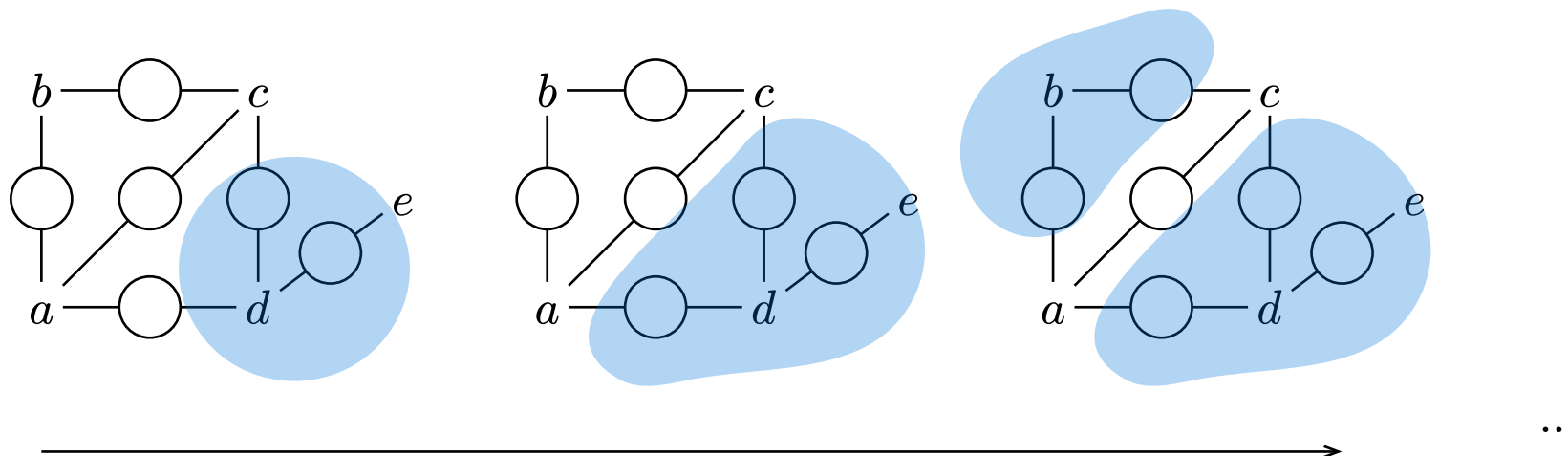
$$\text{contract} \left(\begin{array}{c} b \text{---} \textcircled{E} \text{---} c \\ | \quad \quad \quad | \\ \textcircled{A} \quad \textcircled{C} \quad \textcircled{D} \\ | \quad \diagup \quad | \\ a \text{---} \textcircled{B} \text{---} d \text{---} \textcircled{F} \text{---} e \end{array} \right) = \sum_{abcde} A_{ab} B_{ad} C_{ac} D_{cd} E_{bc} F_{de}$$

- Multiplication is commutative,
- Addition and multiplication are distributive.

Note: In this talk, tensor network = einsum
= sum-product network

Tensor network contraction order

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- Contraction is performed in pair-wise manner.
- The pair-wise contraction order determines the complexity (time, space, read-write).

The hardness of finding optimal contraction order

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NP-complete

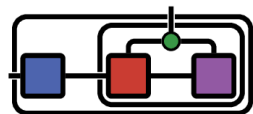
Theorem (Markov & Shi, 2008): Let C be a quantum circuit (tensor network) with T gates (tensors) and whose underlying circuit graph is G_C . Then C can be simulated deterministically in time $T^{O(1)} \exp[O(\text{tw}(G_C))]$.

Tree width (measures how similar a graph is to a tree, the smaller the more tree-like):

- Tree graphs and line graphs: 1
- $L \times L$ grid graph: $O(L)$
- n -vertex 3-regular graph: $\approx \frac{n}{6}$

Heuristic search for optimal contraction order

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OMEinsum.jl (GSoC 2019, 2024)

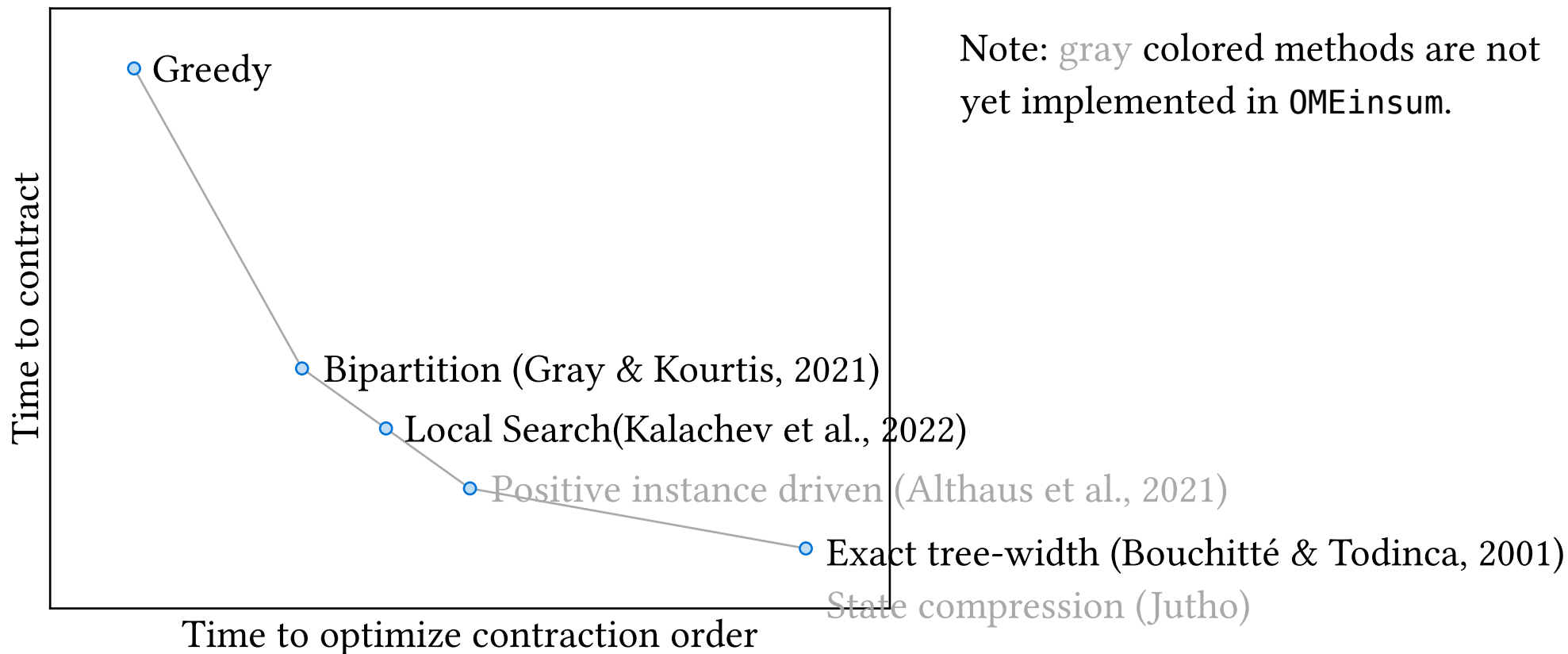
Can handle $> 10^4$ tensors!

- GreedyMethod: fast but not optimal
- ExactTreewidth: optimal but exponential time (Bouchitté & Todinca, 2001)
- TreeSA: heuristic local search, close to optimal, **slicing** supported (Kalachev et al., 2022)
- KaHyParBipartite and SABipartite: min-cut based bipartition, better heuristic for extremely large tensor networks (Gray & Kourtis, 2021)

Check the blog post for more details: <https://arrogantgao.github.io/blogs/contractionorder/>

Heuristic search for optimal contraction order

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Pros and cons

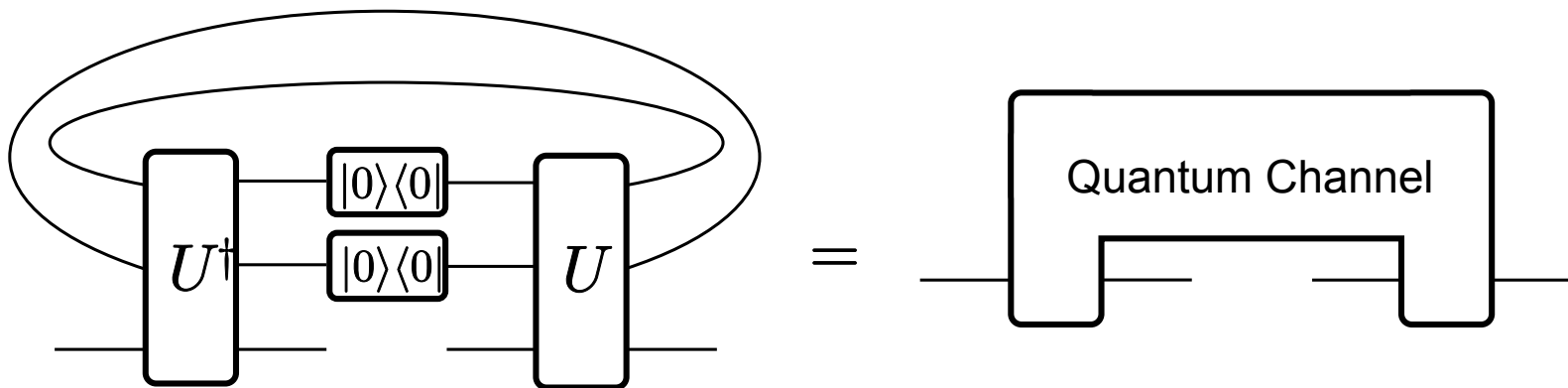
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- Suited for **shallow** quantum circuit simulation, e.g. solving the sampling problem of the sycamore quantum circuits (53 qubits) (Pan et al., 2022)
- Can handle common tasks, such as **sampling** and **obtaining expectation values**.
- Can easily generalize the noisy quantum systems (Gao et al., 2024).
- For general circuits, the simulation is still exponentially hard.

Example application: Quantum error correction

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Using tensor network as the simulation backend for studying **coherent errors**(Ni et al., 2024).



Summary

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Yao.jl: a utility for quantum onliners.

- Yao paper: (Luo et al., 2020)
- GitHub repo: Yao.jl



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Collaborators



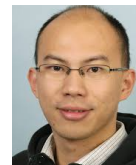
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