# Measurement-assisted variational simulation of non-trivial quantum states

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#### Motivation

 Efficient variational simulation of nontrivial quantum states with QAOA [HH19]





#### Layout

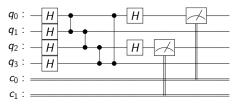
- Measurement-based quantum computing (MBQC)
- Variational simulation of non-trivial quantum state
- Research question: Measurement-assisted QAOA as an efficient/better simulation?



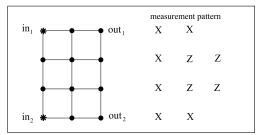


# MBQC: One-way quantum computer [RB01]

Conventional quantum circuit models:



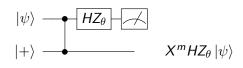
Cluster state: [Joz06]







Quantum teleportation = Entanglement + Measurement



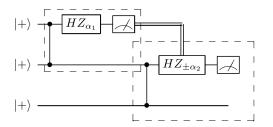


Figure: From [Nie06]



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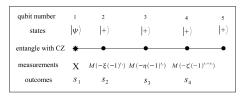
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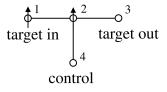


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(a) From [Joz06]



(b) From [RB01]





#### Variational simulation of non-trivial quantum states

QAOA [FGG14]: Quantum approximate optimization algorithm

- Principle: Quantum adiabatic theorem on  $H = H_2 + H_1$
- Variational ansatz (modified in (2))

$$\frac{|\psi(\boldsymbol{\gamma},\boldsymbol{\beta})\rangle = e^{-i\gamma_p H_1} e^{-i\beta_p H_2} \dots e^{-i\gamma_2 H_1} e^{-i\beta_2 H_2} e^{-i\gamma_1 H_1} e^{-i\beta_1 H_2}}{p \text{ layers}} |\psi_1\rangle$$
(1)

- $(\gamma, \beta) = (\gamma_p, \ldots, \gamma_1, \beta_p, \ldots, \beta_1)$
- ullet  $|\psi_1
  angle=$  ground state of  ${\it H}_1$  (easy to prepare)
- Cost function:

Overlap:  $|\langle \psi_0 | \psi(\gamma, \beta) \rangle|^2$ , or Energy:  $\langle \psi(\gamma, \beta) | H | \psi(\gamma, \beta) \rangle$ .





#### Variational simulation of the GHZ state

Example: GHZ state  $\sim |0\rangle^{\otimes L} + |1\rangle^{\otimes L}$ 

$$H_{GHZ} = -\sum_{i=1}^{L} Z_i Z_{i+1} = \underbrace{-\sum_{i=1}^{L} Z_i Z_{i+1}}_{H_2} - 0 \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{L} X_i}_{H_1}, \qquad |GS_{H_1}\rangle = \bigotimes_{i=1}^{L} |+\rangle$$

 $\implies$  Perfect fidelity,  $p \sim L/2$ .

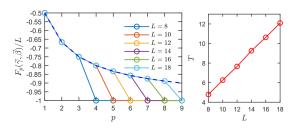


Figure: GHZ state simulation. Fidelity & p vs. L, [HH19]





#### Variational simulation of TFIM ground state

Example: Transverse field Ising model

$$H := H_2 + H_1 = -\sum_{i=1}^{L} Z_i Z_{i+1} - g \sum_{i=i}^{L} X_i$$

 $\implies$  Perfect fidelity,  $p \sim L/2$ 

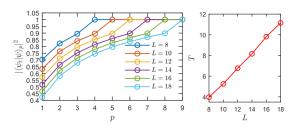


Figure: TFIM state simulation. Fidelity & p vs. L, [HH19]





#### Variational simulation...

Limitations of protocol in [HH19]:

- p ~ L.
- MERA construction [Vid08]:  $p \sim \log(L)$ , but non-local unitaries required.

⇒ Is a measurement-assisted QAOA scheme a solution?





#### Measurement-based simulation of the GHZ state





# Measurement-based QAOA for TFIM

Hamiltonian

$$H := H_2 + H_1 = -\sum_{i=1}^{L} Z_i Z_{i+1} - g \sum_{i=i}^{L} X_i$$

QAOA ansatz:

$$|\psi(\boldsymbol{\gamma},\boldsymbol{\beta})\rangle = \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\gamma_{p}H_{1}}\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\beta_{p}H_{2}}\ldots\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\gamma_{2}H_{1}}\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\beta_{2}H_{2}}\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\gamma_{1}H_{1}}\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\beta_{1}H_{2}}|\psi_{1}\rangle$$

 $\mathsf{MBQC} \ \mathsf{is} \ \mathsf{universal} \ \Longrightarrow \ \mathsf{Measurement}\text{-}\mathsf{based} \ \mathsf{QAOA} \ \mathsf{ansatz} \ \mathsf{is} \ \mathsf{possible}.$ 

Ingredients: Z, X-rotations, & CNOT.

♣ Scheme can be simplified by changing measurement pattern.





#### But...

#### Limitations:

- $p \sim L$ , where p is the number of layers of measurements.
- Non-local unitaries required



#### Two possibilities:

- QAOA is insufficient; need a completely new algorithm.
- QAOA is sufficient, but need better MBQC implementation.





Test QAOA with TFIM without translation invariance:

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{j} J_{j} Z_{j} Z_{j+1} + \sum_{j} g_{j} X_{j}$$
 (2)

Modified QAOA ansatz (reference (1))

- p layers
- Each layer is parameterized by  $(\gamma, \beta)_k = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_L, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_L)_k$ .

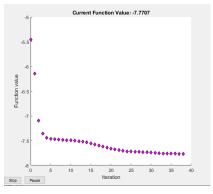
#### Conjecture

This modified QAOA can target any point in the phase diagram with perfect fidelity for at most p = L/2. In which case, the total number of parameters is  $L^2$ .





#### Conjecture holds for L = 2, 4, ..., 14, even at lower p:



(a) 
$$N = 6$$
,  $p = 3$ 

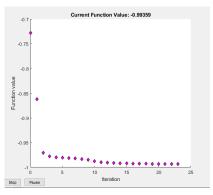
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Ground state energy
  -7.7800e+00
Energy minimum
  -7.7707e+00
Optimal angles
   7.7305e-02
                5.1819e-01
   6.7580e-01
                9.86226-01
   3 7412e-01
                5 4148e-01
   5.8479e-01
                4.3484e-01
   3.6534e-01
                4.1250e-01
   2.3284e-01
                8.5791e-02
Fidelity by Energy: 99.8804%
Time taken: 00:00:18
Time in sec: 17.7538
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(b) 99.9% fidelity at low iteration count.





#### (Using the overlap as the cost function in this case)



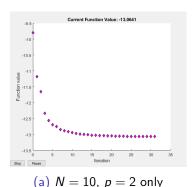
(a) 
$$N = 8$$
,  $p = 4$ 

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Ground state energy
  -1.1520e+01
Optimal angles
   2.1895e-01
                2.2117e-01
   5.6762e-01
                 5.4324e-01
   3.0717e-01
                 3.4677e-01
   4.2687e-01
                 4.5373e-01
   3.5788e-01
                2.8814e-01
   4.5521e-01
                4 6618e-01
   3 92386-01
                3 7951e-01
   2.6419e-01
                2.9289e-01
Fidelity by Overlap: 99.359%
Time taken: 00:04:20
Time in sec: 260.2146
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(b) 99.4% fidelity at low iteration count.







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Ground state energy
  -1.3535e+01
Energy minimum
  -1.3064e+01
Optimal angles
   5.0595e-01
                9 02666-02
   5.9734e-01
               3.9420e-01
   5.5699e-01
               1.8317e-01
   3.5894e-01
                4.5162e-01
Fidelity by Energy: 96.5225%
Time taken: 00:37:22
Time in sec: 2241.7264
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(b) 96% fidelity, not bad for p = 2.

 $\implies$  Can't get to higher L's due to large parameter space ( $\sim L^2$ ) and limitations in computing power and algorithm efficiency.



# Summary & Questions

- MBQC
- Variational non-trivial state simulation & QAOA
- Measurement-based QAOA. It is a good idea?
- Robustness of QAOA, tested on TFIM with non-constant g<sub>i</sub>.
- Is it possible, in principle, to get speedup with MBQC + QAOA?
- ullet In particular, can we target the critical ground state  $(g\equiv 1)$  with sublinear circuit depth?



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