Operator Module API

Unitary operators can be constructed via the operator module.

In FQAM, for now, all operators are specified by their outer product representation in the following manner:

$$\sqrt{\mathbf{NOT}} = \begin{cases} U_{00} := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle \langle 0| \\ U_{01} := \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} |0\rangle \langle 1| \\ U_{10} := \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle \langle 0| \\ U_{11} := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle \langle 1| \end{cases}$$

Which corresponds to the following in the codebase:

FQAM_Operator_add_term(FQAM_op *operator, Complex alpha, FQAM_op *op_term);

Args:

- FQAM_op *operator: A pointer to an operator object to add to.
- Complex alpha: Complex scalar coefficient.
- FQAM_op op_term: Operator object representing the term.

Example:

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FQAM_Operator_add_term(FQAM_op operator, 1/sqrt(2), |0><0|); FQAM_Operator_add_term(FQAM_op operator, i/sqrt(2), |1><0|); FQAM_Operator_add_term(FQAM_op operator, i/sqrt(2), |0><1|); FQAM_Operator_add_term(FQAM_op operator, 1/sqrt(2), |1><1|); where each |0\rangle and |1\rangle are part of some orthonormal basis.
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Aside:

In general, I am not too sure yet about the theory of operator decomposition, but in the future, I would like to be able to add functionality such that any unitary operator A can be specified in terms of a decomposition of other operators. The outer product case above can be thought of as a special case of this.

More formally, the user should be able to define an operator A like so:

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i P_i$$
, where P_i is an operator

Generating Orthonormal Basis

An orthonormal basis in Hilbert space \mathbb{C}^2 is parameterized by:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sin(\theta) \\ -\cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Hence in the code base one can generate any

FQAM_Operator_outer_product (FQAM_Op *op, int theta);

Args:

- int theta: Angle in [0, 2pi].