

# **Information scrambling and the learning landscape of a quantum machine learning algorithm**

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# Quantum Machine-Learning

## Goal

**Develop quantum algorithms  
for  
quantum simulations on quantum devices**

### Complex Many-Body Systems

- **Electronic Structure**
- **Quantum Dynamics**

## Complex Many-Body Systems

**Microscopic systems** made of many interacting particles in **chemistry, materials science, atomic and molecular physics**

Quantum Mechanics has to be used to provide an accurate description of the system

### Schrödinger Equation

$$\mathcal{H}|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}|\Psi(t)\rangle = -i\mathcal{H}|\Psi(t)\rangle$$

Physical States

### Dirac Equation

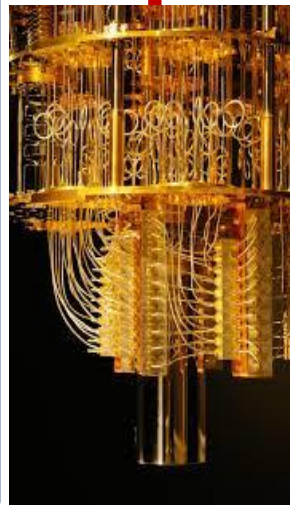
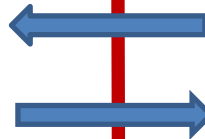
$$\hat{H}\psi = (\vec{\alpha}\cdot\vec{p} + \beta m)\psi = i\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t}$$
$$\beta = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha_j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_j \\ \sigma_j & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

### Quantum Master Equation

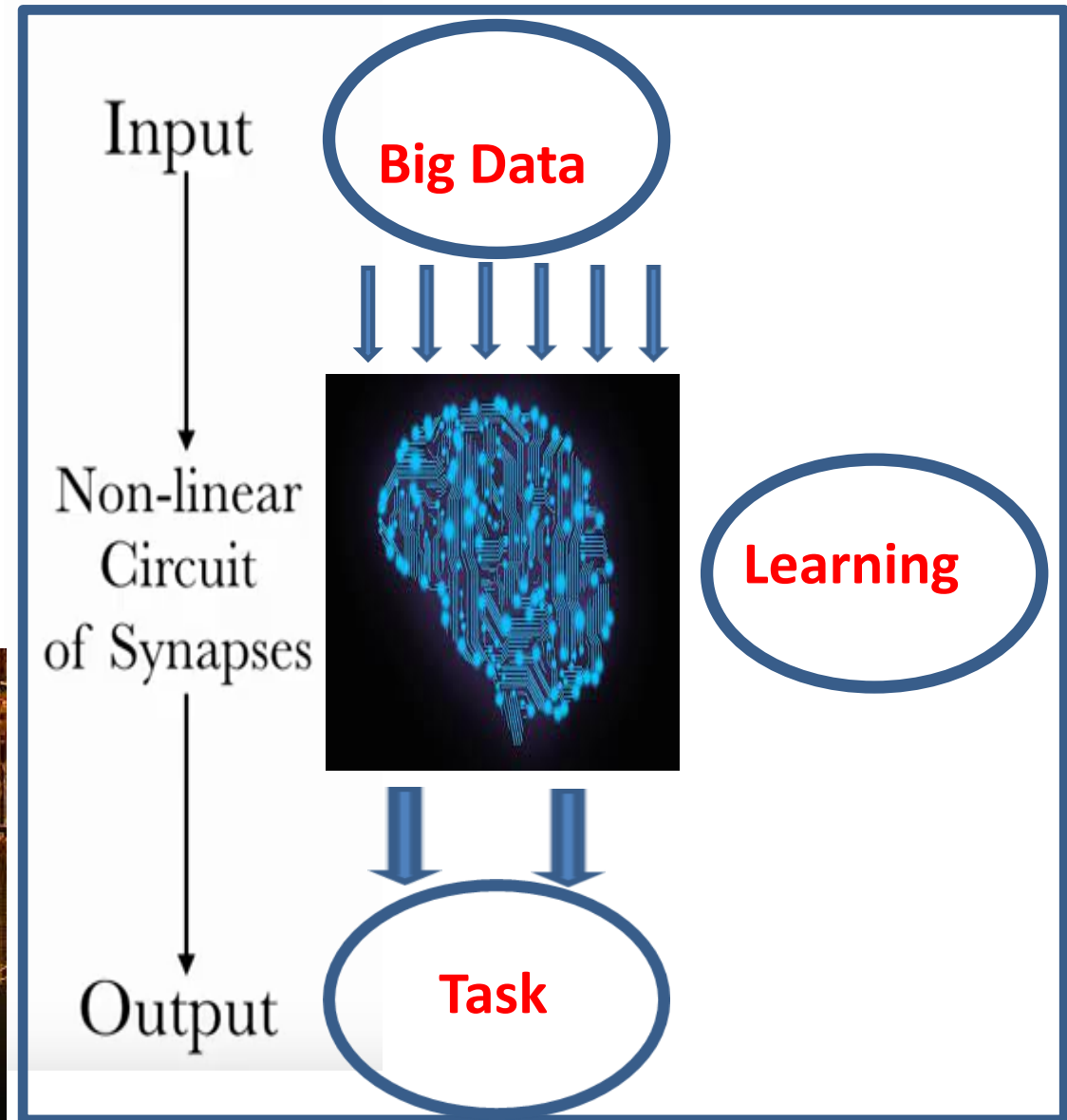
### Liouville-von Neumann Equation

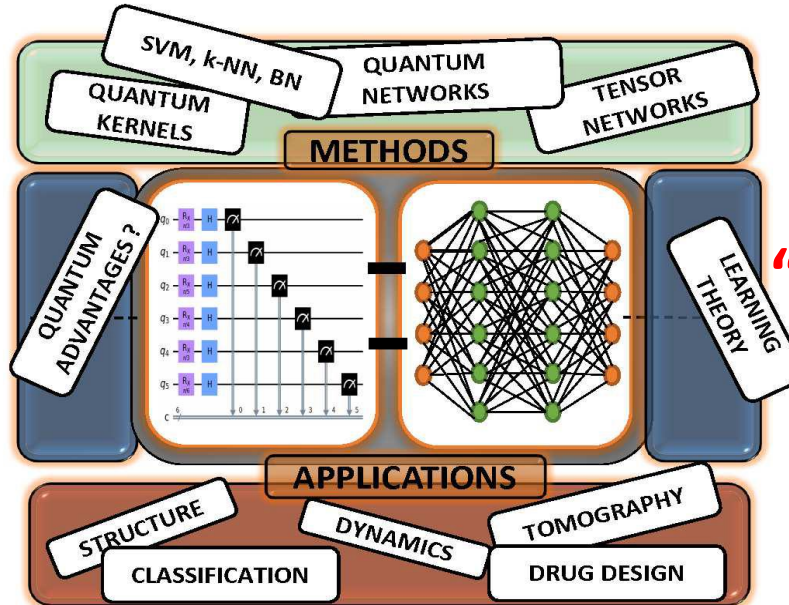
$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho(t) = L\rho(t)$$

Hilbert Space



## Quantum Machine-Learning





# Review Article

## “Quantum Machine Learning for Chemistry and Physics”

Manas Sajjan, Junxu Li, Raja Selvarajan, Shree Hari Sureshbabu, Sumit Suresh Kale, Rishabh Gupta, Vinit Singh and Sabre Kais\*

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- **QML Model: Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM)**
- **Implementation on a Quantum Device:** Designing a quantum circuit with quadratic resource requirements (circuit width, circuit depth, parameter count)
  - **Applications:** Electronic structure of simple molecules and 2-D materials such as Hexagonal Boron Nitride, Graphene, Molybdenum Disulfide MoS<sub>2</sub>, Tungsten disulfide WS<sub>2</sub>, Emerging Phenomena in quantum and topological materials.

**Focus on : Statistical Physics and Machine Learning**

- **Information Scrambling:** Perspective and Out-of-Time-Order Correlator (OTOC) and the learning landscape of a quantum machine learning algorithm.

# Electronic Structure of Molecules and Materials on Quantum Computers

## Challenge

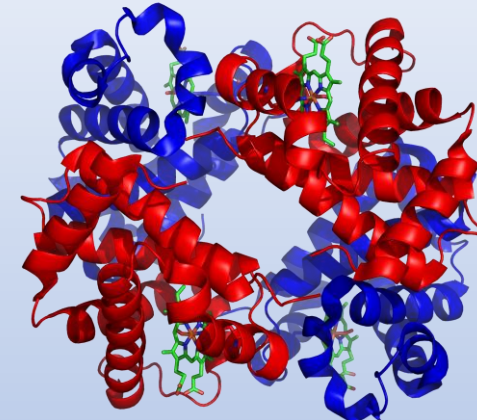
Describing the nontrivial correlations encoded in the exponential complexity of the many-body wave function

# Goal: Understanding the properties of quantum many-body systems

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N=80, Avogadro  $10^{23}$



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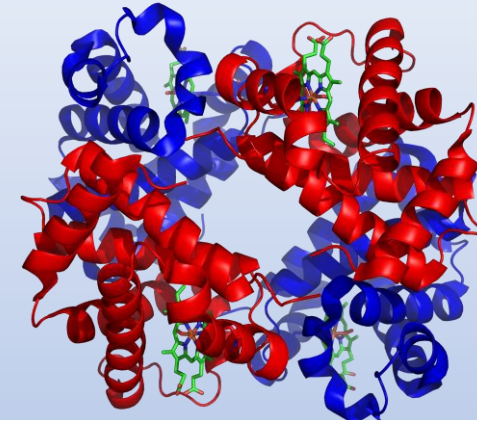
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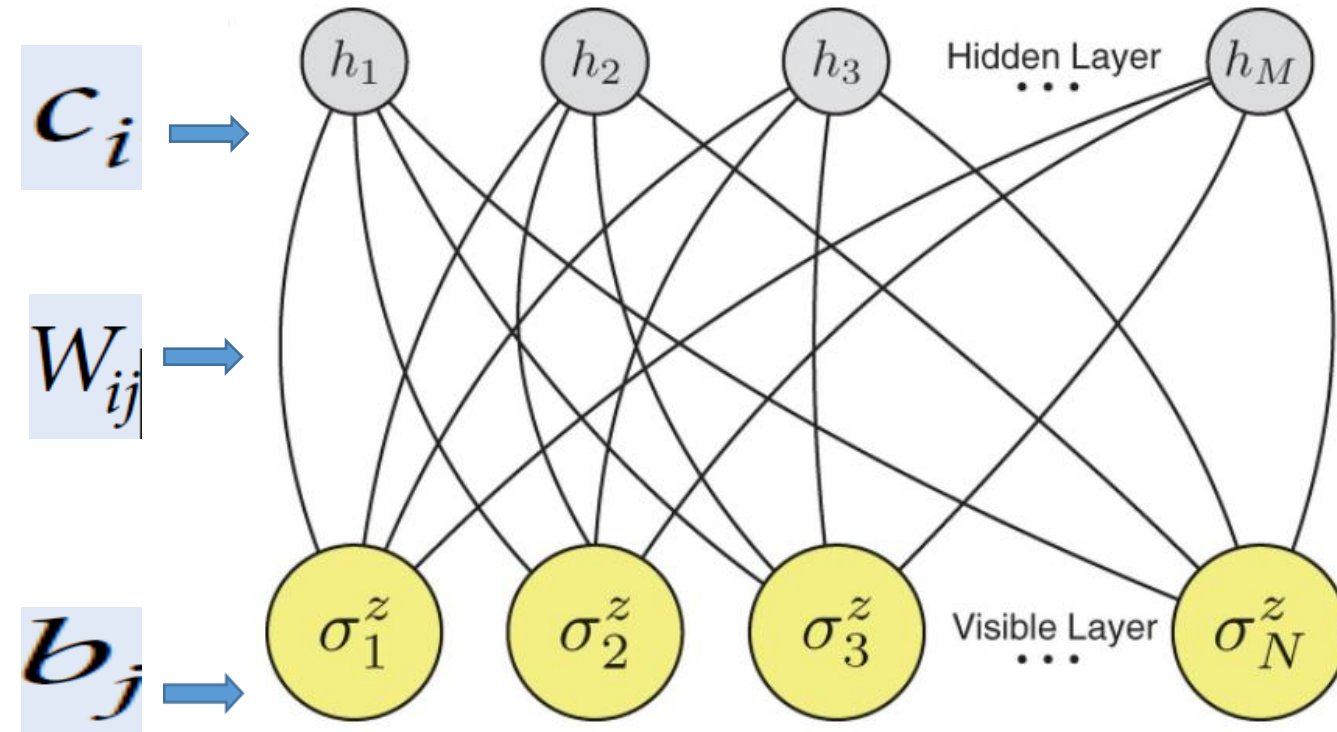
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# Quantum Machine-Learning

## Deep Learning and Artificial Neural Network “Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM)”



$$E_{\lambda}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = - \sum_{i,j} W_{ij} h_i v_j - \sum_{j=1}^V b_j v_j - \sum_{i=1}^H c_i h_i$$

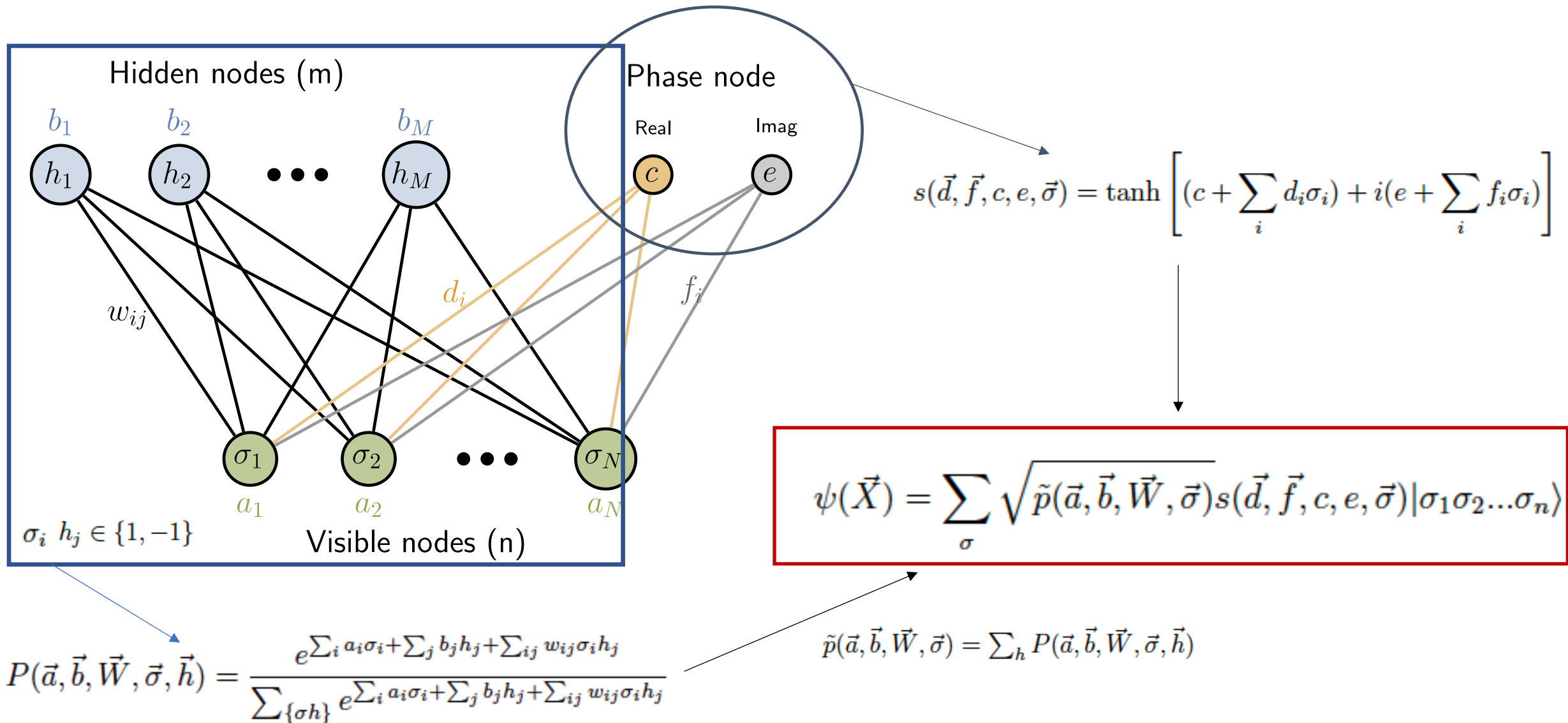
$$p_{\lambda}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{Z_{\lambda}} e^{-E_{\lambda}}$$

$$p(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} p(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h})$$

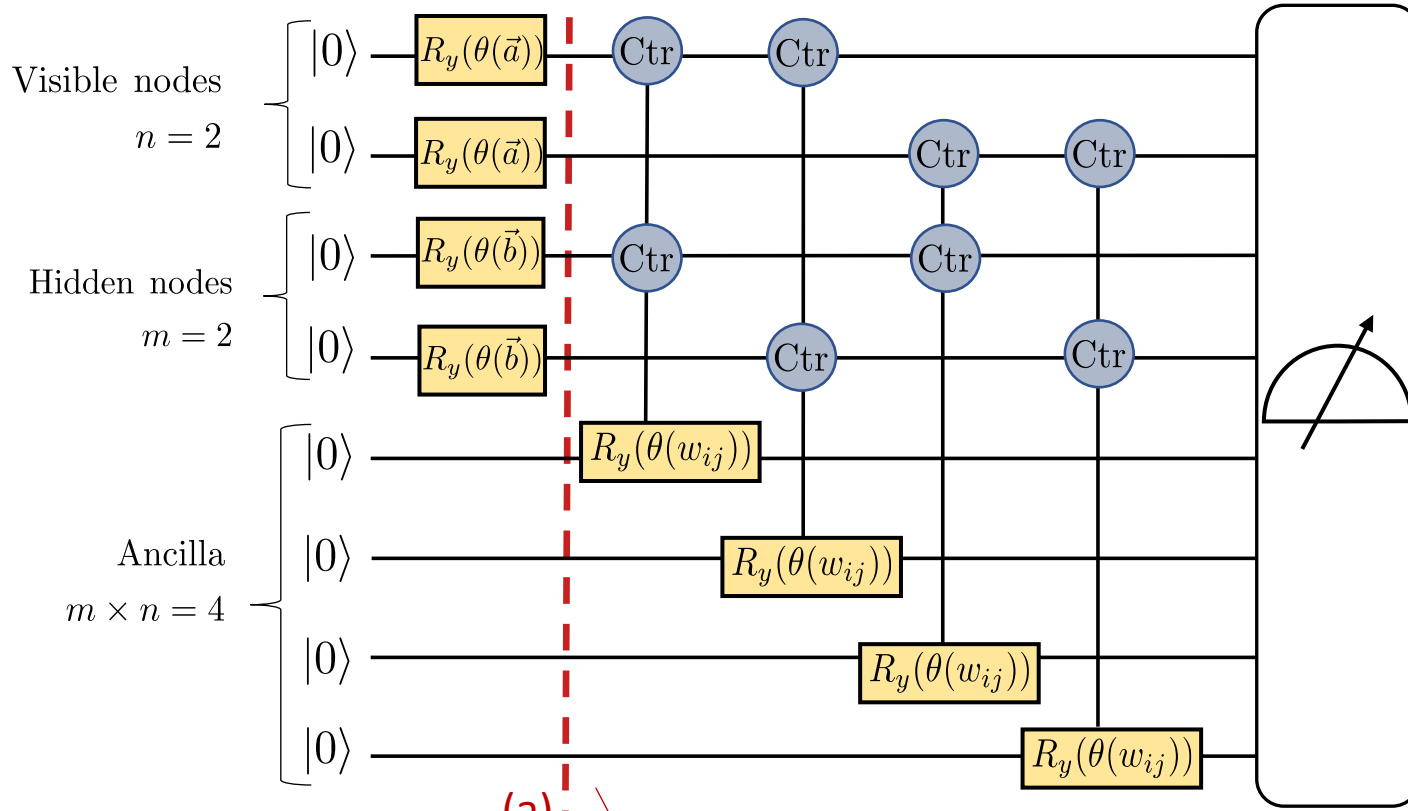
wavefunction  $p(\mathbf{v}) = |\langle \mathbf{v} | \Psi \rangle|^2$

R.G. Melco et al. Nature Physics, 15, 887 (2019)  
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# NETWORK ARCHITECTURE (RESTRICTED BOLTZMANN MACHINE ANSATZ)



# CONSTRUCTION OF AMPLITUDE USING QUANTUM CIRCUIT



State at (a)

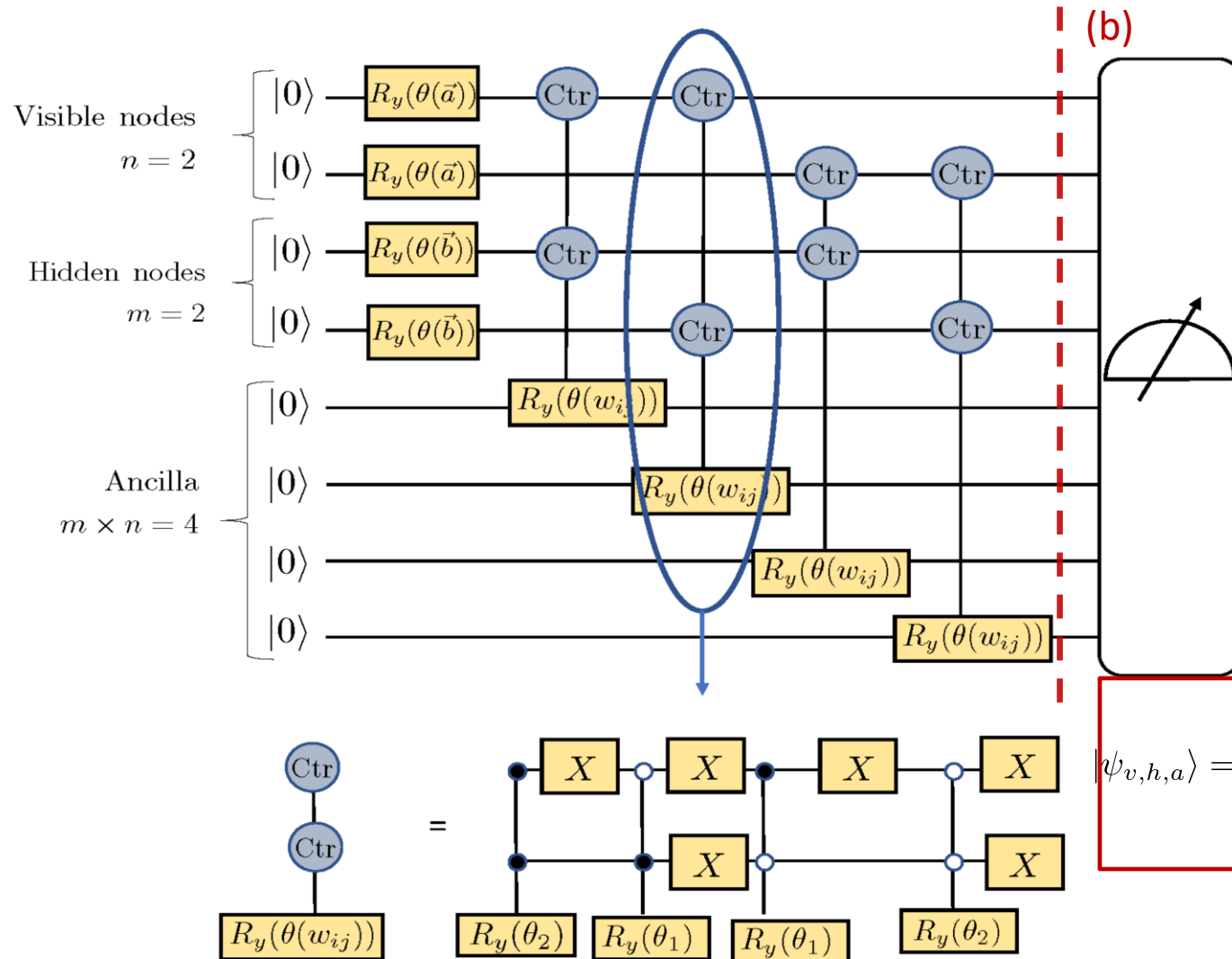
$$|\psi_{v,h,a}\rangle = \sum_{(\vec{\sigma}, \vec{h})} \sqrt{O(\vec{\sigma}, \vec{h}, \vec{a}, \vec{b})} |\vec{\sigma} \vec{h}\rangle_{vh} \otimes |0\rangle_a$$

$$R_y(\theta(\vec{a})) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{e^{-a_i/k}}{e^{-a_i/k} + e^{a_i/k}}} & \sqrt{\frac{e^{a_i/k}}{e^{-a_i/k} + e^{a_i/k}}} \\ \sqrt{\frac{e^{a_i/k}}{e^{-a_i/k} + e^{a_i/k}}} & \sqrt{\frac{e^{-a_i/k}}{e^{-a_i/k} + e^{a_i/k}}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$O(\vec{\sigma}, \vec{h}, \vec{a}, \vec{b}) = \frac{e^{\frac{\sum_i a_i \sigma_i + \sum_j b_j h_j}{k}}}{\sum_{\vec{\sigma} \vec{h}} \frac{e^{\sum_i a_i \sigma_i + \sum_j b_j h_j}{k}}}$$

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$$CCR_y(\theta_2(\vec{W}))|11\rangle_{vh}|0\rangle_a = \sqrt{\frac{e^{W_{ij}/k}}{e^{|W_{ij}|/k}}} |11\rangle_{vh}|1\rangle_a + \sqrt{1 - \frac{e^{W_{ij}/k}}{e^{|W_{ij}|/k}}} |11\rangle_{vh}|0\rangle_a$$

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$$\eta(\vec{W}, \vec{\sigma}, \vec{h}) = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{k}(\sum_{i,j} w_{ij} \sigma_i h_j)}}{e^{\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i,j} |w_{ij}|}}$$

# Methodology: Summary

- The wavefunction can be expressed as:

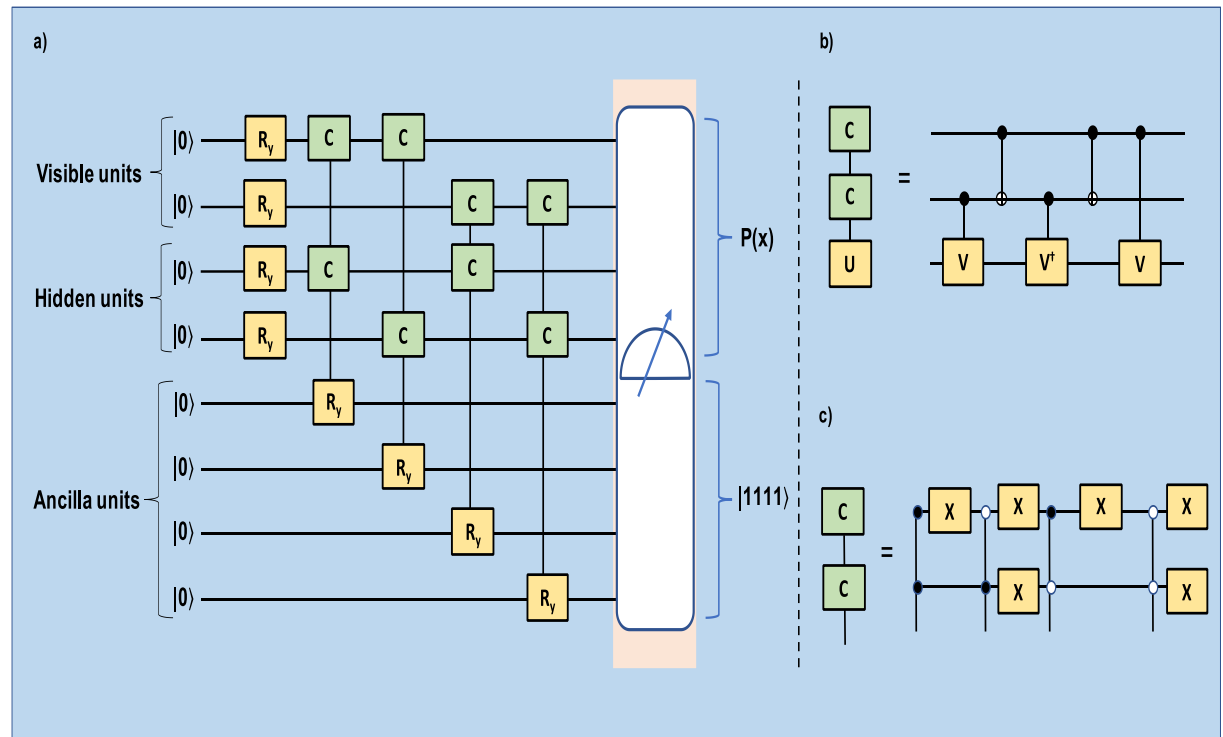
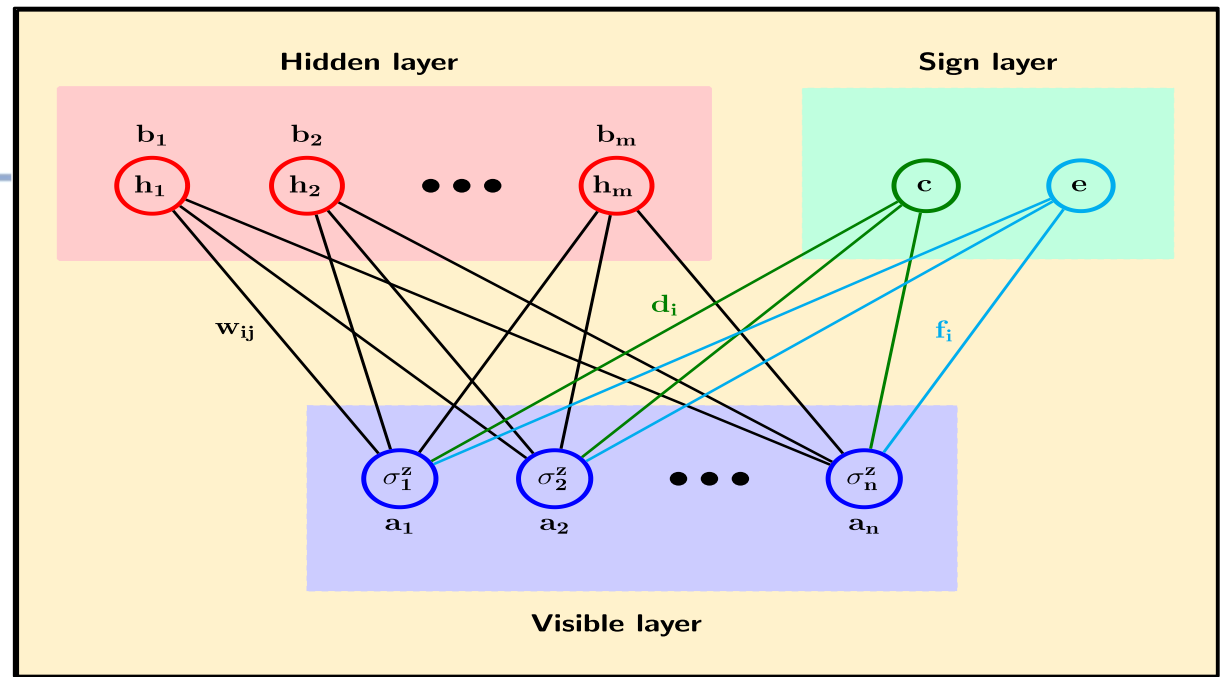
$$|\phi\rangle = \sum_x \sqrt{P(x)} s(x) |x\rangle$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sum_{\{h\}} e^{\sum_i a_i \sigma_i^z + \sum_j b_j h_j + \sum_{ij} w_{ij} \sigma_i^z h_j}}{\sum_{x'} \sum_{\{h\}} e^{\sum_i a_i \sigma_i^z + \sum_j b_j h_j + \sum_{ij} w_{ij} \sigma_i^z h_j}}$$

$$s(x) = \tanh \left( \left( c + \sum_i d_i \sigma_i^z \right) + i \left( e + \sum_i f_i \sigma_i^z \right) \right)$$

- Given Hamiltonian  $H$  and a trial state  $|\phi\rangle = \sum_x \phi(x) |x\rangle$  we compute the expectation value:

$$\langle H \rangle = \frac{\langle \phi | H | \phi \rangle}{\langle \phi | \phi \rangle}$$



# Resource Requirements

No. of qubits	No. of gates	Variational parameter count
$(m + n + mn) = O(mn)$	$(m + n + mn) = O(mn)$	$(m + 3n + mn + 2) = O(mn)$

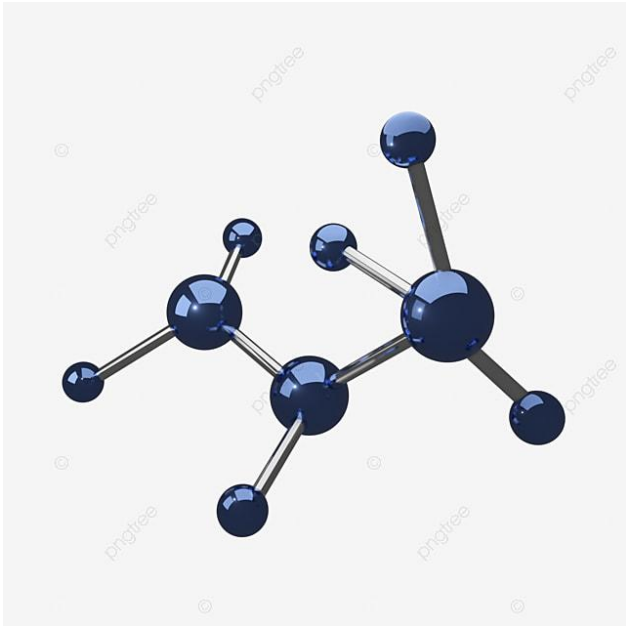
Simulating the full RBM distribution classically will always likely be **Exponential** but on a quantum computer will be **Quadratic Resources**.

**Also RBM is a universal approximator for any probability density**

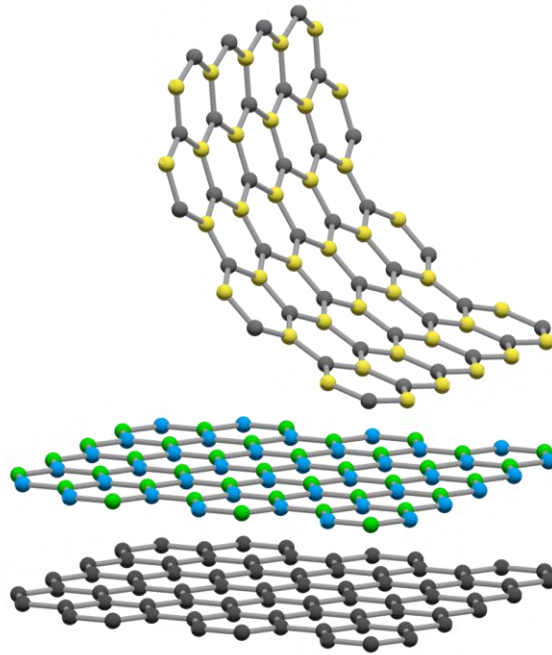
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# SYSTEM OF INTEREST (DRIVER)

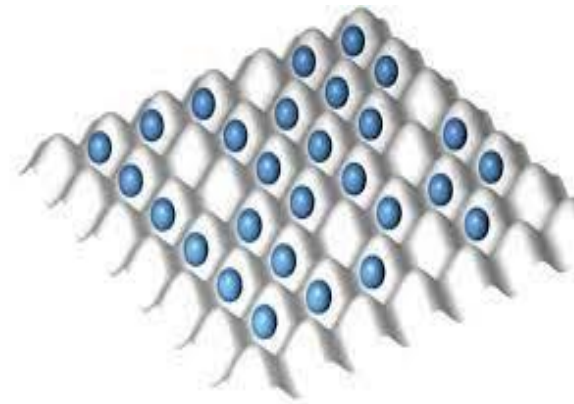
Could be a material, a molecule or any spin-lattice models



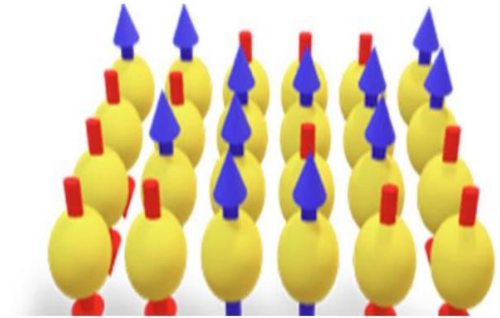
Molecules



Materials

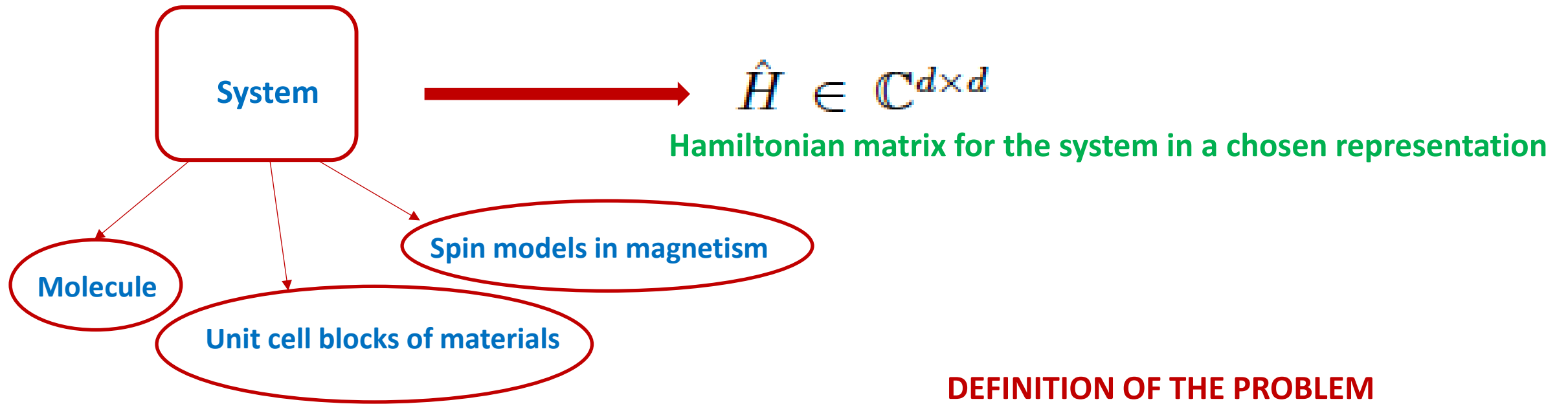


Ultracold Atomic-Lattice



Spin-Lattice Models

# OBJECTIVE



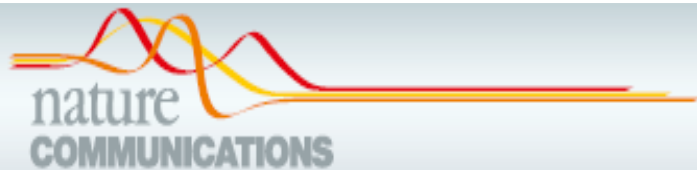
- Construct approximate eigenstates  $\psi(\vec{X})$  of  $\hat{H}$  without the prohibitively expensive exact diagonalization
- Filter eigenstates with symmetry operators based on user defined choices. This means if the model admits then

$$\{\hat{O}_i\}_{i=1}^{i=k}, \text{ s.t. } [\hat{H}, \hat{O}_i] = 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$$

grouping eigenstates based on eigenspaces of operators specified by the user



# BACKBONE OF THE TALK



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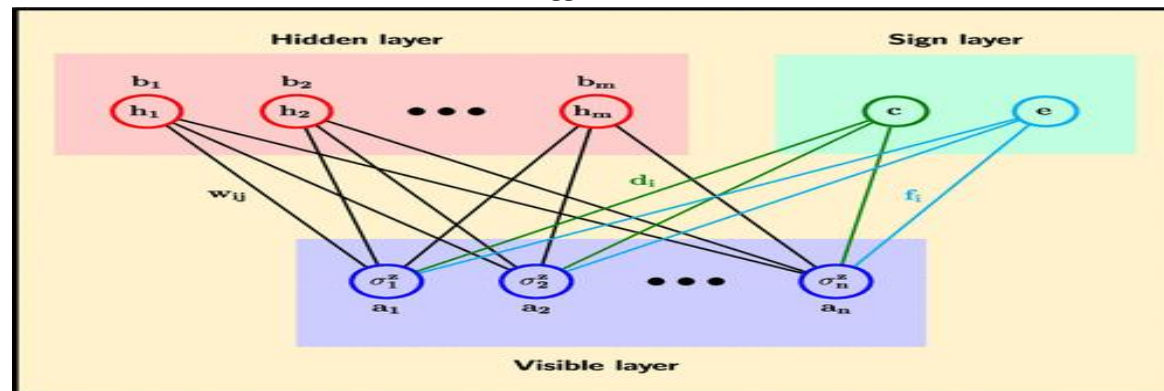
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**<sup>1</sup> Quantum Machine-Learning for Eigenstate Filtration in Two-Dimensional Materials**

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# Results



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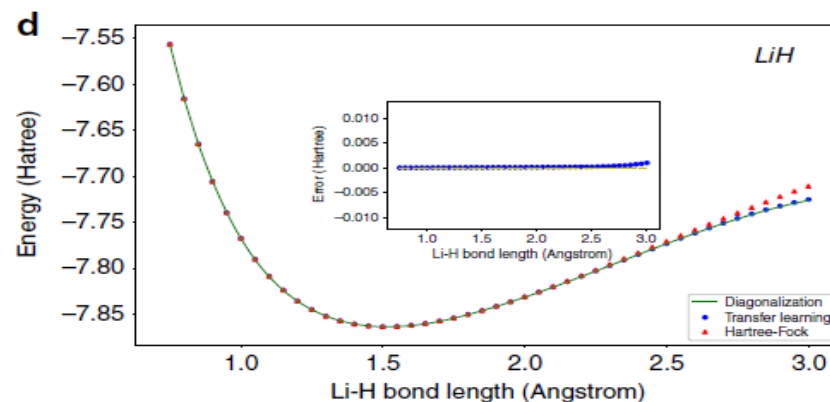
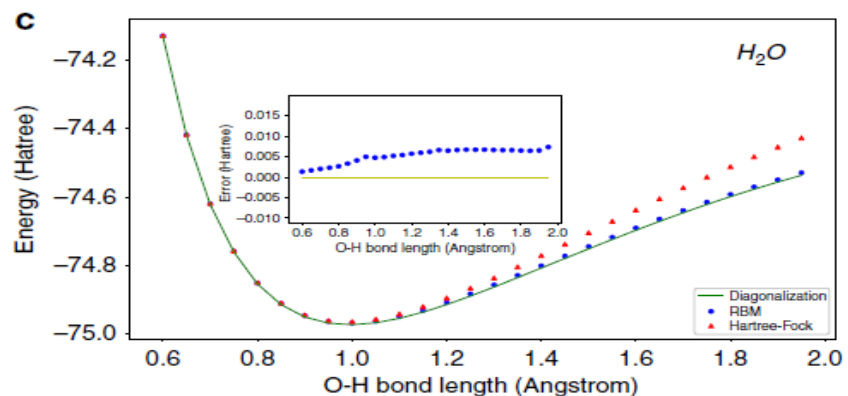
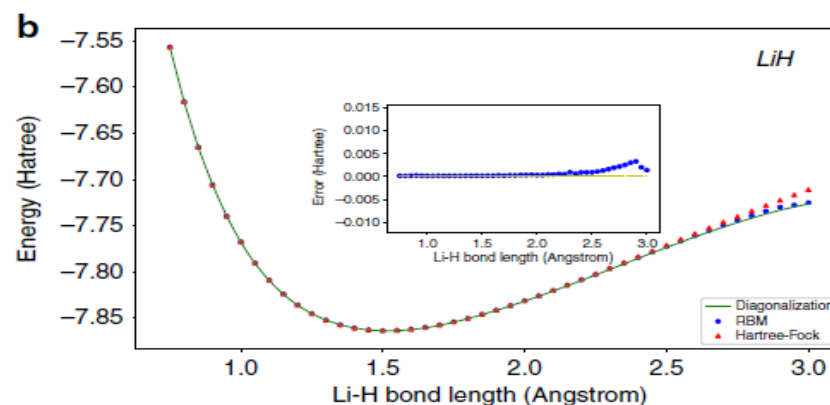
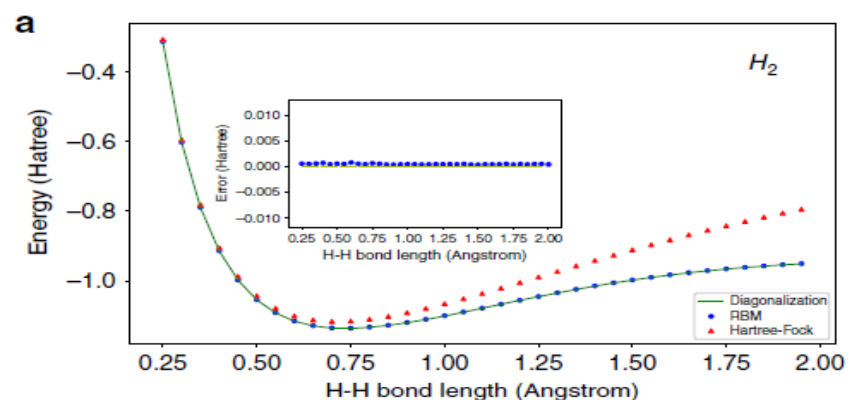
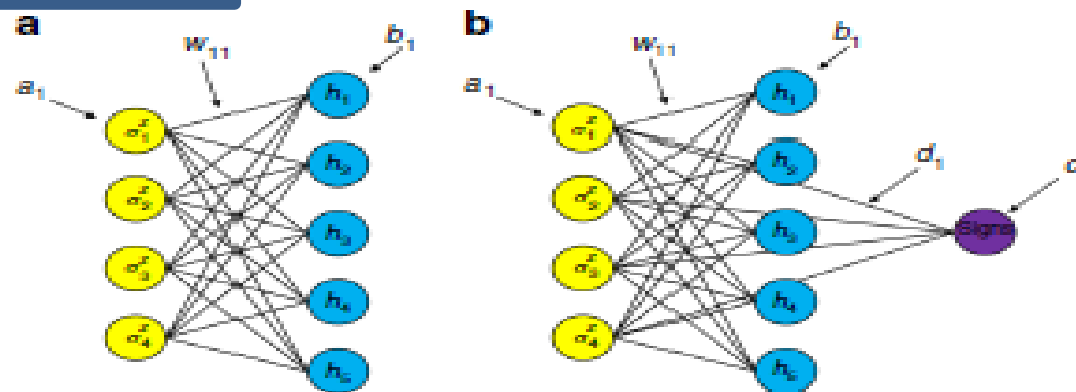
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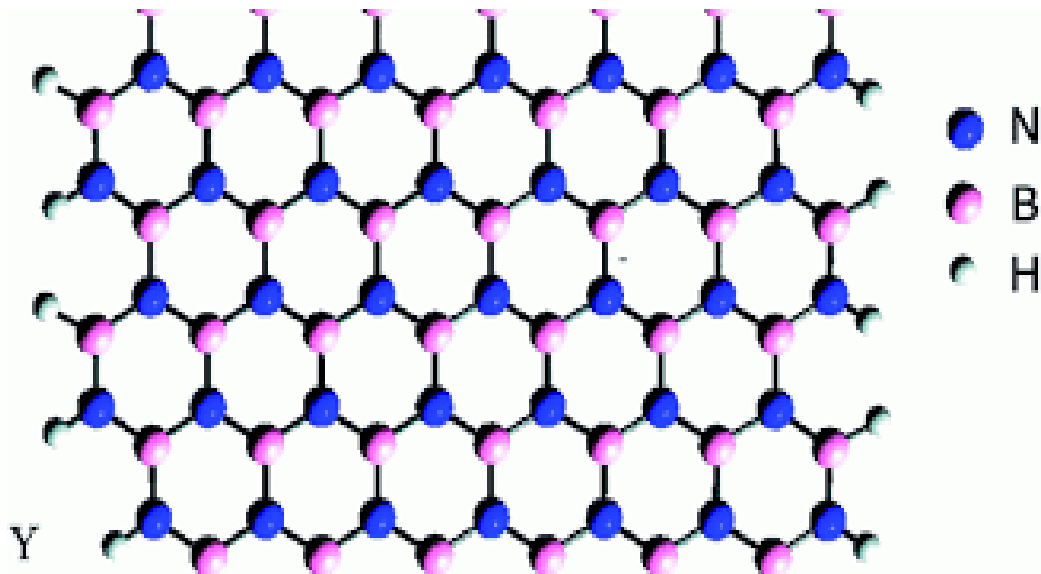


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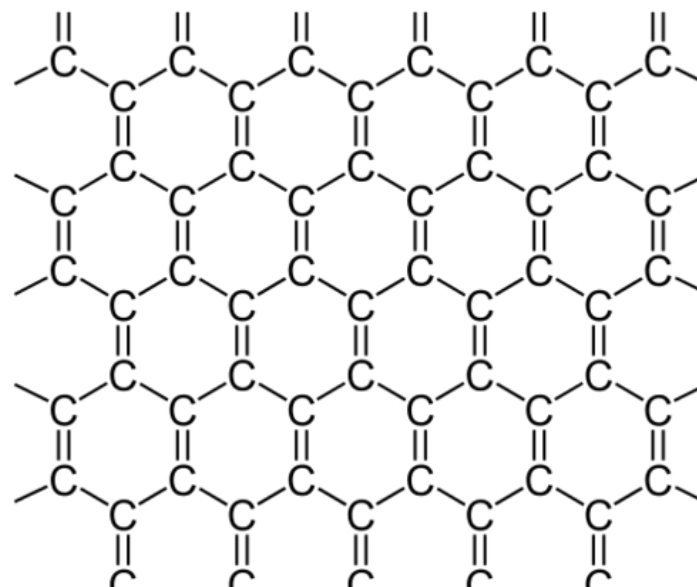


**The results of**  
**H<sub>2</sub> (n = 4, m = 8,**  
**iterations=10,000),**  
**LiH (n = 4, m = 8,**  
**iterations=40,000)**  
**and H<sub>2</sub>O (n = 6, m = 6,**  
**iterations=40,000)**

## Hexagonal-Boron Nitride (h-BN)



## Graphene



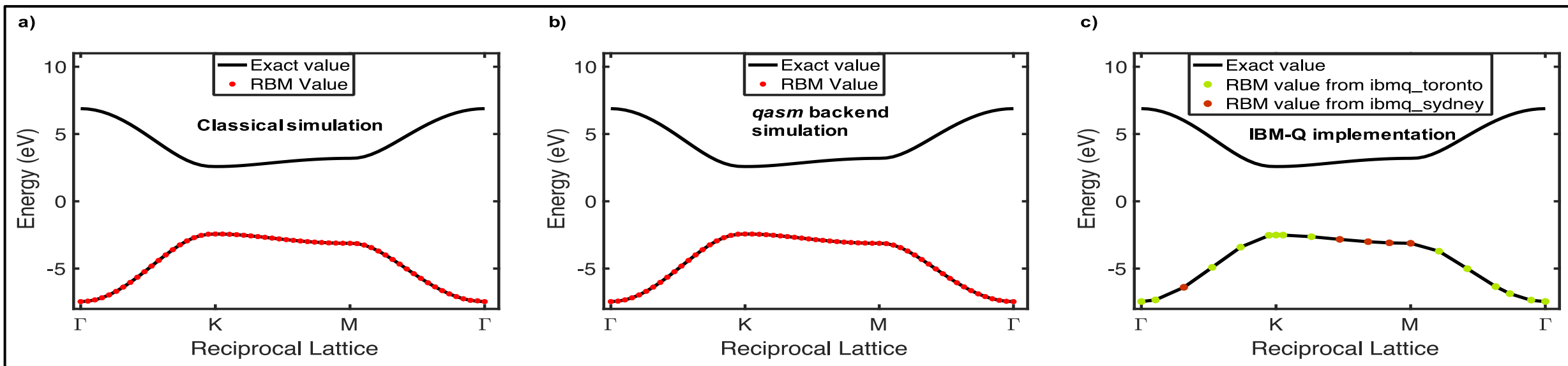
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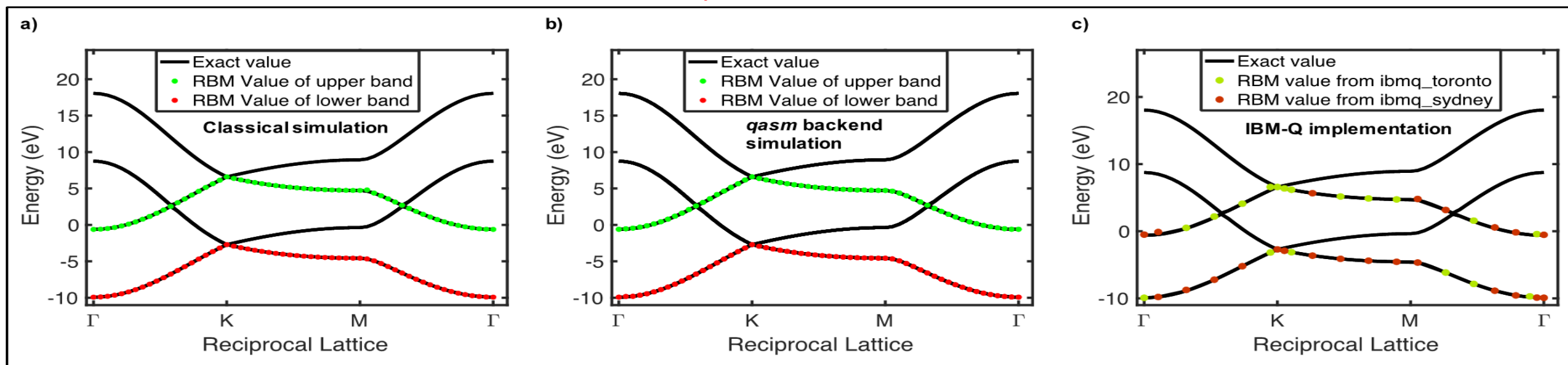
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# Results

## Implementation on IBM-Q hexagonal Boron Nitride

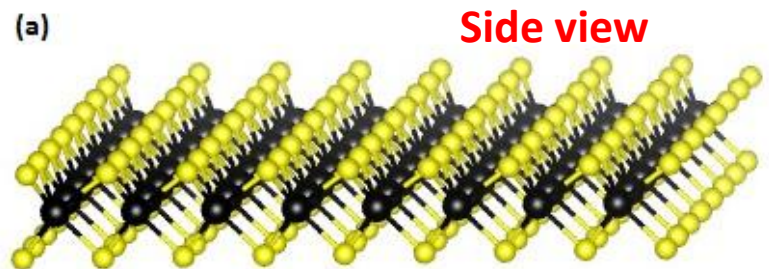


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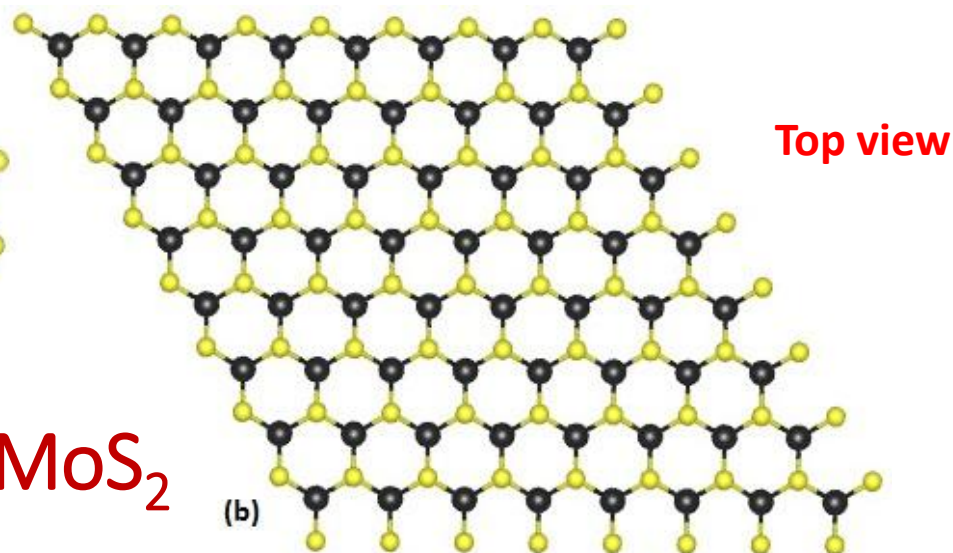




# Band Structure of 2-D materials



Molybdenum disulfide  $\text{MoS}_2$



Tungsten disulfide  $\text{WS}_2$



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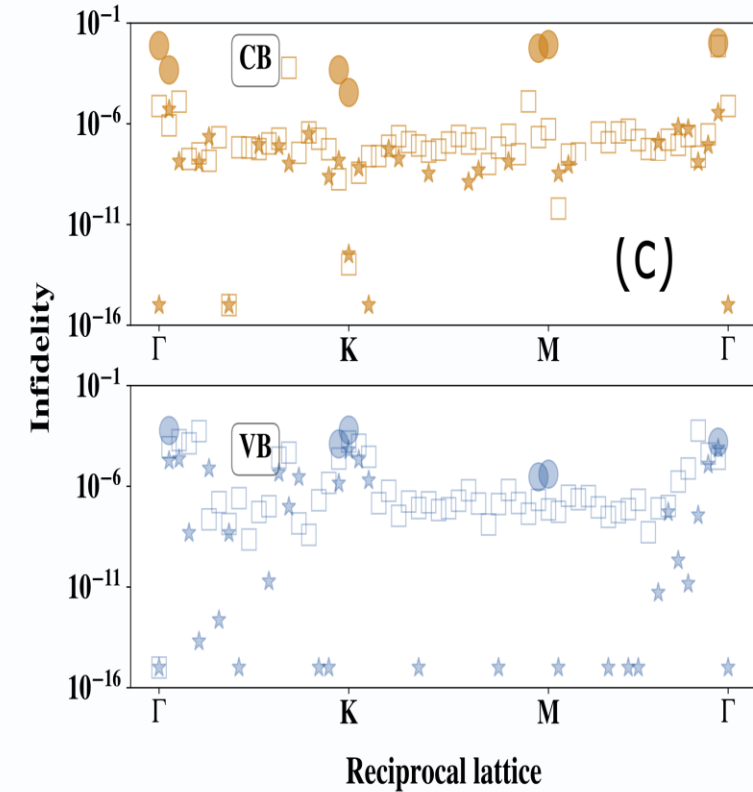
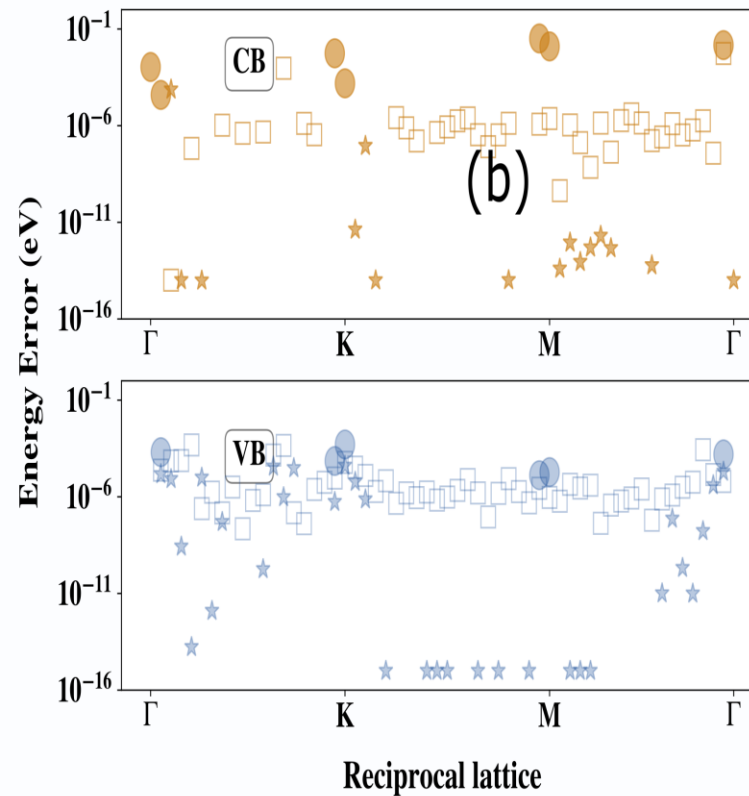
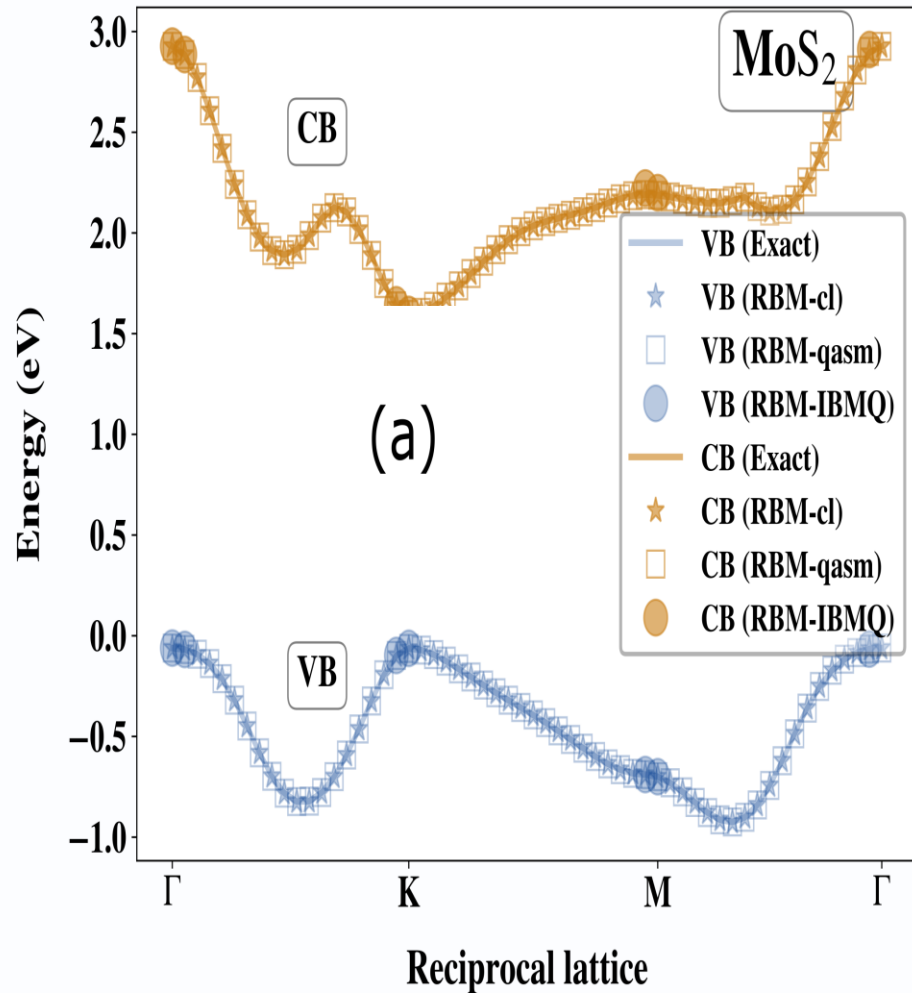


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# VALENCE AND CONDUCTION BAND - RESULTS FOR MoS<sub>2</sub>



# Deeper Understanding of the Learning Process

## (Connection to Statistical Physics)

Out-of-time-order correlator (OTOC) and scrambling of quantum information

# Navigating the learning landscape of a Quantum Machine Learning model through rigorous correlation bounds



Dr. Manas Sajjan

**Information Scrambling Perspective  
and**

**Out-of-Time-Order Correlator (OTOC)**






Vinit Singh

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- How neural network exchanges information among sub-units and **how fast an initial excitation travel** using statistical correlators ?
- What is the **connection** of the above point to **information theory** ? Is there an information bottleneck which can affect trainability ?
- What are the **universal features** of such exchange of information ?
- Can we expedite training and **construct better networks** using this

## Imaginary components of out-of-time-order correlator and information scrambling for navigating the learning landscape of a quantum machine learning model

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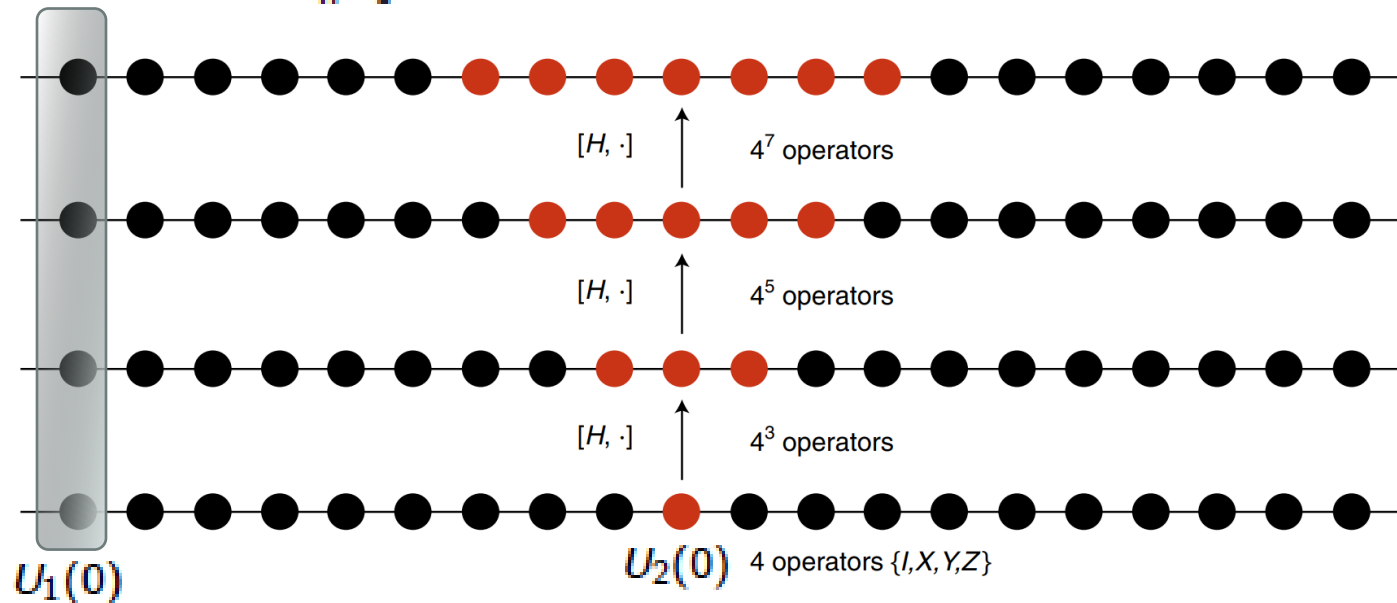
We introduce and analytically illustrate that hitherto unexplored imaginary components of out-of-time order correlators can provide unprecedented insight into the information scrambling capacity of a graph neural network. Furthermore, we demonstrate that it can be related to conventional measures of correlation like quantum mutual information and rigorously establish the inherent mathematical bounds (both upper and lower bound) jointly shared by such seemingly disparate quantities. To consolidate the geometrical ramifications of such bounds during the dynamical evolution of training we thereafter construct an emergent convex space. This newly designed space offers much surprising information including the saturation of lower bound by the trained network even for physical systems of large sizes, transference, and quantitative mirroring of spin correlation from the simulated physical system across phase boundaries as desirable features within the latent subunits of the network (even though the latent units are directly oblivious to the simulated physical system) and the ability of the network to distinguish exotic spin connectivity (volume law vs area law). Such an analysis demystifies the training of quantum machine learning models by unraveling how quantum information is scrambled through such a network introducing correlation surreptitiously among its constituent subsystems and open a window into the underlying physical mechanism behind the emulative ability of the model.

# OUT-OF-TIME-ORDER CORRELATORS (OTOC)

A four-point temporal correlation function defined between sites (1,2) with local unitaries

$$C_{U_1, U_2}(t) = \langle U_1^\dagger(0) U_2^\dagger(t) U_1(0) U_2(t) \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_2(t) &= e^{iHt} U_2(0) e^{iHt} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(it)^k}{k!} [H, [H, \dots [H, U_2(0)] \dots]] \end{aligned}$$

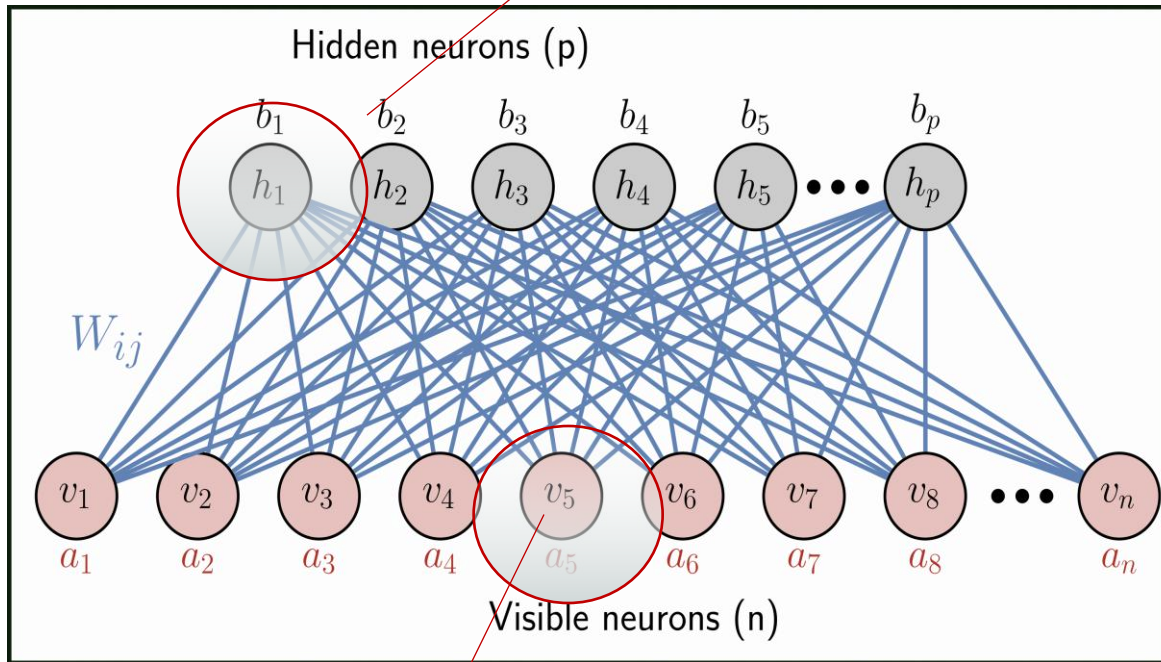


- If the sites (1,2) are far apart then the supporting bases of operators  $U_1(0)$  and  $U_2(0)$  then  $C_{U_1, U_2}(0)$  will be 1
- However, with time as the supporting bases of  $U_2(t)$  grows then the overlap between the two operators will increase leading to different  $C_{U_1, U_2}(t)$
- $C_{U_1, U_2}(t)$  is a measure of how fast the information has travelled leading to the overlap under the effect of interactions in the system

**Brian Swingle**

# OTOC FOR THE NETWORK

$$U_2(0) = \vec{\sigma}_\beta(h_m, 0) - \kappa_2 \mathcal{I}$$



$U_2(0)$  evolves in time under the effect of

$$\mathcal{H}(\vec{X}, \vec{v}, \vec{h}) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sigma^z(v_i) + \sum_{j=1}^p b_j \sigma^z(h_j) + \sum_{i=1, j=1}^{n, p} W_j^i \sigma^z(v_i) \sigma^z(h_j)$$

$$U_1(0) = \sigma_\alpha(v_k, 0) - \kappa_1 \mathcal{I}$$

$$C_{\sigma^\alpha, \sigma^\beta}(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \vec{X}, t) = \langle \tilde{\sigma}^\alpha(v_k, 0) \tilde{\sigma}^\beta(h_m, t) \tilde{\sigma}^\alpha(v_k, 0) \tilde{\sigma}^\beta(h_m, t) \rangle$$

$$C_{km}^{km}(\vec{X}, t) = \text{Cos}(4W_m^k t) + i\text{Cov}(\sigma_k^x(v), \sigma_m^x(h))\text{Sin}(4W_m^k t)$$

$$\text{Cov}(\sigma_k^x(v), \sigma_m^x(h)) = \langle \sigma_k^x(v), \sigma_m^x(h) \rangle_{\rho^{th}} - \langle \sigma_k^x(v) \rangle_{\rho^{th}} \langle \sigma_m^x(h) \rangle_{\rho^{th}}$$

## Mutual Information

$$\mathcal{I}(v_k, h_m) = S(^1\rho(v_k)) + S(^1\rho(h_m)) - S(^2\rho(v_k, h_m))$$

## Von-Neumann Entropies

$$S(Y) = -\text{Tr}(Y \ln Y).$$

$$LB \leq \mathcal{I}(v_k, h_m) \leq UB$$

wherein the lower bound (LB) is

$$LB = 2 + \frac{1 + \eta(\vec{X})}{2} + \ln\left(\frac{1 + \eta(\vec{X})}{4}\right) \\ + \frac{1 - \eta(\vec{X})}{2} + \ln\left(\frac{1 - \eta(\vec{X})}{4}\right)$$

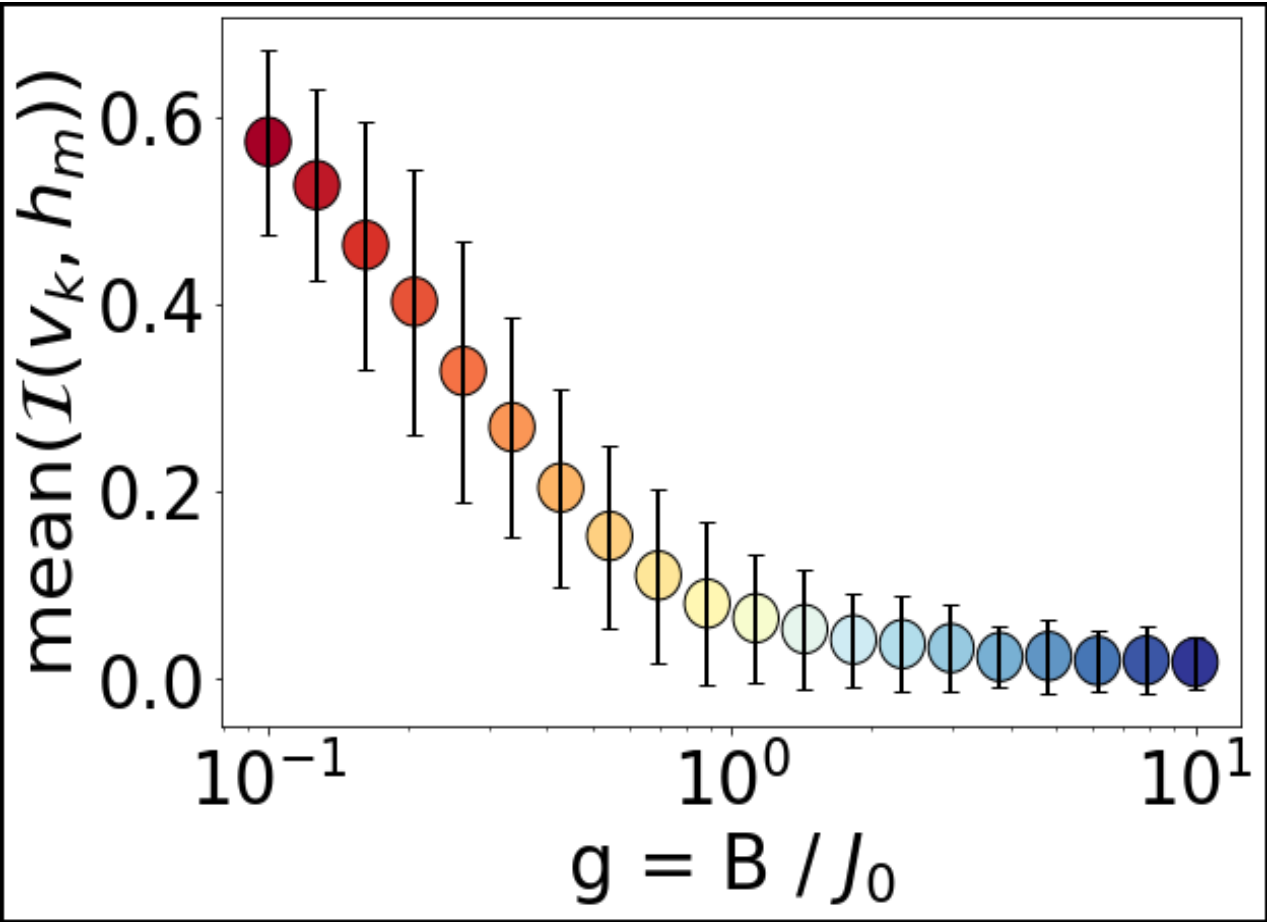
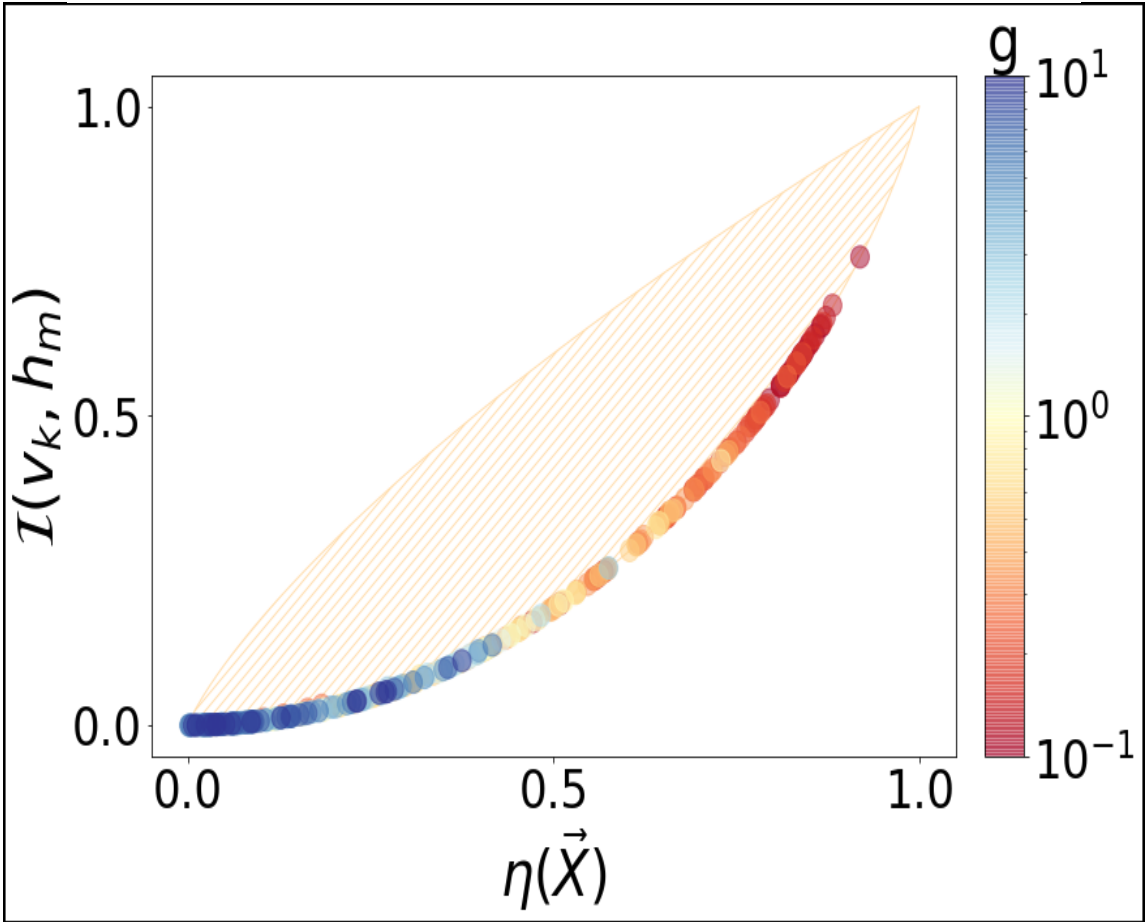
and the corresponding upper bound (UB) is

$$UB = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{1 - \eta(\vec{X})}}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{1 - \eta(\vec{X})}}{2}\right) \\ - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{1 - \eta(\vec{X})}}{2}\right) \ln\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{1 - \eta(\vec{X})}}{2}\right)$$

with  $\eta(\vec{X}) = \text{Im}(C_{km}^{km}(\vec{X}, t = \frac{\pi}{2W_m}))$

$$LB \leq \mathcal{I}(v_k, h_m) \leq UB$$

$$\eta(\vec{X}) = \text{Im}(C_{km}^{km}(\vec{X}, t = \frac{\pi}{2W_m^k}))$$



$$H = B \sum_i^N \sigma_i^x + J_0 \sum_i^{N-1} \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z$$



# SYSTEMS TO STUDY (DRIVERS)

Our results will be primarily focused on two different spin-systems generically described as

$$H = -B \sum_{i_d}^N \sigma^x(i_d) - \sum_{i_d j_d} J_{i_d j_d} \sigma^z(i_d) \sigma^z(j_d)$$

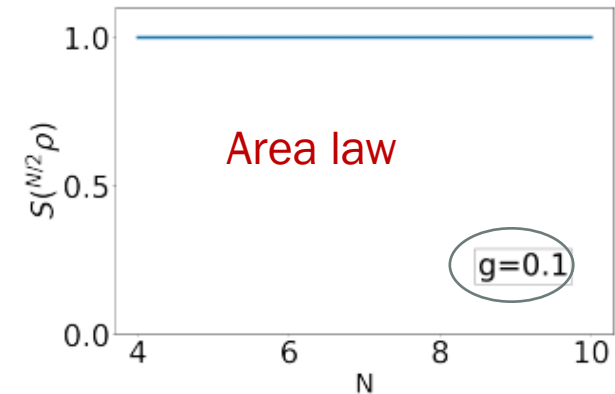
$$g=B/J_0$$

## SYSTEM A

TFIM



$$J_{i_d j_d} = \begin{cases} J_0, & \text{if } i_d j_d = i_d \pm 1 \quad \forall i_d \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



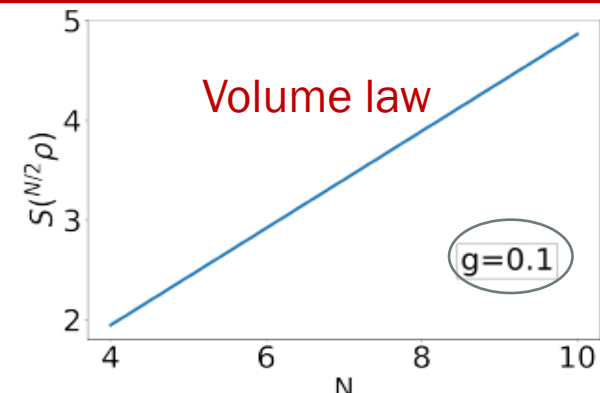
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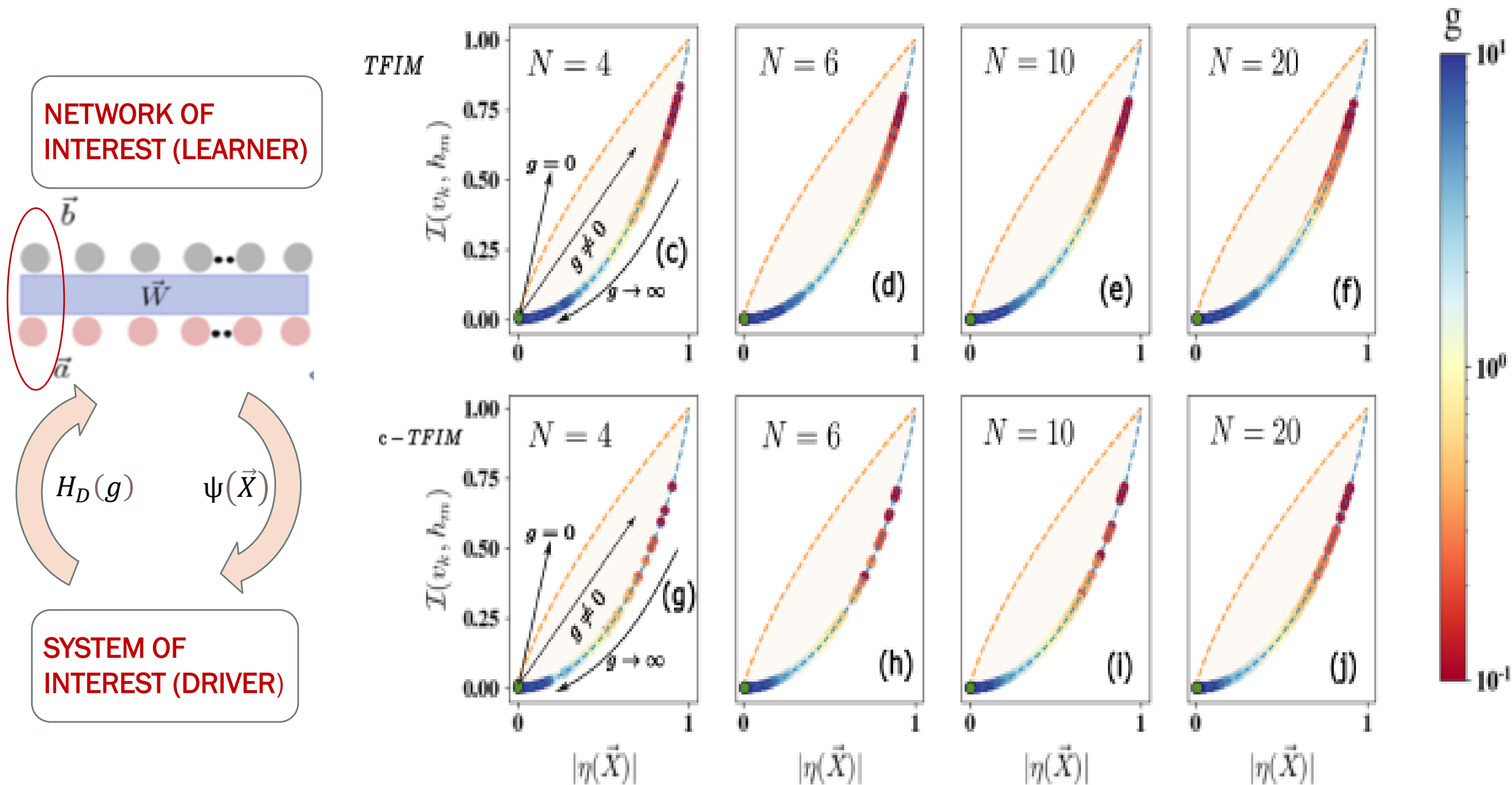


$$J_{i_d j_d} = \begin{cases} J_0, & \text{if } i_d = \frac{N}{2} - (q-1), \\ & j_d = \frac{N}{2} + q \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{with } \forall q \in [1, \frac{N}{2}]$$



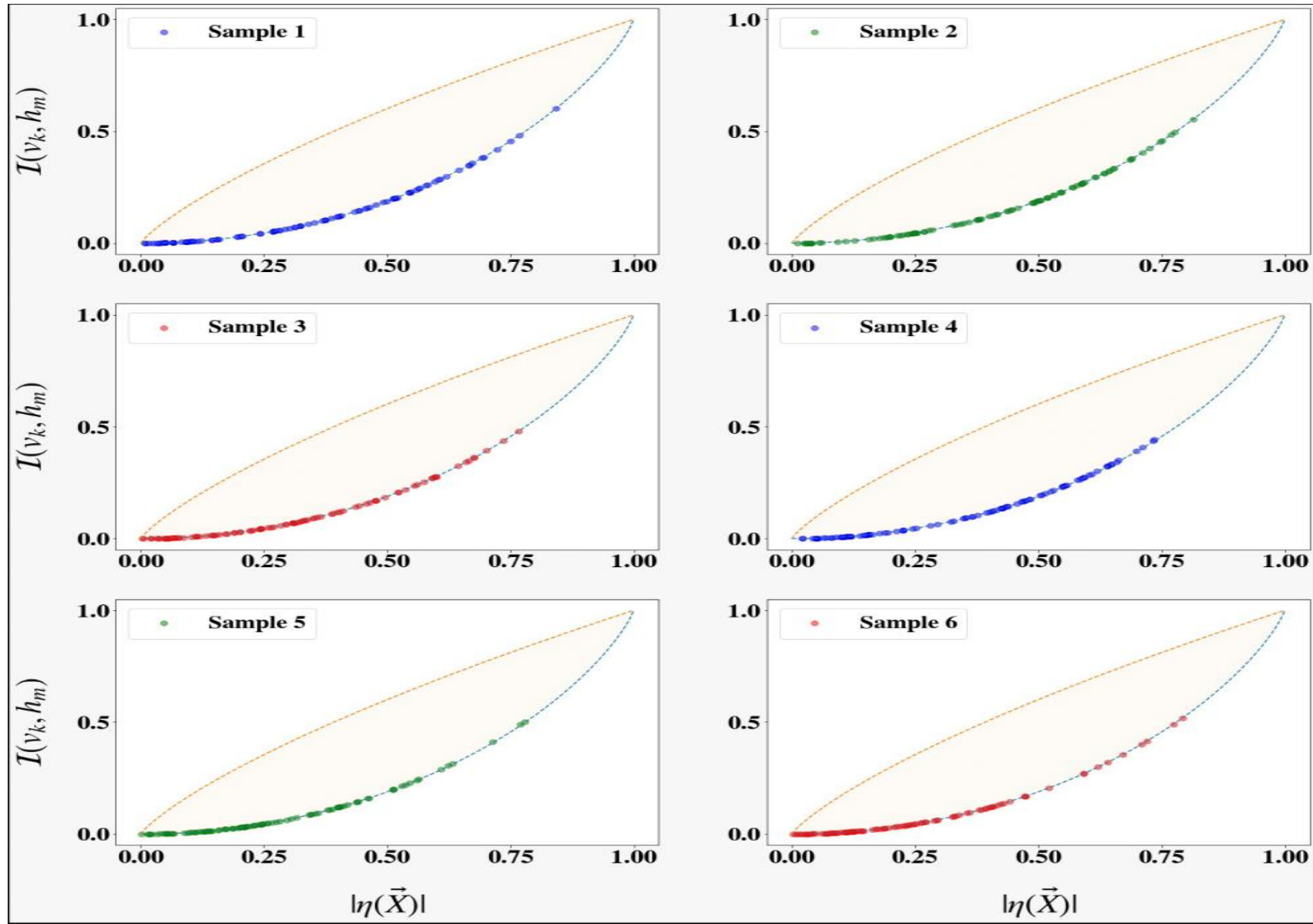




## Sherrington-Kirkpatrick model

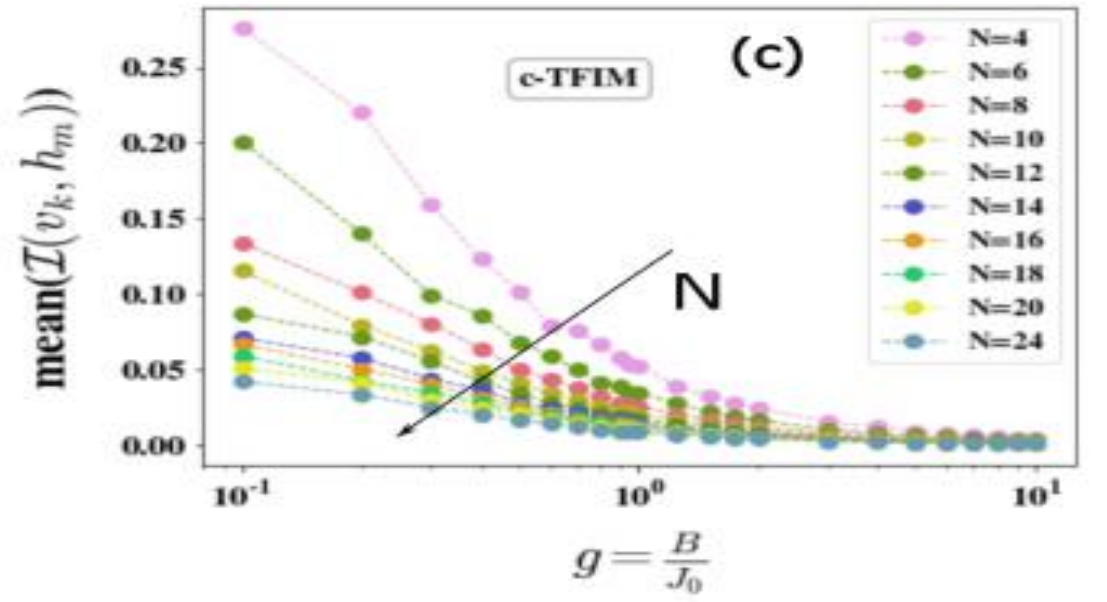
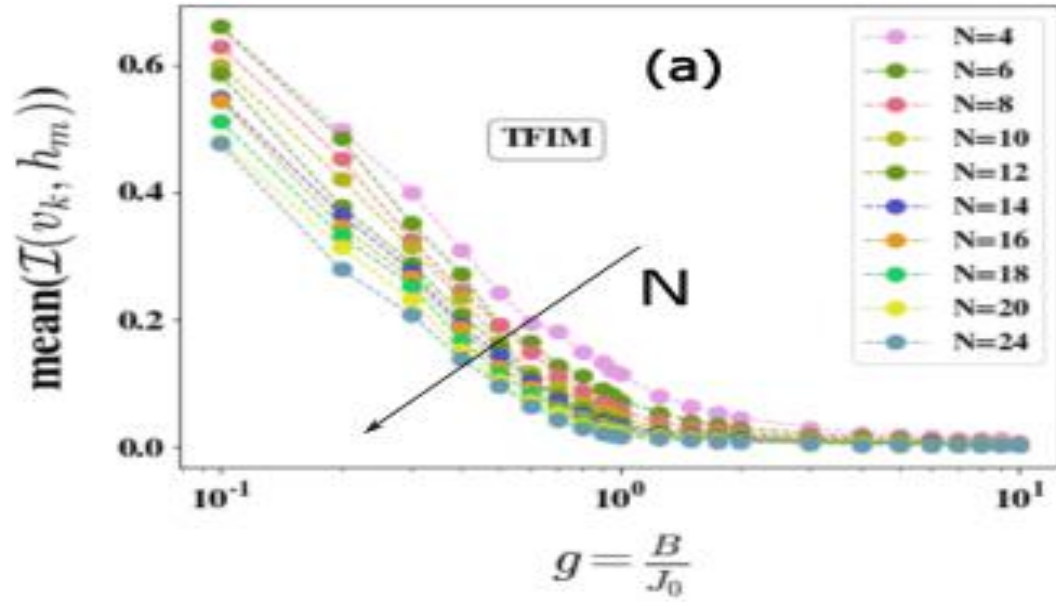
$$H_D = -B \sum_{i_d} \sigma^x(i_d) - \sum_{i_d j_d} J_{i_d j_d} \sigma^z(i_d) \sigma^z(j_d)$$

$J_{i_d j_d}$  are sampled from  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ .

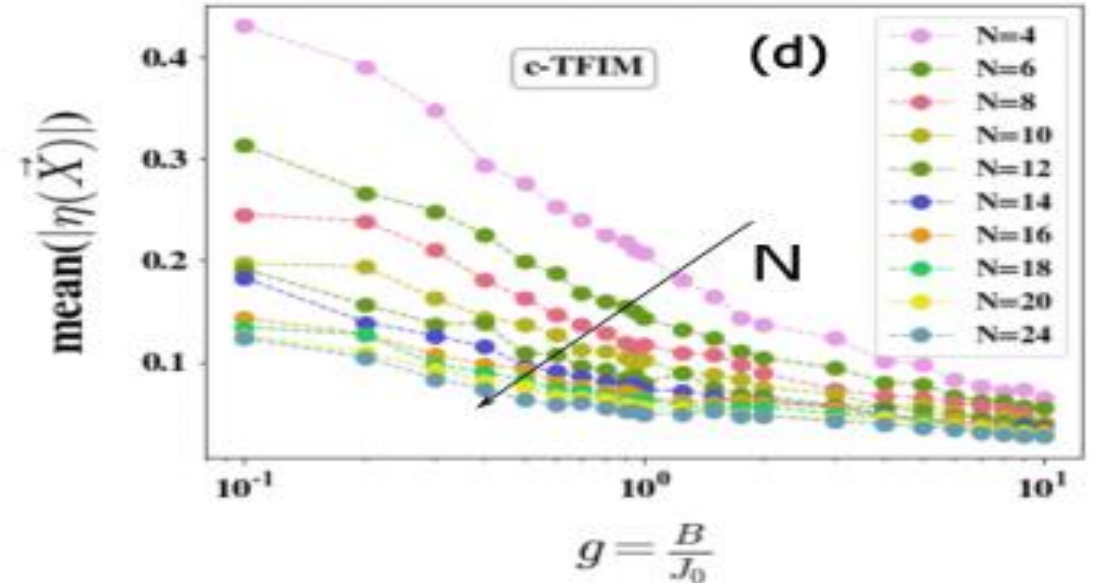
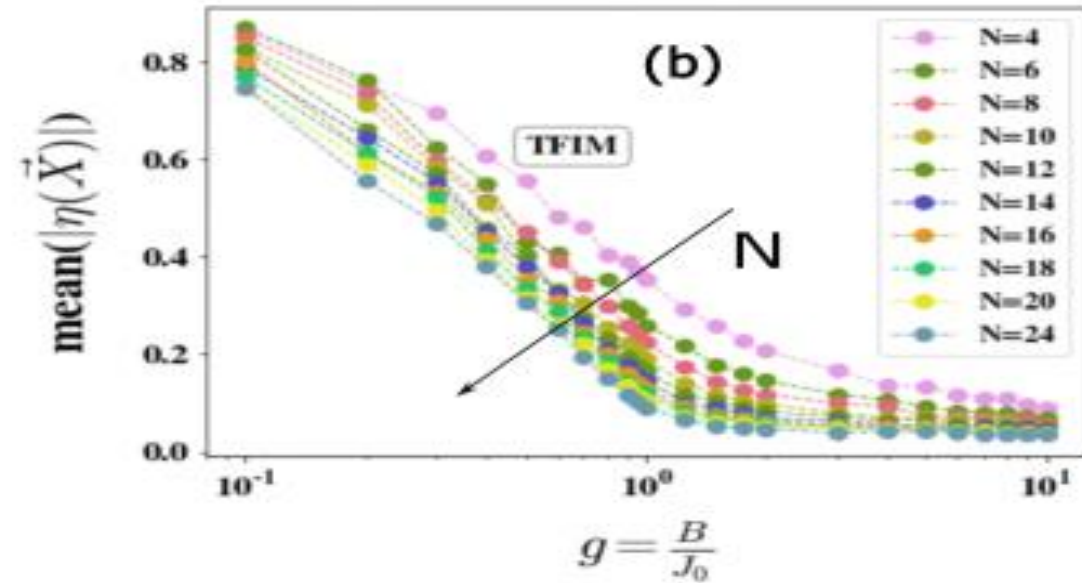


$$H = -B \sum_{i_d}^N \sigma^x(i_d) - \sum_{i_d j_d} J_{i_d j_d} \sigma^z(i_d) \sigma^z(j_d)$$

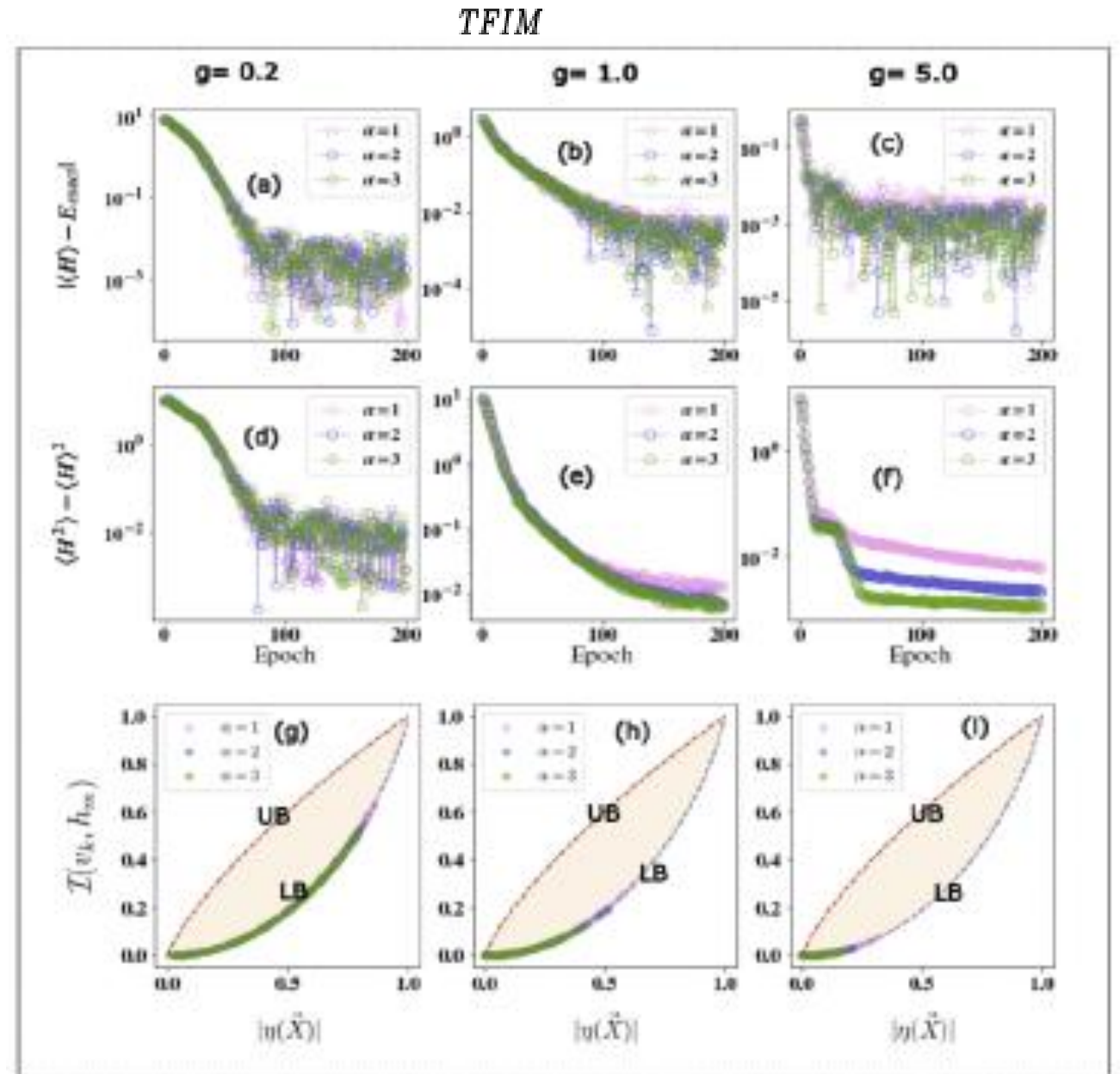
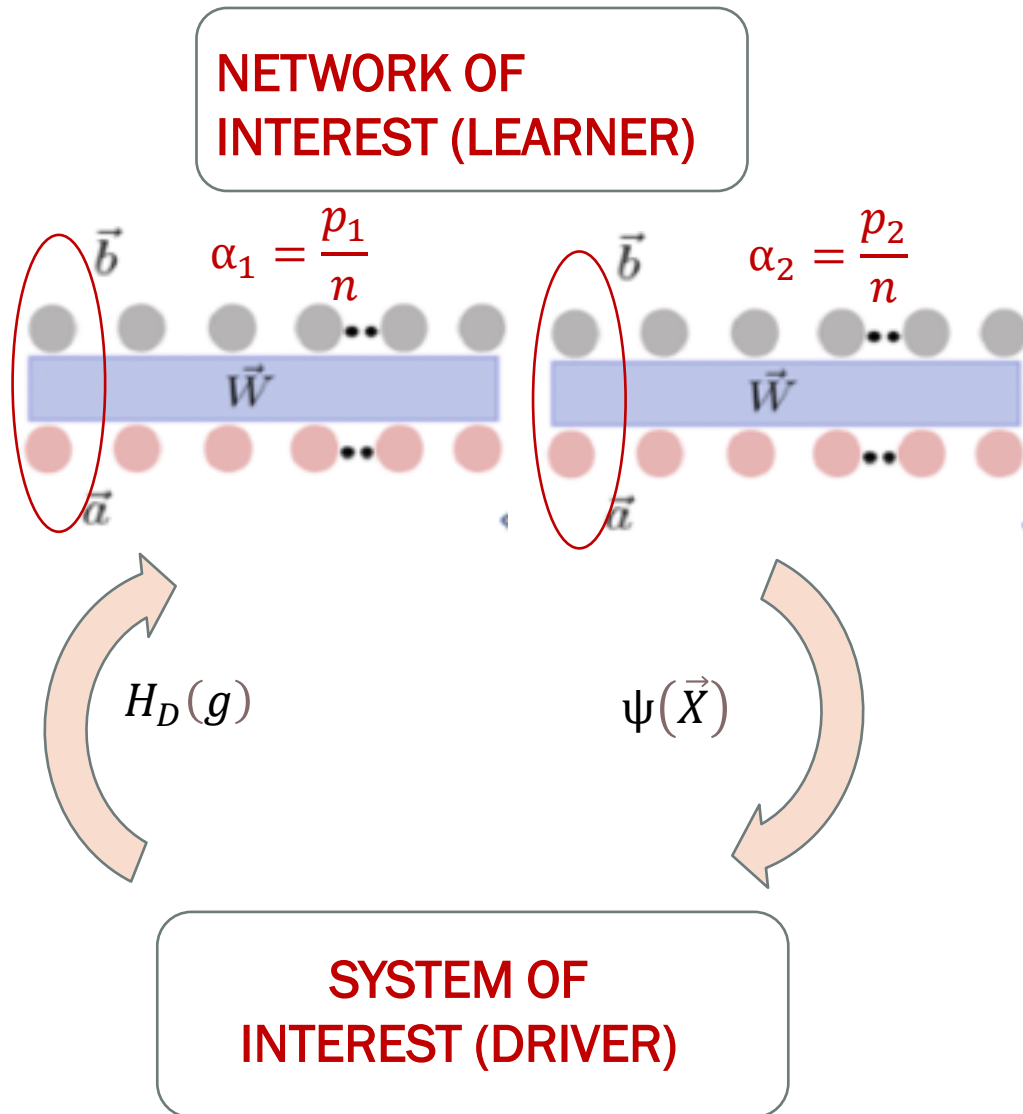
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# EFFECT OF HIDDEN NODE DENSITY



## Summary of OTOC Work

- We analytically illustrate that the imaginary components of OTOC can be related to mutual information
- We rigorously establish the mathematical bounds on such quantities respected by the dynamical evolution during training
- OTOC offers important insights into the training dynamics by unraveling how quantum information is scrambled through such a network introducing correlation among its constituent sub-systems

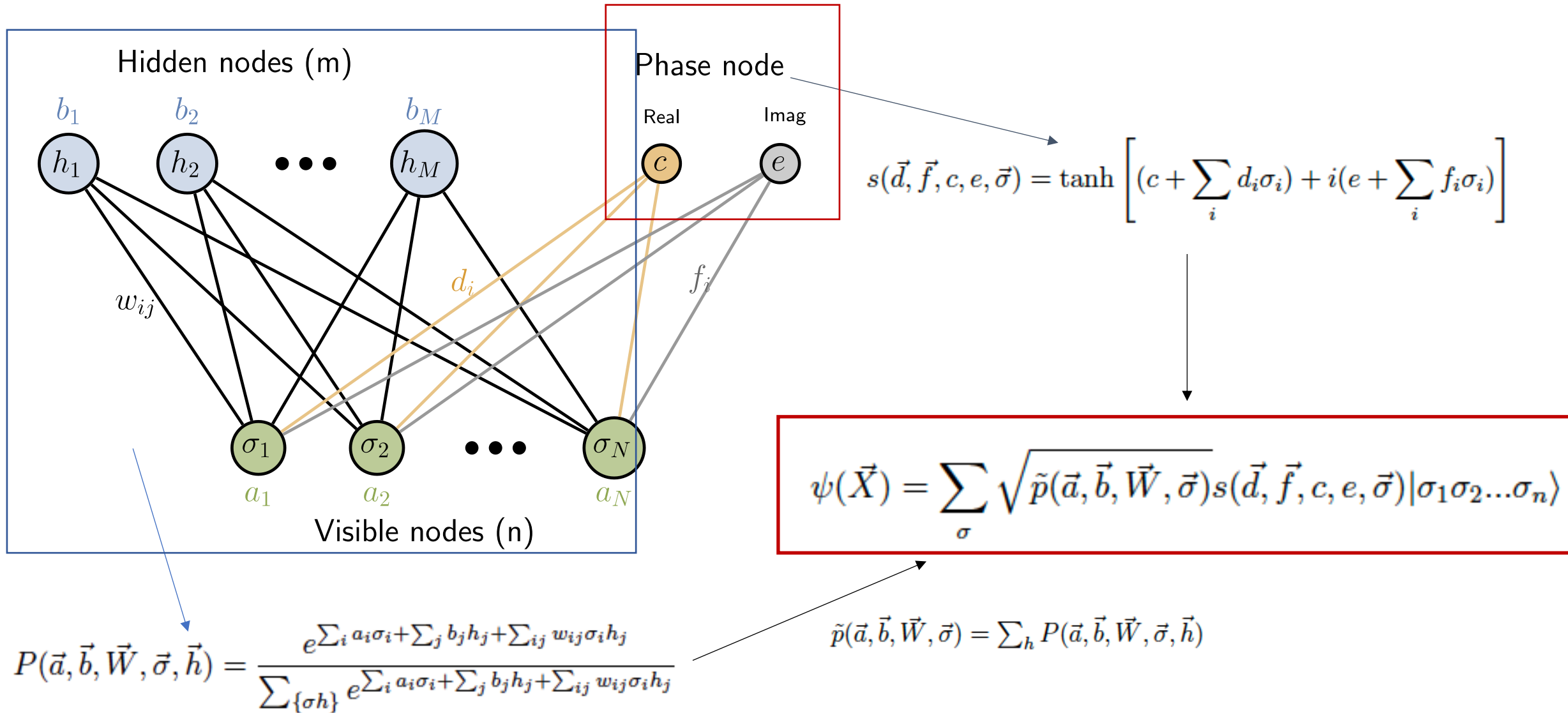
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## Future Work

- Is it possible to leverage power of quantum devices into the workflow? Do we see any advantage there?
- Can we design such a workflow for an arbitrary NQS given their structural diversity ?
- Can we make the NQS encode both amplitude and phase of the target and reduce storage keeping runtime and circuit requirements polynomial and do better than previous algos ?



# Quantum Machine Learning Algorithm



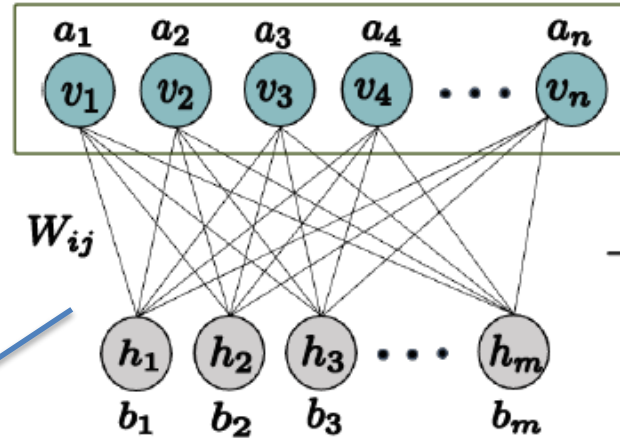
# Introducing surrogate networks- Generalizability to arbitrary NQS

Concrete example with a given Neural Quantum State ( NQS)

Original NQS- RBM

$$\rho_v^v(\vec{X}) \propto \kappa(\vec{v}, \vec{X}) \phi_{\vec{v}}(\vec{l}(\vec{X}), \vec{J}(\vec{X}))$$

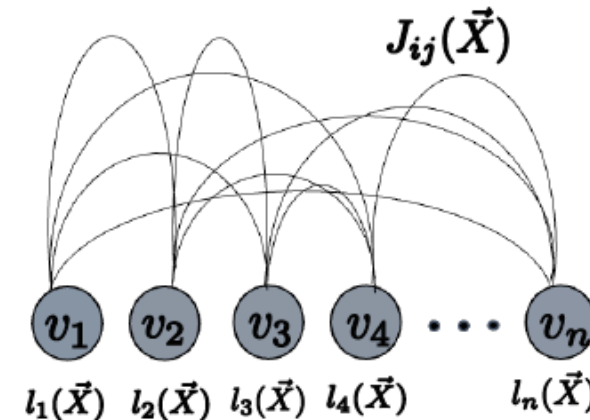
$G_1$



$$\vec{X} = (\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{W})$$

$G_2$

Surrogate for k=2



$$\rho_{v'}^v(\vec{X}) \propto e^{-\beta \sum_i a_i v_i + \sum_i a_i^* v_i'} \prod_{j=1}^m \Gamma_j(\vec{v}, \vec{b}, \vec{W}) \Gamma_j(\vec{v}', \vec{b}^*, \vec{W}^*)$$

$$\Gamma_j(\vec{v}, \vec{b}, \vec{W}) = \text{Cosh}(\beta b_j + \beta \sum_{i=1}^n W_{ij} v_i).$$

$$\phi_{\vec{v}}(\vec{l}(\vec{X}), \vec{J}(\vec{X})) \propto e^{-\beta \sum_i l_i(\vec{X}) v_i + \sum_{ij} J_{ij}(\vec{X}) v_i v_j}.$$



# Polynomially efficient quantum enabled variational Monte Carlo for training neural-network quantum states for physico-chemical applications

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# What do we achieve by defining a new surrogate ?

- We can map an arbitrary distribution associated with any NQS architecture to a single layer of neurons (surrogate) with certain connectivity pattern. This **lends generalizability**
- The **surrogate distribution is easy to sample**. We can use the form of the surrogate distribution to define a quantum enabled workflow for any NQS
- We can achieve variance reduction in the estimated observable using a proper choice of prefactor

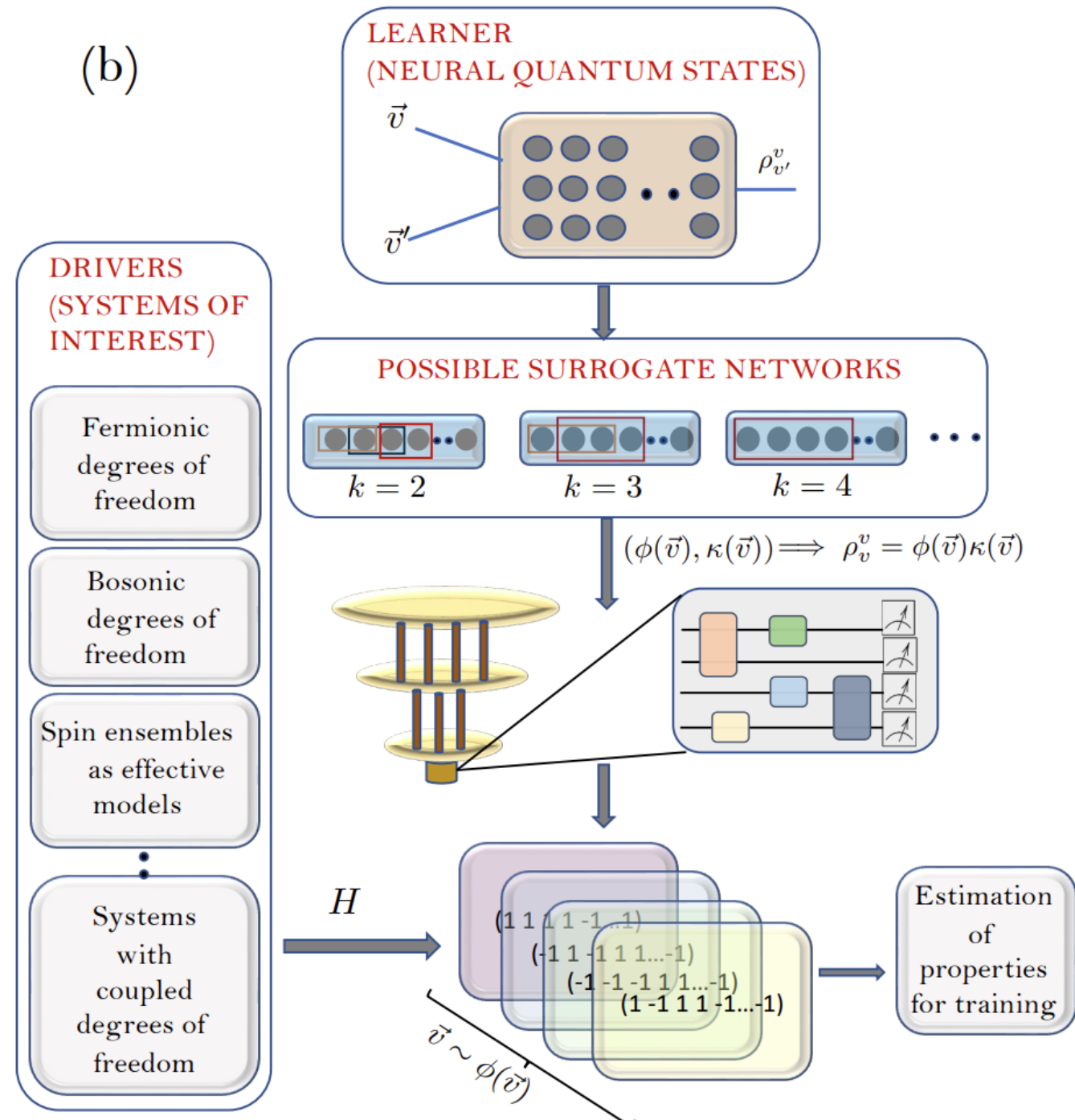
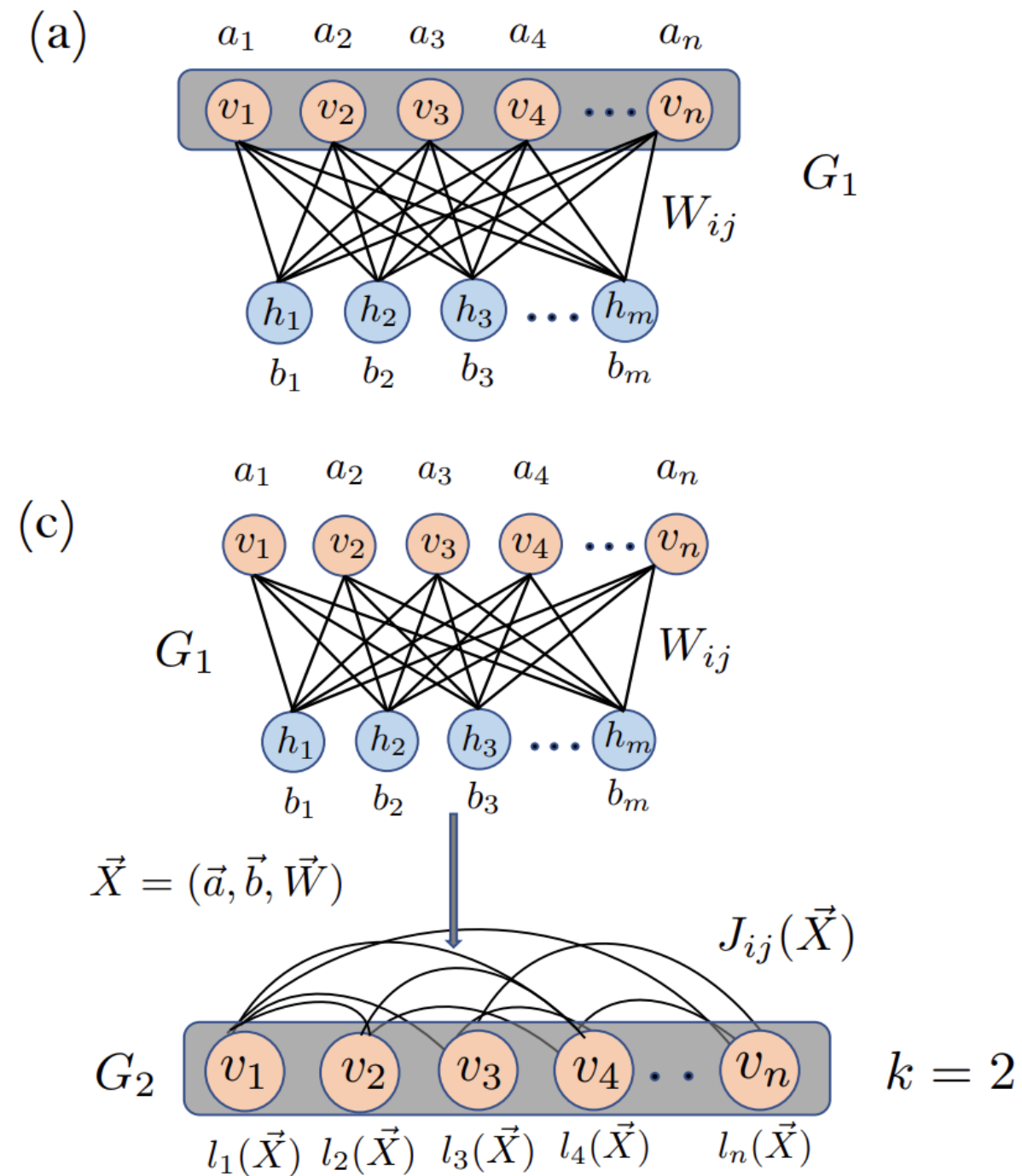
$$\rho_v^v(\vec{X}) \propto \kappa(\vec{v}, \vec{X}) \phi_{\vec{v}}(\vec{l}(\vec{X}), \vec{J}(\vec{X}))$$

Original NQS

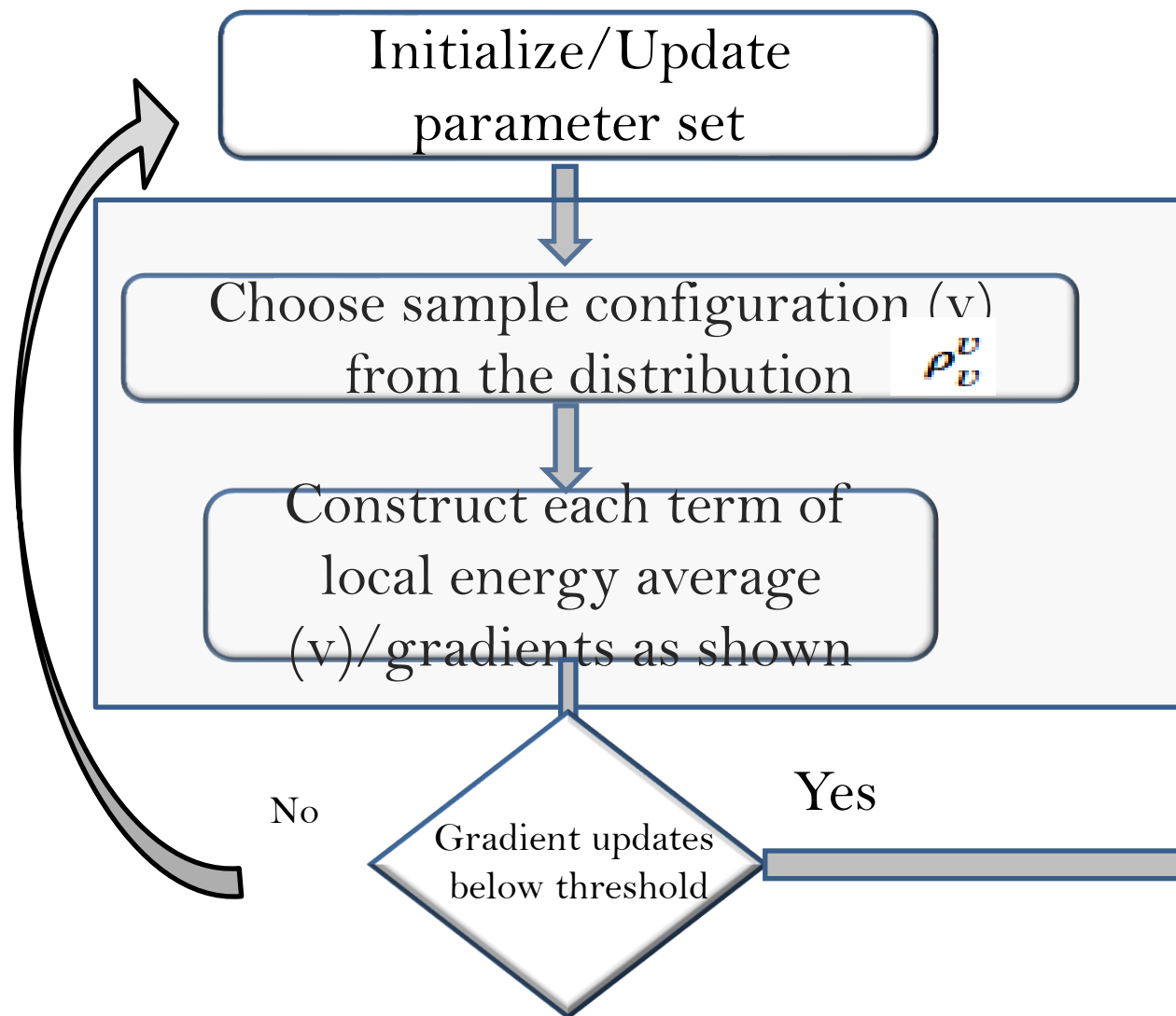
$$\langle H \rangle(\vec{X}) = \frac{\text{Tr}(\rho(\vec{X})H)}{\text{Tr}(\rho(\vec{X}))} = \sum_{\vec{v}} \frac{\rho_v^v(\vec{X}) E_{loc}(\vec{v}, \vec{X})}{\sum_{\vec{v}} \rho_v^v(\vec{X})}$$

Surrogate NQS

$$\begin{aligned} \langle H \rangle(\vec{X}) &\approx \frac{\sum_{\vec{v}} \kappa(\vec{v}, \vec{X}) \phi_{\vec{v}}(\vec{l}(\vec{X}), \vec{J}(\vec{X})) E_{loc}(\vec{v}, \vec{X})}{\sum_{\vec{v}} \kappa(\vec{v}, \vec{X}) \phi_{\vec{v}}(\vec{l}(\vec{X}), \vec{J}(\vec{X}))} \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ \mu_{\langle H \rangle(\vec{X})} &= \frac{\sum_{\vec{v} \sim \phi} \kappa(\vec{v}, \vec{X}) E_{loc}(\vec{v}, \vec{X})}{\sum_{\vec{v} \sim \phi} \kappa(\vec{v}, \vec{X})} \end{aligned}$$



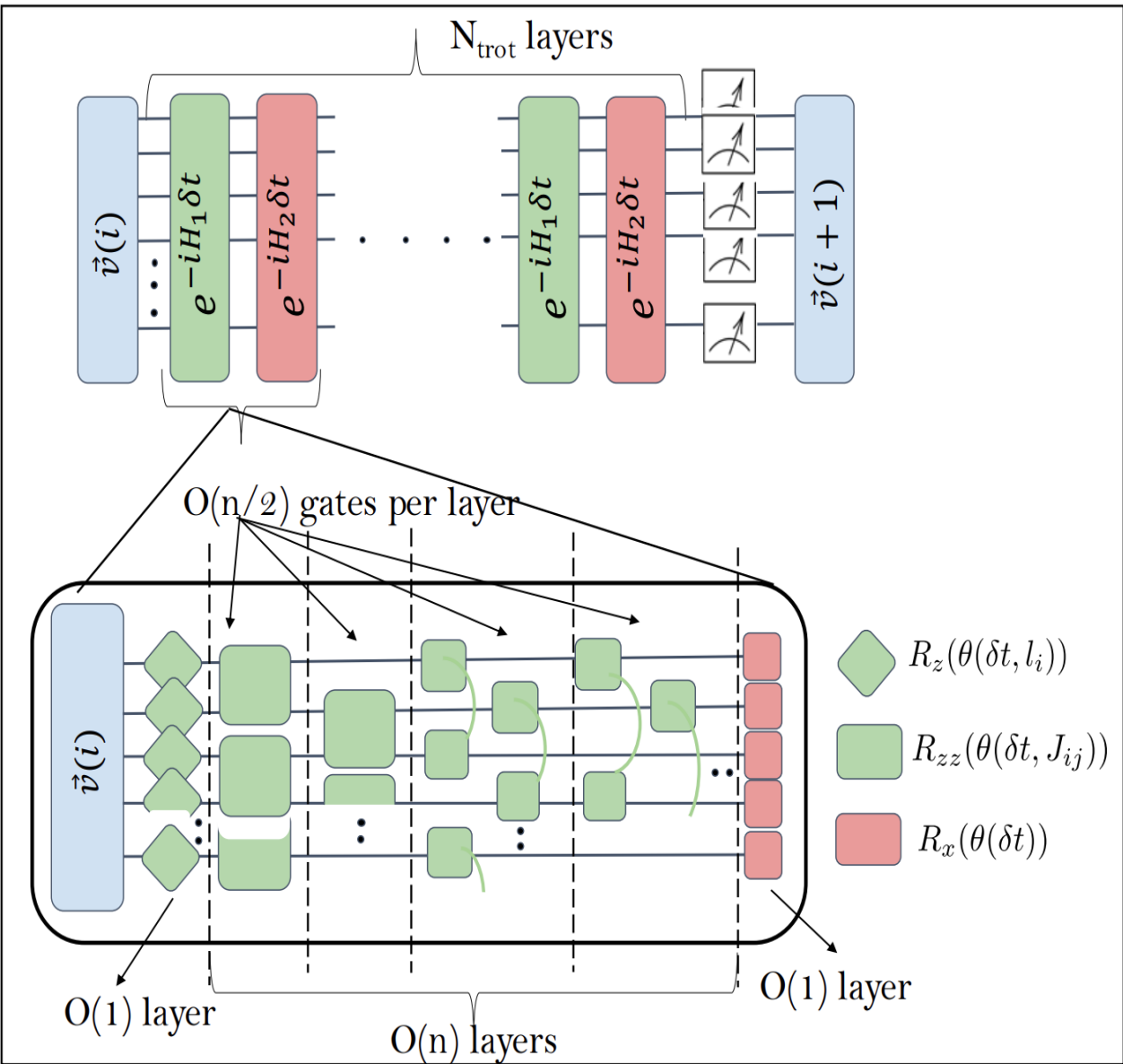
# Usual workflow for training to learn energy eigenstates



$$\langle H \rangle(\vec{X}) = \frac{\text{Tr}(\rho(\vec{X})H)}{\text{Tr}(\rho(\vec{X}))} = \sum_{\vec{v}} \frac{\rho_v^v(\vec{X}) E_{loc}(\vec{v}, \vec{X})}{\sum_{\vec{v}} \rho_v^v(\vec{X})}$$

where  $E_{loc}(\vec{v}, \vec{X}) = \frac{\sum_{v'} H_{v'}^v \rho_{v'}^v(\vec{X})}{\rho_v^v(\vec{X})}$  is the local energy.

Print converged  
local energy  
average



# qubits	Gate depth	# measurement
$O(n)$	$O(n)$	$O(Ns)$ (samples drawn)

Our algorithm requires Rzz and single qubit gates to be implemented. Since each Rzz has 2 CNOT, so CNOT depth is  $O(2n)$

### Comparison with previous known algorithm

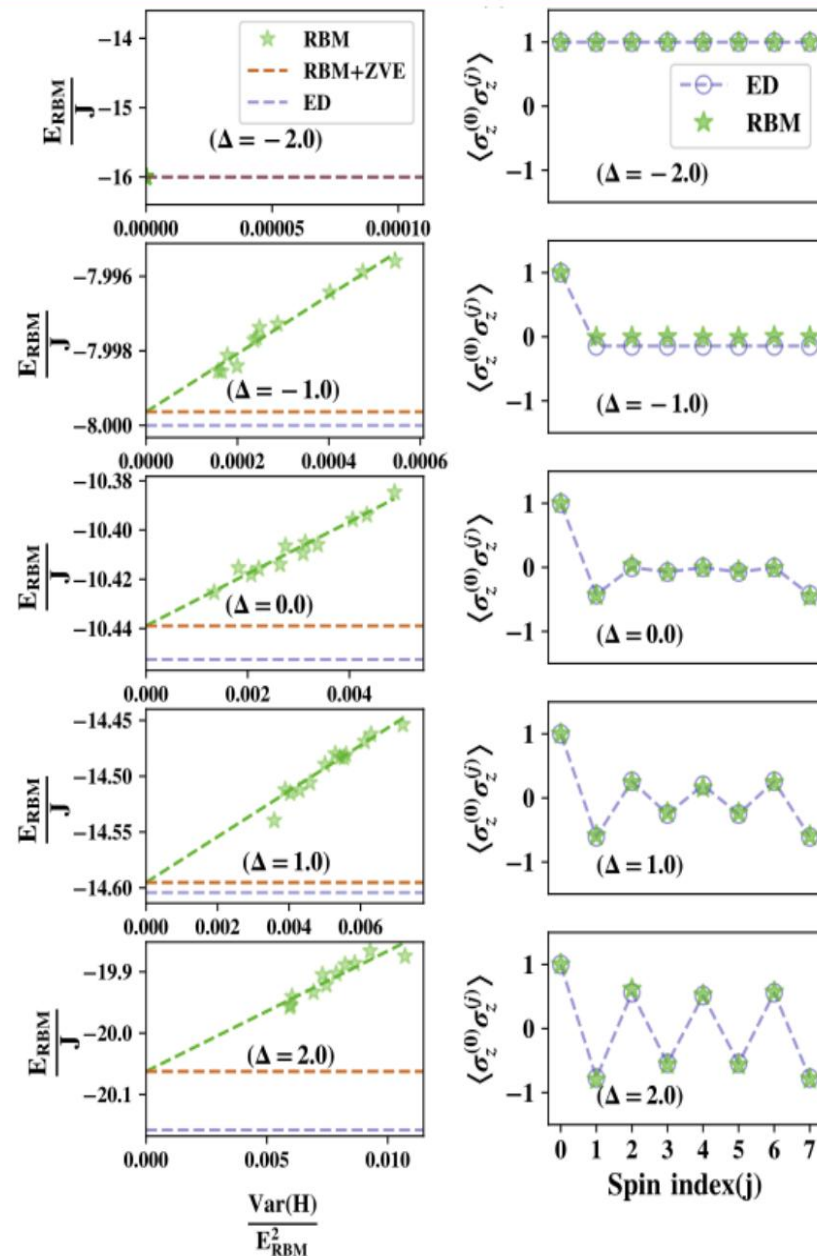
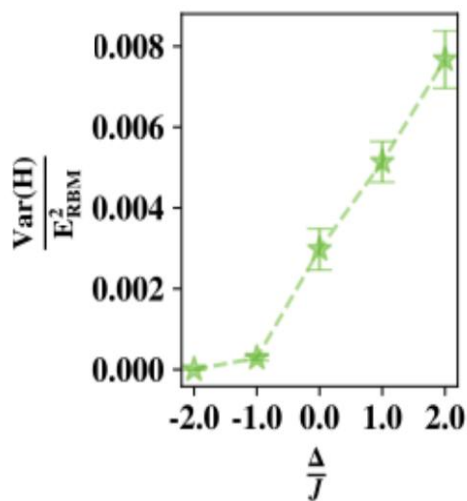
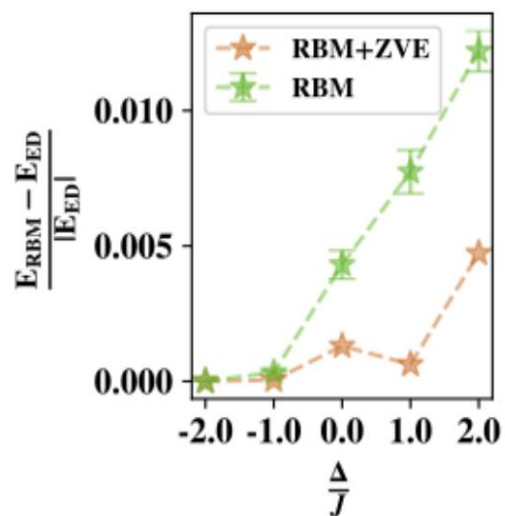
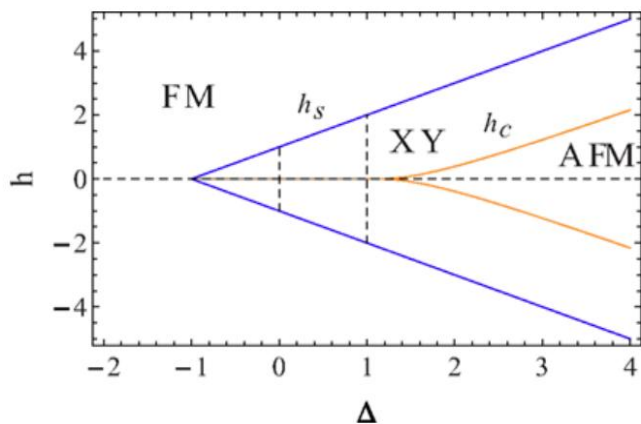
# qubits	Gate depth	# measurement
$O(m+n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^4)$

Best known quantum variational algorithms for chemistry – like those using UCCSD ansatz has depth of  $O(n^4)$  and  $O(n^4)$  parameters yet achieves comparable accuracy. For other ansatz types like HEA, HVA the depth is problem dependent and they are often less expressive .

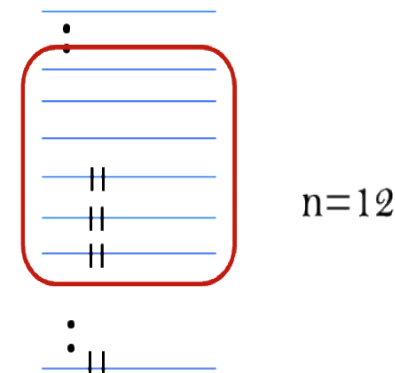
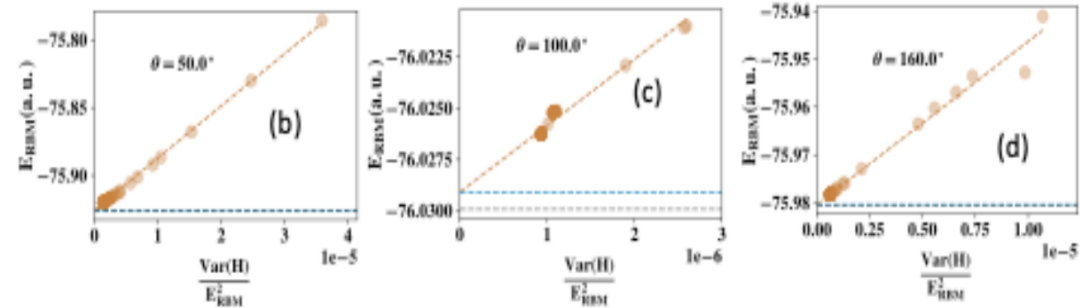
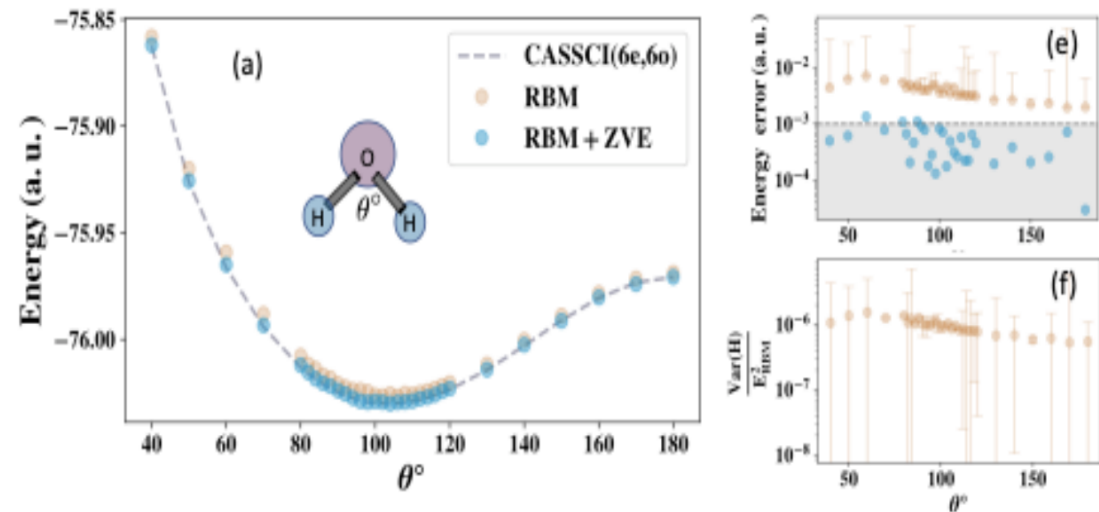
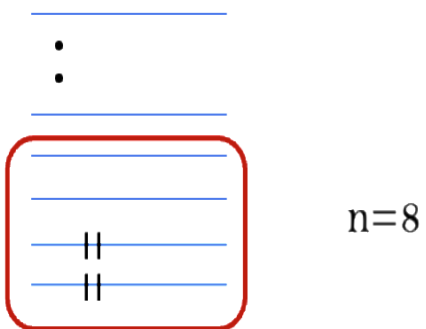
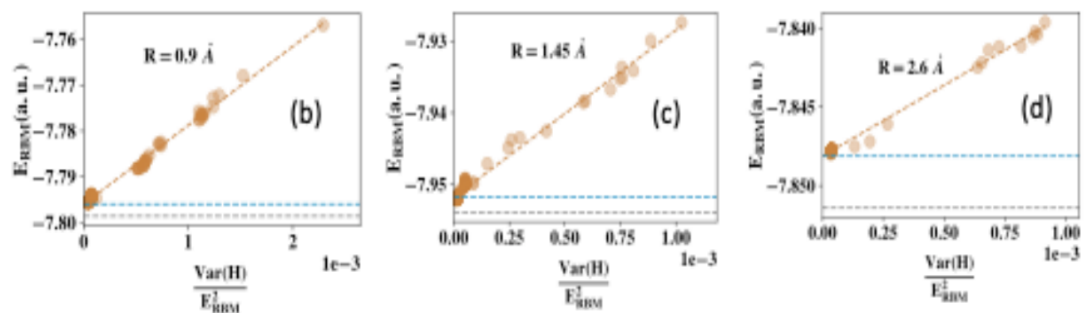
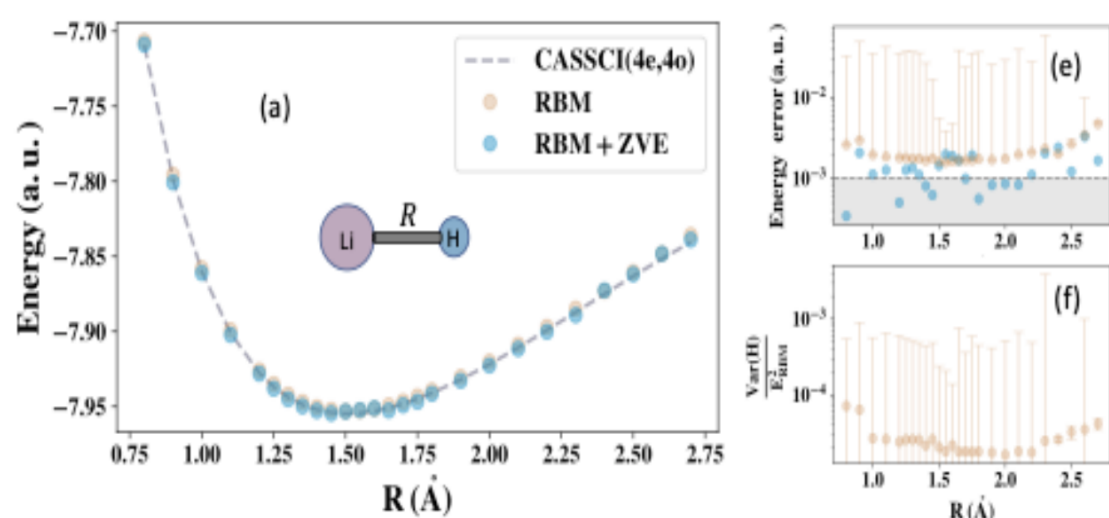


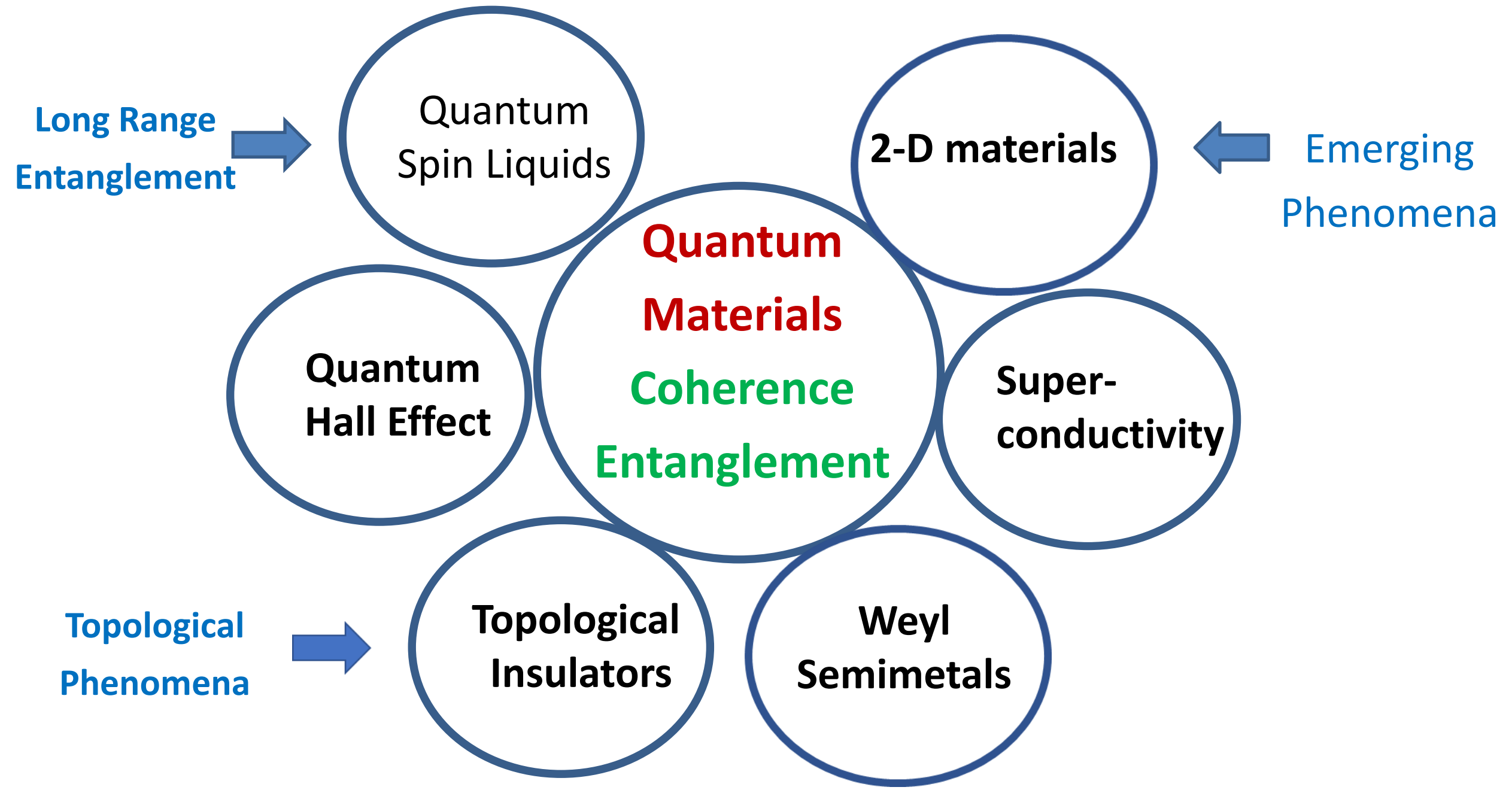
# Applications (Ground state learning in XXZ)

$$H = J \sum_{i=1}^N [\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y + \Delta \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z] - 2h \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i^z$$



# Applications (Ground potential energy surface learning in molecular systems)



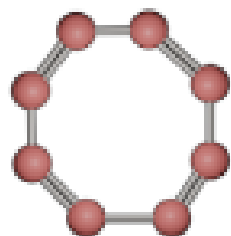




# Foray into the topology of poly-bi-[8]-annulenylene

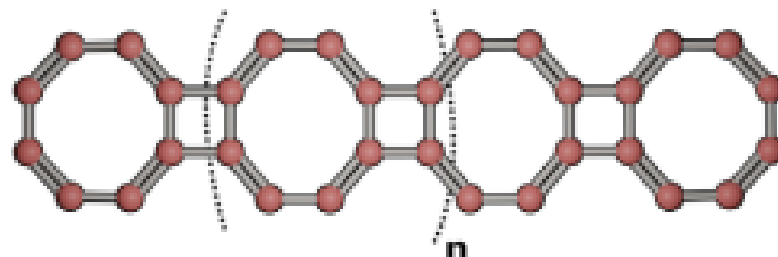
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Cyclooctatetraene



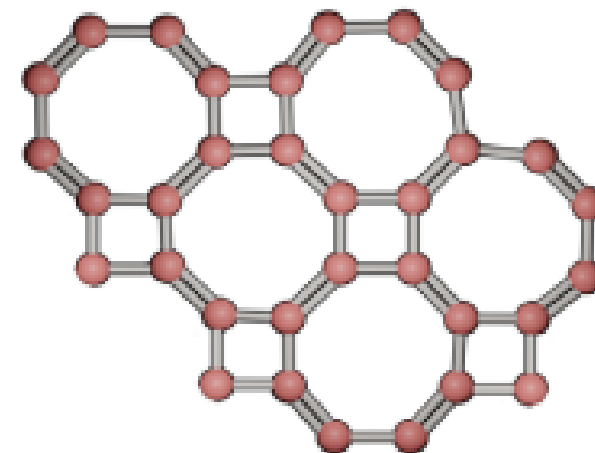
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poly-bi-[8]-annulenylene (1-D)

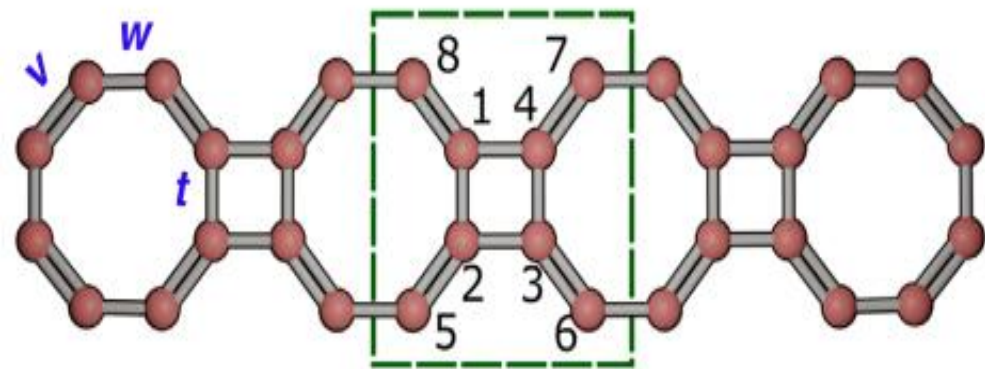


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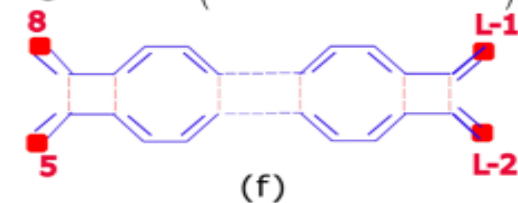
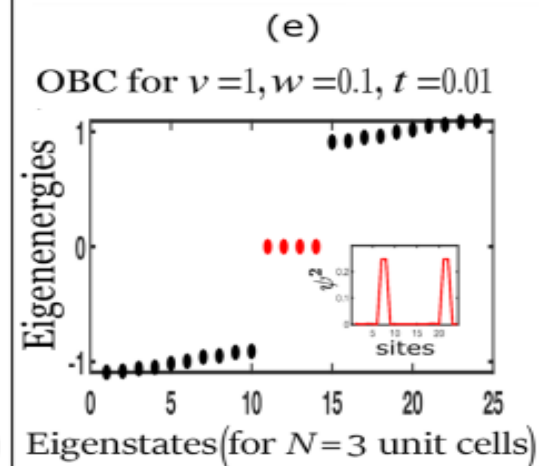
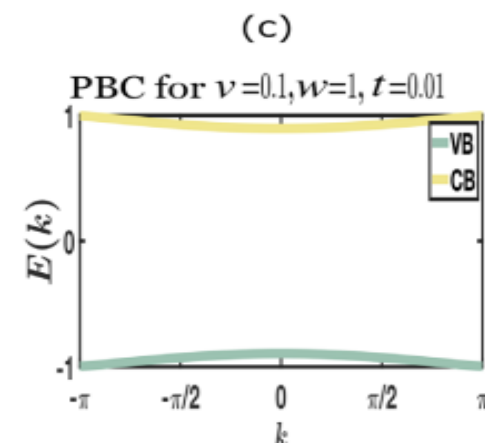
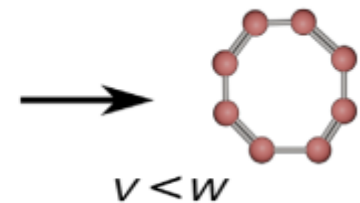
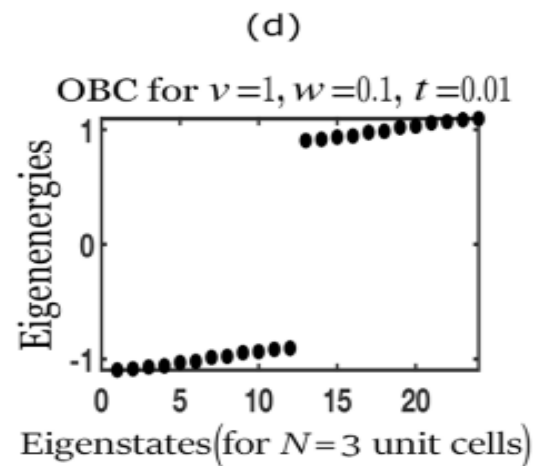
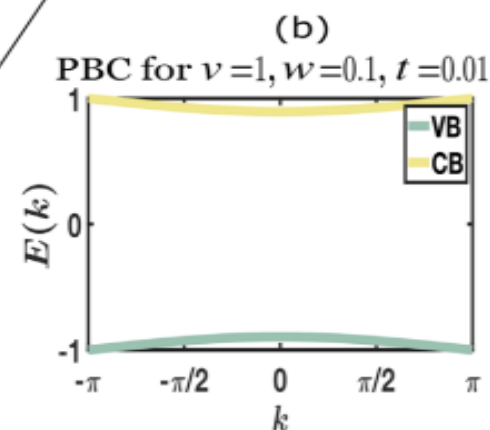
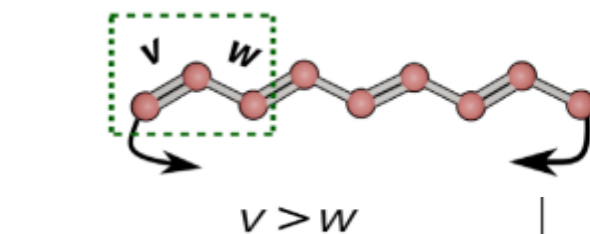
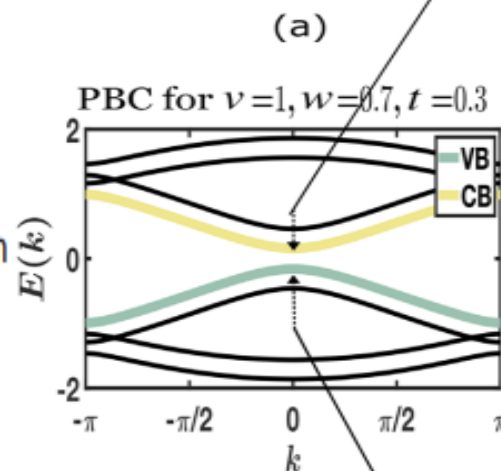
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## Poly-bi-[8]-annulenylene in one dimension

For poly-bi-[8]-annulenylene, the unit cell marked in green has eight sites. The Hamiltonian of the model is as follows:

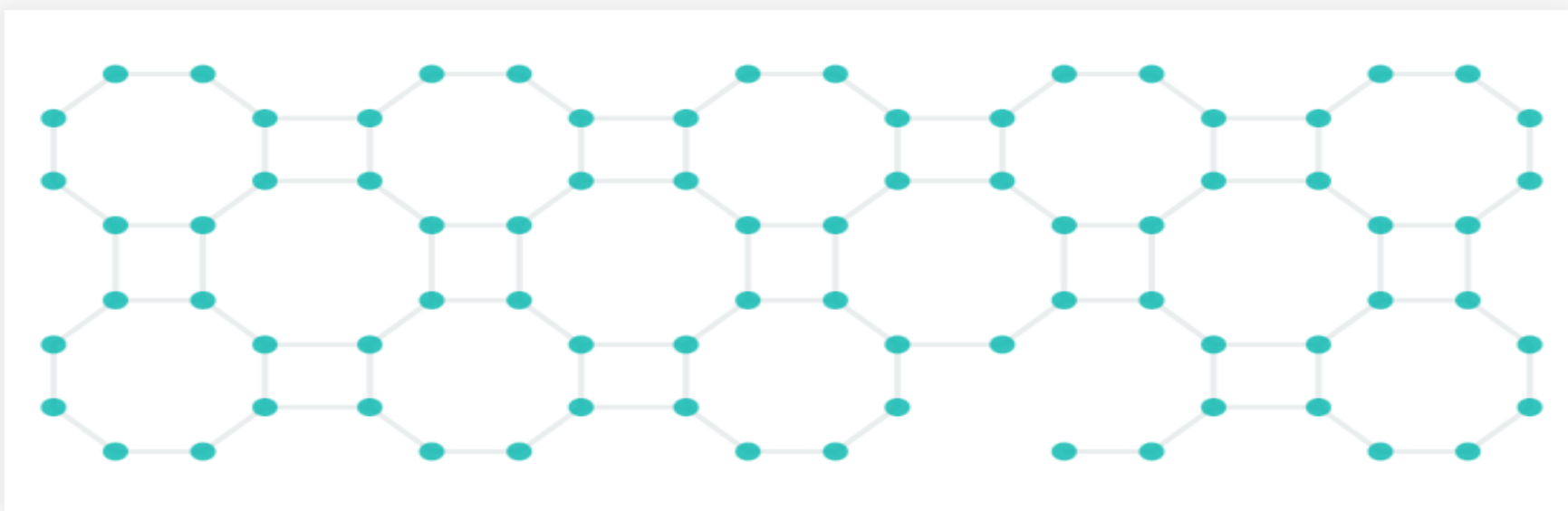
$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{\text{PO}[8]A} = & \sum_{r=1}^N [-v(c_{r,1}^\dagger c_{r,8} + c_{r,4}^\dagger c_{r,7} \\
 & + c_{r,2}^\dagger c_{r,5}) - w(c_{r,1}^\dagger c_{r,4} + c_{r,2}^\dagger c_{r,3}) \\
 & - t(c_{r,1}^\dagger c_{r,2} + c_{r,4}^\dagger c_{r,3})] + h.c.,
 \end{aligned}$$



**Cheryl D, Stevenson JPD. Cyclooctatetraene-based cathode for electrochemical cells. 2010. US Patent US20100288628A1.**

# Rigetti Systems

## Aspen-M-3 Quantum Processor



# Conclusions

- Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM) can be used to perform electronic structure calculations: **H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, LiH, h-BN, graphene, Molybdenum disulfide(MoS<sub>2</sub>) and Tungsten disulfide (WS<sub>2</sub>)**
- We have quadratic resource requirements (**circuit width, circuit depth, parameter count**).
- FSS combined with RBM can be used to implement **quantum phase transitions** on quantum devices.
- We trained the network on various flavors of computation using not only a classical computer, Qasm quantum simulator in Qiskit **but also a real IBMQ machine**
- Our algorithm demonstrated **very high accuracy** when compared to the exact values obtained from direct diagonalization.
- QML is a promising approach for treating **open quantum dynamics problems**

**Strikingly, the RBM representation for these states is remarkably efficient, in the sense that the number of nonzero parameters scales only linearly with the system size**

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