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# Many-body strategies for multi-qubit gates

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Exactly Solvable Quantum Chains

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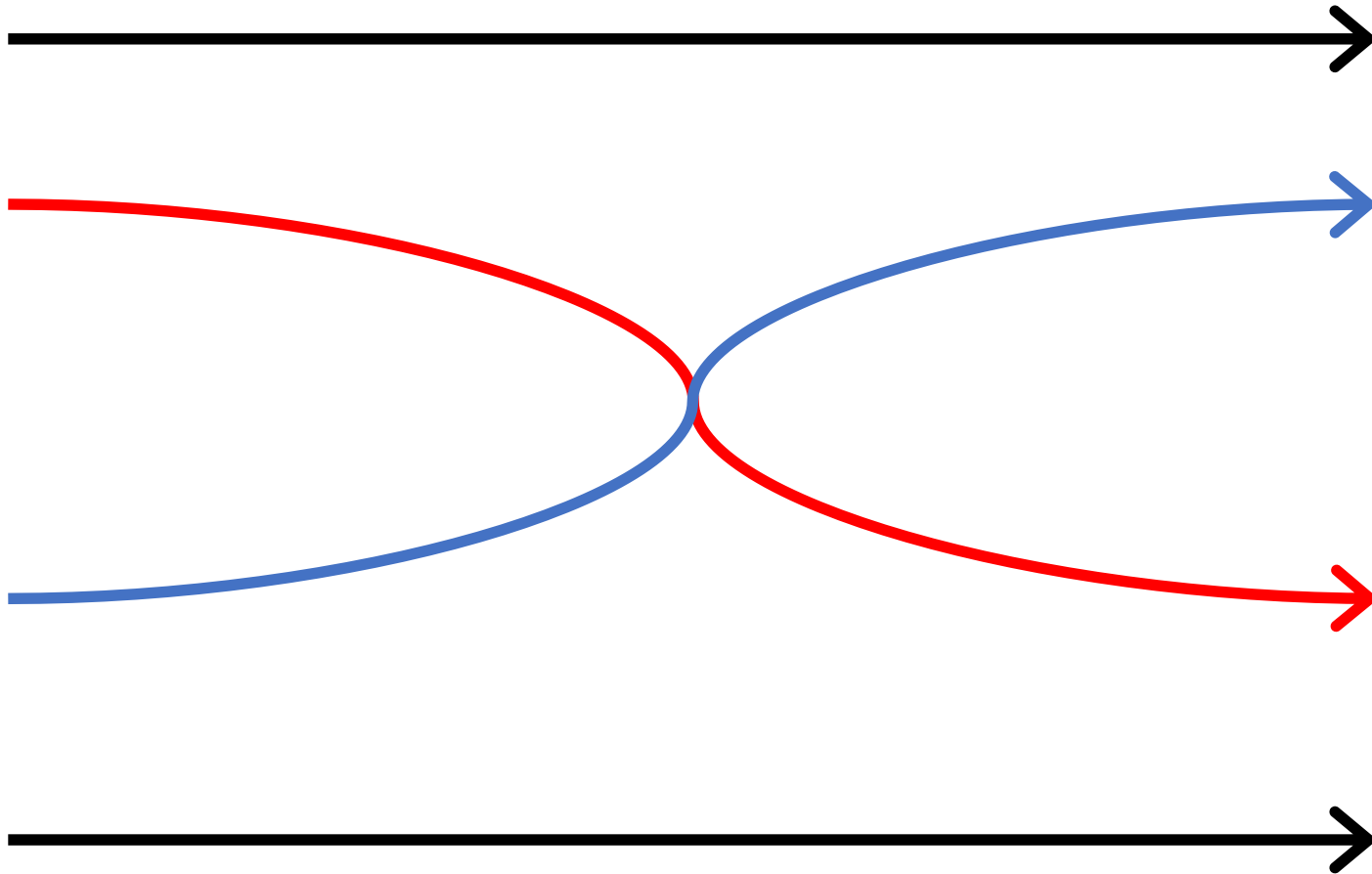
**Quantum Paths (ESI)**

**&**

**Quantum Chains (IIP)**

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quantum paths realize **multi-qubit**  
quantum gates on  $N$ -qubit registers

we realize multi-qubit gates via driven  
dynamics of  $N$  **coupled qubits**

example will be the resonant coupling of  
eigenstates of **Krawtchouk qubit chain**

$$H^K = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{x=0}^n \sqrt{(x+1)(n-x)} [X_x X_{x+1} + Y_x Y_{x+1}]$$

# Quantum Chains

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## Many-body strategies for multiqubit gates: Quantum control through Krawtchouk-chain dynamics

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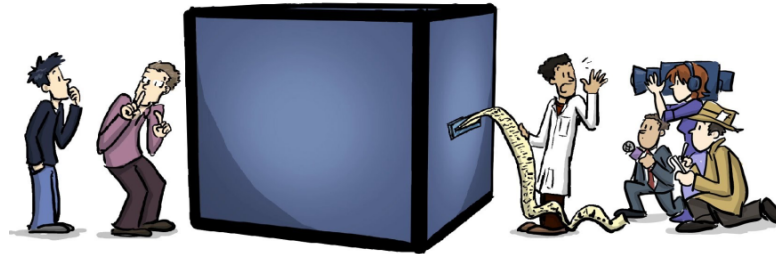
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We propose a strategy for engineering multiqubit quantum gates. As a first step, it employs an *eigengate* to map states in the computational basis to eigenstates of a suitable many-body Hamiltonian. The second step employs resonant driving to enforce a transition between a single pair of eigenstates, leaving all others unchanged. The procedure is completed by mapping back to the computational basis. We demonstrate the strategy for the case of a linear array with an even number  $N$  of qubits, with specific  $XX + YY$  couplings between nearest neighbors. For this so-called Krawtchouk chain, a two-body driving term leads to the  $i\text{SWAP}_N$  gate, which we numerically test for  $N = 4$  and 6.



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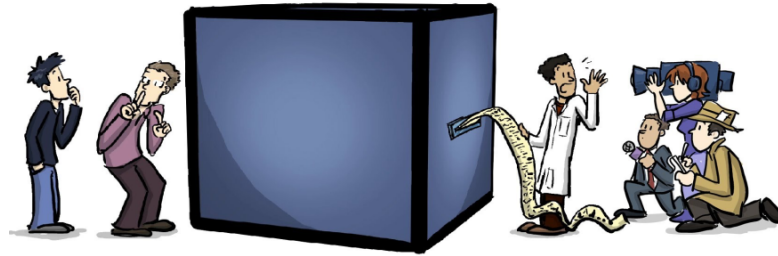
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- background and motivation
- many-body strategies for multi-qubit gates
- quantum control on the Krawtchouk chain

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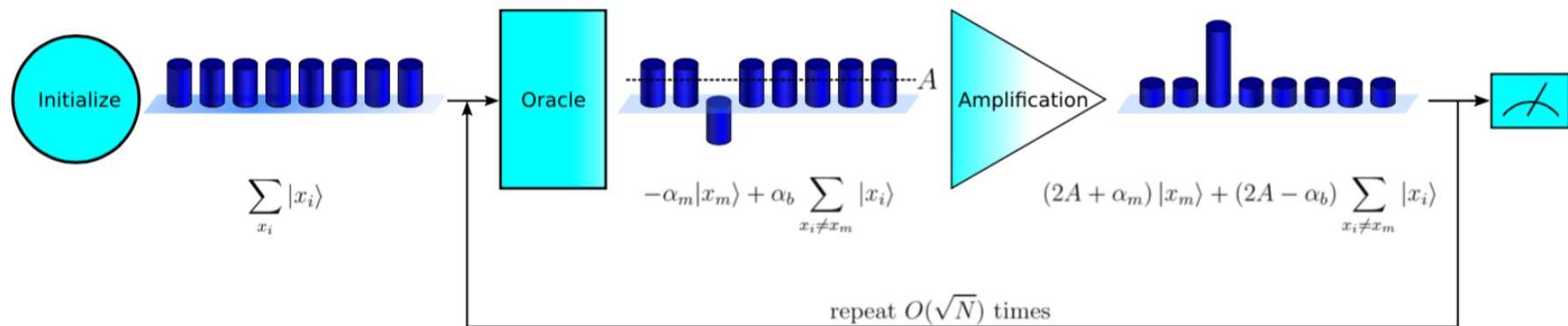
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# **quantum algorithms**

For specific problems quantum algorithms can be made to outperform classical computers by cunningly combining quantum parallelism with interference.

# Grover search algorithm:

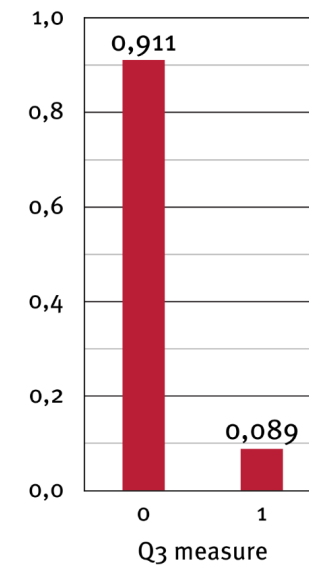
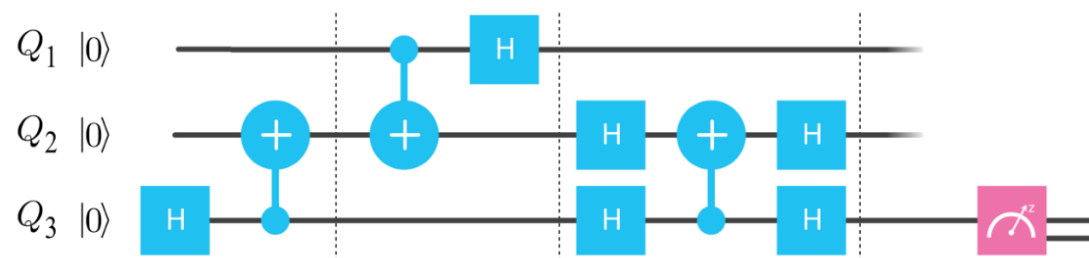
finding tagged element in size- $N$  database in  $O(\sqrt{N})$  steps



# quantum circuit

3-step implementation of quantum algorithm on  $N$ -qubit quantum register

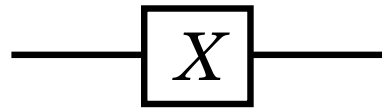
- **initialization**
- **unitary evolution** via quantum gates
- read-out through **measurement**



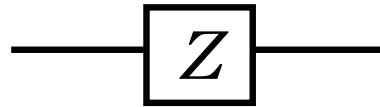
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# quantum gates

- **1-qubit gates:**  $X, Z, H, \dots$



$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



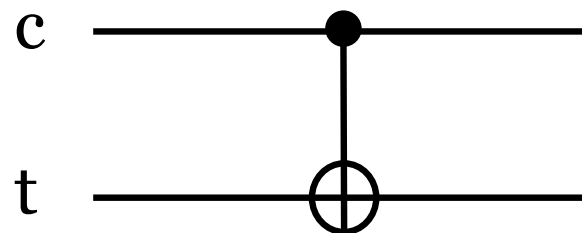
$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



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

- **2-qubit gates:** CNOT,  $XX(\theta)$ , SWAP, ...

CNOT:



flips target qubit  $t$   
iff control qubit  $c$  is  
in state  $|1\rangle$

# universal gate sets

## **strong universality:**

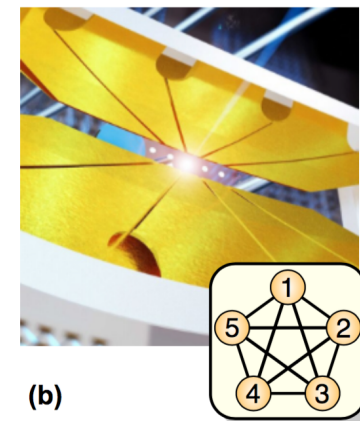
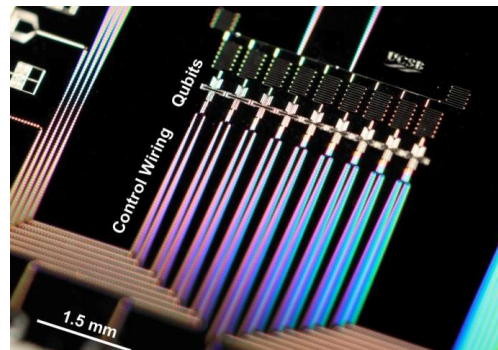
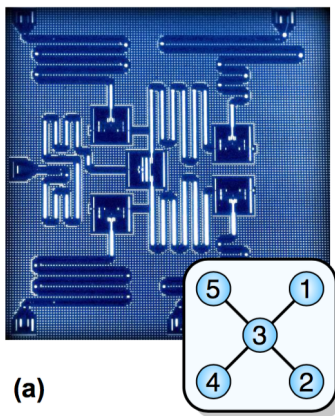
all  $N$ -qubit unitaries can be built from CNOTs  
plus sufficiently many 1-qubit gates

*all quantum paths can be realized via quantum  
circuits with 1- and 2-qubit gates*



# state of the art

quantum hardware has progressed to the point that programmable qubit platforms with up to some 20 qubits are available → real-world testing of few-qubit quantum algorithms!



# native gates and quantum compiling

- **native gate libraries**

the 1-qubit and 2-qubit interactions that are natural for a given qubit platform lead to a 'native gate library'.

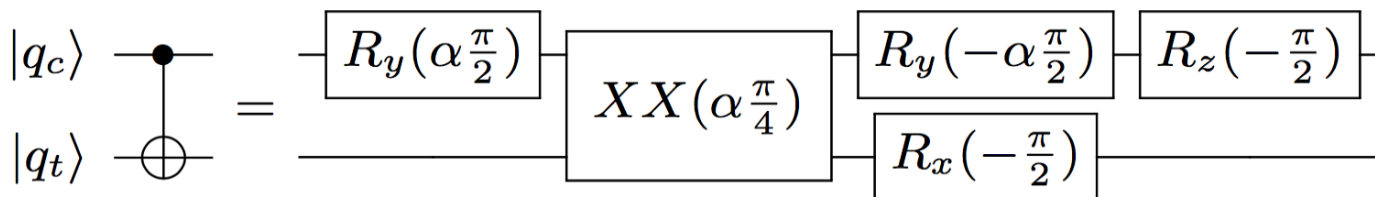
- **quantum compiling**

expressing universal gates in native gates

**example:** native gate library for trapped ions

- all 1-qubit rotations  $R_\alpha(\theta)$

- 2-qubit gates  $X_i X_j(\theta)$



# Complete 3-Qubit Grover Search on a Programmable Quantum Computer

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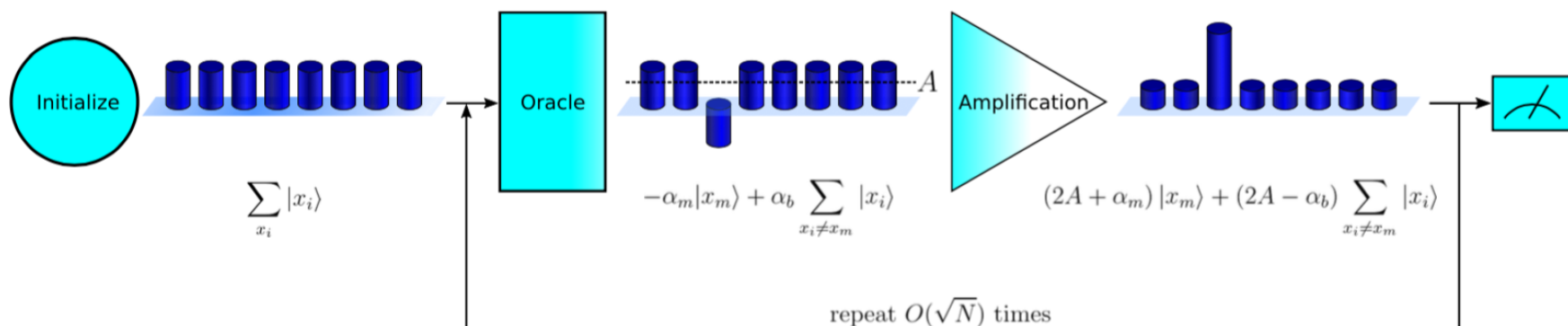
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**Grover search:** finding tagged element  
in size- $N$  database in  $O(\sqrt{N})$  steps



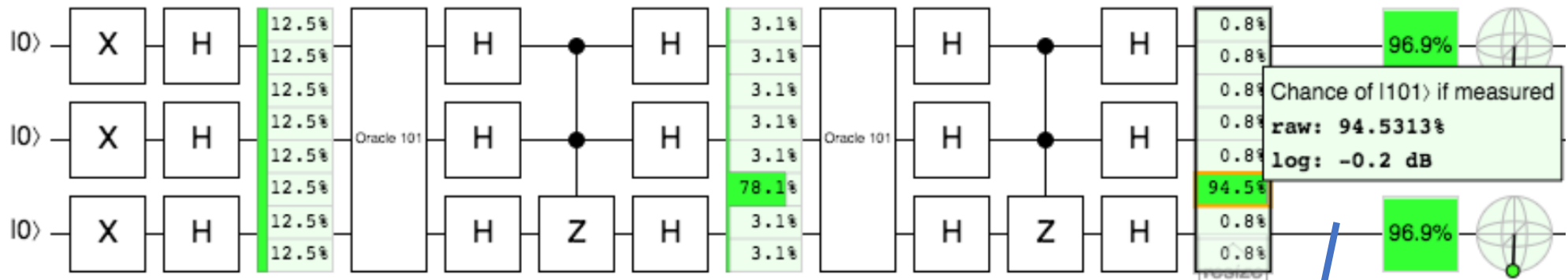
(b)



# 3-qubit Grover search

quantum circuit on Quirk simulator:

finds 1 tagged element out of 8 in two steps



Oracle tagging the element  $|101\rangle$

Initializing the qubits to  $|0\rangle$

read-out gives tagged element  $|101\rangle$  with 94.5% chance

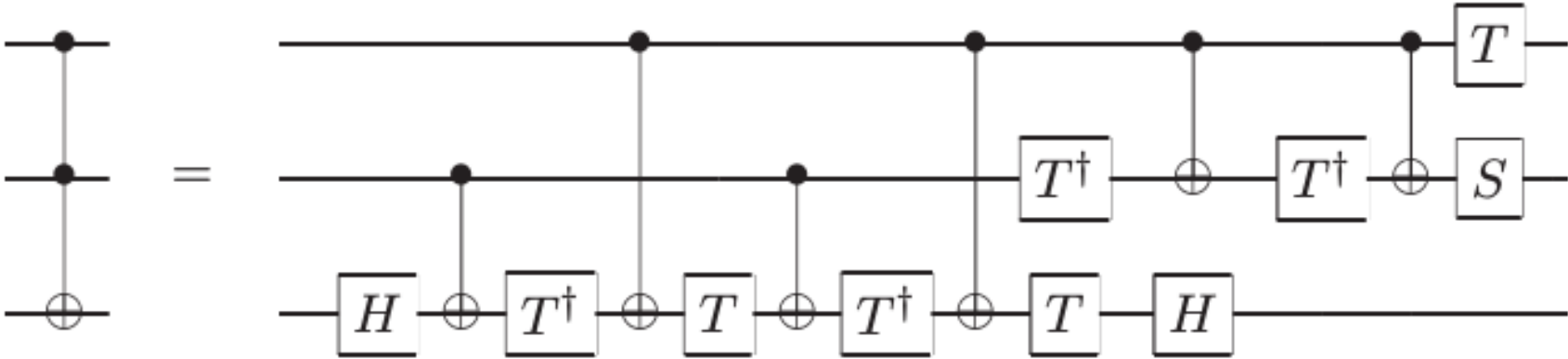
# multi-qubit gates

- quantum algorithms such as Grover search use gates like

CCNOT (Toffoli), CCZ, ... ,  $C^{N-1}\text{NOT}$ ,  $C^{N-1}\text{Z}$ , etc

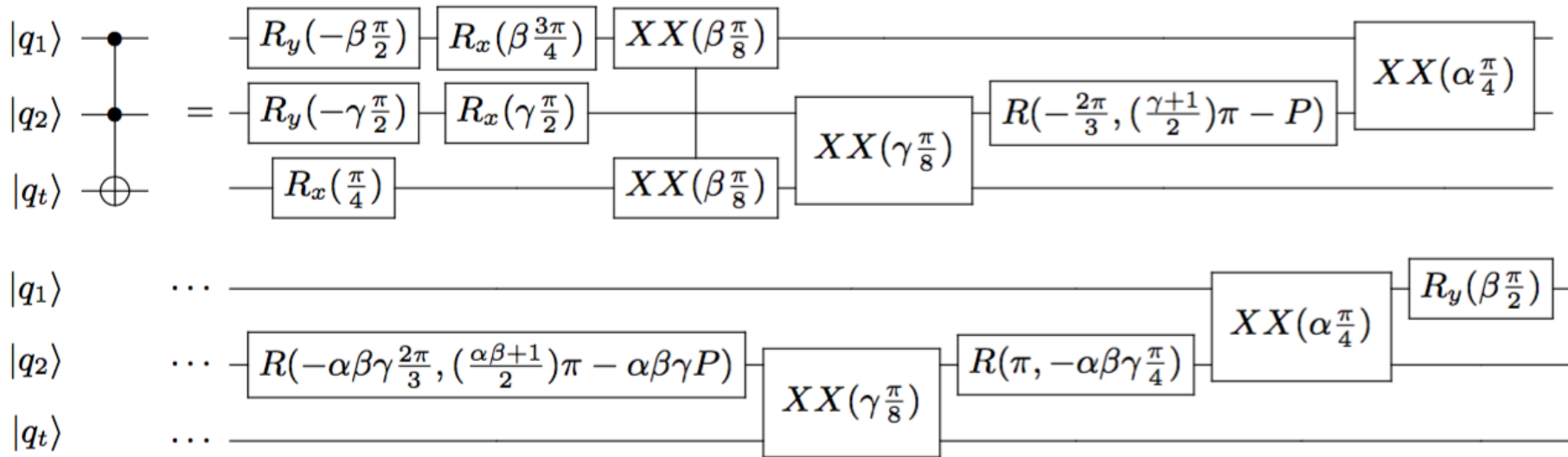
- building these from 1-qubit and 2-qubit gates requires lengthy circuits

# multi-qubit gates



Toffoli-3 using standard Clifford + T gate library

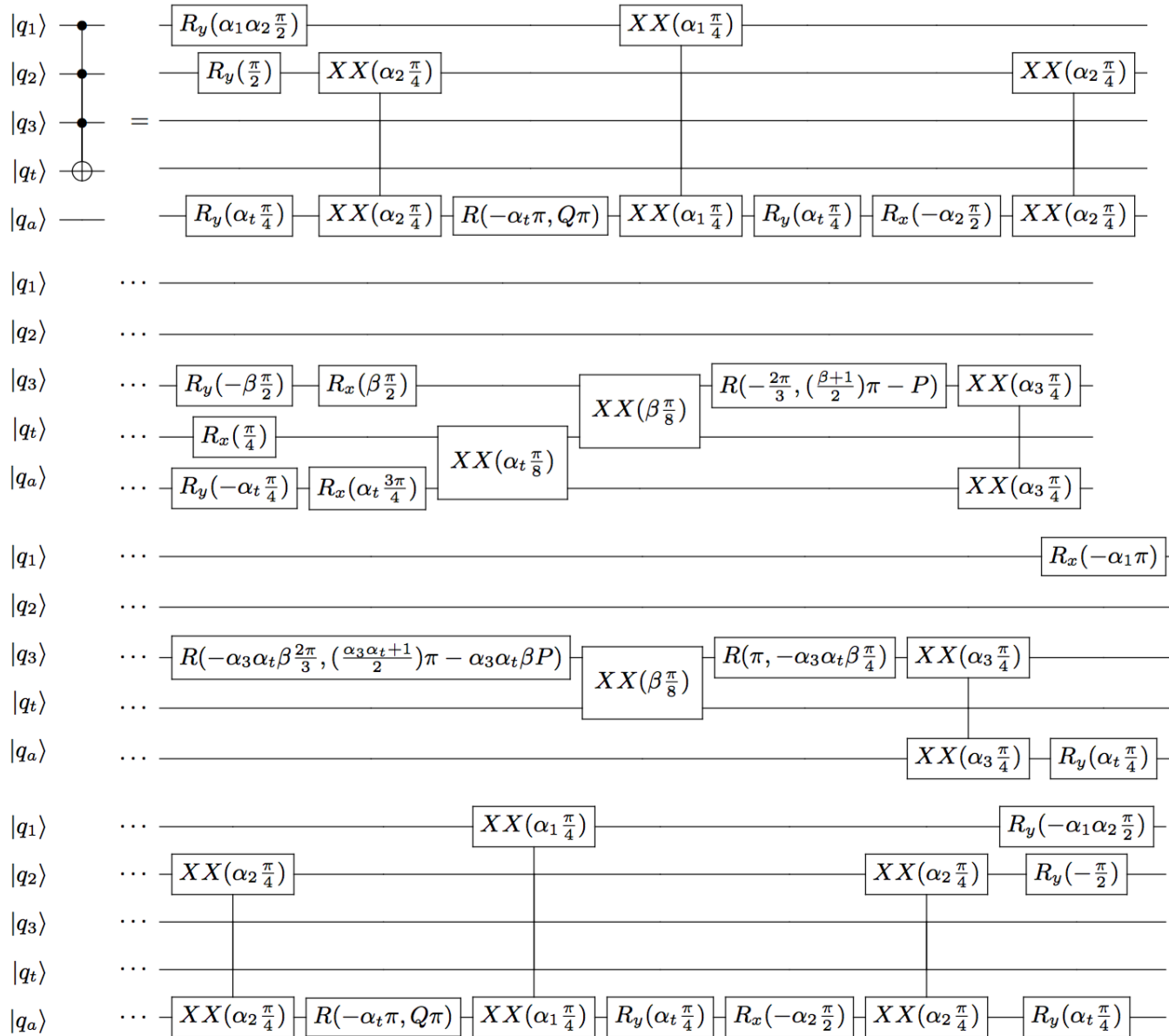
# multi-qubit gates



Toffoli-3 using XX/R gate library

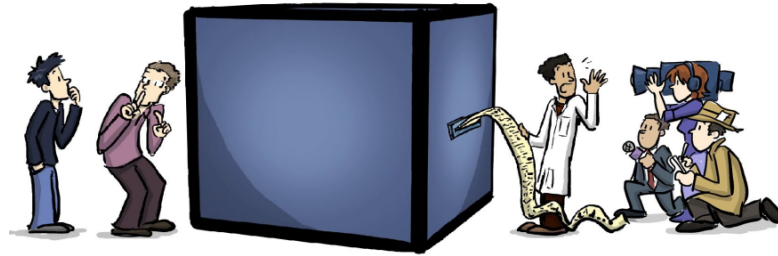
# multi-qubit gates

Toffoli-4 using XX/R gate library





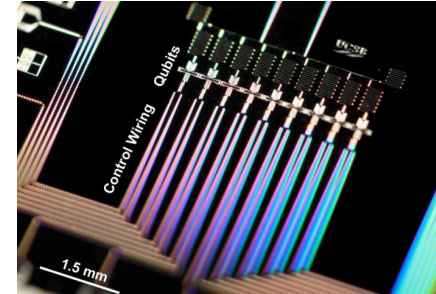
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# many-body strategies



## idea

couple  $N$  qubits, leading to a many-body spectrum

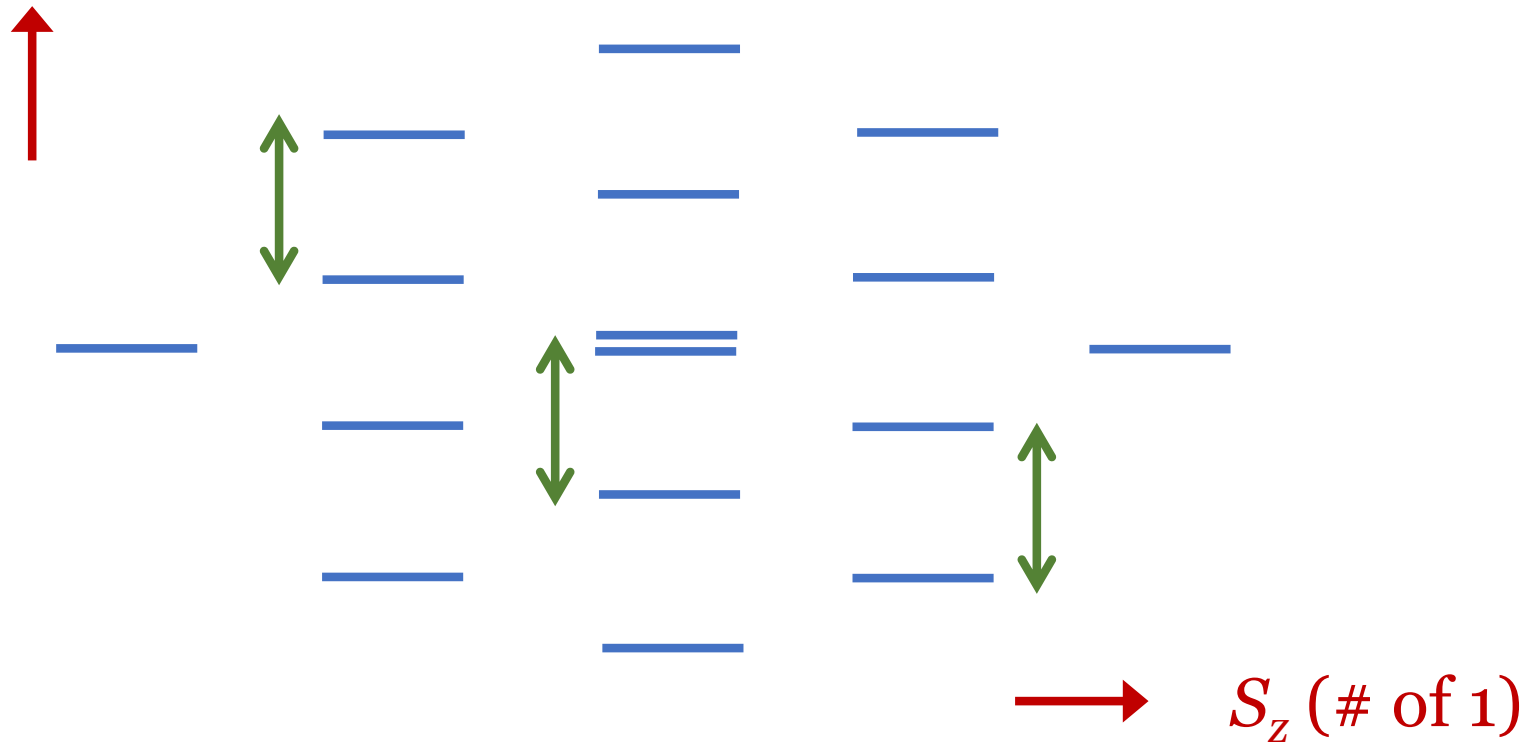
## proposed protocol

- Step 1.** Apply quantum circuit for *eigengate* to produce eigenstates from states in computational basis.
- Step 2.** Use resonant driving to selectively couple and interchange 2 out of  $2^N$  eigenstates.
- Step 3.** Apply eigengate to return to computational basis.

**step 0:**

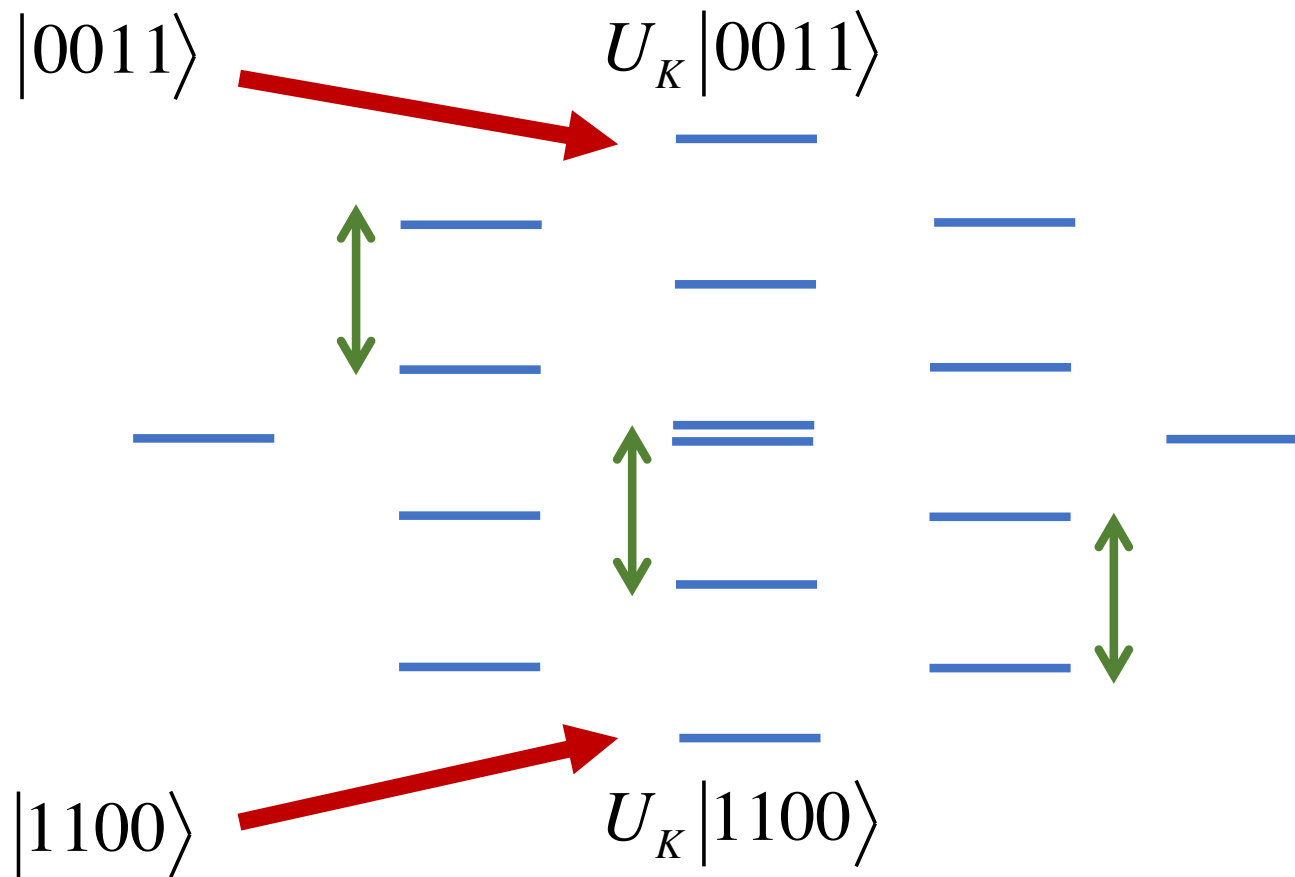
**many-body energy spectrum ( $N=4$ )**

energy



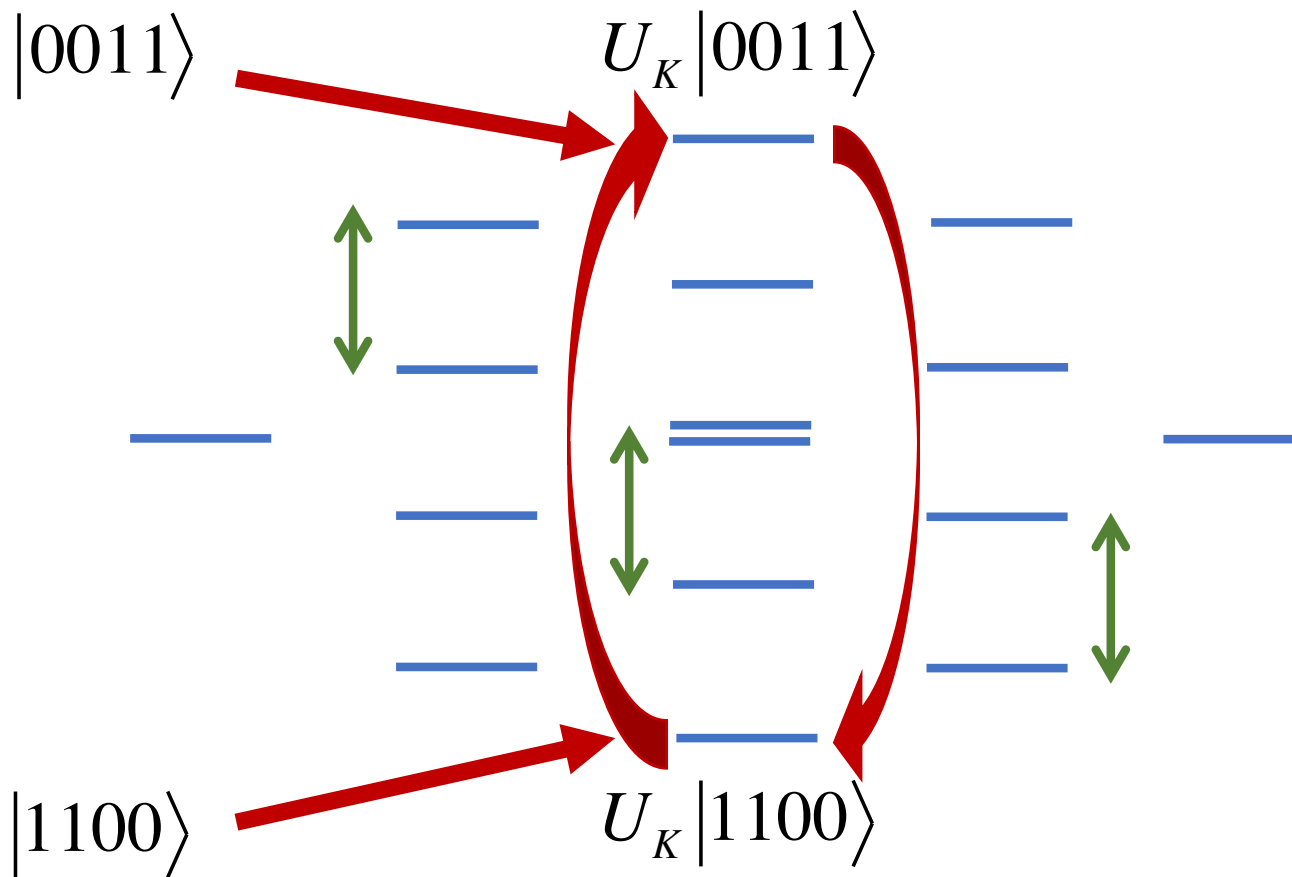
**step 1:**

**eigengate  $U_K$**  maps computational basis to eigenstates



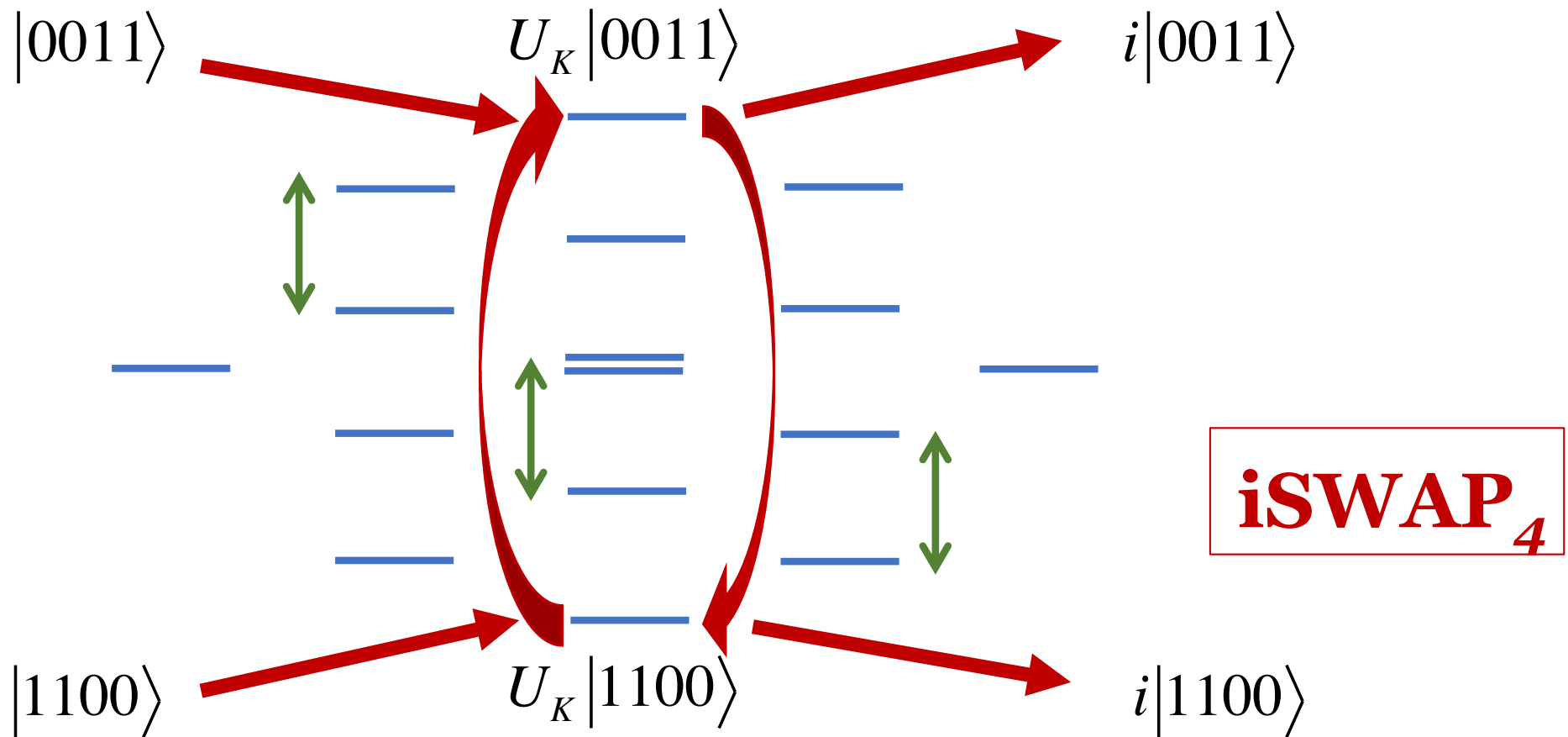
**step 2:**

**resonant driving** interchanges a single pair of eigenstates

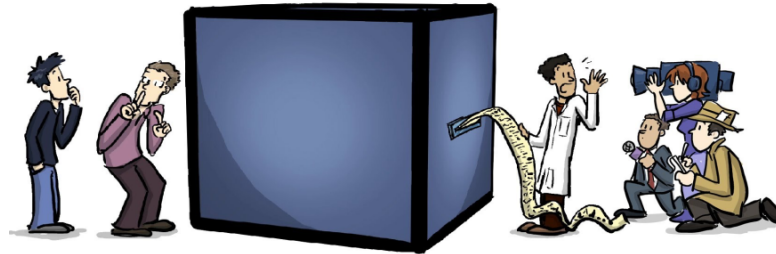


### step 3:

inverse eigengate  $U_K$  maps back to computational basis



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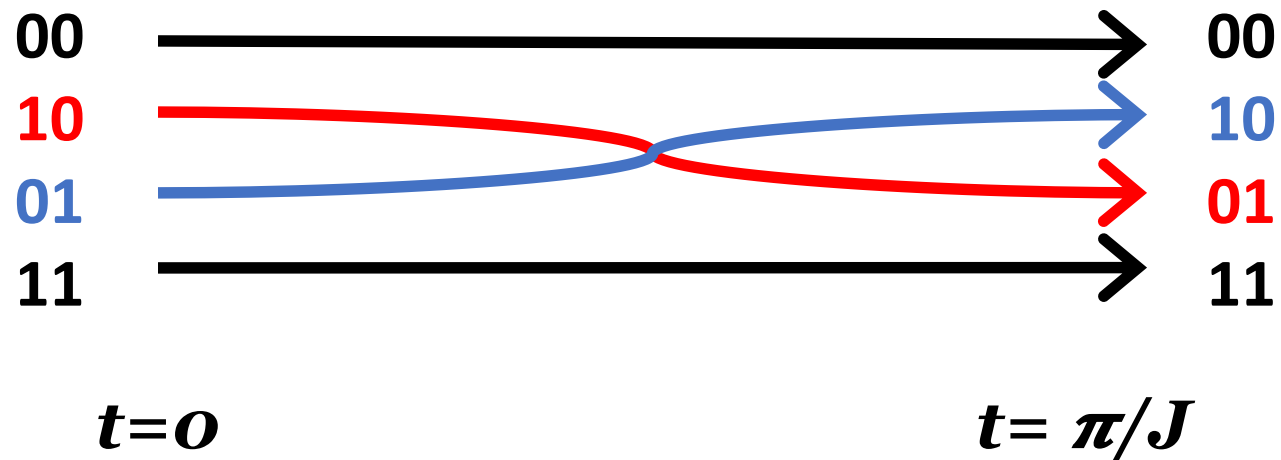
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## 2-qubit $XX+YY$ coupling

$$H^{(2)} = -\frac{J}{2}(X_1X_2 + Y_1Y_2)$$

$t=\pi/J$  pulse of  $H^{(2)}$  gives gate  $i\text{SWAP}_2$

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle, |01\rangle \rightarrow i|10\rangle, |10\rangle \rightarrow i|01\rangle, |11\rangle \rightarrow |11\rangle$$





## Krawtchouk chain ( $N=n+1$ )

$$H^K = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{x=0}^n \sqrt{(x+1)(n-x)} [X_x X_{x+1} + Y_x Y_{x+1}]$$

- 1-body energies are all commensurate

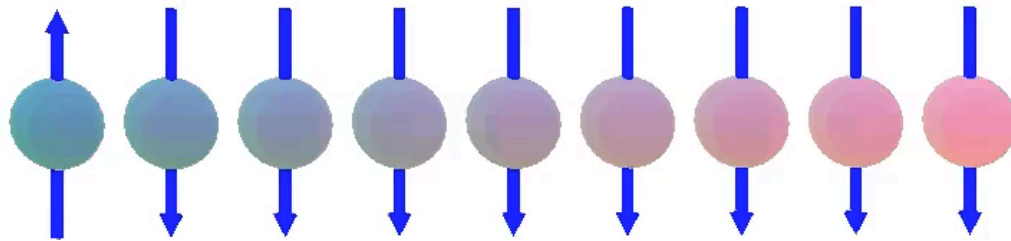
$$\lambda_k = J\left(k - \frac{N-1}{2}\right), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

- many-body energies are (free) sums of 1-body energies thanks to mapping to free fermions

# Krawtchouk chain dynamics, I

Time evolution over time  $t^* = \pi/J$  gives  
Perfect State Transfer (PST) for state with  
single 'particle' or 'spin-flip'

Christandl-Datta-Ekert-Landahl 2004



animation:  
van der Jeugt

# Krawtchouk chain dynamics, II

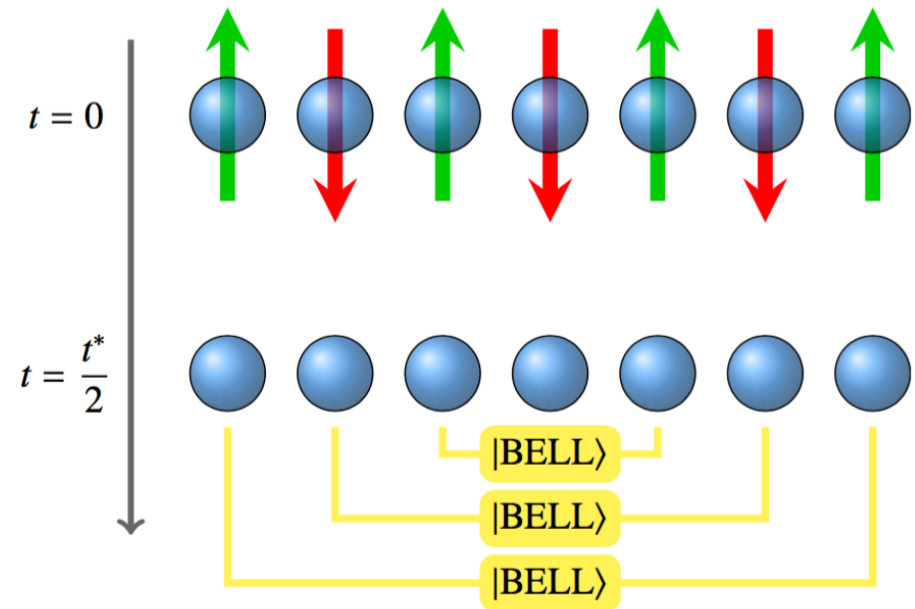
pulse of time  $t^*/2 = \pi/(2J)$

on Néel state  $|1010\dots\rangle$

generates **Rainbow state**:

nested Bell pairs with  
maximal block entanglement

entropy  $S_{LR} = N/2 \ln(2)$



Alkurtass-Banchi-Bose 2014

# Krawtchouk chain, details ( $N=n+1$ )

$$H^K = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{x=0}^n \sqrt{(x+1)(n-x)} [X_x X_{x+1} + Y_x Y_{x+1}]$$

- 1-body spectrum

$$\lambda_k = J\left(k - \frac{N-1}{2}\right), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

- eigenstates

$$|\{k\}\rangle_{H^K} = \sum_{x=0}^n \phi_{k,x}^{(n)} |\{x\}\rangle \quad \phi_{k,x}^{(n)} = K_{k,x}^{(n)} \sqrt{\frac{\binom{n}{x}}{\binom{n}{k} 2^n}}$$

with  $K^{(n)}$  the **Krawtchouk polynomials**

$$K_{k,x}^{(n)} = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j \binom{x}{j} \binom{n-x}{k-j}$$

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- mapping to free fermions through Jordan-Wigner transformation

$$\frac{1}{2}(X_j + iY_j) = \prod_{i=0}^{j-1} (1 - 2n_i) f_j \quad \frac{1}{2}(X_j - iY_j) = \prod_{i=0}^{j-1} (1 - 2n_i) f_j^+$$

- many-body eigenstates built from fermionic eigenmodes

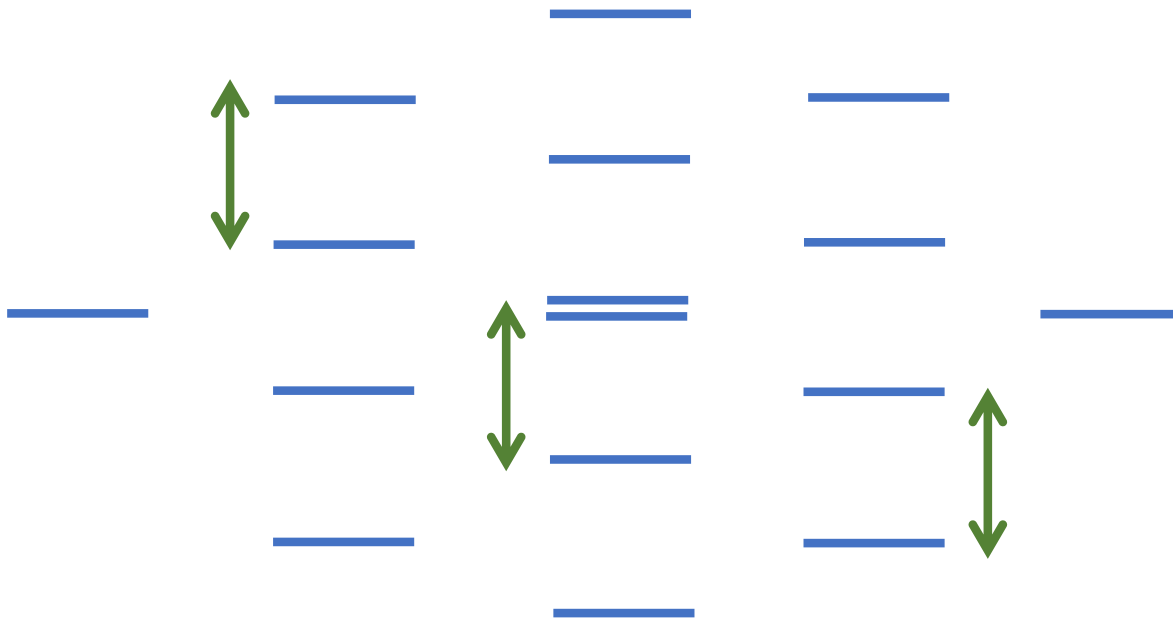
$$c_k^+ = \sum_{j=0}^n \phi_{k,j}^{(n)} f_j^+$$

# Krawtchouk chain energy spectrum ( $N=4$ )

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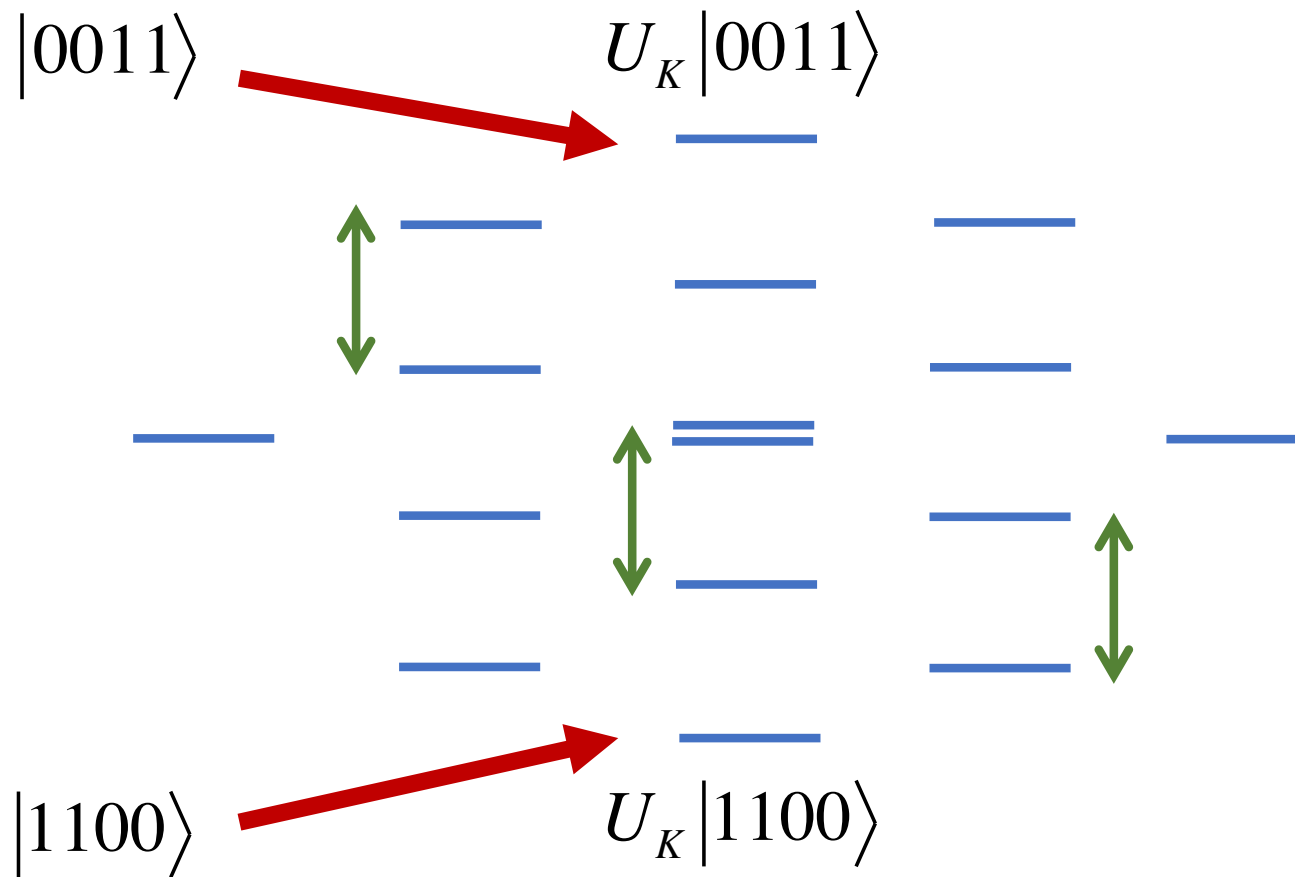


$S_z$  (# of 1)



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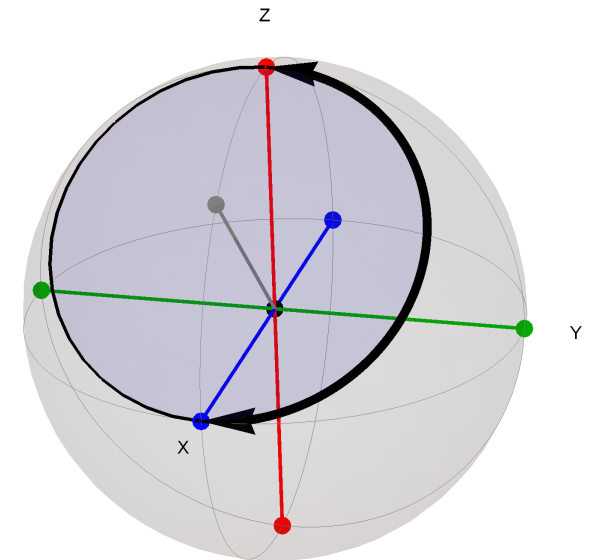
# Krawtchouk eigengate

- exact *eigengate* for Krawtchouk chain eigenstates

$$U_K = \exp\left(-i \frac{\pi (H^K + H^Z)}{J \sqrt{2}}\right)$$

with

$$H^Z = \frac{J}{2} \sum_{x=0}^n \left(x - \frac{n}{2}\right) (I - Z)_x$$



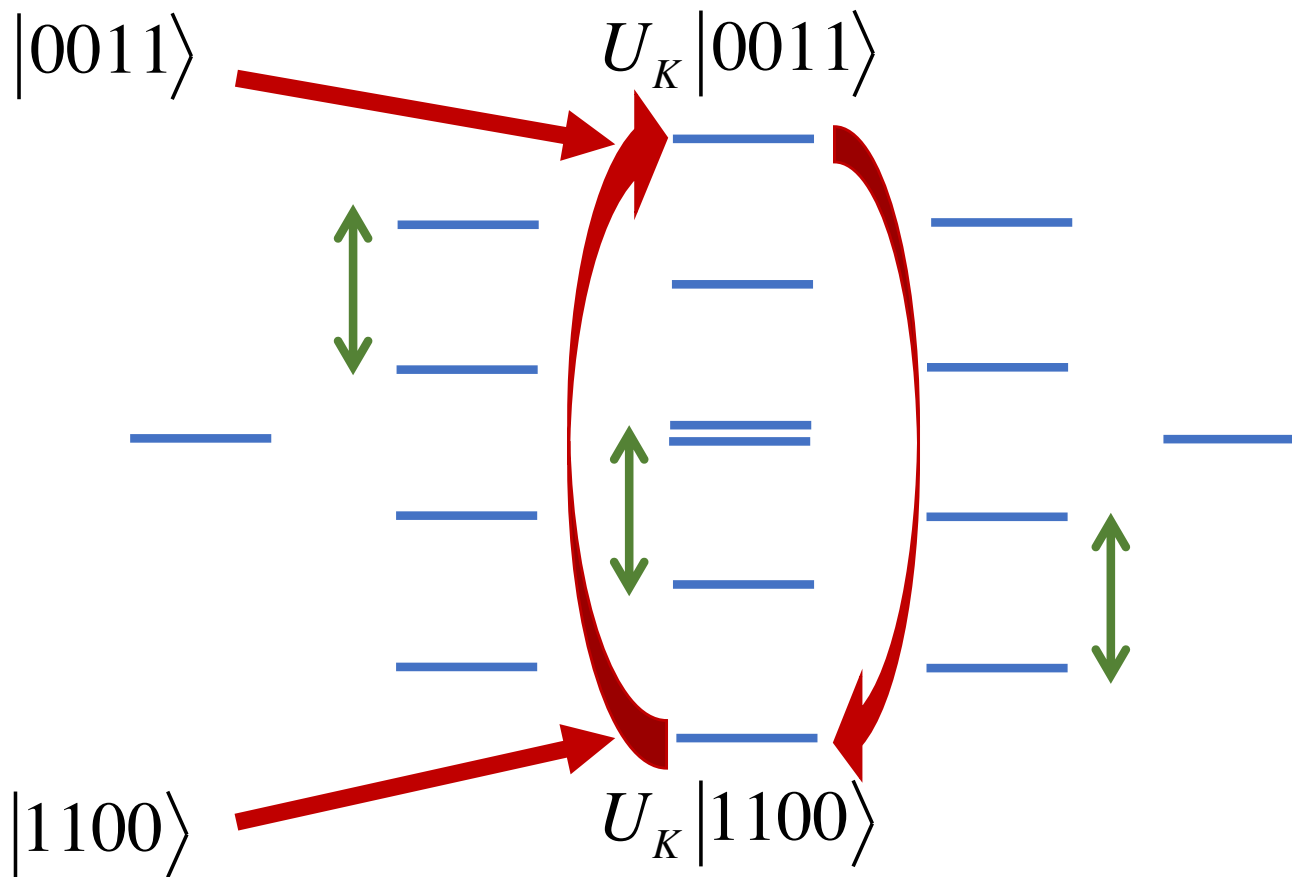
- proof: use angular momentum commutation relations of Krawtchouk operators  $L_X = H^K$  and  $L_Z = H^Z$  to show that

$$U_K H^Z = H^K U_K$$



**step 2:**

**resonant driving** interchanges a single pair of eigenstates



## multi-qubit gate: $i\text{SWAP}_N$

- need driving term  $H_D(t)$  that resonantly couples the

highest energy state  $U_K|00\dots01\dots11\rangle$

to the

lowest energy state  $U_K|11\dots10\dots00\rangle$

- need to annihilate the fermionic modes with  $\lambda_k > 0$  and create the fermionic modes with  $\lambda_k < 0$  (or  $\lambda_k \leq 0$ )
- can be done by suitable 1-qubit or 2-qubit operator (!)

# multi-qubit gate: $i\text{SWAP}_N$

- $N$  odd,  $N=n+1$ , need to couple

$$U_K |0^{n/2+1} 1^{n/2}\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad U_K |1^{n/2+1} 0^{n/2}\rangle$$

- need to

annihilate the  $n/2$  fermionic modes with  $\lambda_k > 0$

and

create the  $n/2+1$  modes with  $\lambda_k \leq 0$

- can be done by the 1-qubit operator

$$\sigma_{n/2}^- = [1 - 2f_1^+ f_1] \dots [1 - 2f_{n/2-1}^+ f_{n/2-1}] f_{n/2}^+$$

## multi-qubit gate: $i\text{SWAP}_N$

- $N$  odd,  $N=n+1$ , matrix element for single qubit resonant driving

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle 1^{n/2+1} 0^{n/2} \left| U_K \sigma_{n/2}^- U_K \right| 0^{n/2+1} 1^{n/2} \right\rangle \\ &= 2^{n/2} \left| \phi_{\{0, \dots, n/2\}, \{0, \dots, n/2\}}^{(n)} \right| \left| \phi_{\{0, \dots, n/2-1\}, \{n/2+1, \dots, n\}}^{(n)} \right| \\ &= \dots \\ &= (-2)^{-n^2/4} \end{aligned}$$

- exponential decay implies that driving time for resonant transition grows quickly with  $N$

## multi-qubit gate: $i\text{SWAP}_N$

- $N$  even, need to couple

$$U_K |0^{N/2} 1^{N/2}\rangle \text{ to } U_K |1^{N/2} 0^{N/2}\rangle$$

- need to

annihilate the  $N/2$  fermionic modes with  $\lambda_k > 0$

and

create the  $N/2$  fermionic modes with  $\lambda_k < 0$

- can be done by the 2-qubit operator

$$\sigma_j^- \sigma_{j+N/2}^+ = f_j^+ [1 - 2f_{j+1}^+ f_{j+1}] \dots [1 - 2f_{j+N/2-1}^+ f_{j+N/2-1}] f_{j+N/2}$$

# multi-qubit gate: $i\text{SWAP}_N$

- for  $N=6$ : matrix element

$$\langle 111000 | U_K (\sigma_1^+ \sigma_4^- - \sigma_4^+ \sigma_1^-) U_K | 000111 \rangle = \frac{5}{32}$$

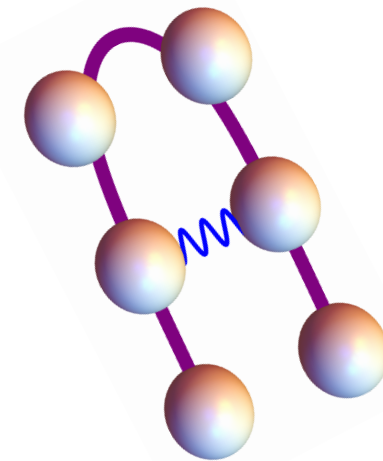
- resonant driving term

$$H_D^{(1,-)}(t) = i J_D \cos[9Jt] [\sigma_1^+ \sigma_4^- - \sigma_4^+ \sigma_1^-]$$

- conditions on driving time  $\tau_D$

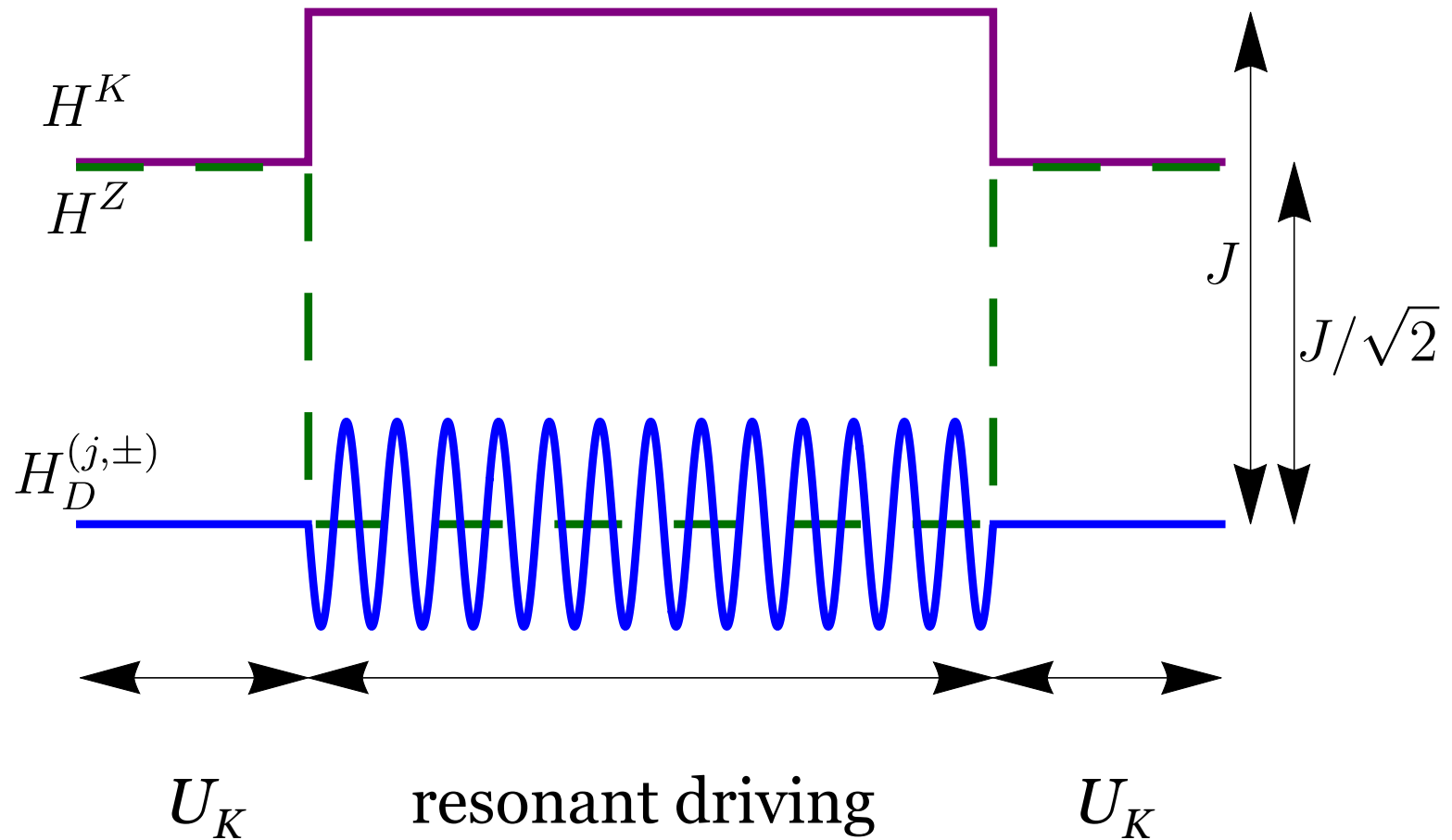
$$\tau_D (5J_D / 64) = \pi / 2 \quad \tau_D = M(2\pi / J)$$

so that (in leading order)  $|000111\rangle$  and  $|111000\rangle$  are interchanged and all dynamical phases return to 1

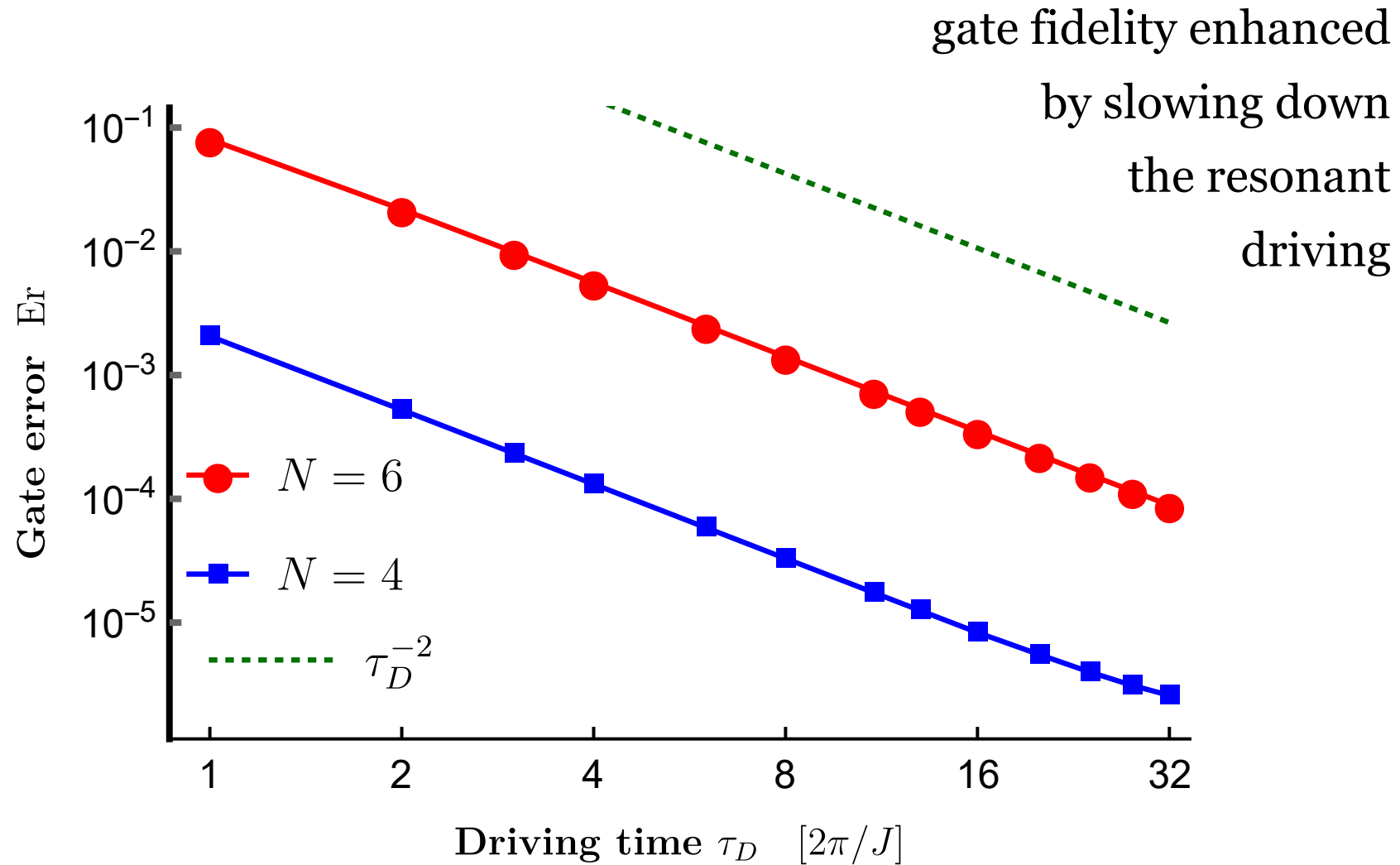


# many-body protocol for $i\text{SWAP}_6$

$$|000111\rangle \rightarrow i|111000\rangle, \quad |111000\rangle \rightarrow i|000111\rangle$$



# fidelities for $i\text{SWAP}_4$ and $i\text{SWAP}_6$





## multi-qubit gates ...

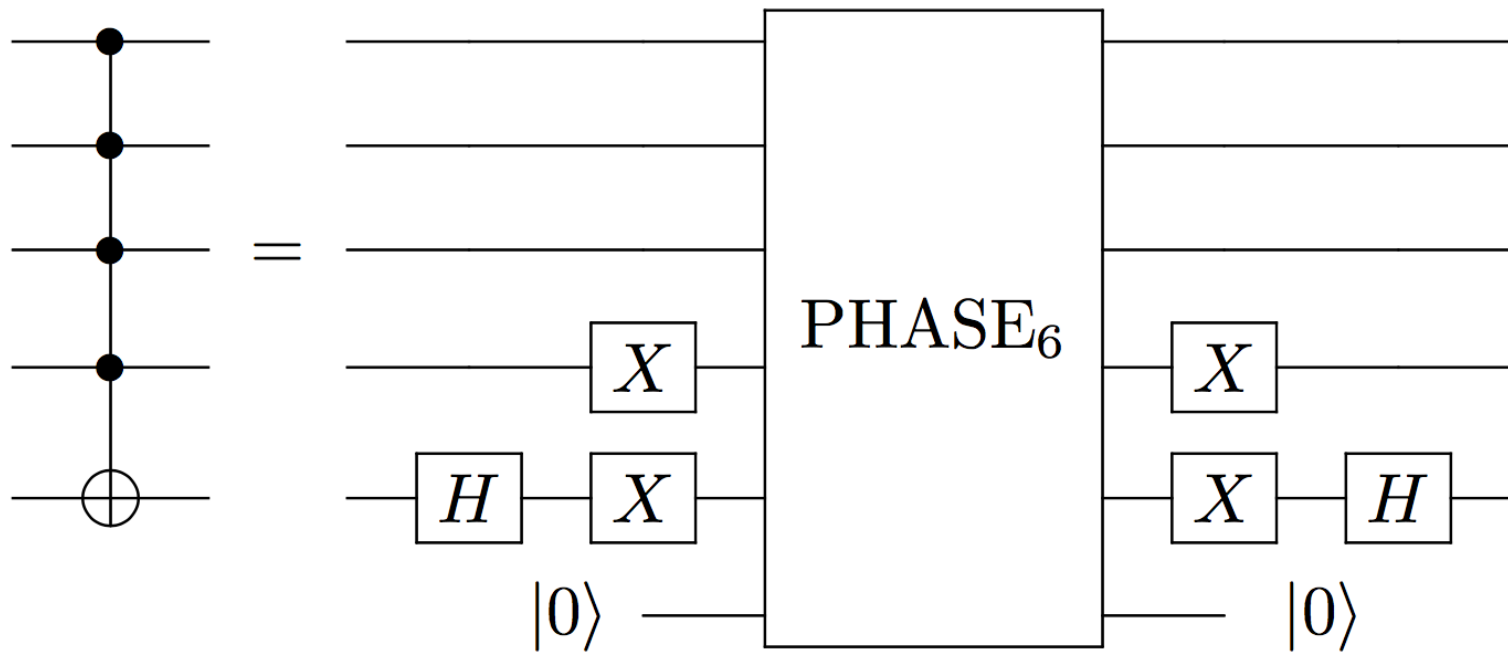
combining Krawtchouk pulse with **resonant driving**  
produces  $N$ -qubit gate **iSWAP<sub>N</sub>**

$$\begin{aligned} |000\dots111\dots\rangle &\rightarrow i |111\dots000\dots\rangle, \\ |111\dots000\dots\rangle &\rightarrow i |000\dots111\dots\rangle \end{aligned}$$

double-time **iSWAP<sub>N</sub>** gives **PHASE<sub>N</sub>**

$$\begin{aligned} |000\dots111\dots\rangle &\rightarrow - |000\dots111\dots\rangle, \\ |111\dots000\dots\rangle &\rightarrow - |111\dots000\dots\rangle \end{aligned}$$

# multi-qubit gates ...



Toffoli-5 using double strength  $i\text{SWAP}_6$  gate called PHASE<sub>6</sub>

# Outlook

further results (with Koen Groenland)

- sensitivity to noise
- various optimizations
- other systems, such as Polychronakos/Frahm spin chains with inverse-square exchange
- ...

# Outlook

questions, questions ...

- for large  $N$ , our gate times grow rapidly due to suppression of matrix elements – can this be avoided?
- fundamental ‘speed limits’ for quantum gates – given the maximum strength of qubit-qubit interactions, how much time is needed to achieve a gate?