

Rank Is All You Need: Estimating the Trace of Powers of Density Matrices

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Estimating the trace of powers of identical k density matrices (i.e., $\text{Tr}(\rho^k)$) is a crucial subroutine for many applications such as calculating nonlinear functions of quantum states, preparing quantum Gibbs states, and mitigating quantum errors. Reducing the requisite number of qubits and gates is essential to fit a quantum algorithm onto near-term quantum devices. Inspired by the Newton-Girard method, we developed an algorithm that uses only $\mathcal{O}(r)$ qubits and $\mathcal{O}(r)$ multi-qubit gates, where r is the rank of ρ . We prove that the estimation of $\{\text{Tr}(\rho^i)\}_{i=1}^r$ is sufficient for estimating the trace of powers with large $k > r$. With these advantages, our algorithm brings the estimation of the trace of powers closer to the capabilities of near-term quantum processors. We show that our results can be generalized for estimating $\text{Tr}(M\rho^k)$, where M is an arbitrary observable, and demonstrate the advantages of our algorithm in several applications.

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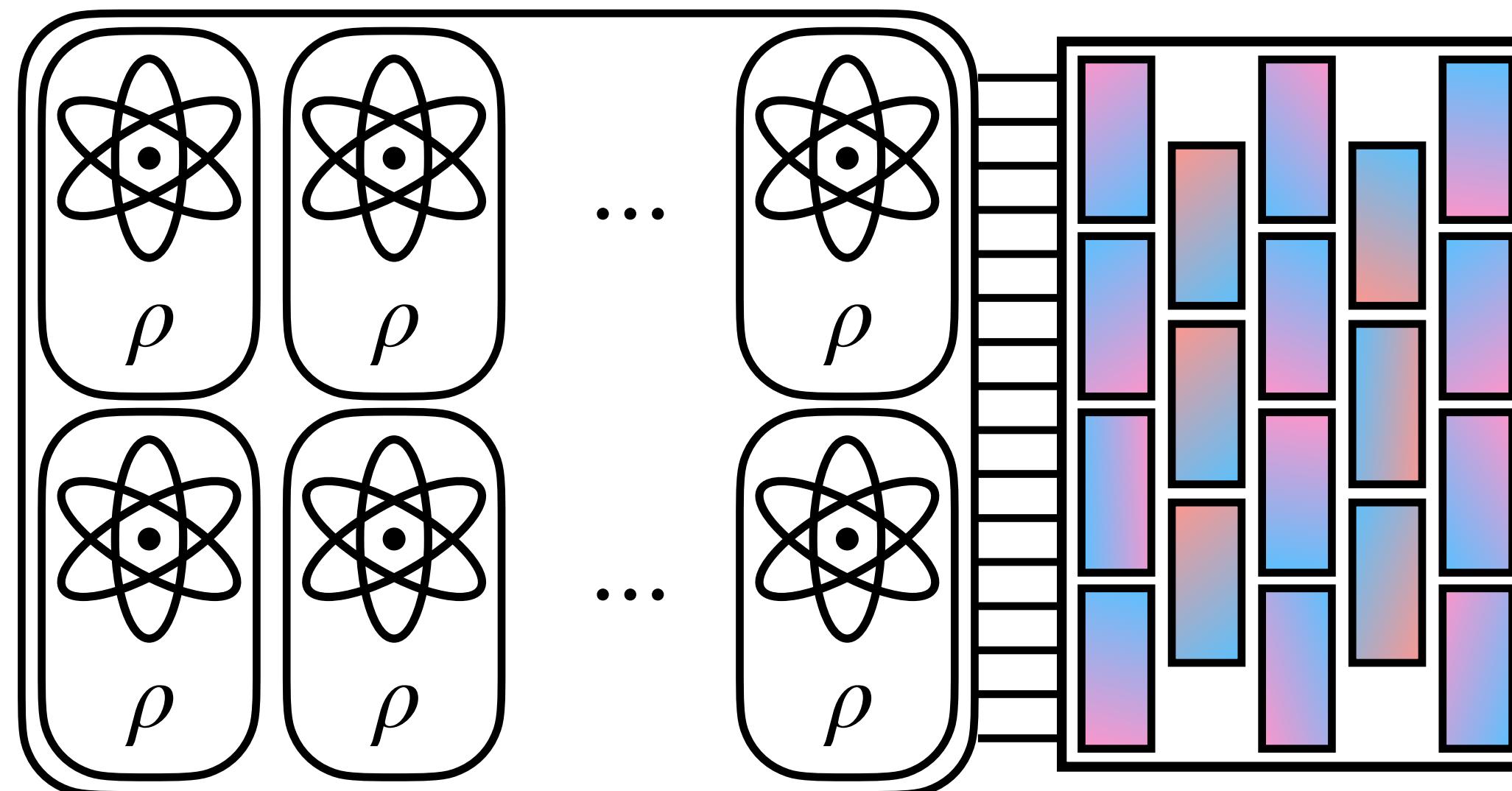
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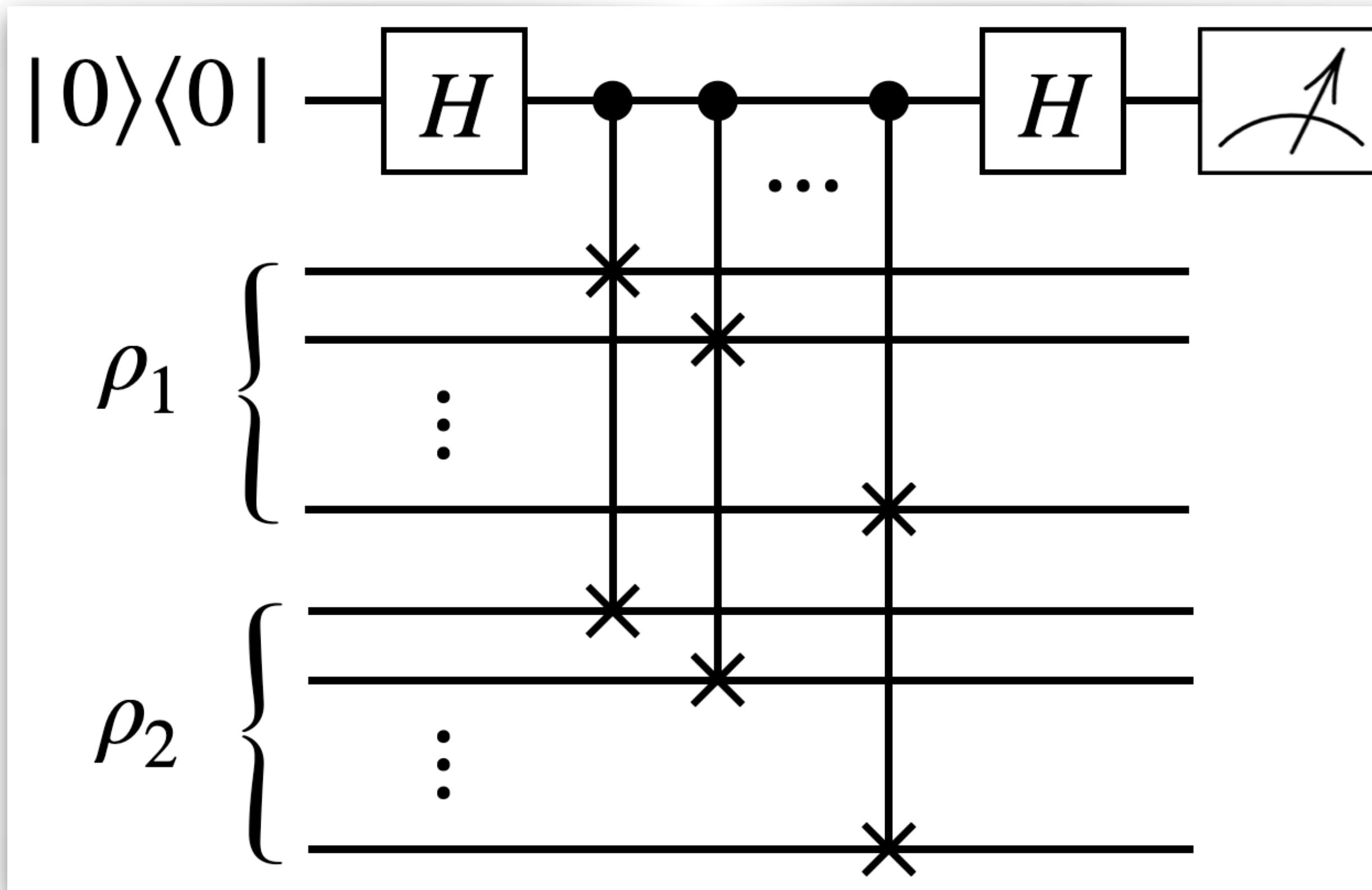


Given $\rho^{\otimes k}$ (efficient) quantum protocol
& some post processing

$\xrightarrow{\epsilon\text{-approximate}} \text{Tr} (\rho^k)$ {

- Integer Rényi entropy
- Nonlinear function calculations
- Entanglement spectroscopy
- Quantum error mitigation
- Quantum Gibbs state preparation

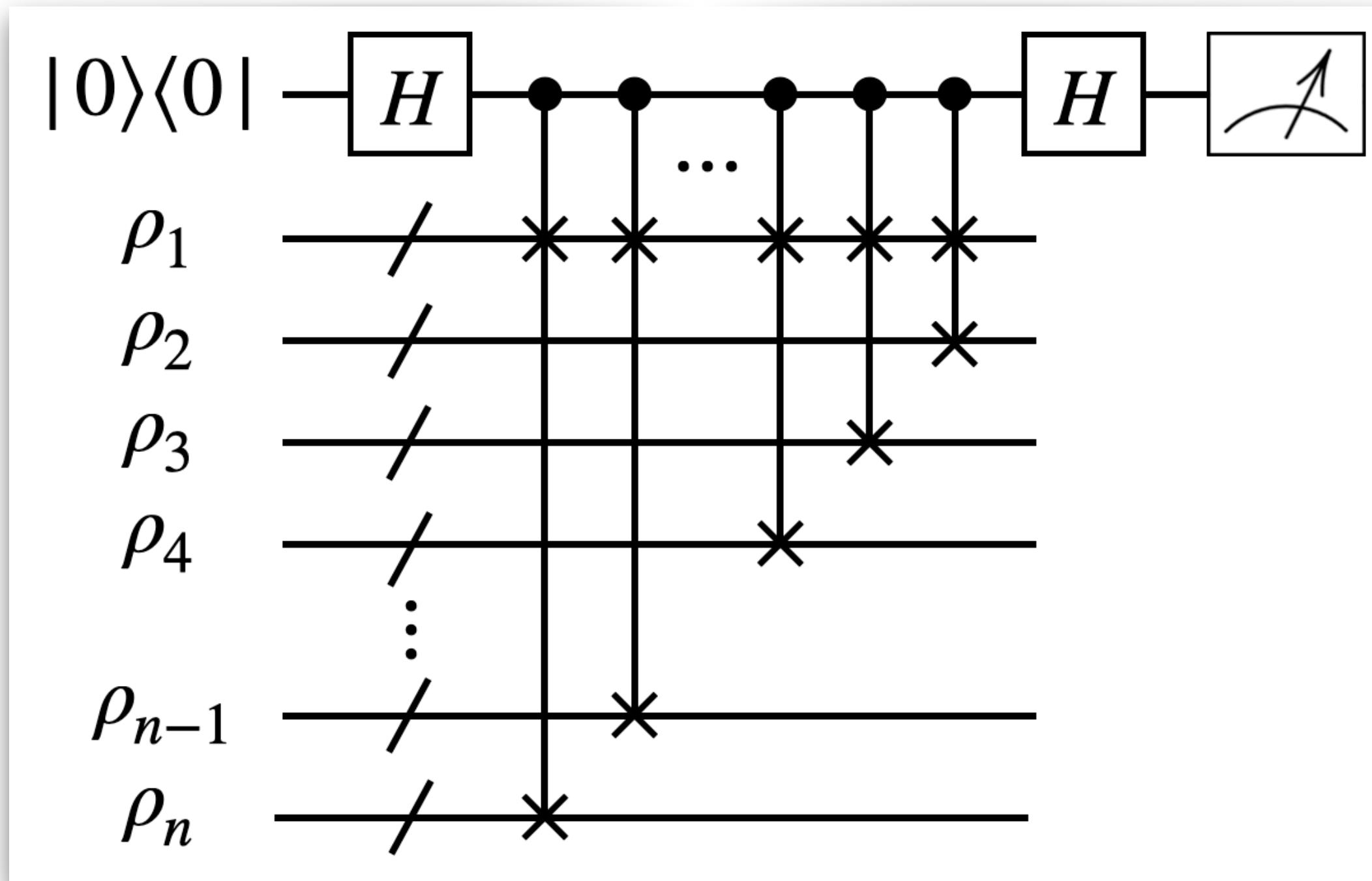
Swap test



$$\text{Tr} \left(S \left(\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 \right) \right) = \text{Tr} \left(\rho_1 \rho_2 \right)$$

S = swap operator

Generalized swap test

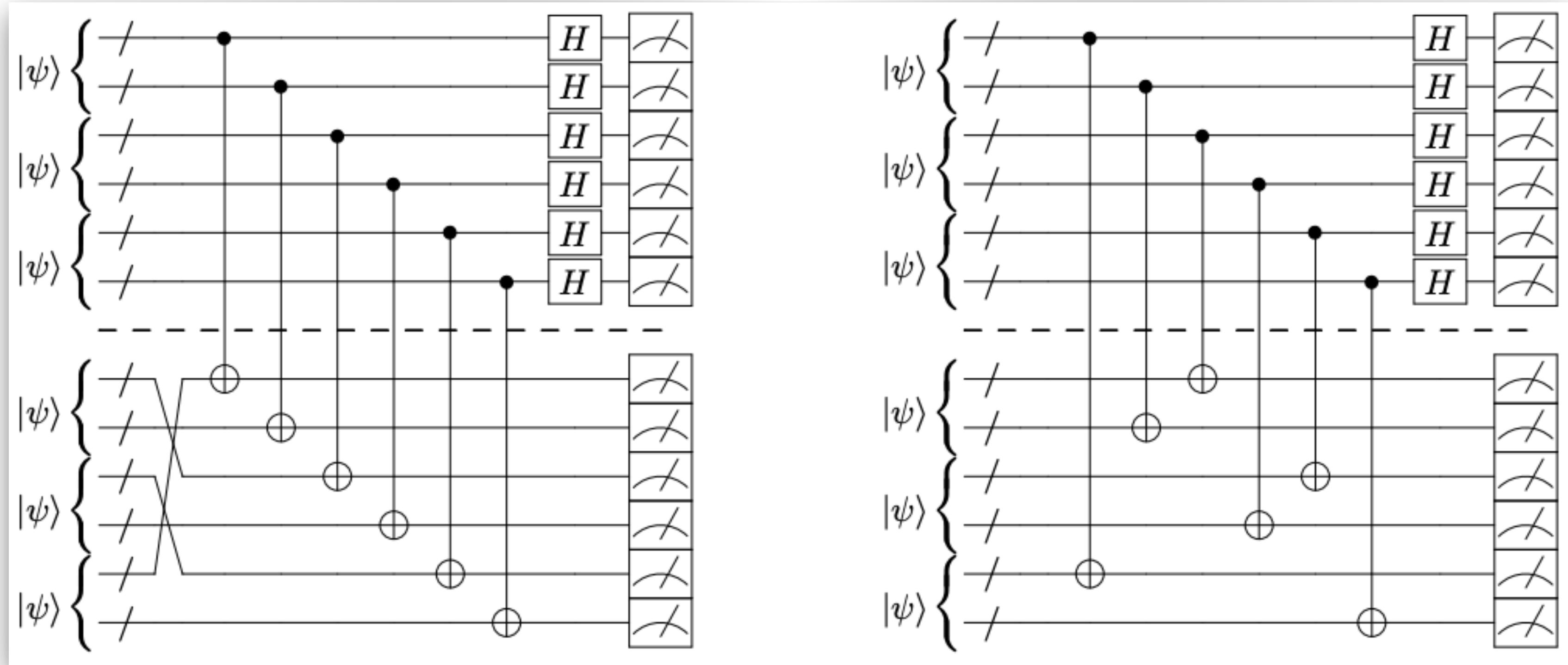


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W^π = cyclic shift permutation operator

Two copy test

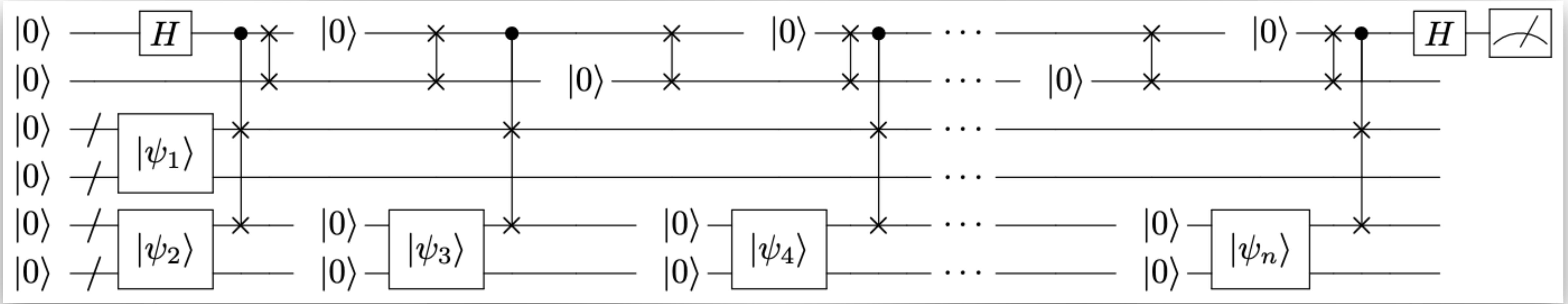


To estimate $\text{Tr}(\rho^k)$

- * **Depth:** $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- * Width: $\mathcal{O}(k)$
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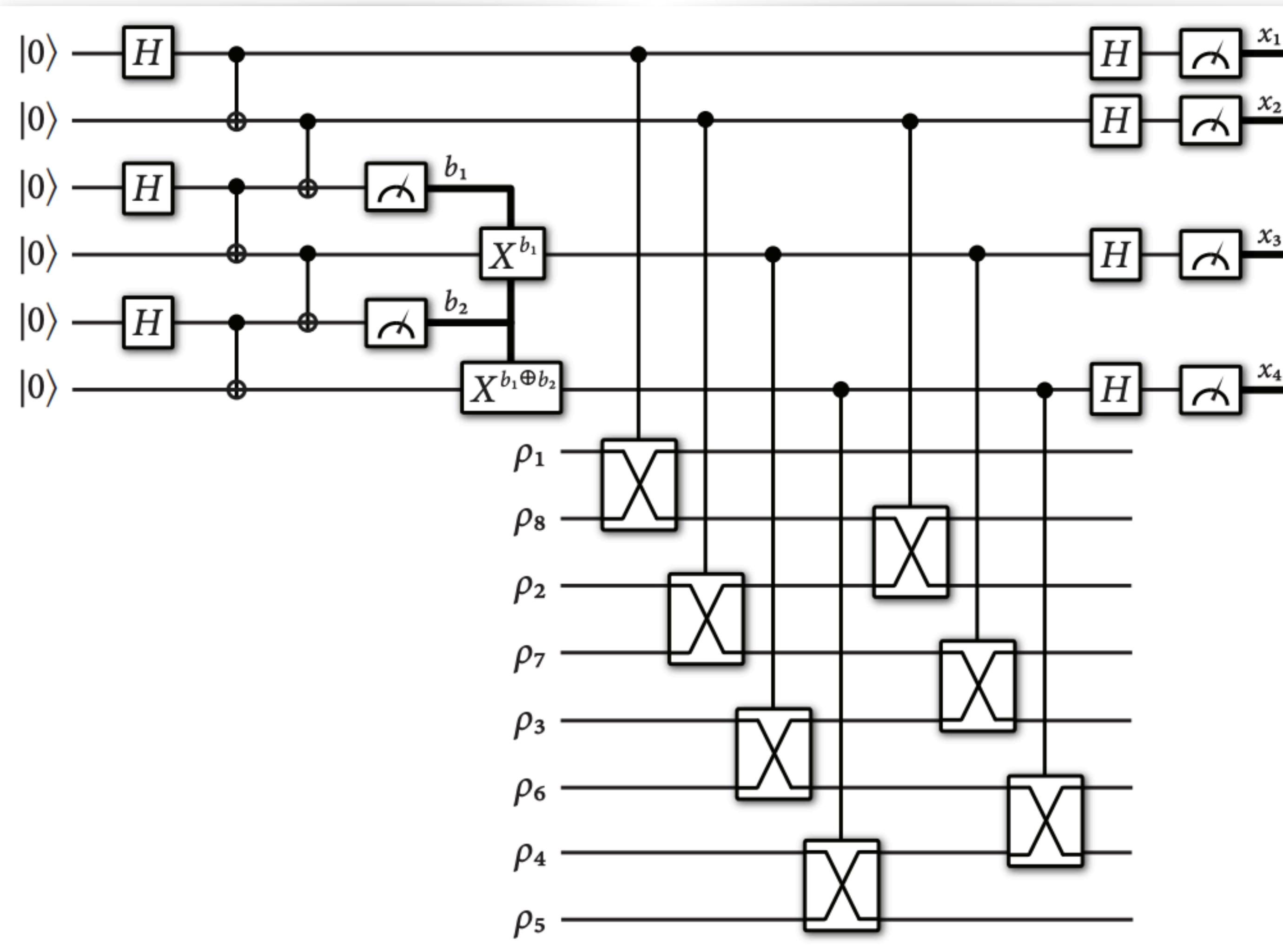
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Multivariate trace estimation algorithm



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* Inspired by Shor's error correction code

Comparison

Summary of resources required by different algorithms
to estimate the values of $\{\text{Tr}(\rho^i)\}_{i=1}^k$ within an error margin of ϵ

Algorithm	# Depth	# Qubits	# CSWAP	# Copies	Original $ \psi\rangle$
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Hadamard test	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)$	Required
Two copy test	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)$	Required
Qubit-efficient two copy test	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)$	Required
Multivariate trace estimation	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}(k)$	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)$	<i>NOT</i> required
Ours (this work)	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(r)$	$\mathcal{O}(r)$	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^2 r^4 \ln^2 r}{\epsilon^2}\right)$, $p_1 \approx 1$ $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{r^2 \ln^2 r}{\epsilon^2}\right)$, otherwise	<i>NOT</i> required

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where

$$a_3 = \sum_{1 \leq \alpha < \beta < \gamma \leq r} p_\alpha p_\beta p_\gamma,$$

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Counterexample – Wilkinson's polynomial

* The location of the roots can be very sensitive to perturbations
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* Some of the roots are greatly displaced, even though the change to the coefficient is tiny and the original roots seem widely spaced.

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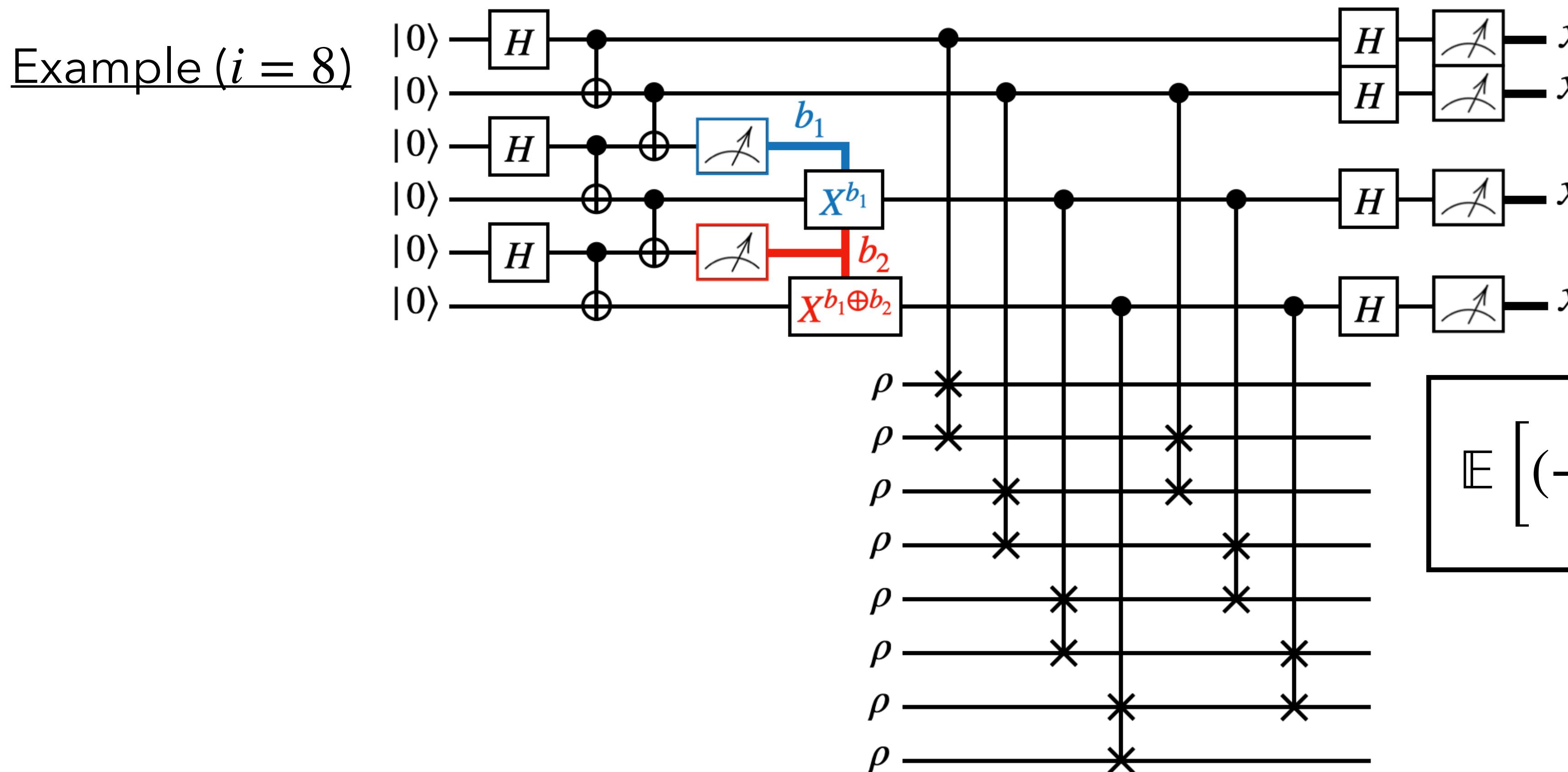
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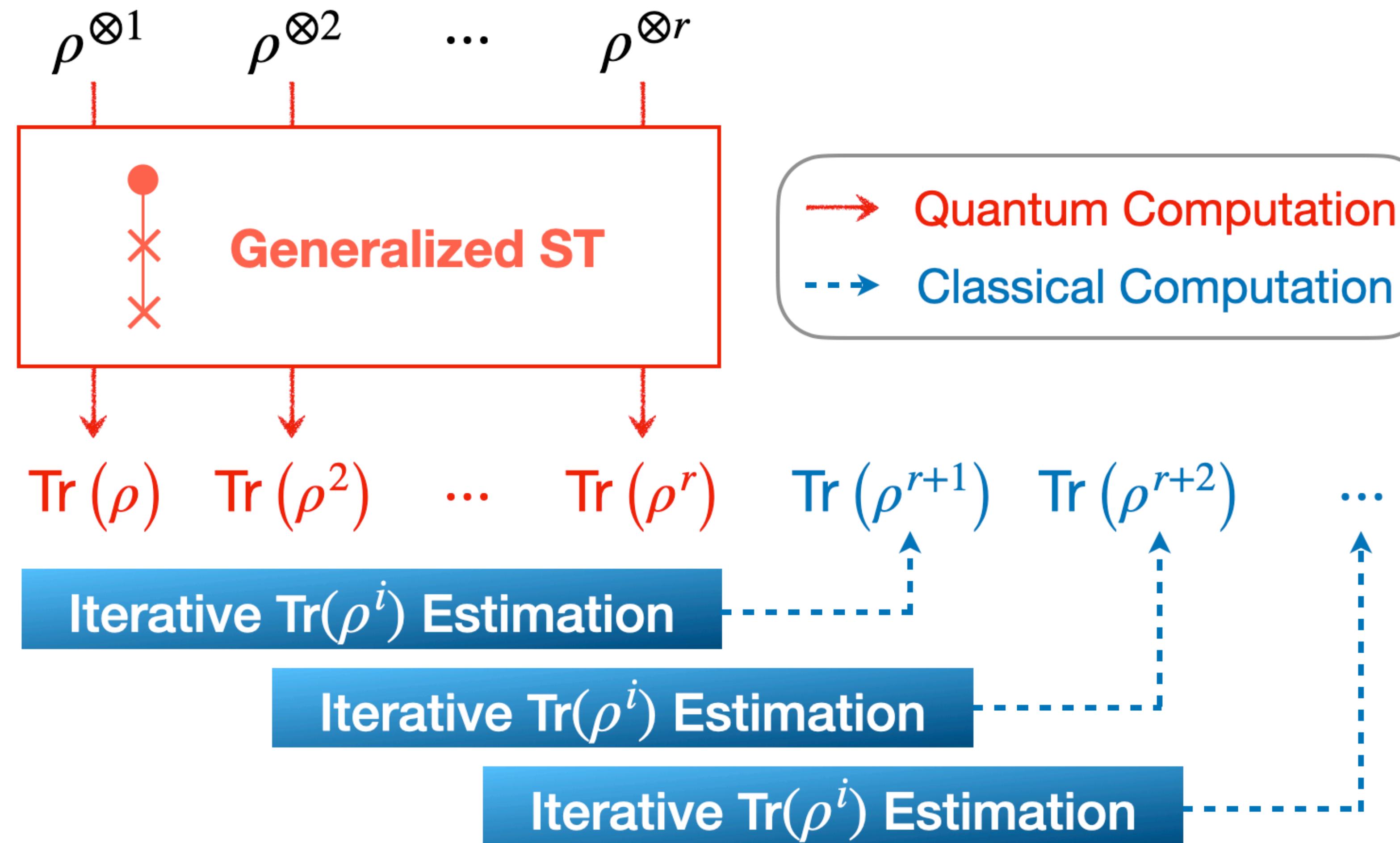
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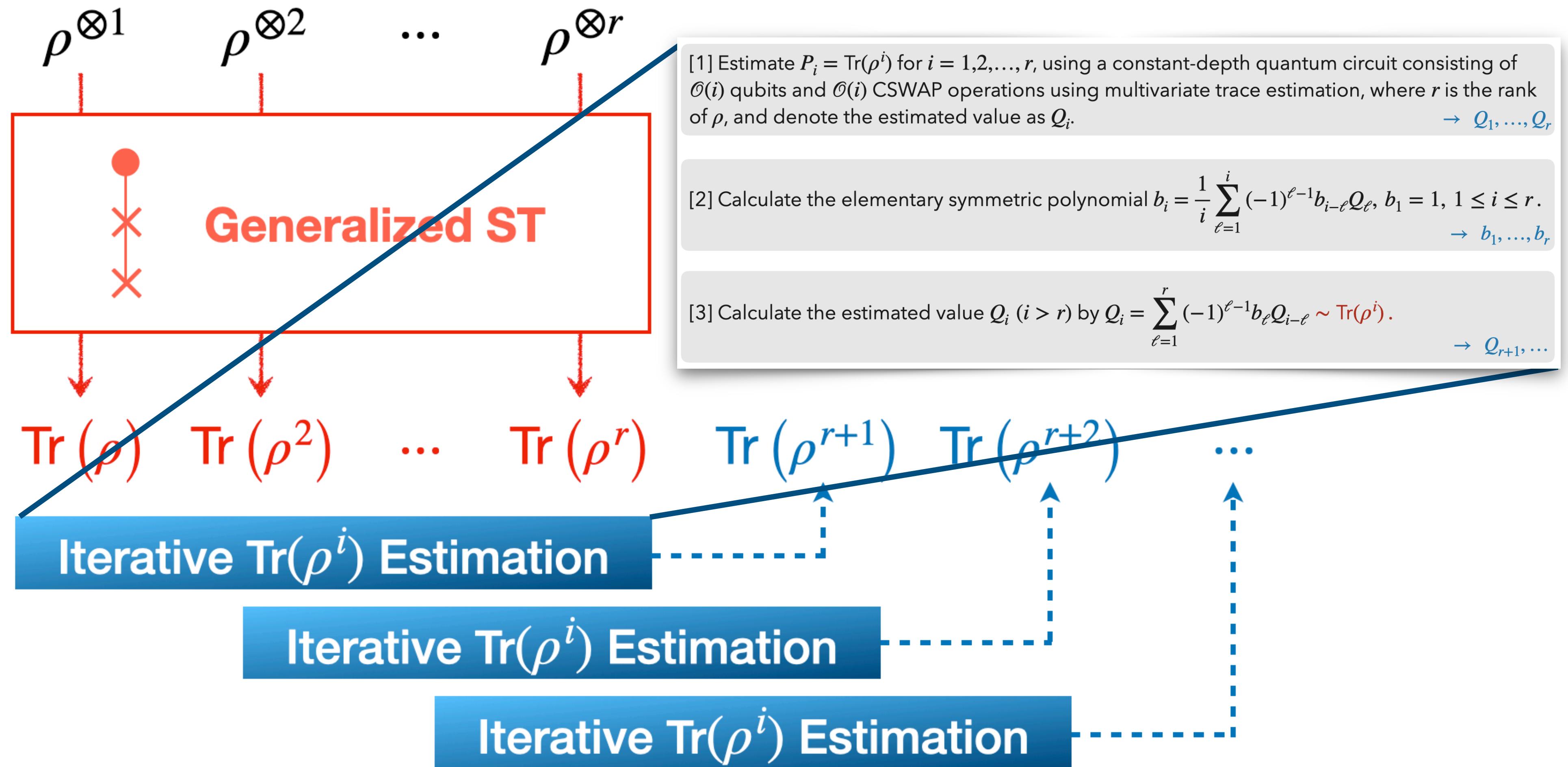
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- * Note that T scales from a constant to kr , mainly depending on the largest eigenvalue p_1 of ρ .
- * If p_1 is not close to 1 (e.g., $p_1 = 0.5$), then $T = \mathcal{O}(1)$. This implies that if ρ is far from a pure state, then T is a constant value.

Rank is all you need – Theorem 2

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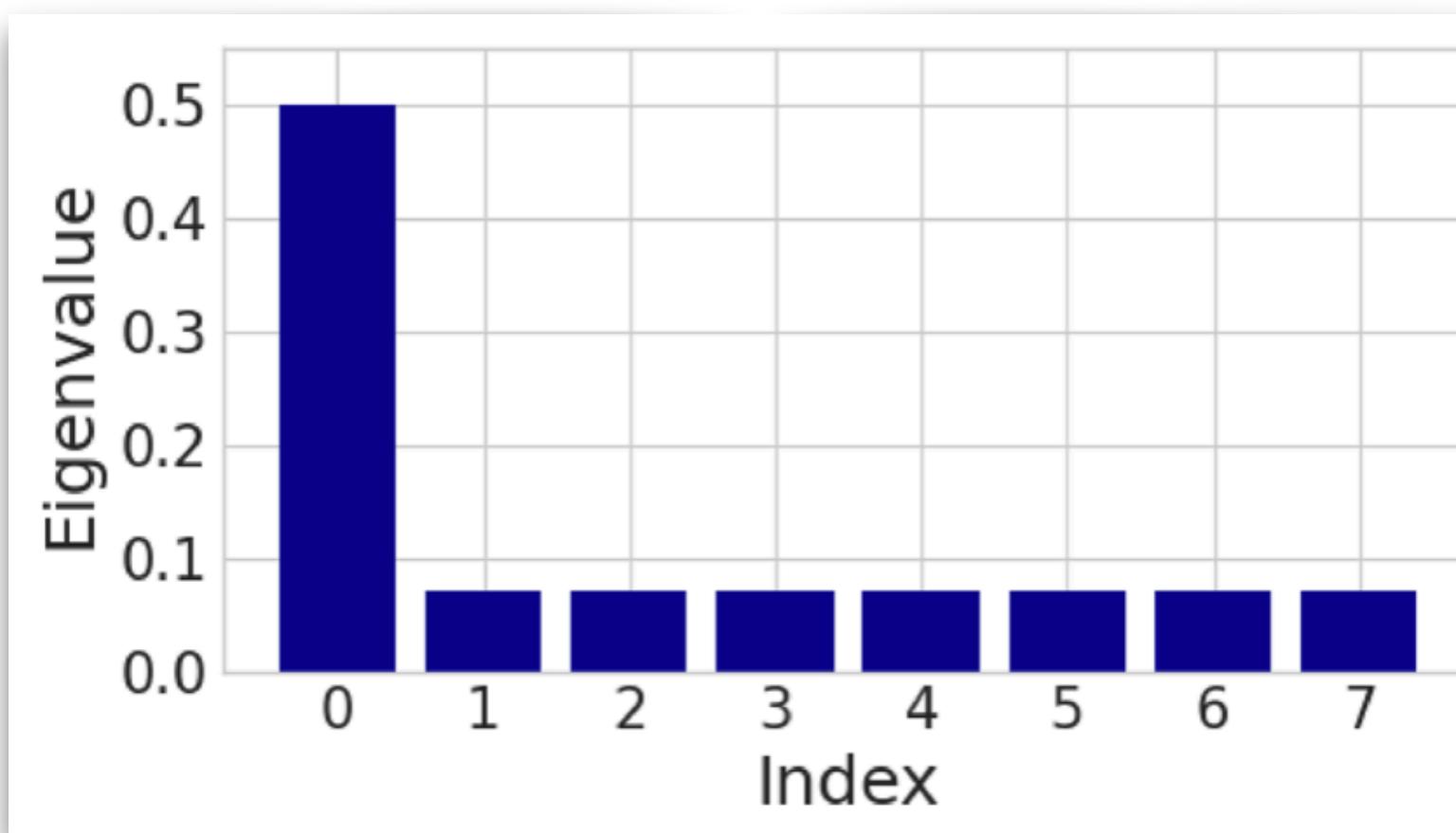
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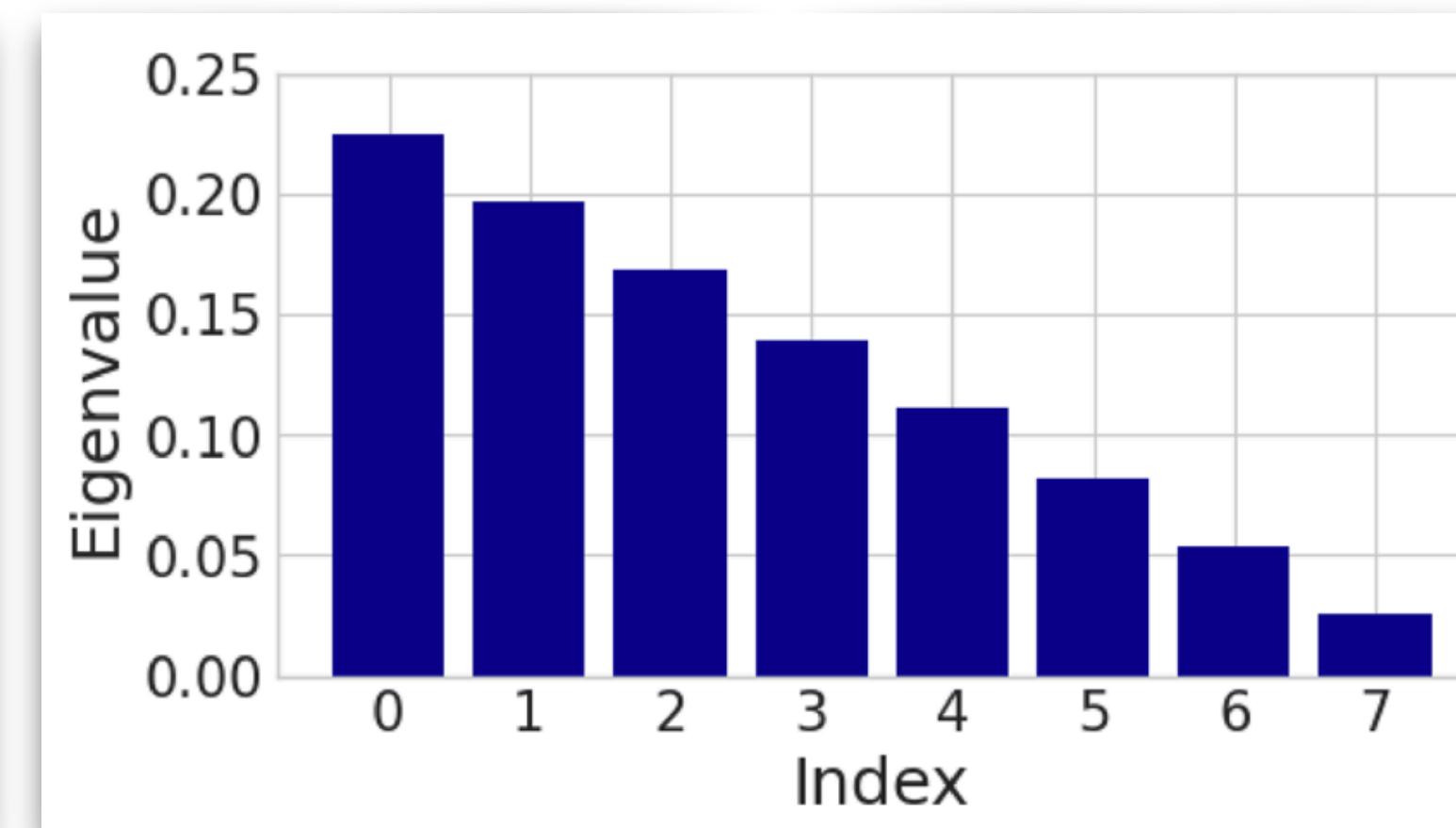
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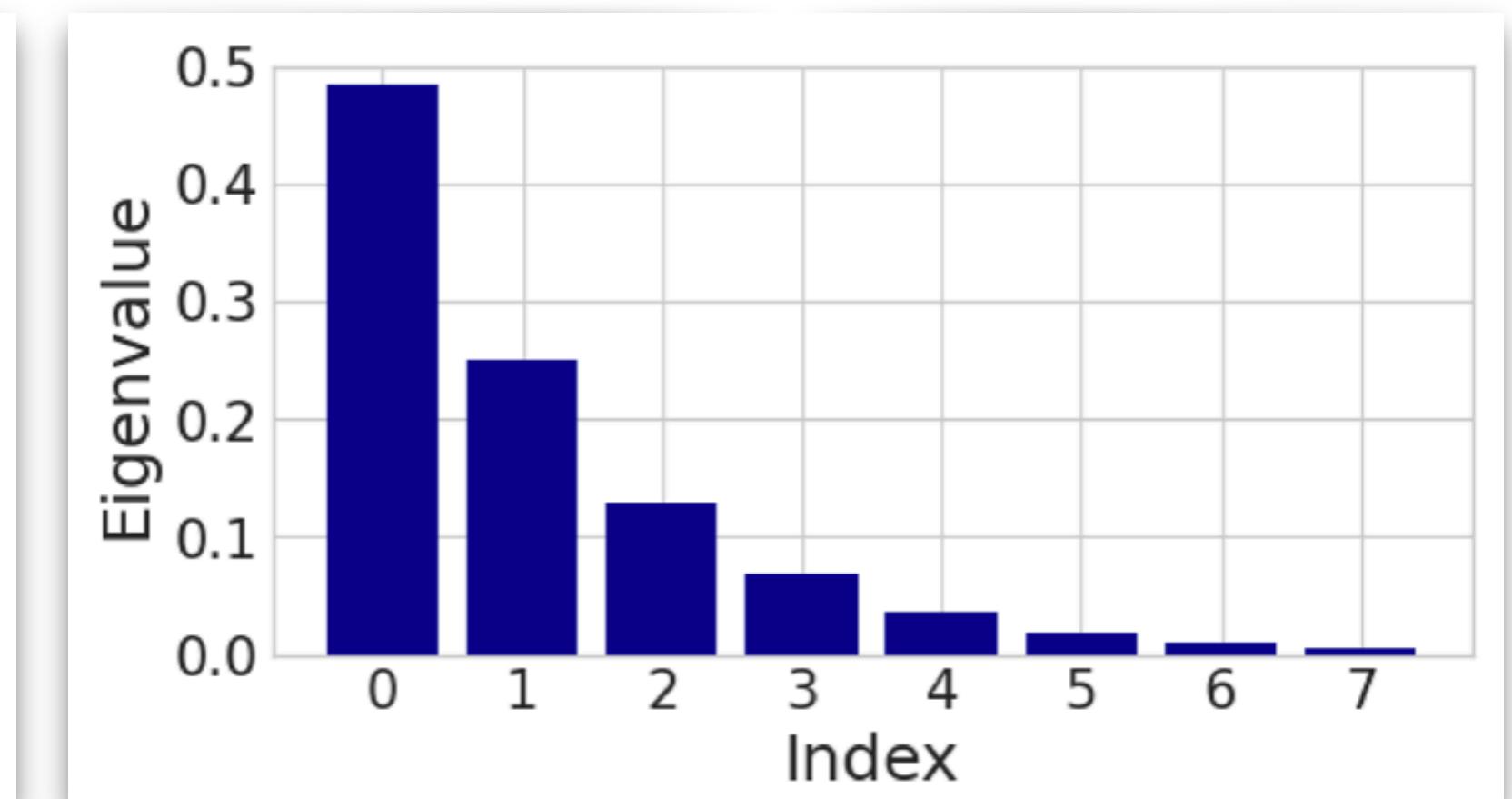
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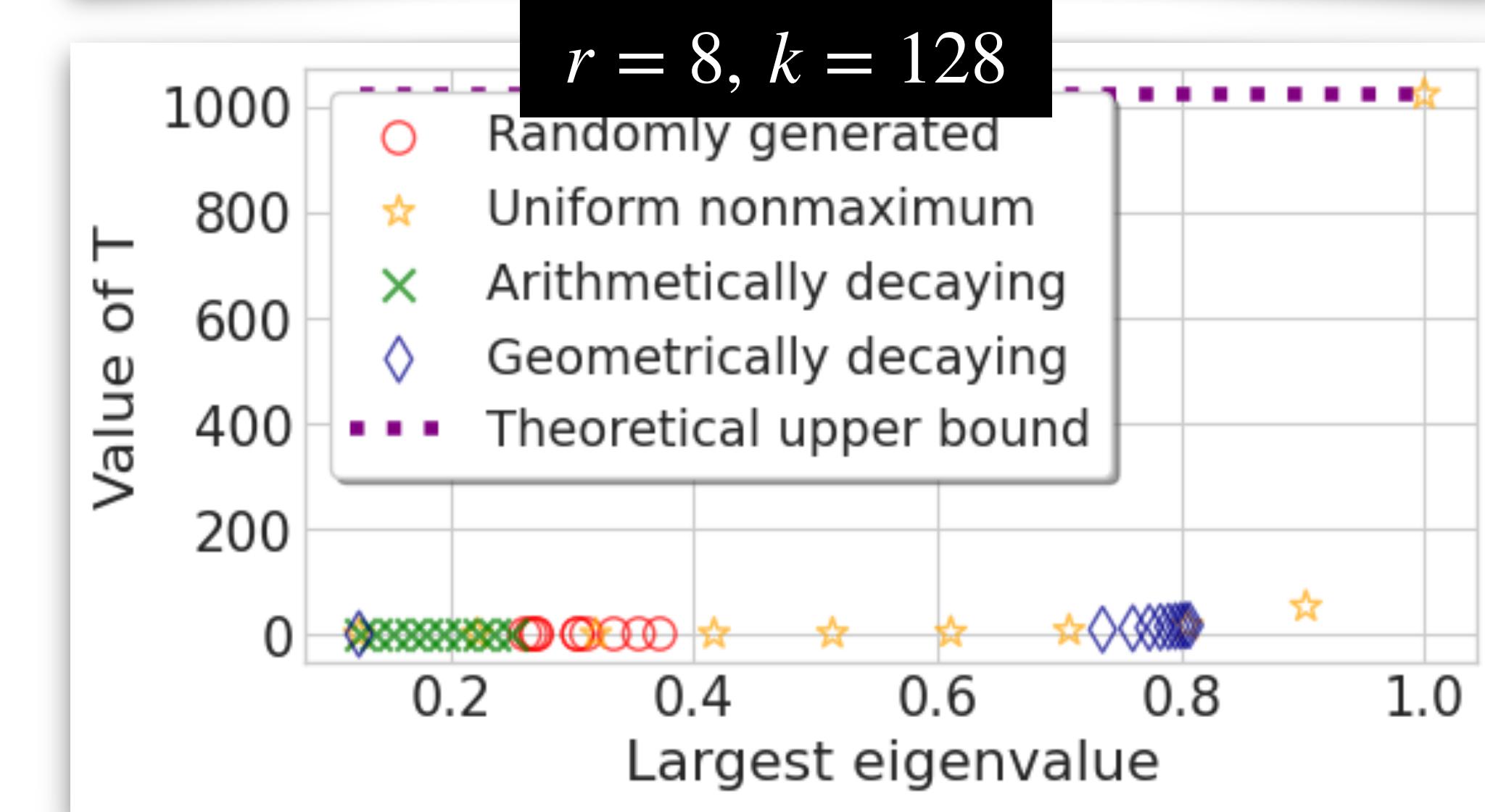
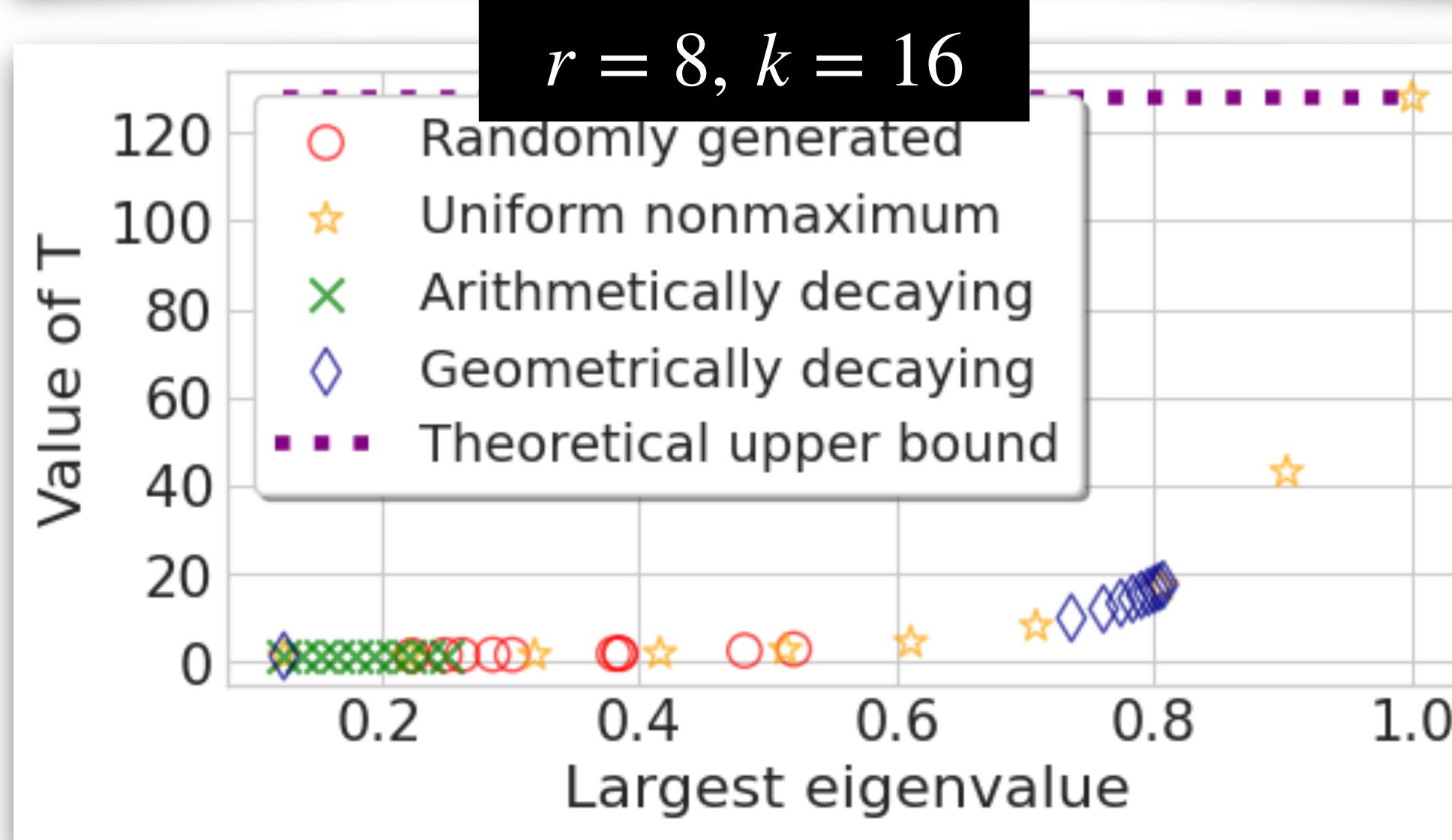
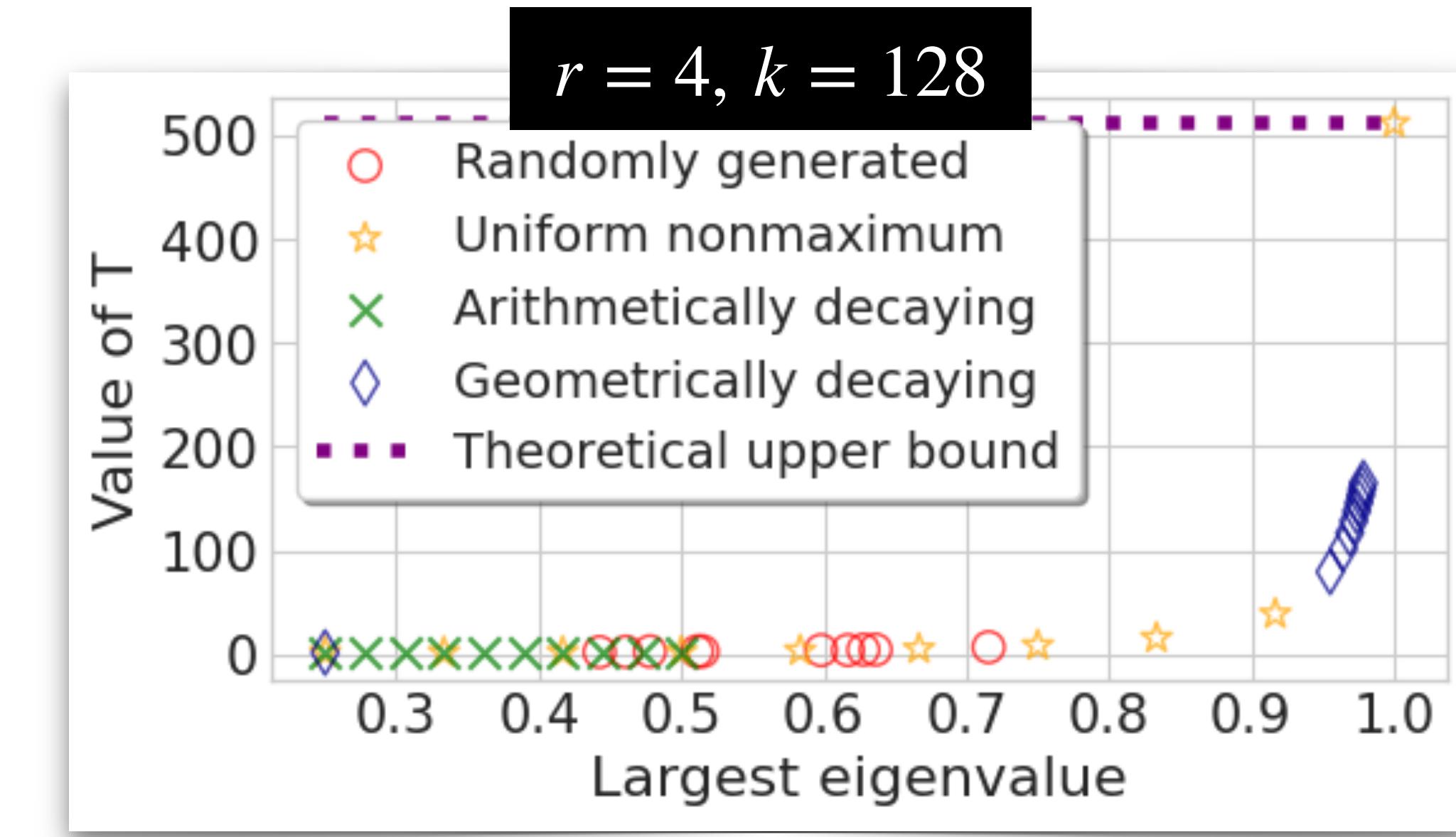
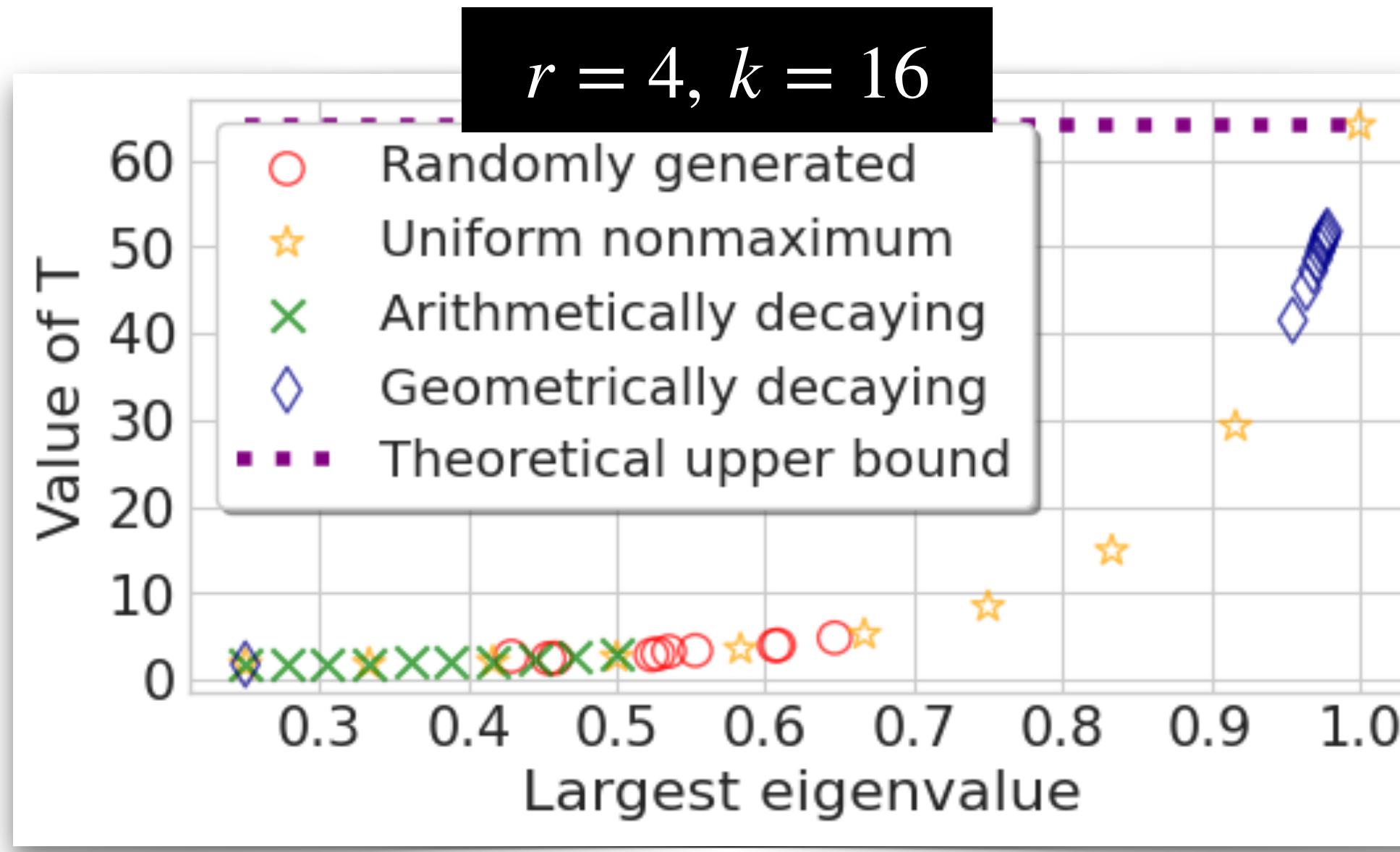


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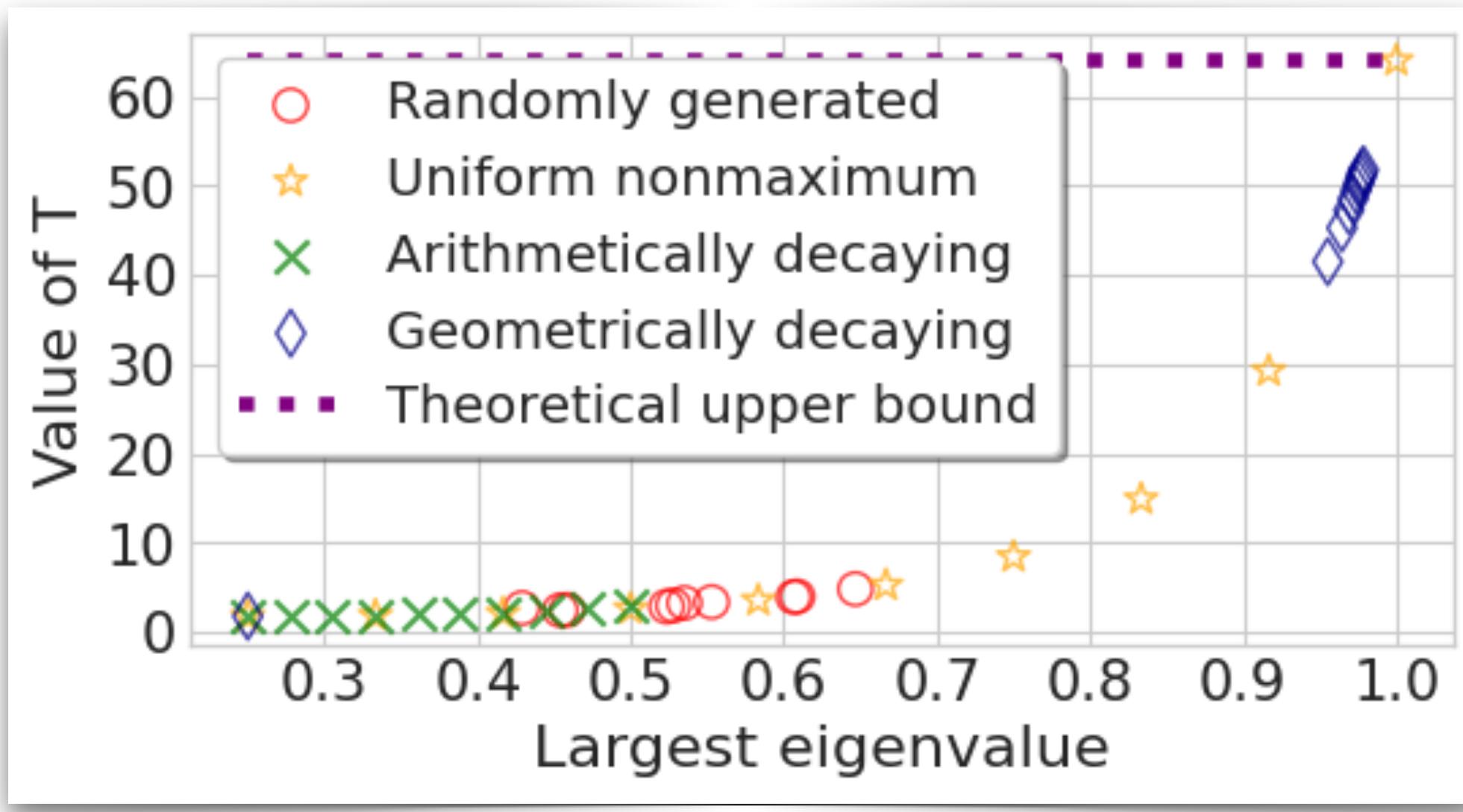


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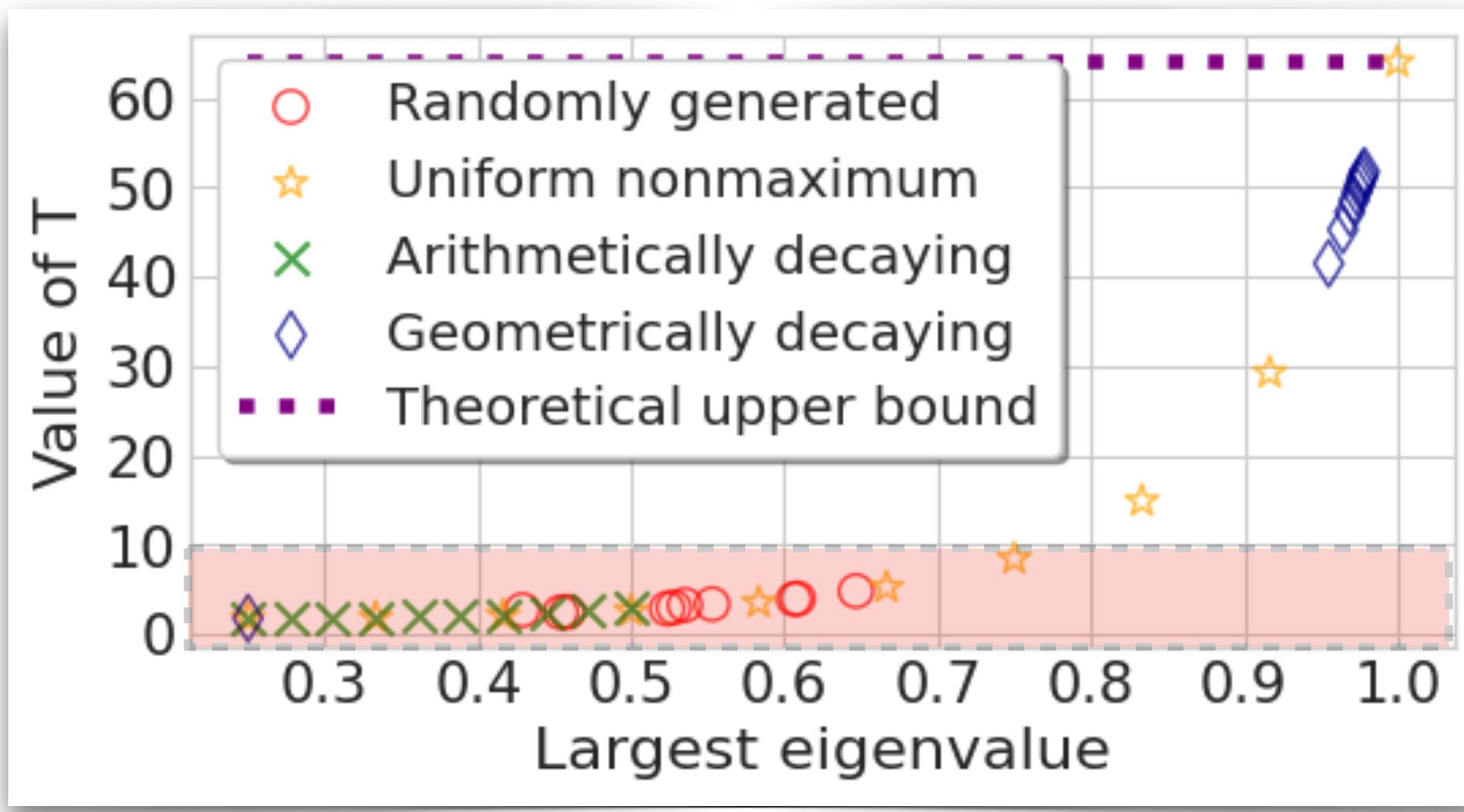


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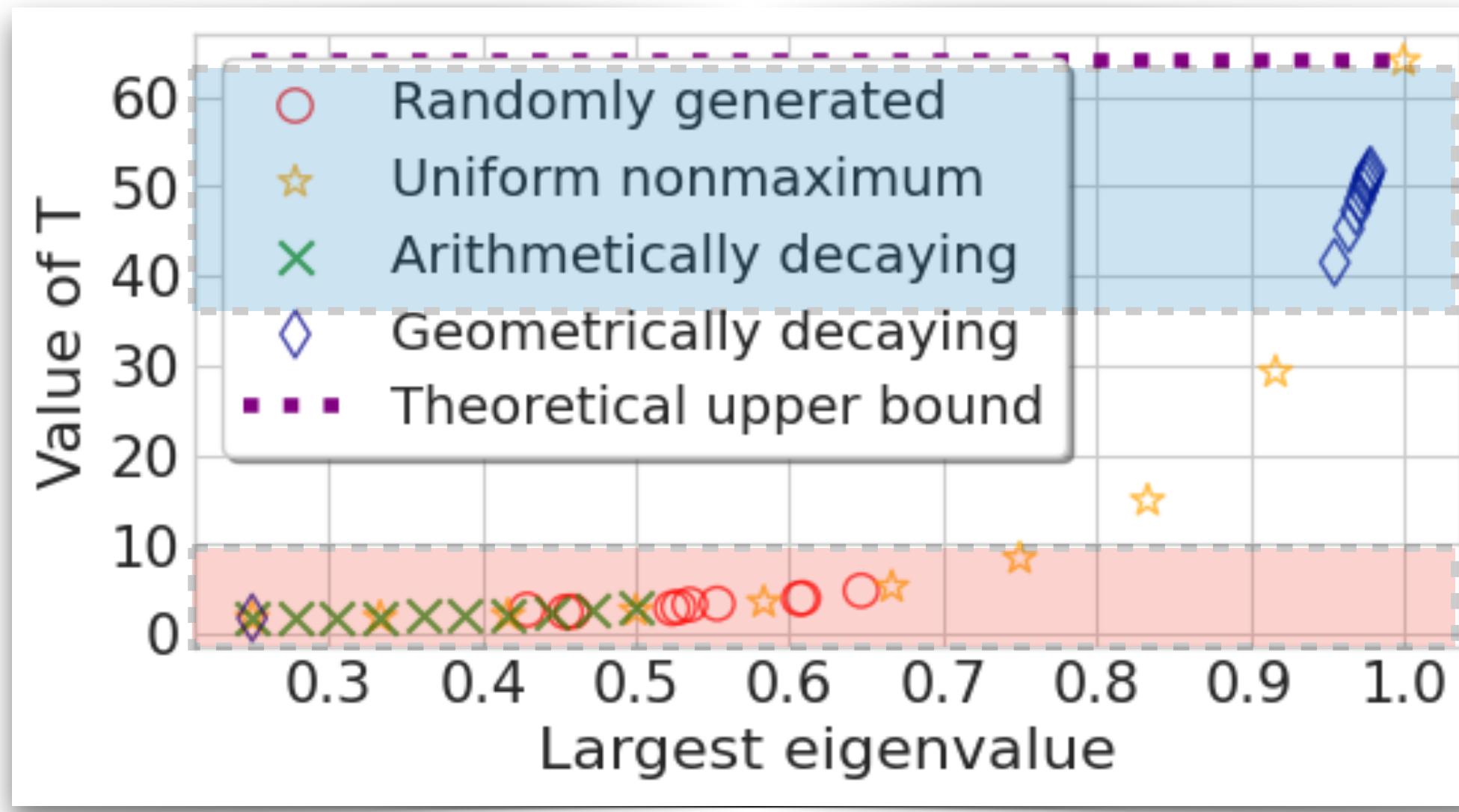
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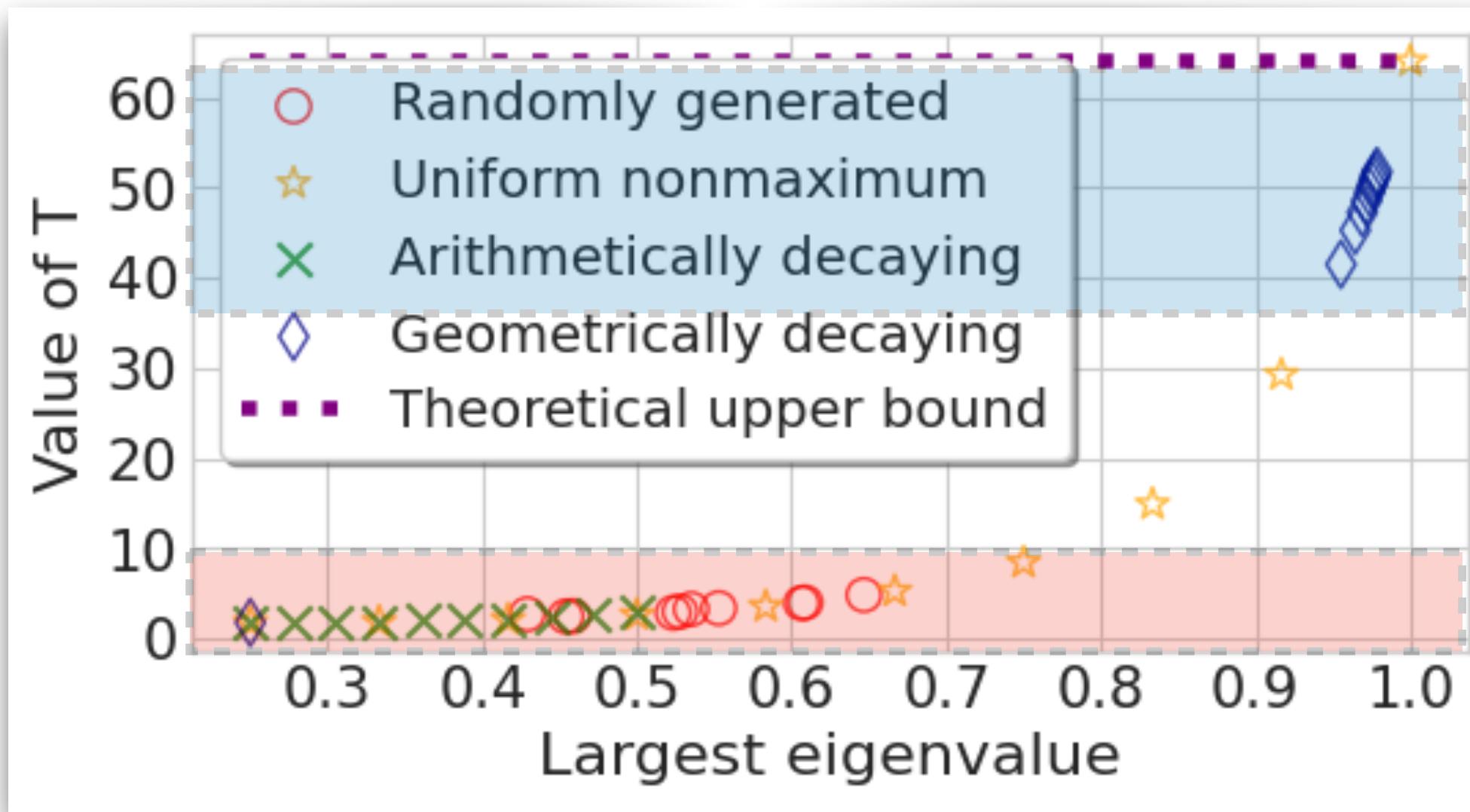


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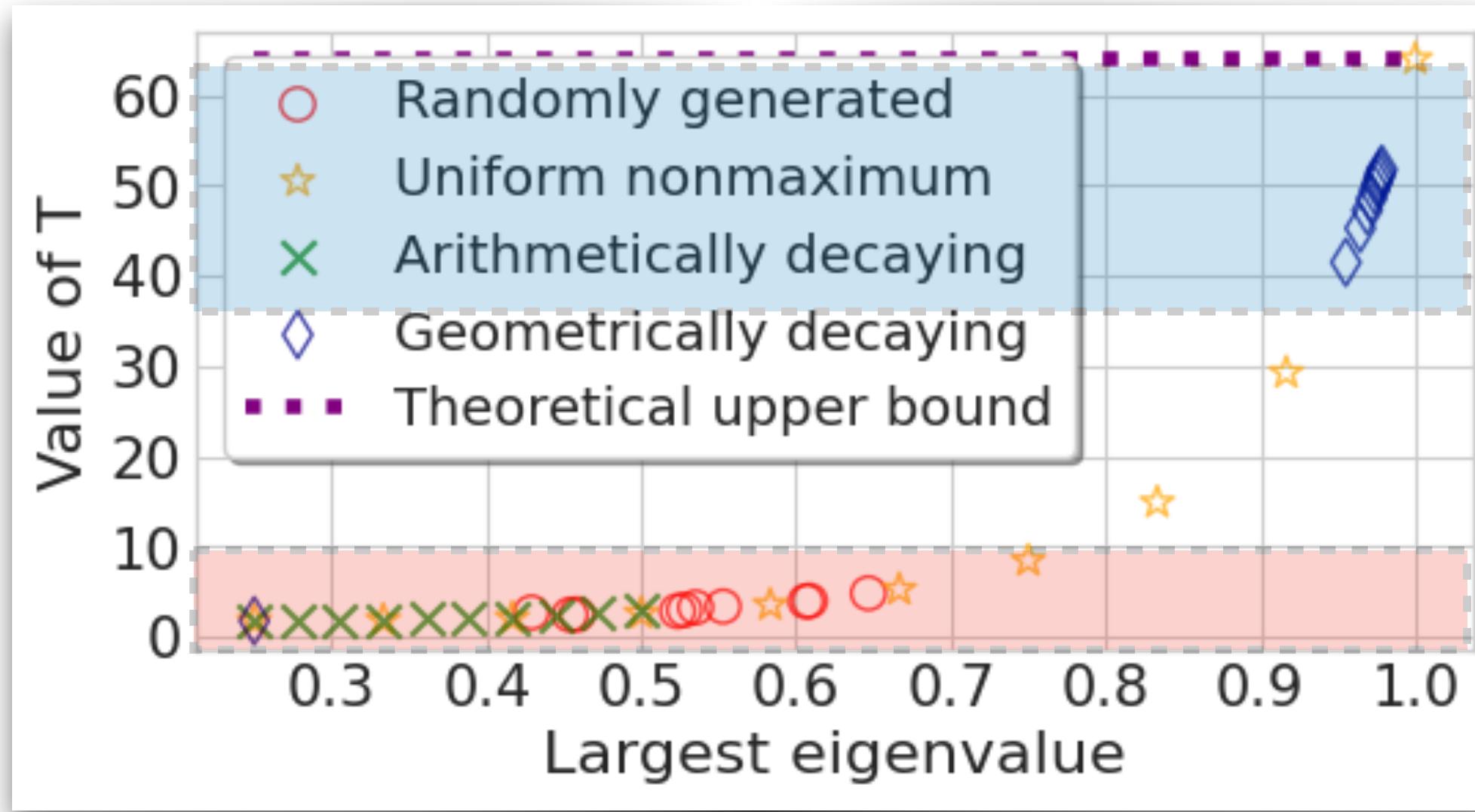
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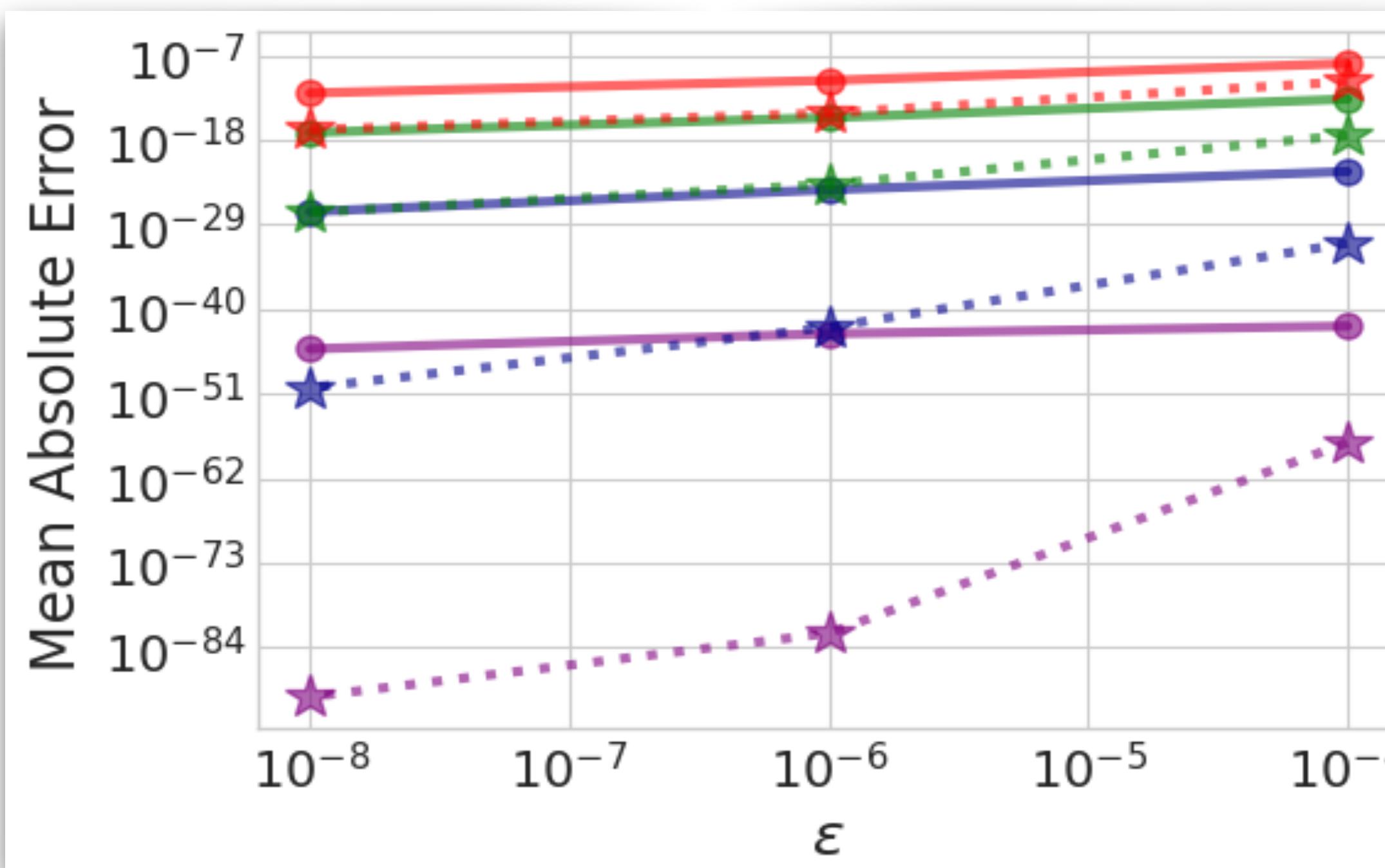
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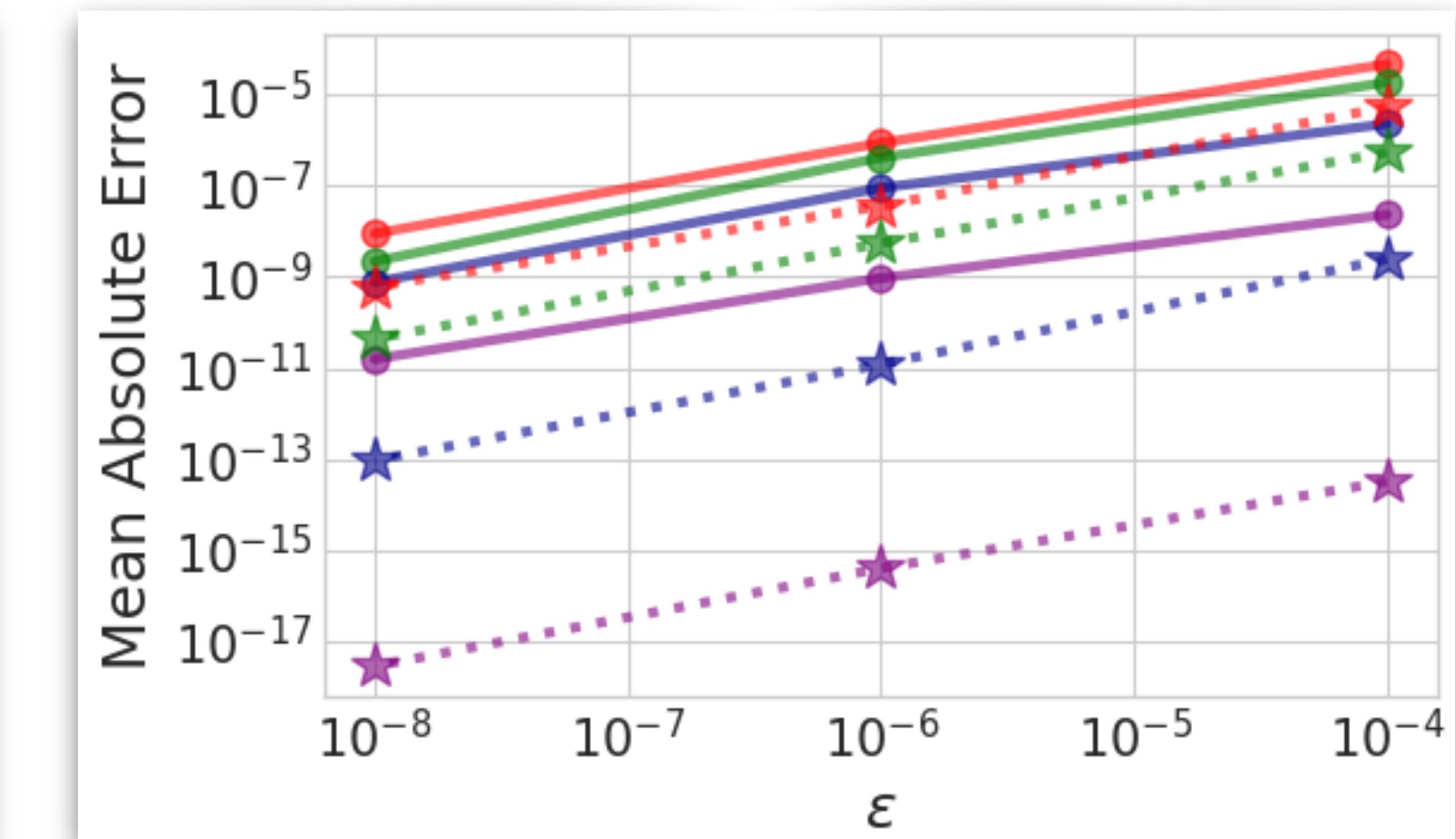
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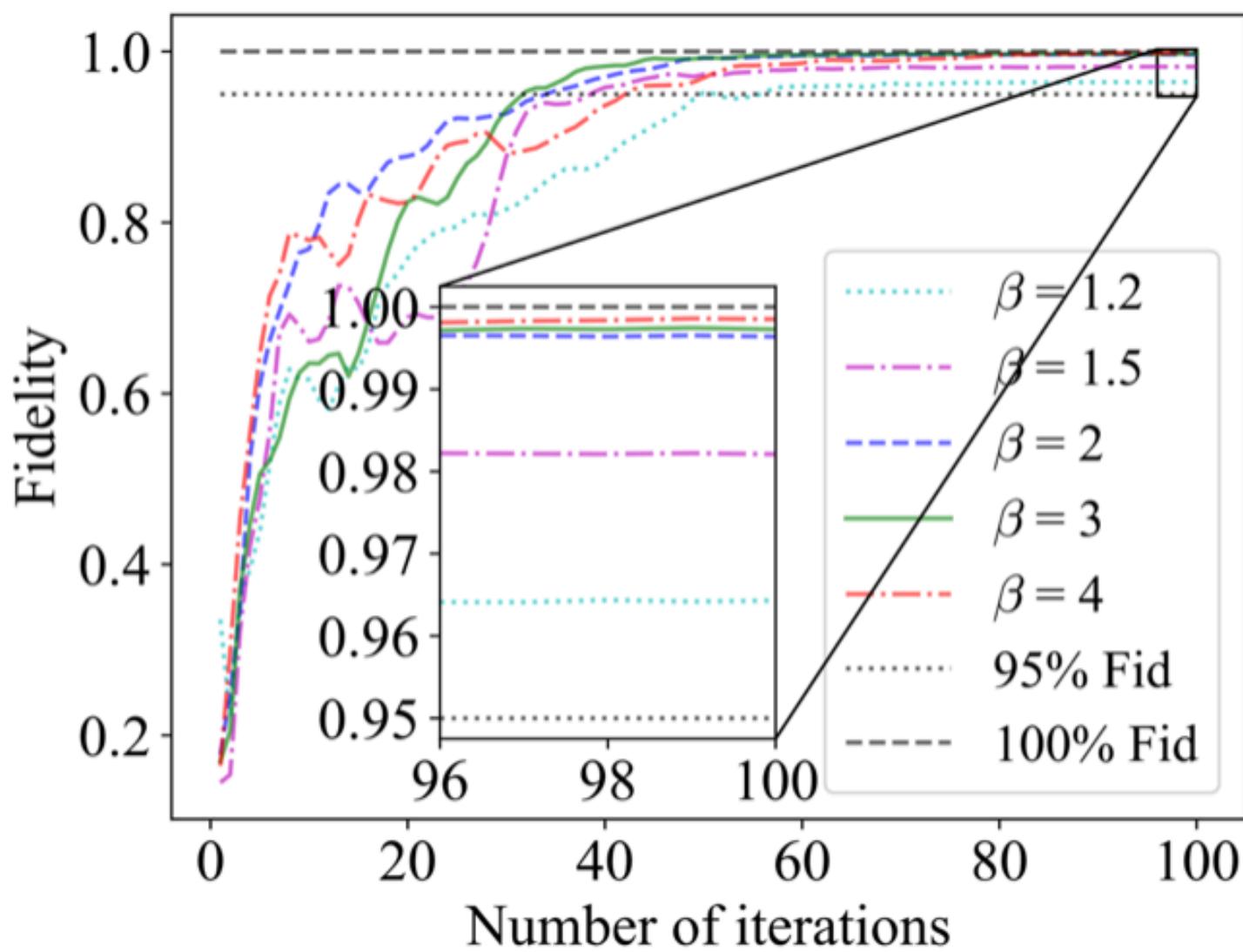
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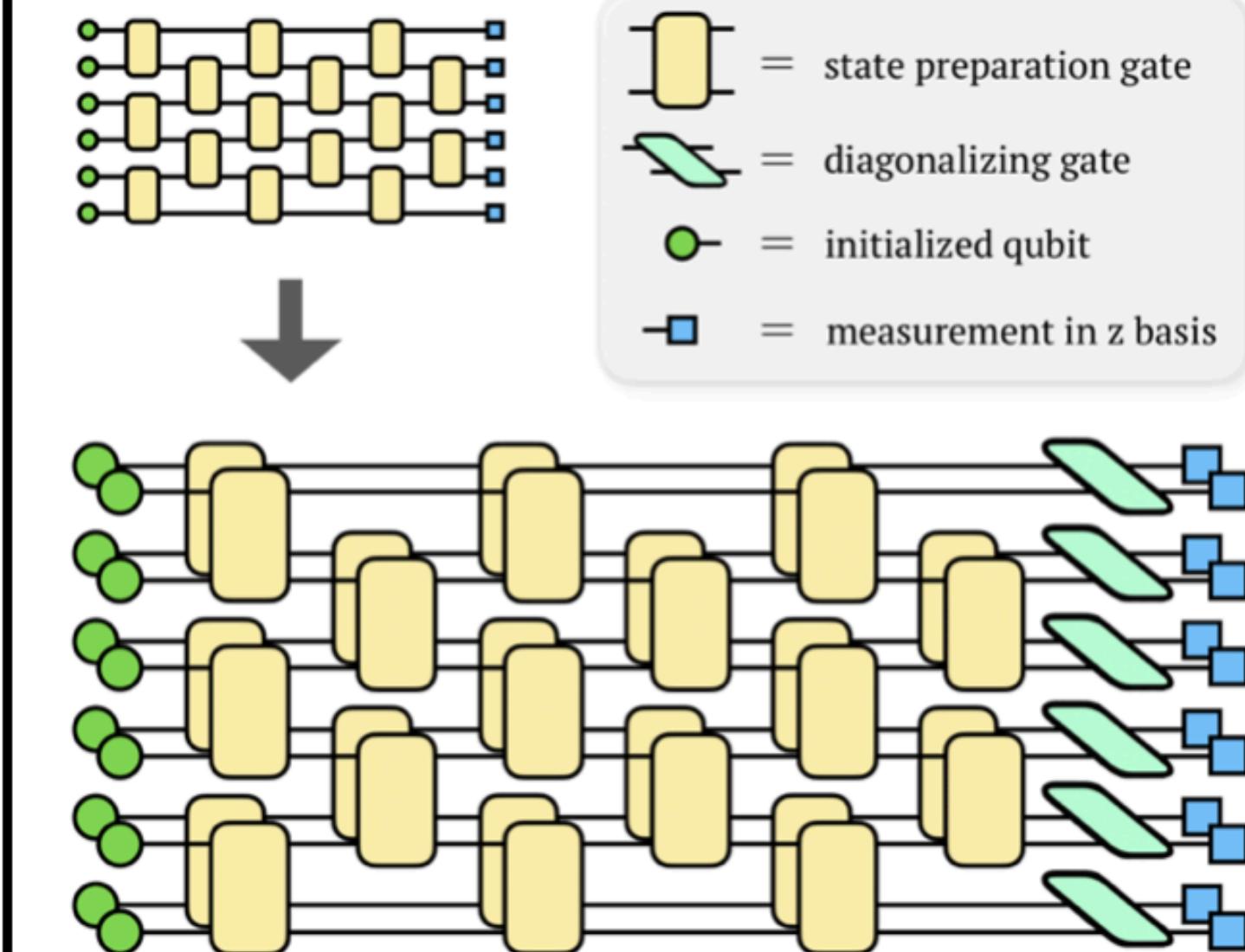
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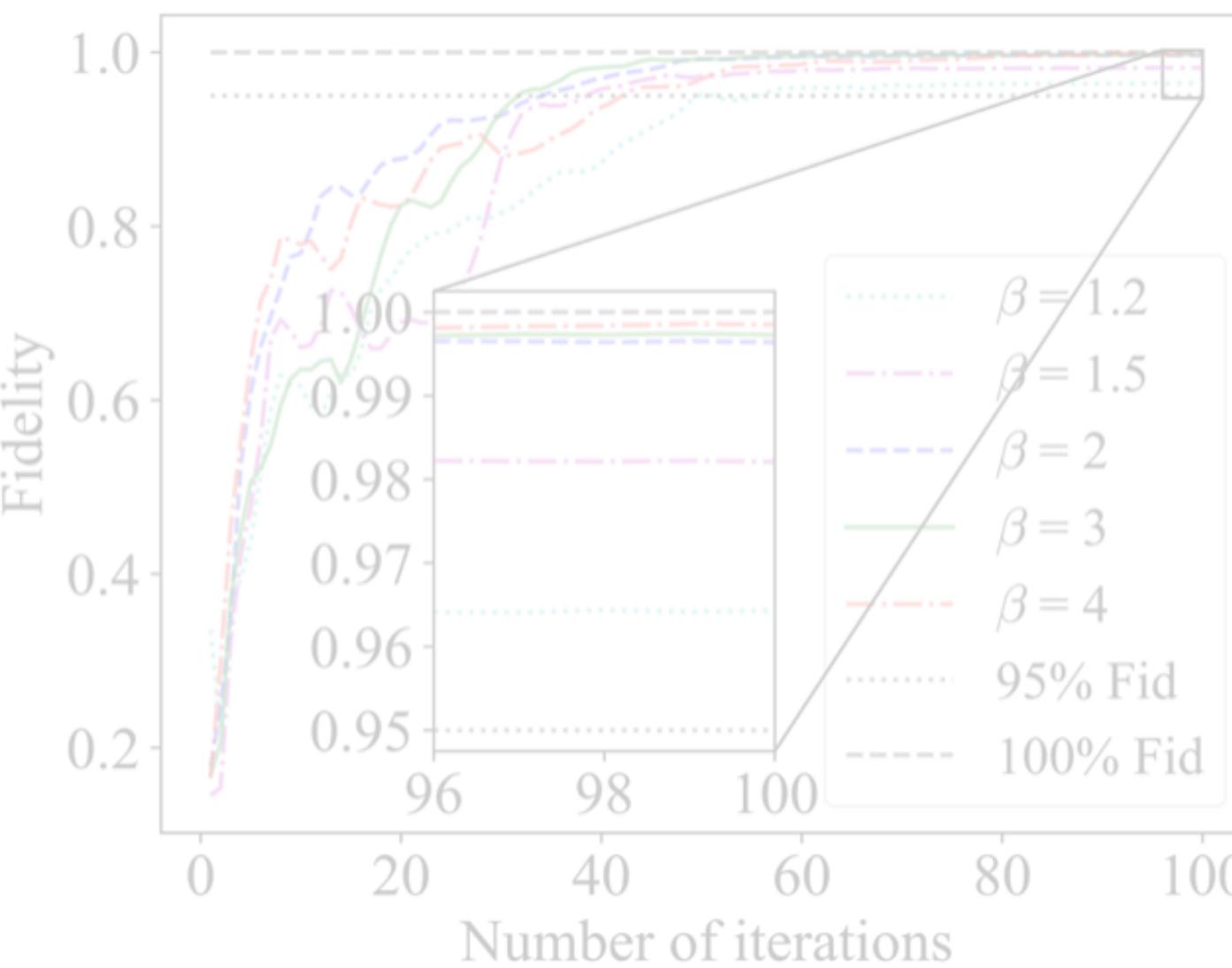
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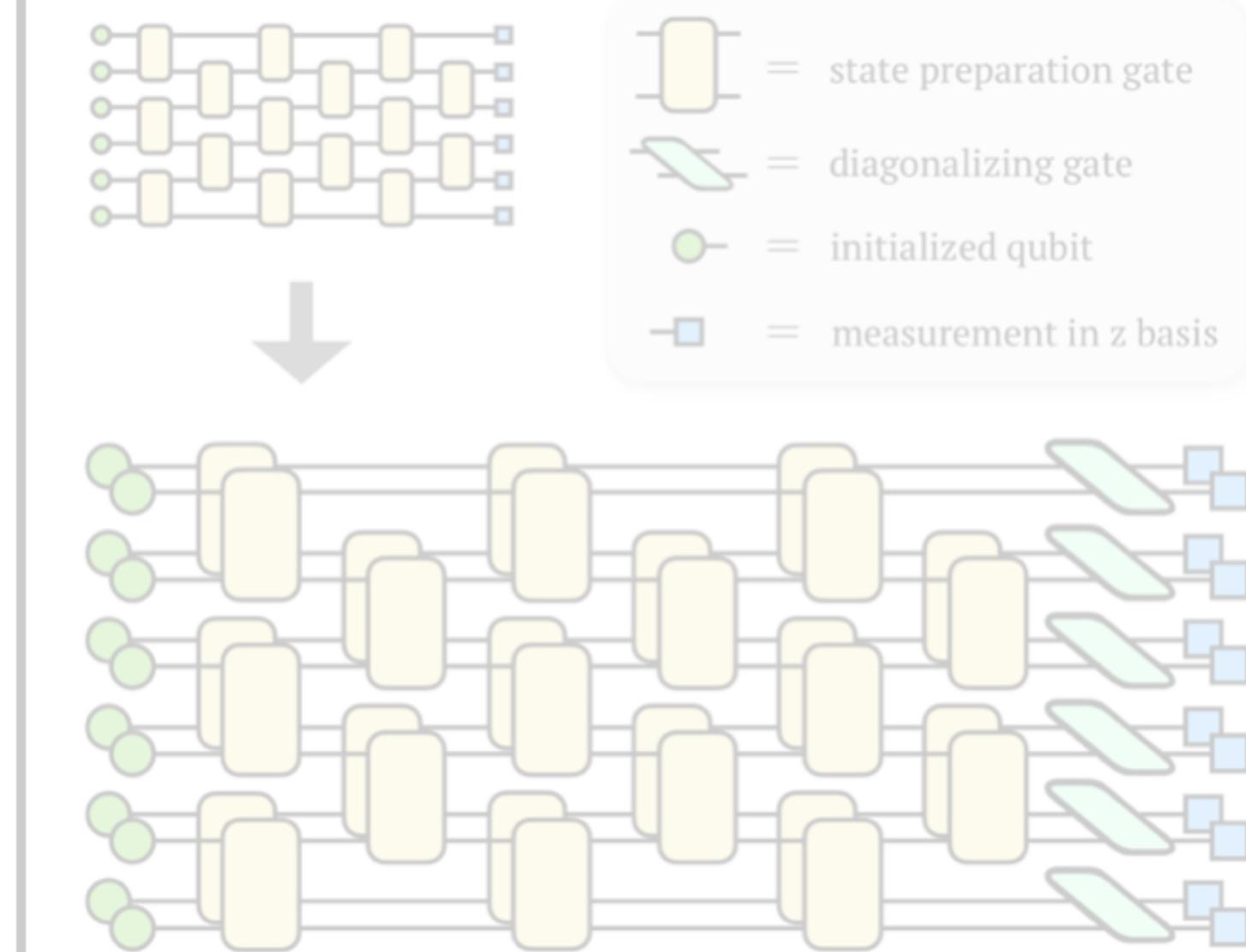
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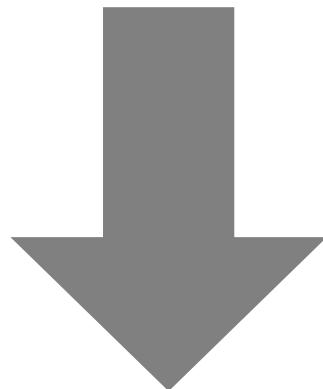
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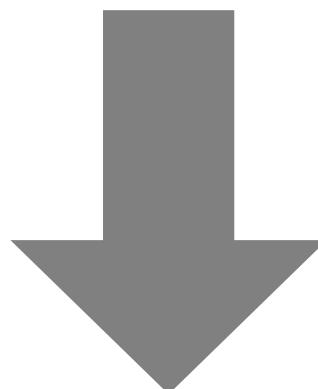


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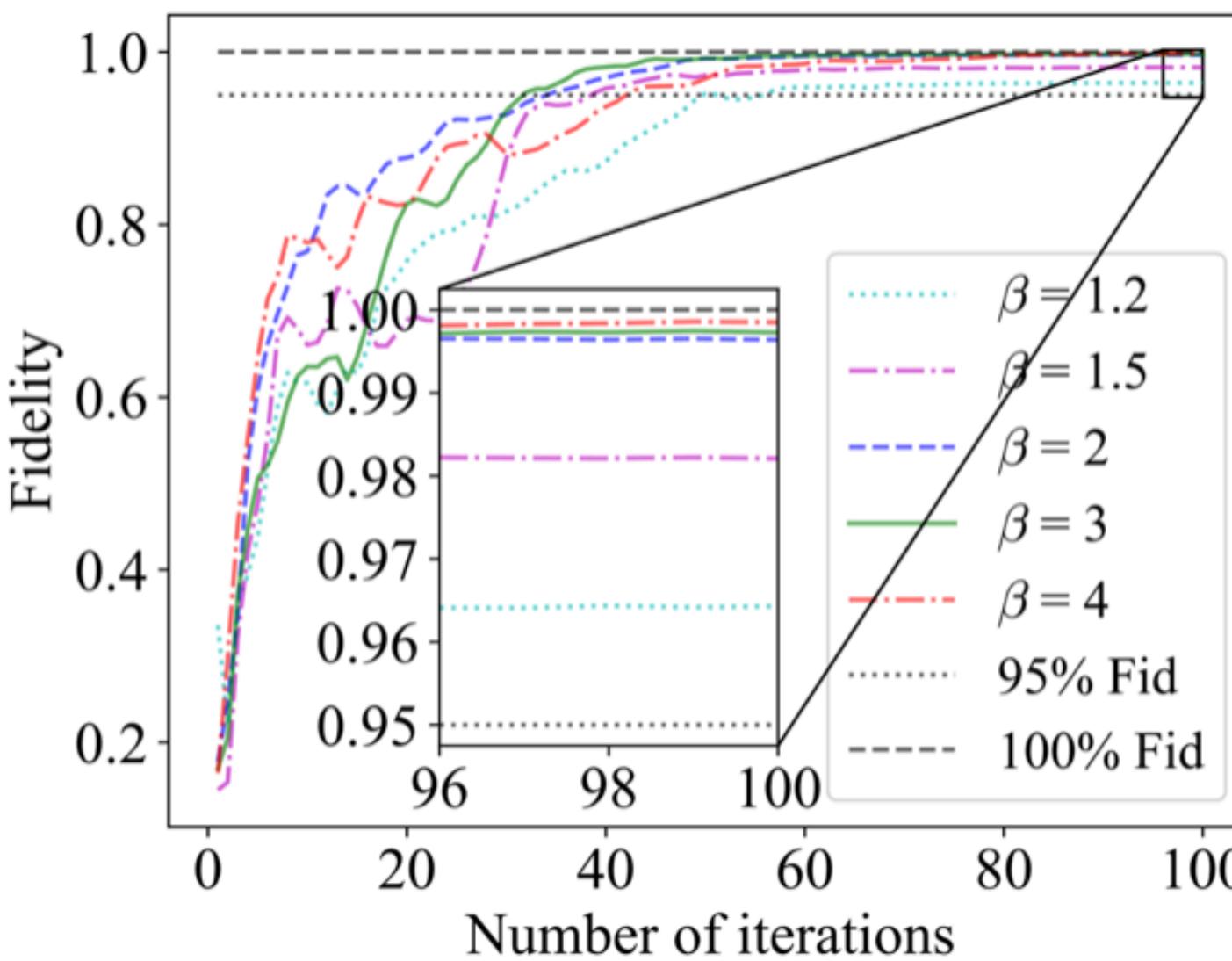
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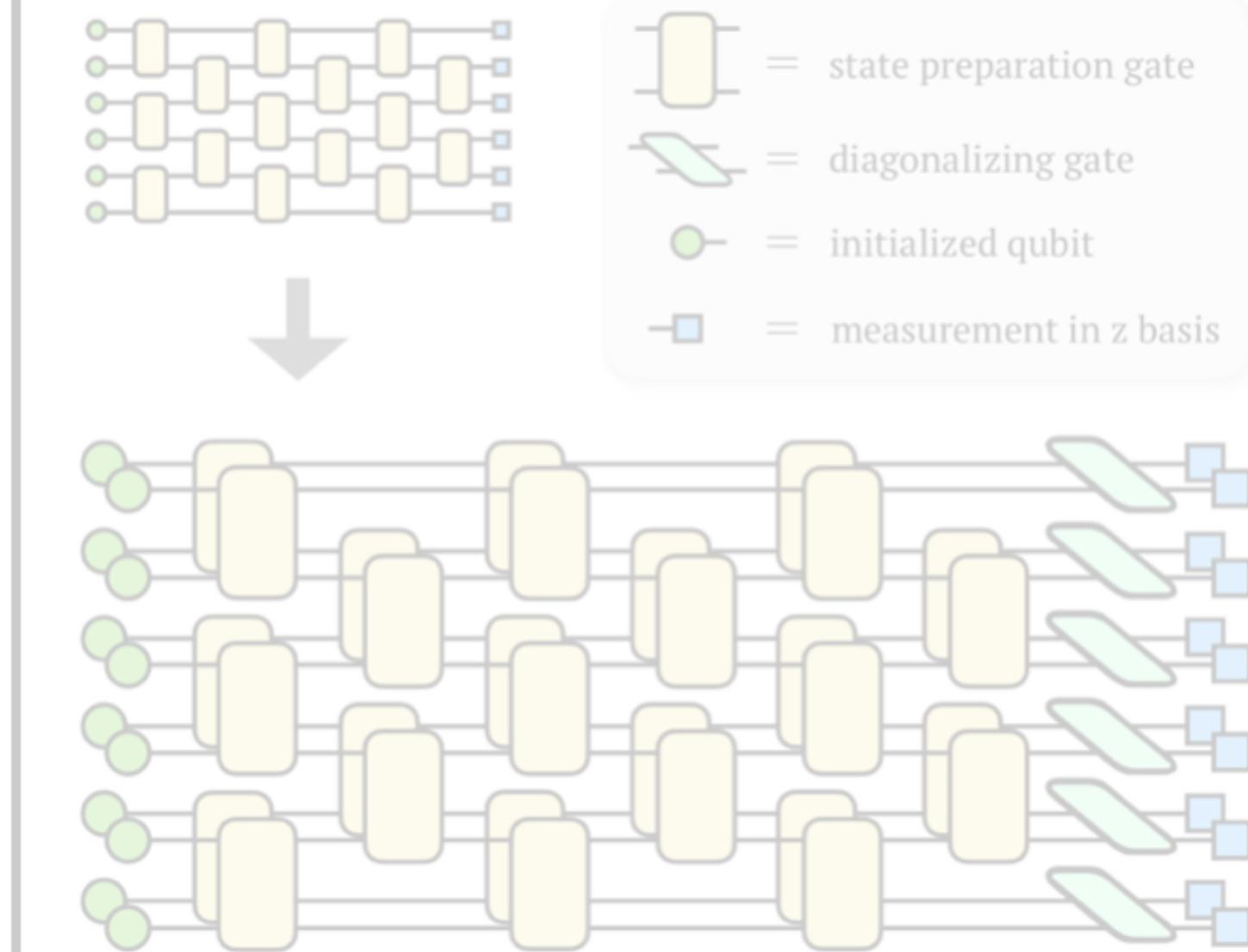
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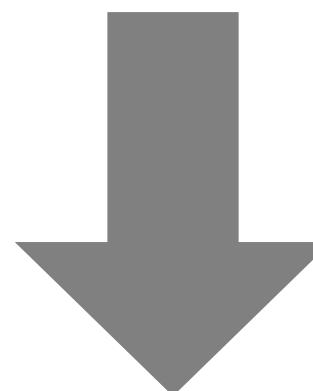
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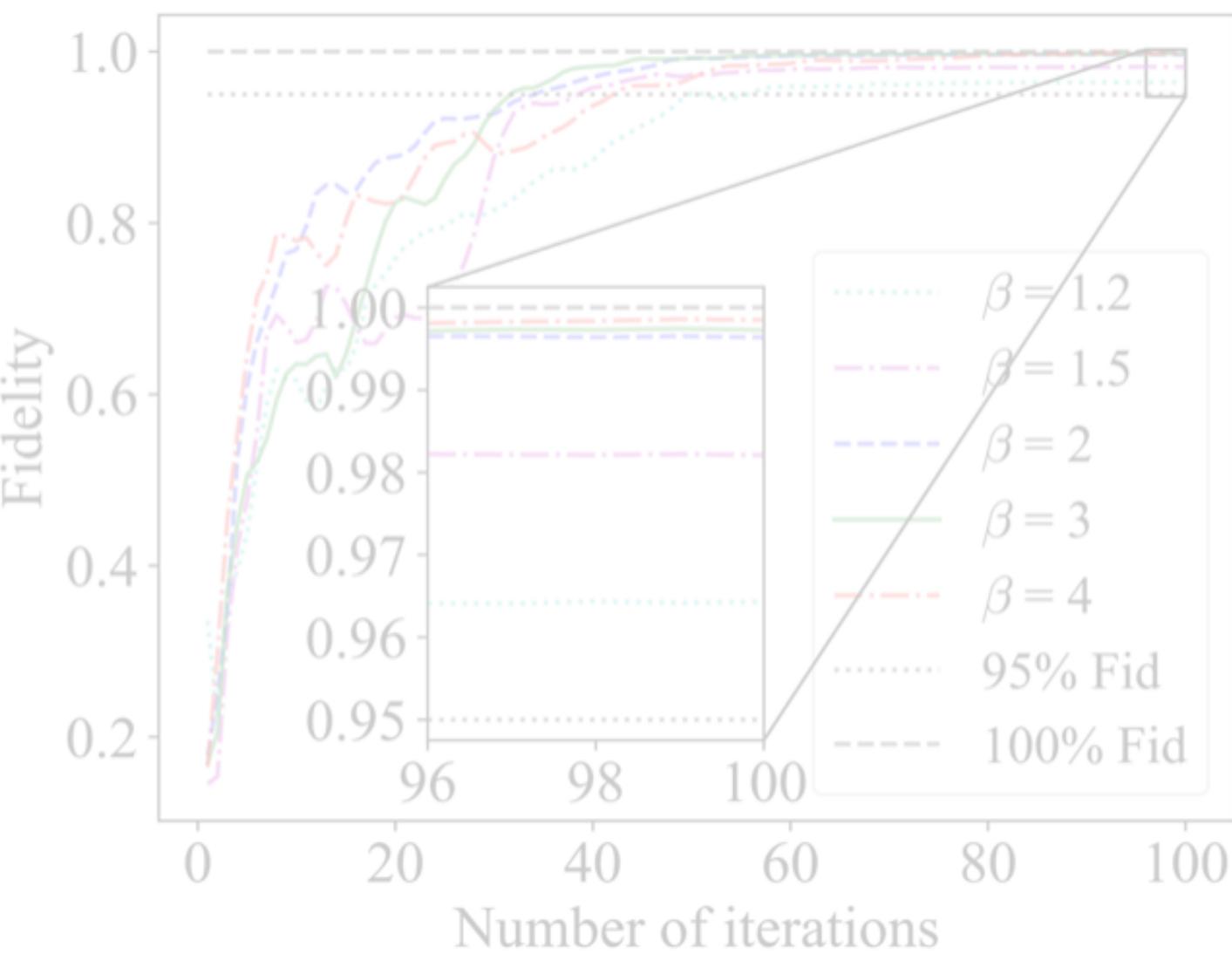
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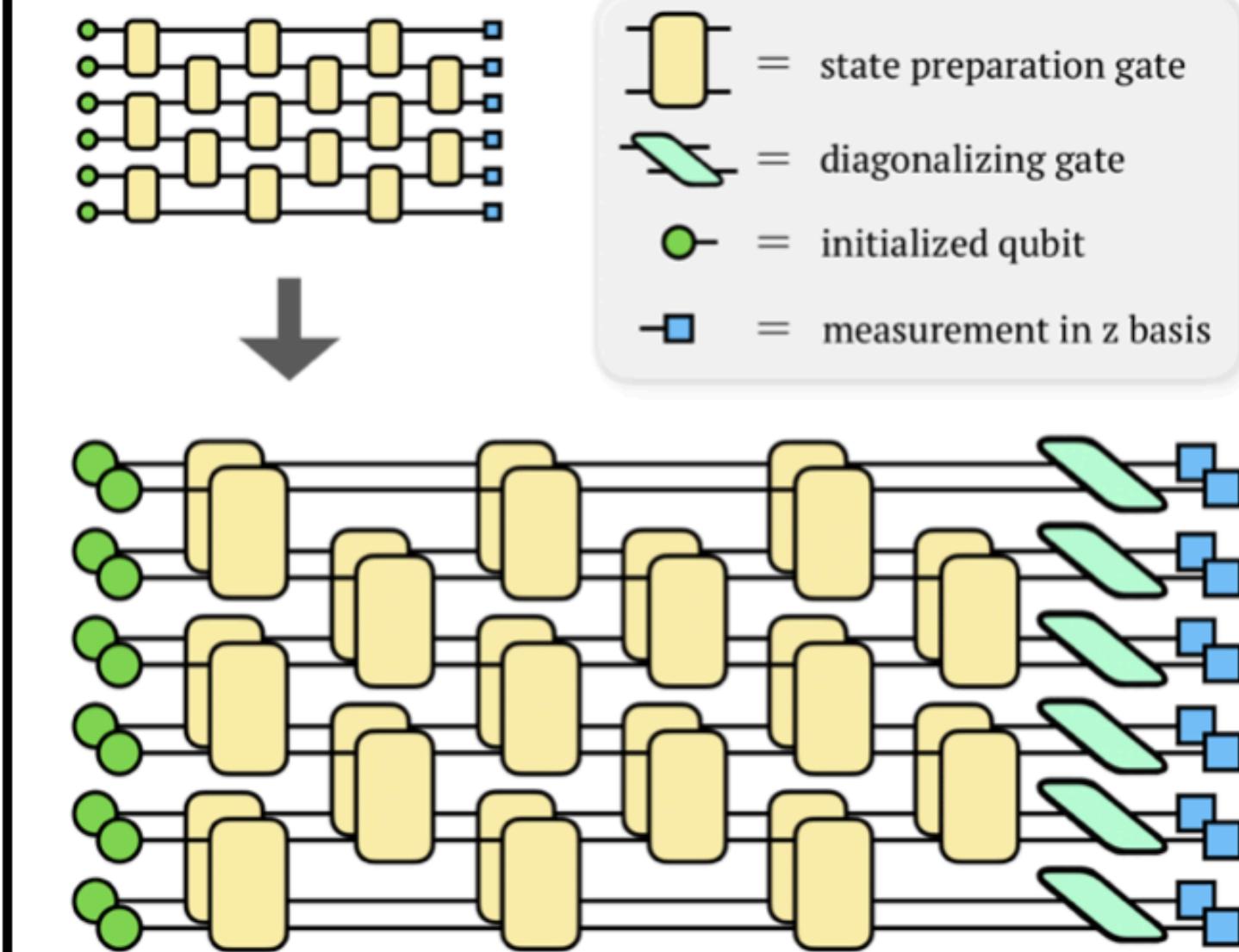
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- Our work can enhance any previous algorithms, including $\text{Tr}(\rho^k)$ and/or $\text{Tr}(M\rho^k)$.
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- Our method also provides advantages in copy complexity when estimating the trace of large powers **with low-rank states or sufficiently mixed states**.

Future work

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- **More about the effectiveness of our “*rank is all you need*” scheme.**

Thank you for listening!

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