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Abstract: In her December 2 Perimeter Public Lecture webcast, Hallberg will explore examples of emergent phenomena and demonstrate how we can tackle these problems using quantum information to filter the most relevant data. By advancing research in this field, we hope to seed advances with applications from medical equipment and new materials to efficient energy generation, transportation, and storage.

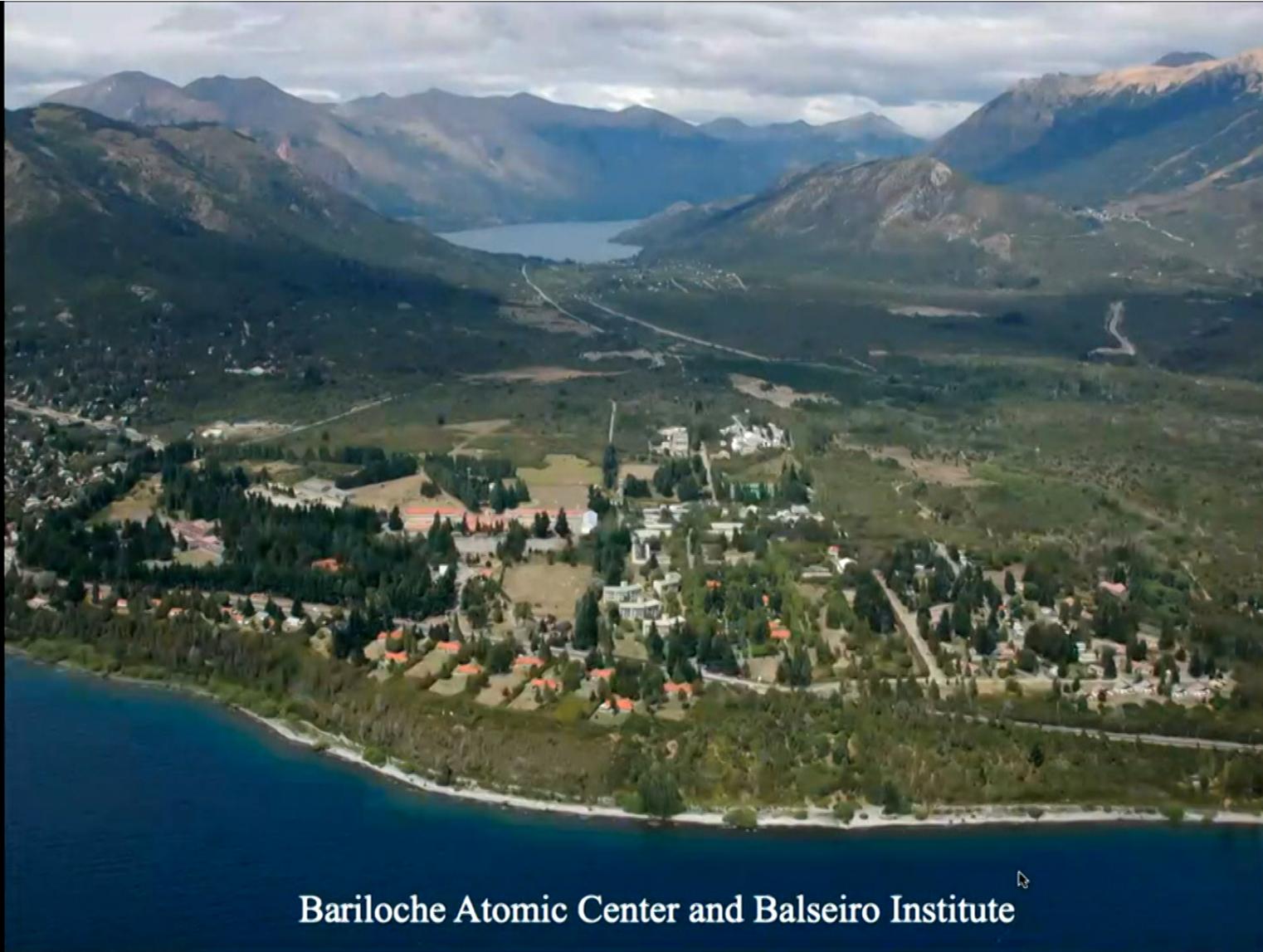
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The fascinating and weird world of quantum matter

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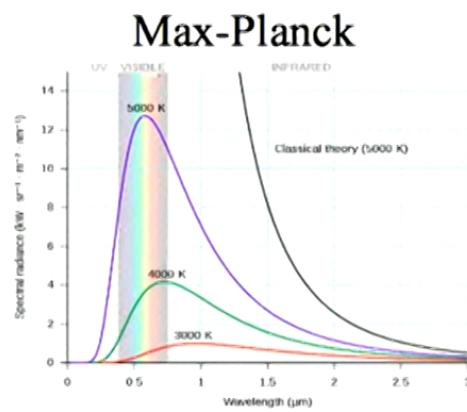
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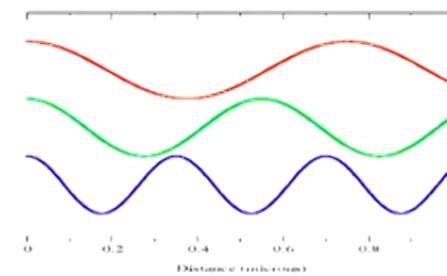


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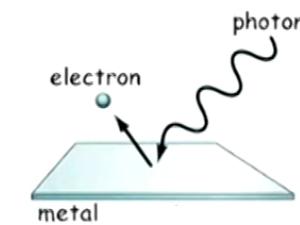
1905 photoelectric effect



Albert Einstein

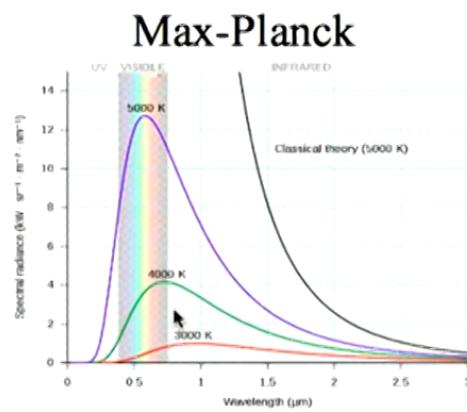


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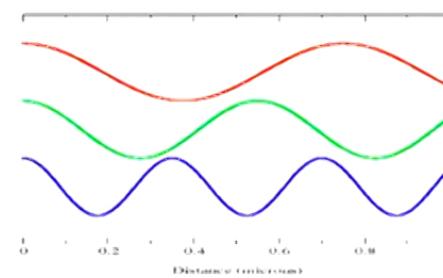


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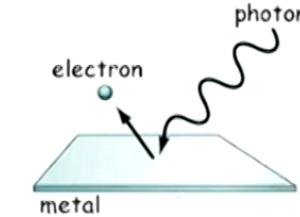
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Light as a particle?
Photons!

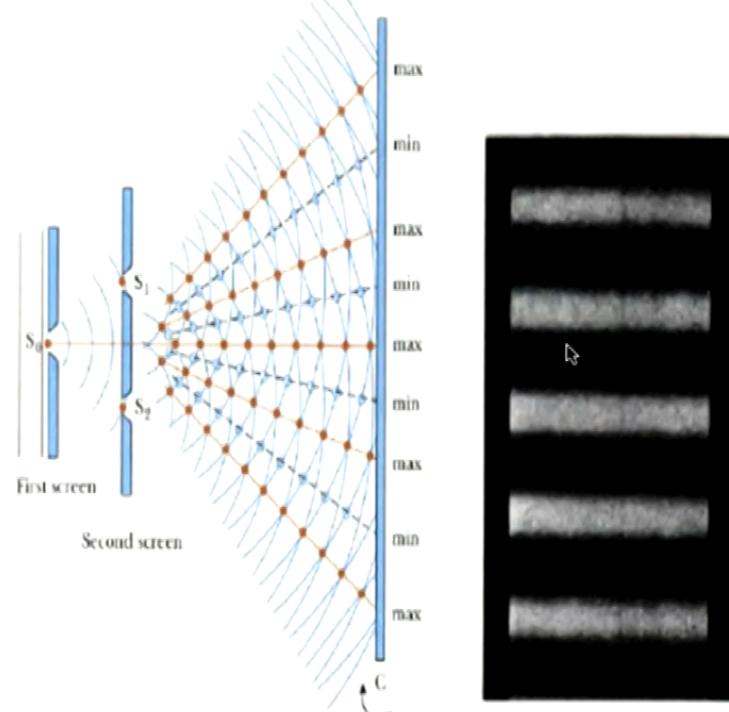


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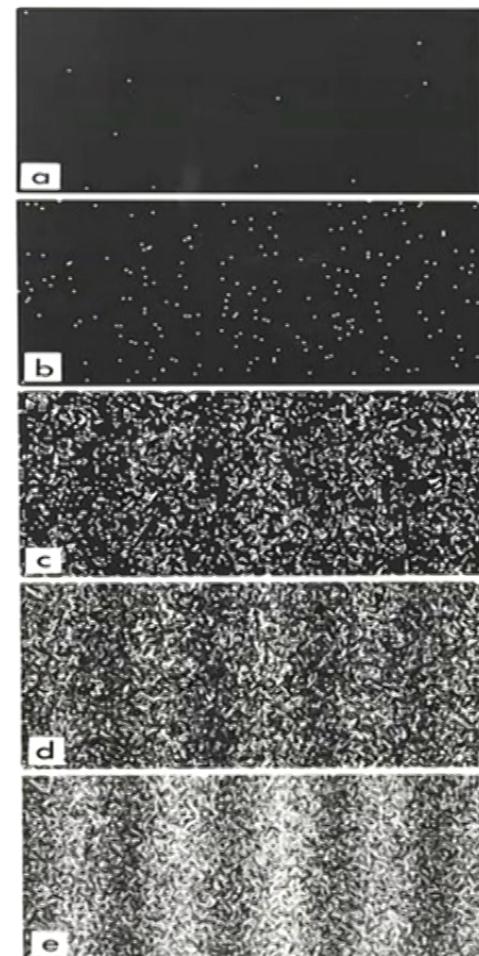
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Particles as waves? Young's double slit experiment!



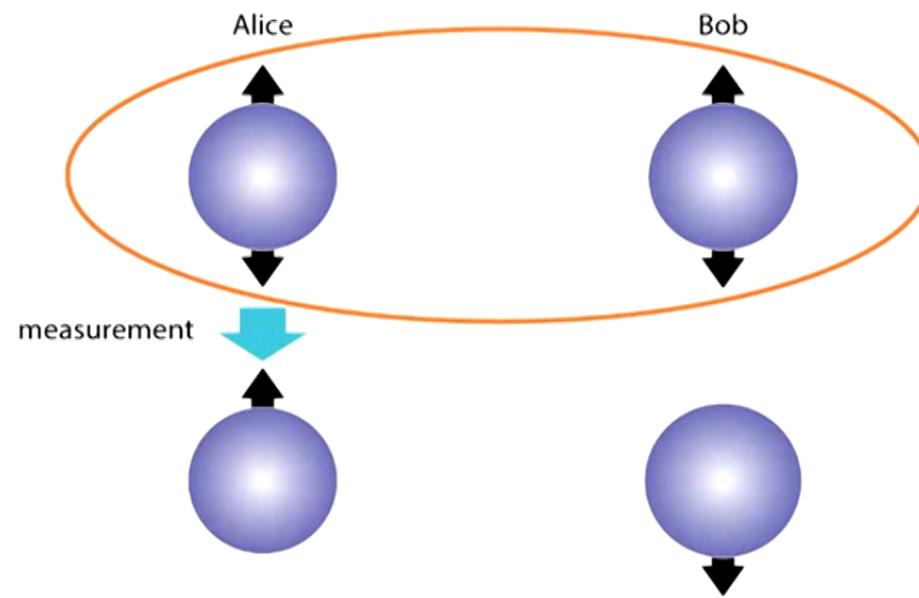
$$\lambda = \frac{h}{mv}$$

electron $\lambda \cong 0.1\text{nm}$

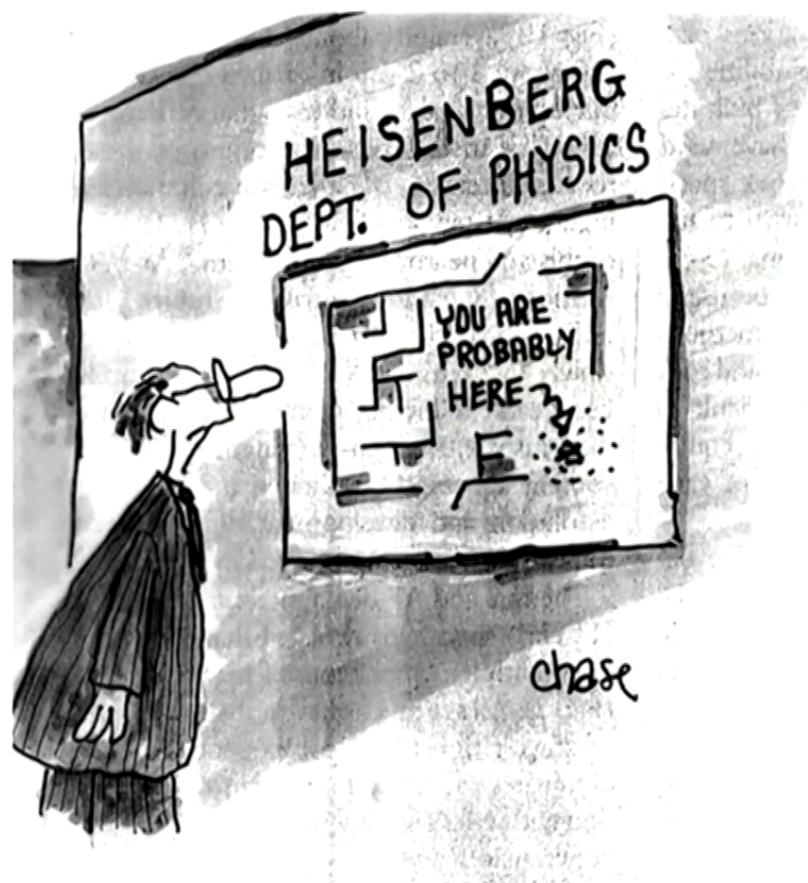


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Entanglement!

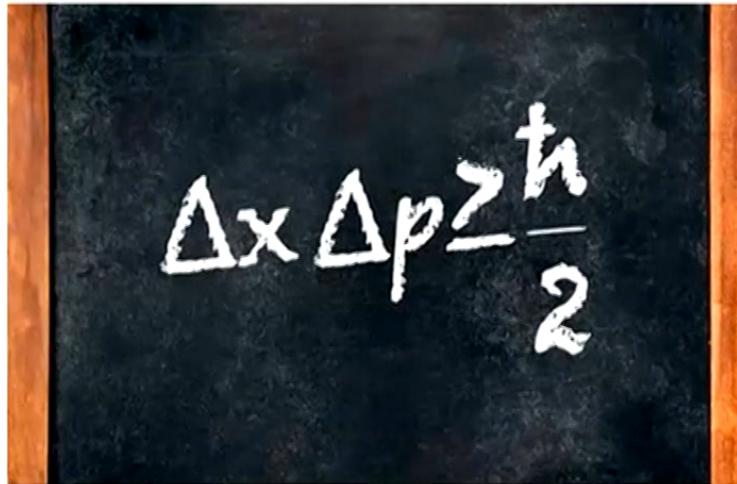


Uncertainty!



1927 Werner Heisenberg

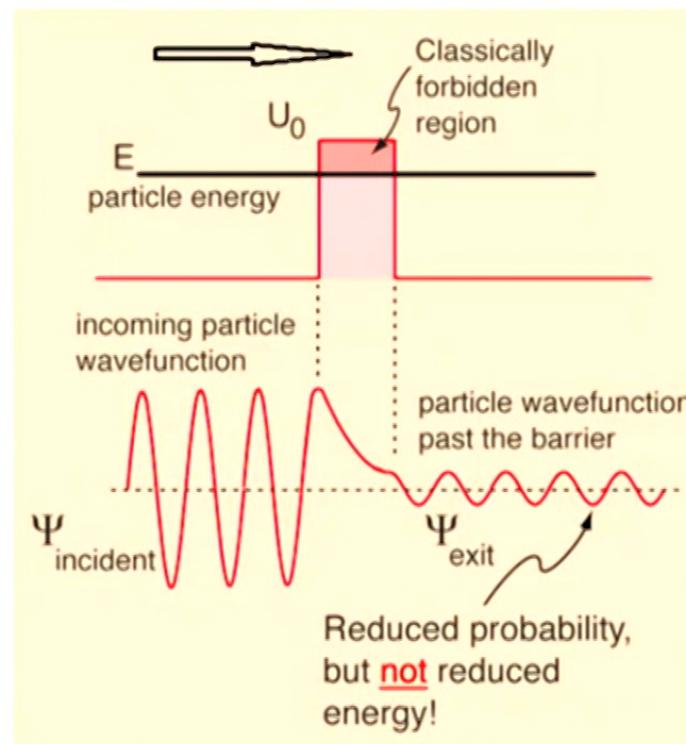
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$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$
A photograph of a chalkboard with the mathematical expression for the Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle written on it. The expression is $\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$, where Δx and Δp are the uncertainties in position and momentum respectively, and \hbar is the reduced Planck constant. The chalkboard has two vertical wooden supports on either side.

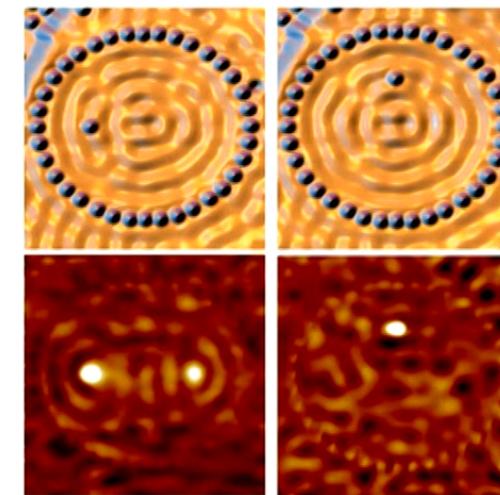
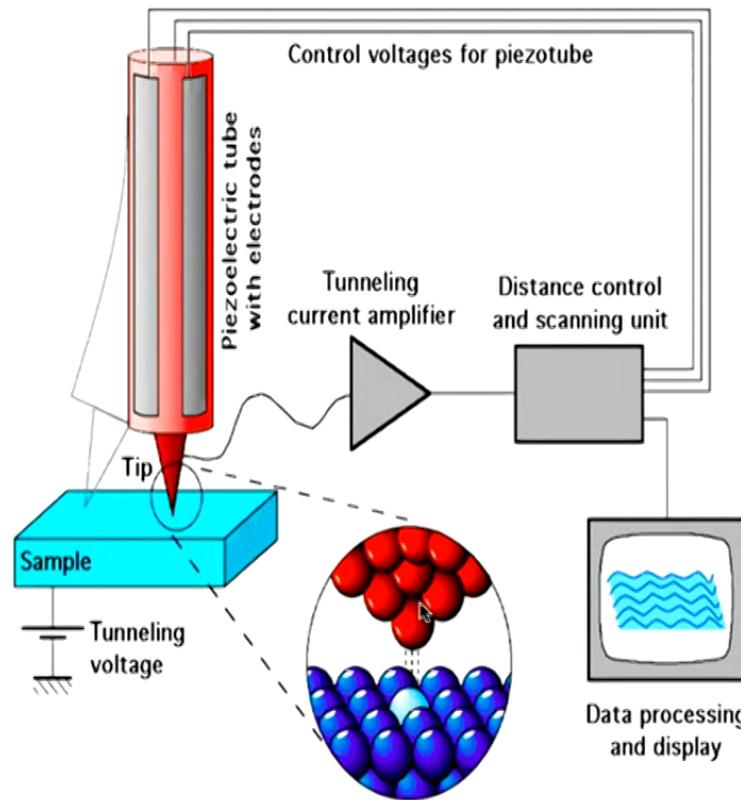


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Tunneling!

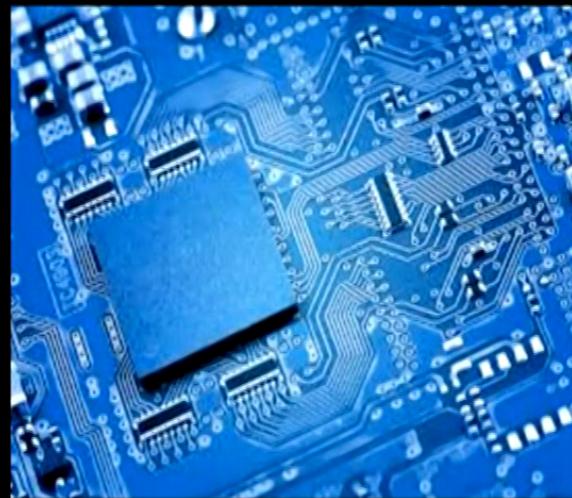


STM and electronic surface waves

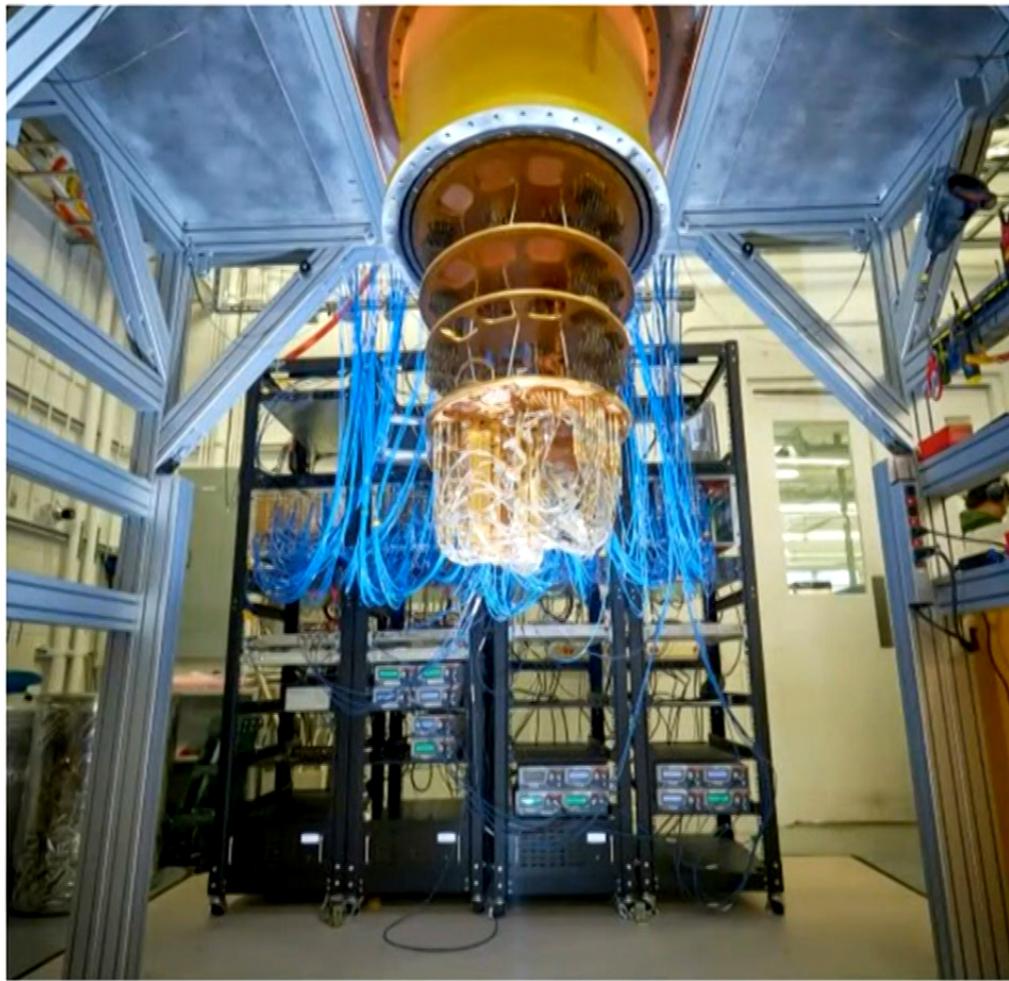


Quantum corrals, Manoharan et al, IBM

In spite of its weirdness quantum behavior is ubiquitous!



Google's Sycamore processor

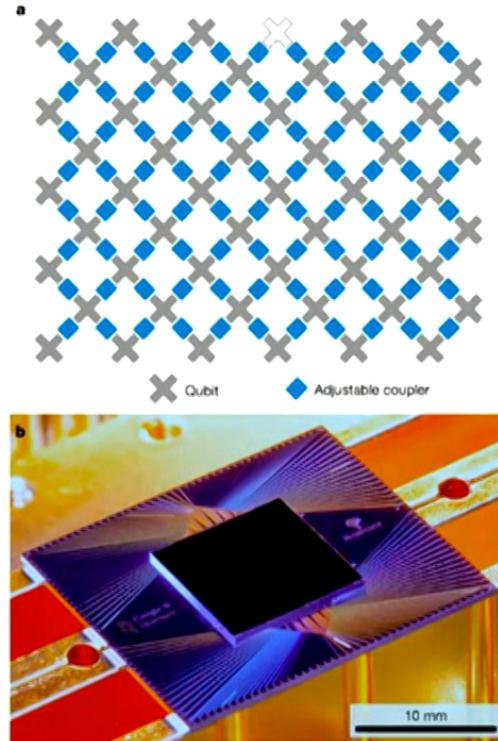


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Frank Arute, Kunal Arya, [...] John M. Martinis 

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generated random number in 200s
(vs 10000yrs classical computer?)

Applications:
drug design
new materials design
climate science
finances
optimization problems
cryptography
communications

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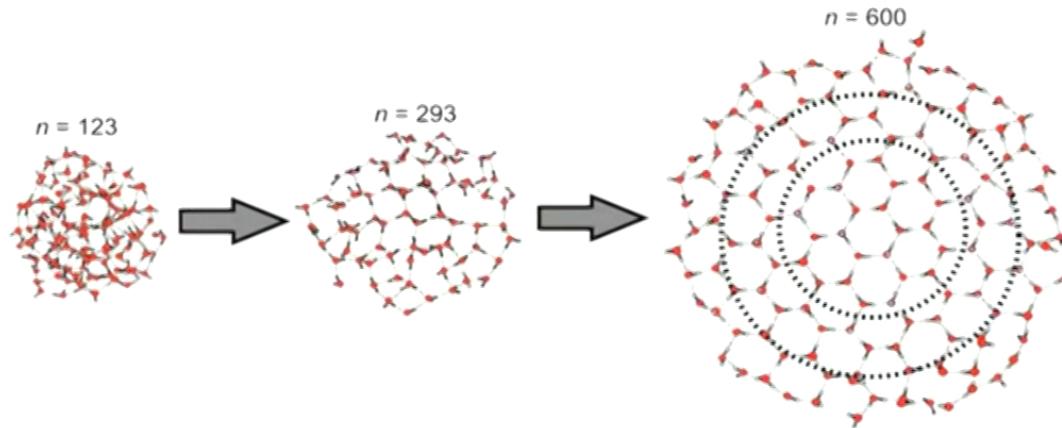
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*Everything that matters in science now is organisational. The reductionist (fundamental) approach has stopped from being useful. Bob Laughlin**

Topic or Phenomenon	Individual piece	Interactions
Ant colony	Ants	Pheromone trails
Consciousness	Neurons	Neural connections and firing
Crystals	Molecules	Intermolecular forces
Traffic patterns	Cars	People's reactions to car distance or brake lights
Schooling or Flocking	Fish or Birds	Fish/bird reactions to neighbor's distance and movement
City neighborhoods	People	People's and businesses' reactions to a neighborhood's reputation and flavor.
Superconductivity	Electrons	Lattice vibrations called phonons
Slime mold slug	Slime mold spores	Chemical signals
Superfluid	Atoms	Bose-Einstein statistics/quantum attraction
Crowd behavior	People	Rules for social interaction/neighbor distances
Magnetism	Magnetic domains	Magnetic coupling
Heartbeat (synchronicity of pacemaker cells)	Pacemaker cells in heart	Coupled action potentials of pacemaker cells
Synchronicity	Fireflies	Mimicry plus internal pacemaker cells
Liquid crystals	Molecules	Intermolecular interactions
Bose-Einstein Condensation	Atoms or molecules	Quantum mechanical uncertainty resulting in single wave function for all atoms
Color	Atoms	Light and atomic structure
Stock market	Investors	Transactions

Examples of emergent phenomena in quantum condensed matter



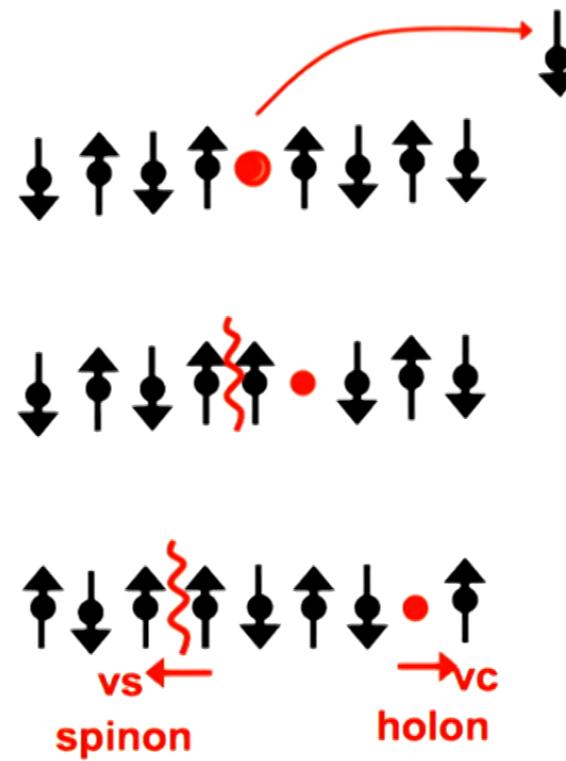
Is there a critical number above which crystal order emerges?

Pradzynski et al, Science 2012

And what if we combine quantum weirdness and complexity?

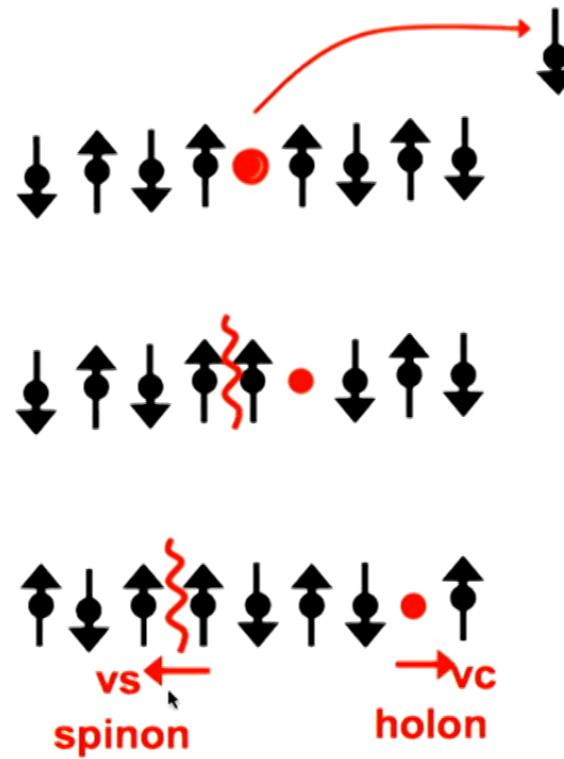
→ quantum condensed matter!

Emergent phenomena in low-dimensional systems: Charge-spin fractionalisation of the electron



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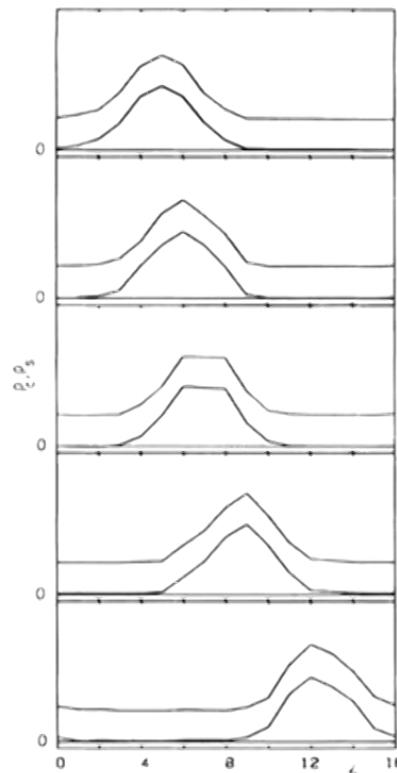
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Numerical study of charge and spin separation in low-dimensional systems

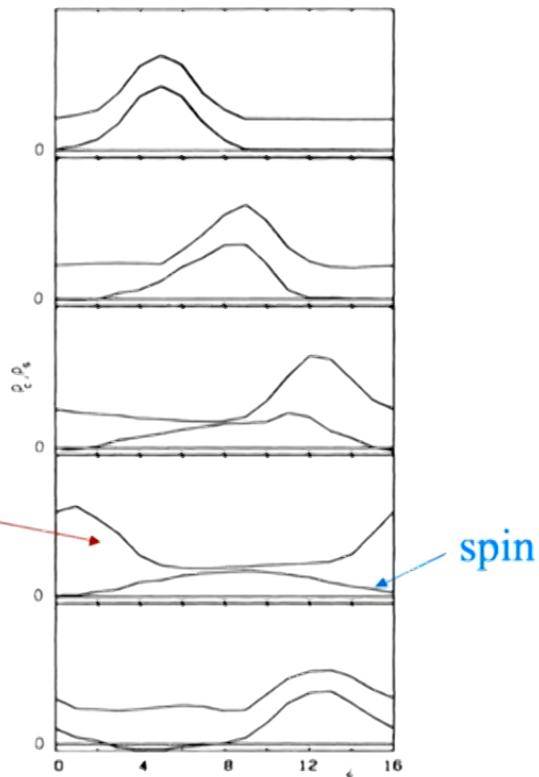
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 $U=0$ 

time

 $U=10t$ 

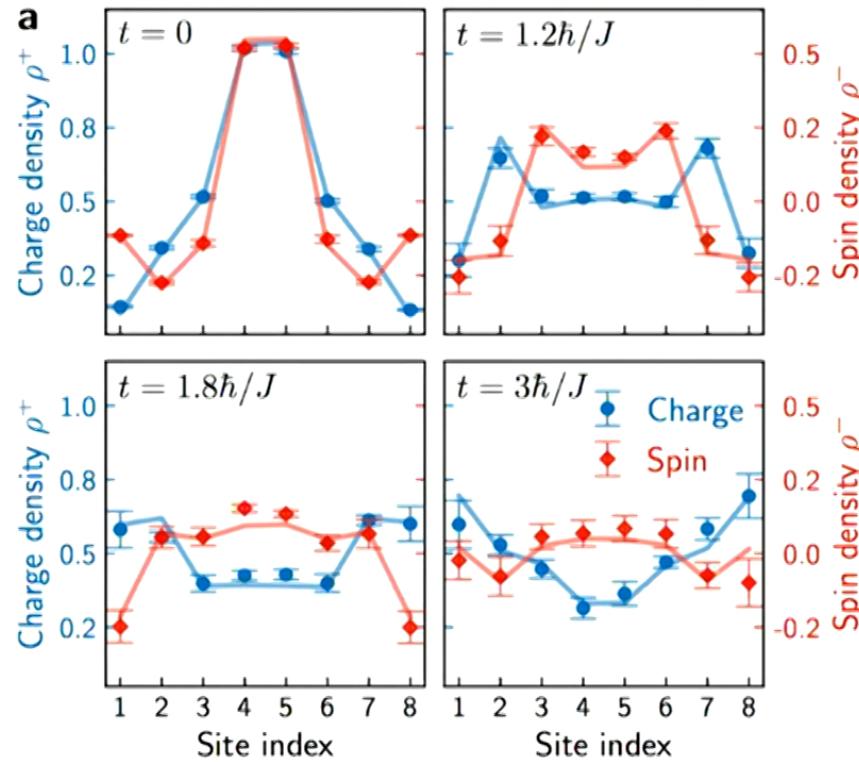
charge

spin

Observation of separated dynamics of charge and spin in the Fermi-Hubbard model

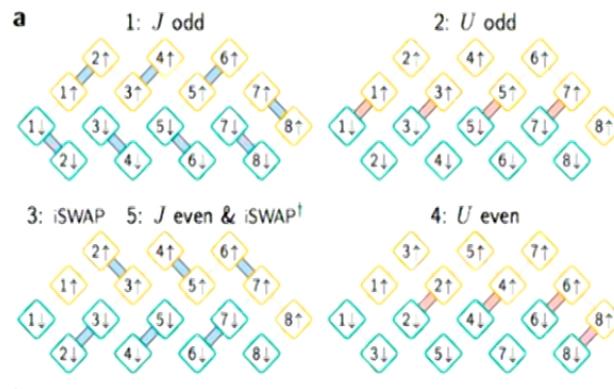
Google AI Quantum and collaborators*
(Dated: October 19, 2020)

arXiv:201007965



Simulation of correlated models using quantum computers!
QC Sycamore (google), using superconducting resonators

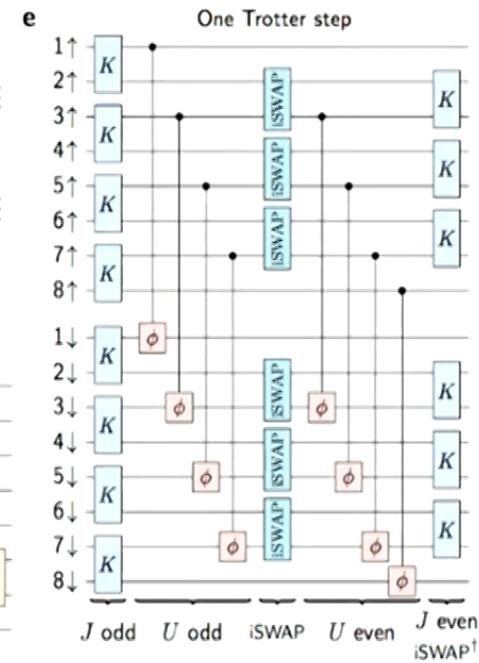
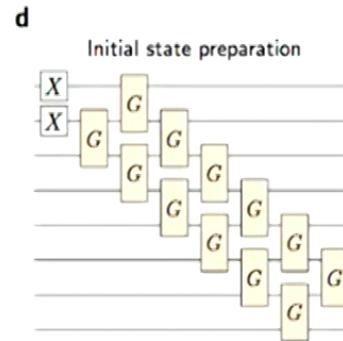
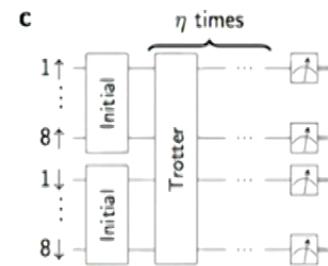
Sycamore



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$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -i\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & -i\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{---} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{-i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{---} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

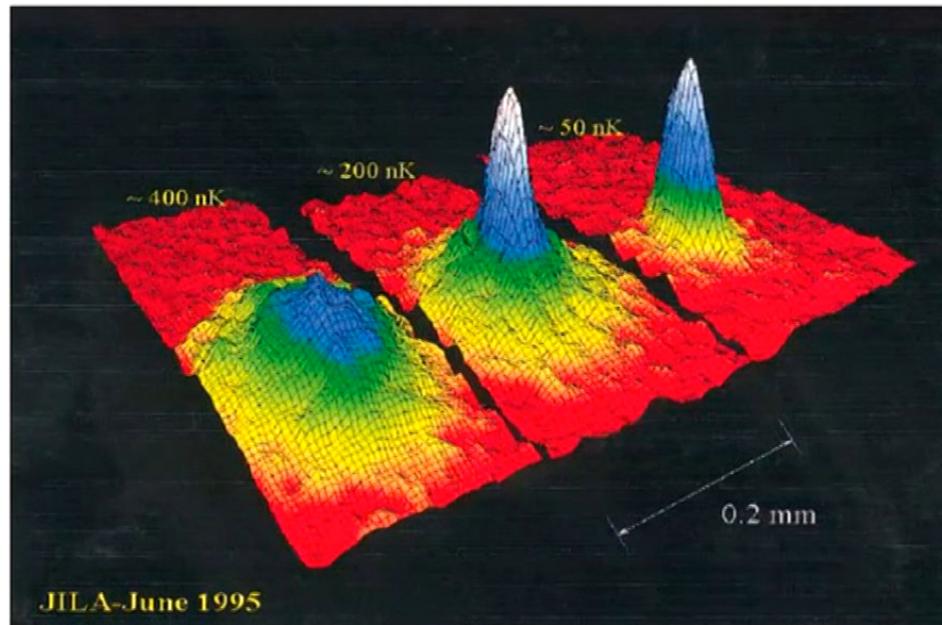


Ultracold atomic gases (quantum simulators)

Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC) (5th state of matter, macroscopic)

1995: Weimann* and Cornell* in ⁸⁷Rb @170nK

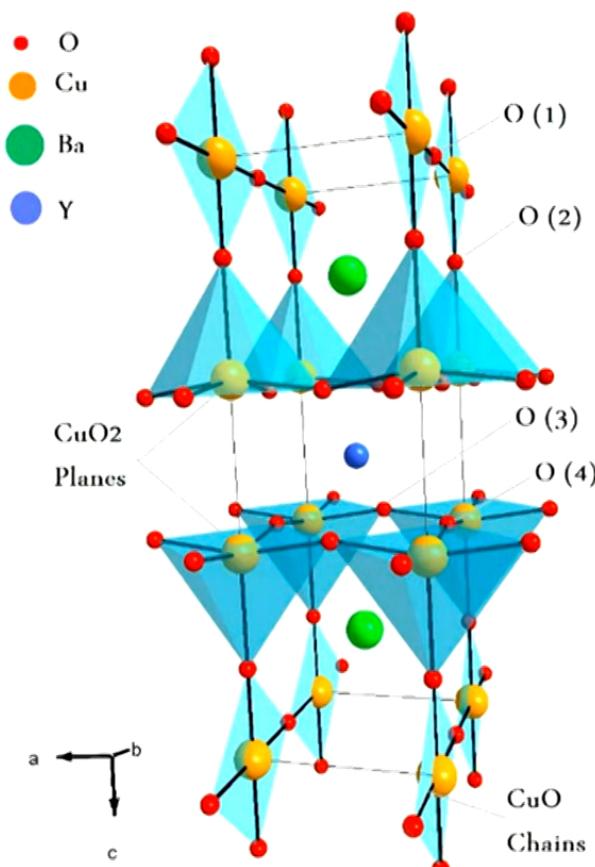
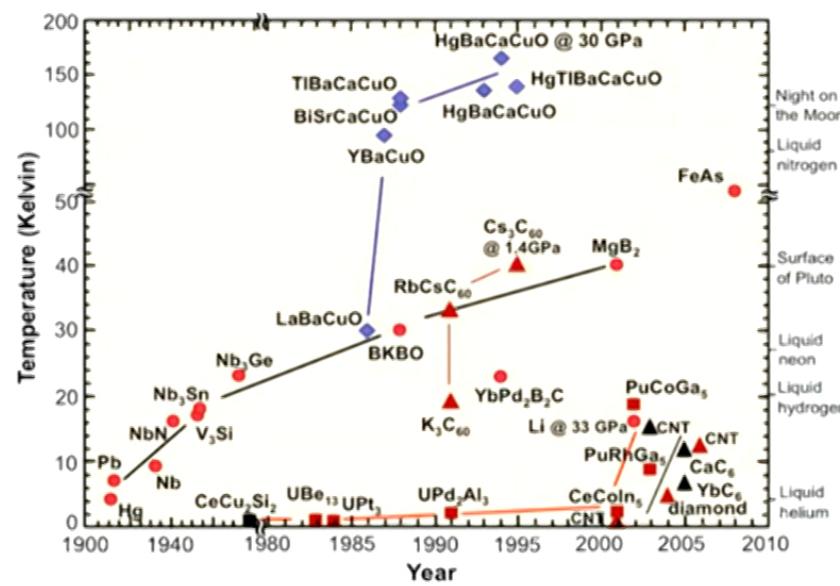
Ketterle* et al with ²³Na (Nobel Prize 2001)



In June 2020, the Cold Atom Laboratory experiment on board the International Space Station successfully created a BEC

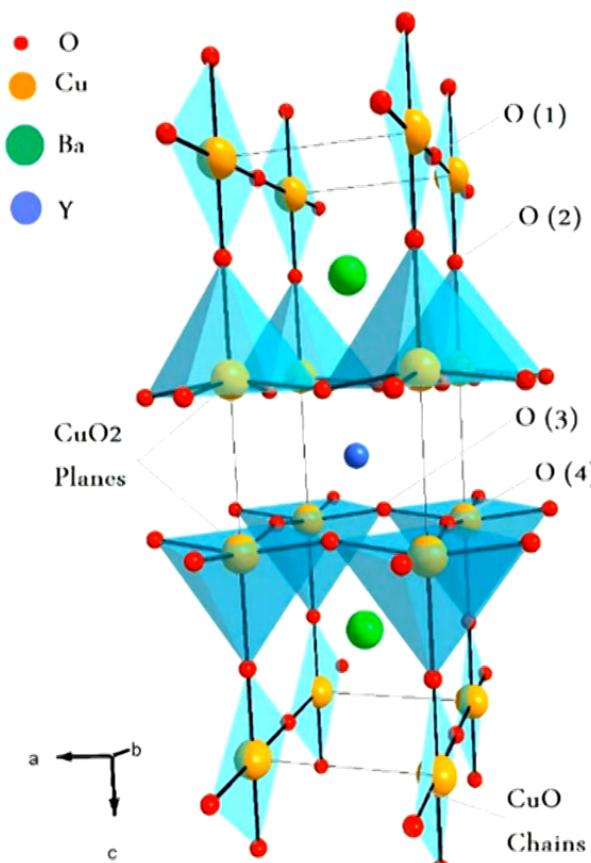
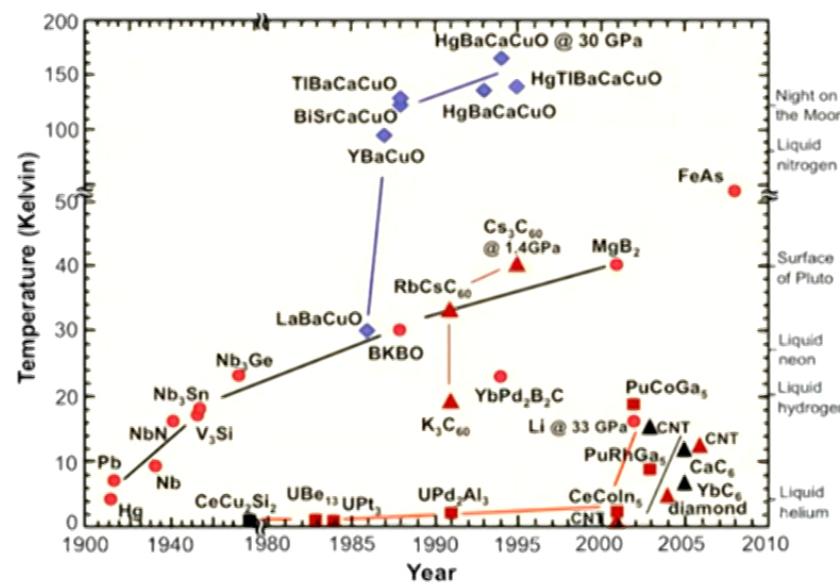
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Example: Heisenberg model

$$H = J \sum_i S_i S_{i+1}$$

N sites (qubits), 2^N states



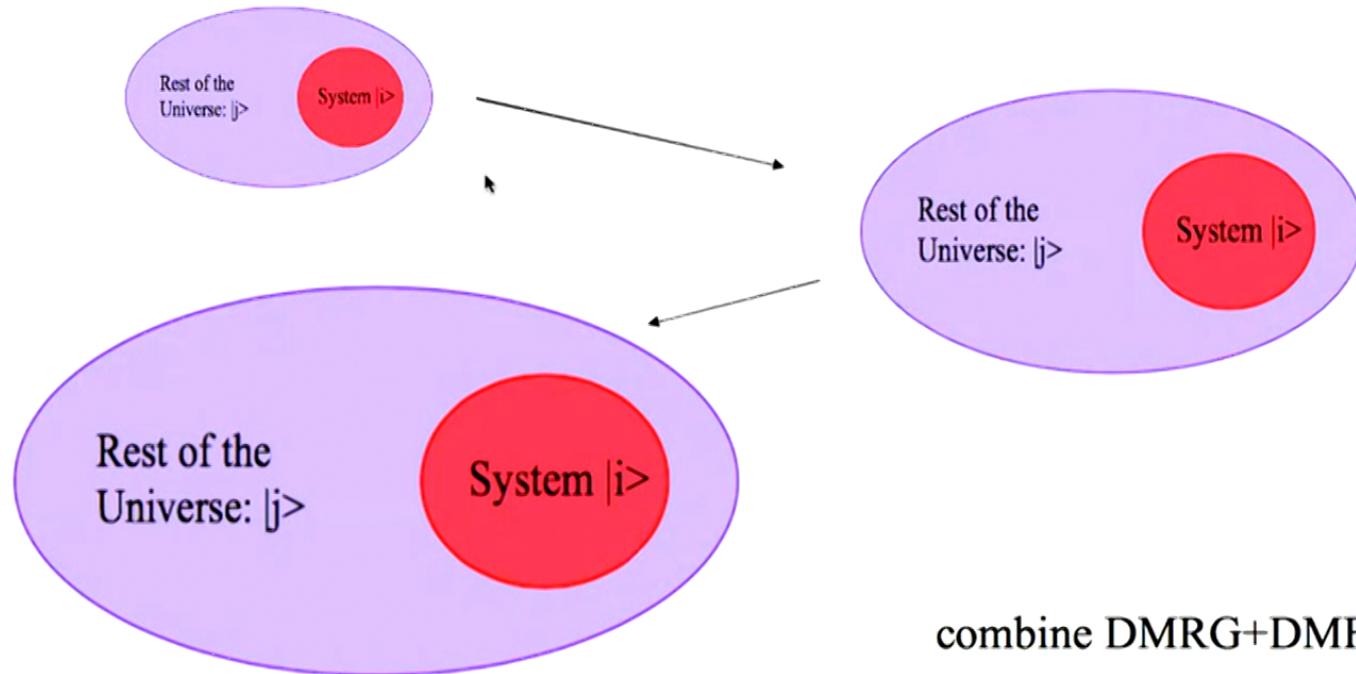
Exponential amount of configurations!

Using quantum information to optimise calculations: An interesting new perspective on Quantum Mechanics

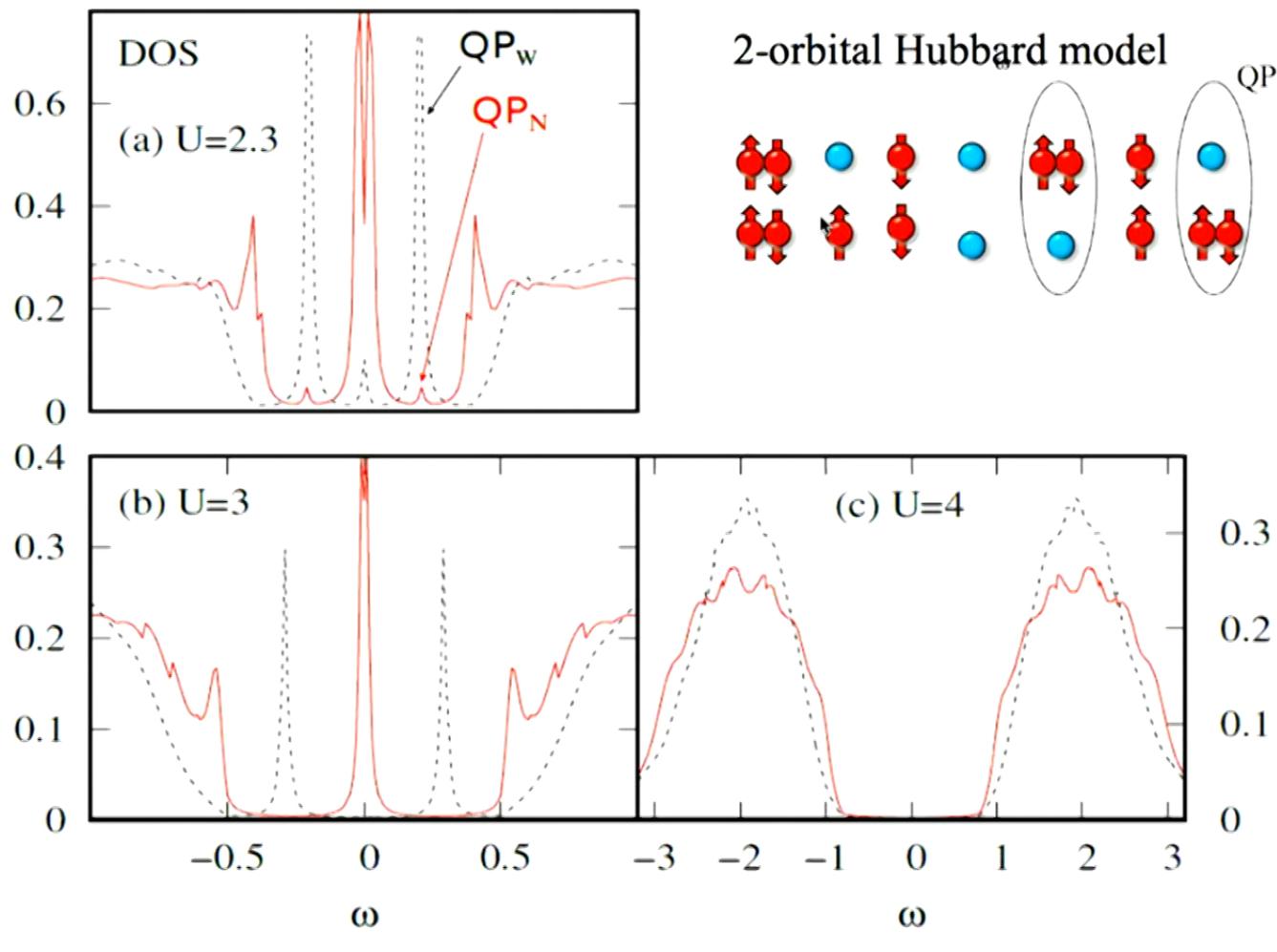
“The most challenging and interesting problems in quantum dynamics involve understanding the behaviour of strongly-coupled many-body systems... Better ways of characterizing the features of many particle entanglement may lead to new and more effective methods for understanding the dynamical behaviour of complex quantum systems.” John Preskill (2000)

We use the Density Matrix Renormalisation Group (S. White 1992):

- it uses **quantum information** to keep the **most relevant quantum states**



- García, Hallberg, Rozenberg, PRL. 2004 and PRB(RC) 2005
- Hallberg, García, Cornaglia, Facio, Núñez Fernández, EPL Perspectives 2015
- *Solving the multi-site and multi-orbital Dynamical Mean Field Theory using Density Matrix Renormalization*, Y. Núñez-Fernández and K. Hallberg, Front. Phys. 6:13 (2018)



Núñez-Fernández, Kotliar, Hallberg, PRB(R) 2018

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