

Quantum Gate Synthesis - SQUANDER -

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- SQUANDER package
 - An optimization based quantum compiler
- Variation Quantum Eigensolver (VQE) algorithm
 - hybrid quantum classical algorithm [1]
 - approximate the E_{ground} of a system [2]
 - parametrized quantum circuit
 - iterative minimization based on classical method

- SQUANDER built-in optimizers (**gradient-based**)
 - ADAM - *Adaptive Moment Estimation*
 - BFGS - *Broyden–Fletcher–Goldfarb–Shanno*
 - Cosine strategy
 - Gradient descend
 - Gradient descend with parameter shift rule
- Other optimizers (**gradient-free**) from **SciPy** package
 - Nelder - Mead
 - Powell
 - Cobyla

Written codes

A forked version of SQUANDER on github.com/menkobalazs/SMC-Lab-SQUANDER

- `Heisenberg_VQE.py` (modified):
 - Added argument parser for flexible execution.
 - Modified the `config` variable.
 - Implemented result-saving and logging.
 - Introduced SciPy's `minimize` with *Nelder-Mead*, *Powell*, and *Cobyla*.
 - Added random parameter initialization.
- `explore_simulations.py`: Generates figures from results.
- `run_simulations.sh`: Runs simulations in a screen session.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 10$

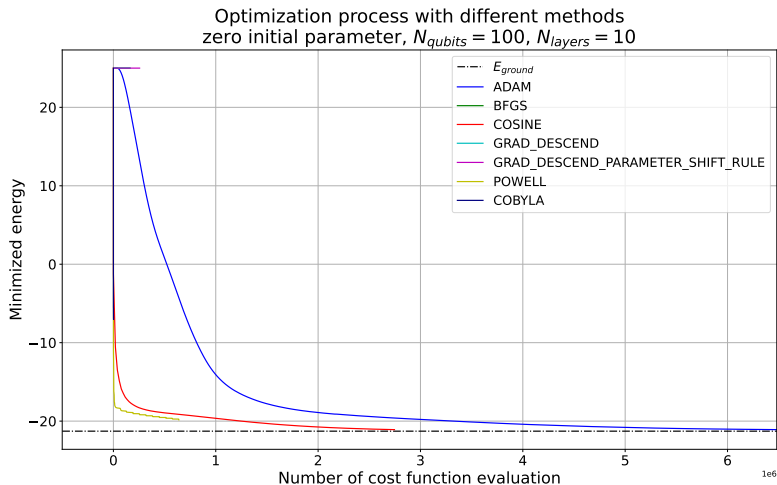


Figure 1: Minimization of cost function with zero initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 10$

Zoomed figure.

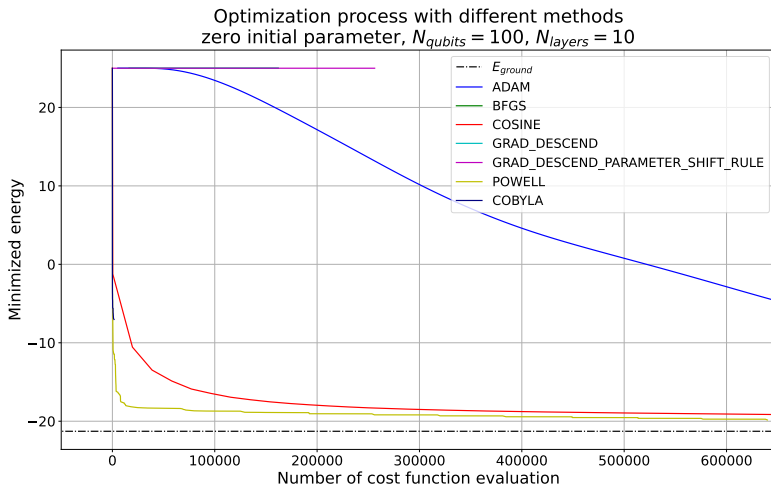


Figure 2: Minimization of cost function with zero initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 10$

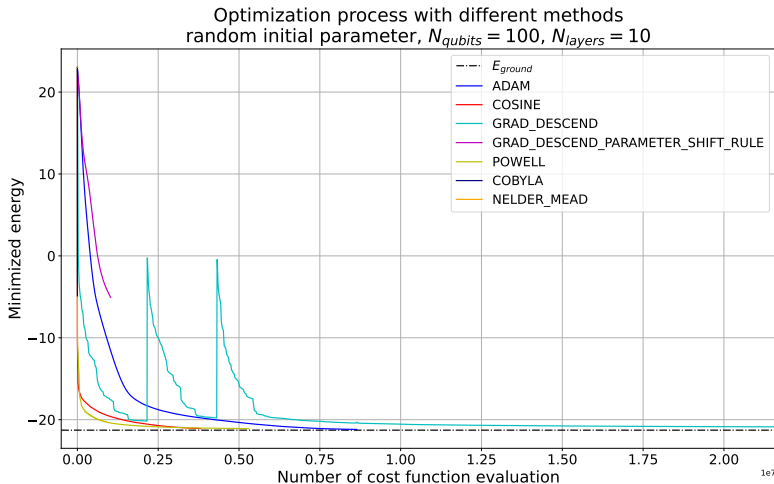


Figure 3: Minimization of cost function with random initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 10$

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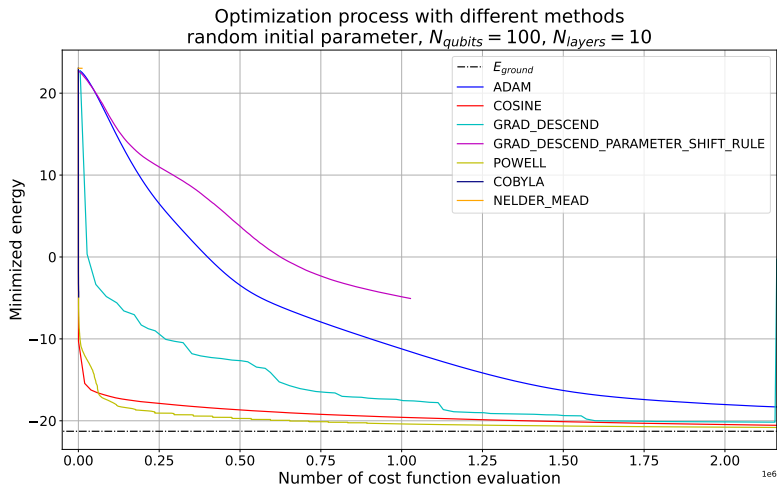


Figure 4: Minimization of cost function with random initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 14$

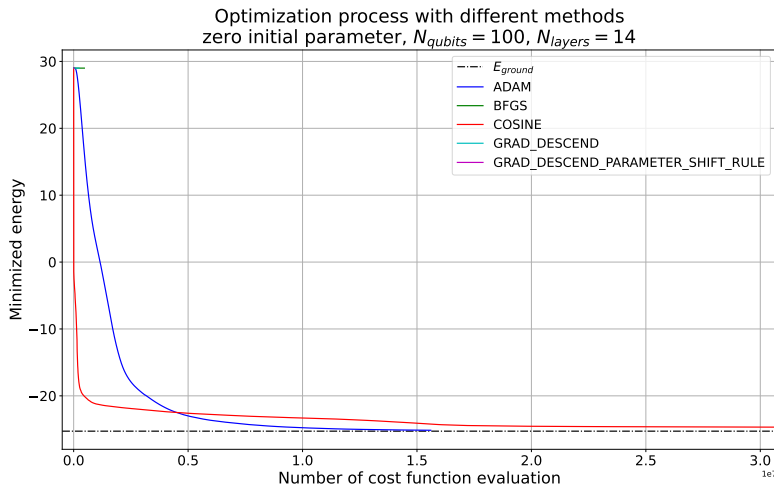


Figure 5: Minimization of cost function with zero initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 14$

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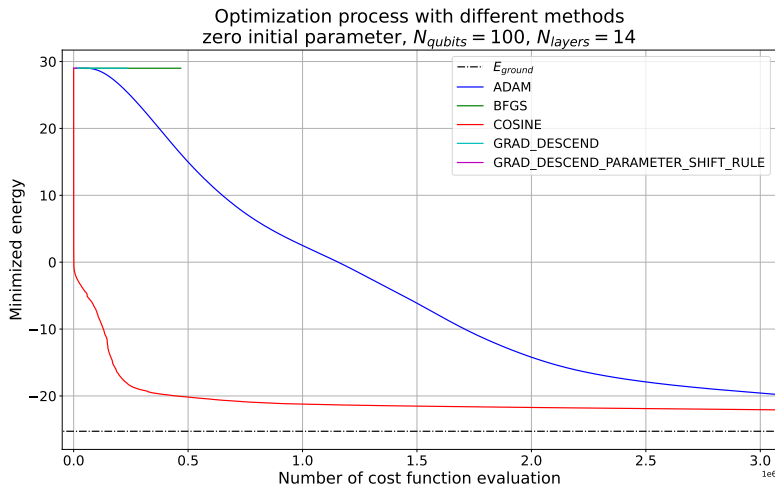


Figure 6: Minimization of cost function with zero initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 14$

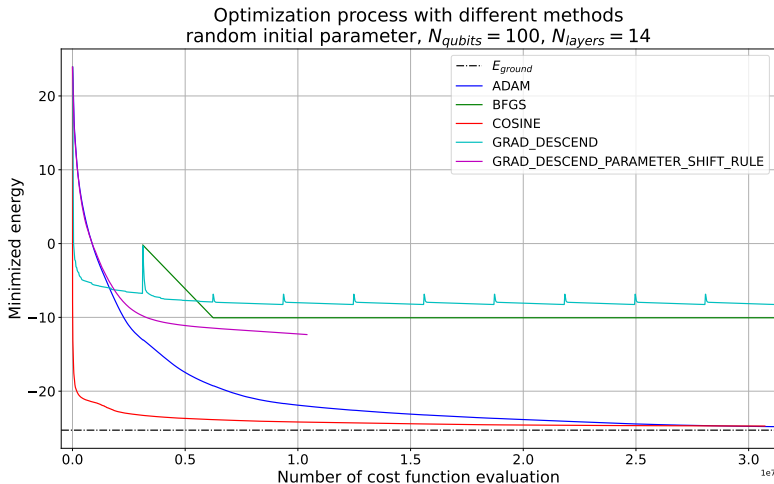


Figure 7: Minimization of cost function with random initial parameters.

Results with $N_{qubit} = 14$

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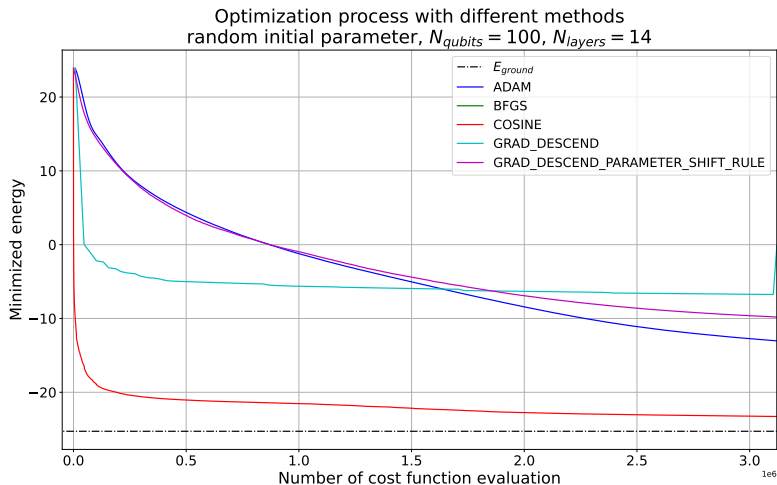


Figure 8: Minimization of cost function with random initial parameters.

Comparison with the article [3]*

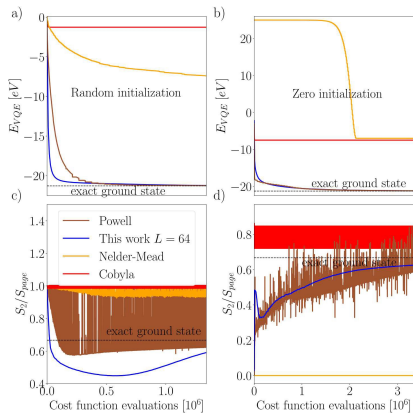


Figure 9: Fig. 8. from [3]

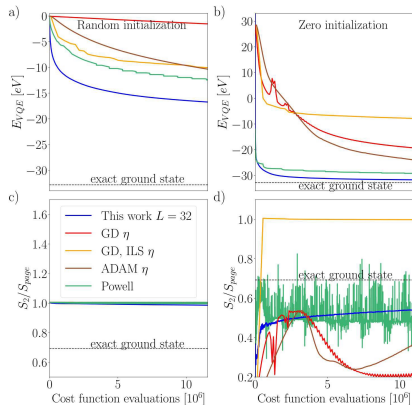


Figure 10: Fig. 9. from [3]

* *Line Search Strategy for Navigating through Barren Plateaus in Quantum Circuit Training*

My consent to the development

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> squander > variational_quantum_eigensolver > qgd_VQE_Base_Wrapper.cpp > qgd_Variational_Quantum_Eigensolver_Base_Wrapper_set_Optimizer(qgd_Variational_Quantum_Eigensolver_Base_Wrapper *,  
517 {  
518     optimization_aglorithms qgd_optimizer;  
545 > if ( strcmp("agents", optimizer_C) == 0 || strcmp("AGENTS", optimizer_C) == 0) { ...  
549 > else if ( strcmp("agents_combined", optimizer_C)--0 || strcmp("AGENTS_COMBINED", optimizer_C)--0) { ...  
552 > else if ( strcmp("cosined", optimizer_C)==0 || strcmp("COSINE", optimizer_C)==0) { ...  
555 | else if ( strcmp("grad_descend_phase_shift_rule", optimizer_C)--0 || strcmp("GRAD_DESCEND_PARAMETER_SHIFT_RULE", optimizer_C)--0) {  
556 |     qgd_optimizer = GRAD_DESCEND_PARAMETER_SHIFT_RULE;  
557 | }
```

Figure 11: The issue in SQUANDER/qgd_VQE_Base_Wrapper.cpp file.

Further plans

- Search the reason of the peaks in *Gradient Descend* method.
- Create bar charts about the runtime of optimization process.

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