

# **KMI School 2024**

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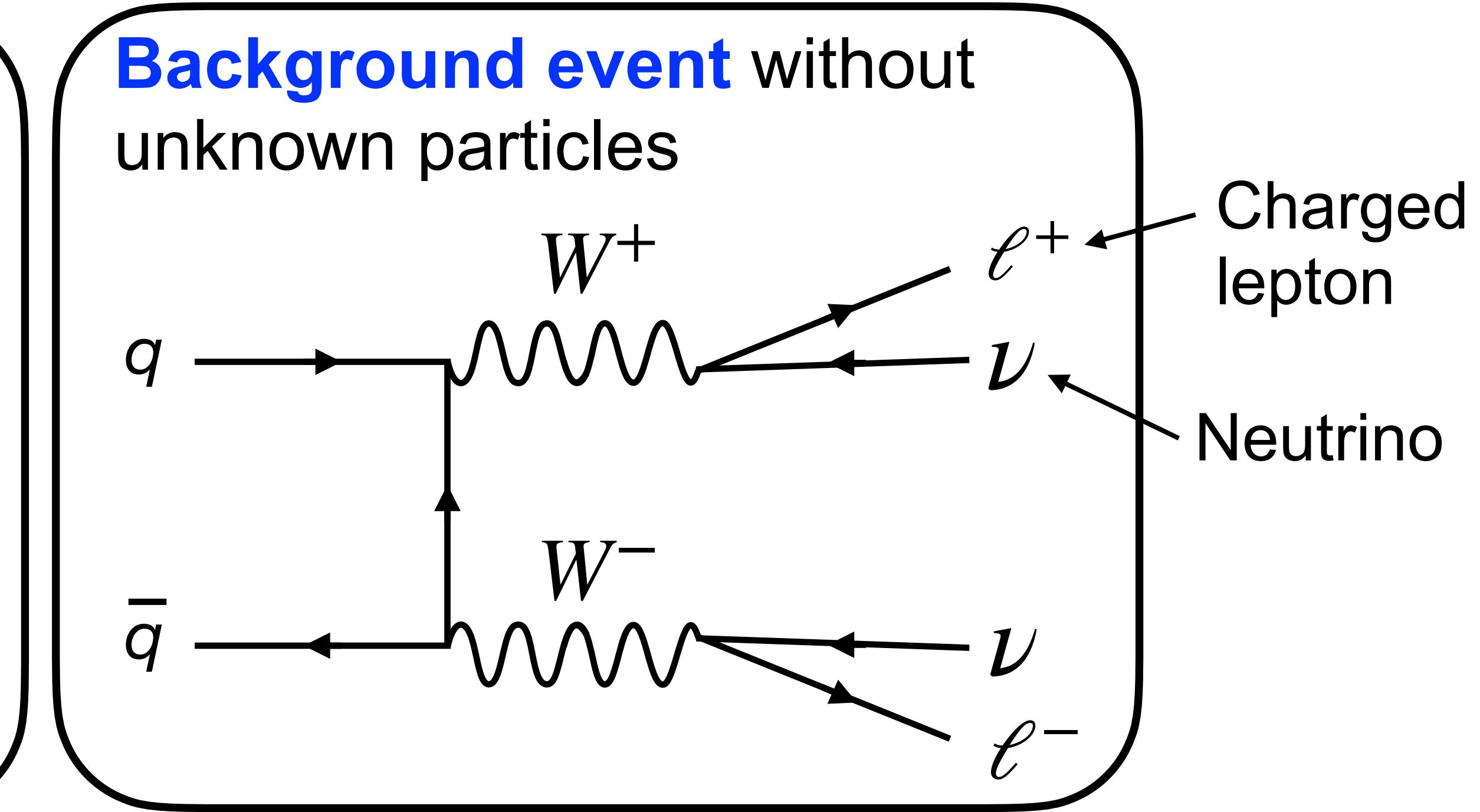
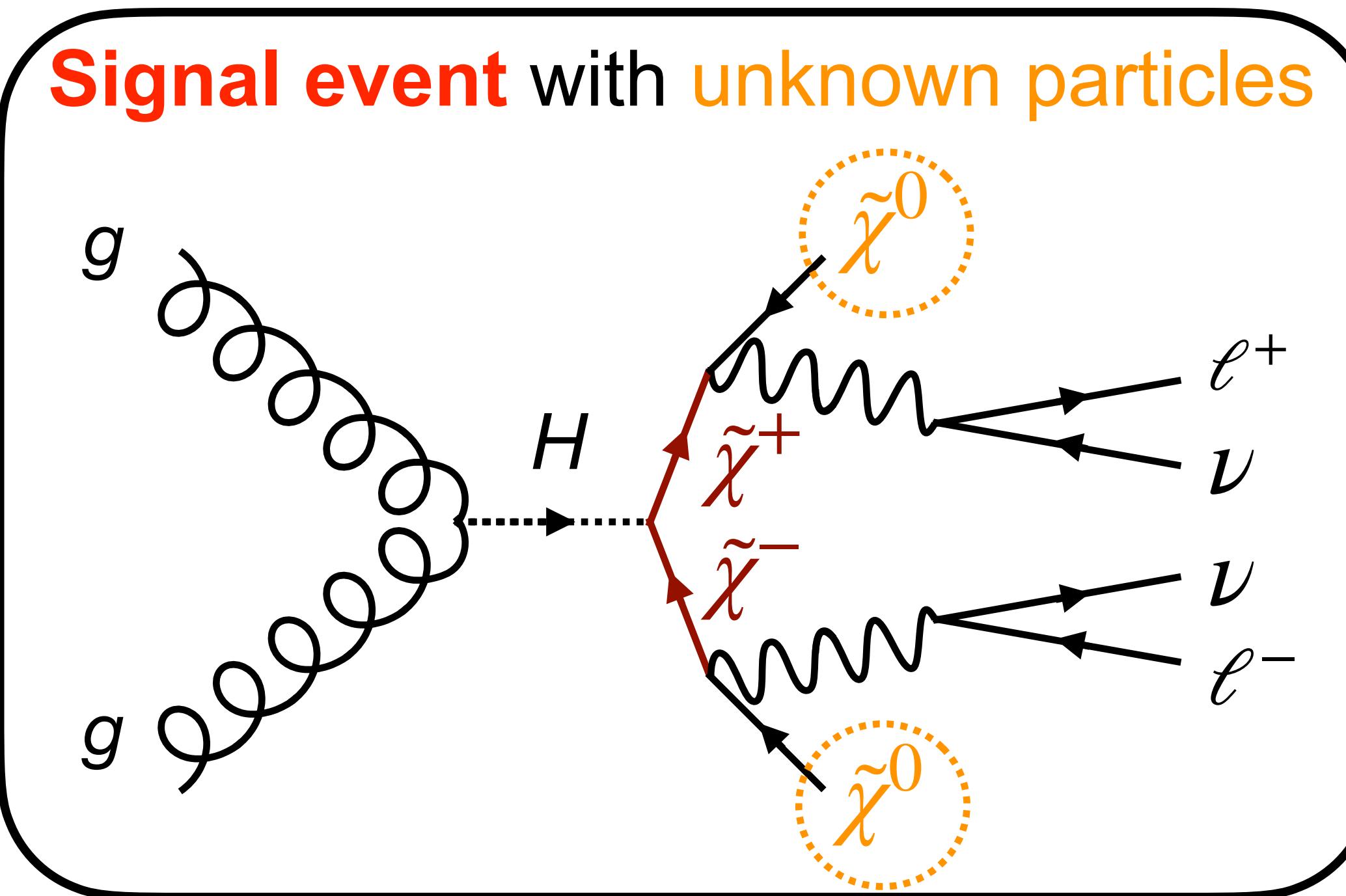
## **Quantum Computing Applications to HEP**

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ICEPP, The University of Tokyo  
Koji Terashi

# Reminder: QML Application to Event Classification

Classify events that contain new physics signal from background events

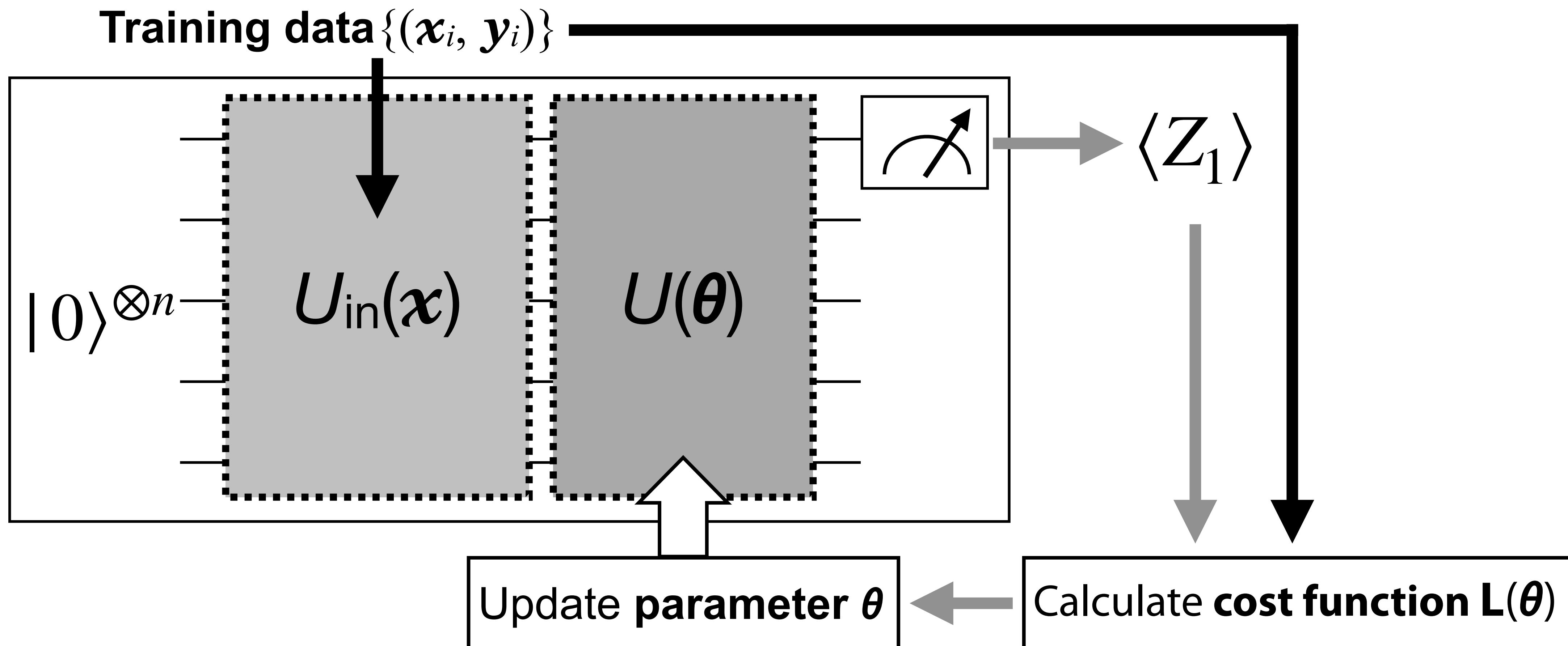


Neutralino → Not observed by the detector, like SM neutrino

Use differences in kinematical properties due to the presence of  $H$  and  $\tilde{\chi}^\pm/\tilde{\chi}^0$  to classify signal from background

# Reminder: QML Application to Event Classification

Conventional Quantum Neural Network (QNN) model for supervised machine learning task

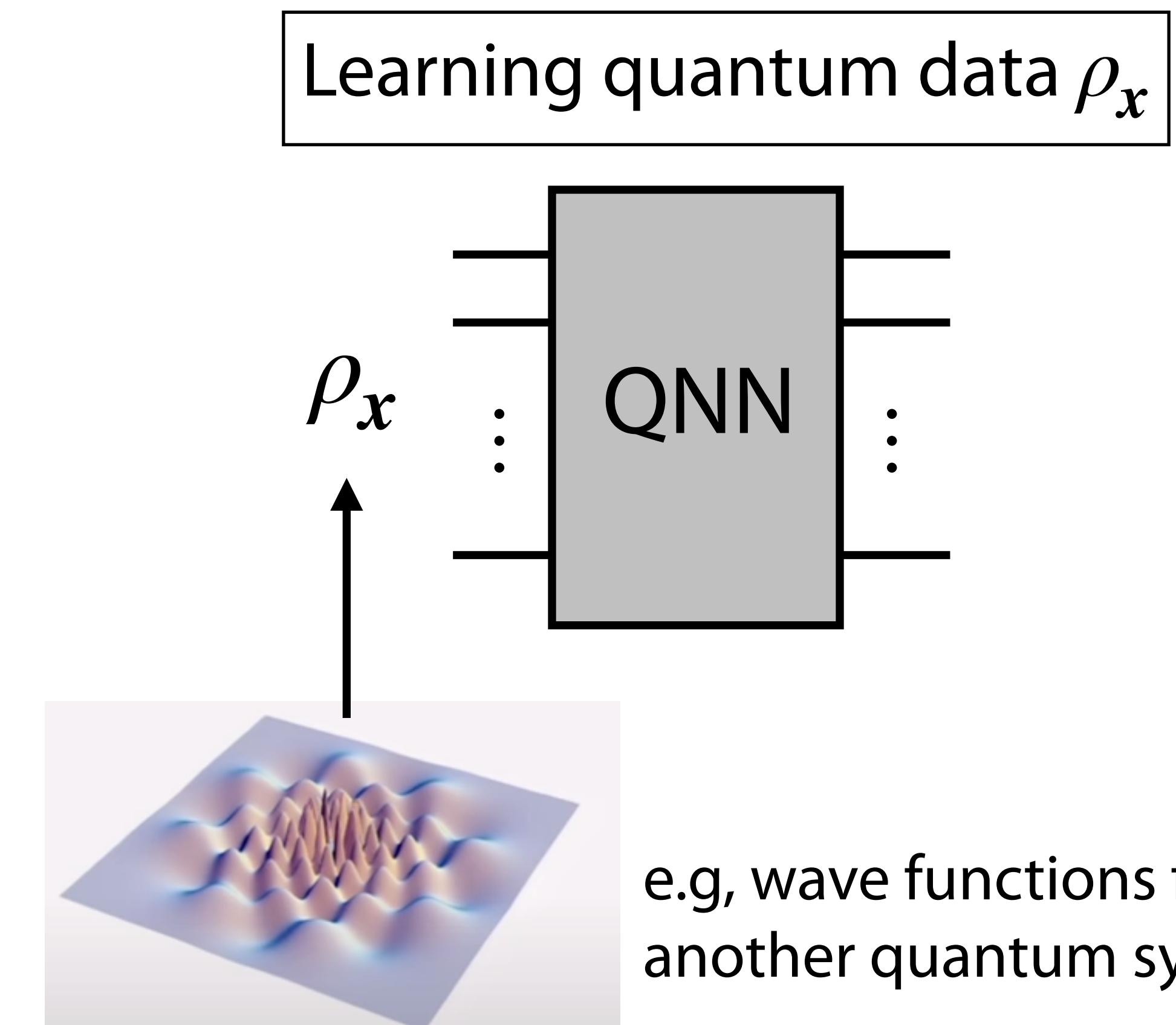
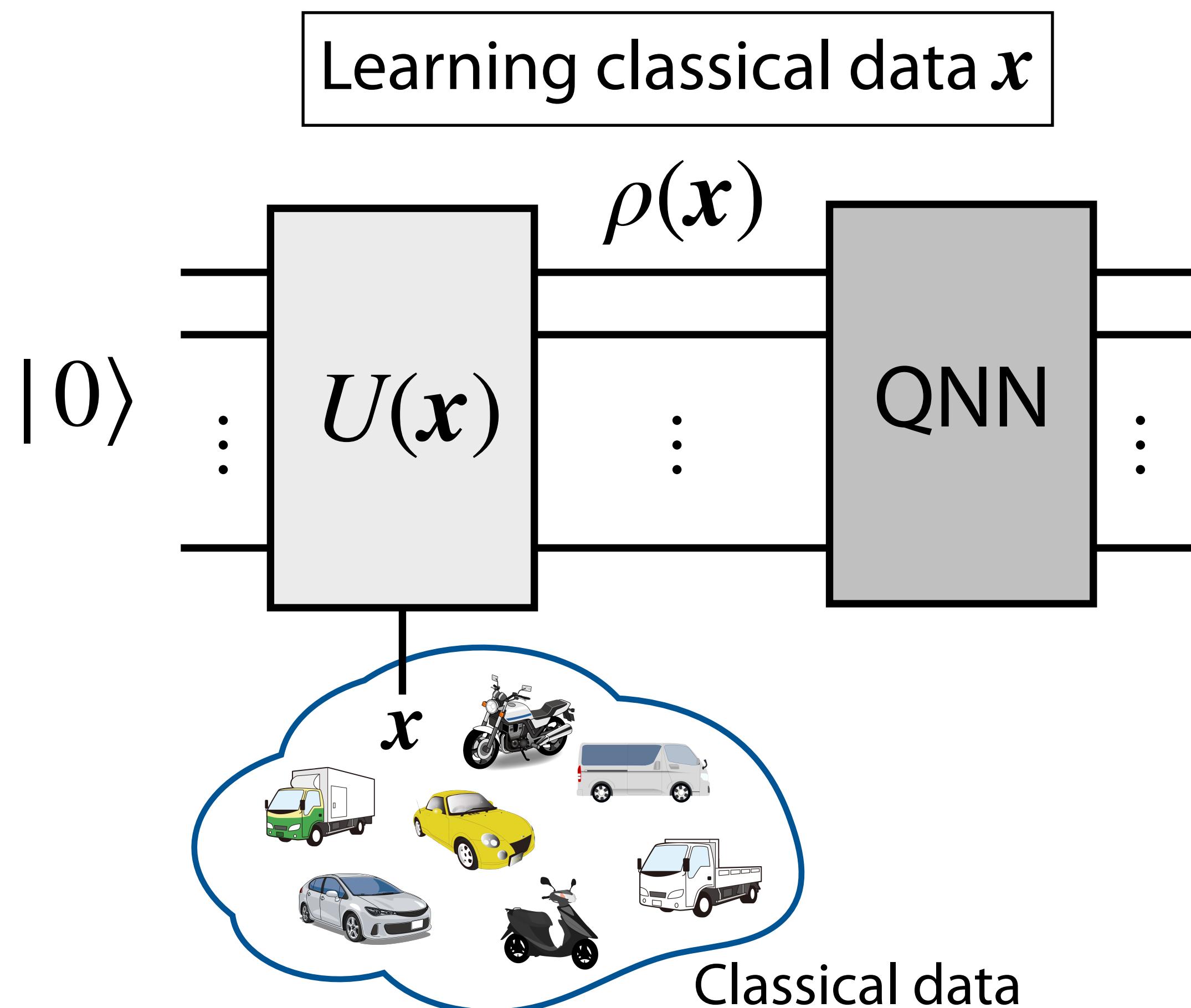


# Learning on Quantum Data

Considered so far classification problem of classical data

*Caveat: classical analysis methods such as deep neural networks quite powerful...*

Let us think more *quantum-friendly* problem suitable for quantum computer

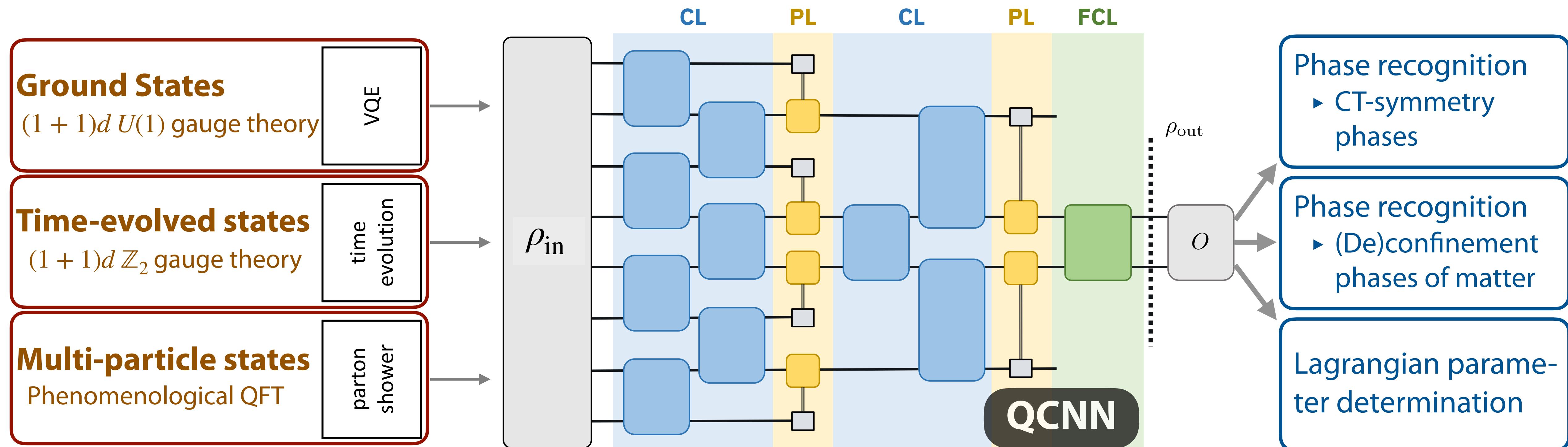


e.g, wave functions from another quantum system

# QML Application to Quantum Data

Extract physical properties by learning various quantum states generated by quantum simulations

L. Nagano, A. Miessen, T. Onodera, I. Tavernelli, F. Tacchino, K. Terashi, [arXiv:2306.17214](https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.17214)



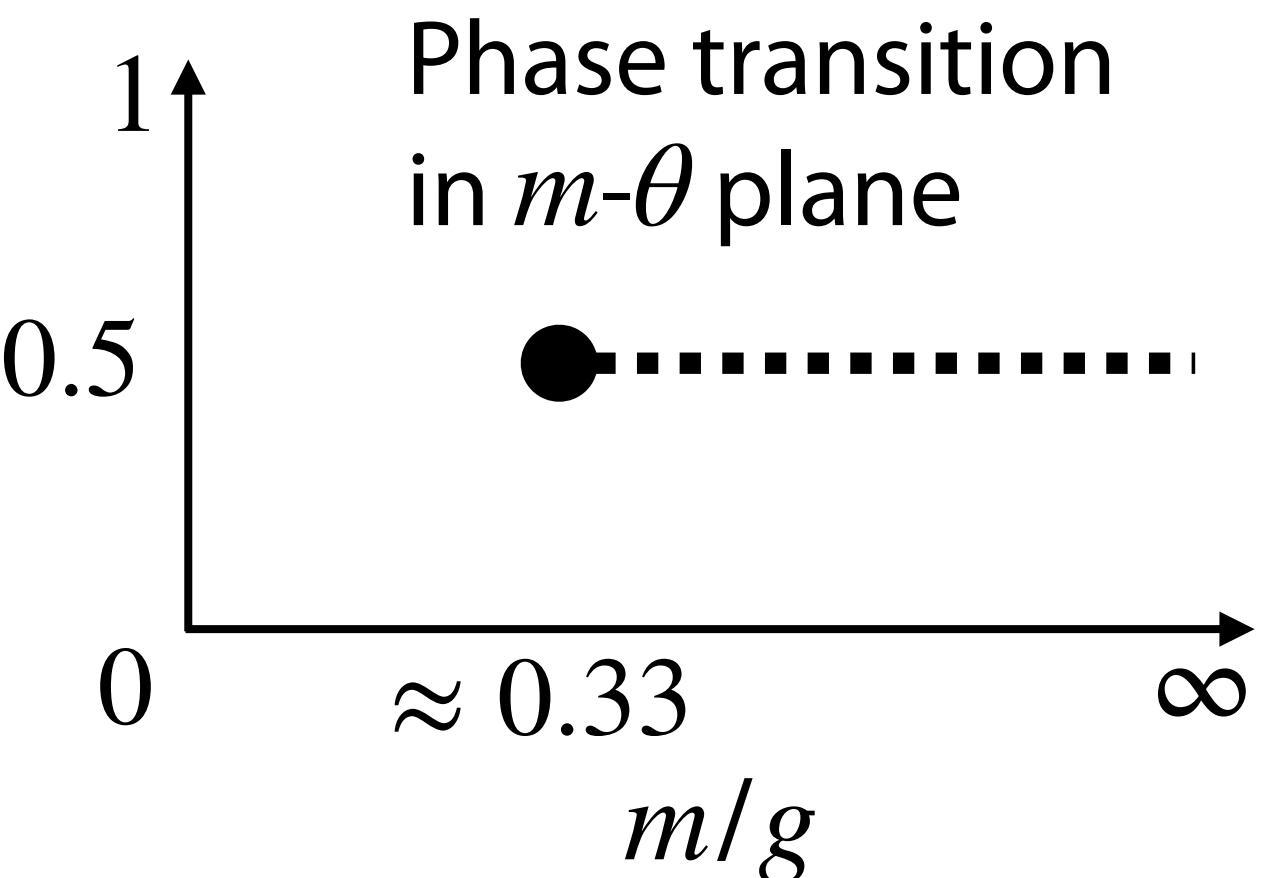
Possible to determine of classical parameters that control a physical system  
(e.g, Hamiltonian parameters)?

# QML Application to Quantum Data (I)

## $(1+1)d U(1)$ Gauge Theory (Schwinger Model)

$$H = J \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-2} \left( \sum_{k=0}^j \frac{Z_k + (-1)^k}{2} + \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \right)^2 + \frac{\omega}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-2} (X_j X_{j+1} + Y_j Y_{j+1}) + \frac{m}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-2} (-1)^j Z_j$$

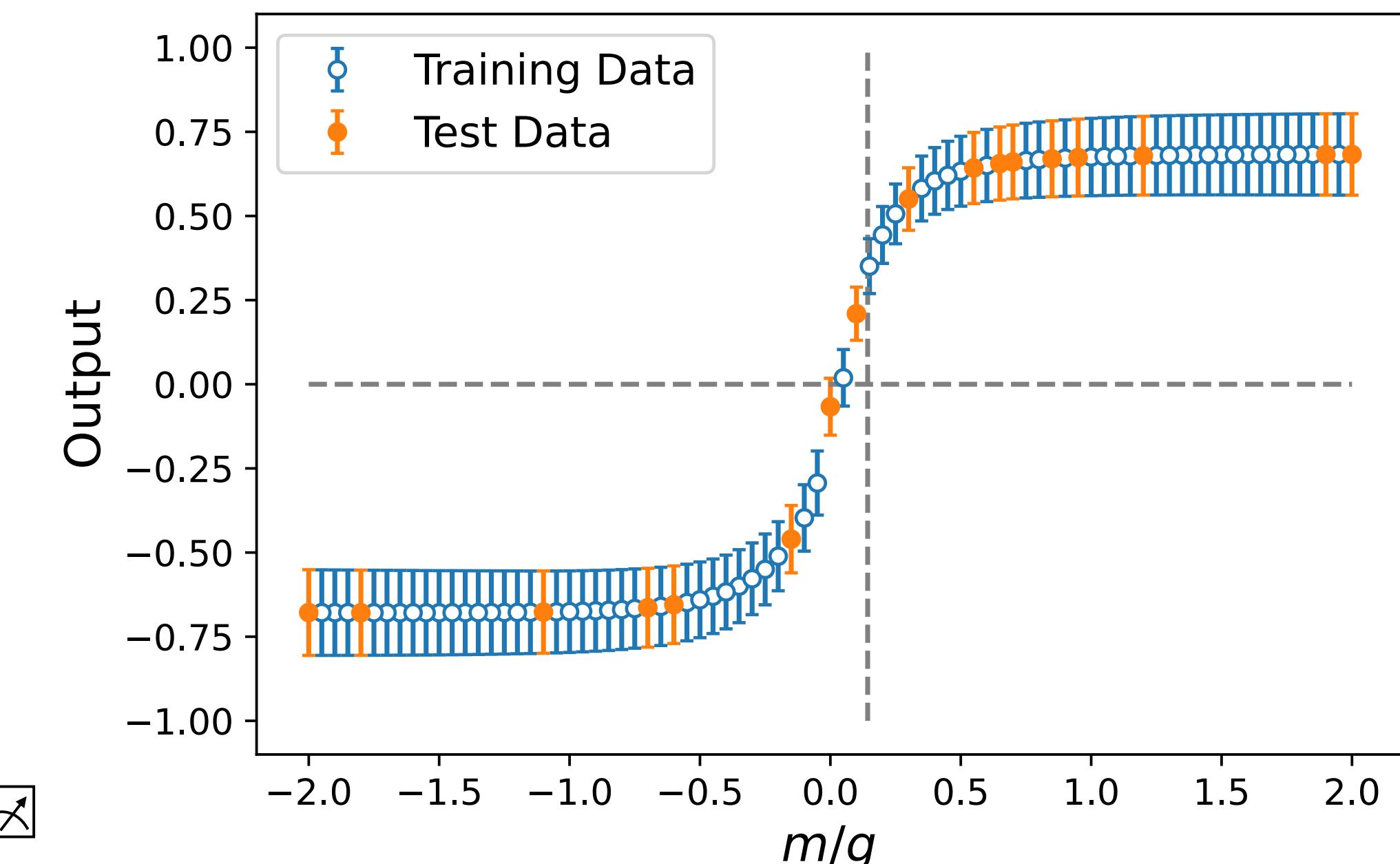
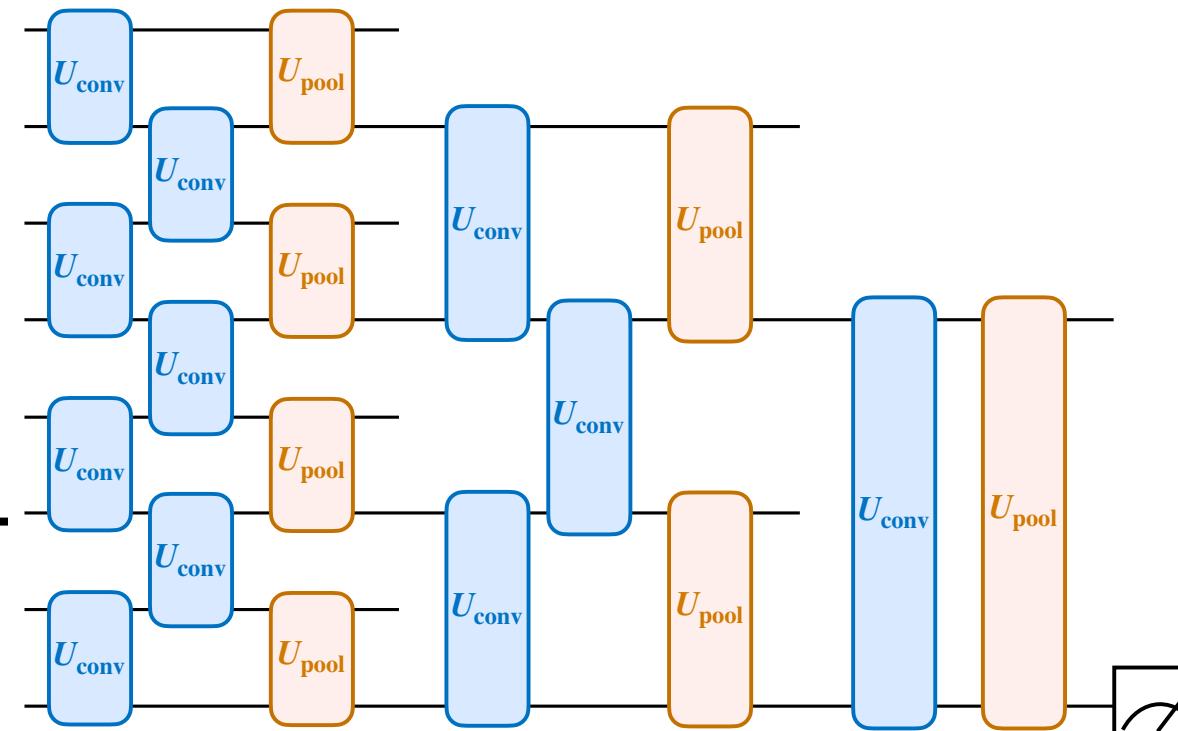
- Non-trivial properties such as chiral condensate, though the model is simple
- Phase transition at  $\theta = \pi, m/g = m_c/g \approx 0.33$  due to **topological term**



### Quantum data generation and classification

- Physical parameters:  $N = N_s = 8, ag = 2, \theta = \pi$
- Generate ground states  $|\psi_{GS}(m)\rangle$  using VQE within parameter range of  $m/g \in [-2, 2]$
- Phase recognition as a classification with label:

$$y_m = \begin{cases} +1 & (m > m_c) \\ -1 & (m < m_c) \end{cases}$$



# QML Application to Quantum Data (II)

## $(1+1)d \mathbb{Z}_2$ Gauge Theory

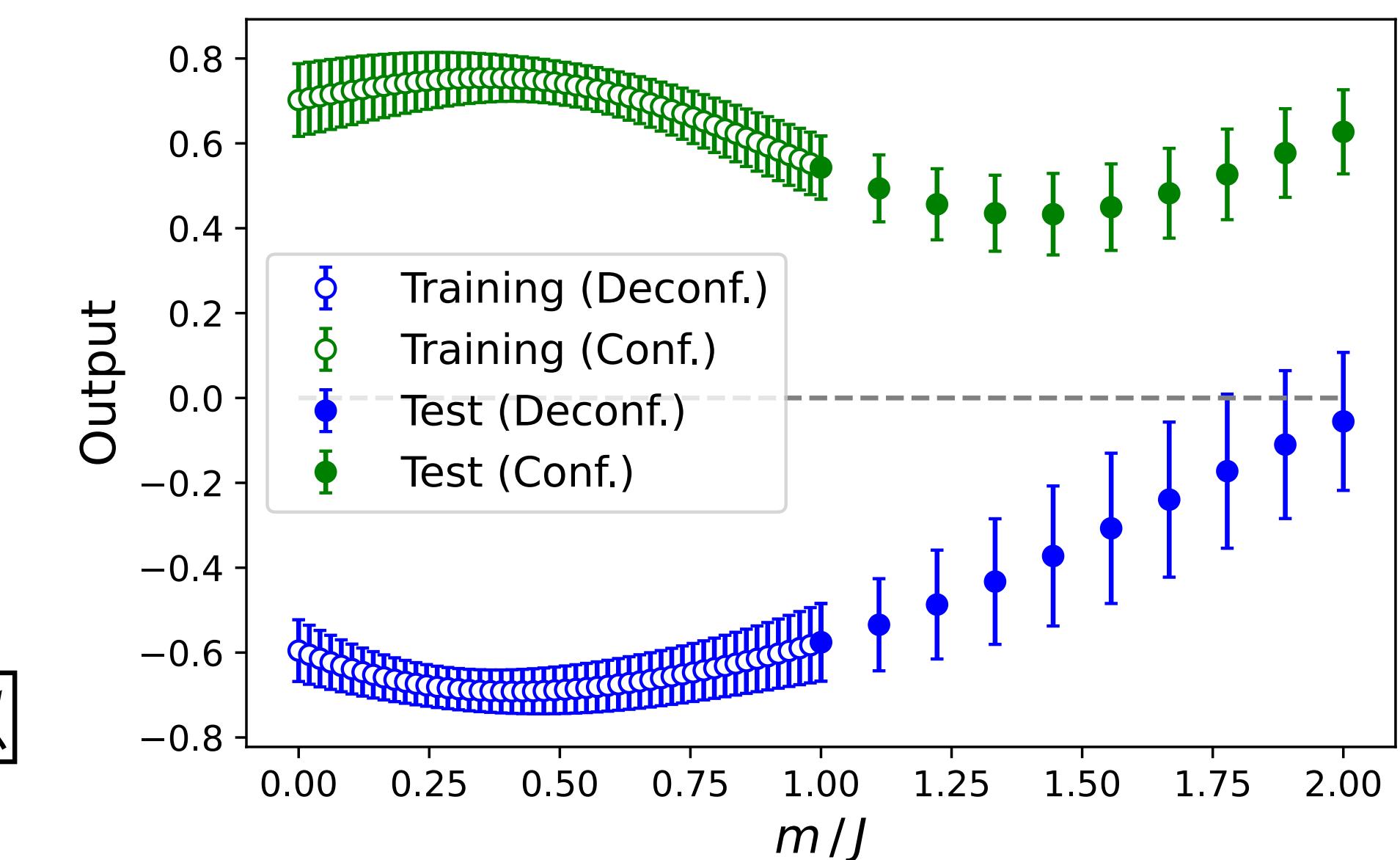
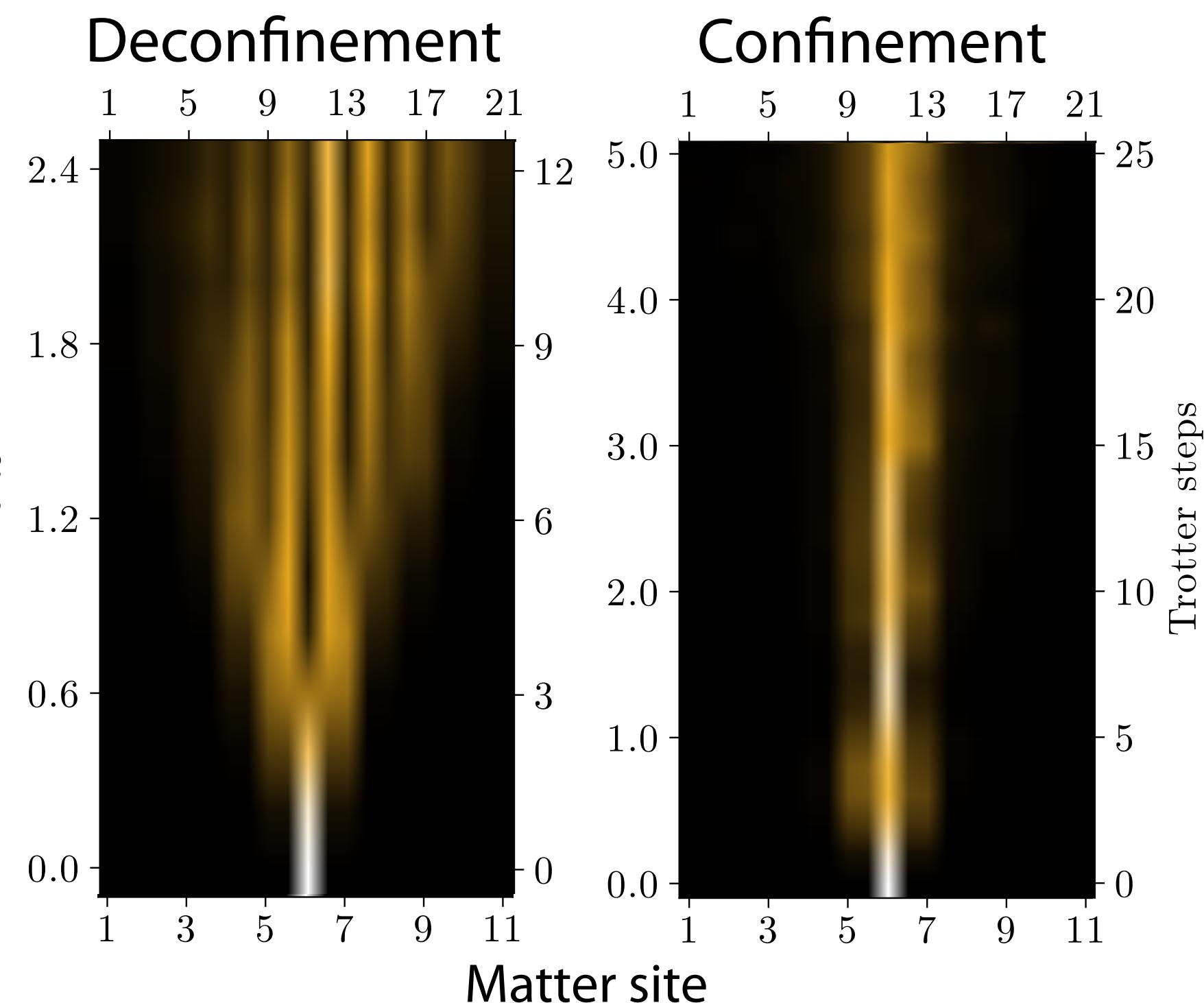
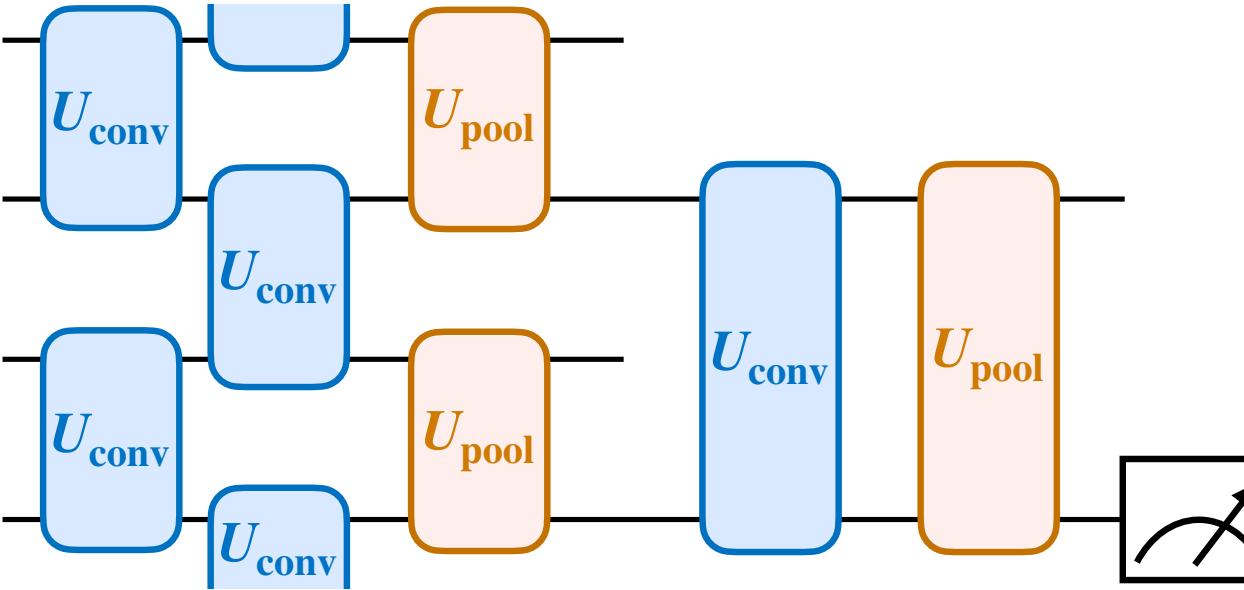
$$H = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-1} (X_j Z_{j,j+1} X_{j+1} + Y_j Z_{j,j+1} Y_{j+1}) - f \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-2} X_{j,j+1} + \frac{m}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-1} (-1)^j Z_j$$

- Confinement ( $f \neq 0$ ) and Deconfinement ( $f = 0$ ) phases depending on the presence of **background electric field**

### Quantum data generation and classification

- Physical parameters:  $N = 2N_s = 4, J = 1, T = 2$
- Generate time-evolved states  $|\psi(m, f)\rangle = e^{-iH(m, f)T} |\psi_0\rangle$  using Suzuki-Trotter decomposition within  $m \in [0, 2], f \in \{0, 3\}$
- Phase recognition as a classification with label:

$$y_m = \begin{cases} +1 & (f \neq 0) \\ -1 & (f = 0) \end{cases}$$



# QML Application to Quantum Data (III)

## Parton Shower

$$L_{\text{PS}} = \bar{f}_1(i\partial + m_1)f_1 + \bar{f}_2(i\partial + m_2)f_2 + (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + g_1 \bar{f}_1 f_1 \phi + g_2 \bar{f}_2 f_2 \phi + g_{12} [\bar{f}_1 f_2 + \bar{f}_2 f_1] \phi$$

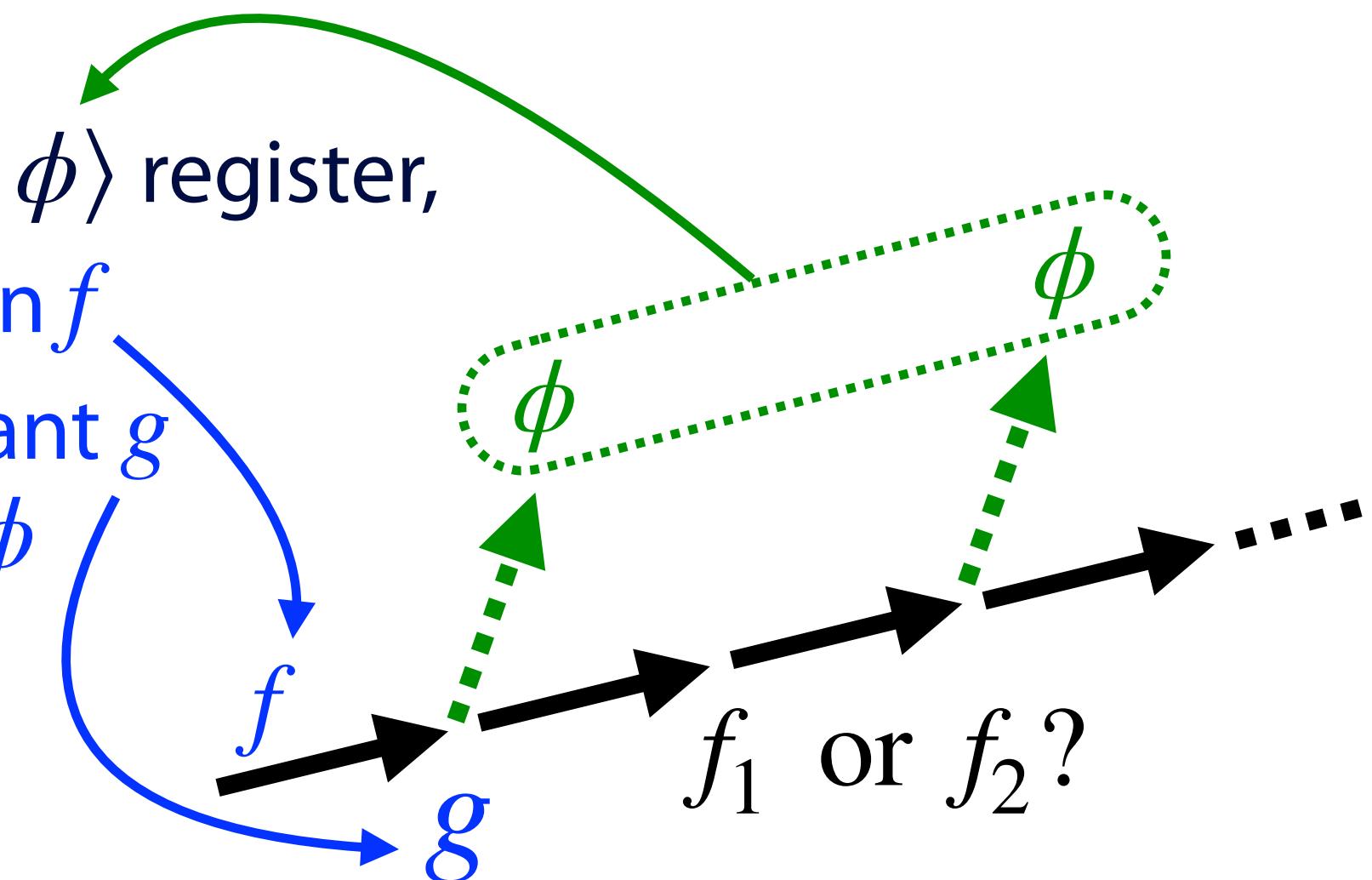
- ▶ Interference between unobserved intermediate states due to  $g_{12} (\neq 0)$  term

B. Nachman et al., [Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 062001 \(2021\)](#)

From the states in  $|\phi\rangle$  register,

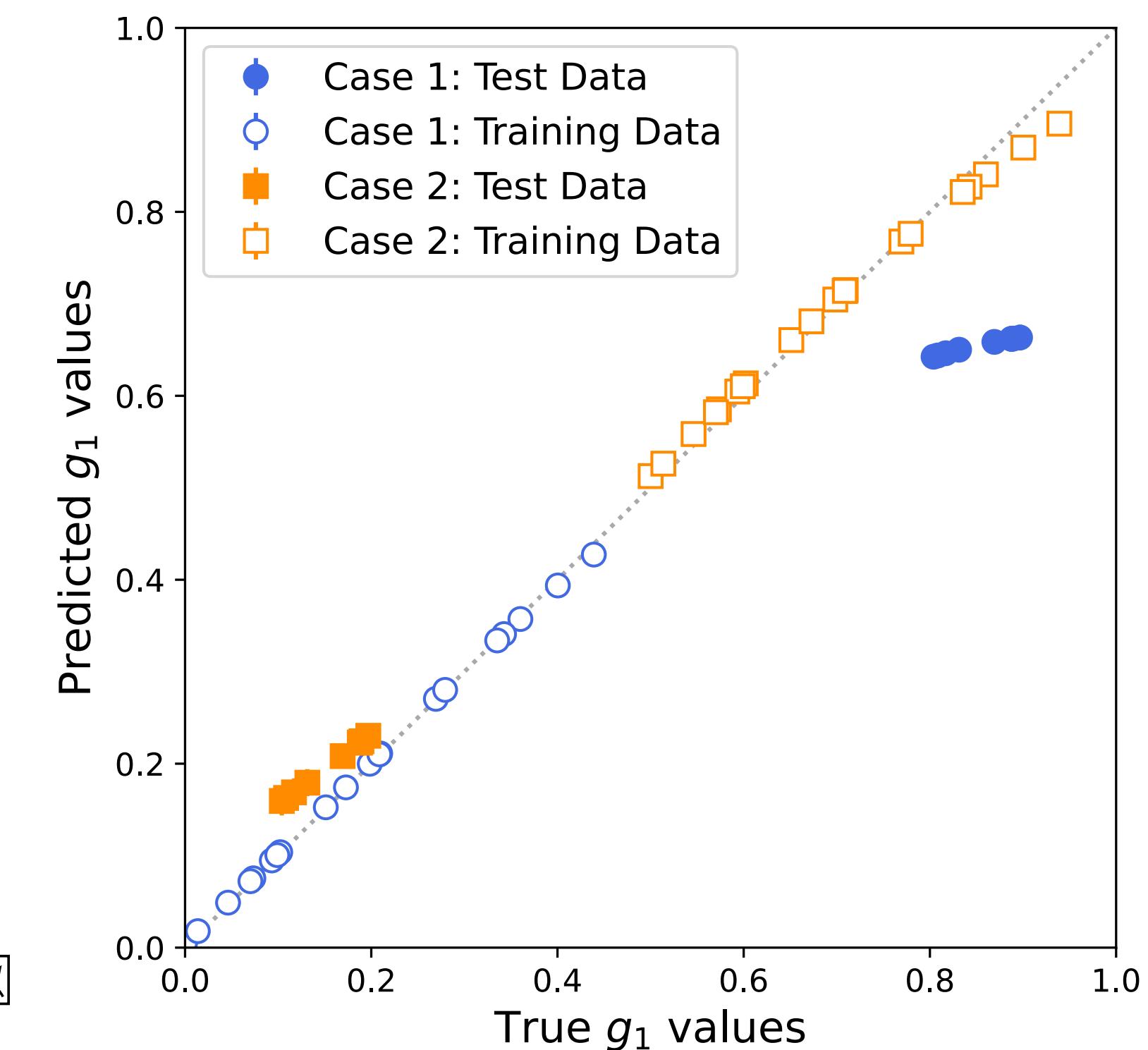
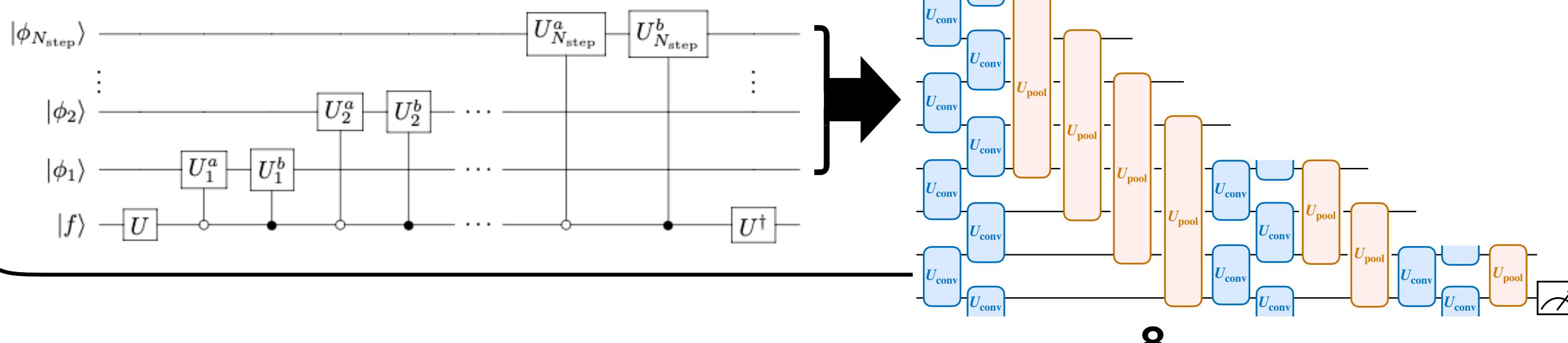
- ▶ Flavor of fermion  $f$
- ▶ Coupling constant  $g$  between  $f$  and  $\phi$

are extracted



## Quantum data generation and classification

- ▶ Number of emission steps  $N_{\text{step}} = 8$
- ▶ Generate various states with different flavors of input particle  $f$  or coupling constant  $g$
- ▶ Flavor classification or regression of  $g$  values



# Exercise of QML on Quantum Data

Consider a problem:

- ▶ Prepare a dataset of ground states for the transverse-field Ising model with different transverse-field strengths  $h$
- ▶ Train a QNN model to learn the  $h$  values in the dataset

VQE

Prepare the ground states  $|\psi(\text{GS})\rangle = U(\theta) |0\rangle$  of Ising model with VQE ansatz:

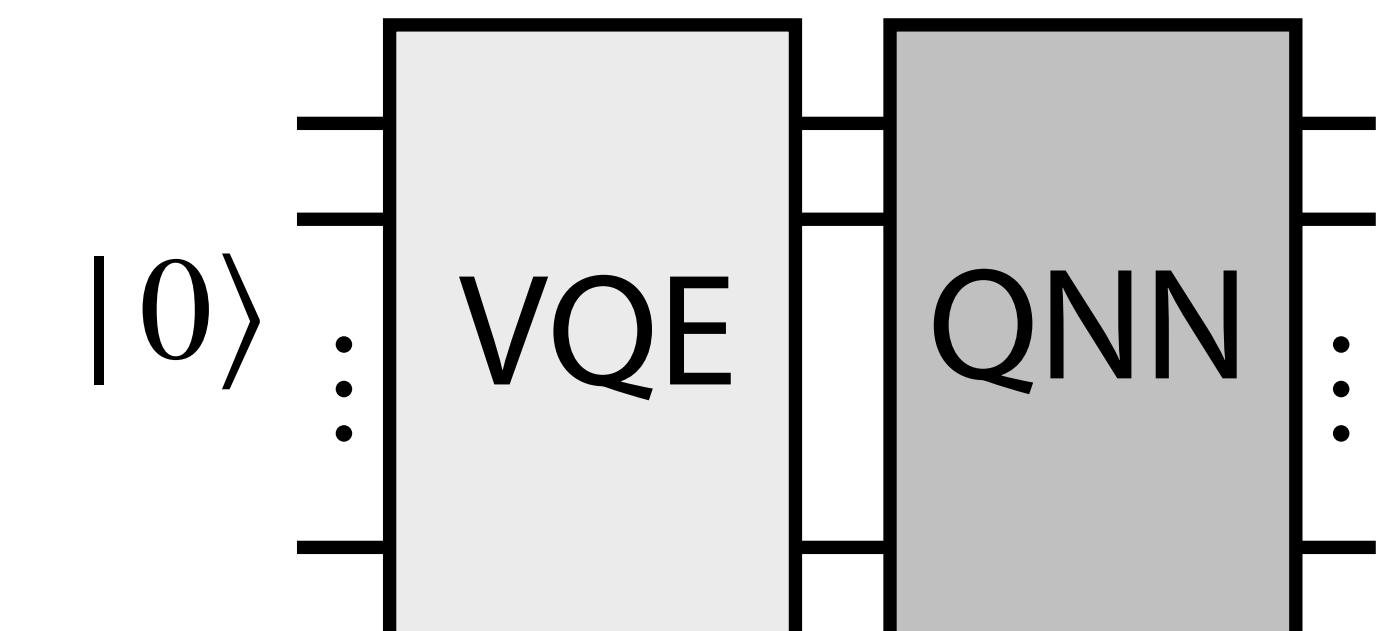
$$U(\{\theta_j^l\}) = \prod_{l=1}^d \left( \left( \prod_{j=1}^n R_j^Y(\theta_j^l) \right) \cdot U_{\text{ent}} \right) \cdot \prod_{j=1}^n R_j^Y(\theta_j^0)$$

$$U_{\text{ent}} = \prod_{j=1}^n C_{j \% n + 1}^j [Z]$$

QNN

Learn the  $h$  value in the dataset

- VQE circuit fixed with optimized parameters
- QNN circuit similar to that used in VQE
- Mean squared error as a cost function
- SLSQP optimizer

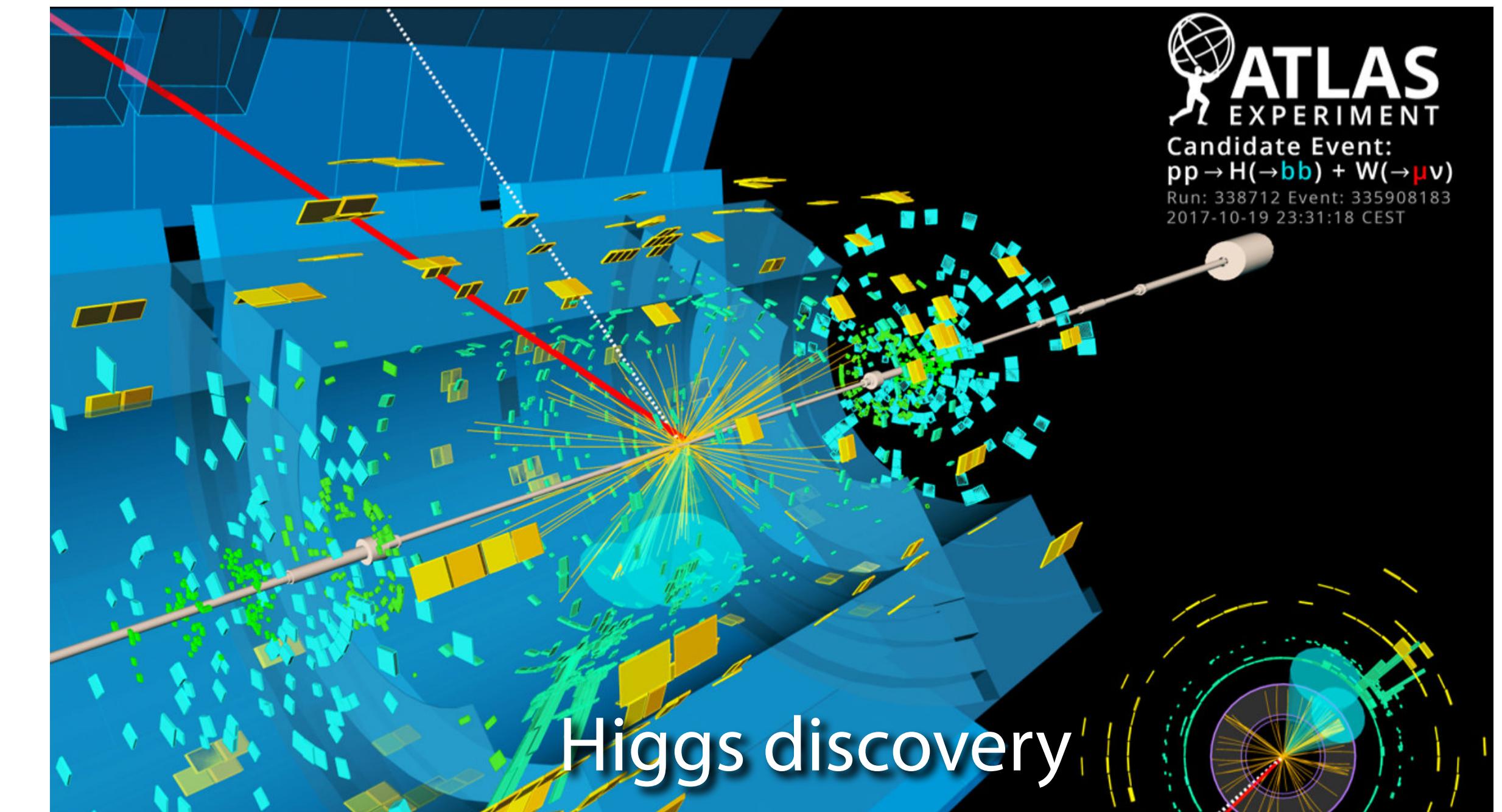
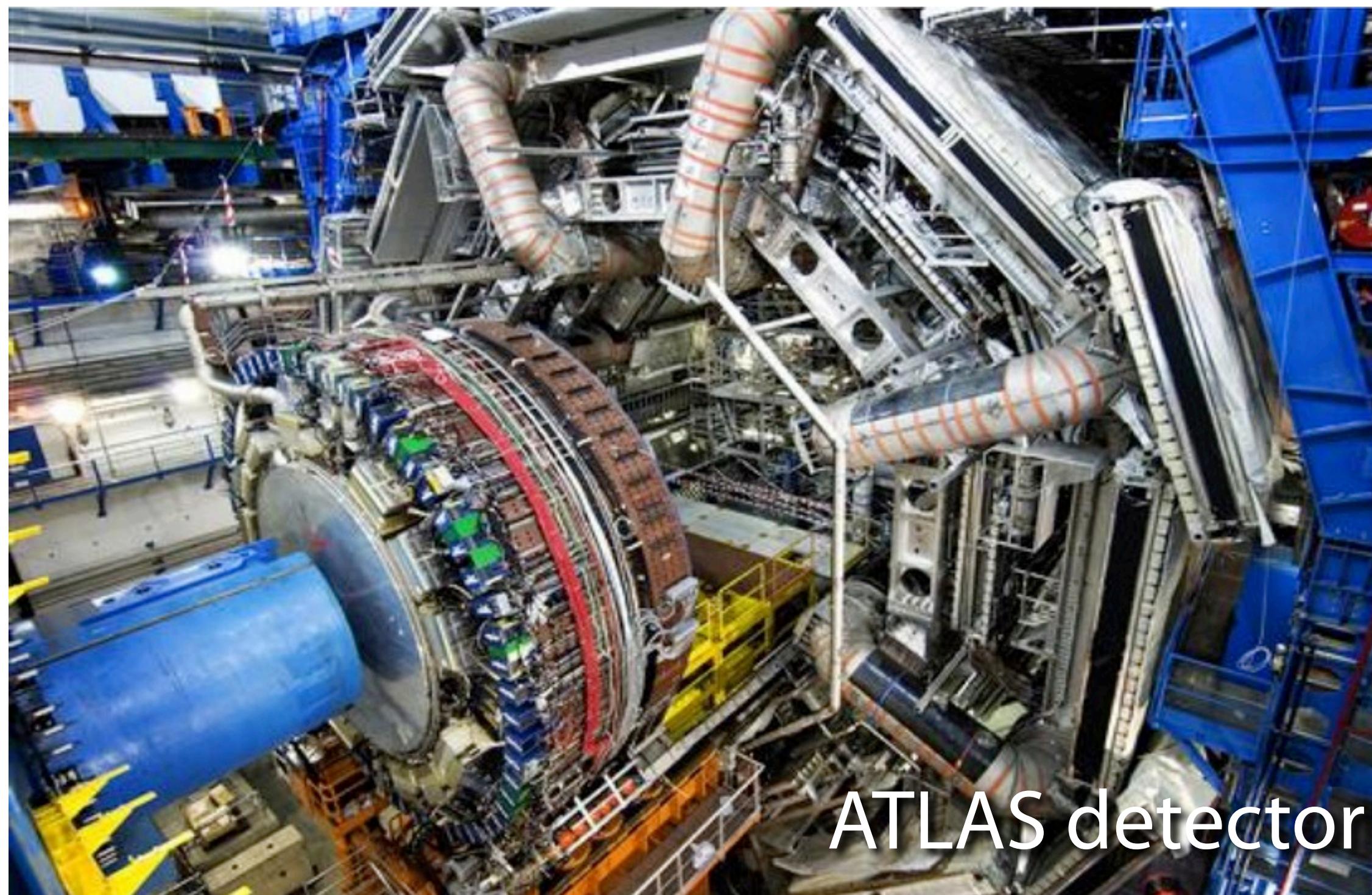


# Hands-on Exercise (II)

- ▶ Quantum Machine Learning :
  - Determination of Hamiltonian parameter with quantum data

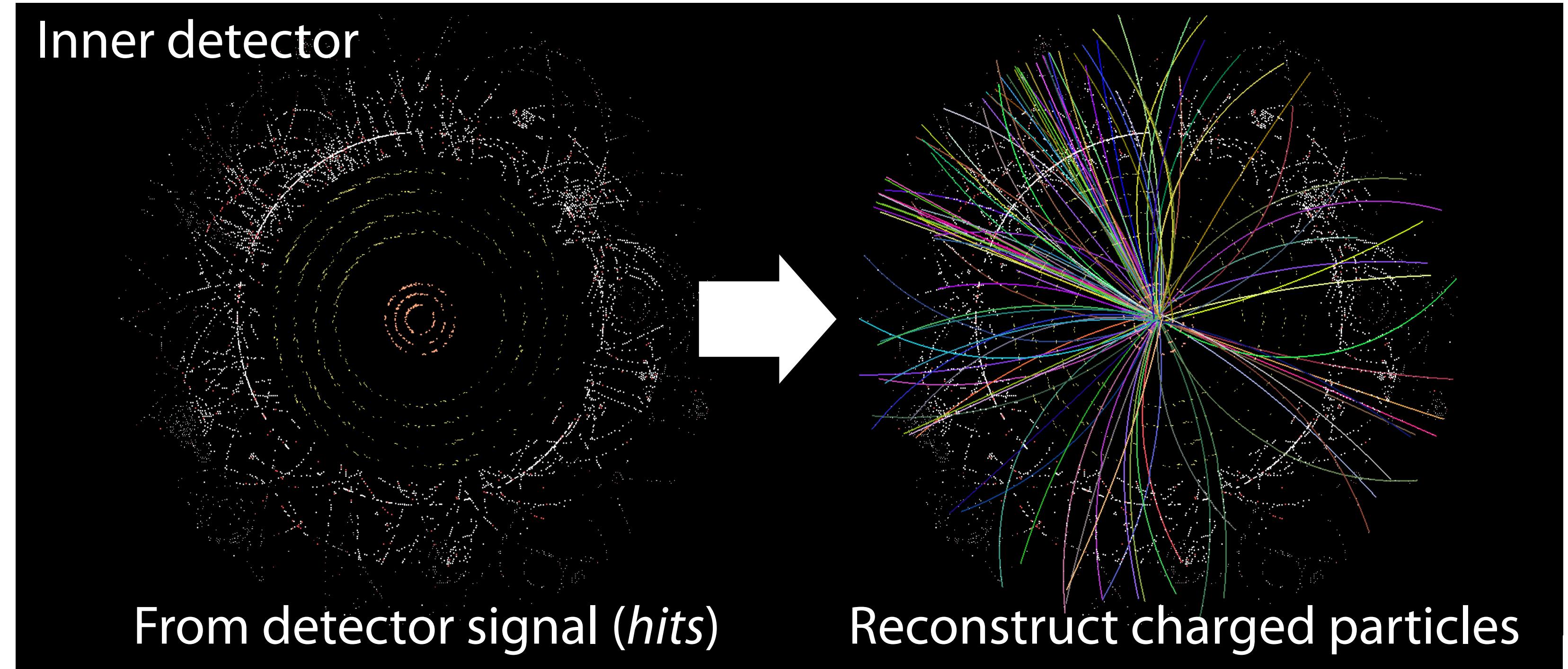
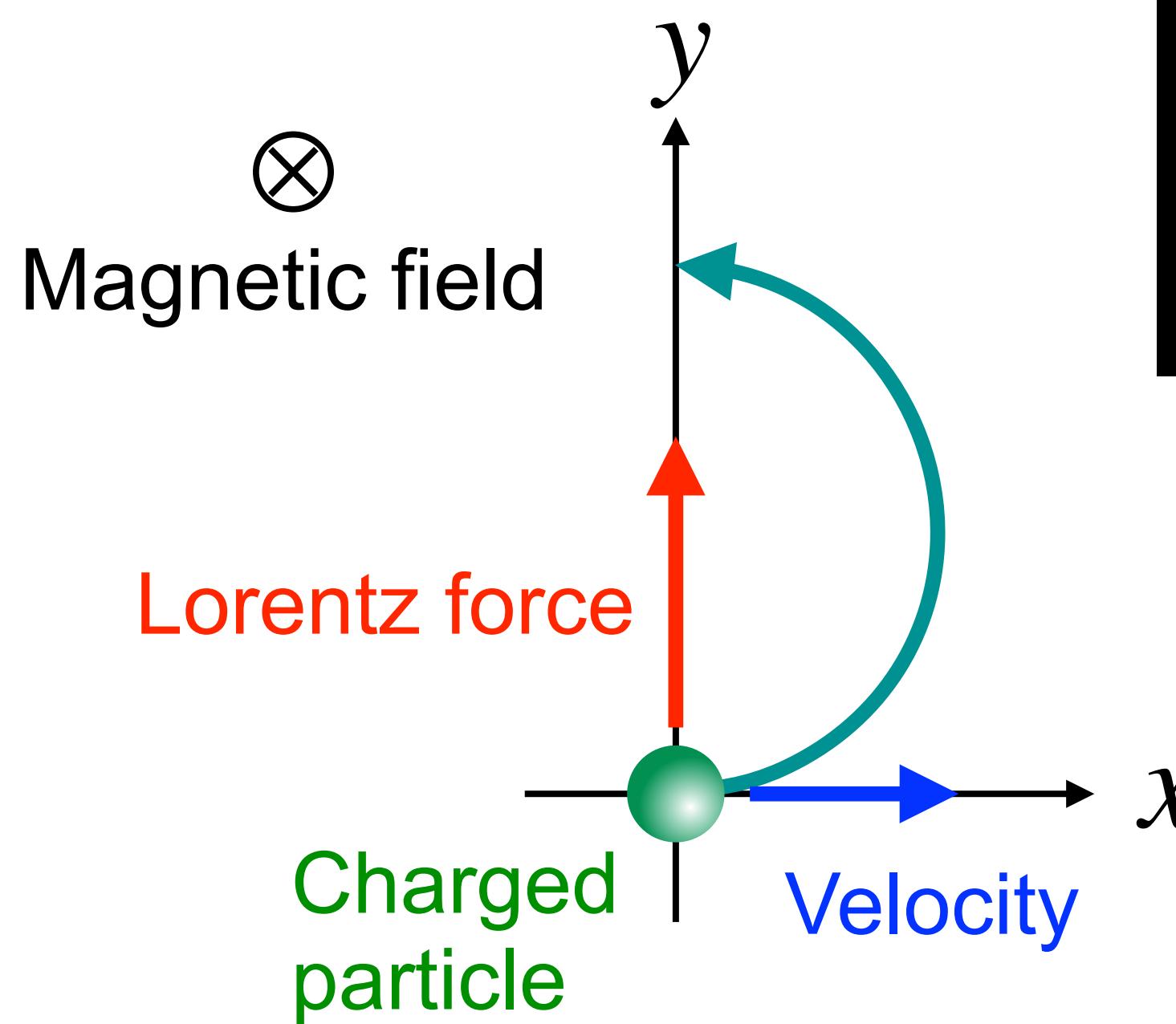
# High-Energy Physics Experiment

- Particle collisions produced in high-energy accelerator
- Measure produced particles by precision detectors to study fundamental properties of particles and interaction mechanism
- Hadron colliders (e.g, LHC at CERN) primarily target new physics search beyond the Standard Model



# High-Energy Physics Experiment

Reconstruct produced particles from detector signal and measure their energy and momenta as a first step

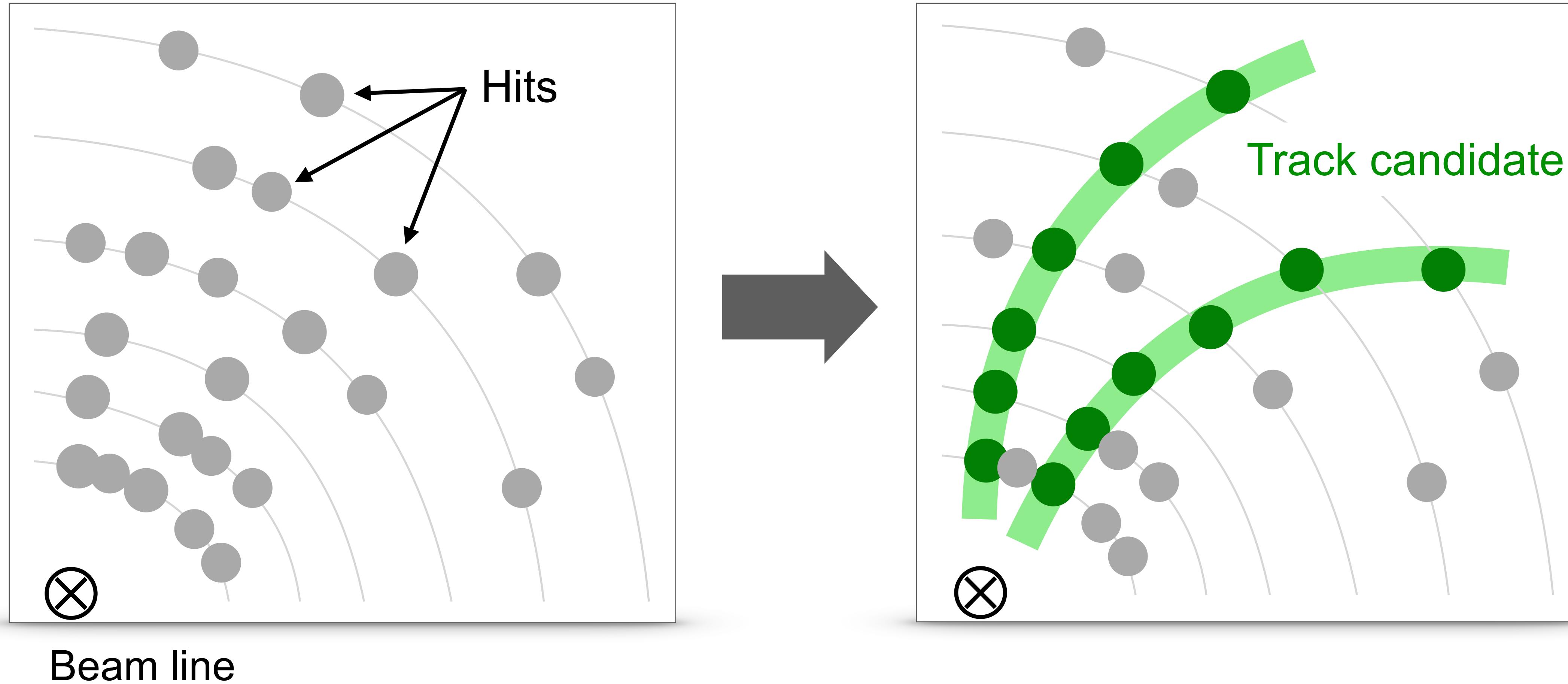


Find particle trajectory that matches the sequence  
of hits with a constant curvature

→ **Tracking**

# Charged Particle Tracking

Projected detector hits onto a plane perpendicular to the beam line



Check combinations of detector hits *in parallel* and choose correct ones based on expected pattern  
→ Possible to use quantum computing technique!

# Exercise of Charged Particle Tracking

Consider a problem of selecting segments that constitute the same track

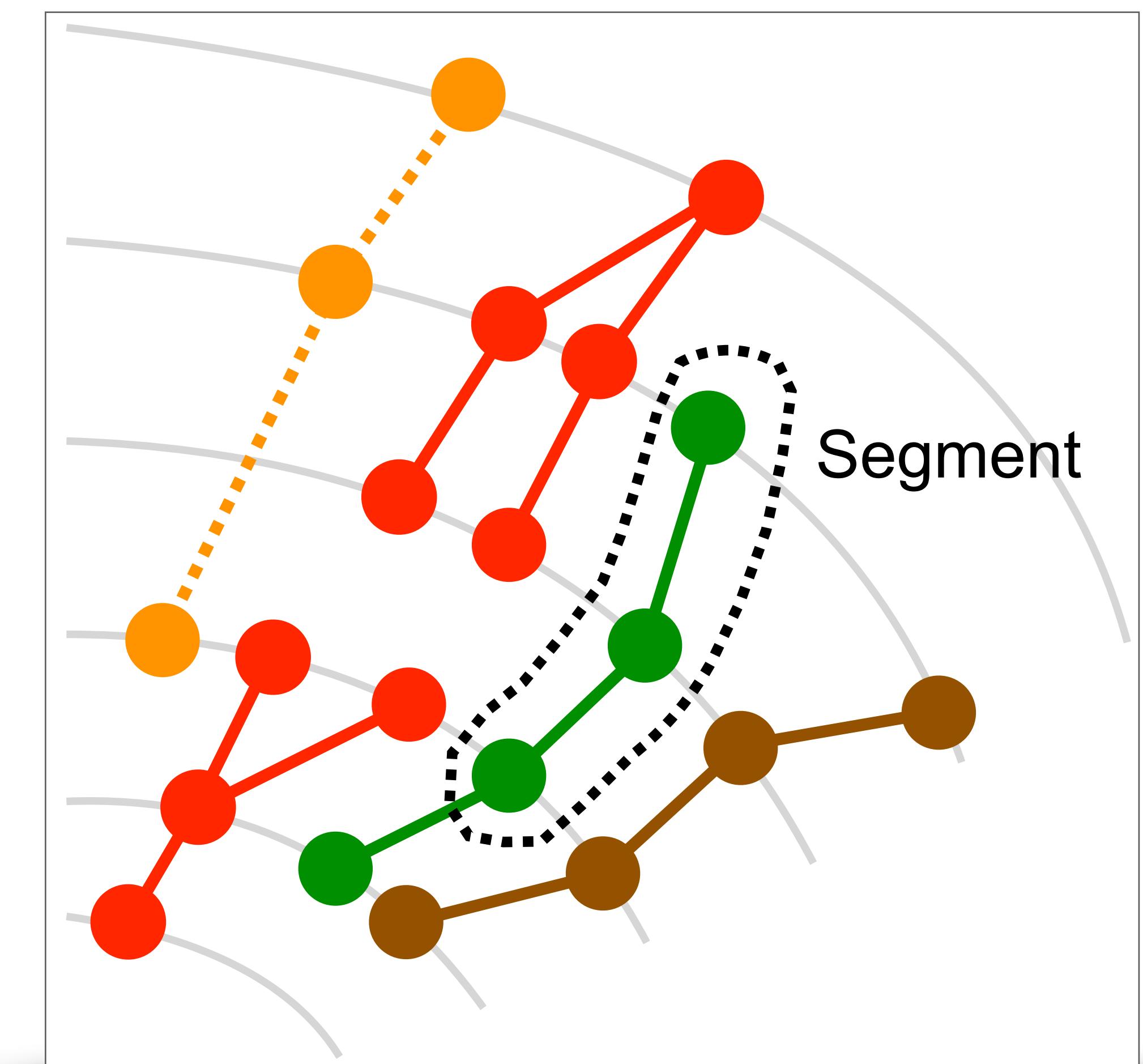
## Preprocessing

- ▶ Form “*segments*” (= set of 3-consecutive layer hits) from detector hits using classical computer
- ▶ Calculate curvature in  $(x, y)$  plane,  $(r, z)$  angle, impact parameter, etc.
- ▶ Determine *weights* for each segment and each pairing of segments

## Weight

- ▶ Largest positive weight (+1) for a **segment pair with shared hits like red ones**
- ▶ Large weight ( $> -1$ ) for a **zigzag pair or a pair with a hole in the middle**
- ▶ Large negative weight ( $\sim -1$ ) for a **segment pair with consistent curvatures and 2 shared hits like green**

*Segment* = 3-consecutive layer hits



# Exercise of Charged Particle Tracking

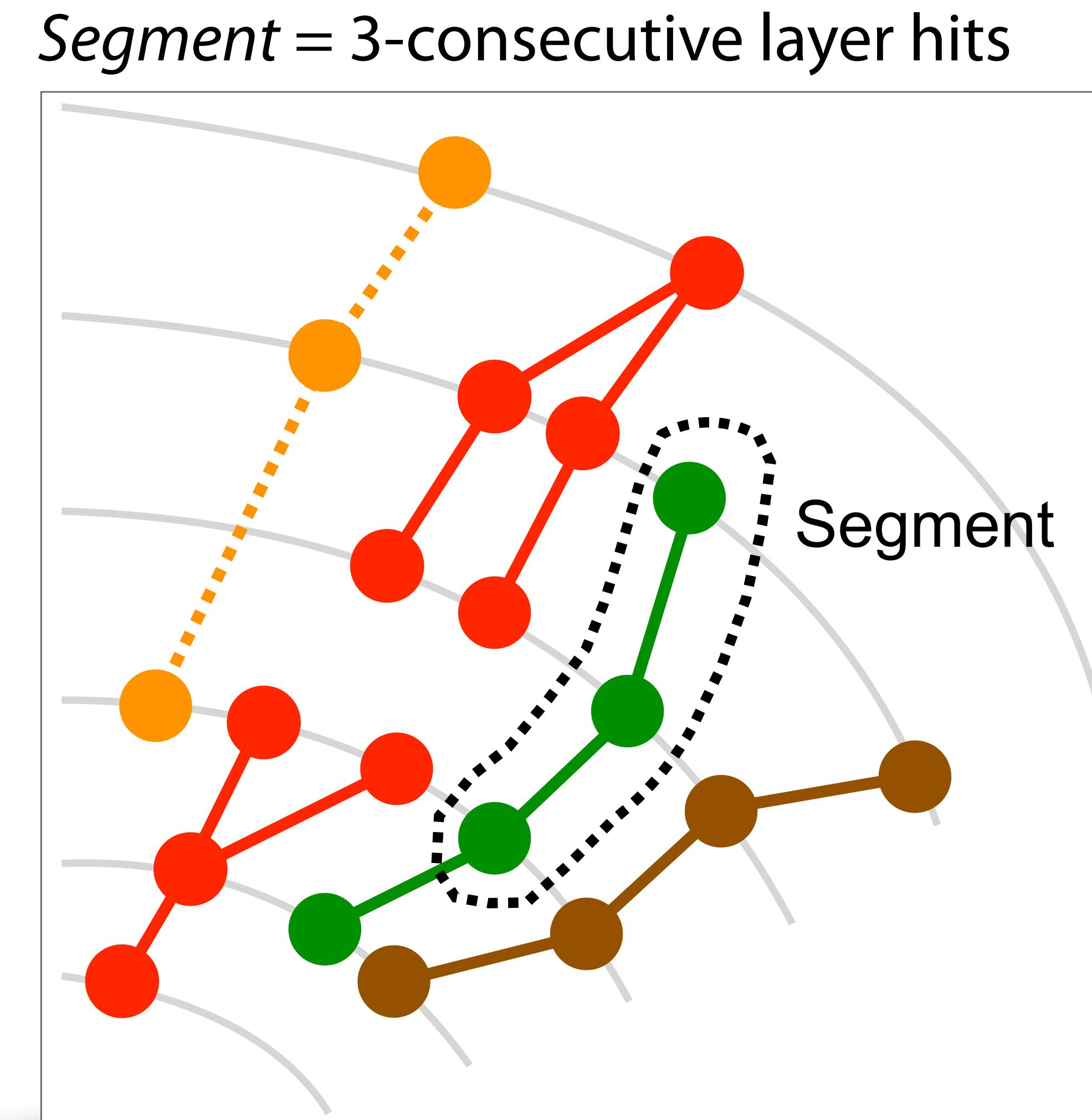
Solve as **Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization (QUBO)** by minimizing

$$O(b, T) = \sum_{i=1}^N b_{ii} T_i + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1, (i < j)}^N b_{ij} T_i T_j$$

$T \in \{0,1\}$

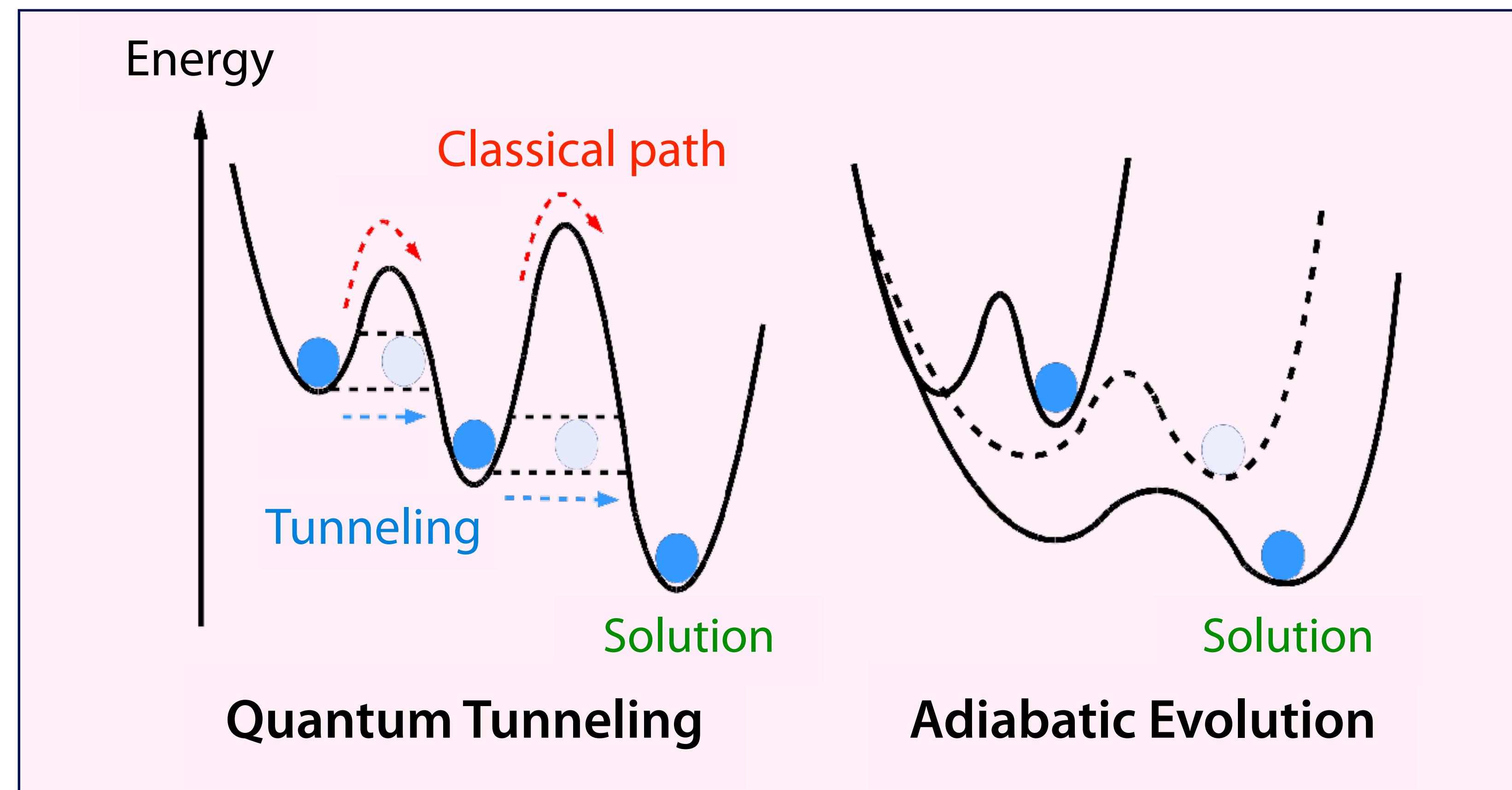
Weight  $b_{ij} = \begin{cases} -S(T_i, T_j) & \text{Green Brown Orange} \\ 1 & \text{Red} \\ 0 & \text{Others} \end{cases}$

$S(T_i, T_j)$  is set within  $[0,1]$  based on relative angles between segments  $T_i$  and  $T_j$   
(closer to 1 as the curvatures get closer)

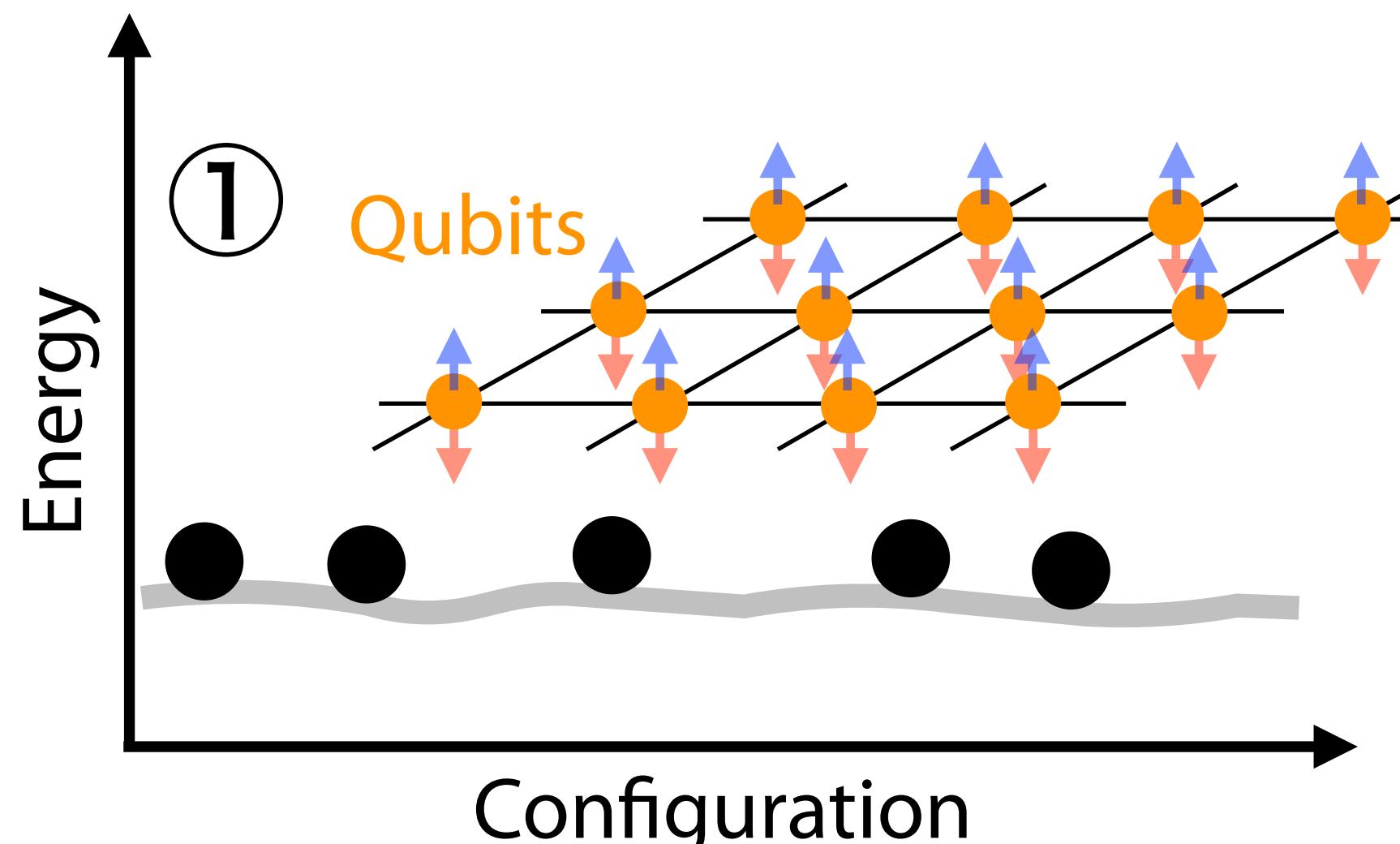


# Quantum Annealing

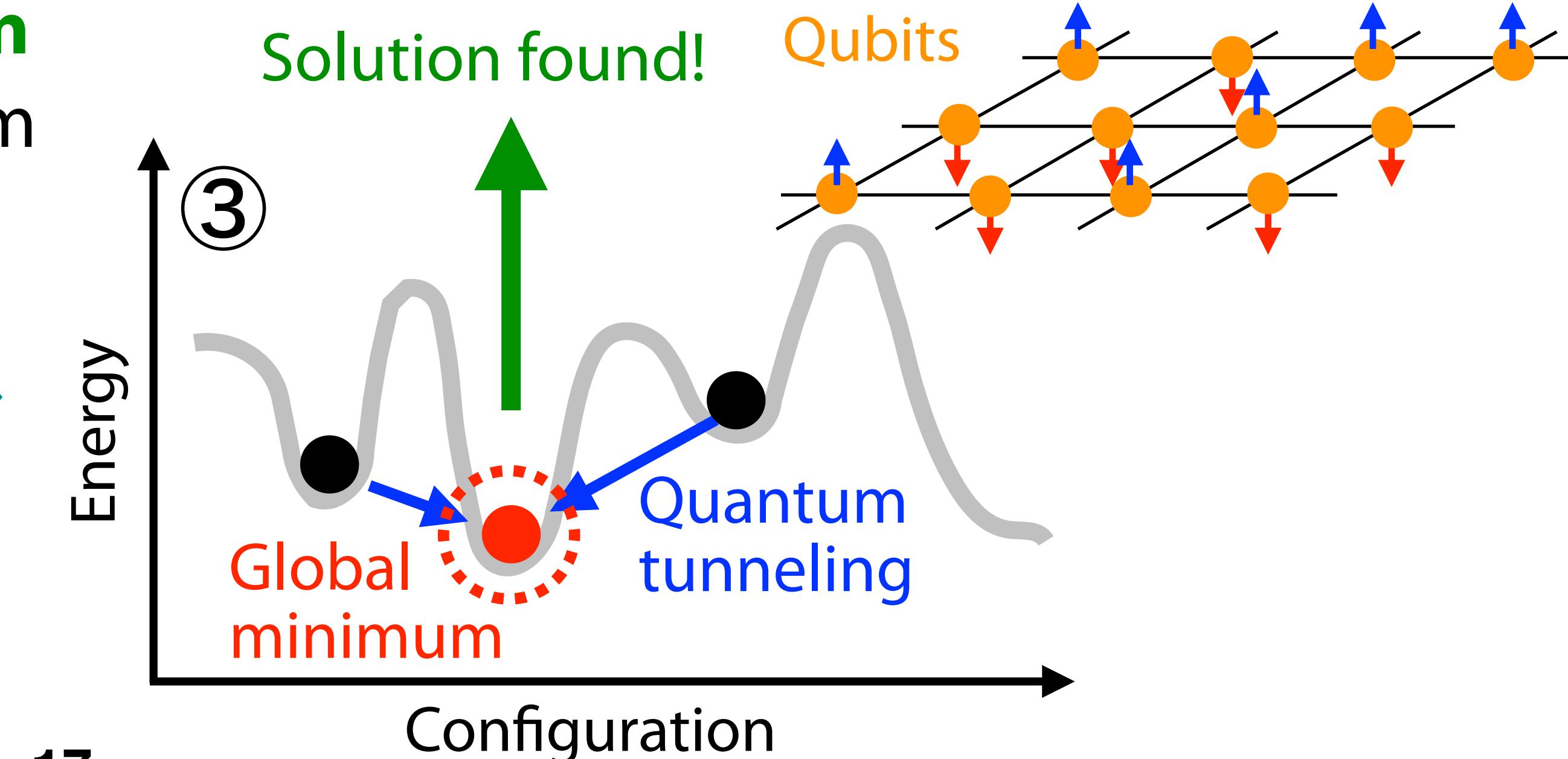
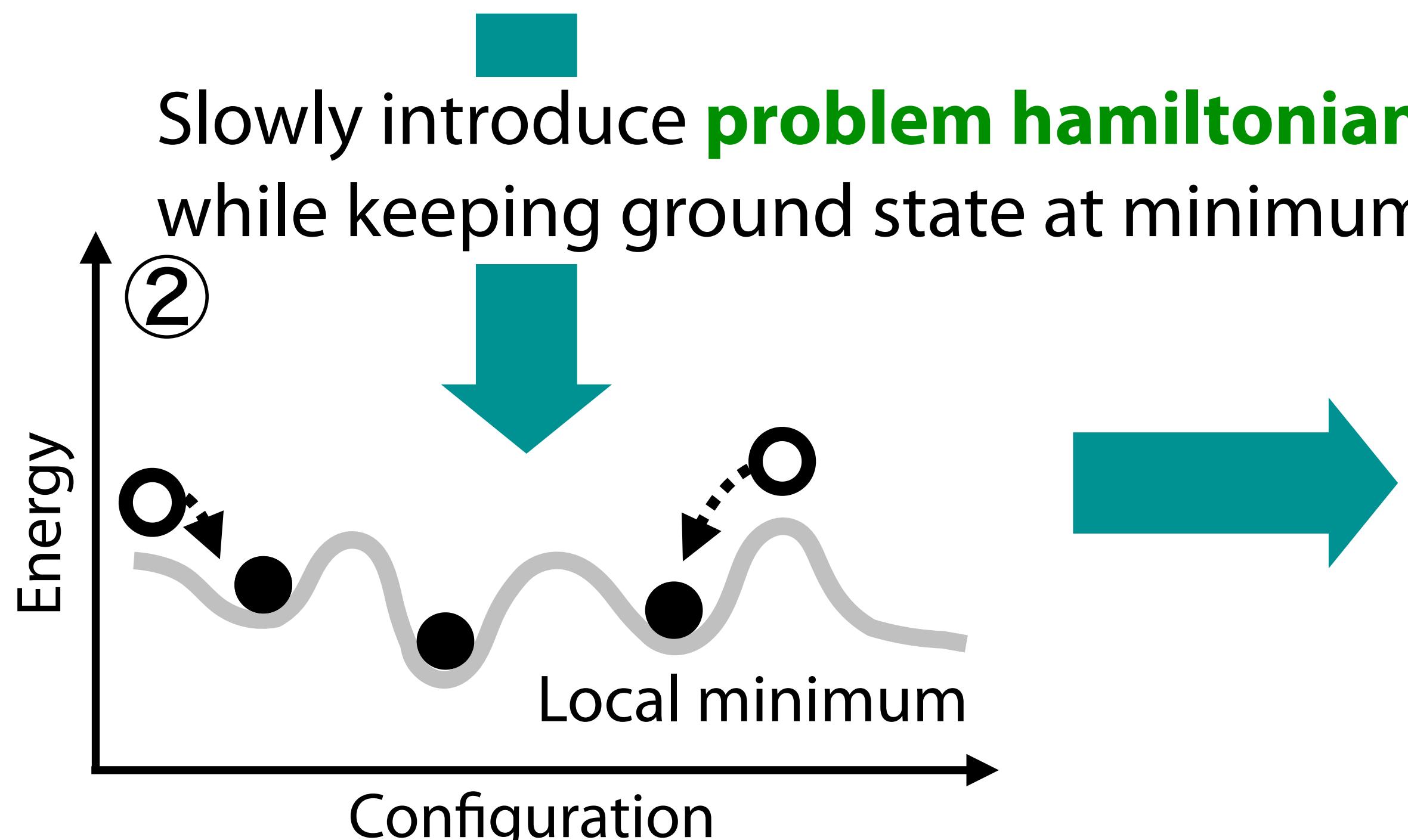
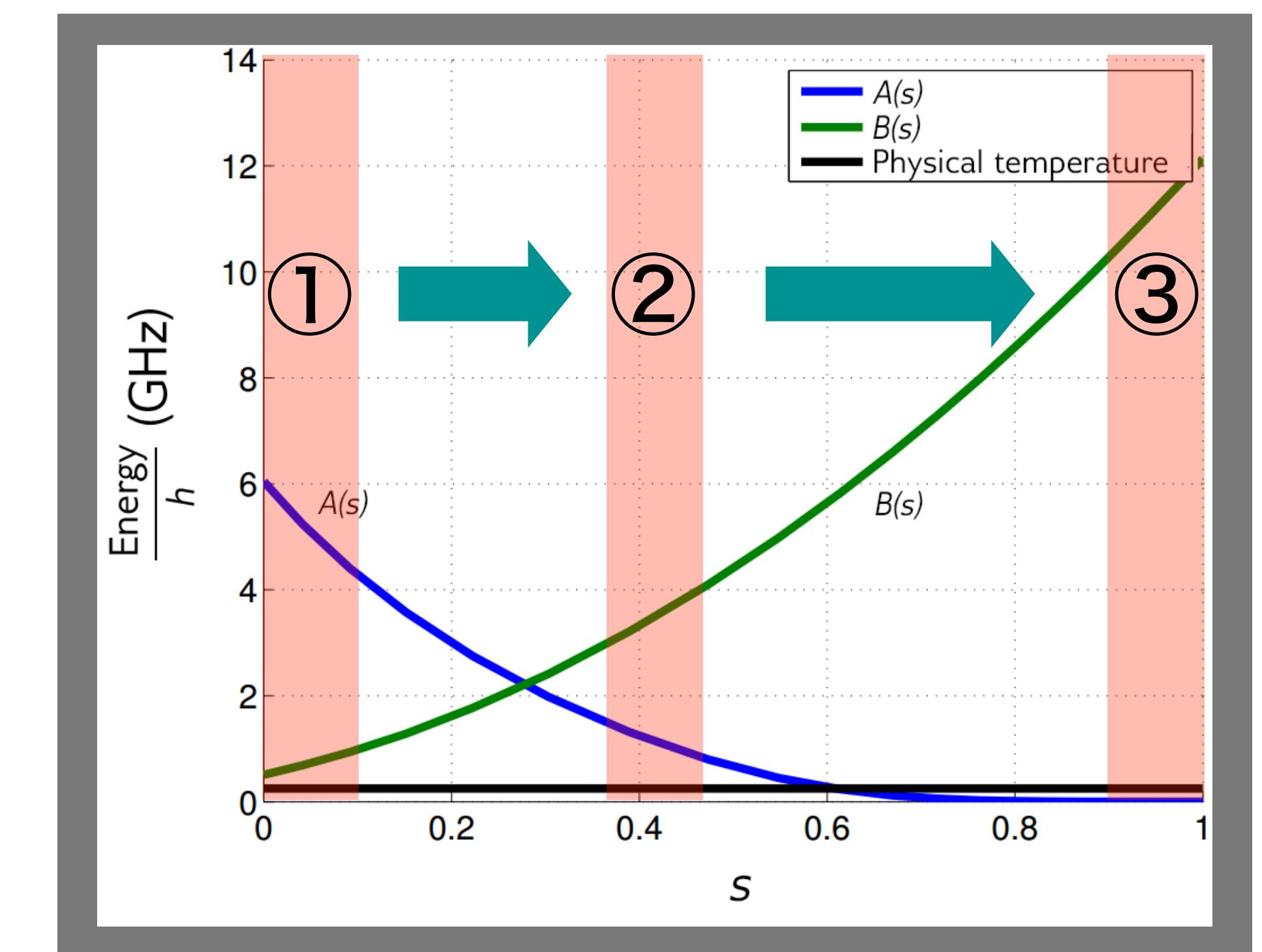
- ▶ Formulate problem such that the solution corresponds to the lowest energy state
- ▶ Extract the solution by slowly (*adiabatically*) introducing problem hamiltonian
- ▶ Suitable for optimization problem



# Quantum Annealing at Work



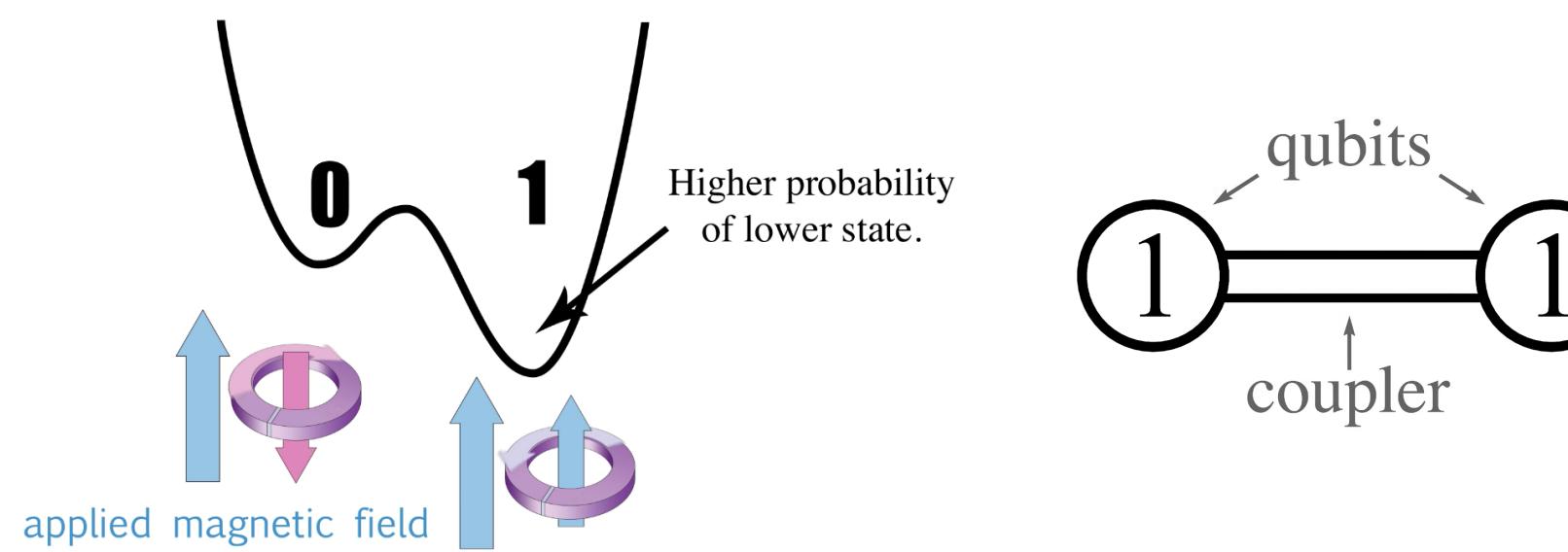
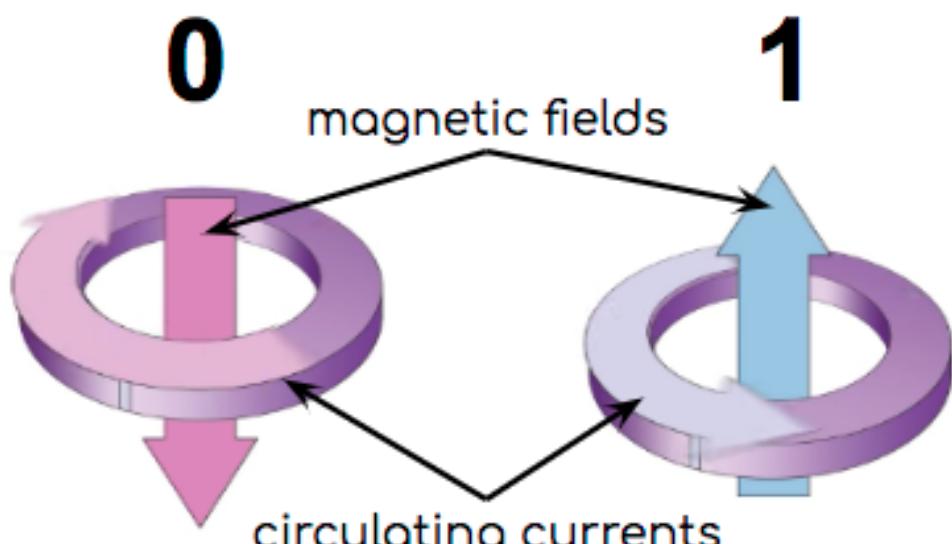
All configurations at ground state for  
**initial hamiltonian**



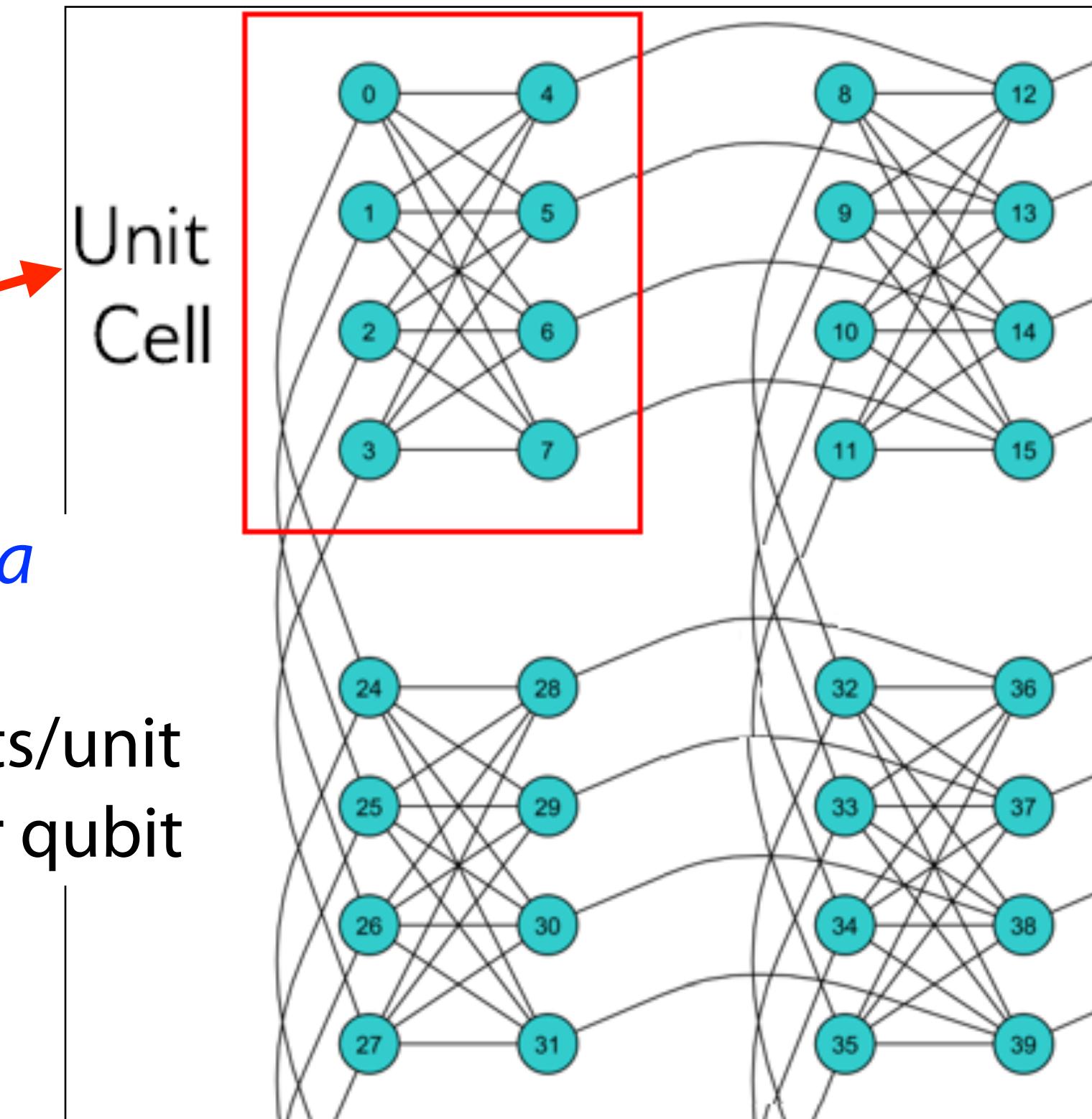
# Quantum Annealing at Work

## D-Wave Quantum Annealer

- ▶ Superconducting qubits ( $T \sim 15$  mK)
- ▶  $>5000$  qubits (D-Wave Advantage)  
**2048 qubits (D-Wave 2000Q) used in studies**
- ▶ Annealing time =  $1 \sim 2000 \mu\text{s}$ , Coherence time  $\sim O(\text{ns})$



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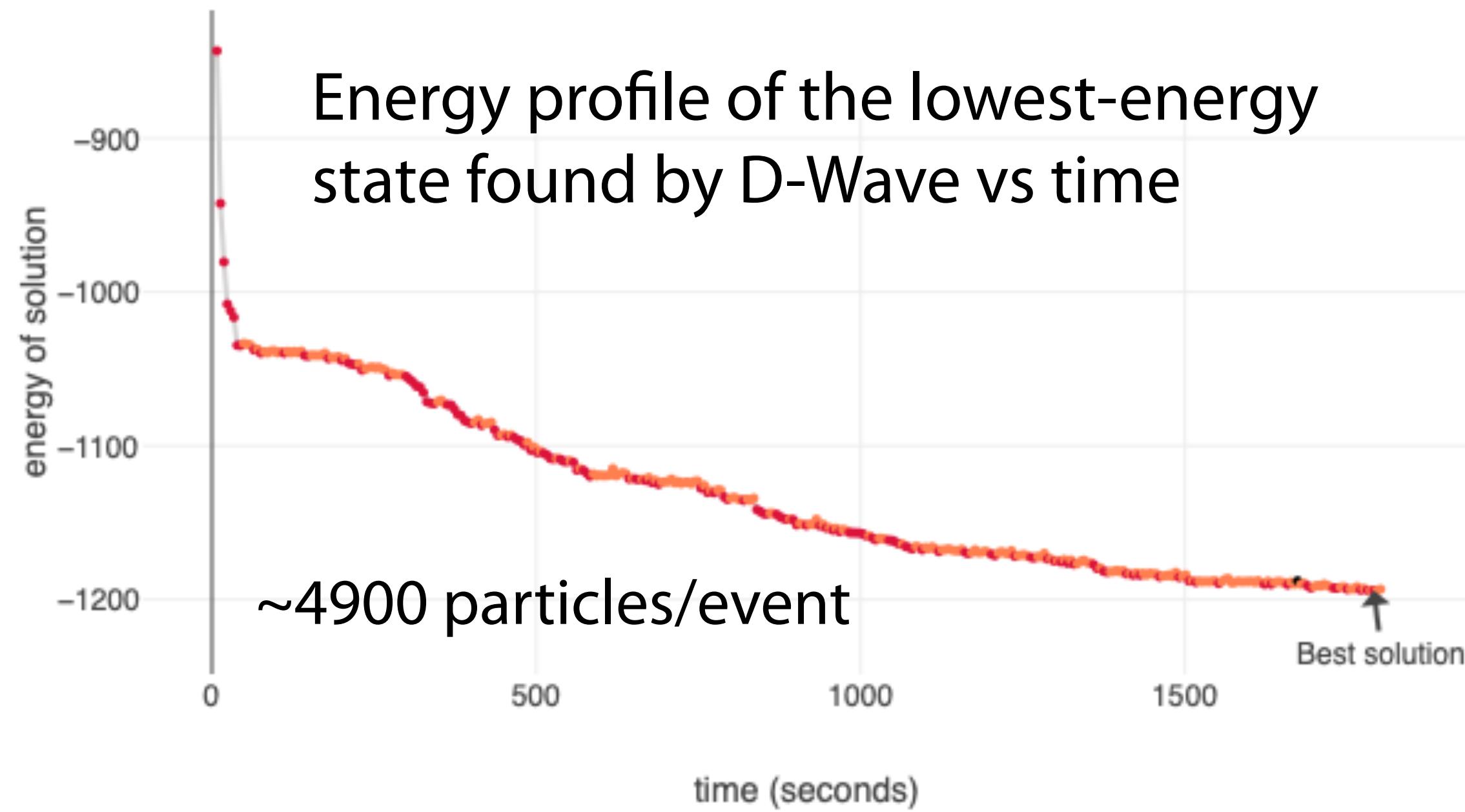
Connection via *Chimera*  
graph for 2000Q:

- $16 \times 16$  units, 8 qubits/unit
- 5-6 connections per qubit

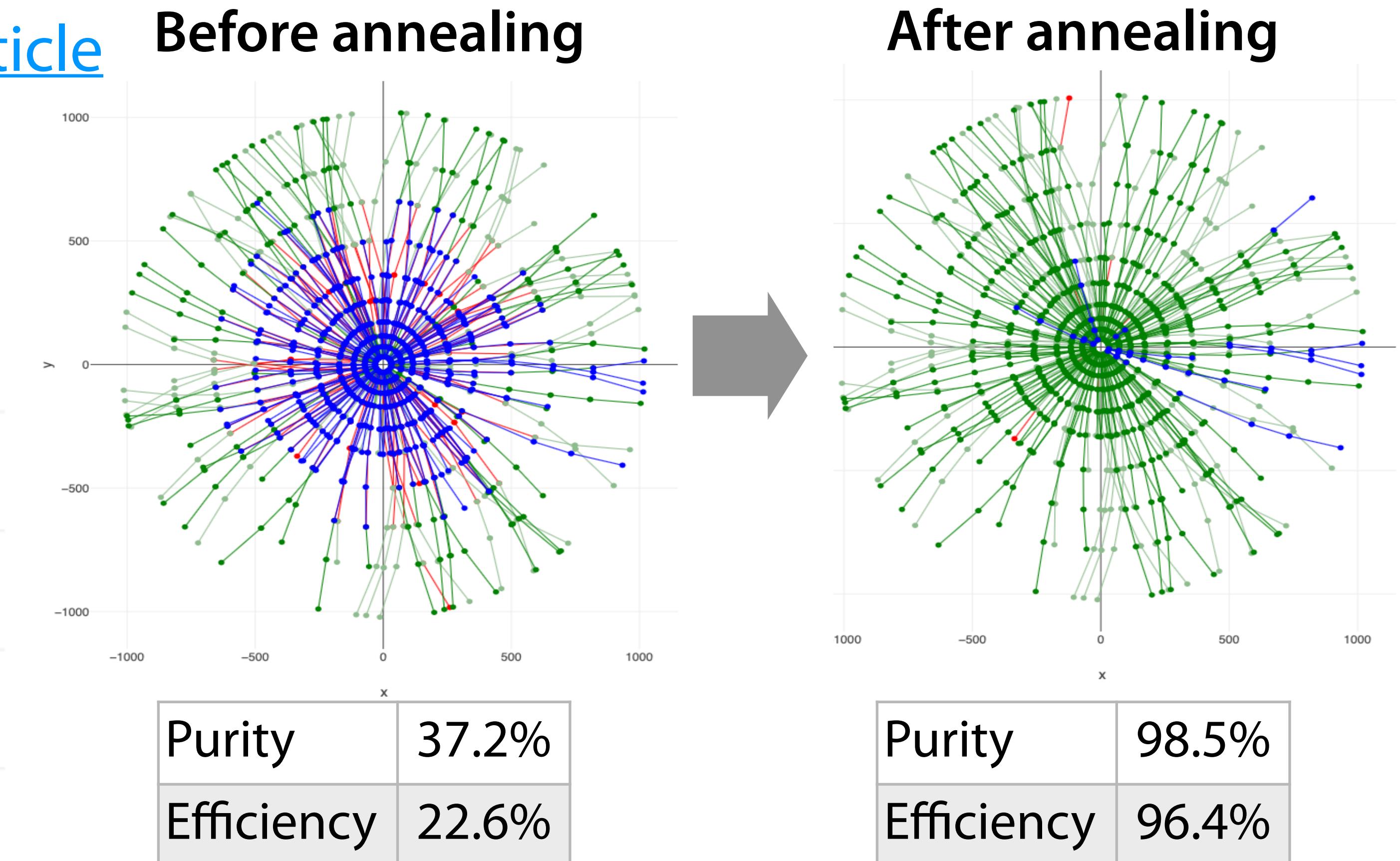
2000Q	Advantage
Topology	Pegasus
Qubits	
Couplers	
Full connection	

# Track Finding with Quantum Annealing

Track finding studied using [TrackML Particle Tracking Challenge](#) dataset for HL-LHC



Iterating the annealing process until the lowest energy state is unchanged



- ▶ Many **missing tracks** or **fake tracks** before annealing (reconstruction by connecting nearby triplets)
- ▶ >95% of  $p_T > 1 \text{ GeV}$  **successfully reconstructed** after annealing

# Exercise of Gate-based Charged Particle Tracking

Considered so far solving the QUBO problem by minimizing  $O(b, T)$

$$O(b, T) = \sum_{i=1}^N b_{ii} T_i + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1, (i < j)}^N b_{ij} T_i T_j \quad T \in \{0,1\}$$

Can we solve this using gate-based quantum computer?

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→ Convert objective function to Hamiltonian that can be decomposed into Pauli observables

$$T_i = \frac{1}{2}(1 - s_i) \rightarrow H(h, J, s) = \sum_{i=1}^N h_i s_i + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1, (i < j)}^N J_{ij} s_i s_j \text{ (+ constant)} \quad s \in \{1, -1\}$$

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$$s \in \{1, -1\}$$

$s \in \{1, -1\}$  can be obtained as expectation values of Pauli  $Z$  operator

→ Possible to solve by minimizing the expectation values of the Hamiltonian using VQE!

# Implementation to VQE Circuit

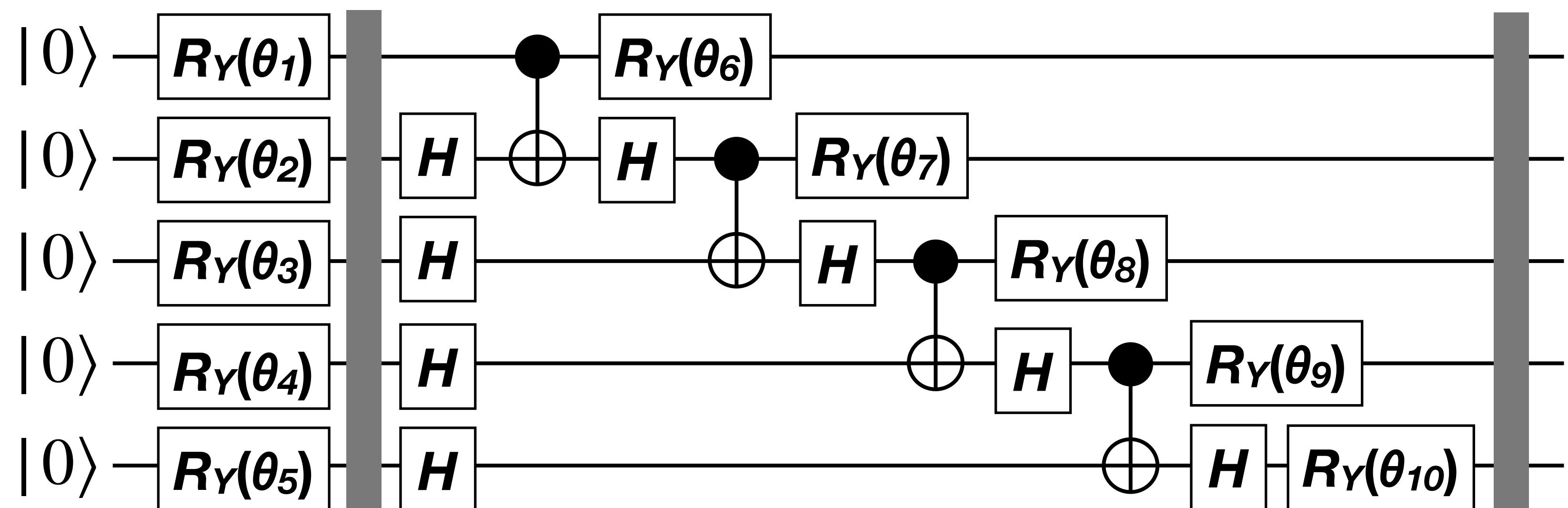
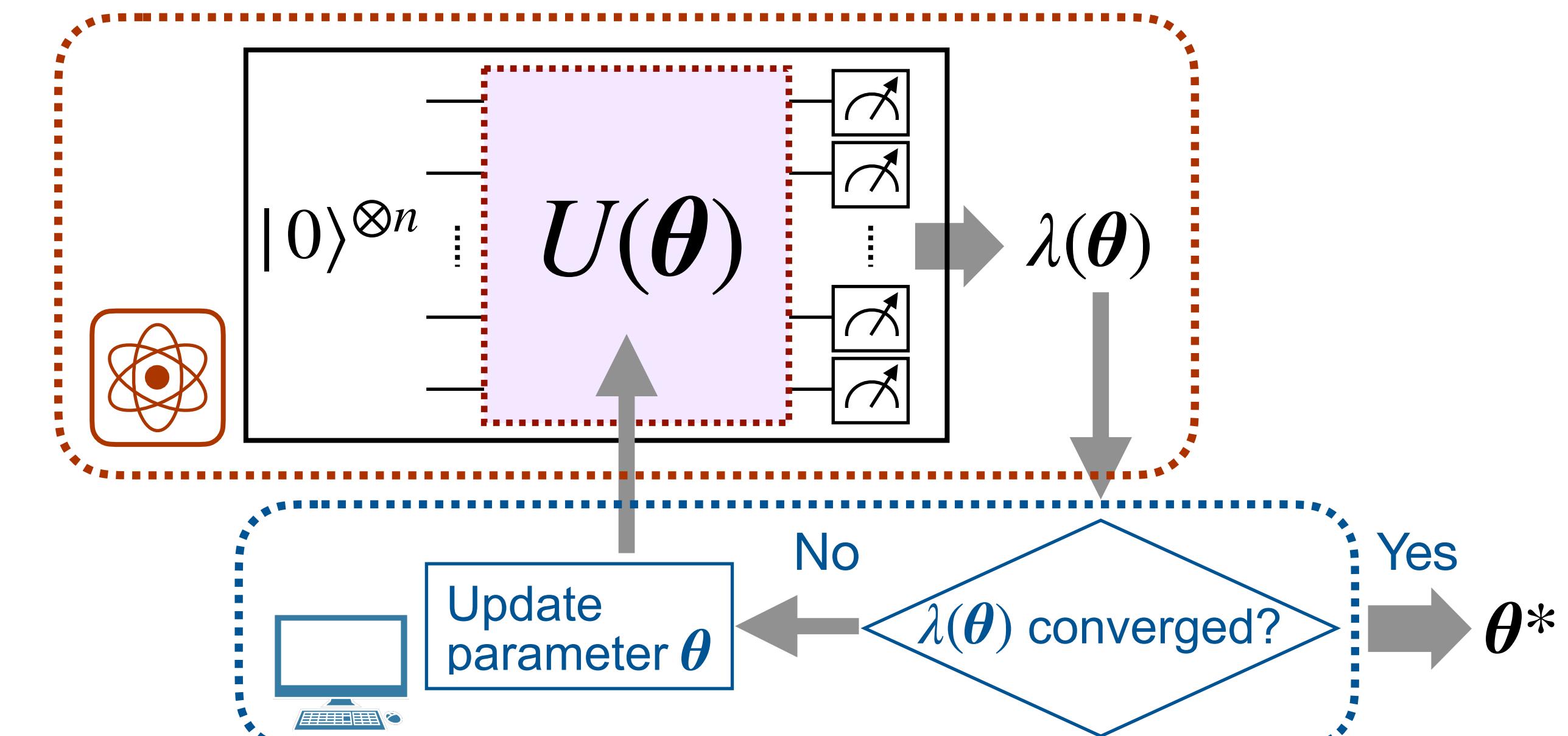
Find the lowest-energy eigenstate of the Hamiltonian using VQE

$$\lambda(\theta) \equiv \langle \psi(\theta) | H | \psi(\theta) \rangle$$

$$\theta \rightarrow \theta^*$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda(\theta^*) \sim \langle \psi_{\min} | H | \psi_{\min} \rangle = \lambda_{\min}$$

$R_Y$  and controlled- $R_Z$  gates as  $U(\theta)$  for  $|\psi(\theta)\rangle = U(\theta)|0\rangle$



# Hands-on Exercise (III)

- ▶ Reconstruction of Charged Particles (Tracking) :
  - Tracking with annealing technique
  - Tracking with VQE-based approach

More recent perspectives on QML...

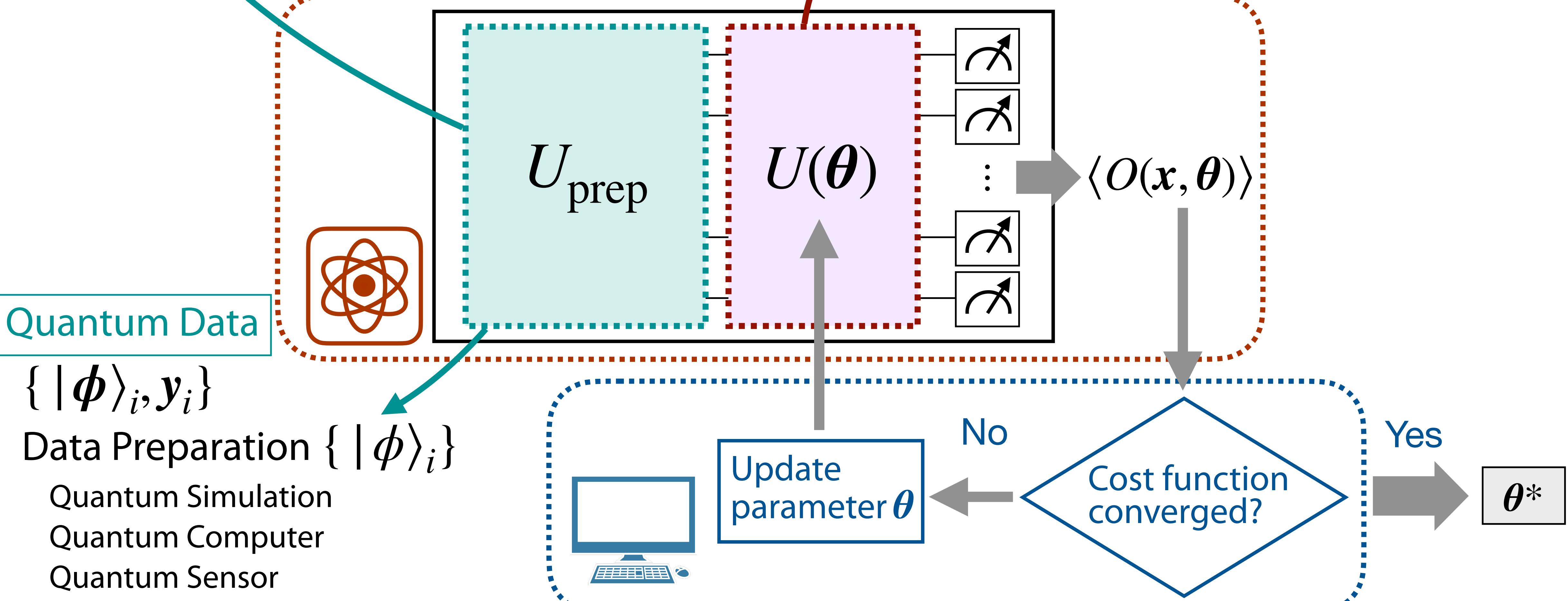
# Conventional QNN Model

Classical Data  $\{x_i, y_i\}$

Data Encoding  $|\phi(x)\rangle = U_{\text{in}}(x) |0\rangle^{\otimes n}$

State Transformation with Parameterized Unitaries

$|\psi(x, \theta)\rangle = U(\theta) |\phi(x)\rangle$



# Conventional QNN Model

Classical Data  $\{x_i, y_i\}$

- ▶ Hard to simulate classically
- ▶ “Modest” entanglement

Quantum Data

- ▶ Efficient state preparation possible
- ▶ Standard quantum dataset for benchmarking

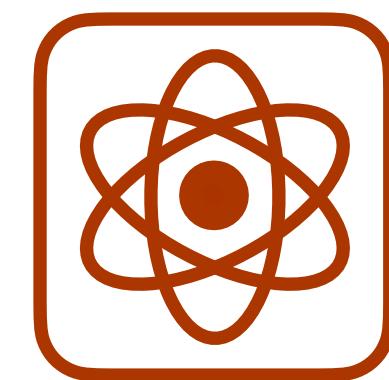
Quantum Computer

Quantum Sensor

...

$|0\rangle^{\otimes n}$

$U_{\text{prep}}$



State Transformation with Parameterized Unitaries

- ▶ Necessary and sufficient expressibility
- ▶ Robust against barren plateau

$U(\theta)$



$\langle O(x, \theta) \rangle$

Resiliency to noise

$U_{\text{parameterized}}$

Generalization to unseen test data

converged?

No

Yes

$\theta^*$

Important ingredients for successful QML model...

# Barren Plateau

Hilbert space grows exponentially in number of qubits

Known that the training of variational quantum algorithm (parameterized quantum circuit) generally becomes difficult with the system size

[J. R. McClean et al., Nat. Commun. 9, 4812 \(2018\)](#)

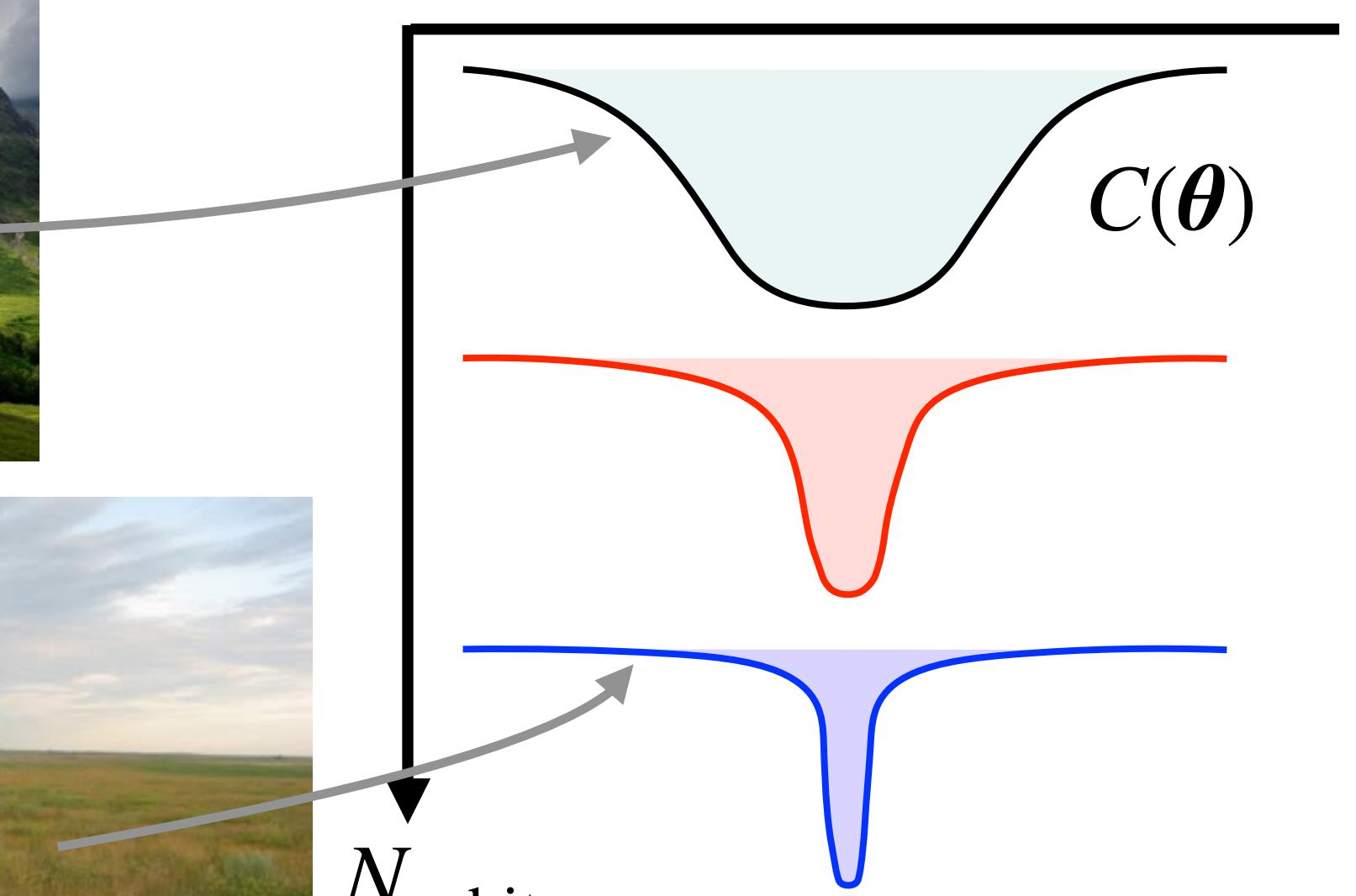
Cost function

$$C(\theta) = \text{Tr}[OU(\theta)\rho U^\dagger(\theta)]$$

$$\rightarrow E_{\theta \sim \text{uniform}} \left[ \frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i} \right] = 0$$

$$V_{\theta \sim \text{uniform}} \left[ \frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i} \right] = \mathcal{O}(b^{-n}) \quad (b > 1)$$

Vanishing gradient

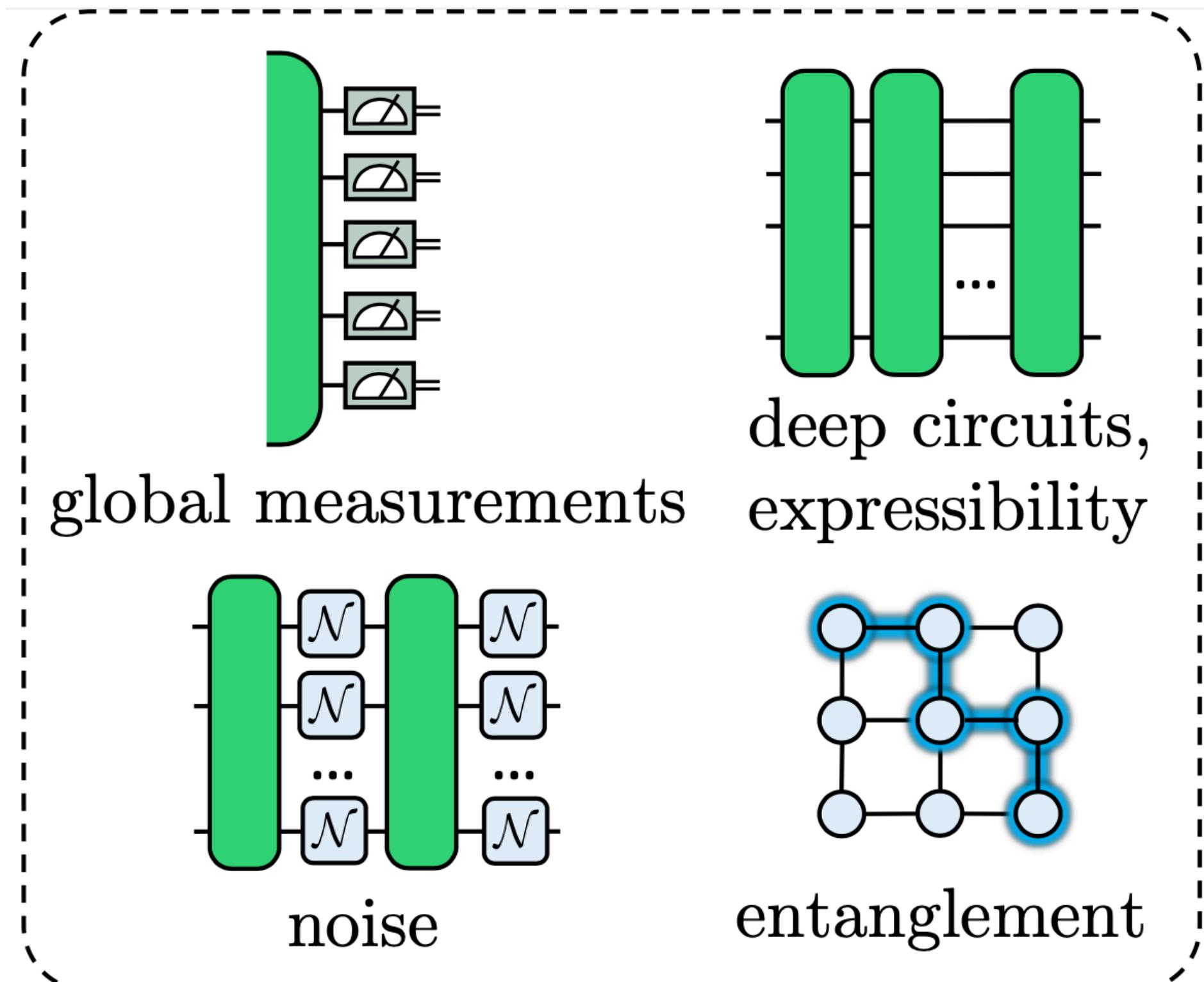


→ Barren Plateau problem

# Barren Plateau

Known that barren plateau can occur due to various reasons:

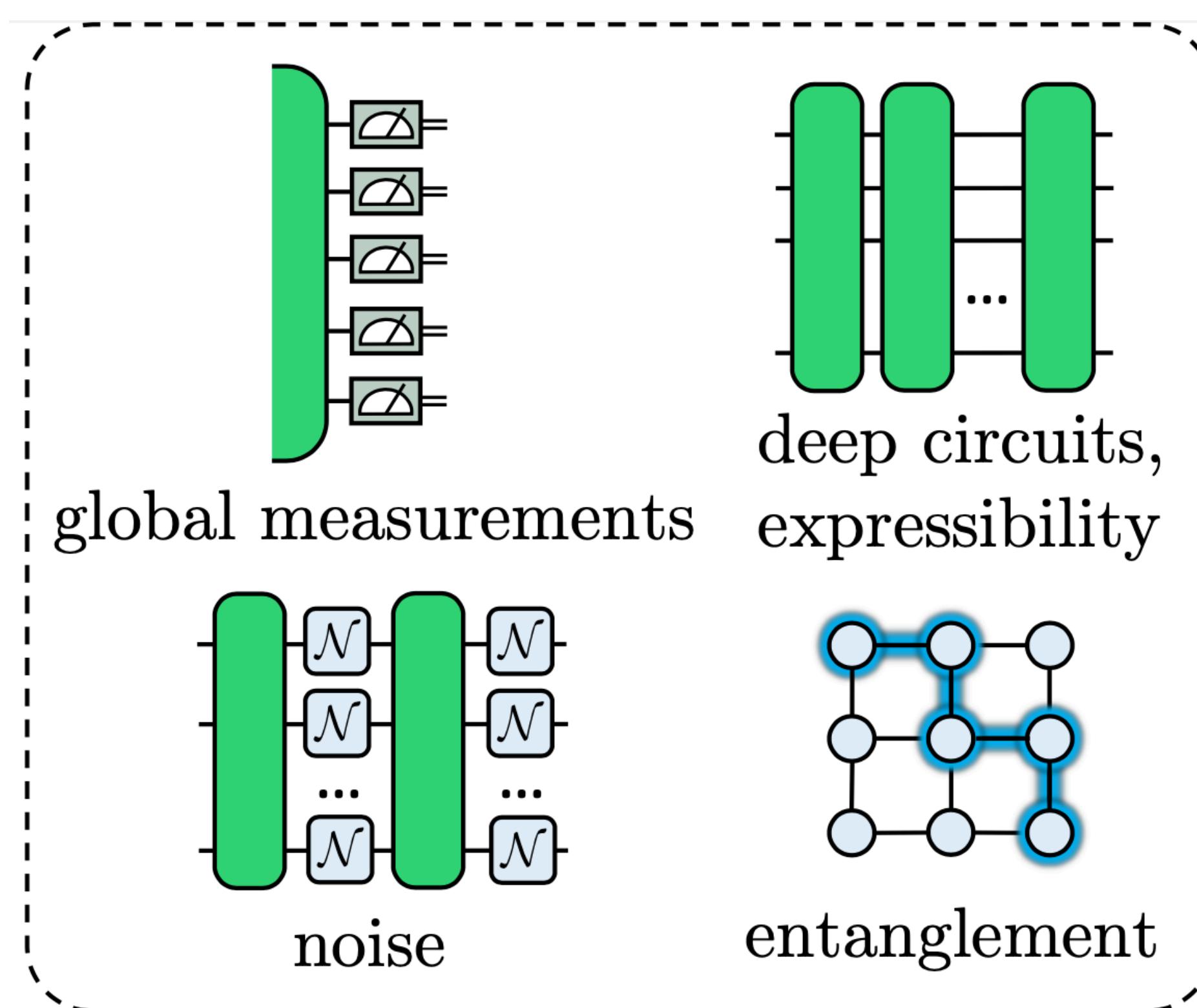
- ▶ *Expressibility of variational quantum circuit, Entanglement property, Cost function (global vs local), Noise, Data encoding, ...*



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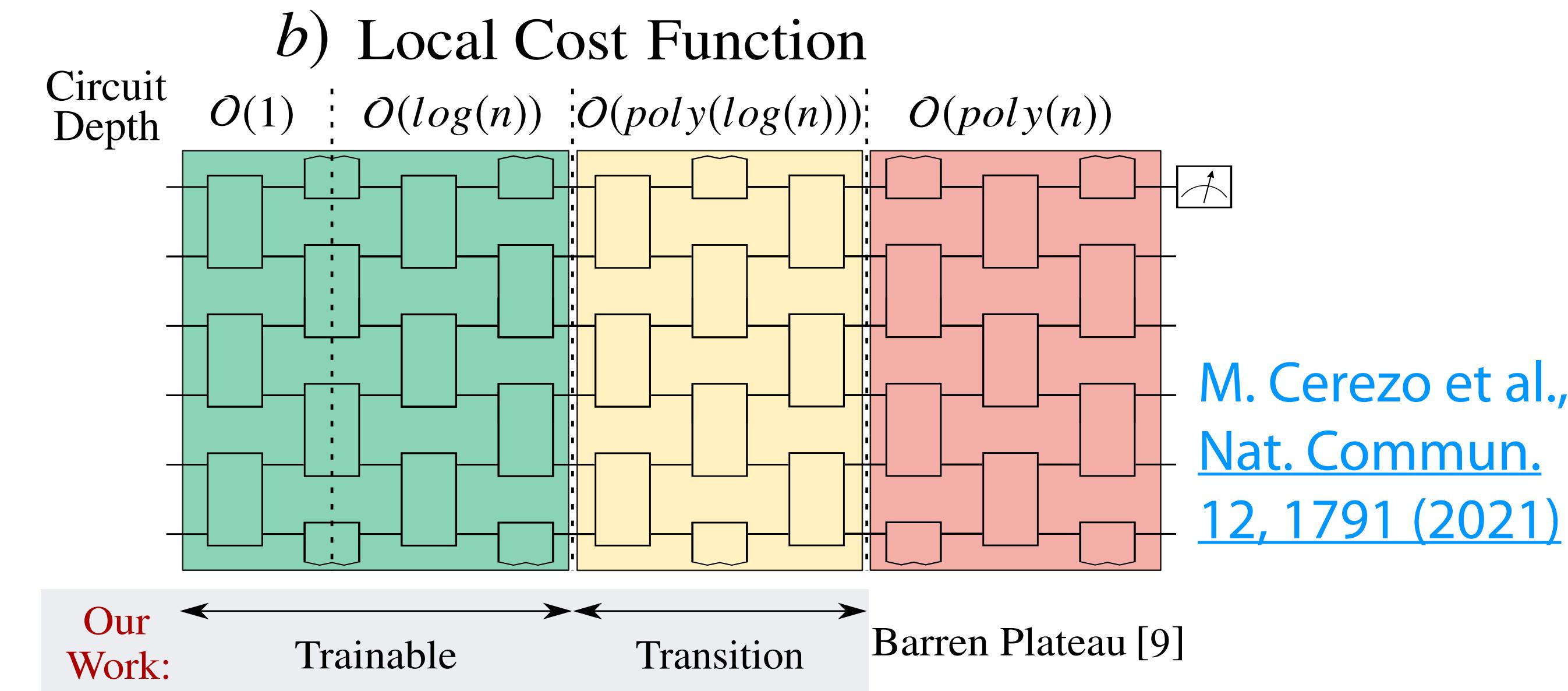
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Very active field of research in quantum machine learning

- ▶ Generally tries to find model that one can avoid barren plateau



Should be further studied...

*"We present strong evidence that commonly used models with provable absence of barren plateaus are also classically simulable, ..."*

# Backup

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# QML Application to Quantum Data

Hamiltonian in  $(1 + 1)d \mathbb{Z}_2$  lattice gauge theory

$$H(m, f) = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_s-1} (X_j Z_{j,j+1} X_{j+1} + Y_j Z_{j,j+1} Y_{j+1})$$
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Confinement ( $f \neq 0$ ) and Deconfinement ( $f = 0$ ) phases  
depending on the presence of **background electric field**

Recognize (de)confinement phases as a  
function of  $m$  from a time-evolved state

$|\psi(m, f)\rangle = e^{-iH(m, f)T} |\psi_0\rangle$  using QCNN

