





Simulating Stochastic Processes with Variational Quantum Circuits

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Simulations → show possible futures

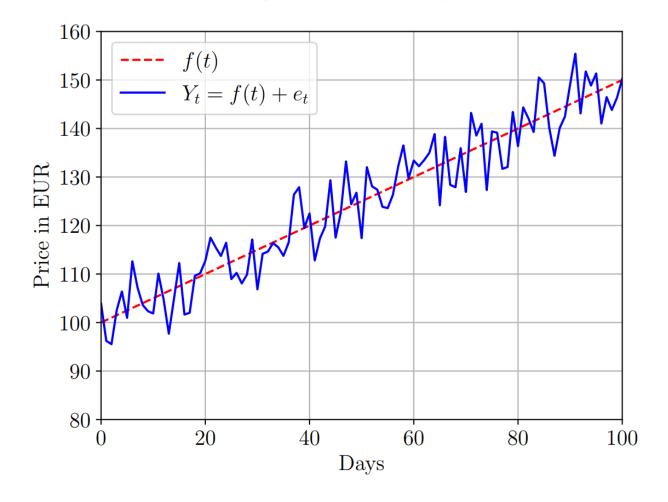




Assume linear trend f(t)Add some noise  $e_t$ 

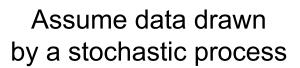
 $\rightarrow e_t$  is a stochastic process

#### Stock Price Trend



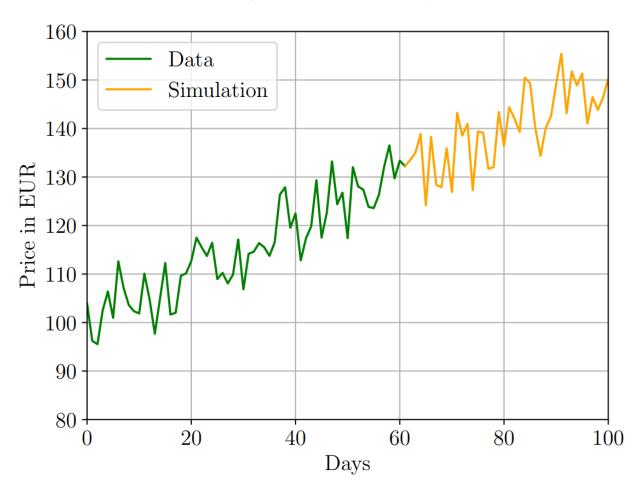


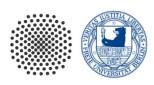






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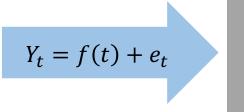
Classical Models ≤ Quantum Models

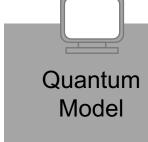
How to get a quantum model?





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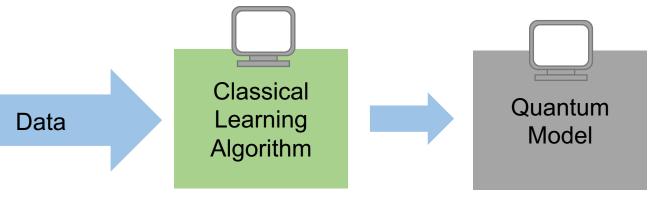


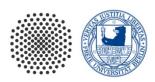


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$$Y_t = f(t) + e_t$$
 Quantum Model

- Data from the process → classical discovery algorithm
  - Yang et al., arXiv:2105.14434

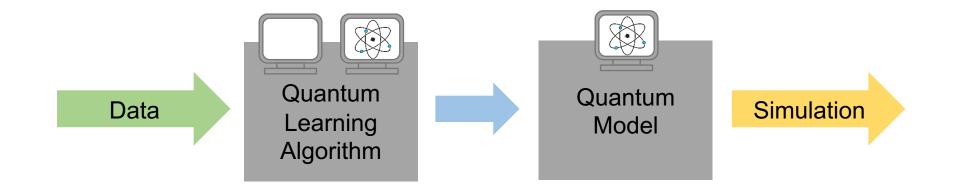






#### Goal

Develop a quantum learning algorithm for predictive models, which uses only data as input.





#### Content

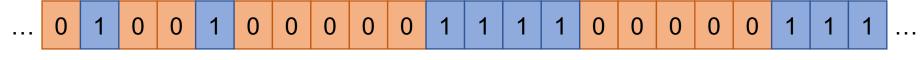


- Stochastic Processes
- $\epsilon$ -machine
- Quantum Circuits
- *q*-simulator
- Quantum Learning Algorithm
- Results
- Conclusion





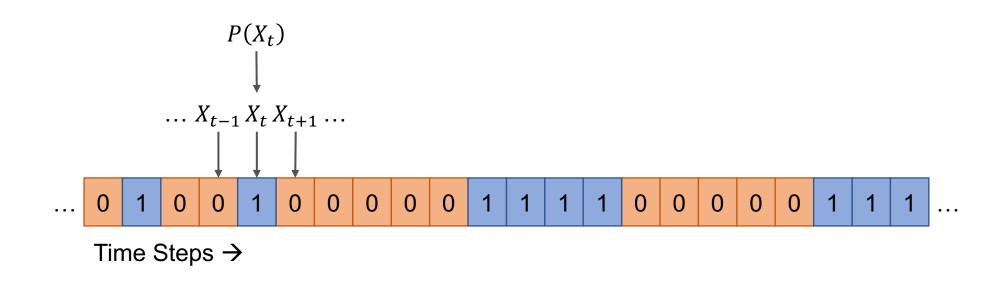


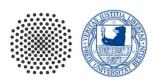


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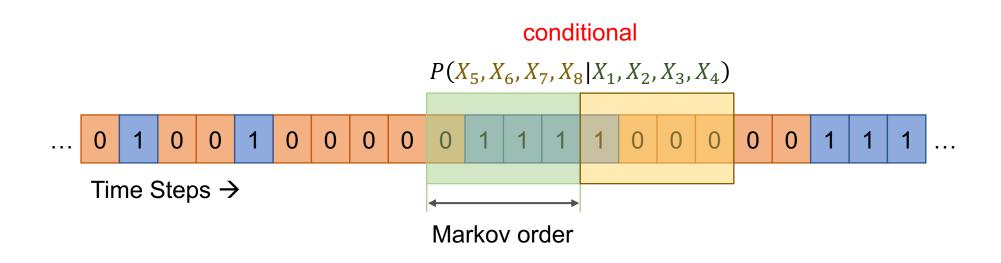








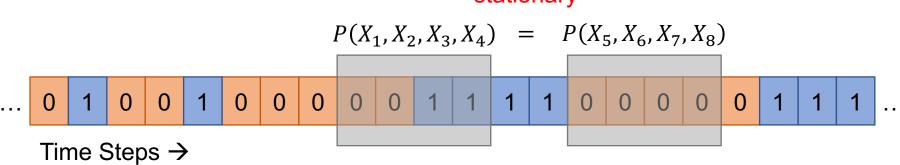






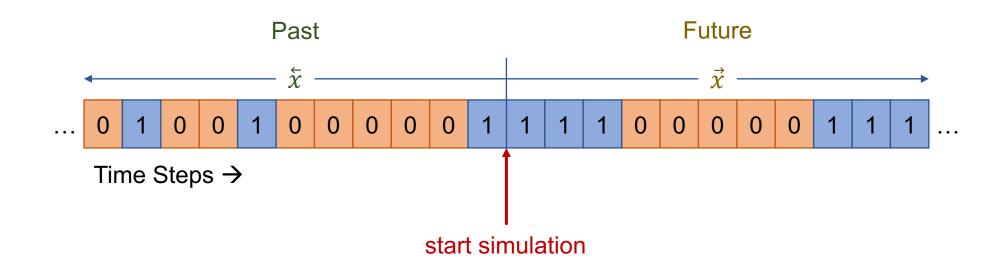


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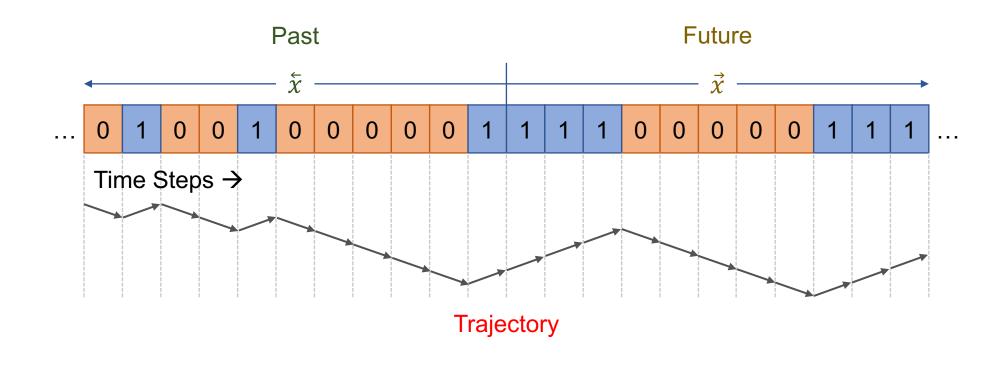








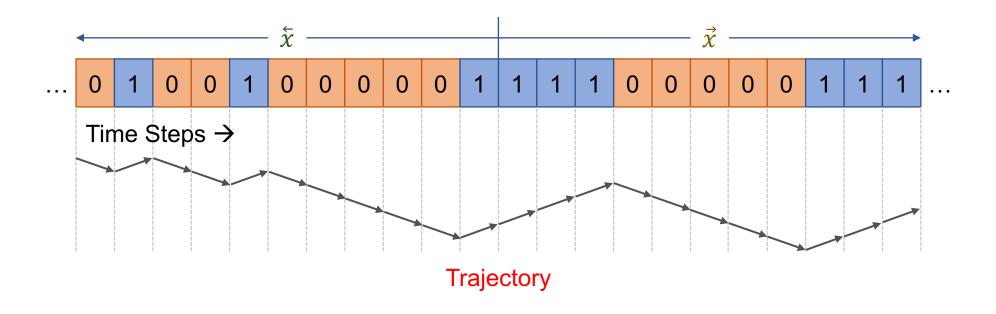








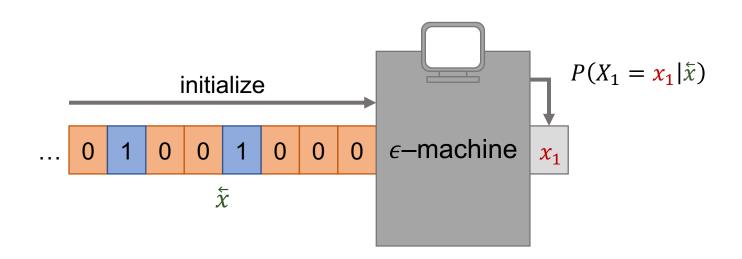
- Simulating = sampling trajectories
- Trajectory is governed by  $P(\vec{X}|\vec{X})$





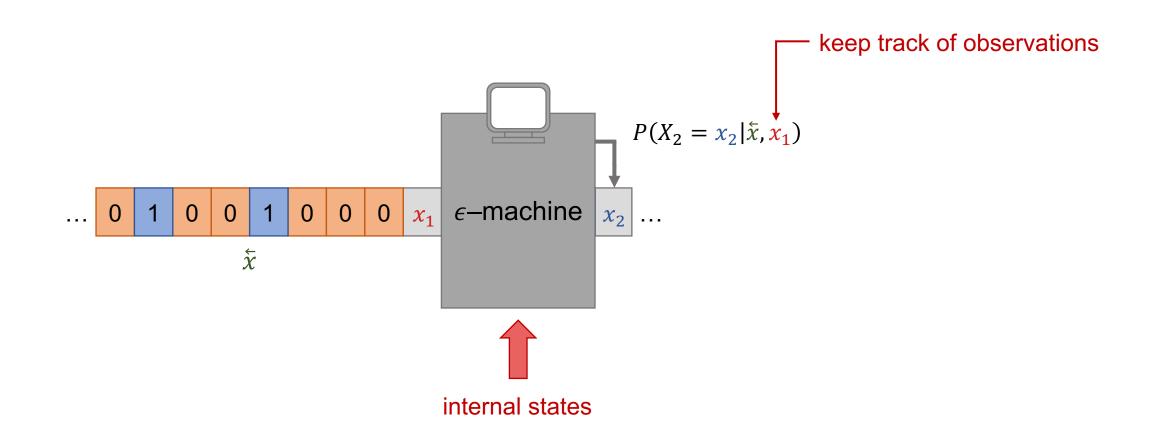


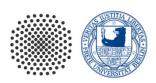




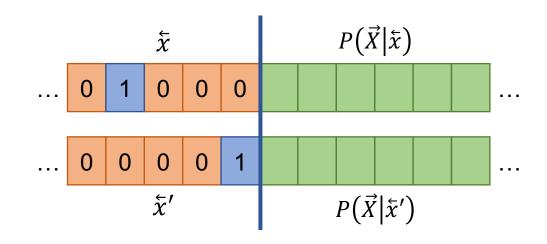






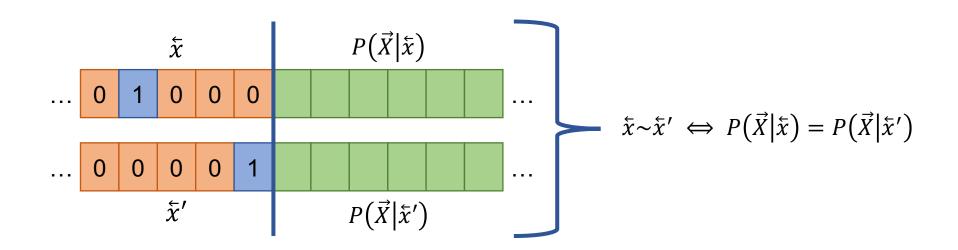






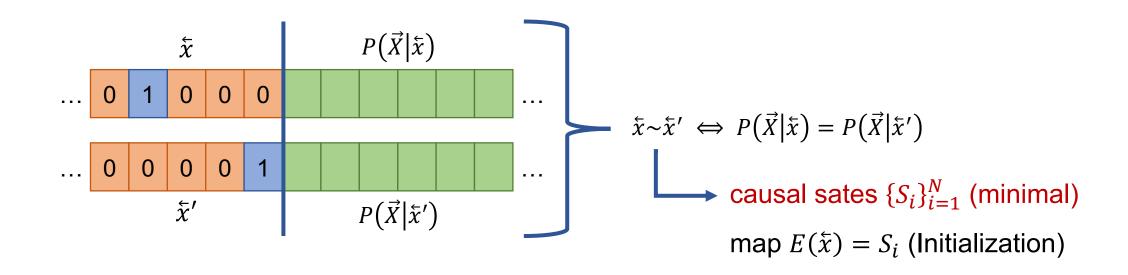












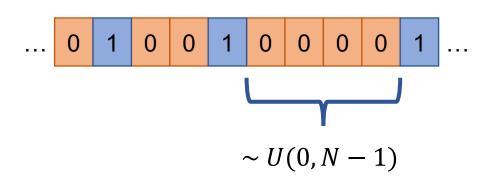
Classical Topological Complexity:  $d_c = \log_2 N$ 

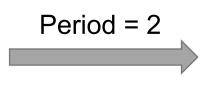


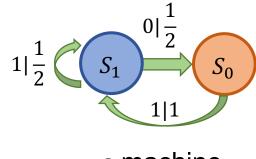
# Example



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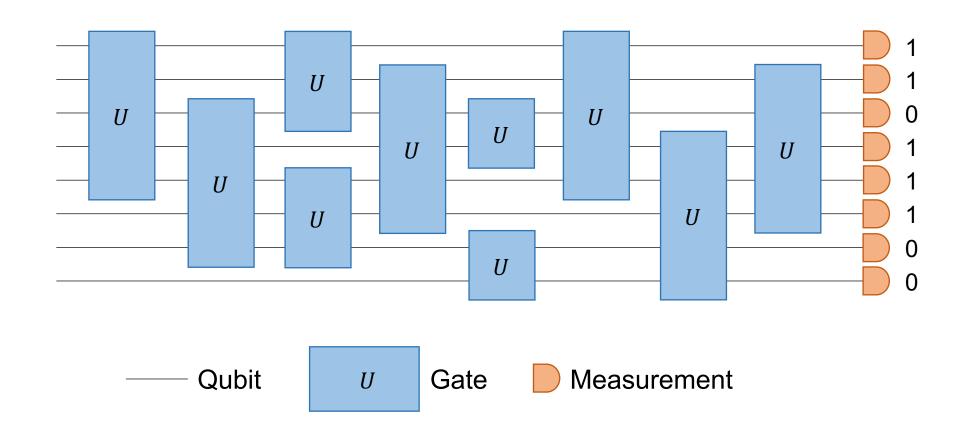
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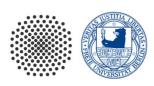
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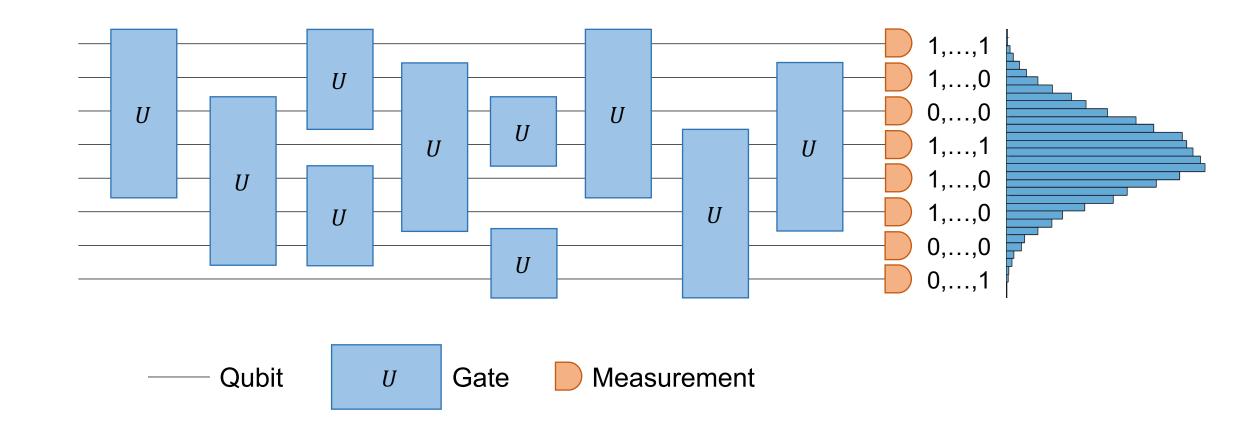




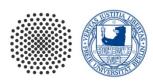


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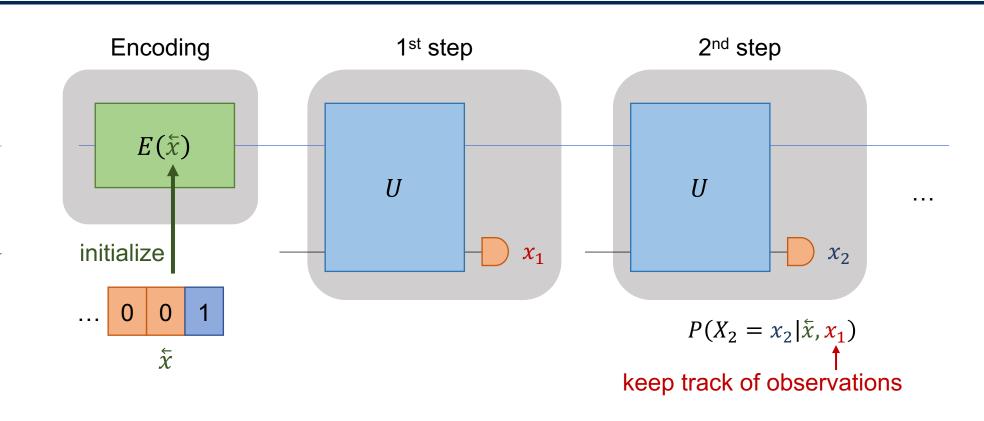


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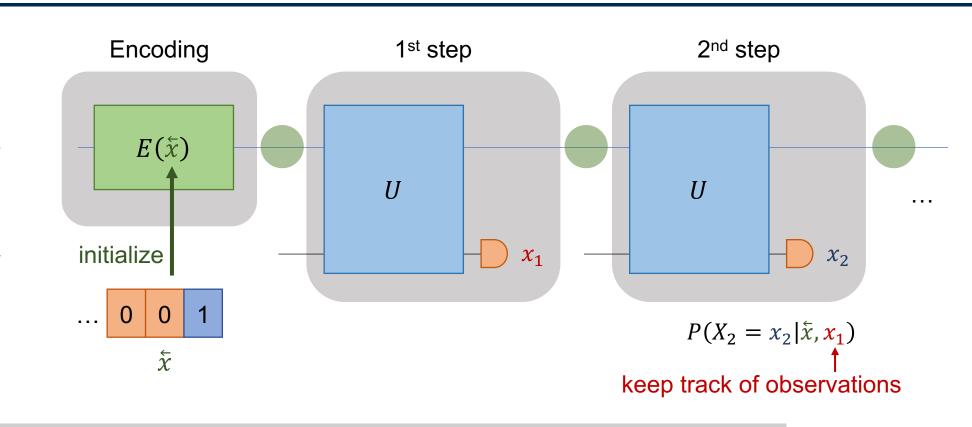




**Auxiliary Registers** 



memory states



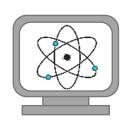
**Quantum Topological Complexity:**  $d_q = \#qubits$ 



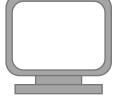
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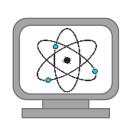
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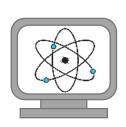
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How to get a quantum representation of a quantum model?

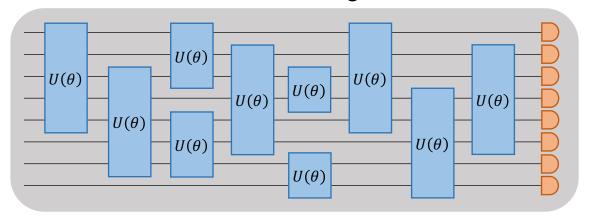
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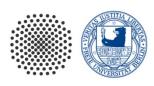


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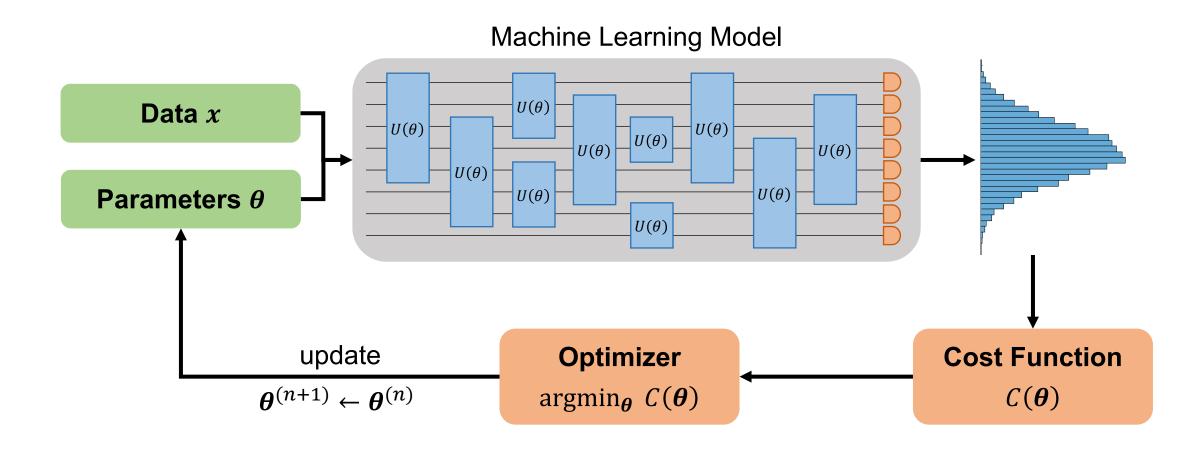
#### Machine Learning Model





# Variational Quantum Algorithms

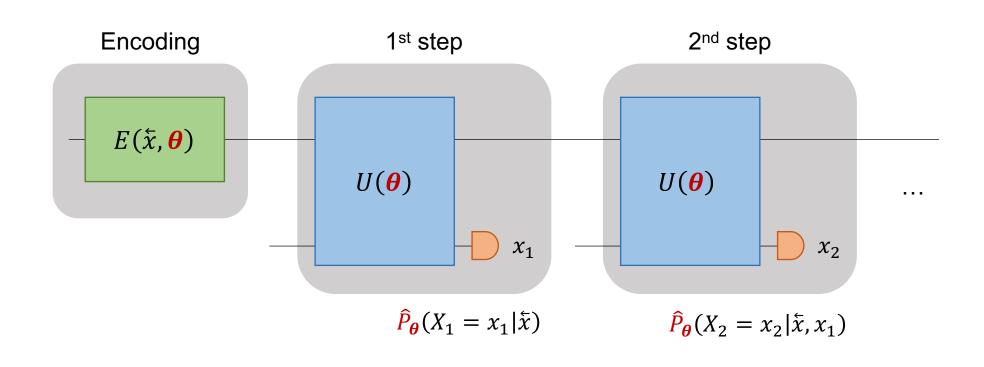




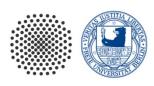


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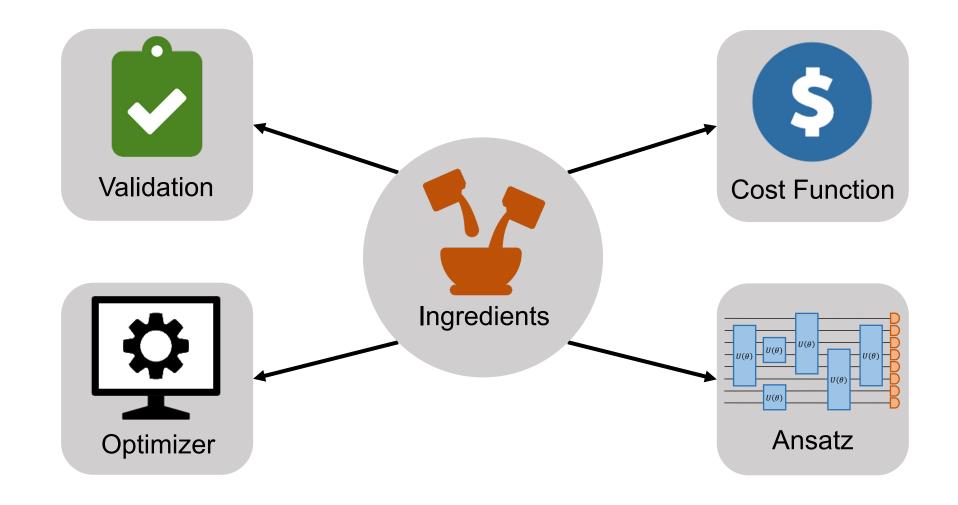


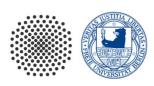


Approximate 
$$P \rightarrow |P - \hat{P}_{\theta}| < \delta$$

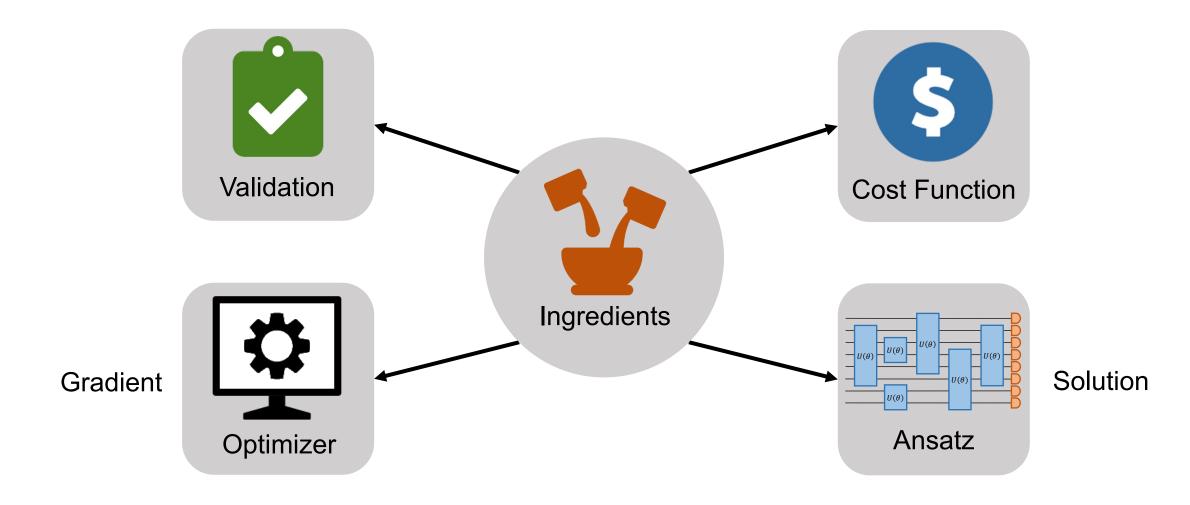


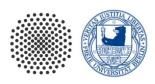




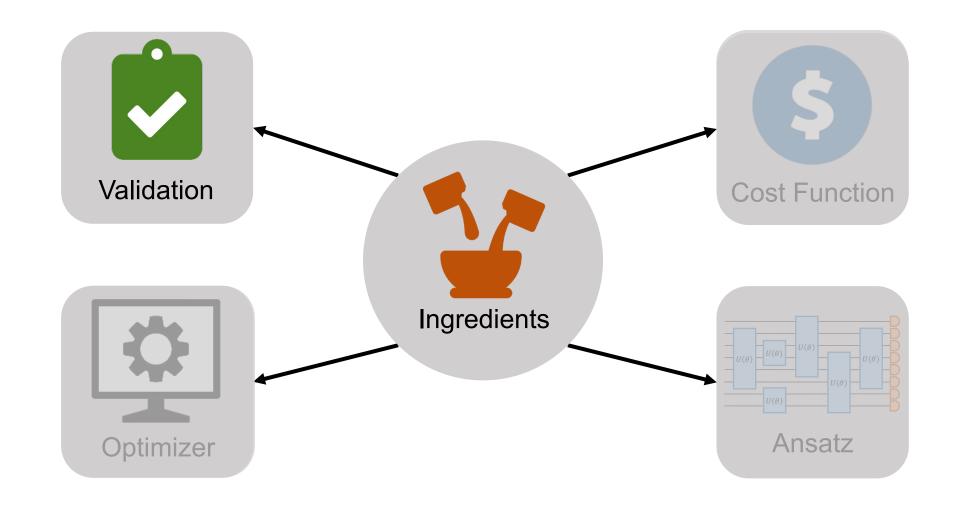










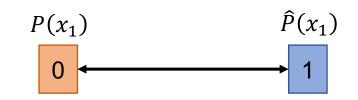






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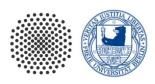
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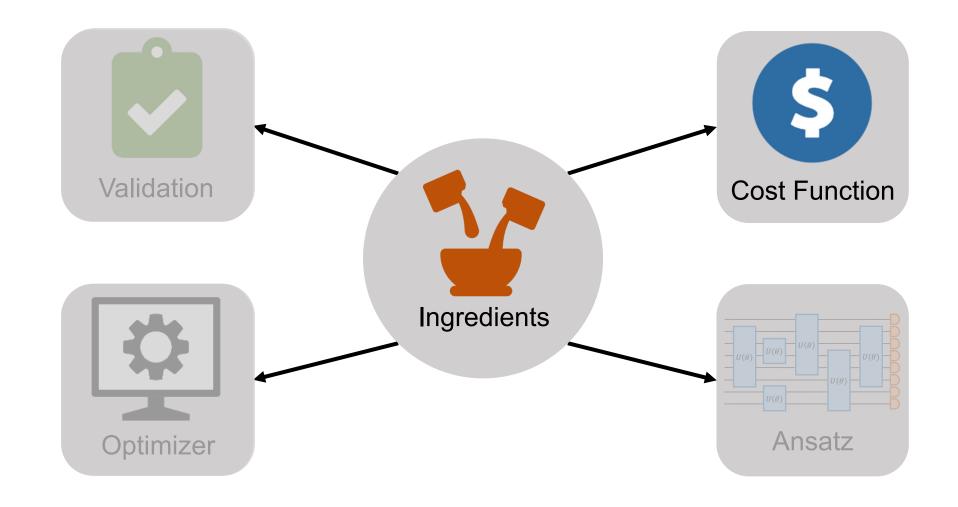
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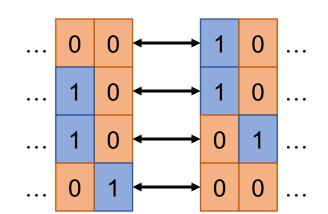
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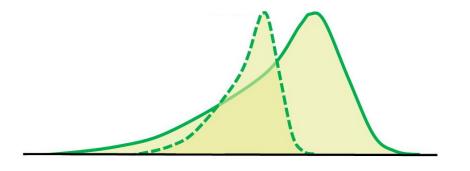
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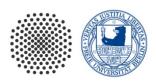


Maximum Mean Discrepancy: (MMD)

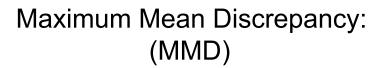


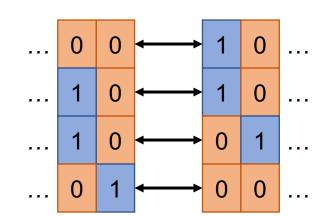


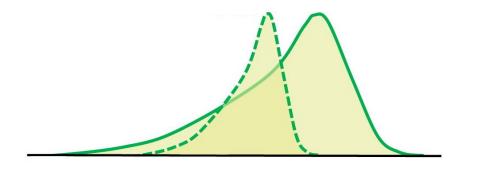
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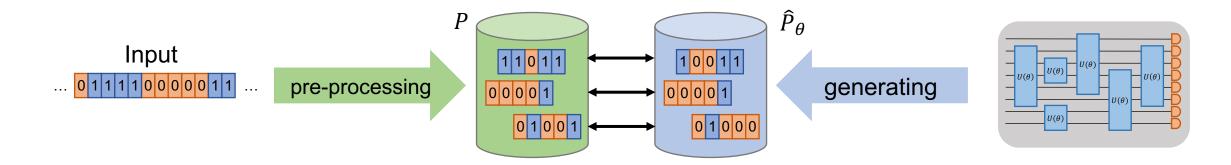








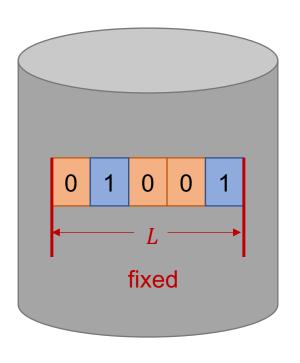
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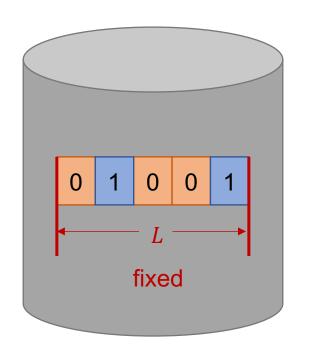




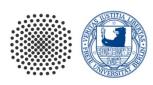


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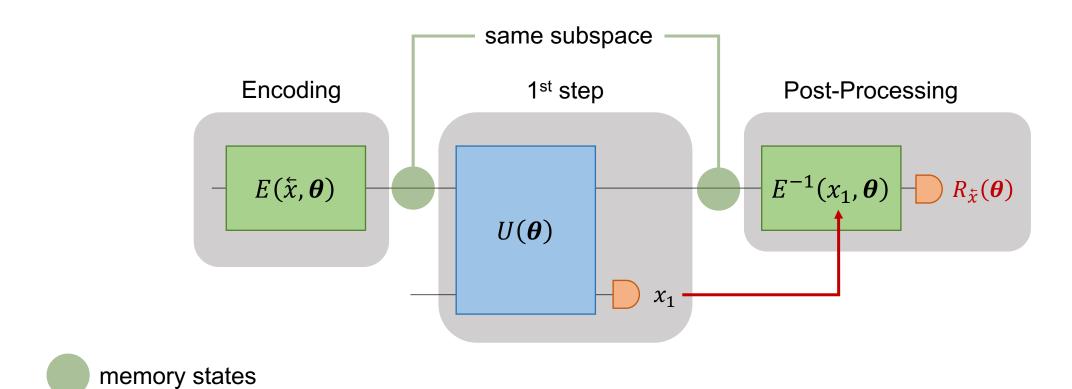
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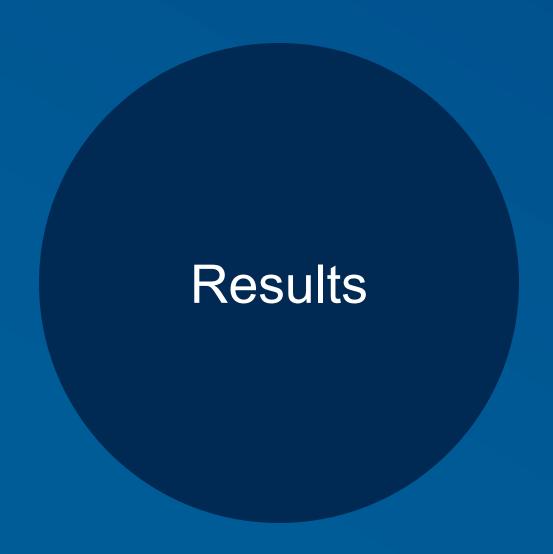


Regularization = penalizes models with a large set of memory states



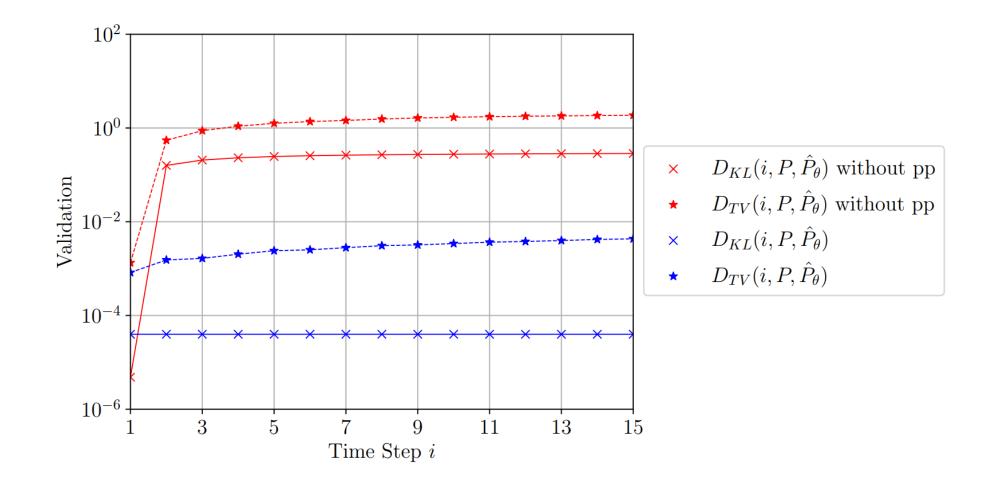








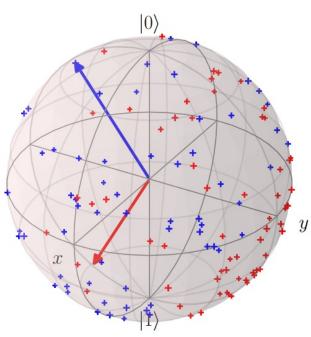


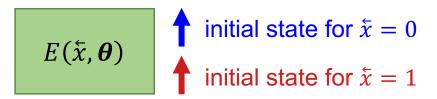














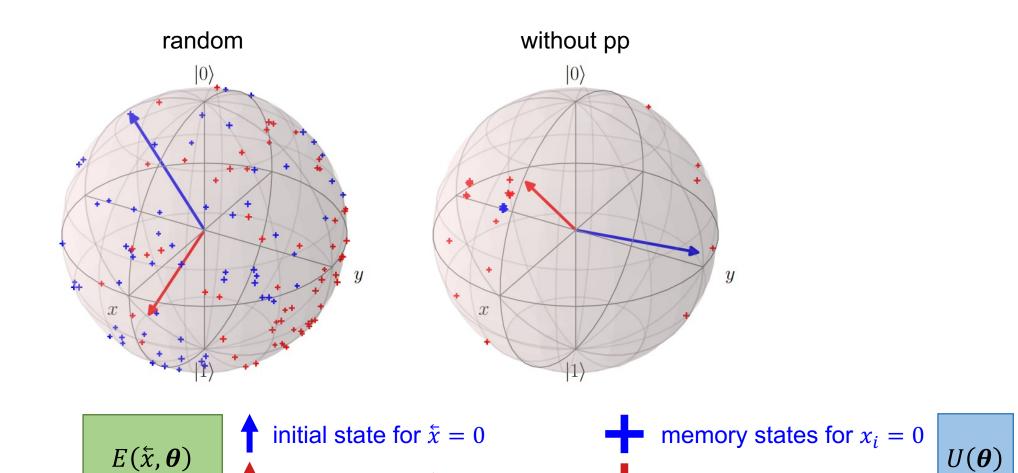




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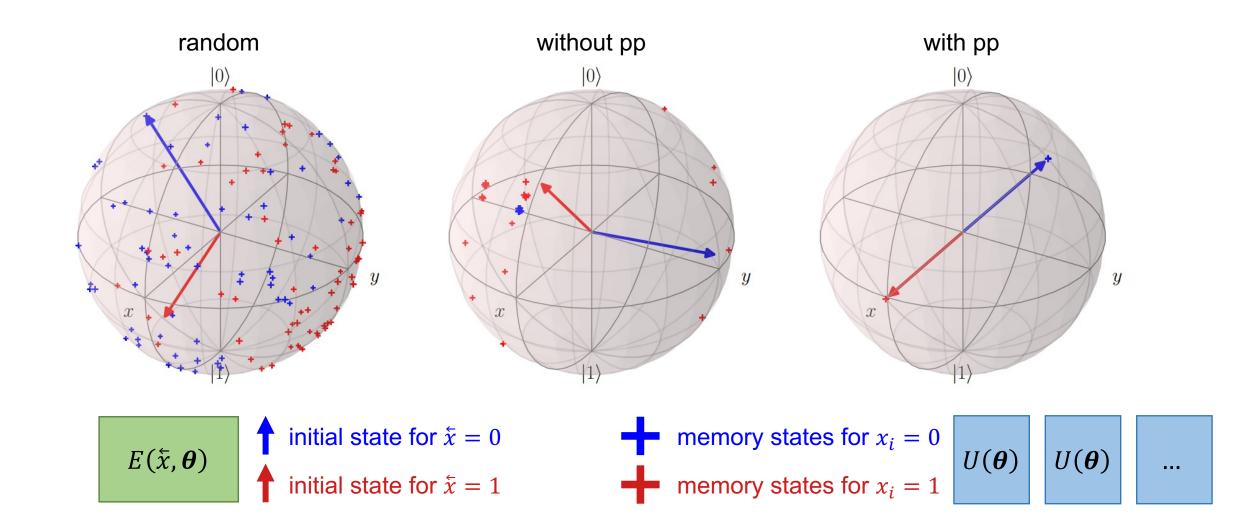
initial state for  $\dot{x} = 1$ 

memory states for  $x_i = 1$ 

 $U(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ 









#### Conclusion & Outlook



- Developed a hybrid quantum learning algorithm for predictive models
- Learning algorithm is memory efficient
- Extended MMD for predictive models → Decrease KL and TV
- Regularization → small set of memory states
- Learned models show constantly good simulation performance
- Apply the algorithm to the period-3 uniform renewal process
- Consider processes with outcomes ⊆ N

# Thank you very much!

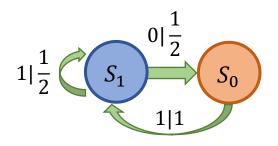
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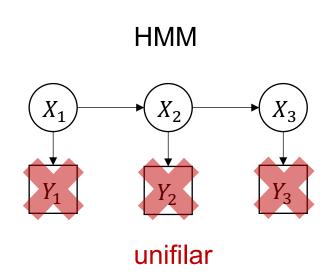


### $\epsilon$ -machine vs. HMM



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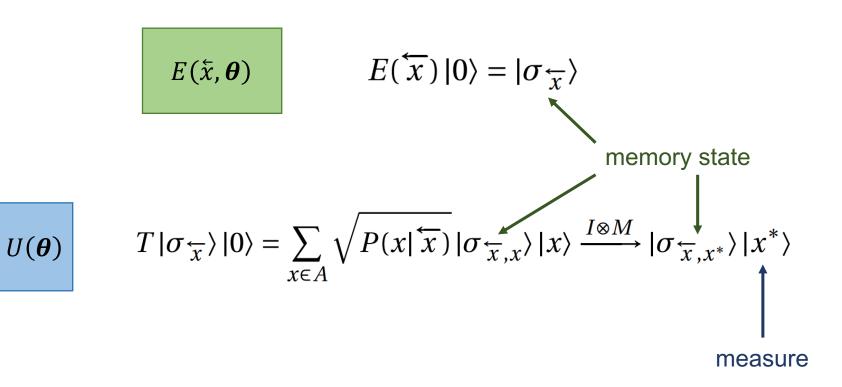






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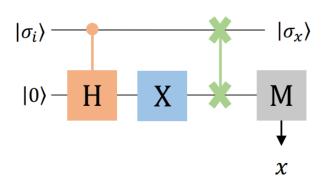
#### Ansatz



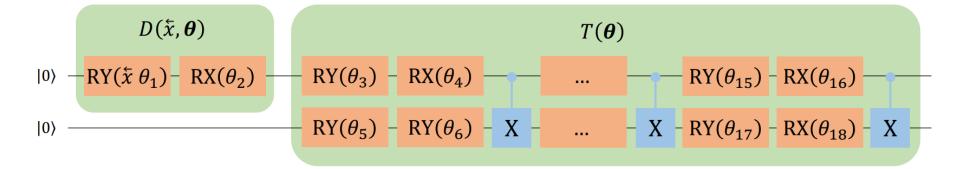
Analytical solution:

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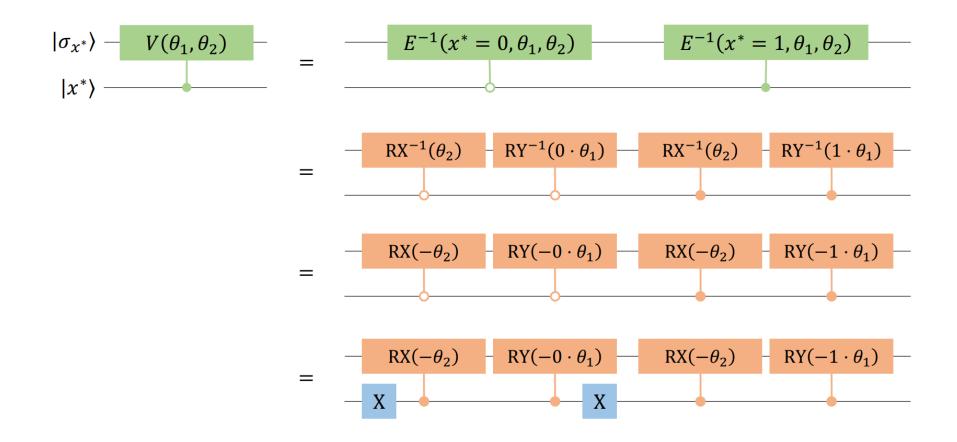
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# Post Processing









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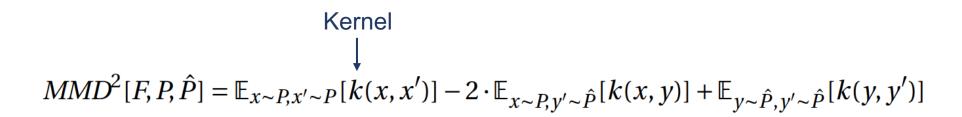
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## Maximum Mean Discrepancy





$$\frac{\partial MMD^{2}[P,\hat{P}_{\theta}]}{\partial \theta_{i}} = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \alpha'_{i,j}(\theta_{i}) \left[ \underset{x \sim \hat{P}_{\theta_{i,j}^{+}}}{\mathbb{E}} [k(x,y)] - \underset{x \sim \hat{P}_{\theta_{i,j}^{-}}}{\mathbb{E}} [k(x,y)] - \underset{x \sim \hat{P}_{\theta_{i,j}^{+}}}{\mathbb{E}} [k(x,y)] + \underset{x \sim \hat{P}_{\theta_{i,j}^{-}}}{\mathbb{E}} [k(x,y)] \right]$$

Matrix depending on the ansatz

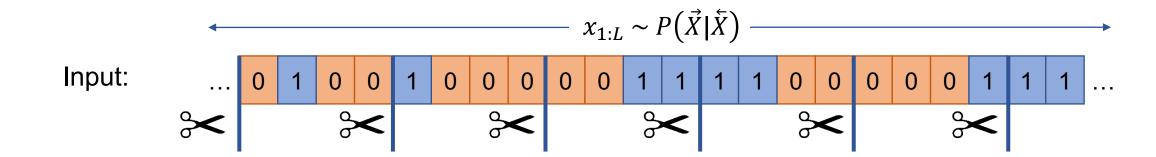




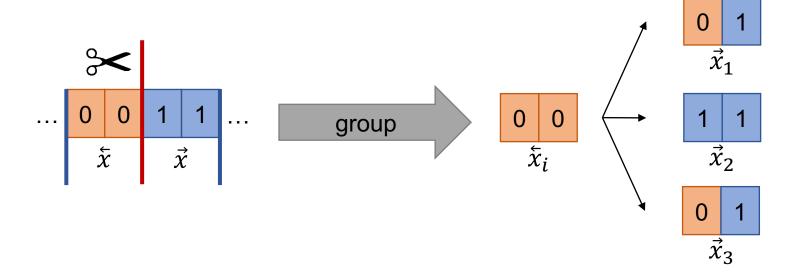
**Training** 

Data

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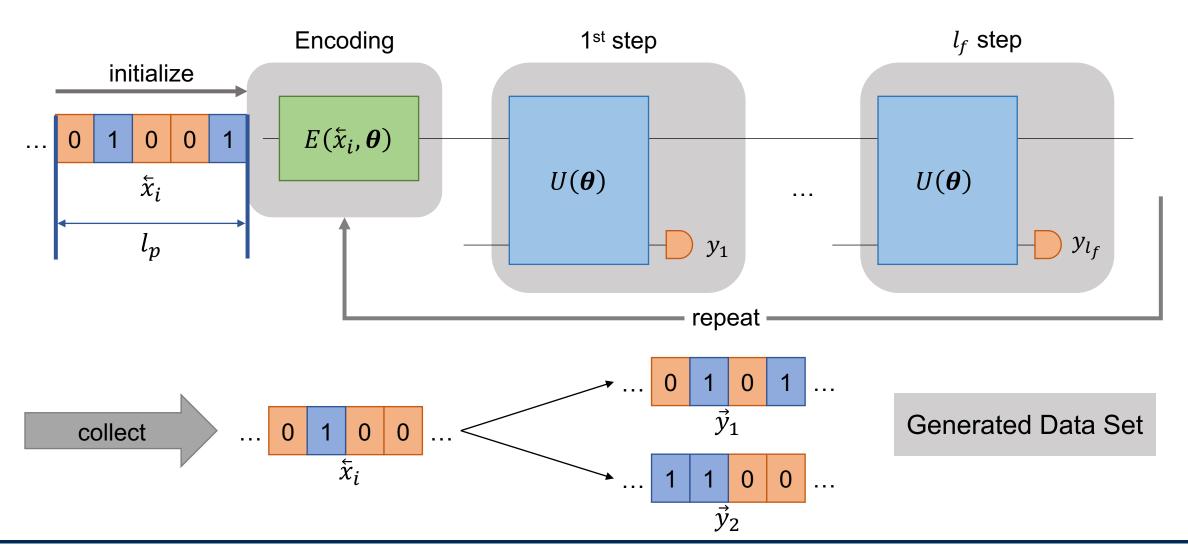


Pre-Processing:





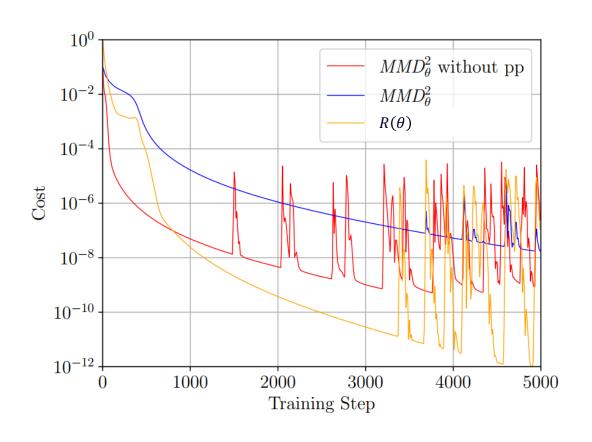


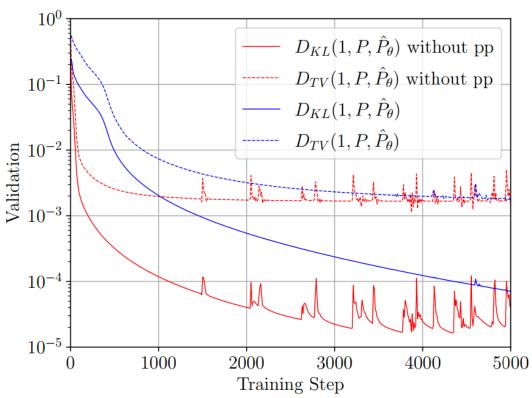




# Training



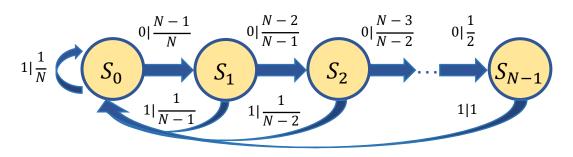






#### Period-N Uniform Renewal Process





 $\epsilon$ -machine

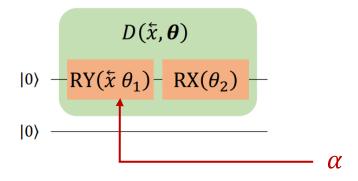


#### **Gradients**



$$f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \langle 0 | U(\boldsymbol{\theta})^{\dagger} \hat{O} U(\boldsymbol{\theta}) | 0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial f(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \alpha'_{j}(\mu) \left[ f_{j} \left( \alpha_{j}(\mu), + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) - f_{j} \left( \alpha_{j}(\mu), -\frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]$$



# Thank you very much!

Questions are highly welcome.