

From quantum control to one-way quantum computing in interacting qubit arrays

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Coupling between qubits

$$H_{\text{int}} = \sum_{i < j} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} J_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} \sigma_i^\alpha \sigma_j^\beta \quad (\alpha, \beta = x, y, z)$$

qubit-qubit interaction	qubit system
Ising	charge
XY	flux, charge-flux, phase, cavity
Heisenberg	spin, donor atom

couplings beyond nearest neighbors can be induced using a “quantum bus” (e.g., cavity) [J. Majer *et al.*, Nature (2007)]



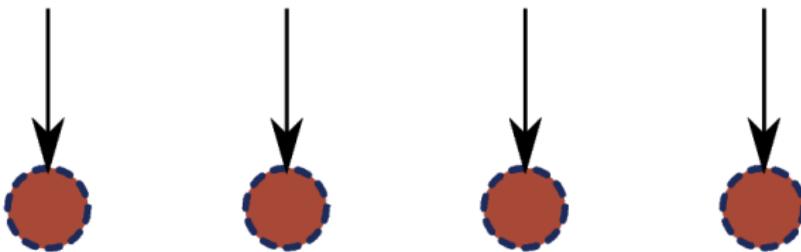
$$H(t) = H_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p f_j(t) H_j \quad f_j(t) - \text{control fields}$$

- **State-selective control:** How to steer a quantum system from a given initial state to a pre-determined final state?
- **Operator (state-independent) control:** How to realize a desired unitary transformation (target quantum gate)?

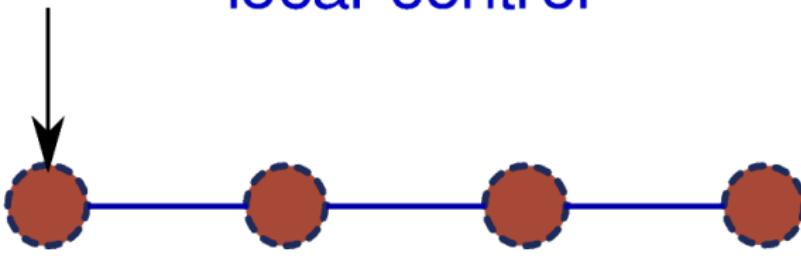
The system is **completely controllable** if $H(t)$ can give rise to an arbitrary unitary transformation on its Hilbert space



conventional control



local control



Complete controllability of an XXZ array

$$H_0 = J \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left(\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y + \Delta \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z \right)$$

local control Hamiltonian:

$$H_c(t) = \underbrace{h_x(t)}_{f_1(t)} \underbrace{\sigma_1^x}_{H_1} + \underbrace{h_y(t)}_{f_2(t)} \underbrace{\sigma_1^y}_{H_2}$$

suffices to show that the dimension of the dynamical Lie algebra $\mathcal{L}_{xy} \equiv \text{span}\{-iH_0, -i\sigma_1^x, -i\sigma_1^y\}$ equals $d^2 - 1$ ($d \equiv 2^N$)

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{xy} \cong su(d) \Rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}_{xy}} \cong SU(d)$ (**complete controllability**)



Control objectives (target gates)

CNOT on the last two qubits of the array:

$$\text{CNOT}_N \equiv \underbrace{\mathbf{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{I}}_{N-2} \otimes \underbrace{\left(|0\rangle\langle 0| \otimes \mathbf{I} + |1\rangle\langle 1| \otimes \sigma^x \right)}_{\text{CNOT}}$$

flip (**NOT**) of the last qubit in the array:

$$\mathbf{X}_N \equiv \underbrace{\mathbf{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{I}}_{N-1} \otimes \sigma^x \quad \text{sufficient to use an } x \text{ control field!}$$

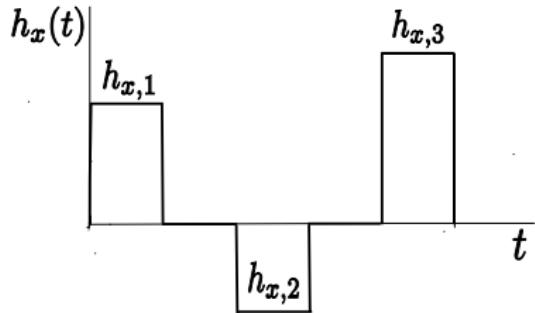
$\sqrt{\text{SWAP}}$ on the last two qubits of the array:

$$\sqrt{\text{SWAP}}_N \quad \text{reminder: } \sqrt{\text{SWAP}} \equiv e^{-i\frac{\pi}{8}} e^{i\frac{\pi}{8}(\sigma^x \otimes \sigma^x + \sigma^y \otimes \sigma^y + \sigma^z \otimes \sigma^z)}$$



Control pulses and fidelity maximization

alternate x and y (or x only !) piecewise-constant controls:



full time evolution (total time $t_f \equiv N_t T$):

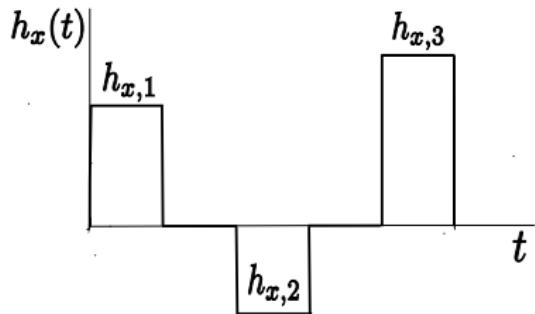
$$U(t_f) = U_{y,N_t/2} U_{x,N_t/2} \cdots U_{y,1} U_{x,1}$$

$$\left[U_{j,n} \equiv e^{-iH_{j,n}T} \quad (j = x, y) \right]$$



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gate fidelity:

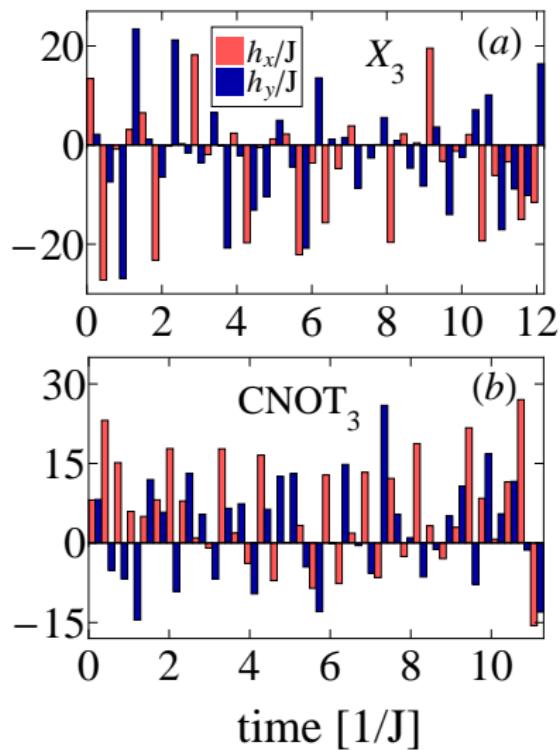
$$F(t_f) = \frac{1}{d} \left| \text{tr}[U^\dagger(t_f) U_{\text{target}}] \right|$$

$$\left[0 \leq F(t_f) \leq 1 \right]$$

maximize $F = F(\{h_{x,n}; h_{y,n}\})$ numerically for $N = 3, 4$



Minimal gate times: Optimal values of anisotropy Δ



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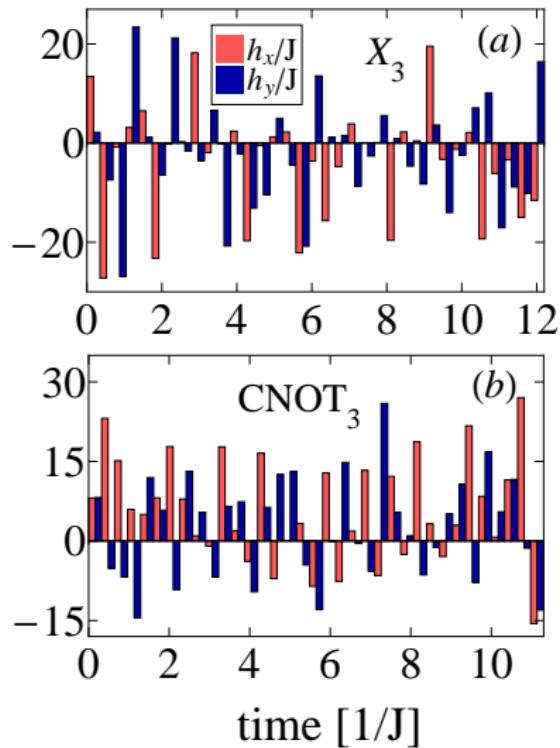
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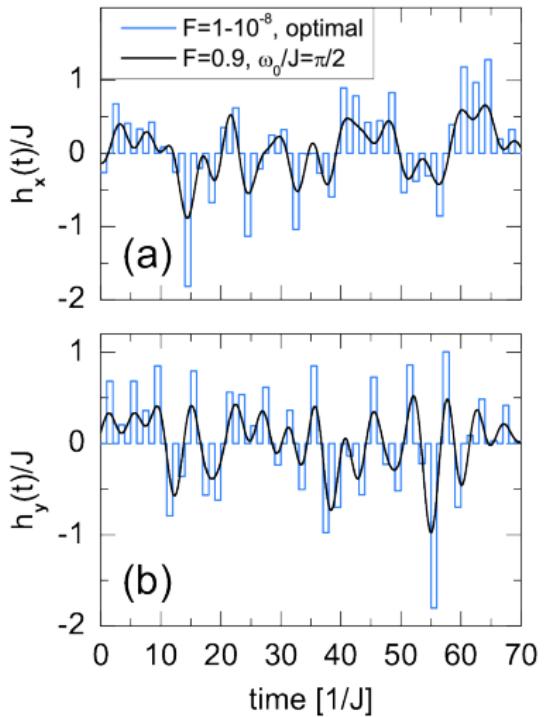
for $\Delta \gtrsim 11$ shorter X_3 gate times for x -only control!

⇒ design principle for superconducting charge qubits:

$$E_C/E_J \leftrightarrow \Delta$$



Spectral low-pass filtering of control fields



practical limitation:

control fields cannot have arbitrarily high frequencies!

frequency-filtered control fields:

$$\tilde{h}_j(t) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{f(\omega)\mathcal{F}[h_j(t)]\}$$

ideal low-pass filter:

$$f(\omega) = \theta(\omega + \omega_0) - \theta(\omega - \omega_0)$$

ω_0 – cutoff frequency

CNOT₃



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state of the art: two-qubit gates with $F > 90\%$ [DiCarlo *et al.* (2009)]

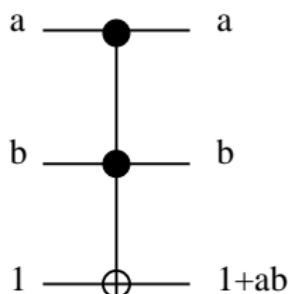
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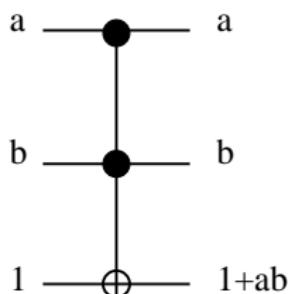
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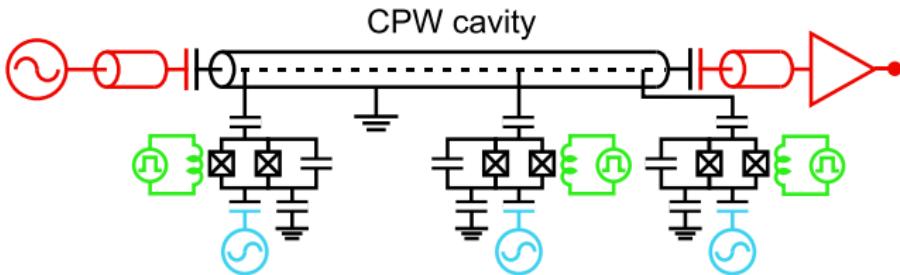
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Can quantum control be of help?

$$F \xrightarrow{\text{decoherence}} F * \exp(-t_g/T_2)$$



Three-qubit (transmon) circuit QED setup at ETH



effective XY -type model:

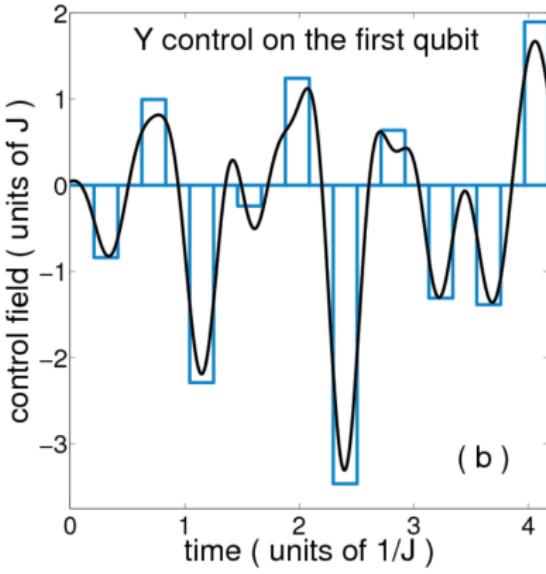
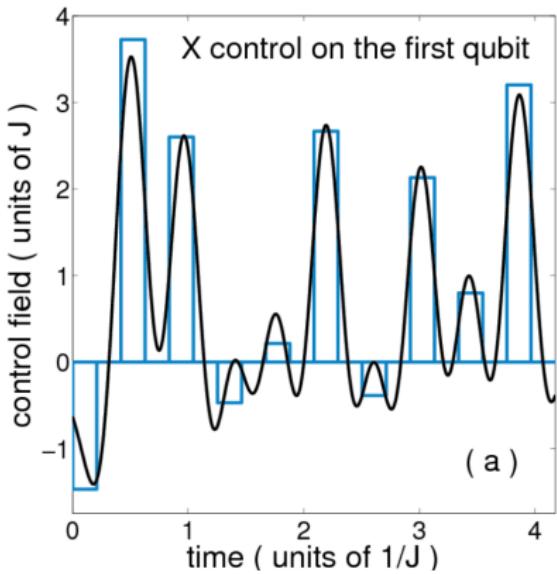
$$H_0 = \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} (\sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_j^y)$$

$$J_{12} = J_{23} = J \approx 30 \text{ MHz}, J_{13} \approx 5 \text{ MHz}$$

$$H_c(t) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left[\Omega_x^{(i)}(t) \sigma_i^x + \Omega_y^{(i)}(t) \sigma_i^y \right]$$
$$\sqrt{\Omega_x^2 + \Omega_y^2} \lesssim 130 \text{ MHz}$$



Toffoli gate in circuit QED: results



cutoff frequency:
 $\omega_0 = 500 \text{ MHz}$

$$\omega_0 \approx 17J !$$

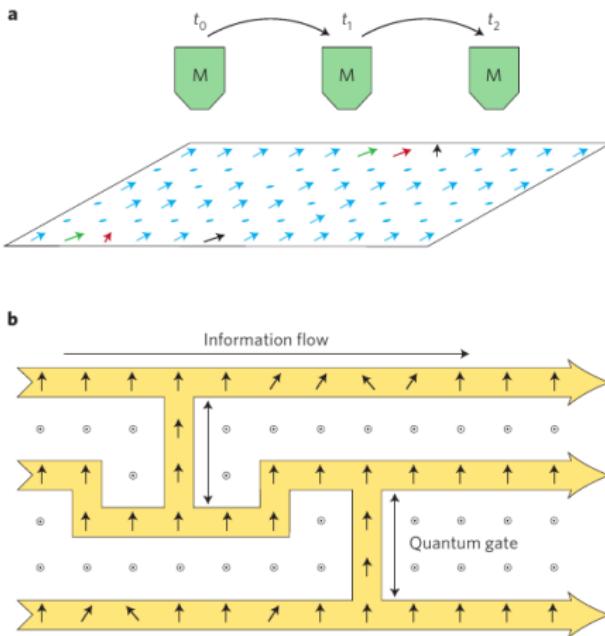
$$t_g \approx 140 \text{ ns} \quad F \approx 99\%$$

$$t_g = 75 \text{ ns} \quad F \approx 92\%$$



Measurement-based quantum computation (MQC)

R. Raussendorf and H. J. Briegel, PRL **86**, 5188 (2001)



with local (single-qubit) measurements:

MQC → one-way QC

2D cluster state is a universal resource for MQC!

Other candidates, e.g., the AKLT state, are difficult to produce in solid-state systems!

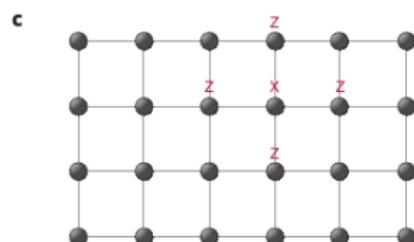
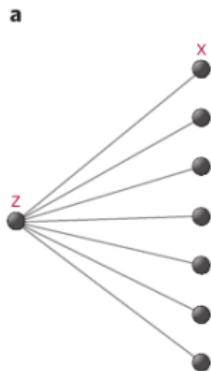
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Graph states and cluster states

one-way quantum computing

H. J. Briegel and R. Raussendorf, PRL **86**, 910 (2001)



initial preparation:

$$|G\rangle = \prod_{\{i,j\}} U_{\text{PG}}^{(ij)} |+\rangle^{\otimes N}$$

$$|+\rangle = (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$U_{\text{PG}} = \text{diag}(1, 1, 1, -1)$$

correlation operators

$$K_i \equiv \sigma_i^x \bigotimes_{j \in \text{nghd}(i)} \sigma_j^z$$

satisfy

$$K_i |G\rangle = \pm |G\rangle$$



cluster states are eigenstates of the stabilizer Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{stab}} = - \sum_i K_i$$

How to “generate” a stabilizer Hamiltonian starting from
a “natural” two-body spin-1/2 (qubit) Hamiltonian?

$$H = H_0 + H_{\text{int}}$$

$$H_0 = \sum_i (\Omega_i \sigma_i^x + \varepsilon_i \sigma_i^z)$$

Ising: $H_{\text{int}} = J \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z$

XY: $H_{\text{int}} = J \sum_i (\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y)$

Heisenberg: $H_{\text{int}} = J \sum_i (\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y + \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z)$



Stabilizer Hamiltonian from Ising-type interactions

starting single-qubit Hamiltonian:

$$H_s = \Omega(\sigma_1^y + \sum_{i=2}^{N-1} \sigma_i^x + \sigma_N^y)$$

What $e^{-i\theta \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z} H_s e^{i\theta \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z}$ amounts to?

basic relations:

$$e^{-i\theta \sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z} \sigma_1^{x,y} e^{i\theta \sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z} = \cos(2\theta) \sigma_1^{x,y} \pm \sin(2\theta) \sigma_1^{y,x} \sigma_2^z$$

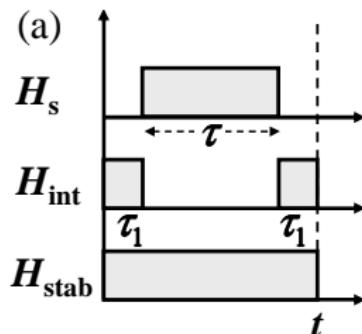
special case $\theta = \pi/4$ – increasing the order of the Pauli-matrix terms:

$$e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}\sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z} \sigma_1^x e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}\sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z} = \sigma_1^y \sigma_2^z \quad ; \quad e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}\sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z} \sigma_1^y e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}\sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z} = -\sigma_1^x \sigma_2^z$$

\Rightarrow 1D stabilizer Hamiltonian; 1D \rightarrow 2D straightforward!



Stabilizer Hamiltonian as the effective Hamiltonian



Ising-interaction pulses with $\tau_1 \equiv \pi/(4J)$:

$$H_{\text{stab}} = e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4} \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z} H_s e^{i\frac{\pi}{4} \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z}$$

state evolution:

$$\rho(0) \xrightarrow{\tau_1 H_{\text{int}}} \xrightarrow{\tau H_s} \xrightarrow{-\tau_1 H_{\text{int}}} \rho(t = \tau + 2\tau_1)$$

pulse-induced effective evolution:

$$e^{-i\tau H_{\text{stab}}} = \exp \left(-i \frac{\pi}{4} \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z \right) e^{-i\tau H_s} \exp \left(i \frac{\pi}{4} \sum_i \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z \right)$$

Note: the ability to switch the interactions on/off is required!

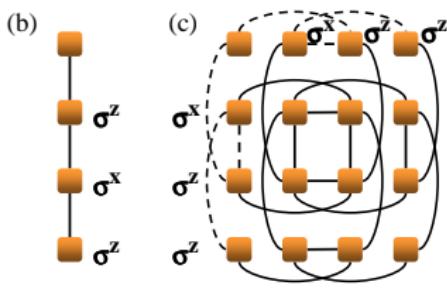
[e.g., G. Wendin and V. S. Shumeiko (2005)]



Stabilizer Hamiltonian from XY-type interactions

main difference from the Ising case: $e^{-i\theta \sum_i (\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y)}$ does not factorize as
 $[\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y, \sigma_{i+1}^x \sigma_{i+2}^x + \sigma_{i+1}^y \sigma_{i+2}^y] \neq 0 \Rightarrow H_{\text{stab}}^{\text{2D}}$ step by step:

1. generate H_{stab} for adjacent qubit pairs
2. connect the pairs to obtain $H_{\text{stab}}^{\text{1D}}$
3. generate multiple $H_{\text{stab}}^{\text{1D}}$ and connect them pairwise into ladders
4. connect the ladders to obtain $H_{\text{stab}}^{\text{2D}}$



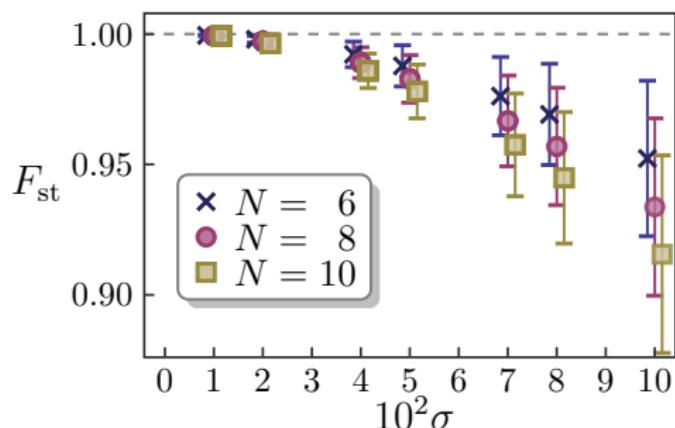
the obtained H_{stab} is **twisted!**
the corresponding cluster state
is twisted too!



Cluster-state fidelity: numerical results in the XY case

$$F_{\text{st}}(\tau) \equiv |\langle \Psi_{00\dots 0} | U_\tau(\delta) | \Psi_{00\dots 0} \rangle|^2$$

$$U_\tau(\delta) \equiv e^{-i\tau H_{\text{stab}}(\pi/4 + \delta)}$$



analytical (perturbative) result:

$$1 - F_{\text{st}} \propto \delta^2 \quad (\delta \ll \pi/4)$$

$$\delta \rightarrow \delta_i \quad (i = 1, \dots, N-1)$$

averaged over **2000** random realizations of the δ_i
taken from a Gaussian distribution of width σ



Conclusions and Outlook

- Local-control approach allows for efficient realization of quantum gates in qubit arrays with XXZ Heisenberg interaction!
- Using quantum control, within only 75 ns a Toffoli gate is predicted to be realized with intrinsic fidelity above 92%!
- 2D cluster states, a universal resource for MQC, can be preserved with high fidelity in XY - and Ising-coupled qubit arrays!

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