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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(2ⁿ) 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

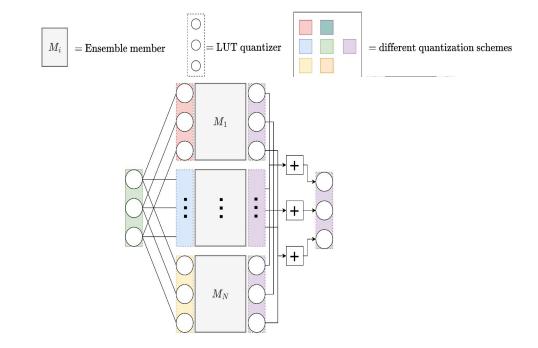
- Disadvantages:
 - Long training times

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

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

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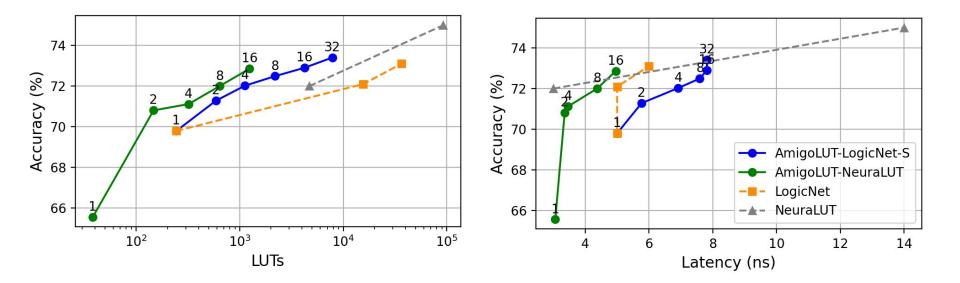
• A method for mapping ensembles of LUT-based NNs to FPGAs efficiently!



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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.