



# Non-Boolean Quantum Amplitude Amplification and ML applications

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# Machine Learning

A high-level view of Machine Learning:

1. Design a highly parameterized machine to perform a task.  
(architecture, trainable weights)
2. Design a way to evaluate the performance of the machine (cost function).  
Often evaluated by averaging a loss function over the training data.
3. Train the machine by optimizing the cost function.

In typical hybrid-quantum-classical ML approaches

- (1) is done with **quantum** circuits parameterized by **classical** parameters
- (2) and (3) are performed **classically**

Can we do better in the post-NISQ era?

In this talk, I will lay the foundations for an inherently quantum technique for ML training.

# Introduction: Boolean Amplitude Amplification

Given:

- A quantum system with basis states  $|0\rangle, |1\rangle, \dots, |N - 1\rangle$
- A Boolean function  $f: \{0, \dots, N - 1\} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  (“bad”/“good”)
- An initial superposition of the states  $|\psi_0\rangle = A_0|0\rangle$
- An oracle for the function  $U_f|x\rangle = (-1)^{f(x)}|x\rangle$

Goal: Amplify the “good” states

$$|\psi_0\rangle = \cos(\theta/2) |\psi_{bad}\rangle + \sin(\theta/2) |\psi_{good}\rangle$$

$|\psi_{bad}\rangle$  and  $|\psi_{good}\rangle$  are the good and bad projections of  $|\psi_0\rangle$ , normalized to 1.

Amplitude Amplification: Apply " $S U_f$ " repeatedly on  $|\psi_0\rangle$ . After  $k$  steps

$$|\psi_k\rangle = \cos(k\theta + \theta/2) |\psi_{bad}\rangle + \sin(k\theta + \theta/2) |\psi_{good}\rangle$$

**We could use this to optimize/train a machine.**

**But the performance measure of machines is unlikely to be Boolean!**

# Non-Boolean Amplitude Amplification

Let's make the function Non-Boolean:

$$\varphi: \{0, \dots, N - 1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$U_\varphi |x\rangle = e^{i\varphi(x)} |x\rangle$$

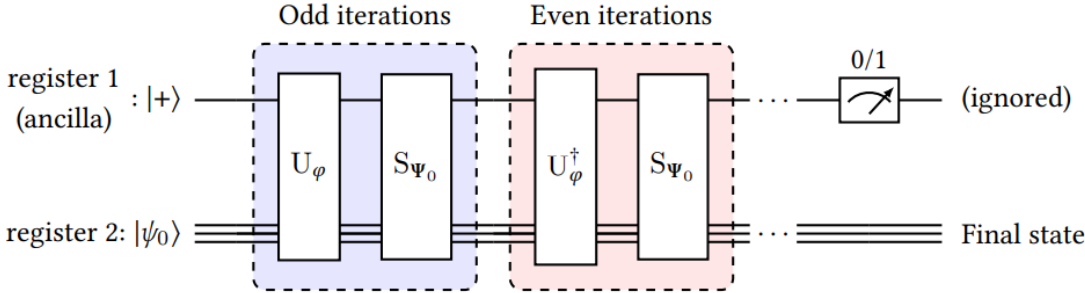
“Goodness” of a state is captured by  $\cos \varphi(x)$ .

Goal: Preferentially amplify states, based on their goodness.

The original amplitude algorithm will not work in this case.

The non-Boolean algorithm introduced in

P. Shyamsundar, [arXiv:2102.04975](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.04975) [quant-ph] will work!

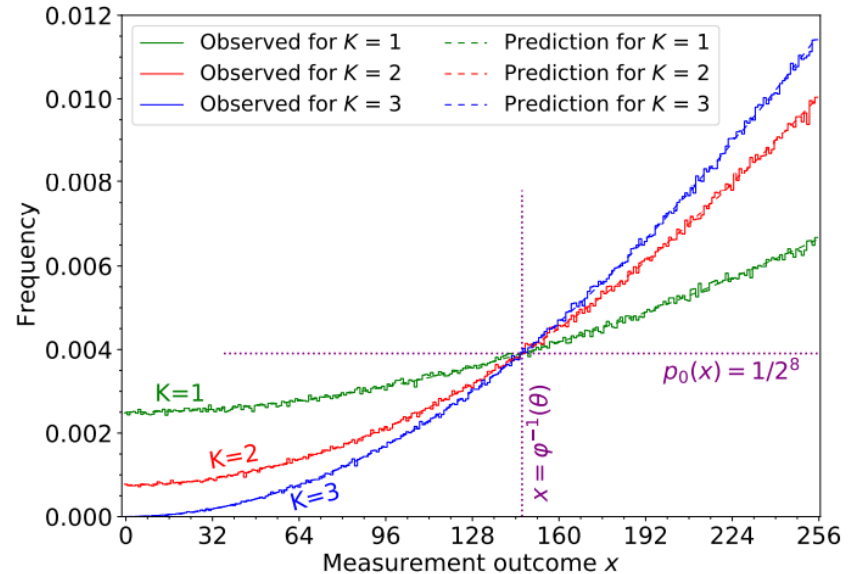


# Non-Boolean Amplitude Amplification in Action

A toy example

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{x}{255} \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad \text{for } x = 0, 1, \dots, 255$$
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Amplified state measurement probabilities after 1, 2, and 3 iterations:

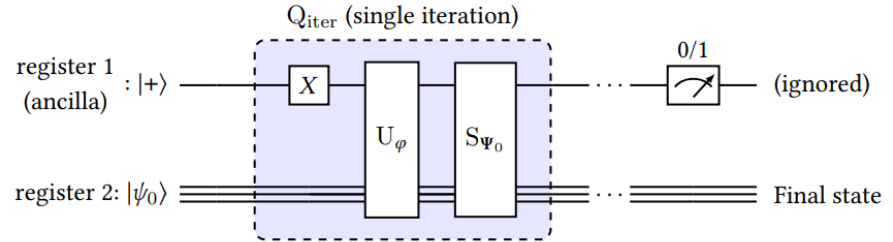


# Quantum Mean Estimation Algorithm

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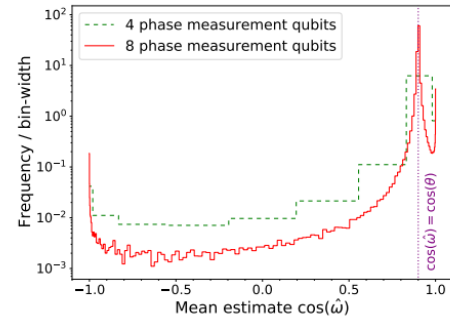
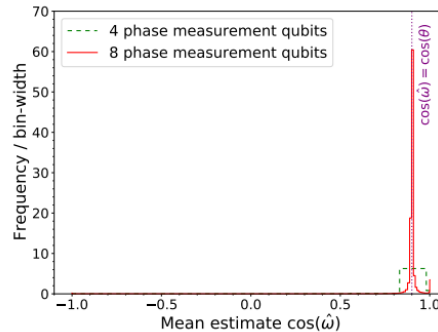
$$Q_{\text{iter}}|+, \psi_0\rangle = \frac{e^{i\theta}|\eta_+\rangle + e^{-i\theta}|\eta_-\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$



Circuit from [arXiv:2102.04975](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.04975) [quant-ph]

Quantum phase estimation can be used with  $Q_{\text{iter}}$  as the operator, and  $|+, \psi_0\rangle$  as the state to estimate  $\theta$ .

Toy example results:

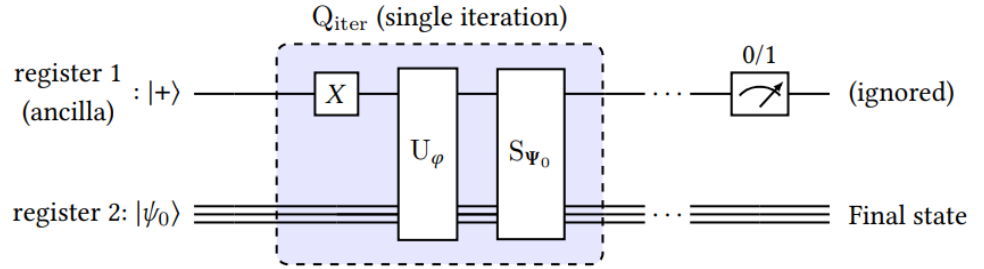


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1. Quadratic speed-up over shot-based estimation.
2. Can be used in ML, for example to average over training data.

# Back to Machine Learning

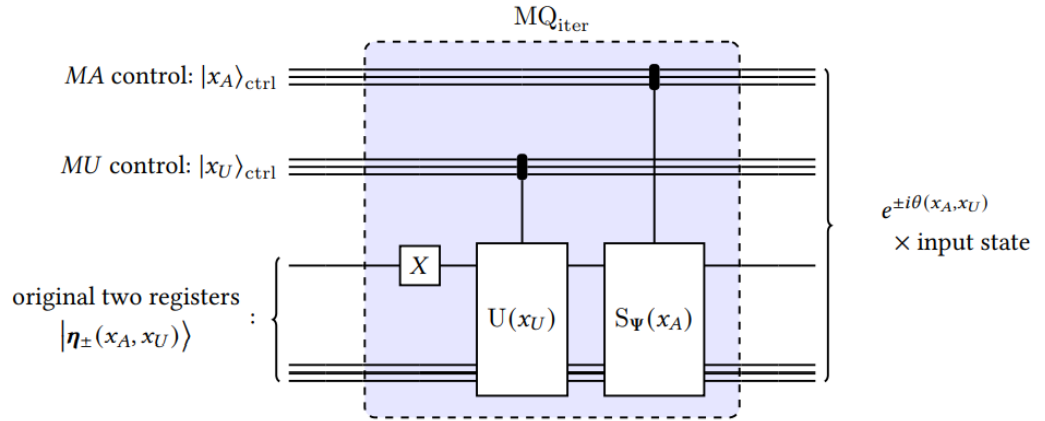
Training a machine:

Optimize [ Avg [ Loss for one data sample ] ]

Non-Boolean amplification

Operator use in Quantum Mean Estimation

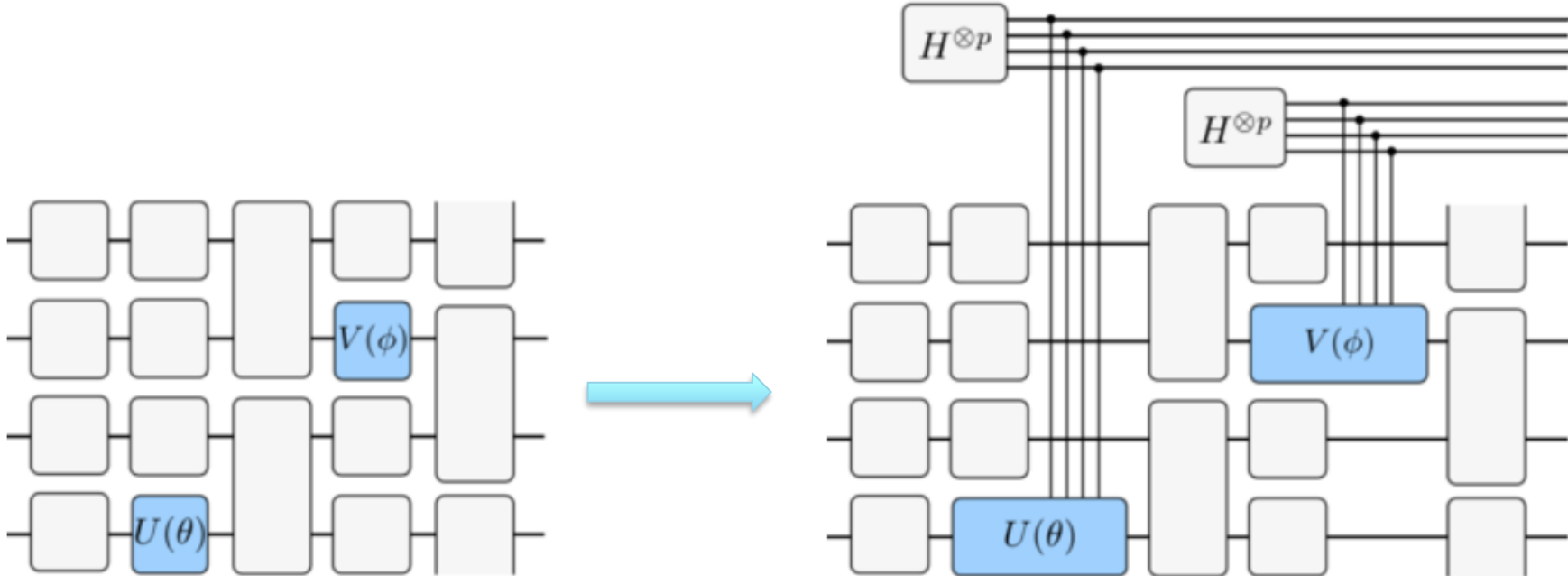
Accomplished in this circuit:



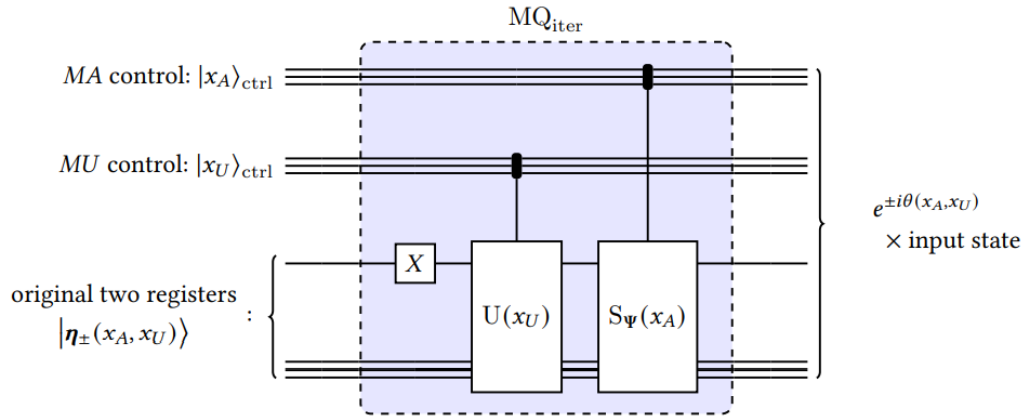


# Final piece of the puzzle

Qparameterized circuits: Quantum circuits parameterized by **qubits**



# Example QML approaches



Example 1: Classifier parameterized by  $|x_U\rangle$

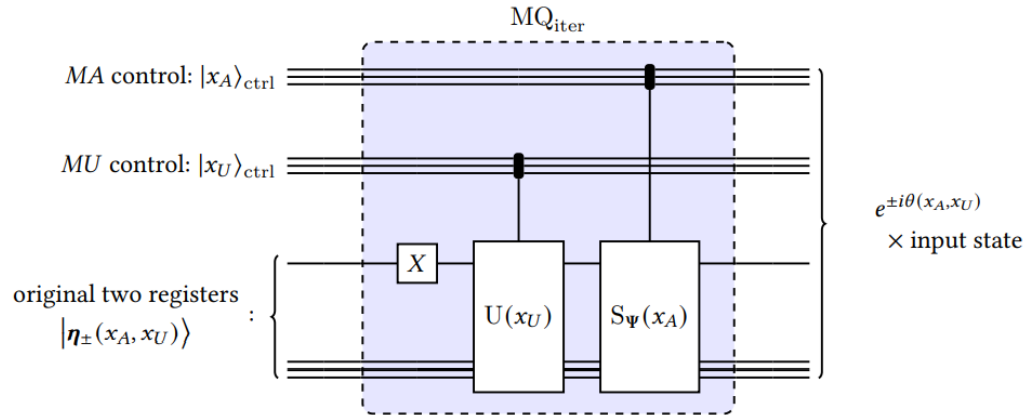
4<sup>th</sup> register: superposition of all training datasamples

$U(x_U)$ : output of classifier CNOT-ed with the target

$\theta$  captures the average classification accuracy of the classifier.

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# Example QML approaches



Example 2: State preparation circuit parameterized by  $|x_A\rangle$

4<sup>th</sup> register:  $|0\rangle$

$U$ : Evaluates the prepared state.

This circuit produces an evaluation oracle for  $|x_A\rangle$ .

Training can be done using amplitude amplification!

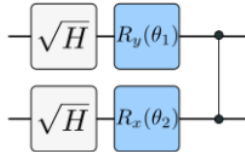
# Results from QHACK 2021

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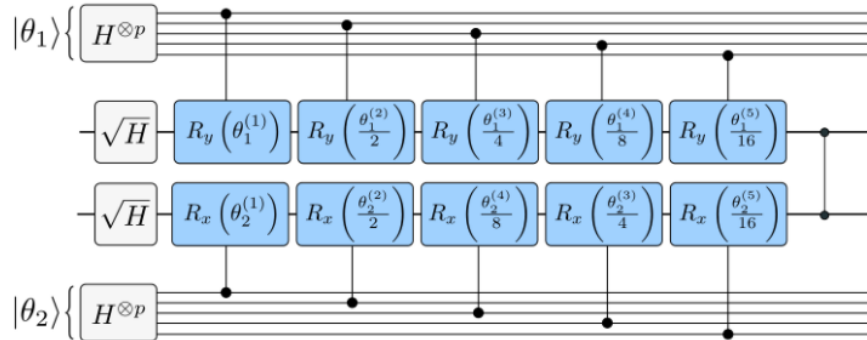
Presentation at <https://peterse.github.io/groveropt/>

Parameterizing circuits with qubits aka Qparameterized circuits:

Classical Parameterized circuit



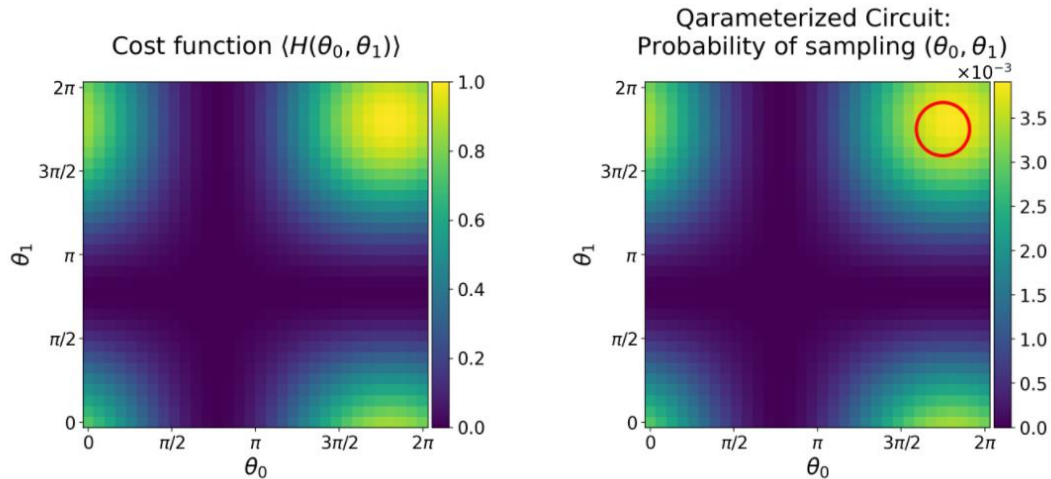
Lifted Qparameterized circuit



# Results from QHACK 2021

Left panel: Cost function

Right panel: Sampling probability of the parameters, post training using non-Boolean amplification



Thank you!

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