

# Supplementary Material for Paper “Statistical Testing of Quantum Programs via Fixed-Point Amplitude Amplification” in OOPSLA 2024

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## A IMPLEMENTATION OF FPAA

In this section, we describe details on the implementation of FPAA [Yoder et al. 2014]. While much of this section reformulates results from [Yoder et al. 2014], we have included it in the Supplementary Material for the sake of completeness of the paper.

**Derivation of Parameters  $\alpha, \beta$ .** As stated in Proposition 5.1, the desired amplifier is realized by a  $l$ -sequence of the generalized Grover operator  $G(\alpha_j, \beta_j)$  for  $j = 1, \dots, l$ . Given  $l$  and  $\delta$ , each parameter  $\alpha_j$  and  $\beta_j$  is derived as :

$$\alpha_j = -\beta_{l-j+1} = 2 \cot^{-1} \left( \tan(2\pi j/L) \sqrt{1 - (T_{1/L}(1/\delta))^{-2}} \right),$$

where  $T_x$  denotes the Chebyshev polynomial (for the proof, refer to Yoder et al. [2014]).

**Constructing Reflection over  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$ .** Given a target state  $|t\rangle$  and a source state  $|s\rangle$ , FPAA amplifies  $|\langle t|s\rangle|^2$ , the amplitude of  $|t\rangle$  within  $|s\rangle$ . The implementation of FPAA includes a quantum circuit for reflection over  $|t\rangle$ , denoted as  $S_t$  and presented in (6). Note that our original goal is to amplify  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$ , where  $|t\rangle = |E_{\perp}\rangle$  and  $|s\rangle = |E\rangle$ . Hence we need to implement reflection over  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$  as follows:

$$S_t(\beta) = S_{E_{\perp}}(\beta) = I - (1 - e^{i\beta}) |E_{\perp}\rangle \langle E_{\perp}|.$$

However, while  $|E\rangle$  is known from user-provided specification,  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$  may not readily available (as we do not know the exact  $|P\rangle$ , we cannot calculate  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$ ). Consequently, we cannot directly implement a quantum circuit for  $S_{E_{\perp}}$ . Yet, we know  $|E\rangle$  from user-provided specification and hence reflection over  $|E\rangle$ ,  $S_E(\beta') = I - (1 - e^{i\beta'}) |E\rangle \langle E|$  is directly implementable. Then, we can obtain  $S_{E_{\perp}}(\beta)$  by following relation:

$$S_{E_{\perp}}(\beta) = S_E(-\beta) \text{ upto global phase.} \quad (26)$$

Therefore, in the implementation details of  $S_t$  provided below, we instead describe the implementation for  $S_E(\beta)$ .

**Additional Unitary Transformation on  $P$ .** We can always set  $|E\rangle = |0\rangle$  by assuming the unitary operator  $V$  such that  $V|E\rangle = |0\rangle$ . If such  $V$  is obtained, then we can represent the program state as follows:

$$VP|I\rangle = V|P\rangle = \sqrt{a}|0\rangle + \sqrt{b}e^{i\theta}|0_{\perp}\rangle,$$

where  $|0_{\perp}\rangle = V|E_{\perp}\rangle$ . The unitary transformation  $V$  may be provided manually by the user or generated by a state preparation algorithm. For example, if  $|E\rangle = |0010\rangle$ , the user could provide

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$V = I \otimes I \otimes X \otimes I^1$ . Introducing  $V$  ensures that the oracle required for  $S_E(\beta)$  (discussed below) is fixed and implementable.

We note that the additional requirement of the unitary operator  $V$  also arises in prior work. For instance, Li et al. [2020] required such a unitary due to physical constraints that projective measurements can only be realized in the computational basis.

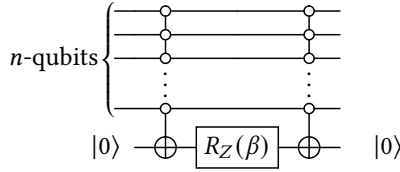
Furthermore, we assume the input preparation unitary operator  $W$  such that  $W|0\rangle = |I\rangle$  exists. Thereby, we can always assume that the program state  $|P\rangle$  is prepared from the input  $|0\rangle$  as  $|P\rangle = PW|0\rangle$ . Providing  $W$  will not be an additional overhead for users, since real-world quantum hardware initializes the qubit register state to  $|0\rangle$  by default. Thus, users need to prepare such a unitary  $W$ , in anyway.

To summarize, whenever the provided states  $|E\rangle$  and  $|I\rangle$  are not equal to  $|0\rangle$ , we assume that the additional unitary operator  $V$  and  $W$  exist. Therefore, we consider the quantum circuit program  $P$  to be transformed as follows:

$$P \leftarrow VPW.$$

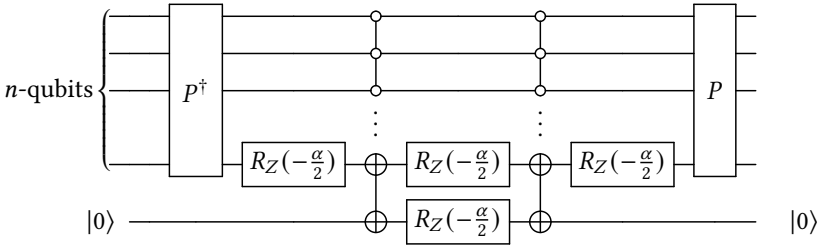
This transformation ensures that the problem is defined with  $|E\rangle = |0\rangle$  and  $|I\rangle = |0\rangle$ , without loss of generality.

**Implementation of  $S_t$ .** As describe through (26), we instead describe how to implement reflection over  $|E\rangle$ , which is  $S_E(\beta) = I - (1 - e^{i\beta}) |E\rangle \langle E|$ . The implementation of  $S_E$  requires oracle  $O$  of  $|E\rangle$  which is  $O|E\rangle|b\rangle = |E\rangle|\neg b\rangle$  and  $O|E_\perp\rangle|b\rangle = |E_\perp\rangle|b\rangle$ , for boolean  $b = 0, 1$ , with an additional single ancilla bit for  $|b\rangle$ . Since we assumed to be  $|E\rangle = |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$ , the desired  $O$  is realized in  $NC^nX$  gate. The quantum circuit for  $S_E(\beta)$  using the oracle is :



where  $R_Z(\theta) = e^{-iz\theta/2}$ .

**Implementation of  $S_s$ .** The implementation of  $S_s$  (remind that our source state is  $|s\rangle = |P\rangle$ ) requires application of two  $NC^{n-1}$  and phases  $R_Z(-\alpha/2)$ , sandwiched by target program to test  $P$ . Note that this  $P$  is assumed to prepare program state as  $|P\rangle = P|0\rangle$ . Quantum circuit for  $S_s(\alpha)$  also requires additional single ancilla bit. Following circuit implements the  $S_s$  operation :



**Optimized  $NC^nX$  by Ancilla Bits.** Note that for  $n$ -qubit target program,  $S_t$  and  $S_s$  includes operation of  $NC^nX$ ,  $NC^{n-1}X$  gates, respectively. Originally,  $NC^kX$  gives quantum circuit of depth

<sup>1</sup>Here  $I$  denotes the identity matrix, not to be confused with input ket-state  $|I\rangle$ .

quadratic to  $k$  when decomposing into  $CNOT$ +single qubit gates. However, by bringing additional  $k - 1$  qubits register as ancilla qubits,  $NC^kX$  can be implemented in linear depth quantum circuit [Nielsen and Chuang 2010].

In the cost analysis of FPAA (in Section 6), we adopted this method for implementing  $NC^kX$  gates. There for, we presumed an additional  $n$  qubit space beyond another  $n$ -qubit space needed for running the program  $P$ . This includes a single qubit for implementing both  $S_s$  and  $S_t$ , plus  $n - 1$  qubit space for implementing  $NC^nX$  and  $NC^{n-1}X$  gates.

## B PROOF OF BUG MODEL

Let  $P$  and  $P_{\text{buggy}}$  denote the  $n$ -qubit quantum circuit, as illustrated in Fig. 6a and 6b, respectively correct and buggy one. Note that  $P_{\text{buggy}}$  is dependent to the parameter  $t$  through the injection of  $Z^t$ . Hence, we denote the buggy program as  $P_{\text{buggy}}(t)$ .

In this section, we show that the working example (Section 3) and case study (Section 7) illustration by  $P_{\text{buggy}}$  and setting of  $|I\rangle = |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$  is general. Specifically, we show that for any  $0 \leq b \leq 1$  there exists  $t \in [0, 1]$  such that  $b = |\langle E_{\perp} | P_{\text{buggy}}(t) \rangle|^2$ , where  $|E\rangle = P|I\rangle$  for any  $I \in \{0, 1\}^n$ . This shows the existence of at least one possible buggy program for each  $b \in [\epsilon, 1]$ , supporting the generality of the case study.

Furthermore, we show that for each fixed  $t \in [0, 1]$ , the probability of measuring  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$  over  $|P_{\text{buggy}}(t)\rangle$  is invariant for any input  $|I\rangle$ , where  $I \in \{0, 1\}^n$  by the corresponding  $|E\rangle = P|I\rangle$ . That is,  $|\langle E_{\perp} | P_{\text{buggy}}(t) \rangle|^2$  is always the same, regardless of the input  $I \in \{0, 1\}^n$ . This supports that our choice of  $|I\rangle = |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$  for the case studies does not loss generality, and the bug detection of  $|P_{\text{buggy}}(t)\rangle$  cannot be simply done by giving input specification other than assumed  $|I\rangle = |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$ .

Altogether, these results are formulated in following Proposition B.1. The result naturally extend to case of Controlled Draper Adder (Fig. 7a and Fig. 7b).

**PROPOSITION B.1.** *Let  $P_{\text{buggy}}(t)$  denote the  $n$ -qubit buggy implementation as illustrated in Figure 6b. Then, for any  $|I\rangle$  where  $I \in \{0, 1\}^n$  (and by the corresponding  $|E\rangle$ ),*

$$|\langle E_{\perp} | P_{\text{buggy}}(t) \rangle|^2 = \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}t\right)$$

(thereby, for any  $b \in [0, 1]$  there exist  $t \in [0, 1]$  such that  $|\langle E_{\perp} | P_{\text{buggy}}(t) \rangle|^2 = b$ ).

**PROOF.** Let  $|I\rangle = |y\rangle \otimes |x\rangle$ , where  $|x\rangle$  and  $|y\rangle$  are  $m$ -qubit binary state vectors with  $n = 2m$ . Define  $|\psi_k(x)\rangle$  as follows [Draper 2000]:

$$|\psi_k(x)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \cdot (0.x_k x_{k-1} \dots x_1)} |1\rangle \right),$$

where  $x_k$  is the  $k$ -th digit of  $x$  in binary representation. If the  $QFT$  operates on  $|x\rangle$ , the state becomes:

$$QFT|x\rangle = |\psi_m(x)\rangle \otimes |\psi_{m-1}(x)\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes |\psi_1(x)\rangle.$$

Let  $z = x + y \pmod{2^m}$ . For  $1 \leq k \leq m$ , by the controlled phases  $CR_j$  appeared in the middle of Draper Adder, the state  $|\psi_k(x)\rangle$  evolves to:

$$|\psi_k(z)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \cdot (0.z_k z_{k-1} \dots z_1)} |1\rangle \right). \quad (26)$$

The proof proceeds by applying  $Z^t$  gate and  $QFT^{-1}$  on (26) as shown in Figure 6b. The operation sequence of applying  $Z^t$  and  $QFT^{-1}$  is illustrated in Fig. 8.

In Fig. 8,  $M$  represents a moment in the circuit right before applying the last three gate sequences:  $H$ ,  $CR_2^{-1}$  and another  $H$ . At the moment  $M$ , the  $k$ -th qubit for  $1 \leq k \leq m - 2$  is already in its final

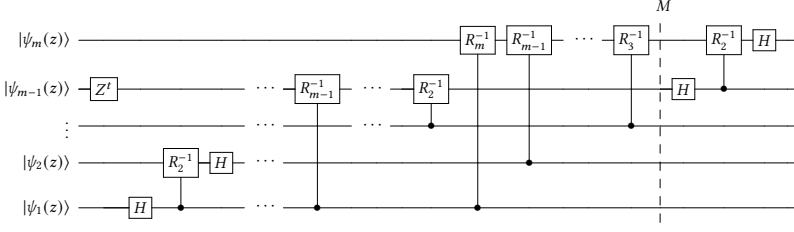


Fig. 8. The  $Z^t$  and  $QFT^{-1}$  application on  $|\phi_k(z)\rangle$  states. Here,  $R_k^{-1}$  represents  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2\pi i/2^k} \end{pmatrix}$ .

state, correctly derived as  $|z_k\rangle$ . For the  $m-1$ -th qubit, due to the effect of the bug gate  $Z^t$ , its state is:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \cdot (0 \cdot z_{m-1} + t/2)} |1\rangle \right).$$

For the  $m$ -th qubit, its state is:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \cdot (0 \cdot z_m z_{m-1})} |1\rangle \right).$$

Summing up, the state at moment  $M$  becomes:

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \cdot (0 \cdot z_m z_{m-1})} |1\rangle \right) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i \cdot (0 \cdot z_{m-1} + t/2)} |1\rangle \right)}_{=|\phi_1\rangle \otimes |\phi_2\rangle} \otimes |z_{m-2}\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |z_1\rangle.$$

Since subsequent gates  $(I \otimes H), CR_2^{-1}, (H \otimes I)$  only apply to the  $m$ -th and  $(m-1)$ -th qubits, we consider the state evolution on  $|\phi_1\rangle, |\phi_2\rangle$ . By calculation, we can check that

$$H|\phi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1 + e^{\pi i t}) |z_{m-1}\rangle + (1 - e^{\pi i t}) |\neg z_{m-1}\rangle \right] =: |\phi'_2\rangle$$

where  $z_{m-1} \in \{0, 1\}$  (which will be decided by input  $|I\rangle$ ). Then, after the application of remaining gates  $CR_2^{-1}$  (where the control is applied on the  $(m-1)$ -th qubit) and  $(H \otimes I)$ , sequentially, the state ends in

$$|\phi^*\rangle := (H \otimes I)CR_2^{-1}(|\phi_1\rangle \otimes |\phi'_2\rangle) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1 + e^{\pi i t}) |z_m\rangle |z_{m-1}\rangle + (1 - e^{\pi i t}) |?\rangle |\neg z_{m-1}\rangle \right] \quad (26)$$

where the part  $|?\rangle$  is result of applying phase  $R_2^{-1}$  wrongly controlled by  $|\neg z_{m-1}\rangle$ .

Remind that  $|E\rangle = |z_m\rangle \otimes |z_{m-1}\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |z_1\rangle$ . Then, the final program state vector can be represented in:

$$|P_{\text{buggy}}(t)\rangle = |\phi^*\rangle \otimes |z_{m-2}\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |z_1\rangle = \frac{1 + e^{i\pi t}}{2} |E\rangle + \frac{1 - e^{i\pi t}}{2} |E_{\perp}\rangle$$

Hereby, we can check that the probability of measuring  $|E_{\perp}\rangle$  is

$$\left| \frac{1 - e^{i\pi t}}{2} \right|^2 = \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi t}{2}\right).$$

This derivation was independent to choice of  $|I\rangle$ , hence the result holds for all  $I \in \{0, 1\}^n$ .

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