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# <u>AmigoLUT</u>: Scaling up LUT-based Neural Networks with Ensemble Learning

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#### What is a lookup-table-based NN?

• Lookup-table-based NNs are NNs implemented as a collection of LUTs

• <u>Example:</u> LogicNet

#### LogicNet

• Each neuron is implemented using LUTs on an FPGA

- <u>Advantage:</u> Only perform lookups instead of multiplications
  - $\rightarrow$  Fast!

• **Disadvantage:** LUT resources scale up O(2<sup>n</sup>) w.r.t. LUT inputs

 $\rightarrow$  Extremely sparse & quantized NNs hard to scale up in accuracy.

### LogicNets are **hard** to scale up!

## **Solution: Ensemble learning**

#### What is Ensemble Learning?

- <u>Ensemble learning:</u> Train **multiple weak models** to make a decision together
  - $\circ$  Many weak models promotes diversity for better decision making

- Advantages:
  - Easier to find weak models

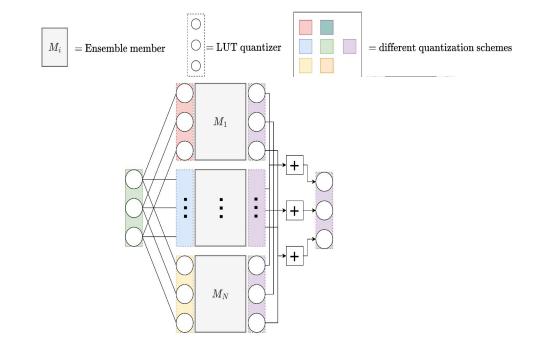
- Disadvantages:
  - Long training times

#### How does **ensemble learning** address LogicNet's scaling issue?

#### Ensemble learning scales up **linearly** w.r.t. # models!

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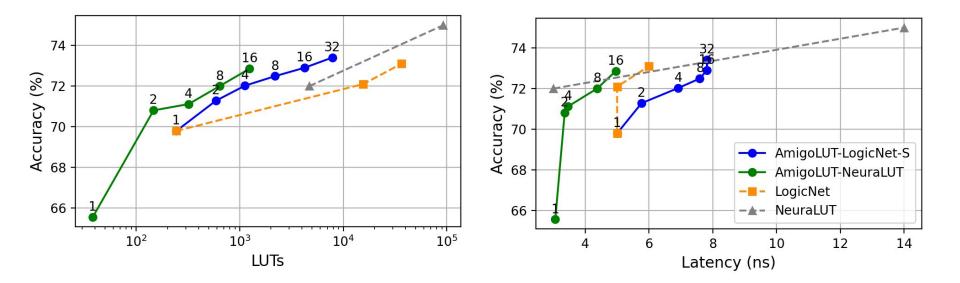
• A method for mapping ensembles of LUT-based NNs to FPGAs efficiently!



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#### How well does AmigoLUT scale up LUT NNs?

• Jet substructure classification dataset



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• Scales up LUT-based NN resources linearly!

• **Reduces resource overhead** of mapping ensembles to FPGAs.