

Fine-grained quantum supremacy

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TM and Tamaki, arXiv:1901.01637, 1902.08382



Quantum computing is really faster than classical computing?

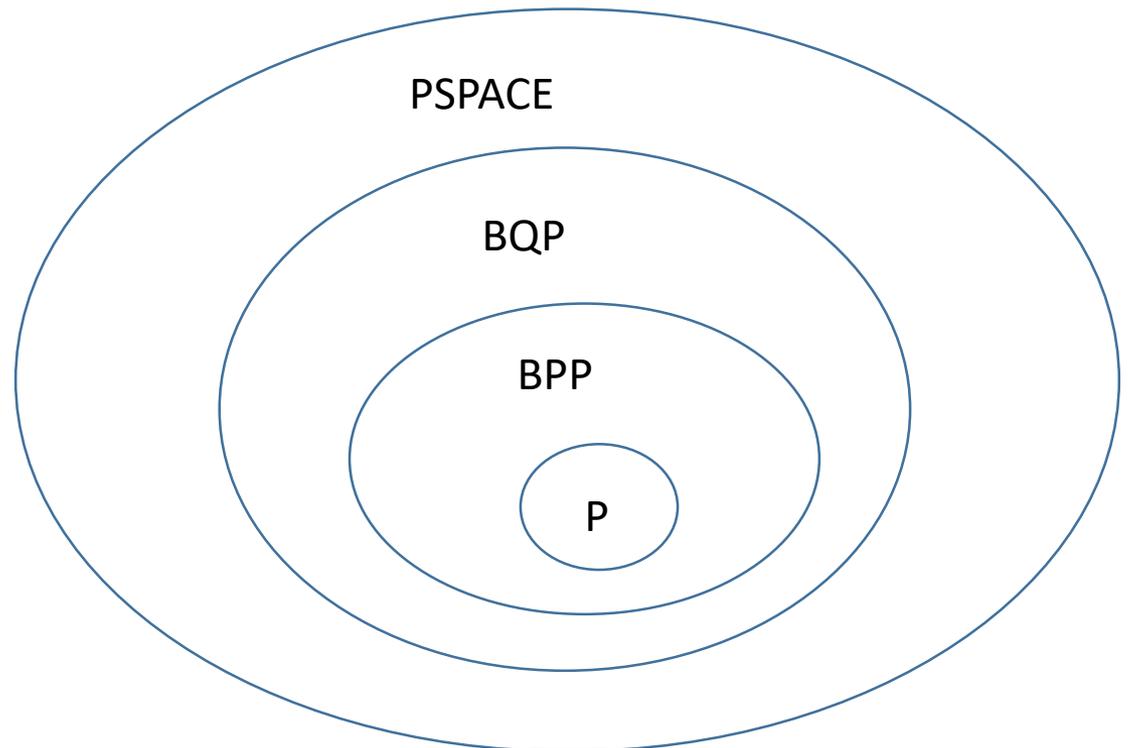
Shor's factoring \rightarrow not showing $BQP \neq BPP$

Simon's algorithm \rightarrow oracle separation of BQP and BPP

Unconditional $BQP \neq BPP$ is open

If $BQP \neq BPP$ is shown then
 $P \neq PSPACE$ is shown

\rightarrow showing $BQP \neq BPP$ is
extremely hard!



What can we do next?

(1) Show “If $BQP=BPP$ then polynomial-time hierarchy collapses”

→ open

(There exists an oracle that separates BQP and P but PH is infinite [Fortnow-Rogers])

(2) Consider other problems than decision problems

→ sampling problem

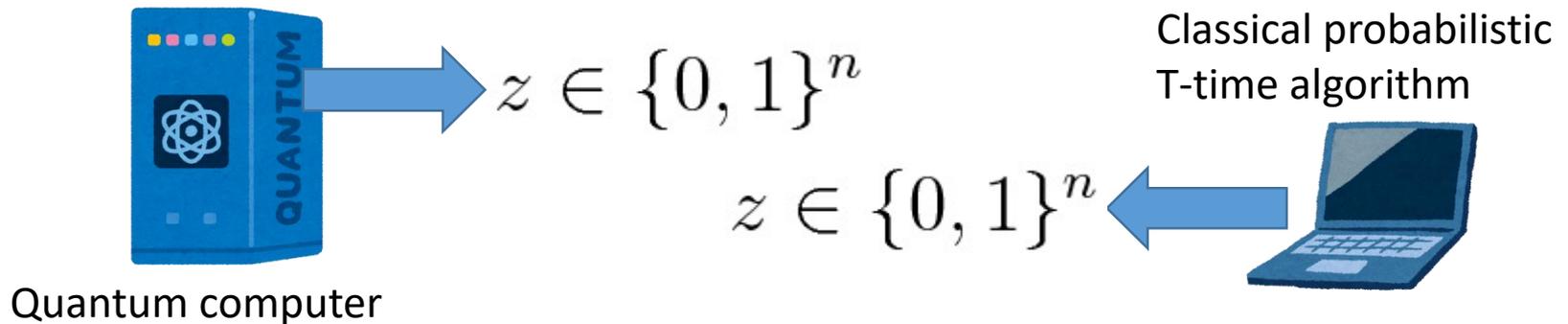
We can show

If quantum computing is classically sampled in polynomial time, then PH collapses

→ This is quantum supremacy, and the main subject of the present paper!

Sampling

We say that a quantum computing is classically sampled within a multiplicative error ϵ in time T if there exists a T -time classical probabilistic algorithm such that



Multiplicative error sampling: $|p_z - q_z| \leq \epsilon p_z$

Probability that
quantum computer
outputs z

Probability that
classical computer
outputs z

If quantum computing is classically sampled within a multiplicative error $\epsilon < 1$ in polynomial time, then PH collapses to the second level.

Advantage: Simpler machine is enough

If QC is classically sampled then PH collapses.

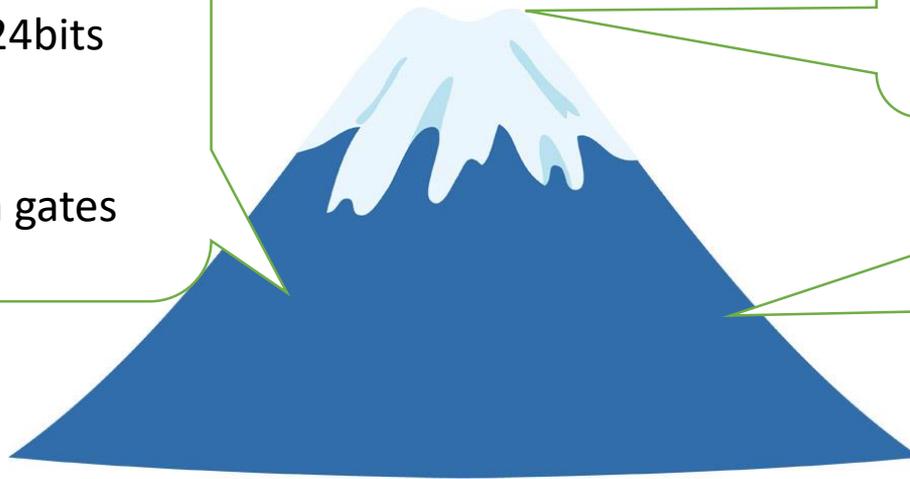
→ QC is not necessarily universal, but can be “weak” machine

Factoring of 1024bits

2000 qubits
 10^{11} quantum gates

Ultimate goal:
Many qubits
universal
Fault-tolerant

Near-term goal
Demonstrate Q
supremacy with weak
machine



Weak machines that exhibit Q supremacy

Depth-4 circuit

Terhal and DiVincenzo, QIC 2004

Boson Sampling

Aaronson and Arkhipov, STOC 2011

Commuting gates(IQP)

Bremner, Jozsa, and Shepherd, Proc. Roy. Soc. A 2010

(Related to classical Ising model [Fujii and TM, NJP 2015])

One-clean qubit model

TM, Fujii, and Fitzsimons, PRL 2014

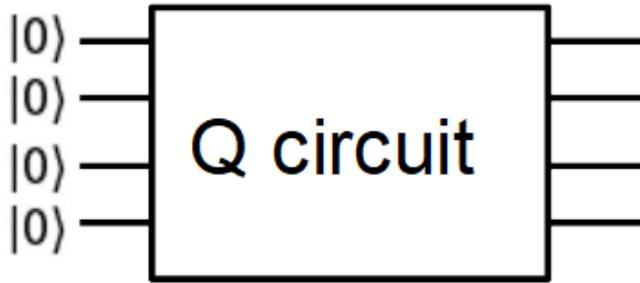
HC1Q model

TM, Nishimura, and Takeuchi, Quantum 2018

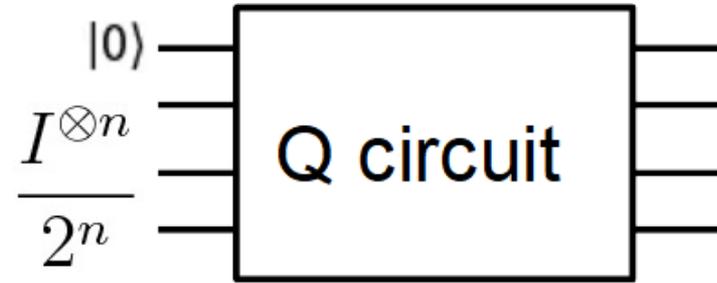
Random gates

Fefferman et al. Nature Phys. 2018

One-clean qubit model



通常の量子計算



One clean qubit model
[Knill and Laflamme, PRL 1998]

Calculating Jones polynomial faster than classical
[Shor and Jordan 2007]

Not here
[Ambainis et al. 2000]

classical

Universal quantum

Fast classical algorithm for Jones polynomial could be found...

Q supremacy of one-clean qubit model

If one-clean qubit model is classically sampled in polynomial time within a multiplicative error <1 , then PH collapses to the 2nd level

TM, Fujii, and Fitzsimons, PRL 2014

Fujii, Kobayashi, TM, Nishimura, Tamate, and Tani, ICALP 2018; PRL 2018

Fine-grained quantum supremacy

All previous quantum supremacy results

→ QC cannot be classically simulated in polynomial time (unless PH collapses)

→ It could be classically simulated in **super-polynomial time**...

→ Can we also exclude exponential-time classical simulation?

→ YES! We can show these models cannot be classically sampled in exponential time (under some conjectures).

“Standard” complexity theory consider only polynomial or not, so it is not enough.

→ fine-grained complexity theory!

Conjectures

SETH:

For any $a > 0$, there exists k such that k -CNF-SAT over n variables cannot be solved

in time $2^{(1-a)n}$

Our conjecture 1:

Let f be a poly-size Boolean circuit over n variables. Then for any $a > 0$,

deciding $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $= 0$ cannot be done in non-deterministic time $2^{(1-a)n}$

$$\text{gap}(f) = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{f(x)}$$

1: k -CNF \rightarrow Boolean circuit

2: $\#f > 0$ or $= 0 \rightarrow \text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $= 0$

3: deterministic time \rightarrow non-deterministic time

Result 1

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Result 1:

Assume that Conjecture 1 is true. Then, for any $a > 0$, there exists an N -qubit one-clean qubit model with $N = \text{poly}(n)$ that cannot be classically sampled within a multiplicative error < 1 in time $2^{(1-a)n}$

If $N = n^{10}$, $2^{(1-a)N^{1/10}}$ -time simulation is prohibited.
Only superpolynomial result.

Result 2

Our conjecture 2:

Let f be a **log-depth** Boolean circuit over n variables. Then for any $a > 0$,

deciding $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $= 0$ cannot be done in non-deterministic time $2^{(1-a)n}$

Result 2:

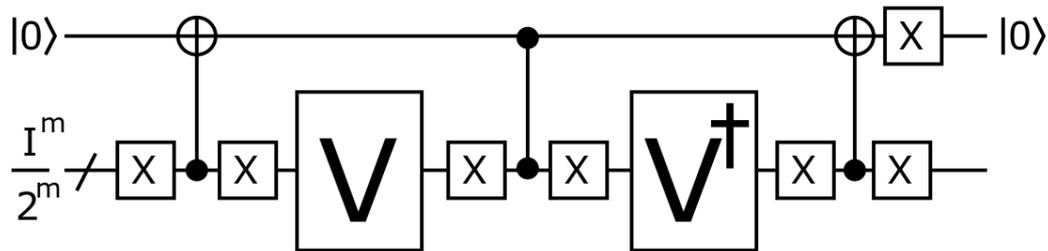
Assume that Conjecture 2 is true. Then, for any $a > 0$, there exists an N -qubit one-clean qubit model that cannot be classically sampled within a multiplicative error < 1 in time $2^{(1-a)(N-3)}$

Exponential-time result!!

Proof idea:

Given Boolean circuit f , construct a one-clean-qubit circuit such that

$$|\langle 0^{n+\xi} | V | 0^{n+\xi} \rangle|^2 = \frac{\text{gap}(f)^2}{2^{\text{poly}(n)}}$$



If $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ then $p_{\text{acc}} > 0$

If $\text{gap}(f) = 0$ then $p_{\text{acc}} = 0$

Assume that p_{acc} is classically sampled in time $2^{\{(1-a)n\}}$ within a multiplicative error $\epsilon < 1$. Then, there exists a classical $2^{\{(1-a)n\}}$ -time algorithm that accepts with probability q_{acc} such that $|p_{\text{acc}} - q_{\text{acc}}| \leq \epsilon p_{\text{acc}}$

If $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ then $q_{\text{acc}} \geq (1 - \epsilon)p_{\text{acc}} > 0$

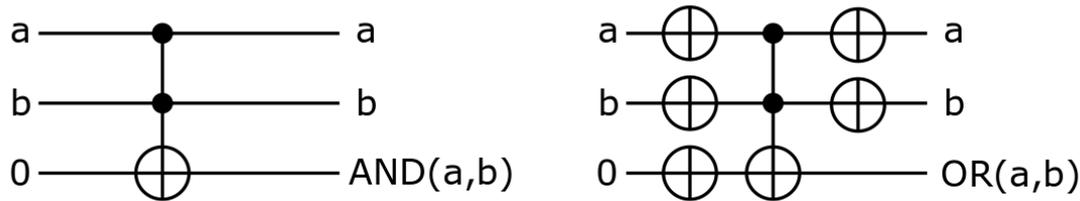
If $\text{gap}(f) = 0$ then $q_{\text{acc}} \leq (1 + \epsilon)p_{\text{acc}} = 0$

Hence, $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $= 0$ can be decided in non-deterministic $2^{\{(1-a)n\}}$ time

→ contradicts to the conjecture!

Given Boolean circuit $f: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

AND and OR can be replaced with Toffoli using ancilla bit



$$U(|x\rangle \otimes |0^\xi\rangle) = |junk(x)\rangle \otimes |f(x)\rangle$$

$$V = H^{\otimes x+\xi} (I^{\otimes x+\xi-1} \otimes Z) U (H^{\otimes n} \otimes I^{\otimes \xi})$$

$$|\langle 0^{n+\xi} | V | 0^{n+\xi} \rangle|^2 = \frac{gap(f)^2}{2^{poly(n)}}$$

For log-depth circuit on n variables, we can construct an $N=n+3$ qubit one-clean-qubit quantum circuit V such that

$$|\langle 0^N | V | 0^N \rangle|^2 = \frac{\text{gap}(f)^2}{2^n}$$

Hence, $2^{(1-a)n} = 2^{(1-a)(N-3)}$ time classical sampling is prohibited

$$V X^a H^b X^a H^b V = X^{a \wedge b}$$

[Cosentino, Kothari, Paetznick, TQC 2013]

Q supremacy based on OV

Conjecture 3:

Given d -dim vectors, $u_1, \dots, u_n, v_1, \dots, v_n \in \{0, 1\}^d$
with $d = \log(n)$.

For any $\delta > 0$ there is a $c > 0$ such that deciding $\text{gap} \neq 0$ or $\text{gap} = 0$ cannot be done in non-deterministic time $n^{2 - \delta}$.

$$\text{gap} = |\{(i, j) \mid u_i \cdot v_j = 0\}| - |\{(i, j) \mid u_i \cdot v_j \neq 0\}|$$

Result 3:

Assume that Conjecture 3 is true. Then, for any $\delta > 0$ there is a $c > 0$ such that there exists an N -qubit quantum computing that cannot be

classically sampled within multiplicative error $\varepsilon < 1$ in time $2^{\frac{(2-\delta)(N-4)}{3c}}$

Proof idea:

We can construct an $N=3d+4$ qubit quantum circuit V such that

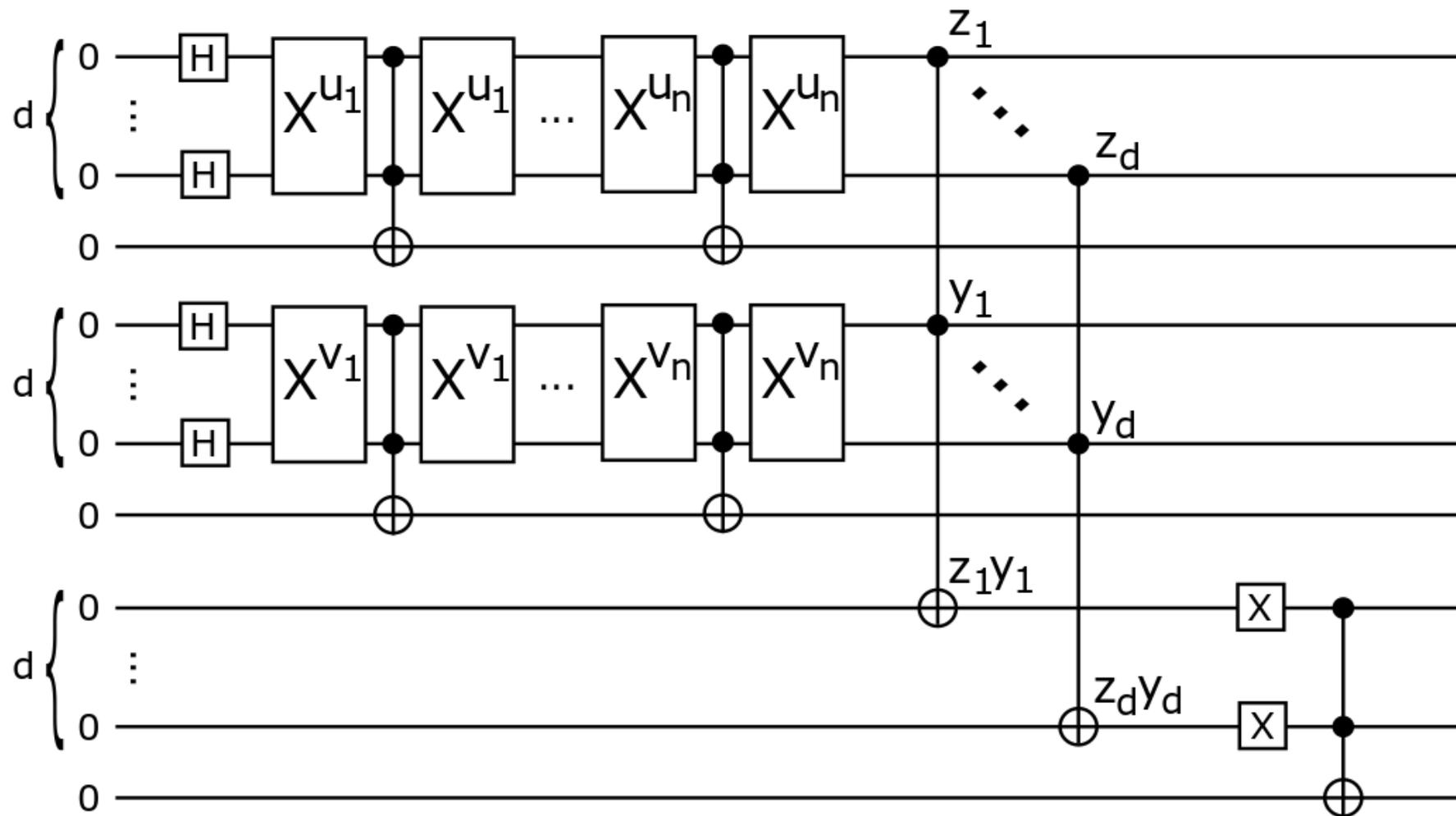
$$p_{acc} = \frac{gap^2}{2^{poly}}$$

If p_{acc} is classically sampled within a multiplicative error <1 in time

$$n^{2-\delta} = 2^{\frac{(2-\delta)(N-4)}{3c}}$$

then conjecture is violated.

$$N = 3d + 4 = 3(c \log n) + 4 \rightarrow n = 2^{\frac{N-4}{3c}}$$



Q supremacy based on 3-SUM

Conjecture 4:

Given the set $S \subset \{-n^{3+\eta}, \dots, n^{3+\eta}\}$ of size n , deciding $gap \neq 0$ or $=0$ cannot be done in non-deterministic $n^{2-\delta}$ time for any $\eta, \delta > 0$.

$$gap = |\{(a, b, c) \mid a + b + c = 0\}| - |\{(a, b, c) \mid a + b + c \neq 0\}|$$

Result 4:

Assume the conjecture 4 is true. Then, for any $\eta, \delta > 0$, there exists an N -qubit quantum computing that cannot be classically sampled within a multiplicative

error $\epsilon < 1$ in time $2^{\frac{(2-\delta)(N-15)}{3(3+\eta)}}$

Proof idea:

We can construct an $N=3r+9$ qubit quantum circuit V such that

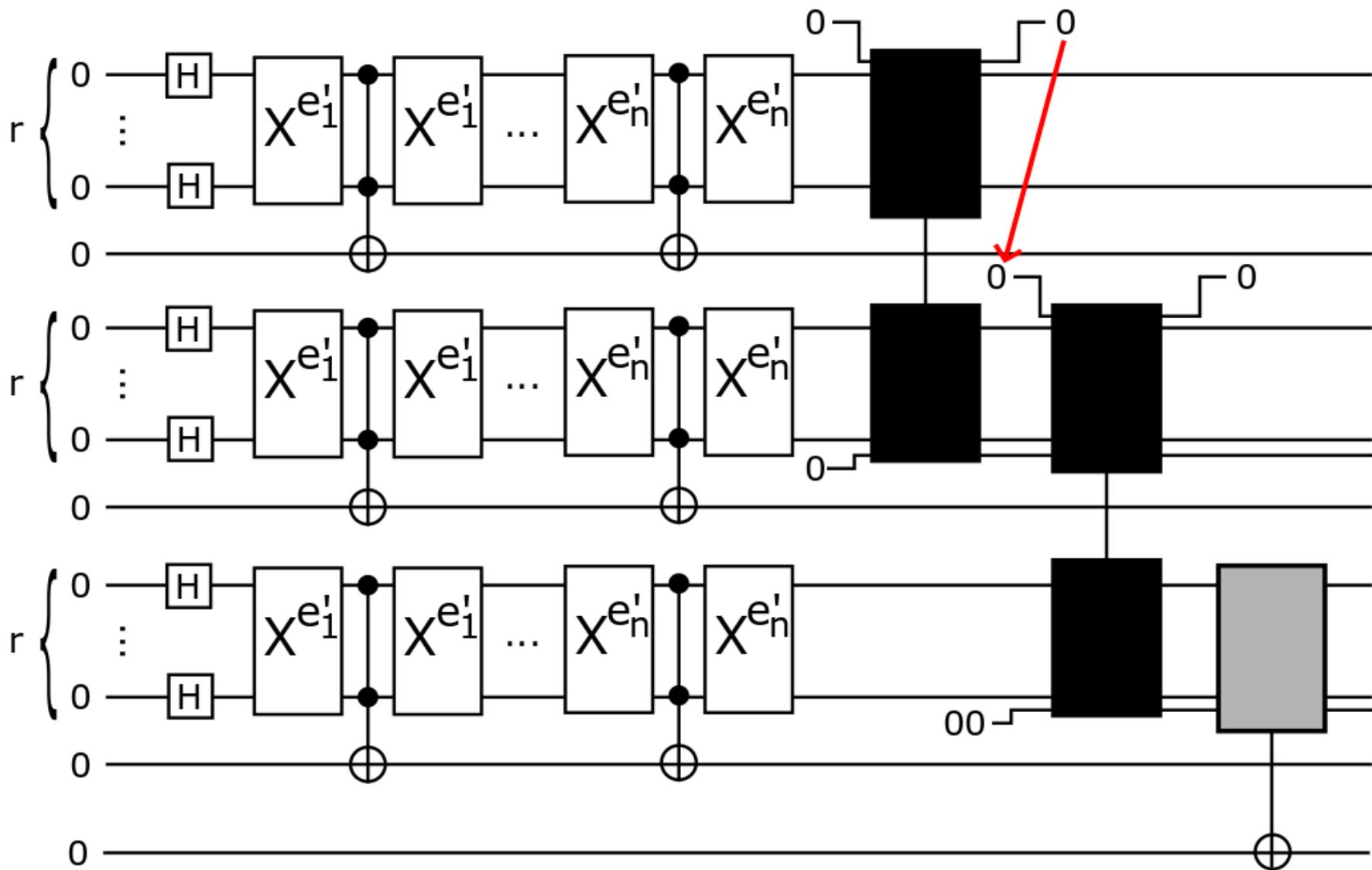
$$p_{acc} = \frac{gap^2}{2^{poly}}$$

If p_{acc} is classically sampled within a multiplicative error <1 in time

$$2^{\frac{(2-\delta)(N-15)}{3(3+\eta)}}$$

then conjecture is violated.

$$n^{2-\delta} \geq 2^{\frac{(2-\delta)(N-15)}{3(3+\eta)}}$$



Clifford+T quantum computing

Clifford gates: H, S=diag(1,i), and CNOT

→Classically simulatable (Gottesman-Knill theorem)

Clifford+T=universal

$$T = \text{diag}(1, e^{i\pi/4})$$

Intuitively, Q circuit with more T is more quantum....

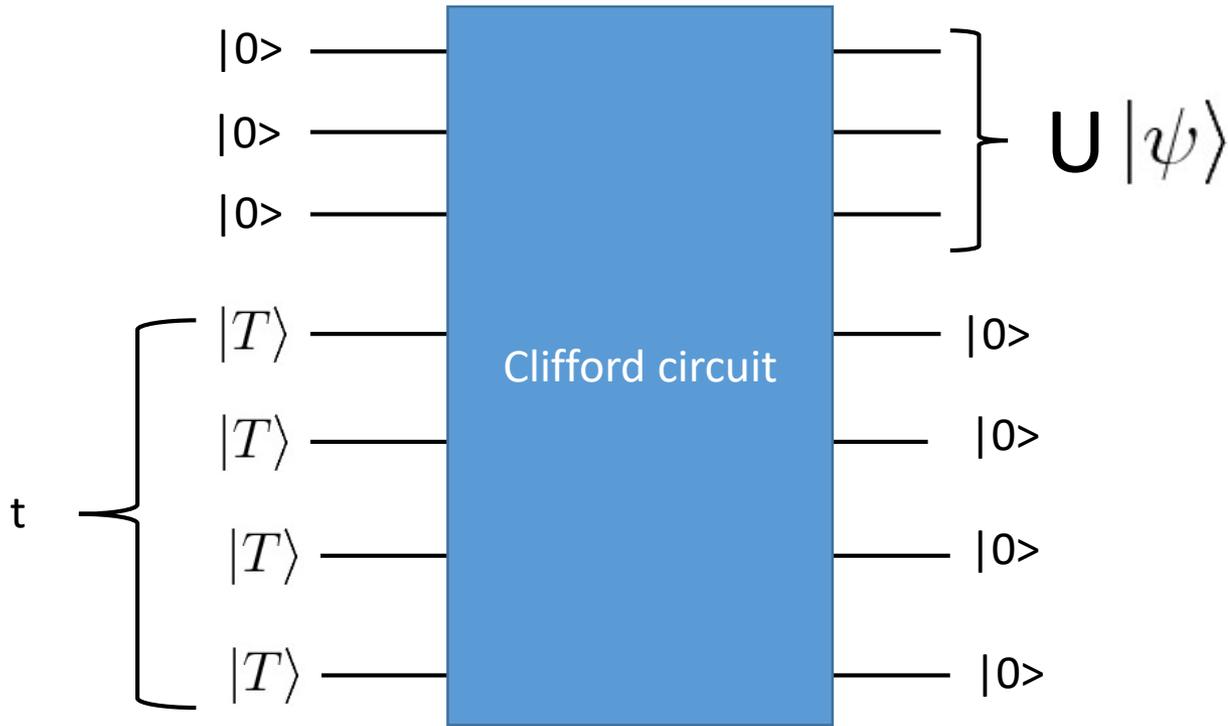
Classical calculation of the acceptance probability of quantum circuit over Clifford and t T gates:

Trivial upperbound: 2^t time (brute force)

Trivial lowerbound: $\text{poly}(t)$ (assuming $\text{BQP} \neq \text{BPP}$)

$2^{\{0.468t\}}$ time [Bravyi-Gosset].

For any Q circuit U over Clifford and t T gates, there exists a Clifford circuit such that



Magic state gadget



$$|T\rangle = \cos \frac{\pi}{8} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\pi}{8} |1\rangle$$

Bravyi-Gosset simulation algorithm

Stabilizer rank $\chi(|\psi\rangle)$: smallest k such that

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j |\phi_j\rangle$$

Stabilizer state
(Clifford gates on $|0\dots 0\rangle$)

$$\begin{aligned}\langle 0^n | U | 0^n \rangle &= \langle 0^n | V (|0^m\rangle \otimes |T\rangle^{\otimes t}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{\chi} c_j \langle 0^n | V (|0^m\rangle \otimes |\phi_j\rangle^{\otimes t})\end{aligned}$$

$$\chi(|T\rangle^{\otimes t}) \leq 2^{0.468t}$$

Therefore, Clifford+T QC can be classically simulated in $2^{0.468t}$ time.

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Can we improve Bravyi-Gosset algorithm to $2^{o(t)}$ time?

→ No (under ETH)

(Huang-Newman-Szegedy also showed independently)

ETH

Let f be a 3-CNF with m clause. Solving SAT for f needs time $2^{\Omega(m)}$

Proof: on the white board

Result for sampling

ETH

Let f be a 3-CNF with m clause. Solving SAT for f needs time $2^{\Omega(m)}$

Conjecture 5:

Let f be a 3-CNF with m clauses. Deciding $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $=0$ needs non-deterministic time $2^{\Omega(m)}$

1. $\#f > 0$ or $=0 \rightarrow \text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $=0$
2. Deterministic time \rightarrow non-deterministic time

Result

Conjecture 5:

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time $2^{\Omega(m)}$

Result 5:

Assume that Conjecture 3 is true. Then, there exists Clifford+T quantum circuit with t T gates that cannot be classically sampled within a

multiplicative error < 1 in time $2^{o(t)}$

Stabilizer rank conjecture

Stabilizer rank: smallest k such that

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^k c_j |\phi_j\rangle$$

Stabilizer state
(Clifford gates on $|0\dots 0\rangle$)

Bravyi and Gosset

$$\chi(|T\rangle^{\otimes t}) \leq 2^{0.468t}$$

Stabilizer-rank conjecture: $\chi(|T\rangle^{\otimes t}) \geq 2^{\Omega(t)}$

Assuming ETH, we can show the stabilizer conjecture
→ unconditional proof is open!

END

Depth-scaling Q supremacy

Conjecture 3:

Let f be an n -variable CNF with at most cn clauses. For any $a > 0$, there exists $c > 0$ such that deciding $\text{gap}(f) \neq 0$ or $\text{gap}(f) = 0$ needs non-deterministic time $2^{(1-a)n}$

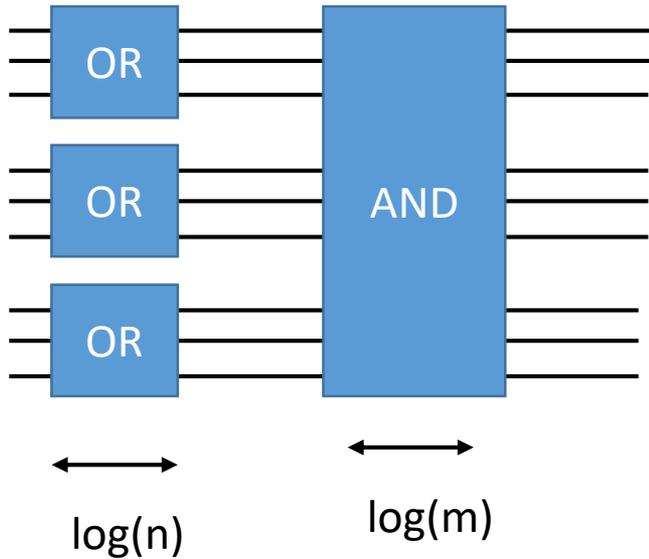
Result 3:

Assume that Conjecture 3 is true. Then, for any $a > 0$ there exists $c > 0$ and a d -depth quantum computing that cannot be classically sampled within a multiplicative error $\epsilon < 1$ in time

$$2^{(1-a)2^{d-\log_2 c-3}}$$

Proof idea

Given n -variable m -clause CNF, naïve quantum circuit (depth $\log(n)+\log(m)$)



$$|AND\rangle = \sum_{x \in \{0,1\}^m} |x\rangle \otimes \left| \prod_{j=1}^m x_j \right\rangle$$

Shallower quantum circuit (depth $\log(m)$)

