

Quantum Machine Learning and Optimization on Real Devices

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4/7	Unit 1: Understanding Quantum Information and Computation	John Watrous	6/9	Unit 8: Introduction to Qiskit Runtime and Primitives (Live only + recording will be shared later)	Ikko, Kifumi, Yuri
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5/29 (Mon)	Unit 7: Quantum Fourier-Transformation and Phase Estimation	Tamiya Onodera			

Introductory courses

Quantum Algorithms

Quantum Applications


Quantum Error Mitigation

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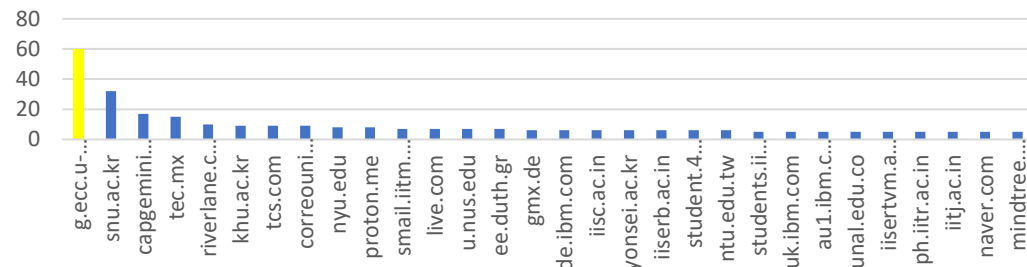
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Total students:
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Weekly Homework: Submit to ITC-LMS

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May TBD	Bonus Assignment I: Earn at least one badge from participating in IBM Quantum Challenge Spring 2023	OPTIONAL 			

IBM Quantum Challenge 2023 Top 30 Institutes



Introduction to Near-Term Quantum Information (2024)

Plan for 2024

- Half: utility-level course

My personal view

- NISQ vs. near-term
ノイズ有中規模 vs. 近々・短期
- Even in Error-Correction age, QC will be still noisy

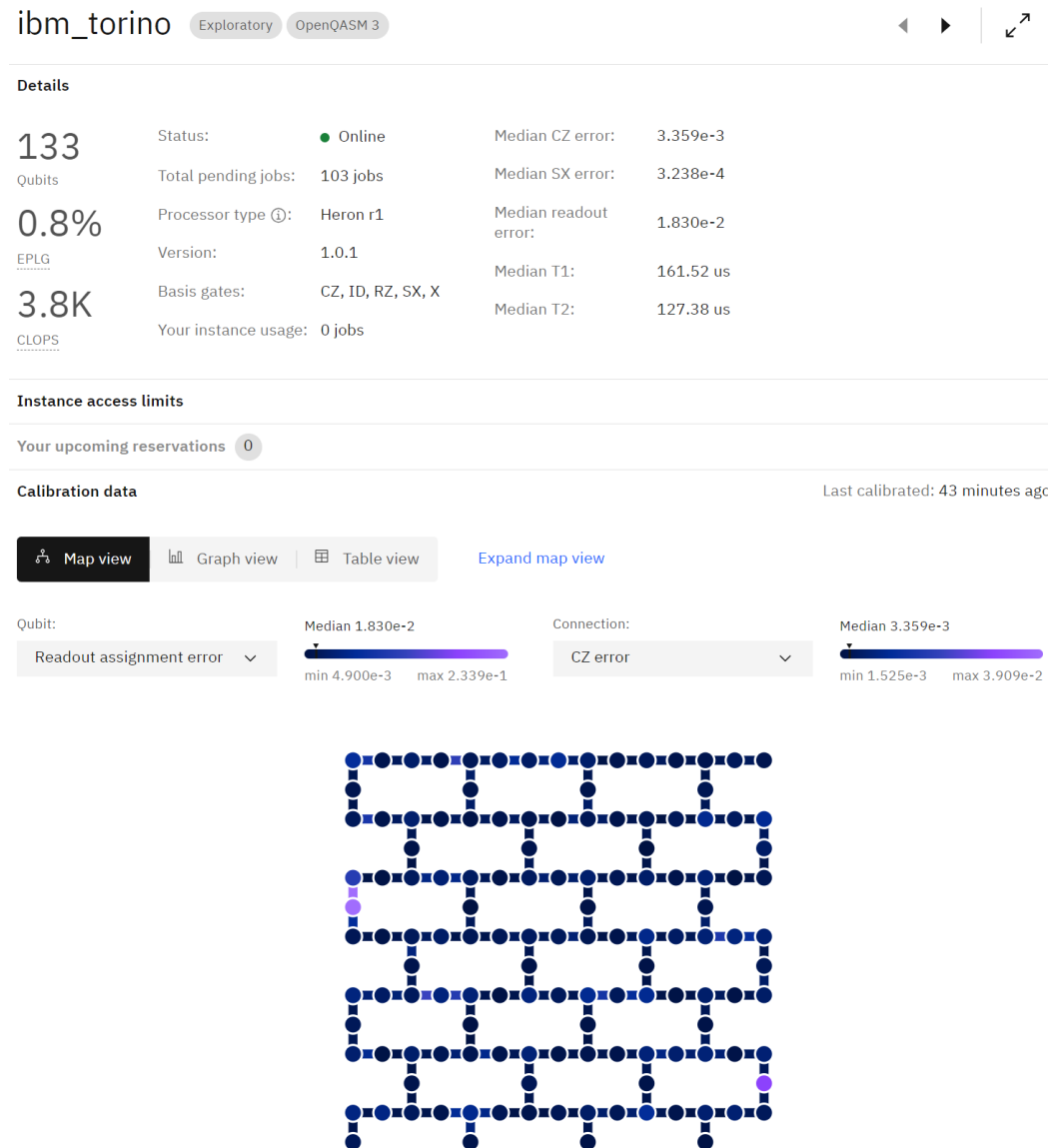
Ex. 2 papers from Nature:

Google's 'supremacy' paper (2019)
random quantum circuit sampling:

53qubit, XEB $\approx 0.1\%$

Quera's 'error detecting' paper (2023)
on IQP sampling circuits:

48logical qubit, XEB ≈ 0.1



https://quantum.ibm.com/services/resources?tab=systems&view=table&limit=50&system=ibm_torino

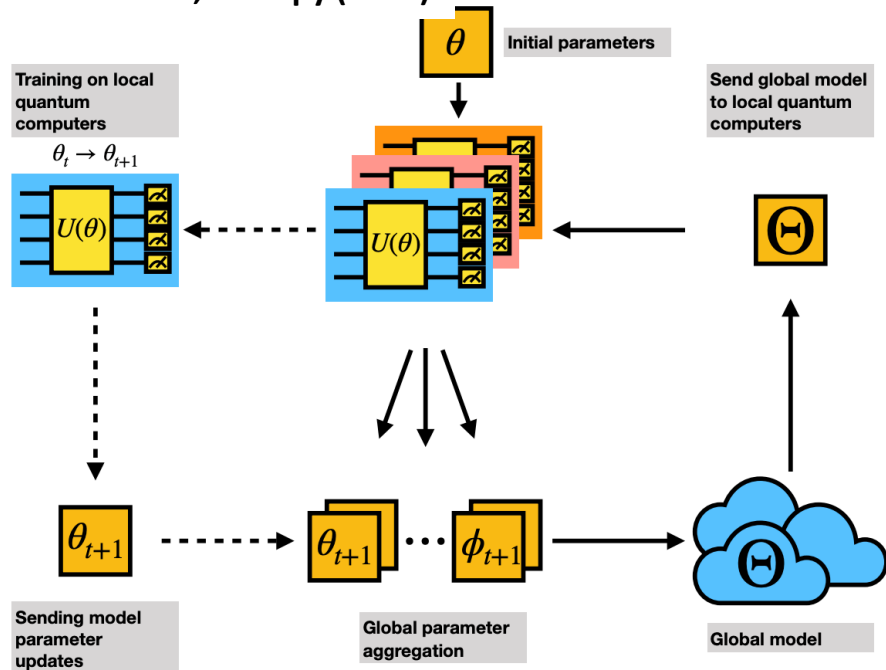
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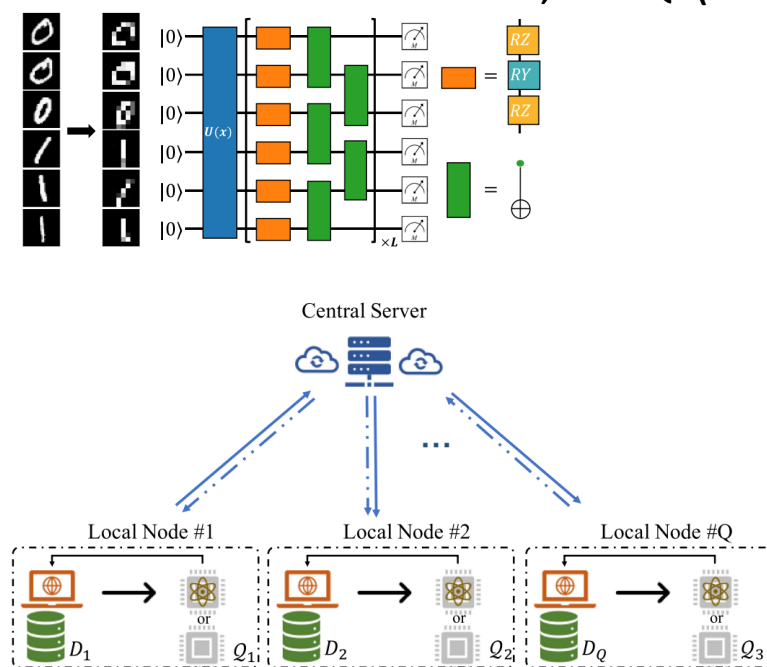
Previous Work: Distributed Variational Quantum Algorithms and Our Contributions

Training instances: $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$ and parameters: $|\theta| = M$

Chen and Yoo, Entropy (2021)



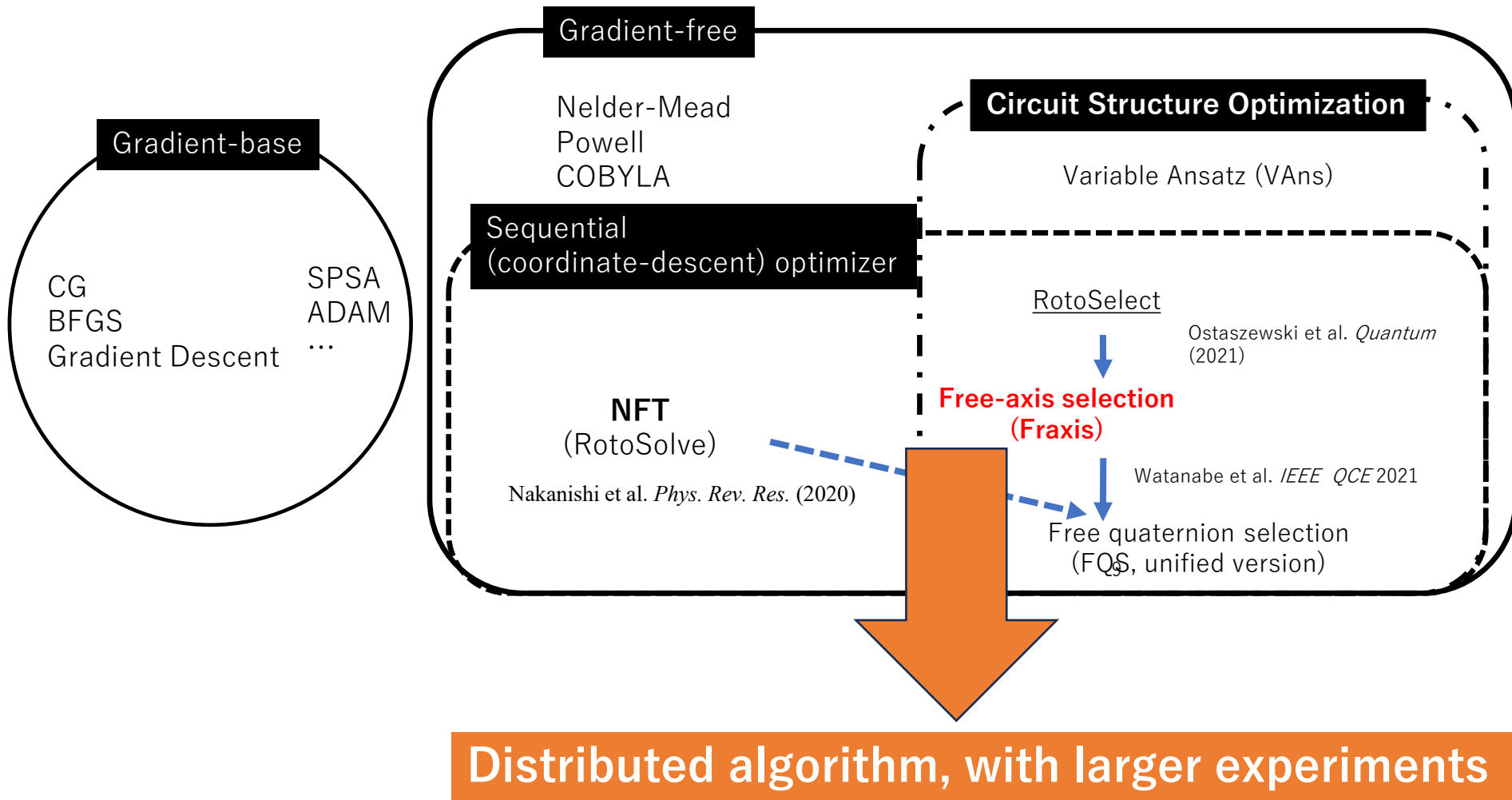
Du et al. , IEEE TQE (2022)



Our Contributions

- Devise a **distributed** coordinate descent algorithm with Free-axis selection (Fraxis)
- Experimental verifying its efficacy on IBM Quantum devices, including large ones

Optimizers for Parametrized Quantum Circuits



Gradient-free sequential optimizer can be better

From: K. M. Nakanishi, K. Fujii, and S. Todo (NFT), Sequential minimal optimization for quantum-classical hybrid algorithms, Physical Review Research 2, 043158 (2020)

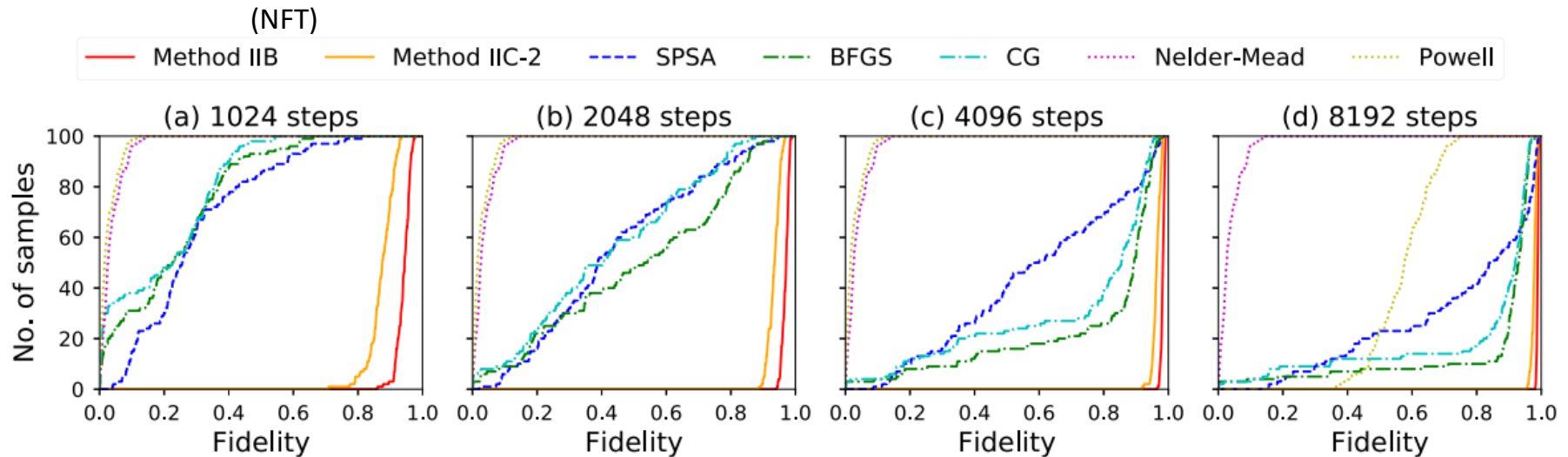


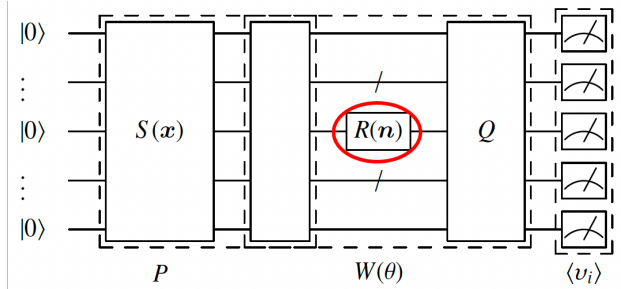
FIG. 3. Cumulative distribution function of fidelity after 1024, 2048, 4096, and 8192 steps in task 1. Method IIB is denoted by the solid red (dark gray) lines. Method IIC-2 is denoted by the solid orange (light gray) lines. The horizontal axes are the fidelity $|\langle 0|^{\otimes r} U^\dagger(\theta^*) U(\theta) |0\rangle^{\otimes r}|^2$. The vertical axis shows the number of samples whose fidelity is under the value of x axis at particular steps.

In its conclusion,

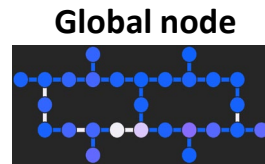
‘By numerical simulations, we demonstrate that our method converges to a better solution much faster than the existing ones.’

Coordinate-descent direction is simple/nice

Data parallelization via distributed coordinate descent

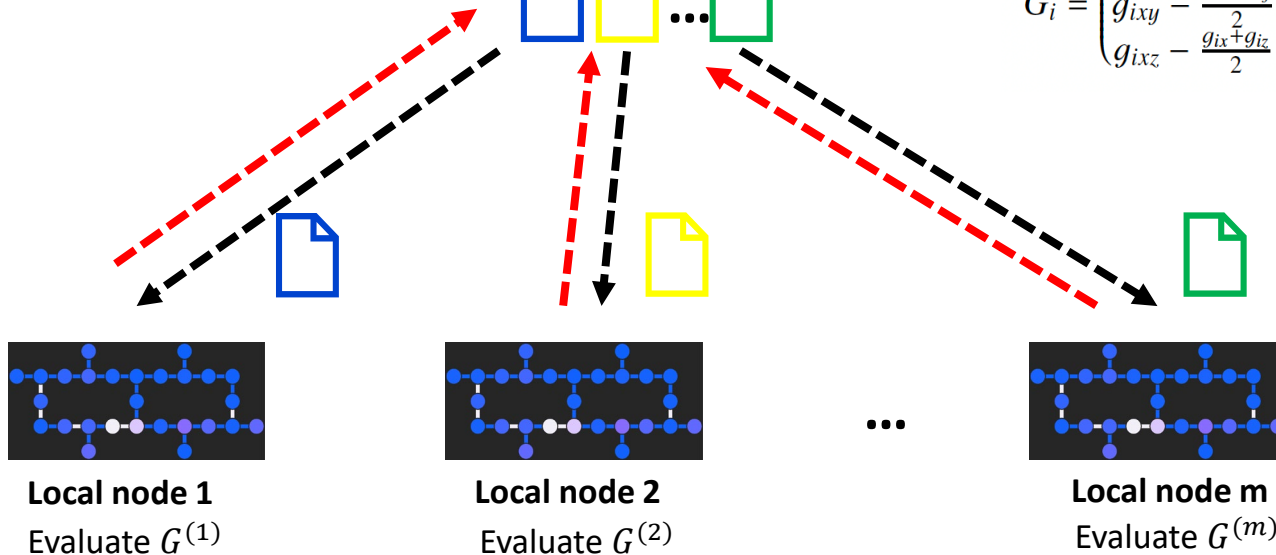


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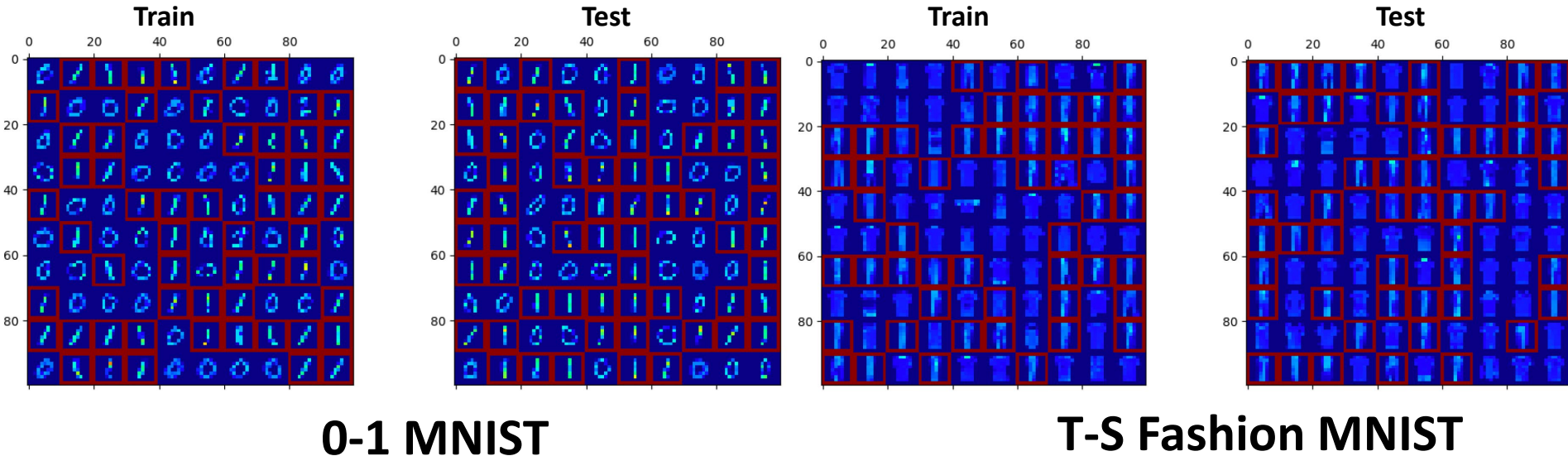
The optimal axis minimizing $L = -\sum_i y_i \langle v_i \rangle$ is the eigensystem of $G = -\sum_i y_i G_i = G^{(1)} + \dots + G^{(m)}$

$$G_i = \begin{pmatrix} g_{ix} & g_{ixy} - \frac{g_{ix} + g_{iy}}{2} & g_{ixz} - \frac{g_{ix} + g_{iz}}{2} \\ g_{ixy} - \frac{g_{ix} + g_{iy}}{2} & g_{iy} & g_{iyz} - \frac{g_{iy} + g_{iz}}{2} \\ g_{ixz} - \frac{g_{ix} + g_{iz}}{2} & g_{iyz} - \frac{g_{iy} + g_{iz}}{2} & g_{iz} \end{pmatrix}$$



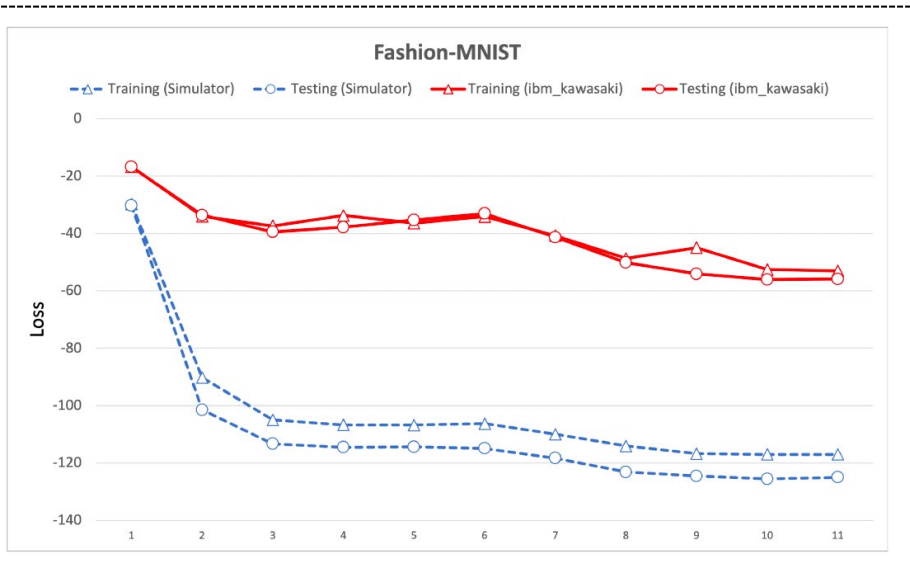
almost linear speed-up

Experiments: Datasets

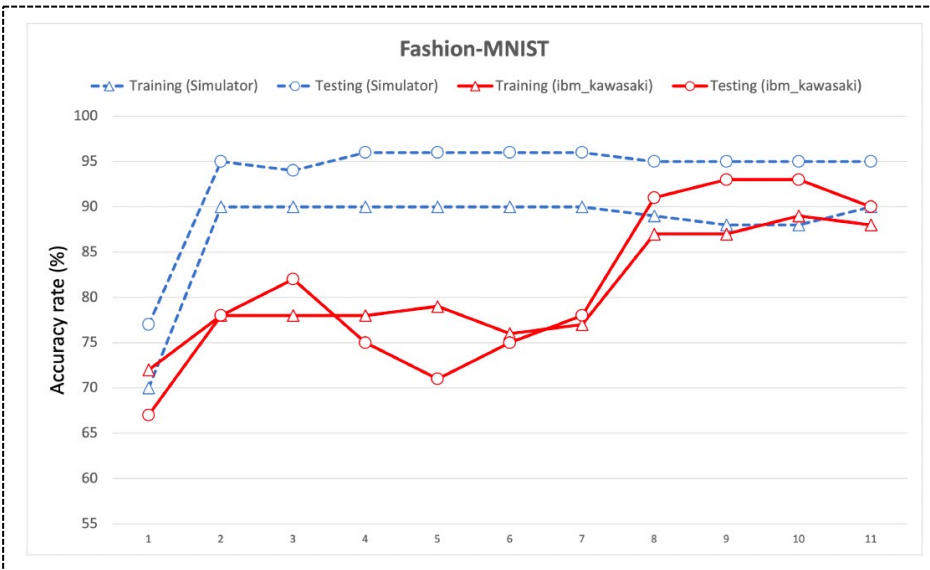


- 28 x 28 grayscale images are transformed into 8 x 8 images by OpenCV
- 100 images for train and test
- MNIST: slightly imbalanced (57, 62), Fashion MNIST: balanced

Experiments: Fashion MNIST



On `ibm_kawasaki` (9x3), we confirmed similar patterns of training/testing loss with perfect simulators.



On `ibm_kawasaki` (9x3), we saw accuracies on real devices were initially lower but became better with the number of updates

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Quantum-Relaxation Based Optimization Algorithm

- **MaxCut problem** $\max_{x \in \{-1, +1\}^{|V(G)|}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{e_{i,j} \in E(G)} (1 - x_i x_j)$

(cf) problem Hamiltonian in QAOA [4]

$$H := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{e_{i,j} \in E(G)} (I - \mathbf{Z}_i \mathbf{Z}_j)$$

- **Algorithm**

1. Convert the problem into a **relaxed Hamiltonian**.

$$H_{relax} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{e_{i,j} \in E(G)} (I - 3P_i P_j) \quad (P_i \in \{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Z}\})$$

Quantum Random Access Codes (QRAC) is used to encode three classical bits into a single qubit by using not only the **Pauli Z** operator but also **Pauli X and Y** operators

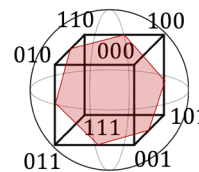
2. Search for the maximum eigenstate (**relaxed state**) with variational methods.

more QRACs!

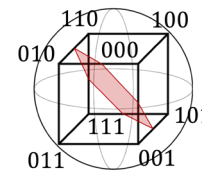
✂ In typical quantum optimizers such as QAOA [4] or VQE [5], found state corresponds to the solution to the original problem.

3. Perform a **quantum state rounding** algorithm to extract classical solution from the relaxed state.

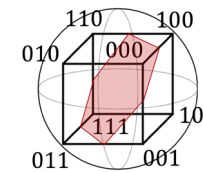
- For each qubit, choose the measurement basis randomly from the following four types, and decode the encoded three bits simultaneously.



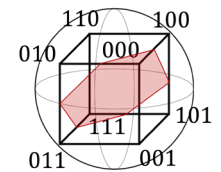
000 or
111



100 or
011



010 or
101



110 or
001

- Repeat this procedure and output the best solution.

Quantum power is expected to provide better solutions!

Result 1: Better Approximation Ratio

Trade-off

Trade-off

Decoding success prob.	Space compression ratio	Approximation ratio
1.0	1.0x	(1.0)
0.85	2.0x	0.625
0.79	3.0x	0.555
0.908	1.5x	0.722 Our result (3,2)-QRAC

Our result

Formulate a quantum relaxation using (3,2)-QRAC

Prove that the approximation ratio is 0.722...

✂ Assumption

(Relaxed state energy) \geq (classical MaxCut value)

(No need to obtain maximum eigenstate)

Conjecture (Open)

r : space compression ratio

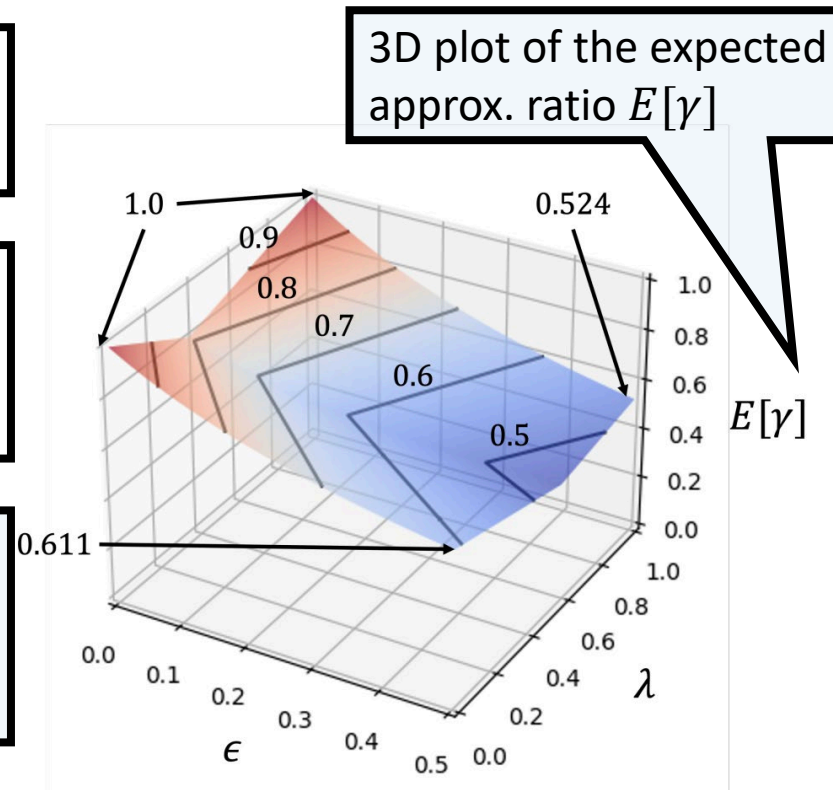
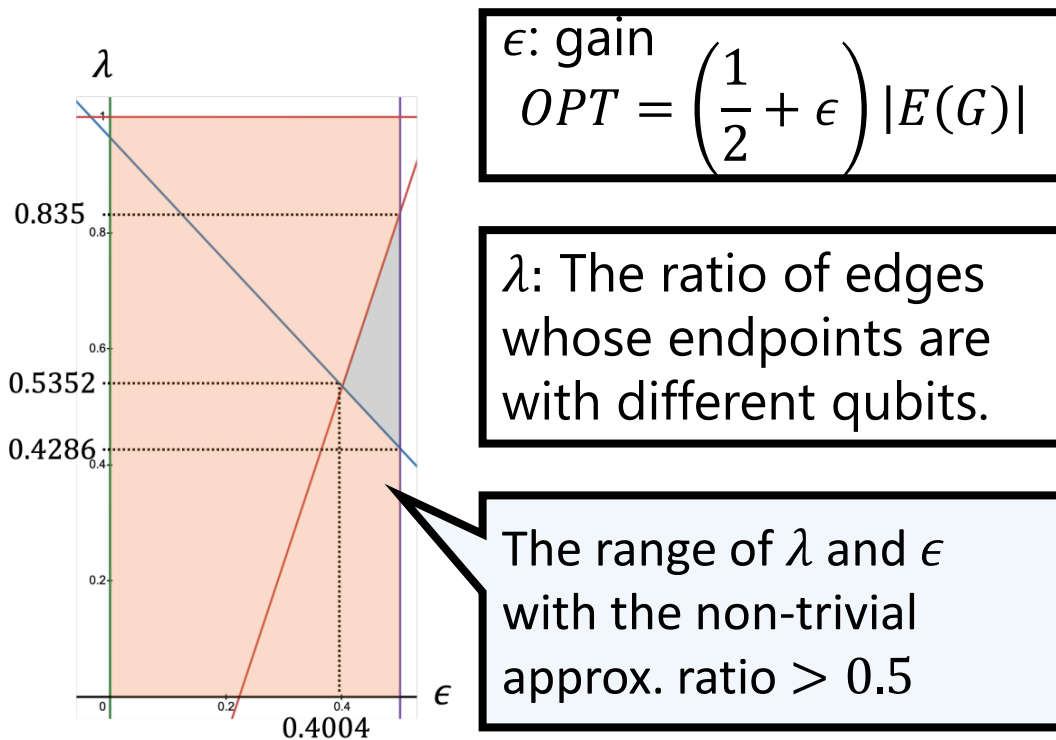
Approximation ratio seems to be

$$\frac{1}{2}(1 + r^{-2})$$

Result 2: Space Compression Ratio Preservation

Our result

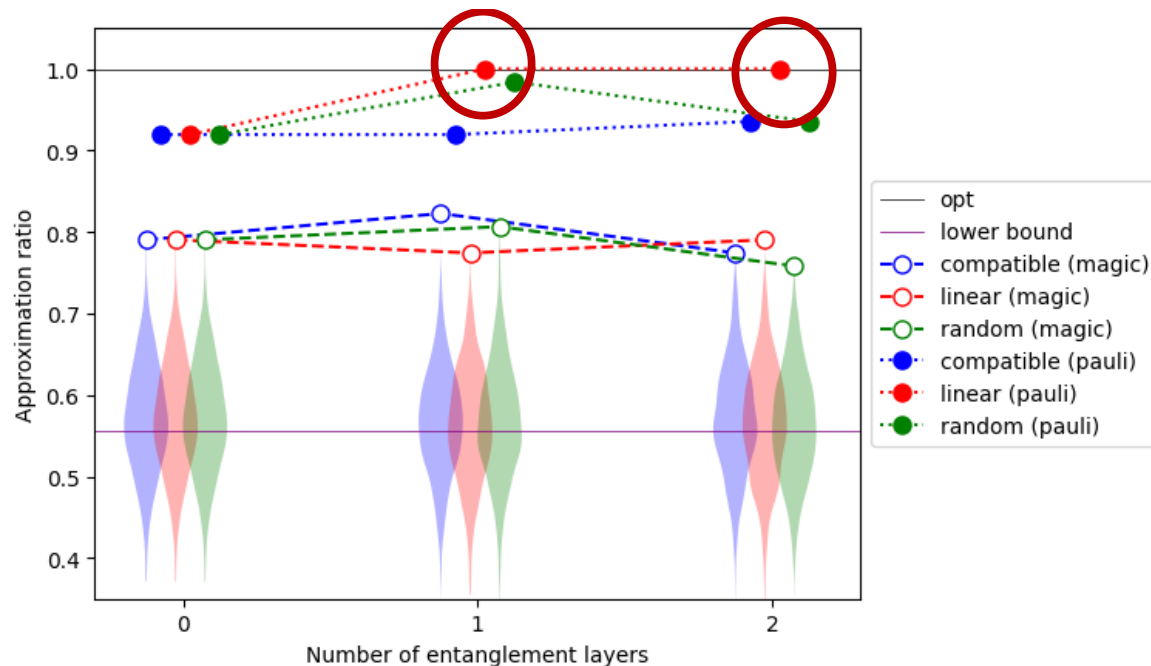
- Formulate a new quantum relaxation whose space compression ratio is always $2x$ (and some more constants > 2)
- Finding cases with merits of having the expected approx. ratio $> 1/2$



Recent experimental extensions of Quantum Random Access Optimization (QRAO) <https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.09481>

Experimental Analysis by Simulation (poster@QIP23)

- Analyze the performance of quantum relaxation by simulation
- Though quantumness (entanglement) does not always improve the result, there exists some instances whose optimal solutions are found with the help of quantumness
- Unweighted: 17-21%
- Weighted: 18-20%



(e.g.) one of the instances (46 nodes)

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Solving Not-All-Equal 3SAT using Quantum Random Access Optimization

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Outline

- Not-All-Equal (NAE-3SAT) Problem
- Transforming NAE-3SAT to Max-Cut
- Experiments and Results
- Conclusion and Future Work

Not-All-Equal 3SAT Problem

The NAE-3SAT problem [1] is a combinatorial optimization problem, which is the same as the regular 3SAT problem, except that it has an additional constraint:

- For each clause, we cannot have all variables evaluate to True at the same time.

For example, for the following (very simple) CNF: $x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg x_3$

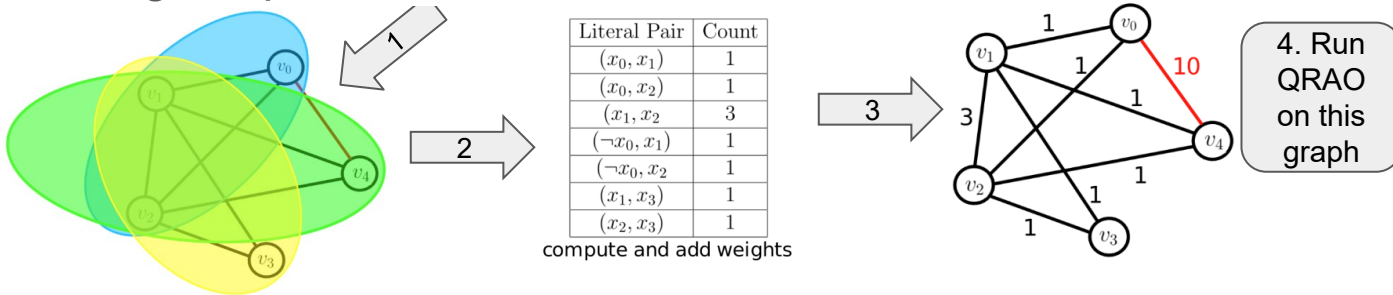
- $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 1, x_3 = 0$ would not be a correct solution because all literals evaluate to 1
- However, $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0$ would be a correct solution.

Why NAE-3SAT?

- Variant of the famous 3-SAT Problem
- Interesting Property: It can be reduced to the Max-Cut Problem
- It can be interpreted as a Constraint Satisfaction Problem (CSP)
- While quantum computers can solve unconstrained binary optimization problems, implementing constraints into quantum computers is not an easy task, and this is a nice first step towards solving constrained problems using variational quantum algorithms.
- To my knowledge this the first implementation of solving a constraint problem using Quantum Random Access Optimization and using the ground state energy value for predicting un/satisfiability.

Transforming NAE-3SAT to Max-Cut

The Max-Cut problem can be solved using Quantum Random Access Optimization. Here is an example of a graph, and setting the per



Note: A CNF of n variables and m clauses will be transformed into a graph of at most $2*n$ nodes and at most $3*m + n$ edges.

Experiments and Results

(ibmq_qasm_simulator)

1. Solve 38 random Not-All-Equal satisfiable CNFs using QAOA and QRAO
2. Use QRAO to classify 500 random CNFs into “satisfiable” or “unsatisfiable” based on the obtained energy value. (Lemma: If the cut value is lower than some threshold, then we know for sure that the CNF is not satisfiable with the Not-All-Equal constraint)

theoretical max-cut value \nwarrow compute before VQE \nearrow weights in the graph \nearrow number of clauses

$$\text{TMCV} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{(i,j) \in E} W_{ij} + C + M|\text{NEGVAR}| \right)$$

\searrow number of variables such that both the variable and its negation appear in the CNF

\downarrow We can infer unsatisfiability from the energy value alone (no need for rounding)

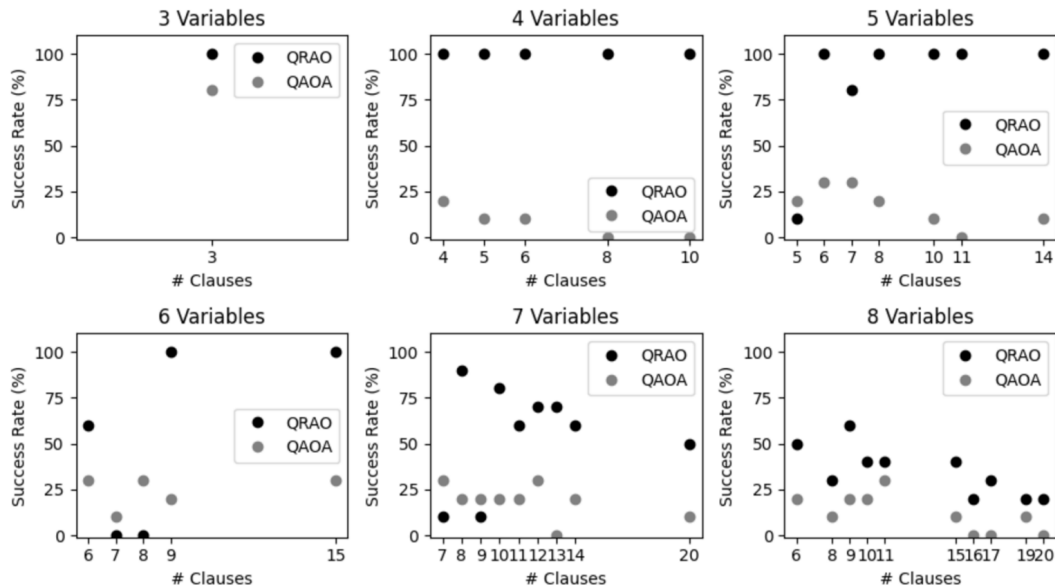
computed using VQE

$$\text{RMCV} < \text{TMCV} \implies \text{CNF is not NAE-3SAT}$$

Lemma

Experiments and Results

Experiment 1 Results



Experiments and Results

Experiment 2 Results

For QAOA

	Actual NAE-3SAT	Actual not NAE-3SAT
Predicted NAE-SAT	71	0
Predicted not NAE-3SAT	227	202

Accuracy: 54.6% Recall: 23.8%

For QRAO

	Actual NAE-3SAT	Actual not NAE-3SAT
Predicted NAE-SAT	201	52
Predicted not NAE-3SAT	97	150

Accuracy: 70.2% Recall: 67.4%

Advantage of QRAO over QAOA

- If the number of variables of a CNF is n , then QAOA requires $2n$ qubits, while QRAO may require as few as $2n/3$ qubits, as QRAO's core idea is encoding multiple classical bits into one qubit. [5]
- QRAO performs better when classifying Not-All-3SAT CNFs because it is not necessary for it to find the exact ground state energy of the Hamiltonian in order to make an accurate prediction. For QAOA, however, it is necessary to find the exact ground state energy of the Hamiltonian in order to make an accurate prediction.

Note: Downside of QRAO: It can sometimes mispredict an unsatisfiable NAE-3SAT CNF as *satisfiable*, while that case is not possible for QAOA.

Conclusion and Future Work

Research summary:

- Solved Not-All-Equal 3SAT using QRAO
- Proved a lemma that enables us to infer unsatisfiability from the energy value alone.
- Showed performance improvement of QRAO over QAOA for small instances at least.

Future Work:

- Increase the number of variables to have better insight on the performance of QRAO
- Run the experiments on real devices
- Improve the rounding step to lower the consistency error of solutions

Thank you very much for your attention!

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