

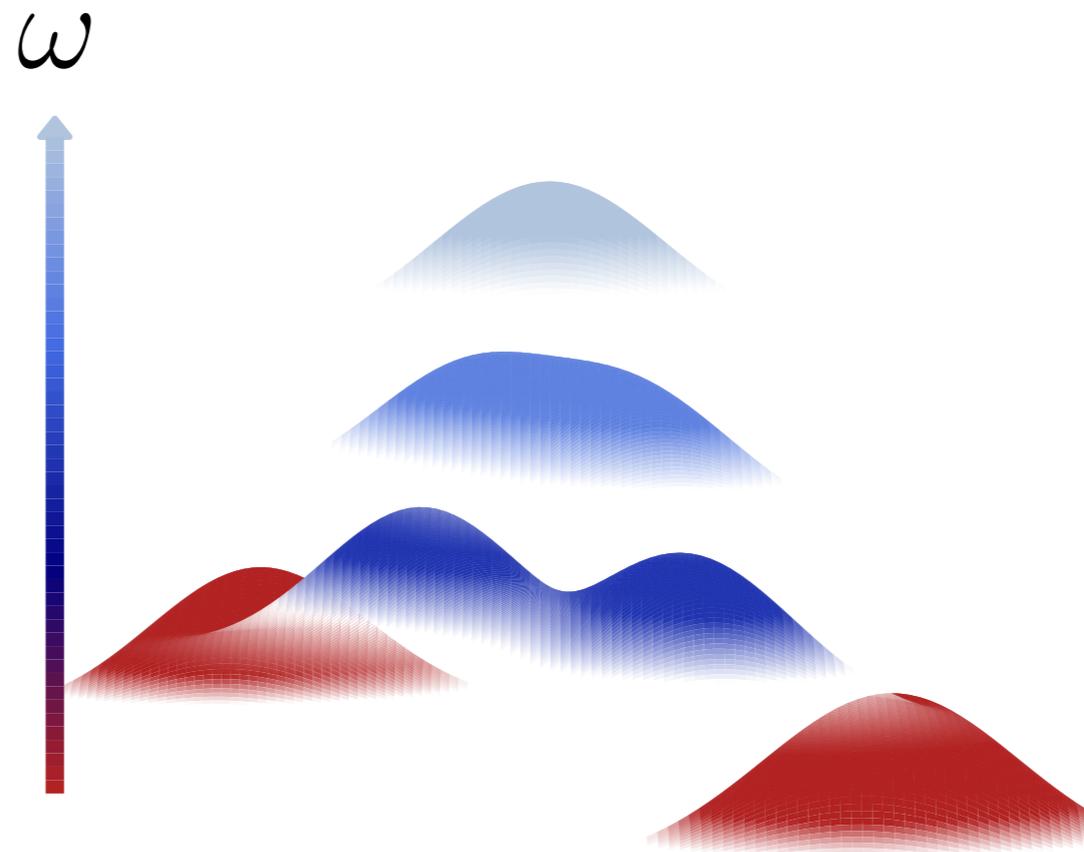
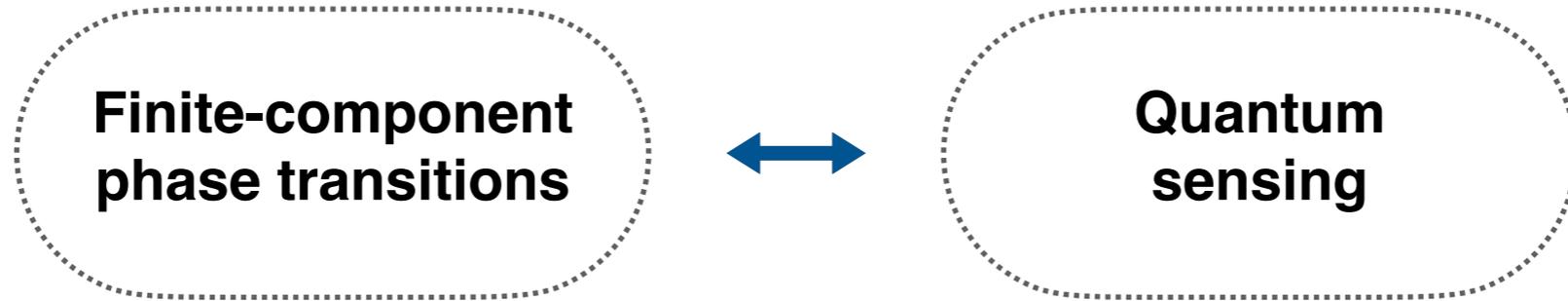
Critical Quantum Sensing

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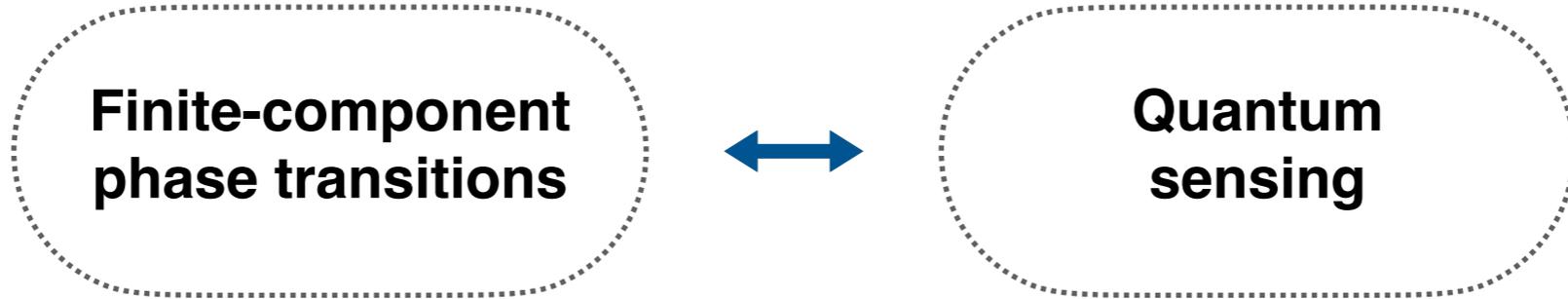
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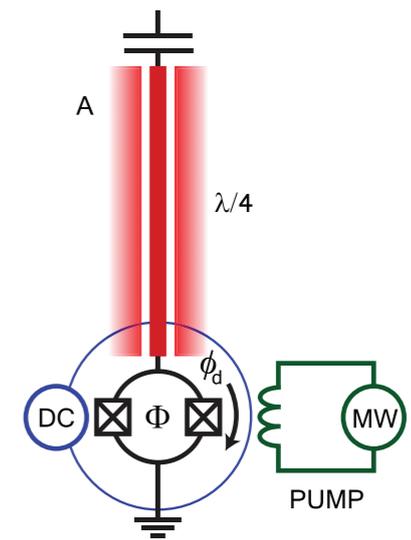


- **Fundamental limits**

Resources: $\langle \hat{N} \rangle$ 

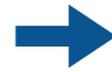
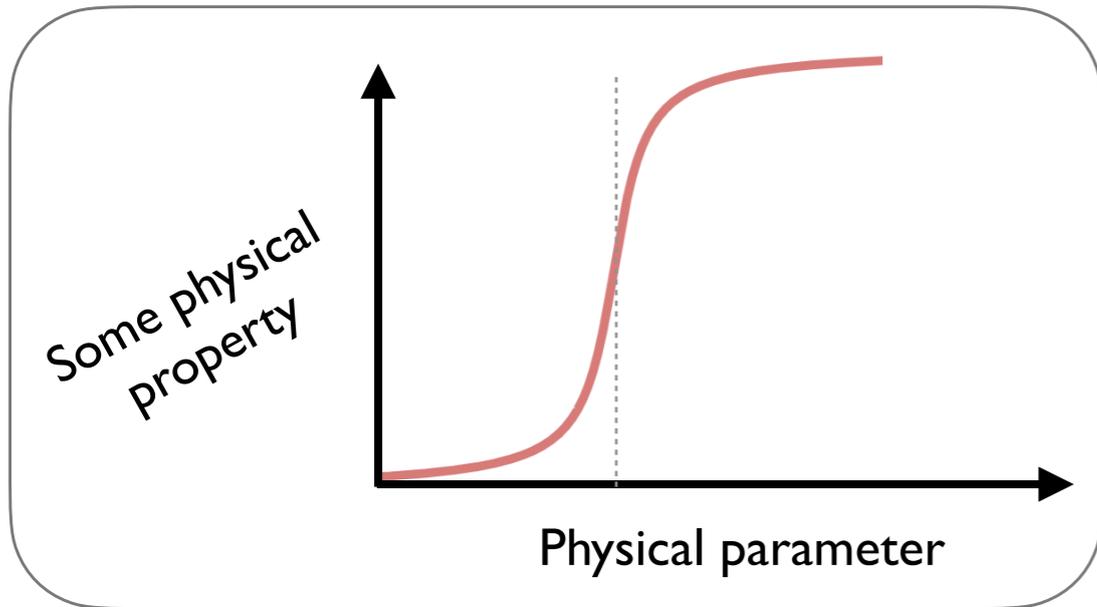
- **Practical applications**

- 1- Quantum Magnetometry
- 2- Qubit readout

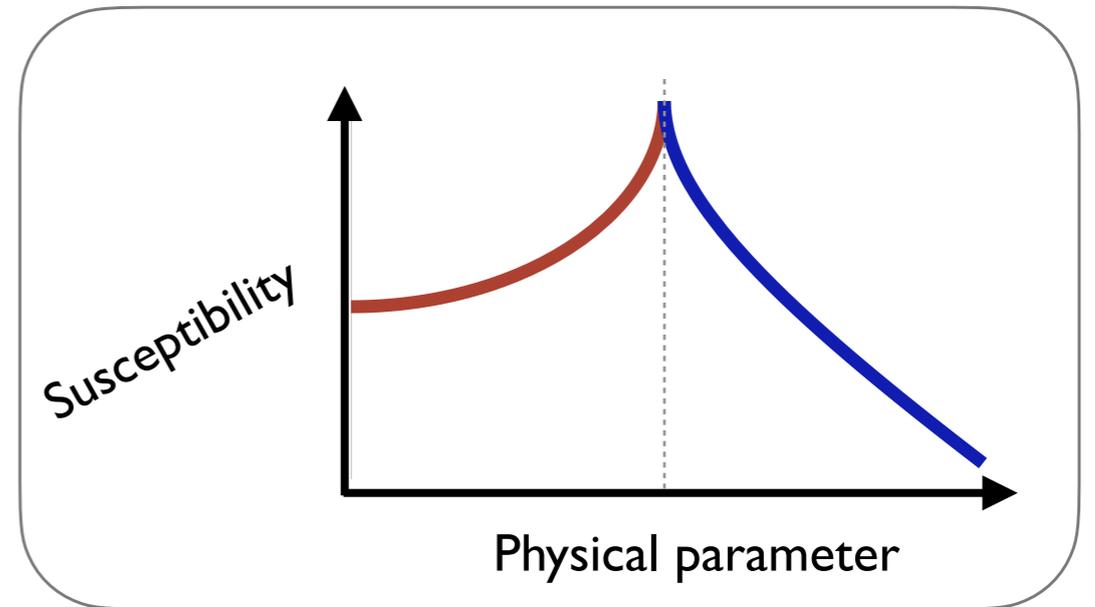


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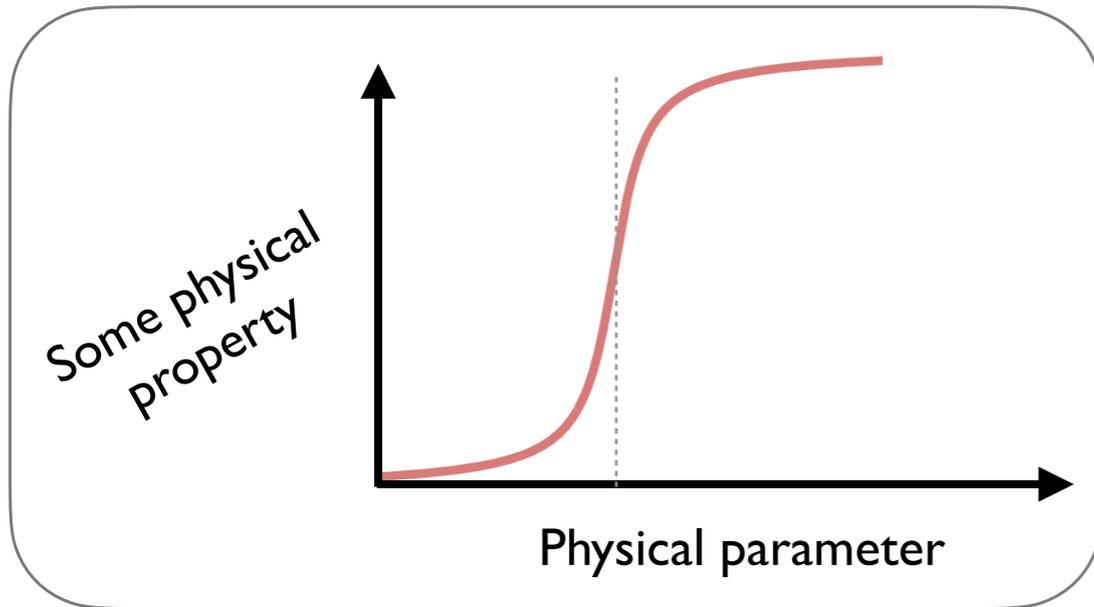


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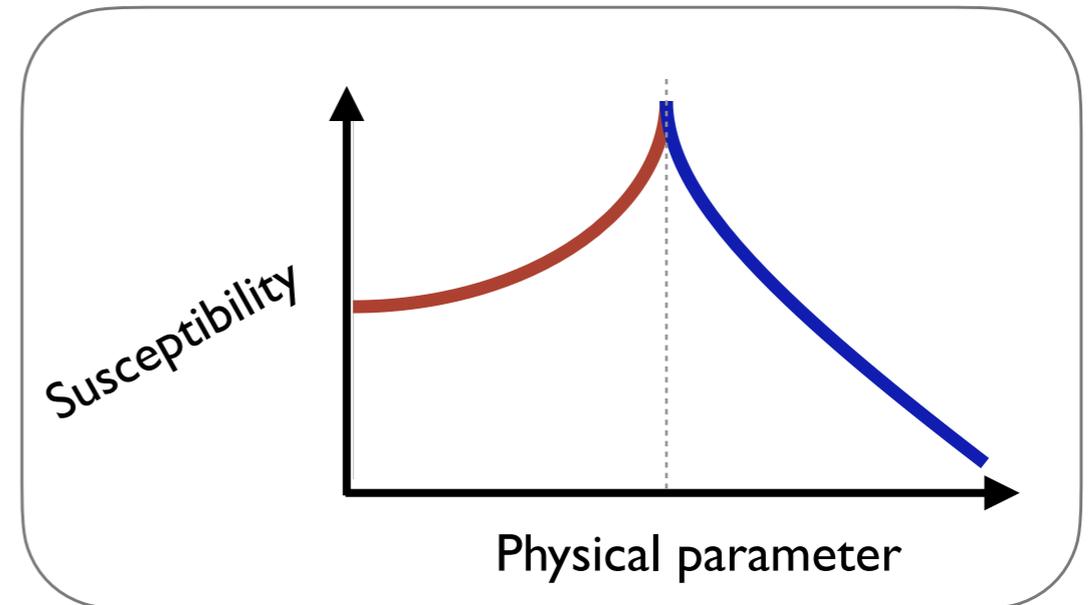


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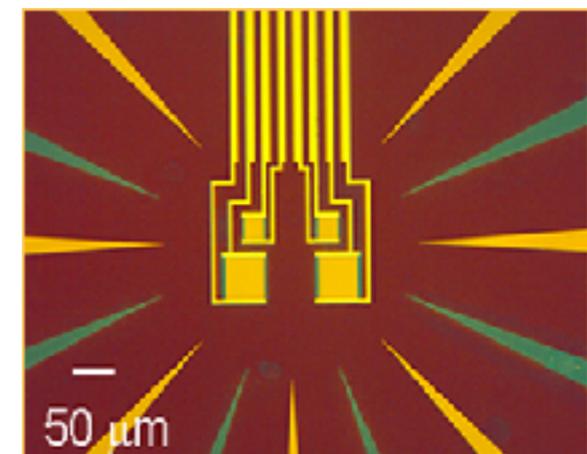
Critical sensors

Bubble chamber
(Liquid-gas)



(CERN image archives)

Transition-edge sensors
(Superconductor-normal)

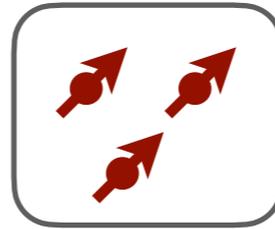


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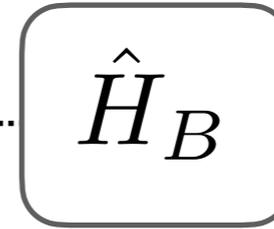
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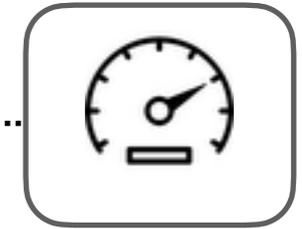
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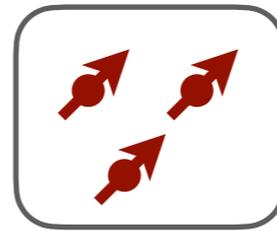


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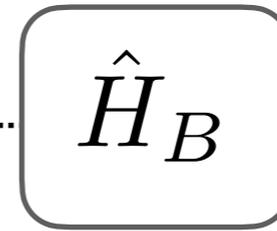
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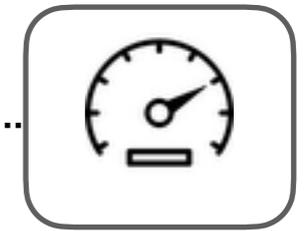
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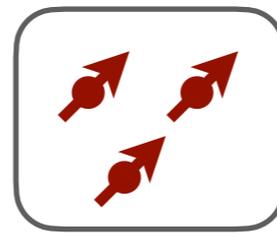
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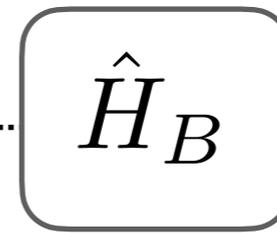
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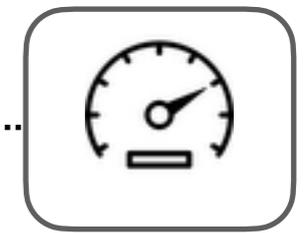
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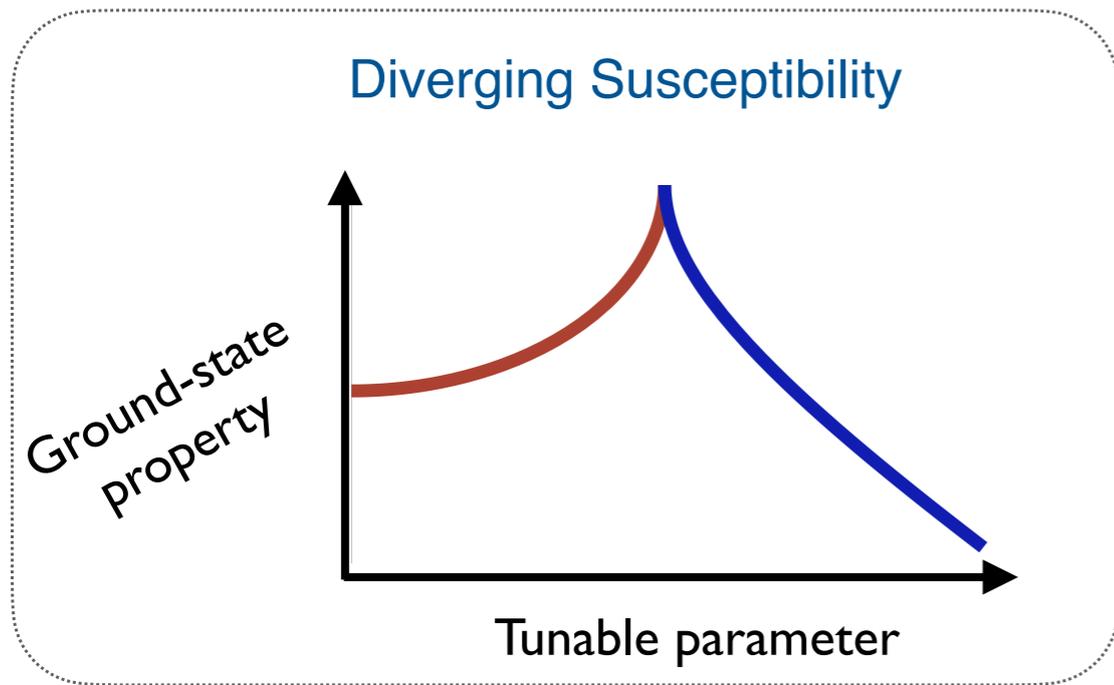
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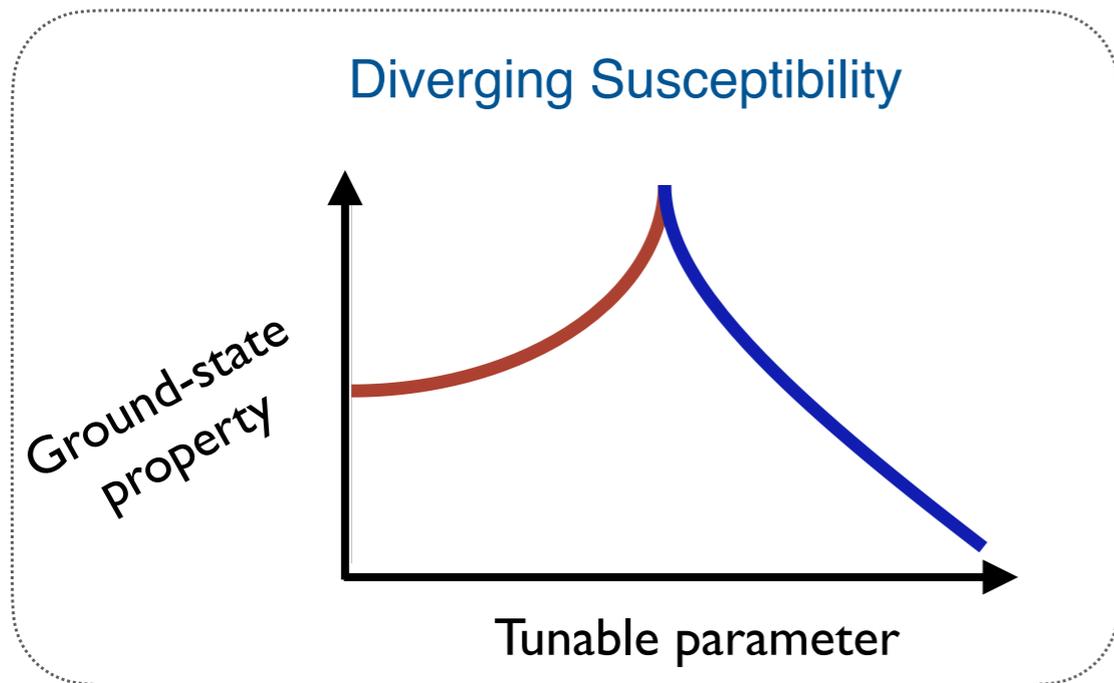
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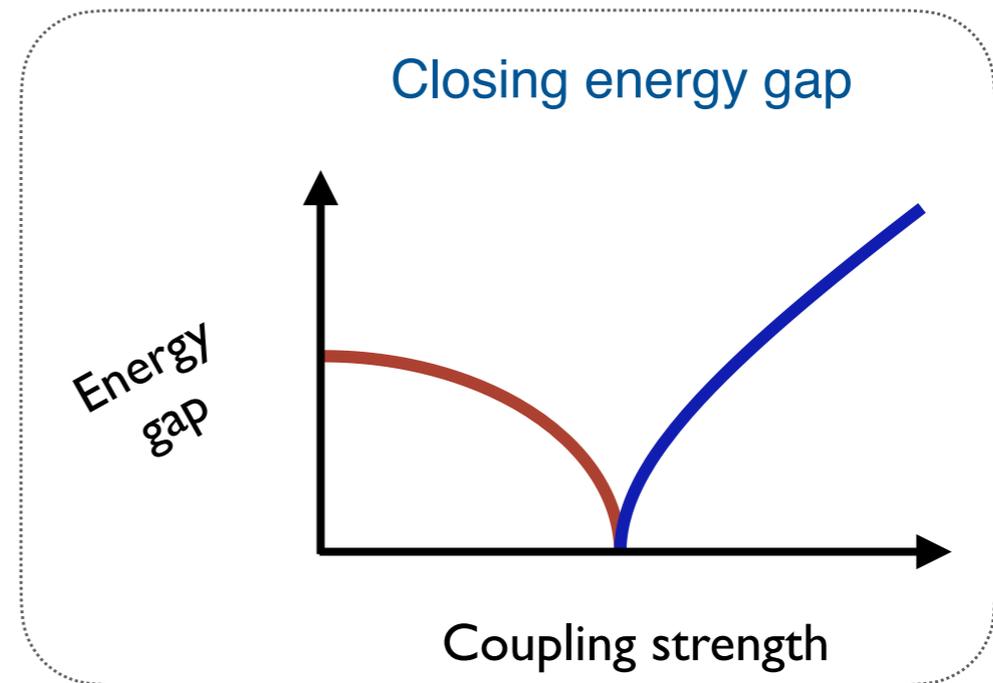


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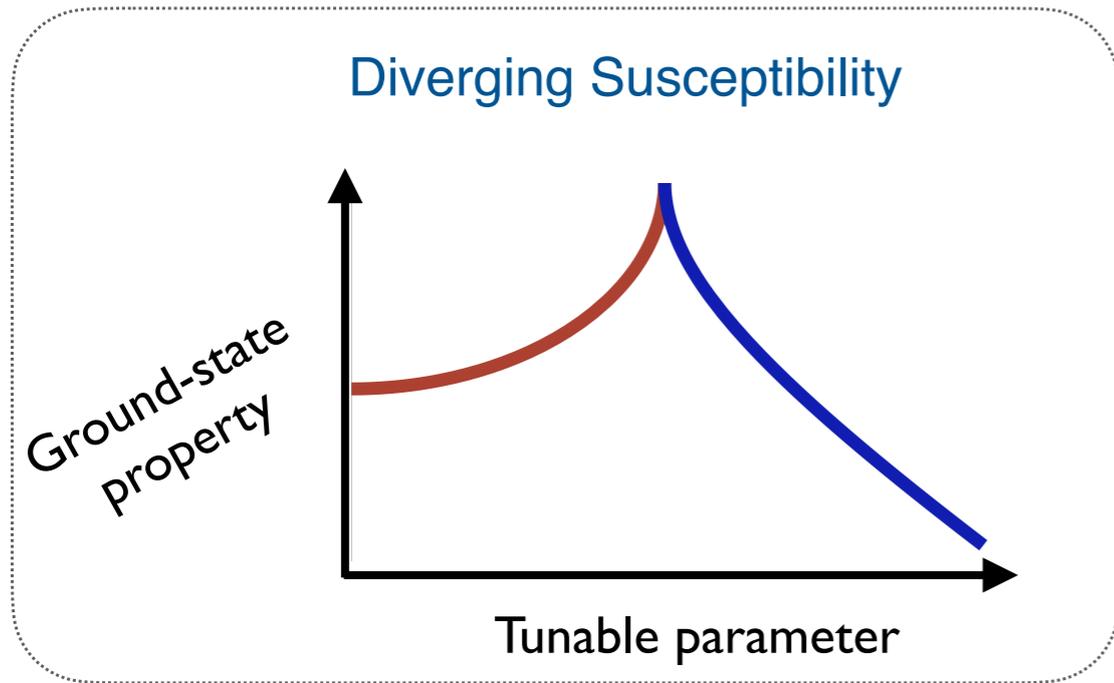


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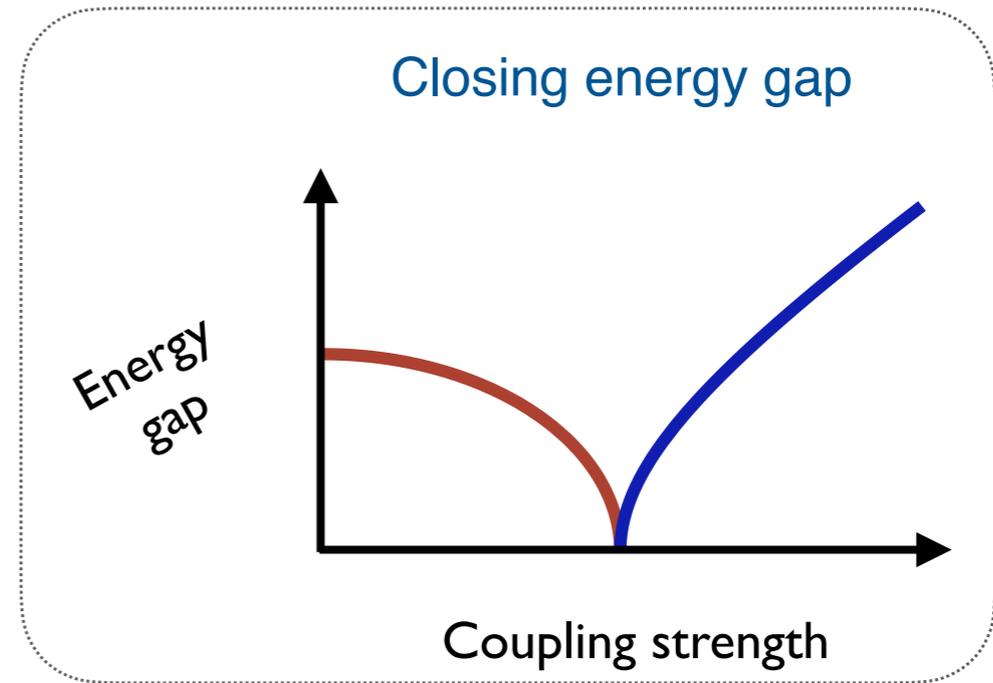


Infinite time..

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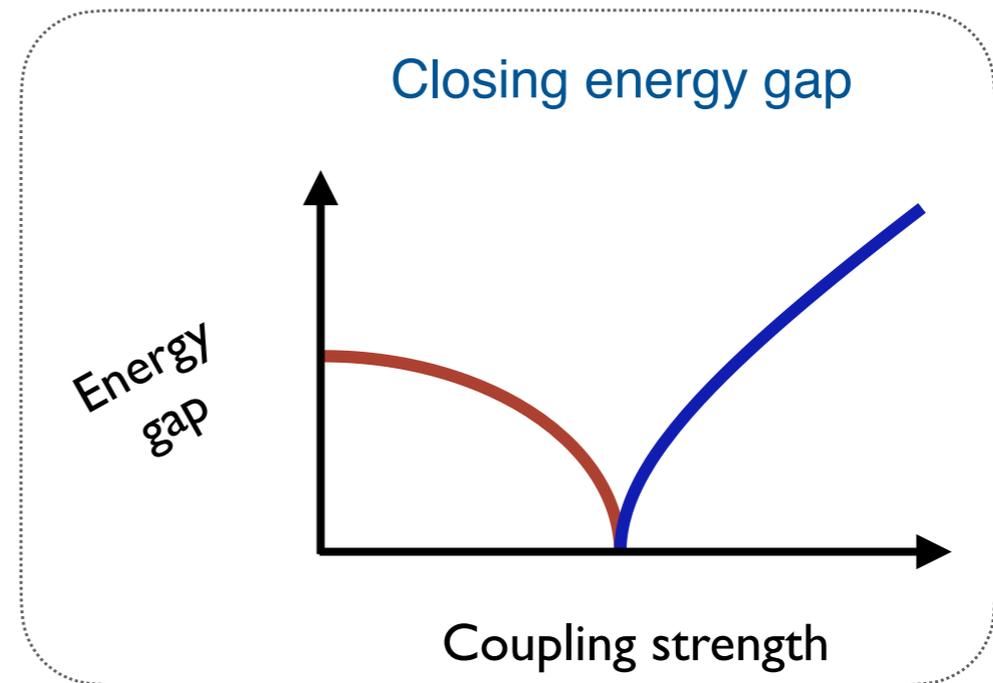
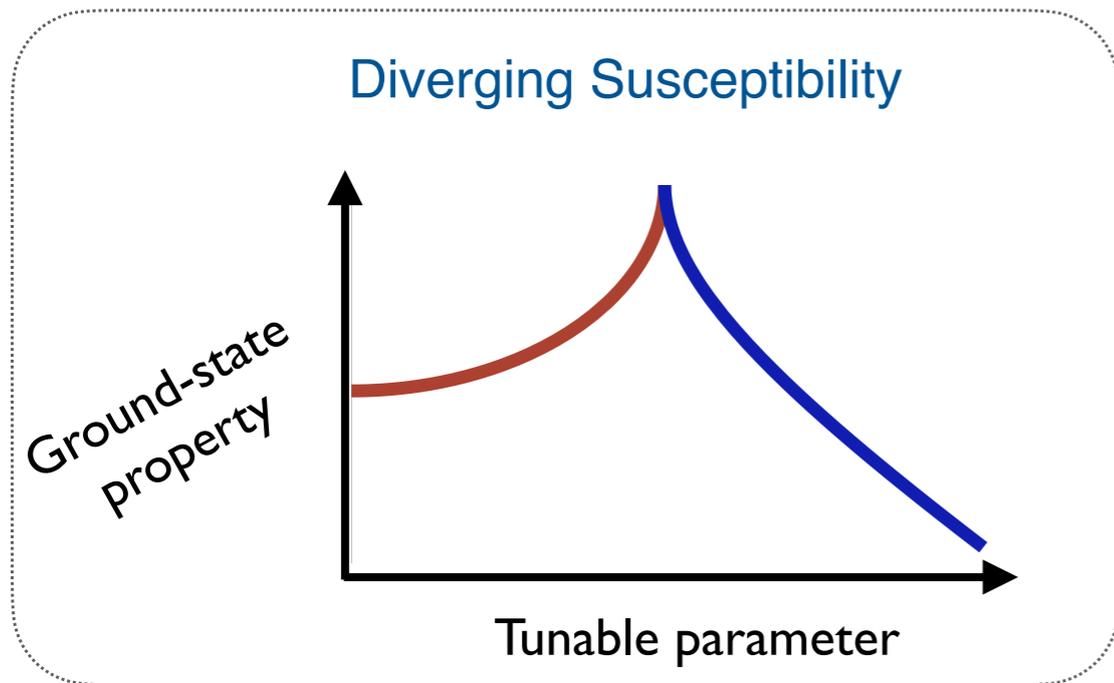


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**Time is a resource
CQM**



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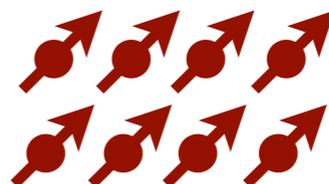


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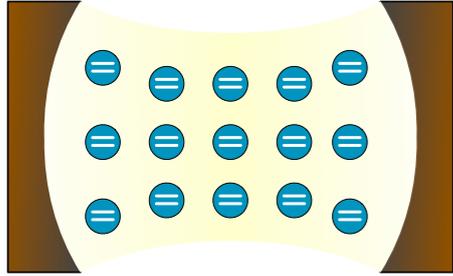
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For spins


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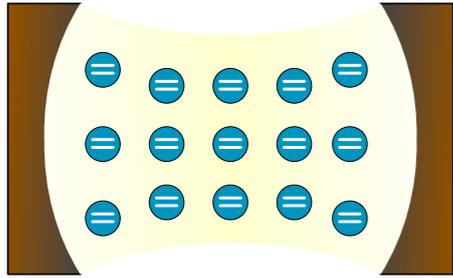
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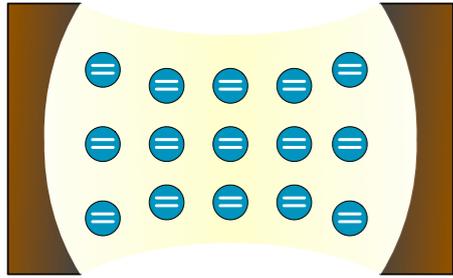
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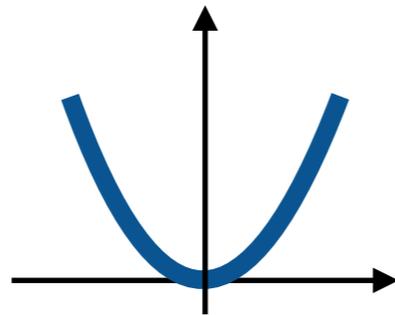
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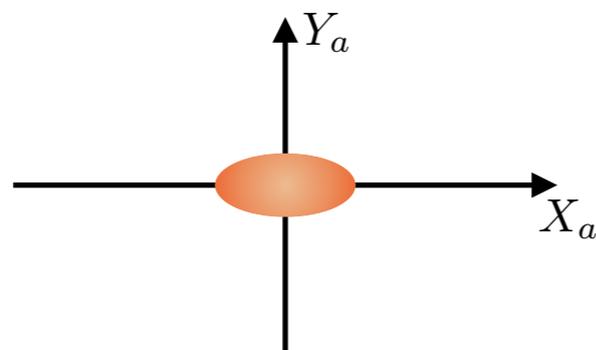
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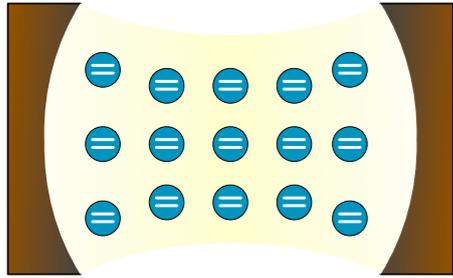


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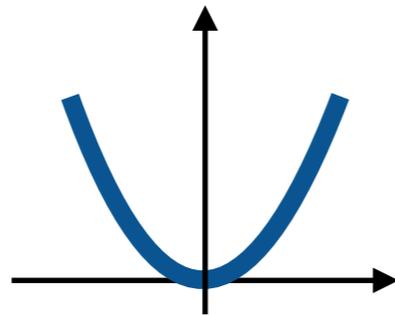
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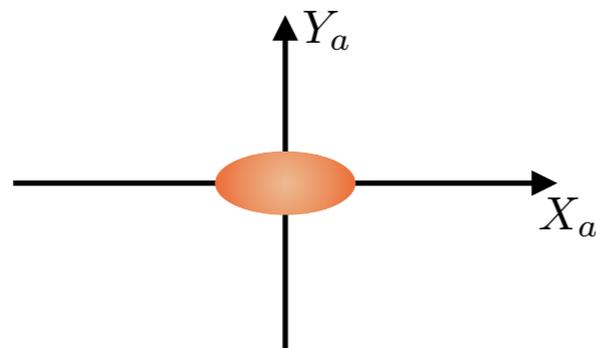
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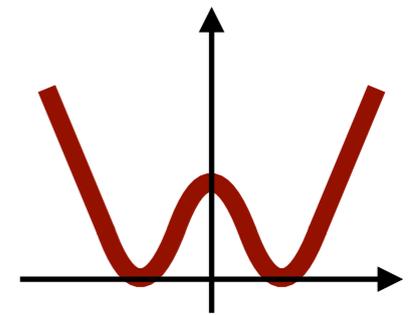
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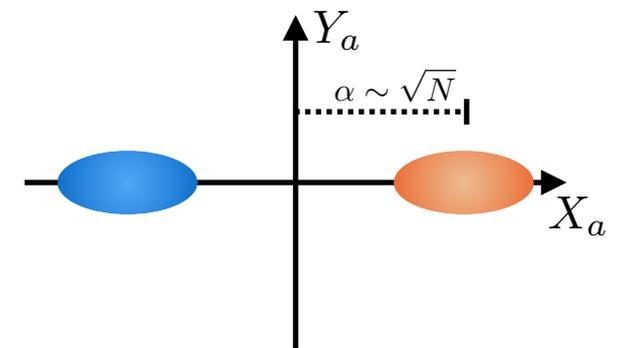
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Superposition



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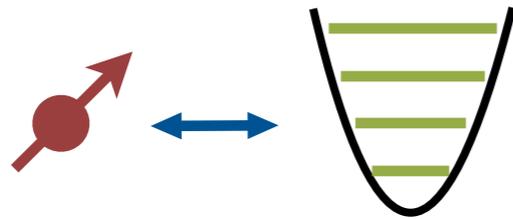
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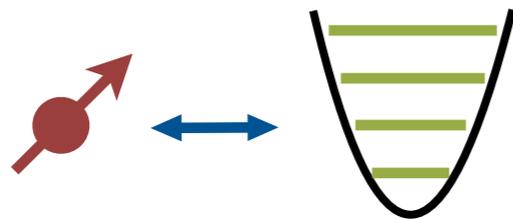
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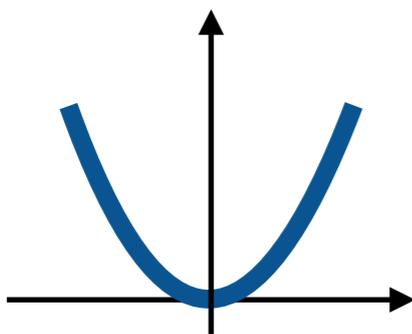


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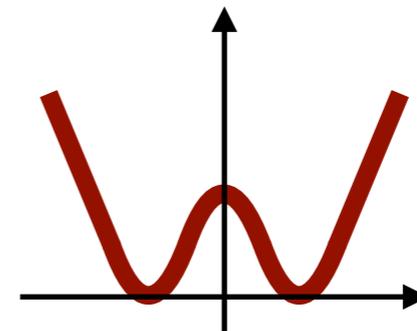
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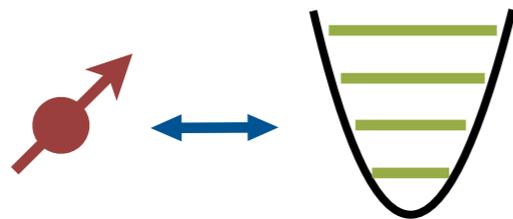


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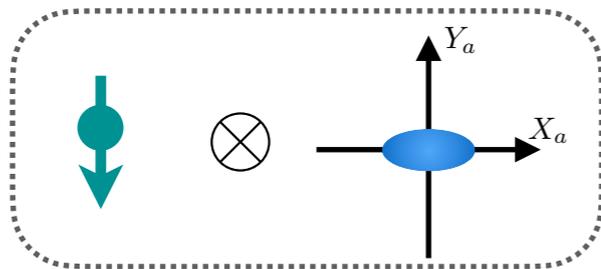


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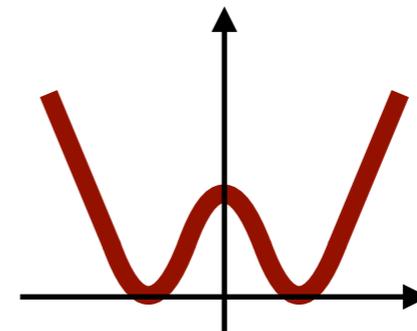
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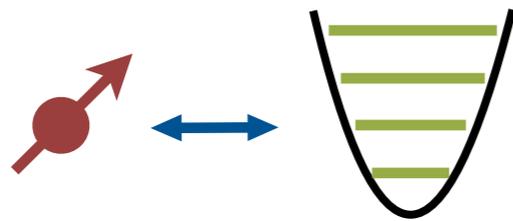


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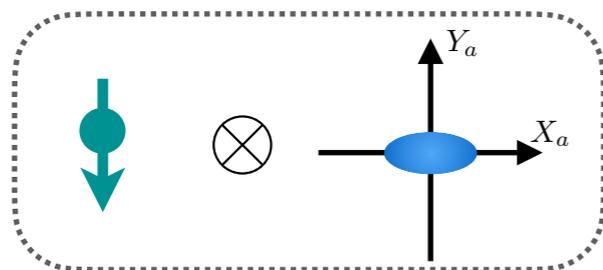


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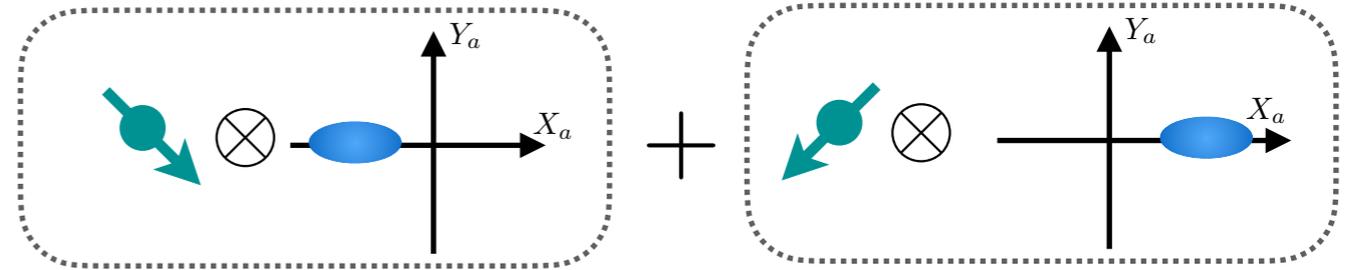
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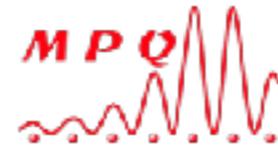


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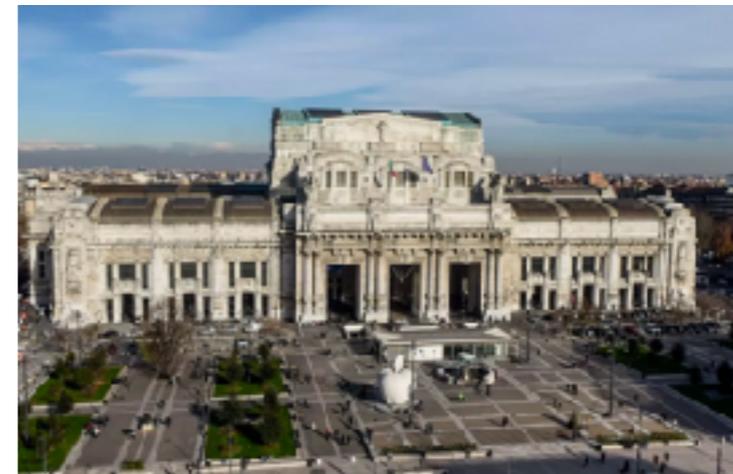
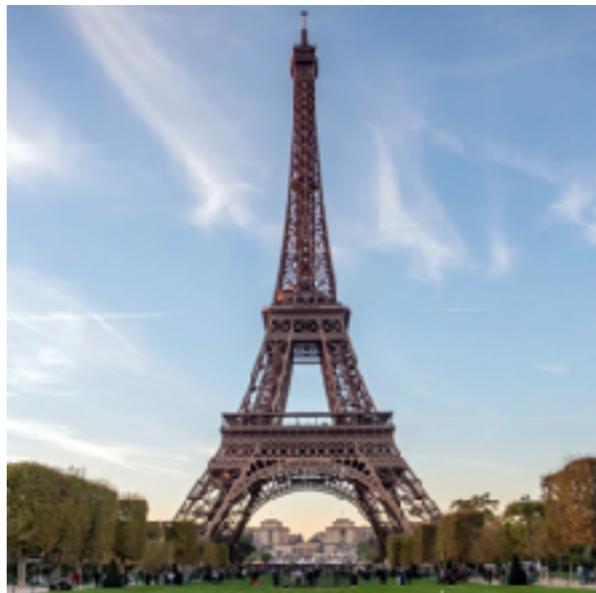
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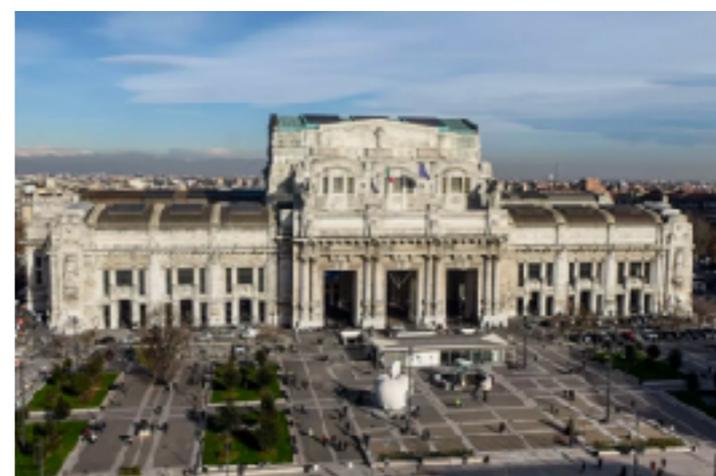
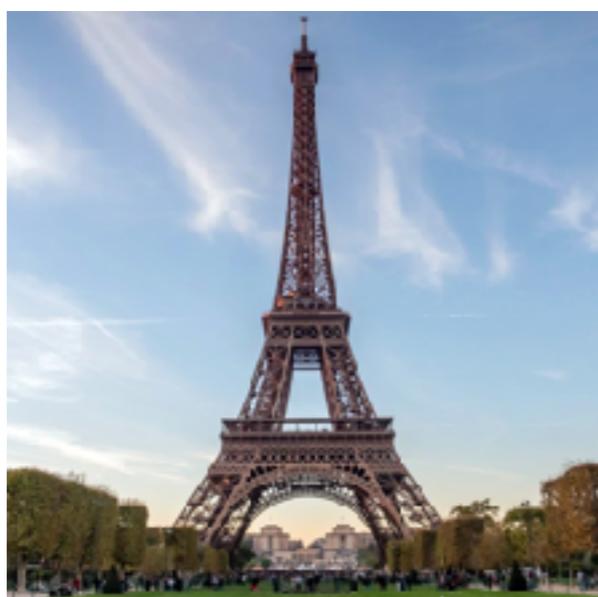
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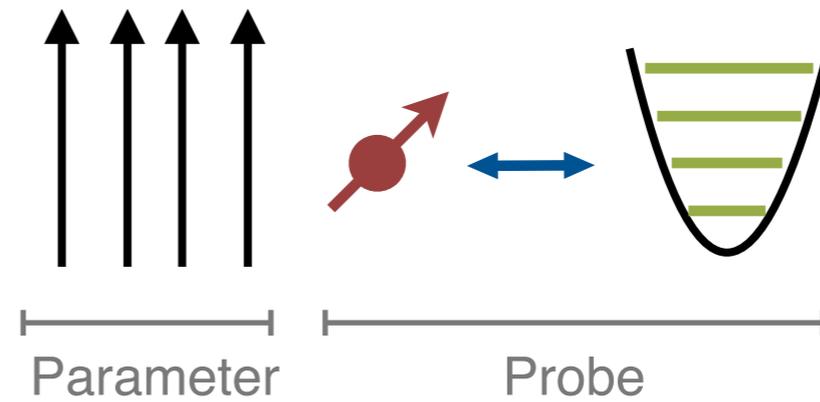


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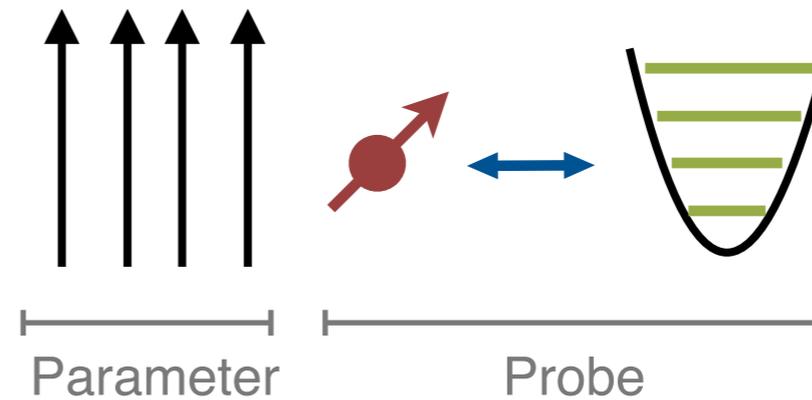
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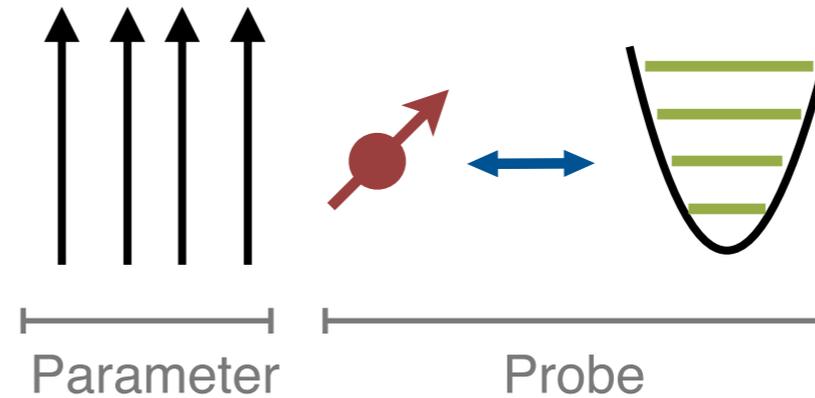
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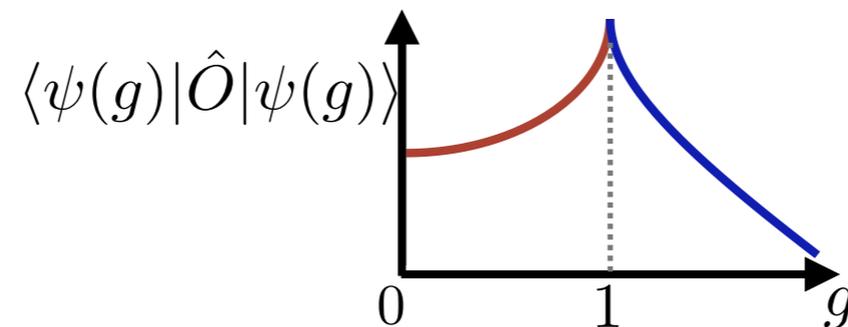
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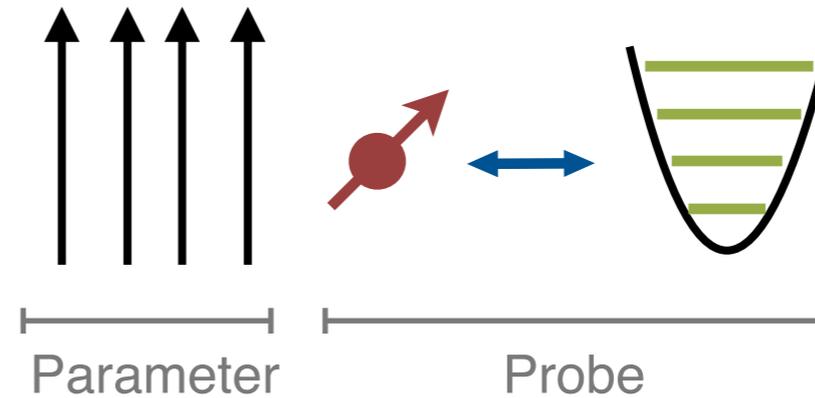
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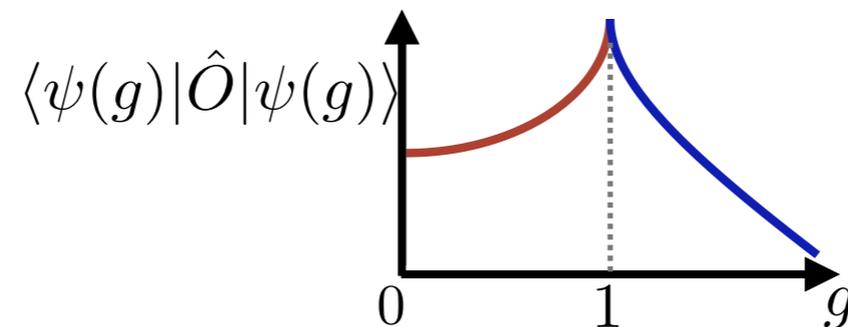
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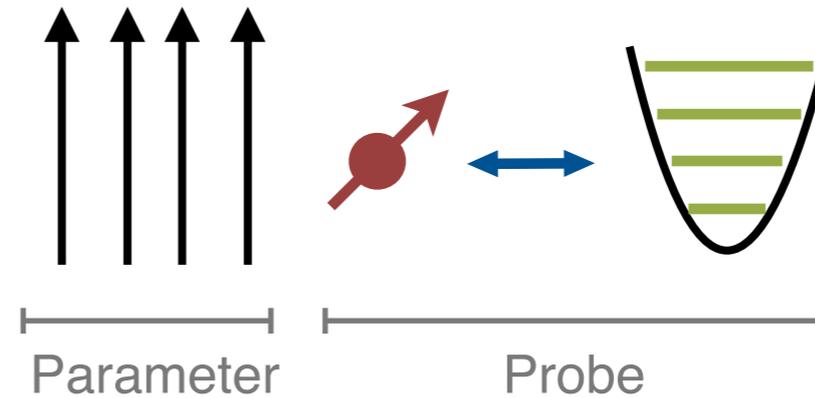
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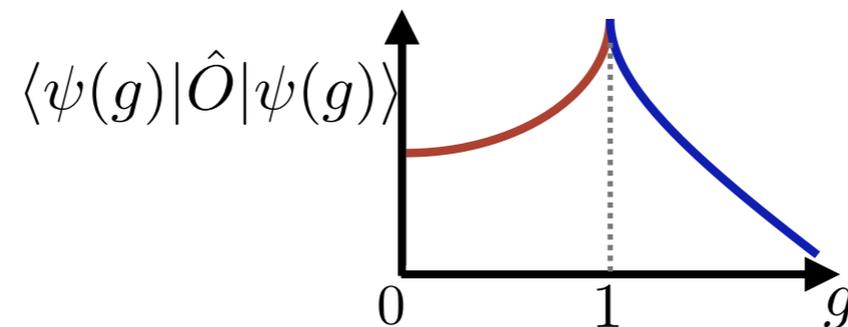
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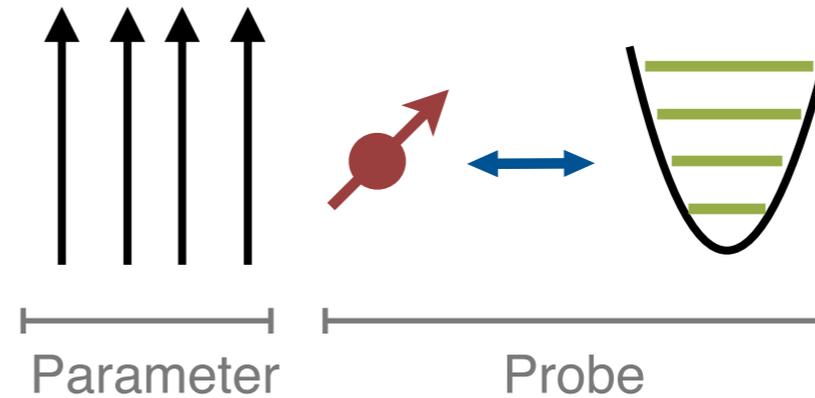
3) Measure ground state
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Driven-dissipative case

- 1) Prepare trivial initial state
 $|\psi(g)\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |\downarrow\rangle$
- 2) Long-time evolution
 $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\psi(t)\rangle$
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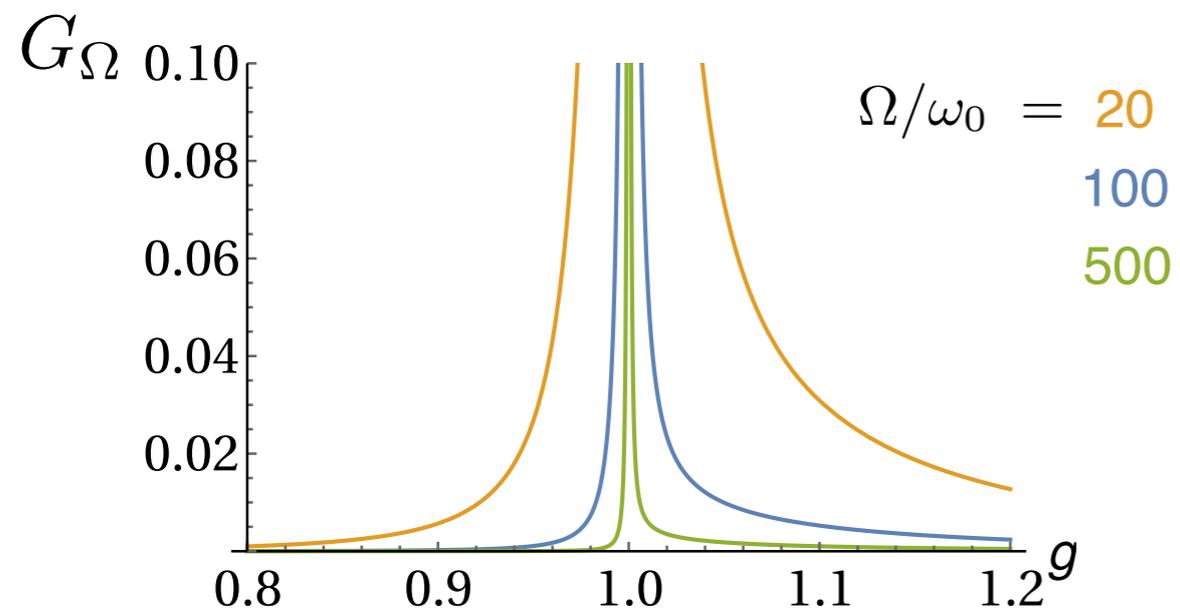
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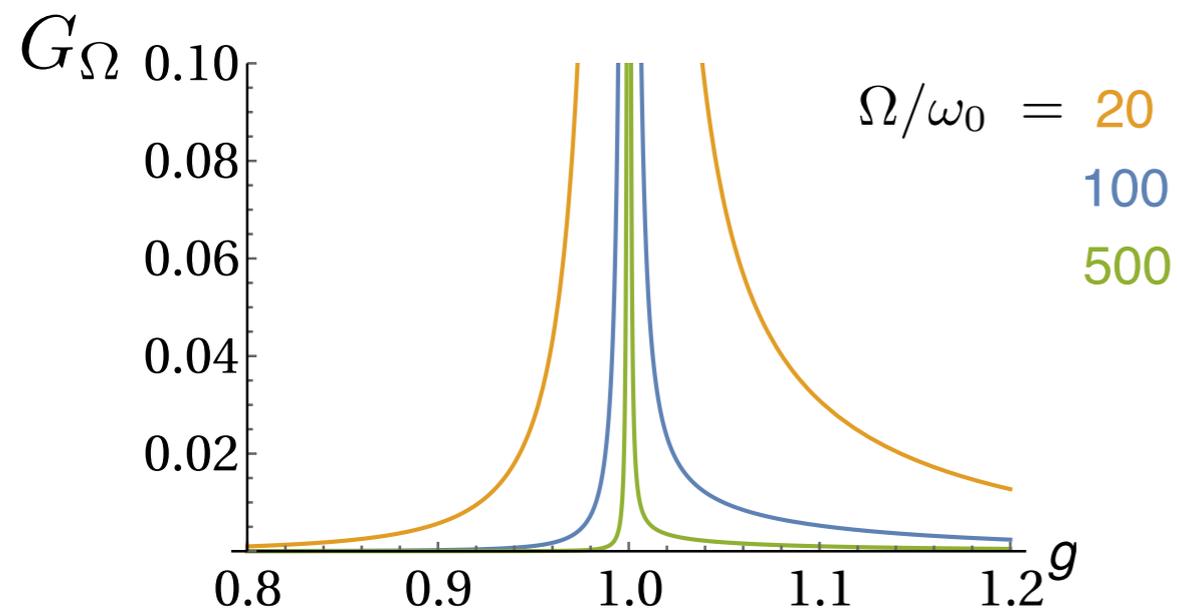
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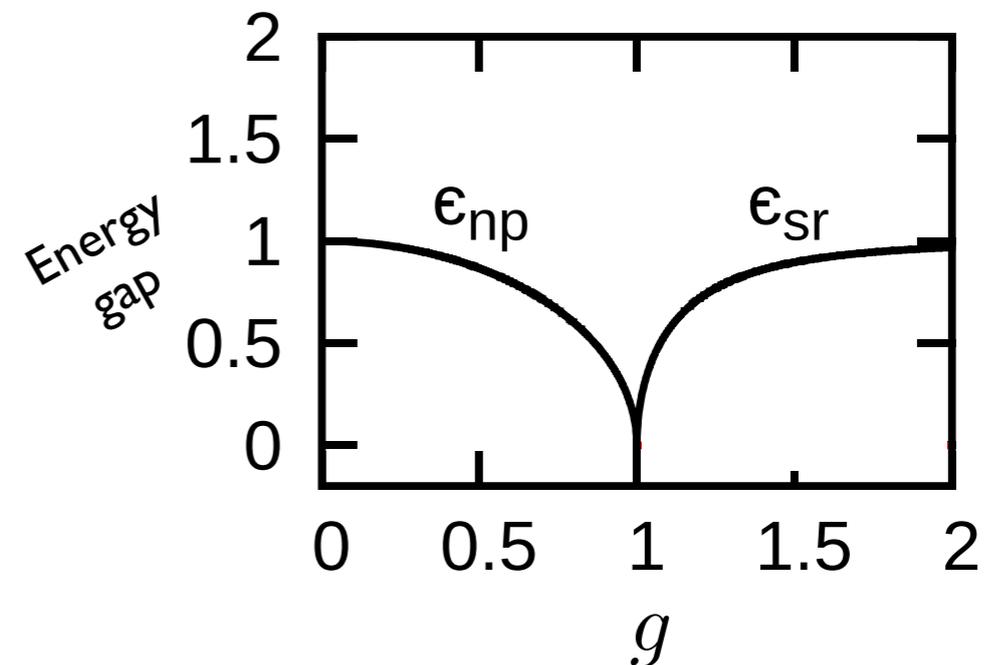


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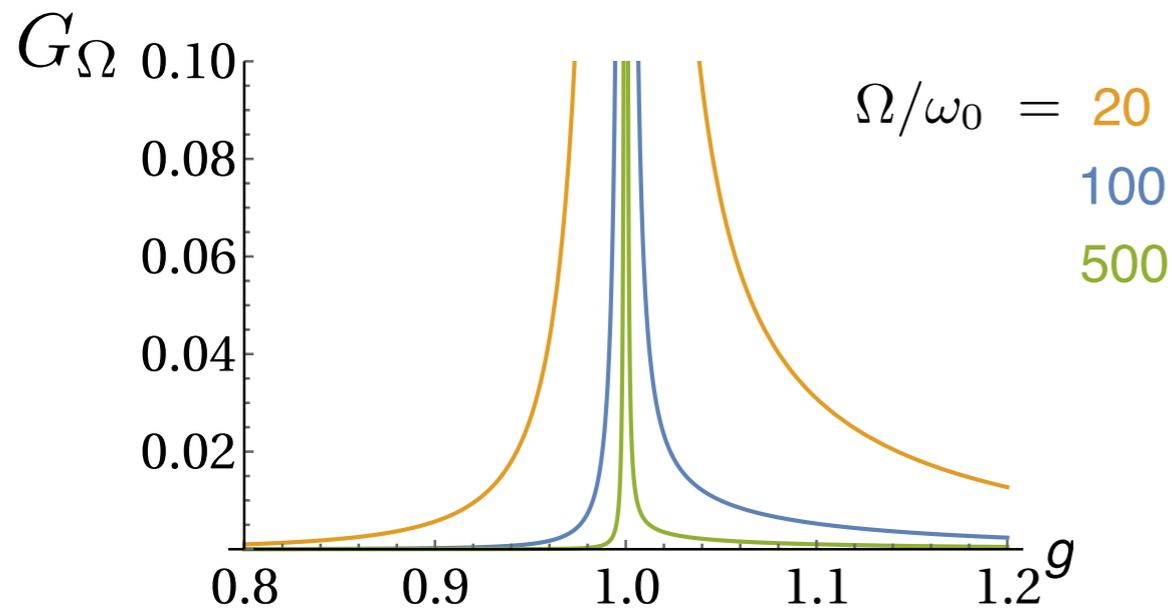
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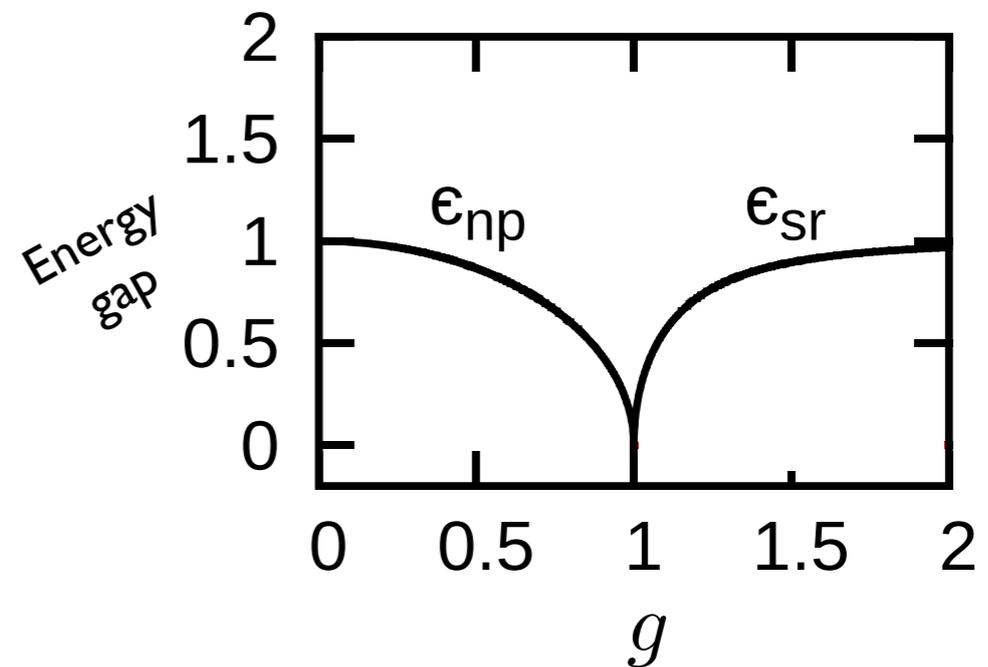


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(from time-dependent perturbation theory)

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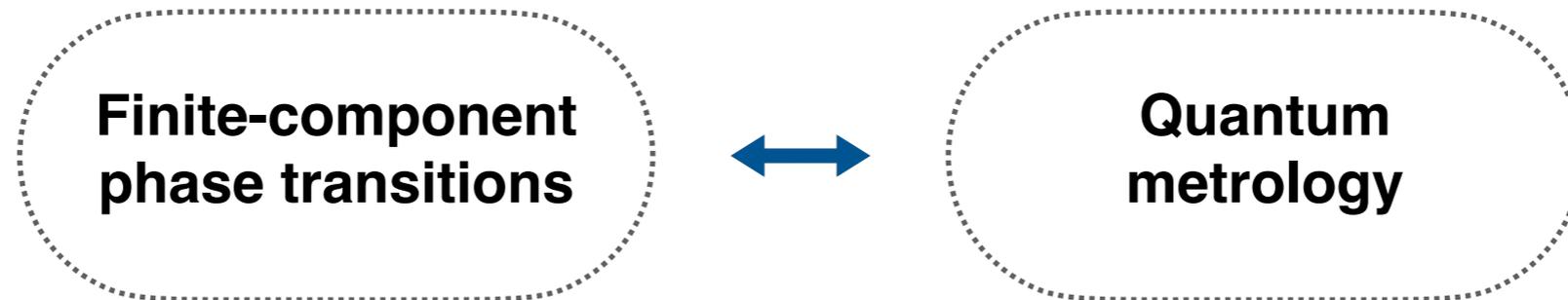
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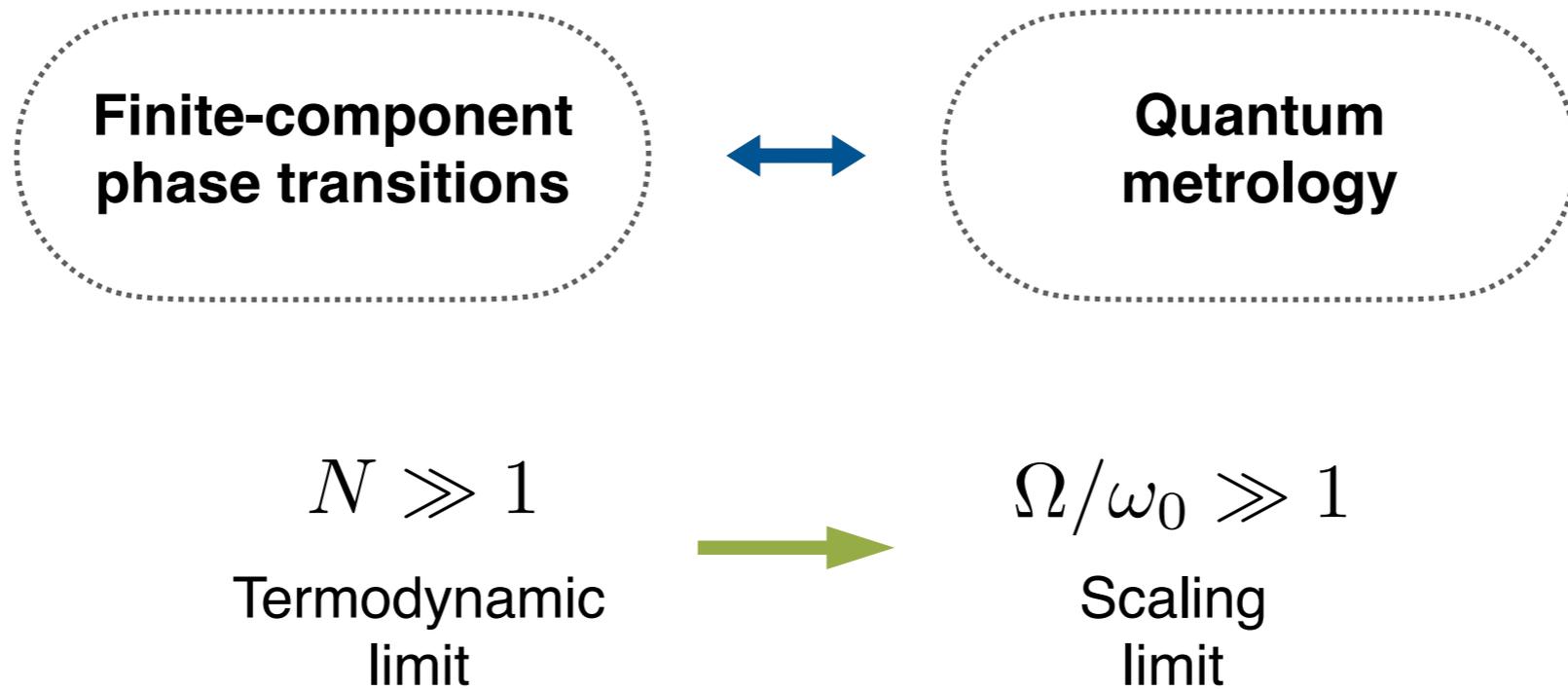
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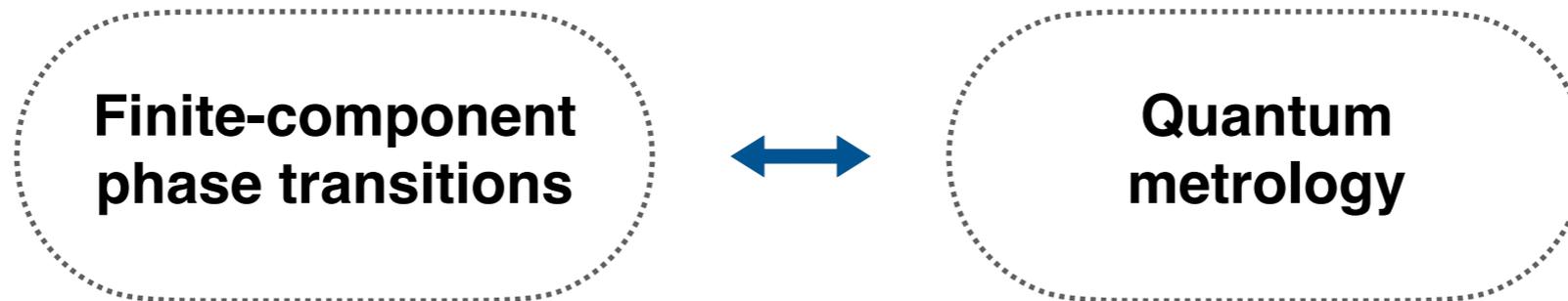
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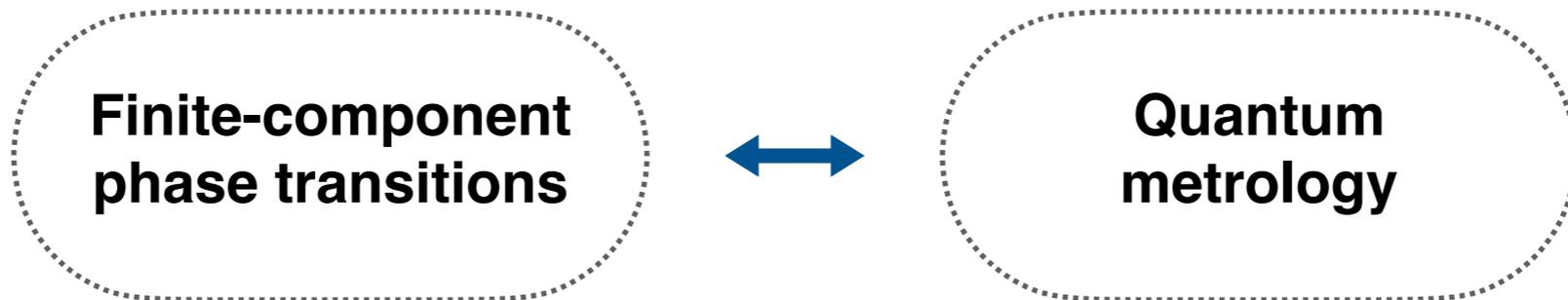


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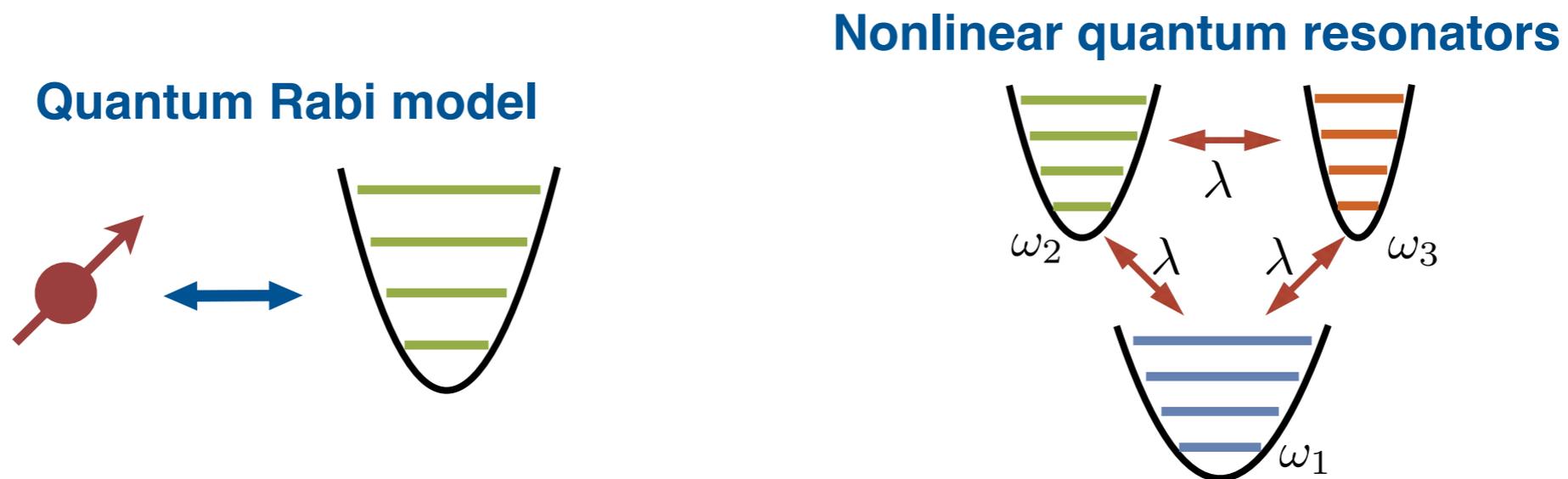
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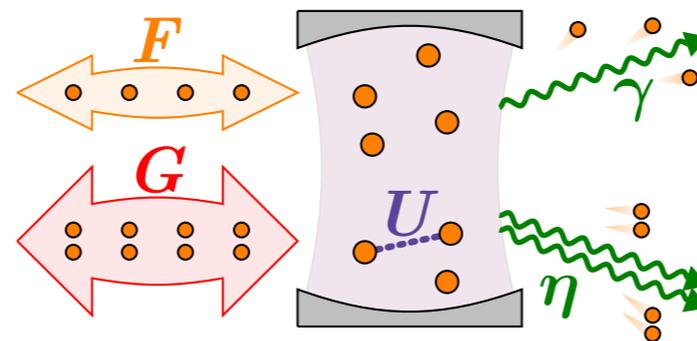
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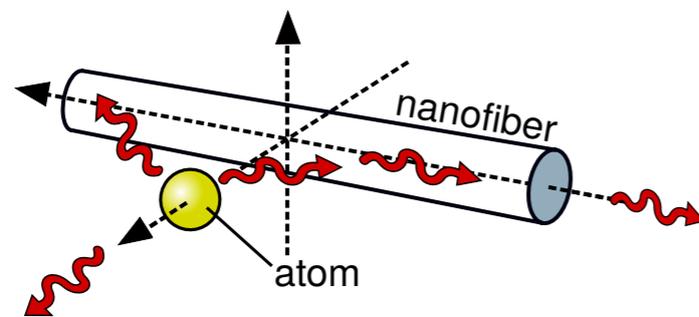
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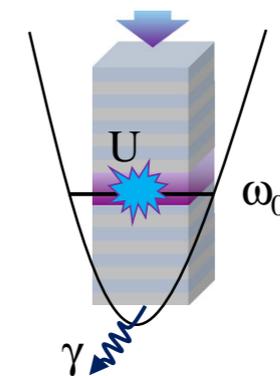
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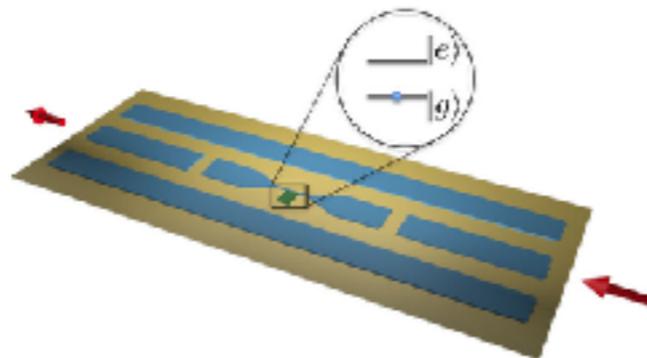
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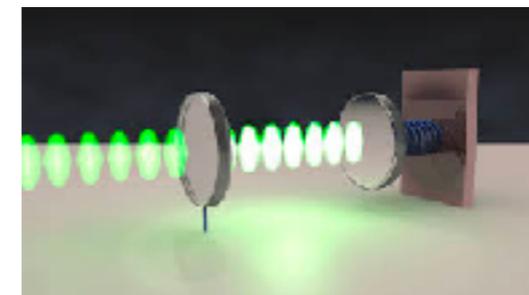
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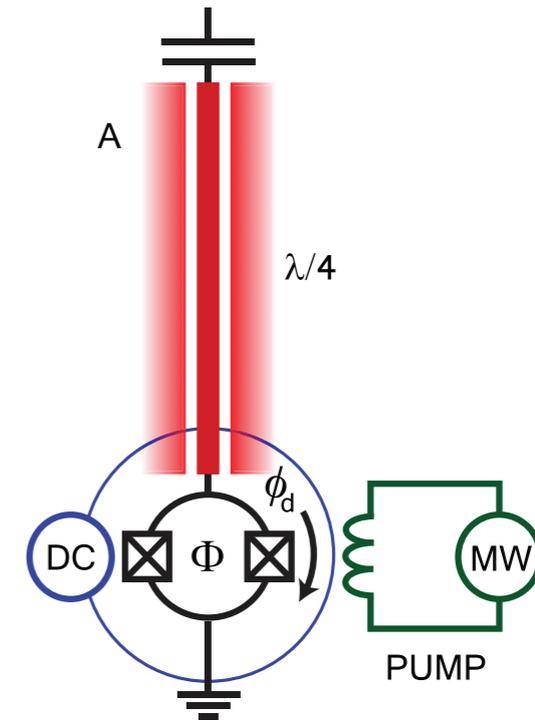
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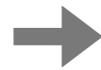
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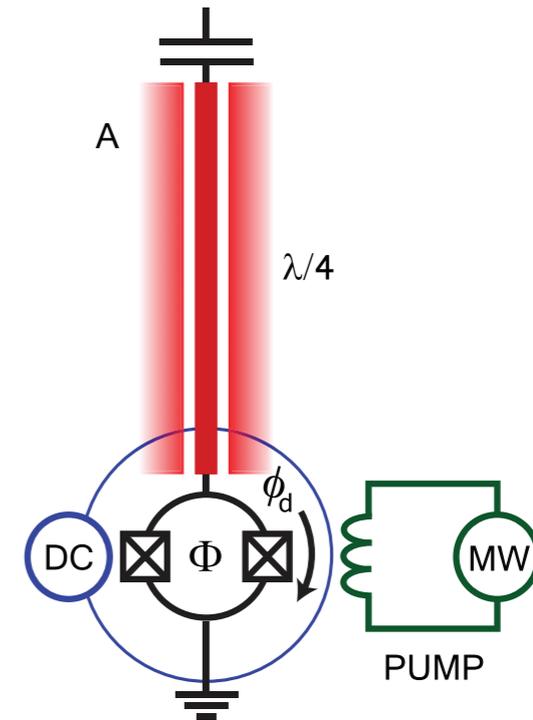
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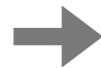
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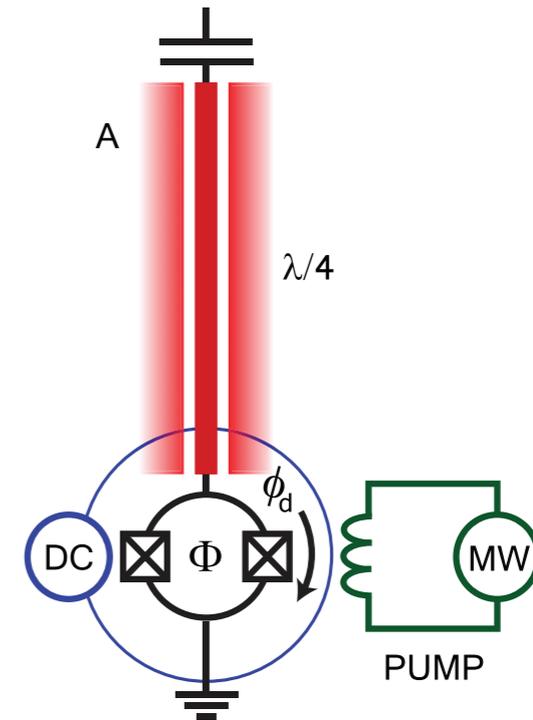
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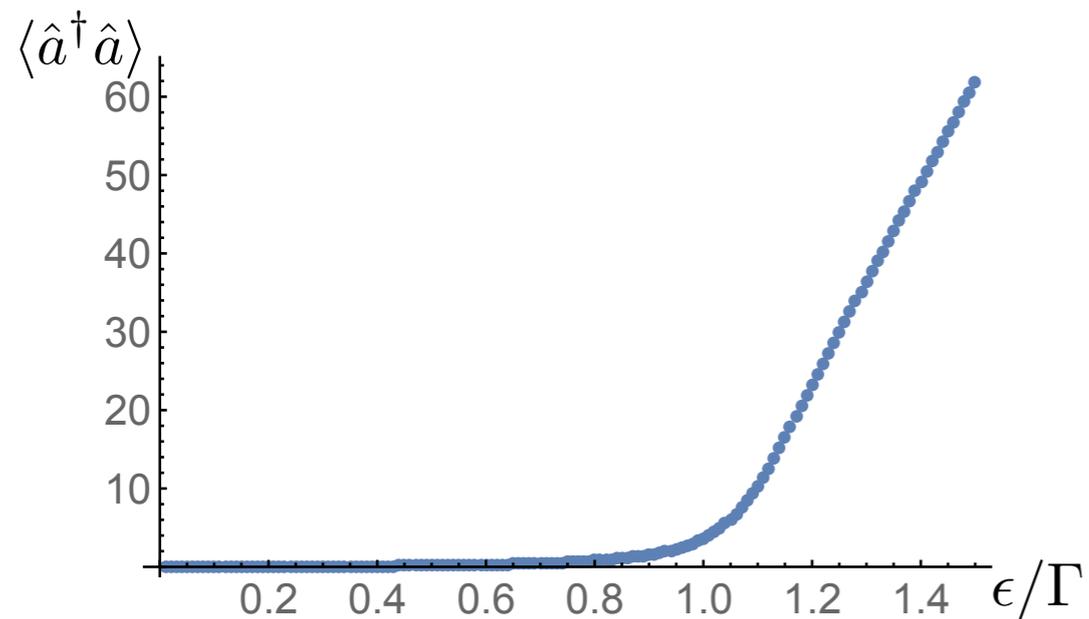
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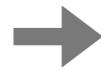
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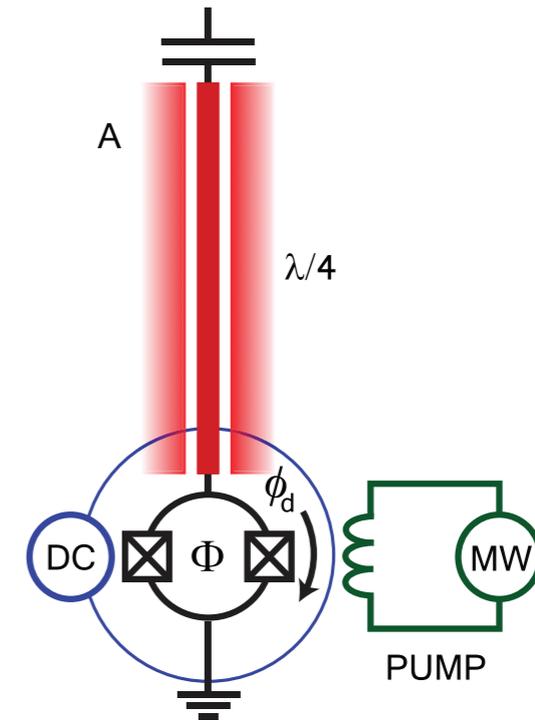
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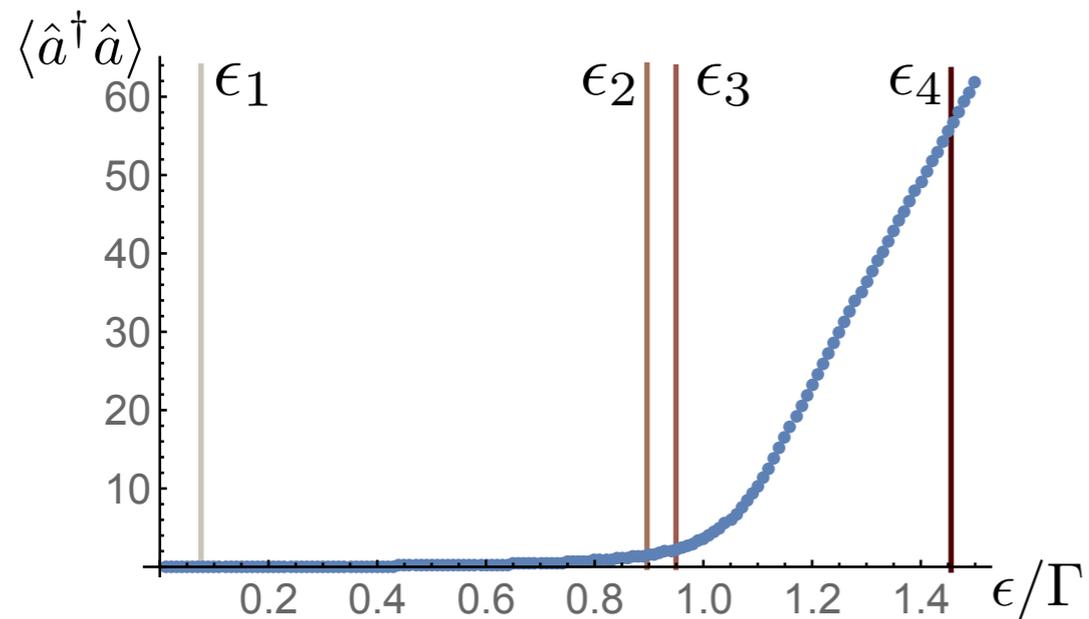
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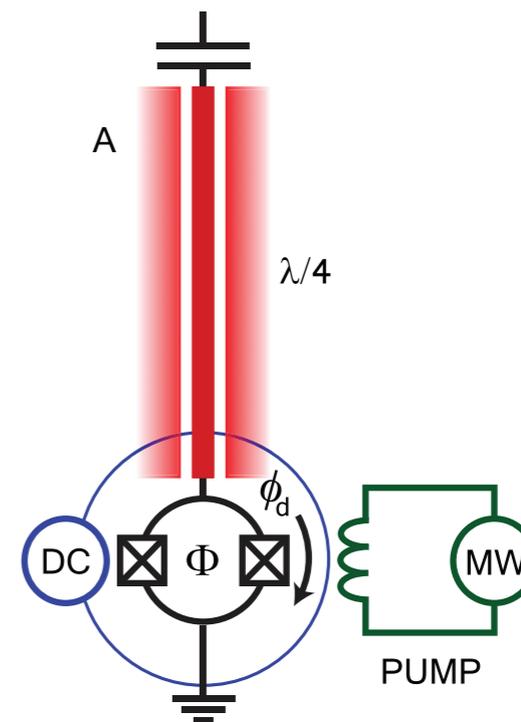
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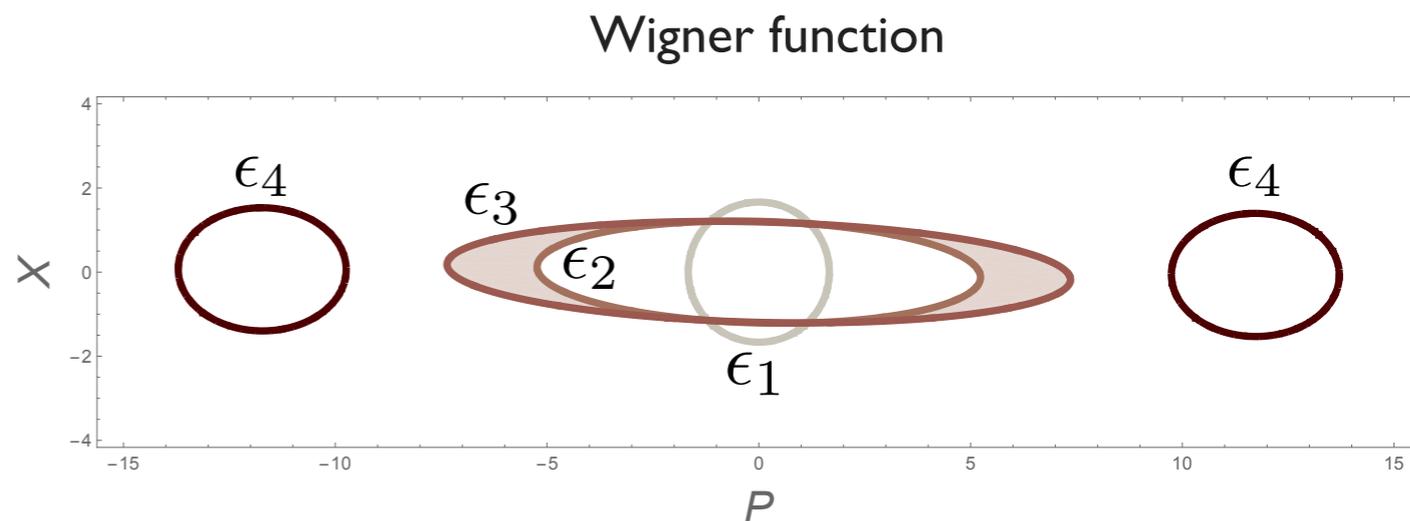
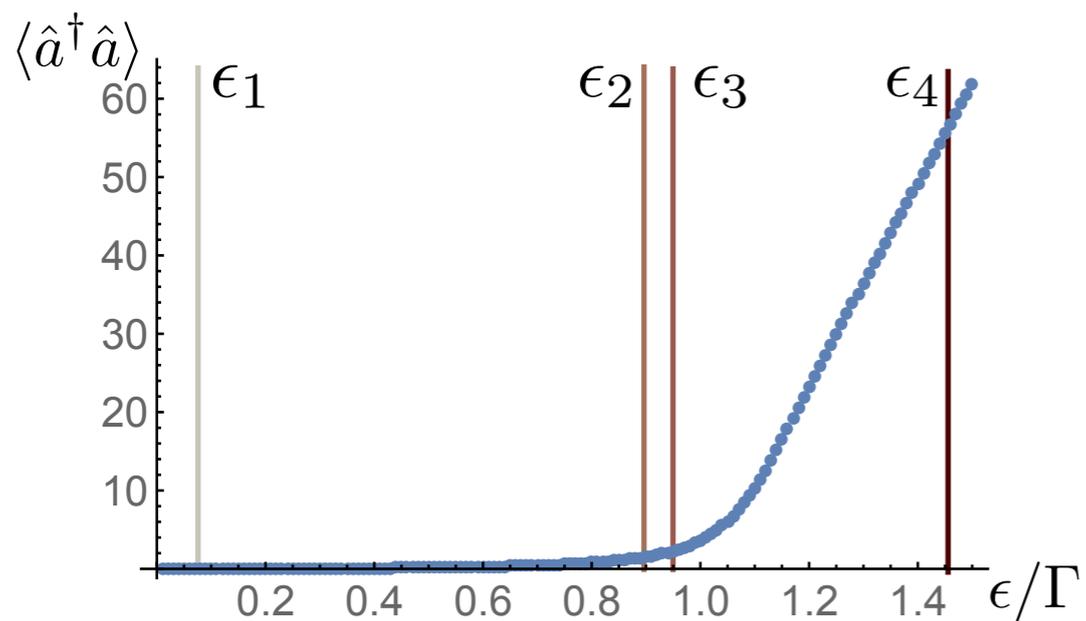
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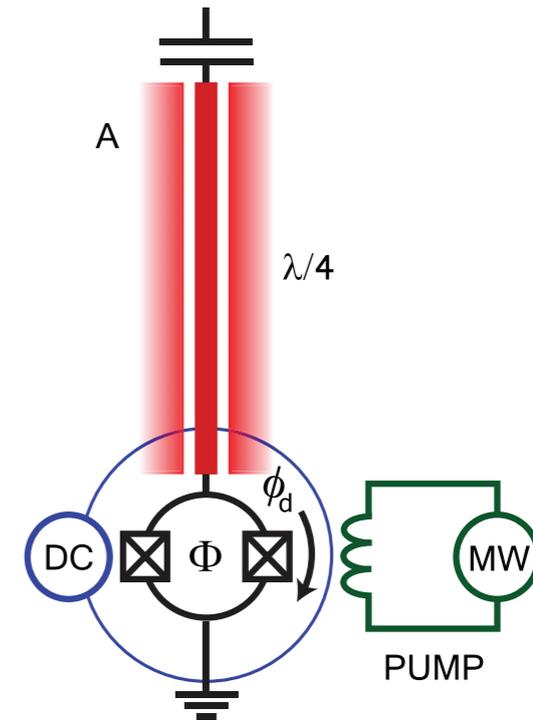
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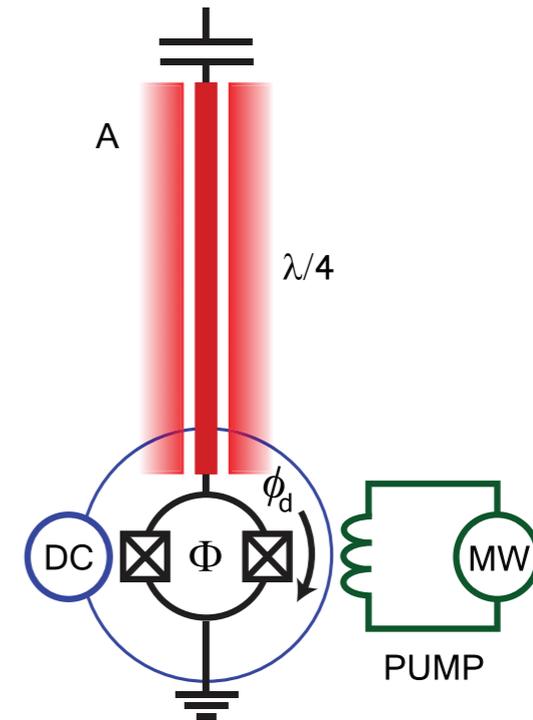
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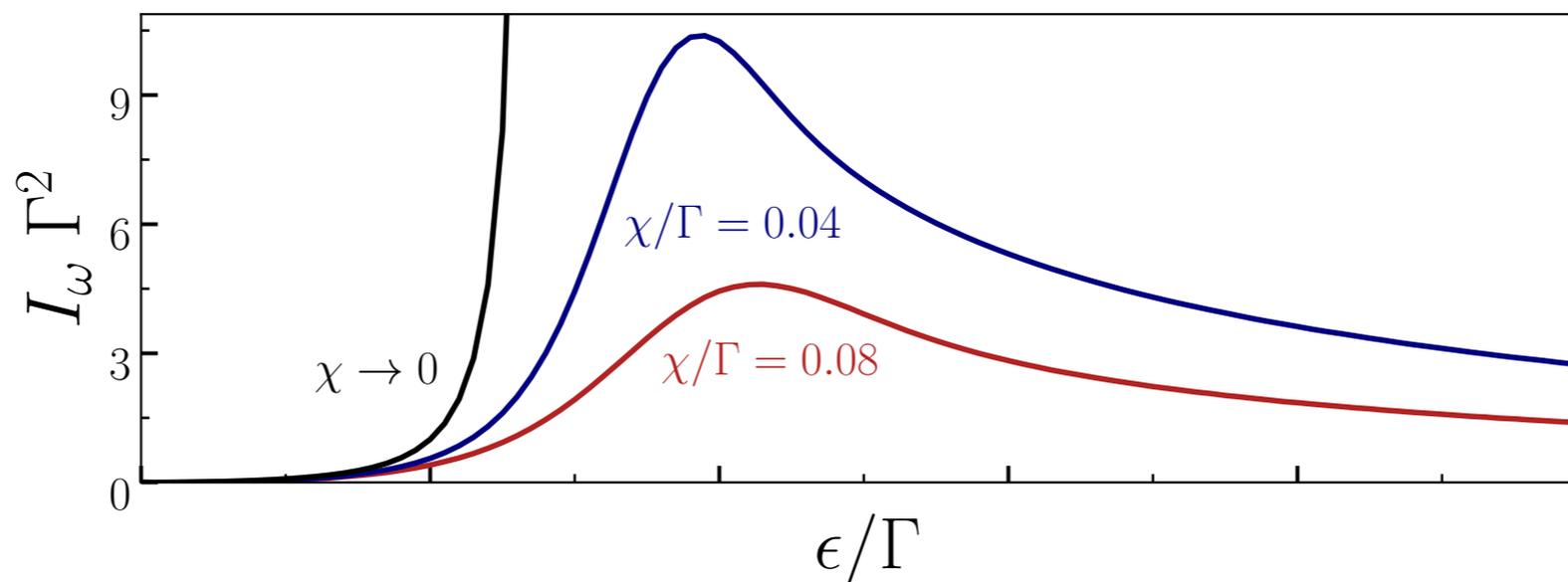
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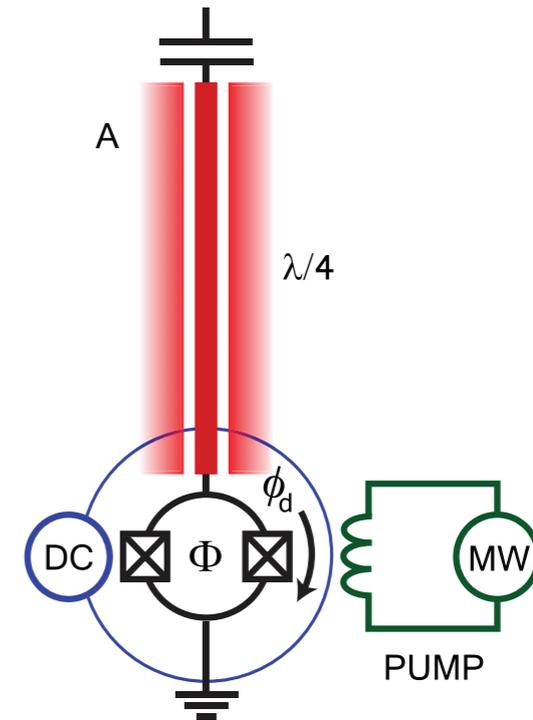
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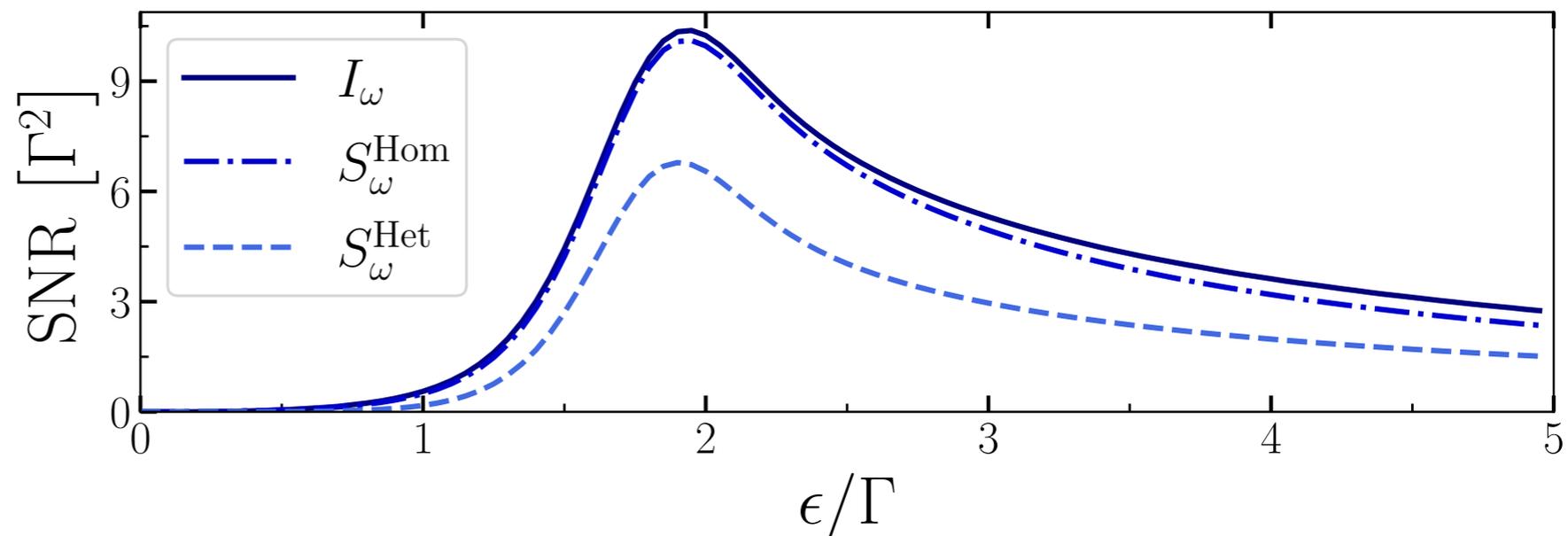
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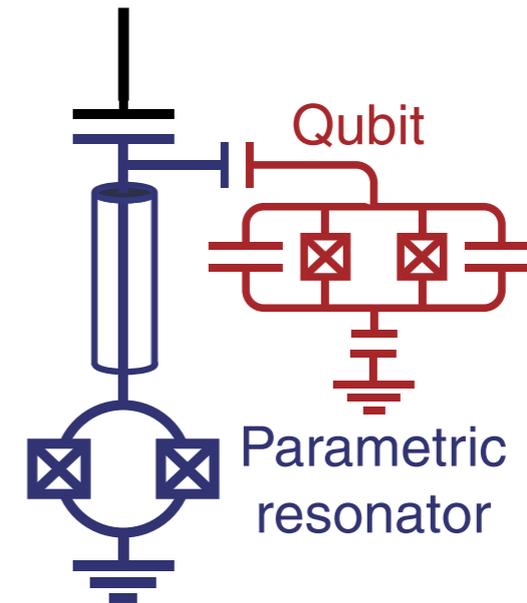
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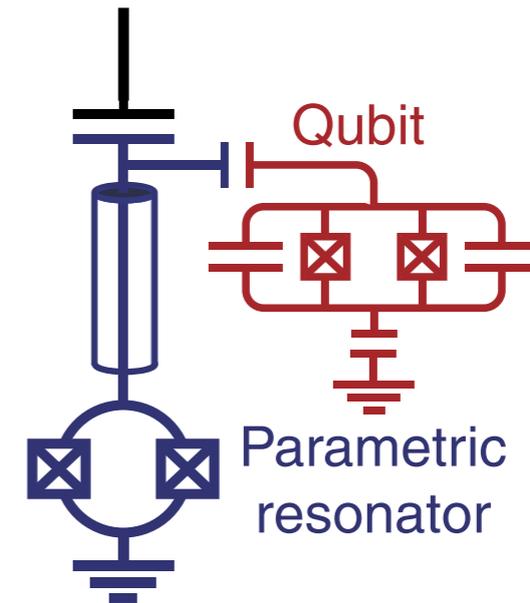
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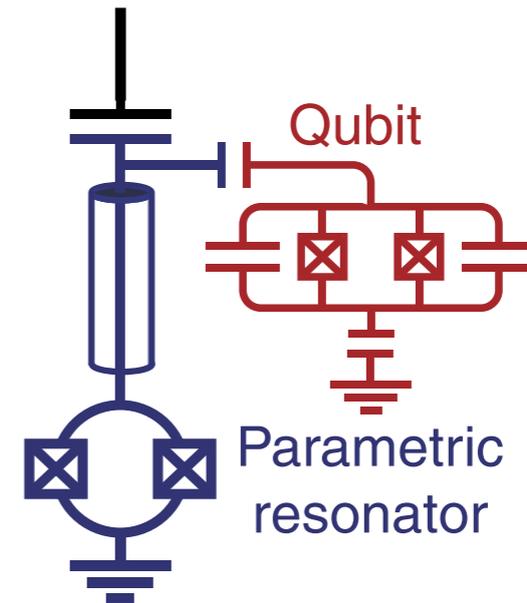
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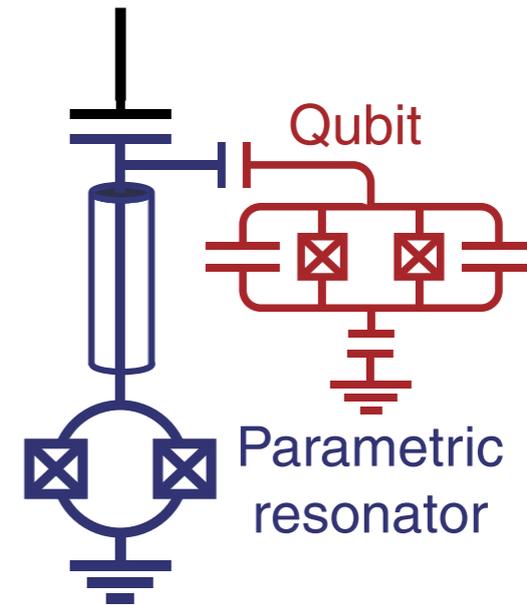
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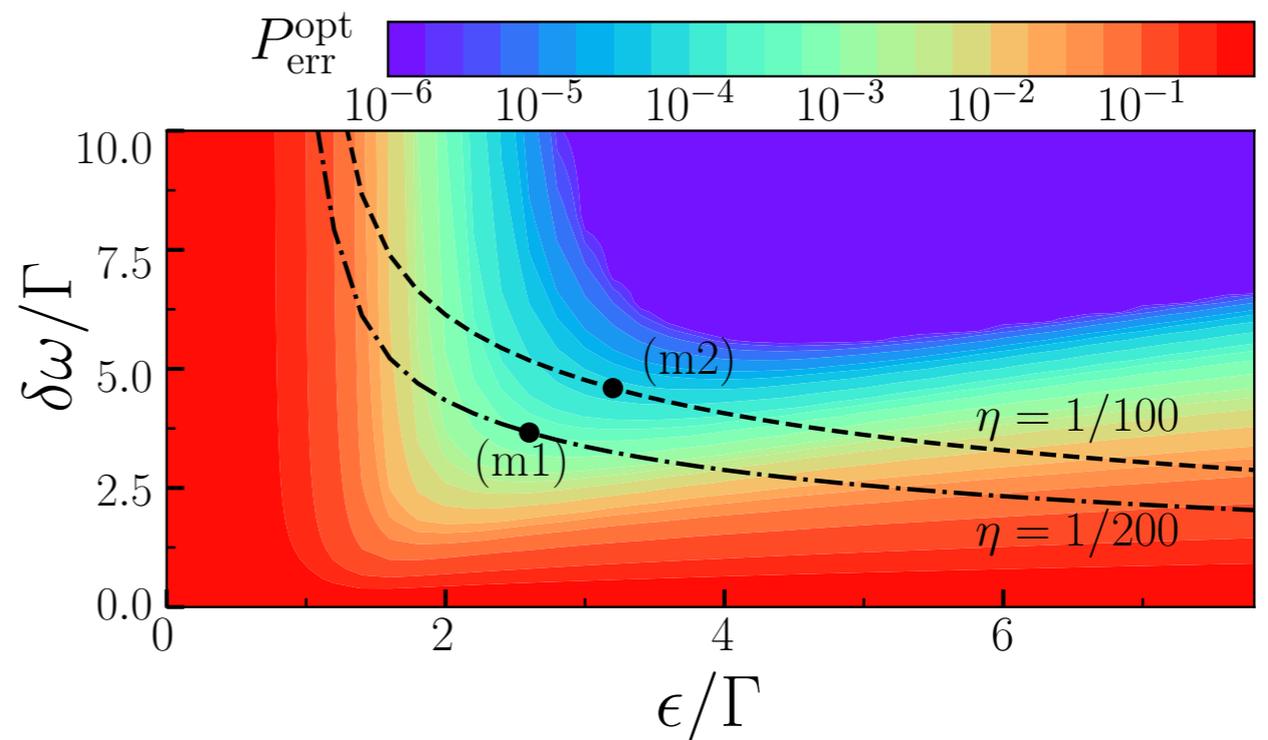
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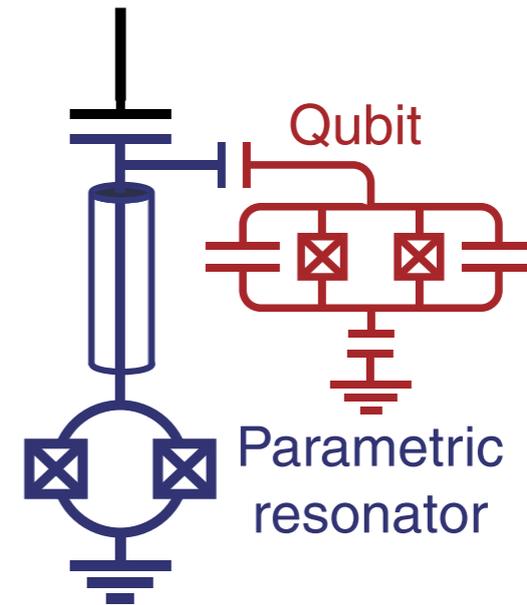
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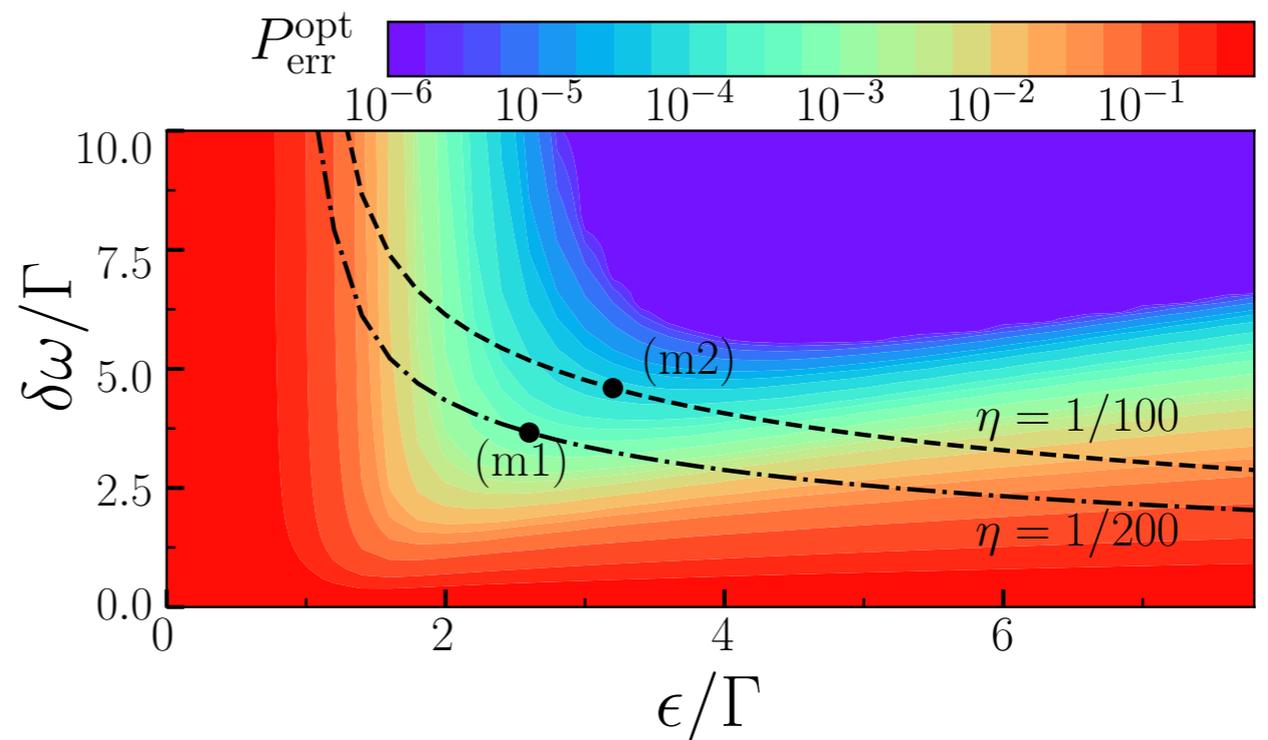
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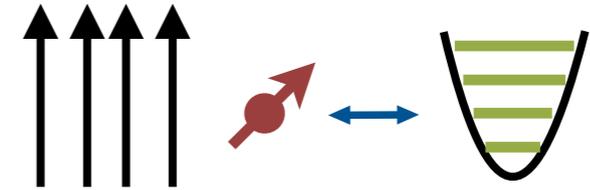
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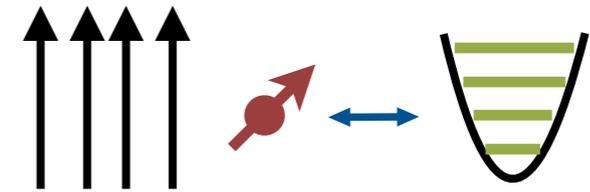
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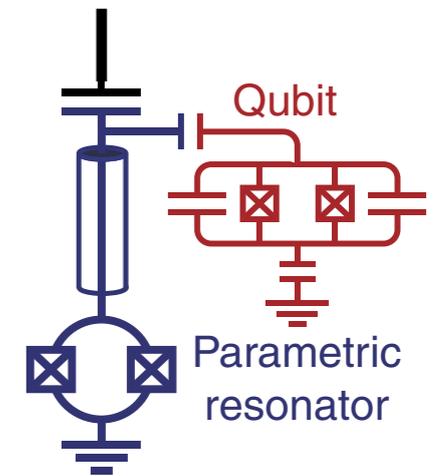


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