What is the CS Decomposition, and how does one use it to do quantum compiling?(by rrtucci)

Suppose that U is an $N \times N$ unitary matrix, where N is an even number. The CSD (Cosine Sine Decomposition) Theorem states¹ that one can always express U in the form

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} L_0 & 0\\ 0 & L_1 \end{bmatrix} D \begin{bmatrix} R_0 & 0\\ 0 & R_1 \end{bmatrix} , \qquad (1a)$$

where the left and right matrices L_0, L_1, R_0, R_1 are $\frac{N}{2} \times \frac{N}{2}$ unitary matrices, and

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} D_{00} & D_{01} \\ D_{10} & D_{11} \end{bmatrix} ,$$
 (1b)

$$D_{00} = D_{11} = diag(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_{\frac{N}{2}})$$
, (1c)

$$D_{01} = diag(S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{\frac{N}{2}}), \quad D_{10} = -D_{01}.$$
 (1d)

For all $i \in Z_{1,\frac{N}{2}}$, $C_i = \cos \theta_i$ and $S_i = \sin \theta_i$ for some angle θ_i . Eqs.(1) can be expressed more succinctly as

$$U = (L_0 \oplus L_1)e^{i\sigma_Y \otimes \Theta}(R_0 \oplus R_1) , \qquad (2)$$

where $\Theta = diag(\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{\frac{N}{2}}).$



Figure 1: Diagrammatic representation of CS decomposition, Eq.(1).

Fig.1 is a diagrammatic representation of the CSD. Note that: (1)Matrix U is assigned to the incoming arrow. (2)Matrix D is assigned to the node. (3)Matrices $R_0 \oplus R_1$ and $L_0 \oplus L_1$ are each assigned to an outgoing arrow.

The CS decomposition was first used for quantum compiling in Tuc99[2]. In the Tuc99 compiling algorithm, the CSD is used recursively. A nice way of picturing

¹Actually, this is only a special case of the CSD Theorem as stated in Ref.[1]—the case which is most relevant to quantum computing. The general version of the CSD Theorem does not restrict the dimension of U to be even, or even restrict the blocks into which U is partitioned to be of equal size.



Figure 2: A CSD binary tree. It arises from the recursive application of the CSD.

this recursive use of the CSD is to represent each CSD application by a node, as in Fig1. The recursion connects these nodes so as to form a binary tree, as shown in Fig.2. In Fig.2, we start with an initial unitary matrix U_{in} entering the root node, which we define as level 0. Without loss of generality, we can assume that the dimension of U_{in} is 2^{N_B} for some $N_B \ge 1$. (If initially U_{in} 's dimension is not a power of 2, we replace it by a direct sum $U_{in} \oplus I_r$ whose dimension is a power of two.) We apply the CSD method to U_{in} . This yields for level 0 a D matrix $D_0^{(1)}$, two unitary matrices $L_0^{(1)}$ and $L_1^{(1)}$ on the left side and two unitary matrices $R_0^{(1)}$ and $R_1^{(1)}$ on the right side. Then we apply the CSD method to each of the 4 matrices $L_0^{(1)}, L_1^{(1)}, R_0^{(1)}$ and $R_1^{(1)}$ that were produced in the previous step. Then we apply the CSD method to each of the 16 R and L matrices that were produced in the previous step. And so on. The nodes of level N_B don't have R, L arrows coming out of them since the Dmatrices for those nodes are all 1×1 .

Call a central matrix either (1) a single D matrix, or (2) a direct sum $D_1 \oplus D_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus D_r$ of D matrices, or (3) a diagonal unitary matrix. From Fig.2, it is clear that the initial matrix U_{in} can be expressed as a product of central matrices, with each node of the tree providing one of the central matrices in the product. We can use this factorization of U_{in} into central matrices to compile U_{in} , if we can find a method for decomposing any central matrix into a SEO. Tuc99 gives such a method.

The Tuc99 algorithm is implemented in a computer program called Qubiter, available at Ref.[3].

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