

Generators and Relations for the Group $O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$

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Motivation

- Integral Clifford+T circuits play an important role in many quantum algorithms.
- Given an orthogonal dyadic matrix, how to find a circuit for it?
- How to ensure that we find a short circuit?

Basic Gates

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (-1) = [-1],$$

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad K = H \otimes H = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Two-level Operators

Definition

Let $U = \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$. The action of $U_{[\alpha,\beta]}$, $1 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq n$, is defined as

$$U_{[\alpha,\beta]}v = w, \text{ where } \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} w_\alpha \\ w_\beta \end{bmatrix} = U \begin{bmatrix} v_\alpha \\ v_\beta \end{bmatrix}, \\ w_i = v_i, i \notin \{\alpha, \beta\}. \end{cases}$$

Example

$$\text{Let } X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Then } X_{[2,3]} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } X_{[2,3]} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_3 \\ v_2 \\ v_4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Four-level Operator $U_{[\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta]}$

Similarly, we can create a four-level operator by embedding a 4×4 matrix U into an $n \times n$ identity matrix.

Example

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Then } K_{[1,2,4,6]} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & -1/2 & 0 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 & -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$K_{[1,2,4,6]} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ v_4 \\ v_5 \\ v_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (v_1 + v_2 + v_4 + v_6)/2 \\ (v_1 - v_2 + v_4 - v_6)/2 \\ v_3 \\ (v_1 + v_2 - v_4 - v_6)/2 \\ v_5 \\ (v_1 - v_2 - v_4 + v_6)/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Generators of $O_n(\mathbb{Z}[1/2])$

- Our generating set:

$$\mathcal{G} = \{(-1)_{[\alpha]}, X_{[\alpha,\beta]}, K_{[\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta]} : 1 \leq \alpha < \beta < \gamma < \delta \leq n\}.$$

Exact Synthesis of Integral Clifford+T Circuits

Theorem (Amy et al., 2020)

Let M be a unitary $n \times n$ matrix. Then $M \in O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$ if and only if M can be written as a product of elements of \mathcal{G} .

Proof

\Leftarrow) $\mathcal{G} \subset O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$ and $O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$ is closed under multiplication.

Synthesis Algorithm in a Nutshell

Proof

\Rightarrow) For every $M \in O_n(\mathbb{Z}[1/2])$, construct a sequence of generators representing M .

$$M \xrightarrow{\vec{G}_1} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|cc} & & & 0 & 0 \\ & & & \vdots & \vdots \\ & M' & & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\vec{G}_2} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|cc} & & & 0 & 0 \\ & & & \vdots & \vdots \\ & M'' & & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\vec{G}_3} \dots \xrightarrow{\vec{G}_\ell} \mathbb{I}$$

$$\vec{G}_\ell \cdot \dots \cdot \vec{G}_1 M = \mathbb{I} \Rightarrow M = (\vec{G}_\ell \cdot \dots \cdot \vec{G}_1)^{-1}.$$

Characterize Integral Clifford+T Circuits

Corollary (Amy et al., 2020)

\mathcal{G} can be exactly represented by integral Clifford+T circuits using at most one clean ancilla.

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Complexity of a Vector

Definition (Least Denominator Exponent)

Let $t \in \mathbb{Z} \left[\frac{1}{2} \right]$. A natural number $k \in \mathbb{N}$ is a *denominator exponent* for t if $2^k t \in \mathbb{Z}$. The least such k is called the *least denominator exponent* of t , written $\text{lde}(t)$.

Lemma

Let $v \in \mathbb{Z} \left[\frac{1}{2} \right]^n$ be a unit vector. Let $k = \text{lde}(v)$. If $k = 0$, then $v = \pm e_j$ for some $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Correctness of the Synthesis Algorithm

Lemma (Parity)

Let u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 be odd integers. Then there exists $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \tau_4 \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ such that

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Proof.

Let $w = 2^k v \in \mathbb{Z}^n$. Since $v^T v = 1$, we have $w^T w = 4^k$ and therefore $\sum w_j^2 = 4^k$. Note that $w_j^2 \equiv 1(4)$ if and only if w_j is odd and $w_j^2 \equiv 0(4)$ if and only if w_j is even. Hence the number of w_j such that $w_j^2 \equiv 1(4)$ is a multiple of 4. \square

Example (Input: $v \in \mathbb{Z} \left[\frac{1}{2} \right]^8$ Output: G_1, G_2, G_3 Result: $G_3 \cdot G_2 \cdot G_1 \cdot v = e_1$)

$$v : \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{G_1 = K_{[1,2,3,4]}(-1)[4](-1)[3](-1)[1]} v' : \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{G_2 = K_{[5,6,7,8]}(-1)[5]}$$

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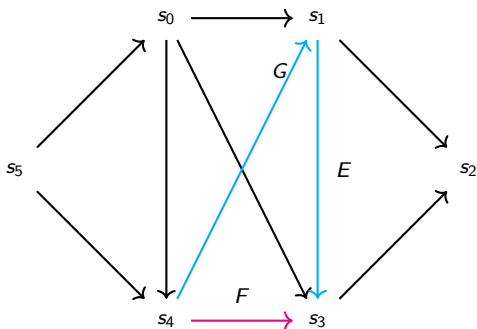
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Graph Representation of $O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$

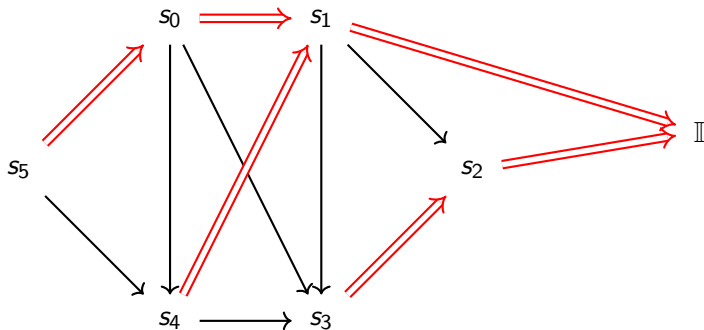
1. Build a graph for $O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$.



- Vertex = group element (aka, operators, matrices, states).
- Edge = a sequence of generators (e.g., $FS_4 = s_3$).
- Cycle = relation (e.g., $EG = F$).

Proof of Completeness

2. The exact synthesis algorithm gives a canonical path from each group element to \mathbb{I} .



Semantic Equivalence

- A *word* is a sequence of generators. We write \vec{G} for $G_q \dots G_1$.
- Each operator has a unique *normal form*, which is the word output by the exact synthesis algorithm.
- The *interpretation* of \vec{G} is $\llbracket \vec{G} \rrbracket = G_q \cdot \dots \cdot G_1$.

Definition

Two words \vec{G} and \vec{F} are *semantically equivalent*, written $\vec{G} \sim \vec{F}$, if $\llbracket \vec{G} \rrbracket = \llbracket \vec{F} \rrbracket$.

Motivation

Let \mathcal{C}_1 and \mathcal{C}_2 be two circuits where

$$\mathcal{C}_1 = X_{[1,2]}X_{[3,4]}X_{[1,2]}, \quad \mathcal{C}_2 = X_{[3,4]}.$$

To see if $\mathcal{C}_1 \sim \mathcal{C}_2$, we can check

- by direct computation;
- or by simplifying \mathcal{C}_1 :

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Syntactic Equivalence

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Two words \vec{G} and \vec{F} are *syntactically equivalent*, written $\vec{G} \approx \vec{F}$, where \approx is the smallest congruence relation on words containing R_1, \dots, R_k and such that

$$\vec{G} \approx \vec{G}', \vec{F} \approx \vec{F}' \Rightarrow \vec{G}\vec{F} \approx \vec{G}'\vec{F}'.$$

Question: Can we use syntactic and semantic relations interchangeably?

Goal

Theorem (Analogous to Greylyn's Theorem, 2014)

Let \vec{G} and \vec{F} be words over \mathcal{G} of $O_n(\mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$, then

$$\vec{G} \approx \vec{F} \iff \vec{G} \sim \vec{F}$$

Theorem (Soundness)

$$\vec{G} \approx \vec{F} \Rightarrow \vec{G} \sim \vec{F}$$

Proof

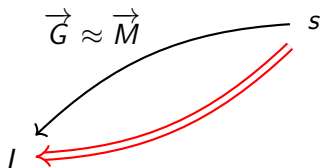
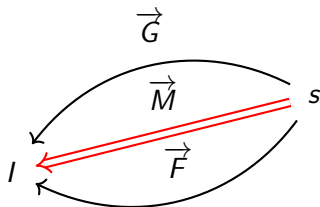
By matrix multiplication.

Theorem (Completeness)

$$\vec{G} \sim \vec{F} \Rightarrow \vec{G} \approx \vec{F}$$

Proof Idea

If two words are semantically equivalent, they corresponds to the same normal form. If we can reduce an arbitrary path to its normal form using **syntactic relations**, this implies completeness.



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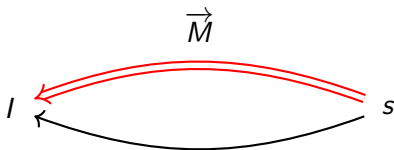
Proof of Completeness

Use induction to leverage **finitely** many syntactic relations such that an arbitrary path can be rewritten into its equivalent canonical path.

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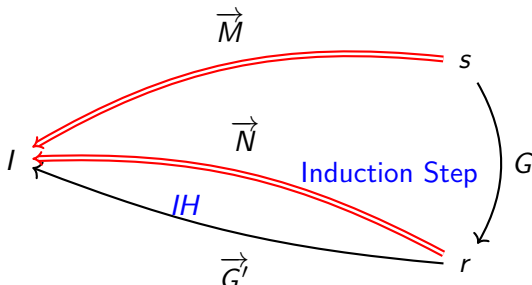


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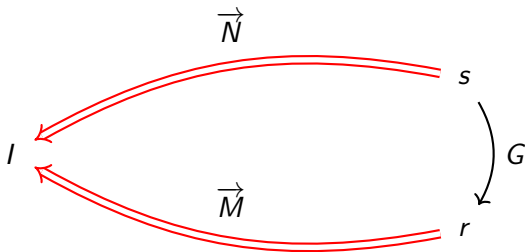
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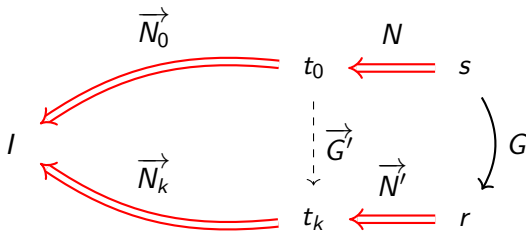
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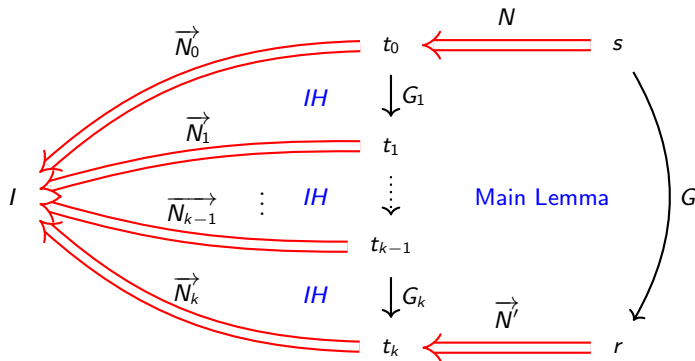
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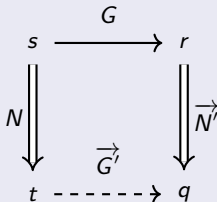
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Main Lemma

Let s , t , and r be states, $N : s \Rightarrow t$ be a normal edge, and $G : s \rightarrow r$ be a simple edge. Then there exists a state q , a sequence of normal edges $\vec{N}' : r \Rightarrow q$ and a sequence of simple edges $\vec{G}' : t \rightarrow q$ such that the diagram



commutes syntactically and $\text{level}(\vec{G}' : t \rightarrow q) < \text{level}(s)$.

Proof

Since t and N are uniquely determined by s , and r is uniquely determined by G , it suffices to distinguish cases based on the pair (s, G) .

Basic Edges

Definition

Consider

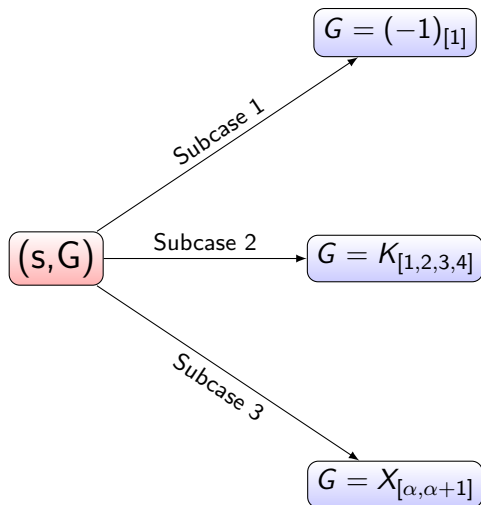
$$\mathcal{G}' = \{X_{[\alpha, \alpha+1]}, K_{[1,2,3,4]}, (-1)_{[1]} \mid 1 \leq \alpha \leq n-1\}$$

and $\mathcal{G}' \subset \mathcal{G}$. We call an element from \mathcal{G} a simple generator, an element from \mathcal{G}' a basic generator. Furthermore, an edge $s \xrightarrow{G} t$ is simple if G is a simple generator. An edge $s \xrightarrow{G} t$ is basic if G is a basic generator.

Lemma

Basic edges and simple edges can be used interchangeably while the levels of edges are respected.

Proof by Cases



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Thank You!