

Energy-Consumption Advantage of Quantum Computation

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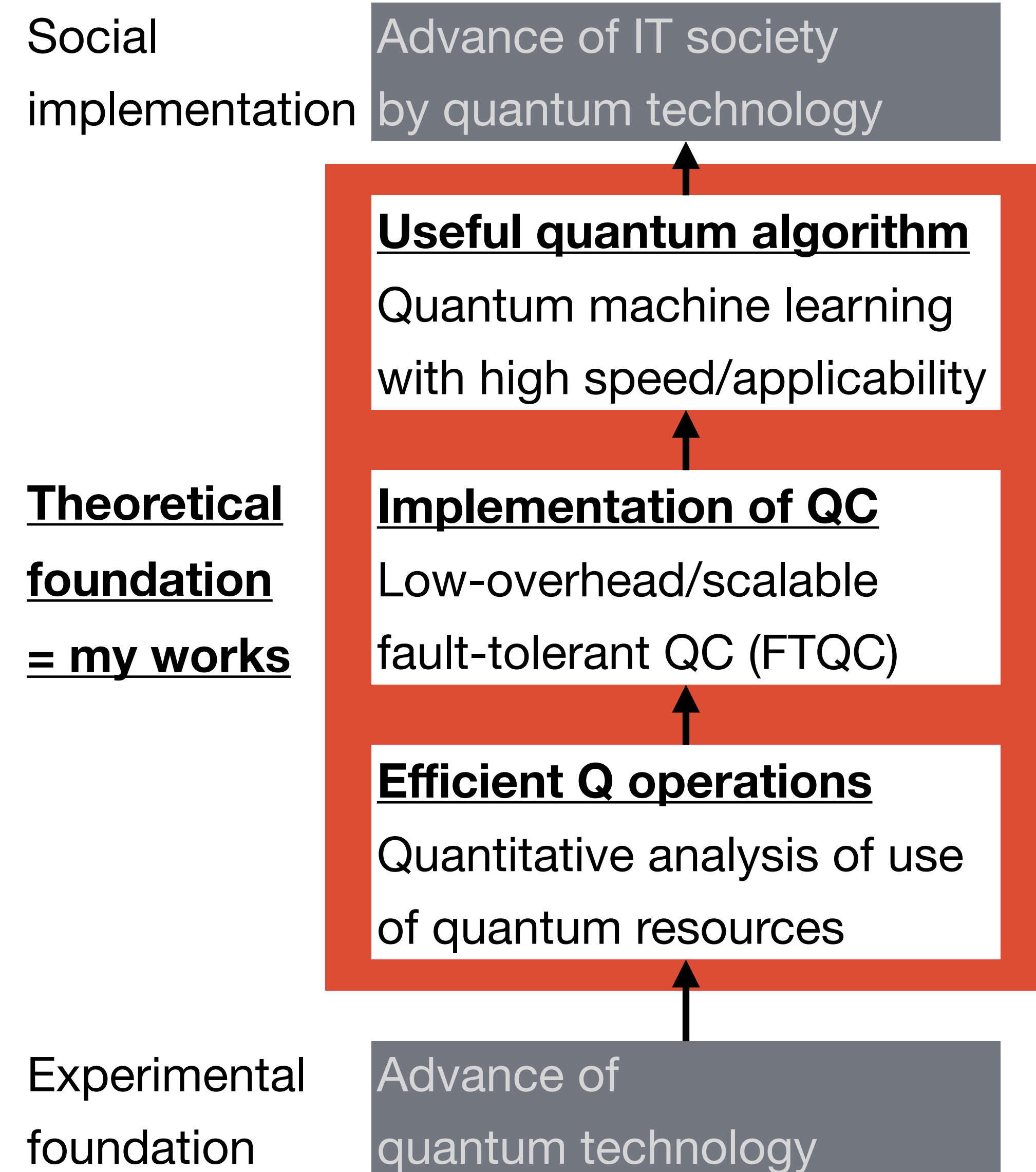
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About me



- **Provable quantum advantage** in solving learning tasks
[arXiv:2305.11212 \(this talk\)](#), [arXiv:2312.03057](#)
- Quantum machine learning (QML) using **exponential speedup without sparse or low-rank matrices**
[arXiv:2004.10756 \(NeurIPS2020\)](#), [arXiv:2106.09028](#)
[arXiv:2301.11936 \(ICML2023\)](#)
- **Time-efficient constant-space-overhead FTQC**
[arXiv:2207.08826 \(To appear in Nature Physics\)](#)
- Analysis of **GKP Code** [arXiv:1910.08301 \(PRA2020\)](#)
[arXiv:1911.11141 \(PRR2020\)](#) [arXiv:2006.05416](#)
- Practical **testing** of entangled states [arXiv:2201.11127](#)
[arXiv:2202.13131 \(PRL2022\)](#)
- **Distributed** quantum information processing
[arXiv:2106.01372 \(Quantum2022\)](#) etc.

Energy Consumption in Computation

Energy consumption: A part of **performance measures** of modern computers

Sustainability



<https://blogs.nvidia.com/blog/what-is-green-computing/>

Foundation of quantum mechanics

Quantum computation is substantially advantageous over classical in

- Time complexity
- Query complexity
- Communication complexity

But not in memory consumption (up to polynomial)

Watrous, computational complexity 12, 48 (2003)

Q: Can quantum computation offer a substantial **energy-consumption advantage** over classical?

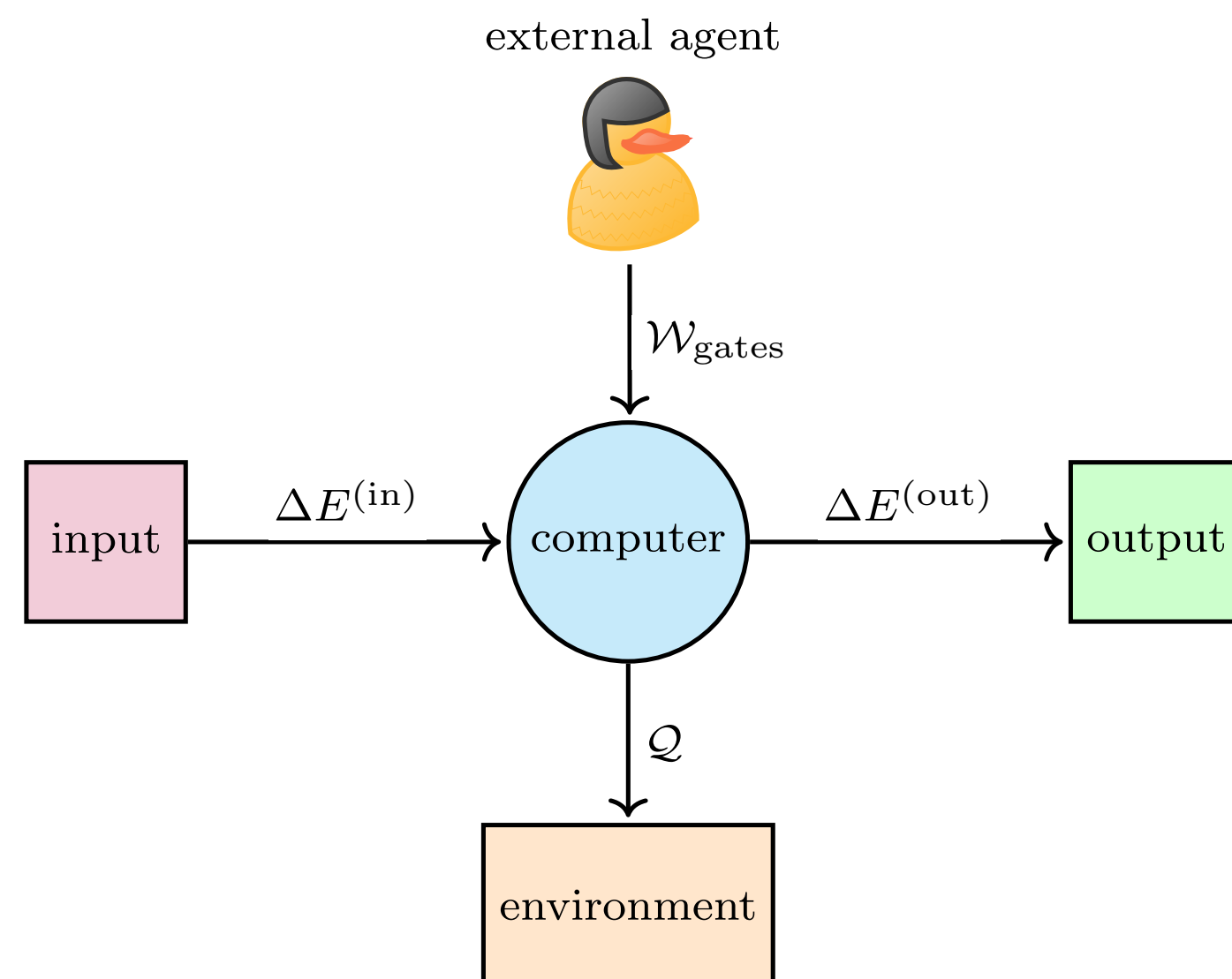
Summary of Main Results

Existing works on quantum thermo: Cost of operation



This work: Cost of overall computation

1: Framework for thorough analysis



2: Fundamental bounds on energy consumption

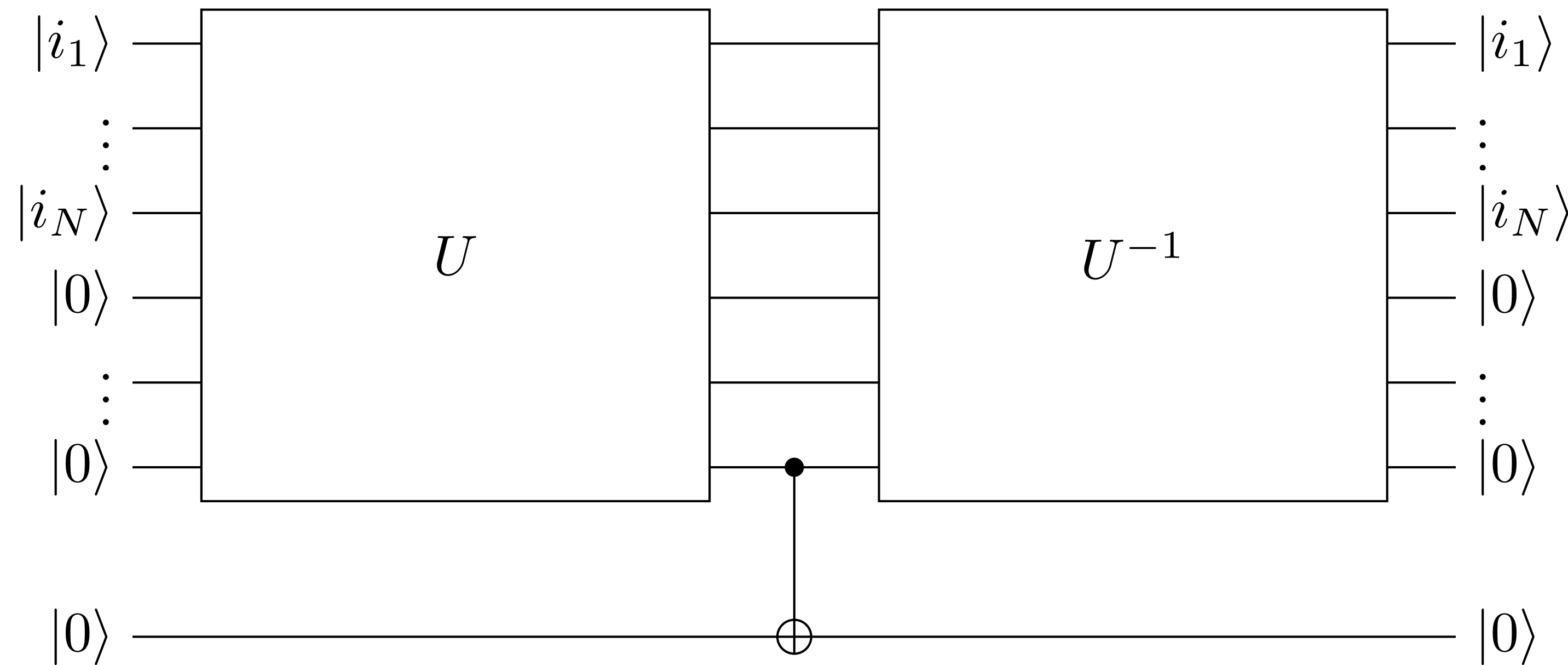
	General bound	For Simon's problem
Quantum	$\mathcal{W} \leq \mathcal{W}^{(Q)}$	$\mathcal{W}^{(Q)} < O(\text{poly}(N))$
Classical	$\mathcal{W} \geq \mathcal{W}^{(C)}$	$\mathcal{W}^{(C)} > \exp(\Omega(N))$
		For N-bit input

Developing fundamental framework and techniques for **rigorously studying energy consumption** of quantum and classical computation

Challenge in Bounding Energy Consumption

Idea: Computation as a thermodynamic cycle

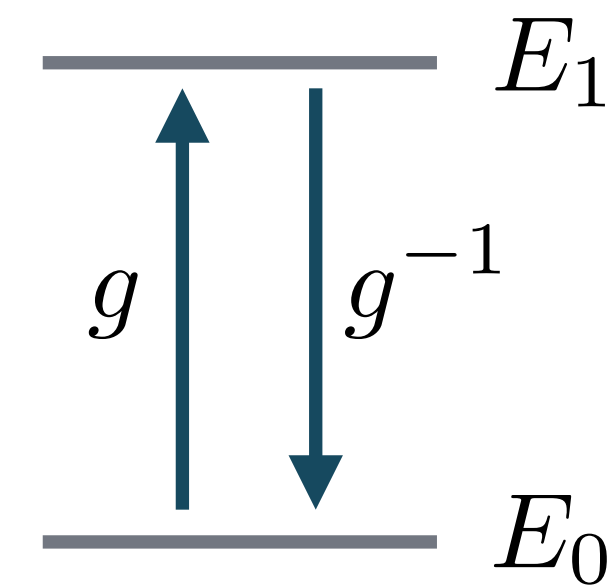
Fact: Any (quantum & classical) computation can be implemented in a reversible way



Compute

Output

Uncompute: Invert all gates in the reverse order

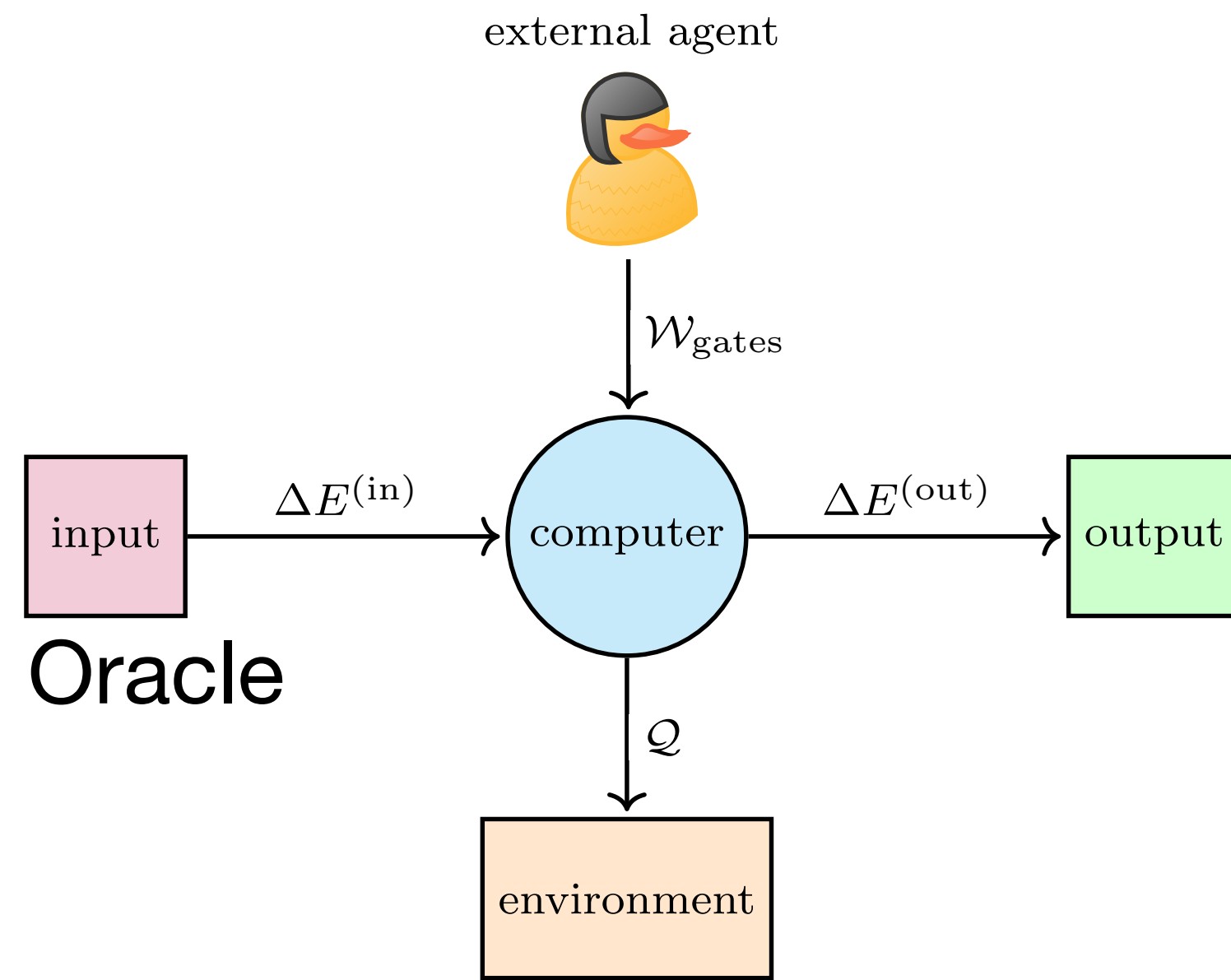


1. Invest energy to apply a gate g
2. **Returned** eventually with g^{-1}

Suppose the limit of ideal implementation (negligibly small friction or electrical resistance)

→ One can implement **any reversible computation with almost no energy consumption**

Formulation 1/3: Computation with Oracle



Observation: Nobody uses uncomputation in practice

→ Theoretically impose **irreversibility** by introducing black-box **oracle**

Quantum access to an oracle $O_f \left(\sum_x \alpha_x |x\rangle |0\rangle \right) = \sum_x \alpha_x |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$

Classical access to the same oracle $|x\rangle |0\rangle \rightarrow |x\rangle |f(x)\rangle$

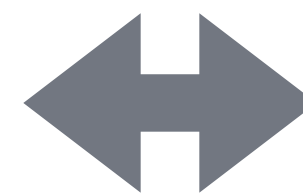
Assumption: Oracle is irreversible → Uncomputation is prohibited

Computation with oracle = Learning a property of function f : Simon's problem

Given an N-bit function $f_N : \{0, 1\}^N \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^N$, decide if it is a one-to-one function

or a two-to-one function $f_N(x) = f_N(x \oplus s)$ Bitwise XOR

Quantum: poly(N) queries

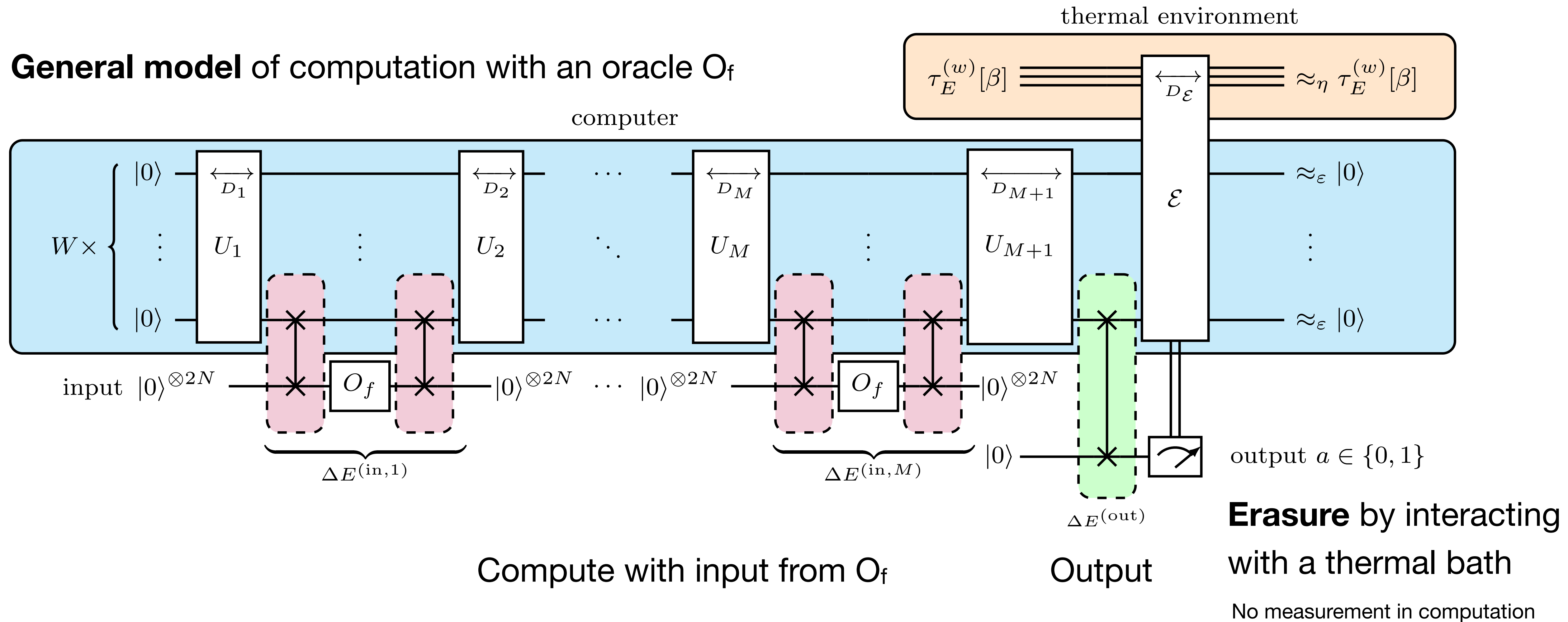


Classical: exp(N) queries

Quantum advantage in query complexity, but how about energy?

Formulation 2/3: Computational Model

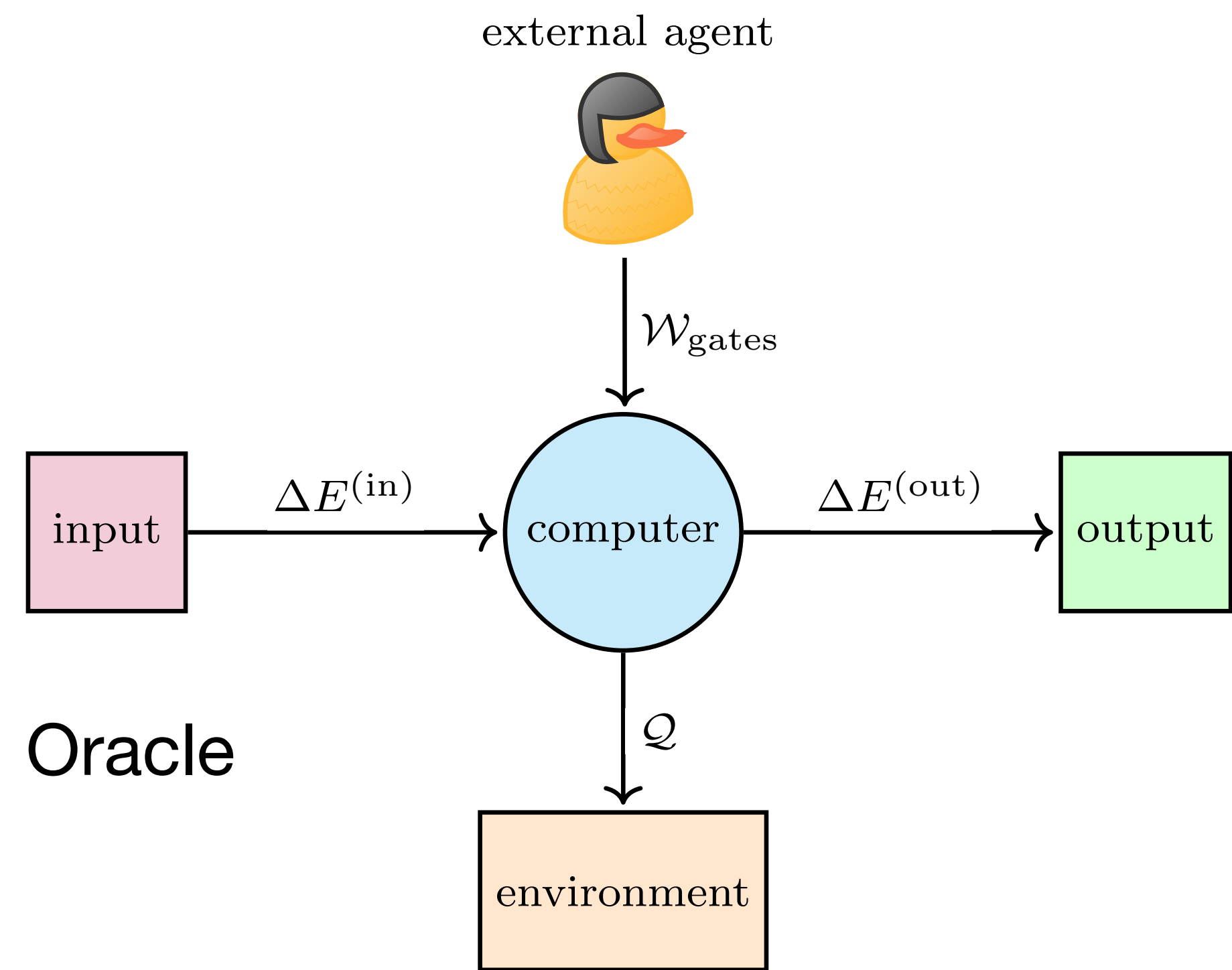
General model of computation with an oracle O_f



All information about function f input from the oracle remains in the computer

→ Erasure of the information requires the energy consumption = **Landaur's principle**

Formulation 3/3: Definition of Energy Consumption

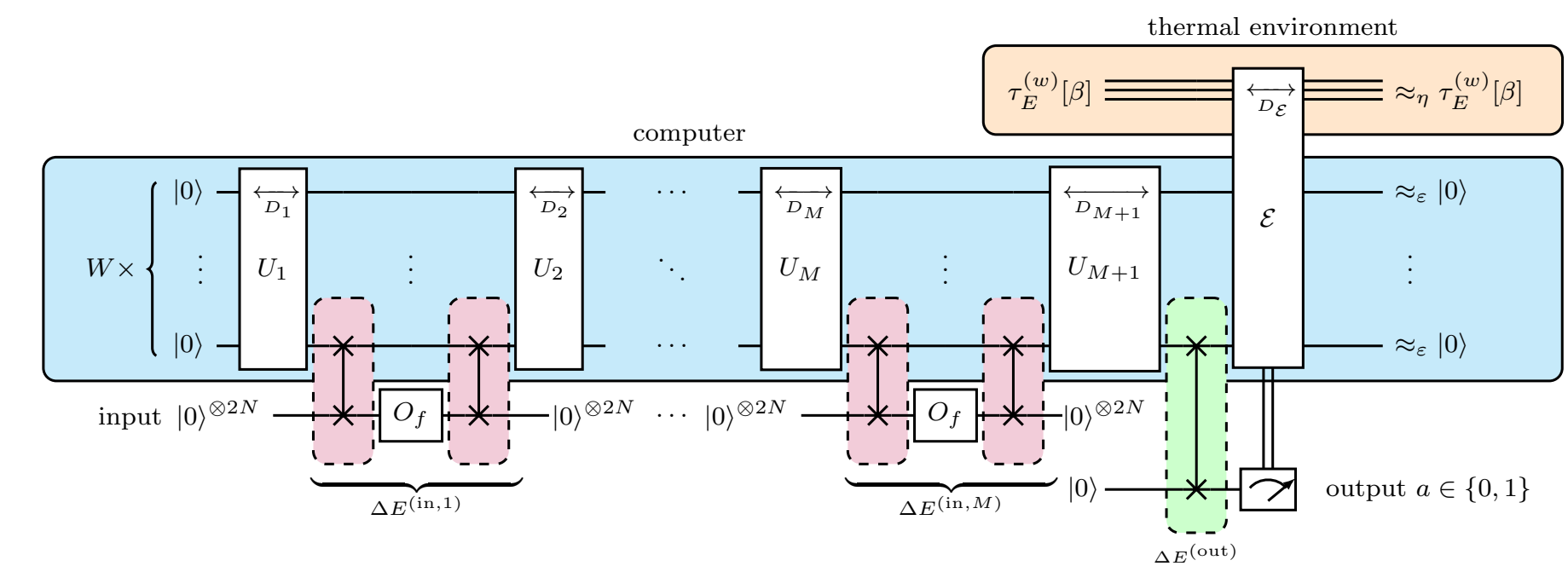


Def: Energy consumption

$$\mathcal{W} := \mathcal{W}_{\text{gate}} + \Delta E^{(\text{in})} - \Delta E^{(\text{out})}$$

Law of energy conservation

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{Q}$$

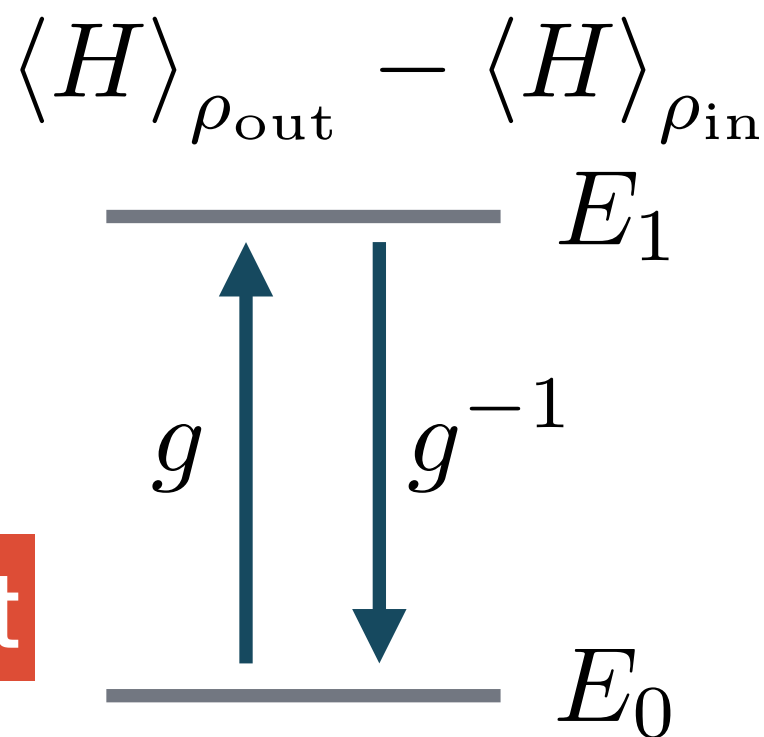


Formulating the **thorough framework** to analyze the energy consumption in computation with oracle

Result 1/4: Energy Consumption in Computation

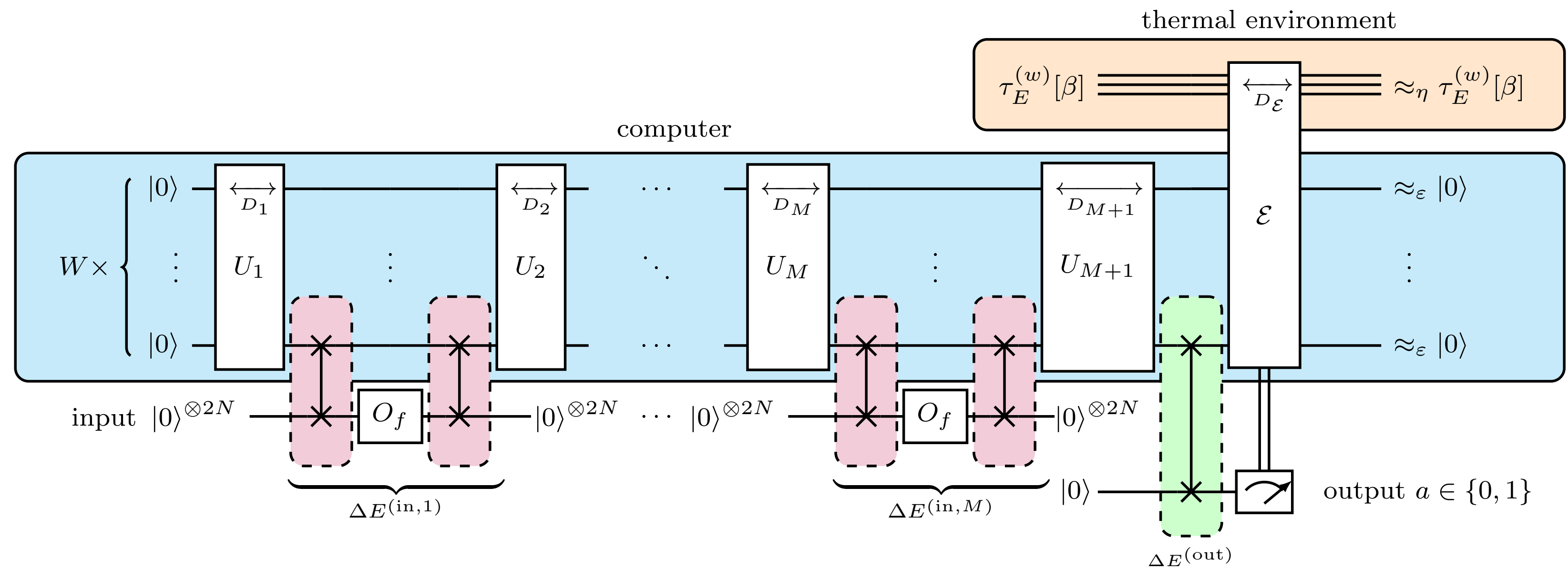
Energy consumption

$$\mathcal{W} := \mathcal{W}_{\text{gate}} + \Delta E^{(\text{in})} - \Delta E^{(\text{out})}$$



= Energetic cost

- Energy **change** of computer's state
- Can be positive or negative per gate
- Sum up to zero for thermo cycle



+ Control cost

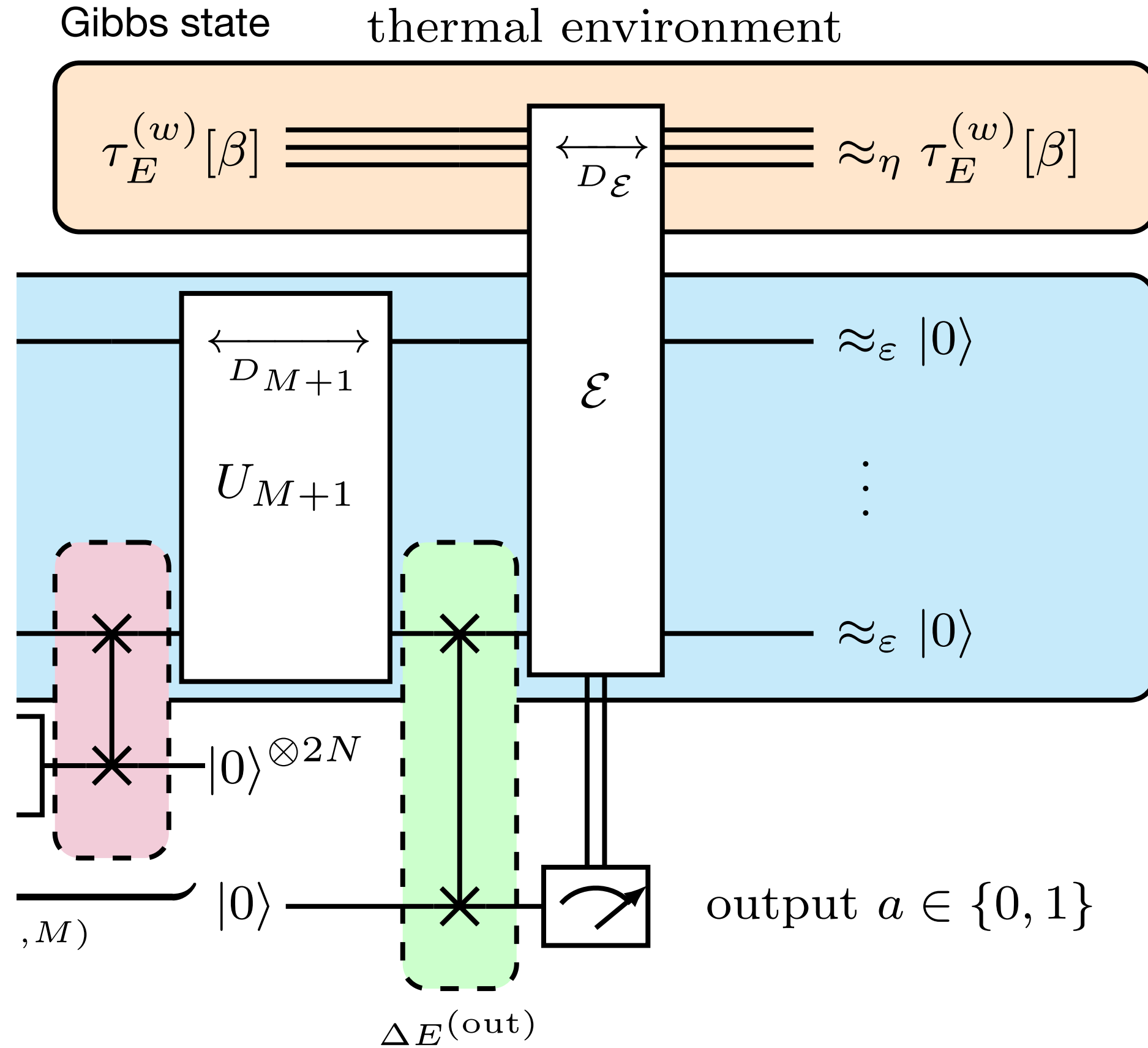
- Energy **loss** per gate
- At most $O(1)$ per gate
- Could be arbitrarily close to zero
E.g., no friction or electrical resistance

+ Initialization cost

- Dissipation in **initialization**
- Nonzero due to Landauer
- We also need upper bound
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Identifying **all the factors** that contribute to the energy consumption in our computatinal framework

Result 2/4: Finite-Step Landauer Erasure



Task: Given $\rho_S \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{C}^d)$, $\epsilon \in (0, 1/2]$, $\eta \in (0, 1]$, achieve

$$\rho_S \otimes \tau_E[\beta] \xrightarrow{U_{\mathcal{E}}} \rho'_S \otimes \tau_{E'} \quad \text{Auxiliary Gibbs state for erasure}$$

$$F(\rho'_S, |0\rangle) \geq 1 - \epsilon \quad \text{High fidelity to the initial pure state}$$

$$D(\tau_{E'} || \tau_E) \leq \eta \quad \text{Negligible disturbance of thermal bath}$$

→ **Finite precision** suffices for quantum error correction

Thm: We construct a T-step Landauer-erasure protocol

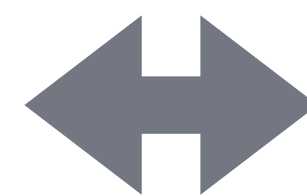
$$T = O\left(\frac{1}{\eta} \log\left(\frac{d^2}{\epsilon\eta}\right)\right) \quad \text{Finitely bounded steps}$$

$$\Delta S \leq \beta Q_E \leq \Delta S + \eta \quad \text{Optimal up to finite tunable parameter}$$

Landauer's lower bound on heat dissipation

Existing work: Infinite steps
Asymptotically optimal protocol

Reeb, Wolf, arXiv:1306.4352, Taranto et al., arXiv:2106.05151



Our work: Finite precision with finite steps
= Achieving bounded energy consumption

Result 3/4: Energy-Consumption Bounds

Quantum upper bound $\mathcal{W} \leq \mathcal{W}^{(Q)}$

= **Energetic cost** + **Control cost** + **Initialization cost**

Sum up to zero for thermo cycle $O(1)$ per gate $\rightarrow O(\#\text{gates})$ $\Delta S + \eta$: entropy to be erased

$T = O\left(\frac{1}{\eta} \log\left(\frac{d^2}{\epsilon\eta}\right)\right)$ for erasure Our finite Landauer erasure

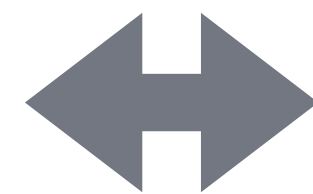
Classical lower bound $\mathcal{W} \geq \mathcal{W}^{(C)}$ = **Initialization cost** ΔS : entropy to be erased

Landauer's principle

Implication: Exponential energy-consumption advantage in solving Simon's problem

Quantum: $O(N)$ queries

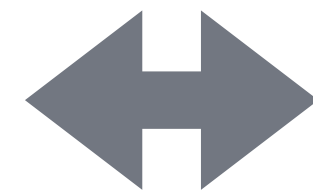
+ $O(N^3)$ gates for computation



Classical: $\Omega(2^{N/2})$ queries

Quantum: $O(N^8)$ energy consumption

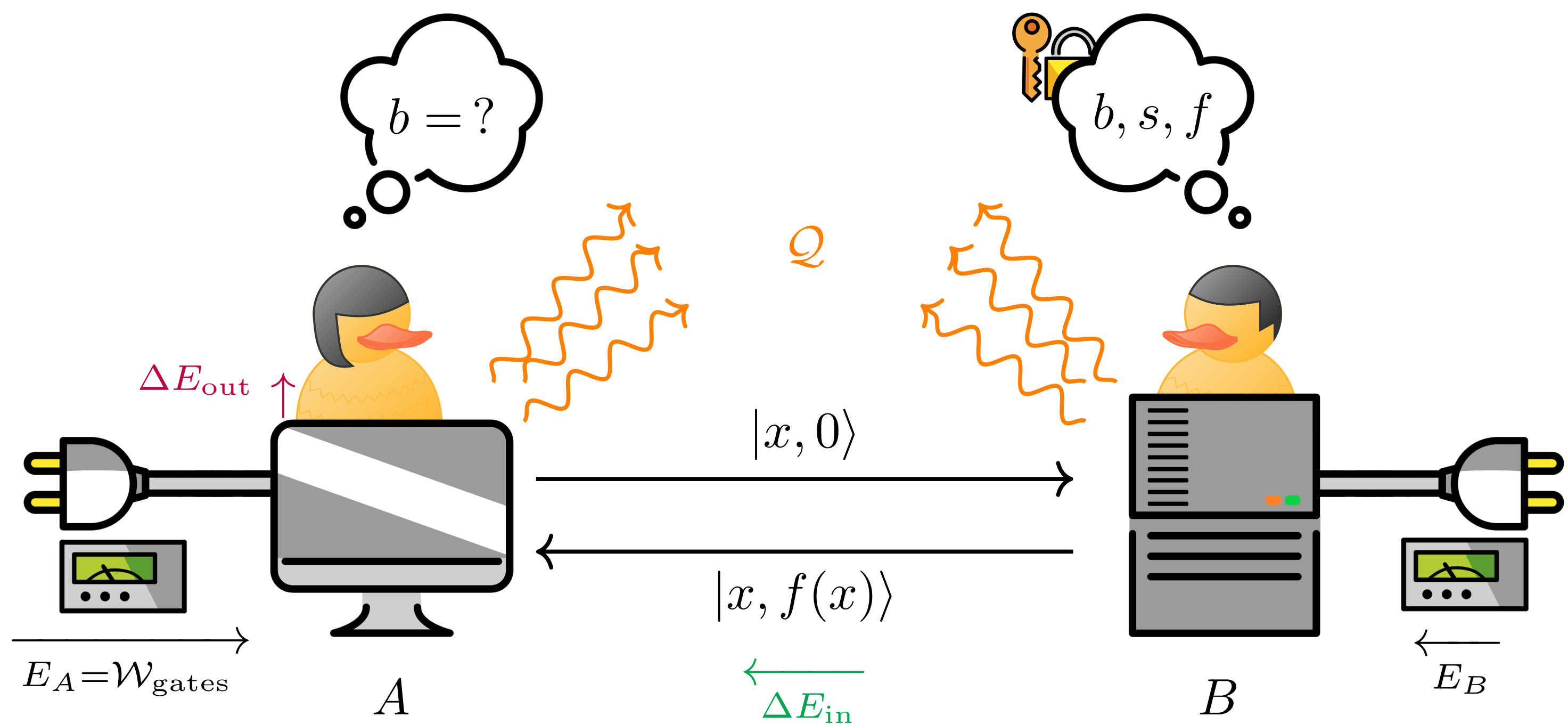
Including overhead of quantum error correction



Classical: $\Omega(2^{N/2}N)$ energy consumption

New quantum advantage

Result 4/4: Toward Experimental Demonstration



In charge of **computation**

Estimate b

In charge of **Simon's oracle**

$b=0 \rightarrow$ one-to-one N -bit random function

$b=1 \rightarrow$ two-to-one N -bit random function $f_N(x) = f_N(x \oplus s)$

To be implemented in $\text{poly}(N)$ time with pseudo-random permutation

Classical lower bound to beat

- Extrapolation
- Fundamental lower bound

N	$\mathcal{W}^{(C)}$ (J)
50	2×10^{-13}
100	1×10^{-5}
150	7×10^2
200	3×10^{10}
250	1×10^{18}
300	5×10^{25}

Our analysis explicitly clarifies the constant factors of analytical lower bounds for Simon's problem

Opening way to demonstrate energy-consumption quantum advantage over any possible classical

Conclusion

- **Energy-consumption advantage of quantum computation** emerges in our framework of computation owing to the irreversibility of the oracle
- The energy consumption of quantum computation can be **upper bounded by the number of steps** (up to potentially large yet constant factors)
- The energy consumption of classical computation can be **lower bounded by Landauer's principle**, even in the limit of idealization with negligibly small friction or electrical resistance
- **Solid theoretical foundation for experimental demonstration** of this new advantage is now available

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