

QuanEstimation.jl - Numerical Quantum Parameter Estimation with Julia

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Classical Measurement and Standard Quantum Limit

- ▶ Standard quantum limit (shot-noise limit) $\sim 1/\sqrt{N}$



The Monolith in 2001: A Space Odyssey

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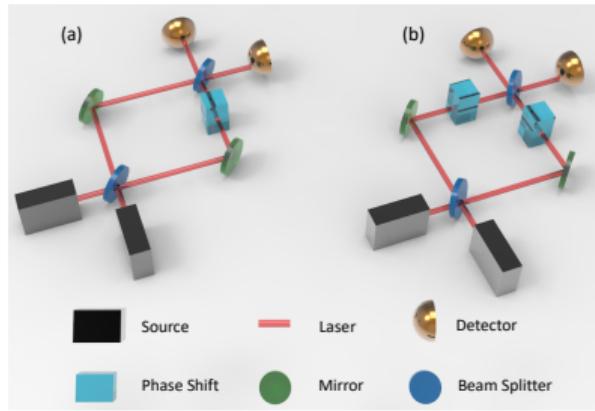
Central limit theorem

When N is large, the average of N independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) random variables with finite variance σ^2 converges to a normal distribution with variance σ^2/N .

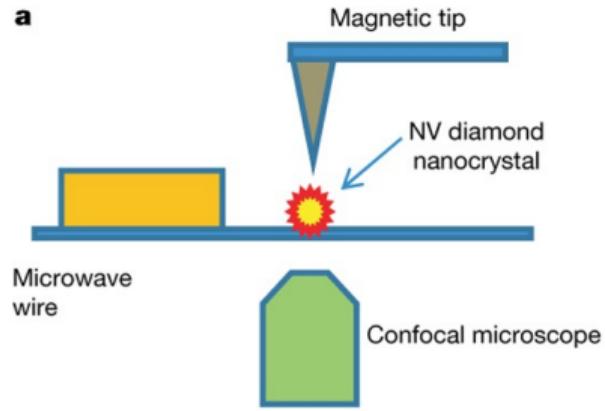
The classical measurement precision is bounded by the central limit theorem.

Towards Enhanced Precision Beyond The Standard Quantum Limit

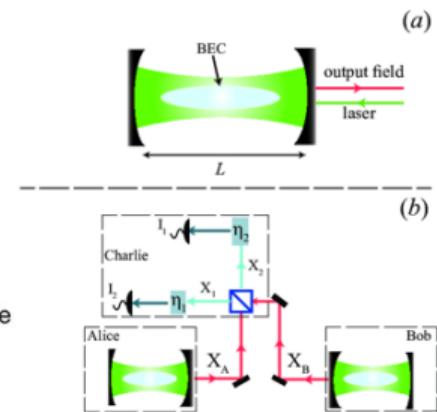
- ▶ Quantum metrology: Heisenberg limit



Phase estimation in the Mach-Zehnder interferometer^[1]



Magnetometry with NV center^[2]



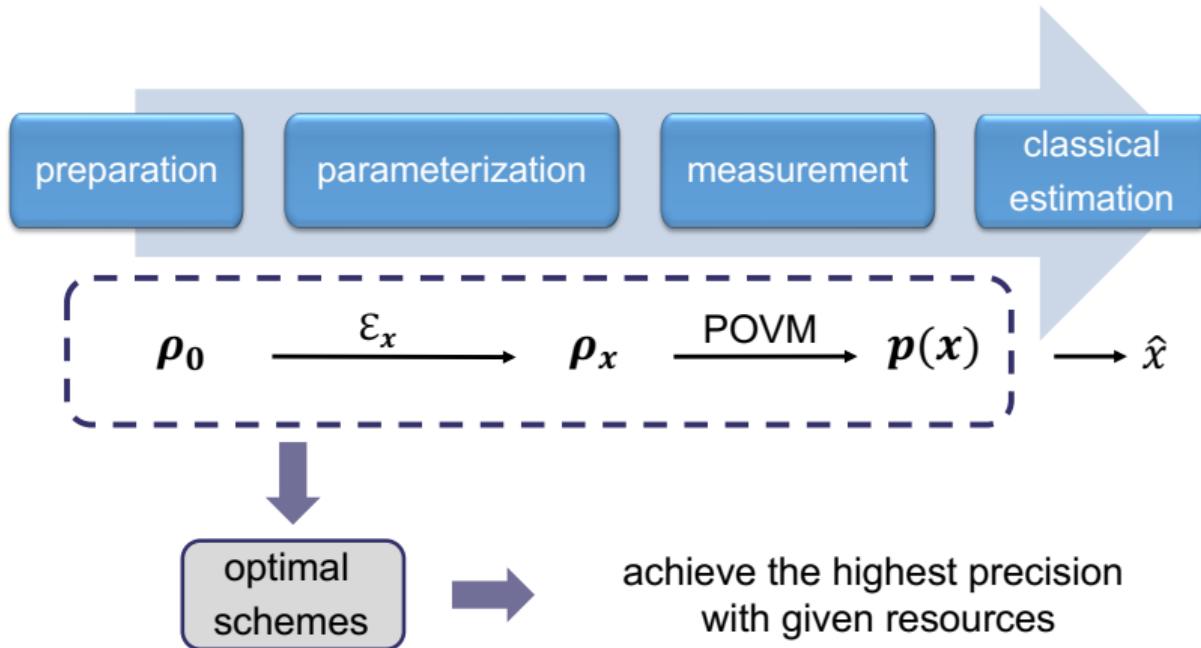
Trapped ultracold atoms inside the cavity^[3]

^[1] C. M. Caves, Phys. Rev. D **23**, 1693-1708 (1981); J. Liu et al., J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **53**, 023001 (2020).

^[2] G. Balasubramanian et al., Nature **455**, 648–651 (2008).

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Quantum Parameter Estimation



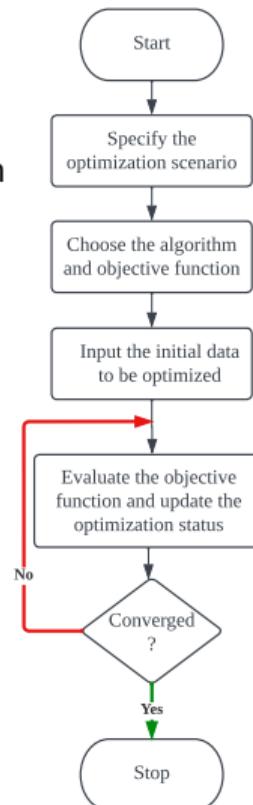
A typical scheme in quantum parameter estimation [4]

[4] J. Liu et al., J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 53, 023001 (2020).

Motivation and Why Julia

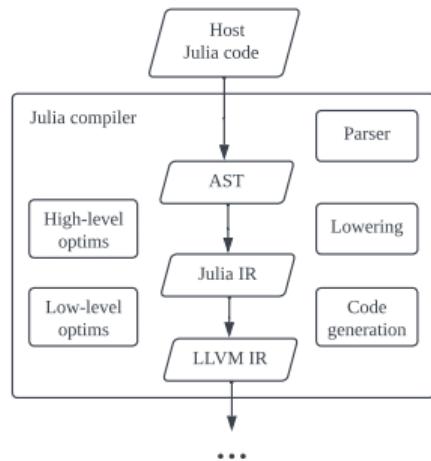
What we need:

- ▶ Numerical toolbox of the mathematical tools in quantum parameter estimation.
- ▶ Optimal quantum metrological scheme design



Why Julia?

- ▶ JIT compilation
- ▶ Type stability and multiple dispatch
- ▶ Composability

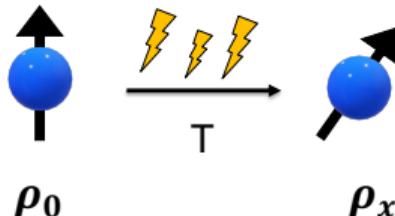


Parameterization

- ▶ Evolving the probe state under **dynamics governed by master equation** for a period of time
- ▶ Sending the probe state through **quantum channels**

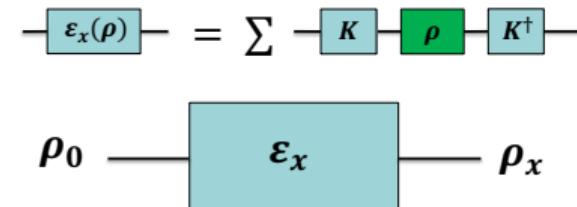
$$\partial_t \rho = \mathcal{L} \rho$$

\mathcal{L} : superoperator.



$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i K_i(\mathbf{x}) \rho_0 K_i^\dagger(\mathbf{x})$$

K_i : Kraus operator.



Master Equation

For an open system, the dynamics is governed by

$$\partial_t \rho = \mathcal{L} \rho = -i [H_x, \rho] + \sum_i \gamma_i \left(\Gamma_i \rho \Gamma_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \rho, \Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i \right\} \right)$$

- ▶ H_x : Hamiltonian encoded with parameter(s) x

$$H_x = H_0(x) + \sum_k u_k(t) H_k$$
- ▶ Γ_i and γ_i : the i th decay operator and decay rate
- ▶ *expm* : matrix exponential method solver
- ▶ *ode* : ODE solvers from DifferentialEquation.jl

```

# `tspan` : time interval of the evolution
# `rho0` : initial state
# `H0` : free Hamiltonian
# `dH` : derivatives of the Hamiltonian
#       with respect to the parameters
# `decay` : decay operators & decay rates
# `Hc` : control Hamiltonian
# `ctrl` : control coefficients

# solve the dynamics with matrix exponential
rho, drho = QuanEstimation.expmp(
    tspan, rho0, H0, dH, decay, Hc, ctrl
)

# solve the dynamics with ODE solver
rho, drho = QuanEstimation.ode(
    tspan, rho0, H0, dH, decay, Hc, ctrl
)

```

Example for Dynamics

```
using QuanEstimation

# initial state
rho0 = 0.5*ones(2, 2)
# free Hamiltonian
omega = 1.0
sz = [1. 0.0im; 0. -1.]
H0 = 0.5*omega*sz
# derivative of the free Hamiltonian on omega
dH = [0.5*sz]
# time length for the evolution
tspan = range(0., 10., length=2500)
# dynamics
rho, drho = QuanEstimation.expm(tspan, rho0, H0, dH)
```

- ▶ Hamiltonian:

$$H_0 = \frac{1}{2}\omega\sigma_z$$

ω : parameter to be estimated

- ▶ Probe state:

$$\rho_0 = |+\rangle\langle+|$$

- ▶ Dynamics: $\gamma = 0$,

$$\partial_t \rho = -i [H_0, \rho]$$

Kraus Operator

Kraus operators $\rho(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i K_i(\mathbf{x})\rho_0K_i^\dagger(\mathbf{x})$



```
# define the channel with Kraus operators
channel = QuanEstimation.Kraus(rho0, K, dK)
# solve the parameterization results
rho, drho = QuanEstimation.evolve(channel)
```



```
using QuanEstimation

# initial state
rho0 = 0.5*ones(2, 2)
# Kraus operators for the amplitude damping channel
gamma = 0.1
K1 = [1. 0.; 0. sqrt(1-gamma)]
K2 = [0. sqrt(gamma); 0. 0.]
K = [K1, K2]
# derivatives of Kraus operators on gamma
dK1 = [1. 0.; 0. -0.5/sqrt(1-gamma)]
dK2 = [0. 0.5/sqrt(gamma); 0. 0.]
dK = [[dK1], [dK2]]
# parameterization process
Kraus = QuanEstimation.Kraus(rho0, K, dK)
rho, drho = QuanEstimation.evolve(Kraus)
```

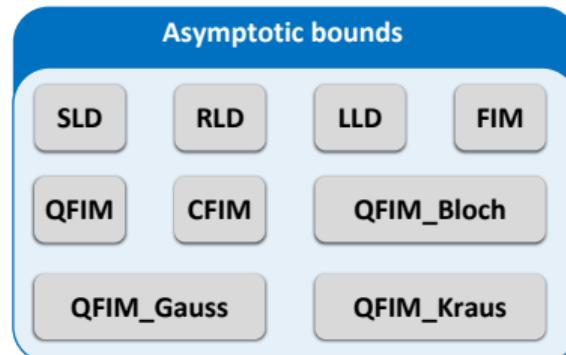
- ▶ Amplitude damping channel

$$K_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1-\gamma} \end{pmatrix}, \quad K_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{\gamma} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Probe state $\rho = |+\rangle\langle +|$

Quantum Metrological Tools

- ▶ Asymptotic Bounds
 - ▶ Quantum Cramér-Rao bounds
 - ▶ Holevo Cramér-Rao bound
 - ▶ Nagaoka-Hayashi bound
- ▶ Bayesian Bounds
 - ▶ Bayesian type of Cramér-Rao bounds
 - ▶ Ziv-Zakai bound
- ▶ ...



Quantum Cramér-Rao Bounds

- ▶ The most renown metrological tools in quantum parameter estimation

Quantum Cramér-Rao Bound

Let $\rho = \rho(\mathbf{x})$ be a parameterized density matrix and $\{\Pi_y\}$ a set of positive operator-valued measure (POVM), then the covariance matrix

$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) := \sum_y \text{Tr}(\rho \Pi_y)(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x})(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x})^T$ for the unknown parameters $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1, \dots)^T$ and the corresponding unbiased estimators $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (\hat{x}_0, \hat{x}_1, \dots)^T$ satisfies the following inequalities [5]

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{I}^{-1}(\{\Pi_y\}) \geq \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{F}^{-1}$$

where n is the repetition of the experiment, \mathcal{I} is the classical Fisher information matrix (CFIM) and \mathcal{F} is the quantum Fisher information matrix (QFIM).

[5] C. W. Helstrom, *Quantum Detection and Estimation Theory* (1976); A. S. Holevo, *Probabilistic and Statistical Aspects of Quantum Theory* (1982)

Quantum Cramér-Rao Bounds

- ▶ Classical Fisher information matrix (CFIM)

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} = \sum_y \frac{1}{p(y|\mathbf{x})} [\partial_a p(y|\mathbf{x})][\partial_b p(y|\mathbf{x})], \quad p(y|\mathbf{x}) = \text{Tr}(\rho \Pi_y)$$

- ▶ Symmetric logarithmic derivative (SLD) operator

$$\partial_a \rho = \frac{1}{2} (\rho L_a + L_a \rho)$$

- ▶ Quantum Fisher information matrix (QFIM)

$$\mathcal{F}_{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\rho \{L_a, L_b\})$$

Quantum Cramér-Rao Bounds

```
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# `rho` & `drho`: density matrix and  
#           its derivative.  
# `M`: measurements, a set of POVM.  
#       By default a symmetric  
#       informationally complete POVM  
#       (SIC-POVM).  
CFIM(rho, drho, M; eps=1e-8)  
  
# `rep` can be "original" or "eigen"  
SLD(rho, drho; rep="original", eps=1e-8)  
RLD(rho, drho; rep="original", eps=1e-8)  
LLD(rho, drho; rep="original", eps=1e-8)  
  
# `LDtype` can be :SLD or :RLD or :LLD  
QFIM(rho, drho; LDtype=:SLD,  
      exportLD=false, eps=1e-8)  
  
QFIM_Kraus(rho, K, dK;  
            LDtype=:SLD, exportLD=false, eps=1e-8)
```

Notes:

► SIC-POVM:

A set of POVM $\{\frac{1}{d} |\phi_j\rangle \langle \phi_j|\}_{j=1}^{d^2}$ satisfying

$$|\langle \phi_j | \phi_k \rangle|^2 = \frac{d\delta_{jk} + 1}{d + 1}$$

► RLD and LLD:

$$\partial_a \rho = \rho \mathcal{R}_a, \quad \partial_a \rho = \mathcal{R}_a^\dagger \rho$$

Holevo Cramér-Rao Bound and Nagaoka-Hayashi Bound

► Holevo Cramér-Rao Bound (HCRB)

► Nagaoka-Hayashi Bound (NHB)

$$\min_{\mathbf{X}, V} \text{Tr}(WV),$$

subject to $\begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} V & \Lambda^T R^\dagger \\ R\Lambda & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} \geq 0 \\ \sum_i [\Lambda]_{ai} \text{Tr}(\lambda_i \partial_b \rho) = \delta_{ab} \end{cases}$

$$X_i = \sum_j [\Lambda]_{ij} \lambda_j, Z = \Lambda^T R^\dagger R \Lambda.$$



```
HCRB(rho, drho, W; eps=1e-8)
```

$$\min_{\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{Q}} \text{Tr}((W \otimes \rho)\mathcal{Q}),$$

subject to $\begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{Q} & \mathbf{X}^T \\ \mathbf{X} & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} \geq 0 \\ \text{Tr}(\rho X_a) = 0, \forall a \\ \text{Tr}(X_a \partial_b \rho) = \delta_{ab}, \forall a, b \end{cases}$



```
NHB(rho, drho, W; eps=1e-8)
```

QFIM in Specific Scenario

- ▶ QFIM in the Bloch representation

$$\mathcal{F}_{ab} = (\partial_b \mathbf{r})^T \left(\frac{d}{2(d-1)} G - \mathbf{r} \mathbf{r}^T \right)^{-1} \partial_a \mathbf{r}$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{d} \left(\mathbb{1} + \sqrt{\frac{d(d-1)}{2}} \mathbf{r} \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda} \right), G_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\rho \{ \lambda_i, \lambda_j \})$$

```
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# `r` and `dr`:
#   the Bloch vector and its derivatives
QFIM_Bloch(r, dr; eps=1e-8)
```

- ▶ QFIM for the Gaussian states

$$\mathcal{F}_{ab} = \text{Tr} (G_a \partial_b D) + \left(\partial_a \langle \mathbf{R} \rangle^T \right) D^{-1} \partial_b \langle \mathbf{R} \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{R} = (q_1, p_1, q_2, p_2, \dots), D_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \{[\mathbf{R}]_i, [\mathbf{R}]_j\} \rangle$$

$$q_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_i + a_i^\dagger), p_i = \frac{1}{i\sqrt{2}}(a_i - a_i^\dagger), \langle \mathbf{R} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \mathbf{R})$$

```
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# `R`, `dR`:
#   frist-order moment and its derivatives
# `D`, `dD`:
#   second-order moment and its derivatives
QFIM_Gauss(R, dR, D, dD)
```

Examples for Quantum Cramér-Rao Bounds

```

using QuanEstimation

# initial state
rho0 = 0.5*ones(2, 2)
# free Hamiltonian
omega = 1.0
sx = [0. 1.; 1. 0.0im]
sy = [0. -im; im 0.]
sz = [1. 0.0im; 0. -1.]
H0 = 0.5*omega*sz
# derivative of the free Hamiltonian on omega
dH = [0.5*sz]
# dissipation
sp = [0. 1.; 0. 0.0im]
sm = [0. 0.; 1. 0.0im]
decay = [[sp, 0.0], [sm, 0.1]]
# time length for the evolution
tspan = range(0., 50., length=2000)
# dynamics
rho, drho = QuanEstimation.expm(tspan, rho0, H0, dH,
decay)
# calculation of the CFIM and QFI
I, F = Float64[], Float64[]
for ti in 2:length(tspan)
    # CFIM
    append!(I, QuanEstimation.CFIM(rho[ti], drho[ti]))
    # QFI
    append!(F, QuanEstimation.QFIM(rho[ti], drho[ti]))
end

```

► Example for QFIM and CFIM

Dynamics: $H_0 = \frac{1}{2}\omega\sigma_3$,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \rho = -i [H_0, \rho] + \gamma_+ \left(\sigma_+ \rho \sigma_- - \frac{1}{2} \{ \rho, \sigma_- \sigma_+ \} \right) \\ + \gamma_- \left(\sigma_- \rho \sigma_+ - \frac{1}{2} \{ \rho, \sigma_+ \sigma_- \} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Probe state: $\rho_0 = |+\rangle \langle +|$

Bayesian Cramér-Rao Bounds

- ▶ Three types of BCRB and BQCRB

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \int p(\mathbf{x}) (B\mathcal{I}^{-1}B + \mathbf{b}\mathbf{b}^T) d\mathbf{x}, \quad \text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \int p(\mathbf{x}) (B\mathcal{F}^{-1}B + \mathbf{b}\mathbf{b}^T) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \mathcal{B}\mathcal{I}_{\text{Bayes}}^{-1}\mathcal{B} + \int p(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{b}\mathbf{b}^T d\mathbf{x}, \quad \text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \mathcal{B}\mathcal{F}_{\text{Bayes}}^{-1}\mathcal{B} + \int p(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{b}\mathbf{b}^T d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \int p(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{G} (\mathcal{I}_p + \mathcal{I})^{-1} \mathcal{G}^T d\mathbf{x}, \quad \text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \int p(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{G} (\mathcal{I}_p + \mathcal{F})^{-1} \mathcal{G}^T d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{Bayes}} = \int p(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{I} d\mathbf{x}, \quad \mathcal{F}_{\text{Bayes}} = \int p(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{F} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$[\mathcal{I}_p]_{ab} = [\partial_a \ln p(\mathbf{x})][\partial_b \ln p(\mathbf{x})]$$

$$[\mathcal{G}]_{ab} = [\partial_b \ln p(\mathbf{x})][\mathbf{b}_a] + B_{aa}\delta_{ab}$$

```
# `btype` can be: 1, 2, 3.
# Bayesian Cramér-Rao Bound
BCRB(x, p, dp, rho, drho;
      M=M, b=b, db=db, btype=1, eps=1e-8)
# Bayesian Quantum Cramér-Rao Bound
BQCRB(x, p, dp, rho, drho;
       b=b, db=db, btype=1, LDtype=:SLD, eps=1e-8)
```

Bayesian Bounds

- ▶ Quantum Ziv-Zakai bound (QZZB)

$$\text{var}(\hat{x}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d\tau \tau \mathcal{V} \int_{-\infty}^\infty dx \min\{p(x), p(x + \tau)\} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \|\rho(x) - \rho(x + \tau)\|\right)$$

- ▶ Van Trees bound (VTB) and Tsang-Wiseman-Caves bound (QVTB)

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq (\mathcal{I}_{\text{prior}} + \mathcal{I}_{\text{Bayes}})^{-1}$$

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \{\Pi_y\}) \geq (\mathcal{I}_{\text{prior}} + \mathcal{F}_{\text{Bayes}})^{-1}$$

- ▶ Bayesian cost bound (BCB)

$$\bar{C} \geq \int p(\mathbf{x})(\mathbf{x}^T W \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} - \sum_{ab} W_{ab} \text{Tr}(\bar{\rho} \bar{L}_a \bar{L}_b)$$



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BCB(x, p, rho; W=W, eps=1e-8)

OBB(x, p, dp, rho, drho, d2rho, LDtype=:SLD, eps=1e-8)

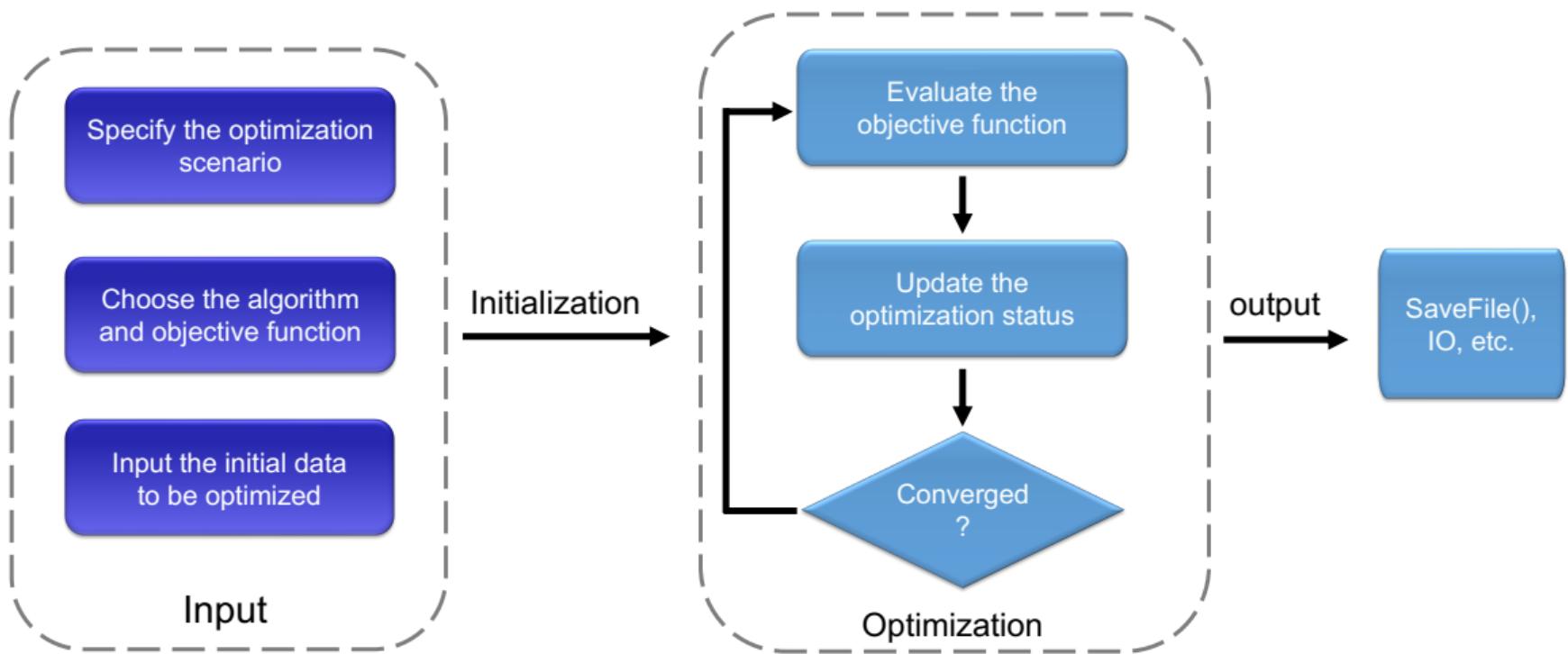
VTB(x, p, dp, rho, drho; M=M, eps=1e-8)

QVTB(x, p, dp, rho, drho; LDtype=:SLD, eps=1e-8)

QZZB(x, p, rho; eps=1e-8)

```

Optimal Scheme Design



Optimization scenario and Algorithms

OptScenario

- ▶ Control Optimization

$$H = H_0 + \sum_{k=1}^K u_k(t) H_k$$

- ▶ State Optimization

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_i c_i |i\rangle$$

- ▶ Measurement Optimization

mtype = :Projection, :LC, :Rotation

- ▶ Comprehensive Optimization

SM, SC, CM, SCM

Supported Algorithms:

Gradient ascent pulse engineering (GRAPE), auto-GRAPE,
Particle swarm optimization (PSO), Differential evolution (DE),
Deep Deterministic Policy Gradients (DDPG)

Gradient descent with automatic differentiation (AD),
Nelder-Mead (NM), Reverse iterative (RI), PSO, DE, DDPG

PSO, DE, AD

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Examples for Control Optimization

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# initial guessed control coefficients
cnum = length(tspan)-1
ctrl = [zeros(cnum) for _ in 1:length(Hc)]
ctrl_bound = [-2., 2.]
# set the optimization type
opt = QuanEstimation.ControlOpt(ctrl=ctrl,
ctrl_bound=ctrl_bound, seed=1234)
# control algorithm: auto-GRAPE
alg = QuanEstimation.autoGRAPE(Adam=true,
max_episode=300, epsilon=0.01, beta1=0.90,
beta2=0.99)
# objective function: QFI
obj = QuanEstimation.QFIM_obj()
# input the dynamics data
dynamics = QuanEstimation.Lindblad(opt, tspan,
rho0, H0, dH, Hc, decay, dyn_method=:Expm)
# run the control optimization problem
QuanEstimation.run(opt, alg, obj, dynamics;
savefile=false)

```

Dynamics: $H_0 = \frac{1}{2}\omega\sigma_3$,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \rho = & -i [H_0, \rho] + \gamma_+ \left(\sigma_+ \rho \sigma_- - \frac{1}{2} \{ \rho, \sigma_- \sigma_+ \} \right) \\ & + \gamma_- \left(\sigma_- \rho \sigma_+ - \frac{1}{2} \{ \rho, \sigma_+ \sigma_- \} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Probe state:

$$\rho_0 = |+\rangle \langle +|$$

Initial control coefficients:

$$u_{k,0}(t) \equiv 0$$

Docs:

<https://quanestimation.github.io/QuanEstimation/>

GitHub repositories:

- ▶ QuanEstimation/QuanEstimation:
<https://github.com/QuanEstimation/QuanEstimation>
- ▶ QuanEstimation/QuanEstimation.jl :
<https://github.com/QuanEstimation/QuanEstimation.jl>

Related works:

- ▶ M. Zhang et al., Phys. Rev. Research **4**, 043057 (2022).
- ▶ H.-M. Yu et al., in preparation.

Thank You!