



DyREM: Dynamically Mitigating Quantum Readout Error with Embedded Accelerator

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- Motivation
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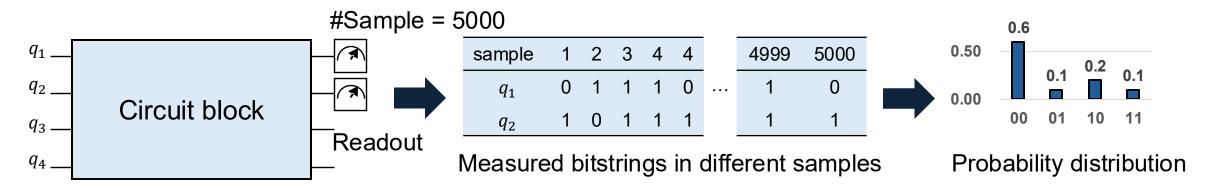






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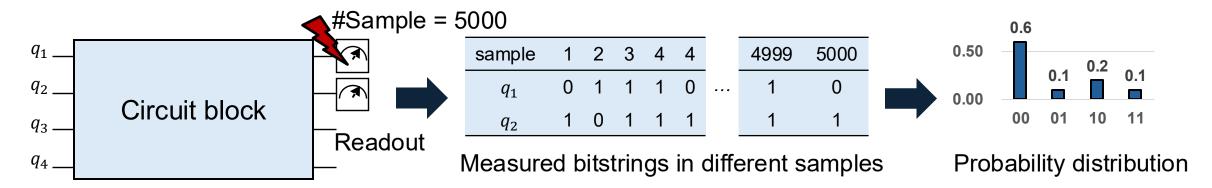
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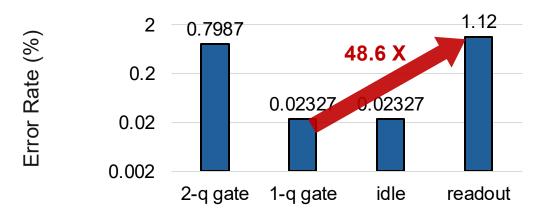
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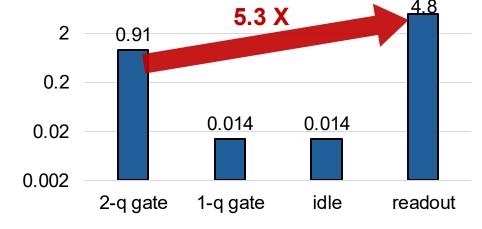
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Noise on 10-qubit Tianmu quantum device



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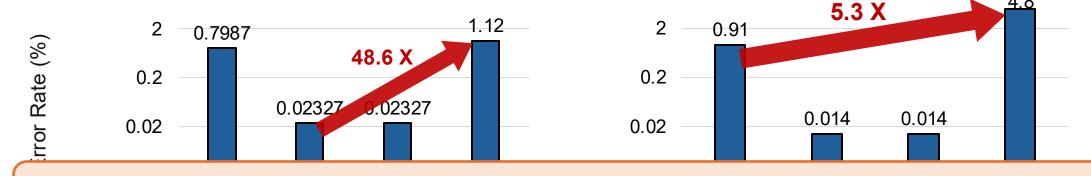
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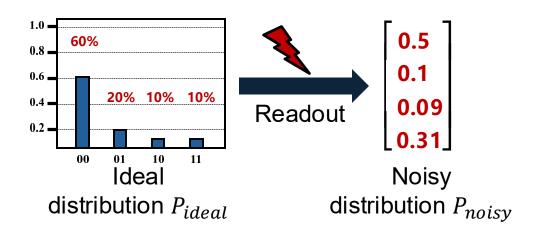


It is essential to mitigate readout errors to obtain reliable results.



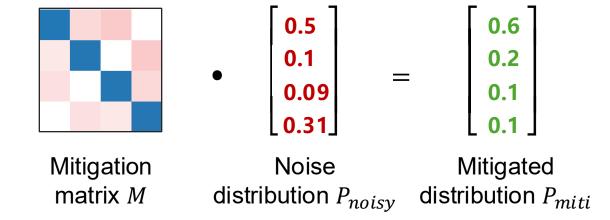
Matrix-Based Readout Mitigation

Readout with Noise



$$P_{noisy} = N \cdot P_{ideal}$$

Perform Matrix-Vector Multiplication



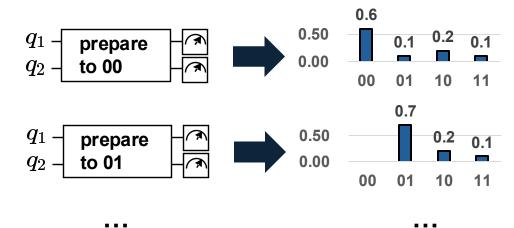
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Matrix-Based Readout Mitigation

3 Steps to Obtain Mitigation Matrix M

 Prepares qubits to different basis states and apply measurement.



② Fill the noisy matrix

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

③ Inverse the noisy matrix

$$M = N^{-1} =$$

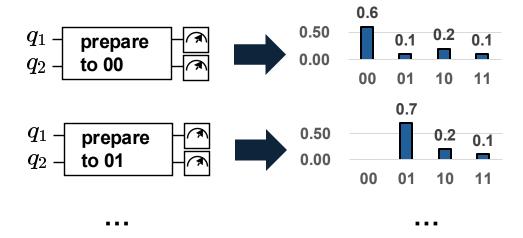
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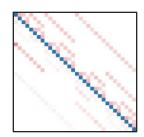


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Mitigation matrix



5-qubit mitigation matrix: $2^5 \times 2^5$ 10-qubit mitigation matrix: 2¹⁰ × 2¹⁰



The size exponentially increases!



Tensor-Product-Based Readout Mitigation

Key Idea: Tensor-Product Approximation

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$$P_{miti} = (M_1 \otimes M_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes M_k) \cdot P_{noisy}$$

sub-mitigation matrices

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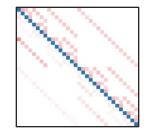
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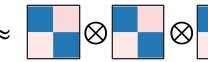
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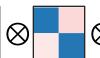


Qubit Group and Sub-Mitigation Matrix

IBM Mthree [1] and Google IBU [2].









Each physical qubit corresponds to a 2x2 meta matrix.

Good scalability, low fidelity (crosstalk-unaware).

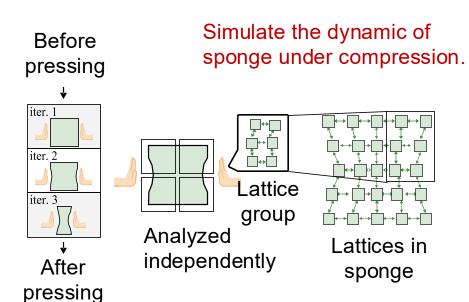




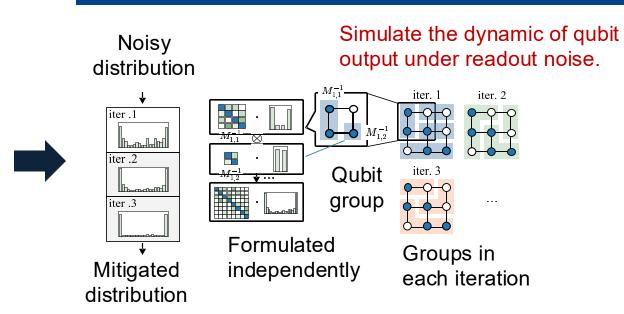
Our Prior Work on Readout Mitigation

■ QuFEM (ASPLOS 2024)

Classical Finite Element Method



Quantum Finite Element Method



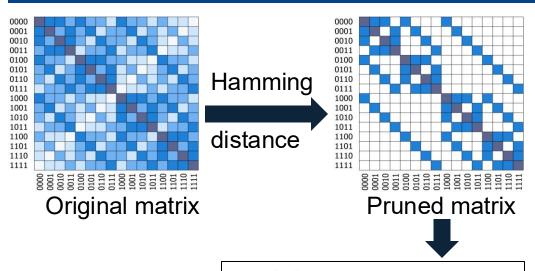
A divide-and-conquer strategy to mitigate the noisy distribution.



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■ SpREM (DAC 2024)

Pruning based on Hamming Distance



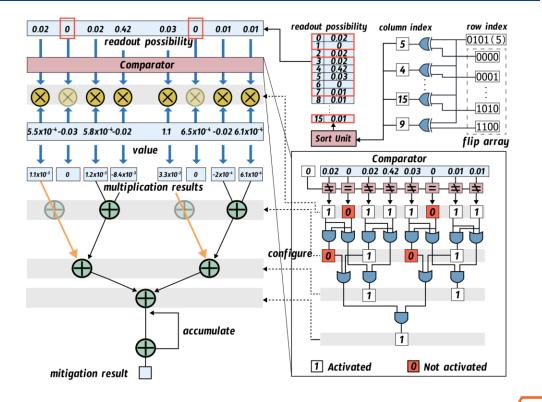
HD: 1

qubit num: n=4

HDSR format



Hardware Architecture



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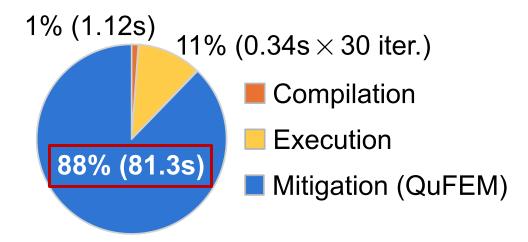
Breakdown of End-to-End Latency

■ 16-qubit QAOA

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■ 3 stages:

- Compilation, Execution, Mitigation
- Platforms:
- Quantum: 156-qubit IBM_fez processor
- Classical: AMD EPYC 9554 64-core CPU



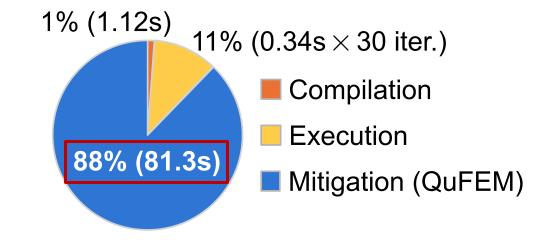
Classical-side mitigation dominates the runtime!



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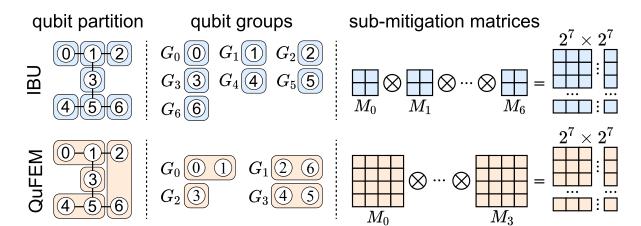
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Goal: Reduce the mitigation time with a dedicated accelerator.

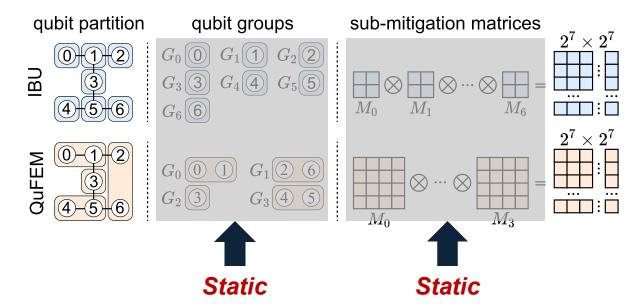


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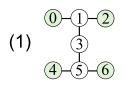


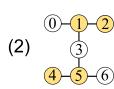


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Dynamically Changing Measured Qubits

measured qubits

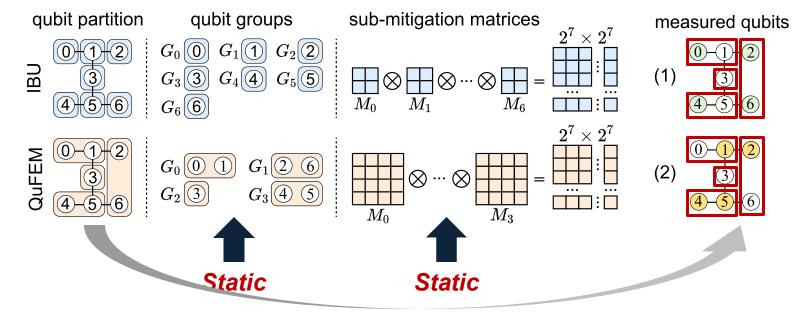






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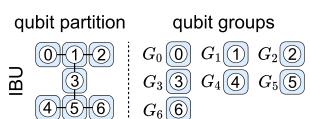
Apply the grouping scheme of QuFEM (state-of-the-art)

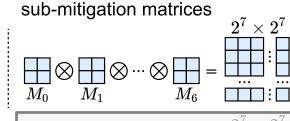


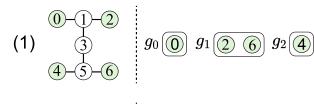
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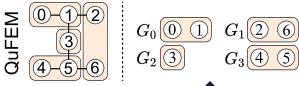
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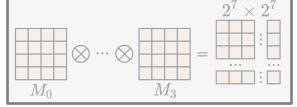


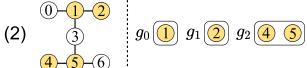




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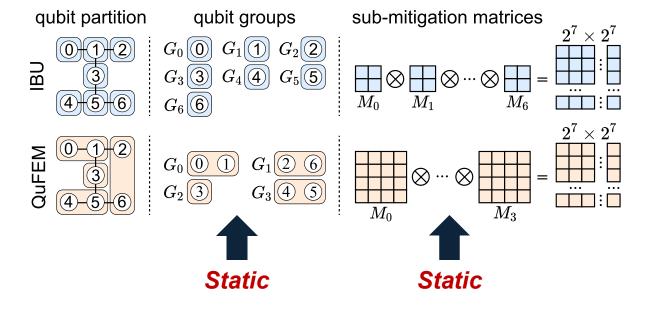




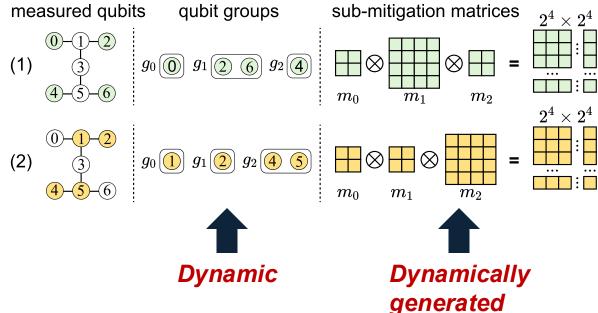
Pre-determined matrices can not be reused (2)



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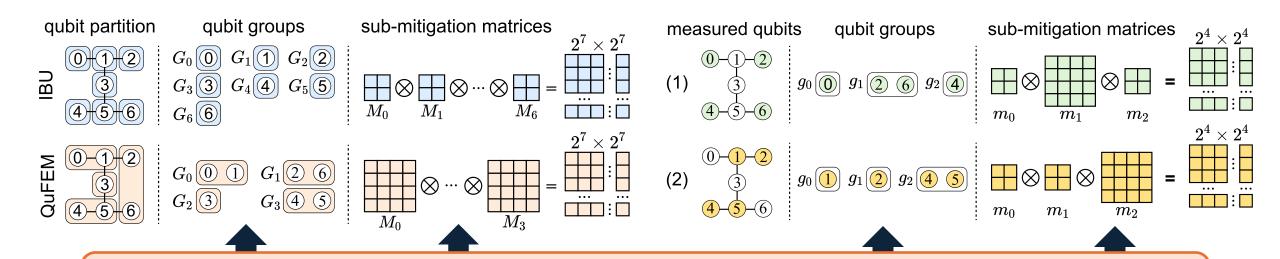
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Goal: Enable the dynamic readout error mitigation.



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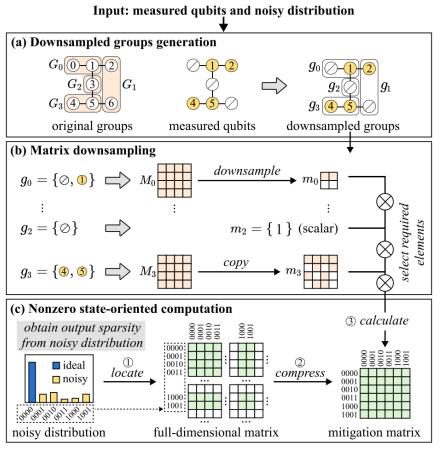






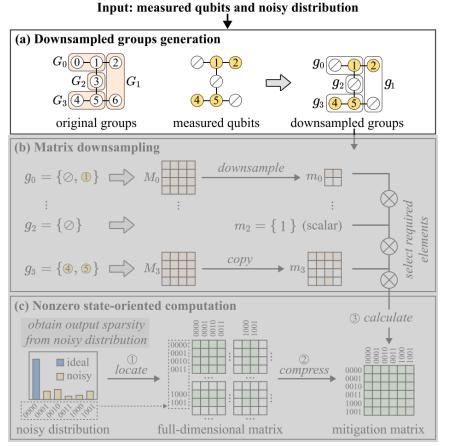


DyREM Dataflow Overview

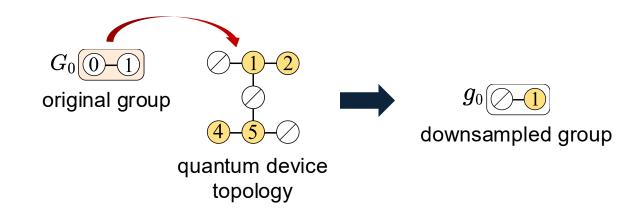




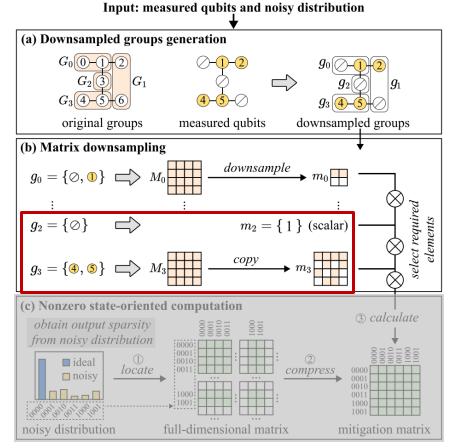
Downsampled Groups Generation



- We define the concept of **downsampled group** g_i , determined by the original groups G_i and measured qubits.
- Unmeasured physical qubits are denoted by Ø





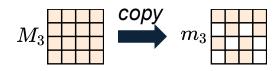


- We categorize downsampled groups into three types:
- Unmeasured (e.g., g_2)
- Fully measured (e.g., g_3)
- Partially measured (e.g., g_0 and g_1)

Unmeasured

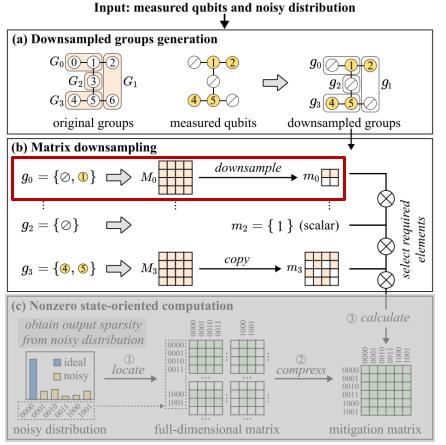
$$m_2 = \{1\} (scalar)$$

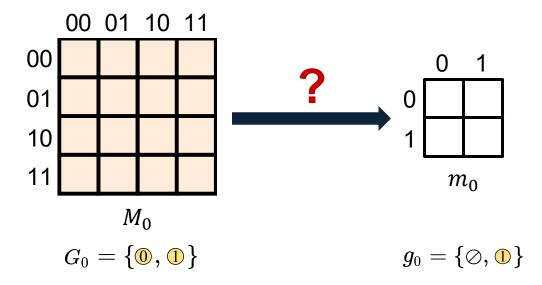
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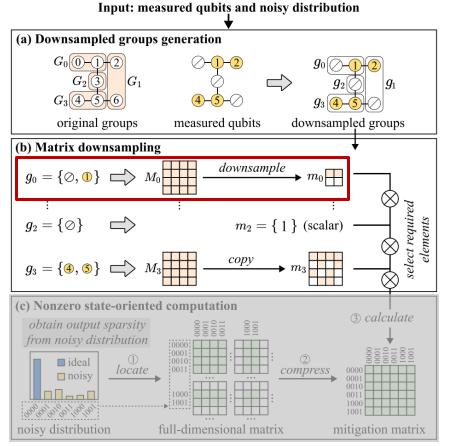
☐ does not involve the subsequent calculation of the mitigation matrix

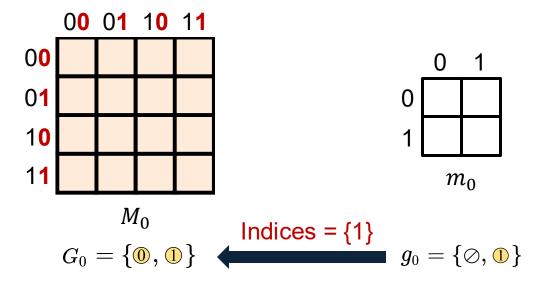




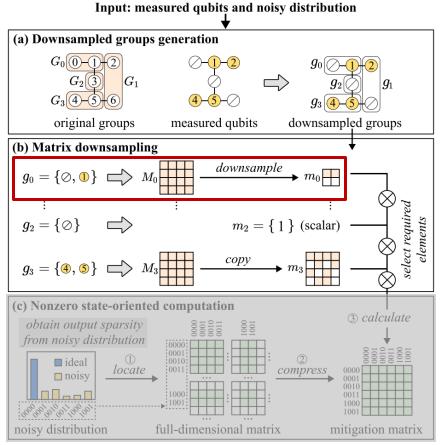


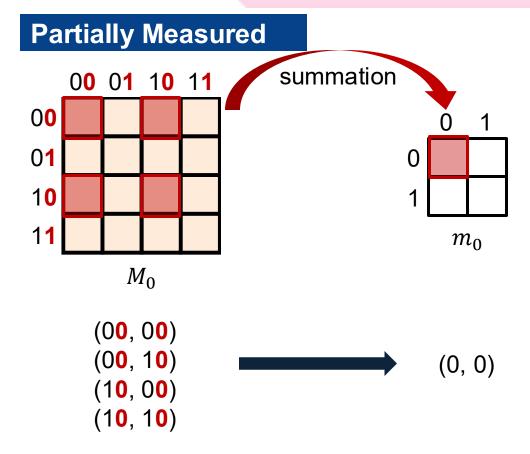




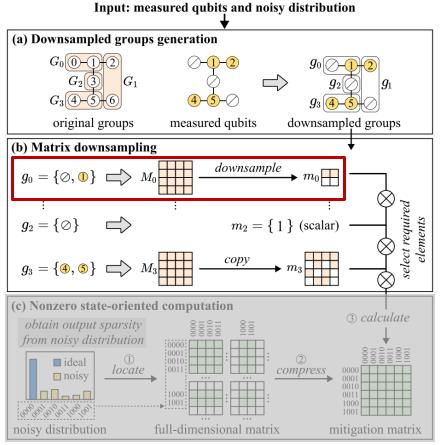


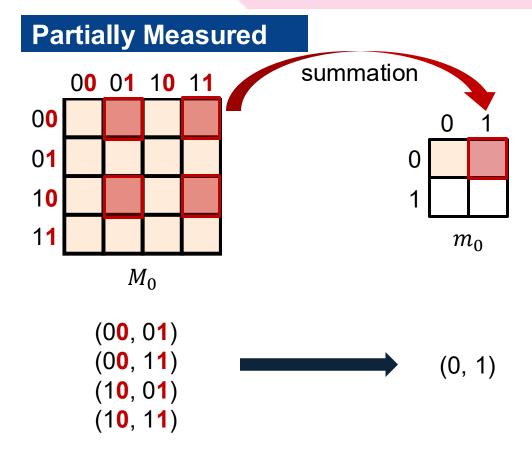




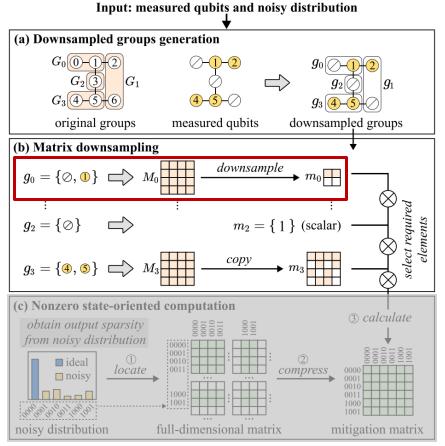


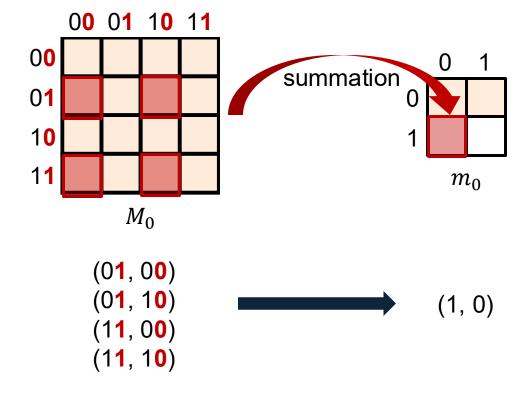




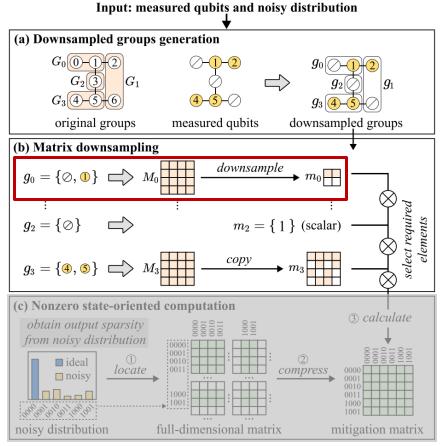


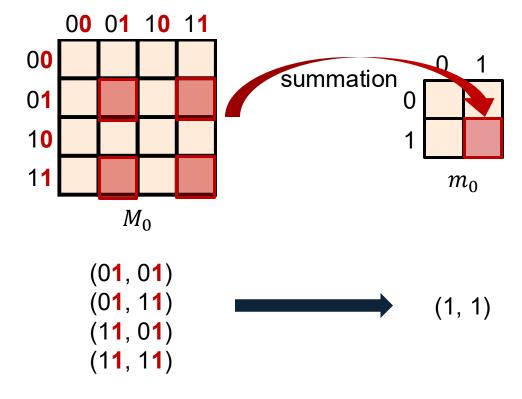




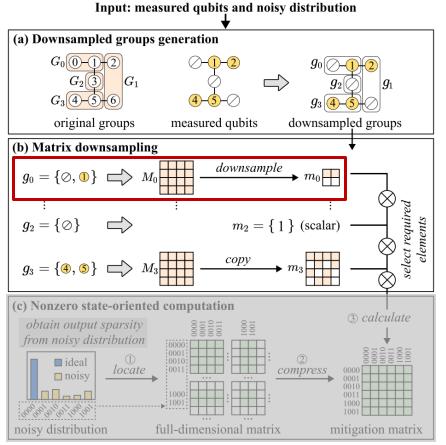


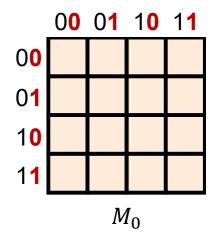


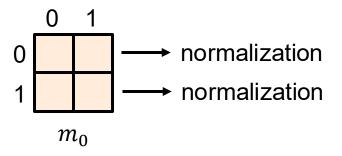




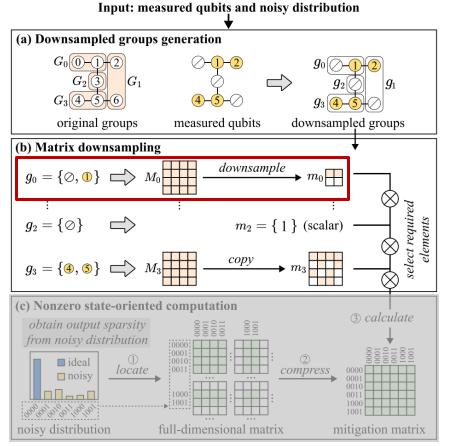




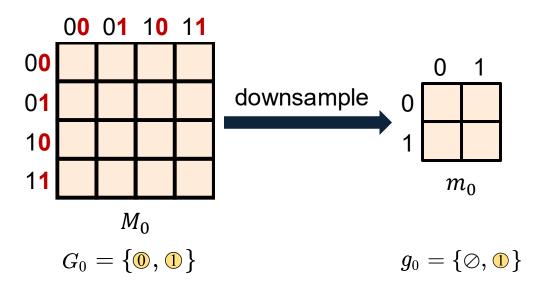






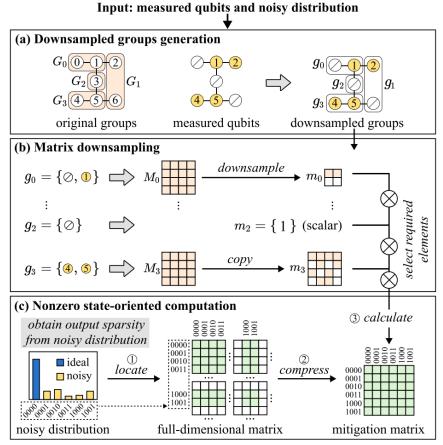


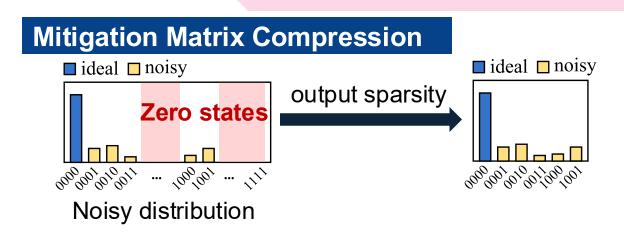
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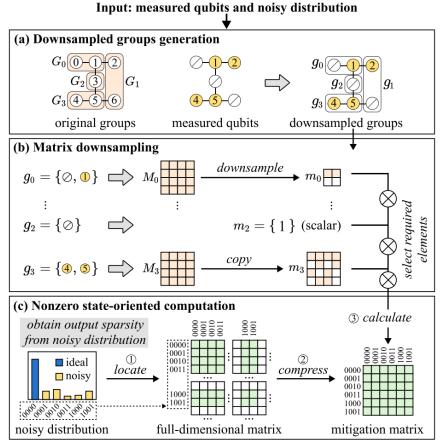
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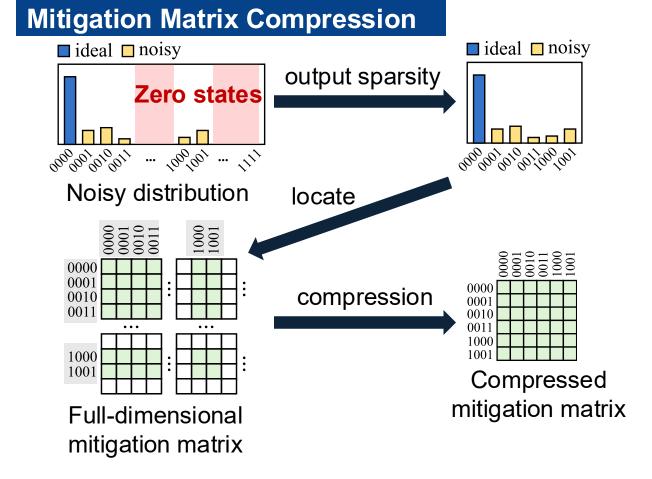




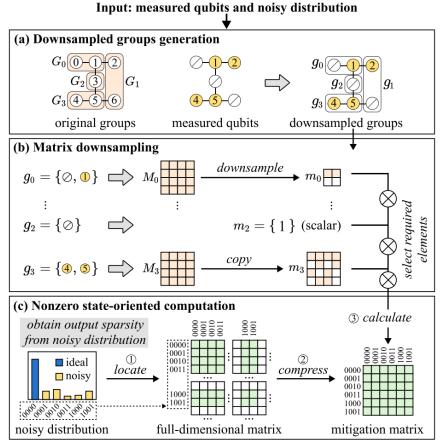






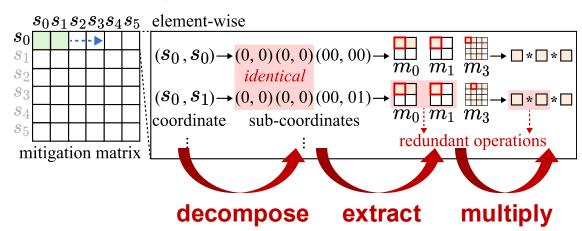




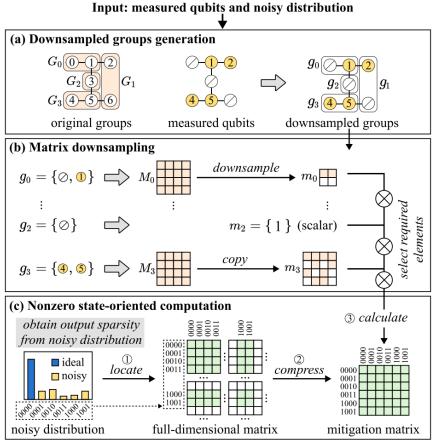


Nonzero State Similarity Detection

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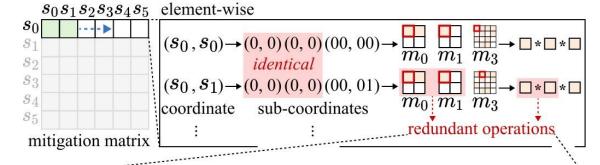


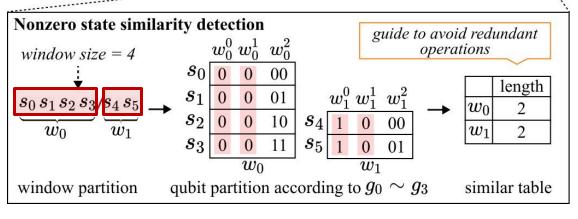




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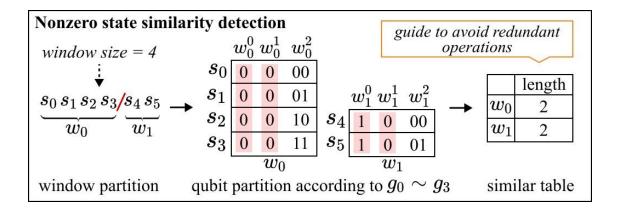




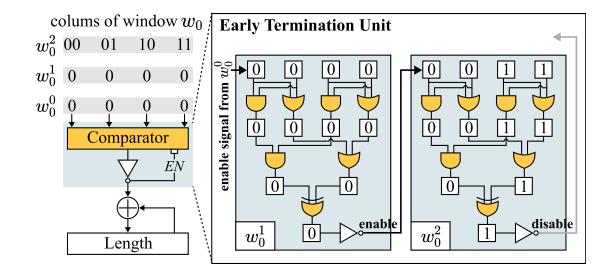


Nonzero State Detector

Software Side



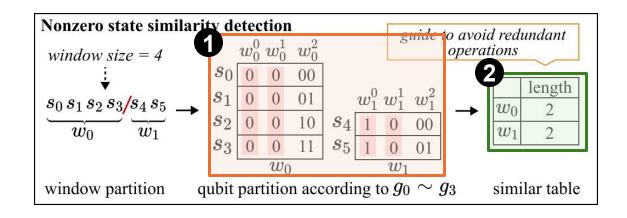
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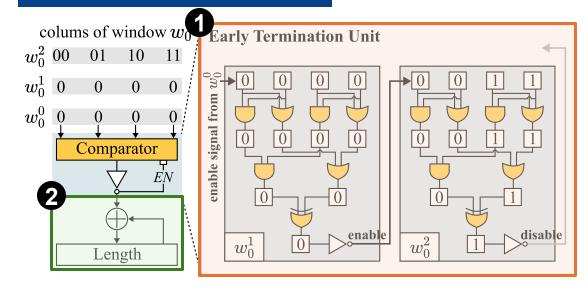


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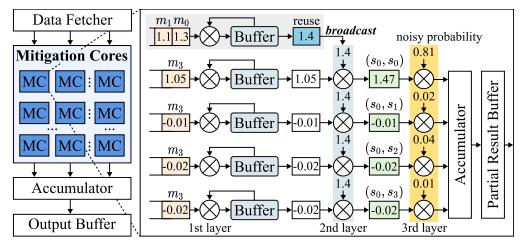
- 1 Detection of identical columns in each window
- 2 Computation of the similar table



Mitigation Core

Software Side

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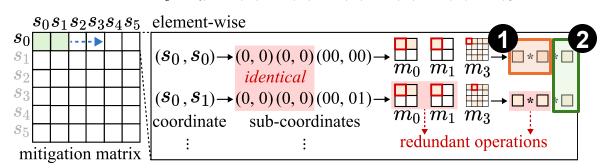
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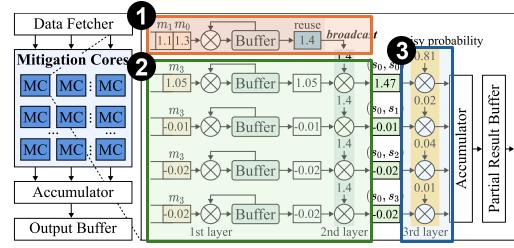
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Hardware Side



- 1 The computation of reuse data
- 2 Element-wise multiplication
- 3 Matrix-vector multiplication



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Evaluation Setup

- Benchmarks:
- VQE, QAOA, FALCON, DJ algorithms
- Baselines:
- IBM Mthree [1], Google IBU [2], QuFEM [3], SpREM [4]
- Experimental platforms:
- NVIDIA A100 GPU (Mthree, IBU)
- AMD EPYC 9554 64-core CPU (QuFEM)
- Xilinx Alveo U50 FPGA (SpREM, DyREM)



^[2] Pokharel, Bibek, et al. "Scalable measurement error mitigation via iterative bayesian unfolding." Physical Review Research 6.1 (2024): 013187.

^[3] Tan, Siwei, et al. "QuFEM: Fast and Accurate Quantum Readout Calibration Using the Finite Element Method." ASPLOS. 2024.

^[4] Zhang, Hanyu, et al. "SpREM: Exploiting Hamming Sparsity for Fast Quantum Readout Error Mitigation." DAC. 2024.

Hardware Performance

- Benchmarks:
- VQE, QAOA, DJ algorithms (16, 20, 24, 28 qubits)
- Metrics:
- Latency (s), Q-throughput (states/s)

Baseline	Technical feature	VQE [12]		QAOA [13]		DJ [14]	
		Latency (s)	Q-throughput (states/s)	Latency (s)	Q-throughput (states/s)	Latency (s)	Q-throughput (states/s)
Mthree [5]	Hamming pruning	2.52 (384×)	$7.27 \times 10^3 \ (583 \times)$	4.22 (461×)	$4.63 \times 10^3 \ (758 \times)$	0.66 (206×)	$2.77 \times 10^4 \ (192 \times)$
SpREM [10]	HDSR format	0.48 (73.8×)	$1.76 \times 10^6 \ (2.4 \times)$	0.56 (61.5×)	$1.49 \times 10^6 \ (2.3 \times)$	0.031 (9.6×)	$3.43 \times 10^6 \ (1.5 \times)$
IBU [6]	Bayesian unfolding	13.0 (2000×)	$3.58 \times 10^5 \ (11.8 \times)$	17.1 (1879×)	$2.72 \times 10^5 \ (12.9 \times)$	4.59 (1437×)	$1.01 \times 10^6 \ (5.2 \times)$
QuFEM [7]	Finite element analysis	11.7 (1800×)	$1.56 \times 10^3 \ (2726 \times)$	13.5 (1483×)	$1.45 \times 10^3 \ (2420 \times)$	5.42 (1687×)	$2.65 \times 10^3 \ (2002 \times)$
DyREM	Redundancy detection	6.52×10^{-3}	$4.24 imes 10^6$	9.12×10^{-3}	$3.51 imes 10^6$	3.25×10^{-3}	$5.31 imes 10^6$

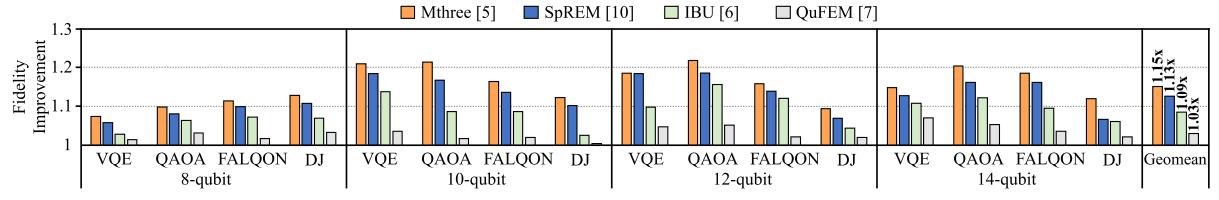
(1) Average speedup: 9.6X ~ 2000X; (2) Q-throughput improvement: 1.5X ~ 2726X



- Our dataflow leverages the output sparsity and avoids redundant operations.
- We design a dedicated accelerator to support this dataflow.

Mitigation Fidelity

- Benchmarks:
- VQE, QAOA, FALCON, DJ algorithms (8, 10, 12, 14 qubits)
- Metric:
- Fidelity



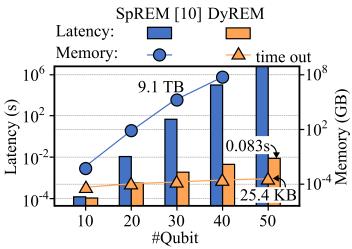
Average fidelity improvement: 1.15X, 1.13X, 1.09X, and 1.03X

- We eliminate the quantum states that do not contribute to fidelity.
- We use the grouping matrix to consider the crosstalk.



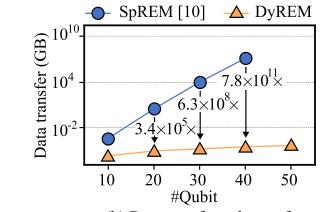
Comparison with SpREM

Latency and Memory



(a) Latency and memory usage of mitigating the DJ algorithm.

Data Transfer



(b) Data transfer volume of mitigating the DJ algorithm.

Our accelerator calculates the mitigation matrix on-chip, avoiding the limitation of finite bandwidth.



