

Quantum computing for high-energy physics simulations

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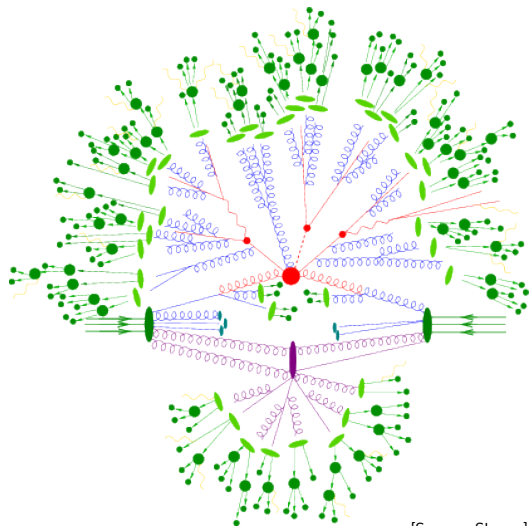
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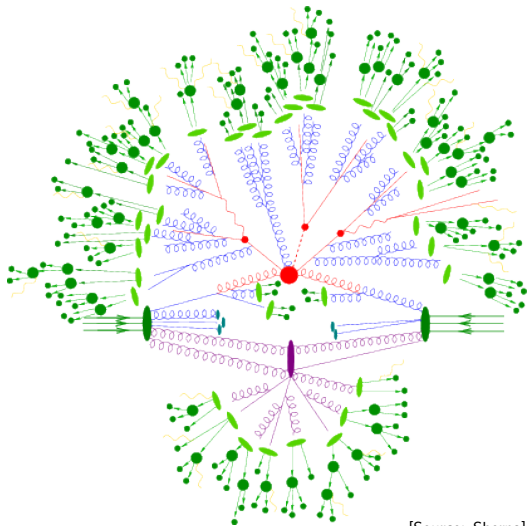


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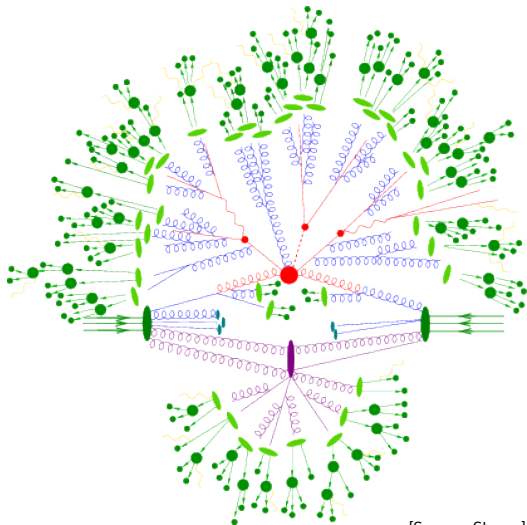


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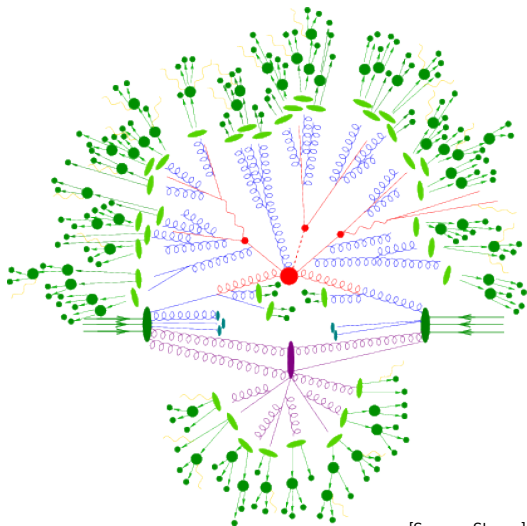
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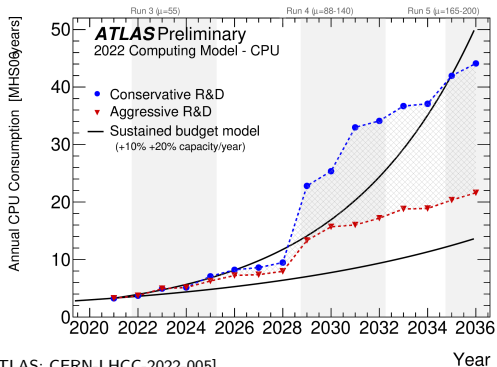
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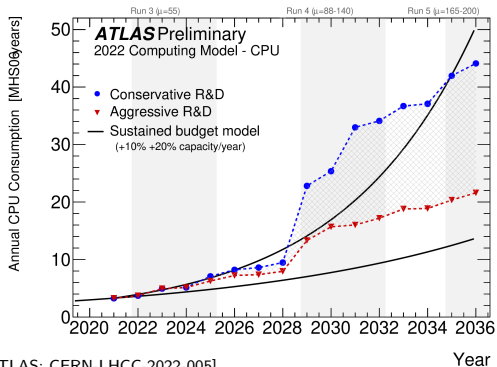
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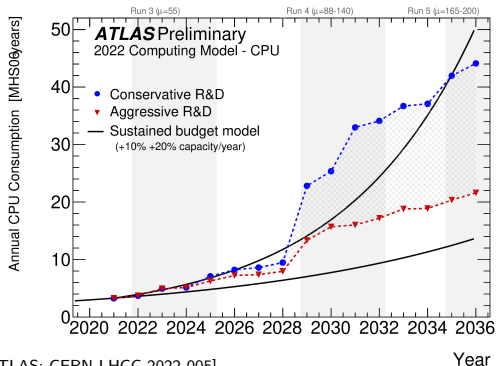
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- Can quantum computing be of any use in HEP?
 - to compute things faster/more efficiently?
 - to compute new things?

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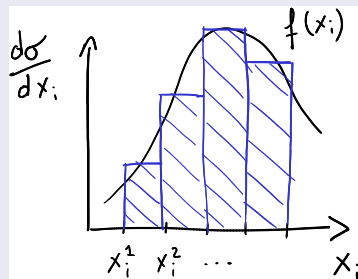
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- For a given observable $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$:

$$\sigma = \sum_i \frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{O}^i} = \sum_{i,l} c_{il} \frac{d\sigma}{dx_l^i}$$

- **Integrating = guessing the values of a function at specific points (Riemann sum)**



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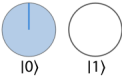
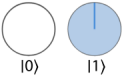
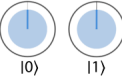

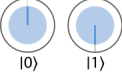
Operation

$$\psi \xrightarrow{A} \psi'$$

$$A |\psi\rangle = |\psi'\rangle \text{ with } A \text{ unitary}$$

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Example of gates

Pauli-X (X)

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle \rightarrow \alpha |1\rangle + \beta |0\rangle$$



Hadamard (H)

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle \rightarrow \alpha \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + \beta \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

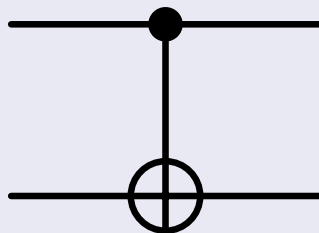


Controlled not (CNOT, CX)

$$CX = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle$; $|01\rangle \rightarrow |01\rangle$;
 $|10\rangle \rightarrow |11\rangle$; $|11\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle$.

- If 0 nothing happens, if 1 CX!
- *Control* qubit (top) and *target* qubit (bottom)

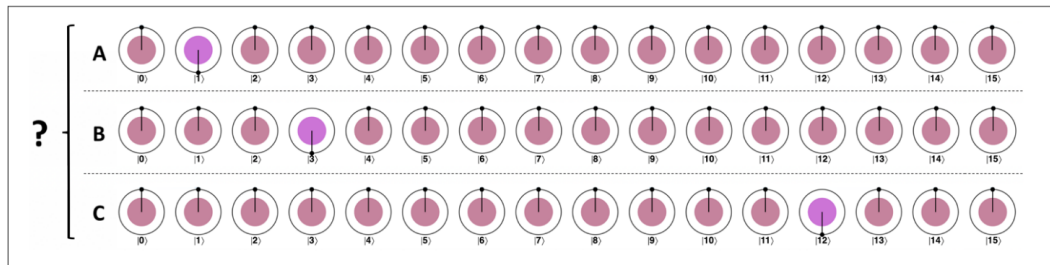


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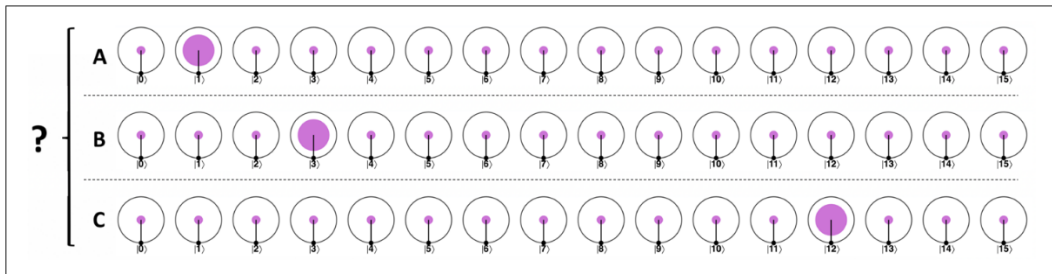
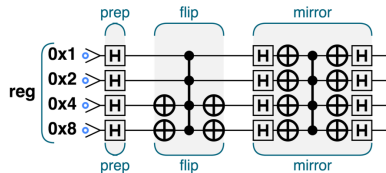
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\rightarrow What solution is contained in our quantum register?

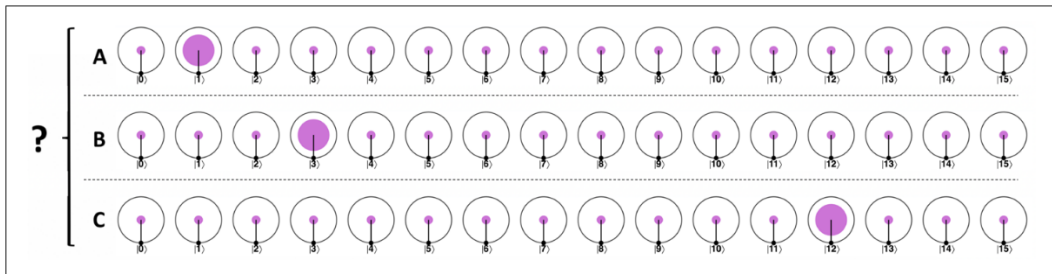
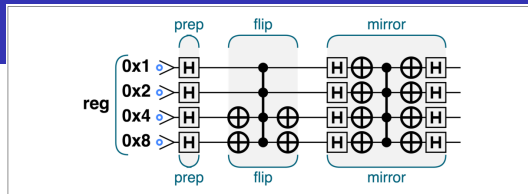
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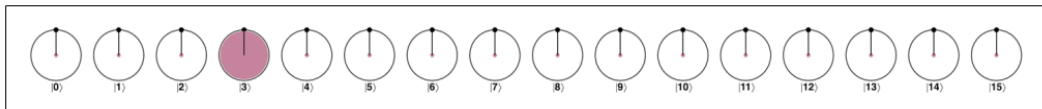


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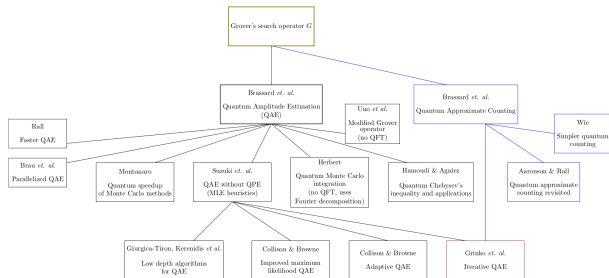


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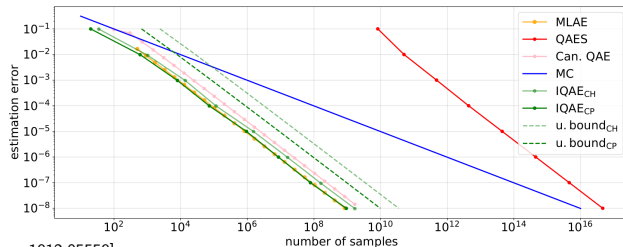
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- Basis of quantum Monte Carlo integration and $\mathcal{O}(1/M)$ scaling



[Grinko, Gacon, Zoufal, Woerner; 1912.05559]

Resulting estimation error for $a = 1/2$ and 95% confidence level with respect to the required total number of oracle queries.

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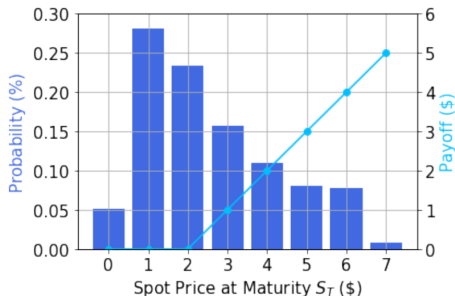
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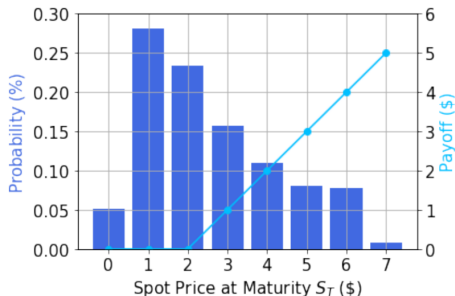
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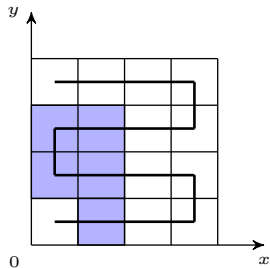
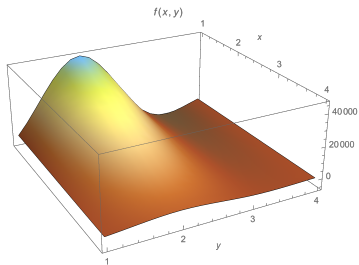
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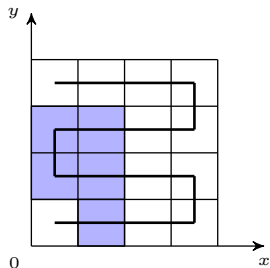
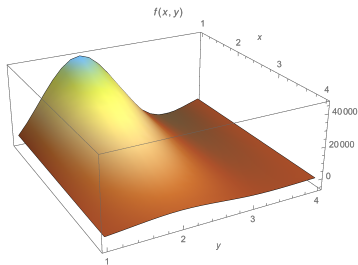
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- In finance:
 - f : probability
 - g : payoff
- In HEP:
 - f : $|\mathcal{M}|^2$
 - g : $\Theta(\phi - \phi_c)$

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Qubits number	Grid dim.	\mathcal{S}_1		\mathcal{S}_2	
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5	5×5	0.52	-4.92	0.53	-26.6
6	6×6	0.47	-14.1	0.79	9
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6	8×8	0.55	0	0.78	7.6

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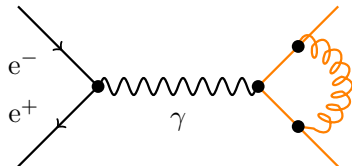
\mathcal{S}_2 : no matching boundary of integration

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Working but control of uncertainty crucial!

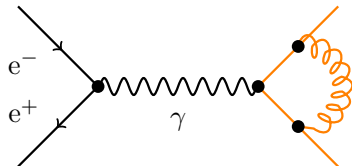
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Remarks

- First step towards a full quantum amplitude/Monte Carlo
- Useful for a quantum parton shower

- $[T^a, T^b] = if_{abc} T^c$.
- T^a, T^c, \dots : SU(3) generators
- Gell-Mann matrices

$$T^1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T^2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T^3 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T^4 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$
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Attention! T^a are not unitary!

→ In our example, colour factor: $T_{ij}^a T_{ji}^a = C_F$

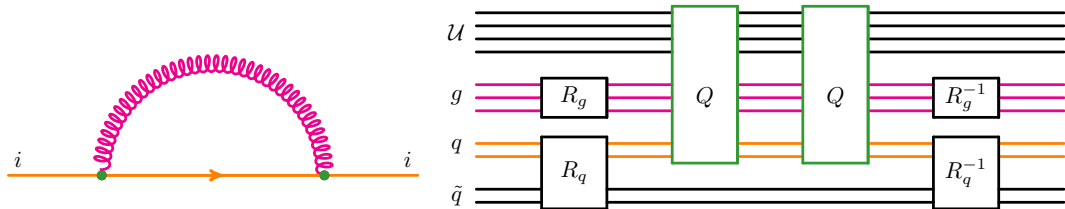
Quantum implementation of colour

- Gluon: 8 colours \rightarrow 3 qubits (2^3)
- Quark: 3 colours \rightarrow 2 qubits (2^2)

\rightarrow Make non-unitary matrices unitary: extend dimension and modify them

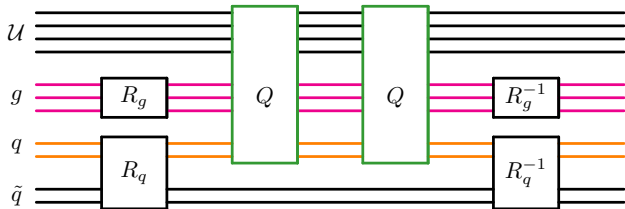
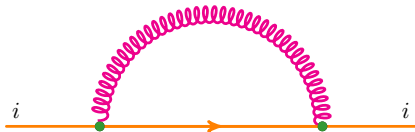
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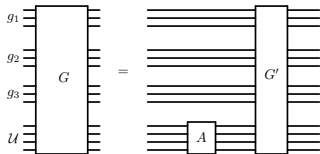


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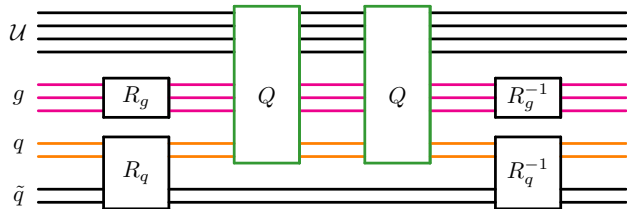
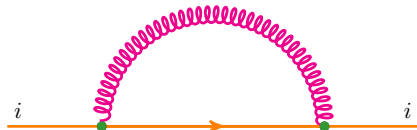
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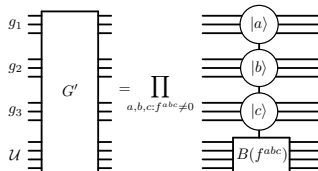
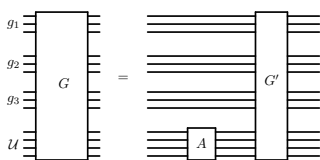
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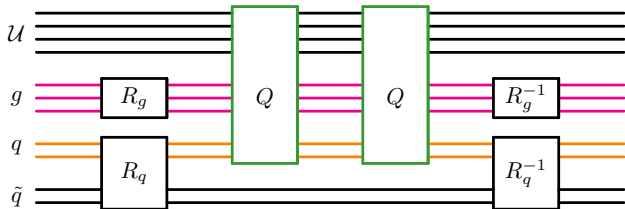
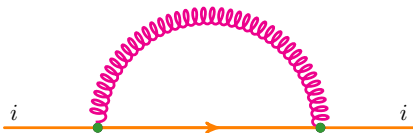
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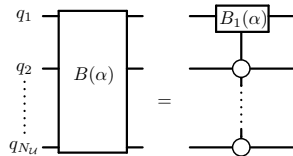
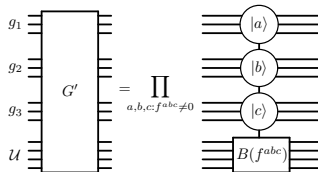
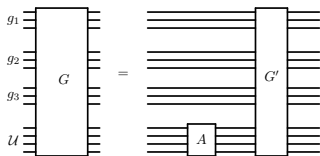
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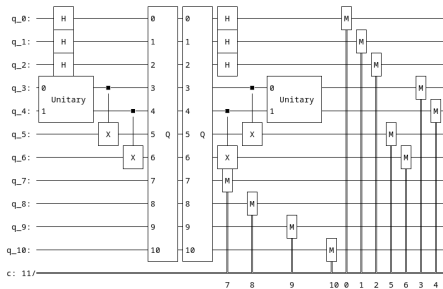
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(real-life) Example



Total counts are: {'00000010101': 226, '00010010011': 342, '00000010110': 225, '00000001101': 696, '00010010010': 362, '00000010001': 872, '00010001101': 2006, '00000001100': 643, '00010001100': 2006, '00010000110': 1051, '00000001111': 638, '000000010010': 904, '00010000010': 1057, '001000010101': 52353, '000100010100': 3342, '00100000101': 6942, '00010000111': 1046, '000000010111': 210, '00100001101': 36223, '00100010111': 51877, '00000001110': 643, '000100010000': 4838, '000000010100': 5421, '00010000100': 1035, '00100000000': 107280, '00010000011': 1075, '00100000111': 6795, '00100001011': 145043, '00100010010': 10275, '00010000000': 65548, '00000000000': 27415, '00010001111': 2031, '00100000110': 7004, '00000001011': 2551, '00100001111': 36471, '00010010111': 8966, '00010000101': 1077, '00100010110': 52220, '00010010110': 9080, '001000010100': 185056, '00100001100': 36173, '00010010101': 8960, '001000010000': 14129, '00100001110': 36925, '00100000100': 6058, '00100010011': 10182, '00100000001': 6950, '00010001110': 2018, '00100000111': 6983, '00000010011': 815, '00010001011': 7957, '00010010001': 340, '00100010001': 10163, '00010000001': 1092, '00100000010': 7010}

→ Trace defined in $|00000000000\rangle = |0_{11}\rangle$
 state: $|\psi\rangle = \frac{c}{\mathcal{N}}|0_{11}\rangle + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{27415}{N_{\text{shots}}=1000000} \sim$$

$$\left(\frac{c}{\mathcal{N}} = \frac{(N_c=3)C_F}{N_c^{n_q=1}(N_c^2-1)^{n_g=1}} \right)^2$$

→ Colour factors encoded in one single state (as needed for QAE)

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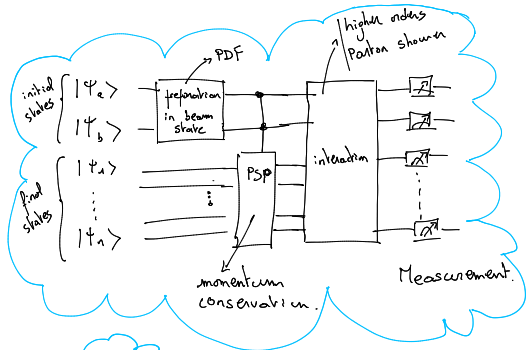
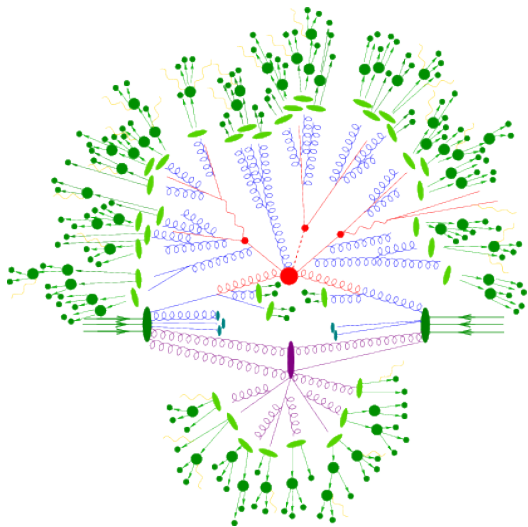


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Thank you -

BACK-UP

Reviews

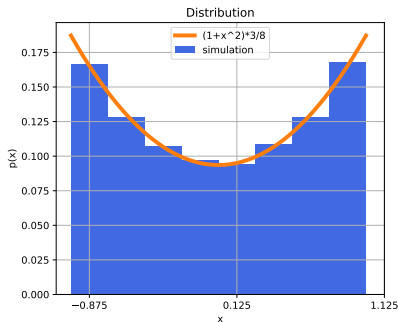
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Encoding the distribution to be integrated into qubits

- Exact loading [Shende, Bullock, Markov, quant-ph/0406176] (resource intensive)
- Using quantum machine learning (qGAN) [Zoufal, Lucchi, Woerner; 1904.00043] (not exact)
- Example: Exact loading $\sigma - 1 + x^2$



→ 3 qubits: $2^3 = 8$ bins

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→ What the (original) algorithm provides:

- An estimate: $\tilde{a} = \sin^2(\tilde{\theta}_a)$
with $\tilde{\theta}_a = y\pi/M$, $y \in \{0, \dots, M-1\}$, and $M = 2^n$
- A success probability (that can be increased by repeating the algorithm)
- A bound: $|a - \tilde{a}| \leq \mathcal{O}(1/M)$

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (in QED)

$$\sigma \sim \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{2\pi} d\cos\theta d\phi (1 + \cos^2\theta)$$

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}'W$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &\sim \int_{M_W^2}^s \int_0^{s_1^{\text{Max}}} \int_{-1}^1 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{M}_{e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}'W}|^2 \\ &\sim \int_{M_W^2}^s \int_0^{s_1^{\text{Max}}} d\tilde{\Phi}_3 |\mathcal{M}'|^2\end{aligned}$$

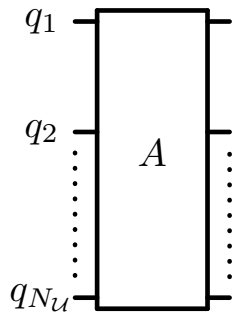
with $\mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{M}_{e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}'W}(\cos\theta_1 = 0, \phi_1 = \pi/2, \phi_2 = \pi/2)$.

- Matching boundary of integration (3 qubits $\Rightarrow 2^3$ bins)

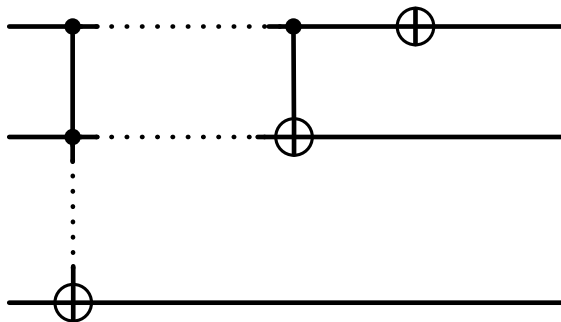
Domain	low stat.		high stat.		very high stat.		exact	
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$[-0.75; 0]$	0.345	-3.31	0.332	0.706	0.334	0.0331	0.334	-8.31×10^{-3}
$[-0.5; 0]$	0.215	-5.86	0.201	1.15	0.203	0.0986	0.203	-0.0161
$[-0.25; 0]$	0.112	-17.1	0.0939	1.87	0.0960	-0.284	0.0957	-0.0389

- Non-matching boundary of integration

Qubits number	$[-0.7; 0.6]$				$[-0.625; 0.375]$			
	high stat.		exact		high stat.		exact	
	σ	δ [%]	σ	δ [%]	σ	δ [%]	σ	δ [%]
3	0.402	-28.0	0.406	-27.1	0.296	-28.1	0.299	-27.5
4	0.463	-17.0	0.468	-16.0	0.408	-1.07	0.412	5.96×10^{-3}
5	0.527	-5.46	0.532	-4.62	0.408	-1.07	0.412	5.96×10^{-3}
6	0.542	-2.76	0.547	-1.81	0.408	-1.07	0.412	5.96×10^{-3}



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$$B_1(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - |\alpha|^2} & \alpha \\ -\alpha & \sqrt{1 - |\alpha|^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$B(\alpha)A|k\rangle = \begin{cases} \alpha|0\rangle + \sqrt{1 - |\alpha|^2}|1\rangle & \text{if } k = 0 \\ |k + 1\rangle & \text{if } 0 < k < 2^{N_U} - 1 \\ \sqrt{1 - |\alpha|^2}|0\rangle - \alpha|1\rangle & \text{if } k = 2^{N_U} - 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$\langle \Omega|_U B(\alpha)A|\Omega\rangle_U = \alpha \quad (3)$$

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