

# QuantumBoost: A lazy, yet fast, quantum algorithm for learning with weak hypotheses

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## QuantumBoost achieves the fastest known total runtime

BOOSTING ALGORITHM	TOTAL RUNTIME	ITERATIONS ( $T$ )	REF.
1. ADABOOST	$\frac{W}{\gamma^2} + \frac{d}{\epsilon\gamma^4}$	$\frac{\log(1/\epsilon)}{\gamma^2}$	[FS97]
2. QUANTUM ADABOOST	$\frac{W^{1.5}\sqrt{d}}{\epsilon\gamma^{11}}$	$\frac{\log(1/\epsilon)}{\gamma^2}$	[AM20]
3. SMOOTHBOOST	$\frac{W}{\epsilon^2\gamma^2} + \frac{d}{\epsilon^4\gamma^4}$	$\frac{1}{\epsilon\gamma^2}$	[Ser03]
4. QUANTUM SMOOTHBOOST	$\frac{W}{\epsilon^{2.5}\gamma^4} + \frac{\sqrt{d}}{\epsilon^{3.5}\gamma^5}$	$\frac{1}{\epsilon\gamma^2}$	[IdW23]
5. KALE'S SMOOTHBOOST	$\frac{W}{\epsilon\gamma^2} + \frac{d}{\gamma^4} + \frac{1}{\epsilon\gamma^6}$	$\frac{\log(1/\epsilon)}{\gamma^2}$	[Kal07, BHK09]
<b>6. QUANTUMBOOST</b>	<b><math>\Theta\left(\frac{W}{\sqrt{\epsilon}\gamma^4}\right)</math></b>	$\frac{\log(1/\epsilon)}{\gamma^2}$	<b>THIS WORK</b>

## Future work

- ▶ Further applications in cryptography and optimization?
- ▶ Improve  $\gamma$ -dependency from  $1/\gamma^4$  to  $1/\gamma^2$ ?