

# Theory to Enable Practical Quantum Advantage

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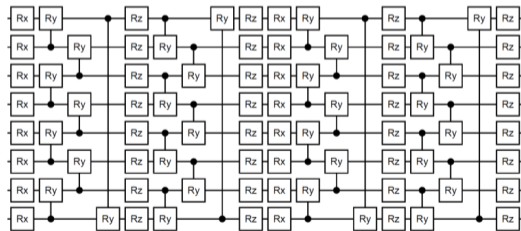


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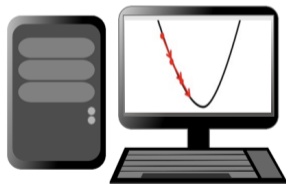
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- extract information  $E(\underline{\theta}) = \langle \psi(\underline{\theta}) | \mathcal{H} | \psi(\underline{\theta}) \rangle$  using **error mitigation**
- **training** to find solution parameters  $\underline{\theta}^*$



parameter update



expectation values



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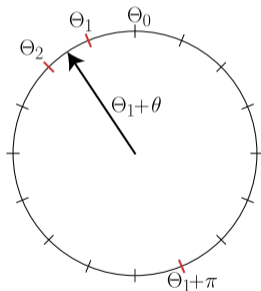
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- most algorithms need  $\mathcal{R}(\theta)$  with  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$
- but classical control at cryogenic T
- $B$  bits discretisation: limited precision in  $\theta$



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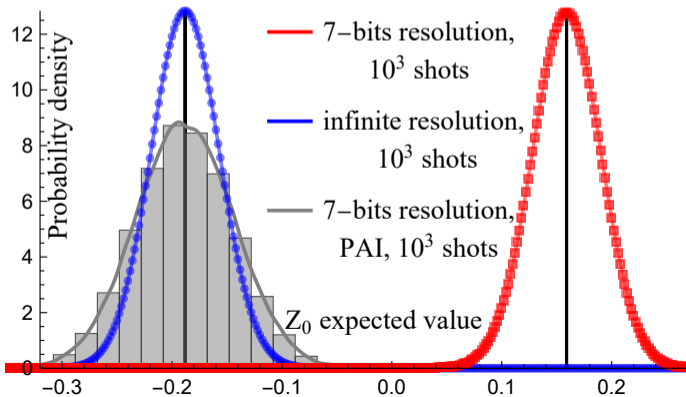
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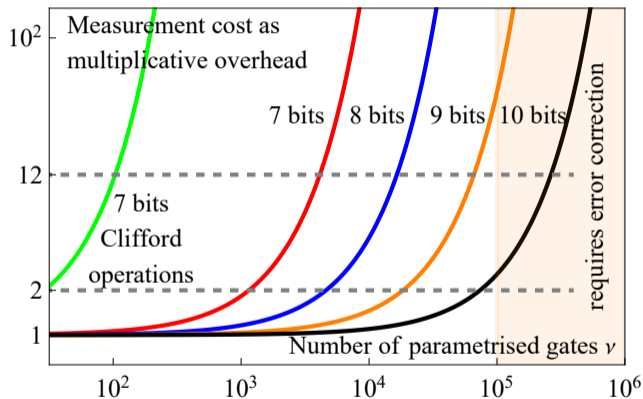
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## Theorem:

- best possible protocol:  $\Theta_k$ ,  $\Theta_{k+1}$  and  $\Theta_k + \pi + \frac{\Delta}{2}$
- yields minimal overhead  $\|\gamma\|_1$  (cost)



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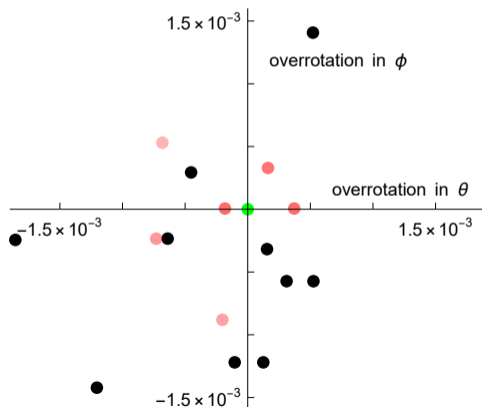
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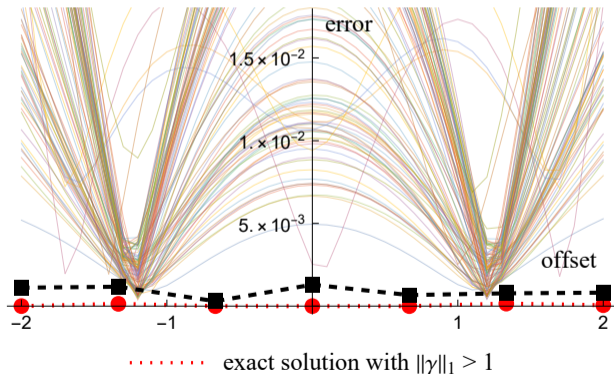


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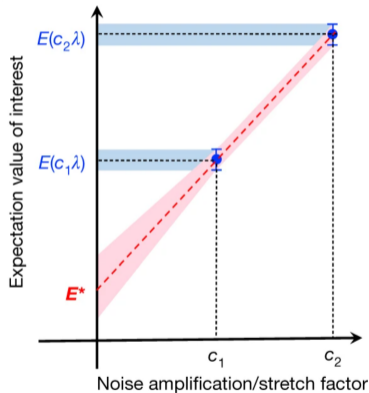
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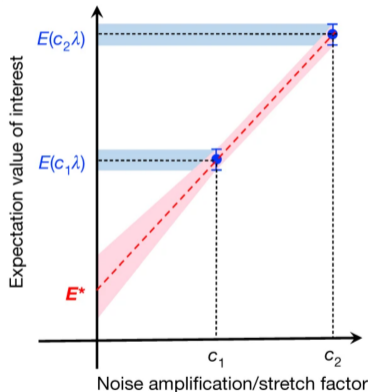
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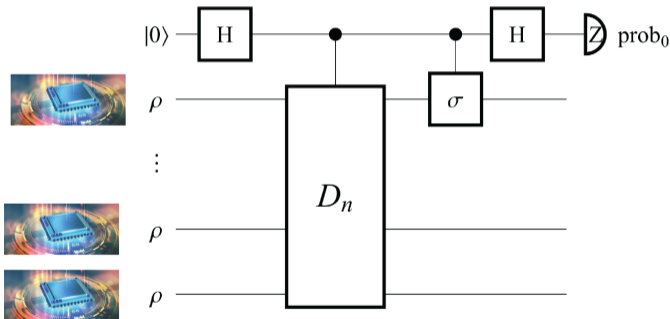


many techniques/tricks – **no theoretical guarantees**

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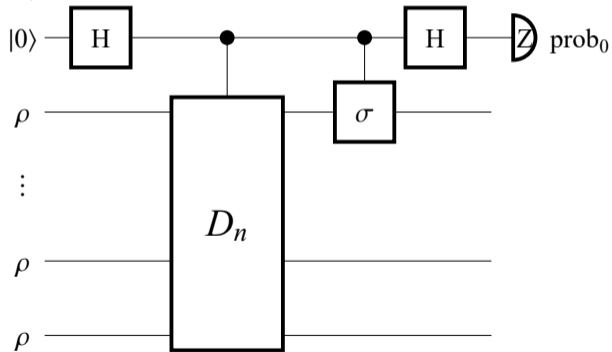
# Error Suppression by Derangements (ESD)

- we use  $n$  cores to prepare copies of  $\rho$
- want to measure expectation value of  $\sigma$
- error is suppressed exponentially as  $Q^n$  with  $Q < 1$

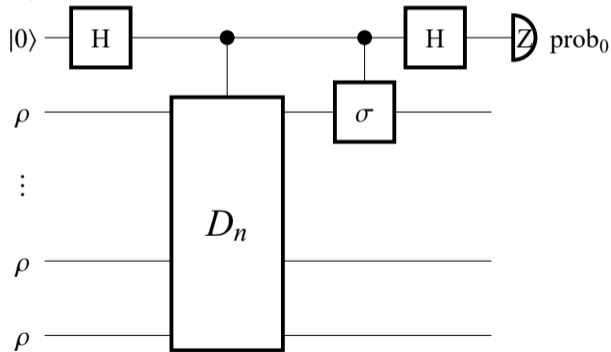


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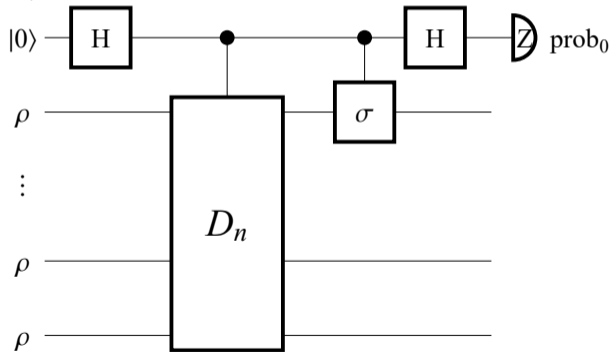
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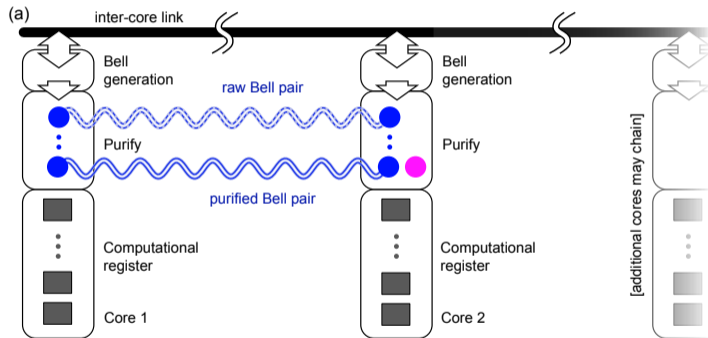


Formally: 
$$\frac{\text{Tr}[\rho^n \sigma]}{\text{Tr}[\rho^n]}$$



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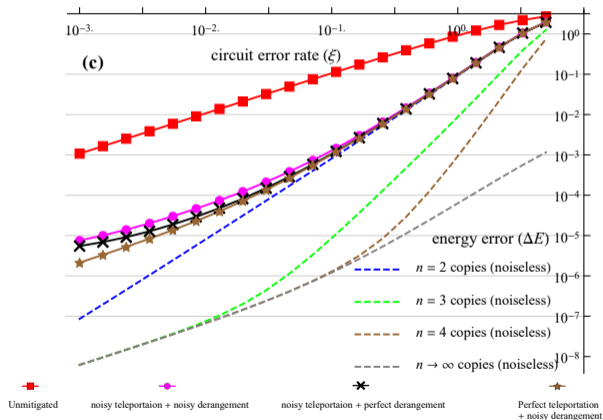
- Bell pairs between quantum cores (silicon, ion traps...)
- quantum teleportation enables error mitigation



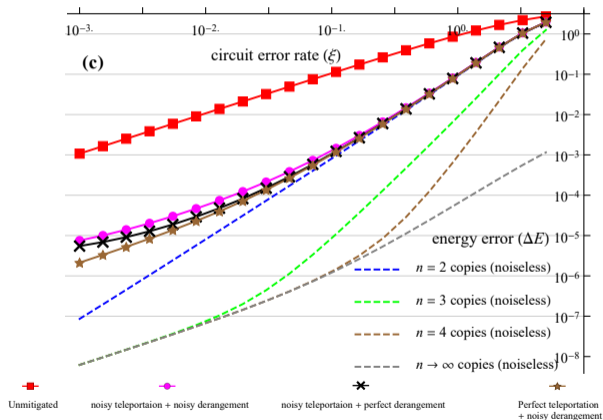
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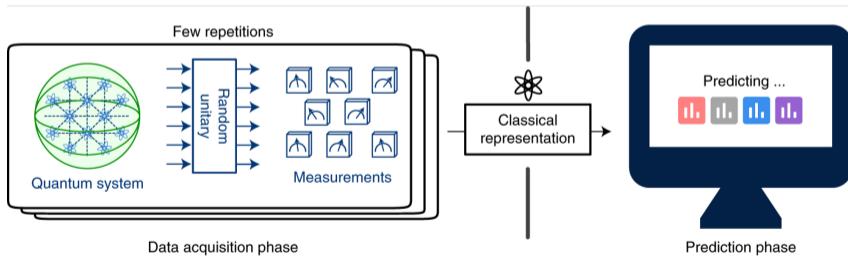
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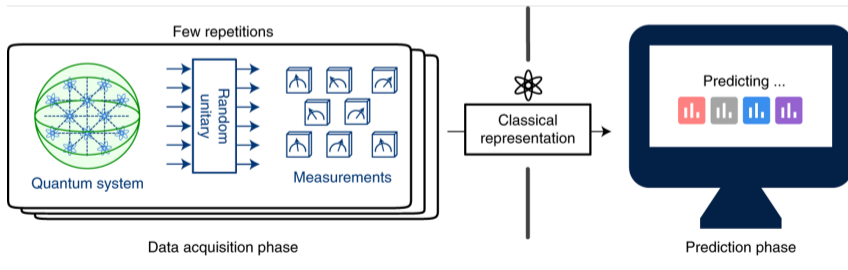
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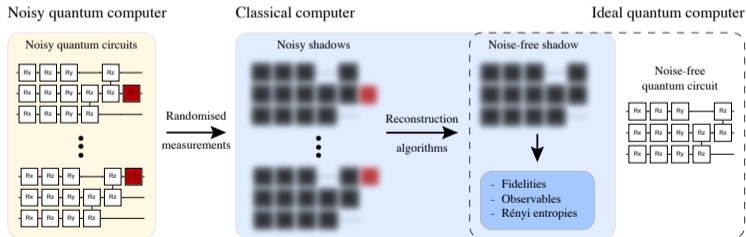
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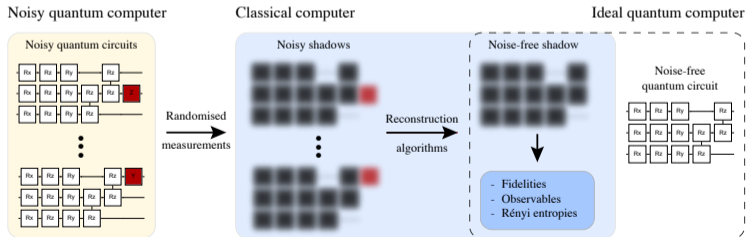


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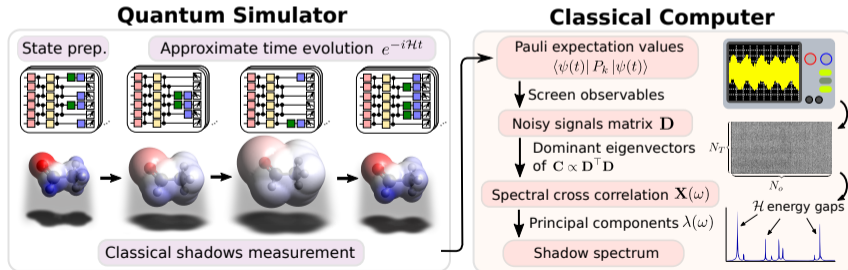
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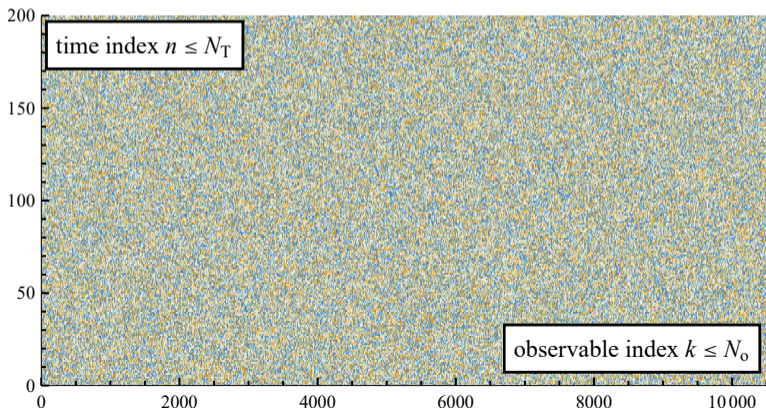
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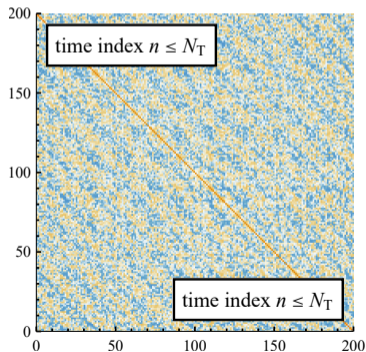
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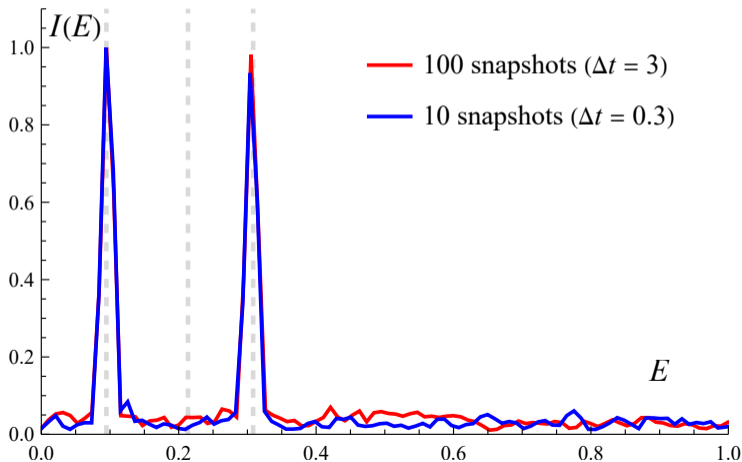
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- spectrum via Fourier transform
- peaks are gaps in  $\mathcal{H}$  with  $|\psi(0)\rangle \propto (1, \frac{1}{10}, \frac{1}{10}, \dots)$

shadow spectrum



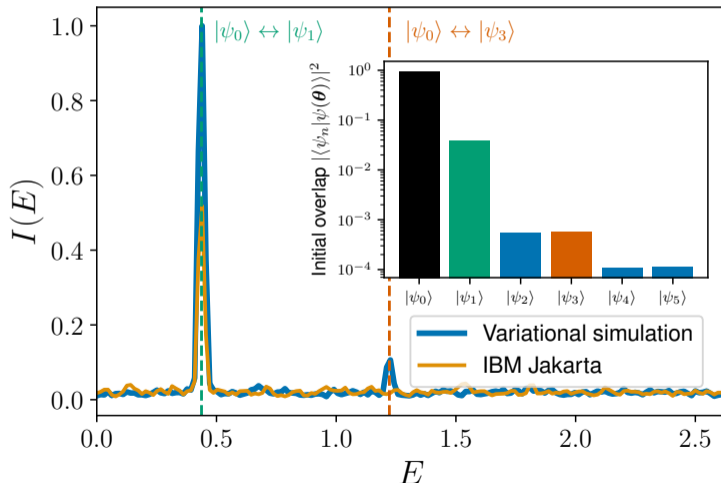


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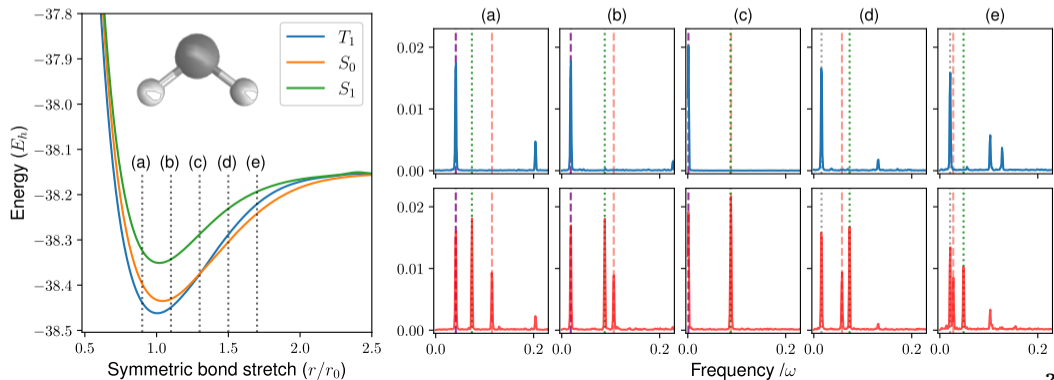
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**Theorem:** gate noise does not change peak position!

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- local observables expected to give intense signals
- rich information: peak to observable assignment



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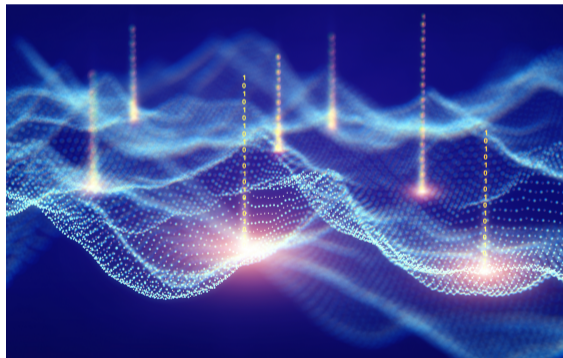
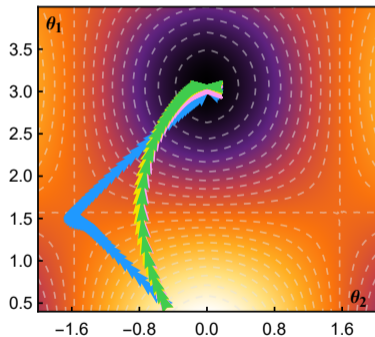
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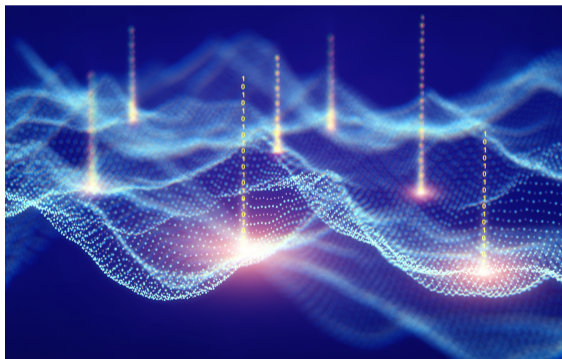
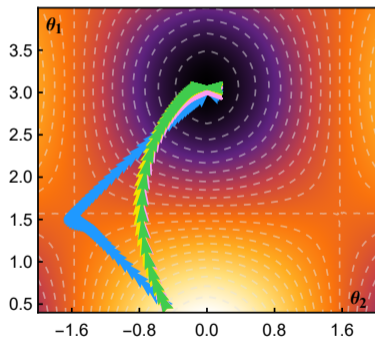
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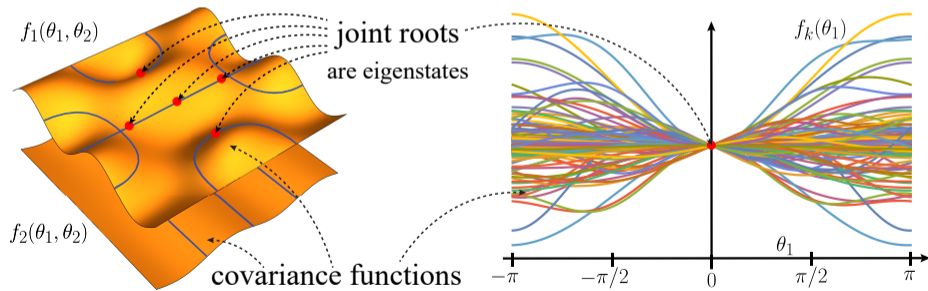
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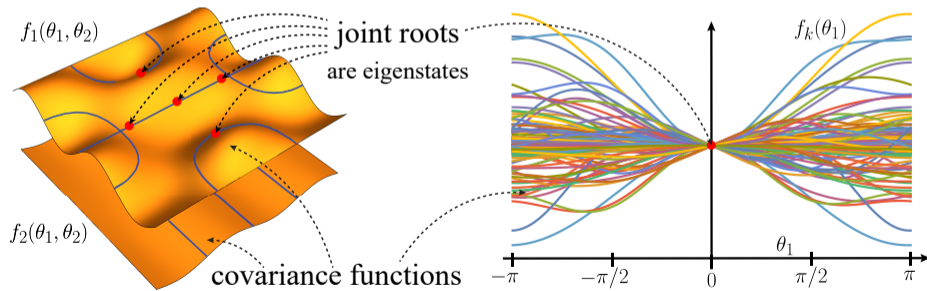
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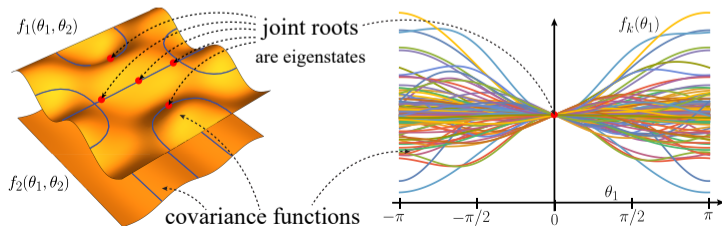
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- covariance depends on parameters via state  $|\psi(\underline{\theta})\rangle$

**task:** find parameters  $\theta$  such that  $\text{Cov}_A = 0$  for any  $A$

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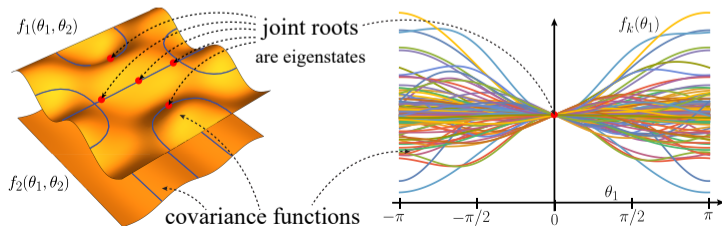
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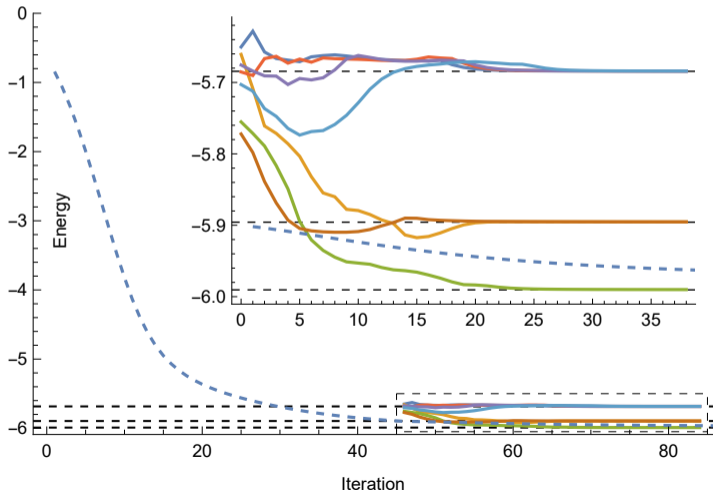
**Newton:** linearise  $\mathbf{f}$  with Jacobian  $\mathbf{J}$  and iterate

$$\underline{\theta}_{t+1} = \underline{\theta}_t - \mathbf{J}^{-1}\mathbf{f}$$



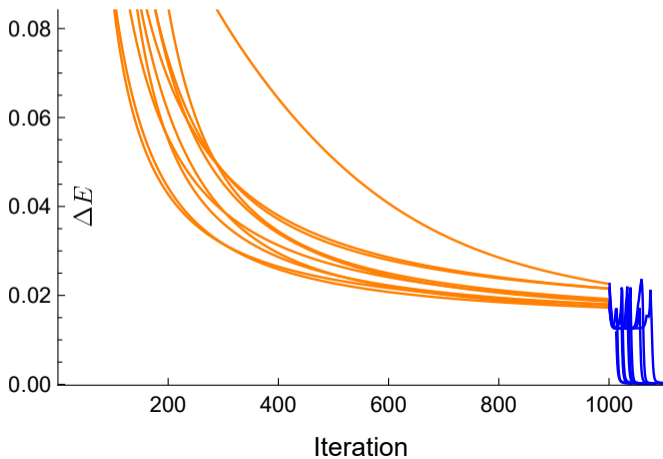
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# Emulation in Mathematica: QuESTLink

Download the QuEST Mathematica package

```
In[1]:= Import["https://quest.qtechtheory.org/QuEST.m"];
```

Connect to the remote Igor server (which must be running)

```
In[2]:= env = CreateRemoteQuESTEnv[45];
```

Create two 25-qubit registers, which are stored on Igor

```
In[3]:=  $\psi$  = CreateQureg @ 25;
```

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 $\phi$  = CreateQureg @ 25;
```

```
In[5]:= InitPlusState @  $\psi$ ;
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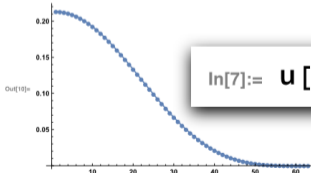
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An example computation done lightning fast using Igor's Quadro P6000

```
In[7]:= u[ $\theta$ _] := H2 T4 H0 RX1[ $\theta$ ] C3[RY10[ $\theta$ ]];
```

```
In[9]:= fids = Table[  
  CalcFidelity[ApplyCircuit[u[ $\theta$ ],  $\psi$ ,  $\phi$ ],  $\psi$ ],  
  { $\theta$ , 0, 2  $\pi$ , .1}];
```

```
In[10]:= ListLinePlot[fids, PlotMarkers -> Automatic]
```



```
In[7]:= u[ $\theta$ _] := H2 T4 H0 RX1[ $\theta$ ] C3[RY10[ $\theta$ ]];
```

Disconnect from Igor

```
In[11]:= DestroyAllQuregs[];
```

```
In[12]:= DestroyQuESTEnv @ env;
```



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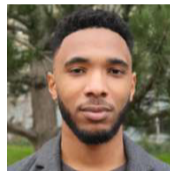
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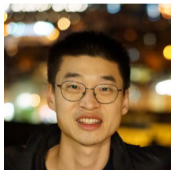
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