

3. Magic and mana.

"Magic": the "non-Cliffordness" of a quantum state, i.e. how many non-Clifford gates its preparation circuit would need.

Magic \neq entanglement, since Clifford circuits can generate entanglement.

Theorem: universal quantum computation can be achieved with only Clifford gates plus one non-Clifford ("magic") gate, e.g. $T: |0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle, |1\rangle \rightarrow e^{i\pi/4} |1\rangle$.

Generalise to qutrits — structure is actually simpler in this case:

$$Z = |0\rangle\langle 0| + \omega |1\rangle\langle 1| + \omega^2 |2\rangle\langle 2| \quad \omega = e^{2i\pi/3}$$

$$X = |1\rangle\langle 0| + |2\rangle\langle 1| + |0\rangle\langle 2|.$$

$$T_{ab} \equiv \omega^{-2ab} Z^a X^b$$

'Pauli' strings:

$$T_{\underline{a}} = T_{a_1 b_1} T_{a_2 b_2} \dots T_{a_N b_N}. \quad (\text{outer product: } N \text{ qutrits}).$$

$$\text{Clifford group: } C = \{U: UT_{\underline{a}}U^\dagger = e^{i\phi} T_{\underline{b}}\},$$

i.e. Clifford-group unitaries map Pauli strings to themselves^J
(up to a phase). Generators of C :

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & \omega \end{pmatrix} \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \end{pmatrix} \quad S = \sum_{ij} |i; i \oplus j\rangle \langle ij|$$

phase gate

qutrit Hadamard gate

sum gate

Explicitly,

$$S = |00\rangle \langle 00| + |01\rangle \langle 01| + |02\rangle \langle 02| \\ + |11\rangle \langle 10| + |12\rangle \langle 11| + |10\rangle \langle 12| \\ + |22\rangle \langle 20| + |20\rangle \langle 21| + |21\rangle \langle 22|,$$

the qutrit analogue of the CNOT gate.

$$C|0000\dots 0\rangle = \left\{ \text{eigenstates of } T_{a_1 b_1} T_{a_2 b_2} \dots T_{a_N b_N} \right\}$$

stabiliser states.

Adding randomness (including feed-forward measurement) allows mixtures too; then our accessible part of the

space of density matrices is:

$$\left\{ \sum_j p_j |s_j\rangle \langle s_j| : |s_j\rangle \in C|00\dots 0\rangle, p_j \geq 0, \sum_j p_j = 1 \right\} \\ \equiv \text{STAB} \left[(\mathbb{C}^3)^{\otimes N} \right]$$

the convex hull of stabiliser states.

This is not the full space, so $\{K, H, S\}$ are not universal.^K
 To get a universal set, we could add, e.g.,

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta^{-1} & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & \zeta \end{pmatrix} \quad \zeta = e^{2i\pi/9} \quad \text{"T-gate"}$$

$\{C, T\}|00\dots 0\rangle \approx C|\psi\rangle$, where $|\psi\rangle$ is "magic", i.e. in some sense has already had the hard stuff done.

How do we measure this property? Via a "magic monotone", which doesn't increase under Clifford gates or projective measurement of Pauli operators. One such is called "mana":

a) Define 'phase space point operators':

$$A_{\underline{b}} \equiv 3^{-N} T_{\underline{b}} \left[\sum_{\underline{a}} T_{\underline{a}} \right] T_{\underline{b}}^\dagger$$

These obey: $\text{Tr}(A_{\underline{b}} A_{\underline{c}}) = 3^N \delta_{\underline{b}\underline{c}}$ (orthogonality)

$$3^{-N} \sum_{\underline{b}} A_{\underline{b}} = \mathbb{I} \quad \text{(completeness)}$$

b) Expand the density matrix of interest in this basis:

$$\rho = \sum_{\underline{a}} \underbrace{W_\rho(\underline{a})}_{\text{"discrete Wigner function"}} A_{\underline{a}}$$

The coefficients $W_p(\underline{a})$ are all real; also, L

$$\sum_{\underline{a}} W_p(\underline{a}) = \text{Tr } \rho = 1,$$

and

$$\text{Tr}(\rho_1 \rho_2) = 3^N \sum_{\underline{a}} W_{\rho_1}(\underline{a}) W_{\rho_2}(\underline{a}).$$

c) Define the mana of ρ , $M(\rho)$, as

$$M(\rho) \equiv \log \sum_{\underline{a}} |W_p(\underline{a})|.$$

If $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$, with $|\psi\rangle$ a stabiliser state, it is a theorem that $W_p(\underline{a}) \geq 0$; then $\sum_{\underline{a}} |W_p(\underline{a})| = \sum_{\underline{a}} W_p(\underline{a}) = 1$, and the mana is zero. So $M(\rho)$ measures the "non-stabiliserness" of the state, and thus the "non-Cliffordness" of the circuit needed to produce it.

Cautionary note: $M(\rho)$ is defined only when the on-site Hilbert space dimension is odd — so it can be used for qutrits, but not qubits.

Properties of mana:

$$M(\rho_A \otimes \rho_B) = M(\rho_A) + M(\rho_B)$$

(additivity)

$$M(\rho) \leq \frac{1}{2} (N \log 3 - S_2)$$

S_2 : 2nd Rényi entropy

Interpretation: mana is a lower bound on the number $\frac{M}{p}$ of non-Clifford rotations needed to prepare the state.

Proof: Apply non-Clifford rotations via magic state injection, i.e. take an input state plus n 'magic state' ancillas $|a\rangle$ and apply a protocol of Clifford gates and Pauli measurements — this yields the desired non-Clifford rotation with probability p . So for Q non-Clifford rotations, we need to start with

$$|00\dots 0\rangle \otimes |a\rangle^{\otimes (nQp^{-Q})} \approx |00\dots 0\rangle \otimes |a\rangle^{\otimes (nQ)}.$$

\therefore need to retry if it fails;
can eliminate by taking n large enough.

But, by additivity,

$$M(|00\dots 0\rangle \otimes |a\rangle^{\otimes (nQ)}) = nQM(|a\rangle).$$

So to prepare a state ρ with mana $M(\rho)$, we need

$$nQM(|a\rangle) \geq M(\rho) \Rightarrow Q \geq \frac{M(\rho)}{nM(|a\rangle)}.$$

number of non-Clifford gates included in the circuit.

(N.B. — I think \geq should be \leq in (21) of ref. [2].)

4. Case study: Z_3 Potts model

$$H = -\sin \theta \sum_j (Z_j^\dagger Z_{j+1} + \text{H.c.}) - \cos \theta \sum_j (X_j^\dagger + X_j)$$

(Analogue of transverse-field Ising model.) Duality

$\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$; continuous transition at $\theta_c = \frac{\pi}{4}$, with order parameter

$$m = \langle Z + Z^\dagger \rangle$$

Critical point described by CFT with central charge $\frac{4}{5}$.

How does the ground-state mana of this model depend on θ ?

i) $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$: classical Potts model, $H = -\sum_j (Z_j^\dagger Z_{j+1} + \text{H.c.})$
 $= -2 \sum_j (|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11| + |22\rangle\langle 22|)_{j,j+1}$

Ground states: $|00\dots 0\rangle, |11\dots 1\rangle, |22\dots 2\rangle$: mana zero.

ii) $\theta = 0$: independent qutrits in a field, $H_j = -X_j^\dagger - X_j$
 $= - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$; ground state $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle + |2\rangle)$.

mana zero.

Product state, so mana is again zero.

What about in between?

Ref. [1] addresses this using DMRG. (Not so clear ⁰ that this will be reliable near the critical point, but see ref. [1] for arguments that it's okay.)
For results, see their Fig. 1. [SLIDE]

Is this mana removable by local unitary operations? (Less interesting if so.) Try a 'two-point' version:
$$m_{cc}(A, B) = m(\rho_{A \cup B}) - \frac{1}{2}[m(\rho_A) + m(\rho_B)].$$

(N.B. m is mana density, not total mana — hence the factor of $\frac{1}{2}$.) For results, see their Fig. 2. [SLIDE]

Interpretation: toy model of $\rho_{A \cup B}$. For $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ (pure FM),

$$|\Omega_0\rangle = \sum_n X_i^n X_j^n |00\rangle. \quad (\text{cat state})$$

Reducing θ causes hybridisation; write this as

$$\rho_{\text{toy}} = \frac{1}{3}(1 - \alpha_{ij})\rho_i \otimes \rho_j + \alpha_{ij} |N_2\rangle \langle N_2|,$$

where

$$|N_2\rangle \propto \sum_n X^n (2|00\rangle - |11\rangle - |22\rangle).$$

We can infer the form of α_{ij} from the connected correlation function,

$$\langle Z_i^\dagger Z_j + \text{H.c.} \rangle - 2\text{Re}[\langle Z_i^\dagger \rangle \langle Z_j \rangle] \propto \alpha_{ij},$$

so using known Potts-model results,

$$\alpha_{ij} \propto \begin{cases} b + c e^{-|i-j|/\xi} & \theta > \pi/4 \quad (\text{FM}) \\ |i-j|^{-2\Delta} & \theta = \pi/4 \quad (\text{critical}) \\ e^{-|i-j|/\xi} & \theta < \pi/4 \quad (\text{paramagnet}), \end{cases}$$

with $2\Delta = 4/15$. Mana measures how far $\rho_{A \cup B}$ is from

$\rho_A \otimes \rho_B$, so is proportional to α_{ij} at criticality,

$$m_{cc}(A) = C_1 |i-j|^{-2\Delta} - \epsilon.$$

This fits the lower panel in Fig. 2 well.

[offset because $m(\rho_A) = m(\rho_B)$ assumed, which isn't quite true.]

Extra complications for upper panel, where m_{cc} hits zero at a finite separation: this is because $\rho_{A \cup B}$ enters the space of operators with a positive Wigner representation before it reaches STAB — see paper for a fuller discussion.