

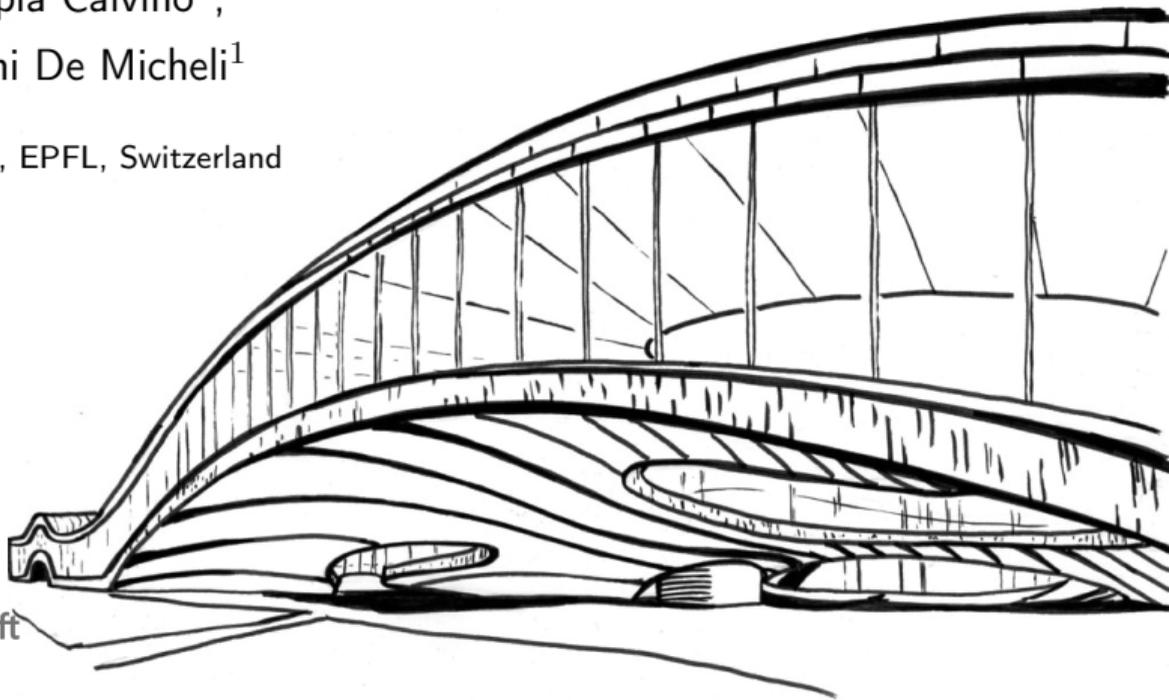
# Back-end-aware Fault-tolerant Quantum Oracle Synthesis

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# Introduction: Quantum Oracles

What is a quantum oracle:

- ▶ A quantum circuit that implements a Boolean function.
- ▶ Given a Boolean function  $f(x)$ , an oracle  $O_f$  realizes:  $|x\rangle |y\rangle |0\rangle^l \mapsto |x\rangle |y \oplus f(x)\rangle |0\rangle^l$ .

Why do we need quantum oracles:

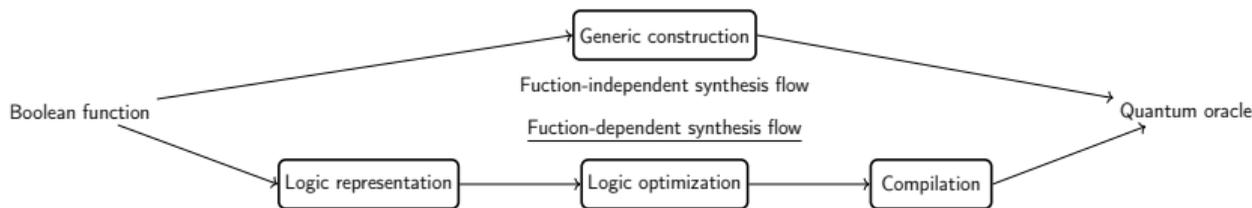
- ▶ Fundamental component in many quantum algorithms and applications:
  - ▶ *Shor's algorithm*<sup>1</sup>: Realizing modular exponentiation function in *phase estimation*.
  - ▶ *Quantum chemistry applications*<sup>2</sup>: Encoding Hamiltonian matrices.

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<sup>1</sup>Peter W. Shor. "Polynomial-Time Algorithms for Prime Factorization and Discrete Logarithms on a Quantum Computer". In: *SIAM Journal on Computing* 26.5 (1997), pp. 1484–1509. ISSN: 1095-7111

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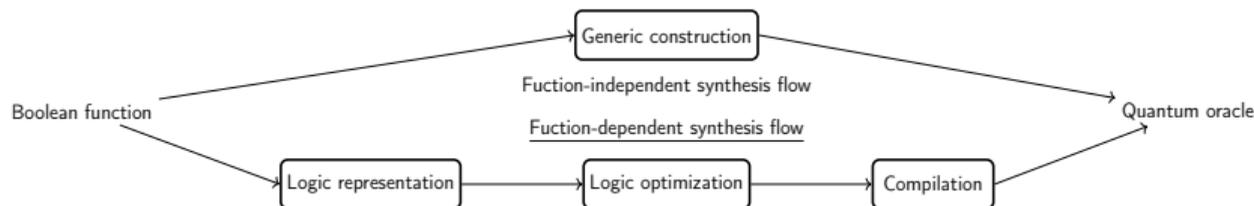
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## Function-dependent oracle synthesis:

- ▶ *XOR-AND-invertor graphs* (XAGs) is an ideal logic representation.
  - ▶ Correlation between AND nodes in an XAG and  $T$  gates in a Clifford+ $T$  oracle.

## Motivation: XAGs for Function-dependent Oracle Synthesis

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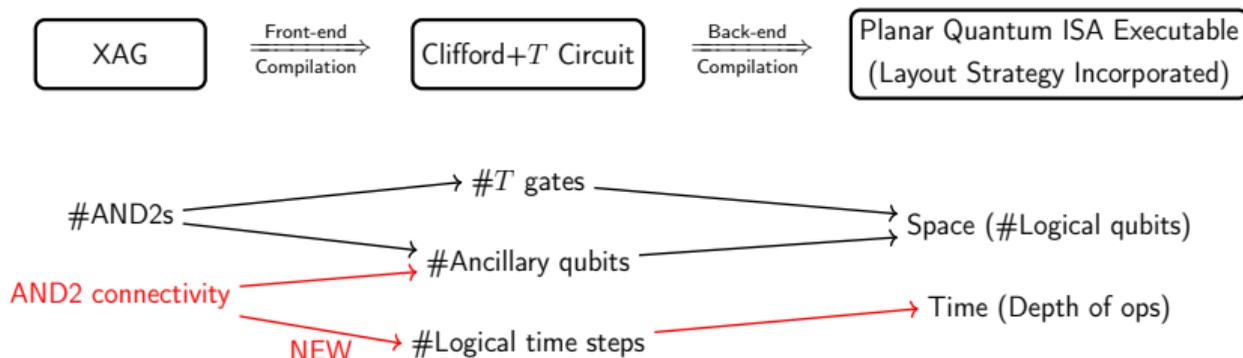
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The role of XAGs in generating low-cost oracle designs:



## Motivation: A Cost Model Facilitated by Considering Layout Strategy

Consider the *parallel synthesis sequential Pauli computation* (PSSPC) layout strategy <sup>1</sup>:

- ▶ A  $T$ -efficient construction of 3-control Toffoli gates is available <sup>2</sup>.
- ▶ Analysis on cost measures:

Logic operation	#T gates	#Logical time steps	#Ancillary qubits
AND2	4	4	1
Two AND2s	8	8	2
AND3	8	7	1

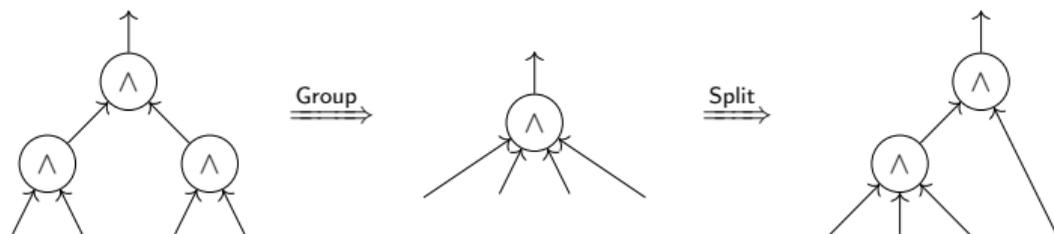
Concatenated AND2s are cheaper than isolated ones!

- ▶ How to achieve lower-resource-cost quantum oracle designs?

<sup>1</sup>Michael E. Beverland et al. *Assessing Requirements to Scale to Practical Quantum Advantage*. 2022. arXiv: 2211.07629

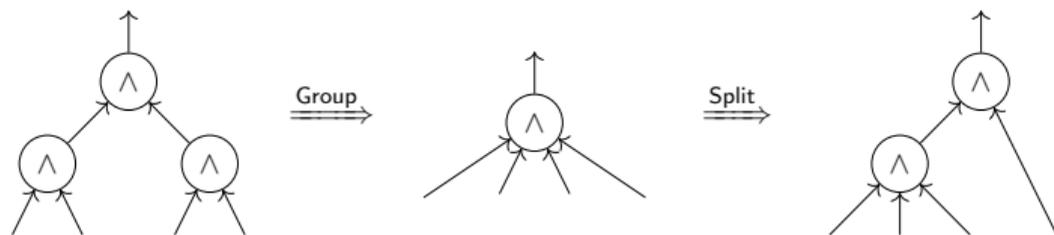
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- ▶ 1.81% fewer logical time steps and 7.47% fewer ancillary qubits.
  - ▶ How to unlock more optimization opportunities by restructuring XAGs?
  - ▶ Efficiently and effectively “massage” XAGs → AND nodes are clustered together.

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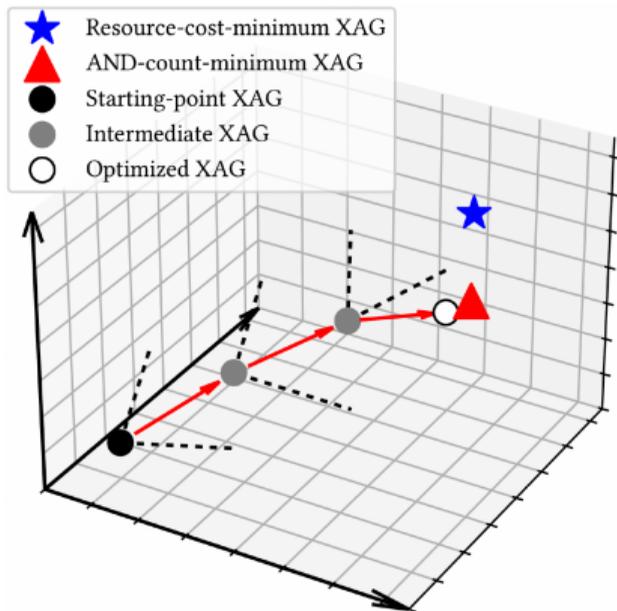
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- ▶ Assessing the plausibility of each replacement is tricky.
  - ▶ Network topology forms part of the cost metric, which requires a global view that cut rewriting lacks.
  - ▶ Rewriting a region changes the AND connectivity at the border, which may offset the obtained gain.

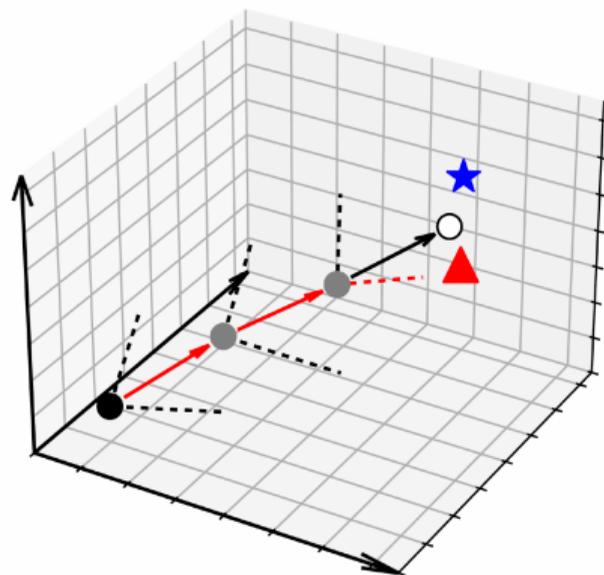
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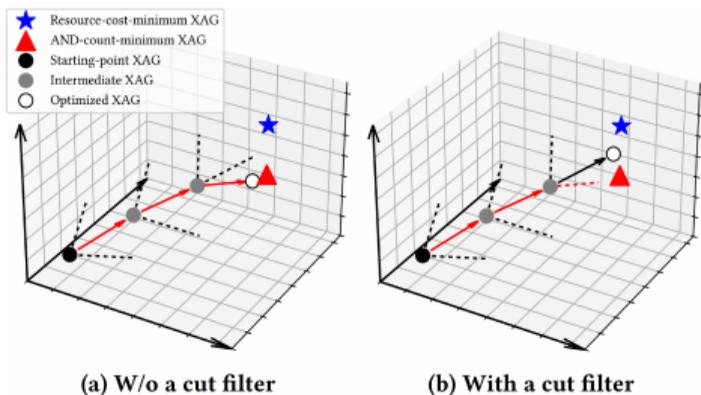


(a) W/o a cut filter



(b) With a cut filter

## Methodologies: Cut Filter-Facilitated Cut Rewriting



Two *cut filters* are designed to introduce the required information.

- ▶ Baseline: always rewrite a region once a reduction in AND count can be achieved, regardless of structural information.
- ▶ Rigid: give up rewriting a region if any of its borders are within an AND tree.
- ▶ Voter-driven: give up if its borders within an AND tree exceed a threshold.

# Experimental Evaluation

- ▶ Benchmark: the EPFL combinational benchmark suite, with state-of-the-art AND count reduction technique <sup>1</sup> applied.

Methodology	#T gates	#Logical time steps	#Ancillary qubits	Optimization time
Starting-point	1	1	1	-
Group-split	1	0.925	0.982	-
Baseline	0.959	0.858	0.935	1
Rigid	0.960	0.849	0.934	0.846
Voter-driven	0.955	0.851	0.930	5.485

- ▶ The power of logic restructuring: On priority encoder, improvements achieved by the rigid cut filter(group-and-split) are 17.65%(0%), 20.51%(2.09%), and 29.01%(8.33%).
- ▶ The voter-driven cut filter serves as a reliable cut filter.

<sup>1</sup>Hsiao-Lun Liu et al. "A Don't-care-based Approach to Reducing the Multiplicative Complexity in Logic Networks". In: *IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems* 41.11 (2022), pp. 4821–4825

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Leveraging back-end insights to guide the front-end quantum oracle synthesis task:

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Instead of formulating a technology mapping problem over the gate set {XOR2, AND2, AND3}, our formulation

- ▶ maintains flexibility and can be easily adapted to accommodate potential  $T$ -efficient construction of multi-control Toffoli gates.
- ▶ presents a unique and technically interesting logic optimization problem, inspiring future exploration.

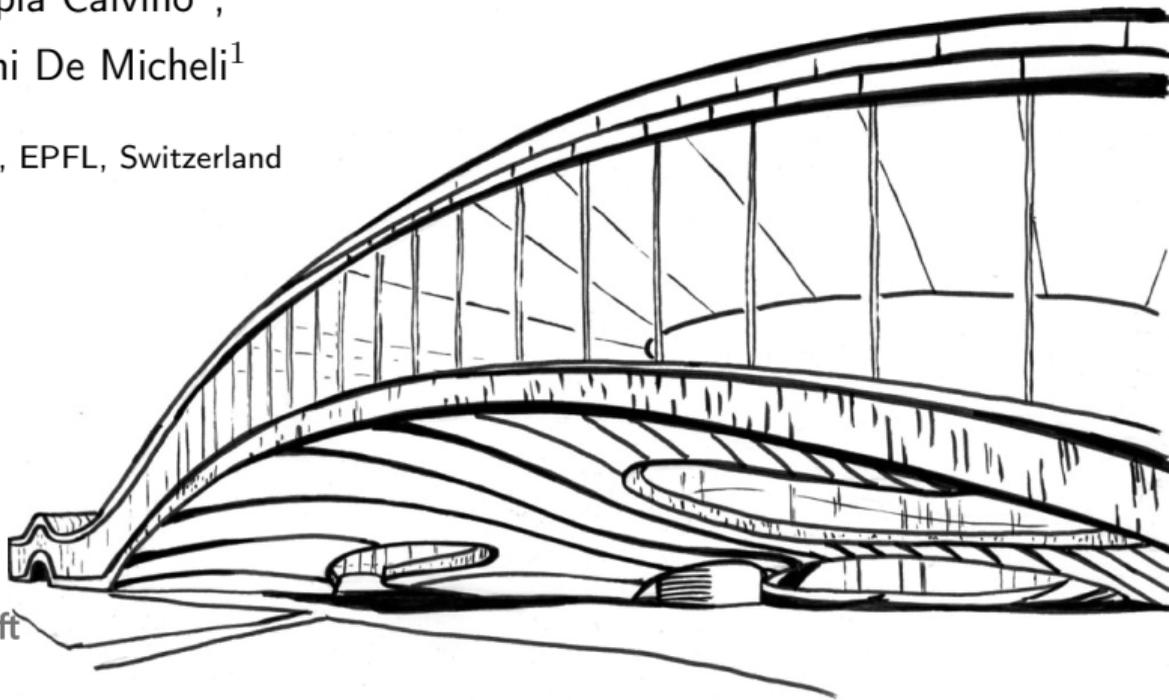
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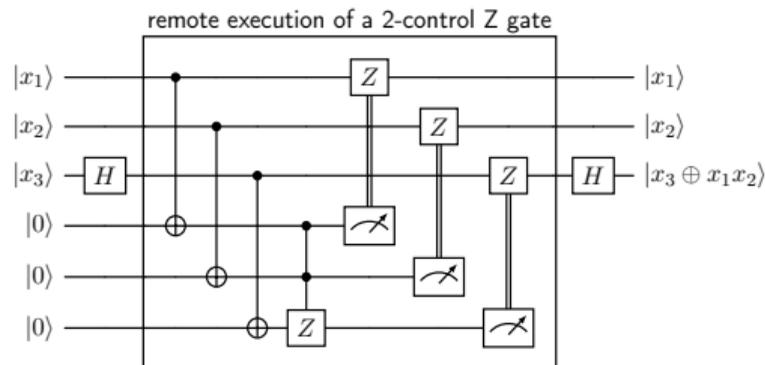
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## Appx.: Leveraging Layout Insights for Efficient Quantum Oracles

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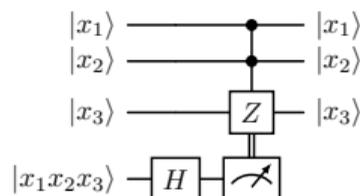


- ▶ Delegating non-Clifford gate execution (Toffoli, rotation, etc.) to “remote” qubits.
  - ▶ Parallelizing non-Clifford gate execution.
  - ▶ Synthesis qubits have easier access to the  $T$  factory.
  - ▶ An additional quality measure, *logical time steps*, is available: 4 steps per AND2.

## Appx.: Optimization Facilitated by Advanced Gate Construction

A T-efficient construction of a 3-control Z gate has been proposed <sup>1</sup>.

- ▶ Making available a  $6T$  realization of 3-input Boolean AND operation (AND3).



- ▶ Change of resource requirement of two concatenated AND2s:
  - ▶ T count:  $8(4 \times 2) \rightarrow 8(6 + 0.5 \times 4)$
  - ▶ Logical time steps:  $8(4 \times 2) \rightarrow 7(5 + 0.5 \times 4)$
  - ▶ Ancillary qubit count:  $2(1 \times 2) \rightarrow 1$
  - ▶ Two concatenated AND2 nodes are better than two separated ones regarding logical time steps and ancillary qubit count.
- ▶ Extend the XAG optimization problem: how to maximally benefit from this observation?

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