

Quantum Computing

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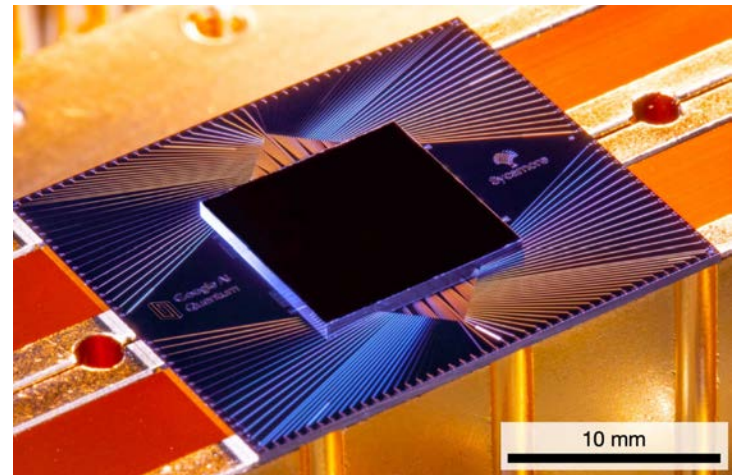
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Goal: Quantum dynamics simulation on quantum circuits



Quantum Computing (QC) for Science

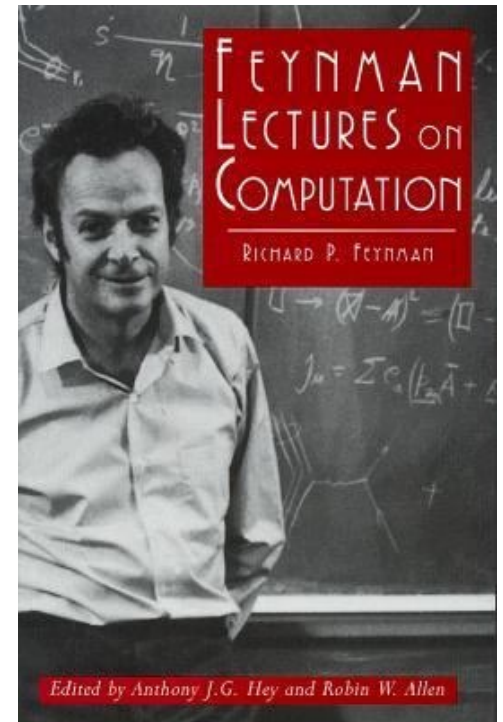
- U.S. Congress (Dec. 21, '18) signed National Quantum Initiative Act (NQIA) to ensure leadership in quantum computing & its applications
- Quantum supremacy demonstrated by Google [F. Arute, *Nature* **574**, 505 ('19)]
- Quantum computing for science:
Universal simulator of quantum many-body systems [R. P. Feynman, *Int. J. Theo. Phys.* **21**, 467 ('82); S. Lloyd, *Science* **273**, 1073 ('96)]
- Success in simulating *static* properties of quantum systems (*i.e.*, ground-state energy of small molecules) [A. Aspuru-Guzik et al., *Science* **309**, 1704 ('05)]
- Challenge: Simulate quantum many-body *dynamics* on current-to-near-future noisy intermediate-scale quantum (NISQ) computers [J. Preskill, *Quantum* **2**, 79 ('18)]



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Quantum Dynamics Simulations

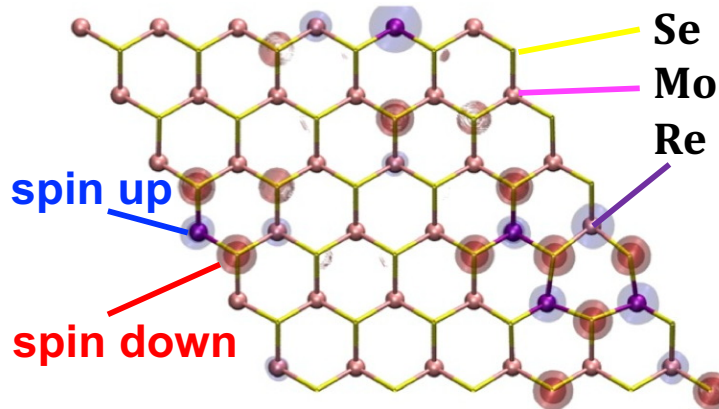
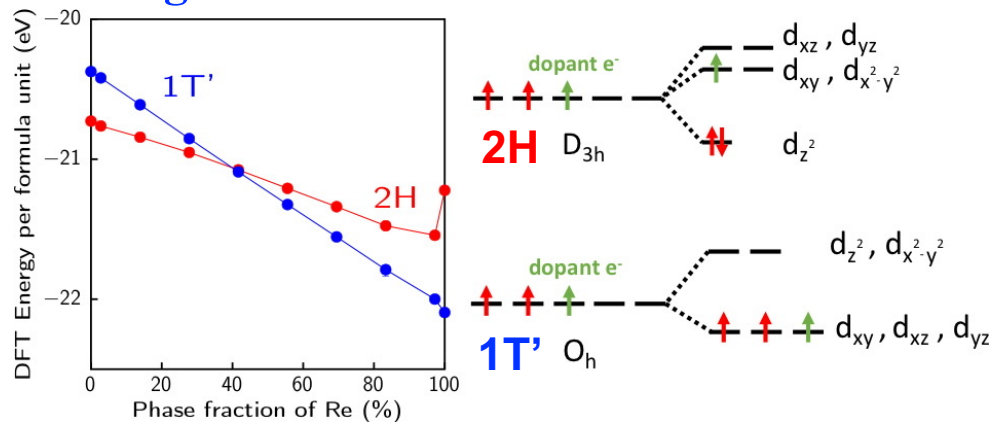
- An exciting scientific application of quantum computers is as a universal simulator of quantum many-body dynamics, as envisioned by Richard Feynman [[Int. J. Theor. Phys. 21, 467 \('82\)](#)]
- Seth Lloyd provided concrete algorithms and analysis [[Science 273, 1073 \('96\)](#)]
- Second edition of *Feynman Lectures on Computation* will add a section on “Simulating quantum dynamics” by John Preskill [[arXiv:2106.10522 \('21\)](#)]
- Simulated nontrivial quantum dynamics on publicly available IBM’s Q16 Melbourne & Rigetti’s Aspen NISQ computers, *i.e.*, ultrafast control of emergent magnetism by THz radiation in 2D material [[L. Bassman et al., Phys. Rev. B 101, 184305 \('20\)](#)]



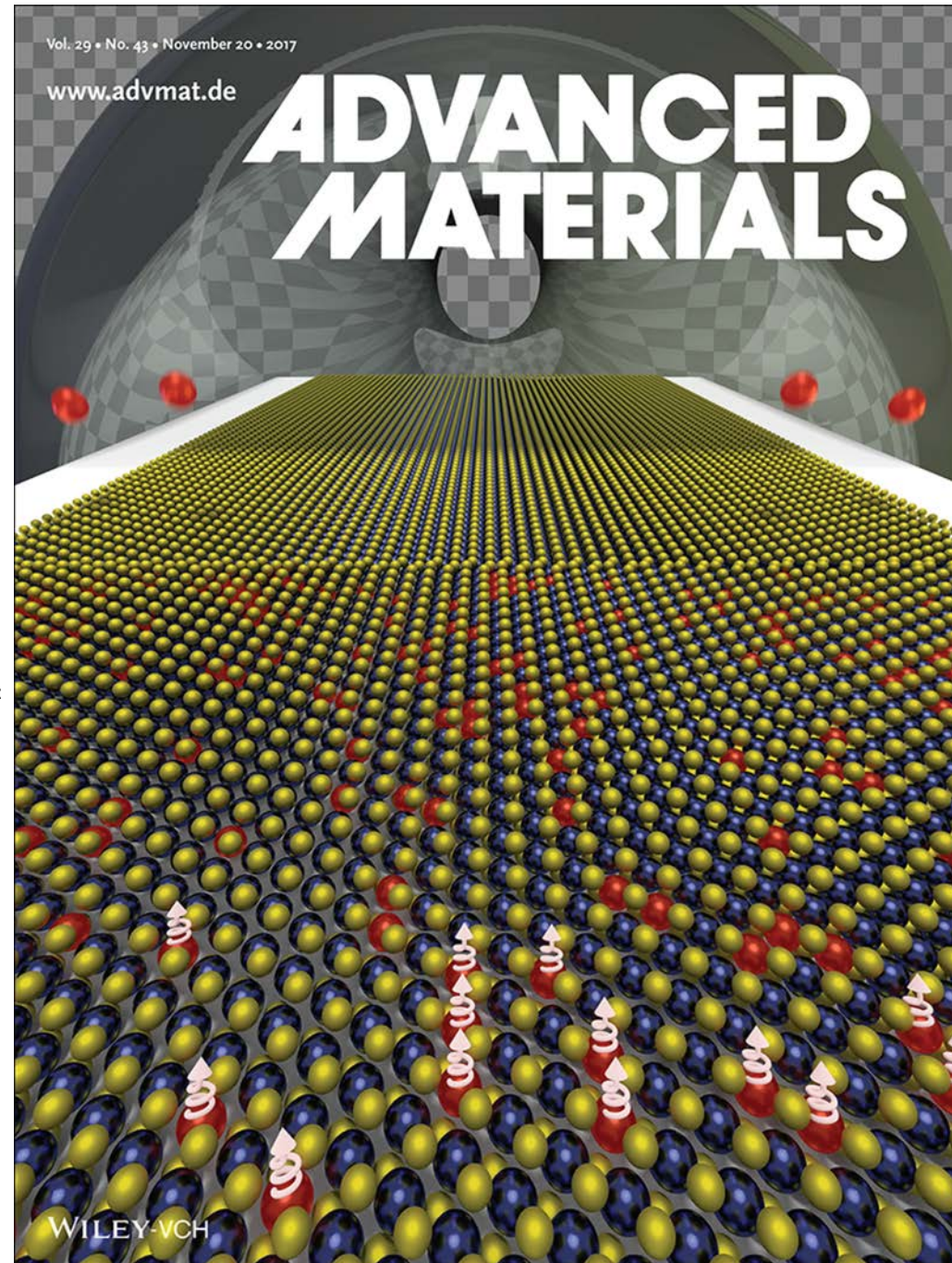
Quantum computing utilizes quantum properties such as superposition & entanglement for computation

Emergent Magnetism: Structural Transition *via* Doping

- Experiment at Rice showed 2H-to-1T' phase transformation by alloying MoSe₂ with Re
- Simulations at USC elucidated its electronic origin
- Simulation & experiment showed novel magnetism centered at Re atoms



V. Kochat *et al.*, *Adv. Mater.* **29**, 1703754 ('17)



Transverse Field Ising Model

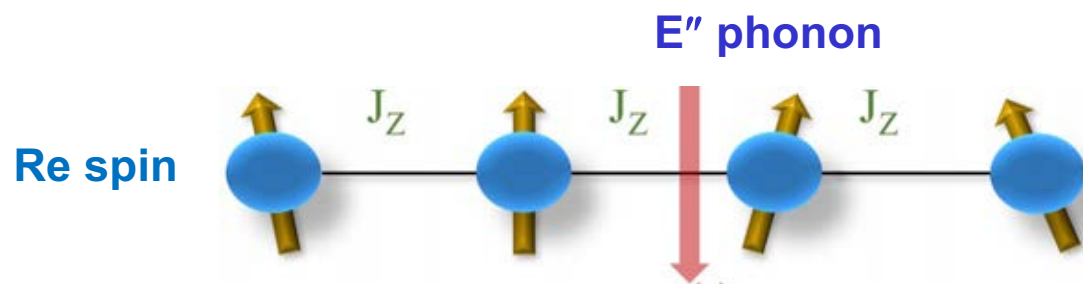
- Electromagnetic-field control of quantum states in a chain of rhenium-magnets in MoSe₂ monolayer to realize desired material properties on demand, thereby pushing the envelope of “quantum materials science”

$$H(t) = -J_z \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \sigma_z^j \sigma_z^{j+1} - \epsilon_{ph} \sin(\omega_{ph} t) \sum_{j=1}^N \sigma_x^j$$

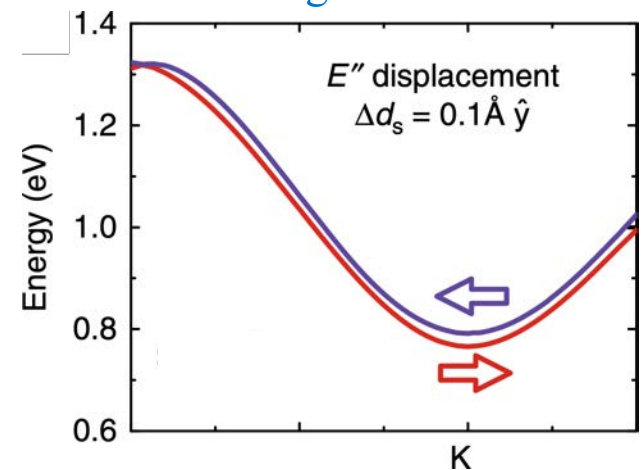
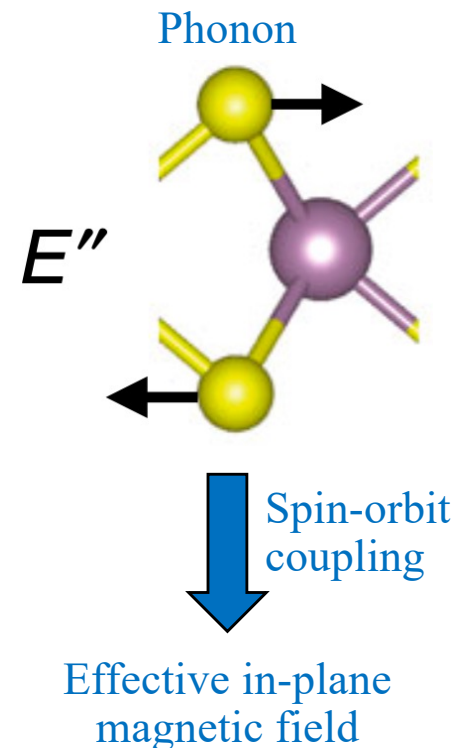
$$= H_z + H_x(t)$$

ϵ_{ph} (Phonon-induced energy split) ω_{ph} (Phonon frequency)

$$\sigma_z^j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \sigma_x^j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad // \text{Act on } j\text{-th qubit}$$



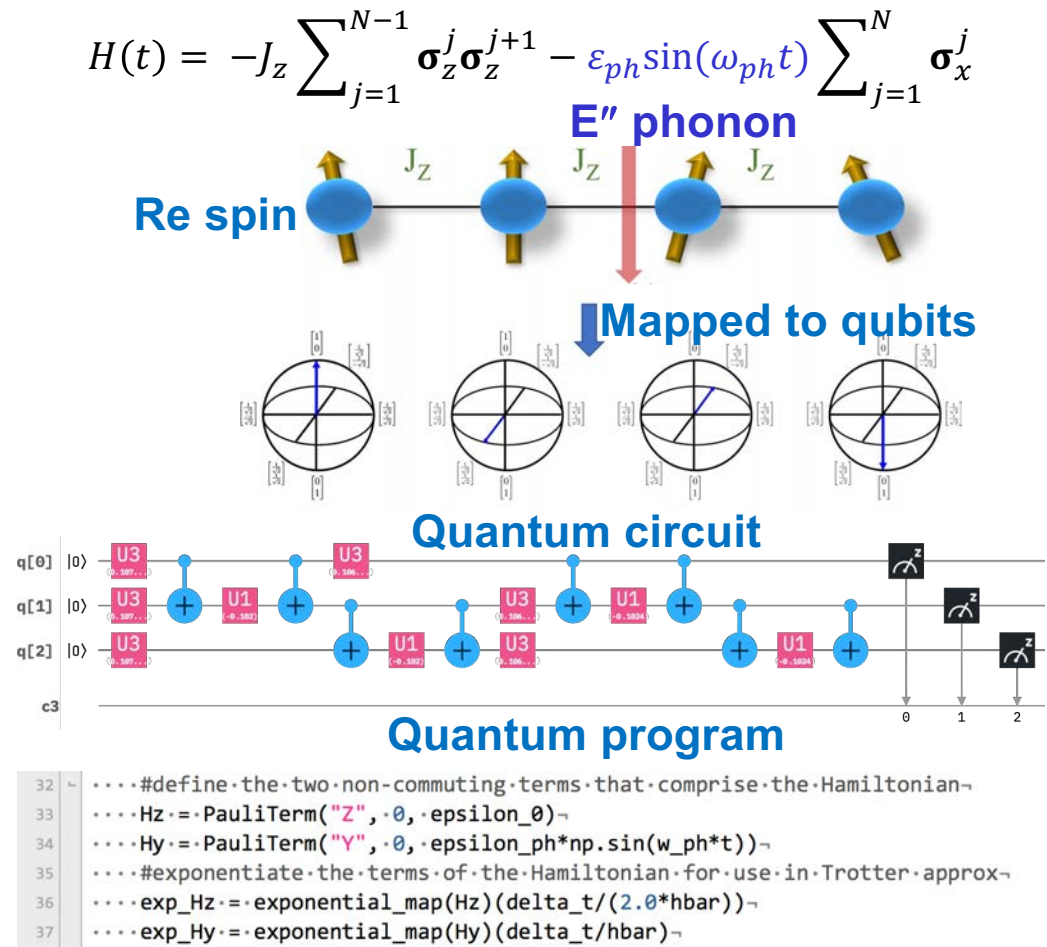
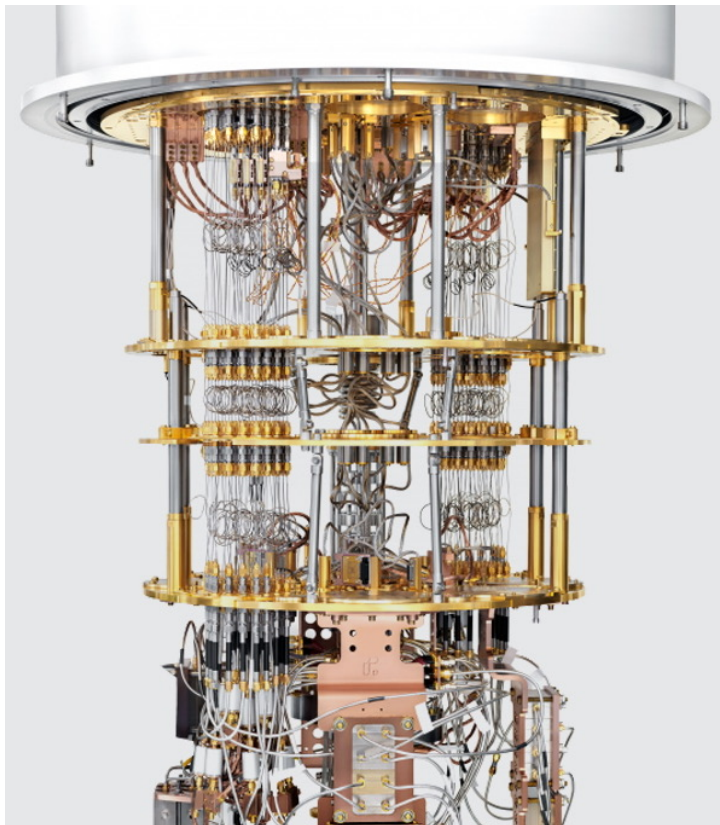
D. Shin et al., Nat. Commun. 9, 638 ('18)



Quantum Computing of Magnetism

- Simulated quantum many-body dynamics on IBM's Q16 Melbourne & Rigetti's Aspen quantum processors

L. Bassman et al., Phys. Rev. **101**, 184305 ('20)



Will derive & implement the circuit in the hands-on session

Quantum Dynamics on NISQ Computers

- Time-evolution operator for wave function $|\Psi(t)\rangle$ for small time interval Δt (atomic unit, $\hbar = 1$)

$$|\Psi(\Delta t)\rangle = U(\Delta t)|\Psi(t = 0)\rangle$$

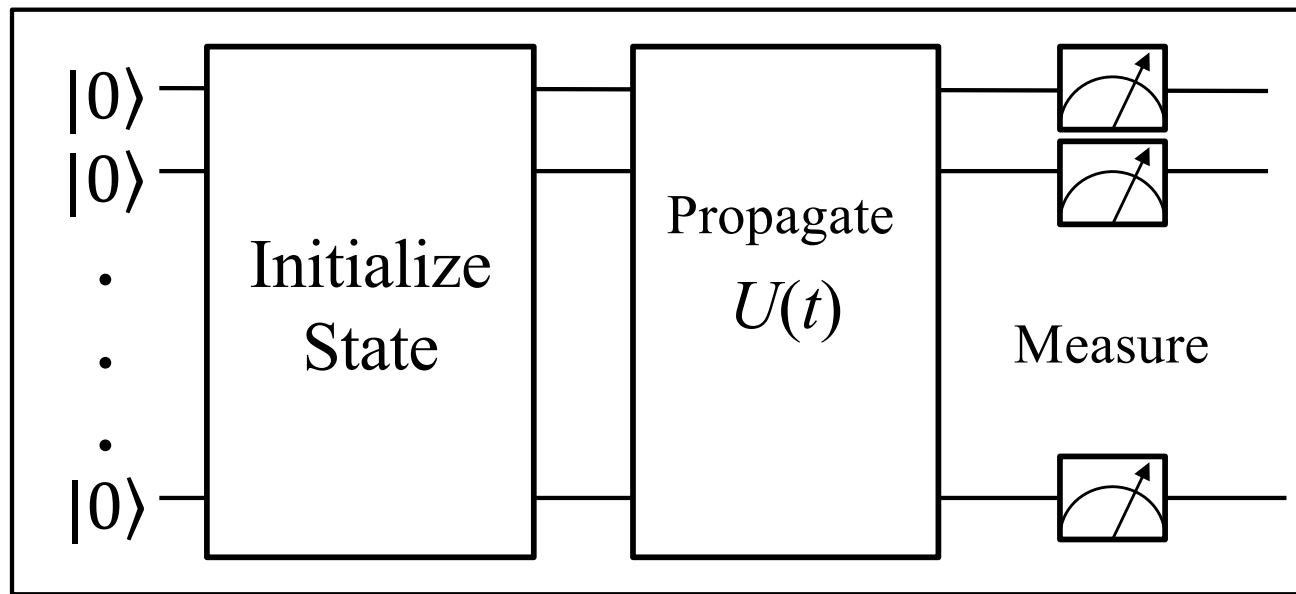
$$U(\Delta t) = \exp(-iH\Delta t)$$

- Time discretization with time-step Δt and Trotter expansion

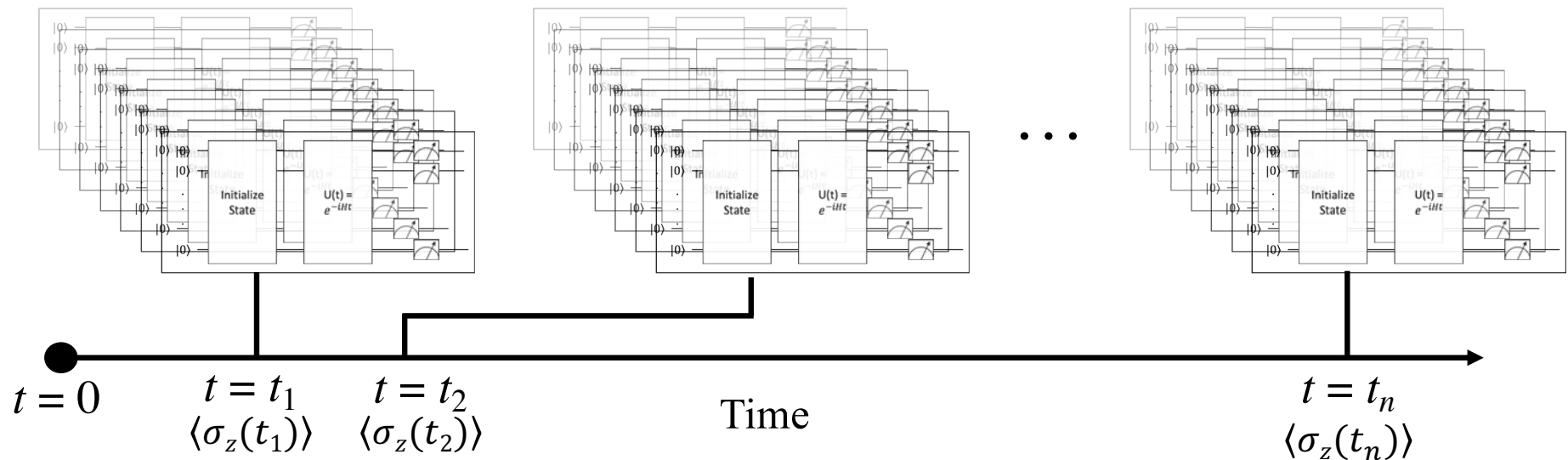
$$U(n\Delta t) \cong \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \exp(-iH_z\Delta t)\exp(-iH_x(k + 1/2)\Delta t)$$

- One simulation run provides measurement for only one time instance ($t = n\Delta t$) — if you can see intermediate time steps, it's not quantum computing

Quantum Computing Runs

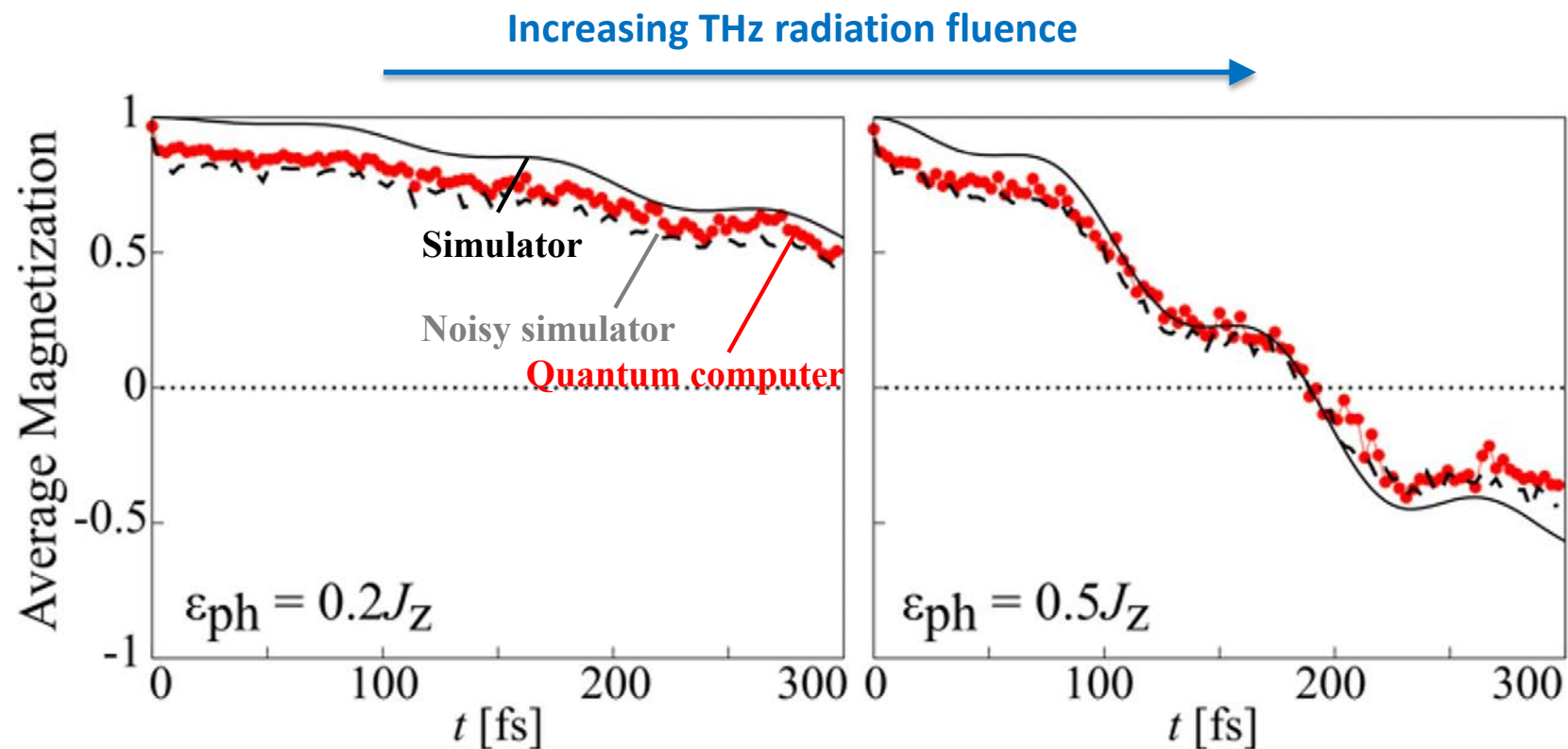


For each time instance, many runs to obtain statistics



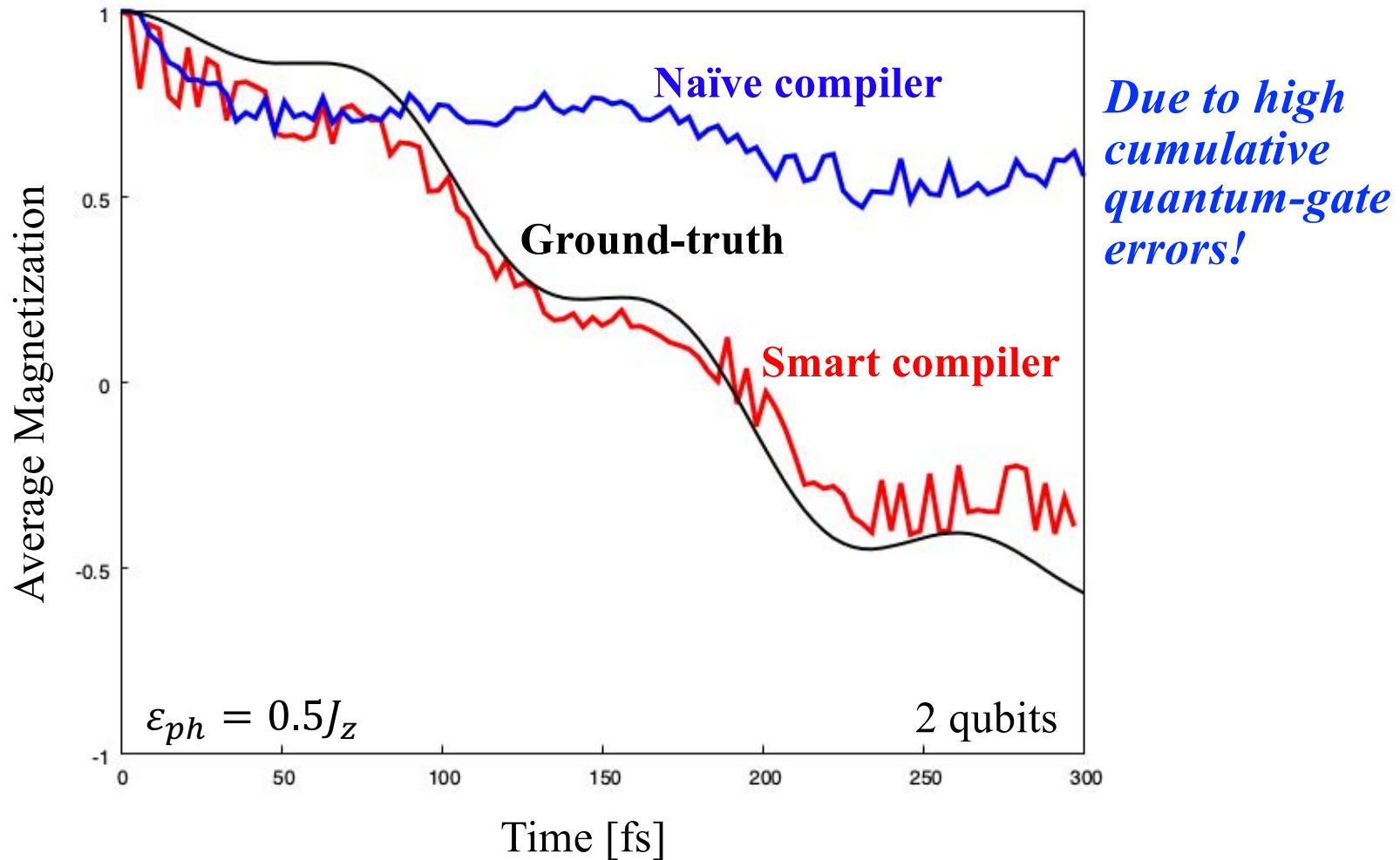
Quantum Computing Results

- Quantum-dynamics simulations on a NISQ computers show dynamic suppression of magnetization by THz radiation



Circuit Size vs. Simulation Fidelity

- Reduced circuit size improves the fidelity of simulation



Naïve compiler: circuit size \propto time

Smart compile: Constant circuit size w.r.t. time

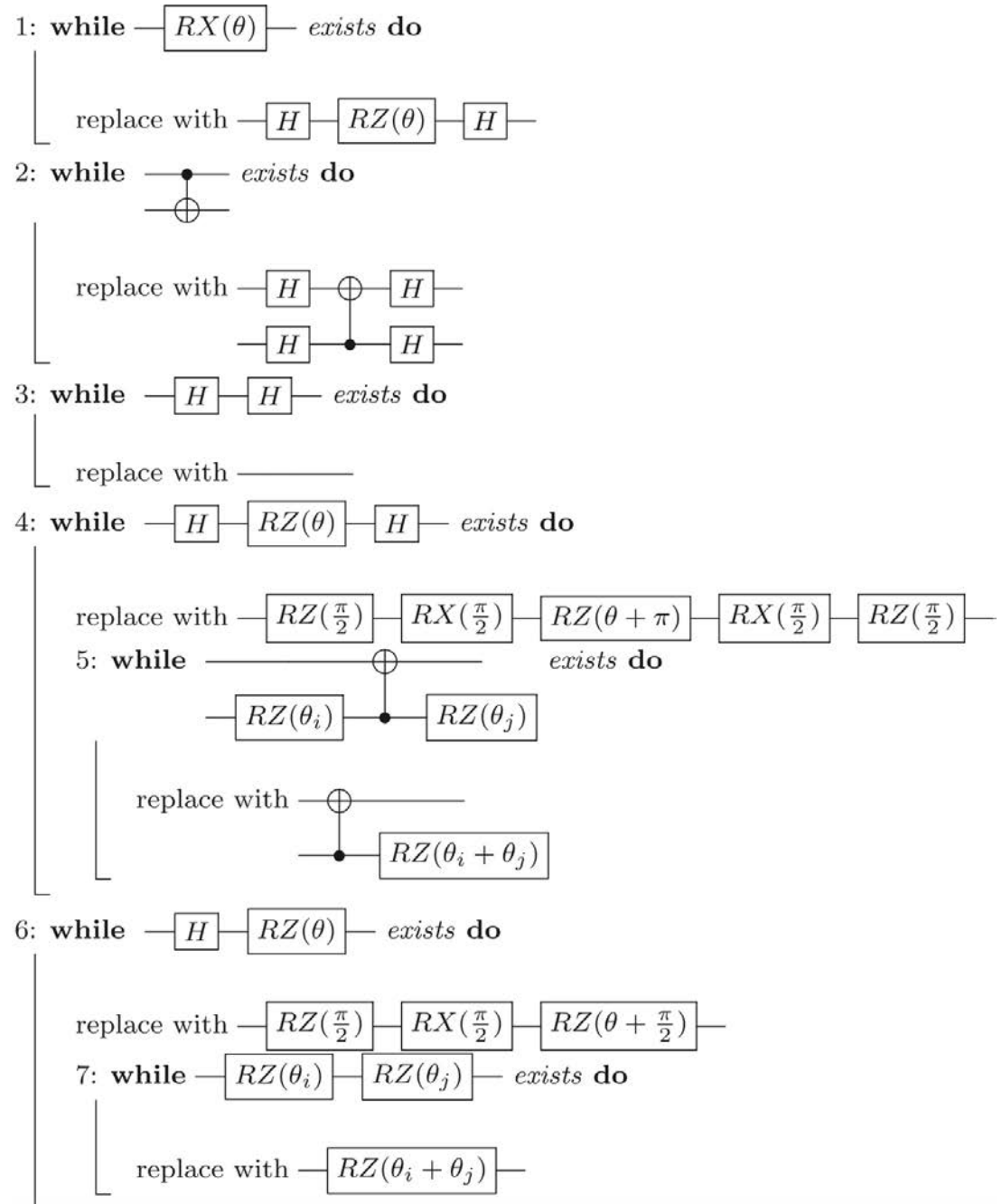
Quantum Compiler: Math

- **Problem:** High gate errors make long-time simulations impractical
- **Solution:** Domain-specific compiler = use algebraic identities to derive an equivalent circuit with reduced circuit size

No.	Common gate set in TFIM circuits	Equivalent
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
11		

Algorithm for IBM Native Gates

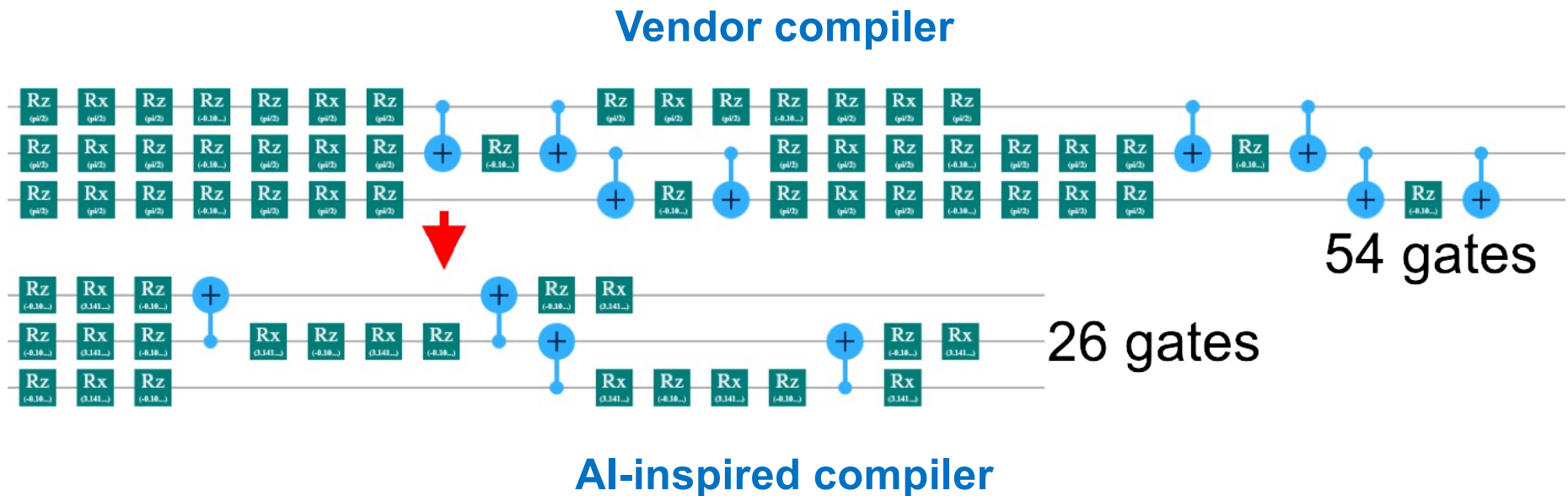
- Heuristic algorithm similar to unit propagation in artificial intelligence (AI)
- The heuristic order & types of identities applied are specific to the particular quantum dynamics we simulated



L. Bassman et al.,
Quantum Sci. Tech. 6, 014007 ('21)

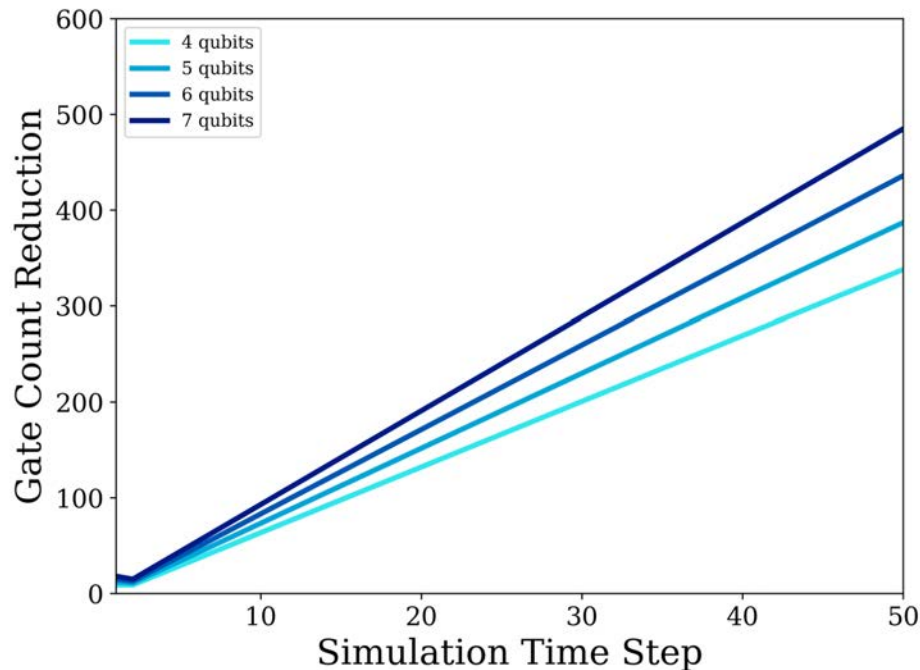
Domain-Specific Quantum Compiler

- Take advantage of specific problem structure
- AI-inspired quantum compiler reduced the circuit size by 30% to mitigate environmental noise

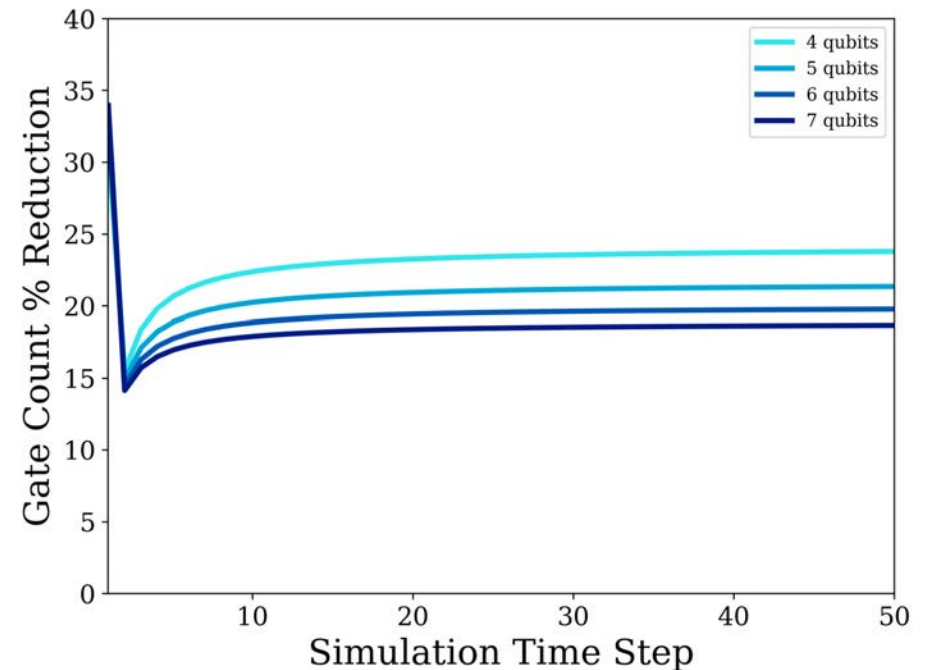


Performance of Domain-Specific Compiler

Absolute gate count difference
(*IBM Compiler* – *DS Compiler*)

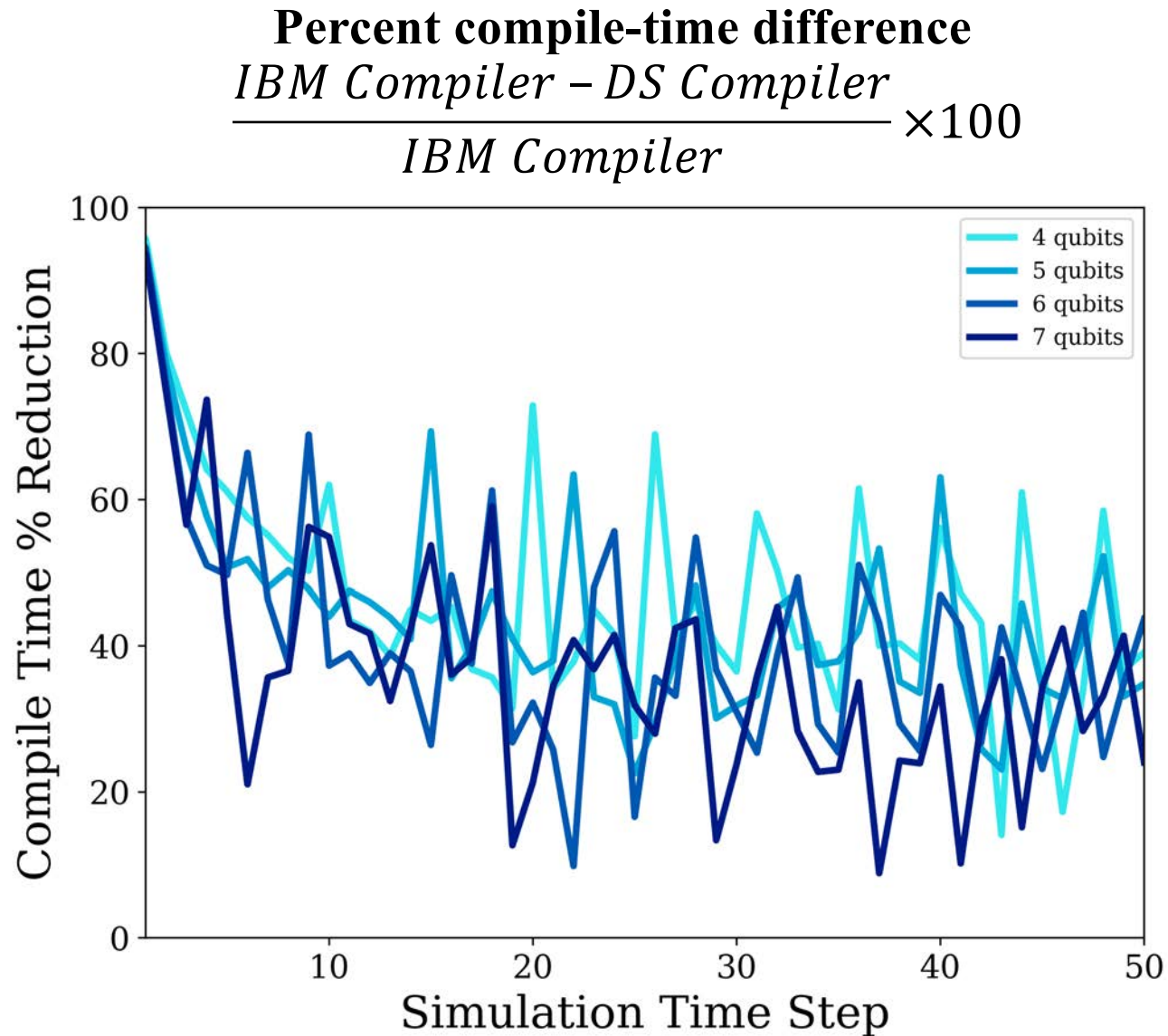


Percent gate count difference
$$\frac{\text{IBM Compiler} - \text{DS Compiler}}{\text{IBM Compiler}} \times 100$$



Domain-specific compiler reduces gate count compared to IBM compiler

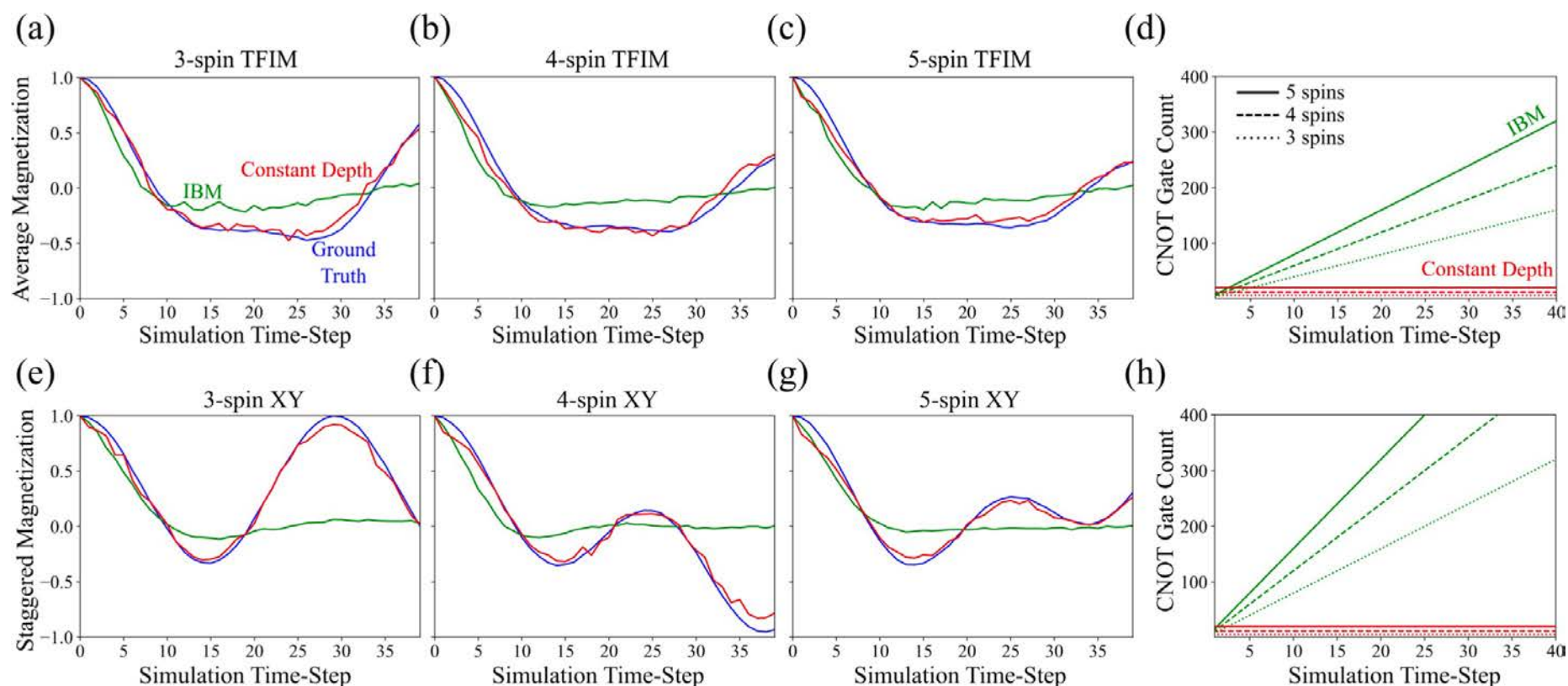
Speed of Domain-Specific Compiler



... and does it faster

Extension: Constant Circuit-Depth Algorithm

- Mathematical identities allow constant circuit depth independent of the number of time steps n for arbitrary number of spins N in a linear spin chain



[L. Bassman et al., arXiv: 2103.07429v4 \('21\)](#)

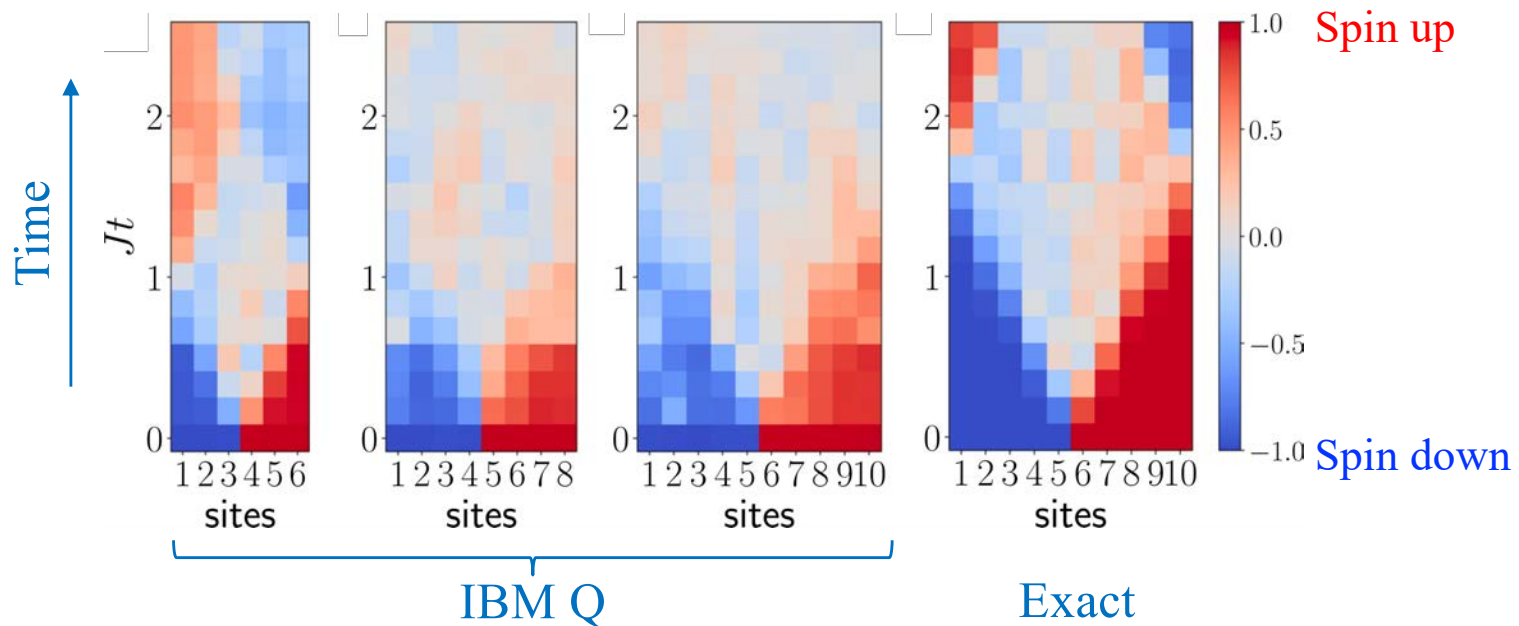
Richer Physics: Heisenberg Model

$$H = - \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{N-1} (J_x \sigma_x^j \sigma_x^{j+1} + J_y \sigma_y^j \sigma_y^{j+1} + J_z \sigma_z^j \sigma_z^{j+1})}_{\text{Exchange coupling}} - \underbrace{h \sum_{j=1}^N \sigma_z^j}_{\text{Magnetic field}}$$

Pauli spin-1/2 matrices

$$\sigma_x^j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \sigma_y^j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \sigma_z^j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad // \text{Act on } j\text{-th qubit}$$

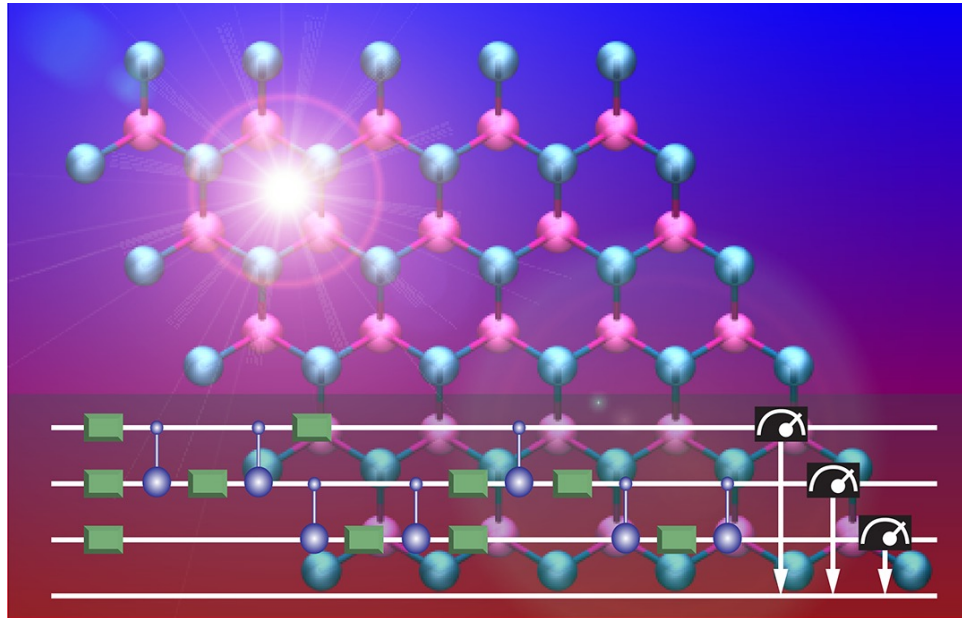
Domain-wall dynamics (6-, 8- & 10-site spin chains)



[A. Smith et al., npJ Quantum Info. 5, 106 \('19\)](#)

Open-Source Quantum Software

- Full-stack, cross-platform software for quantum dynamics simulations on NISQ computers was made available open-source



MISTIQS

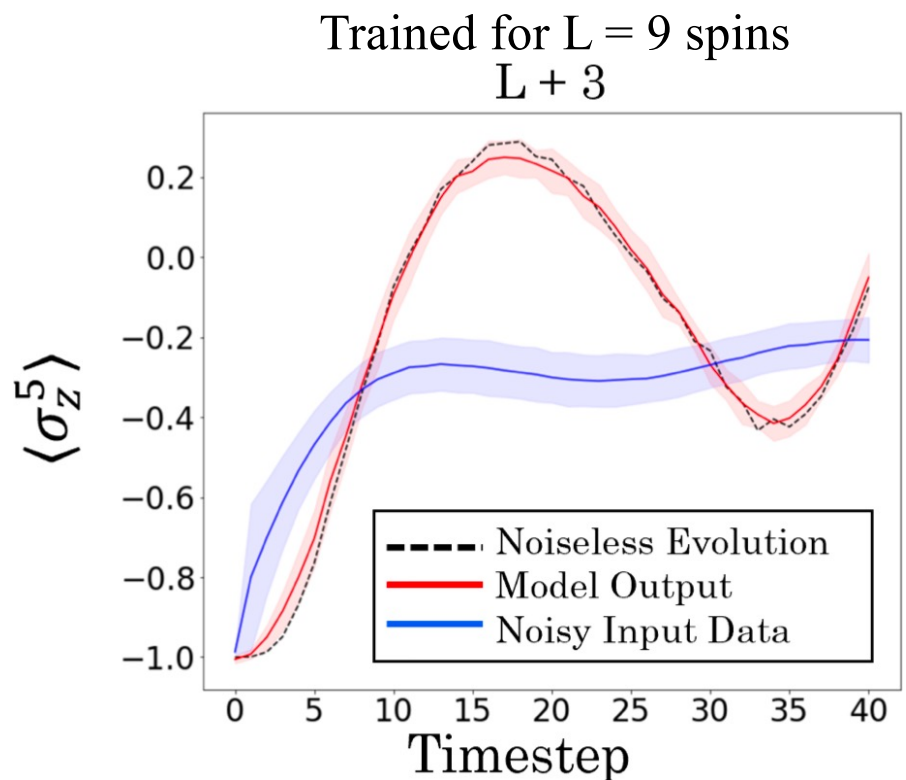
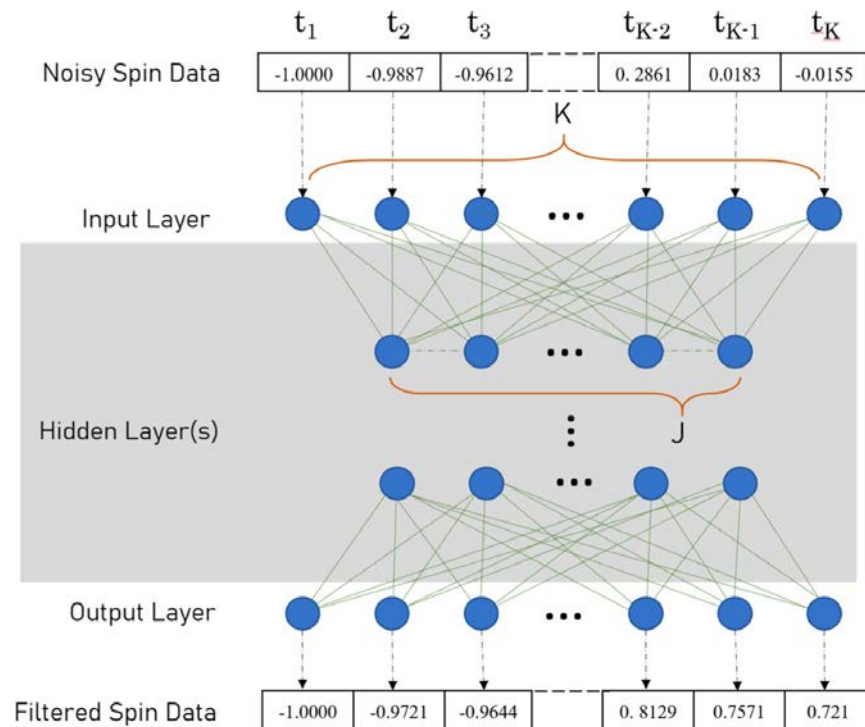
Multiplatform
Software for
Time-dependent
Quantum
Simulation

Paper: [C. Powers et al., SoftwareX 14, 100696 \('21\)](#)

Software: <https://github.com/USCCACS/MISTIQS>

Extension: Machine Learning

- Alternative noise mitigation using machine learning: Autoencoder, trained with quantum simulations of small systems, is capable of filtering noise from dynamic simulations of larger systems run on quantum computers



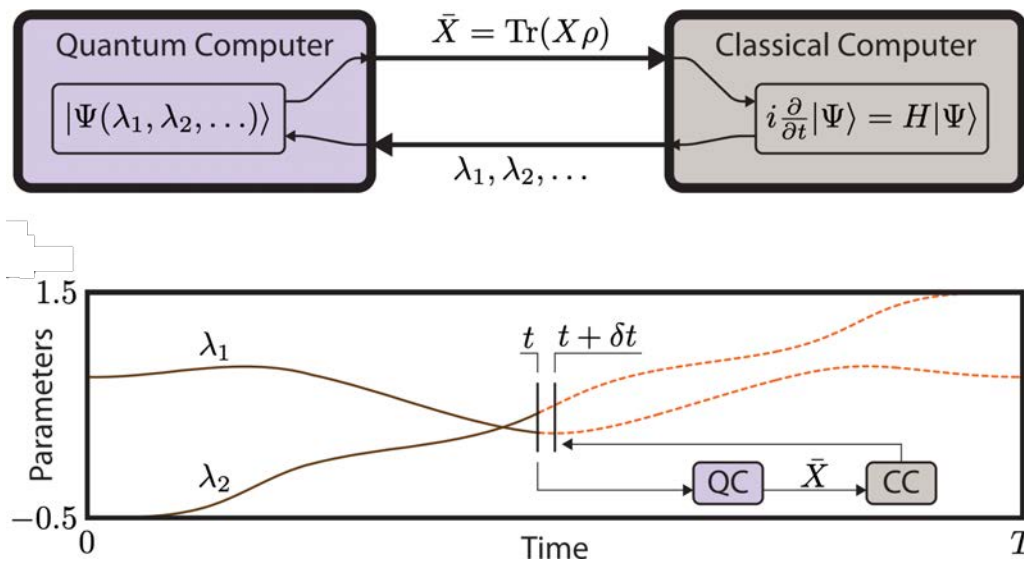
Variational Quantum Simulator

Hybrid quantum/classical approach: Boost the power of a classical supercomputer using a quantum co-processor

- A variational approach similar to variational quantum eigensolver (VQE) can be applied to quantum dynamics

$$\delta \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \left\langle \psi(t) \left| \left(i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - H \right) \right| \psi(t) \right\rangle = 0$$

- Short-time propagation of a many-body wave function on a quantum computer is mapped back to a parameterized variational wave function, $|\psi(t)\rangle = |\psi(\lambda_1(t), \dots, \lambda_P(t))\rangle$, which is tractable on a classical computer



[Y. Li & S. Benjamin, *Phys. Rev. X* 7, 021050 \('17\)](#)

Where to Go from Here

- New MS degree in Quantum Information Science ([MSQIS](#)) started in 2021
- **Required foundational courses**
 1. EE 520: Introduction to Quantum Information Processing
 2. EE 514: Quantum Error Correction
 3. Phys 513: Applications of Quantum Computing
- **Core — at least two courses from**
 1. EE 589: Quantum Information Theory
 2. Phys 550: Open Quantum Systems
 3. Phys 559: Quantum Devices
 4. Phys 660: Quantum Information Science & Many-Body Physics
- **Phys 513: Application of Quantum Computing** (co-taught with Prof. Rosa Di Felice) — quantum simulations on quantum circuits & adiabatic quantum annealer ([syllabus](#))
- **Phys 516 (this course):** Core elective for MSQIS