

2021 IWLS Programming Contest:

Team NTU-ALCOM

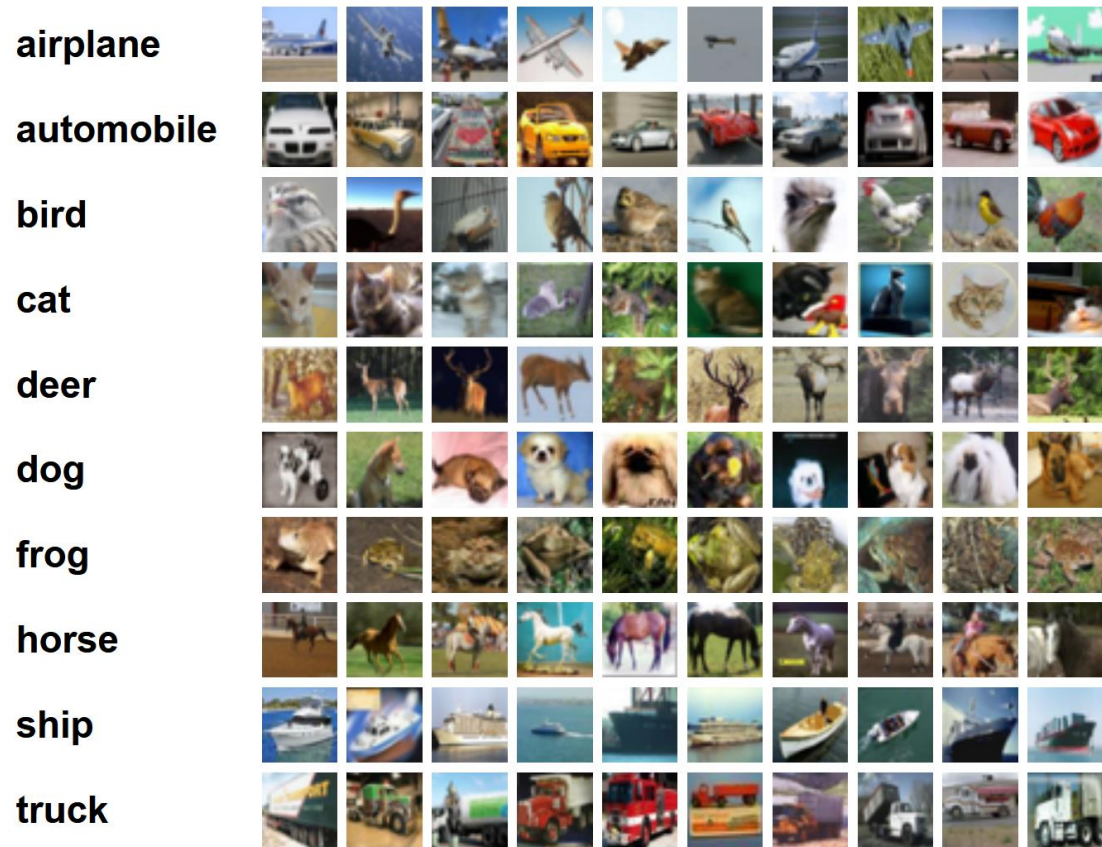
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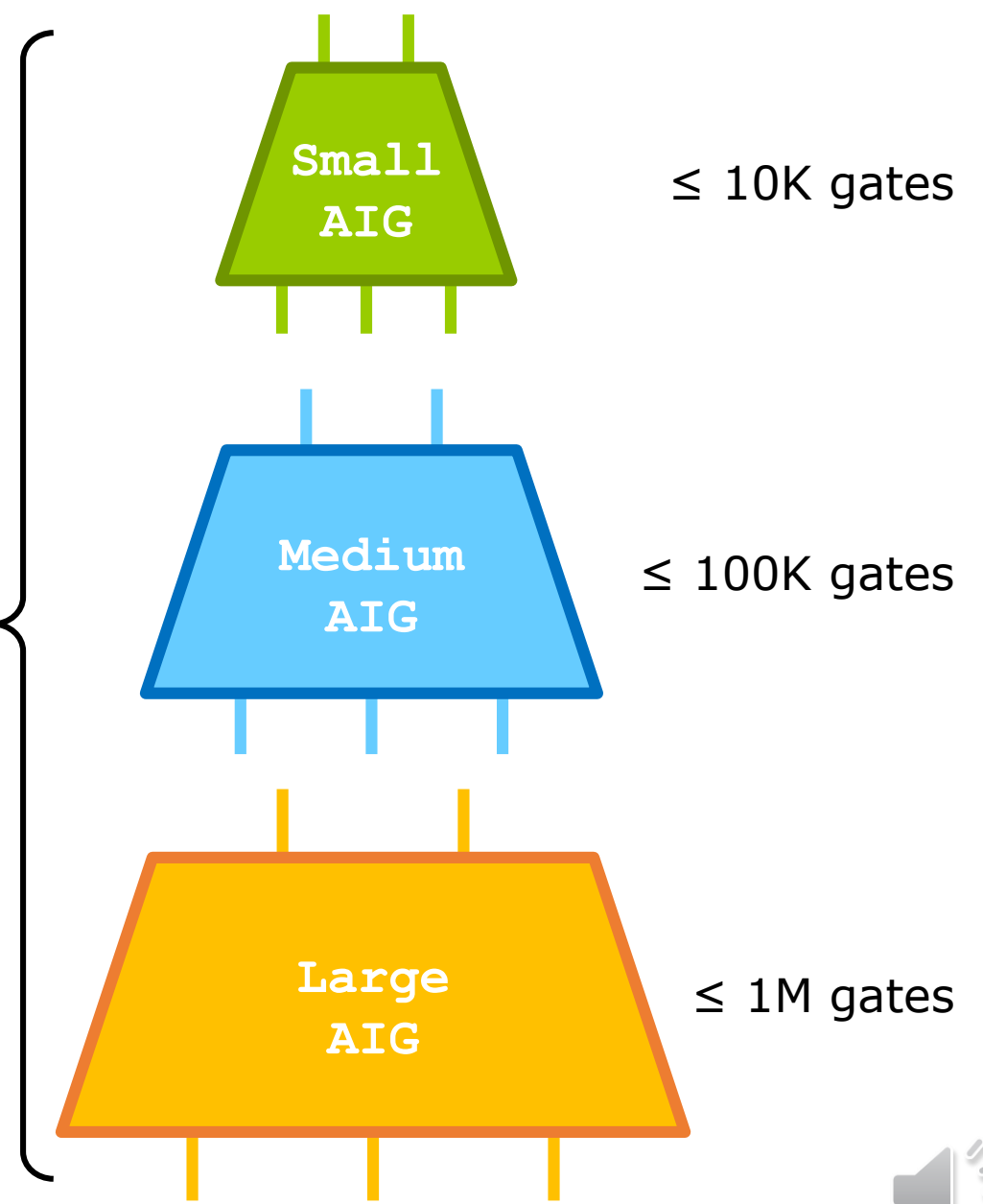


Problem Description



CIFAR-10 dataset

learn →



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- Target function to be learned:

$$f: \{0, 1\}^{32 \times 32 \times 3 \times 8} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{10}$$

height width #channels #bits per pixel
32 × 32 × 3 × 8

The number 24,576 in the input set is highlighted with a blue dotted box, and a blue dotted line connects it to the '3' in the '#channels' label above.

24,576 is larger than the size limit **10,000** of small AIGs!

Image Preprocessing

□ Down-sampling

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3
1,0	1,1	1,2	1,3
2,0	2,1	2,2	2,3
3,0	3,1	3,2	3,3

stride=2



0,0	0,2
2,0	2,2

0,1	0,3
2,1	2,3

1,0	1,2
3,0	3,2

1,1	1,3
3,1	3,3



Image Preprocessing

- Bit truncation of each pixel

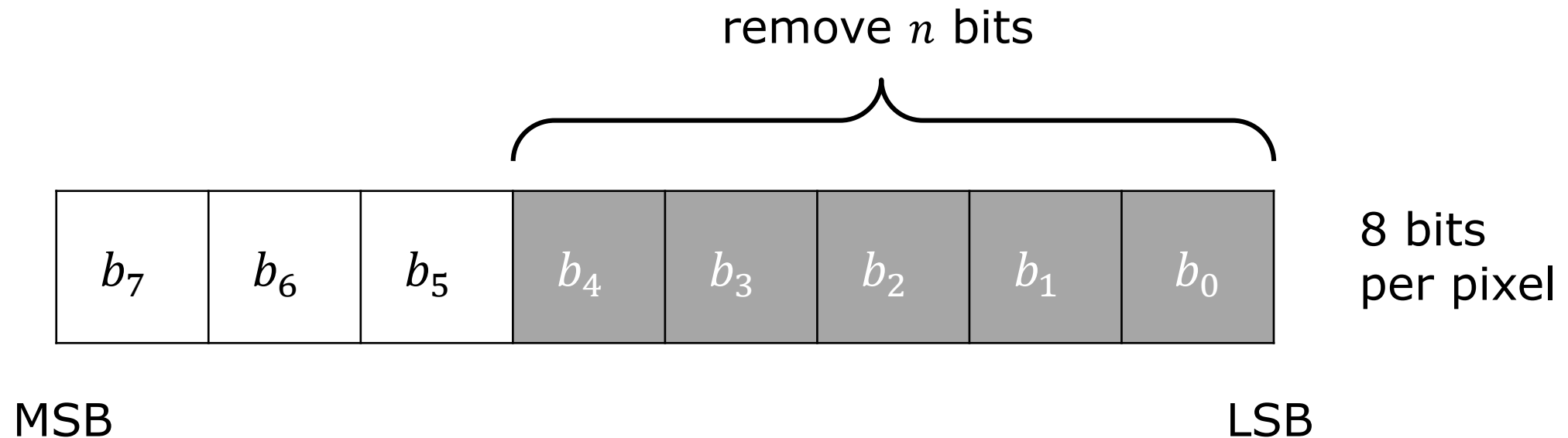


Image Preprocessing

- Augmentation: flip, shift, scale, rotate...

0,0	0,1	0,2	0,3
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3,0	3,1	3,2	3,3

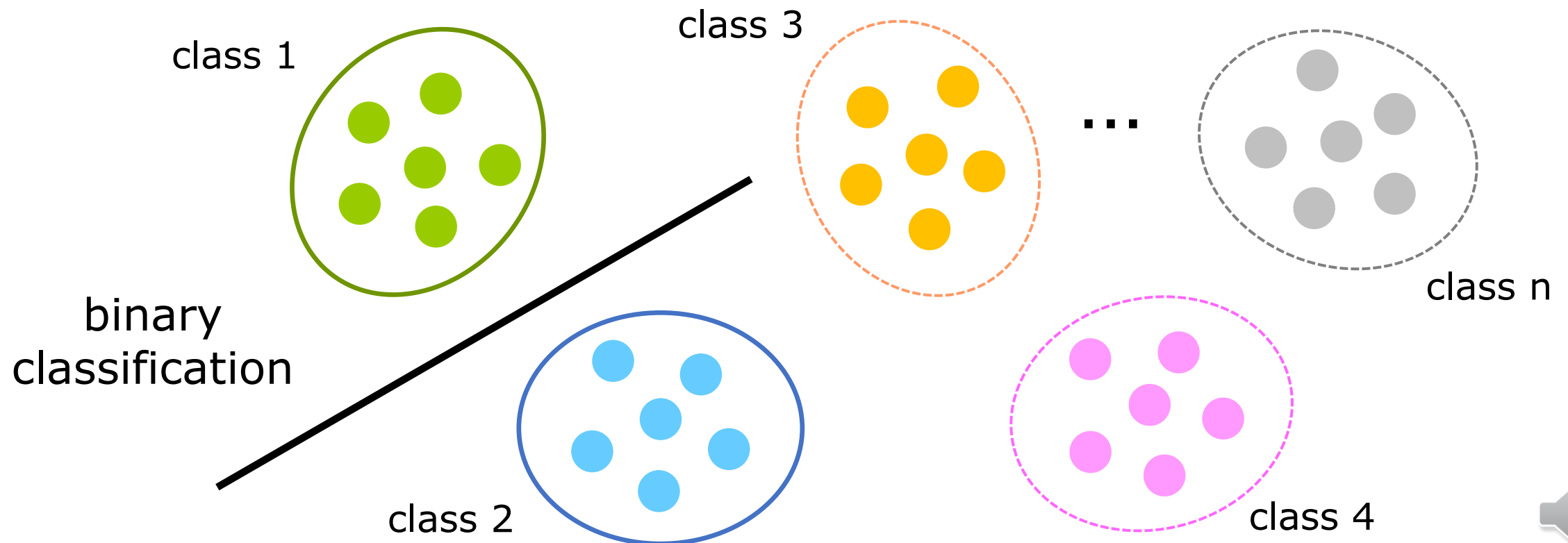
horizontal
flip
→

0,3	0,2	0,1	0,0
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2,3	2,2	2,1	2,0
3,3	3,2	3,1	3,0



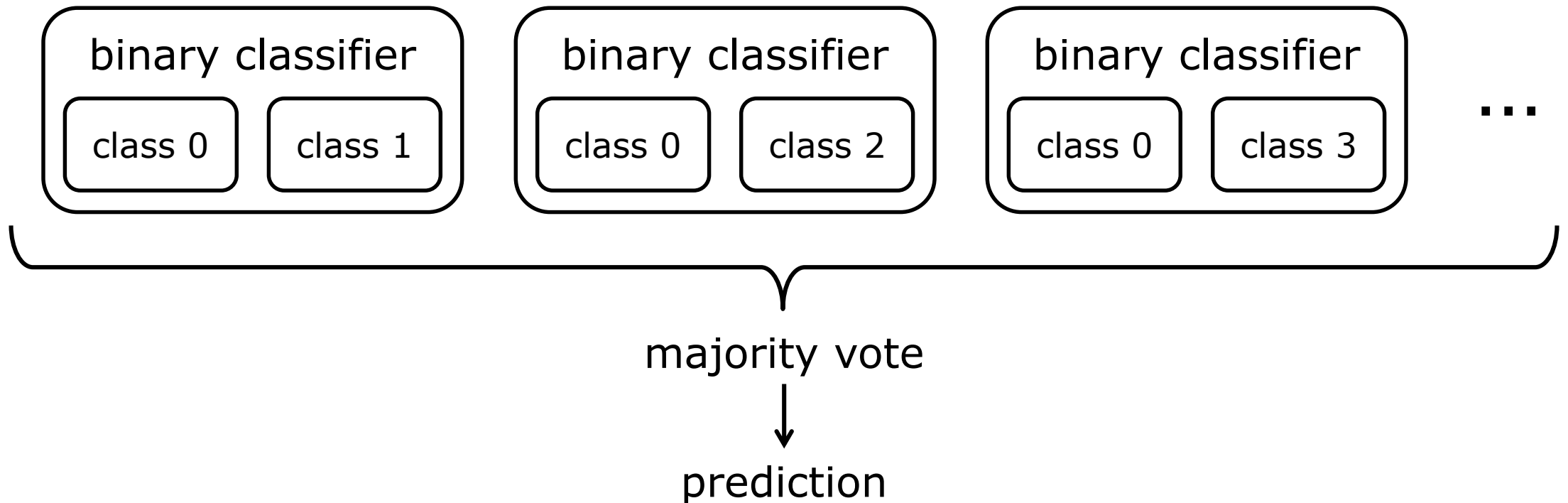
Learning Small Circuits

- Construct multi-class classifier using **one-against-one (OAO)** approach with binary classifiers.



Learning Small Circuits

- For CIFAR-10 dataset, there are $C(10, 2) = 45$ binary classifiers in total.



Learning Small Circuits

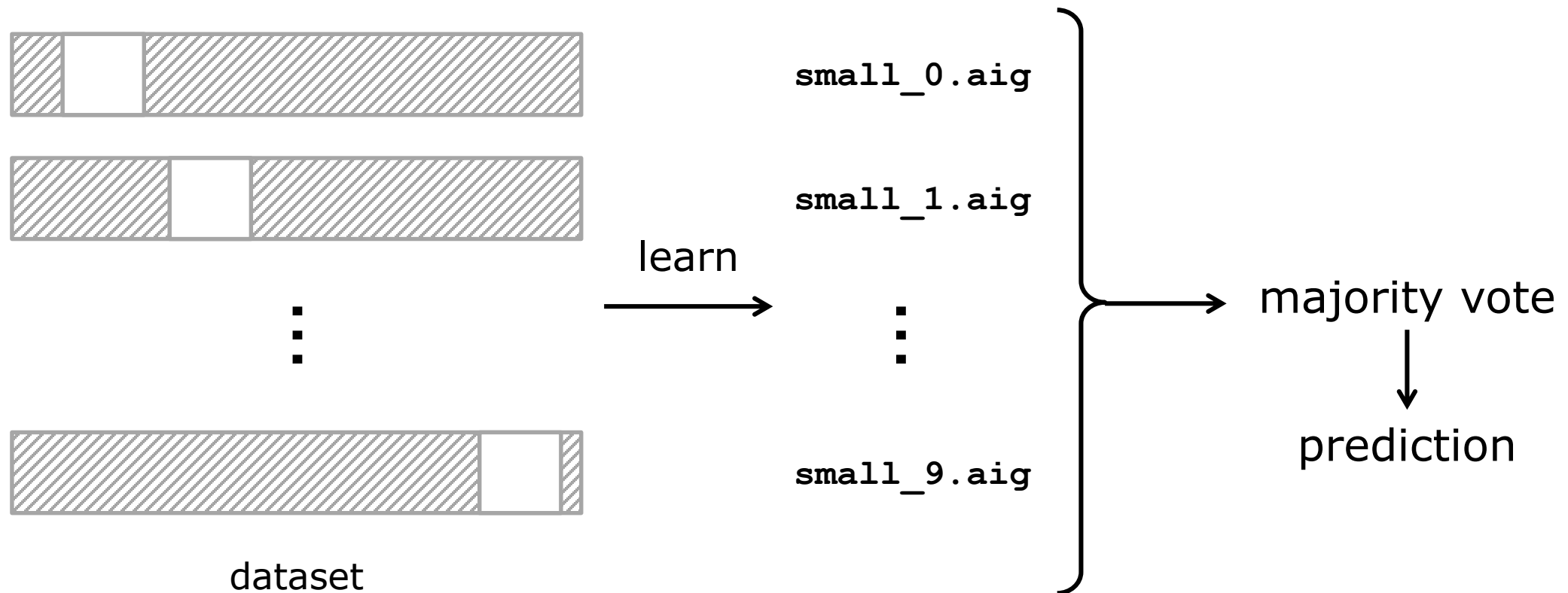
- Type of binary classifier:
 - decision tree classifier from scikit-learn [1]

- To restrict size and avoid overfitting:
 - maximum tree depth (`max_depth`)
 - cost complexity pruning (`ccp_alpha`)



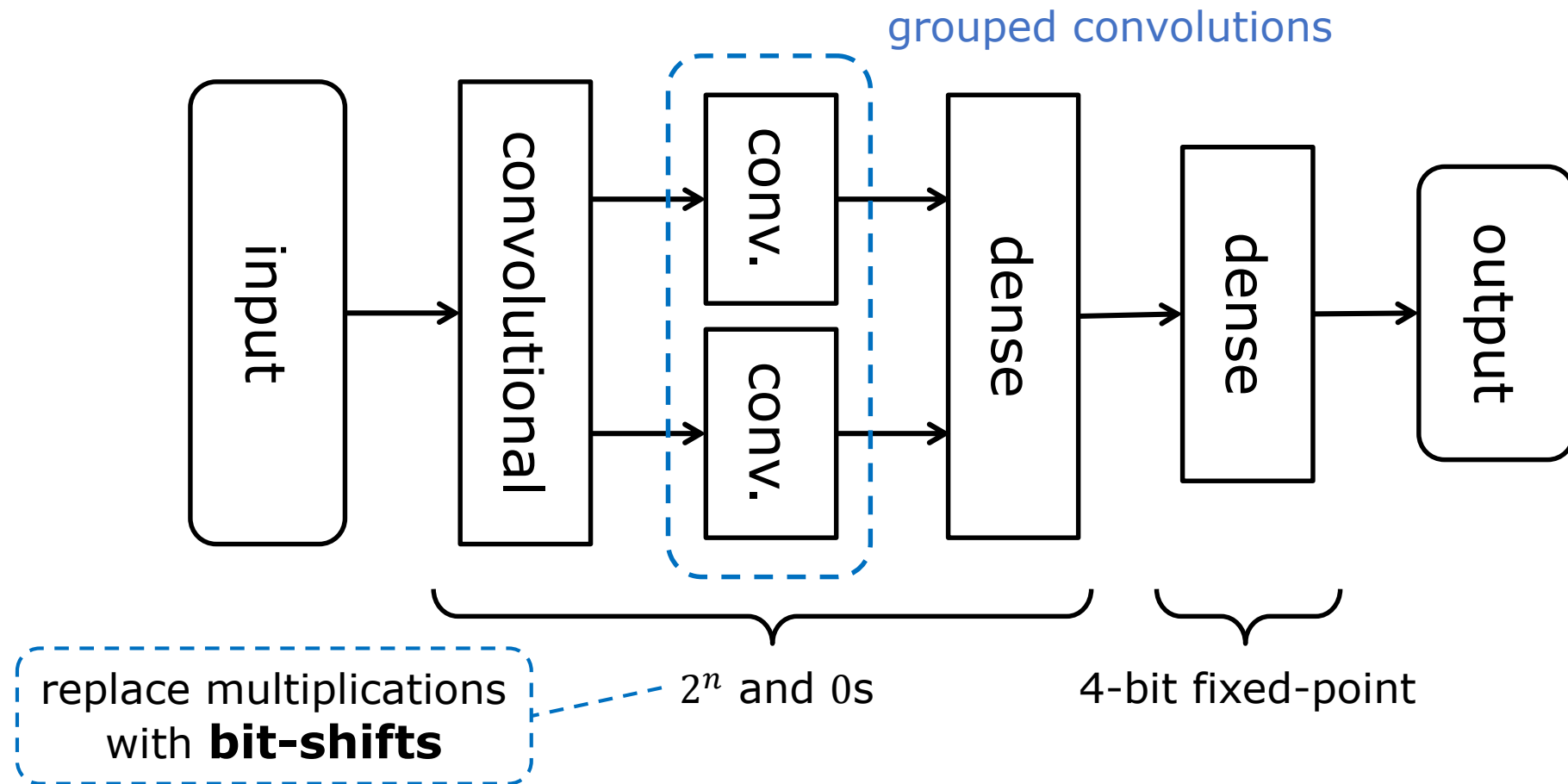
Learning Medium Circuits

- Ensemble of 10 small classifiers trained with different portions of the dataset.



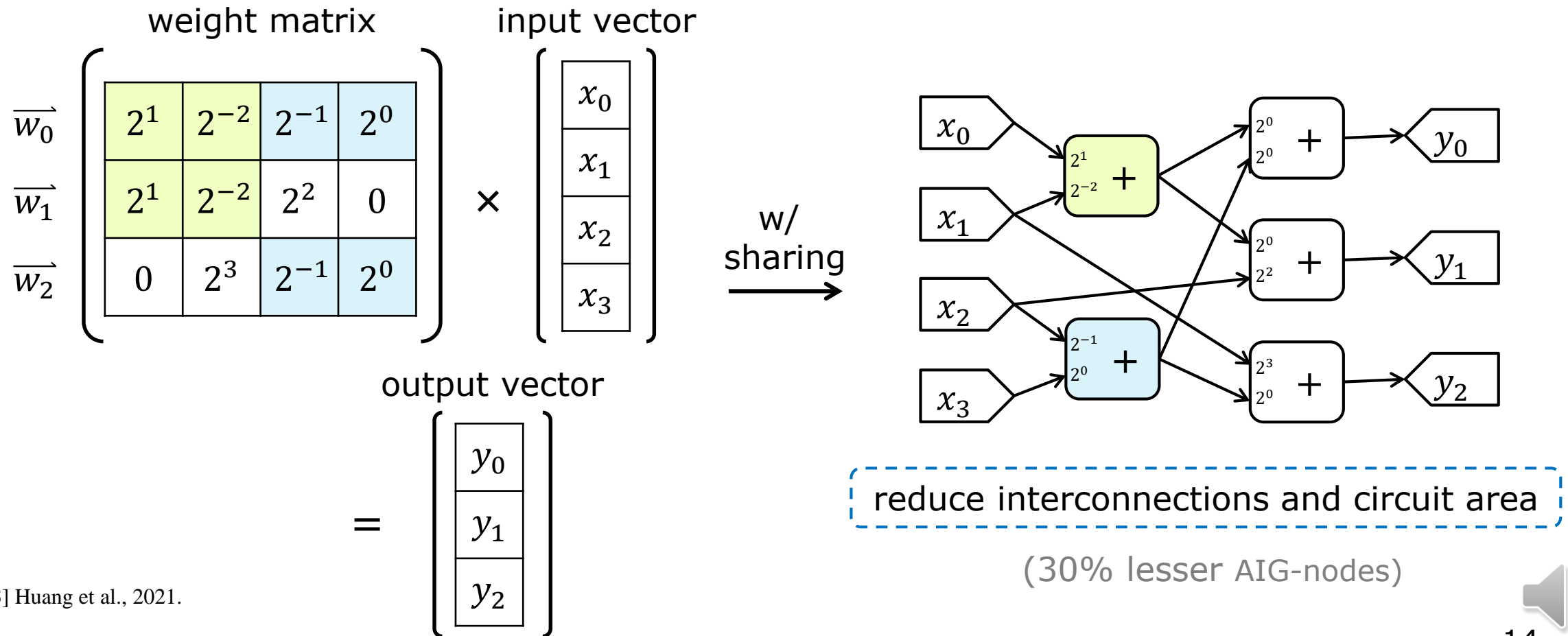
Learning Large Circuits

- Shallow CNN with grouped convolutions and quantized weights.



Learning Large Circuits

- CNN synthesized with sub-adder sharing [3].

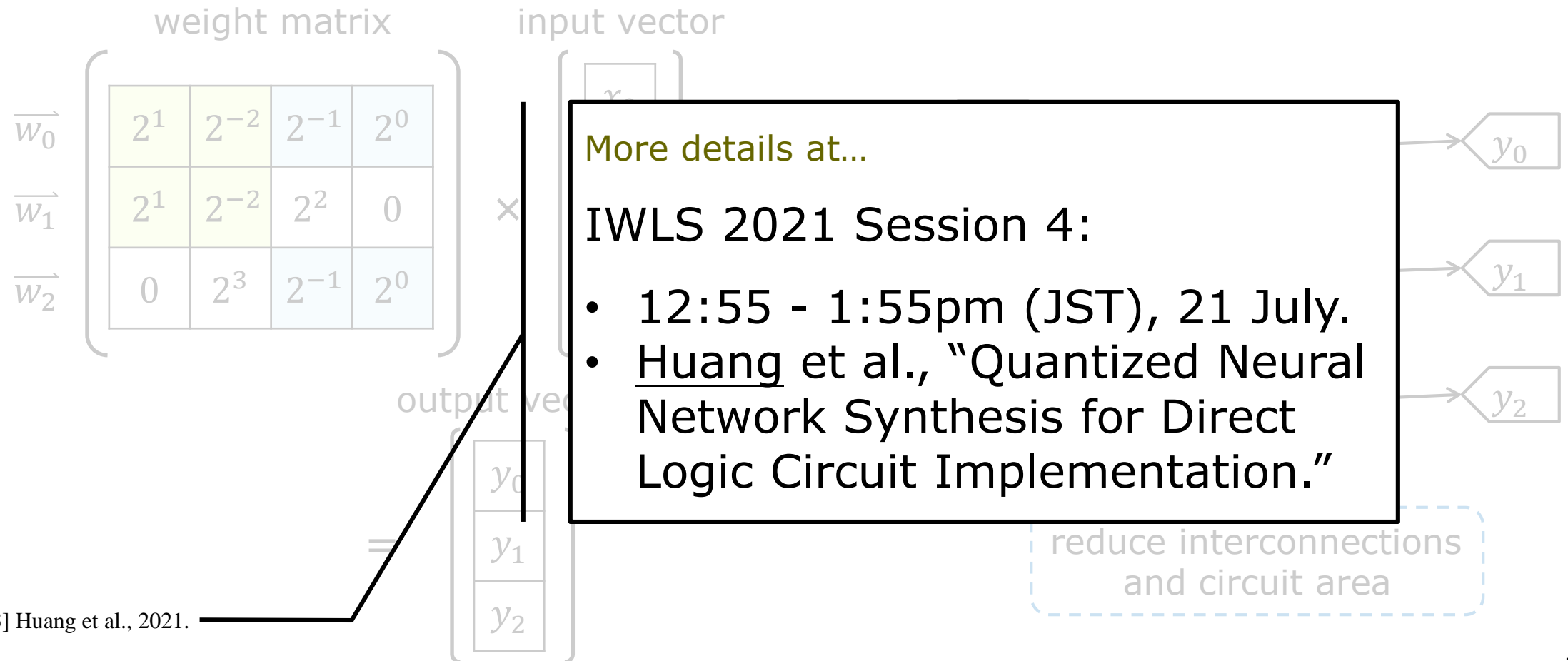


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Learning Large Circuits

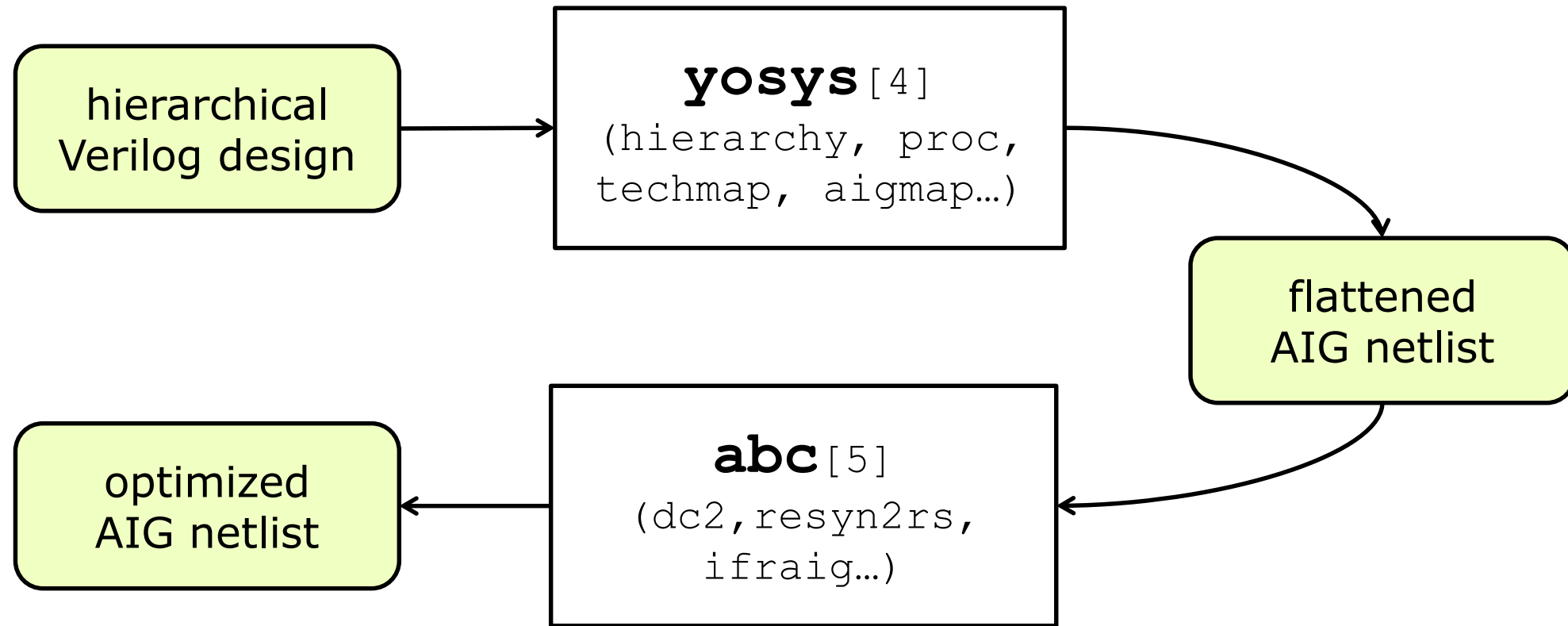
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Logic Synthesis



[4] Wolf et al., 2013. [5] Brayton et al., 2010.



Our Results

Submitted version

	small	medium	large
size (#gates)	9,697	97,350	995,247
training acc.	44.96%	56.77%	59.33%
testing acc.	39.31%	44.69%	54.68%



Our Results

- Newer version (after fine-tuning and bug fixing)

	small	medium	large
size (#gates)	9,697 → 9,273	97,350 → 99,873	995,247 → 967,173
training acc.	44.96% → 43.89%	56.77% → 54.99%	59.33% → 59.18
testing acc.	39.31% → 39.51%	44.69% → 45.44%	54.68% → 56.34

smaller gap (less overfitting)

higher

Conclusions

- Our methods and results can be summarized as follows.

	small	medium	large
model structure	decision tree	decision tree	neural network
size (#gates)	9,273	99,873	967,173
testing acc.	39.51%	45.44%	56.34%

- The source code will be made public at <https://github.com/NTU-ALComLab/IWLS2021>.



THE END

