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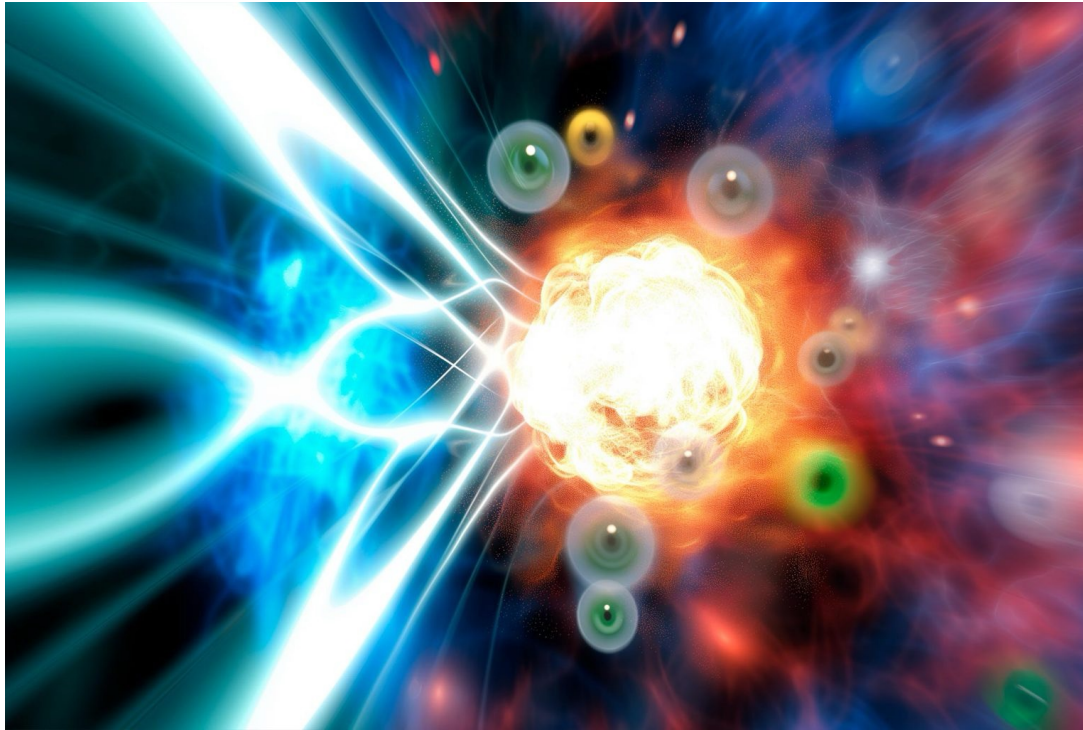


Image:
“Maximal entanglement
inside the proton”
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Traditional Cracow/Zakopane Schools

- Since **1961**, the **Cracow School of Theoretical Physics** in Zakopane has primarily focused on particle physics, gravitation, cosmology, and general relativity th-www.if.uj.edu.pl +7 .
- If you're specifically interested, the **2025 programme** explicitly includes **quantum information** in its topics—definitely worth checking out link.aps.org +1 .

Outline

- Classical and quantum states
- Quantum entanglement: from paradox to technology
- Entanglement, thermalization and quantum AI
- Real-time quantum simulations of a QFT: thermalization through a maximal entanglement
- Evidence for maximal entanglement in nuclear/high energy physics

Statistics of classical states

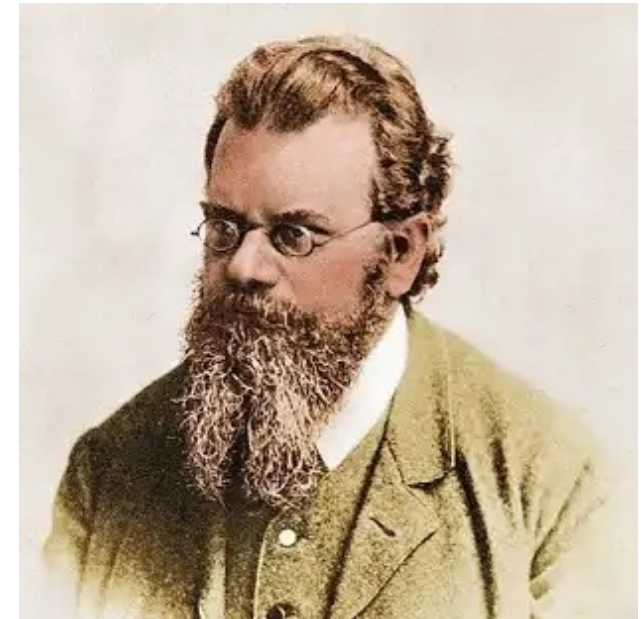
Über die Beziehung zwischen dem zweiten Hauptsatze der mechanischen Wärmetheorie und der Wahrscheinlichkeitsrechnung, respective den Sätzen über das Wärmegleichgewicht.

Von dem c. M. Ludwig Boltzmann in Graz.

Eine Beziehung des zweiten Hauptsatzes zur Wahrscheinlichkeitsrechnung zeigte sich zuerst, als ich nachwies, dass ein analytischer Beweis desselben auf keiner anderen Grundlage

mit folgenden Worten: „Es ist klar, dass jede einzelne gleichförmige Zustandsvertheilung, welche bei einem bestimmten

Anfangszustande nach Verlauf einer bestimmten Zeit entsteht, ebenso unwahrscheinlich ist, wie eine einzelne noch so ungleichförmige Zustandsvertheilung, gerade so wie im Lottospiele jede einzelne Quinterne ebenso unwahrscheinlich ist, wie die Quinterne



*“**It is clear** that in thermal equilibrium all possible states of the system ... are equally probable”*



"Since a given system can never of its own accord go over into another equally probable state but into a more probable one, it is likewise impossible to construct a system of bodies that after traversing various states returns periodically to its original state, that is a perpetual motion machine."

Ludwig Eduard Boltzmann

In classical statistical mechanics, the system is driven to the most probable state with the largest entropy – equilibrium.

What if the system is quantum? Do quantum subsystems evolve to the state with the largest entanglement entropy (maximally entangled states)?

Quantum entanglement



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Can Quantum-Mechanical Description of Physical Reality Be Considered Complete?

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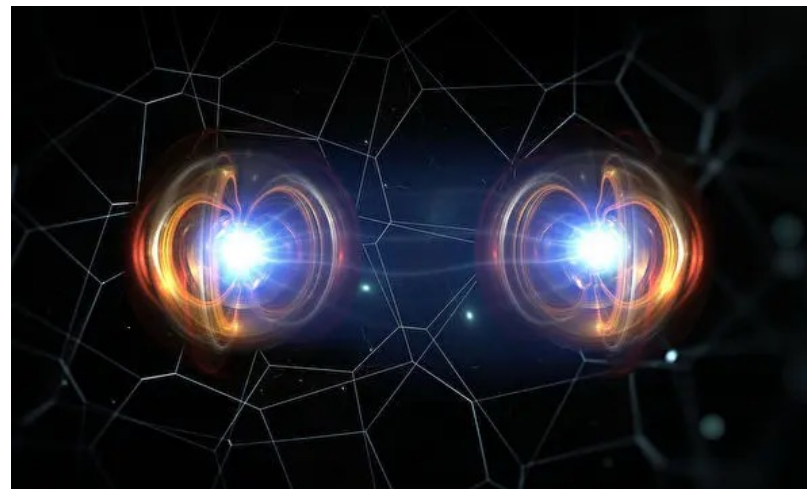
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In a complete theory there is an element corresponding to each element of reality. A sufficient condition for the reality of a physical quantity is the possibility of predicting it with certainty, without disturbing the system. In quantum mechanics in the case of two physical quantities described by non-commuting operators, the knowledge of one precludes the knowledge of the other. Then either (1) the description of reality given by the wave function in

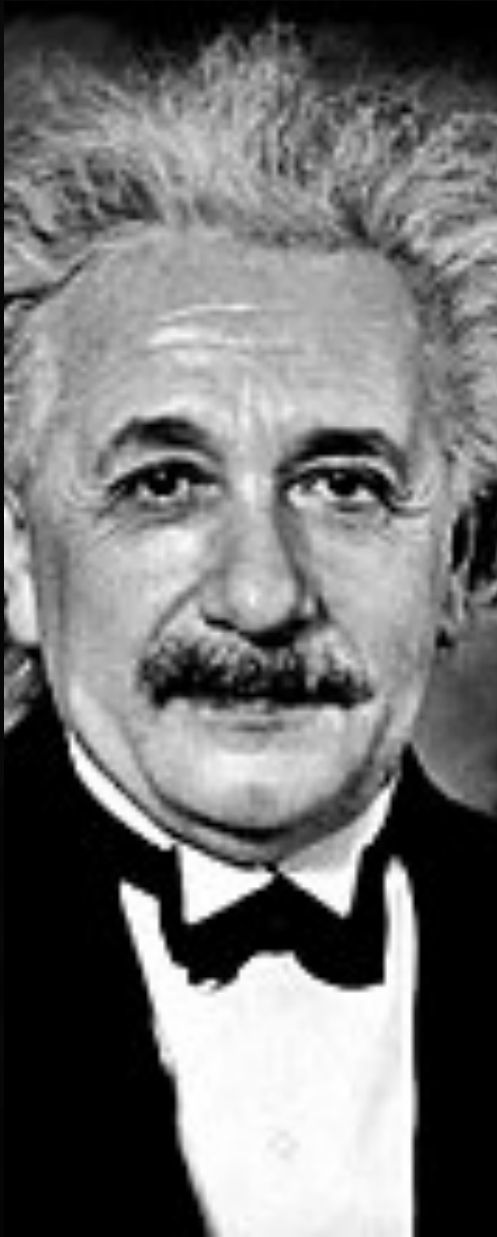
quantum mechanics is not complete or (2) these two quantities cannot have simultaneous reality. Consideration of the problem of making predictions concerning a system on the basis of measurements made on another system that had previously interacted with it leads to the result that if (1) is false then (2) is also false. One is thus led to conclude that the description of reality as given by a wave function is not complete.

Consider two separated quantum particles that had previously interacted

Measurement
of momentum
of one particle

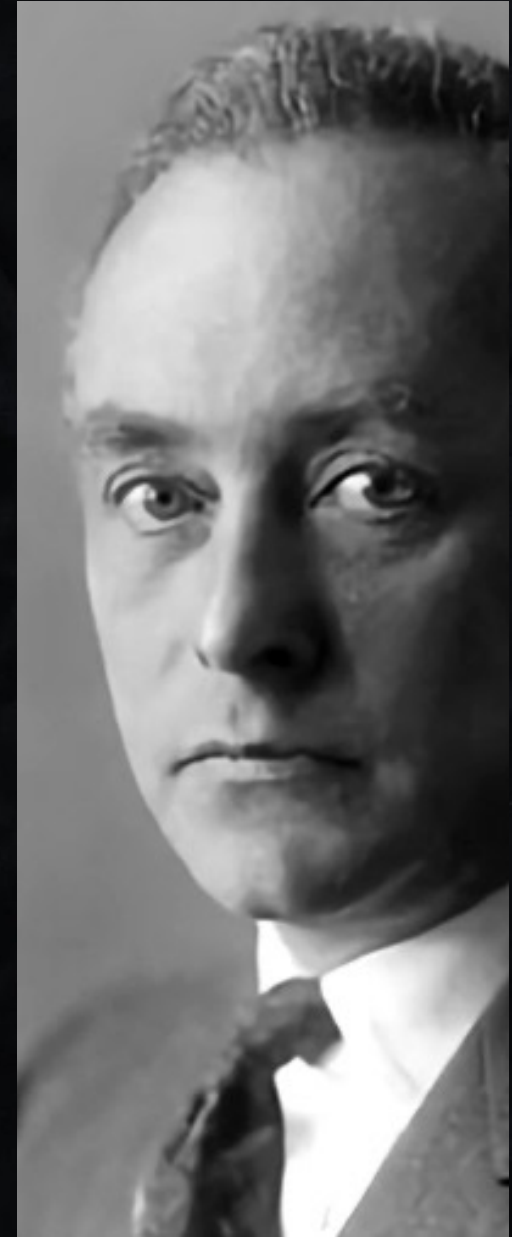


prevents the
knowledge of
another particle's
coordinate!



*“I cannot seriously believe in it because the theory cannot be reconciled with the idea that physics should represent a reality in time and space, free from **spooky action at a distance**”*

*A. Einstein, letter to
M. Born, 1947*



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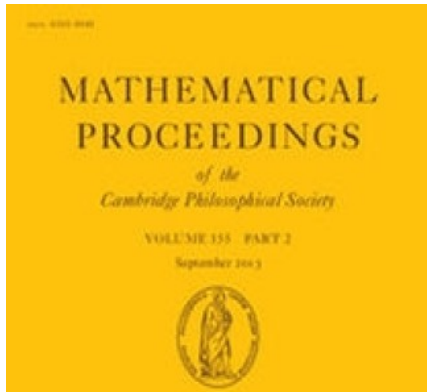
It is shown that a certain "criterion of physical reality" formulated in a recent article with the above title by A. Einstein, B. Podolsky and N. Rosen contains an essential ambiguity when it is applied to quantum phenomena. In this connection a viewpoint termed "complementarity" is explained from which quantum-mechanical description of physical phenomena would seem to fulfill, within its scope, all rational demands of completeness.

DISCUSSION OF PROBABILITY RELATIONS BETWEEN SEPARATED SYSTEMS

By E. SCHRÖDINGER

[Communicated by Mr M. BORN]

[Received 14 August, read 28 October 1935]



1. When two systems, of which we know the states by their respective representatives, enter into temporary physical interaction due to known forces between them, and when after a time of mutual influence the systems separate again, then they can no longer be described in the same way as before, viz. by endowing each of them with a representative of its own. I would not call that one but rather the characteristic trait of quantum mechanics, the one that enforces its entire departure from classical lines of thought. By the interaction the two representatives (or ψ -functions) have become entangled. To disentangle them we must gather further information by experiment, although we knew as much as anybody could possibly know about all that happened. Of either system, taken separately, all previous knowledge may be entirely lost, leaving us but one privilege: to restrict the experiments to one only of the two systems. After re-establishing one representative by observation, the other one can be inferred simultaneously. In what follows the whole of this procedure will be called the disentanglement. Its sinister importance is due to its being involved in every measuring process and therefore forming the basis of the quantum theory of

Describing entanglement: the density matrix



EPR state (2 qubits):

$$\frac{|0\rangle_A |0\rangle_B \pm |1\rangle_A |1\rangle_B}{\sqrt{2}}$$



The corresponding density matrix:

$$\rho_{AB} \left(\frac{|00\rangle \pm |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{|00\rangle \pm |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\langle 00| \pm \langle 11|}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{|00\rangle\langle 00| \pm |00\rangle\langle 11| \pm |11\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|}{2}$$

If the state of B is unknown, A is described by the reduced density matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_A &= \text{tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) = \frac{|0\rangle\langle 0| \langle 0|0\rangle \pm |0\rangle\langle 1| \langle 0|1\rangle \pm |1\rangle\langle 0| \langle 1|0\rangle + |1\rangle\langle 1| \langle 1|1\rangle}{2} \\ &= \frac{|0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1|}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\mathbf{I}}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Mixed state! $\rho_A \neq \rho_A^2$

Das Dämpfungsproblem in der Wellenmechanik.

Von L. Landau in Leningrad.

(Eingegangen am 27. Juli 1927.)

Es wird eine Formel für die wellenmechanische Behandlung der Dämpfung aufgestellt. Mit ihrer Hilfe werden einige diesbezügliche Fragen untersucht; auch die Kohärenzerscheinungen finden ihre Aufklärung. Ein Ausdruck für spontane Emission wird ermittelt, und die Intensitätsfrage der Spektrallinien auf diese Weise gelöst.

§ 1. Gekoppelte Systeme in der Wellenmechanik. In der Wellenmechanik kann ein System nicht eindeutig definiert werden; wir haben es immer mit einer Wahrscheinlichkeitsgesamtheit zu tun (statistische Auffassung)¹. Ist das System mit einem anderen gekoppelt, so tritt in seinem Verhalten eine doppelte Unbestimmtheit auf.

Der Zustand des ersten Systems sei charakterisiert durch die Größen a_n in

$$\psi = \sum a_n \psi_n; \quad (1)$$

für das zweite gelte

$$\psi' = \sum b_r \psi'_r. \quad (2)$$

Die Schrödingersche Funktion für beide Systeme zusammen ist dann:

$$\Psi = \psi \psi' = \sum_n \sum_r a_n b_r \psi_n \psi'_r = \sum_n \sum_r c_{nr} \psi_n \psi'_r \quad (3a)$$

wo

$$c_{nr} = a_n b_r. \quad (3b)$$

Tritt eine Kopplung auf, so wird c_{nr} Funktion der Zeit und kann nicht mehr der Gleichung (3b) gemäß zerlegt werden. Es können also a_n und b_r hier nicht mehr einzeln angewandt werden.

Quantifying entanglement: von Neumann entropy



$$\rho = \sum_n p_n |n\rangle \langle n|$$

Entanglement entropy:

$$S = -\text{tr} \rho \ln \rho = -p_n \ln p_n$$

Pure states:

$$S = 0$$

e.g.

$$p_0 = 1, p_{n \neq 0} = 0$$

Mixed states:

$$S \neq 0$$

e.g. for EPR $\rho_A = \frac{\mathbf{I}}{2}$

$$p_0 = p_1 = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow S = \ln 2$$

Maximally entangled states

Consider the entanglement entropy

$$S = -\text{tr} \rho \ln \rho = - \sum_n p_n \ln p_n$$

for the case of N states with equal probabilities

$$p_n = 1/N$$

Then
$$S = -N \frac{1}{N} \ln(1/N) = \ln N$$

This looks like the Boltzmann formula!

Maximal entanglement and thermalization

Entanglement and the foundations of statistical mechanics

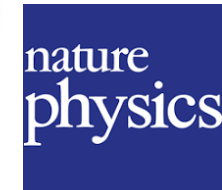
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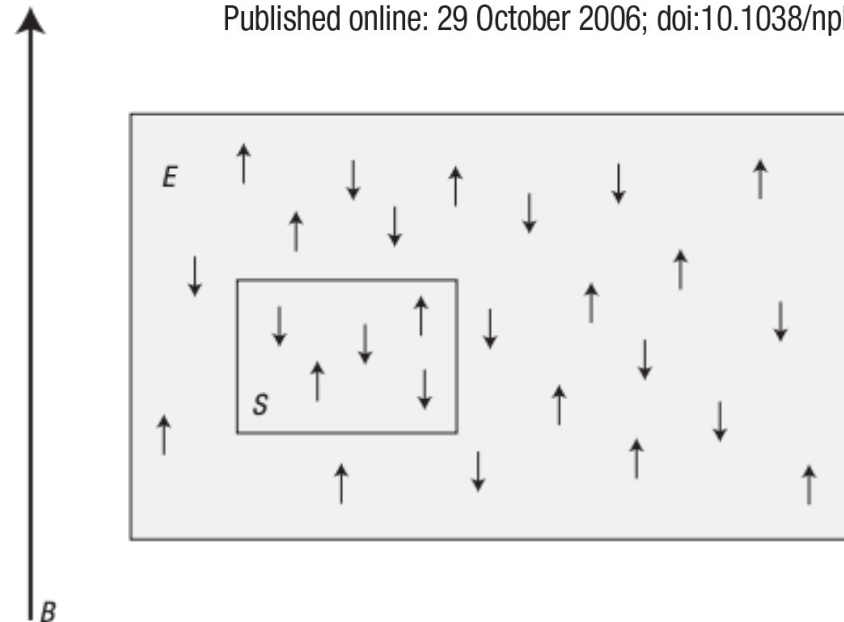
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Statistical mechanics is one of the most successful areas of physics. Yet, almost 150 years since its inception, its foundations and basic postulates are still the subject of debate. Here we suggest that the main postulate of statistical mechanics, the equal *a priori* probability postulate, should be abandoned as misleading and unnecessary. We argue that it should be replaced by a general canonical principle, whose physical content is fundamentally different from the postulate it replaces: it refers to individual states, rather than to ensemble or time averages. Furthermore, whereas the original postulate is an unprovable assumption, the principle we propose is mathematically proven. The key element in this proof is the quantum entanglement between the system and its environment. Our approach separates the issue of



In future work, we hope to go beyond the kinematic viewpoint presented here to address the dynamics of thermalization. In

Maximal entanglement and thermalization

STATISTICAL PHYSICS

Quantum thermalization through entanglement in an isolated many-body system



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Statistical mechanics relies on the maximization of entropy in a system at thermal equilibrium. However, an isolated quantum many-body system initialized in a pure state remains pure during Schrödinger evolution, and in this sense it has static, zero entropy. We experimentally studied the emergence of statistical mechanics in a quantum state and observed the fundamental role of quantum entanglement in facilitating this emergence.

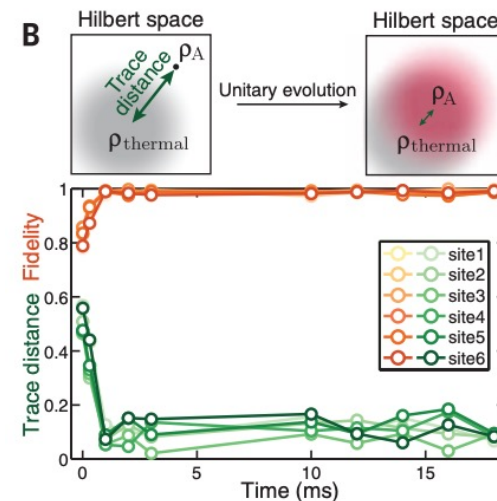
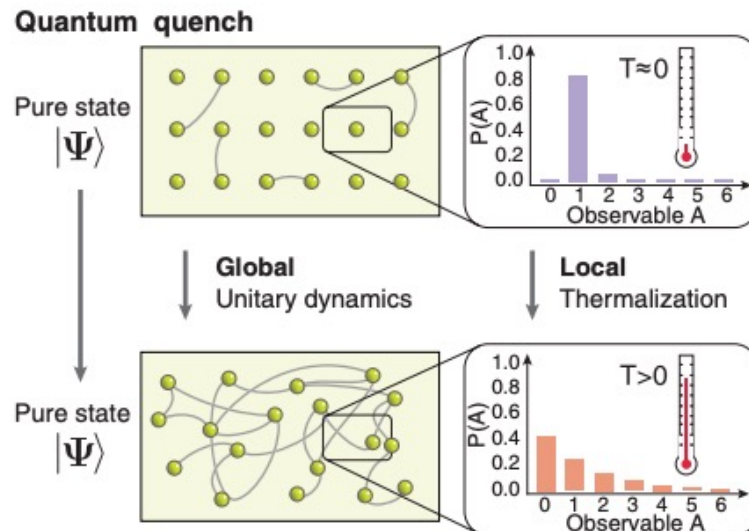
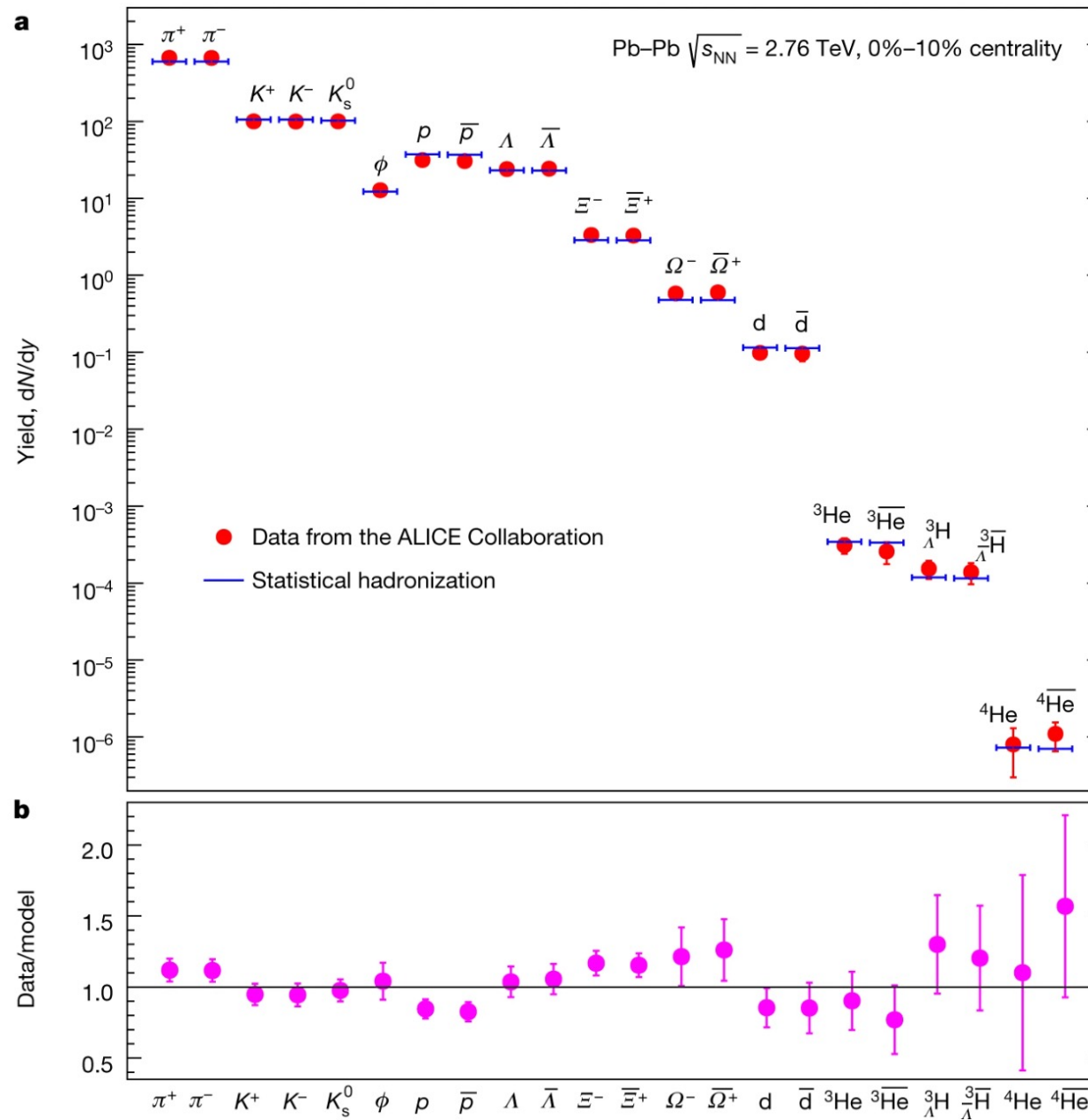


Fig. 5. Observation of local thermalization.

In nuclear and high energy physics,
there is a long-standing puzzle of “early thermalization”

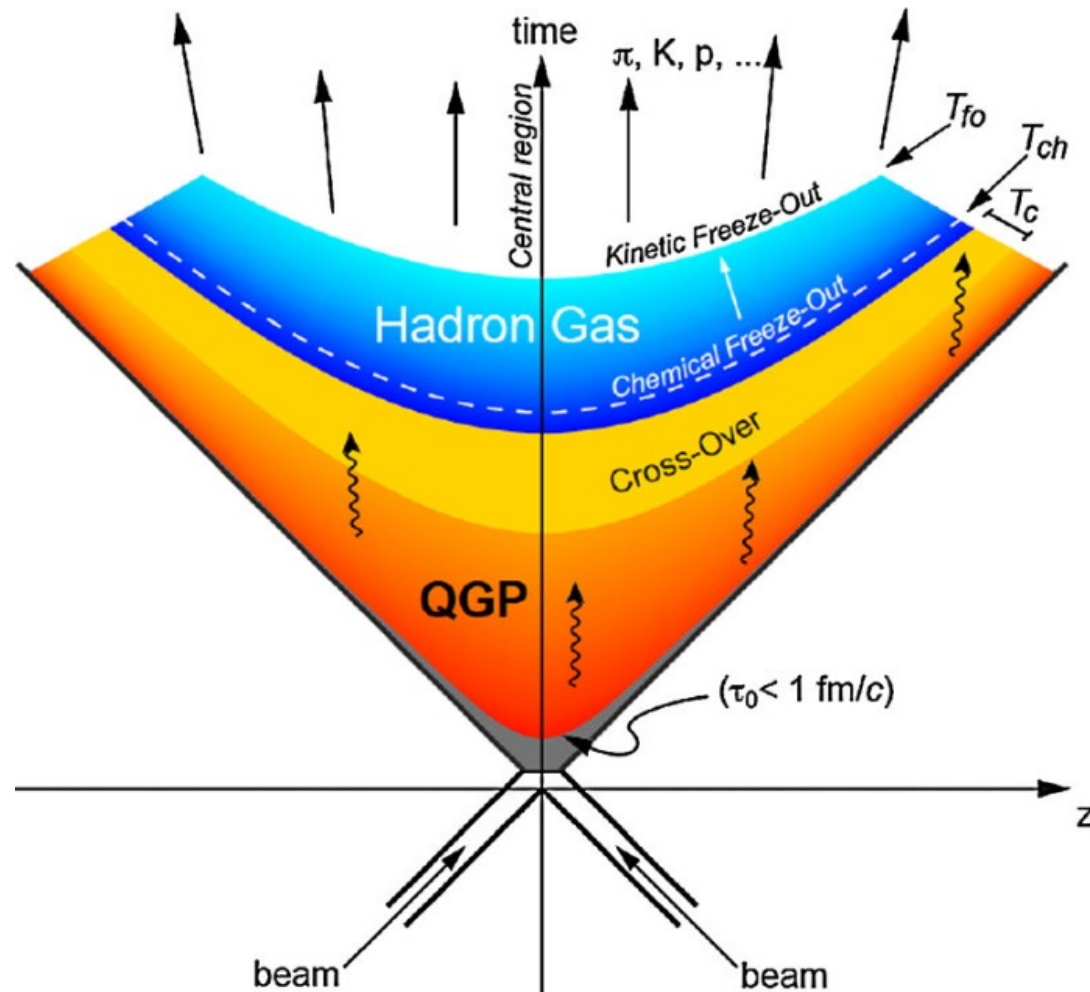
There is an ample evidence from experiments at RHIC, LHC and elsewhere that high energy heavy ion (and even pp and e^+e^- collisions) lead to some kind of fast thermalization:

- Hadron abundances look thermal
- Hydrodynamics describes remarkably well the momentum spectra and azimuthal correlations of produced hadrons, assuming that the initial conditions are provided at a very early time $\tau \sim 0.5$ fm



What is the mechanism of this thermalization?

How can it happen so fast in a rapidly expanding system?



Is the mechanism of rapid thermalization, with its possible link to entanglement, a “million-dollar question”?

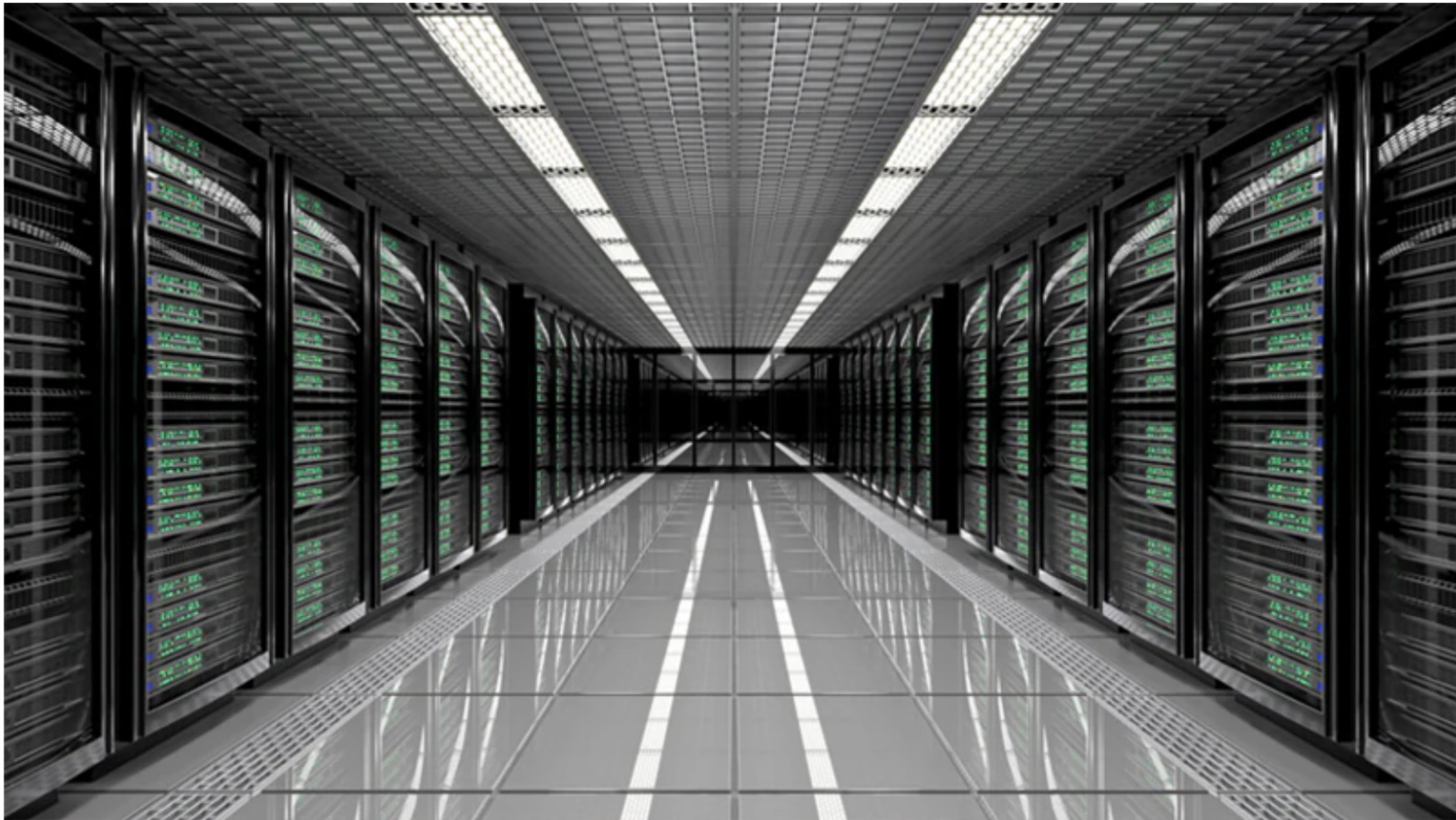
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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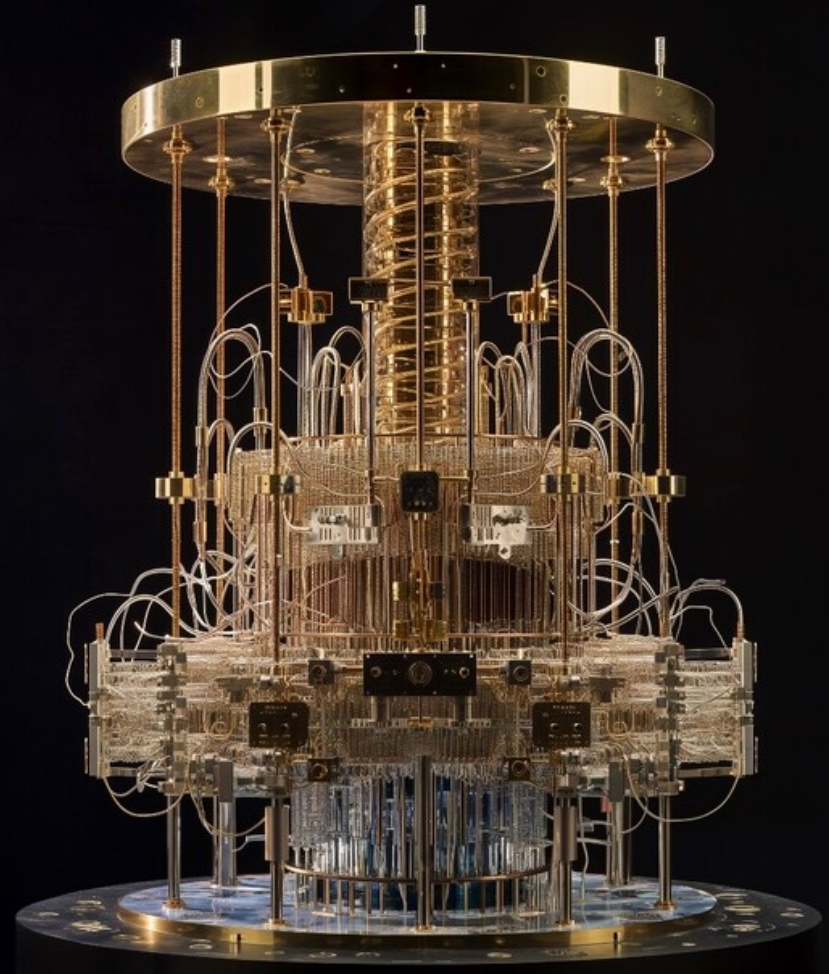
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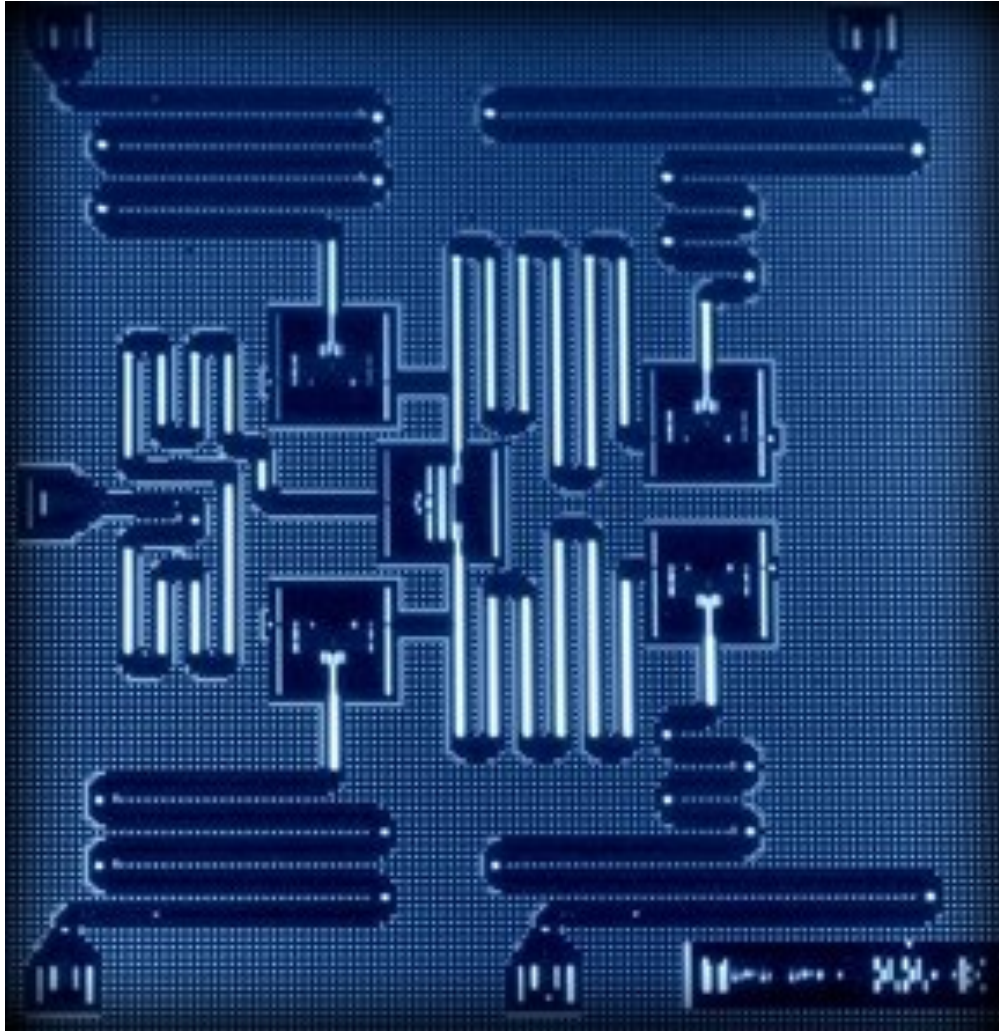
Quantum AI/ML

When Quantum Meets AI

The Dawn of a New Computing Era



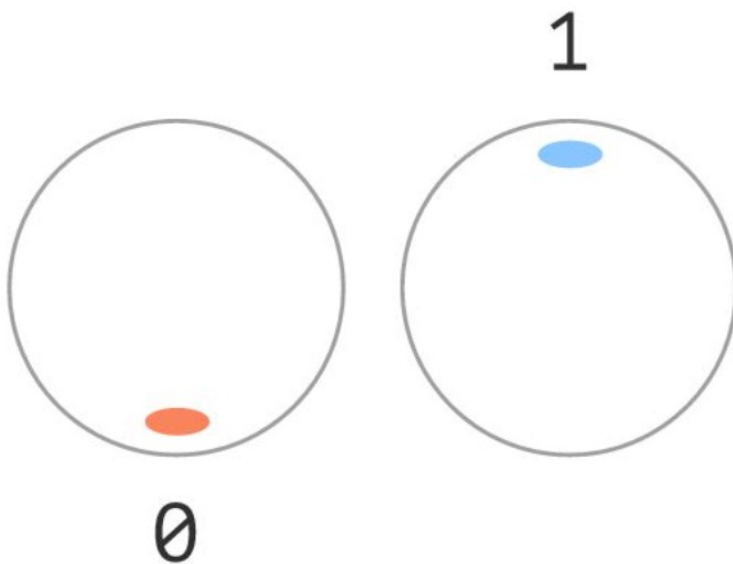
Entanglement at work: quantum computing



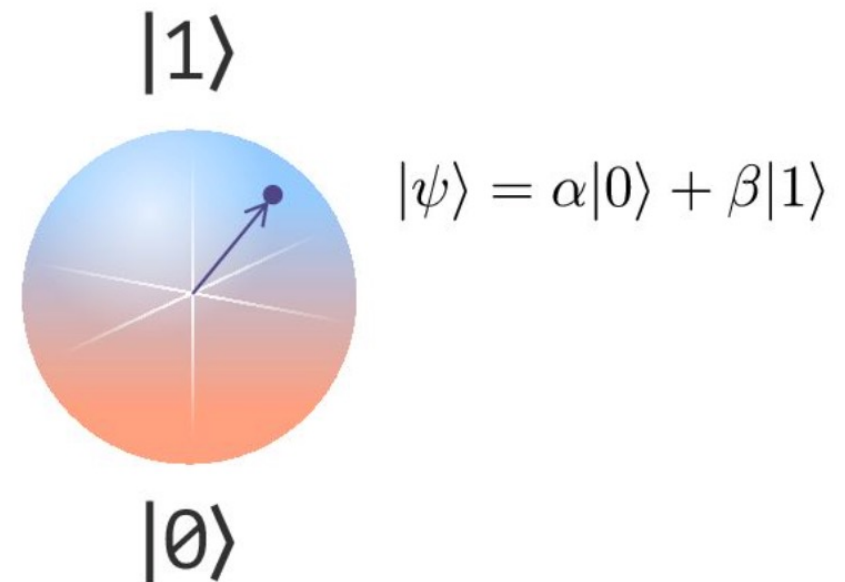
IBM five qubit processor credit: IBM-Q



Bit



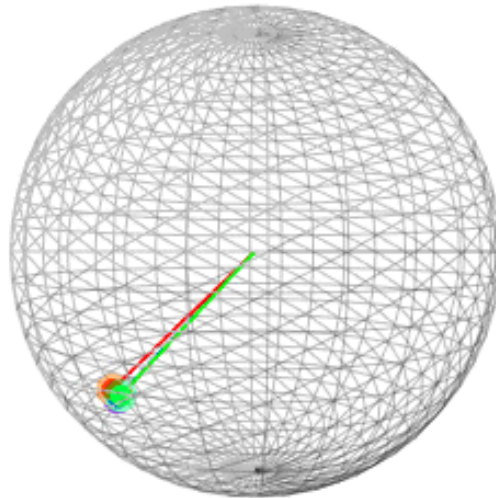
Qubit



While a classical computer is made of bits, a quantum computer is made of quantum bits, or qubits for short. In contrast to classical bits, that can only be 0 or 1, qubits can exist in a superposition of these states.

Why quantum computing?

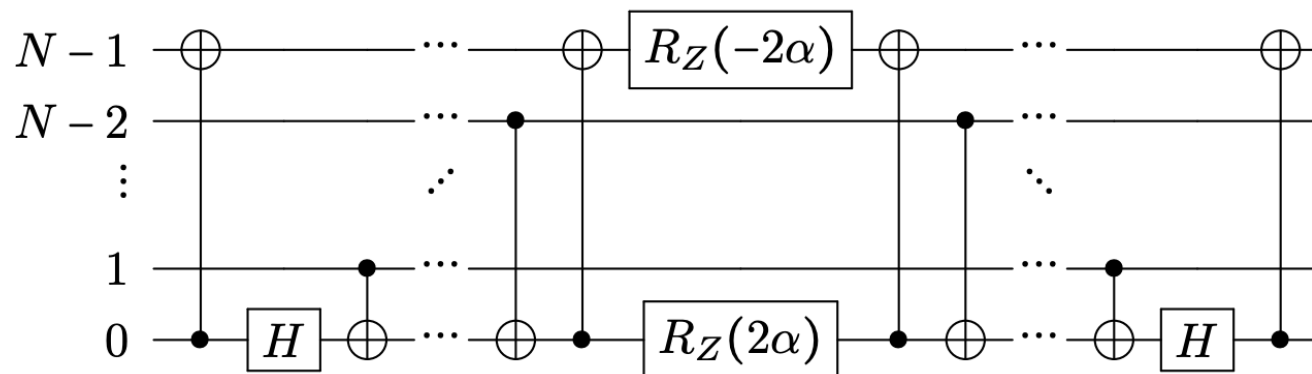
Quantum computing allows manipulation of entire vectors in Hilbert space, offering exponential speed-up:



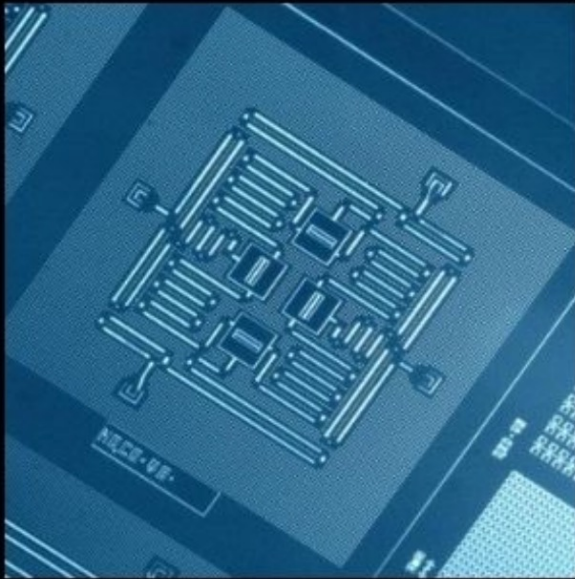
N bits – 2^N possible states;
probability vector

Quantum state vector in 2^N dimensional Hilbert space

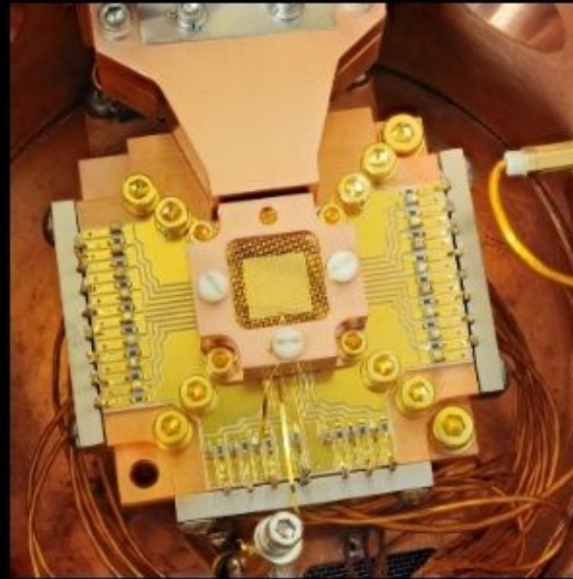
Promise of Quantum advantage



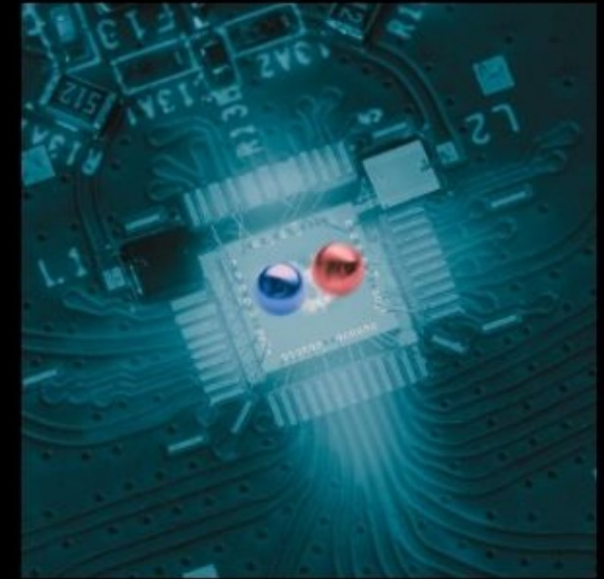
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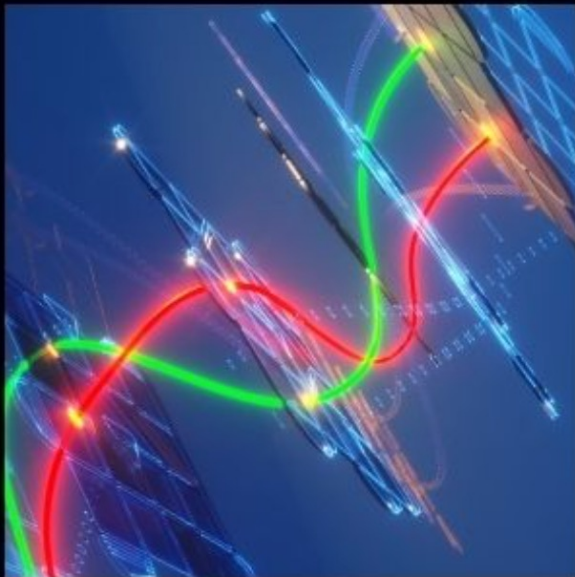
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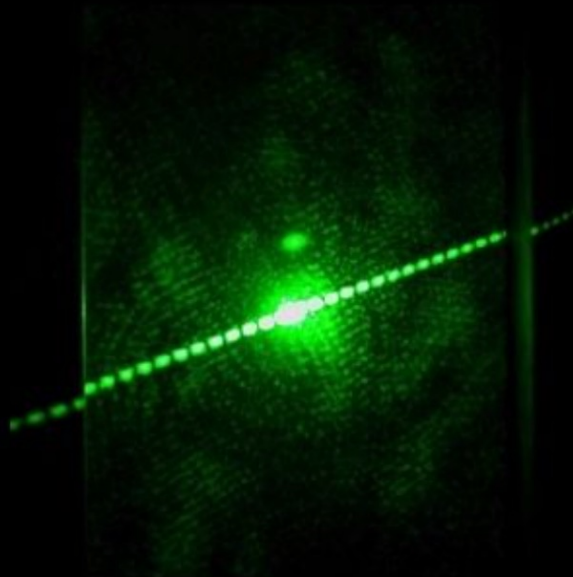
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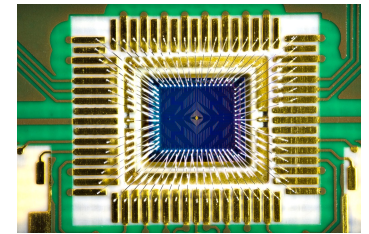


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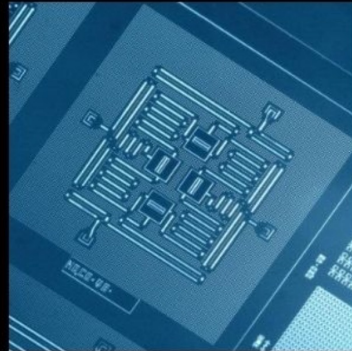
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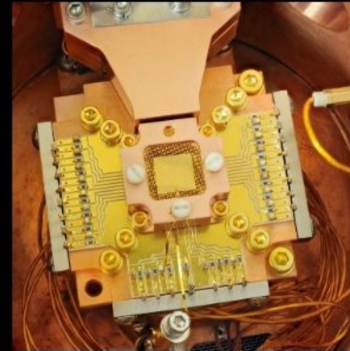
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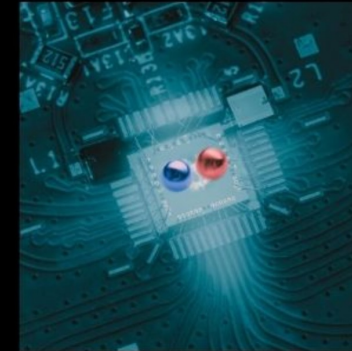
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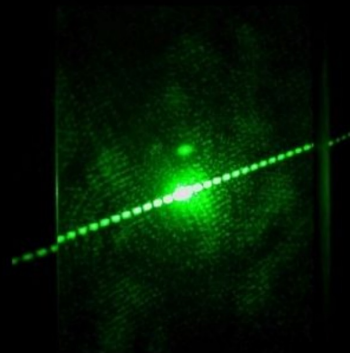
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QUANTINUUM

Also: Quantum-inspired classical computing (quantum simulations on classical hardware, hybrid quantum-classical computing, ...)

A recent example:

Efficient charge-preserving excited state preparation with variational quantum algorithms

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Ranjani G. Sundaram¹⁰, and Kwangmin Yu¹²

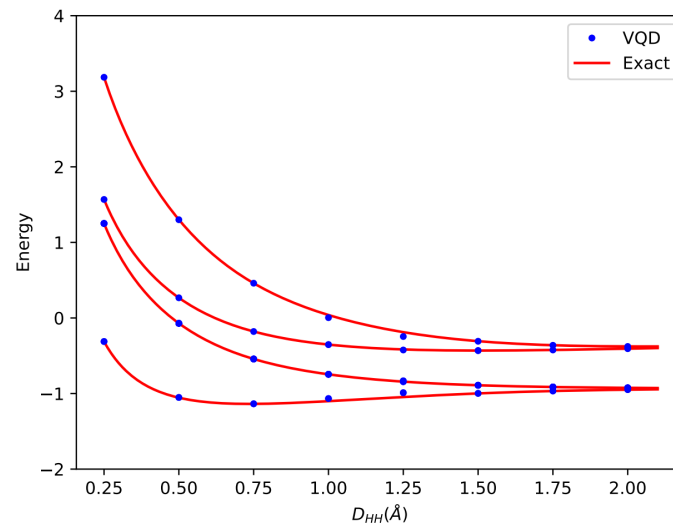


Figure 3: The bond-length dependence of the spectrum (in Hartree) of H_2 in the charge 0 sector, where all energy spectra carry charge 0 in the STO-3G basis. The red curves and the blue dots are obtained by exact diagonalization and VQD, respectively.

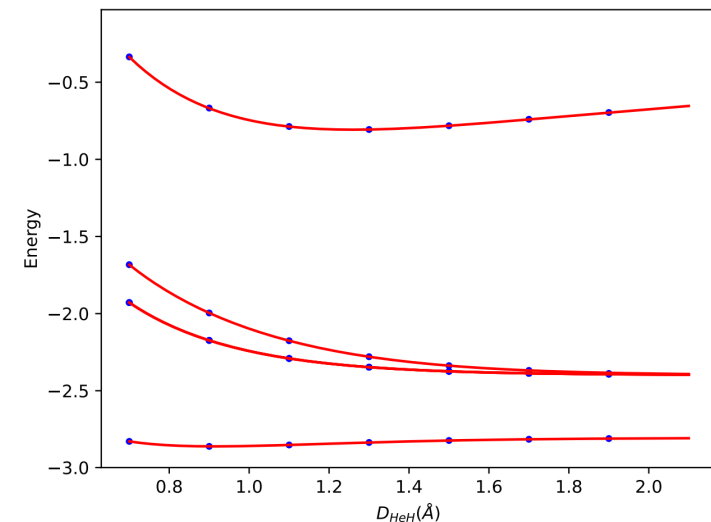
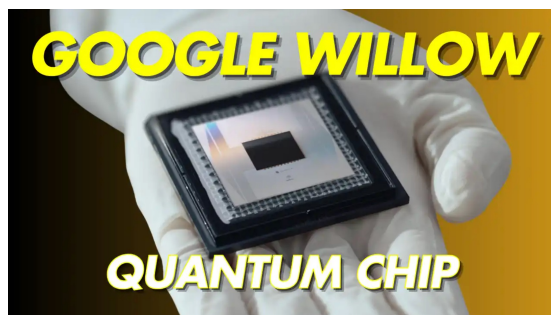
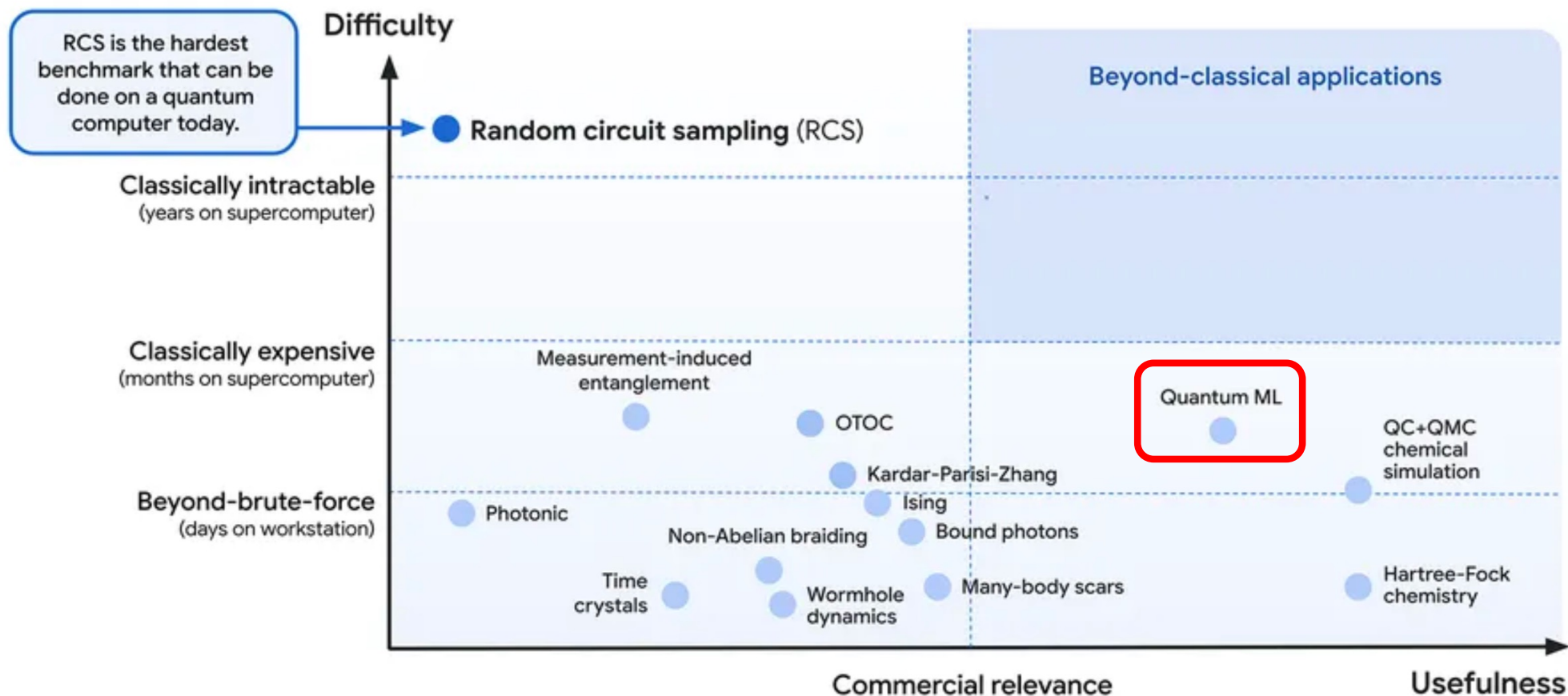


Figure 5: The bond-length dependence of the spectra (in Hartree) of HeH^+ in the charge 1 sector. All charge +1 spectra in the STO-3G basis are shown here. The red curves and the blue dots are obtained by exact diagonalization and CPVQD, respectively.



Estimated time on Willow
vs classical supercomputer

5 minutes vs. 10^{25} years

An obstacle to quantum deep neural networks:

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Entanglement-Induced Barren Plateaus

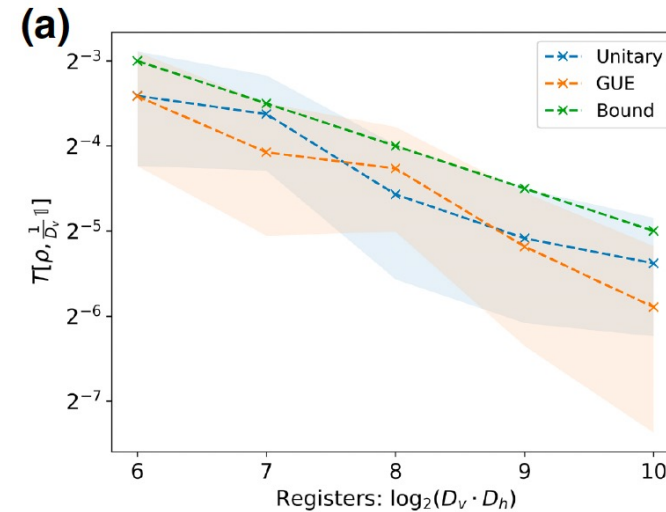
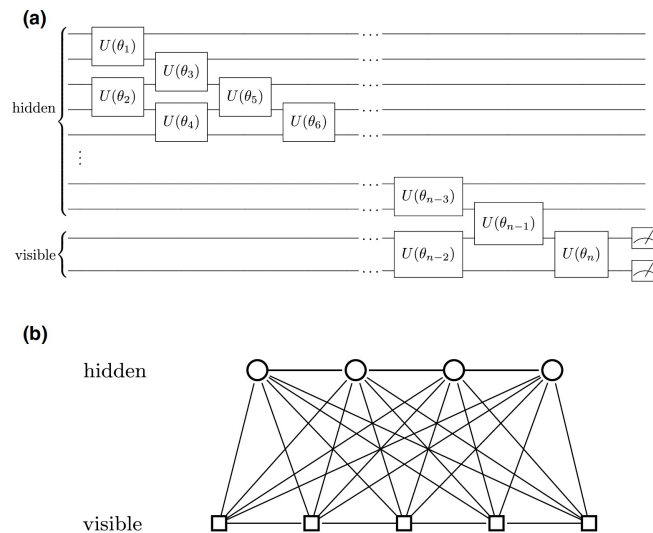
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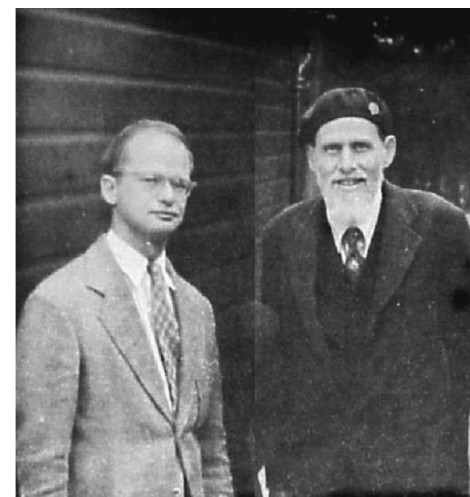


Neural networks

A LOGICAL CALCULUS OF THE IDEAS IMMANENT IN NERVOUS ACTIVITY

WARREN S. McCULLOCH and WALTER H. PITTS

Because of the “all-or-none” character of nervous activity, neural events and the relations among them can be treated by means of propositional logic. It is found that the behavior of every net can be described in these terms, with the addition of more complicated logical means for nets containing circles; and that for any logical expression satisfying certain conditions, one can find a net behaving in the fashion it describes. It is shown that many particular choices among possible neurophysiological assumptions are equivalent, in the sense that for every net behaving under one assumption, there exists another net which behaves under the other and gives the same results, although perhaps not in the same time. Various applications of the calculus are discussed.



McCulloch (right) and Pitts (left) in 1949

$$\sigma_i(t+1) = \text{sgn} \left[\sum_{j \neq i} J_{ij} \sigma_j(t) - \theta_i \right]$$

Active neuron: $\sigma_i = +1$

Inactive neuron: $\sigma_i = -1$

Activation threshold: θ

Weights (synapses): J_{ij}

Neural networks

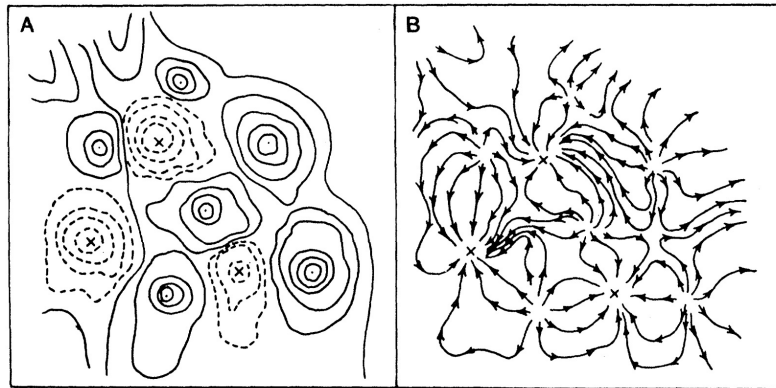


FIG. 2: Energy landscape and trajectories in a model of neural networks [39]. (A) Solid contours are above a mean level and dashed contours below, with X marking fixed points at the bottoms of energy valleys. (B) Corresponding dynamics, shown as a flow field.



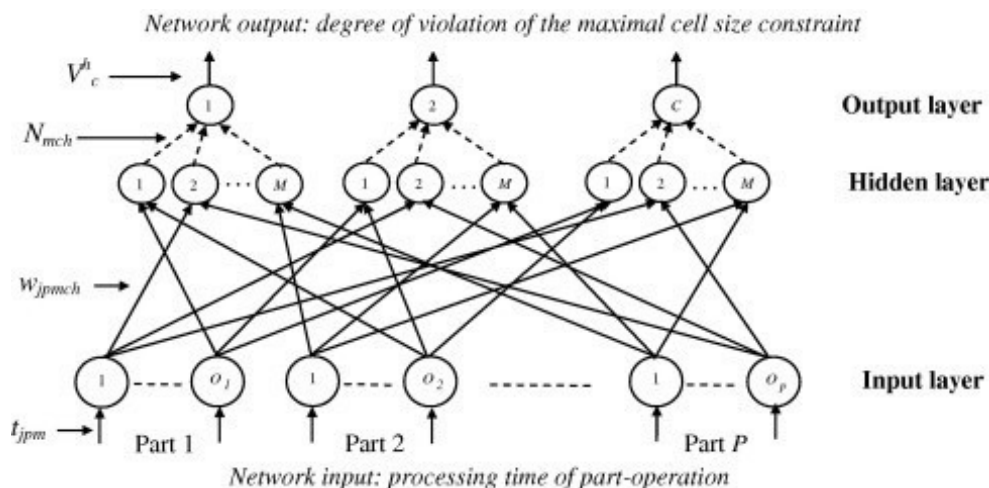
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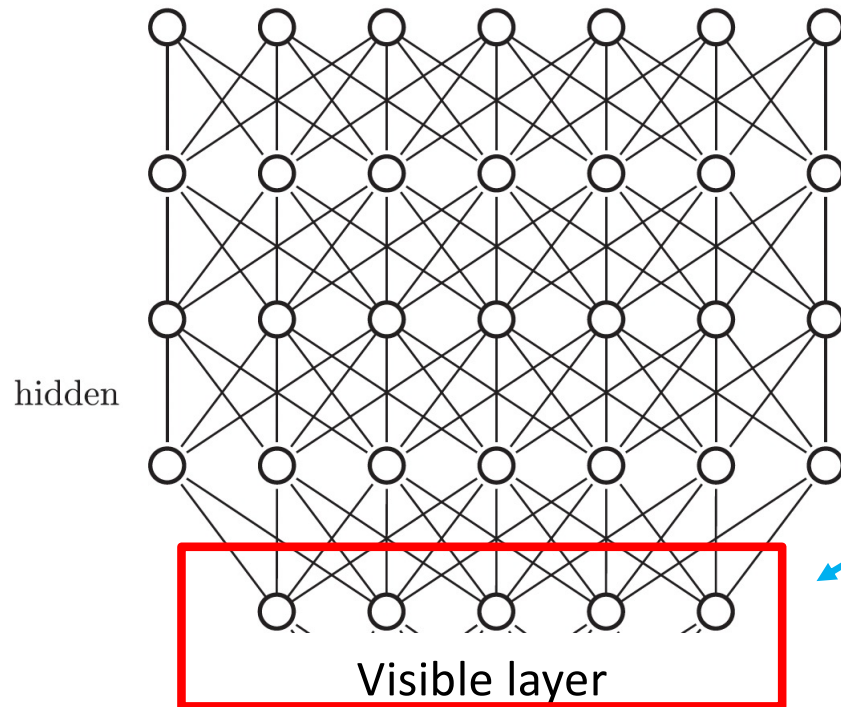
Nobel prize in Physics, 2024,
with G. Hinton (“Boltzmann machines”)

The network is sliding down on
a landscape, which is an effective
energy function.

“Coming to a rest at the minimum
of the energy is a computation,
analogous to recalling a memory.”



An obstacle to quantum deep neural networks:



Entangled pure state;
entanglement entropy
scales with the volume

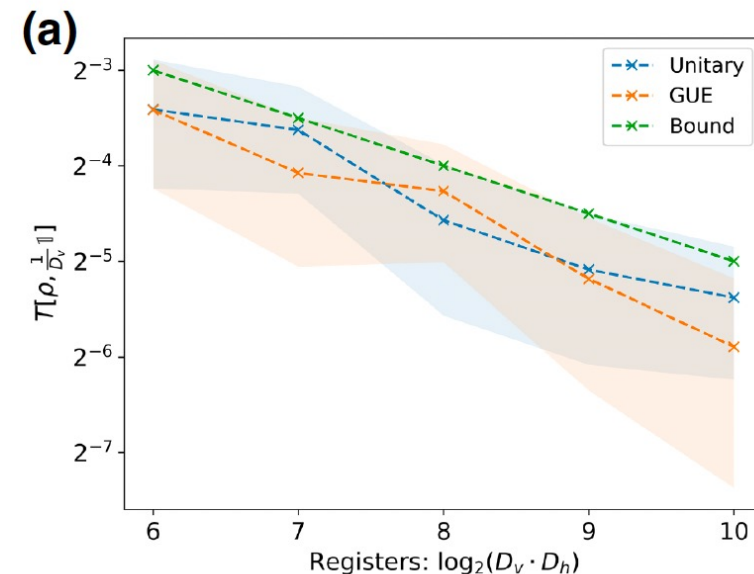


A small sub-system
(the visible layer) is
maximally entangled -
completely random output!

Proposition 2. Let $U \in \mathbb{C}^{D_v D_h \times D_v D_h}$ be drawn from a unitary 2-design and let $H = U^\dagger S U$ for some diagonal matrix $S \in \mathbb{C}^{D \times D}$, where $D = D_v D_h$. If either $\rho = U|0\rangle\langle 0|U^\dagger$ (unitary network) or $\rho = e^{-H}/\text{Tr}(e^{-H})$ (Boltzmann machine), then for any bounded operator $O_{obj} \in \mathbb{C}^{D_v \times D_v}$ acting on the visible subspace, we have that

$$|\text{Tr}[(O_{obj} \otimes I_h)(\rho - I/D)]| \in O\left(\|O_{obj}\|_\infty \sqrt{\frac{D_v}{D_h}}\right),$$

Entanglement-Induced Barren Plateaus



What is the real-time dynamics of thermalization?
Is it accompanied by entanglement entropy (EE) production?
Can it be slowed down?

To answer these questions, we need a **real-time quantum simulation** in a field theory that is simple enough to solve numerically and still describes physical systems of interest.

Schwinger model is similar to QCD in a number of ways:
confinement, chiral condensate, anomaly, ...



Perform a real-time quantum simulation of e^+e^- annihilation in massive Schwinger model, with the goal of understanding the possible **link between entanglement and thermalization**

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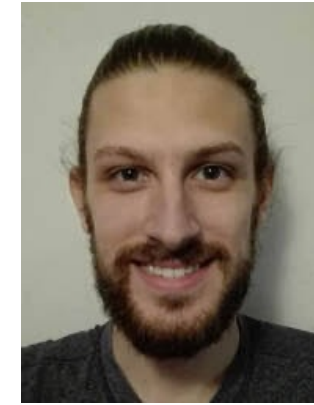
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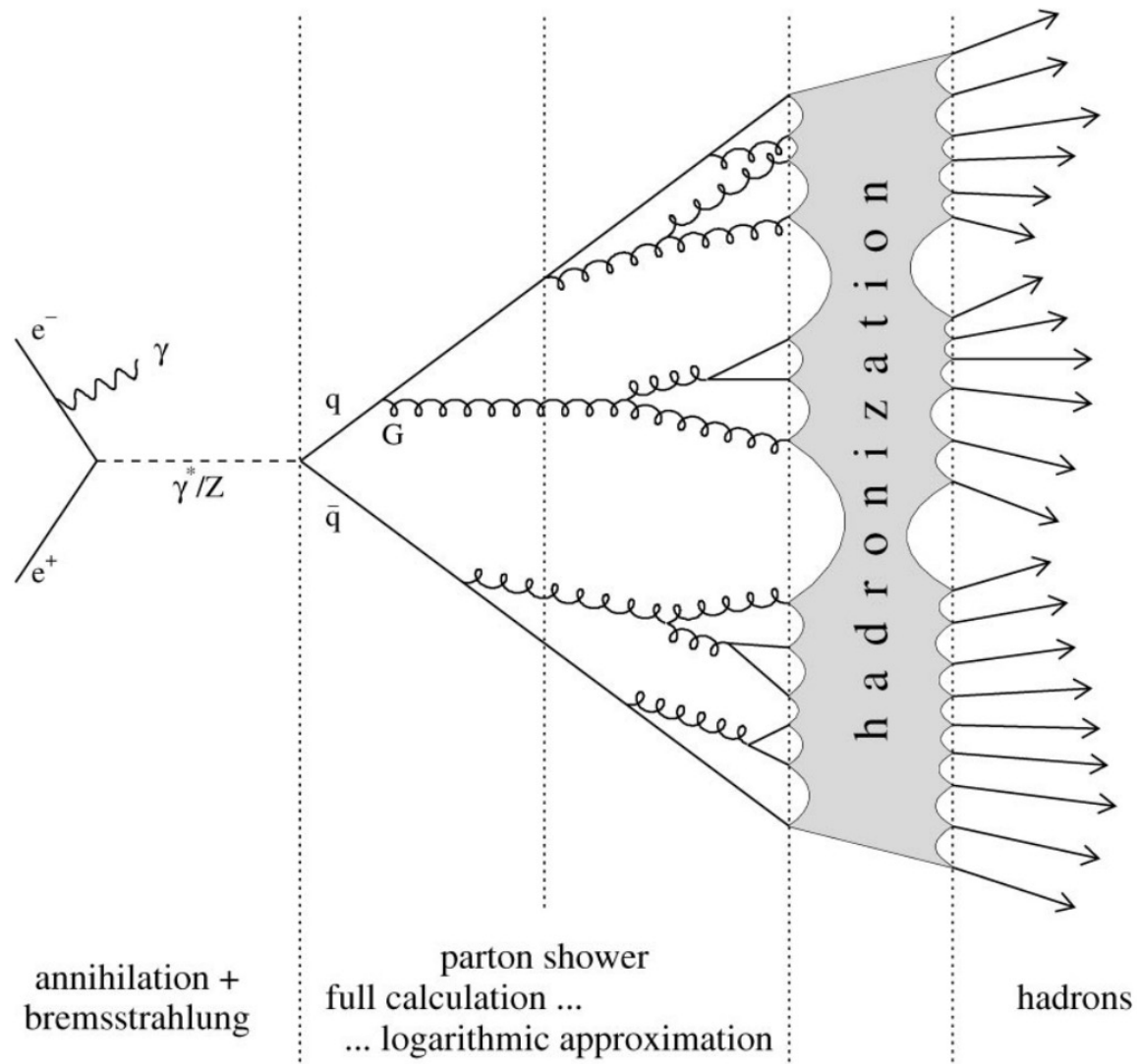
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The setup

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Schwinger model: QED in (1+1) dimensions

$$S = \int d^2x \left[-\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{g\theta}{4\pi} \epsilon^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m) \psi \right]$$

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Gauge Invariance and Mass. II*

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The possibility that a vector gauge field can imply a nonzero mass particle is illustrated by the exact solution of a one-dimensional model.



J. Schwinger
1965 Nobel prize
with R. Feynman
and S. Tomonaga
for QED

it is plausible that some other types of excitation will then be located at fairly small fractions of m_0 . Thus, one could anticipate that the known spin-0 bosons, for example, are secondary dynamical manifestations of strongly coupled primary fermion fields and vector gauge fields. This line of thought emphasizes that the question “Which particles are fundamental?” is in-

correctly formulated. One should ask “What are the fundamental fields?”

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Vacuum polarization and the absence of free quarks

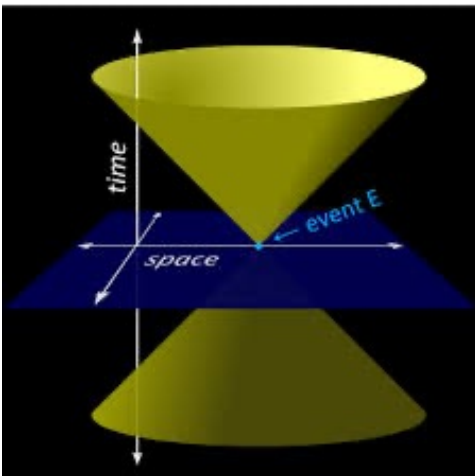
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This paper is addressed to the question of why isolated quark partons are not seen. It is argued that in vector gauge theories it is possible to have the short-distance and light-cone behavior of quark fields without real quark production in deep-inelastic reactions. The physical mechanism involved is the flow of vacuum-polarization currents which neutralize any outgoing quarks. Our ideas are inspired by arguments due to Schwinger and an intuitive picture of Bjorken. Two-dimensional (1 space, 1 time) vector gauge field theories provide exactly soluble examples of this phenomenon. The resulting picture of deep-inelastic final states predicts jets of hadrons and logarithmically rising multiplicities as conjectured by Bjorken and Feynman.

Massless Schwinger model coupled to external sources:

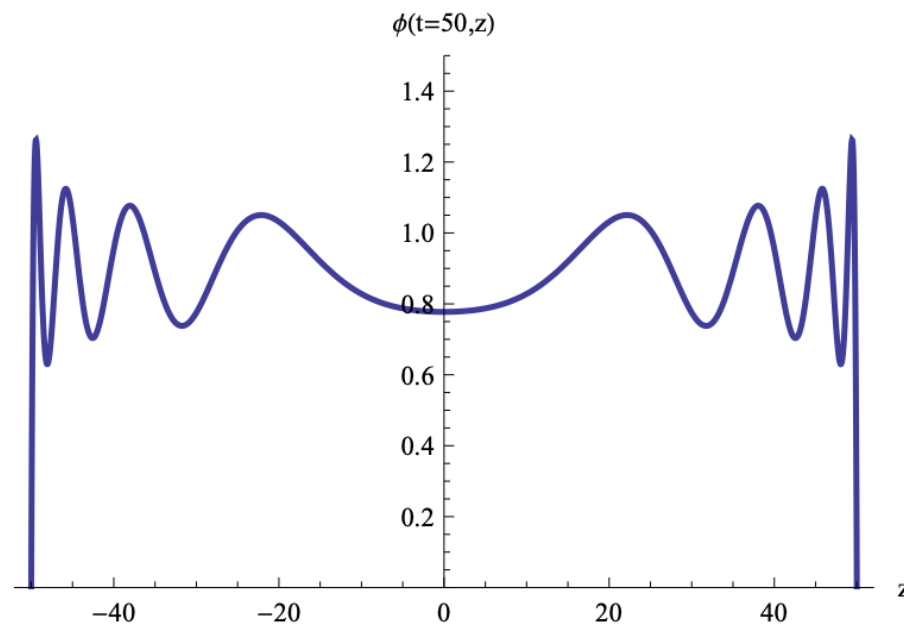


$$j_0^{\text{ext}} = g\delta(z - t), \quad j_1^{\text{ext}} = g\delta(z - t) \quad \text{for } z > 0,$$

$$j_0^{\text{ext}} = -g\delta(z + t), \quad j_1^{\text{ext}} = g\delta(z + t) \quad \text{for } z < 0,$$

In the massless case, can be solved exactly:

$$\phi(x) = \theta(t^2 - z^2)[1 - J_0(m\sqrt{t^2 - z^2})]$$



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String breaking due to production of quark-antiquark pairs;
the produced mesons form a rapidity plateau

To address thermalization, one needs to consider interacting mesons – this leads to the massive Schwinger model.

Non-integrable, no analytical solutions can be found
– use digital quantum simulations!

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Schwinger model: QED in (1+1) dimensions

The Hamiltonian:

$$H = \int dx \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\Pi + \frac{g\theta}{2\pi} \right)^2 + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma_1 D_1 + m) \psi \right]$$

Gauge fixing, temporal gauge: $A_0 = 0$.

Generalized momentum: $\Pi = \dot{A}_1 - \frac{g\theta}{2\pi}$
(θ angle as background electric field)

The staggered lattice Hamiltonian:

$$H_S^L = -\frac{i}{2a} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (\chi_n^\dagger \chi_{n+1} - \chi_{n+1}^\dagger \chi_n) + m \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n \chi_n^\dagger \chi_n \\ + \frac{ag^2}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (L_{\text{dyn},n} + L_{\text{ext},n}(t))^2$$

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Jordan-Wigner transformation:

$$\chi_n = \frac{X_n - iY_n}{2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (-iZ_i), \quad \chi_n^\dagger = \frac{X_n + iY_n}{2} \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} iZ_i,$$



Dirac	staggered	spin
$\bar{\psi}\psi$	$\frac{(-1)^n}{a} \chi_n^\dagger \chi_n$	$\frac{(-1)^n}{2a} Z_n$
$\bar{\psi}\gamma_0\psi$	$\frac{1}{a} \chi_n^\dagger \chi_n$	$\frac{1}{2a} Z_n$
$\bar{\psi}\gamma_1\psi$	$\frac{1}{2a} [\chi_n^\dagger \chi_{n+1} + \chi_{n+1}^\dagger \chi_n]$	$\frac{1}{4a} [X_n Y_{n+1} - X_{n+1} Y_n]$
$\bar{\psi}\gamma_5\psi$	$\frac{(-1)^n}{2a} [\chi_n^\dagger \chi_{n+1} - \chi_{n+1}^\dagger \chi_n]$	$-\frac{i(-1)^n}{4a} [X_n X_{n+1} + Y_n Y_{n+1}]$
$\bar{\psi}\gamma_1\partial_1\psi$	$-\frac{1}{2a^2} [\chi_n^\dagger \chi_{n+1} - \chi_{n+1}^\dagger \chi_n]$	$-\frac{i}{4a^2} [X_n X_{n+1} + Y_n Y_{n+1}]$

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The form of Hamiltonian used in simulations:

$$H^L(t) = \frac{1}{4a} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (X_n X_{n+1} + Y_n Y_{n+1}) + \frac{m}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n Z_n \\ + \frac{ag^2}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} [L_{\text{dyn},n} + L_{\text{ext},n}(t)]^2.$$



all-to-all qubit connectivity!

Warm-up: zero coupling, topological quench $\theta=\theta(t)$

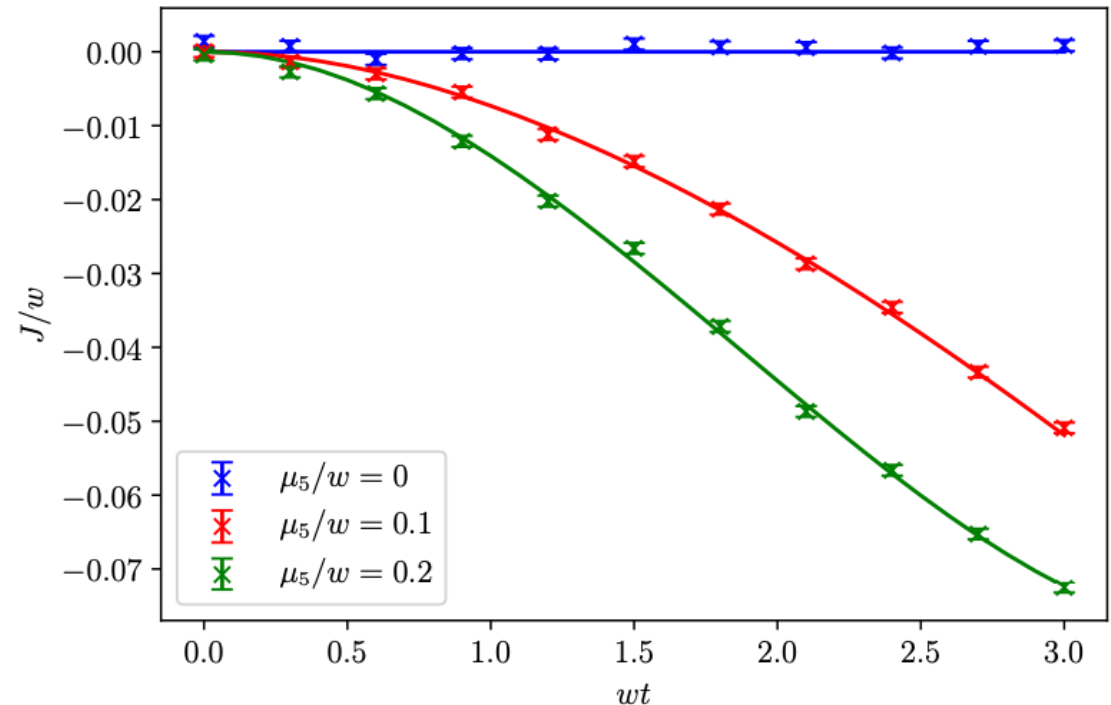
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Chiral magnetic current observed:

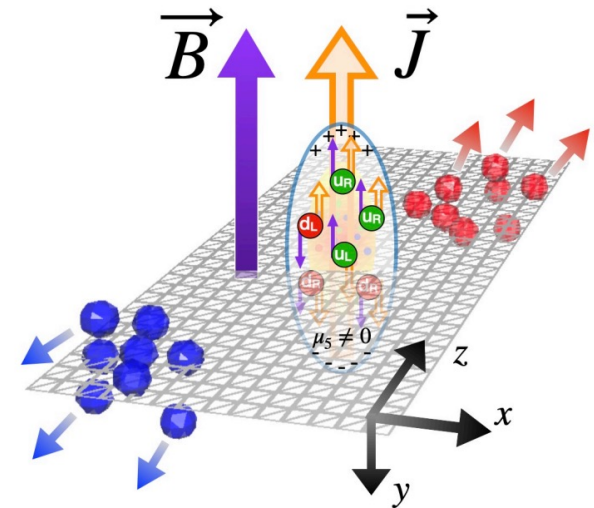
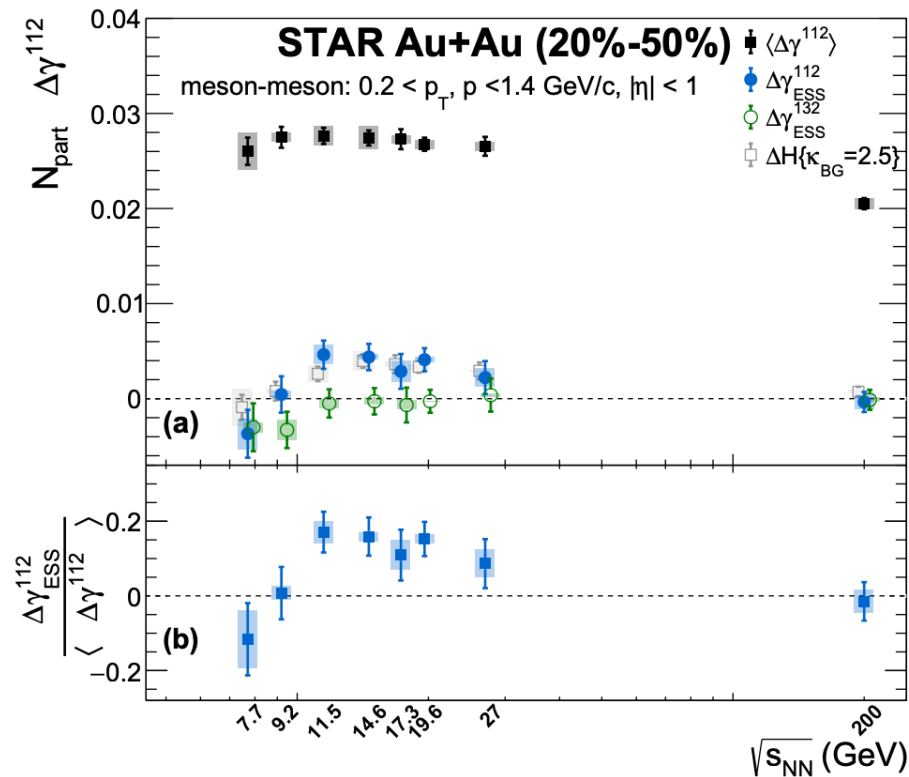


Very recent news: STAR result on CME in beam energy scan

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Why CME at BES?

One reason is the longer-living magnetic field.

But there may also be another, revealed through the real-time simulations: enhancement of topological fluctuations near the critical point:

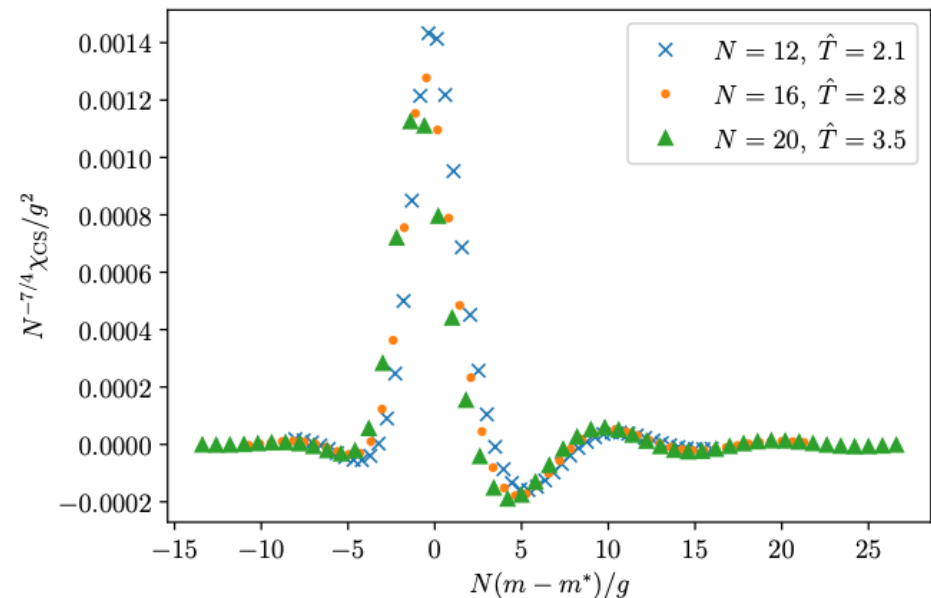
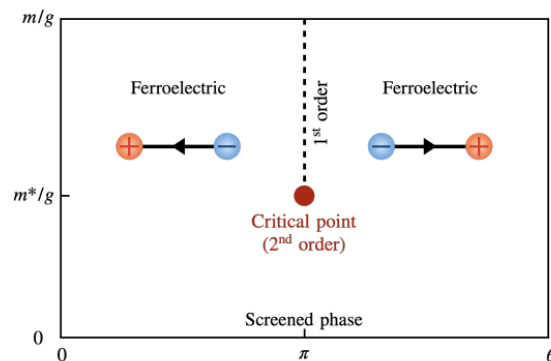
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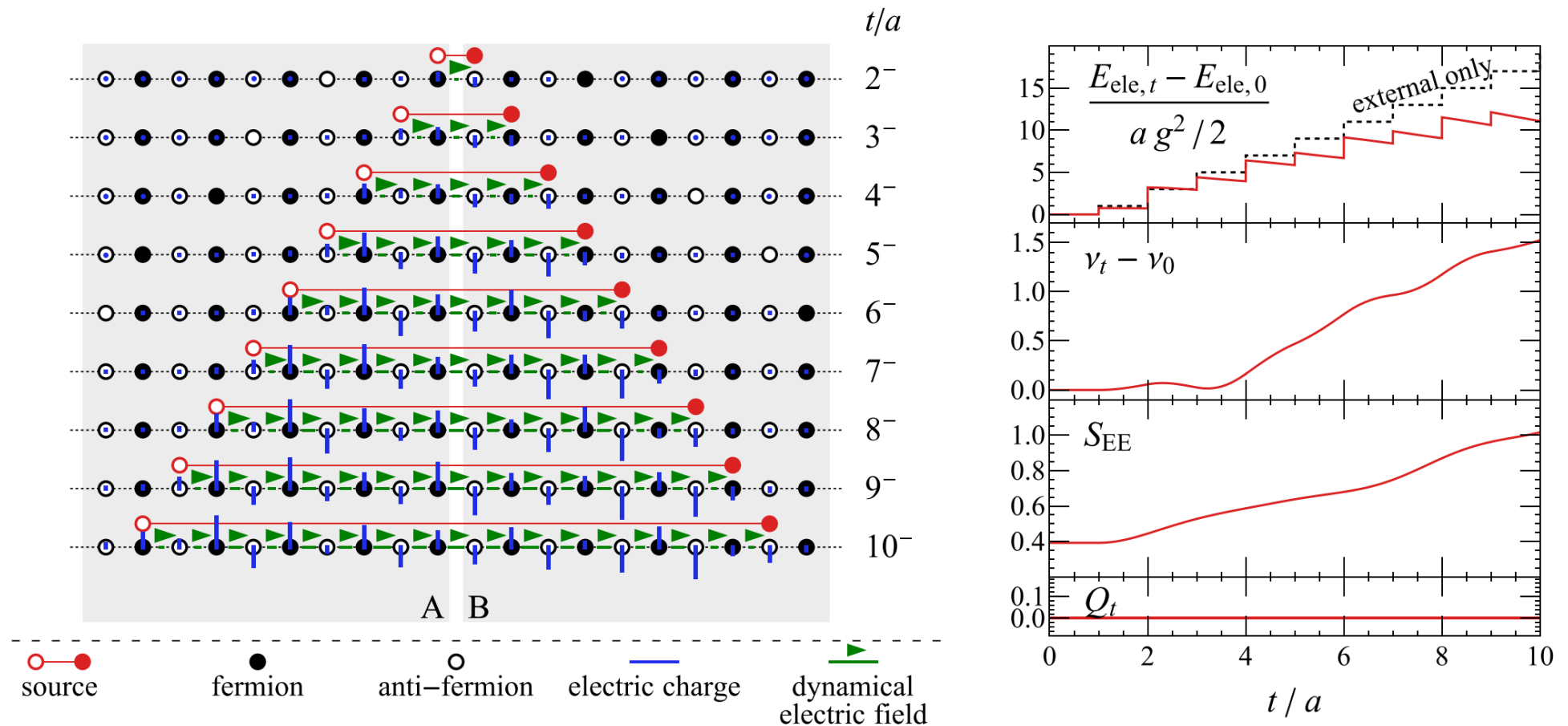
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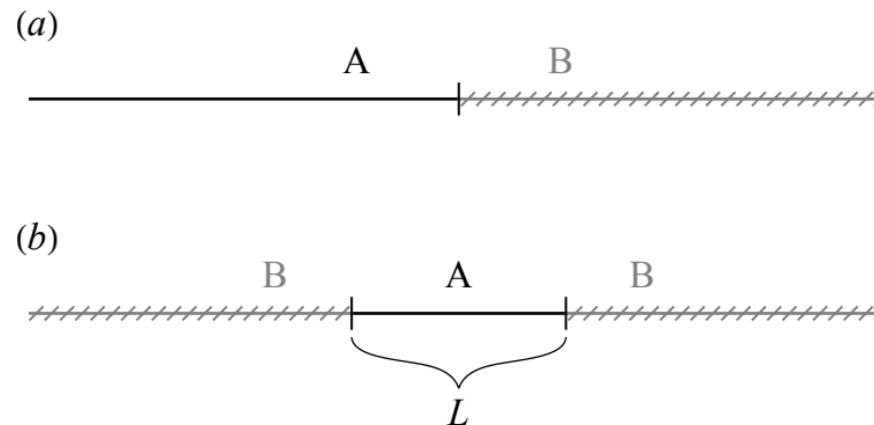
Screening of electric field, modification of the vacuum, growth of entanglement entropy!

What can we do to understand a possible approach to thermalization in our system?

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Let us start by examining the entanglement spectrum:



Entanglement
among the quark and
antiquark jet

Entanglement
among the central
region and the rest
of the system

The entanglement spectrum

$$S_{EE}(t) = -\text{Tr}_L[\rho_L(t) \ln \rho_L(t)] = - \sum_{i=1}^{2^{N/2}} \lambda_i \ln \lambda_i.$$

$$\rho_L(t) = \text{Tr}_R \rho(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{2^{N/2}} \lambda_i(t) |\psi_i^L(t)\rangle \langle \psi_i^L(t)|,$$

At late times, a huge number of entanglement eigenstates start to contribute, with comparable eigenvalues – approach to the **maximal entanglement and thermalization?**

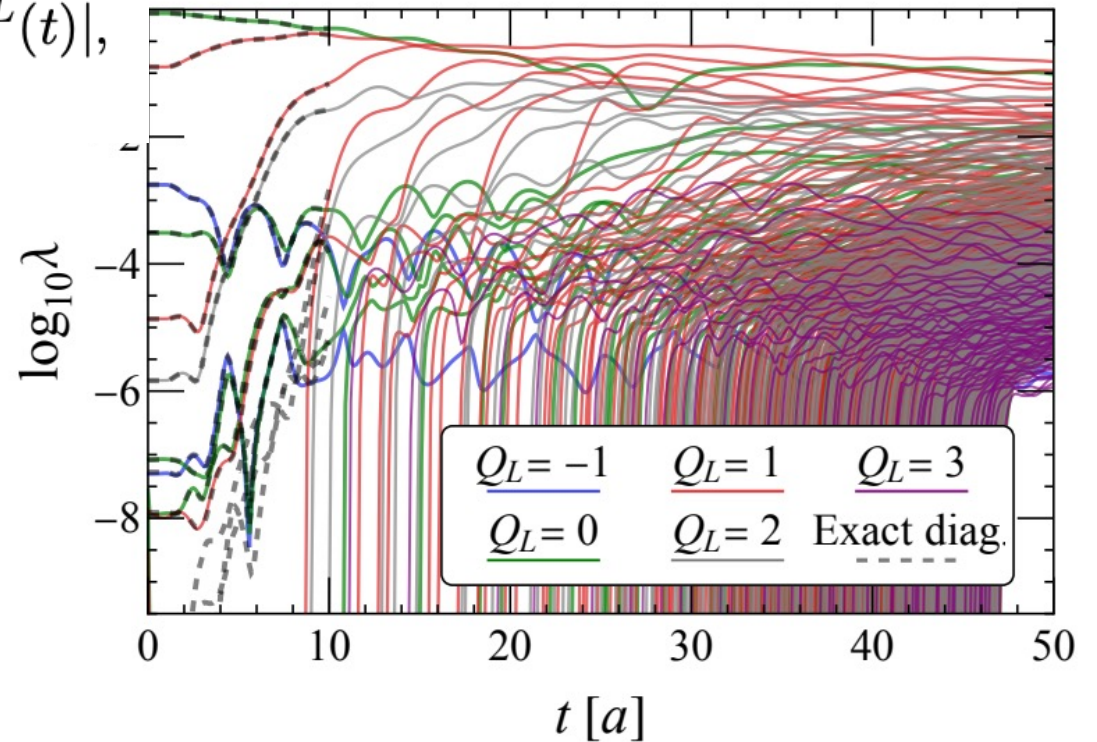


FIG. 2. Symmetry-resolved entanglement spectrum evolution for the lattice size $N = 100$, $m = 1/(4a)$, $g = 1/(2a)$. For comparison the spectrum obtained with exact diagonalization for $N = 20$ at the same mass and coupling is shown as dashed curves.

Tests of maximal entanglement

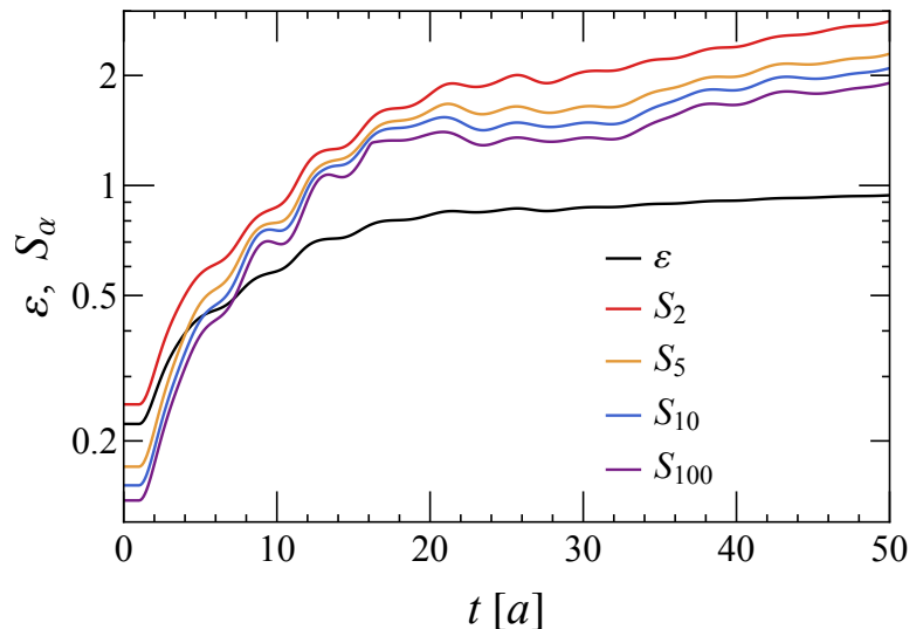
Rényi entropy

$$S_\alpha(t) \equiv \frac{\ln \text{Tr}_L(\rho_L(t)^\alpha)}{1 - \alpha} = \frac{\ln \sum_{i=1}^{2^{N/2}} \lambda_i^\alpha}{1 - \alpha}.$$

“Entangleness”

$$\mathcal{E} \equiv \frac{1 - \text{tr} \rho_L^2}{1 - 2^{-N/2}} = \frac{1 - \sum_{i=1}^{2^{N/2}} \lambda_i^2}{1 - 2^{-N/2}}.$$

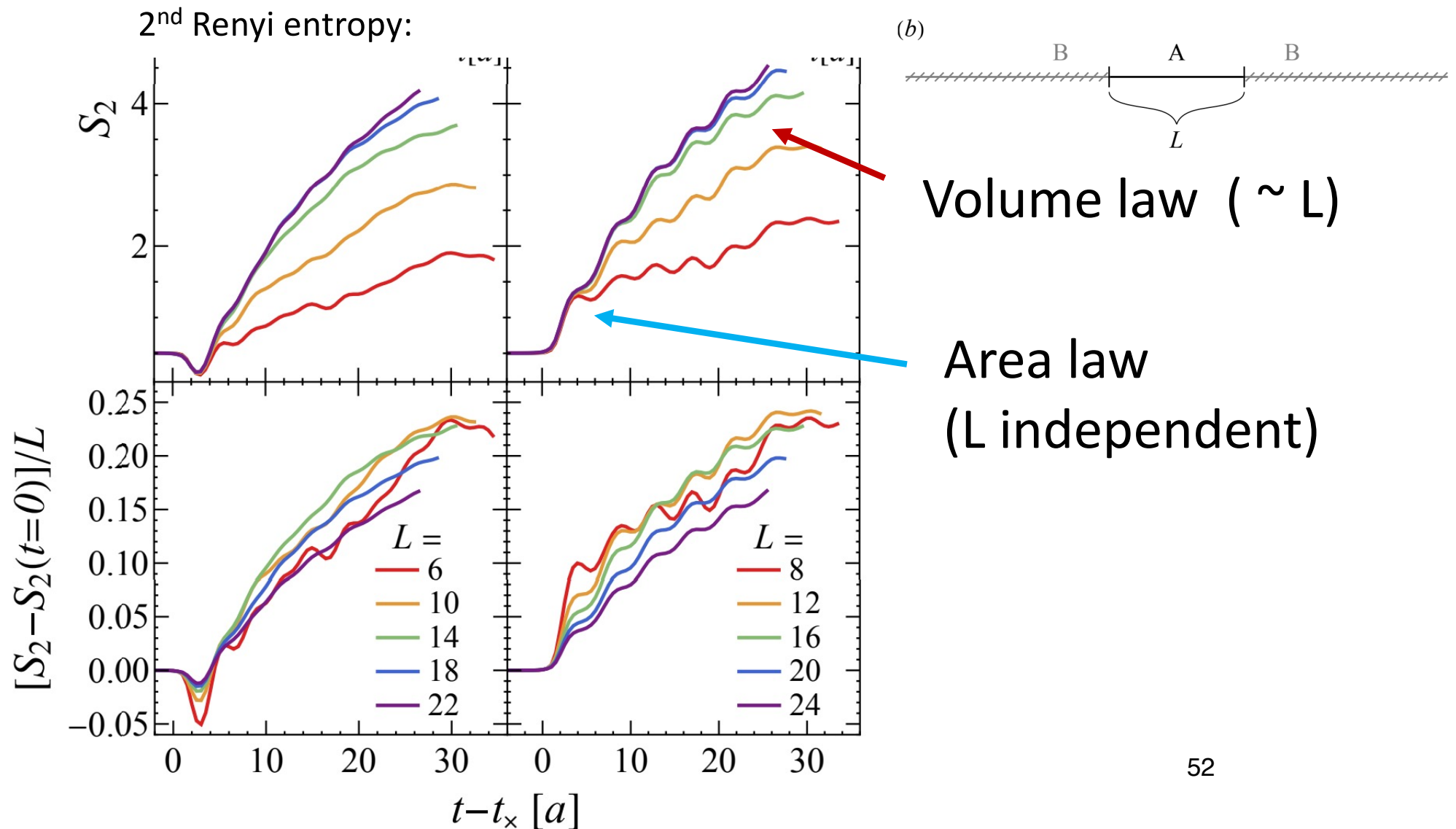
$$\mathcal{E}[\text{MES}] = 1.$$



Approach to
maximal entanglement!
(in a subspace of
the full Hilbert space)

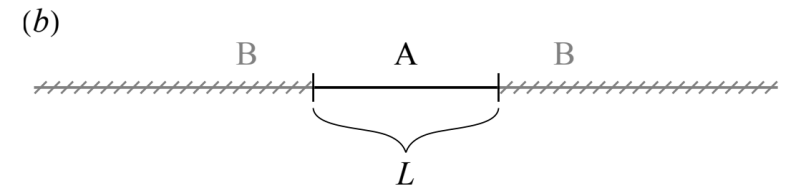
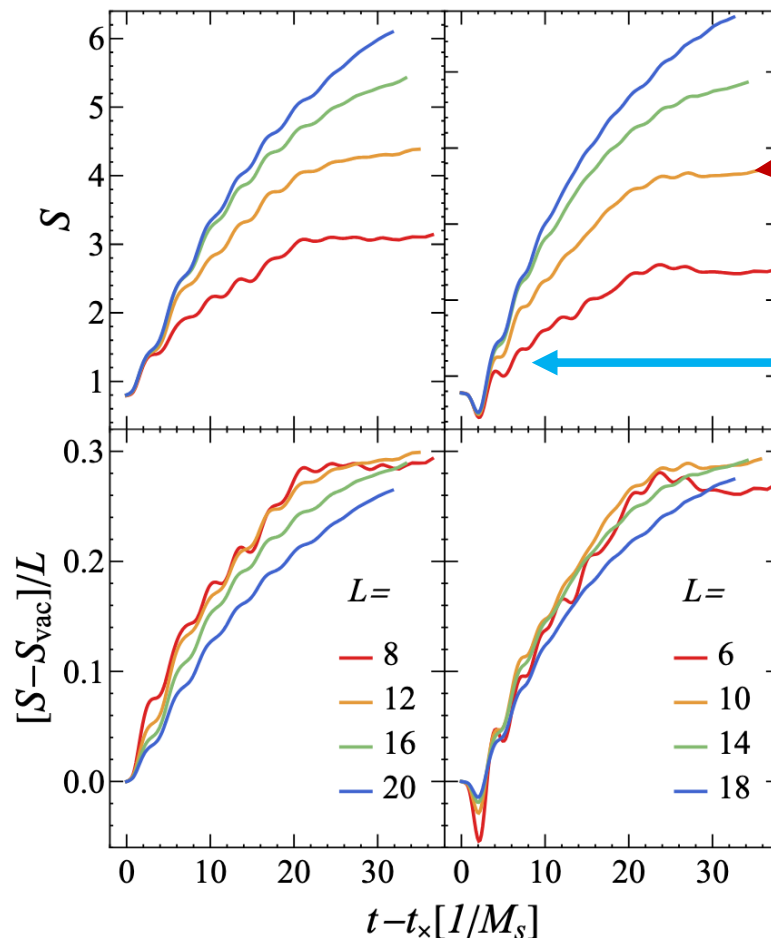
FIG. 3. Entangleness (black) and Rényi entropy with $\alpha = 2$ (red), 5 (gold), 10 (blue), and 100 (purple).

Transition from area to volume law scaling of entanglement



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von Neumann entropy:



Volume law ($\sim L$)

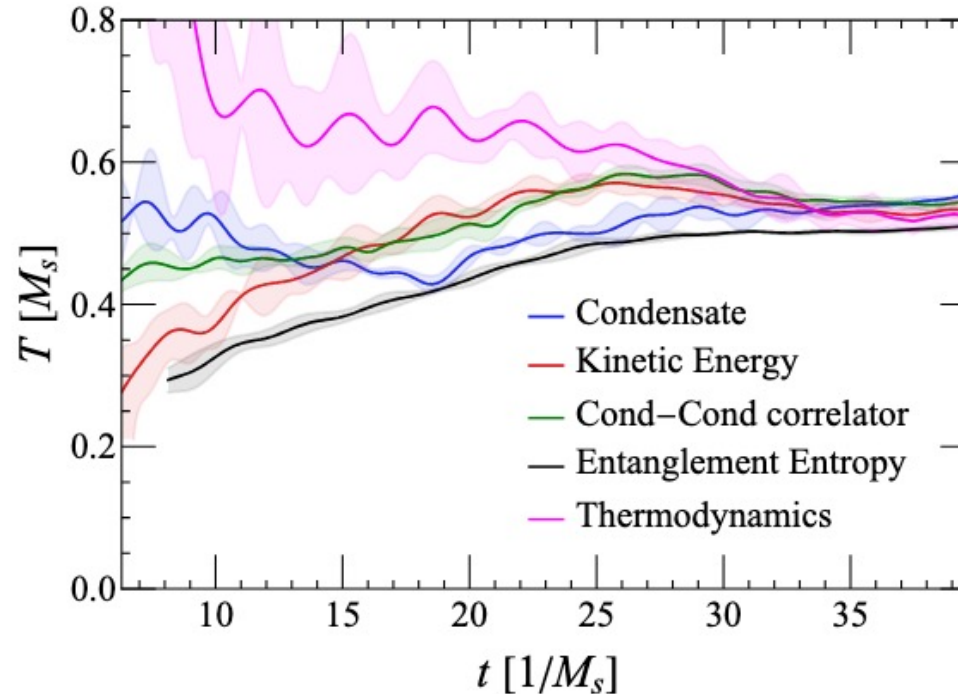
Area law
(L independent)

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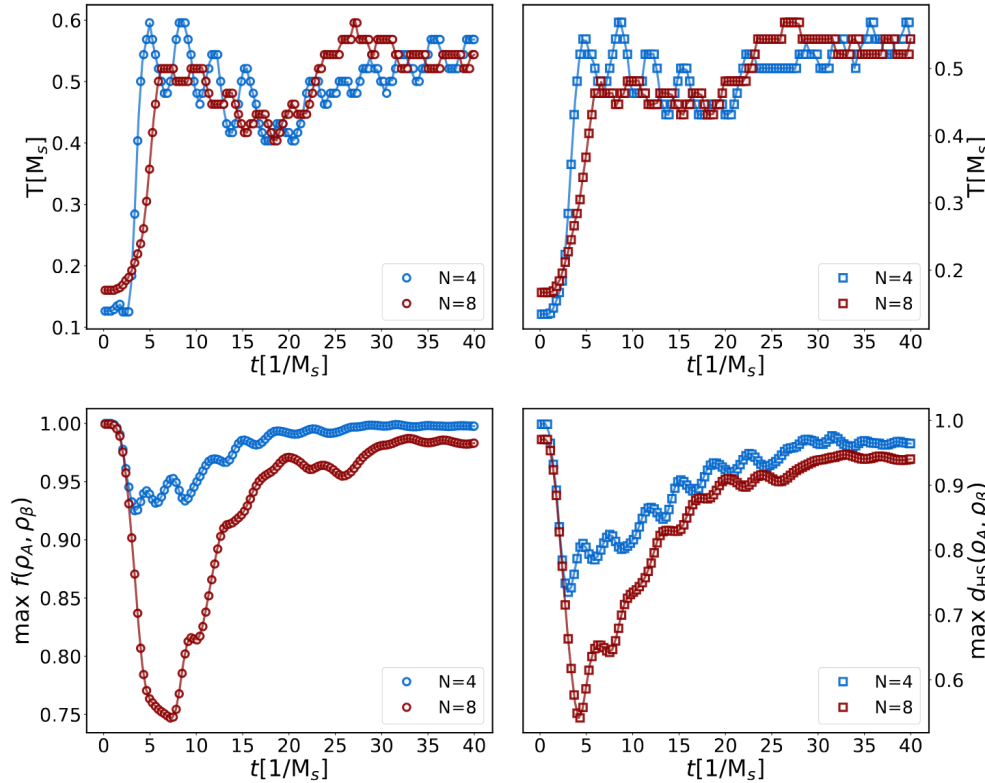
Expectation values of local operators approach the thermal ones



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Overlap with thermal density matrix approach the thermal ones



Overlap:

$$f(\rho_A, \rho_\beta) \equiv \frac{\text{Tr}(\rho_A \rho_\beta)}{\sqrt{\text{Tr} \rho_A^2 \text{Tr} \rho_\beta^2}}$$

Hilbert-Schmidt distance:

$$D_{HS}(\rho_A, \rho_\beta) = \sqrt{\text{Tr}[(\rho_A - \rho_\beta)^2]}.$$

$$d_{HS}(\rho_A, \rho_\beta) = 1 - D_{HS}(\rho_A, \rho_\beta)$$

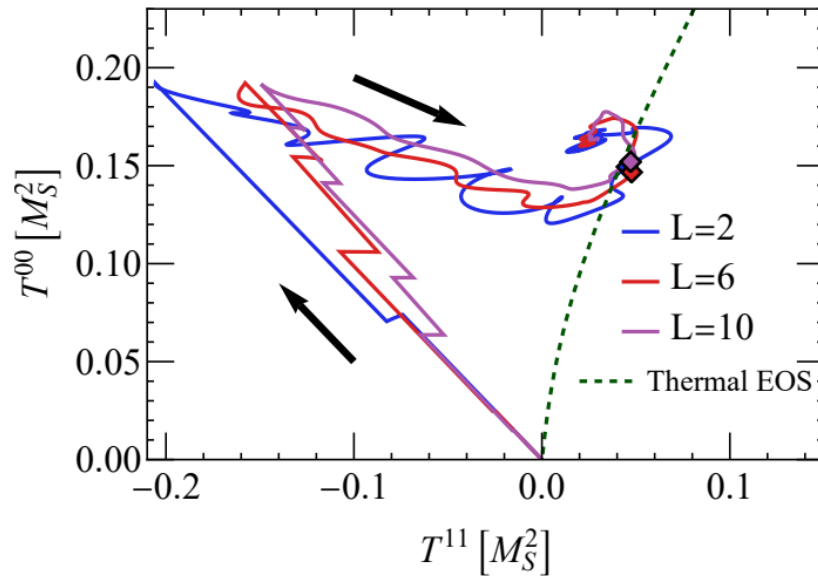
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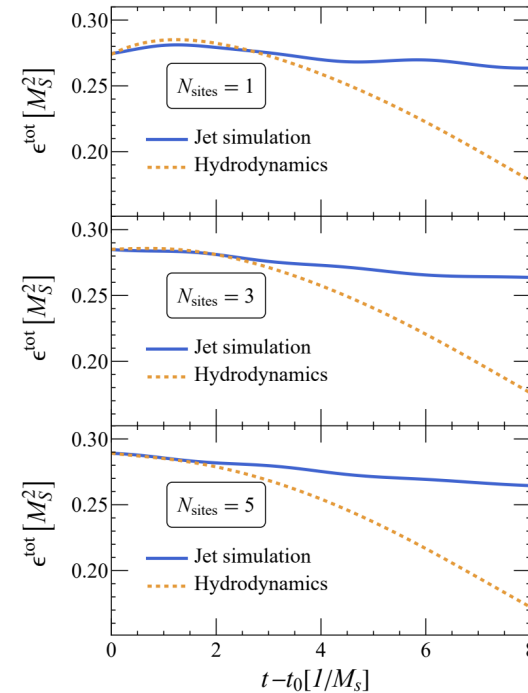
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The onset of hydrodynamics

Negative pressure at early times:



Hydro works once the pressure is positive and before “freeze-out”:



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The physical meaning of Schmidt states

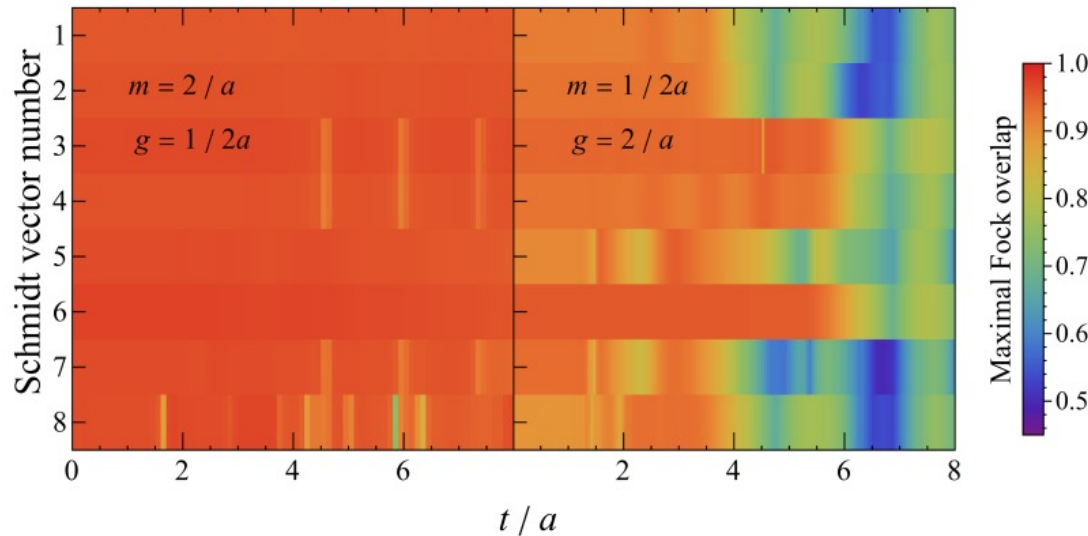


FIG. 5. Maximal overlap of each Schmidt vector with any Fock state. Comparison between $m = 2/a, g = 1/(2a)$ on the left panel and $m = 1/(2a), g = 2/a$ on the right panel is shown. In both cases, $N = 16$. To study continuous evolution, we choose to consider the 8 leading Schmidt vectors in the vacuum state at $t = 0$ and follow their evolution. Because of the level crossing in Schmidt spectrum, at later times these vectors are not necessarily the 8 leading Schmidt vectors.

Transition from
“quark-antiquark” states
at early times to
“mesons” at late times –

Hadronization seen in
real time!

Entanglement as a probe of hadronization

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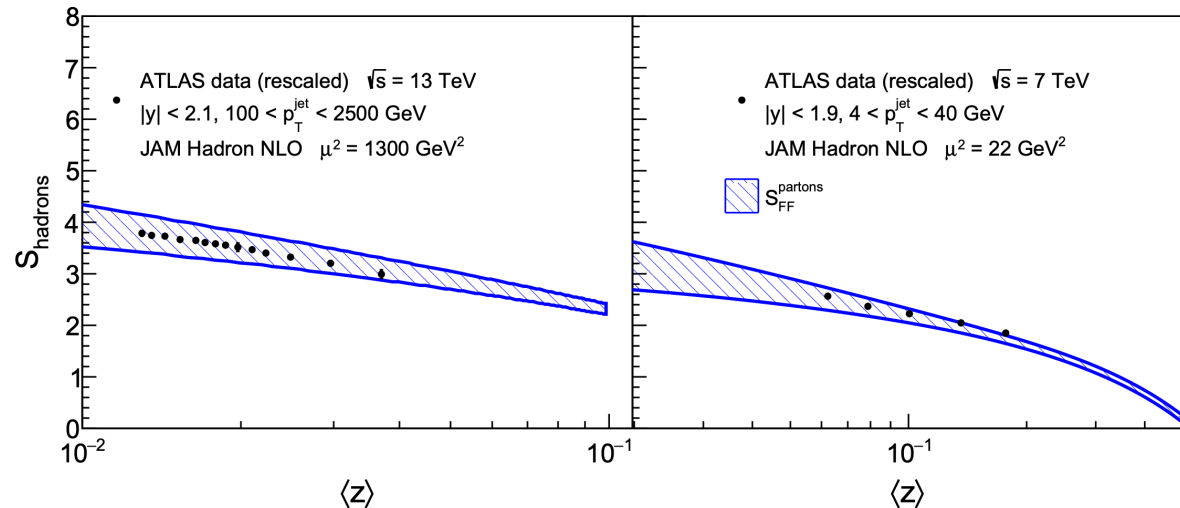
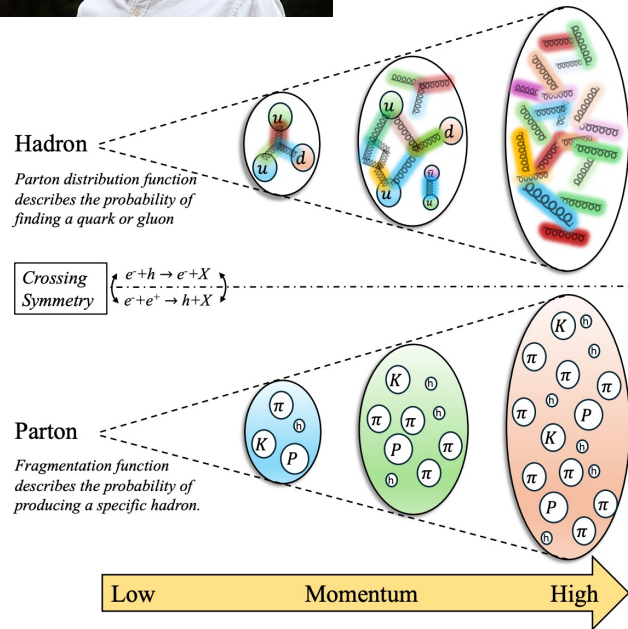
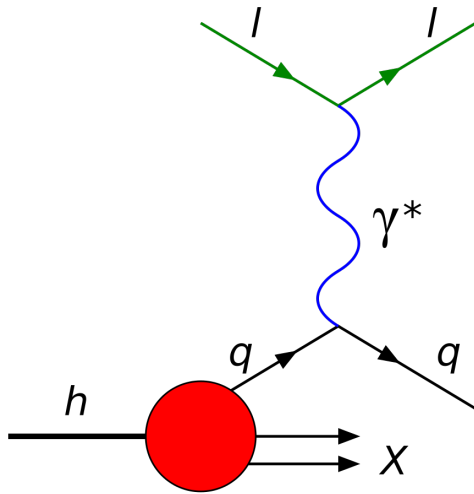


FIG. 3. The entropy S_{hadrons} as a function of $\langle z \rangle$ for $S_{\text{FF}}^{\text{partons}}$ — incorporating gluons, u -(anti)quarks, and d -(anti)quarks — is shown using JAM fragmentation functions at NLO for $\mu^2 = 1300$ GeV², compared with ATLAS data at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV [45] (left). Additionally, the results at $\mu^2 = 22$ GeV² are compared with ATLAS data at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV [43] (right). The uncertainties are calculated at the 1σ level. The total entropy $S_{\text{FF}}^{\text{partons}}$ is derived from the sum of the individual entropies of each parton, with each contribution normalized by the average fraction of jets produced by that parton from PYTHIA simulation.

The puzzle of the parton model



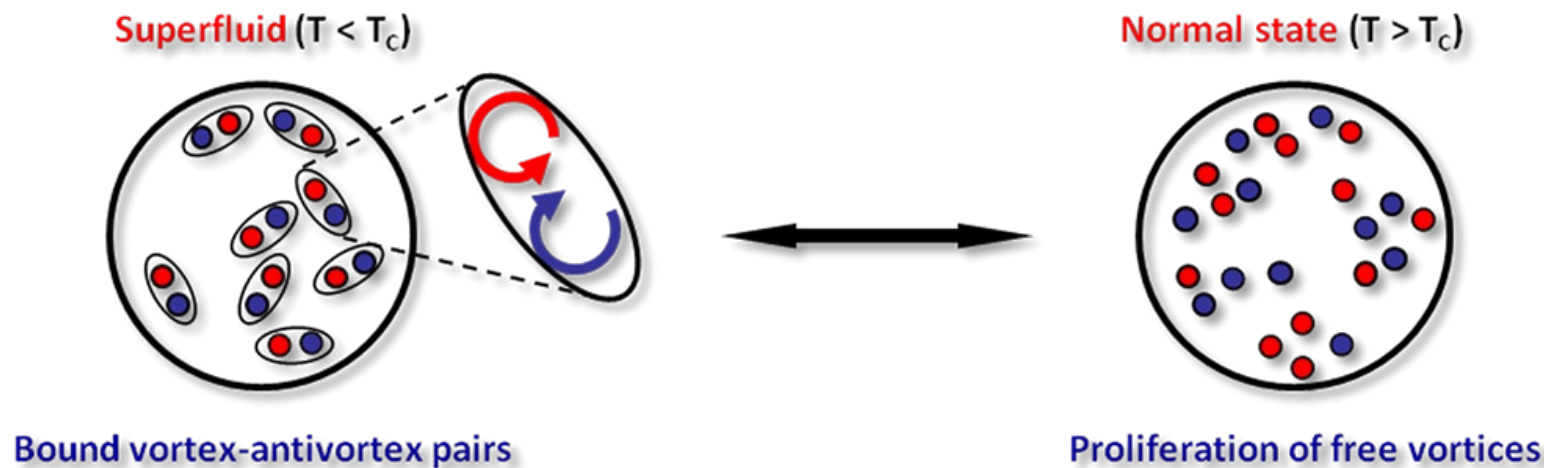
In parton model, the proton is pictured as a collection of point-like quasi-free partons that are frozen in the infinite momentum frame due to Lorentz dilation.

The DIS cross section is given by the incoherent sum of cross sections of scattering off individual partons.

How to reconcile this with quantum mechanics⁶⁰?

The puzzle of the parton model

In quantum mechanics, the proton is a pure state with zero entropy. Yet, a collection of free partons does possess entropy... Boosting to the infinite momentum frame does not help, as a Lorentz boost cannot transform a pure state into a mixed one.



The crucial importance of entropy in (2+1)D systems:
BKT phase transition (Nobel prize 2016)

Deep inelastic scattering as a probe of entanglement

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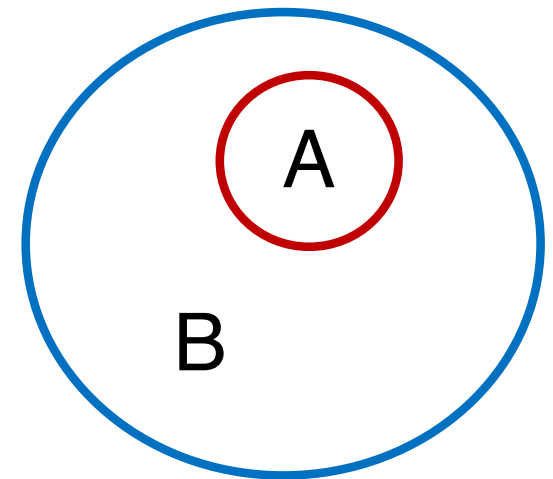
Our proposal: the key to solving this apparent paradox is entanglement.

DIS probes only a part of the proton's wave function (region A). We sum over unobserved region B; in quantum mechanics, this corresponds to accessing the density matrix of a mixed state

$$\hat{\rho}_A = \text{tr}_B \hat{\rho}$$

with a non-zero entanglement entropy

$$S_A = -\text{tr} [\hat{\rho}_A \ln \hat{\rho}_A]$$



The quantum mechanics of partons and entanglement

What is “region B” in DIS? It may be the phase!

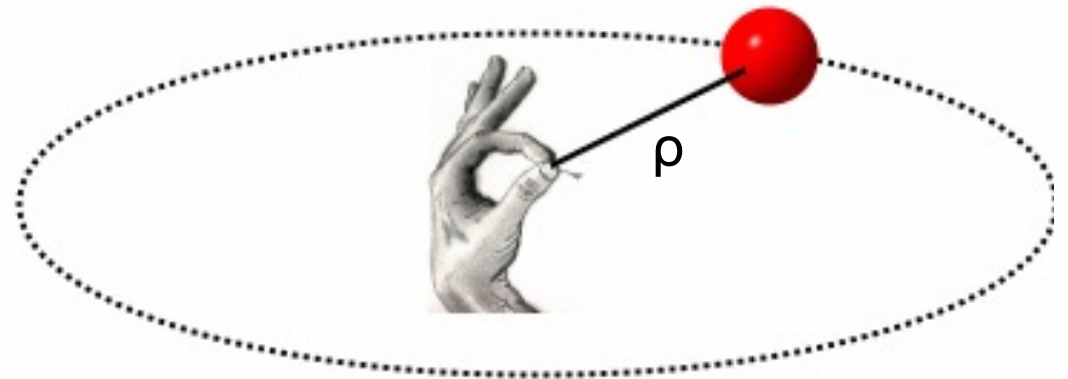
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DIS takes an instant snapshot of the proton's wave function. This snapshot cannot measure the phase of the wave function.

Classical analogy:

Instant snapshot can measure the amplitude ρ , but not the angular velocity ω !

$$z = \rho \exp(i\omega t)$$



The quantum mechanics of partons and entanglement

A simple quantum mechanical model (proton rest frame):

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Expand the proton wave
function in oscillator
Fock states:

$$|n\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} \prod_i^n a_i^\dagger |0\rangle,$$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_n \alpha_n |n\rangle,$$

The density matrix:

$$\hat{\rho} = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \sum_{n,n'} \alpha_n \alpha_{n'}^* |n\rangle\langle n'|,$$

depends on time:

$$\hat{\rho}(t) = \sum_{n,n'} e^{i(n'-n)\omega t} \hat{\rho}(t=0).$$

But this time dependence cannot be measured by a light front –
it crosses the hadron too fast, at time $t_{light} = R,$

Decoherence in high energy interactions

DK, Phil. Trans. Royal Soc (2022)

Therefore, the observed density matrix is a trace over an unobserved phase:

$$\hat{\rho}_{parton} = \text{Tr}_{\varphi} \hat{\rho} = \sum_{n,n'} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} e^{i(n'-n)\varphi} \alpha_n \alpha_{n'}^* |n\rangle \langle n'| = \sum_n |\alpha_n|^2 |n\rangle \langle n|.$$



U(1) Haar measure

“Haar scrambling” = decoherence
Y.Sekino, L.Susskind ‘08



After “Haar scrambling”,
the density matrix
becomes diagonal
in parton basis
(Schmidt basis) –

Probabilistic parton
model!

**This is a density matrix of a mixed state,
with non-zero entanglement entropy!**

The quantum mechanics of partons and entanglement

The parton model density matrix:

$$\hat{\rho}_{parton} = \sum_n p_n |n\rangle\langle n|$$

is mixed, with purity

$$\gamma_{parton} = \text{Tr}(\rho_{parton}^2) = \sum_n p_n^2 < 1.$$

entanglement entropy

$$S_E = - \sum_n p_n \ln p_n$$

Parton model expressions
for expectation values
of operators:

$$\langle \hat{\mathcal{O}} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\mathcal{O}} \hat{\rho}_{parton}) = \sum_n p_n \langle n | \hat{\mathcal{O}} | n \rangle;$$

The quantum mechanics of partons and entanglement on the light cone

The density matrix on the light cone:

$$\hat{\rho} = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \sum_{n,n'} \int d\Gamma_n d\Gamma_{n'} \Psi_{n'}^*(x_{i'}, \vec{k}_{\perp i'}) \Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}) |n\rangle\langle n'|.$$

Haar scrambling: on the light cone, $t_i - z_i = x_i^- = 0$,
but t , z and $x^+ = z + t$ cannot be independently
determined:

$$\int \frac{dx^+}{2\pi} e^{i(P_n^- - P_{n'}^-)x^+} = \delta(P_n^- - P_{n'}^-),$$



$$\hat{\rho}_{parton} = \text{Tr}_{x^+} |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \sum_n \int d\Gamma_n |\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i})|^2 |n\rangle\langle n|,$$

Phase-occupation number uncertainty relation and parton model

$$\Delta\phi\Delta n \geq \frac{1}{2}|\langle\Psi|[\hat{\phi},\hat{n}]|\Psi\rangle|$$

High energies – phase cannot be measured, number is fixed:

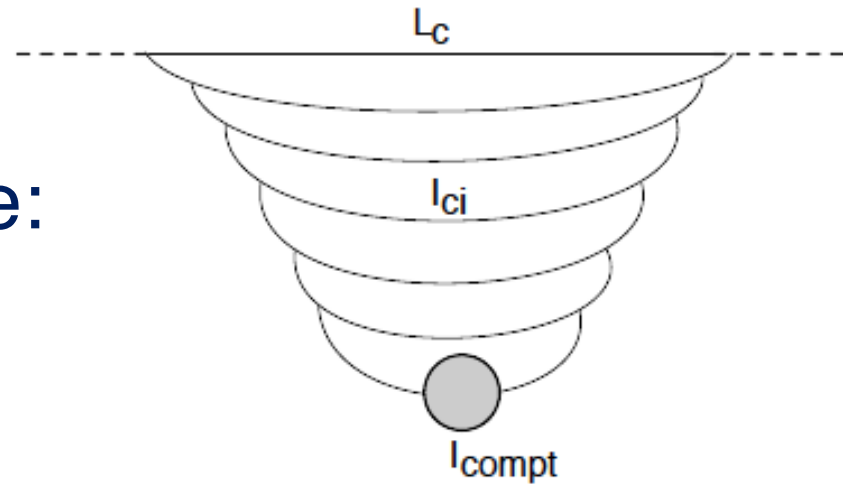
parton model applies

Low energies - phase shifts can be measured, number is uncertain:

parton model does not apply

The entanglement entropy from QCD evolution

Space-time picture
in the proton's rest frame:



The evolution equation:

$$\frac{dP_n(Y)}{dY} = -\Delta n P_n(Y) + (n-1)\Delta P_{n-1}(Y)$$

The entanglement entropy from QCD evolution

$$\frac{dP_n(Y)}{dY} = -\Delta n P_n(Y) + (n-1)\Delta P_{n-1}(Y)$$

Solve by using the generating function method

(A.H. Mueller '94; E. Levin, M. Lublinsky '04):

$$Z(Y, u) = \sum_n P_n(Y) u^n.$$

Solution:

$$P_n(Y) = e^{-\Delta Y} (1 - e^{-\Delta Y})^{n-1}.$$

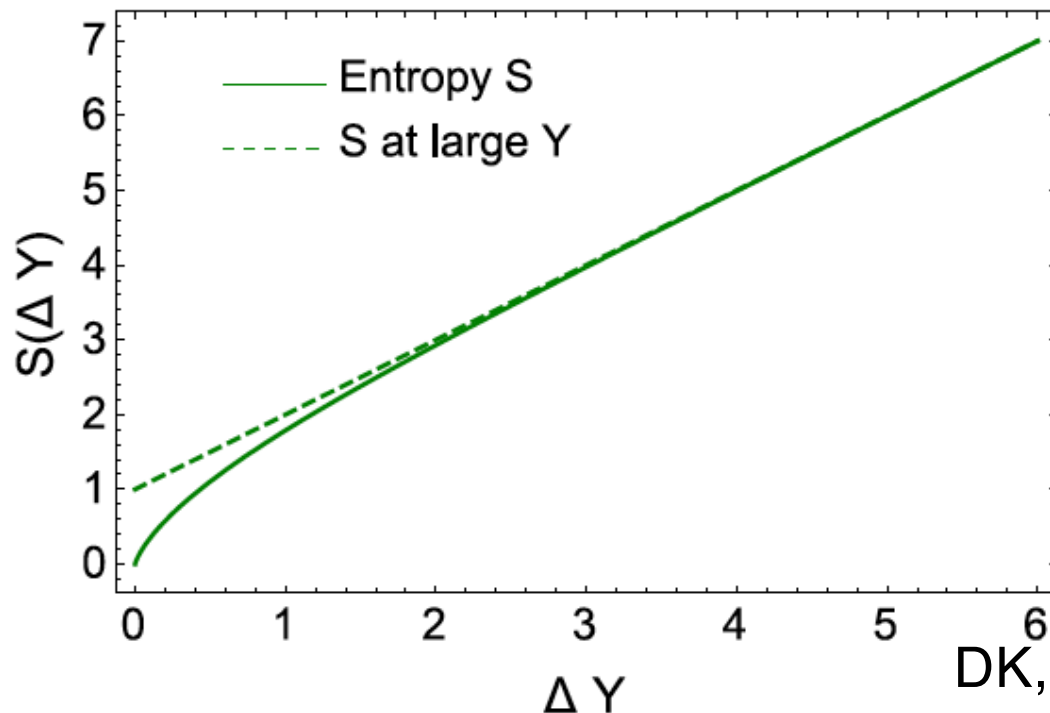
The resulting von Neumann entropy is

$$S(Y) = \ln(e^{\Delta Y} - 1) + e^{\Delta Y} \ln \left(\frac{1}{1 - e^{-\Delta Y}} \right)$$

The entanglement entropy from QCD evolution

At large ΔY , the entropy becomes

$$S(Y) \rightarrow \Delta Y$$



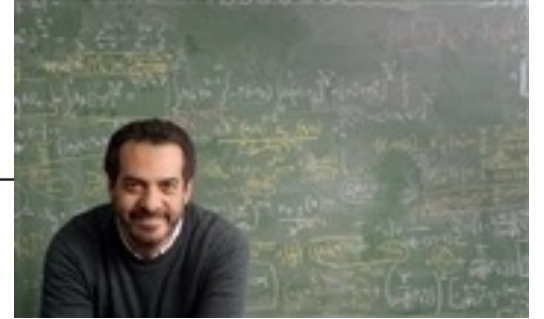
This “asymptotic”
regime starts rather
early, at

$$\Delta Y \simeq 2$$

DK, E. Levin, arXiv:1702.03489; PRD
Also: K. Kutak, arXiv:1103.3654

Linear dependence on rapidity is a consequence of (approximate) conformal invariance:

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Universal rapidity scaling of entanglement entropy inside hadrons from conformal invariance

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description. In this paper, we use an effective conformal field theoretic description of hadrons on the light cone to show that the linear dependence of the entanglement entropy on rapidity found in parton description is a general consequence of approximate conformal invariance and does not depend on the assumption of weak coupling. Our result also provides further evidence for a duality between the parton and string descriptions of hadrons.

$$S_A = \frac{c}{6} \Delta\eta + \dots,$$

The entanglement entropy from QCD evolution

At large ΔY ($x \sim 10^{-3}$) the relation between the entanglement entropy and the structure function

$$xG(x) = \langle n \rangle = \sum_n n P_n(Y) = \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^\Delta$$

becomes very simple:

$$S = \ln[xG(x)]$$

The entanglement entropy from QCD evolution

What is the physics behind this relation?

$$S = \ln[xG(x)]$$

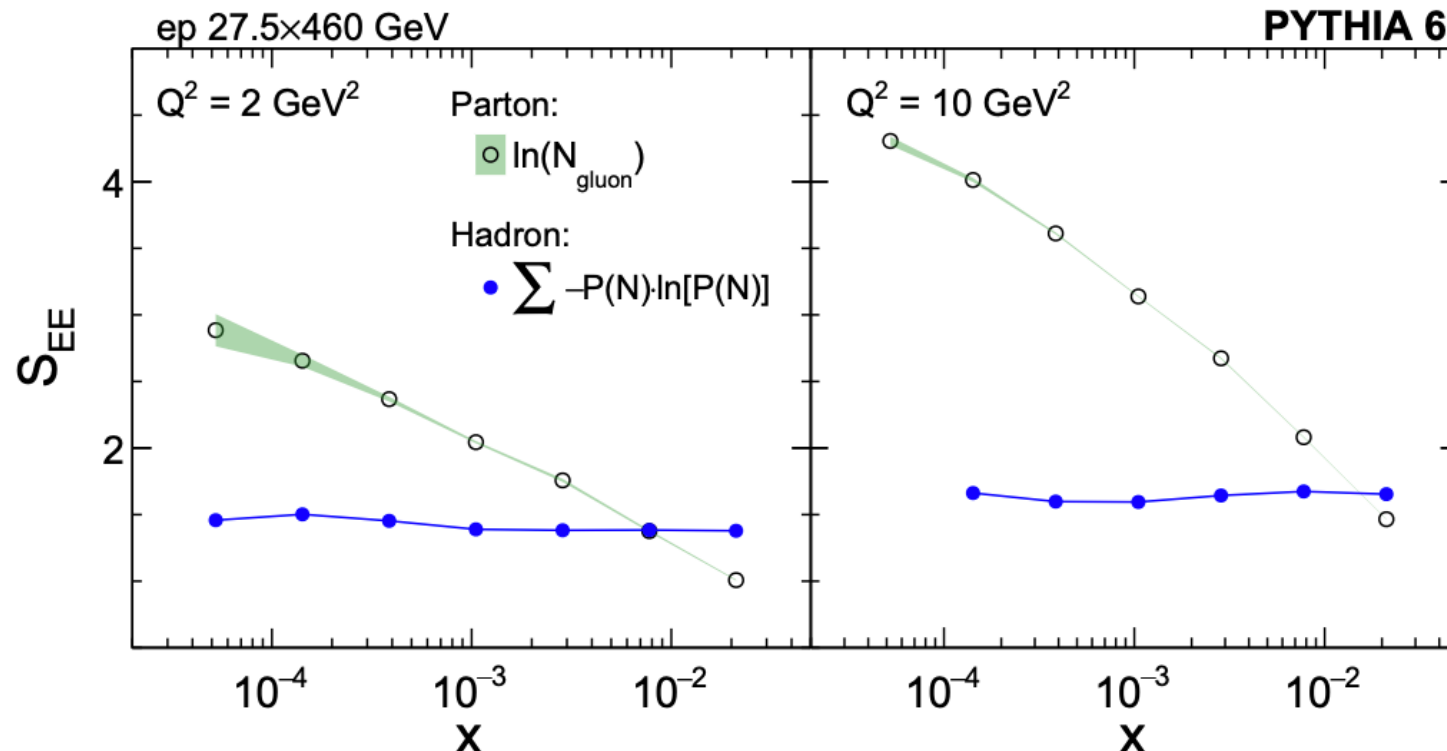
It signals that all $\exp(\Delta Y)$ partonic states have about equal probabilities $\exp(-\Delta Y)$ – in this case the **entanglement entropy is maximal**, and the proton is a **maximally entangled state** (a new look at the parton saturation and CGC?)

Test of the entanglement at the LHC

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Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen Paradox and Quantum Entanglement at Subnucleonic Scales

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MC generator PYTHIA: $S = \ln[xG(x)]$

is not satisfied at small x (no entanglement)

Test of the entanglement at the LHC

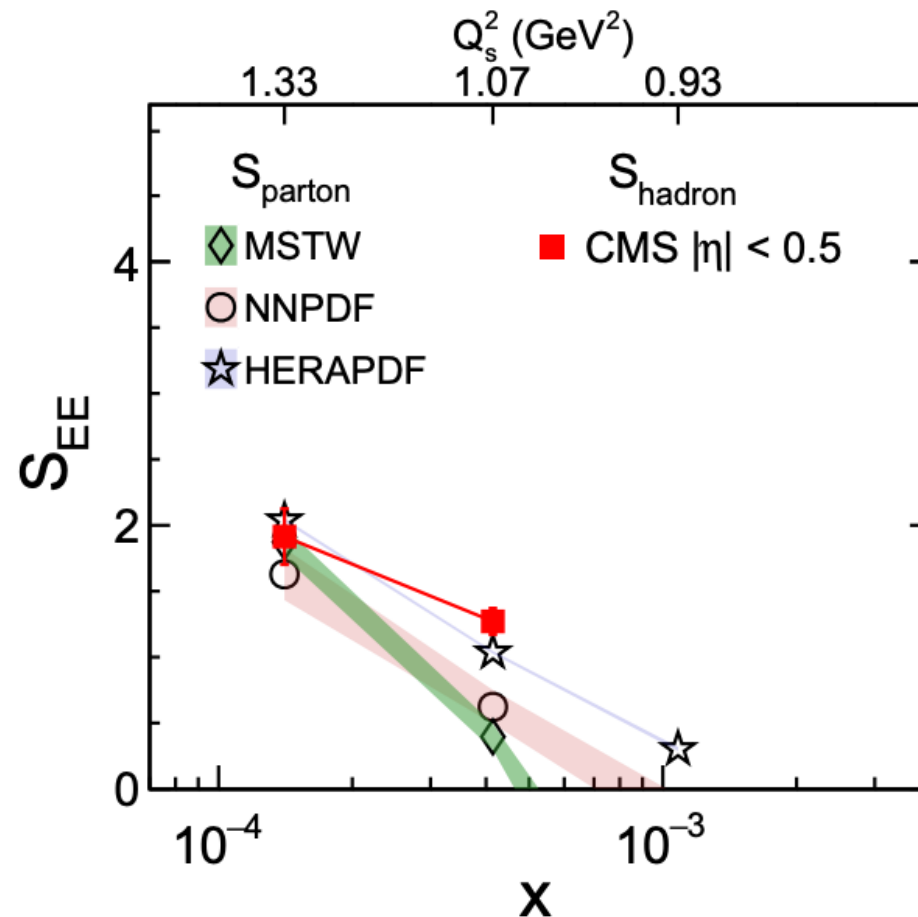
LHC data:

arXiv:1904.11974

$$S = \ln[xG(x)]$$

is satisfied at small x (entanglement?!)

K. Tu, DK, T. Ullrich,
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PRL (2020)



Evidence for the maximally entangled low x proton in Deep Inelastic Scattering from H1 data

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Abstract

We investigate the proposal by Kharzeev and Levin of a maximally entangled proton wave function in Deep Inelastic Scattering at low x and the proposed relation between parton number and final state hadron multiplicity. Contrary to the original formulation we determine partonic entropy from the sum of gluon and quark distribution functions at low x , which we obtain from an unintegrated gluon distribution subject to next-to-leading order Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov evolution. We find for this framework very good agreement with H1 data. We furthermore provide a comparison based on NNPDF parton distribution functions at both next-to-next-to-leading order and next-to-next-to-leading with small x resummation, where the latter provides an acceptable description of data.

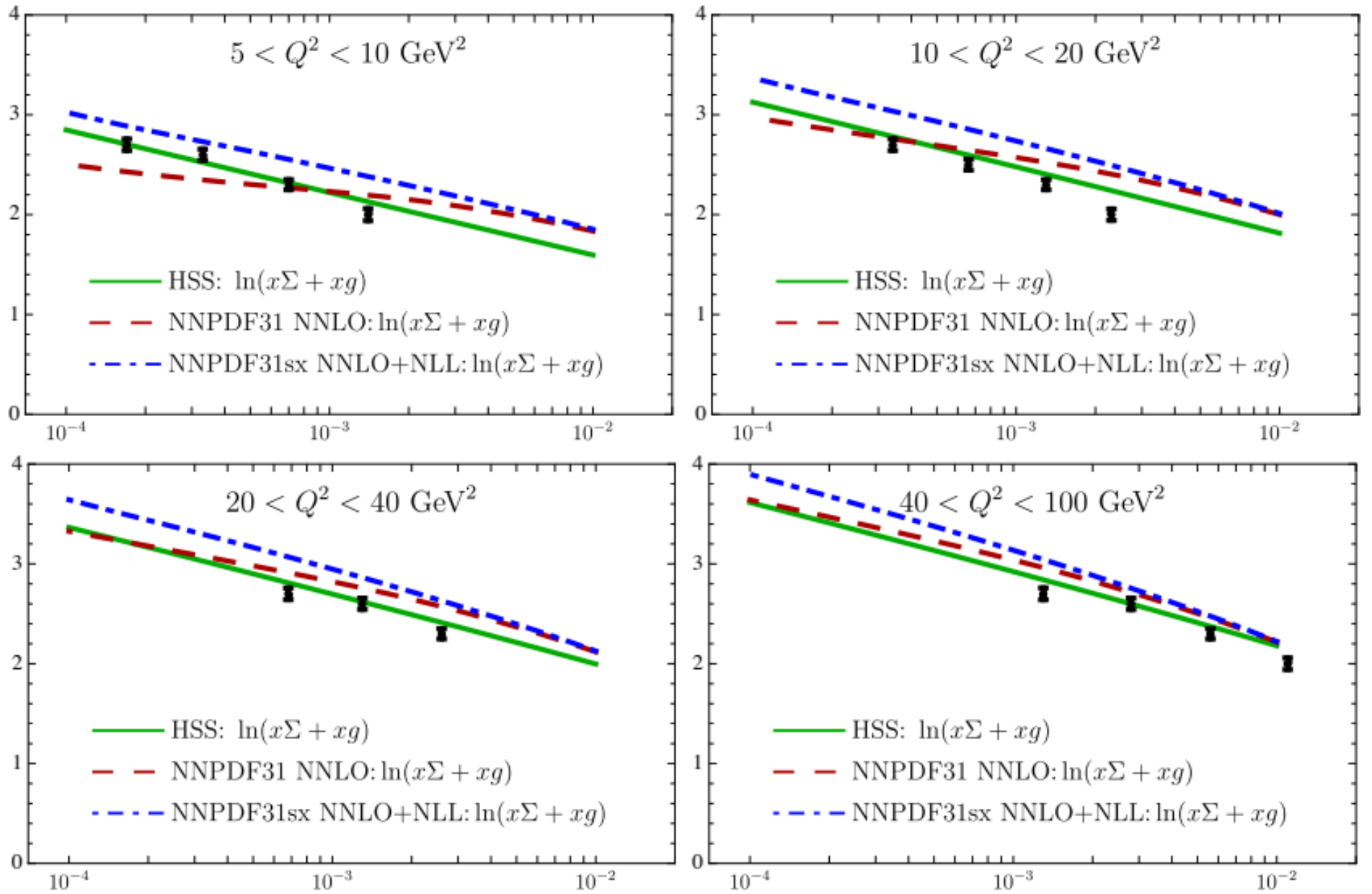


Figure 1: Partonic entropy versus Bjorken x , as given by Eq. (1) and Eq. (2). We further show results based on the gluon distribution only as well as a comparison to NNPDFs. Results are compared to the final state hadron entropy derived from the multiplicity distributions measured at H1 [19]

Maximal entanglement: experimental tests at HERA and EIC



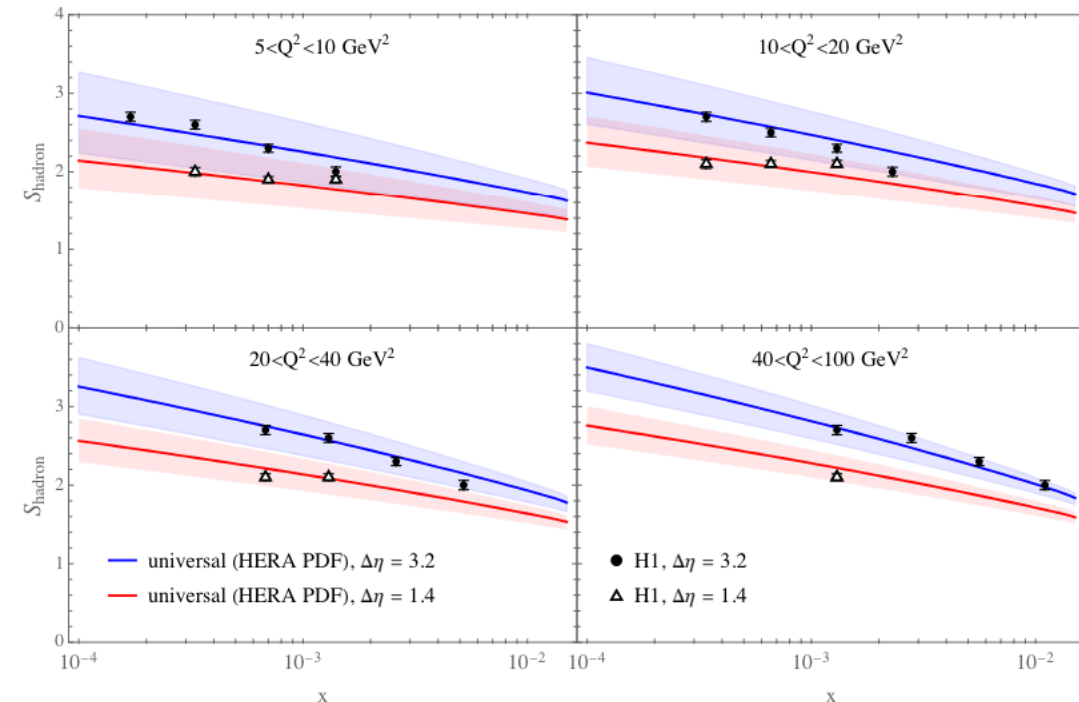
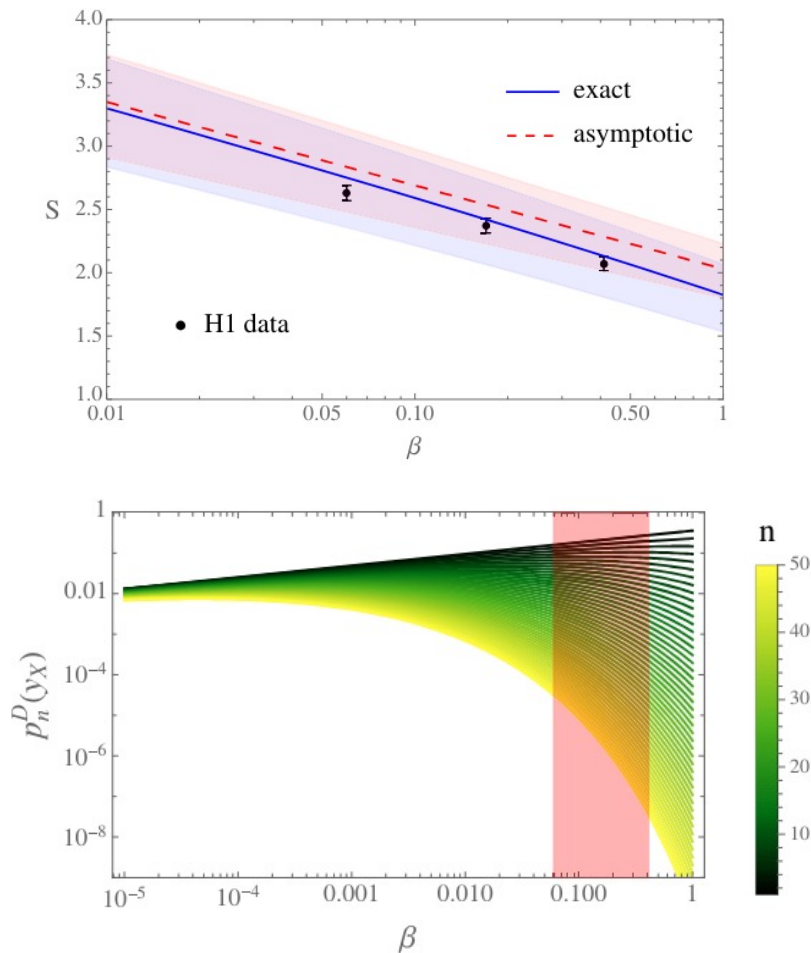
Probing the Onset of Maximal Entanglement inside the Proton in
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QCD evolution of entanglement entropy

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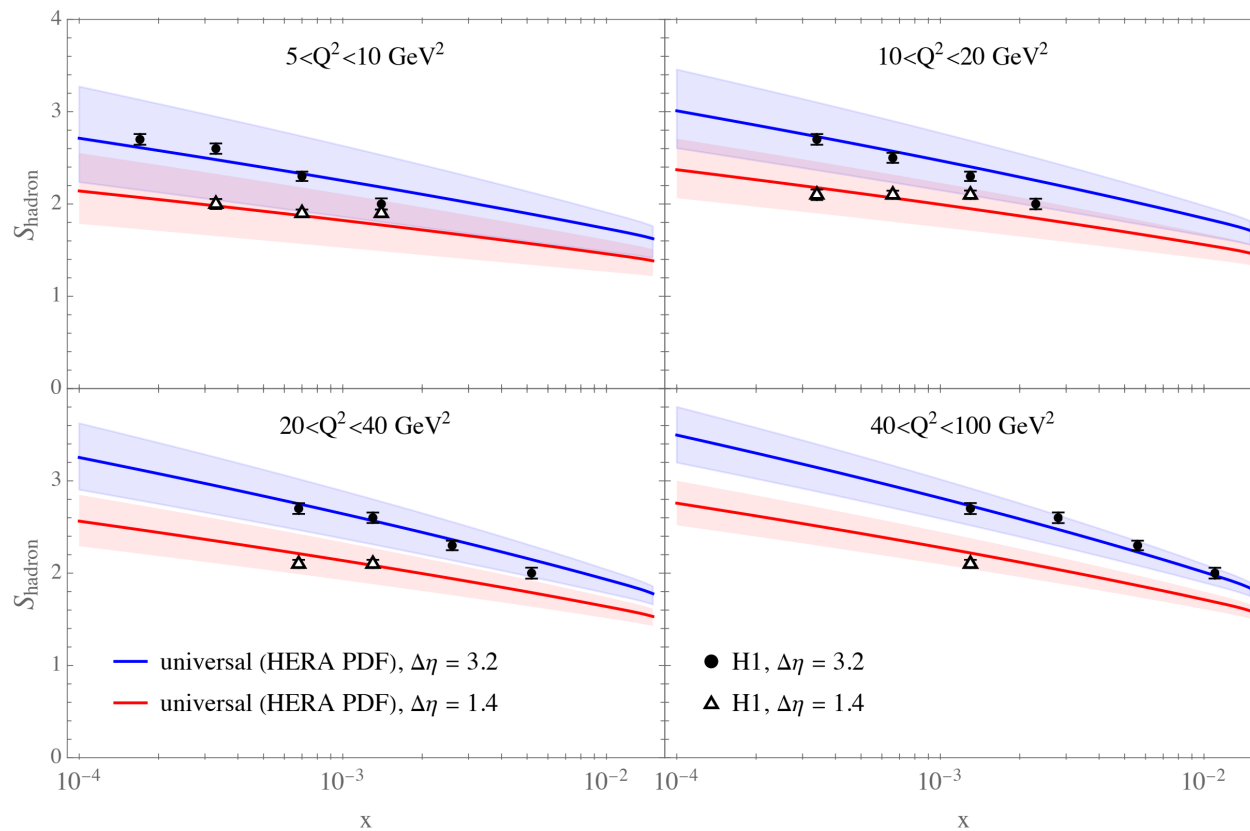
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Maximal entanglement agrees with H1 measurements in different rapidity windows

Summary:

- Fundamental research in physics has been, and will continue to drive the quantum technology
- Deep connection emerges between entanglement and thermalization in statistical physics – fundamentally interesting, crucially important for technology (decoherence, quantum AI/ML)
- Studies of real-time behavior of quantum field theories relevant for nuclear/high energy/condensed matter physics are key to understanding thermalization, and ways to control it