

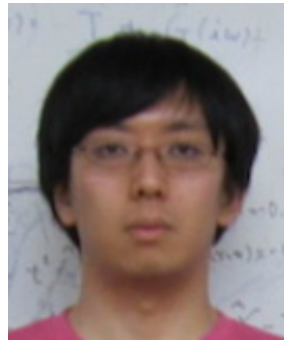
Quantum simulations for quantum many-body systems: Variational quantum algorithms and beyond

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- less number of variational parameters
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- no prior knowledge for a better circuit structure



■ Quantum power method

- no prior knowledge for a better circuit structure
- no variational parameters

■ Summary



PHYSICAL REVIEW A **101**, 052340 (2020)

Symmetry-adapted variational quantum eigensolver

Kazuhiro Seki ¹, Tomonori Shirakawa ² and Seiji Yunoki^{1,2,3}


PHYSICAL REVIEW RESEARCH **3**, 013004 (2021)

Discretized quantum adiabatic process for free fermions and comparison with the imaginary-time evolution

Tomonori Shirakawa ¹, Kazuhiro Seki ² and Seiji Yunoki^{1,2,3}

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Quantum Power Method by a Superposition of Time-Evolved States

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Introduction

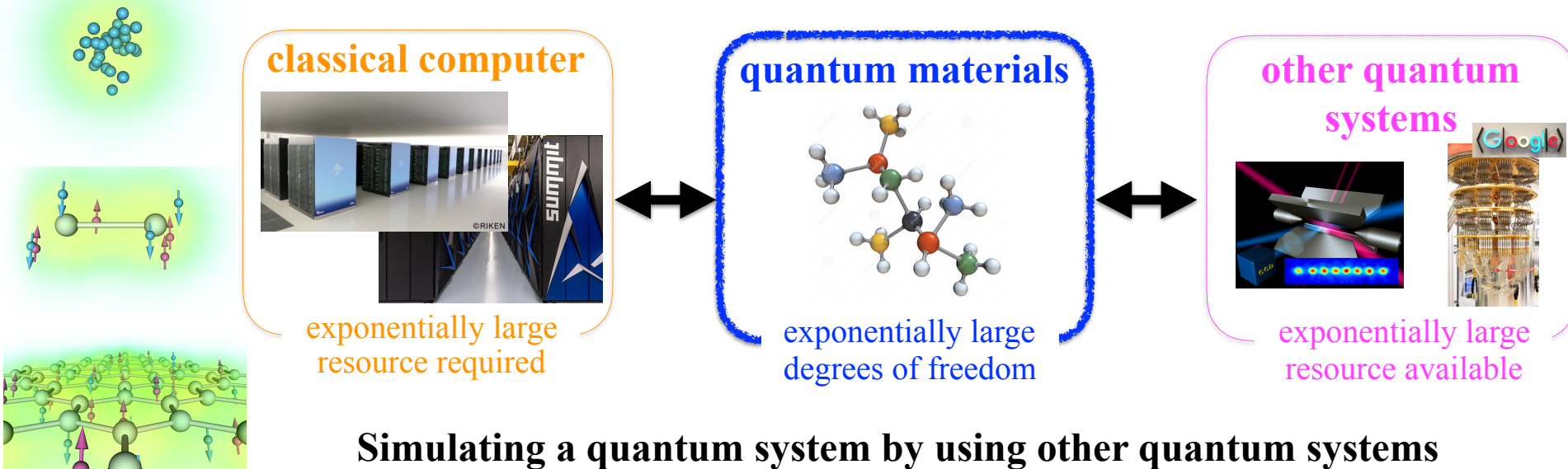
Quantum simulation in quantum computer

R. P. Feynman, Int. J. Theor. Phys. **21**, 467 (1982).

Richard P. Feynman



“...Nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of nature, you'd better make it quantum mechanical, and by golly it's a wonderful problem, because it doesn't look so easy...”



Quantum simulation in Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum (NISQ) devices

Quantum 2, 79 ('18)



John Preskill

Quantum Computing in the NISQ era and beyond

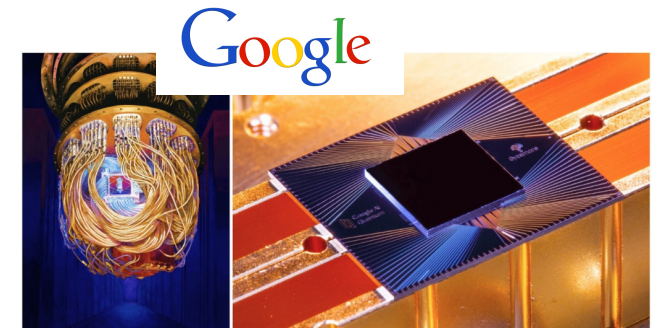
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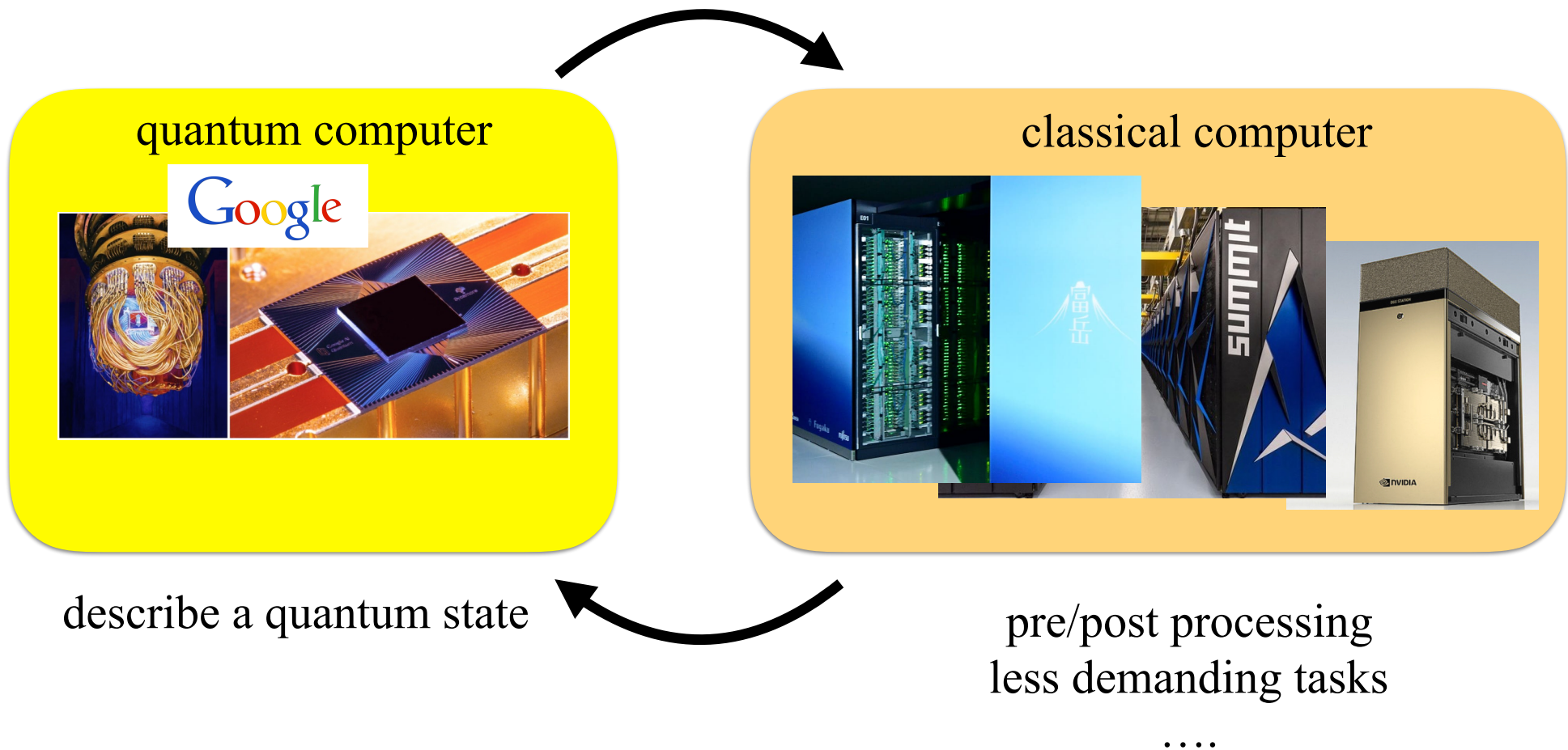
Noisy Intermediate-Scale Quantum (NISQ) technology will be available in the near future. Quantum computers with 50-100 qubits may be able to perform tasks which surpass the capabilities of today's classical digital computers, but noise in quantum gates will limit the size of quantum circuits that can be executed reliably. NISQ devices will be useful tools for exploring many-body quantum physics, and may have other useful applications, but the 100-qubit quantum computer will not change the world right away — we should regard it as a significant step toward the more powerful quantum technologies of the future. Quantum technologists should continue to strive for more accurate quantum gates and, eventually, fully fault-tolerant quantum computing.

50~100 qubits without fault tolerant



Can we do something interesting in NISQ devices !!??

Quantum-classical hybrid scheme



Variational quantum eigenvalue solver (VQE)

A. Peruzzo, J. McClean, P. Shadbolt, M.-H. Yung, X.-Q. Zhou, P. J. Love, A. Aspuru-Guzik & J. L. O'Brien, Nat. Commun. 5, 4213 ('14)

$$\hat{H}|\Psi(\{\theta_i\})\rangle = E(\{\theta_i\})|\Psi(\{\theta_i\})\rangle$$

variational quantum state:

parametrized circuit ansatz

$$|\Psi(\{\theta_i\})\rangle = \hat{U}(\{\theta_i\})|0\rangle =$$

unitary operator

N : number of qubits

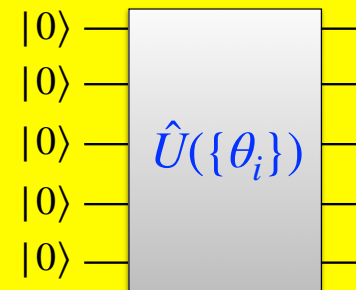
$|\Psi(\{\theta_i\})\rangle$: 2^N dimensional vector
(variational state)

$\{\theta_i\}$: poly(N) dimensional vector
(variational parameters)

Efficient parametrization of
a variational state is crucial

quantum computer

quantum circuit



expectation value of energy

$$E(\{\theta_i\}) = \sum_k \langle \hat{H}_k \rangle_{\{\theta_i\}}$$

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{k=1}^M \hat{H}_k$$

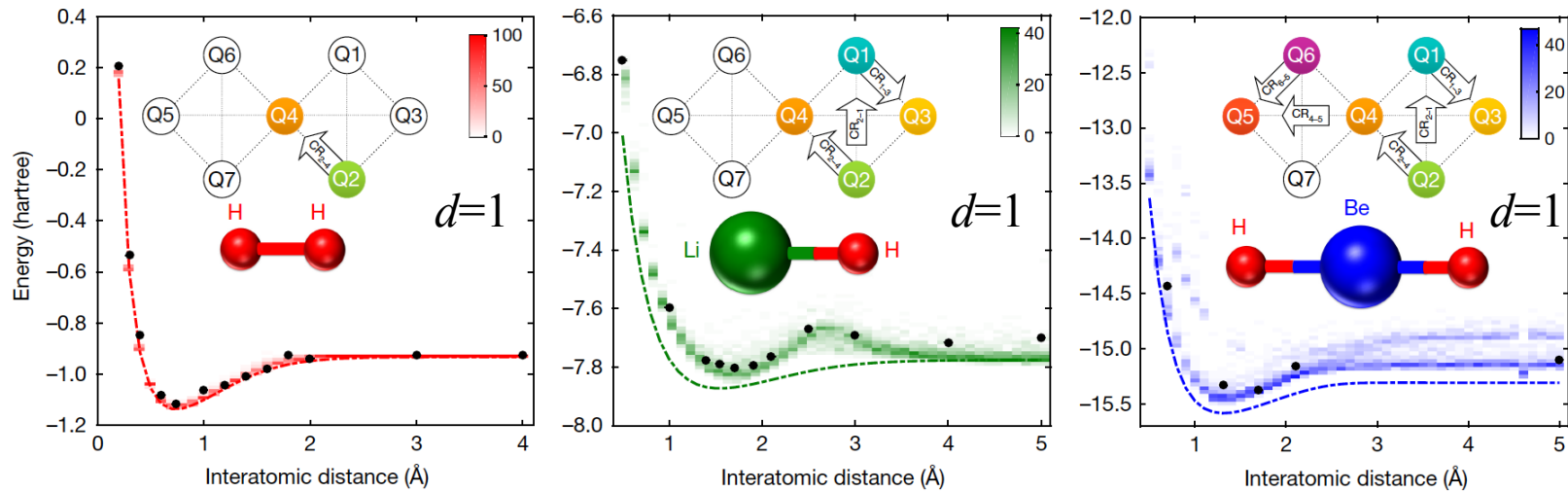
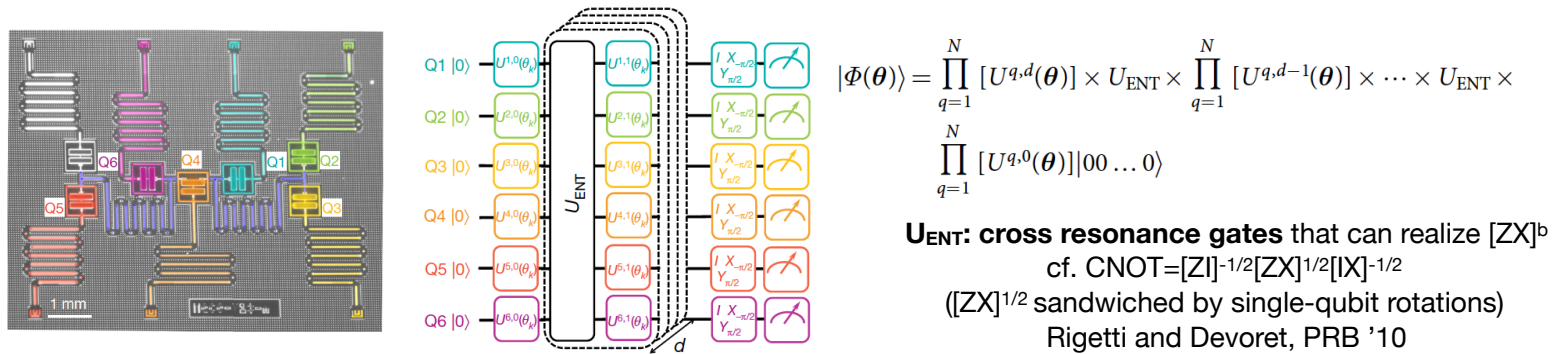
classical computer

optimization of variational parameters $\{\theta_i\}$

$$\theta_i \leftarrow \theta_i - \lambda \partial E(\{\theta_i\}) / \partial \theta_i$$

Hardware efficient VQE by IBM

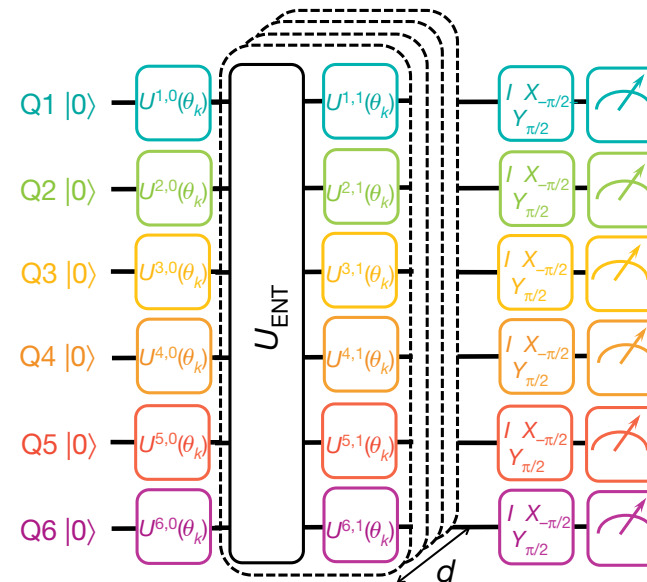
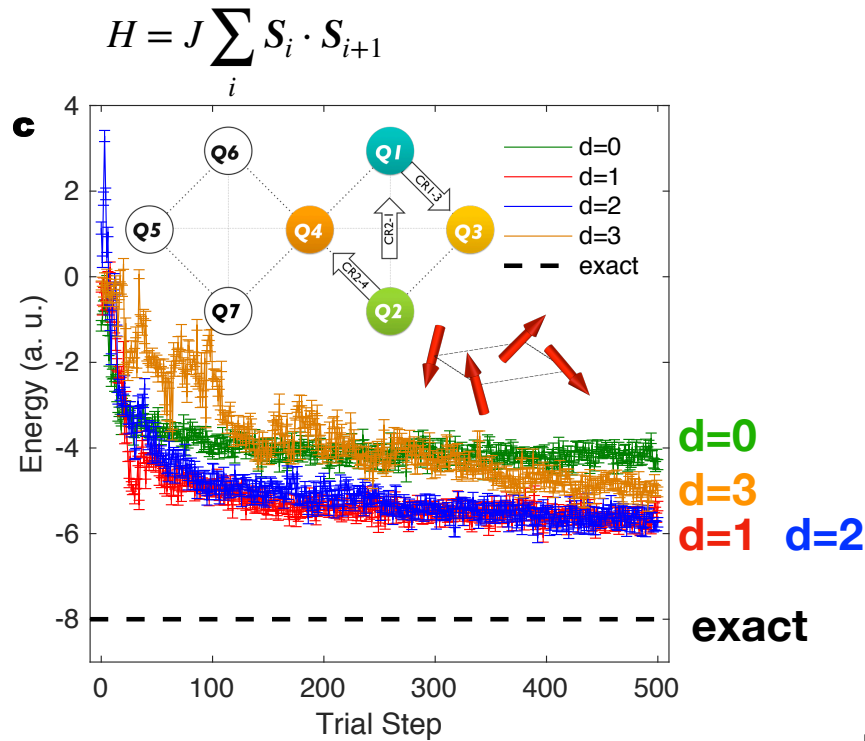
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4-site S=1/2 Heisenberg model: experiment



U_{ENT} : cross resonance gates that can realize $[ZX]^b$
 cf. CNOT= $[Z]^{-1/2}[ZX]^{1/2}[IX]^{-1/2}$
 ($[ZX]^{1/2}$ sandwiched by single-qubit rotations)
 Rigetti and Devoret, PRB '10

Symmetry-adapted VQE

- A system described by Hamiltonian H has its own symmetry
 - ▶ point group symmetry, translational symmetry, spin rotational symmetry, ...
- A parametrized circuit inherently breaks the symmetry of H

■ K. Seki, T. Shirakawa & S. Yunoki, Phys. Rev. A **101**, 052340/1-15 ('20).

Projection operator to restore symmetry

- Projection operator $\hat{P}_l^{(\gamma)}$ onto the γ irreducible representation with the l -th entry:


$$\hat{P}_l^{(\gamma)} = \frac{d_\gamma}{|\mathcal{G}|} \sum_{\hat{g} \in \mathcal{G}} [\bar{D}^{(\gamma)}(\hat{g})]_{ll}^* \hat{g} \quad \text{a sum of unitaries}$$

\hat{g} : symmetry operator s. t. $\hat{g}\hat{H}\hat{g}^{-1} = \hat{H}$: unitary

but $\hat{P}_l^{(\gamma)}$ is not unitary

- Symmetry adapted state:

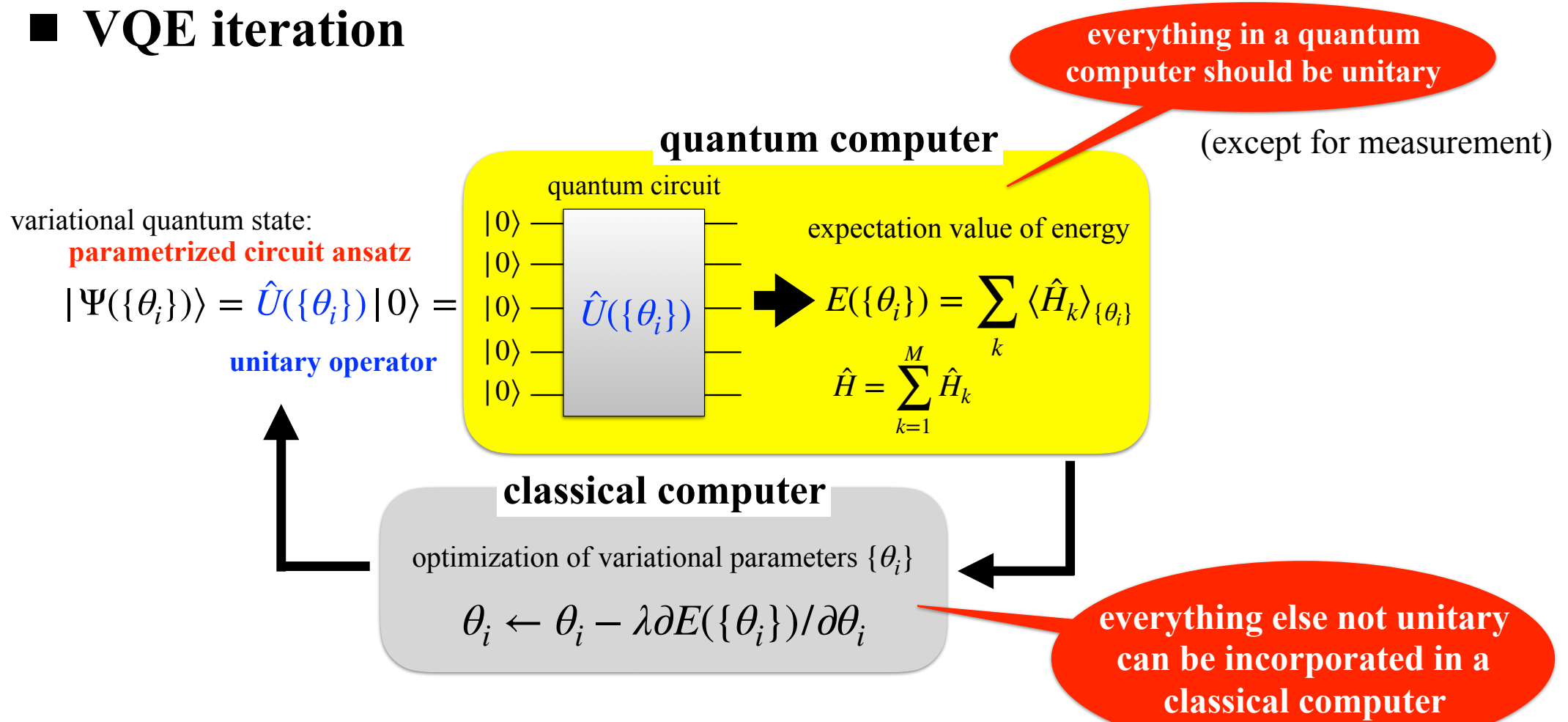
$$|\psi_l^{(\gamma)}\rangle \sim \hat{P}_l^{(\gamma)} |\psi\rangle$$

Symmetry-broken state 

$$|\psi_l^{(\gamma)}\rangle = \frac{\hat{P}_l^{(\gamma)} |\psi\rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \psi | \hat{P}_l^{(\gamma)} | \psi \rangle}}$$

Simple idea of how to treat non-unitary operation

■ VQE iteration



S=1/2 antiferromagnetic Heisenberg model (J>0)

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \frac{J}{4} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (\hat{X}_i \hat{X}_j + \hat{Y}_i \hat{Y}_j + \hat{Z}_i \hat{Z}_j) = \frac{J}{2} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \left(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{ij} - \frac{\hat{I}}{2} \right),$$

$\hat{X}_i, \hat{Y}_i, \hat{Z}_i$: Pauli matrices

$\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{ij}$: Permutation (SWAP) operator s.t. $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{ij}|a\rangle_i|b\rangle_j = |b\rangle_i|a\rangle_j$

The ground state:

- ° Total spin $S = 0$ (spin singlet)
- ° Total momentum $q = 0$ (spatially symmetric)

Marshall '55
Lieb and Mattis '62

Our strategy:

1. Make a spin-symmetric circuit Ansatz which may break the spatial symmetry
2. Restore the spatial symmetry by applying a non-unitary projection operator

RVB-type wave function

$$|\Psi(\theta)\rangle = \hat{\mathcal{U}}(\theta)|\Phi\rangle$$

Exponential-SWAP gates

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}(\theta) = \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} \hat{U}_{ij}(\theta_{ij})$$

$$\hat{U}_{ij}(\theta) = \exp(-i\theta\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{ij}/2)$$

$$= \hat{I} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} - i\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{ij} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

θ : variational parameters

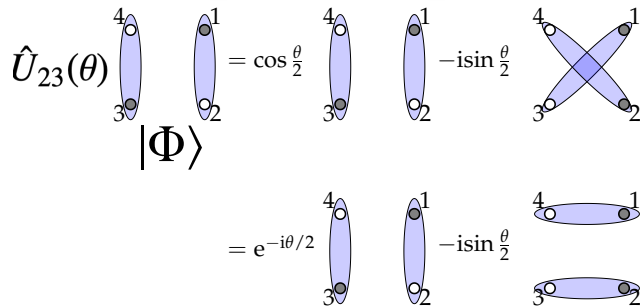
Singlet product state

$$|\Phi\rangle = \bigotimes_{i \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} |[i, i+1]\rangle$$

$|[i, j]\rangle$: spin-singlet state

$$|[i, j]\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle_i |1\rangle_j - |1\rangle_i |0\rangle_j)$$

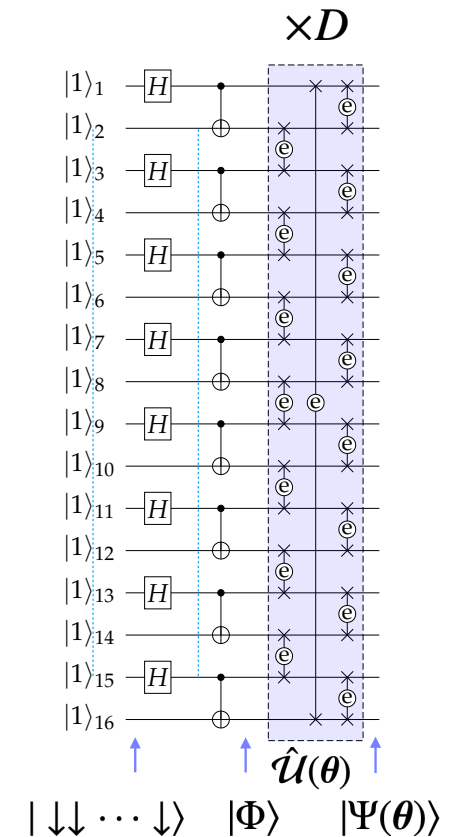
example: N=4



$|\Psi(\theta)\rangle$ represents a linear combination of dimer coverings.

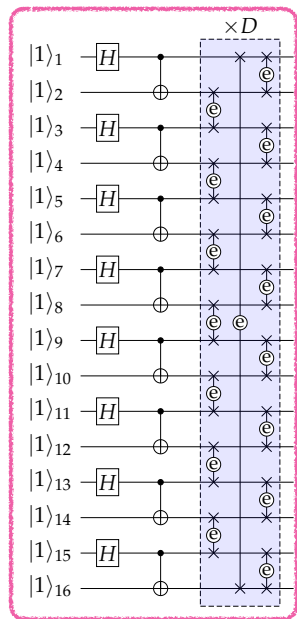
→ **Resonating-valence-bond (RVB)**-type wave function

Quantum circuit



RVB-type wave function on a quantum circuit

Quantum circuit



gate sequence

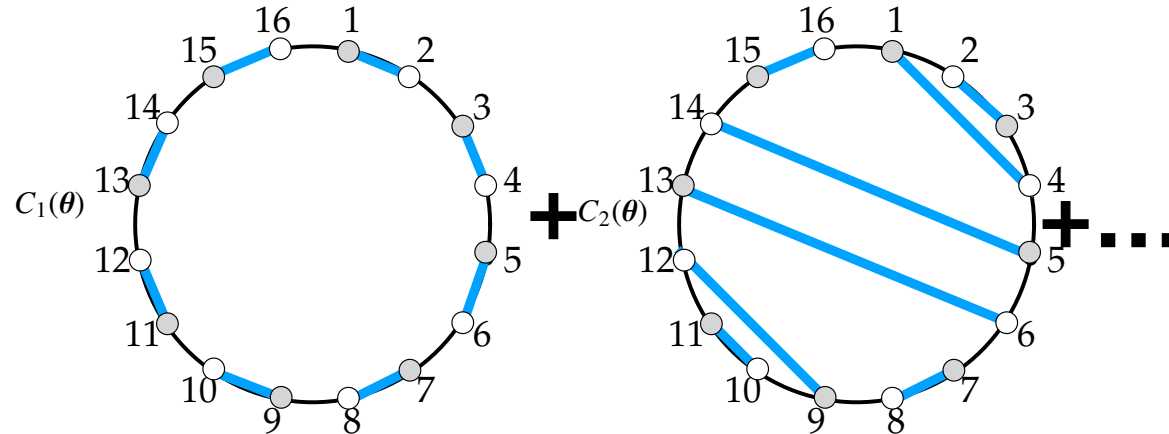
"Physical" interpretation

$|0\rangle_i$: spin \uparrow associated with i th site

$|1\rangle_i$: spin \downarrow associated with i th site

Resonating valence-bond (RVB)-type state
= a superposition of many singlet-pair-product states

cf. spin liquids



Restoring translation symmetry by projection operator

Symmetry-restored state $\rightarrow |\Psi_q(\theta)\rangle = \frac{\hat{P}_q |\Psi(\theta)\rangle \leftarrow \text{Symmetry-broken state}}{\sqrt{\langle \Psi(\theta) | \hat{P}_q | \Psi(\theta) \rangle}}$ **where**

Projection operator: $\hat{P}_q = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{G}|} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{G}} [\chi^{(q)}(\hat{T}_n)]^* \hat{T}_n \leftarrow \text{Sum of unitaries}$

\hat{T}_n : translation operator s. t. $\hat{T}_n \hat{H} \hat{T}_n^{-1} = \hat{H}$: **unitary**

$\chi^{(q)}(\hat{T}_n) = \exp(-iqn)$: character of \hat{T}_n

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{T}_n] = 0 \quad [\hat{H}, \hat{P}_q] = 0$$

$$\hat{P}_q^2 = \hat{P}_q$$

Variational energy w.r.t. the symmetry-restored state

$$E_q(\theta) = \langle \Psi_q(\theta) | \hat{H} | \Psi_q(\theta) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{\langle \Psi(\theta) | \hat{H} \hat{P}_q | \Psi(\theta) \rangle}{\langle \Psi(\theta) | \hat{P}_q | \Psi(\theta) \rangle}$$

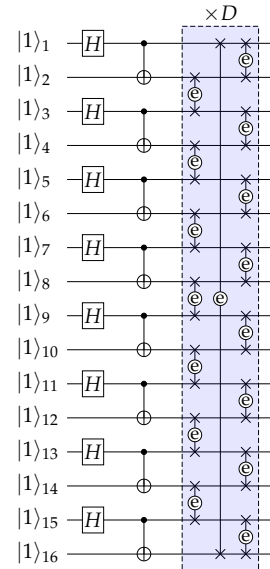
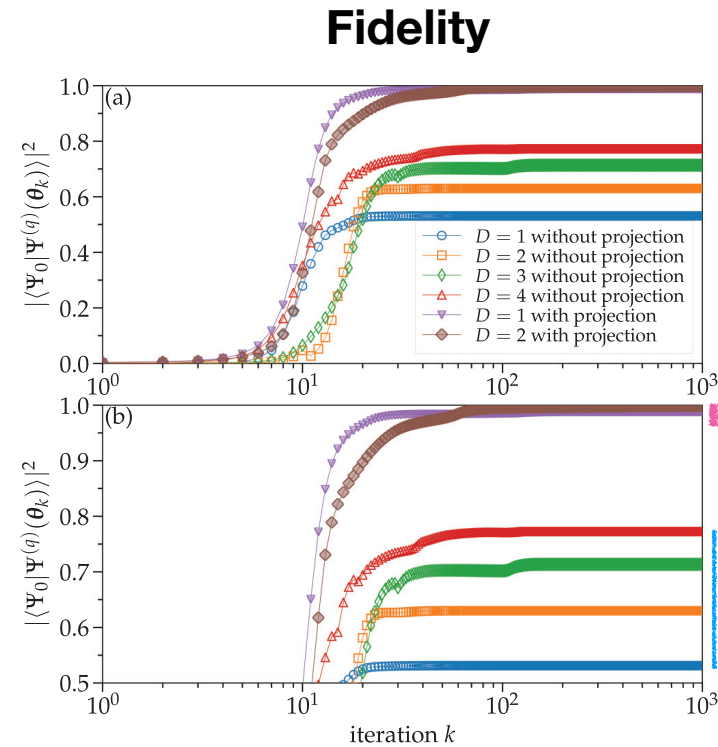
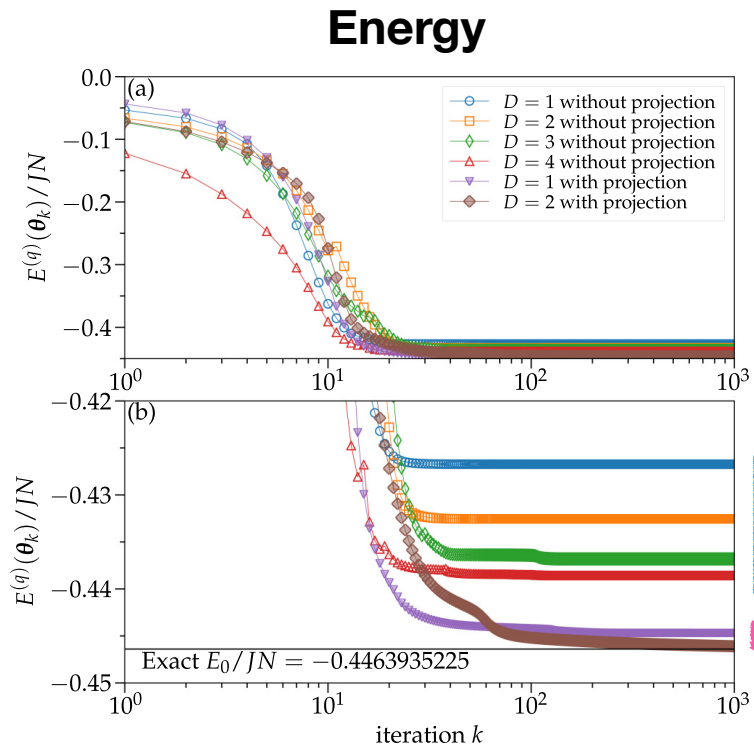
evaluate these matrix elements with quantum computers

Ground-state energy and fidelity

K. Seki, T. Shirakawa & S. Yunoki, Phys. Rev. A **101**, 052340 ('20).

■ S=1/2 Heisenberg ring with 16 sites

Parameter optimization: natural gradient descent



with sym.

$D=1,2$

D : # of layers

without sym.

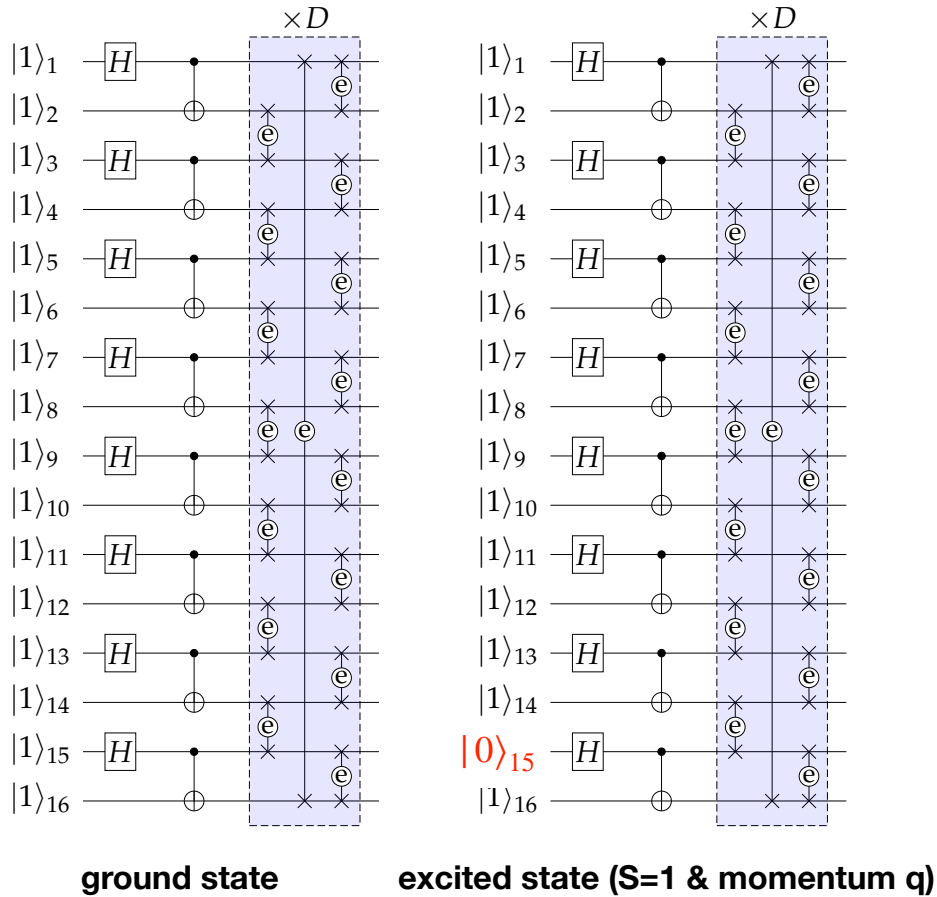
$D=1,2,3,4$

Substantial improvement with much less # of layers D !!

Excited states with S=1

■ Same circuit structure except for a single input qubit

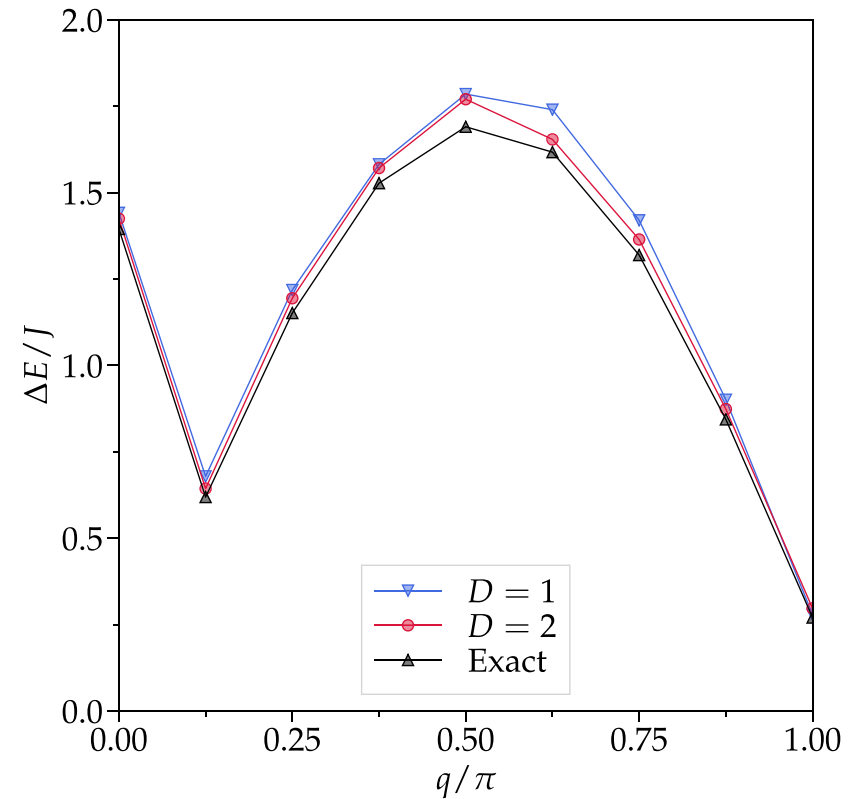
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$$\chi^{(q)}(\hat{T}_n) = 1$$

$$\chi^{(q)}(\hat{T}_n) = \exp(iqn)$$

Lowest excitation energy with S=1 at different q

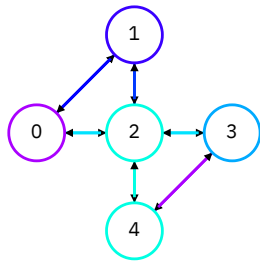


Experiment with a quantum device

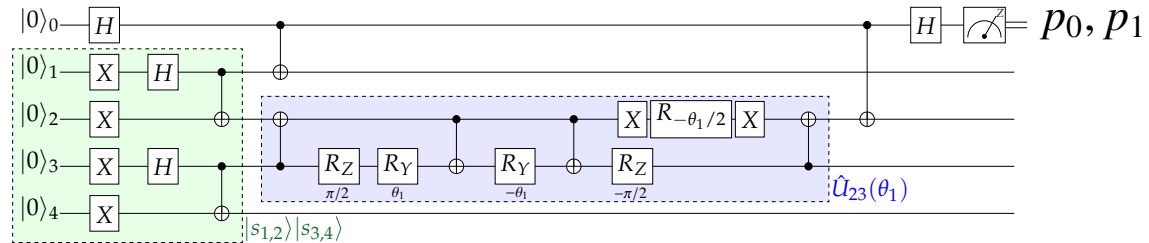
■ S=1/2 Heisenberg ring with 4 sites

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Quantum circuit for evaluating the spin correlation function $\text{Re}\langle\Psi_0|\hat{X}_1\hat{X}_2|\Psi_0\rangle$



Exact $E_0/J = -2$

$p_0 - p_1 = \text{Re}\langle\Psi_0|\hat{X}_1\hat{X}_2|\Psi_0\rangle$

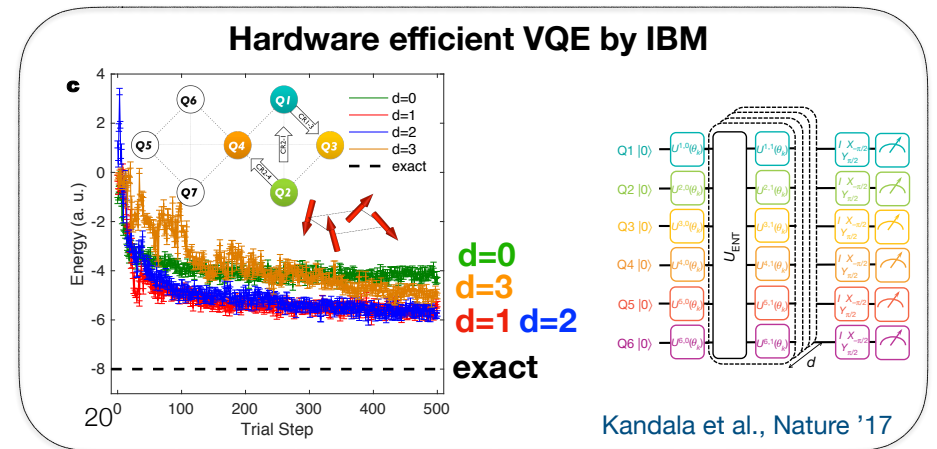
Estimated $E_0/J = -2.00682(1647)$.

Exact energy is obtained within the statistical error !!

Sample	p_0 (%)	p_1 (%)	$\text{Re}\langle\Psi_0 \hat{X}_1\hat{X}_2 \Psi_0\rangle$
1	15.430	84.570	-0.69140
2	17.969	82.031	-0.64062
3	15.625	84.375	-0.68750
4	16.309	83.691	-0.67382
5	16.016	83.984	-0.67968
6	15.430	84.570	-0.69140
7	17.578	82.422	-0.64844
8	18.457	81.543	-0.63086
9	17.090	82.910	-0.65820
10	17.969	82.031	-0.64062
11	16.602	83.398	-0.66796
12	17.090	82.910	-0.65820
13	16.992	83.008	-0.66016
14	15.527	84.473	-0.68946
15	16.113	83.887	-0.67774
16	14.648	85.352	-0.70704
Mean	16.553(274)	83.447(274)	-0.66894(549)
Ideal	16.667	83.333	-0.66667

data taken on April 6, 2020 (EST)

vs.



Kandala et al., Nature '17

Quantum circuit ansatz based on quantum adiabatic process

- Quantum approximate optimization algorithm (QAOA)
- A guiding principle of designing a quantum circuit ansatz

■ T. Shirakawa, K. Seki & S. Yunoki, Phys. Rev. Research **3**, 013004/1-32 ('21).

Discretized quantum adiabatic process

■ quantum adiabatic process

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}(\tau) = s_i(\tau)\hat{\mathcal{H}}_i + s_f(\tau)\hat{\mathcal{H}}_f$$

where scheduling functions satisfy

$$s_i(\tau_i) = s_f(\tau_f) = 1$$

$$s_i(\tau_f) = s_f(\tau_i) = 0$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}(\tau_i) = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_i, \hat{\mathcal{H}}(\tau_f) = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_f$$

The final state $|\psi(\tau_f)\rangle$ at $\tau = \tau_f$ is

$$|\psi(\tau_f)\rangle = \hat{\mathcal{U}}(\tau_f, \tau_i) |\psi_i\rangle$$

where $|\psi_i\rangle$ is the ground state of $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_i$ and

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}(\tau_f, \tau_i) = T_{\tau} e^{-i \int_{\tau_i}^{\tau_f} \hat{\mathcal{H}}(\tau) d\tau}$$

The final state $|\psi(\tau_f)\rangle$ is the ground state of $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_f$, provided $T = \tau_f - \tau_i$ is large.

■ discretized quantum adiabatic process

Let us assume $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_f = \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1 + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2$, where $[\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1, \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2] \neq 0$, and $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_i = \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1$

The time-evolution operator is

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}(\tau_f, \tau_i) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\theta_M) \hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\theta_{M-1}) \cdots \hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\theta_1)$$

where

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\theta_m) = e^{-i\theta_1^{(m)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1} e^{-i\theta_2^{(m)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \theta_1^{(m)} &= [s_i(\tau_m) + s_f(\tau_m)]\delta\tau \\ \theta_2^{(m)} &= s_f(\tau_m)\delta\tau \end{aligned} \right\} : \text{linear scheduling}$$

with

$$\delta\tau = (\tau_f - \tau_i)/M$$

$$\tau_m = \tau_i + m\delta\tau$$

■ Set M to be finite

■ **Consider $\{\theta_1^{(m)}, \theta_2^{(m)}\}$ as variational parameters**

Quantum circuit inspired by quantum adiabatic process

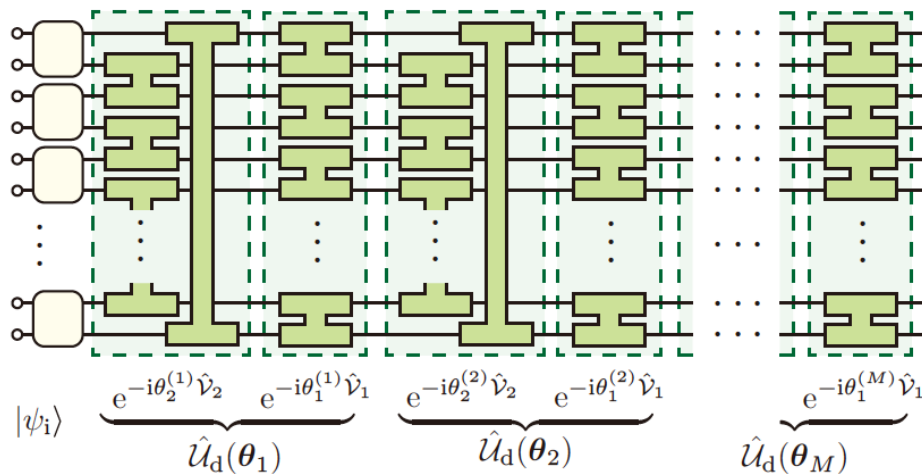
Discretized quantum adiabatic process (DQAP) ansatz

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1 + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2 (= \hat{\mathcal{H}}_f), \text{ where } [\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1, \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2] \neq 0, \quad \text{ground state of } \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1 (= \hat{\mathcal{H}}_i)$$

$$|\psi_M(\{\theta_p^{(m)}\})\rangle = \hat{U}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_M) \hat{U}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{M-1}) \cdots \hat{U}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) |\psi_i\rangle$$

where

$$\hat{U}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_m) = e^{-i\theta_1^{(m)} \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1} e^{-i\theta_2^{(m)} \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2} \quad \text{determine } \{\theta_1^{(m)}, \theta_2^{(m)}\} \text{ so as to minimize the variational energy}$$



> (almost) No ambiguity in circuit structure

> QAOA for a quantum state preparation

Ho & Hsieh, SciPost Phys. **6**, 29 ('19).

Mbeng, Fazio & Santoro, arXiv:1906.08948.

Mbeng, Fazio & Santoro, arXiv:1911.12259.

Wauters, Mbeng & Santoro, arXiv:2003.07419.

> Digitized adiabatic quantum commuting

R. Barends, et.al., Nat. Commun. **6**, 7654 ('15).

R. Barends, et.al., Nature **534**, 222 ('16).

- In quantum approximate optimization algorithm (QAOA) for combinatorial optimization problems, $\hat{\mathcal{H}}$ is a classical Ising model (Farhi et al., arXiv:1411.4028).

DQAP ansatz for 1D free fermions

1D spinless free fermions with L sites at half filling

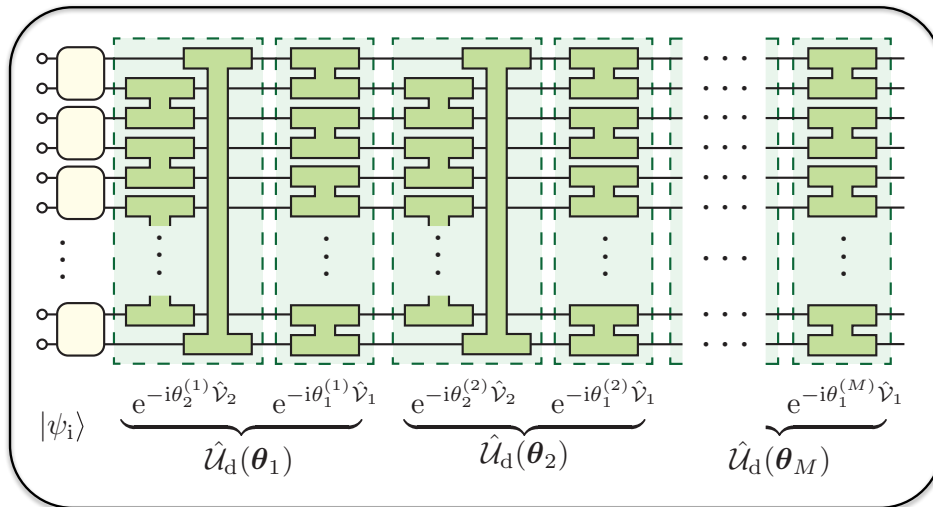
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$$\mathcal{H} = -t \sum_{x=1}^{L-1} (\hat{c}_{x+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_x + \hat{c}_x^\dagger \hat{c}_{x+1}) - t\gamma(\hat{c}_1^\dagger \hat{c}_L + \hat{c}_L^\dagger \hat{c}_1) = \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1 + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2$$

“even” bond: $\mathcal{V}_1 = -t \sum_{x=1}^{L/2} (\hat{c}_{2x}^\dagger \hat{c}_{2x-1} + \hat{c}_{2x-1}^\dagger \hat{c}_{2x})$

$$\gamma = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{periodic} \\ -1 & \text{anti-periodic} \end{cases}$$

“odd” bond: $\mathcal{V}_2 = -t \sum_{x=1}^{L/2-1} (\hat{c}_{2x+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_{2x} + \hat{c}_{2x}^\dagger \hat{c}_{2x+1}) - \gamma t(\hat{c}_1^\dagger \hat{c}_L + \hat{c}_L^\dagger \hat{c}_1)$



$$|\psi_M(\boldsymbol{\theta})\rangle = \hat{\mathcal{U}}_M(\boldsymbol{\theta}) |\psi_i\rangle$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}_M(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_M) \hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{M-1}) \cdots \hat{\mathcal{U}}_d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1)$$

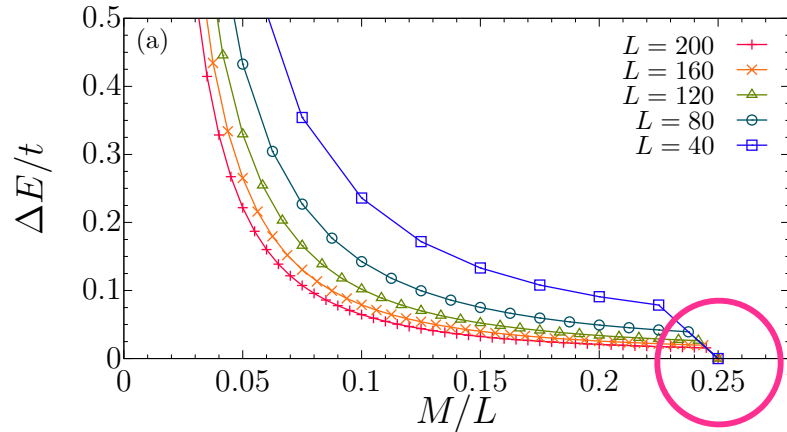
$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m\}_{m=1}^M$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}_m = \{\theta_1^{(m)}, \theta_2^{(m)}\}$$

→ variational parameters

Ground state energy

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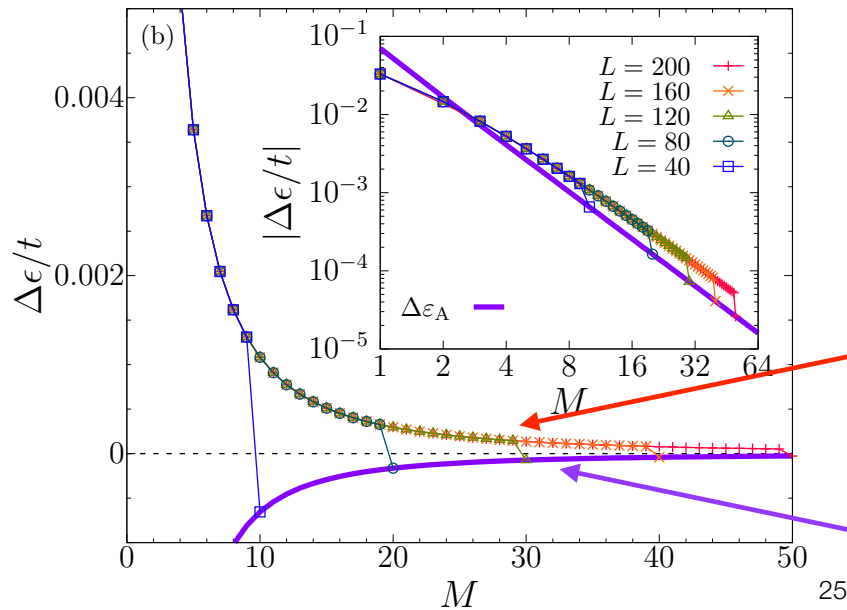
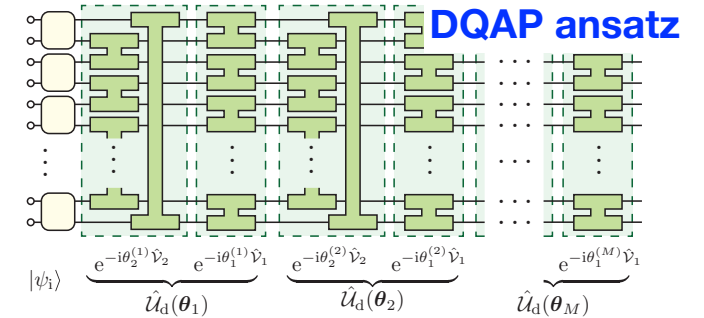


$$\Delta E = E(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - E_{\text{exact}}(L)$$

$$E(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \langle \psi_M(\boldsymbol{\theta}) | \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \psi_M(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \rangle$$

$E_{\text{exact}}(L)$: exact ground state energy for system size L

exact ground state at $M=L/4$



$$\Delta \varepsilon = E(\boldsymbol{\theta})/L - \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} E_{\text{exact}}(L)/L$$

states $|\psi_M(\boldsymbol{\theta})\rangle$ with $M < L/4$ are independent of system size L

purple line: $E_{\text{exact}}(L)/L - \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} E_{\text{exact}}/L$ with $M = L/4$

Causality cone and Lieb-Robinson bound

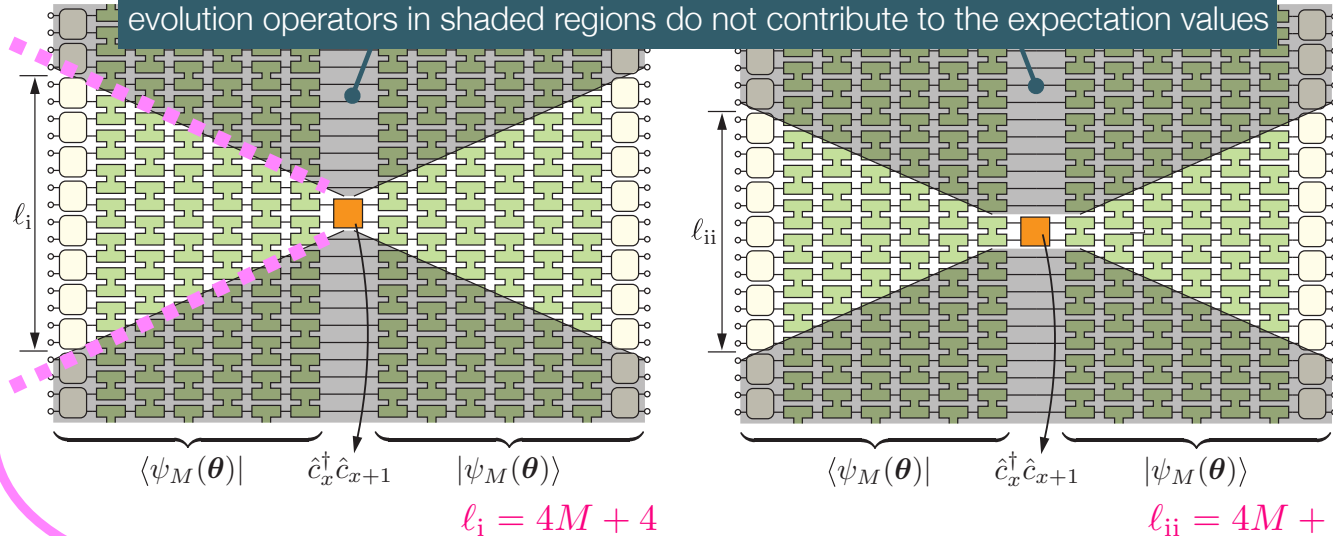
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$$E(\theta) = \langle \psi_M(\theta) | \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \psi_M(\theta) \rangle$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{k=1}^{L/2} (\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1^{(k)} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2^{(k)})$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1^{(k)} = -t \left(\hat{c}_{2k}^\dagger \hat{c}_{2k-1} + \text{h.c.} \right) \quad \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2^{(k)} = -t \left(\hat{c}_{2k+1}^\dagger \hat{c}_{2k} + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

Due to the unitarity of the local time-evolution operators, these **local** time-evolution operators in shaded regions do not contribute to the expectation values



causality cone set by Lieb-Robinson bound

$M=L/4$ corresponds to the point where the causality-cone exceeds the system size L .

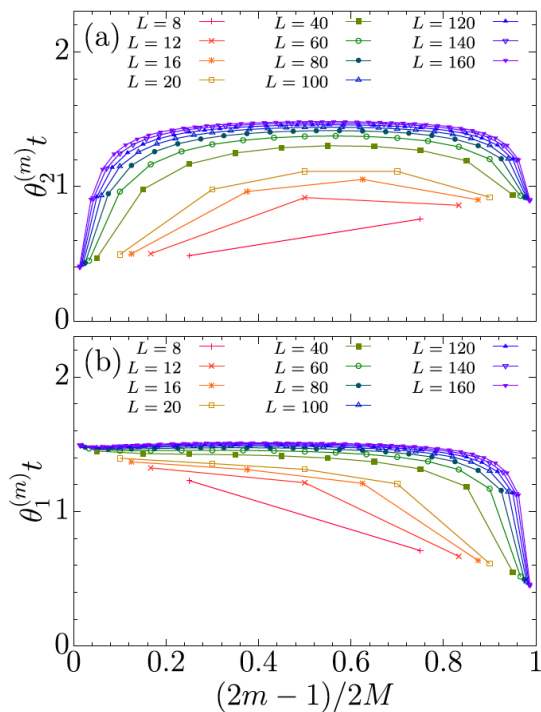


The DQAP ansatz can provide the circuit with the minimum number of layers ($M=L/4$) to describe the exact ground state

Total time necessarily to reach the exact GS

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■ optimized variational parameters for $M=L/4$ (exact solution)

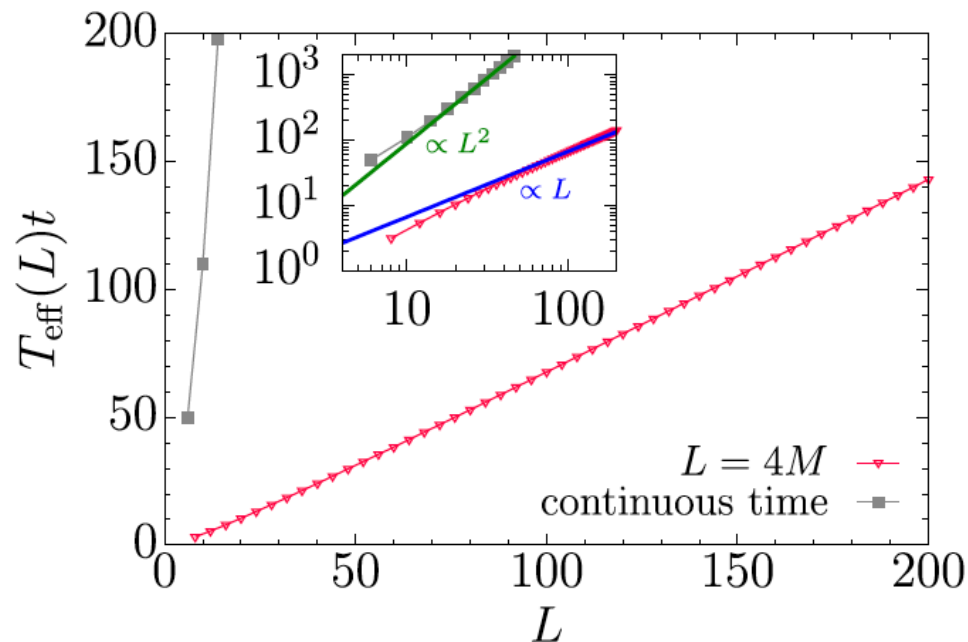


Effective total evolution time:

$$T_{\text{eff}}(L) = \sum_{m=1}^M (\theta_1^{(m)} + \theta_2^{(m)})$$

■ Total evolution time: continuous time QAP vs. discretized QAP

1D free spineless fermions: minimum gap $\sim 1/L$. The adiabatic theorem thus tells us that the evolution time necessary to obtain the exact GS is $\sim L^2$.



Polynomial speedup over the continuous time quantum adiabatic calculation

Imaginary-time evolution

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$$|\psi_M(\boldsymbol{\theta})\rangle = e^{-i\theta_1^{(M)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1} e^{-i\theta_2^{(M)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2} \dots e^{-i\theta_1^{(1)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1} e^{-i\theta_2^{(1)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2} |\psi_i\rangle$$

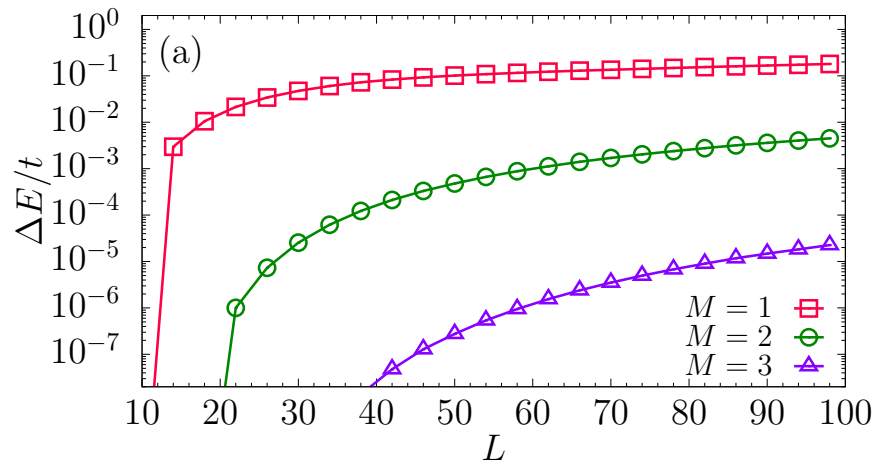
$\{\theta_1^{(m)}, \theta_2^{(m)}\}_{m=1}^M$: variational parameters

$$\longrightarrow |\phi_M(\boldsymbol{\tau})\rangle = e^{-\tau_1^{(M)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1} e^{-\tau_2^{(M)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2} \dots e^{-\tau_1^{(1)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_1} e^{-\tau_2^{(1)}\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2} |\psi_i\rangle$$

$\{\tau_1^{(m)}, \tau_2^{(m)}\}_{m=1}^M$: variational parameters

$$E(\boldsymbol{\tau}) = \langle \phi_M(\boldsymbol{\tau}) | \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \phi_M(\boldsymbol{\tau}) \rangle$$

$$\Delta E = E(\boldsymbol{\tau}) - E_{\text{exact}}(L)$$



**exponentially fast
convergence with M**

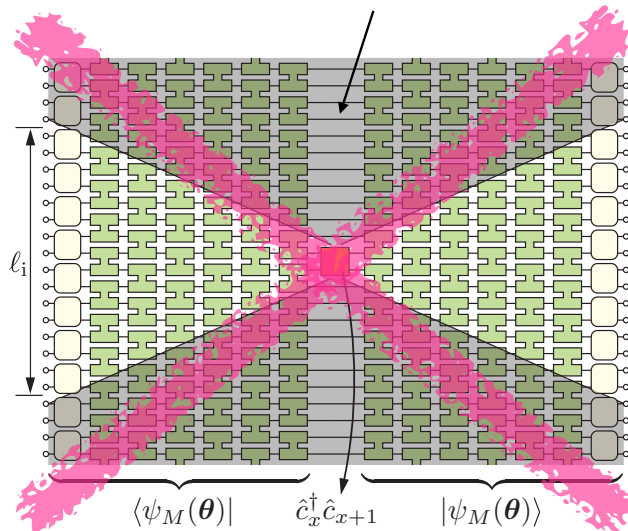
Only $M=3$ layers are enough for
the ground state with $L \leq 100$

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no cancellation of the imaginary time evolution operators



**Non-locality due to the non-unitarity
imaginary-time evolution**

There is **no causality cone** and **no Lieb-Robinson bound** because of the **non-unitary** of the local imaginary-time evolution operators

How can we implement the **non-unitary** imaginary-time evolution and the **unnormalized** state $|\phi_M(\tau)\rangle$?

Quantum power method

- Imaginary time evolution (e.g., QMC): $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\beta \hat{H}} |\phi_0\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi_{\text{GS}}\rangle$
- Power method: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda - \hat{H})^n |\phi_0\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi_{\text{GS}}\rangle$

■ K. Seki & S. Yunoki, PRX Quantum **2**, 010333/1-45 ('21).

Matrix power

$$|\psi\rangle \quad \hat{H}|\psi\rangle \quad \hat{H}^2|\psi\rangle \quad \dots \quad \hat{H}^n|\psi\rangle$$

In classical computation of quantum many (N)-body systems,

matrix powers have various applications such as

- Krylov-subspace methods (e.g., Lanczos)
- Polynomial expansion methods (e.g., Chebyshev)
- Moment and cumulant methods (e.g., high-temperature expansion)

the dimension of vectors increases exponentially in N

Quantum evaluation of $\langle H^n \rangle$?

$$\langle \psi | \hat{H}^n | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \left(\sum_i h_i \hat{P}_i \right)^n | \psi \rangle$$

of measurements increases exponentially in n or 4^N

Direct treatment of H^n ?

H^n is not unitary !!

Our strategy:
Approximate H^n by a linear combination of unitaries

Approximated Hamiltonian power

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Main idea

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^n = i^n \left. \frac{d^n \hat{U}(t)}{dt^n} \right|_{t=0} \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{U}(t) = e^{-i\hat{\mathcal{H}}t}$$

in a time-discretized form, e.g.,

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^1 \approx \frac{i}{\Delta\tau} \left[\hat{U}\left(\frac{\Delta\tau}{2}\right) - \hat{U}\left(-\frac{\Delta\tau}{2}\right) \right]$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^2 \approx \frac{i^2}{\Delta\tau^2} \left[\left[\hat{U}\left(\frac{\Delta\tau}{2}\right) \right]^2 - 2\hat{I} + \left[\hat{U}\left(-\frac{\Delta\tau}{2}\right) \right]^2 \right]$$

⋮

\mathcal{H}^n is approximated by a linear combination of (n+1) unitaries

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$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^n = i^n \left. \frac{d^n \hat{U}(t)}{dt^n} \right|_{t=0} \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{U}(t) = e^{-i\hat{\mathcal{H}}t}$$

central finite difference approximation

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^n = \hat{\mathcal{H}}^n(\Delta\tau) + O(\Delta\tau^2) \quad \text{where}$$

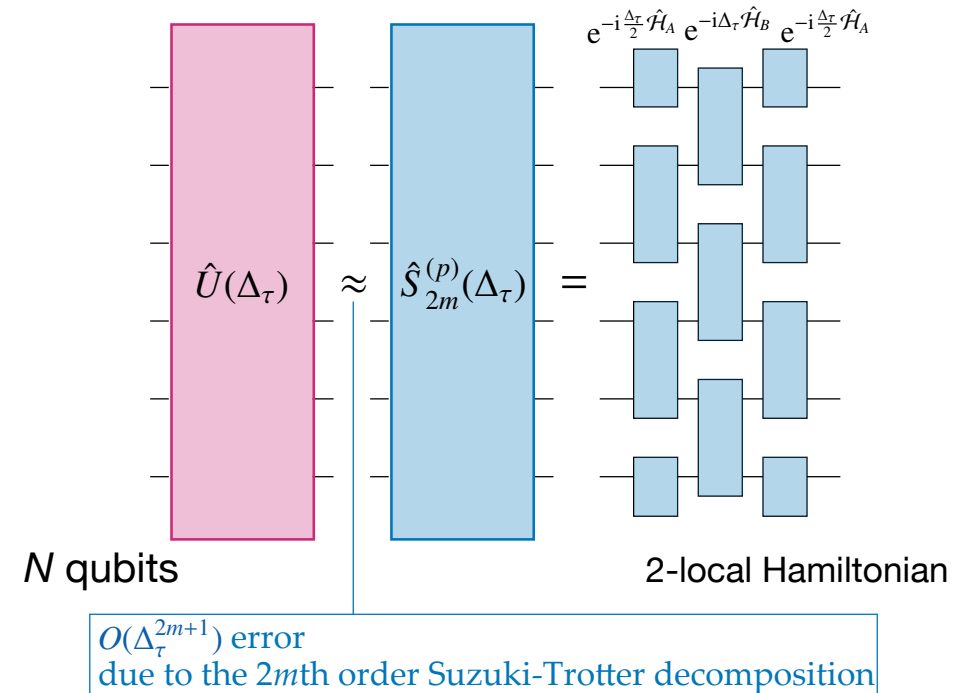
$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^n(\Delta\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_{n,k} \left[\hat{U}\left(\frac{\Delta\tau}{2}\right) \right]^{n-2k} \quad c_{n,k} = \frac{i^n}{\Delta\tau^n} (-1)^k \binom{n}{k}$$

Symmetric Suzuki-Trotter approximation

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^n = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{ST}}^n(\Delta\tau) + O(\Delta\tau^2) + O(\Delta\tau^{2m}) \quad \text{where}$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{ST}}^n(\Delta\tau) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_{n,k} \left[\hat{\mathcal{S}}_{2m}^{(p)}\left(\frac{\Delta\tau}{2}\right) \right]^{n-2k}$$

H^n is approximated by a sum of $(n+1)$ unitaries

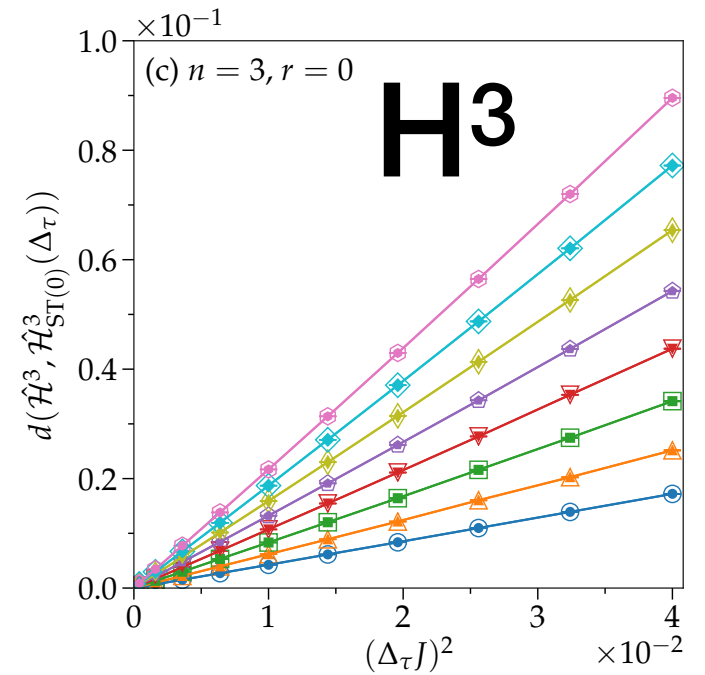
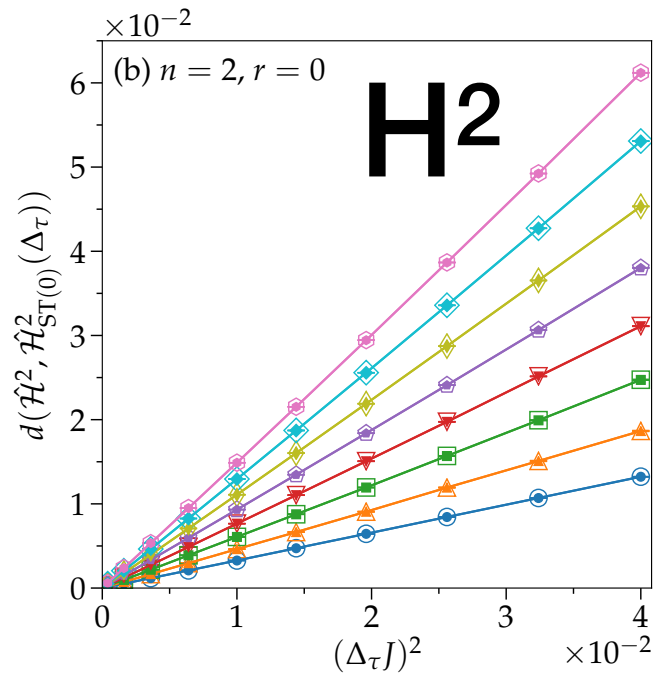
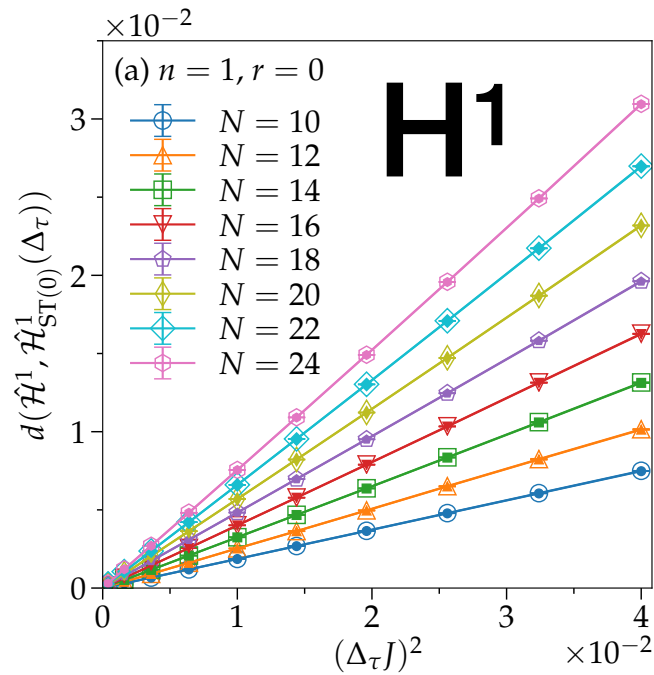


number of the gates: k -local Hamiltonian
 $\sim O(knN)$ for spin models
 $\sim O(knN \log N)$ for fermionic models

Time-discretization error in approximated H^n

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H: 1D S=1/2 Heisenberg model



operator distance

$$d(\hat{A}, \hat{B}) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{|\langle \hat{A}, \hat{B} \rangle_{\text{F}}|}{\|\hat{A}\|_{\text{F}} \|\hat{B}\|_{\text{F}}}}$$

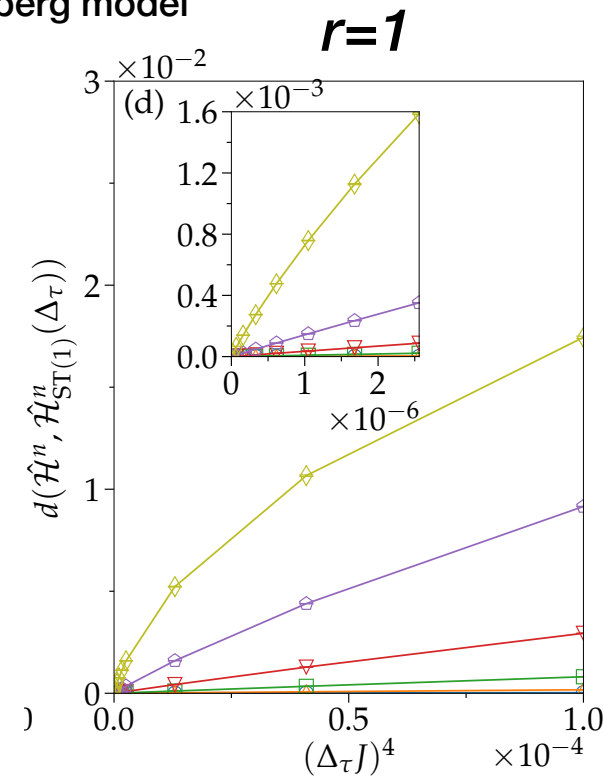
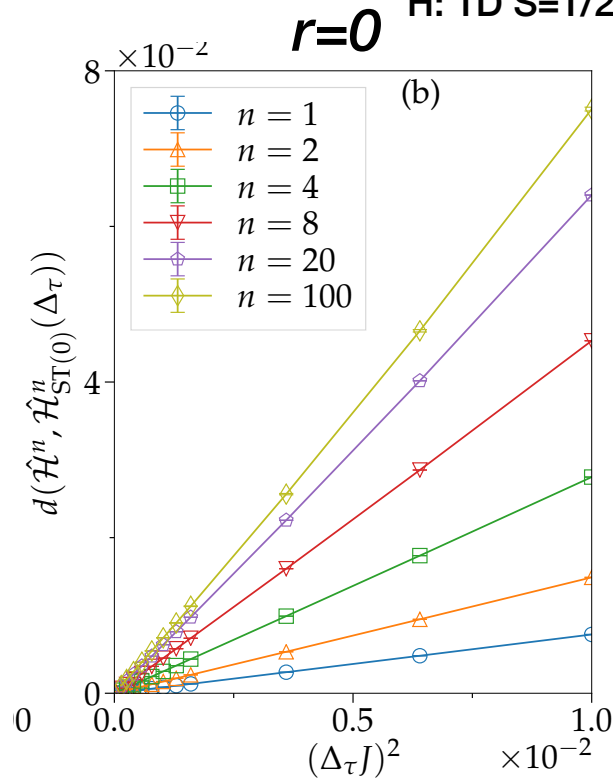
Time-discretization error is well controlled

Time-discretization error in approximated H^n

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$N=24$ fixed

H: 1D S=1/2 Heisenberg model



$$d(\hat{A}, \hat{B}) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{|\langle \hat{A}, \hat{B} \rangle_F|}{\|\hat{A}\|_F \|\hat{B}\|_F}}$$

Error is well controlled even for quite large power ($n=100$)

Application: Krylov-subspace diagonalization

Rayleigh-Ritz technique

Approximate the ground state of H within a subspace $\mathcal{U}_n = \text{span}(|u_1\rangle, |u_2\rangle, \dots, |u_n\rangle)$

$$|\Psi_0\rangle \approx \sum_{i=1}^n v_i |u_i\rangle$$

where v_i can be obtained by solving the generalized eigenvalue equation

$$H\mathbf{v} = S\mathbf{v}\epsilon \quad [H]_{ij} = \langle u_i | \hat{\mathcal{H}} | u_j \rangle \quad [S]_{ij} = \langle u_i | u_j \rangle$$

A relevant choice of the subspace: Krylov subspace

Choose \mathcal{U}_n as a Krylov subspace $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{K}_n(\hat{H}, |\psi\rangle) = \text{span}(|\psi\rangle, \hat{H}|\psi\rangle, \dots, \hat{H}^{n-1}|\psi\rangle)$ reference state(s)

Then we have

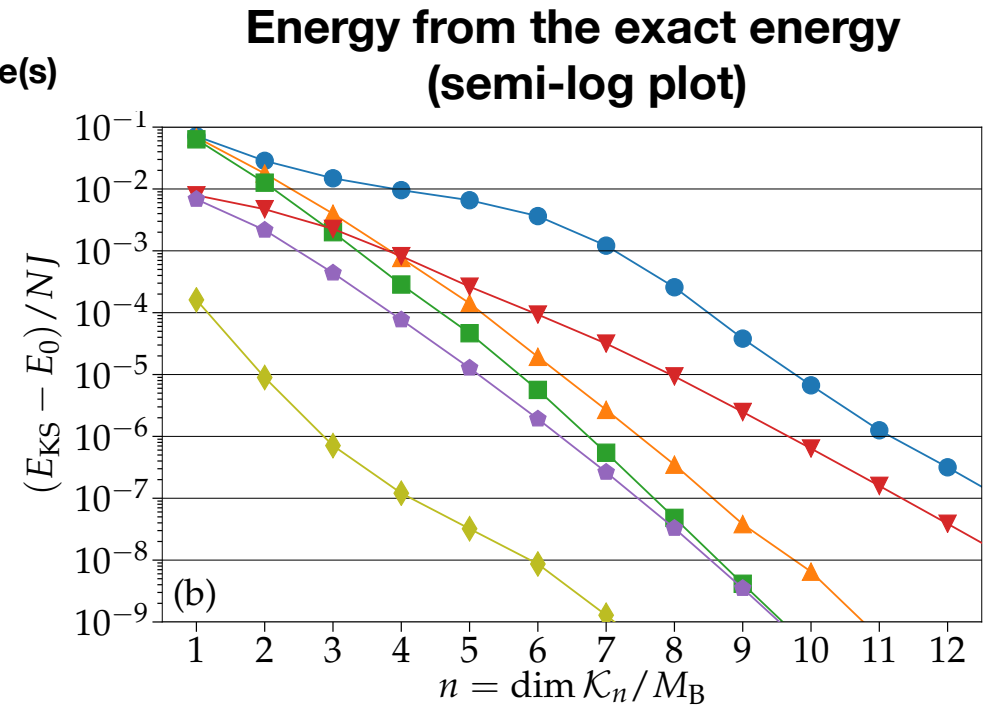
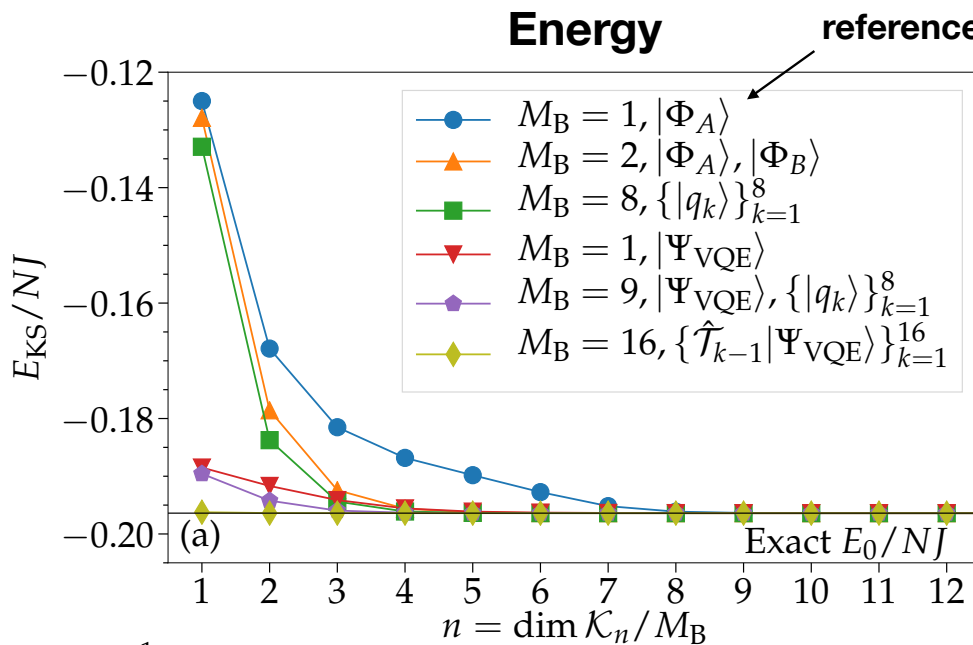
$$H\mathbf{v} = S\mathbf{v}\epsilon \quad [H]_{ij} = \langle \psi | \hat{\mathcal{H}}^{i+j-1} | \psi \rangle \quad [S]_{ij} = \langle \psi | \hat{\mathcal{H}}^{i+j-2} | \psi \rangle$$

quantum-power method

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1D S=1/2 Heisenberg model (L=16 and $\Delta\tau J=0.05$ with Richardson extrapolation)



Krylov subspace: $\mathcal{U}_n = \mathcal{K}_n(\hat{H}, |\psi\rangle) = \text{span}(|\psi\rangle, \hat{H}|\psi\rangle, \dots, \hat{H}^{n-1}|\psi\rangle)$

Energy converges exponentially in n

Use of multiple initial (reference) states helps the better convergence

Summary

- Quantum-classical hybrid scheme is a promising approach for simulating quantum many-body systems in NISQ devices
- We want to go beyond a quantum variational approach
 - parameter optimization in a classical computer
 - no knowledge of a quantum circuit structure
- Symmetry-adapted VQE scheme
 - non-unitarity treated as post-processing in a classical computer
 - shallow circuit with less number of gates
- Circuit construction based on discretized quantum adiabatic process
 - no prior knowledge required for a better circuit
 - requires variational parameter optimization
- Quantum power method
 - no variational parameters & no prior knowledge for a better circuit