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**Abstract:** In the last two decades the field of nonequilibrium quantum many-body physics has seen a rapid development driven, in particular, by the remarkable progress in quantum simulators, which today provide access to dynamics in quantum matter with an unprecedented control. However, the efficient numerical simulation of nonequilibrium real-time evolution in isolated quantum matter still remains a key challenge for current computational methods especially beyond one spatial dimension. In this talk I will present a versatile and efficient machine learning inspired approach. I will first introduce the general idea of encoding quantum many-body wave functions into artificial neural networks. I will then identify and resolve key challenges for the simulation of real-time evolution, which previously imposed significant limitations on the accurate description of large systems and long-time dynamics. As a concrete example, I will consider the dynamics of the paradigmatic two-dimensional transverse field Ising model, where we observe collapse and revival oscillations of ferromagnetic order and demonstrate that the reached time scales are comparable to or exceed the capabilities of state-of-the-art tensor network methods.



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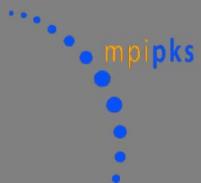
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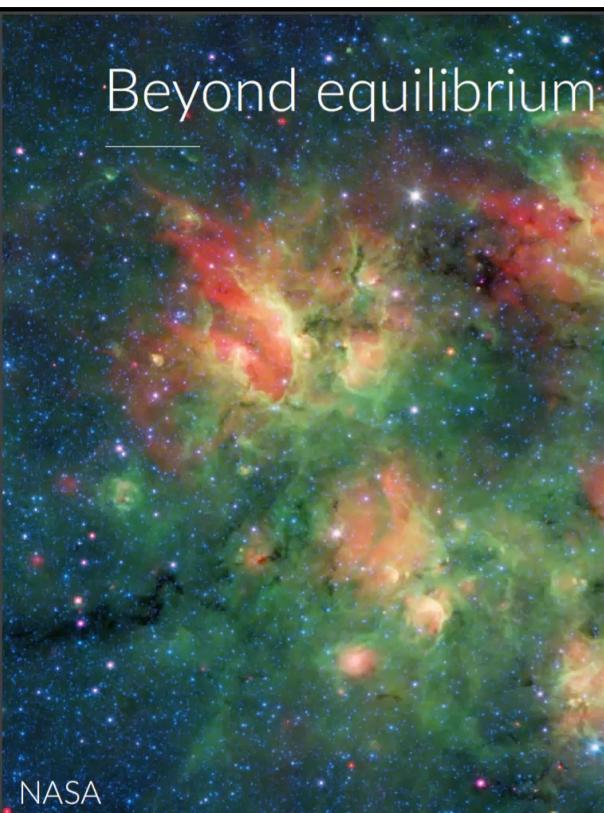


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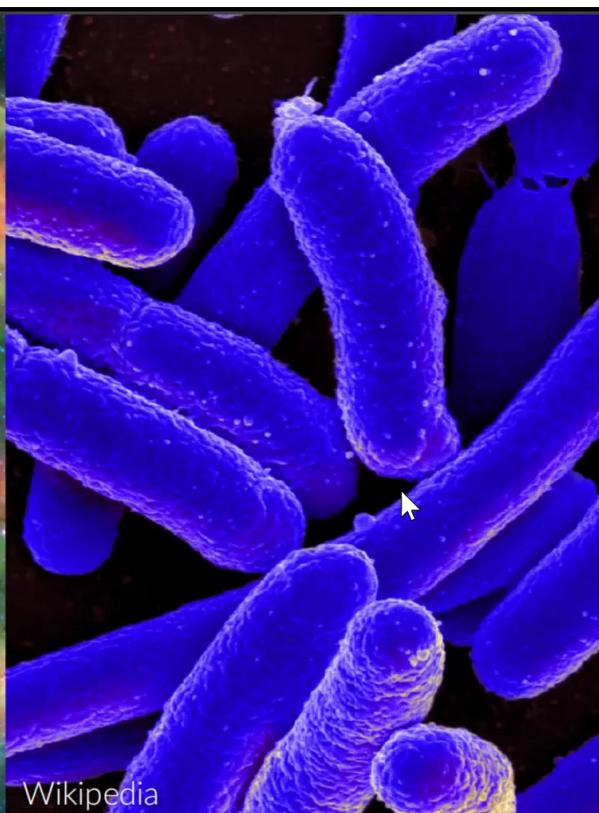
Beyond equilibrium



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Universe

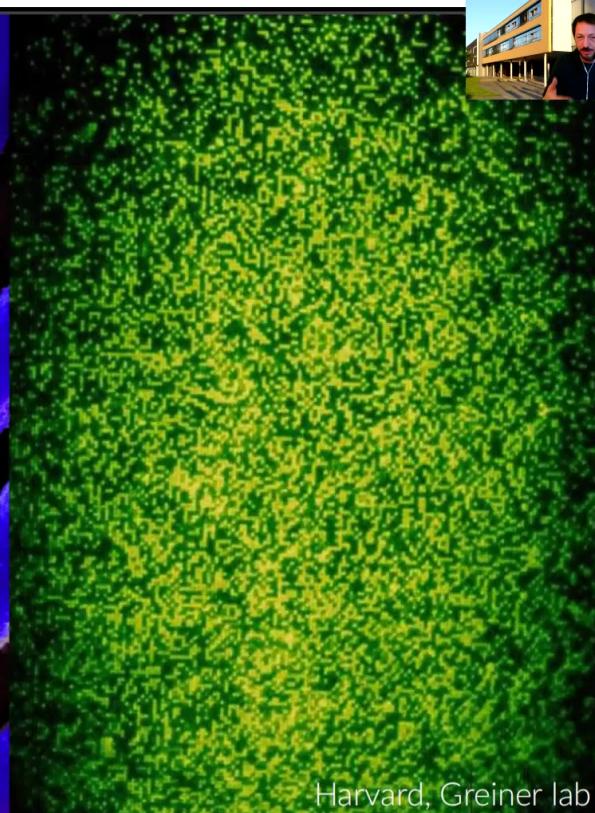
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Biological  
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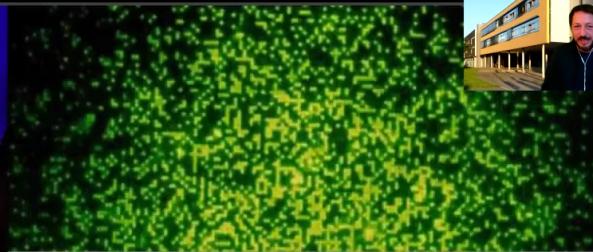
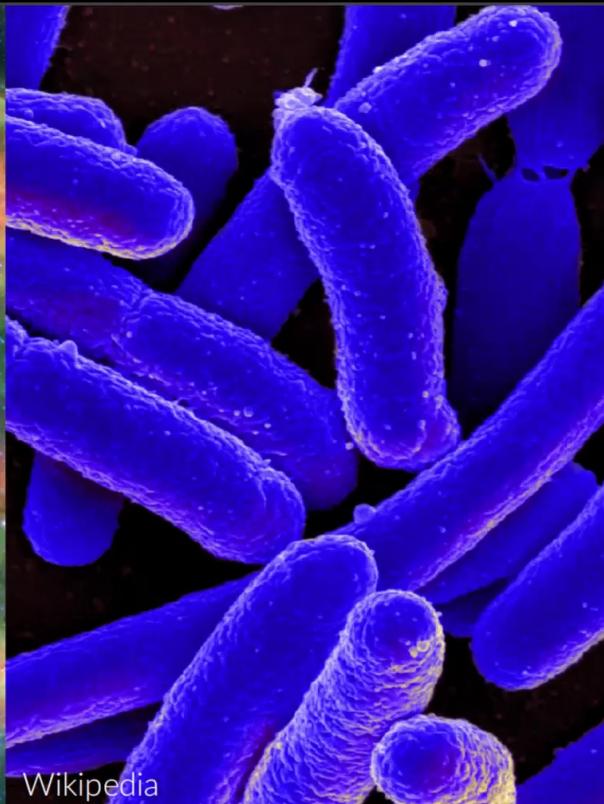
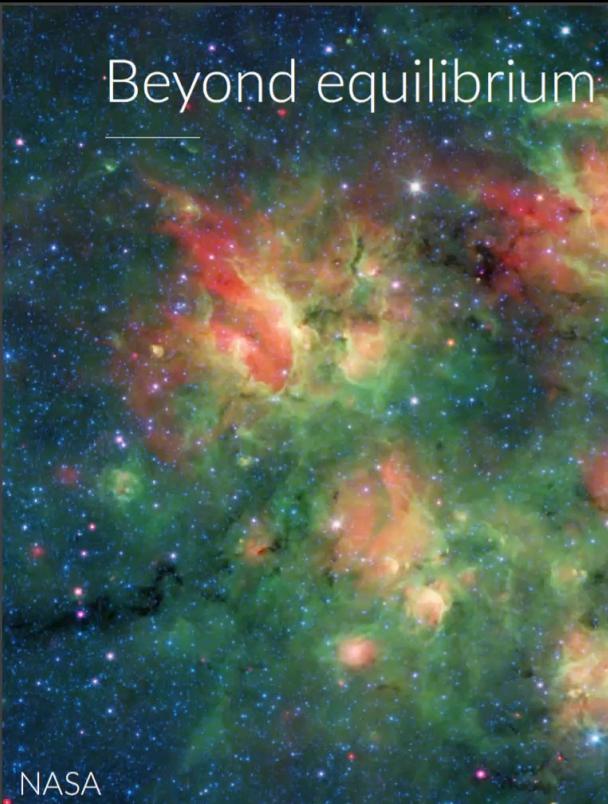


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Quantum  
simulators

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# Dynamics in correlated quantum matter

Schrödinger  
equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = H(t) |\psi(t)\rangle$$

for many-body  
systems





## Outline

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- Quantum dynamics in 2D: motivation and challenges
- Classical networks and artificial neural network wave functions
- The inversion problem: how to stabilize dynamics with neural networks
- Outlook



## Quantum dynamics in 2D: motivation and challenges

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# Quantum Dynamics in 2D

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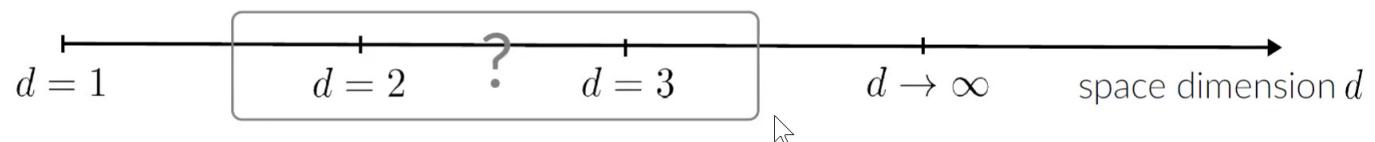


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**Quantum simulators:** Coherent dynamics of quantum matter in *2d*  
Harvard, MPQ, Princeton, Paris,...

**Theory:** severe limitation for (numerically) exact methods



Tensor network methods →  
Limited by entanglement  
Review: Schollwöck '11

← Dynamical mean-field theory  
Limited by spatial resolution  
Review: Aoki '13



# Dynamics in correlated quantum matter

**Challenge:** Hilbert space exponential

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## Our approach

*“Don’t store. Generate on the fly.”*



sample with Monte Carlo (MC)



## Classical networks and artificial neural network wave functions

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# Classical networks

## Effective classical Hamiltonian

- Structure obtained from cumulant expansion (around a classical limit)
- Perturbatively controlled
- Further variationally optimized



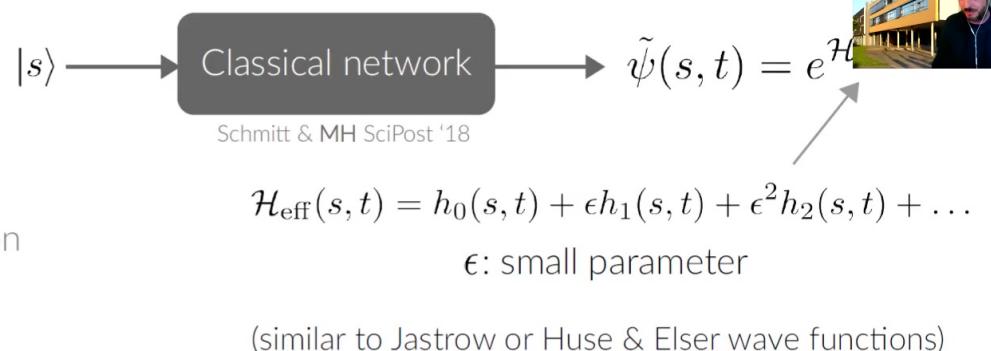
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$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}(s, t) = h_0(s, t) + \epsilon h_1(s, t) + \epsilon^2 h_2(s, t) + \dots$$

$\epsilon$ : small parameter

(similar to Jastrow or Huse & Elser wave functions)

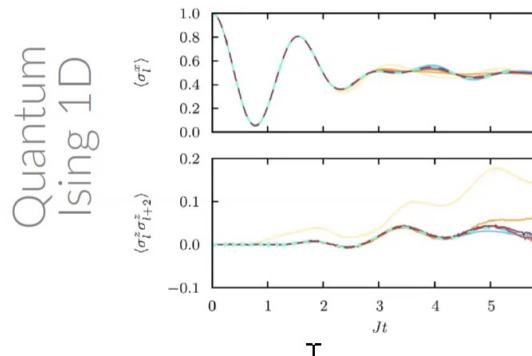
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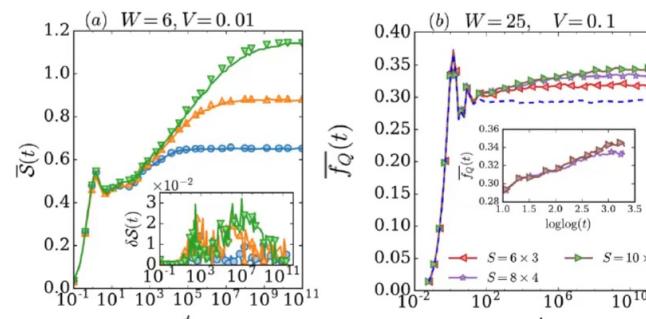
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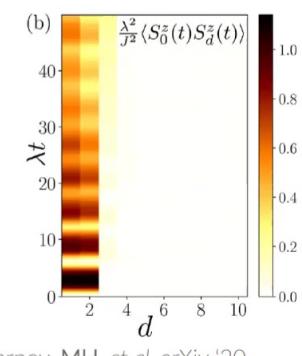
Successful for tailored problems



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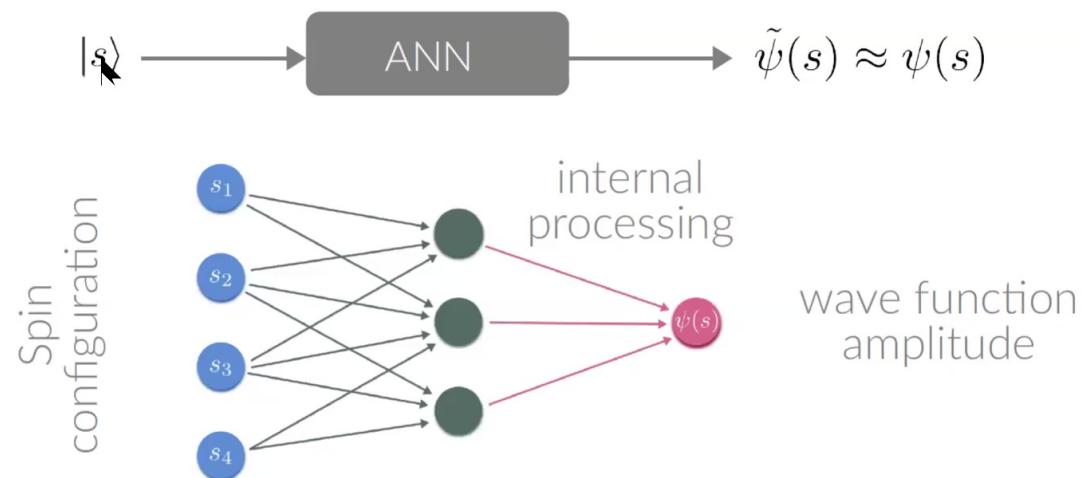


Quantum link model in 2D





# Encoding quantum states in artificial neural networks (ANN)



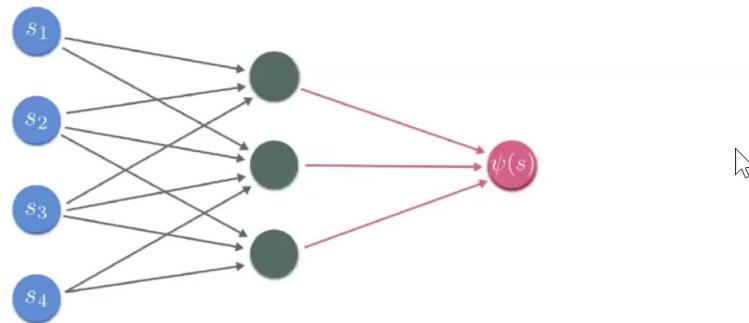
**Enabling idea:** ANNs *universal function approximators*

→ Any quantum state can be encoded in a (sufficiently large) ANN

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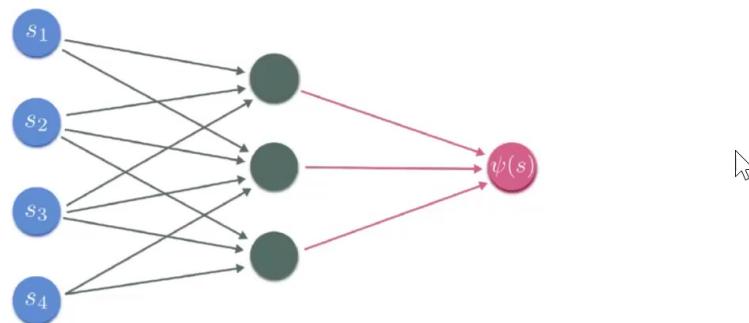
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ANN is not just a black box → Numerically exact approach

Convergence parameter: size of ANN

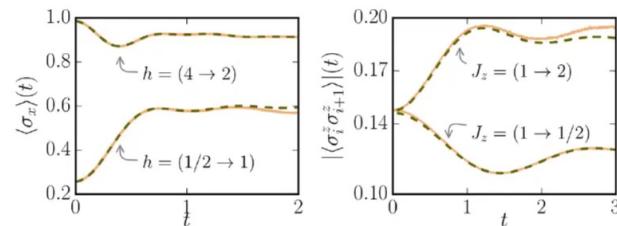
Complexity of algorithm:  $\text{poly}(\text{size of ANN}, \text{system size})$



# Challenging for nonequilibrium dynamics

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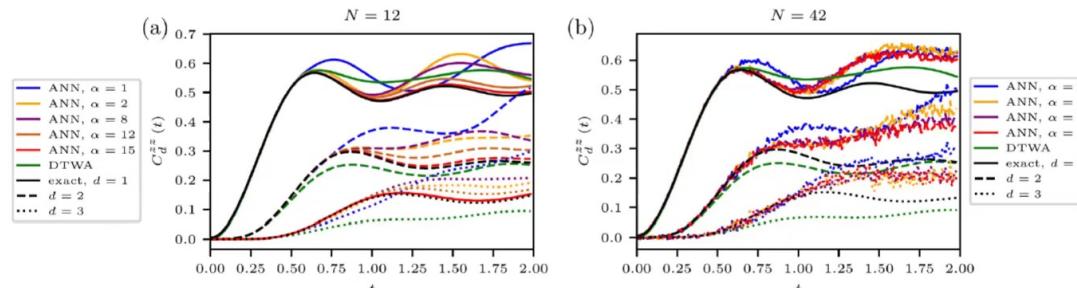
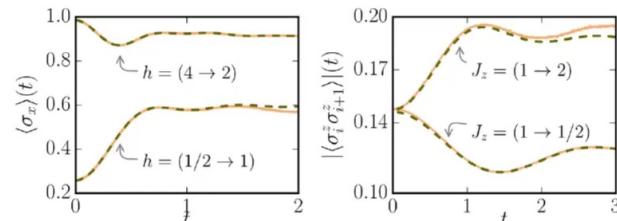




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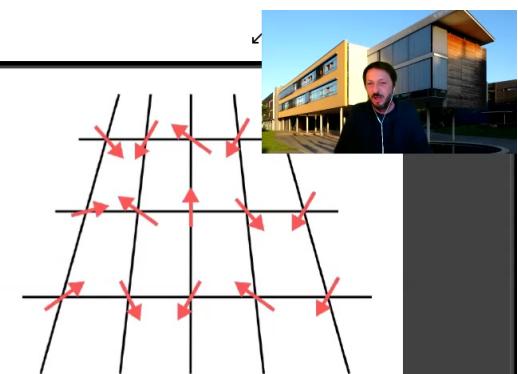
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Systematic  
discrepancy even  
for increasing size  
of net

# Overcoming the challenges

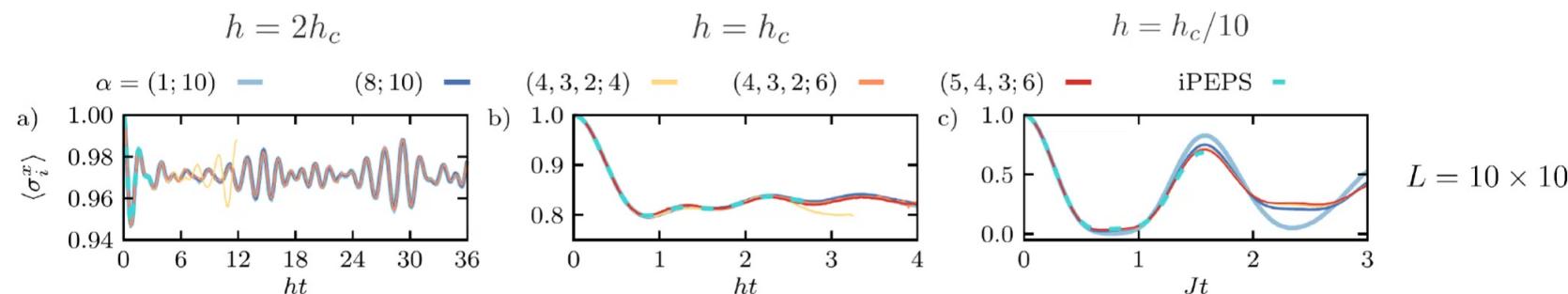
2D transverse-field Ising model

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - h \sum_j \sigma_j^x$$



Nonequilibrium quantum quench:  $|\psi_0\rangle = |\rightarrow\rangle \implies |\psi_0(t)\rangle = e^{-iHt}|\psi_0\rangle$

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iPEPS data from Czarnik *et al.* PRB '19



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Approximate time-evolved state by variational wave function

$$|\psi(t)\rangle \approx |\psi_{\eta(t)}\rangle = \sum_s \psi_{\eta(t)}(s)|s\rangle$$

Goal: choose variational parameters *optimally*. How?



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Project back and identify a **new optimal** set of variational parameters

$$F_{\eta'} = |\langle\psi_{\eta'}|e^{-iH\Delta t}|\psi_{\eta(t)}\rangle| \implies \sup_{\substack{\eta' \\ \downarrow}} F_{\eta'}$$

For an infinitesimal time step: *Taylor expansion*

$$\eta' = \eta + \Delta\eta, \quad e^{-iH\Delta t} = 1 - iH\Delta t - \frac{1}{2}H^2\Delta t + \dots$$



## Time-dependent variational principle

Quantum dynamics → Nonlinear classical ODE for *network weights*  $\eta_k$

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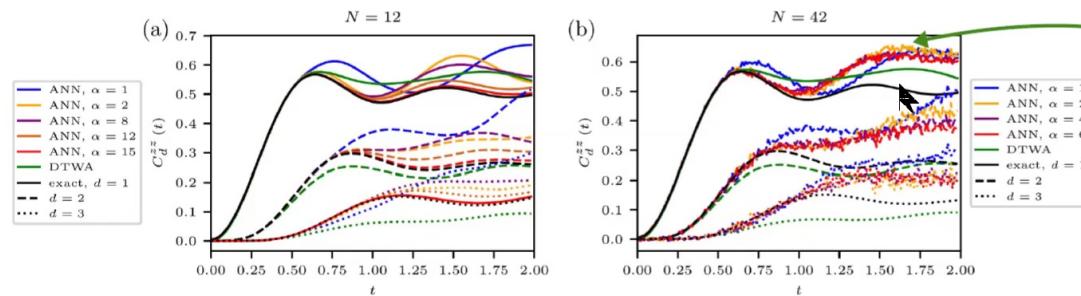
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Systematically  
following a *local*  
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**Solution:** Represent TDVP in the *diagonal basis* of the  $S$  matrix

$$S_{k,k'} \dot{\eta}_{k'} = F_k \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad \sigma_k^2 \dot{\tilde{\eta}}_k = \langle\langle Q_k^* E_{loc} \rangle\rangle_c \equiv \rho_k$$

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$$S_{k,k'} = V_{k,l} \sigma_l^2 (V^\dagger)_{l,k'}, \quad Q_k = (V^\dagger)_{k,k'} O_k,$$



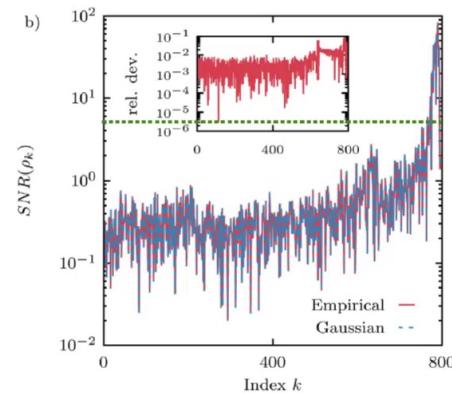
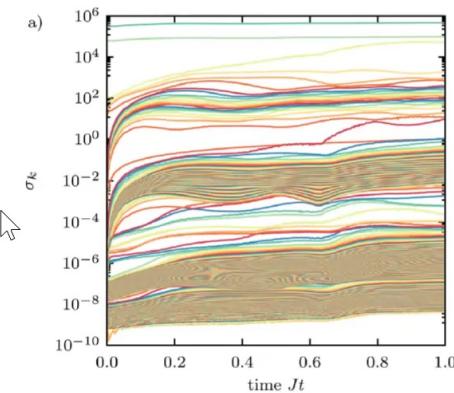
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$$\sigma^2 \dot{\tilde{\eta}} = \rho$$

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Noise  
independent of  
signal strength

$$SNR(\sigma_k) = \sqrt{N_{MC}/2}$$



Signal to noise ratio  
can vary over orders  
of magnitude

$$SNR(\rho_k) = \sqrt{\frac{N_{MC}}{1 + \frac{\sigma_k^2}{\rho_k^2} \text{Var}(H)}}$$

New regularization scheme for inversion: SNR threshold

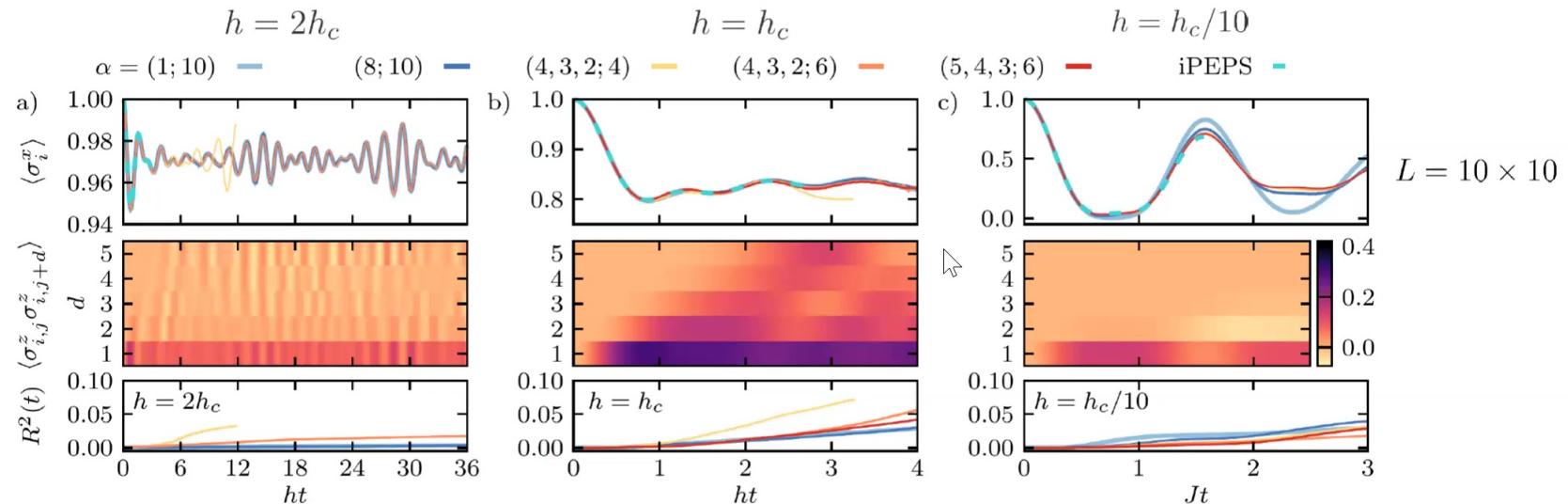


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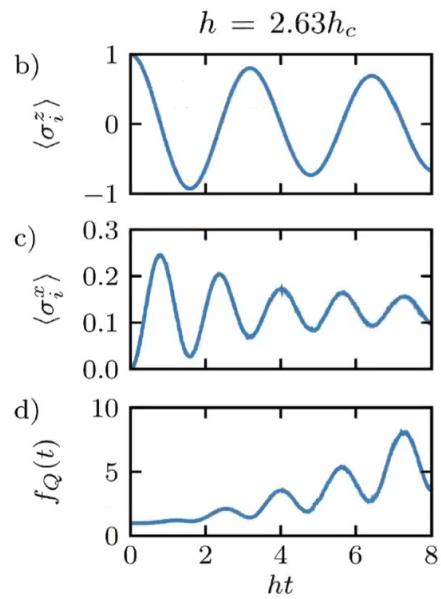


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## Collapse and revival oscillations in the 2D Ising model

$$|\psi_0\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle \implies |\psi_0(t)\rangle = e^{-iHt}|\psi_0\rangle$$



Order parameter  
→ decay and revival of long-range order

Transverse magnetization  
→ Buildup of thermal magnetization profile

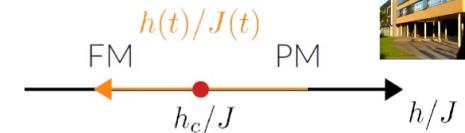
Quantum Fisher information density  
→ significant *multipartite entanglement*

$$f_Q(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,j} \langle \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z \rangle_c$$

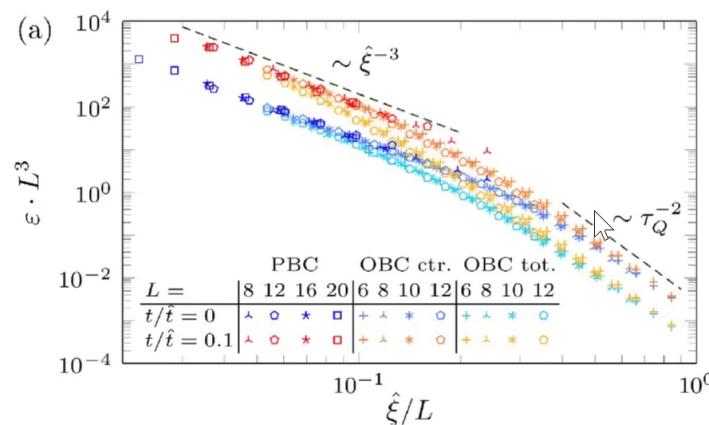
# Outlook

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Kibble-Zurek mechanism in 2D transverse-field Ising model  
(together with M. Schmitt, M. Rams, J. Dziarmaga, W. Zurek)



→ room for exploring yet inaccessible regimes with ANNs



## Summary

Powerful tool to describe nonequilibrium dynamics in 2D

- Competitive with (or even superior to) tensor networks
- Increasing system size or time at moderate polynomial costs
- Current limitations: still instabilities
- Not (so much) limited by network size (expressivity)

