Quantum State Transfer on Non-Complete Extended P-Sum of the Path on Three Vertices

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### Introduction

• Continuous-time quantum walk (CTQW) in Quantum Algorithmic Problems was first used by Farhi and Gutmann.

E. Farhi, S. Gutmann, *Quantum computation and decision trees*, Phys. Rev. A **58**:915-928 (1998).

- CTQW plays an important role in studying several Quantum transportation phenomena.
- Quantum State Transfer is one such phenomena where the characteristic vector of a initial vertex is transited to the characteristic vector of an another vertex.



We discuss two types of state transfer:

• Perfect state transfer (PST)  $\longrightarrow$  introduced by Bose

S. Bose, *Quantum communication through an unmodulated spin chain*, Physical Review Letters, **91**(20):207901 (2003).

Pretty good state transfer (PGST) → introduced by Chris Godsil
C. Godsil, State transfer on graphs, Discrete Math., 312(1): 129–147 (2012).

State transfer has significant applications (see [1, 7]) in

- Quantum Information Processing
- Cryptography



### Definition

The transition matrix [9] of a graph G with adjacency matrix A is

$$H(t):=\exp\left(-itA\right)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-it)^n}{n!}A^n,\ t\in\mathbb{R}.$$

Let u and v be two vertices in G.

• PST occurs at 
$$\tau$$
 if  $\left| \mathbf{e_u}^T H(\tau) \mathbf{e_v} \right| = 1.$ 

• PGST occurs w.r.t. a sequence  $t_k$  if

$$\lim_{k\to\infty} H(t_k)\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{u}} = \gamma \mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{v}}, \ |\gamma| = 1.$$

**R**emark: Continuous-time quantum walk can also be defined with respect to the Laplacian matrix as well.

# An Example

• The adjacency matrix of P<sub>2</sub> is

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that

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$$A^n = \begin{cases} I & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ A & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Transition matrix is

$$H(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-it)^n}{n!} A^n = \cos(t)I - i\sin(t)A$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos(t) & -i\sin(t) \\ -i\sin(t) & \cos(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

• Hence  $P_2$  admits PST at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

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# Lemma 1 ([9]) If a graph G admits perfect state transfer from u to v, then

 $Aut(G)_u = Aut(G)_v.$ 

#### Proof.

Let P be a permutation matrix associated to an automorphism of G. If PST occurs between u and v then

$$H(\tau)\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{u}} = \gamma \mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{v}}, \ \gamma \in \mathbb{C}, |\gamma| = 1.$$

Note that the transition matrix H(t) is a polynomial in A. Since P commutes with A, P commutes with H(t) as well. This gives

$$H(\tau)(P\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{u}}) = P(H(\tau)\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{u}}) = \gamma P\mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{v}}.$$

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### Graphs without PST



# More Examples

### Example 1 (Graphs with/without PST)

- The path  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$ , respectively. See [4, 5].
- Cartesian powers of  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$ , respectively. See [4, 5].
- Cubelike graphs (or NEPS of  $P_2$ ) at  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\frac{\pi}{4}$ . See [2, 3].
- No PST: Paths with more than three vertices. See [4, 9].

#### Example 2 (Graphs with/without PGST)

- $P_n$  where *n* is either  $2^k$ ; *p*;  $2p \ (p \rightarrow \text{odd prime})$ . See [10].
- Double Star. See [8].
- No PGST: Complete graphs with more than two vertices. See [9]
- No PGST: Vertex transitive graphs of odd order.See [9]

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• If all the factor graphs are G then we simply write  $NEPS_n(G, \Omega)$ .





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• We investigated quantum state transfer on NEPS of  $P_3$  in [11, 12] and found few partial characterizations on these graphs.



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Further we find that

Corollary 2 ([11])

• For any  $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$  and an odd positive integer k < n

• There exists  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{Z}_2^n \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$ 

so that  $NEPS_n(P_3, \Omega)$  is connected and exhibits PST at  $\frac{\pi}{(\sqrt{2})^k}$ .



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Then PST occurs in  $NEPS_n(P_3, \Omega) \times G$  at time  $\frac{\tau_k}{r}$ .

The graph  $NEPS_n(P_3, J-I) \times K_m$ , *m* even, allows PST at  $\frac{\pi}{(\sqrt{2})^{n-1}}$ .

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