

# Quantum algorithms for the early fault- tolerance regime



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# Quantum information science

- Theory of information processing: Mathematical foundations by Turing, Shannon, etc.
- Abstract theory independent of underlying physics?
- Physics changes at different length scales (energies), notion of information for microscopical systems described by quantum physics?
- Deep finding: **Quantum information  $\neq$  classical information!**
- Led to whole new research area of quantum technologies and quantum computing

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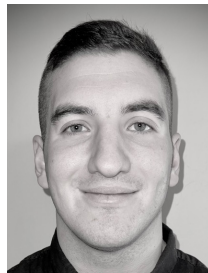
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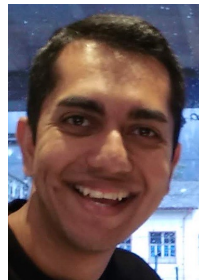
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# Theory of quantum information science

- Our focus areas:
  1. Mathematical foundations of quantum information
  2. Quantum algorithm development
- Visiting Reader at Department of Computing Imperial College London
- Industry ties with Amazon Web Services Center for Quantum Computing



This talk: Quantum algorithm  
development

# Quantum algorithms

- Early ideas by Feynman and others on quantum simulation in the 1980s
- Query complexity separation results in the circuit model in the 1990s
- Peter Shor (1999) breakthrough result:  
 $n$ -bit integer factorization in quantum complexity  $O(n^2 \log n)$  versus the classical complexity  $O\left(\exp\left(1.9 \cdot n^{\frac{1}{3}} (\log n)^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)\right)$
- Steady progress on quantum algorithm development since, recent flurry of activities and results
- Goal: **Quantify classical-quantum complexity boundary**

# Classical versus quantum technologies

- Basic question from complexity-theoretic viewpoint:

*Do algorithms based on **quantum components**, such as quantum processing units (QPU) / quantum memory / quantum random access memory (QRAM) etc., provide **computational advantages** compared to leading methods based on classical components?*

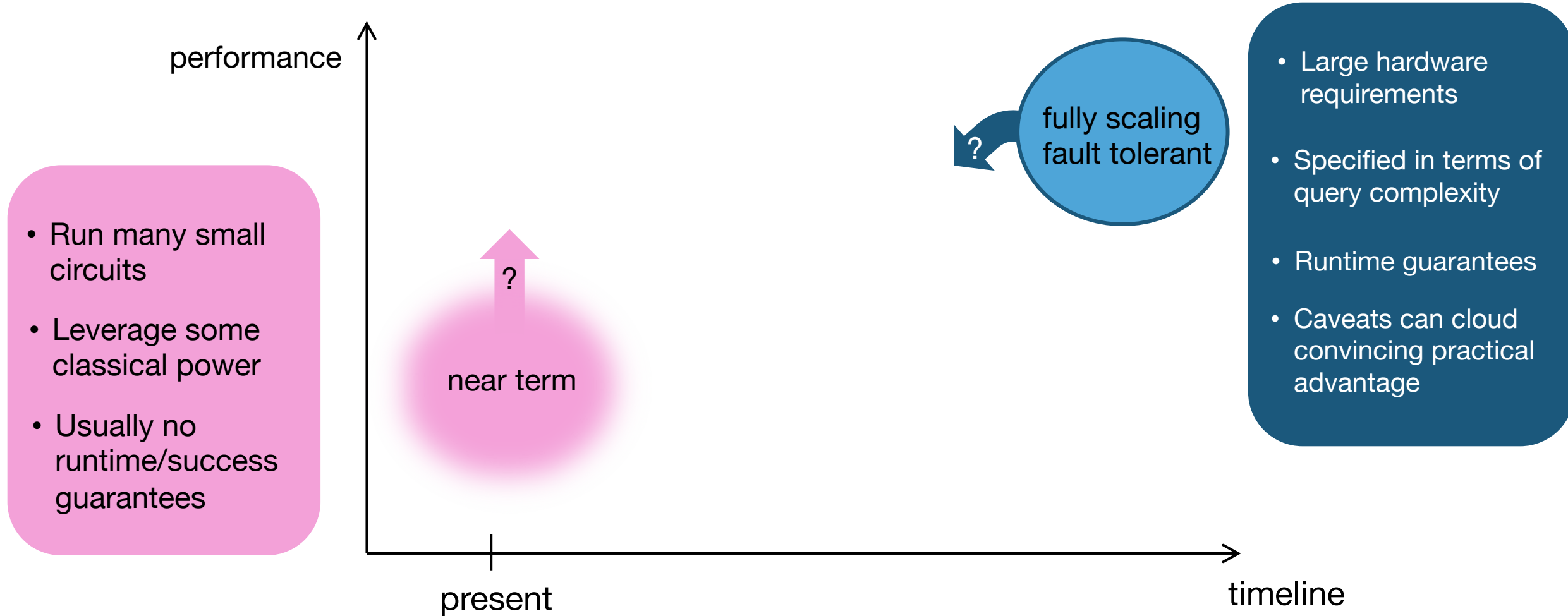
- Goal is to identify use cases / areas of applications with
  - large (super-quadratic) quantum speed-up
  - minimal quantum footprint, i.e., use classical whenever possible

# Regimes for quantum algorithm design

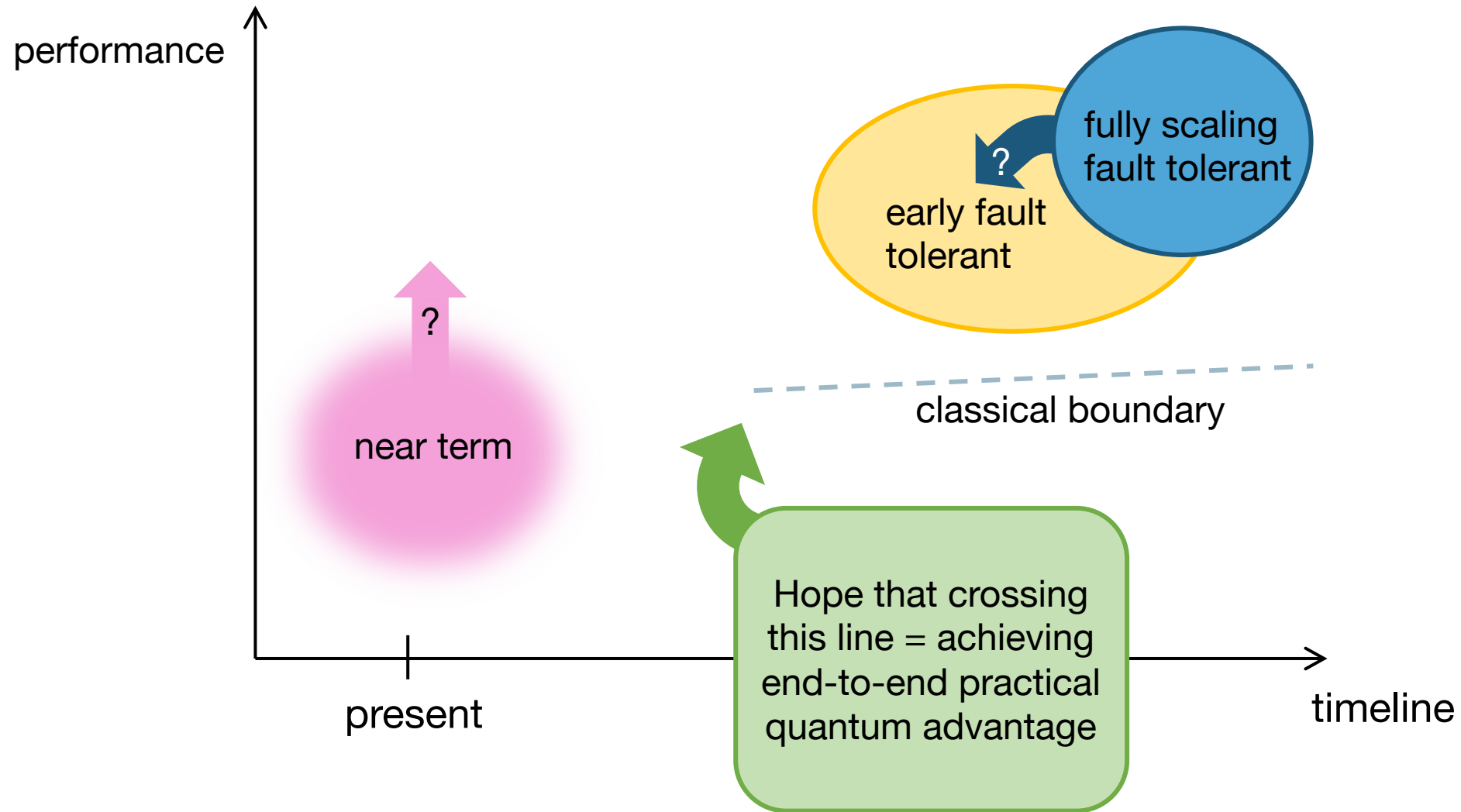
- Nascent state of quantum technologies gives **noisy and intermediate scale quantum (NISQ) computing**, i.e.,
  - NISQ analogue simulators, not universal, not fully programmable
  - NISQ digital quantum circuits, inbuilt noise resilience, error mitigation, severe scaling limitations, etc.
- For NISQ regime rigorous guarantees and scaling questions are challenging
- In contrast, fully quantum **error-corrected and scaling quantum computer**
- Any intermediate regimes of interest?



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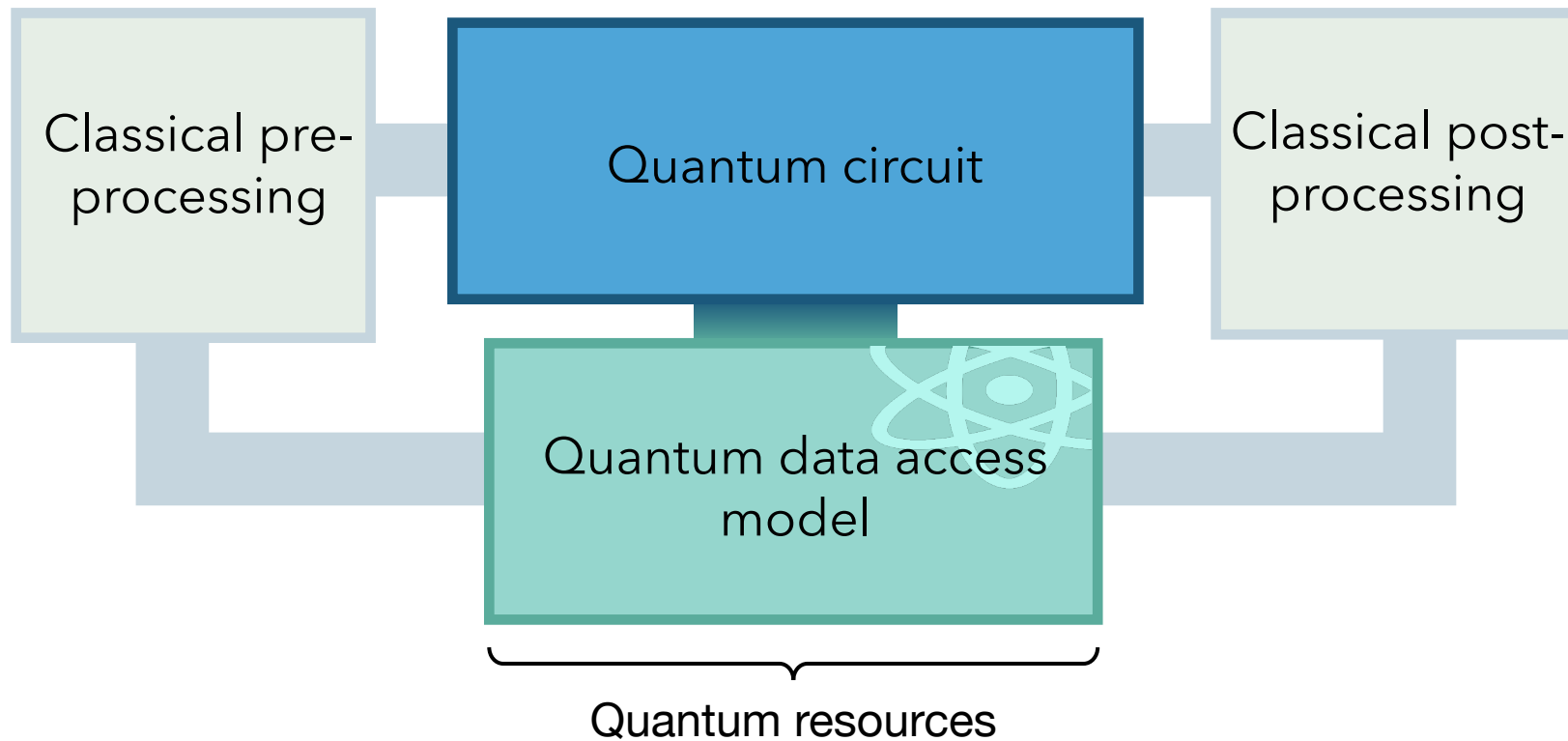


# Early fault-tolerance characteristics

- **Limited number of logical qubits**, slow quantum clock speed from error correction overhead
- Price of resources from most expensive to cheap:
  1. Number of qubits
  2. Depth of quantum circuits
  3. Sample complexity
  4. Classical pre- and post-processing
- Goal is **flexible trade-off between different resources**
- Stay with provable worst-case guarantees + add strong heuristic about average case performances

# Our work on early fault-tolerance

- Hybrid classical-quantum schemes with end-to-end complexity analysis



- Resource estimates for comparison with state-of-the-art classical methods

# Example I: Ground state energy estimation

Randomized quantum algorithm for statistical phase estimation  
QIP21, Physical Review Letters (2022) with Campbell and Wan

# Problem: Ground state energy estimation

- Given  $n$ -qubit Hamiltonian

$$H := \sum_{l=1}^L \alpha_l P_l \text{ with } P_l \text{ } n\text{-qubit Paulis}$$

and one-norm  $\lambda := \sum_{l=1}^L |\alpha_l|$ , together with efficiently preparable  $n$ -qubit ansatz state  $\rho$  with overlap

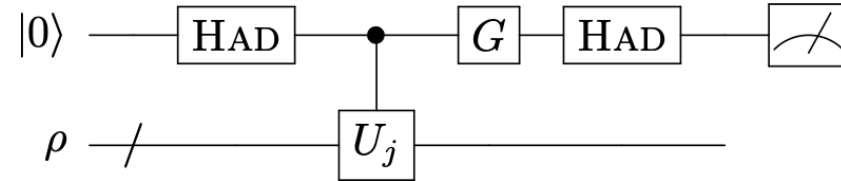
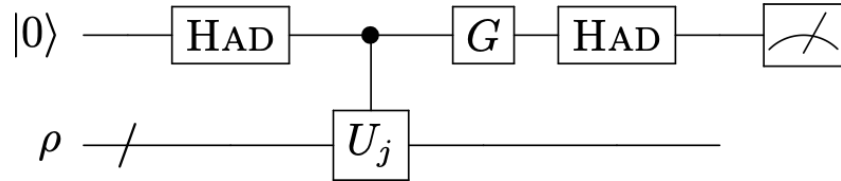
$$\langle \phi_0 | \rho | \phi_0 \rangle \geq \eta > 0$$

for ground state  $|\phi_0\rangle\langle\phi_0|$  with energy  $E_0$

- Goal: Compute estimate  $\tilde{E}_0$  with precision  $|\tilde{E}_0 - E_0| \leq \Delta$

# Early fault-tolerance approach

1. Minimize number of qubits needed – only one ancilla



2. Trade-off gate versus sample complexity
3. Decrease error by solely taking more samples
4. Independent of the number  $L$  of Pauli terms in  $H$  – instead, depending on one-norm  $\lambda \leq L$

# Algorithmic result: Quantum phase estimation

- Output  $\tilde{E}_0$  with  $|\tilde{E}_0 - E_0| \leq \Delta$  with probability  $1 - \xi$  by employing

$$C_{\text{sample}} = \tilde{O}(\eta^{-2}) \quad \left[ = o\left(\eta^{-2} \log^2(\lambda \Delta^{-1} \log(\eta^{-1})) \log(\xi^{-1} \log(\lambda \Delta^{-1}))\right) \right]$$

quantum circuits on  $n + 1$  qubits, each using one copy of  $\rho$  and

$$C_{\text{gate}} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2}) \quad \left[ = o(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2} \log^2(\eta^{-1})) \right]$$

single-qubit Pauli rotations  $\exp(i\theta P_l)$

- Plus: Clifford gates – generated by CNOT, H, and S (Pauli gates)



# Complexity quantum phase estimation

- $n$  qubit Hamiltonian,  $n + 1$  qubits with quantum complexities independent of  $L$ :

$$C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2}) \text{ for } C_{sample} = \tilde{O}(\eta^{-2})$$

- Randomized algorithm with classical pre- and post-processing
- Comparison state-of-the-art qubitization based approach:

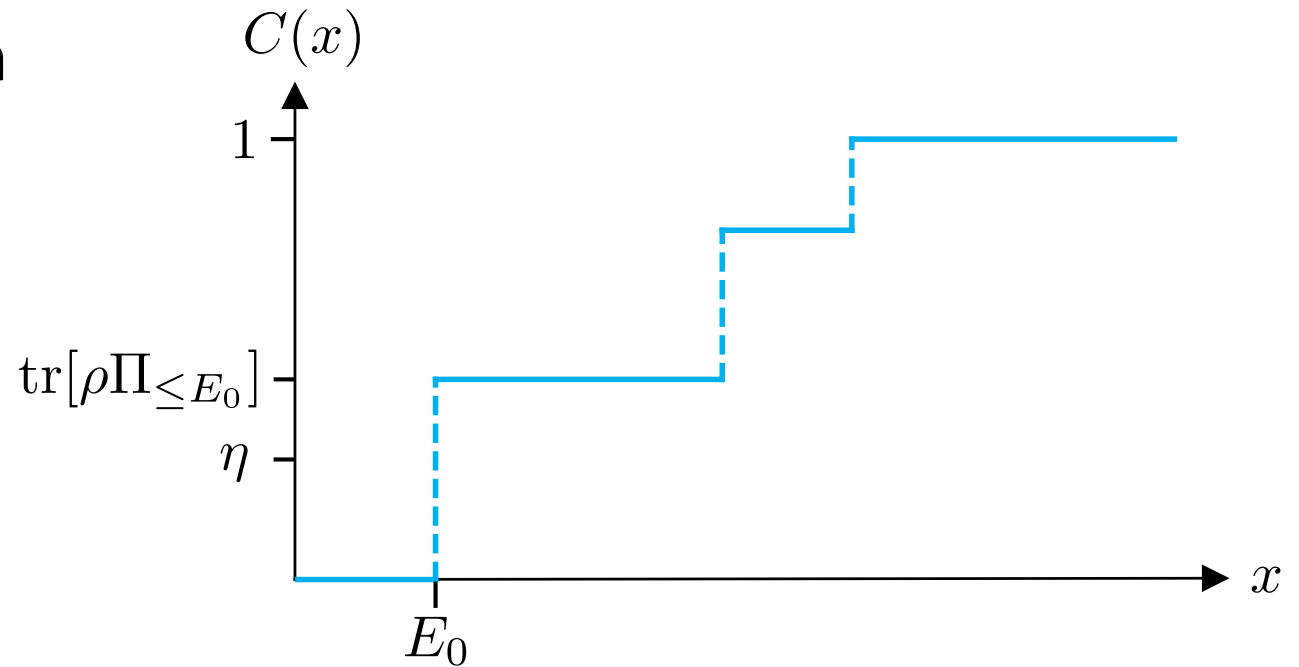
$$\text{Gate complexity } \tilde{O}(\sqrt{L} \lambda \Delta^{-1}) \text{ for } \tilde{O}(\sqrt{L}) \text{ qubits} \rightarrow \text{total } \tilde{O}(L \lambda \Delta^{-1})$$

# Basic idea

- Cumulative distribution function (CDF) relative to  $\rho$  is

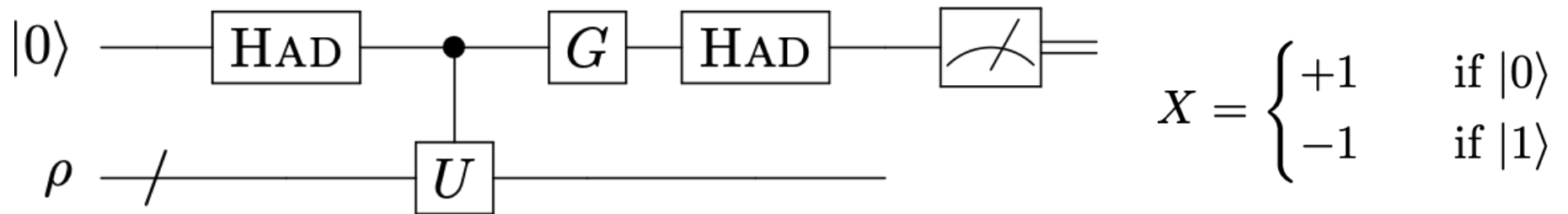
$$C(x) := \text{Tr}[\rho \Pi_{\leq x}]$$

- Evaluate  $C(x)$  from quantum routine?
- Task of eigenvalue thresholding
- Give ground state energy estimate  $\tilde{E}_0$  via binary search



# Workhorse A: Hadamard test

- Input:  $n$ -qubit state  $\rho$  together with  $n$ -qubit unitary  $U$
- Circuit:



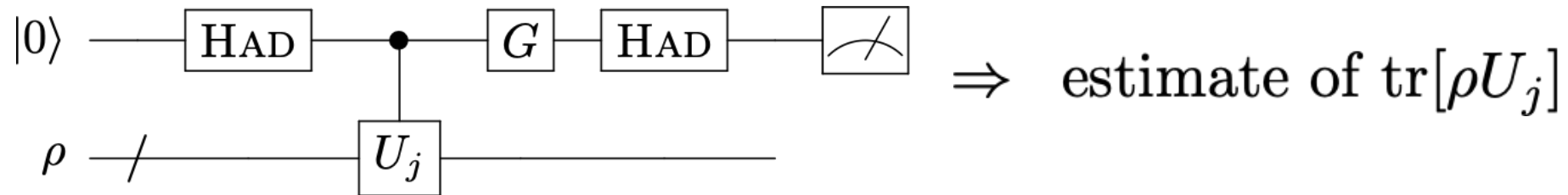
- Output: unbiased estimate of  $\text{Tr}[\rho U]$  from

$$G = I \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbb{E}[X] = \text{Re}(\text{tr}[\rho U])$$

$$G = S^\dagger \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbb{E}[X] = \text{Im}(\text{tr}[\rho U])$$

# Workhorse B: Importance sampling

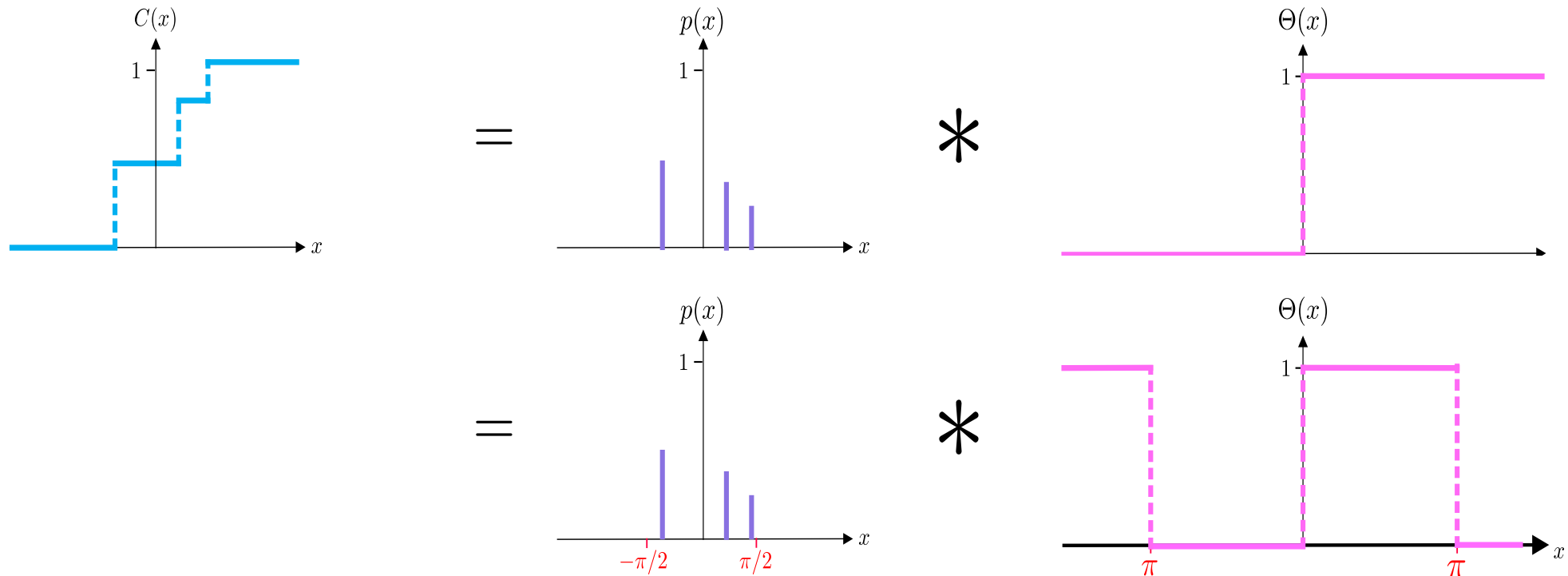
- Estimate linear combination  $\sum_j a_j \text{Tr}[\rho U_j]$  for unitaries  $U_j$  with  $a_j > 0$  and normalization  $A := \sum_j a_j$
- Sample  $j$  with probability  $a_j \cdot A^{-1}$  and perform Hadamard test on  $(\rho, U_j)$ :



- Take average of samples, number required is  $\lceil A^2 \sigma^{-2} \rceil$  for variance  $\sigma > 0$
- Expected gate complexity becomes  $A^{-1} \cdot \sum_j a_j \text{COST}(C - U_j)$

# Towards quantum implementation of CDF

- Normalize Hamiltonian with  $c \cdot \|H\|_\infty \leq c \cdot \lambda$  to put spectrum in  $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, +\frac{\pi}{2}\right]$
- CDF  $\mathcal{C}(x) \equiv \text{Tr}[\rho \Pi_{\leq x}] = (\Theta * p)(x)$  from convolution with Heaviside  $\Theta(x)$ :



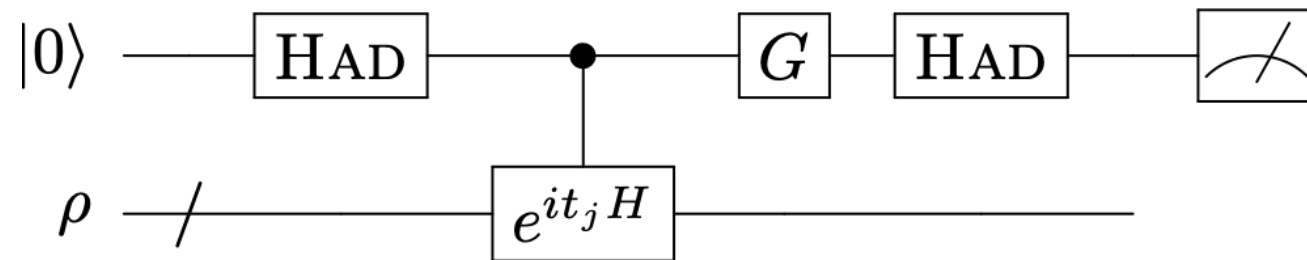
# CDF via Fourier series

- Replace Heaviside  $\Theta(x)$  by finite Fourier series  $F(x) := \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx}$
- Approximate CDF:

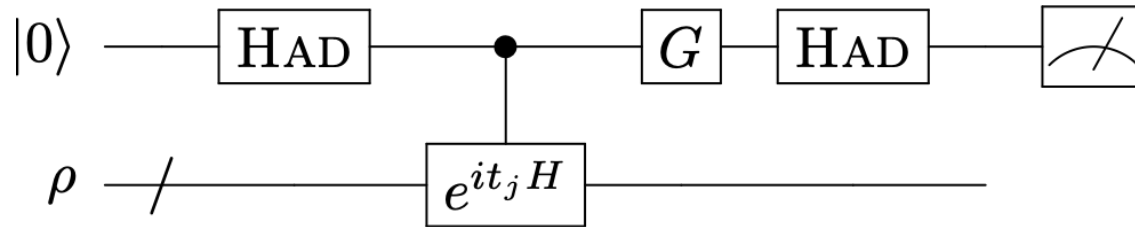
$$C(x) \approx (p * F)(x) = \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot \text{Tr}[\rho e^{it_j H}]$$

with runtimes  $t_j = j \times \text{normalization}$

- Hadamard test + importance sampling + Hamiltonian simulation:

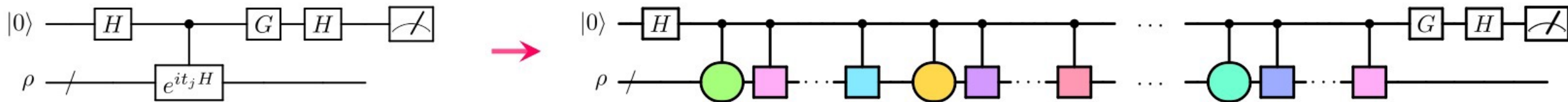


# Hadamard test on Fourier series



$$C(x) \approx \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot \text{Tr}[\rho e^{it_j H}]$$

- Implement Hamiltonian simulation unitary  $U_j = e^{it_j H}$  for  $H = \sum_{l=1}^L \alpha_l P_l$
- Independent of  $L$ ? Novel random compiler lemma for Hamiltonian simulation:

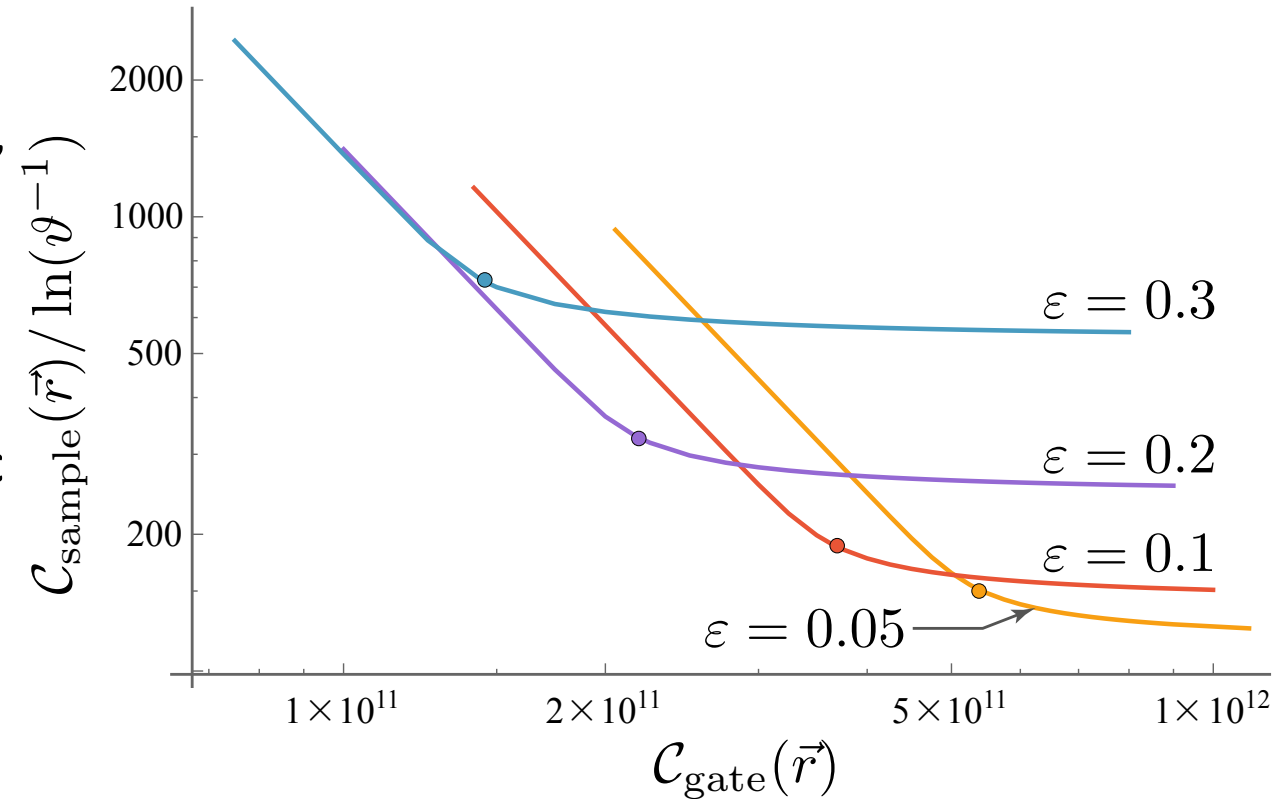


Versus previous random qDRIFT compiler:  
[Campbell, PRL (2019)]

# FeMoco benchmark – resource trade-offs

- Li et al. FeMoco Hamiltonian with 152 spin orbitals:  $152+1=$ **153 qubits**
- Chemical accuracy  $\Delta = 0.0016$  Hartree, one-norm  $\lambda = 1511$
- Gate complexity in single-qubit Pauli rotations  $e^{i\theta P_l}$
- Comparison: Qubitization with heuristic truncations

$$C_{gate} = 3.2 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ on 2196 qubits}$$






# Hydrogen chain benchmark – scaling

- For length  $N$  chain, one-norm estimate  $\lambda \approx O(N^{1.34})$
- Our work  $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{2.68}\Delta^{-2})$
- Qubitization based approaches:
  - A. rigorous  $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{3.34}\Delta^{-1})$
  - B. sparse method  $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{2.3}\Delta^{-1})$
  - C. tensor hypercontraction method  $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{2.1}\Delta^{-1})$
- Extensive properties  $\Delta \propto N$  interesting for our methods:  $C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(N^{0.68})$


# Example II: Linear algebra on classical data

Qubit-efficient randomized quantum algorithms for linear algebra  
QCTIP23, TQC23, arXiv:2302.01873 (2023) with McArdle and Wang

Data comes via  
classical description

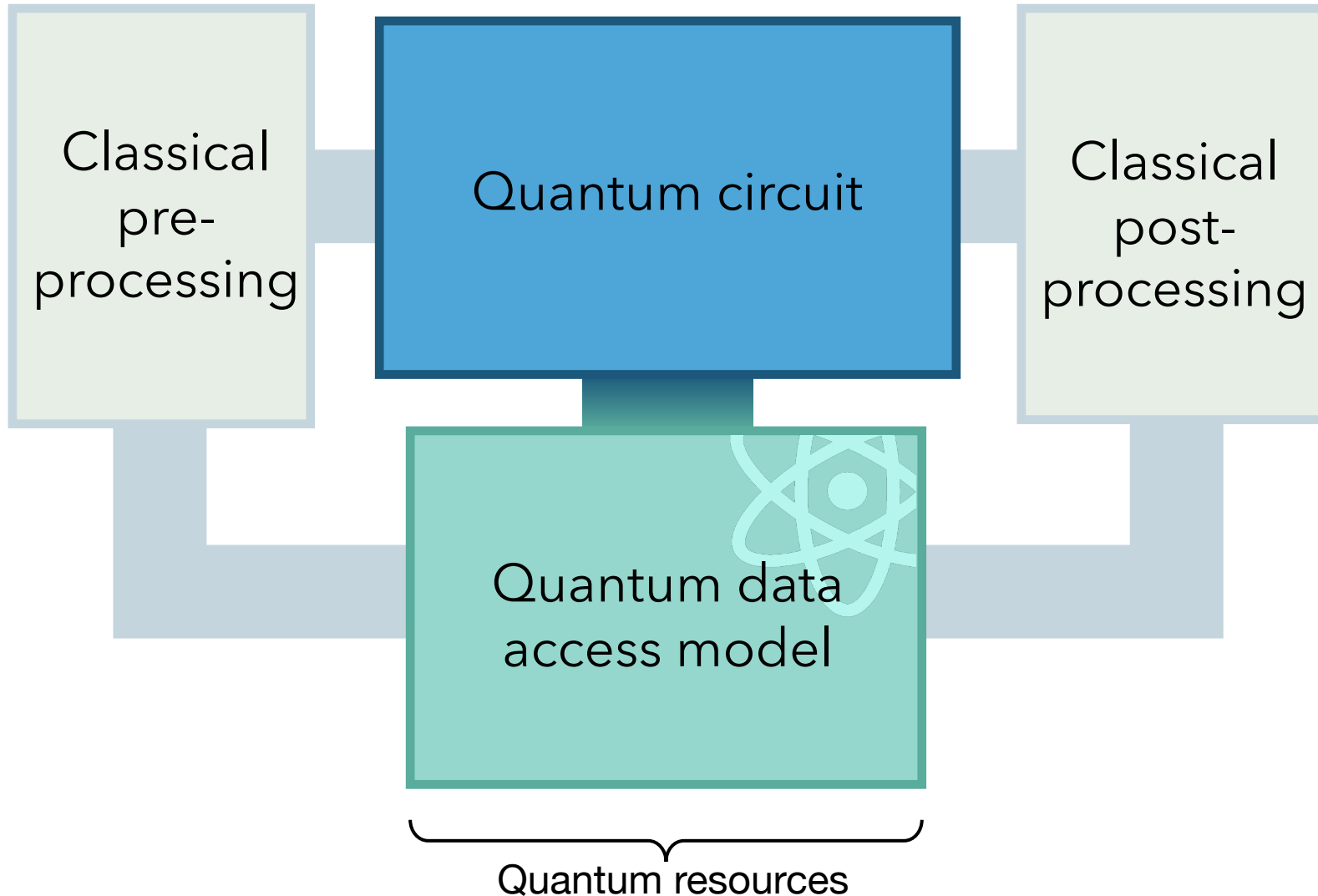


**"Early fault-tolerant algorithms for classical data"**



Hardware efficient  
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Provable guarantees

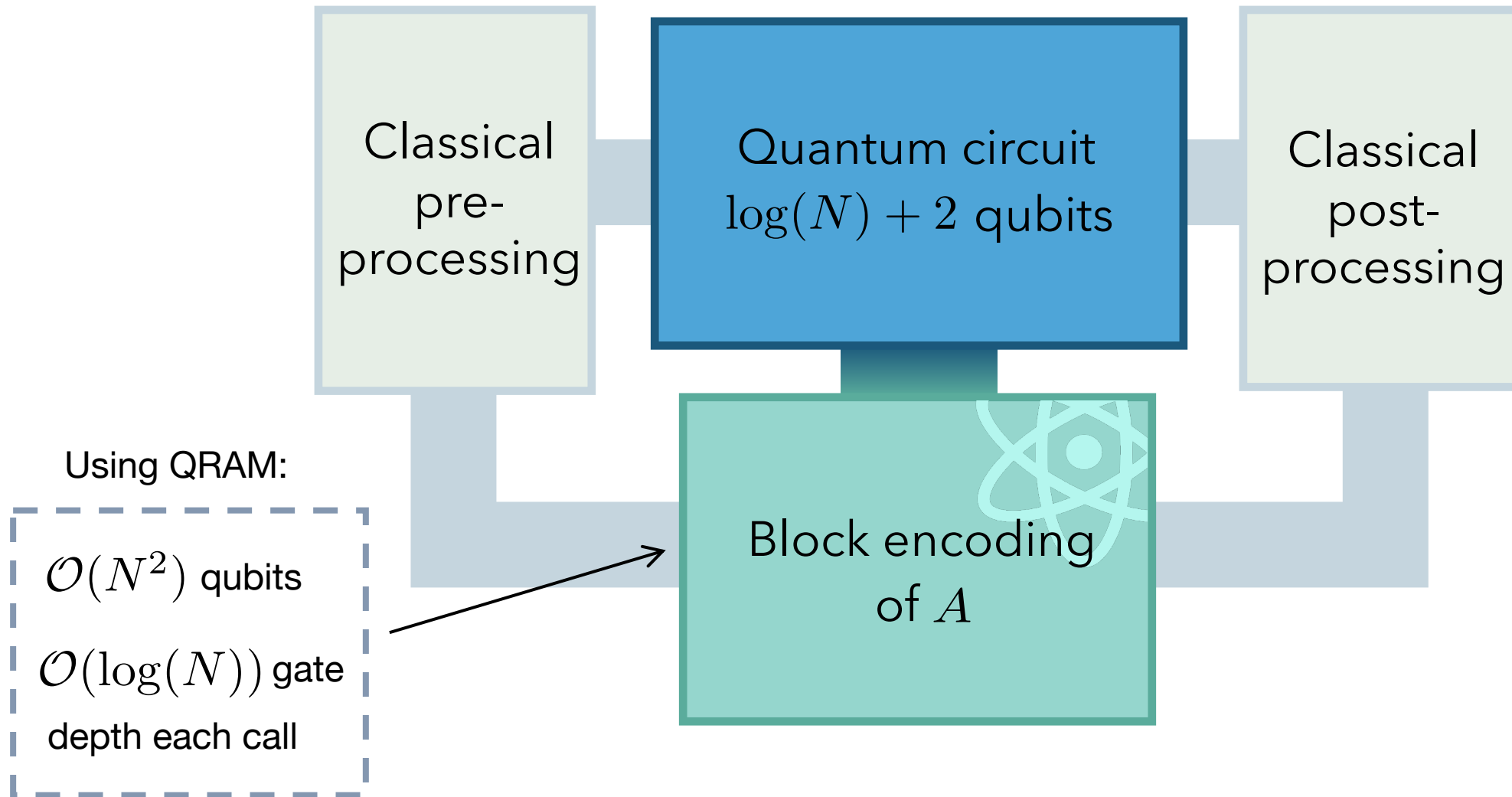
# Quantum algorithms for classical data



# Example task: Linear system of equations

- Task: Given  $N \times N$  complex matrix  $A$  and length  $N$  vector  $b$ , sample properties of length  $N$  solution vector  $x = A^{-1}b$
- Classical algorithms:
  - Gaussian elimination  $O(N^\omega)$  with  $\omega < 2.373$
  - Randomized  $O\left(s\kappa_F(A) \log \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)$  for  $\varepsilon$ -approximation with  $s = \text{row sparsity}$  and condition number  $\kappa_F(A) = \|A\|_F \cdot \|A^{-1}\|$
  - Dequantized  $\tilde{O}\left(\frac{\kappa_F^6(A)\kappa^2(A)}{\varepsilon^2}\right)$  for  $\varepsilon$ -approximation with  $\kappa(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|$
- Disclaimer: Condition number dependence  $\kappa(A), \kappa_F(A)$ ? Input model?

# Quantum linear system solver



# Quantum linear algebra setting

- Task (i): Given  $N \times N$  complex matrix  $A$ , a function  $f$ , and preparations for  $|\phi\rangle, |\psi\rangle$ , **sample from**

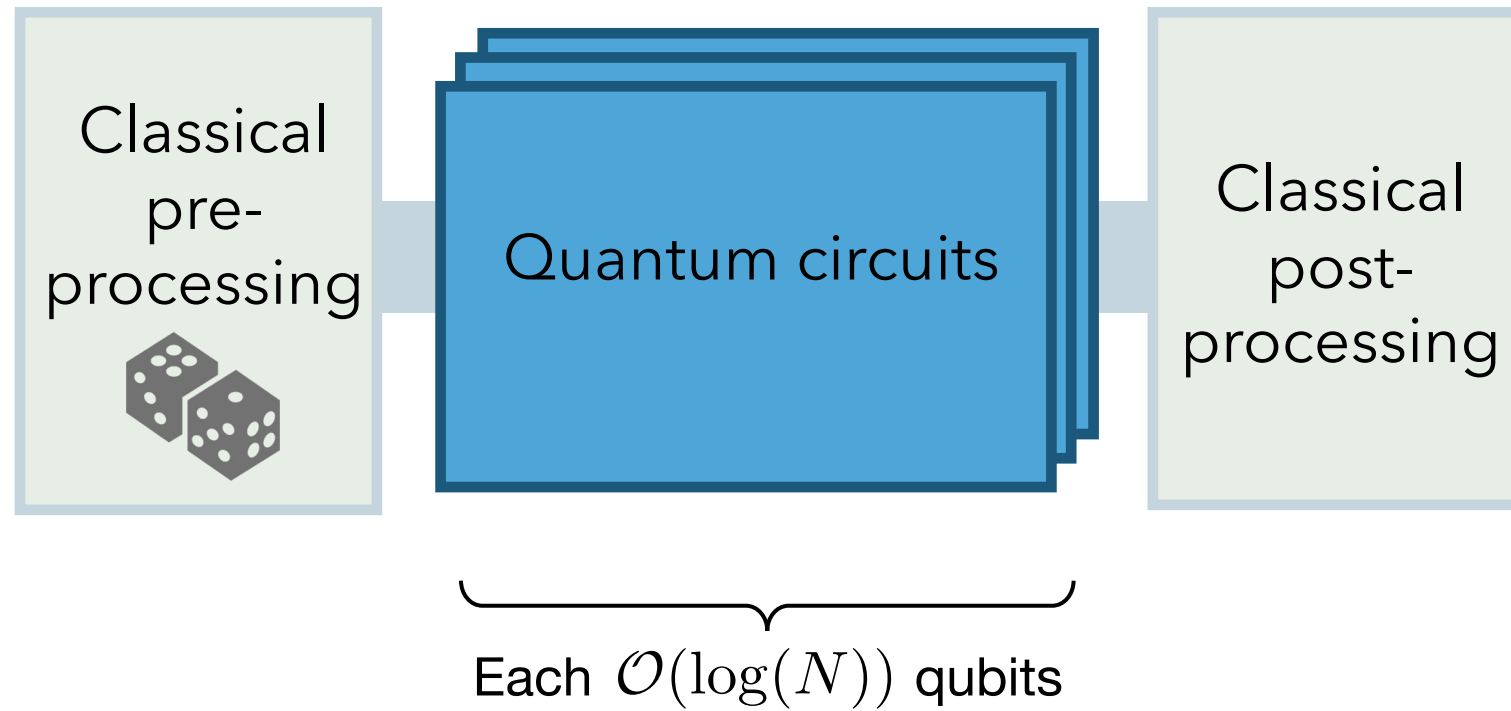
$$\langle \psi | f(A) | \phi \rangle$$

- Task (ii): Given  $N \times N$  complex matrix  $A$ , a function  $f$ , a preparation for  $|\phi\rangle$ , and an observable  $O$ , **sample from**

$$\text{Tr}[f(A)|\phi\rangle\langle\phi|f(A)^*O]$$

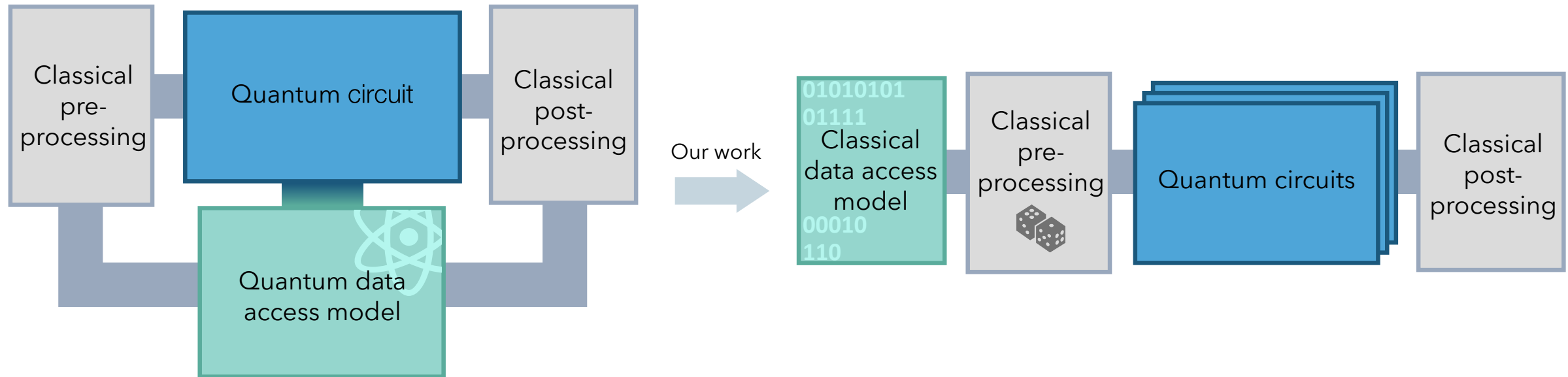
- Linear system solver corresponds to function  $f(x) = x^{-1}$
- Other functions of interest:  $\exp(ix), \exp(-x^2), \exp(x), \Theta(x), \dots$

# Idea I: Parallelize quantum sub-routines



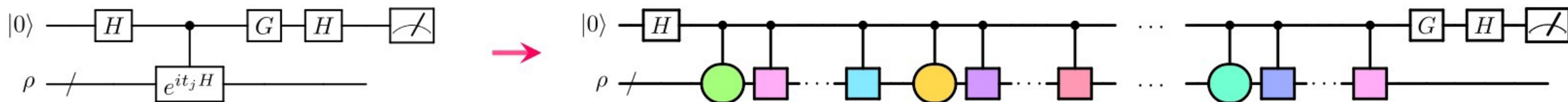


# Idea II: Classical instead of quantum access



# Classical access model

- Focus on  $N \times N$  matrices with given **Pauli decomposition**  $A = \sum_{l=1}^L a_l P_l$  and function some function  $f$ , **sample properties of  $f(A)$**
- Classical access model = ability to sample from  $\{a_l\}_l$  and known Pauli weight  $\lambda(A) = \sum_l |a_l|$
- Example:  $A = \text{Hamiltonian}$  NB:  $\lambda(A) \leq L \leq N^2$  but often even  $\lambda(A) = O(\log N)$
- Use Hadamard test and importance sampling, just now with Fourier series of function  $f$ !



# Quantum linear algebra result

Fourier approximation of  $f$

$$|f(x) - s(\varepsilon, D_A, x)| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \forall x \in D_A$$

$$s(\varepsilon, D_A, x) = \sum_{k \in F} \alpha_k(\varepsilon, D_A) \exp(it_k(\varepsilon, D_A)x)$$

Pauli decomposition of  $A$

$$\{a_l\}_l \text{ s.t. } A = \sum_l^L a_l P_l$$

$$\lambda = \sum_l^L |a_l|$$

Given  $|\phi\rangle, |\psi\rangle, O$

Sampling Alg.

1. ....
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(i) sample  $\langle\psi|f(A)|\phi\rangle$

(ii) sample  $\text{Tr}[f(A)|\phi\rangle\langle\phi|f(A)^*O]$

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Quantum  
circuits

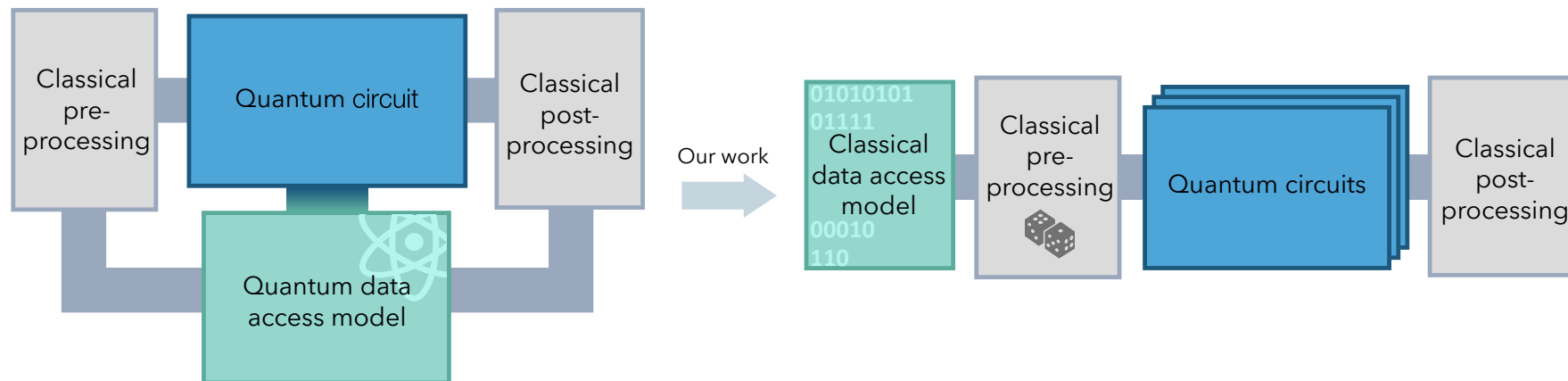
$\longleftrightarrow n_{\text{gates}} \longrightarrow$

$\} n_{\text{circuits}}$

# Complexities quantum linear system solver

- Task (i): Given  $N \times N$  complex matrix  $A = \sum_{l=1}^L a_l P_l$  in Pauli input model, and preparations for  $|\phi\rangle, |b\rangle$ , sample from  $\langle \phi | A^{-1} | b \rangle$
- Only use  $\log N + 2$  qubits in total!
- Flexible trade-off possible, one choice

$$n_{\text{gates}} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2(A) \cdot \|A^{-1}\|^2), n_{\text{circuits}} = \tilde{O}\left(\frac{\|A^{-1}\|^2}{\epsilon^2}\right) \text{ NB: often } \lambda(A) = O(\log N)$$



# Example III: Quantum state preparation

Quantum state preparation without coherent arithmetic  
arXiv:2210.14892 (2022) with McArdle, Gilyen

# Quantum state preparation problem

- Classical data not from table but generated via functions
- Given the function  $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , prepare the  $n$ -qubit quantum state

$$|\Psi_f\rangle := \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}_f} \cdot \sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} f(\bar{x}) |x\rangle$$

with uniform grid  $\bar{x} := a + \frac{x(b-a)}{2^n}$  and normalization  $\mathcal{N}_f := \sqrt{\sum_{\bar{x}} f(\bar{x})^2}$

- Important sub-routine in a variety of quantum algorithms, for different functions of interest
- Minimize number of ancilla qubits and quantum gates

# Standard approach(es)

- Amplitude oracle  $|x\rangle|0\rangle \mapsto |x\rangle|f(\bar{x})\rangle$  that prepares  $g$ -bit approximation of the values  $f(\bar{x})$
- Implemented via reversible computation, using piecewise polynomial approximation of the function  $f(x)$
- Alternatively, reading values stored in a quantum memory
- Downsides:
  - Handcrafted for every function + discretization of values of function
  - Large ancilla cost – **not suited for early fault-tolerant regime**
- Other approaches: Grover-Rudolph, adiabatic, repeat until success, matrix product states, etc. (similar bottlenecks)



# Quantum eigenvalue transformation (QET)

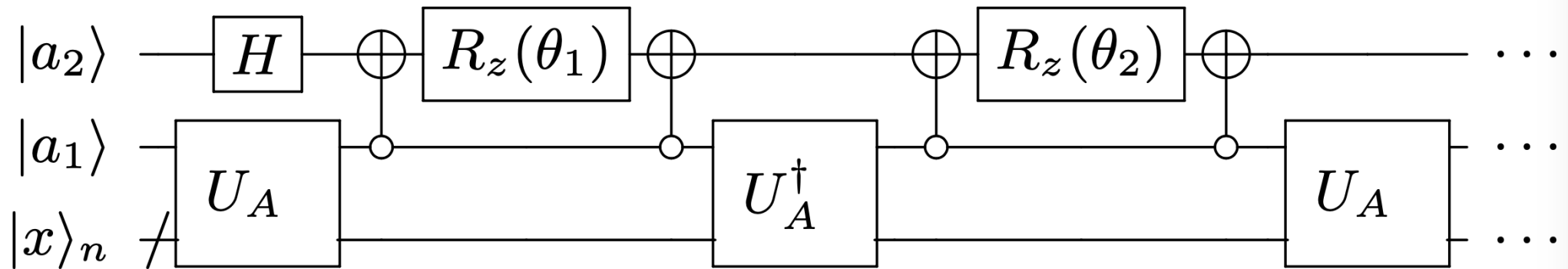
- Apply functions to the eigenvalues of a Hermitian matrix
- An  $(\alpha, m)$ -block encoding of an  $n$ -qubit Hermitian  $A$  is an  $(n + m)$ -qubit unitary  $U_A$  with

$$A = \alpha \cdot (\langle 0|^{\otimes m} \otimes 1_n) U_A (|0\rangle^{\otimes m} \otimes 1_n)$$

- Base functions are even degree  $d$  polynomials  
→ QET circuit output is block encoding  $U_{A^d}$  of the matrix  $A^d$
- Implementation cost:  
 $\frac{d}{2}$  applications of  $U$  and  $U^*$  each +  $O(d)$  other gates in between

# QET continued

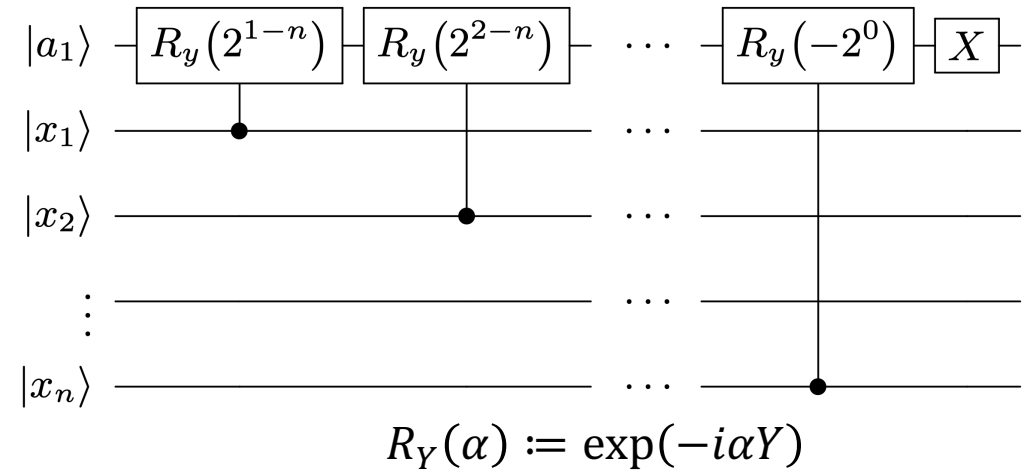
- Example circuit for even degree  $d$  polynomial and  $m = 1$ :



- Efficient classical pre-computation of angle set  $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_d\}$
- Odd polynomials, general functions via polynomial approximation, complexity given by degree of polynomial

# Main idea: State preparation via QET

- Create low-cost block encoding of  $A := \sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2^n}\right) |x\rangle\langle x|$  via  
 $= (1,1)$  block encoding



- Idea: Applying QET, convert this into block encoding of  $\sum_{x=0}^{2^n-1} f(\bar{x}) |x\rangle\langle x|$  using polynomial approximation of  $f((b-a)\arcsin(\cdot) + a)$
- Run circuits on input  $|x_1 \cdots x_n\rangle \otimes |0 \cdots 0\rangle_a = |+\rangle^{\otimes n} |0 \cdots 0\rangle_a$  and use **amplitude amplification** to maximize probability of  $|\Psi_f\rangle \otimes |0 \cdots 0\rangle_a$

# Quantum complexities

- For sufficiently smooth functions  $f$ , we can prepare a quantum state  $|\Psi_{\tilde{f}}\rangle$  that is  $\varepsilon$ -close in trace distance to  $|\Psi_f\rangle$  using

$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(\frac{n \log(\varepsilon^{-1})}{\mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[N]}}\right)$  gates + 4 ancilla qubits with discretized  $L_2$ -norm filling-fraction ( $N := 2^n$ )

$$\mathcal{F}_f^{[N]} := \frac{\sqrt{\frac{(b-a)}{N} \sum_{\bar{x}=0}^{N-1} |f(\bar{x})|^2}}{\sqrt{(b-a) |f|_{\max}^2}} \approx \frac{\sqrt{\int_a^b |f(\bar{x})|^2 d\bar{x}}}{\sqrt{(b-a) |f|_{\max}^2}} =: \mathcal{F}_f^{[\infty]}$$

- Show analytical results via minimax polynomial
- In practice use instead (works even better):
  - Remez approximation or even just Local Taylor series
  - $L_2$ -approximation on grid

# Analytical performance: Gaussians

- Example function  $f_\beta(x) := \exp\left(-\frac{\beta}{2}x^2\right)$
- For  $\varepsilon \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$  and  $0 \leq \beta \leq 2^n$  we can prepare the  $[-1,1]$  uniform grid Gaussian state on  $n$  qubits up to  $\varepsilon$ -precision with gate complexity

$$O\left(n \cdot \log^{\frac{5}{4}}\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)\right) + 3 \text{ ancilla qubits}$$

for  $\beta \geq \log\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right)$ .

- Note: All other approaches use hundreds of ancilla qubits

# Numerical benchmarking: $\tanh(x)$

- Example function  $\tanh(x)$  in the range  $x \in [0,1]$  on  $n = 32$  gives

Method	# Ancilla qubits	# Toffoli gates
QET (this work)	3	$9.7 \times 10^4$
Black-box state amplitude oracle	216	$6.9 \times 10^4$
Grover-Rudolph amplitude oracle	$> 959$	$> 2.0 \times 10^5$

- Cost are lower bounds minimizing gate count, based on state-of-the-art amplitude oracles (which could potentially be improved)
- Other methods give even higher costs

Conclusion / Outlook

# Quantum algorithms for early fault-tolerance

- Motto: Classical whenever possible, use as few qubits as possible
- Finding: Early fault-tolerant methods can even be competitive with state-of-the-art (non-qubit aware) schemes in terms of asymptotic complexities
- Needed: **More quantum resource counts for different applications, end-to-end complexity analyses**
- Guiding questions:
  - What quantum algorithms do we eventually want to run?
  - For what applications is the quantum footprint the smallest to become competitive with classical methods?

Thank you!



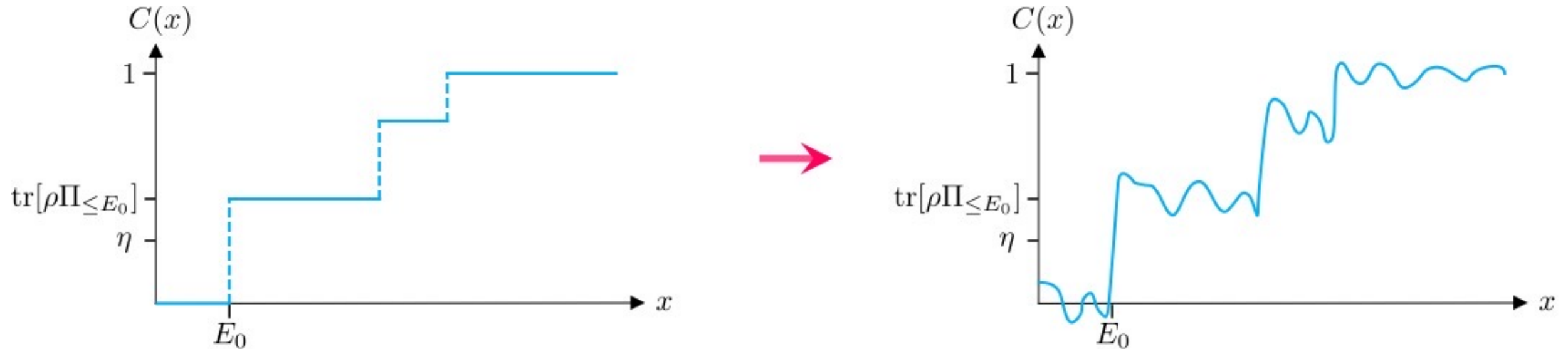
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QIP22, arXiv:2302.03394 (2023) with Chen, Dalzell, Brandão, Tropp

Extra content ground state energy

# Fourier series lemma (Heaviside function)



- Improved Fourier series approximation of Heaviside function
- Technical contribution:

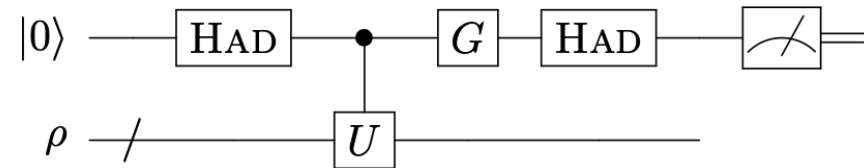
Gate complexity for precision  $\Delta > 0$  from  $O(\Delta^{-2} \log^2(\Delta^{-1}))$  to  $O(\Delta^{-2})$

# Random compiler lemma (Hamiltonian simulation)

- For  $e^{itH}$  with  $H = \sum_{l=1}^L \alpha_l P_l$ , we give linear combination of unitaries (LCU)  $e^{itH} = \sum_k b_k U_k$  such that:

I.  $\mu(r) := \sum_k b_k \leq \exp(t^2 r^{-1})$

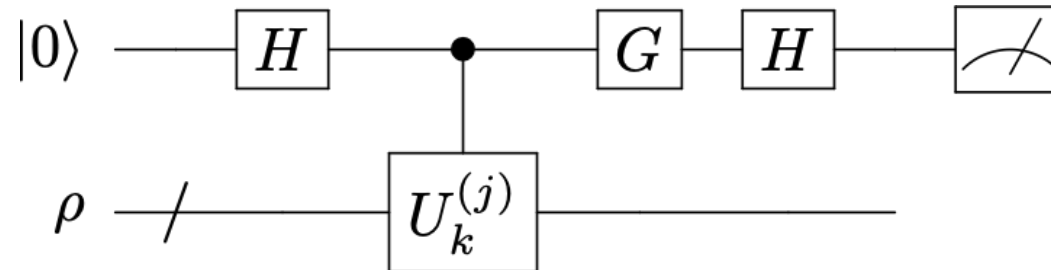
II.  $COST(C - U_k) = r$  controlled single qubit Pauli rotations  $\forall k$



- Gate complexity  $r$  versus sample complexity  $\exp(t^2 r^{-1})$
- Example:  $r = 2t^2 \rightarrow \mu \leq \sqrt{e}$  and  $COST(C - U_k) = 2t^2$
- Use this on:  $C(x) \approx \sum_{j \in S} \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot \text{Tr}[\rho e^{it_j H}]$

# Random compiler for CDF

- CDF  $C(x) \approx \sum_j \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} \cdot \text{Tr}[\rho e^{it_j H}]$  becomes  $C(x) \approx \sum_j \sum_k \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} b_k^{(j)} \text{Tr}[\rho U_k^{(j)}]$



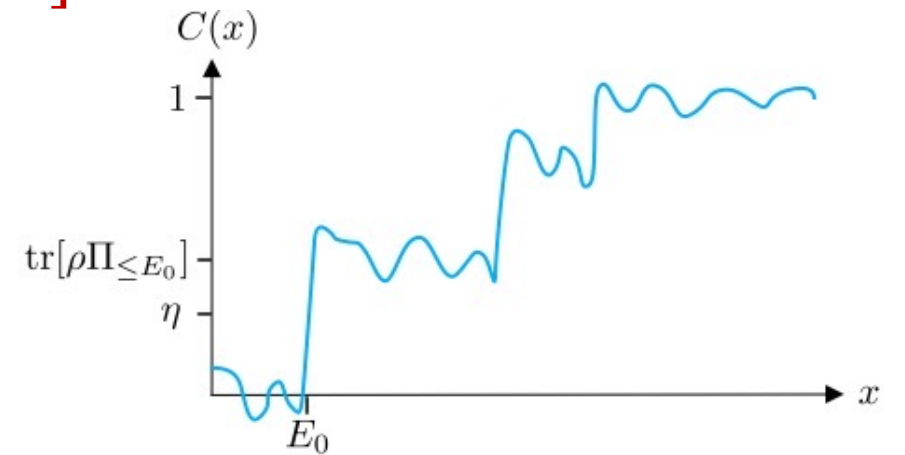
- $e^{it_j H} = \sum_k b_k^{(j)} U_k^{(j)}$  decomposition for runtime vector  $\vec{r} = (r_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}^{|S|}}$  as:

$$I. \quad \mu_j := \mu_j(r) := \sum_k b_k^{(j)} \leq \exp(t_j^2 r_j^{-1})$$

$$II. \quad \text{COST} \left( C - U_k^{(j)} \right) = r_j$$

# Putting things together

- CDF decomposition  $C(x) \approx \sum_j \sum_k \hat{F}_j e^{ijx} b_k^{(j)} \text{Tr} [\rho U_k^{(j)}]$
- $C_{gate} = (\sum_{i \in S} |\hat{F}_i| \mu_i)^{-1} \cdot (\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_j| \mu_j r_j)$
- $C_{sample} \propto (\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_j| \mu_j)^2$
- As  $\mu_j \leq e^{t_j^2 r_j^{-1}}$  choosing  $r_j = 2t_j^2 \forall j$  gives  $\mu_j \leq \sqrt{e}$ :

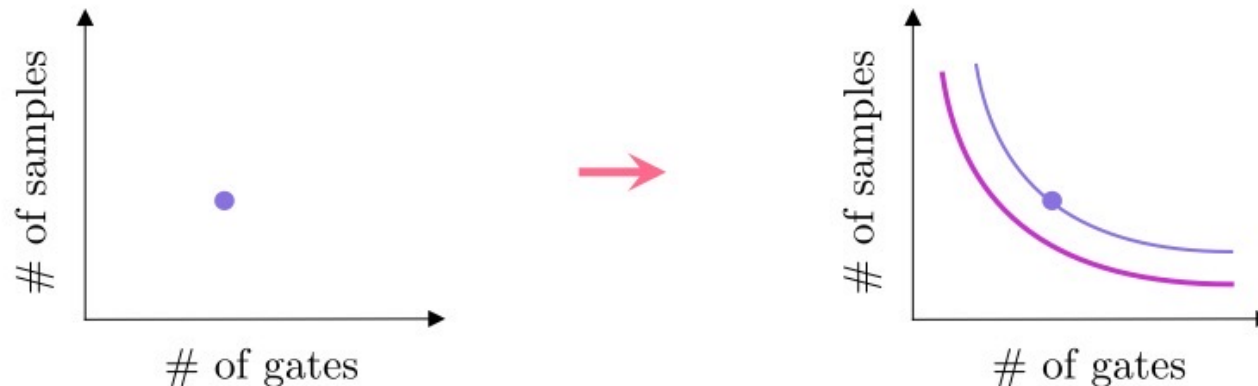


$$C_{gate} \propto (\sum_{i \in S} |\hat{F}_i|)^{-1} (\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_j| j^2) \rightarrow C_{gate} = \tilde{O}(\lambda^2 \Delta^{-2})$$

$$C_{sample} \propto (\sum_{j \in S} |\hat{F}_j|)^2 \rightarrow C_{sample} = \tilde{O}(\eta^{-2})$$

# Finite size numerical analysis

- Asymptotic complexity from fixed runtime vector  $\vec{r}$  with  $r_j = 2t_j^2 \ \forall j \in S$
- Optimize  $\vec{r}$  to minimize  $C_{gate}$ ,  $C_{sample}$ , or  $C_{gate} \cdot C_{sample}$  for different settings?
- High-dimensional optimization problem, technical contribution: approximate dimension reduction that allows for **efficient classical pre-processing**
- Leads to flexible resource trade-offs:

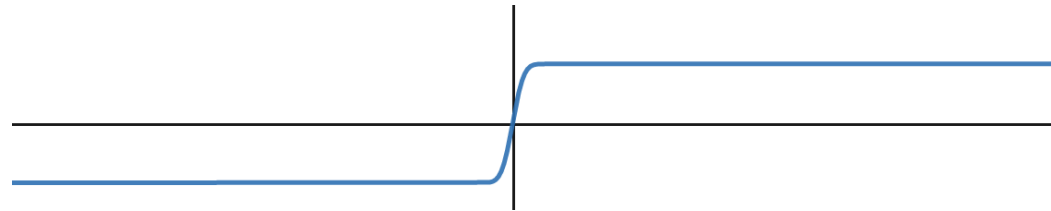




# Extra: Proof Fourier series lemma

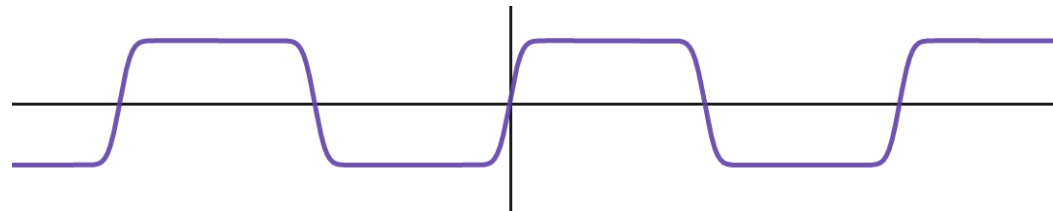
- Rigorous argument via truncated Chebyshev series of rescaled error function:

$$\operatorname{erf}(\beta y) = 2\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\beta y} e^{-t^2} dt \approx \sum_k c_k T_k(y)$$



- Fourier series:  $\Theta(x) \approx \operatorname{erf}(\beta \sin(x)) \approx \sum_k c_k T_k\left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x\right)\right)$

using  $T_k(\cos(\cdot)) = \cos(k(\cdot))$

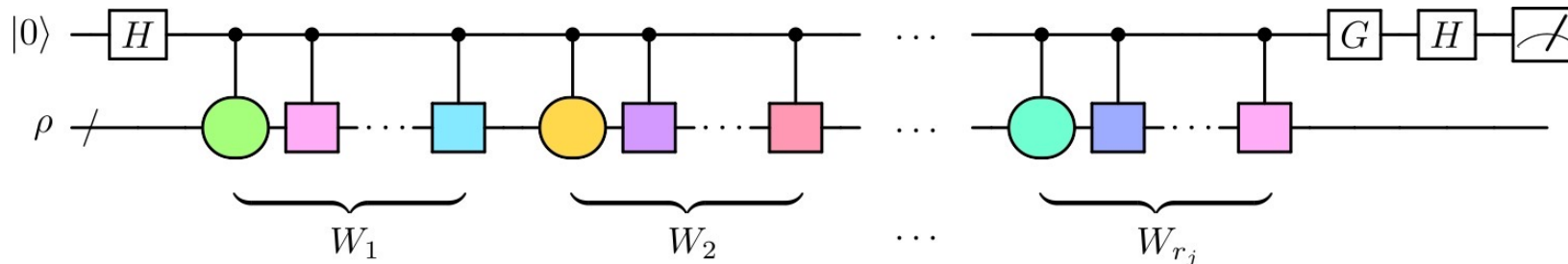


# Extra: Proof random compiler lemma

- For  $H = \sum_{l=1}^L \alpha_l P_l$  and  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $e^{iHt} = \left(e^{iHtr^{-1}}\right)^r = (\mathbf{1} + itr^{-1}H + \dots)^r$

$$\mathbf{1} + itr^{-1}H = \sum_{l=1}^L p_l (1 + itr^{-1}P_l) \propto \sum_{l=1}^L p_l e^{i\theta P_l} \text{ for } \theta = \arccos\left(\sqrt{1 + t^2 r^{-2}}\right)$$

- Similarly handle higher order terms – contain Paulis as well
- To sample  $U_k$  from  $e^{iHt} = \sum_k b_k U_k$ : independently sample  $r$  unitaries  $W_1, \dots, W_r$  from decomposition of  $e^{iHtr^{-1}}$  and implement product



# Extra: qDRIFT comparison

[Campbell, PRL (2019)]

- qDRIFT **approximates quantum channel**

$$\rho \mapsto e^{iHt} \rho e^{-iHt} \text{ for } H = \sum_{l=1}^L p_l P_l \text{ (normalized)}$$

by sampling  $r$  Paulis  $P_{l_1}, \dots, P_{l_r}$  independently with  $\Pr[P_l] = p_l$  and putting

$$V := e^{itr^{-1}P_{l_1}} \dots e^{itr^{-1}P_{l_r}}$$



- qDRIFT compilation **error can only be suppressed by increasing gate count  $r$**
- Our random compiler: approximates unitary  $U = e^{iHt}$  and compilation error can be suppressed arbitrarily by simply taking more samples

Extra content linear algebra

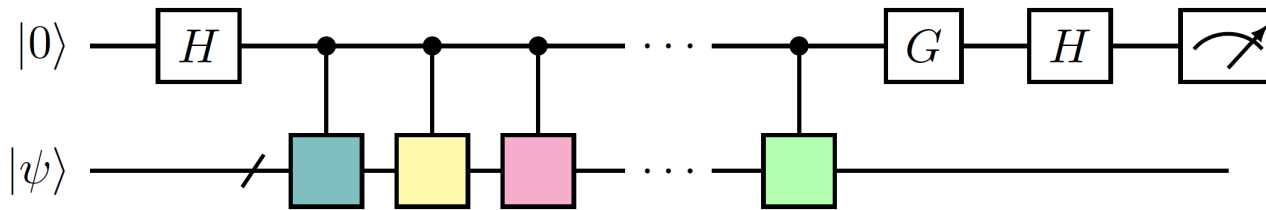
# Sampling algorithm for (i)

$s(A) \approx f(A) \rightarrow$  Decompose into linear combination of strings of gates composed of  $n_{gates}$  gates

For  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n_{circuits}$  :

Sample one string of gates : (     $\dots$   )

 = Pauli gate + Pauli rotation



Run circuit, obtain single measurement statistic  $O_m$

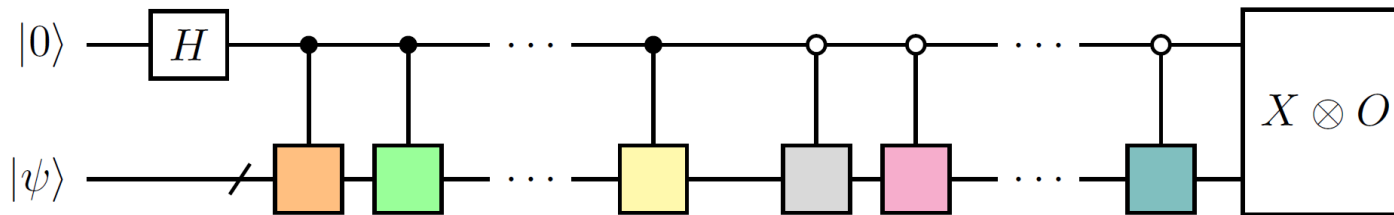
Multiply  $O_m$  by “weight” of linear combination. Record.

Average over  $m \rightarrow$  Get answer  $\approx \langle \psi | s(A) | \psi \rangle \approx \langle \psi | f(A) | \psi \rangle$

# Sampling algorithm for (ii)

For  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n_{\text{circuits}}$  :

Sample **two** strings of gates  $(\text{orange} \text{ green} \dots \text{yellow})$  ,  $(\text{gray} \text{ pink} \dots \text{teal})$



Run circuit, obtain single measurement statistic  $O_m$

Multiply  $O_m$  by “weight” of linear combination. Record.

Average over  $m \rightarrow$  Get answer  $\approx \langle \psi | s(A)^\dagger O s(A) | \psi \rangle \approx \langle \psi | f(A)^\dagger O f(A) | \psi \rangle$

# Linear Systems

Given  $N \times N$  matrix  $A$  and state  $|\vec{b}\rangle$ , with probability at least  $1 - \delta$

prepare  $\langle \psi | A^{-1} |\vec{b}\rangle$

prepare  $\langle \vec{b} | (A^{-1})^\dagger O A^{-1} |\vec{b}\rangle$

- Qubit count:  $\log(N) + 1$  (Hermitian),  $\log(N) + 2$  (general)
- Number of quantum circuits:

$$n_{\text{circuits}} = \tilde{O} \left( \log \left( \frac{2}{\delta} \right) \frac{\kappa^2}{\|A\|^2} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \right), \quad \tilde{O} \left( \log \left( \frac{2}{\delta} \right) \frac{\kappa^4}{\|A\|^4} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \right)$$

- Number of (non-Clifford) gates:  $n_{\text{gates}} = \tilde{O} \left( \lambda^2 \frac{\kappa^2}{\|A\|^2} \log^2(1/\varepsilon) \right)$

Extra content state preparation



# Main result complexities

- Discretized  $L_2$ -norm filling-fraction ( $N := 2^n$ ) as

$$\mathcal{F}_f^{[N]} := \frac{\sqrt{\frac{(b-a)}{N} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |f(\bar{x})|^2}}{\sqrt{(b-a) |f|_{\max}^2}} \approx \frac{\sqrt{\int_a^b |f(\bar{x})|^2 d\bar{x}}}{\sqrt{(b-a) |f|_{\max}^2}} =: \mathcal{F}_f^{[\infty]}$$

- **Theorem I:** Given a degree  $d_\delta$  polynomial approximation  $\tilde{f}$  of  $f^{(*)}$  we can prepare a quantum state  $|\Psi_{\tilde{f}}\rangle$  that is  $\varepsilon$ -close in trace distance to  $|\Psi_f\rangle$  using  $O\left(\frac{nd_\delta}{\mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[N]}}\right)$  gates + 4 ancilla qubits, for  $\delta = \varepsilon \min\{\mathcal{F}_f^{[N]}, \mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[N]}\}$ .

(\*) when  $\tilde{f}(\cdot)$  applied to  $\sin\left(\frac{x}{N}\right)$  approximates  $\frac{f(\bar{x})}{|f|_{\max}}$  to  $L_\infty$ -error on  $[a, b]$

# Main result complexities simplified

- **Theorem II:** For sufficiently smooth functions  $f,^{(*)}$  we can prepare a quantum state  $|\Psi_{\tilde{f}}\rangle$  that is  $\varepsilon$ -close in trace distance to  $|\Psi_f\rangle$  using

$$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}\left(\frac{n \log(\varepsilon^{-1})}{\mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[N]}}\right) \text{ gates} + 4 \text{ ancilla qubits.}$$

(\*) need  $L_\infty$ -approximation  $\delta \propto \exp(-d_\delta)$  for degree  $d_\delta$  polynomial

- Show analytical results via minimax polynomial
- In practice use instead (works even better):
  - Remez approximation or even just Local Taylor series
  - $L_2$ -approximation on grid

# Complexity comparison literature

	# Non-Clifford gates	# Ancilla qubits	Rigorous error bounds	Function
QET (this work)	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{nd_\epsilon}{\mathcal{F}_f^{[N]}}\right)$	4	✓	Polynomial/Fourier approximation
Black-box amplitude oracle	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{g_\epsilon^2 \tilde{d}_\epsilon}{\mathcal{F}_f^{[N]}}\right)$	$\mathcal{O}(g_\epsilon \tilde{d}_\epsilon)$	✓	General
Grover-Rudolph amplitude oracle	$\mathcal{O}(ng_\epsilon^2 \tilde{d}_\epsilon)$	$\mathcal{O}(g_\epsilon \tilde{d}_\epsilon)$	✓	Efficiently integrable probability distribution
Adiabatic amplitude oracle	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{g_\epsilon^2 \tilde{d}_\epsilon}{(\mathcal{F}_f^{[N]})^4 \epsilon^2}\right)$	$\mathcal{O}(g_\epsilon \tilde{d}_\epsilon)$	✓	General
Matrix product state	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	0	✗	Matrix product state $d = 2$ approximation

Note:  $g_\epsilon$ -bit amplitude oracles with degree  $\tilde{d}_\epsilon$  piecewise polynomial approximation ( $\tilde{d}_\epsilon \neq d_\epsilon$  in general)

# Outlook

- Introduced **versatile method for preparing a quantum state** whose amplitudes are given by some known function
- Based on the QET, **orders of magnitude savings in ancilla qubits**
- Needed: More detailed practical resource estimates, more functions
- Open questions:
  - Example square root function  $\sqrt{\bar{x}}$  for  $\bar{x} \in [0,1]$ , non-differentiable at  $\bar{x} = 0$   
→ use  $\sqrt{\bar{x} + a}$  instead?
  - Multivariate functions via multivariate QET?

Thank you.

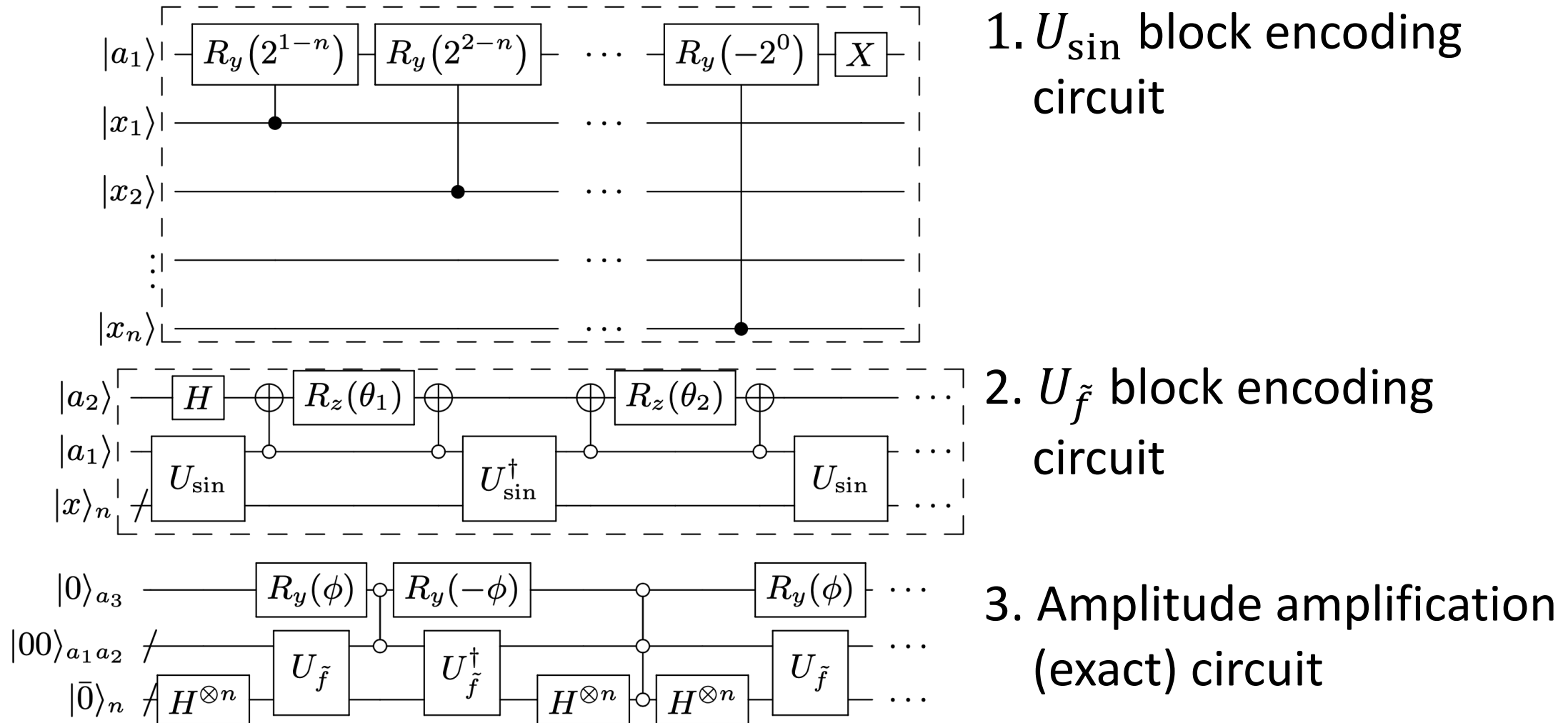
# Algorithm: Setup

- Treat special case:  $a = -1, b = 1$ , with function  $f(x) = f(-x)$
- Goal: Prepare the  $n$ -qubit quantum state

$$|\Psi_f\rangle = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}_f} \cdot \sum_{x=-N/2}^{N/2-1} f(\bar{x})|x\rangle \text{ with } \bar{x} = \frac{2x}{N}, \text{ and } \mathcal{N}_f = \sqrt{\sum_{\bar{x}} f(\bar{x})}$$

1. Start with block encoding of  $A = \sum_{x=-N/2}^{N/2-1} \sin\left(\frac{2x}{N}\right)|x\rangle\langle x|$
  2. QET to convert into block encoding of  $\sum_{x=-N/2}^{N/2-1} f(\bar{x})|x\rangle\langle x|$
  3.  $O\left(1/\mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[N]}\right)$  rounds of exact amplitude amplification (extra ancilla)
- Need to start with (extensive) classical pre-processing!

# Algorithm: Quantum circuits



# Algorithm: Classical pre-computation

- Compute polynomial  $h(y)$  such that

$$|h(y)|_{\max}^{y \in [-1,1]} \leq 1 \text{ and } \left| h(\sin(y)) - \frac{f(y)}{|f(y)|_{\max}^{y \in [-1,1]}} \right|_{\max}^{y \in [-1,1]} \leq \delta$$

leading to approximation  $\tilde{f}(x) := h(\sin(\bar{x}))$

(Remez algorithm / local Taylor series /  $L_2$ -approximation on grid / ...)

- Compute discretized  $L_2$ -norm filling-fraction  $\mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[N]} \approx \mathcal{F}_{\tilde{f}}^{[\infty]}$  of  $\tilde{f}(x)$

(choose depending on how large  $N = 2^n$  is)

- Compute QET angle set  $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_d\}$  of polynomial  $\tilde{f}(x)$

(analytically good Haah method or numerically good Dong *et al.* method)

# Extension: Non-smooth functions

- First approach: Use coherent inequality test with flag qubit for piecewise QET polynomial implementation  
→ for  $k$  discontinuities this requires  $(k + n)$  ancilla qubits and  $2kn$  Toffoli gates for the inequality comparison
- Second approach: Example triangle function for  $\bar{x} \in [0,1]$

$$f(\bar{x}) = \begin{cases} \bar{x} & 0 \leq \bar{x} \leq 1/3 \\ \frac{1}{2}(1 - \bar{x}) & 1/3 < \bar{x} \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{instead use} \quad \bar{f}(\bar{x}) = \begin{cases} \bar{x} & 0 \leq \bar{x} \leq \frac{1}{3} \\ \text{Unspecified} & \frac{1}{3} < \bar{x} < 2 \\ \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{7}{3} - \bar{x}\right) & 2 \leq \bar{x} \leq \frac{7}{3} \end{cases}$$

- use coherent inequality test to flip for  $\bar{x} > \frac{1}{3}$  and in the end reverse this inequality check



# Extension: Fourier based QET

- Block-encoding of  $A$  is replaced by controlled time evolution

$$V(A) := |0\rangle\langle 0| \otimes 1 + |1\rangle\langle 1| \otimes \exp(iAt)$$

- **Fourier-based QET uses calls to  $V(A)$ , together with single-qubit-rotations, to apply a function  $f(\cdot)$  in Fourier series form to  $A$**
- We can implement  $V(A)$  for diagonal  $A = \sum_x \bar{x}|x\rangle\langle x|$  using  $n$  controlled  $Z$ -rotations
- Example with compact Fourier series: Cycloid function  
→  $n = 32$  for  $\bar{x} \in [0, 2\pi]$ , gives  $7.35 \times 10^5$  Toffoli gates  
+ 3 ancillas qubits



From wikipedia