Quantum Accelerated Causal Tomography: Circuit Considerations Towards Applications

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Introduction

AIM

To test hypothesis about the causal structure in a setting with different prior hypothesis of how we infer a set of variables that are causally related to each other.

Causal Hypothesis Testing (CHT)

Given variables and a set of hypothesis on causal relations among them as input, infer the correct hypothesis as output.

Quantum Speedup of CHT





B random uniform

CLASSICAL ERROR PROBABILITY

A, B, C are random variables with same alphabet of size $d < \infty$. In parallel strategy where N input variables are initially set to some prescribed set of values the optimal error probability

$$P_{\rm err}^{\rm C} = \frac{1}{2d^{N-1}}$$

QUANTUM ERROR PROBABILITY



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Pragmatic considerations

PROBLEM FORMULATION

Considering input variables i.e. the cause through set C and the output variables i.e. effects through E then

|C| = |E| = k = total number of causes/effects

also,

d = |c| = |e|

c, e are variables in C, E respectively.

The map from C to E is a **bijective function**.

MODEL IMPLEMENTATION



QUBIT COMPLEXITY AND ERROR PROBABILITY

The qubit requirement in model grows as

 $2N_A + \lceil \log(N_A) \rceil$.

We introduce a correction factor proportional to the process distance between the two oracles.

$$p_{\rm err}^{\rm prac} = \frac{r}{2d^N} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - r^{-2}} \right) \Delta \left[U_{\rm orc}, U_{\rm orc}^{\rm alter} \right] \xrightarrow{r >> 1} \frac{\Delta \left[U_{\rm orc}, U_{\rm orc}^{\rm alter} \right]}{4rd^N},$$

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Numerical results

