

# How Can We Use Quantum Systems To Learn?

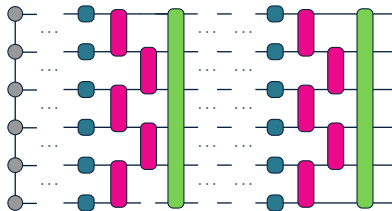
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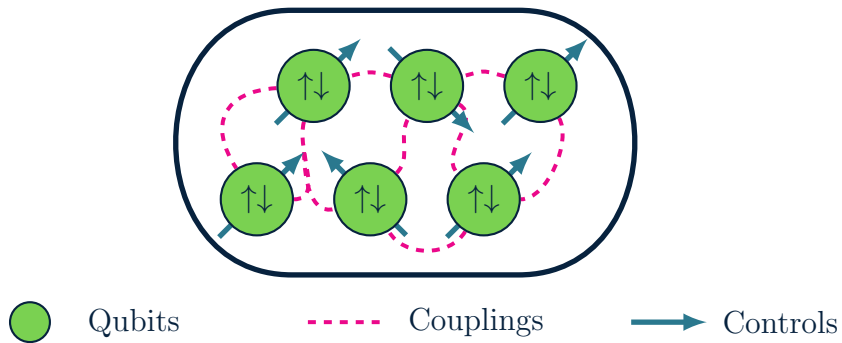


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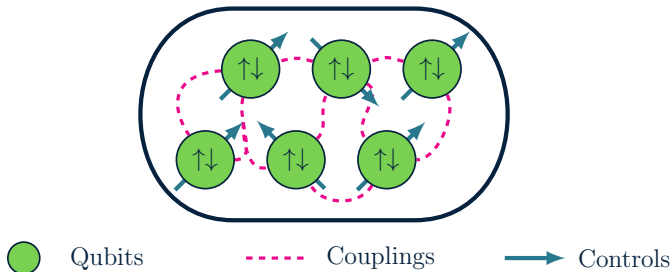
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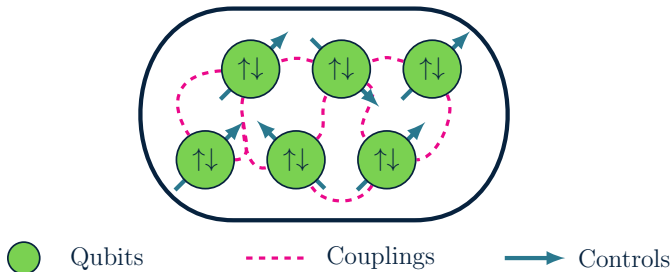
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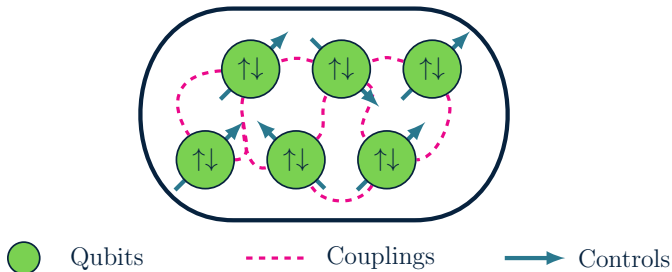
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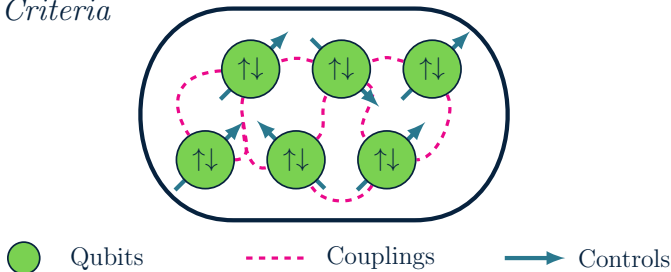


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i.e) Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, Trapped Ions, Neutral Atoms:

*DiVincenzo Criteria*



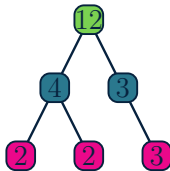


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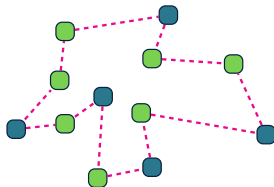
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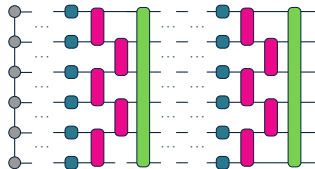
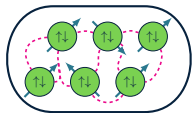
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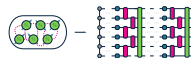
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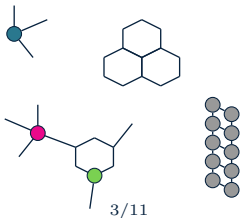
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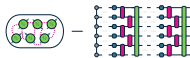
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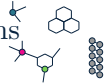
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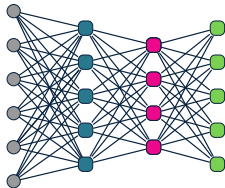
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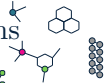
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- What makes quantum systems *potentially better* than classical systems?

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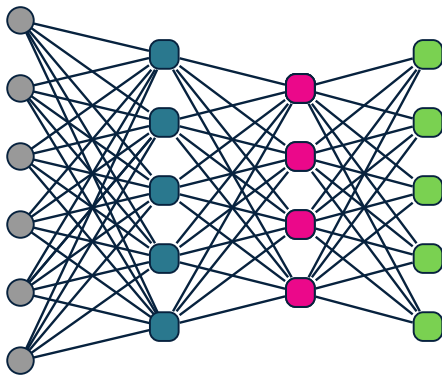
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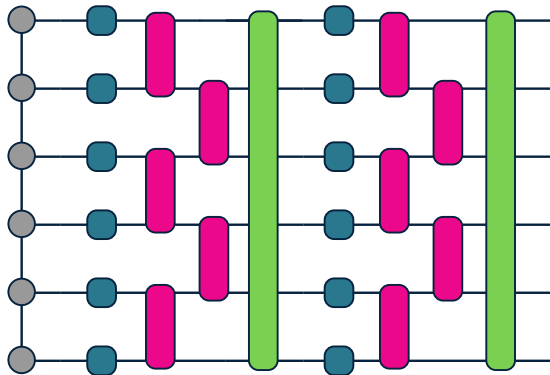
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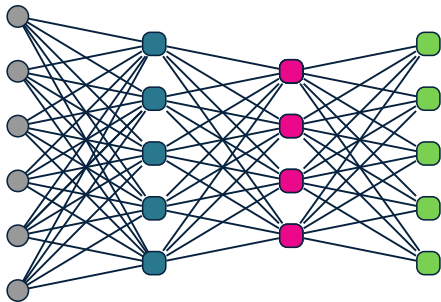
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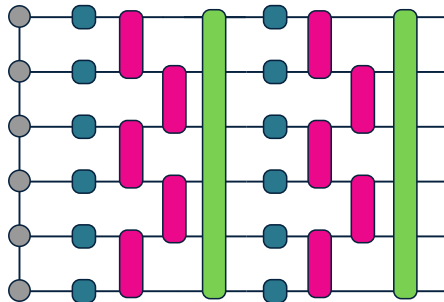


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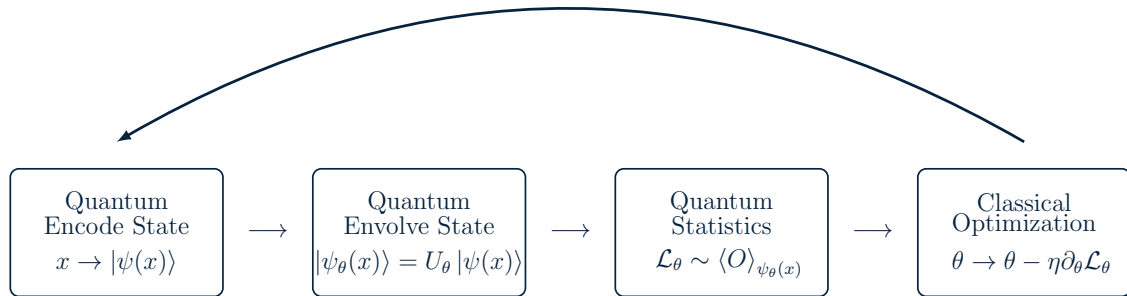


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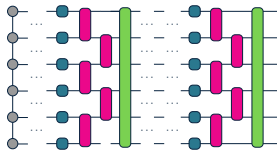
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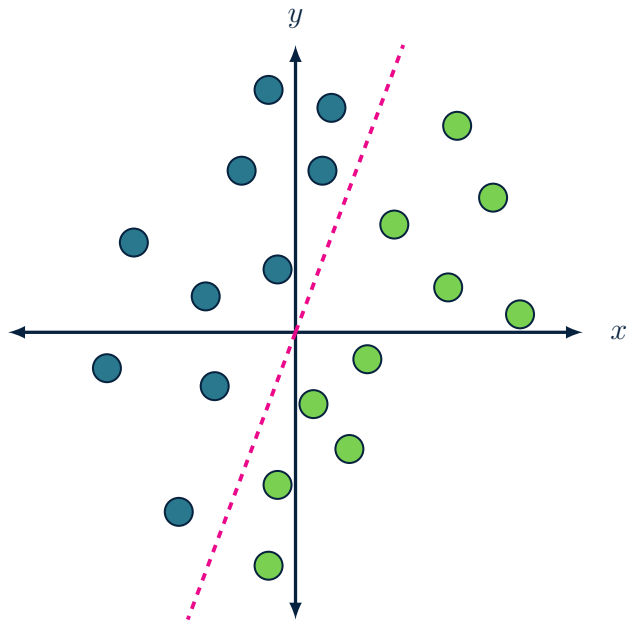
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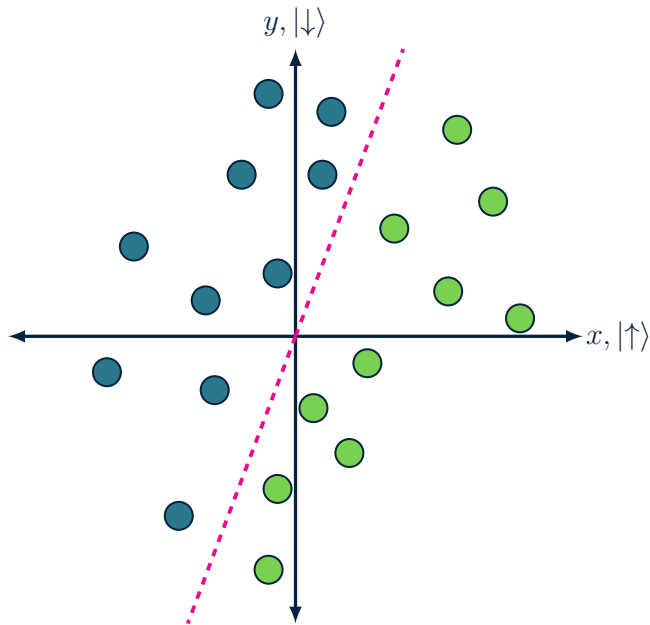
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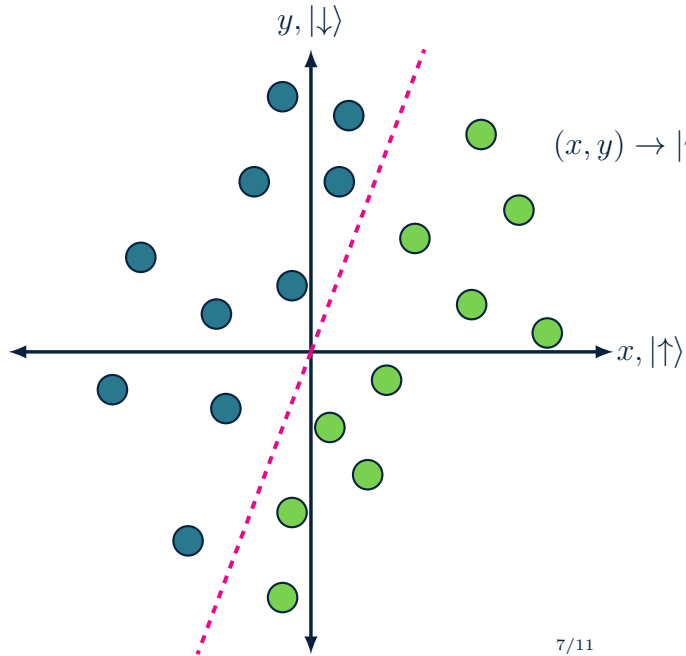


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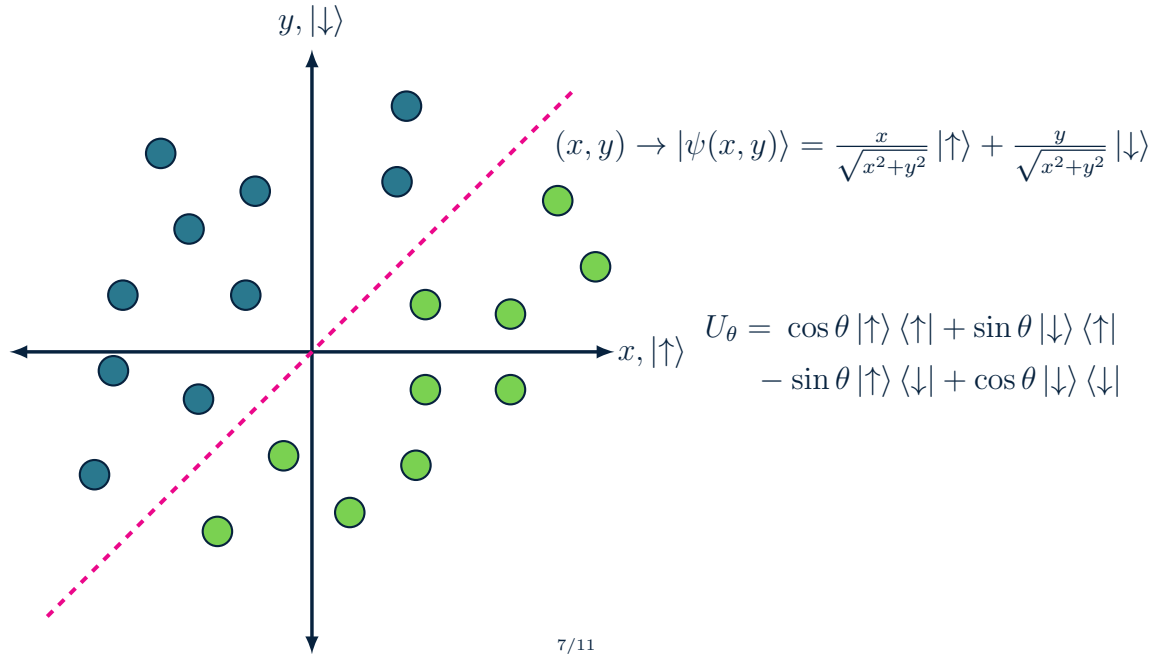


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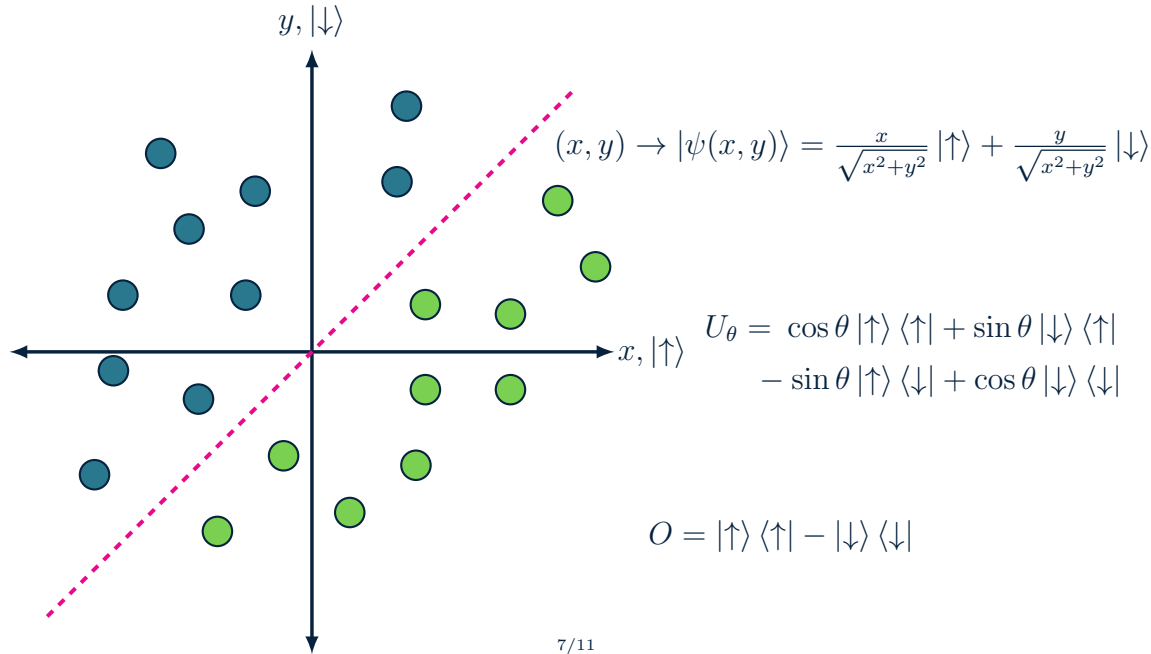


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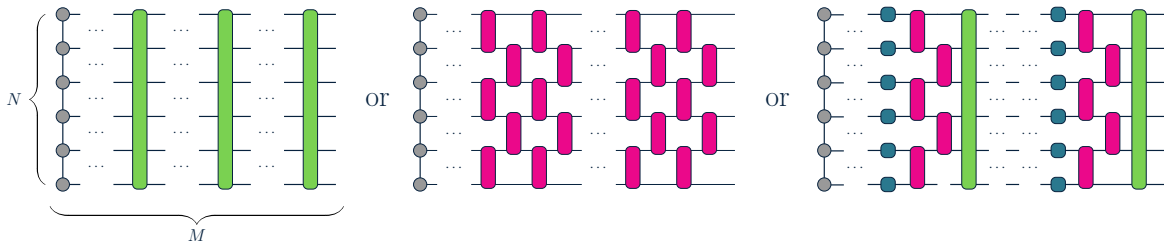


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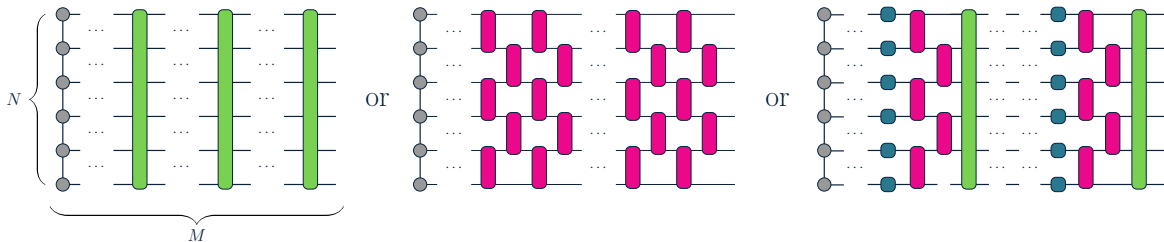
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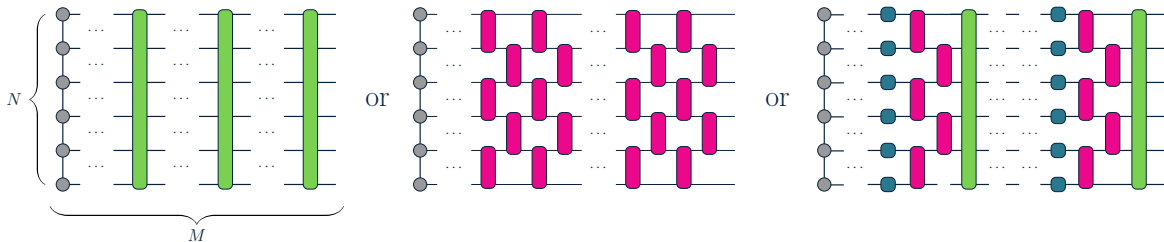
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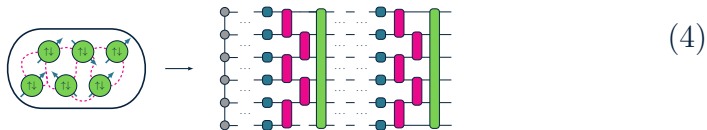


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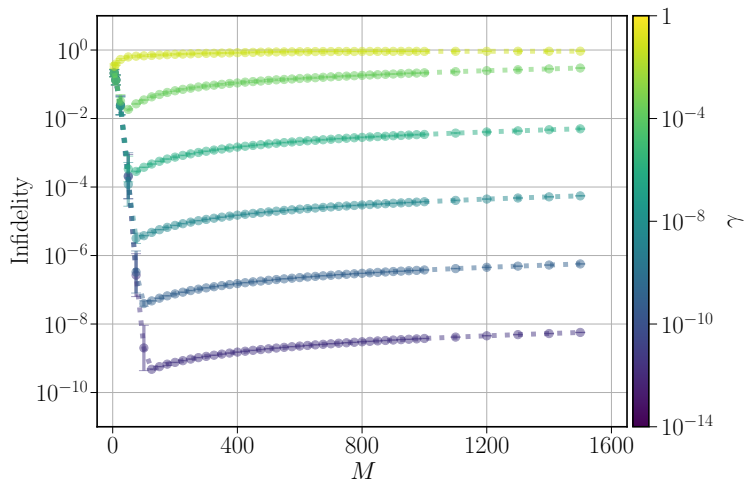
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