

# Floquet prethermalization of lattice gauge theory on superconducting qubits

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My ultimate goal

$$i\partial_t|\Psi\rangle = H|\Psi\rangle$$

Solve the real-time dynamics of QFT (QCD)



Quantum computing of quantum field theories

# Two directions

○ Implementing QCD on quantum devices is never trivial

➔ Develop quantum algorithms and wait fault-tolerant QCs

➔ Simulating toy models of LGTs on NISQ devices

e.g., Schwinger model (QED in 1+1 dimensions )

Artificial tasks  
(Random circuits)

Google '19  
Zuchongzhi '21  
Quantinuum '24

What can we do?

Important tasks

Prime factoring  
Quantum chemistry  
Cond-mat physics  
⋮



Deal with noises

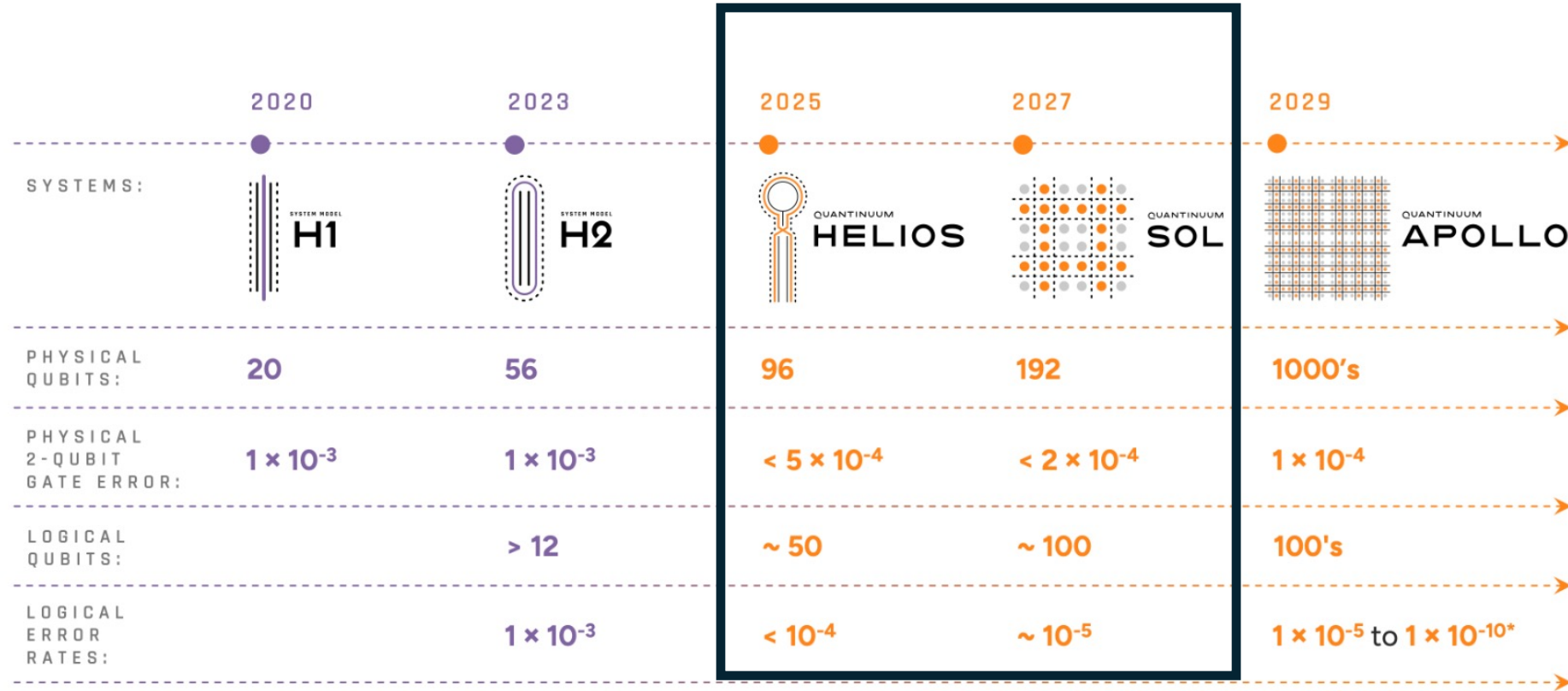


Time

Fault-tolerant QC

# What can we do?

## Development roadmap



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\*analysis based on recent literature in new, novel error correcting codes predict that error could be as low as  $1E-10$  in Apollo (ref: arXiv:2403.16054, arXiv:2308.07915)

physical qubits are more useful than logical qubits

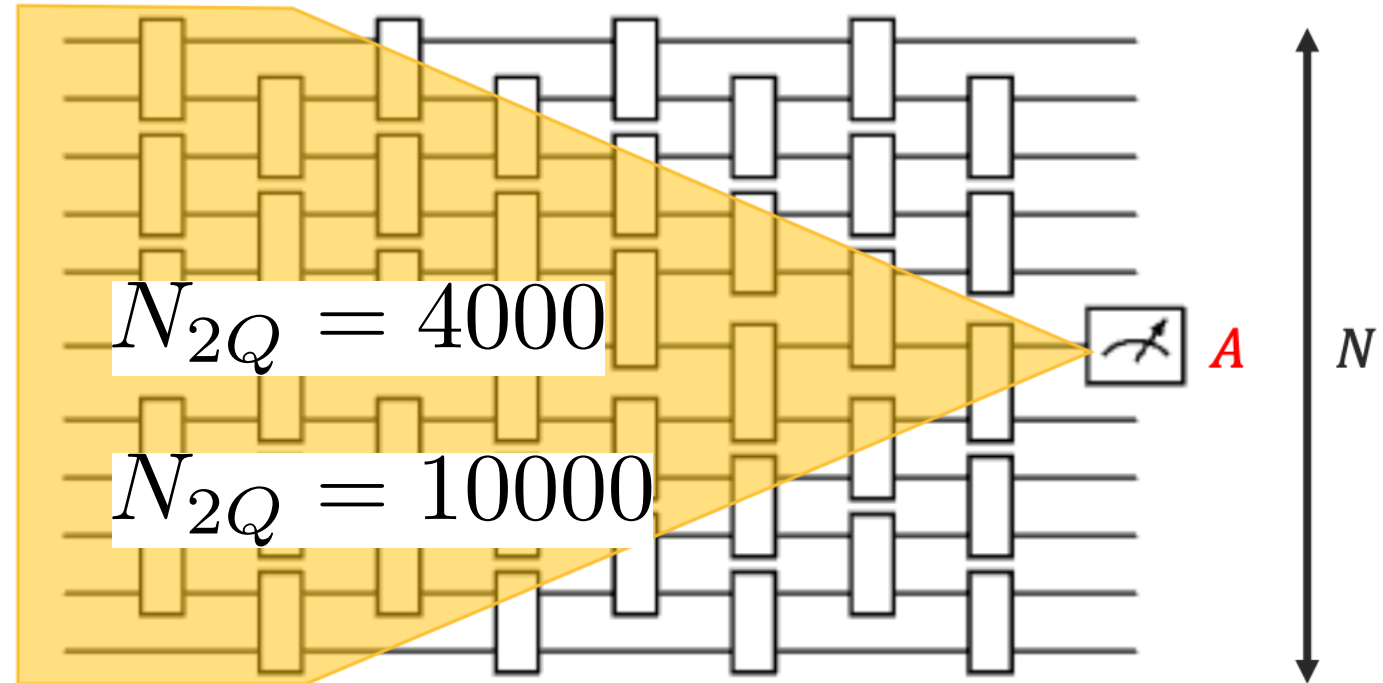
# What can we do?

○ global depolarizing model  $\langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\text{noisy}} = f \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\text{ideal}}$

$$f = (1 - p)^{N_{2Q}} = 0.135$$

$$p = 5 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$p = 2 \times 10^{-4}$$



$$N = 100, \quad dt = 0.1, \quad t = 10, \quad N_{2Q} \sim 10000$$

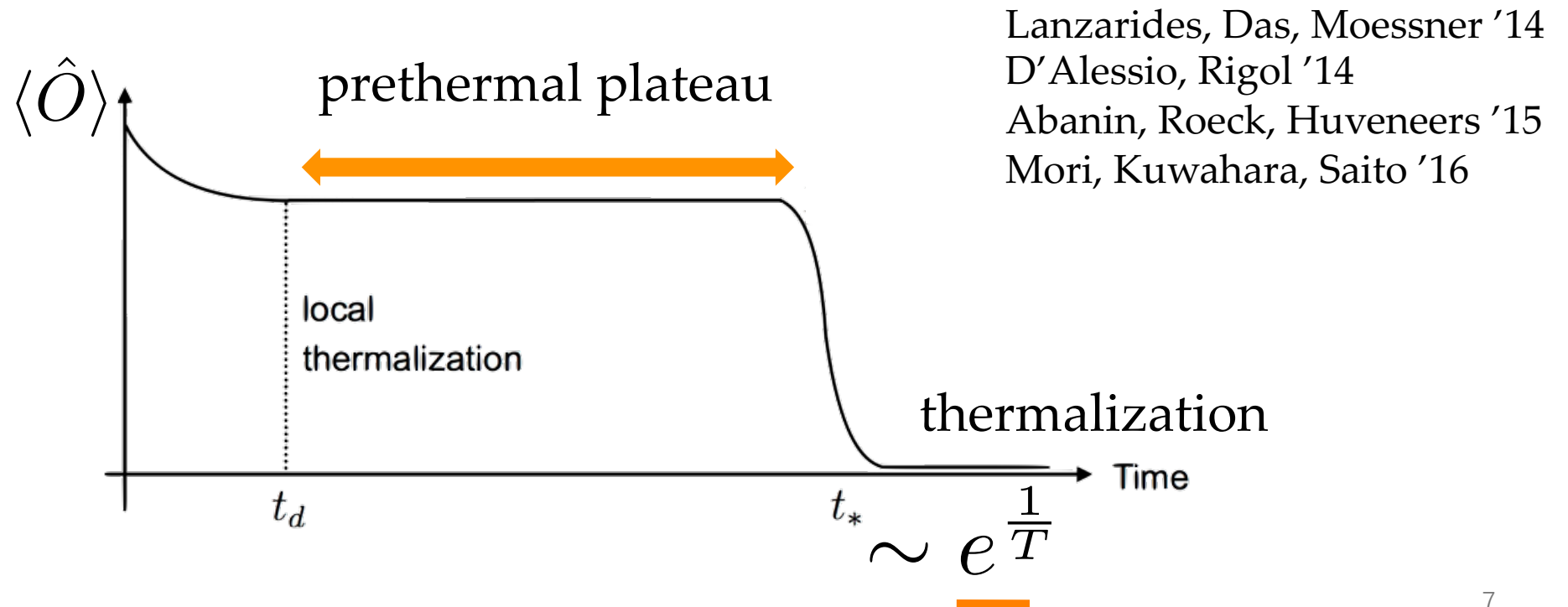
Hamiltonian simulation of LGTs is challenging in the NISQ era

# Floquet dynamics

- Time evolution with a time-dependent Hamiltonian

$$i\partial_t|\Psi\rangle = H|\Psi\rangle \quad H(t+T) = H(t)$$

driven system  $\rightarrow$  heat up to infinite temperature



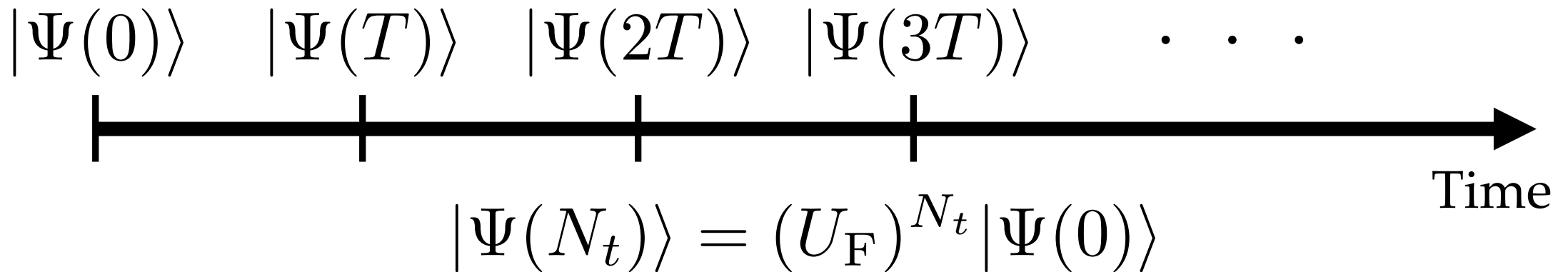
# Trotter dynamics

○ Trotter dynamics can be understood as Floquet dynamics

$$U_F = e^{-iH_1 dt} e^{-iH_2 dt} \quad H(t) = \begin{cases} H_1 & t \in [0, T/2), \\ H_2 & t \in [T/2, T) \end{cases}$$

$$dt = \frac{T}{2}$$

$$i\partial_t |\Psi\rangle = H |\Psi\rangle \quad H(t+T) = H(t)$$





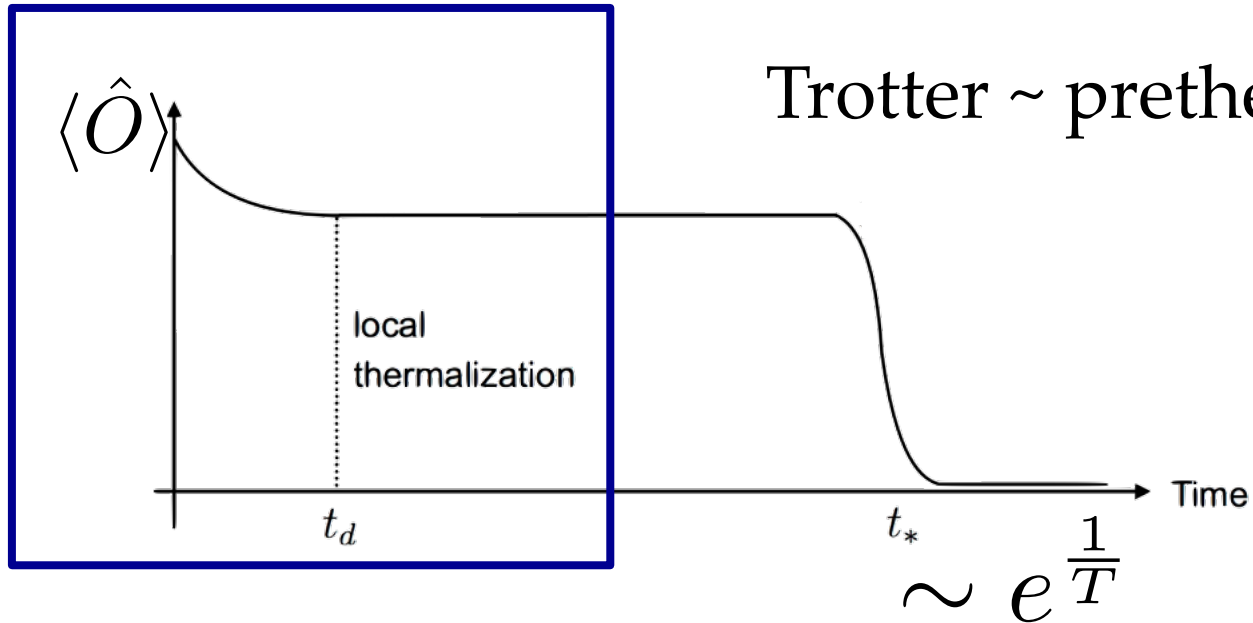
# Trotter dynamics

## ○ Trotter transition

Heyl, Hauke, Zoller '18

Varnier, Bertini, Giudici, Piroli '23

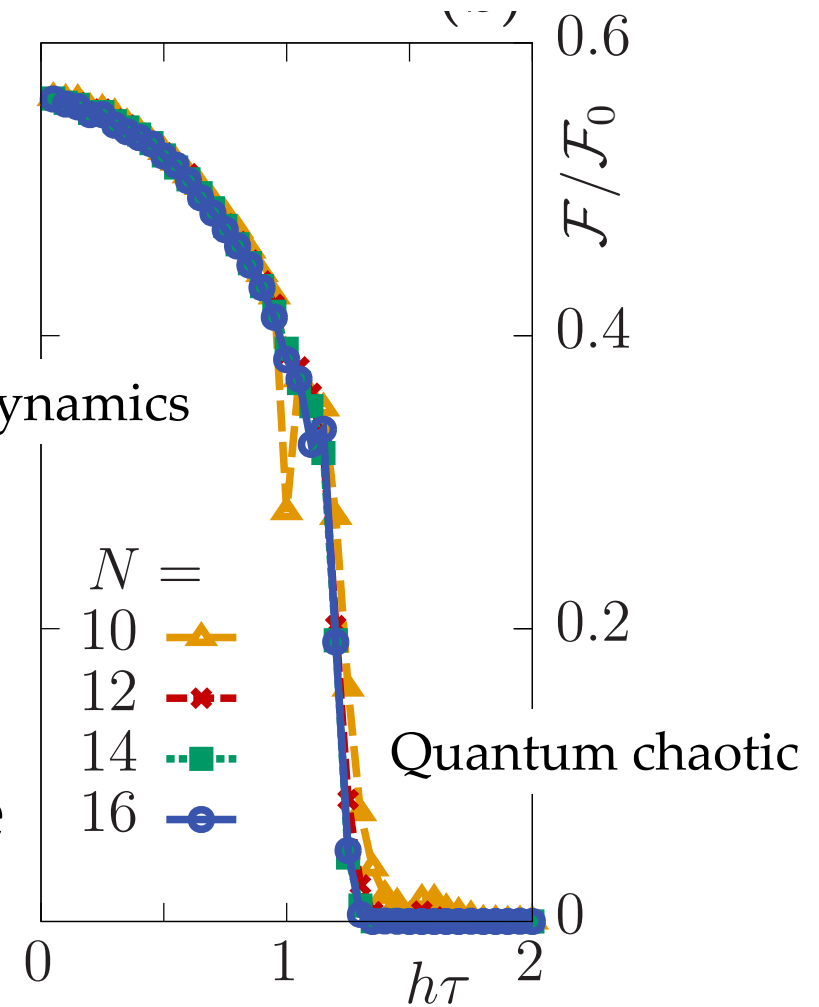
Trotter error is under control if  $dt < dt_c$



Trotter ~ prethermal phase

Trotter dynamics

OTOC



prethermalization dynamics is feasible to NISQ devices

# Trotter dynamics as Floquet dynamics

## ○ Feasibility of information scrambling on the present best fidelity hardware

Ion traps: Kazuhiro Seki, Yuta Kikuchi, Tomoya Hayata, Seiji Yunoki, 2405.07613 [quant-ph]

## ○ Thermalization dynamics with many qubits

Superconducting qubits:

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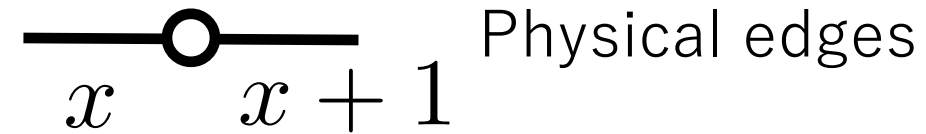
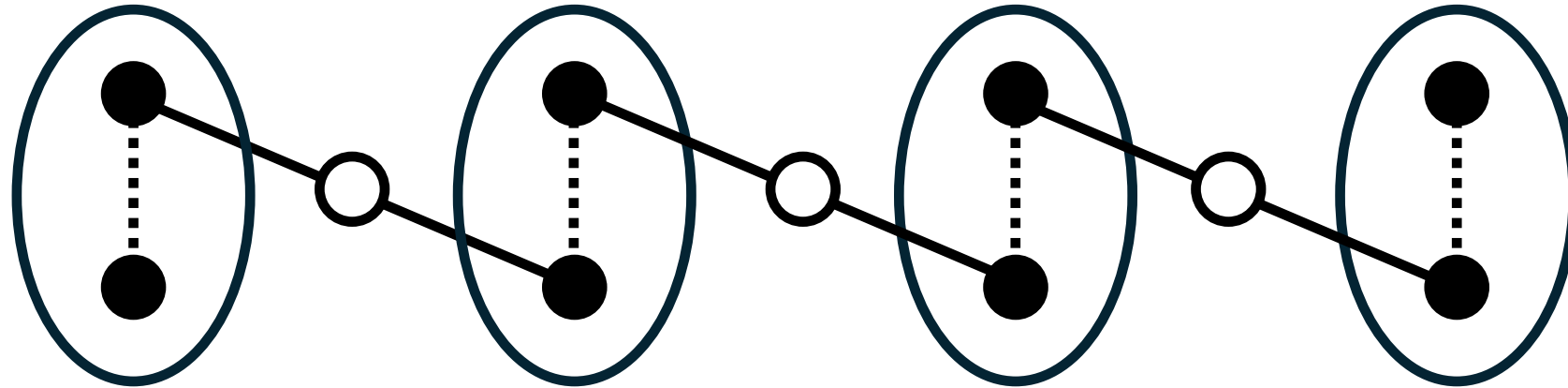
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# (1+1)-dimensional $Z_2$ LGT

● Fermion

Fermions with spins on one-dimensional lattice

○  $Z_2$  Gauge field



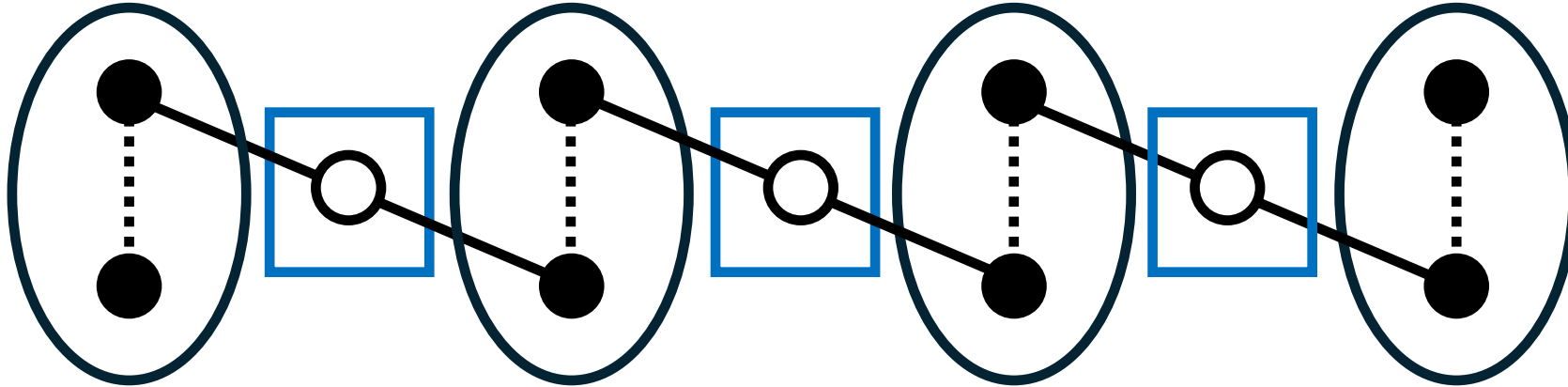
$$|\Psi\rangle = \prod_{x=1}^{N-1} |g(x, x+1)\rangle \prod_{x=1}^N |\psi_1(x)\rangle |\psi_2(x)\rangle$$

# (1+1)-dimensional $Z_2$ LGT: Hamiltonian

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Electric field terms

$$H_g = -\underline{K} \sum_{x=1}^{N-1} X_g(x, x+1)$$

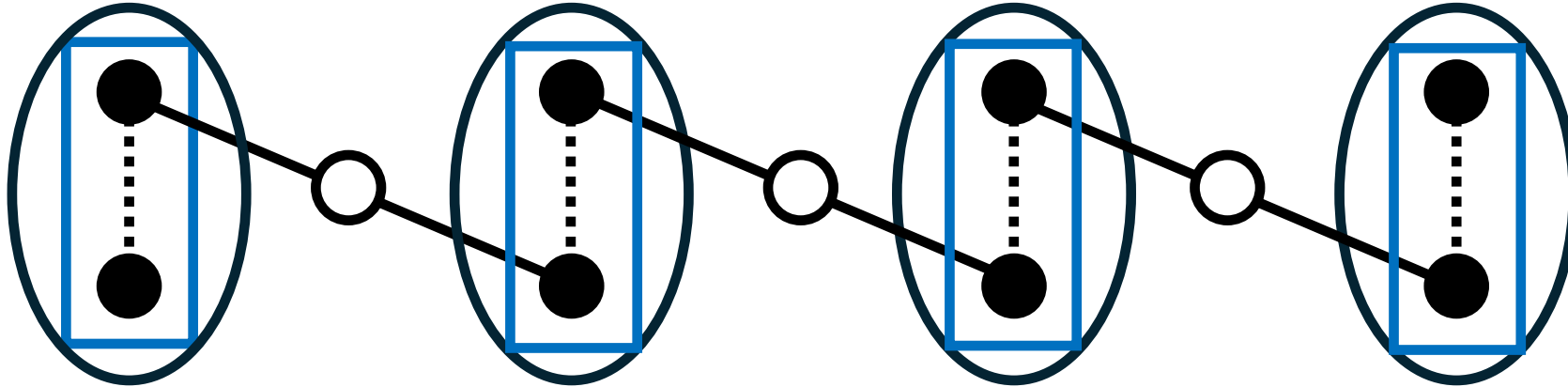
string tension

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Fermion mass terms

$$\gamma_0 = \sigma_x$$

$$H_f = \sum_{x=1}^N (1 + \underline{m}) \psi^\dagger(x) \gamma^0 \psi(x)$$

mass

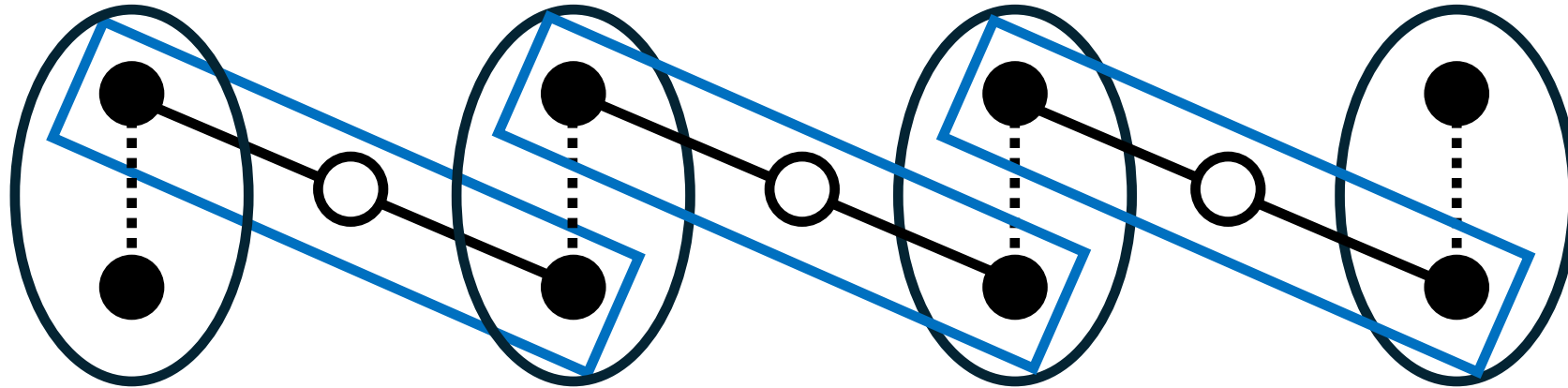
$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Fermion hopping terms

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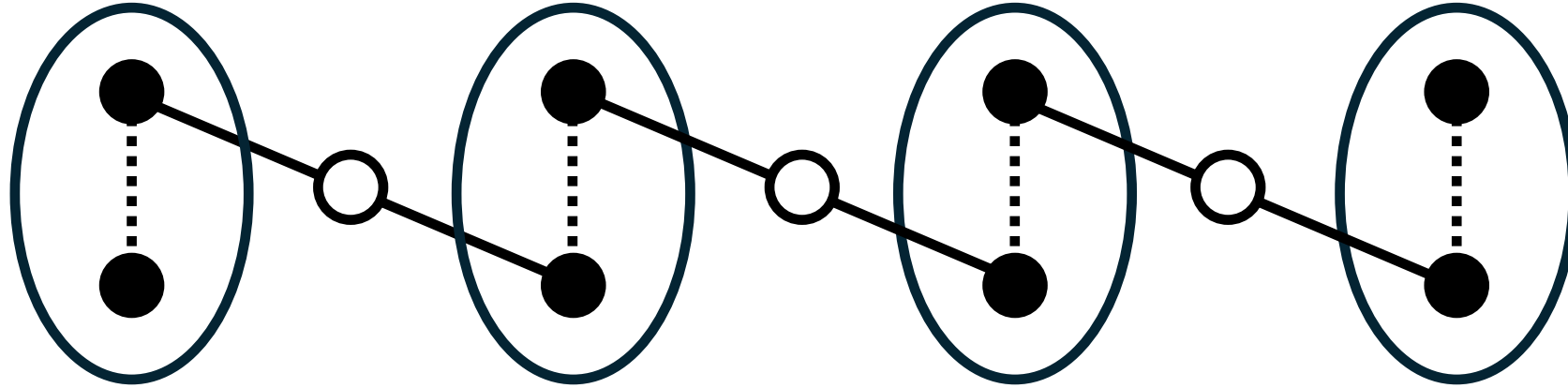
$$\gamma_1 = \sigma_z$$

$$H_{gf} =$$

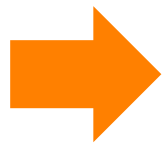
$$- \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x=1}^{N-1} Z_g(x, x+1) \{ \psi^\dagger(x) \gamma^0 (1 - \gamma^1) \psi(x+1) + \psi^\dagger(x+1) \gamma^0 (1 + \gamma^1) \psi(x) \}$$

# Fermions to qubits mapping

- Fermion
- $Z_2$  Gauge field



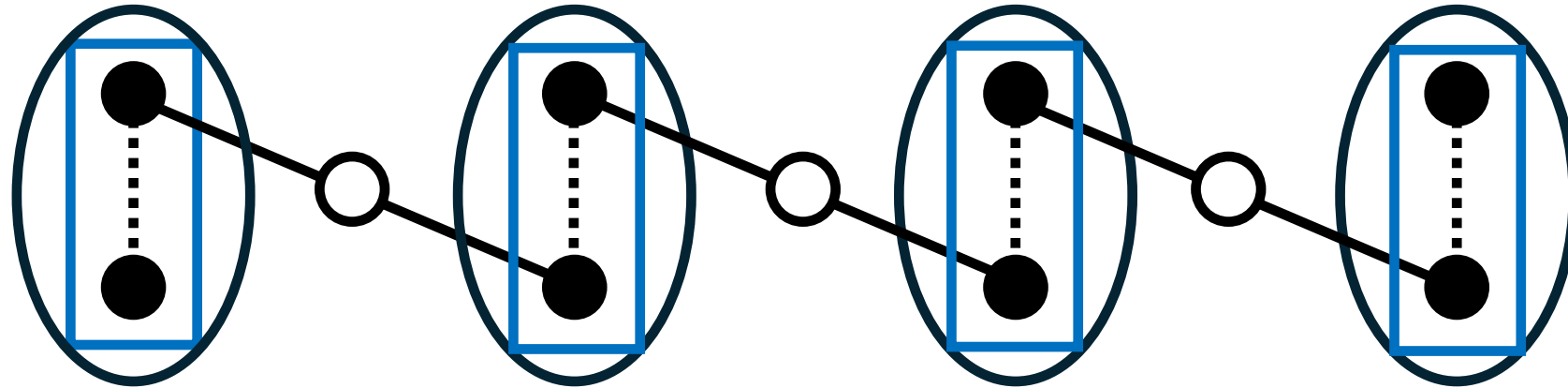
Only nearest neighbor hoppings of 1d spinless fermions



Jordan-Wigner transformation works perfectly

# Hamiltonian: Fermion $\rightarrow$ Qubit

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- $Z_2$  Gauge field



Fermion mass terms

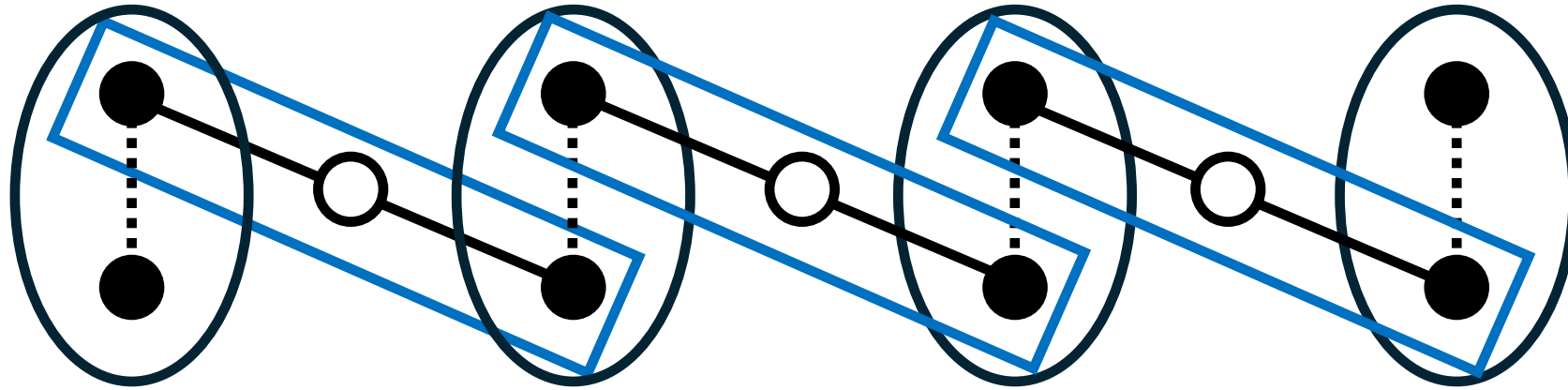
$$H_f = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x=1}^N (1 + m) \{ \underbrace{X_1(x)X_2(x) + Y_1(x)Y_2(x)}_{\text{Spinless Fermion NN hopping terms}} \}$$

Spinless Fermion NN hopping terms



# Hamiltonian: Fermion $\rightarrow$ Qubit

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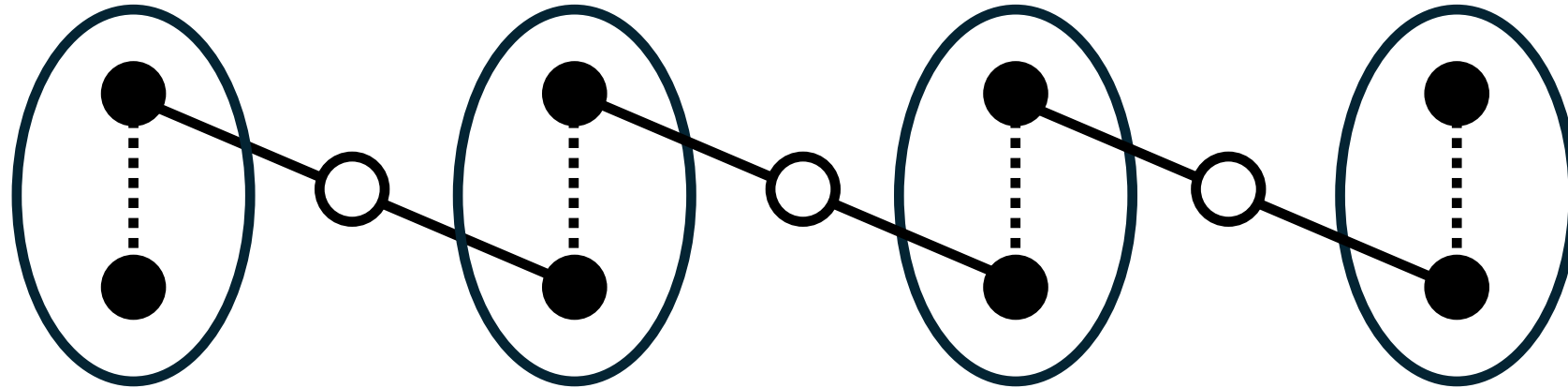
# Hamiltonian: summary

$N$ -site  $Z_2$  LGT



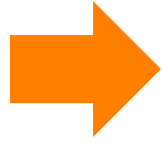
$3N$ -site qubit chain

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# Hamiltonian: summary

$N$ -site  $Z_2$  LGT



$3N$ -site qubit chain

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$$H = H_g + H_f + H_{gf}$$

$$H_g = -K \sum_{x=1}^{N-1} X_g(x, x+1)$$

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# Floquet circuit from Suzuki-Trotter decomposition

1<sup>st</sup> order Suzuki-Trotter decomposition

makes  $dt$  very large

$$U_{\text{F}} = e^{-iH_g dt} e^{-i(H_f + H_g) dt}$$

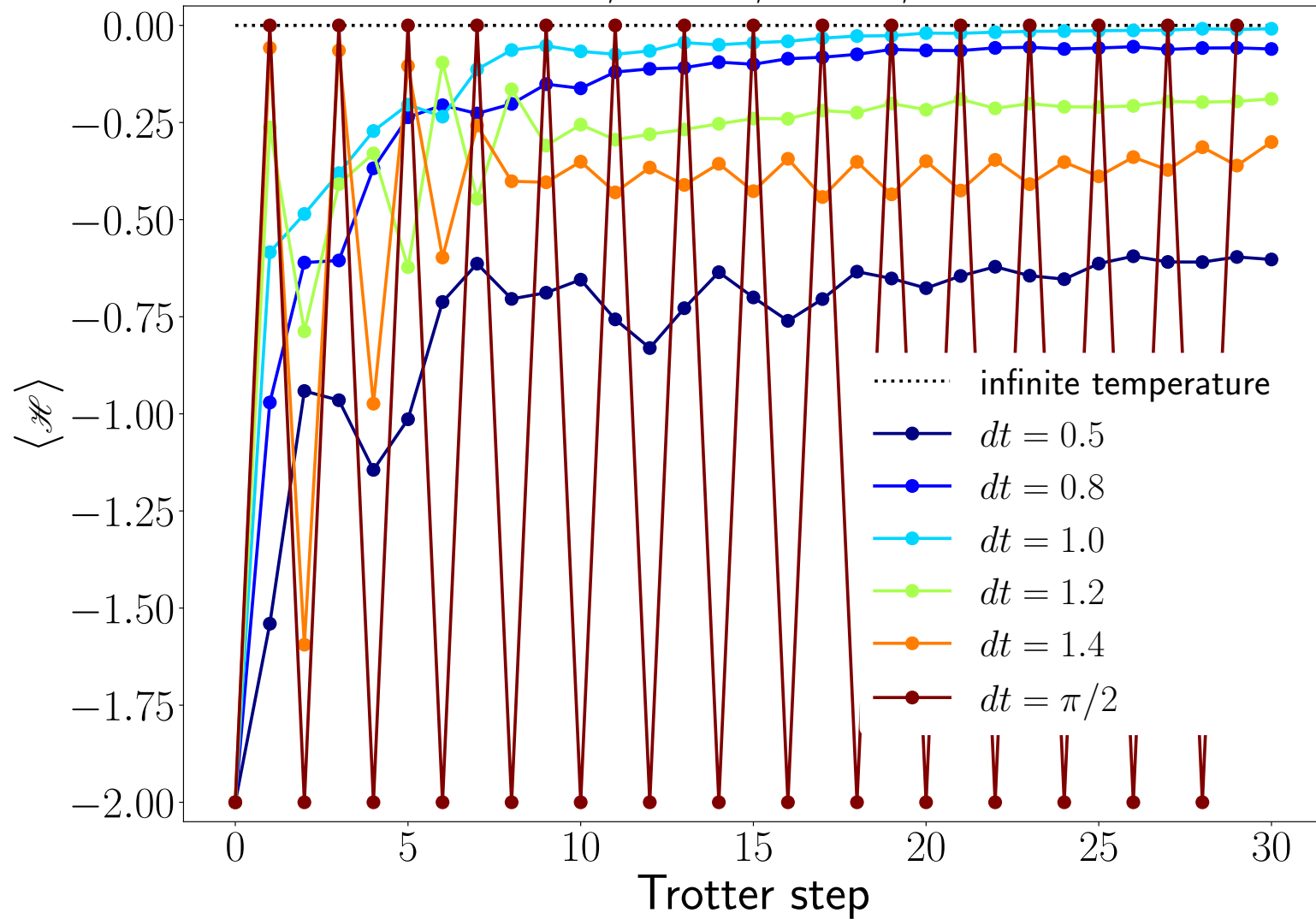
Floquet evolution

$$|\Psi(N_t)\rangle = (U_{\text{F}})^{N_t} |\Psi(0)\rangle$$

Initial state is the groundstate of  $H_f + H_g$

# MPS results

MPS:  $N = 13$ ,  $K = 1.0$ ,  $m = 1.0$ , cutoff =  $10^{-4}$



$H_f$  Fermion mass term  
at the center of chain

2qubit operator

← Hamiltonian

# QC summary

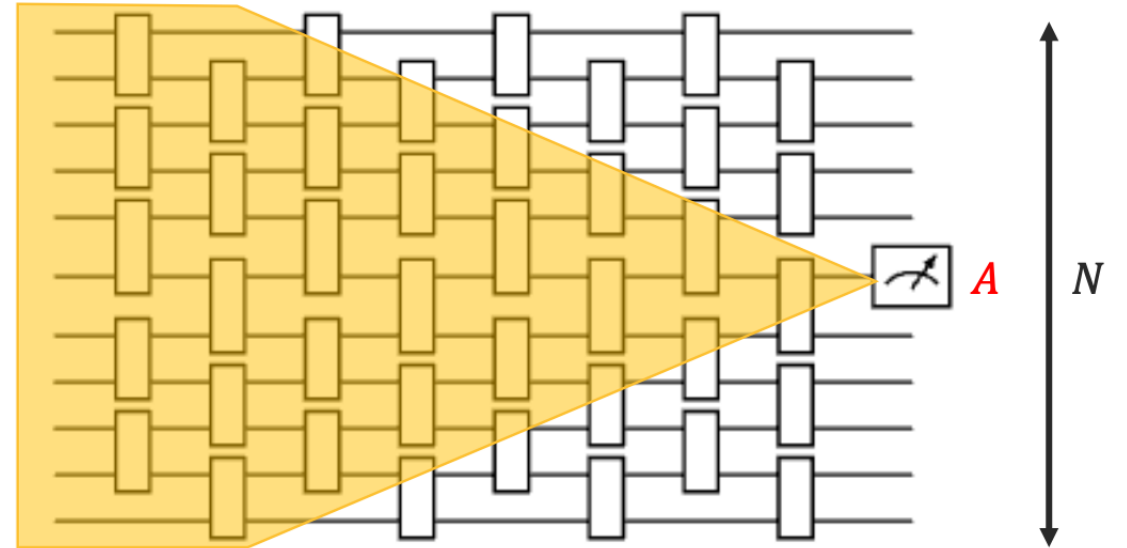
○  $dt = 1.0, 1.4$

○ `ibm_fez` is used

○ 10,000 shot is used

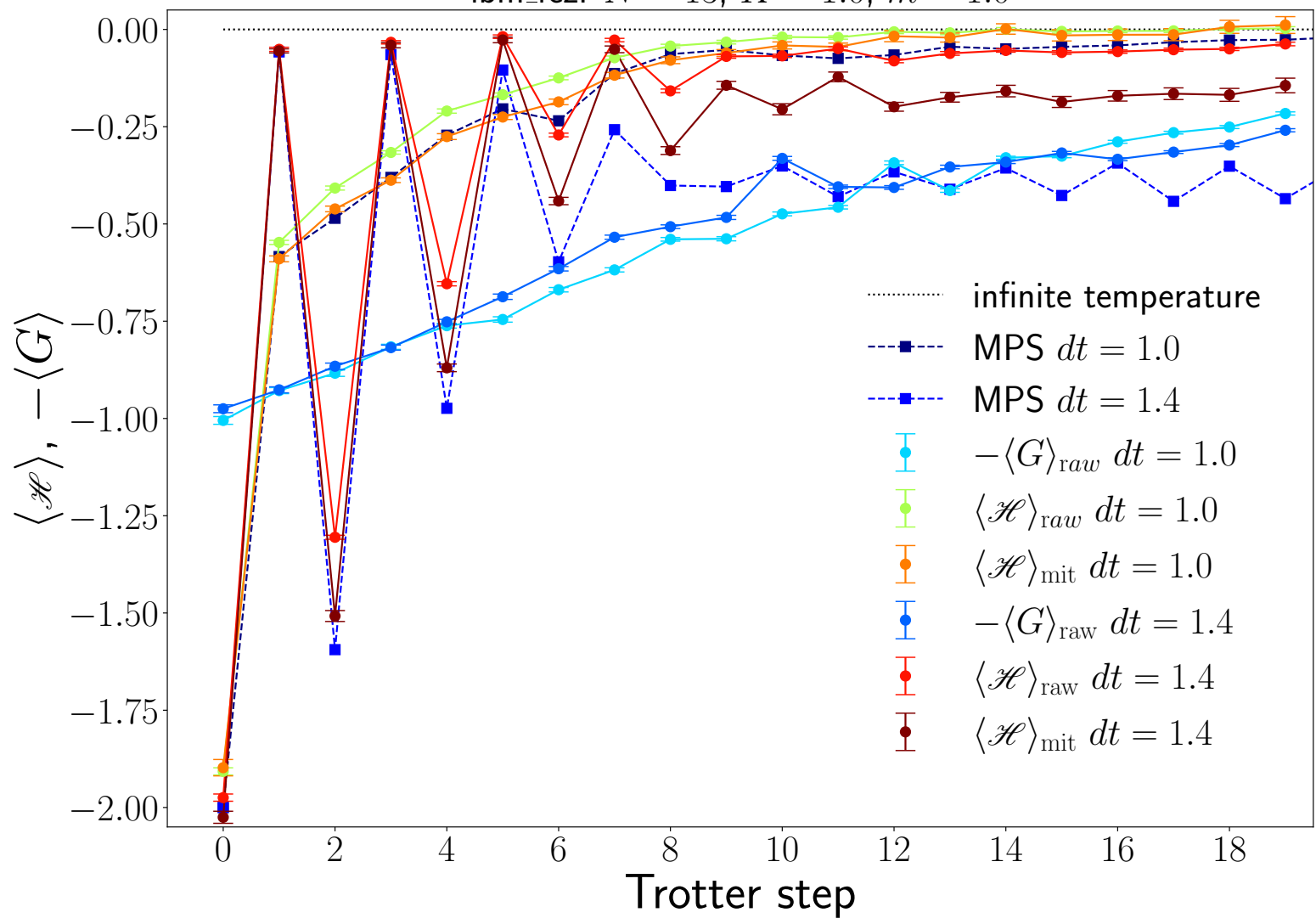
○ Pauli twirling is enabled/ DD is disabled

○ Unnecessary gates outside of the causal cone are removed



# Experimental results (raw data)

ibm\_fez:  $N = 13, K = 1.0, m = 1.0$



$H_f$  Fermion mass term  
at the center of chain

2qubit operator

$G$  Gauss's law operator  
at the center of chain

4qubit operator

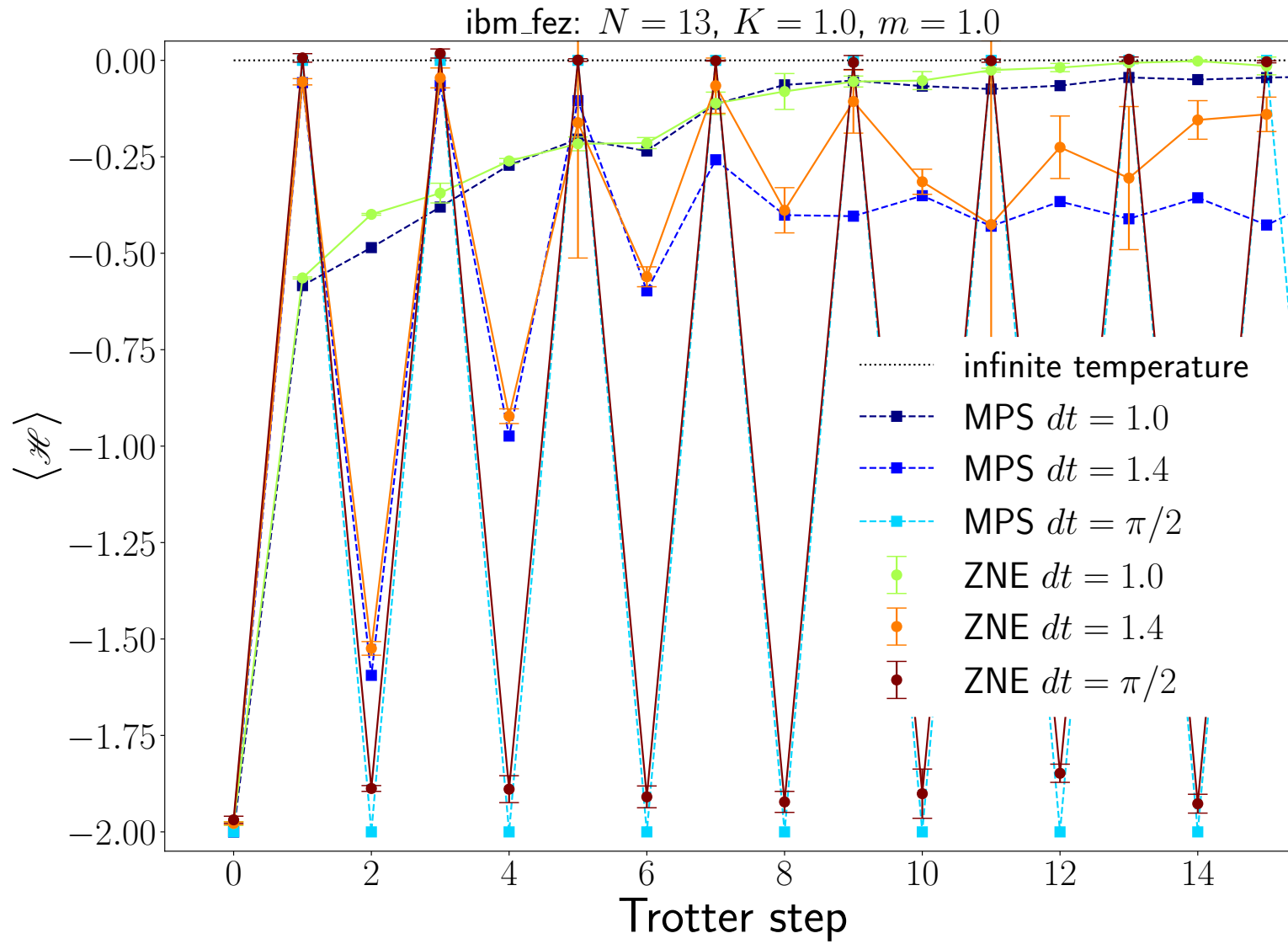
Successful only the very short time and error mitigation is inevitable

# Quantum error mitigation (ZNE)

- running twirled circuits  $U(U^\dagger U)^{\frac{\mathcal{N}-1}{2}}$   $\mathcal{N} = 1, 3, 5$
- extrapolate to the zero noise limit
- Qiskit's native ZNE function is used



# Quantum error mitigation (ZNE)



Successful in running  
Floquet circuit with  $N_t = 10$

(Early stage of)  
Thermal plateaus are observed

Pauli twirling is important

ZNE is the most stable

IBM machine has the capability of simulating the physical phenomena

# Quantum error mitigation (Gauss's laws)

- assume the global depolarizing channel as a noise model

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\text{raw}} = f \langle \hat{O} \rangle_{\text{ideal}} + \frac{1-f}{2^{3N-1}} \text{Tr} \hat{O}$$

- estimate  $f$  by measuring Gauss's law

$$\langle \hat{G} \rangle_{\text{ideal}} = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \langle \hat{G} \rangle_{\text{noisy}} = f$$

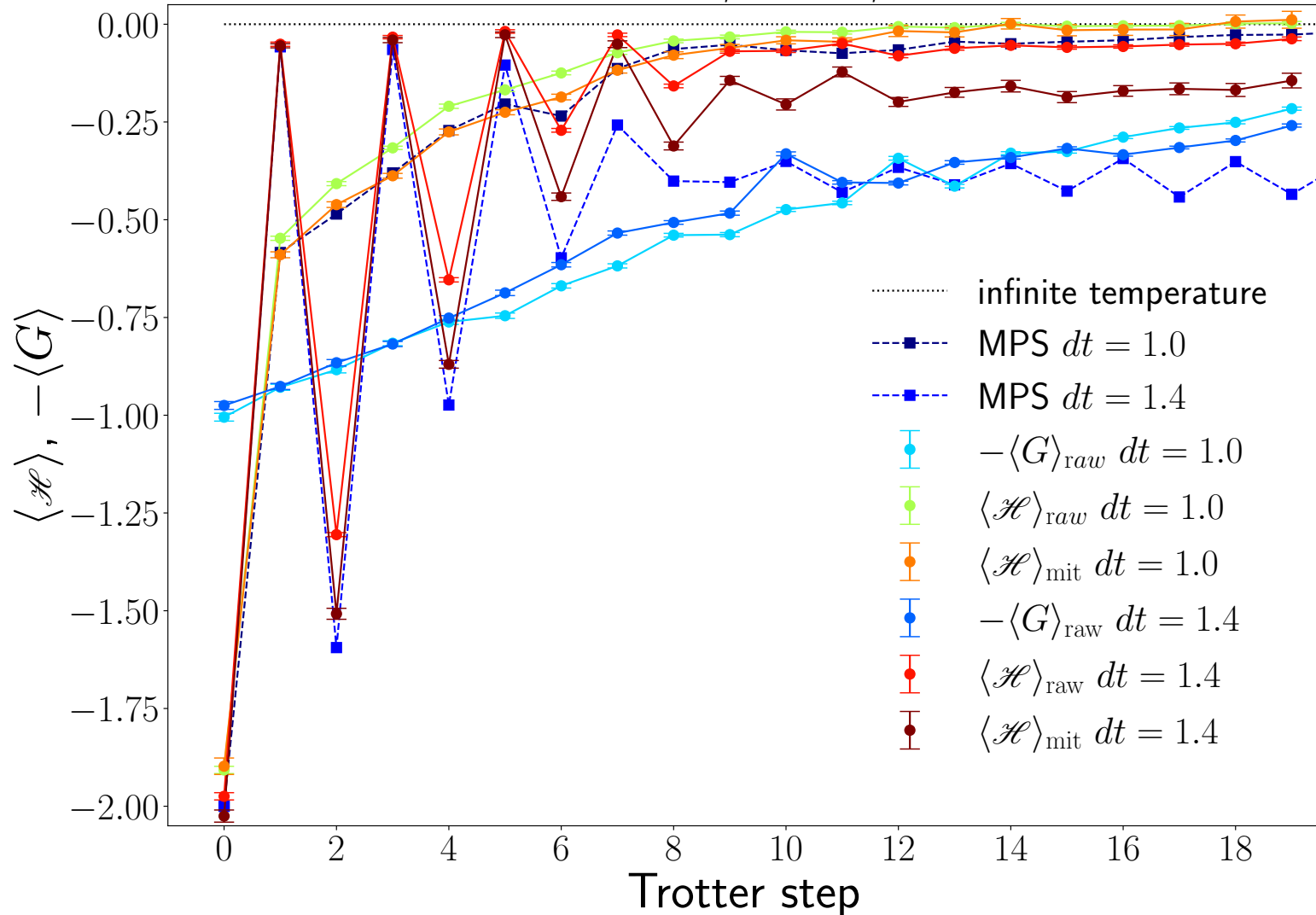
- rescale observables by

$$\langle \mathcal{H}(x_c) \rangle_{\text{mit}} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{H}(x_c) \rangle_{\text{raw}}}{\langle G(x_c) \rangle_{\text{raw}}}$$

- is unique to LGT and computationally very cheap

# Quantum error mitigation (Gauss's laws)

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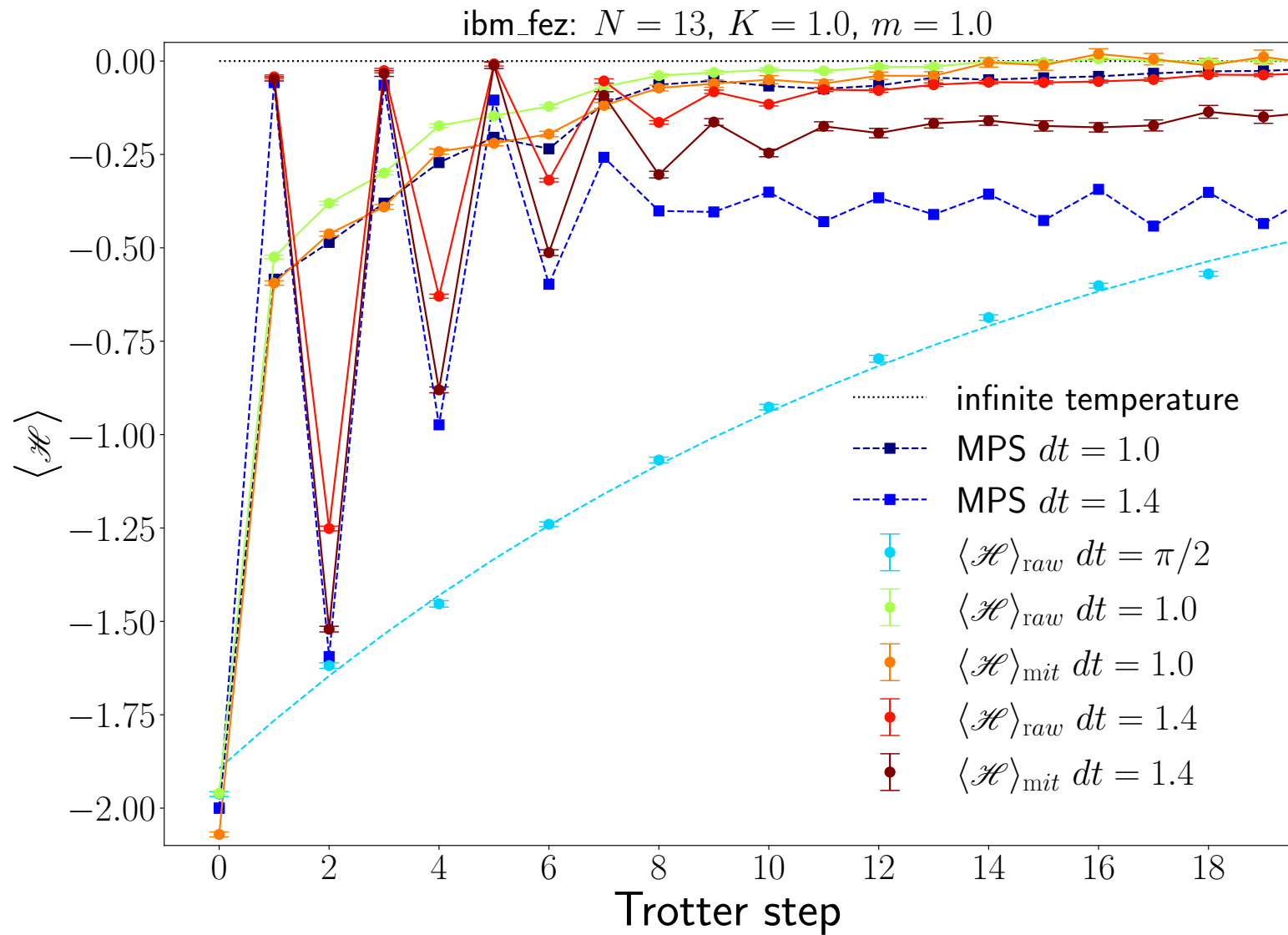
- run the same circuit with the “solvable” parameter

- rescale observables by

$$\langle \mathcal{H}(x_c) \rangle_{\text{mit}} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{H}(x_c) \rangle_{\text{raw}}}{f}$$

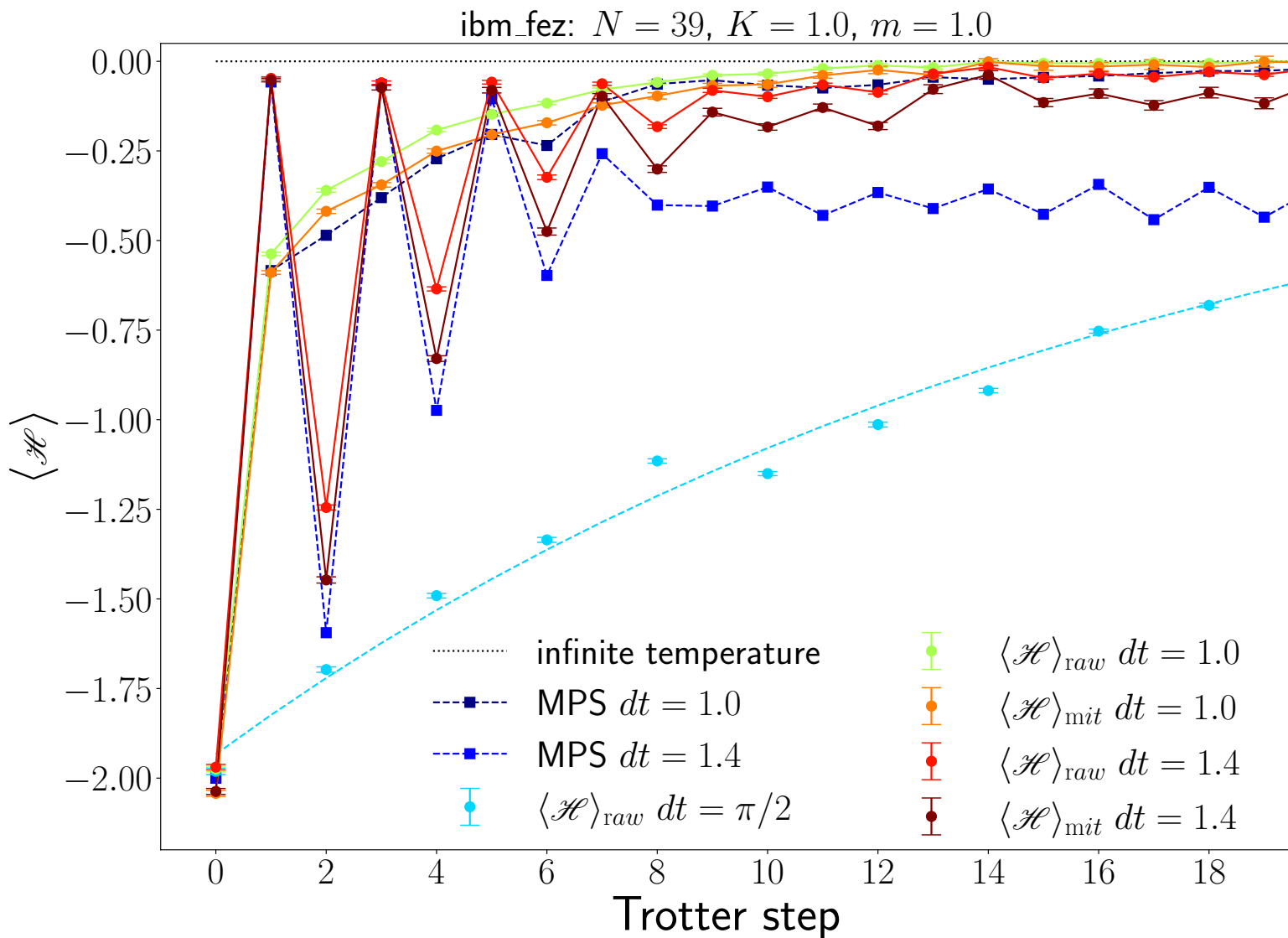
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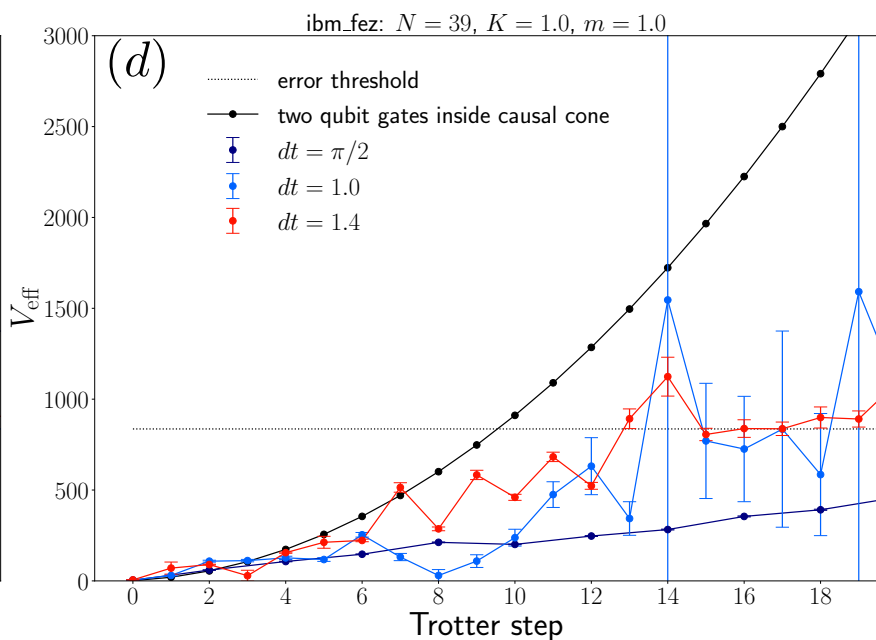
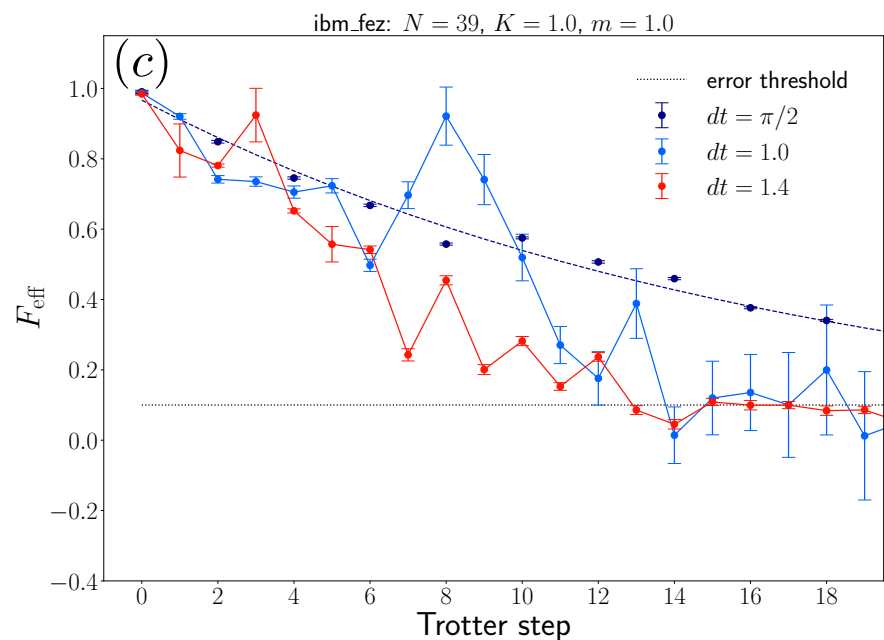
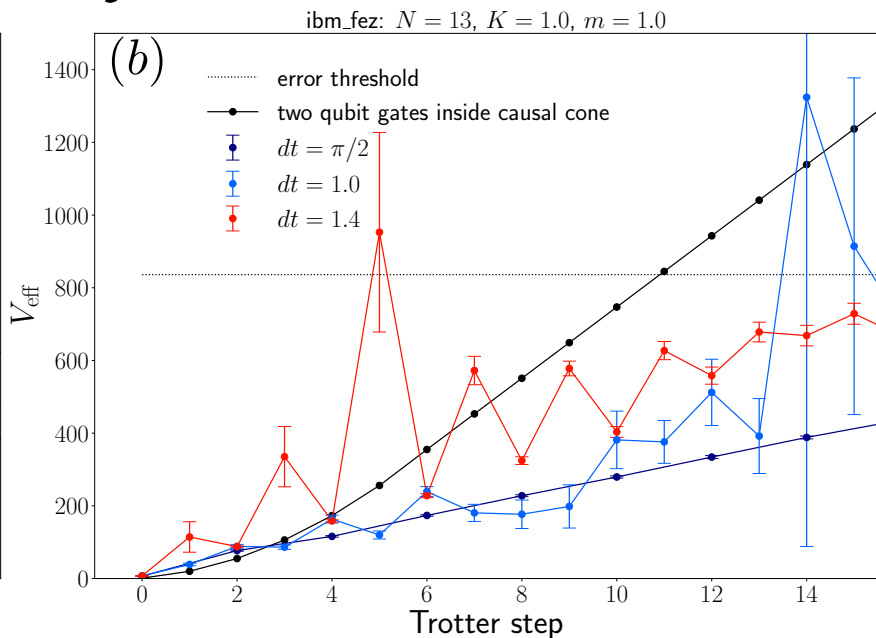
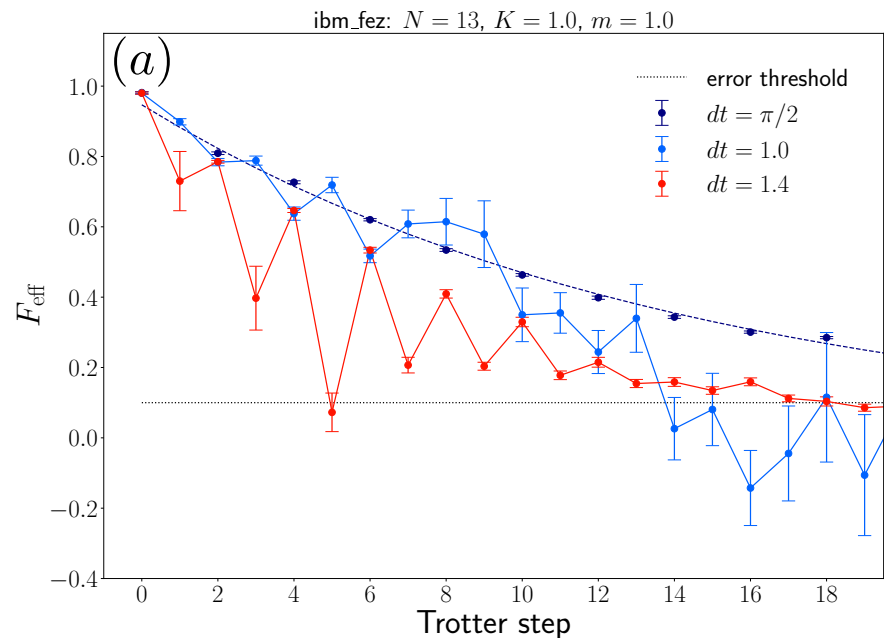
# Quantum error mitigation (ODR): $N > 100$ qubits



Successful in running  
Floquet circuit with  $N_t = 10$   
and beyond 100 qubits

We can simulate the physical phenomena in the quantum utility scale

# Fidelity and circuit volume



$$F_{\text{eff}} = (1 - p)^{V_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$p = 2.75 \times 10^{-3}$$

Growth of  $V_{\text{eff}}$  is very slow

Thermalization dynamics  
may be useful for  
showing quantum advantage

# Summary

- QC for QFT is anticipated but challenging
- Quantum simulation of Floquet circuits in near future devices is interesting and may be useful for showing quantum advantage
- Lattice gauge theories have complex Hamiltonians and may provide good playgrounds for testing the capability of QCs

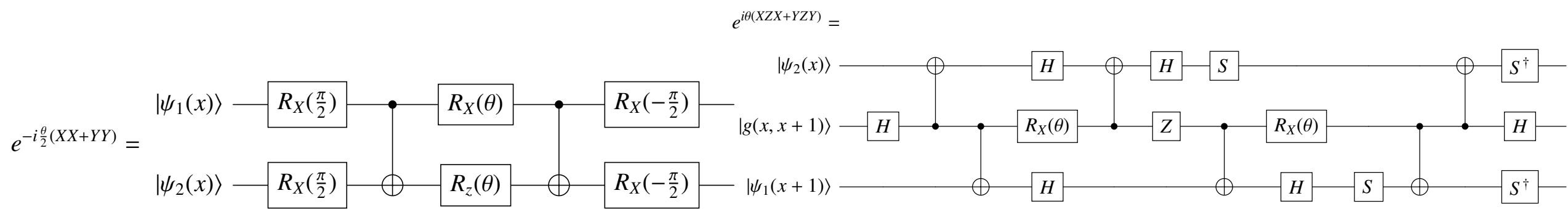


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1<sup>st</sup> order Suzuki-Trotter decomposition

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In total,  $(8N - 6)N_t + N$  CZ gates

Initial state is the groundstate of  $H_f + H_g$