

# The Fermionic Schrödinger Equation in AQC

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# Objective: Find Ground State of $H$

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- ❖ Goal is to put the circuit in the ground state of a target Hamiltonian  $H = T + V$  where  $T$  is the kinetic energy operator and  $V$  is a local potential
- ❖ The Hamiltonian will be discretized over a finite volume periodic lattice in first quantization.
- ❖ Example Target Problems:
  - ❖ 2D: Fractional Quantum Hall
  - ❖ 3D: Nuclei (May be simpler than encoding shell model)

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# Focus on Laplacian

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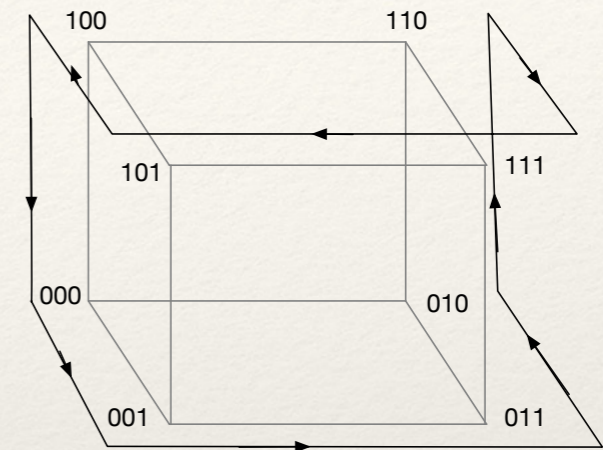
- ❖ The challenge is to efficiently implement the Laplacian. The one particle discrete version being:

$$\nabla^2 \psi(a\vec{n}) \approx L\psi(\vec{n}) = \frac{1}{h^2} \sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \psi(\vec{n} - \hat{e}_d) - 2\psi(\vec{n}) + \psi(\vec{n} + \hat{e}_d)$$

- ❖ The difficulty over the distinguishable particle case is that the references to neighboring lattice sites are essentially motions of the particles that interact with exchange symmetry.

# BRGC Code

- ❖ Gray code is an encoding of the integers  $0 \dots 2^n - 1$  such that neighboring integers have codes differing in a single bit. It is a Hamiltonian Path on a  $D=n$  dimension binary hyper-cube.
- ❖ Binary Reflected Gray Code is constructed recursively by reflecting the code from one fewer bits, and adding a leading sunblock bit.
- ❖ We are interested because neighboring codes automatically share all but one spin state in their corresponding basis elements. This simplifies the operator structure of the Laplacian.



num	gray
0	0 00
1	0 01
2	0 11
3	0 10

# Distinguishable Particles

❖ I am building on top of [1], which implements the Laplacian for distinguishable particles

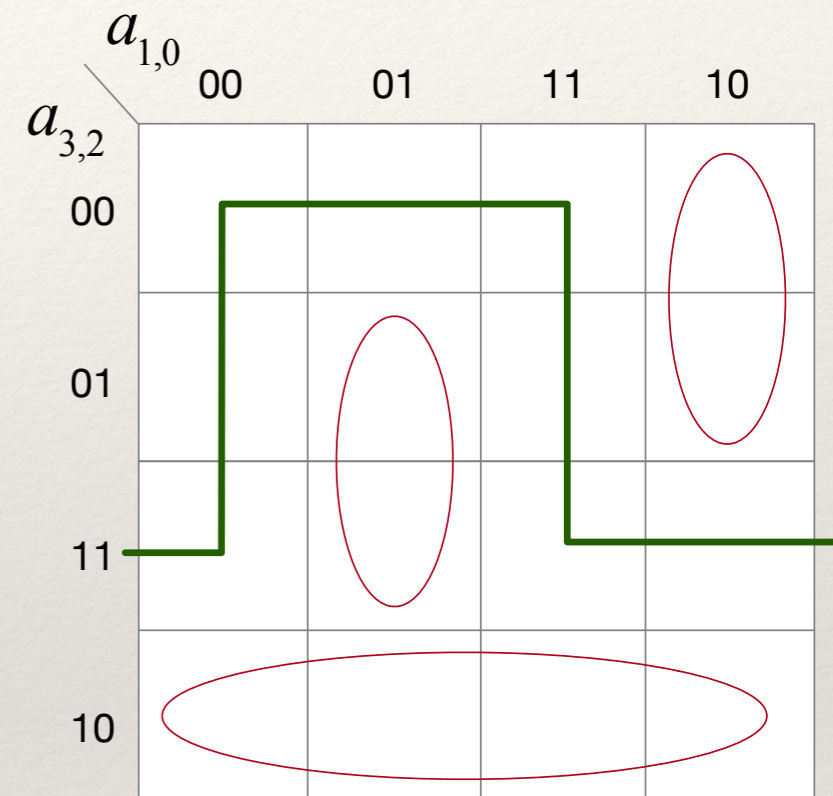
❖ Hamming-distance-2 Gray code encoding of 1D position

❖ Red ovals are penalized states

❖ The 1D laplacian is simply

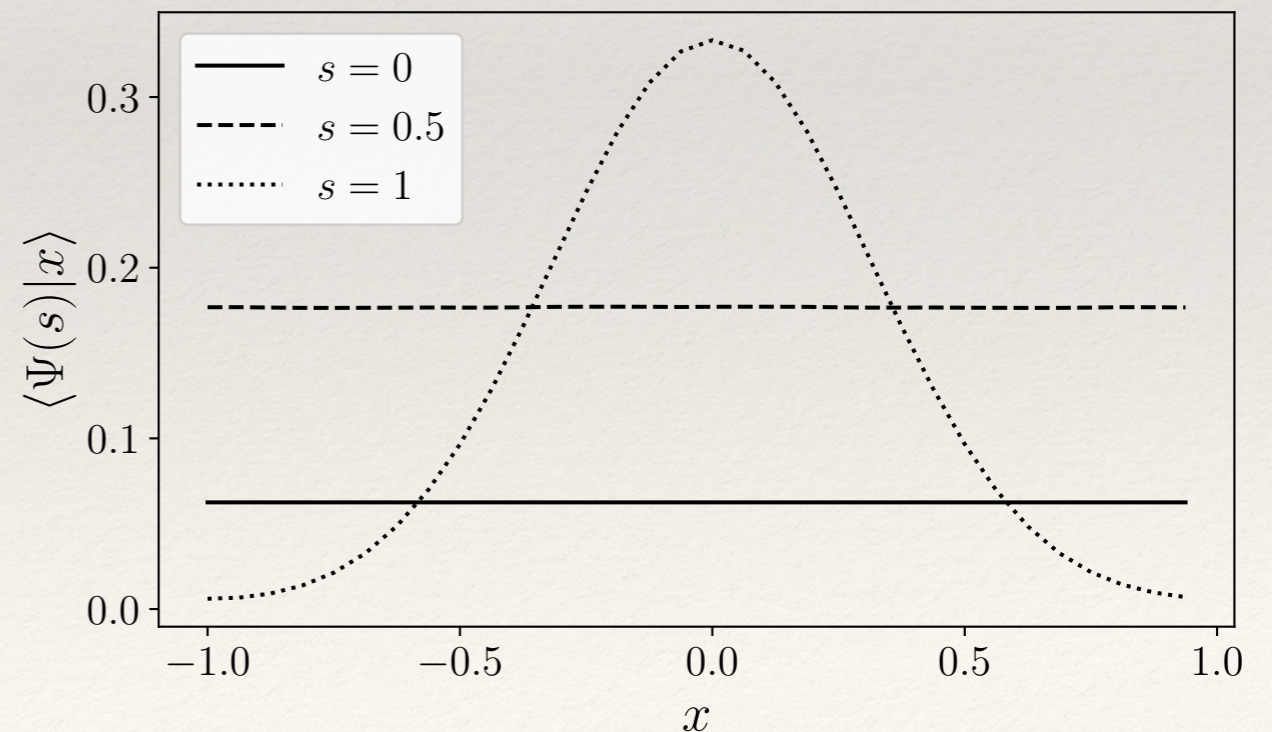
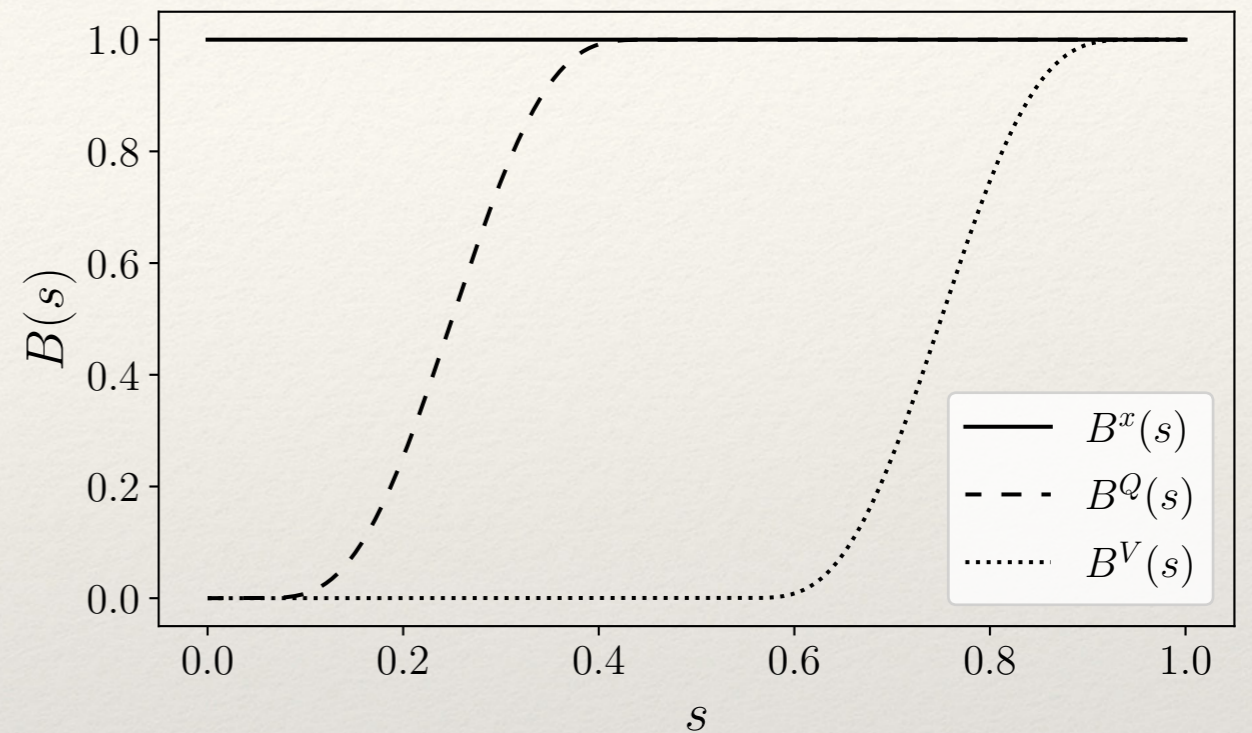
$$\mathcal{L} \propto L = -2 + \sum \sigma_{a,i}^x,$$

generating all neighbor contributions. Off path contributions are filtered away by penalties



# HO Example with H2GC encoding

- ❖ 32 Lattice positions, 8 qubits
- ❖ Off path penalty  $B^Q$  enabled first, potential  $V$  last.
- ❖ At  $s = 0.0$   $H = \sum \sigma_i^x$ . The GS wave function is constant with amplitude  $\sqrt{1/256}$
- ❖ At  $s = 0.5$ , the GS wave function is now only along the path with amplitude  $\sqrt{1/32}$
- ❖ At  $s = 1$  the wave function takes on the familiar harmonic oscillator GS form



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# Indistinguishable Fermions

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- ❖ A single fermionic product state is a sum of distinguishable particle product states (4 particle case):

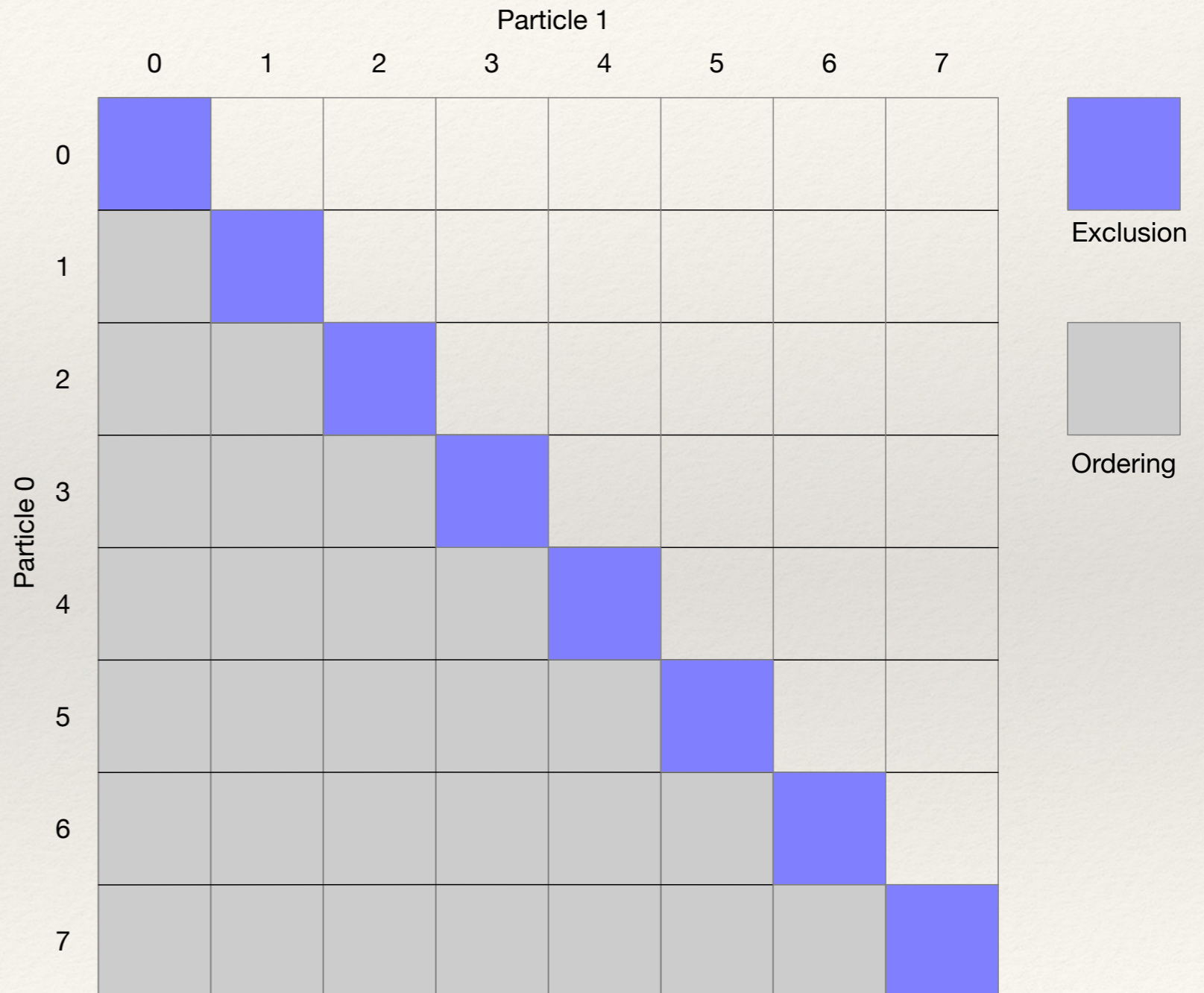
$$\Phi(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4!}} \begin{vmatrix} \phi_a(x_0) & \phi_b(x_0) & \phi_c(x_0) & \phi_d(x_0) \\ \phi_a(x_1) & \phi_b(x_1) & \phi_c(x_1) & \phi_d(x_1) \\ \phi_a(x_2) & \phi_b(x_2) & \phi_c(x_2) & \phi_d(x_2) \\ \phi_a(x_3) & \phi_b(x_3) & \phi_c(x_3) & \phi_d(x_3) \end{vmatrix}$$
$$\equiv |a, b, c, d\rangle$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are integer position labels on the lattice.

- ❖ There are  $4!$  such terms that each naively corresponds to a product state. We choose the one satisfying  $a < b < c < d$  to represent the fermionic state.

# 1D, 2 Particles

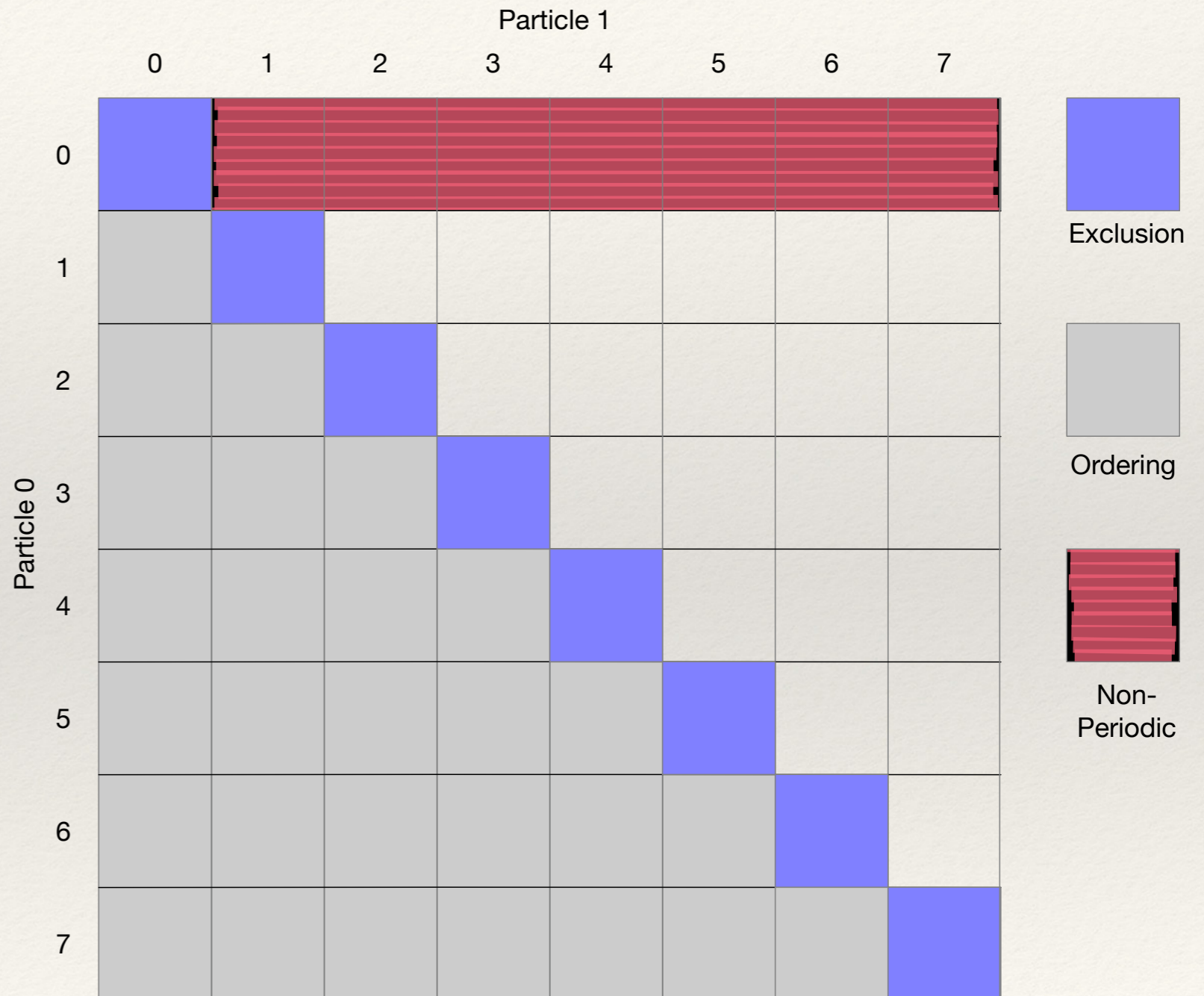
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- ❖ Clear sites are associated with Slater determinants, AKA properly ordered states





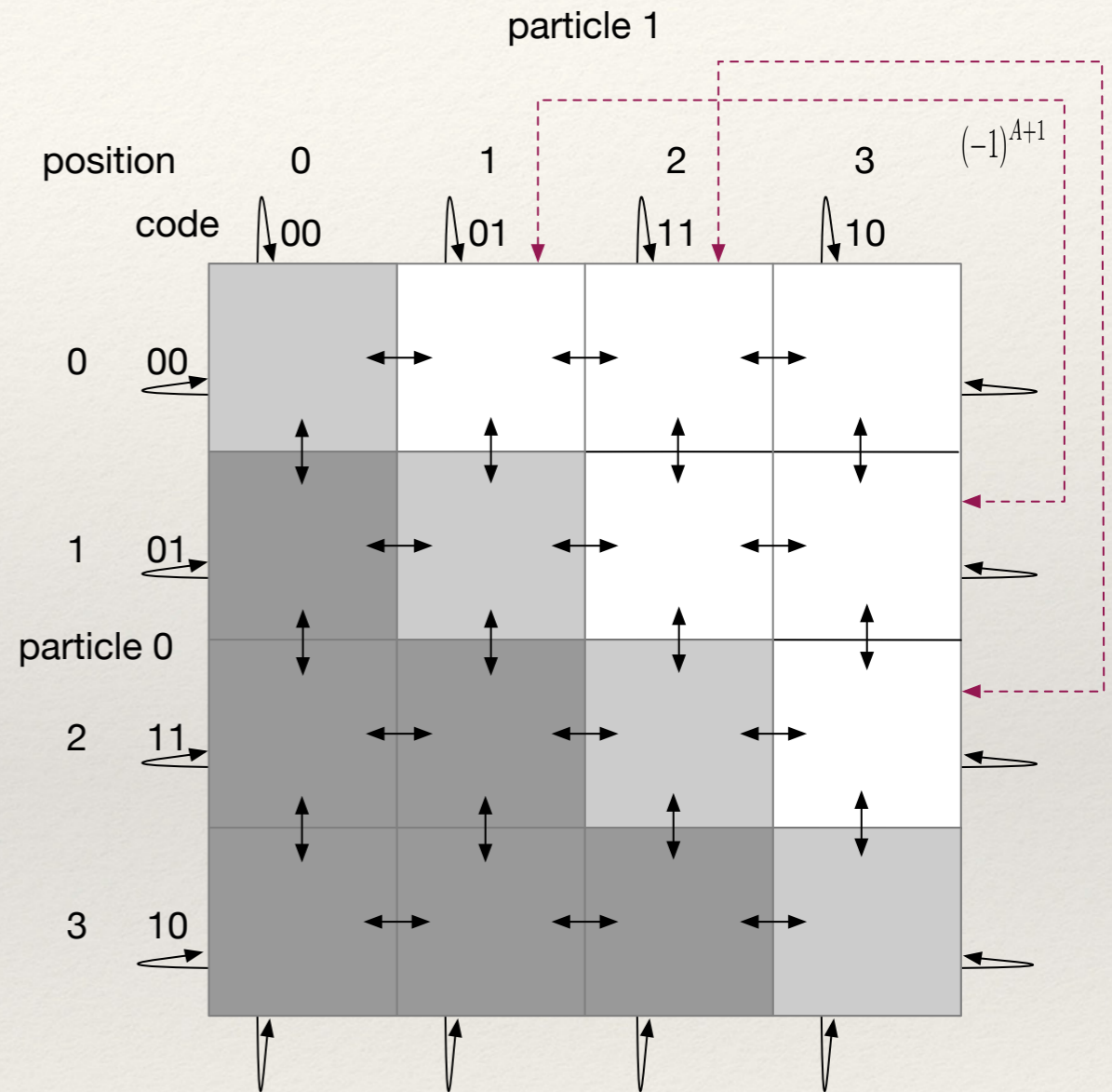
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# Distinguishable $\rightarrow$ Fermions

- ❖ Example: 1D with 2 particles
- ❖ Distinguishable  $L$  misses red dashed contributions and generates extra contributions (suppressed by penalties)
- ❖ How do we implement the red contributions? Periodic wrapping has violated the ordering constraint.



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# Entanglement Gadgets

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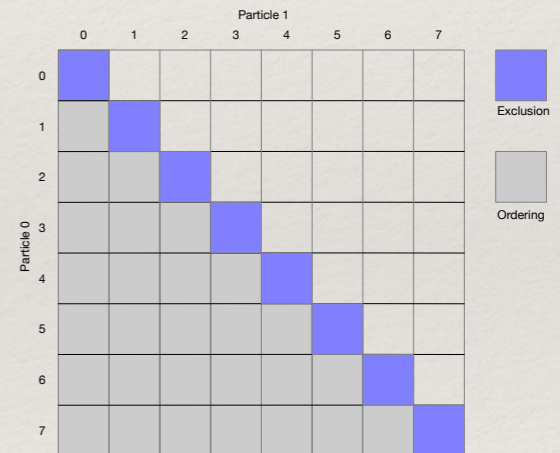
- ❖ Our first exposure to entanglement is often a 2 qubit wave function
$$|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle_{ab} + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle_{ab}$$
- ❖ In this wave function the two qubits carry the same information, encoded differently.
- ❖ In an entanglement gadget we add  $\Delta H = Q * P^{conflict}$  where  $P^{conflict}$  projects out states that conflict with the desired entanglement.  $Q$  is the penalty value, ensuring that low lying states respect the desired entanglement. For the 2 qubit wave function above
$$P^{conflict} = |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow\uparrow| + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow\downarrow| = P_{ab}^{11} + P_{ab}^{00}$$
- ❖ Actions on spin  $a$  can be replaced by actions on spin  $b$
- ❖ Optimization: The sum of projection operators can be allowed to overlap. The penalty may vary across the conflict subspace

# Gray Code vs Binary

❖ We want Gray code positions for the Laplacian, but binary for the valid ordering projector  $P^{ordering} = b_0 < b_1 < \dots < b_{A-1}$

❖ Using the optimization (multiple terms may be on)  
 $\tilde{P}_{unordered} = (b_0 \geq b_1) + (b_1 \geq b_2) + \dots + (b_{A-2} \geq b_{A-1})$

❖ This implements both the ordering and exchange penalties in diagram to right



❖ There are two remaining tasks

❖ Implement binary / gray **entanglement gadget**

❖ Implement binary  $b \geq a$  ( $= a < b$ ) projector

# Binary/Gray Entanglement

- ❖ Boolean relationship:

$$g_{n-1} = b_{n-1}, \quad g_i = b_i \oplus b_{i+1}$$

- ❖ Enforce bit by bit with

$$\Delta H = QP_{g_i \oplus b_{i+1} \oplus b_i}$$

$$\Delta H = Q \left( P_{g_i, b_i, b_{i+1}}^{100} + P_{g_i, b_i, b_{i+1}}^{111} + P_{g_i, b_i, b_{i+1}}^{010} + P_{g_i, b_i, b_{i+1}}^{001} \right)$$

- ❖ We will use  $g_i$  the for the Laplacian and the  $b_i$  for ordering

Binary	Gray
000	000
001	001
010	011
011	010
100	110
101	111
110	101
111	100

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# Less Than Projector

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- ❖ Recursive boolean definition

$$x_i = a_i \oplus b_i$$

$$a_{[n-1:0]} < b_{[n-1:0]} = x_{n-1} b_{n-1} \mid \bar{x}_{n-1} (a_{[n-2:0]} < b_{[n-2:0]})$$

- ❖ The  $x$ 's can be implemented as additional qubits with penalties from the previous slide.
- ❖ A qubit is associated with each comparator size and a 4 qubit penalty expression is used to make the qubit match the required result
- ❖ Instead of the serial boolean form one can start with carry lookahead implementations, reducing the number of levels of ancillary qubits

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# Rotation Operators

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- ❖  $\chi_{01} = (1/2) \left[ I_0 I_1 + \sigma_0^x \sigma_1^x + \sigma_0^y \sigma_1^y + \sigma_0^z \sigma_1^z \right]$  is the swap operator
- ❖ For 2 qubits  $R_{ij}^L = R_{ij}^R = \chi_{ij}$ ,  $R_i^R = I_i$
- ❖  $R_{012}^R = \chi_{01} \chi_{12} = \chi_{02} \chi_{01}$ ,  $R_{012}^L = \chi_{12} \chi_{01} = \chi_{02} \chi_{12}$
- ❖ Rotate sub-partitions, then rotate leftmost qubits  
 $R_{0\dots 6}^R = R_{036}^R R_{012}^R R_{345}^R R_6^R$
- ❖ Will need multi-bit rotations - all pos bits of particles

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# Bloch-Horowitz Equation

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- ❖ Used to make an effective Hamiltonian in a subspace  $P$  (with  $Q = 1 - P$ ) of the full Hilbert Space

$$(P + Q) H |\psi_i\rangle = E_i |\psi_i\rangle$$

Schrodinger Eqn

$$(E_i - QH) |\psi_i\rangle = E_i P |\psi_i\rangle$$

Rearrange

$$|\psi_i\rangle = \frac{E_i}{E_i - QH} P |\psi_i\rangle$$

Reconstruct Wf

$$E_i P |\psi_i\rangle = \boxed{PH \frac{E_i}{E_i - QH} P} P |\psi_i\rangle = H_{eff} P |\psi_i\rangle \quad \text{BH Equation}$$

- ❖ The boxed expression is the BH Equation, forming an effective Hamiltonian acting in  $P$  with the same eigenvalues and projected eigenstates as  $H$



# Multi-Stage Decomposition

$$|0\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|1\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma^- = |1\rangle\langle 0|$$

- ❖ Rotation by 3 in two layers

$$H = P_a^0 H_x P_a^0 + \sigma_a^- \chi_{1,2} + E \sigma_a^+ \chi_{0,1} \Rightarrow P_a^0 H_x P_a^0 + R_{0,1,2}^R$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \phantom{a} \\ \phantom{a} \\ a \\ \phantom{a} \\ 1 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 0 \quad a \quad 1 \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} H_x & \chi_{01} \\ \hline \chi_{12} & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

- ❖ Analyze with BH eqn letting

$$P = P_a^0, \quad Q = 1 - P = P_a^1 \quad \text{project states with qubit } a = |1\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{eff} &= P \left( P H_x P + \cancel{\sigma_a^- \chi_{12}} + E \sigma_a^+ \chi_{01} \right) \frac{E}{E - Q \left( \cancel{P H_x P} + \sigma_a^- \chi_{12} + \cancel{E \sigma_a^+ \chi_{01}} \right)} P \\ &= P \left( P H_x P + E \sigma_a^+ \chi_{01} \right) \left( 1 + \sigma_a^- \chi_{01} / E \right) P \quad \text{higher powers in series are 0} \\ &= P H_x P + \chi_{01} \chi_{12} \end{aligned}$$

- ❖  $H^{eff}$  is energy dependent. Requires self consistent solution. Bound state solutions converge by simple iteration
- ❖ In the low lying model space we have generated a 3 bit rotation, without explicitly multiplying out the terms. Now we have a hammer ...

# All Rotations

- ❖ Generalize to all swaps, left and right rotations by 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{order}^{(3)} &= \sigma_a^- \sum_{i \in even}^{A-1} \chi_{i,i+1} + E\sigma_a^+ + E\sigma_a^+ \sum_{j \in odd}^{A-1} \chi_{j,j+1} && \text{Interpret } i,j \text{ as wrapping} \\
 &+ \sigma_b^- \sum_{i \in odd}^{A-1} \chi_{i,i+1} + E\sigma_b^+ + E\sigma_b^+ \sum_{j \in even}^{A-1} \chi_{j,j+1} && \text{in } [0 \dots A - 1] \\
 &\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{A-1} \left( \chi_{i,i+1} + R_{i-1,i-1,i}^L + R_{i,i+1,i+2}^R \right) + \text{Ignored} && \text{Singleton } \sigma_{a/b}^+ \text{ results in} \\
 & && \text{effective } \chi_{i,i+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ **Ignored** is made of terms like  $\chi_{1,2}\chi_{5,6}$ . Applied to ordered states or states with one particle out of place they always produce an unordered and suppressed state

# The Laplacian and Particle Order

- ❖ We act with the unscaled distinguishable Laplacian  $L$  on an ordered basis state:

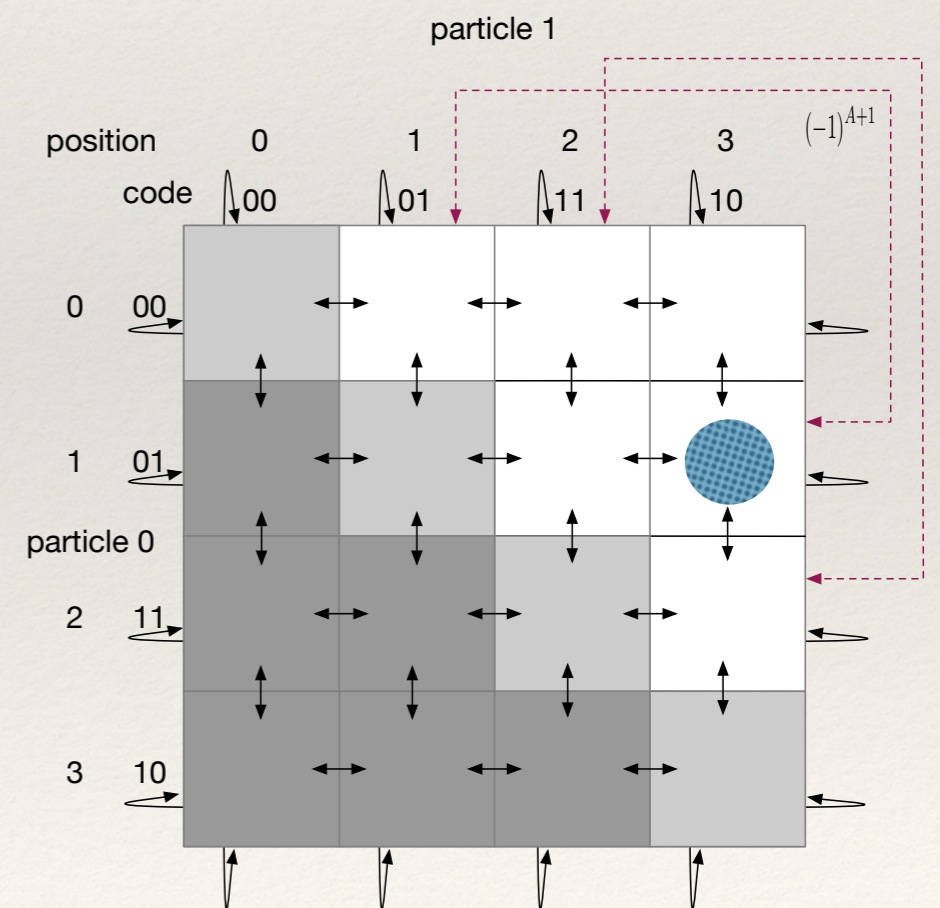
$$L |1,3\rangle = |0,3\rangle + |2,3\rangle + |1,2\rangle + |1,0\rangle$$

- ❖ Three of these states are properly ordered, but the last one is not! How do we recover?

$$L(1 - \chi_{0,1}) |1,3\rangle = |0,3\rangle - |3,0\rangle + |2,3\rangle - |3,2\rangle + |1,2\rangle - |2,1\rangle + |1,0\rangle - |0,1\rangle$$

- ❖ Particle swapping operator  $\chi_{0,1}$  generated three more improperly ordered states, but it recovered the proper order for  $|1,0\rangle$  with corrected phase. The improperly ordered state contributions will be suppressed by the penalties on those states

- ❖ The full operator to recover proper orderings is  $\left(1 + (-1)^{A+1} (R^R + R^L)\right)$ . If we add the non-periodic penalty, then this operator is not needed



# 2<sup>+</sup>D

❖ In 1D the increment or decrement of a particle position either finds an unoccupied and properly ordered position, or an occupied position blocked by exclusion principle

❖ In 2D, using a row first labeling, a vertical increment can hop over up to  $A - 1$  particles.

❖ Recovery of proper ordering requires

$$1 + \sum_{i=0}^A \sum_{j=1}^A (-1)^j \left( R_{[i:i+j]}^R + R_{[i-j:i]}^L \right)$$

	Column			
	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	4	5	6	7
2	8	9	10	11
3	12	13	14	15

Row

$$|5,7,8\rangle \rightarrow |9,7,8\rangle$$

❖ Assume that  $A \ll 2^n$ , limiting the size of required rotations

# Summarizing H

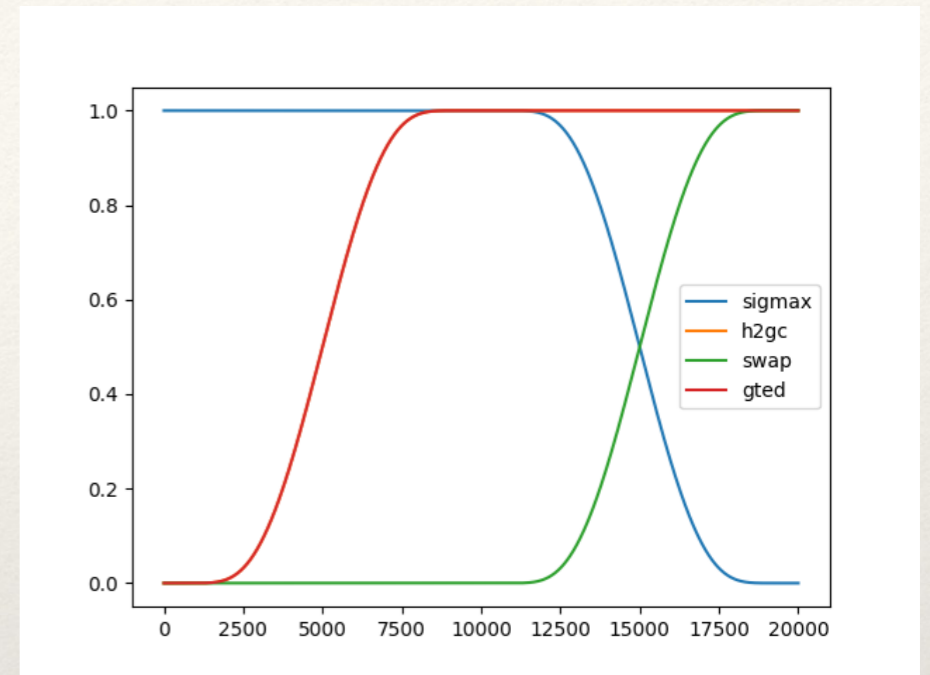
- ❖ Components of H are penalties to define subspaces, penalties to establish entanglement, rotation operators to recover properly ordered states and application of the discrete particle Laplacian

$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & V + Q \left( \tilde{P}_{H2GC} + \tilde{P}_{unordered} + \left[ P_{nonperiodic} \right] \right) && \text{filtering} \\
 & + Q \left( \sum \Delta H_{graybin} + \Delta H_{xor} + \Delta H_{<} \right) && \text{entanglement} \\
 & + \left( \sum_{i \in \text{posbits}} \sigma_i^x \right) \left( 1 + \sum_{i=0}^A \sum_{j=1}^B (-1)^j \left( R_{[i:i+j]}^R + R_{[i-j:i]}^L \right) \right) && L^* \text{ ordering}
 \end{aligned}$$

- ❖  $B = A$ , or we can approximate with B a small fixed number . The approximation will improve with  $N = 2^{n/2+1}$

# Testing

- ❖ I ran an 8 qubit simulation of two particles in 2D, starting with a transverse H and ending with the fermionic Laplacian
  - ❖ Diagonalization of directly specified Laplacian yielded degenerate ground states
  - ❖ Adiabatic evolution of prior slide yielded a state that has the same energy and is a linear combination of the degenerate states
- ❖ Next step: Introducing a potential and simulate to find ground state - declare victory



Sequencing of H components

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# Conclusions

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- ❖ Cost in qubits / pauli-operators is polynomial in  $A^D$  and  $n$ . The number of basis states we are solving in is  $\mathcal{O}(2^n)$
- ❖ Penalties unwanted contributions from the distinguishable particle Laplacian that connected to improperly ordered states
- ❖ Entanglement gadgets were used to simplify a number of operations including maintaining position in both binary and gray encodings to minimize both the fermion ordering constraint implementation and the included distinguishable particle Laplacian
- ❖ As in the distinguishable particle case, the finite volume protects the gap between the GS and the first excited state, protecting the rate at which penalties and the potential are introduced

End