

1 Various Questions

- 1.1 Assume that one qubit technology (A) has four hundred thousand (400000) times shorter coherence time than qubit technology (B). Technology A also has eighty (80) times shorter average gate time than technology (B). Derive an expression for the relative circuit depth between technology A and B. Present all your calculations. (3 p)
- 1.2 Discuss the role of High Performance Computers in the compilation tool chain for quantum computers. For what optimization passes would it make sense to use high performance resources? (2 p)
- 1.3 What impact can the quantum control hardware have on gate fidelity? (4 p)
- 1.4 Explain how a compiler could improve the measurement noise of a quantum circuit. (4 p)
- 1.5 Explain why input state preparation, where many qubits are entangled, is difficult in the NISQ era. (3 p)

2 Compilers

- 2.1 Consider the simple grammar:

$\langle id \rangle ::= [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]^*$

$\langle int \rangle ::= [0-9]^+$

$\langle function \rangle ::= \langle id \rangle \mid \langle function \rangle \circ \langle function \rangle$

$\langle exp \rangle ::= \langle int \rangle \mid \langle id \rangle \mid \langle exp \rangle * \langle exp \rangle \mid \langle exp \rangle + \langle exp \rangle \mid \langle function \rangle \langle exp \rangle \mid (\langle exp \rangle)$

Rewrite the grammar to resolve ambiguity in the following way:

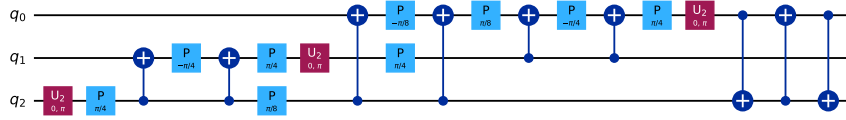
- All binary operators and function application should be left-associative.
- Function composition ‘o’ should be right-associative.
- The precedence order from tightest to weakest binding should be:
o > function application > * > +.

Explain how the revisions resolve the ambiguity in the original grammar in the desired way. (3 p)

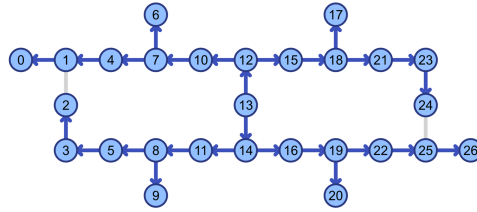
- 2.2 Derive the syntax tree for the expression “f o g(a * b * c + g 3*2)” using your disambiguated grammar. Show the intermediate steps. (4 p)
- 2.3 Which parts of the syntax tree would be ambiguous in the original grammar? Show that the syntax tree obeys the desired associativity and precedence rules. (2 p)

3 Quantum Transformations

Consider the following quantum circuit, which implements a 3-qubit quantum Fourier transform (QFT_3):



Assume the program has been allocated Qubits 0, 1, and 4 on the IBM Falcon R4¹ architecture shown below:



You are now to apply program transformations needed to execute the QFT_3 program on the allocated physical sub-architecture. Notice that the topology is directional, i.e., a CNOT with control p_i and target p_j is allowed only if there is a directed edge from p_i to p_j .

- 3.1 Make an initial assignment of logical qubits q_1, q_2, q_3 to physical qubits p_0, p_1, p_4 that allows the first two CNOT operations to be performed directly. (2 p)
- 3.2 Insert appropriate SWAP operations to allow the full program to execute, and draw the resulting circuit. Is the number of SWAP operations minimal? (4 p)
- 3.3 Now implement the SWAP operations with CNOTs that comply with the directionality of the architecture by using Hadamard gates. Draw the resulting circuit. (3 p)

¹Image from: <https://www.ibm.com/quantum/blog/whole-device-entanglement>