

# Constant-depth circuits for Uniformly Controlled Gates and Boolean functions with application to quantum memory circuits

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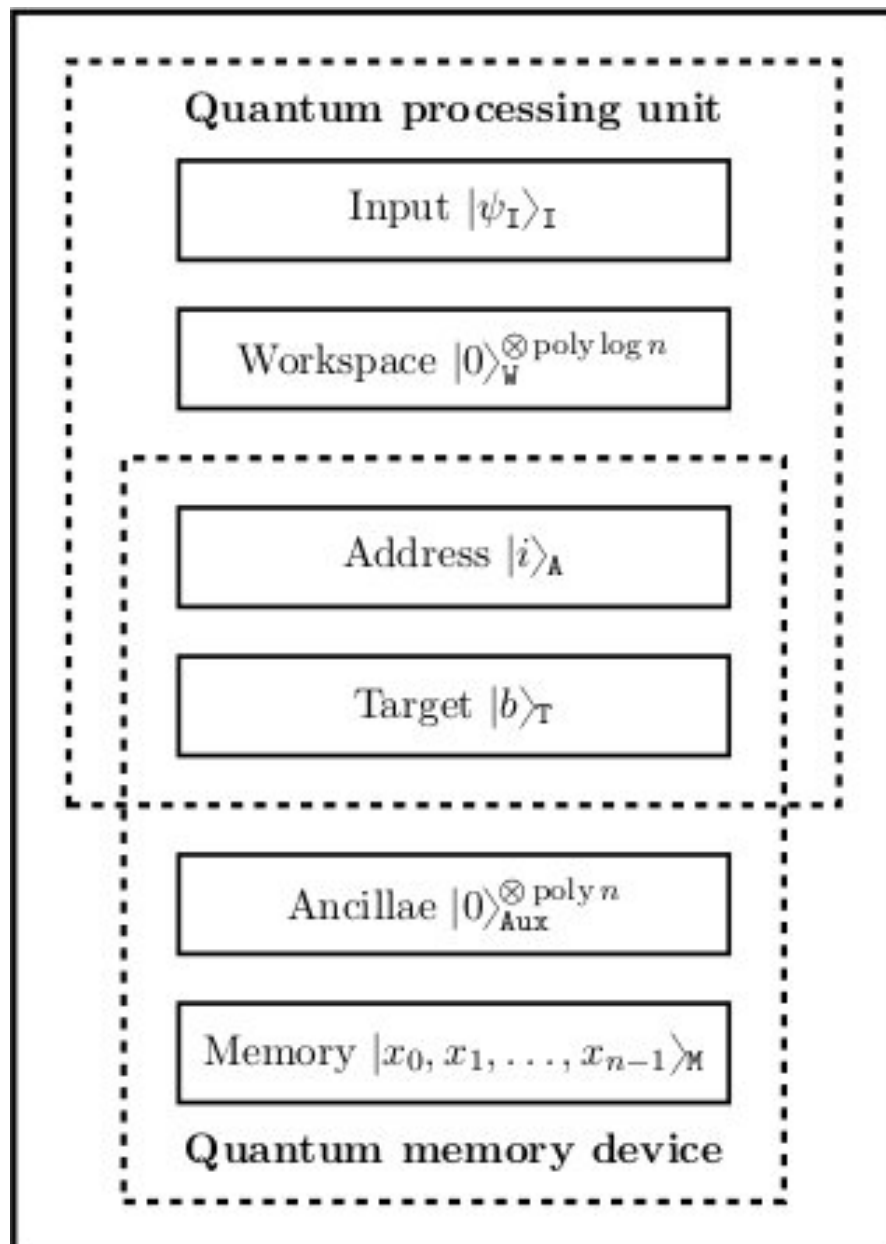
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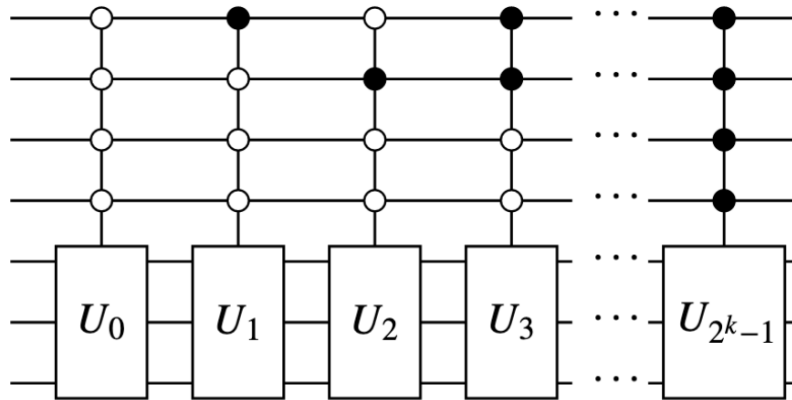
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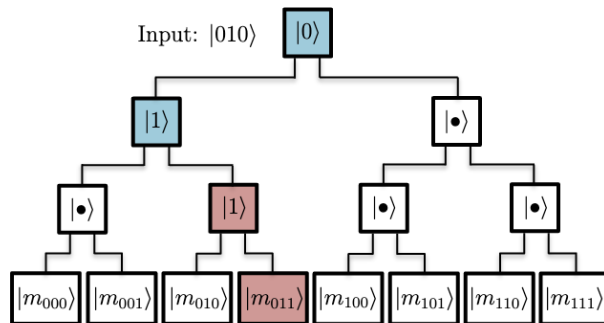
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# Some known circuits

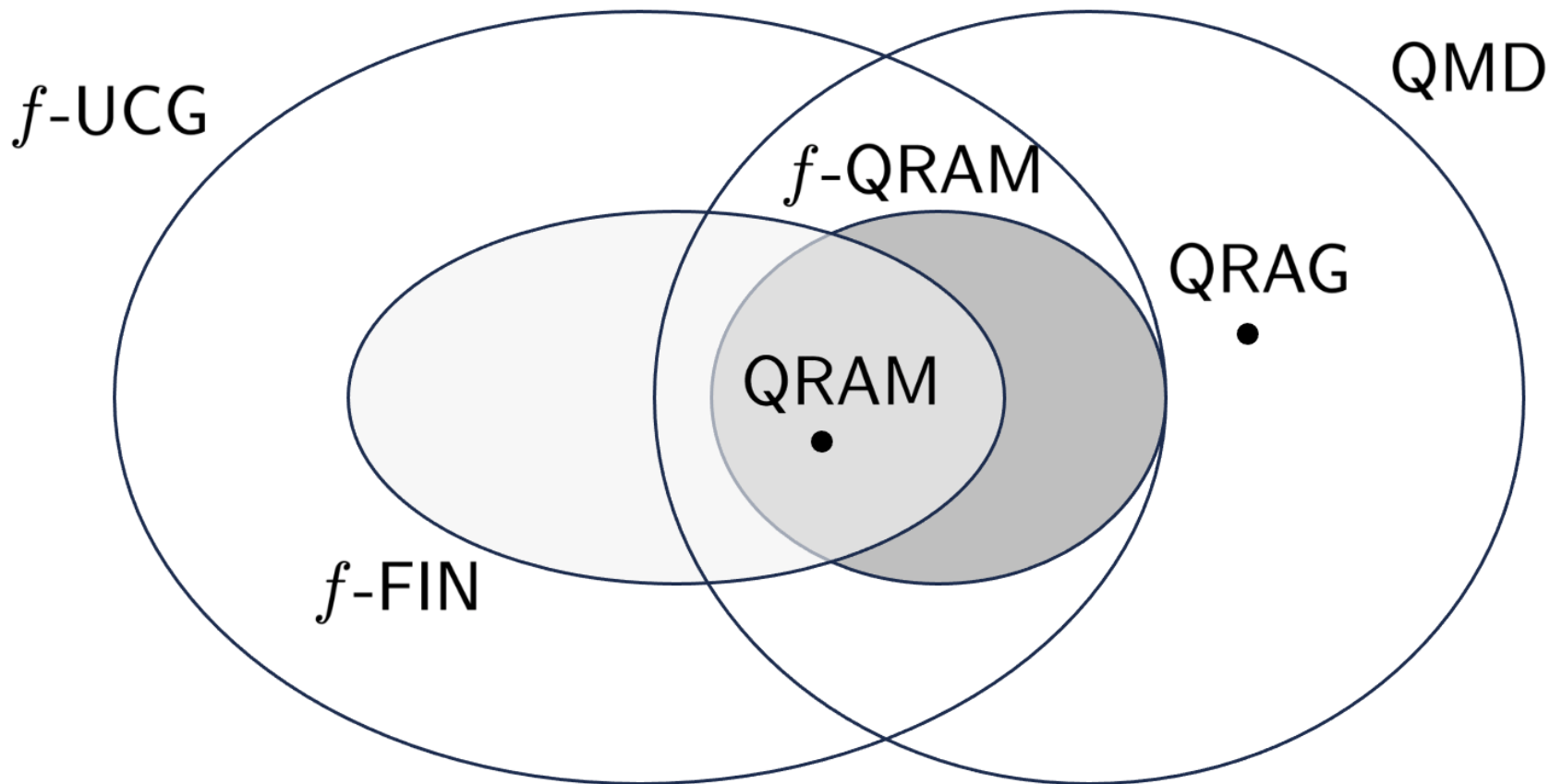


Multiplexer



Bucket-brigade

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# Tools and assumptions (1)

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**Fan-Out gate:** It is a sequence of CNOT gates sharing a single control qubit.

$$|b\rangle|x_0, \dots, x_{n-1}\rangle \mapsto |b\rangle|x_0 \oplus b, \dots, x_{n-1} \oplus b\rangle.$$

**Global-Tunable gate:** It is a sequence of CZ gates that can share control or target registers.

Let  $\Theta \in [-1, 1]^{n \times n}$ . The  $n$ -arity Global Tunable gate  $\text{GT}_{\Theta}^{(n)}$  is the unitary operator

$$\text{GT}_{\Theta}^{(n)} = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{C}_i \text{Z}(\Theta_{ij})_{\rightarrow j}.$$



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**Fact: [Z-decomposition of single qubit gates]:** for a single-qubit gate  $U$  there are angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in [-1, 1]$  such that

$$U = e^{i\pi\alpha} Z(\beta) H Z(\gamma) H Z(\delta),$$

**Fact: [Equivalence Fan-Out and Parity]:** The Fan-Out gate is equivalent to the PARITY up to a Hadamard conjugation.

(i.e. Fan-Out  $\iff$  PARITY )

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**Theorem:** The  $\text{AND}^{(n)}$  gate can be implemented in  $O(1)$ -depth using

- $2n \log n + O(n)$  ancillae and  $6n + O(\log n)$  Fan-Out gates with arity at most  $2n$ .
- $2n + O(\log n)$  ancillae and 4 GT gates with arity at most  $n + O(\log n)$ .

**Claim:** A number  $l$  of pair-wise commuting Fan-Out gates  $\text{FO}^{(n_0)}, \dots, \text{FO}^{(n_{l-1})}$  can be performed in depth-3 using one GT gate.

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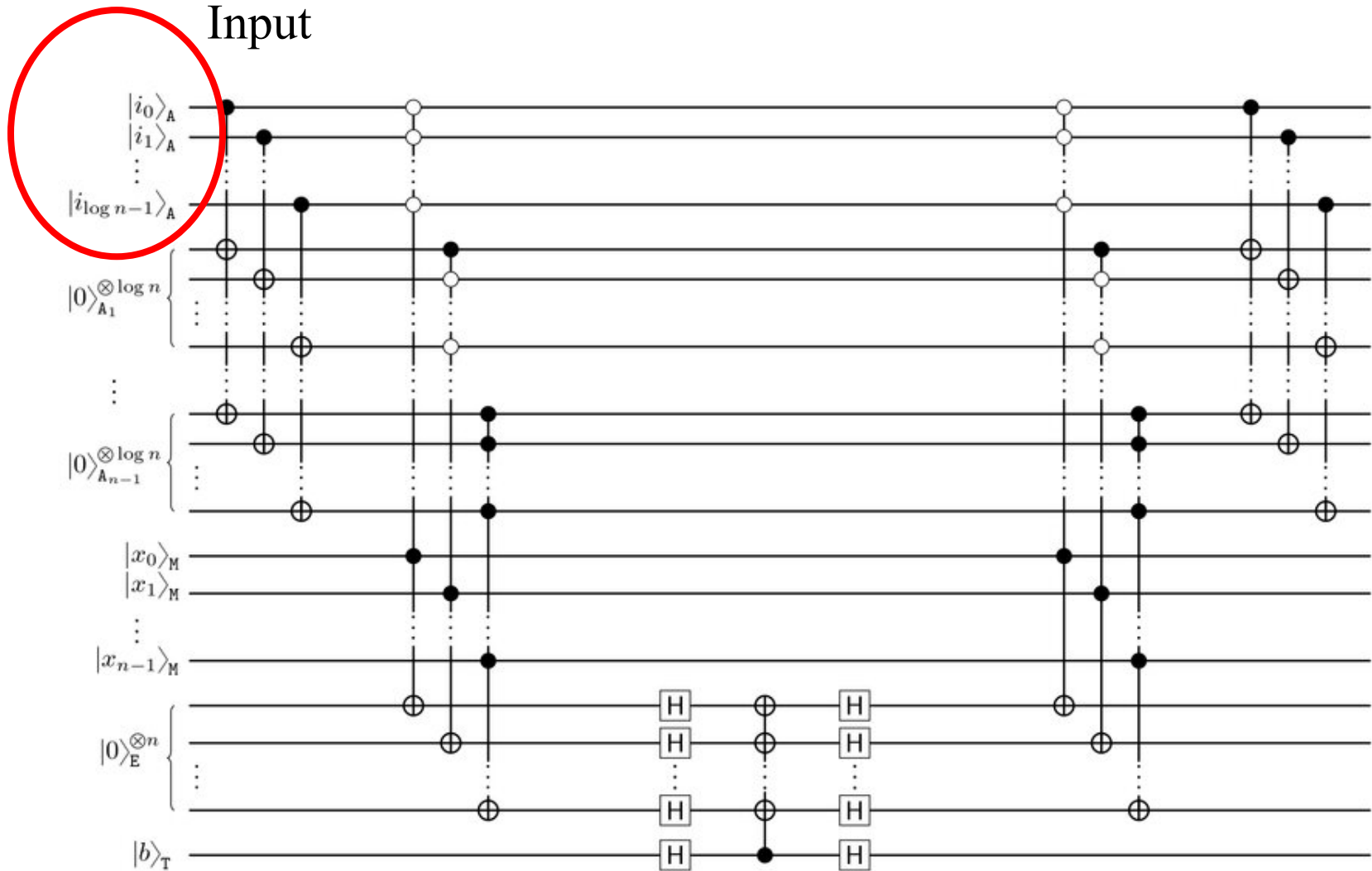
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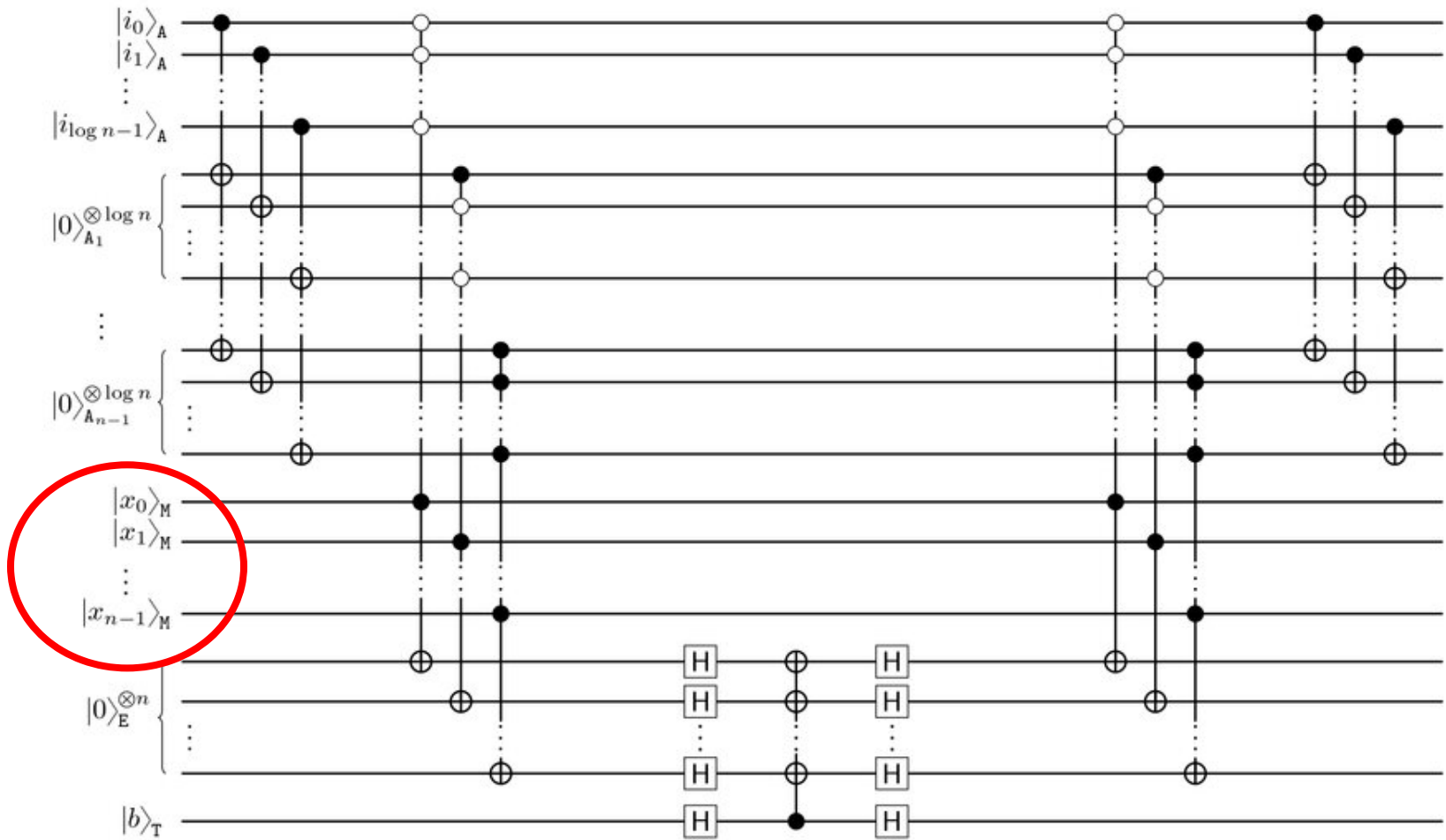
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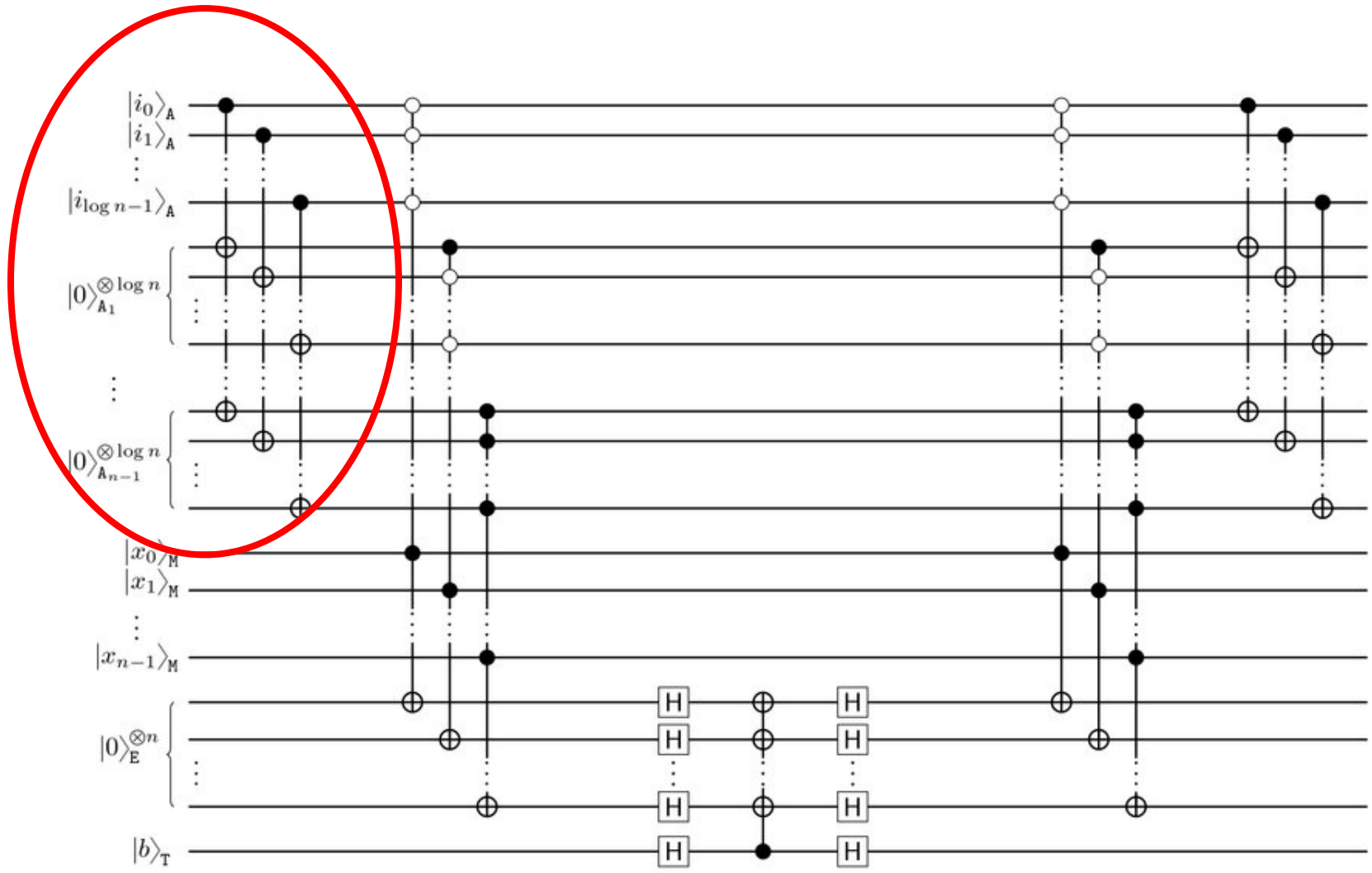
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$f$ -UCG (*) [Thm. 26]	$O(n + 2^{t+r}(t+r))$	$O(2^{t+r}(t+r) \log(t+r))$	9	$O(2^{t+r}(t+r))$

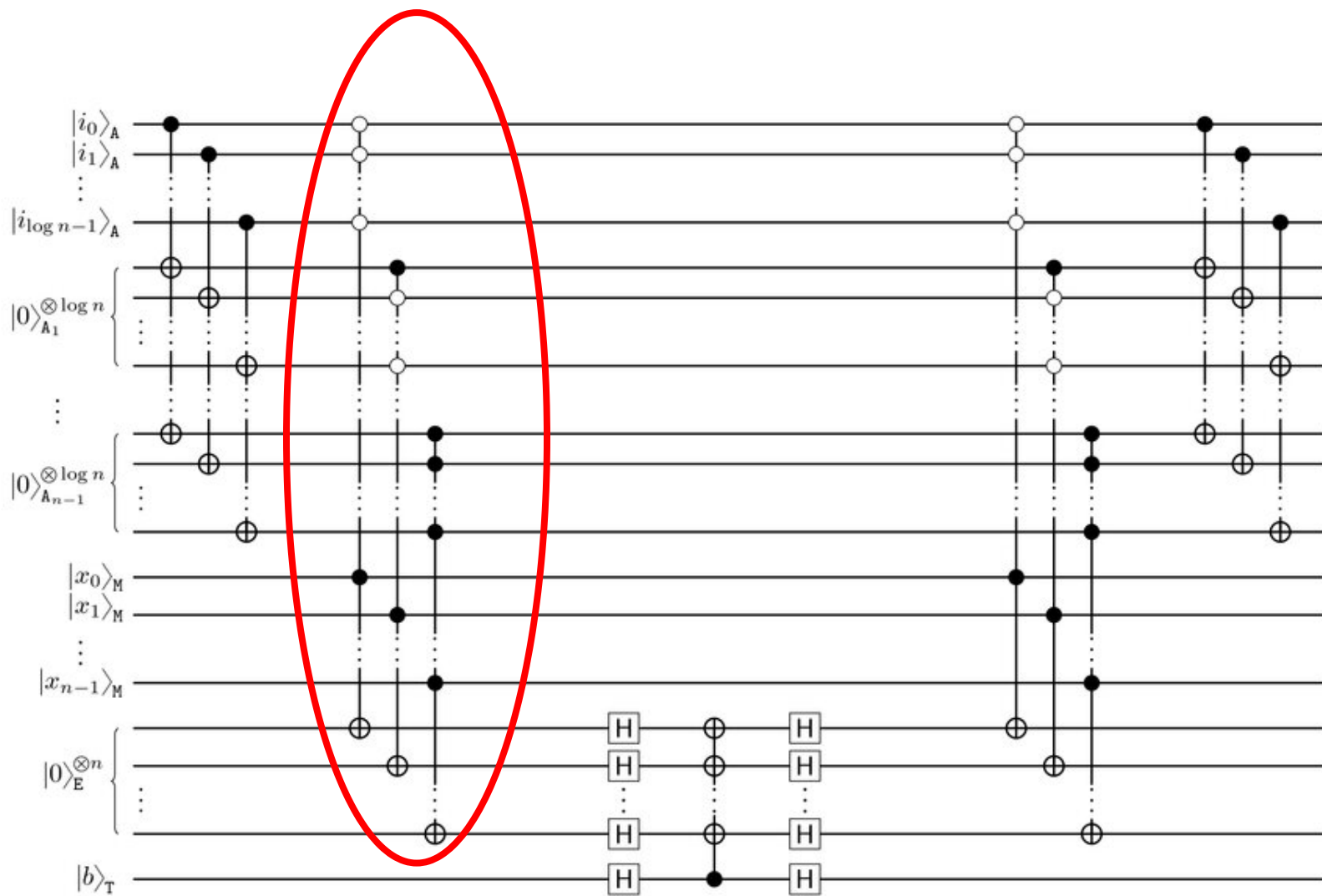
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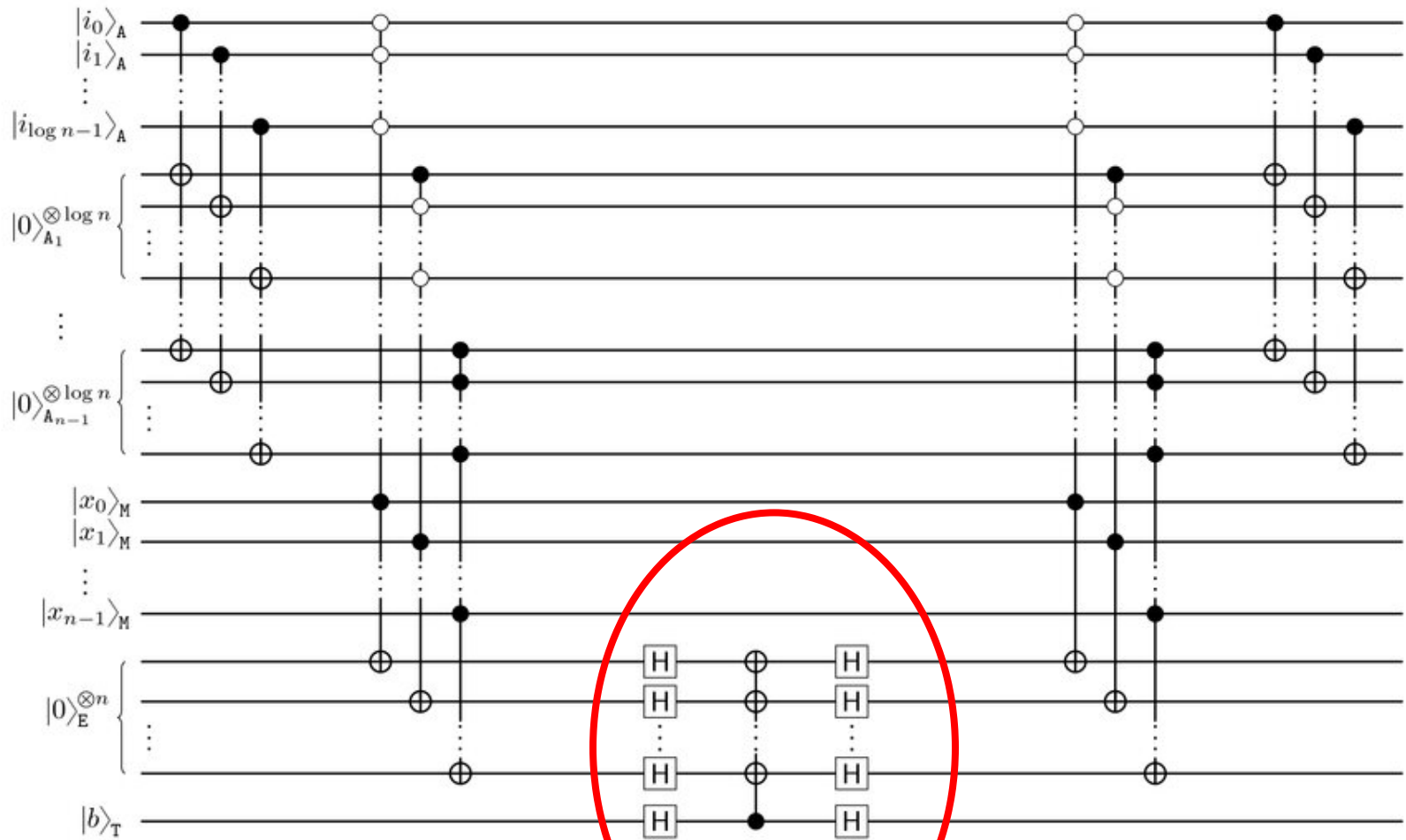


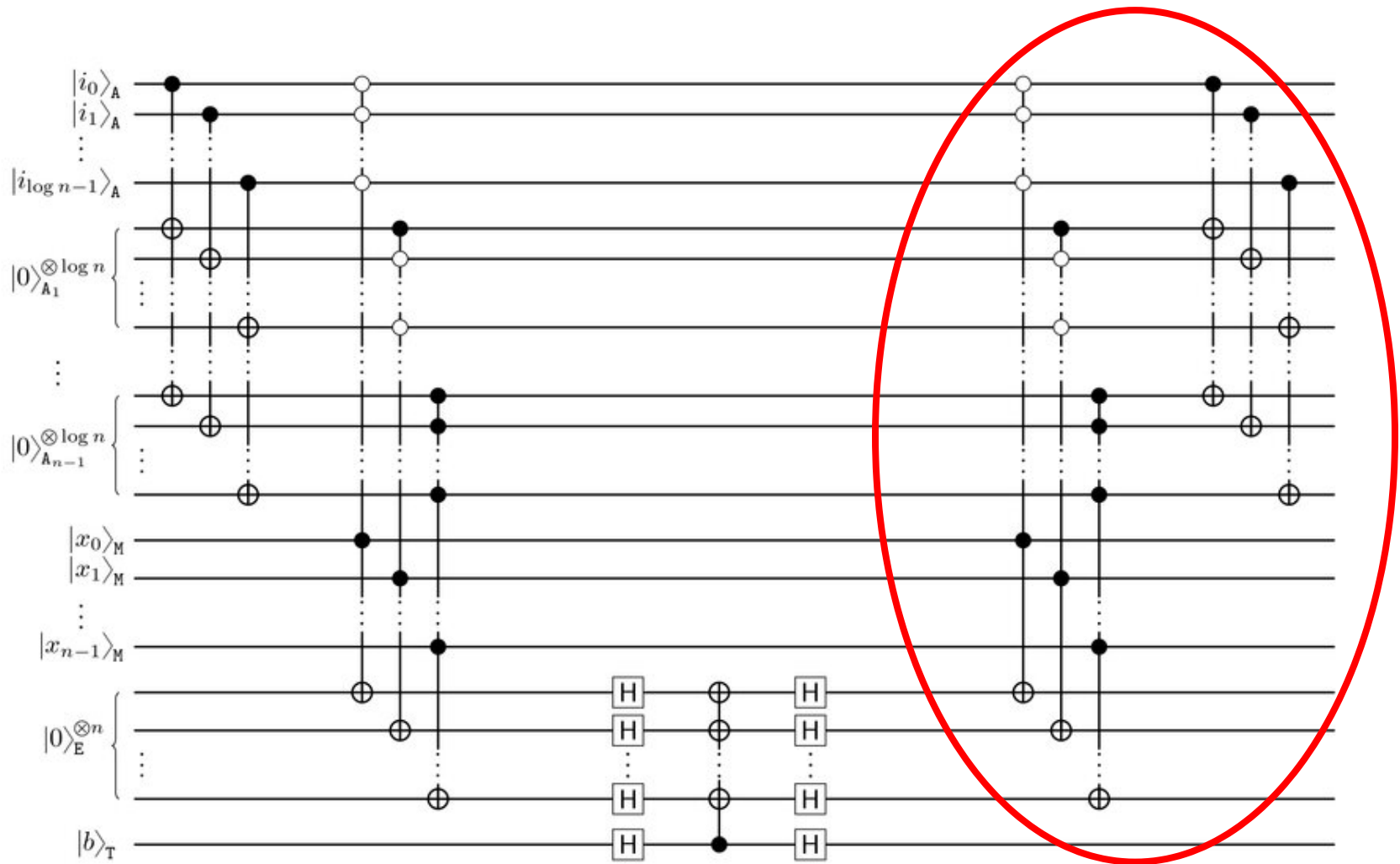




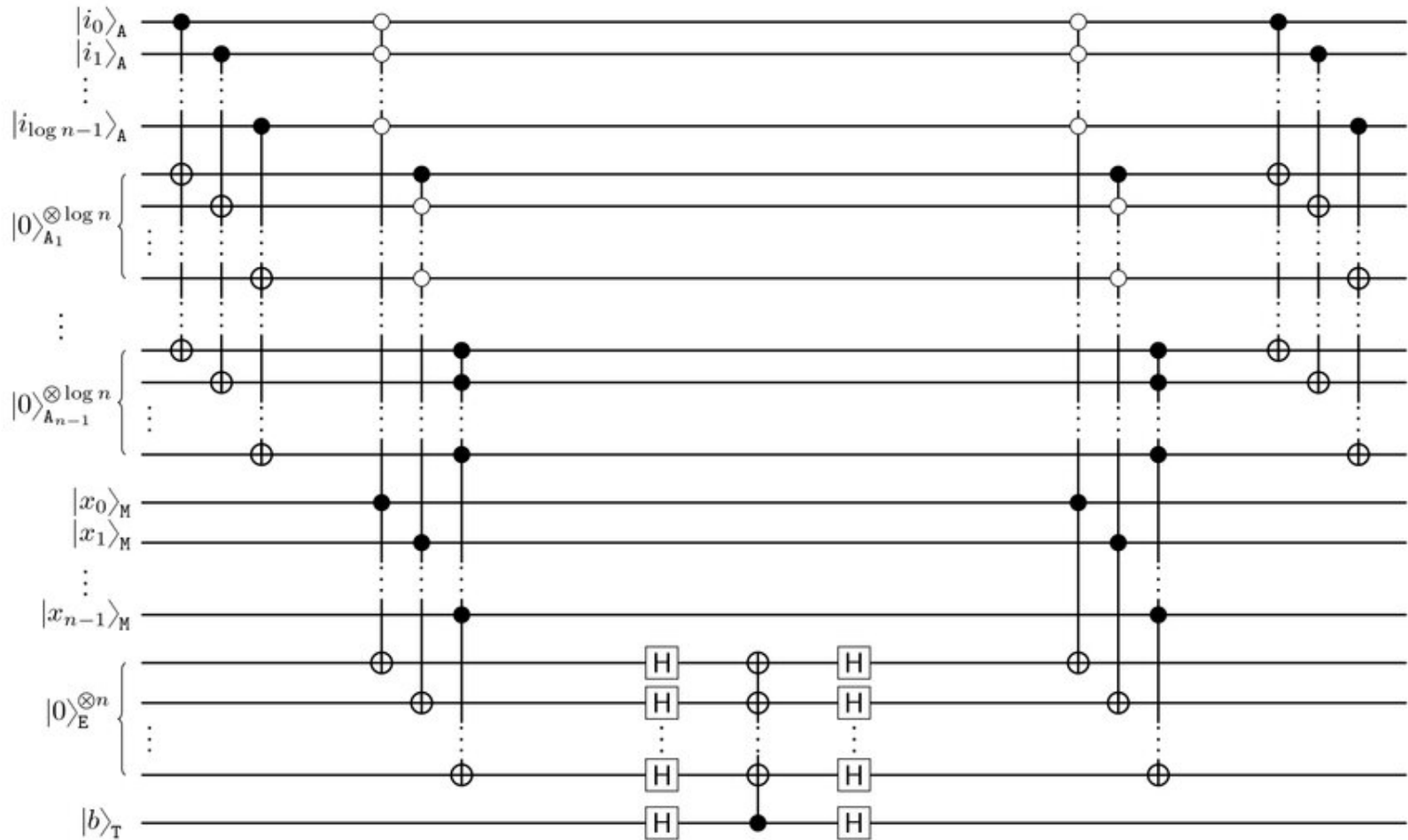






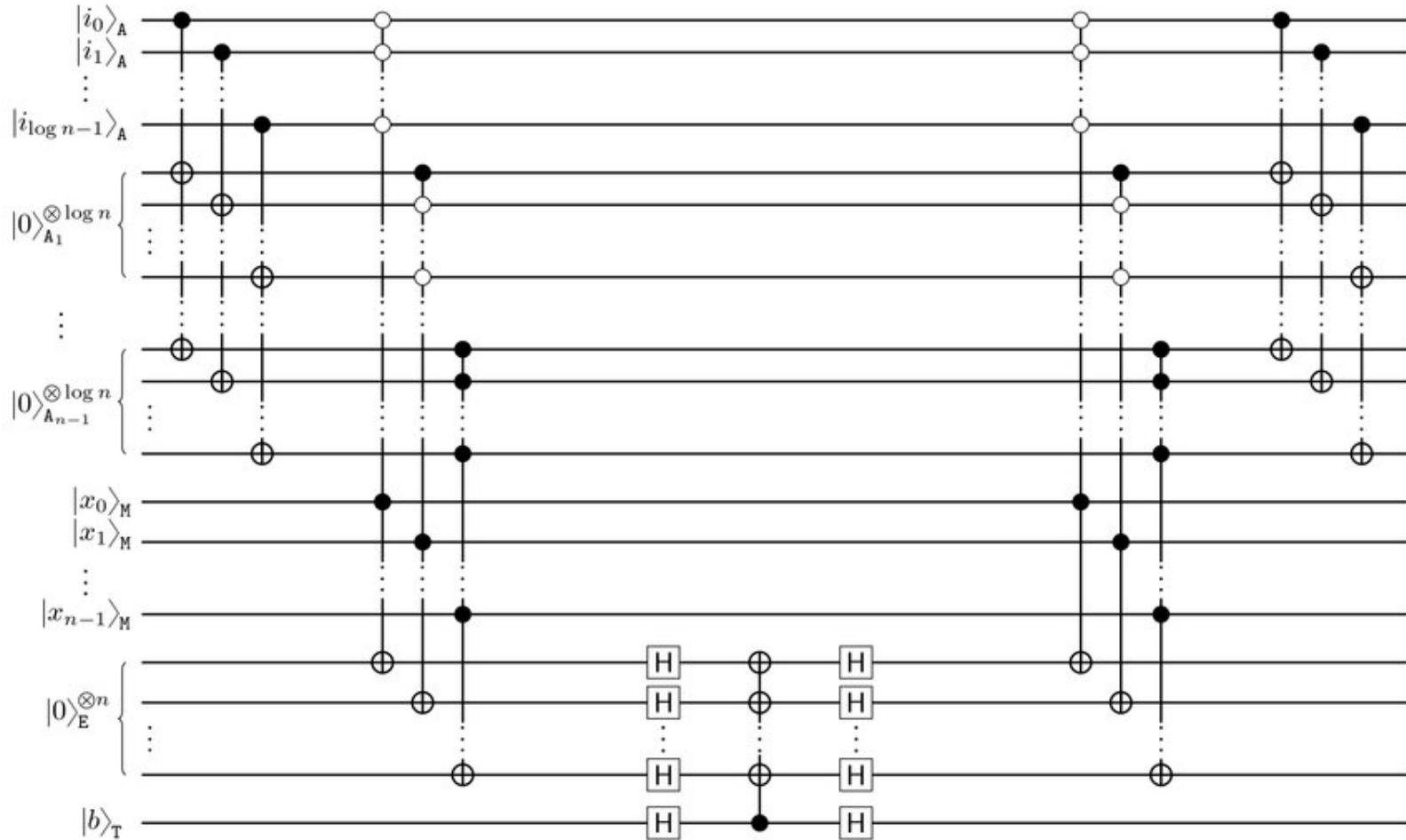


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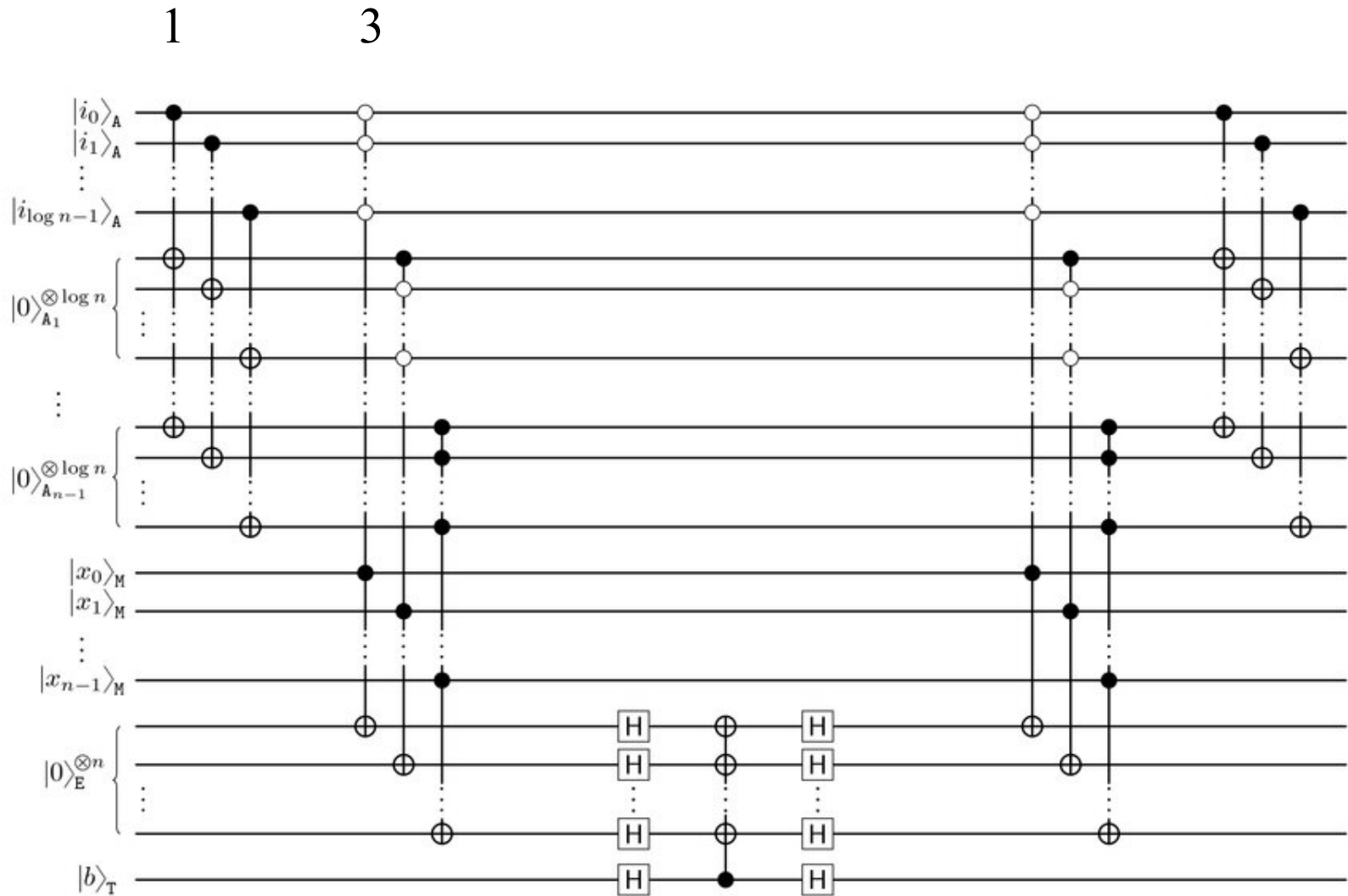


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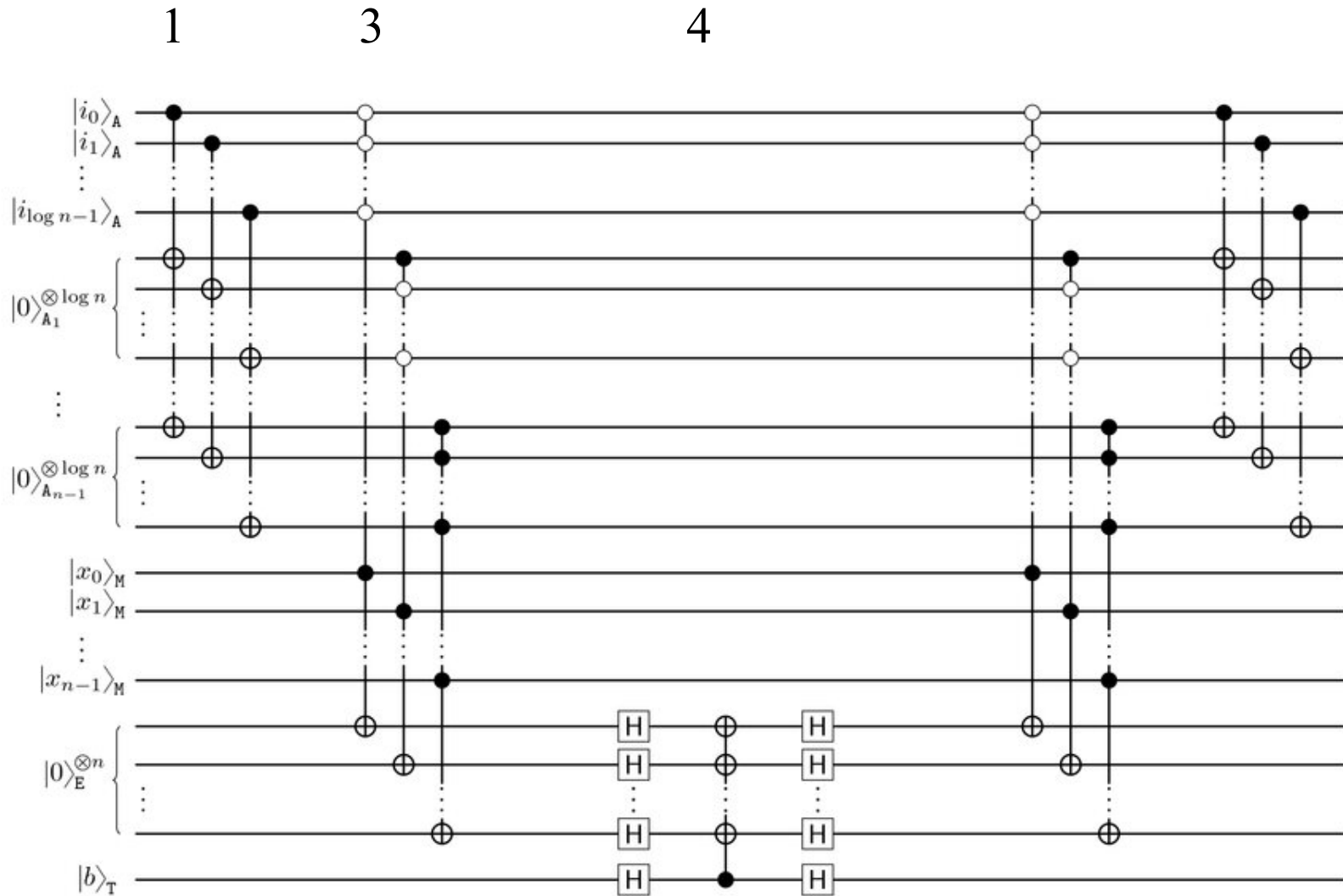
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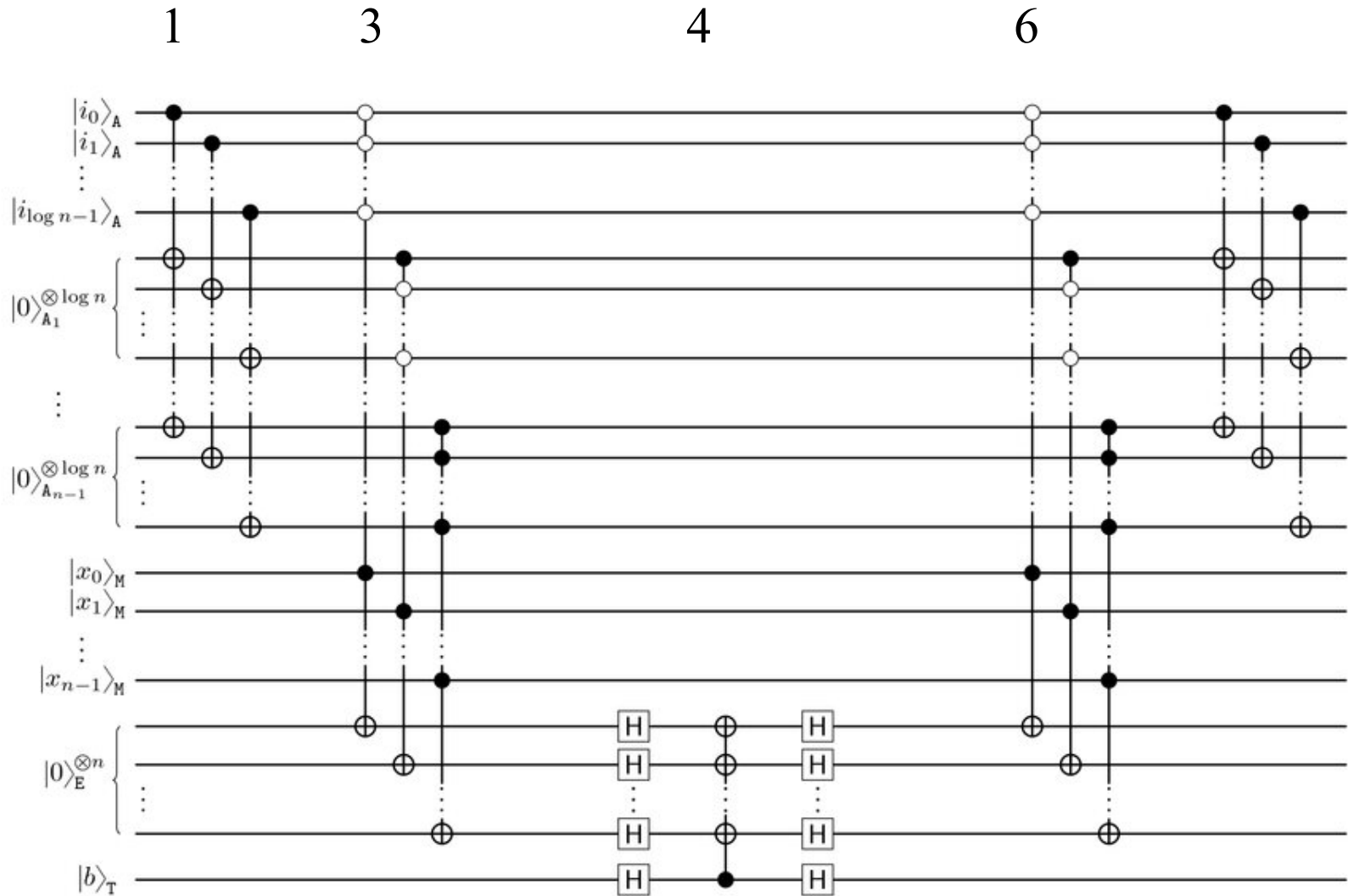
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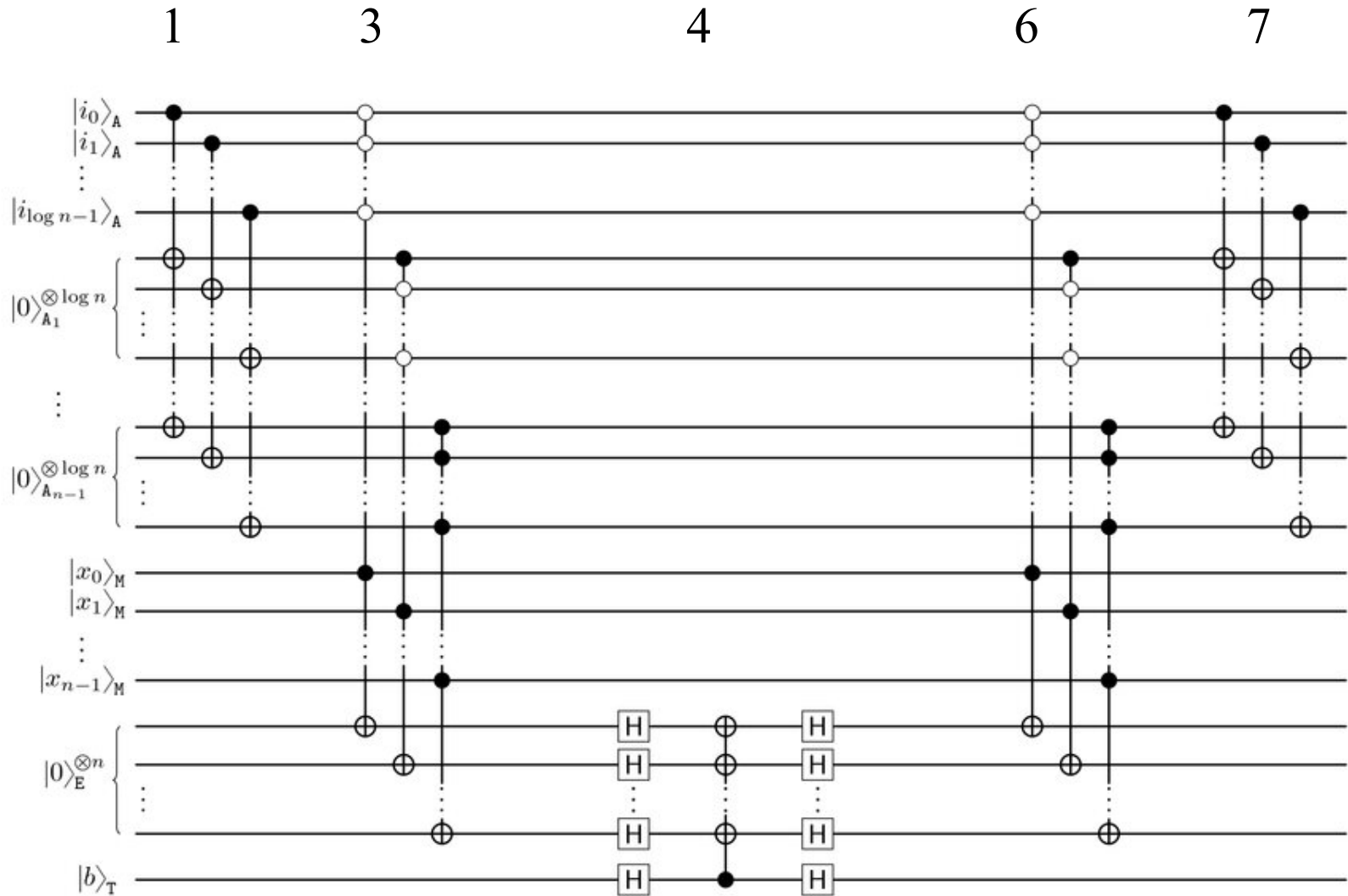
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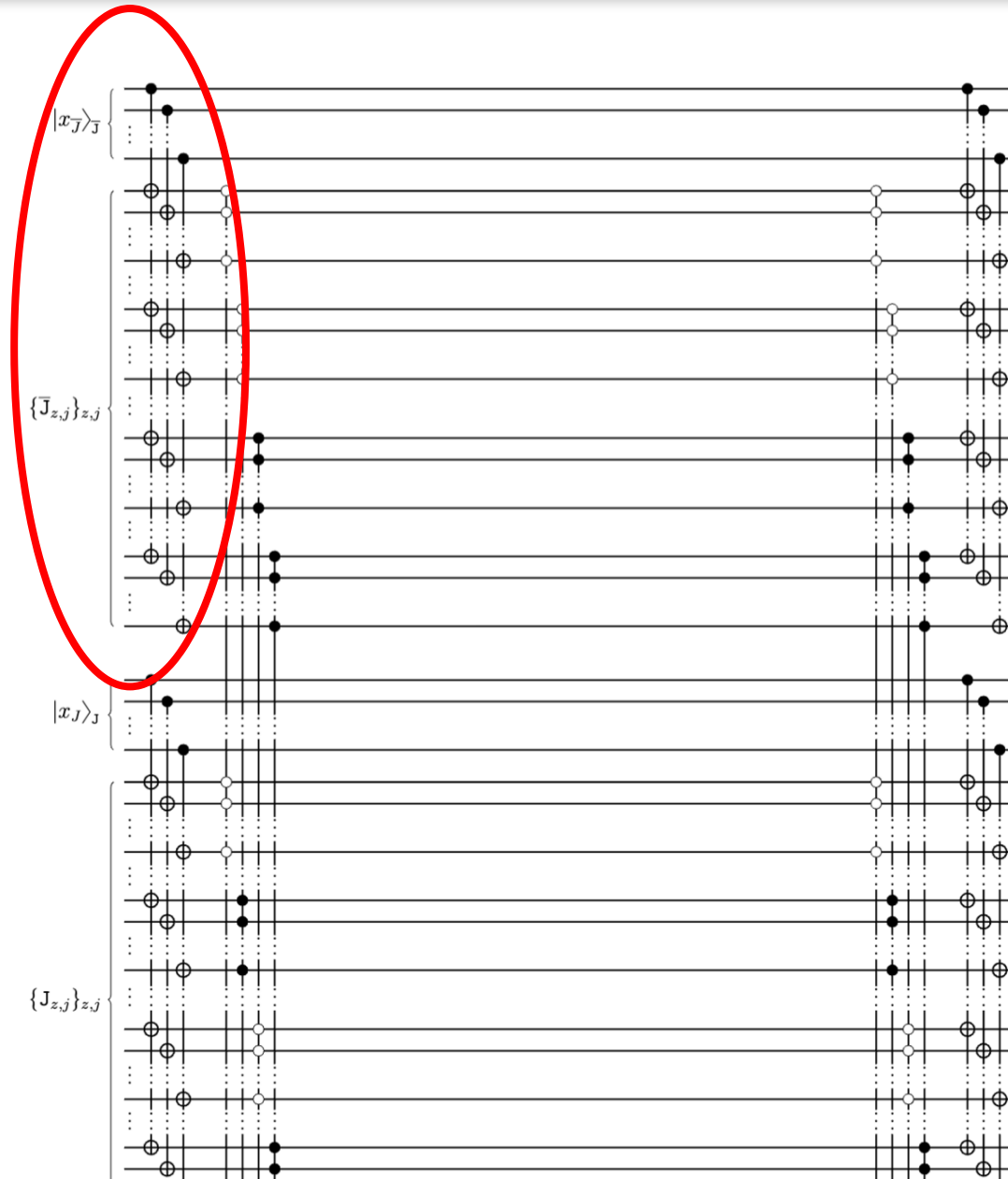


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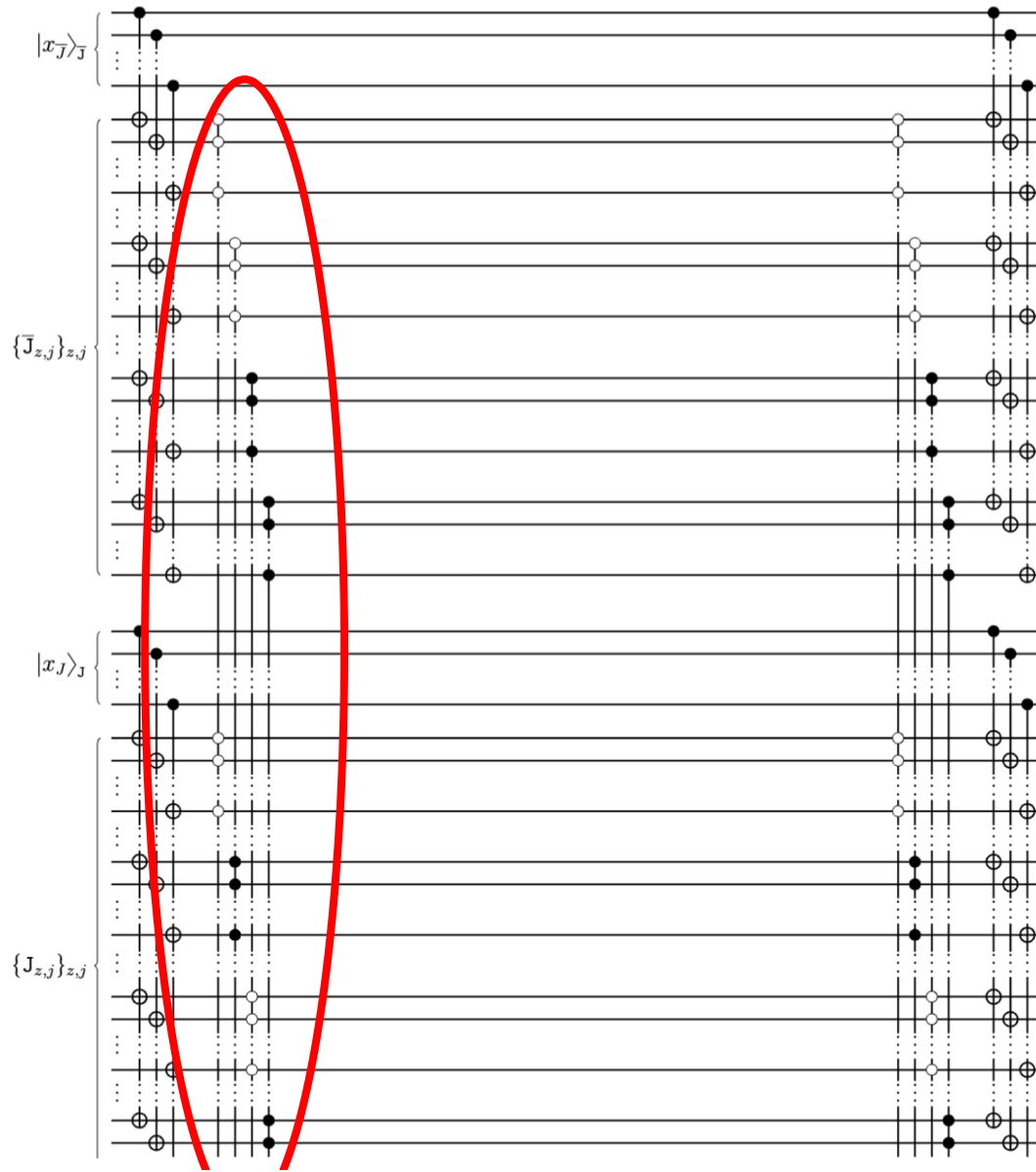
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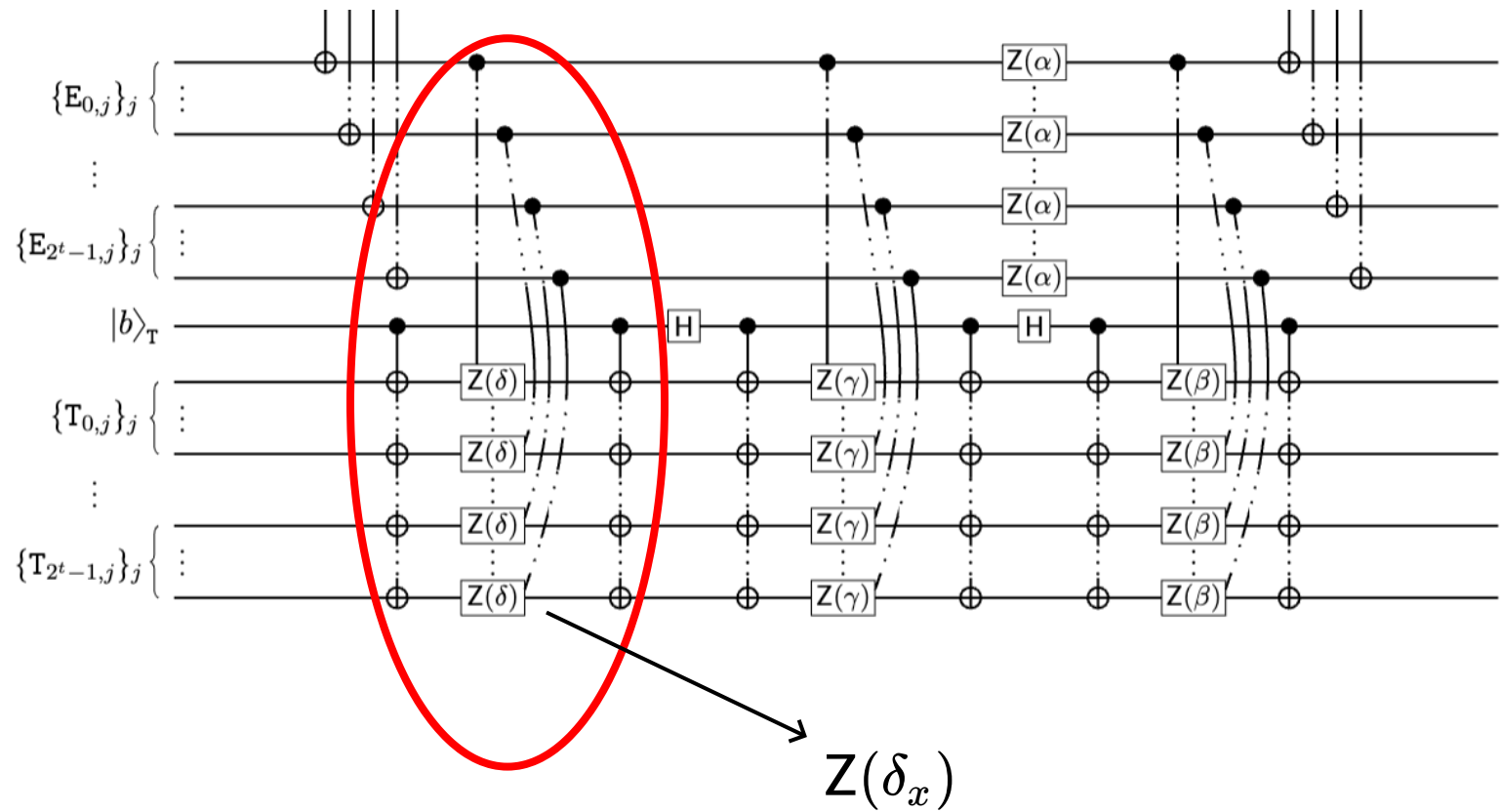
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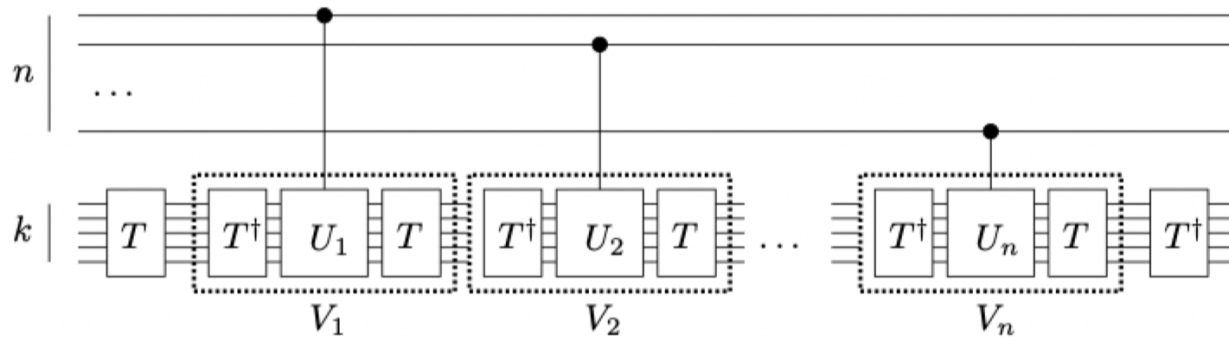


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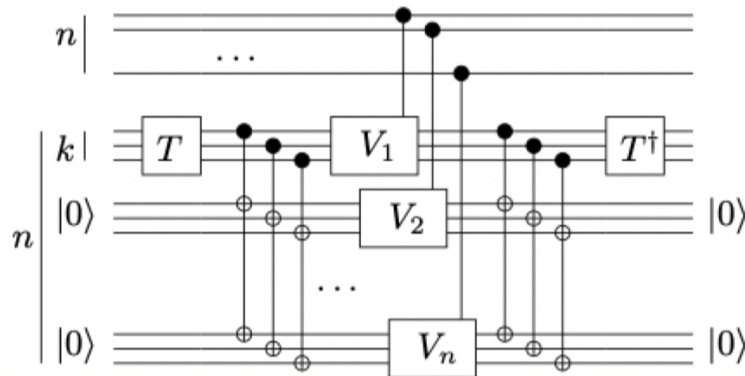


Figure 4: A parallelised circuit performing  $U = T^\dagger (\prod_{i=1}^n V_i^{x_i}) T = \prod_{i=1}^n U_i^{x_i}$

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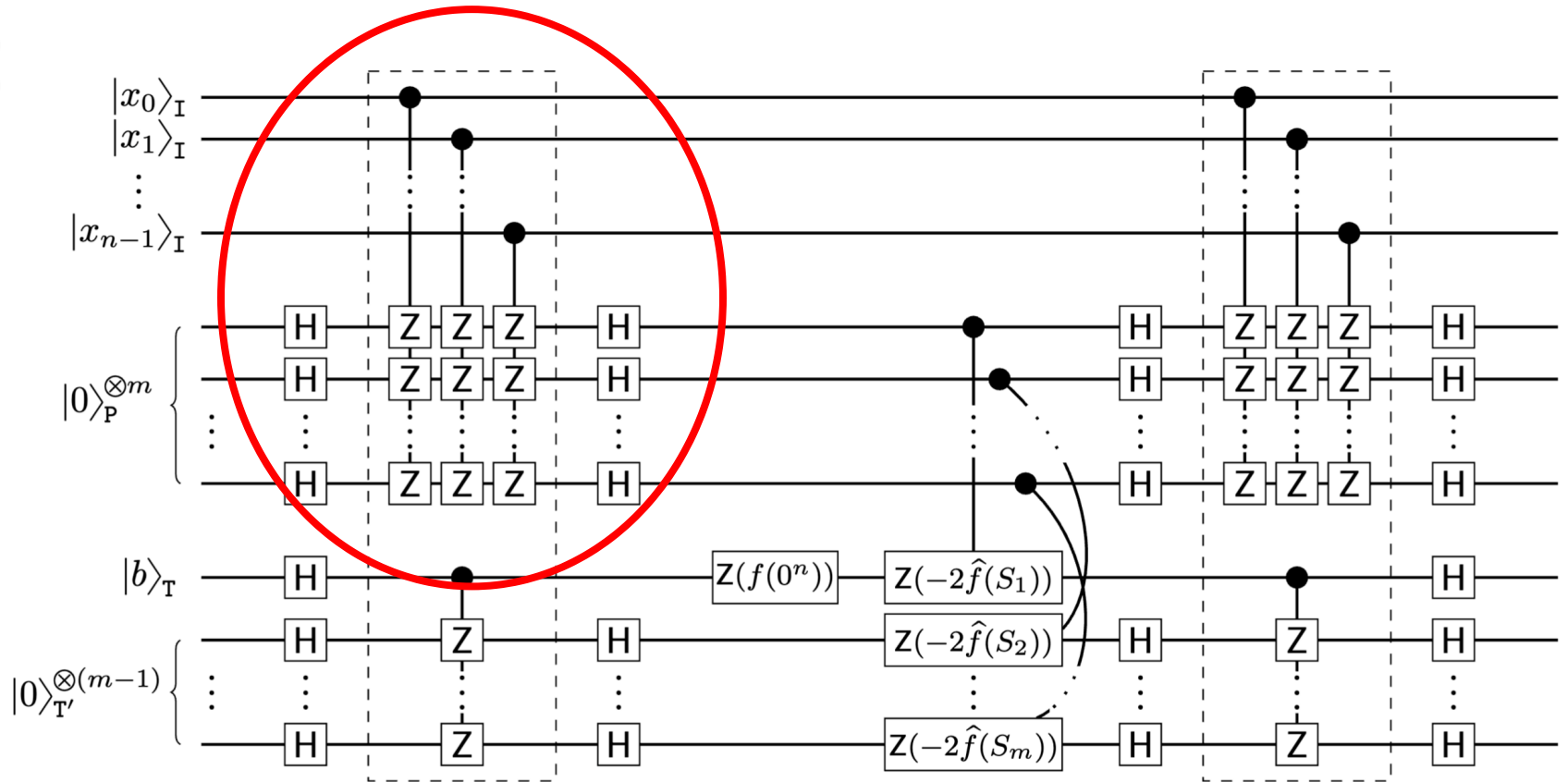
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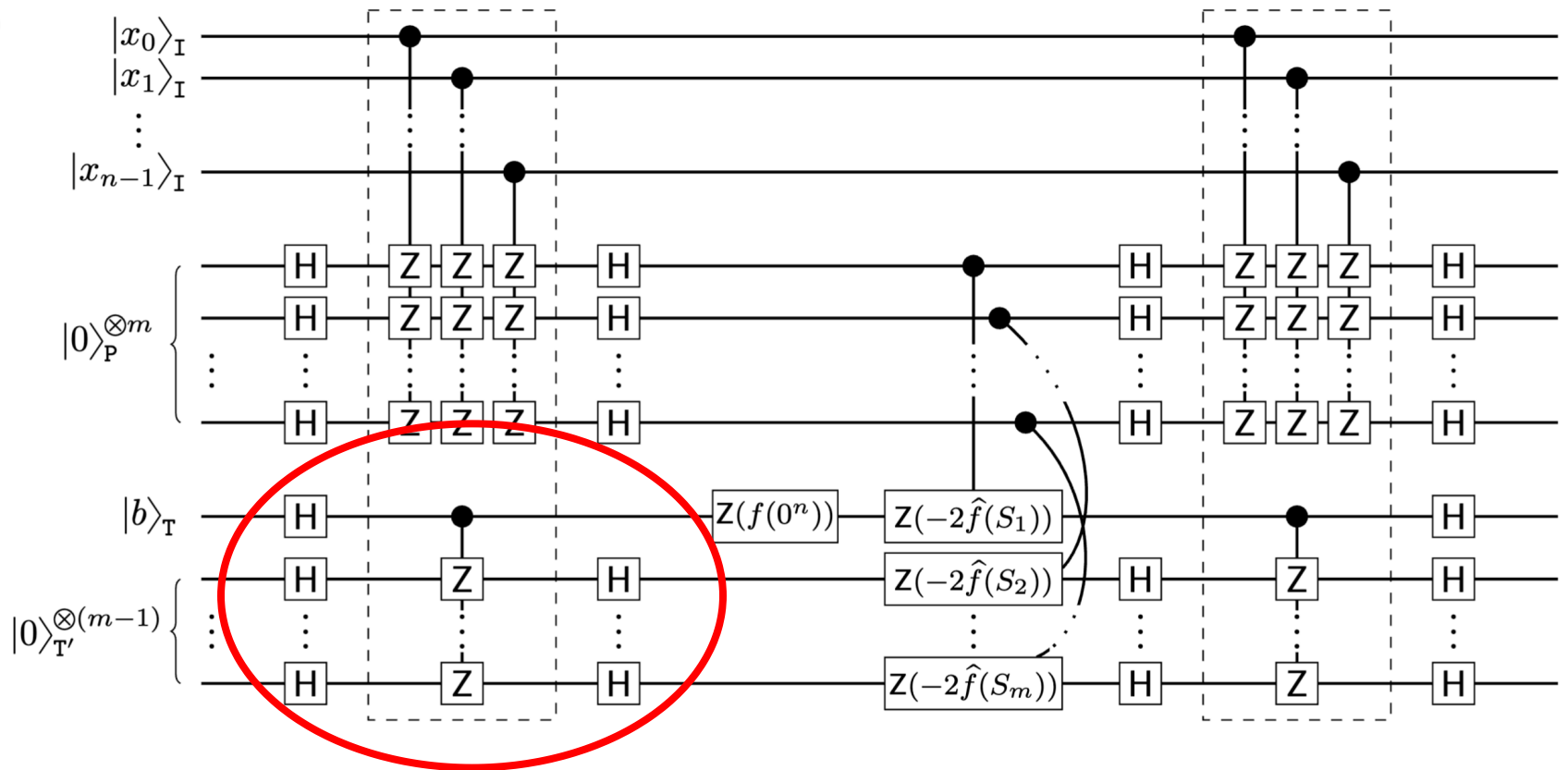
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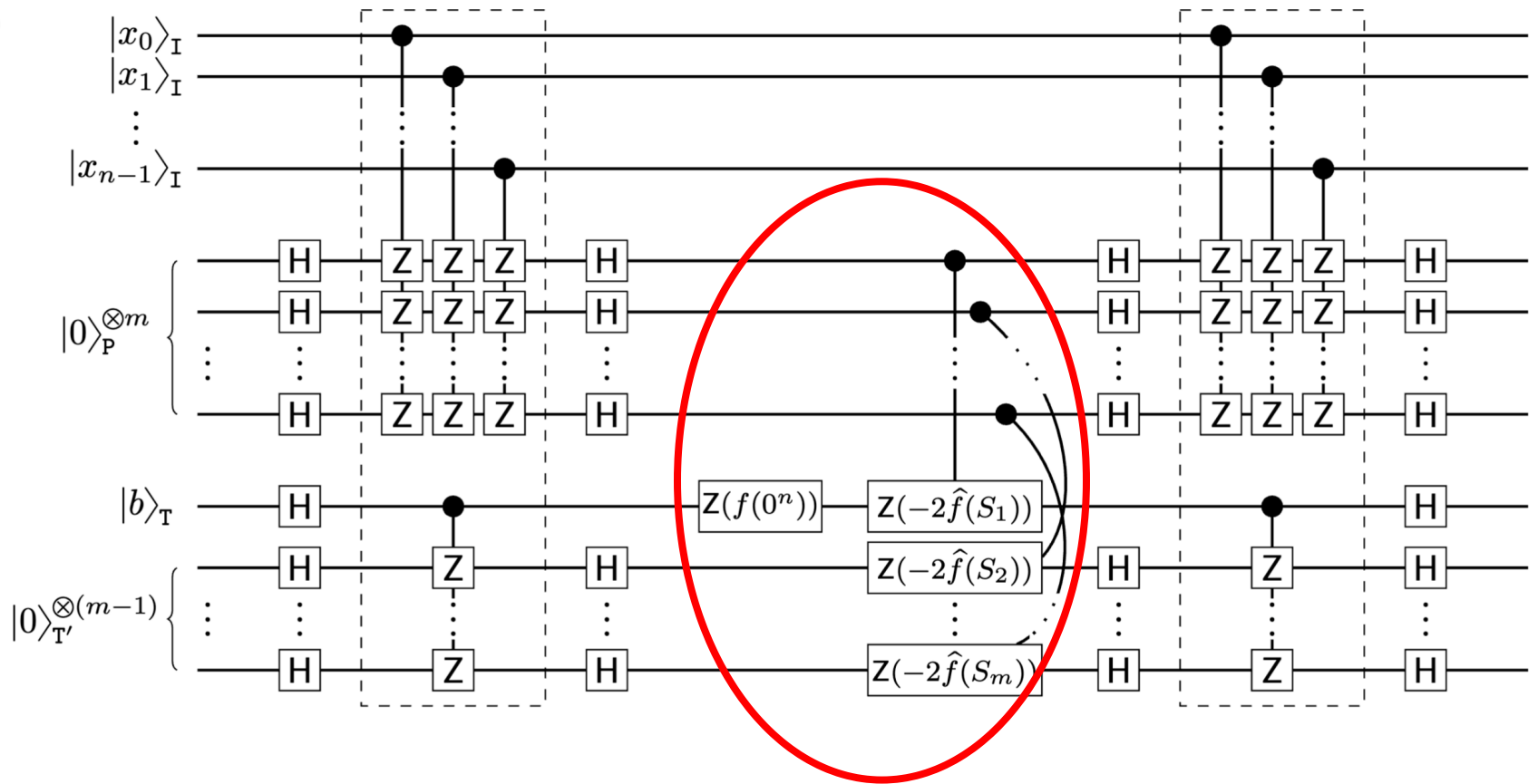
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- **(compute parity)** Attach an ancillary register  $|0\rangle_{\mathbb{P}}^{\otimes |\text{supp}^{>1}(f)|} = \bigotimes_{S \in \text{supp}^{>1}(f)} |0\rangle_{\mathbb{P}_S}$ . For each  $S \in \text{supp}^{>1}(f)$  in parallel, apply a  $\text{PARITY}_{\mathbb{R}_S \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_S}^{(|S|)}$  gate

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- **(copy target)** Copy  $T$  for  $\text{supp}^{>0}(f)$  times in  $T'$ .
- **(apply phase)** For each  $S \in \text{supp}^{>0}(\delta)$  in parallel, apply a  $Z(\tilde{\delta}(S))$  gate controlled on register  $P_S$  onto the  $S$ -th qubit in register  $T'$
- **(un-copy target)** Undo the copy.
- Observe that the relative phase is summing up, composing  $\delta$

$$|x\rangle_I |b\rangle_T \mapsto |x\rangle_I Z \left( \sum_{S \subseteq [n]} \hat{\delta}(S) \chi_S(x) \right) |b\rangle_{T, T'}^{\otimes m} \mapsto |x\rangle_I Z(\delta(x)) |b\rangle_T.$$

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$$(|0\rangle^{\otimes m} + (-1)^{\sum_S \hat{\delta}(S) \chi_S(x)} |1\rangle^{\otimes m})/\sqrt{2} = \mathbf{Z}(\delta(x))(|0\rangle^{\otimes m} + |1\rangle^{\otimes m})/\sqrt{2}$$

3. Uncompute the copies with another Fan-Out.

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# Conclusions

- We show *constant-depth* circuits:
  - UCGs
  - Boolean functions
  - quantum memory gates
- We can improve the depth of many circuits:
$$\log_2(n) \mapsto \log_k(n)$$
- Bonus: *formal definition of quantum computer with access to quantum memory*
- **Future work? Moral of the story?**



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