Quantum Genetic Programming

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What is Genetic Programming about?

- 1. Produce an initial randomly generated *population* of *chromosomes*, which consist of *genes*
- Get a subset of these population and find the fittest with respect to some fitness metric
- Apply evolution and/or mutation and/or crossover in order to get the offspring
- 4. If the **offspring** has a better **fitness** score than the previous winner solution, you keep it
- 5. Keep iterating until you find a perfect solution or you reach the limit of iterations

The concept of quantum genetic programming

- 1. **Genes** are qubits
- 2. **Chromosome** is a product state of these qubits
- 3. **Crossover** is a set of SWAP-gates applied on a two subsets of genes
- 4. **Evolution** is some unitary gate on the chromosome
- 5. Measure the chromosome (**mutation** is represented by a noisy measurement). We get a bit string
- 6. This bit-string encodes the object of interest. Remember: our aim is to optimize over the space of these objects.
- 7. Evaluate the fitness of all bit-strings. Keep the best. Adjust the evolution. Repeat.

The problem

Find the circuit which implements some given boolean function

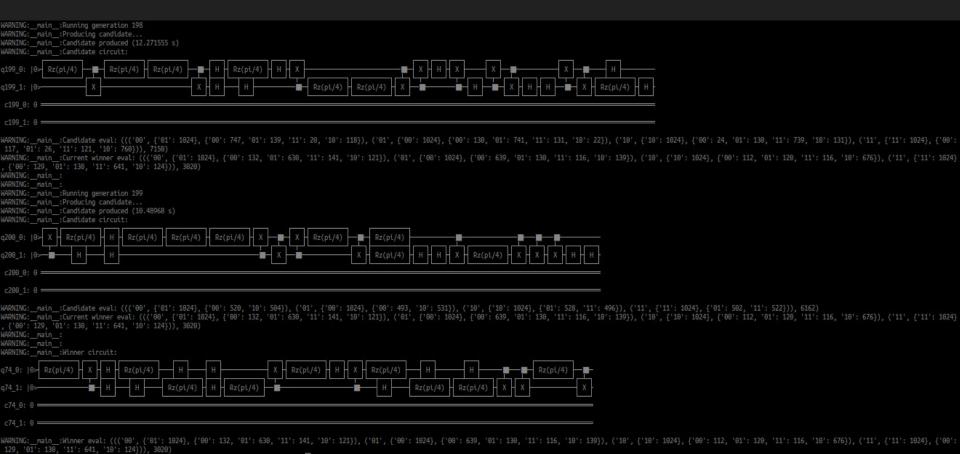
- This problem can be extended to (not implemented in this project):
 - Find a unitary which maps a set of input states into a set of output states
 - Find a symbolic unitary which maps some symbolic input state into symbolic output states

v1: Another quantum genetics algorithm

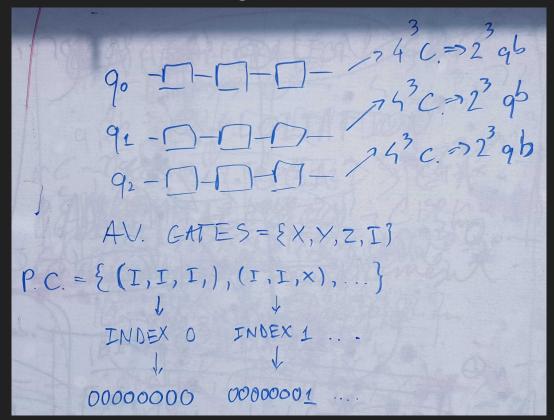
- A quantum chromosome is a ordered list of quantum genes
- A quantum gene is a Qiskit circuit
- A single quantum chromosome can represent the entire population
- Each time we measure this chromosome to get a bit string, we apply the noise configuration from an actual IBM quantum processor
- A bit string is translated into a circuit by applying a simple map that relates a
 fixed number of bits to a quantum gate and its inputs
- We get the fitness score for this circuit and if it is better than the previous winner, we keep it and update the chromosome applying Ry gates in order to make the chromosome converge toward the solution

Exec. script: https://github.com/quantumgenetics/quantumgenetics/blob/master/main.py

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v2: Alternative embedding of the circuit into the



Exec. script: https://github.com/quantumgenetics/quantumgenetics/blob/master/alt_embedding/abstract_api.py

GitHub repo: https://github.com/quantumgenetics/quantumgenetics

Thanks for your attention!