# Discrete Time Crystals beyond the Ising Model

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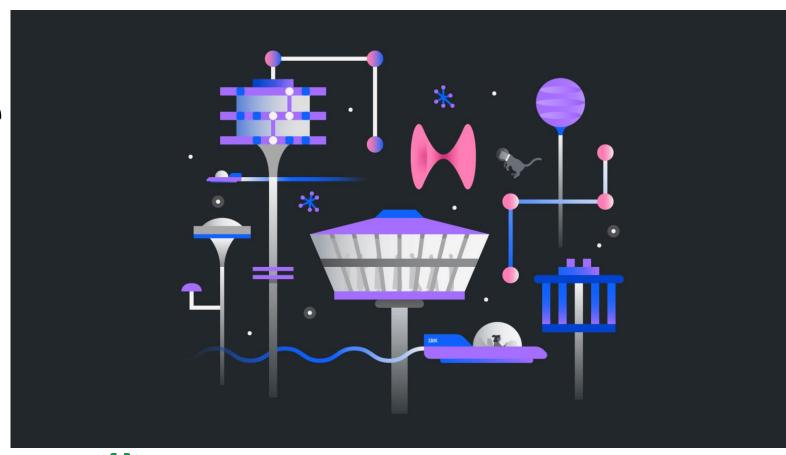
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## Outline

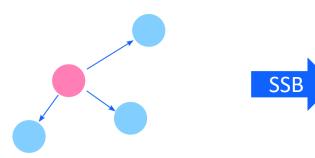
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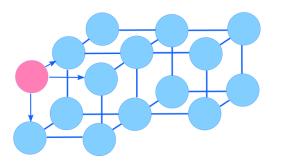
# Discrete Time Crystals

Novel out-of-equilibrium phase of matter



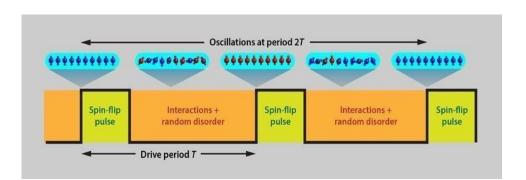
Empty space has continuous translational symmetry

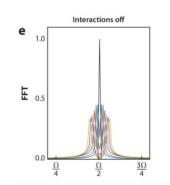
Bloch's theorem  $\psi(x+a) = e^{-ika}\psi(x)$ 

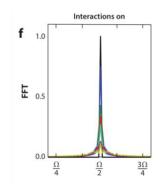


Crystals only have discrete translational symmetries

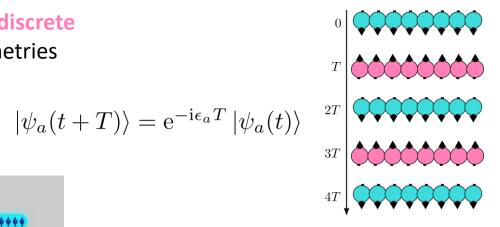








Yao et al., PRL 118 030401 (2017)







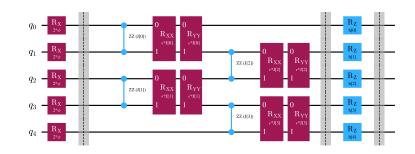
## Model

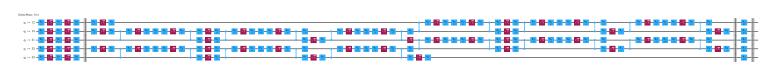
$$H(t) = \begin{cases} H_1 = \frac{\phi}{t_1} \sum_i S_i^x, & \text{for } 0 \le t < t_1 \\ H_2 = H_{XXZ}, & \text{for } t_1 \le t < t_1 + t_2 = T \end{cases}$$

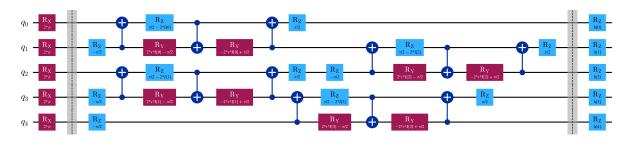
$$H_{XZZ} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} J_{i,j} \left[ \epsilon \left( \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_j^y \right) + \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z \right] + \sum_i^N h_i \sigma_i^z$$

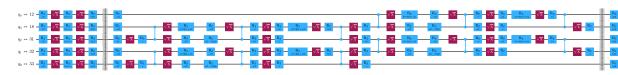
$$J_{i,j} \sim \mathcal{U}[\pi/2, 3\pi/2] \qquad \phi \in [0, \pi/2]$$

$$h_i \sim \mathcal{U}[-\pi, \pi] \qquad \epsilon \in [0, 1]$$







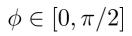






## Simulations on real hardware





 $\epsilon \in [0,1]$ 

T Floquet steps



11 anisotropy values

50 Floquet steps

6050 jobs

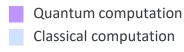
Nearly **11 hours** of simulation

For a unique disorder instance

For a unique initial state

Without adding DD or PT

**Really demanding problem** 



System

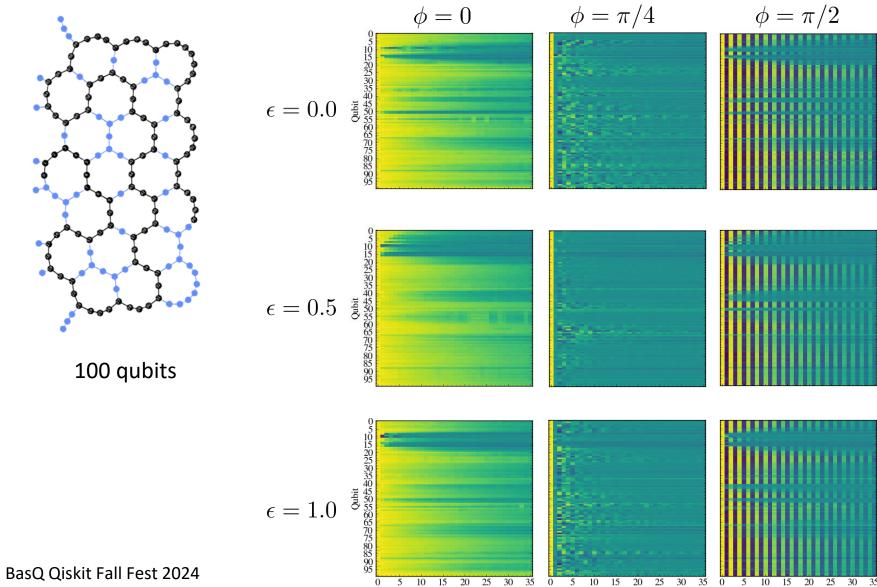




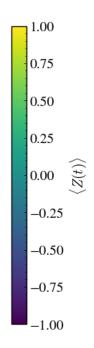
# Results: 1D case

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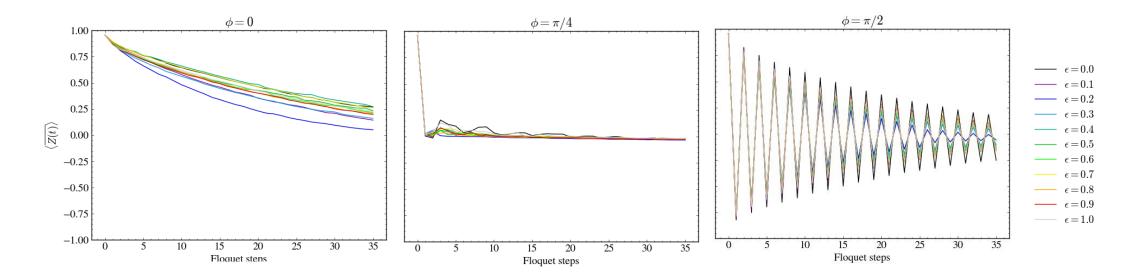


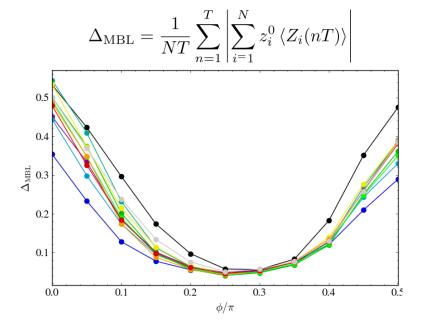
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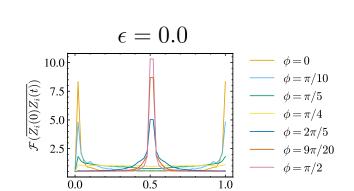


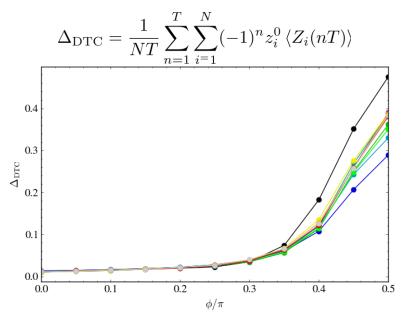








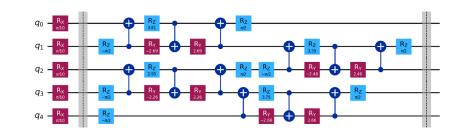


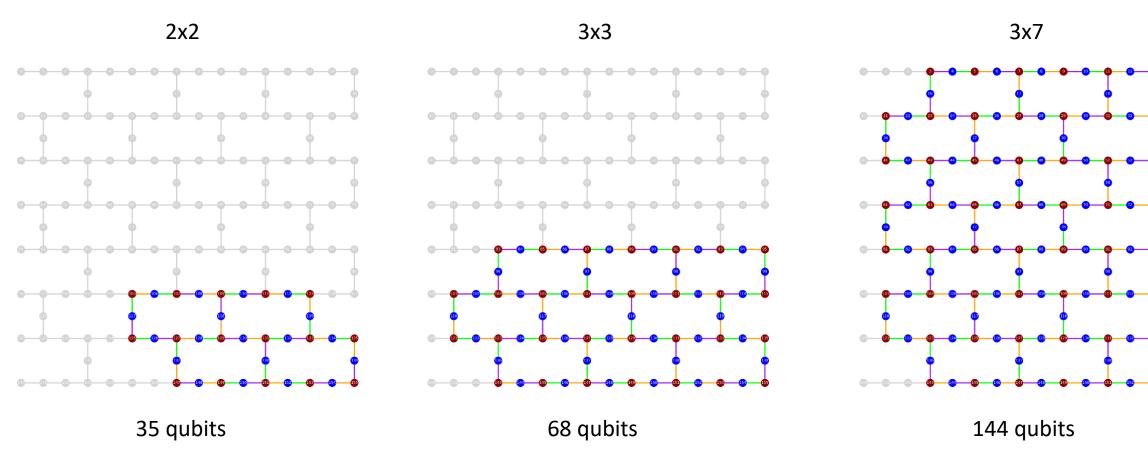






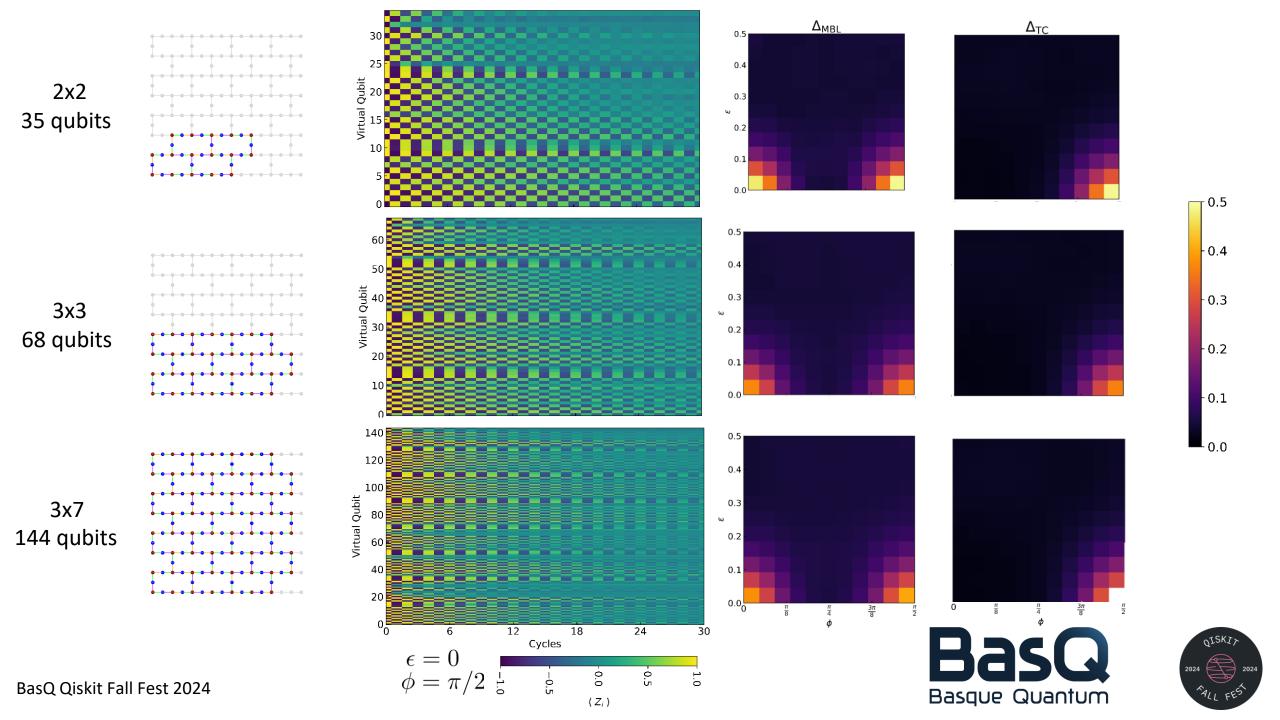
# 2D configurations











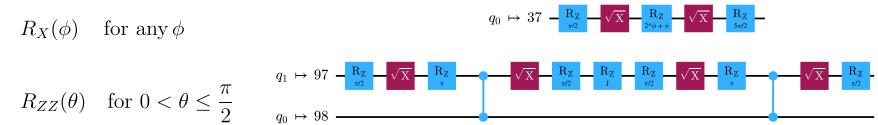
## Conclusion and outlook

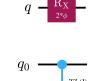
DTC phase can be studied in current NISQ hardware

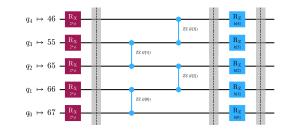
Completely characterizing the system requires a significant amount of simulation time.

We need to go deeper...

#### Fractional gates

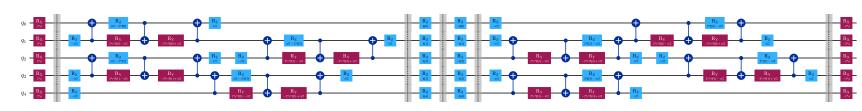












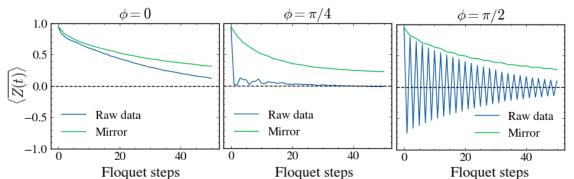
Protocol pathways to

error mitigation

#### **Compute and uncompute**

Farrell et al., PRX Quantum **5**, 020315 (2024) Farrell et al., PRD **109**, 111510 (2024)

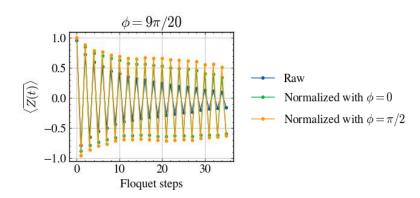
$$\eta_O = 1 - \frac{\langle O \rangle_{\text{meas}}}{\langle O \rangle_{\text{pred}}}$$



#### Normalization by Clifford point data

Shinjo et al., arxiv.org/abs/2403.16718

$$\langle \hat{Z}_{\text{avg}}(t) \rangle \approx \frac{\langle \hat{Z}_{\text{avg}}(t) \rangle_0}{|\langle \hat{Z}_{\text{avg}}(t) \rangle_0, \theta_x = 0, \pi|}$$





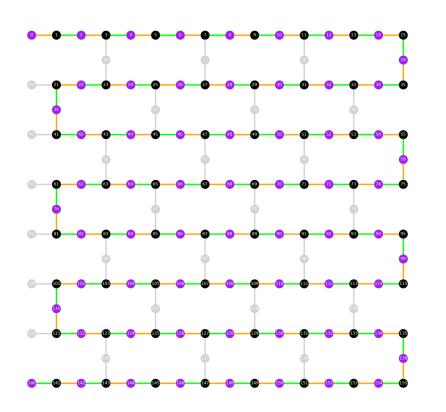


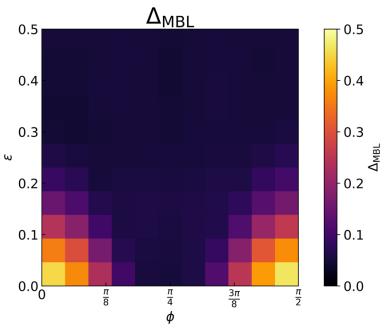
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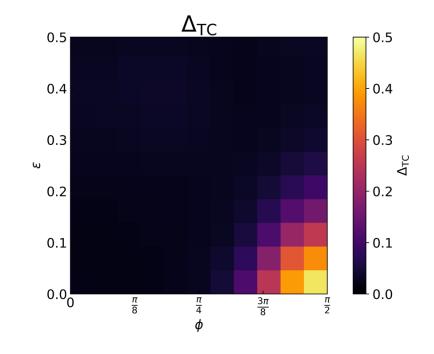




#### Néel state

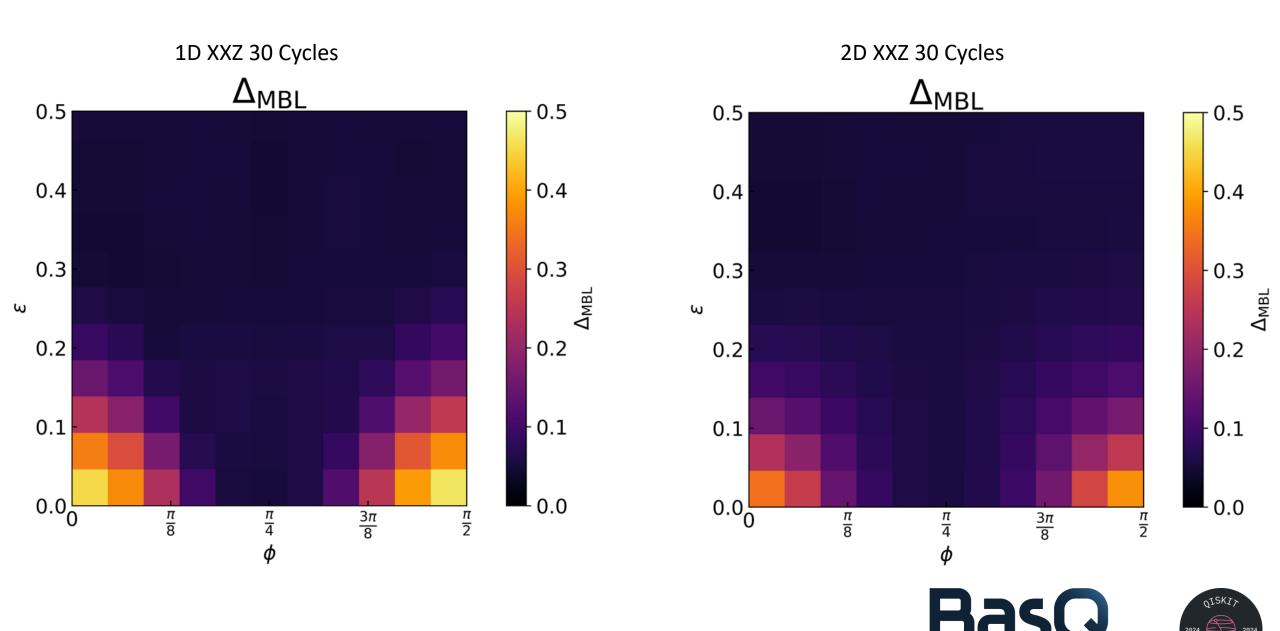












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