

THEORY OF COMPUTATION

Turing machines

A (deterministic) Turing machine (TM) is a tuple

$$M = (Q, \Sigma, \Gamma, \delta)$$

where

Q is a finite set containing the elements

$$\begin{aligned} q_0 &: \text{start state} \\ q_a &: \text{accept state} \\ q_r &: \text{reject state.} \end{aligned}$$

Γ is a finite set containing

$$\begin{aligned} \triangleright &: \text{start symbol} \\ \sqcup &: \text{blank symbol} \end{aligned}$$

and a subset Σ not containing \sqcup .

δ is a function (transition function)

$$\delta: Q \times \Gamma \rightarrow Q \times \Gamma \times \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

such that

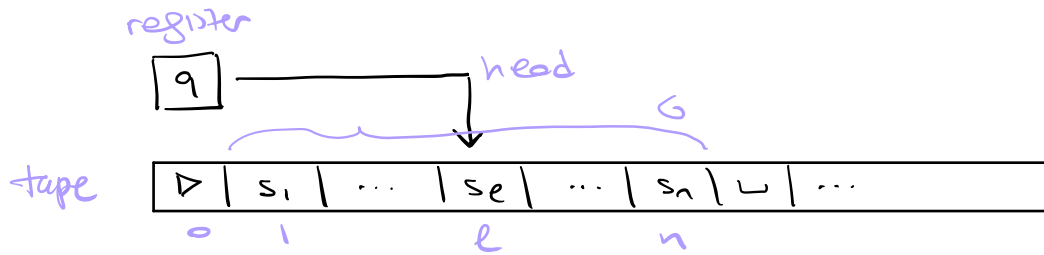
$$\delta(q, \triangleright) = (q', \triangleright, \Delta), \quad \Delta \neq -1.$$

$$\delta(q_a, \sqcup) = (q_a, \sqcup, 0),$$

$$\delta(q_r, \sqcup) = (q_r, \sqcup, 0).$$

Interpretation :
 Q : states
 Γ : alphabet
 Σ : input alphabet
 δ : transition function

Representation of M as a tape:



Configuration at a given step is denoted by $\langle q, G, \ell \rangle$ where

$$q \in Q$$

$$\ell \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$G \in \Gamma^* = \bigsqcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \Gamma^k.$$

Initial configuration is given by

$$\langle q_0, G, 0 \rangle$$

where $G = s_1 \dots s_n \in \Sigma^*$ is the input.

If $\langle q, G, \ell \rangle$ is the configuration at step t then the configuration $\langle q', G', \ell' \rangle$ at step $t+1$ is given by

$$G' = s_1 \dots s_{\ell-1} s'_\ell s_{\ell+1} \dots s_n$$

$$\ell' = \ell + \Delta, \quad \Delta \in \{-1, 0, 1\},$$

where q', s'_ℓ, Δ are determined by

$$\Delta(q, s_\ell) = (q', s'_\ell, \Delta).$$

We require M to satisfy one of the three possibilities:

1) M halts with q_r :

$$M(G) = 0 \quad (M \text{ rejects } G)$$

2) M halts with q_a :

$$M(G) = 1 \quad (M \text{ accepts } G)$$

3) M does not halt. (M loops)

If M halts then the final configuration is

$$\langle q, \vec{G}, l \rangle$$

where $q = q_a$ or q_r and

$$\vec{G} = \vec{s}_1 \dots \vec{s}_m \text{ is the output.}$$

defined on a subset

Let $\varphi_M: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ denote the partial function

$$\varphi_M(G) = \vec{G}$$

if $M(G) \in \{0, 1\}$ and $\vec{G} \in \Sigma^*$.

A TM such that $M(G) \in \{0, 1\}$ for all $G \in \Sigma^*$ is called a decider.

A function $f: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ is computable if \exists a decider TM M such that

$$f(G) = \varphi_M(G), \quad \forall G \in \Sigma^*.$$

A subset $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is called a language.

To a TM M we can associate the language

$$L(M) = \{ G \in \Sigma^* : M(G) = 1 \}.$$

A language L is Turing-recognizable if

\exists TM M such that

*not required
to be decider*

$$L = L(M).$$

A language is decidable if \exists a decider TM

M such that

$$L = L(M).$$

A function $P: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ is called a predicate.

A predicate can be identified with the language

$$L(P) = \{ G \in \Sigma^* : P(G) = 1 \}$$

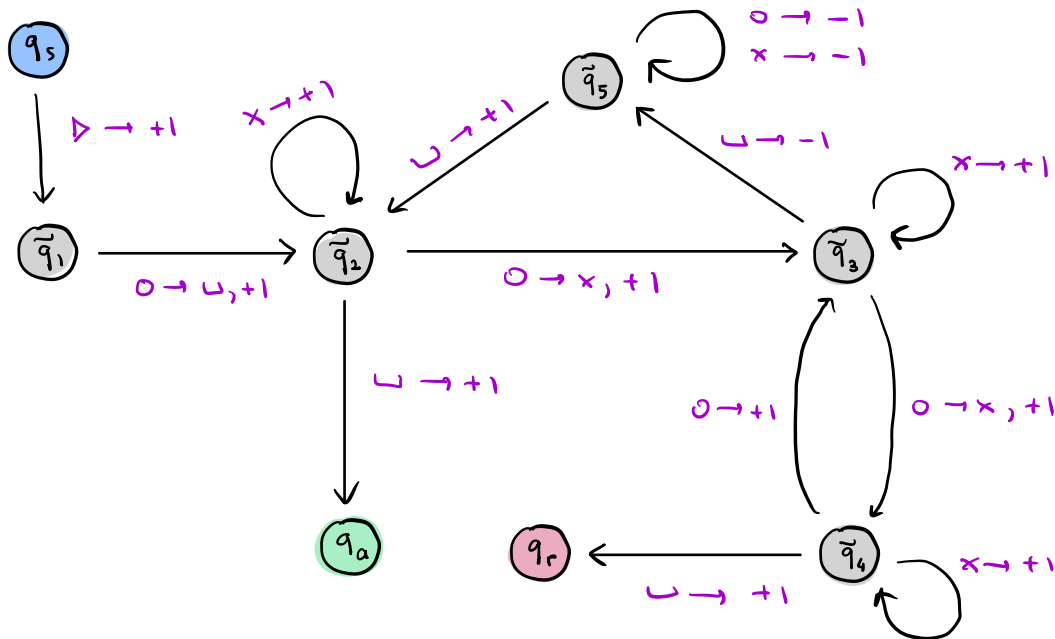
We say P is computable (or decidable)

if $L(P)$ is decidable.

Ex: Let $\Sigma = \{0\}$.

$L = \{0^{2^n} : n > 0\} \subset \Sigma^*$ is decidable:

We describe the TM that decides this language:



$$\Gamma = \{\triangleright, \sqcup, x\} \cup \{0\}.$$

For example:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle q_s, 00, 0 \rangle &\mapsto \langle \tilde{q}_1, 00, 1 \rangle \\ &\mapsto \langle \tilde{q}_2, \sqcup 0, 2 \rangle \\ &\mapsto \langle \tilde{q}_3, \sqcup x, 3 \rangle \\ &\mapsto \langle \tilde{q}_5, \sqcup x, 2 \rangle \\ &\mapsto \langle \tilde{q}_5, \sqcup x, 1 \rangle \\ &\mapsto \langle q_a, \sqcup x, 2 \rangle \quad (\text{accept}) \end{aligned}$$

HW: Test other inputs.

Universal Turing machine

To each TM M we will assign a bit string

$$M \mapsto \langle M \rangle \in \mathbb{B}^*$$

in the following way:

We choose binary representation for the following additional characters

$$s \quad q \quad (\quad) \quad ,$$

Then

1) Encode elements of Q by

$$\tilde{q} \mapsto q b_i \dots b_0 \in \mathbb{B}^*$$

2) Encode elements of Γ by

$$\Sigma \ni \tilde{s} \mapsto s b_j \dots b_0 \in \mathbb{B}^*$$

and the special symbols by

$$\begin{array}{l} \ulcorner \mapsto s \underbrace{0^{j-1}}_{j-1} 00 \\ \text{stay} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \mapsto s 0^{j-1} 01 \\ \text{left move} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -1 \mapsto s 0^{j-1} 10 \\ \text{right move} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} +1 \mapsto s 0^{j-1} 11 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

where i and j are large enough so that each element is represented by a distinct string.

3) Encoding δ :

$$\delta(\tilde{q}, \tilde{s}) = (\tilde{q}', \tilde{s}', \ell)$$

$$(qb_i \dots b_0, sa_j \dots a_0, qb'_i \dots b'_0, sa'_j \dots a'_0, \alpha)$$

where α is either $s0^{\delta-1}01$ or $s0^{\delta-1}10$
or $s0^{\delta-1}11$.

Let $\langle M \rangle \in \mathbb{B}^*$ denote the string obtained
by concatenating strings in (3) separated
by a comma in the lexicographic order.

We can associate a natural number:

$$M \mapsto \langle M \rangle \mapsto n \in \mathbb{N}$$

where the last map is

$$b_n \dots b_0 \in \mathbb{B}^* \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^n b_i 2^i.$$

universal TM

Theorem: There exists a TM U such that

$$U(\underbrace{\langle M, G \rangle}_{\text{binary encoding}}) = M(G) \quad \forall \text{ TM } M, \\ \forall G \in \Sigma^*$$

Existence of U implies that the language

$$L_{\text{TM}} = \left\{ \langle M, G \rangle : M \text{ is a TM} \right. \\ \left. \text{such that } M(G) = 1 \right\}$$

is Turing-recognizable: $L_{\text{TM}} = L(U)$.

Halting problem

No decider TM that can compute it.

Theorem: L_{TM} is undecidable.

Proof: Suppose that H is a decider for L_{TM} . Then

$$H(\langle M, G \rangle) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } M(G) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } M(G) \in \{0, \text{loop}\}. \end{cases}$$

Use H to construct another TM D :

On input $\langle M \rangle$ run $H(\langle M, M \rangle)$

- accept if H rejects. $\Leftrightarrow M(G) = 1$.

- reject if H accepts. $\Leftrightarrow M(G) \in \{0, \text{loop}\}$

We have a contradiction:

$$D(\langle D \rangle) = \begin{cases} 1 & D(\langle D \rangle) = 0 \\ 0 & D(\langle D \rangle) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore H does not exist.

This is called the diagonalization argument:

	$\langle M_0 \rangle$	$\langle M_1 \rangle$	$\langle M_2 \rangle$...	$\langle D \rangle$
M_0	0	1	1	...	
M_1	0	1	0		
M_2	0	0	0		
\vdots					
D	1	0	1	...	?



Non deterministic TM

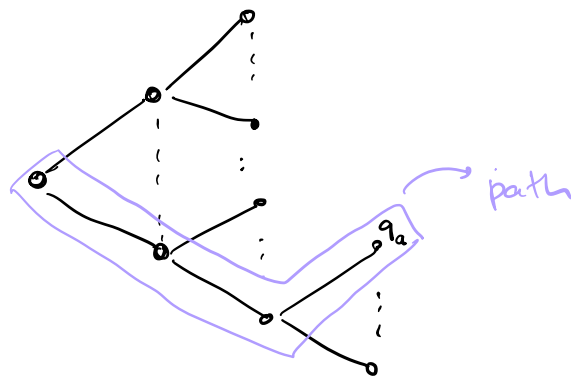
A non deterministic TM N is a triple (Γ, Q, δ) where Γ, Q as before and

$$\delta: Q \times \Gamma \longrightarrow \underbrace{P(Q \times \Gamma \times \{-1, 0, +1\})}_{\text{collection of subsets}}$$

that is

$$\delta(q, s) = \{(\bar{q}_1, \bar{s}_1, \bar{l}_1), \dots, (\bar{q}_n, \bar{s}_n, \bar{l}_n)\}.$$

Computation branches out like a tree:



We write

$$N(G) = \begin{cases} \downarrow & \text{if a path reaches } q_a \\ 0 & \text{if every path halts} \\ & \text{without reaching } q_a \end{cases}$$

Theorem: Computational power of non deterministic TM is the same as the computational power of a deterministic TM.

(Both kinds compute the same class of functions.)

Circuits

Let \mathcal{A} be a set of Boolean functions:

$$\mathcal{A} = \{ f_j : B^s \rightarrow B \}.$$

A circuit C over \mathcal{A} consists of

- 1) input variables x_1, \dots, x_n
- 2) auxiliary variables y_1, \dots, y_m

$$y_j = f_j(u_1, \dots, u_{r_j})$$

where $f_j \in \mathcal{A}$ and

$$u_i = \begin{cases} x_1, \dots, x_n \\ \text{or} \\ y_k \text{ where } k < j. \end{cases}$$

y_m is the output of the circuit.

Representable as directed acyclic graph:

Directed graph $G = (V, E)$ consists of

V : a set of vertices, and

$E \subset V \times V$: a set of directed edges.

Acyclic means that there are no cycles.

The vertex set is partitioned as follows:

$$V = \underbrace{\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}}_{\text{sources}} \cup \underbrace{\{f_1, \dots, f_m\}}_{\text{gates}} \cup \underbrace{\{y_m\}}_{\text{sink}}$$

C computes $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ if

$$\underbrace{C(a_1, \dots, a_n)}_{y_m} = f(a_1, \dots, a_n) \quad \forall a_i \in \mathbb{B}.$$

Ex: $\mathcal{A} = \{ \wedge, \vee, \neg \}$

a) NOT: $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$, $x \mapsto \neg x$

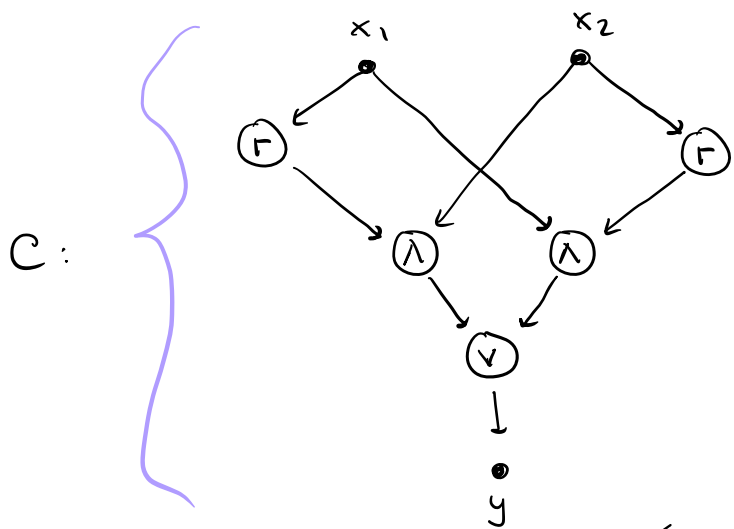
$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \mapsto \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array}$$

b) OR: $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$, $(x, y) \mapsto x \vee y$ (disjunction)

$$\begin{array}{cc} 00 & 0 \\ 01 & 1 \\ 10 & 1 \\ 11 & 1 \end{array} \mapsto \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

c) AND: $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$, $(x, y) \mapsto x \wedge y$ (conjunction)

$$\begin{array}{cc} 00 & 0 \\ 01 & 0 \\ 10 & 0 \\ 11 & 1 \end{array} \mapsto \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array}$$



$$C(x_1, x_2) = \text{XOR}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & x_1 \neq x_2 \\ 0 & x_1 = x_2 \end{cases}$$

Normal forms

A function of the form

$$f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^m$$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$$

is called a logic gate.

Such a function amounts to a family of Boolean functions:

$$f_i: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

$$f_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y_i.$$

Disjunctive normal form (DNF):

Any Boolean function $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ can be written as a disjunction of conjunctions of literals (x_i or $\neg x_i$).

Proof: Let

$$S = \{u = (u_1, \dots, u_n) \in \mathbb{B}^n : f(u_1, \dots, u_n) = 1\}.$$

Then we have

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \bigvee_{u \in S} \delta_u(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

where

$$\delta_u(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x_i = u_i \quad \forall i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Each δ_u can be written as

$$\delta_u(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \text{NOT}^{u_1}(x_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \text{NOT}^{u_n}(x_n),$$

where

$$\text{NOT}^a(x) = \begin{cases} \neg x & a=0 \\ x & a=1 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & a=x \\ 0 & a \neq x. \end{cases}$$

□

Ex: 1) NAND : $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto \neg(x_1 \wedge x_2)$

$$S = \{ (0,0), (0,1), (1,0) \}$$

$$\text{NAND}(x_1, x_2) = (\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2) \vee (\neg x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge \neg x_2)$$

2) XOR : $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto x_1 \oplus x_2$

$$S = \{ (0,1), (1,0) \}$$

$$\text{XOR}(x_1, x_2) = (\neg x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge \neg x_2)$$

Conjunctive normal form (CNF)

Let $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ be a Boolean function.

Write $g = \neg f$ in DNF

$$g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \bigvee_{u \in S} \delta_u(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

We will use the following De Morgan's identities

$$x \wedge y = \neg(\neg x \vee \neg y)$$

$$x \vee y = \neg(\neg x \wedge \neg y)$$

Applying \neg to g we obtain

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \neg g(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$= \neg \left(\bigvee_{u \in S} \delta_u(x_1, \dots, x_n) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(\bigwedge_{u \in S} \underbrace{\neg \sum_u (x_1, \dots, x_n)}_{\neg \left(\bigwedge_i \text{NOT}^{u_i}(x_i) \right)} \right) \\
 &= \bigwedge_{u \in S} \bigvee_i \underbrace{\neg \text{NOT}^{u_i}(x_i)}_{\text{literals}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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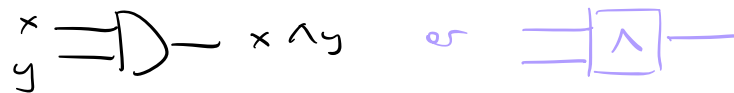
Representing circuits using wires

A circuit computing f can be represented using "wires" and "gates":

a) NOT: $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$



b) AND: $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$

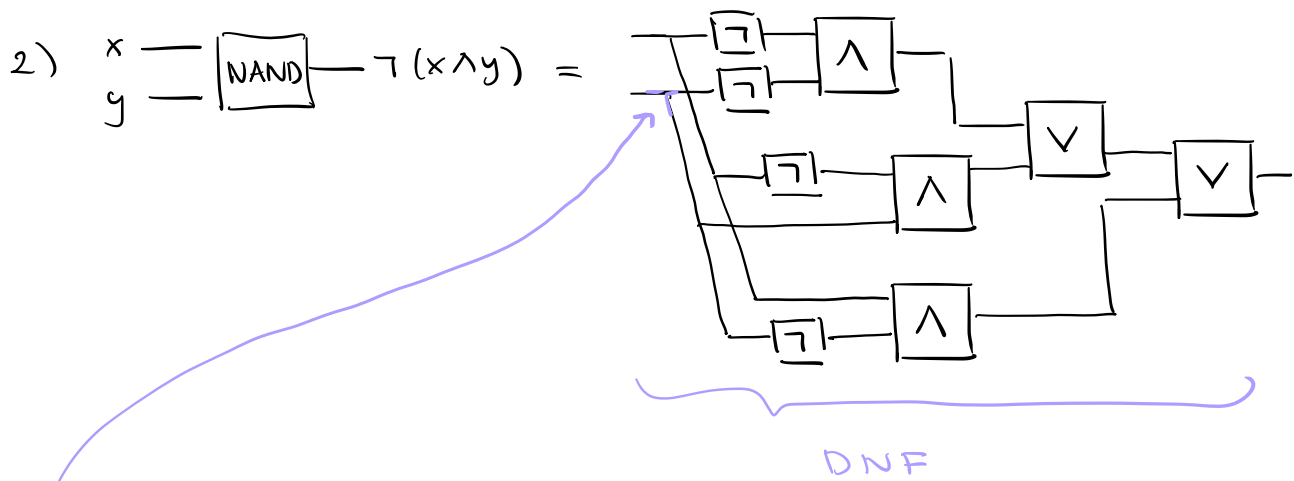
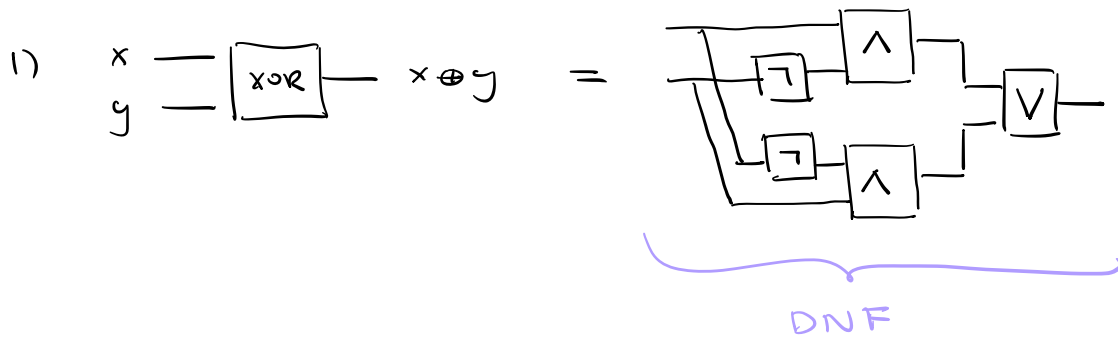


c) OR: $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$



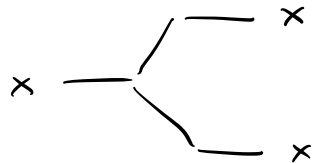
These basic gates can be composed to obtain more complicated circuits.

Ex :

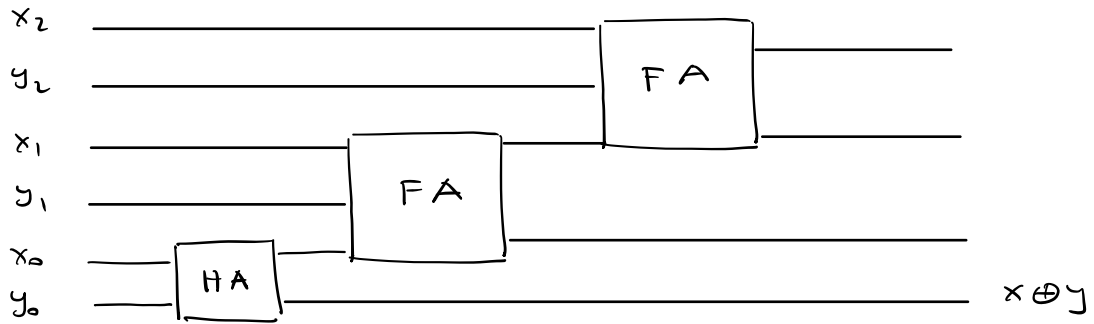


In the circuits we are using a new gate splitting a bit into two copies :

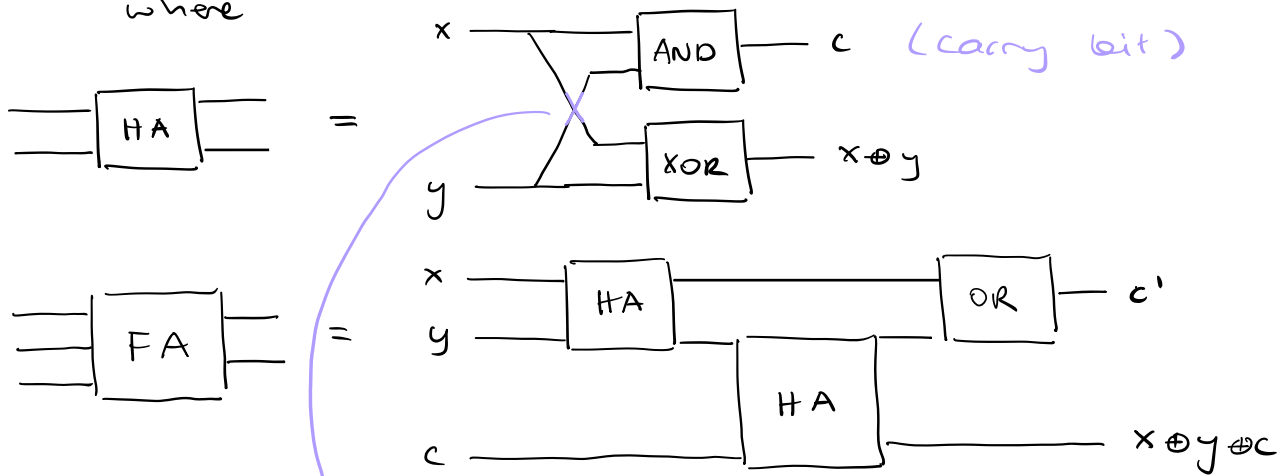
$$\text{FANOUT} : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^2 \quad x \mapsto (x, x)$$



3) Adding $x = x_2 x_1 x_0$ and $y = y_2 y_1 y_0$:

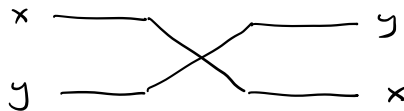


where



(SWAP)

CROSSOVER : $B^2 \rightarrow B^2$



Universal gates

A set $A = \{ f_j : \mathbb{B}^s \rightarrow \mathbb{B} \}$ is called universal if any $f : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ ($n \geq 1$) can be computed using a circuit over A .

Theorem: $A = \{ \vee, \wedge, \neg \}$ is universal.

Proof: Given $f : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ use DNF to write it as

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \bigvee_{u \in S} \delta_u(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

and translate this into a circuit:

a) Let $f : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ ($n=1$). There are 4 possibilities:

i) $\begin{matrix} 0 & \mapsto & 0 \\ 1 & & 1 \end{matrix} : x \text{ ————— } x$

ii) $\begin{matrix} 0 & \mapsto & 1 \\ 1 & & 0 \end{matrix} : x \text{ — } \boxed{\neg} \text{ — } \neg x$

iii) $\begin{matrix} 0 & \mapsto & 0 \\ 1 & & 0 \end{matrix} : \begin{matrix} 0 \\ x \end{matrix} \text{ — } \boxed{\wedge} \text{ — } 0$

iv) $\begin{matrix} 0 & \mapsto & 1 \\ 1 & & 1 \end{matrix} : \begin{matrix} 0 \\ x \end{matrix} \text{ — } \boxed{\vee} \text{ — } 1$

b) The circuit for an arbitrary $f : \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ ($n \geq 2$) looks like

Other universal gates (wires, ancillas, FANOUT's provides)

1) $\mathcal{A} = \{ \neg, \wedge \}$ since

$$x_1 \vee x_2 = \neg(\neg x_1 \wedge \neg x_2).$$

2) $\mathcal{A} = \{ \neg, \vee \}$ since

$$x_1 \wedge x_2 = \neg(\neg x_1 \vee \neg x_2)$$

3) $\mathcal{A} = \{ \wedge, \oplus \}$

4) $\mathcal{A} = \{ \text{NAND} \}$ $\text{NAND}(x, y) = \neg(x \wedge y)$)

5) $\mathcal{A} = \{ \text{NOR} \}$ $\text{NOR}(x, y) = \neg(x \vee y)$)

HW: 2, 4, 5 are universal.

Turing machine vs Circuit model

A predicate $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ gives a sequence of Boolean functions

$$f_n: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$$

$$f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(x_1 \dots x_n) \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

Each f_n can be computed by a circuit C_n .

Therefore $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ can be used to compute f .

On the other hand, there are predicates that cannot be computed by a TM.

Uniform circuit family

A family of circuits $\{C_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is called uniform if there exists a TM M such that

$$\varphi_M : \mathbb{B}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^* \quad (\text{function computed by } M)$$

$$\varphi_M(\underbrace{\langle n \rangle}_{\text{bit string}}) = \underbrace{\langle C_n \rangle}_{\text{bit string}}$$

Theorem: The class of functions computable by a TM is the same as the class of functions computable by a uniform circuit family.

Church - Turing thesis

The class of functions computable by a TM is the same as the class of functions computable by an algorithm.

running on a physically realizable computation device

Complexity classes

Let f and g be functions $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$.

We say $f(n)$ is in the class of functions $O(g(n))$ if there exists $c, n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$f(n) \leq c g(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

For short we say $f(n)$ is $O(g(n))$ and write $f(n) = O(g(n))$.

Ex: 1) If $f(n)$ is a polynomial of degree k then $f(n) = O(n^l)$ for $l \geq k \geq 0$:

First observe that

$$n^k \leq n^l \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

$$\text{Let } f(n) = \sum_{i=0}^k \alpha_i n^i.$$

Then

$$f(n) \leq n^k \sum_{i=0}^k |\alpha_i| \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

2) $\log n = O(n^k)$ for any $k > 0$.

HW: prove (2).

We say $f(n) \geq \Omega(g(n))$ if there exists $c, n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$c g(n) \leq f(n) \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

We say $f(n) \geq \Theta(g(n))$ if $f(n)$ is both $O(g(n))$ and $\Omega(g(n))$.

Let M be a decider TM.

The time complexity of M is the function

$$t_M: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

defined by

$t_M(n)$: the maximum number of steps M performs on any input of length n .

We say M is a $t_M(n)$ time TM.

Let N be a decider non-deterministic TM.

Time complexity of N :

$$t_N: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

where

$t_N(n)$: the maximum number of steps N performs on any branch of its computation on any input of length n .

We say N is a $t_N(n)$ time non-deterministic TM.

Let $t: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be a function.

The time complexity class $\text{Time}(t(n))$

is defined by

$\text{Time}(t(n)) = \{ L : L \text{ is a language decided by an } O(t(n)) \text{ time deterministic TM} \}$

The non-deterministic time complexity class:

$\text{NTIME}(t(n)) = \{ L : L \text{ is decided on a } O(t(n)) \text{ time nondeterministic TM} \}$

P vs NP

P is the class of languages decidable in polynomial time on a deterministic TM:

$$P = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Time}(n^k).$$

Nondeterministic polynomial time complexity:

$$NP = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \text{NTIME}(n^k).$$

Unsolved problem: Is $P = NP$?

(Common belief is that $P \neq NP$)

A verifier for a language $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$ is a TM V such that

$$L = \{ G : V \text{ accepts } \langle G, w \rangle \text{ for some } w \in \Sigma^* \}$$

↑
witness

Time complexity of V is measured as a function of the length of G .

Theorem : $L \in NP \iff L$ has a polynomial time verifier.

Proof :

The sequence of non-deterministic choices made by an accepting computational branch can be seen as a witness, and vice versa.



Problems that are in P:

Graphs can be encoded as a list of vertices and edges. Another way is to use the adjacency matrix. We assume that the size of the encoding is polynomial in the number of vertices.

1) $\text{PATH}(G) = \{ \langle G, s, t \rangle : G = (V, E) \text{ is a directed graph that has a directed path from vertex } s \text{ to vertex } t \}$.

Algorithm: Repeat the following until no new vertices are marked:

Scan all the edges of G .

For an edge (a, b) , mark b if a is marked.

This step runs $|V|$ times.

2) $\text{RELPRIME} = \{ \langle x, y \rangle : x \text{ and } y \text{ relatively prime} \}$
 $\text{gcd}(x, y) = 1$ \nearrow prime

Algorithm: Use Euclid's algorithm to find the greatest common divisor:

$$x = q_0 y + r_0$$

$$y = q_1 r_0 + r_1$$

$$r_0 = q_2 r_1 + r_2$$

...

$$r_{N-2} = q_N r_{N-1} + r_N$$

$$r_{N-1} = \text{gcd}(x, y).$$

HW: This step runs $\text{min} \{ 2 \log x, 2 \log y \}$ times.

Problems in NP:

- 1) A Hamiltonian path in a directed graph is a directed path that goes through each vertex exactly once.

HAMPATH = $\{ \langle G, s, t \rangle : G \text{ is a directed graph with a Hamiltonian path from } s \text{ to } t \}$

- 2) FACTORING = $\{ \langle x, \ell \rangle : \ell < x \text{ and } \exists 1 < k < \ell \text{ such that } k \text{ divides } x \}$

Verifiability can be done in polynomial time by long division.

- 3) A Boolean formula is an expression ϕ involving Boolean variables $\{x_i\}$ and operators $\{\wedge, \vee, \neg\}$.

E.g. $\phi = (\neg x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge \neg x_3)$.

A Boolean formula is a circuit where each auxiliary variable, except the last one, is used exactly once.

A Boolean formula is satisfiable if there exists $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{B}^n$ such that

$$\phi(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 1.$$

SAT = $\{ \langle \phi \rangle : \phi \text{ is a satisfiable Boolean formula} \}$

Theorem [Cook - Levin]

$$\text{SAT} \in P \iff P = NP.$$

Reducibility

or efficiently reducible ↷

A language L_1 is (polynomial time) reducible to another language L_2 if there exists

a polynomial time TM M such that

$\varphi_M: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \Sigma^*$ is a function and

$$G \in L_1 \iff \varphi_M(G) \in L_2$$

→ $t_M(n) = O(n^k)$

A language $L \in NP$ is NP-complete if any other language in NP is reducible to L .

Restatement of Cook - Levin theorem:

SAT is NP-complete.

Also HAMPATH is NP-complete.

BPP

A probabilistic TM is a nondeterministic TM

$M = (\Gamma, Q, \delta)$ such that

- M either accepts or rejects:

$$M(b) \in \{0, 1\}$$

- $\delta(q, b) = \{ \delta_0(q, b), \delta_1(q, b) \}$
 $\in P(Q \times \Gamma \times \{\pm 1, 0\})$

and at each step of computation a fair coin flip decides whether to apply δ_0 or δ_1 .

We define the probability that M accepts b :

$$p(M(b)=1) = \sum_b p(b)$$

where b runs over accepting branches and

$$p(b) = 2^{-k}, \quad k: \text{number of coin flips.}$$

Probability that M rejects:

$$p(M(b)=0) = 1 - p(M(b)=1).$$

Given a language L , let $P_L: \Sigma^* \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ denote the predicate defined by

$$P_L(b) = \begin{cases} 1 & b \in L \\ 0 & b \notin L. \end{cases}$$

We define $\overset{\text{success probability}}{\text{error probability}}$

- $P_{\text{succ}}(M)$: probability that $M(b) = P_L(b)$
- $P_{\text{err}}(M) = 1 - P_{\text{succ}}(M)$.

M decides L with error probability $\epsilon < 1/2$ if

$$P_{\text{err}}(M) \leq \epsilon.$$

BPP is the class of languages decided by a probabilistic polynomial time TM with error probability of $1/3$.

\rightarrow regarded as nondeterministic TM

\leftarrow bounded-error probabilistic polynomial time

By definition $P \subset BPP$. However, the relationship to NP is not known.

Ex: $\text{PRIMES} = \{ \langle n \rangle : n \text{ is prime} \}$

Recent progress: $\text{PRIMES} \in P$ (2002)

Amplification lemma

Let M be a probabilistic polynomial time TM that decides L with error probability $\epsilon_M < 1/2$.

Given a polynomial $p(n)$, there exists

a probabilistic polynomial time TM N that decides L with error probability

$$\epsilon_N \leq 2^{-p(n)}.$$

Strong Church - Turing thesis

Any model of computation can be simulated on a probabilistic TM with at most a polynomial increase in the number of steps.

efficient simulation

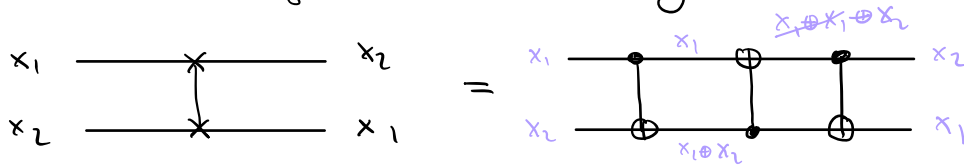
Reversible computation

A logic gate $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^n$ is called reversible if f is a permutation.

Ex: 1) NOT: $\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ $x \mapsto x+1$

2) CNOT: $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^2$ $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto (x_1, x_2 \oplus x_1)$

Another useful reversible gate:

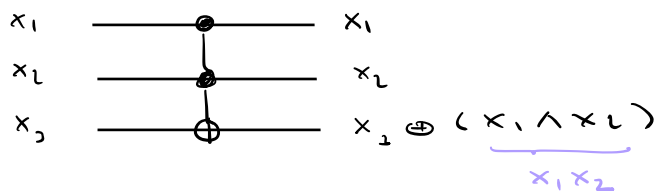


This is called SWAP (or CROSSOVER).

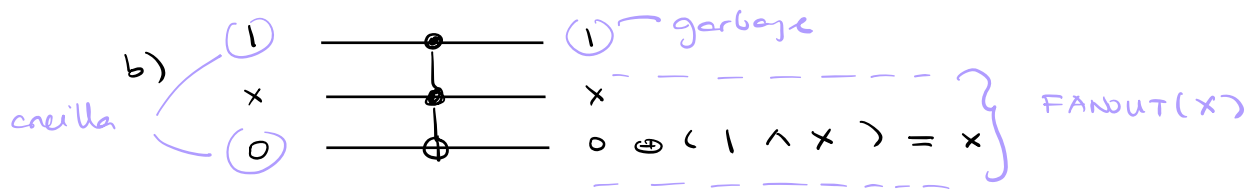
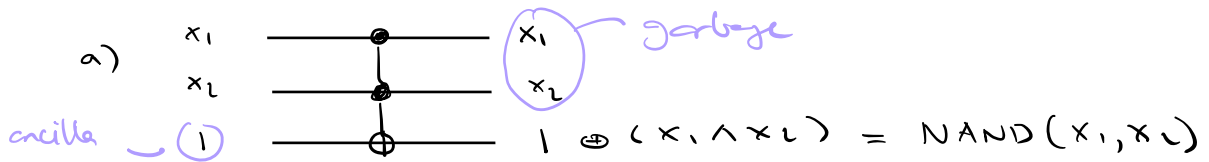
3) Toffoli gate:

CCNOT: $\mathbb{B}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^3$

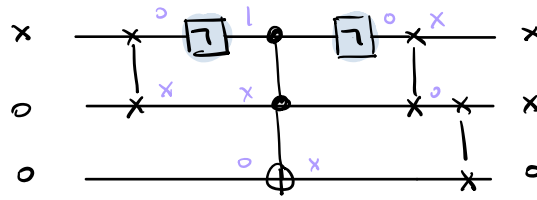
HW: Reversible gates of the form $\mathbb{B}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^2$ are not universal.



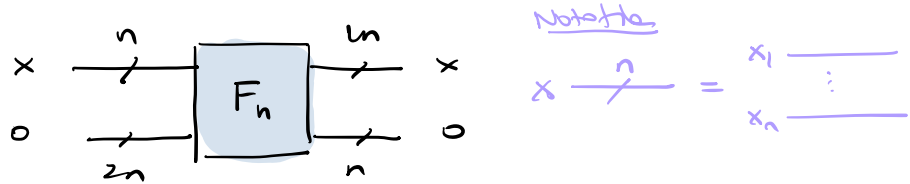
Using the Toffoli gate we can implement:



Using NOT & CNOT we can implement



In general, we can implement



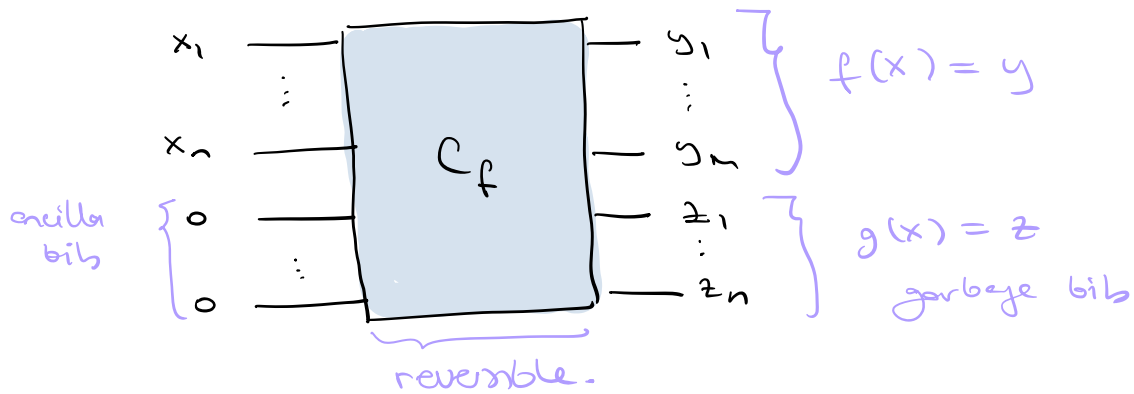
Note that if ancilla bits are used and garbage bits are ignored the universal gate set $\{ \text{NAND}, \text{FANOUT} \}$ can be implemented using the Toffoli gates.

Pro : Any logic gate $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^m$ can be implemented as a circuit over $\{ \text{NOT}, \text{CNOT}, \text{CCNOT} \}$ which after ignoring the ancilla and garbage bits (both given by a sequence of 0's) corresponds to the reversible gate:

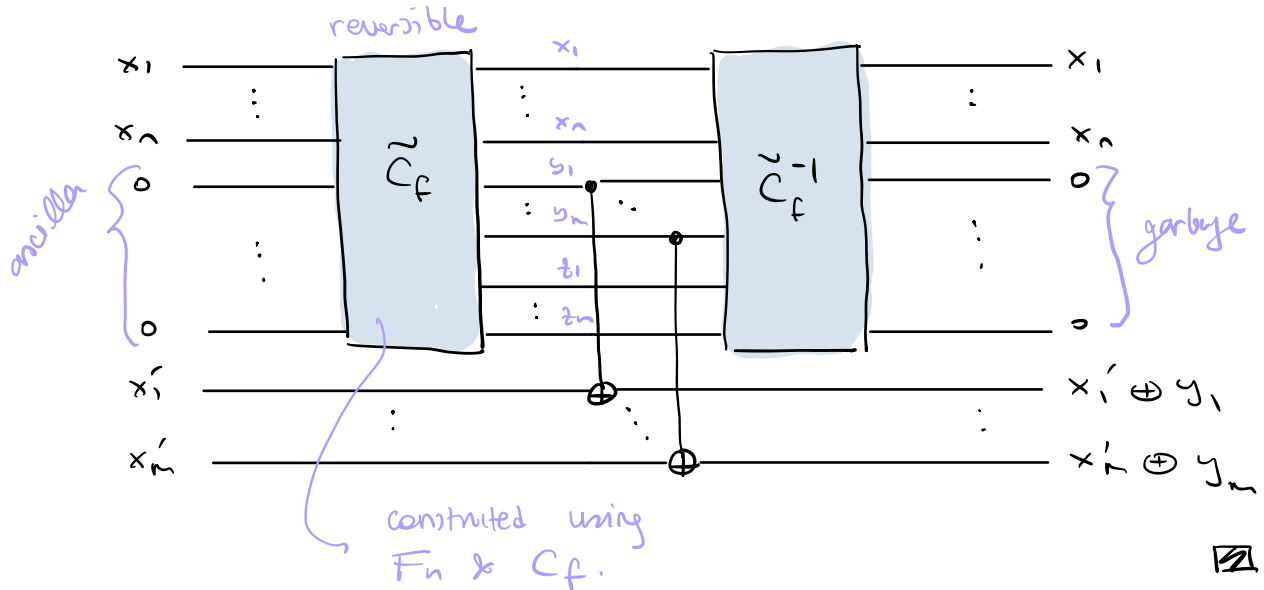
$$\tilde{f}: \mathbb{B}^{n+m} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^{n+m}$$

$$\tilde{f}(x, x') = (x, x' \oplus f(x)).$$

Proof: First express f as a circuit over $\{NAND, FANOUT\}$. Then replace each elementary gate with its implementation using the Toffoli gate. Using $\{NOT, CNOT\}$ we have



We can arrange the garbage bits to be independent of the input x :



HW: Count the ancillas needed & extra gates to implement a circuit in a reversible way.

Quantum computation

Lemma: Any $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)$ can be written as

$$U = e^{i\alpha} R_z(\beta) R_y(\gamma) R_z(\delta).$$

Proof: Recall that we can write

$$U = e^{i\alpha} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{determinant} = 1}.$$

The condition $U^{-1} = U^\dagger$ implies that

$$\begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{a} & \bar{c} \\ \bar{b} & \bar{d} \end{pmatrix},$$

i.e., $d = \bar{a}$ and $b = -\bar{c}$.

This gives

$$U = e^{i\alpha} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a & -\bar{c} \\ c & \bar{a} \end{pmatrix}}_{\det = 1}, \quad \underbrace{|a|^2 + |c|^2 = 1}.$$

We can write $|a| = \cos \gamma/2$ and $|c| = \sin \gamma/2$

for some $\gamma \in [0, 2\pi)$.

Then

$$U = e^{i\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\beta} \cos \gamma/2 & -e^{-i\epsilon} \sin \gamma/2 \\ e^{i\epsilon} \sin \gamma/2 & e^{-i\beta} \cos \gamma/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Choosing β, δ such that

$$\beta = -(\beta + \delta)/2 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta = (\beta - \delta)/2$$

we obtain

$$U = e^{i\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\beta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\beta/2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma/2 & -\sin \gamma/2 \\ \sin \gamma/2 & \cos \gamma/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\delta/2} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\delta/2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \square$$

Cor: $U = e^{i\alpha} A X B X C$ where $A, B, C \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)$
 such that $A B C = \mathbb{1}$.

Proof: Let

$$A = R_z(\rho) R_y(\gamma/2)$$

$$B = R_y(-\gamma/2) R_z(-(\delta+\rho)/2)$$

$$C = R_z((\delta-\rho)/2).$$

Then $A B C = \mathbb{1}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} A X B X C &= A (X R_y(-\gamma/2) R_z(-(\delta+\rho)/2) X) C \\ &= A R_y(\gamma/2) R_z((\delta+\rho)/2) C \\ &= R_z(\rho) R_y(\gamma) R_z(\delta) \end{aligned}$$

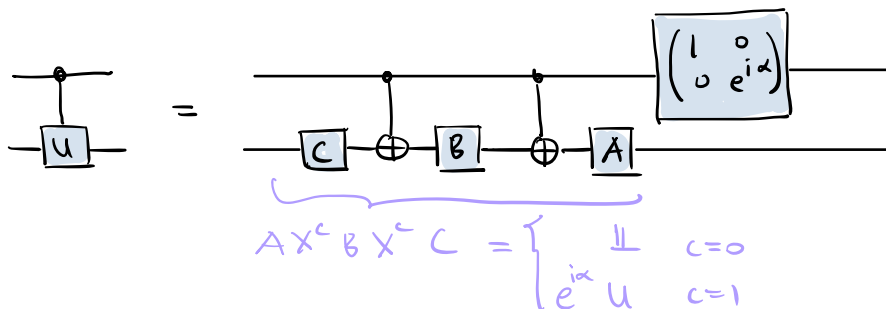
HW: $X R_z(\theta) X = R_z(-\theta)$ and $X R_y(\theta) X = R_y(-\theta)$ □

Using this result we can implement

$$C(U) : (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes 2}$$

$$|c\rangle \mapsto |c\rangle U^c |1\rangle$$

as the following circuit:



That is, $C(U)$ can be implemented by single
 unitaries and CNOT's.

c)
 feasible

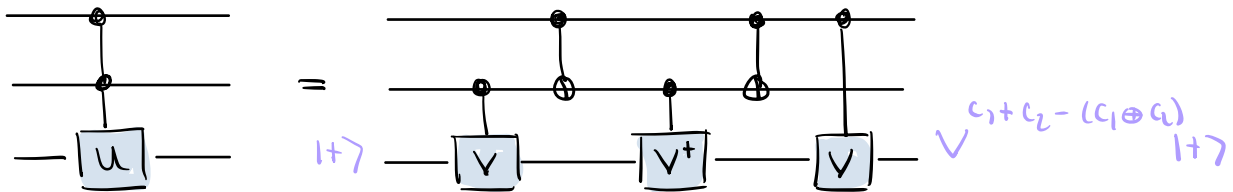
essential

A two-qubit controlled unitary

$$C^2(U) : (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes 2}$$

$$|c_1, c_2\rangle |+\rangle \mapsto |c_1, c_2\rangle U^{c_1 \cdot c_2} |+\rangle$$

can be implemented as follows:



where $V \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)$ such that $V^2 = U$.

Ex: When $U = X$ (Toffoli gate) use

$$V = (1-i) \frac{\mathbb{1} + iX}{2}$$

lem: A multi-qubit controlled unitary

$$C^n(U) : (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n+1} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n+1}$$

$$|c_1 \dots c_n\rangle |+\rangle \mapsto |c_1 \dots c_n\rangle U^{c_1 \dots c_n} |+\rangle$$

can be implemented using $O(n)$ unitaries in $U(\mathbb{C}^2) \cup \{\text{CNOT}\}$.

HW: Prove this. Fig 4.10 in NC.

We write $C_i^n(U)$ if the target is the i -th qubit.

Universal quantum gates

Let $U, U' \in U(V)$.

We define the error when U' is implemented instead of U as follows:

$$E(U, U') = \max_{\substack{v \in V: \\ \|v\|=1}} \|(U - U')v\|.$$

lem: Let $U_i, U'_i \in U(V)$ where $i=1, \dots, m$.

Then

$$E(U_m \cdots U_1, U'_m \cdots U'_1) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m E(U_i, U'_i).$$

Proof: It suffices to prove the result for $m=2$:

$$E(U_2 U_1, U'_2 U'_1) = \max_{v: \|v\|=1} \|(U_2 U_1 - U'_2 U'_1)v\|$$

$$= \|(U_2 U_1 - U'_2 U'_1)u\| \quad \text{for some } u. \quad \text{(closed + bounded)}$$

(exists by compactness of $P(\mathbb{C}^2) = S^2$)

$$= \|(U_2 - U'_2)U_1 u + U'_2(U_1 - U'_1)u\|$$

$$\leq \| (U_2 - U'_2) \underbrace{U_1 u}_{\text{unit vector}} \| + \| \underbrace{U'_2}_{\text{unitary matrix}} (U_1 - U'_1)u \|$$

triangle
ineq.

$$\leq E(U_2, U'_2) + E(U_1, U'_1).$$

$$\| (U_1 - U'_1)u \|$$

The general case follows by induction. \square

Let $SU(\mathbb{C}^n) = \{U \in U(\mathbb{C}^n) : \det U = 1\}$.

Theorem: $\mathcal{A}_Q = \{H, T, CNOT\}$ is universal for quantum computation:

Given $U \in SU((\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n})$ and $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a circuit over \mathcal{A}_Q that implements $U' \in SU((\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n})$ such that

$$E(U, U') < \epsilon.$$

A unitary $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^d)$ is called two-level if

$$|\{j : 1 \leq j \leq d \text{ and } U e_j = e_j\}| \geq d-2.$$

lem: let $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^d)$

There exists a set $\{U_i \in U(\mathbb{C}^d)\}_{i=1}^n$ of two-level unitaries such that

$$U = U_1 U_2 \dots U_n.$$

Proof: For $d \leq 2$ the claim holds.

Assume $d \geq 3$ and write

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1d} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{d1} & \dots & a_{dd} \end{pmatrix}$$

claim: There exists unitaries V_1, \dots, V_{d-1} such that

$$(V_{k-1} \dots V_1 U)_{i1} = 0 \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq k:$$

Suppose V_1, \dots, V_k are constructed such that

$$(V_{k-1} \dots V_1 U) = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{d1} \\ 0 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & & \vdots \\ b_{k+1,1} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{d1} & \dots & b_{dd} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If $b_{k+1,1} \neq 0$ then let

$$V_k = \begin{pmatrix} c & 0 & \dots & 0 & d & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & & 0 & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & 1 & 0 & & 0 \\ d & \dots & & 0 & -c & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & & & 0 & 0 & 1 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & & 0 & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow k+1$$

where

$$c = \frac{b_{11}}{\sqrt{|b_{11}|^2 + |b_{k+1,1}|^2}} \quad d = \frac{b_{k+1,1}}{\sqrt{|b_{11}|^2 + |b_{k+1,1}|^2}}.$$

Otherwise, let $V_k = \mathbb{1}$.

Then

$$(V_k \dots V_1 U)_{k+1,1} = d b_{1,1} - c b_{k+1,1} = 0.$$

Apply this to the remaining columns:

There exists two level unitary $\{V_{i,j}\}$ such that

$$(V_{1,d-1}) \dots (V_{d-1,1} \dots V_{1,1}) U = \mathbb{1}_{\mathbb{C}^d}.$$

Therefore

$$U = (V_{1,1}^+ \dots V_{d-1,1}^+) \dots (V_{1,d-1}^+) \quad \square$$

HW: Show V^+ is two-level unitary if V is.

Note that the number of two-level unitaries in the decomposition for U is at most

$$(d-1) + (d-2) + \dots + 1 = \underbrace{d(d-1)/2}_{O(d^2)}.$$

Given bit strings G and G' of length n , the Hamming distance between G and G' is defined by

$$H(G, G') = |\{i : G_i \neq G'_i\}|.$$

Given a reversible logic gate $f: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^n$ we will write

$$V_f : (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n} \longrightarrow (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$$

for the unitary defined by

$$V_f |G\rangle = |f(G)\rangle$$

Implementing two-level unitaries

Let $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^{2^{\otimes n}})$ be a two-level unitary satisfying

$$U |a_1 \dots a_n\rangle = |a_1 \dots a_n\rangle$$

for all basis vectors other than

$$|s_1 \dots s_n\rangle \text{ and } |t_1 \dots t_n\rangle.$$

Consider a sequence $\{G_i\}_{i=1}^m$ of bit strings of length n such that

- $G_1 = s_1 \dots s_n$
- $H(G_i, G_{i+1}) = 1 \quad \forall i$
- $G_m = t_1 \dots t_n$.

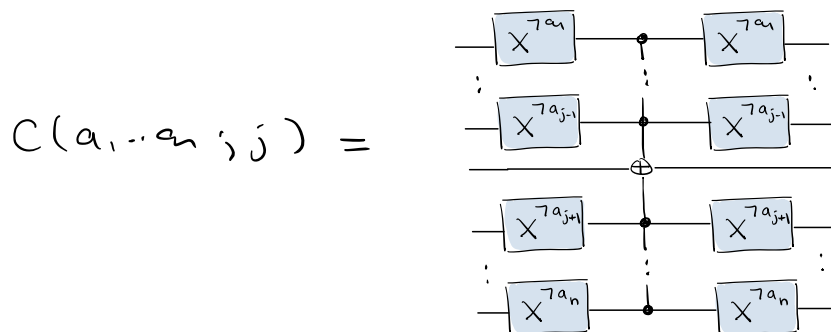
Define $f_i: \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^n$ by

$$f_i(a_1 \dots a_n) = \begin{cases} G_{i+1} & a_1 \dots a_n = G_i \\ G_i & a_1 \dots a_n = G_{i+1} \\ a_1 \dots a_n & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then let

$$V = V_{f_{m-2}} \dots V_{f_2} V_{f_1}.$$

Each V_{f_i} can be implemented as follows:



where $G_i = a_1 \dots a_n$ and $G_{i+1} = a_1 \dots (\gamma a_j) \dots a_n$.

can there be

We have

$$\begin{aligned} U |s_1 \dots s_n\rangle &= \alpha |s_1 \dots s_n\rangle + \beta |t_1 \dots t_n\rangle \\ U |t_1 \dots t_n\rangle &= \gamma |s_1 \dots s_n\rangle + \delta |t_1 \dots t_n\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

* more vectors on the right

Let b_i denote the bit in G_{n-2} that is different than G_{n-1} .

Then define $\tilde{U} \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{U} |b_i\rangle &= \alpha |b_i\rangle + \beta |\neg b_i\rangle \\ \tilde{U} |\neg b_i\rangle &= \gamma |b_i\rangle + \delta |\neg b_i\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Let $C_i^n(\tilde{U})$ denote the controlled gate with target the i -th qubit.

Then we have

$$U = V^\dagger C_i^n(\tilde{U}) V.$$

Pro: A two-level unitary $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$ can be implemented using $O(n^2)$ gates in $U(\mathbb{C}^2) \cup \{\text{CNOT}\}$.

HW: Verify the count.

A unitary $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$ can be implemented using $O(n^2 4^n)$ gates in $U(\mathbb{C}^2) \cup \{\text{CNOT}\}$.

$$^n O(n^2 4^n) = O(n^2) O((2^n)^2)^n$$

Let $\bar{\alpha} = \alpha - L\alpha \downarrow$ where $L\alpha \downarrow$ largest integer less than or equal to α .

Given $\epsilon > 0$ choose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $1/n < \epsilon$.

Then $\exists i, j, r \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\underbrace{|i\bar{\alpha} - j\bar{\alpha}|}_{(i-j)\alpha + \underbrace{Lj\alpha \downarrow - Li\alpha \downarrow}_q} < 1/n$$

$1 \leq i, j \leq n+1$
This is by the Pigeonhole principle:
 $n+1$ numbers in $(2.1) \times n$ intervals

Approximating single qubit unitaries

Pro: Let $\theta \in [0, 1)$ be irrational.

Then $\{ e^{2\pi i \theta n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \}$ is dense in $U(1)$.

Proof: Given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that

$$|n\theta - m| < \epsilon. \quad (\text{Dirichlet approx. thm})$$

That is, the distance between $e^{2\pi i \theta n}$ and $e^{2\pi i m} = 1$ is less than ϵ .

Since θ is irrational we have $e^{2\pi i \theta n} \neq 1$.

Then given $\epsilon \in [0, 1)$ there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the distance between $e^{2\pi i \theta}$ and $e^{2\pi i \theta k}$ is less than ϵ . \square

We will apply this result to the group of rotations in \mathbb{R}^2 , since this group can be identified with $U(1)$.

Recall that

$$R_{\hat{n}}(\theta) = e^{-i\theta \hat{n} \cdot \hat{G}} = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \mathbb{1} - \sin \frac{\theta}{2} (\hat{n} \cdot \hat{G}).$$

$$\text{Let } \text{SU}(1^d) = \{ U \in U(1^d) : \det U = 1 \}$$

Lemma: Let \hat{n} and \hat{m} be orthogonal unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 . Then any $U \in SU(2)$ can be written

$$\Leftrightarrow U = R_{\hat{n}}(\rho) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{n}}(\delta)$$

for some $\rho, \gamma, \delta \in [0, 2\pi)$.

Proof: We proved this result for $\hat{n} = \hat{z}$ and $\hat{m} = \hat{y}$.

There exists a rotation that maps \hat{n} to \hat{z} and \hat{m} to \hat{y} . Let us write $\text{Rot}_{\hat{k}}(\theta)$ for this rotation.

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\hat{k}}(\theta) R_{\hat{n}}(\rho) R_{\hat{k}}(\theta)^\dagger &= R_{\hat{k}}(\theta) \left(\cos \frac{\rho}{2} \mathbb{1} - i \sin \frac{\rho}{2} (\hat{n} \cdot \hat{\sigma}) \right) R_{\hat{k}}(\theta)^\dagger \\ &= \cos \frac{\rho}{2} \mathbb{1} - i \sin \frac{\rho}{2} \left(\underbrace{\text{Rot}_{\hat{k}}(\theta)(\hat{n})}_{\hat{z}} \cdot \hat{\sigma} \right) \\ &= R_{\hat{z}}(\rho). \end{aligned}$$

Then given U first express as

$$R_{\hat{k}}(\theta)^\dagger U R_{\hat{k}}(\theta) = R_{\hat{z}}(\rho) R_{\hat{y}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{z}}(\delta)$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned} U &= R_{\hat{k}}(\theta) \left(R_{\hat{z}}(\rho) R_{\hat{y}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{z}}(\delta) \right) R_{\hat{k}}(\theta)^\dagger \\ &= R_{\hat{n}}(\rho) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{n}}(\delta) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

lem: Given $U \in SU(\mathbb{C}^2)$ and $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a unitary V given by a product of H & T gates such that $E(U, V) < \epsilon$.

Proof: Let \hat{n} and \hat{m} be two orthogonal unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Then any $U \in U(\mathbb{C}^2)$ can be expressed as

$$U = R_{\hat{n}}(\beta) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{n}}(\delta). \quad (\text{HW})$$

Claim: We have

$$T^{-1} H T H = e^{-i\vartheta \hat{n} \cdot \hat{e}}$$

$$\text{where } \hat{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \cos^2 \pi/8}} (\cos \pi/8, -\sin \pi/8, -\cos \pi/8)$$

ϑ is an irrational multiple of π :

We begin by computing

$$\begin{aligned} T^{-1}(H T H) &= e^{-i\pi/8} R_z(-\pi/4) e^{i\pi/8} R_x(\pi/4) \\ &= (\cos \pi/8 \mathbb{1} + i \sin \pi/8 Z) (\cos \pi/8 \mathbb{1} - i \sin \pi/8 X) \\ &= \underbrace{\cos^2 \pi/8 \mathbb{1}}_{\cos \theta/2 \text{ for some } \theta} - i \underbrace{[\cos \pi/8 (X - Z) - \sin \pi/8 Y]}_{(\cos \pi/8, -\sin \pi/8, -\cos \pi/8) \cdot \hat{e}} \sin \pi/8 \\ &= \cos \theta/2 \mathbb{1} - i \hat{z} \cdot \hat{e} \sin \pi/8 \end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{z} = (\cos \pi/8, -\sin \pi/8, -\cos \pi/8)$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$

is such that $\cos \theta/2 = \cos^2 \pi/8$.

We have double angle: $\cos^2 x = (1 + \cos 2x) / 2$

$$\cos \frac{\vartheta}{2} = \cos^2 \frac{\pi}{8} = \frac{1 + \cos \pi/4}{2} = \frac{1 + 1/\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2} + 1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

and

$$|\hat{\alpha}| = \sqrt{\cos^2 \pi/8 + \sin^2 \pi/8 + \cos^2 \pi/8}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 + \cos^2 \pi/8} = \sqrt{\frac{3\sqrt{2} + 1}{2\sqrt{2}}}$$

Note that

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{8} |\hat{\alpha}| = \sqrt{\frac{4 - 2\sqrt{2}}{8}} \sqrt{\frac{3\sqrt{2} + 1}{2\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{10\sqrt{2} - 8}{2\sqrt{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{5 - 2\sqrt{2}}}{2\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}{8}} = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \frac{\vartheta}{2}} = \sin \frac{\vartheta}{2}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} T^{-1}(H+H) &= \cos \vartheta/2 \mathbb{1} - i \hat{\alpha} \cdot \hat{G} \sin \pi/8 \\ &= \cos \vartheta/2 \mathbb{1} - i \hat{n} \cdot \hat{G} |\hat{\alpha}| \sin \pi/8 \\ &= R_{\hat{n}}(\vartheta) \quad \text{where} \end{aligned}$$

- $\cos \frac{\vartheta}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2} + 1}{2\sqrt{2}}$ ← ϑ is an irrational multiple of π .

- $\hat{n} = \left(\frac{3\sqrt{2} + 1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right)^{-1/2} \hat{\alpha}$

Let $R_{\hat{n}}(\vartheta) = H^{-1/2} R_{\hat{p}}(\vartheta) H^{1/2}$

Observe that \hat{n} and \hat{p} are orthogonal in \mathbb{R}^3 since

$$\hat{p} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \text{ is orthogonal to } \hat{n} \text{ and}$$

$H^{-1/2}$ is rotation about \hat{p} by angle $-\pi/2$.

Given $U = R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{n}}(\delta)$ and $\epsilon > 0$ let $k_1, k_2, k_3 > 0$ be such that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E(R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha), R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha)^{k_1}) &< \epsilon/3 \\ E(R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma), R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma)^{k_2}) &< \epsilon/3 \\ E(R_{\hat{n}}(\delta), R_{\hat{n}}(\delta)^{k_3}) &< \epsilon/3 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{by Pro. above}$$

Then

$$E(R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma) R_{\hat{n}}(\delta), R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha)^{k_1} R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma)^{k_2} R_{\hat{n}}(\delta)^{k_3}) < \epsilon$$

by the additivity of the error. \square

This finishes the proof of the universality of the gates $\mathcal{A}_{\mathbb{C}} = \{H, T, \text{CNOT}\}$.

Remark: This proof diverges from NC and can be found in BMP+99.

NC uses

$$R_{\hat{n}}(\theta) = THTH \text{ and}$$

$$R_{\hat{m}}(\theta) = HR_{\hat{n}}(\theta)H.$$

But then $\hat{n} \times \hat{m}$ are not orthogonal but just non-parallel. Given two non-parallel unit vectors $\hat{n} \times \hat{m}$ and $U \in \text{SU}(\mathbb{C}^n)$ we can write

$$U = R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha_1) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma_1) \dots R_{\hat{n}}(\alpha_k) R_{\hat{m}}(\gamma_k)$$

for some k that only depends on the non-parallel vectors \hat{n} and \hat{m} (not on U).

Theorem [Solovay - Kitaev]

Let $A \subset SU(\mathbb{C}^2)$ be a finite set of elements such that

- if $A \in A$ then $A^\dagger \in A$.
- $\langle A \rangle$ is dense in $SU(\mathbb{C}^2)$.

For $l \geq 1$ let

$$A_l = \{ A_1 \dots A_n : A_i \in A \text{ \& } n \leq l \}.$$

Given $U \in SU(\mathbb{C}^2)$ and $\epsilon > 0$ taking $l = O(\log^c(1/\epsilon))$ (where $c = 4$) there exists $A \in A_l$ such that

$$E(U, A) < \epsilon.$$

Let $U \in SU((\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n})$ be implemented by a circuit consisting of m gates in $SU(\mathbb{C}^2) \cup \{\text{NOT}\}$.

Given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a circuit over

$$\tilde{A}_Q = \{H, T, T^\dagger, \text{NOT}\}$$

implementing U' using $O(m \log^c(m/\epsilon))$ gates such that $E(U, U') < \epsilon$.

HW: Prove this. Approximate each gate by error ϵ/m and use additivity of error.

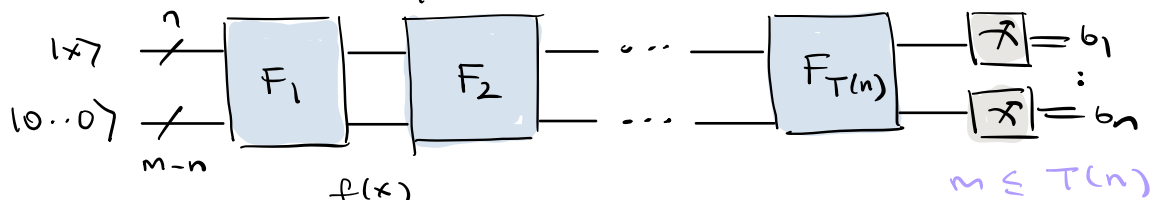
Quantum computational complexity

Let $T: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a function.

A predicate $f: \mathbb{B}^x \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ is computable in quantum $T(n)$ -time if there exists a deterministic TM that outputs a description of the gates

$$F_1, F_2, \dots, F_{T(n)} \in \mathcal{A}_Q$$

such that the quantum circuit



outputs $(-1)^{f(x)}$ on the first qubit

with probability $\geq 1 - \epsilon$ where $\epsilon = 1/3$.

For $b \in \mathbb{B}$ the probability $p(b)$ of observing $(-1)^b$ on the first qubit is

$$p(b) = \sum_{b_2, \dots, b_m} p(b, b_2, \dots, b_m) = |\langle b, b_2, \dots, b_m | \psi \rangle|^2$$

where $|\psi\rangle = |x\rangle \otimes |0 \dots 0\rangle$.

The language $L = f^{-1}(1)$ is decidable in quantum $T(n)$ -time if f is computable in quantum $T(n)$ -time.

BQP

Bounded-error quantum polynomial time:

$BQP = \{ L : L \text{ is decidable in quantum } q(n)\text{-time for some polynomial } q \}$.

Alternative description of BQP:

$BQP = \{ L : \exists q(n)\text{-time deterministic TM } V \text{ for some polynomial } q \text{ such that } \forall (\langle x, w \rangle) = P_L(x) \text{ with probability } \geq 1 - \epsilon \text{ where } \epsilon = 1/3 \}$.

\uparrow witness: $w \in \mathbb{B}^m$
 $m \leq q(n)$.

Recall that $P_L: \mathbb{B}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ is the predicate such that $P_L^{-1}(1) = L$.

Circuit complexity:

The size of a circuit is the number of the gates it consists of.

The size complexity of a circuit family $\{ C_n \}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is the function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ where

$$f(n) = \text{size of } C_n.$$

The circuit complexity of L is the size complexity of a minimal (in size) circuit family deciding L .

$$(b \in L, |b| = n \iff C_n(b) = 1)$$

Lemma: Let $t: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be a function.

If $L \in \text{Time}(t(n))$ then L has circuit complexity $O(t(n)^2)$.

Cor: $\text{BPP} \subseteq \text{BQP}$.

Proof: Replace the verifier V with a circuit of size $O(q(n)^2)$, which can be implemented as a reversible circuit of polynomial size. \square

We will show that

FACTORING \in BQP.

It is believed that

FACTORING \notin BPP.