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TITLE Quantum simulation via product of random unitaries: Low gate complexity with accuracy guarantees
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PLACE Rm104, Chin-Pao Yang Lecture Hall,
CCMS & New Physics Building, NTU

Abstract:

Quantum simulation has wide applications in quantum chemistry and physics. Recently, randomized methods have been proposed to accelerate Hamiltonian simulation. The advantage from randomization can be demonstrated by a simple algorithm called qDRIFT: iteratively evolve a random term in the Hamiltonian, and provably the average quantum channel approximates the ideal evolution. Today, I will present a comprehensive analysis of a single realization of the random product formula produced by qDRIFT. Our main results [arxiv:2008.11751] prove that a typical realization of the randomized product formula approximates the ideal unitary evolution up to a small diamond-norm error. Remarkably, the same random evolution starting from an arbitrary, but fixed, input state yields a much shorter circuit suitable for that input state. Numerical experiments verify the theoretical accuracy guarantees.

The proofs depend on analyzing product of random unitaries through concentration inequalities for vector and matrix martingales. With similar probabilistic methods I will also show bounds on propagation of stochastic noises in quantum computers, which is modeled by brownian circuits.

About the Speaker:



I am Chi-Fang Chen (陳麒方), a physics Phd Student at California Institute of Technology advised by Fernando G.S.L Brandao. My research focuses on the interplay between math and physics in quantum information theory and quantum dynamics, where vague phenomena in physics become provable in simple concrete models. My other works include Lieb-Robinson bounds, product of random matrices, tensor network theory, and quantum information aspects of AdS/CFT. The math I use includes non-commutative analysis, matrix concentration inequalities, von Neumann Algebra, quantum channel theory. Before Caltech, I studied at NTU physics in the last year of high school. I was a physics (but defacto math) major at Stanford University and worked in Patrick Hayden's group.

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