

# Accurate State Preparation on Noisy Quantum Devices



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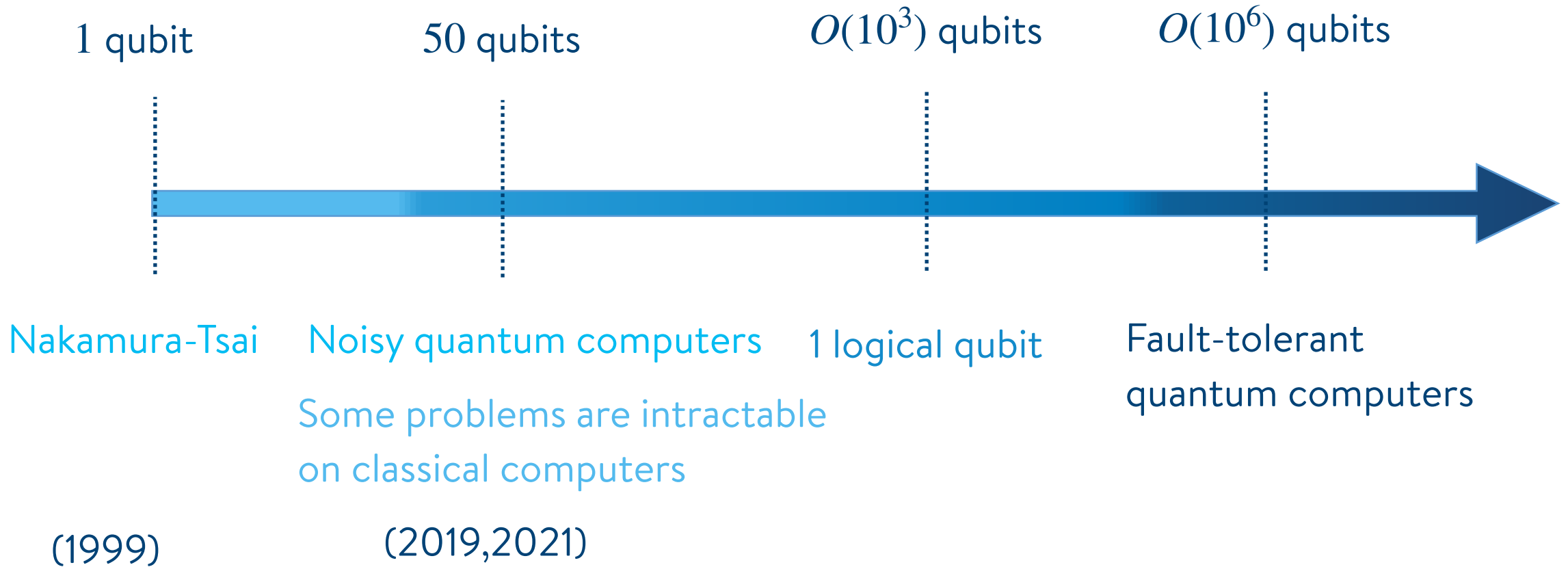
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Variationally Scheduled Quantum Simulation [Phys. Rev. A 103, 052435 (2021)] SM/Buck/Senicourt/Zaribafiyani

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SM/Yamazaki/Senicourt/Huntington/Zarifbafiyani

# Quantum Computing



# Quantum State Preparation

## Quantum chemistry

Ground state / excited state energies

Chemical reaction rates, reaction pathway, response to external fields, etc.

## Quantum physics

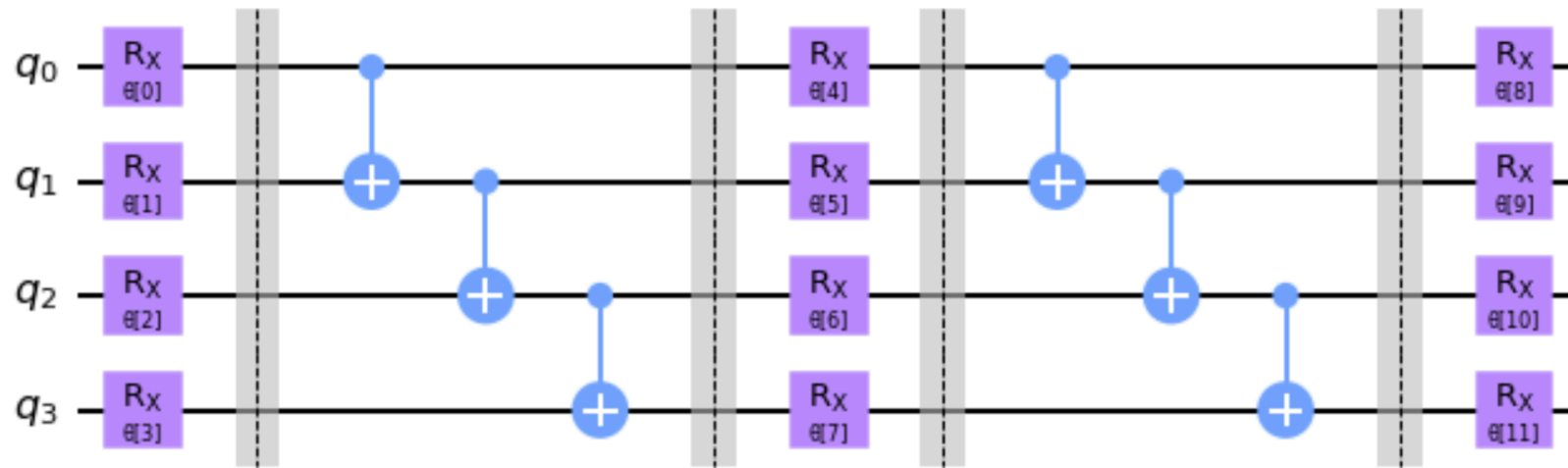
Spontaneous symmetry breaking

Topological phases

## Optimization

Scheduling, finance,  
machine learning

# Variational Quantum Eigensolver



Parametrized circuit:  $U(\theta_i)$

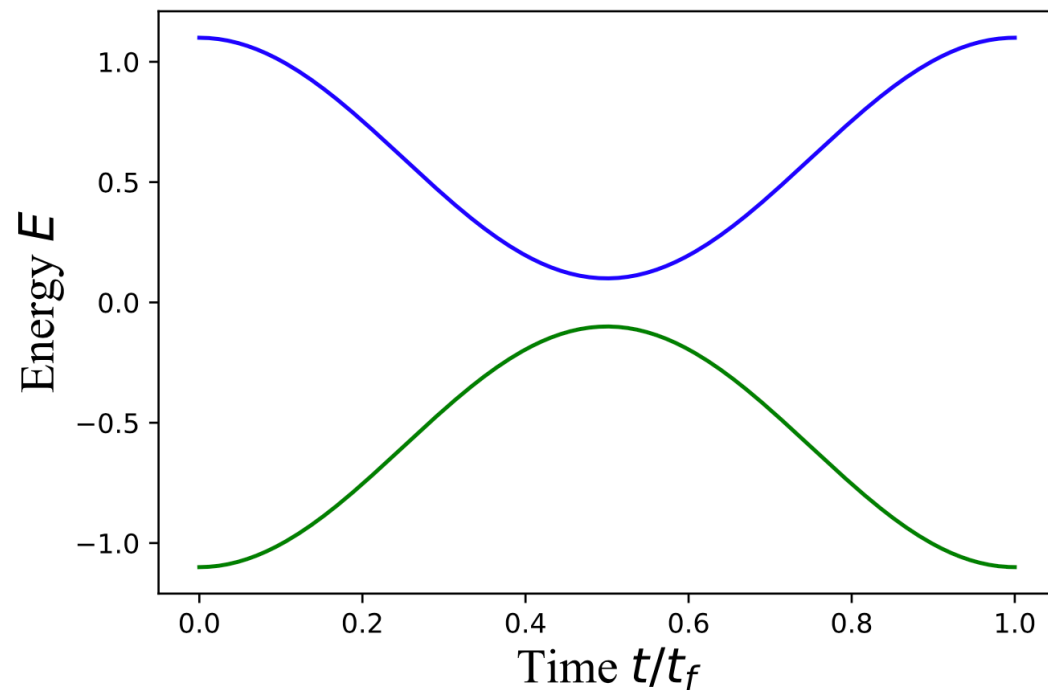
Ansatz  $|\psi(\theta_i)\rangle = U(\theta_i) |0\rangle$

Minimize  $E(\theta_i) = \langle \psi(\theta_i) | H | \psi(\theta_i) \rangle$

# Adiabatic State Preparation

Quantum annealing for Ising models:

$$H = - (1 - t/t_f) \sum_i X_i + (t/t_f) \sum_{ij} h_{ij} Z_i Z_j$$



Transition probability

$$p \sim \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}(\Delta E)^2 \cdot t_f\right)$$

Evolution time

$$t_f \gg \frac{1}{(\Delta E)^2}$$

# Energy Gap Amplification

- Non-stoquastic Hamiltonian

For instance: Farhi/Goldstone/Gutmann 2002, Seki/Nishimori 2012, Crosson/Farhi/Lin/Lin/Shor 2014

- Inhomogeneous transverse field

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- Reverse annealing

For instance: Perdomo-Ortiz/Venegas-Andraca/Aspuru-Guzik 2010, Chancellor 2017, Ohkuwa/Nishimori/Lidar 2018

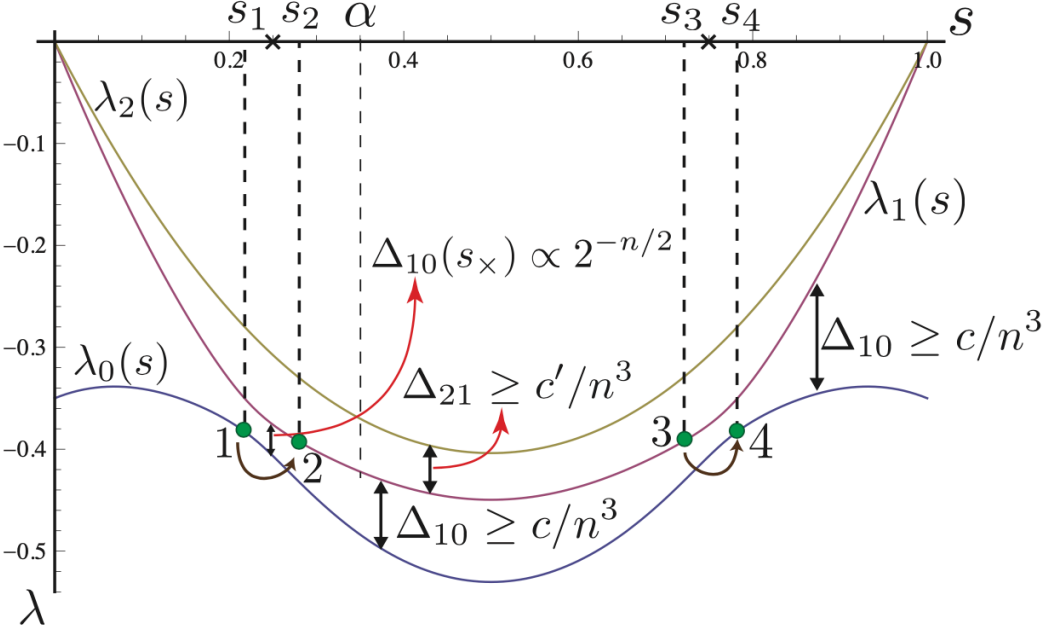
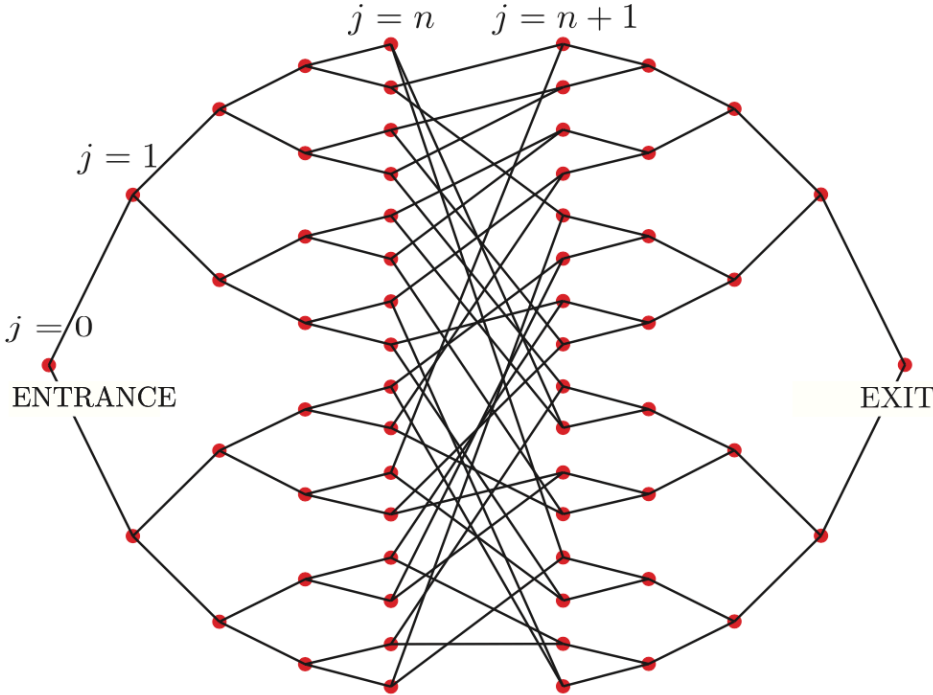
- Error suppression

For instance: Matsuura/Nishimori/Albash/Lidar 2015

- Quantum-walk

For instance: Somma/Boixo 2013

# Diabatic Transitions



Nagaj/Somma/Kieferova (2012)

# Motivation for the Project

## Long-term perspective

Gaining a better understanding of essential factors for realizing quantum speedup

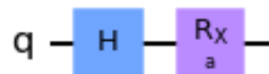
## Short-term perspective

Obtaining accurate results on noisy quantum devices

## Adiabatic state preparation on near-term quantum devices

Shallow circuit

Short computational time

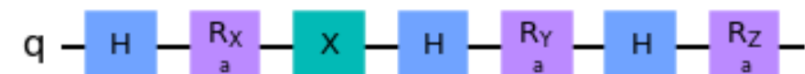


Pros: Coherent

Cons: Diabatic transitions

Deep circuit

Long computational time



Cons: Decoherent

Pros: Adiabatic process



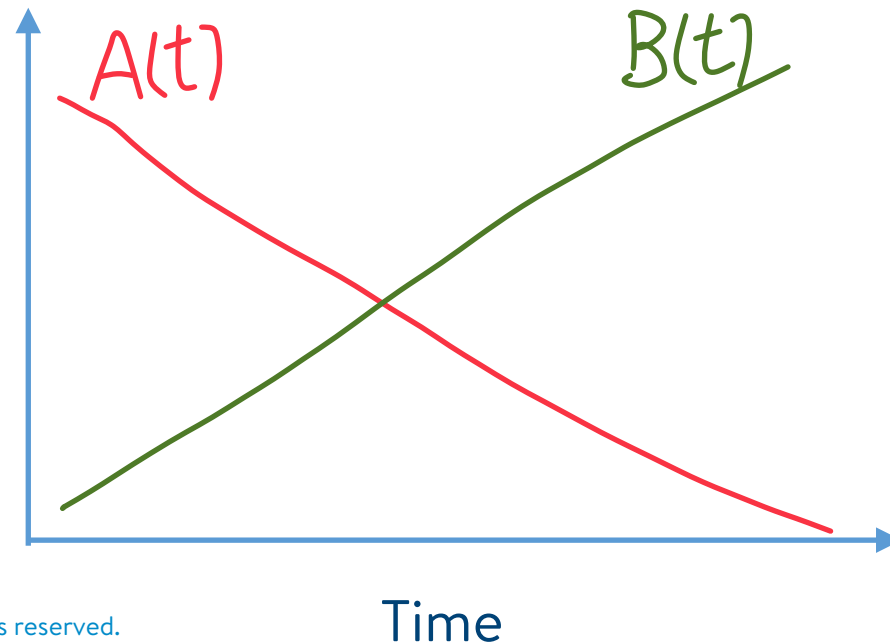
# Variational Approach in Adiabatic State Preparation

SM/Buck/Senicourt/Zaribafiyani (2020)

Initial Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{ini}}$   $\longrightarrow$  Final Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{fin}}$

$$H(t) = A(t)H_{\text{ini}} + B(t)H_{\text{fin}}$$

Standard QA



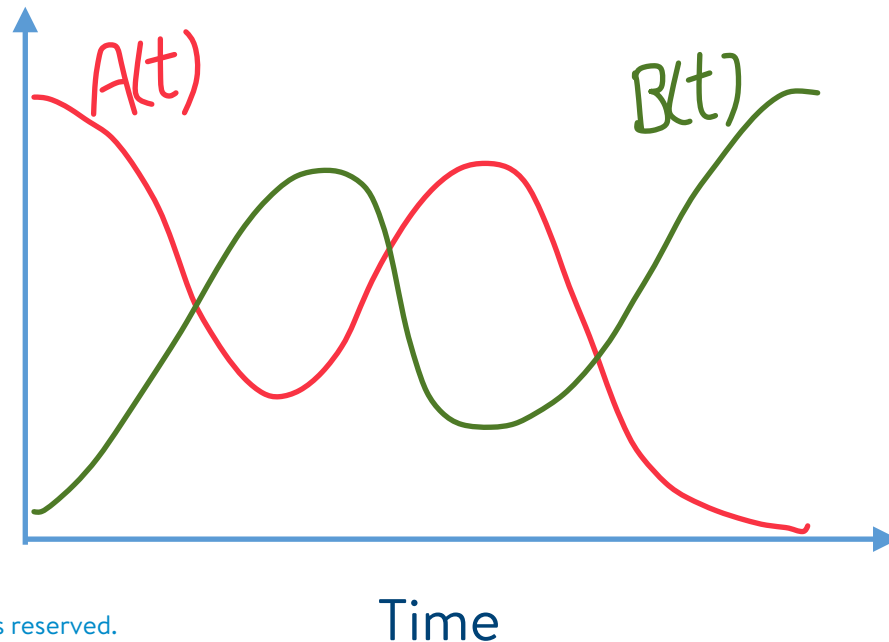
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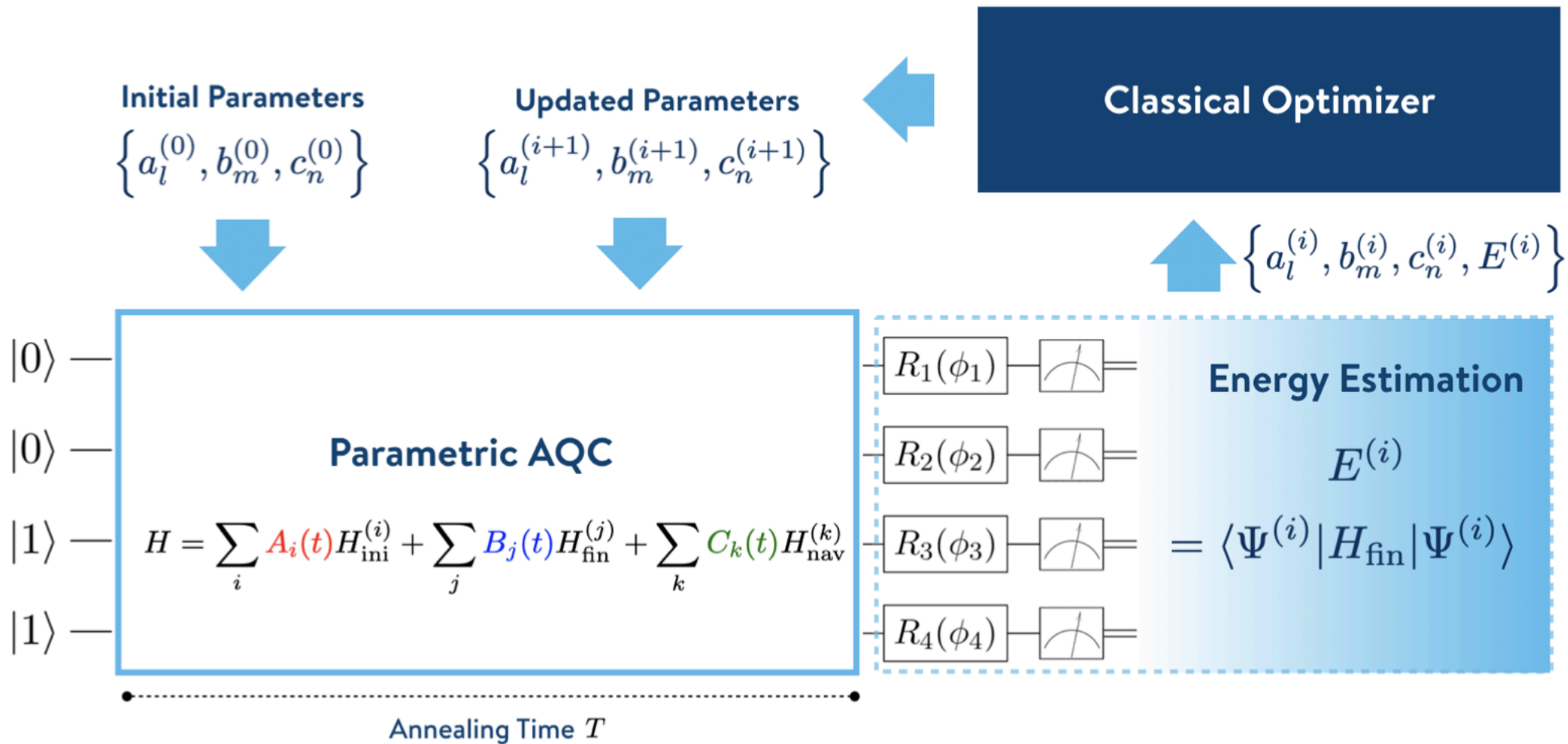
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Initial Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{ini}}$   $\longrightarrow$  Final Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{fin}}$

$$H(t) = A(t)H_{\text{ini}} + B(t)H_{\text{fin}}$$

Find the optimal schedule functions  $A(t)$  and  $B(t)$  **variationally** so that the final state is as close as possible to the ground state of  $H_{\text{fin}}$





Initial Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{ini}} = \sum_{\alpha} H_{\text{ini}}^{\alpha}$

Final Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{fin}} = \sum_{\beta} H_{\text{fin}}^{\beta}$

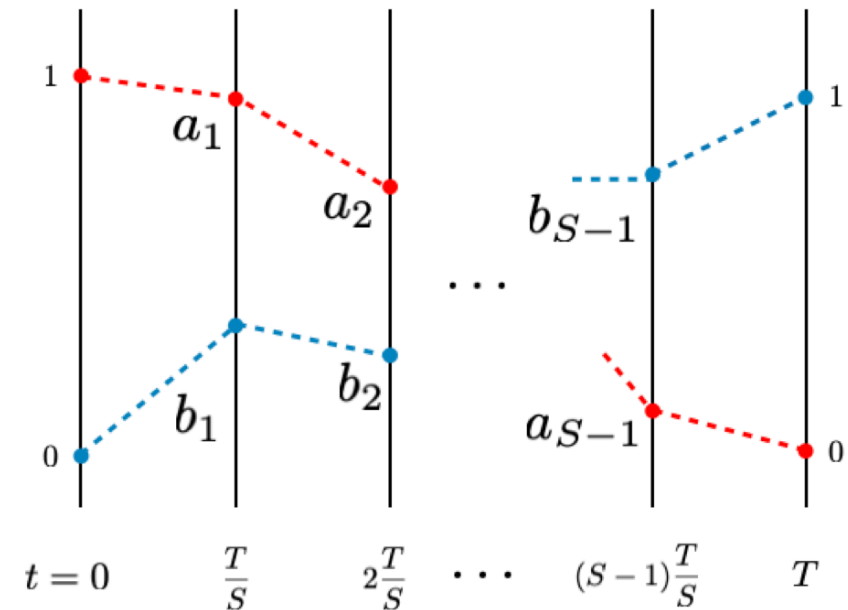
$$H = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_I} A_{\alpha}(t) H_{\text{ini}}^{\alpha} + \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_F} B_{\beta}(t) H_{\text{fin}}^{\beta}$$

Parameters:

Split terms in  $H_{\text{ini}}$  into  $N_I$  groups

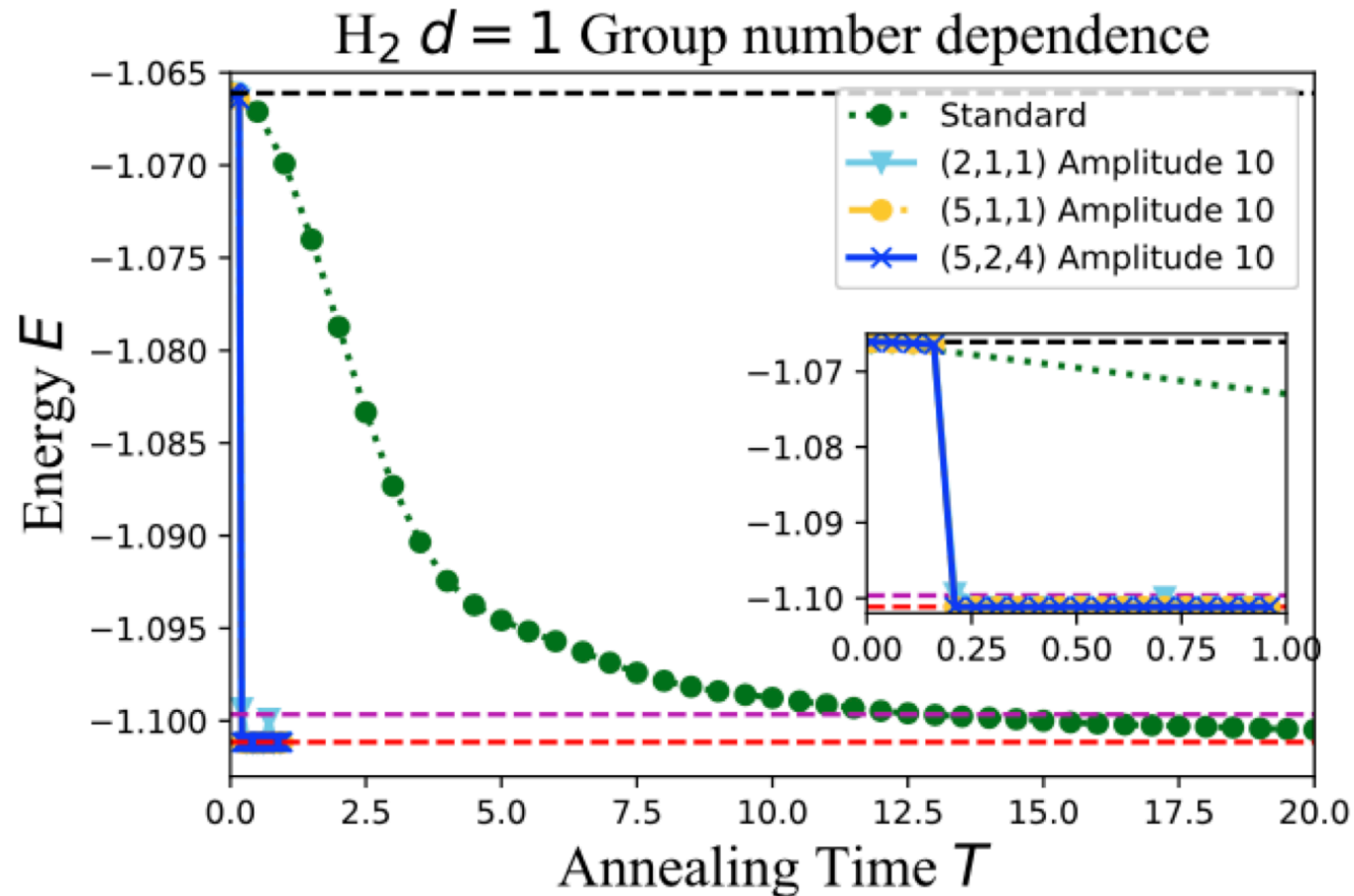
Split terms in  $H_{\text{fin}}$  into  $N_F$  groups

Split computation time  $T$  into  $N_S$  intervals

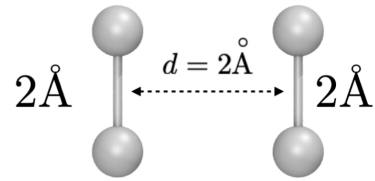


# Numerical Results

Hydrogen molecule

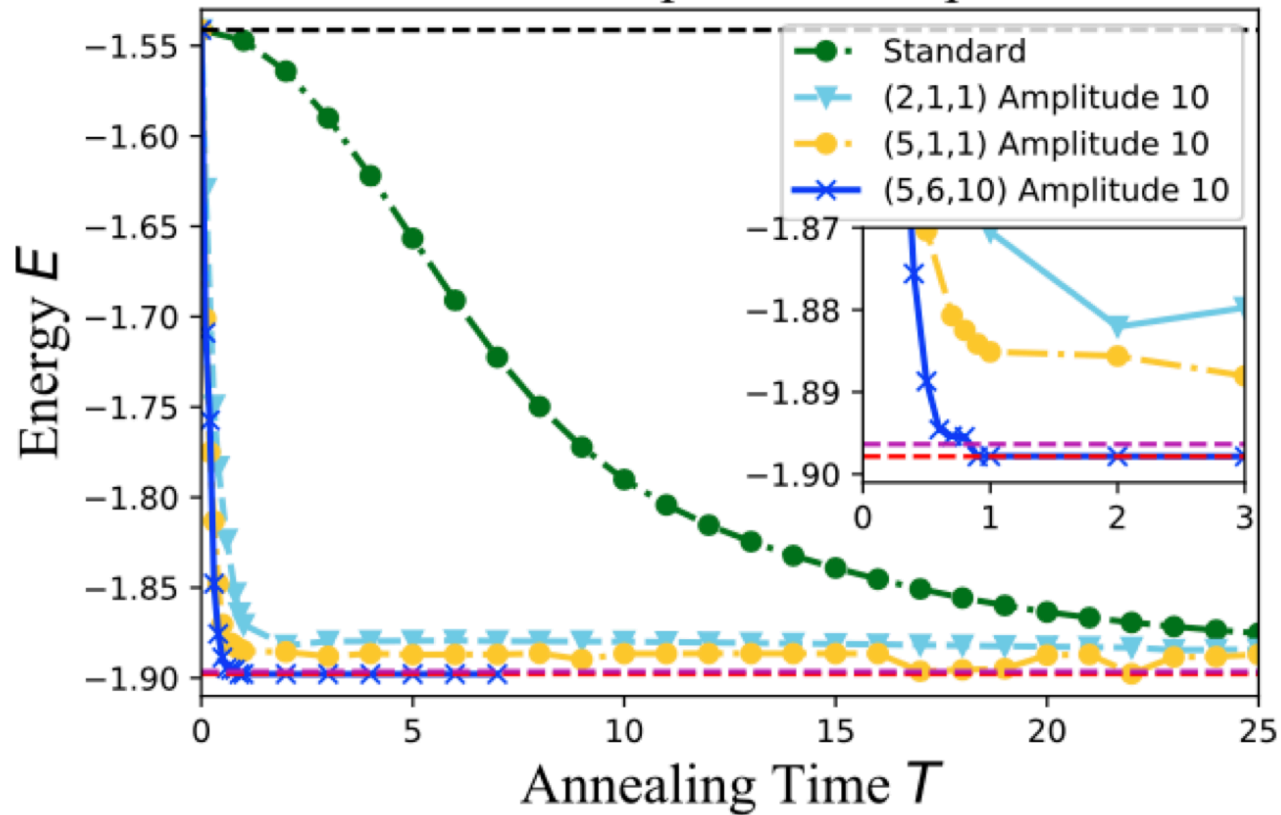


# P4: Hydrogen atoms that form a square



Difficult due to degeneracy

P4  $d = 2$  Group number dependence



Time to Chemical Accuracy

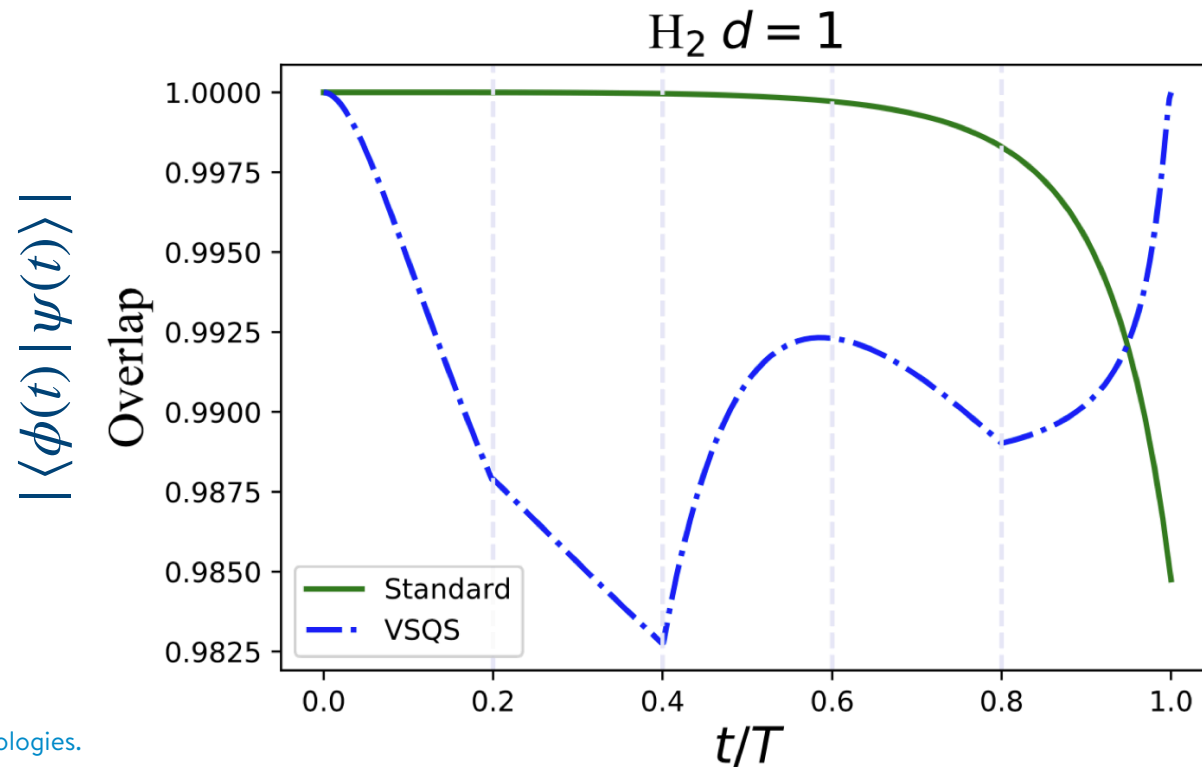
- Standard case:  $T = 456$

# Overlap with Instantaneous Ground States

How closely does the quantum state follow adiabatic evolution?

Quantum state at  $t$ :  $|\psi(t)\rangle = \mathcal{T} \exp(-i \int_{s=0}^t H(s) ds) |\psi(0)\rangle$

Instantaneous ground state:  $H(t) |\phi(t)\rangle = E_0(t) |\phi(t)\rangle$



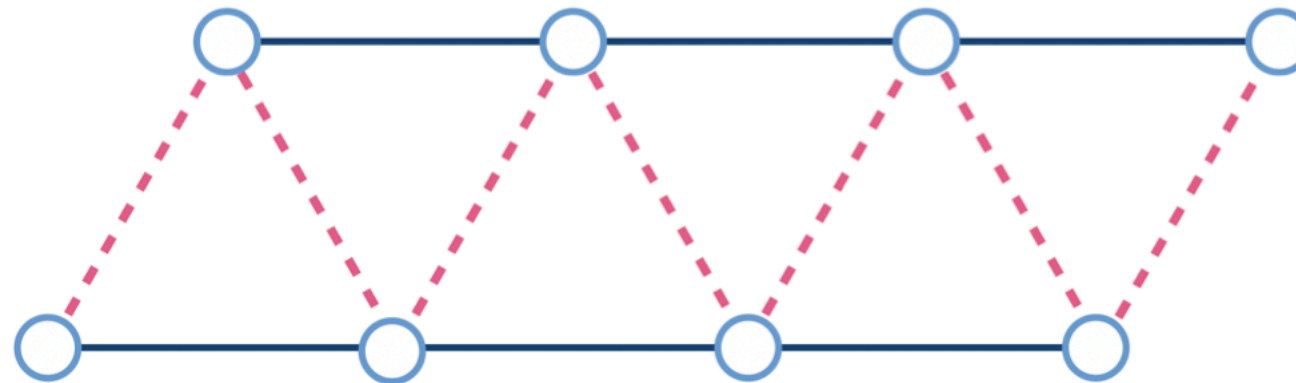
# Ising Model

Triangle lattice

Frustration

Random couplings

$$H = \sum_{ij} h_{ij} Z_i Z_j + \sum_i h_i Z_i$$

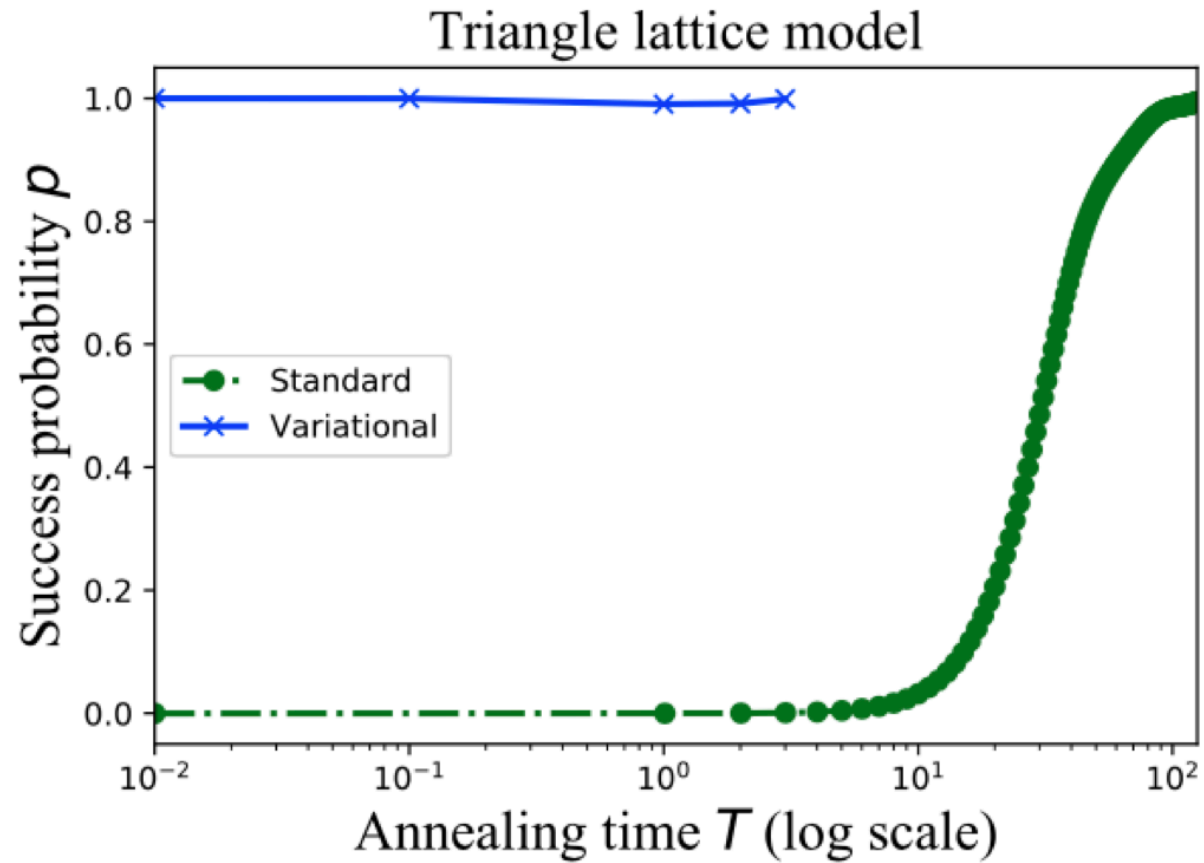


— Ferromagnetic couplings

- - - Antiferromagnetic couplings



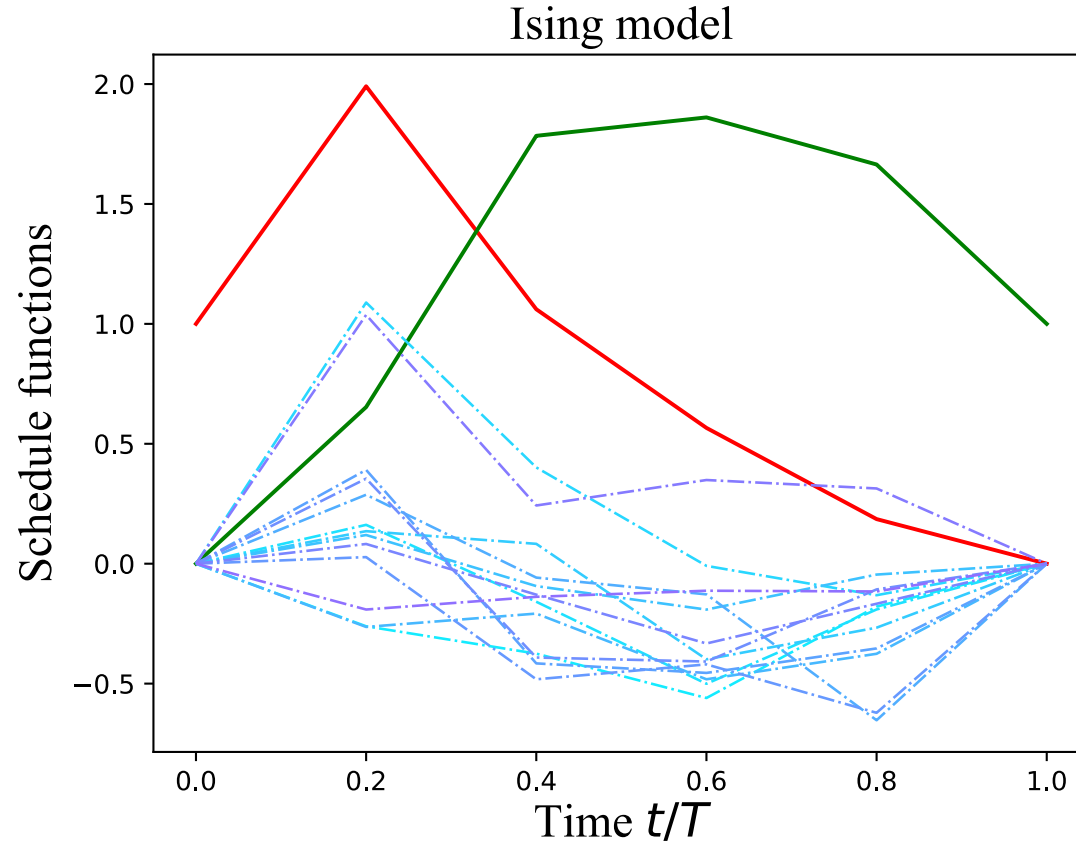
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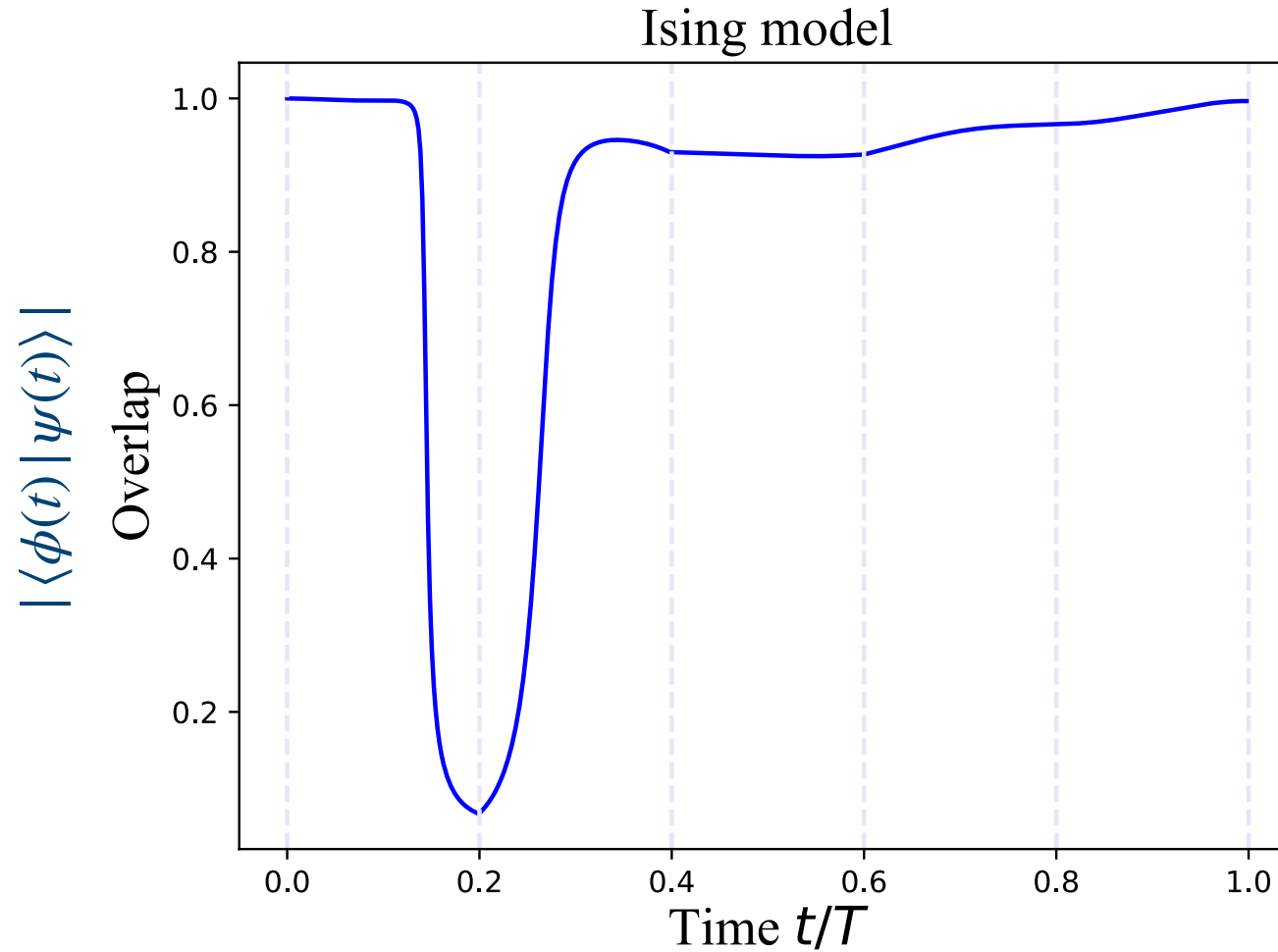
# Optimal Schedule Functions

$$H(t) = A(t)H_{\text{ini}} + B(t)H_{\text{Ising}} + \sum_{ij} C_{ij}(t)X_iX_j$$

“Non-stoquastic terms”

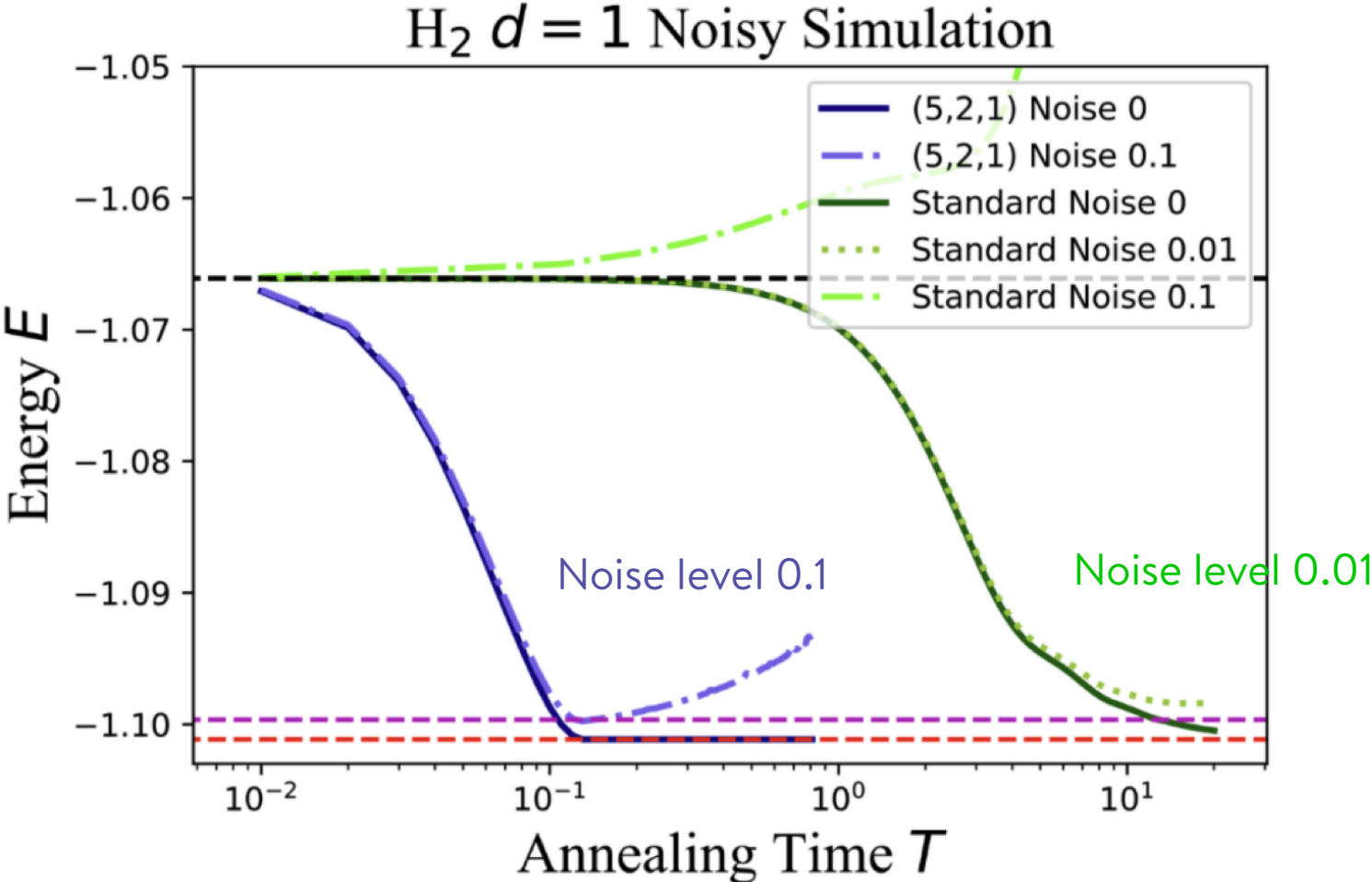


# Overlap with Instantaneous Ground States



# Decoherence

Lindblad master equation with bit-flip errors (thermalization)



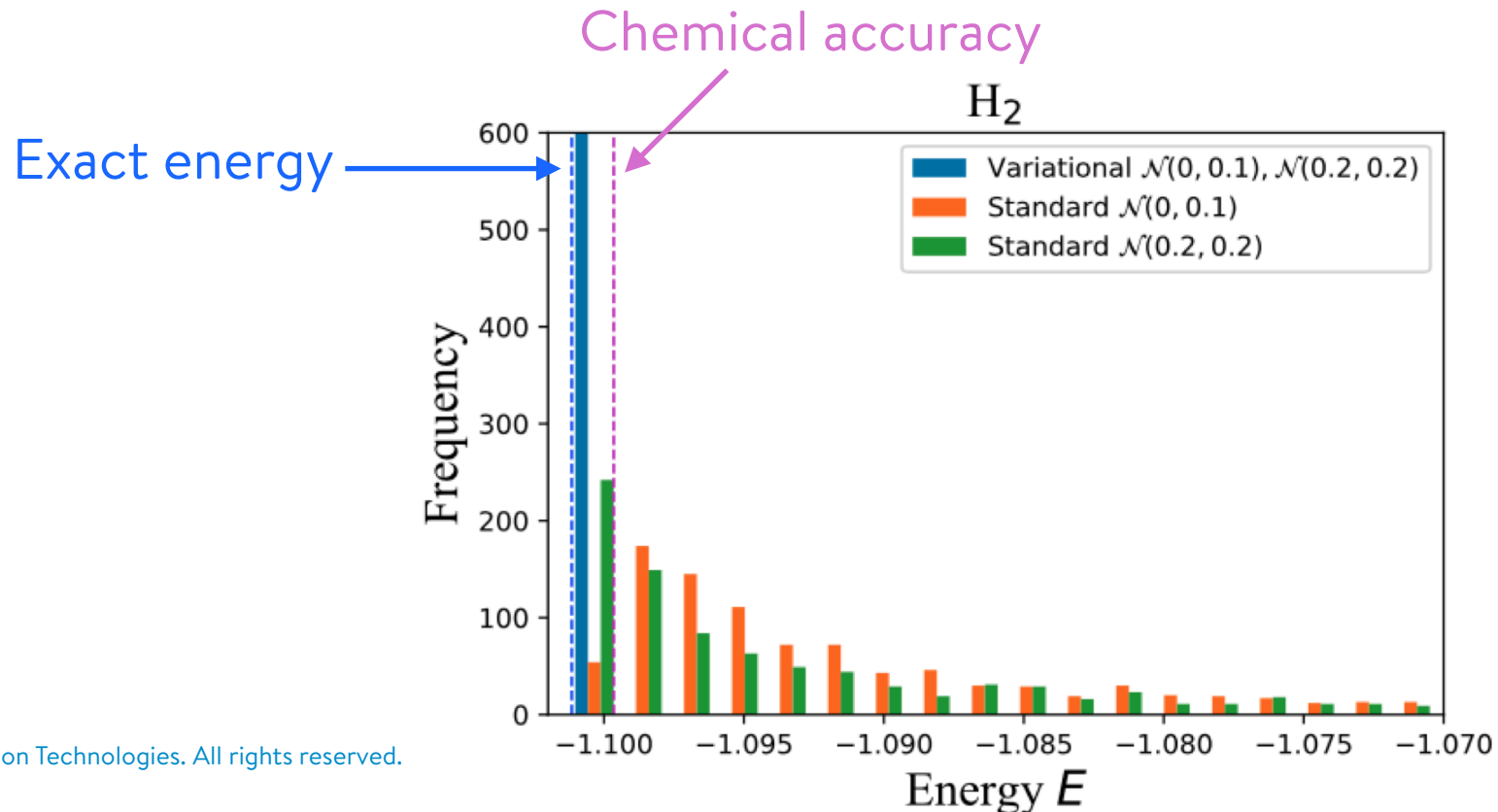
# Coherent Errors

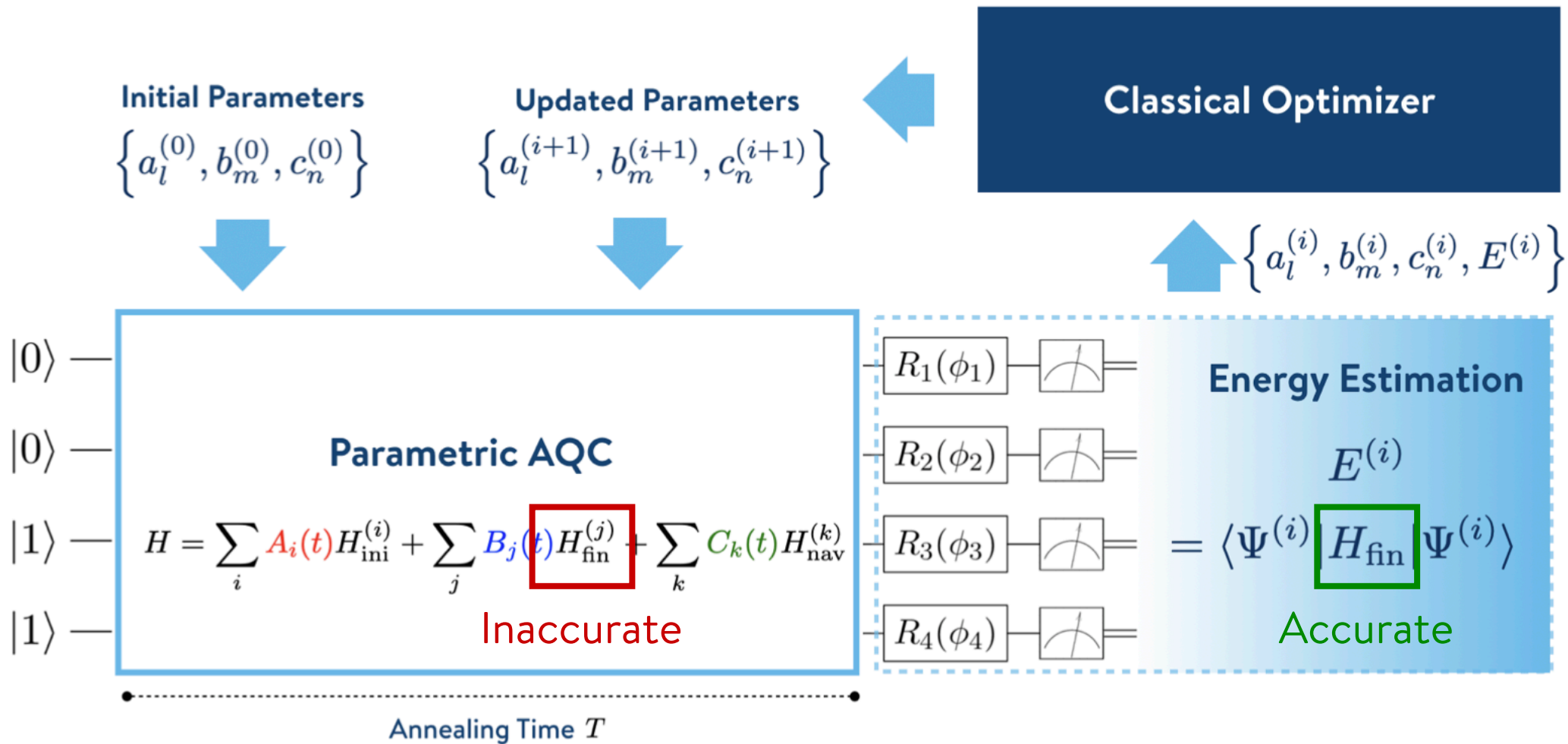
$H_{\text{final}}$  may not be accurately implemented on quantum devices (inaccurate controls)

## Variational approach

Quantum device: generate a quantum state by using inaccurate  $\tilde{H}_{\text{final}}$

Classical optimization: find optimal schedule by minimizing accurate  $H_{\text{final}}$





# Summary

Quantum state preparation is quite generic in various applications of quantum computing. We have considered a variational method in the framework of adiabatic state preparation.

Variational state preparation provides a framework for obtaining accurate results on noisy quantum devices.

- Decoherence
- Coherent errors

Diabatic transitions are a key element for solving problems efficiently.

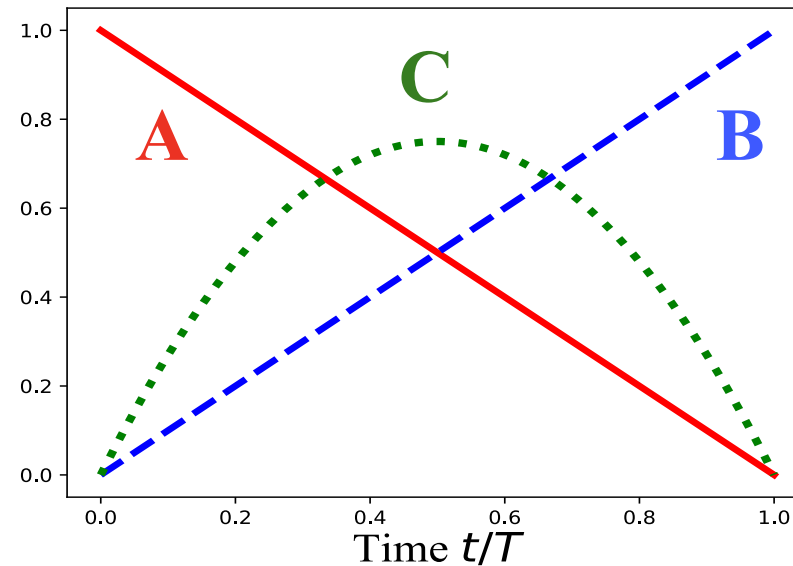




# VanQver: A Variational and Adiabatically Navigated Quantum Eigensolver

$$H(t, \vec{\eta}, \vec{\theta}) = A(t)H_{\text{ini}}(\vec{\eta}) + B(t)H_{\text{fin}} + \boxed{C(t)H_{\text{nav}}(\vec{\theta})}$$

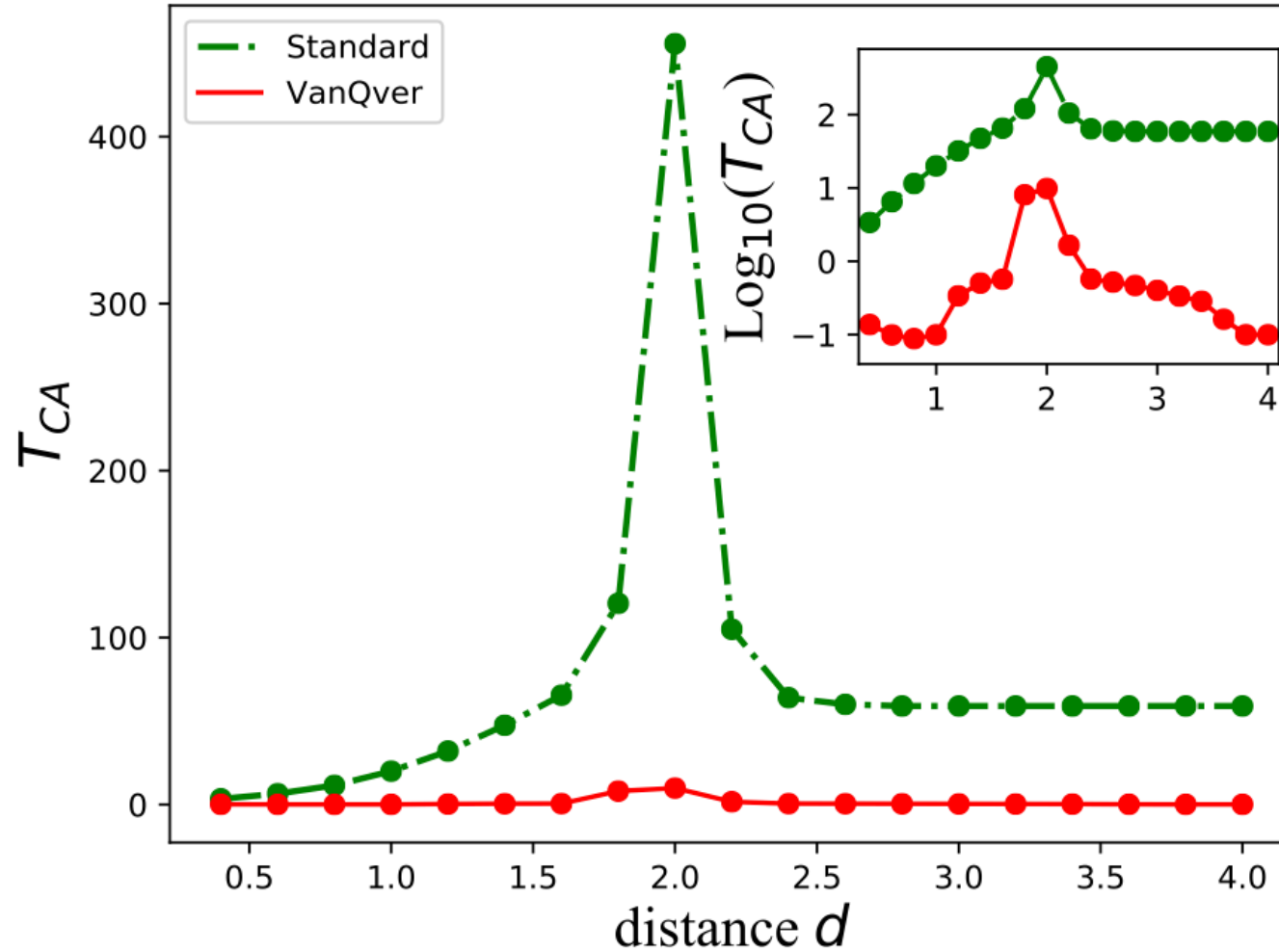
Navigator Hamiltonian



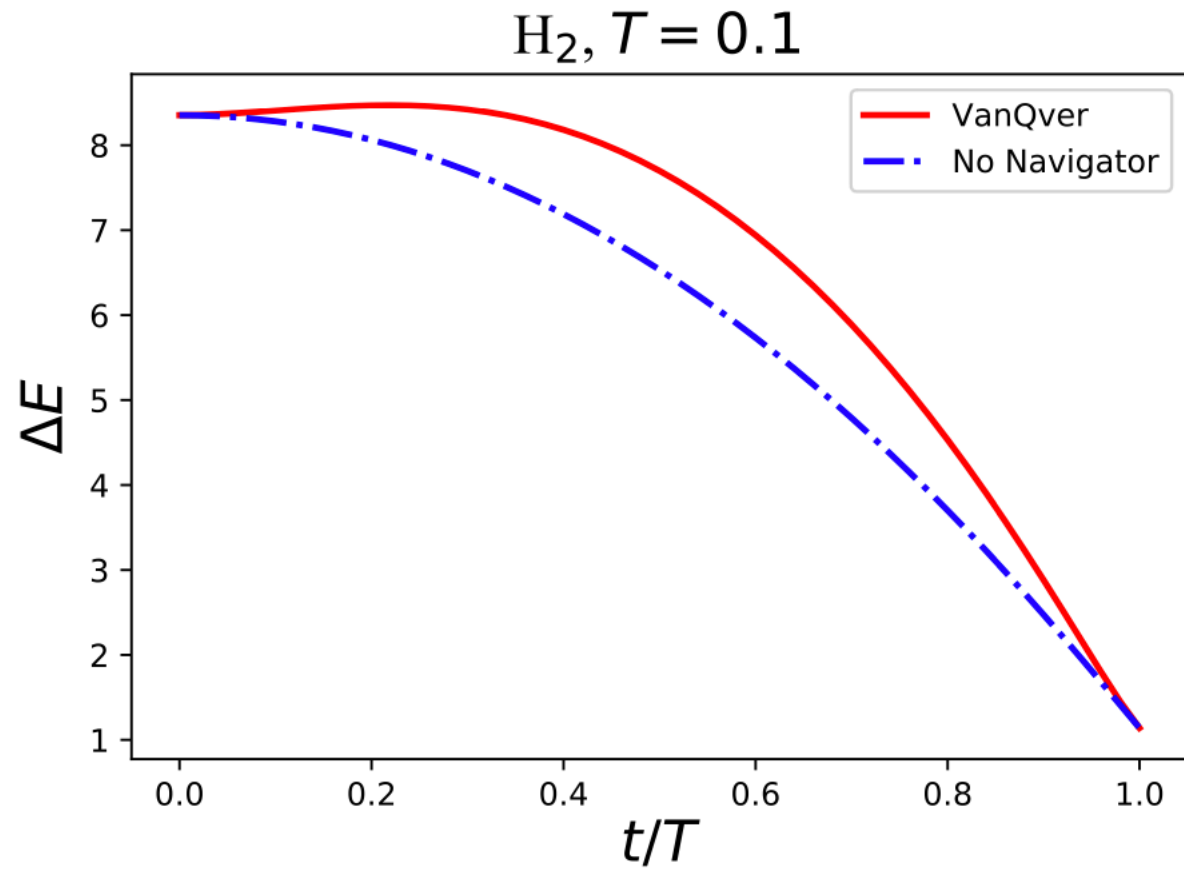
Variational Parameters:  $\{\vec{\eta}, \vec{\theta}\}$

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# Time to chemical accuracy: P4



# Energy Gap



# Ground State Overlap

