

Quantum Computation & Quantum Field Theory

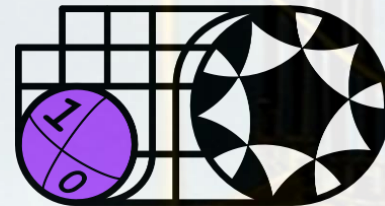
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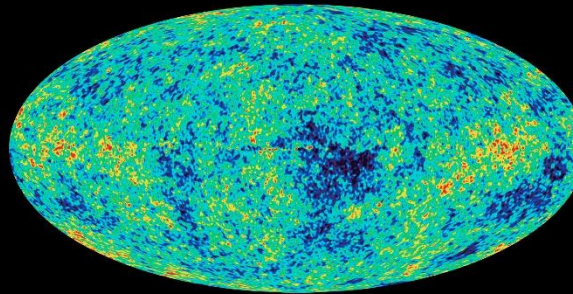
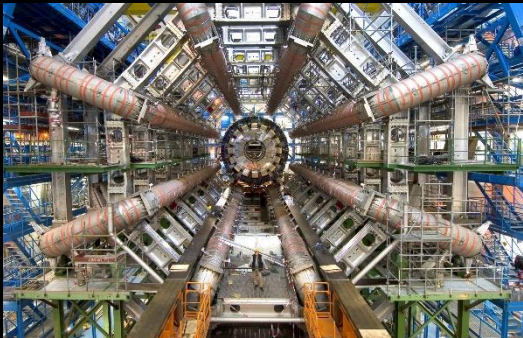
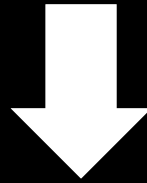
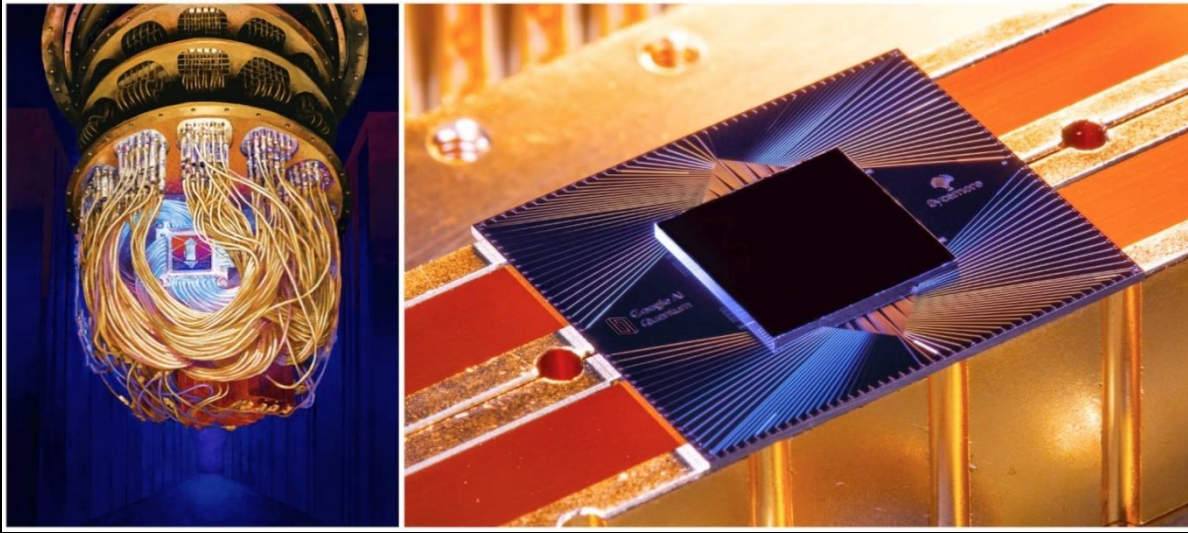
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Long term goal



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What can we do by quantum computer?: (details later)

Numerical simulation in situations where
conventional approach has a problem
Monte Carlo method *sign problem*

Physical situations w/ sign problems (typically)

- systems w/ topological terms (ex. Chern-Simons, theta)
- fermionic systems w/ chemical potentials
 - that's why QCD phase diagram is still incomplete
- **real time**

Challenges

- needs real device w/ certain specification
(qubit #, fidelity, etc...)
- pioneers problems efficiently solved by QC

To do: (except waiting for development of hardware)

- bench mark, estimation of required computational resource
- inventing/improving methods → reduces required resource
 - developing lattice field theory in operator formalism
 - especially finding nice regularization of gauge theory
- Quantum field theory → Quantum computation?
 - proposing new error correcting codes etc...

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② Numerically Evaluate it by (Markov Chain) Monte Carlo method regarding the Boltzmann factor as a **probability**:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(\phi) \rangle \simeq \frac{1}{\#(\text{samples})} \sum_{i \in \text{samples}} \mathcal{O}(\phi_i)$$

Sign problem in Monte Carlo simulation (Cont'd)

Markov Chain Monte Carlo:

$$\int d\phi \mathcal{O}(\phi) \underbrace{e^{-S(\phi)}}_{\text{probability}}$$

problematic when Boltzmann factor **isn't $\mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$** & is highly oscillating

Examples w/ sign problem:

- topological term ——— complex action
- chemical potential ——— indefinite sign of fermion determinant
- real time ——— “ $e^{iS(\phi)}$ ” *much worse*

In **operator formalism**,

sign problem is absent from the beginning

(\exists various approaches within framework of path integral formalism but I'll skip it)

Cost of operator formalism

We have to play with huge vector space
since QFT typically has ∞ -dim. Hilbert space
regularization needed!

Technically, computers have to
memorize huge vector & multiply huge matrices

Quantum computers do this job?

“Regularization” of Hilbert space

Hilbert space of QFT is typically ∞ dimensional

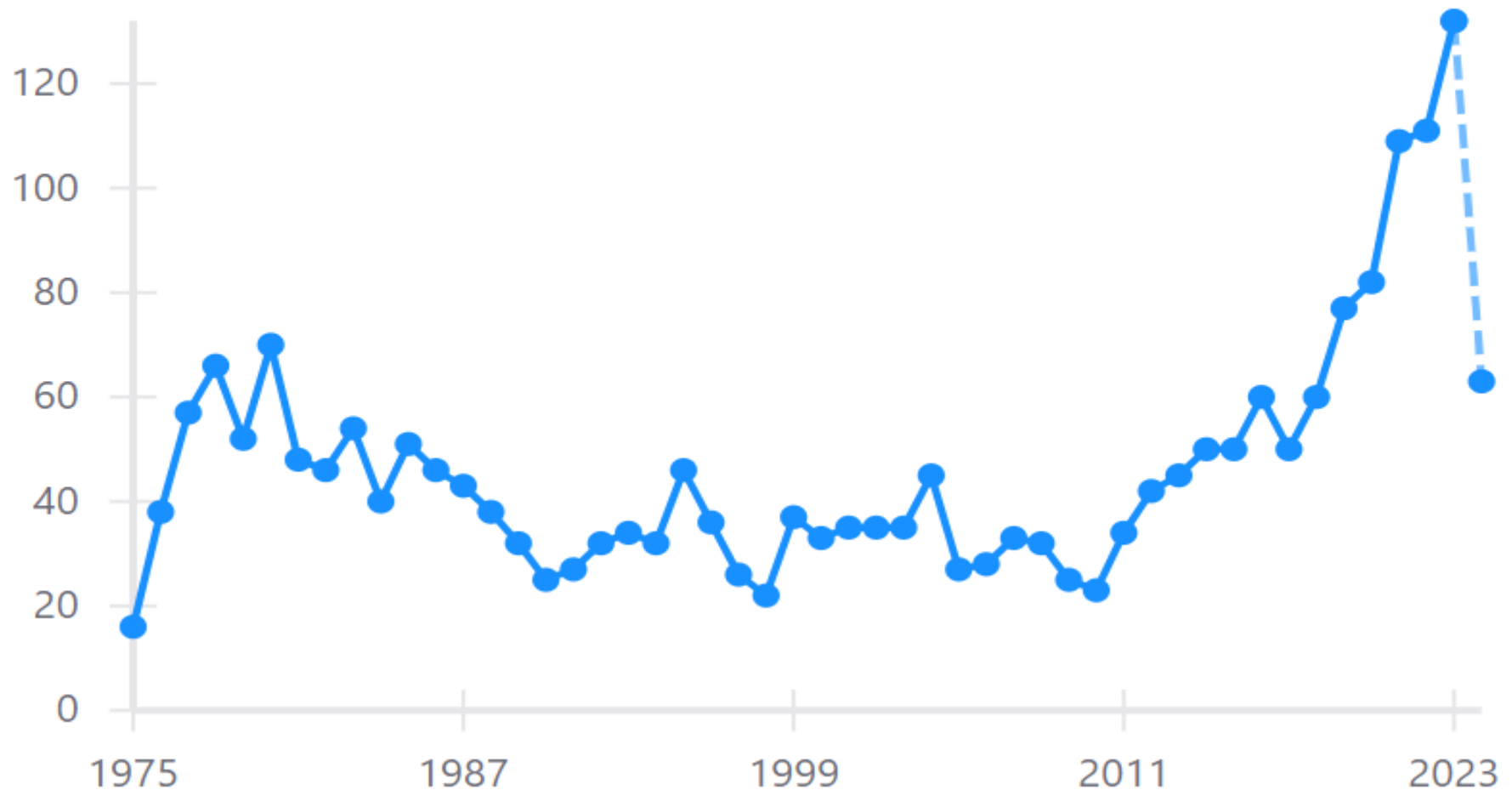
————→ Make it finite dimensional!

- **Fermion** is easiest (up to doubling problem)
 - Putting on spatial lattice, Hilbert sp. is finite dimensional
- **scalar**
 - Hilbert sp. at each site is ∞ dimensional
(need truncation or additional regularization)
- **gauge field** (w/ kinetic term)
 - no physical d.o.f. in $0+1D/1+1D$ (w/ open bdy. condition)
 - ∞ dimensional Hilbert sp. in higher dimensions

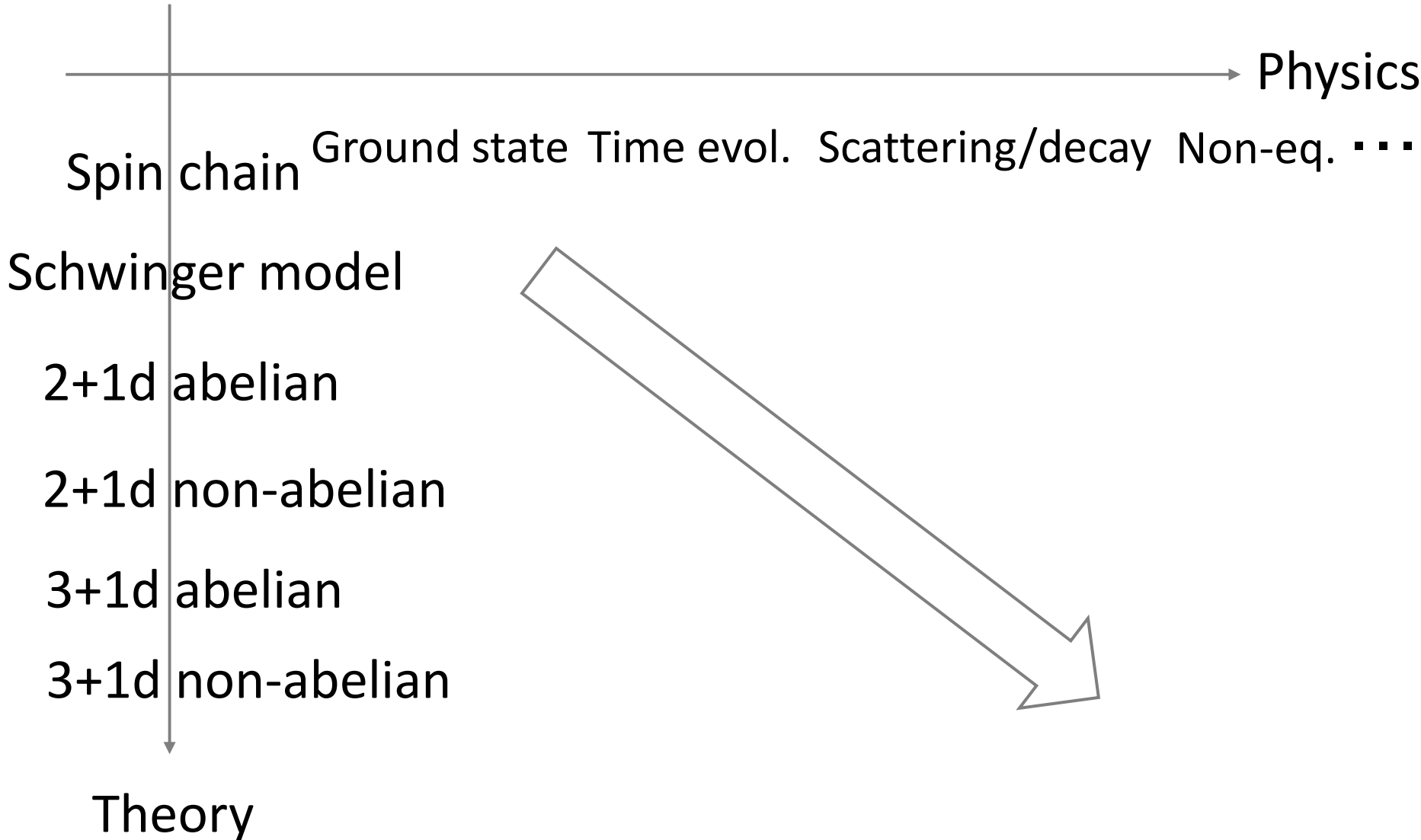
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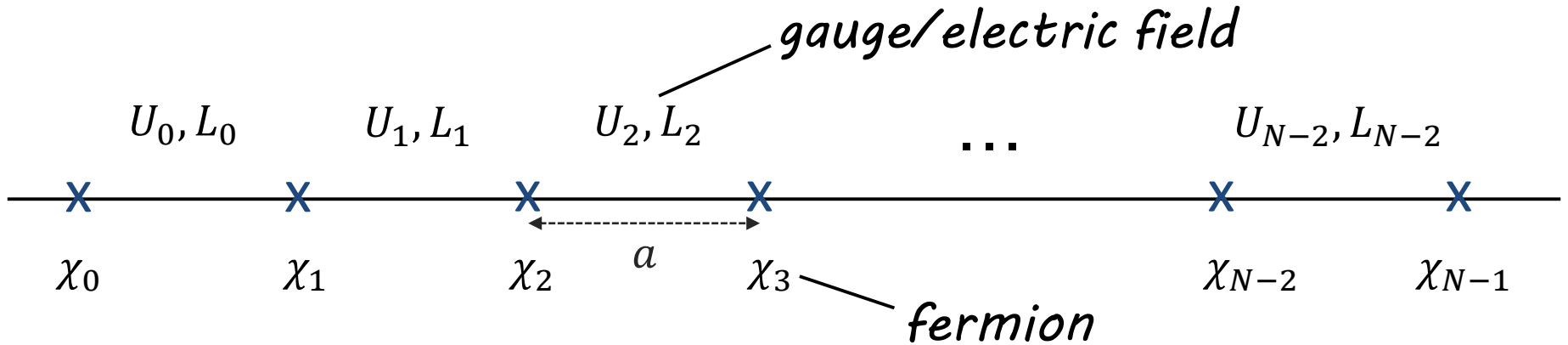
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Flow of researches in the field (?)



Charge- q Schwinger model



$$H = J \sum_{n=0}^{N-2} \left(L_n + \frac{\theta_0}{2\pi} \right)^2 - i w \sum_{n=0}^{N-2} \left[\chi_n^\dagger (U_n)^q \chi_{n+1} - \text{h.c.} \right] + m \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (-1)^n \chi_n^\dagger \chi_n$$

$$[L_n, U_m] = U_m \delta_{nm}, \quad \{\chi_n, \chi_m^\dagger\} = \delta_{nm}$$

Physical states are subject to **Gauss law**:

$$(L_n - L_{n-1}) |\text{phys}\rangle = q \left[\chi_n^\dagger \chi_n - \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{2} \right] |\text{phys}\rangle$$

" $\nabla \cdot \vec{E}(x)$ "
" $\rho(x)$ "

Schwinger model as qubits

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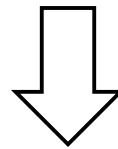
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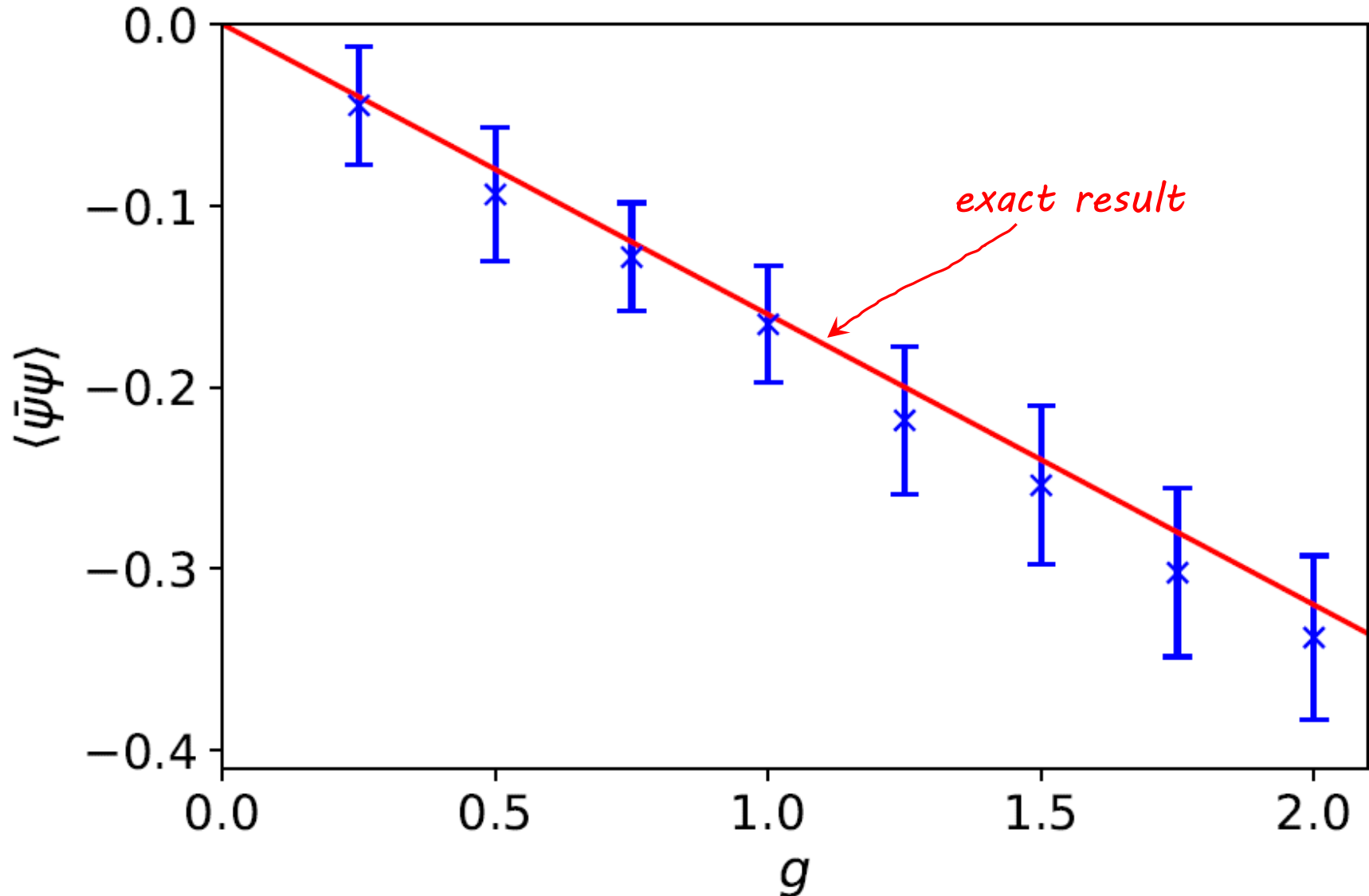
Qubit description of the Schwinger model !!

Ground state expectation value in **massless** case

$T = 100, \delta t = 0.1, N_{\max} = 16, 1M$ shots

[Chakraborty-MH-Kikuchi-Izubuchi-Tomiya '20]

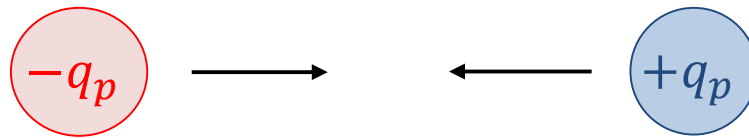
(after continuum limit)



Screening versus Confinement

Let's consider

potential between 2 heavy charged particles



Classical picture:

$$V(x) = \frac{q_p^2 g^2}{2} x ?$$

Coulomb law in 1+1d
||
confinement

too naive in the presence of dynamical fermions

Expectations from previous analyzes

Potential between probe charges $\pm q_p$ has been analytically computed

[Iso-Murayama '88, Gross-Klebanov-Matytsin-Smilga '95]

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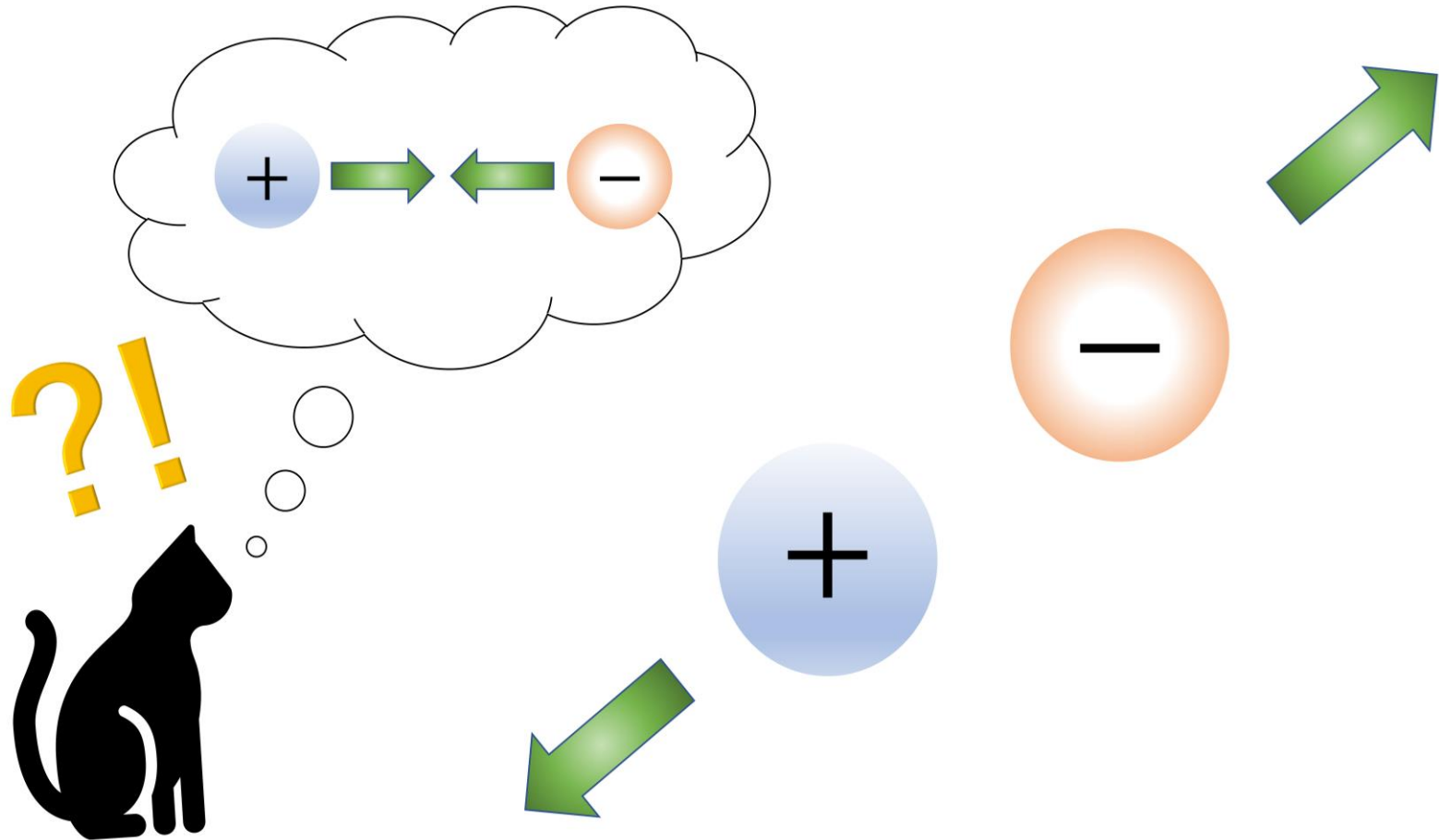
[cf. Misumi-Tanizaki-Unsal '19]

$$\Sigma \equiv g e^\gamma / 2\pi^{3/2}$$

$$V(x) \sim m q \Sigma \left(\cos\left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi q_p}{q}\right) - \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{q}\right) \right) x \quad (m \ll g, |x| \gg 1/g)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} = \text{Const.} & \text{for } q_p/q = \mathbf{Z} \quad \text{screening} \\ \propto x & \text{for } q_p/q \neq \mathbf{Z} \quad \text{confinement?} \\ & \text{but sometimes negative slope!} \end{array} \right.$$

That is, as changing the parameters...



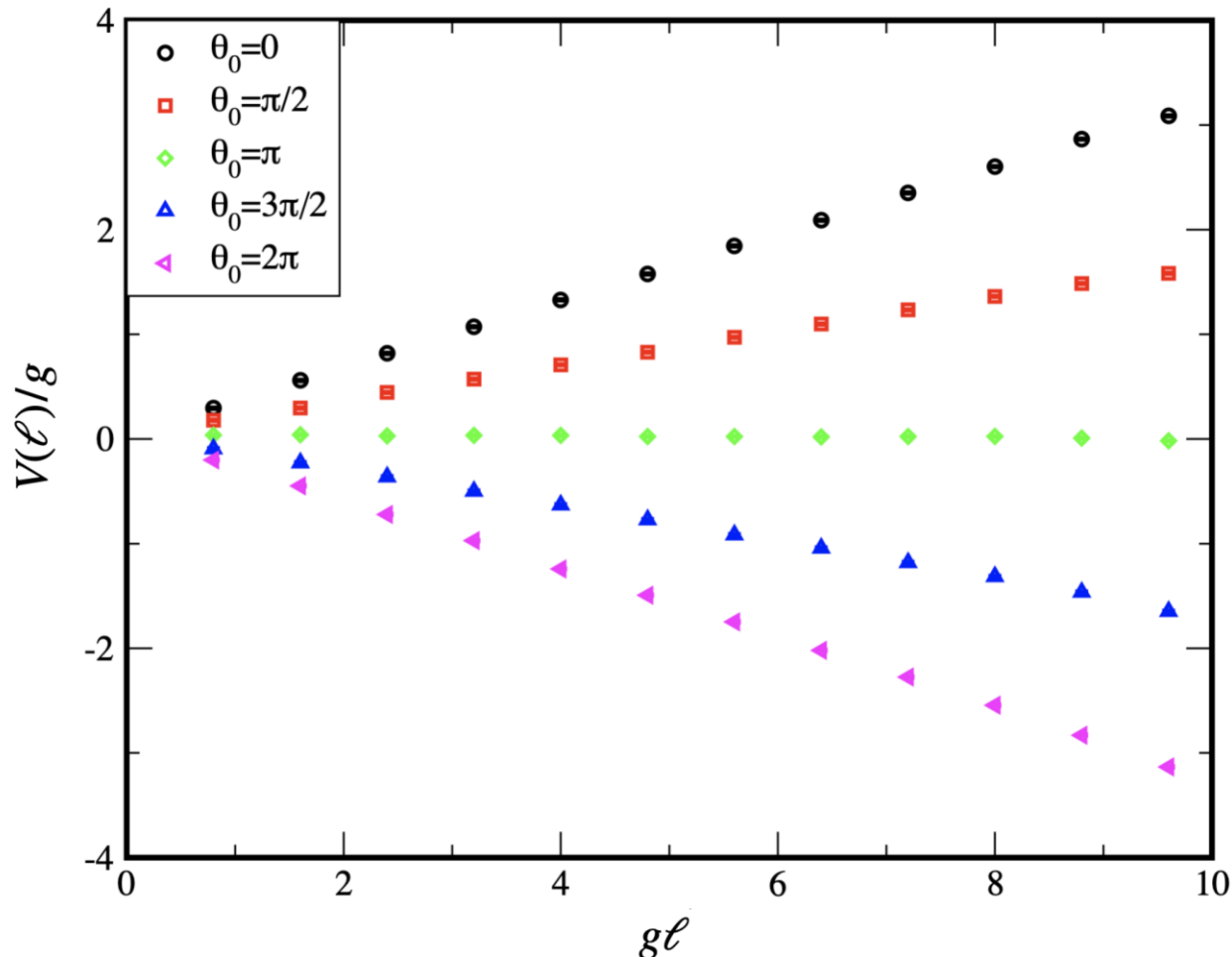
Let's explore this aspect by quantum simulation!

Positive / negative string tension

[MH-Itou-Kikuchi-Tanizaki '21]

[cf. MH-Itou-Kikuchi-Nagano-Okuda '21]

Parameters: $g = 1, a = 0.4, N = 25, T = 99, q_p/q = -1/3, m = 0.15$



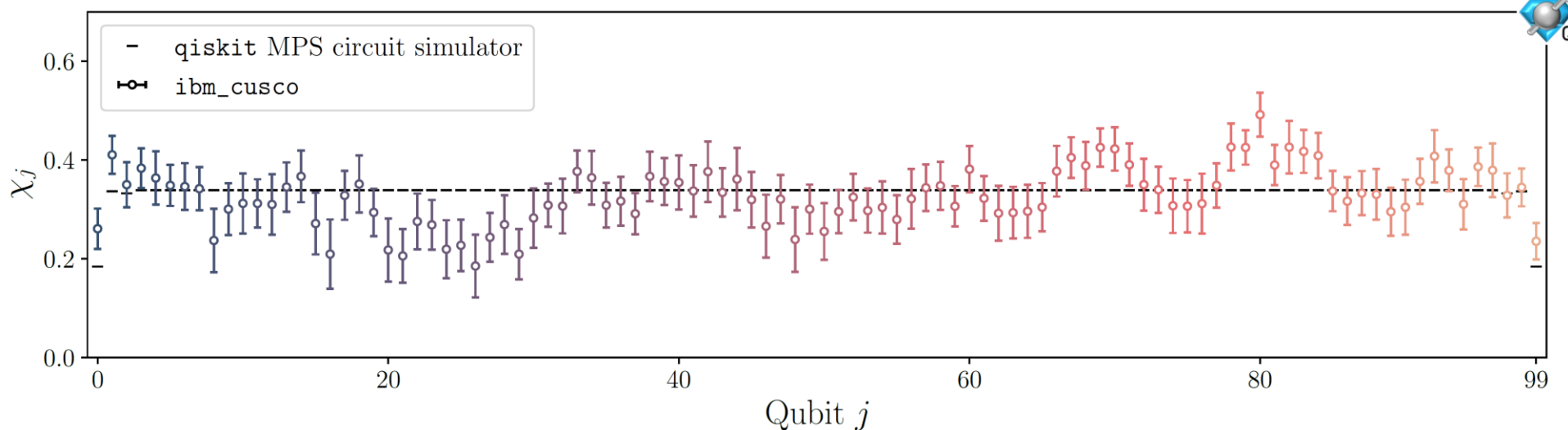
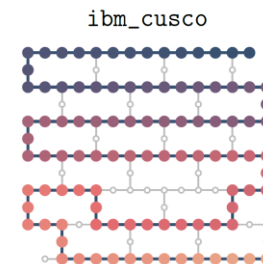
Sign(tension) changes as changing θ -angle!!

100 qubit simulation of Schwinger model

(127-qubit device: **ibm_cusco** w/ error mitigation)

[Farrel-Illa-Ciavarella-Savage '23]

Ground state exp. of local chiral condensate :



Other simulations of Schwinger model

- decay of massive vacuum under time evolution
[cf. Martinez et al. *Nature* 534 (2016) 516-519]
- quenched dynamics of θ [Nagano-Bapat-Bauer '23]
- Schwinger model in open quantum system
[De Jong-Metcalf-Mulligan-Ploskon-Ringer-Yao '20, de Jong-Lee-Mulligan-Ploskon-Ringer-Yao '21, Lee-Mulligan-Ringer-Yao '23]
- 112 qubit simulation of meson propagation
[Farrell-Illa-Ciavarella-Savage '24]
- finding energy spectrum [MH-Ghim, work in progress]
- finite temperature [Itou-Sun-Pedersen-Yunoki '23]

etc...

Scattering in Thirring model

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[Chai-Crippa-Jansen-Kuhn-Pascuzzi-Tacchino-Tavernelli '23]

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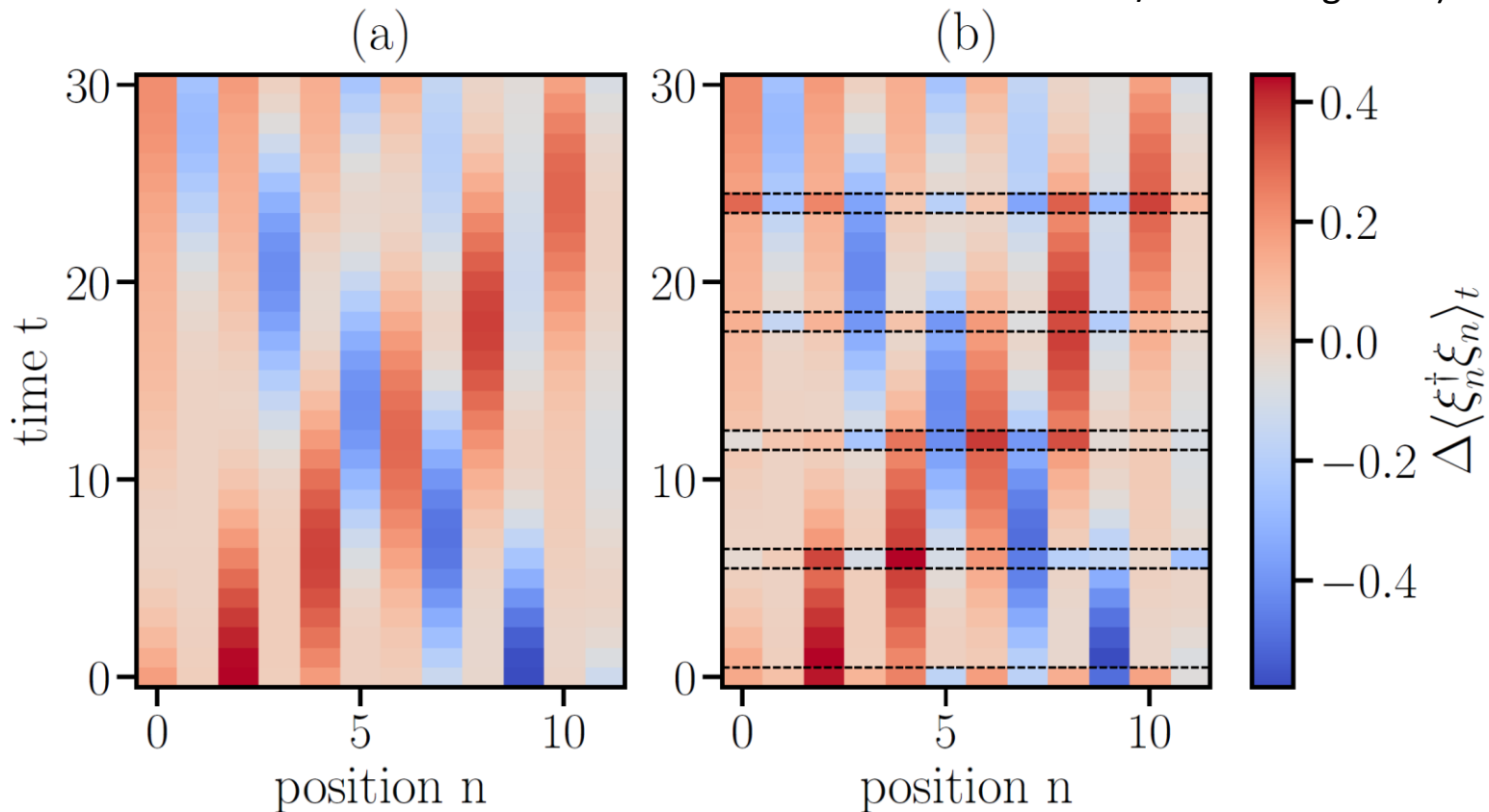
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Particle density of two wave packets:

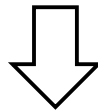
(12-qubit device: **ibm_peekskill**
w/ error mitigation)



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Go to higher dimensions!

[MH, work in progress]



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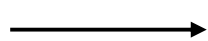
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Jordan-Wigner



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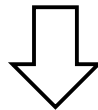
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▪ 2d ($N \times N$ square lattice)

Relabeling site (i, j) like 1d label (say $n = i + Nj$),

$$\chi_{(i,j+1)}^\dagger \chi_{(i,j)} = \chi_{I+N}^\dagger \chi_I \xrightarrow{\text{JW}} \exists X_{I+N}X_I \prod_{i=I+1}^{I+N-1} Z_i, \text{ etc...}$$

(cf. $\mathcal{O}(\log N)$ for Bravyi-Kitaev trans.)

non-local

Application of a new map to field theory

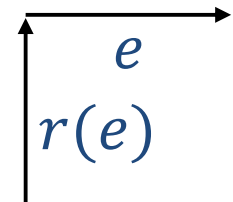
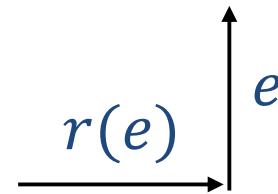
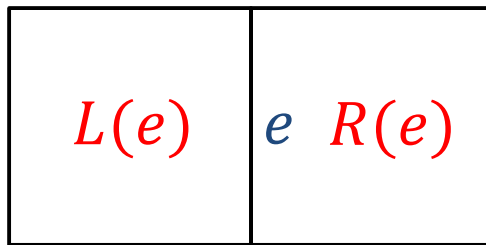
[Chen-Kapustin-Radicevic '17]

2 Majorana fermions on face \longleftrightarrow Spin op. on edge

$$(-1)^{F_f} = -i\gamma_f\gamma'_f \longleftrightarrow W_f. \quad S_e = i\gamma_{L(e)}\gamma'_{R(e)} \longleftrightarrow U_e$$

where $W_f = \prod_{e \subset f} Z_e. \quad U_e = X_e Z_{r(e)}.$

“Gauss law” constraint at site v : $W_{NE(v)} \prod_{e \supset v} X_e = 1.$



ex.) $H = t \sum_e (c_{L(e)}^\dagger c_{R(e)} + c_{R(e)}^\dagger c_{L(e)}) + \mu \sum_f c_f^\dagger c_f.$

$\implies H = \frac{t}{2} \sum_e X_e Z_{r(e)} (1 - W_{L(e)} W_{R(e)}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \sum_f (1 - W_f) \quad \text{local}$

Some other applications

- Efficient simulation of (2+1)d U(1) gauge th. [Kane-Grabowska-Nachman-Bauer '22]
- Inflation (scalar in curved spacetime) [Liu-Li '20]
- Chiral fermion [Hayata-Nakayama-Yamamoto '23]
- Quantum group approach to Non-abelian gauge th. [Zache-Gonzalez-Cuadra-Zoller '23, Hayata-Hidaka '23]
- Conformal bootstrap [Bao-Liu '18]
- Dark sector showers [Chigusa-Yamazaki '22, Bauer-Chigusa-Yamazaki '23]
- Measurement-based quantum computation [Okuda-Sukeno '22]
- quantum machine learning [Nagano-Miessen-Onodera-Tavernelli-Tacchino-Terashi '23, etc...]
- String/M-theory [Gharibyan-Hanada-MH-Liu '20] etc...

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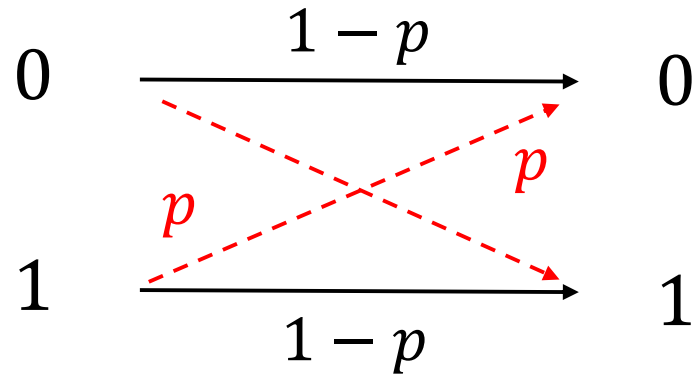
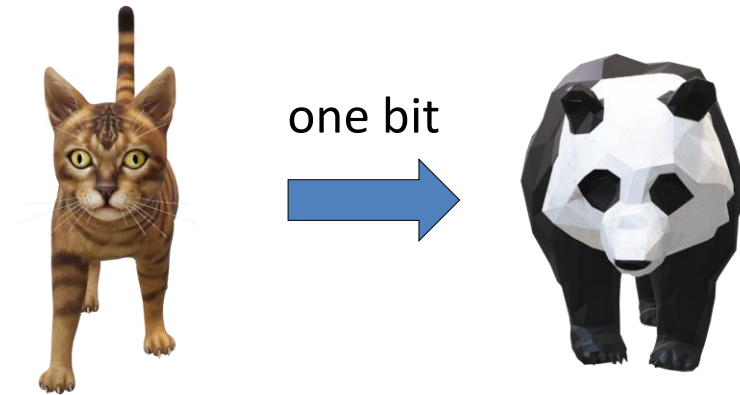
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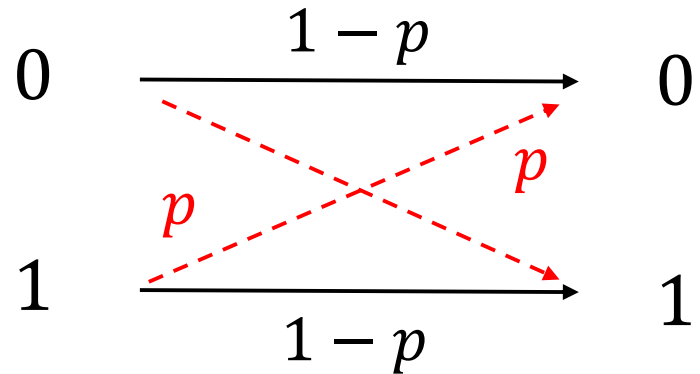
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A simple way to correct errors:

① Duplicate the bit (**encoding**): $0 \rightarrow 000$, $1 \rightarrow 111$

② Error detection & correction by “**majority voting**”:

$001 \rightarrow 000$, $011 \rightarrow 111$, etc...

$\rightarrow P_{\text{failed}} = 3p^2(1-p) + p^3$ (improved if $p < 1/2$)

Quantum Error Correction

1. Encoding

$$|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow |\psi_E\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_E \quad (\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{H}_E)$$

2. Error detection

Take set of operators $\{O_1, \dots\}$ s.t.

$$O_i|\psi_E\rangle = |\psi_E\rangle, \quad O_i(\text{error})|\psi_E\rangle \neq (\text{error})|\psi_E\rangle$$

Then find eigenvalues of O_i 's using ancillary qubits

3. Error recovery

Act “inverse of error” based on the eigenvalues

relations between QEC & gauge theory

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4. \exists proposals on relations among QEC & concepts in HEP

ex.) Holography, Black hole, CFT, Renormalization group

[Almheiri-Dong-Harlow '14, Hayden-Preskill '07, Dymarsky-Shapere '20, Kawabata-Nishioka-Okuda '22, Furuya-Lashkari-Moosa '21, etc...]

What I'm doing...

[MH, work in progress]

to make dictionary for classes of codes/gauge theories:

QEC

errors

logical qubits

“no error conditions”
(stabilizer)

logical op.

ancilla for recovery

⋮

Gauge theory

unphysical op. (& excitation)

physical states (w/ low energy)

Gauss law (& min[energy])

gauge invariant op.

additional matter

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QFT as a generator of error correcting code?

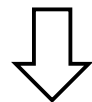
Toric code

- Lattice model interpreted as QEC
- Low energy effective theory = QFT (BF theory)

QFT \leftrightarrow Lattice model \leftrightarrow QEC

Idea : if we get something new in one of them,
then try to fill the other parts

ex.) “Dipolar” generalization of Toric code [Pace-Wen '22]



corresponds to a “layer” of BF theory w/ some rule

[Ebisu-MH-Nakanishi '23]

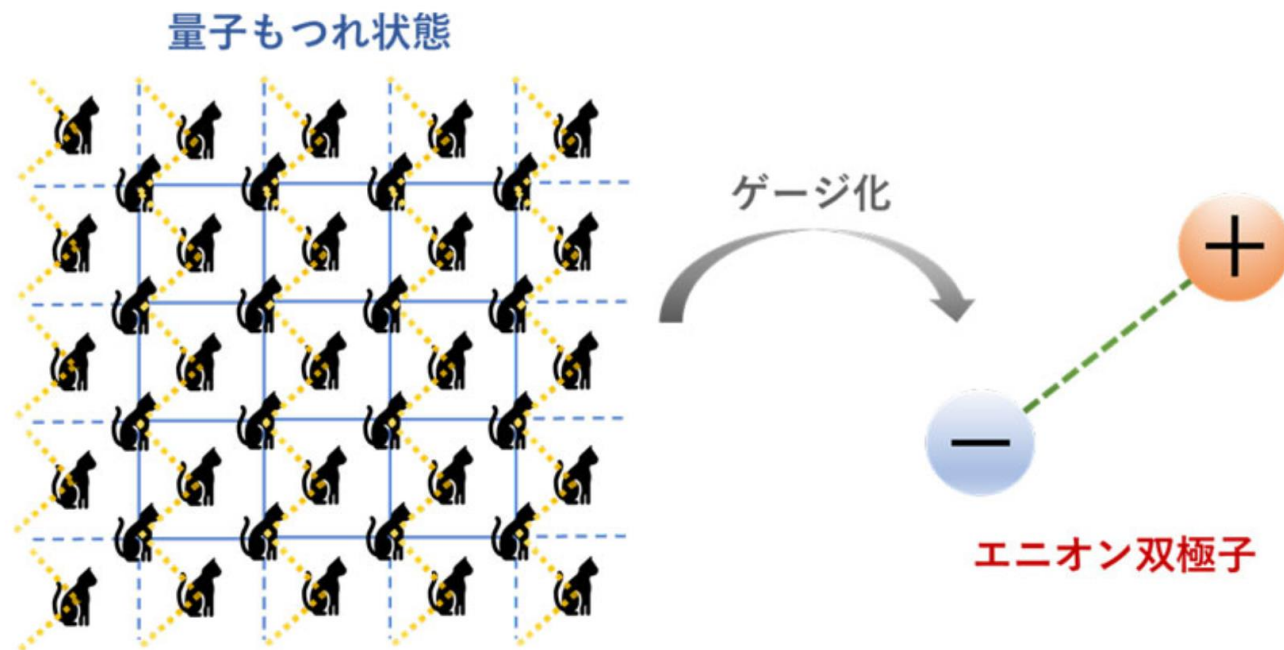
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液体・固体・気体など物質は状況に応じて異なる状態（相）を持つことがあり、相を理解することは物理学で重要な課題です。現代的な相の分類においては、エニオンと呼ばれる分数電荷を持つ準粒子が重要であり、量子コンピュータへの応用の観点からも研究されています。

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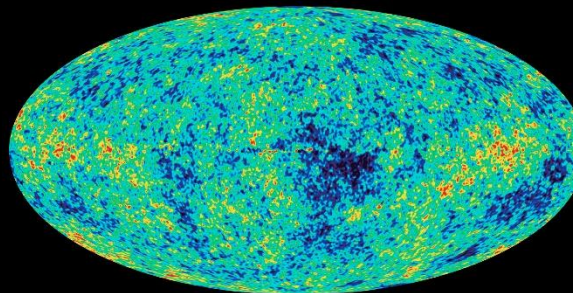
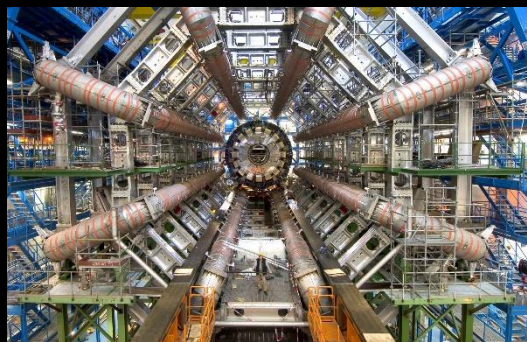
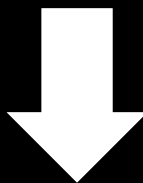
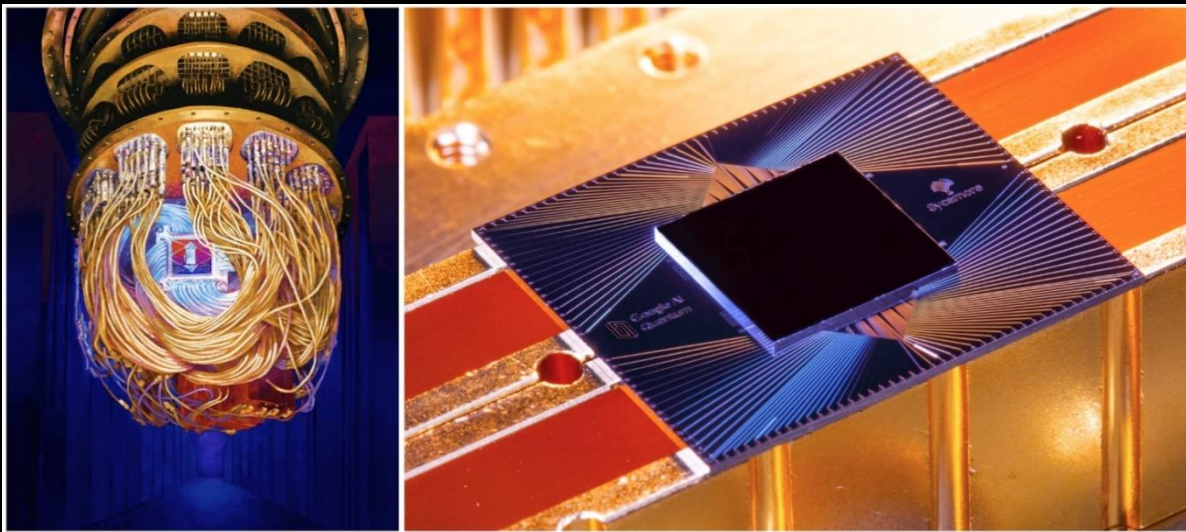


図：量子もつれの状態を導入し（左）ゲージ化を考えることで、双極子を持つエニオンの存在（右）を明らかにした。

The background of the slide features a Foucault pendulum, a large-scale demonstration of Earth's rotation. It consists of a long wire suspended from a high point, with a heavy bob at the end. The pendulum is shown in a wide, shallow arc. The scene is set against a bright, hazy sky with a sun visible in the upper center, casting a soft glow. The overall color palette is warm and light, with yellows, oranges, and pale blues. The word "Summary" is centered in a large, black, sans-serif font.

Summary

Long term goal



etc...

Challenges

- needs real device w/ certain specification
(qubit #, fidelity, etc...)
- pioneers problems efficiently solved by QC

To do: (except waiting for development of hardware)

- bench mark, estimation of required computational resource
- inventing/improving methods → reduces required resource
 - developing lattice field theory in operator formalism
 - especially finding nice regularization of gauge theory
- Quantum field theory → Quantum computation?
 - proposing new error correcting codes etc...

Thanks!