

CS 59300 – Algorithms for Data Science

Classical and Quantum approaches

Lecture 20 (11/18)

Quantum linear algebra toolkits (IV)

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Quantum walk

Classical random walk

- Let P be transition matrix of a Markov chain on a graph $G(V, E)$:

$$P_{ij} \geq 0, \quad \sum_j P_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in V$$

- Let π be the stationary distribution, i.e., $\pi P = \pi$ (π is unique and positive if P is ergodic)
- P is **reversible** if

$$\pi_i P_{ij} = \pi_j P_{ji} \quad \forall i, j \in V$$

- The **discriminant matrix** D is a real symmetric matrix defined as:

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Fact. Define the coherent version of the stationary state (i.e. **qsample**):

$$|\pi\rangle = \sum_i \sqrt{\pi_i} |i\rangle$$

Then, it holds that

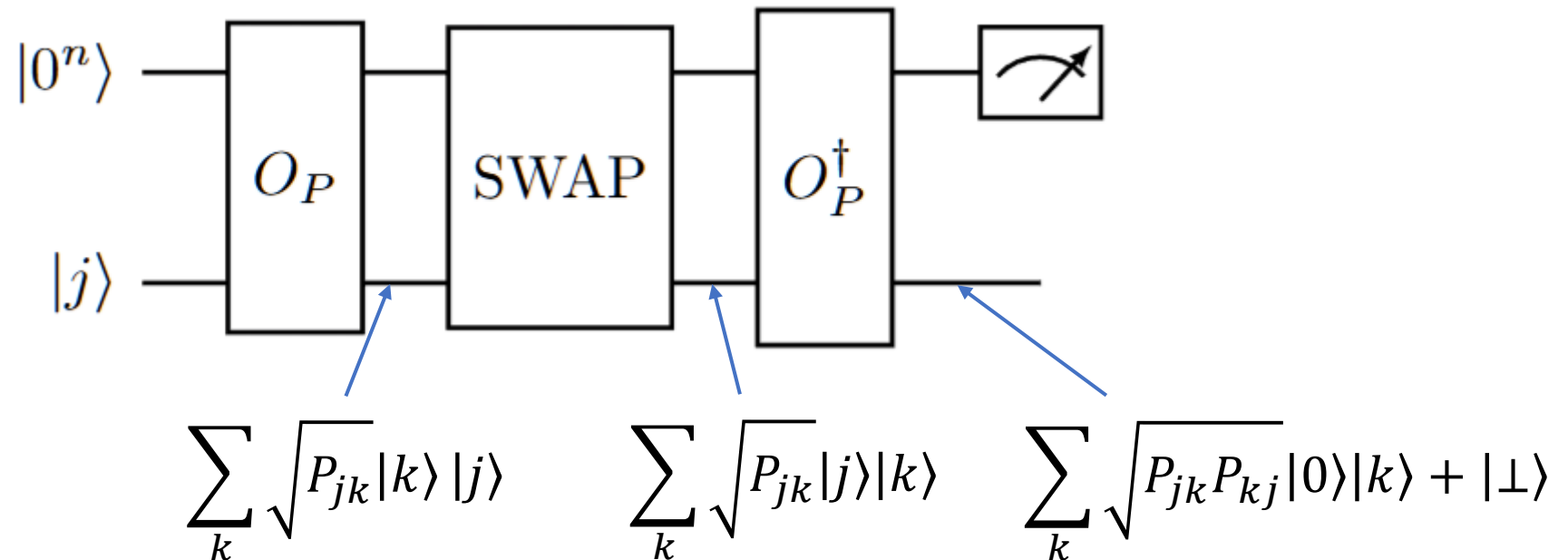
- $D\sqrt{\pi} = \sqrt{\pi}$
- $D = \text{diag}(\sqrt{\pi}) \cdot P \cdot \text{diag}(\sqrt{\pi})^{-1}$, i.e. D and P have the same eigenvalues

Block-encoding for the discriminant matrix

Assume that we have access to the transition matrix P via an oracle gate O_P :

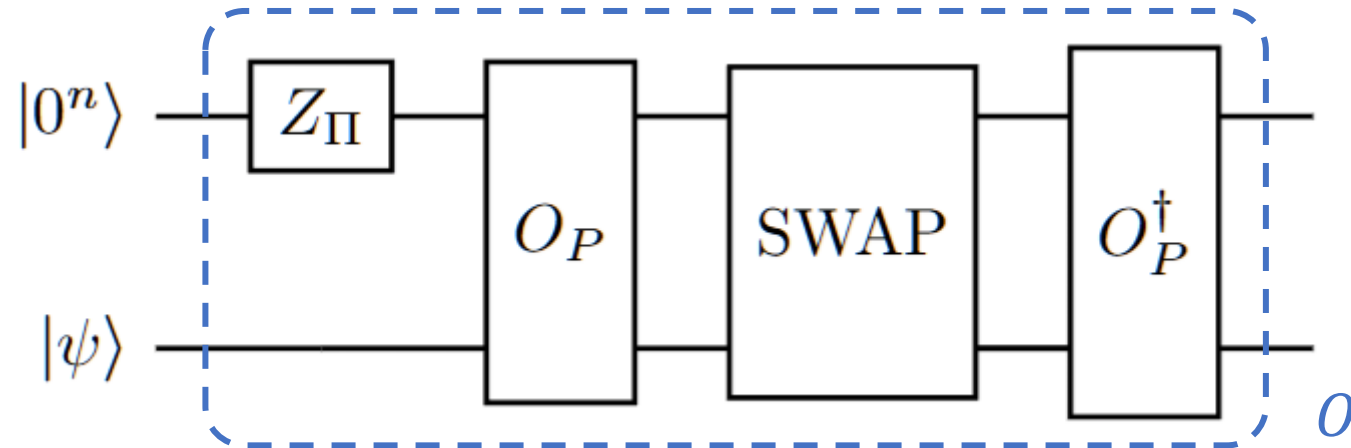
$$O_P |0\rangle |j\rangle = \sum_k \sqrt{P_{jk}} |k\rangle |j\rangle \quad \text{“coherent one-step walk from } j\text{”}$$

Then, the following quantum circuit is a Hermitian block-encoding for D :



Szegedy's quantum walk

Consider the **qubitization** for Hermitian block-encoding:



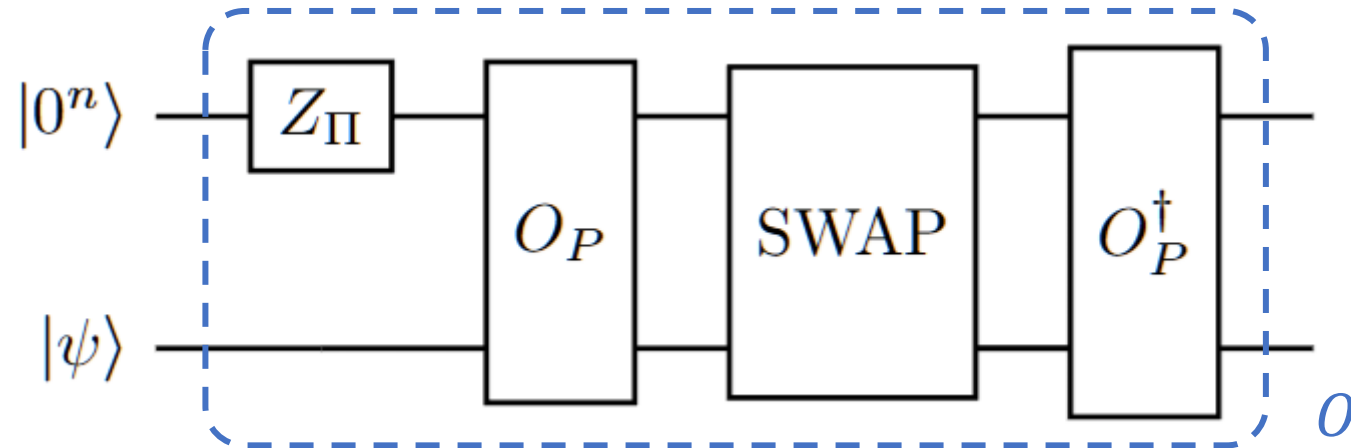
- O^k is a block-encoding for $T_k(D)$
- O has invariant subspaces $\{\mathcal{H}_i\}$ such that

$$[O]_{\mathcal{H}_i} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_i & -\sqrt{1 - \lambda_i^2} \\ \sqrt{1 - \lambda_i^2} & \lambda_i \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues: $e^{\pm i \arccos(\lambda_i)}$

Szegedy's quantum walk

Consider the **qubitization** for Hermitian block-encoding:



- O^k is a block-encoding for $T_k(D)$ \Rightarrow $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{t})$ cost to implement $D^t|v\rangle$ (**fast-forwarding**)
- The eigenvalues of O are $\{e^{\pm i \arccos(\lambda_i)}\}$, where $\{\lambda_i\}$ are the eigenvalues of D
 - The largest eigenvalue of D is 1 (corresponding to $\sqrt{\pi}$), and $\arccos(1) = 0$
 - The other eigenvalues of $D \leq 1 - \delta$ (the **spectral gap**), and $\arccos(1 - \delta) \approx \sqrt{2\delta}$

(**spectral gap amplification**)

Quadratically faster hitting

- Find a marked vertex in a graph (Szegedy '04; Magniez et al. '06; Belovs'13; Ambainis et al. '19; Piddock et al. '19): $\mathcal{O}(\text{hitting time}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\text{hitting time}})$
- Element distinctness (Ambainis '03): $\mathcal{O}(n \log n) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n^{2/3})$
- Triangle finding (Magniez et al. '03): $\mathcal{O}(n^\omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n^{1.3})$
- Matrix-product verification (Buhrman-Špalek '04): $\mathcal{O}(n^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n^{5/3})$
- Closest-pair problem (Aaronson et al. '20): $\mathcal{O}(n \log n) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(n^{2/3})$

Quadratically faster “mixing” (qsample preparation)

- Partition function estimation (Harrow-Wei '20; Chakrabarti et al. '23), Logconcave sampling (Childs et al. '22), Approximate convex optimization (Li-Z '22), non-logconcave sampling (Ozgul et al. '23)

Fast-forwarding classical Markov chain

- Graph property testing (Apers-Sarlette '19; Apers '20)

MNRS framework for quantum walk search

Let P be a Markov chain on a graph V such that the vertices in $M \subset V$ are “marked”. The goal is to decide whether M is empty or find a vertex $x \in M$

Consider three operations:

- **Setup:** preparing the initial state $|\pi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|V|}} \sum_{x \in V} \sqrt{\pi_x} |x\rangle$ Cost: S
- **Update:** applying the transformation $|x\rangle|0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle \sum_{y \in V} \sqrt{p_{xy}} |y\rangle$ Cost: U
- **Checking:** applying the transformation $|x\rangle \mapsto \begin{cases} -|x\rangle & \text{if } x \in M \\ |x\rangle & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ Cost: C

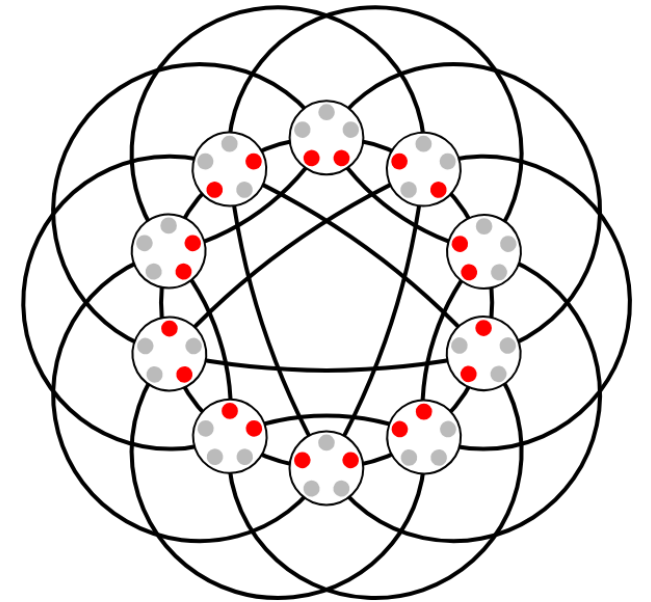
Let $\lambda := \frac{\max\{|M|, 1\}}{|V|}$ and δ be the spectral gap of P

Then, the quantum walk complexity is $\mathcal{O}\left(S + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} U + C\right)\right)$

Quantum walk for Element Distinctness

Problem: Given n numbers (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) , decide whether there exist $i \neq j$ such that $a_i = a_j$

- Johnson graph $\mathcal{J}(n, r)$
 - ❖ Vertices: r -subsets of $[n]$
 - ❖ Edges: $S \sim S'$ if and only if $|S \cap S'| = r - 1$
- S is marked if there are $i \neq j \in S$ such that $a_i = a_j$
- Let P be the “natural” random walk on $\mathcal{J}(n, r)$
- $\lambda \geq \binom{n-2}{r-2} / \binom{n}{r} = \mathcal{O}(r^2/n^2)$ and $\delta \geq 1/r$
- Apply the MNRS quantum walk on $|\pi\rangle \propto \sum_S |a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_r}\rangle$
- Consider the **query complexity**: $S = r$, $U = 1$, and $C = 0$
- $\mathcal{O}\left(S + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} U + C\right)\right) = \mathcal{O}\left(r + \frac{n}{\sqrt{r}}\right) = \mathcal{O}(n^{2/3})$ if we choose $r = n^{2/3}$



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Hamiltonian simulation

Hamiltonian Simulation Problem: Given a description of the Hamiltonian $H(t)$, an evolution time t and an initial state $|\psi(0)\rangle$, to produce the final state $|\psi(t)\rangle$ within in some error tolerance ϵ

Time independent:

- $H(t) \equiv H$, a 2^n -by- 2^n matrix
- Schrödinger equation: $\mathbf{i}\partial_t|\psi(t)\rangle = H|\psi(t)\rangle$, $|\psi(0)\rangle = |\psi\rangle$
- Equivalently, $|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-\mathbf{i}Ht}|\psi\rangle$

Complexity:

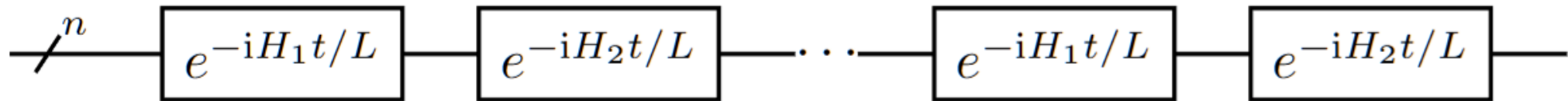
- **BQP**-complete
- No fast-forwarding theorem: simulating the dynamics for time t requires $\Omega(t)$ cost

Quantum algorithms for Hamiltonian simulation

“Old” approach: Trotterization (= Product Formulae = Time/Operator Splitting)

- First-order Trotter formula for $H = H_1 + H_2$:

$$e^{-iHt} = \left(e^{-iH_2 t/L} e^{-iH_1 t/L} \right)^L + \mathcal{O}(\|[H_1, H_2]\| t^2 / L)$$



$\mathcal{O}(\|[H_1, H_2]\| t^2 \epsilon^{-1})$ queries to $e^{-iH_1 \Delta t}$ and $e^{-iH_2 \Delta t}$

- High order (p -th): query complexity $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_H t^{1+1/p} \epsilon^{-1/p})$

Proof of the (first-order) Trotter error bound

- $\tilde{U}(t) := e^{-itH_2}e^{-itH_1}$ satisfies the ODE:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}\partial_t \tilde{U}(t) &= H_2 e^{-itH_2} e^{-itH_1} + e^{-itH_2} H_1 e^{-itH_1} \\ &= (H_1 + H_2) e^{-itH_2} e^{-itH_1} - H_1 e^{-itH_2} e^{-itH_1} + e^{-itH_2} H_1 e^{-itH_1} \\ &= H \tilde{U}(t) + \underbrace{\left[e^{-itH_2}, H_1 \right] e^{-itH_1}}_{B(t)} \end{aligned}$$

- Initial condition: $\tilde{U}(0) = I$

- Duhamel's principle:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{U}(t) &= e^{-itH} - \mathbf{i} \int_0^t e^{-\mathbf{i}(t-s)H} B(s) ds \\ &= e^{-itH} - \mathbf{i} \int_0^t e^{-\mathbf{i}(t-s)H} \left[e^{-isH_2}, H_1 \right] e^{-isH_1} ds \end{aligned}$$

- $\|\tilde{U}(t) - e^{-itH}\| \leq \int_0^t \|[e^{-isH_2}, H_1]\| ds$

Proof of the (first-order) Trotter error bound

- $\|\tilde{U}(t) - e^{-itH}\| \leq \int_0^t \| [e^{-isH_2}, H_1] \| ds$
- Consider $G(t) := [e^{-itH_2}, H_1]e^{itH_2} = e^{-itH_2}H_1e^{itH_2} - H_1$, which satisfies the ODE:

$$i\partial_t G(t) = e^{-itH_2}[H_2, H_1]e^{itH_2}$$

- Initial condition: $G(0) = 0$
- We can directly bound the norm:

$$\| [e^{-itH_2}, H_1] \| = \| G(t) \| \leq \int_0^t \| e^{-isH_2}[H_2, H_1]e^{isH_2} \| ds = t\|[H_1, H_2]\|$$

- Thus,

$$\|\tilde{U}(t) - e^{-itH}\| \leq \int_0^t \| [e^{-isH_2}, H_1] \| ds \leq t^2 \|[H_1, H_2]\|$$



Quantum algorithms for Hamiltonian simulation

Modern approach: QSVT

- Assume that we have access to U_H , the block-encoding for H
- $e^{\mathbf{i}tx} = \cos(tx) + \mathbf{i} \sin(tx)$
- Chebyshev expansion on $[-1,1]$:

$$\cos(tx) = J_0(t) + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k J_{2k}(t) T_{2k}(x)$$

$$\sin(tx) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k J_{2k+1}(t) T_{2k+1}(x)$$

- The series converges rapidly so that we can truncate it after $\Theta\left(t + \frac{\log(1/\epsilon)}{\log(e+\log(1/\epsilon)/t)}\right)$ terms

Quantum algorithms for Hamiltonian simulation

Modern approach: QSVT

- Assume that we have access to U_H , the block-encoding for H
- $e^{\mathbf{i}tx} = \cos(tx) + \mathbf{i} \sin(tx)$
- By QSVT, we can implement $\cos(tH)$ and $\sin(tH)$ with complexity $\mathcal{O}(t + \log(1/\epsilon))$
- By LCU, we get a block-encoding for $\frac{1}{2}e^{\mathbf{i}tH}$, i.e. a $(2, a + 2, \epsilon)$ -block-encoding for $e^{\mathbf{i}tH}$
- How to convert $\frac{1}{2}e^{\mathbf{i}tH}$ to $e^{\mathbf{i}tH}$?
- **Oblivious amplitude amplification (OAA)**
 - $P(x) = 3x - 4x^3$, which maps $1/2$ to 1 and is bounded by 1 in $[-1,1]$
 - $P^{\text{SV}}\left(\frac{1}{2}e^{\mathbf{i}Ht}\right) = e^{\mathbf{i}Ht}$

Quantum algorithms for Hamiltonian simulation

Modern approach: QSVT

- Assume that we have access to U_H , an $(\alpha, m, 0)$ -block-encoding for H
- We can implement a $(1, m + 2, \epsilon)$ -block-encoding for e^{-iHt} using $\mathcal{O}(\alpha t + \log(1/\epsilon))$ queries to U_H

Time-dependent Hamiltonian simulation

The goal is to implement

$$\mathcal{T}e^{-i \int_0^t H(s) ds}$$

- Trotterization (Wiebe et al. '10):

High order (p -th order) generalization: $\mathcal{O}\left(\sum_{j=1}^m \|\partial_t^p H_j\|\right)^{\frac{1}{p+1}}$

- Series truncation (Berry et al. '15; Low-Wiebe '18; Kieferova et al. '18; An et al. '22):

Dyson series

$$\mathcal{T}e^{-i \int_0^t H(s) ds} = I - i \int_0^t dt_1 H(t_1) - \int_0^t dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 H(t_2) H(t_1) + \dots$$

LCU cost: $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha^2 t^2}{\epsilon}\right)$ where $\alpha = \max_{s \in [0, t]} \|H(s)\|$

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Quantum ODE solver

Quantum ODE Problem:

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = -A(t)u(t) + b(t), \quad u(0) = u_0$$

The goal is to prepare a quantum state encoding the solution in its amplitude:

$$|u(T)\rangle = \frac{1}{\|u(T)\|} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} u_j(T) |j\rangle$$

Quantum ODE solver: finite difference method

- Discretization:

$$\frac{u(t+h) - u(t)}{h} \approx -A(t)u(t) + b(t) \quad A_k := A(kh), \quad b_k := b(kh)$$

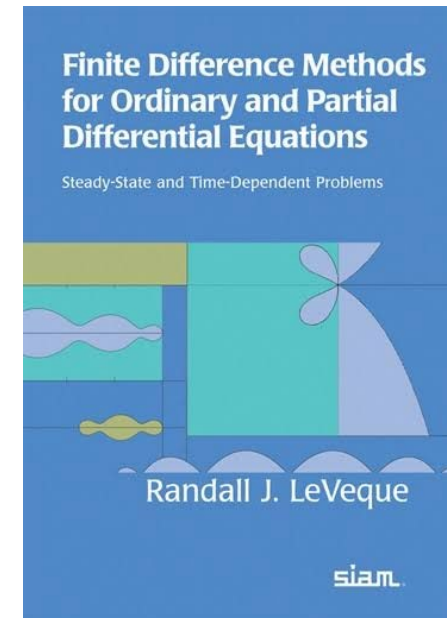
- Linear system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & & & & \\ -(I - hA_0) & I & & & \\ & -(I - hA_1) & I & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & -(I - hA_{n-1}) & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u(0) \\ u(h) \\ u(2h) \\ \vdots \\ u(T) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ b_0 h \\ b_1 h \\ \vdots \\ b_{n-1} h \end{bmatrix}$$

- QLSP + Dyson (Berry-Costa '22):

$\tilde{O}\left(\tilde{q}\alpha T \log^2\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ queries of A and $\tilde{O}\left(\tilde{q}\alpha T \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ queries of u_0

$$\tilde{q} := \max_t \|u(t)\|/\|u(T)\| \text{ and } \alpha := \max_t \|A(t)\|$$



Linear combination of Hamiltonian simulation (LCHS)

This method is designed to map any **non-unitary** dynamics to Hamiltonian simulation problems

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = -A(t)u(t), \quad u(0) = u_0$$

- Suppose $A(t)$ is **non-Hermitian**, and can be decomposed into Hermitian and anti-Hermitian parts:

$$A(t) = L(t) + \mathbf{i}H(t), \quad L(t) = \frac{A(t) + A^\dagger(t)}{2}, \quad H(t) = \frac{A(t) - A^\dagger(t)}{2\mathbf{i}}$$

- We assume that $L(t) \succcurlyeq 0$ for stability

Linear combination of Hamiltonian simulation (LCHS)

Theorem (An-Liu-Lin '23; An-Childs-Lin '23).

Suppose $A(t) = L(t) + \mathbf{i}H(t)$ and $L(t) \geq 0$, then

ODE solution: $\mathcal{T}e^{-\int_0^t A(s)ds} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)} U_k(t) dk$

Here $U_k(t)$ are unitaries that solve the Schrödinger equation:

$$\frac{dU_k(t)}{dt} = -\mathbf{i}(kL(t) + H(t))U_k(t), \quad U(0) = I$$

Time-dependent Hamiltonian simulation: $U_k(t) = \mathcal{T}e^{-\mathbf{i}\int_0^t (kL(s)+H(s))ds}$

Special cases

$$\mathcal{T}e^{-\int_0^t (L(s) + \mathbf{i}H(s))ds} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)} \mathcal{T}e^{-\mathbf{i}\int_0^t (kL(s) + H(s))ds} dk$$

- $A(t) \equiv \mathbf{i}H$ (only the anti-Hermitian part):

$$e^{-\mathbf{i}Ht} = e^{-\mathbf{i}Ht} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)} dk$$

➤ $\frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)}$ is the pdf of the Cauchy distribution

- $A(t) \equiv L$ (only the Hermitian part):

$$e^{-Lt} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)} e^{-\mathbf{i}ktL} dk$$

➤ $\frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)}$ is the Fourier transform of $e^{-|x|}$ and $L \geq 0$

LCHS algorithm

LCHS identity + integral truncation ($K = \mathcal{O}(1/\epsilon)$) + quadrature

$$\mathcal{T}e^{-\int_0^t A(s)ds} \approx \int_{-K}^K \frac{1}{\pi(1+k^2)} U_k(t) dk \approx \sum_j c_j U_j$$

Plug-in any time-dependent Hamiltonian simulation algorithms and LCU

Method	Query complexity	
	A	u_0
Dyson ⁸	$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(\tilde{q}\alpha T \log^2(\frac{1}{\epsilon}))$	$\mathcal{O}(\tilde{q}\alpha T \log(\frac{1}{\epsilon}))$
LCHS	$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(q^2\alpha T/\epsilon)$	$\mathcal{O}(q)$

Table: Comparison between LCHS and the state-of-the-art truncated Dyson series method. Here $\alpha = \max_t \|A(t)\|$, $q = \|u_0\|/\|u(T)\|$ and $\tilde{q} = \max_t \|u(t)\|/\|u(T)\|$ (we have $q \leq \tilde{q}$)

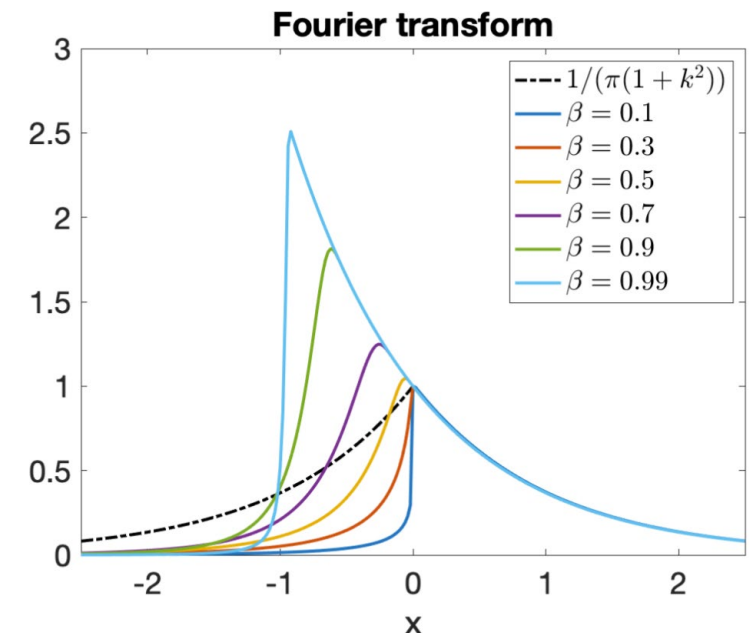
Change kernel function

$$e^{-(L+\mathbf{i}H)t} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1 - \mathbf{i}k} e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk$$

- $L \geq 0$, and when $H = 0$, we need:

$$e^{-x} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1 - \mathbf{i}k} e^{-\mathbf{i}kt} dk, \quad x \geq 0$$

- The same Fourier transform on the **positive real axis**
- Design freedom on the **negative real axis**



Improved LCHS

Theorem (An-Childs-Lin '23).

Suppose $f(z)$ is a function of $z \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfying the following conditions:

- **Analyticity:** $f(z)$ is analytic on the **lower half plane** $\{z : \text{Im}(z) < 0\}$ and continuous on $\{z : \text{Im}(z) \leq 0\}$
- **Decay:** $|f(z)| = \mathcal{O}(|z|^{-\alpha})$ for $\text{Im}(z) \leq 0$
- **Normalization:** $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1 - \mathbf{i}k} dk = 1$

Then, for $L(t) \geq 0$, the LCHS identity holds:

$$\mathcal{T}e^{-\int_0^t A(s)ds} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1 - \mathbf{i}k} \mathcal{T}e^{-\mathbf{i} \int_0^t (kL(s) + H(s))ds} dk$$

Nearly-optimal quantum ODE solver

- Nearly exponential decay kernel function:

$$f(z) \propto e^{-(1+iz)^\beta}, \quad \beta \in (0,1)$$

(the **sub-exp decay rate** $e^{-c|z|^\beta}$ is **near optimal** within the LCHS framework)

- The integral can be truncated with $K \sim \log^{1+1/\beta}(1/\epsilon)$
- By using a non-uniform quadrature (the composite Gaussian quadrature), the number of queries to A can be improved to

$$\tilde{O}(q\alpha T \log^{1+1/\beta}(1/\epsilon))$$

- Low-Somma '25:** $\log^{1+1/\beta}(1/\epsilon) \rightarrow \log(1/\epsilon)$ by extending the LCHS framework to an **approximate** version, which allows them to use an **exp decay** kernel

Proof of the LCHS identity

Time-independent case:

$$O_L(t) := e^{-(L+\mathbf{i}H)t} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1-\mathbf{i}k} e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk =: O_R(t)$$

We'll show that $O_L(t)$ and $O_R(t)$ follow the same ODE

- $\frac{d}{dt} O_L(t) = -(L + \mathbf{i}H)O_L(t)$
- $$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} O_R(t) &= \text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1-\mathbf{i}k} (-\mathbf{i}kL - \mathbf{i}H) e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk \\ &= \text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1-\mathbf{i}k} (-L - \mathbf{i}H + (1-\mathbf{i}k)L) e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk \\ &= -(L + \mathbf{i}H)O_R(t) + L \underbrace{\left(\text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(k) e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk \right)}_{\equiv 0} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the LCHS identity

- Change of variable $\omega = \mathbf{i}k$:

$$\text{p. v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(k) e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk = -\mathbf{i} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\mathbf{i}R}^{\mathbf{i}R} f(-\mathbf{i}\omega) e^{-\omega L t - \mathbf{i}H t} d\omega$$

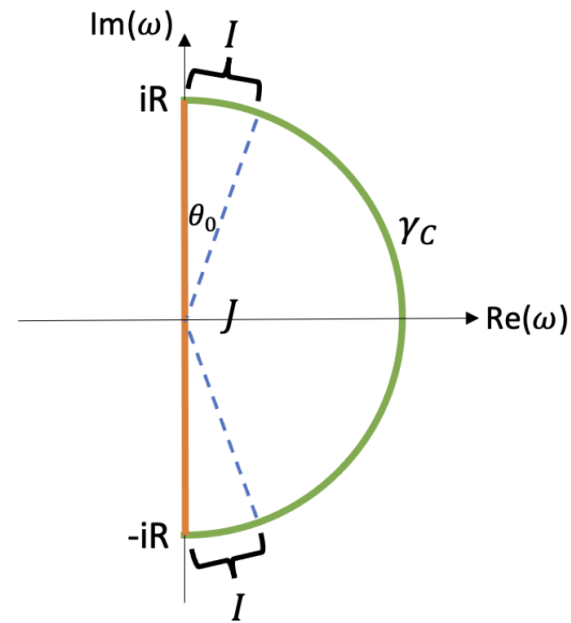
- Consider the curve $\gamma_C := \{\omega = R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta} : \theta \in [-\pi/2, \pi/2]\}$

- f is analytic on $\{z : \text{Im}(z) < 0\}$ implies that:

$$\int_{\gamma_C \cup [-\mathbf{i}R, \mathbf{i}R]} f(-\mathbf{i}\omega) e^{-\omega L t - \mathbf{i}H t} d\omega = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \mathbf{i}R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta} f(-\mathbf{i}R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta}) e^{-R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta} L t - \mathbf{i}H t} d\theta + \int_{\mathbf{i}R}^{-\mathbf{i}R} f(-\mathbf{i}\omega) e^{-\omega L t - \mathbf{i}H t} d\omega = 0$$

$$\text{p. v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(k) e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta} f(-\mathbf{i}R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta}) e^{-R e^{\mathbf{i}\theta} L t - \mathbf{i}H t} d\theta$$

- Divide $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ into $I \cup J$ where $I = [-\pi/2, -\theta_0] \cup [\theta_0, \pi/2]$



Proof of the LCHS identity

- Integral over J :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\| \int_J R e^{i\theta} f(-i R e^{i\theta}) e^{-R e^{i\theta} L t - i H t} d\theta \right\| \leq \int_J R |f(-i R e^{i\theta})| \left\| e^{-R e^{i\theta} L t} \right\| d\theta \\
 (L \geq \lambda_0) \quad & \leq \int_J R |f(-i R e^{i\theta})| e^{-R \lambda_0 t \cos \theta} d\theta \leq \int_J R |f(-i R e^{i\theta})| e^{-R \lambda_0 t \frac{2}{\pi} \theta_0} d\theta \quad (\cos \theta \geq \frac{2}{\pi} \theta_0 \text{ for } \theta \in J) \\
 (\text{decay of } f) \quad & \leq \int_J R \mathcal{O}(R^{-\alpha}) e^{-R \lambda_0 t \frac{2}{\pi} \theta_0} d\theta = R^{1-\alpha} e^{-\Omega(\theta_0 R)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

- Integral over I :

$$\left\| \int_I R e^{i\theta} f(-i R e^{i\theta}) e^{-R e^{i\theta} L t - i H t} d\theta \right\| \leq \int_I R |f(-i R e^{i\theta})| d\theta = \mathcal{O}(R^{1-\alpha} \theta_0) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty$$

- We can take $\theta_0 = R^{-1+\alpha/2}$

Proof of the LCHS identity

Time-independent case:

$$O_L(t) := e^{-(L+\mathbf{i}H)t} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1 - \mathbf{i}k} e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk =: O_R(t)$$

We'll show that $O_L(t)$ and $O_R(t)$ follow the same ODE

- $\frac{d}{dt} O_L(t) = -(L + \mathbf{i}H)O_L(t)$
- $\frac{d}{dt} O_R(t) = -(L + \mathbf{i}H)O_R(t) + L(\text{p.v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(k)e^{-\mathbf{i}(kL+H)t} dk) = -(L + \mathbf{i}H)O_R(t)$



Improved LCHS with user-friendly conditions

Theorem (Huang-An '25).

Suppose $f(k)$ is a function of $k \in \mathbb{R}$, and $F(x)$ is the Fourier transform of $\frac{f(k)}{1-ik}$

- $F(x) = e^{-x}$ when $x \geq 0$
- **Smoothness and integrability:** $F(x) \in C^2(\mathbb{R}) \cap W^{2,1}(\mathbb{R})$

Then, for $L(t) \geq 0$, the LCHS identity holds:

$$\mathcal{T}e^{-\int_0^t A(s)ds} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{f(k)}{1-ik} \mathcal{T}e^{-i\int_0^t (kL(s)+H(s))ds} dk$$

To design a **good kernel**, we want to minimize:

- Truncation parameter K
- Overall complexity $K \int_{-K}^K \left| \frac{f(k)}{1-ik} \right| dk$