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ProjectQ is an open-source software framework for quantum computing. It aims at providing tools which facilitate **inventing, implementing, testing, debugging,** and **running** quantum algorithms using either classical hardware or actual quantum devices.

The **four core principles** of this open-source effort are

1. **Open & Free:** *ProjectQ is released under the Apache 2 license*
2. **Simple learning curve:** *It is implemented in Python and has an intuitive syntax*
3. **Easily extensible:** *Anyone can contribute to the compiler, the embedded domain-specific language, and libraries*
4. **Code quality:** *Code reviews, continuous integration testing (unit and functional tests)*

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Contents

- *Tutorial:* Tutorial containing instructions on how to get started with ProjectQ.
- *Examples:* Example implementations of few quantum algorithms
- *Code Documentation:* The code documentation of ProjectQ.

1.1 Getting started

To start using ProjectQ, simply run

```
python -m pip install --user projectq
```

or, alternatively, [clone/download](#) this repo (e.g., to your /home directory) and run

```
cd /home/projectq
python -m pip install --user .
```

ProjectQ comes with a high-performance quantum simulator written in C++. Please see the detailed OS specific installation instructions below to make sure that you are installing the fastest version.

Note: The setup will try to build a C++-Simulator, which is much faster than the Python implementation. If the C++ compilation were to fail, the setup will install a pure Python implementation of the simulator instead. The Python simulator should work fine for small examples (e.g., running Shor's algorithm for factoring 15 or 21).

If you want to skip the installation of the C++-Simulator altogether, you can define the `DISABLE_PROJECTQ_CEXT` environment variable to avoid any compilation steps.

Note: If building the C++-Simulator does not work out of the box, consider specifying a different compiler. For example:

```
env CC=g++-5 python -m pip install --user projectq
```

Please note that the compiler you specify must support at least **C++11**!

Note: Please use pip version v6.1.0 or higher as this ensures that dependencies are installed in the [correct order](#).

Note: ProjectQ should be installed on each computer individually as the C++ simulator compilation creates binaries which are optimized for the specific hardware on which it is being installed (potentially using our AVX version and `-march=native`). Therefore, sharing the same ProjectQ installation across different hardware may cause some problems.

1.2 Detailed instructions and OS-specific hints

Ubuntu:

After having installed the build tools (for g++):

```
sudo apt-get install build-essential
```

You only need to install Python (and the package manager). For version 3, run

```
sudo apt-get install python3 python3-pip
```

When you then run

```
sudo python3 -m pip install --user projectq
```

all dependencies (such as numpy and pybind11) should be installed automatically.

ArchLinux/Manjaro:

Make sure that you have a C/C++ compiler installed:

```
sudo pacman -Syu gcc
```

You only need to install Python (and the package manager). For version 3, run

```
sudo pacman -Syu python python-pip
```

When you then run

```
sudo python3 -m pip install --user projectq
```

all dependencies (such as numpy and pybind11) should be installed automatically.

Windows:

It is easiest to install a pre-compiled version of Python, including numpy and many more useful packages. One way to do so is using, e.g., the Python 3.7 installers from python.org or [ANACONDA](https://anaconda.org). Installing ProjectQ right away will succeed for the (slow) Python simulator. For a compiled version of the simulator, install the Visual C++ Build Tools and the Microsoft Windows SDK prior to doing a pip install. The built simulator will not support multi-threading due to the limited OpenMP support of the Visual Studio compiler.

If the Python executable is added to your PATH (option normally suggested at the end of the Python installation procedure), you can then open a cmdline window (WIN + R, type “cmd” and click *OK*) and enter the following in order to install ProjectQ:


```
python -m pip install --user projectq
```

Should you want to run multi-threaded simulations, you can install a compiler which supports newer OpenMP versions, such as MinGW GCC and then manually build the C++ simulator with OpenMP enabled.

macOS:

Similarly to the other platforms, installing ProjectQ without the C++ simulator is really easy:

```
python3 -m pip install --user projectq
```

In order to install the fast C++ simulator, we require that a C++ compiler is installed on your system. There are essentially three options you can choose from:

1. Using the compiler provided by Apple through the XCode command line tools.
2. Using Homebrew
3. Using MacPorts

For both options 2 and 3, you will be required to first install the XCode command line tools

Apple XCode command line tool

Install the XCode command line tools by opening a terminal window and running the following command:

```
xcode-select --install
```

Next, you will need to install Python and pip. See options 2 and 3 for information on how to install a newer python version with either Homebrew or MacPorts. Here, we are using the standard python which is preinstalled with macOS. Pip can be installed by:

```
sudo easy_install pip
```

Now, you can install ProjectQ with the C++ simulator using the standard command:

```
python3 -m pip install --user projectq
```

Note that the compiler provided by Apple is currently not able to compile ProjectQ's multi-threaded code.

Homebrew

First install the XCode command line tools. Then install Homebrew with the following command:

```
/usr/bin/ruby -e "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/
↪install/master/install)"
```

Then proceed to install Python as well as a C/C++ compiler (note: gcc installed via Homebrew may lead to some issues):

```
brew install python llvm
```

You should now be able to install ProjectQ with the C++ simulator using the following command:

```
env P=/usr/local/opt/llvm/bin CC=$P/clang CXX=$P/clang++ python3 -m pip_
↪install --user projectq
```

MacPorts

Visit macports.org and install the latest version that corresponds to your operating system's version. Afterwards, open a new terminal window.

Then, use macports to install Python 3.7 by entering the following command

```
sudo port install python37
```

It might show a warning that if you intend to use python from the terminal. In this case, you should also install

```
sudo port install py37-gnureadline
```

Install pip by

```
sudo port install py37-pip
```

Next, we can install ProjectQ with the high performance simulator written in C++. First, we will need to install a suitable compiler with support for C++11, OpenMP, and intrinsics. The best option is to install clang 9.0 also using macports (note: gcc installed via macports does not work).

```
sudo port install clang-9.0
```

ProjectQ is now installed by:

```
env CC=clang-mp-9.0 env CXX=clang++-mp-9.0 /opt/local/bin/python3.7 -m pip_
↪install --user projectq
```

1.3 The ProjectQ syntax

Our goal is to have an intuitive syntax in order to enable an easy learning curve. Therefore, ProjectQ features a lean syntax which is close to the mathematical notation used in physics.

For example, consider applying an x-rotation by an angle *theta* to a qubit. In ProjectQ, this looks as follows:

```
Rx(theta) | qubit
```

whereas the corresponding notation in physics would be

$$R_x(\theta) |\text{qubit}\rangle$$

Moreover, the l-operator separates the classical arguments (on the left) from the quantum arguments (on the right). Next, you will see a basic quantum program using this syntax. Further examples can be found in the docs (*Examples* in the panel on the left) and in the ProjectQ examples folder on [GitHub](https://github.com).

1.4 Basic quantum program

To check out the ProjectQ syntax in action and to see whether the installation worked, try to run the following basic example

```
from projectq import MainEngine # import the main compiler engine
from projectq.ops import H, Measure # import the operations we want to perform_
↪ (Hadamard and measurement)

eng = MainEngine() # create a default compiler (the back-end is a simulator)
```

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```
qubit = eng.allocate_qubit() # allocate 1 qubit

H | qubit # apply a Hadamard gate
Measure | qubit # measure the qubit

eng.flush() # flush all gates (and execute measurements)
print("Measured {}".format(int(qubit))) # output measurement result
```

Which creates random bits (0 or 1).

All of these example codes **and more** can be found on [GitHub](#).

2.1 Quantum Random Numbers

The most basic example is a quantum random number generator (QRNG). It can be found in the examples-folder of ProjectQ. The code looks as follows

```
from projectq.ops import H, Measure
from projectq import MainEngine

# create a main compiler engine
eng = MainEngine()

# allocate one qubit
q1 = eng.allocate_qubit()

# put it in superposition
H | q1

# measure
Measure | q1

eng.flush()
# print the result:
print("Measured: {}".format(int(q1)))
```

Running this code three times may yield, e.g.,

```
$ python examples/quantum_random_numbers.py
Measured: 0
$ python examples/quantum_random_numbers.py
Measured: 0
```

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```
$ python examples/quantum_random_numbers.py
Measured: 1
```

These values are obtained by simulating this quantum algorithm classically. By changing three lines of code, we can run an actual quantum random number generator using the IBM Quantum Experience back-end:

```
$ python examples/quantum_random_numbers_ibm.py
Measured: 1
$ python examples/quantum_random_numbers_ibm.py
Measured: 0
```

All you need to do is:

- Create an account for [IBM's Quantum Experience](#)
- And perform these minor changes:

```
--- /home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/projectq/checkouts/
↪master/examples/quantum_random_numbers.py
+++ /home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/projectq/checkouts/
↪master/examples/quantum_random_numbers_ibm.py
@@ -1,8 +1,11 @@
+import projectq.setups.ibm
  from projectq.ops import H, Measure
  from projectq import MainEngine
+from projectq.backends import IBMBackend

  # create a main compiler engine
-eng = MainEngine()
+eng = MainEngine(IBMBackend(),
+                 engine_list=projectq.setups.ibm.get_engine_list())

  # allocate one qubit
  q1 = eng.allocate_qubit()
```

2.2 Quantum Teleportation

Alice has a qubit in some interesting state $|\psi\rangle$, which she would like to show to Bob. This does not really make sense, since Bob would not be able to look at the qubit without collapsing the superposition; but let's just assume Alice wants to send her state to Bob for some reason. What she can do is use quantum teleportation to achieve this task. Yet, this only works if Alice and Bob share a Bell-pair (which luckily happens to be the case). A Bell-pair is a pair of qubits in the state

$$|A\rangle \otimes |B\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle)$$

They can create a Bell-pair using a very simple circuit which first applies a Hadamard gate to the first qubit, and then flips the second qubit conditional on the first qubit being in $|1\rangle$. The circuit diagram can be generated by calling the function

```
def create_bell_pair(eng):
    b1 = eng.allocate_qubit()
    b2 = eng.allocate_qubit()
```

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```
H | b1
CNOT | (b1, b2)

return b1, b2
```

with a main compiler engine which has a CircuitDrawer back-end, i.e.,

```
from projectq import MainEngine
from projectq.backends import CircuitDrawer

from teleport import create_bell_pair

# create a main compiler engine
drawing_engine = CircuitDrawer()
eng = MainEngine(drawing_engine)

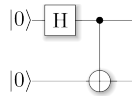
create_bell_pair(eng)

eng.flush()
print(drawing_engine.get_latex())
```

The resulting LaTeX code can be compiled to produce the circuit diagram:

```
$ python examples/bellpair_circuit.py > bellpair_circuit.tex
$ pdflatex bellpair_circuit.tex
```

The output looks as follows:



Now, this Bell-pair can be used to achieve the quantum teleportation: Alice entangles her qubit with her share of the Bell-pair. Then, she measures both qubits; one in the Z-basis (Measure) and one in the Hadamard basis (Hadamard, then Measure). She then sends her measurement results to Bob who, depending on these outcomes, applies a Pauli-X or -Z gate.

The complete example looks as follows:

```
1 from projectq.ops import All, CNOT, H, Measure, Rz, X, Z
2 from projectq import MainEngine
3 from projectq.meta import Dagger, Control
4
5
6 def create_bell_pair(eng):
7     b1 = eng.allocate_qubit()
8     b2 = eng.allocate_qubit()
9
10    H | b1
11    CNOT | (b1, b2)
12
13    return b1, b2
14
15
16 def run_teleport(eng, state_creation_function, verbose=False):
17     # make a Bell-pair
```

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```

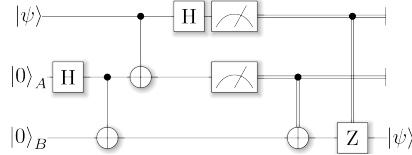
18 b1, b2 = create_bell_pair(eng)
19
20 # Alice creates a nice state to send
21 psi = eng.allocate_qubit()
22 if verbose:
23     print("Alice is creating her state from scratch, i.e., |0>.")
24 state_creation_function(eng, psi)
25
26 # entangle it with Alice's b1
27 CNOT | (psi, b1)
28 if verbose:
29     print("Alice entangled her qubit with her share of the Bell-pair.")
30
31 # measure two values (once in Hadamard basis) and send the bits to Bob
32 H | psi
33 Measure | psi
34 Measure | b1
35 msg_to_bob = [int(psi), int(b1)]
36 if verbose:
37     print("Alice is sending the message {} to Bob.".format(msg_to_bob))
38
39 # Bob may have to apply up to two operation depending on the message sent
40 # by Alice:
41 with Control(eng, b1):
42     X | b2
43 with Control(eng, psi):
44     Z | b2
45
46 # try to uncompute the psi state
47 if verbose:
48     print("Bob is trying to uncompute the state.")
49 with Dagger(eng):
50     state_creation_function(eng, b2)
51
52 # check whether the uncompute was successful. The simulator only allows to
53 # delete qubits which are in a computational basis state.
54 del b2
55 eng.flush()
56
57 if verbose:
58     print("Bob successfully arrived at |0>")
59
60
61 if __name__ == "__main__":
62     # create a main compiler engine with a simulator backend:
63     eng = MainEngine()
64
65     # define our state-creation routine, which transforms a |0> to the state
66     # we would like to send. Bob can then try to uncompute it and, if he
67     # arrives back at |0>, we know that the teleportation worked.
68     def create_state(eng, qb):
69         H | qb
70         Rz(1.21) | qb
71
72     # run the teleport and then, let Bob try to uncompute his qubit:
73     run_teleport(eng, create_state, verbose=True)

```


and the corresponding circuit can be generated using

```
$ python examples/teleport_circuit.py > teleport_circuit.tex
$ pdflatex teleport_circuit.tex
```

which produces (after renaming of the qubits inside the tex-file):



2.3 Shor’s algorithm for factoring

As a third example, consider Shor’s algorithm for factoring, which for a given (large) number N determines the two prime factor p_1 and p_2 such that $p_1 \cdot p_2 = N$ in polynomial time! This is a superpolynomial speed-up over the best known classical algorithm (which is the number field sieve) and enables the breaking of modern encryption schemes such as RSA on a future quantum computer.

A tiny bit of number theory There is a small amount of number theory involved, which reduces the problem of factoring to period-finding of the function

$$f(x) = a^x \bmod N$$

for some a (relative prime to N , otherwise we get a factor right away anyway by calling $\text{gcd}(a, N)$). The period r for a function $f(x)$ is the number for which $f(x) = f(x + r) \forall x$ holds. In this case, this means that $a^x = a^{x+r} \pmod N \forall x$. Therefore, $a^r = 1 + qN$ for some integer q and hence, $a^r - 1 = (a^{r/2} - 1)(a^{r/2} + 1) = qN$. This suggests that using the gcd on N and $a^{r/2} \pm 1$ we may find a factor of N !

Factoring on a quantum computer: An example At the heart of Shor’s algorithm lies modular exponentiation of a classically known constant (denoted by a in the code) by a quantum superposition of numbers x , i.e.,

$$|x\rangle|0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle|a^x \bmod N\rangle$$

Using $N = 15$ and $a = 2$, and applying this operation to the uniform superposition over all x leads to the superposition (modulo renormalization)

$$|0\rangle|1\rangle + |1\rangle|2\rangle + |2\rangle|4\rangle + |3\rangle|8\rangle + |4\rangle|1\rangle + |5\rangle|2\rangle + |6\rangle|4\rangle + \dots$$

In Shor’s algorithm, the second register will not be touched again before the end of the quantum program, which means it might as well be measured now. Let’s assume we measure 2; this collapses the state above to

$$|1\rangle|2\rangle + |5\rangle|2\rangle + |9\rangle|2\rangle + \dots$$

The period of a modulo N can now be read off. On a quantum computer, this information can be accessed by applying an inverse quantum Fourier transform to the x -register, followed by a measurement of x .

Implementation There is an implementation of Shor’s algorithm in the examples folder. It uses the implementation by Beauregard, [arxiv:0205095](https://arxiv.org/abs/0205095) to factor an n -bit number using $2n+3$ qubits. In this implementation, the modular exponentiation is carried out using modular multiplication and shift. Furthermore it uses the semi-classical quantum Fourier transform [see [arxiv:9511007](https://arxiv.org/abs/9511007)]: Pulling the final measurement of the x -register through the final inverse quantum Fourier transform allows to run the $2n$ modular multiplications serially, which keeps one from having to store the $2n$ qubits of x .

Let’s run it using the ProjectQ simulator:

```
$ python3 examples/shor.py

projectq
-----
Implementation of Shor's algorithm.
Number to factor: 15

Factoring N = 15: 00000001

Factors found :-> : 3 * 5 = 15
```

Simulating Shor's algorithm at the level of single-qubit gates and CNOTs already takes quite a bit of time for larger numbers than 15. To turn on our **emulation feature**, which does not decompose the modular arithmetic to low-level gates, but carries it out directly instead, we can change the line

```
86 # Filter function, which defines the gate set for the first optimization
87 # (don't decompose QFTs and iQFTs to make cancellation easier)
88 def high_level_gates(eng, cmd):
89     g = cmd.gate
90     if g == QFT or get_inverse(g) == QFT or g == Swap:
91         return True
92     if isinstance(g, BasicMathGate):
93         return False
94         if isinstance(g, AddConstant):
95             return True
96         elif isinstance(g, AddConstantModN):
97             return True
98         return False
99     return eng.next_engine.is_available(cmd)
```

in `examples/shor.py` to *return True*. This allows to factor, e.g. $N = 4,028,033$ in under 3 minutes on a regular laptop!

The most important part of the code is

```
50 for k in range(2 * n):
51     current_a = pow(a, 1 << (2 * n - 1 - k), N)
52     # one iteration of 1-qubit QPE
53     H | ctrl_qubit
54     with Control(eng, ctrl_qubit):
55         MultiplyByConstantModN(current_a, N) | x
56
57     # perform inverse QFT --> Rotations conditioned on previous outcomes
58     for i in range(k):
59         if measurements[i]:
60             R(-math.pi/(1 << (k - i))) | ctrl_qubit
61     H | ctrl_qubit
62
63     # and measure
64     Measure | ctrl_qubit
65     eng.flush()
66     measurements[k] = int(ctrl_qubit)
67     if measurements[k]:
68         X | ctrl_qubit
69
```

which executes the $2n$ modular multiplications conditioned on a control qubit `ctrl_qubit` in a uniform superposition of 0 and 1. The control qubit is then measured after performing the semi-classical inverse quantum Fourier

transform and the measurement outcome is saved in the list *measurements*, followed by a reset of the control qubit to state 0.

Code Documentation

Welcome to the package documentation of ProjectQ. You may now browse through the entire documentation and discover the capabilities of the ProjectQ framework.

For a detailed documentation of a subpackage or module, click on its name below:

3.1 backends

<code>projectq.backends.CircuitDrawer(...)</code>	CircuitDrawer is a compiler engine which generates TikZ code for drawing quantum circuits.
<code>projectq.backends.CircuitDrawerMatplotlib(...)</code>	CircuitDrawerMatplotlib is a compiler engine which using Matplotlib library for drawing quantum circuits
<code>projectq.backends.ClassicalSimulator()</code>	A simple introspective simulator that only permits classical operations.
<code>projectq.backends.CommandPrinter(...)</code>	CommandPrinter is a compiler engine which prints commands to stdout prior to sending them on to the next compiler engine.
<code>projectq.backends.IBMBackend([use_hardware, ...])</code>	The IBM Backend class, which stores the circuit, transforms it to JSON, and sends the circuit through the IBM API.
<code>projectq.backends.ResourceCounter()</code>	ResourceCounter is a compiler engine which counts the number of gates and max.
<code>projectq.backends.Simulator([gate_fusion, ...])</code>	Simulator is a compiler engine which simulates a quantum computer using C++-based kernels.

3.1.1 Module contents

Contains back-ends for ProjectQ.

This includes:

- a debugging tool to print all received commands (CommandPrinter)

- a circuit drawing engine (which can be used anywhere within the compilation chain)
- a simulator with emulation capabilities
- a resource counter (counts gates and keeps track of the maximal width of the circuit)
- an interface to the IBM Quantum Experience chip (and simulator).

class `projectq.backends.CircuitDrawer` (*accept_input=False, default_measure=0*)
 CircuitDrawer is a compiler engine which generates TikZ code for drawing quantum circuits.

The circuit can be modified by editing the `settings.json` file which is generated upon first execution. This includes adjusting the gate width, height, shadowing, line thickness, and many more options.

After initializing the `CircuitDrawer`, it can also be given the mapping from qubit IDs to wire location (via the `set_qubit_locations()` function):

```
circuit_backend = CircuitDrawer()
circuit_backend.set_qubit_locations({0: 1, 1: 0}) # swap lines 0 and 1
eng = MainEngine(circuit_backend)

... # run quantum algorithm on this main engine

print(circuit_backend.get_latex()) # prints LaTeX code
```

To see the qubit IDs in the generated circuit, simply set the `draw_id` option in the `settings.json` file under “gates”: “AllocateQubitGate” to True:

```
"gates": {
  "AllocateQubitGate": {
    "draw_id": True,
    "height": 0.15,
    "width": 0.2,
    "pre_offset": 0.1,
    "offset": 0.1
  },
  ...
}
```

The `settings.json` file has the following structure:

```
{
  "control": { # settings for control "circle"
    "shadow": false,
    "size": 0.1
  },
  "gate_shadow": true, # enable/disable shadows for all gates
  "gates": {
    "GateClassString": {
      GATE_PROPERTIES
    }
    "GateClassString2": {
      ...
    }
  },
  "lines": { # settings for qubit lines
    "double_classical": true, # draw double-lines for
                              # classical bits
    "double_lines_sep": 0.04, # gap between the two lines
                              # for double lines
    "init_quantum": true, # start out with quantum bits
    "style": "very thin" # line style
  }
}
```

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```
}
}
```

All gates (except for the ones requiring special treatment) support the following properties:

```
"GateClassString": {
  "height": GATE_HEIGHT,
  "width": GATE_WIDTH
  "pre_offset": OFFSET_BEFORE_PLACEMENT,
  "offset": OFFSET_AFTER_PLACEMENT,
},
```

`__init__` (*accept_input=False, default_measure=0*)

Initialize a circuit drawing engine.

The TikZ code generator uses a settings file (settings.json), which can be altered by the user. It contains gate widths, heights, offsets, etc.

Parameters

- **`accept_input`** (*bool*) – If `accept_input` is true, the printer queries the user to input measurement results if the `CircuitDrawer` is the last engine. Otherwise, all measurements yield the result `default_measure` (0 or 1).
- **`default_measure`** (*bool*) – Default value to use as measurement results if `accept_input` is False and there is no underlying backend to register real measurement results.

`get_latex` (*ordered=False, draw_gates_in_parallel=True*)

Return the latex document string representing the circuit.

Simply write this string into a tex-file or, alternatively, pipe the output directly to, e.g., `pdflatex`:

```
python3 my_circuit.py | pdflatex
```

where `my_circuit.py` calls this function and prints it to the terminal.

Parameters

- **`ordered`** (*bool*) – flag if the gates should be drawn in the order they were added to the circuit
- **`draw_gates_in_parallel`** (*bool*) – flag if parallel gates should be drawn parallel (True), or not (False)

`is_available` (*cmd*)

Specialized implementation of `is_available`: Returns True if the `CircuitDrawer` is the last engine (since it can print any command).

Parameters **`cmd`** (*Command*) – Command for which to check availability (all Commands can be printed).

Returns True, unless the next engine cannot handle the Command (if there is a next engine).

Return type availability (bool)

`receive` (*command_list*)

Receive a list of commands from the previous engine, print the commands, and then send them on to the next engine.

Parameters `command_list` (*list*<*Command*>) – List of Commands to print (and potentially send on to the next engine).

set_qubit_locations (*id_to_loc*)
Sets the qubit lines to use for the qubits explicitly.

To figure out the qubit IDs, simply use the setting `draw_id` in the settings file. It is located in “gates”:”AllocateQubitGate”. If `draw_id` is True, the qubit IDs are drawn in red.

Parameters `id_to_loc` (*dict*) – Dictionary mapping qubit ids to qubit line numbers.

Raises `RuntimeError` – If the mapping has already begun (this function needs be called before any gates have been received).

class `projectq.backends.CircuitDrawerMatplotlib` (*accept_input=False*, *default_measure=0*)

`CircuitDrawerMatplotlib` is a compiler engine which using Matplotlib library for drawing quantum circuits

__init__ (*accept_input=False*, *default_measure=0*)

Initialize a circuit drawing engine(mpl) :param `accept_input`: If `accept_input` is true, the printer queries the user to input measurement results if the `CircuitDrawerMPL` is the last engine. Otherwise, all measurements yield the result `default_measure` (0 or 1).

Parameters `default_measure` (*bool*) – Default value to use as measurement results if `accept_input` is False and there is no underlying backend to register real measurement results.

draw (*qubit_labels=None*, *drawing_order=None*)

Generates and returns the plot of the quantum circuit stored so far

Parameters

- **qubit_labels** (*dict*) – label for each wire in the output figure. Keys: qubit IDs, Values: string to print out as label for that particular qubit wire.
- **drawing_order** (*dict*) – position of each qubit in the output graphic. Keys: qubit IDs, Values: position of qubit on the qubit line in the graphic.
- ****kwargs** (*dict*) – additional parameters are used to update the default plot parameters

Returns A tuple containing the matplotlib figure and axes objects

Note: Additional keyword arguments can be passed to this function in order to further customize the figure output by matplotlib (default value in parentheses):

- `fontsize` (14): Font size in pt
- `column_spacing` (.5): Vertical spacing between two neighbouring gates (roughly in inches)
- `control_radius` (.015): Radius of the circle for controls
- `labels_margin` (1): Margin between labels and begin of wire (roughly in inches)
- `linewidth` (1): Width of line
- `not_radius` (.03): Radius of the circle for X/NOT gates
- `gate_offset` (.05): Inner margins for gates with a text representation
- `mgate_width` (.1): Width of the measurement gate
- `swap_delta` (.02): Half-size of the SWAP gate
- `x_offset` (.05): Absolute X-offset for drawing within the axes

- `wire_height` (1): Vertical spacing between two qubit wires (roughly in inches)

is_available (*cmd*)

Specialized implementation of `is_available`: Returns True if the `CircuitDrawerMatplotlib` is the last engine (since it can print any command).

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability (all `Commands` can be printed).

Returns True, unless the next engine cannot handle the `Command` (if there is a next engine).

Return type availability (bool)

receive (*command_list*)

Receive a list of commands from the previous engine, print the commands, and then send them on to the next engine.

Parameters `command_list` (*list*<`Command`>) – List of `Commands` to print (and potentially send on to the next engine).

class `projectq.backends.ClassicalSimulator`

A simple introspective simulator that only permits classical operations.

Allows allocation, deallocation, measuring (no-op), flushing (no-op), controls, NOTs, and any `BasicMathGate`. Supports reading/writing directly from/to bits and registers of bits.

__init__ ()

Initialize the basic engine.

Initializes local variables such as `_next_engine`, `_main_engine`, etc. to `None`.

is_available (*cmd*)

Default implementation of `is_available`: Ask the next engine whether a command is available, i.e., whether it can be executed by the next engine(s).

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability.

Returns True if the command can be executed.

Raises `LastEngineException` – If `is_last_engine` is True but `is_available` is not implemented.

read_bit (*qubit*)

Reads a bit.

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qubit` argument.

Parameters `qubit` (`projectq.types.Qubit`) – The bit to read.

Returns 0 if the target bit is off, 1 if it's on.

Return type int

read_register (*qureg*)

Reads a group of bits as a little-endian integer.

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qureg` argument.

Parameters `qureg` (`projectq.types.Qureg`) – The group of bits to read, in little-endian order.

Returns Little-endian register value.

Return type `int`

`receive` (`command_list`)

`write_bit` (`qubit, value`)

Resets/sets a bit to the given value.

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qureg` argument.

Parameters

- **qubit** (`projectq.types.Qubit`) – The bit to write.
- **value** (`bool | int`) – Writes 1 if this value is truthy, else 0.

`write_register` (`qureg, value`)

Sets a group of bits to store a little-endian integer value.

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qureg` argument.

Parameters

- **qureg** (`projectq.types.Qureg`) – The bits to write, in little-endian order.
- **value** (`int`) – The integer value to store. Must fit in the register.

`class` `projectq.backends.CommandPrinter` (`accept_input=True, default_measure=False, in_place=False`)

`CommandPrinter` is a compiler engine which prints commands to stdout prior to sending them on to the next compiler engine.

`__init__` (`accept_input=True, default_measure=False, in_place=False`)

Initialize a `CommandPrinter`.

Parameters

- **accept_input** (`bool`) – If `accept_input` is true, the printer queries the user to input measurement results if the `CommandPrinter` is the last engine. Otherwise, all measurements yield `default_measure`.
- **default_measure** (`bool`) – Default measurement result (if `accept_input` is False).
- **in_place** (`bool`) – If `in_place` is true, all output is written on the same line of the terminal.

is_available (*cmd*)

Specialized implementation of is_available: Returns True if the CommandPrinter is the last engine (since it can print any command).

Parameters **cmd** (*Command*) – Command of which to check availability (all Commands can be printed).

Returns

True, unless the next engine cannot handle the Command (if there is a next engine).

Return type availability (bool)

receive (*command_list*)

Receive a list of commands from the previous engine, print the commands, and then send them on to the next engine.

Parameters **command_list** (*list<Command>*) – List of Commands to print (and potentially send on to the next engine).

```
class projectq.backends.IBMBackend(use_hardware=False, num_runs=1024, verbose=False,
                                   token="", device='ibmq_essex', num_retries=3000, inter-
                                   val=1, retrieve_execution=None)
```

The IBM Backend class, which stores the circuit, transforms it to JSON, and sends the circuit through the IBM API.

```
__init__(use_hardware=False, num_runs=1024, verbose=False, token="", device='ibmq_essex',
          num_retries=3000, interval=1, retrieve_execution=None)
```

Initialize the Backend object.

Parameters

- **use_hardware** (*bool*) – If True, the code is run on the IBM quantum chip (instead of using the IBM simulator)
- **num_runs** (*int*) – Number of runs to collect statistics. (default is 1024)
- **verbose** (*bool*) – If True, statistics are printed, in addition to the measurement result being registered (at the end of the circuit).
- **token** (*str*) – IBM quantum experience user password.
- **device** (*str*) – name of the IBM device to use. `ibmq_essex` By default
- **num_retries** (*int*) – Number of times to retry to obtain results from the IBM API. (default is 3000)
- **interval** (*float, int*) – Number of seconds between successive attempts to obtain results from the IBM API. (default is 1)
- **retrieve_execution** (*int*) – Job ID to retrieve instead of re- running the circuit (e.g., if previous run timed out).

get_probabilities (*qureg*)

Return the list of basis states with corresponding probabilities. If input qureg is a subset of the register used for the experiment, then returns the projected probabilities over the other states.

The measured bits are ordered according to the supplied quantum register, i.e., the left-most bit in the state-string corresponds to the first qubit in the supplied quantum register.

Warning: Only call this function after the circuit has been executed!

Parameters `qureg` (*list<Qubit>*) – Quantum register determining the order of the qubits.

Returns

Dictionary mapping n-bit strings to probabilities.

Return type `probability_dict` (dict)

Raises `RuntimeError` – If no data is available (i.e., if the circuit has not been executed). Or if a qubit was supplied which was not present in the circuit (might have gotten optimized away).

get_qasm ()

Return the QASM representation of the circuit sent to the backend. Should be called AFTER calling the ibm device

is_available (*cmd*)

Return true if the command can be executed.

The IBM quantum chip can only do U1,U2,U3,barriers, and CX / CNOT. Conversion implemented for Rotation gates and H gates.

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability

receive (*command_list*)

Receives a command list and, for each command, stores it until completion.

Parameters `command_list` – List of commands to execute

class `projectq.backends.ResourceCounter`

`ResourceCounter` is a compiler engine which counts the number of gates and max. number of active qubits.

gate_counts

Dictionary of gate counts. The keys are tuples of the form (cmd.gate, ctrl_cnt), where ctrl_cnt is the number of control qubits.

Type dict

gate_class_counts

Dictionary of gate class counts. The keys are tuples of the form (cmd.gate.__class__, ctrl_cnt), where ctrl_cnt is the number of control qubits.

Type dict

max_width

Maximal width (=max. number of active qubits at any given point).

Type int

Properties:

depth_of_dag (int): It is the longest path in the directed acyclic graph (DAG) of the program.

__init__ ()

Initialize a resource counter engine.

Sets all statistics to zero.

depth_of_dag

is_available (*cmd*)

Specialized implementation of `is_available`: Returns True if the `ResourceCounter` is the last engine (since it can count any command).

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability (all Commands can be counted).

Returns

True, unless the next engine cannot handle the Command (if there is a next engine).

Return type availability (bool)

receive (`command_list`)

Receive a list of commands from the previous engine, increases the counters of the received commands, and then send them on to the next engine.

Parameters `command_list` (`list<Command>`) – List of commands to receive (and count).

class `projectq.backends.Simulator` (`gate_fusion=False, rnd_seed=None`)

Simulator is a compiler engine which simulates a quantum computer using C++-based kernels.

OpenMP is enabled and the number of threads can be controlled using the `OMP_NUM_THREADS` environment variable, i.e.

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4 # use 4 threads
export OMP_PROC_BIND=spread # bind threads to processors by spreading
```

__init__ (`gate_fusion=False, rnd_seed=None`)

Construct the C++/Python-simulator object and initialize it with a random seed.

Parameters

- **gate_fusion** (`bool`) – If True, gates are cached and only executed once a certain gate-size has been reached (only has an effect for the c++ simulator).
- **rnd_seed** (`int`) – Random seed (uses `random.randint(0, 4294967295)` by default).

Example of `gate_fusion`: Instead of applying a Hadamard gate to 5 qubits, the simulator calculates the kronecker product of the 1-qubit gate matrices and then applies one 5-qubit gate. This increases operational intensity and keeps the simulator from having to iterate through the state vector multiple times. Depending on the system (and, especially, number of threads), this may or may not be beneficial.

Note: If the C++ Simulator extension was not built or cannot be found, the Simulator defaults to a Python implementation of the kernels. While this is much slower, it is still good enough to run basic quantum algorithms.

If you need to run large simulations, check out the tutorial in the docs which gives further hints on how to build the C++ extension.

apply_qubit_operator (`qubit_operator, qureg`)

Apply a (possibly non-unitary) `qubit_operator` to the current wave function represented by the supplied quantum register.

Parameters

- **qubit_operator** (`projectq.ops.QubitOperator`) – Operator to apply.
- **qureg** (`list [Qubit], Qureg`) – Quantum bits to which to apply the operator.

Raises `Exception` – If `qubit_operator` acts on more qubits than present in the `qureg` argument.

Warning: This function allows applying non-unitary gates and it will not re-normalize the wave function! It is for numerical experiments only and should not be used for other purposes.

Note: Make sure all previous commands (especially allocations) have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qreg` argument.

cheat ()

Access the ordering of the qubits and the state vector directly.

This is a cheat function which enables, e.g., more efficient evaluation of expectation values and debugging.

Returns A tuple where the first entry is a dictionary mapping qubit indices to bit-locations and the second entry is the corresponding state vector.

Note: Make sure all previous commands have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function DOES NOT automatically convert from logical qubits to mapped qubits.

collapse_wavefunction (`qreg, values`)

Collapse a quantum register onto a classical basis state.

Parameters

- **qreg** (`Qreg`/`list` [`Qubit`]) – Qubits to collapse.
- **values** (`list` [`bool`/`int`] / `string` [`0`/`1`]) – Measurement outcome for each of the qubits in `qreg`.

Raises `RuntimeError` – If an outcome has probability (approximately) 0 or if unknown qubits are provided (see note).

Note: Make sure all previous commands have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qreg` argument.

get_amplitude (`bit_string, qreg`)

Return the probability amplitude of the supplied `bit_string`. The ordering is given by the quantum register `qreg`, which must contain all allocated qubits.

Parameters

- **bit_string** (`list` [`bool`/`int`] / `string` [`0`/`1`]) – Computational basis state
- **qreg** (`Qreg`/`list` [`Qubit`]) – Quantum register determining the ordering. Must contain all allocated qubits.

Returns Probability amplitude of the provided bit string.

Note: Make sure all previous commands (especially allocations) have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qreg` argument.

get_expectation_value (*qubit_operator*, *qreg*)

Get the expectation value of `qubit_operator` w.r.t. the current wave function represented by the supplied quantum register.

Parameters

- **qubit_operator** (`projectq.ops.QubitOperator`) – Operator to measure.
- **qreg** (`list [Qubit]`, `Qureg`) – Quantum bits to measure.

Returns Expectation value

Note: Make sure all previous commands (especially allocations) have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qreg` argument.

Raises `Exception` – If `qubit_operator` acts on more qubits than present in the `qreg` argument.

get_probability (*bit_string*, *qreg*)

Return the probability of the outcome `bit_string` when measuring the quantum register `qreg`.

Parameters

- **bit_string** (`list [bool|int]` | `string [0|1]`) – Measurement outcome.
- **qreg** (`Qureg` | `list [Qubit]`) – Quantum register.

Returns Probability of measuring the provided bit string.

Note: Make sure all previous commands (especially allocations) have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qreg` argument.

is_available (*cmd*)

Specialized implementation of `is_available`: The simulator can deal with all arbitrarily-controlled gates which provide a gate-matrix (via `gate.matrix`) and acts on 5 or less qubits (not counting the control qubits).

Parameters **cmd** (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability (single- qubit gate, arbitrary controls)

Returns True if it can be simulated and False otherwise.

receive (*command_list*)

Receive a list of commands from the previous engine and handle them (simulate them classically) prior to sending them on to the next engine.

Parameters **command_list** (*list<Command>*) – List of commands to execute on the simulator.

set_wavefunction (*wavefunction, qureg*)

Set the wavefunction and the qubit ordering of the simulator.

The simulator will adopt the ordering of qureg (instead of reordering the wavefunction).

Parameters

- **wavefunction** (*list[complex]*) – Array of complex amplitudes describing the wavefunction (must be normalized).
- **qureg** (*Qureg/list[Qubit]*) – Quantum register determining the ordering. Must contain all allocated qubits.

Note: Make sure all previous commands (especially allocations) have passed through the compilation chain (call `main_engine.flush()` to make sure).

Note: If there is a mapper present in the compiler, this function automatically converts from logical qubits to mapped qubits for the `qureg` argument.

3.2 engines

The ProjectQ compiler engines package.

<code>projectq.engines.AutoReplacer(...[, ...])</code>	The AutoReplacer is a compiler engine which uses <code>engine.is_available</code> in order to determine which commands need to be replaced/decomposed/compiled further.
<code>projectq.engines.BasicEngine()</code>	Basic compiler engine: All compiler engines are derived from this class.
<code>projectq.engines.BasicMapperEngine()</code>	Parent class for all Mappers.
<code>projectq.engines.CommandModifier(cmd_mod_fun)</code>	CommandModifier is a compiler engine which applies a function to all incoming commands, sending on the resulting command instead of the original one.
<code>projectq.engines.CompareEngine()</code>	CompareEngine is an engine which saves all commands.
<code>projectq.engines.DecompositionRule(...[, ...])</code>	A rule for breaking down specific gates into sequences of simpler gates.
<code>projectq.engines.DecompositionRuleSet([...])</code>	A collection of indexed decomposition rules.
<code>projectq.engines.DummyEngine([save_commands])</code>	DummyEngine used for testing.

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<code>projectq.engines.ForwarderEngine(engine[, ...])</code>	A ForwarderEngine is a trivial engine which forwards all commands to the next engine.
<code>projectq.engines.GridMapper(num_rows, ...)</code>	Mapper to a 2-D grid graph.
<code>projectq.engines.IBM5QubitMapper([connections])</code>	Mapper for the 5-qubit IBM backend.
<code>projectq.engines.InstructionFilter(filterfun)</code>	The InstructionFilter is a compiler engine which changes the behavior of <code>is_available</code> according to a filter function.
<code>projectq.engines.LastEngineException(engine)</code>	Exception thrown when the last engine tries to access the next one.
<code>projectq.engines.LinearMapper(num_qubits[, ...])</code>	Maps a quantum circuit to a linear chain of nearest neighbour interactions.
<code>projectq.engines.LocalOptimizer([m])</code>	LocalOptimizer is a compiler engine which optimizes locally (merging rotations, cancelling gates with their inverse) in a local window of user- defined size.
<code>projectq.engines.MainEngine([backend, ...])</code>	The MainEngine class provides all functionality of the main compiler engine.
<code>projectq.engines.ManualMapper([map_fun])</code>	Manual Mapper which adds QubitPlacementTags to Allocate gate commands according to a user-specified mapping.
<code>projectq.engines.NotYetMeasuredError</code>	
<code>projectq.engines.return_swap_depth(swaps)</code>	Returns the circuit depth to execute these swaps.
<code>projectq.engines.SwapAndCNOTFlipper(...)</code>	Flips CNOTs and translates Swaps to CNOTs where necessary.
<code>projectq.engines.TagRemover([tags])</code>	TagRemover is a compiler engine which removes temporary command tags (see the tag classes such as LoopTag in <code>projectq.meta.loop</code>).
<code>projectq.engines.UnsupportedEngineError</code>	

3.2.1 Module contents

class `projectq.engines.AutoReplacer` (*decompositionRuleSet*, *decomposition_chooser=<function <lambda>>*)

The AutoReplacer is a compiler engine which uses `engine.is_available` in order to determine which commands need to be replaced/decomposed/compiled further. The loaded setup is used to find decomposition rules appropriate for each command (e.g., `setups.default`).

__init__ (*decompositionRuleSet*, *decomposition_chooser=<function <lambda>>*)

Initialize an AutoReplacer.

Parameters `decomposition_chooser` (*function*) – A function which, given the Command to decompose and a list of potential Decomposition objects, determines (and then returns) the ‘best’ decomposition.

The default decomposition chooser simply returns the first list element, i.e., calling

```
repl = AutoReplacer()
```

Amounts to

```
def decomposition_chooser(cmd, decomp_list):
    return decomp_list[0]
repl = AutoReplacer(decomposition_chooser)
```

receive (*command_list*)

Receive a list of commands from the previous compiler engine and, if necessary, replace/decompose the gates according to the decomposition rules in the loaded setup.

Parameters **command_list** (*list*<*Command*>) – List of commands to handle.

class projectq.engines.**BasicEngine**

Basic compiler engine: All compiler engines are derived from this class. It provides basic functionality such as qubit allocation/deallocation and functions that provide information about the engine's position (e.g., next engine).

This information is provided by the MainEngine, which initializes all further engines.

next_engine

Next compiler engine (or the back-end).

Type *BasicEngine*

main_engine

Reference to the main compiler engine.

Type *MainEngine*

is_last_engine

True for the last engine, which is the back-end.

Type bool

__init__ ()

Initialize the basic engine.

Initializes local variables such as `_next_engine`, `_main_engine`, etc. to None.

allocate_qubit (*dirty=False*)

Return a new qubit as a list containing 1 qubit object (quantum register of size 1).

Allocates a new qubit by getting a (new) qubit id from the MainEngine, creating the qubit object, and then sending an AllocateQubit command down the pipeline. If `dirty=True`, the fresh qubit can be replaced by a pre-allocated one (in an unknown, dirty, initial state). Dirty qubits must be returned to their initial states before they are deallocated / freed.

All allocated qubits are added to the MainEngine's set of active qubits as weak references. This allows proper clean-up at the end of the Python program (using `atexit`), deallocating all qubits which are still alive. Qubit ids of dirty qubits are registered in MainEngine's `dirty_qubits` set.

Parameters **dirty** (*bool*) – If True, indicates that the allocated qubit may be dirty (i.e., in an arbitrary initial state).

Returns Qureg of length 1, where the first entry is the allocated qubit.

allocate_qureg (*n*)

Allocate `n` qubits and return them as a quantum register, which is a list of qubit objects.

Parameters **n** (*int*) – Number of qubits to allocate

Returns Qureg of length `n`, a list of `n` newly allocated qubits.

deallocate_qubit (*qubit*)

Deallocate a qubit (and sends the deallocation command down the pipeline). If the qubit was allocated as a dirty qubit, add `DirtyQubitTag()` to Deallocation command.

Parameters `qubit` (`BasicQubit`) – Qubit to deallocate.

Raises `ValueError` – Qubit already deallocated. Caller likely has a bug.

is_available (`cmd`)

Default implementation of `is_available`: Ask the next engine whether a command is available, i.e., whether it can be executed by the next engine(s).

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability.

Returns True if the command can be executed.

Raises `LastEngineException` – If `is_last_engine` is True but `is_available` is not implemented.

is_meta_tag_supported (`meta_tag`)

Check if there is a compiler engine handling the meta tag

Parameters

- **engine** – First engine to check (then iteratively calls `getNextEngine`)
- **meta_tag** – Meta tag class for which to check support

Returns True if one of the further compiler engines is a meta tag handler, i.e., `engine.is_meta_tag_handler(meta_tag)` returns True.

Return type supported (bool)

send (`command_list`)

Forward the list of commands to the next engine in the pipeline.

class `projectq.engines.BasicMapperEngine`

Parent class for all Mappers.

self.current_mapping

Keys are the logical qubit ids and values are the mapped qubit ids.

Type dict

__init__ ()

Initialize the basic engine.

Initializes local variables such as `_next_engine`, `_main_engine`, etc. to None.

current_mapping

receive (`command_list`)

class `projectq.engines.CommandModifier` (`cmd_mod_fun`)

`CommandModifier` is a compiler engine which applies a function to all incoming commands, sending on the resulting command instead of the original one.

__init__ (`cmd_mod_fun`)

Initialize the `CommandModifier`.

Parameters `cmd_mod_fun` (`function`) – Function which, given a command `cmd`, returns the command it should send instead.

Example

```
def cmd_mod_fun (cmd) :
    cmd.tags += [MyOwnTag()]
compiler_engine = CommandModifier(cmd_mod_fun)
...
```

receive (*command_list*)

Receive a list of commands from the previous engine, modify all commands, and send them on to the next engine.

Parameters **command_list** (*list*<*Command*>) – List of commands to receive and then (after modification) send on.

class projectq.engines.**CompareEngine**

CompareEngine is an engine which saves all commands. It is only intended for testing purposes. Two CompareEngine backends can be compared and return True if they contain the same commands.

__init__ ()

Initialize the basic engine.

Initializes local variables such as `_next_engine`, `_main_engine`, etc. to None.

cache_cmd (*cmd*)

compare_cmds (*c1*, *c2*)

is_available (*cmd*)

Default implementation of `is_available`: Ask the next engine whether a command is available, i.e., whether it can be executed by the next engine(s).

Parameters **cmd** (*Command*) – Command for which to check availability.

Returns True if the command can be executed.

Raises *LastEngineException* – If `is_last_engine` is True but `is_available` is not implemented.

receive (*command_list*)

class projectq.engines.**DecompositionRule** (*gate_class*, *gate_decomposer*,
gate_recognizer=<function <lambda>>)

A rule for breaking down specific gates into sequences of simpler gates.

__init__ (*gate_class*, *gate_decomposer*, *gate_recognizer*=<function <lambda>>)

Parameters

- **gate_class** (*type*) – The type of gate that this rule decomposes.

The gate class is redundant information used to make lookups faster when iterating over a circuit and deciding “which rules apply to this gate?” again and again.

Note that this parameter is a gate type, not a gate instance. You supply `gate_class=MyGate` or `gate_class=MyGate().__class__`, not `gate_class=MyGate()`.

- **gate_decomposer** (*function* [*projectq.ops.Command*]) – Function which, given the command to decompose, applies a sequence of gates corresponding to the high-level function of a gate of type `gate_class`.
- (**function** [*projectq.ops.Command*] (*gate_recognizer*) – boolean): A predicate that determines if the decomposition applies to the given command (on top of the filtering by `gate_class`).

For example, a decomposition rule may only apply rotation gates that rotate by a specific angle.

If no `gate_recognizer` is given, the decomposition applies to all gates matching the `gate_class`.

class `projectq.engines.DecompositionRuleSet` (*rules=None, modules=None*)

A collection of indexed decomposition rules.

`__init__` (*rules=None, modules=None*)

Parameters

- **list** [`DecompositionRule`] (*rules*) – Initial decomposition rules.
- **modules** (*iterable* [`ModuleWithDecompositionRuleSet`]) – A list of things with an “`all_defined_decomposition_rules`” property containing decomposition rules to add to the rule set.

`add_decomposition_rule` (*rule*)

Add a decomposition rule to the rule set.

Parameters *rule* (`DecompositionRuleGate`) – The decomposition rule to add.

`add_decomposition_rules` (*rules*)

class `projectq.engines.DummyEngine` (*save_commands=False*)

DummyEngine used for testing.

The DummyEngine forwards all commands directly to next engine. If `self.is_last_engine == True` it just discards all gates. By setting `save_commands == True` all commands get saved as a list in `self.received_commands`. Elements are appended to this list so they are ordered according to when they are received.

`__init__` (*save_commands=False*)

Initialize DummyEngine

Parameters *save_commands* (*default = False*) – If True, commands are saved in `self.received_commands`.

`is_available` (*cmd*)

Default implementation of `is_available`: Ask the next engine whether a command is available, i.e., whether it can be executed by the next engine(s).

Parameters *cmd* (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability.

Returns True if the command can be executed.

Raises `LastEngineException` – If `is_last_engine` is True but `is_available` is not implemented.

`receive` (*command_list*)

class `projectq.engines.ForwarderEngine` (*engine, cmd_mod_fun=None*)

A ForwarderEngine is a trivial engine which forwards all commands to the next engine.

It is mainly used as a substitute for the MainEngine at lower levels such that meta operations still work (e.g., with Compute).

`__init__` (*engine, cmd_mod_fun=None*)

Initialize a ForwarderEngine.

Parameters

- **engine** (`BasicEngine`) – Engine to forward all commands to.
- **cmd_mod_fun** (*function*) – Function which is called before sending a command. Each command `cmd` is replaced by the command it returns when getting called with `cmd`.

receive (*command_list*)

Forward all commands to the next engine.

```
class projectq.engines.GridMapper (num_rows, num_columns,
                                     mapped_ids_to_backend_ids=None, storage=1000,
                                     optimization_function=<function <lambda>,
                                     num_optimization_steps=50)
```

Mapper to a 2-D grid graph.

Mapped qubits on the grid are numbered in row-major order. E.g. for 3 rows and 2 columns:

0 - 1 || 2 - 3 || 4 - 5

The numbers are the mapped qubit ids. The backend might number the qubits on the grid differently (e.g. not row-major), we call these backend qubit ids. If the backend qubit ids are not row-major, one can pass a dictionary translating from our row-major mapped ids to these backend ids.

Note: The algorithm sorts twice inside each column and once inside each row.

current_mapping

Stores the mapping: key is logical qubit id, value is backend qubit id.

storage

Number of gate it caches before mapping.

Type int

num_rows

Number of rows in the grid

Type int

num_columns

Number of columns in the grid

Type int

num_qubits

num_rows x num_columns = number of qubits

Type int

num_mappings

Number of times the mapper changed the mapping

Type int

depth_of_swaps

Key are circuit depth of swaps, value is the number of such mappings which have been applied

Type dict

num_of_swaps_per_mapping

Key are the number of swaps per mapping, value is the number of such mappings which have been applied

Type dict

__init__ (*num_rows*, *num_columns*, *mapped_ids_to_backend_ids=None*, *storage=1000*, *optimization_function=<function <lambda>*, *num_optimization_steps=50*)

Initialize a GridMapper compiler engine.

Parameters

- **num_rows** (*int*) – Number of rows in the grid
- **num_columns** (*int*) – Number of columns in the grid.

- **mapped_ids_to_backend_ids** (*dict*) – Stores a mapping from mapped ids which are $0, \dots, \text{self.num_qubits}-1$ in row-major order on the grid to the corresponding qubit ids of the backend. Key: mapped id. Value: corresponding backend id. Default is None which means backend ids are identical to mapped ids.
- **storage** – Number of gates to temporarily store
- **optimization_function** – Function which takes a list of swaps and returns a cost value. Mapper chooses a permutation which minimizes this cost. Default optimizes for circuit depth.
- **num_optimization_steps** (*int*) – Number of different permutations to of the matching to try and minimize the cost.

Raises `RuntimeError` – if incorrect *mapped_ids_to_backend_ids* parameter

current_mapping

is_available (*cmd*)

Only allows 1 or two qubit gates.

receive (*command_list*)

Receives a command list and, for each command, stores it until we do a mapping (FlushGate or Cache of stored commands is full).

Parameters **command_list** (*list of Command objects*) – list of commands to receive.

return_swaps (*old_mapping, new_mapping, permutation=None*)

Returns the swap operation to change mapping

Parameters

- **old_mapping** – dict: keys are logical ids and values are mapped qubit ids
- **new_mapping** – dict: keys are logical ids and values are mapped qubit ids
- **permutation** – list of int from $0, 1, \dots, \text{self.num_rows}-1$. It is used to permute the found perfect matchings. Default is None which keeps the original order.

Returns List of tuples. Each tuple is a swap operation which needs to be applied. Tuple contains the two mapped qubit ids for the Swap.

class `projectq.engines.IBM5QubitMapper` (*connections=None*)

Mapper for the 5-qubit IBM backend.

Maps a given circuit to the IBM Quantum Experience chip.

Note: The mapper has to be run once on the entire circuit.

Warning: If the provided circuit cannot be mapped to the hardware layout without performing Swaps, the mapping procedure **raises an Exception**.

__init__ (*connections=None*)

Initialize an IBM 5-qubit mapper compiler engine.

Resets the mapping.

is_available (*cmd*)

Check if the IBM backend can perform the Command *cmd* and return True if so.

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – The command to check

receive (`command_list`)

Receives a command list and, for each command, stores it until completion.

Parameters `command_list` (*list of Command objects*) – list of commands to receive.

Raises `Exception` – If mapping the CNOT gates to 1 qubit would require Swaps. The current version only supports remapping of CNOT gates without performing any Swaps due to the large costs associated with Swapping given the CNOT constraints.

class `projectq.engines.InstructionFilter` (*filterfun*)

The InstructionFilter is a compiler engine which changes the behavior of `is_available` according to a filter function. All commands are passed to this function, which then returns whether this command can be executed (True) or needs replacement (False).

__init__ (*filterfun*)

Initializer: The provided filterfun returns True for all commands which do not need replacement and False for commands that do.

Parameters `filterfun` (*function*) – Filter function which returns True for available commands, and False otherwise. filterfun will be called as `filterfun(self, cmd)`.

is_available (*cmd*)

Specialized implementation of `BasicBackend.is_available`: Forwards this call to the filter function given to the constructor.

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command for which to check availability.

receive (`command_list`)

Forward all commands to the next engine.

Parameters `command_list` (*list<Command>*) – List of commands to receive.

exception `projectq.engines.LastEngineException` (*engine*)

Exception thrown when the last engine tries to access the next one. (Next engine does not exist)

The default implementation of `isAvailable` simply asks the next engine whether the command is available. An engine which legally may be the last engine, this behavior needs to be adapted (see `BasicEngine.isAvailable`).

__init__ (*engine*)

`x.__init__(...)` initializes x; see `help(type(x))` for signature

class `projectq.engines.LinearMapper` (*num_qubits, cyclic=False, storage=1000*)

Maps a quantum circuit to a linear chain of nearest neighbour interactions.

Maps a quantum circuit to a linear chain of qubits with nearest neighbour interactions using Swap gates. It supports open or cyclic boundary conditions.

current_mapping

Stores the mapping: key is logical qubit id, value is mapped qubit id from 0, ..., self.num_qubits

cyclic

If chain is cyclic or not

Type Bool

storage

Number of gate it caches before mapping.

Type int

num_mappings

Number of times the mapper changed the mapping

Type int

depth_of_swaps

Key are circuit depth of swaps, value is the number of such mappings which have been applied

Type dict

num_of_swaps_per_mapping

Key are the number of swaps per mapping, value is the number of such mappings which have been applied

Type dict

Note:

- 1) Gates are cached and only mapped from time to time. A FastForwarding gate doesn't empty the cache, only a FlushGate does.
- 2) Only 1 and two qubit gates allowed.
- 3) Does not optimize for dirty qubits.

__init__ (*num_qubits, cyclic=False, storage=1000*)

Initialize a LinearMapper compiler engine.

Parameters

- **num_qubits** (*int*) – Number of physical qubits in the linear chain
- **cyclic** (*bool*) – If 1D chain is a cycle. Default is False.
- **storage** (*int*) – Number of gates to temporarily store, default is 1000

is_available (*cmd*)

Only allows 1 or two qubit gates.

receive (*command_list*)

Receives a command list and, for each command, stores it until we do a mapping (FlushGate or Cache of stored commands is full).

Parameters **command_list** (*list of Command objects*) – list of commands to receive.

static return_new_mapping (*num_qubits, cyclic, currently_allocated_ids, stored_commands, current_mapping*)

Builds a mapping of qubits to a linear chain.

It goes through stored_commands and tries to find a mapping to apply these gates on a first come first served basis. More complicated scheme could try to optimize to apply as many gates as possible between the Swaps.

Parameters

- **num_qubits** (*int*) – Total number of qubits in the linear chain
- **cyclic** (*bool*) – If linear chain is a cycle.
- **currently_allocated_ids** (*set of int*) – Logical qubit ids for which the Allocate gate has already been processed and sent to the next engine but which are not yet deallocated and hence need to be included in the new mapping.

- **stored_commands** (*list of Command objects*) – Future commands which should be applied next.
- **current_mapping** – A current mapping as a dict. key is logical qubit id, value is placement id. If there are different possible maps, this current mapping is used to minimize the swaps to go to the new mapping by a heuristic.

Returns: A new mapping as a dict. key is logical qubit id, value is placement id

class `projectq.engines.LocalOptimizer` (*m=5*)

LocalOptimizer is a compiler engine which optimizes locally (merging rotations, cancelling gates with their inverse) in a local window of user- defined size.

It stores all commands in a dict of lists, where each qubit has its own gate pipeline. After adding a gate, it tries to merge / cancel successive gates using the `get_merged` and `get_inverse` functions of the gate (if available). For examples, see `BasicRotationGate`. Once a list corresponding to a qubit contains $\geq m$ gates, the pipeline is sent on to the next engine.

__init__ (*m=5*)

Initialize a LocalOptimizer object.

Parameters *m* (*int*) – Number of gates to cache per qubit, before sending on the first gate.

receive (*command_list*)

Receive commands from the previous engine and cache them. If a flush gate arrives, the entire buffer is sent on.

class `projectq.engines.MainEngine` (*backend=None, engine_list=None, verbose=False*)

The MainEngine class provides all functionality of the main compiler engine.

It initializes all further compiler engines (calls, e.g., `.next_engine=...`) and keeps track of measurement results and active qubits (and their IDs).

next_engine

Next compiler engine (or the back-end).

Type *BasicEngine*

main_engine

Self.

Type *MainEngine*

active_qubits

WeakSet containing all active qubits

Type WeakSet

dirty_qubits

Containing all dirty qubit ids

Type Set

backend

Access the back-end.

Type *BasicEngine*

mapper

Access to the mapper if there is one.

Type *BasicMapperEngine*

`__init__` (*backend=None, engine_list=None, verbose=False*)

Initialize the main compiler engine and all compiler engines.

Sets 'next_engine'- and 'main_engine'-attributes of all compiler engines and adds the back-end as the last engine.

Parameters

- **backend** (*BasicEngine*) – Backend to send the compiled circuit to.
- **engine_list** (*list<BasicEngine>*) – List of engines / backends to use as compiler engines. Note: The engine list must not contain multiple mappers (instances of *BasicMapperEngine*). Default: `projectq.setups.default.get_engine_list()`
- **verbose** (*bool*) – Either print full or compact error messages. Default: `False` (i.e. compact error messages).

Example

```
from projectq import MainEngine
eng = MainEngine() # uses default engine_list and the Simulator
```

Instead of the default *engine_list* one can use, e.g., one of the IBM setups which defines a custom *engine_list* useful for one of the IBM chips

Example

```
import projectq.setups.ibm as ibm_setup
from projectq import MainEngine
eng = MainEngine(engine_list=ibm_setup.get_engine_list())
# eng uses the default Simulator backend
```

Alternatively, one can specify all compiler engines explicitly, e.g.,

Example

```
from projectq.engines import (TagRemover, AutoReplacer,
                             LocalOptimizer,
                             DecompositionRuleSet)
from projectq.backends import Simulator
from projectq import MainEngine
rule_set = DecompositionRuleSet()
engines = [AutoReplacer(rule_set), TagRemover(),
           LocalOptimizer(3)]
eng = MainEngine(Simulator(), engines)
```

flush (*deallocate_qubits=False*)

Flush the entire circuit down the pipeline, clearing potential buffers (of, e.g., optimizers).

Parameters **deallocate_qubits** (*bool*) – If `True`, deallocates all qubits that are still alive (invalidating references to them by setting their id to -1).

get_measurement_result (*qubit*)

Return the classical value of a measured qubit, given that an engine registered this result previously (see `setMeasurementResult`).

Parameters `qubit` (`BasicQubit`) – Qubit of which to get the measurement result.

Example

```
from projectq.ops import H, Measure
from projectq import MainEngine
eng = MainEngine()
qubit = eng.allocate_qubit() # quantum register of size 1
H | qubit
Measure | qubit
eng.get_measurement_result(qubit[0]) == int(qubit)
```

`get_new_qubit_id()`

Returns a unique qubit id to be used for the next qubit allocation.

Returns New unique qubit id.

Return type `new_qubit_id` (int)

`receive` (`command_list`)

Forward the list of commands to the first engine.

Parameters `command_list` (`list<Command>`) – List of commands to receive (and then send on)

`send` (`command_list`)

Forward the list of commands to the next engine in the pipeline.

It also shortens exception stack traces if `self.verbose` is `False`.

`set_measurement_result` (`qubit`, `value`)

Register a measurement result

The engine being responsible for measurement results needs to register these results with the master engine such that they are available when the user calls an `int()` or `bool()` conversion operator on a measured qubit.

Parameters

- `qubit` (`BasicQubit`) – Qubit for which to register the measurement result.
- `value` (`bool`) – Boolean value of the measurement outcome (True / False = 1 / 0 respectively).

`class` `projectq.engines.ManualMapper` (`map_fun=<function <lambda>>`)

Manual Mapper which adds `QubitPlacementTags` to `Allocate` gate commands according to a user-specified mapping.

`map`

The function which maps a given qubit id to its location. It gets set when initializing the mapper.

Type function

`__init__` (`map_fun=<function <lambda>>`)

Initialize the mapper to a given mapping. If no mapping function is provided, the qubit id is used as the location.

Parameters `map_fun` (`function`) – Function which, given the qubit id, returns an integer describing the physical location (must be constant).

`receive` (`command_list`)

Receives a command list and passes it to the next engine, adding qubit placement tags to allocate gates.

Parameters `command_list` (*list of Command objects*) – list of commands to receive.

exception `projectq.cengines.NotYetMeasuredError`

class `projectq.cengines.SwapAndCNOTFlipper` (*connectivity*)
Flips CNOTs and translates Swaps to CNOTs where necessary.

Warning: This engine assumes that CNOT and Hadamard gates are supported by the following engines.

Warning: This engine cannot be used as a backend.

`__init__` (*connectivity*)
Initialize the engine.

Parameters `connectivity` (*set*) – Set of tuples (c, t) where if (c, t) is an element of the set means that a CNOT can be performed between the physical ids (c, t) with c being the control and t being the target qubit.

is_available (*cmd*)
Check if the IBM backend can perform the Command cmd and return True if so.

Parameters `cmd` (*Command*) – The command to check

receive (*command_list*)
Receives a command list and if the command is a CNOT gate, it flips it using Hadamard gates if necessary; if it is a Swap gate, it decomposes it using 3 CNOTs. All other gates are simply sent to the next engine.

Parameters `command_list` (*list of Command objects*) – list of commands to receive.

class `projectq.cengines.TagRemover` (*tags=[<class 'projectq.meta._compute.ComputeTag'>, <class 'projectq.meta._compute.UncomputeTag'>]*)

TagRemover is a compiler engine which removes temporary command tags (see the tag classes such as LoopTag in `projectq.meta._loop`).

Removing tags is important (after having handled them if necessary) in order to enable optimizations across meta-function boundaries (compute/ action/uncompute or loops after unrolling)

`__init__` (*tags=[<class 'projectq.meta._compute.ComputeTag'>, <class 'projectq.meta._compute.UncomputeTag'>]*)
Construct the TagRemover.

Parameters `tags` – A list of meta tag classes (e.g., [`ComputeTag`, `UncomputeTag`]) denoting the tags to remove

receive (*command_list*)
Receive a list of commands from the previous engine, remove all tags which are an instance of at least one of the meta tags provided in the constructor, and then send them on to the next compiler engine.

Parameters `command_list` (*list<Command>*) – List of commands to receive and then (after removing tags) send on.

exception `projectq.cengines.UnsupportedEngineError`

`projectq.cengines.return_swap_depth` (*swaps*)
Returns the circuit depth to execute these swaps.

Parameters `swaps` (*list of tuples*) – Each tuple contains two integers representing the two IDs of the qubits involved in the Swap operation

Returns Circuit depth to execute these swaps.

3.3 libs

The library collection of ProjectQ which, for now, consists of a tiny math library and an interface library to RevKit. Soon, more libraries will be added.

3.3.1 Subpackages

libs.math

A tiny math library which will be extended throughout the next weeks. Right now, it only contains the math functions necessary to run Beauregard’s implementation of Shor’s algorithm.

<code>projectq.libs.math.AddConstant(a)</code>	Add a constant to a quantum number represented by a quantum register, stored from low- to high-bit.
<code>projectq.libs.math.AddConstantModN(a, N)</code>	Add a constant to a quantum number represented by a quantum register modulo N.
<code>projectq.libs.math.all_defined_decomposition_rules</code>	<code>list()</code> -> new empty list <code>list(iterable)</code> -> new list initialized from iterable’s items
<code>projectq.libs.math.MultiplyByConstantModN(a, N)</code>	Multiply a quantum number represented by a quantum register by a constant modulo N.
<code>projectq.libs.math.SubConstant(a)</code>	Subtract a constant from a quantum number represented by a quantum register, stored from low- to high-bit.
<code>projectq.libs.math.SubConstantModN(a, N)</code>	Subtract a constant from a quantum number represented by a quantum register modulo N.

Module contents

class `projectq.libs.math.AddConstant(a)`
 Add a constant to a quantum number represented by a quantum register, stored from low- to high-bit.

Example

```
qunum = eng.allocate_qureg(5) # 5-qubit number
X | qunum[1] # qunum is now equal to 2
AddConstant(3) | qunum # qunum is now equal to 5
```

__init__(*a*)
 Initializes the gate to the number to add.

Parameters `a` (*int*) – Number to add to a quantum register.

It also initializes its base class, `BasicMathGate`, with the corresponding function, so it can be emulated efficiently.

get_inverse()
 Return the inverse gate (subtraction of the same constant).

class projectq.libs.math.**AddConstantModN**(*a*, *N*)

Add a constant to a quantum number represented by a quantum register modulo *N*.

The number is stored from low- to high-bit, i.e., `qnum[0]` is the LSB.

Example

```
qnum = eng.allocate_qureg(5) # 5-qubit number
X | qnum[1] # qnum is now equal to 2
AddConstantModN(3, 4) | qnum # qnum is now equal to 1
```

Note: Pre-conditions:

- $c < N$
- $c \geq 0$
- The value stored in the quantum register must be lower than *N*

__init__(*a*, *N*)

Initializes the gate to the number to add modulo *N*.

Parameters

- **a** (*int*) – Number to add to a quantum register ($0 \leq a < N$).
- **N** (*int*) – Number modulo which the addition is carried out.

It also initializes its base class, `BasicMathGate`, with the corresponding function, so it can be emulated efficiently.

get_inverse()

Return the inverse gate (subtraction of the same number *a* modulo the same number *N*).

class projectq.libs.math.**MultiplyByConstantModN**(*a*, *N*)

Multiply a quantum number represented by a quantum register by a constant modulo *N*.

The number is stored from low- to high-bit, i.e., `qnum[0]` is the LSB.

Example

```
qnum = eng.allocate_qureg(5) # 5-qubit number
X | qnum[2] # qnum is now equal to 4
MultiplyByConstantModN(3,5) | qnum # qnum is now 2.
```

Note: Pre-conditions:

- $c < N$
- $c \geq 0$
- $\text{gcd}(c, N) == 1$
- The value stored in the quantum register must be lower than *N*

__init__(*a*, *N*)

Initializes the gate to the number to multiply with modulo *N*.

Parameters

- **a** (*int*) – Number by which to multiply a quantum register ($0 \leq a < N$).
- **N** (*int*) – Number modulo which the multiplication is carried out.

It also initializes its base class, `BasicMathGate`, with the corresponding function, so it can be emulated efficiently.

`projectq.libs.math.SubConstant` (*a*)

Subtract a constant from a quantum number represented by a quantum register, stored from low- to high-bit.

Parameters **a** (*int*) – Constant to subtract

Example

```
qnum = eng.allocate_qureg(5) # 5-qubit number
X | qnum[2] # qnum is now equal to 4
SubConstant(3) | qnum # qnum is now equal to 1
```

`projectq.libs.math.SubConstantModN` (*a*, *N*)

Subtract a constant from a quantum number represented by a quantum register modulo *N*.

The number is stored from low- to high-bit, i.e., `qnum[0]` is the LSB.

Parameters

- **a** (*int*) – Constant to add
- **N** (*int*) – Constant modulo which the addition of *a* should be carried out.

Example

```
qnum = eng.allocate_qureg(3) # 3-qubit number
X | qnum[1] # qnum is now equal to 2
SubConstantModN(4,5) | qnum # qnum is now -2 = 6 = 1 (mod 5)
```

Note: Pre-conditions:

- $c < N$
 - $c \geq 0$
 - The value stored in the quantum register must be lower than *N*
-

libs.revkit

This library integrates `RevKit` into ProjectQ to allow some automatic synthesis routines for reversible logic. The library adds the following operations that can be used to construct quantum circuits:

- `ControlFunctionOracle`: Synthesizes a reversible circuit from Boolean control function
- `PermutationOracle`: Synthesizes a reversible circuit for a permutation
- `PhaseOracle`: Synthesizes phase circuit from an arbitrary Boolean function

RevKit can be installed from PyPi with `pip install revkit`.

Note: The RevKit Python module must be installed in order to use this ProjectQ library.

There exist precompiled binaries in PyPi, as well as a source distribution. Note that a C++ compiler with C++17 support is required to build the RevKit python module from source. Examples for compatible compilers are Clang 6.0, GCC 7.3, and GCC 8.1.

The integration of RevKit into ProjectQ and other quantum programming languages is described in the paper

- Mathias Soeken, Thomas Haener, and Martin Roetteler “Programming Quantum Computers Using Design Automation,” in: Design Automation and Test in Europe (2018) [arXiv:1803.01022]

<code>projectq.libs.revkit. ControlFunctionOracle(...)</code>	Synthesizes a negation controlled by an arbitrary control function.
<code>projectq.libs.revkit. PermutationOracle(...)</code>	Synthesizes a permutation using RevKit.
<code>projectq.libs.revkit. PhaseOracle(function, ...)</code>	Synthesizes phase circuit from an arbitrary Boolean function.

Module contents

class `projectq.libs.revkit.ControlFunctionOracle` (*function*, ***kwargs*)

Synthesizes a negation controlled by an arbitrary control function.

This creates a circuit for a NOT gate which is controlled by an arbitrary Boolean control function. The control function is provided as integer representation of the function’s truth table in binary notation. For example, for the majority-of-three function, which truth table 11101000, the value for function can be, e.g., `0b11101000`, `0xe8`, or `232`.

Example

This example creates a circuit that causes to invert qubit `d`, the majority-of-three function evaluates to true for the control qubits `a`, `b`, and `c`.

```
ControlFunctionOracle(0x8e) | ([a, b, c], d)
```

__init__ (*function*, ***kwargs*)

Initializes a control function oracle.

Parameters `function` (*int*) – Function truth table.

Keyword Arguments `synth` – A RevKit synthesis command which creates a reversible circuit based on a truth table and requires no additional ancillae (e.g., `revkit.esopbs`). Can also be a nullary lambda that calls several RevKit commands. **Default:** `revkit.esopbs`

__or__ (*qubits*)

Applies control function to qubits (and synthesizes circuit).

Parameters `qubits` (*tuple<Qureg>*) – Qubits to which the control function is being applied. The first *n* qubits are for the controls, the last qubit is for the target qubit.

class `projectq.libs.revkit.PermutationOracle` (*permutation*, ***kwargs*)

Synthesizes a permutation using RevKit.

Given a permutation over 2^{**q} elements (starting from 0), this class helps to automatically find a reversible circuit over q qubits that realizes that permutation.

Example

```
PermutationOracle([0, 2, 1, 3]) | (a, b)
```

`__init__` (*permutation*, ***kwargs*)
Initializes a permutation oracle.

Parameters `permutation` (*list<int>*) – Permutation (starting from 0).

Keyword Arguments `synth` – A RevKit synthesis command which creates a reversible circuit based on a reversible truth table (e.g., `revkit.tbs` or `revkit.dbs`). Can also be a nullary lambda that calls several RevKit commands. **Default:** `revkit.tbs`

`__or__` (*qubits*)
Applies permutation to qubits (and synthesizes circuit).

Parameters `qubits` (*tuple<Qureg>*) – Qubits to which the permutation is being applied.

class `projectq.libs.revkit.PhaseOracle` (*function*, ***kwargs*)
Synthesizes phase circuit from an arbitrary Boolean function.

This creates a phase circuit from a Boolean function. It inverts the phase of all amplitudes for which the function evaluates to 1. The Boolean function is provided as integer representation of the function’s truth table in binary notation. For example, for the majority-of-three function, which truth table 11101000, the value for function can be, e.g., `0b11101000`, `0xe8`, or `232`.

Note that a phase circuit can only accurately be found for a normal function, i.e., a function that maps the input pattern `0, 0, ..., 0` to `0`. The circuits for a function and its inverse are the same.

Example

This example creates a phase circuit based on the majority-of-three function on qubits `a`, `b`, and `c`.

```
PhaseOracle(0x8e) | (a, b, c)
```

`__init__` (*function*, ***kwargs*)
Initializes a phase oracle.

Parameters `function` (*int*) – Function truth table.

Keyword Arguments `synth` – A RevKit synthesis command which creates a reversible circuit based on a truth table and requires no additional ancillae (e.g., `revkit.esopps`). Can also be a nullary lambda that calls several RevKit commands. **Default:** `revkit.esopps`

`__or__` (*qubits*)
Applies phase circuit to qubits (and synthesizes circuit).

Parameters `qubits` (*tuple<Qureg>*) – Qubits to which the phase circuit is being applied.

3.3.2 Module contents

3.4 meta

Contains meta statements which allow more optimal code while making it easier for users to write their code. Examples are *with Compute*, followed by an automatic uncompute or *with Control*, which allows the user to condition an entire code block upon the state of a qubit.

<code>projectq.meta.Compute(engine)</code>	Start a compute-section.
<code>projectq.meta.ComputeTag</code>	Compute meta tag.
<code>projectq.meta.Control(engine, qubits)</code>	Condition an entire code block on the value of qubits being 1.
<code>projectq.meta.CustomUncompute(engine)</code>	Start a custom uncompute-section.
<code>projectq.meta.Dagger(engine)</code>	Invert an entire code block.
<code>projectq.meta.DirtyQubitTag</code>	Dirty qubit meta tag
<code>projectq.meta.drop_engine_after(prev_engine)</code>	Removes an engine from the singly-linked list of engines.
<code>projectq.meta.get_control_count(cmd)</code>	Return the number of control qubits of the command object cmd
<code>projectq.meta.insert_engine(prev_engine, ...)</code>	Inserts an engine into the singly-linked list of engines.
<code>projectq.meta.LogicalQubitIDTag(logical_qubit)</code>	LogicalQubitIDTag for a mapped qubit to annotate a MeasureGate.
<code>projectq.meta.Loop(engine, num)</code>	Loop n times over an entire code block.
<code>projectq.meta.LoopTag(num)</code>	Loop meta tag
<code>projectq.meta.Uncompute(engine)</code>	Uncompute automatically.
<code>projectq.meta.UncomputeTag</code>	Uncompute meta tag.

3.4.1 Module contents

The `projectq.meta` package features meta instructions which help both the user and the compiler in writing/producing efficient code. It includes, e.g.,

- Loop (with `Loop(eng): ...`)
- Compute/Uncompute (with `Compute(eng): ..., [...], Uncompute(eng)`)
- Control (with `Control(eng, ctrl_qubits): ...`)
- Dagger (with `Dagger(eng): ...`)

class `projectq.meta.Compute` (*engine*)
Start a compute-section.

Example

```
with Compute(eng) :
    do_something(qubits)
action(qubits)
Uncompute(eng) # runs inverse of the compute section
```

Warning: If qubits are allocated within the compute section, they must either be uncomputed and deallocated within that section or, alternatively, uncomputed and deallocated in the following uncompute section.

This means that the following examples are valid:

```
with Compute(eng):
    anc = eng.allocate_qubit()
    do_something_with_ancilla(anc)
    ...
    uncompute_ancilla(anc)
del anc

do_something_else(qubits)

Uncompute(eng) # will allocate a new ancilla (with a different id)
                # and then deallocate it again
```

```
with Compute(eng):
    anc = eng.allocate_qubit()
    do_something_with_ancilla(anc)
    ...

do_something_else(qubits)

Uncompute(eng) # will deallocate the ancilla!
```

After the uncompute section, ancilla qubits allocated within the compute section will be invalid (and deallocated). The same holds when using CustomUncompute.

Failure to comply with these rules results in an exception being thrown.

`__init__(engine)`

Initialize a Compute context.

Parameters `engine` (`BasicEngine`) – Engine which is the first to receive all commands (normally: `MainEngine`).

`class projectq.meta.ComputeTag`

Compute meta tag.

`class projectq.meta.Control(engine, qubits)`

Condition an entire code block on the value of qubits being 1.

Example

```
with Control(eng, ctrlqubits):
    do_something(otherqubits)
```

`__init__(engine, qubits)`

Enter a controlled section.

Parameters

- `engine` – Engine which handles the commands (usually `MainEngine`)
- `qubits` (*list of Qubit objects*) – Qubits to condition on

Enter the section using a with-statement:

```
with Control(eng, ctrlqubits):
    ...
```

class `projectq.meta.CustomUncompute` (*engine*)
Start a custom uncompute-section.

Example

```
with Compute(eng):
    do_something(qubits)
action(qubits)
with CustomUncompute(eng):
    do_something_inverse(qubits)
```

Raises `QubitManagementError` – If qubits are allocated within `Compute` or within `CustomUncompute` context but are not deallocated.

`__init__` (*engine*)
Initialize a `CustomUncompute` context.

Parameters `engine` (`BasicEngine`) – Engine which is the first to receive all commands (normally: `MainEngine`).

class `projectq.meta.Dagger` (*engine*)
Invert an entire code block.

Use it with a `with`-statement, i.e.,

```
with Dagger(eng):
    [code to invert]
```

Warning: If the code to invert contains allocation of qubits, those qubits have to be deleted prior to exiting the ‘with `Dagger()`’ context.

This code is **NOT VALID**:

```
with Dagger(eng):
    qb = eng.allocate_qubit()
    H | qb # qb is still available!!!
```

The **correct way** of handling qubit (de-)allocation is as follows:

```
with Dagger(eng):
    qb = eng.allocate_qubit()
    ...
    del qb # sends deallocate gate (which becomes an allocate)
```

`__init__` (*engine*)
Enter an inverted section.

Parameters `engine` – Engine which handles the commands (usually `MainEngine`)

Example (executes an inverse QFT):

```
with Dagger(eng):
    QFT | qubits
```

class projectq.meta.**DirtyQubitTag**
 Dirty qubit meta tag

class projectq.meta.**LogicalQubitIDTag** (*logical_qubit_id*)
 LogicalQubitIDTag for a mapped qubit to annotate a MeasureGate.

logical_qubit_id
 Logical qubit id

Type int

__init__ (*logical_qubit_id*)
 x.__init__(...) initializes x; see help(type(x)) for signature

class projectq.meta.**Loop** (*engine, num*)
 Loop n times over an entire code block.

Example

```
with Loop(eng, 4):
    # [quantum gates to be executed 4 times]
```

Warning: If the code in the loop contains allocation of qubits, those qubits have to be deleted prior to exiting the ‘with Loop()’ context.

This code is **NOT VALID**:

```
with Loop(eng, 4):
    qb = eng.allocate_qubit()
    H | qb # qb is still available!!!
```

The **correct way** of handling qubit (de-)allocation is as follows:

```
with Loop(eng, 4):
    qb = eng.allocate_qubit()
    ...
    del qb # sends deallocate gate
```

__init__ (*engine, num*)
 Enter a looped section.

Parameters

- **engine** – Engine handling the commands (usually MainEngine)
- **num** (*int*) – Number of loop iterations

Example

```
with Loop(eng, 4):
    H | qb
    Rz(M_PI/3.) | qb
```

Raises

- `TypeError` – If number of iterations (*num*) is not an integer

- `ValueError` – If number of iterations (`num`) is not ≥ 0

```
class projectq.meta.LoopTag(num)
    Loop meta tag

    __init__(num)
        x.__init__(...) initializes x; see help(type(x)) for signature

    loop_tag_id = 0

projectq.meta.Uncompute(engine)
    Uncompute automatically.
```

Example

```
with Compute(eng):
    do_something(qubits)
action(qubits)
Uncompute(eng) # runs inverse of the compute section
```

```
class projectq.meta.UncomputeTag
    Uncompute meta tag.

projectq.meta.drop_engine_after(prev_engine)
    Removes an engine from the singly-linked list of engines.

    Parameters prev_engine (projectq.cengines.BasicEngine) – The engine just before
        the engine to drop.

    Returns The dropped engine.

    Return type Engine

projectq.meta.get_control_count(cmd)
    Return the number of control qubits of the command object cmd

projectq.meta.insert_engine(prev_engine, engine_to_insert)
    Inserts an engine into the singly-linked list of engines.

    It also sets the correct main_engine for engine_to_insert.

    Parameters

    • prev_engine (projectq.cengines.BasicEngine) – The engine just before the
        insertion point.

    • engine_to_insert (projectq.cengines.BasicEngine) – The engine to in-
        sert at the insertion point.
```

3.5 ops

The operations collection consists of various default gates and is a work-in-progress, as users start to work with ProjectQ.

<code>projectq.ops.All</code>	Shortcut (instance of) <code>projectq.ops.Tensor</code>
<code>projectq.ops.AllocateDirtyQubitGate()</code>	Dirty qubit allocation gate class
<code>projectq.ops.AllocateQubitGate()</code>	Qubit allocation gate class

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<code>projectq.ops.apply_command(cmd)</code>	Apply a command.
<code>projectq.ops.BarrierGate()</code>	Barrier gate class
<code>projectq.ops.BasicGate()</code>	Base class of all gates.
<code>projectq.ops.BasicMathGate(math_fun)</code>	Base class for all math gates.
<code>projectq.ops.BasicPhaseGate(angle)</code>	Defines a base class of a phase gate.
<code>projectq.ops.BasicRotationGate(angle)</code>	Defines a base class of a rotation gate.
<code>projectq.ops.C(gate[, n])</code>	Return n-controlled version of the provided gate.
<code>projectq.ops.ClassicalInstructionGate()</code>	Classical instruction gate.
<code>projectq.ops.Command(engine, gate, qubits[, ...])</code>	Class used as a container to store commands.
<code>projectq.ops.ControlledGate(gate[, n])</code>	Controlled version of a gate.
<code>projectq.ops.CRz(angle)</code>	Shortcut for C(Rz(angle), n=1).
<code>projectq.ops.DaggeredGate(gate)</code>	Wrapper class allowing to execute the inverse of a gate, even when it does not define one.
<code>projectq.ops.DeallocateQubitGate()</code>	Qubit deallocation gate class
<code>projectq.ops.EntangleGate()</code>	Entangle gate (Hadamard on first qubit, followed by CNOTs applied to all other qubits).
<code>projectq.ops.FastForwardingGate()</code>	Base class for classical instruction gates which require a fast-forward through compiler engines that cache / buffer gates.
<code>projectq.ops.FlipBits(bits_to_flip)</code>	Gate for flipping qubits by means of XGates
<code>projectq.ops.FlushGate()</code>	Flush gate (denotes the end of the circuit).
<code>projectq.ops.get_inverse(gate)</code>	Return the inverse of a gate.
<code>projectq.ops.HGate()</code>	Hadamard gate class
<code>projectq.ops.is_identity(gate)</code>	Return True if the gate is an identity gate.
<code>projectq.ops.MatrixGate([matrix])</code>	Defines a gate class whose instances are defined by a matrix.
<code>projectq.ops.MeasureGate()</code>	Measurement gate class (for single qubits).
<code>projectq.ops.NotInvertible</code>	Exception thrown when trying to invert a gate which is not invertible (or where the inverse is not implemented (yet)).
<code>projectq.ops.NotMergeable</code>	Exception thrown when trying to merge two gates which are not mergeable (or where it is not implemented (yet)).
<code>projectq.ops.Ph(angle)</code>	Phase gate (global phase)
<code>projectq.ops.QAA(algorithm, oracle)</code>	Quantum Aplitude Aplification gate.
<code>projectq.ops.QFTGate()</code>	Quantum Fourier Transform gate.
<code>projectq.ops.QPE(unitary)</code>	Quantum Phase Estimation gate.
<code>projectq.ops.QubitOperator([term, coefficient])</code>	A sum of terms acting on qubits, e.g., $0.5 * 'X0 X5' + 0.3 * 'Z1 Z2'$.
<code>projectq.ops.R(angle)</code>	Phase-shift gate (equivalent to Rz up to a global phase)
<code>projectq.ops.Rx(angle)</code>	RotationX gate class
<code>projectq.ops.Rxx(angle)</code>	RotationXX gate class
<code>projectq.ops.Ry(angle)</code>	RotationY gate class
<code>projectq.ops.Ryy(angle)</code>	RotationYY gate class
<code>projectq.ops.Rz(angle)</code>	RotationZ gate class
<code>projectq.ops.Rzz(angle)</code>	RotationZZ gate class
<code>projectq.ops.SelfInverseGate()</code>	Self-inverse basic gate class.
<code>projectq.ops.SGate()</code>	S gate class
<code>projectq.ops.SqrtSwapGate()</code>	Square-root Swap gate class
<code>projectq.ops.SqrtXGate()</code>	Square-root X gate class

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<code>projectq.ops.StatePreparation(final_state)</code>	Gate for transforming qubits in state $ 0\rangle$ to any desired quantum state.
<code>projectq.ops.SwapGate()</code>	Swap gate class (swaps 2 qubits)
<code>projectq.ops.Tensor(gate)</code>	Wrapper class allowing to apply a (single-qubit) gate to every qubit in a quantum register.
<code>projectq.ops.TGate()</code>	T gate class
<code>projectq.ops.TimeEvolution(time, hamiltonian)</code>	Gate for time evolution under a Hamiltonian (QubitOperator object).
<code>projectq.ops.UniformlyControlledRy(angles)</code>	Uniformly controlled Ry gate as introduced in arXiv:quant-ph/0312218.
<code>projectq.ops.UniformlyControlledRz(angles)</code>	Uniformly controlled Rz gate as introduced in arXiv:quant-ph/0312218.
<code>projectq.ops.XGate()</code>	Pauli-X gate class
<code>projectq.ops.YGate()</code>	Pauli-Y gate class
<code>projectq.ops.ZGate()</code>	Pauli-Z gate class

3.5.1 Module contents

`projectq.ops.All`

Shortcut (instance of) `projectq.ops.Tensor`

alias of `projectq.ops._metagates.Tensor`

class `projectq.ops.AllocateDirtyQubitGate`

Dirty qubit allocation gate class

get_inverse()

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises `NotInvertible` – inverse is not implemented

class `projectq.ops.AllocateQubitGate`

Qubit allocation gate class

get_inverse()

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises `NotInvertible` – inverse is not implemented

class `projectq.ops.BarrierGate`

Barrier gate class

get_inverse()

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises `NotInvertible` – inverse is not implemented

class `projectq.ops.BasicGate`

Base class of all gates. (Don't use it directly but derive from it)

__init__()

Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (`gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices`)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable and, in addition, c, d, and e are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1],[2,3,4]])
```

__or__ (*qubits*)

Operator overload which enables the syntax `Gate | qubits`.

Example

- 1) `Gate | qubit`
- 2) `Gate | [qubit0, qubit1]`
- 3) `Gate | qureg`
- 4) `Gate | (qubit,)`
- 5) `Gate | (qureg, qubit)`

Parameters `qubits` – a Qubit object, a list of Qubit objects, a Qureg object, or a tuple of Qubit or Qureg objects (can be mixed).

generate_command (*qubits*)

Helper function to generate a command consisting of the gate and the qubits being acted upon.

Parameters `qubits` – see `BasicGate.make_tuple_of_qureg(qubits)`

Returns A Command object containing the gate and the qubits.

get_inverse ()

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises `NotInvertible` – inverse is not implemented

get_merged (*other*)

Return this gate merged with another gate.

Standard implementation of `get_merged`:

Raises `NotMergeable` – merging is not implemented

is_identity ()

static make_tuple_of_quireg (*qubits*)

Convert quantum input of “gate | quantum input” to internal formatting.

A Command object only accepts tuples of Quregs (list of Qubit objects) as qubits input parameter. However, with this function we allow the user to use a more flexible syntax:

- 1) Gate | qubit
- 2) Gate | [qubit0, qubit1]
- 3) Gate | qureg
- 4) Gate | (qubit,)
- 5) Gate | (quireg, qubit)

where qubit is a Qubit object and qureg is a Qureg object. This function takes the right hand side of | and transforms it to the correct input parameter of a Command object which is:

- 1) -> Gate | ([qubit],)
- 2) -> Gate | ([qubit0, qubit1],)
- 3) -> Gate | (quireg,)
- 4) -> Gate | ([qubit],)
- 5) -> Gate | (quireg, [qubit])

Parameters **qubits** – a Qubit object, a list of Qubit objects, a Qureg object, or a tuple of Qubit or Qureg objects (can be mixed).

Returns A tuple containing Qureg (or list of Qubits) objects.

Return type Canonical representation (tuple<quireg>)

to_string (*symbols*)

String representation

Achieve same function as str() but can be extended for configurable representation

class projectq.ops.**BasicMathGate** (*math_fun*)

Base class for all math gates.

It allows efficient emulation by providing a mathematical representation which is given by the concrete gate which derives from this base class. The AddConstant gate, for example, registers a function of the form

```
def add(x):
    return (x+a,)
```

upon initialization. More generally, the function takes integers as parameters and returns a tuple / list of outputs, each entry corresponding to the function input. As an example, consider out-of-place multiplication, which takes two input registers and adds the result into a third, i.e., (a,b,c) -> (a,b,c+a*b). The corresponding function then is

```
def multiply(a,b,c)
    return (a,b,c+a*b)
```

__init__ (*math_fun*)

Initialize a BasicMathGate by providing the mathematical function that it implements.

Parameters **math_fun** (*function*) – Function which takes as many int values as input, as the gate takes registers. For each of these values, it then returns the output (i.e., it returns a list/tuple of output values).

Example

```
def add(a,b):
    return (a,a+b)
BasicMathGate.__init__(self, add)
```

If the gate acts on, e.g., fixed point numbers, the number of bits per register is also required in order to describe the action of such a mathematical gate. For this reason, there is

```
BasicMathGate.get_math_function(qubits)
```

which can be overwritten by the gate deriving from BasicMathGate.

Example

```
def get_math_function(self, qubits):
    n = len(qubits[0])
    scal = 2.**n
    def math_fun(a):
        return (int(scal * (math.sin(math.pi * a / scal))),)
    return math_fun
```

`get_math_function` (*qubits*)

Return the math function which corresponds to the action of this math gate, given the input to the gate (a tuple of quantum registers).

Parameters *qubits* (*tuple<Qureg>*) – Qubits to which the math gate is being applied.

Returns Python function describing the action of this gate. (See BasicMathGate.__init__ for an example).

Return type *math_fun* (function)

`class` projectq.ops.**BasicPhaseGate** (*angle*)

Defines a base class of a phase gate.

A phase gate has a continuous parameter (the angle), labeled ‘angle’ / self.angle. Its inverse is the same gate with the negated argument. Phase gates of the same class can be merged by adding the angles. The continuous parameter is modulo $2 * \pi$, self.angle is in the interval $[0, 2 * \pi)$.

`__init__` (*angle*)

Initialize a basic rotation gate.

Parameters *angle* (*float*) – Angle of rotation (saved modulo $2 * \pi$)

`get_inverse` ()

Return the inverse of this rotation gate (negate the angle, return new object).

`get_merged` (*other*)

Return self merged with another gate.

Default implementation handles rotation gate of the same type, where angles are simply added.

Parameters *other* – Rotation gate of same type.

Raises *NotMergeable* – For non-rotation gates or rotation gates of different type.

Returns New object representing the merged gates.

tex_str()

Return the Latex string representation of a BasicPhaseGate.

Returns the class name and the angle as a subscript, i.e.

```
[CLASSNAME] $_{[ANGLE]}$
```

class projectq.ops.**BasicRotationGate** (*angle*)

Defines a base class of a rotation gate.

A rotation gate has a continuous parameter (the angle), labeled 'angle' / self.angle. Its inverse is the same gate with the negated argument. Rotation gates of the same class can be merged by adding the angles. The continuous parameter is modulo $4 * \pi$, self.angle is in the interval $[0, 4 * \pi)$.

__init__ (*angle*)

Initialize a basic rotation gate.

Parameters **angle** (*float*) – Angle of rotation (saved modulo $4 * \pi$)

get_inverse ()

Return the inverse of this rotation gate (negate the angle, return new object).

get_merged (*other*)

Return self merged with another gate.

Default implementation handles rotation gate of the same type, where angles are simply added.

Parameters **other** – Rotation gate of same type.

Raises *NotMergeable* – For non-rotation gates or rotation gates of different type.

Returns New object representing the merged gates.

is_identity ()

Return True if the gate is equivalent to an Identity gate

tex_str ()

Return the Latex string representation of a BasicRotationGate.

Returns the class name and the angle as a subscript, i.e.

```
[CLASSNAME] $_{[ANGLE]}$
```

to_string (*symbols=False*)

Return the string representation of a BasicRotationGate.

Parameters **symbols** (*bool*) – uses the pi character and round the angle for a more user friendly display if True, full angle written in radian otherwise.

projectq.ops.**C** (*gate, n=1*)

Return n-controlled version of the provided gate.

Parameters

- **gate** – Gate to turn into its controlled version
- **n** – Number of controls (default: 1)

Example

```
C(NOT) | (c, q) # equivalent to CNOT | (c, q)
```

`projectq.ops.CRz` (*angle*)
 Shortcut for `C(Rz(angle), n=1)`.

class `projectq.ops.ClassicalInstructionGate`

Classical instruction gate.

Base class for all gates which are not quantum gates in the typical sense, e.g., measurement, allocation/deallocation, ...

class `projectq.ops.Command` (*engine, gate, qubits, controls=(), tags=()*)

Class used as a container to store commands. If a gate is applied to qubits, then the gate and qubits are saved in a command object. Qubits are copied into `WeakQubitRefs` in order to allow early deallocation (would be kept alive otherwise). `WeakQubitRef` qubits don't send deallocate gate when destructed.

gate

The gate to execute

qubits

Tuple of qubit lists (e.g. `Quregs`). Interchangeable qubits are stored in a unique order

control_qubits

The `Qureg` of control qubits in a unique order

engine

The engine (usually: `MainEngine`)

tags

The list of tag objects associated with this command (e.g., `ComputeTag`, `UncomputeTag`, `LoopTag`, ...). tag objects need to support `==`, `!=` (`__eq__` and `__ne__`) for comparison as used in e.g. `TagRemover`. New tags should always be added to the end of the list. This means that if there are e.g. two `LoopTags` in a command, `tag[0]` is from the inner scope while `tag[1]` is from the other scope as the other scope receives the command after the inner scope `LoopEngine` and hence adds its `LoopTag` to the end.

all_qubits

A tuple of `control_qubits` + `qubits`

`__init__` (*engine, gate, qubits, controls=(), tags=()*)

Initialize a `Command` object.

Note: control qubits (`Command.control_qubits`) are stored as a list of qubits, and command tags (`Command.tags`) as a list of tag-objects. All functions within this class also work if `WeakQubitRefs` are supplied instead of normal `Qubit` objects (see `WeakQubitRef`).

Parameters

- **engine** (`projectq.engines.BasicEngine`) – engine which created the qubit (mostly the `MainEngine`)
- **gate** (`projectq.ops.Gate`) – Gate to be executed
- **qubits** (`tuple[Qureg]`) – Tuple of quantum registers (to which the gate is applied)
- **controls** (`Qureg/list[Qubit]`) – Qubits that condition the command.
- **tags** (`list[object]`) – Tags associated with the command.

add_control_qubits (*qubits*)

Add (additional) control qubits to this command object.

They are sorted to ensure a canonical order. Also Qubit objects are converted to WeakQubitRef objects to allow garbage collection and thus early deallocation of qubits.

Parameters `qubits` (*list of Qubit objects*) – List of qubits which control this gate, i.e., the gate is only executed if all qubits are in state 1.

all_qubits

Get all qubits (gate and control qubits).

Returns a tuple T where T[0] is a quantum register (a list of WeakQubitRef objects) containing the control qubits and T[1:] contains the quantum registers to which the gate is applied.

control_qubits

Returns Qureg of control qubits.

engine

Return engine to which the qubits belong / on which the gates are executed.

get_inverse()

Get the command object corresponding to the inverse of this command.

Inverts the gate (if possible) and creates a new command object from the result.

Raises *NotInvertible* – If the gate does not provide an inverse (see BasicGate.get_inverse)

get_merged(other)

Merge this command with another one and return the merged command object.

Parameters `other` – Other command to merge with this one (self)

Raises *NotMergeable* – if the gates don't supply a get_merged()-function or can't be merged for other reasons.

interchangeable_qubit_indices

Return nested list of qubit indices which are interchangeable.

Certain qubits can be interchanged (e.g., the qubit order for a Swap gate). To ensure that only those are sorted when determining the ordering (see `_order_qubits`), `self.interchangeable_qubit_indices` is used. .. rubric:: Example

If we can interchange qubits 0,1 and qubits 3,4,5, then this function returns `[[0,1],[3,4,5]]`

is_identity()

Evaluate if the gate called in the command object is an identity gate.

Returns True if the gate is equivalent to an Identity gate, False otherwise

qubits

to_string(symbols=False)

Get string representation of this Command object.

class `projectq.ops.ControlledGate(gate, n=1)`

Controlled version of a gate.

Note: Use the meta function `C()` to create a controlled gate

A wrapper class which enables (multi-) controlled gates. It overloads the `__or__`-operator, using the first qubits provided as control qubits. The n control-qubits need to be the first n qubits. They can be in separate quregs.

Example

```
ControlledGate(gate, 2) | (qb0, qb2, qb3) # qb0 & qb2 are controls
C(gate, 2) | (qb0, qb2, qb3) # This is much nicer.
C(gate, 2) | ([qb0, qb2], qb3) # Is equivalent
```

Note: Use `C()` rather than `ControlledGate`, i.e.,

```
C(X, 2) == Toffoli
```

`__init__(gate, n=1)`

Initialize a `ControlledGate` object.

Parameters

- **gate** – Gate to wrap.
- **n** (*int*) – Number of control qubits.

`__or__(qubits)`

Apply the controlled gate to qubits, using the first *n* qubits as controls.

Note: The control qubits can be split across the first quregs. However, the *n*-th control qubit needs to be the last qubit in a qureg. The following quregs belong to the gate.

Parameters **qubits** (*tuple of lists of Qubit objects*) – qubits to which to apply the gate.

`get_inverse()`

Return inverse of a controlled gate, which is the controlled inverse gate.

class `projectq.ops.DaggeredGate(gate)`

Wrapper class allowing to execute the inverse of a gate, even when it does not define one.

If there is a replacement available, then there is also one for the inverse, namely the replacement function run in reverse, while inverting all gates. This class enables using this emulation automatically.

A `DaggeredGate` is returned automatically when employing the `get_inverse-` function on a gate which does not provide a `get_inverse()` member function.

Example

```
with Dagger(eng):
    MySpecialGate | qubits
```

will create a `DaggeredGate` if `MySpecialGate` does not implement `get_inverse`. If there is a decomposition function available, an auto-replacer engine can automatically replace the inverted gate by a call to the decomposition function inside a “with `Dagger`”-statement.

`__init__(gate)`

Initialize a `DaggeredGate` representing the inverse of the gate ‘gate’.

Parameters **gate** – Any gate object of which to represent the inverse.

`get_inverse()`

Return the inverse gate (the inverse of the inverse of a gate is the gate itself).

`tex_str()`

Return the Latex string representation of a Daggered gate.

`class projectq.ops.DeallocateQubitGate`

Qubit deallocation gate class

`get_inverse()`

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises `NotInvertible` – inverse is not implemented

`class projectq.ops.EntangleGate`

Entangle gate (Hadamard on first qubit, followed by CNOTs applied to all other qubits).

`class projectq.ops.FastForwardingGate`

Base class for classical instruction gates which require a fast-forward through compiler engines that cache / buffer gates. Examples include Measure and Deallocate, which both should be executed asap, such that Measurement results are available and resources are freed, respectively.

Note: The only requirement is that FlushGate commands run the entire circuit. FastForwardingGate objects can be used but the user cannot expect a measurement result to be available for all back-ends when calling only Measure. E.g., for the IBM Quantum Experience back-end, sending the circuit for each Measure-gate would be too inefficient, which is why a final

is required before the circuit gets sent through the API.

`class projectq.ops.FlipBits(bits_to_flip)`

Gate for flipping qubits by means of XGates

`__init__(bits_to_flip)`

Initialize FlipBits gate.

Example

```
qureg = eng.allocate_qureg(2)
FlipBits([0, 1]) | qureg
```

Parameters `bits_to_flip` (`list[int]` / `list[bool]` / `str` / `int`) – int or array of 0/1, True/False, or string of 0/1 identifying the qubits to flip. In case of int, the bits to flip are determined from the binary digits, with the least significant bit corresponding to `qureg[0]`. If `bits_to_flip` is negative, exactly all qubits which would not be flipped for the input `-bits_to_flip-1` are flipped, i.e., `bits_to_flip=-1` flips all qubits.

`__or__(qubits)`

Operator overload which enables the syntax `Gate | qubits`.

Example

- 1) `Gate | qubit`
- 2) `Gate | [qubit0, qubit1]`
- 3) `Gate | qureg`

- 4) Gate | (qubit,)
- 5) Gate | (qureg, qubit)

Parameters **qubits** – a Qubit object, a list of Qubit objects, a Qureg object, or a tuple of Qubit or Qureg objects (can be mixed).

class `projectq.ops.FlushGate`
Flush gate (denotes the end of the circuit).

Note: All compiler engines (cengines) which cache/buffer gates are obligated to flush and send all gates to the next compiler engine (followed by the flush command).

Note: This gate is sent when calling

```
eng.flush()
```

on the MainEngine *eng*.

class `projectq.ops.HGate`
Hadamard gate class

matrix

class `projectq.ops.MatrixGate` (*matrix=None*)
Defines a gate class whose instances are defined by a matrix.

Note: Use this gate class only for gates acting on a small numbers of qubits. In general, consider instead using one of the provided ProjectQ gates or define a new class as this allows the compiler to work symbolically.

Example

```
gate = MatrixGate([[0, 1], [1, 0]])
gate | qubit
```

__init__ (*matrix=None*)
Initialize MatrixGate

Parameters **matrix** (*numpy.matrix*) – matrix which defines the gate. Default: None

get_inverse ()
Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises *NotInvertible* – inverse is not implemented

matrix

class `projectq.ops.MeasureGate`
Measurement gate class (for single qubits).

`__or__` (*qubits*)

Previously (ProjectQ <= v0.3.6) MeasureGate/Measure was allowed to be applied to any number of quantum registers. Now the MeasureGate/Measure is strictly a single qubit gate. In the coming releases the backward compatibility will be removed!

exception `projectq.ops.NotInvertible`

Exception thrown when trying to invert a gate which is not invertable (or where the inverse is not implemented (yet)).

exception `projectq.ops.NotMergeable`

Exception thrown when trying to merge two gates which are not mergeable (or where it is not implemented (yet)).

class `projectq.ops.Ph` (*angle*)

Phase gate (global phase)

matrix

class `projectq.ops.QAA` (*algorithm, oracle*)

Quantum Amplitude Amplification gate.

(Quick reference https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amplitude_amplification. Complete reference G. Brassard, P. Hoyer, M. Mosca, A. Tapp (2000) Quantum Amplitude Amplification and Estimation <https://arxiv.org/abs/quant-ph/0005055>)

Quantum Amplitude Amplification (QAA) executes the algorithm, but not the final measurement required to obtain the marked state(s) with high probability. The starting state on which the QAA algorithm is executed is the one resulting of applying the Algorithm on the $|0\rangle$ state.

Example

```
def func_algorithm(eng, system_qubits):
    All(H) | system_qubits

def func_oracle(eng, system_qubits, qaa_ancilla):
    # This oracle selects the state |010> as the one marked
    with Compute(eng):
        All(X) | system_qubits[0::2]
    with Control(eng, system_qubits):
        X | qaa_ancilla
    Uncompute(eng)

system_qubits = eng.allocate_quireg(3)
# Prepare the qaa_ancilla qubit in the |-> state
qaa_ancilla = eng.allocate_qubit()
X | qaa_ancilla
H | qaa_ancilla

# Creates the initial state form the Algorithm
func_algorithm(eng, system_qubits)
# Apply Quantum Amplitude Amplification the correct number of times
num_it = int(math.pi/4.*math.sqrt(1 << 3))
with Loop(eng, num_it):
    QAA(func_algorithm, func_oracle) | (system_qubits, qaa_ancilla)

All(Measure) | system_qubits
```

Warning: No qubit allocation/deallocation may take place during the call to the defined Algorithm `func_algorithm`

func_algorithm

Algorithm that initialize the state and to be used in the QAA algorithm

func_oracle

The Oracle that marks the state(s) as “good”

system_qubits

the system we are interested on

qaa_ancilla

auxiliary qubit that helps to invert the amplitude of the “good” states

__init__ (*algorithm, oracle*)

Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (`gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices`)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable and, in addition, c, d, and e are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1],[2,3,4]])
```

class `projectq.ops.QFTGate`

Quantum Fourier Transform gate.

class `projectq.ops.QPE` (*unitary*)

Quantum Phase Estimation gate.

See `setups.decompositions` for the complete implementation

__init__ (*unitary*)

Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (`gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices`)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable and, in addition, c, d, and e are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1],[2,3,4]])
```

class `projectq.ops.QubitOperator` (*term=None, coefficient=1.0*)

A sum of terms acting on qubits, e.g., $0.5 * 'X0 X5' + 0.3 * 'Z1 Z2'$.

A term is an operator acting on n qubits and can be represented as:

`coefficient * local_operator[0] x ... x local_operator[n-1]`

where x is the tensor product. A local operator is a Pauli operator ('I', 'X', 'Y', or 'Z') which acts on one qubit. In math notation a term is, for example, $0.5 * 'X0 X5'$, which means that a Pauli X operator acts on qubit 0 and 5, while the identity operator acts on all other qubits.

A QubitOperator represents a sum of terms acting on qubits and overloads operations for easy manipulation of these objects by the user.

Note for a QubitOperator to be a Hamiltonian which is a hermitian operator, the coefficients of all terms must be real.

```
hamiltonian = 0.5 * QubitOperator('X0 X5') + 0.3 * QubitOperator('Z0')
```

Our Simulator takes a hermitian QubitOperator to directly calculate the expectation value (see `Simulator.get_expectation_value`) of this observable.

A hermitian QubitOperator can also be used as input for the TimeEvolution gate.

If the QubitOperator is unitary, i.e., it contains only one term with a coefficient, whose absolute value is 1, then one can apply it directly to qubits:

```
eng = projectq.MainEngine()
qureg = eng.allocate_qureg(6)
QubitOperator('X0 X5', 1.j) | qureg # Applies X to qubit 0 and 5
                                   # with an additional global phase
                                   # of 1.j
```

terms

key: A term represented by a tuple containing all non-trivial local Pauli operators ('X', 'Y', or 'Z'). A non-trivial local Pauli operator is specified by a tuple with the first element being an integer indicating the qubit on which a non-trivial local operator acts and the second element being a string, either 'X', 'Y', or 'Z', indicating which non-trivial Pauli operator acts on that qubit. Examples: ((1, 'X'),) or ((1, 'X'), (4, 'Z')) or the identity (). The tuples representing the non-trivial local terms are sorted according to the qubit number they act on, starting from 0. **value:** Coefficient of this term as a (complex) float

Type dict

__init__ (*term=None, coefficient=1.0*)

Initiates a QubitOperator.

The init function only allows to initialize one term. Additional terms have to be added using += (which is fast) or using + of two QubitOperator objects:

Example

```
ham = ((QubitOperator('X0 Y3', 0.5)
        + 0.6 * QubitOperator('X0 Y3')))
# Equivalently
ham2 = QubitOperator('X0 Y3', 0.5)
ham2 += 0.6 * QubitOperator('X0 Y3')
```

Note: Adding terms to QubitOperator is faster using += (as this is done by in-place addition). Specifying the coefficient in the `__init__` is faster than by multiplying a QubitOperator with a scalar as calls an out-of-place multiplication.

Parameters

- **coefficient** (*complex float, optional*) – The coefficient of the first term of this QubitOperator. Default is 1.0.
- **term** (*optional, empty tuple, a tuple of tuples, or a string*) –
 - 1) Default is None which means there are no terms in the QubitOperator hence it is the “zero” Operator
 - 2) An empty tuple means there are no non-trivial Pauli operators acting on the qubits hence only identities with a coefficient (which by default is 1.0).
 - 3) A sorted tuple of tuples. The first element of each tuple is an integer indicating the qubit on which a non-trivial local operator acts, starting from zero. The second element of each tuple is a string, either ‘X’, ‘Y’ or ‘Z’, indicating which local operator acts on that qubit.
 - 4) A string of the form ‘X0 Z2 Y5’, indicating an X on qubit 0, Z on qubit 2, and Y on qubit 5. The string should be sorted by the qubit number. ‘’ is the identity.

Raises QubitOperatorError – Invalid operators provided to QubitOperator.

`__or__` (*qubits*)

Operator| overload which enables the following syntax:

```
QubitOperator(...) | qureg
QubitOperator(...) | (qureg,)
QubitOperator(...) | qubit
QubitOperator(...) | (qubit,)
```

Unlike other gates, this gate is only allowed to be applied to one quantum register or one qubit and only if the QubitOperator is unitary, i.e., consists of one term with a coefficient whose absolute values is 1.

Example:

```
eng = projectq.MainEngine()
qureg = eng.allocate_qureg(6)
QubitOperator('X0 X5', 1.j) | qureg # Applies X to qubit 0 and 5
                                   # with an additional global
                                   # phase of 1.j
```

While in the above example the QubitOperator gate is applied to 6 qubits, it only acts non-trivially on the two qubits `qureg[0]` and `qureg[5]`. Therefore, the operator| will create a new rescaled QubitOperator, i.e, it sends the equivalent of the following new gate to the MainEngine:

```
QubitOperator('X0 X1', 1.j) | [qureg[0], qureg[5]]
```

which is only a two qubit gate.

Parameters `qubits` – one Qubit object, one list of Qubit objects, one Qureg object, or a tuple of the former three cases.

Raises

- `TypeError` – If `QubitOperator` is not unitary or applied to more than one quantum register.
- `ValueError` – If quantum register does not have enough qubits

compress (*abs_tol=1e-12*)

Eliminates all terms with coefficients close to zero and removes imaginary parts of coefficients that are close to zero.

Parameters `abs_tol` (*float*) – Absolute tolerance, must be at least 0.0

get_inverse ()

Return the inverse gate of a `QubitOperator` if applied as a gate.

Raises `NotInvertible` – Not implemented for `QubitOperators` which have multiple terms or a coefficient with absolute value not equal to 1.

get_merged (*other*)

Return this gate merged with another gate.

Standard implementation of `get_merged`:

Raises `NotMergeable` – merging is not possible

isclose (*other, rel_tol=1e-12, abs_tol=1e-12*)

Returns True if `other` (`QubitOperator`) is close to self.

Comparison is done for each term individually. Return True if the difference between each term in self and other is less than the relative tolerance w.r.t. either other or self (symmetric test) or if the difference is less than the absolute tolerance.

Parameters

- `other` (`QubitOperator`) – `QubitOperator` to compare against.
- `rel_tol` (*float*) – Relative tolerance, must be greater than 0.0
- `abs_tol` (*float*) – Absolute tolerance, must be at least 0.0

class `projectq.ops.R` (*angle*)

Phase-shift gate (equivalent to `Rz` up to a global phase)

matrix

class `projectq.ops.Rx` (*angle*)

RotationX gate class

matrix

class `projectq.ops.Rxx` (*angle*)

RotationXX gate class

matrix

class `projectq.ops.Ry` (*angle*)

RotationY gate class

matrix

class projectq.ops.**Ryy** (*angle*)
RotationYY gate class

matrix

class projectq.ops.**Rz** (*angle*)
RotationZ gate class

matrix

class projectq.ops.**Rzz** (*angle*)
RotationZZ gate class

matrix

class projectq.ops.**S**Gate
S gate class

matrix

class projectq.ops.**SelfInverseGate**
Self-inverse basic gate class.

Automatic implementation of the `get_inverse`-member function for self- inverse gates.

Example

```
# get_inverse(H) == H, it is a self-inverse gate:  
get_inverse(H) | qubit
```

get_inverse ()
Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises *NotInvertible* – inverse is not implemented

class projectq.ops.**SqrtSwapGate**
Square-root Swap gate class

__init__ ()
Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (`gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices`)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable and, in addition, c, d, and e are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as


```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1],[2,3,4]])
```

matrix

class projectq.ops.**SqrtXGate**

Square-root X gate class

matrix

tex_str()

class projectq.ops.**StatePreparation** (*final_state*)

Gate for transforming qubits in state $|0\rangle$ to any desired quantum state.

__init__ (*final_state*)

Initialize StatePreparation gate.

Example

```
qureg = eng.allocate_qureg(2)
StatePreparation([0.5, -0.5j, -0.5, 0.5]) | qureg
```

Note: `final_state[k]` is taken to be the amplitude of the computational basis state whose string is equal to the binary representation of `k`.

Parameters `final_state` (*list[complex]*) – wavefunction of the desired quantum state. `len(final_state)` must be `2**len(qureg)`. Must be normalized!

class projectq.ops.**SwapGate**

Swap gate class (swaps 2 qubits)

__init__ ()

Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (`gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices`)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where `a` and `b` are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where `a` and `b` are interchangeable and, in addition, `c`, `d`, and `e` are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1],[2,3,4]])
```

matrix

class projectq.ops.**TGate**
T gate class

matrix

class projectq.ops.**Tensor**(*gate*)

Wrapper class allowing to apply a (single-qubit) gate to every qubit in a quantum register. Allowed syntax is to supply either a qureg or a tuple which contains only one qureg.

Example

```
Tensor(H) | x # applies H to every qubit in the list of qubits x
Tensor(H) | (x,) # alternative to be consistent with other syntax
```

__init__(*gate*)

Initialize a Tensor object for the gate.

__or__(*qubits*)

Applies the gate to every qubit in the quantum register qubits.

get_inverse()

Return the inverse of this tensored gate (which is the tensored inverse of the gate).

class projectq.ops.**TimeEvolution**(*time*, *hamiltonian*)

Gate for time evolution under a Hamiltonian (QubitOperator object).

This gate is the unitary time evolution propagator: $\exp(-i * H * t)$, where H is the Hamiltonian of the system and t is the time. Note that -i factor is stored implicitly.

Example

```
wavefunction = eng.allocate_qureg(5)
hamiltonian = 0.5 * QubitOperator("X0 Z1 Y5")
# Apply exp(-i * H * t) to the wavefunction:
TimeEvolution(time=2.0, hamiltonian=hamiltonian) | wavefunction
```

time

time t

Type float, int

hamiltonian

hamiltonian H

Type *QubitOperator*

__init__(*time*, *hamiltonian*)

Initialize time evolution gate.

Note: The hamiltonian must be hermitian and therefore only terms with real coefficients are allowed. Coefficients are internally converted to float.

Parameters

- **time** (*float*, or *int*) – time to evolve under (can be negative).

- **hamiltonian** (`QubitOperator`) – hamiltonian to evolve under.

Raises

- `TypeError` – If time is not a numeric type and hamiltonian is not a `QubitOperator`.
- `NotHermitianOperatorError` – If the input hamiltonian is not hermitian (only real coefficients).

`__or__` (*qubits*)

Operator overload which enables the following syntax:

```
TimeEvolution(...) | qureg
TimeEvolution(...) | (qureg,)
TimeEvolution(...) | qubit
TimeEvolution(...) | (qubit,)
```

Unlike other gates, this gate is only allowed to be applied to one quantum register or one qubit.

Example:

```
wavefunction = eng.allocate_qureg(5)
hamiltonian = QubitOperator("X1 Y3", 0.5)
TimeEvolution(time=2.0, hamiltonian=hamiltonian) | wavefunction
```

While in the above example the `TimeEvolution` gate is applied to 5 qubits, the hamiltonian of this `TimeEvolution` gate acts only non-trivially on the two qubits `wavefunction[1]` and `wavefunction[3]`. Therefore, the operator will rescale the indices in the hamiltonian and sends the equivalent of the following new gate to the `MainEngine`:

```
h = QubitOperator("X0 Y1", 0.5)
TimeEvolution(2.0, h) | [wavefunction[1], wavefunction[3]]
```

which is only a two qubit gate.

Parameters `qubits` – one `Qubit` object, one list of `Qubit` objects, one `Qureg` object, or a tuple of the former three cases.

`get_inverse` ()

Return the inverse gate.

`get_merged` (*other*)

Return self merged with another `TimeEvolution` gate if possible.

Two `TimeEvolution` gates are merged if:

- 1) both have the same terms
- 2) the proportionality factor for each of the terms must have relative error $\leq 1e-9$ compared to the proportionality factors of the other terms.

Note: While one could merge gates for which both hamiltonians commute, we are not doing this as in general the resulting gate would have to be decomposed again.

Note: We are not comparing if terms are proportional to each other with an absolute tolerance. It is up to the user to remove terms close to zero because we cannot choose a suitable absolute error which works for everyone. Use, e.g., a decomposition rule for that.

Parameters *other* – TimeEvolution gate

Raises *NotMergeable* – If the other gate is not a TimeEvolution gate or hamiltonians are not suitable for merging.

Returns New TimeEvolution gate equivalent to the two merged gates.

class `projectq.ops.UniformlyControlledRy` (*angles*)

Uniformly controlled Ry gate as introduced in arXiv:quant-ph/0312218.

This is an n-qubit gate. There are n-1 control qubits and one target qubit. This gate applies Ry(angles(k)) to the target qubit if the n-1 control qubits are in the classical state k. As there are $2^{(n-1)}$ classical states for the control qubits, this gate requires $2^{(n-1)}$ (potentially different) angle parameters.

Example

```
controls = eng.allocate_quireg(2) target = eng.allocate_qubit() UniformlyControlledRy(angles=[0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4]) | (controls, target)
```

Note: The first quantum register contains the control qubits. When converting the classical state k of the control qubits to an integer, we define controls[0] to be the least significant (qu)bit. controls can also be an empty list in which case the gate corresponds to an Ry.

Parameters *angles* (*list[float]*) – Rotation angles. Ry(angles[k]) is applied conditioned on the control qubits being in state k.

__init__ (*angles*)

Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a, b, c, d, e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0, 1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a, b, c, d, e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable and, in addition, c, d, and e are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0, 1], [2, 3, 4]])
```

get_inverse ()

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of get_inverse:

Raises *NotInvertible* – inverse is not implemented

get_merged (*other*)

Return this gate merged with another gate.

Standard implementation of get_merged:

Raises *NotMergeable* – merging is not implemented

class projectq.ops.**UniformlyControlledRz** (*angles*)

Uniformly controlled Rz gate as introduced in arXiv:quant-ph/0312218.

This is an n-qubit gate. There are n-1 control qubits and one target qubit. This gate applies Rz(angles(k)) to the target qubit if the n-1 control qubits are in the classical state k. As there are $2^{(n-1)}$ classical states for the control qubits, this gate requires $2^{(n-1)}$ (potentially different) angle parameters.

Example

```


```

```
controls = eng.allocate_quireg(2) target = eng.allocate_qubit() UniformlyControlledRz(angles=[0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4]) | (controls, target)
```

Note: The first quantum register are the contains qubits. When converting the classical state k of the control qubits to an integer, we define controls[0] to be the least significant (qu)bit. controls can also be an empty list in which case the gate corresponds to an Rz.

Parameters **angles** (*list[float]*) – Rotation angles. Rz(angles[k]) is applied conditioned on the control qubits being in state k.

__init__ (*angles*)

Initialize a basic gate.

Note: Set interchangeable qubit indices! (gate.interchangeable_qubit_indices)

As an example, consider

```
ExampleGate | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable. Then, call this function as follows:

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1]])
```

As another example, consider

```
ExampleGate2 | (a,b,c,d,e)
```

where a and b are interchangeable and, in addition, c, d, and e are interchangeable among themselves. Then, call this function as

```
self.set_interchangeable_qubit_indices([[0,1],[2,3,4]])
```

get_inverse ()

Return the inverse gate.

Standard implementation of `get_inverse`:

Raises `NotInvertible` – inverse is not implemented

`get_merged` (*other*)

Return this gate merged with another gate.

Standard implementation of `get_merged`:

Raises `NotMergeable` – merging is not implemented

class `projectq.ops.XGate`

Pauli-X gate class

matrix

class `projectq.ops.YGate`

Pauli-Y gate class

matrix

class `projectq.ops.ZGate`

Pauli-Z gate class

matrix

`projectq.ops.apply_command` (*cmd*)

Apply a command.

Extracts the qubits-owning (target) engine from the Command object and sends the Command to it.

Parameters `cmd` (`Command`) – Command to apply

`projectq.ops.get_inverse` (*gate*)

Return the inverse of a gate.

Tries to call `gate.get_inverse` and, upon failure, creates a `DaggeredGate` instead.

Parameters `gate` – Gate of which to get the inverse

Example

```
get_inverse(H) # returns a Hadamard gate (HGate object)
```

`projectq.ops.is_identity` (*gate*)

Return True if the gate is an identity gate.

Tries to call `gate.is_identity` and, upon failure, returns False

Parameters `gate` – Gate of which to get the inverse

Example

```
get_inverse(Rx(2*math.pi)) # returns True
get_inverse(Rx(math.pi)) # returns False
```

3.6 setups

The setups package contains a collection of setups which can be loaded by the *MainEngine*. Each setup contains a *get_engine_list* function which returns a list of compiler engines:

Example:

```
import projectq.setups.ibm as ibm_setup
from projectq import MainEngine
eng = MainEngine(engine_list=ibm_setup.get_engine_list())
# eng uses the default Simulator backend
```

The subpackage *decompositions* contains all the individual decomposition rules which can be given to, e.g., an *AutoReplacer*.

3.6.1 Subpackages

setups.decompositions

The decomposition package is a collection of gate decomposition / replacement rules which can be used by, e.g., the *AutoReplacer* engine.

<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.amplitudeamplification</i>	Registers a decomposition for quantum amplitude amplification.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.arb1qubit2rzandry</i>	Registers the Z-Y decomposition for an arbitrary one qubit gate.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.barrier</i>	Registers a decomposition rule for barriers.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.carb1qubit2cnotrzandry</i>	Registers the decomposition of an controlled arbitrary single qubit gate.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.cnot2cz</i>	Registers a decomposition to for a CNOT gate in terms of CZ and Hadamard.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.cnot2rxx</i>	Registers a decomposition to for a CNOT gate in terms of Rxx, Rx and Ry gates.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.cnu2toffoliandcu</i>	Registers a decomposition rule for multi-controlled gates.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.crz2cxandrz</i>	Registers a decomposition for controlled z-rotation gates.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.entangle</i>	Registers a decomposition for the Entangle gate.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.globalphase</i>	Registers a decomposition rule for global phases.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.h2rx</i>	Registers a decomposition for the H gate into an Ry and Rx gate.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.module</i>	Registers a decomposition for quantum amplitude amplification.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.ph2r</i>	Registers a decomposition for the controlled global phase gate.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.phaseestimation</i>	Registers a decomposition for phase estimation.
<i>projectq.setups.decompositions.qft2crandhadamard</i>	Registers a decomposition rule for the quantum Fourier transform.

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<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.qubitop2onequbit</code>	Registers a decomposition rule for a unitary QubitOperator to one qubit gates.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.r2rzandph</code>	Registers a decomposition rule for the phase-shift gate.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.rx2rz</code>	Registers a decomposition for the Rx gate into an Rz gate and Hadamard.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.ry2rz</code>	Registers a decomposition for the Ry gate into an Rz and Rx(pi/2) gate.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.rz2rx</code>	Registers a decomposition for the Rz gate into an Rx and Ry(pi/2) or Ry(-pi/2) gate
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.sqrtswap2cnot</code>	Registers a decomposition to achieve a SqrtSwap gate.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.stateprep2cnot</code>	Registers decomposition for StatePreparation.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.swap2cnot</code>	Registers a decomposition to achieve a Swap gate.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.time_evolution</code>	Registers decomposition for the TimeEvolution gates.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.toffoli2cnotandtgate</code>	Registers a decomposition rule for the Toffoli gate.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.uniformlycontrolledr2cnot</code>	Registers decomposition for UniformlyControlledRy and UniformlyControlledRz.
<code>projectq.setups.decompositions.all_defined_decomposition_rules</code>	list() -> new empty list list(iterable) -> new list initialized from iterable's items

Submodules

amplitudeamplification

Registers a decomposition for quantum amplitude amplification.

(Quick reference https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amplitude_amplification. Complete reference G. Brassard, P. Hoyer, M. Mosca, A. Tapp (2000) Quantum Amplitude Amplification and Estimation <https://arxiv.org/abs/quant-ph/0005055>)

Quantum Amplitude Amplification (QAA) executes the algorithm, but not the final measurement required to obtain the marked state(s) with high probability. The starting state on which the QAA algorithm is executed is the one resulting of applying the Algorithm on the $|0\rangle$ state.

Example

```
def func_algorithm(eng, system_qubits):
    All(H) | system_qubits

def func_oracle(eng, system_qubits, qaa_ancilla):
    # This oracle selects the state |010> as the one marked
    with Compute(eng):
        All(X) | system_qubits[0::2]
    with Control(eng, system_qubits):
        X | qaa_ancilla
    Uncompute(eng)
```

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```

system_qubits = eng.allocate_quireg(3)
# Prepare the qaa_ancilla qubit in the |-> state
qaa_ancilla = eng.allocate_qubit()
X | qaa_ancilla
H | qaa_ancilla

# Creates the initial state form the Algorithm
func_algorithm(eng, system_qubits)
# Apply Quantum Amplitude Amplification the correct number of times
num_it = int(math.pi/4.*math.sqrt(1 << 3))
with Loop(eng, num_it):
    QAA(func_algorithm, func_oracle) | (system_qubits, qaa_ancilla)

All(Measure) | system_qubits

```

Warning: No qubit allocation/deallocation may take place during the call to the defined Algorithm `func_algorithm`

`projectq.setups.decompositions.amplitudeamplification.func_algorithm`
Algorithm that initialite the state and to be used in the QAA algorithm

`projectq.setups.decompositions.amplitudeamplification.func_oracle`
The Oracle that marks the state(s) as “good”

`projectq.setups.decompositions.amplitudeamplification.system_qubits`
the system we are interested on

`projectq.setups.decompositions.amplitudeamplification.qaa_ancilla`
auxiliary qubit that helps to invert the amplitude of the “good” states

`projectq.setups.decompositions.amplitudeamplification.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projec`
Decomposition rules

arb1qubit2rzandry

Registers the Z-Y decomposition for an arbitrary one qubit gate.

See paper “Elementary gates for quantum computing” by Adriano Barenco et al., arXiv:quant-ph/9503016v1. (Note: They use different gate definitions!) Or see theorem 4.1 in Nielsen and Chuang.

Decompose an arbitrary one qubit gate U into $U = e^{i\alpha} R_z(\beta) R_y(\gamma) R_z(\delta)$. If a gate V is element of $SU(2)$, i.e., determinant == 1, then $V = R_z(\beta) R_y(\gamma) R_z(\delta)$

`projectq.setups.decompositions.arb1qubit2rzandry.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projec`
Decomposition rules

barrier

Registers a decomposition rule for barriers.

Deletes all barriers if they are not supported.

`projectq.setups.decompositions.barrier.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengine`
Decomposition rules

carb1qubit2cnotrzandry

Registers the decomposition of an controlled arbitrary single qubit gate.

See paper “Elementary gates for quantum computing” by Adriano Barenco et al., arXiv:quant-ph/9503016v1. (Note: They use different gate definitions!) or Nielsen and Chuang chapter 4.3.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.carb1qubit2cnotrzandry.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengin
    Decomposition rules
```

cnot2cz

Registers a decomposition to for a CNOT gate in terms of CZ and Hadamard.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.cnot2cz.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengin
    Decomposition rules
```

cnot2rxx

Registers a decomposition to for a CNOT gate in terms of Rxx, Rx and Ry gates.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.cnot2rxx.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengin
    Decomposition rules
```

cnu2toffoliandcu

Registers a decomposition rule for multi-controlled gates.

Implements the decomposition of Nielsen and Chuang (Fig. 4.10) which decomposes a $C^n(U)$ gate into a sequence of $2 * (n-1)$ Toffoli gates and one $C(U)$ gate by using $(n-1)$ ancilla qubits and circuit depth of $2n-1$.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.cnu2toffoliandcu.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengin
    Decomposition rules
```

crz2cxandrz

Registers a decomposition for controlled z-rotation gates.

It uses 2 z-rotations and 2 C^n NOT gates to achieve this gate.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.crz2cxandrz.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengin
    Decomposition rules
```

entangle

Registers a decomposition for the Entangle gate.

Applies a Hadamard gate to the first qubit and then, conditioned on this first qubit, CNOT gates to all others.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.entangle.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengin
    Decomposition rules
```

globalphase

Registers a decomposition rule for global phases.

Deletes global phase gates (which can be ignored).

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.globalphase.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengines.decompositionrules.GlobalPhase>]
Decomposition rules
```

h2rx

Registers a decomposition for the H gate into an Ry and Rx gate.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.h2rx.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.cengines.decompositionrules.H2RX>]
Decomposition rules
```

module

Registers a decomposition for quantum amplitude amplification.

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    with Compute(eng):
        All(X) | system_qubits[0::2]
    with Control(eng, system_qubits):
        X | qaa_ancilla
    Uncompute(eng)

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# Prepare the qaa_ancilla qubit in the |-> state
qaa_ancilla = eng.allocate_qubit()
X | qaa_ancilla
H | qaa_ancilla

# Creates the initial state form the Algorithm
func_algorithm(eng, system_qubits)
# Apply Quantum Amplitude Amplification the correct number of times
num_it = int(math.pi/4.*math.sqrt(1 << 3))
with Loop(eng, num_it):
    QAA(func_algorithm, func_oracle) | (system_qubits, qaa_ancilla)

All(Measure) | system_qubits
```

Warning: No qubit allocation/deallocation may take place during the call to the defined Algorithm `func_algorithm`

`projectq.setups.decompositions.module.func_algorithm`

Algorithm that initialite the state and to be used in the QAA algorithm

`projectq.setups.decompositions.module.func_oracle`

The Oracle that marks the state(s) as “good”

`projectq.setups.decompositions.module.system_qubits`

the system we are interested on

`projectq.setups.decompositions.module.qaa_ancilla`

auxiliary qubit that helps to invert the amplitude of the “good” states

ph2r

Registers a decomposition for the controlled global phase gate.

Turns the controlled global phase gate into a (controlled) phase-shift gate. Each time this rule is applied, one control can be shaved off.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.ph2r.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.engines.
```

Decomposition rules

phaseestimation

Registers a decomposition for phase estimation.

(reference https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantum_phase_estimation_algorithm)

The Quantum Phase Estimation (QPE) executes the algorithm up to the inverse QFT included. The following steps measuring the ancillas and computing the phase should be executed outside of the QPE.

The decomposition uses as ancillas (`qpe_ancillas`) the first qubit/qureg in the Command and as system qubits teh second qubit/qureg in the Command.

The unitary operator for which the phase estimation is estimated (unitary) is the gate in Command

Example

```
# Example using a ProjectQ gate

n_qpe_ancillas = 3
qpe_ancillas = eng.allocate_qureg(n_qpe_ancillas)
system_qubits = eng.allocate_qureg(1)
angle = cmath.pi*2.*0.125
U = Ph(angle) # unitary_specfic_to_the_problem()

# Apply Quantum Phase Estimation
QPE(U) | (qpe_ancillas, system_qubits)

All(Measure) | qpe_ancillas
# Compute the phase from the ancilla measurement
```

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```

#(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantum_phase_estimation_algorithm)
phasebinlist = [int(q) for q in qpe_ancillas]
phase_in_bin = ''.join(str(j) for j in phasebinlist)
phase_int = int(phase_in_bin,2)
phase = phase_int / (2 ** n_qpe_ancillas)
print (phase)

# Example using a function (two_qubit_gate).
# Instead of applying QPE on a gate U one could provide a function

def two_qubit_gate(system_q, time):
    CNOT | (system_q[0], system_q[1])
    Ph(2.0*math.pi*(time * 0.125)) | system_q[1]
    CNOT | (system_q[0], system_q[1])

n_qpe_ancillas = 3
qpe_ancillas = eng.allocate_quireg(n_qpe_ancillas)
system_qubits = eng.allocate_quireg(2)
X | system_qubits[0]

# Apply Quantum Phase Estimation
QPE(two_qubit_gate) | (qpe_ancillas, system_qubits)

All(Measure) | qpe_ancillas
# Compute the phase from the ancilla measurement
#(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantum_phase_estimation_algorithm)
phasebinlist = [int(q) for q in qpe_ancillas]
phase_in_bin = ''.join(str(j) for j in phasebinlist)
phase_int = int(phase_in_bin,2)
phase = phase_int / (2 ** n_qpe_ancillas)
print (phase)

```

`projectq.setups.decompositions.phaseestimation.unitary`
 Unitary Operation either a ProjectQ gate or a function `f`.

Type *BasicGate*

Calling the function with the parameters `system_qubits`

Type *Qureg*) and time (integer)

i.e. `f`

Type `system_qubits`, time

with parameter time.

`projectq.setups.decompositions.phaseestimation.all_defined_decomposition_rules` = [`<projectq`
 Decomposition rules

qft2crandhadamard

Registers a decomposition rule for the quantum Fourier transform.

Decomposes the QFT gate into Hadamard and controlled phase-shift gates (R).

Warning: The final Swaps are not included, as those are simply a re-indexing of quantum registers.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.qft2crandhadamard.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.qft2crandhadamard.Decomposition rules
```

qubitop2onequbit

Registers a decomposition rule for a unitary QubitOperator to one qubit gates.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.qubitop2onequbit.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.qubitop2onequbit.Decomposition rules
```

r2rzandph

Registers a decomposition rule for the phase-shift gate.

Decomposes the (controlled) phase-shift gate using z-rotation and a global phase gate.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.r2rzandph.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.r2rzandph.Decomposition rules
```

rx2rz

Registers a decomposition for the Rx gate into an Rz gate and Hadamard.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.rx2rz.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.rx2rz.Decomposition rules
```

ry2rz

Registers a decomposition for the Ry gate into an Rz and Rx(pi/2) gate.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.ry2rz.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.ry2rz.Decomposition rules
```

rz2rx

Registers a decomposition for the Rz gate into an Rx and Ry(pi/2) or Ry(-pi/2) gate

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.rz2rx.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.rz2rx.Decomposition rules
```

sqrtswap2cnot

Registers a decomposition to achieve a SqrtSwap gate.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.sqrtswap2cnot.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.setups.decompositions.sqrtswap2cnot.Decomposition rules
```

stateprep2cnot

Registers decomposition for StatePreparation.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.stateprep2cnot.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq
    Decomposition rules
```

swap2cnot

Registers a decomposition to achieve a Swap gate.

Decomposes a Swap gate using 3 CNOT gates, where the one in the middle features as many control qubits as the Swap gate has control qubits.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.swap2cnot.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq.ceng
    Decomposition rules
```

time_evolution

Registers decomposition for the TimeEvolution gates.

An exact straight forward decomposition of a TimeEvolution gate is possible if the hamiltonian has only one term or if all the terms commute with each other in which case one can implement each term individually.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.time_evolution.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<projectq
    Decomposition rules
```

toffoli2cnotandtgate

Registers a decomposition rule for the Toffoli gate.

Decomposes the Toffoli gate using Hadamard, T, Tdag, and CNOT gates.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.toffoli2cnotandtgate.all_defined_decomposition_rules = [<pr
    Decomposition rules
```

uniformlycontrolledr2cnot

Registers decomposition for UniformlyControlledRy and UniformlyControlledRz.

```
projectq.setups.decompositions.uniformlycontrolledr2cnot.all_defined_decomposition_rules =
    Decomposition rules
```

Module contents

3.6.2 Submodules

Each of the submodules contains a setup which can be used to specify the *engine_list* used by the *MainEngine* :

projectq.setups.default

Defines the default setup which provides an *engine_list* for the *MainEngine*

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<code>projectq.setups.grid</code>	Defines a setup to compile to qubits placed in 2-D grid.
<code>projectq.setups.ibm</code>	Defines a setup allowing to compile code for the IBM quantum chips: ->Any 5 qubit devices ->the ibmq on-line simulator ->the melbourne 15 qubit device
<code>projectq.setups.ibm16</code>	Defines a setup useful for the IBM QE chip with 16 qubits.
<code>projectq.setups.linear</code>	Defines a setup to compile to qubits placed in a linear chain or a circle.
<code>projectq.setups.restrictedgateset</code>	Defines a setup to compile to a restricted gate set.

default

Defines the default setup which provides an *engine_list* for the *MainEngine*

It contains *LocalOptimizers* and an *AutoReplacer* which uses most of the decompositions rules defined in `projectq.setups.decompositions`

```
projectq.setups.default.get_engine_list()
```

grid

Defines a setup to compile to qubits placed in 2-D grid.

It provides the *engine_list* for the *MainEngine*. This engine list contains an *AutoReplacer* with most of the gate decompositions of ProjectQ, which are used to decompose a circuit into only two qubit gates and arbitrary single qubit gates. ProjectQ's *GridMapper* is then used to introduce the necessary *Swap* operations to route interacting qubits next to each other. This setup allows to choose the final gate set (with some limitations).

```
projectq.setups.grid.get_engine_list(num_rows, num_columns, one_qubit_gates='any',
                                     two_qubit_gates=(<projectq.ops._metagates.ControlledGate
                                                       object>, <projectq.ops._gates.SwapGate object>))
```

Returns an engine list to compile to a 2-D grid of qubits.

Note: If you choose a new gate set for which the compiler does not yet have standard rules, it raises an *NoGateDecompositionError* or a *RuntimeError: maximum recursion depth exceeded...* Also note that even the gate sets which work might not yet be optimized. So make sure to double check and potentially extend the decomposition rules. This implementation currently requires that the one qubit gates must contain *Rz* and at least one of *{Ry(best), Rx, H}* and the two qubit gate must contain *CNOT* (recommended) or *CZ*.

Note: Classical instructions gates such as e.g. *Flush* and *Measure* are automatically allowed.

Example

```
get_engine_list(num_rows=2, num_columns=3, one_qubit_gates=(Rz, Ry, Rx, H),
                two_qubit_gates=(CNOT,))
```

Parameters

- **num_rows** (*int*) – Number of rows in the grid
- **num_columns** (*int*) – Number of columns in the grid.

- **one_qubit_gates** – “any” allows any one qubit gate, otherwise provide a tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. X), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class (Rz), it allows all instances of this class. Default is “any”
- **two_qubit_gates** – “any” allows any two qubit gate, otherwise provide a tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. CNOT), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class, it allows all instances of this class. Default is (CNOT, Swap).

Raises `TypeError` – If input is for the gates is not “any” or a tuple.

Returns A list of suitable compiler engines.

```
projectq.setups.grid.high_level_gates (eng, cmd)
```

Remove any MathGates.

```
projectq.setups.grid.one_and_two_qubit_gates (eng, cmd)
```

ibm

Defines a setup allowing to compile code for the IBM quantum chips: ->Any 5 qubit devices ->the ibmq online simulator ->the melbourne 15 qubit device

It provides the *engine_list* for the ‘MainEngine’ based on the requested device. Decompose the circuit into a Rx/Ry/Rz/H/CNOT gate set that will be translated in the backend in the U1/U2/U3/CX gate set.

exception `projectq.setups.ibm.DeviceNotHandledError`

exception `projectq.setups.ibm.DeviceOfflineError`

```
projectq.setups.ibm.get_engine_list (token=None, device=None)
```

```
projectq.setups.ibm.list2set (coupling_list)
```

ibm16

Defines a setup useful for the IBM QE chip with 16 qubits.

It provides the *engine_list* for the *MainEngine*, and contains an *AutoReplacer* with most of the gate decompositions of ProjectQ, among others it includes:

- Controlled z-rotations -> Controlled NOTs and single-qubit rotations
- Toffoli gate -> CNOT and single-qubit gates
- m-Controlled global phases -> (m-1)-controlled phase-shifts
- Global phases -> ignore
- (controlled) Swap gates -> CNOTs and Toffolis
- Arbitrary single qubit gates -> Rz and Ry
- Controlled arbitrary single qubit gates -> Rz, Ry, and CNOT gates

Moreover, it contains *LocalOptimizers*.

```
projectq.setups.ibm16.get_engine_list ()
```

linear

Defines a setup to compile to qubits placed in a linear chain or a circle.

It provides the *engine_list* for the *MainEngine*. This engine list contains an *AutoReplacer* with most of the gate decompositions of ProjectQ, which are used to decompose a circuit into only two qubit gates and arbitrary single qubit gates. ProjectQ's *LinearMapper* is then used to introduce the necessary *Swap* operations to route interacting qubits next to each other. This setup allows to choose the final gate set (with some limitations).

```
projectq.setups.linear.get_engine_list(num_qubits, cyclic=False, one_qubit_gates='any',
                                       two_qubit_gates=(<projectq.ops._metagates.ControlledGate
                                                       object>, <projectq.ops._gates.SwapGate object>))
```

Returns an engine list to compile to a linear chain of qubits.

Note: If you choose a new gate set for which the compiler does not yet have standard rules, it raises an *NoGateDecompositionError* or a *RuntimeError: maximum recursion depth exceeded...* Also note that even the gate sets which work might not yet be optimized. So make sure to double check and potentially extend the decomposition rules. This implementation currently requires that the one qubit gates must contain *Rz* and at least one of *{Ry(best), Rx, H}* and the two qubit gate must contain *CNOT* (recommended) or *CZ*.

Note: Classical instructions gates such as e.g. *Flush* and *Measure* are automatically allowed.

Example

```
get_engine_list(num_qubits=10, cyclic=False, one_qubit_gates=(Rz, Ry, Rx, H), two_qubit_gates=(CNOT,))
```

Parameters

- **num_qubits** (*int*) – Number of qubits in the chain
- **cyclic** (*bool*) – If a circle or not. Default is *False*
- **one_qubit_gates** – “any” allows any one qubit gate, otherwise provide a tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. *X*), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class (*Rz*), it allows all instances of this class. Default is “any”
- **two_qubit_gates** – “any” allows any two qubit gate, otherwise provide a tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. *CNOT*), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class, it allows all instances of this class. Default is (*CNOT*, *Swap*).

Raises *TypeError* – If input is for the gates is not “any” or a tuple.

Returns A list of suitable compiler engines.

```
projectq.setups.linear.high_level_gates(eng, cmd)
    Remove any MathGates.
```

```
projectq.setups.linear.one_and_two_qubit_gates(eng, cmd)
```

restrictedgateset

Defines a setup to compile to a restricted gate set.

It provides the *engine_list* for the *MainEngine*. This engine list contains an AutoReplacer with most of the gate decompositions of ProjectQ, which are used to decompose a circuit into a restricted gate set (with some limitations on the choice of gates).

```
projectq.setups.restrictedgateset.default_chooser (cmd, decomposition_list)
```

```
projectq.setups.restrictedgateset.get_engine_list (one_qubit_gates='any',
                                                    two_qubit_gates=(<projectq.ops._metagates.ControlledGate
                                                                object>, ), other_gates=(), com-
                                                                piler_chooser=<function      de-
                                                                fault_chooser>)
```

Returns an engine list to compile to a restricted gate set.

Note: If you choose a new gate set for which the compiler does not yet have standard rules, it raises an *NoGateDecompositionError* or a *RuntimeError: maximum recursion depth exceeded...* Also note that even the gate sets which work might not yet be optimized. So make sure to double check and potentially extend the decomposition rules. This implementation currently requires that the one qubit gates must contain Rz and at least one of {Ry(best), Rx, H} and the two qubit gate must contain CNOT (recommended) or CZ.

Note: Classical instructions gates such as e.g. Flush and Measure are automatically allowed.

Example

```
get_engine_list(one_qubit_gates=(Rz, Ry, Rx, H), two_qubit_gates=(CNOT,),
                other_gates=(TimeEvolution,))
```

Parameters

- **one_qubit_gates** – “any” allows any one qubit gate, otherwise provide a tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. X), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class (Rz), it allows all instances of this class. Default is “any”
- **two_qubit_gates** – “any” allows any two qubit gate, otherwise provide a tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. CNOT), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class, it allows all instances of this class. Default is (CNOT,).
- **other_gates** – A tuple of the allowed gates. If the gates are instances of a class (e.g. QFT), it allows all gates which are equal to it. If the gate is a class, it allows all instances of this class.
- **compiler_chooser** – function selecting the decomposition to use in the Autoreplacer engine

Raises `TypeError` – If input for the gates is not “any” or a tuple. Also if element within tuple is not a class or instance of `BasicGate` (e.g. CRz which is a shortcut function)

Returns A list of suitable compiler engines.

```
projectq.setups.restrictedgateset.high_level_gates (eng, cmd)
    Remove any MathGates.
```

```
projectq.setups.restrictedgateset.one_and_two_qubit_gates (eng, cmd)
```

3.6.3 Module contents

3.7 types

The types package contains quantum types such as Qubit, Qureg, and WeakQubitRef. With further development of the math library, also quantum integers, quantum fixed point numbers etc. will be added.

<code>projectq.types.BasicQubit(engine, idx)</code>	BasicQubit objects represent qubits.
<code>projectq.types.Qubit(engine, idx)</code>	Qubit class.
<code>projectq.types.Qureg</code>	Quantum register class.
<code>projectq.types.WeakQubitRef(engine, idx)</code>	WeakQubitRef objects are used inside the Command object.

3.7.1 Module contents

class `projectq.types.BasicQubit` (*engine, idx*)
BasicQubit objects represent qubits.

They have an id and a reference to the owning engine.

`__init__` (*engine, idx*)
Initialize a BasicQubit object.

Parameters

- **engine** – Owning engine / engine that created the qubit
- **idx** – Unique index of the qubit referenced by this qubit

class `projectq.types.Qubit` (*engine, idx*)
Qubit class.

Represents a (logical-level) qubit with a unique index provided by the MainEngine. Once the qubit goes out of scope (and is garbage-collected), it deallocates itself automatically, allowing automatic resource management.

Thus the qubit is not copyable; only returns a reference to the same object.

class `projectq.types.Qureg`
Quantum register class.

Simplifies accessing measured values for single-qubit registers (no []- access necessary) and enables pretty-printing of general quantum registers (call `Qureg.__str__(qureg)`).

engine
Return owning engine.

class `projectq.types.WeakQubitRef` (*engine, idx*)
WeakQubitRef objects are used inside the Command object.

Qubits feature automatic deallocation when destroyed. WeakQubitRefs, on the other hand, do not share this feature, allowing to copy them and pass them along the compiler pipeline, while the actual qubit objects may be garbage-collected (and, thus, cleaned up early). Otherwise there is no difference between a WeakQubitRef and a Qubit object.

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