



Quantum Integer Programming

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**Quantum Annealing (ctd)
QAOA**

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Agenda

- Minor Embedding
- Tuning Quantum Annealer
- Amazon Braket - Quantum Annealing
- How to do a Benchmarking Study
- Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm
- Amazon Braket - QAOA



Minor Embedding - Example

$$\min_{z \in \{-1, +1\}^3} z_1 z_2 + z_2 z_3 + z_3 z_1$$



$$\min_{y \in \{-1, +1\}^3} y_1 y_2 + y_2 y_3 + y_3 y_4$$

$$\text{s. t. } y_1 = y_4$$

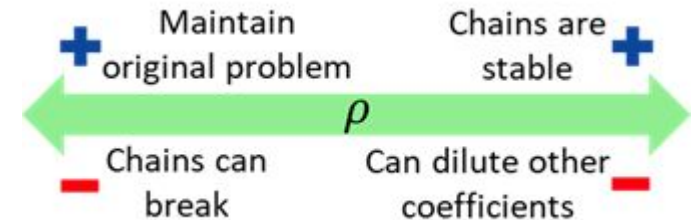
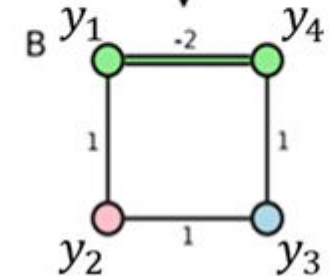
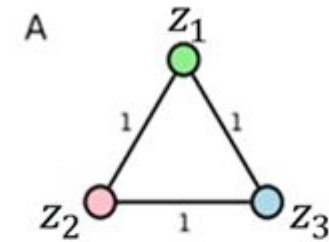
Penalizing the new constraints

$$\min_{y \in \{-1, +1\}^3} y_1 y_2 + y_2 y_3 + y_3 y_4 + \rho (y_1 - y_4)^2$$

$$\min_{y \in \{-1, +1\}^3} y_1 y_2 + y_2 y_3 + y_3 y_4 - \rho y_1 y_4$$

ρ multiplier known as Chain strength

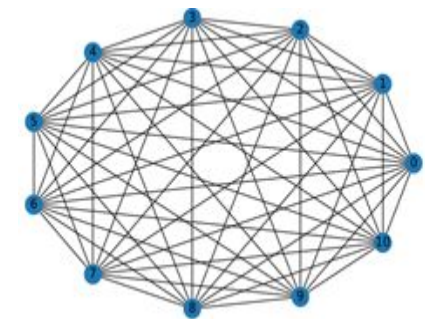
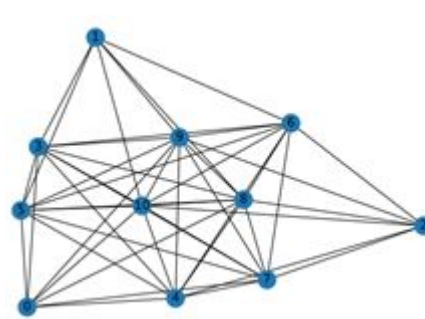
Solution: Make it a factor of the Q coefficients





Minor Embedding - Example

From our main example

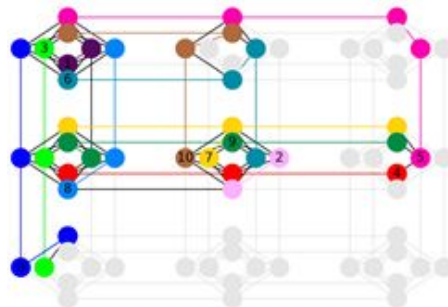
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And embed it into a Chimera graph (subgraph of the Chip)

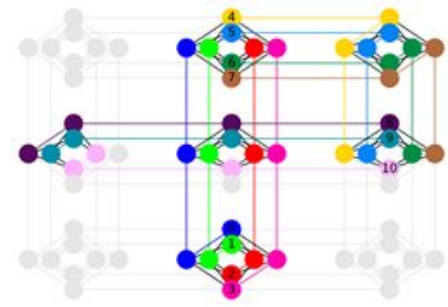
Notice that we need to “duplicate” certain variables into several qubits

This step is non-trivial:

Either use heuristic methods or solve highly constrained problem



Best embedding in 1000 heuristic runs

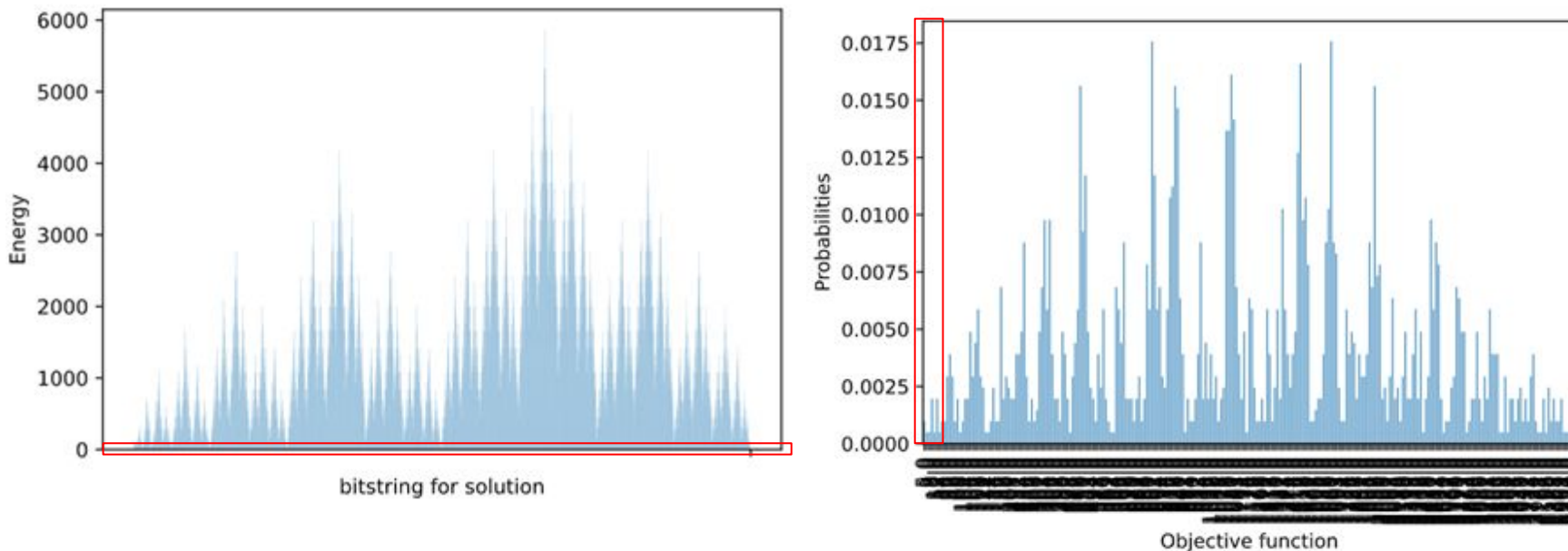


Full graph embedding



Solution via Enumeration

Before presenting the solution using QA let's return to our example
If we enumerate all solutions for the QUBO, we obtain the following profiles

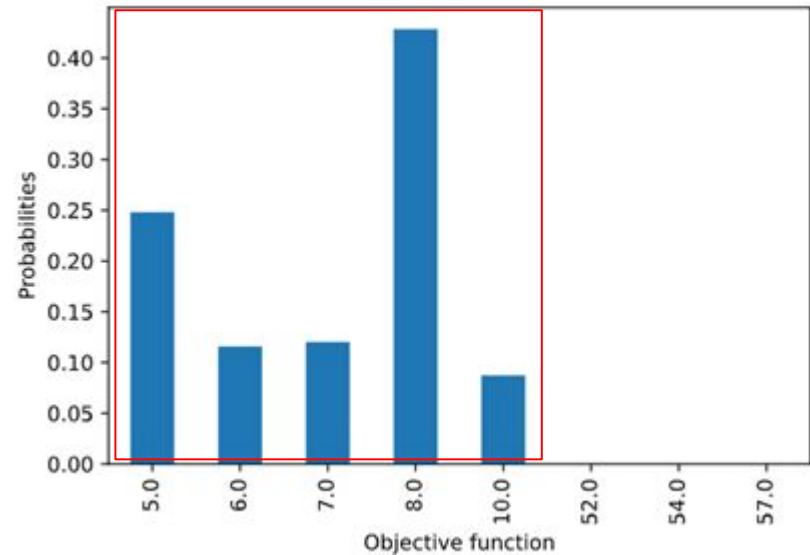
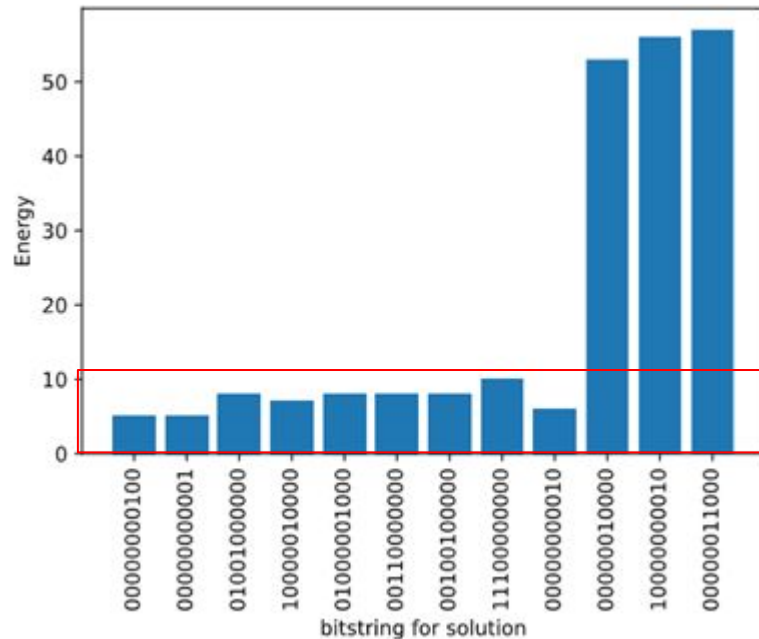


The “infeasible” solutions are heavily penalized and randomly sampling is not an option



Solution via Simulated Annealing

Using classical Simulated Annealing with the default parameters increases the probability of find the optimal solution from $\frac{1}{2}^{11}$ to 0.25 and a feasible solution to almost 1

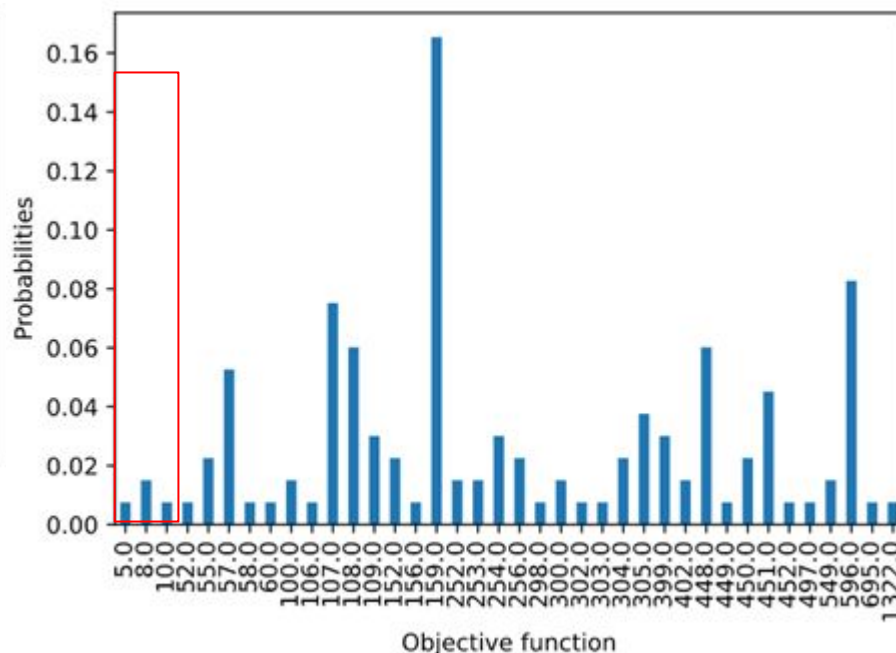
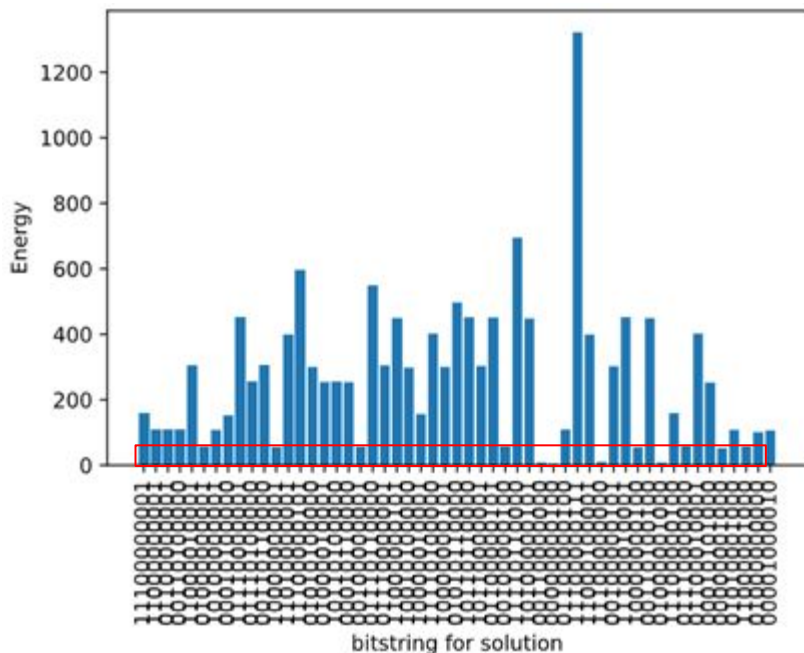


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Solution via Quantum Annealing

Using Quantum Annealing with the default parameters (annealing time, chain strength) results on probability of find the optimal solution of 5/10000 and feasible of 15/10000



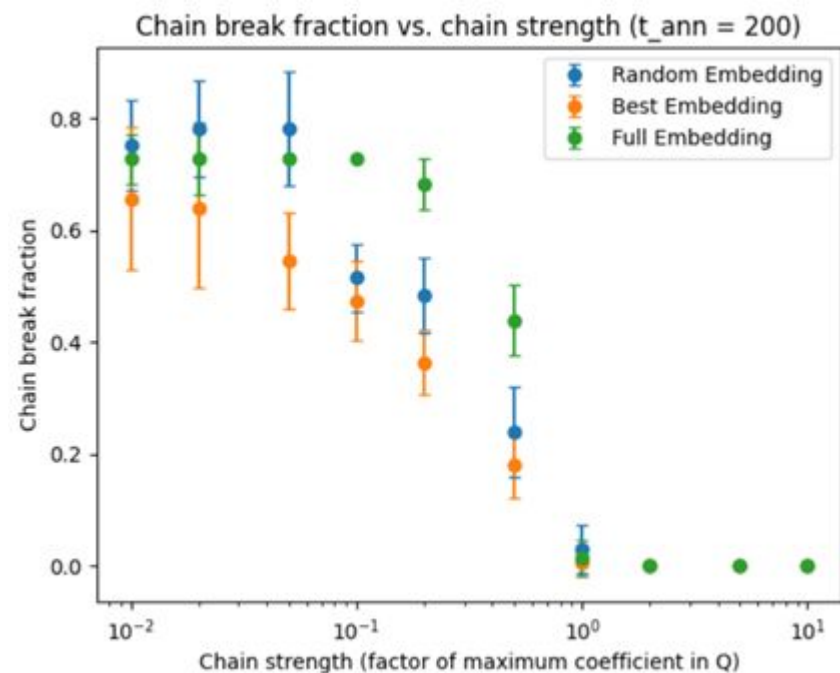
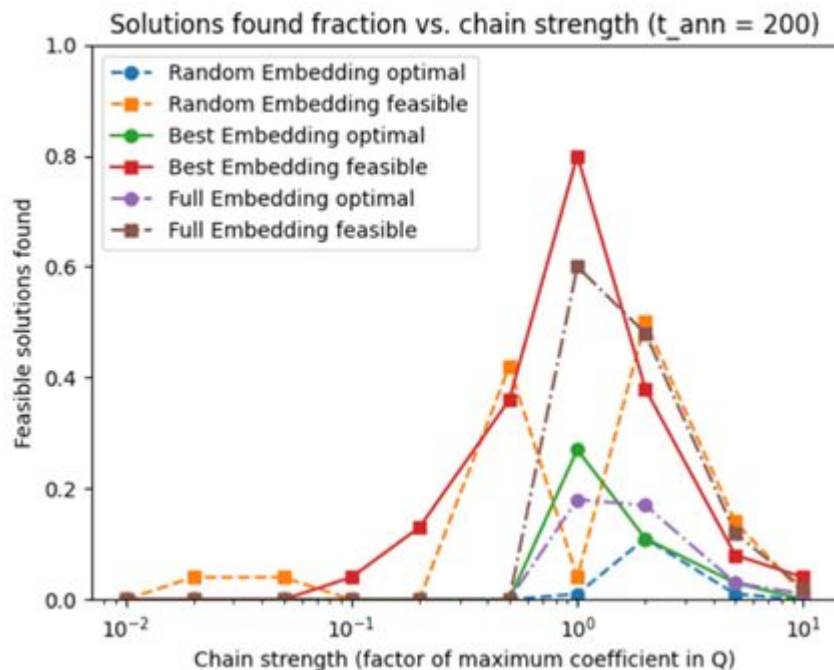


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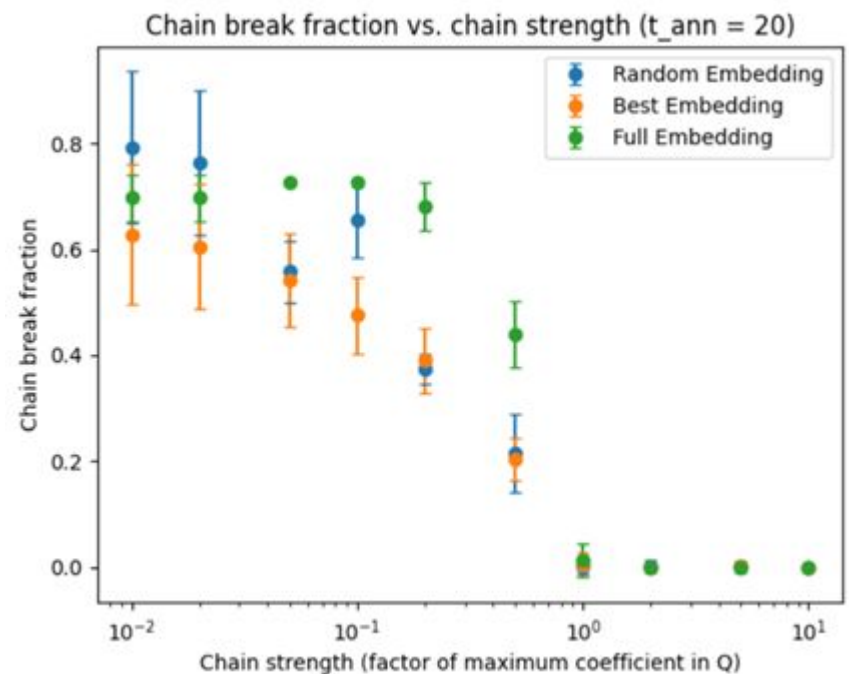
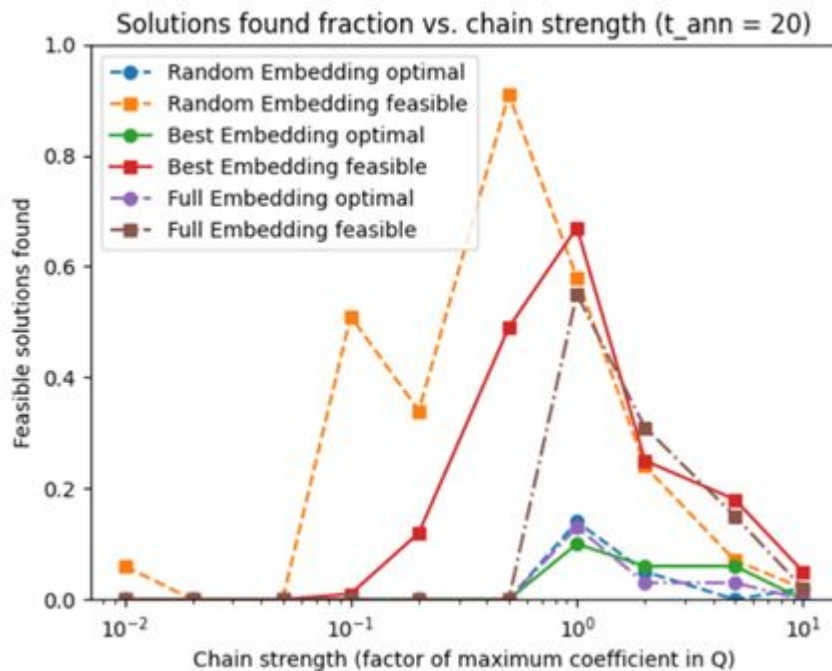


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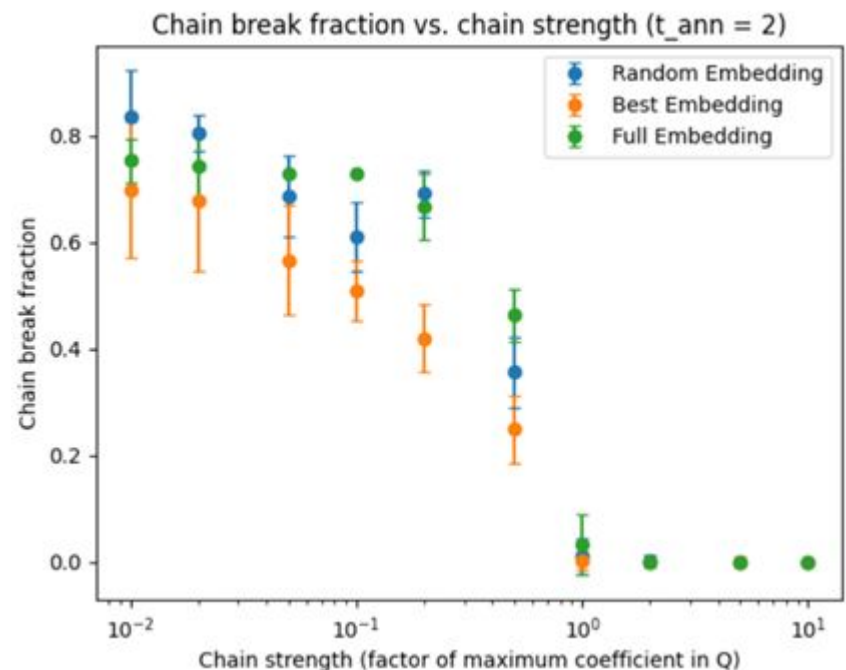
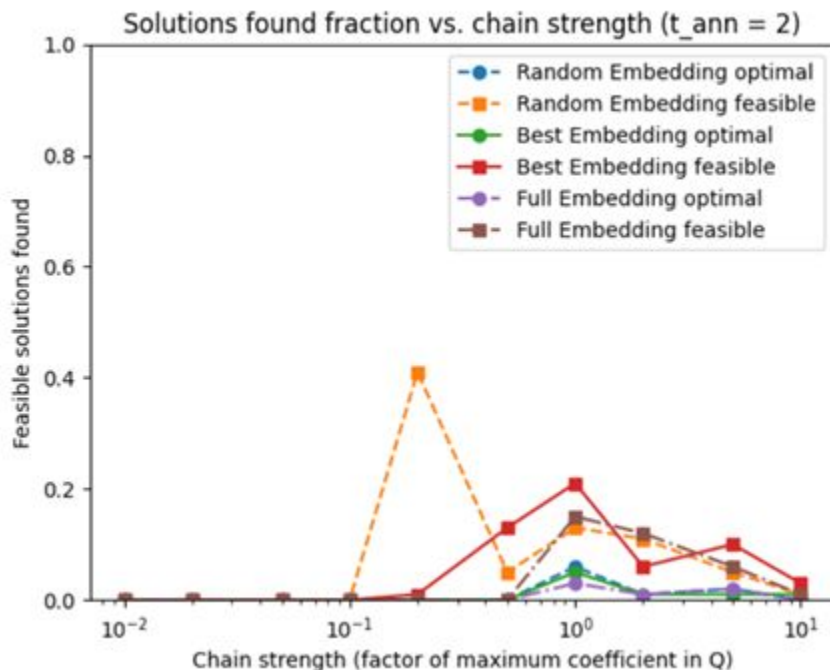


Quantum Annealing tuning

$t = 2\mu s$

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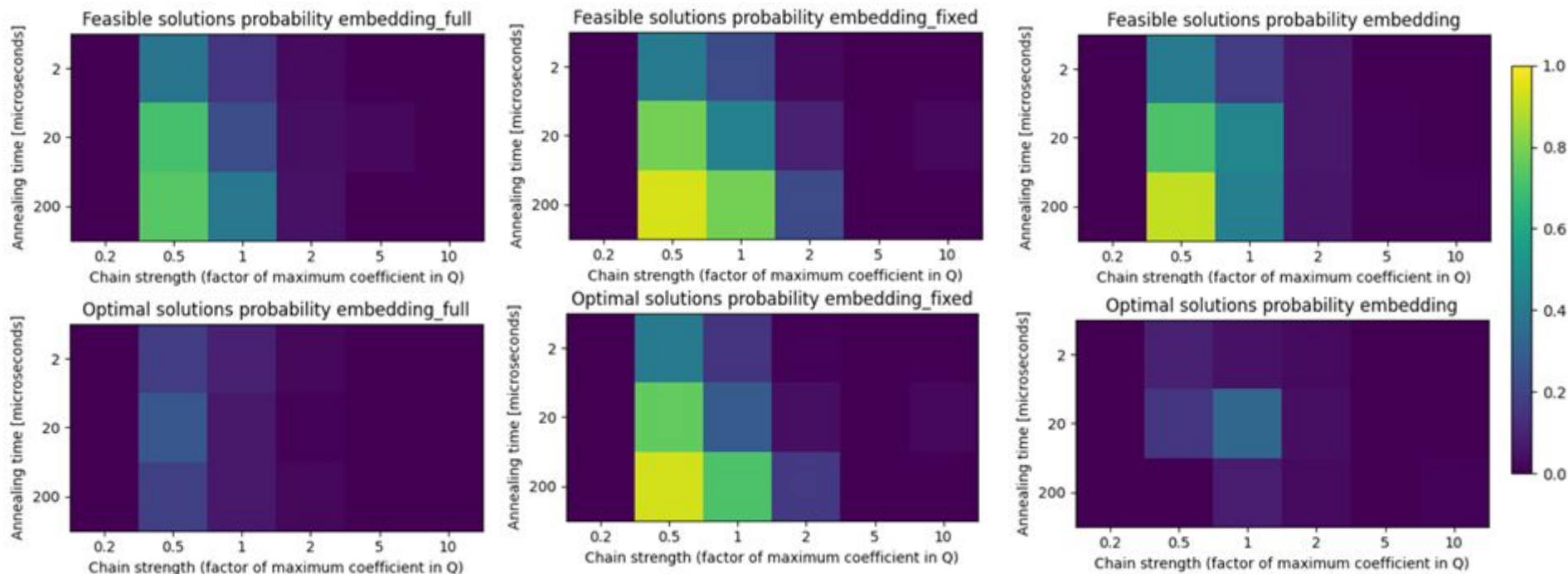
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Quantum Annealing tuning

Longer annealing times and chain strengths of the same order of magnitude as $\max(Q)$ are beneficial for this instance. The best embedding proved to be better than the random or full embeddings.





Amazon Bracket for Quantum Annealing

Let's go to Amazon Bracket

<https://console.aws.amazon.com/braket>



Benchmarking and parameter setting

$$S(N) = \frac{C(N)}{Q(N)}$$

Speedup as a function of problem size

- Provable Quantum Speedup (e.g. Grover)
- Strong Quantum Speedup (e.g. Shor)
- Quantum Speedup (potential, limited)

In the real world what you care about is «speedup at application scale» for your problem of interest.

REPORT

Defining and detecting quantum speedup

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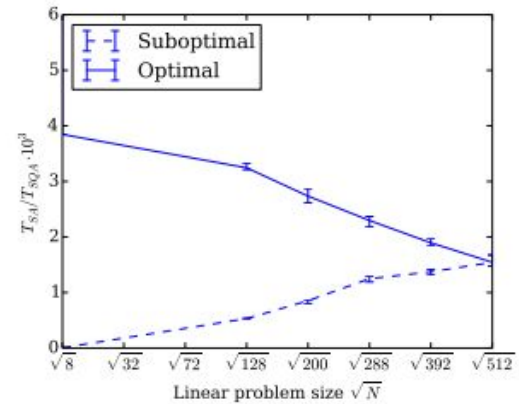


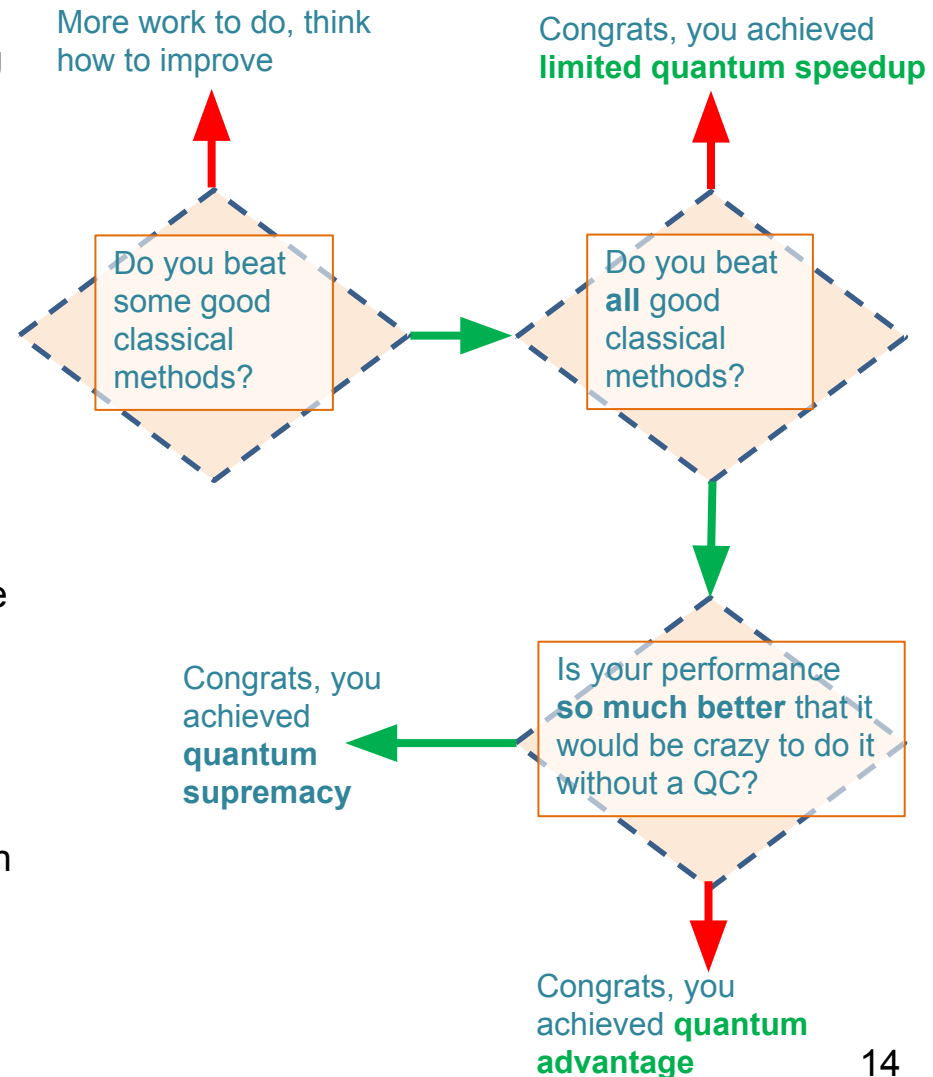
FIG. 2. Pitfalls when detecting speedup. Shown is the speedup of SQA over SA, defined as the ratio of median time to find a solution with 99% probability between SA and SQA. Two cases are presented: a) both SA and SQA run optimally (i.e., the ratio of the true scaling curves shown in Figure 1), and there is no asymptotic speedup (solid line). b) SQA is run suboptimally at small sizes by choosing a fixed large annealing time $t_a = 10000$ MCS (dashed line). The apparent speedup is, however, due to suboptimal performance on small sizes and not indicative of the true asymptotic behavior given by the solid line, which displays a slowdown of SQA compared to SA.





How to do a benchmark study

1. Set up the quantum algorithm on the QPU with some initial parameters
2. Run it a number of times and process the performance collecting the statistics of distribution
3. If performance is not acceptable, use the distribution to choose new parameters (might involve processing)
→ Repeat 1-3 until satisfaction
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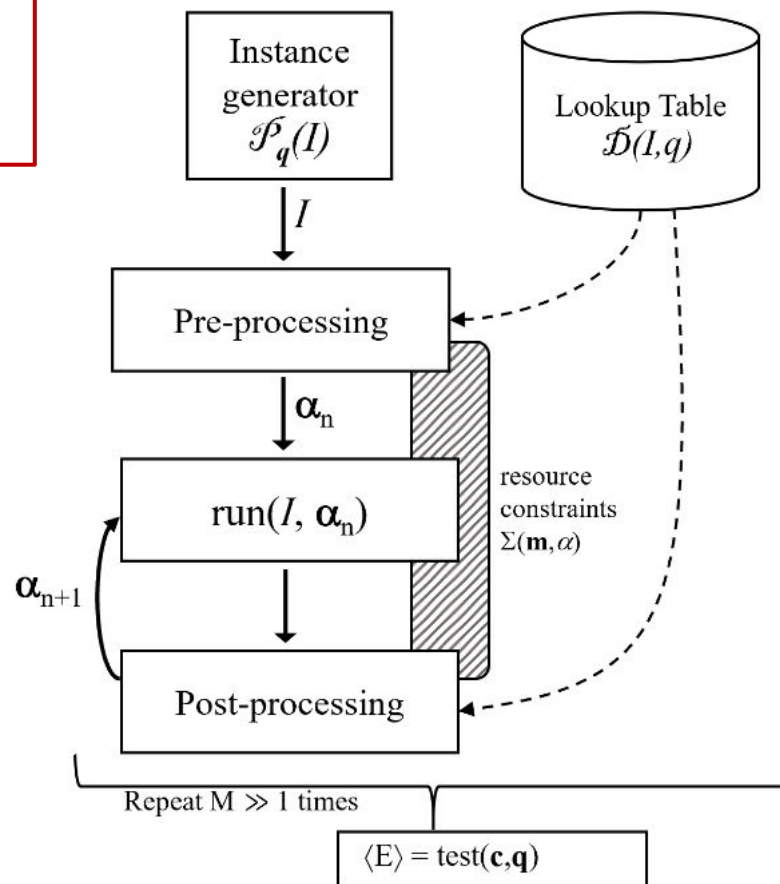
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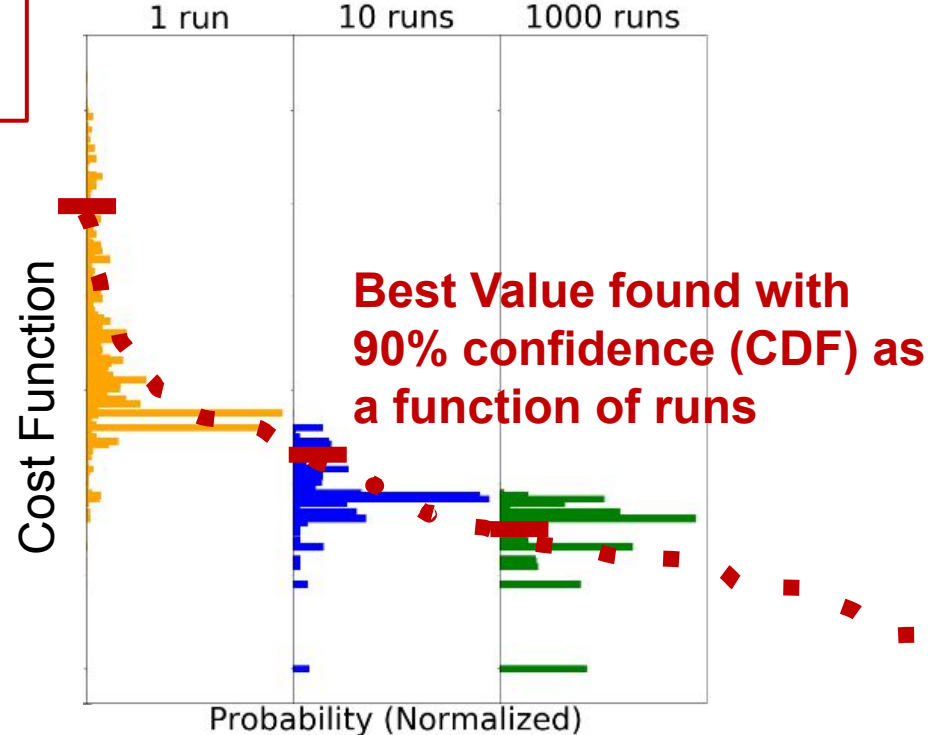
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Expectation value of best found after N IID runs for one instance



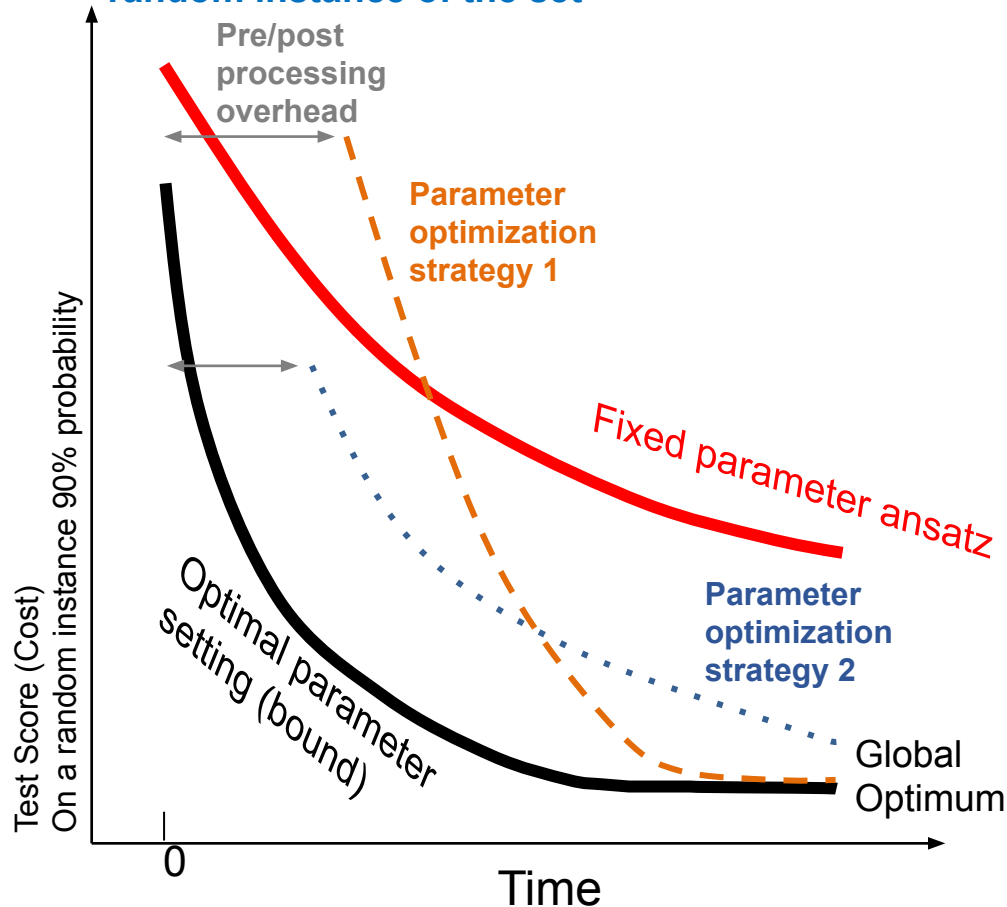
$$\mathbb{E}(Y_N) = \sum_{k=1}^L \left[\left(\sum_{r=k}^L p(x_r) \right)^N - \left(\sum_{r=k+1}^L p(x_r) \right)^N \right] x_k$$



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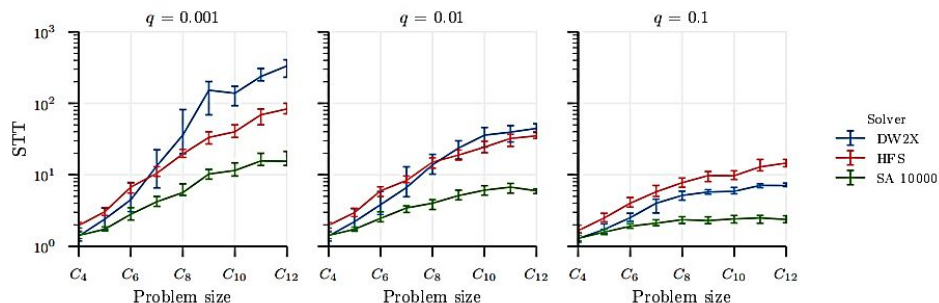
Obtain the profile across the benchmark set for a random instance of the set



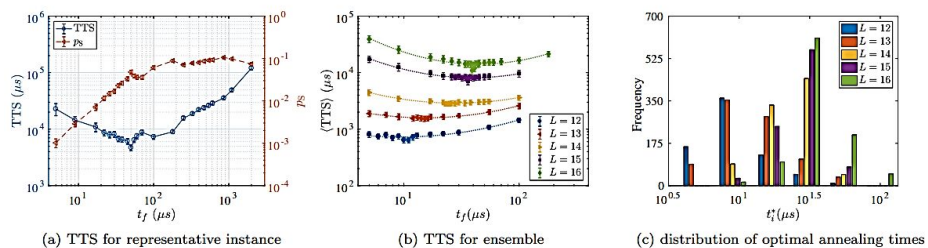


Example benchmarkings

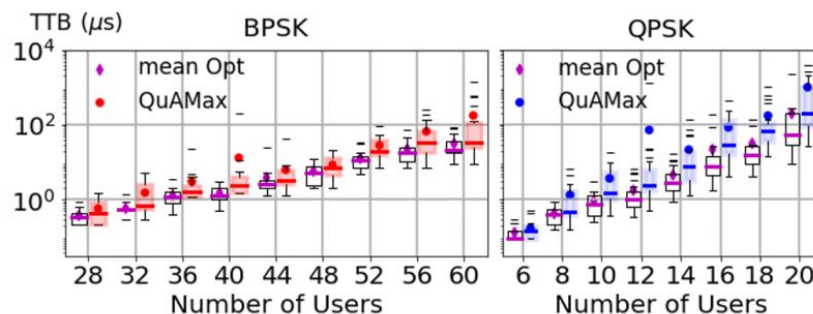
- Time-to-Bit-Error-Rate 10^{-6} (From "Benchmarking a quantum annealing processor with the time-to-target metric" <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1508.05087.pdf>)



- Time-to-solution (From "Demonstration of a scaling advantage for a quantum annealer over simulated annealing" <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1508.05087.pdf>)



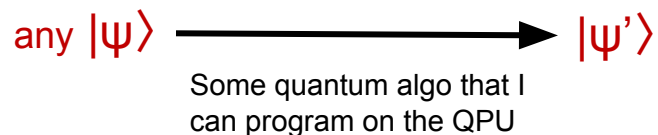
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Universal Quantum Computing

A quantum computer is **UNIVERSAL** if its instruction set allows the implementation of any algorithm allowed by quantum mechanics.



The time-evolution of the Ising model in a transverse field (Quantum Annealing as implemented in D-Wave) is **NOT** universal. However the general AQC procedure is universal (need more complex H_p and H_D).

Why you might want a Universal Quantum Computer?

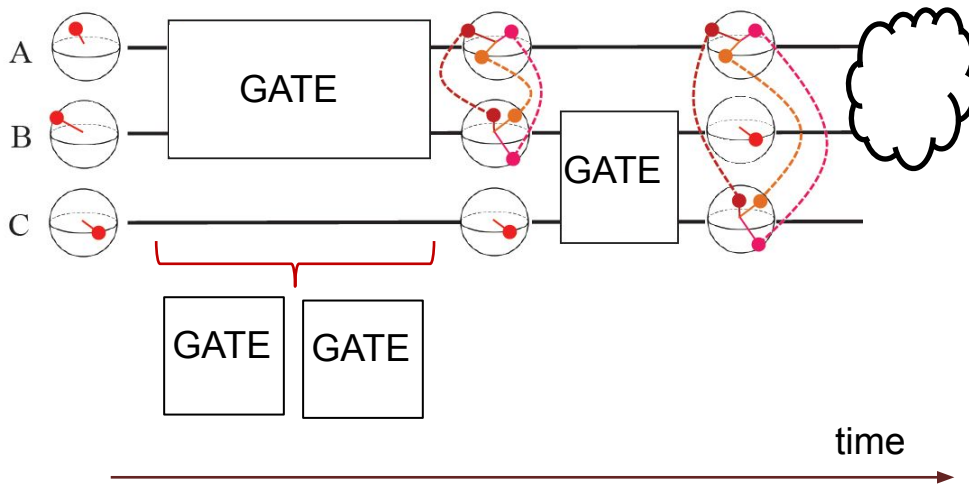
- (1) Simulation of Quantum Systems
- (2) Flexibility of implementation of multiple quantum algorithms (e.g. Grover/Shor)
- (3) Exploit all the power of quantum mechanics
- (4) Making sure that what you do is not classically simulatable efficiently

For quantum advantage in optimization heuristics, universality is not necessarily required (the final state we are searching is classical).



Gate-Model and Quantum Circuits

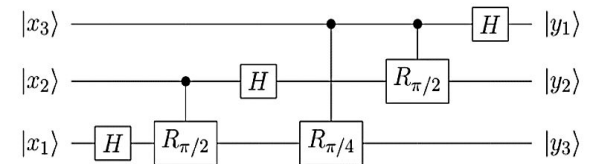
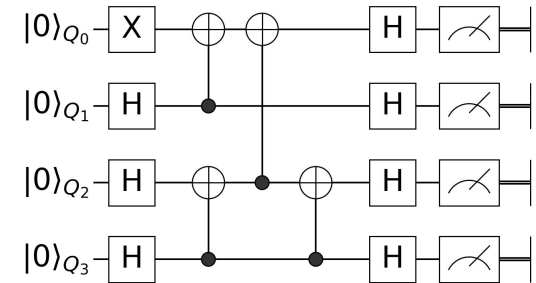
The gate-model is a simple way to break down the quantum coherent operations we use in quantum computing.



$$U = U_{BC} U_{AB} |ABC\rangle$$

$$U_{AB} |ABC\rangle = \psi_{00}|00C\rangle + \psi_{01}|01C\rangle + \psi_{10}|10C\rangle + \psi_{11}|11C\rangle$$

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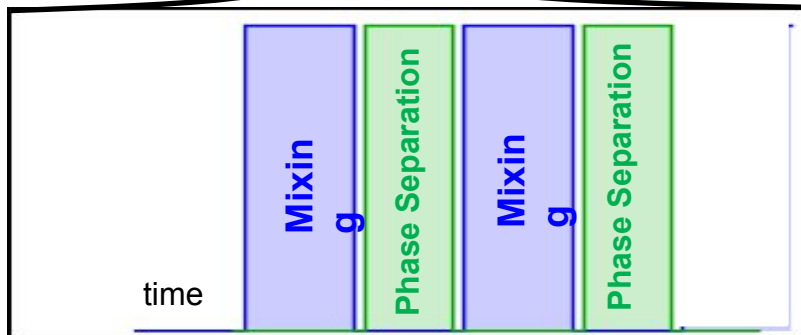
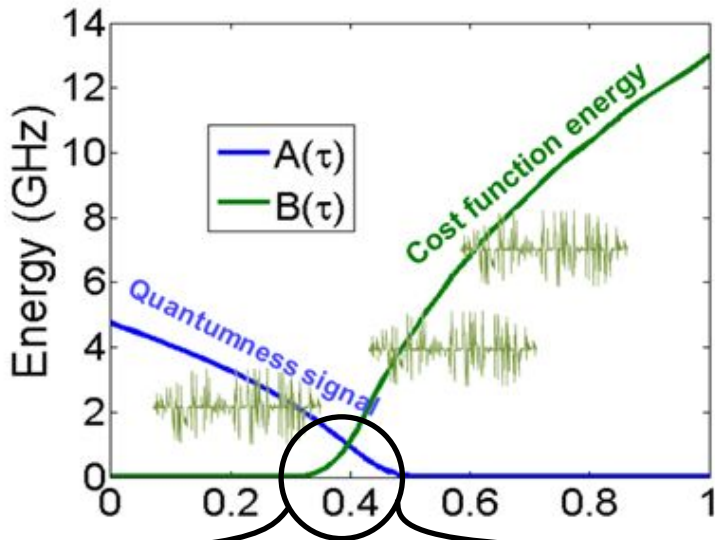


Reminder: every operation on a N qubit system is mathematically equivalent to multiplying a unitary matrix of $2^N \times 2^N$ to a normalized vector.
= you cannot keep track numerically of the amplitudes of large circuits.



Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm

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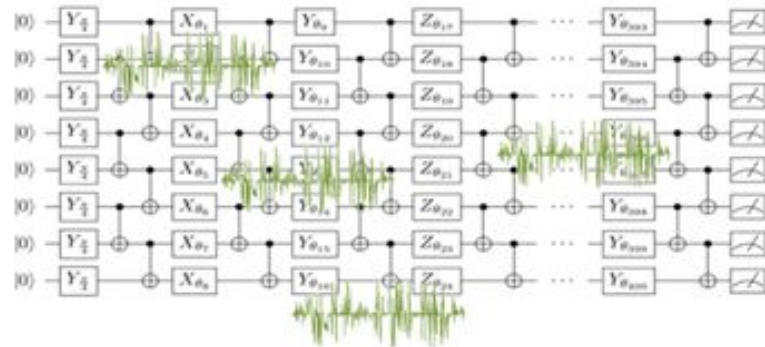
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A Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm

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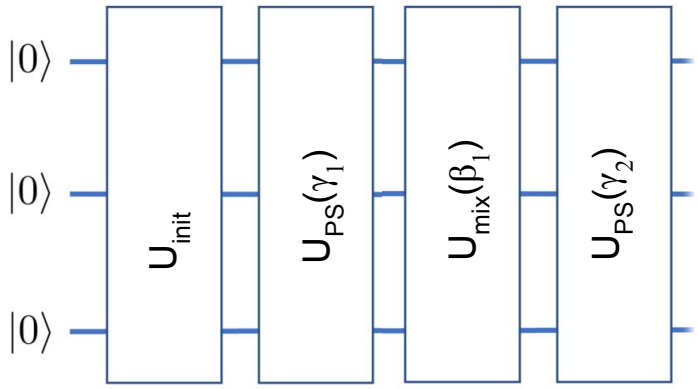
Sam Gutmann

- QAOA aims to implement (a)diabatic transitions coherent operations more flexibly than AQC (digitally).
- For infinite circuit this is at least as powerful as AQC.
- For finite circuit its power is unknown in general.





Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm: Example



mix the amplitudes by a transverse field rotation $\exp(i\beta X)$ on each qubit (arbitrary parameter)

$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{mix}(1)} = (2^{n/2})^{-1} \sum_s \beta_{1s}(\beta_1, \gamma_1) e^{i\gamma_1 s} |\mathbf{s}\rangle$$

Now if you measure, the probability of a bitstring depends both on γ and β in a non-linear way.

Initialization operator

Phase separation operator dependent on a parameter γ_1

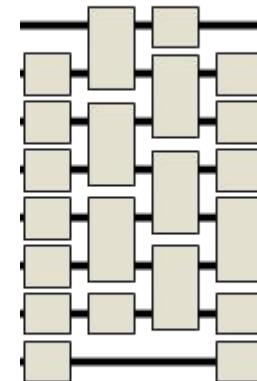
Exercise $R_y(-\pi/2)R_x(\pi)|0\rangle = (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$

$$|\text{in}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^N}} \sum_{n=1}^{2^N} |\text{solution}(n)\rangle$$

$$\exp(i\beta Z_1 Z_2) |\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2\rangle = e^{i\beta s_1 s_2} |\mathbf{s}_1 \mathbf{s}_2\rangle$$

Logical 2-qubit gate representing the Ising interaction

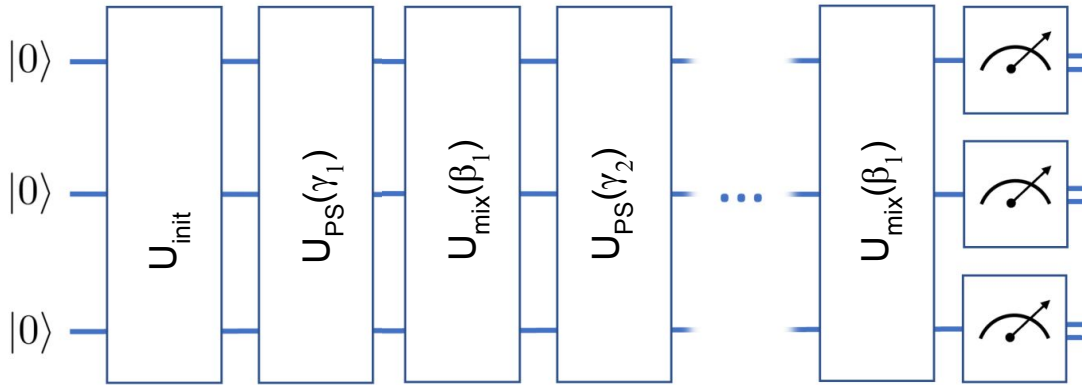
$$|\psi\rangle_{N\text{qubits}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^N}} \sum_{n=1}^{2^N} e^{iE_n} |\text{solution}(n)\rangle$$



You need to schedule the gates for every term of the objective function !



Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm: Example



$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{qaoa}(p)} = (2^{N/2})^{-1} \sum_s \mathbf{B}_{2s}(\beta_1, \gamma_1, \beta_2, \gamma_2, \dots, \beta_p, \gamma_p) e^{i\Gamma_{1s}(\beta_1, \gamma_1, \beta_2, \gamma_2, \dots, \beta_p, \gamma_p)} |s\rangle$$

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It is exponentially difficult to predict or simulate the probability $|\mathbf{B}_{2s^*}(\beta_1, \gamma_1, \beta_2, \gamma_2, \dots, \beta_p, \gamma_p)|^2$ to find the optimal unknown solution s^*

For $p=\infty$ you can map this evolution to AQC; discrete becomes continuous; so you know how to do it. For finite p there is currently not a lot of guidance, big sector of research.

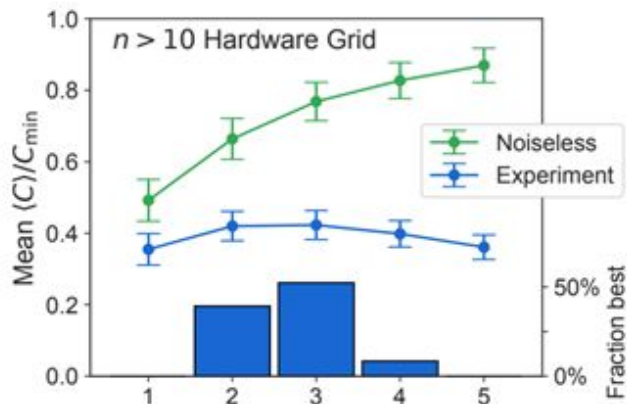
The search over the parameter space γ and β is done heuristically (e.g. Gradient descent)



Recent Results: QAOA

Quantum Approximate Optimization of Non-Planar Graph Problems on a Planar Superconducting Processor

Google AI Quantum and Collaborators*
(Dated: April 10, 2020)



Reference	Date	Problem topology	$\Delta(G)$	n	p	Optimization
Otterbach <i>et al.</i> [22]	2017-12	Hardware	3	19	1	Yes
Qiang <i>et al.</i> [27]	2018-08	Hardware	1	2	1	No
Pagano <i>et al.</i> [26]	2019-06	Hardware ¹ (system 1)	n	12, 20	1	Yes
		Hardware ¹ (system 2)	n	20-40	1-2 ⁽²⁾	No
Willsch <i>et al.</i> [23]	2019-07	Hardware	3	8	1	No
Abrams <i>et al.</i> [24]	2019-12	Ring	2	4	1	No
		Fully-connected	n			No
Bengtsson <i>et al.</i> [25]	2019-12	Hardware	1	2	1, 2	Yes
This work		Hardware	4	2-23	1-5	Yes
		3-regular	3	4-22	1-3	Yes
		Fully-connected	n	3-17	1-3	Yes

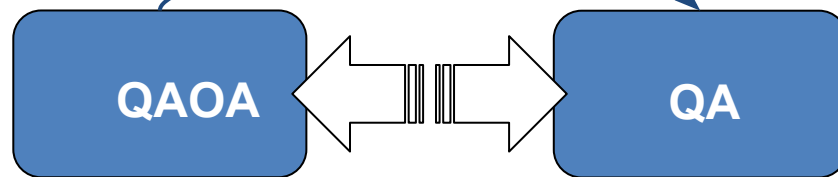
Optimizing Variational Quantum Algorithms Using Pontryagin's Minimum Principle

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Low depth mechanisms for quantum optimization

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Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm: Performance, Mechanism, and Implementation on Near-Term Devices

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DARPA Optimization with Noisy Intermediate Scale Quantum systems (ONISQ)

From the Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm to a Quantum Alternating Operator Ansatz

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