

Measuring the Butterfly Velocity in the XY Model on Emerging Quantum Computers

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Introduction

What is a Quantum Computer?

Quantum Computer

A device that maps a sequence of gates to real numbers according to some rules of quantum mechanics (L2 normalised states measured using Born Rule). This allows n qubits to utilise an N dimensional complex Hilbert space for computations.

Qubits

Quantum bits that take the form $|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle = (\alpha, \beta)^T \in \mathcal{H}$.

Gates

Functions $G : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$, generally represented by unitary matrices.

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Out-of-Time-Order Correlator (OTOC)

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$$W(t) \equiv e^{iHt} W e^{-iHt} \equiv U^\dagger W U$$

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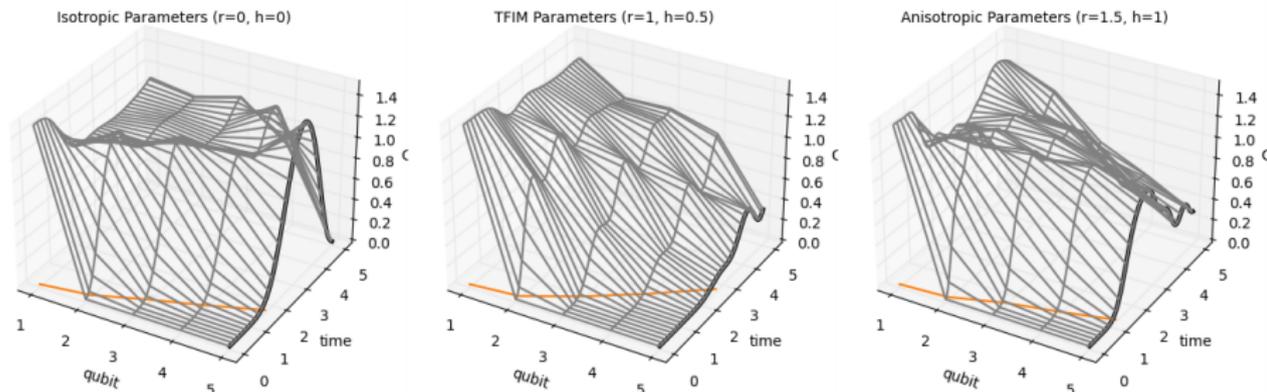
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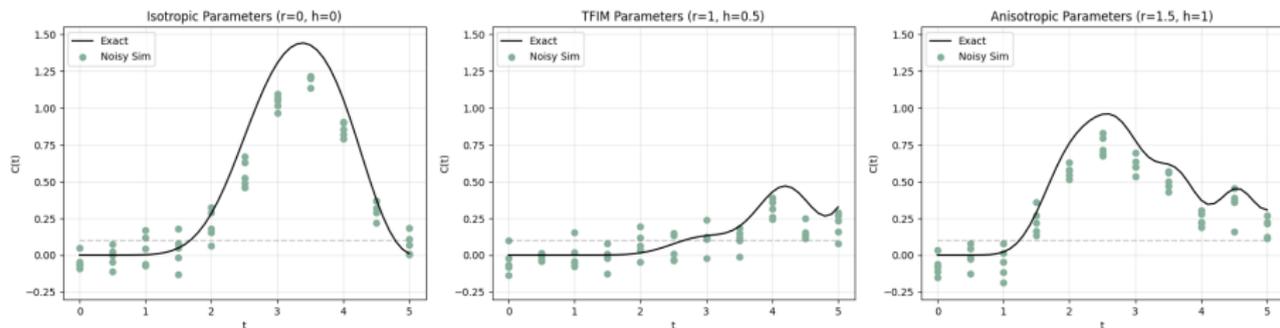
Build a robust, near-optimal, scalable numerical quantum algorithms for measuring information transport using out-of-time-order correlation functions (OTOCs).

OTOC Wireframe Plots



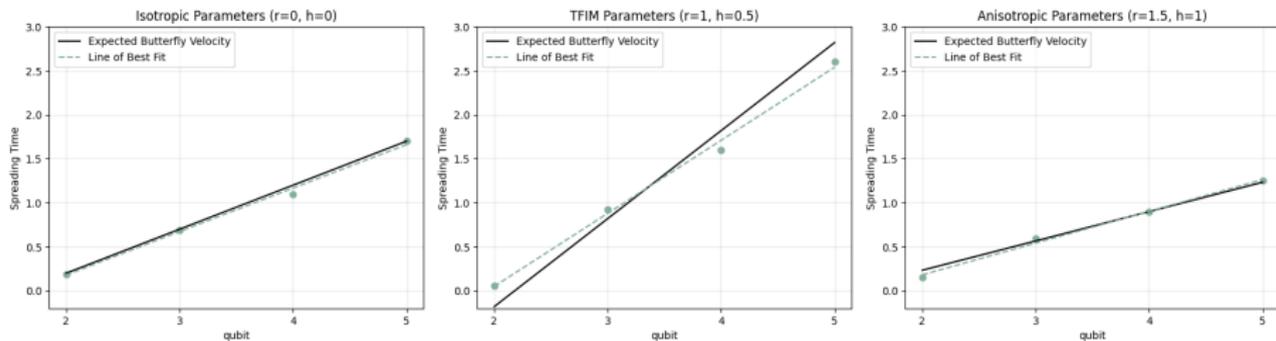
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IBM-FakeTorino Noisy Quantum Simulator Plots



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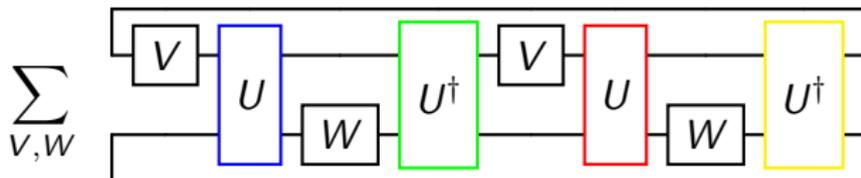


$$\text{Spreading Time: } t_j = \min_t \{C_j(t) > 0.1\}$$

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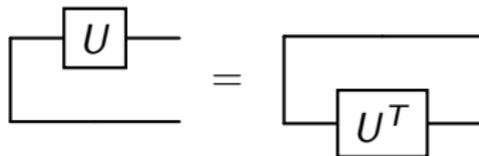
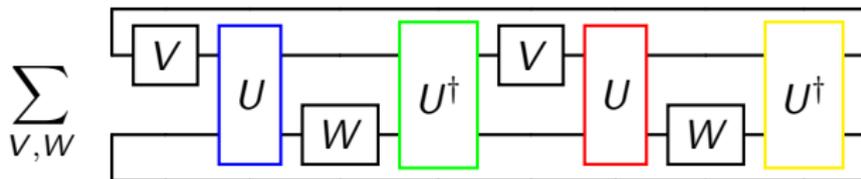
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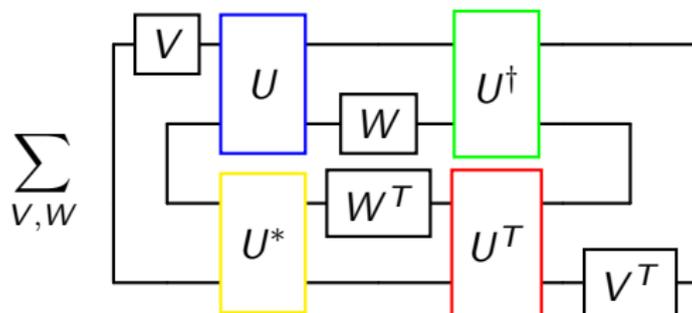
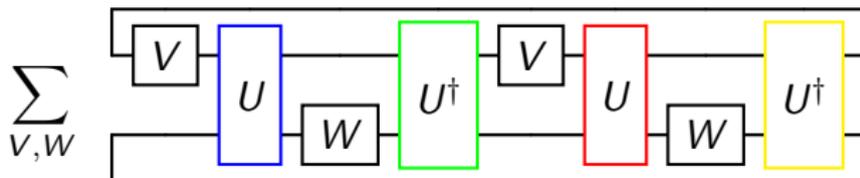
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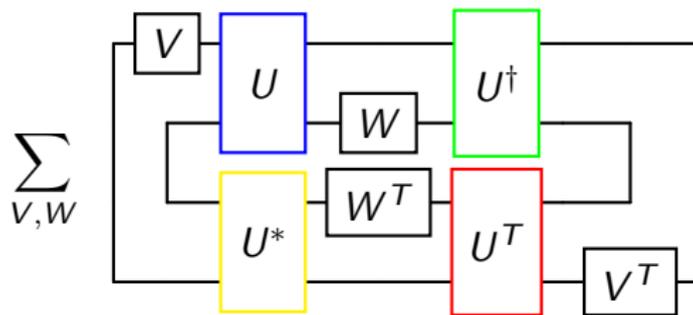


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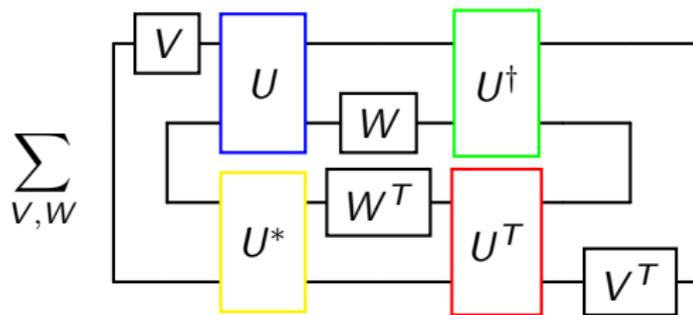
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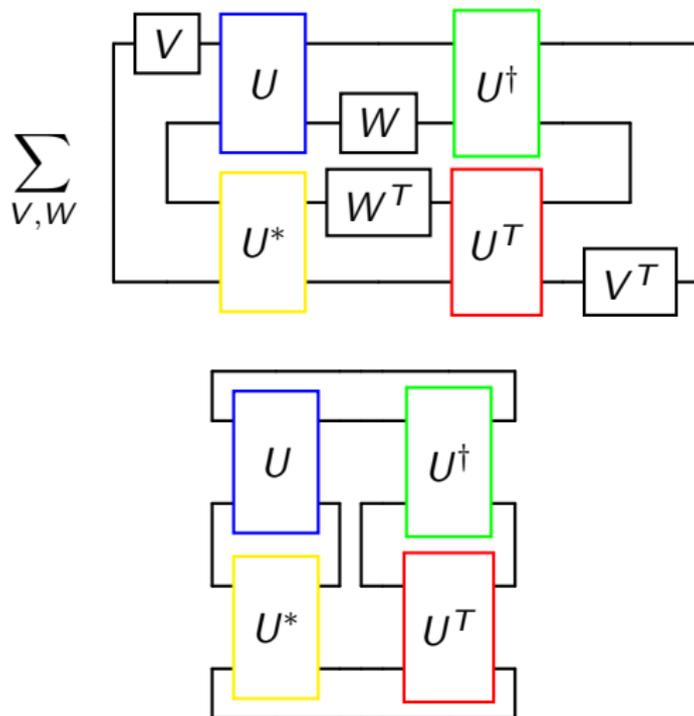


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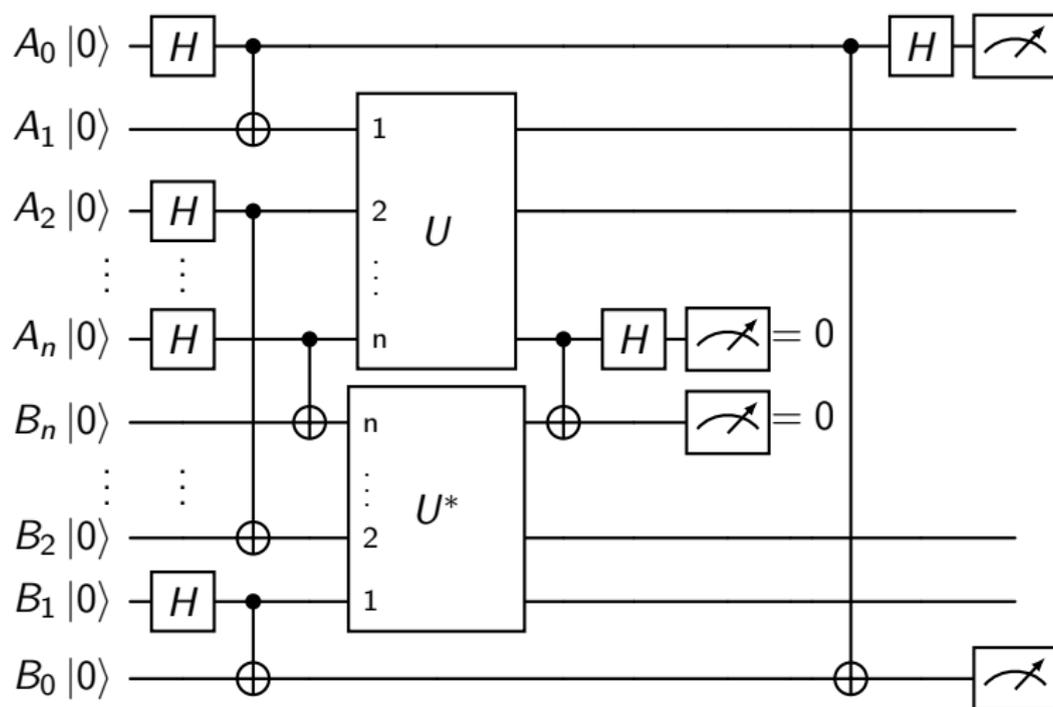


$$\sum_{P \in \{I, X, Y, Z\}} P^T \otimes P = \square \square$$

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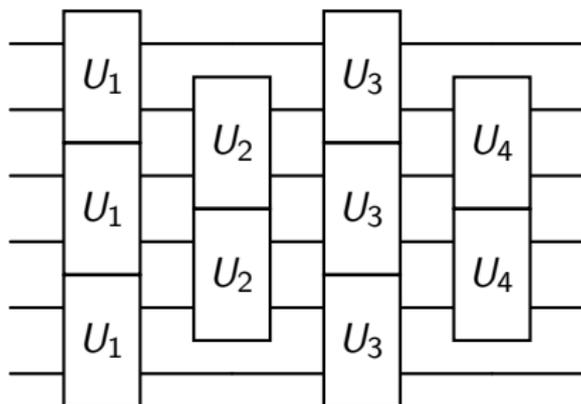


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Manifold optimisation method of Riemannian Trust Regions method to map the Hamiltonian H to a set of local $SU(4)$ gates.

Utilise properties of the Hamiltonian, such as translation-invariance.

Non-asymptotically more promising than Product-Splitting methods (such as Lie-Trotter-Suzuki-Strang-Yoshida)

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Bogoliubov Angle

$$u_k = \cos(\theta_k/2) \quad v_k = \sin(\theta_k/2)$$

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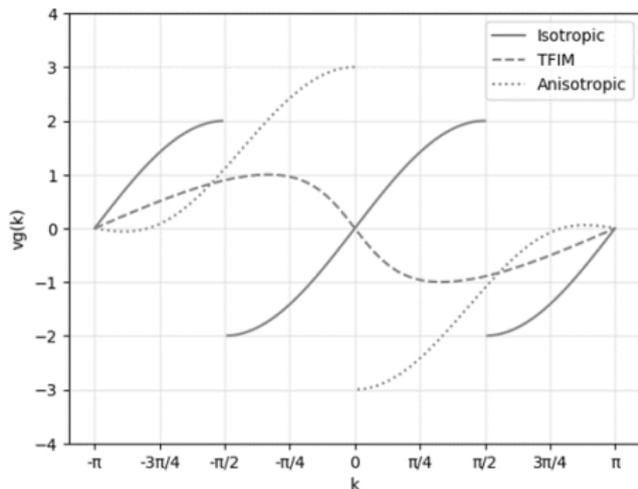
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	J	r	h	v_B
Isotropic	1	0	0	2
TFIM	1	1	0.5	1
Anisotropic	1	1.5	1	3

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Also, read the pre-print (if Section II ever gets finished...) at [arXiv 2410.XXXXX](https://arxiv.org/abs/2410.XXXXX)