

Quantum Computing for Transport and Energy Correlators

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InQubator for Quantum Simulation

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Real-Time Correlators

- **Definition**

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1(t_1) \mathcal{O}_2(t_2) \cdots \mathcal{O}_n(t_n) \rangle_T$$

$T = 0$, vacuum

$T \neq 0$, thermal

1. Time-ordered: e.g. in perturbation theory
2. Schwinger-Keldysh contour: out-of-equilibrium dynamics
3. Out-of-time-ordered (OTOC)

- **Contain useful physics information**

Parton distribution function

Jet/soft function in jet physics

Energy-energy correlators

Transport coefficients

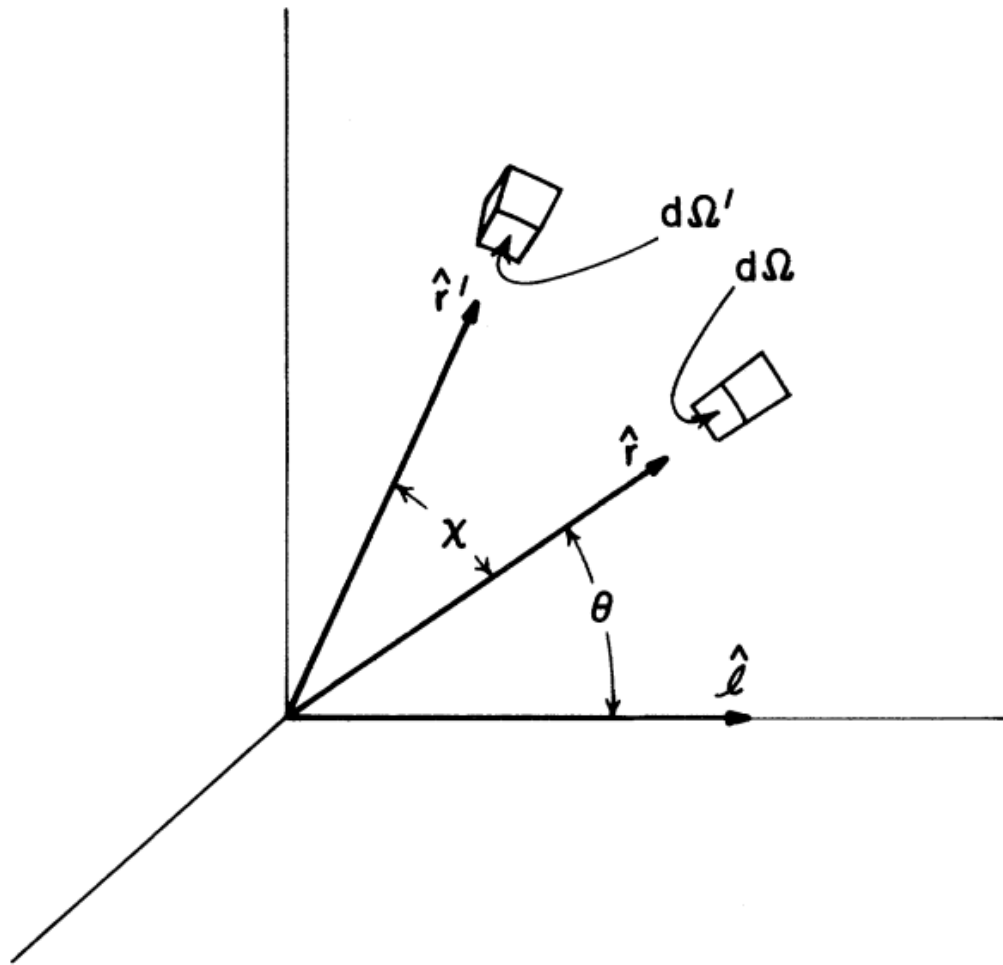
Quantum chaos

And more

Energy Correlators

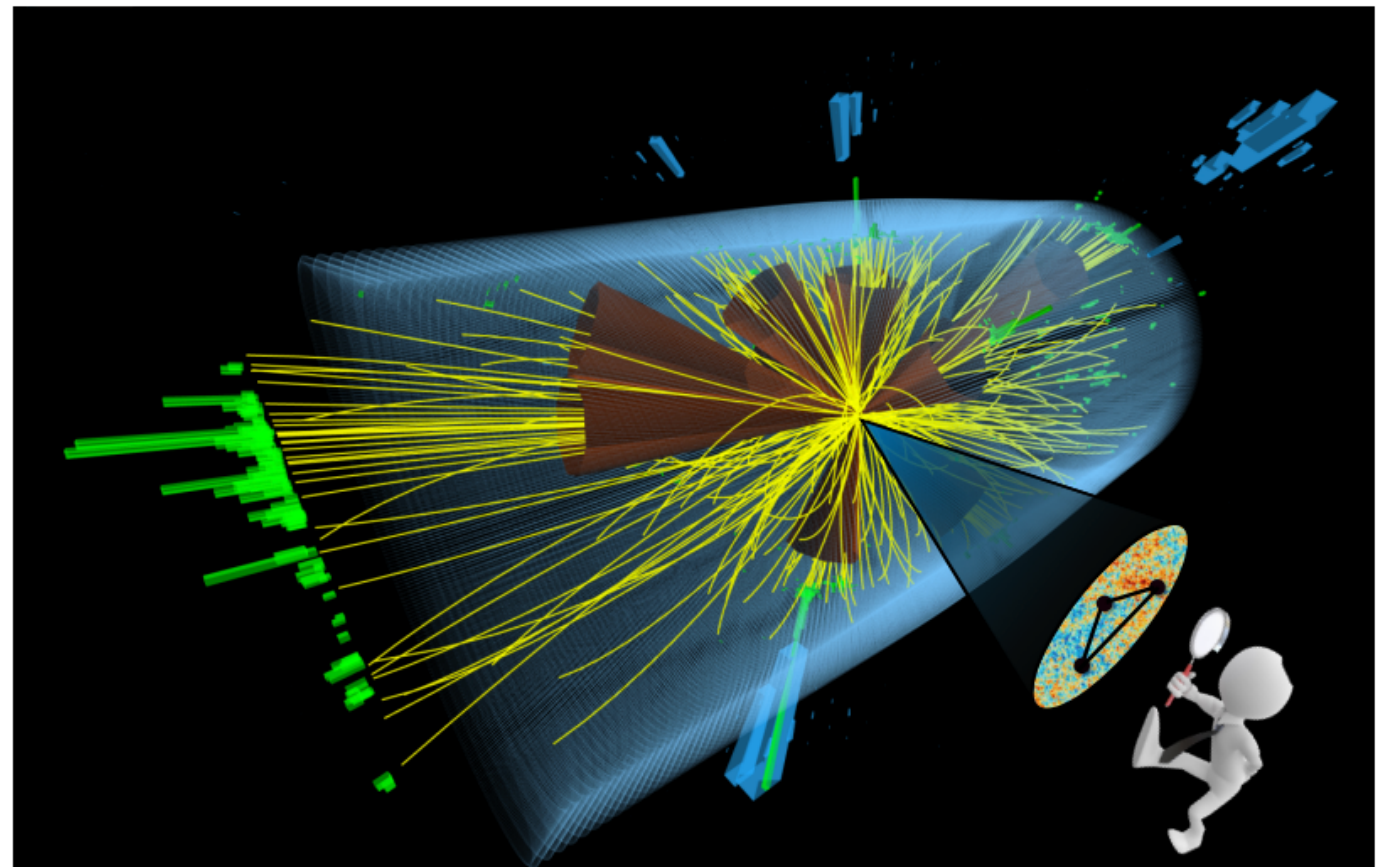
Introduction 1: Energy Correlators

- Correlations of energy flow in collider events



Sterman ILL-TH-75-32 (1975)

Basham, Brown, Ellis, and Love,
PRL 41, 1585 (1978)



Introduction 1: Energy Correlators

- Field theory definition

Energy flow operator from T_{0i}

$$\mathcal{E}(\theta) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt n^i T^0_i(t, r \vec{n}^i)$$

$$\langle \mathcal{E}(\theta_1) \cdots \mathcal{E}(\theta_n) \rangle \equiv \frac{\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^\dagger \mathcal{E}(\theta_1) \cdots \mathcal{E}(\theta_n) \mathcal{O} | 0 \rangle}{\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^\dagger \mathcal{O} | 0 \rangle}$$

- Conformal field theory

Strong coupling: flat in θ

$$\langle \mathcal{E}(\theta_1) \cdots \mathcal{E}(\theta_n) \rangle = \left(\frac{Q}{4\pi} \right)^n$$

Hofman, Maldacena, 0803.1467

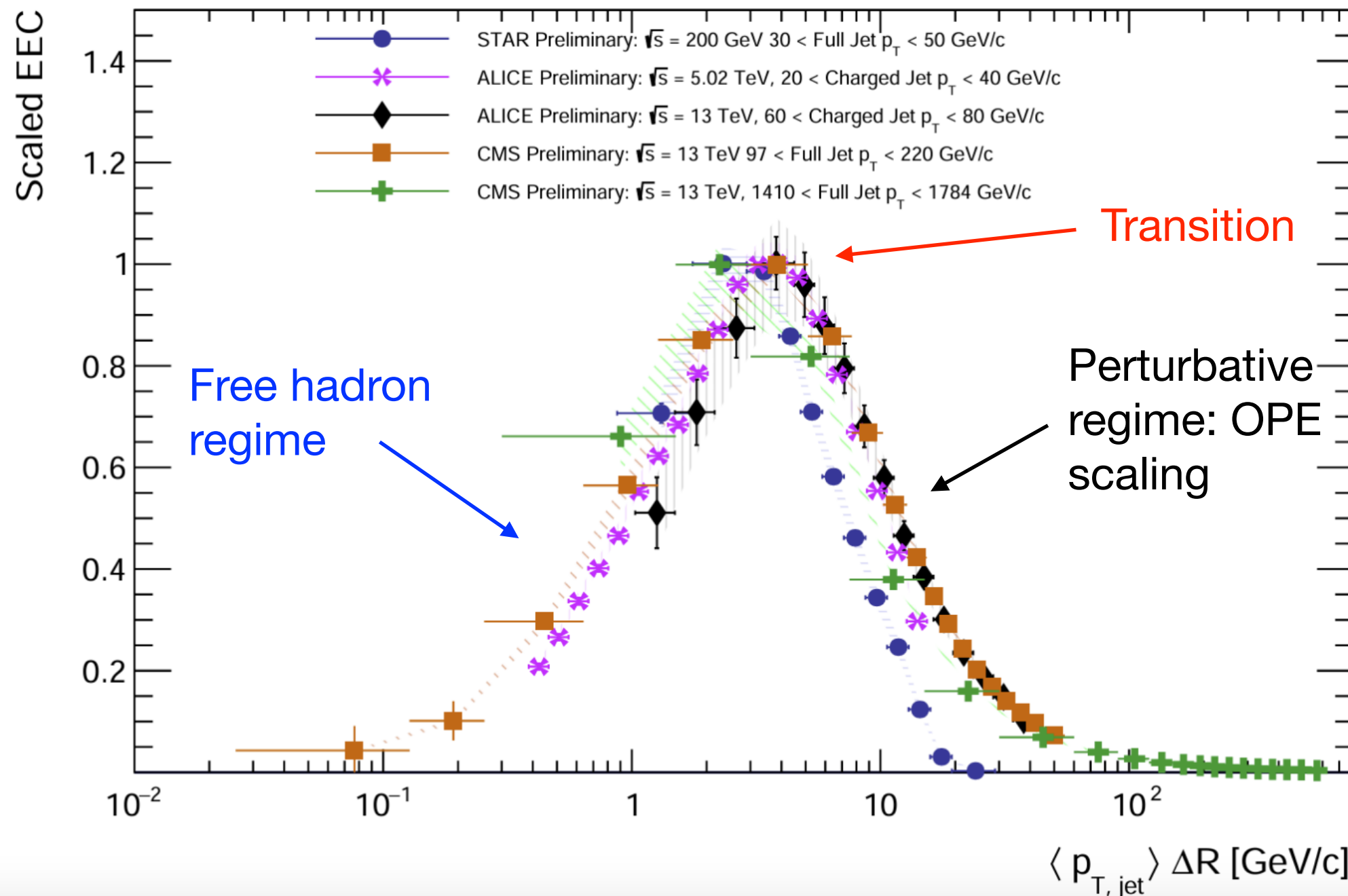
Weak coupling: OPE at small angle:, scaling controlled by anomalous dimension

$$\langle \mathcal{E}(\theta_1) \mathcal{E}(\theta_2) \cdots \rangle \sim \sum_n |\theta_{12}|^{\tau_n - 4} \langle \mathcal{U}_{3-1,n}(\theta_2) \cdots \rangle$$

Introduction 1: Experimental Measurement of EEC

- Measurements in jets

Tamis, Hard Probe 2024

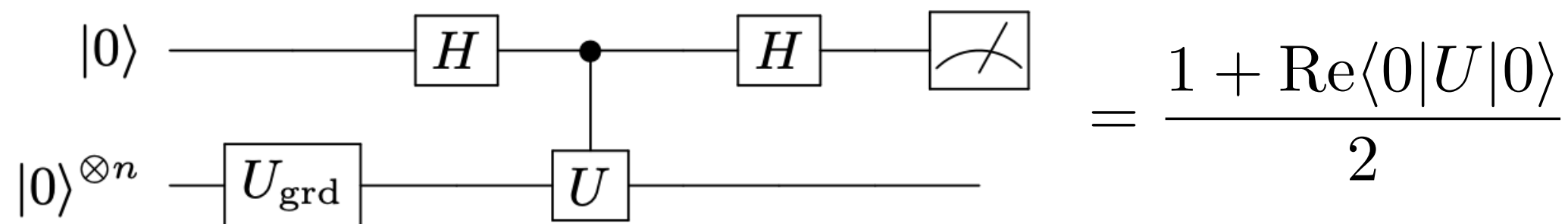


Understanding transition regime requires nonperturbative calculation

Quantum Algorithm for Real-Time Correlator

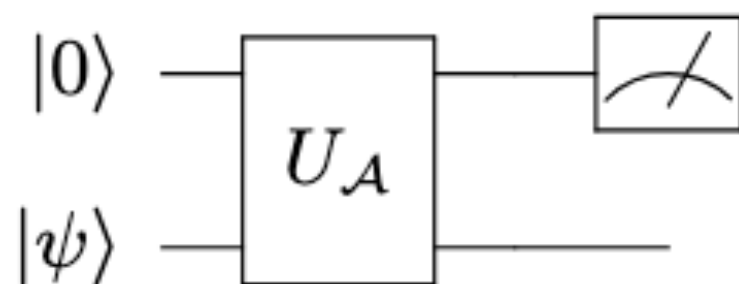
$$\sum_{i=0}^N \int_{t_i}^{\tilde{t}_i} dt_1 \int_{t_i}^{\tilde{t}_i} dt_2 \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^\dagger(0) n_1^i T_{0i}(t_1, r_i \vec{n}_1) n_2^j T_{0j}(t_2, r_i \vec{n}_2) \mathcal{O}(0) | 0 \rangle$$

- Hadamard test**



$$U = \mathcal{O}^\dagger e^{iHt_1} T_{0i}(r\vec{n}_1) e^{iH(t_2-t_1)} T_{0j}(r\vec{n}_2) e^{-iHt_2} \mathcal{O}$$

- Diluted operator to realize nonunitary operator $\mathcal{A}$**



$$U_{\mathcal{A}} = e^{i\sigma^y \otimes \arccos(\frac{\mathcal{A}}{\|\mathcal{A}\|})}$$

Success probability

$$P_s = \langle \psi | \frac{\mathcal{A}^2}{\|\mathcal{A}\|^2} | \psi \rangle$$

Discretized Time Integration Path

- Energy flux detectors spacelike separated

$$[\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1), \mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2)] = 0$$

Constant time integration not work

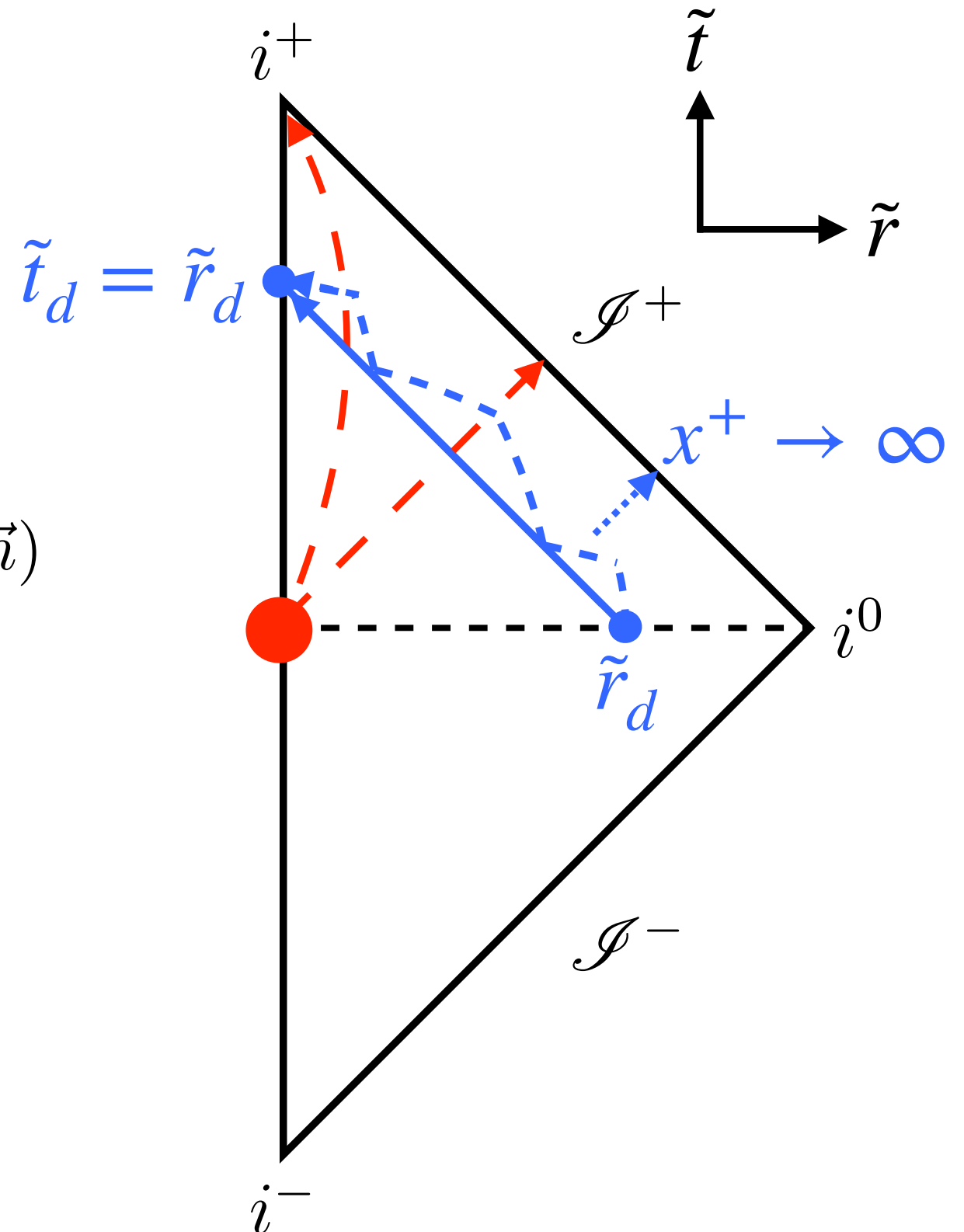
- Integrate along x^- with x^+ fixed

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty dt r^{d-1} n^i T_{0i}(t, r\vec{n})$$

$$\int_0^\infty dt n^i T_{0i} \rightarrow \int_{-x^+}^{x^+} dx^- n^i T_{-i}$$

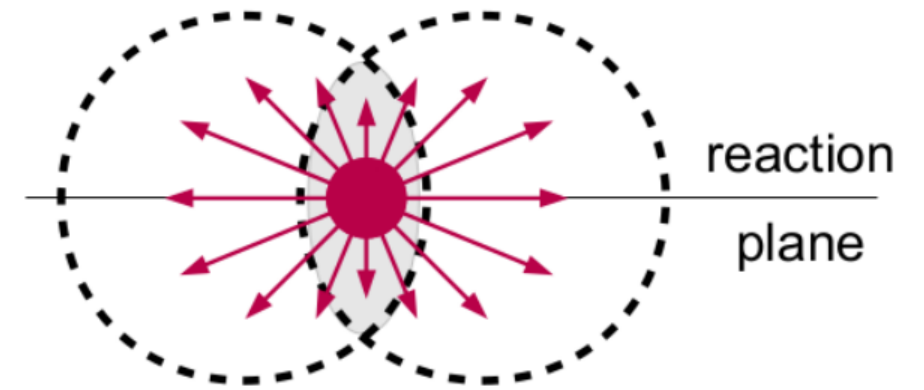
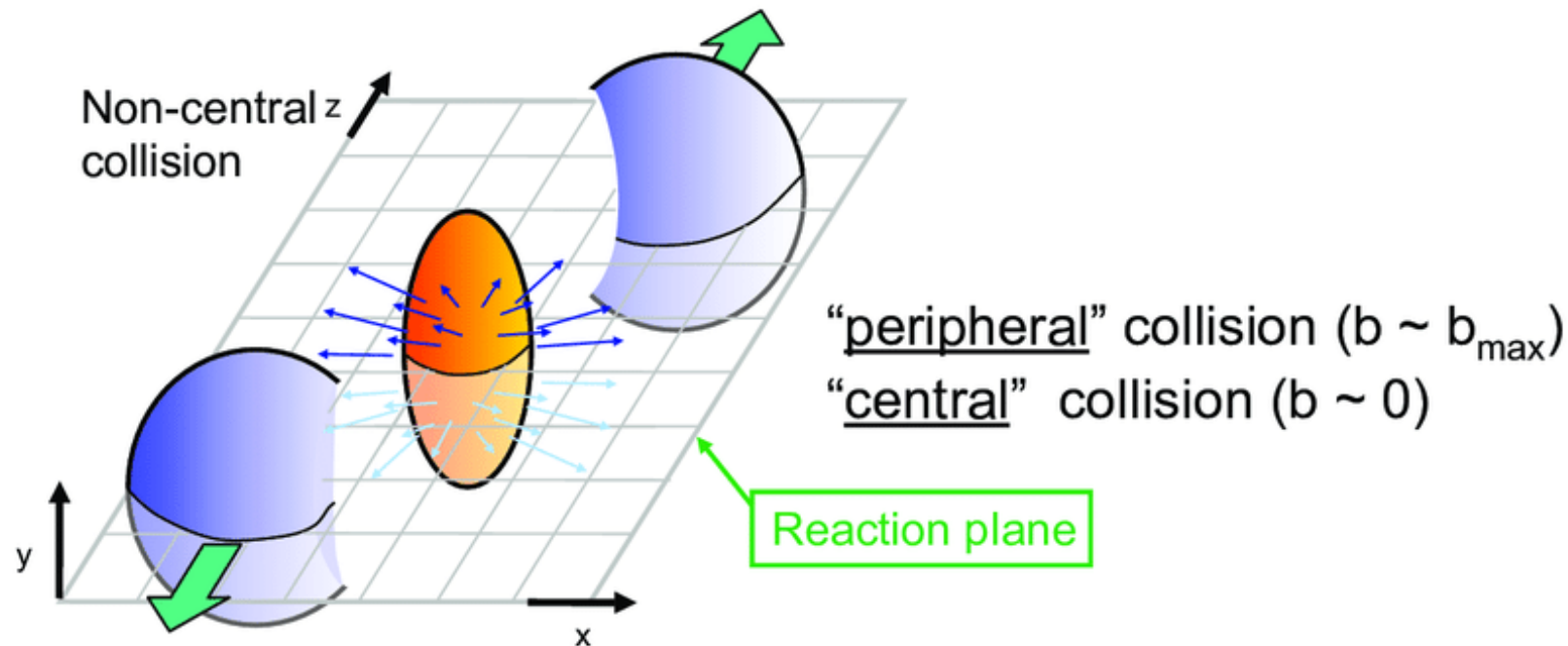
Then take $x^+ \rightarrow \infty$

- On lattice: zigzag contour



Transport Coefficients

Introduction 2: Flow in Heavy Ion Collisions



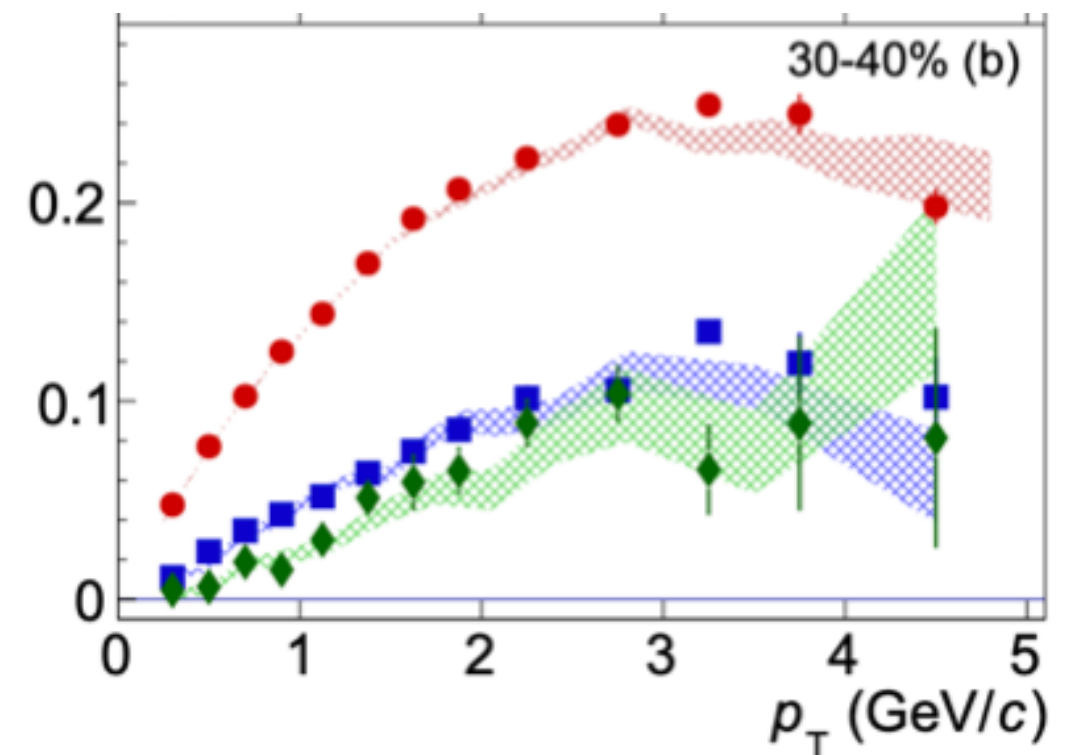
- **Anisotropic distribution $\rightarrow$ collective behavior**

$$\rho(\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos(n\phi) \right]$$

Flow coefficients

v_2 : elliptic flow,

v_3 : triangular flow



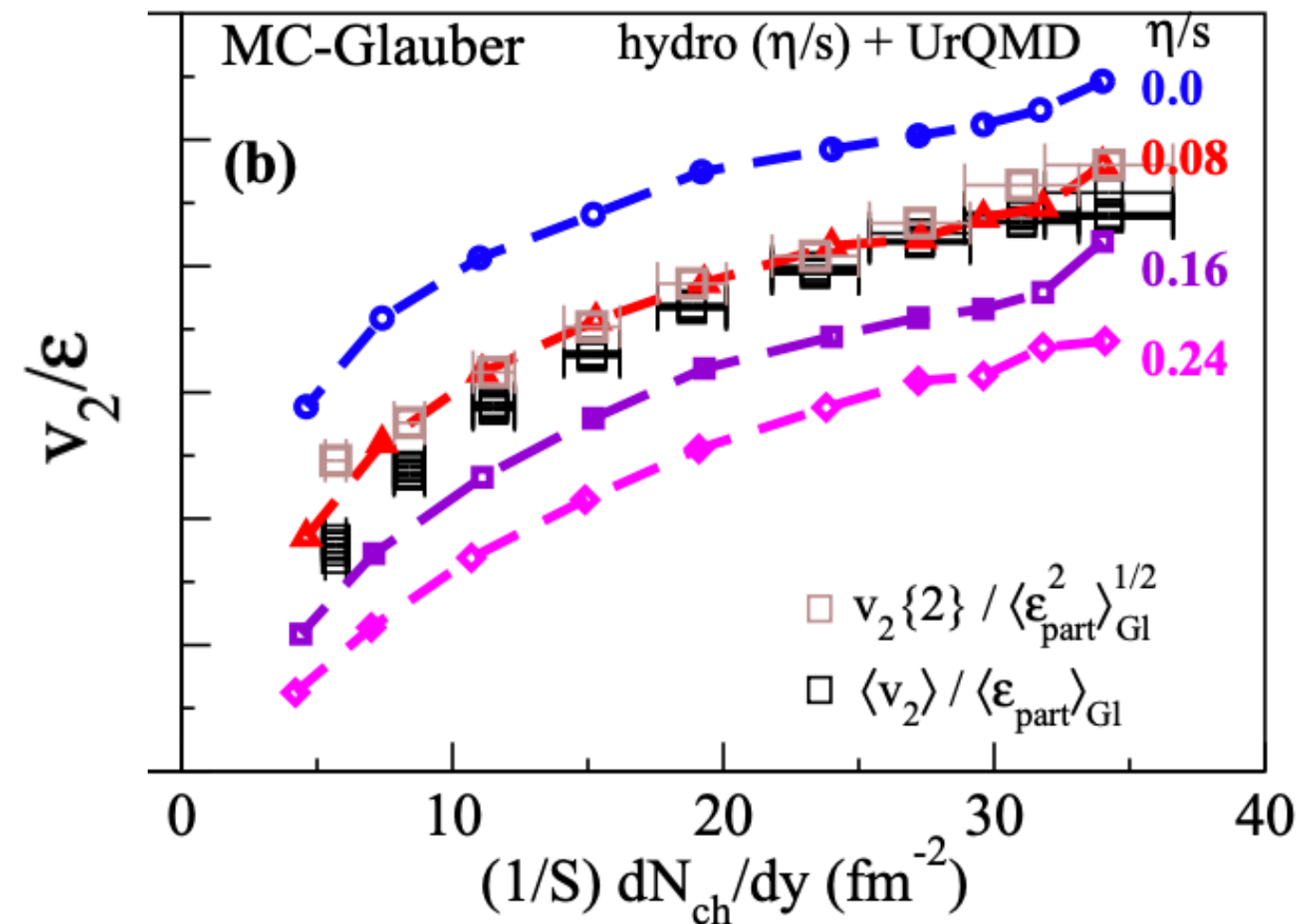
ALICE, 1602.01119

Introduction 2: Flow and Shear Viscosity

- Relativistic hydrodynamic calculations indicate a small shear viscosity works

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\varepsilon + P)u^{\mu}u^{\nu} - Pg^{\mu\nu} + 2\eta\nabla^{\langle\mu}u^{\nu\rangle}$$



$\eta/s = 0.08$ best describes data

$\eta/s \sim 1000$ for air

$\eta/s \sim 10$ for water

Calculating shear viscosity in QCD is hard

Moore, 2010.15704

Song, Bass, Heinz, Hirano, Shen, 1011.2783

Shear Viscosity from Linear Response

- Kubo formula: transport determined by real-time correlation function

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega} G_r^{xy}(\omega)$$

Baier, Romatschke, Son, Starinets, Stephanov, 0712.2451

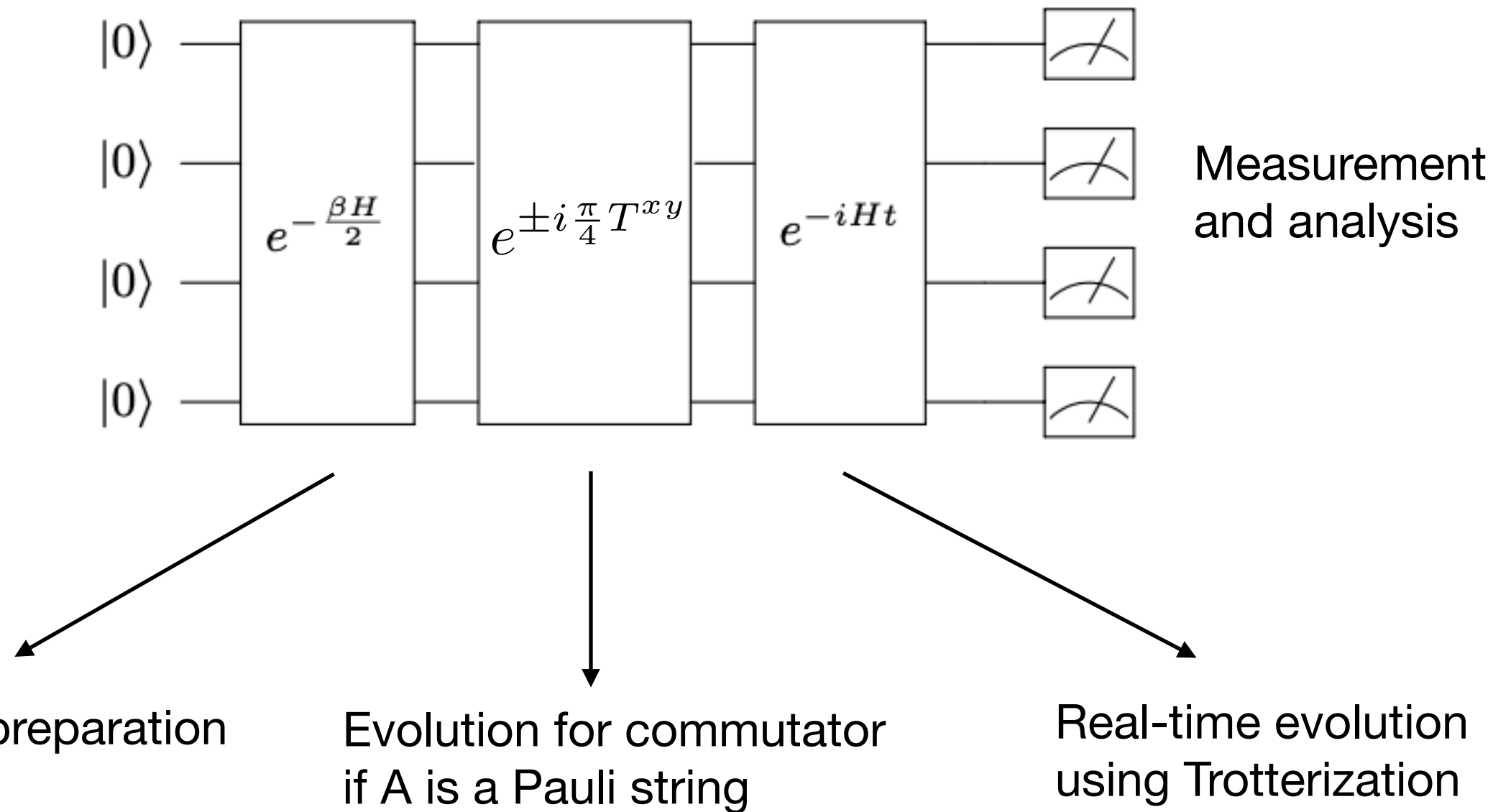
- Retarded Green's function of T^{xy}

$$G_r^{xy}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \equiv \theta(t) \text{Tr}([T^{xy}(t, \boldsymbol{x}), T^{xy}(0, \mathbf{0})] \rho_T)$$

$$\rho_T = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H}$$

A Quantum Algorithm for Retarded Correlator

- An overview



$$[A, B] = -i \left(e^{-i \frac{\pi}{4} A} B e^{i \frac{\pi}{4} A} - e^{i \frac{\pi}{4} A} B e^{-i \frac{\pi}{4} A} \right)$$

Quantum Imaginary Time Propagation

Turro, 2306.16580

- **Initialization:** n_s system qubits + $(n_s + 1)$ ancillas

Hadamard + CNOT + measurements
give maximally mixed state

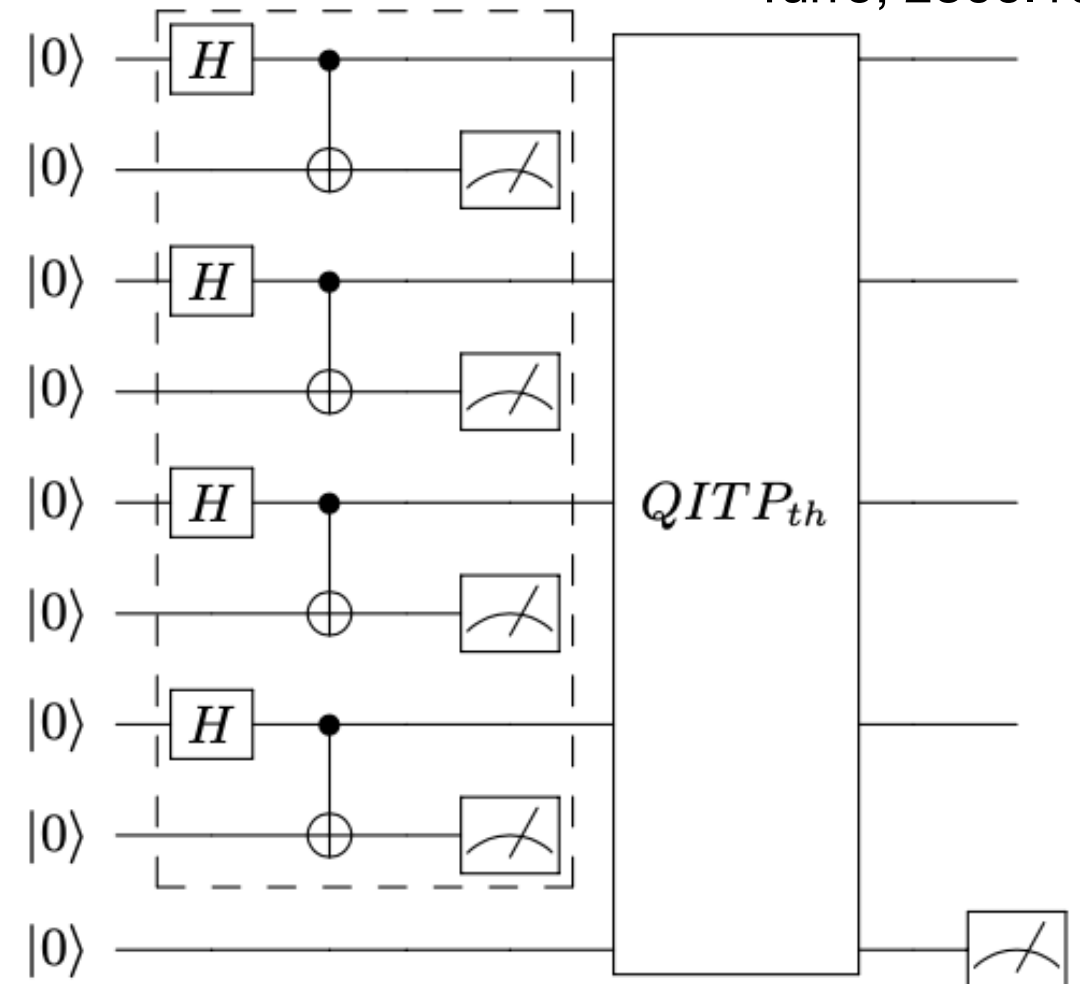
$$\rho_s = \frac{1}{2^{n_s}} \mathbb{1}_{2^{n_s} \times 2^{n_s}}$$

- **Quantum imaginary time propagation**

$$QITP_{th} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{p} e^{-\tau(H-E_T)} & \sqrt{1 - p} e^{-2\tau(H-E_T)} \\ -\sqrt{1 - p} e^{-2\tau(H-E_T)} & \sqrt{p} e^{-\tau(H-E_T)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- **Measure the ancilla, success if $|0\rangle$ returned**

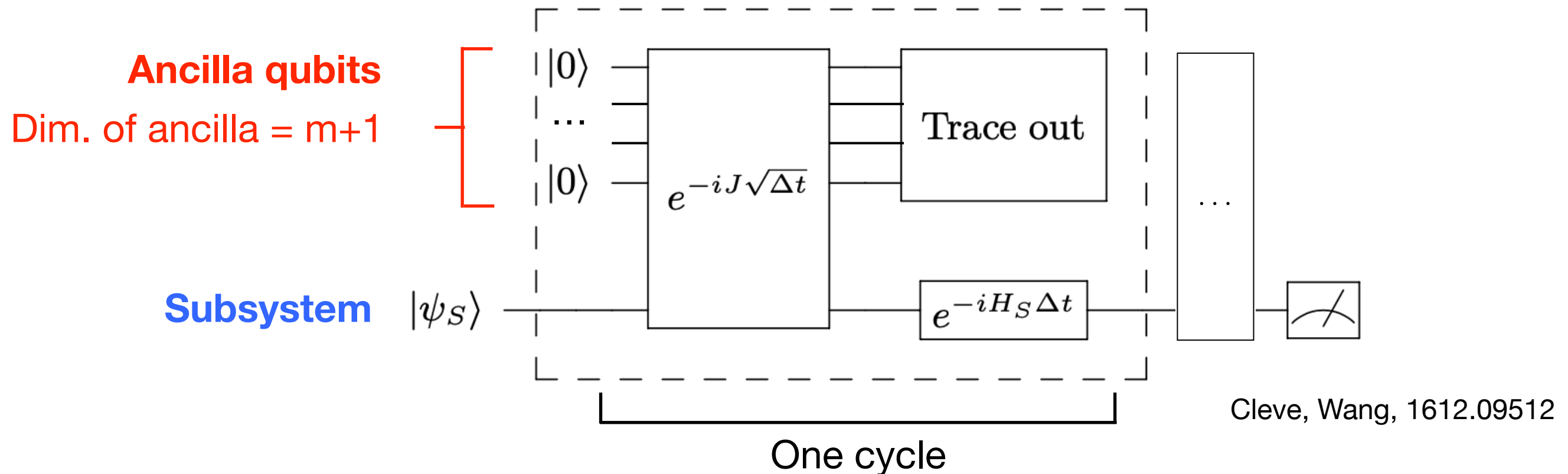
Success probability decays **exponentially** with system size



Thermal State Preparation: Open Quantum System

- Lindblad equation in quantum Brownian motion limit, steady state $\approx$ thermal

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -i[H_S, \rho] + \sum_{j=1}^m \left(L_j \rho L_j^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{L_j^\dagger L_j, \rho\} \right) \equiv \mathcal{L}\rho$$



$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & L_1^\dagger & \dots & L_m^\dagger \\ L_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ L_m & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Reproduce Lindblad equation if expanded to linear order in Δt

Efficient Thermal State Preparation: OQS

- Implementation on IBM hardware for Schwinger model

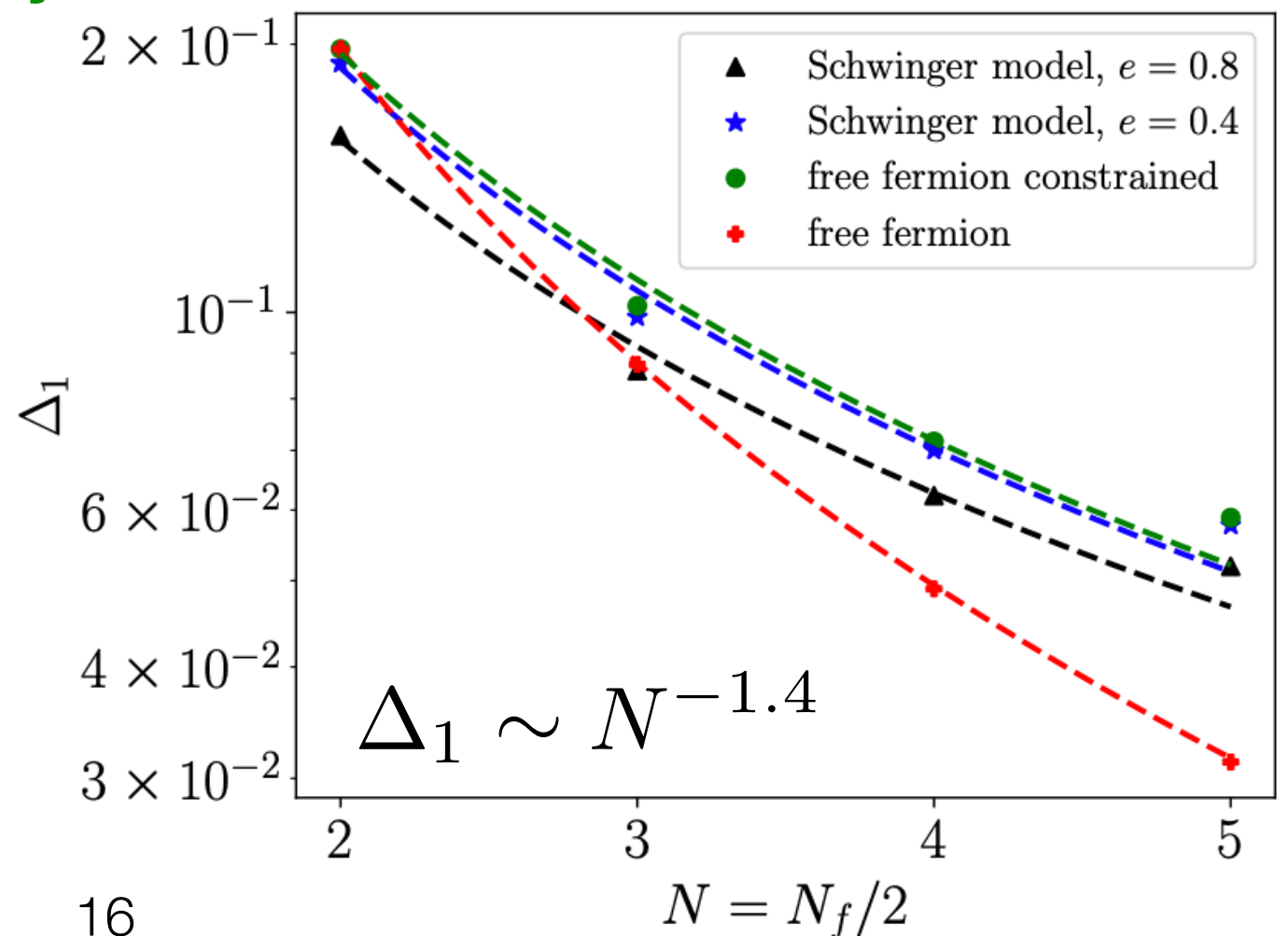
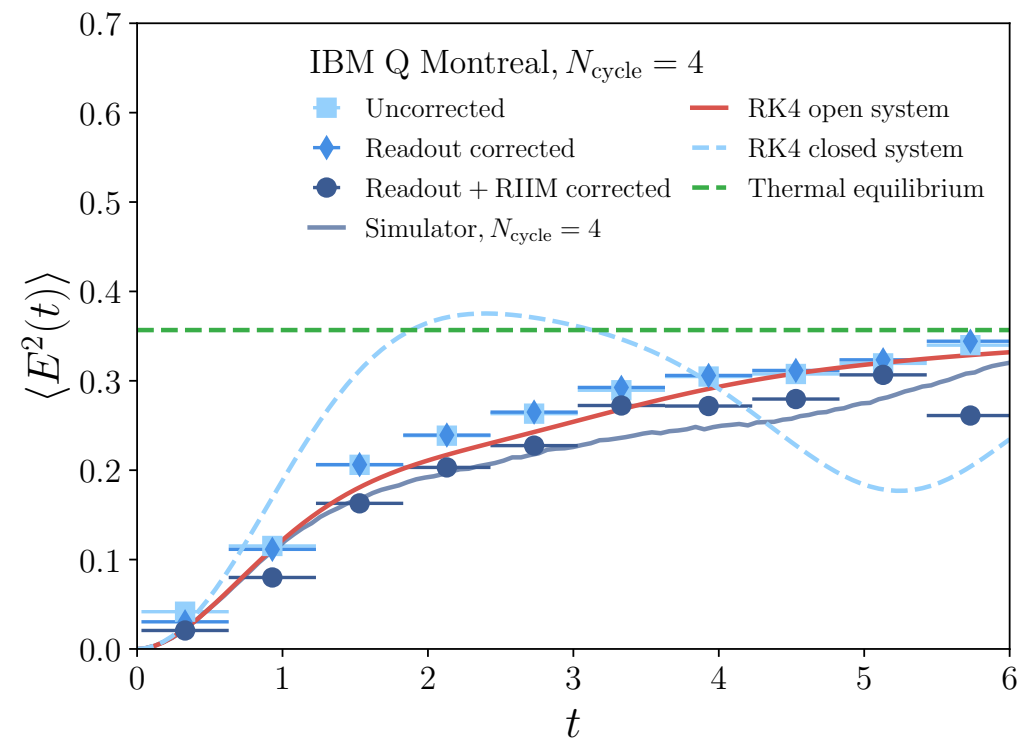
de Jong, Lee, Mulligan, Ploskon, Ringer and XY, 2106.08394

- Equilibration time scales polynomially

$$\rho(t) = \rho_0 + \sum_j c_j e^{\lambda_j t} \rho_j^R$$

Liouvillian gap $\Delta_j = -\text{Re } \lambda_j$

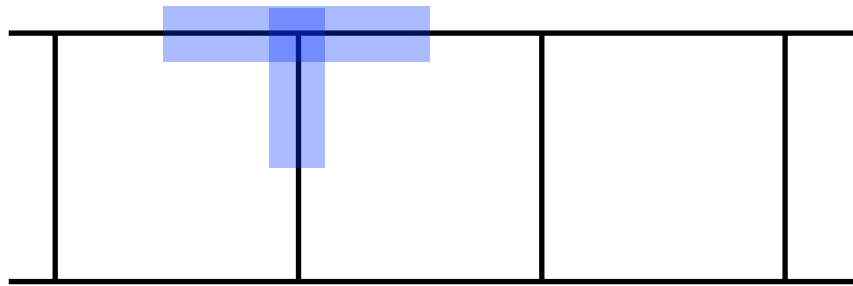
Lee, Mulligan, Ringer and XY, 2308.03878



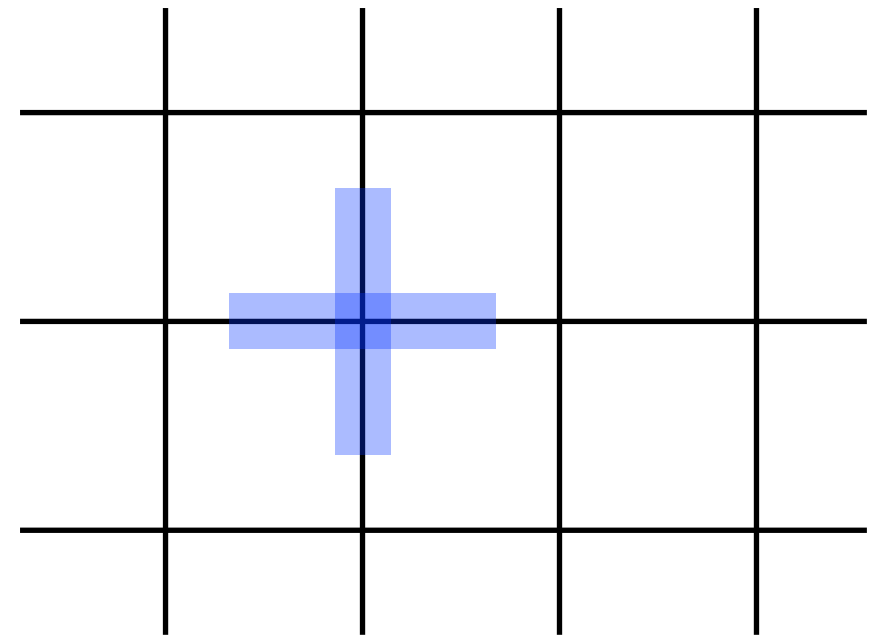
Application to 2+1D SU(2)

Honeycomb Lattice for SU(2)

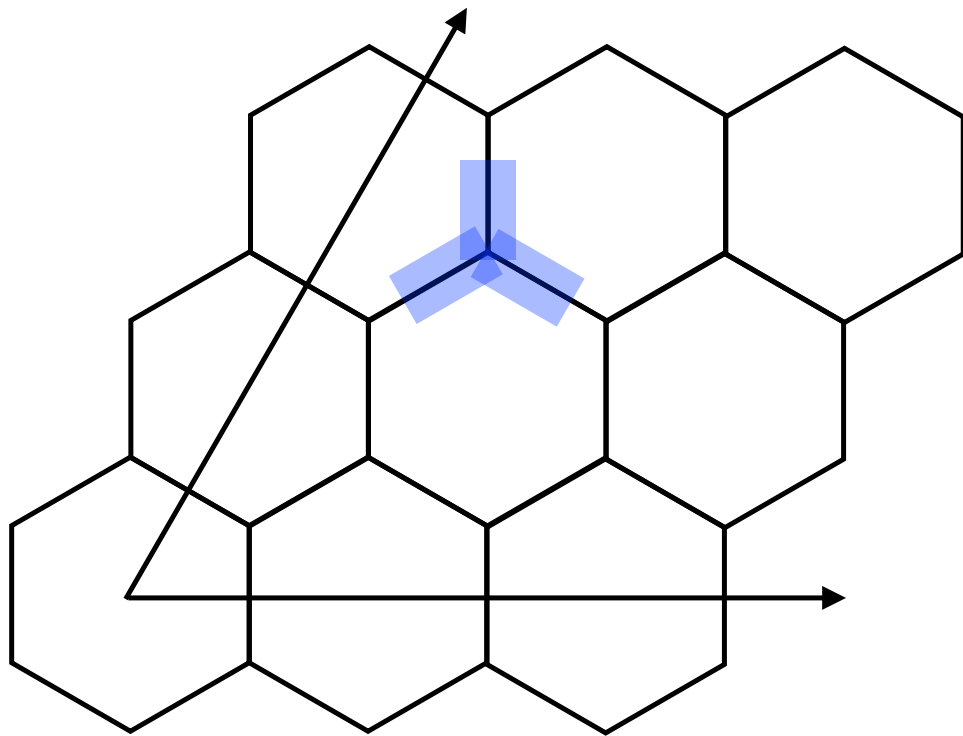
- **Problem on square lattice:** each vertex has four links $\rightarrow$ singlet is **not uniquely** defined by four j values



Klco, Stryker, Savage, 1908.06935



- **Use honeycomb lattice**



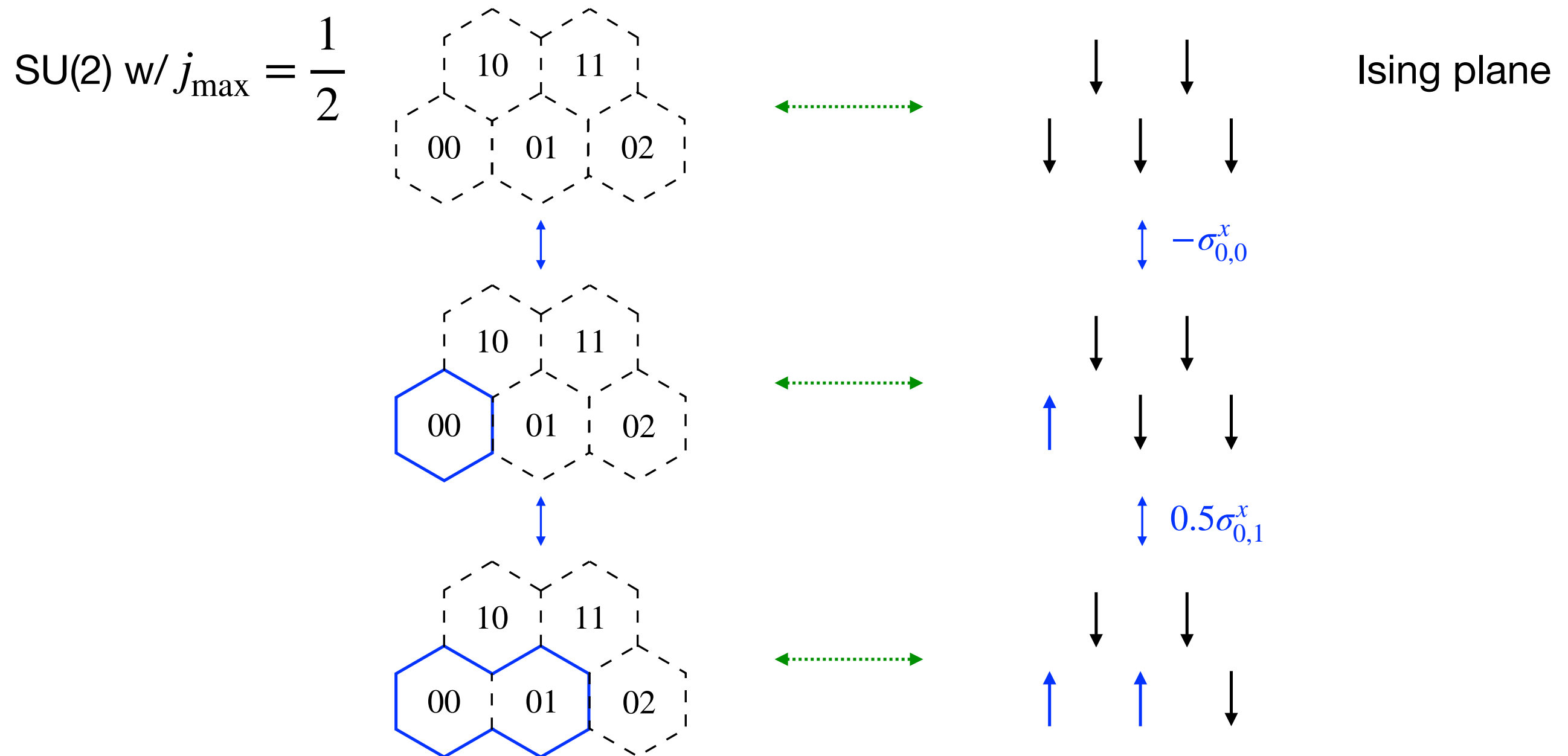
Müller, XY, 2307.00045

Illa, Savage, XY, 2503.09688

$$H_{\text{el}} \propto g^2 \sum_{\text{links}} E_i^a E_i^a$$

$$H_{\text{mag}} \propto -\frac{1}{a^2 g^2} \sum_{\text{plaqs}} \text{hexagon}$$

Simplify Hamiltonian with $j_{\max} = 1/2$



$$aH = h_+ \sum_{(i,j)} \Pi_{i,j}^+ - h_{++} \sum_{(i,j)} \Pi_{i,j}^+ \left(\Pi_{i+1,j}^+ + \Pi_{i,j+1}^+ + \Pi_{i+1,j-1}^+ \right) + h_x \sum_{(i,j)} \sigma_{ij}^x D_{ij}$$

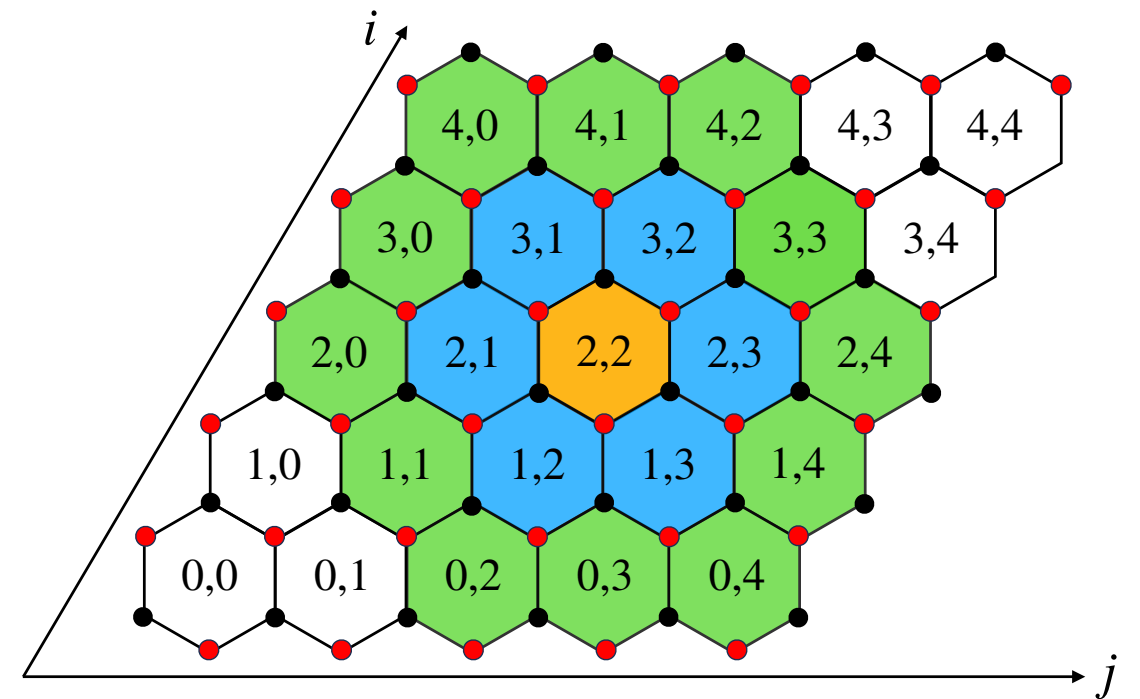
$$\Pi_{i,j}^+ = (1 + \sigma_{i,j}^z)/2$$

Results

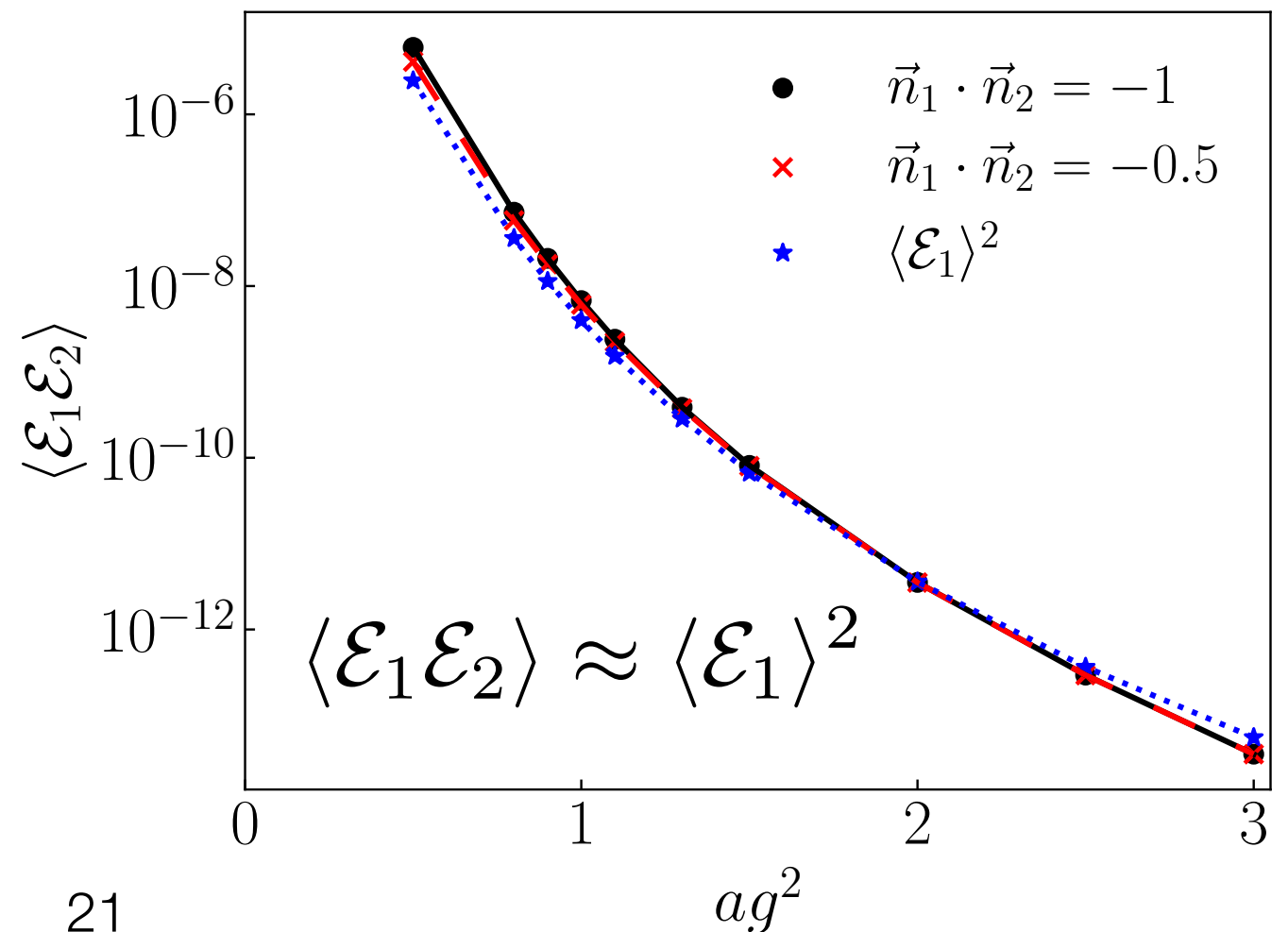
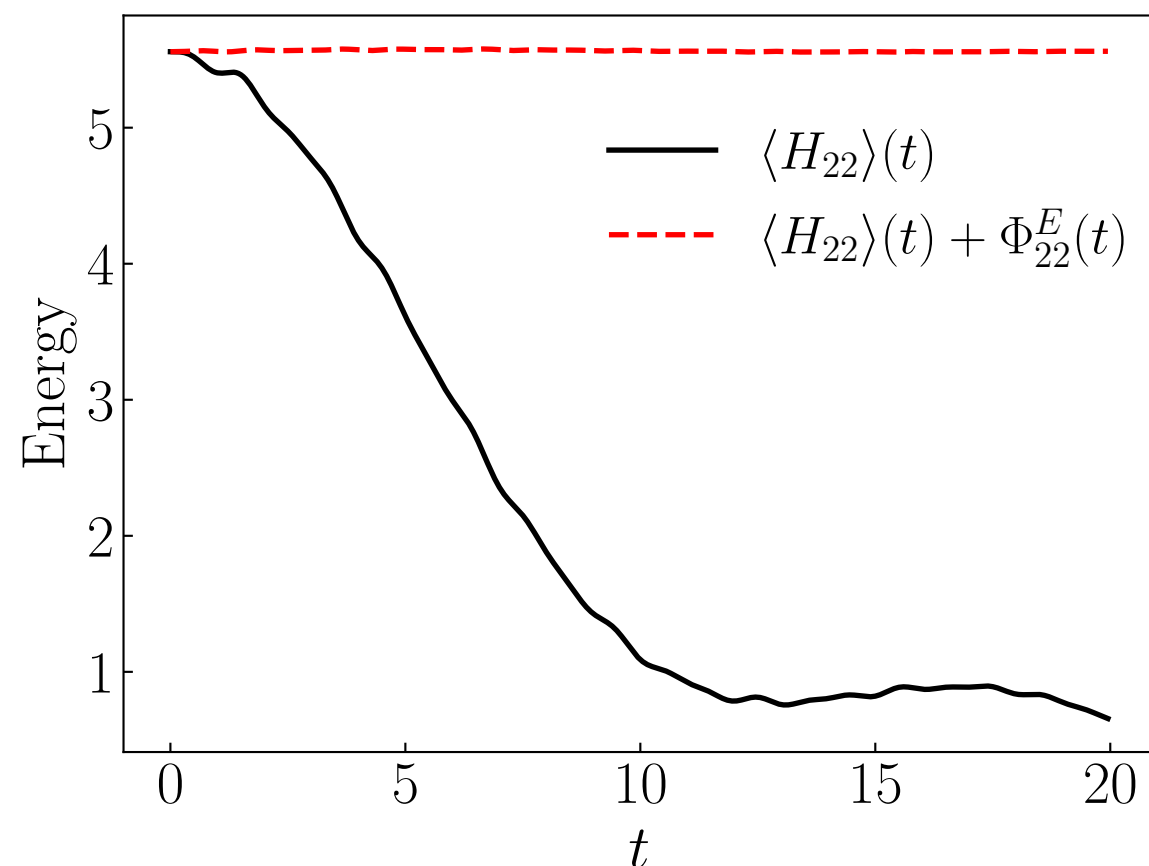
Energy Correlator for 2+1D SU(2) on Small Lattice

- 5×5 lattice with $ag^2 = 1, j_{\max} = 1/2$

Perturbation source at center (2,2)



Energy conservation works well

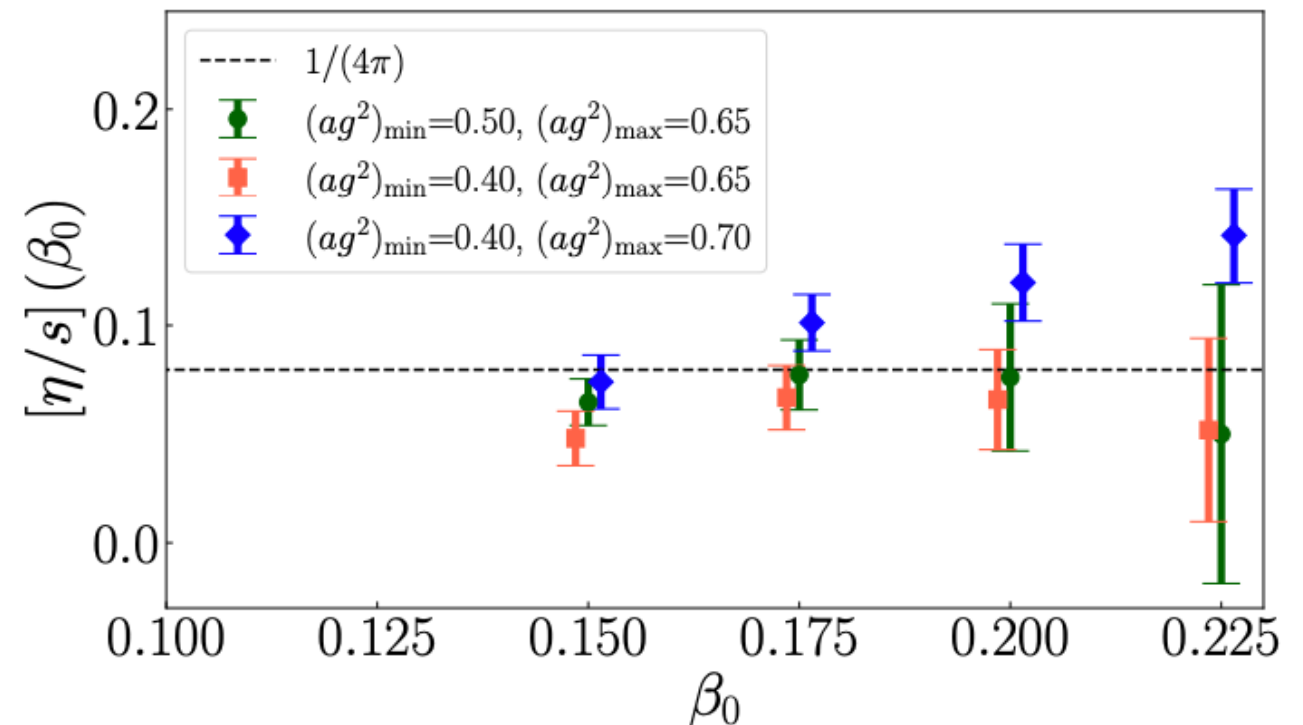
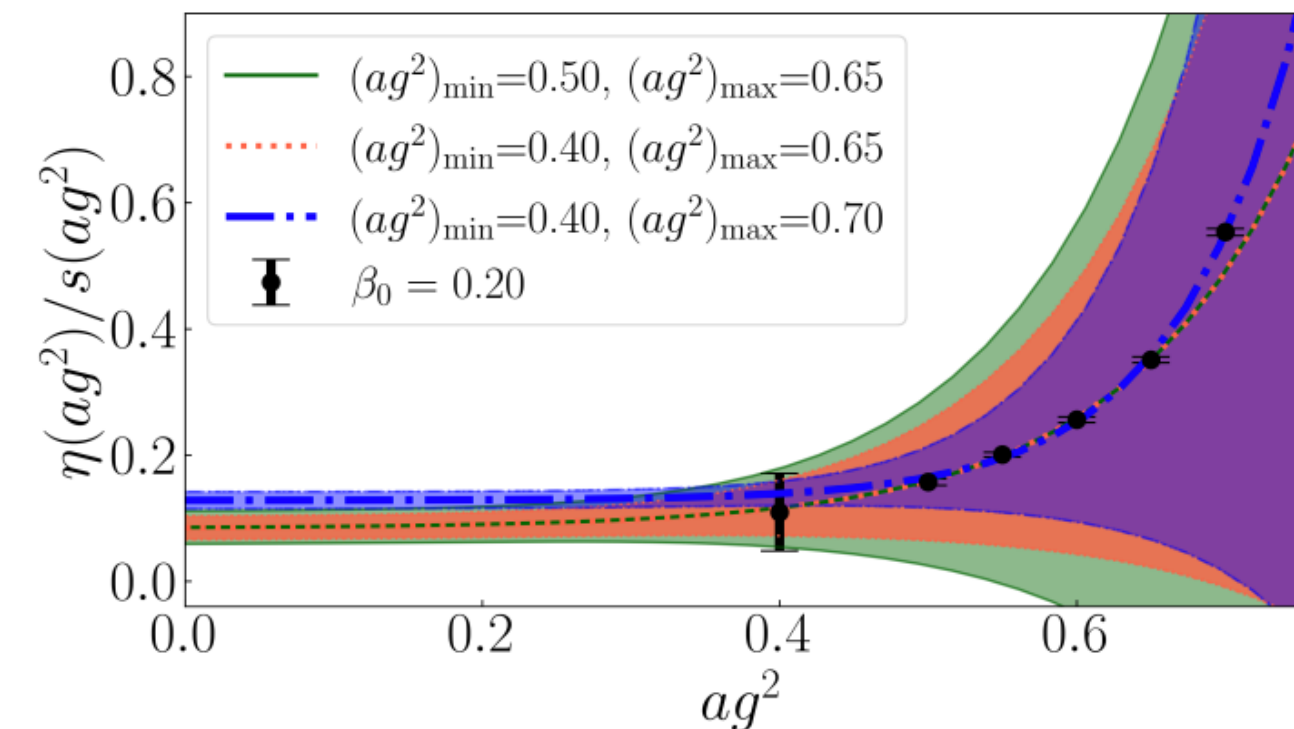
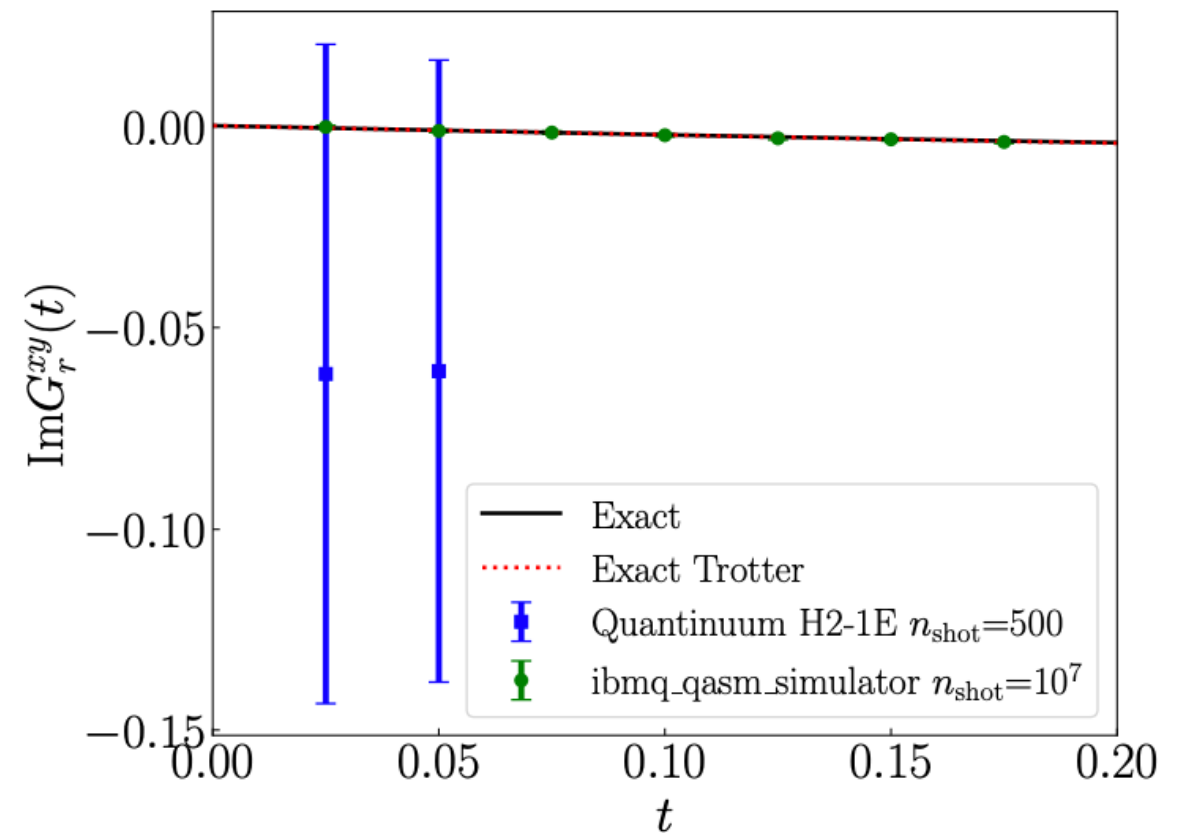


Shear Viscosity on Small Lattice

- Quantum simulator results for retarded correlator on 2×2 lattice

$$j_{\max} = 1/2, ag^2 = 1, \beta = 0.15, \Delta t = 0.025$$

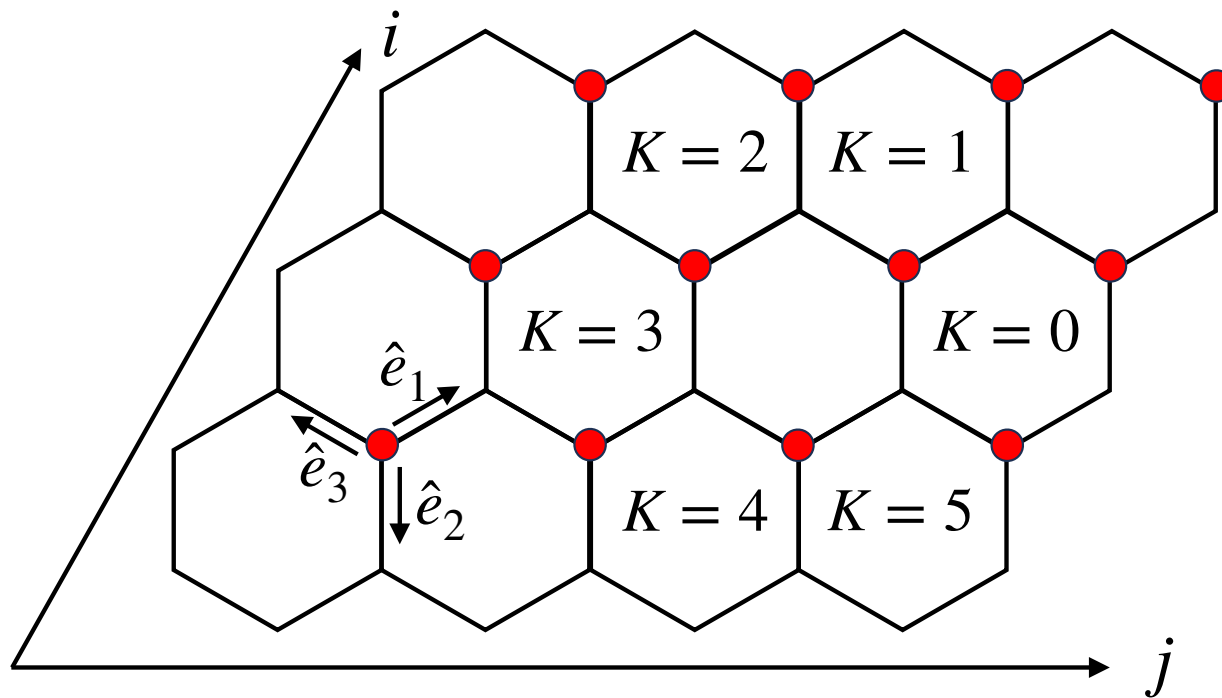
- A naive “continuum” extrapolation on 4×4 lattice w/ $j_{\max} = 1/2$



Conclusions

- Real-time correlators contain interesting physics information
 - Energy-energy correlators
 - Shear viscosity
- For 2+1D SU(2) with $j_{\max} = 1/2$ on honeycomb lattice, each Trotter step takes about 200 CNOT depth

Backup: Magnetic Interaction w/ $j_{\max} = 1/2$



Factors of $(-0.5)^n$ can appear,
consequence of CG coefficients

$$H^{\text{mag}} = h_x \sum_{(i,j)} \sigma_{i,j}^x \prod_{K=0}^5 \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) \sigma_K^z \sigma_{K+1}^z + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \right]$$

Backup: Lattice Version of T_{0i}

- Obtain from energy conservation

Start with an energy density operator on lattice H_{ij} (per plaquette)

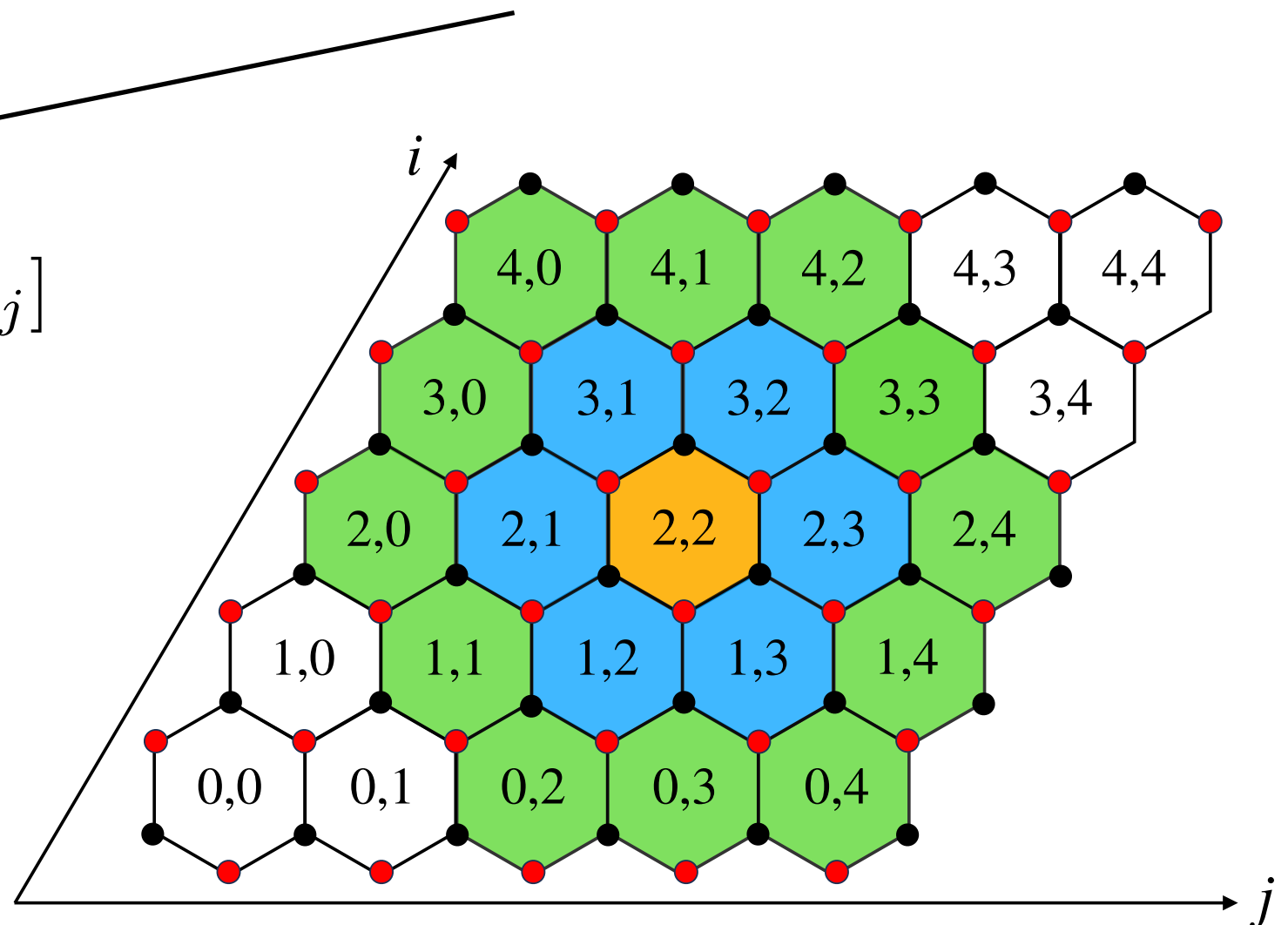
Evolution in Heisenberg picture v.s. energy conservation equation

$$\frac{dH_{ij}(t)}{dt} = i[H, H_{ij}(t)]$$

$$\partial_t e = -\nabla \cdot \vec{j}^e$$

$$T_{0,(i,j) \rightarrow (i',j')} = -i[H_{i'j'}, H_{ij}]$$

(i', j') denotes neighbors of (i, j)



Backup: Relation to Naively Discretized Operator

- **A particular discretization** $T_{0i} = -T^{0i} = \frac{1}{g^2} F_{0j}^a F_{ij}^a$

$$T_{0i}^{\text{bare}} \propto \epsilon_{ijz} \left(E_j^a \text{Tr}(T^a U_{\square}) + \text{Tr}(T^a U_{\square}) E_j^a - E_j^a \text{Tr}(T^a U_{\square}^{\dagger}) - \text{Tr}(T^a U_{\square}^{\dagger}) E_j^a \right)$$

↓
Poynting vector $\vec{E} \times \vec{B}$

- **With arbitrary cutoff of irrep dimensions j_{max}**

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \{J\} | \text{Tr}(T^a U_{\square}) E_{R1}^a | \{j\} \rangle &= - \frac{\langle \{J\} | \text{Tr}(U_{\square}) | \{j\} \rangle}{\begin{Bmatrix} j_6^{ex} & j_6 & j_1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & J_1 & J_6 \end{Bmatrix}} \\ &\times (-1)^{s'_1 + j_6^{ex} - M_6 - M_1 + J_1 - j_1} T_{s_1 s'_1}^a T_{m_1 m'_1}^{(j_1)a} \begin{pmatrix} j_6 & j_6^{ex} & j_1 \\ m_6 & m_6^{ex} & m_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\times \begin{pmatrix} J_6 & j_6^{ex} & J_1 \\ M_6 & m_6^{ex} & M_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} j_1 & \frac{1}{2} & J_1 \\ m'_1 & s_1 & -M_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} j_6 & \frac{1}{2} & J_6 \\ m_6 & -s'_1 & -M_6 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

- **With cutoff $j_{\text{max}} = 1/2$, we find**

$$T_{0,(i,j) \rightarrow (i',j')} = T_{0i}^{\text{bare}} + \frac{\#}{a^2 g^4}$$