Quantum mechanics and quantum computing from classical bits



# Quantum mechanics from cellular automata



#### Infinitely many bits : this is possible

Deterministic evolution – probabilistic interpretation

quantum mechanics arises from

quantum subsystems

subsystems are genuinely probabilistic
 part of information is lost by focus on subsystem

partially "integrating out" degrees of freedom

#### Determinism vs. Probabilism





#### "Does god throw dices ?"

#### ... an old dispute

#### Gott würfelt

#### Gott würfelt nicht



"Es scheint hart, dem Herrgott in die Karten zu gucken. Aber dass er würfelt und sich telepatischer Mittel bedient (wie es ihm von der gegenwärtigen Quantentheorie zugemutet wird), kann ich keinen Augenblick glauben.."

Einstein: Brief an Cornelius Lanczos am 21. März 1942

#### not todays topic

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#### determinism vs. probabilism

- my personal view :
- determinism not needed
- one can start with probabilistic theory and probabilistic evolution
- nevertheless : deterministic evolution is a possible option

Embedding of quantum mechanics in classical statistics

#### □ it works

- quantum mechanics does not need new fundamental concepts beyond classical statistics
- raises interesting new questions

# Does our brain use quantum computing?

Do artificial neural networks employ quantum algorithms ?

Can classical statistical memory materials perform quantum operations ?

#### Quantum subsystem

One qubit from three classical Ising spins

Ising spin : macroscopic two-level observable Neuron fires above or below certain level Particle present or not Bit in a computer

# Three Ising spins (classical bits ) $s_k(t) = \pm 1, \ k = 1, 2, 3$

#### Arbitrary macroscopic two-level observables

Eight states 
$$\tau = 1, \dots, 8$$

We may number the states by (0,0,0), (0,0,1), (0,1,0), (0,1,1), (1,0,0), (1,0,1), (1,1,0), (1,1,1), where 1 denotes spin up and 0 stands for spin down. The expectation value of  $s_3$  is then given by  $\langle s_3 \rangle = -p_1 + p_2 - p_3 + p_4 - p_5 + p_6 - p_7 + p_8$ , or for  $A = s_1 s_2$  one has  $\langle s_1 s_2 \rangle = p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4 - p_5 - p_6 + p_7 + p_8$ . We denote the expectation values of the three spins by  $\rho_z$ ,  $z = 1, \ldots, 3$ ,

Classical statistics

$$p_{\tau} \ge 0$$
,  $\sum_{\tau} p_{\tau} = 1$ 

$$\langle A \rangle = \sum_{\tau} A_{\tau} p_{\tau}$$

#### One qubit from three classical bits

Expectation values :

$$\rho_z = \langle s_z \rangle, \quad -1 \le \rho_z \le 1$$

Quantum subsystem defined by density matrix

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \rho_z \tau_z), \quad \rho^{\dagger} = \rho, \quad tr(\rho) = 1$$

Only part of classical statistical information used for subsystem

 $\rho_1 = -p_1 - p_2 - p_3 - p_4 + p_5 + p_6 + p_7 + p_8$   $\rho_2 = -p_1 - p_2 + p_3 + p_4 - p_5 - p_6 + p_7 + p_8$  $\rho_3 = -p_1 + p_2 - p_3 + p_4 - p_5 + p_6 - p_7 + p_8.$ 

# Subsystem in space of correlation functions



## Thermalization of pure quantum state

where does the information go ? into n – point functions with extremely high n ! (Avogadro's number) initial information is no longer visible in low order correlation functions, which approach thermal equilibrium values subsystem : low order correlation functions

Aarts, Bonini, Berges, Borsanyi...

#### Quantum subsystems

Quantum systems are subsystems of classical statistical systems

They use only part of the available probabilistic information

Incomplete statistics

#### **Incomplete statistics**

Classical correlation function

between Ising spin 1 and Ising spin 2 cannot be computed from information in subsystem !



It involves information about environment of subsystem : probabilistic information beyond

$$\rho_z = \langle s_z \rangle$$

incomplete statistics is origin of representation of observables by non-commuting operators Non-commuting operators

$$L_z = \tau_z$$

Quantum rule for expectation values follows from classical statistical rules :

$$\langle s_z \rangle = \operatorname{tr} \left( L_z \rho \right) = \rho_z$$

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#### Quantum condition

Positivity of density matrix requires quantum condition :

 $\rho_z \rho_z \le 1$ 

This implies uncertainty relation !

#### Not every classical probability distribution admits a quantum subsystem





#### Pure quantum states

saturation of quantum condition :

pure state

density matrix can be written as bilinear in complex wave function

#### Quantum computing

 quantum computing proceeds by quantum gates
 discrete unitary transformations of density matrix in consecutive time steps

$$\rho(t+\epsilon) = U(t)\rho(t)U^{\dagger}(t)$$

a few basic gates are sufficient

#### Quantum gates

Unitary transformation of density matrix

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Single qubit: Rotation

$$U_T = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0\\ 0 & e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} \end{array}\right)$$

Hadamard gate

$$U_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

Two qubits: CNOT gate

$$U_C = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0\\ 0 & \tau_1 \end{array}\right)$$

#### **Realization of quantum gates**

 by deterministic manipulations of classical bits or Ising spins

cellular automata

 by changes of classical probability distribution for classical bits

probabilistic computing

$$U_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rho_1 \to \rho_3, \quad \rho_2 \to -\rho_2, \quad \rho_3 \to \rho_1$$

$$p_1 \leftrightarrow p_3 \,, \quad p_2 \leftrightarrow p_7 \,, \quad p_4 \leftrightarrow p_5 \,, \quad p_6 \leftrightarrow p_8$$

#### Can be realized by deterministic spin flip

$$s_1 \leftrightarrow s_3, \, s_2 \rightarrow -s_2$$

# A few one qubit gates

$$\begin{split} s_1 \to s_2 \,, \, s_2 \to -s_1 \,:\, \rho_1 \to \rho_2 \,, \, \rho_2 \to -\rho_1 \,:\, U_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} \,, \\ s_3 \to s_1 \,,\, s_1 \to -s_3 \,:\, \rho_3 \to \rho_1 \,,\, \rho_1 \to -\rho_3 \,:\, U_{31} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \,, \\ s_1 \to -s_1 \,,\, s_2 \to -s_2 \,:\, \rho_1 \to -\rho_1 \,,\, \rho_2 \to -\rho_2 \,:\, U_Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \,, \\ s_1 \to -s_1 \,,\, s_3 \to -s_3 \,:\, \rho_1 \to -\rho_1 \,,\, \rho_3 \to -\rho_3 \,:\, U_Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \,, \\ s_2 \to -s_2 \,,\, s_3 \to -s_3 \,:\, \rho_2 \to -\rho_2 \,,\, \rho_3 \to -\rho_3 \,:\, U_X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \,. \end{split}$$

### Bit - quantum map

classical probability distribution

quantum subsystem



#### Complete bit – quantum map

every positive density matrix of the quantum subsystem can be realized by suitable classical probability distribution

then all quantum operations can be performed by suitable changes of classical probability distribution



#### Single qubit quantum gates

Unitary transformation of density matrix

$$\rho(t+\epsilon) = U(t)\rho(t)U^{\dagger}(t)$$

Rotation	$U_T = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0\\ 0 & e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} \end{array}\right)$
Hadamard gate	$U_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$

can be realized by suitable change of classical probability distribution rotation : not deterministic

## Two qubits

$$\rho = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \rho_z L_z) = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \rho_{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu}) \qquad \rho_z = \rho_{\mu\nu} = \langle \sigma_{\mu\nu} \rangle$$

SU(4)-generators : 
$$L_z = L_{\mu\nu} = \tau_{\mu} \otimes \tau_{\nu}$$

use fifteen classical bits or use eight classical bits and correlations

$$\rho_{k0} = \langle s_k^{(1)} \rangle, \quad \rho_{0k} = \langle s_k^{(2)} \rangle, \quad \rho_{kl} = \langle s_k^{(1)} s_l^{(2)} \rangle$$

different bit - quantum maps

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### CNOT gate for two qubits

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CNOT – gate:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \rho_{10} \leftrightarrow \rho_{11} \,, & \rho_{20} \leftrightarrow \rho_{21} \,, & \rho_{13} \leftrightarrow -\rho_{22} \,, \\ \rho_{02} \leftrightarrow \rho_{32} \,, & \rho_{03} \leftrightarrow \rho_{33} \,, & \rho_{23} \leftrightarrow \rho_{12} \,, \\ \rho_{30} \,, \rho_{01} \,, \rho_{31} \, \, invariant. \end{array}$ 

to be achieved by suitable change of probability distribution for fifteen classical bits : deterministic

#### Entanglement

CNOT - gate transforms product state for two qubits into entangled state

$$\psi_{in} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |\uparrow\rangle - |\downarrow\rangle \right) |\downarrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( 0, 1, 0, -1 \right) ,$$

$$\psi_f = U_C \psi_{in} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( 0, 1, -1, 0 \right)$$

 All unitary operations for two qubits can be constructed from Hadamard, rotation and CNOT gates.

## Scaling for many qubits

■ Independent classical spins for each entry of density matrix:  $2^{2Q} - 1$  classical bits needed

Only 3Q classical bits needed !

Probabilistic computing with static memory materials ?

Let general equilibrium classical statistics transport information from one layer to the next

Simulation, with D. Sexty

#### Static memory materials

Generalized Ising model:

$$w[s] = Z^{-1} \exp\left(-S[s]\right) b(s_{in}, s_f)$$

$$S = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{x,t} s(t,x) \Big[ s(t+1,x+1) + \sigma s(t+1,x-1) \Big]$$

Boundary term :

$$b(s_{in}, s_f) = \bar{f}_f(s_f) f_{in}(s_{in})$$

#### **Classical interference**

Depending on boundary conditions :





Positive interference Negative interference

# Probabilistic formalism for cellular automata

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limit beta to infinity, sigma to zero: only one possibility for change, unique jump

probabilistic aspects only in boundary term :

$$b(s_{in}, s_f) = \bar{f}_f(s_f) f_{in}(s_{in})$$

Static memory material for two dimensional Ising spins on Euclidean square lattice can describe propagation of Weyl fermion in two- dimensional Minkowski space

# Quantum formalism for classical statistics

- Formalism for information transport from one hypersurface to the next:
- Classical wave functions and density matrix
- Transfer matrix formalism : Heisenberg picture
- Wave functions : Schroedinger picture
- Non commuting operators for observables
- Quantum rules from classical statistical rules

### Arbitrary quantum operations

- Arbitrary quantum gates for an arbitrary number of qubits can be realized by suitable changes of probability distributions
- Infinite number of classical bits or continuous Ising spins needed
- Similar to description of rotations by classical bits

#### **Quantum Field Theories**

Continuous classical observables or fields always involve an infinite number of bits
Bits: yes/no decisions
Possible measurement values 1 or 0 or 1 or -1

Discrete spectrum of observables

#### Artificial neural networks

# Can neural networks learn to perform quantum operations ?

#### Emulating quantum computation with artificial neural networks

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We demonstrate, that artificial neural networks (ANN) can be trained to emulate single or multiple basic quantum operations. In order to realize a quantum state, we implement a novel "quantumness gate" that maps an arbitrary matrix to the real representation of a positive hermitean normalized density matrix. We train the CNOT gate, the Hadamard gate and a rotation in Hilbert space as basic building blocks for processing the quantum density matrices of two entangled qubits. During the training process the neural networks learn to represent the complex structure, the hermiticity, the normalization and the positivity of the output matrix. The requirement of successful training

## Learning unitary operations

step 1: quantumness gate learns to map input information on two – qubit density matrix

step 2 : learns basic quantum gates for unitary operations individually



### Learning unitary operations

#### learns :

#### normalization

#### hermiticity

of output matrix



#### Chain of unitary transformations

After the learning phase the network can perform arbitrary chains of unitary transformations

$$U_{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_{1} \end{pmatrix}, \ U_{HR} = U_{H1}U_{R2},$$

$$U_{H1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, U_{R2} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{T} & 0 \\ 0 & U_{T} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tau_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, U_{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho(t+n\epsilon) = \tilde{U}(t+n\epsilon,t)\rho(t)\tilde{U}^{\dagger}(t+n\epsilon,t)$$
$$\tilde{U}(t+n\epsilon,t) = \bar{U}(t+(n-1)\epsilon)\dots\bar{U}(t+\epsilon)\bar{U}(t) = \bar{U}(t)^{n}$$

#### Conclusion

Quantum operations can be performed by classical statistical systems
 Very low temperature or well isolated systems of microscopic qubits not needed !

# Quantum mechanics

# from classical statistics

Can quantum physics be described by classical probabilities ?

" No go " theorems

Bell, Clauser, Horne, Shimony, Holt

implicit assumption : use of classical correlation function for correlation between measurements

not part of quantum subsystem



Kochen, Specker

assumption : unique map from quantum operators to classical observables

# quantum mechanics can be described by classical statistics !

#### **Reduction of wave function**

 Reduction of wave function is a convenient technical method to describe conditional probabilities

This must not be a physical process during the measurement

#### conditional probability

sequences of events( measurements ) are described by conditional probabilities

both in classical statistics and in quantum statistics





not very suitable for statement, if here and now a pointer falls down

#### Schrödinger's cat





conditional probability : if nucleus decays then cat dead with  $w_c = 1$ (reduction of wave function) structural elements of quantum mechanics

## unitary time evolution





# Simple conversion factor for units



## presence of complex structure

# [A,B] = C

non – commuting operators are necessary to represent observables in incomplete statistics

#### correlation and operator product

- Classical statistical systems admit many product structures of observables
- Many different definitions of correlation functions possible, not only classical correlation !
- Type of measurement determines correct selection of correlation function !
- Ideal quantum measurement should be compatible with information in quantum subsystem

#### conclusion

- quantum statistics emerges from classical statistics quantum state, superposition, interference, entanglement, probability amplitude
- unitary time evolution of quantum mechanics can be described by suitable time evolution of classical probabilities
- memory materials are quantum simulators
   conditional correlations for measurements both in quantum and classical statistics

