Simulating Quantum Many Body Dynamics on a current Quantum Computer

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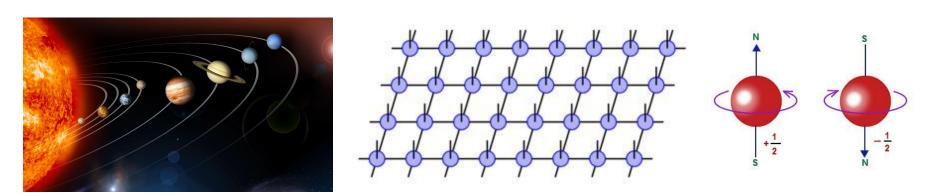
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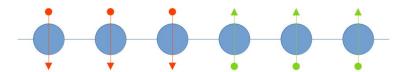
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Quantum Many Body Dynamics (1) - Introduction



Goal of this study:

To simulate evolution of a 1D spin-1/2 chain on a current quantum computer.



Setup (1)

Governing equation: Schrödinger equation

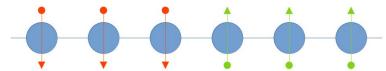
$$i\hbar \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} |\psi(t)\rangle = H |\psi(t)\rangle$$
 $|\psi(t)\rangle = U_t |\psi(0)\rangle$ with $U_t = \mathrm{e}^{-iHt/\hbar}$.

General Hamiltonian for quantum many body physics

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left(\hat{\sigma}_{j}^{x} \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^{x} + \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{y} \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^{y} \right) + U \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{z} \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^{z} + \sum_{j=1}^{N} h_{j} \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{z},$$

Setup (2)

- 2 distinct cases for Hamiltonian parameters
 - \circ Case (i) XX chain U = 0, $h_i = 0$
 - \circ Case (ii) Disordered XX chain U = 0, h, sampled from [-h, +h]
- Initial State: 6 particle domain wall | 1111000>



Observables

0

 \circ Local Magnetization $\mathit{M}_{j}(t) = \langle \psi(t) | \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{z} | \psi(t)
angle.$

$$N_{\mathsf{half}}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N/2} \langle \psi(t) | \; rac{\hat{o}_j^z + 1}{2} \; | \psi(t)
angle$$

Implementation - (1)

- Trotter decomposition of Unitary time evolution operator U(t) = e^{-iHt}
- Idea: Break down complex operator to a sequence of simpler operators

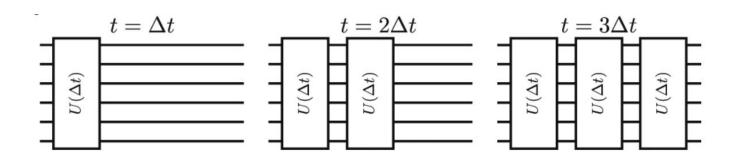
$$\hat{H} = \hat{A} + \hat{B},$$
 $e^{-i\hat{H}t} = e^{-i\hat{A}t}e^{-i\hat{B}t} + \mathcal{O}(t^2).$

Baker–Campbell–Hausdorff formula,

$$e^X e^Y = e^Z$$
 $Z = X + Y + \frac{1}{2}[X,Y] + \frac{1}{12}[X,[X,Y]] - \frac{1}{12}[Y,[X,Y]] + \cdots$

Implementation - (2)

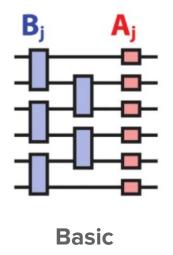
• **Step 1**: Split operator into discrete evolution operators $e^{-i\hat{H}t} = \left(e^{-i\hat{H}\Delta t}\right)^M$



Implementation - (3)

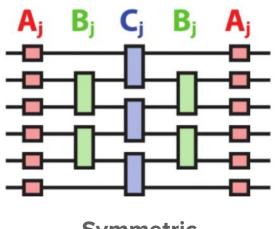
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• **Step 2**: Approximate the discrete evolution operators - 2 options:



If
$$H = A + B$$

$$e^{-iH\Delta t} = e^{-iA\Delta t} e^{-iB\Delta t} + O(\Delta t^2)$$



Symmetric

If
$$H = A + B$$

$$e^{-iH\Delta t} = e^{-iA\Delta t/2} e^{-iB\Delta t} e^{-iA\Delta t/2} + O(\Delta t^3)$$

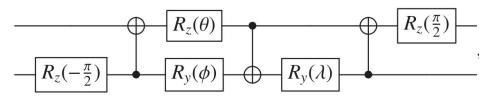
Implementation (4)

- Step 3: implement A_i, B_i and C_i
 - \circ For A_i, use the R_z gate.

$$- R_z(\theta) - e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}Z} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\theta}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

o For B_i and C_i:

$$N(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \exp[i(\alpha\sigma^x \otimes \sigma^x + \beta\sigma^y \otimes \sigma^y + \gamma\sigma^z \otimes \sigma^z)].$$

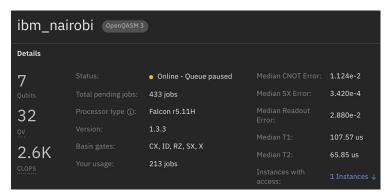


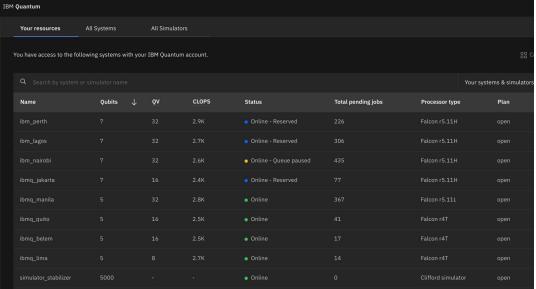
$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - 2\gamma$$
, $\phi = 2\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2}$, and $\lambda = \frac{\pi}{2} - 2\beta$.

Implementation (5)

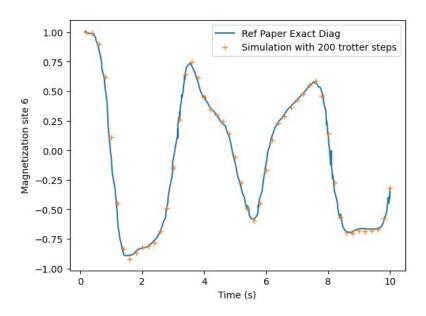








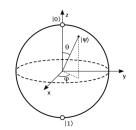
Results (1) - Verification of results with reference

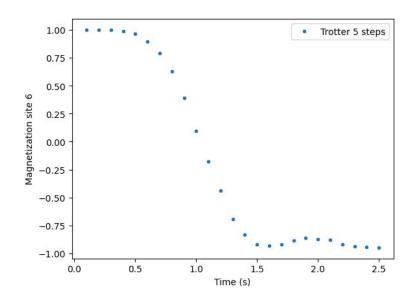


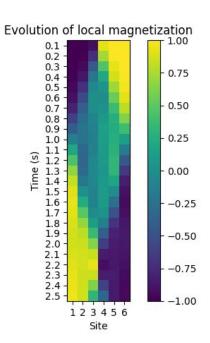
Comparison of simulator and Reference Paper results

Note: For each final time value, a fixed number of trotter steps is done in this analysis.

Results (2) - XX chain - Simulator





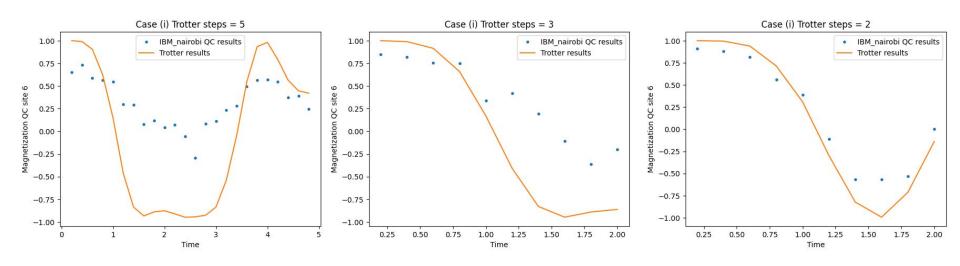


Local Magnetization at site 6 run on simulator

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \left(\hat{\sigma}_{j}^{x} \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^{x} + \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{y} \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^{y} \right) + U \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{z} \hat{\sigma}_{j+1}^{z} + \sum_{j=1}^{N} h_{j} \hat{\sigma}_{j}^{z},$$

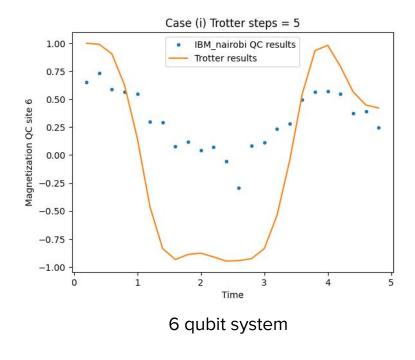
Results (3) - XX chain - IBM 6 Qubit QC

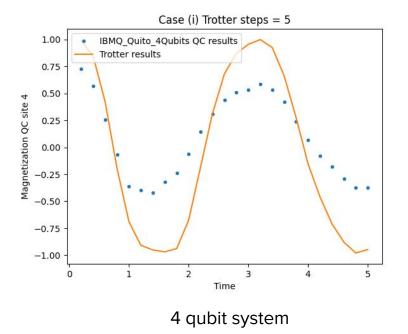
- Influence of Trotter steps
 - Circuit with low depth -> More accurate



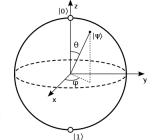
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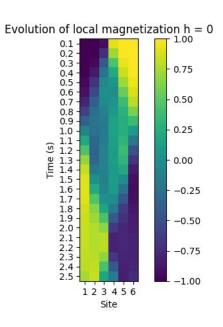
Influence of number of qubits

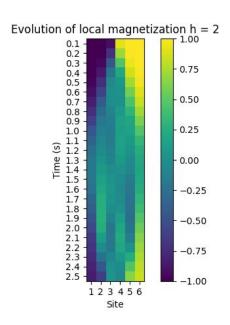


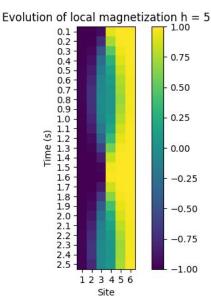


Results (4) - Disordered XX - (1)





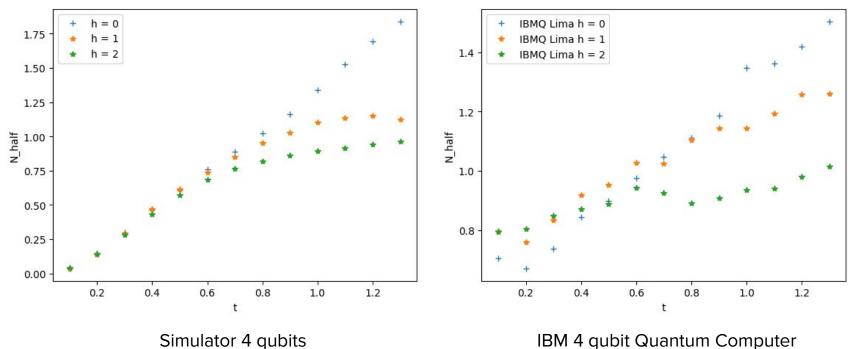




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Results (4) - Disordered XX - (2)



IBM 4 qubit Quantum Computer

Summary

- IBM quantum computers have low quantitative accuracy
- Accuracy improved with reduced circuit depths (lower evolution times) and lesser qubits (smaller many body system)
- However, they can still show qualitative physical behavior
- Need for improved quality of machines over increasing number of qubits.

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