

Here I am summarising some of the rules that we discussed about extracting pauli-exponentials out of measurement pattern. The main idea follows from the analysis presented in [RMWsim21] (cf. LiteratureReview), but I have eased up the formalism to suit our specific requirements some of which I discussed with you.

Algebraic Identities

Projectors

Usually projectors are linear-operators that map a state to a certain subspace. In our work we are usually interested in projectors that map to eigenspaces of multi-qubit pauli operators. Given a n -qubit pauli $A \in \mathbb{P}^{\otimes n}$ we can create projector $\hat{P}_{aA} = \frac{I + (-1)^a A}{2}$ which maps any state to the $(-1)^a$ eigenspace of the pauli operators A .

Properties

1. $aA \hat{P}_{aA} = \hat{P}_{aA}$ and $\hat{P}_{aA} aA = \hat{P}_{aA}$
2. For $B \in \mathbb{P}^{\otimes n}$, $\hat{P}_{aA} B = B \hat{P}_{(a \oplus A \odot B)A}$ where \oplus is addition modulo 2 and \odot indicates the commutation of the two pauli operators (cf Main Note).

Pauli Exponential Sequence

For any pauli $A \in \mathbb{P}$ we can construct a pauli-exponential $A(\theta) = e^{-i\theta A}$. Given any ordered sequence of paulis $\mathcal{E} = (A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_t)$ we can construct an unitary parameterized by the angle of rotation for each individual pauli as

$$\mathcal{E}(\theta) = A_1(\theta_1) A_2(\theta_2) \dots A_t(\theta_t)$$

Any arbitrary unitary can be expressed as a parameterized exponential sequence, the most trivial example being the case of arbitrary single qubit unitary expressed as a sequence of $X - Z - X$ rotation parameterized by relevant angles.

Properties

1. The order is not strict, as if there are two commuting paulis then their corresponding pauli-exponentiations will also commute. To account for this we instead define a partial order \prec over the paulis, which $(\mathcal{E}, \prec) = (A_1 \prec A_2, A_3 \prec \dots \prec A_{t-2}, A_{t-1}, A_t)$ captures the fact the elements that are not comparable under the \prec must be commuting.
2. For any pauli B , $A(\theta) B = B A((-1)^{A \odot B} \theta)$
3. **Product Rotation Lemma** : For any projector \hat{P}_{bB} and pauli-exponential $A(\theta)$ the following holds

$$A(\theta) \hat{P}_{bB} = A(b\theta) \hat{P}_{bB}$$

Pauli Exponential Extraction

(cf. [RMWsim21]) Following our discussion we can realise that any measurement pattern in the conventional sense can be written as

$$\prod_{i \in (\mathcal{M}, \prec)} \left(\hat{P}_{m_i M_i} E_i(\theta_i) \right) \mathcal{S}_G, \psi_{in}$$

where

- \mathcal{S}_G corresponds to the stabilizers of the graph-state and ψ_{in} is the arbitrary input state.
- $\hat{P}_{m_i M_i}$ corresponds the measurement on the i th qubit, m_i denotes the measurement outcome
- $E_i(\theta_i)$ correponds to the rotation prior to the measurement,(in [RMWsim21] this corresponds to eq 5).
- Note that here $M_i \odot E_i = 1$ as otherwise we can move the pauli-exponential through the projector

The main aim is to extract all the exponentials sandwiched between the projectors, so that we can find an equivalent unitary operation on the system. The existence of (focussed)gflow guarantees that this should always be possible, independent of the choice of the paramaterization angles θ .

NB: We will assume that we are using a focussed-gflow in our discussions, any gflow (C, \prec) if exists in an open-graph can always be focussed to construct a focussed-gflow (C_f, \prec) , and as i mentioned focusing a gflow only changes the correction-set and not the partial order.

If gflow exists we can always find a correction-operator $\forall_i C_i \in \mathcal{S}_G$ such that

1. $C_i \odot E_i = 0$
2. $C_i \odot M_j = \delta_{ij}$
3. $\forall_{k \prec i} C_i \odot E_k = 0 \implies C_i \odot M_k = 0, M_k \odot E_k = 1$

Note that since both E_i, M_i are single qubit operators, thus if any pauli operator commutes with it then it must have the same operator or I on the i th qubit. The above conditions restrict the structure of the correction operator to the form

$$C_i = (\tilde{E}_i)_{\mathcal{O}} \otimes (M_j \otimes M_k \otimes \dots)_{i \prec \mathcal{O}^c} \otimes (E_i)_i$$

, where

- \tilde{E}_i can be interpreted as the extracted part of the exponential as it acts exclusively on the output qubits \mathcal{O} .
- $(M_j \otimes M_k \otimes \dots)_{i \prec \mathcal{O}^c}$ corresponds to requirement 3 the main takeaway from the structure is the fact that upon the action of the measurement via \hat{P}_{mM} only the part acting on the output qubits remain and thus allows us to construct the unitary that was implemented by the measurement pattern.

To see the role of the correction operator consider the following example
[/notes/attatchments/pauli-extraction-martina_annotated.svg](#)

The extracted sequence pauli exponentials are corresponds to the ‘extracted’ unitary and is the overall effect of the measurement process on the state \mathcal{S}_G, ψ_{in}

Todo

1. Try the same procedure for the examples that you come across in different papers
 - start by finding gflow i.e the correction-sets and the partial order (C, \prec)
 - see that the choice of the correction set satisfies the above conditions
 - extract the unitary :)