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Quantum enhanced optimization and machine learning

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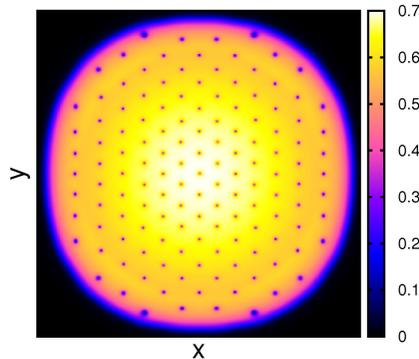
Ph.D. program in Quantum Technologies

Inauguration

Naples, February 8th 2019

ultracold gases

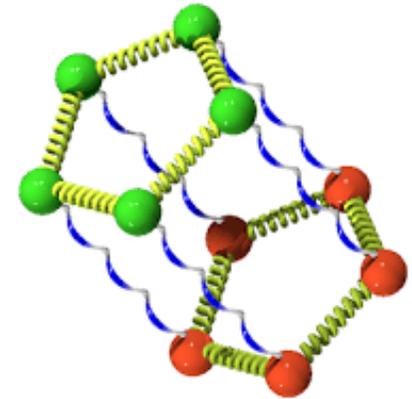
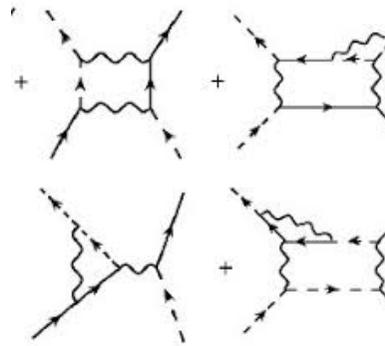
BEC-BCS crossover, quantum magnetism, Anderson localization



Simonucci, Pieri, Strinati, Nature Physics (2015)

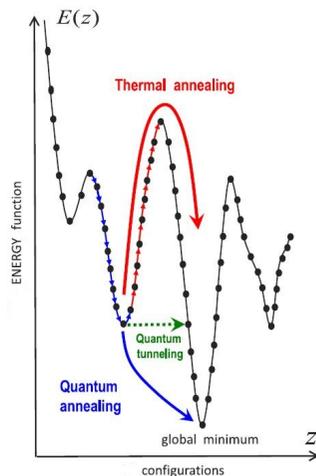
Computational quantum many-body physics

Feynman diagrams, quantum Monte Carlo simulations, Bogoliubov-de Gennes eq.



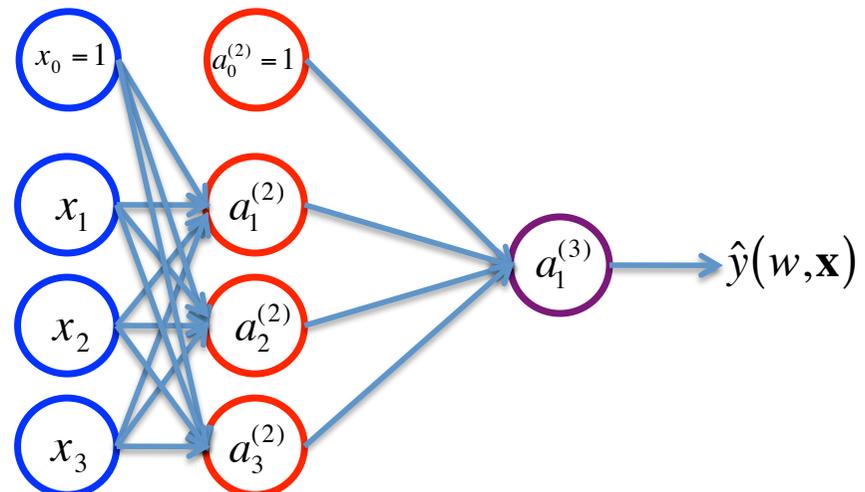
quantum enhanced optimization

quantum annealing, stochastic optimization, etc..



machine learning

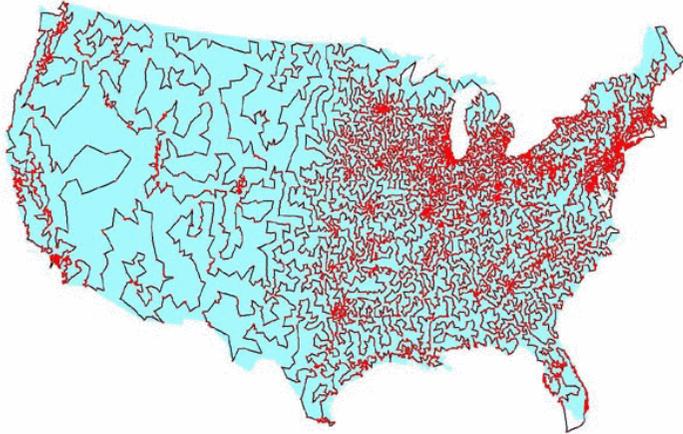
ML for quantum systems, protein-molecule binding, booking engines (6tour.com)



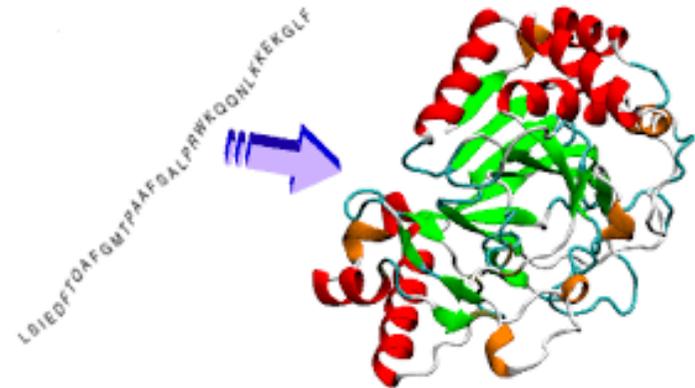
**Can quantum effects help us in solving
complex optimization problems?**

Optimization Problems

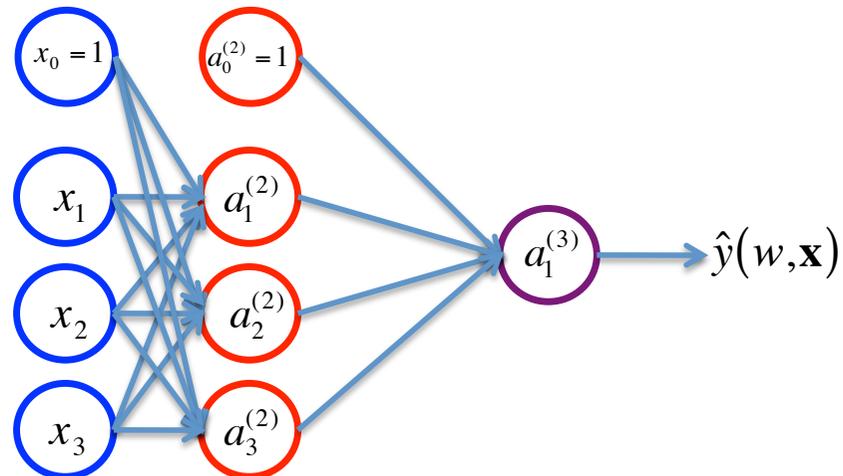
Traveling salesman problem



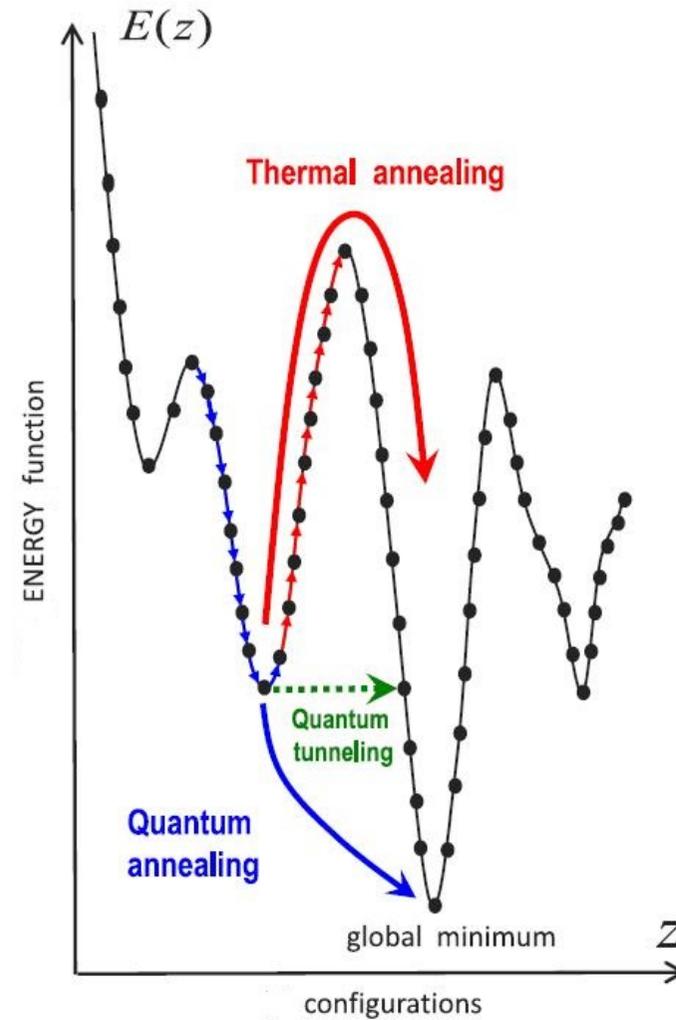
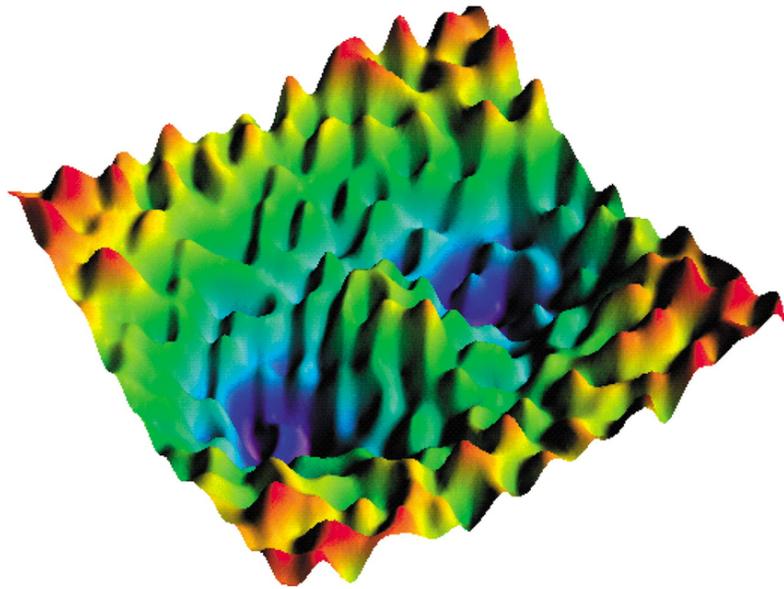
Protein Folding



Training neural networks



Simulated (Classical) Annealing vs Quantum Annealing

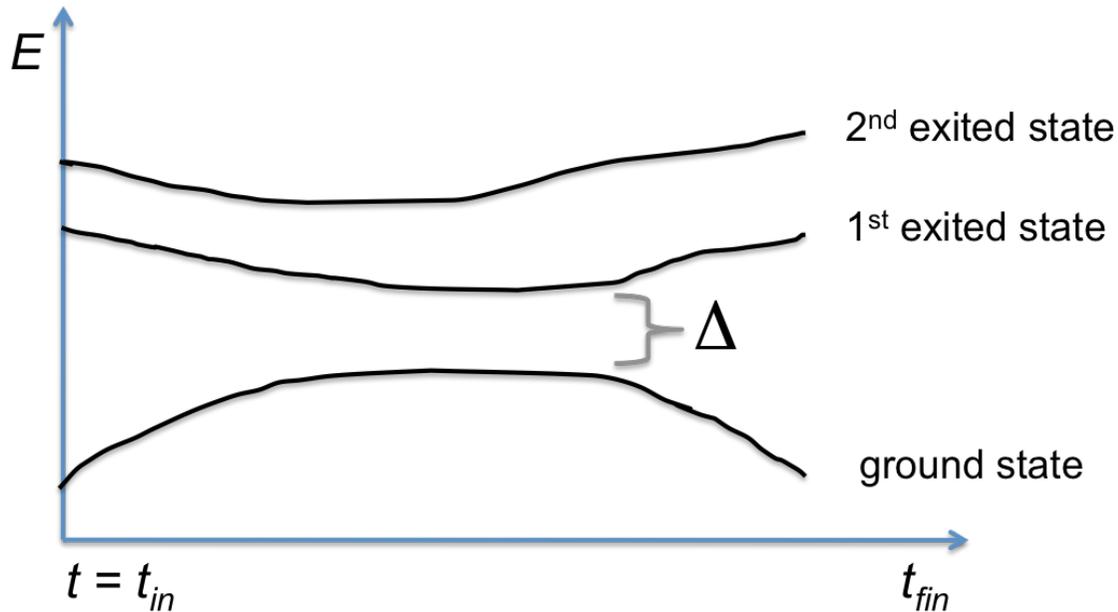


Adiabatic quantum computing: Quadratic Unconstrained Binary Optimization

$$H_{\text{cl}} = -\sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - \sum_i h_i \sigma_i^z \quad \sigma_i^z = \pm 1 \quad \text{Ising glass: finding the ground state is a hard problem}$$

$$H_{\text{tot}} = H_{\text{cl}} + H_{\text{kin}}$$

$$H_{\text{kin}} = -\Gamma(t) \sum_i \sigma_i^x \quad \text{introduce quantum fluctuations}$$



How slow?
Adiabatic theorem:

$$t_{\text{fin}} \gg \frac{\alpha}{\Delta^2}$$

$\Delta \equiv$ smallest gap

$$\Gamma(t = t_{\text{in}}) \gg J_{ij}, h_i$$

$$\Gamma(t = t_{\text{fin}}) = 0$$

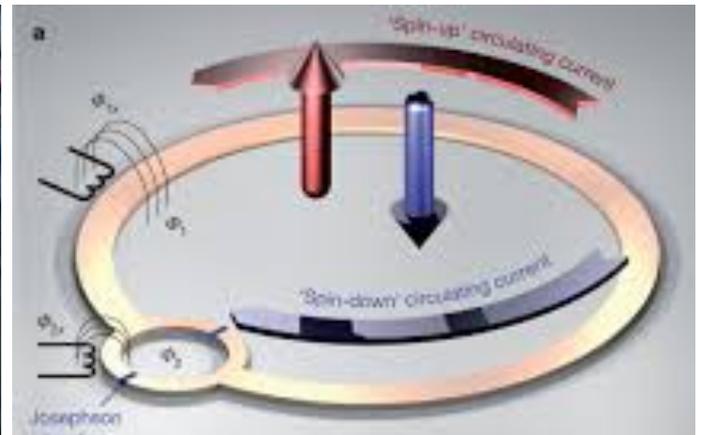
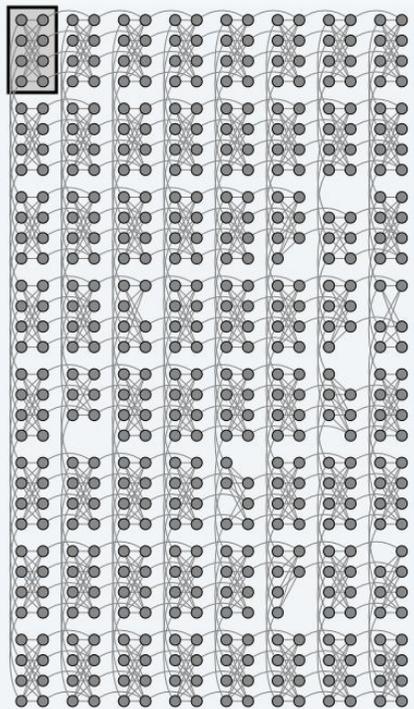


Quantum Annealing with an adiabatic quantum computer



$$H_{\text{cl}} = -\sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - \sum_i h_i \sigma_i^z \quad H_{\text{kin}} = -\Gamma(t) \sum_{ij} \sigma_i^x$$

E.g., linear schedule: $\Gamma(t) = \Gamma_0 \left(1 - \frac{t}{t_{\text{fin}}}\right)$



Can a quantum annealer like D-Wave outperform (any) classical optimization method?

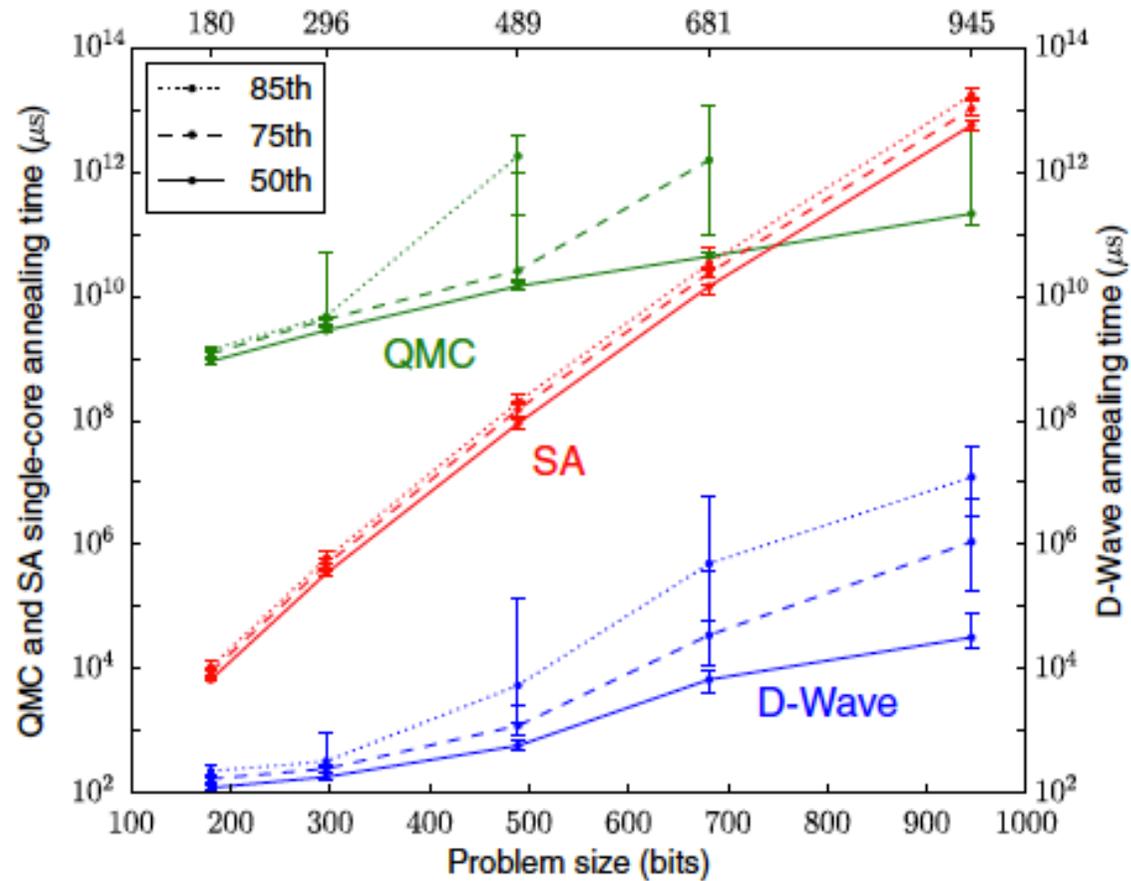
Difficult to answer: one cannot simulate the (unitary) dynamics using classical computers (computational times scales exponentially)

QUESTIONS:

Can quantum Monte Carlo algorithms simulate quantum annealers?

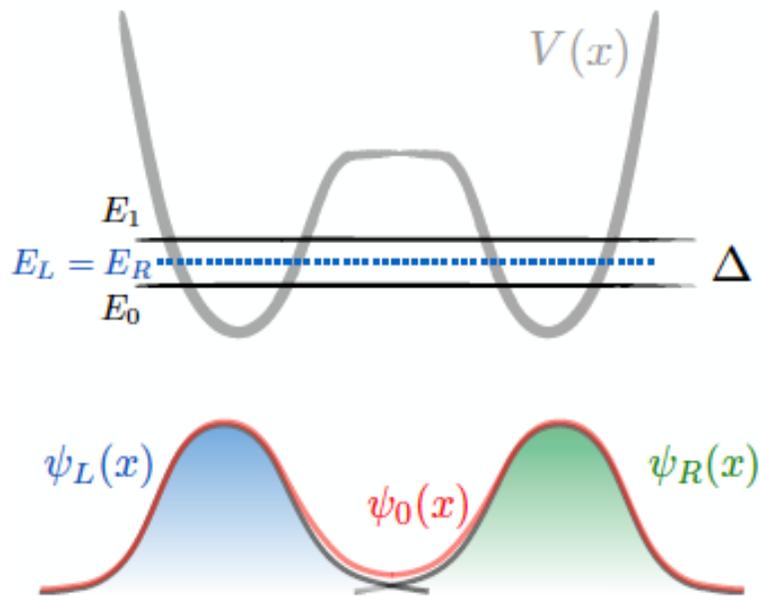
Can we use quantum Monte Carlo simulations to solve complex optimization problems?

D-Wave versus Classical Simulated Annealing (SA) and Simulated Quantum Annealing (QMC)



Denchev, Boixo, Isakov, Ding, Babbush, Smelyanskiy, Martinis, Neven, PRX 2016

Tunneling in a double-well problem



$\psi_0 \equiv$ ground state w.f.

$\psi_1 \equiv$ 1st excited state

$$\psi_L \equiv \frac{\psi_0 - \psi_1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \psi_R \equiv \frac{\psi_0 + \psi_1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Delta \equiv E_1 - E_0$$

Isolated system

period of coherent oscillations =

$$\xi_{\text{coh}} \propto \frac{1}{\Delta}$$

Coupling to environment:

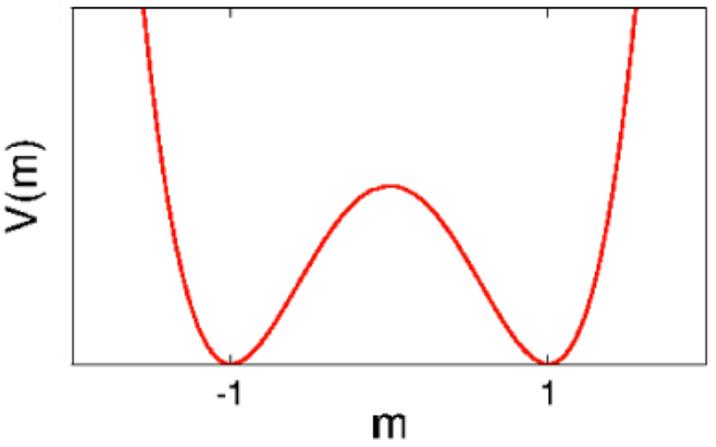
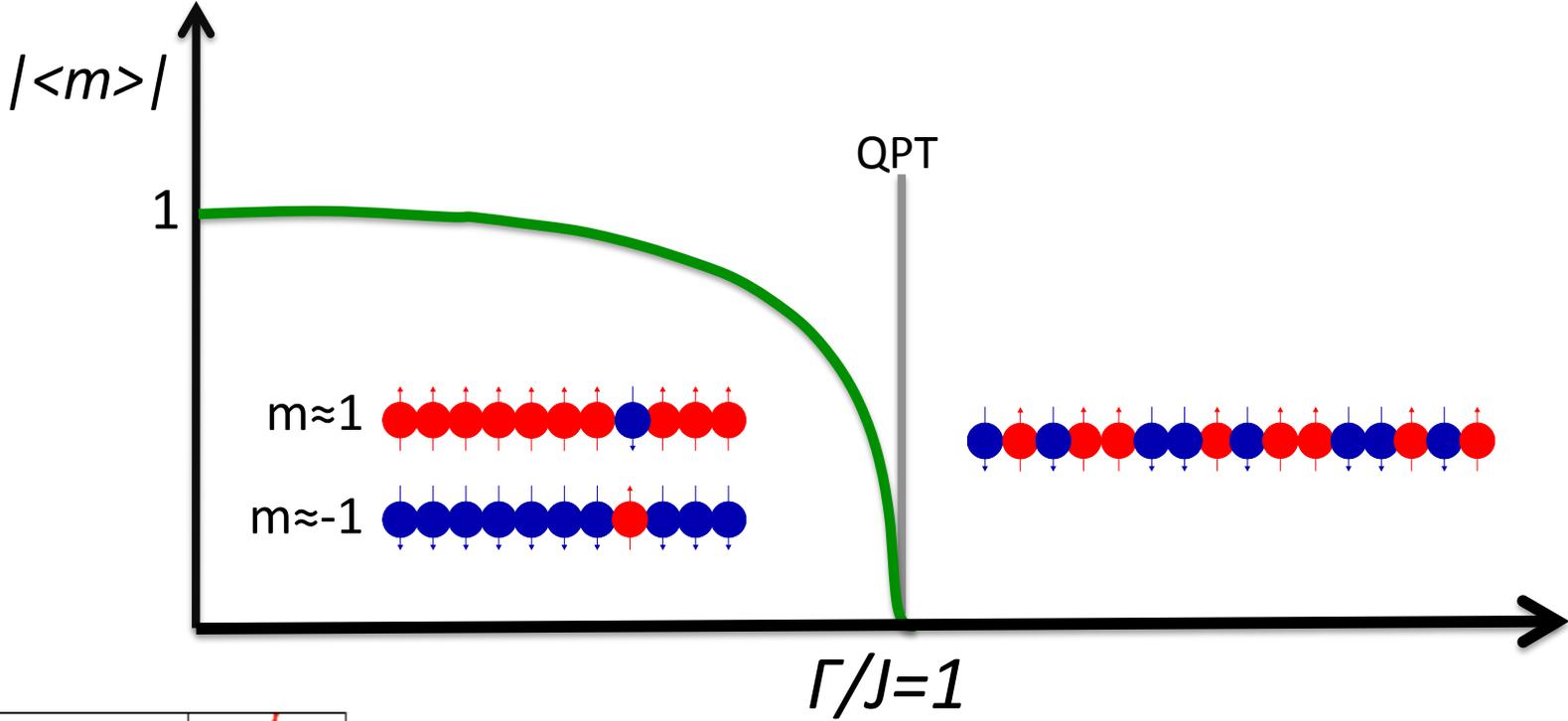
incoherent quantum tunneling time =

$$\xi_{\text{incoh}} \propto \frac{1}{\Delta^2}$$

Adiabatic theorem - > annealing time to avoid diabatic transitions

$$\xi_{\text{anneal}} = \frac{\alpha}{\Delta^2}$$

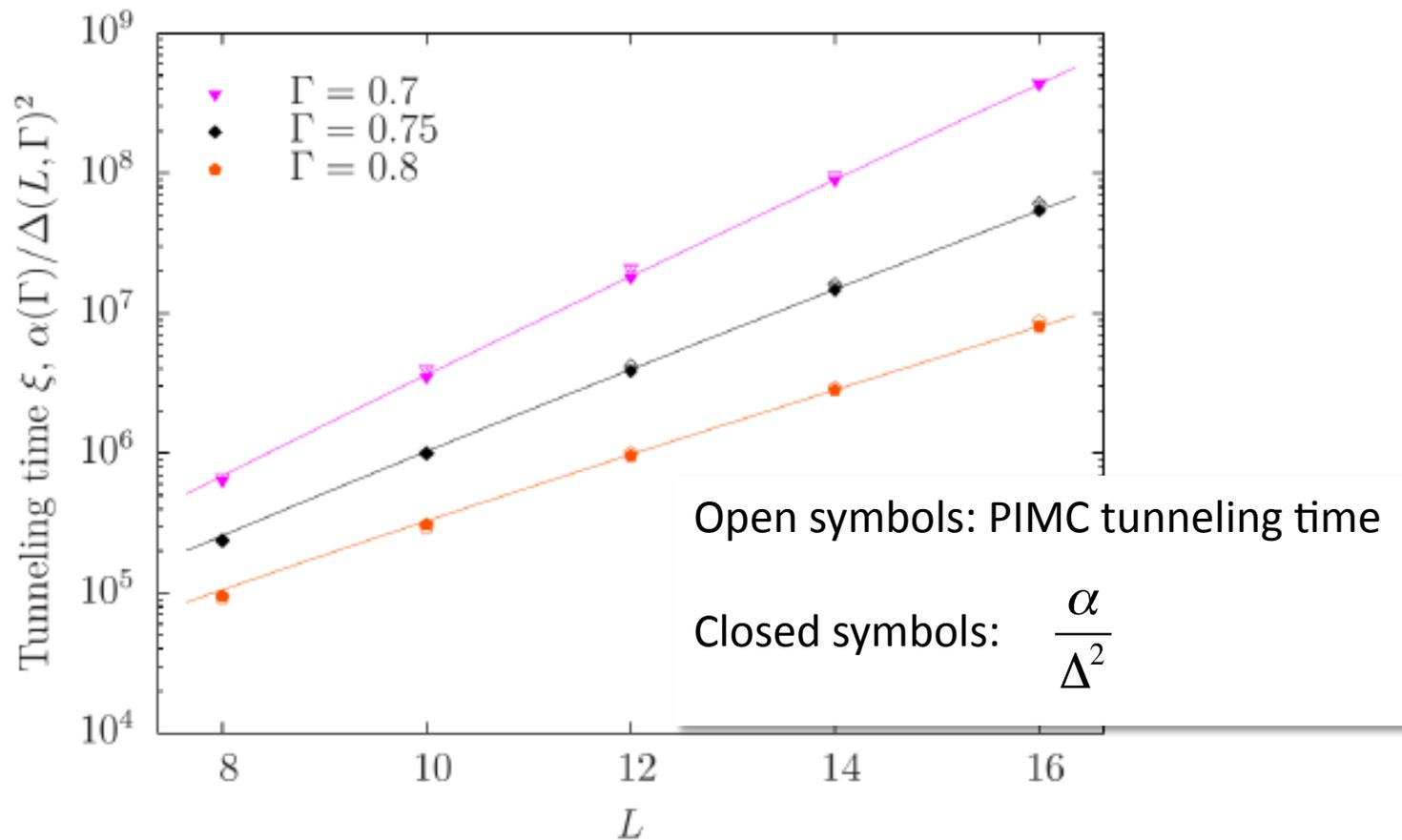
1D ferromagnetic quantum Ising model: $H_{\text{cl}} = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - \Gamma \sum_i \sigma_i^x$



exponentially small energy gap: $\Delta \propto \exp(-\alpha L)$

Quantum Monte Carlo tunneling time: Path Integral MC

Isakov, Mazzola, Smelyanskiy, Jiang, Boixo, Neven, Troyer, PRL (2016)

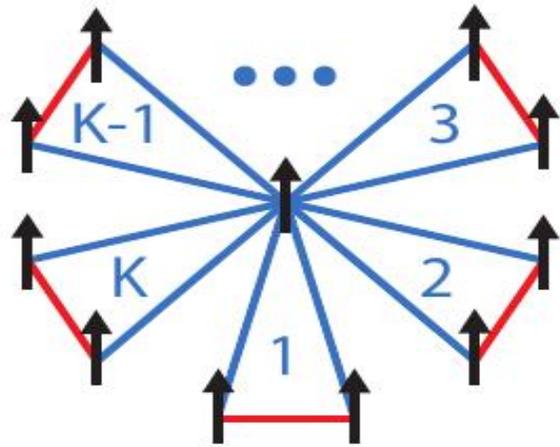


The PIMC algorithm efficiently simulates incoherent quantum tunneling (in this model).

Is this general?

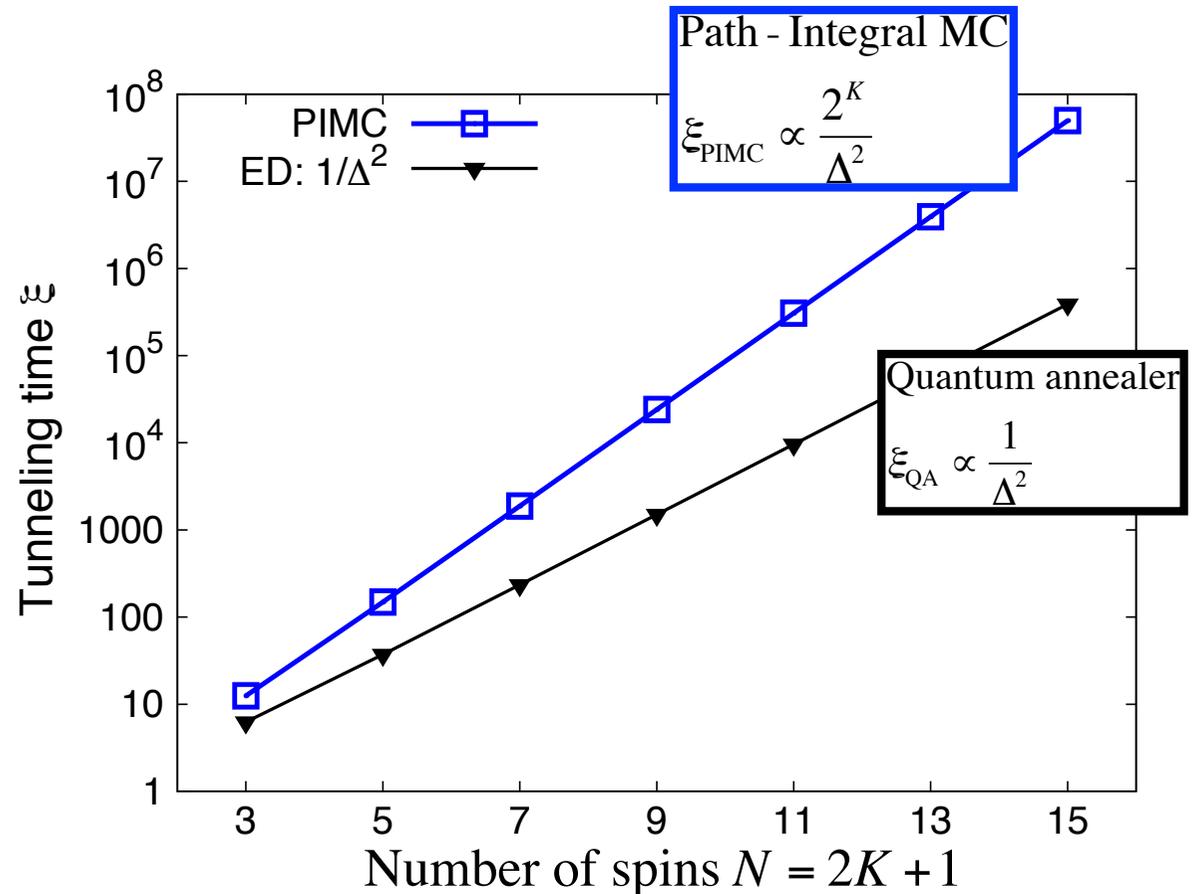
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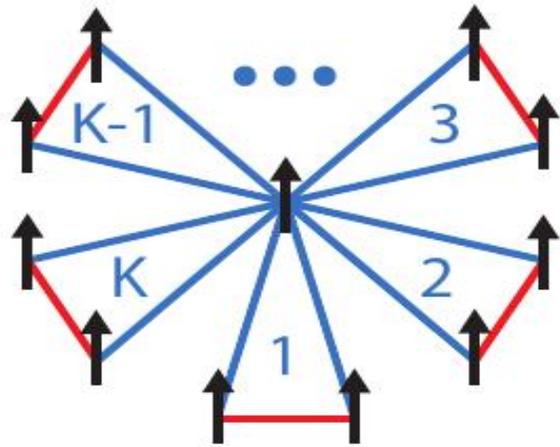
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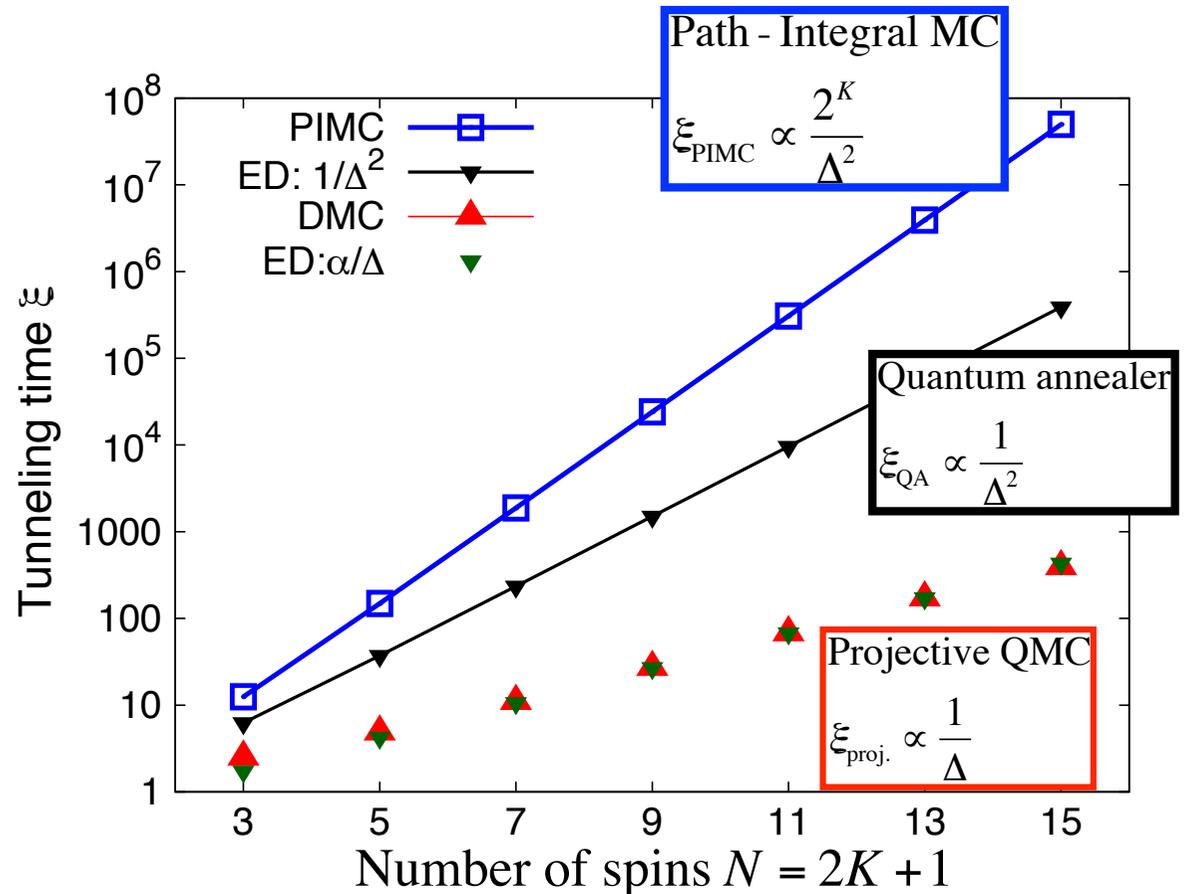
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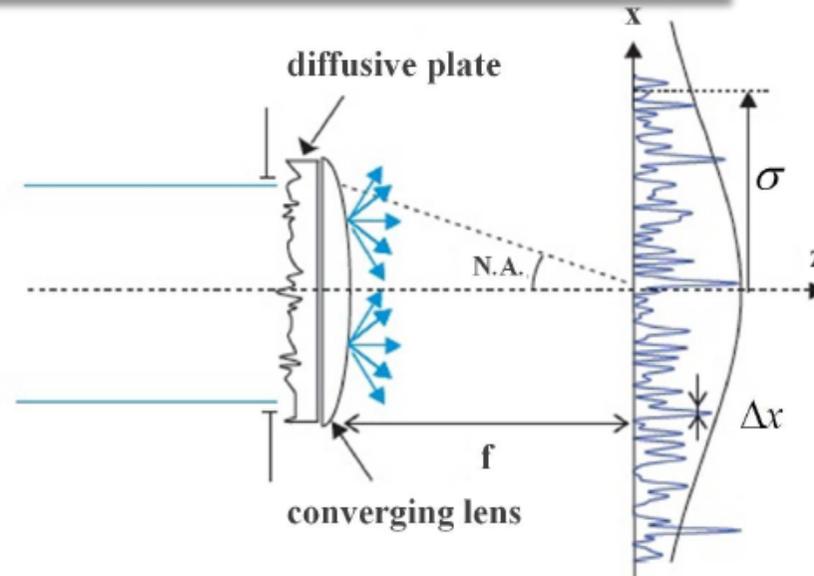


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- Projective QMC like $1/\Delta$ (i.e., “faster” than QA)

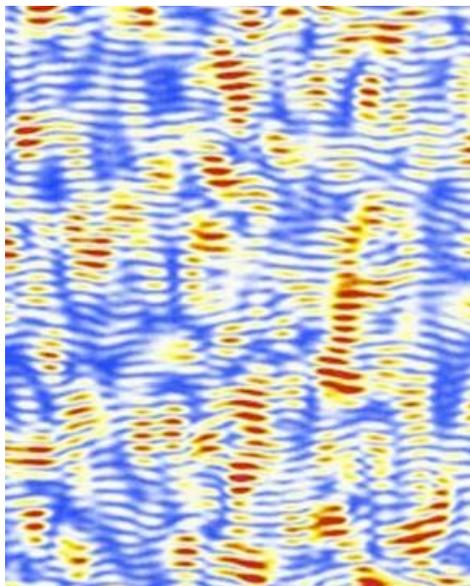
Q1: Can a machine learn to solve quantum mechanics problems from data?

Q2: Can we use experimental data to train a machine to solve quantum problems that cannot be solved using classical computers?

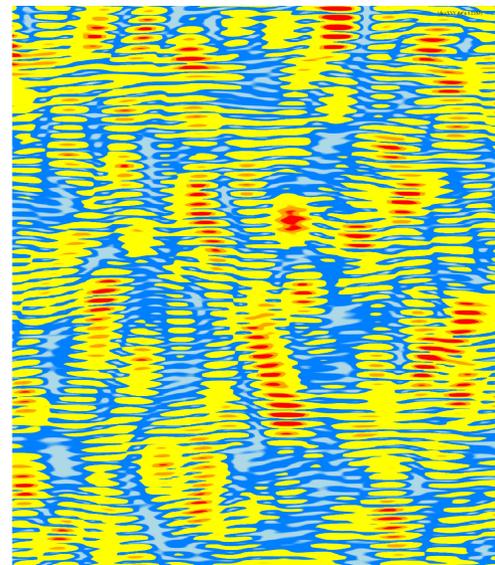
Disorder: optical speckle patterns



Exp. @ LENS

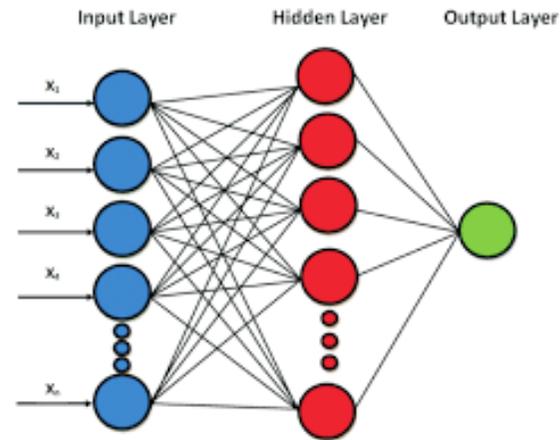
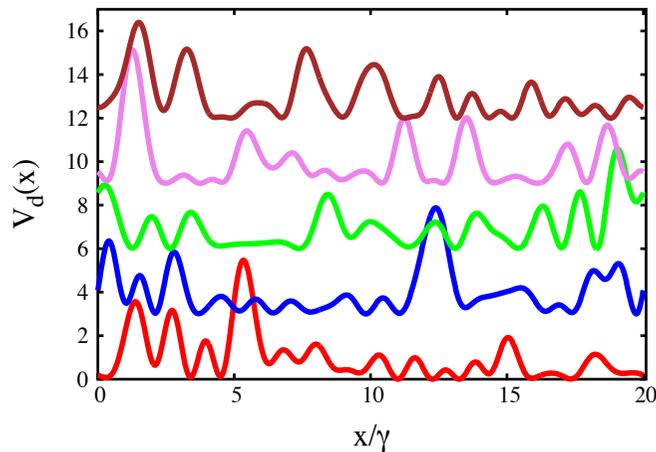


Computer Simulation

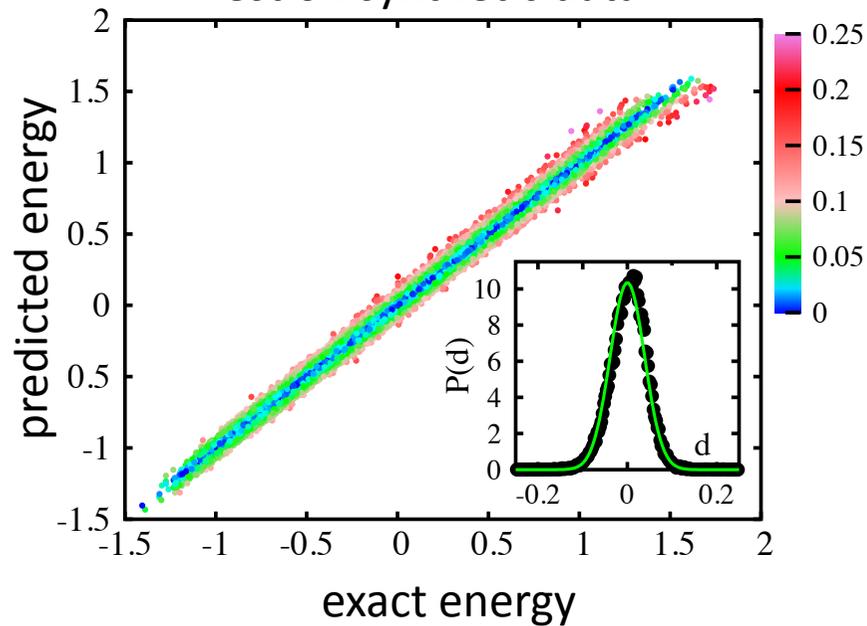


CAN WE TRAIN ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS USING EXPERIMENTAL DATA?

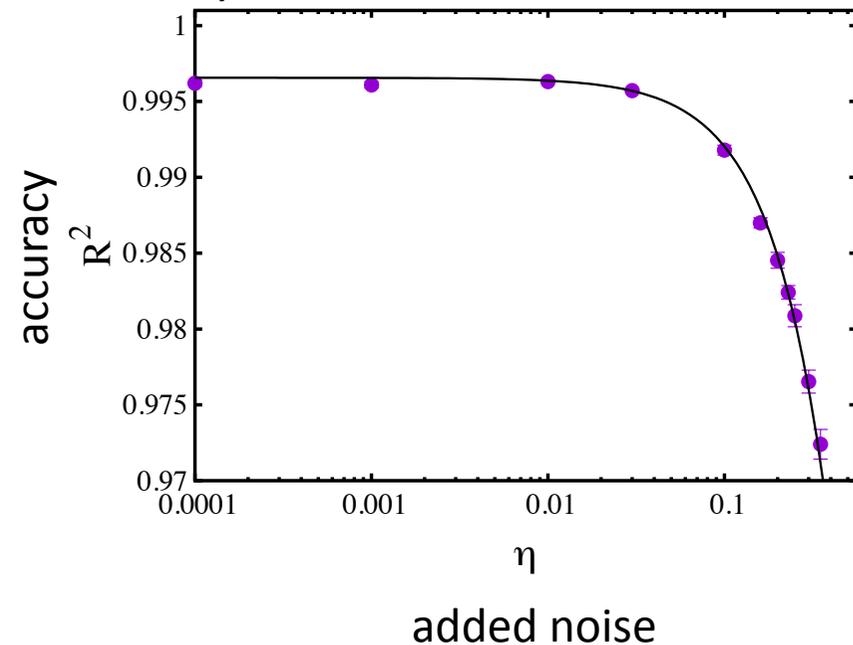
quantum particle in speckle field



Test on synthetic data



Synthetic data with added noise



(Near) Future perspective:

using **cold-atom quantum simulators** to train **artificial neural networks** to solve models that cannot be solved using **classical computers**