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# DIGITAL QUANTUM COMPUTING FOR COLLECTIVE NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS

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#### **Motivation and physics**





### OUTLINE





- Neutrinos are **messengers of information** of physics under extreme conditions 0
- Neutrinos influence the supernovae explosion 0
  - Efficient energy transport away from the shock region (neutrino burst)
  - Energy deposition to revive the stalled shock (explosion)
- Weak interaction process, electron capture,  $\beta$  decay are **flavor-dependent** 0

• 
$$p + e^- \longrightarrow n + \nu_e$$

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$$p \longrightarrow n + e^+ + \nu_e$$

**Spectral splits** can happen at some distance from the emission sphere



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# WHY WE CARE ABOUT SUPERNOVAE NEUTRINOS



#### Janka et al. (2007)





## **NEUTRINOS FROM CORE-COLLAPSE SUPERNOVAE**



• Massive stars  $M \ge 8 M_{\odot}$  explode releasing a huge amount of energy and neutrinos  $\sim 10^{58}$ 

Flavor Hamiltonian of many-neutrino system

$$H = H_{vac} + H_{\nu e} + H_{\nu \nu}$$
  
Vacuum:  
MSW:  $\nu \nu$ -interaction:

Mass eigenstates  $\neq$ flavor eigenstates

Scattering with matter Forward

scattering









# TWO-FLAVOR HAMILTONIAN (SU(2) MODEL)

$$H = \frac{H_{vac}}{V_{vv}} + \frac{H_{vv}}{V_{vv}}$$

1-body term  

$$H_{vac} = \Delta \sum_{i=1}^{N} \vec{b} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_i$$

$$H_{\nu\nu} = \frac{\mu}{N} \sum_{i < j}^{N} J_{ij} \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j$$

- The flavor state of a neutrino is a **flavor isospin**  $|\nu\rangle = \alpha |\nu_e\rangle + \beta |\nu_x\rangle$ 0
- Rewrite the model using the  $\mathfrak{Su}(2)$  algebra 0



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• Evolved state 
$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-iHt} |\psi_0\rangle$$

• 
$$\langle \nu_e | Z | \nu_e \rangle = 1$$
 and  $\langle \nu_x | Z | \nu_x \rangle = -1$ 

Measure the probability to be in the inverted flavor 0 as a function of time

$$P_{inv}^{(i)}(t) = \frac{|\langle Z_i(0) \rangle - \langle Z_i(t) \rangle|}{2}$$



### QUANTUM ALGORITHM

A quantum algorithm is a **unitary transformation** from an initial qubit state into a final one  $U: |\psi\rangle \mapsto |\psi'\rangle = U |\psi\rangle$ 



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A QC can store an exponential amount of information without an exponentially large amount of resources and can predict the time evolution of a many-body quantum system naturally taking into account all quantum features.



### INGREDIENTS FOR HAMILTONIAN SIMULATION



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• 
$$\mathscr{H}_{neutrinos} = \mathscr{H}_{qubits} = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes n}$$

- Two-flavor approximation  $|\nu\rangle = \alpha |\nu_e\rangle + \beta |\nu_x\rangle$
- Qubit state  $|\nu\rangle = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$
- N neutrinos encoded into N qubits



- Quantum gate decomposition
- Exponential number of operations in general...
  - we need to optimize it!



# DIGITAL QC: MACHINE AWARE COMPILATION

#### • Different **qubit**

- Superconductive circuit
- Trapped ions
- Different universal gate set
  - Circuit optimization
  - More control on what we are running
- Different qubit **connectivity** 
  - Linear
  - All to all
  - Etc...

Trapped ions are perfect for the collective neutrino problem

$$H_{\nu\nu} = \frac{\mu}{N} \sum_{i < j}^{N} J_{ij} \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j$$





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Honeywell Quantum

IBM Quantum



#### Rigetti Quantum



#### LLNL testbed



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# RESULTS



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Flavor dynamics is crucial to 0 describe many effects in corecollapse supernovae

neutrino oscillations

## OUTLINE

 QC necessary for full dynamics simulation of collective

- Results are very promising 0
- We can increase the number 0 of simulated neutrinos



# **THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

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