

Simulating lattice gauge theories with hybrid qubit-qumode quantum computers

Open Quantum Systems: Dissipation and Decoherence from Subatomic to Cosmic Scales
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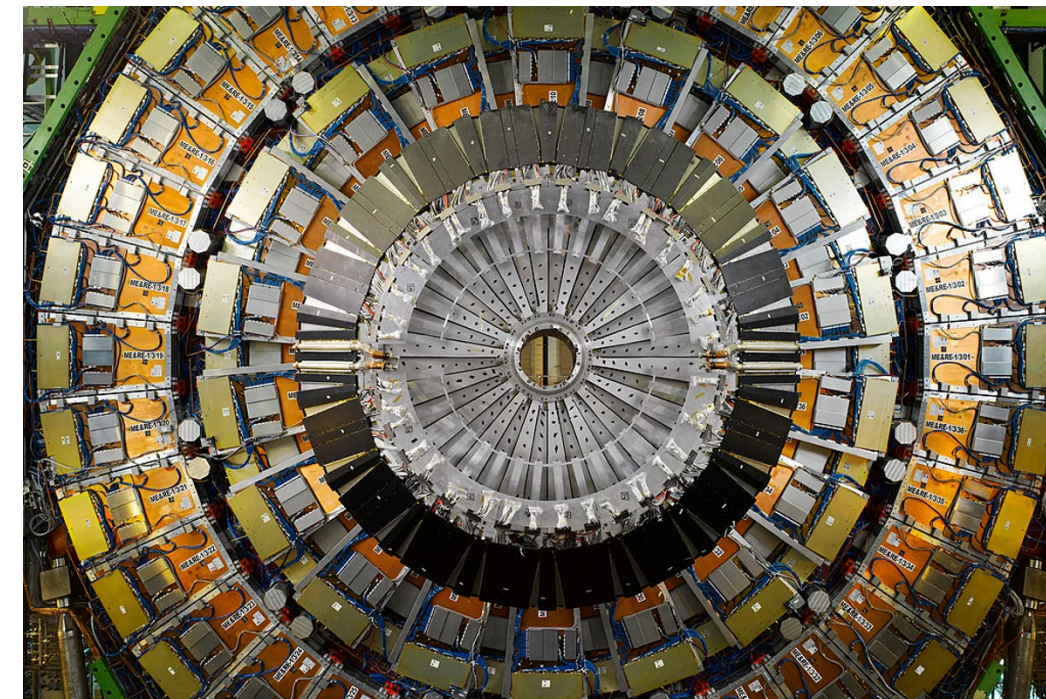
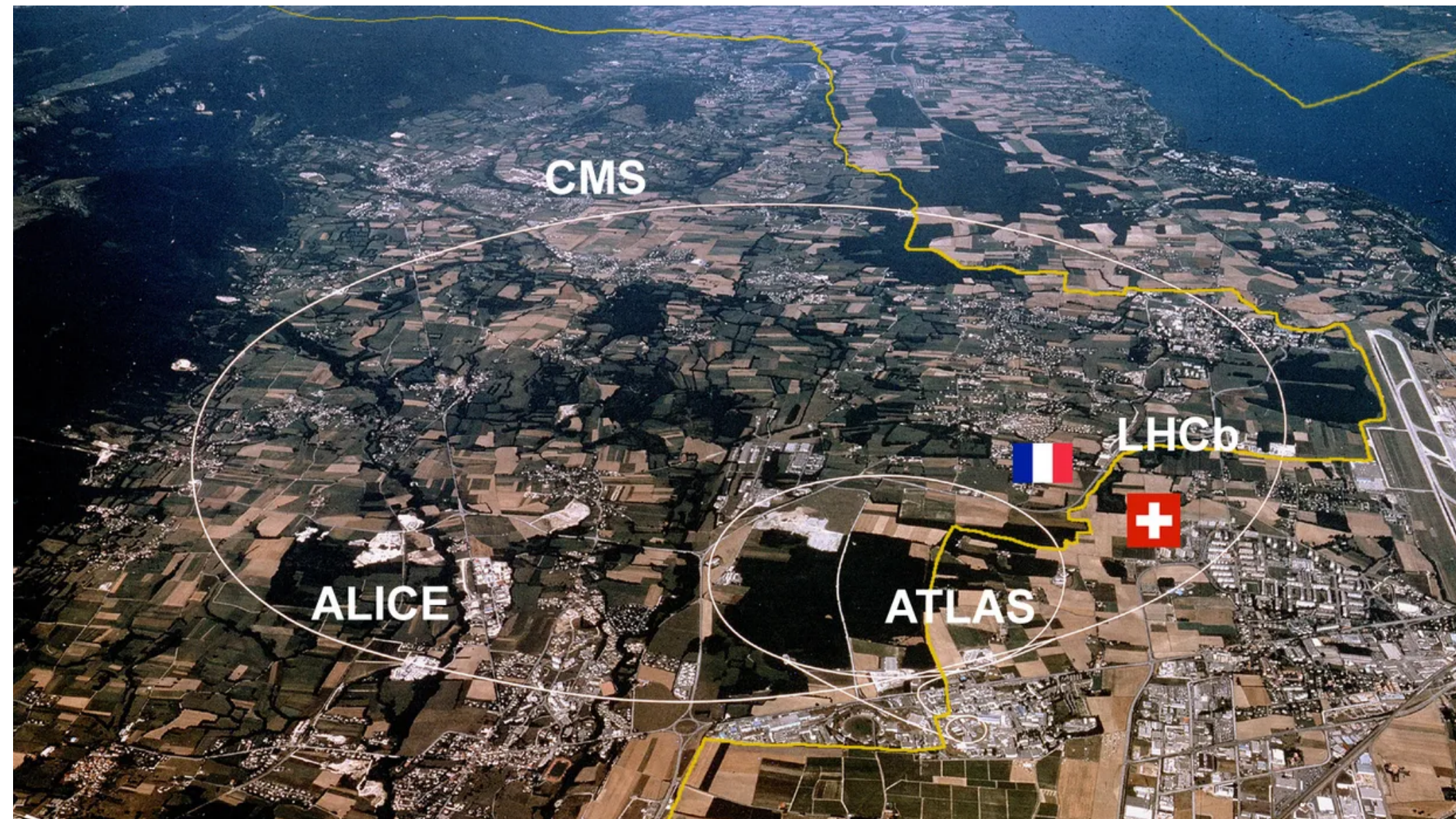
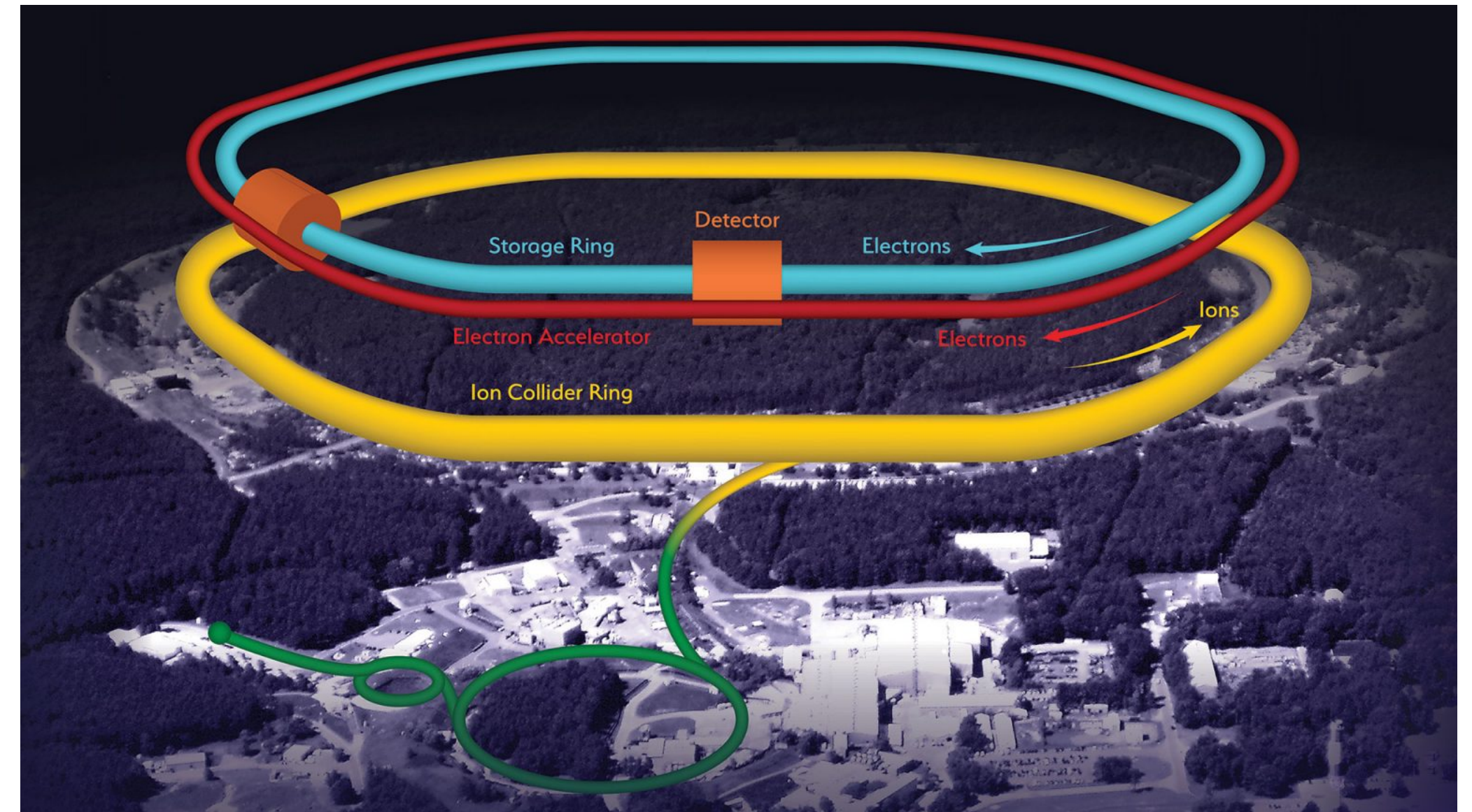
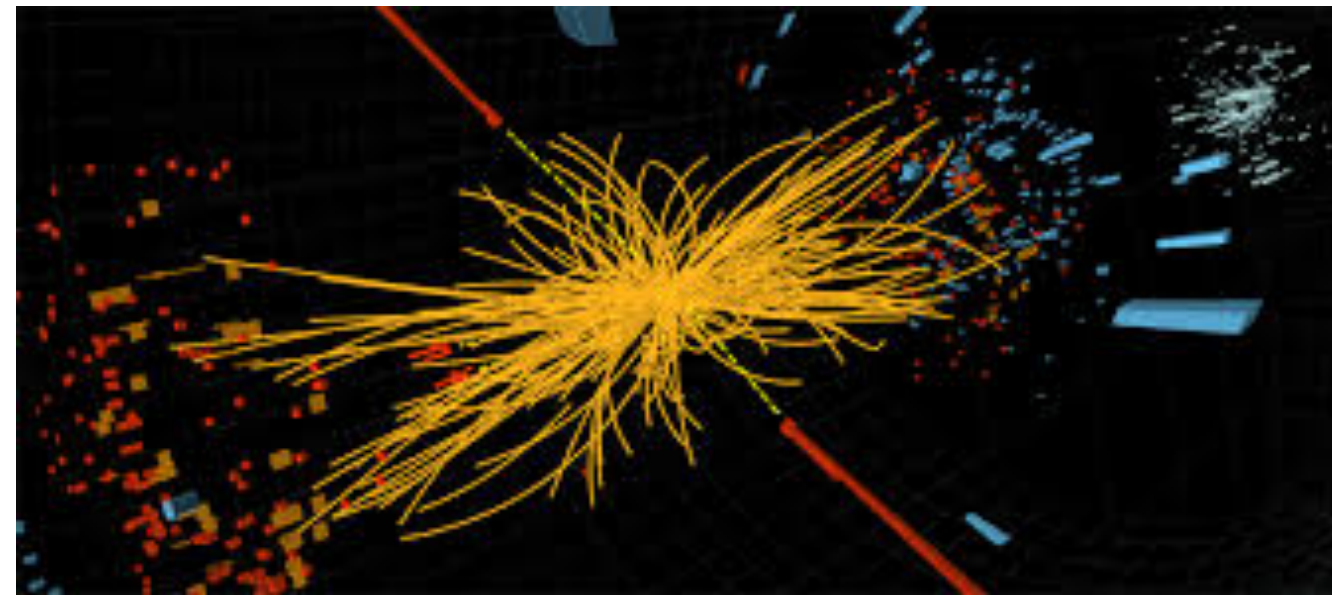


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The big picture

CERN

Large Hadron Collider

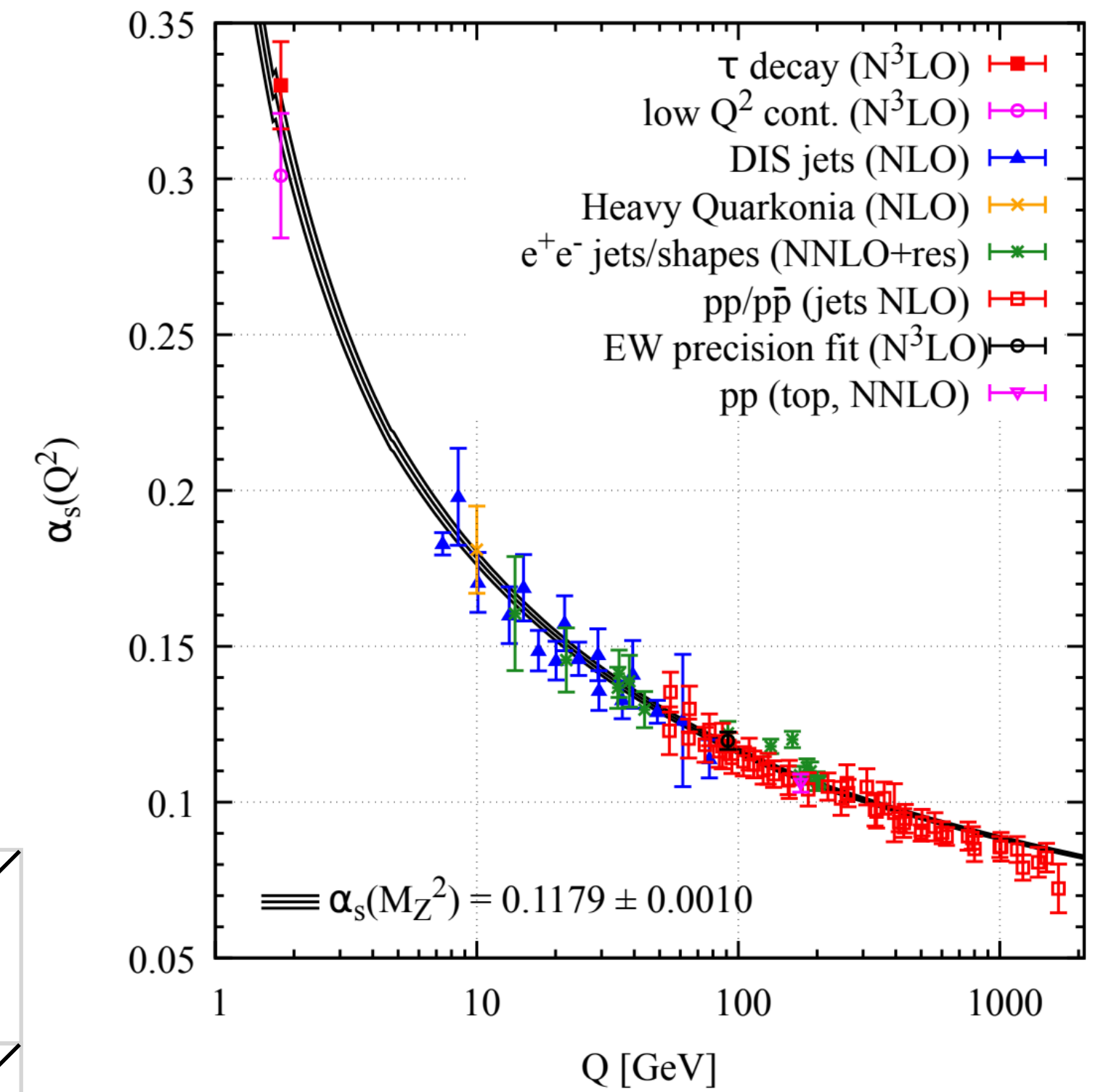
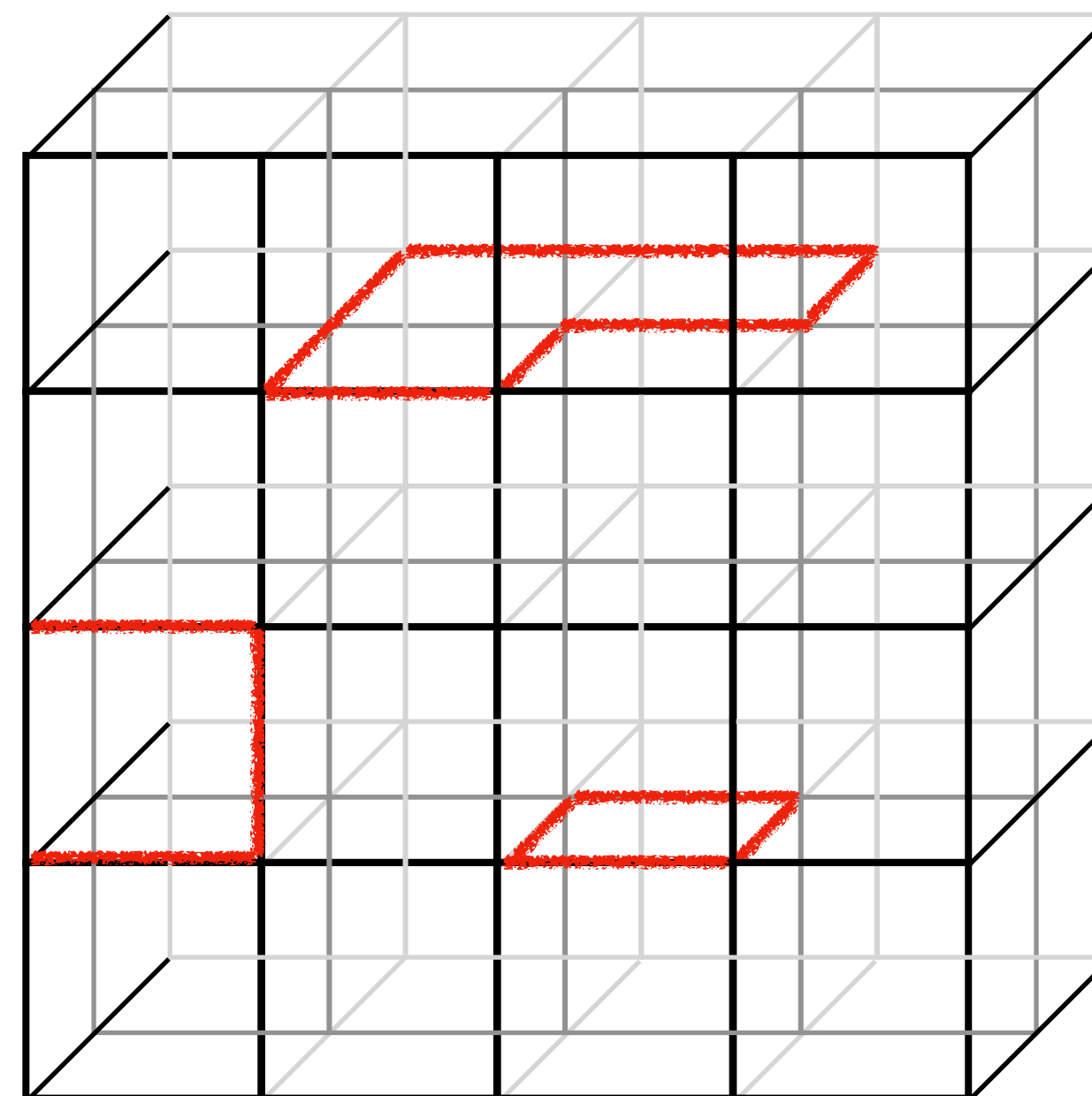
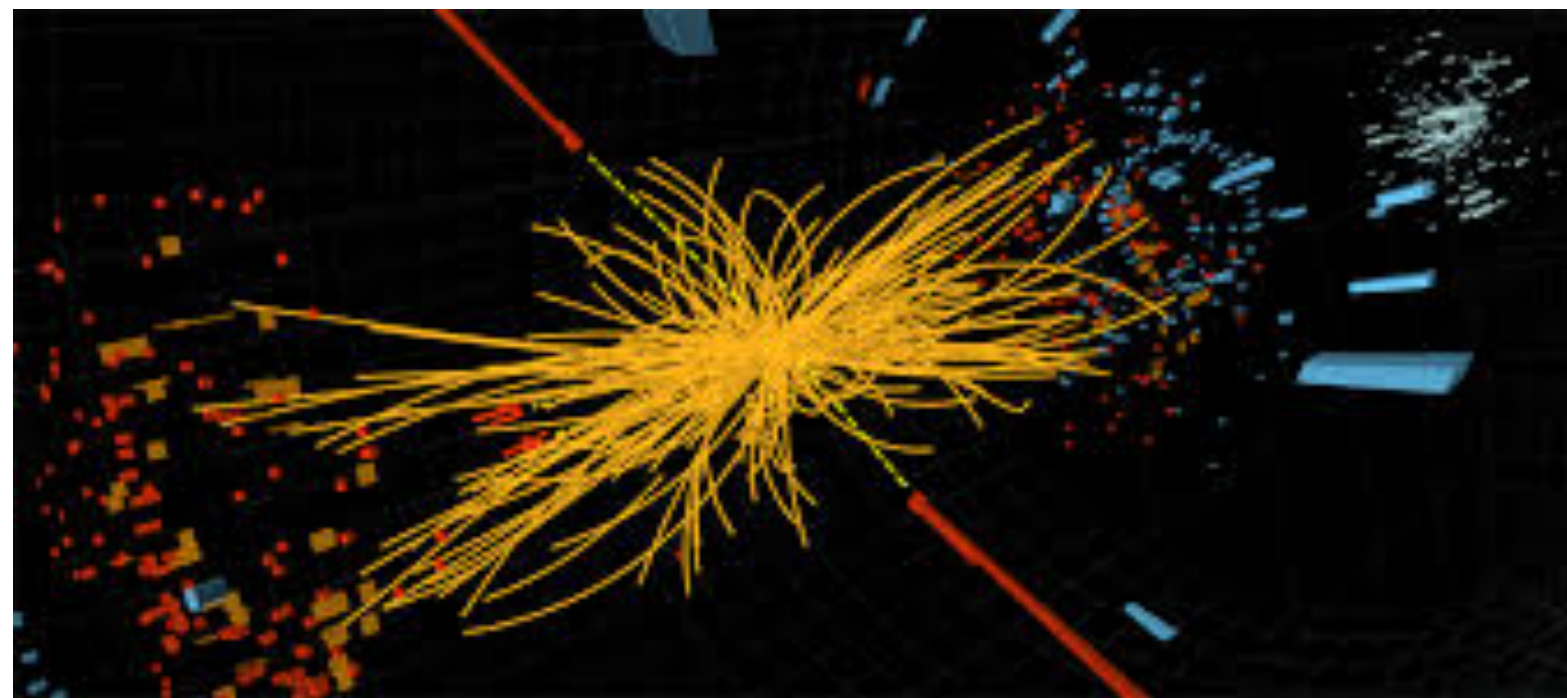


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Electron Ion Collider

Non-perturbative physics

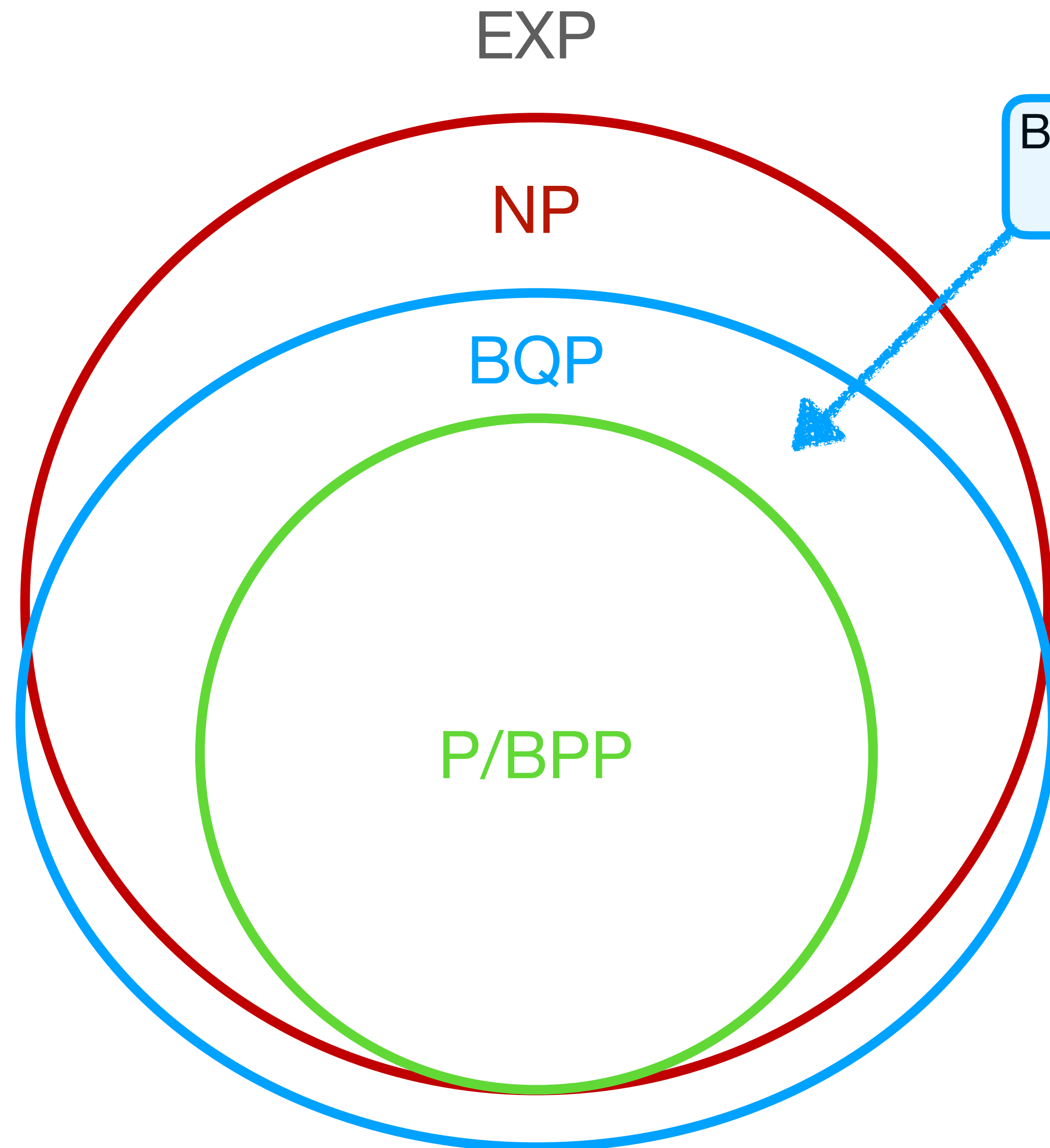
- Simulations of scattering experiments
- Nonperturbative physics and dynamics
- Lattice: Euclidean (path integral) and Hamiltonian

Wilson; Kogut, Susskind '70 s



PDG

How (computationally) difficult are QCD simulations?



BQP-completeness of scattering in scalar quantum field theory
Jordan, Krovi, Lee, Preskill '12-'17 (in 2+1 D)

What about QCD?

Verifiable in exponential time

Verifiable in polynomial time

Eg: Sudoku

Solvable quantumly in polynomial time

Eg: Shor's algorithm for factoring large numbers

Solvable in polynomial time

Eg: Multiplication of an $N \times N$ matrix is $(O)(N^3)$

Scattering process

Scalar field theory

Prepare wave packets

Time evolve

Measurement

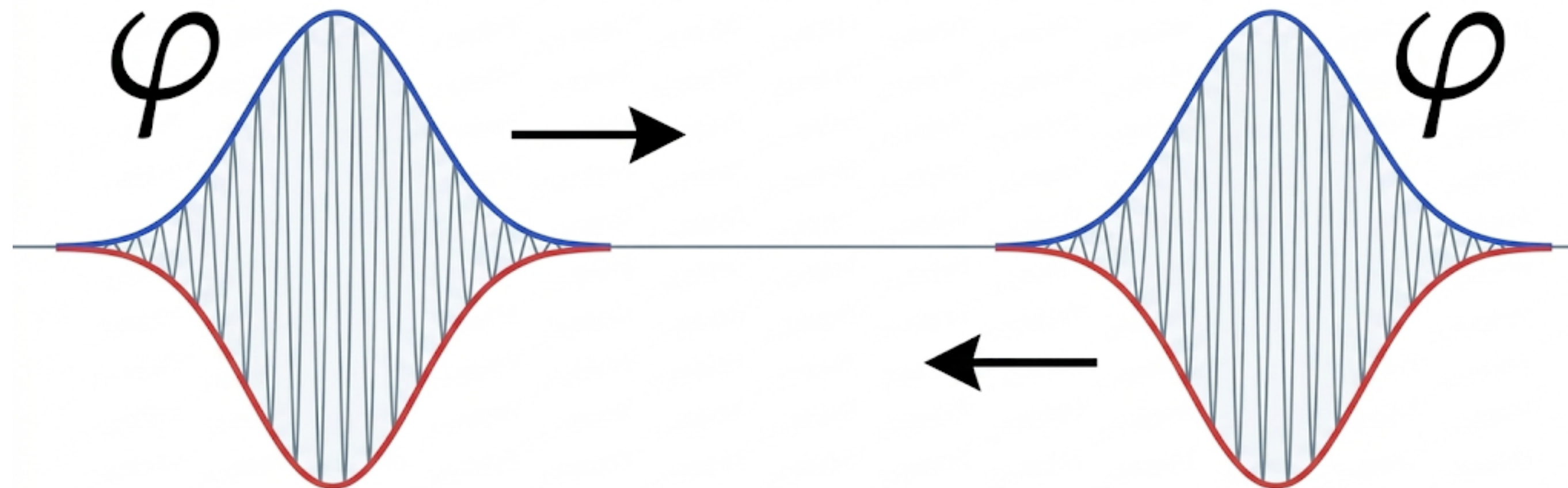
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(in 2+1 D)

Sample efficiently (BQP) from

$$|\langle X | U(t, t_0) | \varphi\varphi \rangle|^2$$

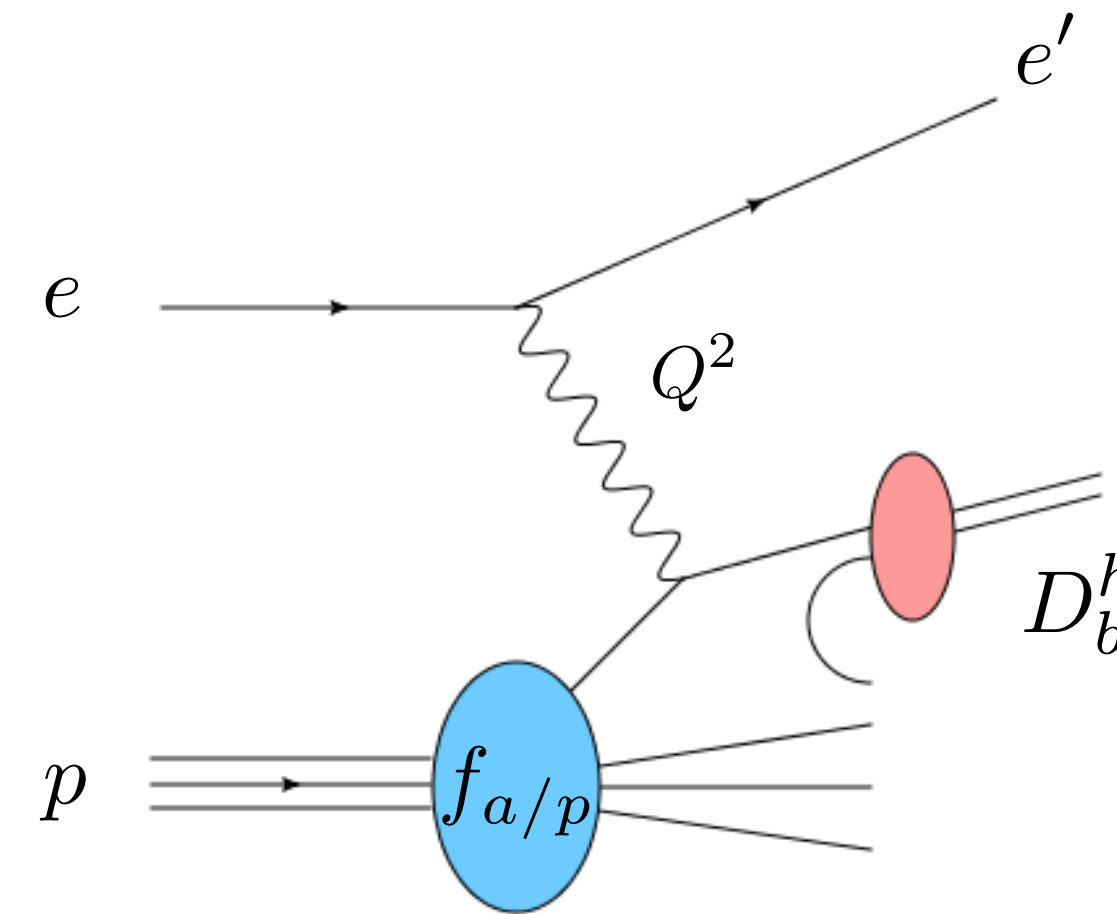


Factorization and hadronic structure

$$d\sigma^{ep \rightarrow h+X} = \sum_{ab} f_{a/p} \otimes H_{ab} \otimes D_b^h$$

Perturbative
Perturbative

Non-perturbative
Non-perturbative

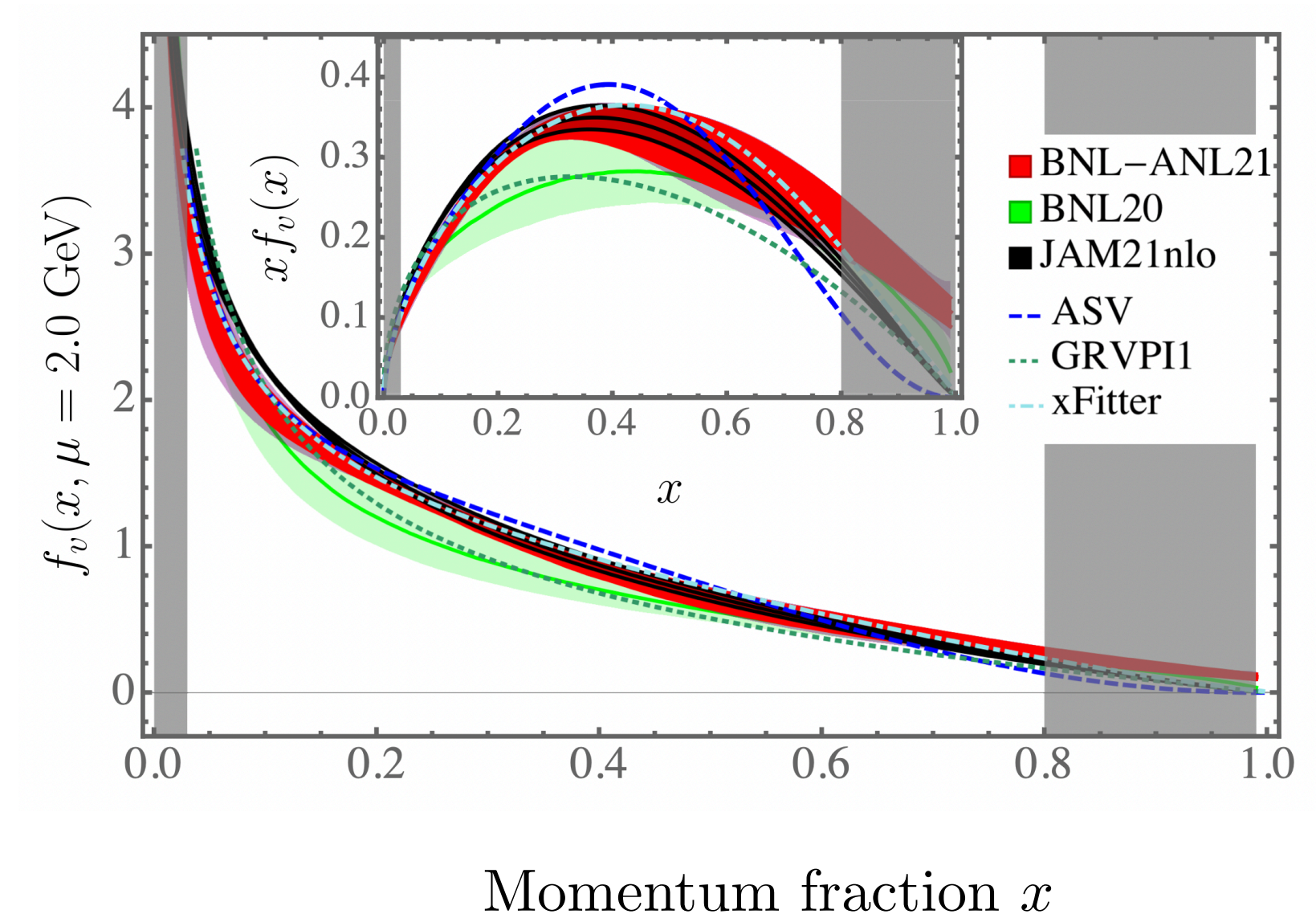


Collins, Soper, Sterman et al.

- Non-perturbative dynamics at low energies

$$\sim \text{F.T.} \langle p | \mathcal{O}(t, \vec{x}) \mathcal{O}(0) | p \rangle$$

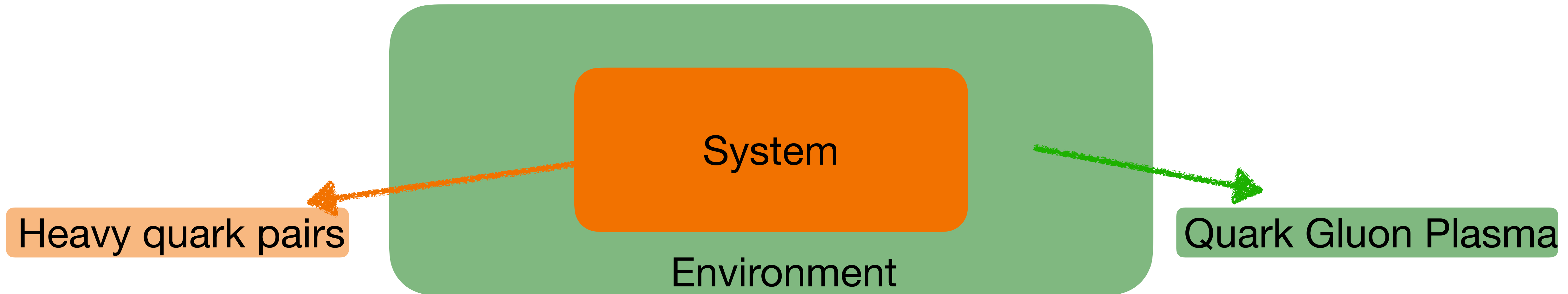
N-point lightcone correlation functions $t^2 - \vec{x}^2 = 0$



Zhao et al. '22

Open quantum systems

$$H_{total} = H_S \otimes I_E + I_S \otimes H_E + H_{int}$$



$$\rho(t=0) = \rho_S \otimes \rho_E$$

$$\text{Tr}_E [\rho(t=0)] = \rho_S$$

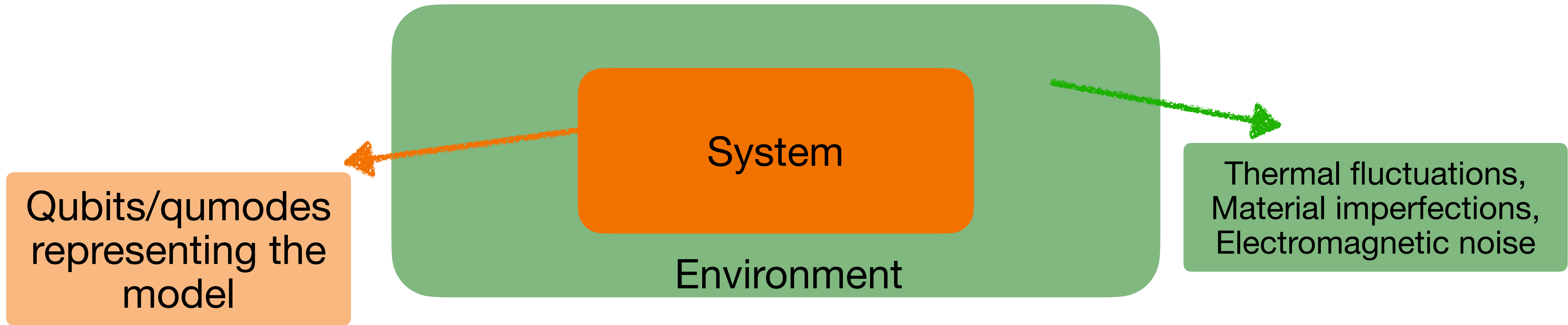
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Unitary
↓
Non-Unitary

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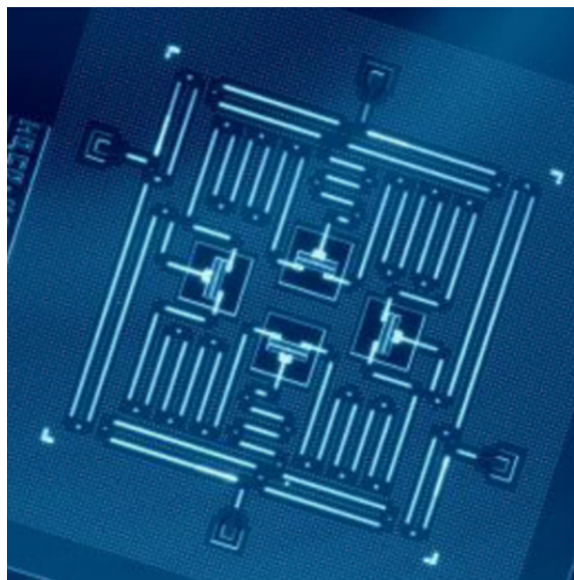
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See later for real hardware application 8

Technology and Research

Industry level effort (some examples)

Superconducting qubits



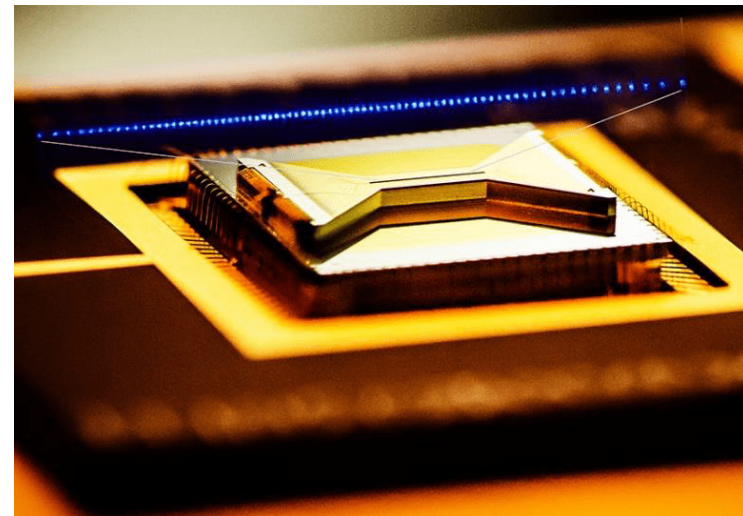
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Google AI Quantum

ALICE & BOB

Trapped ion qubits



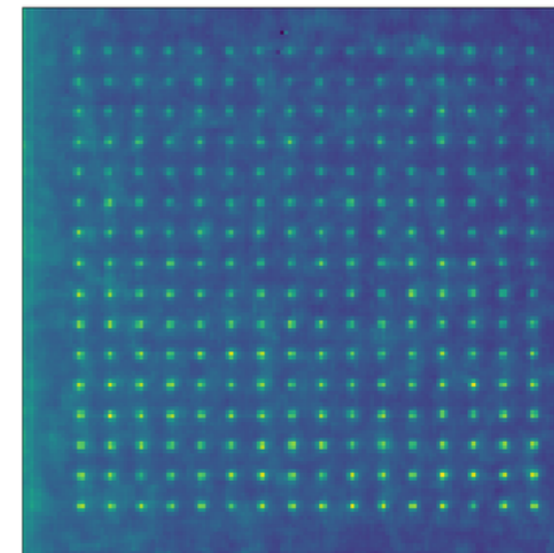
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Neutral atoms qubits



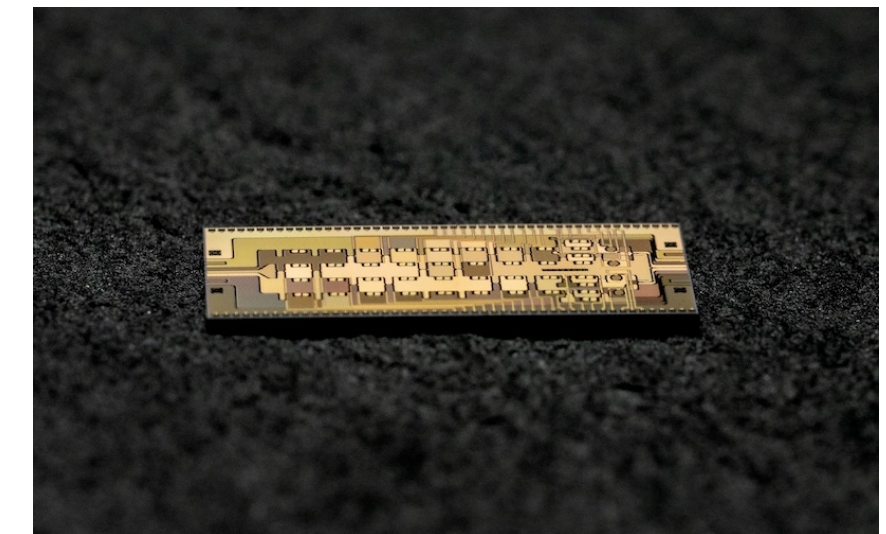
QuEra Computing Inc.

Infleqtion

atom computing

Pasqal

Photonics qubits



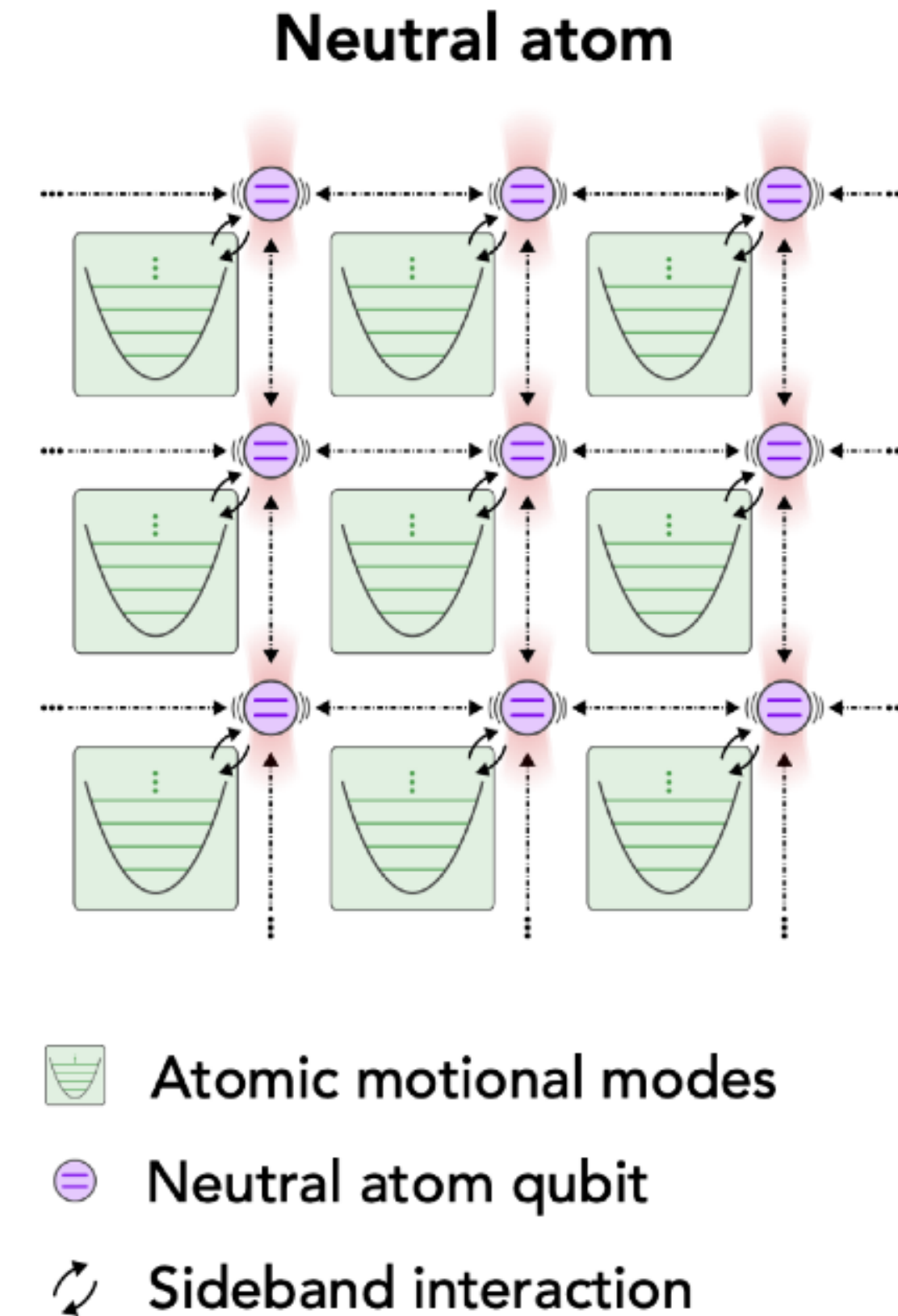
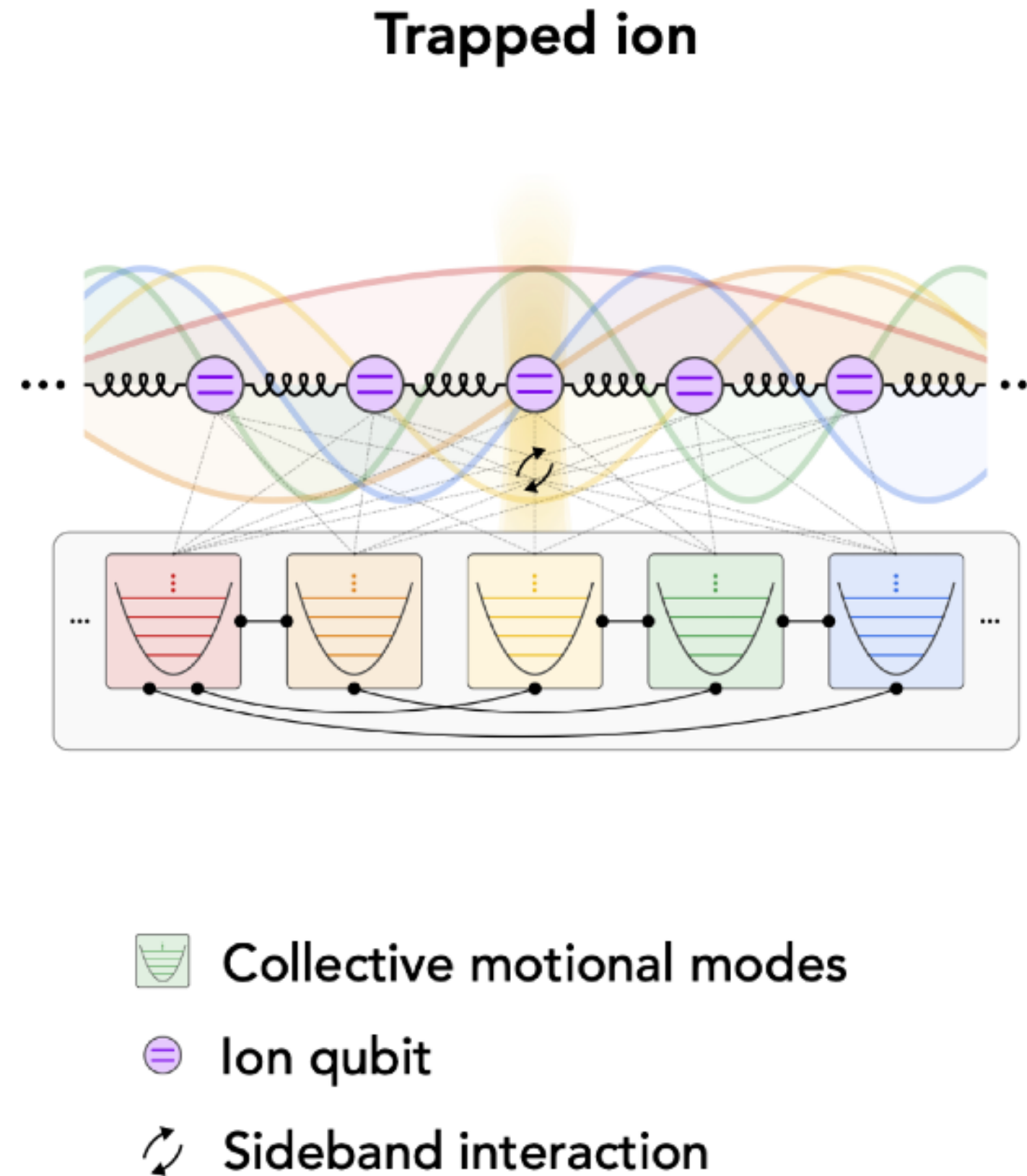
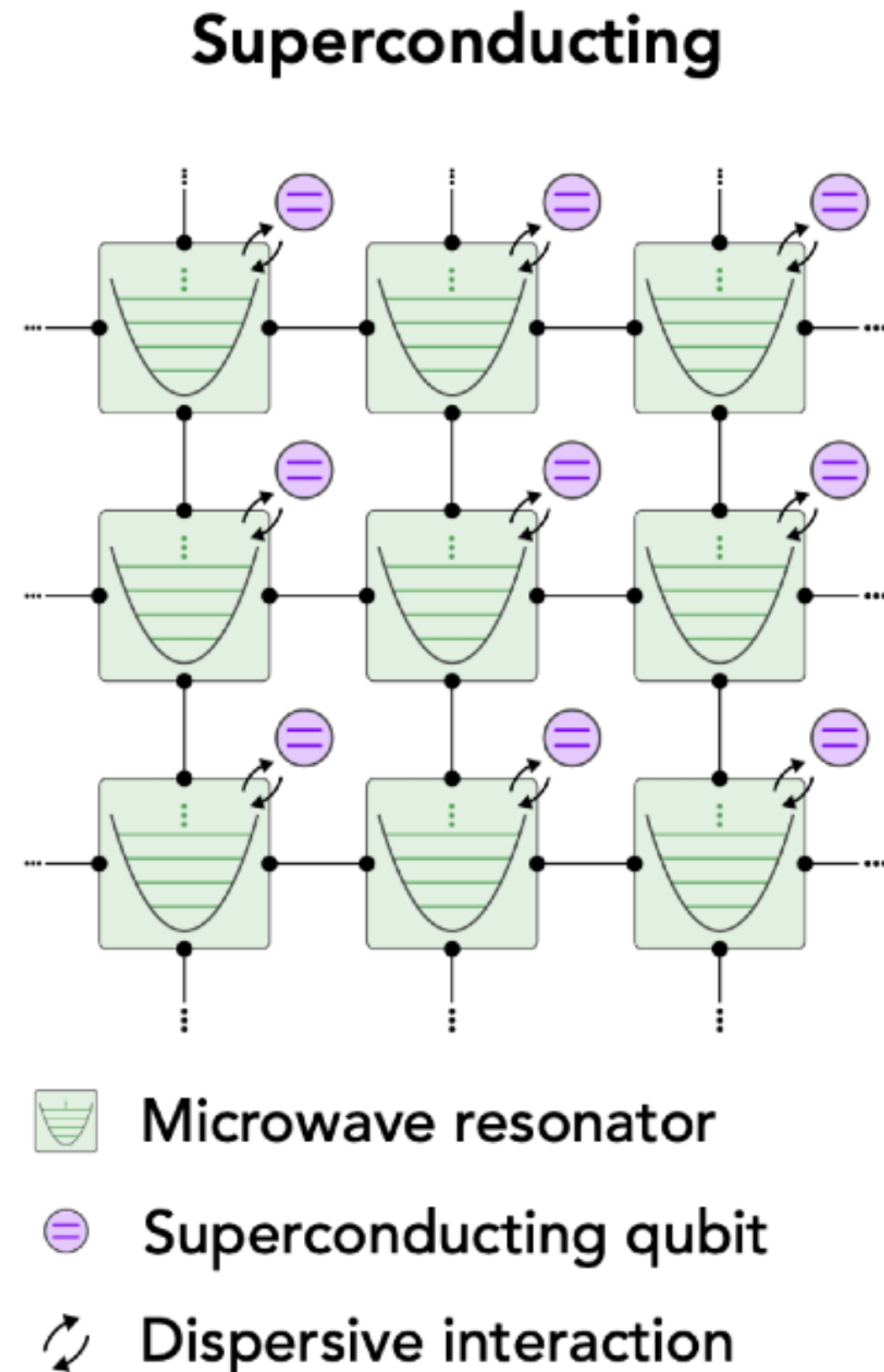
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New paradigm: Hybrid architectures

Girvin, Wiebe et al '24



Platform dependence: Native gates, Coherence time, Connectivity, ...

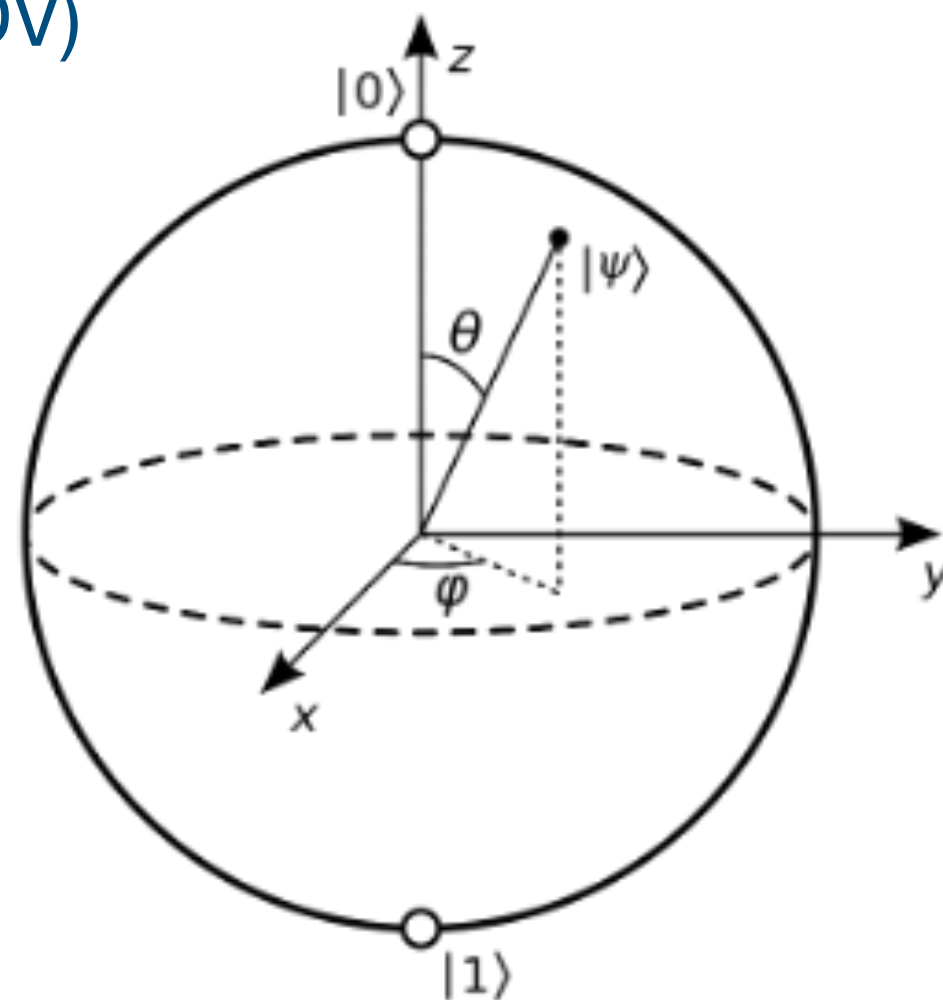
Quantum resources

The elementary units for quantum computing

Gate based digital quantum computing

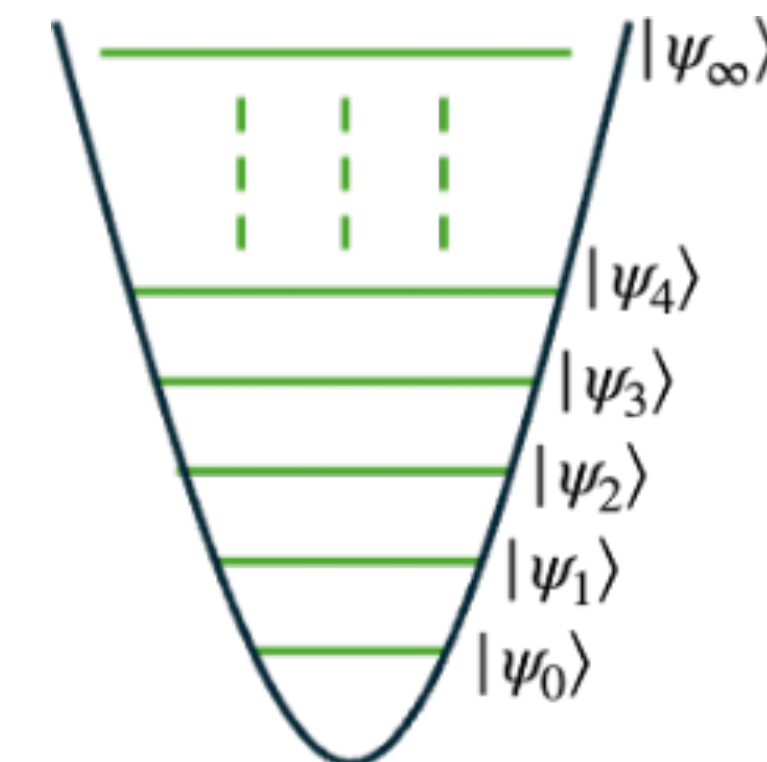
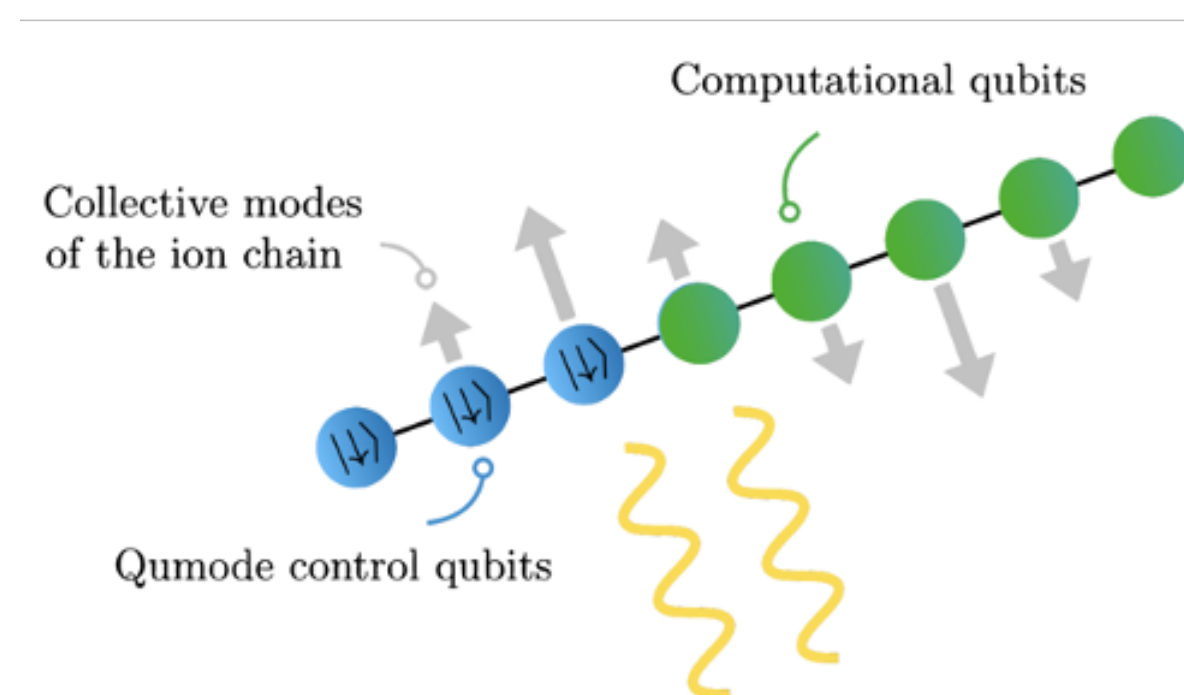
- Qubits (Qudits $2 \rightarrow d$)

- Realization with: superconducting circuits, cold atoms, trapped ions, topological qubits,...
- **Two-dimensional** Hilbert space per qubit
- Digital gate-based computing with **discrete variables** (DV)



- Qumodes ($d \rightarrow \infty$)

- Realization with: photonics, trapped ions, superconducting circuits,...
- **Infinite-dimensional** Hilbert space per qumode
- Gate based with **continuous variables** (CV)

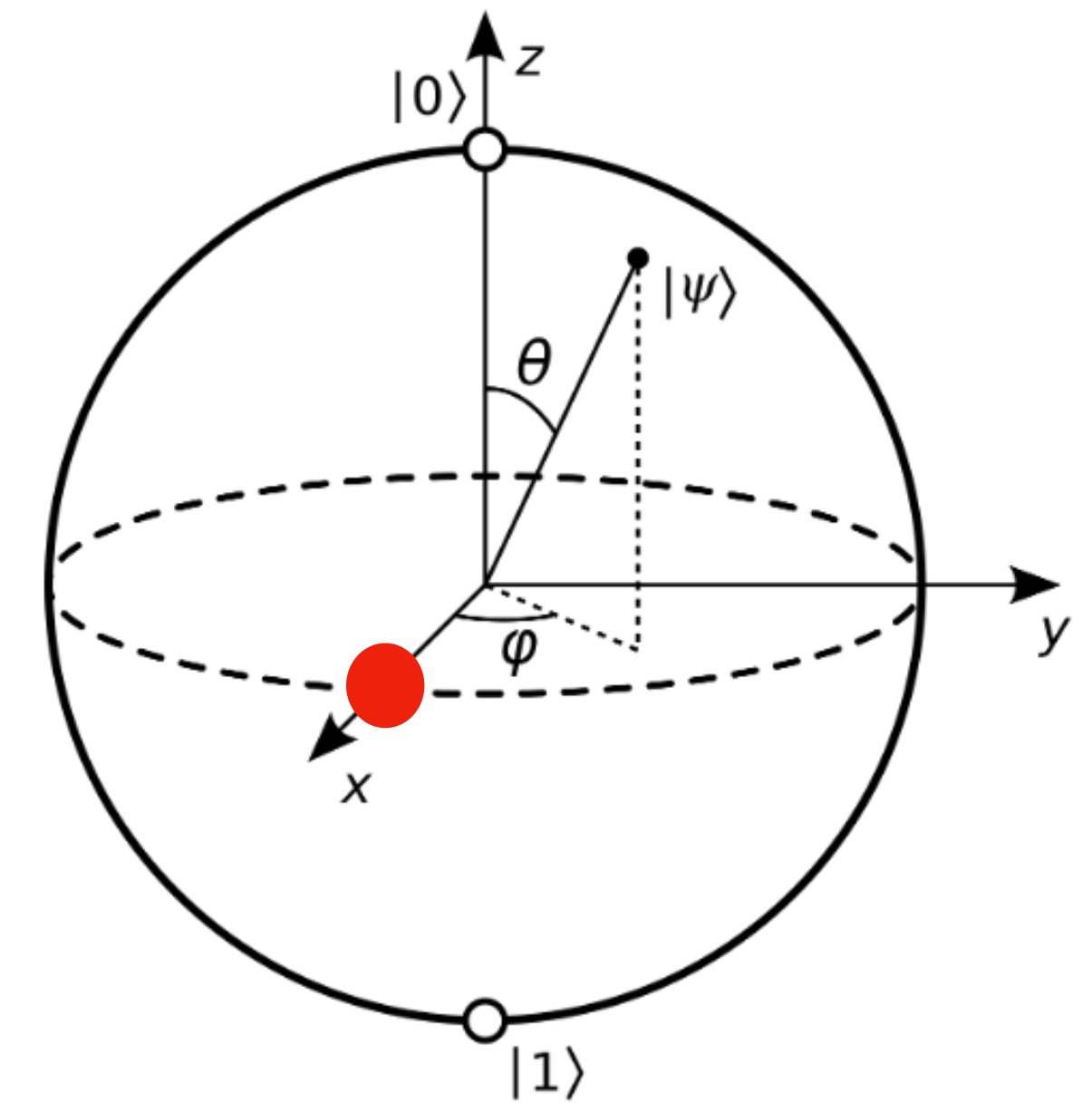


Araz, Grau, Montgomery, Ringer '24

Qubit states and operations

Gate type	Operation	Short	Operator
Qubit	Pauli operators		σ^i
	Rotation	$R_i(\theta)$	$e^{i\theta\sigma^i/2}$
	Controlled NOT	CNOT	$e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}(\mathbb{I}_1 - Z_1)(\mathbb{I}_2 - X_2)}$
Qumode	Rotation	$R(\theta)$	$e^{i\theta\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}$
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	Displacement	$D(z)$	$e^{z\hat{a}^\dagger - z^*\hat{a}}$
	Single-mode squeezing	$S(z)$	$e^{(z^*\hat{a}\hat{a} - z\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}^\dagger)/2}$
	Beam splitter	$BS(z)$	$e^{z\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{b} - z^*\hat{a}\hat{b}^\dagger}$
	Kerr	$K(z)$	$e^{iz(\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a})^2}$
	Controlled rotation	$CR(\theta)$	$e^{i\theta\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{b}}$
	Quadratic phase	$P(\theta)$	$e^{i\frac{\theta}{2}\hat{q}^2}$
	Cubic phase	$V(\theta)$	$e^{i\frac{\theta}{3}\hat{q}^3}$
Hybrid	Red sideband/Jaynes Cummings	$RSB(z)$	$e^{iz\hat{a}X^+ + iz^*\hat{a}^\dagger X^-}$
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	Controlled displacement	$CD(z)$	$e^{Z(z\hat{a}^\dagger - z^*\hat{a})}$
	Controlled squeezing	$CS(z)$	$e^{Z(z^*\hat{a}\hat{a} - z\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}^\dagger)/2}$
	Controlled beam splitter	$CBS(z)$	$e^{Z(z\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{b} - z^*\hat{a}\hat{b}^\dagger)}$

Gate = Unitary operation



Superposition

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

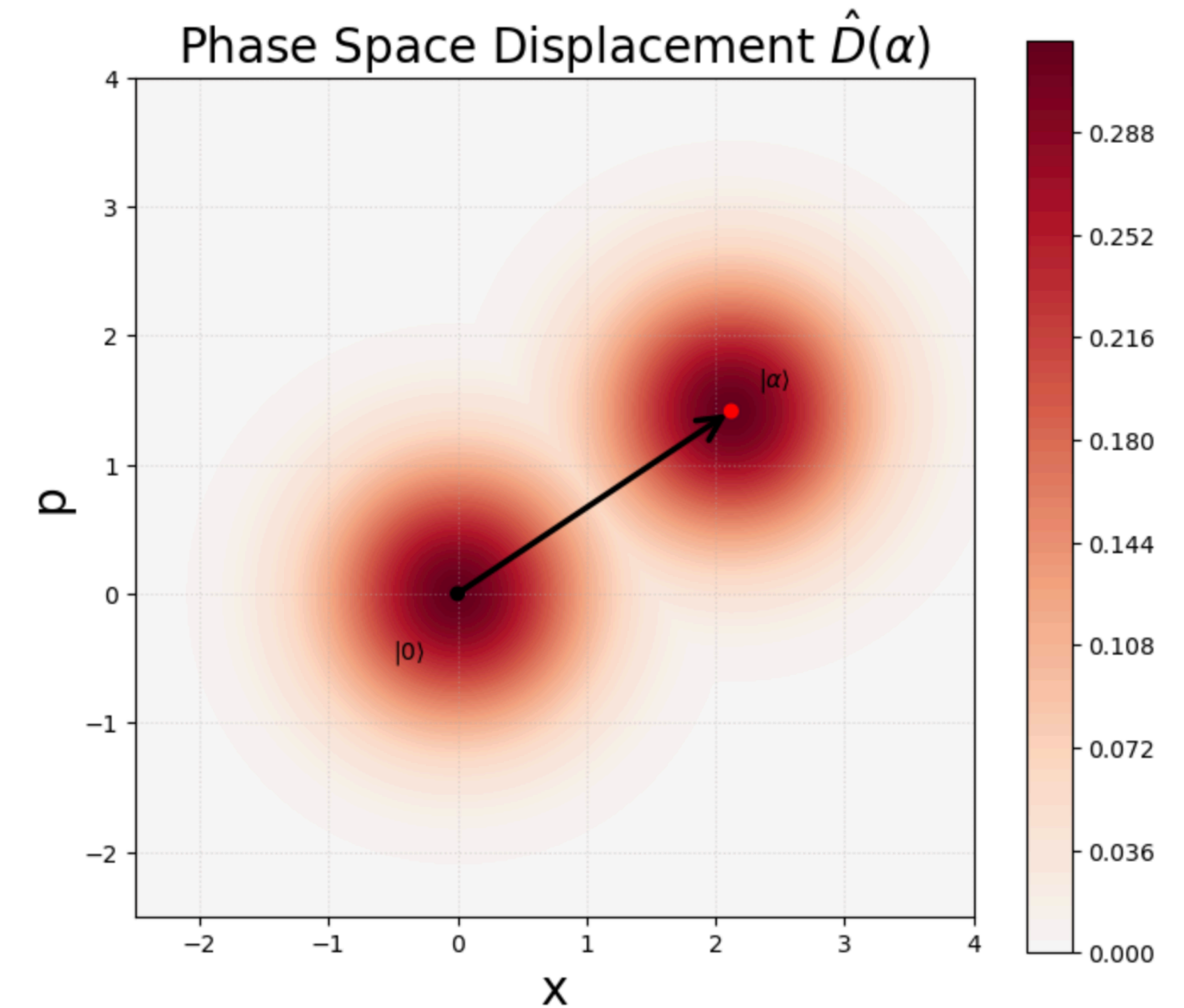
Entanglement

$$|\text{Bell}\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

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Wigner function



$$a, a^\dagger \iff \hat{q}, \hat{p}$$

Ladder operators

Quadratures

$$|n\rangle \propto (a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle$$

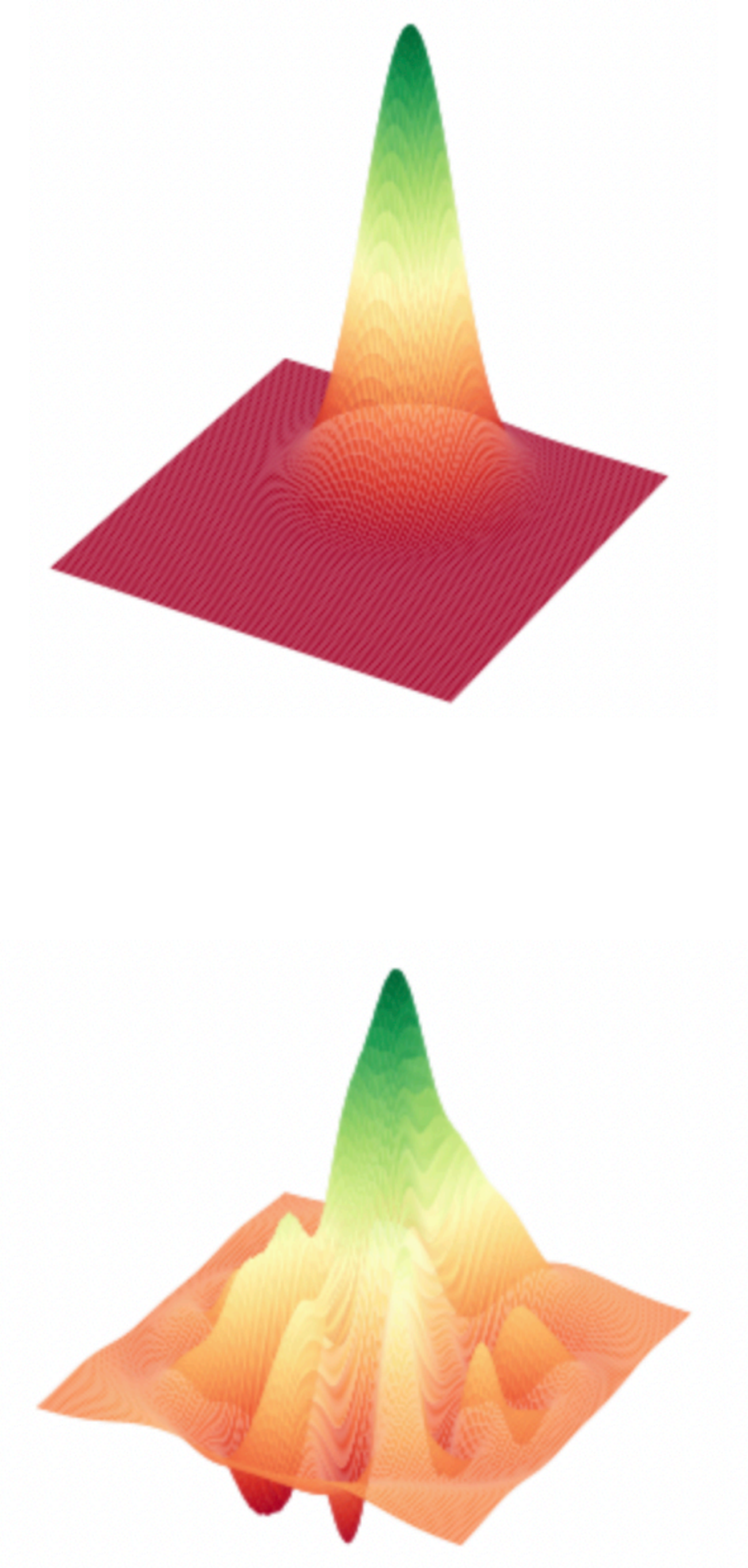
Universal gate set

- Displacement $D(z) = e^{z\hat{a}^\dagger - z^*\hat{a}}$

- Two-qumode beam splitter

$$U_{\text{bs}}(z) = e^{z\hat{a}\hat{b}^\dagger - z^*\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{b}} \quad z = \theta e^{i\phi}$$

- Non-Gaussian operations
e.g. Kerr gate or cubic gate

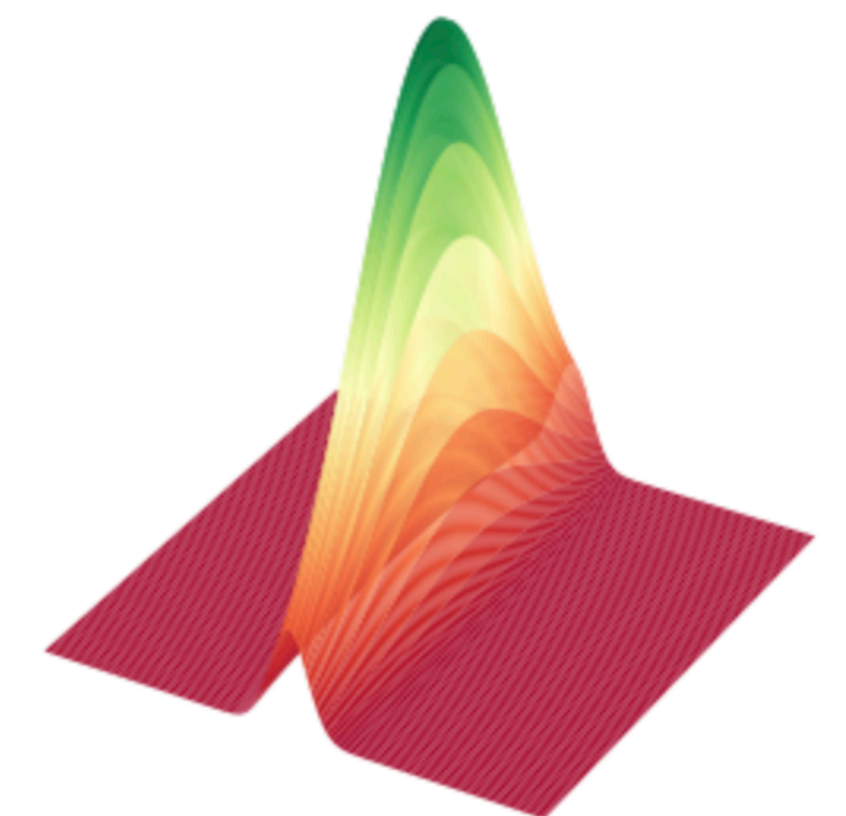


$$W(q, p)$$

see Lloyd, Braunstein '99

- Squeezing

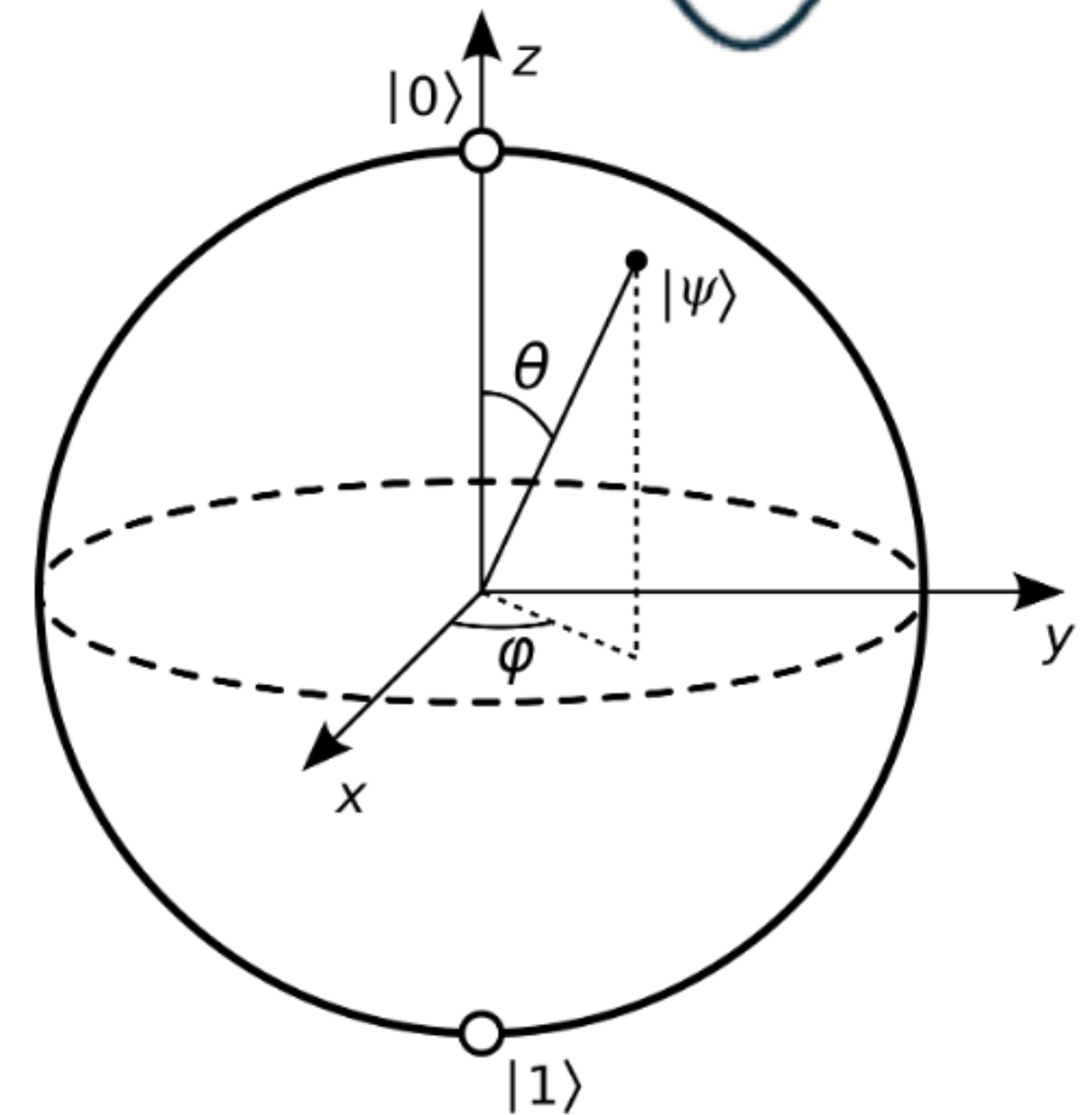
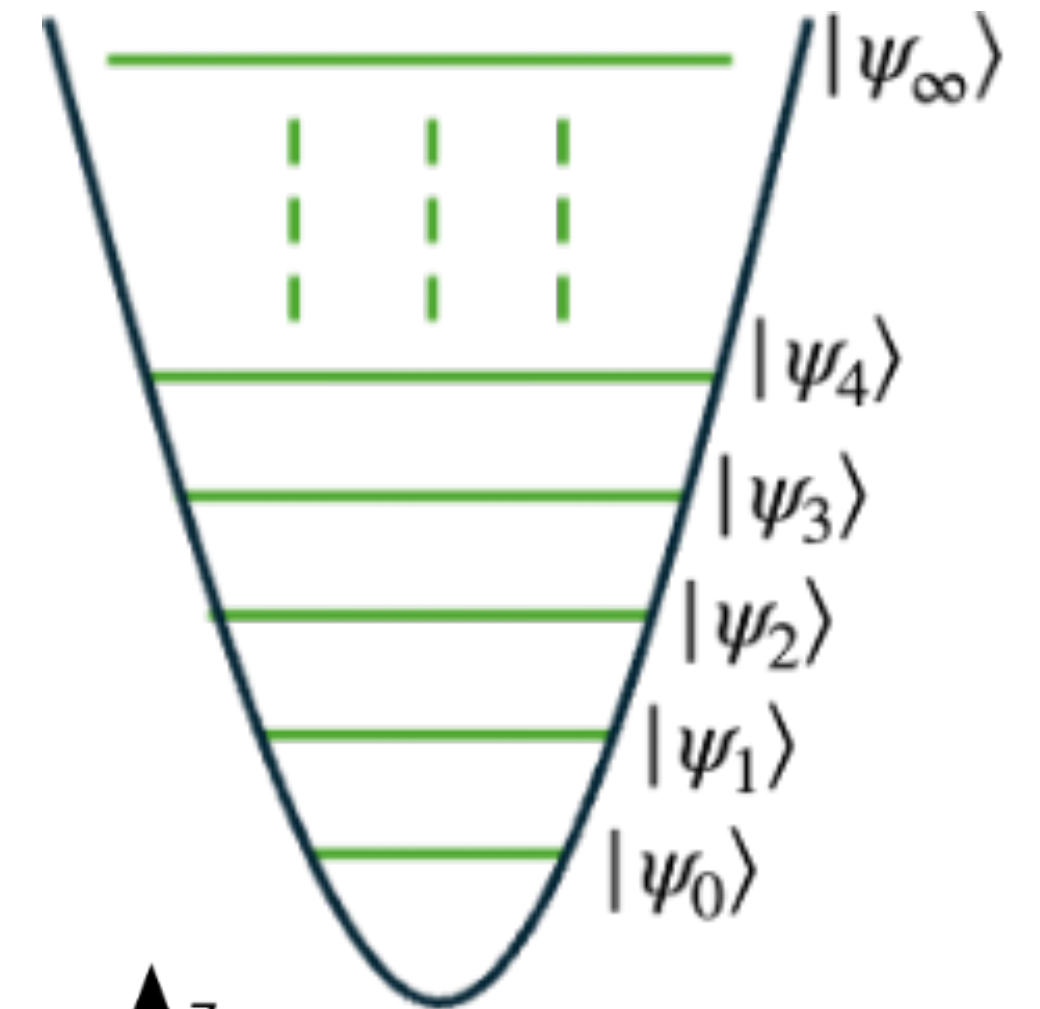
$$S(z) = e^{\frac{1}{2}(z^*\hat{a}^2 - z\hat{a}^{\dagger 2})}$$



Hybrid states and operations

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Lloyd and Braunstein '99



Qubit and qumode universality

There exists a minimal set of gates from which any other gate (unitary) can be built

Qubit only

Hybrid

Qumode only

$$\text{Universal} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Clifford} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} S = Z^{1/2} \\ H \\ \text{CNOT} \end{array} \right. \\ \text{Magic} \left\{ T = e^{-i\frac{\pi}{8}Z} \right. \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{Universal} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{CD}(\alpha) = e^{Z \otimes (\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} \\ R_{\sigma_\phi}(\theta) \text{ (qubit rot.)} \\ \text{BS}(\theta, \phi) \end{array} \right.$$

NEW $e^{-i\theta \cos(P(\hat{x}, \hat{p}))} \otimes \sigma_j$

$$\text{Universal} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Gaussian} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D(\alpha) \\ R(\theta) \\ S(\zeta) \\ \text{BS}(\theta, \phi) \end{array} \right. \\ \text{Non - Gaussian} \left\{ V = e^{-i\theta \hat{q}^3} \right. \end{array} \right.$$

Pauli string σ_i

Barenco et al, Gottesman, Knill

$\sigma_i \otimes P(\hat{x}, \hat{p})$

Girvin, Wiebe et al. '24

Non-polynomial
(trigonometric) gates

RT, Rico, Ringer et al. '25

Polynomial $P(\hat{x}, \hat{p})$

Lloyd, Braunstein '97

Mapping physical models to quantum resources

Algebra representation with quantum resources

Bosonic CCR * plus gauge group algebra

$$\left[\hat{\pi}_n, \hat{\phi}_{n'} \right] = -i\delta_{nn'}$$

There is no finite dimensional faithful representation of the Weyl/CCR algebra

Fermionic CAR

$$\left\{ \psi_n, \psi_{n'}^\dagger \right\} = \delta_{nn'}$$

There exists finite dimensional faithful representations of the CAR algebra

QCD with hybrid platforms

Simulate quarks and gluons with different quantum resources

QCD Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} (i\partial^\mu \gamma_\mu - m) \psi + g_s \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu T_a \psi A_\mu^a - \frac{1}{4} F_a^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^a$

Qubits

Qubit-qumode interaction

Qumodes

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{qumode}}^m \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\text{qubit}}^n$$

Hybrid **qubit**/qumode approach

QED in 2+1 dimensions

Staggered QED in 2+1 dimensions

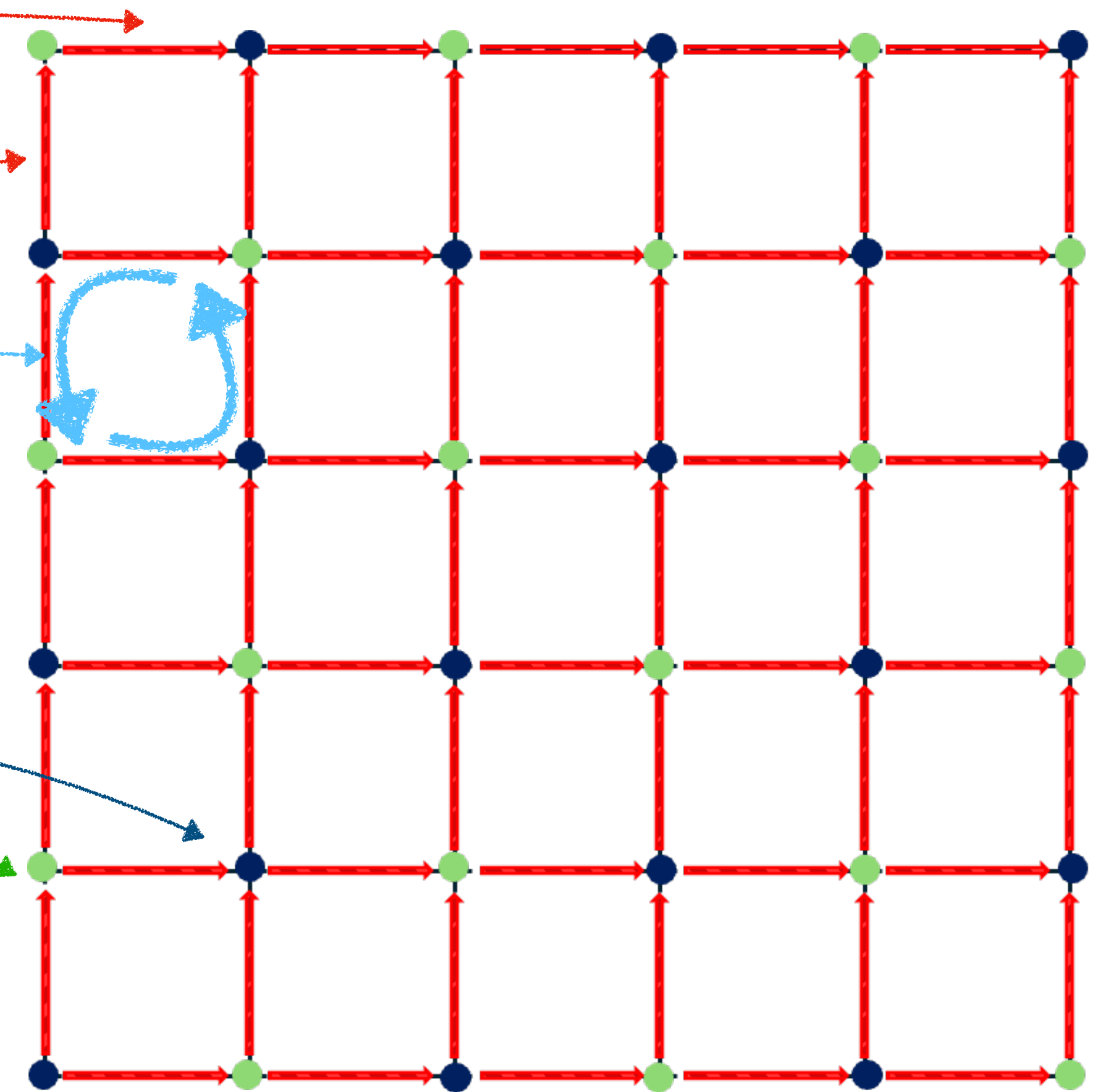
Hamiltonian for a general lattice

$$H_E = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_n \left(E_{n,e_x}^2 + E_{n,e_y}^2 \right)$$

$$H_B = -\frac{1}{2g^2 a^2} \sum_n \left(P_n + P_n^\dagger - 2 \right)$$

$$H_M = m_0 \sum_n \left(- \right)^{n_x+n_y} \Psi_n^\dagger \Psi_n$$

$$H_K = \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \left[i \Psi_n^\dagger U_{n,e_x}^\dagger \Psi_{n+e_x} - \left(- \right)^{n_x+n_y} \Psi_n^\dagger U_{n,e_y}^\dagger \Psi_{n+e_y} \right] + \text{h.c.}$$



$$P_n \equiv U_{n,x} U_{n+e_x,y} U_{n+e_y,x}^\dagger U_{n,y}^\dagger$$

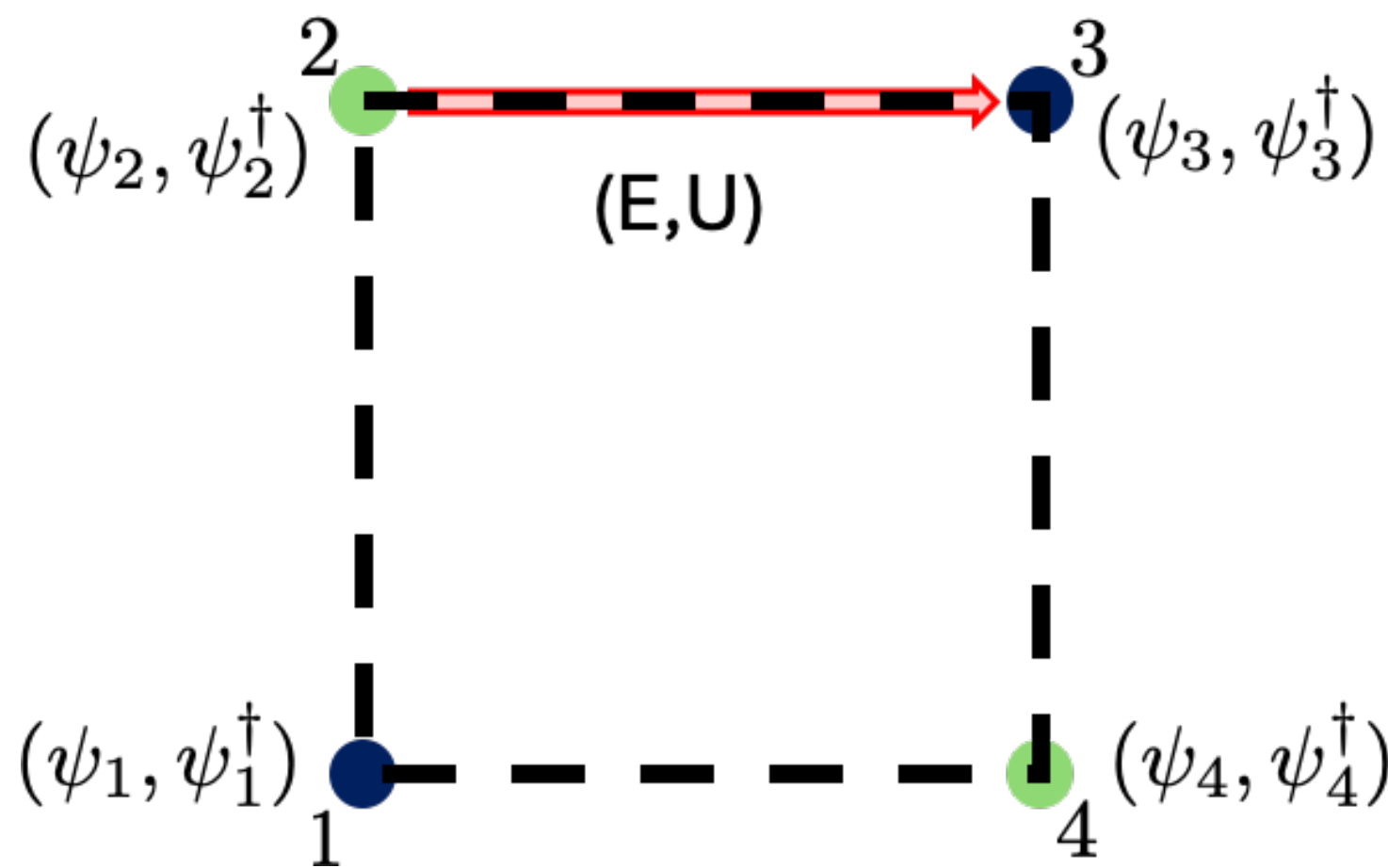
One plaquette world

$$H_E = \frac{g^2}{2} \left[E^2 + (E - Q_2)^2 + (E + Q_3)^2 + (E - Q_1 - Q_2)^2 \right]$$

$$H_B = -\frac{1}{2g^2} (U + U^\dagger - 2)$$

$$H_M = m_0 \sum_{i=1}^4 (-1)^{1+i} \Psi_i^\dagger \Psi_i$$

$$H_K = \frac{i}{2} \left(\Psi_1^\dagger \Psi_4 + \Psi_2^\dagger U^\dagger \Psi_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\Psi_1^\dagger \Psi_2 - \Psi_4^\dagger \Psi_3 \right) + \text{h.c.}$$



$$U_n = e^{i\hat{\chi}_n} \in U(1)$$

$$[\hat{E}_n, \hat{\chi}_{n'}] = -i\delta_{nn'}$$

$$[\hat{E}_n, U_{n'}] = U_n \delta_{nn'}$$

$$\{\psi_n, \psi_{n'}^\dagger\} = \delta_{nn'}$$

Mapping non-compact bosons to Qumodes

One-to-one map for scalar theories

$$\left[\hat{\pi}_n, \hat{\phi}_{n'} \right] = -i\delta_{nn'}$$



It is an isospectral representation

$$\left[\hat{p}_n, \hat{x}_{n'} \right] = -i\delta_{nn'}$$

$$\text{Spec}(\hat{x}) = \mathbb{R}, \text{Spec}(\hat{p}) = \mathbb{R}$$

Quantum electrodynamics in 2+1 D

$$\text{Spec}(\hat{\chi}) = S^1, \text{Spec}(\hat{E}) = \mathbb{Z}$$

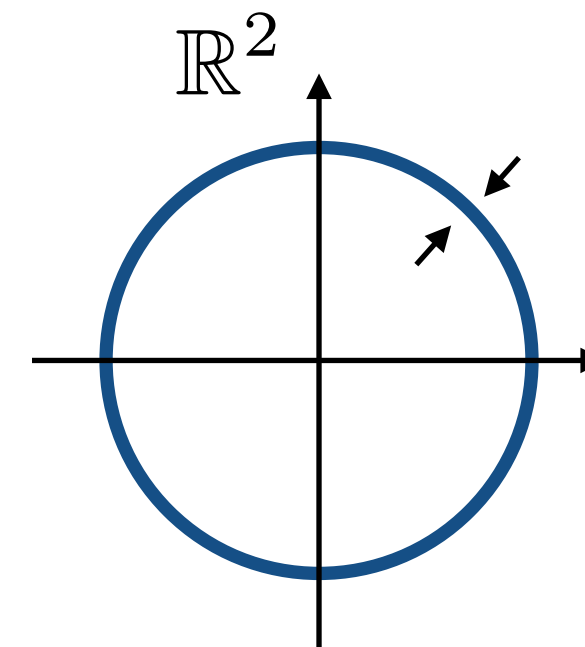
Compact gauge bosons

Solution: two-modes per link variable

$$U \mapsto \hat{q}^0 + i\hat{q}^1$$

With the operator constraint

$$E \mapsto J \equiv \hat{q}^0 \hat{p}^1 - \hat{q}^1 \hat{p}^0$$



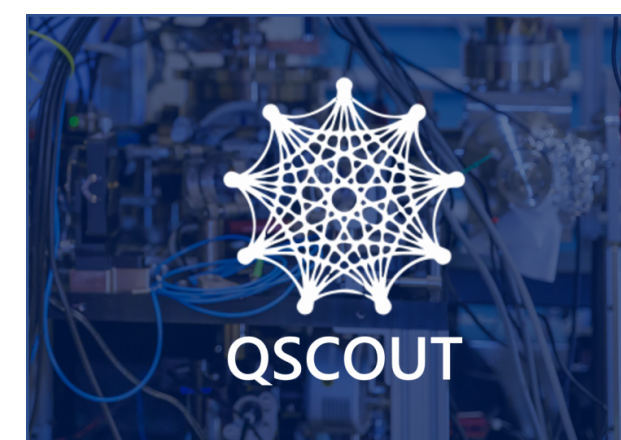
$$(\hat{q}^0)^2 + (\hat{q}^1)^2 = \mathbb{1}$$

No discretization of the gauge group

Alternatively, use non-polynomial (trigonometric) gates

No discretization of the algebra

Direct extension to SU(2) done



RT, Rico, Ringer et al '25

Experimental realization in preparation

Enforcing the constraint

$$\left[H, (\hat{q}_n^0)^2 + (\hat{q}_n^1)^2 \right] = 0 \quad \forall n$$

Hamiltonian penalty term

$$H \mapsto H + H_\mu$$

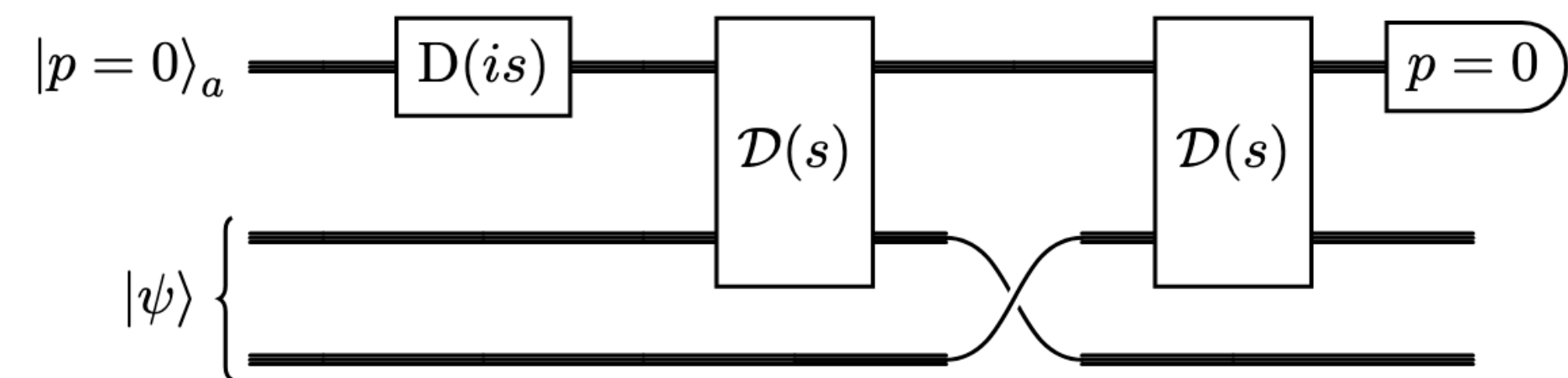
$$H_\mu = \frac{\mu}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}, i} (\mathbf{q}_{\mathbf{n}, i}^2 - 1)^2$$

Disfavors non-physical configurations

Enlarged phase space but
Gauge invariance is preserved
Physical sector is protected

Inner product modification

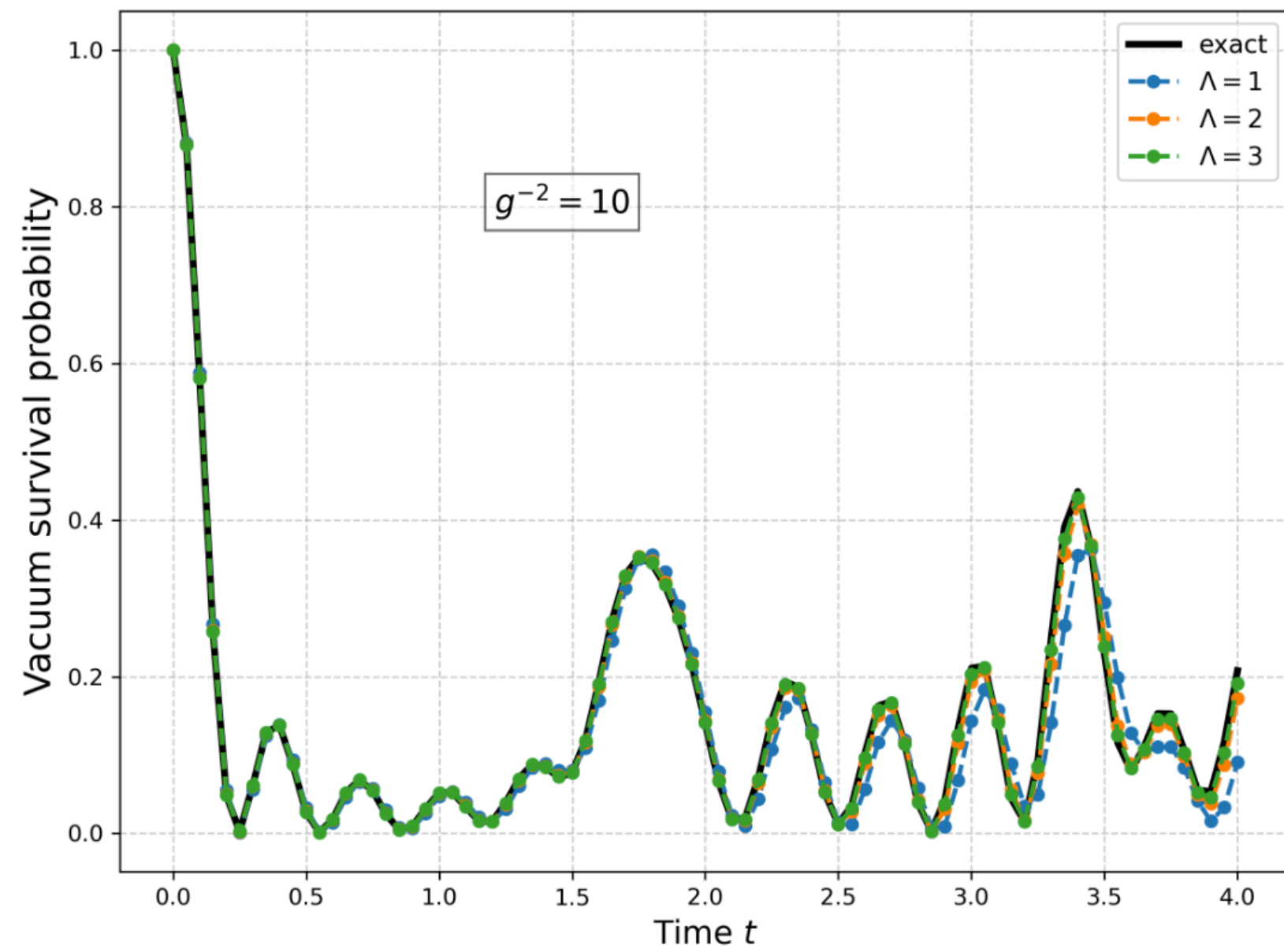
$$|\psi\rangle \mapsto |\psi(\Lambda)\rangle \propto \int d^2q e^{-\frac{\Lambda^2}{g^2}(\mathbf{q}^2 - 1)^2} \psi(\mathbf{q}) |\mathbf{q}\rangle$$



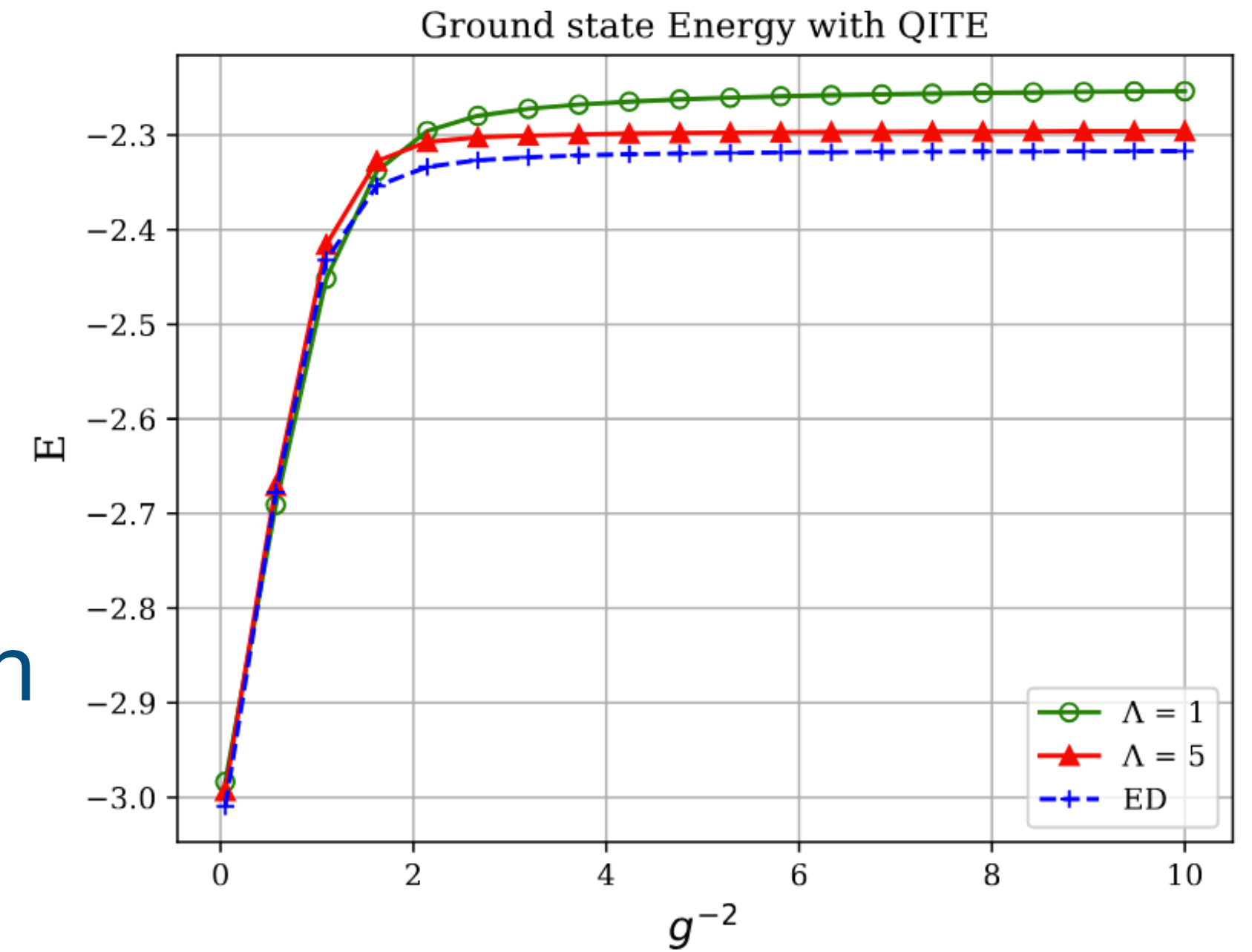
$$\mathcal{D}_\mu(s) = e^{-isq_\mu^2 q_a}$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{g}{2} s e^r$$

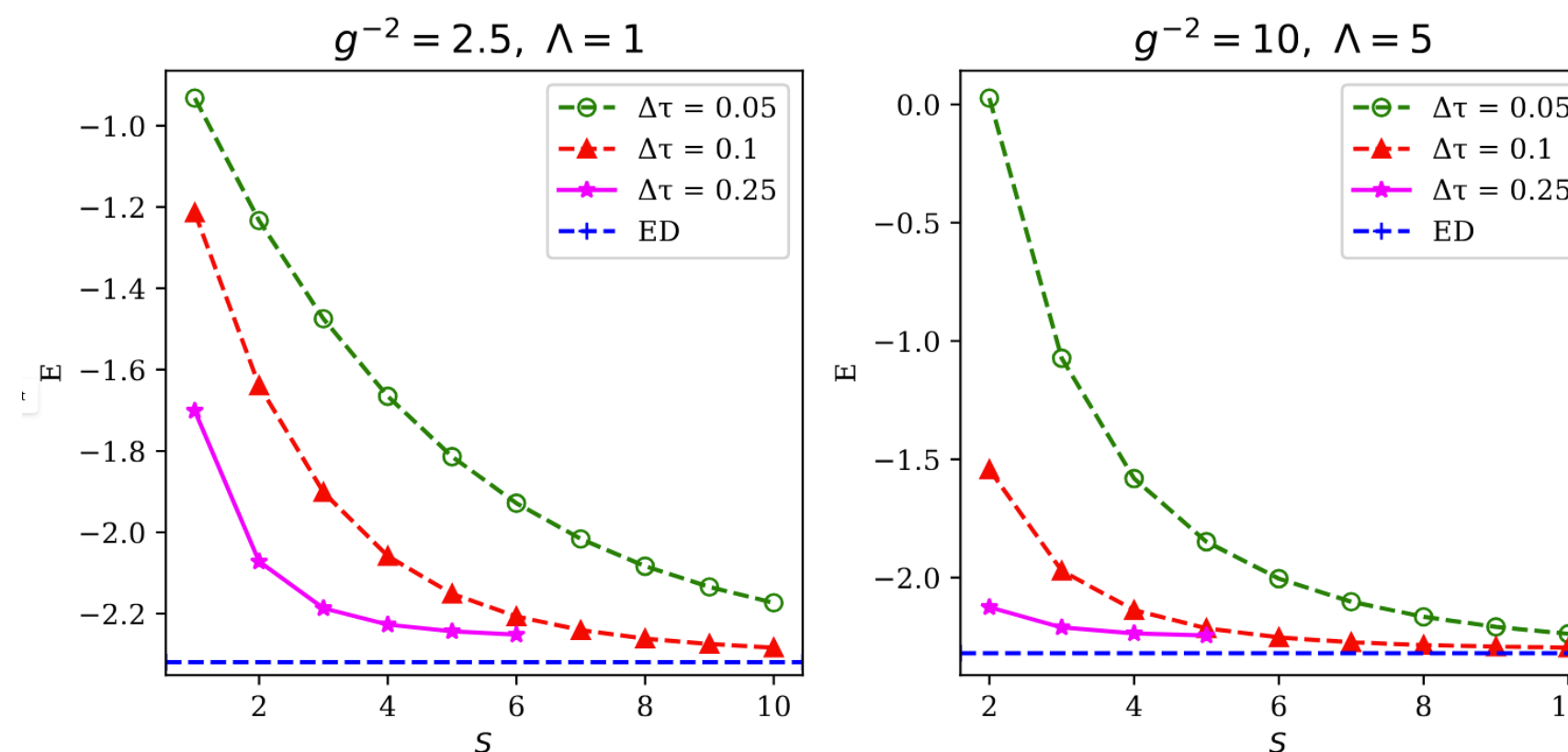
Testing quantum algorithms



Ground state preparation (QITE)



Time evolution



Ground state energy

The full Hamiltonian

Ale, RT, Rico, Ringer, Siopsis '25

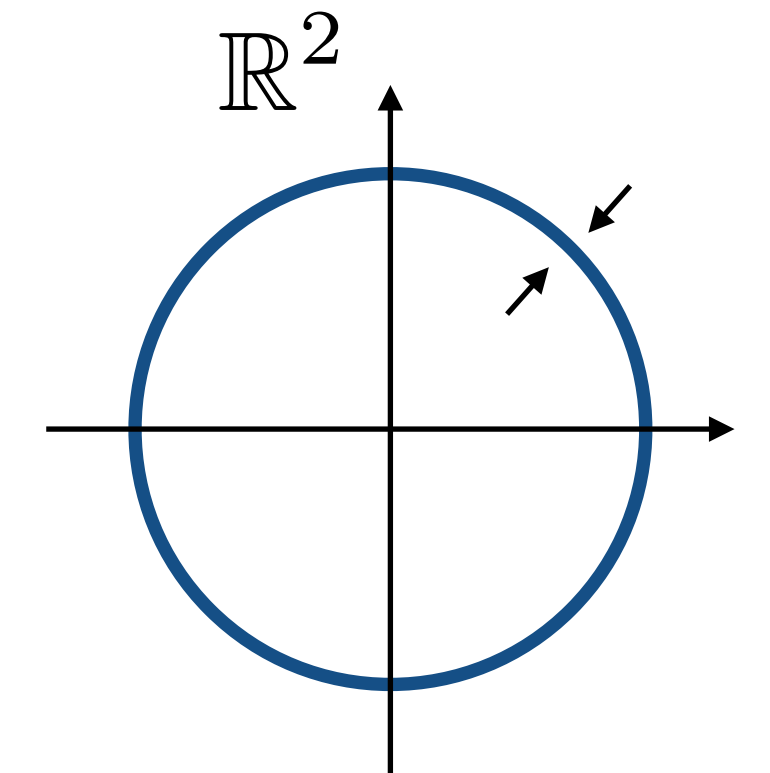
Due to Gauss's law

$$H_E^{(Q)} = g^2 \sum_{n,n'} \left(\mathcal{H}_{nn'}^{(2)} J_n J_{n'} + \mathcal{H}_{nn'}^{(1)} Q_n J_{n'} + \mathcal{H}_{nn'}^{(0)} Q_n Q_{n'} \right),$$

$$H_B^{(Q)} = \frac{1}{2g^2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \left(q_{\mathbf{n}+e_y} - q_{\mathbf{n}} \right)^2,$$

$$H_M^{(Q)} = m_0 \sum_{\mathbf{n}} (-)^{n_x+n_y} Q_{\mathbf{n}},$$

$$H_K^{(Q)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} (q_{\mathbf{n}}^0 - iq_{\mathbf{n}}^1) X_{\mathbf{n}}^+ X_{\mathbf{n}+e_x}^- + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} P_{L(\mathbf{n},\mathbf{n}+e_y)} X_{\mathbf{n}}^+ X_{\mathbf{n}+e_y}^- + \text{h.c.}$$



$$Q_{\mathbf{n}} = \Psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger \Psi_{\mathbf{n}} - \frac{1 - (-)^{n_x+n_y}}{2} \mathbb{1}$$

$$J_{\mathbf{n}} = q_{\mathbf{n}}^0 p_{\mathbf{n}}^1 - q_{\mathbf{n}}^1 p_{\mathbf{n}}^0$$



Qubit/qumode

Qumode

An alternative approach * in preparation

Non-polynomial (trigonometric) gates

Complementing hybrid universality

Any hybrid gate $e^{-i\theta f(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{p}})} \otimes \prod_j \sigma_j$

Taylor-like decomposition of the bosonic Hermitian exponent

$$f(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}) = \sum_{i,j}^N \sum_{n,m} c_{ij,nm} \hat{x}_j^n \hat{p}_j^m, \quad c_{ij,nm} \in \mathbb{R}$$

Fourier-like decomposition of the bosonic Hermitian exponent

$$f(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}) = \sum_{i,j}^N \sum_{n,m} \sum_{k,l} c_{ij,nm}^{(kl)} \cos^n(\hat{x}_j^k + \phi_{x,j}) \sin^m(\hat{p}_j^l + \phi_{p,j}), \quad c_{ij,nm}^{(kl)}, \phi_{x,j}, \phi_{p,j} \in \mathbb{R}$$

Trigonometric gates representation

Encoding compactness in a mode and error correction

Inspired by Drell, Quinn et al `79

$L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L^2(S^1)$ via stabilization operations

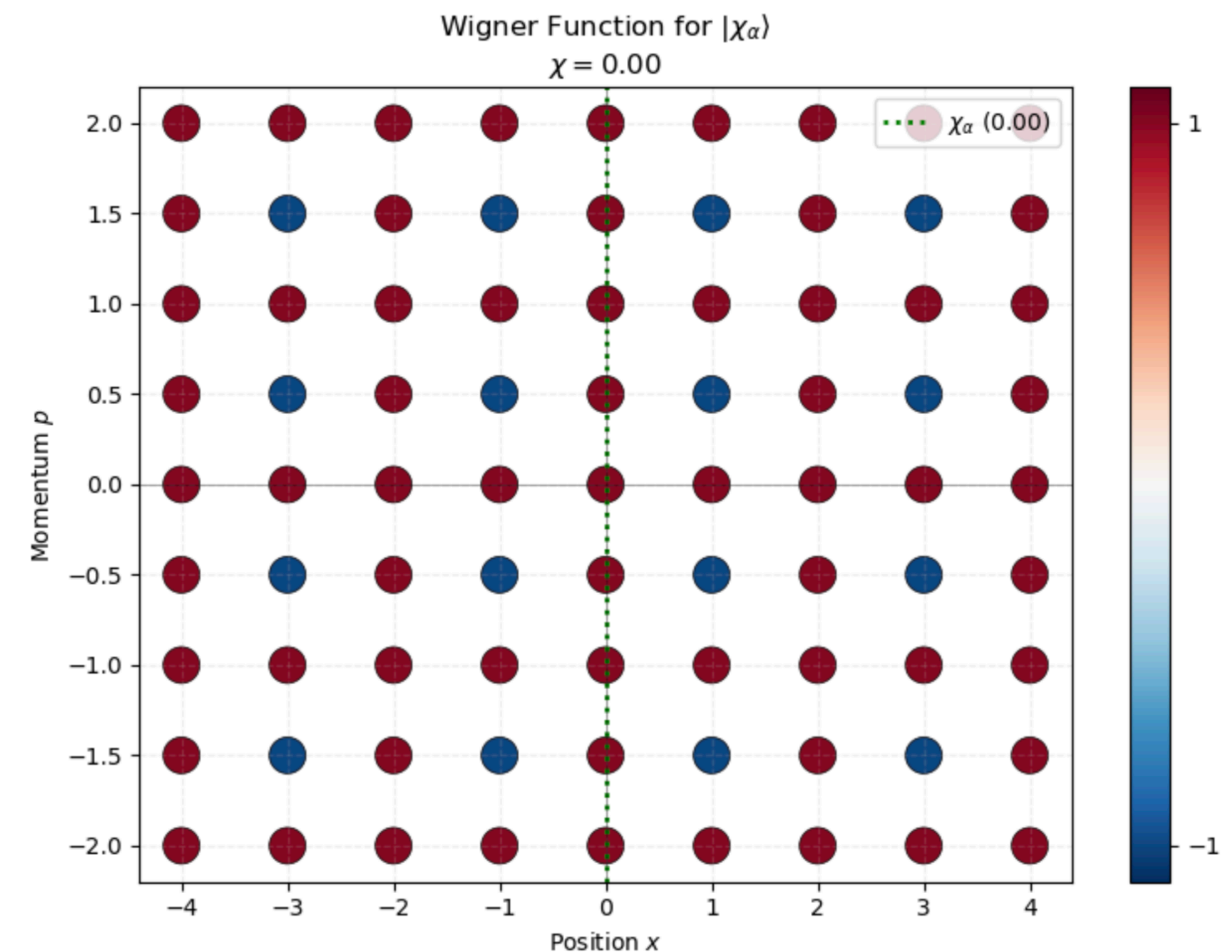
Natural error correction to protect the S^1 topology

$$H_{U(1)} = 2g^2 \hat{E}^2 + \frac{1}{g^2} [1 - \cos(\hat{\chi})]$$

$$H_{U(1)} \mapsto 2g^2 \left(\frac{\hat{p}}{\alpha} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{g^2} [1 - \cos(\alpha \hat{x})] - J \text{ Stabilizer}$$

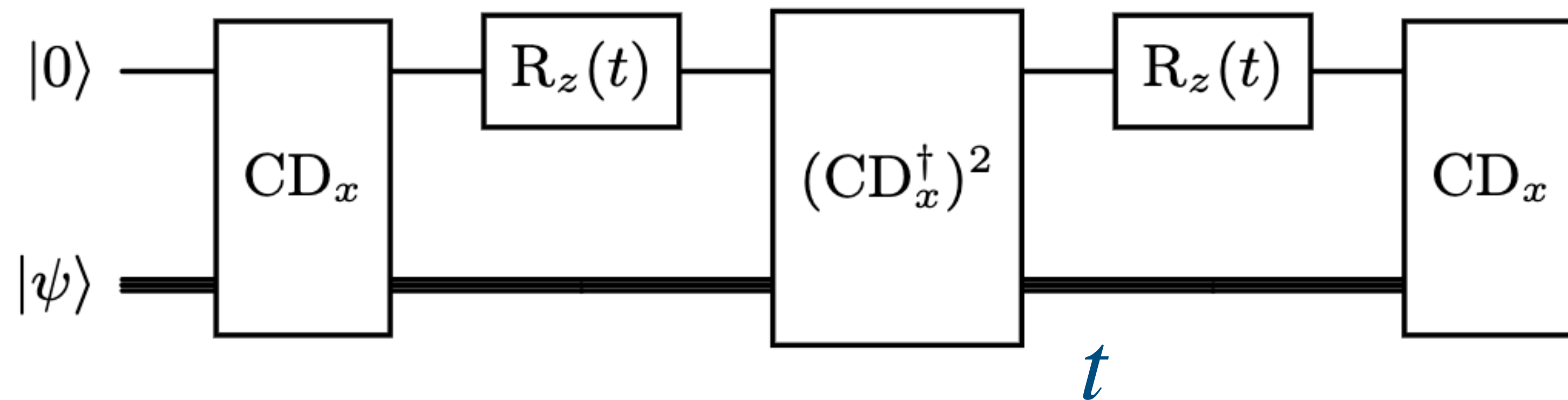
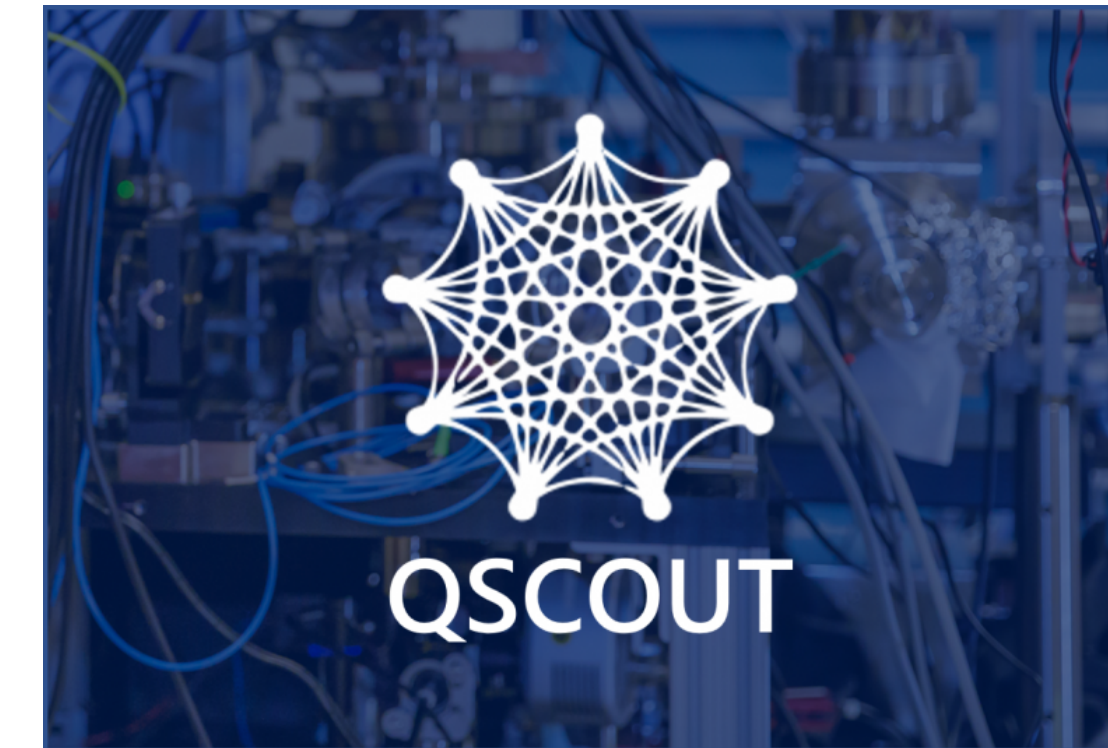
Only allowed (stabilized) states remain

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Like a qunaught GKP state

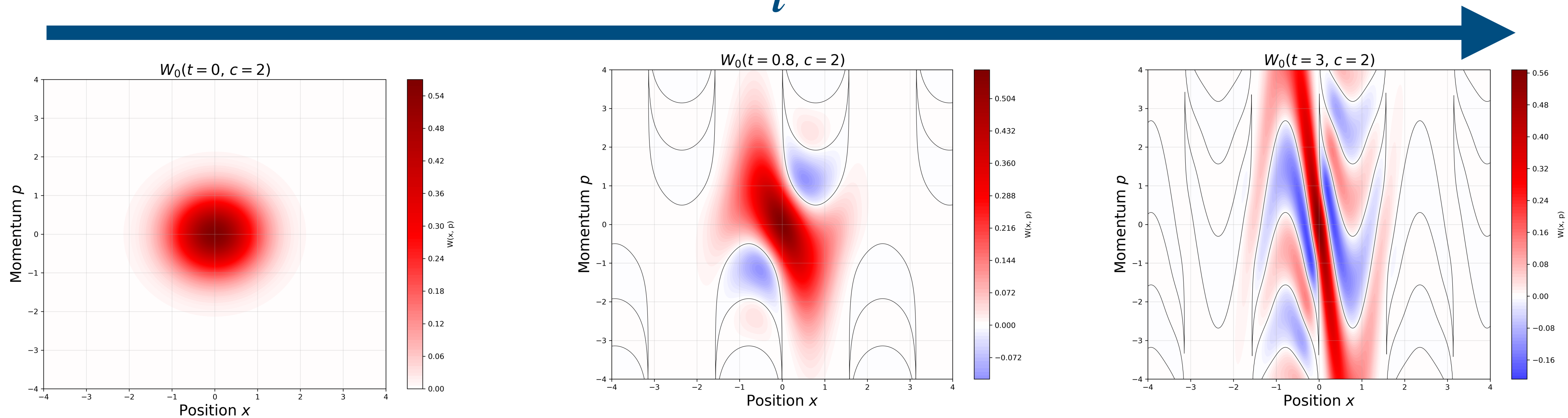
Experimental realization with QSCOUT at Sandia National Lab



$$\approx e^{-it \cos(c\hat{x})}$$

RT, Ringer, Grau, Montgomery, S. Clark et al

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Error models with the OQS formalism

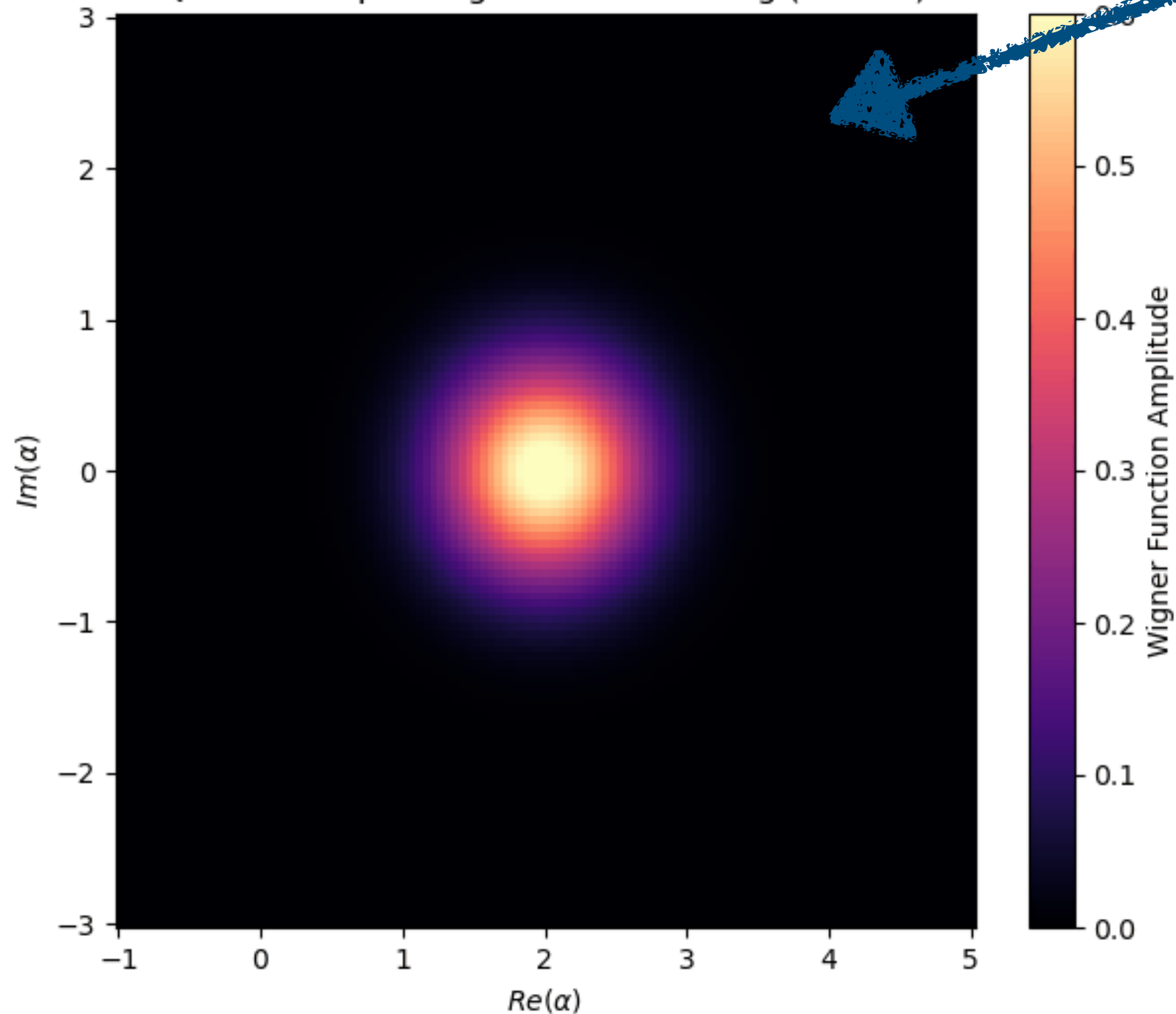
$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}}{dt} = -i[\hat{H}, \hat{\rho}] + \sum_i \left(\hat{C}_i \hat{\rho} \hat{C}_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{C_i^\dagger C_i, \hat{\rho}\} \right)$$

$$\hat{C} = \sqrt{\gamma} \hat{n} \quad \text{dephasing}$$

$$\langle n | \dot{\rho} | m \rangle = -\frac{\gamma}{2} (n - m)^2 \rho_{nm}$$



Qumode Dephasing: Phase Smearing (t=0.00)



$$\hat{C} = \sqrt{\kappa} \hat{a} \quad \text{photon/phonon loss}$$

$$\langle n | \dot{\rho} | m \rangle = \kappa \sqrt{(n+1)(m+1)} \rho_{n+1, m+1} - \frac{\kappa}{2} (n+m) \rho_{nm}$$

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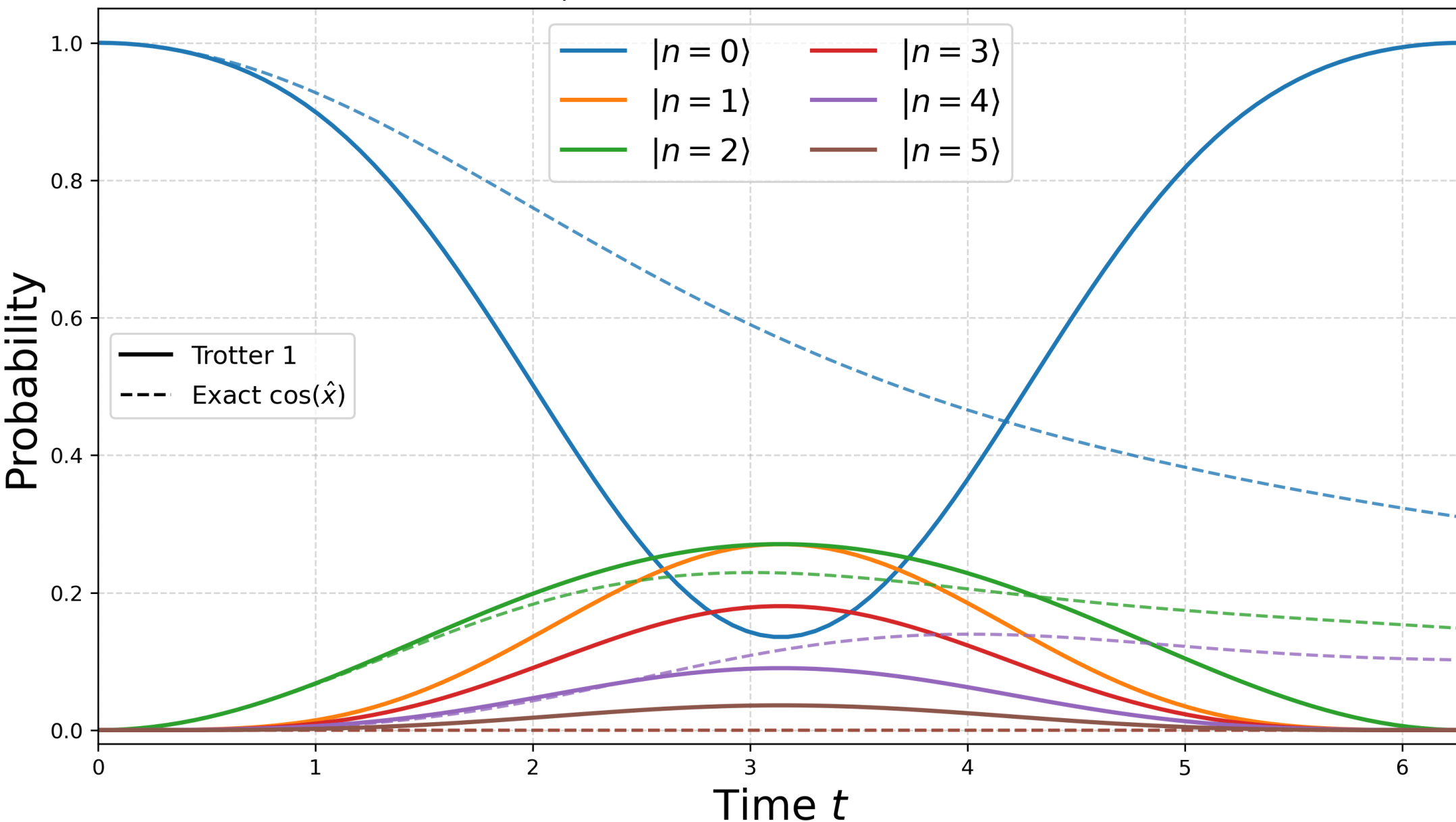
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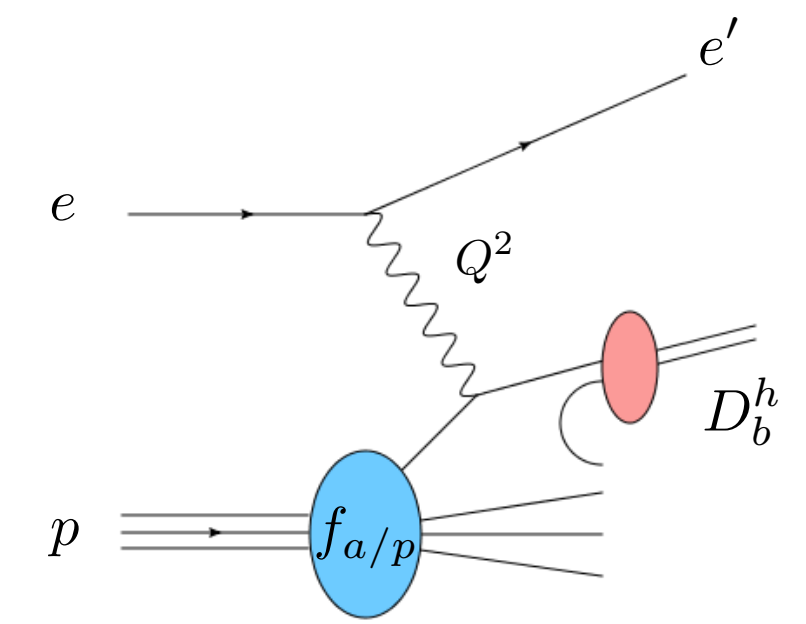
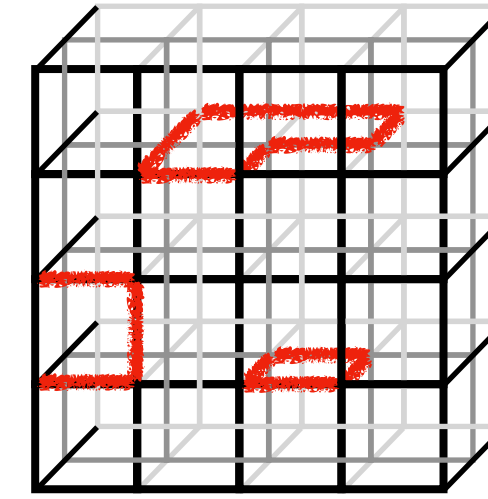
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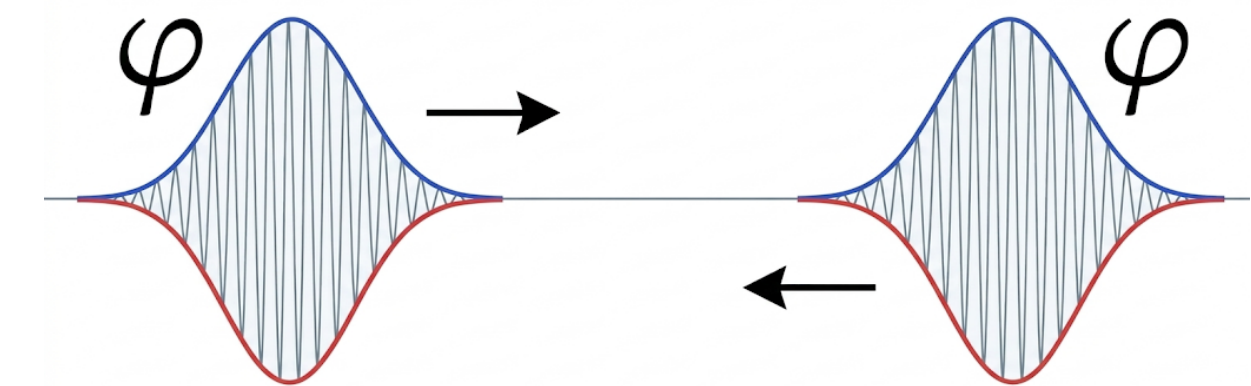
Comparison: Trotter Order 1 vs Exact $\cos(\hat{x})$



Summary



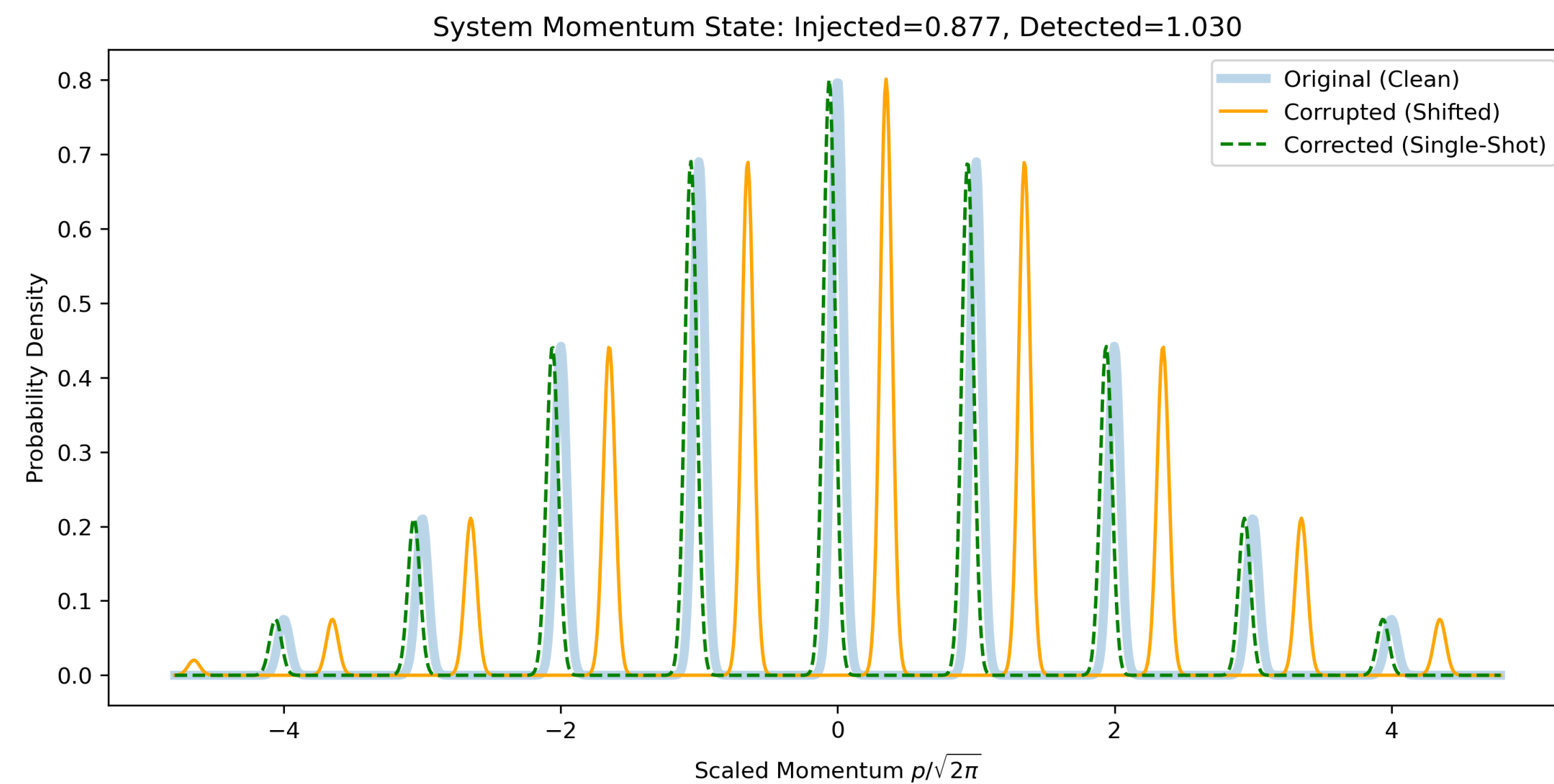
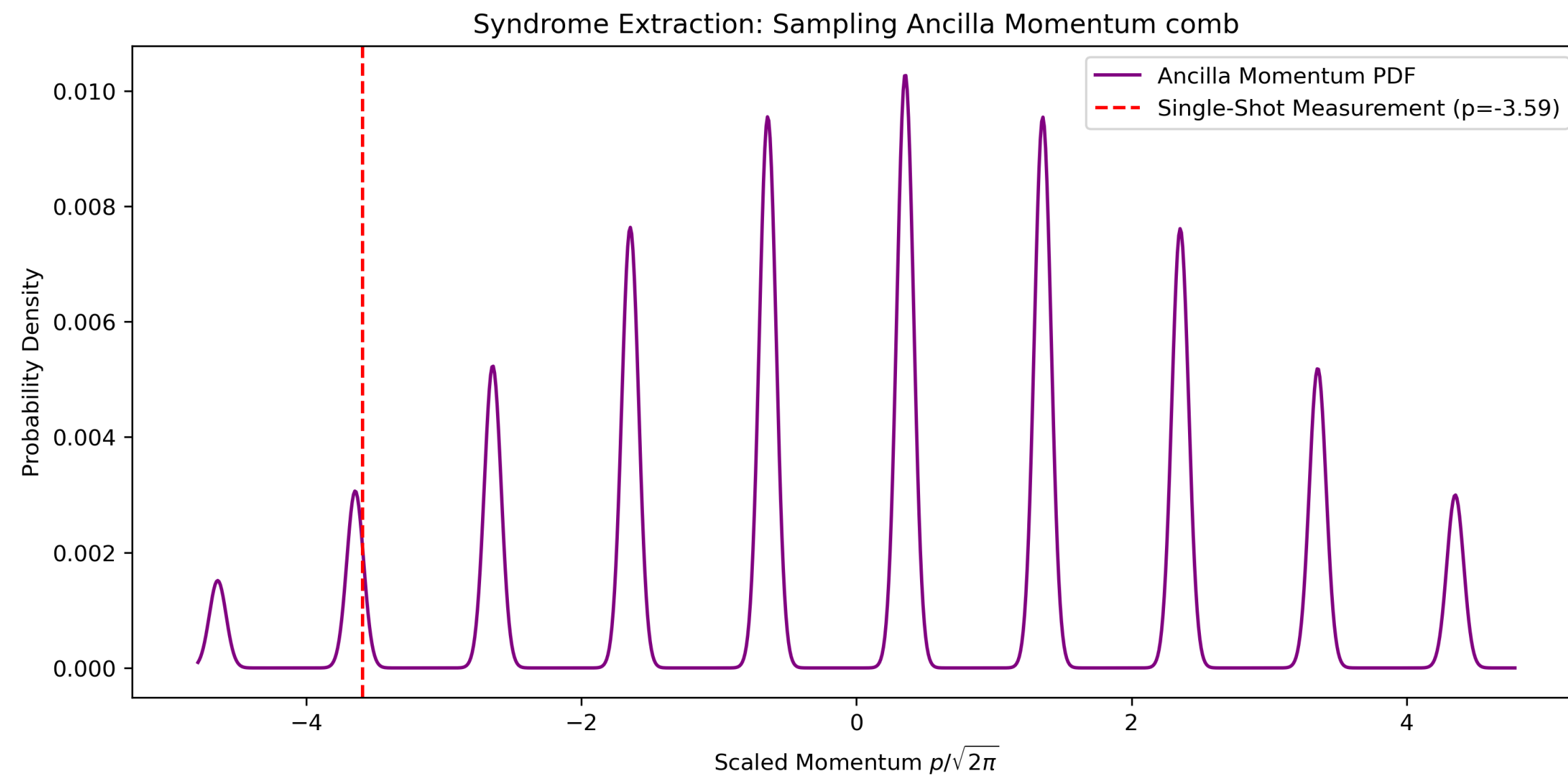
- **Hybrid formalism to map bosons to Qumodes and fermions to Qubits for lattice gauge theories**
 - Feasibility with different existing hybrid platforms
 - Ground state preparation, Time evolution, etc...
 - Scattering process, hadronization, structure, etc...
- **Explicit example for Abelian U(1) gauge theory with fermions in any dimension**
 - Extensions to non-Abelian theories are possible (SU(2) Ringer et al JHEP06(2025)084)
- **New class of gates: non-polynomial (trigonometric) gates (important for physics and much more)**
- **Open quantum systems: physical & error models**



Thank you

Extra slides

Error correction



Syndrome extraction with:
Ancilla qubit register or mode
Non demolition measurement

Syndrome correction

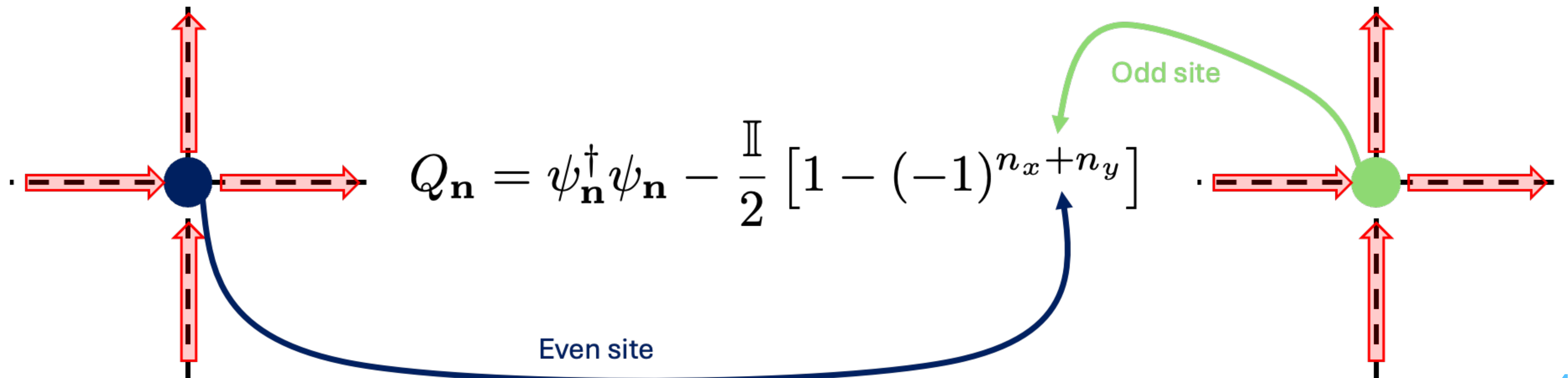
Peak recentered

$$|n\sqrt{2\pi} + \delta\rangle_s \xrightarrow{\text{Feedback}} |n\sqrt{2\pi}\rangle_s$$

Gauss Law

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho$$

$$E_{\mathbf{n}, \hat{e}_x} + E_{\mathbf{n}, \hat{e}_y} - E_{\mathbf{n}, -\hat{e}_x} - E_{\mathbf{n}, -\hat{e}_y} = Q_{\mathbf{n}}$$

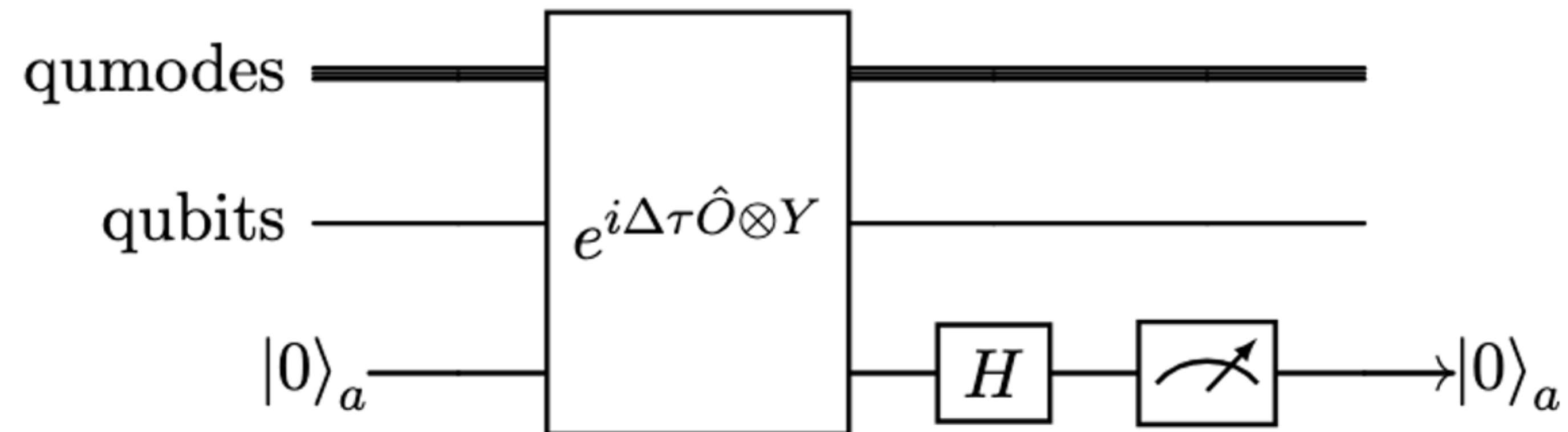


QITE method A

Zero qubit state

$${}_a\langle 0 | H_a e^{i\Delta\tau\hat{O}\otimes Y_a} | 0 \rangle_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\Delta\tau\hat{O}} + \mathcal{O}((\Delta\tau)^2)$$

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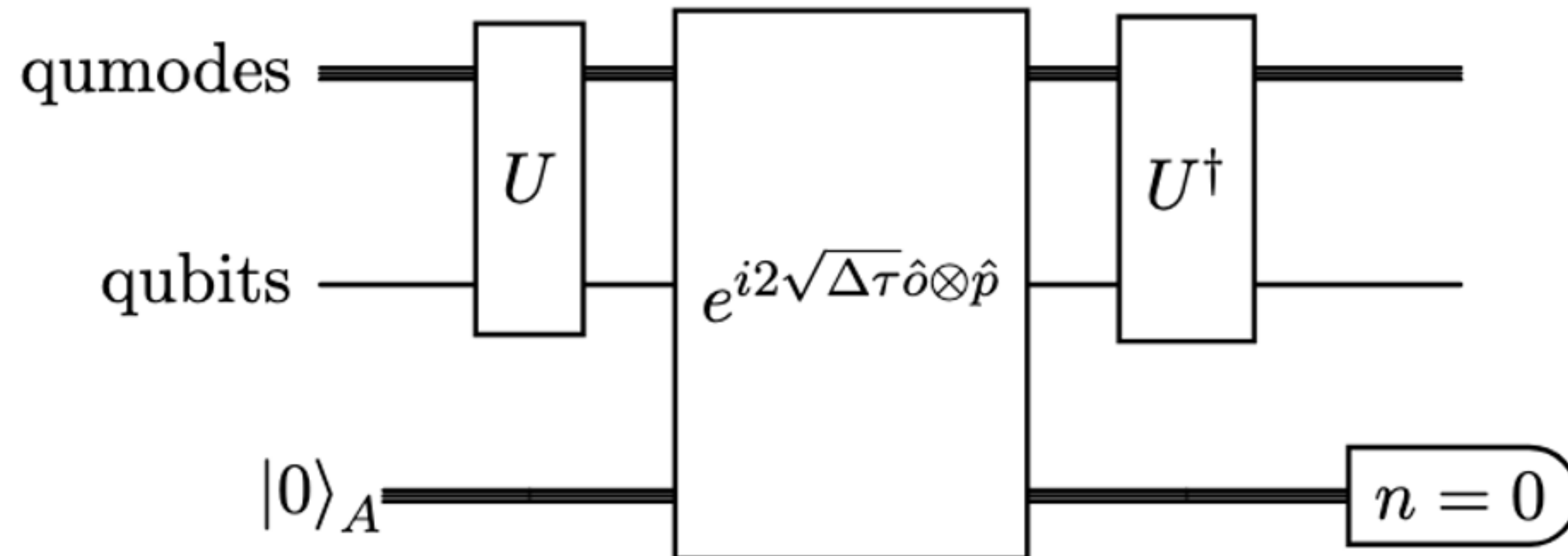
QITE method B

Zero Fock state

$${}_A\langle 0 | e^{i2\sqrt{\Delta\tau}\hat{o}\otimes\hat{p}_A} | 0 \rangle_A \propto e^{-\Delta\tau\hat{o}^2}$$

$$U^\dagger e^{-\Delta\tau\hat{o}^2} U = e^{-\Delta\tau\hat{O}}$$

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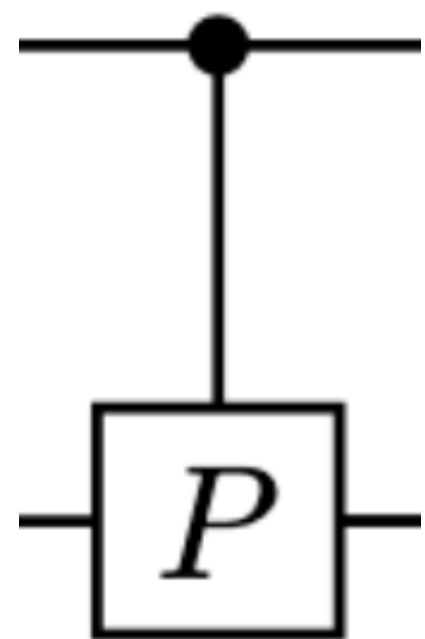
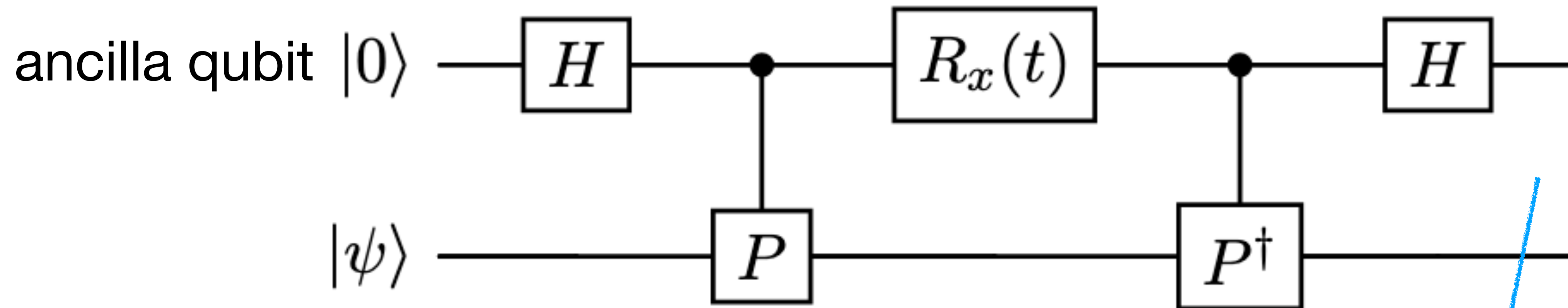


Building trigonometric gates

Learning from qubit exponentiation

Any Hermitian unitary operator P can be exponentiated using one ancilla qubit

!! It naively works only for qubits !!



$$= \mathbb{I} \otimes |+\rangle_a \langle +|_a + P \otimes |-\rangle_a \langle -|_a$$

$$e^{-i\frac{t}{2}P \otimes Z_a} |\psi\rangle |0\rangle_a = e^{-i\frac{t}{2}P} |\psi\rangle |0\rangle_a$$

Building trigonometric gates

Extending and expanding the logic to bosonic unitaries

Embed the bosonic unitary U into a larger Hilbert space by entangling it with an ancilla qubit to make it Hermitian

We only need to be able to create controlled- U to make Σ

$$U = e^{i\hat{A}}$$

$$\Sigma = e^{i\hat{A} \otimes X} \cdot (I \otimes Z) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} U + U^\dagger & U^\dagger - U \\ U - U^\dagger & -U - U^\dagger \end{pmatrix} = \cos(\hat{A}) \otimes Z + \sin(\hat{A}) \otimes Y$$

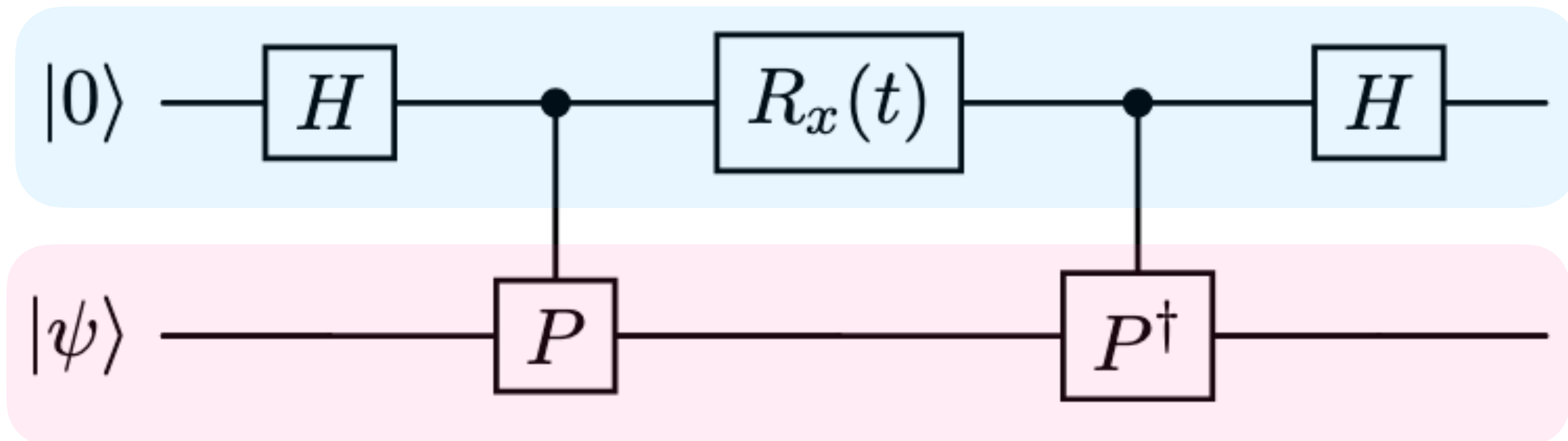
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*This is just one example of many possible ones

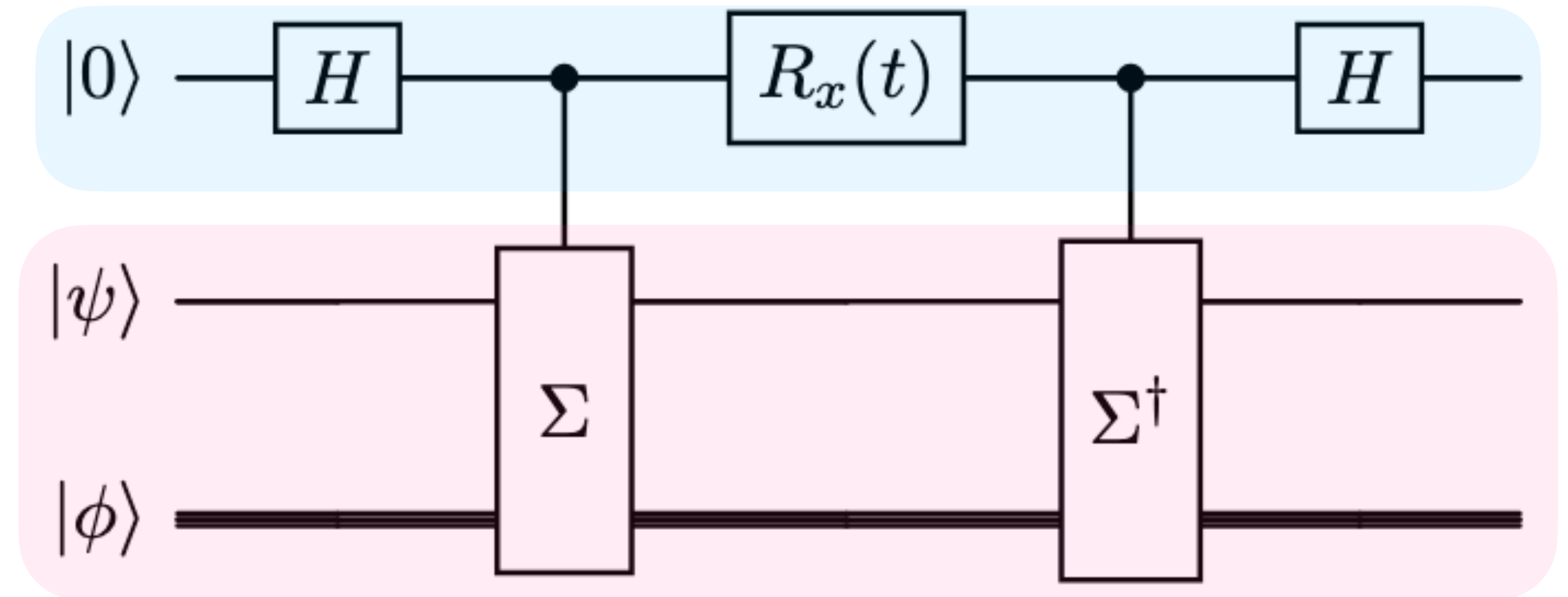
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Now we can exponentiate Σ and/or $\bar{\Sigma}$ using the ancilla trick

Exponentiation of Pauli string



Exponentiation of hybrid Hermitian unitary



$$C\Sigma = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \Sigma \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} = e^{i\hat{A} \otimes X_a \otimes \Pi_-^b} (\mathbb{I} \otimes CZ_{ab})$$

The circuit produces:

$$e^{it\Sigma \otimes Z} |\phi\rangle |\psi\rangle |0\rangle$$

Building trigonometric gates

Last step

Since it is

$$\Sigma + \bar{\Sigma} = 2 \cos \hat{A} \otimes Z,$$

$$\Sigma - \bar{\Sigma} = 2 \sin \hat{A} \otimes Y$$

It follows that

$$e^{i\frac{t}{2}\Sigma \otimes Z} e^{i\frac{t}{2}\bar{\Sigma} \otimes Z} = e^{it \cos(\hat{A}) \otimes Z \otimes Z} + \mathcal{O}(t^2)$$

and

$$e^{i\frac{t}{2}\Sigma \otimes Z} e^{-i\frac{t}{2}\bar{\Sigma} \otimes Z} = e^{it \sin(\hat{A}) \otimes Y \otimes Z} + \mathcal{O}(t^2)$$

