

Quantum circuit simulation with tensor network contraction

In this tutorial, we use [Yao.jl](#) as our default quantum simulation tool.

```
1 # check the current environment
2 using Pkg; Pkg.activate("../..") ; Pkg.status()
```



```
Activating project at `~/jcode/tutorial-tensornetwork`
Status `~/jcode/tutorial-tensornetwork/Project.toml`
[6e4b80f9] BenchmarkTools v1.6.0
[1f49bdf2] LuxorGraphPlot v0.5.1
[ebe7aa44] OMEinsum v0.9.2
[c3e4b0f8] Pluto v0.20.16
[7f904dfe] PlutoUI v0.7.70
[123dc426] SymEngine v0.12.0
[0500ac79] TensorQEC v2.1.1 `~/julia/dev/TensorQEC`
[5872b779] Yao v0.9.2
[9b173c7b] YaoToEinsum v0.2.8 `~/julia/dev/Yao/lib/YaoToEinsum`
[37e2e46d] LinearAlgebra v1.11.0
[9a3f8284] Random v1.11.0
```



```
1 # 'Yao' is a quantum simulator
2 # 'OMEinsum' is a tensor network contraction engine
3 # 'PlutoUI' is for control gadgets, e.g. the checkboxes
4 using Yao, OMEinsum, PlutoUI
```

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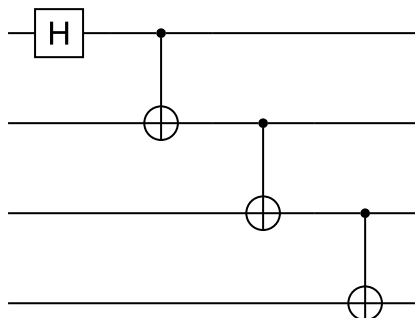
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1 PlutoUI.TableOfContents(aside=false)
```

Example 1: GHZ state generation circuit

Let us first define a GHZ state.

ghz_circuit (generic function with 1 method)

```
1 # chain: connect the component gates
2 # put(n, k=>G): place gate G at location k of a n qubits system.
3 # control(n, c, k=>G): place controlled gate G at location k, c is the control qubit
4 ghz_circuit(n) = chain(put(n, 1=>H), [control(n, i-1, i=>X) for i=2:n]...)
```



```
1 vizcircuit(ghz_circuit(4))
```

```
net_ghz = TensorNetwork
          Time complexity: 2^5.807354922057604
          Space complexity: 2^4.0
          Read-write complexity: 2^7.044394119358453
```

```
1 # 1st argument is a Yao circuit
2 # 'initial_state' takes a dictionary
3 # 'final_state' is left unspecified
4 net_ghz = yao2einsum(ghz_circuit(4);
5                     initial_state= Dict(zip(1:4, zeros(Int,4))),
6                     optimizer = TreeSA(ntrials=1) # contraction order optimizer
7 )
```

The tensor network contraction is represented as a binary tree. It contains both the tensor network topology and an optimized contraction order.

```
8◦6◦7, 6◦5 -> 5◦6◦7◦8
├── 8◦7◦4, 7◦6◦3 -> 8◦6◦7
│   ├── 4, 8◦4◦7 -> 8◦7◦4
│   │   ├── 4
│   │   └── 8◦4◦7
│   ├── 3, 7◦3◦6 -> 7◦6◦3
│   │   ├── 3
│   │   └── 7◦3◦6
│   └── 5◦1, 6◦5◦2 -> 6◦5
│       ├── 1, 5◦1 -> 5◦1
│       │   ├── 1
│       │   └── 5◦1
│       └── 2, 6◦2◦5 -> 6◦5◦2
│           ├── 2
│           └── 6◦2◦5
```

```
1 net_ghz.code # contraction code in (nested) einsum notation
```

```
► (:code, :tensors, :label_to_qubit)
```

```
1 fieldnames(typeof(net_ghz))
```

```
► [[3], [1], [4], [2], [5, 1], [6, 2, 5], [7, 3, 6], [8, 4, 7]]
```

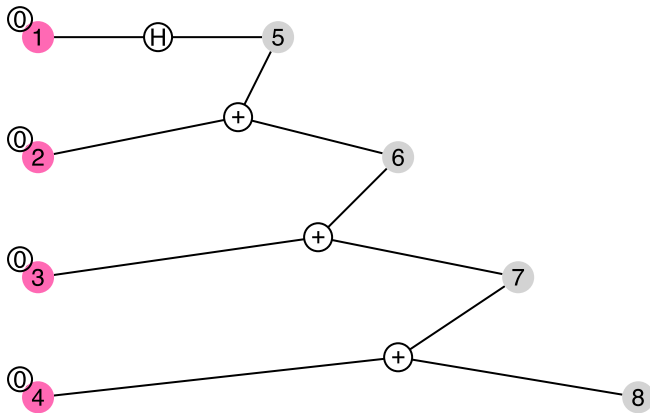
```
1 OMEinsum.getixsv(net_ghz.code) # input tensor labels
```

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```
1 length(net_ghz.tensors) # input tensor data
```

```
► [5, 6, 7, 8]
```

```
1 OMEinsum.getiyv(net_ghz.code) # open indices
```



```
1 # red/gray nodes are variables/open variables, transparent nodes are tensors
2 # 0 tensor is defined as: [1, 0]
3 # + tensor is the XOR gate
4 viznet(net_ghz; scale=60)
```

Time complexity: $2^{5.807354922057604}$

Space complexity: $2^{4.0}$

Read-write complexity: $2^{7.044394119358453}$

```
1 # Time complexity: number of arithmetic operations
2 # Space complexity: number of elements in the largest tensor
3 # Read-write complexity: number of elemental read-write operations
4 contraction_complexity(net_ghz)
```

2x2x2x2 Array{ComplexF64, 4}:

```
[:, :, 1, 1] =
 0.707107+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
 0.0+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
```

```
[:, :, 2, 1] =
 0.0+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
 0.0+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
```

```
[:, :, 1, 2] =
 0.0+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
 0.0+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
```

```
[:, :, 2, 2] =
 0.0+0.0im  0.0+0.0im
 0.0+0.0im  0.707107+0.0im
```

```
1 contract(net_ghz)
```

Example 2: Simulate quantum supremacy experiments

In this example, we will load the quantum supremacy circuit from the disk, and compute probability of having state $|0\rangle$ by computing $\langle 0|U|0\rangle$, where U is the quantum circuit of interest.

Step 1: circuit loading

Some popular shallow quantum circuits are placed in the `data` folder, they are from [qflex](#) (Ref. [qflex](#) datasets, check bottom). To load the circuits to Yao, please use the `YaoCircuitReader` module provided in file `reader.jl`:

```
1 # circuit reader
2 include("reader.jl"); using .YaoCircuitReader: yaocircuit_from_file
```

```
▶ ["bristlecone_48_1-16-1_0.txt", "bristlecone_48_1-20-1_0.txt", "bristlecone_48_1-24-1_0.tx
```

```
1 # check available circuits
2 readdir(joinpath(@__DIR__, "data", "circuits"))
```

We load the circuit to Julia with [Yao](#) (幺), a high performance quantum simulator.

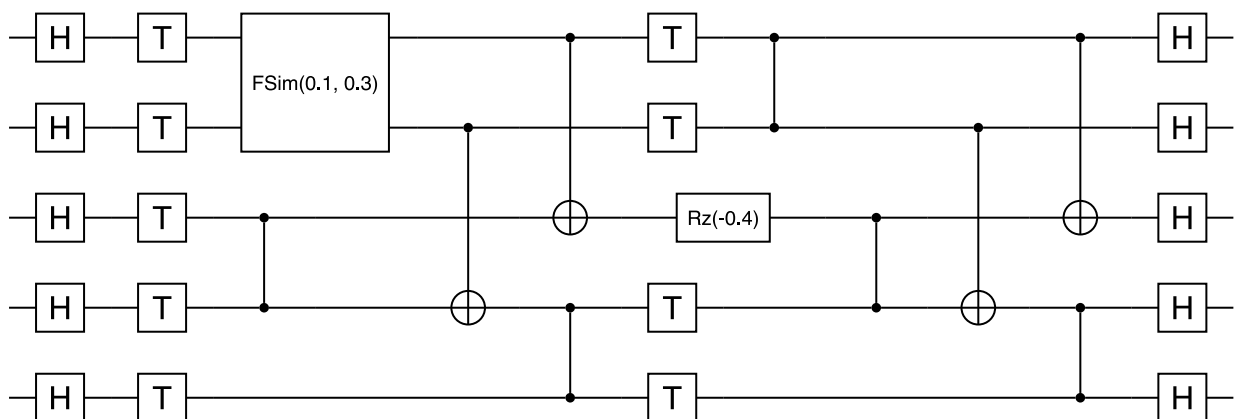
```
filename =
"/Users/liujinguo/jcode/tutorial-tensornetwork/examples/simulation/data/circuits/test.txt"

1 # Hint: please try replacing "test.txt" with "bristlecone_70_1-12-1_0.txt", a circuit
  with 70 qubits, 12 layers, see what happens
2 filename = joinpath(@__DIR__, "data", "circuits", "test.txt")
```

```
1 c = yaocircuit_from_file(filename); # circuit in Yao's data-format
```

```
n = 5
```

```
1 n = nqubits(c) # number of qubits
```



```
1 vizcircuit(c)
```

Step 2: construct tensor network

During the conversion, we also specify an optimizer to specify the contraction order.

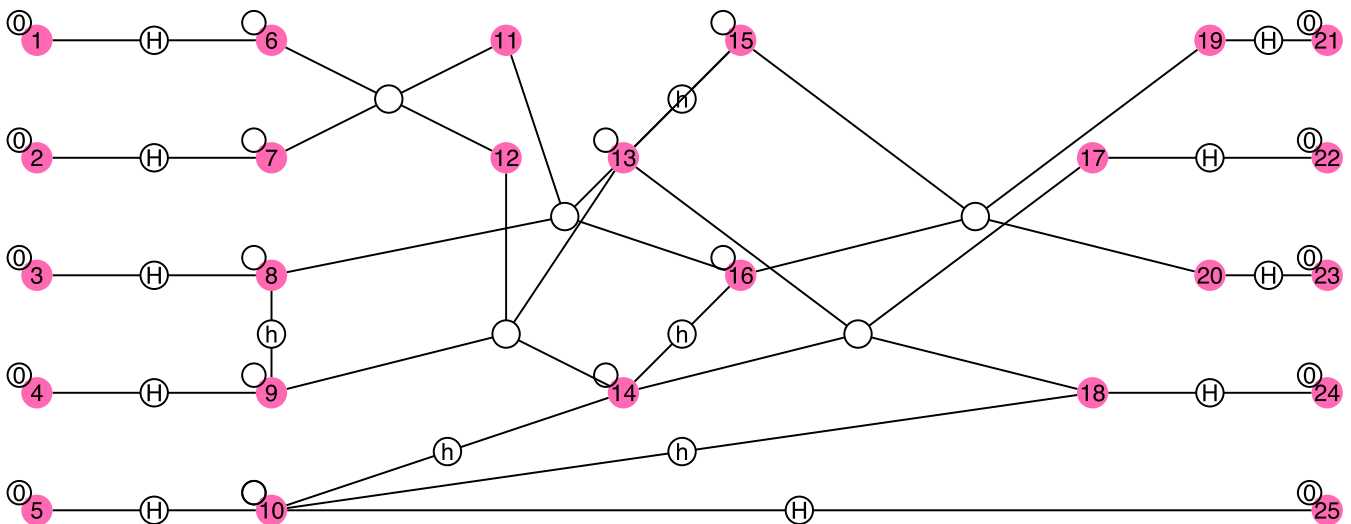
```
net = TensorNetwork
    Time complexity: 2^8.507794640198695
    Space complexity: 2^4.0
    Read-write complexity: 2^9.38586240064146

1 net = yao2einsum(c;
2     initial_state= Dict(zip(1:n, zeros(Int,n))),
3     final_state = Dict(zip(1:n, zeros(Int,n))),
4     optimizer = TreeSA(ntrials=1) # contraction order optimizer
5 )
```

```
Time complexity: 2^8.507794640198695
Space complexity: 2^4.0
Read-write complexity: 2^9.38586240064146
```

```
1 contraction_complexity(net)
```

```
1 using LuxorGraphPlot # Required by visualization extension
```



```
1 # red nodes are variables, transparent nodes are tensors
2 # h = [1 1; 1 -1] is the unnormalized version of Hadamard gate
3 # 0 tensor is defined as: [1, 0]
4 viznet(net; scale=60)
```

The space complexity is the number of elements in the largest intermediate tensor. For tensor network backend, it can be a much smaller number compared with the full amplitude simulation given the circuit is shallow enough. Learn more about contraction order optimizers:

<https://tensorbfs.github.io/OMEinsumContractionOrders.jl/dev/optimizers/>

Step 3: contract the tensor network

If your circuit has space complexity less than 28, the tensor network is probably contractable on your local device. Then please go ahead to check the following box.

contract_network = ☒

```
-0.044451061508327686 + 0.22238551357722364im
```

```
1 contract_network && contract(net)[]
```

The result should be consistent with the exact simulation.

```
exact_simulate = ☒
```

```
-0.04445106150832767 - 0.2223855135772237im
```

```
1 exact_simulate && apply(zero_state(n), c)' * zero_state(n)
```

Example 3: Construct tensor network for computing observables (channel simulation)

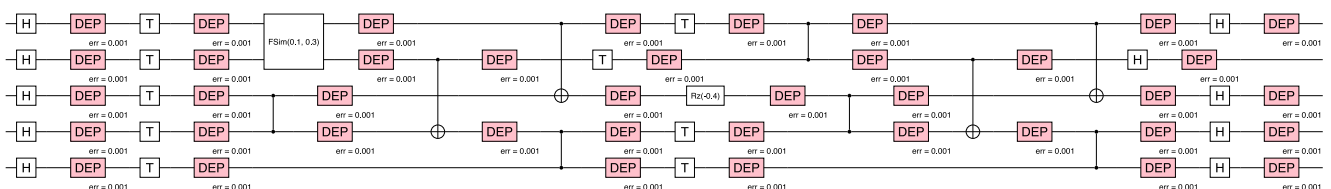
In this example, we show how to compute $\langle \psi | X_1 X_2 | \psi \rangle$ through quantum channel simulation, where $|\psi\rangle = U|0\rangle$, where U is the quantum circuit with interest. During the conversion, we also specify an optimizer to specify the contraction order.

add_depolarizing_noise (generic function with 1 method)

```
1 # add depolarizing noise
2 function add_depolarizing_noise(c::AbstractBlock, depolarizing)
3     Optimise.replace_block(c) do blk
4         if blk isa PutBlock || blk isa ControlBlock
5             rep = chain(blk)
6             for loc in occupied_locs(blk)
7                 push!(rep, put(nqubits(blk), loc=>DepolarizingChannel(1,
8                     depolarizing)))
9             end
10            return rep
11        else
12            return blk
13        end
14    end
```

Hint: please change the noise probability see how the result change with it.

```
1 noisy_c = add_depolarizing_noise(c, 0.001);
```



```
1 vizcircuit(noisy_c)
```

```
observable = nqubits: 5
              kron
              └ =>Z
                =>Z
```

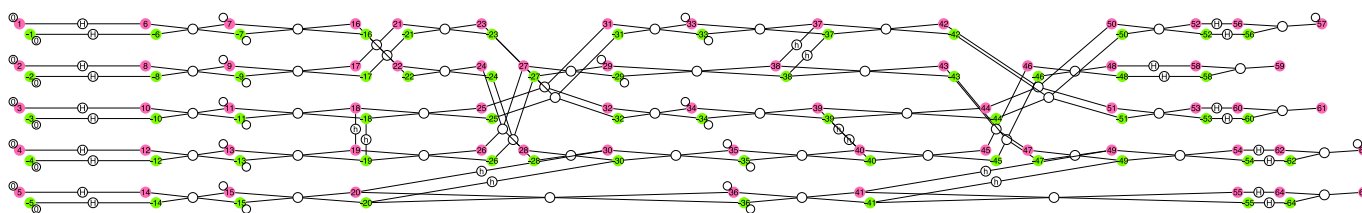
```
1 observable = kron(n, 1=>Z, 4=>Z)
```

```
noisy_net = TensorNetwork
Time complexity: 2^13.026177596889228
Space complexity: 2^8.0
Read-write complexity: 2^12.595490606607642
```

```
1 noisy_net = yao2einsum(noisy_c;
2                       initial_state=Dict(zip(1:n, zeros(Int,n))),
3                       observable,
4                       optimizer = TreeSA(ntrials=1),
5                       mode=DensityMatrixMode())
```

```
Time complexity: 2^13.026177596889228
Space complexity: 2^8.0
Read-write complexity: 2^12.595490606607642
```

```
1 contraction_complexity(noisy_net)
```



```
1 # the green dots are dual variables
2 viznet(noisy_net; scale=60)
```

contract_noisy = ☒

```
0-dimensional Array{ComplexF64, 0}:
0.4464601777319245 + 3.9217142730709714e-18im
```

```
1 contract_noisy && contract(noisy_net)
```

exact_noisy = ☒

```
0.446460177731925
```

```
1 exact_noisy && expect(observable, apply(density_matrix(zero_state(n)), noisy_c))
```

References

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- **Tutorial page of YaoToEinsum:** <https://docs.yaoquantum.org/dev/man/yao2einsum.html>