# quantum circuit simulations with Tensor Networks



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# Outlines

Simulation methods of general quantum circuits

- Full amplitude
- Single amplitude
- Approximate simulations: MPS, neural networks, path integrals
- Simulation of stabilizer circuits

Simulation of Google's Sycamore quantum circuits

- The big-batch method
- The sparse-state method

# Simulation of quantum circuits

Computing amplitudes

- Full amplitudes
- Single amplitude



Computing expectations

 Energy expectations (VQE, QAOA)



• Sycamore problem





### Quantum circuits



- Start from the initial state
- Applying unitary operators

Full-amplitude simulation: store and update the state vector

#### States and Gates are tensors



 $|\psi_{\text{init}}\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$ 

**Rank one** 



Each dimension of the state vector is independently operated

### States and Gates are tensors



https://ai.googleblog.com/2018/05/the-question-of-quantum-supremacy.html

### Diagram notation of tensor networks



Only Linear operations !!!

# Tensor networks in physics: imposing prior of physical wave functions



In Physics	Out of Physics	Diagram
grouping of indices	unfolding, matricization	$\bigwedge \longrightarrow \oint$
splitting of indices	tensorizing	$\begin{array}{c} & & \downarrow \\ & & & \downarrow \\ & & & \swarrow \end{array}$
matrix product states	tensor train decomposition	
periodic boundary MPS	tensor chain decomposition	
tree tensor networks	hierarchical Tucker decompostion	
single-site DMRG	alternating least square	
two-site DMRG	modified alternating least square	

### Einsum notations of tensor network contractions

$$c = einsum(A,B,"j,j") \qquad c = A \cdot B \qquad \stackrel{A}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{B}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{c}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{c}{\longrightarrow}$$

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#### **Computational complexity**



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-0.688, -0.757, -0.818, -0.872, -0.916, -0.952, -0.978, -0.994, -1.000, -0.996, -0.982, -0.959, -0.926, -0.883, -0.832, -0.773, -0.706, -0.631, -0.551, -0.465, -0.374, -0.279, -0.182, -0.083, 0.017, 0.117, 0.215, 0.312, 0.405, 0.494, 0.578, 0.657, 0.729, 0.794, 0.850, 0.899, 0.938

 $10^6$  data points in a vector









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# Two problems

#### Tensor decomposition

(Design / Learn a circuit)



**Tensor contraction** 

(Simulate a circuit)



Operator	Gate(s)		Matrix	
Pauli-X (X)	$-\mathbf{x}$	$-\oplus$ -	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	
Pauli-Y (Y)	$-\mathbf{Y}$		$egin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	
Pauli-Z (Z)	$-\mathbf{Z}$		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	
Hadamard (H)	$-\mathbf{H}$		$rac{1}{\sqrt{2}} egin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	
Phase (S, P)	$-\mathbf{S}$		$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}$	
$\pi/8~(\mathrm{T})$	$-\mathbf{T}$		$egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{bmatrix}$	
Controlled Not (CNOT, CX)			$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	
Controlled Z (CZ)			$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	
SWAP		_* 	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	

# Gate composition

$$\begin{array}{cccc} |\psi\rangle & & & |\psi\rangle \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & |\psi\rangle \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & \\ |\phi\rangle & & & & & & \\ |\psi\otimes X| = \left\{ Y\otimes X \right\} \\ (Y\otimes X)|\psi\otimes \phi\rangle \\ |\psi\otimes \phi\rangle \\ |\psi\otimes \psi\rangle \\$$

$$Y \otimes X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & -i \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ i \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & 0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Parallel operations

$$|\psi\rangle \left\{ \begin{array}{c} H \\ -H \\ -I \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} H \otimes I \\ -I \end{array} \right\} (H \otimes I) |\psi\rangle \qquad \qquad = \begin{array}{c} H \otimes I \\ -I \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} H \otimes I \\ -I \end{array} \right\} (H \otimes I) |\psi\rangle$$

Full-amplitude simulation: the Schrödinger algorithm



Qulacs

Azure Quantum

Quantum Paddle



 $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$ 

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 $|\psi\rangle = |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle$  Rank one

- Permute+ reshape the tensor to a matrix; reshape the gate to a matrix; apply matrix multiplications
- Use einsum, tensordor ...



 $|\psi
angle$ 

**Rank > 1** 







 $|\psi\rangle$  Rank > 1



 $|\psi\rangle$  Rank = 4



#qubits	Space dimension	Space complexity	Storage Device
10	$2^{10} = 1024$	16 K bytes	
20	$2^{20} = 60536$	16 M bytes	
30	$2^{30} = 1073741824$	16 G bytes	Laptop
40	$2^{40} = 1099511627776$	16 T bytes	Cluster
50	$2^{50} = 112589990684262$	4 16 P bytes	Supercomputer
53	$2^{53} = 900719925474099$	2 128 P bytes	All hard disks of supercomputer



















Problem of the Schrödinger-Feynmann algorithm: Complexity grows exponential with number of cuts




 $|\psi\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$ 

Rank one



 $|\psi\rangle = |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle$  Rank one





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# Canonical forms of MPS

Analogous to the Tucker decomposition and HOSVDs, MPS has the benefits of orthogonality.



- Fixed gauge, no ambiguity
- Easy norm computation
- Easy expectation/ correlation computation
- Always good conditioned





#### Problem of MPS simulation







**Non-local operators** 





#### Results of MPS simulations of 2D circuits with CZ gates





#### Results of MPS simulations of 2D circuits with CZ gates



#### Results of MPS simulations of 2D circuits with fSim gates



```
from sympy import *
theta = symbols('theta')
phi = symbols('phi')
a=Matrix([[1,0,0,cos(theta)],[0,0,I*sin(theta),0],[0,I*sin(theta),0,0],[0,0,0,exp(-I*phi)]])
a.eigenvals()
```

## Results of MPS simulations of Sycamore circuits



**Our results** 

Results of Group MPS simulations of Sycamore circuits



**Our results** 

## Neural network simulation of quantum circuits



Tensor network (e.g. MPS) states: low-rank, weak entanglements efficient and accurate to compute inner product

Neural network states

high-rank

difficult to compute inner products, need sampling

variational optimization with a loss function  $D(|\psi\rangle, A |\psi\rangle)$ 

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#### **2D Tensor Network**

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#### Tensor network contraction and Path Integral



Tensor network contraction and complex Ising model



Final state = Marginals of complex Ising model

Single amplitude  $\langle \psi | s_m \rangle$  = Partition function of complex Ising model

#### Final state and statistical mechanics model



Single amplitude  $\langle \psi | s_m \rangle$  = Energy of complex Stat. Mech.

Classical variational / sampling methods ?



Energy functions are difficult to compute.

Sign problem for sampling hidden variables.

No variational principles for joint amplitude of all variables.

Trading fidelity with complexity

Using approximate state, e.g. MPS

Sampling from a mixed distribution ( a small portion from true distribution + a large part from pure noise)

• Noisy state: 
$$\rho = f |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| + (1-f)\frac{1}{2^n}$$

• 2000 bit strings with from  $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$  and 998000 from uniform distribution

Summing over a fraction of paths in the path-integral representation.

## Simulation of stabilizer circuits

Stabilizer circuits:

• Gates are

CNOT 
$$C_x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
: create entanglements  
Hadamard  $H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ : create superpositions  
Cphase  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$ : add complex phases

• Stabilizer states from  $|000\cdots0\rangle$ 

Creates complex entanglements, but not universal

*Gottesman-Knill Theorem:* Stabilizer circuits can be simulated in polynomial time: storing stabilizers (generators of the stabilizer sub-group) rather than the state

Stabilizers: single qubit

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X^2 = Y^2 = Z^2 = I^2 = I$$

XY = iZ, YX = -iZ, YZ = iX, ZY = -iX, ZX = iY, XZ = -iY

$$|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1 \end{pmatrix} |+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1 \end{pmatrix} |-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\-1 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $Z|0\rangle = |0\rangle$ : Z stabilizes  $|0\rangle$ ,  $X|+\rangle = |+\rangle$ : X stabilizes  $|+\rangle$ 

Stabilizer group for  $|0\rangle$  is  $\{I, Z\} = \langle Z \rangle$ Stabilizer group for  $|+\rangle$  is  $\{I, X\} = \langle X \rangle$  Stabilizers: two and more qubits

GHZ state: 
$$|\phi_{+}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$
  
 $Z_{1}Z_{2}|\phi_{+}\rangle = |\phi_{+}\rangle, X_{1}X_{2}|\phi_{+}\rangle = |\phi_{+}\rangle, -Y_{1}Y_{2}|\phi_{+}\rangle = |\phi_{+}\rangle, I_{1}I_{2}|\phi_{+}\rangle = |\phi_{+}\rangle$ 

Stabilizer group for  $|\phi_+\rangle$  is  $\{II, XX, ZZ, -YY\} = \langle XX, ZZ \rangle$ Stabilizer group for  $|\phi_-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$  is  $\{II, -XX, ZZ, YY\} = \langle -XX, ZZ \rangle$ 

The n-qubit stabilizer states can be determined by a stabilizer group of size  $2^n$ , which has *n* generators.

Rather than storing the state vector  $|\phi\rangle$  with  $2^n$  parameters, storing the *n* stabilizers.

## Stabilizers: check matrix representation

 $P_1 \cong V_4 \cong C_2 \times C_2$   $I \mapsto 00$   $X \mapsto 10$   $Z \mapsto 01$   $Y \mapsto 11$ 

Stabilizers	X checks	Z checks
XIIIII	10000	00000
ZIIIII	00000	10000
IYIIII	01000	01000
IIXZI	00100	00010

*l* rows, each row indicate a stabilizer

*n* columns, corresponding to *n* qubits

There is also a overall phase (not shown here)

## Stabilizer circuits

Now consider the state after a unitary operator *U* applied on an initial state  $|\psi\rangle$  which is stabilized by group *S* with  $g \in S, g |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle$ .

$$U|\psi\rangle = Ug|\psi\rangle = UgU^{\dagger}Ug|\psi\rangle = (UgU^{\dagger})(U|\psi\rangle)$$

- $UgU^{\dagger}$  stabilizes  $U|\psi\rangle$ .
- If  $UgU^{\dagger}$  is also a Pauli operator,  $U|\psi\rangle$  is determined by stabilizers specified by  $UgU^{\dagger}$ .
- No need to store  $U|\psi\rangle$ , just trace the change of S

## Stabilizer circuits

For example:

Hadamard gate *H*:  $HXH^{\dagger} = Z; HYH^{\dagger} = -Y; HZH^{\dagger} = X$ 

Controlled-Not gate *U*:  $C_x X_1 C_x^{\dagger} = X_1 X_2; \quad C_x X_1 C_x^{\dagger} = X_1; \quad C_x Z_1 C_x^{\dagger} = Z_1; \quad C_x Z_2 C_x^{\dagger} = Z_1 Z_2$ 

Phase gate S:  $SXS^{\dagger} = Y; SZS^{\dagger} = Z.$ 

Actually,  $\{H, C_x, S\}$  generates  $N(G_n)$ , the normalizer of  $G_n$ , Pauli group on *n* quits i.e. for  $U \in \langle H, C_x, S \rangle$ ,  $UG_n U^{\dagger} = G_n$  $N(G_n)$  is also known as *Clifford group* 

# Simulation of stabilizer circuits

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To apply H to the  $i^{th}$  qubit:

• Swap the *i*<sup>th</sup> row of the X check to the Z check

To apply S to the  $i^{th}$  qubit:

• Bitwise XOR the  $i^{th}$  row of the X check into the  $i^{th}$  row of the Z check

To apply  $C_x$  from the *i*<sup>th</sup> qubit to the *j*<sup>th</sup> qubit:

- Bitwise XOR the  $i^{th}$  row of the X check into the  $j^{th}$  row of the X check
- Bitwise XOR the  $j^{th}$  row of the Z check into the  $i^{th}$  row of the Z check

Measurements can also be conveniently (commute or anti-commute with stabilizers).

## Google's Sycamore circuits







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#### 53 qubits, 20 cycles

$$\begin{split} \sqrt{X} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -i \\ -i & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \sqrt{Y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \sqrt{W} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\sqrt{i} \\ \sqrt{-i} & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \\ \text{fSim}(\theta, \phi) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -i \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & -i \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{-i\phi} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{c} -Z_1 & \text{product} \\ -Z_2 & \text{product} \\ -Z_2 & \text{fSim}(\theta, \phi) \\ \end{array}$$

## Single qubit gates of Sycamore

Each one is a  $\pi/2$ -rotation around an axis lying on the equator of the Bloch sphere. Up to a global phase, the gates are

$$X^{1/2} \equiv R_X(\pi/2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -i \\ -i & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$
  
$$Y^{1/2} \equiv R_Y(\pi/2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$
 single-qubit Clifford gates

$$W^{1/2} \equiv R_{X+Y}(\pi/2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\sqrt{i} \\ \sqrt{-i} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 non-Cliford gate.  
=  $(X+Y)/\sqrt{2}$ 

Quantum supremacy

A specific computational task

• No matter whether it is "useful"

Beyond the capabilities of classical super-computers

In the NISQ era:

- Noisy (no error correction)
- Circuits are not so deep
- Fidelity of gates are high

## Quantum supremacy

Aaronson and Chen's conjecture:

A random circuit *U* with *n* qubits and depth  $\sim \sqrt{n}$ , no classical algorithm can guess if

 $\langle 0^n | U | 0^n \rangle > \text{Median} \left( \langle 0^n | U | 0^n \rangle \right)$ With probability  $\frac{1}{2} + O(2^{-n})$ 



## **Statistical Mechanics**

$$\mathbf{S} = \{+1, -1\}^n \qquad \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$$
$$P(\mathbf{S}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta E(\mathbf{S})} \qquad Z = \sum_{\mathbf{s}} e^{-\beta E(\mathbf{S})}$$



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- Estimating the free energy
- Computing observables / order parameters
- Sampling



Tensor network for Statistical Mechanics

$$\mathbf{S} = \{+1, -1\}^n \qquad \qquad \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$$

Any discrete probability distribution is a tensor,

$$P(\mathbf{S}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta E(\mathbf{S})} = \frac{1}{Z} \widetilde{P}$$

decomposed using tensor networks.

Computing normalization of a discrete probability distribution

$$Z = \left\| \widetilde{P} \right\|_{1} = \widetilde{P} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{2^{n}}^{\top} = \widetilde{P} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \cdots \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{n},$$




#### Tensor networks for the Ising spin glasses



all other elements are 0





#### Stat. Mech. $\longrightarrow$ Qu

#### **Quantum Computer Simulation**



**Statistical Mechanics** 









**Quantum Circuits** 



Partition function of stat. mech. with complex interactions

single amplitude computation of quantum circuit

### Random circuits

For a random circuit *U* with gates drawn randomly from universal set

• Final state 
$$|\psi\rangle = U|0\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} \psi(s_i) |s_i\rangle$$

- Probability distribution  $P_U(s_i) = |\langle s_i | \psi \rangle|^2 = |\psi(s_i)|^2$
- Both real and imaginary part of  $\psi(s_i)$  are uniform random variables on a  $2^n$  Hilbert space with mean 0 and variance  $2^{-n}$
- Porter-Thomas distribution  $Prob(Np) = e^{-Np}$  with  $N = 2^n$



## Google's Quantum Supremacy experiments



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0 0

• 53 qubits, 20 cycles

$$fSim(\theta, \phi) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -i \sin \theta \\ 0 & -i \sin \theta & \cos \theta \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 1 million samples in 200 Sec.
- Linear Cross Entropy Fidelity (XEB)  $\approx$  0.002
- Classic algorithm requires 10,000 years on Summit



$$F_{\text{XEB}} = 2^n \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \{1,0\}^n} q(\mathbf{s}) p_U(\mathbf{s}) - 1$$
$$= 2^n \langle p_U(\mathbf{s}) \rangle_q - 1$$
$$\approx \frac{2^n}{m} \sum_{\mathbf{s} \sim q} p_U(\mathbf{s}) - 1$$

### Google's Sycamore circuits







#### Fig courtesy: Huang et al 2020

### Two kinds of circuits



Pattern of Supremacy circuits



Pattern of Simplifiable circuits

Arute et al, Nature 2019

## Error model of Google's circuits

- all errors in the evolving quantum state may be characterized by a set of localized Pauli errors (bit-flips or phase-flips)
- discrete and probabilistic
- system fidelity is well predicted by a simple model in which the individually characterized fidelities of each gate are multiplied together

 $\implies$ a predictive uncorrelated error model up to a Hilbert space of size 2<sup>53</sup>

#### Error model of Google's circuits



## Fidelity measure

Not possible to output the (noisy) final state  $|\phi
angle$ 

- Quantum device can only sample from it
- Not possible to compute the fidelity  $|\langle \psi | \phi \rangle|^2$

Approximate estimates:

- KL divergence
- Cross entropy
- Logarithm cross entropy
- Linear cross entropy

Entropy

 $|\psi\rangle = U|0\rangle$  is the final state of the circuit U

 $P_U(s) = |\langle s | \psi \rangle|^2 = |\psi(s)|^2$  is the distribution of bitstring s

*m* samples  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m\}$  are drawn from  $P_U(s)$ . The joint probability of generating *S* is

$$P(S) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} P(s_i)$$
  
And  $\log P(S) = \sum_{i=1}^{i=1} \log P(s_i) = -mH(P_U) + O(m^{1/2})$ 

where

$$H(P_U) = -\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} P_U(s_i) \log P_U(s_i)$$
 is the entropy of  $P_U$ .

Cross Entropy of the true distribution

For the true output distribution of the random circuit U with a sufficient depth.

The prob. Follows the Porter-Thomas distribution  $Prob(Np) = e^{-Np}$ 

The entropy is computed as

$$H(P_U) = -\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} P_U(s_i) \log P_U(s_i) = -\int_0^\infty dp \log p N^2 e^{-Np} = \log N - 1 + \gamma$$

 $\gamma \approx 0.577$  is the Euler's gamma constant.

## Cross Entropy of the generation distribution

For a generation distribution q(s) (given e.g. by a classic algorithm) where *m* samples  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_m\}$  are drawn from.

The probability of observing samples *S* on the circuit *U*  $Prob(S) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} P_U(s_i)$   $log Prob(S) = \sum_{\substack{i=1\\2^n}}^{m} log P_U(s_i) = -mH(q, P_U) + O(m^{1/2})$   $H(q, P_U) = -\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i)log P_U(s_i) \text{ :cross entropy between q and } P_U.$ 

e.g. 
$$H(q_{\text{uni}}, P_U) = -\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} 2^{-n} \log P_U(s_i) = \log N + \gamma = H_0$$
  
Notice that  $H(P_U) = \log N - 1 + \gamma$ 

## Cross Entropy and the KL divergence

$$\begin{split} H(q, P_U) &= -\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i) \log P_U(s_i) \\ &= -\left(\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i) \log P_U(s_i) - \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i) \log q(s_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i) \log q(s_i)\right) \\ &= -\left(\sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i) [\log P_U(s_i) - \log q(s_i)] + \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} q(s_i) \log q(s_i)\right) \\ &= -D_{\mathrm{KL}} + H(q) \\ D_{\mathrm{KL}} &= H(q) - H(q, P_u) \ge 0 \\ &\Longrightarrow H(q, P_u) \le H(q) \end{split}$$

## Cross Entropy Benchmark

Use difference of Cross Entropy to define how well the generation distribution q(s) can predict the output of the circuit U

$$\Delta H(q) = H_0 - H(q, P_U)$$
$$= \sum_i \left( q(s_i) - \frac{1}{N} \right) \log P_U(s_i)$$

- 0 for uniform distribution  $q_{uni}$
- 1 for true distribution  $P_U(s)$

### Cross Entropy Benchmark (XEB)

#### Logarithm XEB

$$F_{\log XEB} = \langle \log N \log P_U(s) \rangle_q + \gamma$$
$$= \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \{1,0\}^n} q(\mathbf{s}) \log N \log p_U(\mathbf{s}) + \gamma$$
$$\approx \frac{1}{m} \sum_{s \sim q} \log N \log p_U(\mathbf{s}) + \gamma$$

Linear XEB

$$F_{\text{XEB}} = 2^n \langle p_U(\mathbf{s}) \rangle_q - 1$$
  
=  $2^n \sum_{\mathbf{s} \in \{1,0\}^n} q(\mathbf{s}) p_U(\mathbf{s}) - 1$   
 $\approx \frac{2^n}{m} \sum_{\substack{s \sim q}} p_U(\mathbf{s}) - 1$ 



Arute et al. Nature 2019



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FIG. S50. Scaling of the computational cost of XEB using SA and SFA. a, For a Schrödinger algorithm, the limitation is RAM size, shown as vertical dashed line for the Summit supercomputer. Circles indicate full circuits with n = 12 to 43 qubits that are benchmarked in Fig. 4a of the main paper. 53 qubits would exceed the RAM of any current supercomputer, and is shown as a star. b, For the hybrid Schrödinger-Feynman algorithm, which is more memory efficient, the computation time scales exponentially in depth. XEB on full verifiable circuits was done at depth m = 14 (circle). c, XEB on full supremacy circuits is out of reach within reasonable time resources for m = 12, 14, 16 (stars), and beyond. XEB on patch and elided supremacy circuits was done at m = 14, 16, 18, and 20.

#### Arute et al, Nature 2019

## Simulation methods

#### Full amplitudes:

- Storing full state-vector [Yao.jl, Qiskit, Qulacs, Cirq...]
- Schrödinger-Feynmann
- MPS [PRX 10, 041038 (2020)]

#### Single/batch amplitudes:

- PEPS based / QuickBB order (single amplitude)
- Cotengra (single amplitude)
- Alibaba ACQDP (64-amplitude batch)
- Big-batch method [arXiv:2103.03074]
- Recursive multi-tensor contraction [aXiv:2108.05665]
- Sparse-state method [arXiv:2111.03011]





## Full amplitude simulations

Once you can store the state-vector, you can simulate the circuit with an arbitrary depth.



Because the tree width of the 3D graph is influenced heavily by the size of the boundary

#### Full amplitude simulation: exponential space complexity



Leveraging Secondary Storage to Simulate Deep 54-qubit Sycamore Circuits

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Disk All-to-5Q Tensor Contracalls kernels tion % of trasfers ranks Compute per disk per disk Num total Achieved per disk cost tot. time per Tensor slice slice slice socket FLOPs time PFLOPS gates (days) 0.000977 28 28 0.08% 0.0308 84 0.002082 2 0.000977 25 27 84 0.001859 0.07% 0.0173 31  $1.181 \cdot 10^{21}$ 0.117058 4.59% 116.7304 Contraction 32 63 0.010658 0.42% 18.4865 3.3 16 32 23 17.9975 3.4 1 6 0.003997 0.16% 3.5 1 8 32 26 0.005329 0.21% 15.2587 Disk write 1 1 Disk read 1 1 0.29% 4.4 11 32 49 0.007327 20.9141 4.5 10 32 21.1275 1 45 0.006661 0.26% Disk write 1 1 Disk read 1 1 9 5.5 32 35 0.005995 0.24% 18.2583 7 32 5.6 1 21 0.004663 0.18% 14.0850 Disk write 1 1 Subtotals  $1.181 \cdot 10^{21}$ Compute 120 0.165631 6.50% 87.4462 9.001953 0.487725 All-to-alls 19.13% 5 Disk I/O 1.896296 74.37% 5 120 430 Total 9.001953 32.67243 2.549652 100.00% 87.4462

#### Tensor network methods

Simulating quantum computation by contracting tensor networks Igor L. Markov<sup>1</sup> and Yaoyun Shi<sup>2</sup> Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science The University of Michigan 2260 Hayward Street Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2121, USA E-mail: {imarkov|shiyy}@eecs.umich.edu Abstract The treewidth of a graph is a useful combinatorial measure of how close the graph is to a tree. We prove that a quantum circuit with T gates whose underlying graph has treewidth d can be simulated deterministically in  $T^{O(1)} \exp[O(d)]$  time, which, in particular, is polynomial in T if  $d = O(\log T)$ . Among many implications, we show efficient simulations for log-depth circuits whose gates apply to nearby qubits only, a natural constraint satisfied by most physical implementations. We also show that one-way quantum computation of Raussendorf and Briegel (Physical Review Letters, 86:5188-5191, 2001), a universal quantum computation scheme with promising physical implementations, can be efficiently simulated by a randomized algorithm

Markov, Shi arXiv:quant-ph/0511069 Treat tensor networks as graphical models

if its quantum resource is derived from a small-treewidth graph.

### TN and graphical model

Simulation of low-depth quantum circuits as complex undirected graphical models Sergio Boixo,<sup>1</sup> Sergei V. Isakov,<sup>1</sup> Vadim N. Smelyanskiy,<sup>1</sup> and Hartmut Neven<sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup>Google Inc., Venice, CA 90291, USA (Dated: January 23, 2018) Near term quantum computers with a high quantity (around 50) and quality (around 0.995 fidelity for two-qubit gates) of qubits will approximately sample from certain probability distributions beyond the capabilities of known classical algorithms on state-of-the-art computers, achieving the first milestone of so-called quantum supremacy. This has stimulated recent progress in classical algorithms to simulate quantum circuits. Classical simulations are also necessary to approximate the fidelity of multiqubit quantum computers using cross entropy benchmarking. Here we present numerical results of a novel classical simulation algorithm to calculate output probabilities of universal random circuits with more qubits and depth than previously reported. For example, circuits with 5  $\times$  9 qubits of depth 40, 7  $\times$  8 qubits of depth 30, and 10  $\times$  ( $\kappa$  > 10)) qubits of depth 19 are all easy to sample by calculating around one thousand measurements in a single workstation. Cross entropy benchmarking with around one million measurements for these circuits is now also possible in a computer cluster. The algorithm is related to the "Feynman path" method to simulate quantum circuits. For low-depth circuits, the algorithm scales exponentially in the depth times the smaller lateral dimension, or the treewidth, as explained in Boixo et. al. [1], and therefore confirms the bounds in that paper. In particular, circuits with  $7 \times 7$  qubits and depth 40 remain currently out of reach. Follow up work on a supercomputer environment will tighten this bound.

- Treat tensor networks as graphical models
- Treat tensor network contraction as node elimination in graphical models
- Use heuristics (e.g. QuickBB) for finding an elimination order

## Slicing

#### **Classical Simulation of Intermediate-Size Quantum Circuits**

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We introduce a distributed classical simulation algorithm for general quantum circuits, and present numerical results for calculating the output probabilities of universal random circuits. We find that we can simulate more qubits to greater depth than previously reported using the cluster supported by the Data Infrastructure and Search Technology Division of the Alibaba Group. For example, computing a single amplitude of an  $8 \times 8$  qubit circuit with depth 40 was previously beyond the reach of supercomputers. Our algorithm can compute this within 2 minutes using a small portion ( $\approx 14\%$  of the nodes) of the cluster.

Furthermore, by successfully simulating quantum supremacy circuits of size  $9 \times 9 \times 40$ ,  $10 \times 10 \times 35$ ,  $11 \times 11 \times 31$ , and  $12 \times 12 \times 27$ , we give evidence that noisy random circuits with realistic physical parameters may be simulated classically. This suggests that either harder circuits or error-correction may be vital for achieving quantum supremacy from random circuit sampling.

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- Treat tensor networks as graphical models
- Use slow-heuristics (e.g. QuickBB) for find a elimination order

#### Dynamic slicing

#### Partitioning-based contraction order



#### Hyper-optimized tensor network contraction

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#### Amplitudes to samples

# Quantum Supremacy Is Both Closer and Farther than It Appears

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- Small uncorrelated batch (about 10) for one perfect sample
- Frugal sampling

#### Approximate simulation using MPSs

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#### What Limits the Simulation of Quantum Computers?

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An ultimate goal of quantum computing is to perform calculations beyond the reach of any classical computer. It is therefore imperative that useful quantum computers be very difficult to simulate classically, otherwise classical computers could be used for the applications envisioned for the quantum ones. Perfect quantum computers are unarguably exponentially difficult to simulate: the classical resources required grow exponentially with the number of qubits N or the depth D of the circuit. This difficulty has triggered

#### Amplitudes to samples

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#### ARTICLE OPEN A flexible high-performance simulator for verifying and benchmarking quantum circuits implemented on real hardware

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Here we present qFlex, a flexible tensor network-based quantum circuit simulator. qFlex can compute both the exact amplitudes, essential for the verification of the quantum hardware, as well as low-fidelity amplitudes, to mimic sampling from Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum (NISQ) devices. In this work, we focus on random quantum circuits (RQCs) in the range of sizes expected for supremacy experiments. Fidelity *f* simulations are performed at a cost that is 1/*f* lower than perfect fidelity ones. We also present a technique to eliminate the overhead introduced by rejection sampling in most tensor network approaches. We benchmark the simulation of square lattices and Google's Bristlecone QPU. Our analysis is supported by extensive simulations on NASA HPC clusters Pleiades and Electra. For our most computationally demanding simulation, the two clusters combined reached a peak of 20 Peta Floating Point Operations per Second (PFLOPS) (single precision), i.e., 64% of their maximum achievable performance, which represents the largest numerical computation in terms of sustained FLOPs and the number of nodes utilized ever run on NASA HPC clusters. Finally, we introduce a novel multithreaded, cache-efficient tensor index permutation algorithm of general application.

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- Small correlated batch (about 10) for one perfect sample
- Frugal sampling

## Combining partition-order and Frugal sampling

#### **Classical Simulation of Quantum Supremacy Circuits**

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- Small batch (64) for one perfect sample
- Frugal sampling
- Single tensor-network contraction for each batch

#### Simulated annealing for order/slicing finding

**Recursive Multi-Tensor Contraction for XEB Verification of Quantum Circuits** 

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The computational advantage of noisy quantum computers have been demonstrated by sampling the bitstrings of quantum random circuits. An important issue is how the performance of quantum devices could be quantified in the so-called "supremacy regime". The standard approach is through the linear cross entropy (XEB), where the theoretical value of the probability is required for each bitstring. However, the computational cost of XEB grows exponentially. So far, random circuits of the 53-qubit Sycamore chip was verified up to 10 cycles of gates only; the XEB fidelities of deeper circuits were approximated with simplified circuits instead. Here we present a multitensor contraction algorithm for speeding up the calculations of XEB of quantum circuits, where the computational cost can be significantly reduced through a recursive manner with some form of memoization. As a demonstration, we analyzed the experimental data of the 53-qubit Sycamore chip and obtained the exact values of the corresponding XEB fidelities up to 16 cycles using only moderate computing resources (few GPUs). If the algorithm was implemented on the Summit supercomputer, we estimate that for the 20-cycles supremacy circuits, it would only cost 7.5 days, which is several orders of magnitudes lower than previously estimated in the literature.



$m \mid$	k		Contraction cost		~	Time (days or years)		
	'n	1  amp  (S)	k  amps (M)	S	М	S	Μ	gain
12	0.5M	$1.8\cdot 10^{13}$	$2.8\cdot 10^{17}$	61%	43%	94 d	4.3 d	22x
14	0.5M	$1.0\cdot 10^{14}$	$1.9\cdot 10^{18}$	60%	60%	$538 \mathrm{d}$	21 d	25x
16	2M	$8.9\cdot10^{16}$	$1.4\cdot 10^{19}$	63%	48%	$5000 {\rm \ y}$	0.5 y	10000x

Verifying the Sycamore circuits up to 16 cycles

Local moves

## The big-batch method

 $|0\rangle$ 

 $|0\rangle$ 

 $|0\rangle$ 

 $|0\rangle$ 







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### 4 kinds of boundary conditions



-0

-0

**Batch-amplitude** 

### Contraction order







#### Contraction order and contraction tree



Time complexity:  $d^3 + d^3 + d^3 + d^2$ 





Time complexity:  $d^2 + d^2 + d^2 + d^2$ 



## Complexity of the contraction tree





Space complexity:

- size of the largest tensor in the contraction tree
- Optimal space complexity: exp(*W*), *W* is the tree width of the graph

Time complexity:

- Time complexity of each node is the product of dimensions associated with edges
- Time complexity of the contraction tree is the time complexity of each node (usually dominated by the largest one)

## Find a contraction tree to minimize the complexity





Greedy algorithms

Partitioning based algorithms [Gray/Kourtis 2021]

Simulated-annealing-based algorithm [Kalachev et al 2021]
Slicing В Α В 1 0 m k m k D D С С Α В  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ m m k D D С С k =k = 2 $\sum_{i} \sum_{j} \sum_{k} \sum_{l} \sum_{m} A_{ikm} B_{ij} C_{jkl} D_{lm} = \sum_{k=1}^{2} \left( \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \sum_{l} \sum_{m} A_{ikm} B_{ij} C_{jkl} D_{lm} \right)$ 

Slicing



The index k is sliced and the contraction of the original tensor network becomes summation of  $d_k$  sub-tasks

#### big-batch of amplitudes using the big-head algorithm





14 cycles



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# Correlated bitstrings

bitstring	amplitude	probability
000000000000000000000000000000000000000	$-2.97 \times 10^{-8} + 2.06 \times 10^{-8}i$	$1.31 \times 10^{-15}$
000000000000000000000000000000000000000	$1.50 \times 10^{-8} + 3.85 \times 10^{-9}i$	$2.39\times10^{-16}$
0000000001110000011111000011111000011111	$-3.17 \times 10^{-9} - 5.45 \times 10^{-9}i$	$3.97 \times 10^{-17}$
0000000001110000011111000011111000011110000	$-1.89 \times 10^{-10} + 3.13 \times 10^{-9}i$	$9.86 \times 10^{-18}$
000000000000000000000000000000000000000	$8.07 \times 10^{-10} + 4.35 \times 10^{-10}i$	$8.41 \times 10^{-19}$



20 cycles

#### A big batch of amplitudes



# Big-batch $\longrightarrow$ full amplitude simulation





#### 43-qubit Sycamore circuit

#### # qubits to simulate

Google's paper:	Julich Supercomputer 100,000 cores 250T meomory	Full amplitudes	49 qubits	Taihu light supercomputer [Li et al. IEEE PDS 2019]
<b>Big-batch</b>		<b>Big-batch</b>	50 qubits	100 GPUs
algorithm	1 GPU	algorithm		

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Spoofing the Linear Cross Entropy Benchmark (XEB)For supremacy circuits with $F_{XEB} = 2^n \sum_{s \in \{1,0\}^n} q(s) p_U(s) - 1$ 53 qubits and 20 cycles $= 2^n \langle p_U(s) \rangle_q - 1$ 



 $2^{21}$  exact probabilities  $P_U(\mathbf{s})$  verifying the Porter-Thomas distribution

 $\approx \frac{2^n}{m} \sum p_U(\mathbf{s}) - 1$ 2.0 1.5  $F_{\rm XEB}$ 1.0 0.5 0.0 20% 40% 60% 80% 100% Percentage of bitstrings

> Post-sampling Selecting 1 million bitstrings, XEB=0.739

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#### Computational cost

	Computational complexity	Computation hardward	Time
Google [Arute et. al., 2019] (Estiamted)		Summit Super Computer	10,000 Years
IBM [Pednault et. al., 2019] <b>(Estimated)</b>	$1.18 \times 10^{21}$	Summit Super Computer (all disks)	2.5 days
Alibaba [Huang et. al., 2020] (Estimated)	$1.33 \times 10^{22}$	Summit Super Computer	20 days
Ours [arXiv:2103.03074] (Computed) Correlated sampling	$4.51 \times 10^{18}$	60 NVIDIA GPUs	5 days

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## Parallel Computation with GPUs



CPU

• Intel CPUs: 3 GFlops / core , 32 Cores



GPU

- NVIDIA Tesla V100 FP32 performance: 14.13 TFLOPS
- NVIDIA Tesla A100 FP32 performance: 19.5 TFLOPs



Implementing the big-batch approach on a super computer reduces the computation time from 5 days to 314 seconds



#### Closing the "Quantum Supremacy" Gap: Achieving Real-Time Simulation of a Random Quantum Circuit Using a New Sunway Supercomputer

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# Differences

Big-batch simulation + sampling	Sycamore hardware sampling
Correlated samples	Uncorrelated samples
Exact sub-space simulation	Noisy full-space simulation









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## 4 kinds of boundary conditions



**Batch-amplitude** 

**Sparse-state** 

#### Contractions with the sparse state



- We want only amplitudes for bitstrings {111, 010, 000}
- Contracting the red part in (a) merges qubits 2 and 3, resulting to (b), where only {11,10,00} sub-bitstrings are necessary.
- Contracting the red part in (b) gives the final results containing only the required bitstrings.

# Solving the uncorrelated sampling problem



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# From group to a representative bitstring



- Each group contains 64 bitstrings  $\{S_i | i = 1,...,64\}$ , with probability  $\{P_i = |\psi_i|^2\}$  associated with the sparse state  $\psi$ .
- Loop over 64 bitstrings from the  $s_1$ . At the *i*-th bitstring, replace the current bitstring by  $s_i$  with probability  $\min(1, P_i/P_{\text{current}})$ .
  - It's nothing but Metropolis-Hasting
  - Satisfies Detailed Balance
  - 64 is large enough for the PT distribution

Trading off fidelity for computational complexity

1. Using approximate state, e.g. MPS

2. Sampling from a mixed distribution ( a small portion from true distribution + a large part from pure noise)

• Noisy state: 
$$\rho = f |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| + (1-f)\frac{1}{2^n}$$

- 2000 bit strings with from  $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$  and 998000 from uniform distribution
- 3. Summing over a fraction of paths in the path-integral representation.

# Trading off fidelity for computational complexity



Drilling 4 holes  $\longrightarrow F \approx 2^{-8} = 0.00390625$ 

## Head-tail point of view to the hole-drilling



## Exploring low-rank structures in the fSim gates



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# Parallel Computation with GPU





CPU

GPU

# GPU efficiency

NVIDIA-SMI	470.82.01	Driver	Version: 470.8	2.01 0	CUDA Versio	n: 11.4
GPU Name Fan Temp	Persiste Perf Pwr:Usag		Bus-Id Memor		<b></b>	Uncorr. ECC Compute M. MIG M.
0 Tesla N/A 32C	V100S-PCI P0 37W /	0ff 250W	00000000:1A:0 26024MiB / 3		0%	0 Default N/A
1 Tesla   N/A 30C	V100S-PCI P0 25W /		00000000:3D:0 13MiB / 3		0%	0 Default N/A
2 NVIDI   N/A 34C	A A100-PCI P0 64W /		00000000:88:0 31607MiB / 8		18%	0 Default Disabled
3 NVIDI   N/A 56C	A A100-PCI P0 199W /	Off   300W	00000000:89:0 4684MiB / 8		100%	0 Default Disabled
4 NVIDI   N/A 30C	A A100-PCI P0 61W /		00000000:B1:0 1921MiB / 8		18%	0 Default Disabled
5 NVIDI   N/A 32C	A A100-PCI P0 63W /	Off 300W	00000000:B2:0 20670MiB / 8		15%	0 Default Disabled

# GPU efficiency

- NVIDIA Tesla V100 FP32 performance: 14.13 TFLOPS
- NVIDIA Tesla A100 FP32 performance: 19.5 TFLOPs
- But with limited Bandwidth: 900GB/s and 1.6TB/s

6 for multiplication + 2 for addition, with Complex64 (FP32 + FP32)  $E = \frac{8 \times \text{time complexity}}{\text{GPU FLOPS capacity} \times \text{running time}}.$ 

# Trade GPU efficiency with FLOPs: Branch Merge



4.4% ⇒38.4%

Data	Original	Branch merge	
$T_c$ head one sub-task	$2.3816 \times 10^{13}$ $6.967 \times 10$		
$T_c$ tail one sub-task	$2.9425 \times 10^{13}$	$8.796 \times 10^{13}$	
Overall $T_c$ (2 <sup>16</sup> sub-tasks)	$3.489 \times 10^{18}$	$1.033 \times 10^{19}$	
Space complexity	2 <sup>30</sup>		
# of slicing edges in $\widehat{\mathcal{G}}_{head}$	6		
# of slicing edges in $\widehat{\mathcal{G}}_{tail}$	7		
# of slicing edges in the interface	16		
# of companion edges in $\widehat{\mathcal{G}}_{head}$	0		
# of companion edges in $\widehat{\mathcal{G}}_{tail}$	5		
# of companion edges in the interface	16		
Fidelity of rank one approximation	0.9564714760983217		
GPU efficiency head	-	31.76%	
GPU efficiency tail	- 14.27%		
Overall efficiency	-	18.85%	

# Histogram of probabilities



#### Validation of the approach using smaller Sycamore circuits



Sycamore EFGH circuits with 30 qubits, 14 cycles We obtain  $2^{26}$  bitstring probabilities and  $2^{20}$  uncorrelated samples, averaged over 15 sets of samples.

## Verifications with different sizes



Sycamore EFGH circuits with 14 cycles, and a different number of qubits. We obtain  $2^{26}$  bitstring probabilities and  $2^{20}$  uncorrelated samples, averaged over 15 sets of samples.



XEB as a function of group size I for Sycamore EFGH circuits with 30 qubits, 14 cycles We obtain  $2^{26}$  bitstring probabilities and  $2^{20}$  uncorrelated samples, averaged over 15 sets of samples.

#### Verification of the entropy



The exact entropy of the approximate state distribution of  $|\psi_K(\mathbf{s})|^2$  compared with the entropy estimated using 2<sup>20</sup>uncorrelated samples generated using the sampling methodt, for K cuts in the Sycamore circuits with n = 30 qubits, m = 14 cycles, and EFGH sequence. Each data point is averaged over 15 independent sets of samples of size 2<sup>20</sup>.

#### Computational cost

	Computational complexity	Computation hardward	Time
Google [Arute et. al., 2019] (Estiamted)		Summit Super Computer	10,000 Years
IBM [Pednault et. al., 2019] (Estimated)	$1.18 \times 10^{21}$	Summit Super Computer (all disks)	2.5 days
Alibaba [Huang et. al., 2020] (Estimated)	$1.33 \times 10^{22}$	Summit Super Computer	20 days
Ours [arXiv:2103.03074] (Computed) Correlated sampling	$4.51 \times 10^{18}$	60 NVIDIA GPUs	5 days
<b>Ours</b> [arXiv: 2111.03011]		512 NVIDIA GPUs	15 hours
( <b>Computed</b> ) Uncorrelated sampling	$3.49 \times 10^{18}$	Exa-Supercomputer (Estimate)	Dozens of seconds

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