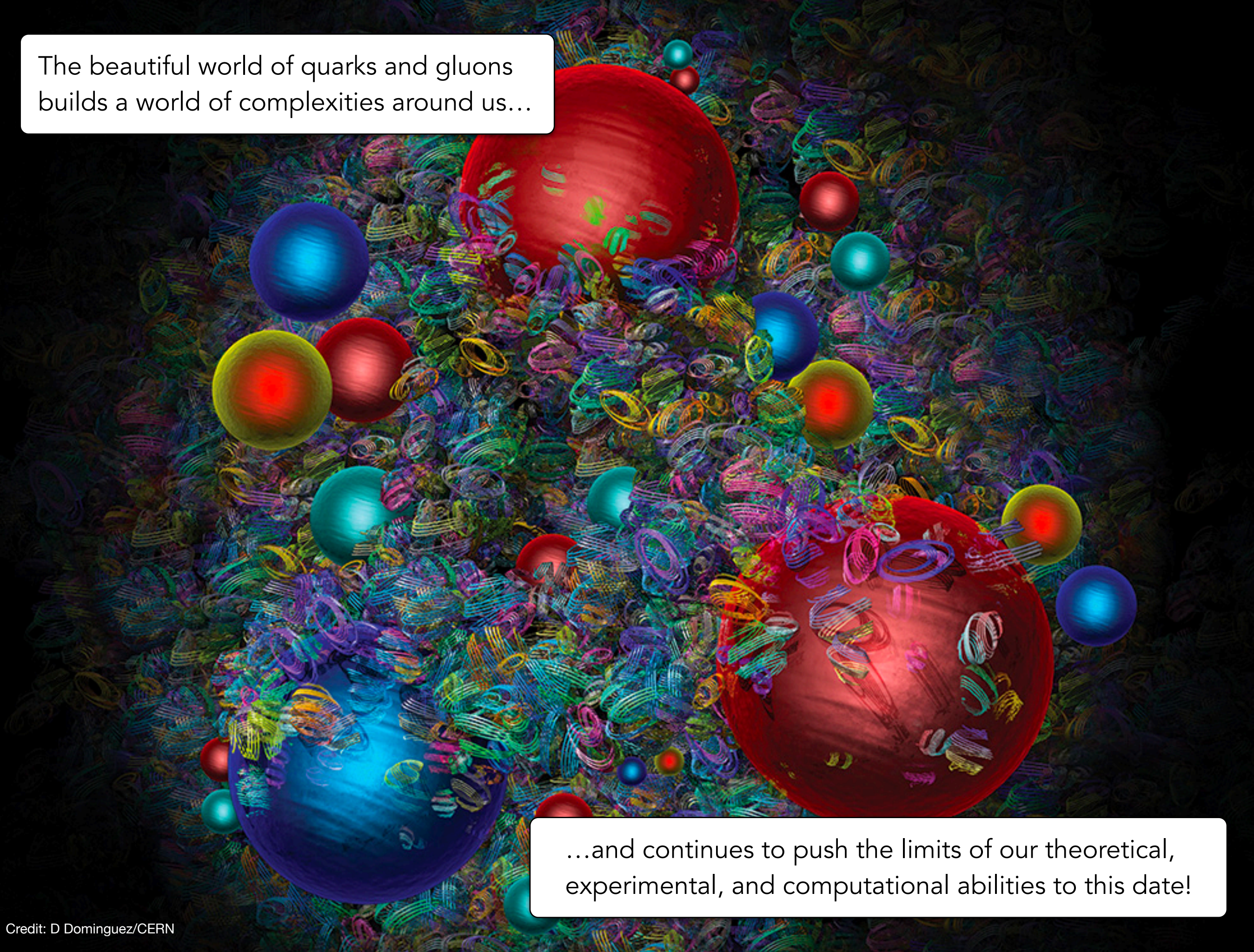
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Quantum simulations for QCD: Where we are now and what is in reach

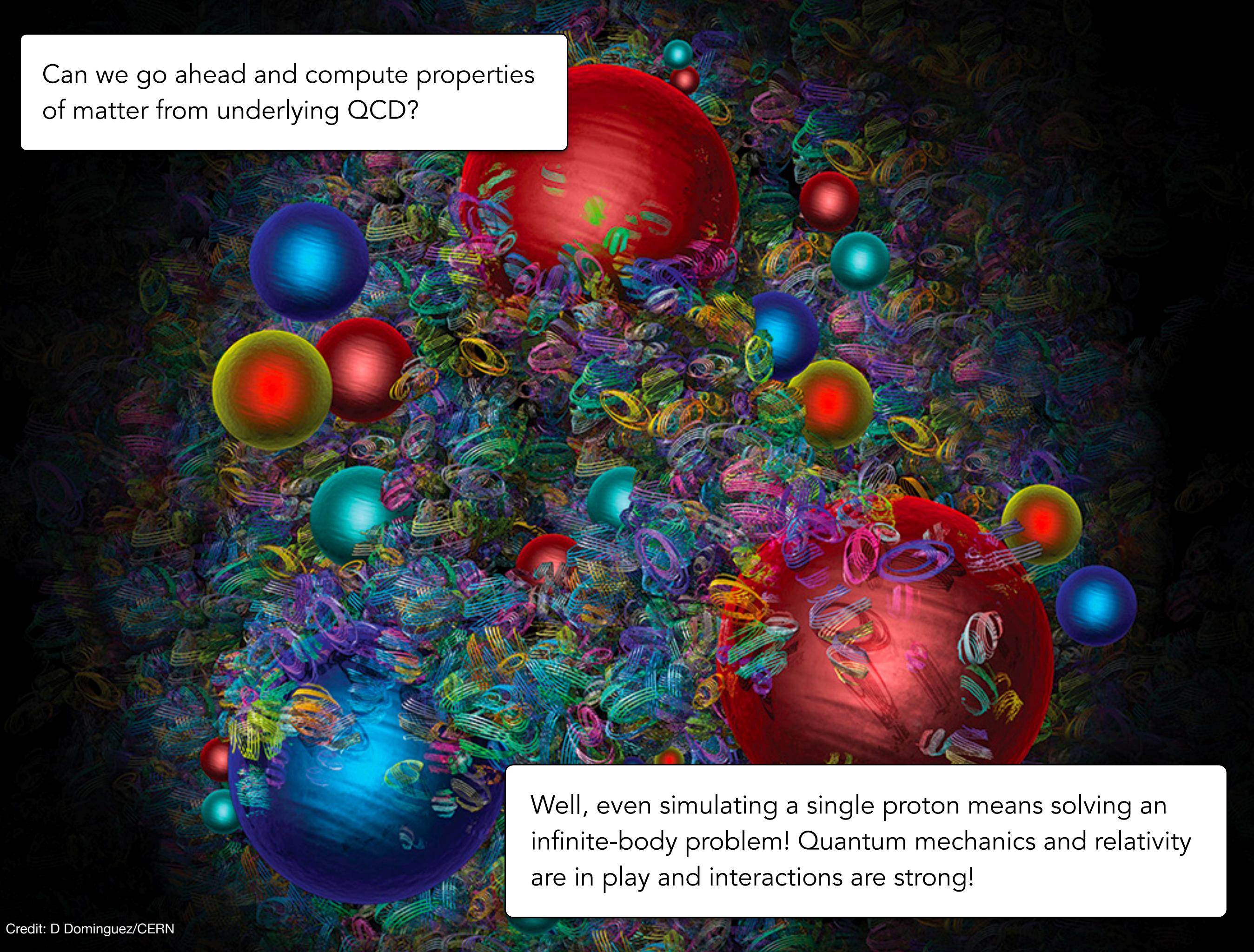
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The beautiful world of quarks and gluons
builds a world of complexities around us...



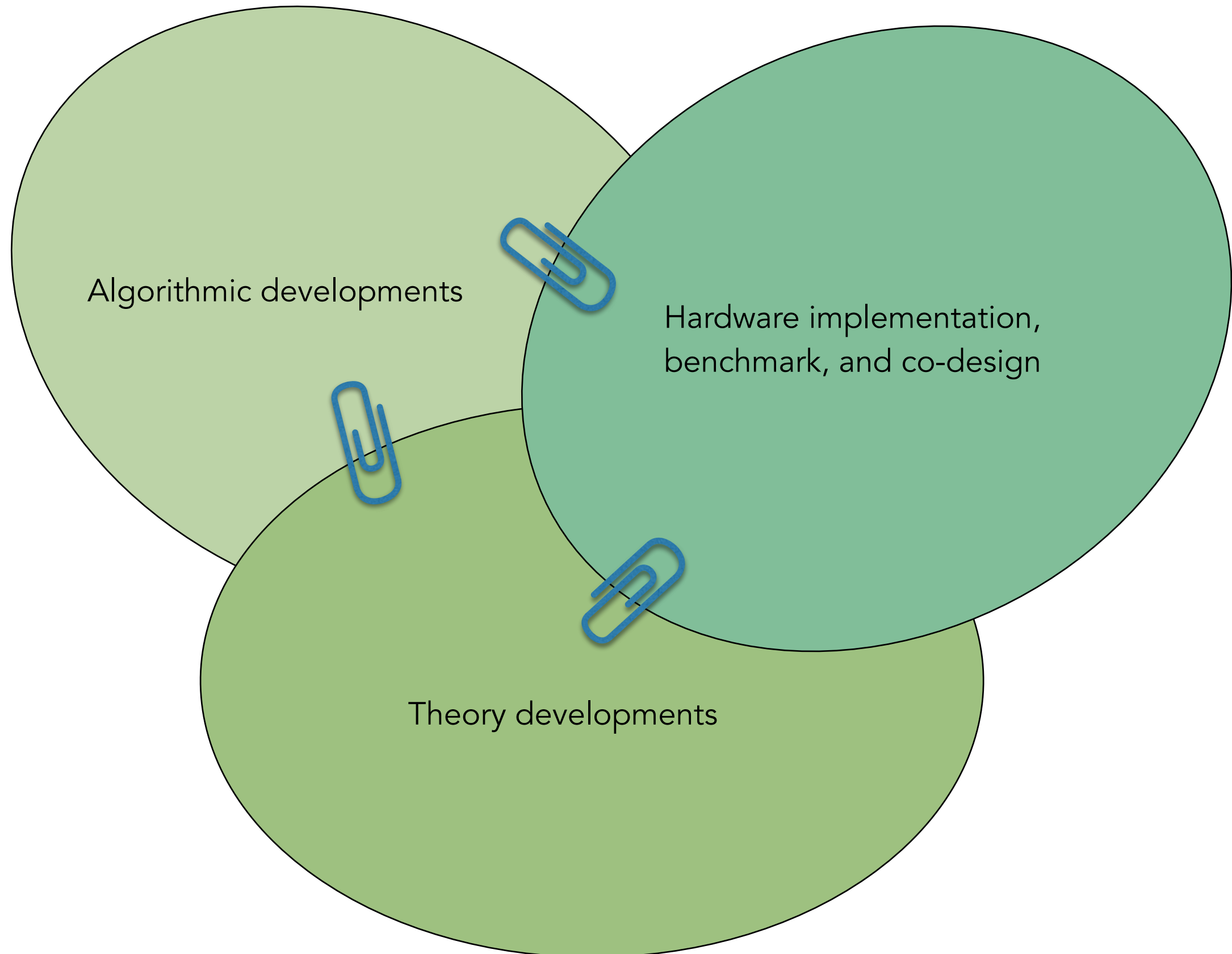
...and continues to push the limits of our theoretical,
experimental, and computational abilities to this date!

Can we go ahead and compute properties of matter from underlying QCD?



Well, even simulating a single proton means solving an infinite-body problem! Quantum mechanics and relativity are in play and interactions are strong!

LATTICE QCD: A MULTI-PRONG PROGRAM THAT SIMULATES QCD NON-PERTURBATIVELY





Theory developments

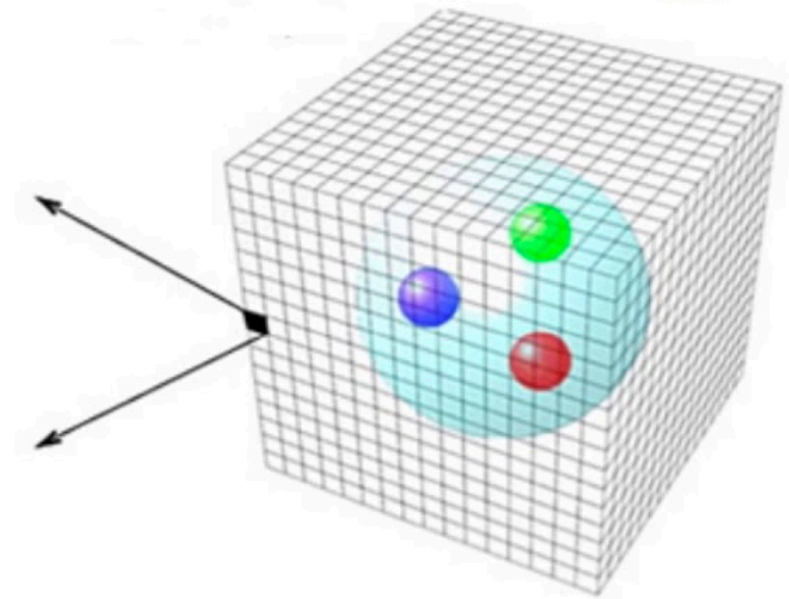
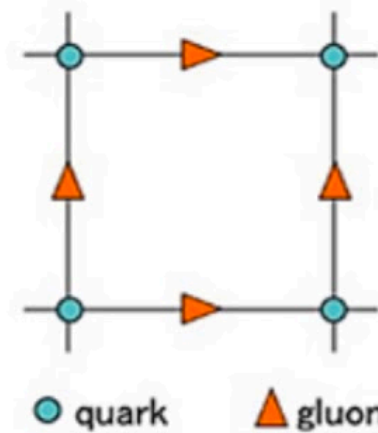


How to define QCD/QED on a finite grid?

How to preserve/recover symmetries, e.g., gauge symmetry, chiral symmetry, rotational symmetry.

How to take infinite-volume and continuum limits? How to quantify systematics?

How to obtain scattering amplitudes and decay rates?

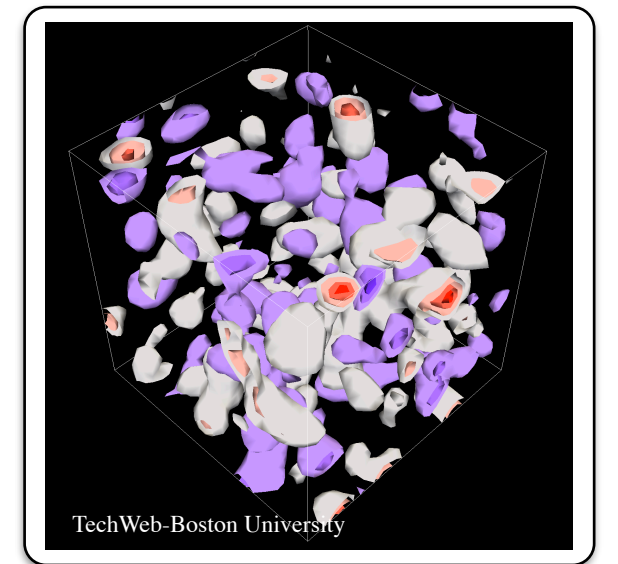
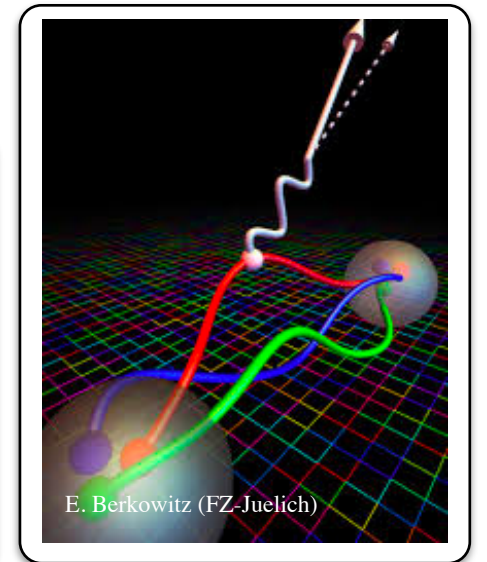
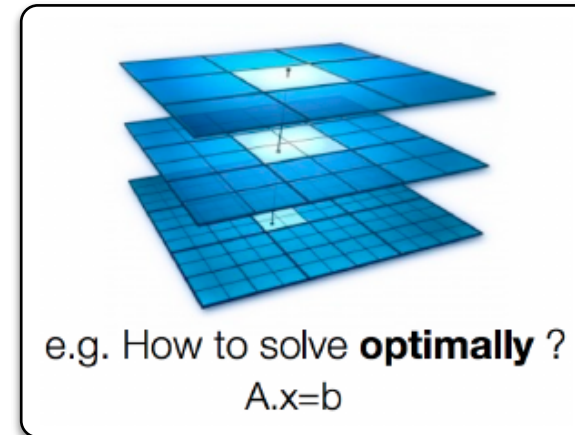


Theory developments



**Algorithmic
developments**

Algorithmic developments



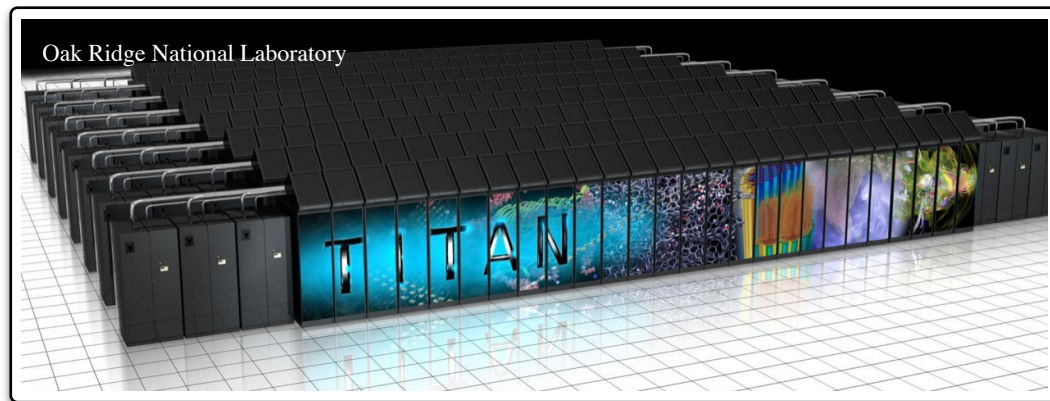
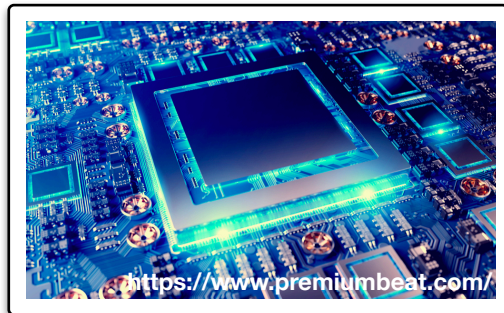
How to importance sample vacuum gauge configurations?

How to evaluate quark propagators (invert large matrices)?

How to contract quarks and form correlation functions efficiently?



**Implementation,
benchmark, and
co-design**



Implementation, benchmark, and co-design



Which tasks can be parallelized and which tasks are done in series?



What are the memory requirements and what kind of node connectivity is required?



Can we take advantage of GPUs? Which parts of the computations are more suitable for given architecture?

HARDWARE MATRIX MULTIPLIER/ACCUMULATOR FOR LATTICE GAUGE THEORY CALCULATIONS *

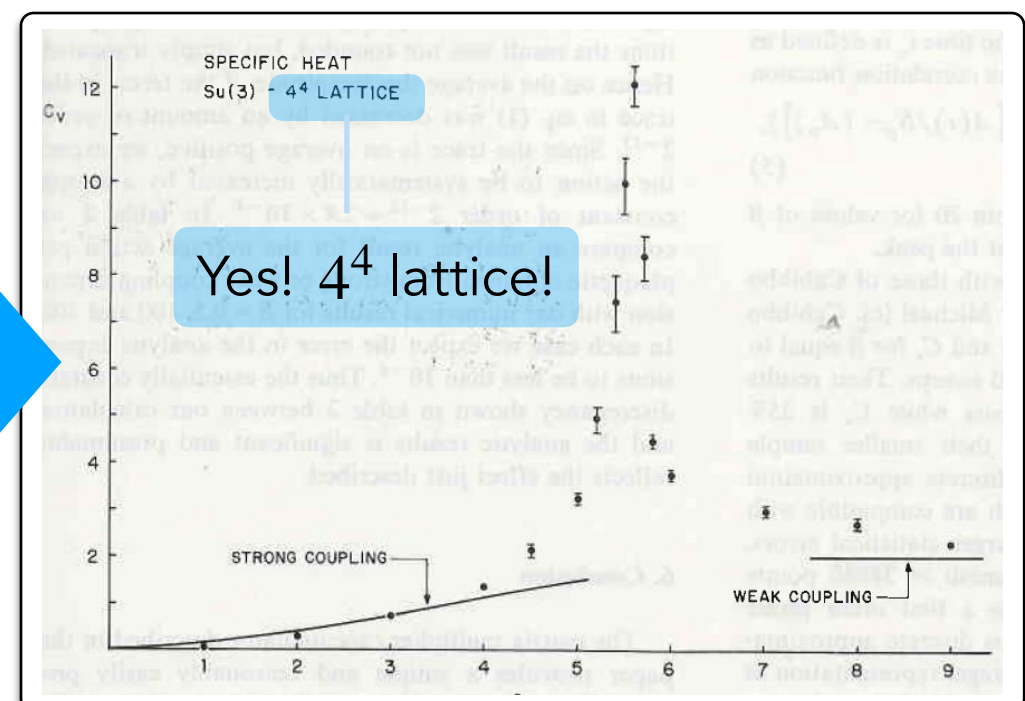
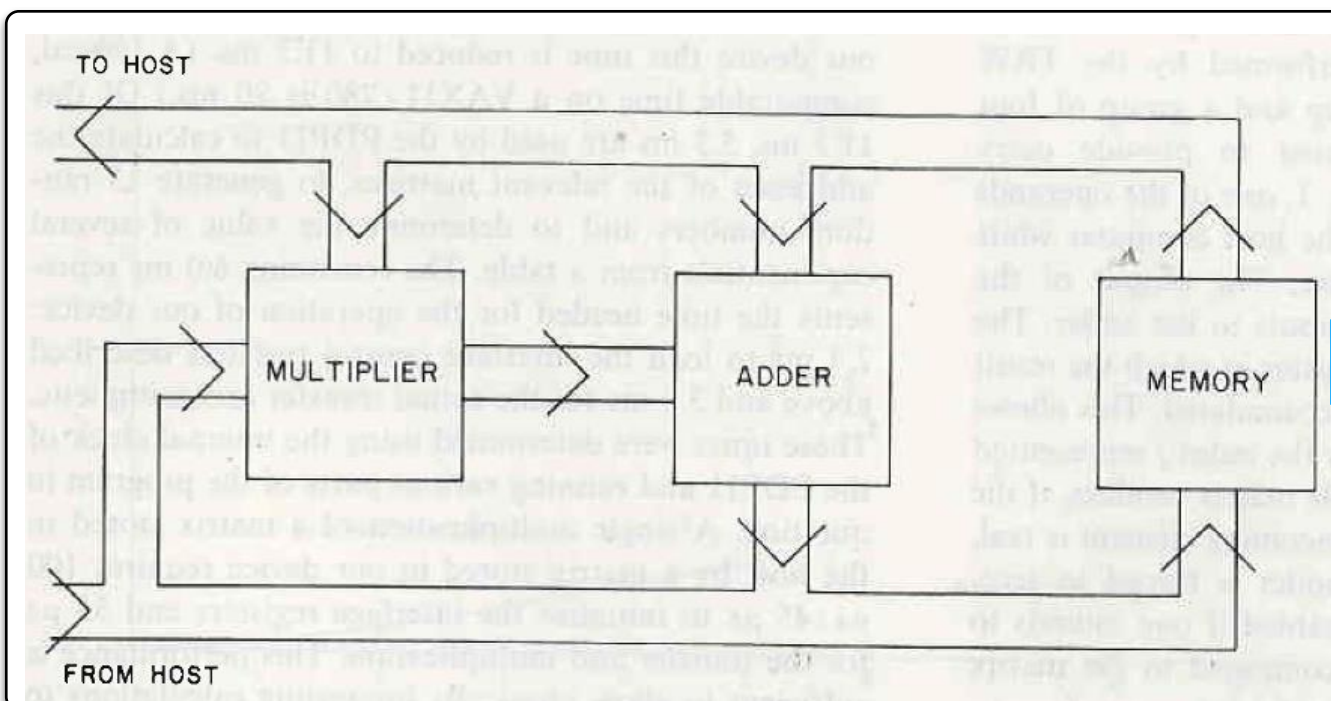
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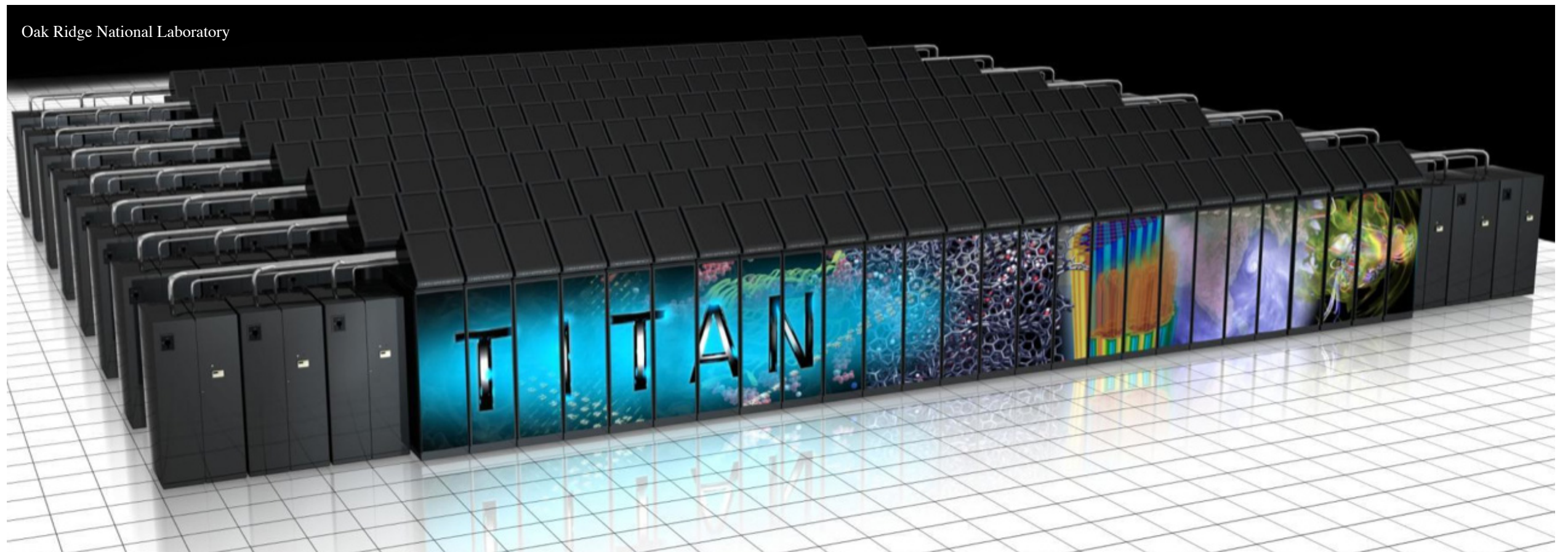
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~40 years ago!

10^{10} times or more slower
than current supercomputers!
Only few Kbytes of memory!



PUTTING ALL THESE HEROIC THEORY, ALGORITHM, AND CO-DESIGN EFFORTS TO WORK AND HAVING ACCESS TO HUNDREDS OF MILLION CPU HOURS ON THE LARGEST SUPERCOMPUTERS IN THE WORLD...

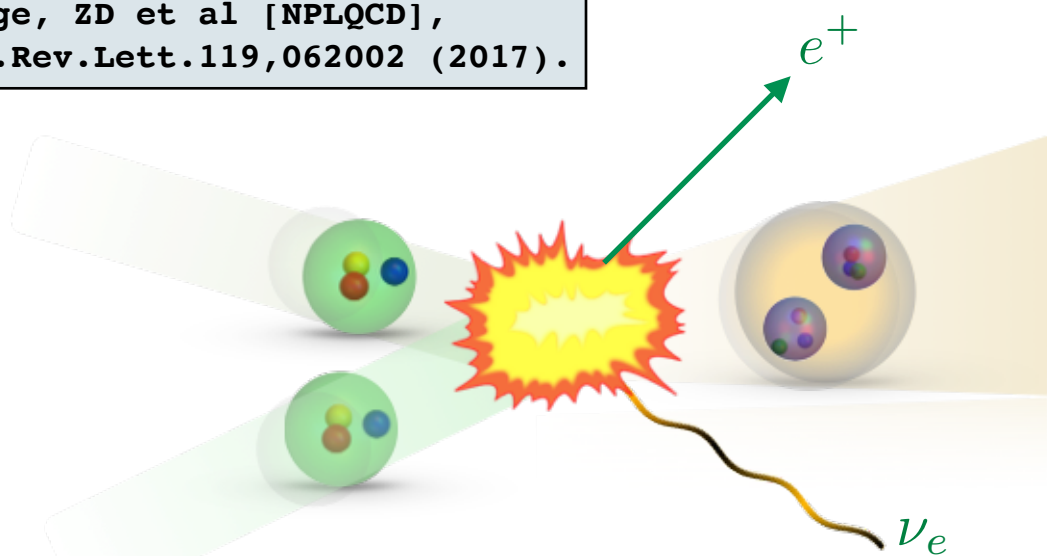


Titan supercomputer, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, USA

HAS LED TO TENS OF SUCCESS EXAMPLES
BUT LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT ONE...

pp fusion cross section

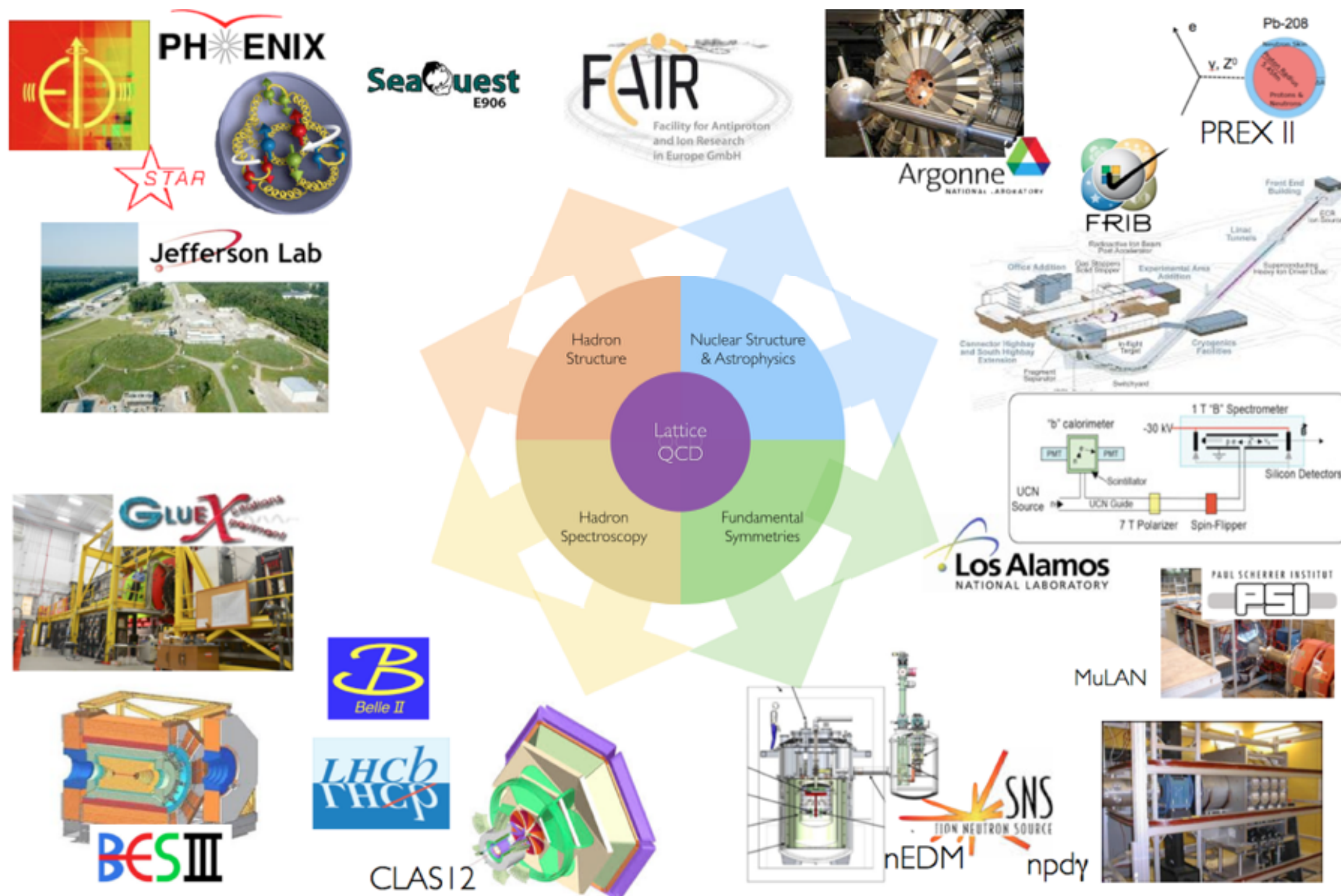
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$$L_{1,A} = 3.9(0.1)(1.0)(0.3)(0.9) \text{ fm}^3 \text{ @ } \mu = m_{\pi}^{\text{phys.}} = 140 \text{ MeV}$$

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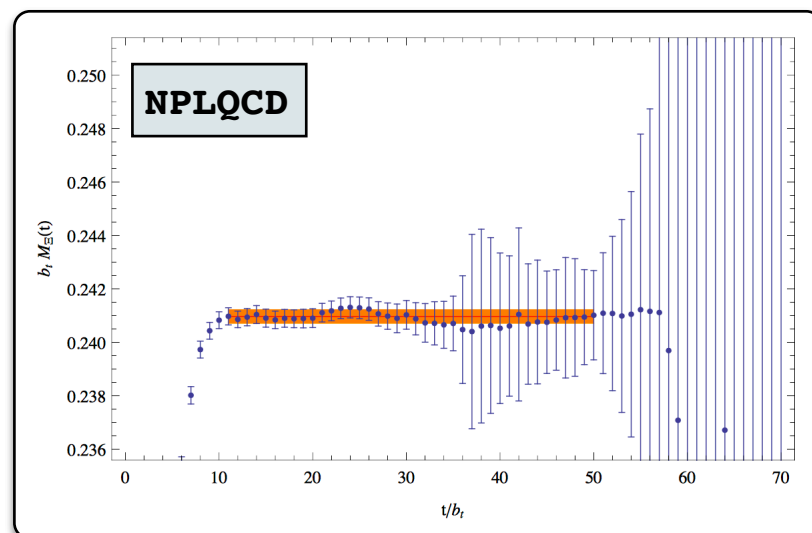


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Does this mean we are all set?
...Well, unfortunately not!

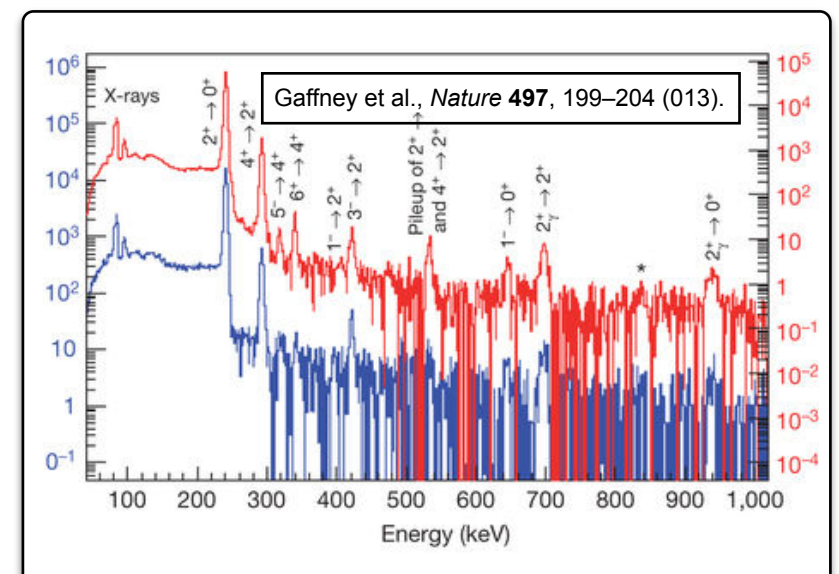
THREE FEATURES MAKE LATTICE QCD CALCULATIONS OF NUCLEI HARD:

i) The complexity of systems grows factorially with the number of quarks.



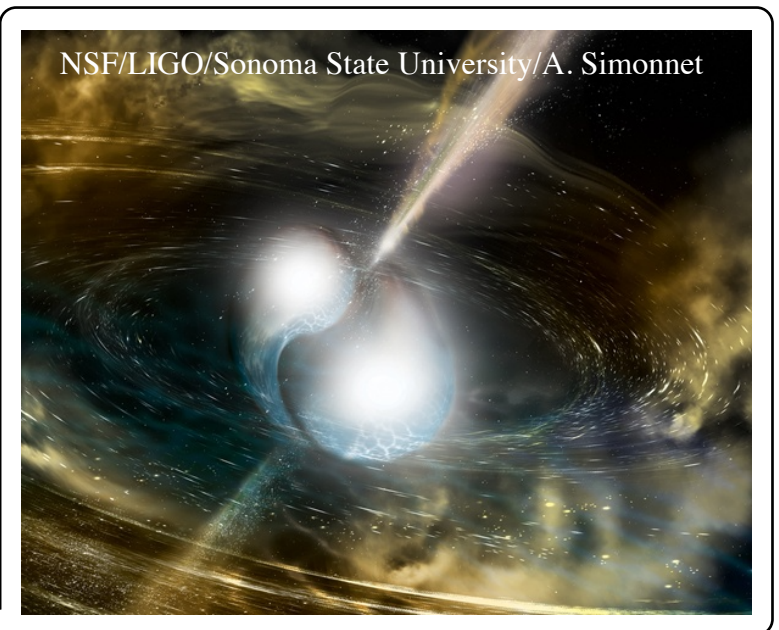
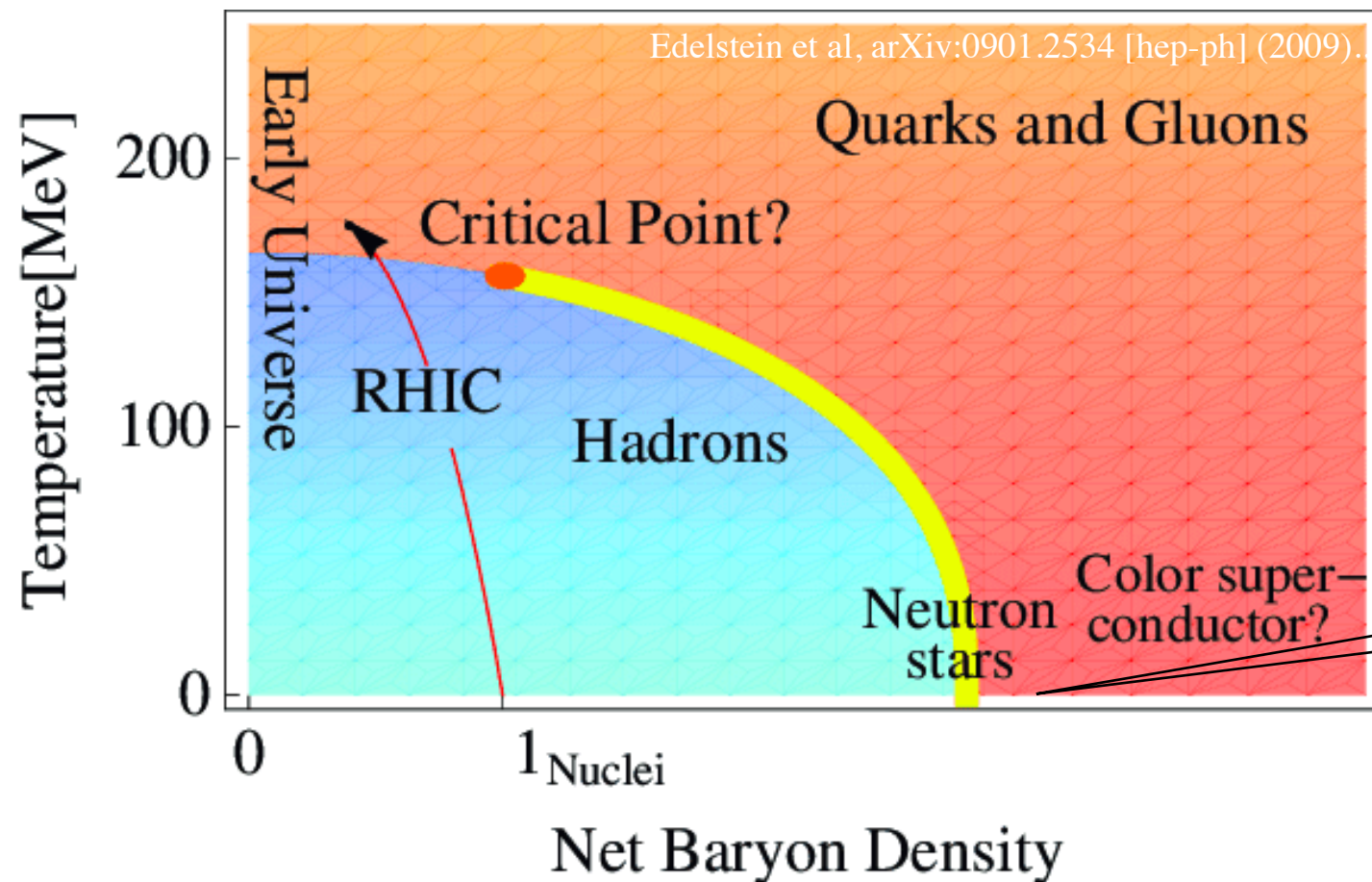
ii) There is a severe signal-to-noise degradation.

iii) Excitation energies of nuclei are much smaller than the QCD scale.



ADDITIONALLY THE SIGN PROBLEM FORBIDS:

i) Studies dense matter such as interior of neutron stars and phase diagram of QCD



Path integral formulation:

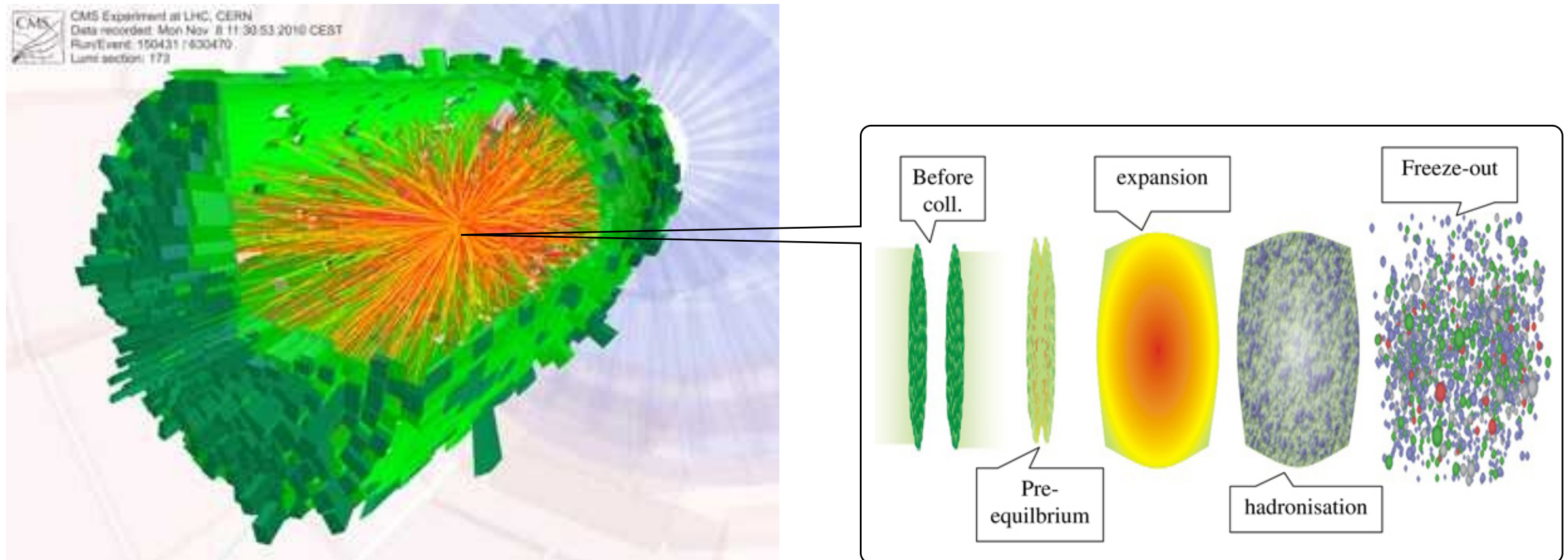
$$e^{-S[U, q, \bar{q}]}$$

with a complex action:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} - i\mu \sum_f \bar{q}_f \gamma^0 q_f$$

ADDITIONALLY THE SIGN PROBLEM FORBIDS:

ii) Real-time dynamics of matter in heavy-ion collisions or after Big Bang...



...and a wealth of dynamical response functions, transport properties, parton distribution functions, and non-equilibrium physics of QCD.

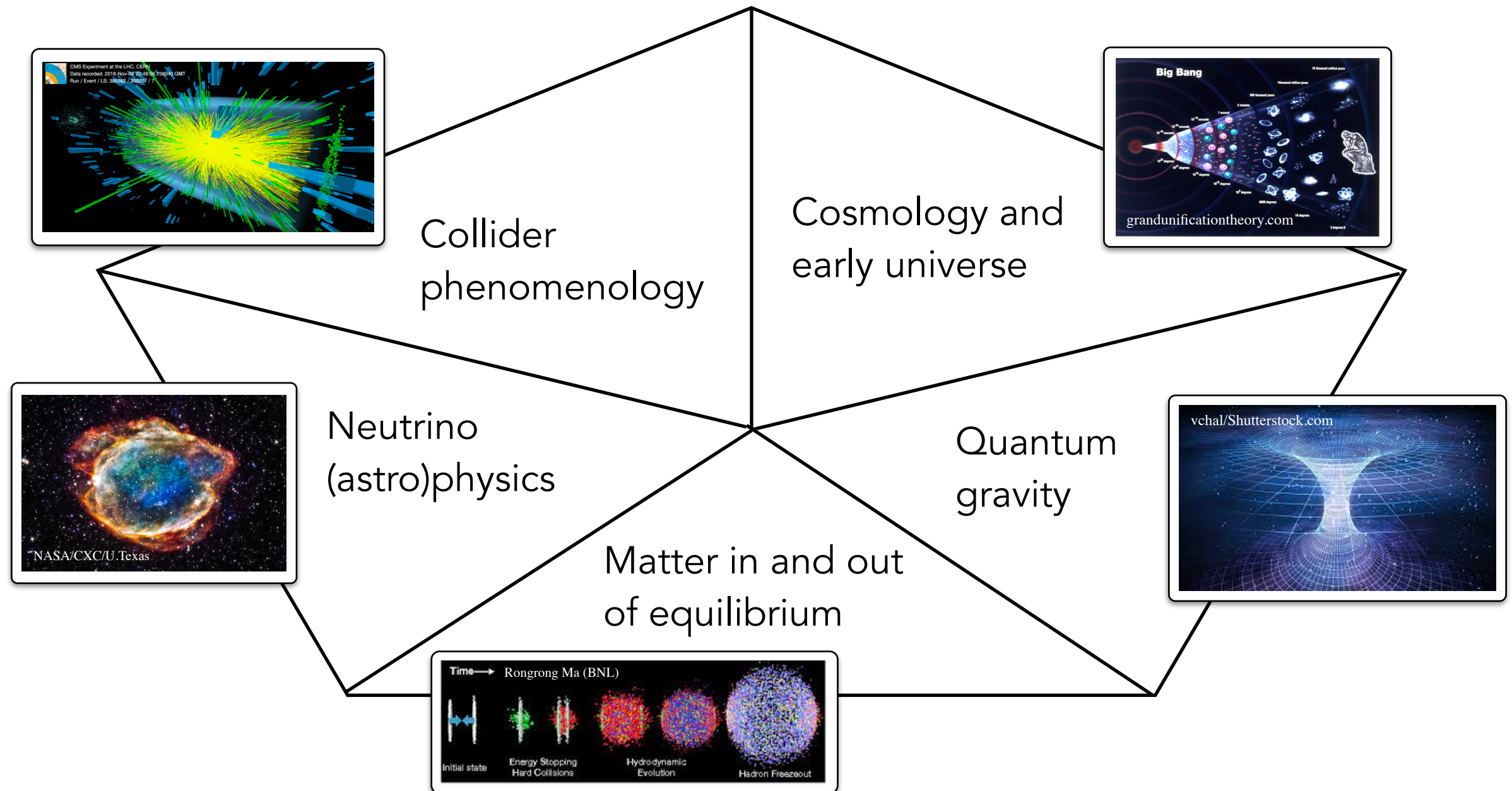
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Hamiltonian evolution:

$$U(t) = e^{-iHt}$$

PLUS MANY INTRACTABLE QUESTIONS IN HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS AS WELL...



Bauer, ZD, MJS et al,
arXiv:2204.03381 [quant-ph].

Quantum Simulation for High-energy Physics

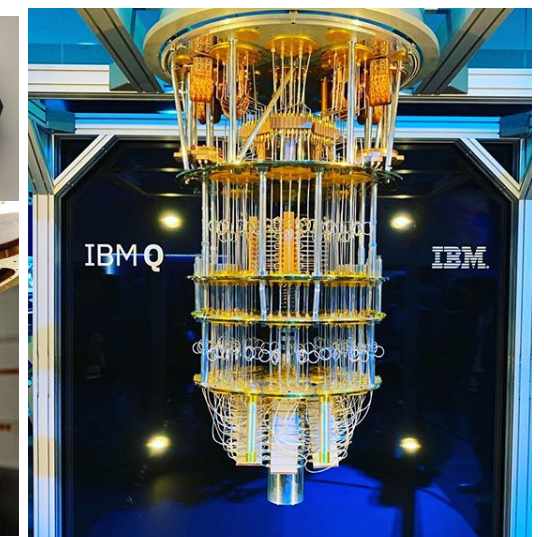
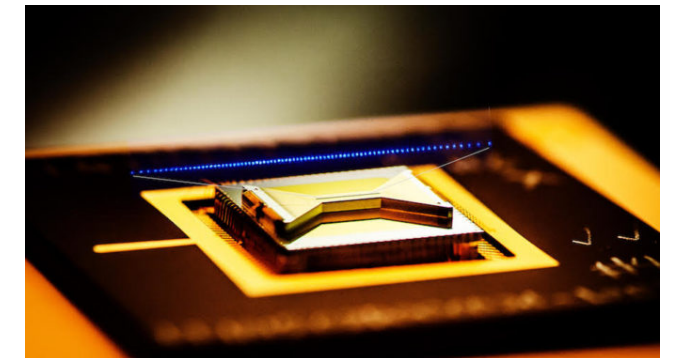
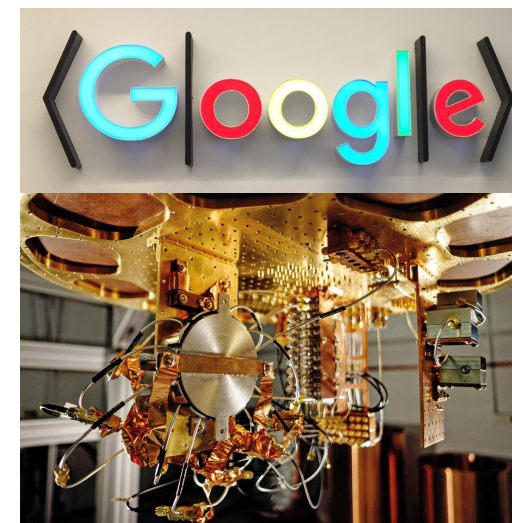
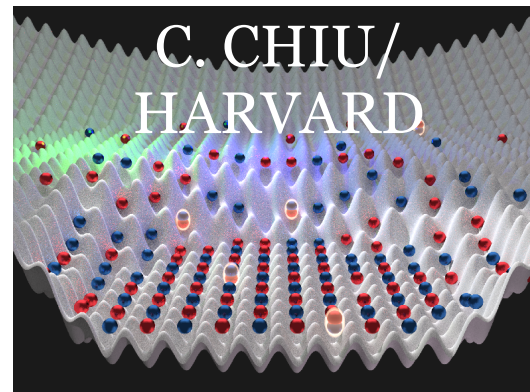
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An opportunity to explore
new paradigms and new
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Turning to quantum
simulation



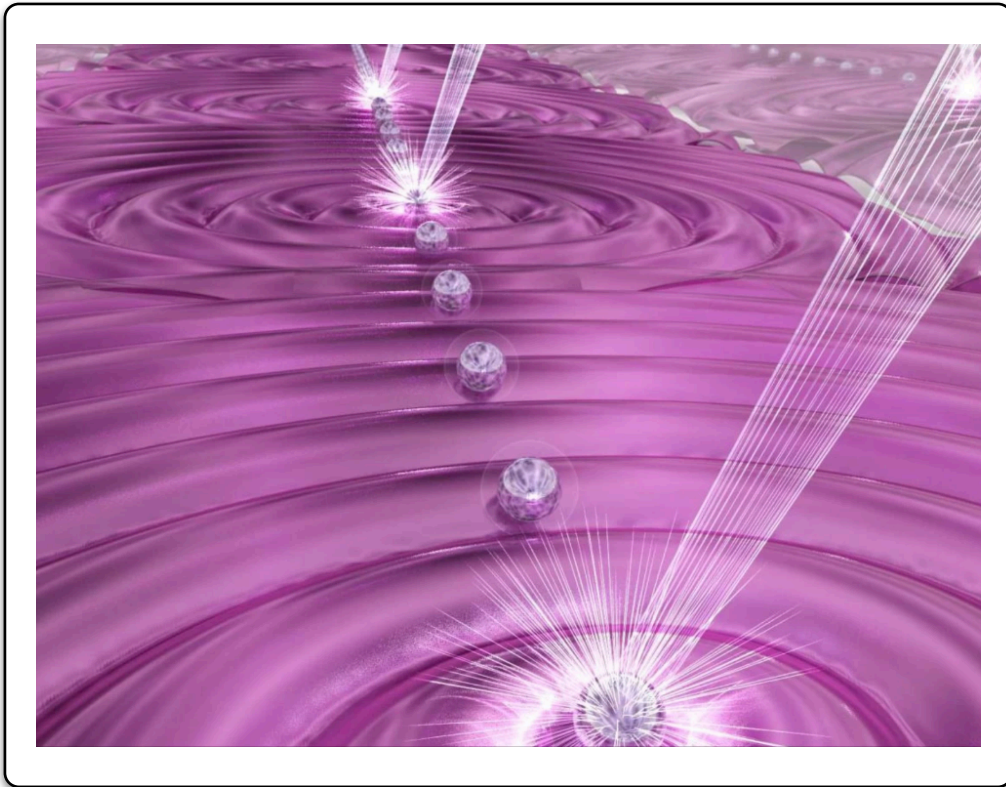
A RANGE OF QUANTUM SIMULATORS WITH VARIOUS CAPACITY AND CAPABILITY IS AVAILABLE!

- Atomic systems (trapped ions, cold atoms, Rydbergs)
- Condensed matter systems (superconducting circuits, dopants in semiconductors such as in Silicon, NV centers in diamond)
- Laser-cooled polar molecules
- Optical systems (cavity quantum electrodynamics)

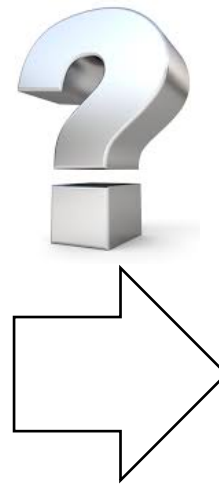


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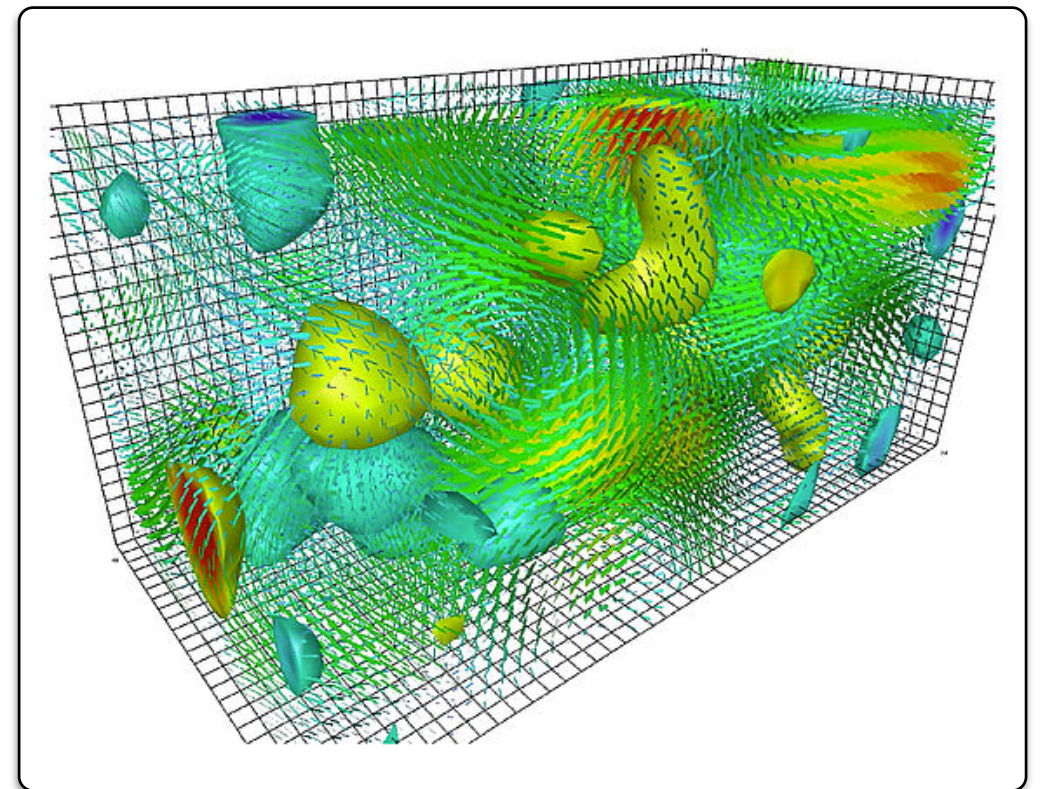
A controlled quantum system



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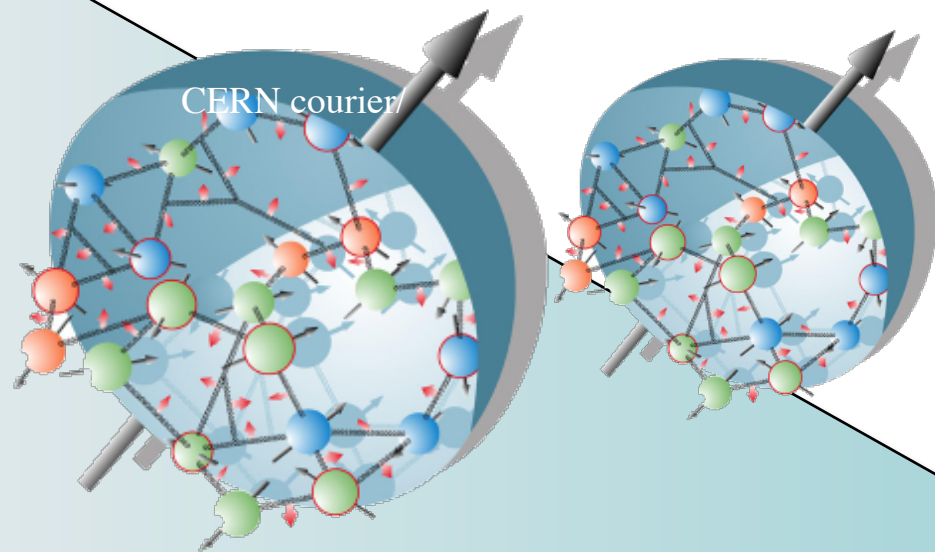


Strong-interaction physics



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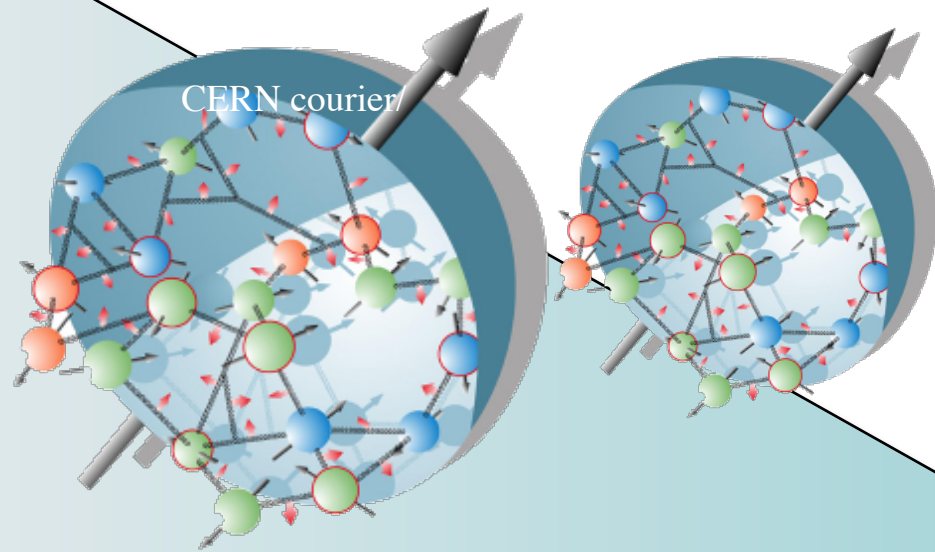
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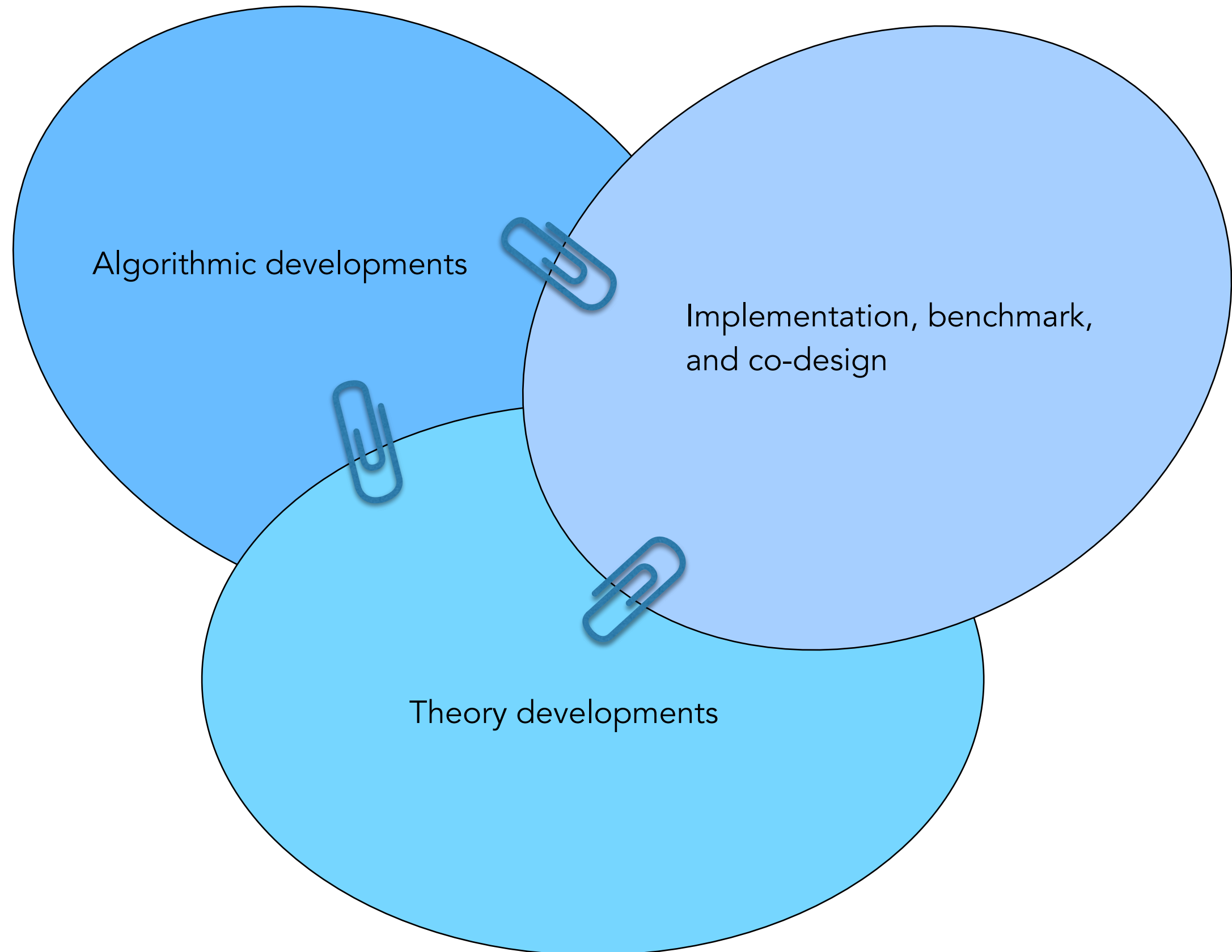


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QUANTUM SIMULATION OF QUANTUM FIELD THEORIES: A MULTI-PRONG EFFORT





How to formulate QCD in the Hamiltonian language?



What are the efficient formulations? Which bases will be most optimal toward the continuum limit?



How to preserve the symmetries? How much should we care to retain gauge invariance?



How to quantify systematics such as finite volume, discretization, boson truncation, time digitization, etc?

Theory developments

QUANTUM SIMULATION OF GAUGE FIELD THEORIES: THEORY DEVELOPMENTS

Hamiltonian formalism maybe more natural than the path integral formalism for quantum simulation/computation:

Kogut and Susskind formulation:

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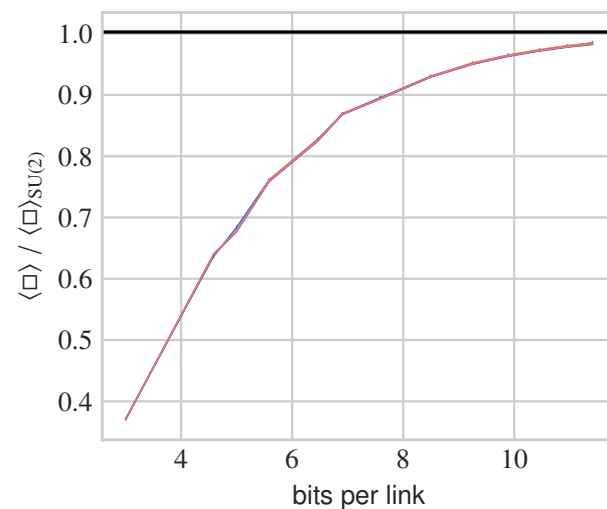
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An infinite-dimensional Hilbert space!

Gauge-field truncation

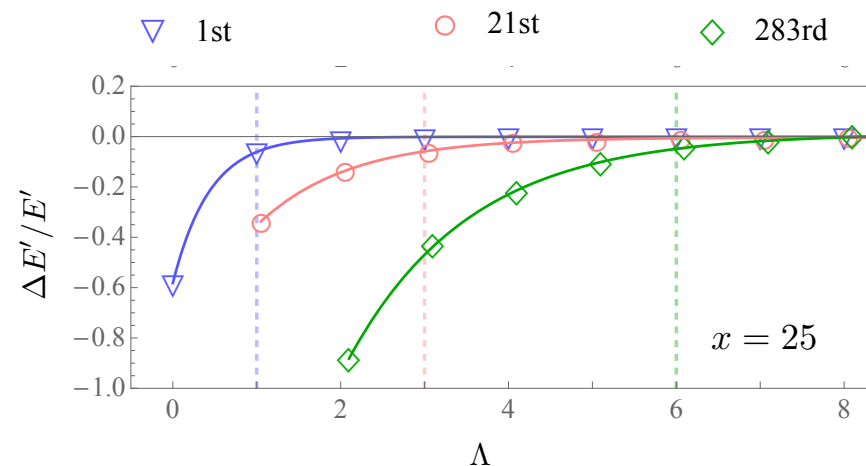
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SU(2) pure gauge in 3+1 D
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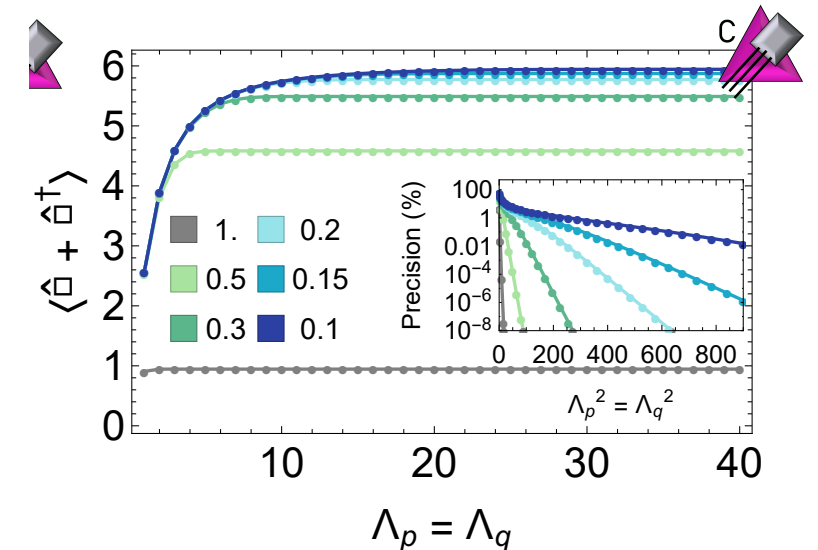
Hackett et al, Phys. Rev. A 99, 062341 (2019)

SU(2) with matter in 1+1 D
in electric-field basis



ZD, Raychowdhury, and Shaw, arXiv:2009.11802 [hep-lat]

SU(3) pure gauge in 2+1 D
in local-irreps basis



Ciavarella, Klco, and Savage, arXiv:2101.10227 [quant-ph]

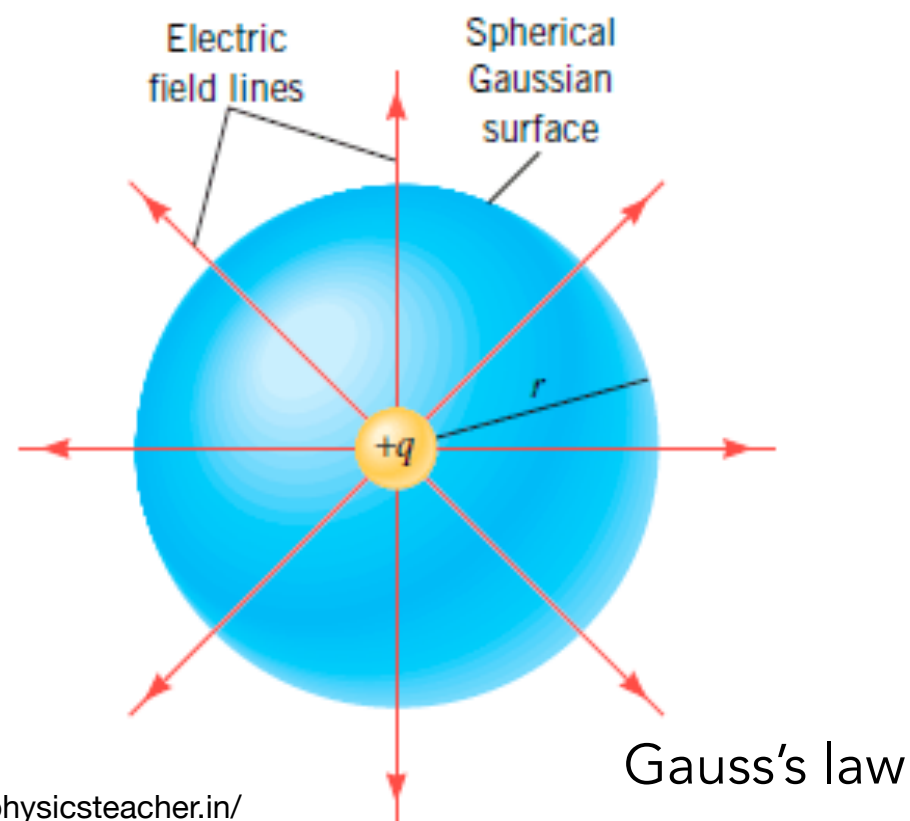
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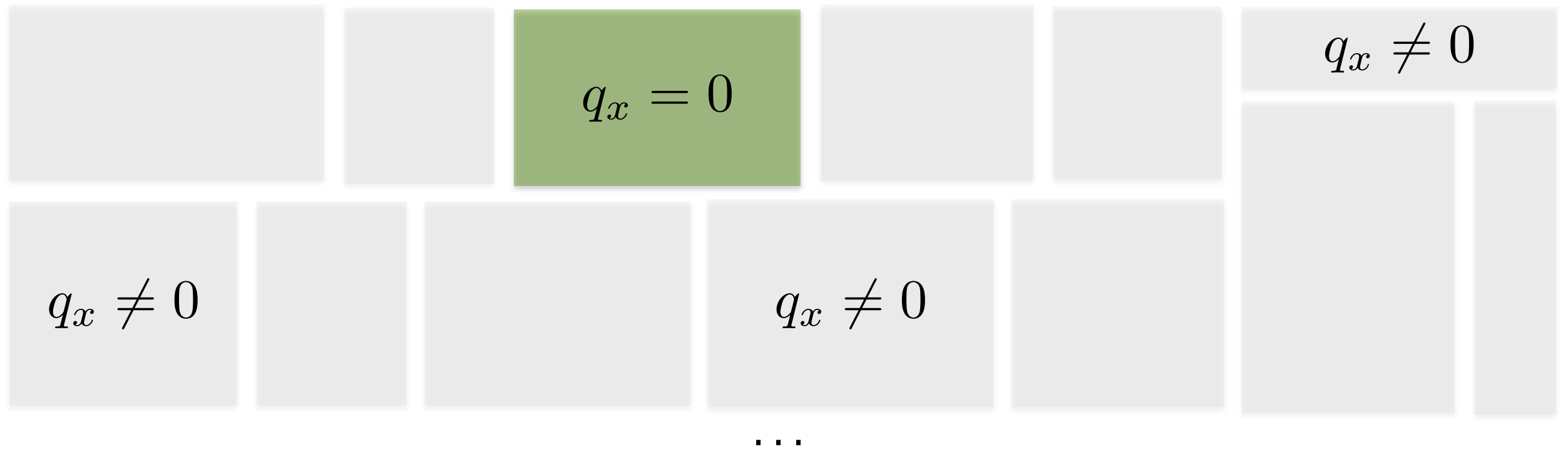
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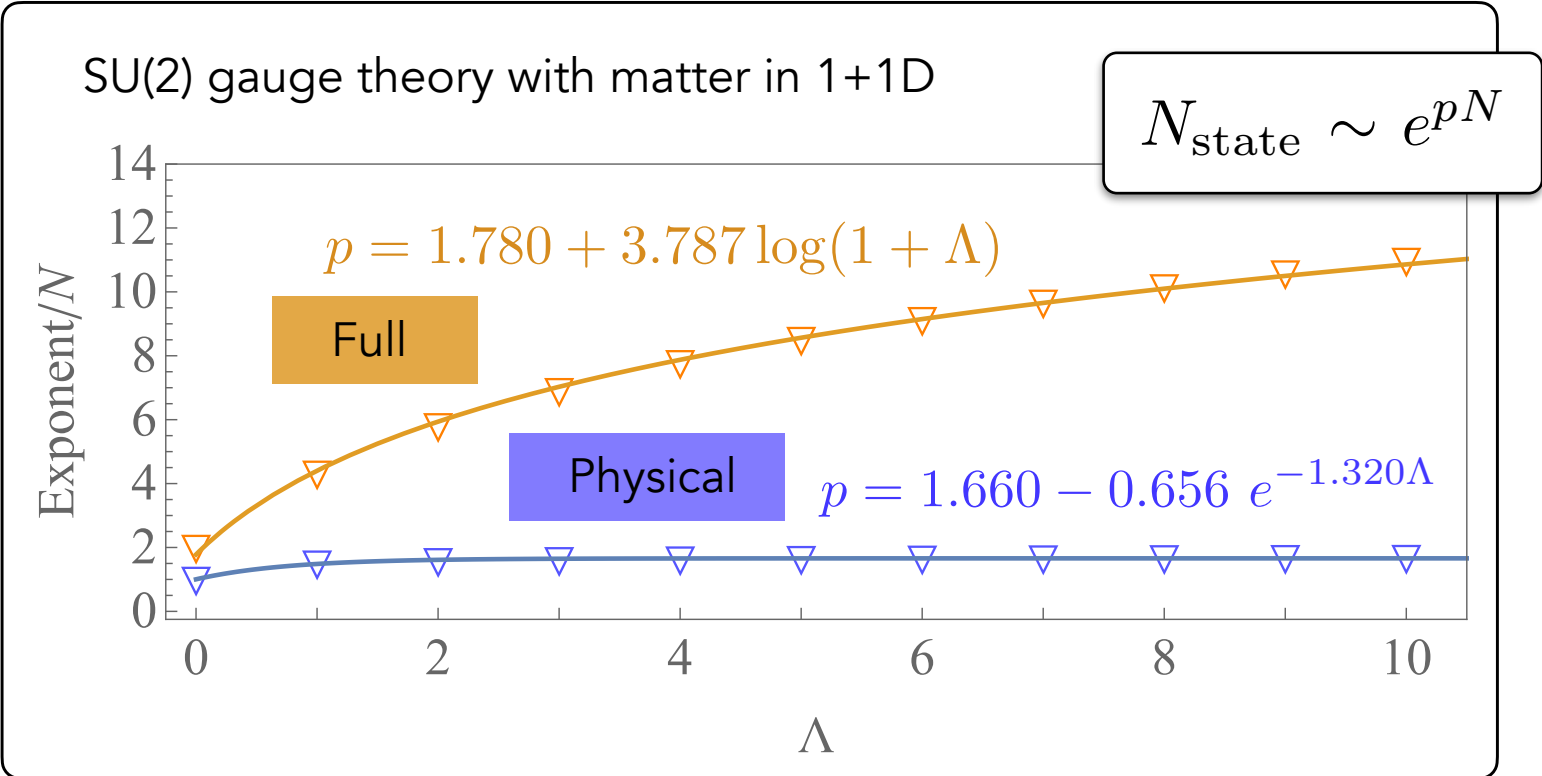
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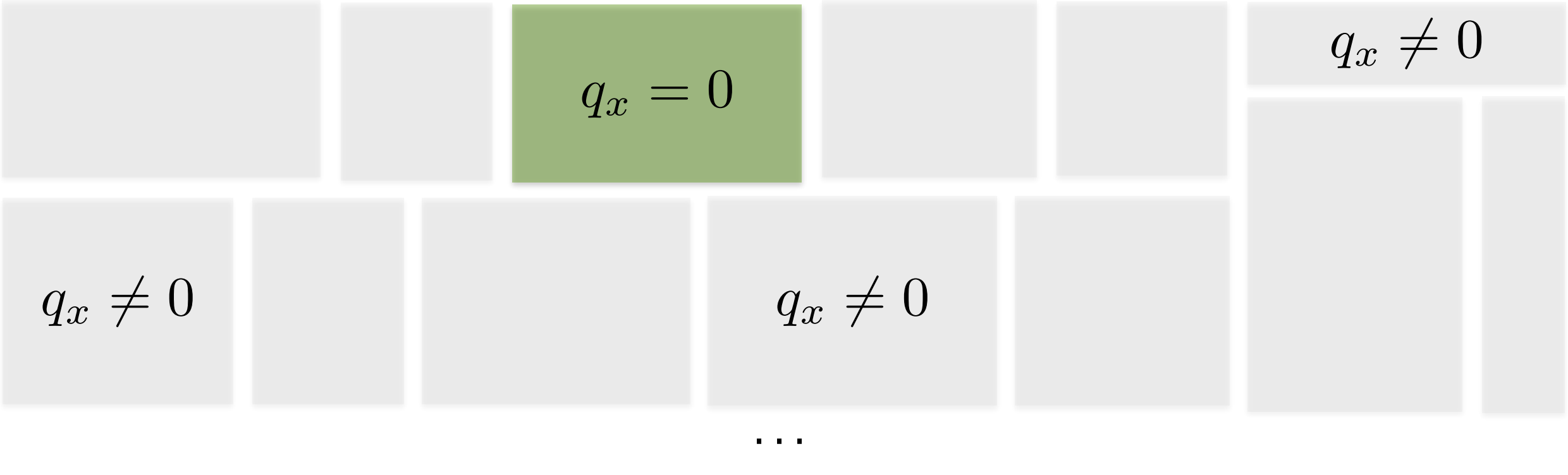
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ZD, Raychowdhury, and Shaw, Phys. Rev. D 104, 074505, arXiv:2009.11802 [hep-lat]



MANY HAMILTONIAN FORMULATIONS OF GAUGE THEORIES EXIST, BUT WHICH ONE TO PICK?

Gauge-field theories (Abelian and non-Abelian):

Group-element representation
Zohar et al; Lamm et al

Prepotential formulation
Mathur, Raychowdhury et al

Loop-String-Hadron basis
Raychowdhury and
Stryker, ZD, Shaw

Link models
Chandrasekharan, Wiese et al

Fermionic basis
Hamer et al; Martinez et al; Banuls et al

Bosonic basis
Cirac and Zohar

Light-front quantization
Kreshchuk, Love, Goldstien,
Vary et al.; Ortega et al

Local irreducible representations
Byrnes and Yamamoto;
Ciavarella, Klco, and Savage

Manifold lattices
Buser et al

Dual plaquette (magnetic) basis
Bender, Zohar et al; Kaplan and Stryker; Unmuth-Yockey;
Hasse et al; Bauer and Grabowska

Spin-dual representation
Mathur et al

Scalar field theory

Field basis
Jordan, Lee, and Preskill

Continuous-variable basis
Pooser, Siopsis et al

Harmonic-oscillator basis
Klco and Savage

Single-particle basis
Barata, Mueller, Tarasov, and Venugopalan.

Lots of interesting ideas using **analog**
simulators will not be covered here.

Algorithmic developments [Digital]



Near- and far-term algorithms with bounded errors and resource requirement for gauge theories?



Can given formulation/encoding reduce qubit and gate resources?

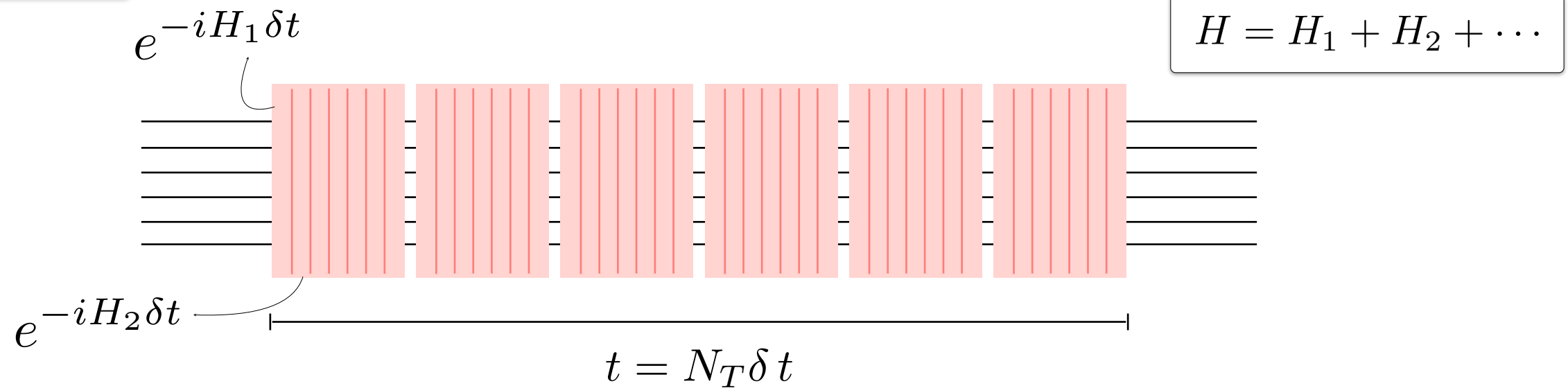


Should we develop gauge-invariant simulation algorithms?

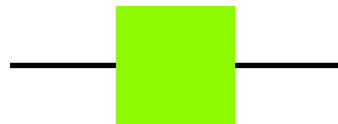


How do we do state preparation and compute observables like scattering amplitudes?

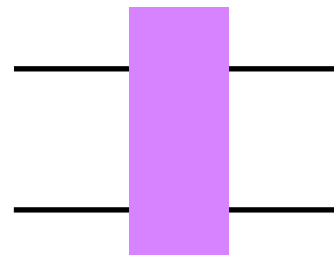
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Single-qubit gates



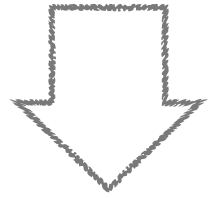
Two-qubit entangling gate



How many qubits and gates are required to achieve accuracy ϵ in a given observables? Are there algorithms that scale optimally?

Example

Lattice Schwinger model \cdots

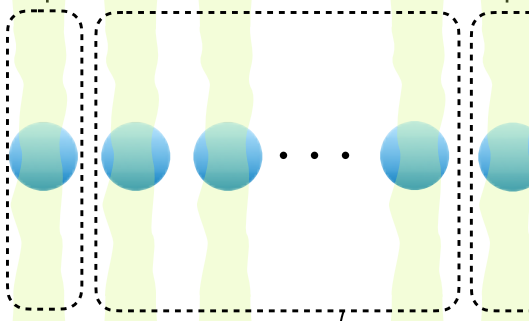
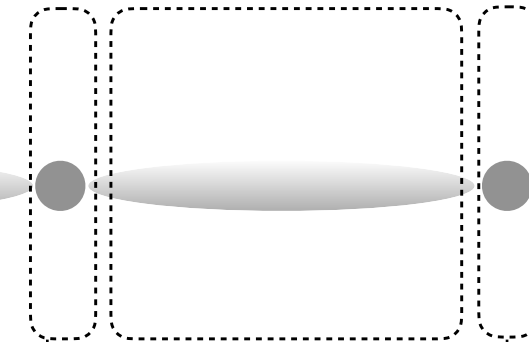


Ions in a linear Paul trap



Collective normal modes
used to perform two-ion
entangling gates.

ψ_j $\{E_j, U_j\}$ ψ_{j+1}



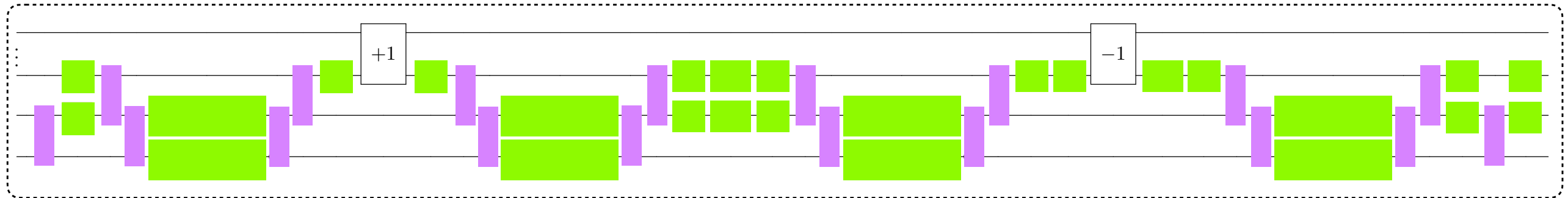
$\log(\Lambda)$ qubits used to
encode gauge links.

Digital

$$H = -ix \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} [\psi_n^\dagger U_n \psi_{n+1} - \text{h.c.}] + \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} E_n^2 + \mu \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n \psi_n^\dagger \psi_n$$

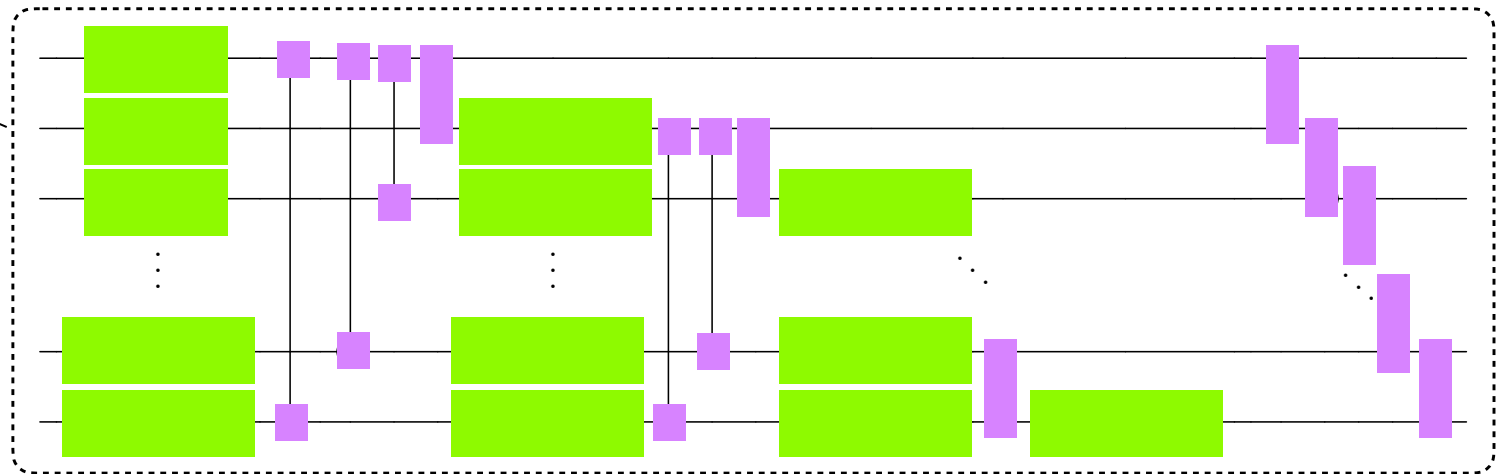
Circuit and recourse analysis

Shaw, Lougovski, Stryker, Wiebe, Quantum 4, 306 (2020).



Sample gauge-fermion interaction block

Part of electric field interactions acting on gauge DOF registers



Near term cost

	$\delta_g = 10^{-3}$		$\delta_g = 10^{-4}$		$\delta_g = 10^{-5}$		$\delta_g = 10^{-6}$		$\delta_g = 10^{-7}$	
	$\tilde{\epsilon}^2$	CNOT	$\tilde{\epsilon}^2$	CNOT	$\tilde{\epsilon}^2$	CNOT	$\tilde{\epsilon}^2$	CNOT	$\tilde{\epsilon}^2$	CNOT
$x = 10^{-2}$	—	7.3e4	—	1.6e5	—	3.4e5	—	7.3e5	5.6e-2	1.6e6
$x = 10^{-1}$	—	1.6e4	—	3.5e4	—	7.5e4	5.9e-2	1.6e5	2.7e-3	3.5e5
$x = 1$	—	4.6e3	—	9.9e3	1.0e-1	2.1e4	4.7e-3	4.6e4	2.2e-4	9.9e4
$x = 10^2$	—	2.8e3	8.3e-1	6.1e3	3.8e-2	1.3e4	1.8e-3	2.8e4	8.2e-5	6.0e4

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Implementation, benchmark, and co-design



What is the capability limit of the hardware for gauge-theory simulations so far?



What is the nature of noise in hardware and how can it best be mitigated?



Can we co-design dedicated systems for gauge-theory simulations?



Can digital and analog ideas be combined to facilitate simulations of field theories?

Example

Lattice Schwinger model

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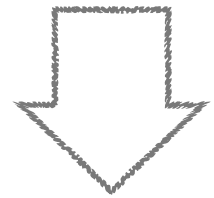
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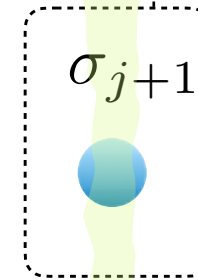
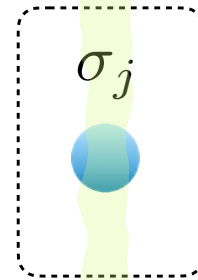
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Collective normal modes
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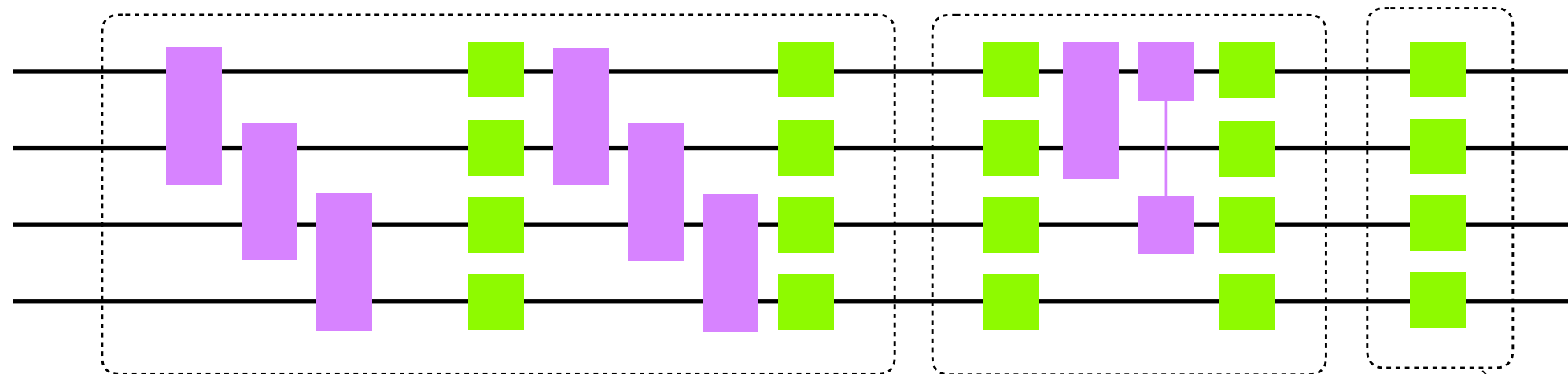
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Internal states of the ion are used to
encode the dynamic of fermions.

Digital (No gauge DOF)

$$H = x \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left[\sigma_+^{(n)} \sigma_-^{(n+1)} + \sigma_+^{(n+1)} \sigma_-^{(n)} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left[\epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^n \left(\sigma_z^{(m)} + (-1)^m \right) \right]^2 + \frac{\mu}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n \sigma_z^{(n)}$$

Associated quantum circuit for Trotterized evolution:



Fermion-gauge interactions

Gauge-field interactions

Fermion mass term

Four-fermion site theory, one Trotter step

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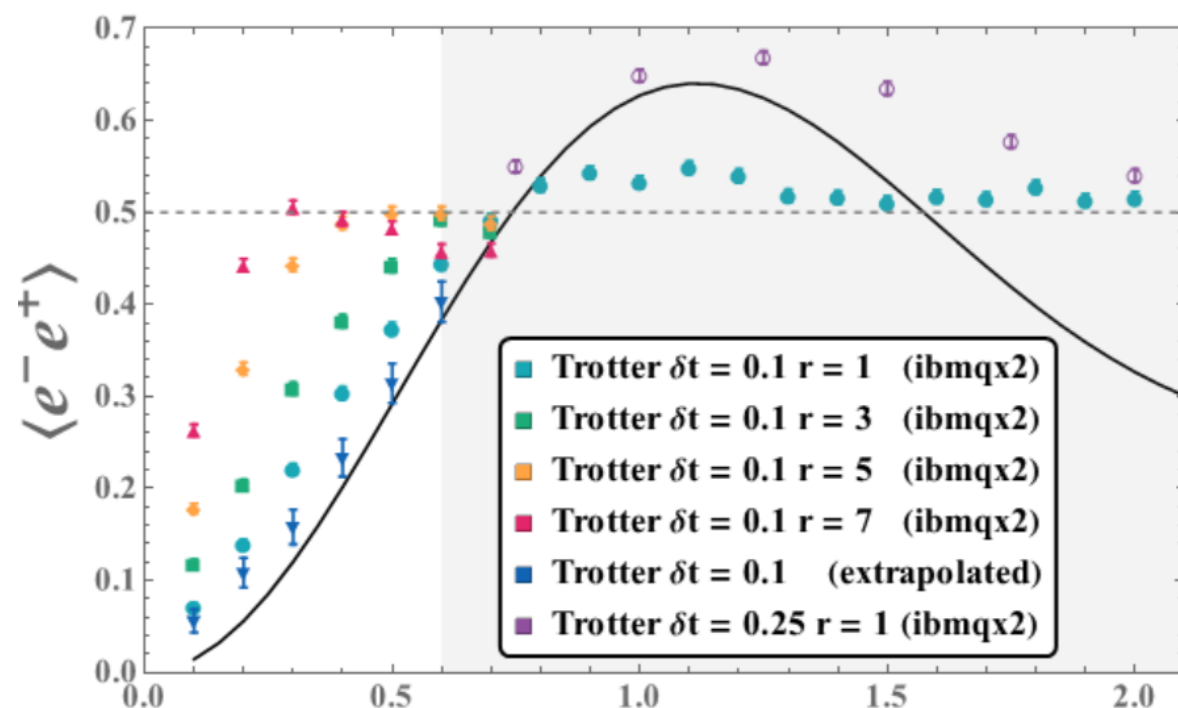
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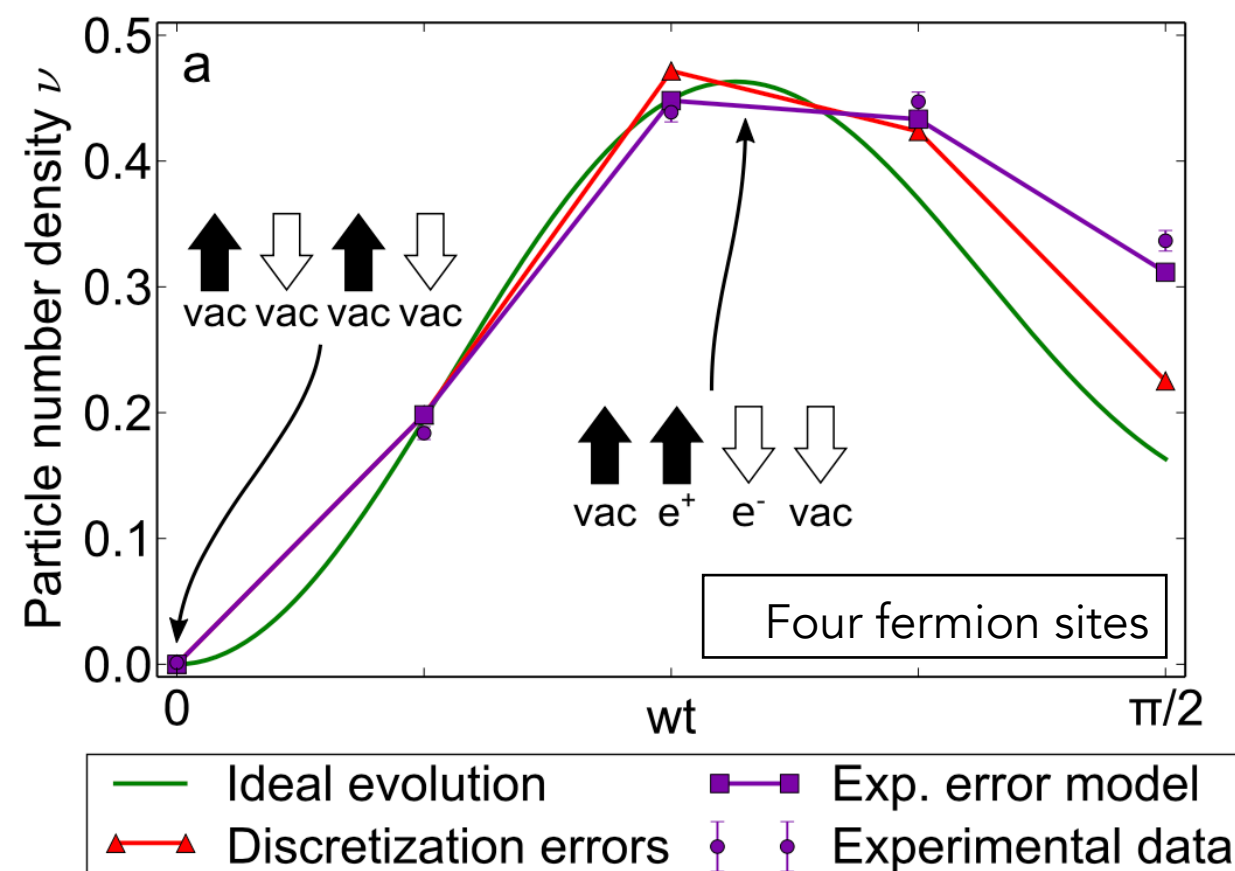
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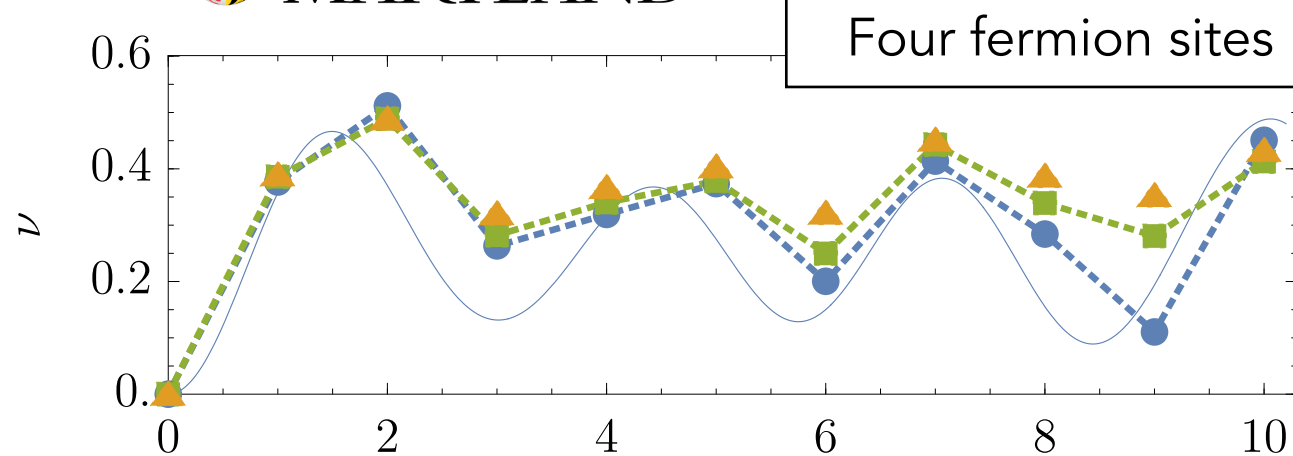
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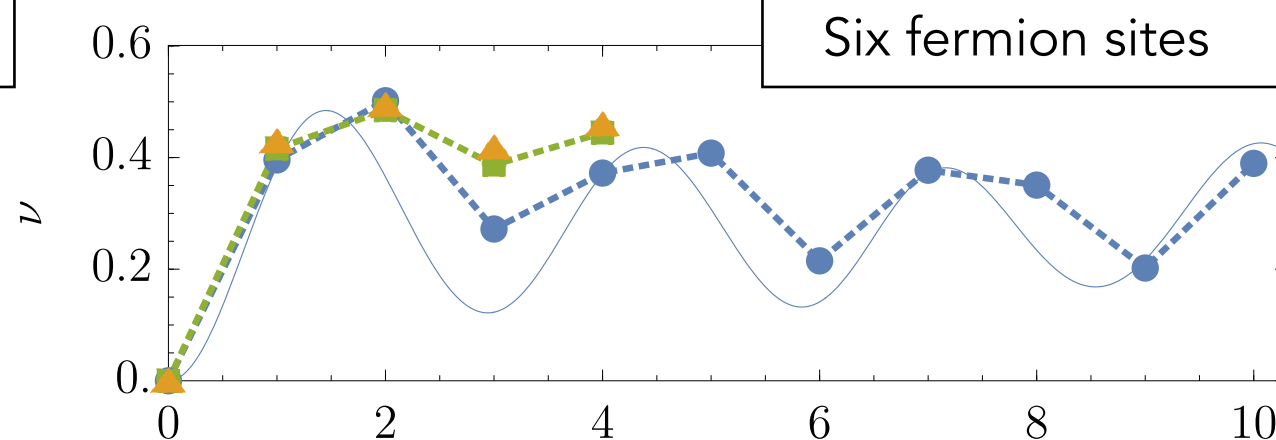
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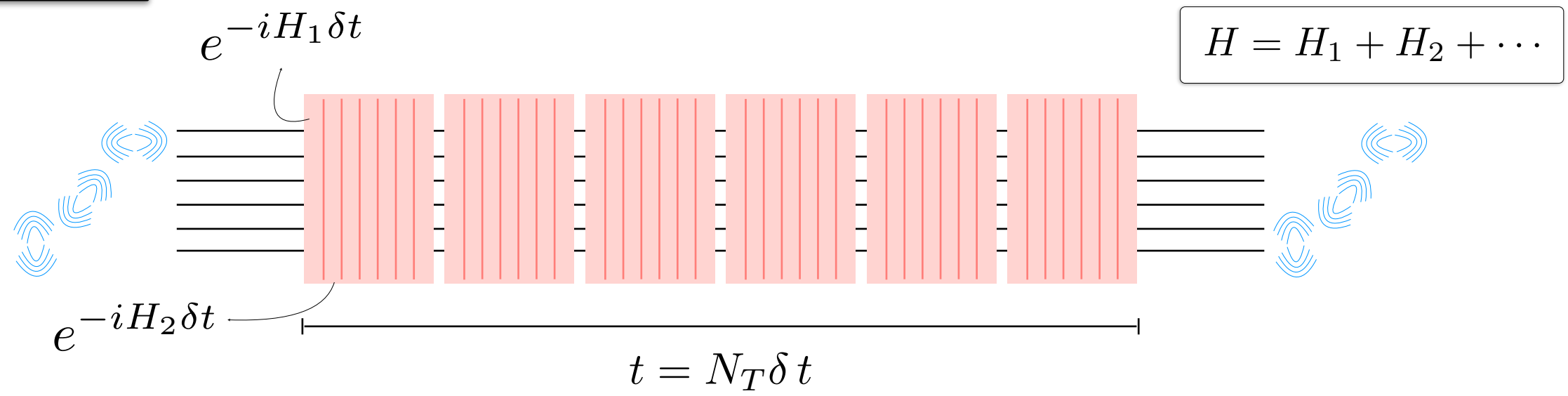
80 entangling gates!

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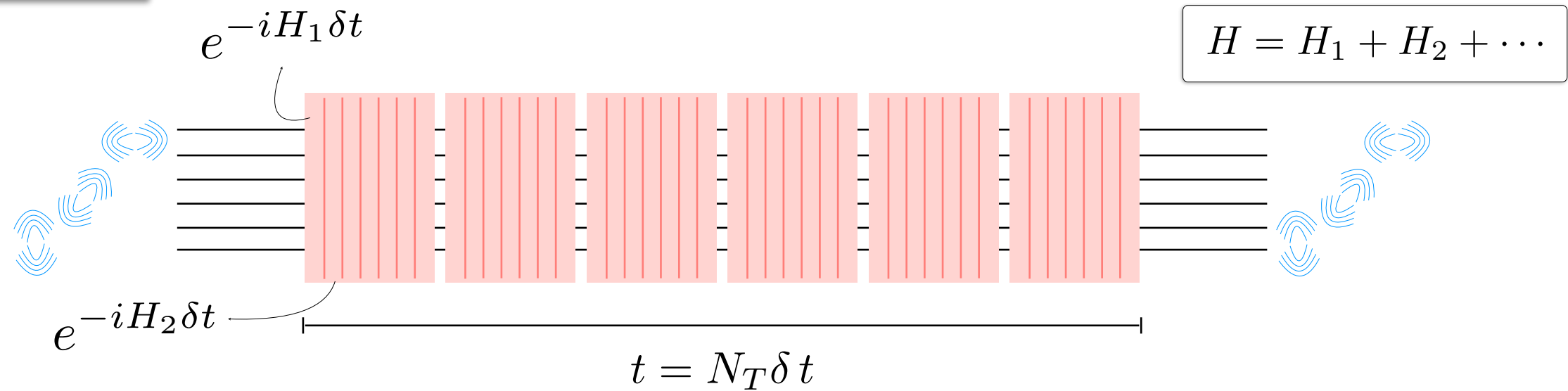


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Analog-Digital



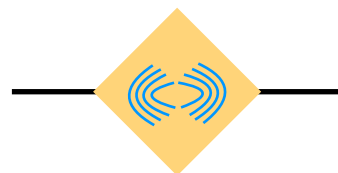
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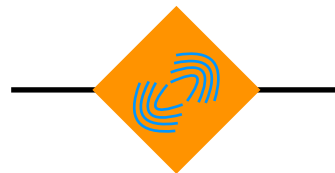
Single-spin gates



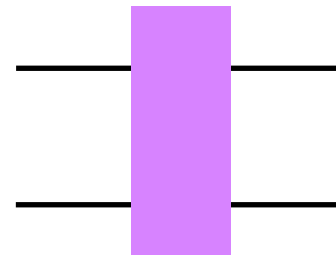
Spin-(normal)
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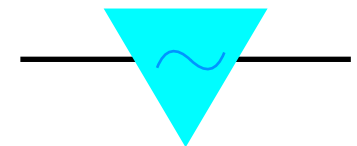
Spin-(local)
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Two-spin gate (MS)



Standing-wave gate



ZD, Linke, Pagano, Phys. Rev. Research 3, 043072 (2021).

How many qubits and gates are required to achieve accuracy ϵ in a given observables? Are there algorithms that scale optimally?

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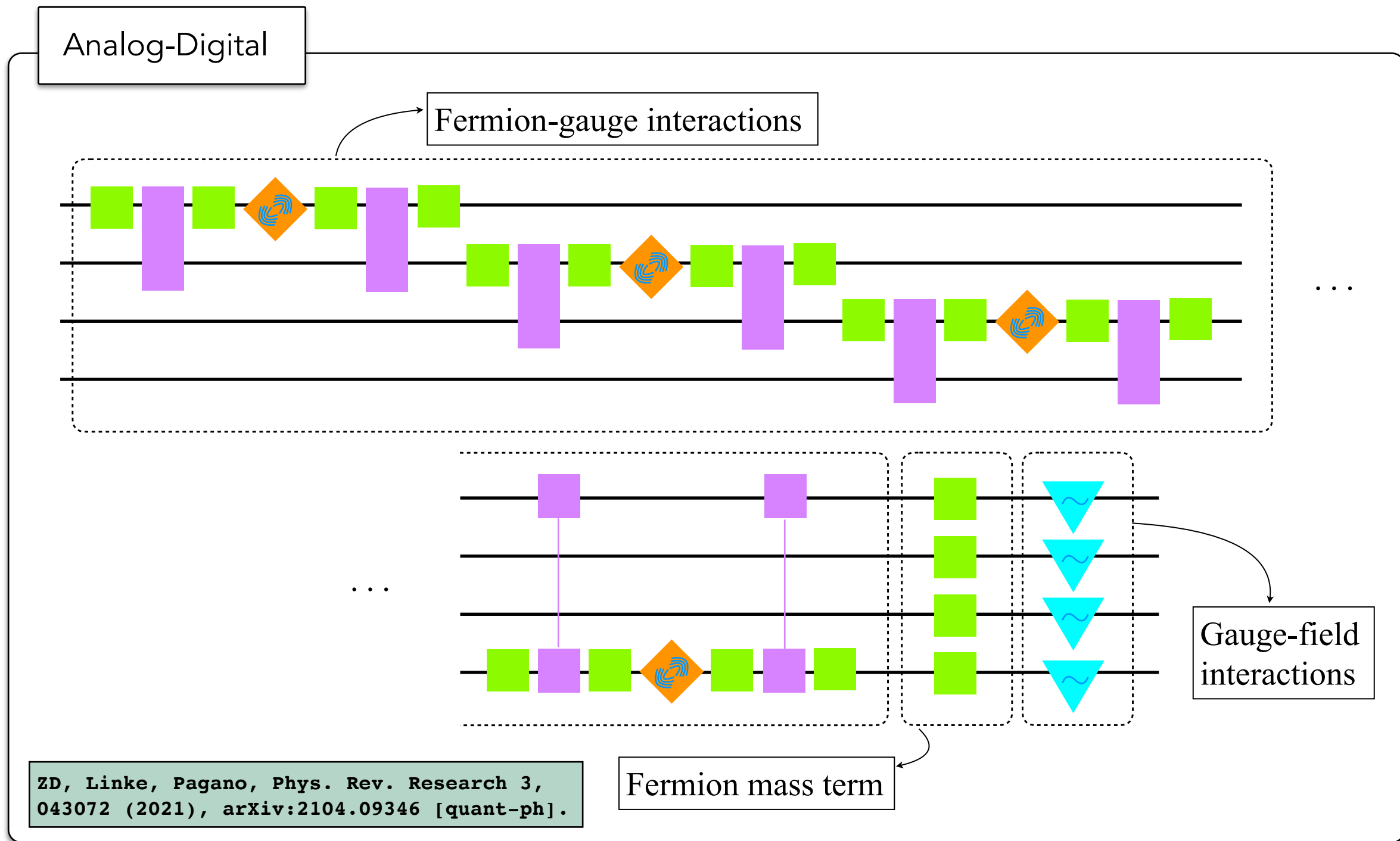
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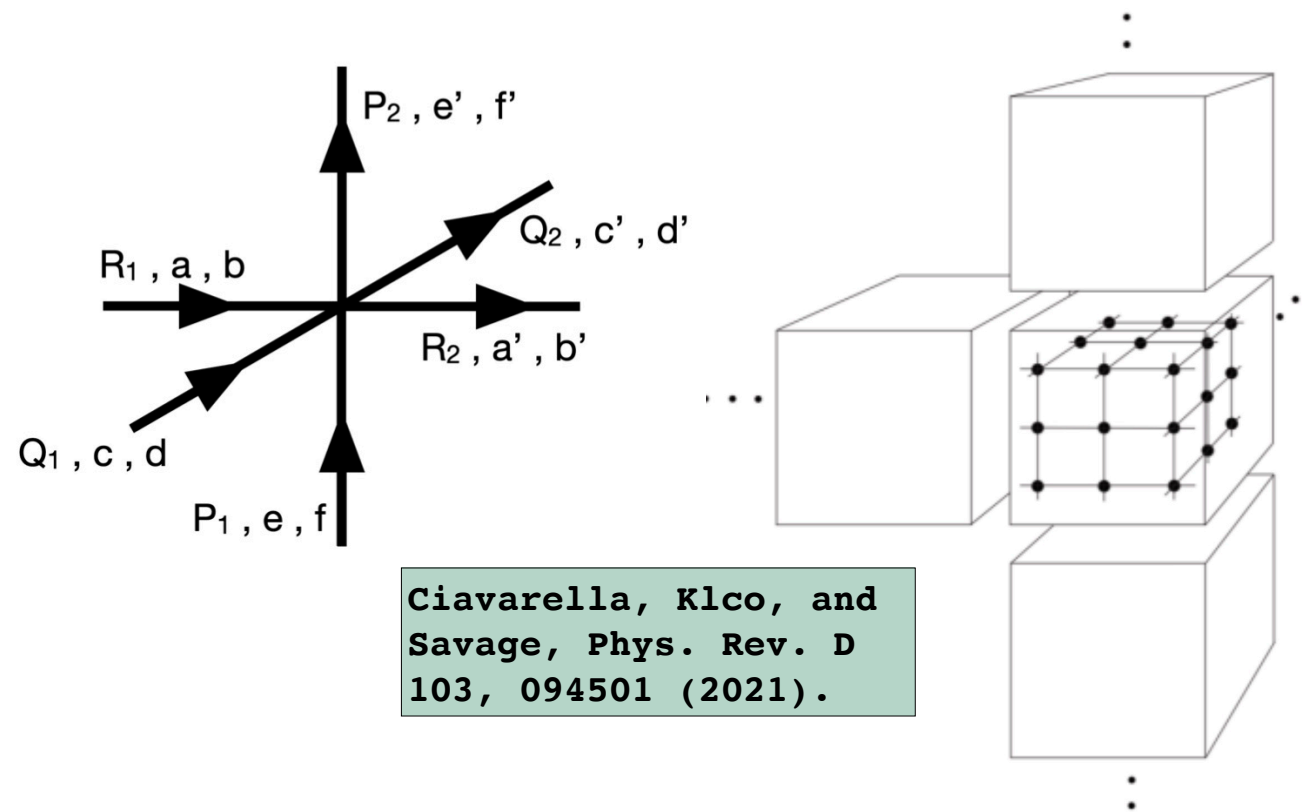
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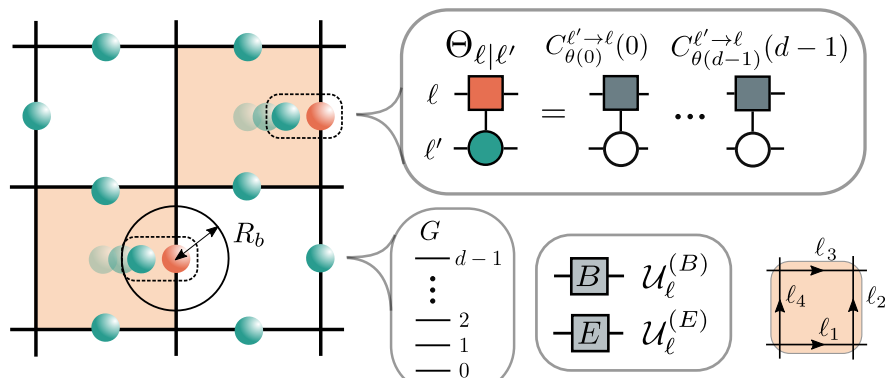


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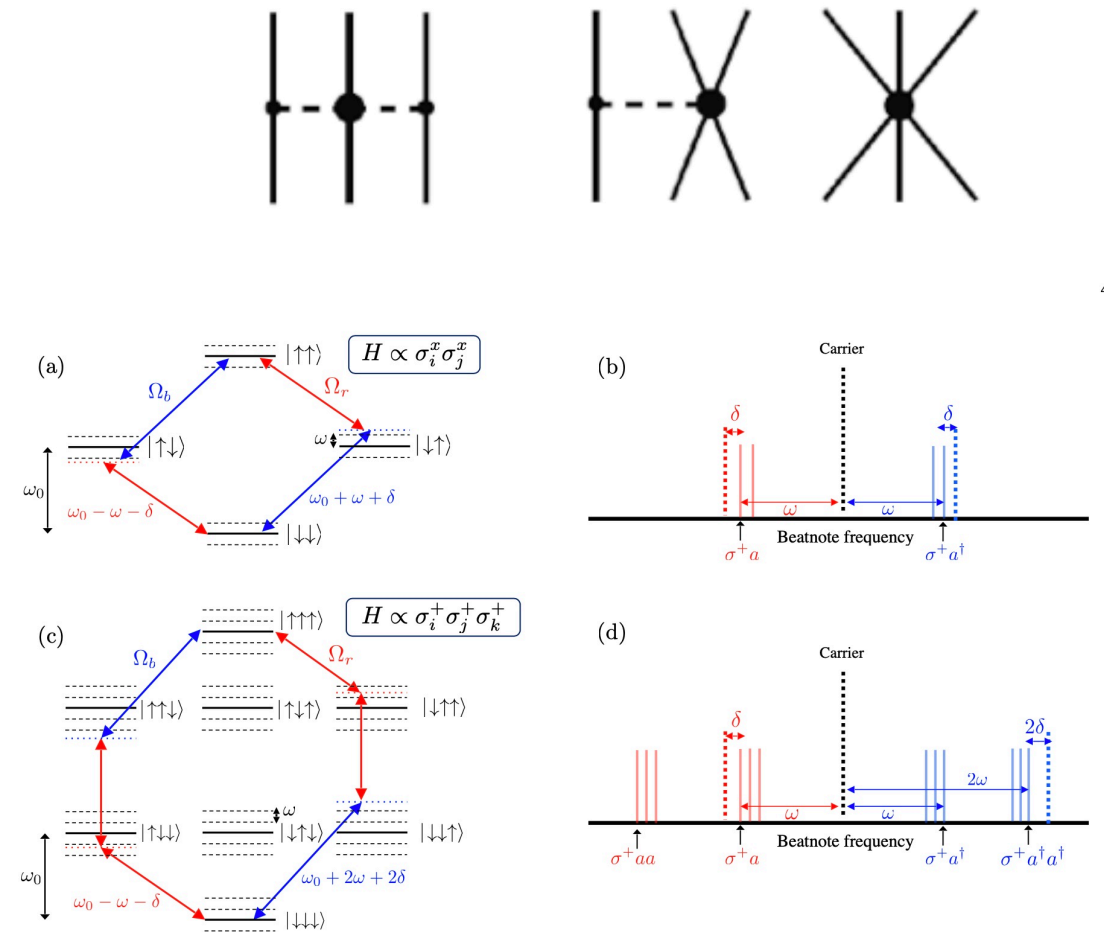
More co-design examples: Multi-dimensional local Hilbert spaces and multi-mode interactions



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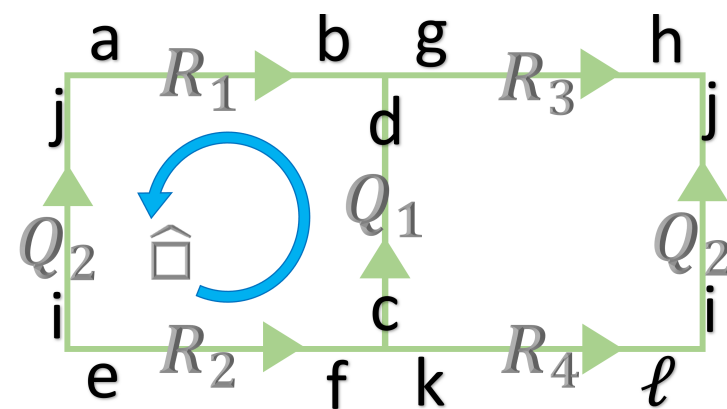
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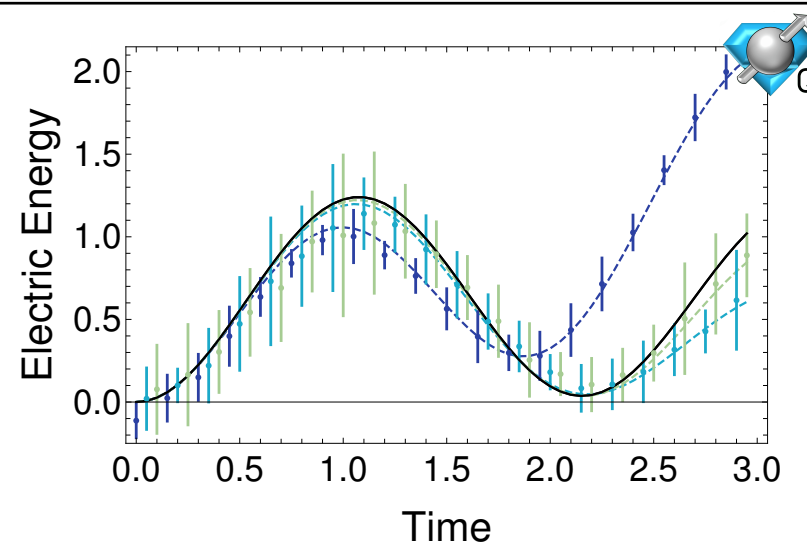
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Finally a few more examples showcasing progress in hardware implementation of a range of QCD-inspired problems...

DIGITAL COMPUTATIONS OF NON-ABELIAN LGTs

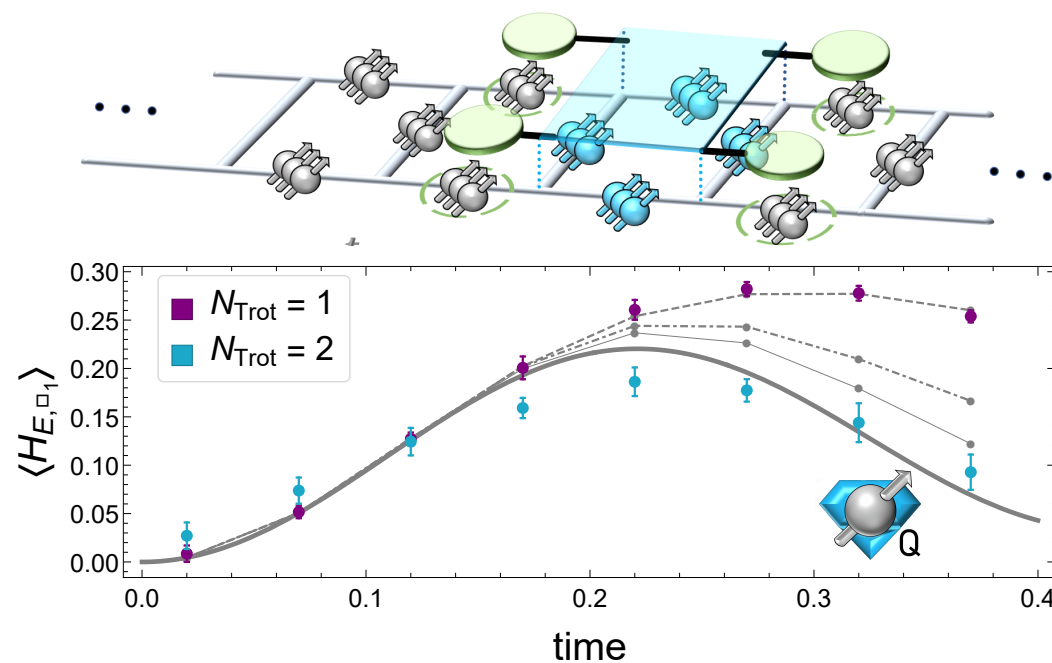


Real-time dynamic of pure SU(3)
with global irreps on IBM

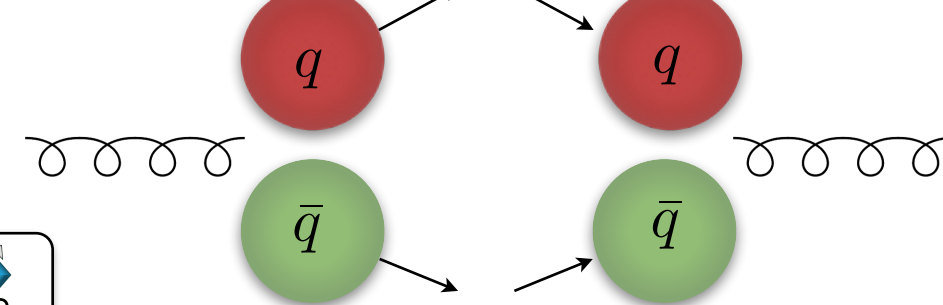


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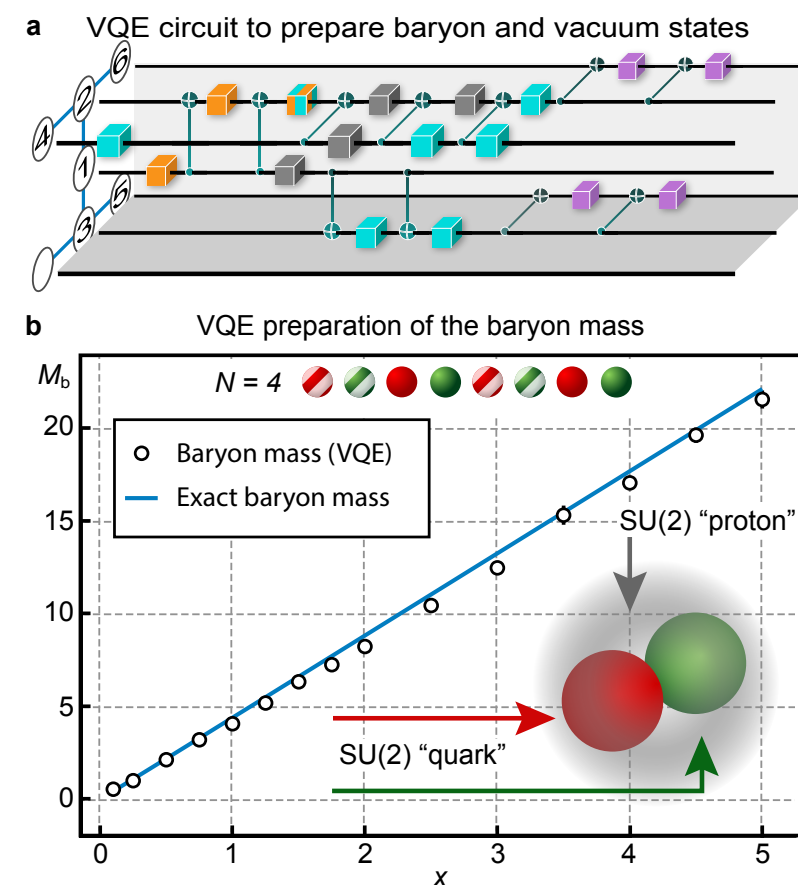
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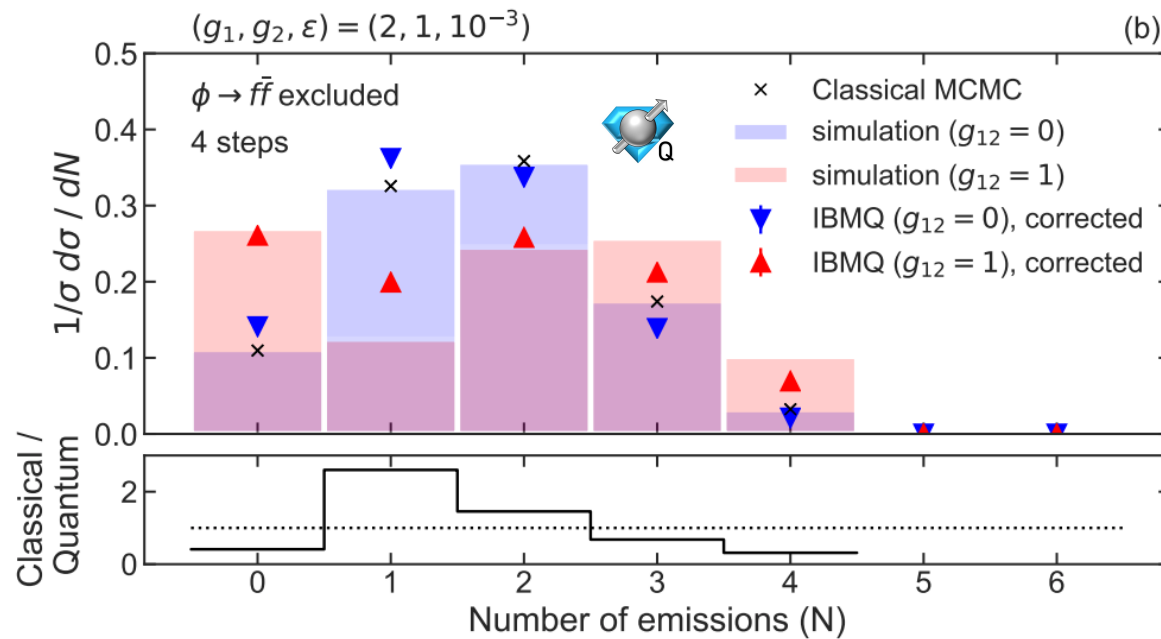
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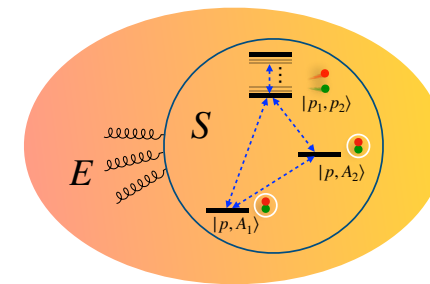
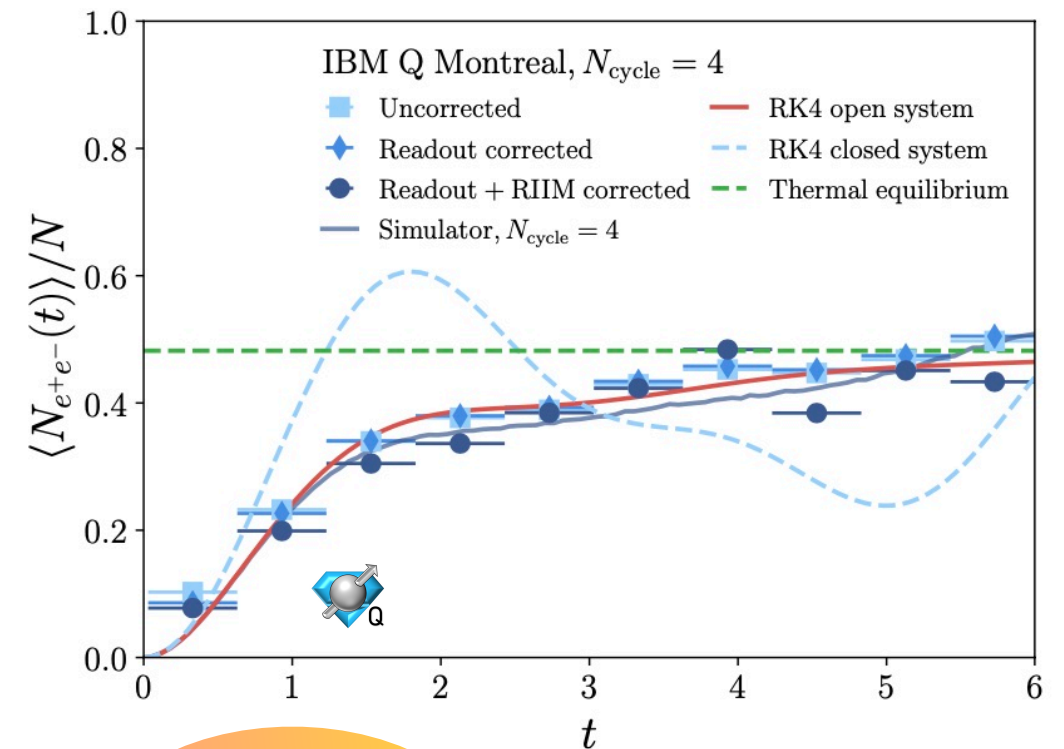
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PARTON SHOWER ALGORITHMS AND HEAVY QUARKONIA MOTION IN QGP?



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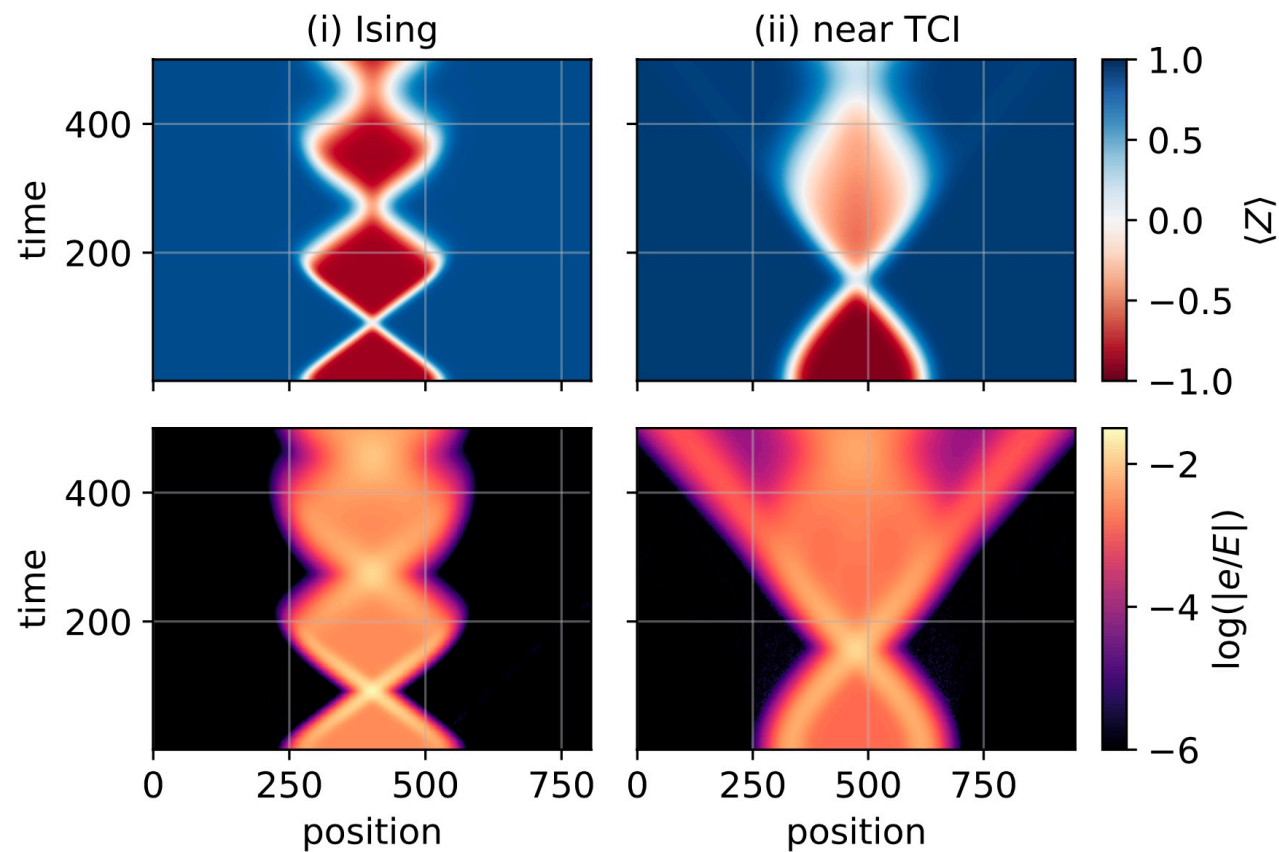
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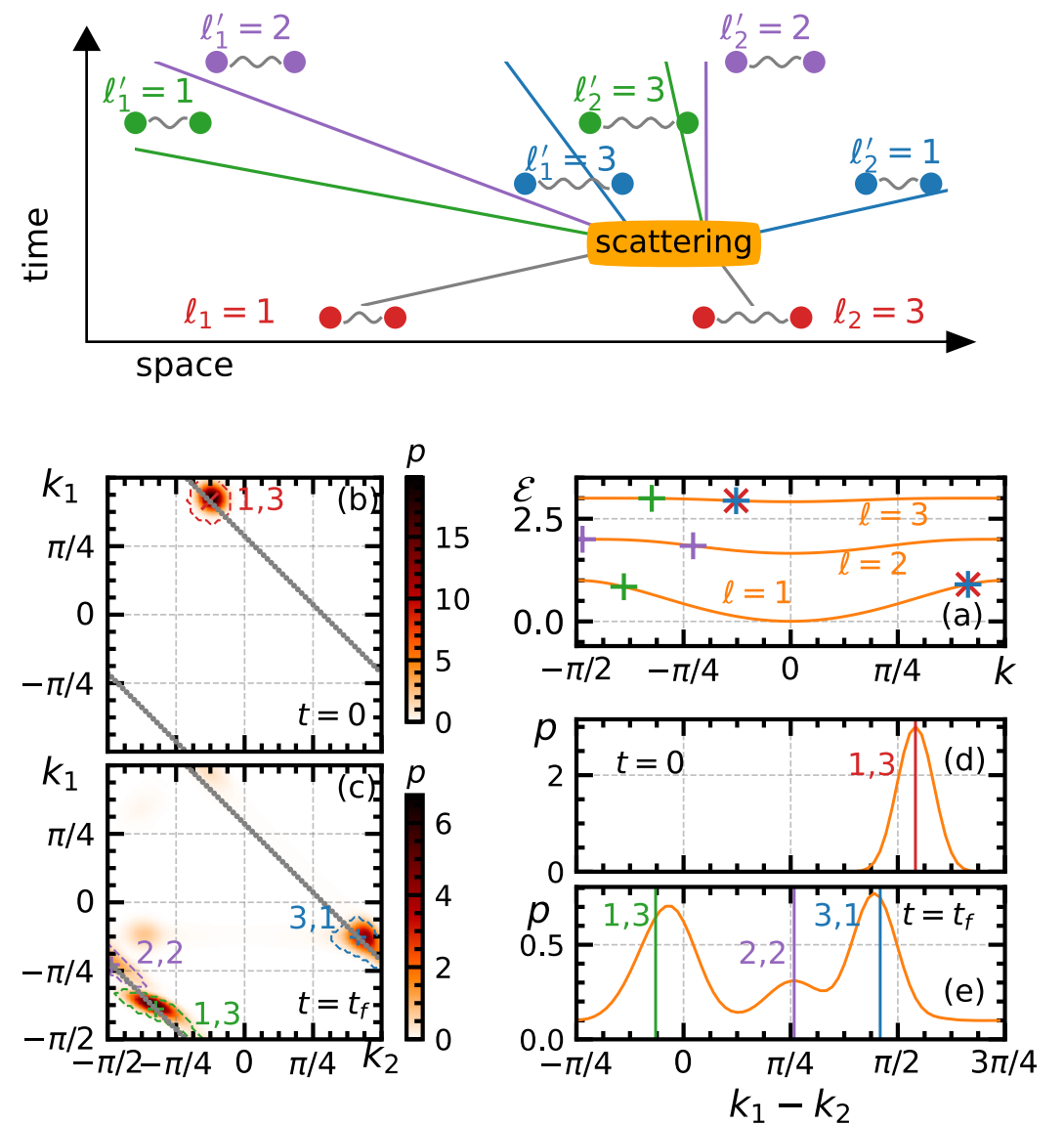
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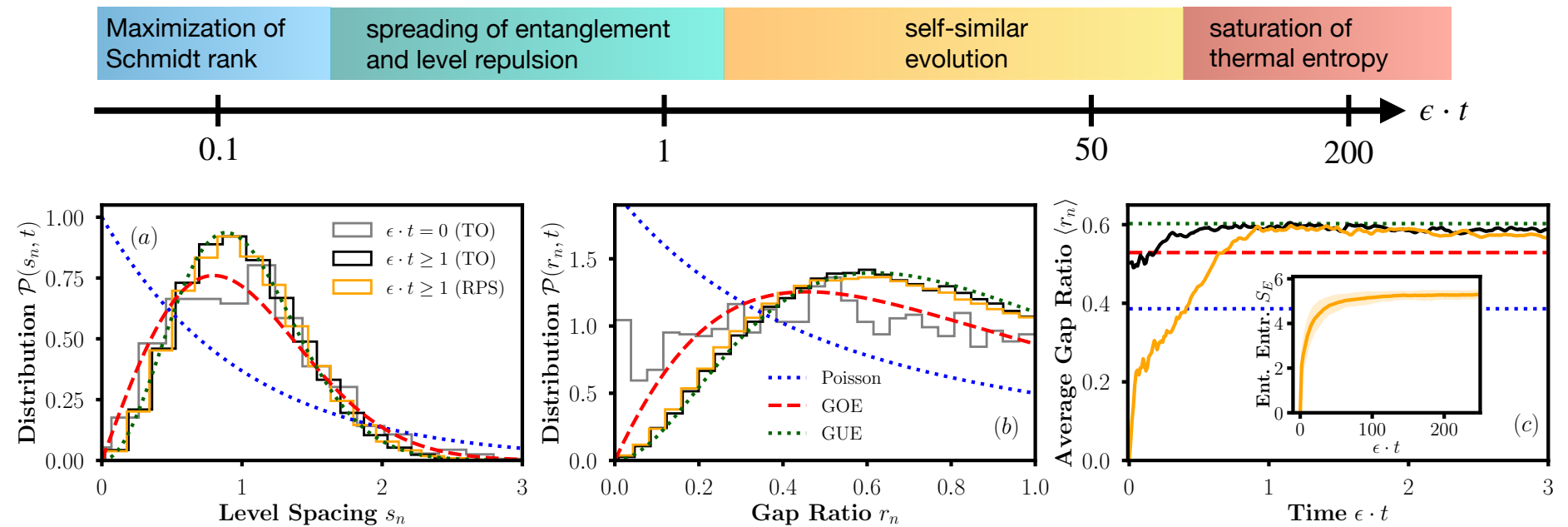


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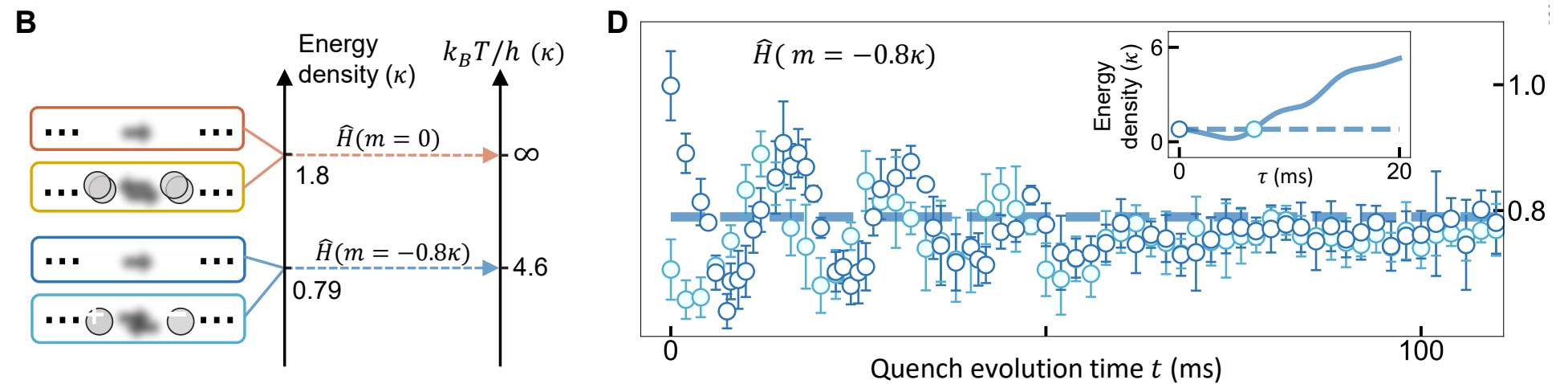
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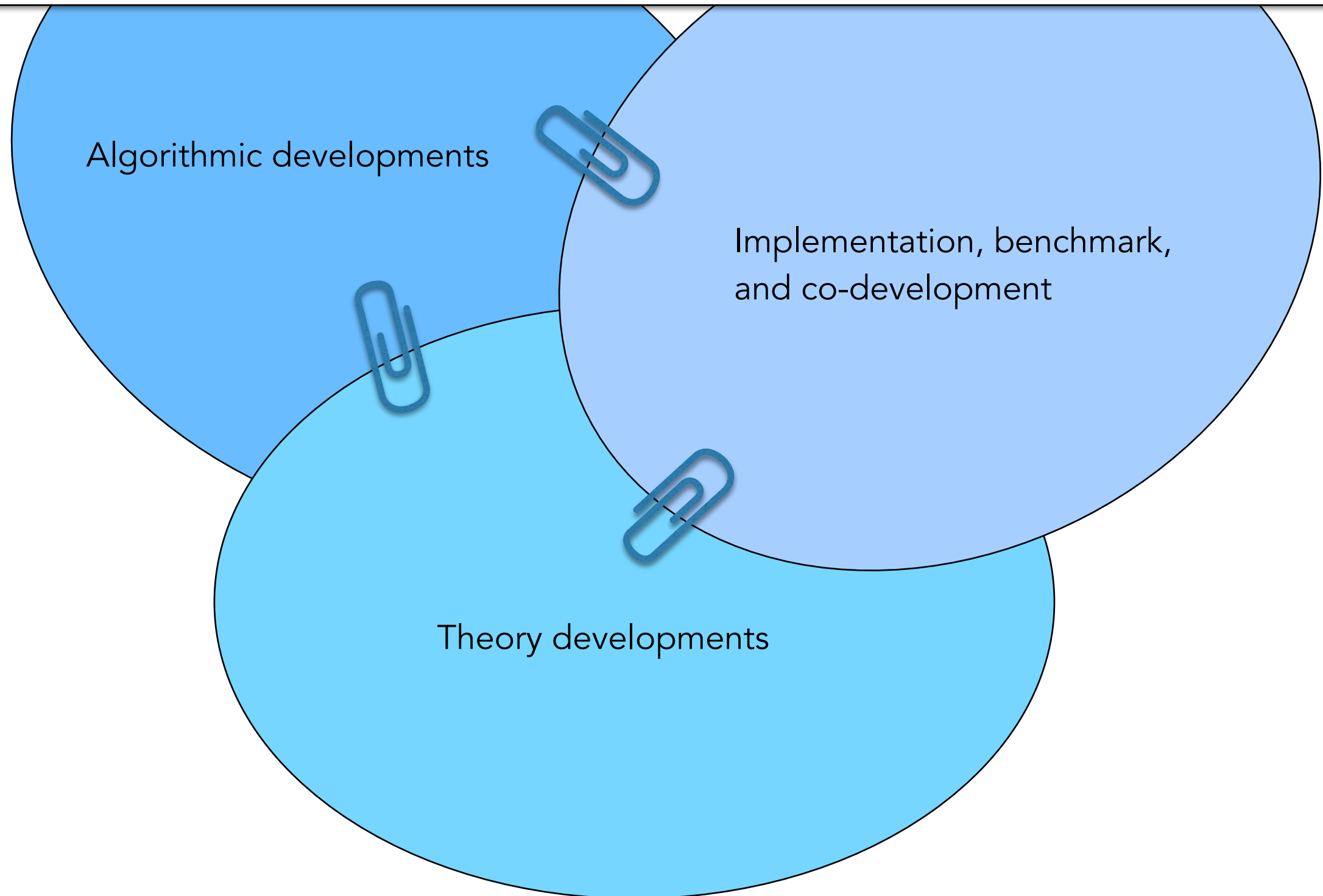


Quantum Link Model in a 70-site analog simulator

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We've got a long way to go to get to **QCD** but we know what to do! If one thing we learned from the successful conventional lattice-QCD program is that **theory/algorithm/experiment** collaborations will be the key. It is even more important in the quantum-computing era since our computers are themselves physical systems!



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