

Robust universal quantum processors in spin systems via Walsh pulse sequences (arxiv:2311.10600)

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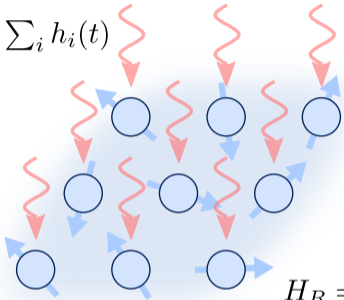
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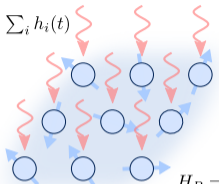
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The diagram shows a 3x3 grid of blue circles representing qubits. Red wavy arrows point downwards from each circle, representing a drive term $h_i(t)$. Blue arrows point horizontally and vertically between adjacent circles, representing nearest-neighbor interactions J_{ij}^O .

$$H_R = \sum_O \sum_{i<j} J_{ij}^O O_{ij}$$

What kind of (robust) dynamics $|\psi(t)\rangle = U(t) |\psi(0)\rangle$ can be accessed with such a setup?

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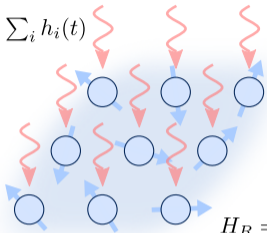
$$H_{\text{drive}} = \sum_i h_i(t)$$


The diagram shows a 2D lattice of blue circles representing qubits. Red wavy arrows point downwards to each qubit, representing local drive pulses. Blue arrows connect adjacent qubits horizontally and vertically, representing nearest-neighbor interactions.

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- **Theorem:** any non-trivial 2-local spin Hamiltonian H_R with local pulses is sufficient for **universal quantum computation** (*Dodd et al., PRA 2002*)
- This inspired the development of **pulse sequences-based programmable quantum simulation** schemes:
 1. Engineering of translation-invariant Hamiltonians (*Hayes et al., NJP 2014*)
 2. Digital-analog quantum computation (*Parra-Rodriguez et al., PRA 2020*)
 3. Robust experimental realizations of *XYZ* models (*Choi et al. PRX 2020, ...*)

In this talk

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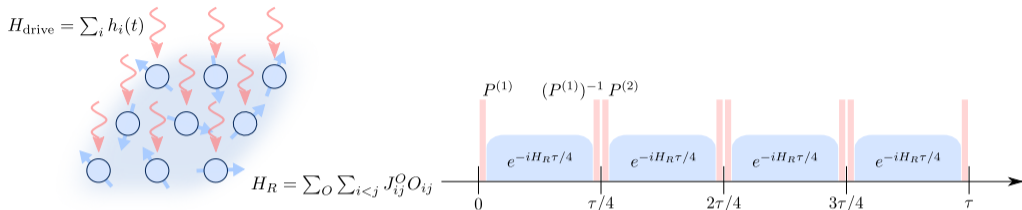
The diagram shows a 2D lattice of particles represented by blue circles. Red wavy arrows point downwards towards each particle, representing an external drive. Blue arrows point from each particle to its four nearest neighbors, representing interactions. The lattice is arranged in a staggered pattern.

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We formulate a unifying approach which

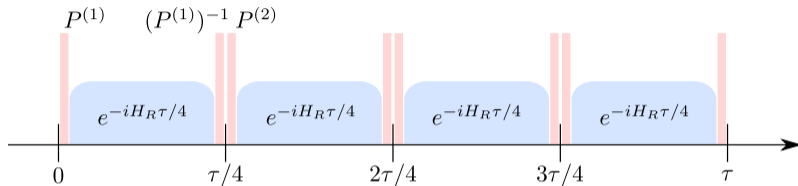
- can engineer **arbitrary** 2-local Hamiltonian dynamics $U(t) = e^{-i\tilde{H}t}$ in an **efficient** way
- is **robust** to experimental imperfections by design
- is implementable in state-of-art setups (e.g. trapped ions, Rydberg atom arrays)

Hamiltonian engineering



- Assumption (temporary): dynamics of the external fields is **fast enough** and **isolated in time**
- We have the **pulse sequence** $\{P^{(k)} = \bigotimes_i p_i^{(k)}\}_{k=1}^n$ over a **period** τ with $p_i = e^{-it_p h_i}$
- For concreteness, we consider the resource Hamiltonian (c.f Thierry's/Clément's talk)

$$H_R = \sum_{i>j} (J_{ij}^X X_i X_j + J_{ij}^Y Y_i Y_j)$$

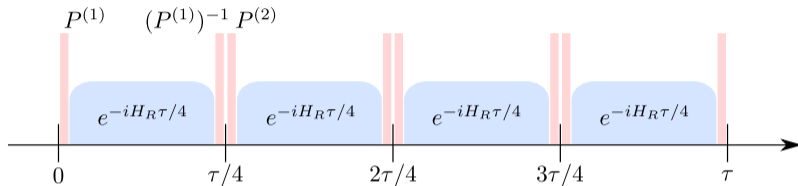


- Resulting dynamics: $\psi(\tau) = \tilde{U}(\tau)\psi(0)$

$$\tilde{U}(\tau) = \prod_{k=1}^n (P^{(k)})^{-1} e^{-iH_R \tau/n} P^{(k)} = \prod_{k=1}^n e^{-iH^{(k)} \tau/n}$$

- $H^{(k)} := (P^{(k)})^{-1} H_R P^{(k)}$ are called **togglng-frame Hamiltonians**

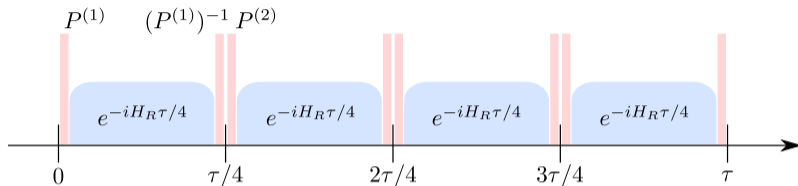
Hamiltonian engineering



- **Goal of Hamiltonian engineering:** How to program $\{P^{(k)}\}$ to realize a target Hamiltonian dynamics \tilde{H} over a time T ?
- Mathematically, we would like to have

$$[\tilde{U}(\tau)]^{T/\tau} \approx e^{-i\tilde{H}T}$$

Engineering via Average Hamiltonian Theory

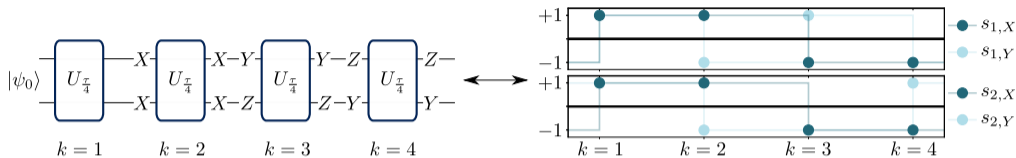


- **Average Hamiltonian Theory** (AHT, *Kuwahara et al., AoP 2016*):

$$(\tilde{U}(\tau))^{T/\tau} = \left(\prod_{k=1}^n e^{-iH^{(k)}\tau/n} \right)^{T/\tau} = e^{-i\tilde{H}T} + O(\tau T)$$

- $\tilde{H} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_k H^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_k (P^{(k)})^{-1} H_R P^{(k)}$ is the **average Hamiltonian**
- How do I reverse engineer the pulses $P^{(k)}$ to form an arbitrary \tilde{H} ?
- We shall use two reductions to solve this difficult problem

Reduction 1: From pulse matrices to sign coefficients



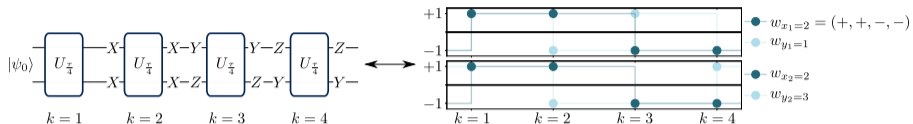
- Let us consider π -pulses: $p_i^{(k)} \in \{1, X, Y, Z\}$

$$H^{(k)} = (P^{(k)})^{-1} H_R P^{(k)} = \sum_{i>j} (s_{i,X}^{(k)} s_{j,X}^{(k)} J_{ij}^X X_i X_j + s_{i,Y}^{(k)} s_{j,Y}^{(k)} J_{ij}^Y Y_i Y_j)$$

where $s_{i,0}^{(k)} = \pm 1$ (Pauli commutation relations, eg $ZXZ = -X$, etc)

- The functions $s_{i,0}^{(k)}$ can be chosen arbitrarily (4 different pulses $p_i^{(k)}$ for 2×2 different signs $s_{i,X,Y}^{(k)}$).

Reduction 2: Parameterize the signs with Walsh pulse sequences



- The average Hamiltonian is related to **scalar products** between sign functions

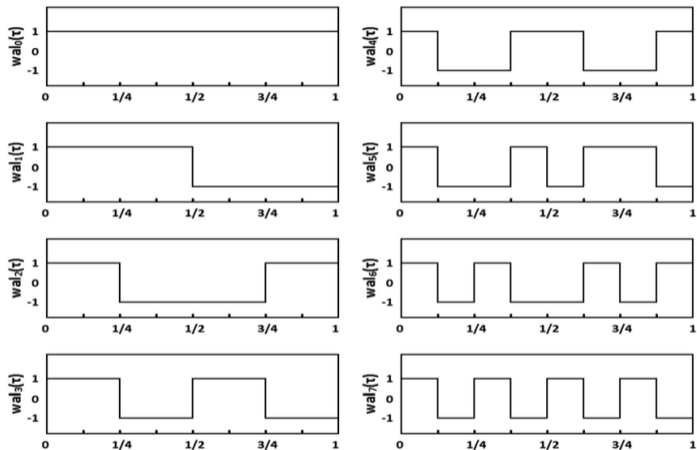
$$\tilde{H} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_k H^{(k)} = \sum_{i>j} ((s_{i,X}|s_{j,X})J_{ij}^X X_i X_j + (s_{i,Y}|s_{j,Y})J_{ij}^Y Y_i Y_j)$$

$$(s_{i,O}|s_{j,O}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_k s_{i,O}^{(k)} s_{j,O}^{(k)}$$

- We choose **Walsh functions** $s_{i,O}^{(k)} = w_a^{(k)}$, set of orthonormal sign functions (Walsh, AJM (1923)), $0 \leq a \leq n-1$

$$(w_a|w_b) = \delta_{a,b}$$

Example of Walsh functions with $n = 8$

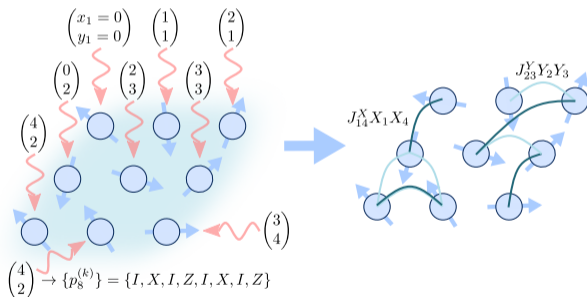


Source: Bajalinov & Duleba 10.1007/s10100-019-00614-3.

From Walsh pulse sequences to interaction graphs

- We assign two Walsh indices (x_i, y_i) per qubit

$$\tilde{H} = \sum_{i>j} (\delta_{x_i, x_j} J_{ij}^X X_i X_j + \delta_{y_i, y_j} J_{ij}^Y Y_i Y_j)$$

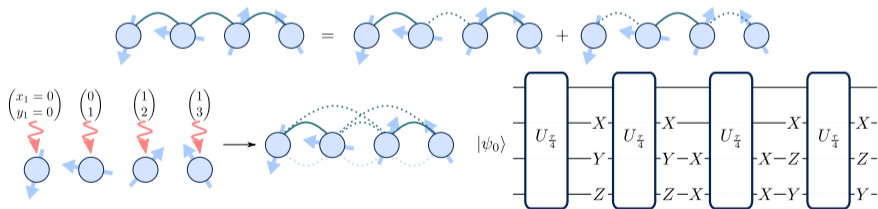


- We have represented \tilde{H} in terms of **interaction graphs** G^X , G^Y .

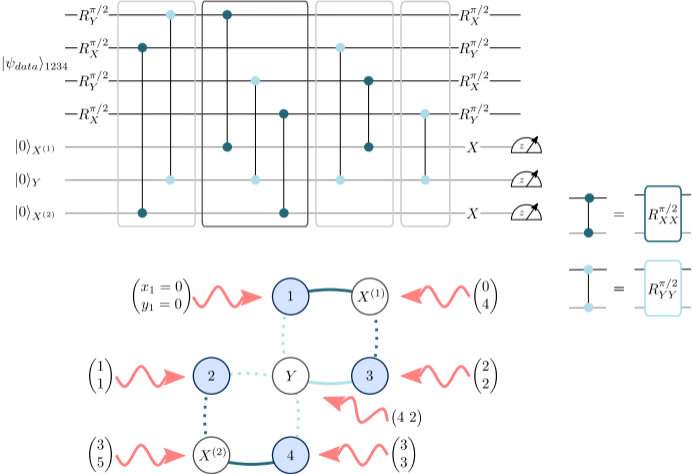
Hamiltonian engineering via Walsh pulse sequences

- **Theorem:** Any arbitrary 2-local Hamiltonian can be realized using Walsh pulse sequences (proof hint: graph decomposition)
- Example 1: from a long-range XX chain to the nearest-neighbor Ising chain

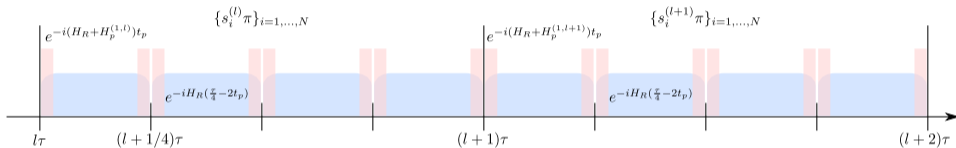
$$\text{Resource } J_{ij}^X = J_{ij}^Y = -\frac{J}{|i-j|^\alpha} \rightarrow \text{Target } \tilde{H} = \tilde{H}_1 + \tilde{H}_2 = -J \sum_i X_i X_{i+1}$$



Example 2: Surface code from Walsh sequences

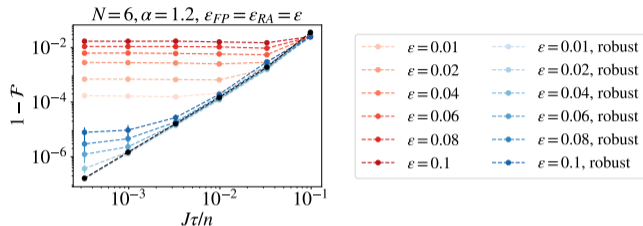


Robustness conditions from double averaging



- Choosing signs $s_i^{(l)} = w_{e_i}^{(l)}$ for generating the pulses
- **Robustness conditions** for finite pulse duration errors $e_i \neq e_j$, $e_i \neq 0 \rightarrow \Delta\tilde{H} = 0$

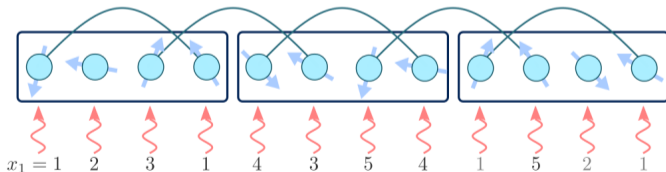
Numerical example: nearest-neighbor Ising chain



- We consider $\tilde{H} = H_{\text{Ising}}, T = \pi/4$
- Rotation angle errors are introduced randomly as $(\pi + \delta_i)$ -pulses, sampling $\delta_i \in [-2\epsilon_{RA}, 2\epsilon_{RA}]$ uniformly
- We observe that robustness conditions improve the fidelity by **orders of magnitude**

Summary of the technical details

- The protocol is robust in leading order in t_p/τ in finite pulse duration errors
- Robustness also with respect to static fields $\sum_i h_i Z_i$, and rotation angle errors.
- Theory relies on average Hamiltonian theory: Trotter errors can be analytically bounded as a function of $J\tau \ll 1$.
- Pulse frequency n/τ can be reduced by using restricted sets of Walsh functions



- A simple experimental recipe for implementing any circuit/Hamiltonian/Optimization problem using local pulses.
- Precise resource analysis: number of pulses, frequency
- Analytical theory provides powerful robustness aspects.
- More details, numerical examples, etc, in [arxiv:2311.10600](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.10600)