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Efforts Towards the Quantum Simulation of Non-Abelian Gauge Theories



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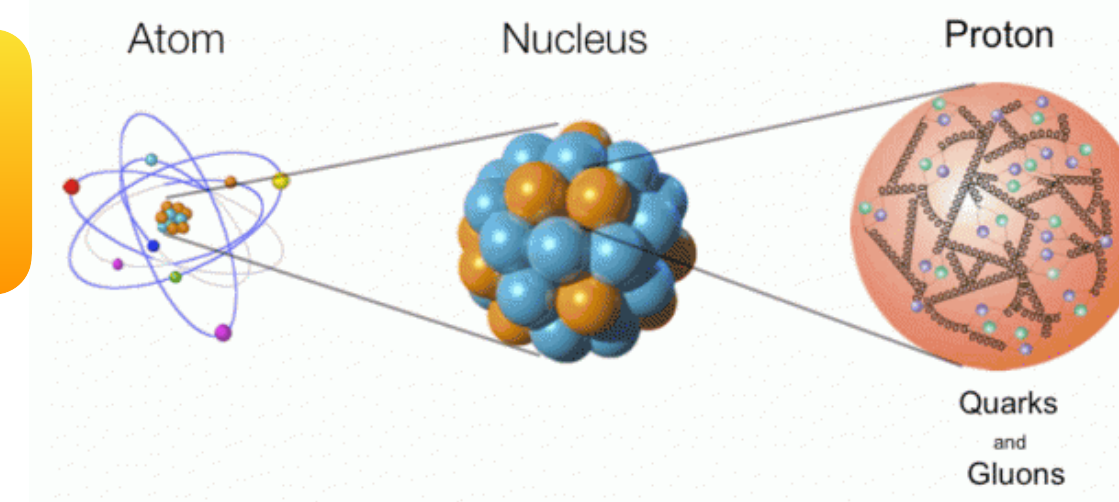
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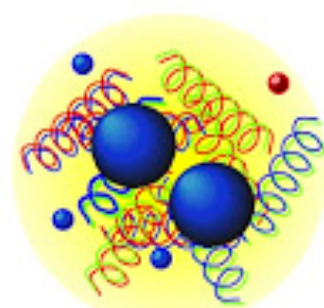
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Strong Interaction

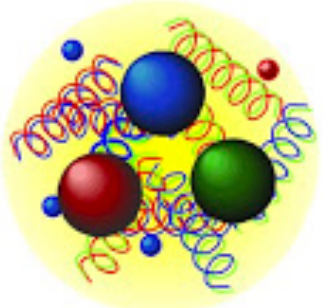


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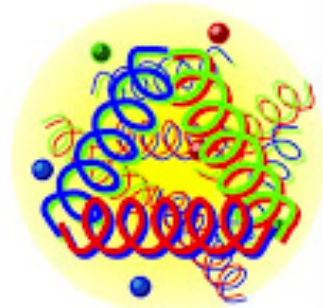
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meson



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glueball?

GOAL

Quantum simulating or
quantum computing
for Lattice QCD

Quantum Chromodynamics

LATTICE QCD

Largest Supercomputers

- LGT: Gauge theory formulated on space-time lattice (Wilson'74).
- Non-perturbative calculations using classical computational techniques: an extremely useful tool for nuclear and particle physics.
- **Certain inaccessible regime: SIGN PROBLEM.**
- **Real time dynamics** is non-trivial to compute/ simulate in Euclidean formalism-Monte Carlo simulation.
- **Quantum Simulation is expected to be useful!**

The Pi0 cluster at Fermilab.



The 12s cluster at JLab.

and
many
more..

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Lattice gauge theory Computations

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- Requires different theoretical framework.
- Addressed different objectives
- Computational Methods are entirely different.

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Hamiltonian formulation of Wilson's lattice gauge theories

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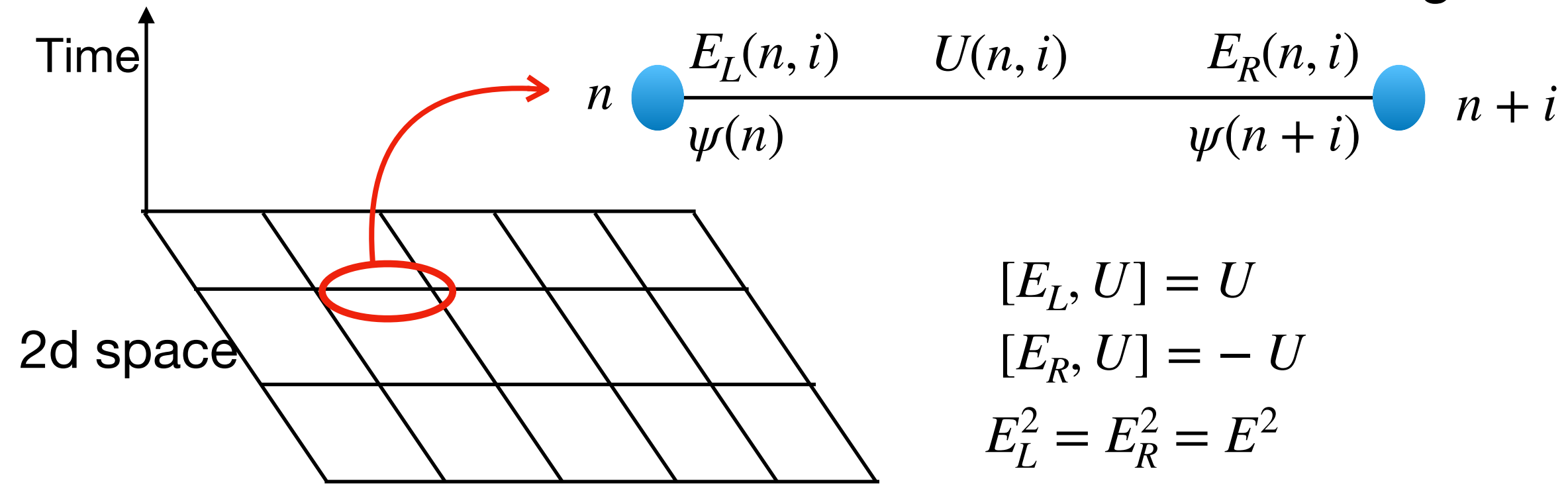
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Wilson's lattice gauge model is presented as a canonical Hamiltonian theory. The structure of the model is reduced to the interactions of an infinite collection of coupled rigid rotators. The gauge-invariant configuration space consists of a collection of strings with quarks at their ends. The strings are lines of non-Abelian electric flux. In the strong-coupling limit the dynamics is best described in terms of these strings. Quark confinement is a result of the inability to break a string without producing a pair.

Framework: Hamiltonian Formalism

Kogut-Susskind '74



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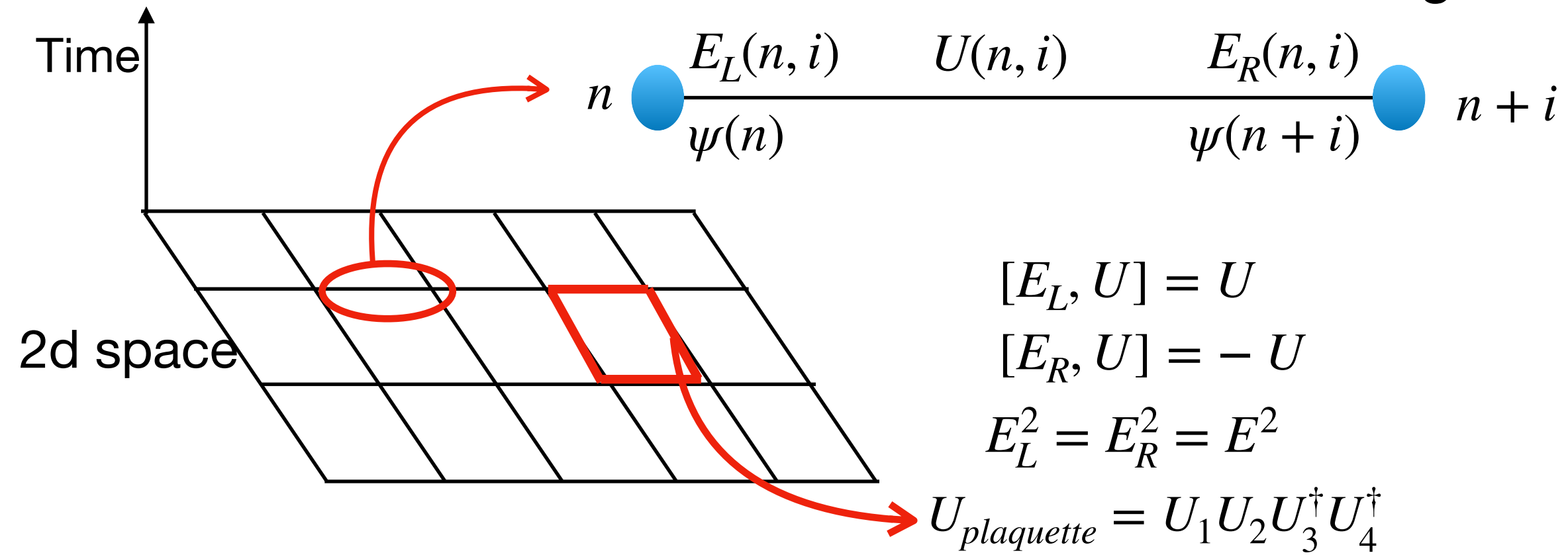
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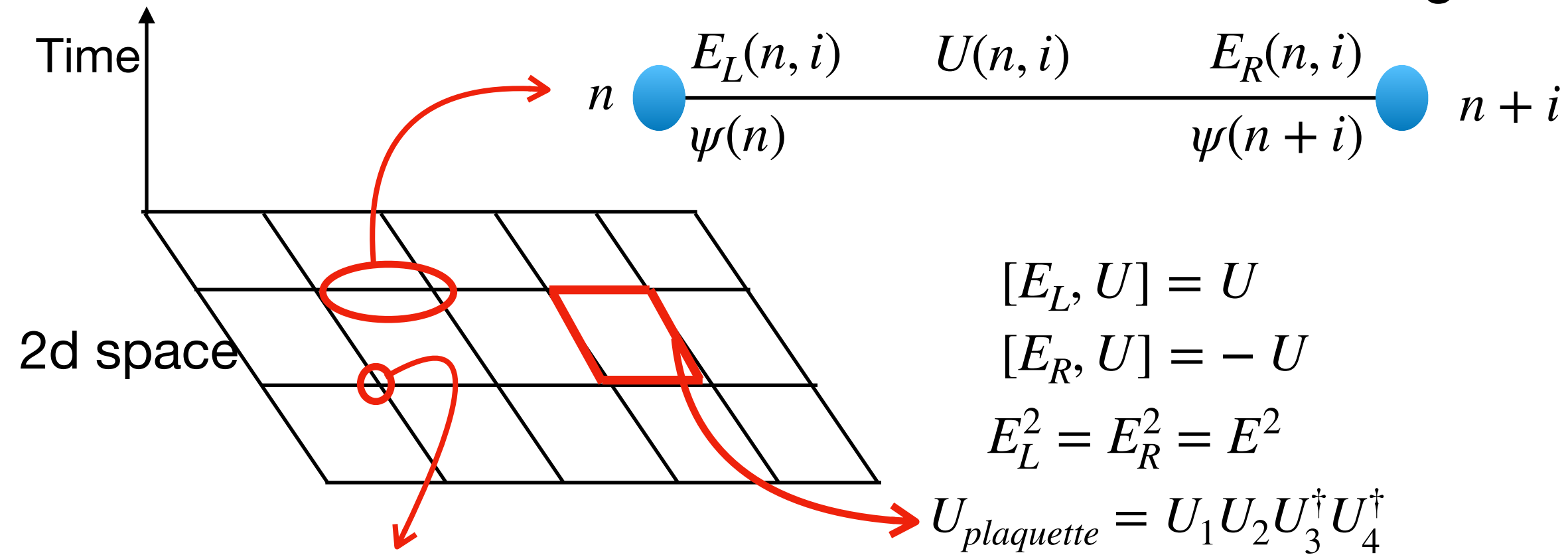
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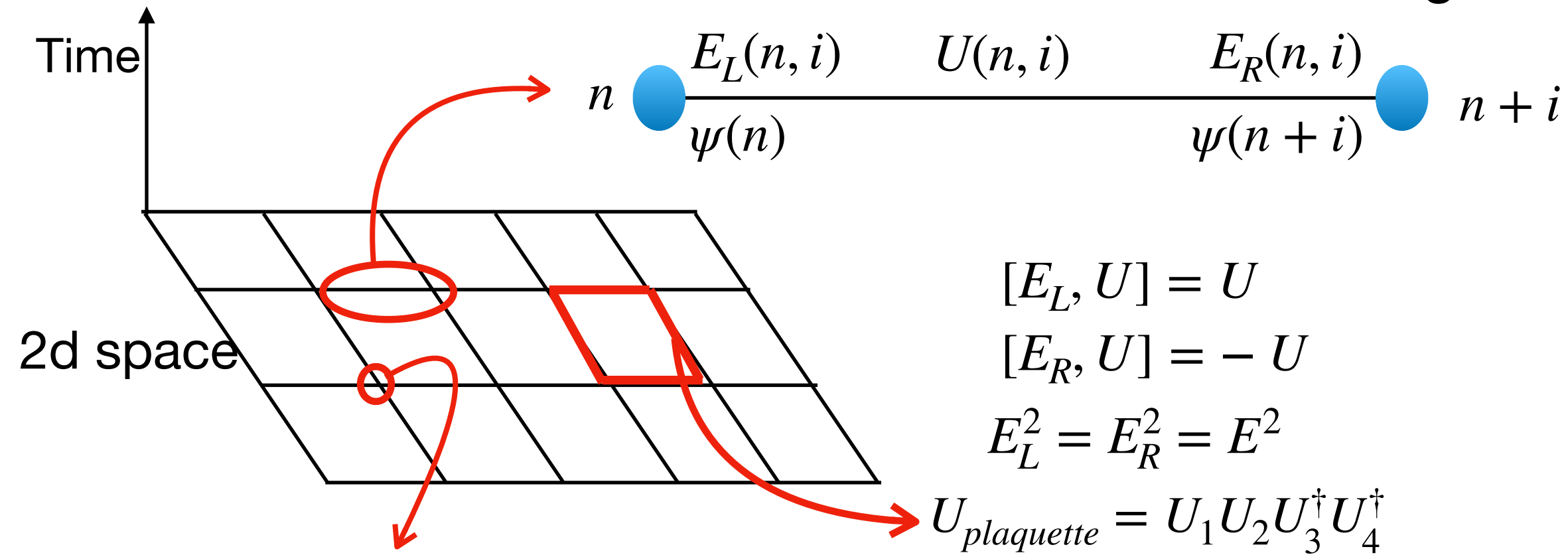
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Strong Coupling Basis:

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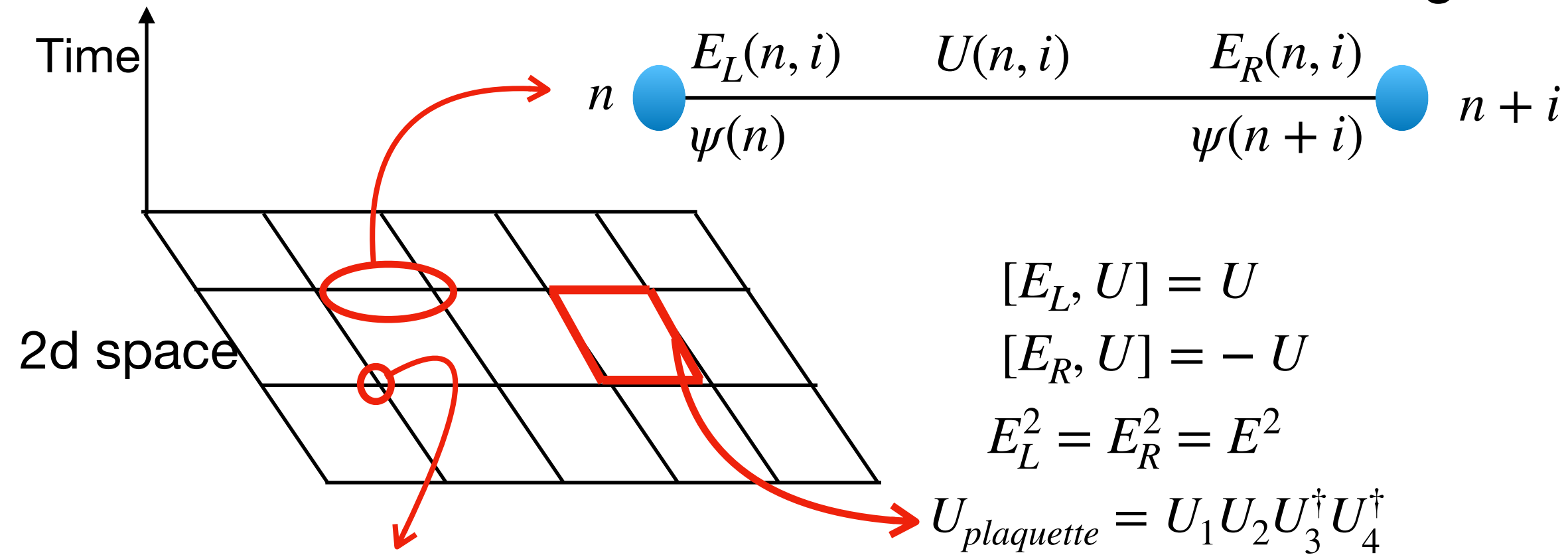
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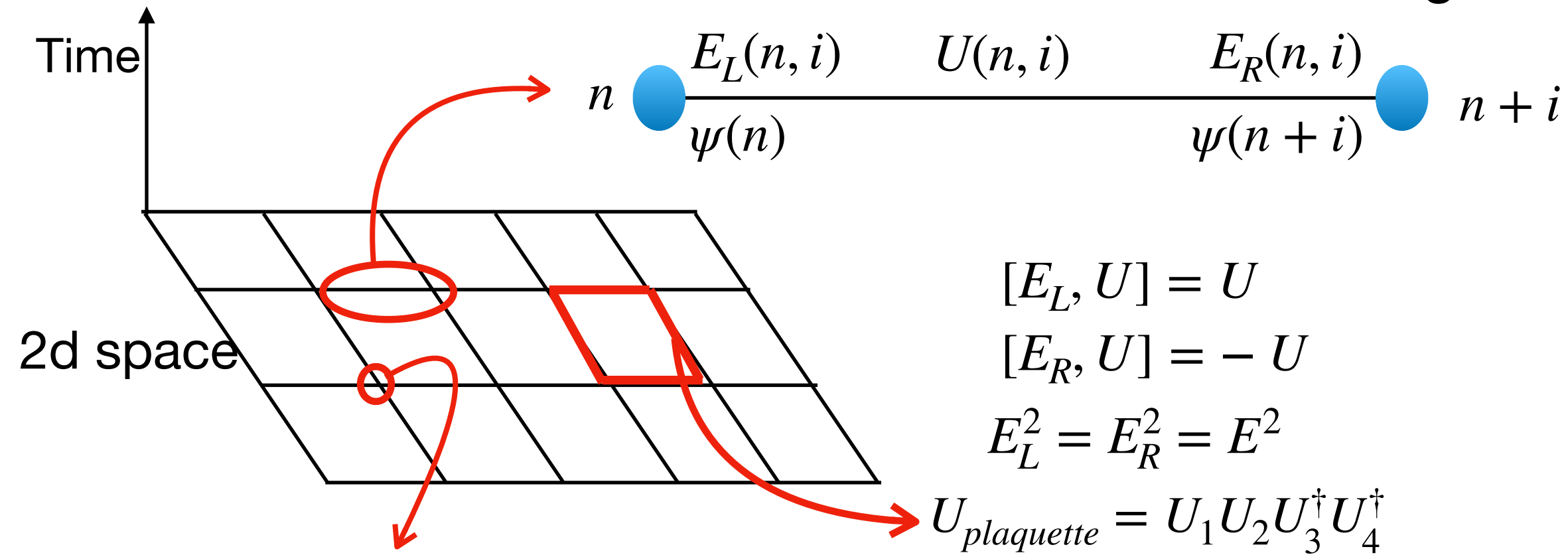
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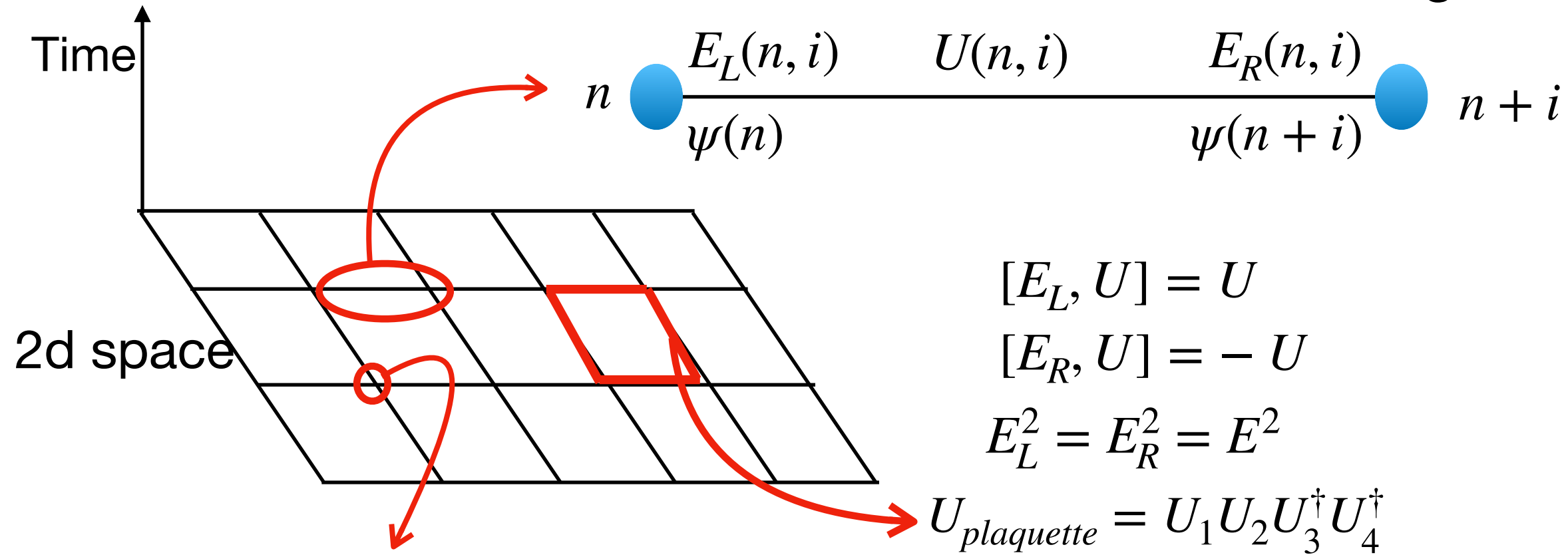
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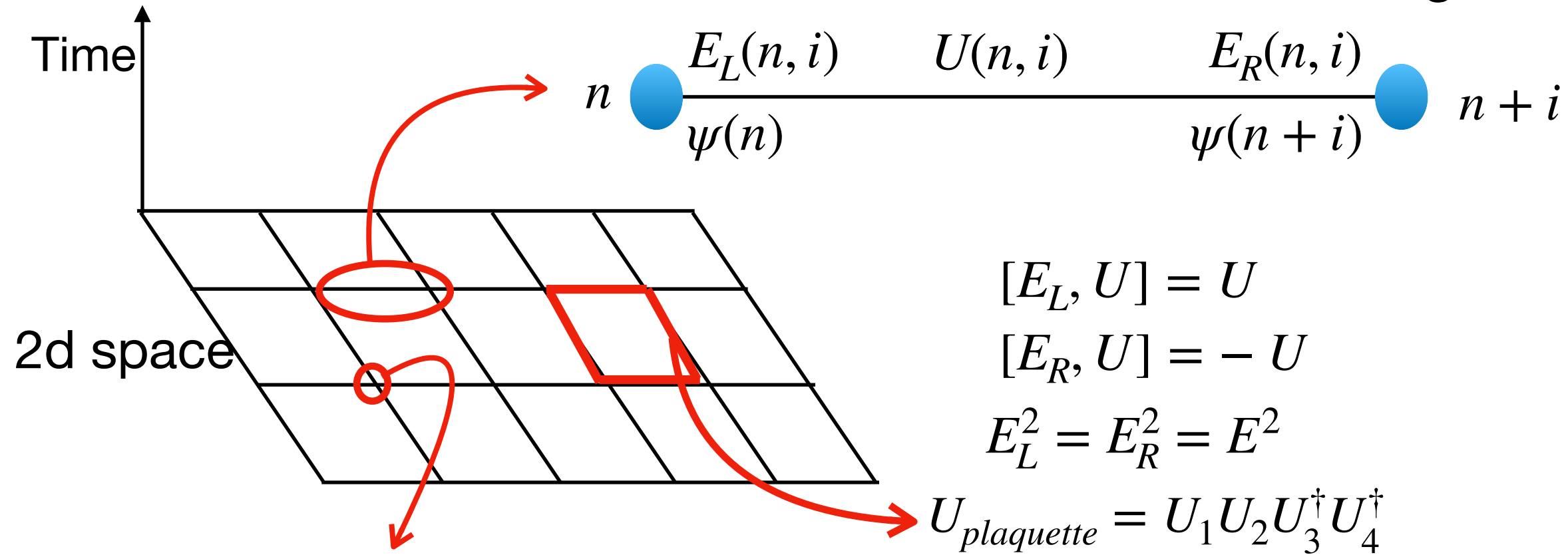
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Report on Progress

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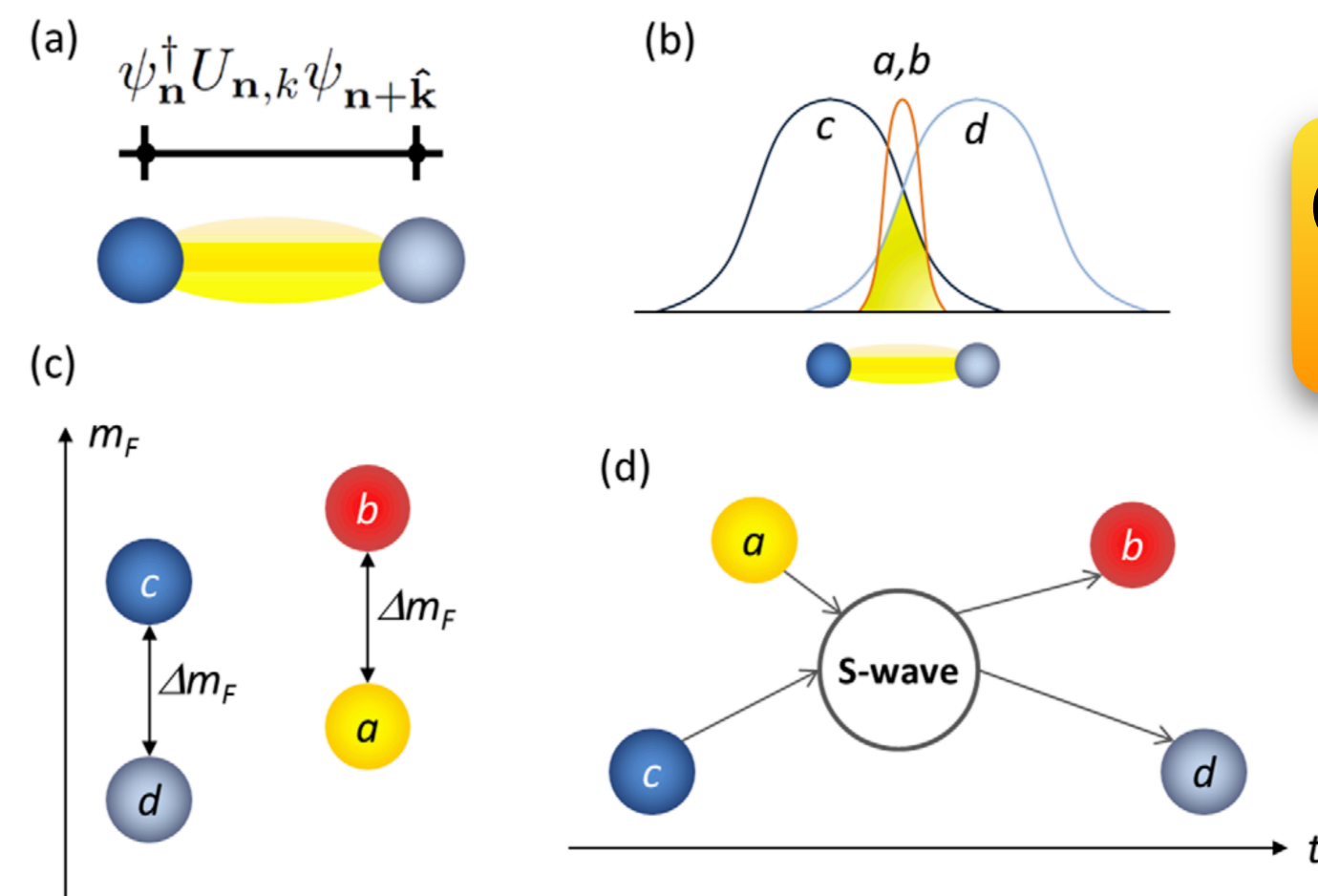


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Cold-Atom Quantum Simulator for SU(2) Yang-Mills Lattice Gauge Theory

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Uses prepotential formalism for gauge fields

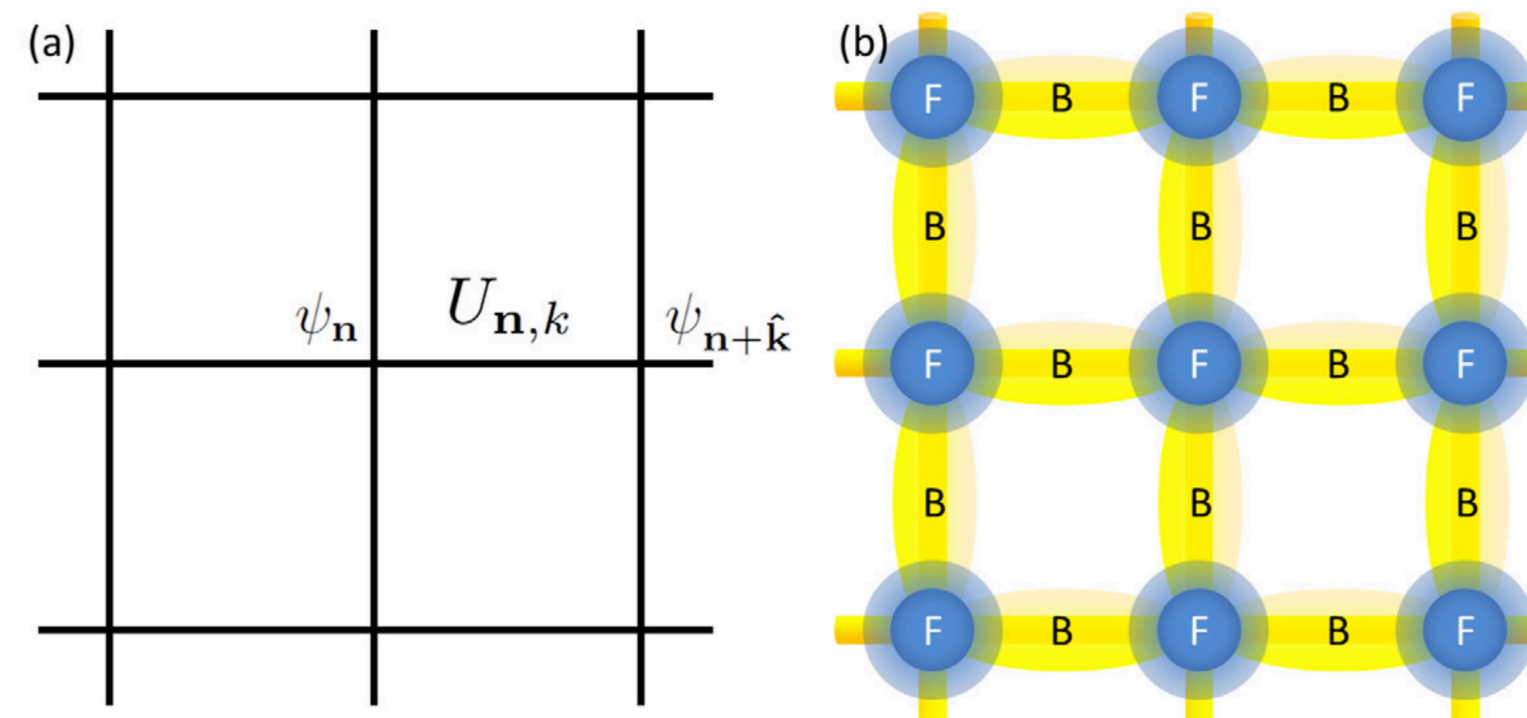


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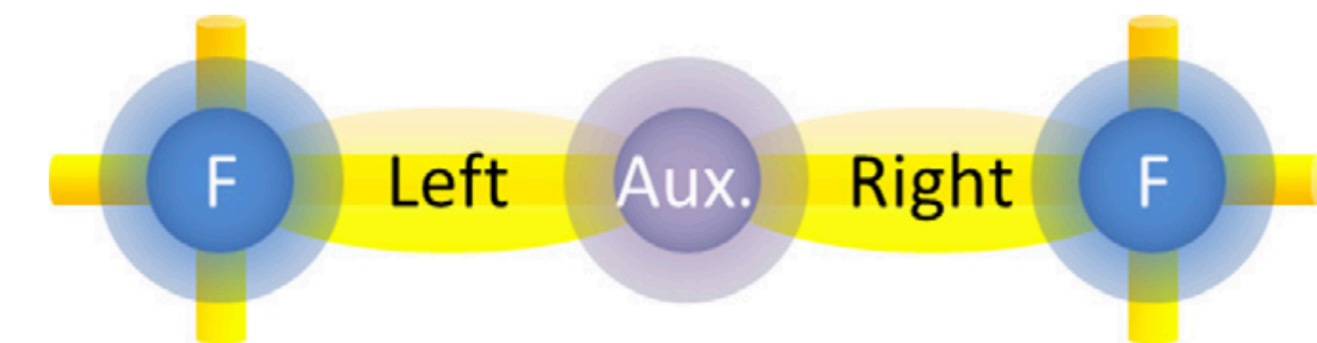


Figure 10. Structure of the non-Abelian lattice atomic simulator in the prepotential method: the simulated link is decomposed into two pieces, tied together by an auxiliary fermion.

Gauge invariance \equiv conservation of angular momentum in a scattering event

Plaquette term is simulated at the 4th order effective Hamiltonian of the simulating system

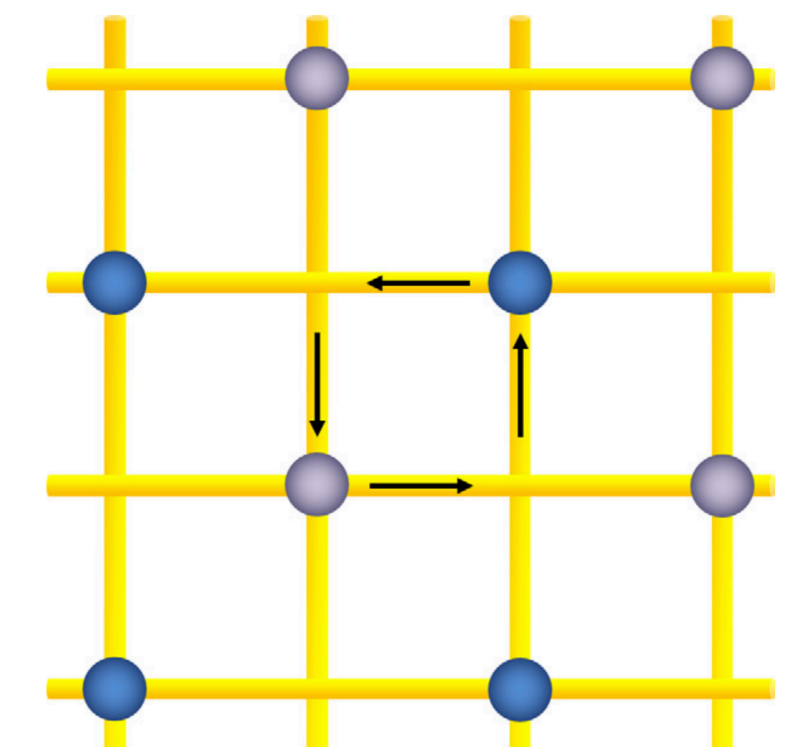


Figure 13. The loop method: heavy, ancillary fermions (of two types, represented by the colour) are constrained energetically to occupy certain vertices. Virtual loops of such fermions (as in the middle plaquette), carrying the gauge degrees of freedom along with them, generate the plaquette terms. For further details refer to [121].

Atomic Quantum Simulation of $U(N)$ and $SU(N)$ Non-Abelian Lattice Gauge Theories

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Using ultracold alkaline-earth atoms in optical lattices, we construct a quantum simulator for $U(N)$ and $SU(N)$ lattice gauge theories with fermionic matter based on quantum link models. These systems share qualitative features with QCD, including chiral symmetry breaking and restoration at nonzero temperature or baryon density. Unlike classical simulations, a quantum simulator does not suffer from sign problems and can address the corresponding chiral dynamics in real time.

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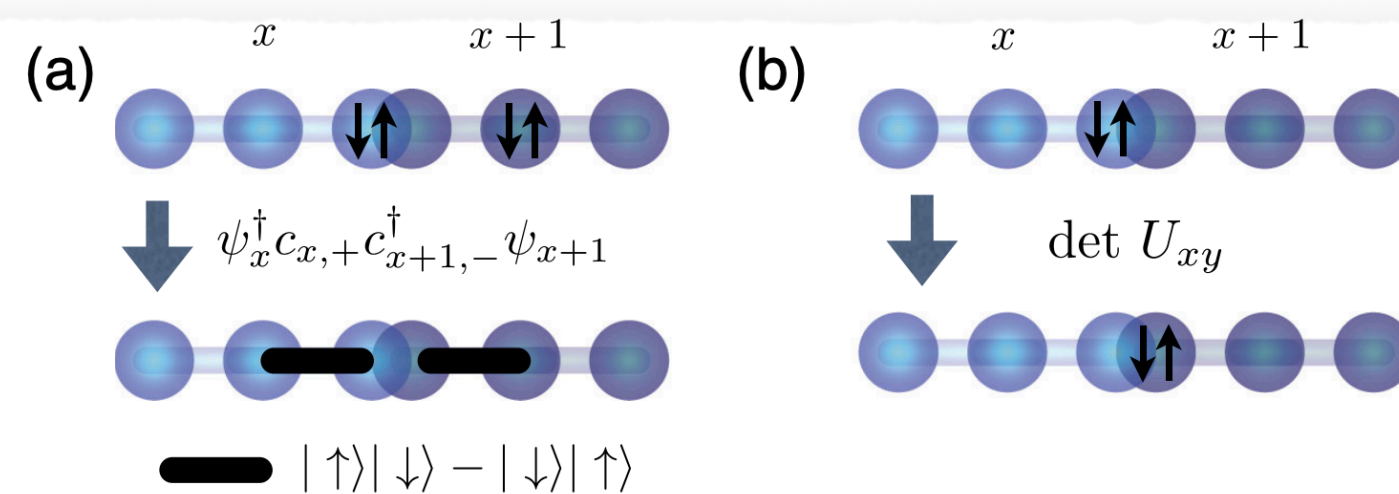
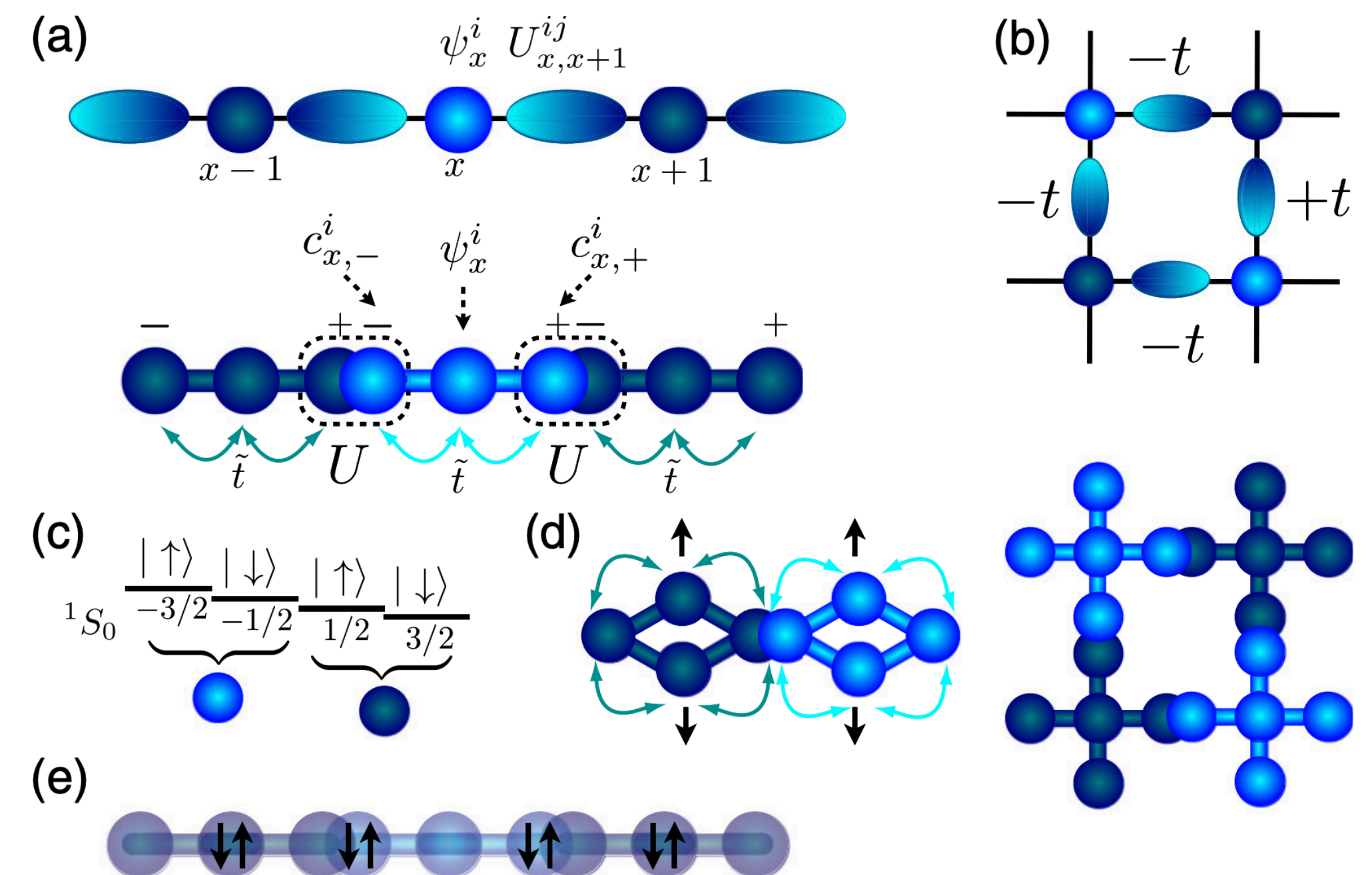


FIG. 2 (color online). Dynamical processes in $U(2)$ QLMs with $\mathcal{N} = 2$. (a) Matter-gauge interaction as correlated hopping of quarks and rishons. Starting with a configuration of site singlets, the matter-gauge interaction converts them into nearest-neighbor singlets, keeping the rishon number per link constant. (b) The determinant term corresponds to two-body hopping of both rishons on the link.

- Gauge invariant initial state,
- Hamiltonian is gauge invariant,
- Imperfections may take the system away from gauge invariance gauge $\sim 10\%$

Quantum Link Model
gauge theory with finite dimensional Hilbert space
Qualitative proposal for the simulation
Not implemented experimentally



Constrained Dynamics via the Zeno Effect in Quantum Simulation: Implementing Non-Abelian Lattice Gauge Theories with Cold Atoms

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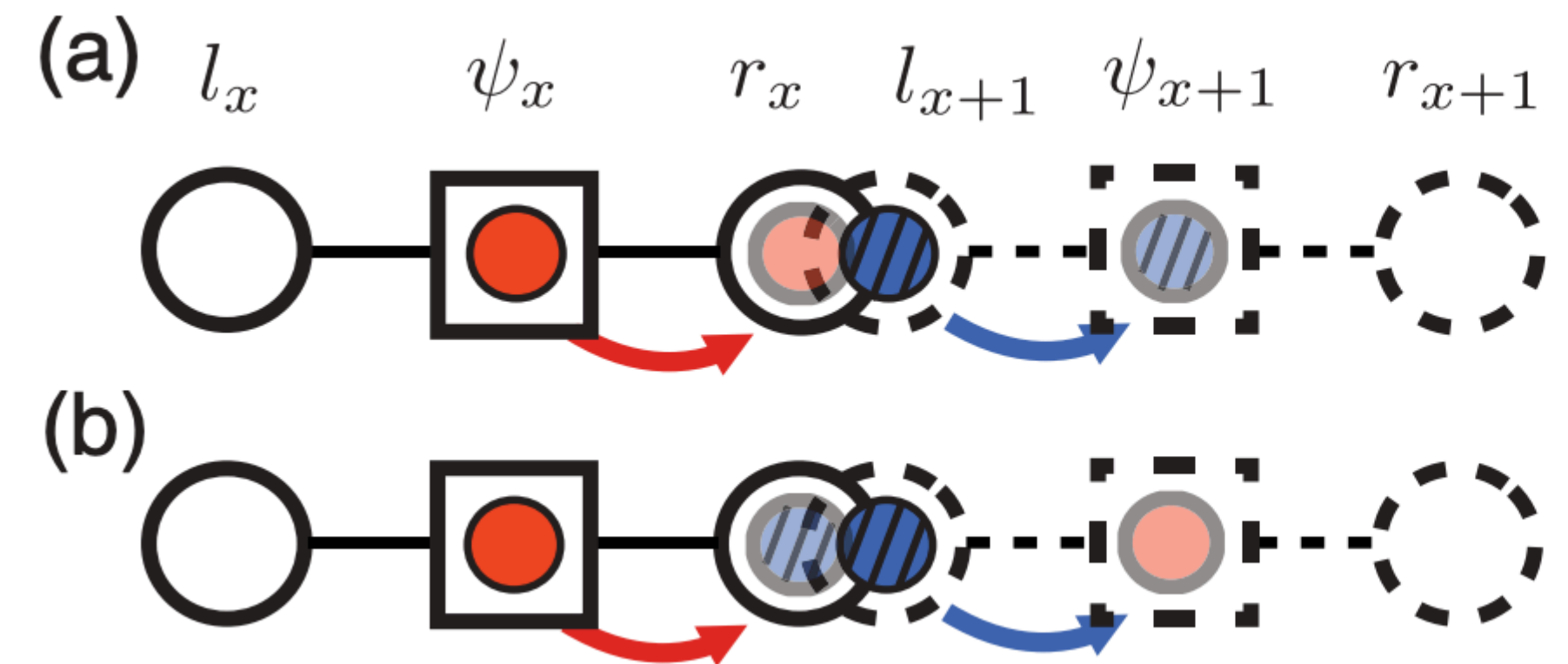
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We show how engineered classical noise can be used to generate constrained Hamiltonian dynamics in atomic quantum simulators of many-body systems, taking advantage of the continuous Zeno effect. After discussing the general theoretical framework, we focus on applications in the context of lattice gauge theories, where imposing exotic, quasilocal constraints is usually challenging. We demonstrate the effectiveness of the scheme for both Abelian and non-Abelian gauge theories, and discuss how engineering dissipative constraints substitutes complicated, nonlocal interaction patterns by global coupling to laser fields.

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The matter/gauge-field coupling corresponds to a simultaneous color-conserving tunneling of one fermion at site x to the link $x, x + 1$ (red) and a rishon at $x, x + 1$ to the site $x + 1$ (blue, dashed).

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Other efforts:

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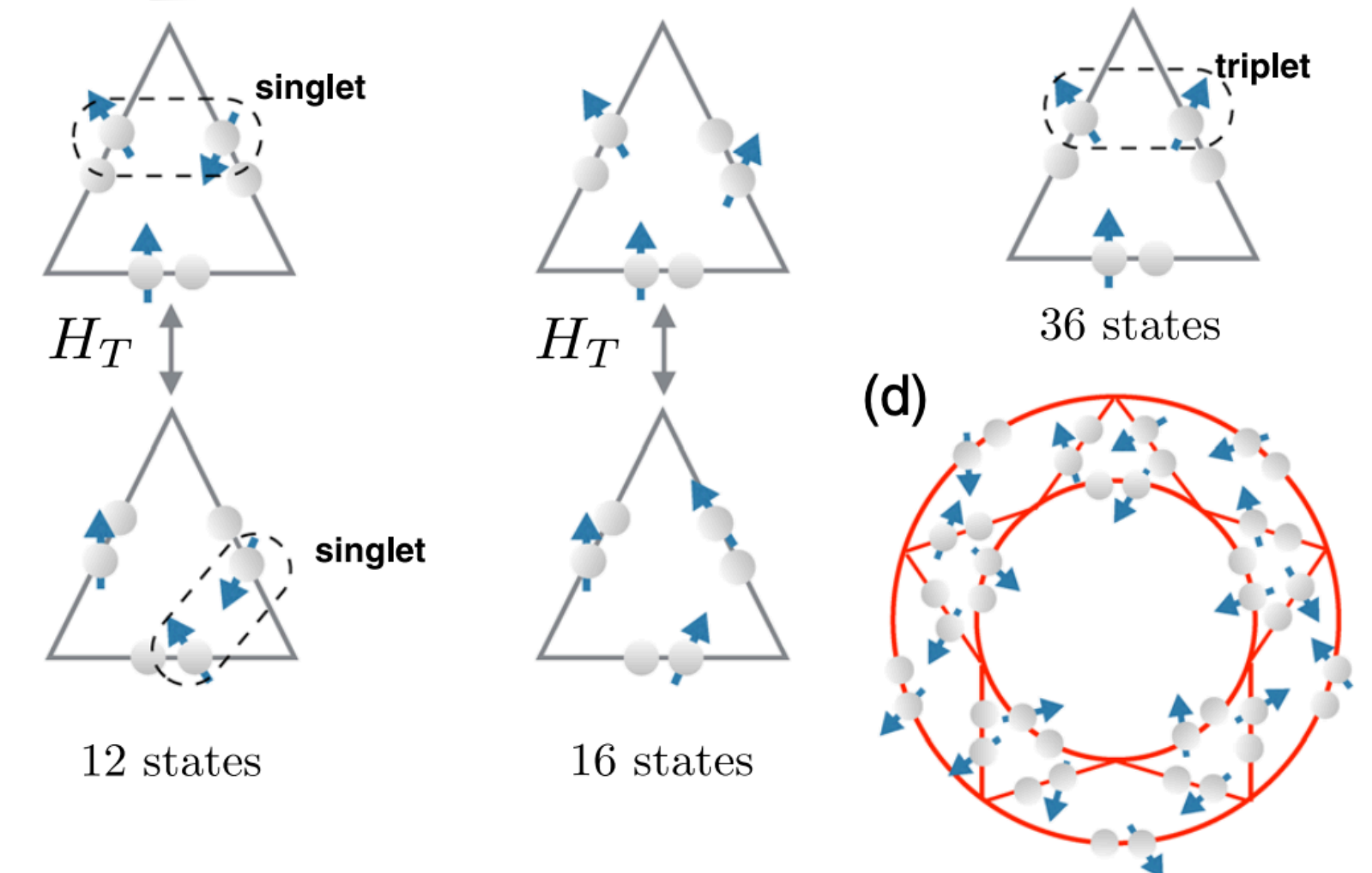
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We propose a digital quantum simulator of non-Abelian pure-gauge models with a superconducting circuit setup. Within the framework of quantum link models, we build a minimal instance of a pure SU(2) gauge theory, using triangular plaquettes involving geometric frustration. This realization is the least demanding, in terms of quantum simulation resources, of a non-Abelian gauge dynamics. We present two superconducting architectures that can host the quantum simulation, estimating the requirements needed to run possible experiments. The proposal establishes a path to the experimental simulation of non-Abelian physics with solid-state quantum platforms.



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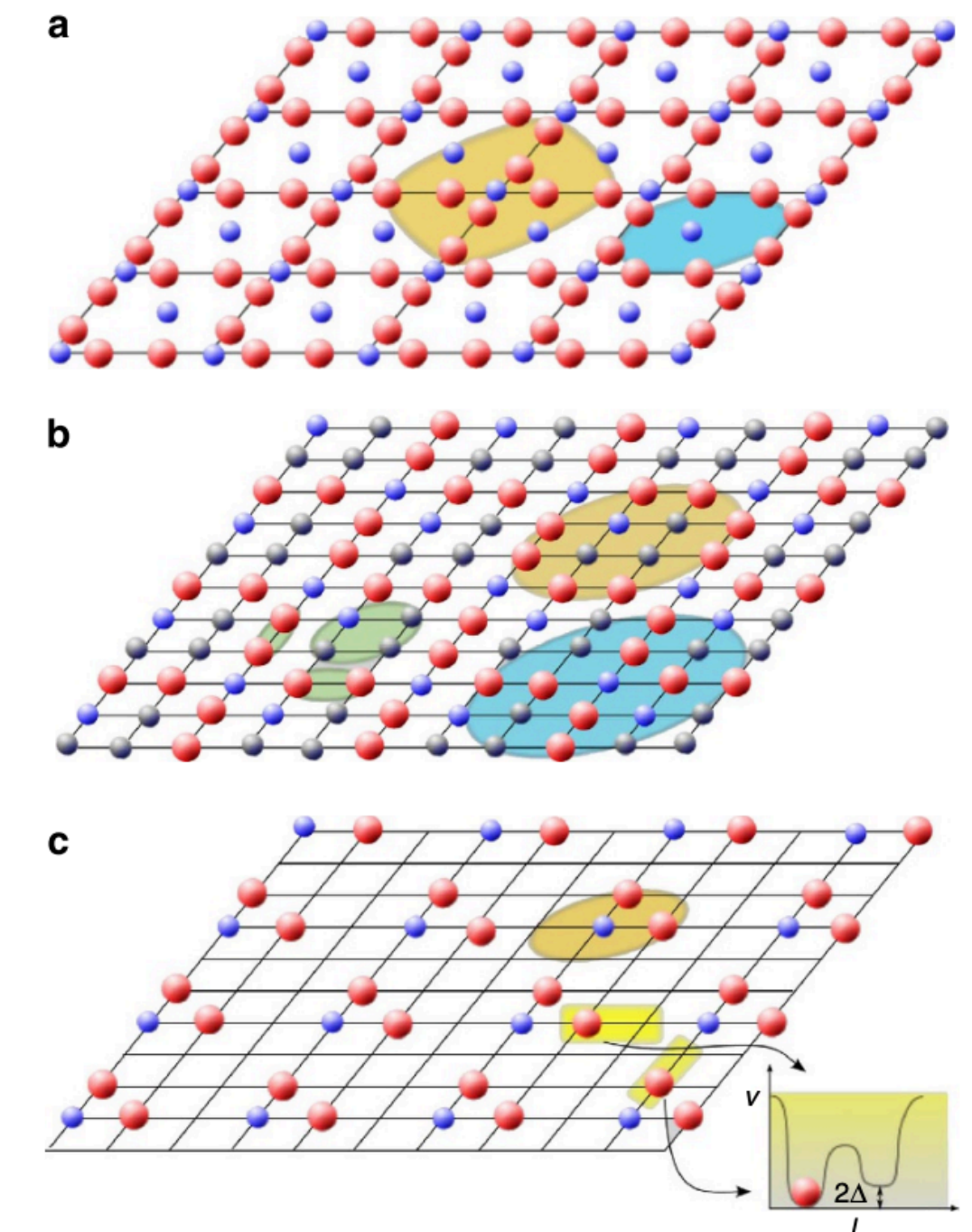
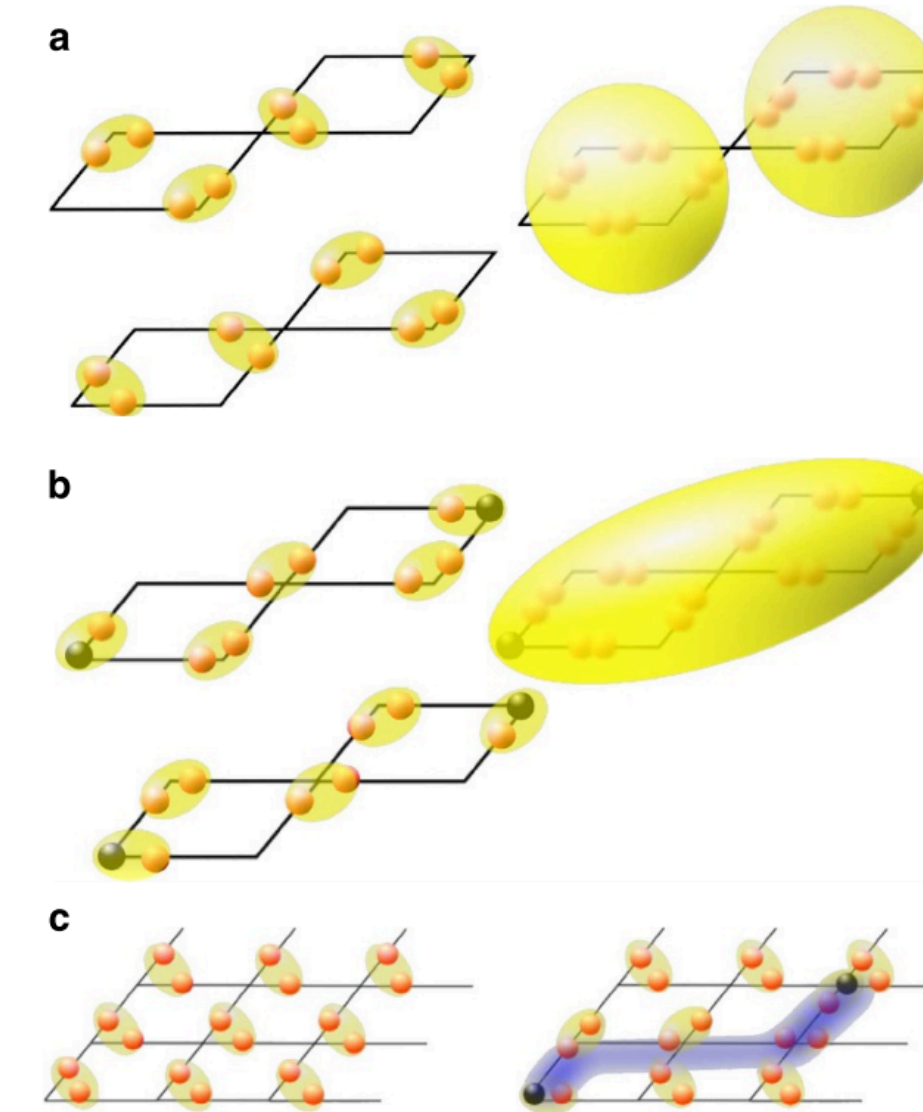
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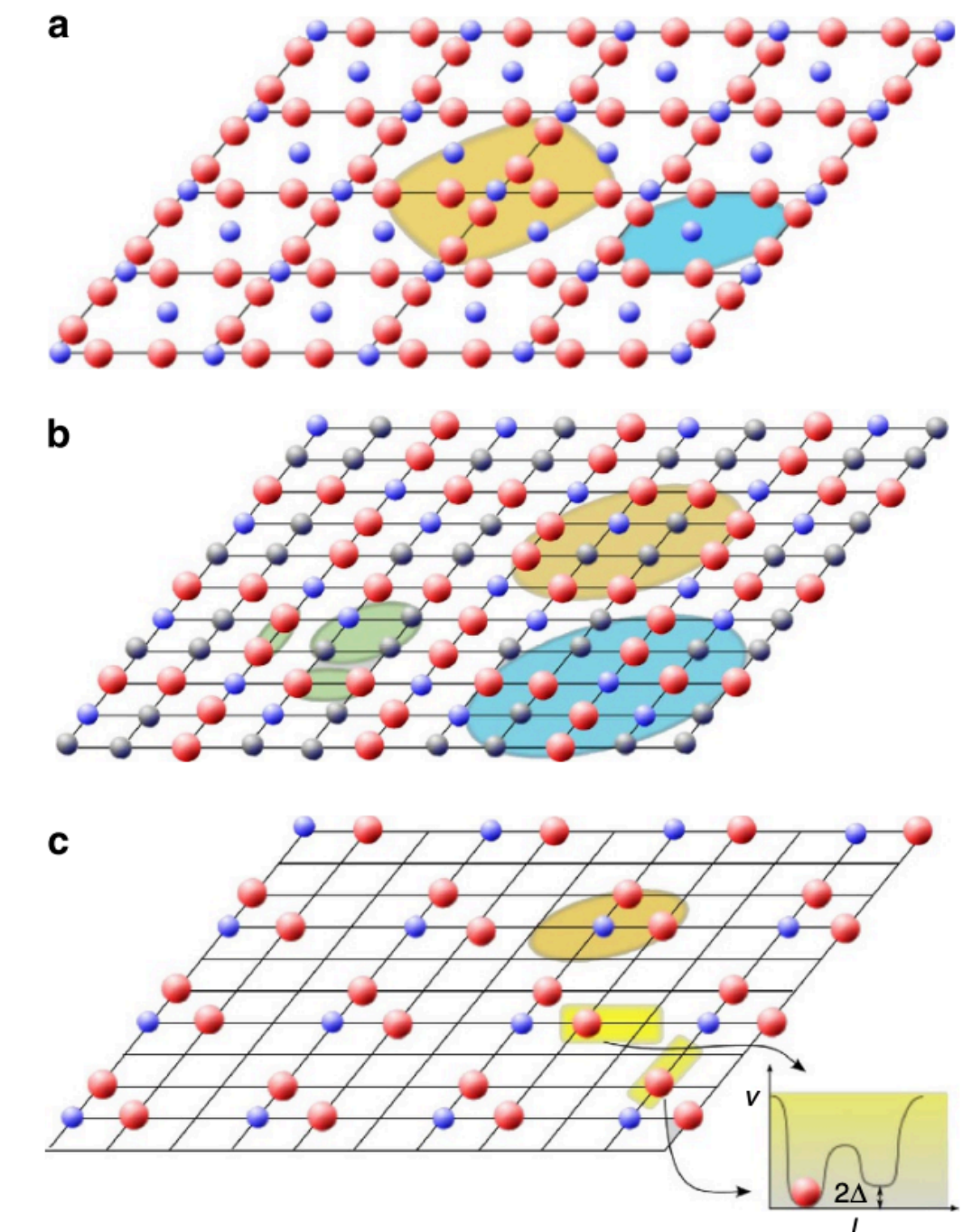
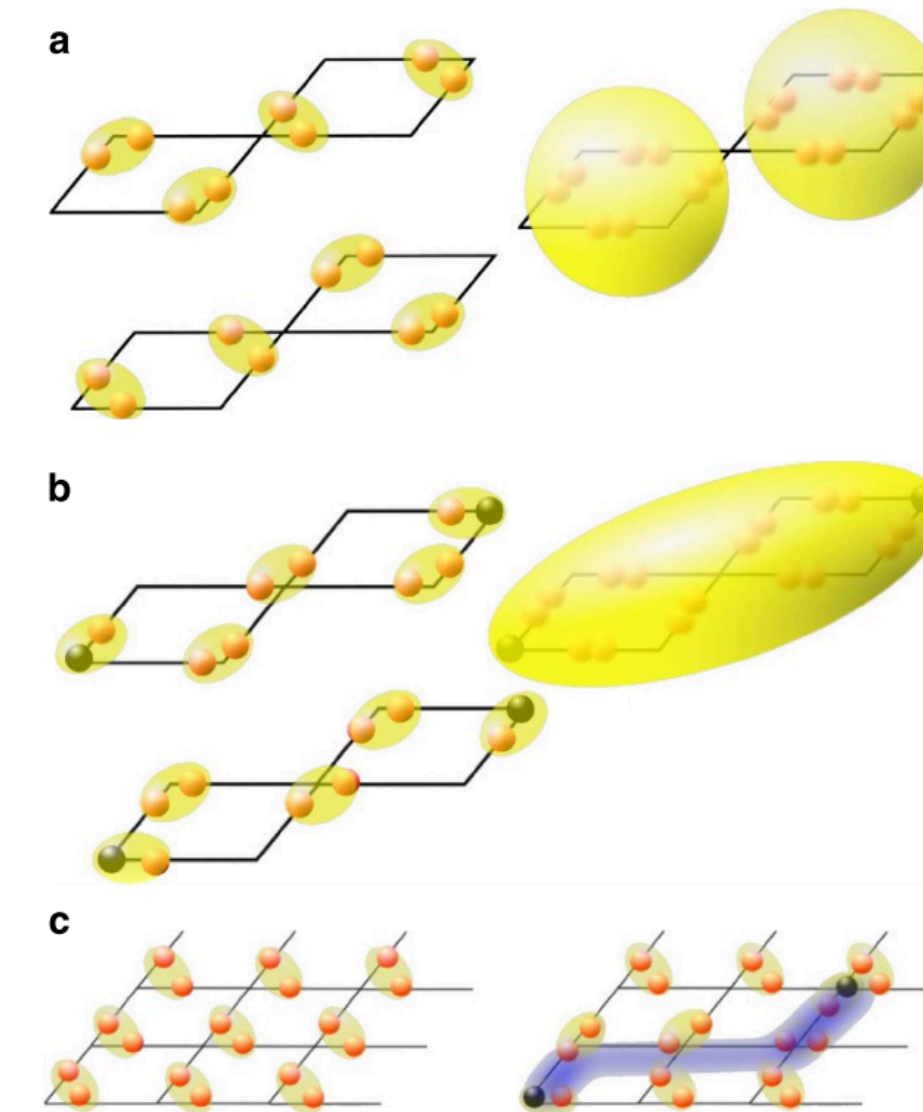
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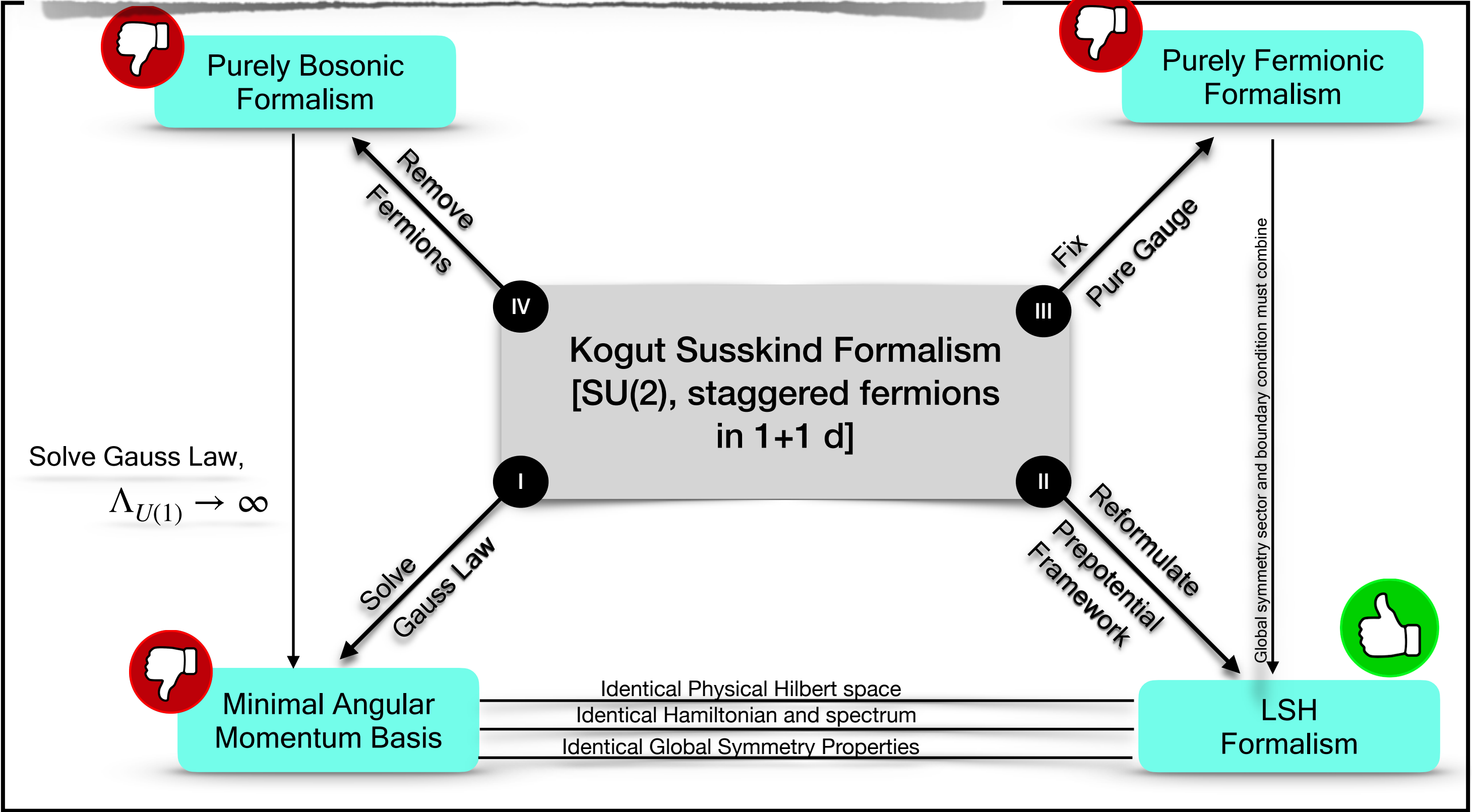


Search for Efficient Formulations for Hamiltonian Simulation of non-Abelian Lattice Gauge Theories

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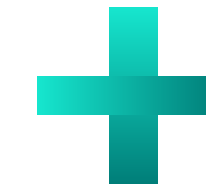
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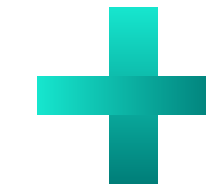
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Loop, string, and hadron dynamics in SU(2) Hamiltonian lattice gauge theories

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The question of how to efficiently formulate Hamiltonian gauge theories is experiencing renewed interest due to advances in building quantum simulation platforms. We introduce a reformulation of an SU(2) Hamiltonian lattice gauge theory—a loop-string-hadron (LSH) formulation—that describes dynamics directly in terms of its loop, string, and hadron degrees of freedom, while alleviating several disadvantages of quantum simulating the Kogut-Susskind formulation. This LSH formulation transcends the local loop formulation of $d + 1$ -dimensional lattice gauge theories by incorporating staggered quarks, furnishing the algebra of gauge-singlet operators, and being used to reconstruct dynamics between states that have Gauss’s law built in to them. LSH operators are then factored into products of “normalized” ladder operators and diagonal matrices, priming them for classical or quantum information processing. Self-contained expressions of the Hamiltonian are given up to $d = 3$. The LSH formalism makes little use of structures specific to SU(2), and its conceptual clarity makes it an attractive approach to apply to other non-Abelian groups like SU(3).

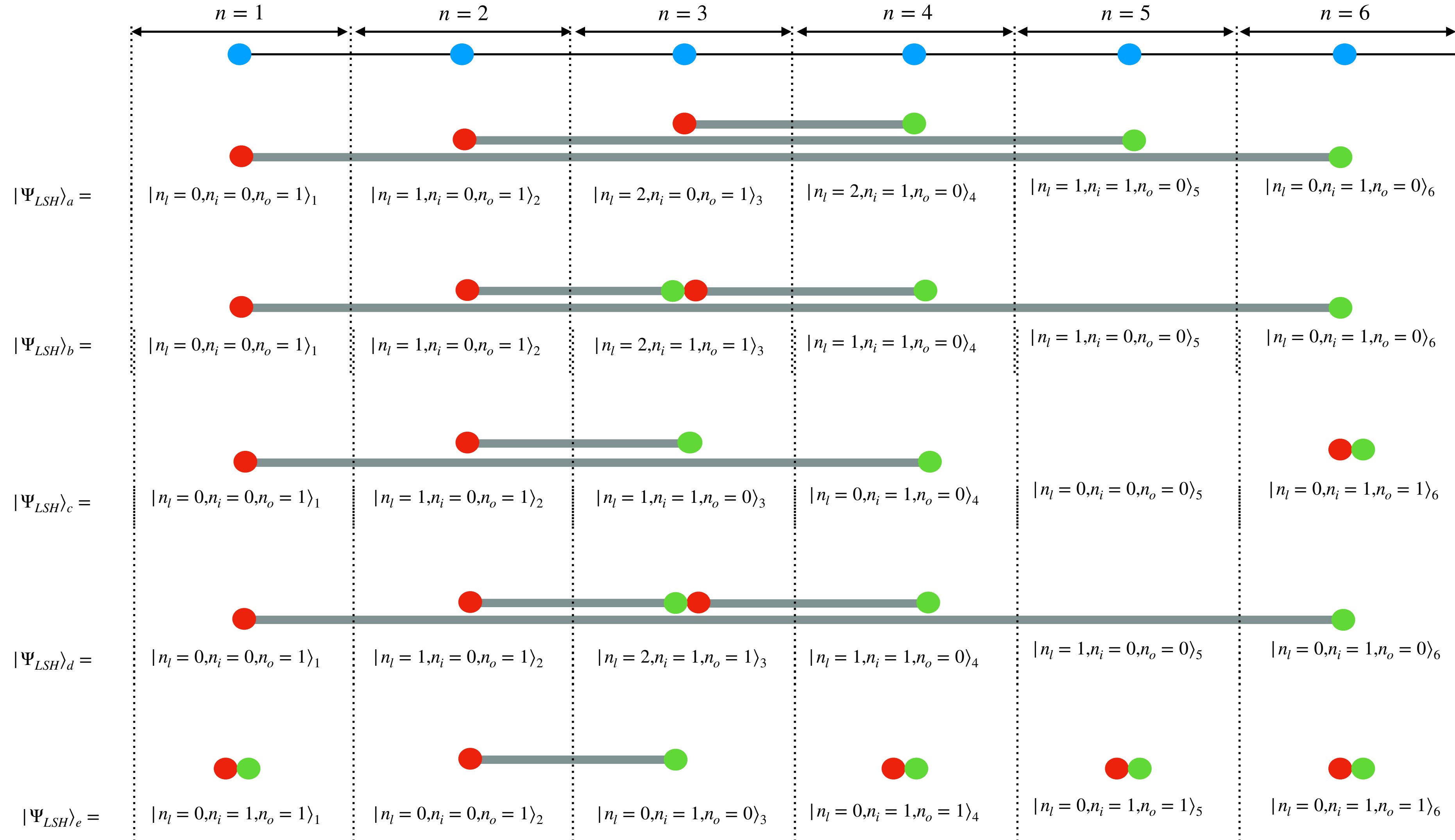
LSH Formulation: key ingredients

Local $SU(2)$ invariant Hilbert space

Local constraint on each link: Abelian Gauss' law

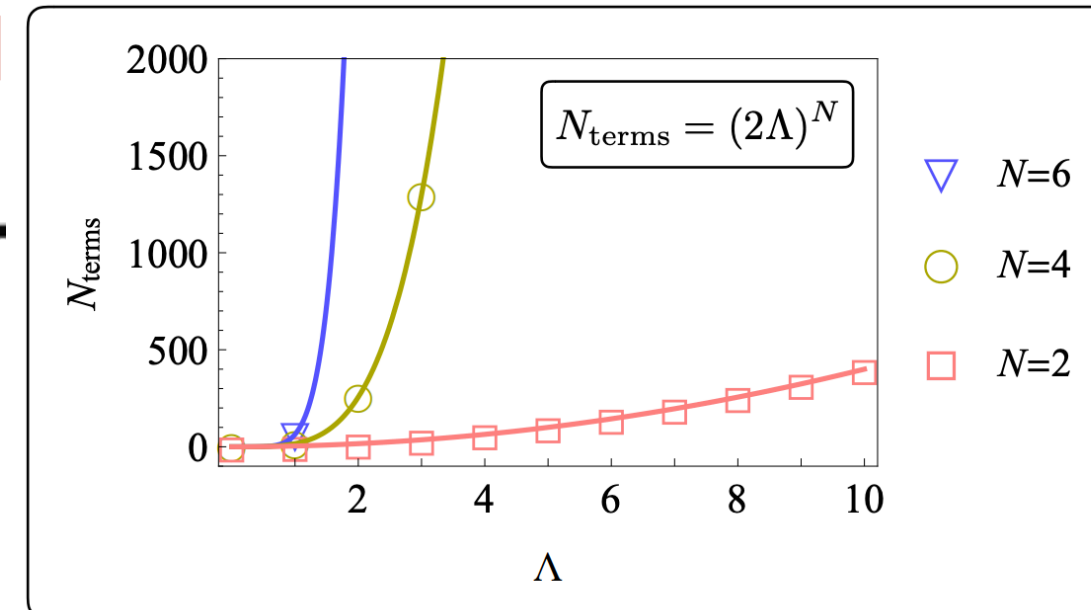
Pictorially global LSH states in 1d

$$|\Psi_{LSH}\rangle = |n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle_1 \otimes |n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle_2 \otimes |n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle_3 \otimes |n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle_4 \otimes |n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle_5 \otimes |n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle_6$$



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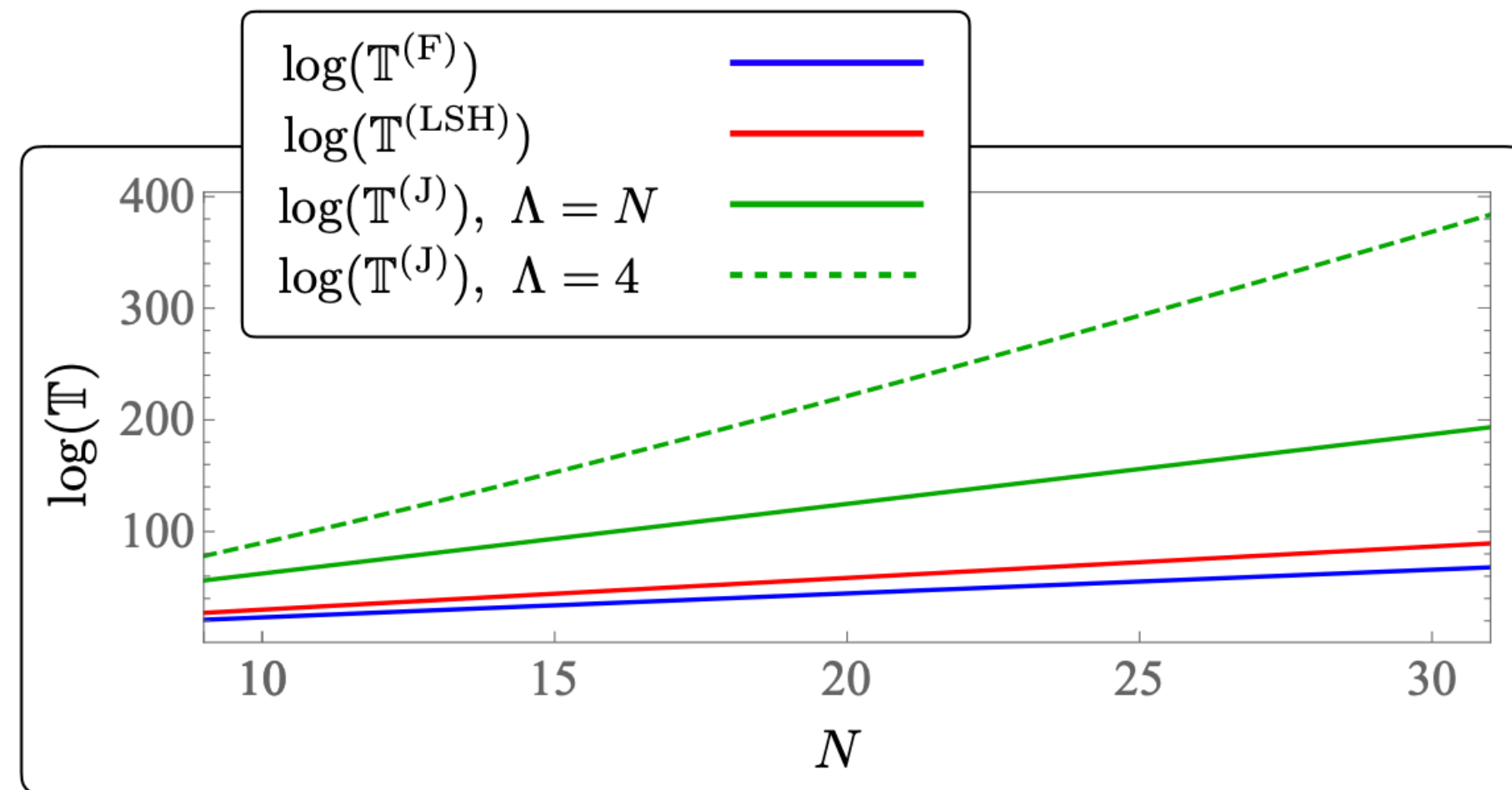


FIG. 14. The asymptotic cumulative cost of the three steps of given classical numerical algorithms for Hamiltonian simulation of the KS SU(2) LGT in 1+1 D with the fermionic formulation (F), LSH formulation, and the angular-momentum formulation in the physical sector (J), as a function of lattice size N for large N .

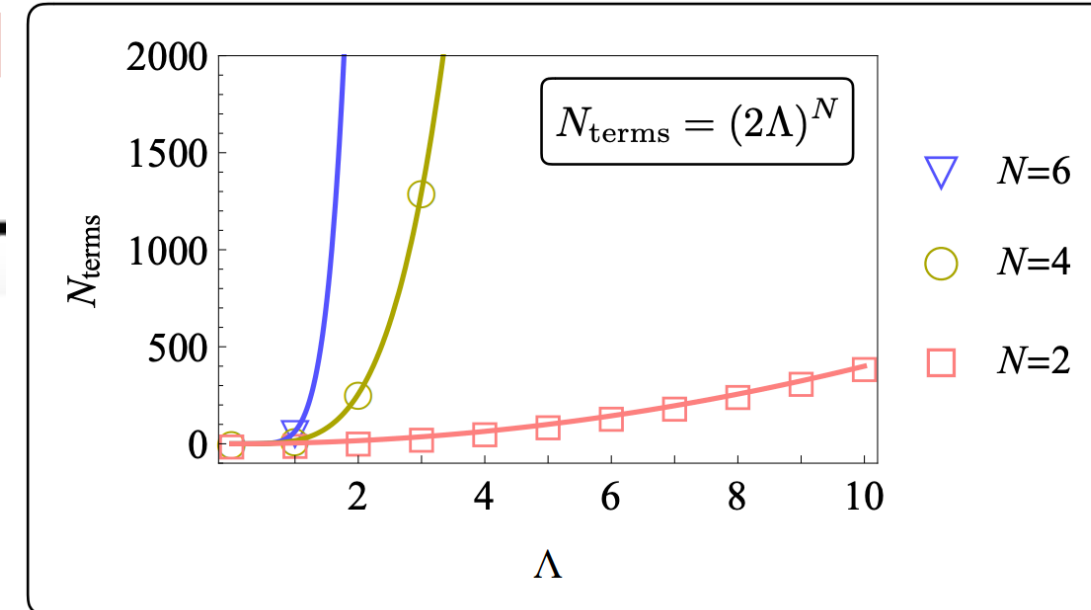
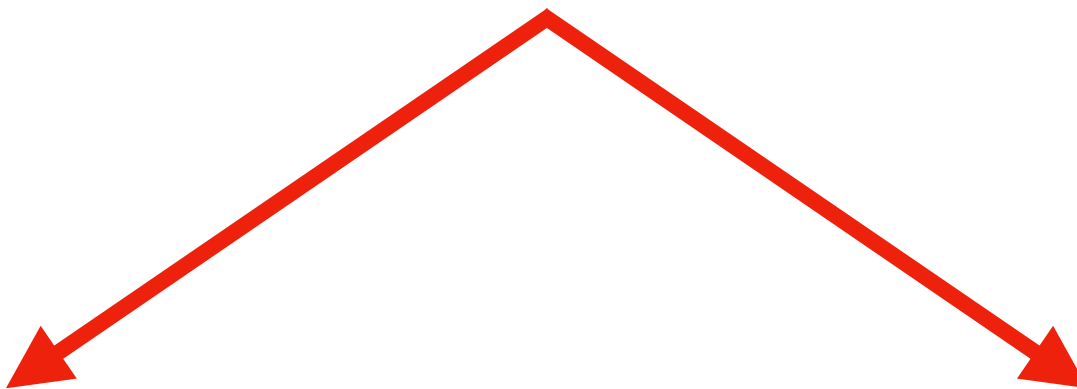


FIG. 15. The asymptotic cost of each step of given classical algorithms for Hamiltonian simulation of the KS SU(2) LGT in 1+1 D with the fermionic formulation (F), LSH formulation, and the angular-momentum basis in the physical sector (J), as a function of the lattice size N for large N . Step (I) refers to Hilbert-space construction, step (II) refers to Hamiltonian generation, and step (III) denotes observable computation assuming a generic scaling for sparse matrix manipulations, see the text. The step (I) for the fermionic formulation is of $\mathcal{O}(1)$ with the chosen algorithm and is not shown.

LSH Formulation: key ingredients

Local SU(2) invariant Hilbert space


$$|n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle$$

at matter gauge vertex in any dimension

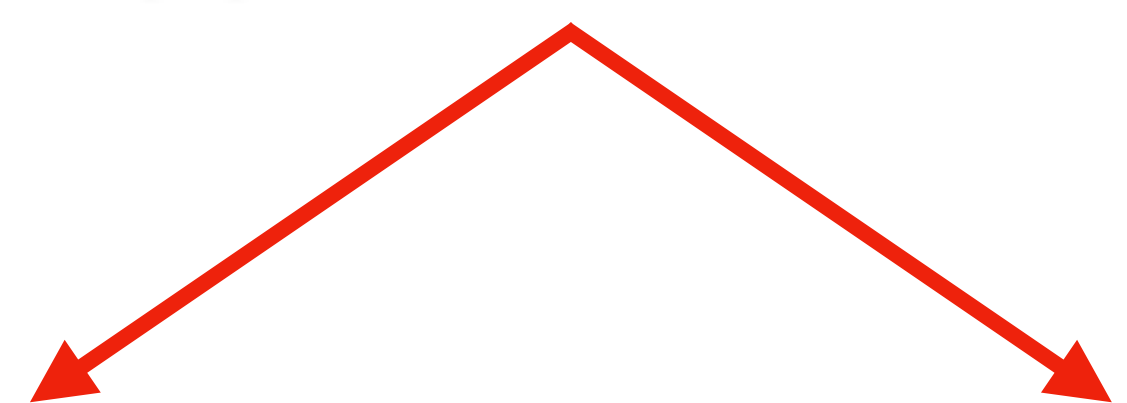
$$|l_{12}, l_{23}, l_{31}\rangle$$

at pure gauge vertex in $d > 1$

Local constraint on each link: Abelian Gauss' law

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qq

$d = 1$

qg

$d = 2$

gg

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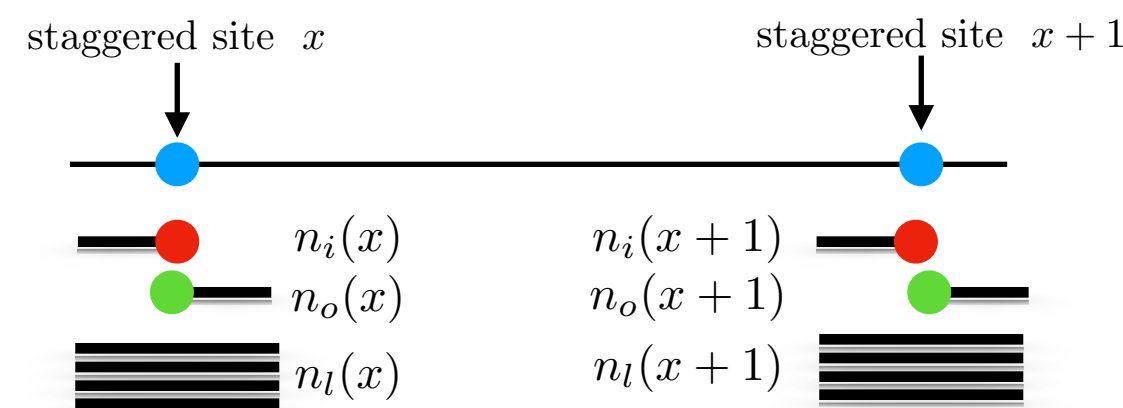
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Local constraint on each link: Abelian Gauss' law

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$d = 1$

$$n_l + n_o(1 - n_i) \Big|_x = n_l + n_i(1 - n_o) \Big|_{x+1}$$



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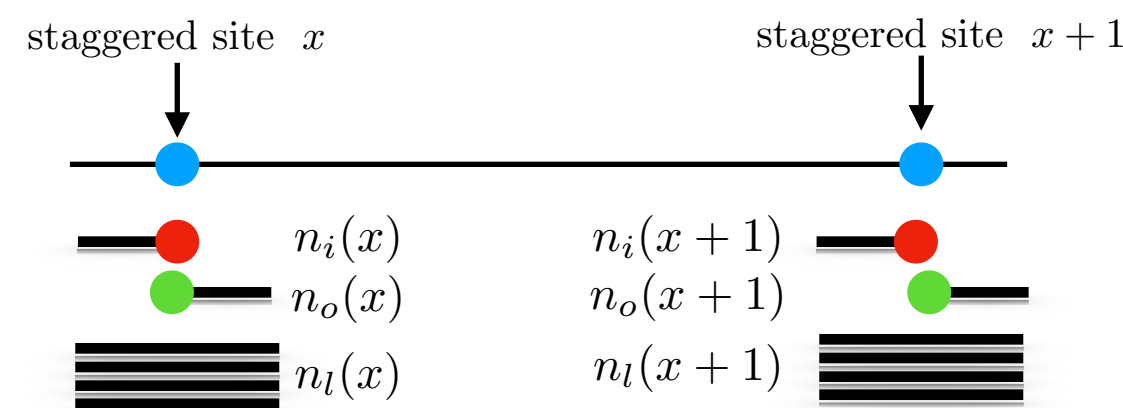
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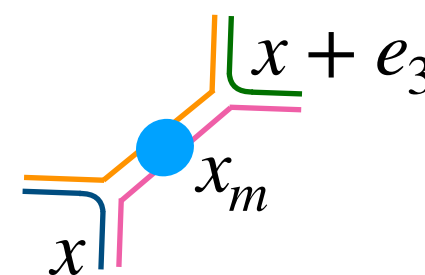
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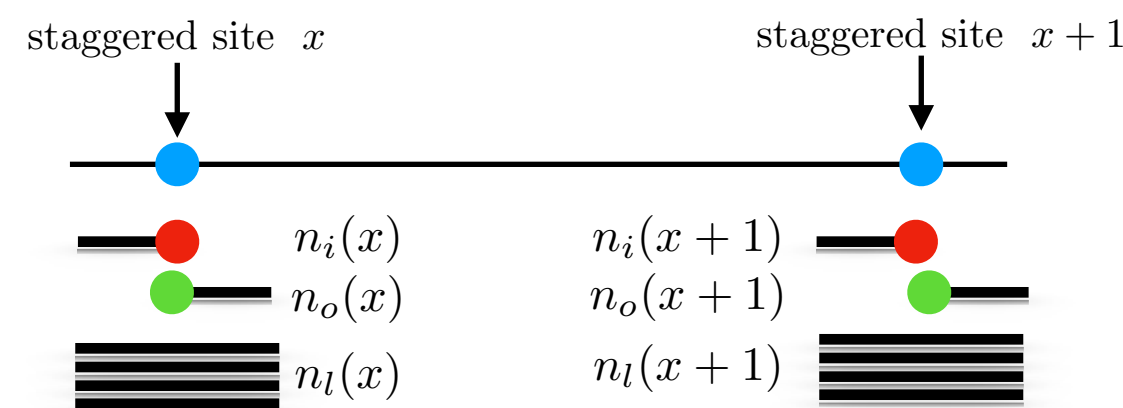
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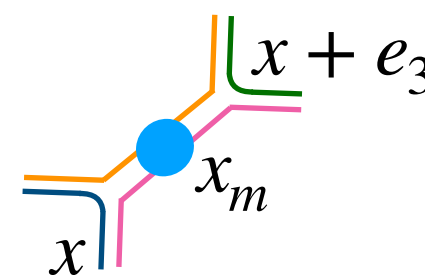
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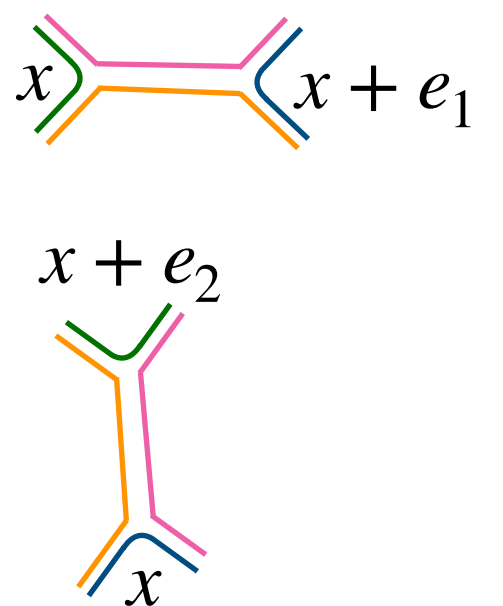
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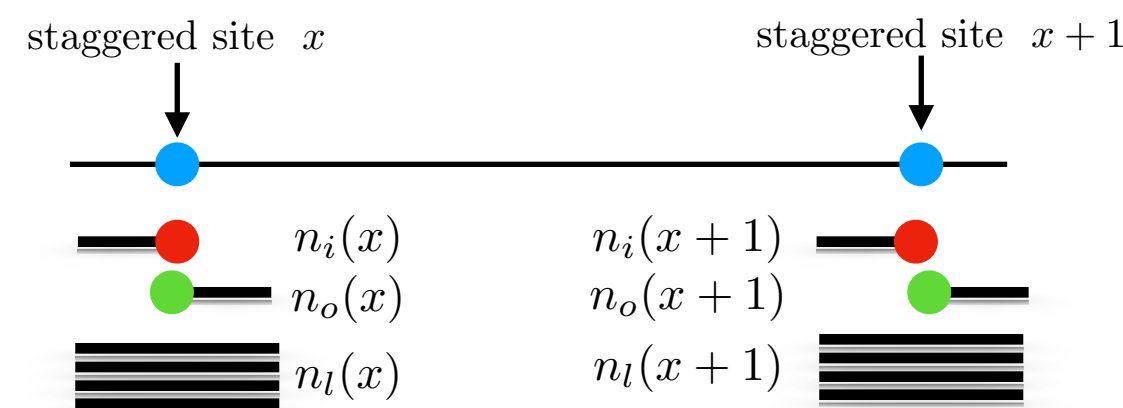
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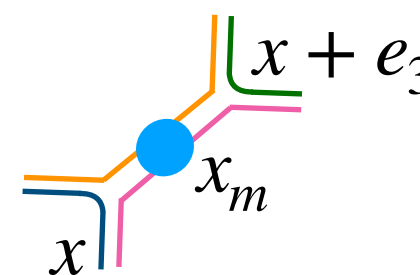
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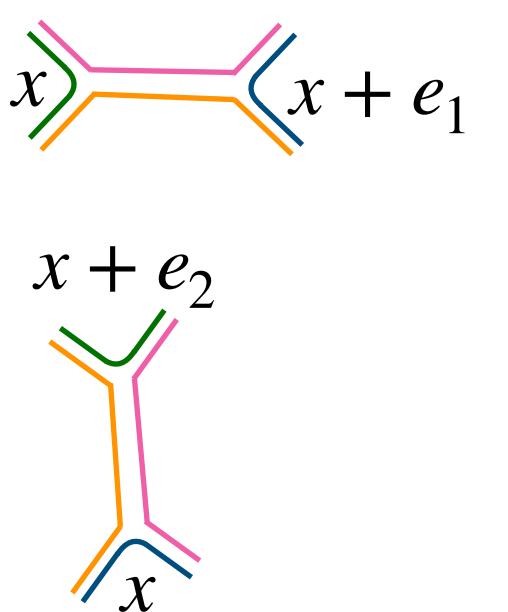
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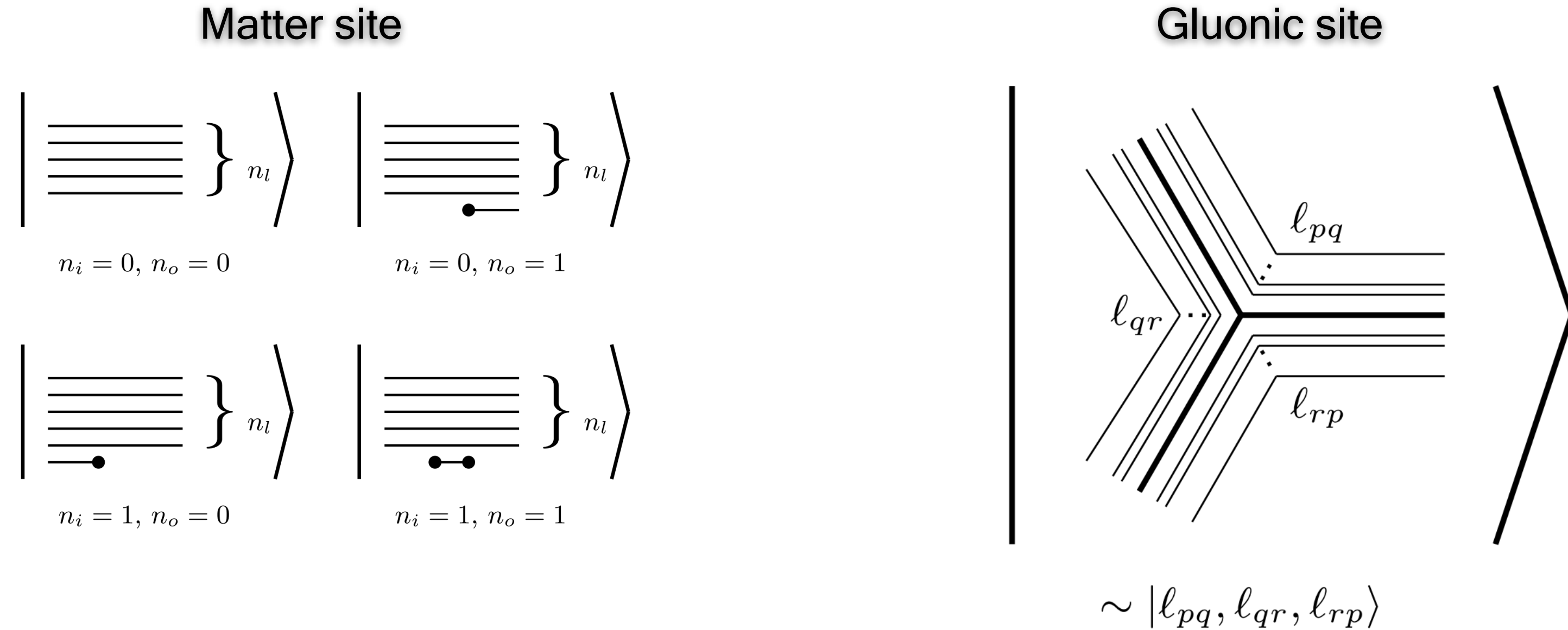


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$d > 2$ straightforward generalization

Digitization of LSH Hilbert space

Binary Representation of Loop Quantum Numbers



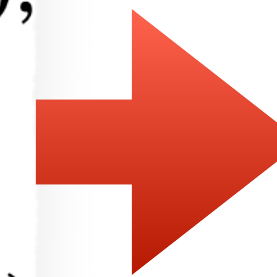
- (i) $N + 1$ qubits per quark site loop number n_ℓ ,
(ii) N qubits per gluonic site loop number ℓ_{ij} ,
where

$$N = \lceil \log_2(\bar{j} + 1) \rceil.$$

The quark occupancy numbers require no truncation.

$$n_\ell = \sum_{m=0}^N 2^m n_{\ell,m} \quad (n_{\ell,m} = 0, 1),$$

$$\ell_{ij} = \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} 2^m \ell_{ij,m} \quad (\ell_{ij,m} = 0, 1).$$



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Solving Gauss's law on digital quantum computers with loop-string-hadron digitization

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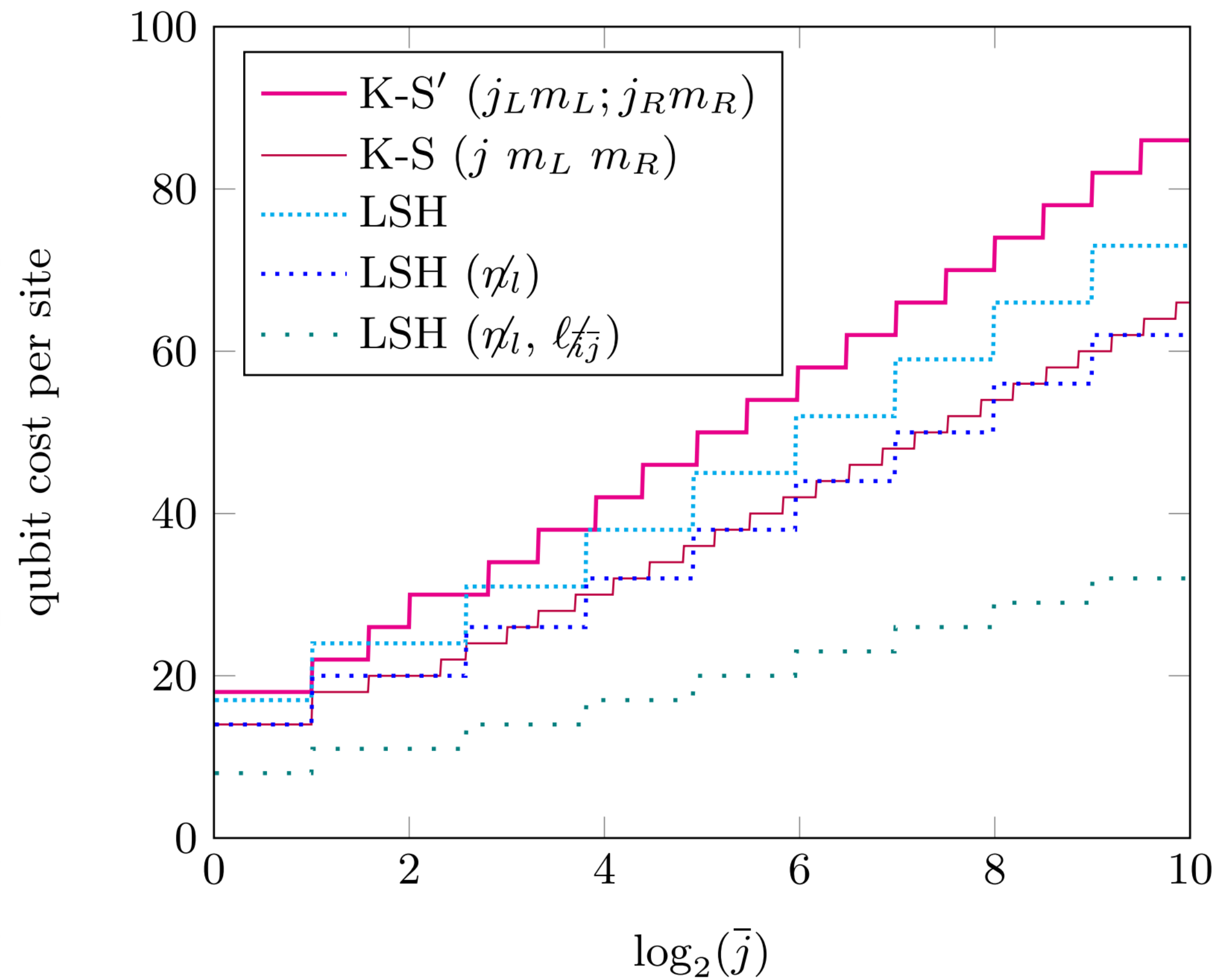


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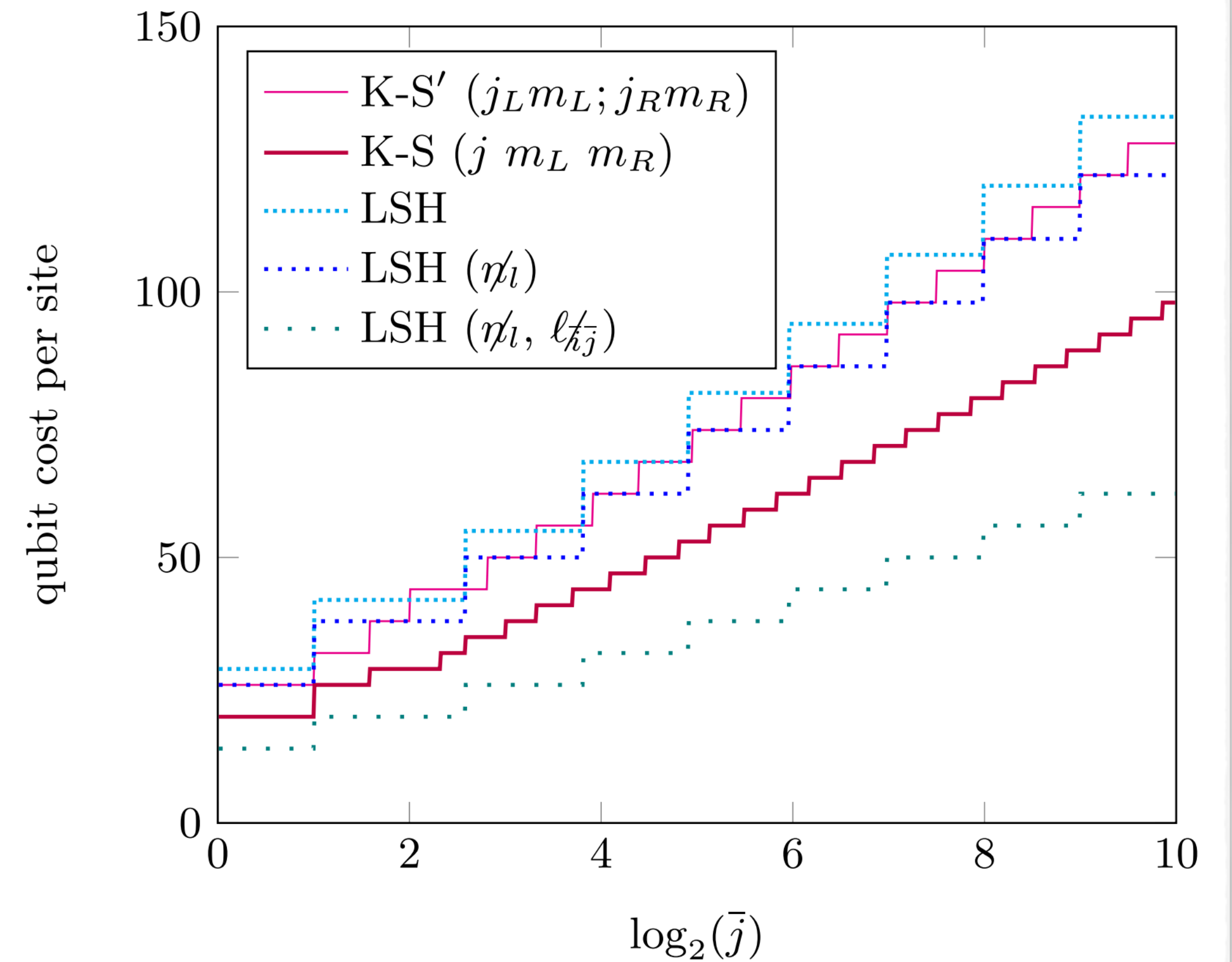
We show that using the loop-string-hadron (LSH) formulation of $SU(2)$ lattice gauge theory (I. Raychowdhury and J. R. Stryker, [Phys. Rev. D **101**, 114502 \(2020\)](#)) as a basis for digital quantum computation easily solves an important problem of fundamental interest: implementing gauge invariance (or Gauss's law) exactly. We first discuss the structure of the LSH Hilbert space in d spatial dimensions, its truncation, and its digitization with qubits. Error detection and mitigation in gauge theory simulations would benefit from physicality “oracles,” so we decompose circuits that flag gauge-invariant wave functions. We then analyze the logical qubit costs and entangling gate counts involved with the protocols. The LSH basis could save or cost more qubits than a Kogut-Susskind-type representation basis, depending on how the bases are digitized as well as the spatial dimension. The numerous other clear benefits encourage future studies into applying this framework.

Qubit Cost Analysis

Qubit Cost Comparison ($d = 2$)



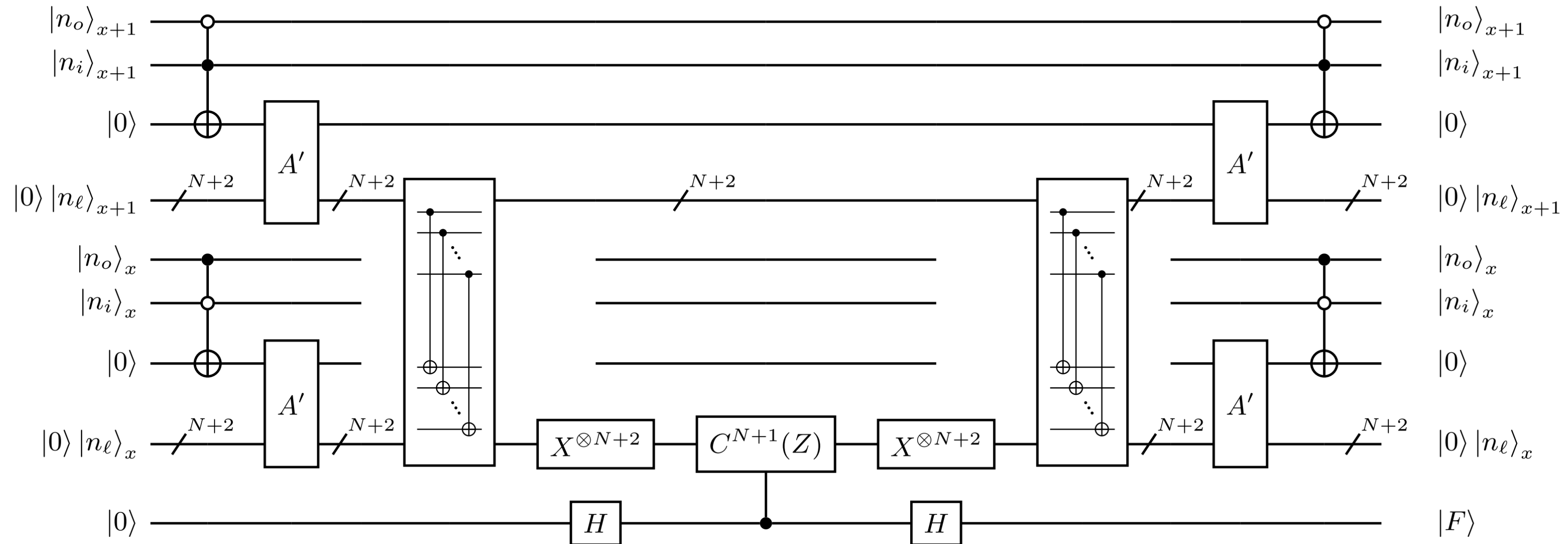
Qubit Cost Comparison ($d = 3$)



Oracle to check the Abelian Gauss law

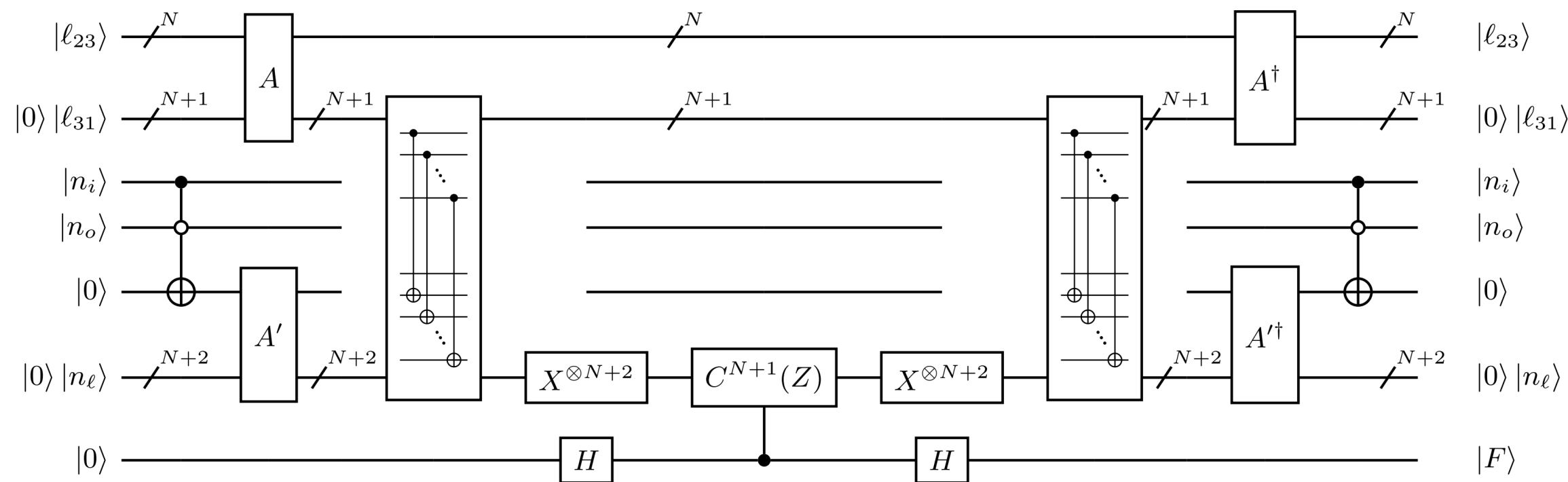
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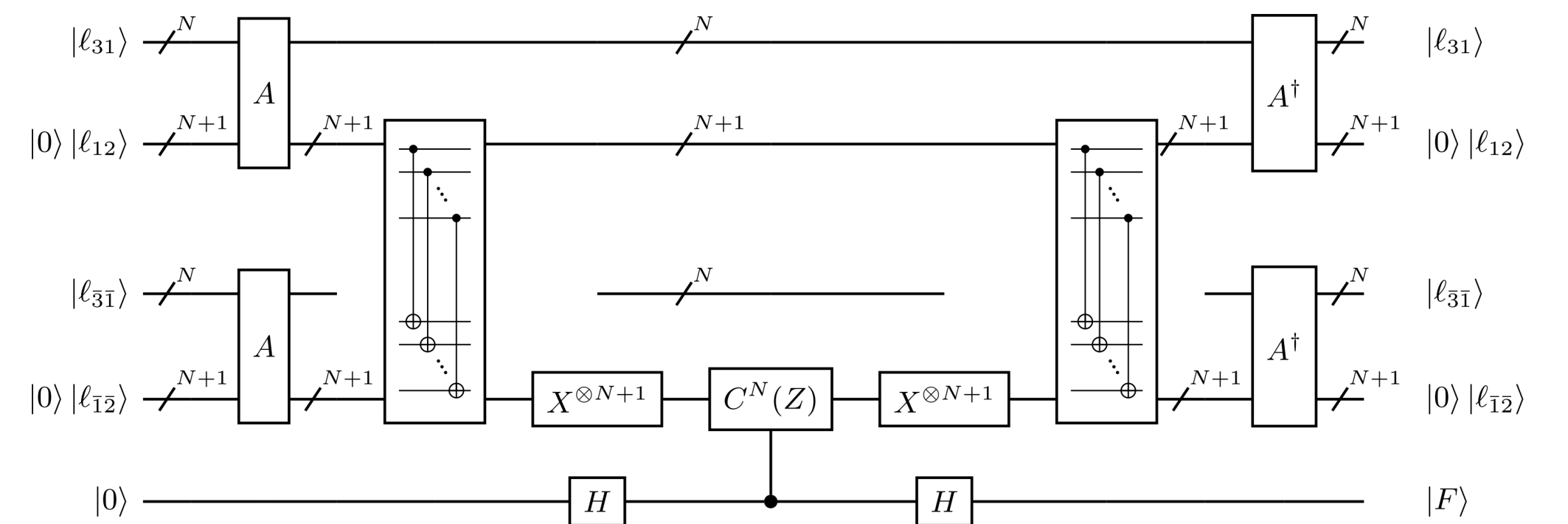


$d > 1$

qg



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Cold Atom Quantum Simulator for String and Hadron Dynamics in Non-Abelian Lattice Gauge Theory

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We propose an analog quantum simulator for simulating real time dynamics of $(1 + 1)$ -d non-Abelian gauge theory well within the existing capacity of ultracold atom experiments. The scheme calls for the realization of a two-state ultracold fermionic system in a 1-dimensional bipartite lattice, and the observation of subsequent tunneling dynamics. Being based on novel loop string hadron formalism of $SU(2)$ lattice gauge theory, this simulation technique is completely $SU(2)$ invariant and simulates accurate dynamics of physical phenomena such as string breaking and/or pair production. The scheme is scalable, and particularly effective in simulating the theory in weak coupling regime, and also bulk limit of the theory in strong coupling regime up to certain approximations. This paper also presents a numerical benchmark comparison of exact spectrum and real time dynamics of lattice gauge theory to that of the atomic Hamiltonian with experimentally realizable range of parameters.

Application: Analog Quantum computation

Simulated system

**SU(2) gauge theory
coupled to staggered
fermions
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Simulating system

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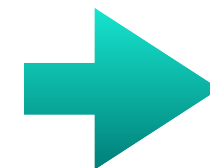
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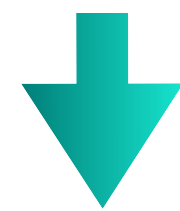
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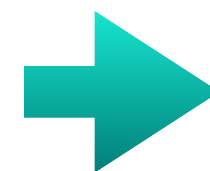
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**Simulates string and hadron dynamics at
weak and intermediate coupling regime**

Experimental Demonstration: minor modification/combination of

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Exploring Competing Density Order in the Ionic Hubbard Model with Ultracold Fermions

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We realize and study the ionic Hubbard model using an interacting two-component gas of fermionic atoms loaded into an optical lattice. The bipartite lattice has a honeycomb geometry with a staggered energy offset that explicitly breaks the inversion symmetry. Distinct density-ordered phases are identified using noise correlation measurements of the atomic momentum distribution. For weak interactions the geometry induces a charge density wave. For strong repulsive interactions we detect a strong suppression of doubly occupied sites, as expected for a Mott insulating state, and the externally broken inversion symmetry is not visible anymore in the density distribution. The local density distributions in different configurations are characterized by measuring the number of doubly occupied lattice sites as a function of interaction and energy offset. We further probe the excitations of the system using direction dependent modulation spectroscopy and discover a complex spectrum, which we compare with a theoretical model.

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Nonequilibrium Mass Transport in the 1D Fermi-Hubbard Model

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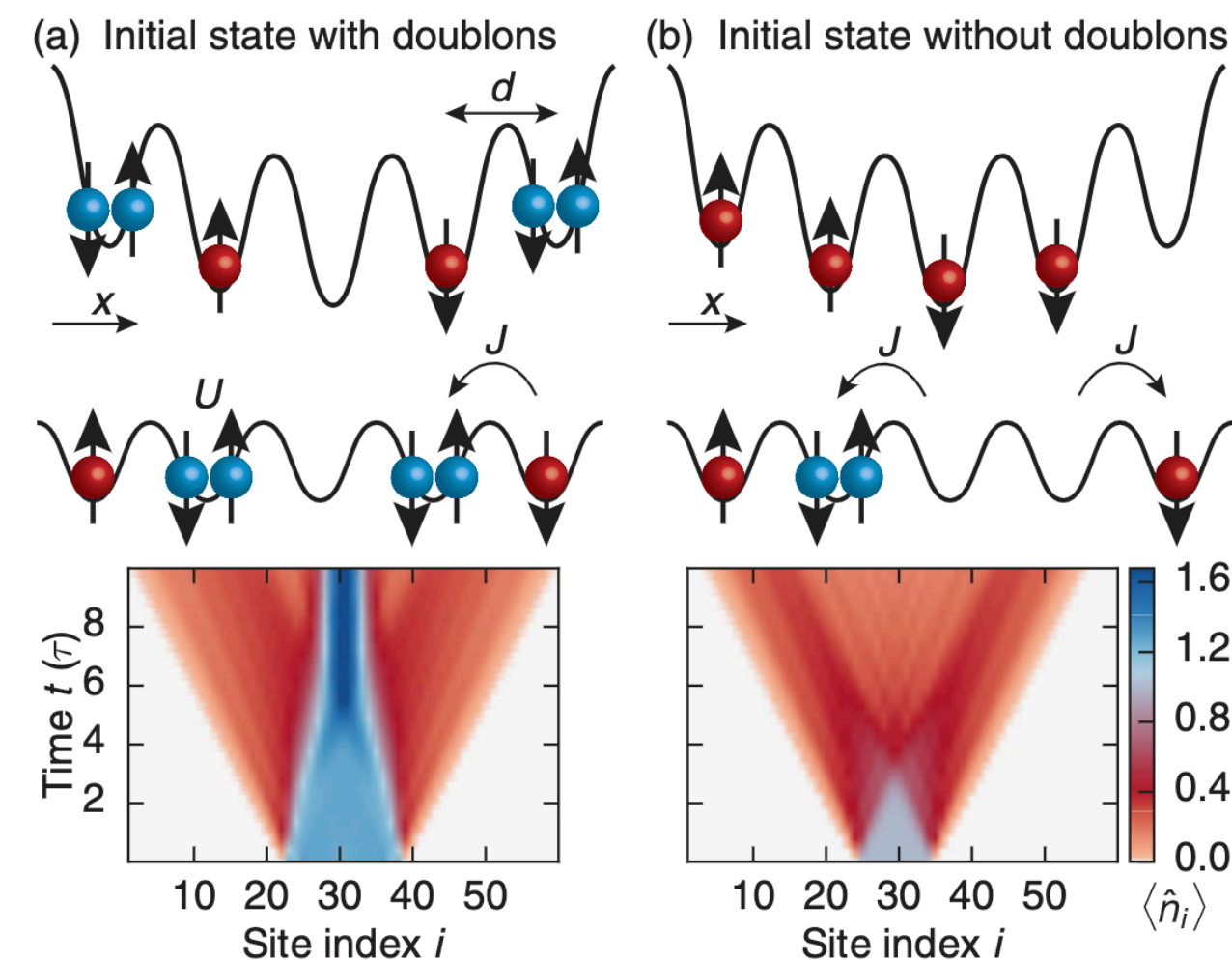
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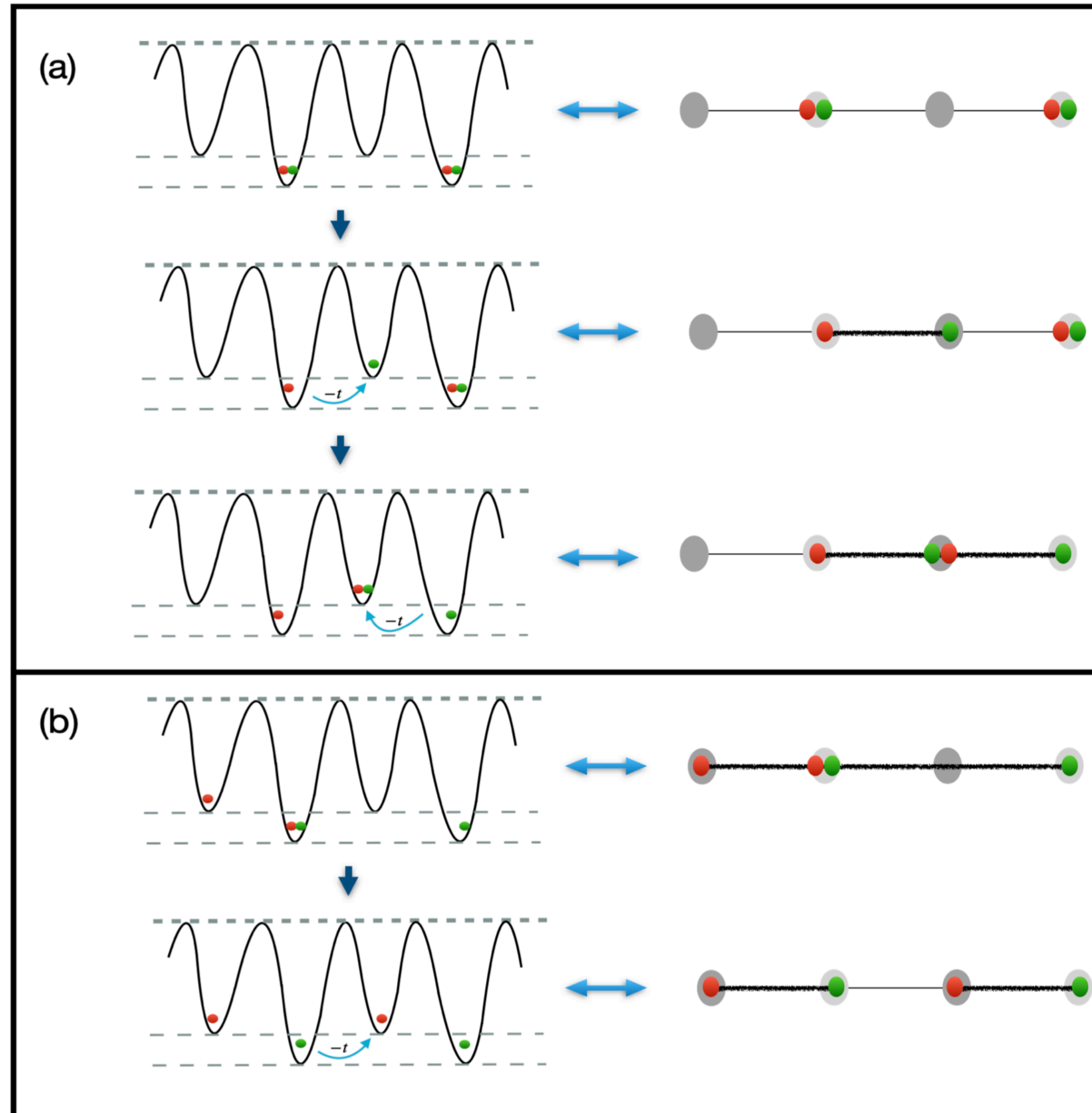
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We experimentally and numerically investigate the sudden expansion of fermions in a homogeneous one-dimensional optical lattice. For initial states with an appreciable amount of doublons, we observe a dynamical phase separation between rapidly expanding singlons and slow doublons remaining in the trap center, realizing the key aspect of fermionic quantum distillation in the strongly interacting limit. For initial states without doublons, we find a reduced interaction dependence of the asymptotic expansion speed compared to bosons, which is explained by the interaction energy produced in the quench.

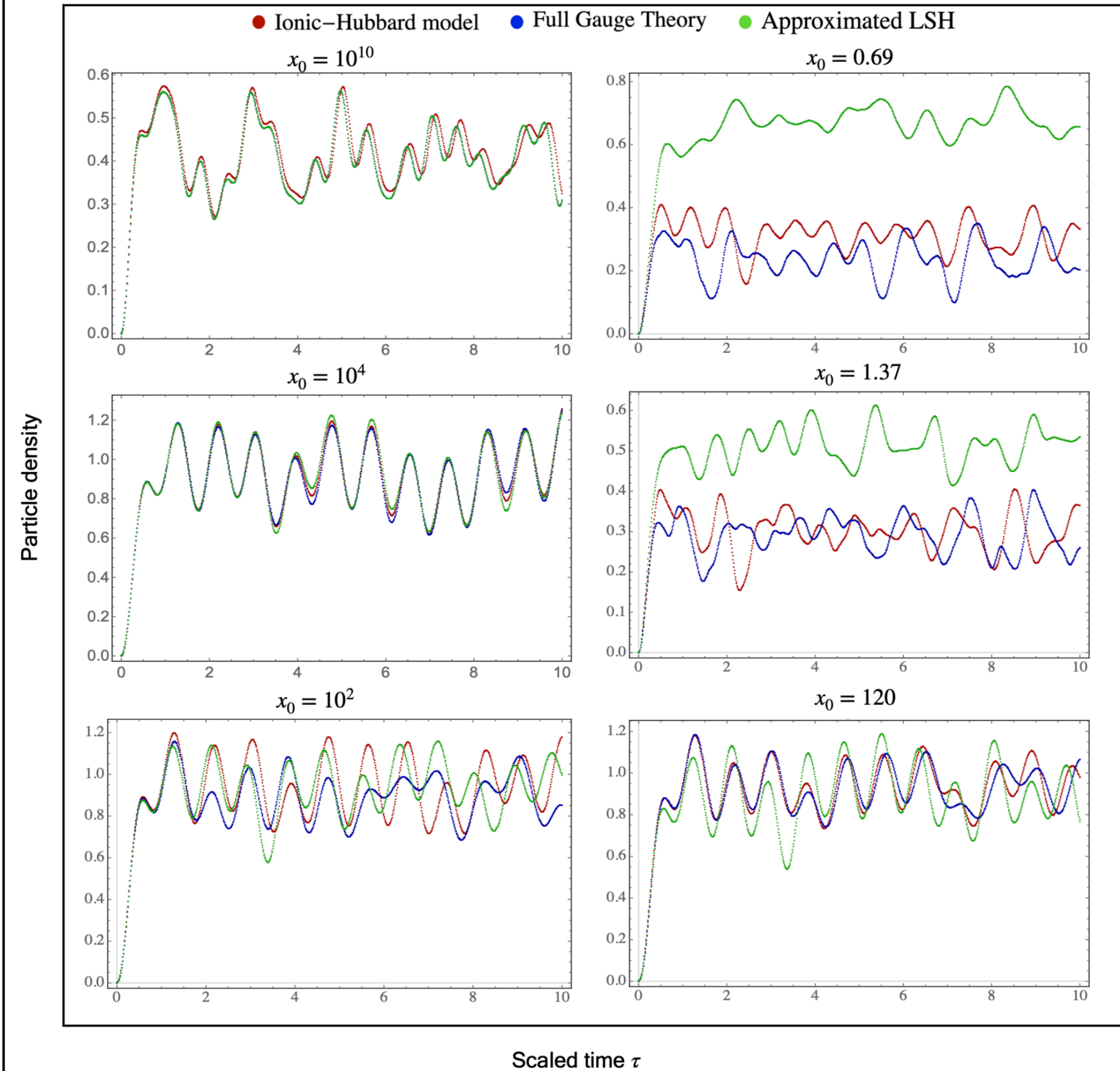
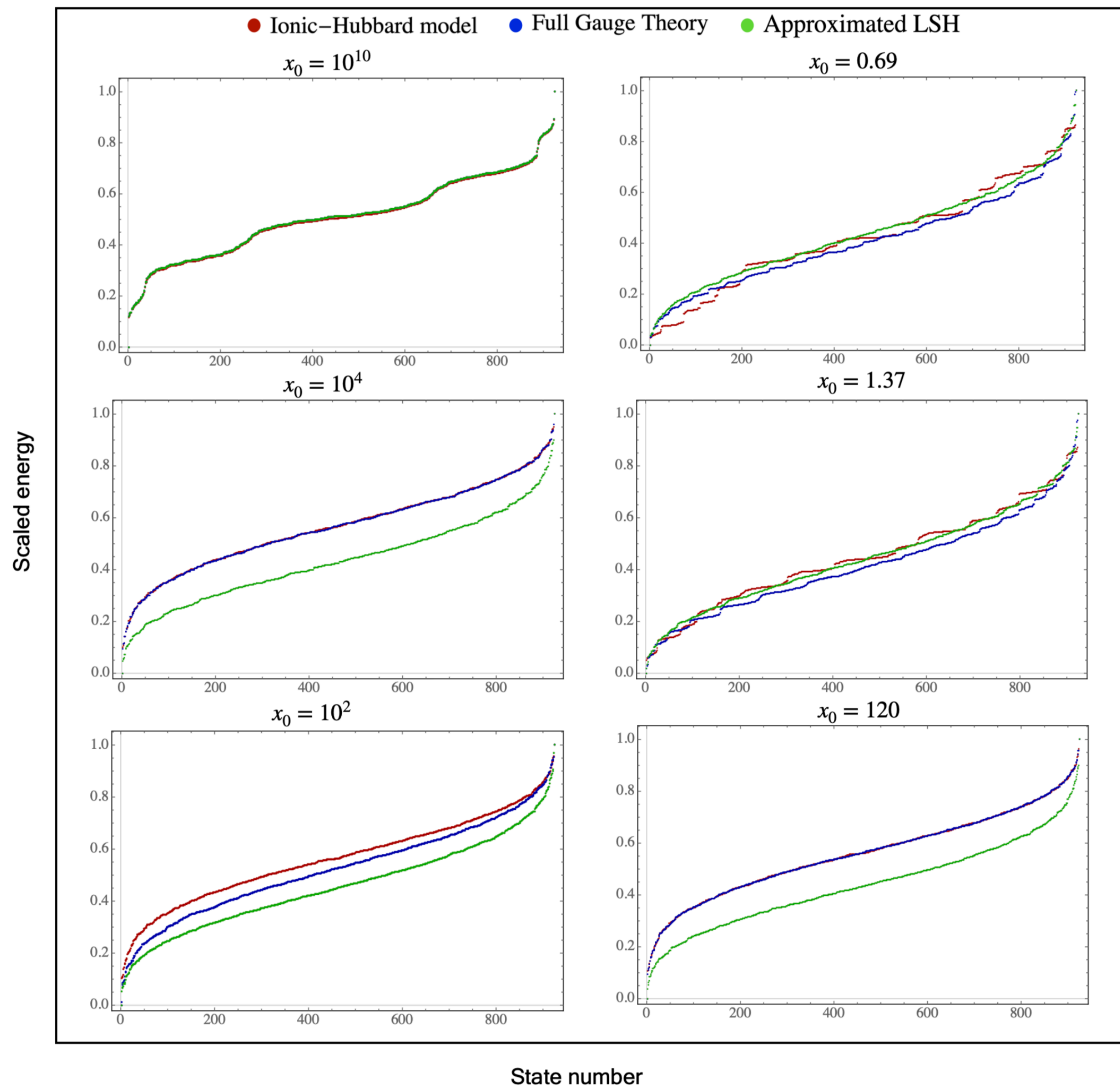
Pair creation dynamics in lattice gauge theory



Simulated Dynamics: cartoon



Numerical Comparison: Exact diagonalization for small lattice



$$x_0 = \frac{1}{g^2 a^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{\text{exp}} &= \frac{\hbar \tau_{\text{atomic}}}{t} \equiv \frac{\tau_{\text{atomic}}}{1.5716} \text{ ms} \\ &\Rightarrow \equiv \frac{2a\tau_{\text{gauge}}}{1.5716} \text{ ms.} \end{aligned}$$

Other recent efforts: Digital quantum computing for SU(2)

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SU(2) non-Abelian gauge field theory in one dimension on digital quantum computers

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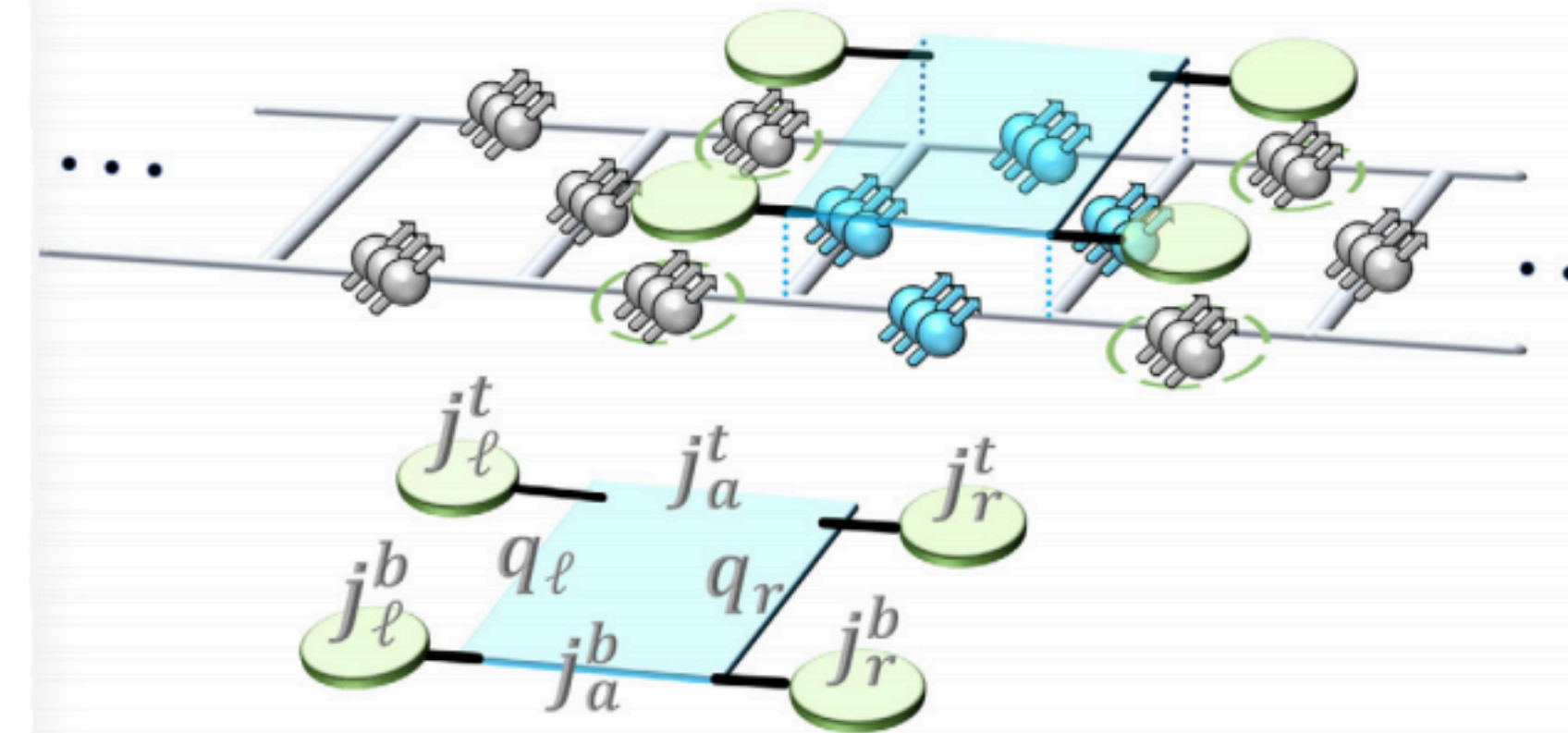
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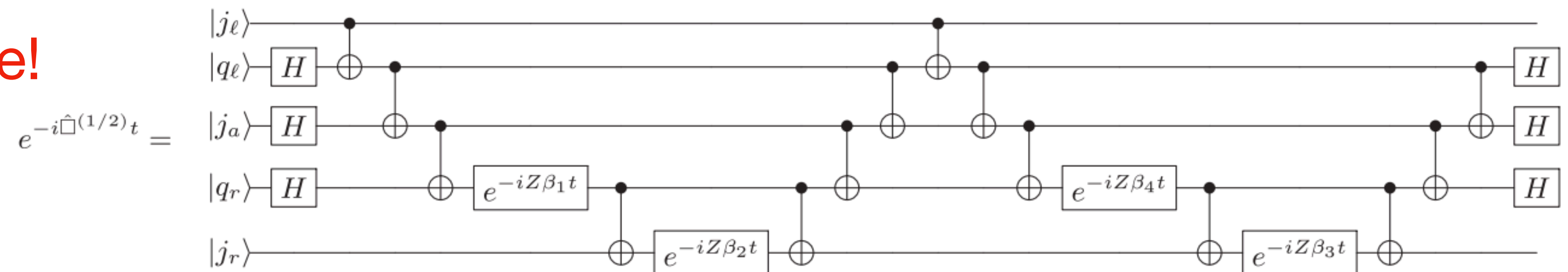
A dynamical quantum simulation of SU(2) non-Abelian gauge field theory on a digital quantum computer is presented. This was enabled on current quantum hardware by introducing a mapping of the field onto a register of qubits that utilizes local gauge symmetry while preserving local constraints on the fields, reducing the dimensionality of the calculation. Controlled plaquette operators and gauge-variant completions in the unphysical part of the Hilbert space were designed and used to implement time evolution. The new techniques developed in this work generalize to quantum simulations of higher dimensional gauge field theories.

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$$\hat{U}_{\alpha\beta}|j,a,b\rangle = \sum_{\oplus J} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(j)}{\dim(J)}} |J,a+\alpha,b+\beta\rangle \times \left\langle j,a,\frac{1}{2},\alpha \left| J,a+\alpha \right. \right\rangle \left\langle j,b,\frac{1}{2},\beta \left| J,b+\beta \right. \right\rangle$$



Not a scalable scheme!



Other recent efforts: Digital quantum computing for SU(2)

SU(2) hadrons on a quantum computer

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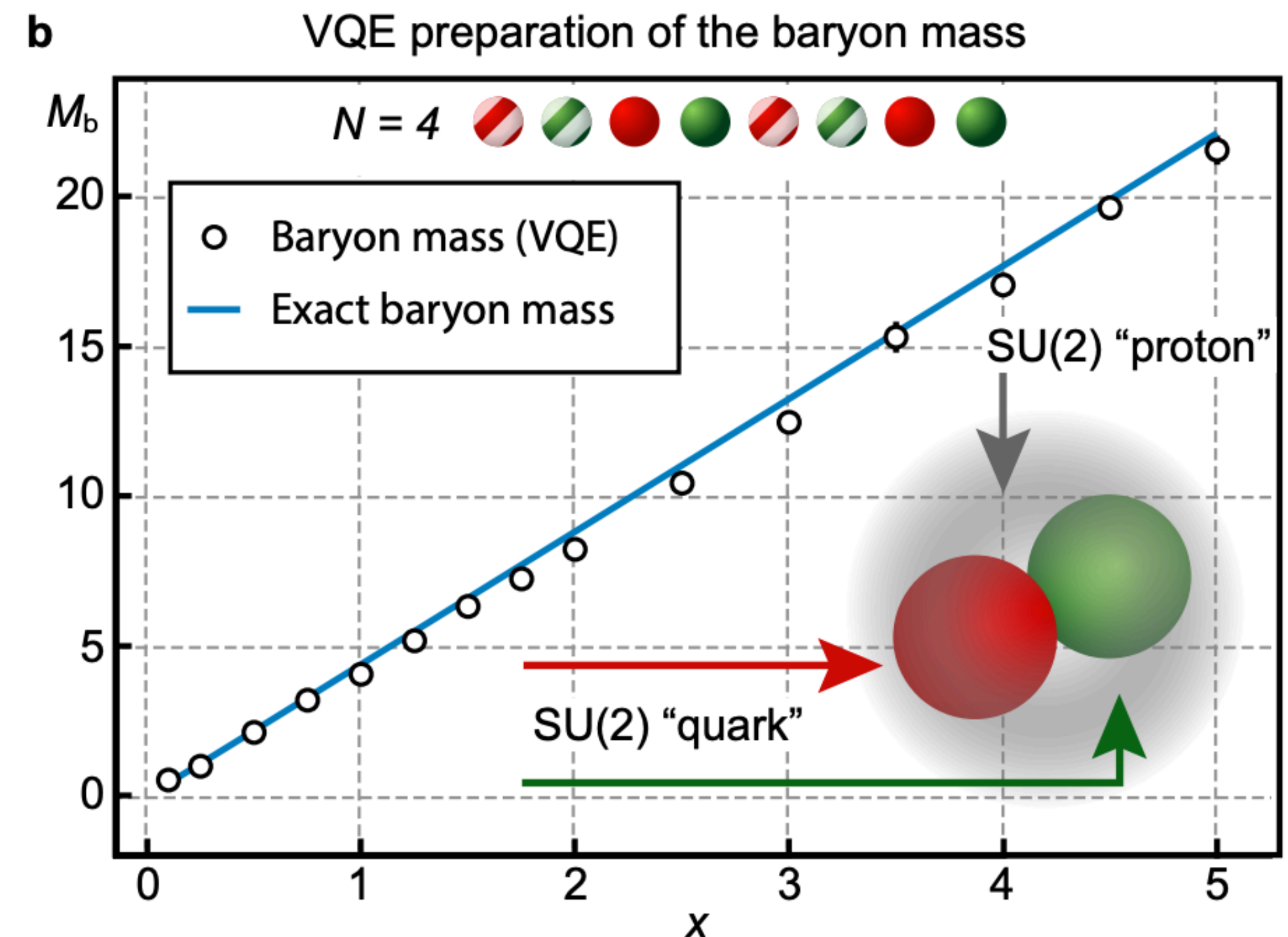
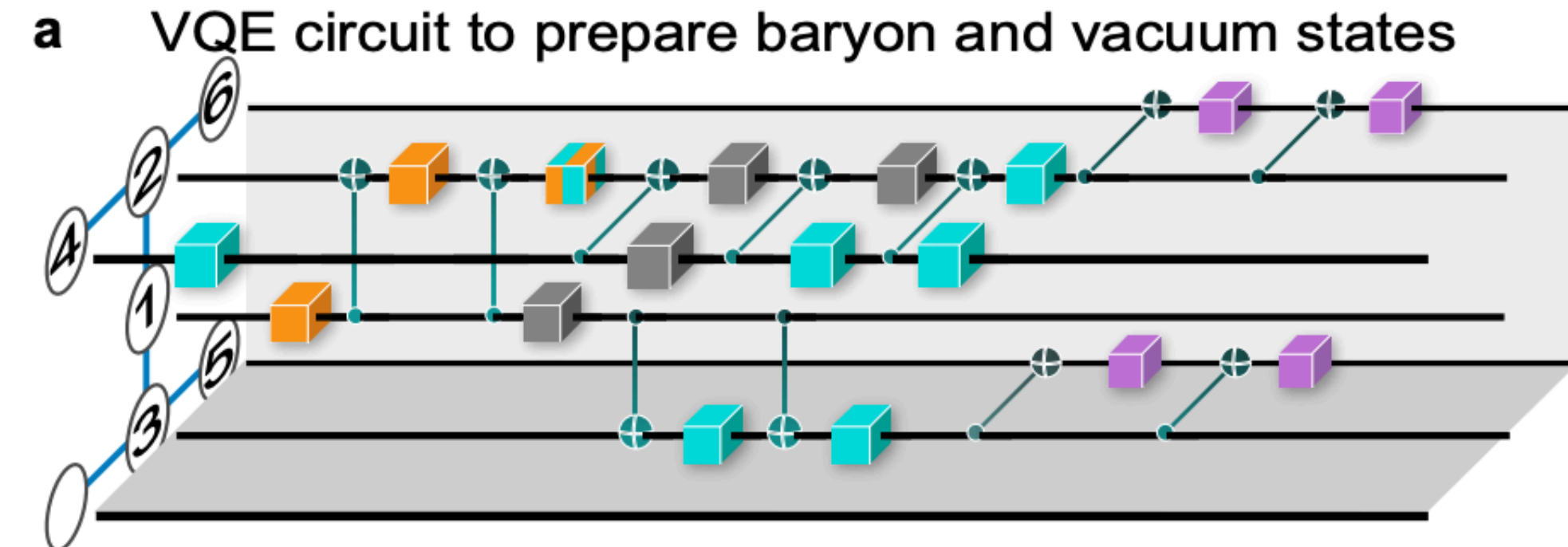
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We realize, for the first time, a non-Abelian gauge theory with both gauge and matter fields on a quantum computer. This enables the observation of hadrons and the calculation of their associated masses. The SU(2) gauge group considered here represents an important first step towards ultimately studying quantum chromodynamics, the theory that describes the properties of protons, neutrons and other hadrons. Quantum computers are able to create important new opportunities for ongoing essential research on gauge theories by providing simulations that are unattainable on classical computers. Our calculations on an IBM superconducting platform utilize a variational quantum eigensolver to study both meson and baryon states, hadrons which have never been seen in a non-Abelian simulation on a quantum computer. We develop a resource-efficient approach that not only allows the implementation of a full SU(2) gauge theory on present-day quantum hardware, but further lays out the premises for future quantum simulations that will address currently unanswered questions in particle and nuclear physics.

Not generalisable to higher dimensions!



Other recent efforts: Digital quantum computing for SU(2)

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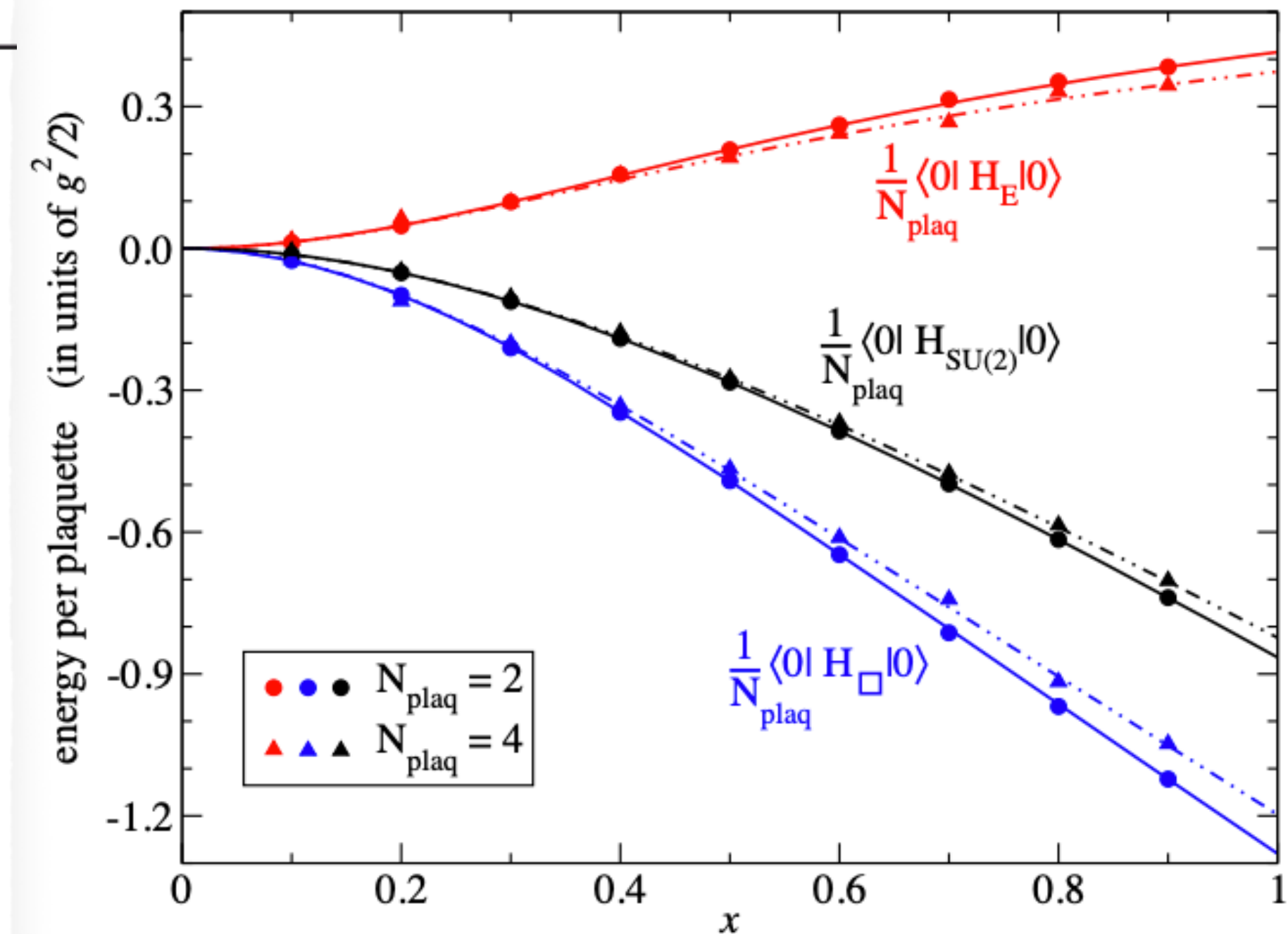
SU(2) lattice gauge theory on a quantum annealer

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Lattice gauge theory is an essential tool for strongly interacting non-Abelian fields, such as those in quantum chromodynamics where lattice results have been of central importance for several decades. Recent studies suggest that quantum computers could extend the reach of lattice gauge theory in dramatic ways, but the usefulness of quantum annealing hardware for lattice gauge theory has not yet been explored. In this work, we implement SU(2) pure gauge theory on a quantum annealer for lattices comprising a few plaquettes in a row with a periodic boundary condition. These plaquettes are in two spatial dimensions and calculations use the Hamiltonian formulation where time is not discretized. Numerical results are obtained from calculations on D-Wave Advantage hardware for eigenvalues, eigenvectors, vacuum expectation values, and time evolution. The success of this initial exploration indicates that the quantum annealer might become a useful hardware platform for some aspects of lattice gauge theories.



Alternative for gate based quantum computing: D-wave annealer
Promising as the data points are more precise than NISQ hardwares

Most promising recent effort: SU(3) gauge theory on a quantum computer

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Editors' Suggestion

Trailhead for quantum simulation of SU(3) Yang-Mills lattice gauge theory in the local multiplet basis

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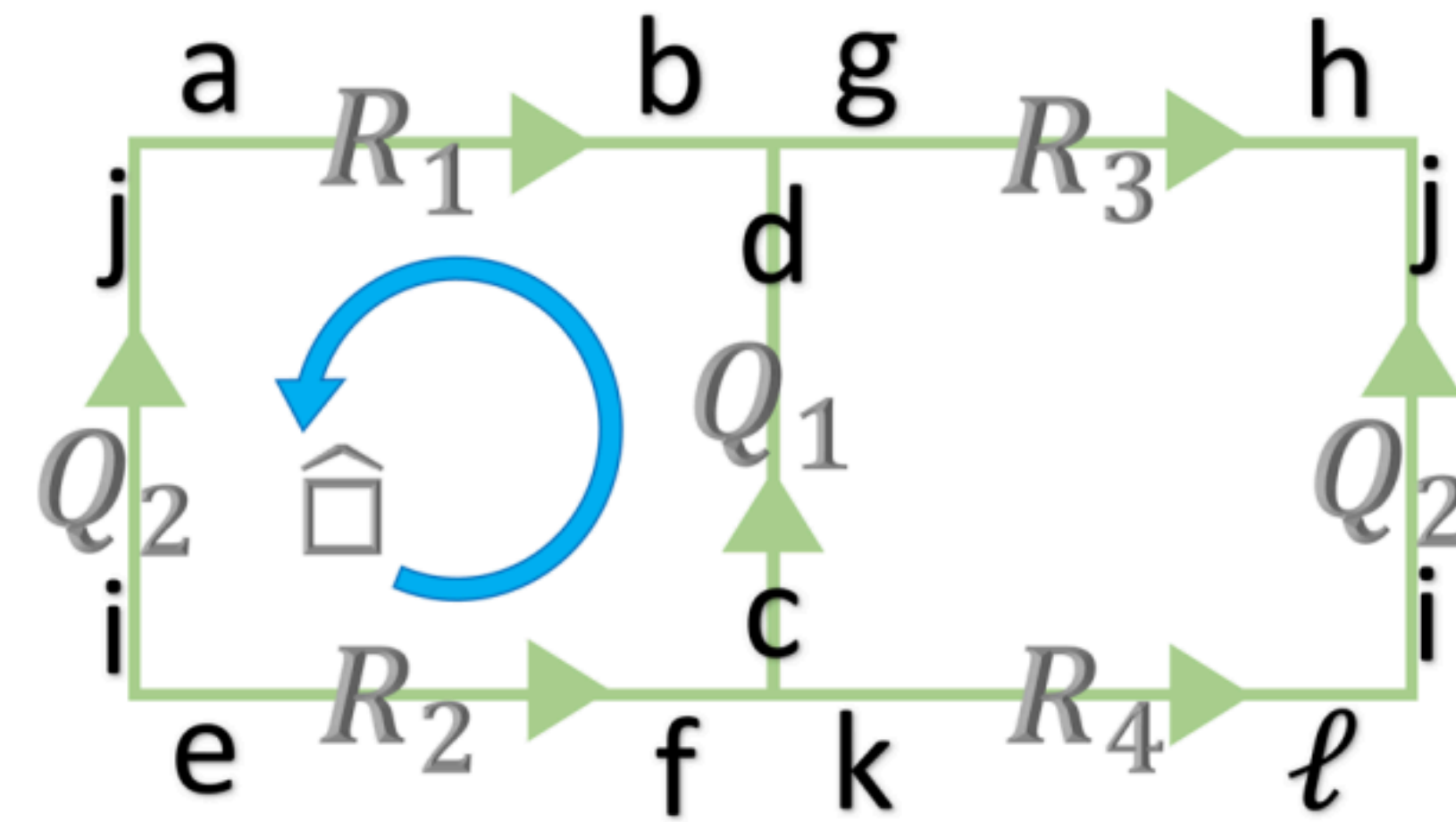


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Maintaining local interactions in the quantum simulation of gauge field theories relegates most states in the Hilbert space to be unphysical—theoretically benign, but experimentally difficult to avoid. Reformulations of the gauge fields can modify the ratio of physical to gauge-variant states often through classically preprocessing the Hilbert space and modifying the representation of the field on qubit degrees of freedom. This paper considers the implications of representing SU(3) Yang-Mills gauge theory on a lattice of irreducible representations in both a global basis of projected global quantum numbers and a local basis in which controlled-plaquette operators support efficient time evolution. Classically integrating over the internal gauge space at each vertex (e.g., color isospin and color hypercharge) significantly reduces both the qubit requirements and the dimensionality of the unphysical Hilbert space. Initiating tuning procedures that may inform future calculations at scale, the time evolution of one and two plaquettes are implemented on one of IBM's superconducting quantum devices, and early benchmark quantities are identified. The potential advantages of qudit environments, with either constrained two-dimensional hexagonal or one-dimensional nearest-neighbor internal state connectivity, are discussed for future large-scale calculations.

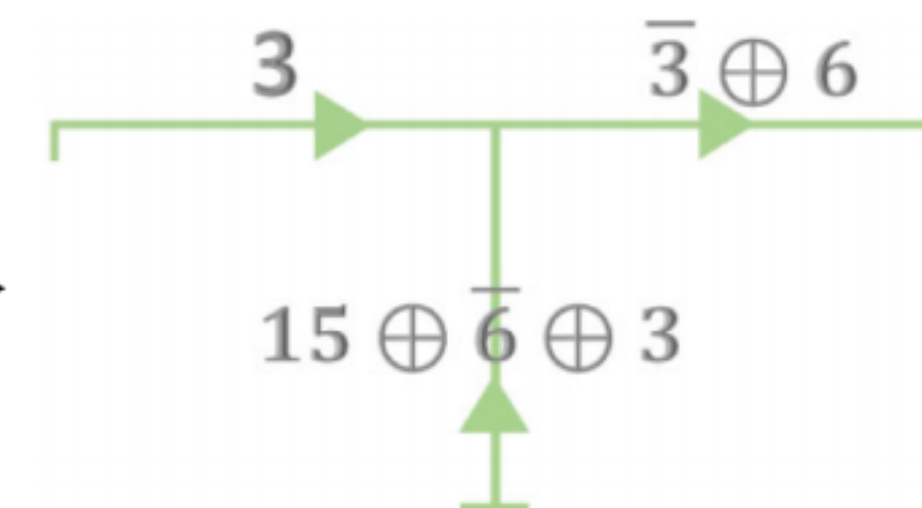
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Actual implementation:
Global basis for a 2 plaquette system
With minimal cut-off.



Local multiplet basis at each site:

$$\hat{\square}^\dagger |\mathbf{3}\rangle_{C_1} |\mathbf{8}\rangle_{Q_\ell} |\mathbf{3}\rangle_{R_t} \rightarrow$$



$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{C}_1, \mathbf{R}'_t, \mathbf{C}_3 \\ \mathbf{Q}'_\ell, \mathbf{Q}'_r \\ \mathbf{C}_2, \mathbf{R}'_b, \mathbf{C}_4 \end{pmatrix} \middle| \hat{\square} \middle| \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{C}_1, \mathbf{R}_t, \mathbf{C}_3 \\ \mathbf{Q}_\ell, \mathbf{Q}_r \\ \mathbf{C}_2, \mathbf{R}_b, \mathbf{C}_4 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\dim(\mathbf{R}_t) \dim(\mathbf{R}_b)}{\dim(\mathbf{R}'_t) \dim(\mathbf{R}'_b) \dim(\mathbf{Q}_\ell) \dim(\mathbf{Q}_r) \dim(\mathbf{Q}'_\ell)^3 \dim(\mathbf{Q}'_r)^3}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{matrix} \overline{\mathbf{R}}_t & \mathbf{C}_1 & \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_\ell \\ \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{3} \\ \overline{\mathbf{R}}'_t & \mathbf{C}_1 & \overline{\mathbf{Q}}'_\ell \end{matrix} \right\} \bullet \left\{ \begin{matrix} \mathbf{R}_t & \overline{\mathbf{C}}_3 & \overline{\mathbf{Q}}_r \\ \overline{\mathbf{3}} & \mathbf{1} & \overline{\mathbf{3}} \\ \mathbf{R}'_t & \overline{\mathbf{C}}_3 & \overline{\mathbf{Q}}'_r \end{matrix} \right\} \bullet \left\{ \begin{matrix} \overline{\mathbf{R}}_b & \mathbf{C}_2 & \mathbf{Q}_\ell \\ \overline{\mathbf{3}} & \mathbf{1} & \overline{\mathbf{3}} \\ \overline{\mathbf{R}}'_b & \mathbf{C}_2 & \mathbf{Q}'_\ell \end{matrix} \right\} \bullet \left\{ \begin{matrix} \mathbf{R}_b & \overline{\mathbf{C}}_4 & \mathbf{Q}_r \\ \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{R}'_b & \overline{\mathbf{C}}_4 & \mathbf{Q}'_r \end{matrix} \right\} \bullet$$

Summary

Quantum computation/simulation of LGT demands for convenient framework and basis.

With the original Kogut-Susskind formalism: beyond Schwinger model is extremely difficult.

LSH formalism: takes care of most of the complications,
exactly equivalent to the original formulation,
transforms SU(2) LGT in any dimension equivalent to Schwinger model,

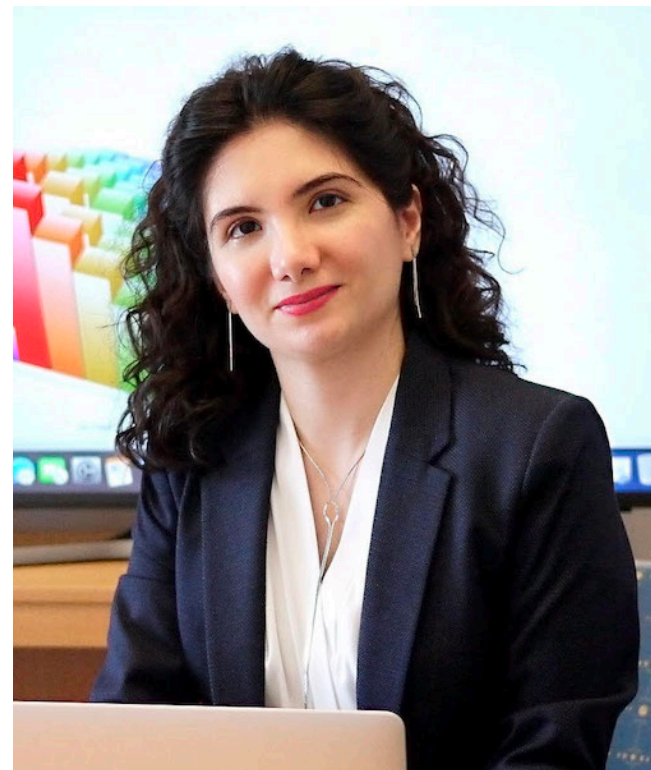
Immediate and straightforward applications of LSH both in analog and digital simulation has demonstrated profound advantages over any other framework

Future goal:

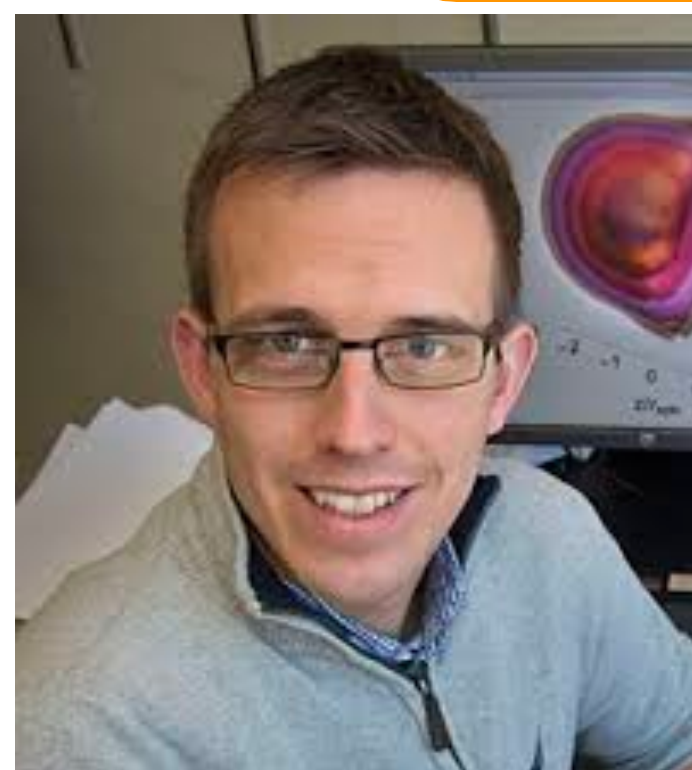
LSH formalism for SU(3) in 3+1 dimensions

— —> expected to be useful for quantum computing QCD.

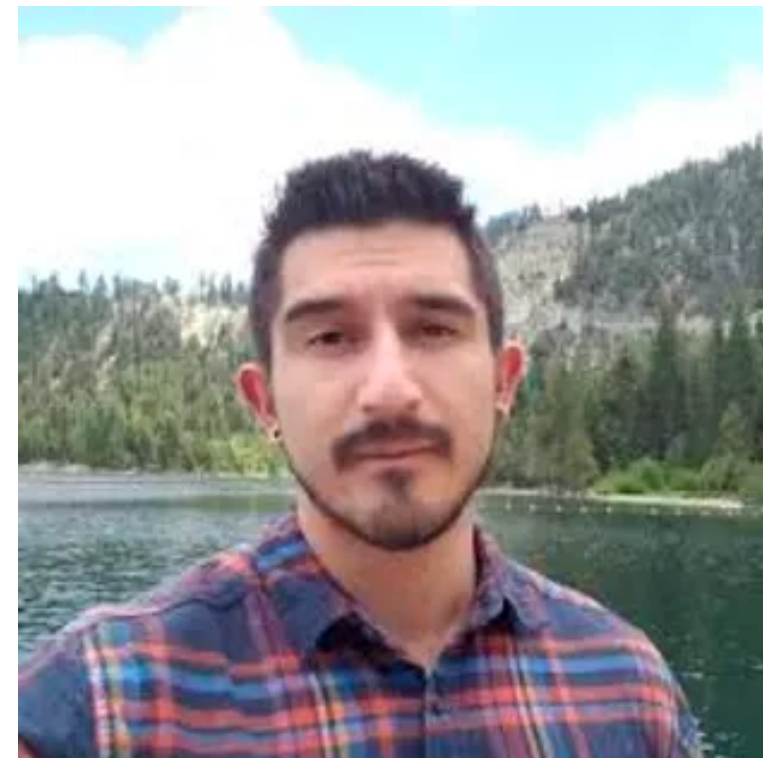
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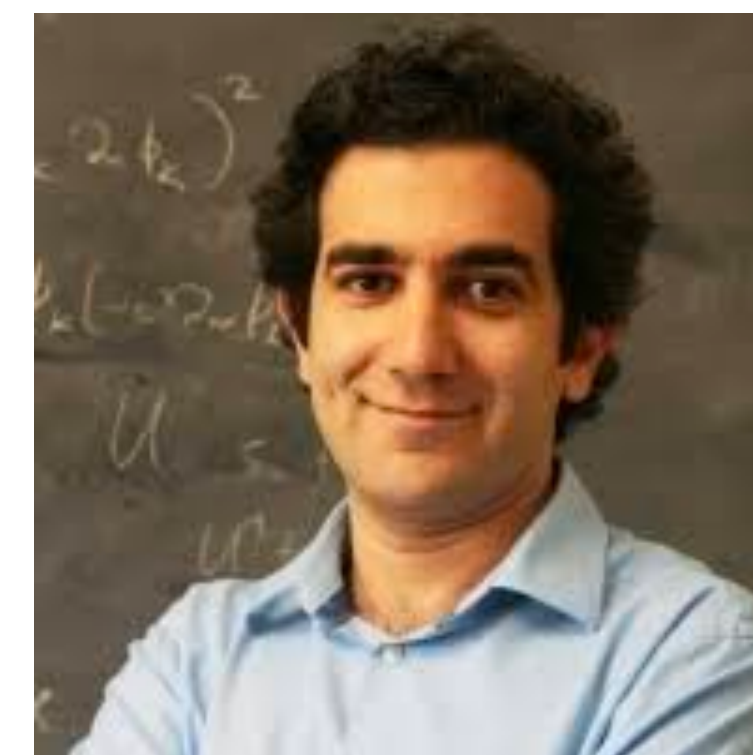
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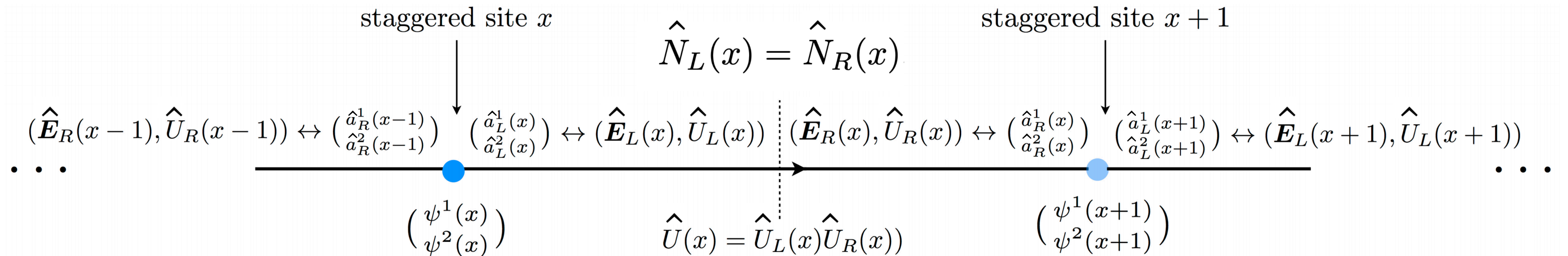


Victor Albert

Thank You

Back-up slides

Loop String Hadron (LSH) Formulation in 1 spatial dimension



$$\hat{E}_{L/R}^a \equiv \hat{a}^\dagger(L/R)T^a\hat{a}(L/R)$$

$$[\hat{E}_L^a, \hat{E}_L^b] = i\epsilon^{abc}\hat{E}_L^c,$$

$$[\hat{E}_R^a, \hat{E}_R^b] = i\epsilon^{abc}\hat{E}_R^c,$$

$$[\hat{E}_L^a, \hat{E}_R^b] = 0.$$

$$[\hat{E}_L^a, \hat{U}] = -T^a\hat{U},$$

$$[\hat{E}_R^a, \hat{U}] = +\hat{U}T^a,$$

$$[\hat{U}_{\alpha\beta}, \hat{U}_{\gamma\delta}] = [\hat{U}_{\alpha\beta}, (\hat{U}_{\gamma\delta})^\dagger] = 0$$

$$\hat{U}_L \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hat{N}_L + 1}} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}_2^\dagger(L) & \hat{a}_1(L) \\ -\hat{a}_1^\dagger(L) & \hat{a}_2(L) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\hat{U}_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \hat{a}_1^\dagger(R) & \hat{a}_2^\dagger(R) \\ -\hat{a}_2(R) & \hat{a}_1(R) \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hat{N}_R + 1}}.$$

$$\hat{E}^2 \equiv \hat{E}_L^a \hat{E}_L^a = \hat{E}_R^a \hat{E}_R^a$$

$$\hat{N}_{L/R} = \hat{a}^\dagger(L/R) \cdot \hat{a}(L/R)$$

Abelian Gauss' Law

$$N_L(x) = N_R(x)$$

Local SU(2) Invariant Operators in 1d: loops-strings- hadrons

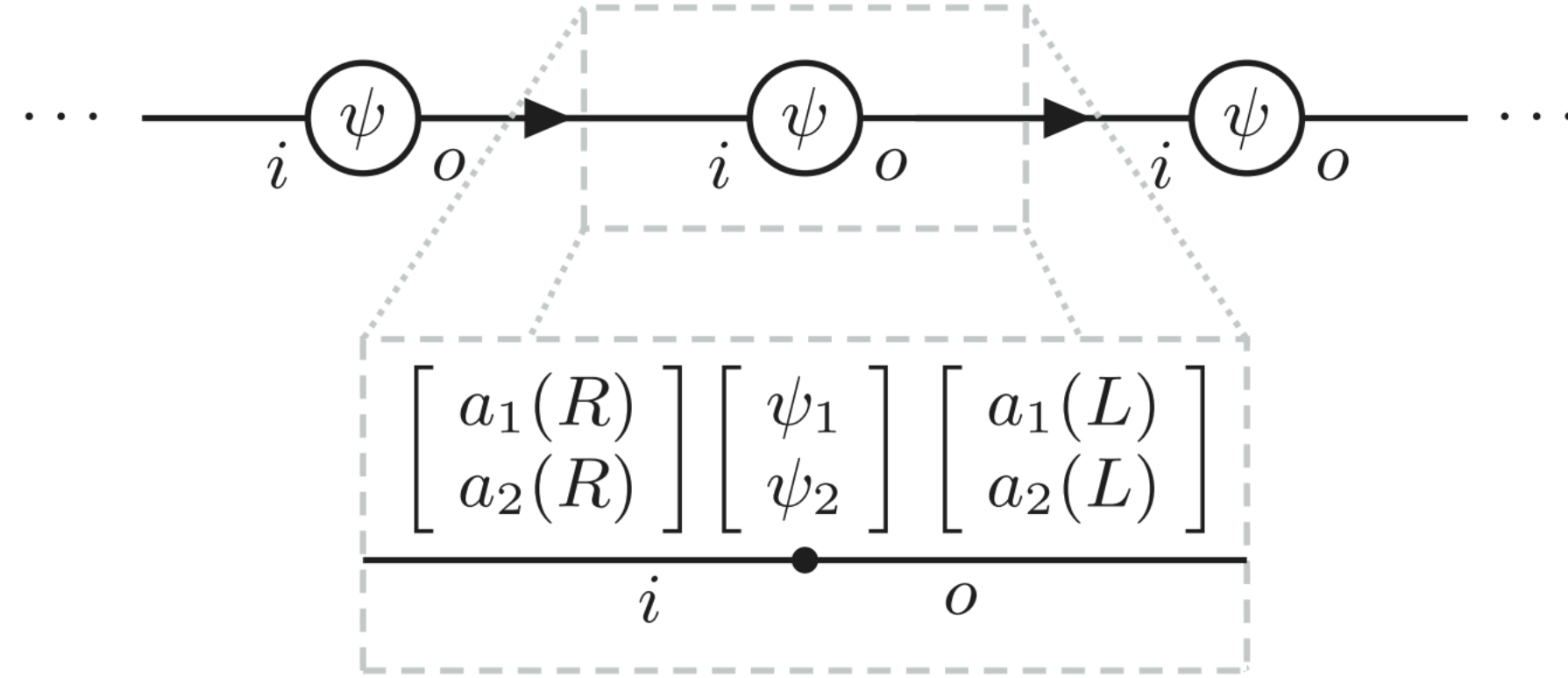
(i) *Pure gauge loop operators.*— $\mathcal{L}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

$$\mathcal{L}^{++} = a(R)_\alpha^\dagger a(L)_\beta^\dagger \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{--} = a(R)_\alpha a(L)_\beta \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{L}^{++})^\dagger$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{+-} = a(R)_\alpha^\dagger a(L)_\beta \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-+} = a(R)_\alpha a(L)_\beta^\dagger \delta_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{L}^{+-})^\dagger.$$



(ii) *Incoming string operators.*— $\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{++} = a(R)_\alpha^\dagger \psi_\beta^\dagger \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{--} = a(R)_\alpha \psi_\beta \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{++})^\dagger$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{+-} = a(R)_\alpha^\dagger \psi_\beta \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{-+} = a(R)_\alpha \psi_\beta^\dagger \delta_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{+-})^\dagger.$$

Outgoing string operators.— $\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{++} = \psi_\alpha^\dagger a(L)_\beta^\dagger \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{--} = \psi_\alpha a(L)_\beta \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{++})^\dagger$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{+-} = \psi_\alpha^\dagger a(L)_\beta \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{-+} = \psi_\alpha a(L)_\beta^\dagger \delta_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{+-})^\dagger.$$

Hadron operators.— $\mathcal{H}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

$$\mathcal{H}^{++} = -\frac{1}{2!} \psi_\alpha^\dagger \psi_\beta^\dagger \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}$$

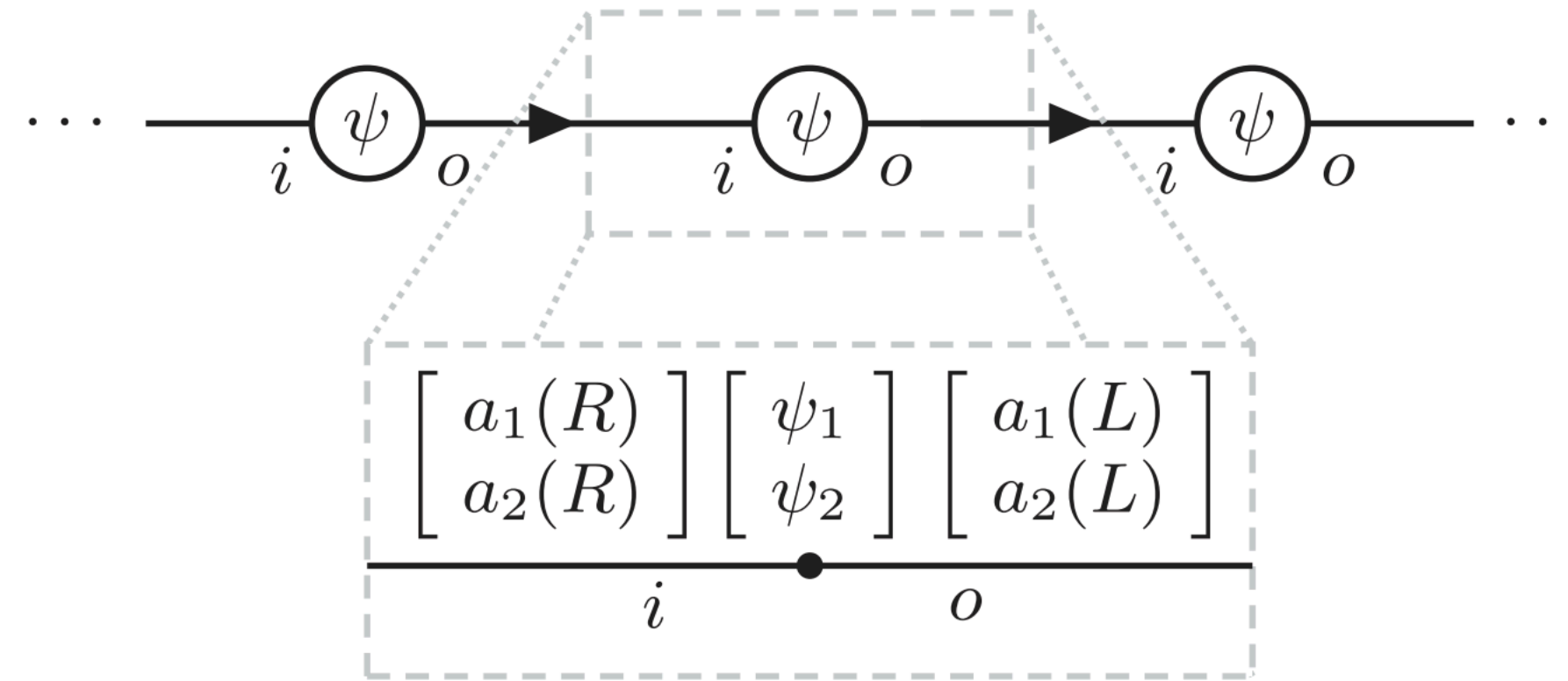
$$\mathcal{H}^{--} = \frac{1}{2!} \psi_\alpha \psi_\beta \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = (\mathcal{H}^{++})^\dagger.$$

$$(1/2)\mathcal{L}^{--}(\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{++})^{n_i}(\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{++})^{n_o}|0\rangle = \delta_{n_i,1}\delta_{n_o,1}\mathcal{H}^{++}|0\rangle$$

Local SU(2) Invariant Operators in 1d: loops-strings- hadrons

(i) *Pure gauge loop operators.*— $\mathcal{L}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

Gauge singlets
constructed out of
left and right bosons



(ii) *Incoming string operators.*— $\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

Gauge singlets
constructed out of
left bosons and
fermions

Outgoing string operators.— $\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

Gauge singlets
constructed out of
Right boson and
fermions

Hadron operators.— $\mathcal{H}^{\sigma,\sigma'}$:

Gauge singlets
constructed out of
two fermions

$$(1/2)\mathcal{L}^{--}(\mathcal{S}_{\text{in}}^{++})^{n_i}(\mathcal{S}_{\text{out}}^{++})^{n_o}|0\rangle = \delta_{n_i,1}\delta_{n_o,1}\mathcal{H}^{++}|0\rangle$$

LSH Formulation: local LSH basis

At each site define: $n_l(x), n_i(x), n_o(x)$.

$$|n_l, n_i, n_o\rangle = \left(\mathcal{L}^{++}\right)^{n_l} \left(\mathcal{S}_i^{++}\right)^{n_i} \left(\mathcal{S}_o^{++}\right)^{n_o} |0\rangle$$

$$0 \leq n_l(x) \leq \infty,$$

$$n_i(x) \in \{0, 1\},$$

$$n_o(x) \in \{0, 1\}.$$

Abelian weaving along the link: $\hat{n}_l(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)(1 - \hat{n}_i(x)) = \hat{n}_l(x+1) + \hat{n}_i(x+1)(1 - \hat{n}_o(x+1)).$

Hamiltonian, describing dynamics of loops, strings and hadrons.

$$H^{(\text{LSH})} = H_I^{(\text{LSH})} + H_E^{(\text{LSH})} + H_M^{(\text{LSH})}$$

$$H_I^{(\text{LSH})} = \frac{1}{2a} \sum_n \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hat{n}_l(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)(1 - \hat{n}_i(x)) + 1}} \right. \\ \times \left[\hat{S}_o^{++}(x) \hat{S}_i^{+-}(x+1) + \hat{S}_o^{+-}(x) \hat{S}_i^{--}(x+1) \right] \\ \left. \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hat{n}_l(x+1) + \hat{n}_i(x+1)(1 - \hat{n}_o(x+1)) + 1}} + \text{h.c.} \right\},$$

$$H_E^{(\text{LSH})} = \frac{g^2 a}{2} \sum_n \left[\frac{\hat{n}_l(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)(1 - \hat{n}_i(x))}{2} \right. \\ \times \left. \left(\frac{\hat{n}_l(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)(1 - \hat{n}_i(x))}{2} + 1 \right) \right],$$

$$H_M^{(\text{LSH})} = m \sum_n (-1)^x (\hat{n}_i(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_o^{++} &= \hat{\chi}_o^+(\lambda^+) \hat{n}_i \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 2 - \hat{n}_i}, \\ \hat{S}_o^{--} &= \hat{\chi}_o^-(\lambda^-) \hat{n}_i \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 2(1 - \hat{n}_i)}, \\ \hat{S}_o^{+-} &= \hat{\chi}_i^+(\lambda^-)^{1-\hat{n}_o} \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 2\hat{n}_o}, \\ \hat{S}_o^{-+} &= \hat{\chi}_i^-(\lambda^+)^{1-\hat{n}_o} \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 1 + \hat{n}_o}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_i^{+-} &= \hat{\chi}_o^-(\lambda^+)^{1-\hat{n}_i} \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 1 + \hat{n}_i}, \\ \hat{S}_i^{-+} &= \hat{\chi}_o^+(\lambda^-)^{1-\hat{n}_i} \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 2\hat{n}_i}, \\ \hat{S}_i^{--} &= \hat{\chi}_i^-(\lambda^-) \hat{n}_o \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 2(1 - \hat{n}_o)}, \\ \hat{S}_i^{++} &= \hat{\chi}_i^+(\lambda^+) \hat{n}_o \sqrt{\hat{n}_l + 2 - \hat{n}_o}. \end{aligned}$$

The strong-coupling vacuum of the LSH Hamiltonian is given by

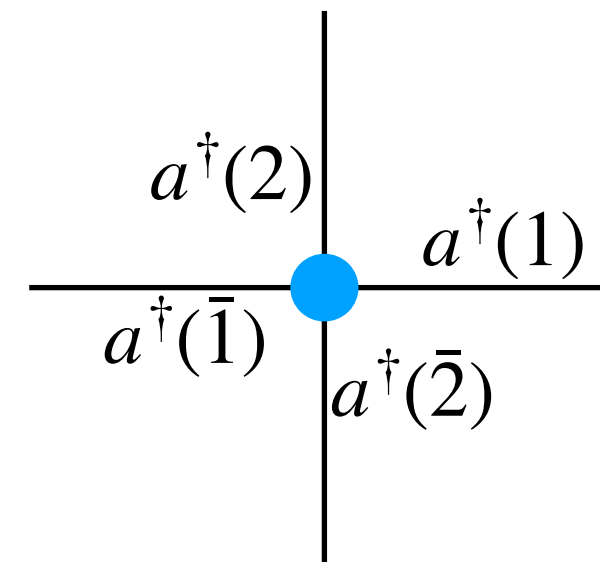
$$\begin{aligned} n_l(x) &= 0, \text{ for all } x, \\ n_i(x) &= 0, \quad n_o(x) = 0, \text{ for } x \text{ even}, \\ n_i(x) &= 1, \quad n_o(x) = 1, \text{ for } x \text{ odd}. \end{aligned}$$

Hamiltonian, describing dynamics of loops, strings and hadrons: Identical spectrum to KS

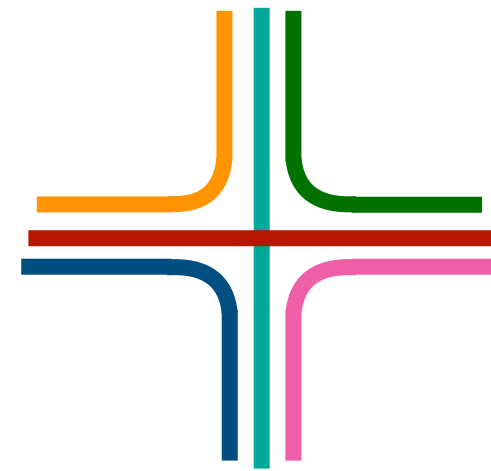
LSH framework in $d > 1$

Prepotential Formulation for 2+1 d:

Local Loop Operator: $\mathcal{L}_{ij}^{++} = \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} a_{\alpha}^{\dagger}(i) a_{\beta}^{\dagger}(j)$

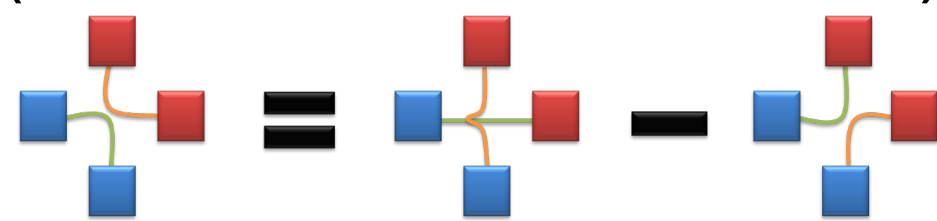


Pictorial representation:



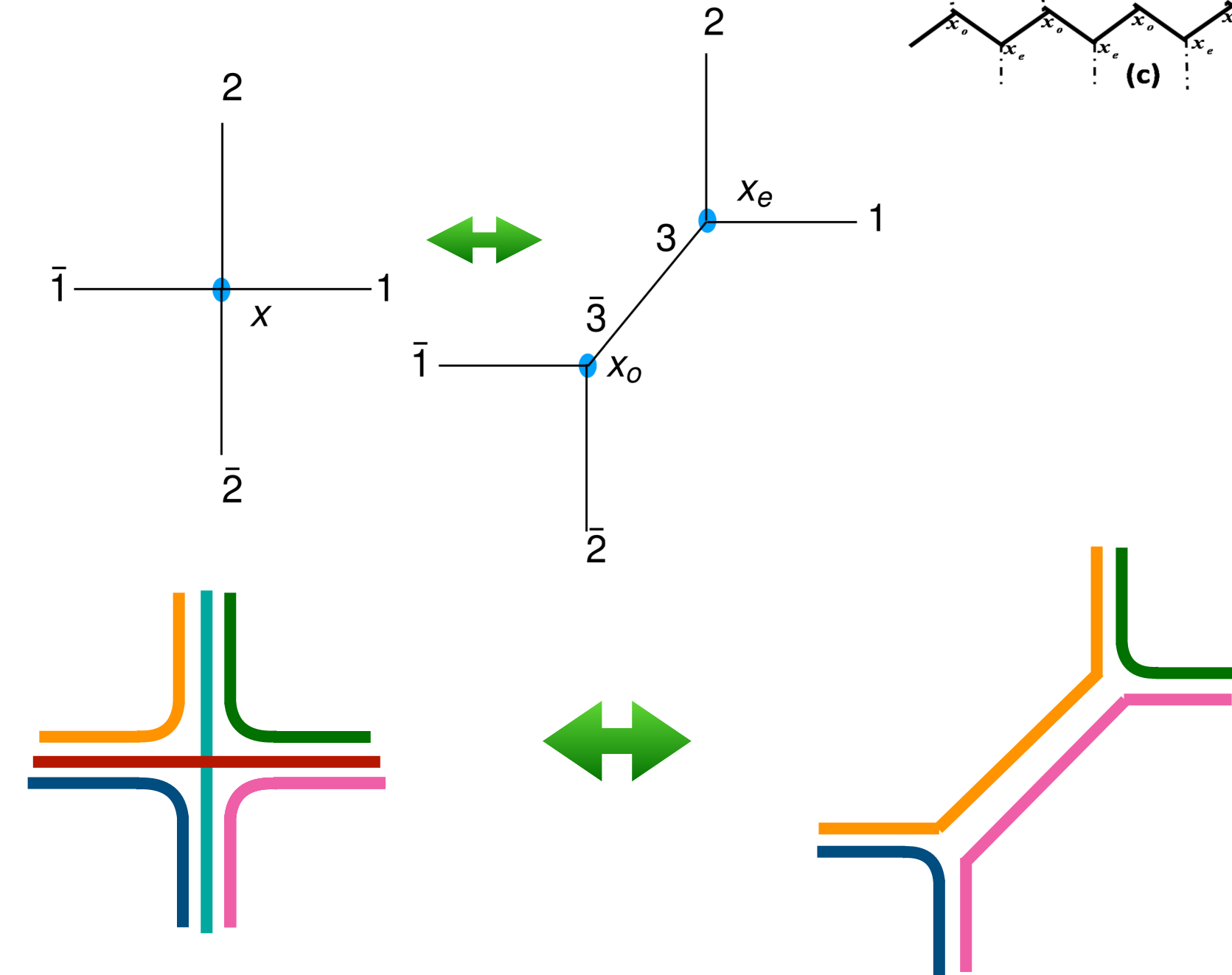
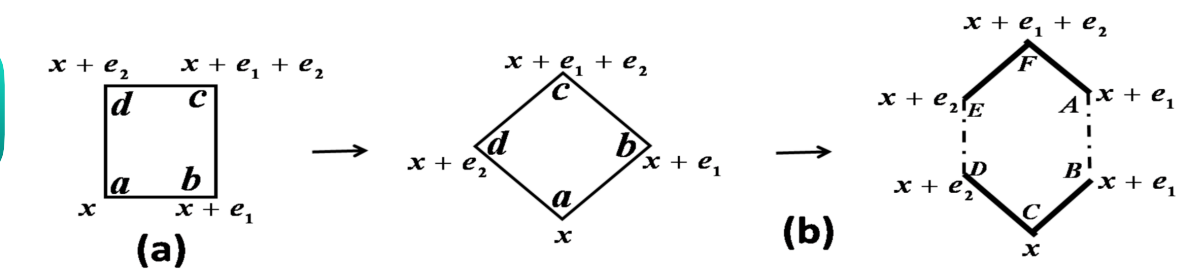
Overcomplete

3 physical d.o.f = 6 (local loop quantum numbers in 2d)
 - 2(Abelian Gauss' law constraint along 2 link directions)
 - 1 (**Mandelstam constraint**)



Non-linear constraints, become increasingly complicated with increasing dimension

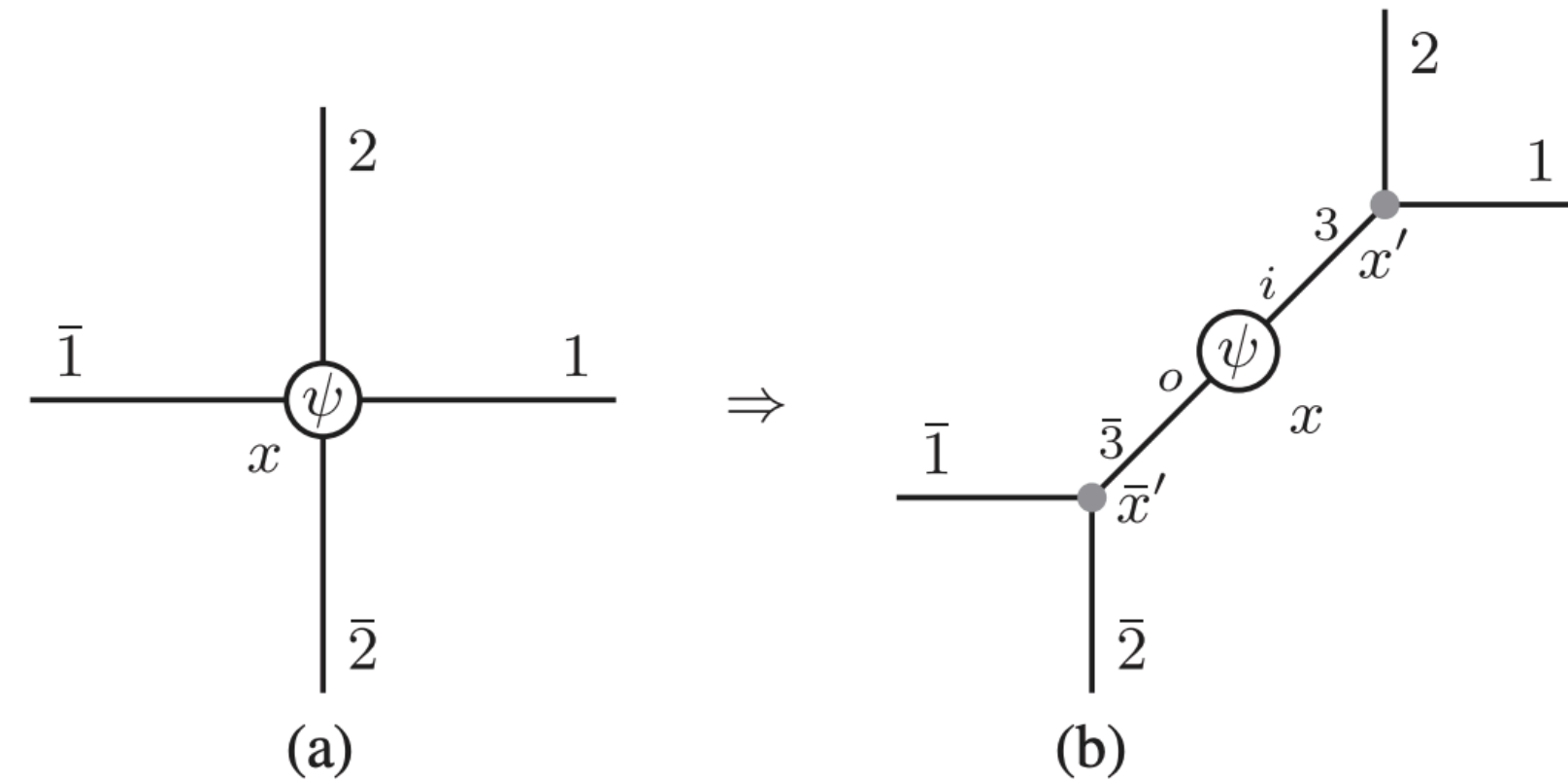
Way out? Virtual point splitting scheme:



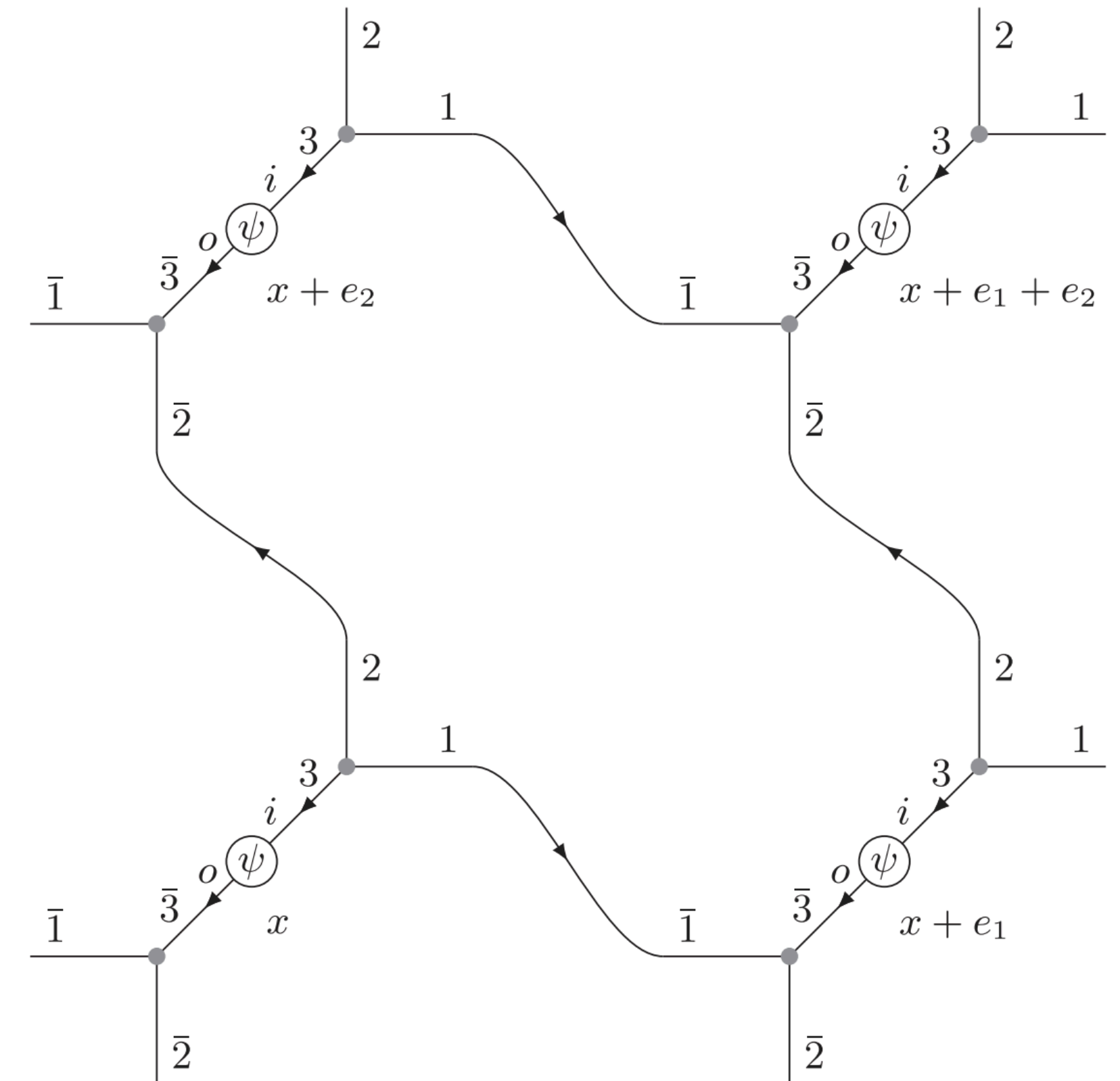
3 physical d.o.f = 2 x 3 (local loop quantum numbers in 2d)
 - 3(Abelian Gauss' law constraint)
 + 0 (**Mandelstam constraint**)

Generalized for arbitrary dimension!

LSH Formalism: 2+1 d



**Matter-Gauge interactions
are same as in 1d**



LSH Formalism: 3+1 d

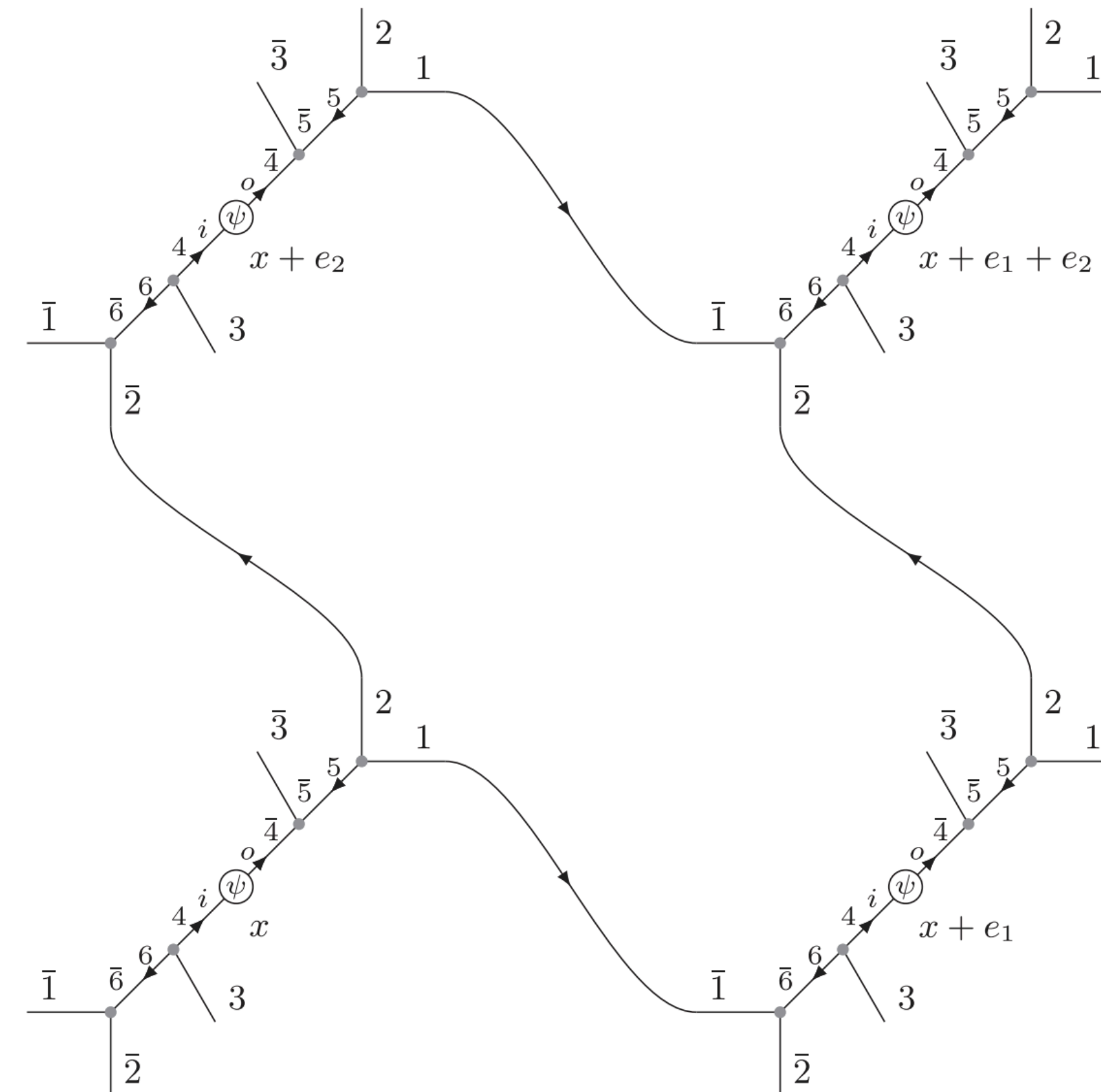
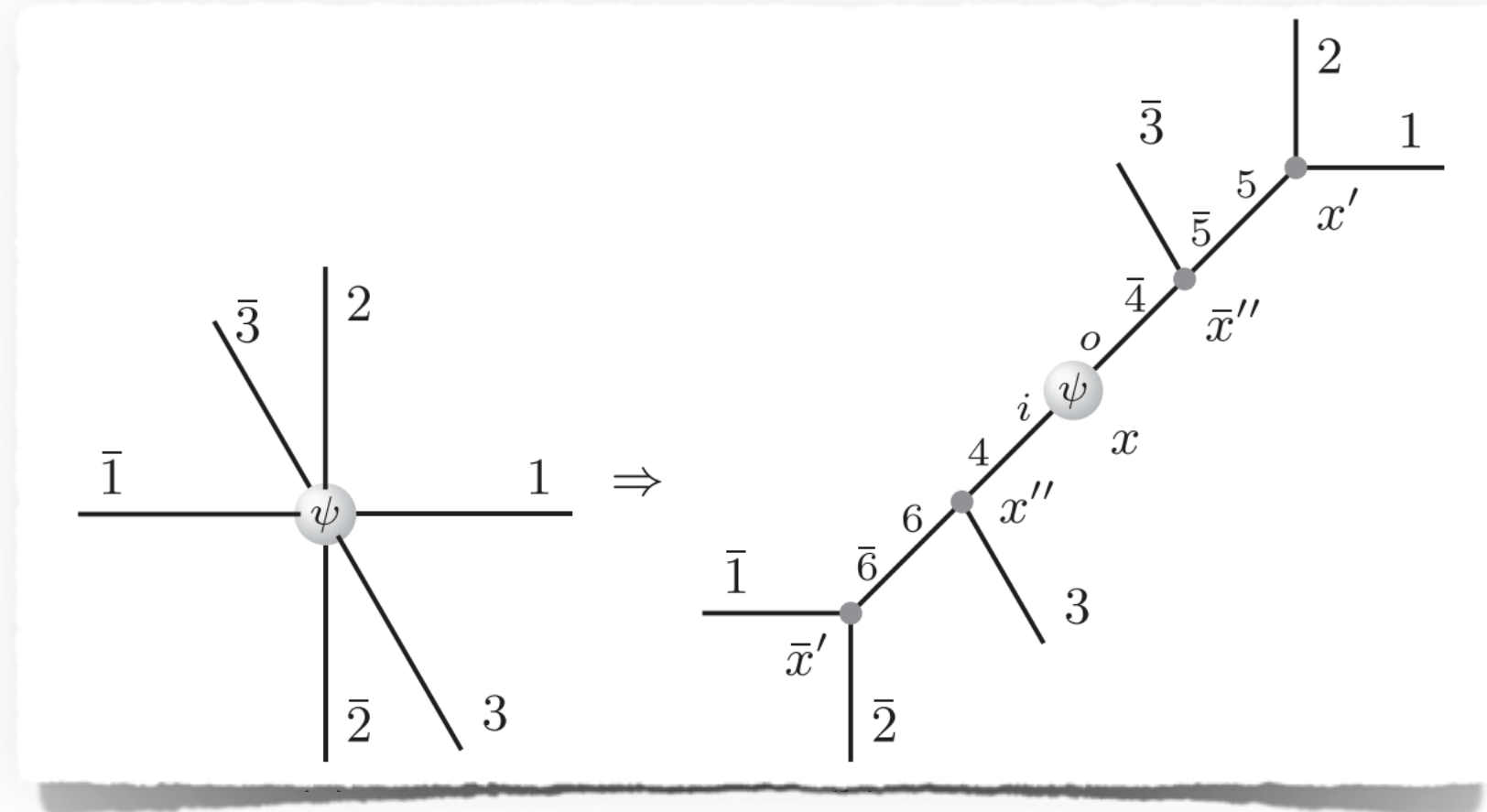


FIG. 7. Connectivity of a xy-plaquette in three dimensions.

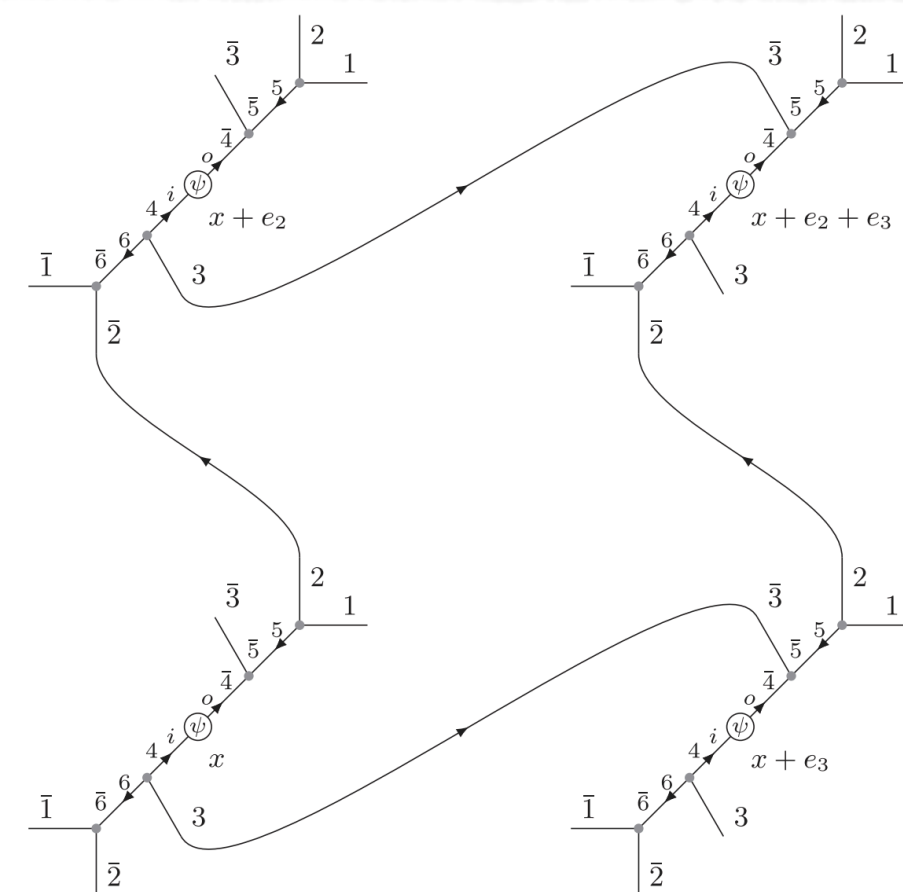


FIG. 8. Connectivity of a yz-plaquette in three dimensions.

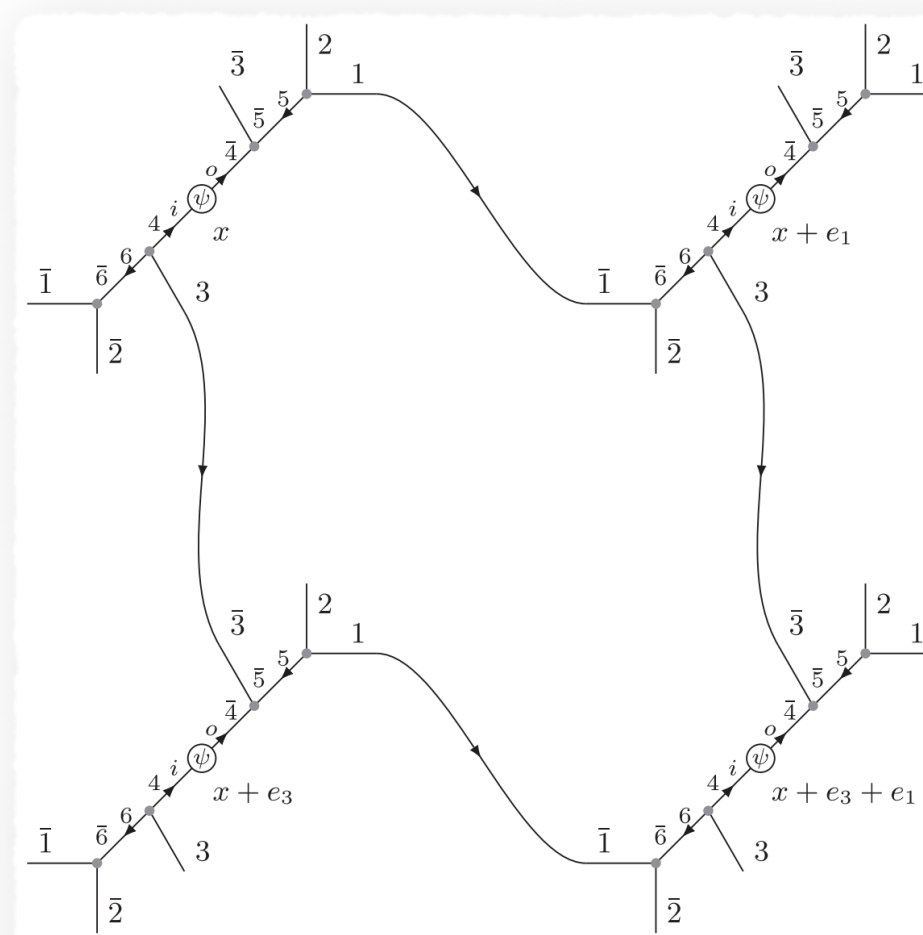


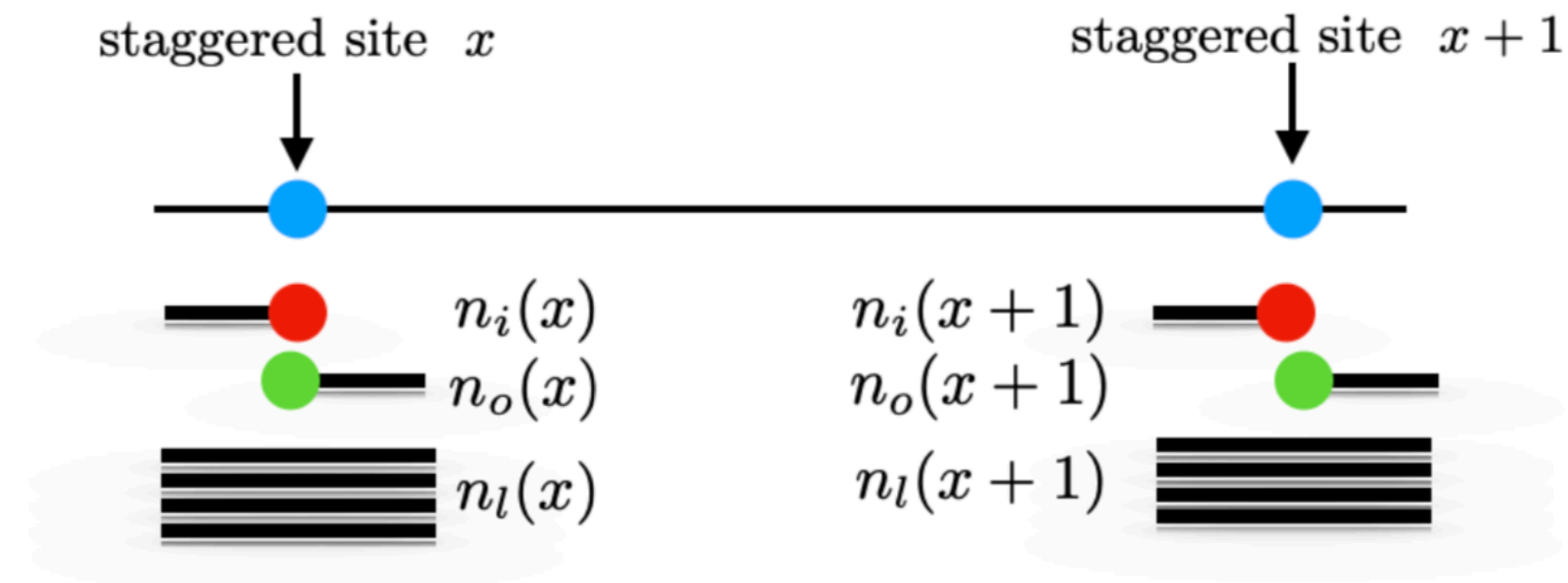
FIG. 9. Connectivity of a zx-plaquette in three dimensions.

- Matter-Gauge interactions are same as in 1+1d
- Pure gauge interactions are same as in 2+1d

Application: Analog Quantum computation

Mean Field Approximation for LSH

In 1d, loop flux is not independent dynamical observable



Low energy sector of weak coupling limit: $g \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad n_l \gg 0$

$$H_E^{(\text{LSH})} = \frac{g^2 a}{2} \sum_n \left[\frac{\hat{n}_l(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)(1 - \hat{n}_i(x))}{2} \times \left(\frac{\hat{n}_l(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)(1 - \hat{n}_i(x))}{2} + 1 \right) \right],$$

$$H_M^{(\text{LSH})} = m \sum_n (-1)^x (\hat{n}_i(x) + \hat{n}_o(x)),$$

Approximation: $n_l(j) = l_i \equiv n_l \quad \forall j.$

Valid Approximation in weak coupling regime!

Application: Analog Quantum computation

Simulated Hamiltonian


$$g \rightarrow 0$$

$$H_E^{(\text{approx})} = \frac{g^2 a}{2} N h_E^0$$

 **Approximated electric term,**
negligible contribution

$$H_M^{(\text{approx})} = m \sum_j (-1)^j (\hat{n}_i(j) + \hat{n}_o(j))$$

$$H_I^{(\text{approx})} = \frac{1}{2a} \sum_j \left[\chi_o^+(j) \chi_o^-(j+1) + \chi_o^-(j) \chi_o^+(j+1) \right. \\ \left. + \chi_i^+(j) \chi_i^-(j+1) + \chi_i^-(j) \chi_i^+(j+1) \right]$$

 **Approximated hopping term,**
good approximation,
significant contribution

$$g \rightarrow \infty$$

$$H_E^{(\text{mLSH})} = \frac{g^2 a}{2} \left[N \frac{n_l}{2} \left(\frac{n_l}{2} + 1 \right) + \frac{N}{4} \left(\frac{n_l}{2} + \frac{3}{4} \right) \right]$$

 **Approximated electric term + correction,**
significant contribution

$$H_M^{(\text{approx})} = m \sum_j (-1)^j (\hat{n}_i(j) + \hat{n}_o(j))$$

$$H_I^{(\text{approx})} = \frac{1}{2a} \sum_j \left[\chi_o^+(j) \chi_o^-(j+1) + \chi_o^-(j) \chi_o^+(j+1) \right. \\ \left. + \chi_i^+(j) \chi_i^-(j+1) + \chi_i^-(j) \chi_i^+(j+1) \right]$$

 **Approximated hopping term,**
bad approximation,
negligible contribution