

# Geometrical causality: casting Feynman integrals into quantum algorithms.



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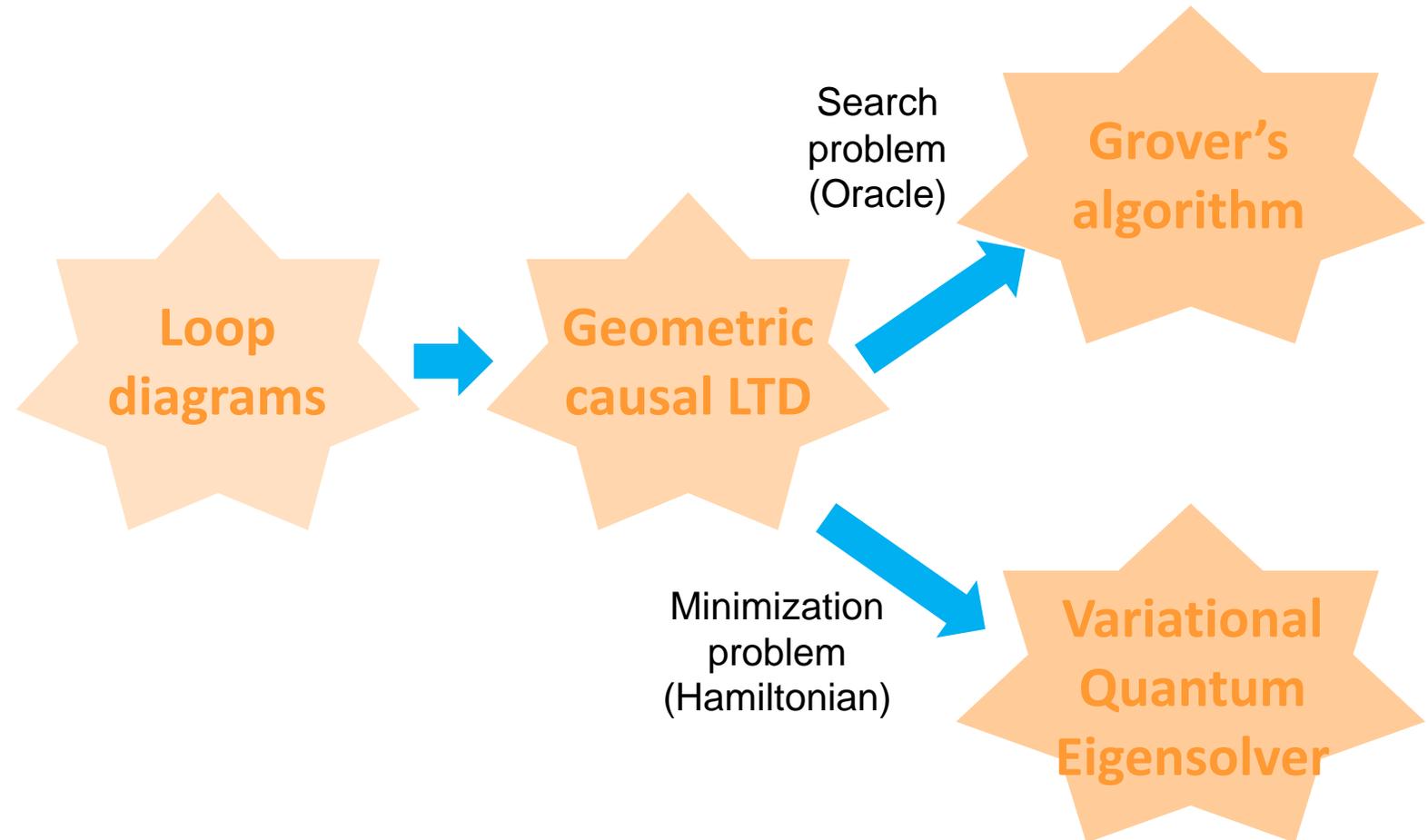


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1. Motivation
2. Loop-Tree Duality
  - A. Causality from residues
  - B. Geometrical causality
3. Quantum algorithms for HEP
  - A. Grover's search algorithm
  - B. Hamiltonian minimization
4. Conclusions





- Data extracted from particle colliders must be confronted with theoretical models

Small effects can be discovered only if theoretical predictions match experimental accuracy...

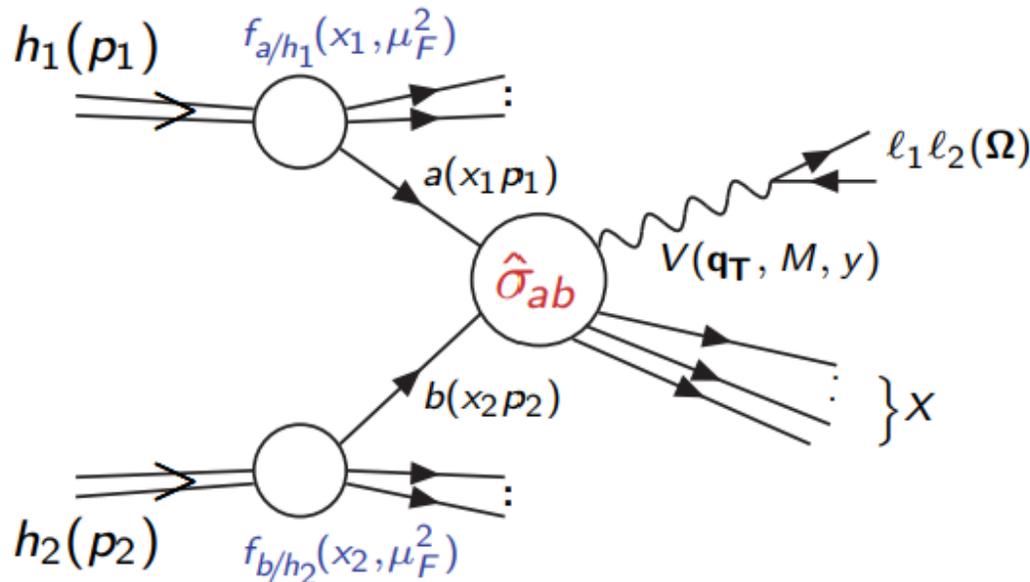
- What we need to calculate? Cross-sections and production/decay rates at colliders
- How to calculate? Use the parton model and SM (or other QFT...)



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d^2\vec{q}_T dM^2 d\Omega dy} = \sum_{a,b} \int dx_1 dx_2 \underbrace{f_a^{h_1}(x_1) f_b^{h_2}(x_2)}_{\text{PDFs (non-perturbative)}} \underbrace{\frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow V+X}}{d^2\vec{q}_T dM^2 d\Omega dy}}_{\text{Partonic cross-section (perturbative)}}$$

PDFs  
(non-perturbative)

Partonic cross-section  
(perturbative)



- Intermediate steps contain mathematical issues
- Need for regularization ➡ **DREG**
- It changes the number of **space-time dimensions** in order to **achieve integrability**

$$\mathcal{O}_d[F] = \int d^d\mathbf{x} F(\mathbf{x}) \quad d = 4 - 2\varepsilon$$

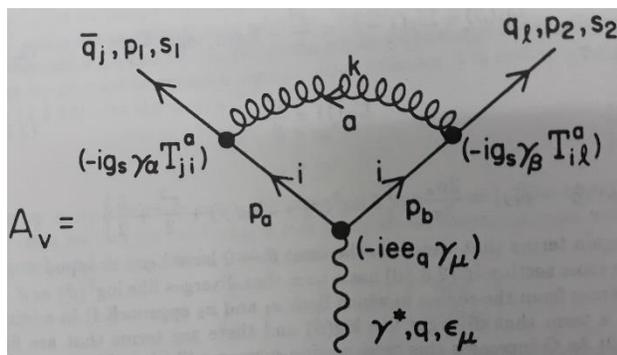


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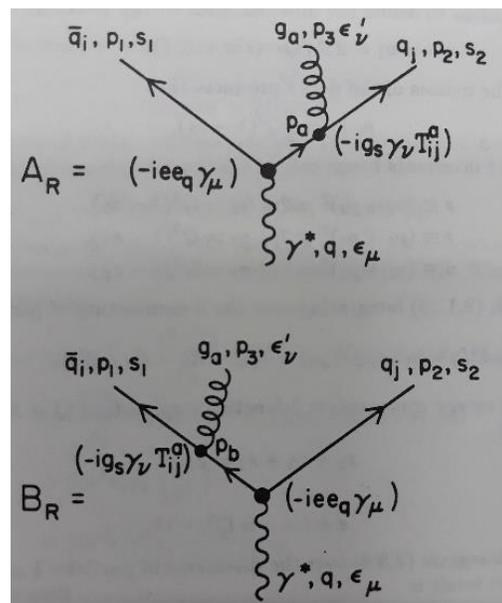
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*Appears **after** integration*

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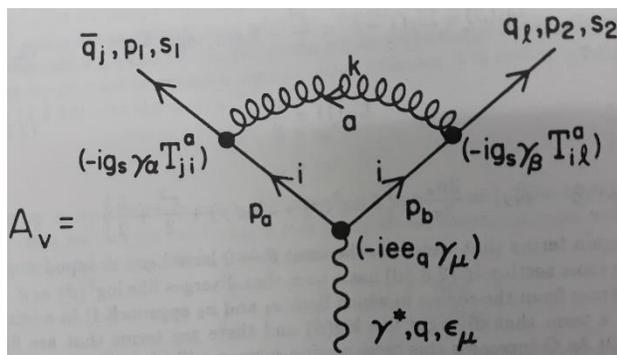
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**Several bottlenecks make it difficult to increase the precision (phase-space integrals, loop integrals, singularities)**

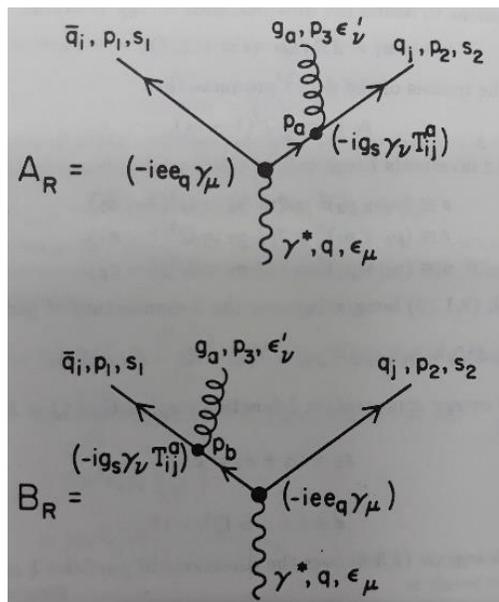
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## PROBLEM

Loop integrals are hard to compute (specially, in closed analytical form) and they live in a space different than real corrections.

## QUESTION

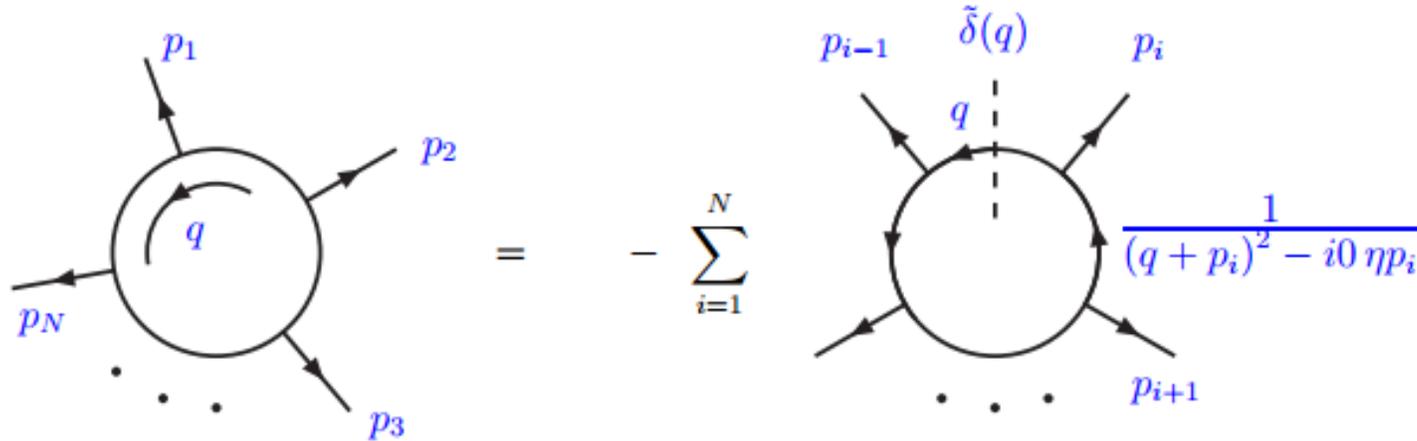
Can we do something to combine them?

## ANSWER

We can use...

**Loop-Tree Duality!**





Graphical representation of one-loop opening into trees (original idea by Catani et al '08)

**LOOP AMPLITUDES**

- *Virtual internal momenta*
- *Defined in Minkowski space-time*



**Loop-Tree Duality**



**DUAL AMPLITUDES**

- *On-shell cut momenta*
- *Defined in Euclidean space-time*

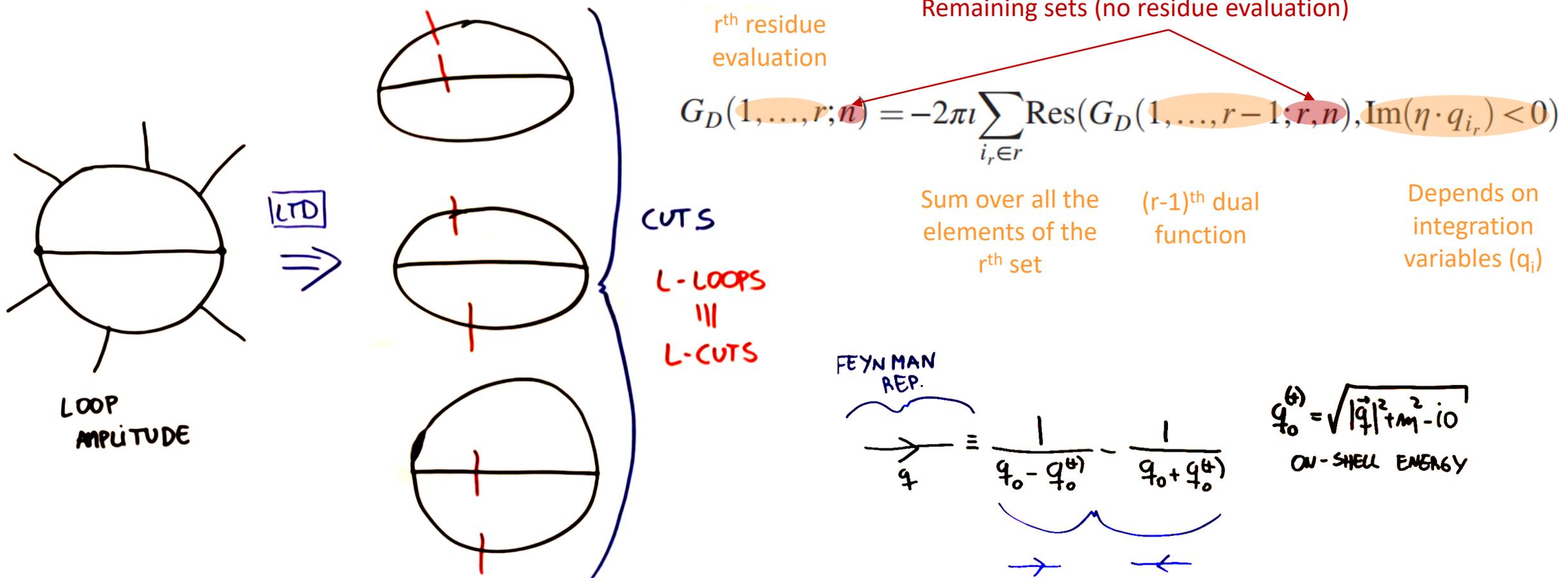
## Advantages

- **Real-radiation** contributions are defined in **Euclidean space** (i.e. phase-space integrals)
- Finite loop integrals **numerically integrable** (adding local counter-terms), **just like phase-space ones**
- **We can combine real and virtual (plus local counter-terms) in a single finite and integrable expression!!**

# Tackling the loops: Loop-Tree Duality



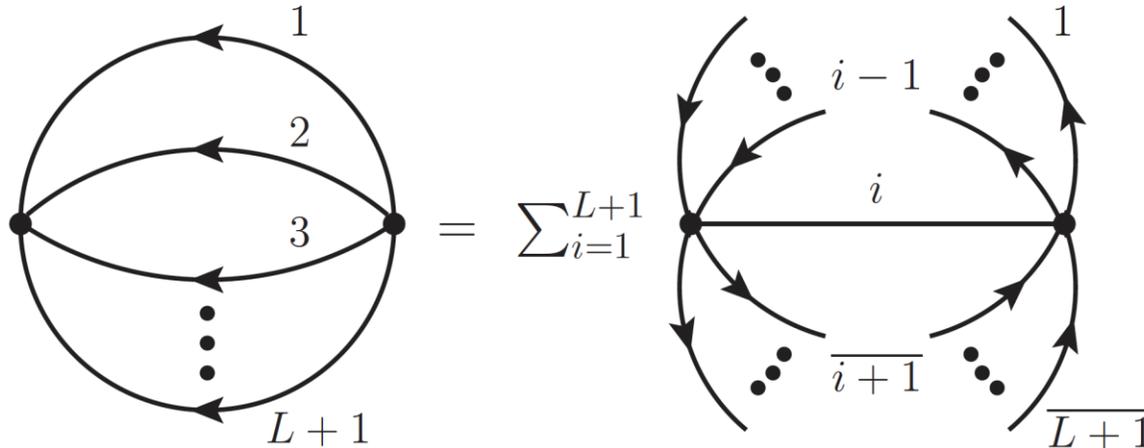
- New strategy: iterate Cauchy's theorem to *open loops into trees*
- Energy component is removed by using **Cauchy's residue theorem**
- **Multiloop require to iterate ("nest") the procedure (remove all the energy components)**





- Explicit calculation of nested residues  $\Rightarrow$  Very compact formulae!

Maximal Loop Topology  
(2 vertices,  $L+1$  lines)



**REMARK:** External particles can be attached to each momenta set

**Lines = sets of propagators**

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+1) = \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \sum_{i=1}^{L+1} \mathcal{A}_D(1, \dots, i-1, \overline{i+1}, \dots, \overline{L+1}; i)$$

Defined in Minkowski space (pointing to  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L)}$ )

Defined in Euclidean space (pointing to the integral)

On-shell lines (pointing to the sum)

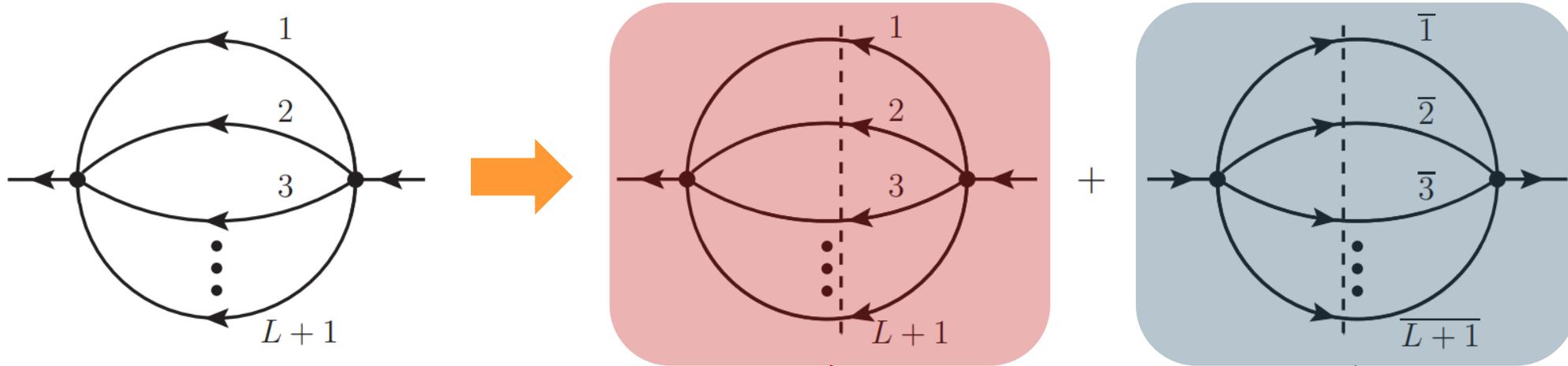
On-shell lines with reversed momenta (pointing to the green oval)

1 off-shell line (pointing to the red oval)

- We define the Maximal Loop Topology (MLT) as a building block to describe multi-loop amplitudes
- **Important:** “Any one and two-loop amplitude can be described by MLT topologies”

**Inductive proofs of these formulae to all-loop orders available in JHEP 02 (2021) 112**

- Summing all the terms in LTD representation leads to noticeable simplifications
- There is a strict connection between **aligned contributions** and **causal terms!!!**
- *MLT example*: If we sum over all the possible cuts, we get this extremely compact result:



$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, (L+1)_{-p_1}) = - \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{1}{x_{L+1}} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_1^-} + \frac{1}{\lambda_1^+} \right)$$

with

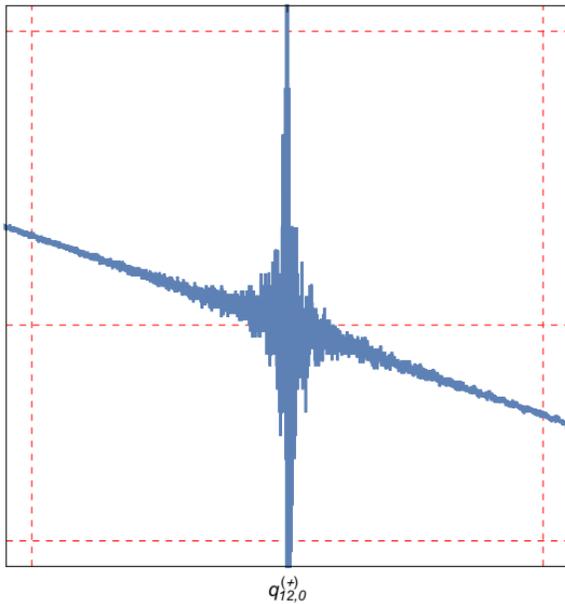
$$\lambda_1^\pm = \sum_{i=1}^{L+1} q_{i,0}^{(+)} \pm p_{1,0}$$

**CAUSAL PROPAGATORS**

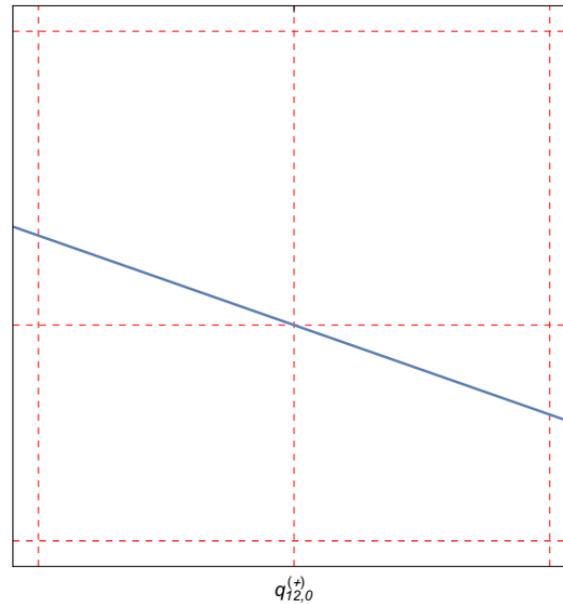
and

$$x_{L+k} = 2^{L+k} \prod_{i=1}^{L+k} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$$

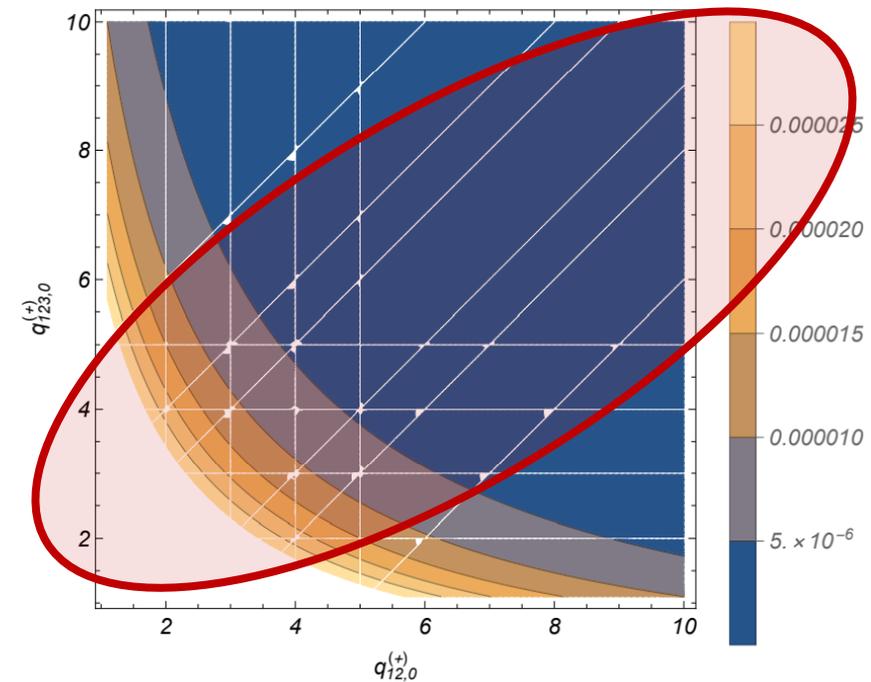
- Causal Representation exists for any QFT amplitude!
- Advantages
  1. Causal denominators have **same-sign combinations of on-shell energies** (positive numbers), thus are **more stable numerically!**
  2. **Only physical thresholds remain**; spurious un-physical instabilities are removed!



Without causal representation



With causal representation



White lines = Numerical instabilities

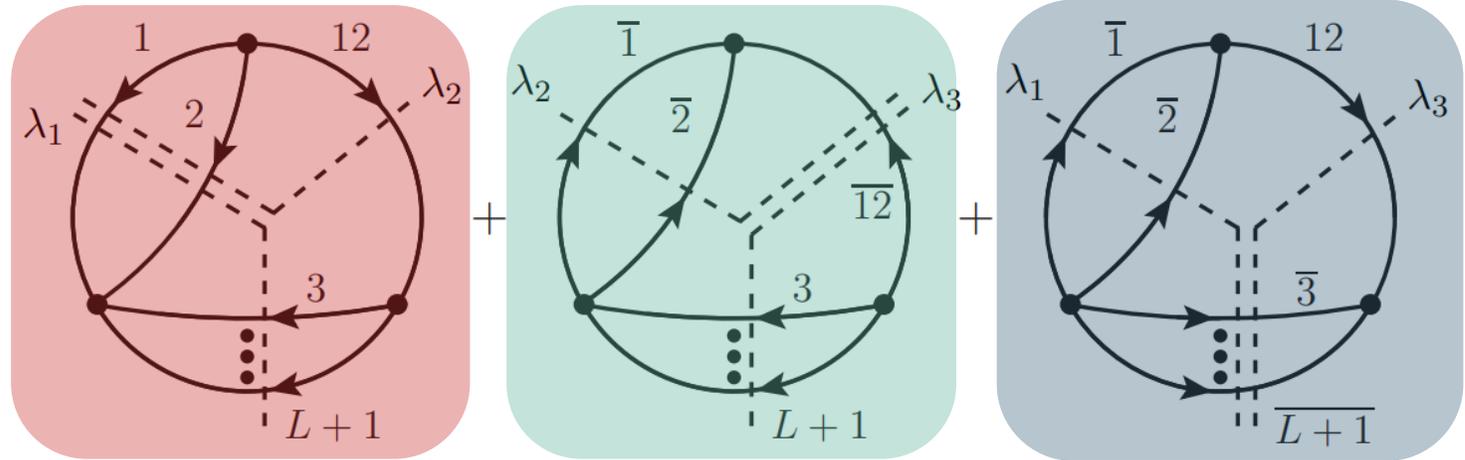
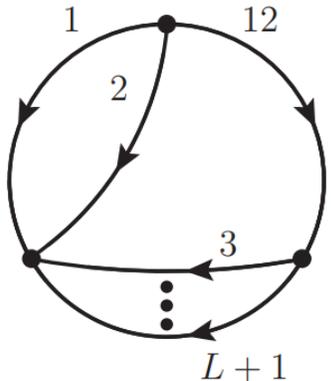
- Further studies were performed with several topological families

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- Graphical interpretation in terms of entangled thresholds

1. Each causal propagator represents a **threshold** of the diagram
2. Each diagram contains **several thresholds**
3. The causal representation involves products of (**compatible**) thresholds

Causal denominators ( $\lambda$ ) are associated to **cut lines** in the diagrams: momenta flow must be adjusted to be **compatible**



$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NMLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+2) = \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{2}{x_{L+2}} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 \lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3 \lambda_1} \right)$$



- Causal representation obtained directly after **summing over all the nested residues**

**Master formula**

$$\mathcal{A}_N^{(L)}(1, \dots, L+k) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{\mathcal{N}_\sigma(\{q_{r,0}^{(+)}\}, \{p_{j,0}\})}{x_{L+k}} \times \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{-\lambda_{\sigma(i)}} + (\sigma \leftrightarrow \bar{\sigma})$$

Set of entangled thresholds

Products of  $k$  causal propagators

- *Is it possible to do it in other way?*



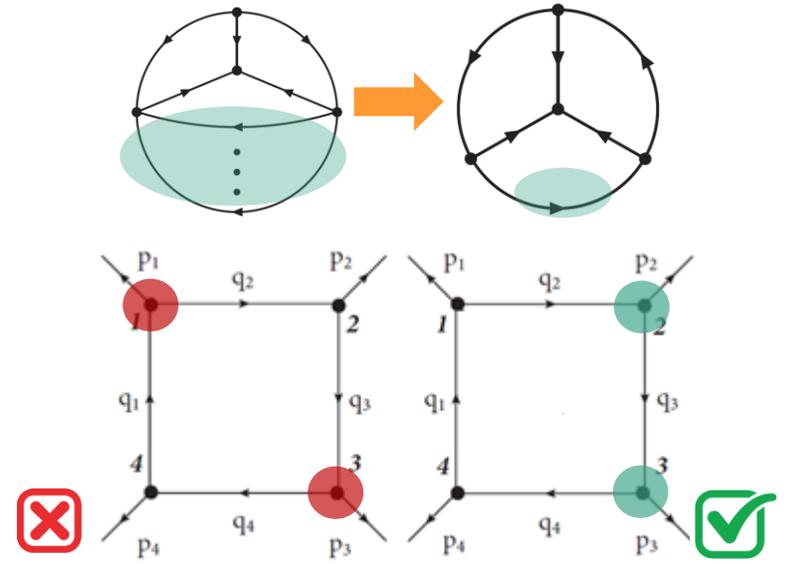
- Geometrical reconstruction
- Algebraic reconstruction (Lotty)

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• Previous concepts

1. **Diagrams** are made of **vertices** and **multi-edges** (*bunches of propagators, connecting two given vertices*)
2. **Multi-edges** define a **basis of momenta**, that lead to the “**vertex matrix**” **Defines the casual structure!**
3. **Binary partitions** are given by **subsets of vertices** that **splits in two** the original diagram **Connected partitions!**

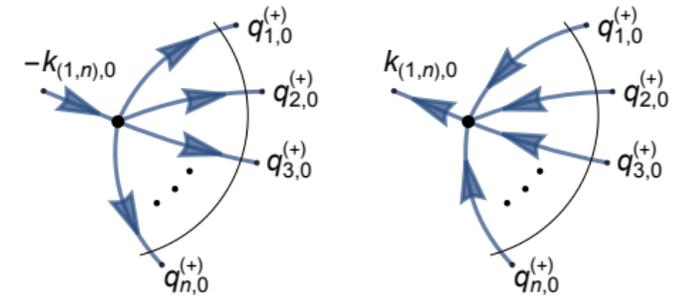




More details in arXiv:2102.05062 [hep-ph]

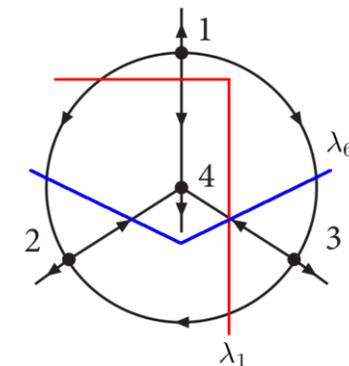
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- They encode the possible **physical thresholds**
- Involve a **consistent (aligned) energy flow** through the cut lines



## 2. Order of a diagram: it quantifies the complexity of a given topology

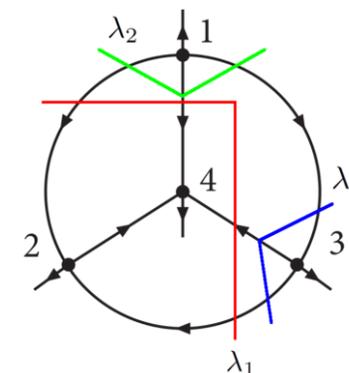
- $k=1$  for *MLT*,  $k=2$  for *NMLT* and so on  $\longrightarrow$   **$k = \text{vertices} - 1$**
- A diagram of **order k** involves **products of k causal propagators**



Presence of intersections

## 3. Geometric compatibility rules: determine the entangled thresholds

- All the multi-edges are cut at least once**
- Causal propagators do no intersect**; i.e. they are associated to disjoint or extended partitions of the diagram
- All the multi-edges** involved in a causal threshold must carry **momenta flowing in the same direction**  $\longrightarrow$  Distinction  $\lambda^+ / \lambda^-$



Incompatible causal flux

## PROBLEM

Complex topologies have many causal configurations, it takes a lot of time to test all the possibilities.

## QUESTION

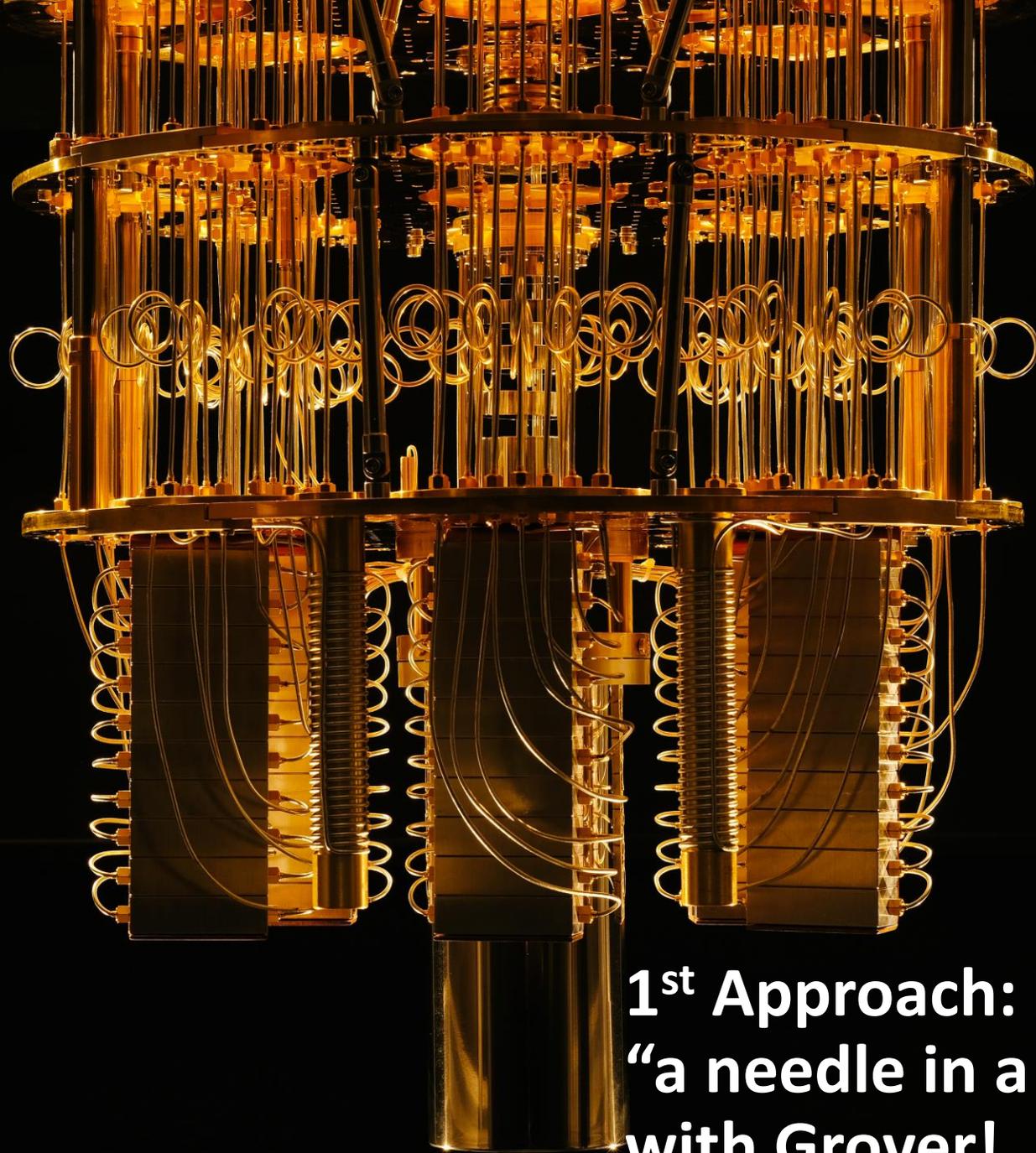
Can we use other techniques to identify the causal terms?

## ANSWER

We can explore ...

**Quantum Search Algorithms!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Approach: Finding  
“a needle in a haystack”  
with Grover!**





- **Purpose:** Search “selected” states from a bunch of possible configurations
- **Idea:** Build a quantum uniform superposition of  $N$  states and parallelize a selection condition
- **Aim:** Achieve an speed-up compared to the classical search algorithms

## Strategy: Preparation

- From the  $N$  total states, there are  $r$  “winning” states and  $N-r$  orthogonal ones

$$|q\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |x\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad N = 2^n$$

Projection over orthogonal subspaces

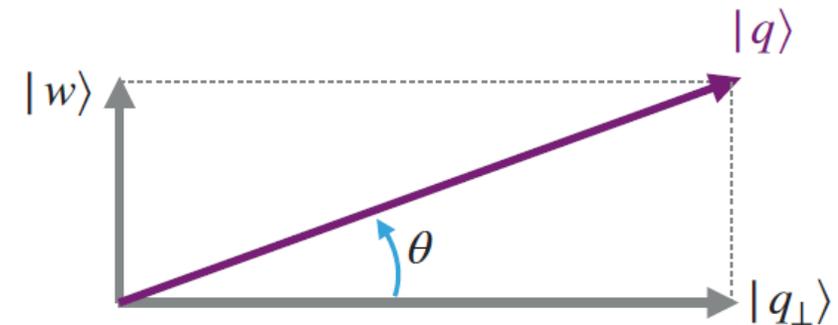


$$|q\rangle = \sin \theta |w\rangle + \cos \theta |q_{\perp}\rangle$$

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Winning states

Non-winning states



$$\theta = \arcsin \sqrt{r/N}$$

Mixing angle



## Strategy: Amplitude amplification

- We define the oracle operator to mark the “winning” states

$$U_w = I - 2 |w\rangle\langle w|$$

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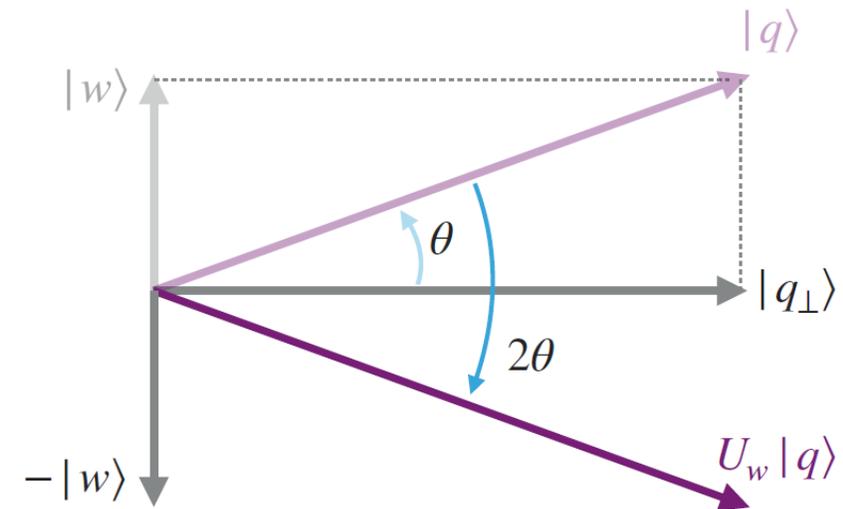
- Then, the diffusion operator reflect over the initial state:

$$U_q = 2 |q\rangle\langle q| - I$$

- Iterate the procedure to achieve an amplification:

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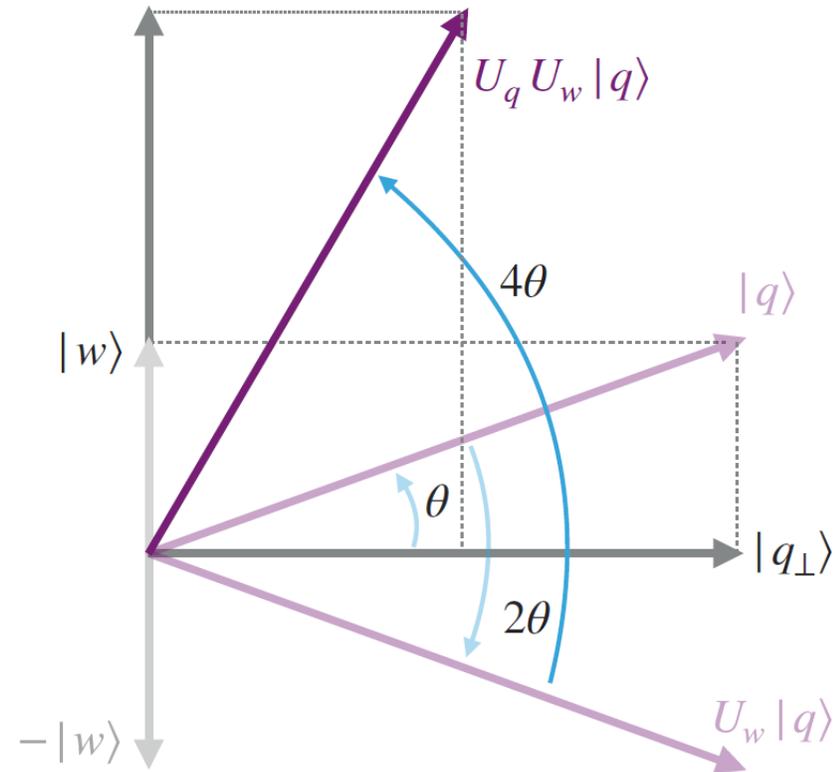
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More detailed explanation  
arXiv:2102.05062 [hep-ph] &  
arXiv:2105.08703 [hep-ph]

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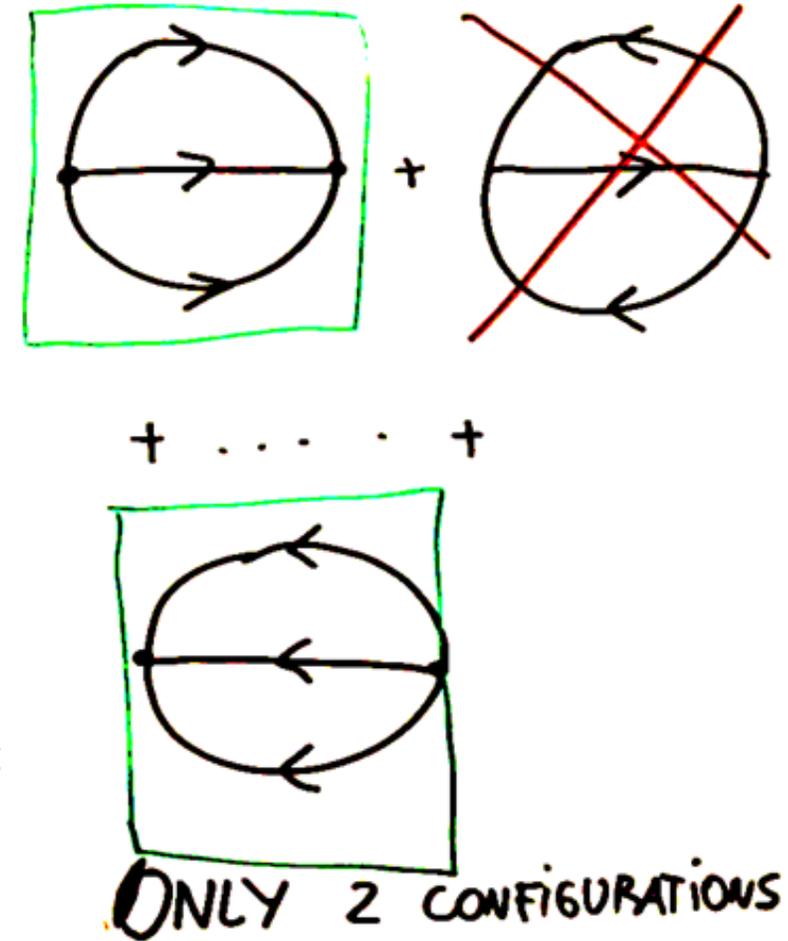
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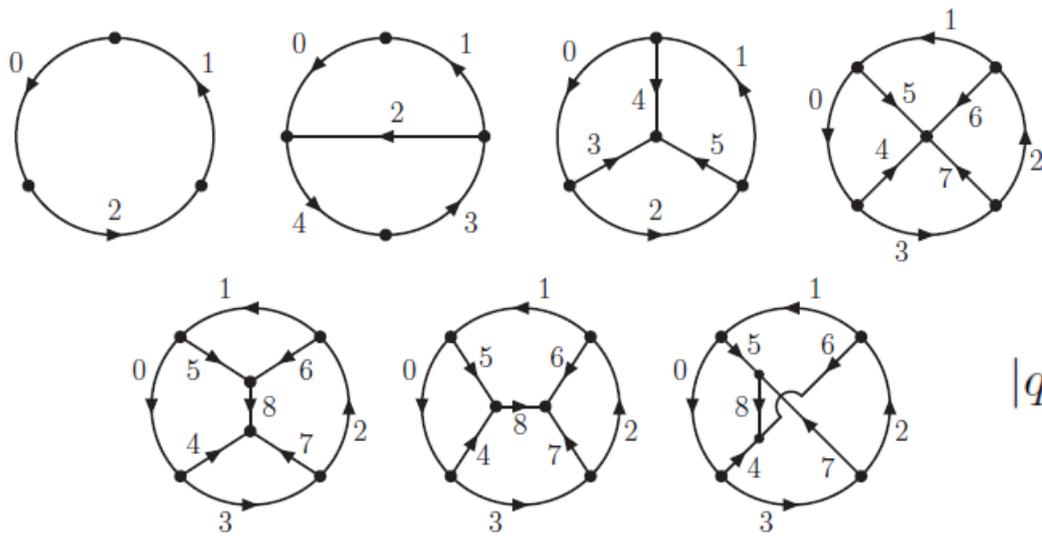
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# Grover's algorithm for Causal Reconstruction



- Identify momentum-orderings compatible with causality using Grover's search algorithm!
- We assign **1 qubit to each edge**, and impose logical conditions to select configurations without closed cycles **➡ Non-cyclical configurations = Causal flux**
- **Important: "loop" refers to integration variables; "e-loop" to loops in the graph**



Total number of orderings ( $n = n^{\circ}$  of edges)

$$N = 2^n \rightarrow |q\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |x\rangle$$

Quantum superposition of  $N$  flux configurations

$$|q\rangle = \cos \theta |q_{\perp}\rangle + \sin \theta |w\rangle$$

$$|w\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{x \in w} |x\rangle$$

States with causal flow = "Winning states"

$$|q_{\perp}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{x \notin w} |x\rangle$$

States with non-causal flow = "Orthogonal states"

- We use Grover's algorithm to **enhances** the probability of the **causal states**:

$$U_w = \mathbf{I} - 2|w\rangle\langle w|$$

Oracle operator  
(changes sign of causal states)

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Diffusion operator  
(reflects with respect to initial state)

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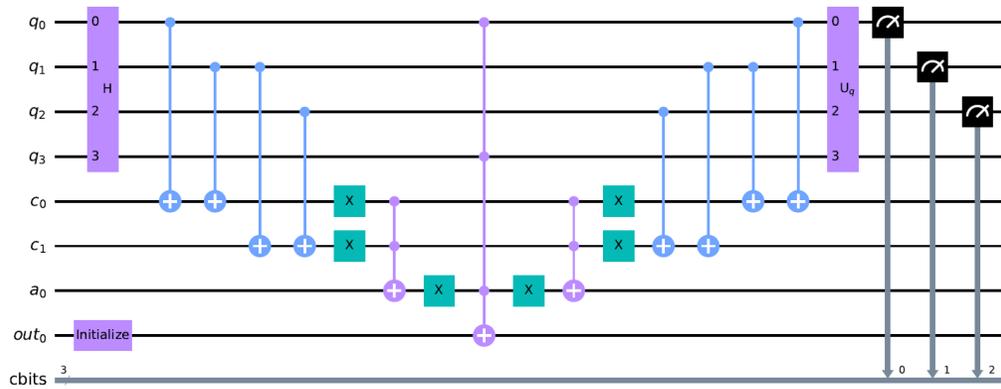
$$\sin^2 \theta_t \sim 1$$

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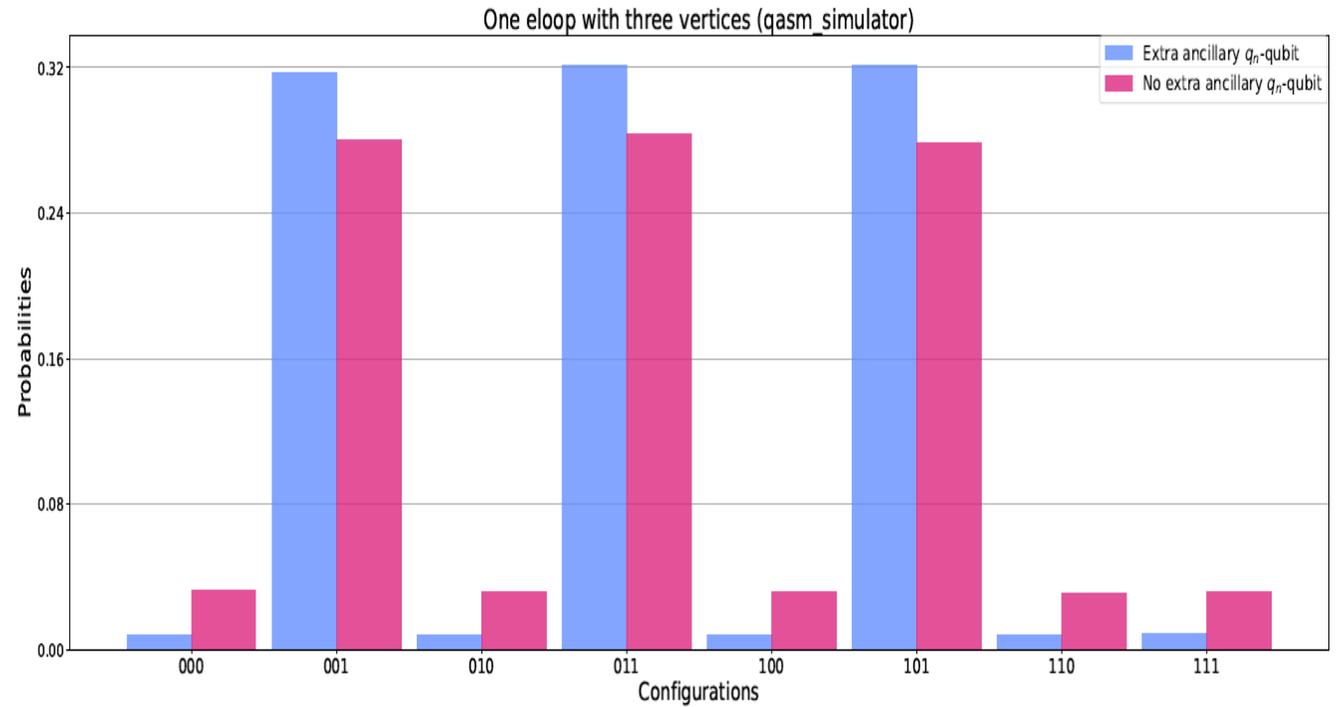


- Implemented with Qiskit and run in **IBM Q** (simulator & *real QC*)
- Several topologies studied!! **Enhanced performance** with extra-qubits

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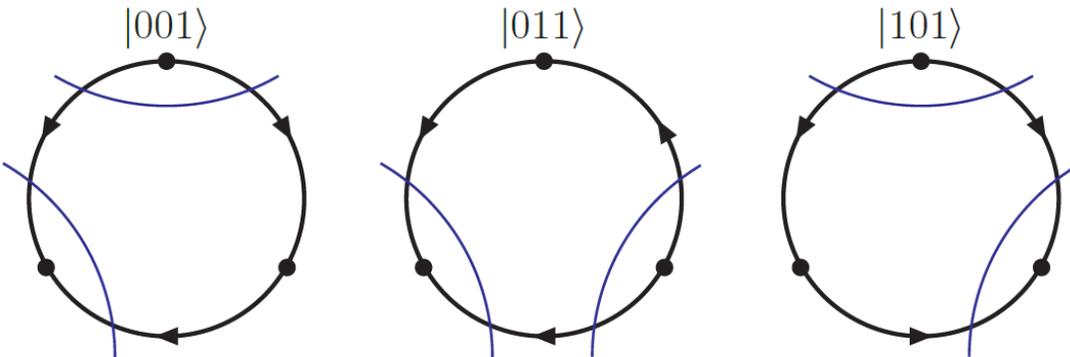


Quantum circuit



The selected configurations are exactly  $|001\rangle$ ,  $|011\rangle$ ,  $|101\rangle$

**The algorithm identifies the causal flux, relying on geometrical concepts!**



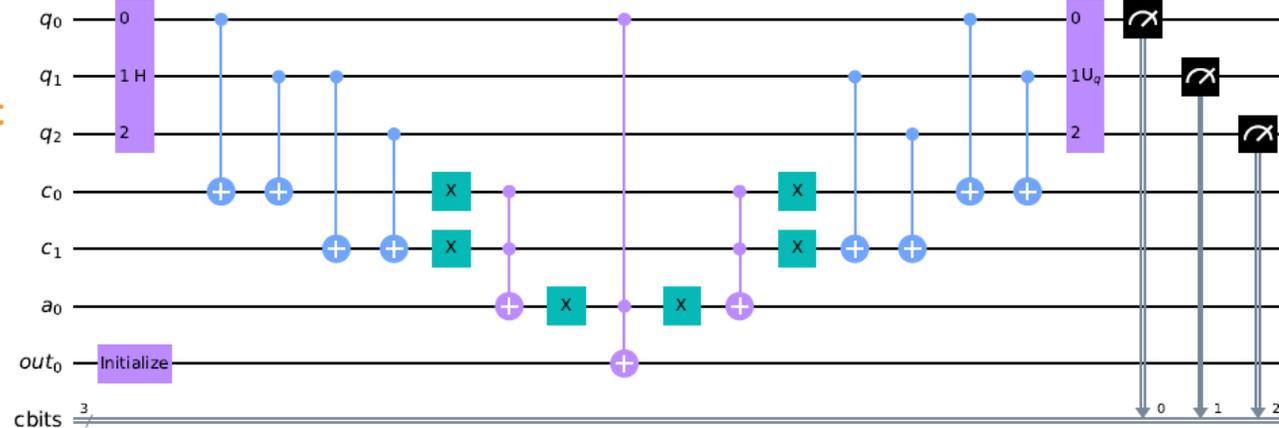
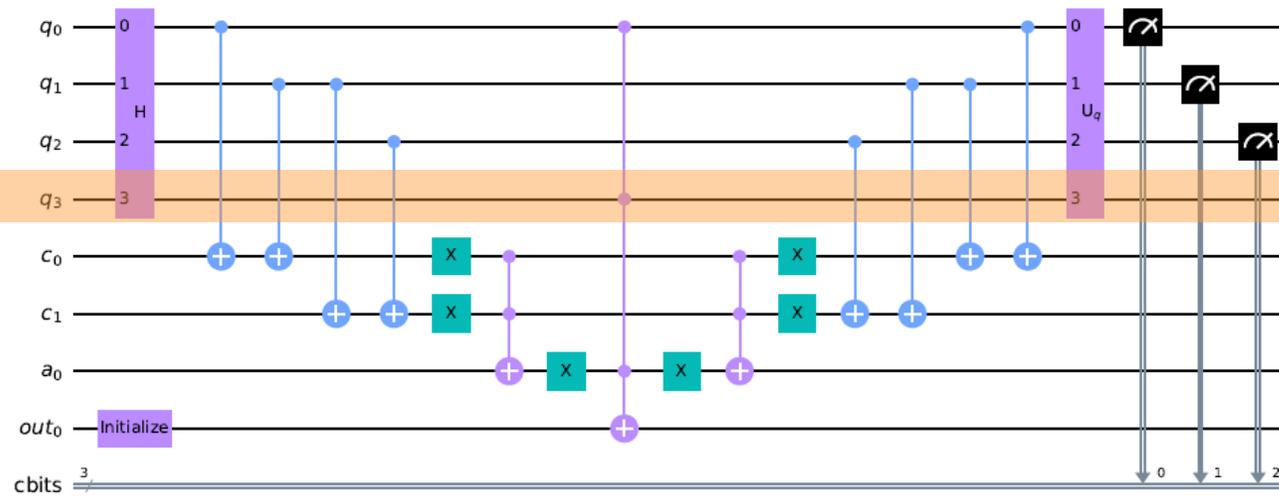
Causal configurations

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- *Adding an additional qubit increases the total configurations, without increasing the winning states*
- Grover's algorithm could reach a quadratic speed-up (subtleties related to the number of shots)

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Hadamard

$$|q\rangle = H^{\otimes n}|0\rangle$$

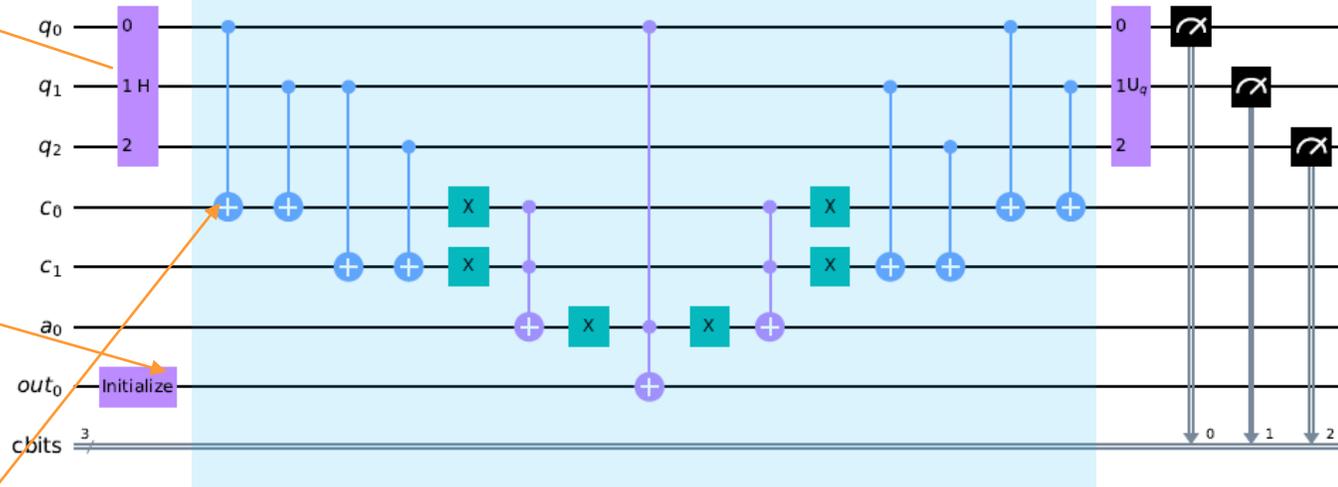
$$|out_0\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \equiv |-\rangle$$

$$U_w|q\rangle|c\rangle|a\rangle|out_0\rangle = (-1)^{f(a,q)}|q\rangle|c\rangle|a\rangle|out_0\rangle$$

Oracle operator

Diffuser (defined in Qiskit)

n=2 in this example



$$c_{ij} \equiv (q_i = q_j),$$

$$\bar{c}_{ij} \equiv (q_i \neq q_j), \quad i, j \in \{0, \dots, n-1\}$$

Binary clauses

$$f^{(1)}(a, q) = a_0 \wedge q_0 \wedge q_n$$

$$a_0(\{c_{ij}\}) \equiv \neg(c_{01} \wedge c_{12} \wedge \dots \wedge c_{n-2, n-1})$$

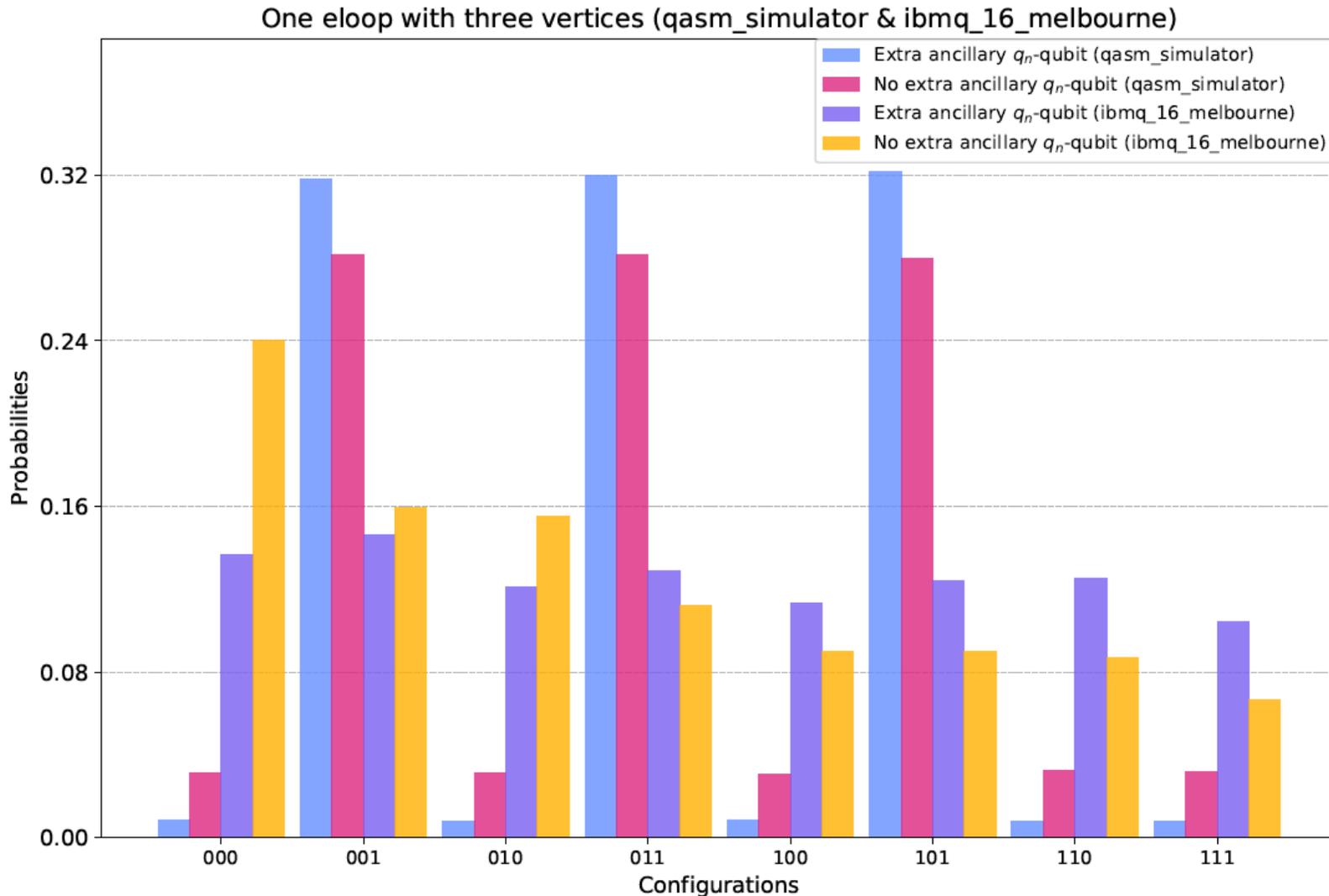
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- Simulator:

- Very good performance
- Extra-qubit enhances the amplification

- Real devices:

- **Several limitations due to large quantum depth**
- Efficient error mitigation required (noisy output)
- *Could be improved in future devices*

*Good... but...*

### PROBLEM

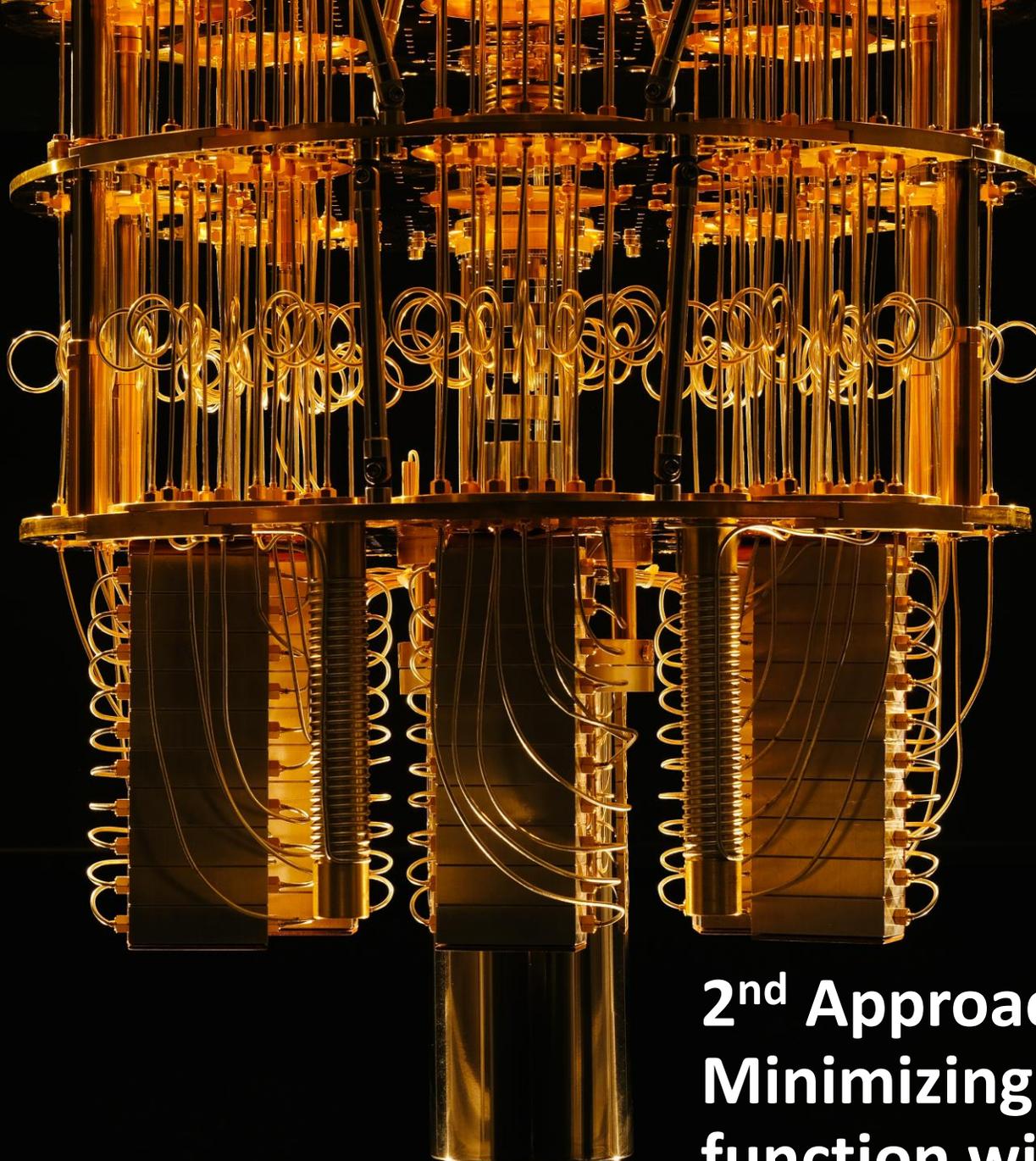
Binary clauses and selection rules require several qubits (and they are not re-usable!). Resource consumption scales very fast!

### QUESTION

Within QA, can we use other approach?

### ANSWER

We can combine classical and quantum codes ...



**Quantum Minimization Algorithms!**

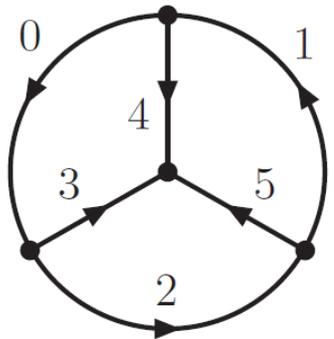
**2<sup>nd</sup> Approach:  
Minimizing a cost function with VQE!**



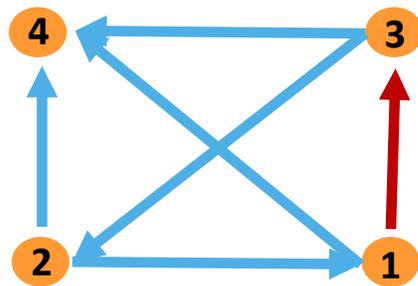
- Geometrical information is codified in the **adjacency matrix**

(\*Configuracion momentos\*)

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NumeroVertices = 4; Orden = NumeroVertices - 1;
Eq[1] = {q[6] + q[4] - q[1] + p[1]};
Eq[2] = {q[1] + q[5] - q[2] + p[2]};
Eq[3] = {q[3] - q[6] + q[2] + p[3]};
Eq[4] = {-q[3] - q[4] - q[5] - (p[1] + p[2] + p[3])};
```



N2MLT topology:  
Mercedes-Benz diagram



- Useful properties:

$$f_3(A) \equiv \sum_{i_1 \neq i_2 \neq i_3} a_{i_1 i_2} \times a_{i_2 i_3} \times a_{i_3 i_1} \neq 0 \iff \text{There are triangles}$$

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In general, there are N-cycles **iif**  $f_N(A)$  is non zero

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & | & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 & | & 0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Vertex matrix  
(from the conservation equations)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots \\ -a_{12} & 0 & a_{23} & \dots \\ -a_{13} & -a_{23} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Adjacency matrix  
(how are vertices connected)

A graph with associated adjacency matrix A is acyclic if:

$$\text{tr}(A^N) = 0$$

# Hamiltonian construction for minimization



- Exploit the **adjacency matrix** to build a **Hamiltonian** ➔ **Ground state = Acyclic graph**
- 1<sup>st</sup> approach:** Penalize oriented cycles using projectors to build the **loop Hamiltonian**

$$H_G = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{G_0}} \prod_{e \in \gamma} \pi_e^{s(e; G_0)}$$

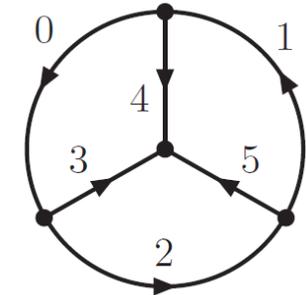
Orientation (0 or 1)  
Projector  
Edges (within cycle)  
Cycles (within graph)

with

$$\pi_e^0 \equiv |0\rangle\langle 0|_e = \frac{1}{2}(I + Z)_e$$

$$\pi_e^1 \equiv |1\rangle\langle 1|_e = \frac{1}{2}(I - Z)_e$$

0 original direction  
1 reversed direction



Need to fix a initial orientation, but results are independent of this choice!!

- 2<sup>nd</sup> approach (BETTER):** Promote adjacency matrix to operator, and *trace over all possible cycles*

$$A \equiv \sum_{e \equiv (v_0, v_1) \in \bar{E}} \left[ \sigma_{v_0}^- \pi_e^0 \sigma_{v_1}^+ + \sigma_{v_1}^- \pi_e^1 \sigma_{v_0}^+ \right]$$

Edge = (origin, end)  
Pauli +/- operators



$$H_G = \sum_{n=1}^{M_G} \text{Tr}_V [A^n]$$

Trace over vertex space  
n = cycle length

More details arXiv:2210.13240 [hep-ph]

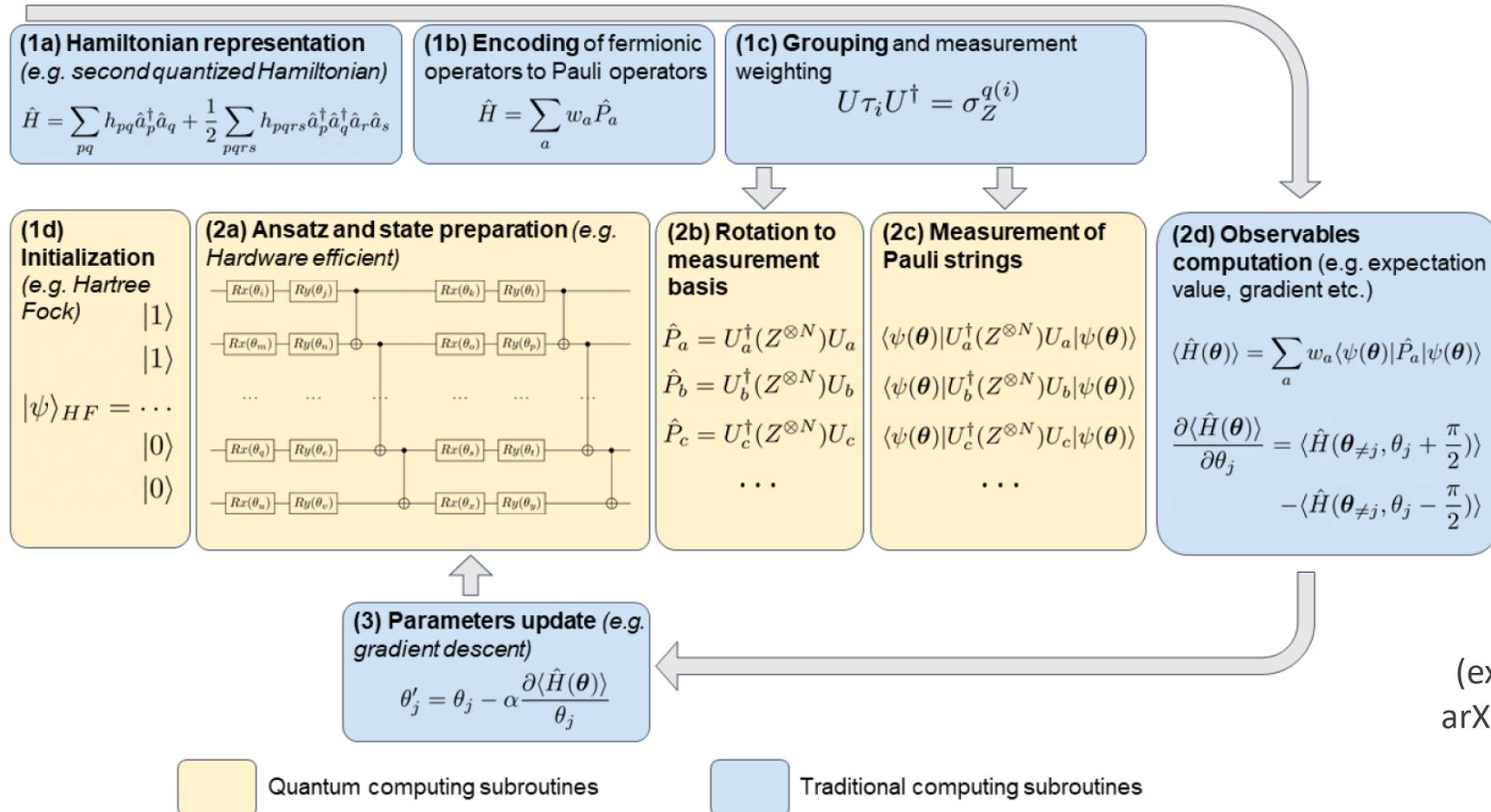
Minimizing H, we find the acyclic graphs (0 energy)

Clemente, Crippa et al (2022) arXiv:2210.13240 [hep-ph]

# Using a Variational Quantum Eigensolver



- VQE is a hybrid quantum-classical algorithm, optimized for minimization problems
- **QUANTUM PART:** Evaluation of the Hamiltonian applied to an ansatz (parametrized quantum circuit)
- **CLASSICAL PART:** Modification of the parameters, through minimization algorithms



**VQE pipeline**  
 (extracted from J. Tilly et al, arXiv:2111.05176 [quant-ph])



1. Our implementation with Qiskit: **Real Amplitudes** (ansatz) + **COBYLA** (optimizer)
2. Improved results with **multi-run VQE**: set a selection **threshold**, collect **solutions** and modify the

Hamiltonian with **penalization terms**

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{E/\{e_0\}} = & 4 I_4 \otimes I_3 \otimes I_2 \otimes I_1 + 2 I_4 \otimes I_3 \otimes I_2 \otimes Z_1 - I_4 \otimes I_3 \otimes Z_2 \otimes I_1 \\
 & - I_4 \otimes I_3 \otimes Z_2 \otimes Z_1 + I_4 \otimes Z_3 \otimes I_2 \otimes I_1 + I_4 \otimes Z_3 \otimes I_2 \otimes Z_1 \\
 & + 2 I_4 \otimes Z_3 \otimes Z_2 \otimes I_1 + Z_4 \otimes I_3 \otimes I_2 \otimes I_1 + Z_4 \otimes I_3 \otimes I_2 \otimes Z_1 \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

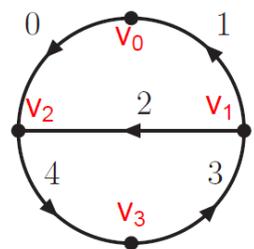
Reduced Hamiltonian

Classical methods

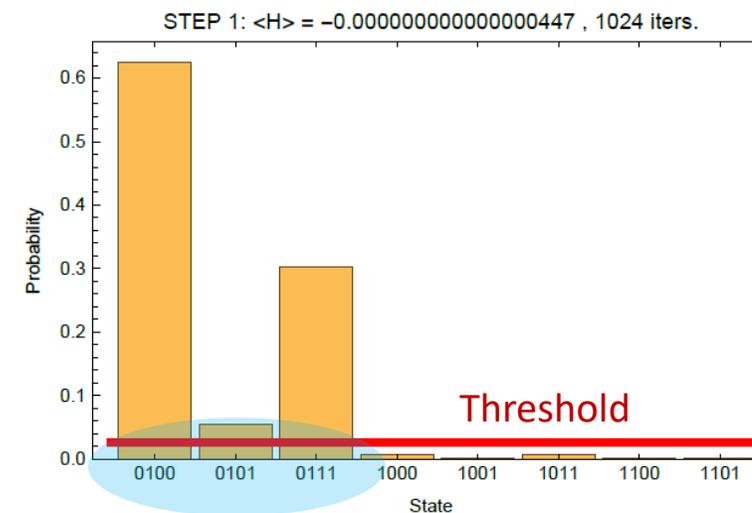


Complete set of solutions

$$\{|0011\rangle, |0100\rangle, |0101\rangle, |0111\rangle, |1000\rangle, |1001\rangle, |1011\rangle, |1100\rangle, |1101\rangle\}$$



Two loop  
5-point



$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \{|0100\rangle, |0101\rangle, |0111\rangle\}$$

Selected solutions (1<sup>st</sup> run)

$$\Pi^{(1)} = \sum_{|\phi_l\rangle \in \mathcal{S}_1} b_l^{(1)} |\phi_l\rangle \langle \phi_l|$$

Penalization term ...

$$H^{(1)} = H^{(0)} + \Pi^{(1)}$$

... to be added to the Hamiltonian for next run!!

$$|\psi^{(1)}\rangle = \sum_j c_j^{(1)} |\phi_j\rangle$$

Approximated ground state found by VQE

$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \{|\phi_j\rangle \mid |c_j^{(1)}|^2 > \lambda\}$$

and subset of terms above the selection threshold

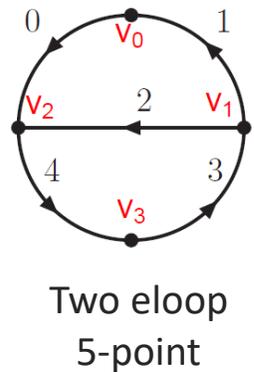
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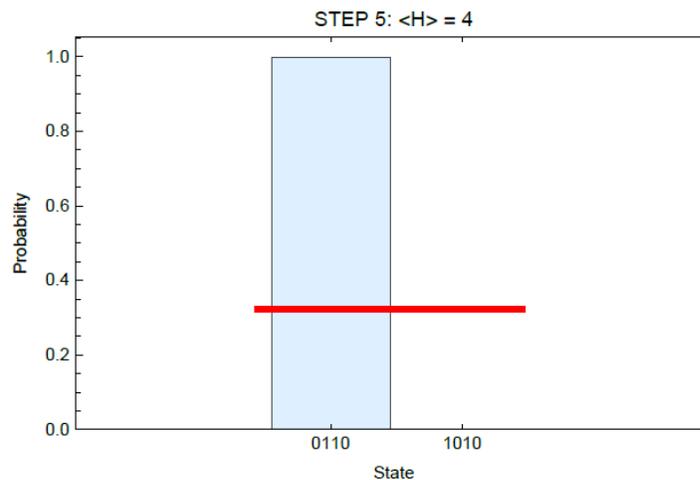
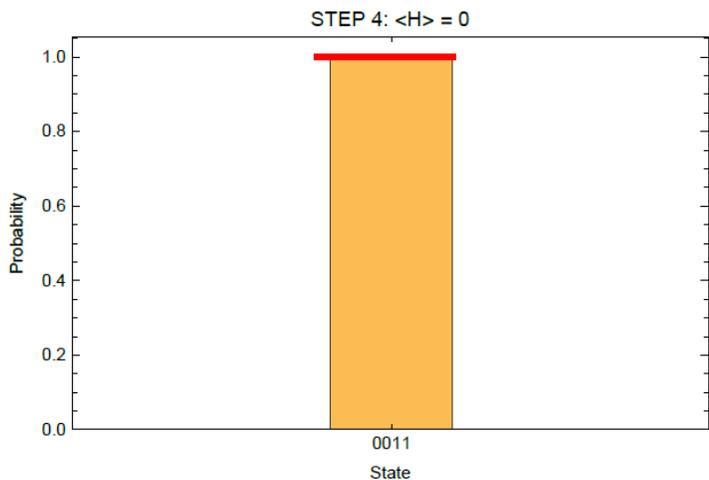
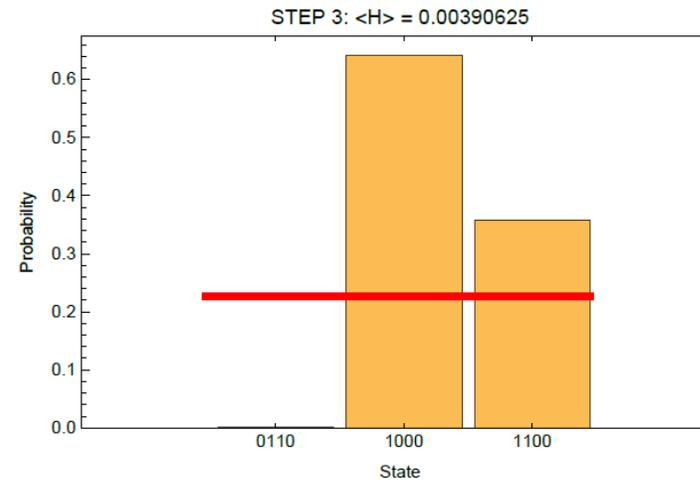
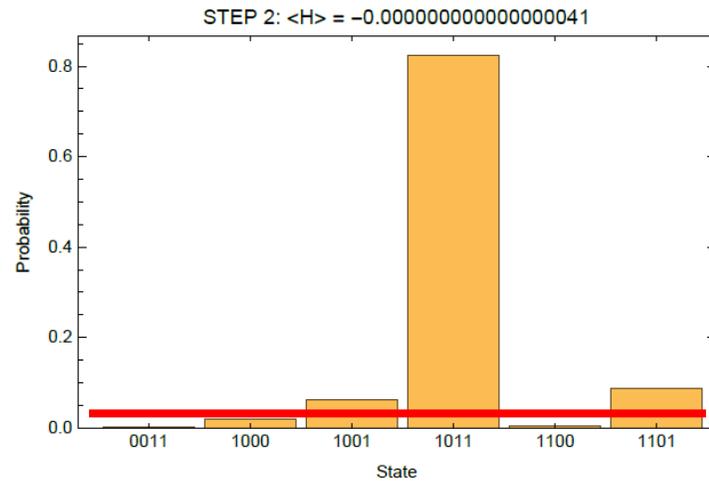
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Two eloop  
5-point



- We collect solutions step by step, till the algorithm converges (if  $\langle H \rangle > 1$ )
- *Problem:* it is not guaranteed that all the solutions are collected (**work in progress!!**)



- Use LTD to cleverly rewrite Feynman integrals: **Minkowski to Euclidean**
- **Nested residues** leads to **manifestly causal representations** of scattering amplitudes!
- Very compact formulae **with strong physical/conceptual** motivation

- **Geometrical rules** select entangled thresholds. **Complete reconstruction** of multiloop amplitudes!
- **Quantum algorithms** to speed-up **causal flux selection**. *Exploring new disruptive tools for breaking the precision frontier!!*
- **Both Grover's search algorithm and VQE** seem promising candidates to unveil the causal representations in (real) quantum devices



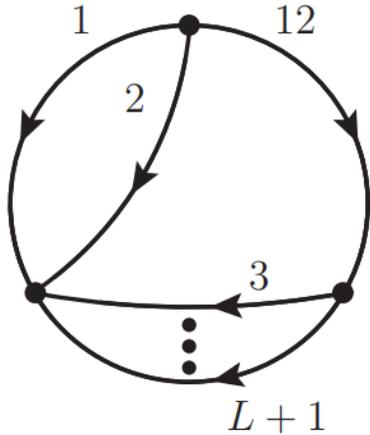


THANKS!

**BACKUP.**

- Similar causal formulae can be found for NMLT and NNMLT to all loop orders!

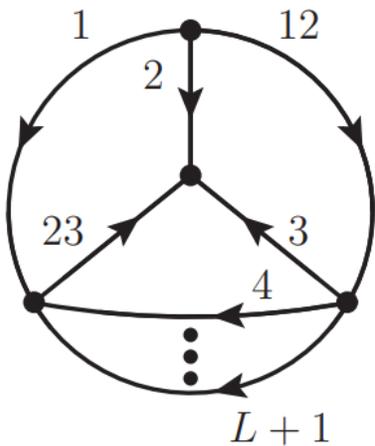
Next-to  
Maximal  
Loop  
Topology



$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NMLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+2) = \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{2}{x_{L+2}} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 \lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3 \lambda_1} \right)$$

with  $\lambda_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{L+1} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$      $\lambda_2 = q_{1,0}^{(+)} + q_{2,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+2,0}^{(+)}$      $\lambda_3 = \sum_{i=3}^{L+2} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$

Next-to-  
Next-to  
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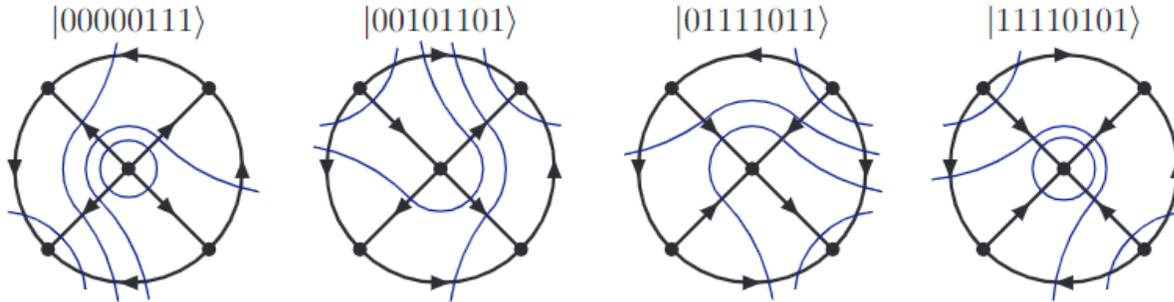
$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{N}^2\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+3) = - \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{2}{x_{L+3}} \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_4} + \frac{1}{\lambda_5} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_6} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_4} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_5} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_7} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_5} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_4} \right) \right]$$

with  $\lambda_4 = q_{2,0}^{(+)} + q_{3,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+3,0}^{(+)}$      $\lambda_6 = q_{1,0}^{(+)} + q_{3,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+2,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+3,0}^{(+)}$   
 $\lambda_5 = q_{1,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+3,0}^{(+)} + \sum_{i=4}^{L+1} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$      $\lambda_7 = q_{2,0}^{(+)} + \sum_{i=4}^{L+3} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$



- Further examples:** four eloops (N3MLT and s & t-channels N4MLT)

Pizza  
(N3MLT)



Boolean conditions (oracle definition)

$$a_0^{(4)} = \neg (c_{01} \wedge c_{12} \wedge c_{23}) ,$$

$$a_1^{(4)} = \neg (\bar{c}_{05} \wedge \bar{c}_{45}) ,$$

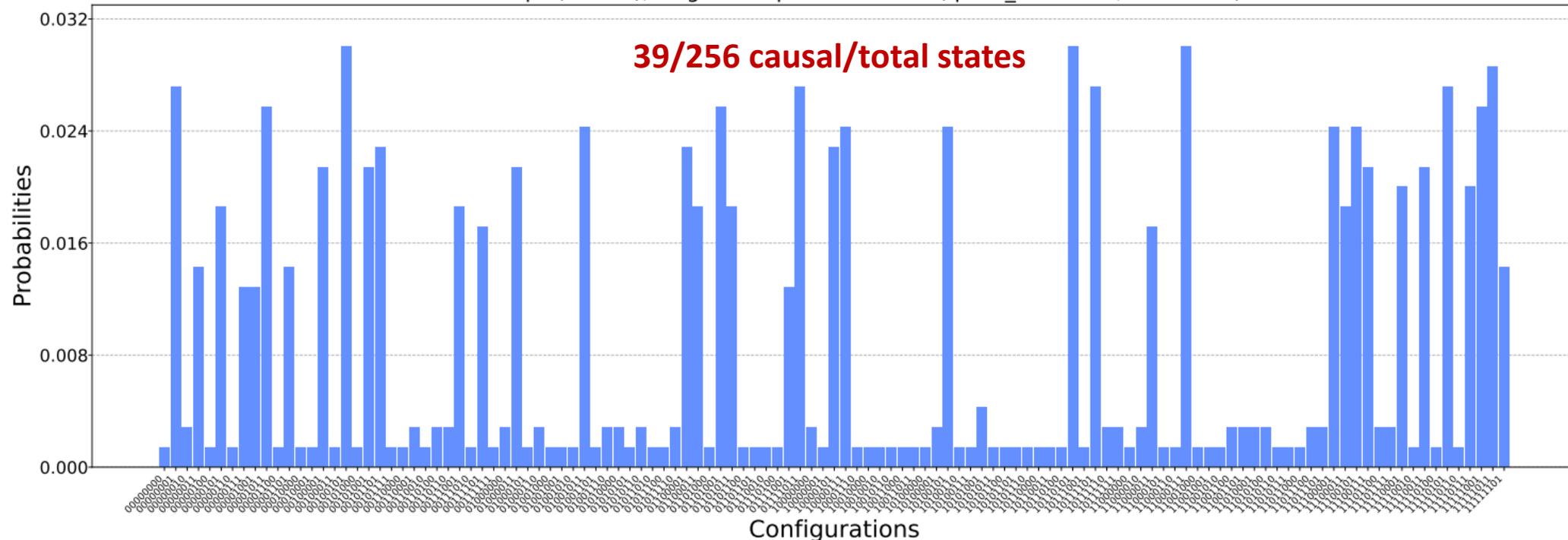
$$a_2^{(4)} = \neg (\bar{c}_{16} \wedge \bar{c}_{56}) ,$$

$$a_3^{(4)} = \neg (\bar{c}_{27} \wedge \bar{c}_{67}) ,$$

$$a_4^{(4)} = \neg (\bar{c}_{34} \wedge \bar{c}_{47}) ,$$

$$f^{(4)}(a, q) = (a_0^{(4)} \wedge \dots \wedge a_4^{(4)}) \wedge q_0$$

Four eloops (N<sup>3</sup>MLT), single four-particle vertex (qasm\_simulator, 700 shots)



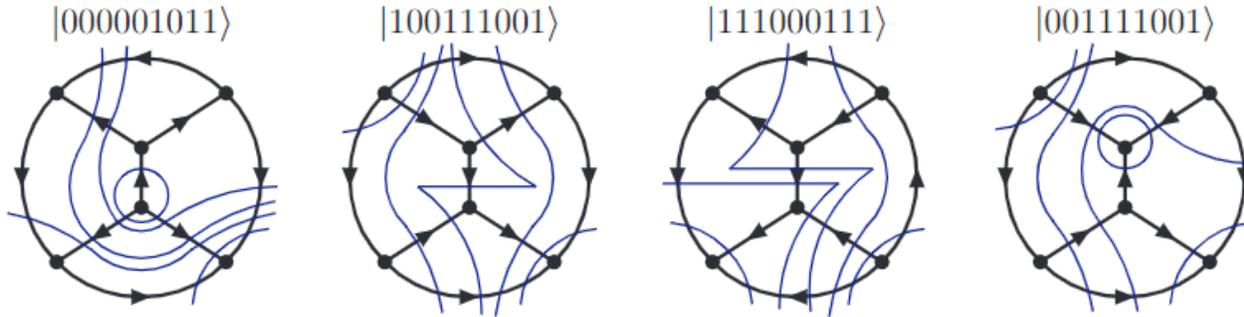
# Grover's Algorithm for Causal Reconstruction



- Further examples:** four loops (N3MLT and s & t-channels N4MLT)

**s-channel similar to t-channel BUT...  
u-channel exceeds IBMQ capabilities**

t-channel  
(N4MLT)



$$f^{(4,t)}(a, q) = \left( a_0^{(4)} \wedge a_1^{(t)} \wedge a_2^{(4)} \wedge a_3^{(t)} \wedge a_4^{(4)} \right) \wedge q_0 ,$$

$$f^{(4,s)}(a, q) = \left( a_0^{(4)} \wedge a_1^{(4)} \wedge a_2^{(s)} \wedge a_3^{(4)} \wedge a_4^{(s)} \right) \wedge q_0 ,$$

$$f^{(4,u)}(a, q) = \left( a_0^{(4)} \wedge a_1^{(t)} \wedge a_2^{(s)} \wedge a_3^{(u)} \wedge \dots \wedge a_8^{(u)} \right) \wedge q_0$$

**Boolean conditions (oracle definition)**

Four loops (N<sup>4</sup>MLT), t-channel (qasm\_simulator, 1300 shots)

