

Learning Solutions to the Schrödinger equation with Neural-Network Quantum States

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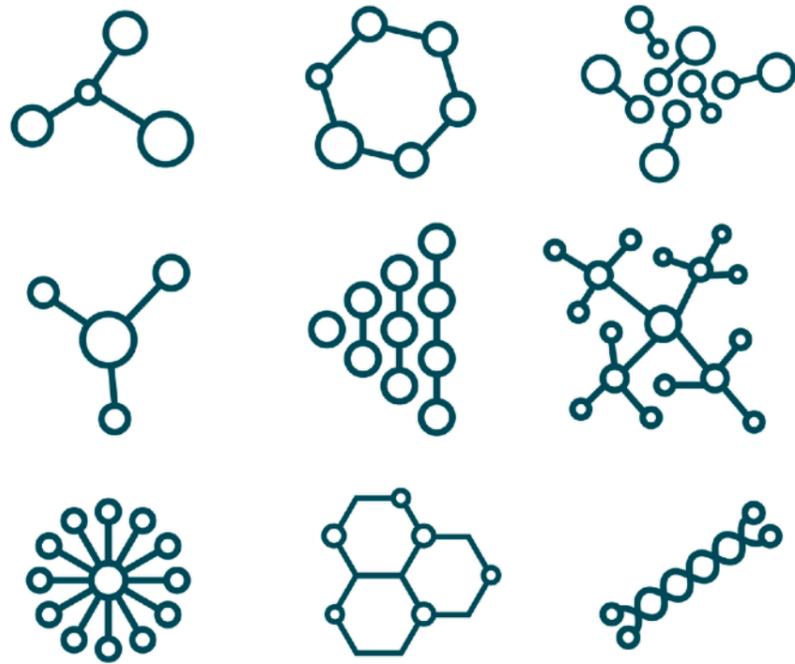
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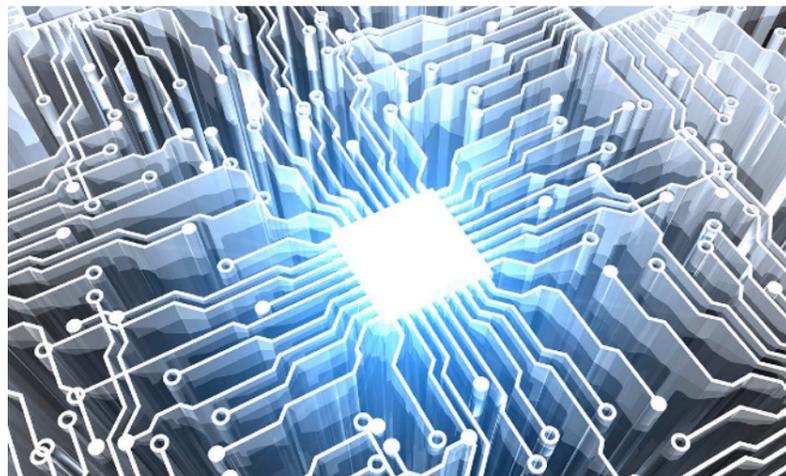
01.

The Quantum Many-Body Problem.

O1.1 - Interacting Quantum Matter



E.g.
Interacting Particles in
Chemistry, Material
Science, Atomic Physics,
Nuclear Physics...

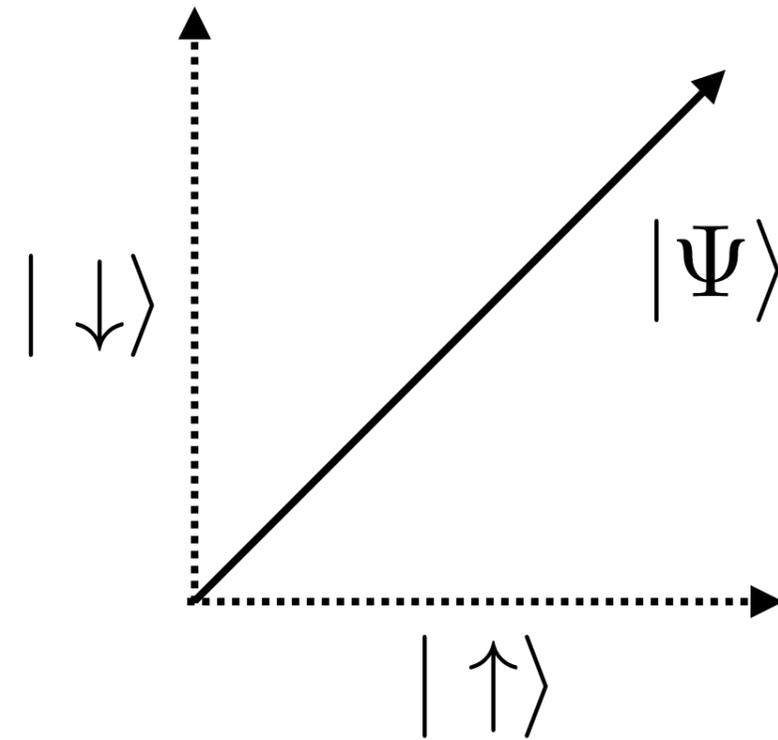


E.g.
Harnessing
Entanglement in
Quantum Computers,
Quantum Simulators...

O1.2 - Refresher: Quantum States

The state of a quantum spin is a complex-valued **vector**

$$|\Psi\rangle = c_{\uparrow}|\uparrow\rangle + c_{\downarrow}|\downarrow\rangle$$



Probability of Observing a Given State

$$P(\uparrow) = |c_{\uparrow}|^2$$

$$P(\downarrow) = |c_{\downarrow}|^2$$

A quantum spin can be found in either up or down state with a given probability

O1.3 - The Many-Body Wave Function

$$|\Psi\rangle = c_{\uparrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow}|\uparrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow\rangle + c_{\downarrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow}|\downarrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow\rangle + \dots + c_{\downarrow\downarrow\dots\downarrow}|\downarrow\downarrow\dots\downarrow\rangle$$

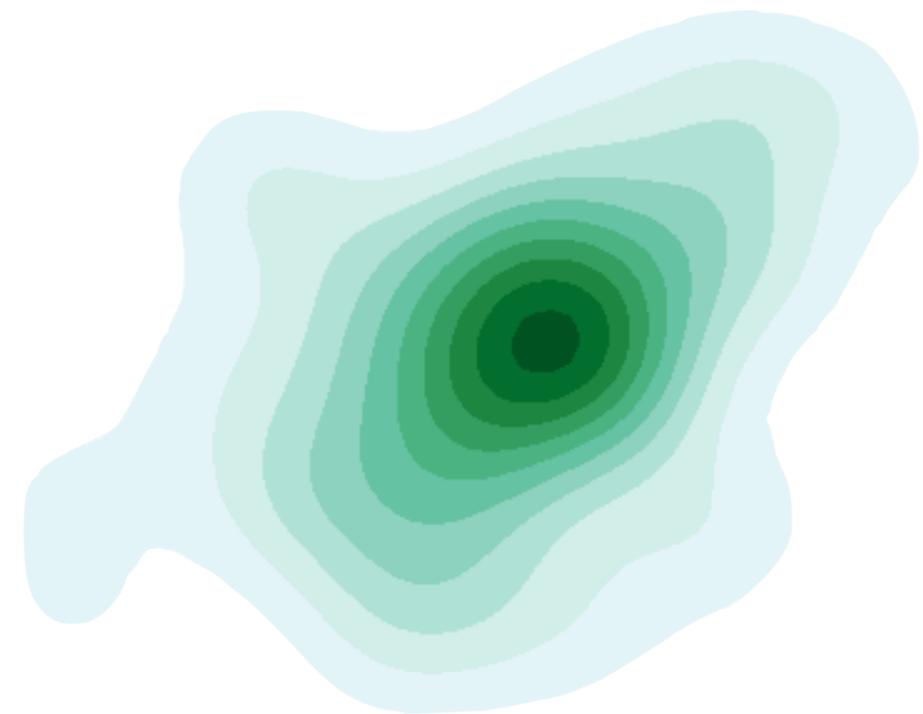

Complex-Valued Coefficients

The Wave Function is a Vector
in a Huge (2^N)
Space

The state of N
quantum particles
is a high-dimensional
“monster”

*“In general the many-electron
wave-function for a system of many
electrons is not a legitimate scientific concept”*

W. Kohn, Nobel Lecture



O1.5 - Exact Solutions Limited to Small Systems

[3000 BCE]

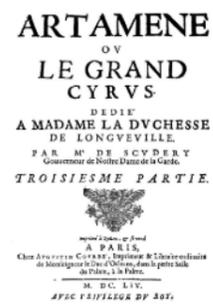
Papyrus



10 Qubits

[1455]

Book



15 Qubits

[1973]

**IBM
3340**



23 Qubits

[1993]

**IBM
3390**



35 Qubits

[2002]

**Earth
Simulator**



46 Qubits

[2019]

Summit



54 Qubits

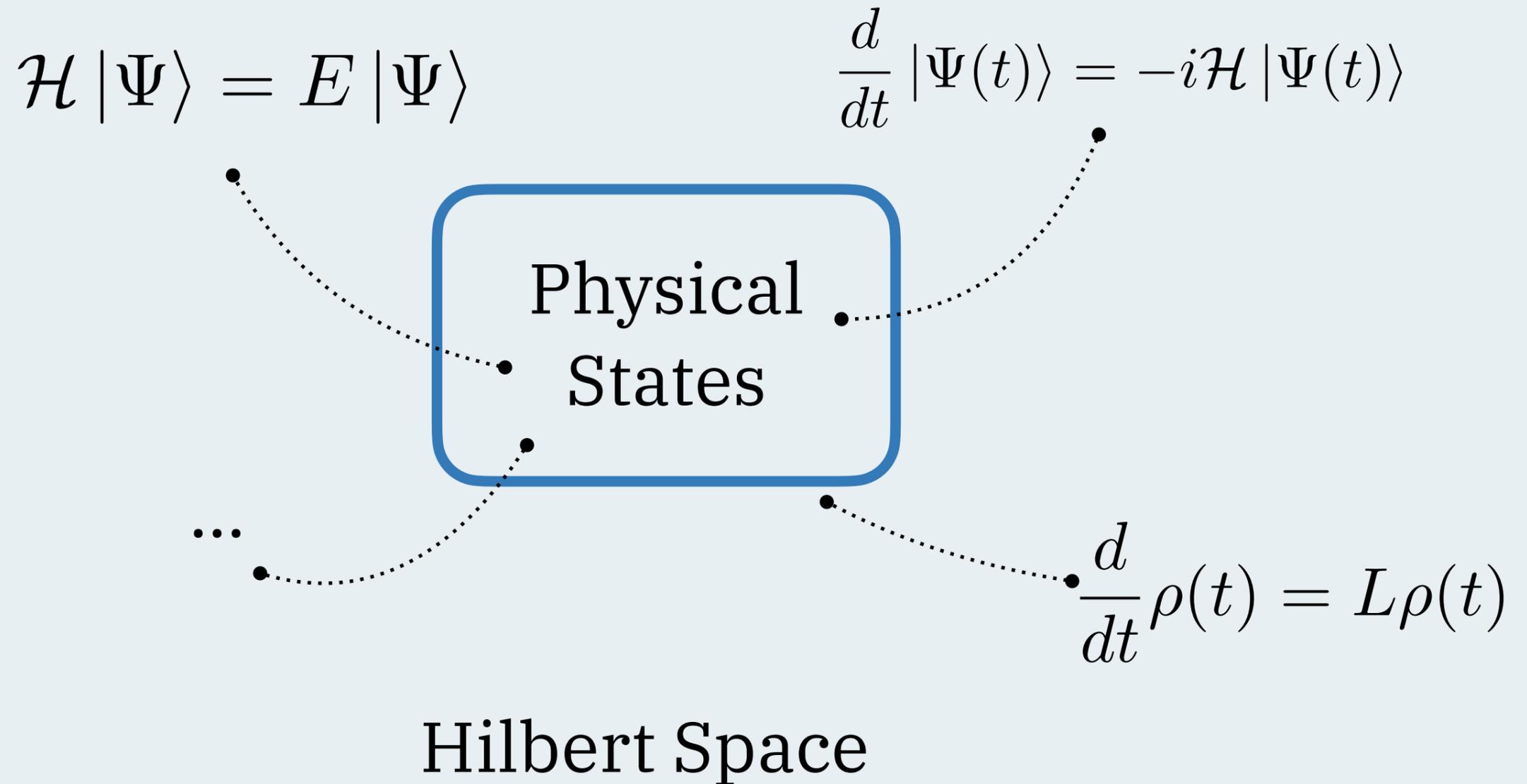
Time



O2.

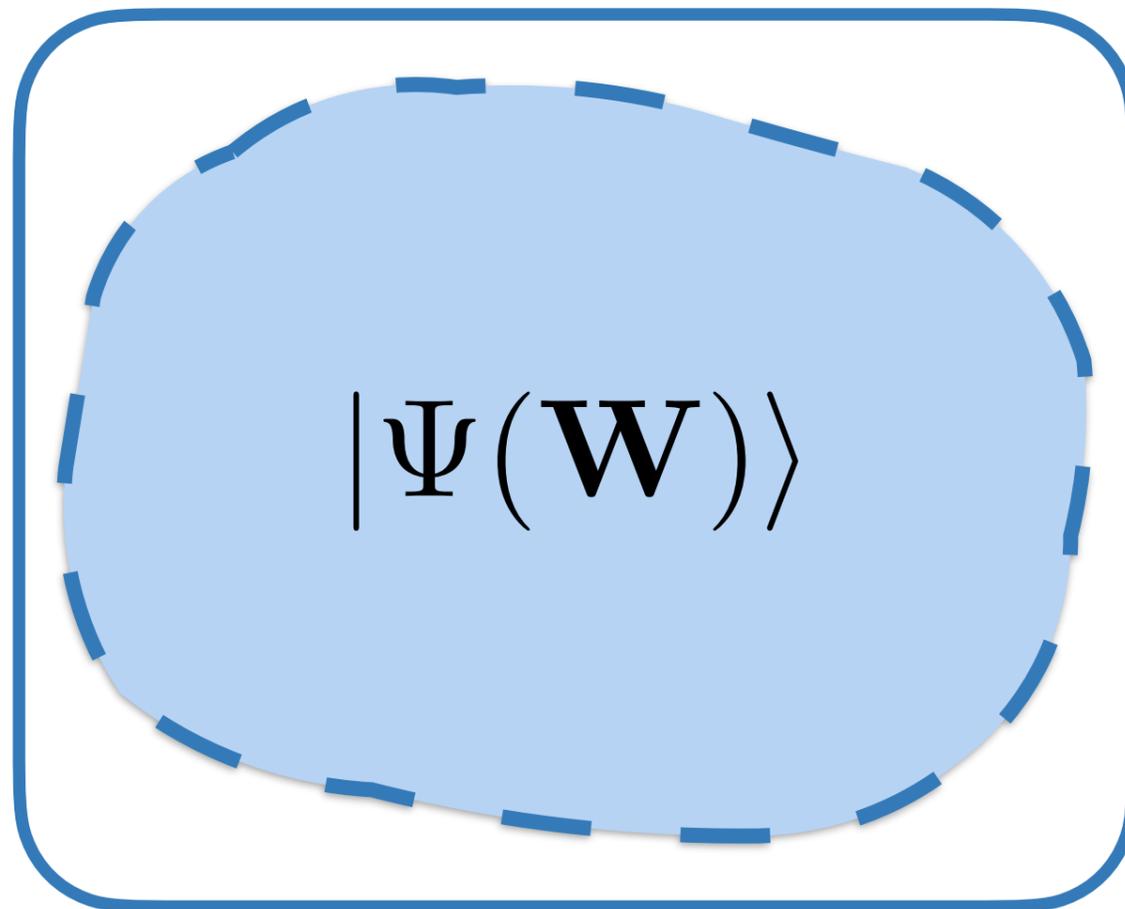
Variational Representations.

O2.1 - Corners of the Hilbert space



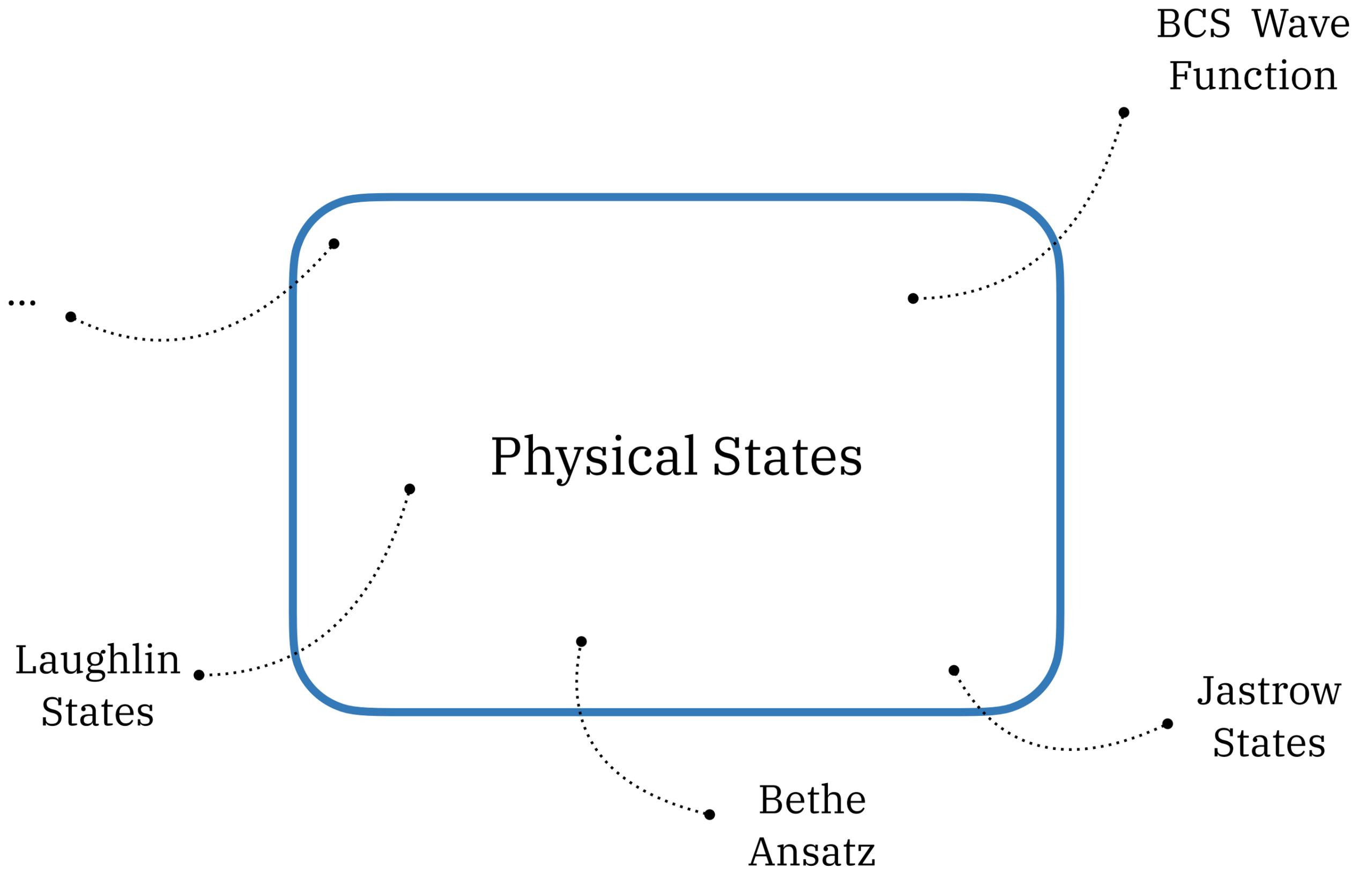
O2.2 - Variational Representations

$$|\Psi(W)\rangle = c_{\uparrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow}(W)|\uparrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow\rangle + c_{\downarrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow}(W)|\downarrow\uparrow\dots\uparrow\rangle + \dots c_{\downarrow\downarrow\dots\downarrow}(W)|\downarrow\downarrow\dots\downarrow\rangle$$



$$\langle Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_n | \Psi(W) \rangle = \Psi(Z_1, Z_2 \dots Z_N; W) = c_{Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_N}(W)$$

O2.3 - Physics-Inspired Representations



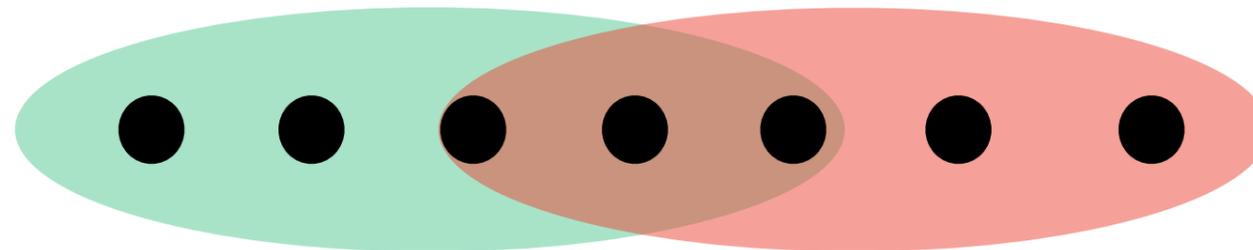
O2.4 - General Purpose: Matrix Product States

$$\langle Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_n | \Psi(W) \rangle = \text{Tr} [M(Z_1; W) M(Z_2; W) \dots M(Z_n; W)]$$

Matrices
DxD

S. White

Phys. Rev. Lett. 69, 2863 (1992)



Simple Algebra

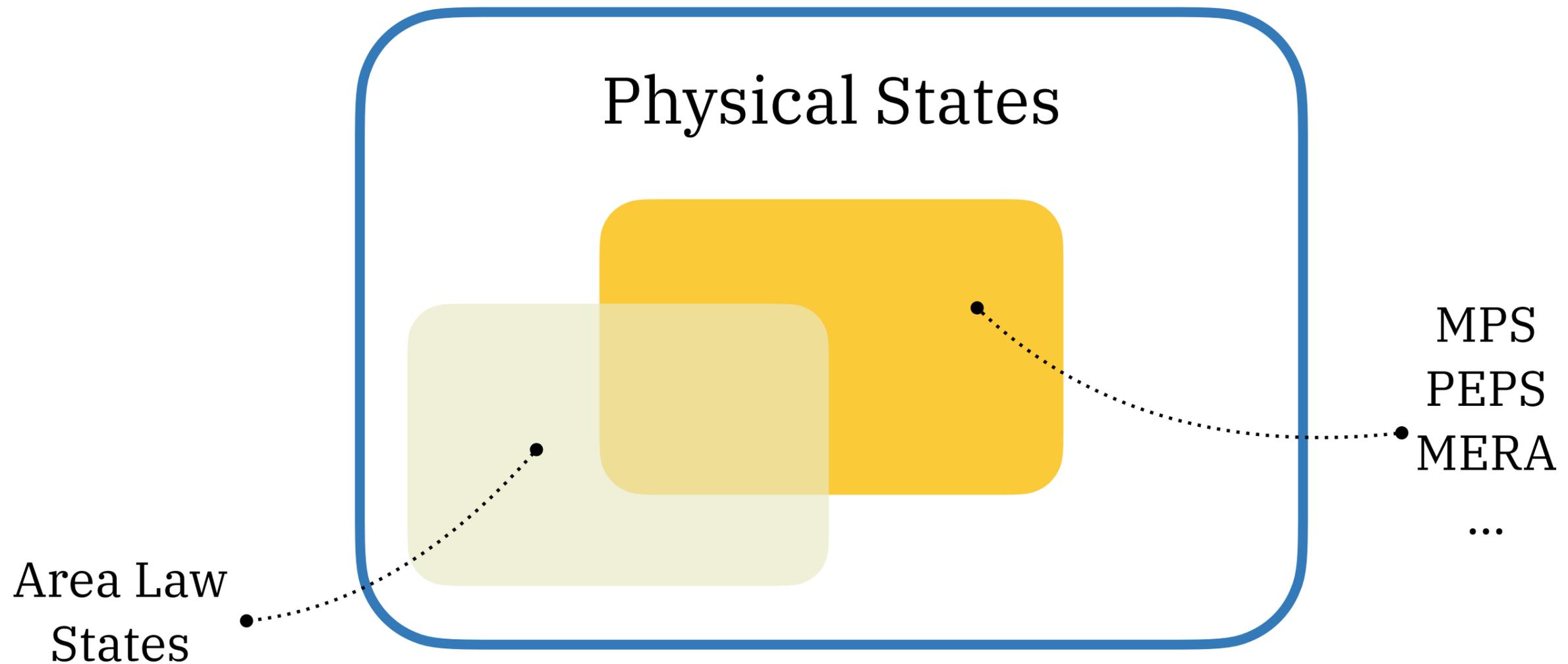
Efficient Compression
of Wave-Function

“Polynomial”
complexity

Low Entanglement

Many-Body State
Specified by Small Set
of Local Quantities

O2.5 - Tensor Networks Representations



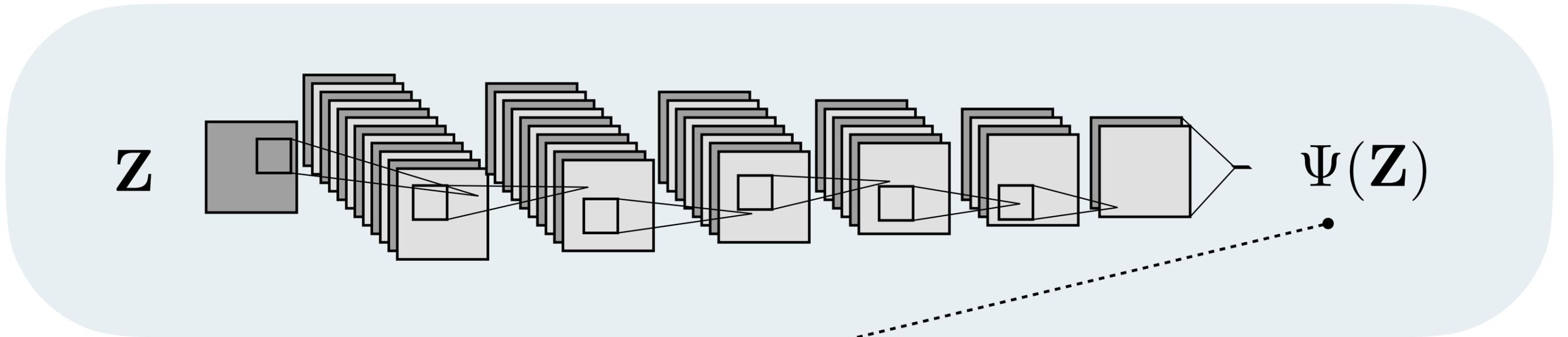
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Neural-Network Representations.

O3.1 - Neural Quantum States

Carleo, and Troyer

Science 355, 602 (2017)



$$\langle Z_1 Z_2 \dots Z_N | \Psi \rangle = g^{(L)} \circ W^{(L)} \dots g^{(2)} \circ W^{(2)} g^{(1)} \circ W^{(1)} \mathbf{Z}$$

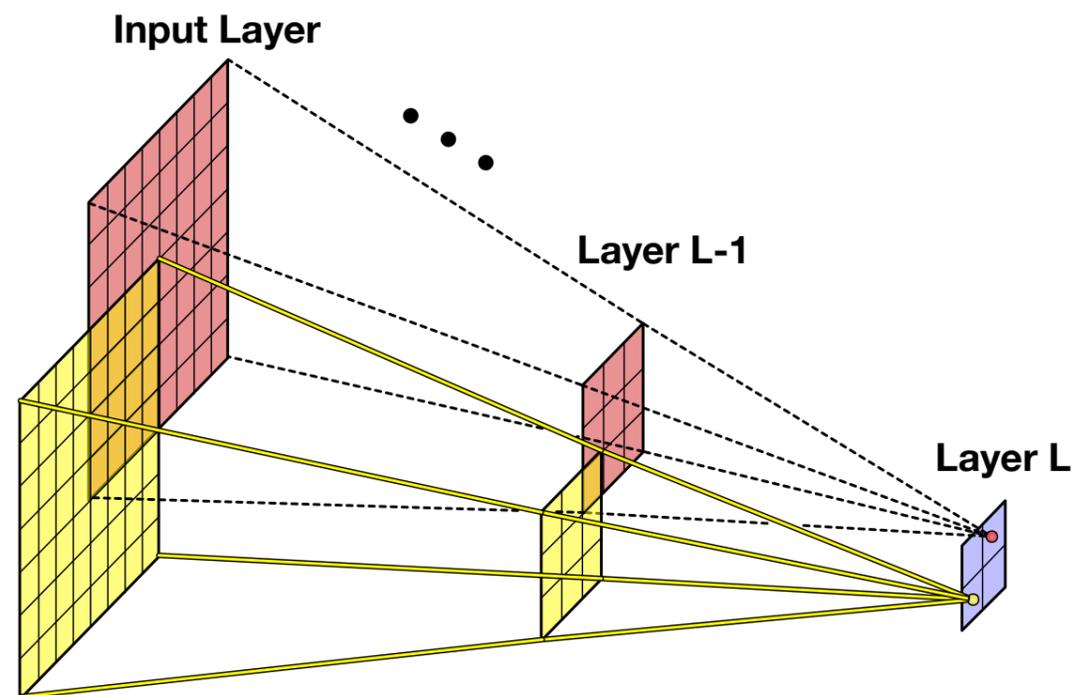
O3.2 - Representation and Entanglement Properties

$$\langle \mathbf{Z} | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{q=0}^{2n} \Phi_q \left(\sum_{p=1}^n \phi_{q,p}(Z_p) \right)$$

Universal Approximation Theorems

*Kolmogorov
and Arnold (1956)*

*Cybenko
(1989)*



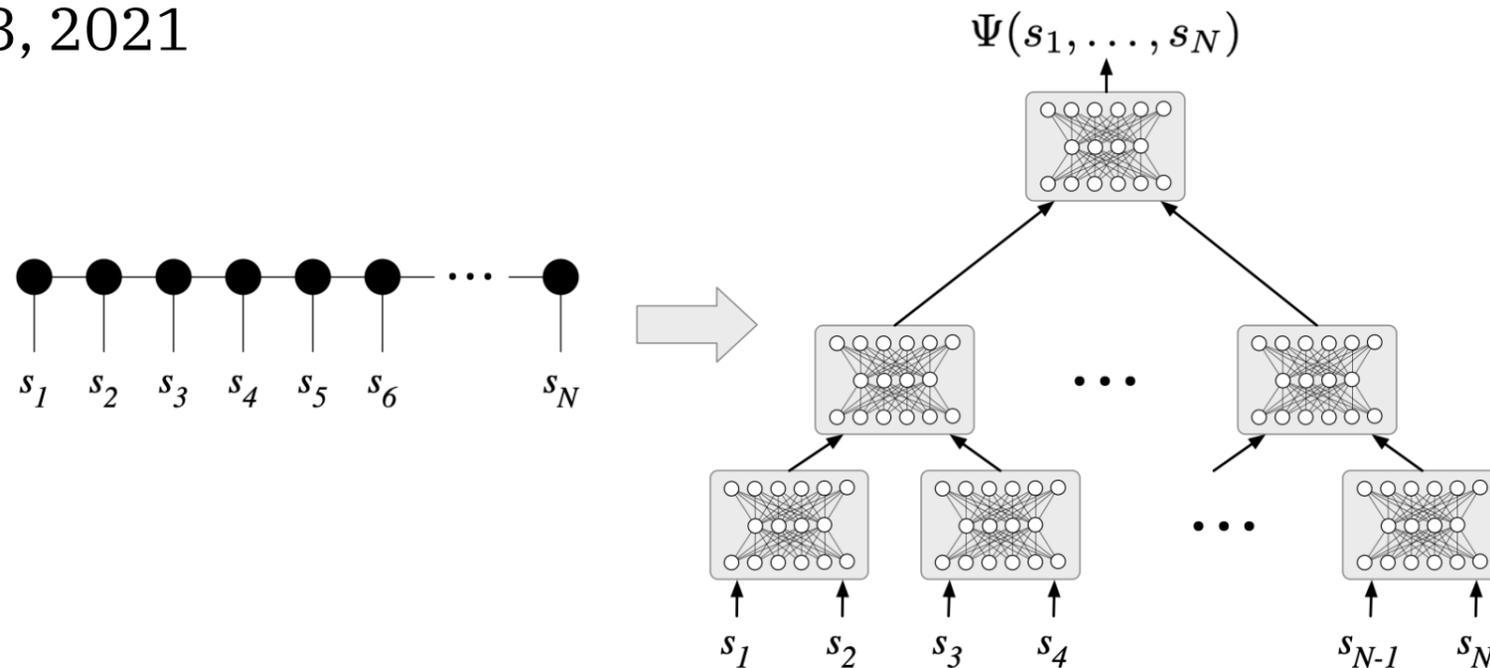
Volume-Law States

*Deng, Li, and Das
Sarma
PRX 7, 021021
(2017)*

*Levine, Sharir, Cohen,
and Shashua
PRL 122, 065301
(2019)*

O3.3 - Neural-Tensor Contractions

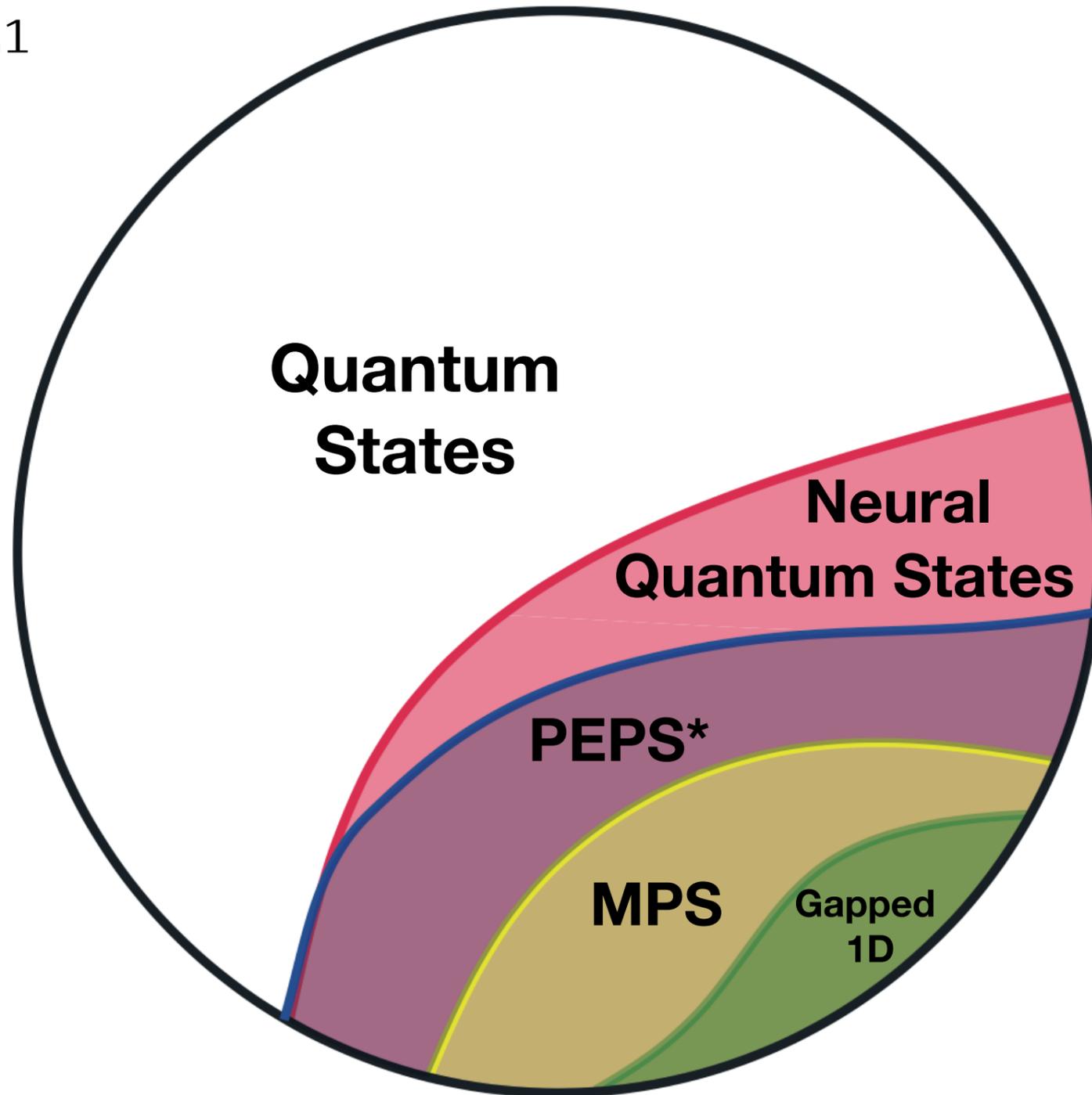
Sharir, Shashua, and Carleo
arXiv:2103.10293, 2021



Corollary 1 *For any tensor network quantum state with a contraction scheme of run-time k , and at most b bits of precision in computations and parameters, there exists a neural network that approximate it with a maximal error of ϵ and of run-time (number of edges) $O\left(k + \ln^2\left(\frac{kb}{\epsilon}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \sqrt{\frac{1}{\epsilon}}\right)$.*

O3.4 - Representability Diagram

Sharir, Shashua, and Carleo
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O4.

Learning the Ground State.

O4.1 - Variational Formulation

$$E(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{\langle \Psi(\mathbf{W}) | \mathcal{H} | \Psi(\mathbf{W}) \rangle}{\langle \Psi(\mathbf{W}) | \Psi(\mathbf{W}) \rangle} \geq E_0$$

Rayleigh Quotient

Exact Ground-State Energy

Expectation Minimization

$$E(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{\sum_Z |\Psi(Z; W)|^2 E_{\text{loc}}(Z; W)}{\sum_Z |\Psi(Z; W)|^2}$$

McMillan, Phys. Rev. 138, A442 (1965)

O4.2 - Energy Gradients

$$\nabla_k E = 2 (\langle \mathcal{O}_k^* E_{\text{loc}} \rangle - \langle \mathcal{O}_k^* \rangle \langle E_{\text{loc}} \rangle)$$



$$E_{\text{loc}}(Z; W) = \sum_{Z'} \frac{\Psi(Z'; W)}{\Psi(Z; W)} \langle Z | \mathcal{H} | Z' \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{O}_k(Z; W) = \frac{1}{\Psi(Z; W)} \frac{\partial \Psi(Z; W)}{\partial W_k}$$

$$\langle F \rangle = \frac{\sum_Z |\Psi(Z; W)|^2 F(Z)}{\sum_Z |\Psi(Z; W)|^2}$$

O4.3 - Natural Gradients

Sandro Sorella et al.
Physical Review Letters
80, 4558 (1998)

Shun-Ichi Amari
Journal Neural Computation
10, 251 (1998)

$$\sum_{k'} S_{k,k'} \Delta p_{k'} = -G_k$$

$$S_{k,k'} = \langle \mathcal{O}_k^* \mathcal{O}_{k'} \rangle - \langle \mathcal{O}_k^* \rangle \langle \mathcal{O}_{k'} \rangle$$

Quantum Geometric
Tensor or Quantum
Fisher Information

Equivalent to Imaginary-
Time Evolution
(Power Method) in
Variational Manifold

O4.4 - Variational Learning Algorithm

1. Sample $Z^{(1)} \dots Z^{(M)}$ from $P(Z; W) = \frac{|\Psi(Z; W)|^2}{\sum_{Z'} |\Psi(Z'; W)|^2}$

2. Estimate Expectation Values and Gradient $\langle F \rangle \simeq \frac{1}{M} \sum_i^M F(Z^{(i)})$

3. Estimate Quantum Fisher

4. Update Parameters $W' = W - \eta G$

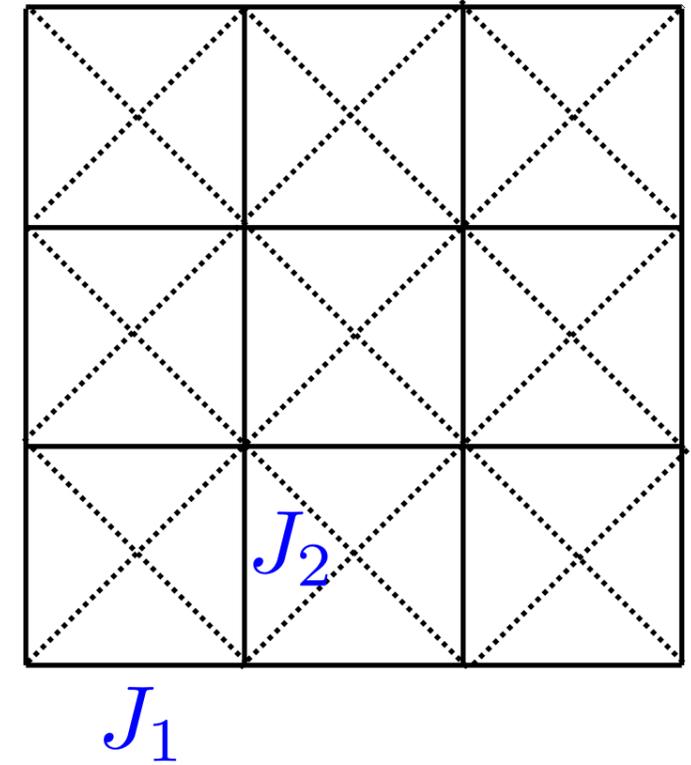
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Example Applications.

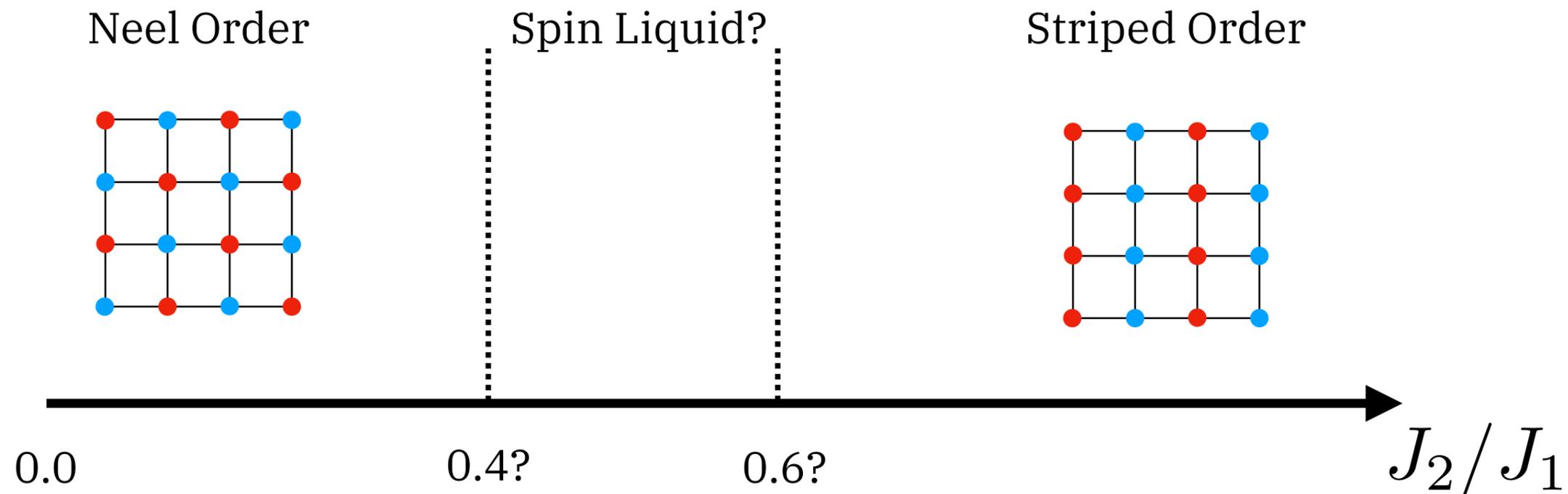
O5.1 - Frustrated Spins

J1-J2 Model

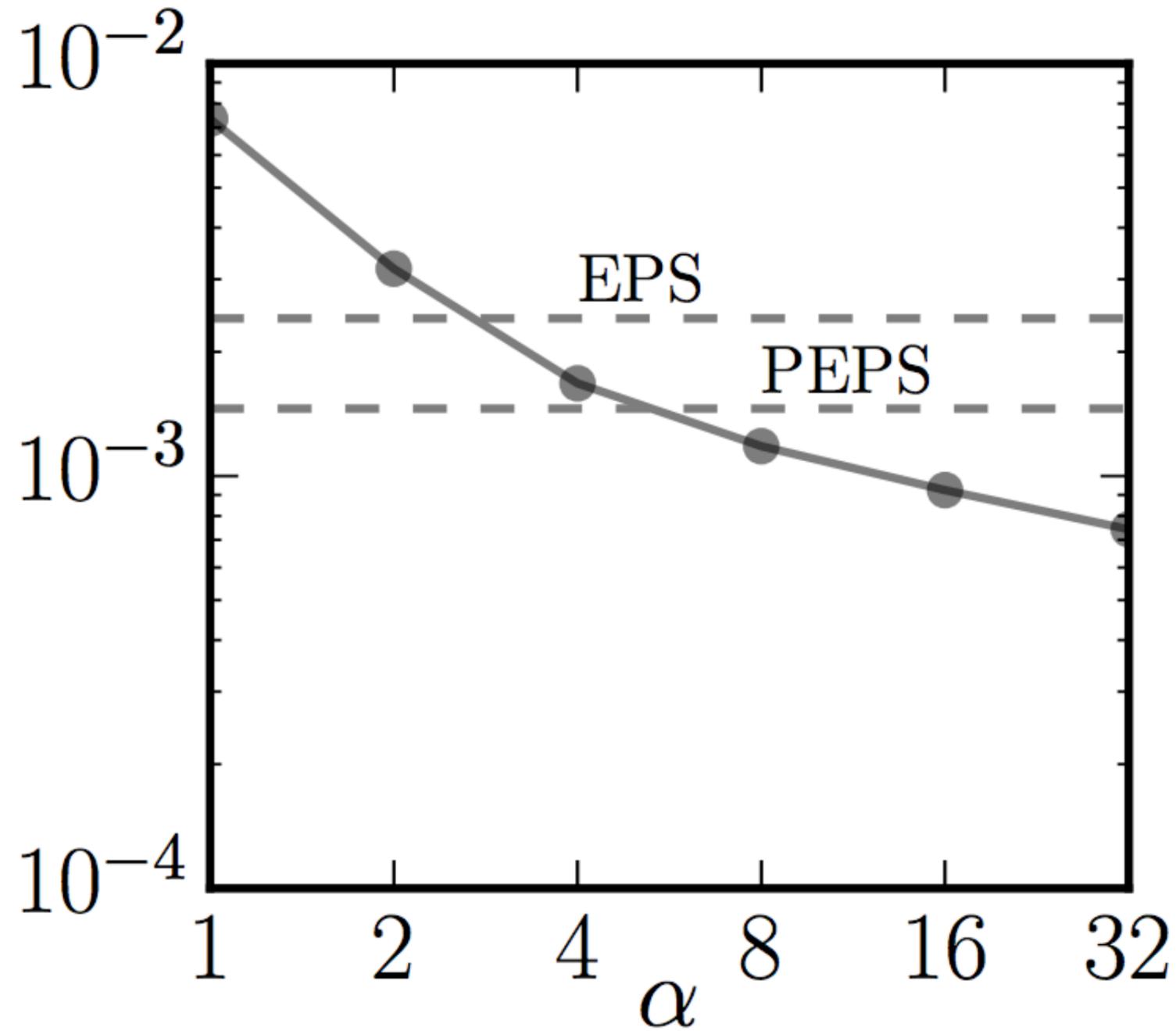
$$\hat{H} = J_1 \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j + J_2 \sum_{\langle\langle ij \rangle\rangle} \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j$$



Phase Diagram



O5.2 - Heisenberg Limit - Shallow Net

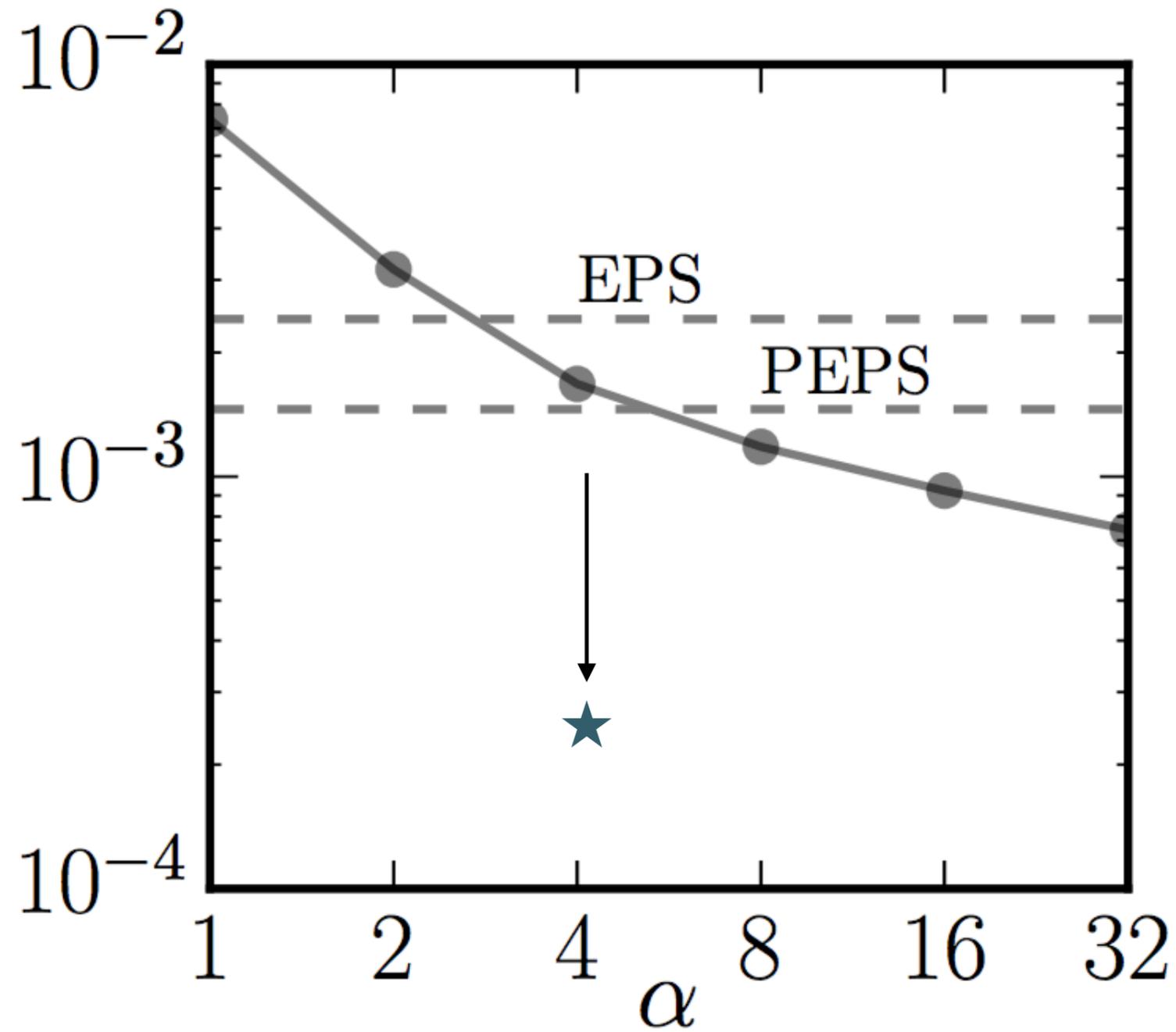


10 by 10 cluster

Early (2016) Results With Shallow
(RBM) Network

Carleo, and Troyer
Science 355, 602 (2017)

O5.3 - Heisenberg Limit - Deeper Net

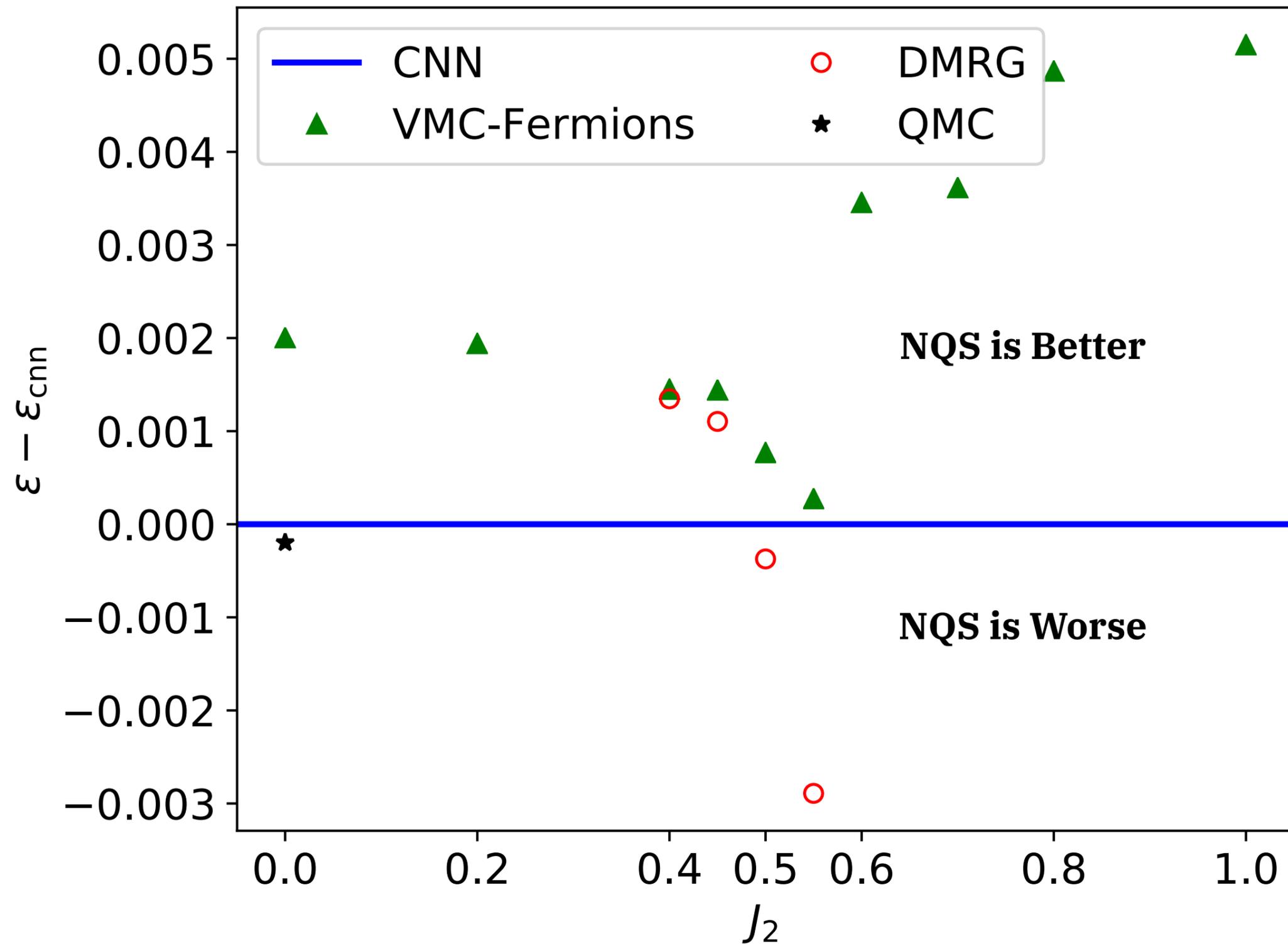


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(Mildly) deep CNN further improves

Choo, Neupert, and Carleo
Phys. Rev. B 100, 125124 (2019)

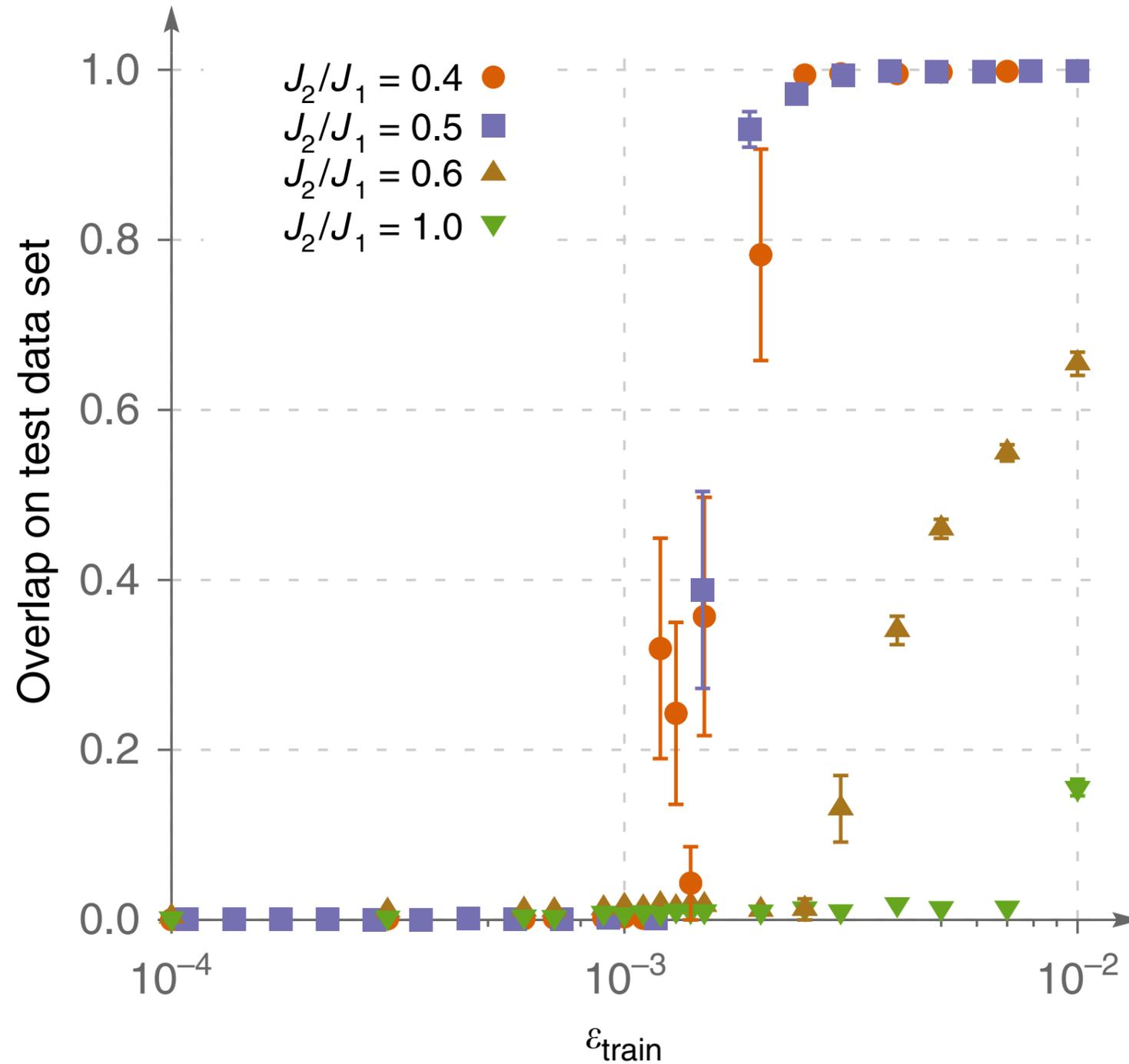
O5.4 - Frustrated Case: Accuracy Diagram



10 by 10 cluster

Choo, Neupert, and Carleo
Phys. Rev. B 100, 125124 (2019)

O5.5 - Origin of the Challenge?



Frustrated
Phases
Have Large
Sample
Complexity

*Westerhout, Astrakhantsev, Tikhonov,
Katsnelson, Bagrov*
Nature Comm. 11, 1593 (2020)

O5.6 - Continuous Improvements...

TABLE II. Comparison of ground-state energy for the 10×10 lattice at $J_2 = 0.5$ among different wave functions. The wave functions in bold font use neural networks. In Ref. [18], p -th order Lanczos steps are applied to the VMC wave function.

Energy per site	Wave function	Reference
$-0.494757(12)$	Neural quantum state	<u>65</u>
$-0.49516(1)$	CNN	<u>60</u>
$-0.49521(1)$	VMC($p=0$)	<u>18</u>
-0.495530	DMRG	<u>22</u>
$-0.49575(3)$	RBM-fermionic w.f.	<u>63</u>
$-0.497549(2)$	VMC($p=2$)	<u>18</u>
$-0.497629(1)$	RBM+PP	present study

Nomura, and Imada
arXiv:2005.14142 (2020)

O5.7 - Fermions: Back to the Spin Problem

Map Fermions to
Spins

Choo, Mezzacapo, and Carleo
Nature Comm. 11, 2368 (2020)

Jordan-Wigner
Mapping

Pro: Simple Mapping

Con: N-Body, non-local Spin
Operators

Bravyi-Kitaev
Mapping

Pro: $\log(N)$ -Body, quasi-local
Spin Operators

Con: More Involved Mapping

O5.8 - Jordan-Wigner Mapping

$$c_j \rightarrow \left(\prod_{i=0}^{j-1} \sigma_i^z \right) \sigma_j^-$$
$$c_j^\dagger \rightarrow \left(\prod_{i=0}^{j-1} \sigma_i^z \right) \sigma_j^+$$

Jordan Wigner “strings” take into account exchange symmetry

$$H_q = \sum_{j=1}^r h_j \boldsymbol{\sigma}_j$$

Spin Hamiltonian is a sum of product of Pauli matrices

O5.9 - Bravyi-Kitaev Mapping

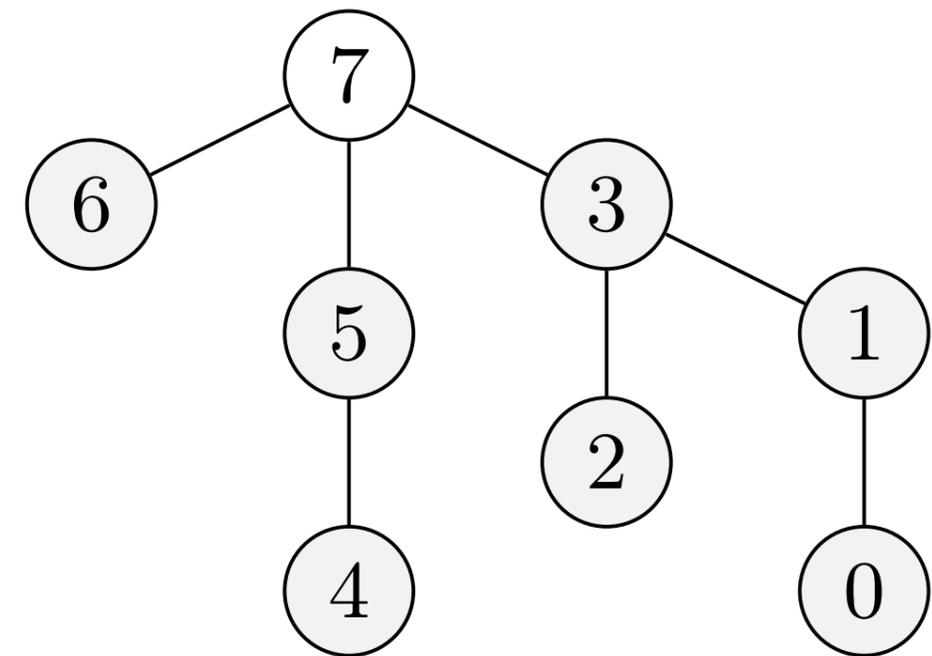
$$c_j \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (A_j \sigma_j^x B_j + i A_j \sigma_j^y B_j)$$

$$c_j^\dagger \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (A_j \sigma_j^x B_j - i A_j \sigma_j^y B_j)$$

$$A_j = \left(\prod_{k \in U(j)} \sigma_k^x \right)$$

$$B_j = \left(\prod_{k \in P(j)} \sigma_k^z \right)$$

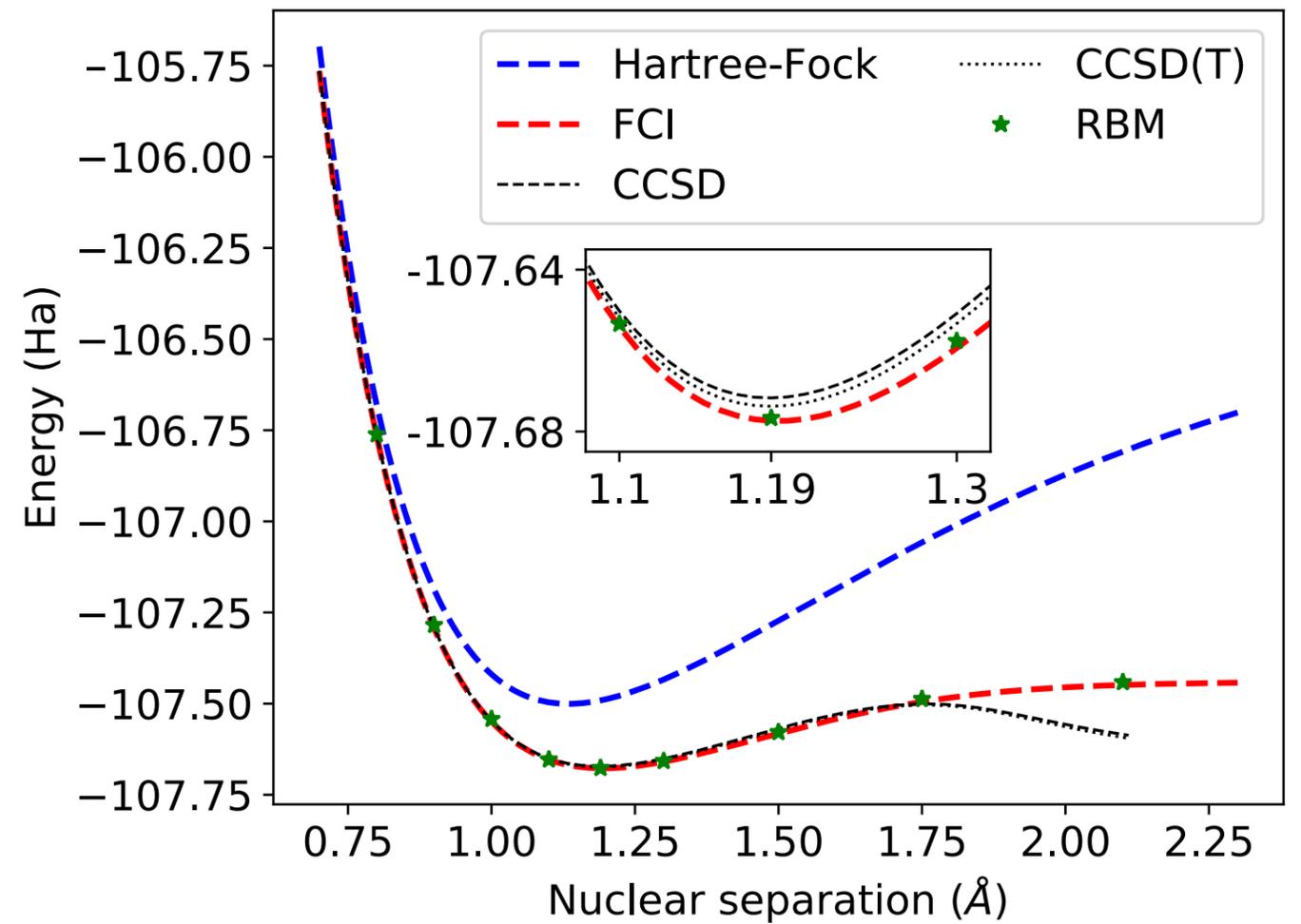
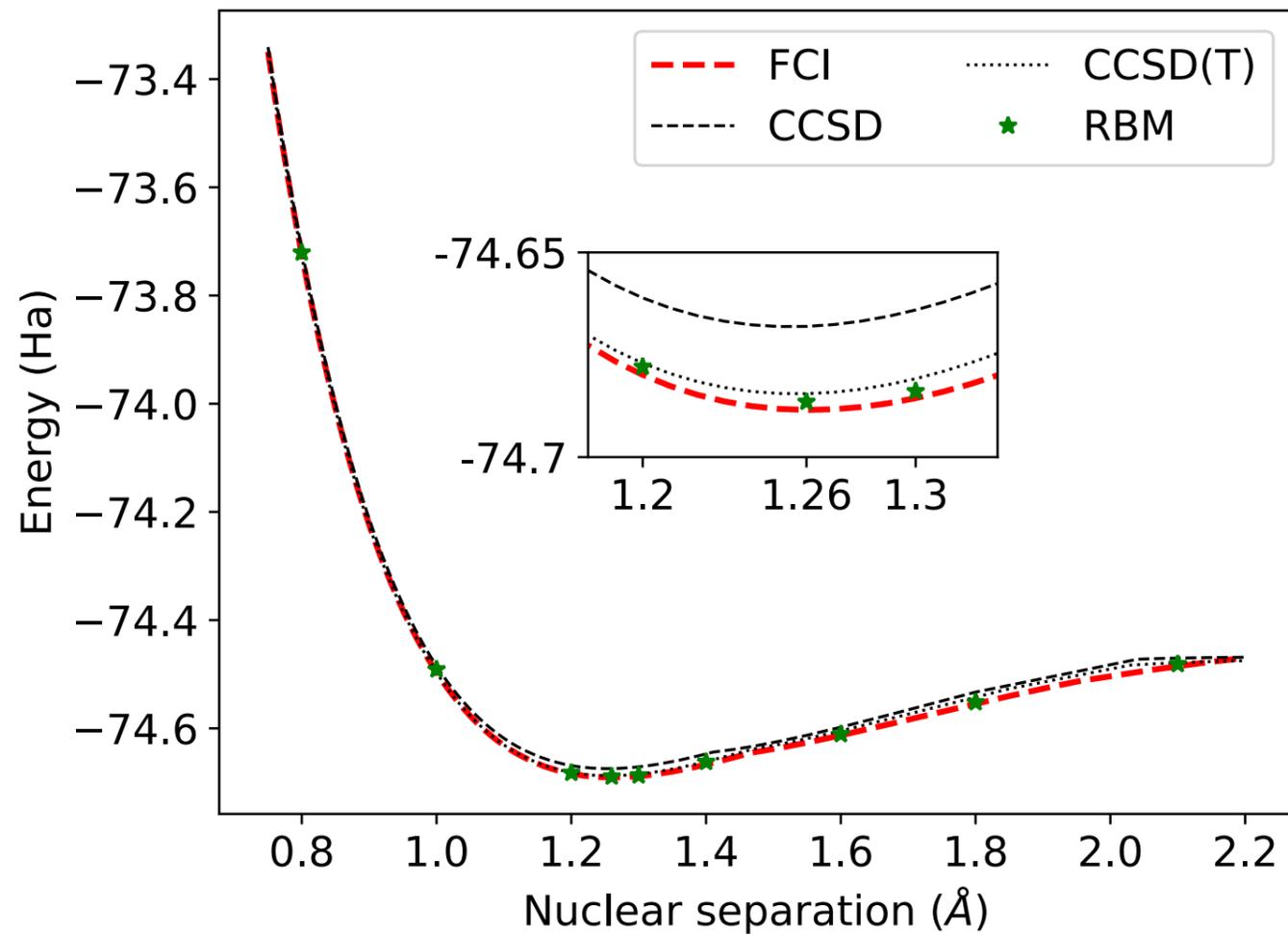
“Quasi-Local”
Operators



Compute signs using Fenwick trees
instead of linear products

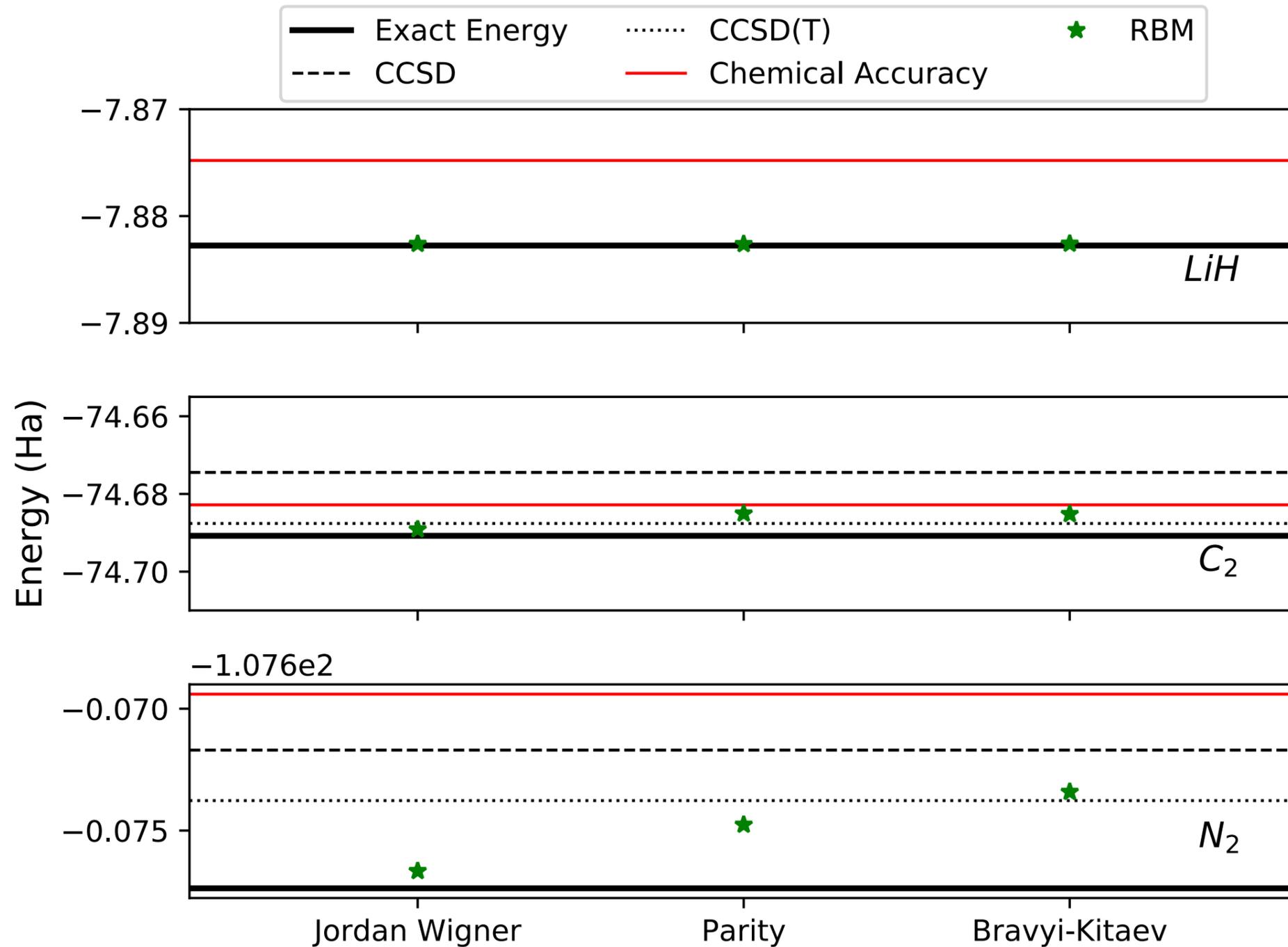
Strings have $\log(N)$ length instead of N

O5.10 - Dissociation Curves for C₂ and N₂



STO-3G Basis Set
Single-Layer Network

O5.11 - Different Mappings



Ansatz is almost insensitive to the locality of the mapping

06.

Computationally Tractable States.

O6.1 – Definition and Properties

Definition 1 An n -qubit state $|\psi\rangle$ is called ‘computationally tractable’ (CT) if the following conditions hold:

- (a) it is possible to sample in $\text{poly}(n)$ time with classical means from the probability distribution $\text{Prob}(x) = |\langle x|\psi\rangle|^2$ on the set of n -bit strings x , and
- (b) upon input of any bit string x , the coefficient $\langle x|\psi\rangle$ can be computed in $\text{poly}(n)$ time on a classical computer.

Theorem 3 Let $|\psi\rangle$ and $|\varphi\rangle$ be CT n -qubit states and let A be an efficiently computable sparse (not necessarily unitary) n -qubit operation with $\|A\| \leq 1$. Then there exists an efficient classical algorithm to approximate $\langle \varphi|A|\psi\rangle$ with polynomial accuracy.

Corollary 1 Let $|\psi\rangle$ be an n -qubit CT state and let O be a d -local observable with $d = O(\log n)$ and $\|O\| \leq 1$. Then there exists an efficient classical algorithm to estimate $\langle \psi|O|\psi\rangle$ with polynomial accuracy.

Van Den Nest
arXiv:0911.1624 (2009)

O6.2 - Examples

Matrix Product States
Are Computationally
Tractable

Jastrow, Backflow,
PEPS etc states are not
computationally
tractable

Generic neural deep
quantum states are
not computationally
Tractable

O6.3 - Autoregressive Quantum States

$$\Psi(s_1, \dots, s_N) = \prod_{i=1}^N \psi_i(s_i | s_{i-1}, \dots, s_1)$$

$\sum_{s'} |\psi_i(s' | s_{i-1}, \dots, s_1)|^2 = 1$

Sharir, Levine, Wies, Carleo, and Shashua
Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 020503 (2020)

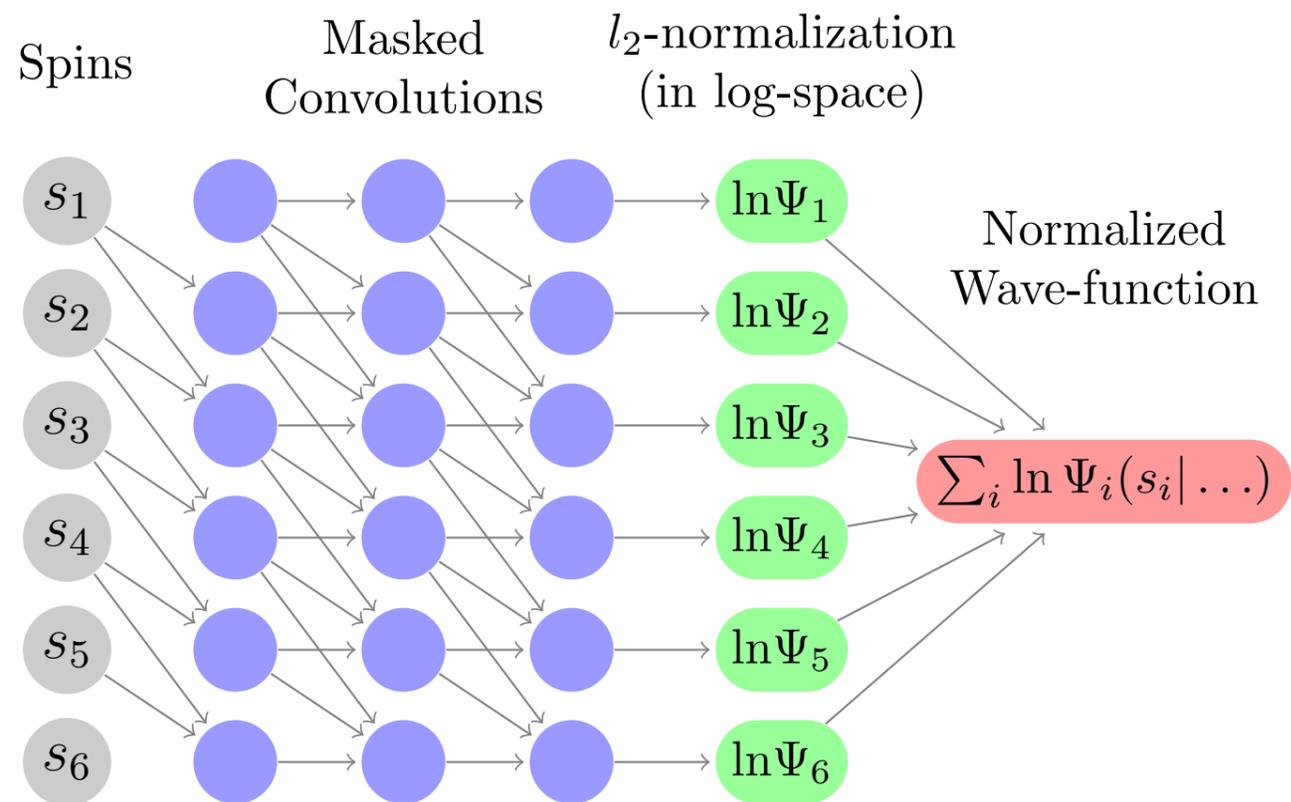
Normalized
"Conditionals"

These Are Computationally Tractable

(a) Exact Sampling

(b) Computing Normalized
Amplitudes is Efficient

O6.4 - Using Masked Deep Networks



Masked Fully Connected Network

1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0

Masked Convolutions

PixelCNN

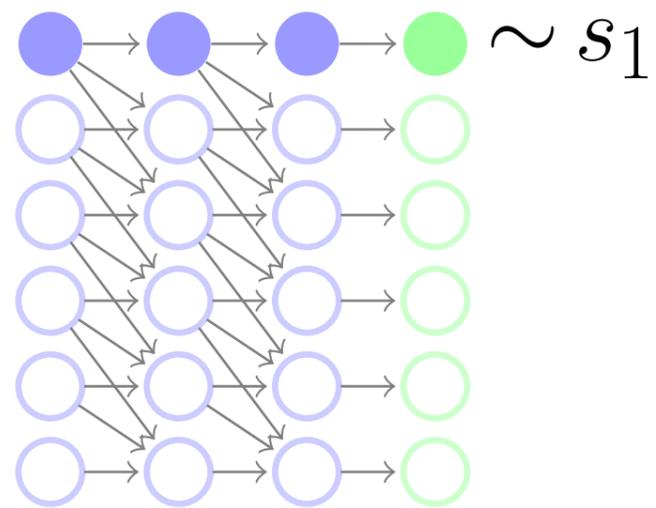
Van den Oord et al.
arXiv:1606.05328 (2016)

Salimans et al.
arXiv:1701.05517 (2017)

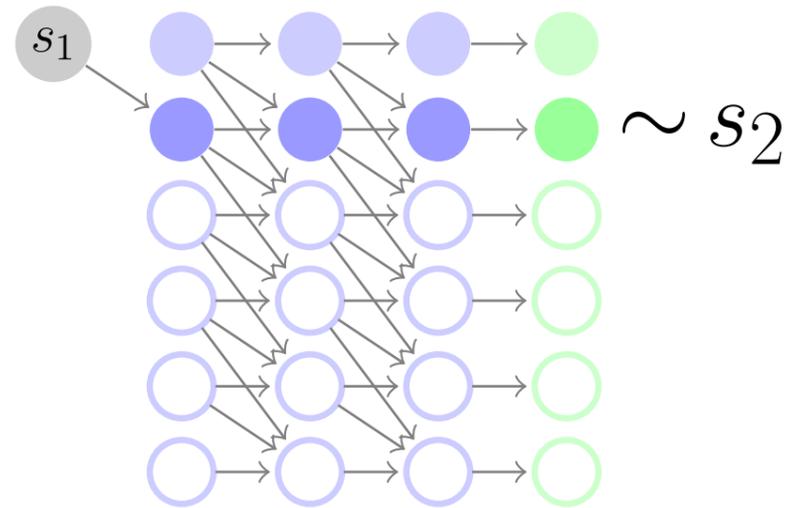
Ramachandran et al.
arXiv:1704.06001 (2017)

O6.5 - Exact Sampling

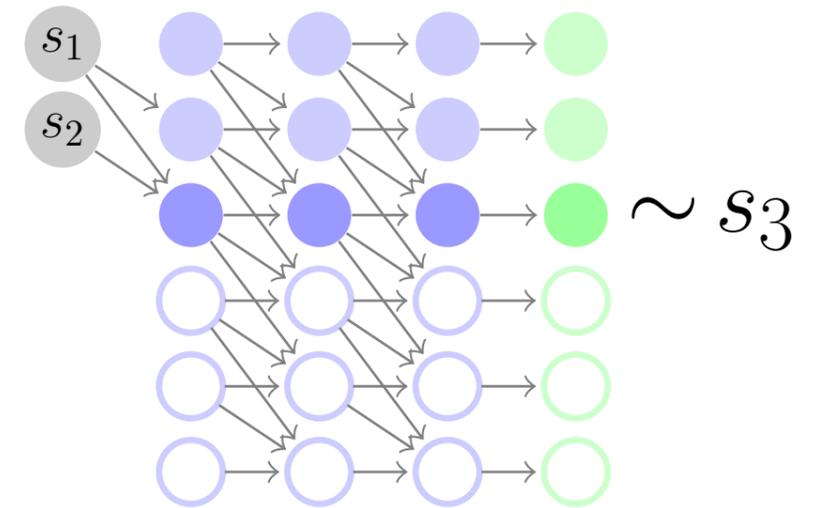
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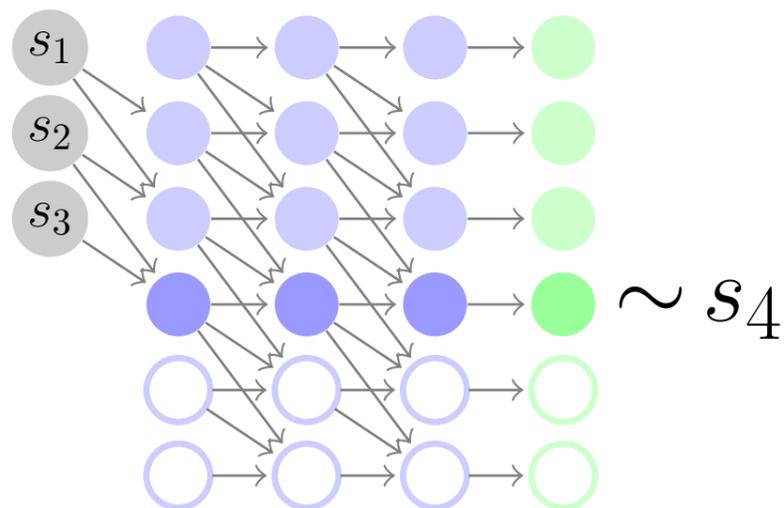
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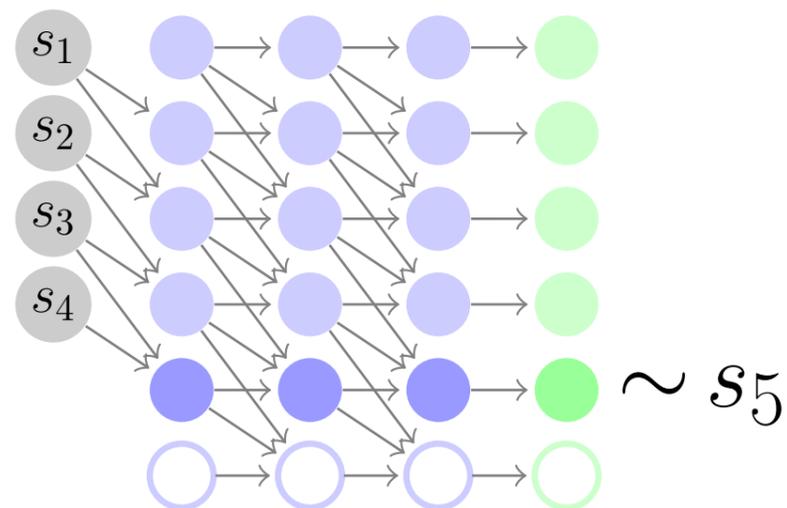
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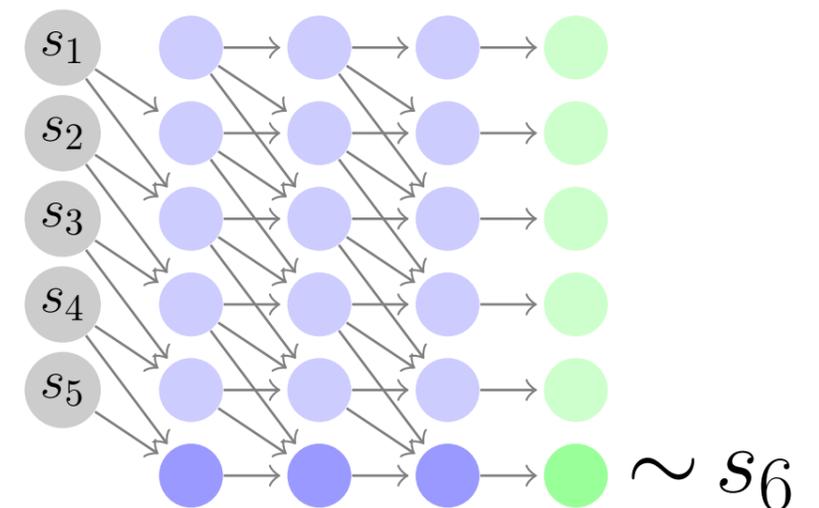
Step 4:



Step 5:

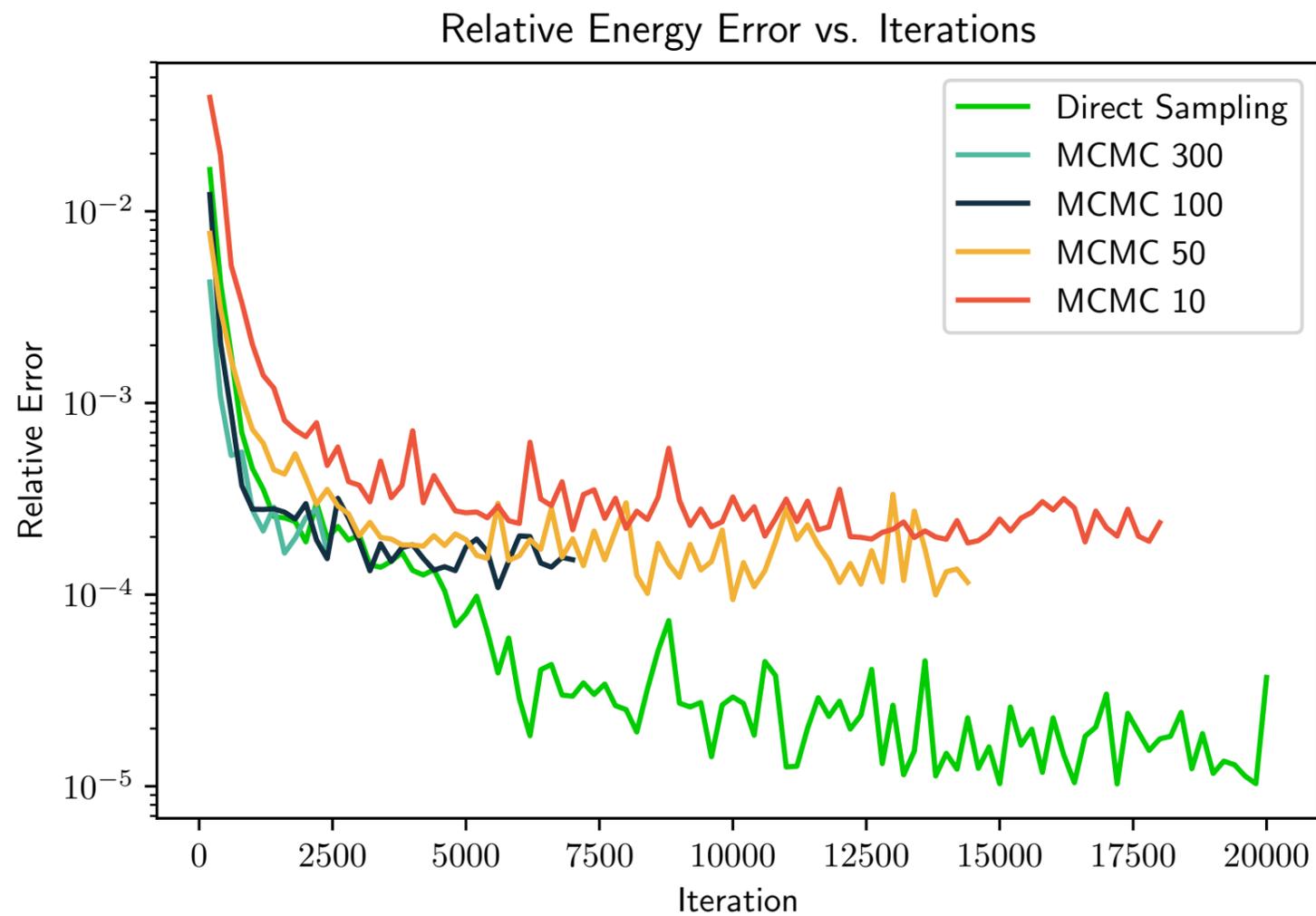


Step 6:



O6.6 - Removing the Sampling Bottleneck Pays Off

Sharir, Levine, Wies, Carleo, and Shashua
Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 020503 (2020)



21x21
Transverse-Field
Ising in 2d

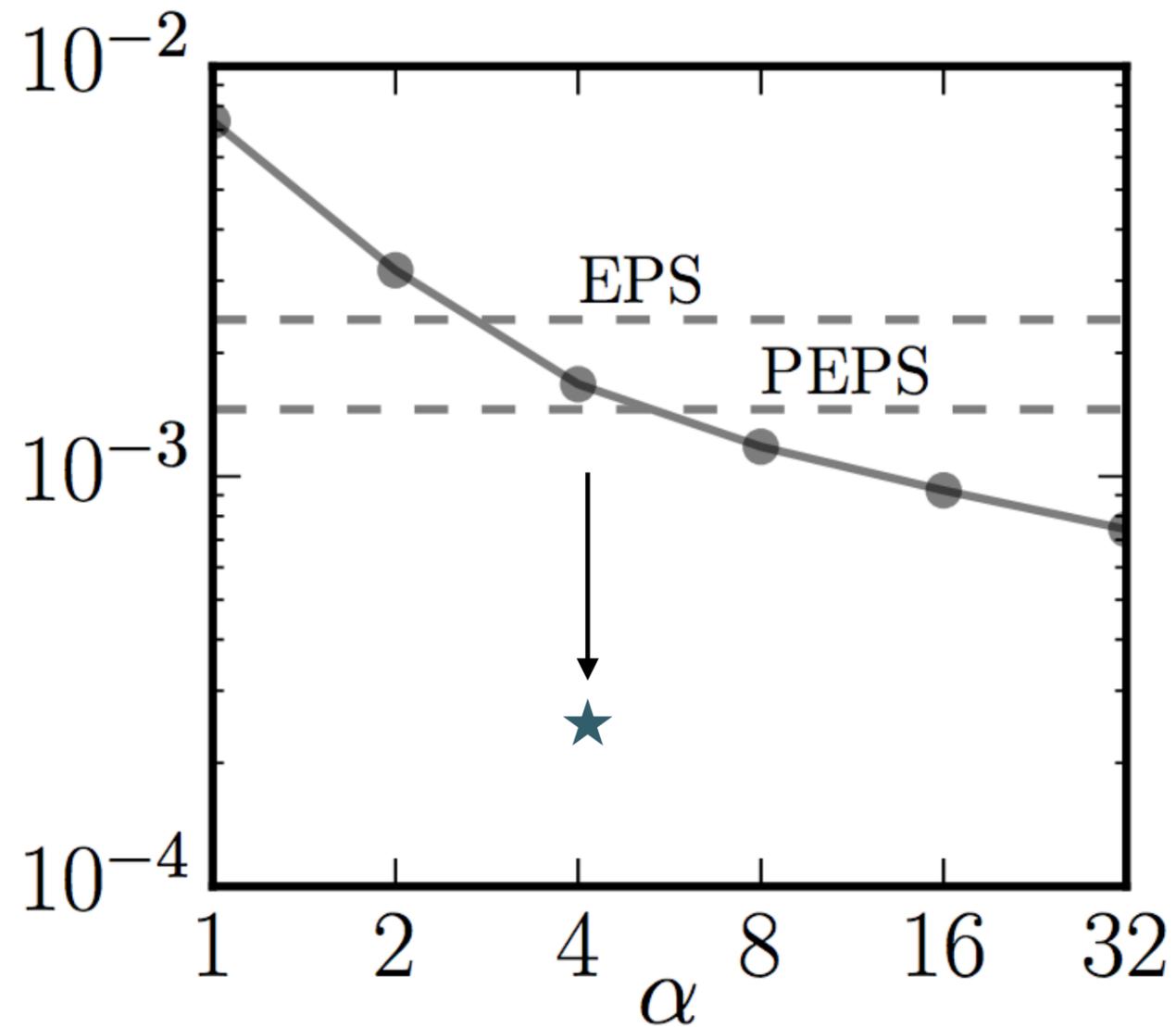
Depth 20 About
1 Million
Parameters

O6.7 - Accuracy on Spins Only: Heisenberg Model

Carleo, and Troyer
Science 355, 602 (2017)

*Choo, Neupert,
and Carleo*
Phys. Rev. B
100, 125124
(2019)

*Sharir, Levine, Wies,
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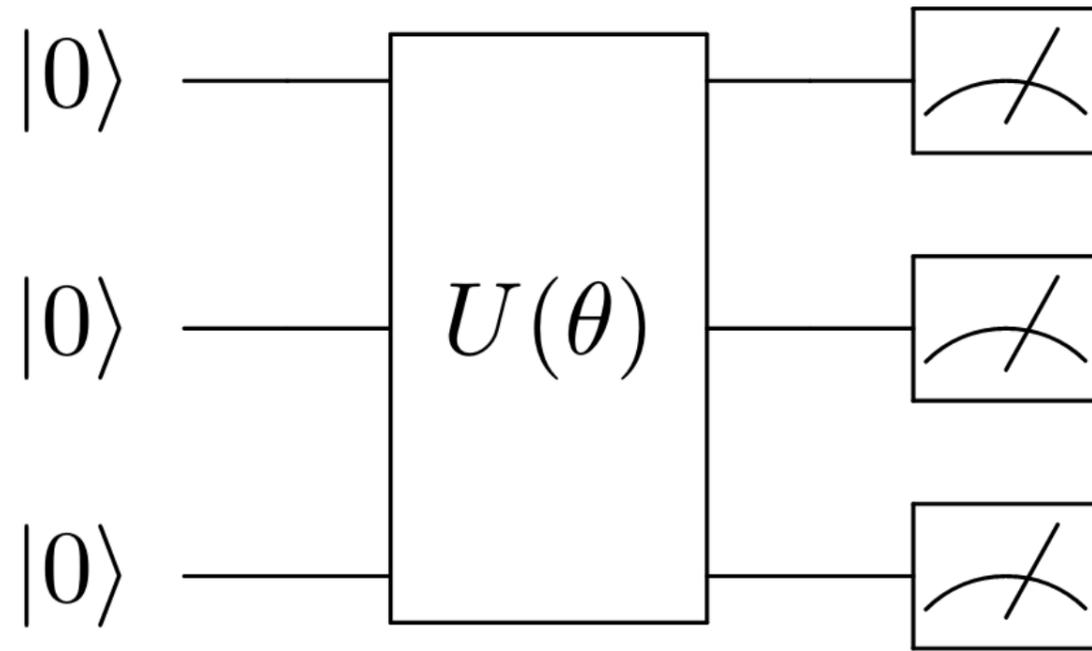
Significantly Higher Accuracy Than
Shallow Networks

$\sim 4 \times 10^{-5}$

07.

Quantum Variational Representations.

O7.1 - General Setup



Parameterized
Quantum
Circuit

$$L(\theta)$$
$$\nabla_{\theta} L(\theta)$$

Stochastic
Estimate of Loss
Function and
Gradients

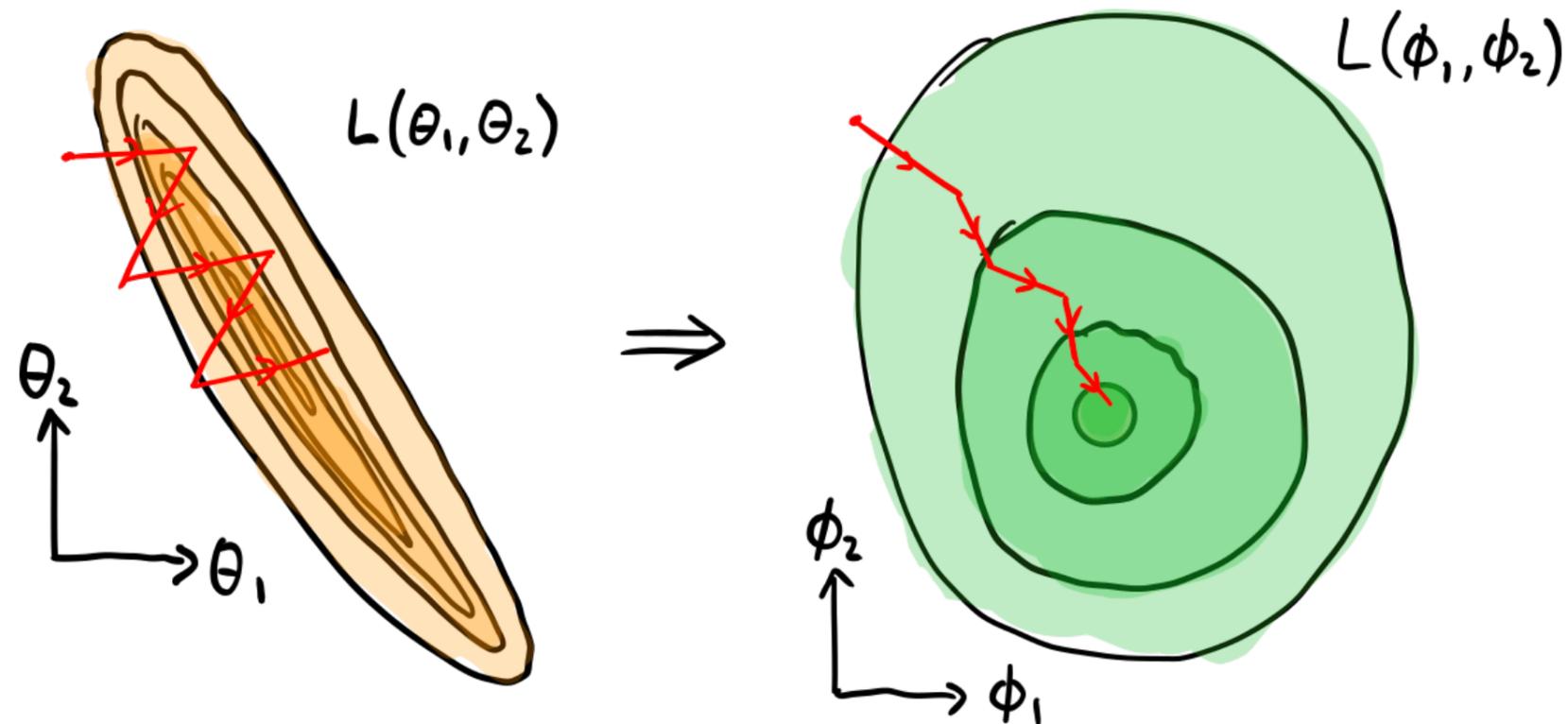
$$\theta^{(k+1)} = \theta^k - \eta \nabla_{\theta} L(\theta)$$

Iterative
Minimization

O7.2 - Quantum Natural Gradient

$$\theta^{(k+1)} = \theta^k - \eta g^{-1}(\theta^k) \nabla_{\theta} L(\theta)$$

Shun-Ichi Amari
Neural Computation 10, 251 (1998)



Stokes, Izaac, Killoran, and Carleo
Quantum 4, 269 (2020)

$$g_{ij}(\theta) = \text{Re} \left[\left\langle \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta_i} \middle| \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta_j} \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta_i} \middle| \Psi \right\rangle \left\langle \Psi \middle| \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta_j} \right\rangle \right]$$

O7.3 - Strong Interplay With Classical Methods

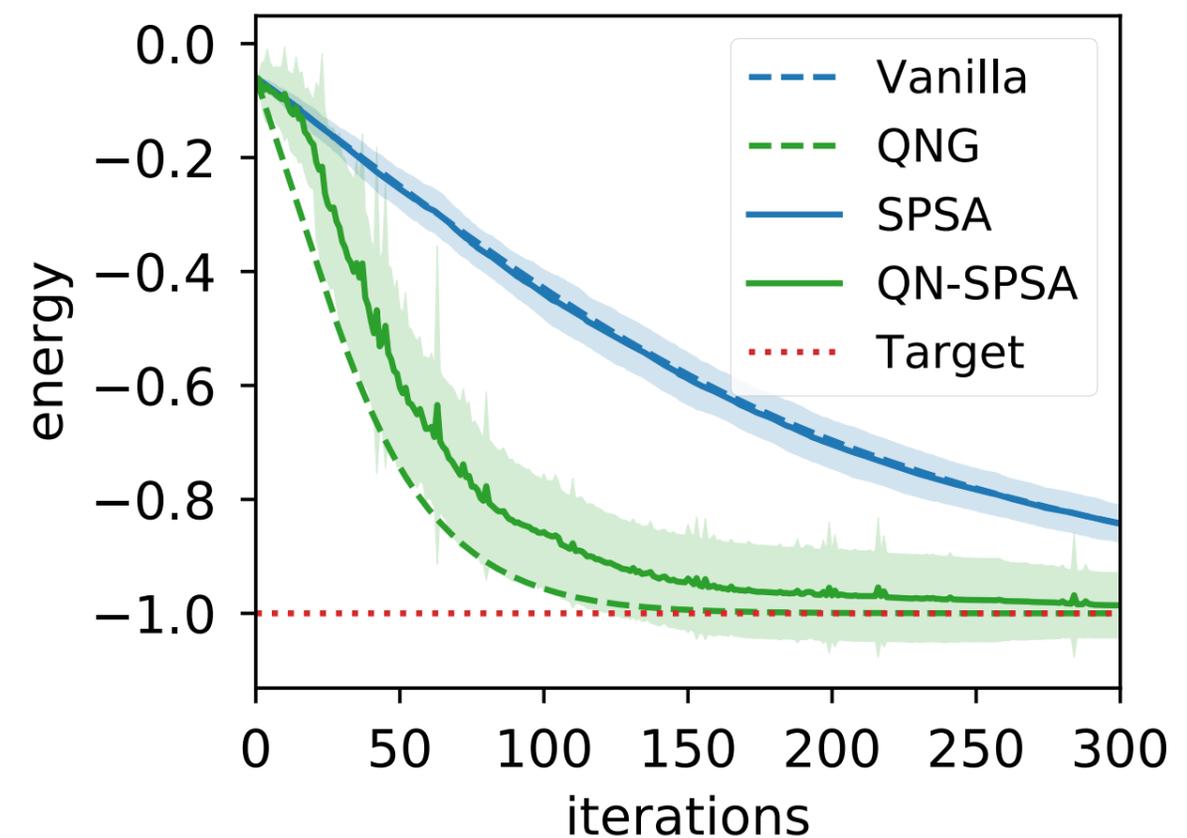
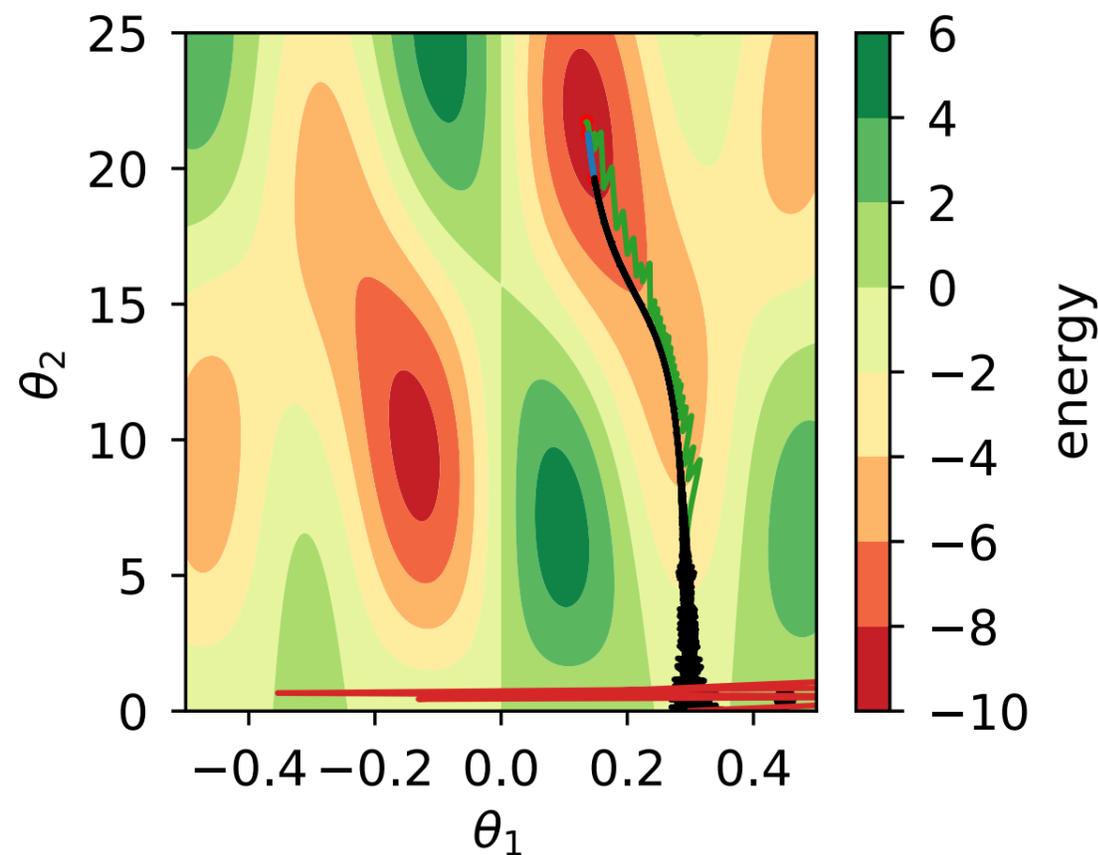
Problem	Classical Stochastic	Quantum
Variational Minimization	Variational Monte Carlo [<i>McMillan, 1965</i>]	Variational Quantum Eigensolver [<i>Peruzzo et al, 2014</i>]
Variational Imaginary Time Evolution	Stochastic Reconfiguration [<i>Sorella, 1998</i>]	[<i>McArdle et al, 2019</i>]
Variational Real Time Evolution	Time-Dependent Variational Monte Carlo [<i>Carleo et al, 2012</i>]	TDVA [<i>Lee and Benjamin, 2017</i>]
Machine Learning	Natural Gradient Descent [<i>Amari, 1998</i>]	Quantum Natural Gradient Descent [<i>Stokes et al, 2020</i>]

O7.4 - Fast Quantum Natural Gradient: QN-SPSA

$$g_{ij}(\theta) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} |\langle \psi_{\theta'} | \psi_{\theta} \rangle|^2 \Big|_{\theta'=\theta}$$

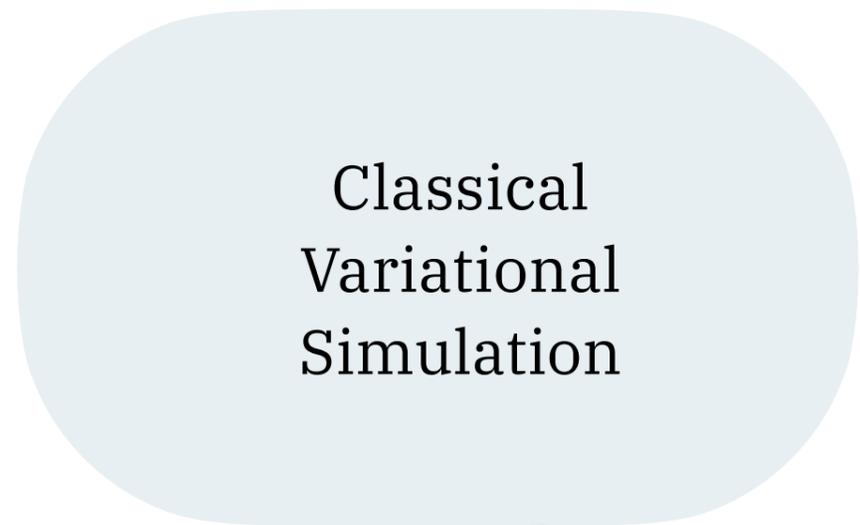
Gacon, Zoufal, Carleo, and Woerner
arXiv:2103.09232, (2021)

- Natural SPSA
- SPSA
- SPSA manually calibrated
- SPSA auto-calibrated



07.

Outlook.



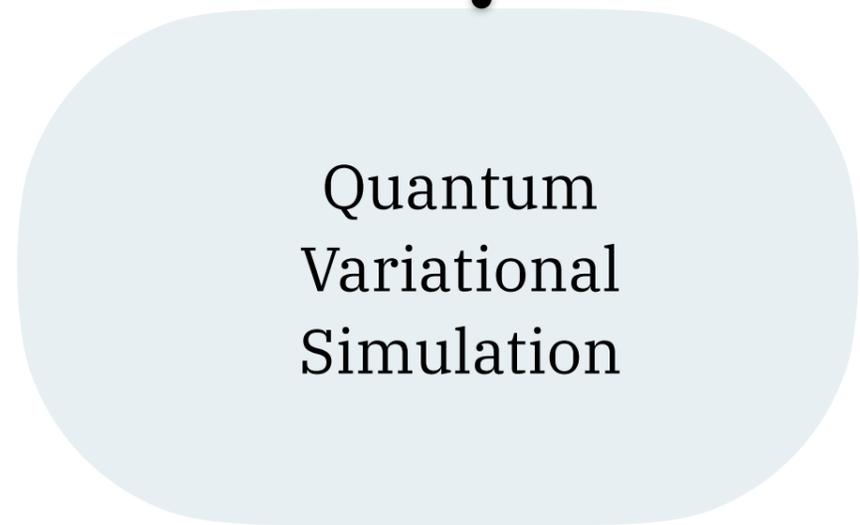
Classical
Variational
Simulation

Highly
Entangled State

General Guiding
Principle for
Networks?

Exact Sampling
[Autoregressive]

Efficiently
Enforce
Symmetries



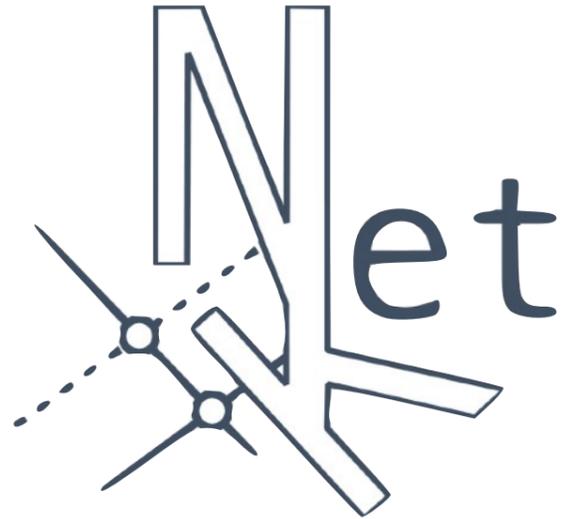
Quantum
Variational
Simulation

Potentially More
Expressive

“Arbitrary”
Unitaries

Noise

Shallow Circuits



The NetKet Project

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NetKet: A Machine Learning Toolkit for Many-Body Quantum Systems

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import netket as nk

# 1D Lattice
g = nk.graph.Hypercube(length=20, n_dim=1, pbc=True)

# Hilbert space of spins on the graph
hi = nk.hilbert.Spin(s=0.5, graph=g)

# Ising spin hamiltonian
ha = nk.operator.Ising(h=1.0, hilbert=hi)

# RBM Spin Machine
ma = nk.machine.RbmSpin(alpha=1, hilbert=hi)
ma.init_random_parameters(seed=1234, sigma=0.01)

# Metropolis Local Sampling
sa = nk.sampler.MetropolisLocal(machine=ma)
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