

Quantum computing for high-energy physics simulations

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Outline:

→ Introduction:

Why quantum computing and high-energy physics?

- Basics of high-energy physics

- How to compute a cross section

- Basics of quantum computing

- How to build a quantum circuit

- Applications

- Quantum integration [**Agliardi, Grossi, MP, Prati; 2201.01547**]

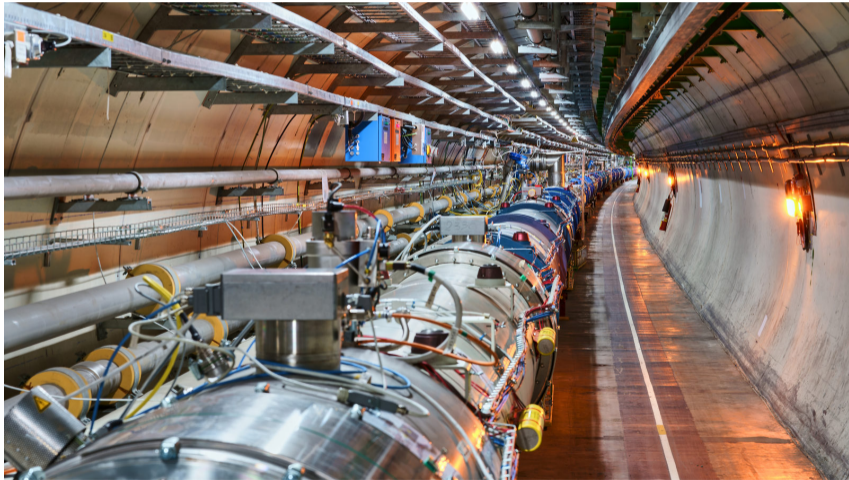
- Colour amplitudes [**Chawdhry, MP; 2303.04818**]



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LHC @ CERN, Geneva (Switzerland)

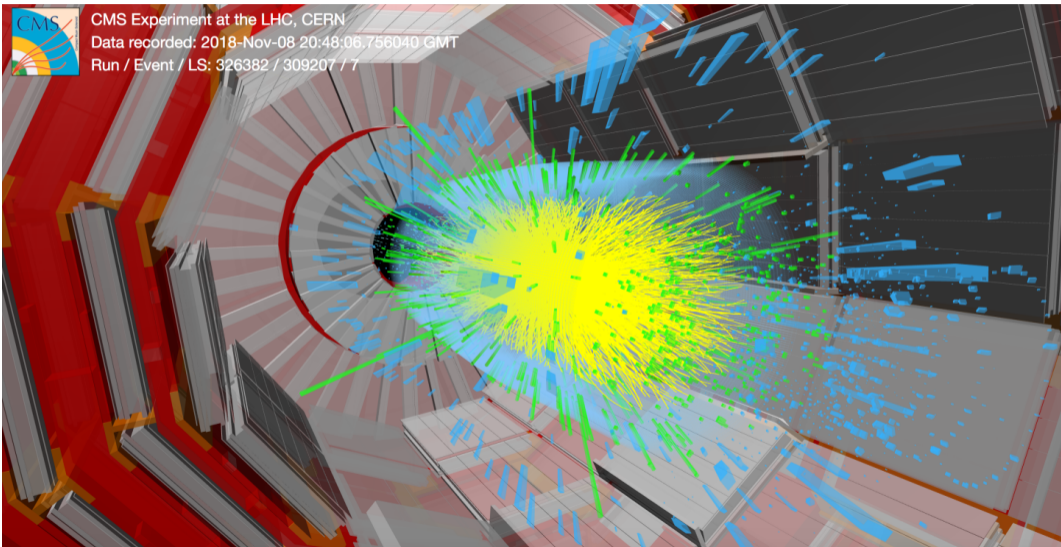
- 27km-long tunnel where protons are collided at high-energy (13.6 TeV currently)
- Allow to probe fundamental interactions



- Last discovery in high-energy physics (2012 @ LHC, CERN):
the Higgs boson!

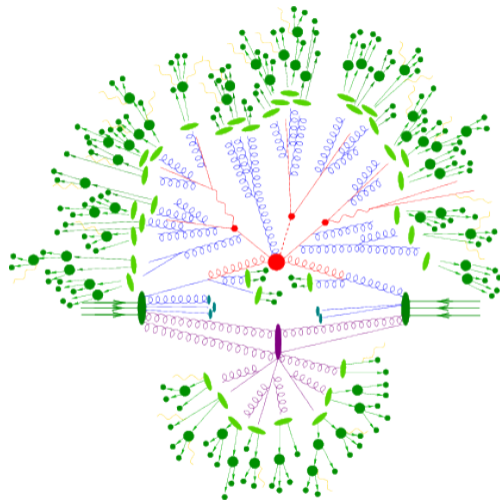


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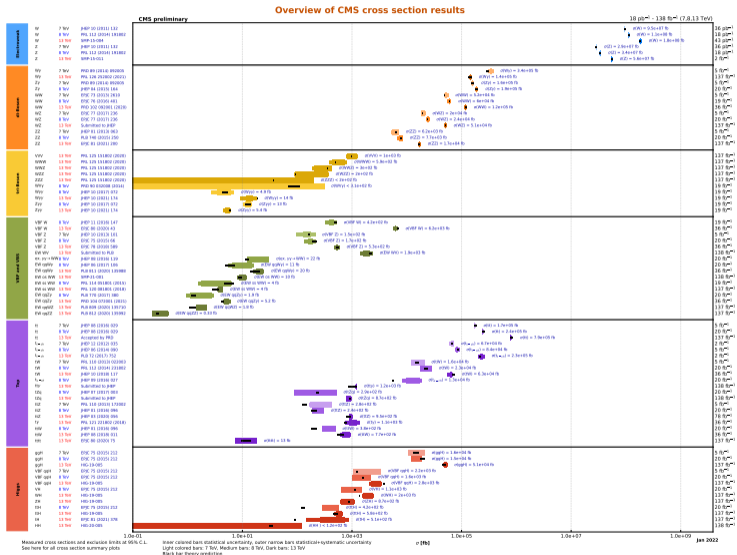
Life at the LHC (on the theory side)

- Factorisation of mechanisms at:
 - high-energy (perturbative)
 - Hard-scattering, parton-shower
 - low-energy (non-perturbative)
 - parton-distribution function, hadronisation, underlying events, multiple-parton interactions, ...
- All aspects relevant when comparing theory predictions against experimental measurements!
- Monte Carlo method/integration!



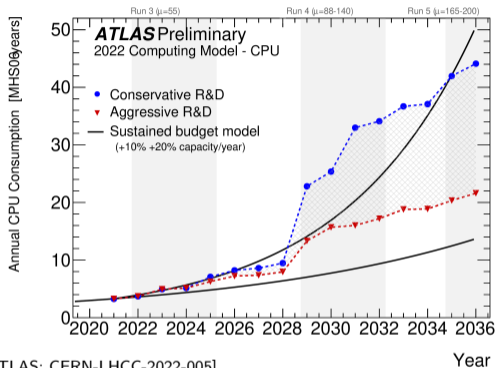
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- LHC = machine to measure cross sections ...



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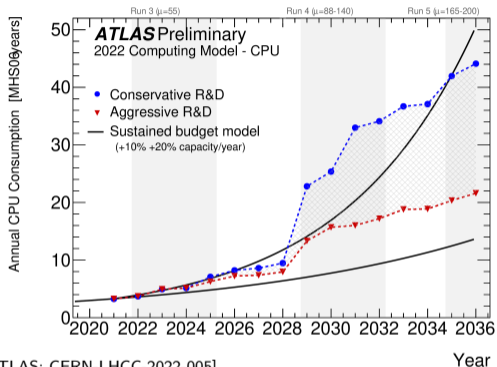
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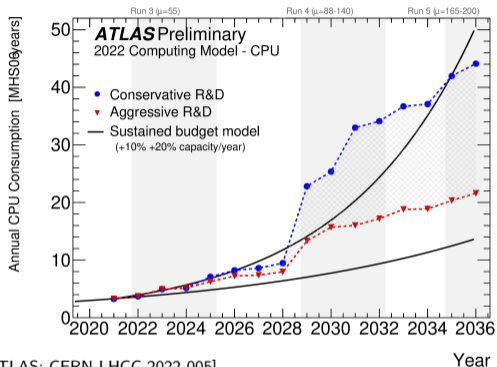
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- Can quantum computing be of any use in HEP?
 - to compute things faster/more efficiently?
 - to compute new things?

Reviews

- [Gray, Terashi; Gray:2022fou] (selected topics)
- [Delgado et al.; 2203.08805] (Snowmass)
- [Klco et al.; 2107.04769] (lattice)

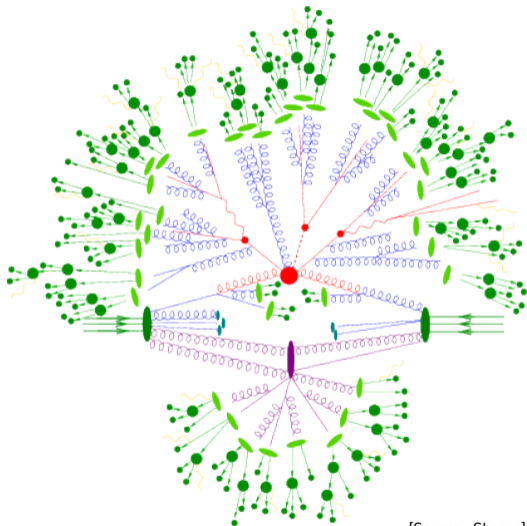
Selected references

- **Amplitude/loop integrals:** [Ramirez-Uribe et al.; 2105.08703], [Bepari, Malik, Spannowsky, Williams; 2010.00046], [Chawdhry, MP; 2303.04818]
- **Parton shower:** [Bauer, de Jong, Nachman, Provasoli; 1904.03196], [Bepari, Malik, Spannowsky, Williams; 2010.00046], [Williams, Malik, Spannowsky, Bepari; 2109.13975], [Chigusa, Yamazaki; 2204.12500], [Gustafson, Prestel, Spannowsky, Williams; 2207.10694], [Bauer, Chigusa, Yamazaki; 2310.19881]
- **Machine learning:** [Filipek et al; 2105.04582], [Bravo-Prieto et al; 2110.06933], [Alvi, Bauer, Nachman; 2206.08391] ...
- **Others:** [Ciavarella; 2007.04447], [Perez-Salinas, Cruz-Martinez, Alhajri, Carrazza; 2011.13934], [Bauer, Freytsis, Nachman; 2102.05044], [Martenez de Lejarza, Cieri, Rodrigo; 2204.06496], [Agliardi, Grossi, MP, Prati; 2201.01547], [Martenez de Lejarza et al.; 2401.03023], [Cruz-Martinez, Robbiati, Carrazza; 2308.05657]

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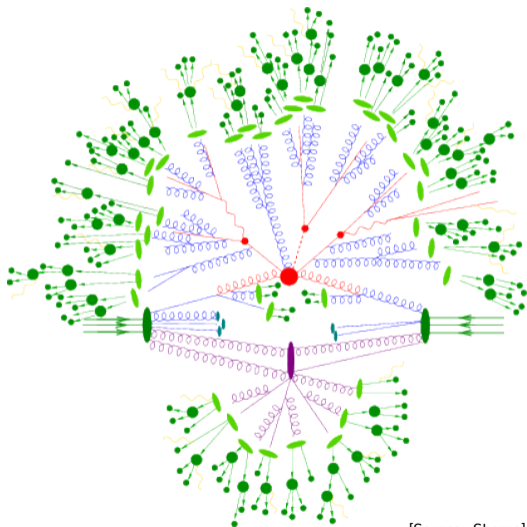


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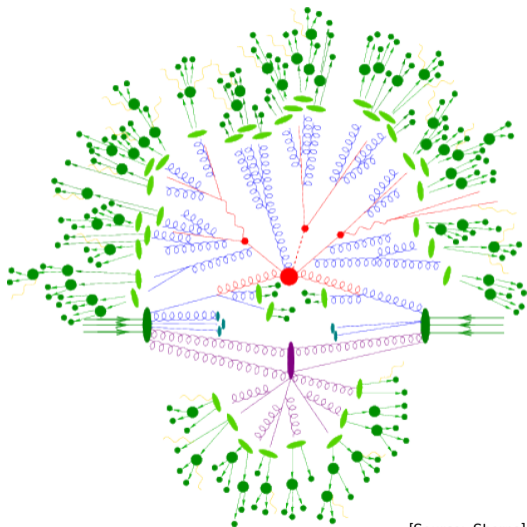
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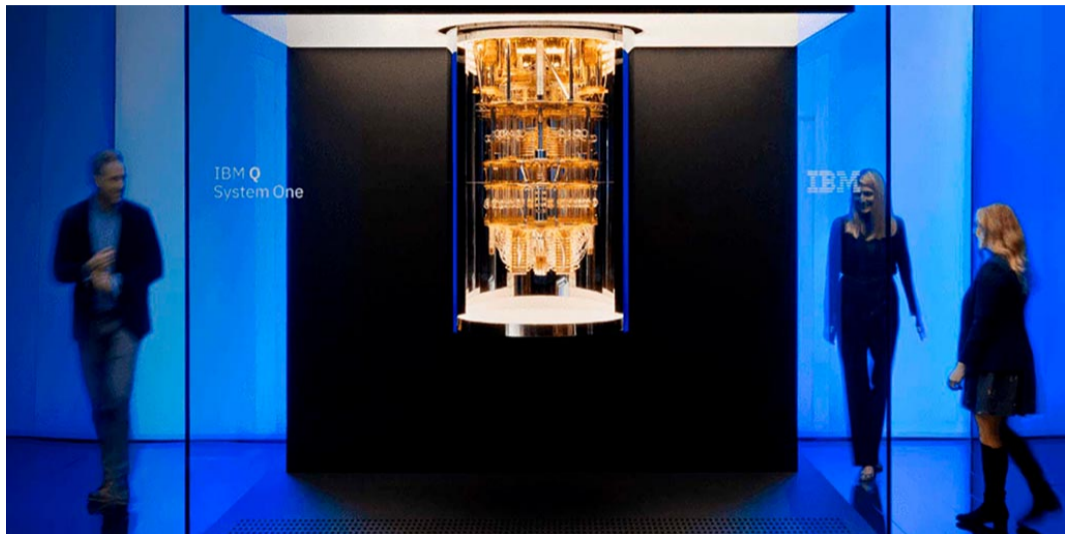
- Is it more resource efficient than CPU/GPU?

→ Look at the example of quantum simulation/integration in high-energy physics!



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Quantum computers



[IBM]



[Landscape with the worship of the Golden calf, Claude Lorrain, Staatliche Kunsthalle, Karlsruhe (Germany)]

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 - How to compute a cross section

Cross section (definition)

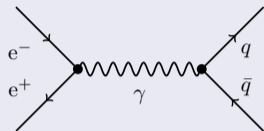
- Probability to measure a scattering process
- Predictable theoretically and measurable experimentally!

$$\sigma \propto \int d\Phi |\mathcal{M}|^2$$

- $d\Phi$: phase-space, depends on final-state particles
 - encodes kinematics
- $|\mathcal{M}|^2$: matrix element of the scattering process
 - encodes underlying theory and depends on kinematics

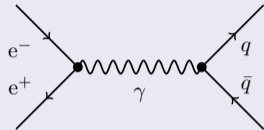
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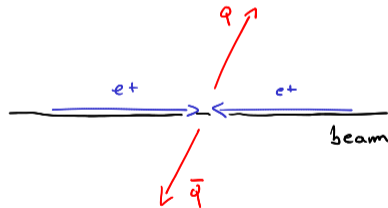
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- $d\Phi \propto d\phi d\cos\theta$

- $|\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto 1 + \cos^2\theta$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\text{incl}} \propto \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{-1}^{+1} d\cos\theta (1 + \cos^2\theta)$$



→ No dependence on ϕ
(symmetry around z axis)

→ inclusive cross section
(integration over whole phase space)

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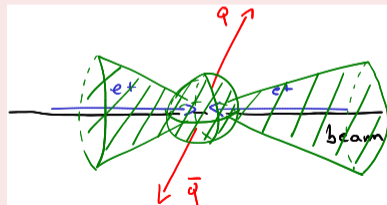
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⇒ Solution: Monte Carlo integration!

$$\rightarrow \phi = 2\pi \cdot x_1, \quad \cos \theta = 2 \cdot x_2 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \propto 2\pi \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 (1 + (2x_2 - 1)^2) \Theta(g(x_1, x_2))$$

- $\Theta(g(x_1, x_2))$ encodes experimental selection
- Error scaling as $1/\sqrt{N_{\text{points}}}$



→ In general:

$$\sigma \propto \int_0^1 dx_1 \cdots \int_0^1 dx_n f(x_1, \cdots, x_n) \Theta(g(x_1, \cdots, x_n))$$

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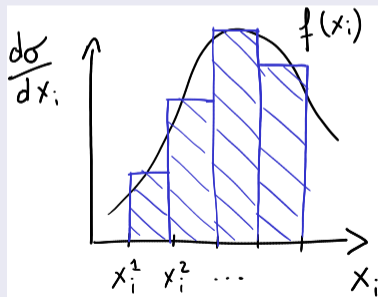
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- For a given observable $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$:

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

- **Integrating = guessing the values of a function at specific points (Riemann sum)**
- More complex calculations ...
 - ... more integration variables ...
 - ... more computing resources!



- Basics of quantum computing
 - How to build a quantum circuit

Literature:

- *Quantum Computation and Quantum Information*, Nielsen and Chuang
- *Programming Quantum Computers*, Johnston, Harrigan, and Gimeno-Segovia

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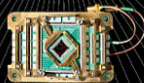
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TIME

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MOST COMPLEX PROBLEMS. IT'S BACKED
BY JEFF BEZOS, NASA AND THE CIA.
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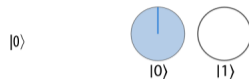
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→ Representation

Possible values of a qubit Graphical representation



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→ In quantum mechanics (and in quantum computing), any operation A is unitary

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

$$A |\psi\rangle = |\psi'\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad A^*A = AA^* = \text{Id}$$



Example of gates (I)

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Hadamard (H)

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

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



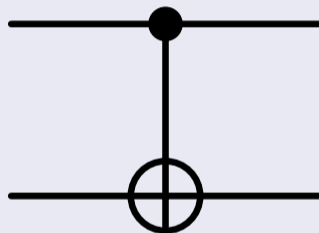
Example of gates (II)

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 \rightarrow nothing happens; If 1 \rightarrow Pauli-X (X)!
- *Control* qubit (top) and *target* qubit (bottom)

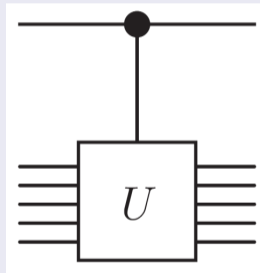


Example of gates (III)

Generalised controlled gate (CU)

$$CU = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Id}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & U \end{bmatrix}$$

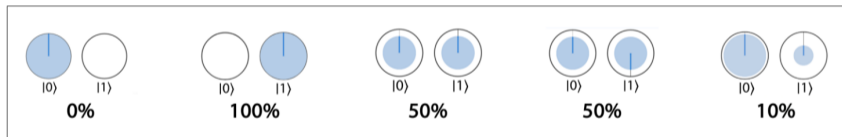
→ One *control* qubit and ...
... many *target* qubits



Measurement process

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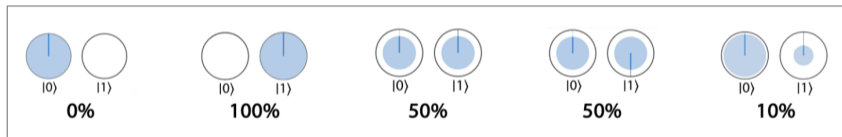


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→ α and β encode information that can be measured/computed!

- Applications

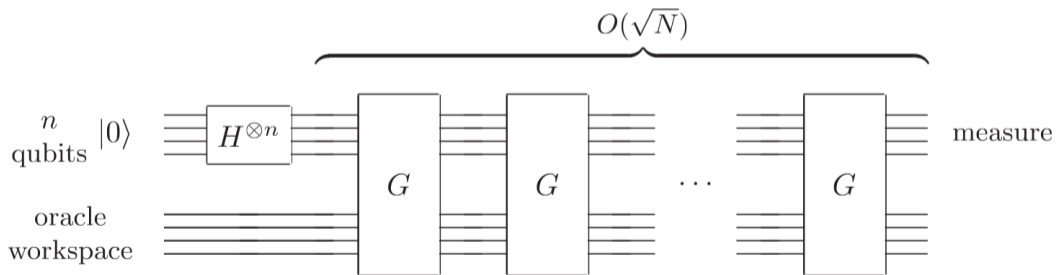
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- [Agliardi, Grossi, MP, Prati; 2201.01547]

- Colour amplitudes

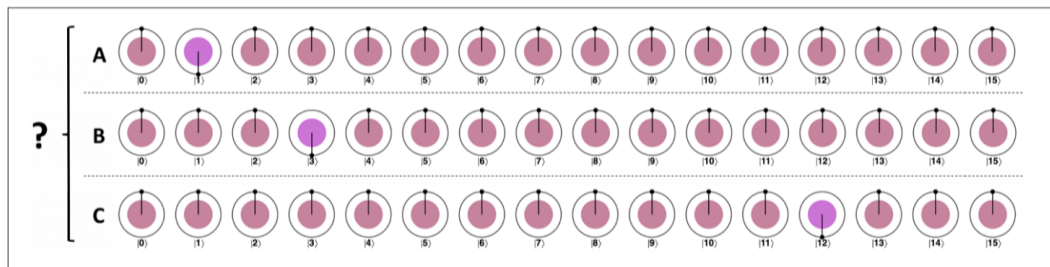
Grover algorithm/iteration

- Very general quantum algorithm
- Quadratic speed up
→ $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{N})$ operations instead of $\mathcal{O}(N)$
- Most famous example: unstructured database search



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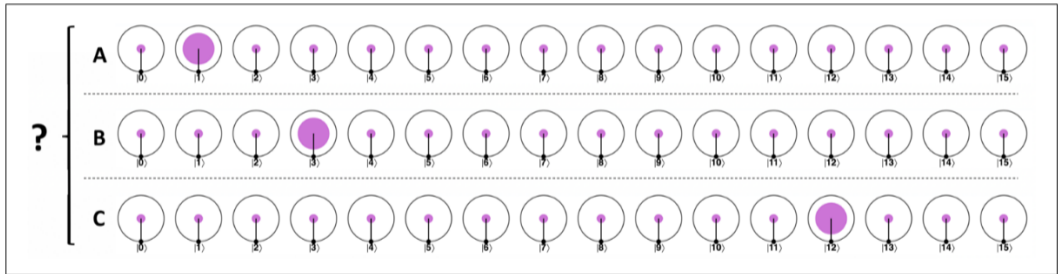
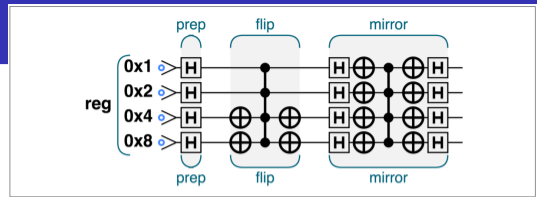
- Example (from [Johnston, Harrigan, Gimeno-Segovia; Programming Quantum Computers])



→ What solution is contained in our quantum register?

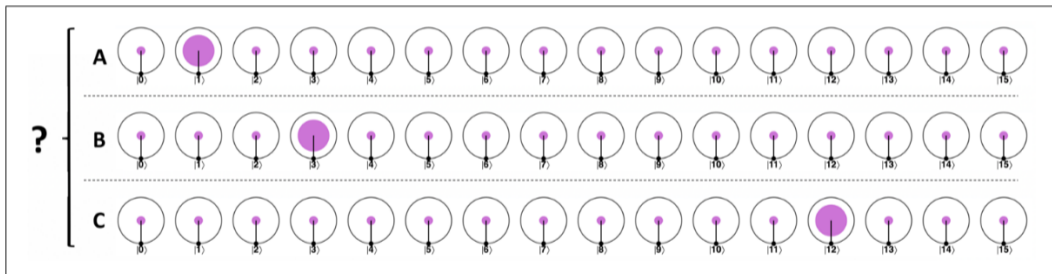
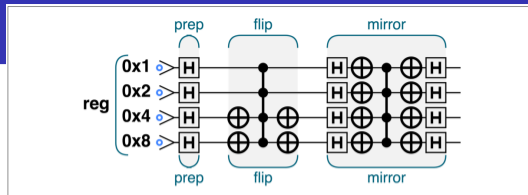
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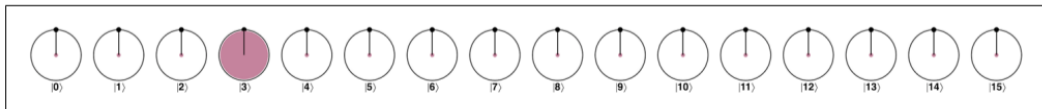


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→ Applying it twice (e.g. solution B)



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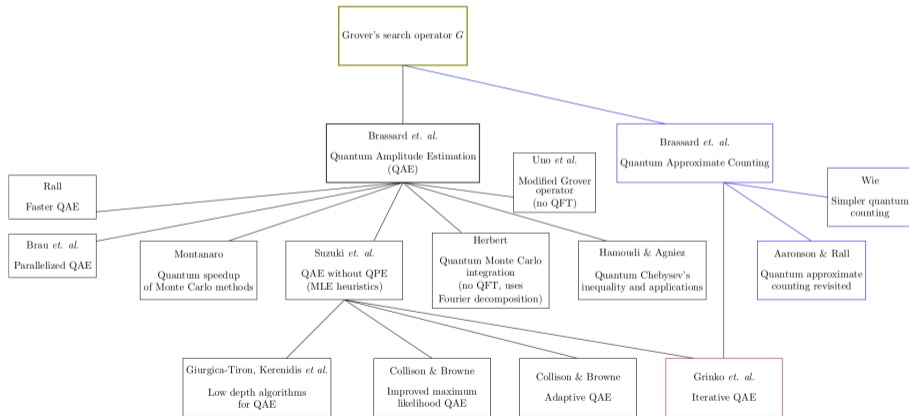
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→ What the (original) algorithm provides:

- 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: $|a - \tilde{a}| \leq \mathcal{O}(1/M)$

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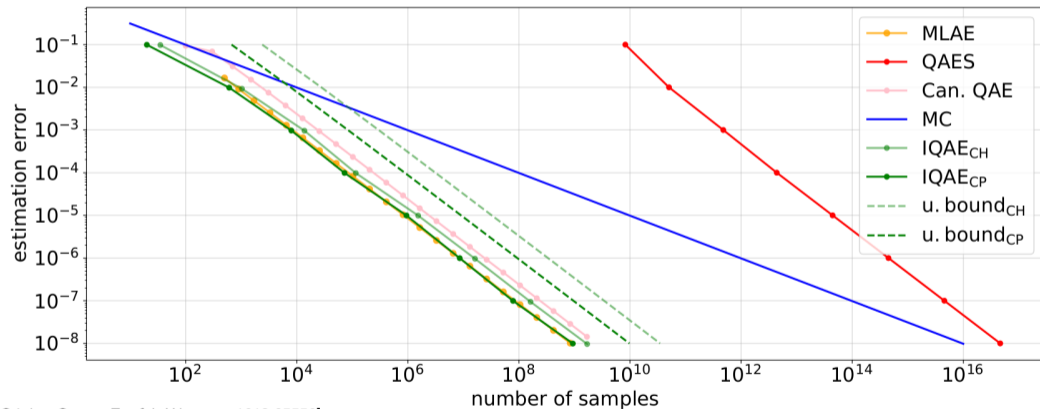
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[Intallura et al.; 2303.04945]

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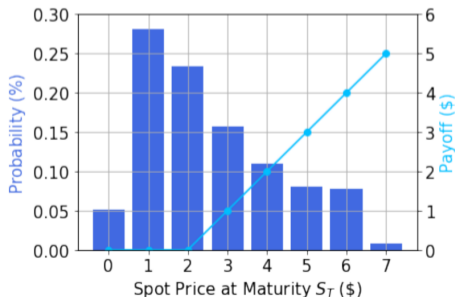
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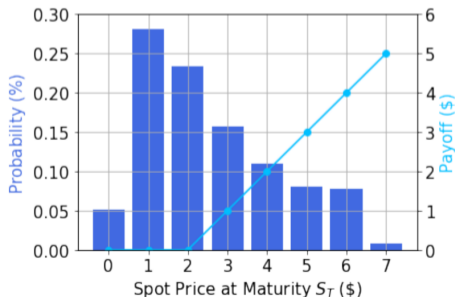
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- In finance:
 - f : probability
 - g : payoff
- In HEP:
 - f : $|\mathcal{M}|^2$
 - g : $\Theta(\phi - \phi_c)$

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (in QED) \rightarrow 1D problem

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

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}'W$ \rightarrow 2D problem

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

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

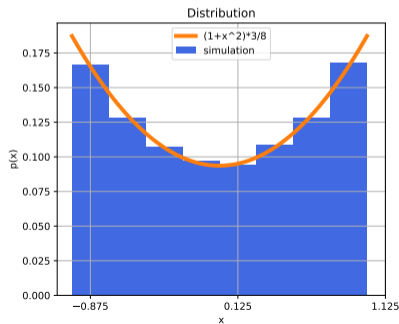
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- Example: Exact loading - $1 + x^2$



→ 3 qubits: $2^3 = 8$ bins

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$[-0.5; 0]$	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

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$[-0.5; 0]$	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

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Qubits number	$[-0.7; 0.6]$				$[-0.625; 0.375]$			
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4	0.463	-17.0	0.468	-16.0	0.408	-1.07	0.412	5.96×10^{-3}
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- [Chawdhry, MP; 2303.04818]

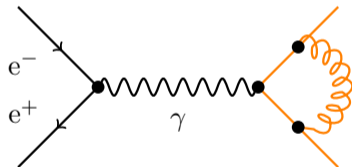
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- Gell-Mann matrices

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Attention! T^a are not unitary!

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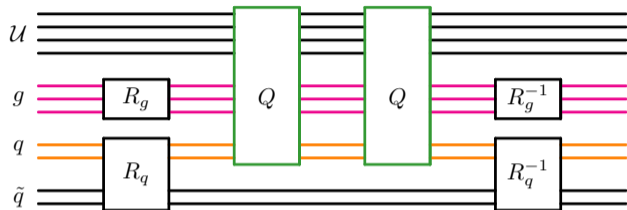
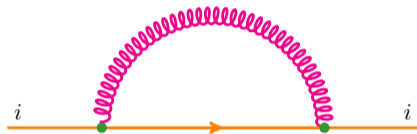
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Make non-unitary matrices unitary again!

\rightarrow extend dimension and modify them

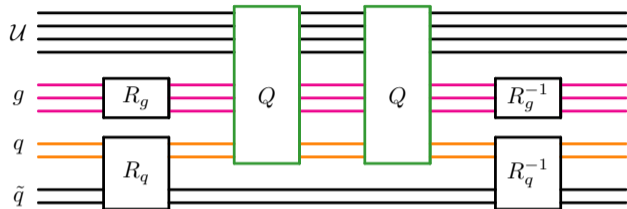
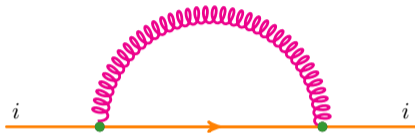
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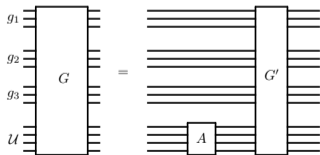


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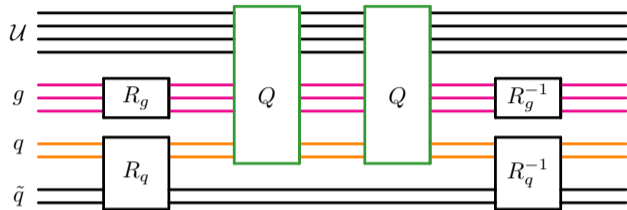
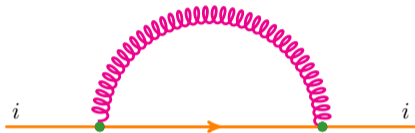
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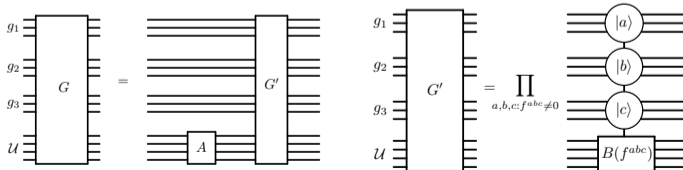
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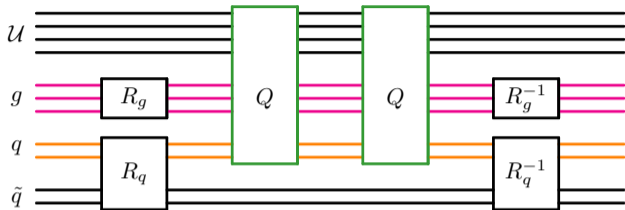
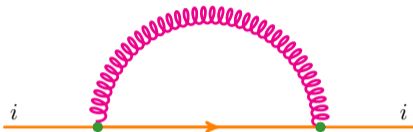
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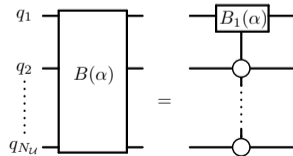
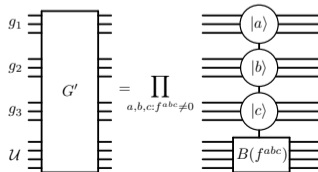
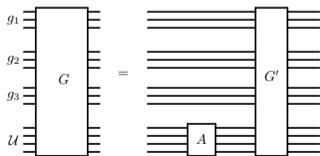
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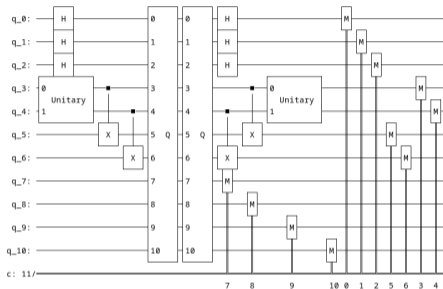
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(real-life) Example



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, '000100000111': 1046, '000000010111': 210, '00100001101': 36223, '00100010111': 51877, '00000001110': 643, '000100010000': 4838, '000000010100': 5421, '000100000100': 1035, '00100000000': 107280, '00010000011': 1075, '001000000111': 6795, '001000001011': 145043, '00100010010': 10275, '000100000000': 65548, '000000000000': 27415, '000100001111': 2031, '00100000110': 7004, '00000001011': 2551, '001000001111': 36471, '00010010111': 8966, '000100000101': 1077, '001000010110': 52220, '00010010110': 9080, '001000010100': 185056, '00100001100': 36173, '00010010101': 8960, '001000010000': 14129, '00100001110': 36925, '00100000100': 6058, '001000010011': 10182, '001000000001': 6950, '000100001110': 2018, '00100000111': 6983, '000000010011': 815, '000100010111': 7957, '00010010001': 340, '00100010001': 10163, '00010000001': 1092, '00100000010': 7010}

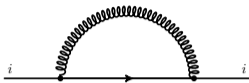
→ Trace defined in $|00000000000\rangle = |0_{11}\rangle$
 state: $|\psi\rangle = \frac{c}{N}|0_{11}\rangle + \dots$

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

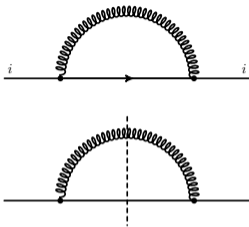
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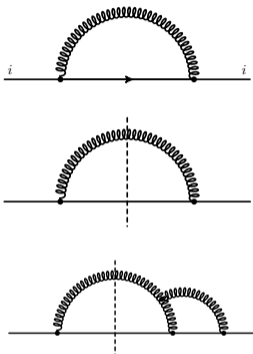
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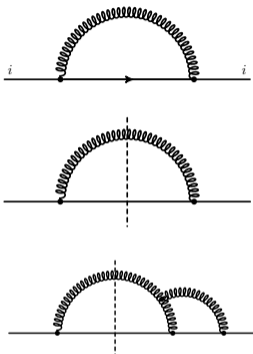
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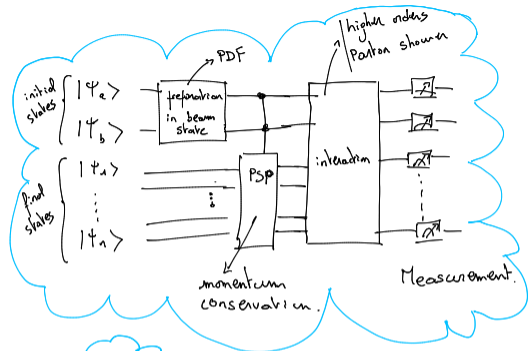
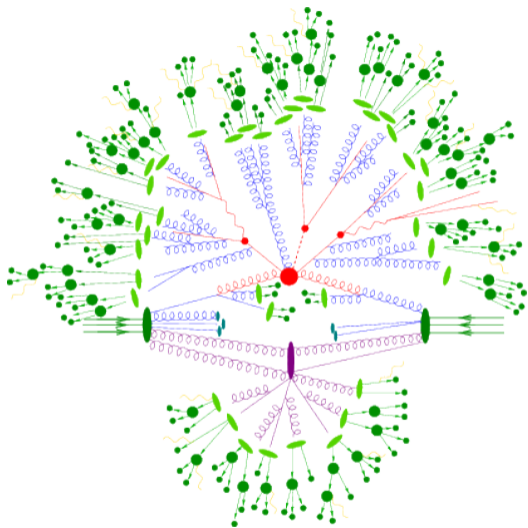
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- Is it more resource efficient than CPU/GPU?

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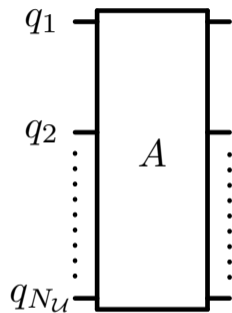


- Are we witnessing a quantum revolution?
- When can we do *useful* quantum computations in the future?

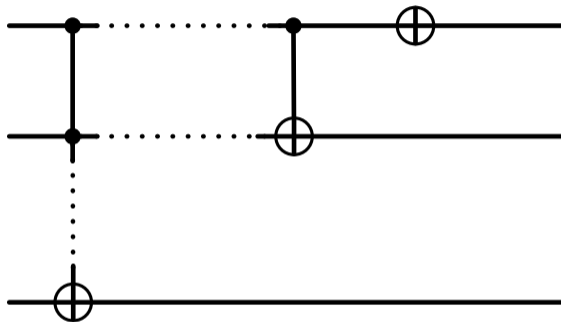


Thank you -

BACK-UP



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