Quantum Applications — image processing

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How can we represent an image using qubits?

θ_0 , $ 00\rangle$	$\theta_1, 01\rangle$
$\theta_2, 10\rangle$	$\theta_3, 11\rangle$

$$|I\rangle = \frac{1}{2} [(\cos \theta_0 |0\rangle + \sin \theta_0 |1\rangle) \otimes |00\rangle$$

$$+ (\cos \theta_1 |0\rangle + \sin \theta_1 |1\rangle) \otimes |01\rangle$$

$$+ (\cos \theta_2 |0\rangle + \sin \theta_2 |1\rangle) \otimes |10\rangle$$

$$+ (\cos \theta_3 |0\rangle + \sin \theta_3 |1\rangle) \otimes |11\rangle]$$

n qubits for an $n \times n$ image

Flexible Representation of Quantum Images

$$|I(\theta)\rangle = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{i=0}^{2^{2n}-1} \left(\cos \theta_i \mid 0\rangle + \sin \theta_i \mid 1\rangle\right) \otimes |i\rangle$$

$$\theta_i \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right], i = 0, 1, \dots, 2^{2n} - 1$$

- color information encoding: $\cos \theta_i | 0 \rangle + \sin \theta_i | 1 \rangle$
- associated pixel position encoding: $|i\rangle$

Building the FRQI State

. Initialization:
$$|H\rangle = \frac{1}{2^n} |0\rangle \otimes \sum_{i=0}^{2^{2n}-1} |i\rangle = \mathcal{H}\left(|0\rangle^{\otimes 2n+1}\right)$$

. Transformation into FRQI state
$$\mathcal{R}\,|H\rangle=\left(\prod_{i=0}^{2^{2n}-1}R_i\right)|H\rangle=|I(\theta)\rangle$$

where

$$\begin{split} R_i &= \left(I \otimes \sum_{j=0, j \neq i}^{2^{2n}-1} |j\rangle\langle j|\right) + R_y\left(2\theta_i\right) \otimes |i\rangle\langle i| \text{ and } \\ R_y(2\theta_i) &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_i & -\sin\theta_i \\ \sin\theta_i & \cos\theta_i \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

Novel Enhanced Quantum Representation

- Quadratic speedup of the time complexity to prepare the NEQR quantum image
- Optimal image compression ratio of up to 1.5×
- Accurate image retrieval after measurement, as opposed to probabilistic as FRQI
- Complex color and many other operations can be achieved

Considering an image as a bit string —

- Binary Image: 1 bit representing 0=black, and 1=white
- Grayscale Image: 8 bits representing the various shades of gray intensity values between 0 (black) and 255 (white).
- Color Image: 24 bits, are broken up into 3 groups of 8 bits, where each group of 8 bits represents the Red, Green, and Blue intensities of the pixel color.

2x2 image again

position	binary string	grayscale intensity
00>	00000000	0 - Black
01>	01100100⟩	100 – Darkshade
10>	11001000>	200 – Lightshade
11>	11111111	255 – White

$$f(Y,X) = C_{YX}^{0}, C_{YX}^{1}, \dots C_{YX}^{q-2}, C_{YX}^{q-1} \in [0,1], f(Y,X) \in [0,2^{q-1}]$$

$$|I\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n}} \sum_{Y=0}^{2^{2n-1}} \sum_{X=0}^{2^{2n-1}} |f(Y,X)\rangle |YX\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{n}} \sum_{Y=0}^{2^{2n-1}} \sum_{X=0}^{2^{2n-1}} |\otimes_{i=0}^{q-1}\rangle |C_{YX}^{i}\rangle |YX\rangle$$

$$f(1,0) = \overline{C_{10}^0}, C_{10}^1, C_{10}^2, \overline{C_{10}^3}, \overline{C_{10}^4}, C_{10}^5, \overline{C_{10}^6}, \overline{C_{10}^7} = 01100100 = 100$$

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n + log(colors) qubits for an $n \times n$ image

Quantum Probability Image Encoding (QPIE)

$$|\operatorname{Img}\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{2^{n}-1} c_{i} | i \rangle$$

$$c_{i} = \frac{I_{yx}}{\sqrt{\sum I_{yx}^{2}}}$$

$$|\operatorname{Img}\rangle = c_{0} |00\rangle + c_{1} |01\rangle + c_{2} |10\rangle + c_{3} |11\rangle$$

Quantum Hadamard Edge Detection (QHED)

Hadamard gate

$$|0\rangle \rightarrow \frac{(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|1\rangle \rightarrow \frac{(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\operatorname{Img}\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} c_i |i\rangle$$

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$$(I_{2^{n-1}} \otimes H_0) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ \vdots \\ c_{N-2} \\ c_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 + c_1 \\ c_0 - c_1 \\ c_2 + c_3 \\ c_2 - c_3 \\ \vdots \\ c_{N-2} + c_{N-1} \\ c_{N-2} - c_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- We now have access to the gradient between the pixel intensities of neighboring pixels in the form of $(c_i c_{i+1})$
- Detection of horizontal boundaries between the even-pixels-pairs

QHED (with an auxiliary qubit)

Adding an additional qubit

$$|\operatorname{Img}\rangle \otimes \frac{(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{N-2} \\ c_{N-2} \\ c_{N-1} \\ c_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Amplitude permutation unitary to transform the amplitudes into a structure which will make it easier to calculate the image gradients further ahead

$$D_{2^{n+1}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

QHED (with an auxiliary qubit) (cont.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ \vdots \\ c_{N-2} \\ c_{N-1} \\ c_0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_0 + c_1 \\ c_0 - c_1 \\ c_1 + c_2 \\ c_1 - c_2 \\ c_2 + c_3 \\ c_2 - c_3 \\ \vdots \\ c_{N-2} + c_{N-1} \\ c_{N-1} + c_0 \\ c_{N-1} - c_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• measuring this state conditioned on the auxiliary qubit being in state $|1\rangle$, we will get the resultant horizontal gradient values (c_i-c_{i+1}) for all possible pairs of adjacent qubits.

Assignment Q1

- Question 1 Assume we apply the **CNOT** gate to states ψ . So the transformation can be expressed as $\text{CNOT} | \psi \rangle = x | \psi \rangle$
- Please write a qiskit program in the cell below and evaluate the eigenvalue.

Assignment Q2

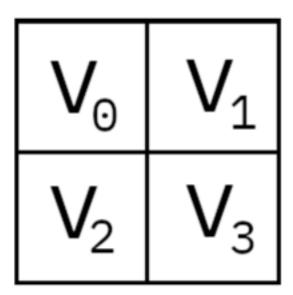
- We want to create a quantum circuit that solves a 2×2 binary sudoku. The 2×2 binary sudoku problem has two simple rules:
 - No column may contain the same value twice
 - No row may contain the same value twice
- If we assign each square in our sudoku to a variable like so:

V _o	V_1
V_2	V_3

we want our circuit to output a solution to this sudoku.

Thinking process of Q2

- We need to check the followings
 - v0 ≠ v1 # check along top row
 - v2 ≠ v3 # check along bottom row
 - v0 ≠ v2 # check down left column
 - v1 ≠ v3 # check down right column
- How to check? XOR gate in digital circuit CNOTs in QC!
- All must be 1 if the initial assignments passed!



Assignment Q3

 Implementing a Bernstein-Vazirani Algorithm that contains `11101101` as the secret string.

Paper presentations

- Assignment #1 due this evening
- 3/11/2025 Haotian Lu Hanrui Wang, Zirui Li, Jiaqi Gu, Yongshan Ding, David Z. Pan, and Song Han. OC: quantum on-chip training with parameter shift and gradient pruning. In the 59th ACM/IEEE Design Automation Conference (DAC '22)
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 - Quantum compilers
 - Quantum architectures/memory

Candidates to be claimed

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 Quantum Compiler for Reconfigurable Neutral Atom Arraysy. ISCA 2024
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