

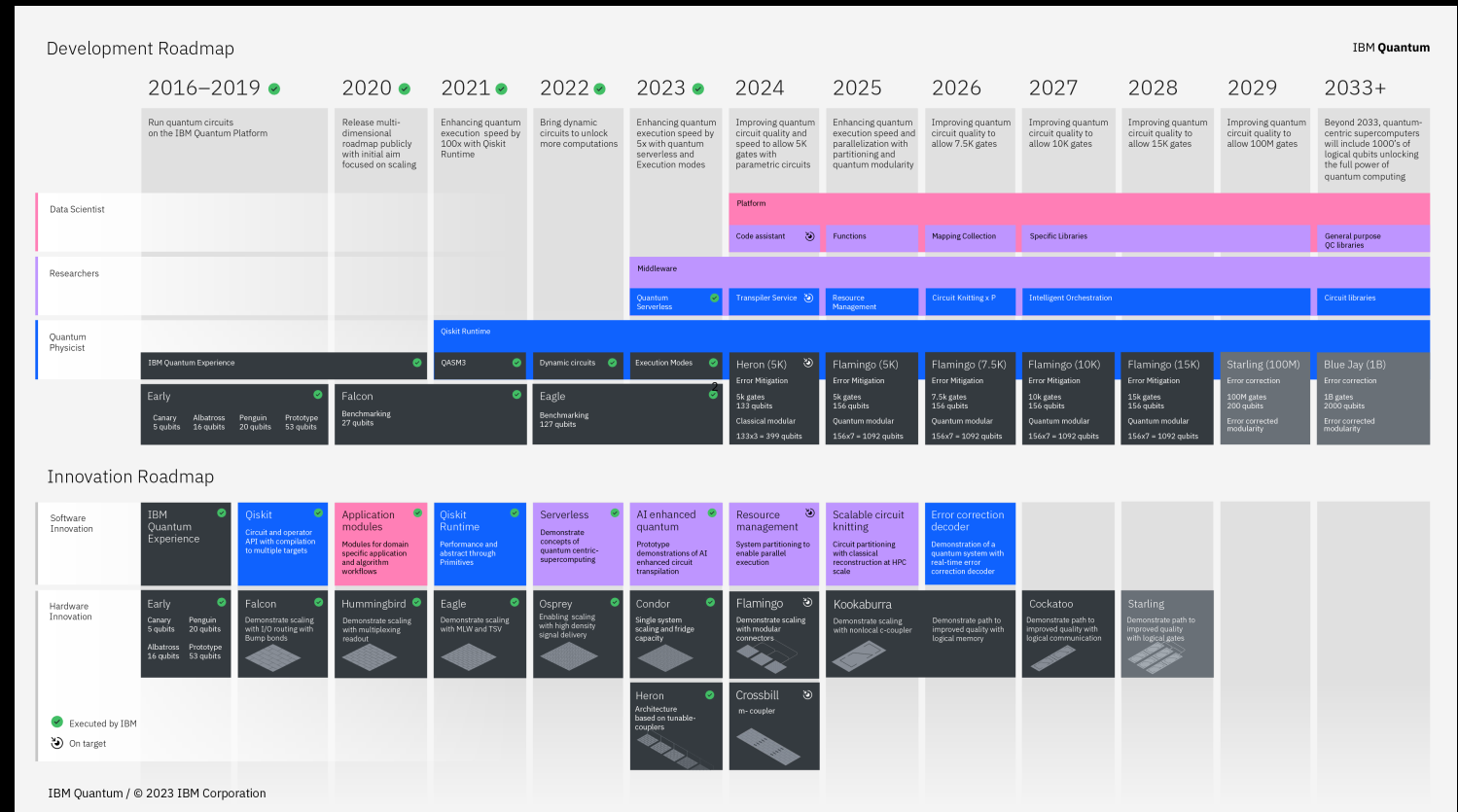
Crosstalk-aware qubit mappings for arbitrary hardware topologies

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Motivation

- NISQ-era devices are highly susceptible to noise
- Circuit fidelity degradation due to accumulated errors limit scalability
- Classically-enabled error mitigation is a near-term remedy



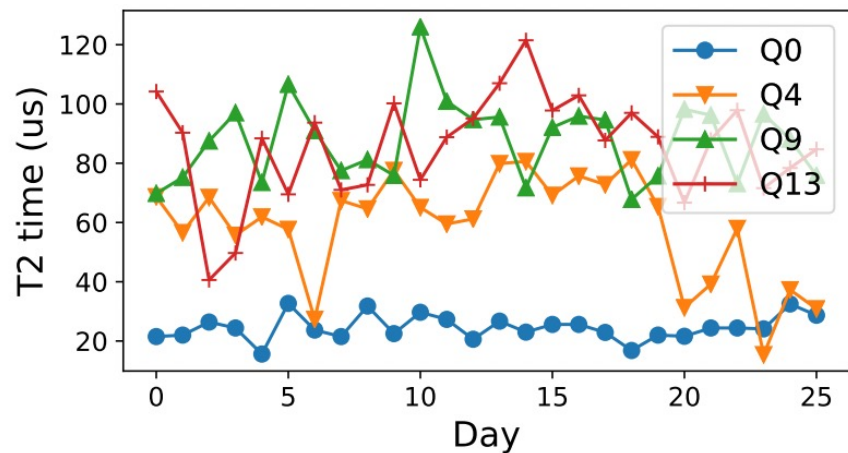
Case study: compiler mappings

“BARE” CIRCUIT MAPPINGS

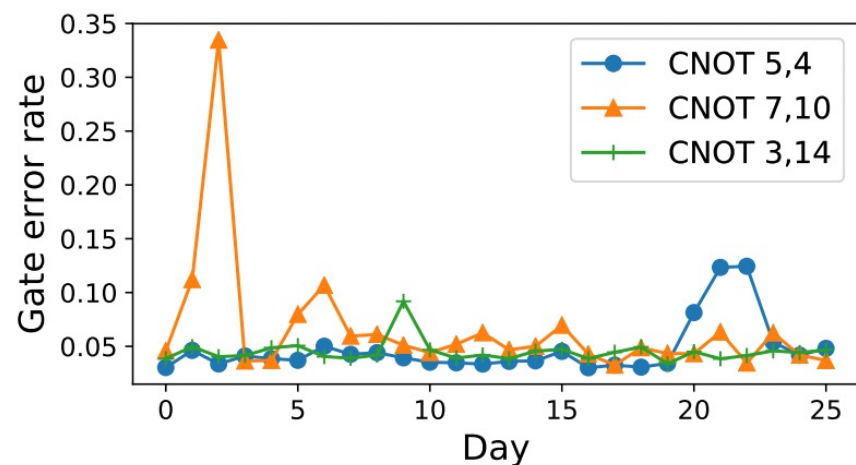
- Arbitrarily maps logical qubits from a quantum circuit to physical qubits
- Unrealistically assumes all qubits are equally reliable and incur identical noise
- Prioritizes processor connectivity over noise robustness

ENTANGLEMENT-BASED SCHEMES

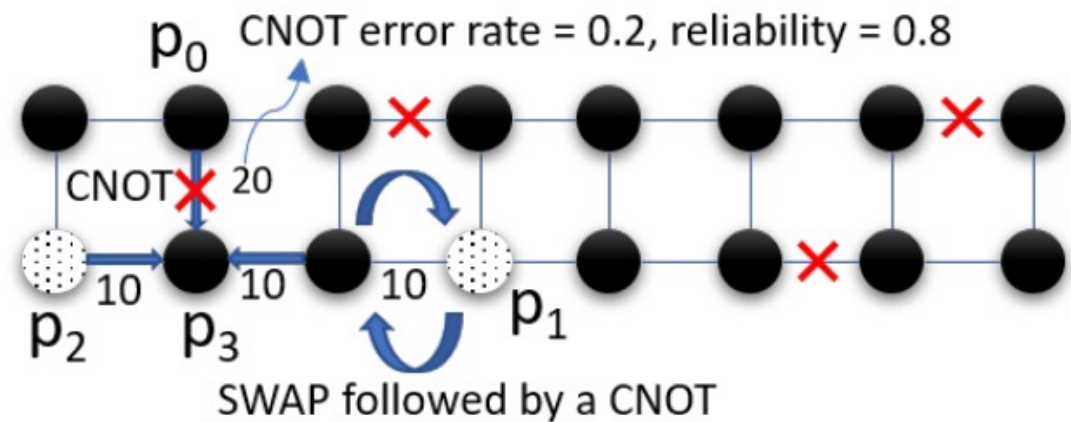
- Maps logical qubits to physical qubits based on which have the corresponding highest fidelity two-qubit gates
 - + Reflects that two-qubit error rates are the main source of error
- Classical precomputation clock cycles much quicker than quantum



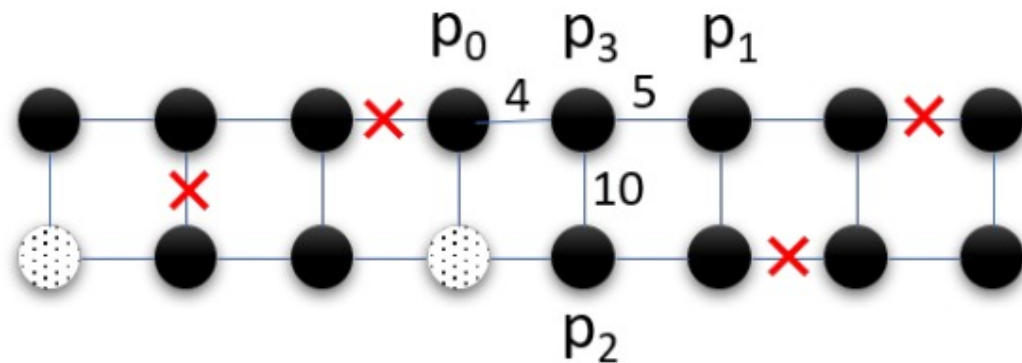
(a) Coherence time (T2)



(b) CNOT gate error rate



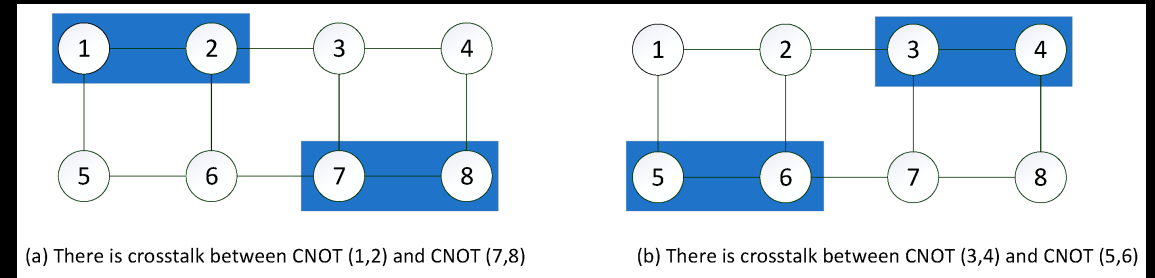
(b) Layout of qubits in *IBMQ16* and a naive mapping for *BV4*.



(c) Optimized mapping for *BV4*

Figure 1. Daily variations in qubit coherence time (larger is better) and gate error rates (lower is better) for selected elements in *IBMQ 16 Rueschlikon*. The qubits and gates that are most or least reliable are different across days.

But we can do better



- The result of this work suggests it is optimal to cluster qubit mappings together in high edge density areas
 - + Makes circuit more susceptible to ***crosstalk*** noise from multiqubit gates
- Crosstalk is responsible for **2/3 of the total error** on the IBM Quantum Montreal processor (27 qubits) in random many-qubit circuit layers
 - + Scales severely with parallelized quantum algorithms
 - + Dominates noise behavior
- Can we combine compiler mapping results with crosstalk mitigation?

Our Approach

Generalizes the previous result!
Our approach is **proven** to be better than simple EBS!

We base our approach on

- the most recent
- highest performance
- holistic

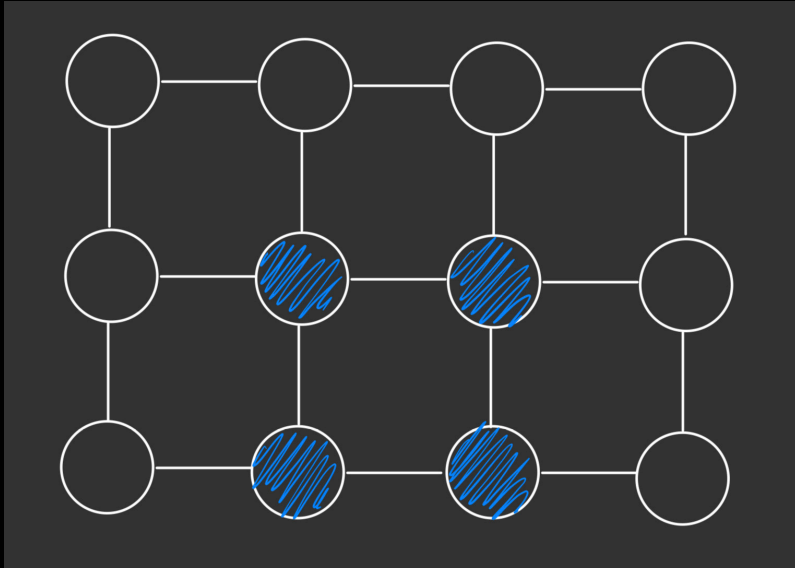
mapping scheme: QuCloud+

Table 1. Qualitative Comparison of Quantum Program Mapping Approaches

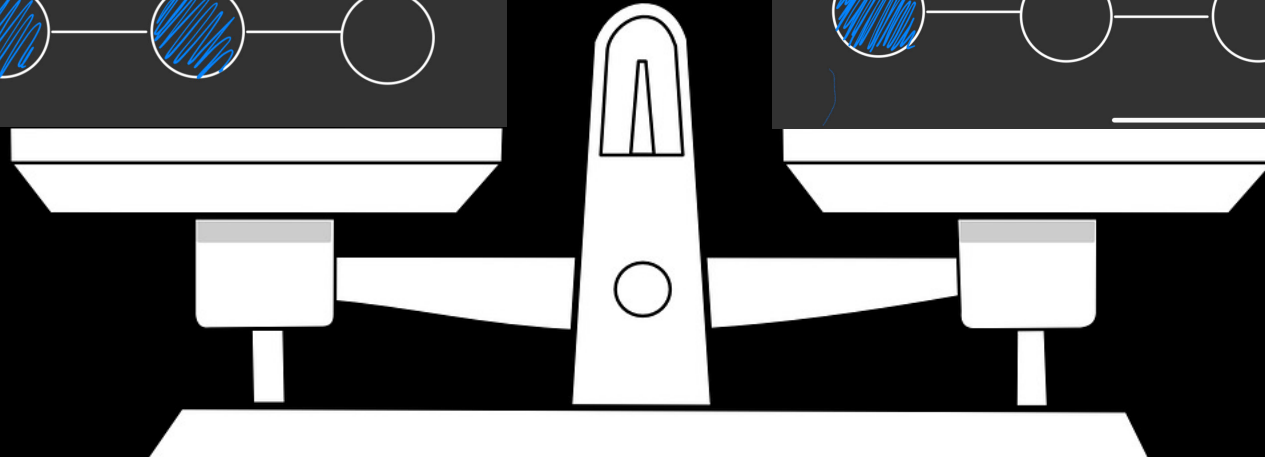
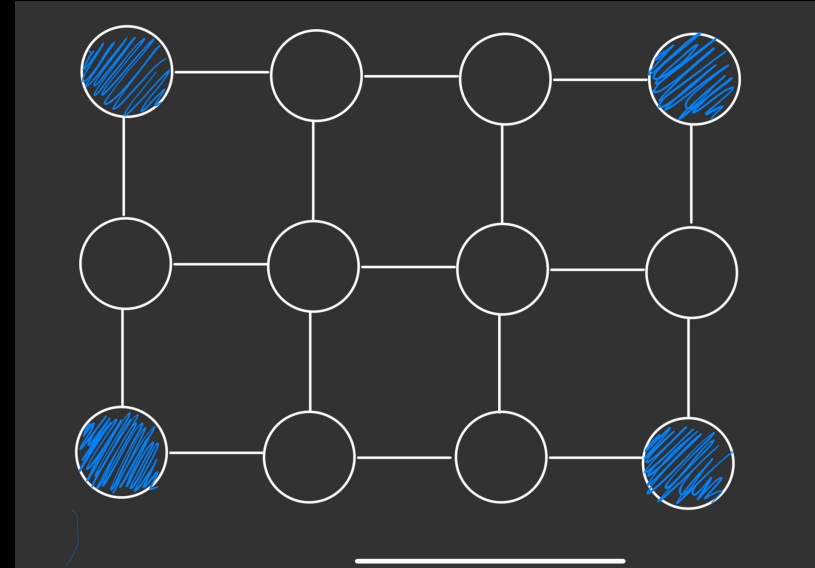
Studies	Approaches	Optimization Objectives	Contributions	Needs Improvements
SABRE [28]	Heuristic approach	Number of gates / circuit depth	Simplified heuristic search space reduces algorithm complexity; reserve traversal for high-quality initial mapping	Unawareness of gate errors
NASSC [30]	Heuristic approach	Number of gates / circuit depth	Leveraging post-mapping gate optimizations to reduce the number of CNOT gates after the mapping process	Unawareness of gate errors in initial mapping generation
FRP [12]	Heuristic approach	Fidelity	Multi-programming for higher throughput; fair qubit partitioning for fidelity; delayed instruction scheduling for lower decoherence errors	Unaware of topology in initial mapping
QuCloud [31]	Heuristic approach	Fidelity / number of gates	Community detection assisted qubits partitioning for fidelity; inter-program SWAPs for fewer additional gates	Unawareness of crosstalk
Palloq [40]	Heuristic approach	Fidelity	Placing idle qubits between concurrent circuits for crosstalk mitigation	Under-utilization of robust qubits due to physical buffers
SATMAP [34]	Optimal approach	Number of gates	Maximum satisfiability (MAXSAT) based solver; Reducing the size of MAXSAT constraints by exploiting the structure of quantum circuits	Unawareness of gate errors
BIP [17]	Optimal approach	Fidelity / circuit depth	Binary integer program (BIP) based solver; merging CNOTs with adjacent SWAPs for fewer additional gates	Reducing crosstalk conflicts with the optimization of errors and depth
OLSQ-GA [49]	Optimal approach	Number of gates / circuit depth	SWAP absorption for fewer additional gates, i.e., incorporating SWAPs into other gates without additional cost	Unawareness of gate errors
Work in [6]	Optimal approach	Circuit depth	Integer Linear Programming (ILP) formulation for the mapping problem	Unawareness of gate errors
Qmap [27]	Optimal + Heuristic	Number of gates / circuit latency	Considering actual gate duration to reduce circuit latency; MOVE operations for fewer additional gates	Unawareness of gate errors
MUQUT [7]	Optimal + Heuristic	Number of gates / circuit depth / fidelity	Integer Linear Programming (ILP) formulation for the mapping problem; sliding the initial mapping over the chip for higher fidelity	Incompatible with non-grid architecture

Striking the balance

Densely-packed, adjacent qubits
for minimal SWAP operations



Far qubits to minimize
local cross-talk

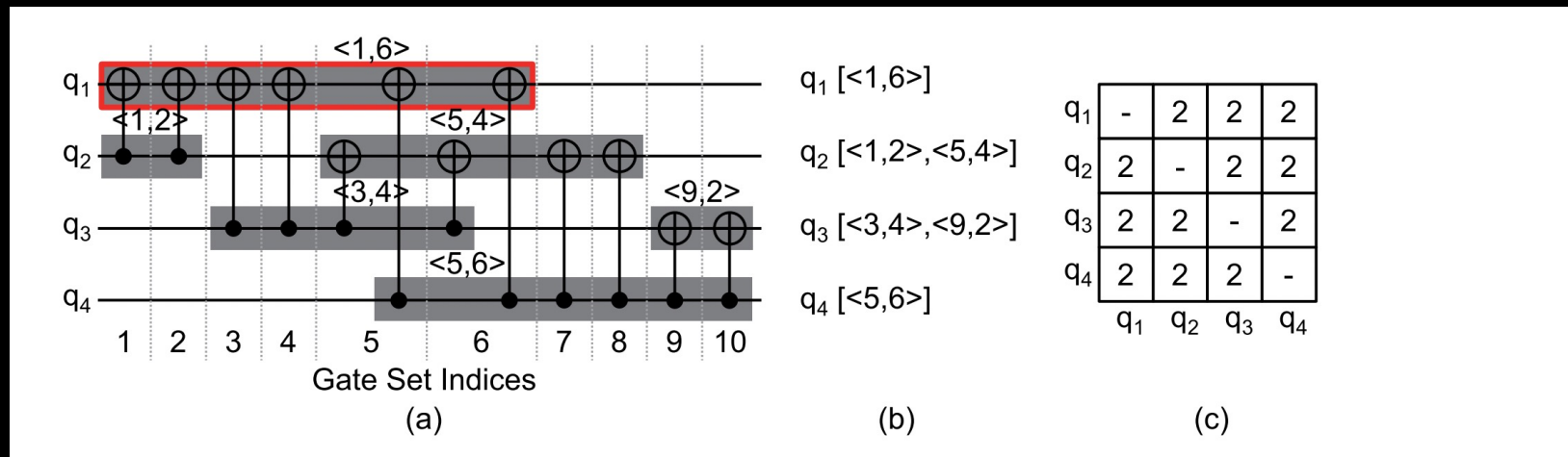


Preliminaries

- Our platform is **fully universal** and independent of both the **quantum circuit** and **physical hardware**
- This includes arbitrarily multi-qubit gates, arbitrary quantum processor topologies, and arbitrary errors (coherent, Pauli-twirled, correlated, etc.)
- Only assumption: the capability for randomized benchmarking and simultaneous randomized benchmarking on the processor
- User may input processor topology graph or utilize default 2D/3D rectangular lattice qubit arrangements
 - + Nearest-neighbor connectivities

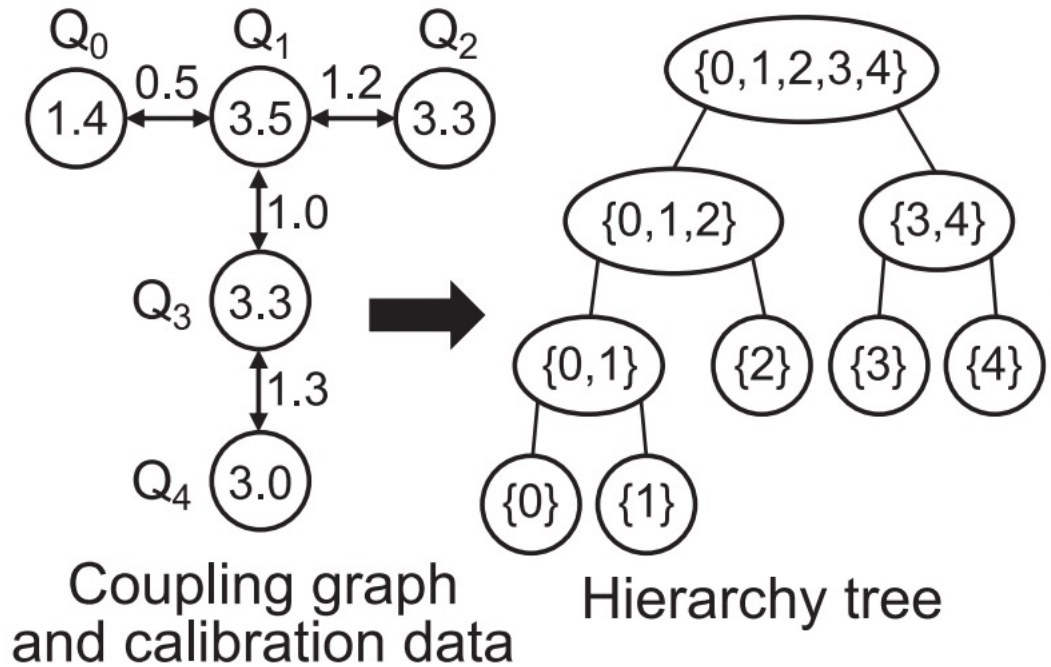
Methods: Algorithm 1

- From the quantum circuit, we can construct an involvement list and coupling strength matrix
- Involvement list: represents the time-series parallel operations of multi-qubit gates
- Coupling strength matrix: number of CNOT operations between every pair of qubits



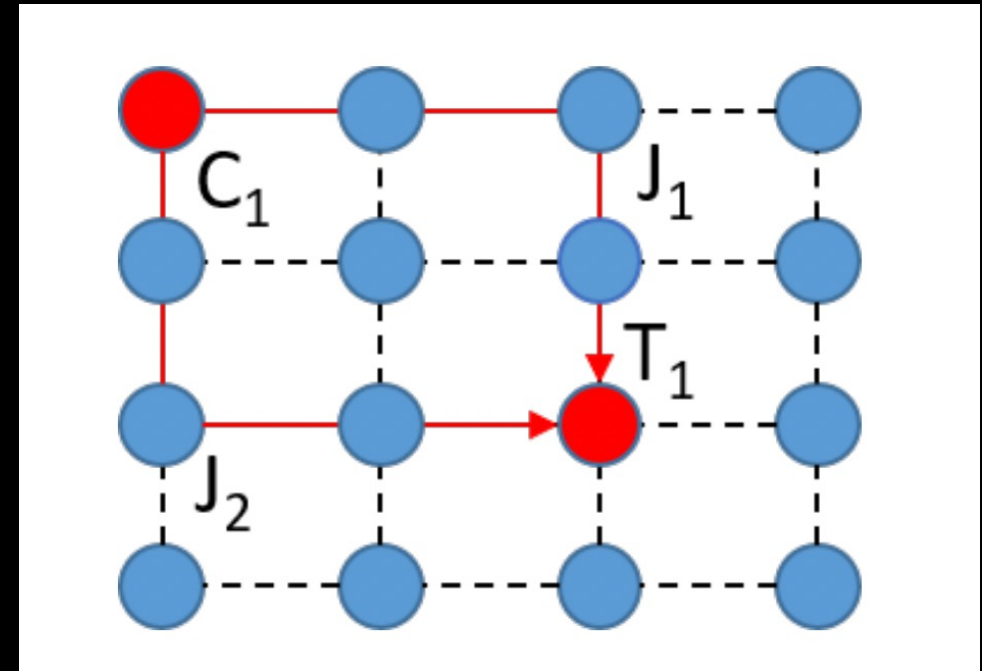
Methods: Algorithm 2

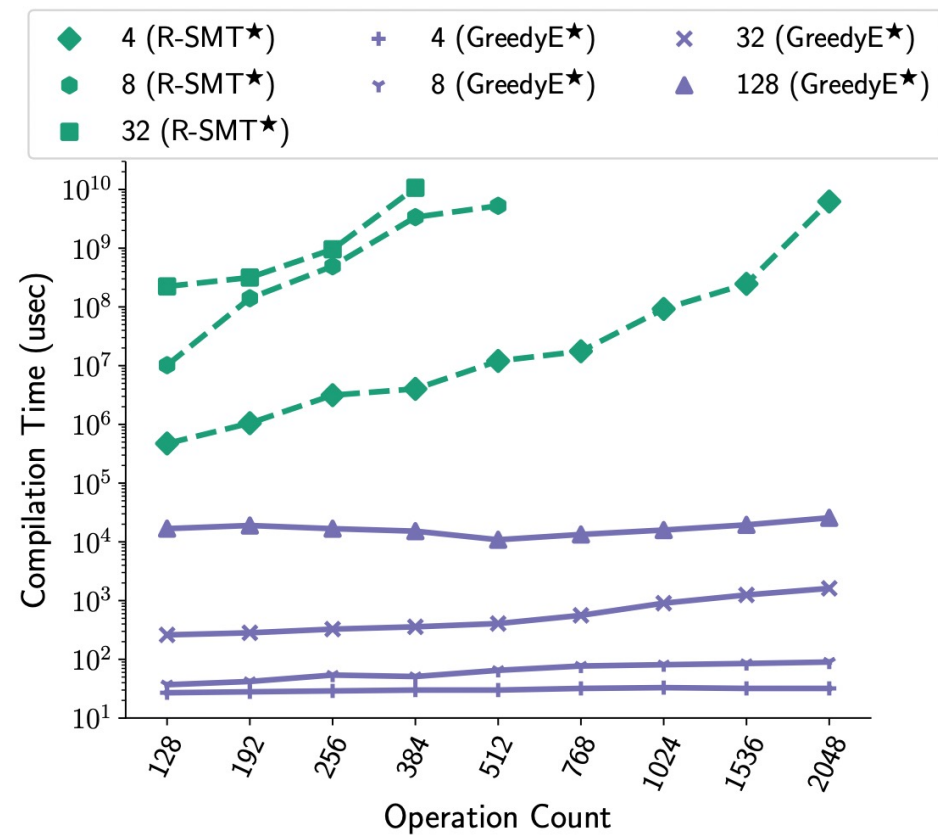
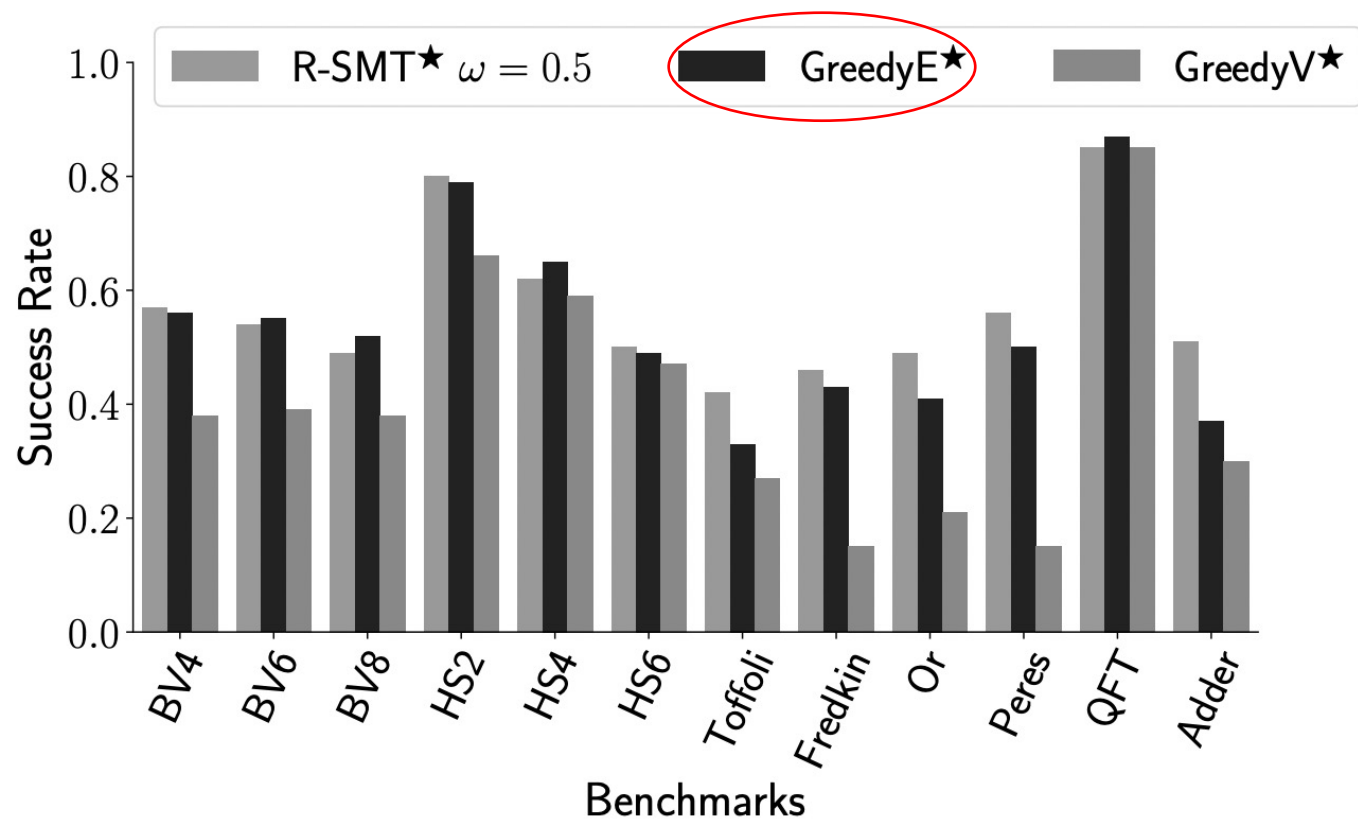
- Construction of a “hierarchy tree” consisting of qubit “communities” depending on crosstalk hotspots
- Finds the most crosstalk-robust subgraph for mapping m qubits, with $0 \leq m \leq \text{Processor size}$
- Optimal subgraphs (communities) are formed through ground-up merging



Methods: Algorithm 3

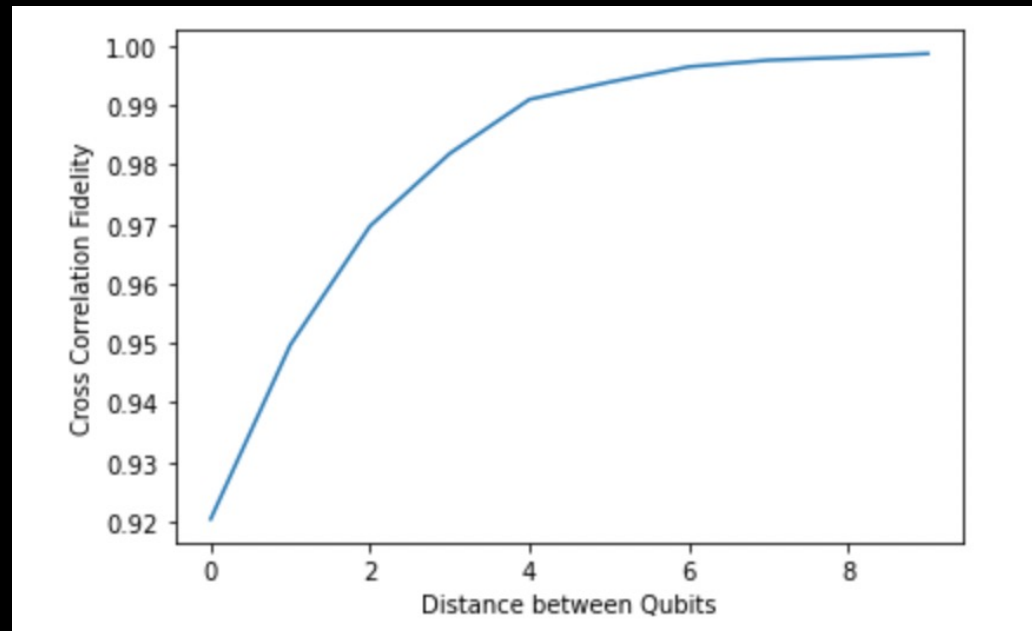
- Within optimal communities: greedy algorithm to organize qubit pairs based on increasing two-qubit gate frequency at gates with higher fidelity
- May use SWAP gates to route around lower fidelity two-qubit gates or from far away crosstalk-mitigation nodes
- Trade-off between SWAP chaining from far away qubit vs low fidelity
CNOT mirrors crosstalk consideration





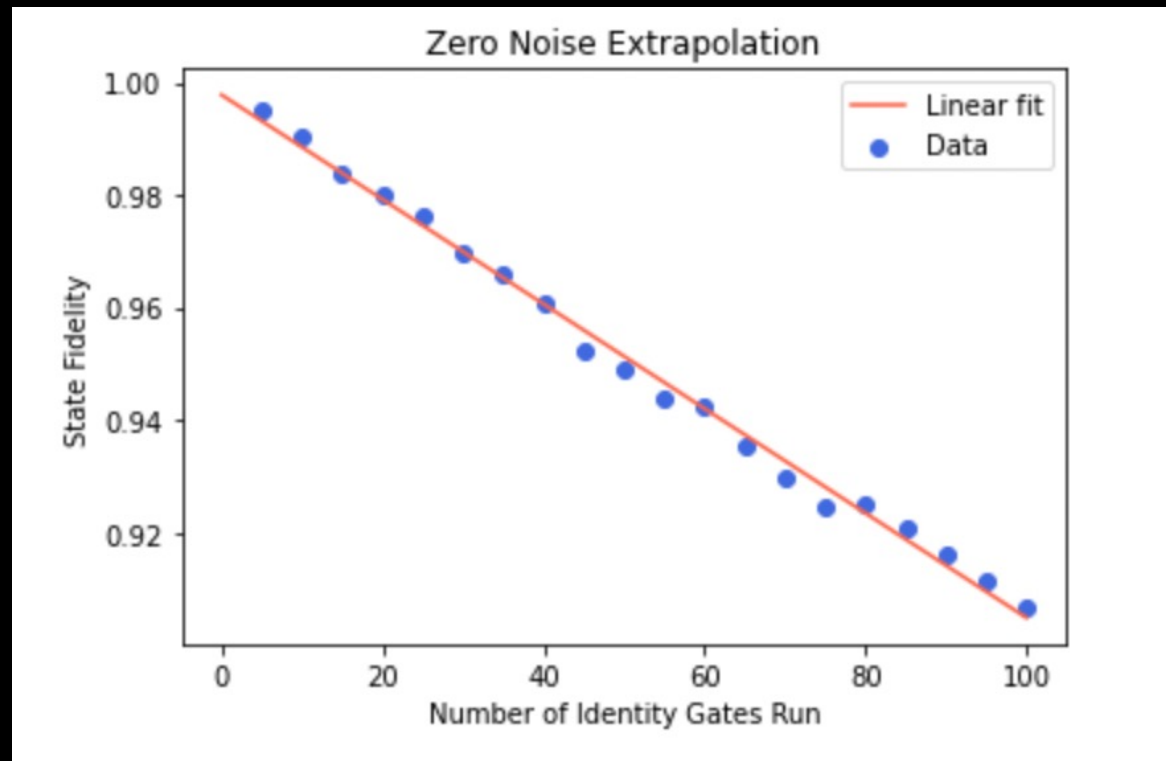
Noise Modelling

- We utilize the Kraus Operator formalism for Noise Channels
- In particular, we experimented with correlation noise with XX and YY Kraus operators corresponding to leaked Rabi Oscillations in trapped ions
- Making this dependent on distance between ions, we characterized cross correlation



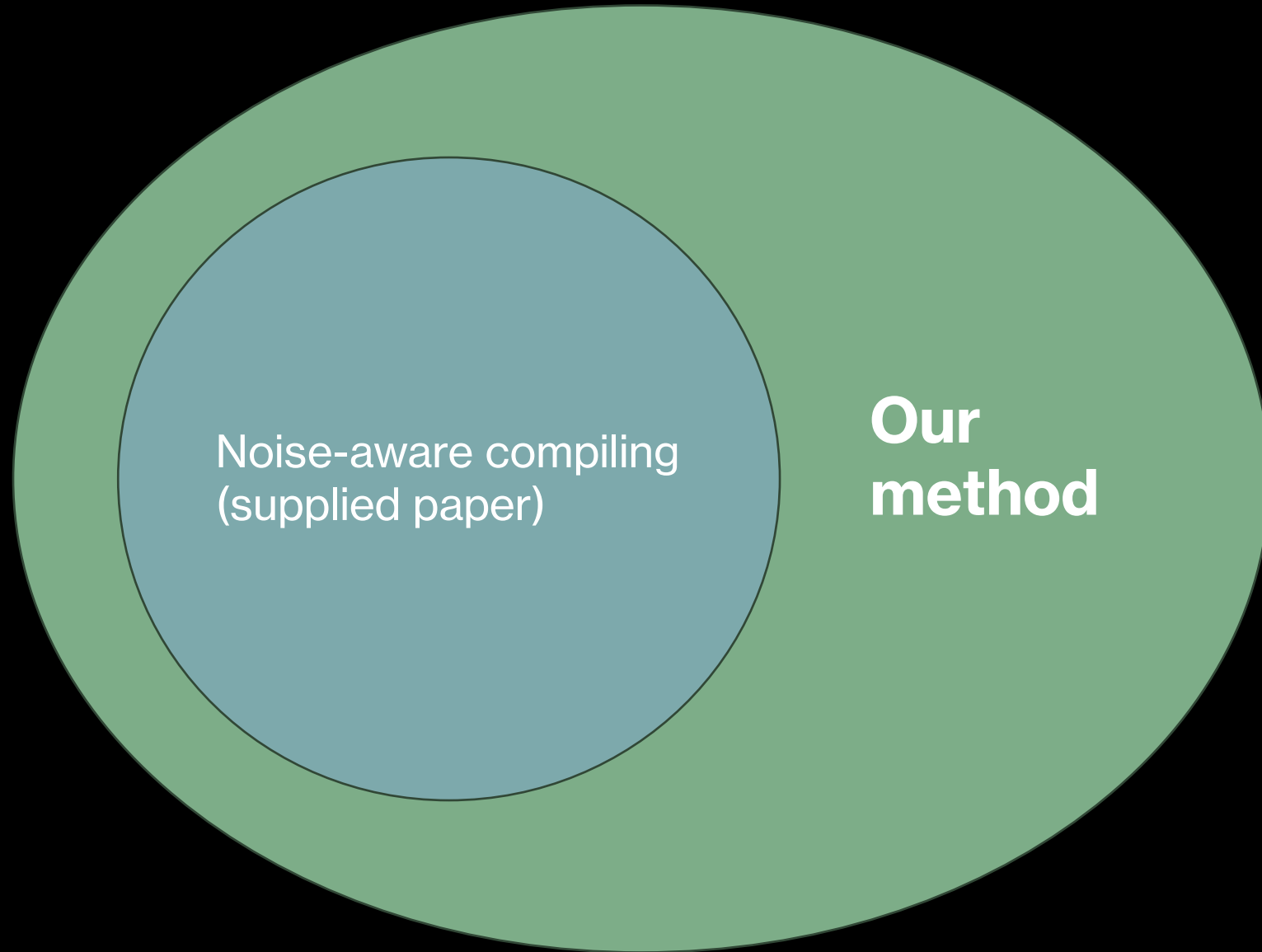
Noise Modelling (cont.)

- Zero error extrapolation for single qubit fidelity characterization
- Running different of identity gates to back extrapolate zero error fidelity for a single qubit



Experimental Results

- We tested our method on a 5-qubit Bernstein-Vazirani on an 11-qubit processor with 2D planar connectivity
- Our approach resulted in a 98.9% average fidelity (vs 98.4 using bare compilation)
- ~30% increase in fidelity (vs. 10-20% using simple EBS noise-aware compilation)



Scalability analysis

- Simultaneous randomized benchmarking (SRB) has negligible overhead
 - + Fidelity evaluations only occur ~once every few days
 - + Construction of the hierarchy tree takes $O(n^4)$ time but also needs to only be constructed once
 - + Edge-based greedy optimization is at most $O(n)$, i.e. not a dominant term
 - + Classical co-computation compiler overhead is insignificant
 - No additional resources to active gate implementations

Applications

- No platform natively supports yet our compilation technique
- Allows for new compilation schemes for every architecture via Braket backend
- E.g. IonQ's high level QIS suite has error mitigation, elementary noise-adaptive mapping, post-selection, native gate compilation, and gate conjugation techniques
 - + Our method implements a novel, circuit-aware structure via Braket
 - + Gaussian correlated noise are a particular challenge in trapped ions

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