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OPTICAL PROCESSING

A coherent Ising machine for 2000-node optimization problems

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The analysis and optimization of complex systems can be reduced to mathematical problems collectively known as combinatorial optimization. Many such problems can be mapped onto ground-state search problems of the Ising model, and various artificial spin systems are now emerging as promising approaches. However, physical Ising machines have suffered from limited numbers of spin-spin couplings because of implementations based on localized spins, resulting in severe scalability problems. We report a 2000-spin network with all-to-all spin-spin couplings. Using a measurement and feedback scheme, we coupled time-multiplexed degenerate optical parametric oscillators to implement maximum cut problems on arbitrary graph topologies with up to 2000 nodes. Our coherent Ising machine outperformed simulated annealing in terms of accuracy and computation time for a 2000-node complete graph.

ombinatorial optimization is an important task for various applications such as drug discovery, resource optimization in wireless networks, and machine learning (1). Many such problems are known to be nondeterministic polynomial time (NP)-hard or NP-complete problems, which are considered difficult to solve efficiently with modern digital com-

puters. Several heuristic or "greedy" algorithms have been proposed in the field of computer science to find the optimal or near-optimal solutions to those problems. Among such algorithms, simulated annealing (SA) has performed well in solving various types of combinatorial optimization problems (2). It is known that combinatorial optimization problems can be mapped onto ground-state search problems of the Ising model with polynomial resources (3). Several approaches have been proposed and demonstrated to find solutions to Ising problems using networks of artificial spins based on various physical systems (4–7).

A coherent Ising machine (CIM) is one such artificial Ising machine, in which a laser (8) or a degenerate optical parametric oscillator (DOPO) (9) represents an artificial spin. This proposal was motivated by early studies on the quantum behaviors of a DOPO (10–14), and proof-of-principle CIM experiments have already been reported using time-multiplexed DOPOs (15, 16). To date, physical Ising machines (4–7) have suffered from a limited number of spin-spin couplings due to localized spin implementations. For example, in a recent quantum annealing system based on 1152 superconducting qubits, the number of spin-spin couplings was 3360, constrained by the chimera graph structure (17). This limited number of spinspin couplings has made it difficult to map various real-world optimization problems to the hardware. Here, we report a CIM that consists of 2048 DOPOs with full spin-spin couplings. A measurement and feedback (MFB) scheme enabled us to implement all possible connections among 2048 spins, which amounts to 2,096,128 spin-spin couplings, making it possible to solve arbitrary graph problems.

An Ising Hamiltonian without an external magnetic field is given by

$$H(\sigma) = -\sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j \quad (1 \le i, j \le N) \qquad (1)$$

(18), where $\sigma_i \in \{-1,+1\}$ denotes the *i*th Ising spin, J_{ii} is the interaction strength between the *i*th and *i*th spins, and *N* is the total number of spins. The Ising machines described above are designed to find the ground state or low-energy states of the Ising Hamiltonian. A DOPO takes only a 0 or π phase relative to the pump phase above the threshold, so it can be used as a stable artificial spin realized with photonics technologies (19-22). A CIM solves the Ising problem according to the minimum-gain principle (8). According to this principle, if the optical couplings between the DOPOs are adjusted to implement $\{J_{ij}\}$, the DOPO network oscillates in the phase configuration with the lowest loss, which corresponds to the ground state of the Ising Hamiltonian in Eq. 1.

The size of the problem that a CIM can handle is determined by the number of DOPOs and their couplings. Delayed interferometers were used to couple the DOPOs in the previous CIM experiments (15, 16); however, this scheme does not scale as the problems become more complex. To avoid this issue, Haribara *et al.* proposed an MFB scheme that makes it possible to couple any combination of N DOPOs (23).

Figure 1 shows a schematic of a CIM with MFB (24). The CIM uses a periodically poled lithium niobate (PPLN) waveguide, which is placed in a

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1-km fiber cavity, as a phase-sensitive amplifier (PSA) that amplifies only the 0 or π phase components relative to the pump phase (*25, 26*). Other components in the 1-km fiber cavity include a 9:1 coupler (coupler 1) for extracting the DOPO pulses for balanced homodyne detection (BHD), a 1-km dispersion-shifted fiber, and another 9:1 coupler

(coupler 2) for injecting feedback signal pulses. When we start pumping the PSA, quadrature-squeezed noise pulses are generated as a result of spontaneous parametric downconversion. The noise pulses undergo repeated phase-sensitive amplification, which leads to the formation of DOPO pulses. Because the cavity round-trip time is 5 μ s



Fig. 1. Setup of a coherent Ising machine (CIM) with measurement and feedback (MFB). IM, intensity modulator; EDFA, erbium-doped fiber amplifier; SHG, second harmonic generation; FS, piezo-based fiber stretcher; DSF, dispersion-shifted fiber.

and the pump pulse interval is 1 ns, the cavity can accommodate a maximum of 5082 DOPOs, of which 2048 DOPOs are used as Ising spins (henceforth "signal DOPOs"). Another 2834 DOPOs, which we call "training DOPOs," are always being oscillated and are used to obtain error signals for phaselocking the 1-km fiber cavity, the local oscillator for the BHD and the coupling pulses (24). As a result, we can perform sequential computations stably for a few seconds. The remaining 200 DOPOs are turned off (i.e., the pump pulses are turned off at the corresponding time slots) to separate the signal and training DOPO pulses.

To perform a computation, we turn the signal DOPOs on and off by controlling the power of the pump pulses for the signal DOPOs in a 5-ms period (fig. S2A). During the computation, the inphase components $\{\tilde{c}_i\}$ of the signal DOPOs from coupler 1 are measured using the BHD for every circulation of the DOPOs in the cavity. The power of the local oscillator for the BHD is 2.5 mW, with which the shot noise power is ~8 dB larger than the thermal noise power, and thus a shot noisedominant coherent measurement is achieved. The measured $\{\tilde{c}_i\}$ is supplied to a field-programmable gate array (FPGA) module. The given problem, specified by the spin-spin interaction terms $\{J_{ij}\}$ (a 2048 × 2048 adjacency matrix), is input in advance into the FPGA module. The current FPGA module only accepts J_{ii} values of $\{-1, 0, 1\}$. With $\{\tilde{c}_i\}$ and $\{J_{ij}\}$, the FPGA module calculates the feedback signal to the *i*th pulse $f_i = -r \sum_j J_{ij} \tilde{c}_j$ for every DOPO circulation, where r denotes a constant that determines the coupling strength and was set at ~0.01 in the following experiments. A push-pull modulator imposes the feedback signal f_i on the coupling pulses, which are extracted from the pump pulses. Then, the modulated coupling



Fig. 2. DOPO time evolutions when solving the MAX-CUT problem for complete graph K₂₀₀₀. (A) Histogram of 2000 signal DOPO time evolutions. (B) Inphase component dynamics of the 50 sampled DOPOs. Inset shows the magnification of the area outlined by the red rectangle.



Fig. 3. Cut values obtained for the MAX-CUT problem on 2000-node graphs with the CIM, SA, and GW-SDP. Best known refers to the highest cut value yet reported with a conventional algorithm.

pulses are launched into the cavity through coupler 2 so that a coupling pulse that conveys f_i is injected into the *i*th DOPO. Note that this MFB sequence is repeated throughout the entire computational sequence. With the current FPGA module, it takes about ~60 s to transfer the problem matrix and the computation result data between the FPGA module and the computer, because of the use of a slow serial communication interface (RS-232C) that is the only available port in the module. The data transfer time can be much shorter than the computation trial time if we make use of high-speed interfaces (24).

We studied the computational accuracy of the CIM and compared it with SA run on a single core of an Intel Xeon X5650 (2.67 GHz) processor for 2000-node graphs. With the CIM and SA, we solved maximum-cut (MAX-CUT) problems (24) for three types of 2000-node undirected graphs: G22, G39, and K₂₀₀₀. G22 and G39 are sparsely connected graphs taken from the G-set (27). G22 is a random graph with a 1% edge density, and G39 is a scalefree graph in which the node degree distribution follows power-law scaling. K₂₀₀₀ is a fully connected complete graph with 1,999,000 undirected edges, which is randomly weighted by $\{-1, +1\}$. These three instances were randomly constructed with a machine-independent graph generator (28). We also solved the same graphs using the semidefinite programming relaxation algorithm proposed by Goemans and Williamson (GW-SDP), because this algorithm guarantees to deliver solutions to MAX-CUT problems with an expected value of at least 87.8% of the optimal value (29). We used the cut values obtained by GW-SDP as an index for the computational accuracy.

An example of the temporal evolution of the signal DOPO amplitudes observed while solving the K_{2000} graph is shown in Fig. 2A, which portrays the cooperative behavior of the DOPOs leading to the final stable states after frequent changes of their signs at the beginning of the computation. To show the detailed dynamics of each signal DOPO, we plot the measured in-phase components \tilde{c}_i of 50 of the 2000 signal DOPOs in Fig. 2B. As shown in the inset of Fig. 2B, we observed the evolution of the DOPO amplitudes searching for a lower-energy state almost immediately after the pumping started; the dynamics was com-





plex, especially in the first 200 circulations. This result confirmed a reduction in the Ising energy (fig. S4).

Using the CIM, we performed 100 sequential computations for MAX-CUT on the three graphs. The cut values obtained with the CIM and SA for each graph are summarized in Fig. 3. Here, the final DOPO states for each computation trial were stably recorded sequentially 100 times, thanks to the phase stabilization of the optical system. The SA result was obtained in 50 ms for each trial without the data read and write time. With GW-SDP, a computation trial took about 1 s. For all three graphs, the CIM achieved larger cut values than those obtained by GW-SDP, which confirmed that a physical system based on the CIM concept successfully worked to find solutions to the largescale Ising problems with as many as 2000 spins. SA produced better values than the CIM when solving sparse graphs G22 and G39, as confirmed by the cut histograms in Fig. 3. In contrast, the cut obtained by the CIM for the K₂₀₀₀ graph exceeded that obtained by SA with one-tenth of the computation time needed for SA.

We then compared the computation time needed to find an approximate solution for the MAX-CUT of the K_{2000} graph. Because the exact solution of this problem is not known, we cannot evaluate the computation time to find the optimal solution. Hence, we measured the computation times needed with the CIM and SA to reach the target Ising energy obtained with GW-SDP, namely -60,278 (or 29,619 cuts). The temporal evolution curves for the CIM and SA are shown in Fig. 4 by

blue and black curves, respectively. Here, we performed the computation 100 times; the curves indicating the shortest times needed to reach the target energy are shown for both the CIM and SA. The times needed to reach the target Ising energy were about 70 μ s for the CIM and 3.2 ms for SA, implying that the CIM could obtain the benchmark Ising energy more quickly than with SA by a factor of nearly 50. This result suggests that a CIM can outperform SA on a CPU when solving dense graph problems.

According to the numerical study of Maruo *et al.* (*14*), the formation of a superposed state is observed when an optically coupled CIM is operated in the shot noise–limited regime. This suggests that the CIM may exhibit quantum behavior, although experimental confirmation is yet to be achieved. A more detailed discussion on the quantumness of the CIM is provided in (*24*).

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Universal space-time scaling symmetry in the dynamics of bosons across a quantum phase transition

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The dynamics of many-body systems spanning condensed matter, cosmology, and beyond are hypothesized to be universal when the systems cross continuous phase transitions. The universal dynamics are expected to satisfy a scaling symmetry of space and time with the crossing rate, inspired by the Kibble-Zurek mechanism. We test this symmetry based on Bose condensates in a shaken optical lattice. Shaking the lattice drives condensates across an effectively ferromagnetic quantum phase transition. After crossing the critical point, the condensates manifest delayed growth of spin fluctuations and develop antiferromagnetic spatial correlations resulting from the sub-Poisson distribution of the spacing between topological defects. The fluctuations and correlations are invariant in scaled space-time coordinates, in support of the scaling symmetry of quantum critical dynamics.

ritical phenomena near a continuous phase transition reveal fascinating connections between seemingly disparate systems that can be described via the same universal principles. Such systems can be found in the contexts of superfluid helium (1), liquid crystals (2), biological cell membranes (3), the early universe (4), and cold atoms (5, 6). An important universal prediction is the power-law scaling of the topological defect density with the rate of crossing a critical point, as first discussed by T. Kibble in cosmology (4) and extended by W. Zurek in the context of condensed matter (1). Their theory, known as the Kibble-Zurek mechanism, has been the subject of intense experimental study that has largely supported the scaling laws (7). Recent theoretical works further propose the so-called universality hypothesis, according to which the collective dynamics across a critical point should be invariant in the space and time coordinates that scale with the Kibble-Zurek power law (8-10).

Atomic quantum gases provide a clean, wellcharacterized, and controlled platform for studying critical dynamics (*6*, *11*, *12*). They have enabled experiments on the formation of topological defects across the Bose-Einstein condensation transition (*13–16*) as well as critical dynamics across quantum phase transitions (*17–23*). Recent experiments using cold atoms in shaken optical lattices (*24–26*) have provided a vehicle for exploring phase transitions in spin models (*27–29*).

Here we study the critical dynamics of Bose condensates in a shaken optical lattice near an effectively ferromagnetic quantum phase transition. The transition occurs when we ramp the shaking amplitude across a critical value, causing the atomic population to bifurcate into two pseudospinor ground states (28). We measure the growth of spin fluctuations and the spatial spin correlations for ramping rates varied over two orders of magnitude. Beyond the critical point, we observe delayed development of ferromagnetic spin domains with long-range antiferromagnetic correlations due to the bunching of the domain sizes, which is not expected in a thermal distribution of ferromagnets. The times and lengths characterizing the critical dynamics agree with the scaling predicted by the Kibble-Zurek mechanism. The measured fluctuations and correlations collapse onto single curves in scaled space and time coordinates, supporting the universality hypothesis.

Our experiments use elongated three-dimensional (3D) Bose-Einstein condensates (BECs) of cesium atoms. We optically confine the condensates with trap frequencies of $(\omega_{x'}, \omega_{y'}, \omega_z) = 2\pi \times (12, 30, 70)$

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Taking the pulse of optimization

Finding the optimum solution of multiparameter or multifunctional problems is important across many disciplines, but it can be computationally intensive. Many such problems defined as computationally difficult can be mathematically mapped onto the so-called Ising problem, which looks at finding the minimum energy configuration for an array of coupled spins. Inagaki *et al.* and McMahon *et al.* show that an optical processing approach based on a network of coupled optical pulses in a ring fiber can be used to model and optimize large-scale Ising systems. Such a scalable architecture could help to optimize solutions to a wide range of complex problems. *Science*, this issue pp. 603 and 614

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