

Simulation of lattice Hamiltonians with qubits

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1. Introduction: quantum simulation with qubits

2. Adiabatic algorithm for graphene

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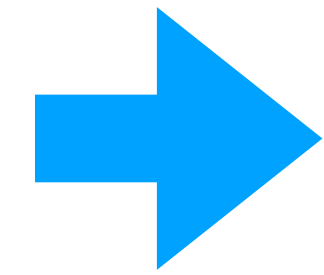
3. Variational algorithm for the nuclear shell model

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4. Summary

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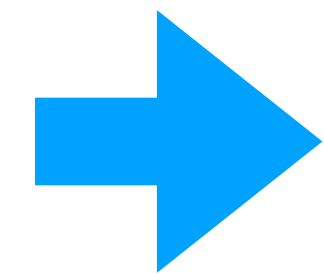


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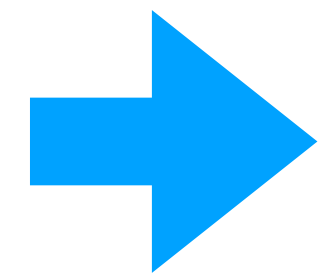
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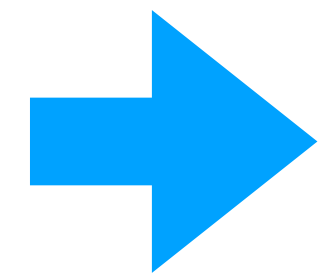
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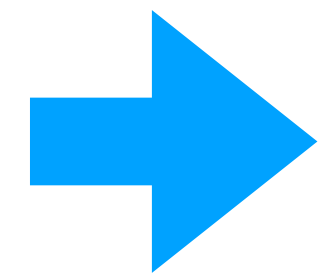
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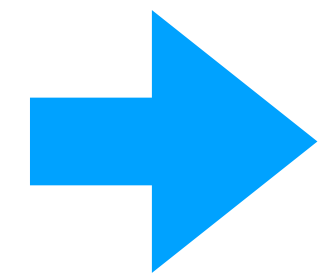
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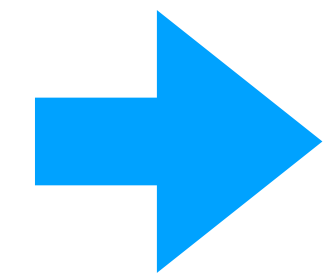
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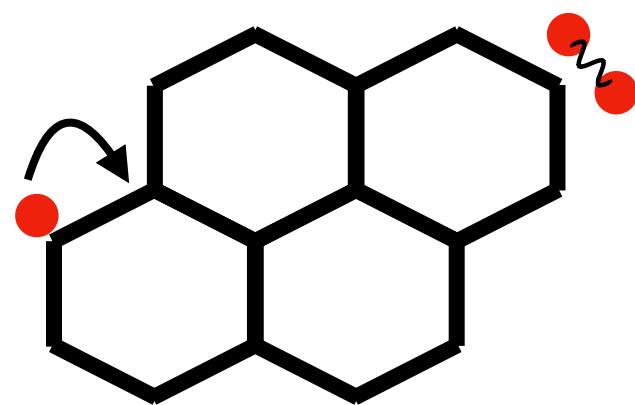
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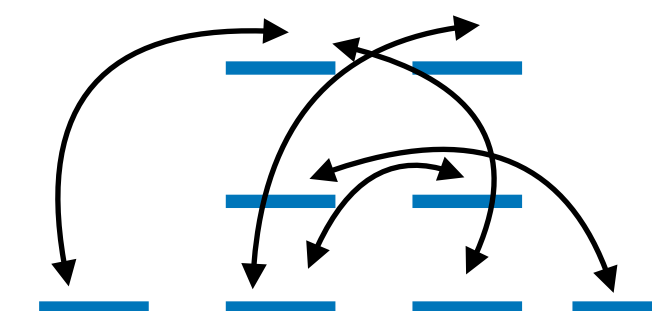
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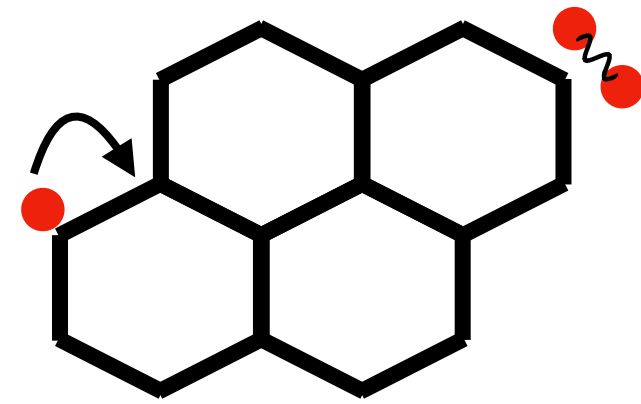
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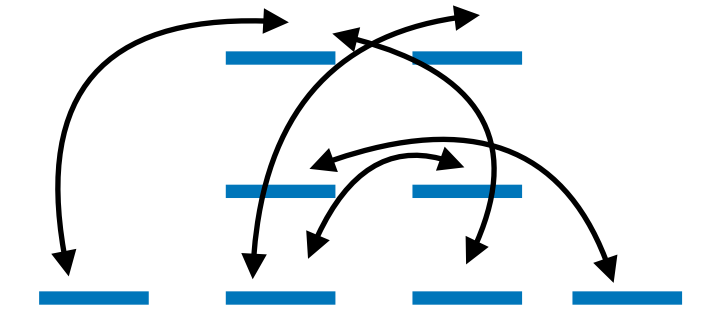
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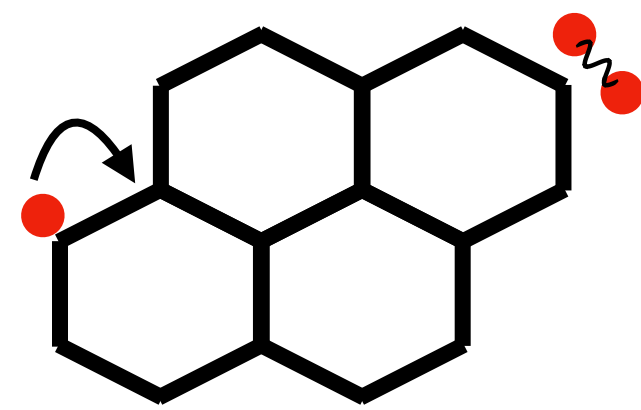
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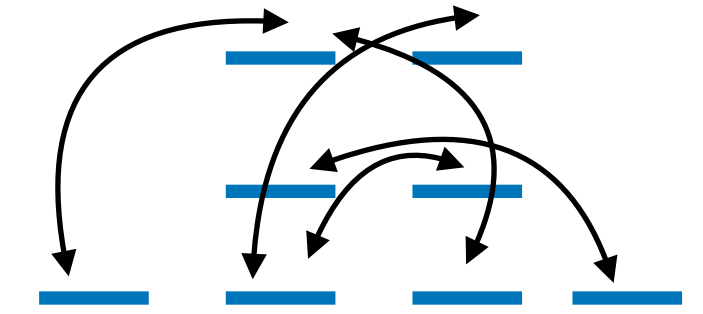
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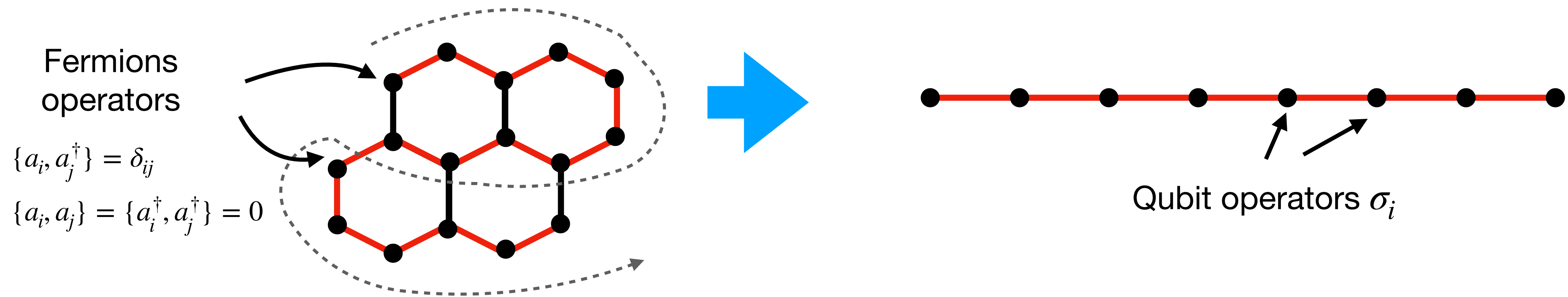
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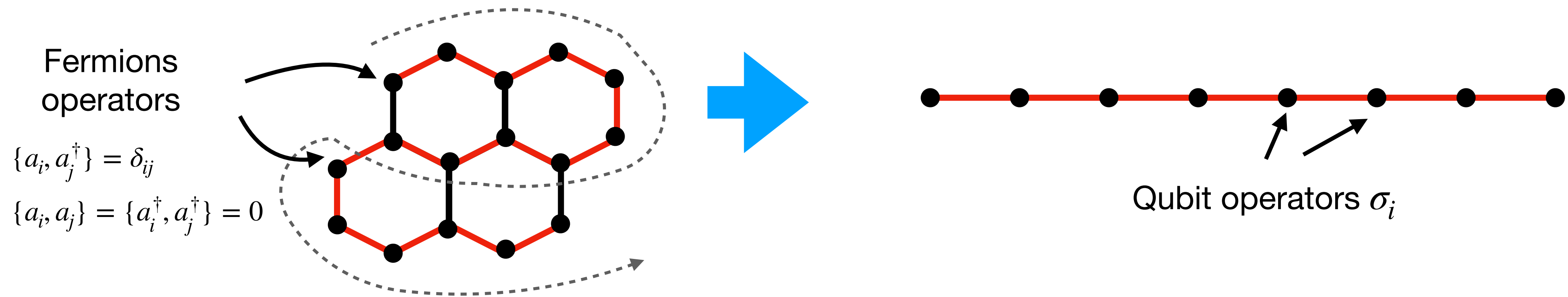
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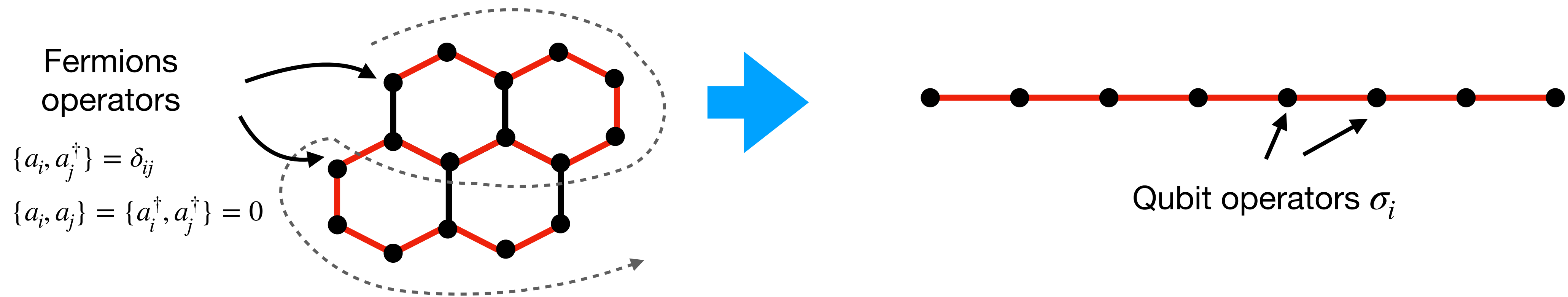


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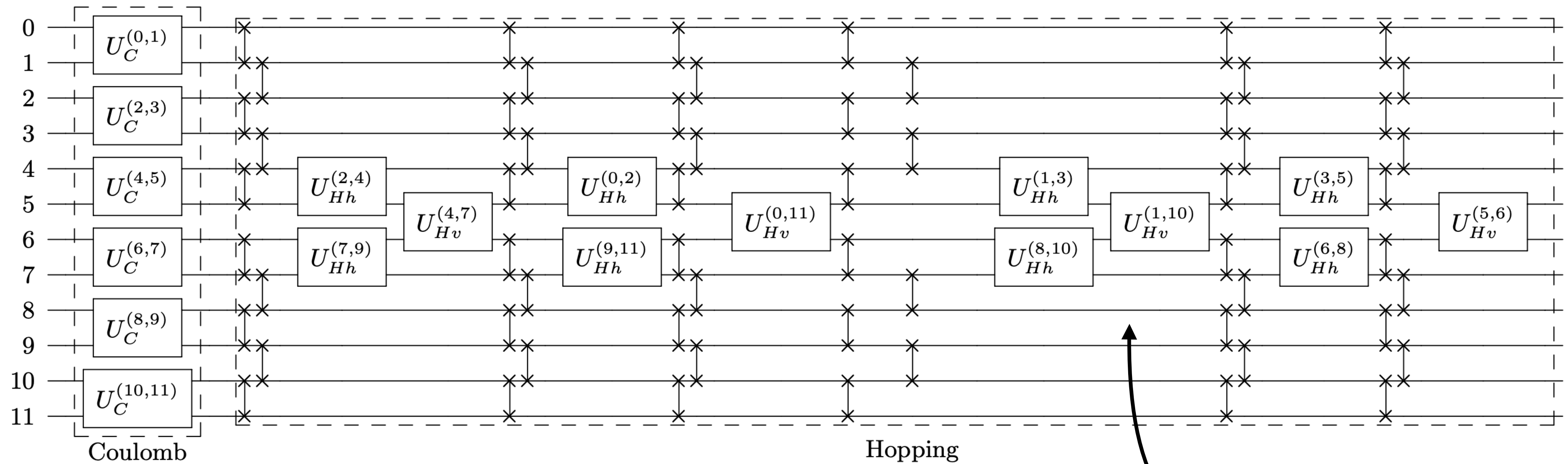
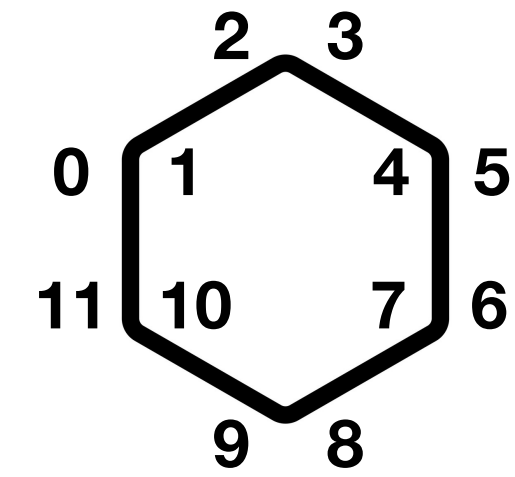
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adiabatic errors

adiabatic+circuit errors

circuit for $e^{-i\mathcal{H}(s)\delta t}$ for 1 hexagon



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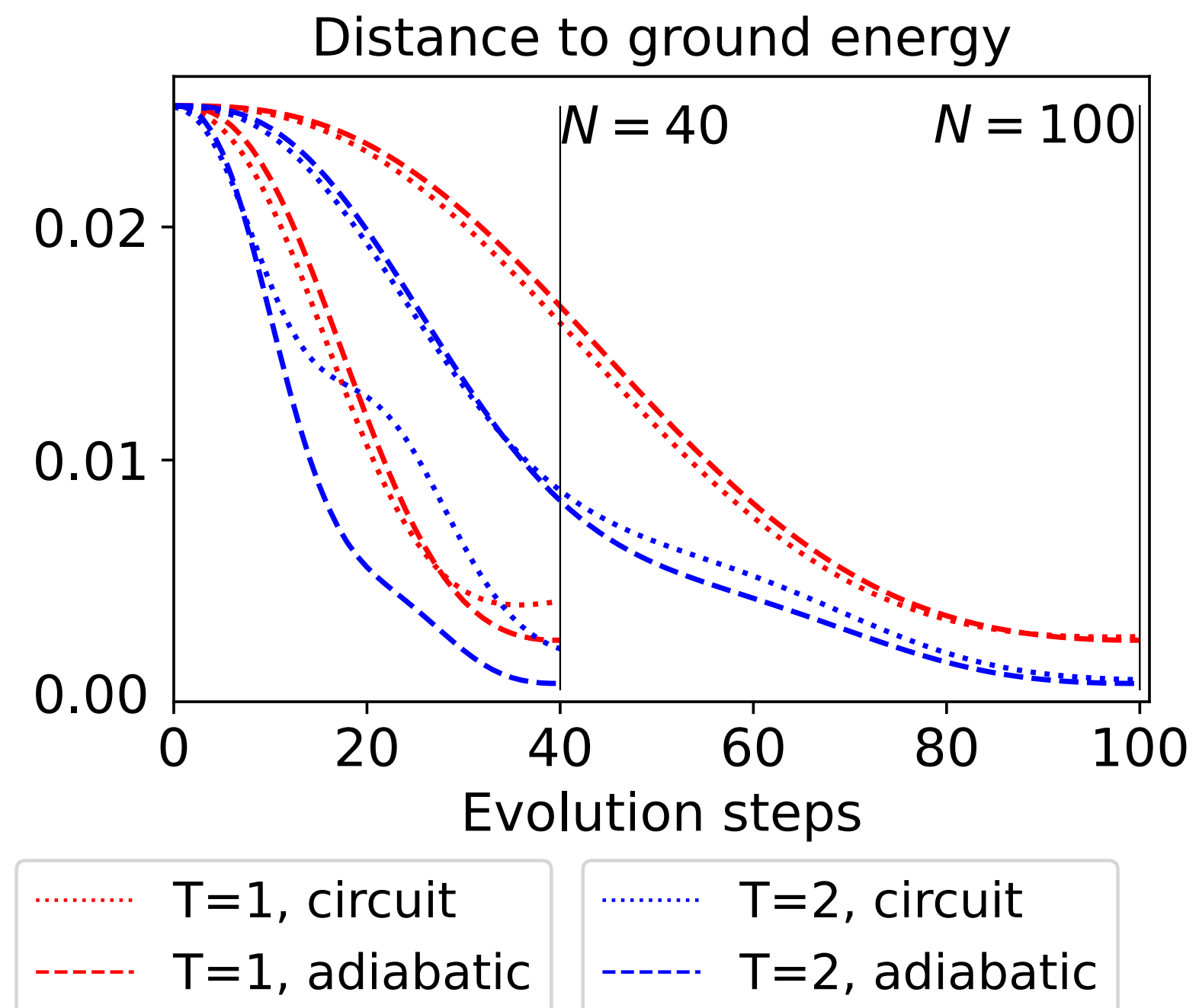
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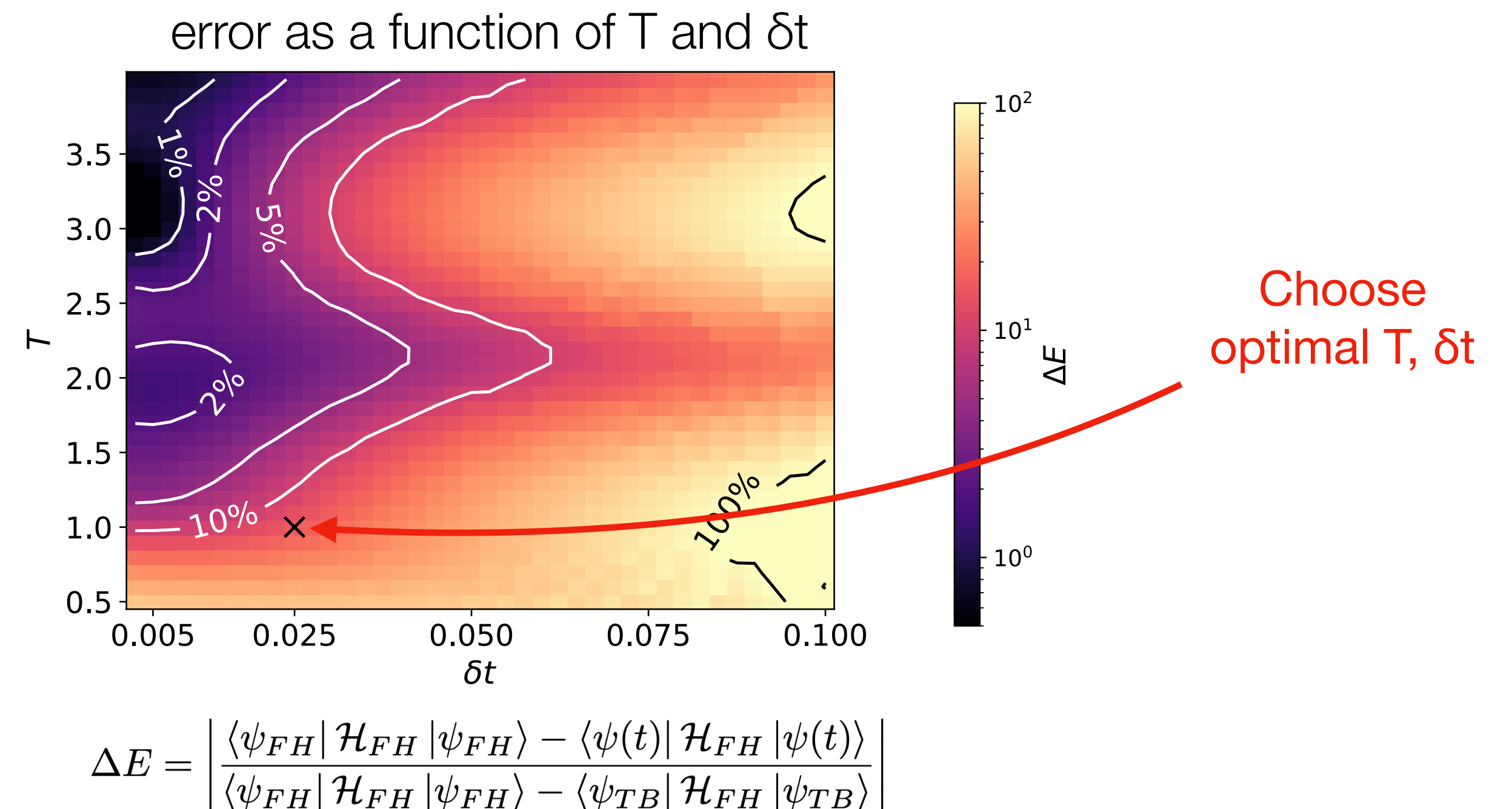
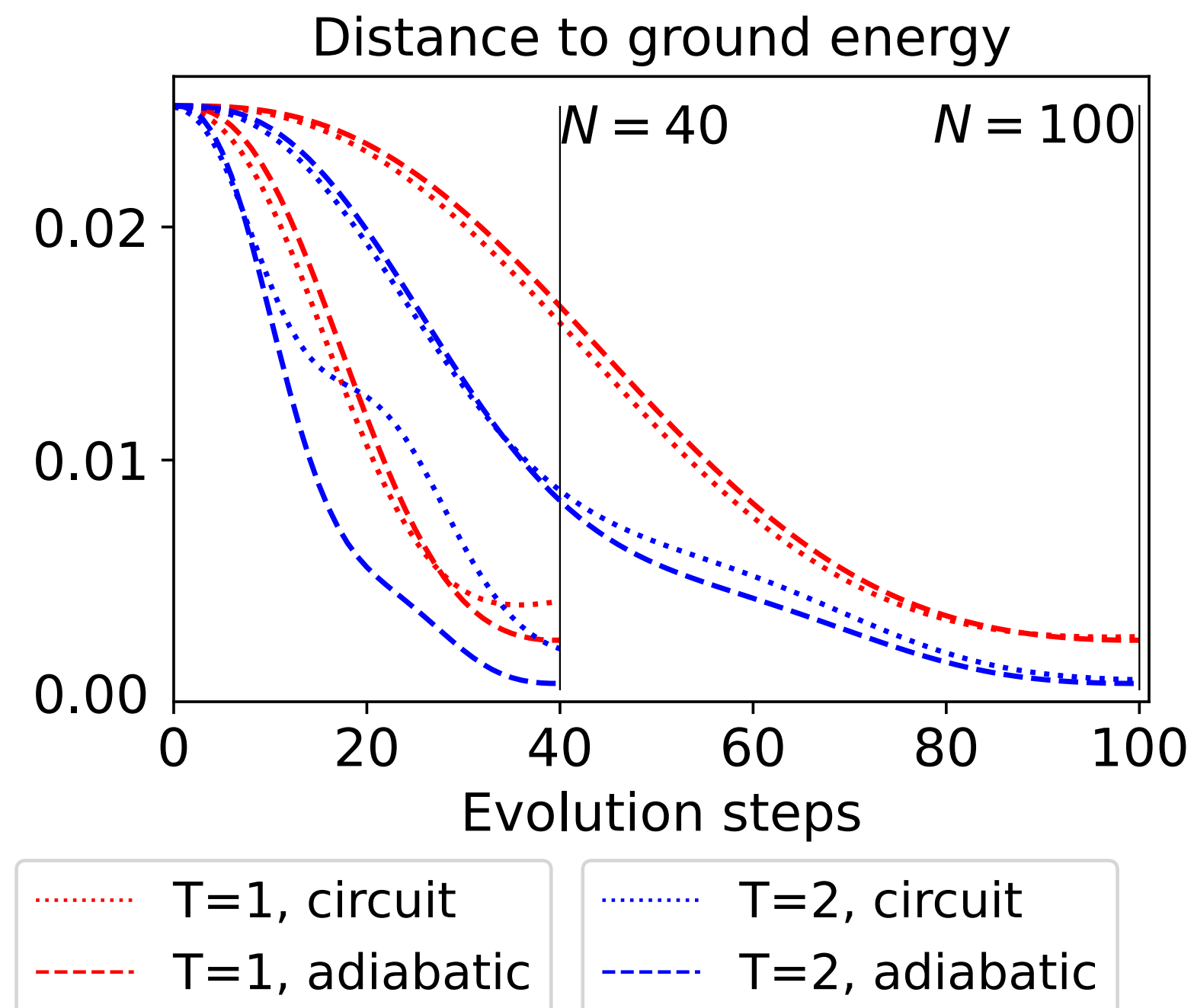


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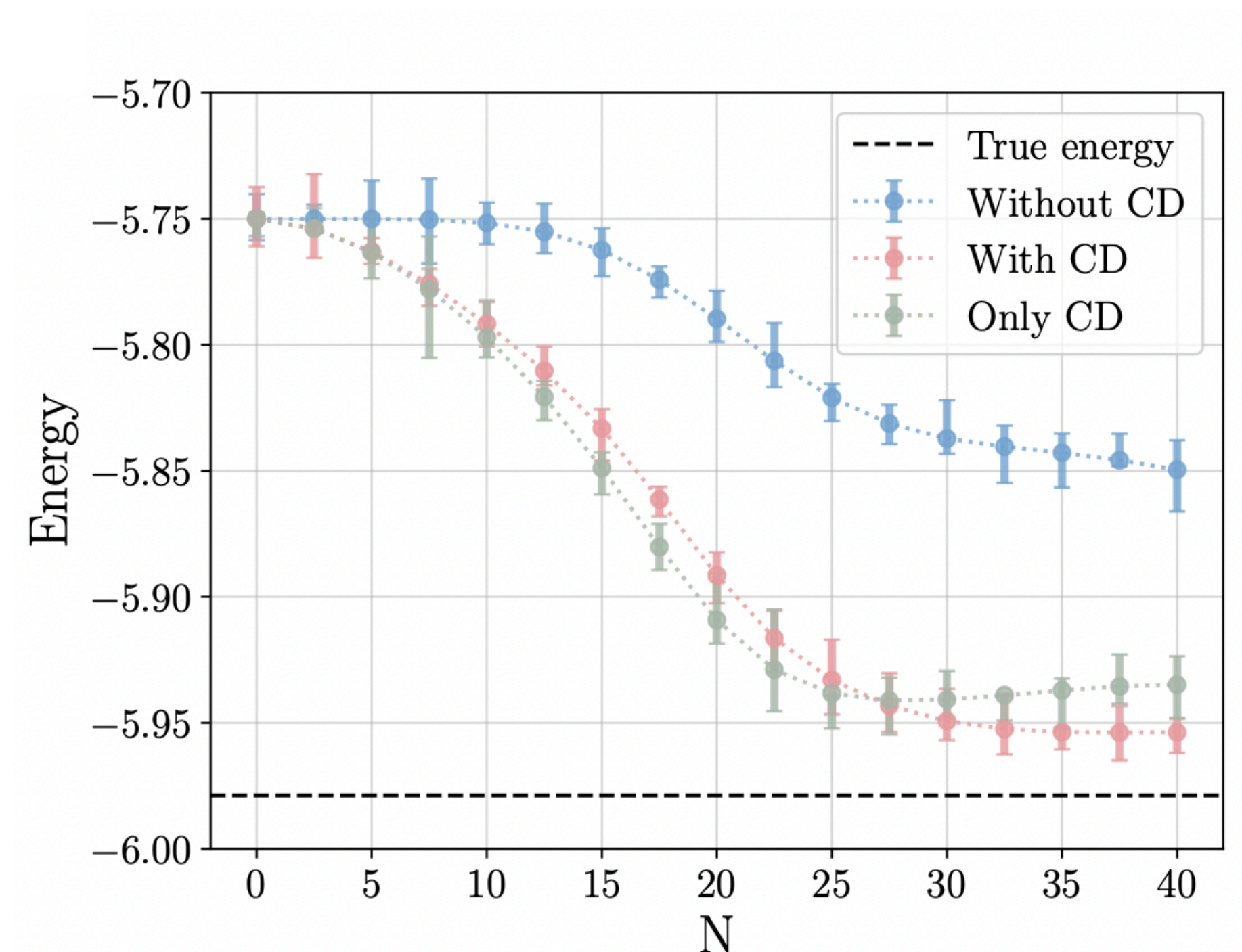
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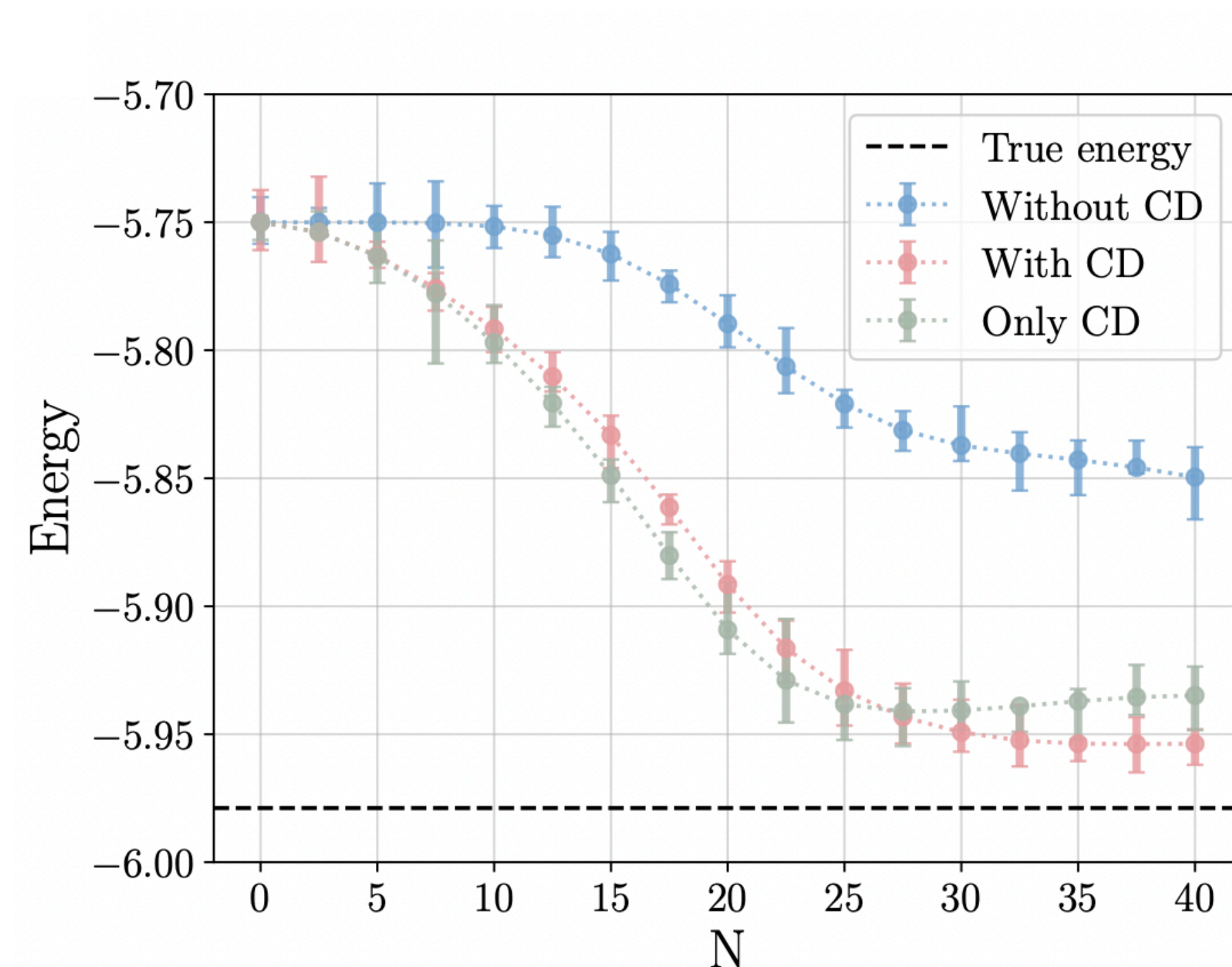
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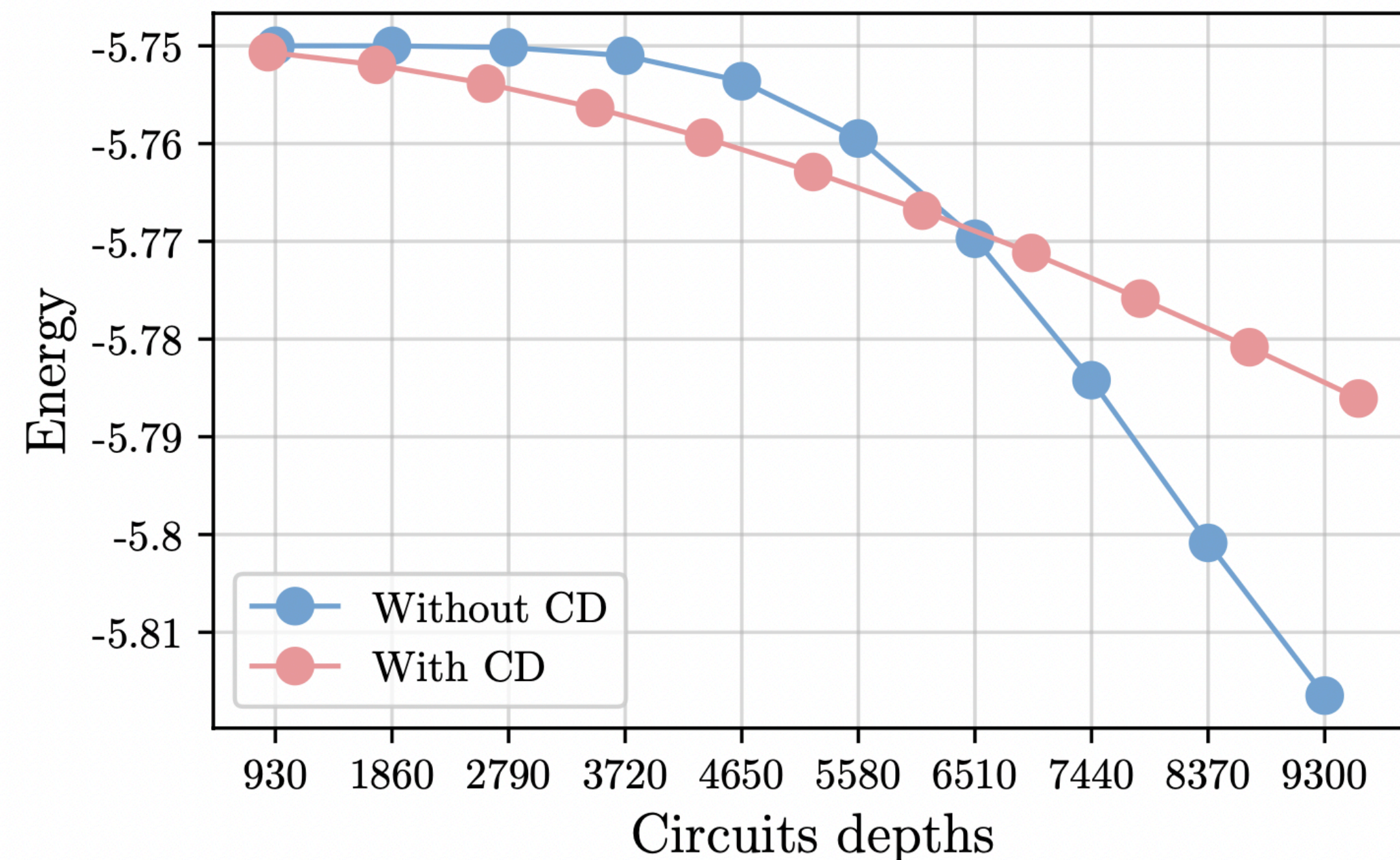
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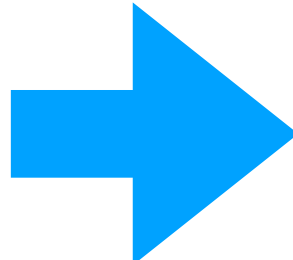
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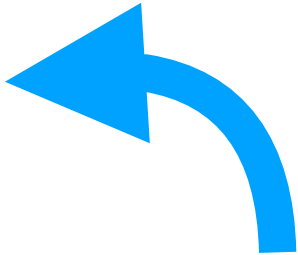
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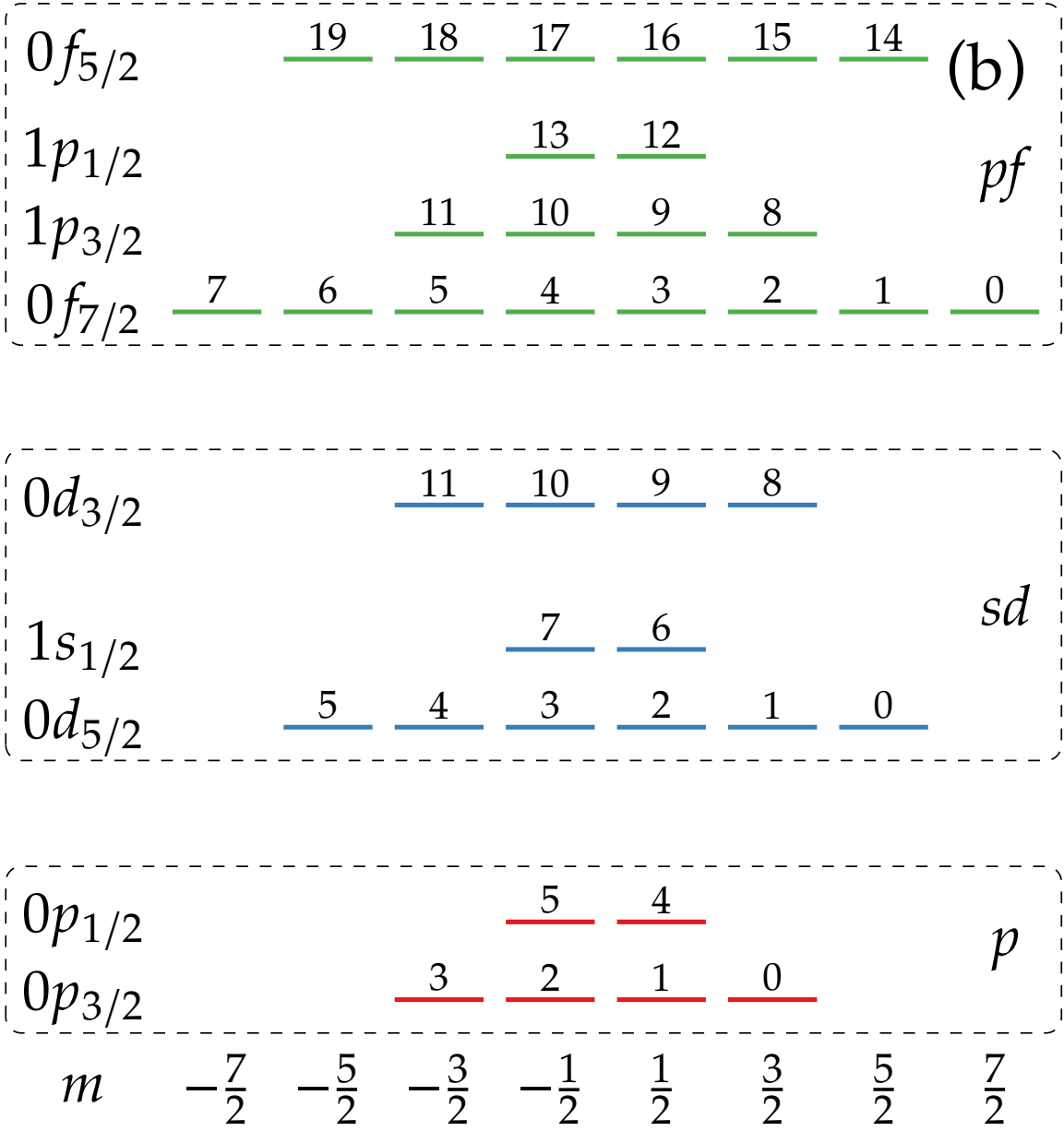
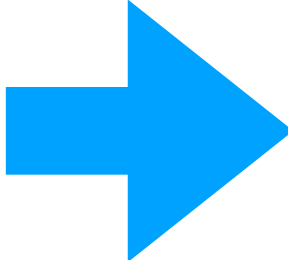
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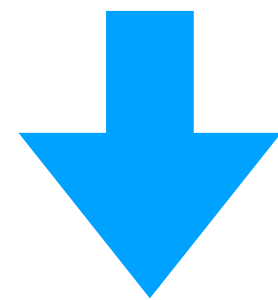
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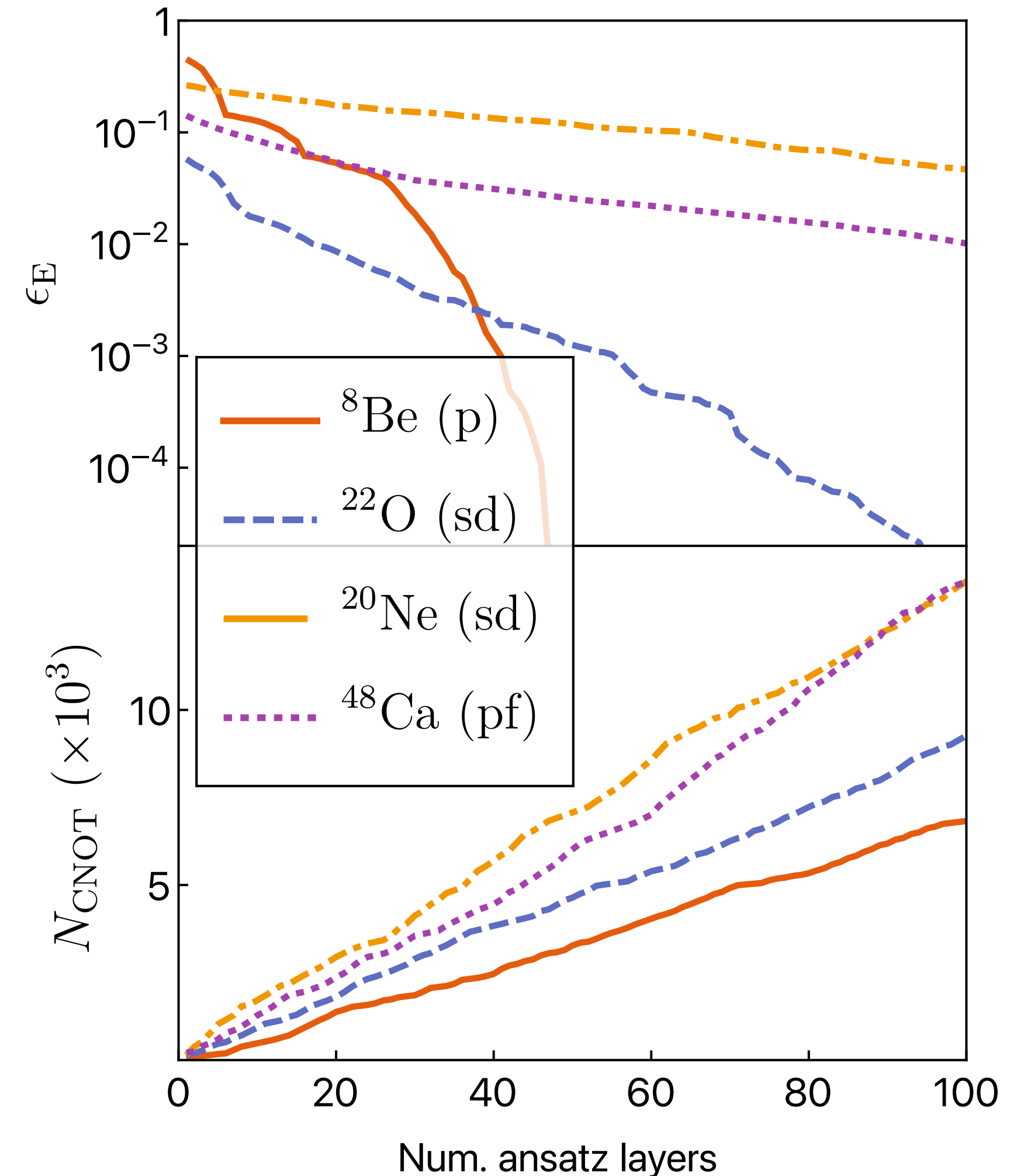
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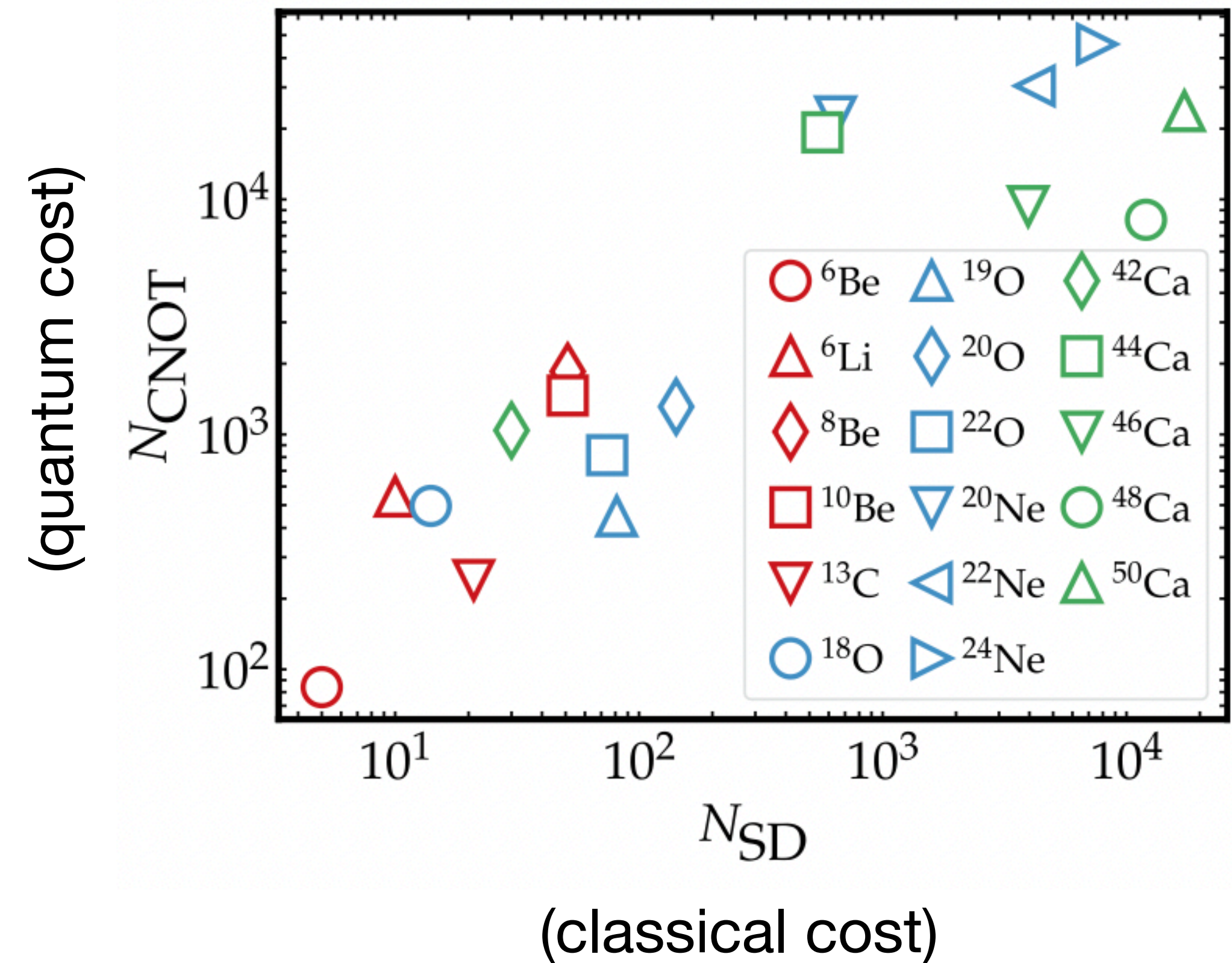


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num. parameters for each nuclei

shell	N_q	N_{SD}	nucleus	N_{layers}	ϵ_r bound
p	6	5	${}^6\text{Be}$	2	10^{-5}
	12	10	${}^6\text{Li}$	9	10^{-7}
		51	${}^8\text{Be}$	48	10^{-5}
		51	${}^{10}\text{Be}$	48	10^{-5}
		42	${}^{13}\text{C}$	17	10^{-5}
sd	12	14	${}^{18}\text{O}$	5	10^{-6}
		74	${}^{19}\text{O}$	32	10^{-6}
		81	${}^{20}\text{O}$	70	10^{-6}
		142	${}^{22}\text{O}$	119	10^{-6}
	24	640	${}^{20}\text{Ne}$	167	2×10^{-2}
		4206	${}^{22}\text{Ne}$	236	2×10^{-2}
		7562	${}^{24}\text{Ne}$	345	2×10^{-2}
pf	20	30	${}^{42}\text{Ca}$	9	10^{-8}
		565	${}^{44}\text{Ca}$	132	10^{-2}
		3952	${}^{46}\text{Ca}$	124	10^{-2}
		12022	${}^{48}\text{Ca}$	101	10^{-2}
		17276	${}^{50}\text{Ca}$	221	10^{-2}

scaling QC vs scaling ED



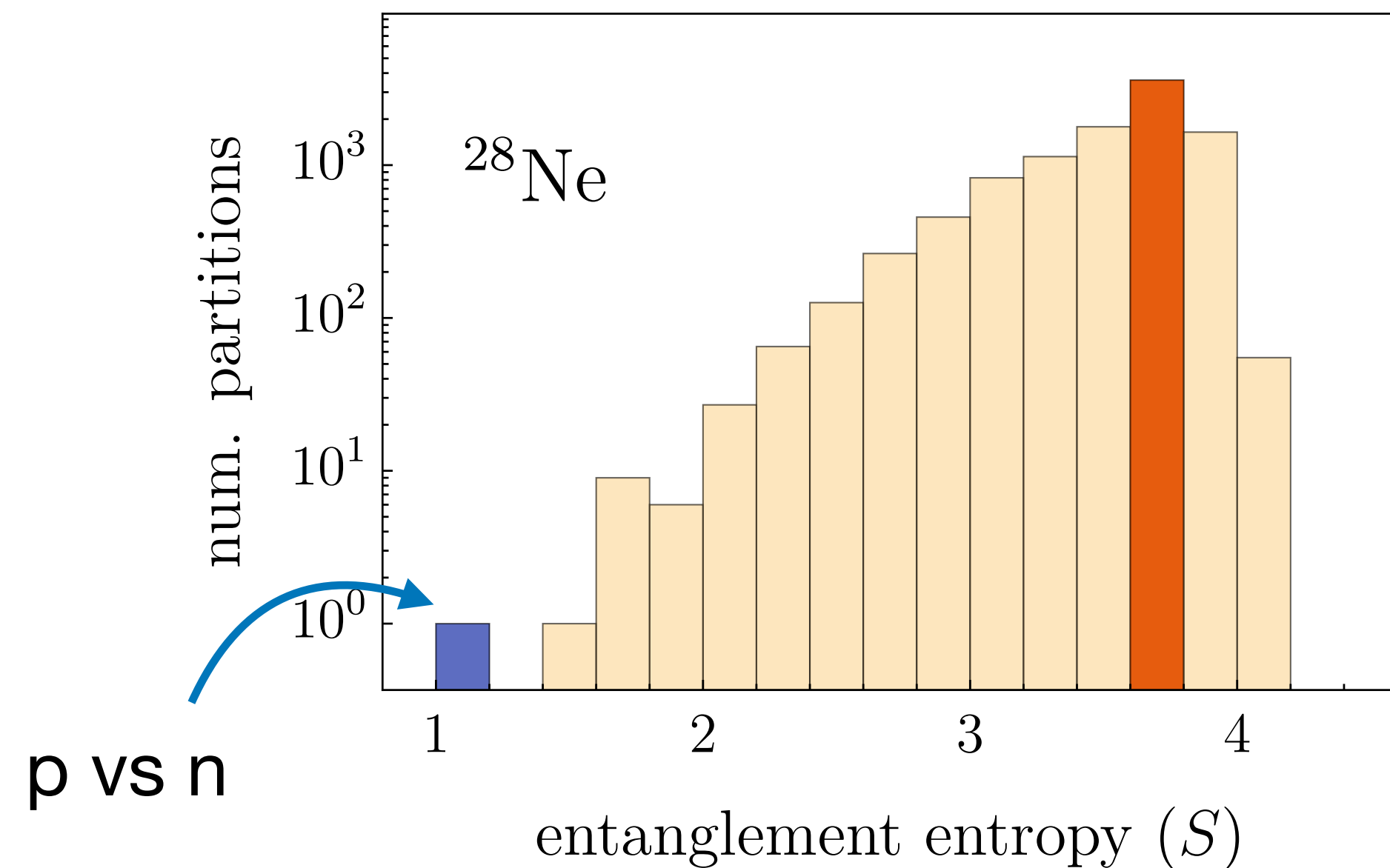
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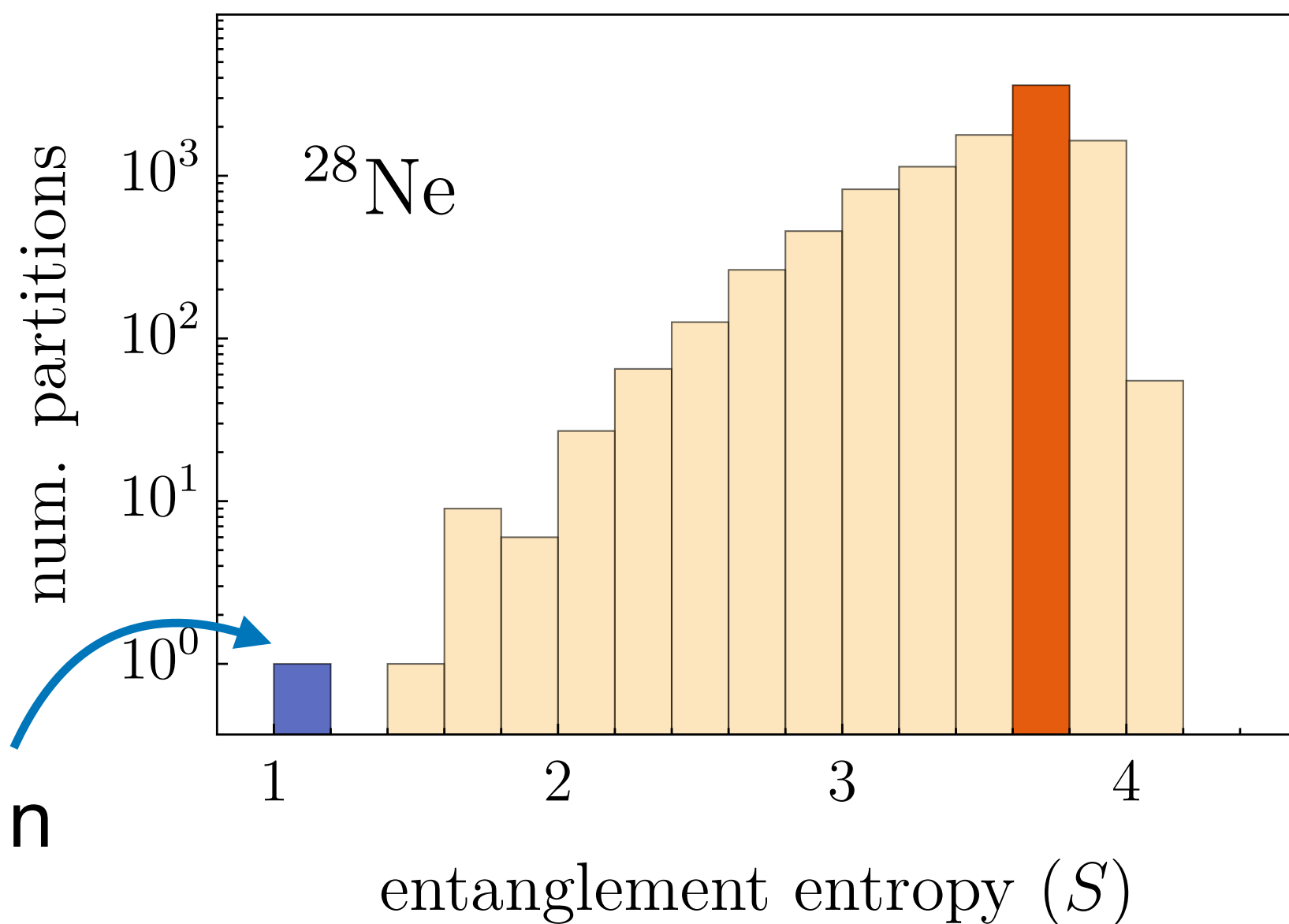
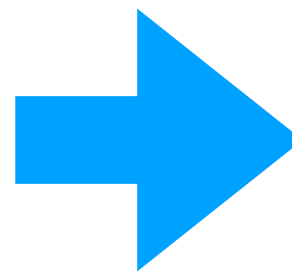
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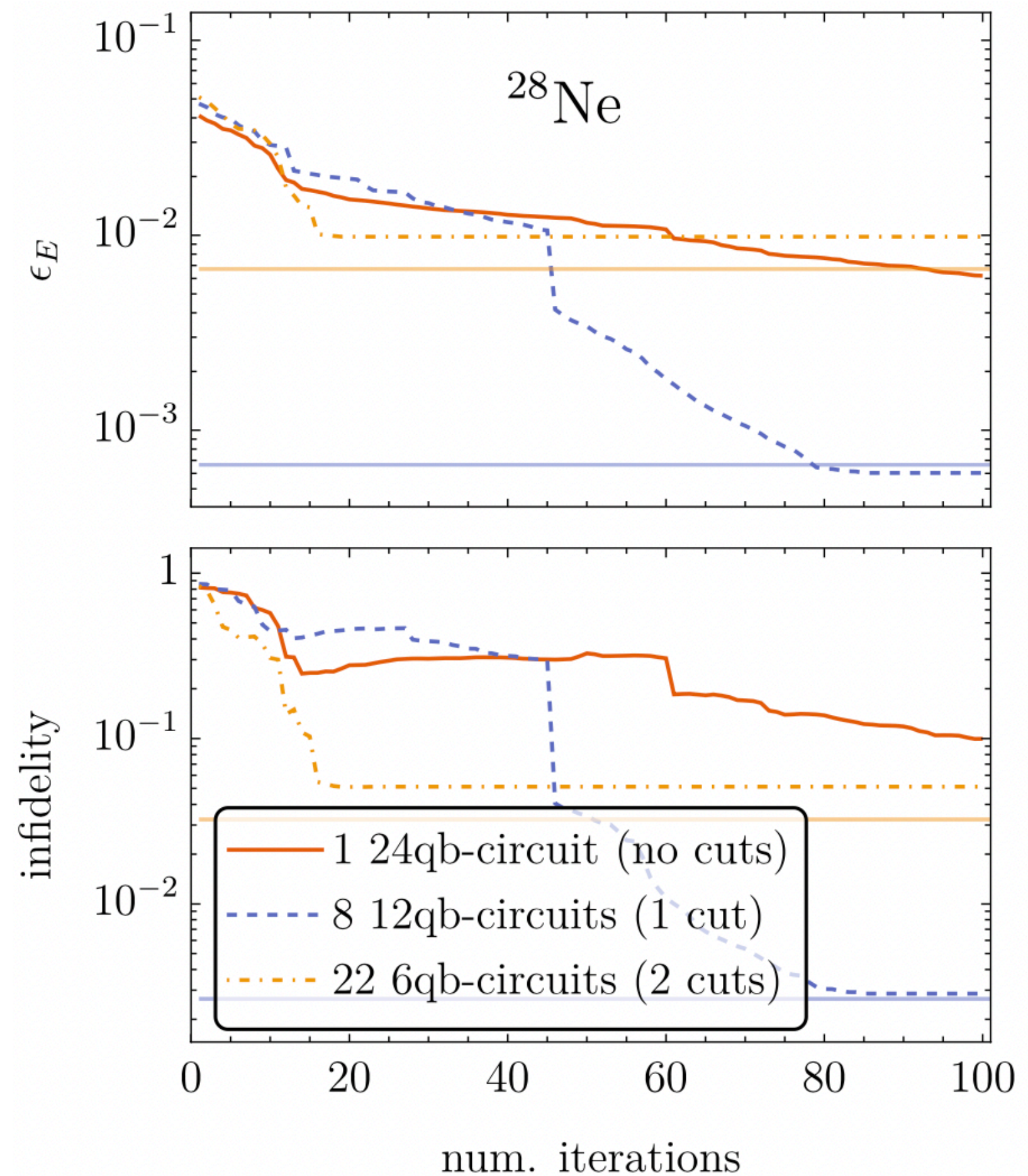
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$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_j c_j |\phi_j^{(\mathbf{p})}\rangle \otimes |\phi_j^{(\mathbf{n})}\rangle$$



Summary

1. Devised and simulated quantum **algorithms for nuclei and graphene**

—> Jordan Wigner mapping: one orbital per qubit

1. **Adiabatic evolution for graphene**

Polynomial scaling of periods and time steps, efficient measurement

Shortcuts to adiabaticity improve the efficiency but depending on time period

2. **Adaptive variational for nuclei:**

Errors decrease exponentially fast with num. parameters

No barren plateaus found

Exponential speed up vs classical computers not clear when going to heavy nuclei