

QuantumClifford.jl API Reference for CAMPS.jl

Essential Functions Only

This document contains only the QuantumClifford.jl functions needed for CAMPS.jl implementation. Each function includes its signature, what it returns, and a concrete example.

1. Pauli Operators

1.1 Creating Pauli Operators

String Macro: P"..."

using QuantumClifford

Single-qubit Paulis

P"I" # Identity

P"X" # Pauli X

P"Y" # Pauli Y

P"Z" # Pauli Z

Multi-qubit Paulis (tensor product, left-to-right = qubit 1 to n)

P"XYZ" # $X_1 \otimes Y_2 \otimes Z_3$

P"X_Z" # $X_1 \otimes I_2 \otimes Z_3$ (underscore = Identity)

With phases

P"-XYZ" # $-1 \times (X \otimes Y \otimes Z)$

P"iXYZ" # $+i \times (X \otimes Y \otimes Z)$

P"-iXYZ" # $-i \times (X \otimes Y \otimes Z)$

Programmatic Creation: single_x, single_y, single_z

Create single Pauli on qubit j of n-qubit system

Signature: single_x(n, j), single_y(n, j), single_z(n, j)

single_z(4, 2) # Returns: P" Z_" (Z on qubit 2 of 4 qubits)

single_x(3, 1) # Returns: P"X_" (X on qubit 1 of 3 qubits)

single_y(5, 3) # Returns: P" _Y_" (Y on qubit 3 of 5 qubits)

Use in CAMPS.jl: Creating the original Pauli for twisted Pauli computation.

When T-gate is applied to qubit q:

P_original = single_z(n, q) # T-gate rotates around Z axis

1.2 Pauli Properties

Number of Qubits: nqubits

P = P"XYZ"

nqubits(P) # Returns: 3

Binary Encoding: xbit and zbit

CRITICAL FOR GF(2) MATRIX CONSTRUCTION

xbit(P) returns Bool vector: true where Pauli has X or Y component

zbit(P) returns Bool vector: true where Pauli has Y or Z component

P = P"IXYZ"

xbit(P) # Returns: Bool[0, 1, 1, 0]

I→0, X→1, Y→1, Z→0

zbit(P) # Returns: Bool[0, 0, 1, 1]

```
# I→0, X→0, Y→1, Z→1
```

```
Pauli encoding table:
```

```
Pauli
```

```
xbit
```

```
zbit
```

```
I
```

```
0
```

```
0
```

```
X
```

```
1
```

```
0
```

```
Y
```

```
1
```

```
1
```

```
Z
```

```
0
```

```
1
```

```
Use in CAMPS.jl: Building the GF(2) matrix for bond dimension prediction.
```

```
function build_gf2_matrix(twisted_paulis::Vector{PauliOperator})
```

```
    t = length(twisted_paulis)
```

```
    n = ngubits(twisted_paulis[1])
```

```
    M = zeros{Bool, t, n}
```

```
    for k in 1:t
```

```
        M[k, :] = xbit(twisted_paulis[k]) # This is the key line!
```

```
    end
```

```
    return M
```

```
end
```

```
Indexing: P[j]
```

```
# P[j] returns (x_bit, z_bit) tuple for qubit j
```

```
P = P"IXYZ"
```

```
P[1] # Returns: (false, false) → I
```

```
P[2] # Returns: (true, false) → X
```

```
P[3] # Returns: (true, true) → Y
```

```
P[4] # Returns: (false, true) → Z
```

```
Use in CAMPS.jl: Building OFD disentangler gates.
```

```
function get_pauli_at(P::PauliOperator, j::Int)::Symbol
```

```
    x, z = P[j]
```

```
    !x && !z && return :I
```

```
    x && !z && return :X
```

```
    x && z && return :Y
```

```
    return :Z
```

```
end
```

```
Phase Access: P.phase[]
```

```
# P.phase[] returns UInt8 encoding the phase
```

```
# 0x00 = +1
```

```
# 0x01 = +i
```

```
# 0x02 = -1
```

```
# 0x03 = -i
```

```
P"XYZ".phase[] # Returns: 0x00 (+1)
P"-XYZ".phase[] # Returns: 0x02 (-1)
P"iXYZ".phase[] # Returns: 0x01 (+i)
P"-iXYZ".phase[] # Returns: 0x03 (-i)
```

```
Use in CAMPS.jl: Applying Pauli string phase to MPS.
function phase_to_complex(phase_byte::UInt8)::ComplexF64
    phases = (1.0+0.0im, 0.0+1.0im, -1.0+0.0im, 0.0-1.0im)
    return phases[phase_byte + 1]
end
```

```
# Usage:
phase = phase_to_complex(P.phase[])
mps = phase * mps
```

2. Stabilizer States

Creating Stabilizers: Stabilizer

Stabilizer wraps a list of commuting Pauli operators

Used to represent quantum states via their stabilizer generators

From Pauli operators:

```
s = Stabilizer([P"ZZ", P"XX"]) # Bell state  $|00\rangle + |11\rangle$ 
```

Identity stabilizer ($|0\rangle^{\otimes n}$ state):

```
one(Stabilizer, n) # Has stabilizers  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n$ 
```

Example:

```
one(Stabilizer, 3) # Stabilizers:  $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3$  (i.e.,  $|000\rangle$ )
```

Accessing Stabilizers

```
s = Stabilizer([P"ZZ", P"XX"])
```

```
s[1] # Returns: P"ZZ" (first stabilizer, a PauliOperator)
```

```
s[2] # Returns: P"XX" (second stabilizer)
```

```
length(s) # Returns: 2
```

Use in CAMPS.jl: Wrapping a Pauli to transform it through a Clifford.

```
function commute_pauli_through_clifford(P::PauliOperator, C)
    stab = Stabilizer([P]) # Wrap single Pauli in Stabilizer
    # ... apply Clifford ...
    return stab[1] # Extract transformed Pauli
end
```

3. Clifford Operators

3.1 MixedDestabilizer (For Tracking Accumulated Clifford)

MixedDestabilizer tracks both stabilizers AND destabilizers

This is needed for full Clifford operator representation

Create from stabilizer state:

```
md = MixedDestabilizer(one(Stabilizer, n))
```

This represents the identity Clifford on n qubits

Use in CAMPS.jl: Storing the accumulated Clifford C in CAMPSState.

```
mutable struct CAMPSState
    clifford::MixedDestabilizer # Accumulated Clifford
    # ...
end
```

Initialize:

```
state.clifford = MixedDestabilizer(one(Stabilizer, n))
```

3.2 CliffordOperator (Dense Tableau)

CliffordOperator is a dense representation of a Clifford

Can be created from MixedDestabilizer or symbolic gates

From MixedDestabilizer:

```
cliff = CliffordOperator(md)
```

Identity:

```
one(CliffordOperator, n)
```

Number of qubits:

```
ngubits(cliff) # Returns: n
```

3.3 Inverting Cliffords: inv

CRITICAL FOR TWISTED PAULI COMPUTATION

inv(cliff) returns the inverse Clifford operator

```
cliff = CliffordOperator(sHadamard(1))
```

```
cliff_inv = inv(cliff)
```

cliff_inv represents $H^\dagger = H$ (Hadamard is self-inverse)

Use in CAMPS.jl: Computing twisted Paulis $P_{\text{twisted}} = C^\dagger \cdot P \cdot C$.

function commute pauli through clifford(P::PauliOperator, C::MixedDestabilizer)

```
    stab = Stabilizer([P])
    C_inv = inv(CliffordOperator(C)) # Get  $C^\dagger$ 
    apply!(stab, C_inv) # Compute  $C^\dagger \cdot P \cdot C$ 
    return stab[1]
end
```

3.4 Applying Cliffords: apply!

CRITICAL FUNCTION - UNDERSTAND THIS CAREFULLY

apply!(stabilizer, clifford) modifies stabilizer IN-PLACE

It computes: clifford · stabilizer · clifford †

Signature:

```
apply!(stab::Stabilizer, cliff::CliffordOperator) # Returns modified stab
```

```
apply!(md::MixedDestabilizer, gate::SymbolicGate) # Returns modified md
```

Example 1: Hadamard transforms $Z \rightarrow X$

```
stab = Stabilizer([P"Z"])
```

```
apply!(stab, CliffordOperator(sHadamard(1)))
```

```
stab[1] # Returns: P"X" (because  $H \cdot Z \cdot H^\dagger = X$ )
```

Example 2: Hadamard transforms $X \rightarrow Z$

```

stab = Stabilizer([P"X"])
apply!(stab, CliffordOperator(sHadamard(1)))
stab[1] # Returns: P"Z" (because  $H \cdot X \cdot H^\dagger = Z$ )

# Example 3: CNOT propagation
stab = Stabilizer([P"_Z"]) # Z on qubit 2
apply!(stab, CliffordOperator(sCNOT(1, 2)))
stab[1] # Returns: P"ZZ" (because  $CNOT \cdot Z_2 \cdot CNOT^\dagger = Z_1 Z_2$ )

```

Key insight for twisted Paulis:

```

We want:  $C^\dagger \cdot P \cdot C$ 
apply!(stab, cliff) computes:  $cliff \cdot stab \cdot cliff^\dagger$ 
So we use: apply!(stab, inv(C)) which computes:  $C^{-1} \cdot P \cdot (C^{-1})^\dagger = C^\dagger \cdot P \cdot C$  ✓
Use in CAMPS.jl:
# For twisted Pauli computation:
function commute_pauli_through_clifford(P::PauliOperator, C::MixedDestabilizer)
    stab = Stabilizer([P])
    apply!(stab, inv(CliffordOperator(C))) # Computes  $C^\dagger \cdot P \cdot C$ 
    return stab[1]
end

```

```

# For accumulating Clifford gates:
function apply_clifford_gate!(state::CAMPSState, gate)
    apply!(state.clifford, gate) # Composes gate into accumulated Clifford
end

```

4. Symbolic Gates

These are efficient representations of common Clifford gates. Use these when building circuits and applying gates.

4.1 Single-Qubit Gates

All take qubit index (1-indexed)

```

sHadamard(q) # Hadamard on qubit q
sPhase(q)    # S gate ( $\sqrt{Z}$ ) on qubit q
sInvPhase(q) #  $S^\dagger$  gate on qubit q
sX(q)        # Pauli X on qubit q
sY(q)        # Pauli Y on qubit q
sZ(q)        # Pauli Z on qubit q

```

Examples:

```

sHadamard(1) # H on qubit 1
sPhase(3)    # S on qubit 3
sInvPhase(2) #  $S^\dagger$  on qubit 2

```

4.2 Two-Qubit Gates

```

sCNOT(control, target) # CNOT: control controls, target flips
sCPHASE(q1, q2)        # CZ gate (symmetric)
sSWAP(q1, q2)          # SWAP gate

```

Examples:

```

sCNOT(1, 2) # CNOT with control=1, target=2
sCPHASE(2, 3) # CZ on qubits 2 and 3
sSWAP(1, 4) # SWAP qubits 1 and 4

```

4.3 Applying Symbolic Gates to MixedDestabilizer

```
md = MixedDestabilizer(one(Stabilizer, 3))
```

```
# Apply gates directly:
```

```
apply!(md, sHadamard(1))
```

```
apply!(md, sCNOT(1, 2))
```

```
apply!(md, sPhase(3))
```

```
# Gates compose into the accumulated Clifford
```

4.4 Inverting Symbolic Gates

```
# inv() works on symbolic gates too
```

```
inv(sHadamard(1)) # Returns sHadamard(1) (self-inverse)
```

```
inv(sPhase(1)) # Returns sInvPhase(1)
```

```
inv(sInvPhase(1)) # Returns sPhase(1)
```

```
inv(sCNOT(1, 2)) # Returns sCNOT(1, 2) (self-inverse)
```

```
inv(sCPHASE(1, 2)) # Returns sCPHASE(1, 2) (self-inverse)
```

Use in CAMPS.jl: Building OFD disentangler and applying its inverse.

```
function build_ofd_gates(P::PauliOperator, control::Int, n::Int)
```

```
    gates = []
```

```
    for j in 1:n
```

```
        j == control && continue
```

```
        x, z = P[j]
```

```
        if x && !z # X
```

```
            push!(gates, sCNOT(control, j))
```

```
        elseif x && z # Y: CY = S†·CNOT·S
```

```
            push!(gates, sInvPhase(j))
```

```
            push!(gates, sCNOT(control, j))
```

```
            push!(gates, sPhase(j))
```

```
        elseif !x && z # Z
```

```
            push!(gates, sCPHASE(control, j))
```

```
        end
```

```
    end
```

```
    return gates
```

```
end
```

```
# Apply inverse to accumulated Clifford:
```

```
function apply_disentangler_inverse!(clifford, gates)
```

```
    for g in reverse(gates)
```

```
        apply!(clifford, inv(g))
```

```
    end
```

```
end
```

5. Clifford Enumeration

5.1 All n-Qubit Cliffords: enumerate_cliffords

CRITICAL FOR OBD ALGORITHM

```
# enumerate_cliffords(n) returns an iterator over all n-qubit Cliffords
```

```
# Single-qubit: 24 Cliffords
```

```
length(collect(enumerate_cliffords(1))) # Returns: 24
```

```
# Two-qubit: 11,520 Cliffords (but 720 up to single-qubit gates)
all_2q = collect(enumerate_cliffords(2))
length(all_2q) # Returns: 11520
```

```
# Usage - iterate directly:
for cliff in enumerate_cliffords(2)
    # cliff is a CliffordOperator
    # Do something with it
end
```

```
# Or collect into array:
two_qubit_cliffords = collect(enumerate_cliffords(2))
```

```
Use in CAMPS.jl: OBD optimization loop.
function disentangle_obd!(state, strategy)
    all_cliffs = collect(enumerate_cliffords(2))
```

```
        for bond in 1:(n-1)
            best_cliff = nothing
            best_entropy = current_entropy

            for cliff in all_cliffs
                # Try this Clifford, measure entropy
                # Keep track of best
            end
```

```
            if best_cliff != nothing
                # Apply best Clifford
            end
        end
    end
end
```

5.2 Random Clifford: random_clifford

```
# random_clifford(n) returns a random n-qubit Clifford
# random_clifford(rng, n) uses specified RNG
```

```
cliff = random_clifford(3) # Random 3-qubit Clifford
cliff = random_clifford(rng, 2) # With specific RNG
```

```
# Returns: CliffordOperator
```

```
Use in CAMPS.jl: Generating random circuits for benchmarks.
```

```
function random_clifford_t_circuit(n, depth, t_density; rng=Random.GLOBAL_RNG)
    gates = []
    for layer in 1:depth
        for q in 1:n
            if rand(rng) < t_density
                push!(gates, TGate(q))
            else
                cliff = random_clifford(rng, 1) # Random 1-qubit Clifford
                push!(gates, CliffordGate(cliff, q))
            end
        end
    end
    return gates
end
```

```
end
```

6. GF(2) Linear Algebra

6.1 Gaussian Elimination: gf2_gausselim!

```
# gf2_gausselim!(M) performs Gaussian elimination over GF(2) IN-PLACE
```

```
# GF(2) means binary field: addition = XOR, multiplication = AND
```

```
M = Bool[1 1 0;  
          0 1 1;  
          1 0 1]
```

```
gf2_gausselim!(M)    # Modifies M in-place
```

```
# After elimination, M is in row echelon form
```

```
# Non-zero rows indicate linearly independent rows
```

```
Use in CAMPS.jl: Computing GF(2) rank for bond dimension prediction.
```

```
function gf2_rank(M::Matrix{Bool})::Int
```

```
    isempty(M) && return 0
```

```
    M_copy = copy(M)          # Don't modify original
```

```
    gf2_gausselim!(M_copy)     # QuantumClifford function
```

```
    # Count non-zero rows = rank
```

```
    rank = 0
```

```
    for row in 1:size(M_copy, 1)
```

```
        if any(M_copy[row, :])
```

```
            rank += 1
```

```
        end
```

```
    end
```

```
    return rank
```

```
end
```

```
# Then use for prediction:
```

```
function predict_bond_dimension(twisted_paulis)
```

```
    M = build_gf2_matrix(twisted_paulis)  # Uses xbit()
```

```
    t = size(M, 1)
```

```
    r = gf2_rank(M)                      # Uses gf2_gausselim!()
```

```
    return 2^(t - r)
```

```
end
```

7. Complete Usage Examples

```
Example 1: Twisted Pauli Computation
```

```
using QuantumClifford
```

```
# Setup: 3-qubit system with some Clifford gates applied
```

```
n = 3
```

```
C = MixedDestabilizer(one(Stabilizer, n))
```

```
# Apply H on qubit 1, CNOT(1,2)
```

```
apply!(C, sHadamard(1))
```

```
apply!(C, sCNOT(1, 2))
```



```
# Now compute twisted Pauli for T-gate on qubit 2
P_original = single_z(n, 2) # Z on qubit 2

# Compute  $C^\dagger \cdot Z_2 \cdot C$ 
stab = Stabilizer([P_original])
apply!(stab, inv(CliffordOperator(C)))
P_twisted = stab[1]

println(P_twisted) # Will show the transformed Pauli
```

Example 2: Check Disentanglability
using QuantumClifford

```
P = P"XZY" # Twisted Pauli
free_qubits = BitVector([true, false, true]) # Qubits 1 and 3 are free

# Check which free qubits have X or Y
x = xbit(P) # [true, false, true] for X, Z, Y

for j in 1:3
    if free_qubits[j] && x[j]
        println("Can disentangle using qubit $j as control")
        break
    end
end
# Output: "Can disentangle using qubit 1 as control"
```

Example 3: Build OFD Disentangler
using QuantumClifford

```
P = P"XZY" # Control on qubit 1 (has X)
control = 1
n = 3

gates = []
for j in 1:n
    j == control && continue

    x, z = P[j]

    if x && !z #  $X \rightarrow \text{CNOT}$ 
        push!(gates, sCNOT(control, j))
    elseif !x && z #  $Z \rightarrow \text{CZ}$ 
        push!(gates, sCPHASE(control, j))
    elseif x && z #  $Y \rightarrow \text{CY} = S^\dagger \cdot \text{CNOT} \cdot S$ 
        push!(gates, sInvPhase(j))
        push!(gates, sCNOT(control, j))
        push!(gates, sPhase(j))
    end
end

# gates now contains: [sCPHASE(1,2), sInvPhase(3), sCNOT(1,3), sPhase(3)]
# (CZ for Z on qubit 2, CY for Y on qubit 3)
```

Example 4: GF(2) Rank Computation

```

using QuantumClifford

# Three twisted Paulis
paulis = [P"XZI", P"ZXI", P"YYI"]

# Build GF(2) matrix using xbit
t = length(paulis)
n = nqubits(paulis[1])
M = zeros(Bool, t, n)

for k in 1:t
    M[k, :] = xbit(paulis[k])
end

# M = [1 0 0; # XZI → xbit = [1,0,0]
#       0 1 0; # ZXI → xbit = [0,1,0]
#       1 1 0] # YYI → xbit = [1,1,0]

# Compute rank
M_copy = copy(M)
gf2_gausselim!(M_copy)
rank = count(row -> any(M_copy[row, :]), 1:t)

# rank = 2 (row 3 = row 1 XOR row 2 in GF(2))
# Predicted  $\chi = 2^{(3-2)} = 2$ 

```

Example 5: OBD Loop Structure

```

using QuantumClifford

# Get all 2-qubit Cliffords
all_cliffs = collect(enumerate_cliffords(2))
println("Number of 2-qubit Cliffords: ", length(all_cliffs))

# In OBD, iterate through them:
for cliff in all_cliffs
    # cliff is a CliffordOperator
    # Convert to matrix, apply to MPS, measure entropy
    # (ITensor conversion handled separately)
end

```

8. Summary: Functions Used in CAMPS.jl

```

Function
Purpose in CAMPS.jl
P"..."
Create Pauli strings for testing
single_x/y/z(n, j)
Create original Pauli for twisted Pauli computation
nqubits(P)
Get system size from Pauli
xbit(P)
Build GF(2) matrix rows
P[j]
Get Pauli at position j for OFD gate construction
P.phase[]

```

```

Get phase for MPS application
Stabilizer([P])
Wrap Pauli for Clifford transformation
one(Stabilizer, n)
Initialize identity Clifford
MixedDestabilizer(stab)
Store accumulated Clifford
CliffordOperator(md)
Convert for inversion
inv(cliff)
Invert Clifford for twisted Pauli computation
apply!(stab, cliff)
Compute cliff · stab · cliff†
apply!(md, gate)
Accumulate Clifford gates
sHadamard/sPhase/sInvPhase(q)
Single-qubit Clifford gates
sCNOT(c,t)/sCPHASE(q1,q2)
Two-qubit Clifford gates
enumerate_cliffords(2)
All two-qubit Cliffords for OBD
random_clifford(rng, n)
Random Cliffords for benchmarks
gf2_gausselim!(M)
GF(2) rank computation

```

```

9. Import Statement for CAMPS.jl
using QuantumClifford:
    # Types
    PauliOperator, Stabilizer, MixedDestabilizer, CliffordOperator,

    # Pauli creation
    single_x, single_y, single_z,

    # Pauli properties
    nqubits, xbit, zbit,

    # Stabilizer/Clifford operations
    apply!, inv,

    # Symbolic gates
    sHadamard, sPhase, sInvPhase, sX, sY, sZ,
    sCNOT, sCPHASE, sSWAP,

    # Enumeration
    enumerate_cliffords, random_clifford,

    # GF(2)
    gf2_gausselim!

```