

From Quantum Technologies to hardcore Graph Theory

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Introduction


- Progress in quantum technologies
 - Hardware
 - Software
- When do we have quantum advantage?
- Accelerate computation of a hard, real-world problem
 - Diversity of quantum HW and SW
- Need for application level quantum benchmark

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Introduction

- Component-level benchmarks
 - Fidelity of quantum gates
 - Number of qubits
- (Sub)system-level benchmarks
 - Quantum Volume
 - Circuit Layer Operations Per Seconds (CLOPS)
- Application-oriented benchmarks
 - QED-C (Quantum Economic Development Consortium) Benchmark
 - Q-Pack 

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Introduction

- Q-Score: metric proposed by 
 - Application-centric
 - Hardware-agnostic
 - Scalable
- Largest problem size N for which a quantum device significantly outperforms a random algorithm at solving an NP-hard problem: **Max Cut problem**

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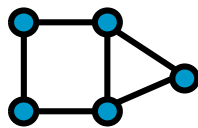
Overview

- Max Cut problem
- Q-Score
- Quantum Annealing
- Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer
- Gaussian Boson Sampling
- Max Clique problem
- Other NP-hard problems
- Other connections with Graph Theory
- Wrap-up

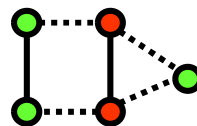
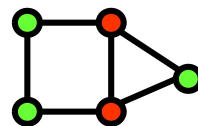
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Max Cut problem



Partition nodes into two sets



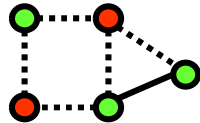
- Cut: number of links between the two sets

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Max Cut problem

- Max Cut: partition with maximum number of links



- Max Cut problem is NP-hard

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Q-Score

- Largest problem size N for which a quantum device significantly outperforms a random algorithm at solving the **Max Cut problem**
- Needed: a class of graphs for which we have:
 - An (asymptotic) expression for C_{max}
 - A fast random algorithm to determine C_{rand}

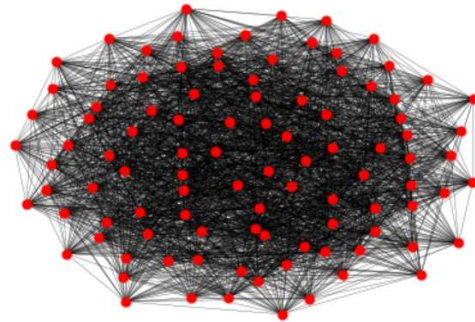
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Q-Score

- Erdős–Rényi graph $ER(N, 1/2)$
 - Random graph on N nodes
 - Link probability $p = 1/2$

$N = 100$



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Q-Score

- $ER(N, 1/2)$ An (asymptotic) expression for C_{max}

The Annals of Probability
2017, Vol. 45, No. 2, 1190–1217
DOI: 10.1214/15-AOP1084
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EXTREMAL CUTS OF SPARSE RANDOM GRAPHS

BY AMIR DEMBO¹, ANDREA MONTANARI² AND SUBHABRATA SEN³

$$C_{max} \approx \frac{N^2}{8} + 0.178N\sqrt{N}$$

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Q-Score

- ER($N, 1/2$) A fast random algorithm to determine C_{rand}

Random partition: two random sets of $N/2$ nodes

$$C_{rand} \approx \frac{N^2}{8}$$

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Q-Score

- Algorithm: for increasing N do:
 - Make M realisations of $G(N, 1/2)$
 - Run Max Cut algorithm for every graph
 - Determine average Max Cut $C(N)$
- Check whether this average has "sufficiently" high score

$$\beta(N) = \frac{C(N) - C_{rand}}{C_{max} - C_{rand}} > \beta^* = 0.2$$

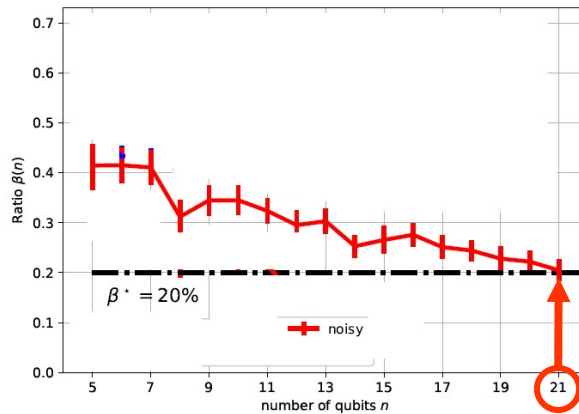
- Q-score: highest N for which $\beta(N) > \beta^*$

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Q-Score

- ATOS: Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm (QAOA)
- Simulation of their own quantum device (gate based)



Q-score = 21

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Quantum Annealing

- Quantum version of Simulated Annealing
 - Find global minimum of a given objective function
 - Minimize a Ising spin Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{J}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \sum_i h_i \sigma_i + \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j$$

- \mathbf{h} : external field
- \mathbf{J} : spin coupling interactions
- σ_i : spin values $\in \{-1, 1\}$

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Quantum Annealing



- 5000+ qubits
- Cloud interface (1 minute free QPU time)

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Quantum Annealing

- Ising Hamiltonian \leftrightarrow QUBO
- Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization

$$\text{Minimize } y = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x}$$

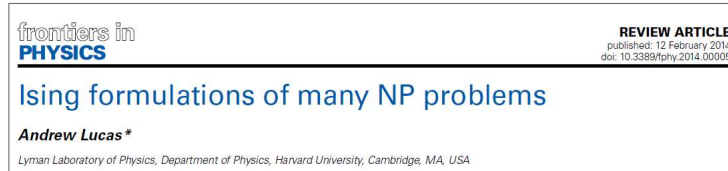
\mathbf{x} = N-dimensional binary decision vector
 \mathbf{Q} = NxN symmetric constant matrix

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Quantum Annealing

- Many Combinatorial Optimization problems can be formulated as a QUBO



- These problems can be programmed on D-Wave!

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Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer



- Q-Score for D-Wave

2022 IEEE International Conference on Quantum Software (QSW)
Evaluating the Q-score of Quantum Annealers

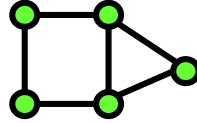
Ward van der Schoot, Daan Leermakers, Robert Wezeman, Niels Neumann, Frank Phillipson

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Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer

- QUBO for Max Cut



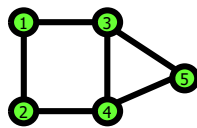
- Binary variables x_i
 - $x_i = 1$: node i belongs to set 1
 - $x_i = 0$: node i belongs to set 2
- $x_i + x_j - 2x_i x_j = 1 \Leftrightarrow$ link (i,j) is in the cut
- $x_i + x_j - 2x_i x_j = 0 \Leftrightarrow$ link (i,j) is not in the cut

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Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer

- Maximize $y = \sum_{(i,j) \in E} (x_i + x_j - 2x_i x_j)$



$$y = x_1 + x_2 - 2x_1 x_2 + x_1 + x_3 - 2x_1 x_3$$

$$x_2 + x_4 - 2x_2 x_4 + x_3 + x_4 - 2x_3 x_4$$

$$x_3 + x_5 - 2x_3 x_5 + x_4 + x_5 - 2x_4 x_5 =$$

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 3x_4 + 2x_5 - 2x_1 x_2 - 2x_1 x_3 - 2x_2 x_4 - 2x_3 x_4 - 2x_3 x_5 - 2x_4 x_5 =$$

$$2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 3x_4^2 + 2x_5^2 - 2x_1 x_2 - 2x_1 x_3 - 2x_2 x_4 - 2x_3 x_4 - 2x_3 x_5 - 2x_4 x_5 =$$

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Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer

$$(x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ x_4 \ x_5) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow y = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} = 5$$

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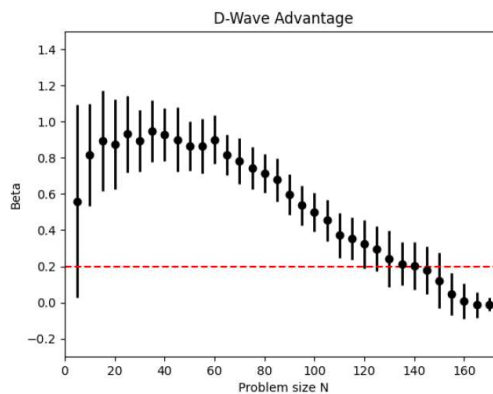
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Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer

- Results TNO paper

Approach	Q-score
Tabu search	2,300
Simulated annealing	5,800
D-Wave Advantage	140
D-Wave 2000Q	70
Hybrid solver	12,500

D-WAVE QUBO solvers
(60 seconds time limit)



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Q-Score for a Quantum Annealer

- Q-Score determined for
 - Gate based device (ATOS)
 - Quantum Annealer (D-Wave)
- Other physical quantum devices exist

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Gaussian Boson Sampling

- Available quantum computers
 - Diversity of physical platforms
 - Superconducting qubits
 - Trapped ions
 - Photonics
 - Quantum annealers
 - Rydberg atoms
 - ...

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Gaussian Boson Sampling

- Special-purpose photonic platform
 - Gaussian Boson Sampling
 - Sampling tasks intractable to classical computers



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Gaussian Boson Sampling

- Symmetric square matrix A (representing graph G)
 - can be encoded into GBS device
- State of GBS correlates with Hafnian of A
- Hafnian of A : = # perfect matchings of G

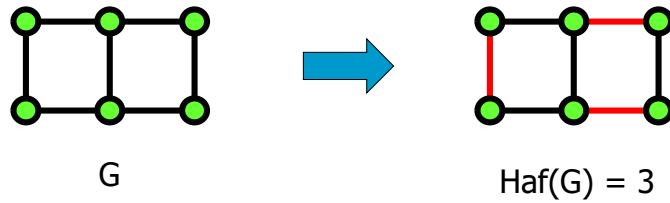
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Gaussian Boson Sampling

- Perfect matching: set of links such that each node is adjacent to exactly one link

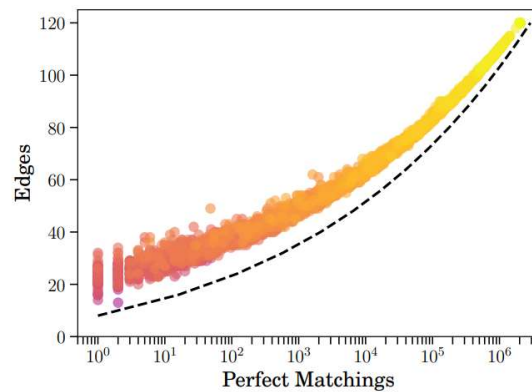


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Gaussian Boson Sampling

- # perfect matchings correlates with link density



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Gaussian Boson Sampling

- Subgraph sampling → high probability to sample a dense subgraph
- Can be explored for efficient algorithms for
 - Max Clique
 - K-densest subgraph identification
 - Graph similarity algorithms

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Gaussian Boson Sampling

Applications of near-term photonic quantum computers:
software and algorithms

Thomas R Bromley¹ , Juan Miguel Arrazola¹ , Soran Jahangiri¹, Josh Izaac¹ ,
Nicolás Quesada¹, Alain Delgado Gran¹, Maria Schuld¹, Jeremy Swinerton¹, Zeid Zabaneh¹ and
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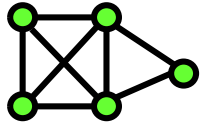
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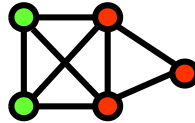
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Max Clique problem

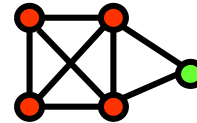
- Clique = complete subgraph in G
- Max Clique = largest clique in G



G



Clique



Max Clique

- Max Clique problem is NP-hard

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Max Clique problem

TNO • proposed Q-Score+

- Largest problem size N for which a quantum device significantly outperforms a random algorithm at solving the **Max Clique problem**
- Implementable on
 - Gate based devices
 - Quantum annealer
 - Gaussian Boson Sampling device

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Max Clique problem

- Algorithm: for increasing N do:
 - Make M realisations of $G(N,1/2)$
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- Q-score+: highest N for which $\gamma(N) > \gamma^*$

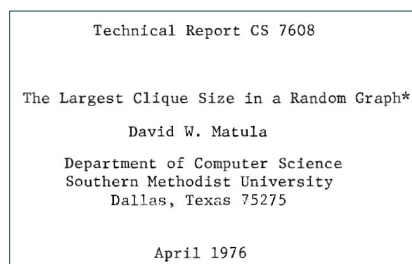
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Max Clique problem

- For $ER(N,1/2)$ we need:
 - An (asymptotic) expression for M_{max}
 - A fast random algorithm to determine M_{rand}

M_{max} →



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Max Clique problem

- $ER(N,p)$ Random variable $X(N,p)$: Max Clique of $ER(N,p)$

$$Z(N,p) = 2\log_{\frac{1}{p}}(N) - 2\log_{\frac{1}{p}}\left(\log_{\frac{1}{p}}(N)\right) + 2\log_{\frac{1}{p}}\left(\frac{e}{2}\right) + 1$$

$$N \rightarrow \infty \quad X(N,p) = \lfloor Z(N,p) \rfloor \text{ or } \lceil Z(N,p) \rceil$$

- Good approximation for $ER(N,1/2)$:

$$M_{max}(N) = 2\log_2(N) - 2\log_2(\log_2(N)) + 2\log_2\left(\frac{e}{2}\right) + 1$$

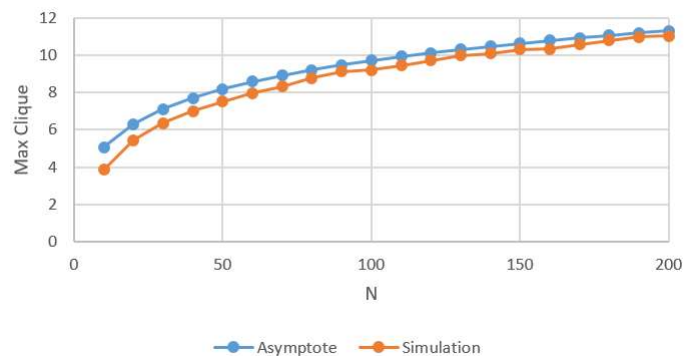
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Max Clique problem

$ER(N,1/2)$

Average Max Clique over 100 realizations



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Max Clique problem

Math. Proc. Camb. Phil. Soc. (1975), 77, 313
MPCPS 77-27
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M_{rand} →

On colouring random graphs

BY G. R. GRIMMETT AND C. J. H. McDIARMID
Mathematical Institute, Oxford



$$M_{rand}(N) \sim \log_{\frac{1}{p}}(N)$$

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Max Clique problem

Random algorithm:

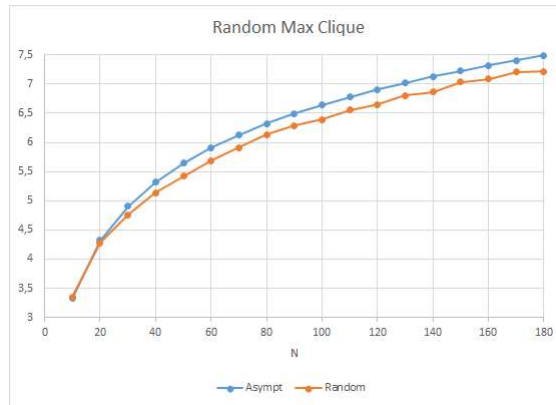
Label the nodes
Clique = node 1

Loop
 Take next node
 Is node connected to all nodes in current clique?
 Yes? Add node to clique

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Max Clique problem



$ER(N,1/2)$

$N = 180; M = 1000; T = 0.1 \text{ s}$

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Max Clique problem

```
N = 100000
M = 10
avg clique size = 16.6
asympt = 16.61
--- 0.37 seconds ---
```

```
N = 1000000
M = 2
avg clique size = 20.0
asympt = 19.93
--- 1.34 seconds ---
```

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Max Clique problem

arXiv > quant-ph > arXiv:2302.00639

Quantum Physics

[Submitted on 1 Feb 2023]

Q-score Max-Clique: The First Quantum Metric Evaluation on Multiple Computational Paradigms

Ward van der Schoot, Robert Wezeman, Niels M. P. Neumann, Frank Phillipson, Rob Kooij

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Max Clique problem

Table 1: Q-scores Max-Clique with a 60 seconds time limit.

	Approach	Q-score
Classical	Tabu search	4,900
	Simulated annealing	9,100
Quantum Annealer	D-Wave Advantage	110
	D-Wave 2000Q	70
Hybrid	Hybrid solver	12,500
Gate-based	Starmon-5 (QAOA)	5*
	IBM-Guadalupe (QAOA)	$\geq 5^*$

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Max Clique problem

Table 1: Q-scores Max-Clique with a 60 seconds time limit.

	Approach	Simulated Q-score
Gate-based ←	QAOA	$\geq 16^*$
Photonics ←	Photonics	$\geq 20^*$

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Other NP hard problems

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Ising formulations of many NP problems

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<https://blog.xa0.de/post/List-of-QUBO-formulations/#fn:V21>

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List of QUBO formulations

Below a list of 112 optimization problems and a reference to the QUBO formulation of each problem is shown. While a lot of these problems are classical optimization problems from

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Other NP hard problems

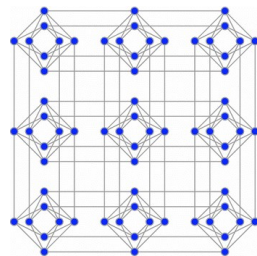
- K - densest subgraph
- Minimum vertex covering
- Maximal matching
- Clique covering
- Number of perfect matchings
- Hamiltonian cycles
- Longest path
- Graph isomorphism
- ...

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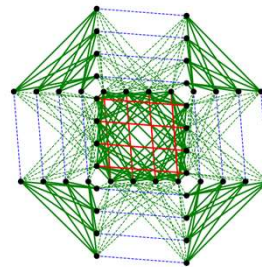
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Other connections with Graph Theory

- D-WAVE QPU architectures



Chimera graph



Zephyr graph

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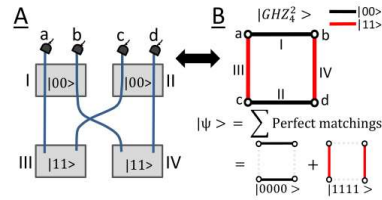
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Other connections with Graph Theory

Quantum Experiments and Graphs III: High-Dimensional and Multi-Particle Entanglement

Xuemei Gu,^{1,2,✉} Lijun Chen,^{1,✉} Anton Zeilinger,^{2,3,✉} and Mario Krenn^{2,3,✉}

Graph Theory	Quantum Experiments
undirected Graph	optical setup with nonlinear crystals
Vertex	optical output path
Edge	nonlinear crystal
colors of the edge	mode numbers
perfect matching	n-fold coincidence
#(perfect matchings)	#(terms in quantum state)



- Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger state $|\psi\rangle_{abcd} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0000\rangle + |1111\rangle)$

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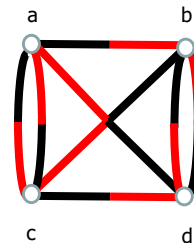
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Other connections with Graph Theory

- Extension to Dicke states

$$|D_n^k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\binom{n}{k}}} \hat{S}(|0\rangle^{\otimes(n-k)} |1\rangle^{\otimes k})$$

- Involves multi-graphs with multi-colored edges



- Found a new case of $|D_4^2\rangle$

$$|\Psi_{abcd}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(|0011\rangle + |0101\rangle + |0110\rangle + |1001\rangle + |1010\rangle + |1100\rangle)$$

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Wrap-up


- Graph Theory Inspired by Quantum Technology
- Asymptotic expressions for NP-hard problems
- Implementations on D-Wave
- Embeddings on D-Wave graphs
- Properties of multi-graphs with bi-colored edges

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