

# Tutorial

A step-by-step introduction to the main facilities of QuEST-MMA.

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## Connecting to QuEST

Import the QuEST-MMA package . Further functions will be loaded once connected to an QuEST environment.

```
In[1]:= Import["https://quest.qtechtheory.org/QuEST.m"]
```

One then connects to a QuEST runtime environment, which can be local or remote.

```
In[2]:= ? CreateRemoteQuESTEnv
```

```
? CreateLocalQuESTEnv
```

```
? CreateDownloadedQuESTEnv
```

CreateRemoteQuESTEnv[id] connects to the remote Igor server (on port 50000+id and 50100+id) and defines several QuEST functions, returning a link object. This should be called once. The QuEST function definitions can be cleared with DestroyQuESTEnv[link].

CreateLocalQuESTEnv[] connects to a local Mathematica backend, running single-CPU QuEST. This requires a compatible 'quest\_link' executable is in the same directory as the notebook. This should be called once. The QuEST function definitions can be cleared with DestroyQuESTEnv[link].

CreateDownloadedQuESTEnv[] downloads a MacOS-CPU-QuEST server from quest.qtechtheory.org, gives it permission to run then locally connects to it. This should be called once. The QuEST function definitions can be cleared with DestroyQuESTEnv[link].

Here, we'll automatically download the MacOS QuEST executable and locally connect.

```
In[5]:= env = CreateDownloadedQuESTEnv[];
```

This loads further package functions and circuit symbols, listed below.

In[6]:= ? QuEST`\*

▼ QuEST`

AddWeightedStates	CreateLocalQuESTEnv	Kraus
ApplyCircuit	CreateQureg	M
ApplyOneQubitDampingError	CreateRemoteQuESTEnv	Operator
ApplyOneQubitDephaseError	Damp	P
ApplyOneQubitDepolariseError	Deph	PackageExport
ApplyTwoQubitDephaseError	Depol	R
ApplyTwoQubitDepolariseError	DestroyAllQuregs	Rx
CalcExpectedValue	DestroyQuESTEnv	Ry
CalcFidelity	DestroyQureg	Rz
CalcHilbertSchmidtDistance	DrawCircuit	S
CalcInnerProduct	GetAllQuregs	SetMatrix
CalcProbOfOutcome	GetMatrix	SetWeightedStates
CalcPurity	H	SWAP
Circuit	InitClassicalState	T
CloneQureg	InitPlusState	U
CollapseToOutcome	InitPureState	X
CreateDensityQureg	InitStateFromAmps	Y
CreateDownloadedQuESTEnv	InitZeroState	Z

## Creating quantum registers

Now that we're connected to a QuEST runtime environment, we can allocate quantum registers as state vectors or density matrices.

```
In[7]:= numQb = 9;
         $\psi$  = CreateQureg[numQb];
         $\rho$  = CreateDensityQureg[numQb];
```

These registers are stored in the environment which may be remote. The Mathematica kernel only knows the IDs by which to identify these structures to the QuEST environment.

In[10]:=  $\psi$ 

Out[10]= 0

```
In[11]:=  $\rho$ 
```

```
Out[11]= 1
```

```
In[12]:= GetAllQuregs[]
```

```
Out[12]= {0, 1}
```

This means we can create, operate on and study states that are too large to fit in Mathematica, or even this machine!

```
In[13]:= InitPlusState @  $\psi$ ;
```

```
CalcProbOfOutcome[ $\psi$ , 5, 1]
```

```
Out[14]= 0.5
```

```
In[15]:= ? InitPlusState
```

```
? CalcProbOfOutcome
```

InitPlusState[qureg] sets the qureg to state  $|+\rangle$  (and returns the qureg id).

CalcProbOfOutcome[qureg, qubit, outcome]  
returns the probability of measuring qubit in the given outcome.

With some overhead, we can view the state with **GetMatrix** (which is initially  $\psi = |0\rangle$  and  $\rho = |0\rangle\langle 0|$ ).

```
In[17]:= Dimensions @ GetMatrix[ $\psi$ ]
```

```
Out[17]= {512}
```

```
In[18]:= Dimensions @ GetMatrix[ $\rho$ ]
```

```
Out[18]= {512, 512}
```

The state vectors will live in the QuEST environment until individually destroyed...

```
In[19]:= DestroyQureg[ $\psi$ ]
```

```
DestroyQureg[ $\rho$ ]
```

or all at once.

```
In[21]:= DestroyAllQuregs[];
```

## Specifying gates

Individual gates have syntax **GateName**<sub>targetQubit</sub> where the **targetQubit** index is subscript (ctrl-minus) and indexes from 0. E.g. **H**<sub>3</sub> represents a Hadamard on the 4th qubit

```
In[22]:= ? H
```

H is the Hadamard gate.

Some gates additionally accept parameters in square brackets, e.g. **Ry<sub>2</sub>[ $\phi$ ]**

In[23]:= ? Ry

Ry[theta] is a rotation of theta around the y-axis of the Bloch sphere.

This can include matrices, e.g.  $U_3\left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ \text{Exp}[.3 i] & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right] \dots$

In[24]:= ? U

U[matrix] is a general 1 or 2 qubit unitary gate, enacting the given 2x2 or 4x4 matrix.

and lists of matrices, e.g.  $\text{Kraus}_2\left[\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1-p} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{p} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\}\right] \dots$

In[25]:= ? Kraus

Kraus[ops] applies a one or two-qubit Kraus map (given as a list of Kraus operators) to a density matrix.

Multiple target qubits are comma separated, or supplied as a list, e.g. **SWAP<sub>0,3</sub>** and **M<sub>0,1,2,3</sub>** ...

In[26]:= ? SWAP

? M

SWAP is a 2 qubit gate which swaps the state of two qubits.

M is a destructive measurement gate which measures the indicated qubits in the Z basis.

unless specified as Pauli sequences, e.g. **R[ $\phi$ , X<sub>2</sub> Y<sub>3</sub> Z<sub>0</sub>]**

In[28]:= ? R

R[theta, paulis]W is the unitary  $\text{Exp}[-i \theta/2 \text{ paulis}]$ .

Controlled gates are merely wrapped in **C<sub>control qubits</sub>[ ]**, e.g. **C<sub>1,2</sub>[X<sub>3</sub>]** is a doubly-controlled NOT

In[29]:=  $C_{0,1,2}\left[U_{6,3}\left[\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right]\right];$

Some operations like decoherence are only relevant for density matrices (states created with **createDensityQureg**)

In[30]:= ? Deph

? Depol

? Damp

? Kraus

Deph[prob] is a 1 or 2 qubit dephasing with probability prob of error.

Depol[prob] is a 1 or 2 qubit depolarising with probability prob of error.

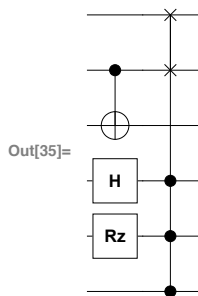
Damp[prob] is 1 qubit amplitude damping with the given decay probability.

Kraus[ops] applies a one or two-qubit Kraus map (given as a list of Kraus operators) to a density matrix.

## Applying circuits

A circuit can be written verbosely as a **list** (to be applied left-to-right) of gates...

```
In[34]:= {H2, Rz1[.3], C4[X3], C0,1,2[SWAP4,5]};
DrawCircuit[%]
```



or concisely as a direct **product wrapped in Circuit[]** to **prevent automatic commutation** (or to be reversed, **Operator[]** )

```
In[36]:= Circuit[ H2 Rz1[.3] C4[X3] C0,1,2[SWAP4,5] ]
```

```
Out[36]:= {H2, Rz1[0.3], C4[X3], C0,1,2[SWAP4,5]}
```

```
In[37]:= Operator[ H2 Rz1[.3] C4[X3] C0,1,2[SWAP4,5] ]
```

```
Out[37]:= {C0,1,2[SWAP4,5], C4[X3], Rz1[0.3], H2}
```

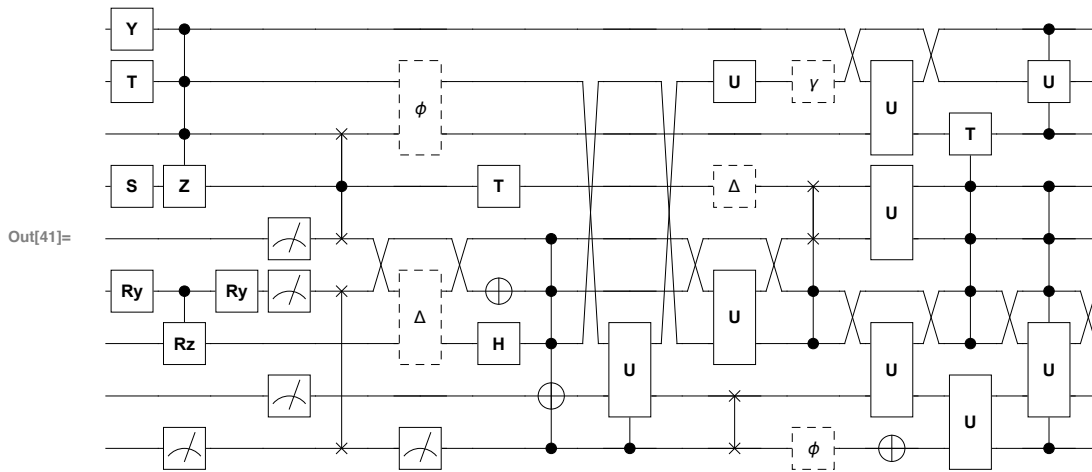
Circuits can be specified in terms of symbols/parameters, though which must be assigned numerical values before simulation.

```
In[38]:= m1 =  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ \text{Exp}[.3 i] & 0 \end{pmatrix};$ 
```

```
m2 =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix};$ 
```

```
u[θ_] := Circuit[
  S5 T7 Y8 Ry3[θ] C3[Rz2[θ]] C8,7,6[Z5] M0 Ry3[θ] M1,3,4 SWAP0,3 C5[SWAP4,6]
  Depol2,4[θ/100] Deph7,6[θ/400] M0 H2 X3 T5 C0,2,3,4[X1] C0[U1,7[m2]] U2,4[m2]
  U7[m1] SWAP0,1 Depol5[θ/300] Deph0[θ/200] Damp7[θ/500] C2,3[SWAP4,5]
  U3,1[m2] U4,5[m2] U6,8[m2] X0 U0,1[m2] C2,3,4,5[T6] C0,2,4,5[U1,3[m2]] C6,8[U7[m1]]
];
```

```
DrawCircuit @ u[θ]
```



Circuits can be applied to instantiated quantum registers through **ApplyCircuit**

```
In[42]:= ψ = CreateQureg[3];
ApplyCircuit[Circuit[H0 X1 Ry2[π/3]], ψ];
GetMatrix[ψ]
```

```
Out[44]= {0. + 0. i, 0. + 0. i, 0.612372 + 0. i, 0.612372 + 0. i,
          0. + 0. i, 0. + 0. i, 0.353553 + 0. i, 0.353553 + 0. i}
```

```
In[45]:= ? ApplyCircuit
```

**ApplyCircuit**[circuit, qureg] modifies qureg by applying the circuit. Returns any measurement outcomes, grouped by M operators and ordered by their order in M.

**ApplyCircuit**[circuit, inQureg, outQureg] leaves inQureg unchanged, but modifies outQureg to be the result of applying the circuit to inQureg.

**ApplyCircuit** returns a list of the random measurement outcomes (if any), ordered and grouped by the ordering of **M** in the circuit

```
In[46]:= ApplyCircuit[ Circuit[  $M_0 M_{1,2}$  ],  $\psi$  ]
Out[46]= {{1}, {1, 0}}
```

Remember these measurements are **destructive**

```
In[47]:= ApplyCircuit[ Circuit[  $M_{0,1,2}$  ],  $\psi$  ]
Out[47]= {{1, 1, 0}}
```

Remember that symbols/parameters in the circuit *must* be given numerical values before evaluation

```
In[48]:= ApplyCircuit[ Rx0[ $\phi$ ],  $\psi$  ]
» Error: Circuit contains non-numerical parameters!
Out[48]= $Failed
```

Circuits applied to density matrices are no different

```
In[49]:= ApplyCircuit[u[0], InitPlusState @ CreateDensityQureg[9]]
Out[49]= {{1}, {0, 0, 1}, {0}}
```

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## Analysing quantum states

```
In[50]:= DestroyAllQuregs[];
```

Quantum registers can be studied without expensively copying their state vector or density matrix to Mathematica from the QuEST environment.

```
In[51]:=  $\rho$  = InitPlusState @ CreateDensityQureg @ numQb;
ApplyCircuit[ Depol0,1[.1],  $\rho$  ];
CalcPurity[ $\rho$ ]
? CalcPurity
Out[53]= 0.848533
```

CalcPurity[qureg] returns the purity of the given density matrix.

```
In[55]:=  $\psi$  = InitPlusState @ CreateQureg @ numQb;
CalcFidelity[ $\rho$ ,  $\psi$ ]
? CalcFidelity
Out[56]= 0.92
```

CalcFidelity[qureg1, qureg2] returns the fidelity between the given states.

```
In[58]:= CalcProbOfOutcome[ $\rho$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $\theta$ ]
ApplyCircuit[Damp $\theta$  [.1],  $\rho$ ];
CalcProbOfOutcome[ $\rho$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $\theta$ ]
? CalcProbOfOutcome
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Out[58]= 0.5

Out[60]= 0.55

CalcProbOfOutcome[qureg, qubit, outcome]  
returns the probability of measuring qubit in the given outcome.

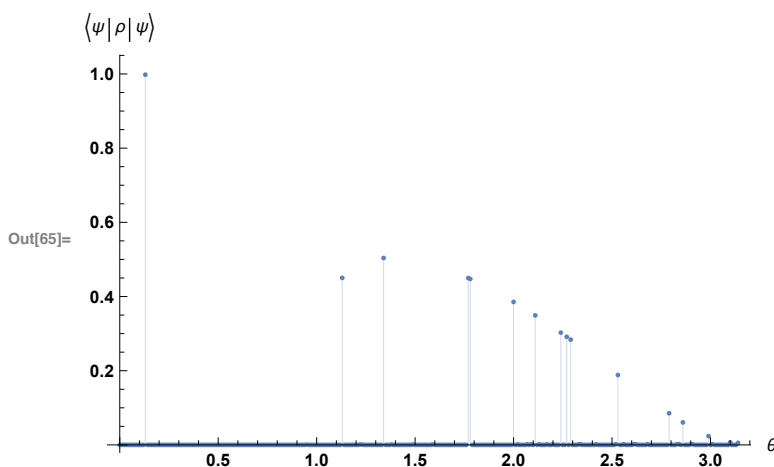
This allows us to express complicated calculations succinctly, and evaluate them quickly.

```
In[62]:= ApplyCircuit[u[ $\theta$ ], InitPlusState @  $\psi$ ];
```

```
params = Range[0,  $\pi$ , .01];
fids = Table[
  ApplyCircuit[u[ $\theta$ ], InitPlusState @  $\rho$ ];
  CalcFidelity[ $\rho$ ,  $\psi$ ],
  { $\theta$ , params}
];
```

Here we've calculated how smoothly varying the noise level  $\theta$  in our complicated  $u[\theta]$  circuit (drawn here) affects the fidelity with its initial  $|+\rangle$  state. Note the results here are *random* since our circuit contains projective measurement gates.

```
In[65]:= ListPlot[
  Transpose[{params, fids}],
  AxesLabel  $\rightarrow$  {" $\theta$ ", " $\langle \psi | \rho | \psi \rangle$ "},
  Filling  $\rightarrow$  Bottom
]
```



Finally, we free the state-vectors from the QuEST environment and disconnect from **quest\_link** (killing the process).



```
In[66]:= DestroyAllQuregs[];  
          DestroyQuESTEnv[env];
```