

Variational Quantum Eigensolver - SQUANDER -

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Variational Quantum Eigensolver (VQE)

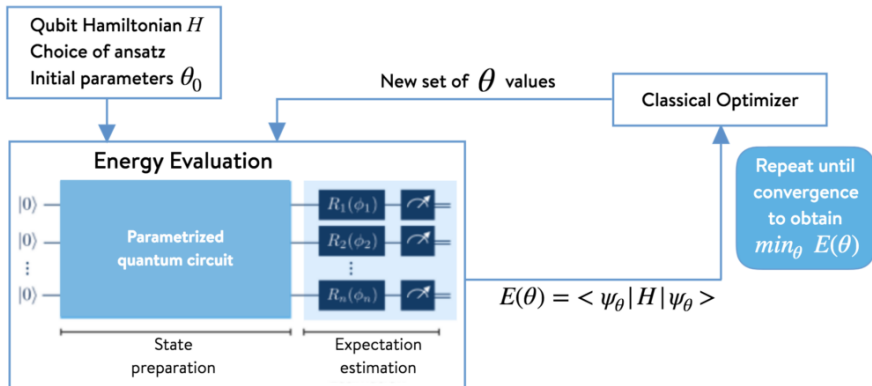


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Classical optimization processes

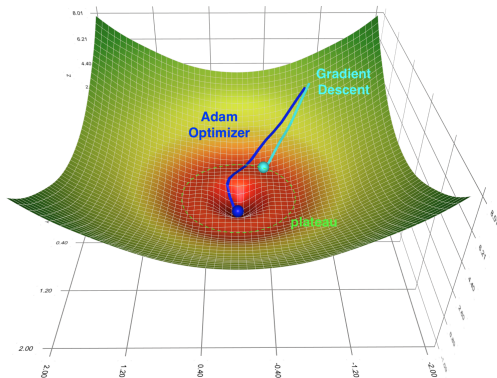
Gradient-based methods

- **Gradient Descent**
- **Parameter Shift Rule**
(Quantum GD)
- **ADAM** (Adaptive Moment Estimation)
- **BFGS** (Broyden–Fletcher–Goldfarb–Shanno)

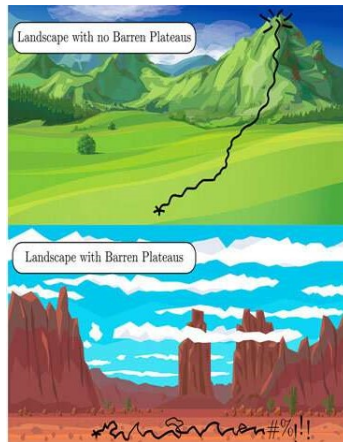
Gradient-free methods

- **Powell's method**
- **COBYLA** (Constrained Optimization BY Linear Approximation)
- **Nelder–Mead**
- **Batched Line Search Strategy** (SQUANDER built-in)

Barren Plateau (BP) Problem



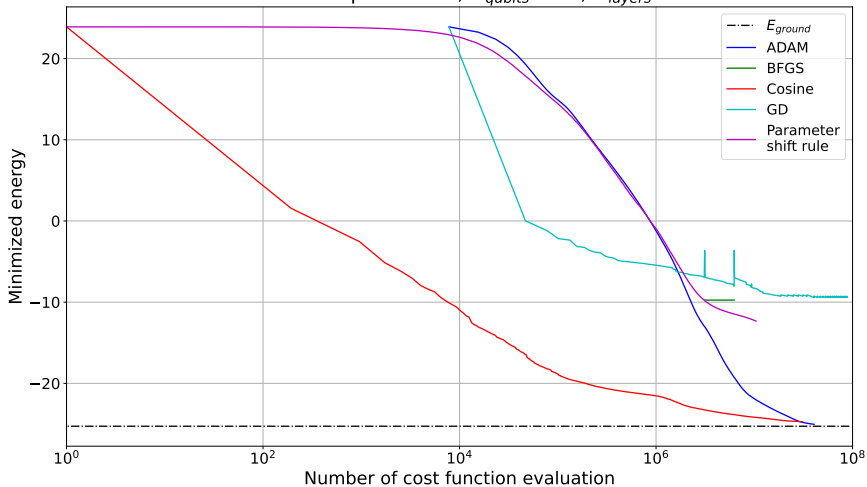
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Example for BP

Optimization process with different methods
random initial parameter, $N_{\text{qubits}} = 14$, $N_{\text{layers}} = 100$



- Changing the degree of network in the Hamiltonian generation process.
- Run simulation with *ADAM*, *Powell* and *Batched Line Search* methods.
- Compare the different results.