

Discrete, Non-Abelian Gauge Theory on a Quantum Annealer

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QCD phase diagram

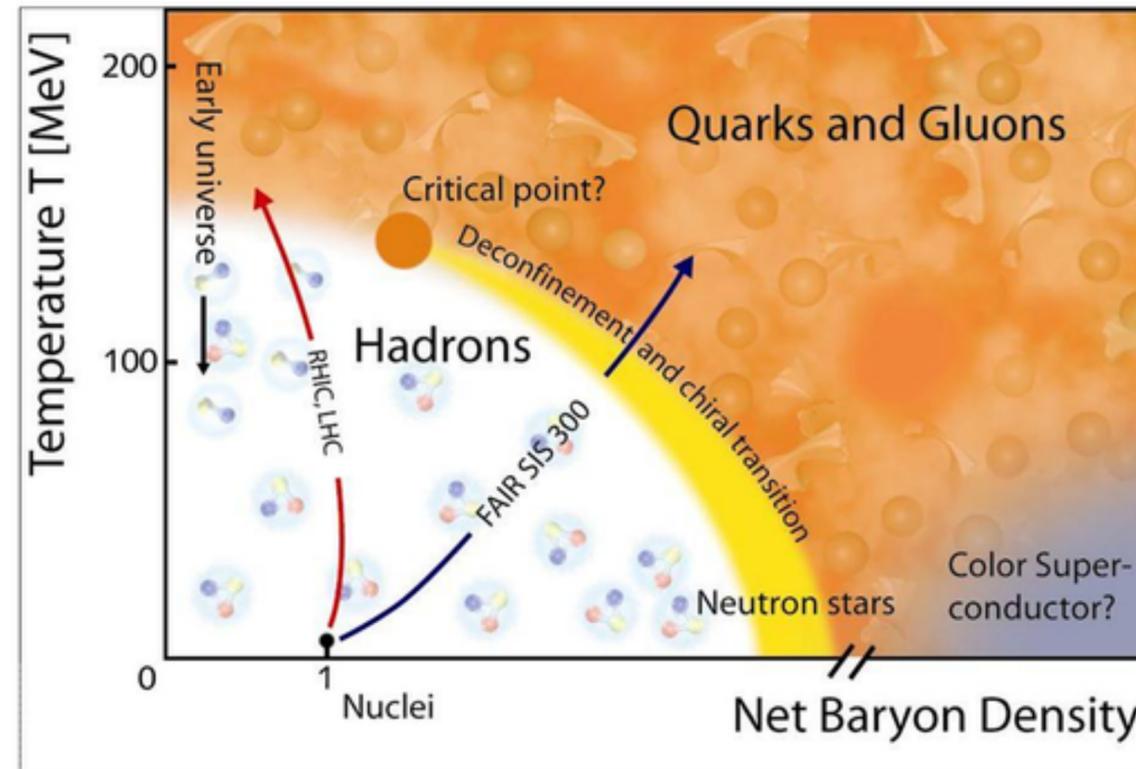


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- Large part of the phase diagram accessible only by non-perturbative methods, i.e. via simulation
- Quantum nature of system: Simulation methods relying on importance sampling fail (“Sign Problem”)
 - Restricted parameter space of phase diagram directly numerically accessible (essentially only T-axis)
 - Alternative methods: Tensor networks, **quantum simulation** (digital, analog)

Quantum Systems as Simulation Platforms

- **Analog quantum computation**

- Encode the properties (Hamiltonian H) of your quantum system of interest in another “fully-controlled” quantum system,
- Once prepared, time evolution happens continuously (hence **analog** and not step-wise / digital)
- Often “special purpose”, i.e. limited to specific interactions but scalable
- Ex.: Ultracold atoms on optical lattices, trapped ions

- **Digital QC**

- Ex: Superconducting (transmon) qubits on a “chip”, e.g. latest IBM architecture (IBM “Eagle”, Nov.’21) with 127 qubits
- Computations on set of qubits defined as sequential (hence **digital**) application of gates on this set
- Programmable (in this sense universal) but currently hampered by noise (**Noisy Intermediate Scale Quantum** era)
- Simulation of quantum system via e.g.
 - State preparation and measurement (in the context of variational approaches)
 - Quantum dynamics by stroboscopic time evolution (“Trotterization”)

- **Other:** Quantum Annealer, D-Wave Advantage with $> 5K$ qb

[1] Parra-Rodriguez, A. et al., Phys. Rev. A 101, 022305 (2020)

[2] Wiese, Uwe-Jens, Phil.Trans.A.Math.Phys.Eng.Sci. 380 (2021)

Quantum Simulation for HEP

Digital Quantum Simulation

- Use **Hamiltonian Formulation of Lattice QCD**

$$\hat{H}_{KS} = \hat{H}_{FB} + \hat{H}_M + \hat{H}_{B,mag} + \hat{H}_{B,kin}$$

- Fermions $\hat{H}_{FB}, \hat{H}_M \dots$ contrary to Monte-Carlo approaches **not** problematic, efficient formulations for quantum simulations known (Jordan-Wigner in $d = 1$, Cirac-Verstraete and others^[1] for $d > 1$)
- Gauge bosons $\hat{H}_{FB}, \hat{H}_{B,mag}, \hat{H}_{B,kin}$ have to be approximated as their Hilbert Space is infinite, additional constraint Gauss' law, efficient approaches under development^[2,3]
- Count of logical qubits ? Rough estimate^[4] $\mathcal{O}(10^5)$

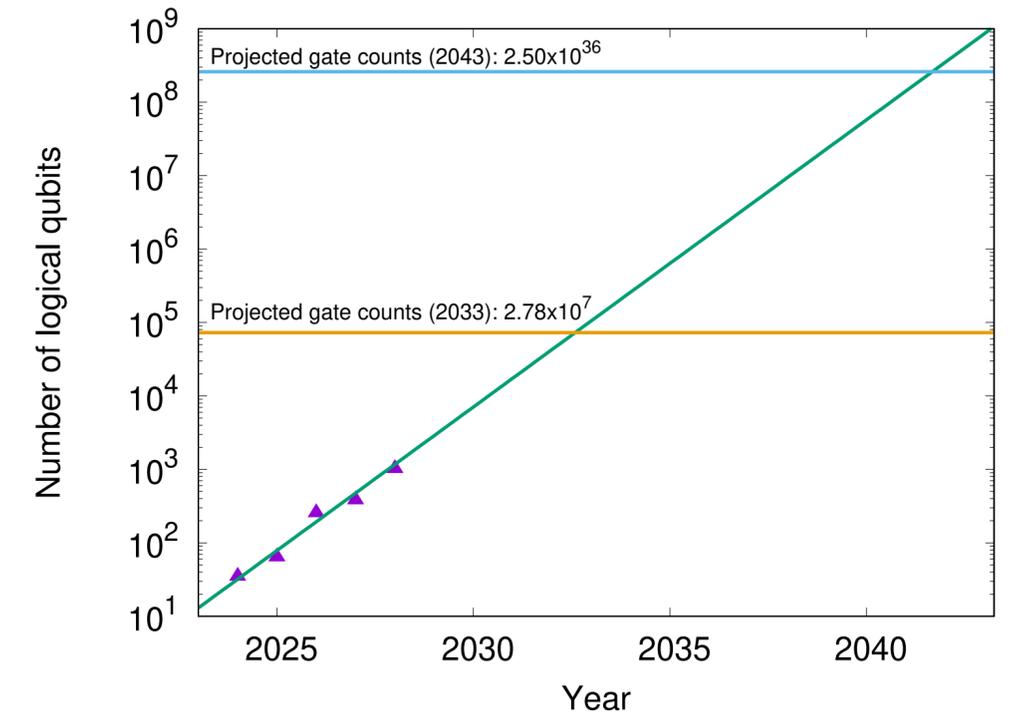


Fig. taken from ^[4]

[1] Irmejs, R. et al., arXiv:2206.08909 [quant-ph]

[2] Davoudi, Z. et al., Phys. Rev. D 104, 074505 (2021)

[3] Gustafson, E. et al., Snowmass 2021 LOI TF10-07

[4] Kan, A. et al., arXiv:2107.12769 [quant-ph]

Quantum Simulation for HEP

Thermal States

To access finite temperature range, need to prepare mixed state

$$\rho \sim \exp(-\beta\hat{H}) \sim \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i} |i\rangle\langle i|,$$

But current quantum devices are built to prepare pure states $|\psi\rangle$... approaches ?

- Thermal Pure Quantum States^[1] $|\beta, N\rangle = e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}\hat{H}} |\psi_R\rangle$, with random Haar-state $|\psi_R\rangle$ prepared from random circuits
 - Involves non-unitary transformation (approx. by e.g. QITE^[2] or embedding into larger system)

- **Variational approaches** “ β -VQE” or “VQT”^[3]

- Classical machine for sampling and optimisation $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \min$
- Quantum device
 - stores/prepares state
 - computes $\langle H \rangle$ efficiently
- **But:** Entropy S_θ does not need to be prepared classically

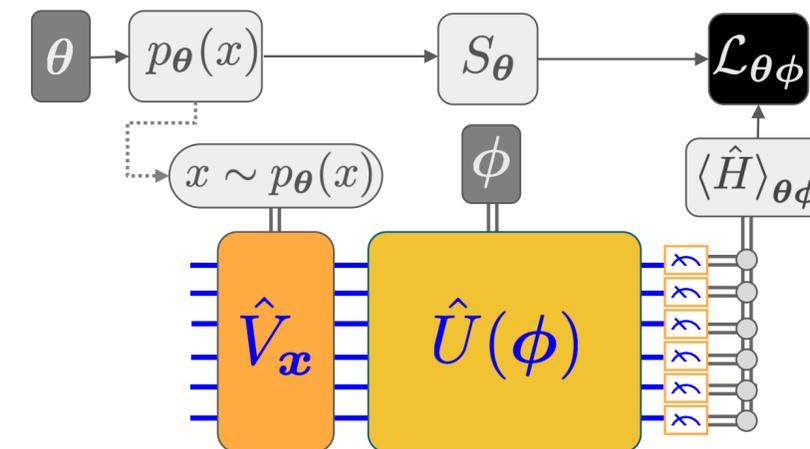


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[1] Powers et al., arXiv: 2109.01619 [quant-ph]

[2] Motta et al., Nature Physics 16, 205-210 (2020)

[3] Verdon et al., arXiv: 1910.02071 [quant-ph]

Quantum Simulation for HEP

Thermal States

- “Sampling” by mid-circuit measurement “qVQT”^[1]

$$F(\theta, \phi) = \langle \hat{H} \rangle - T \langle \hat{S} \rangle \rightarrow \min$$

- Can it be generalised to gauge theories ?

- Additional constraint of Gauss’ law

$$G(x) |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle,$$

- Circuits have to preserve gauge invariance
- State after measurement to be invariant state
- Parameter count θ_i, ϕ_i has to remain modest
- ...

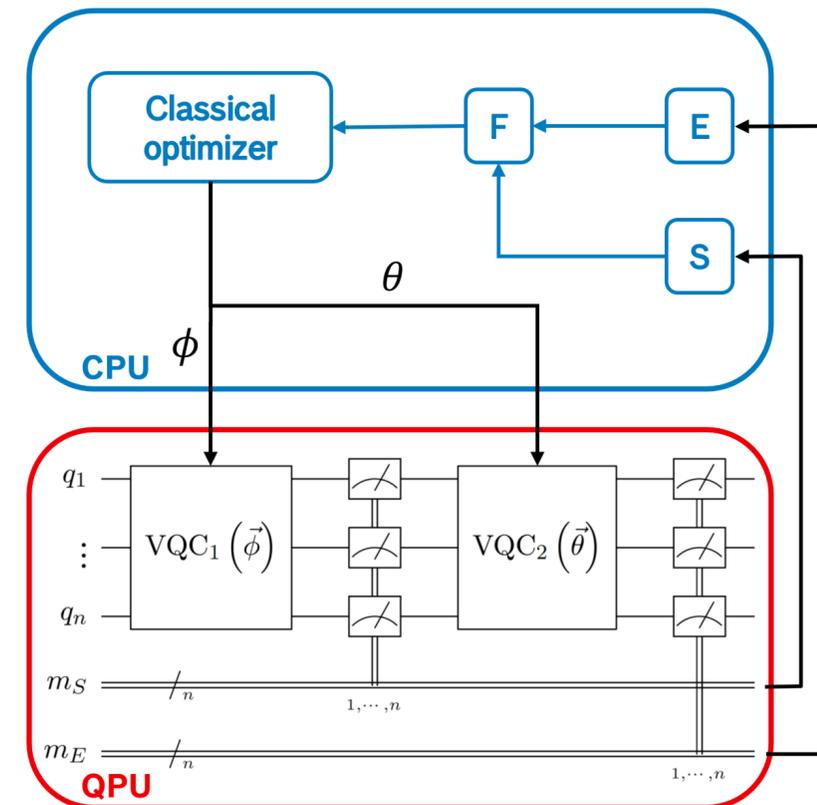


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Quantum Simulation for HEP

Quantum Annealing

QA^[1] using Quantum Adiabatic Principle

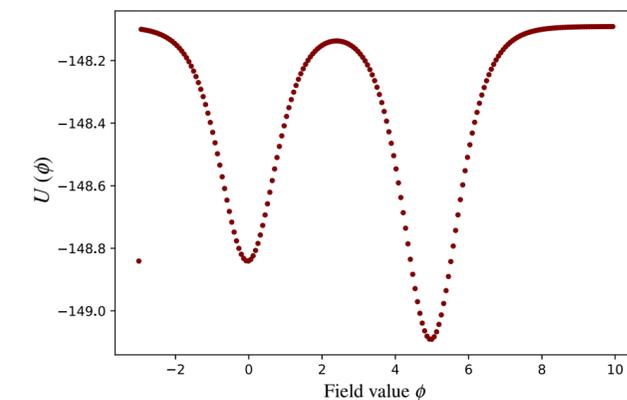
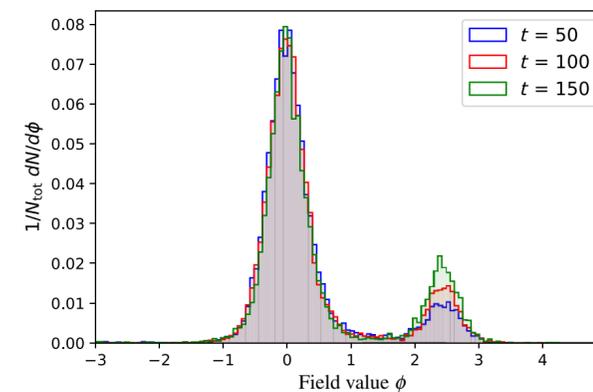
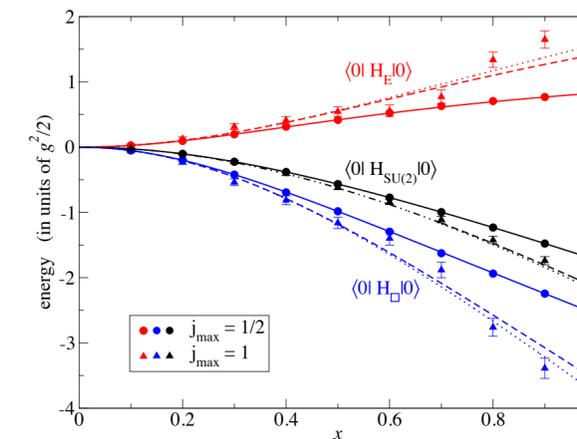
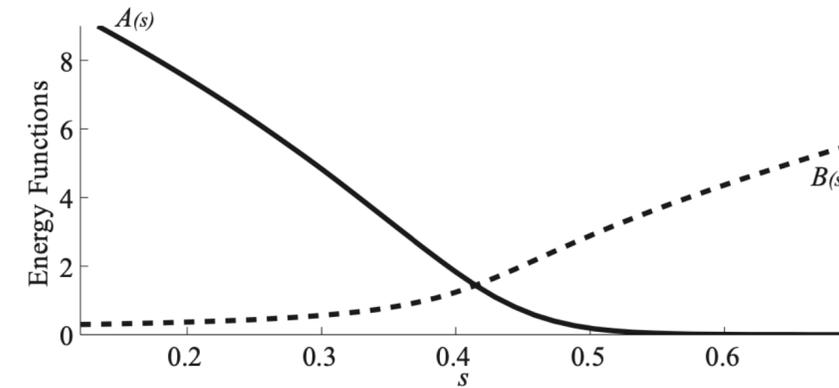
$$H_{QA} = A(s) H_I + B(s) H_{KS}$$

At end of annealing schedule ground-state of target Hamiltonian H_{KS} retrieved .

- Ground-state calculation for (truncated) SU(N), N=2,3 gauge theory^[2,3] via variational principle

$$E_0 \leq \frac{\langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle},$$

- Annealer as quantum lab for e.g. tunnelling processes of quantum field theories^[4]



[1] Catherine C. McGeoch, Synthesis Lectures on Quantum Computing 2014 5:2, 1-93

[2] Rahman, S. et al., Phys. Rev. D 104, 034501 (2021)

[3] Illa, Marc and Savage, Martin J., arXiv: 2202.12340 [quant-ph]

[4] Abel, S. and Spannowsky, M., PRX Quantum 2, 010349 (2021)

Gauge Theory Digitization

Quantum Annealing

Recapitulation: Basic Ingredients for Digitization of Gauge Theory (for general Lie group G)

Kogut-Susskind^[1] Hamiltonian H_{KS} on Hilbert Space $\mathcal{H} = \bigotimes_{\ell} \mathcal{H}_{\ell}$,

$$H_{KS} = \lambda_E \sum_{x,\mu,\alpha} (E^{\alpha}(x, \mu))^2 - \lambda_B \sum_p \text{Tr}(U_p + U_p^{\dagger}), \quad \hat{U}_{mn}^j = \int dg D_{mn}^j(g) |g\rangle\langle g|$$

with quadratic Casimir components $(E^{\alpha})^2$ and link operators \hat{U}_{mn}^j building the plaquette p where $g \in G$.

Gauge Invariance

$$\theta_g^R |h\rangle = |hg^{-1}\rangle \text{ and } \theta_g^L |h\rangle = |g^{-1}h\rangle \text{ have } \theta_g^L \hat{U}_{mn}^j \theta_g^{L,\dagger} = D_{mk}^j(g) U_{kn}^j \text{ and } \theta_g^R \hat{U}_{mn}^j \theta_g^{R,\dagger} = U_{mk}^j D_{kn}^j(g)$$

Now define^[2] gauge transformation via $\hat{\Theta}_g(x) = \prod_{i,o} \hat{\theta}_g^{L,o}(x) \hat{\theta}_g^{R,\dagger,i}(x)$ and **Gauss's law** $\hat{\Theta}_g(x) |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle$.

[1] Kogut, John and Susskind, Leonard, Phys. Rev. D 11 (1975)

[2] see e.g. Bender, J. et al., New J. Phys. 20, 093001 (2018)

Gauge Theory Digitization

Quantum Annealing

One can approximate^[1] the infinite dimensional \mathcal{H}_ℓ ...

- ... in the **group element basis**, i.e. given the continuous gauge group G with states “labeled” by $\{ |g\rangle \}_{g \in G}$, one could choose a suitable finite subset^[2] / discrete subgroup G' ^[3], i.e. make \mathcal{H}_ℓ finite dimensional.

- ... in the **representation basis**, i.e. change of basis $\langle g | jmn \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\dim(j)}{|G|}} D_{mn}^j(g)$ with representation states $\{ |jmn\rangle \}$ (if G is a compact Lie group), where $j = 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \dots$ labels the irreducible representation and m, n label multiplicity within that irrep. One then truncates at a suitable j_{max} .

Other approaches^[4,5], involving a change in *dof*...

- **Quantum Link Models**
- **Loop-String-Hadron Formulation**

[1] Zohar, Erez, Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A.380 20210069 (2022)

[2] Hartung, T. et al., arXiv: 2201.09625 [hep-lat], see also talk by Timo Jakobs

[3] Alam, M. et al., Phys.Rev.D.105 (2022)

[4] Gustafson, E. et al., Snowmass 2021 LOI TF10-07

[5] Davoudi, Z. et al., Phys. Rev. D 104, 074505 (2021)

Gauge Invariance, Hilbert Space, Hamiltonian

Quantum Annealing

- Combine^[1] ideas of using a **discrete group** G and the **representation basis, motivation:**
 - Training in new approaches
 - Perhaps learn something useful, since we can e.g. compare the approximation J_{max} with the full “story” of G
- Steps ?
 1. Define a system and “build” the Hilbert Space while preserving Gauge Invariance
 2. Compute the Hamiltonian
 3. Calculate the spectrum (ground-state)
 4. ...

[1] MF, Philipsen, O. and Winterowd, Ch., arXiv: 2206.14679 [hep-lat]

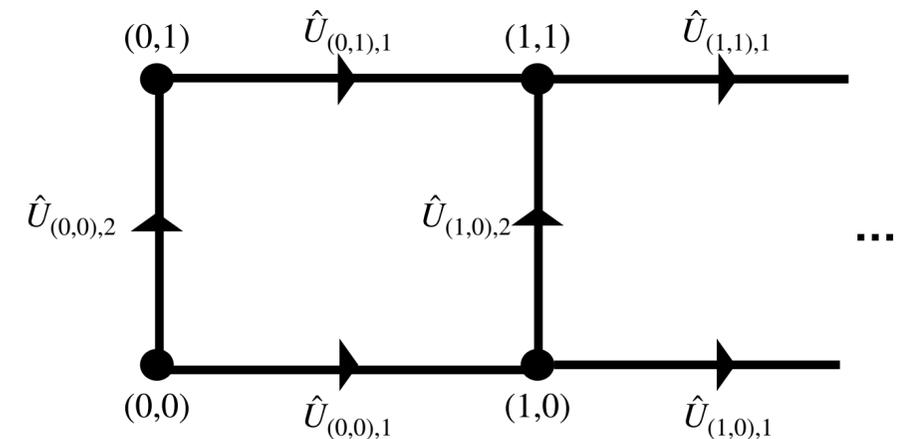
Define a system ...

Quantum Annealing

- Let's start with the choice of $G = D_n, n = 3, 4, \dots$, i.e. the Dihedral group
 - Finite, $|G| = 2n$, isometries of the regular N -polygon
 - Non-Abelian, serves e.g. as truncation to $O(2)$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$ and n odd.
 - Already studied in the context of gate-based computing with excellent description^[1]
 - Geometry: Let's start with a ladder of plaquettes ...

$$H_{KS} = H_E + H_B$$

$$H_B = \lambda_B \sum_p \text{Tr}(U_p + U_p^\dagger) \quad \text{and} \quad H_E = \lambda_E \sum_x \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{jmn} f_j |jmn\rangle_{x,i} \langle jmn|_{x,i}.$$



[1] Lamm, H. et al., Phys. Rev. D 100, 034518 (2019)

...“build” gauge-invariant Hilbert Space ...

Quantum Annealing

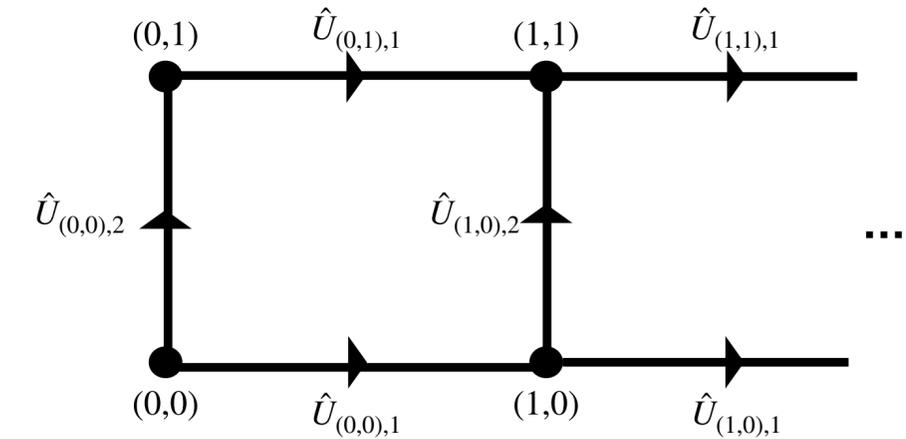
Start from the lattice with all links in the trivial rep $|000\rangle$

- Act^[1] with plaquette $U_p^{(2)}$ using

$$\hat{U}_{m'n'}^{(2)} |jmn\rangle = \sum_J \sum_M \sum_N \sqrt{\frac{\dim(j)}{\dim(J)}} \times \langle 2m'jm | JM \rangle \langle JM | 2n'jn \rangle |JMN\rangle$$

- Doing so in a systematic way creates an exact enumeration of \mathcal{H} whose size grows exponentially with L .
- Filter those configs of j 's who additionally satisfy **Gauss's law**, i.e. locally

$$|00\rangle_x = \sum_{m_I} \sum_{m_A} \sum_{m_E} (-)^{f(j_A, j_E, j_I, m_I)} |j_A m_A\rangle \otimes |j_E m_E\rangle \otimes |j_I m_I\rangle \begin{pmatrix} j_A & j_E & j_I \\ m_A & m_E & m_I \end{pmatrix}$$



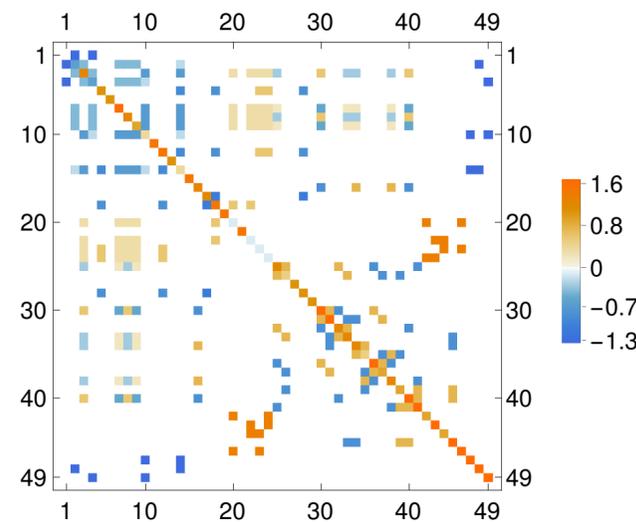
[1] Byrnes, Tim and Yamamoto, Yoshihisa, Phys. Rev. A73 (2006) 022328

Compute the Hamiltonian Quantum Annealing

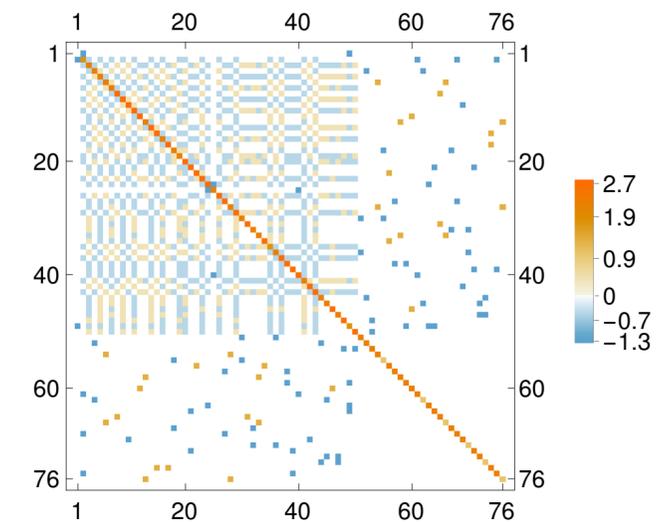
Once config space $\{j\}$ is labelled, compute $H_{ik} = \langle \psi_i | H_{KS} | \psi_k \rangle$ where $|\psi\rangle_{\{j\}} = \bigotimes_s |00\rangle_s(\{j\})$.

| N | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|-------|----|-----|-----------|
| D_3 | 49 | 251 | $O(1300)$ |
| D_4 | 76 | 392 | $O(2500)$ |

Table I. List of the size of the physical Hilbert space, N_{conf} , on a ladder of size N for D_3 and D_4 . The configurations are enumerated by a set of integers $\{j_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 3N\}$ characterizing the irrep of each link on whereby Gauss's law is satisfied at each site.



D_3



D_4

Spectrum ?

Quantum Annealing

- Ground-state calculation in variational formulation

$$E_0 \leq \frac{\langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle}, \text{ where } |\psi\rangle = \sum_i a_i |\psi\rangle_i \text{ with } a_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Can be cast into QUBO problem using binary variables $q_i \in \{0,1\}$ suitable for Quantum Annealer^[1,2]

$$a_\alpha^{(z+1)} = a_\alpha^{(z)} - \frac{q_{\alpha,K}}{2^z} + \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \frac{q_{\alpha,i}}{2^{K-i+z}},$$

$$F = \langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle - \eta \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = \sum_{\alpha,\beta}^{N_{\text{conf}}} \sum_{i,j}^K Q_{\alpha\beta,ij} q_{\alpha,i} q_{\beta,j}$$

[1] Rahman, S. et al., Phys. Rev. D 104, 034501 (2021)

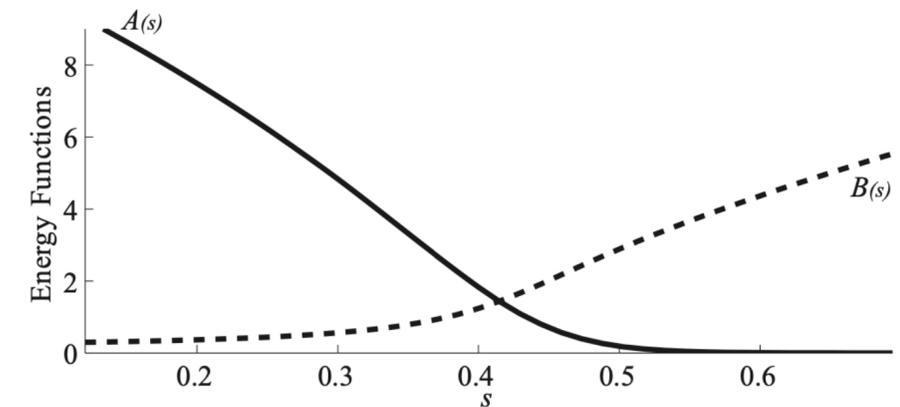
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Ground-State Calculation

Quantum Annealing

Computations done on D-Wave QA in forward annealing mode^[1]

$$H_{QA} = A(s) H_I + B(s) H$$

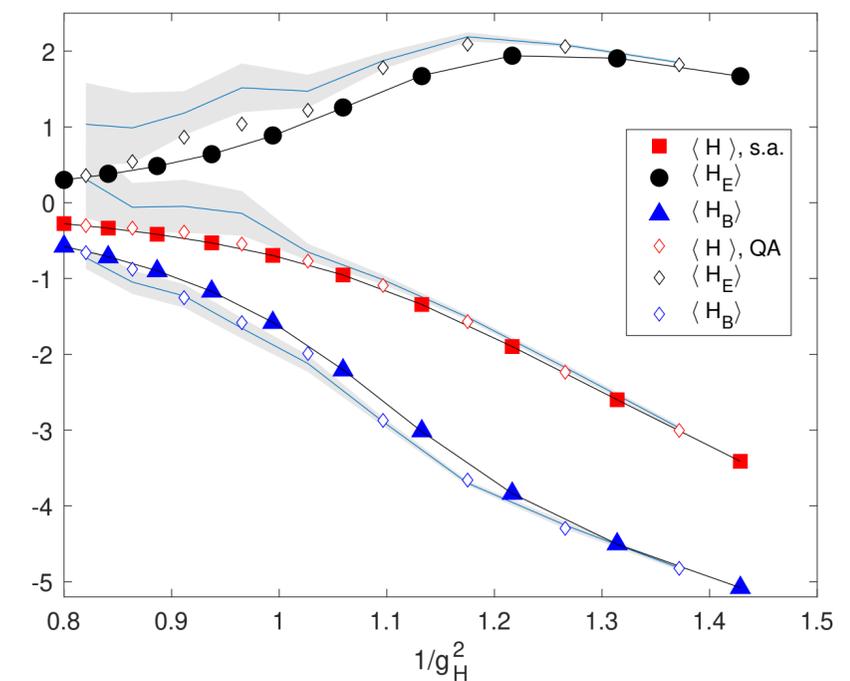
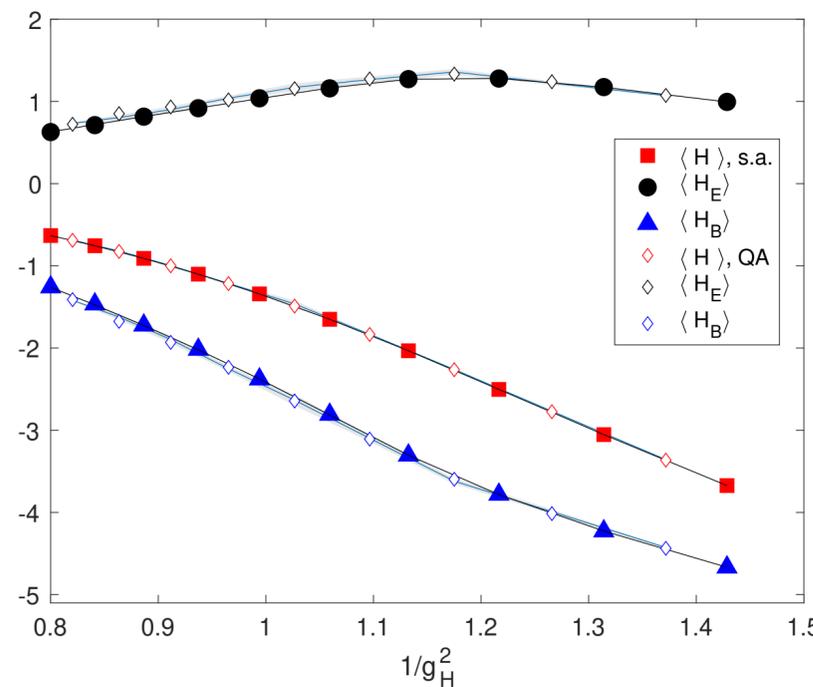


At end of annealing schedule extract ground-state coefficients a_i and hence $|\psi\rangle = \sum_i a_i |\psi\rangle_i$

Can extract

$$\langle O \rangle, O = H_B, H_E \dots$$

Process does not always converge, results have hence uncertainty (grey band), visibly larger for the larger group D_4 .



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Thank you !