

# Portfolio Optimization

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- A portfolio optimization task provided by Vanguard



- The mathematical formulation:

Constrained Quadratic Binary Optimization (CQBO)

- Why it matters:

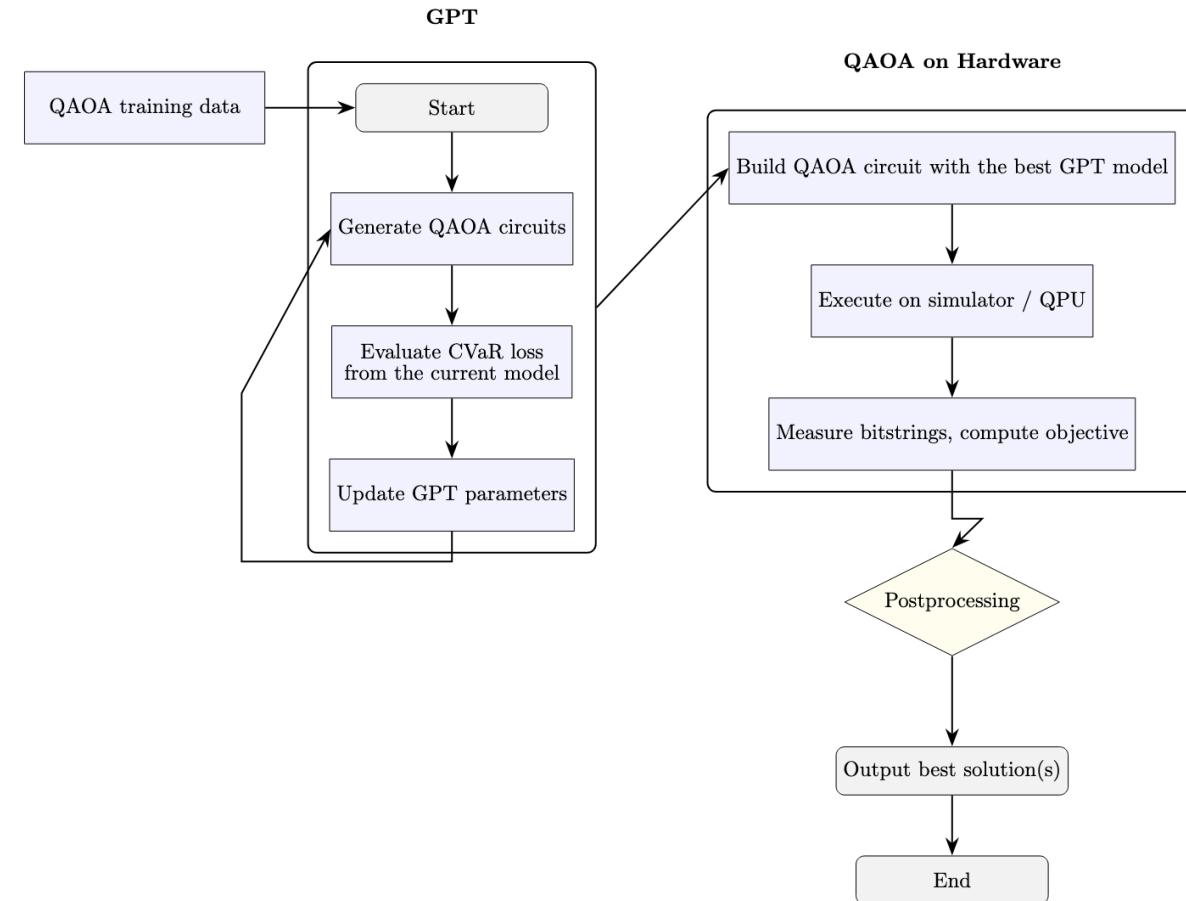
CQBO is everywhere

Solution space scales exponentially as system size grows. NP-hard

# Our solution: sampling-based GPT-

## QAOA

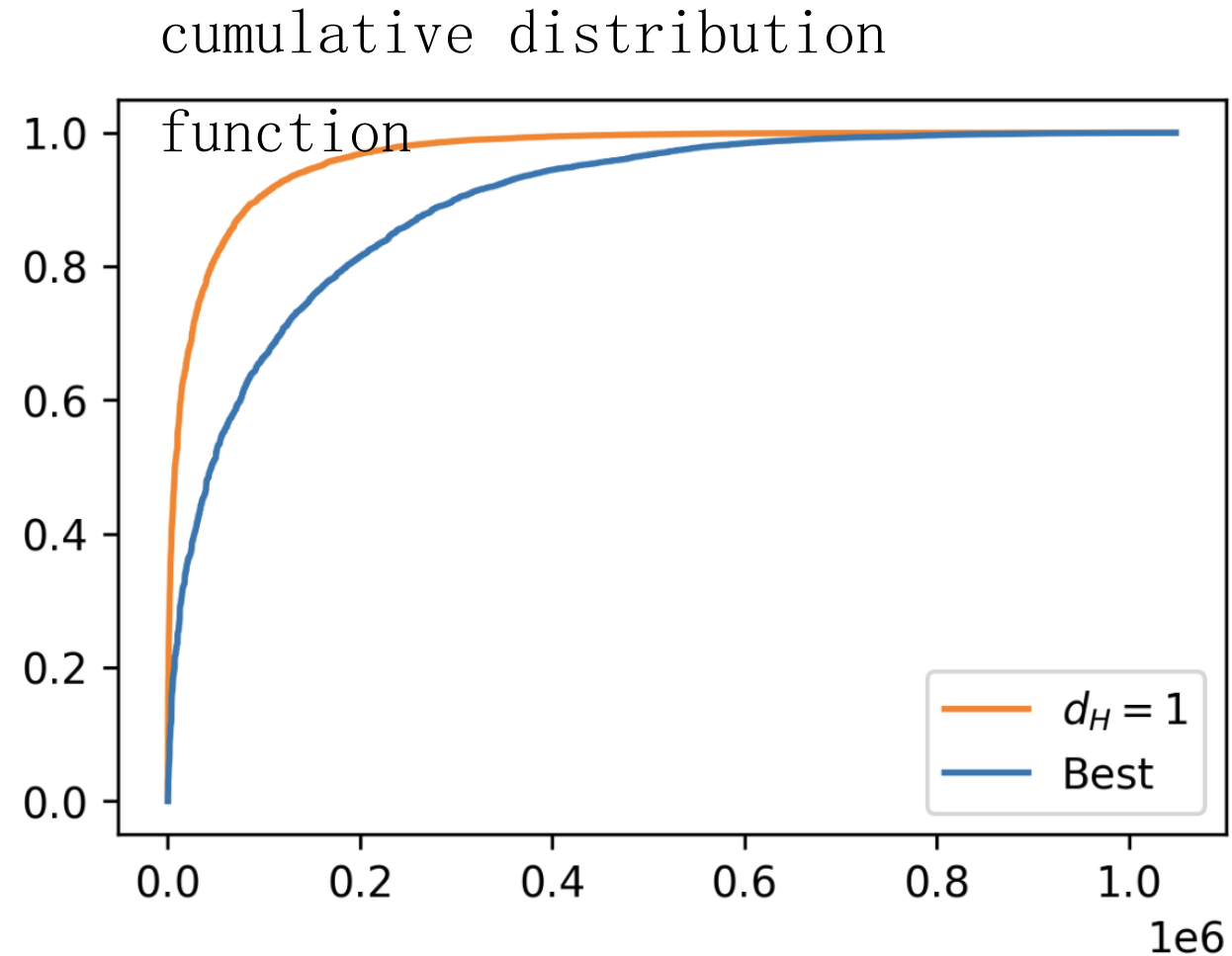
- Goal: solve the 20-bond case
- Implemented with pennylane & pytorch
- Evolution of our solution:  
Scale: 30 bonds  $\rightarrow$  20 bonds  
Loss function: Boltzmann  $\rightarrow$  CVaR  
Gate pool: VQE gates  $\rightarrow$  QAOA gates



# Results & impact

- Solved the 20-bond case:
- Metrics: CDF after local search
- Our contribution to Quantum Science and AI:

GPT+QA0A for combinatorial optimizations



# Future scope

- Possible extension:

Simulate more bonds and run on real quantum computing hardwares  
e. g. IBM.

Optimize GPT training: loss function, e. g. Boltzmann and gate pool

- Limitations faced:

Limited simulation power: no more than 20 bonds

No access to quantum hardware. Can't test our algorithm on QPU