Superposition and Grover algorithm in the presence of a closed timelike curve

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Theorem 2.—Let \mathbb{P}_{χ} be a fixed pure state on Hilbert space \mathcal{H} . There exists a CP map $\Lambda_{sup} \in C\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \mathcal{H}^{\otimes 2}, \mathcal{H})$ such that for all pure states \mathbb{P}_{ψ} , \mathbb{P}_{ϕ} on \mathcal{H} satisfying

$$\operatorname{tr}(\mathbb{P}_{\chi}\mathbb{P}_{\psi}) = c_1, \qquad \operatorname{tr}(\mathbb{P}_{\chi}\mathbb{P}_{\phi}) = c_2, \qquad (9)$$

we have

$$\Lambda_{\sup}(\mathbb{P}_{\nu} \otimes \mathbb{P}_{\psi} \otimes \mathbb{P}_{\phi}) \propto |\Psi\rangle \langle \Psi|, \qquad (10)$$

where \mathbb{P}_{ν} , $|\nu\rangle = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$, is an unknown qubit state and the vector $|\Psi\rangle$ is given by $|\Psi\rangle = \alpha |\psi\rangle + \beta |\phi\rangle$ $P_{\text{succ}} = \text{tr}[\Lambda_{\sup}(\mathbb{P}_{\nu} \otimes \mathbb{P}_{\psi} \otimes \mathbb{P}_{\phi})] = \frac{c_1 c_2}{c_1 + c_2} \mathcal{N}_{\Psi}^2$ \mathcal{N}_{Ψ}^2 : Normalization Constant

No-Go Theorem

Can we superpose two unknown states assisted by closed timelike curve?

Closed Timelike Curve

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The Particle Problem in the General Theory of Relativity

A. EINSTEIN AND N. ROSEN, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton (Received May 8, 1935)

The writers investigate the possibility of an atomistic found. The combined system of gravitational and electrotheory of matter and electricity which, while excluding magnetic equations are treated similarly and lead to a singularities of the field, makes use of no other variables than the $g_{\mu\nu}$ of the general relativity theory and the φ_{μ} of charged particle is found to be one of zero mass. The manythe Maxwell theory. By the consideration of a simple example they are led to modify slightly the gravitational solution of the field equations corresponding to a space of equations which then admit regular solutions for the static two identical sheets joined by many bridges. In this case, spherically symmetric case. These solutions involve the mathematical representation of physical space by a space determine both the field and the motion of the particles. of two identical sheets, a particle being represented by a The many-particle problem, which would decide the value "bridge" connecting these sheets. One is able to under- of the theory, has not yet been treated, stand why no neutral particles of negative mass are to be

similar interpretation. The most natural elementary because of the absence of singularities, the field equations

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Wormholes, Time Machines, and the Weak Energy Condition

Michael S. Morris, Kip S. Thorne, and Ulvi Yurtsever Theoretical Astrophysics, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California 91125 (Received 21 June 1988)

It is argued that, if the laws of physics permit an advanced civilization to create and maintain a wormhole in space for interstellar travel, then that wormhole can be converted into a time machine with which causality might be violatable. Whether wormholes can be created and maintained entails deep, ill-understood issues about cosmic censorship, quantum gravity, and quantum field theory, including the question of whether field theory enforces an averaged version of the weak energy condition.

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- Closed timelike curves (CTCs) : space time objects allowed by general relativity theory
- Recent works have shown CTCs enhance tasks
 - Solving NP-complete problems, the problem SAT Bacon, PRA 70, 032309 (2004).
 - Distinguishing arbitrary states Brun, Harrington and Wilde, PRL 102, 210402 (2009).
 - Unknown state cloning Ahn, Myers, Ralph and Mann, PRA 88, 022332 (2013).
 - Photonic simulation of the self-consistency condition Ringbauger, Broome, Myers, White and Ralph, Nat.Commun, 5, 2145 (2014).

Deutsch's Closed Timelike Curve (D-CTC) D. Deutsch, PRD 44, 3197 (1991)



$$\rho_{CTCoutput} = \operatorname{Tr}_{system} [V(\rho_{input} \otimes \rho_{CTCinput})V^{\dagger}]$$
$$\rho_{output} = \operatorname{Tr}_{CTC} [V(\rho_{input} \otimes \rho_{CTC})V^{\dagger}]$$

Postselected Closed Timelike Curve (P-CTC)



- A different approach to describing QM with CTCs invented by Bennett and Schumacher (never published)
- This approach based on *teleportation*.
- If guaranteed to postselect with certainty the outcomes of a measurement, one could teleport a copy of a state into the past.

Distinguishing nonorthogonal states

Brun, Harrington and Wilde, PRL 102, 210402 (2009).



 $|\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|\otimes|j\rangle\langle j|(=\rho_{CTC})\to SWAP\to|j\rangle\langle j|\otimes|\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|\to U\to|j\rangle\langle j|\otimes|j\rangle\langle j|$

Distinguishing nonorthogonal states

Brun and Wilde, Found Phys 42, 341 (2012)



A P-CTC-assisted circuit that can distinguish. Image credit : Brun and Wilde, Found Phys 42, 341 (2012)

- P-TCT also allows us to distinguish nonorthogonal states (The same circuit works as with DCTCs)
- However, P-CTC can only distinguish sets of *linearly independent* states.

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- Using P-CTC, superposing two unknown states in the set of *linearly* independent states is possible.

Superposing two unknown states

• What can we do if superposing two unknown states is possible?

• Standard Grover Algorithm



• After k iterations

$$|\psi_k\rangle = 2\langle \psi|\psi_{k-1}^O\rangle|\psi\rangle - |\psi_{k-1}^O\rangle = \cos\frac{(2k+1)\theta}{2}|\alpha\rangle + \sin\frac{(2k+1)\theta}{2}|\beta\rangle$$

Total number of Iteration

Standard Grover Algorithm



• Can we do better?

Answer is negative

C. H. Bennett, E. Bernstein, G. Brassard, and U. Vazirani, SIAM J. Comput. 26, 15101524 (1997)

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Exponential speed up possible!

Kumar and Paraoanu, EPL, 93, 20005, 2011

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 $R = O(\sqrt{\frac{N}{M}})$ N : # of elements in data base M : # of solutions of the search problem



After k iterations

$$|\psi_k\rangle = \cos\frac{3^k\theta}{2}|\alpha\rangle + \sin\frac{3^k\theta}{2}|\beta\rangle$$

Total number of Iteration

$$R_{
m mod} = \mathcal{O}\left(\log_3 \sqrt{\frac{N}{M}}\right)$$

Exponential reduction in # of iteration!

Conclusion

- We can show that the superposition of two unknown states is possible assisted by CTC.
- If the superposition of two unknown states is possible assisted by CTC, the exponential speed up of Grover search algorithm could be possible

Thank you for your attention!