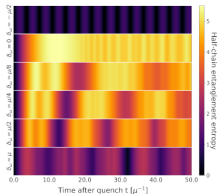
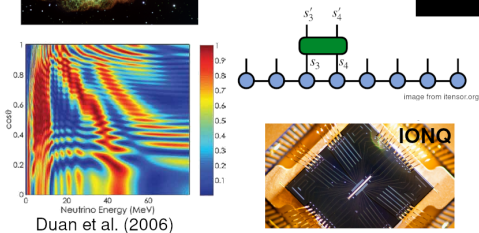
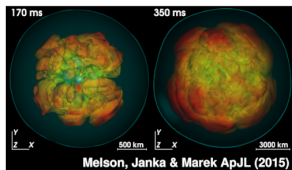
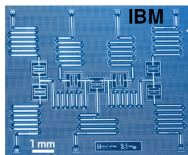


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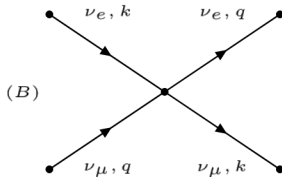
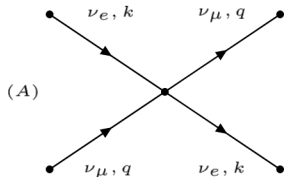


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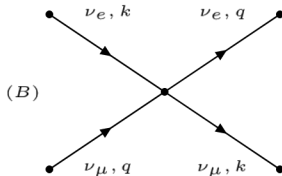
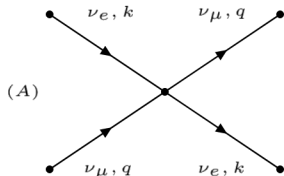
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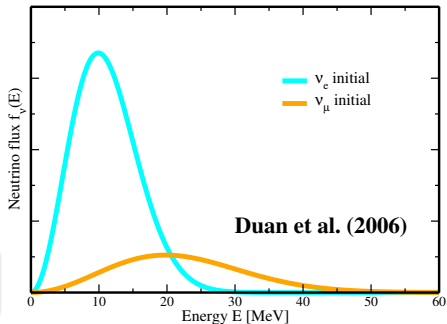
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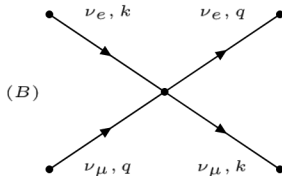
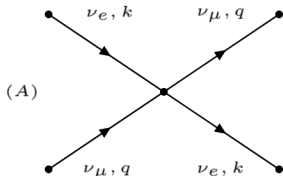
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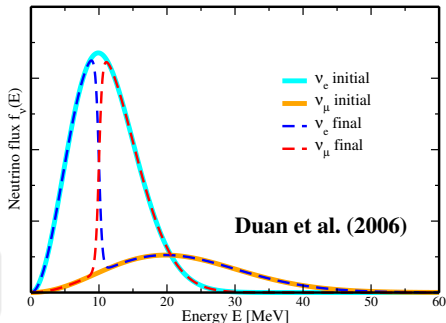
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# Two-flavor approximation and the iso-spin Hamiltonian

Consider two active flavors ( $\nu_e, \nu_x$ ) and encode flavor amplitudes for a neutrino with momentum  $p_i$  into an  $SU(2)$  iso-spin:

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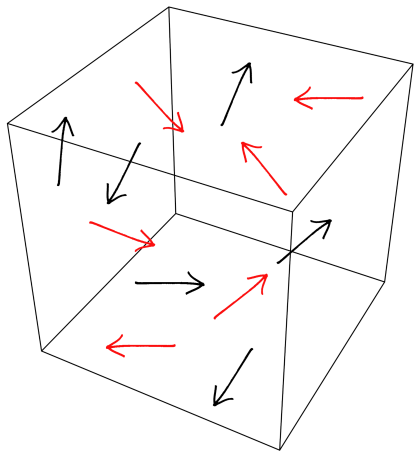
A system of  $N$  interacting neutrinos is then described by the Hamiltonian

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- interaction with matter:  $\lambda = \sqrt{2}G_F\rho_e$
- neutrino-neutrino interaction:  $\mu = \sqrt{2}G_F\rho_\nu$ 
  - dependence on momentum direction:  $\cos(\phi_{ij}) = \frac{\vec{p}_i}{\|\vec{p}_i\|} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}_j}{\|\vec{p}_j\|}$

for a full derivation, see e.g. Pehlivan et al. PRD(2011)

## Finite size effects and thermodynamic limit



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For astrophysically relevant predictions need to understand how the system behaves when  $V \rightarrow \infty$  and  $N \rightarrow \infty$  while keeping  $\rho_\nu = N/V$  constant

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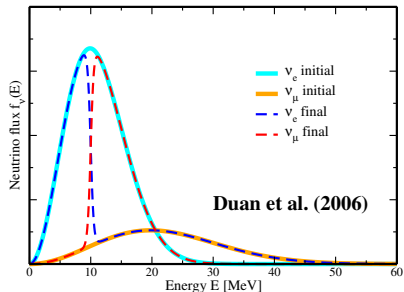
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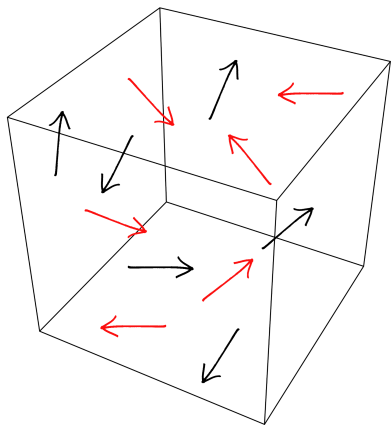
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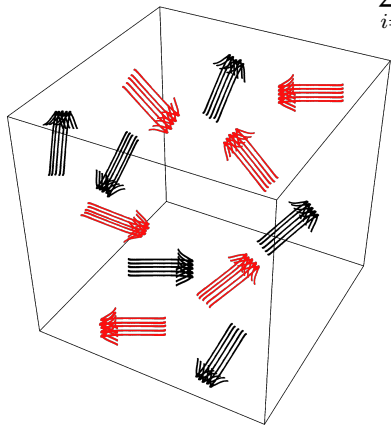
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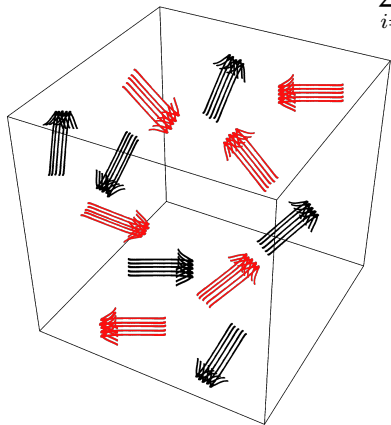
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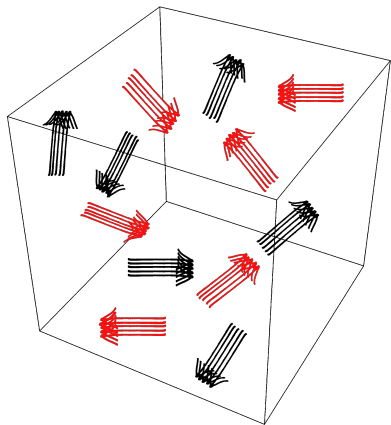
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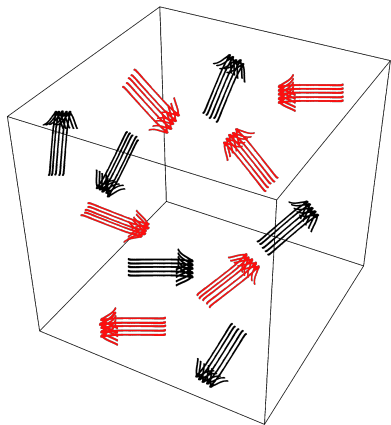
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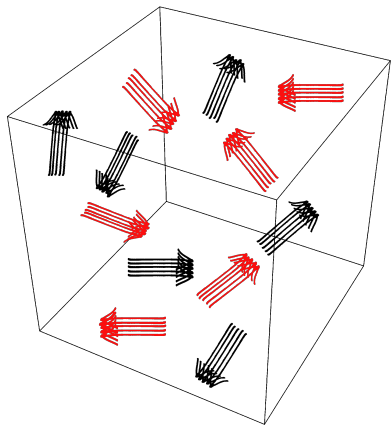
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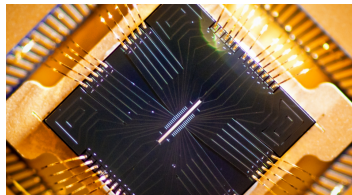
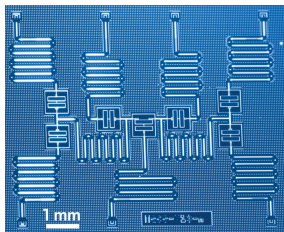
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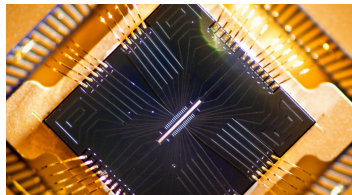
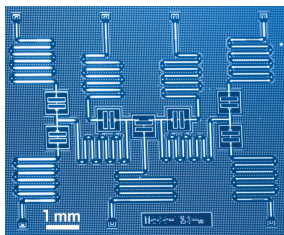
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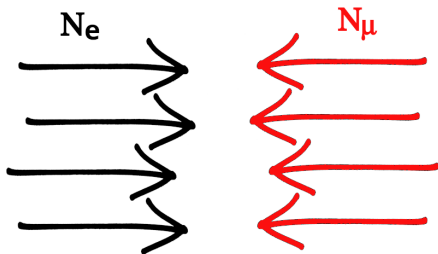
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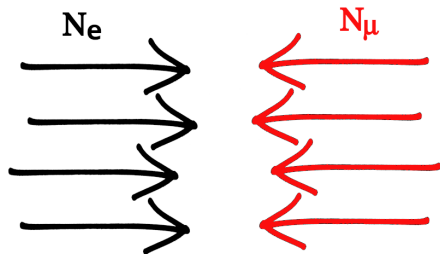
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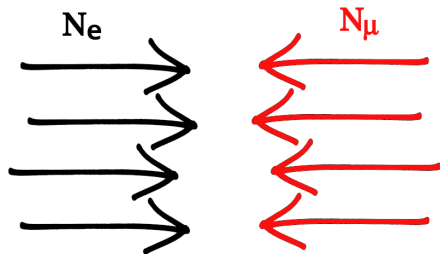
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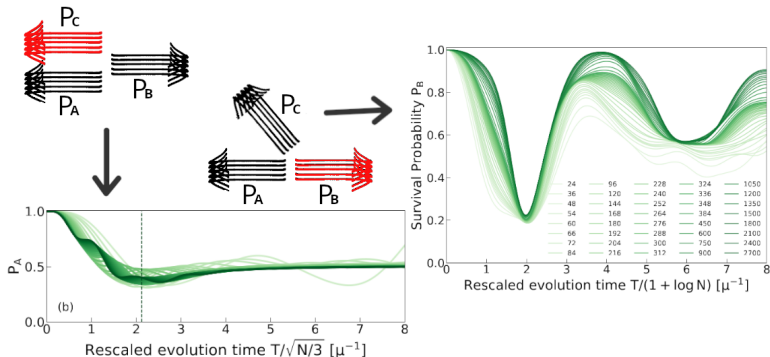
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AR, E. Rrapaj, Z. Xiong PRD(2022)

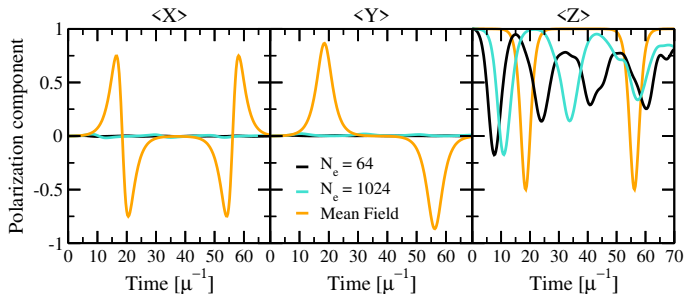


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- fast/slow modes shown equivalent in MF

D.Fiorillo & G.Raffelt PRD(2023)

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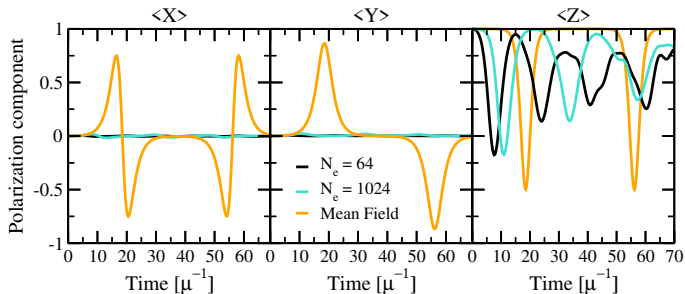
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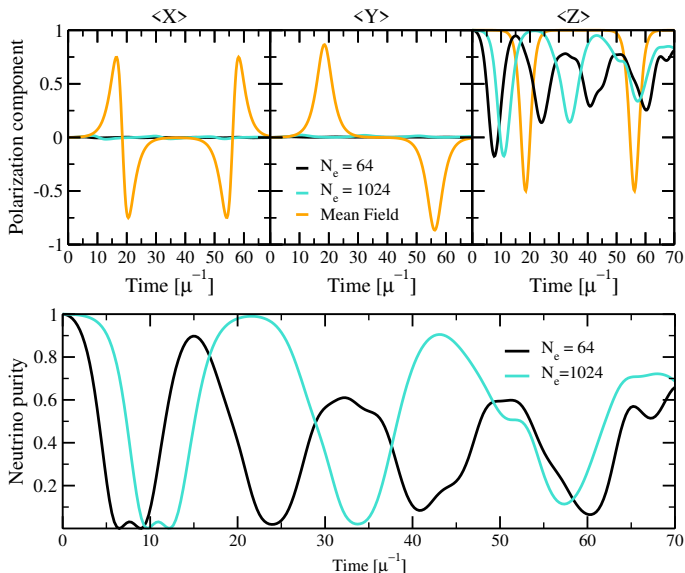
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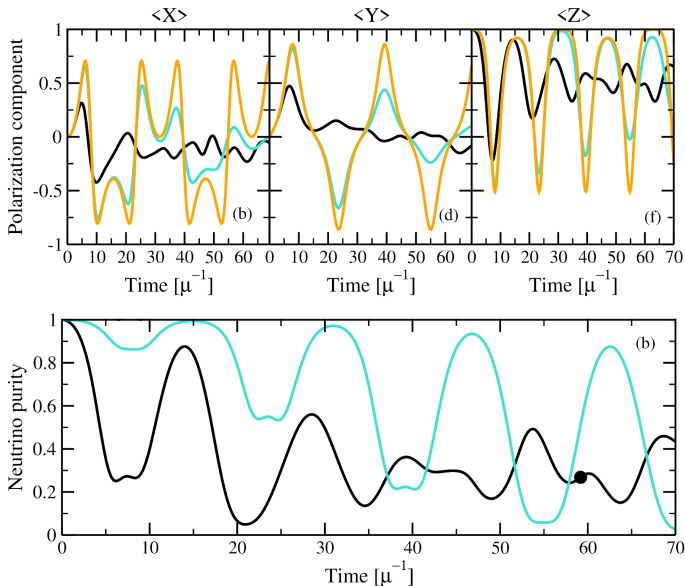
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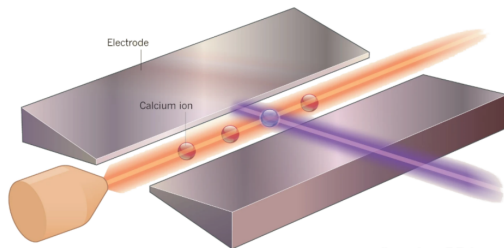


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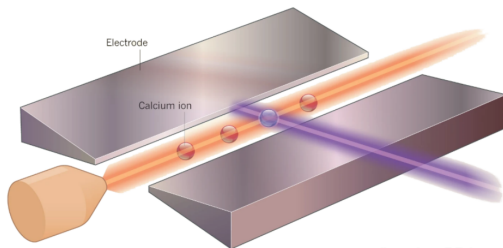
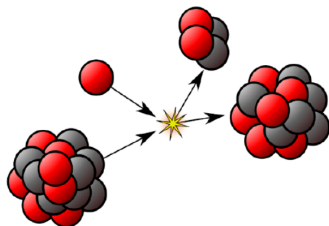


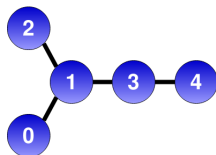
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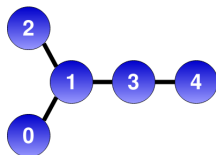
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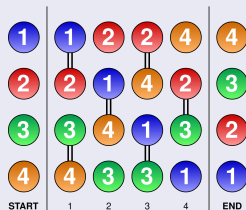
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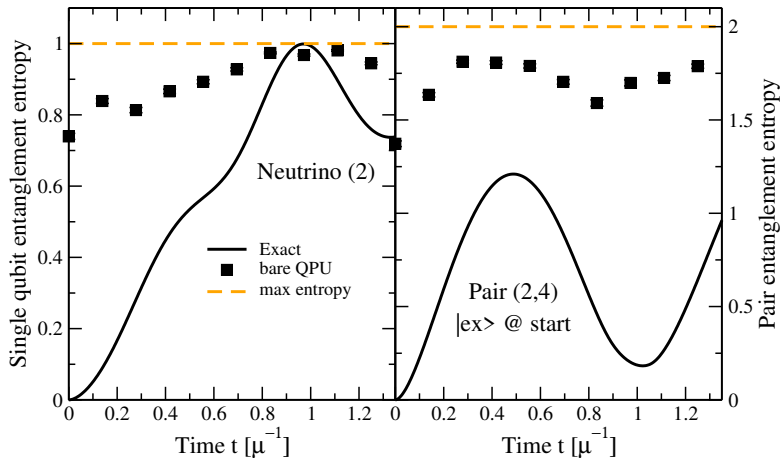
- SWAP qubits every time we apply time-evolution to neighboring terms
- in  $N$  steps we perform full evolution using only  $\binom{N}{2}$  two qubit gates
  - NOTE: final order will be reversed

Kivlichan et al. PRL (2018)

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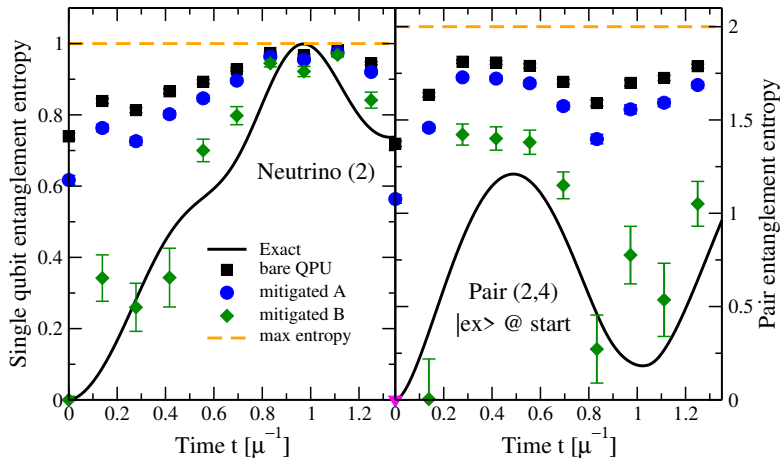


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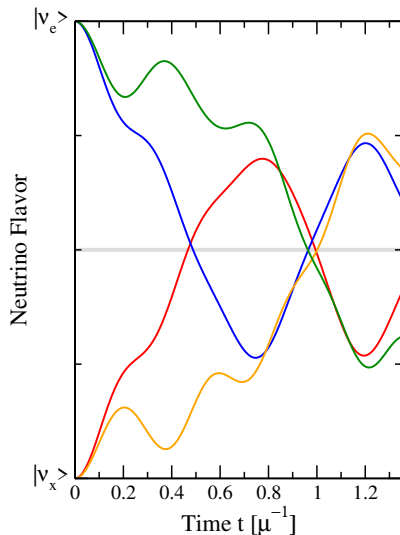
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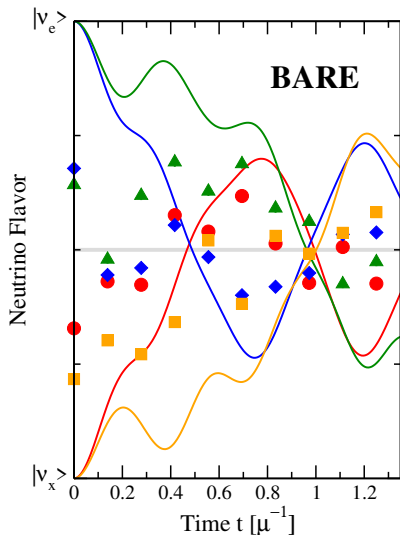
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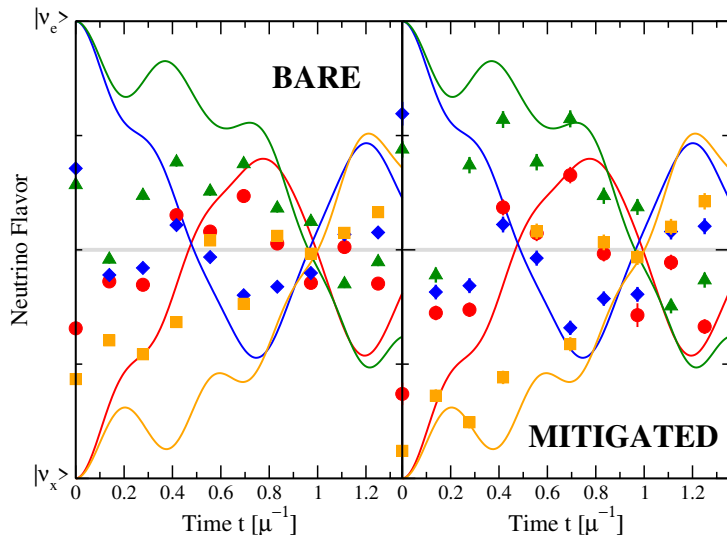
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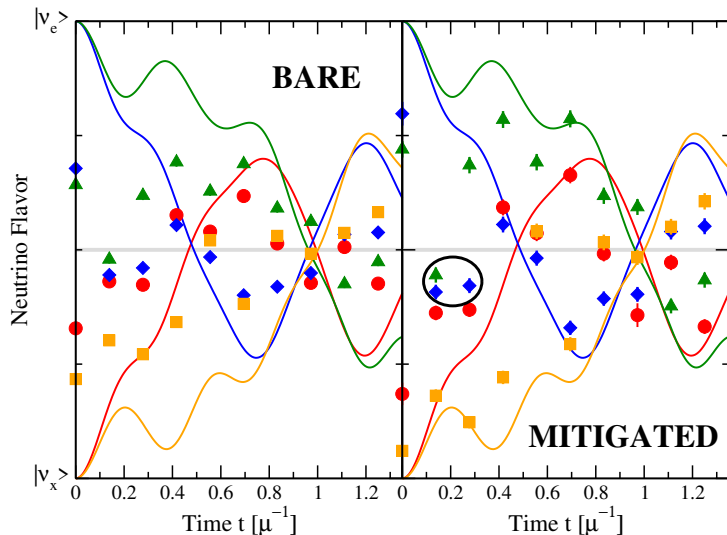
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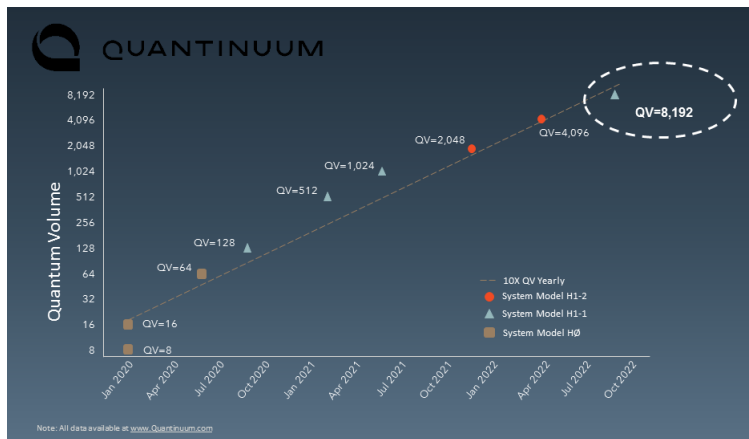
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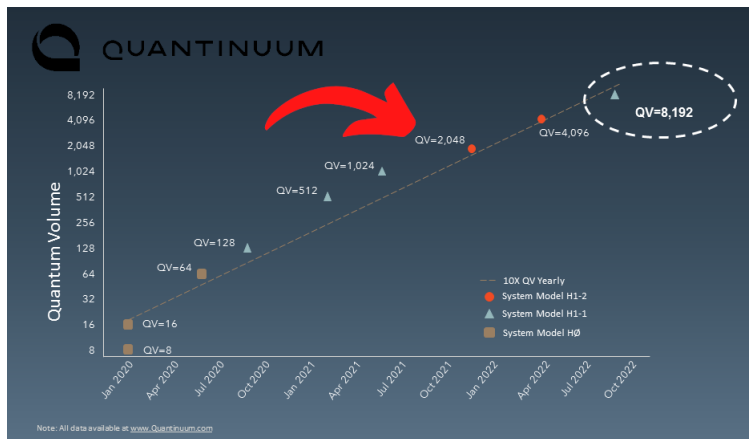
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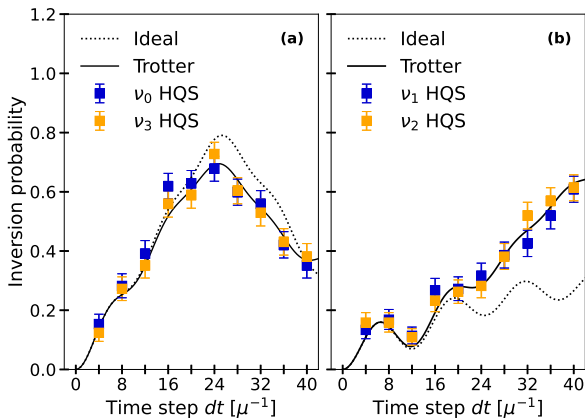




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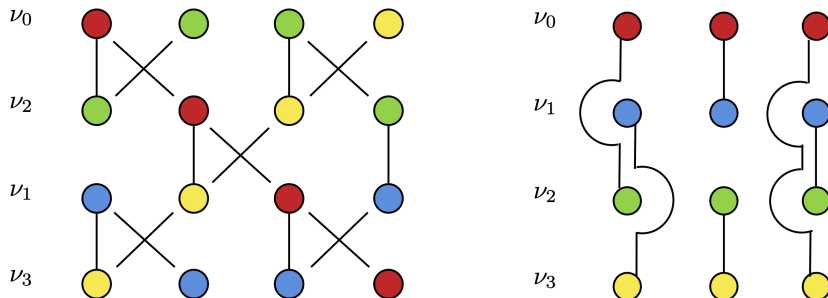
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# Practical advantages of trapped ion devices

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- all-to-all connectivity allows a reduction in circuit depth and the possibility of exploring different orderings for the decomposition

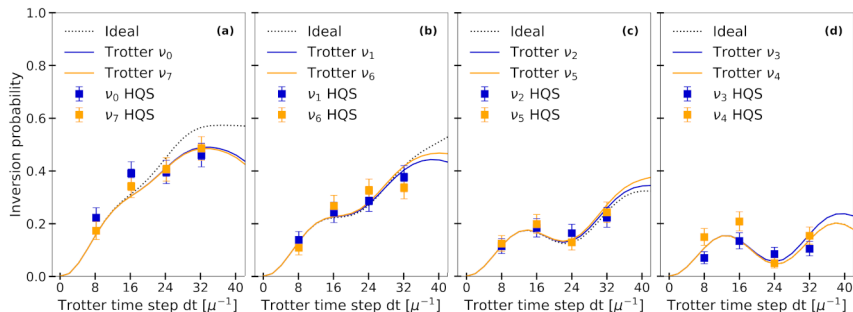


- removing SWAPs allows for a big **reduction in number of rotations**
- very low infidelities:**  $\approx 5 \times 10^{-5}$  one-qubit,  $\approx 3 \times 10^{-3}$  two-qubit

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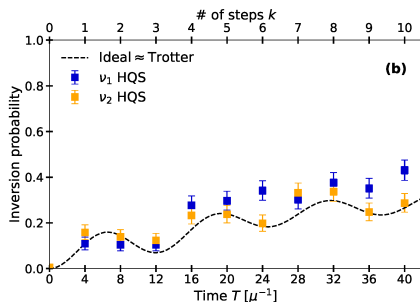
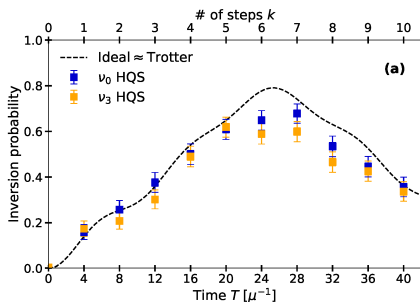
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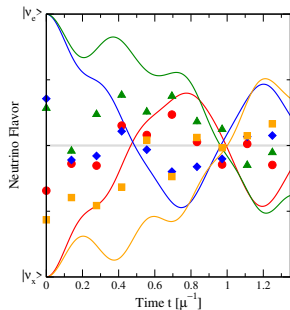
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$N = 4$  neutrinos, multiple time steps

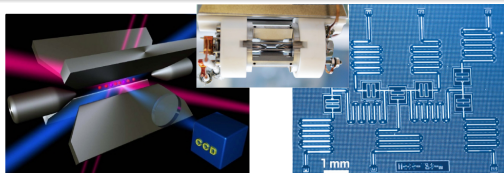


the the Last two points required:  $\approx 350$  two-qubit gates over 8 qubits

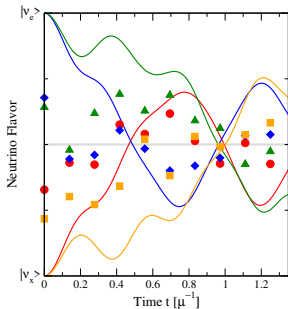
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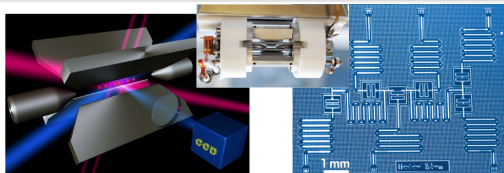
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## Possible paths to scalability in the meantime

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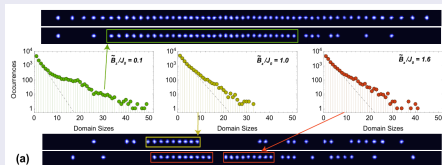


figure from Zhang et al Nature(2017)

- Describe low entanglement states with Tensor Networks

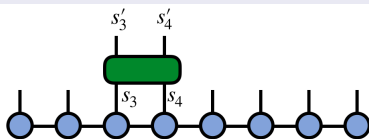
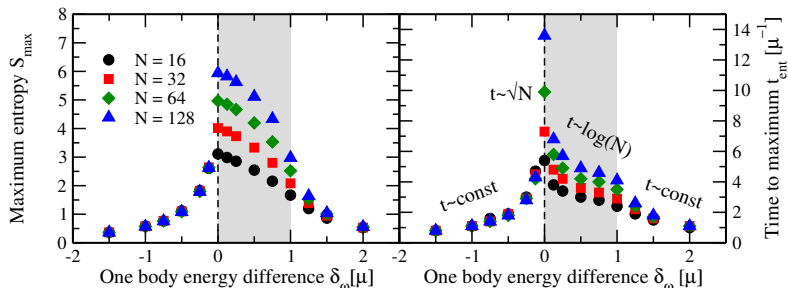


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# Collective oscillations and entanglement scaling

AR, PRD 104, 103016 (2021) & PRD 104, 123023 (2021)



## Why is this interesting?

- entanglement scaling provides general criterion for appearance of collective modes in full many-body treatment
- entropy scaling as  $\log(N) \Rightarrow$  large ab-initio simulations possible
- MPS method fails when entanglement too large  $\Rightarrow$  we can use this to detect interesting regimes to study on quantum simulators!

## Summary and perspectives

- beyond mean field effects in collective neutrino oscillations are an important systematic that needs to be better understood
  - small  $N$  large  $M$  behavior shows possibility of non-negligible effects when unstable modes are present and mixing angles are small
  - large  $N$  small  $M$  behavior computationally very demanding but some progress already now on classical computers **See Josh Martin's talk**
  - what thermodynamic limit is more suitable for supernovae?
- even the basic 2-flavor model for collective oscillations poses a challenging many-body problem well suited to quantum technologies
- first calculations on small scale digital devices show promise in studying flavor evolution and achievable fidelity is advancing at a rapid pace ( $N = 12$  only few months ago [Illia & Savage arXiv:2210.08656])
- analog trapped ion devices are an ideal platform to study mid-size systems as the interactions can be embedded in a natural way
- tensor network methods can help push the boundary of classical simulations and identify interesting regimes to study with simulators



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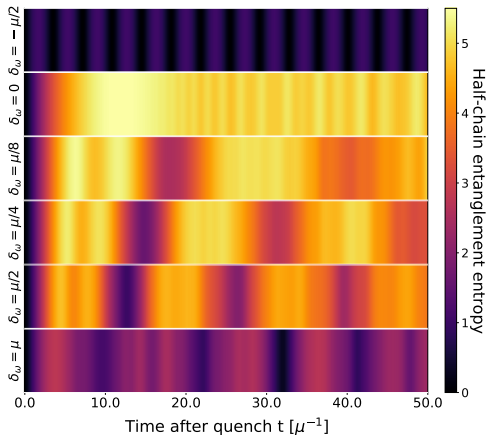
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# Collective oscillations with MPS

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MF predicts no evolution, MPS has oscillations for  $0 \leq \delta_\omega/\mu \lesssim 1$



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Heyl et al. PRL (2013), Heyl PRL (2015), Heyl RPP (2018)

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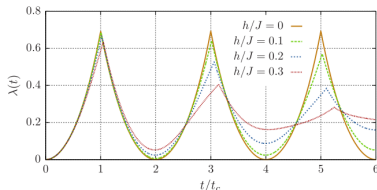
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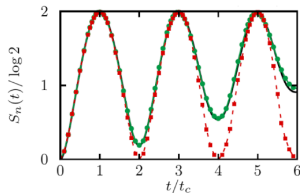
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$$H_{XXZ} = J \sum_i [X_i X_{i+1} + Y_i Y_{i+1} + \Delta Z_i Z_{i+1}]$$

- disordered gapless phase for  $\Delta < 1$
- anti-ferromagnetic phase for  $\Delta > 1$
- critical point at  $\Delta = 1$

$$|\Psi_0\rangle = |\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\cdots\rangle \quad |\Psi'_0\rangle = |\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\cdots\rangle$$

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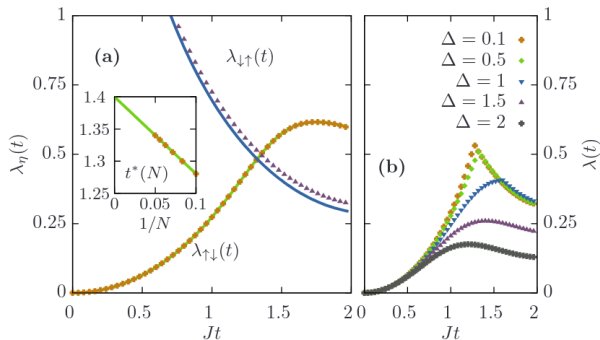
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Both scale exponentially in system size, but with different rates, there is a kink forming if the order between  $\mathcal{L}_0(t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_1(t)$  changes at some  $t = t^*$

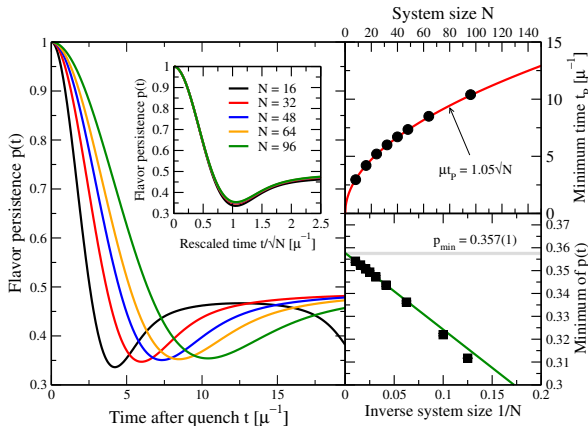


# Simple neutrino model

Friedland & Lunardini (2003), AR (2021)

$$H = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i < j} \vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_j = \frac{1}{N} S^2 + \text{const.} .$$

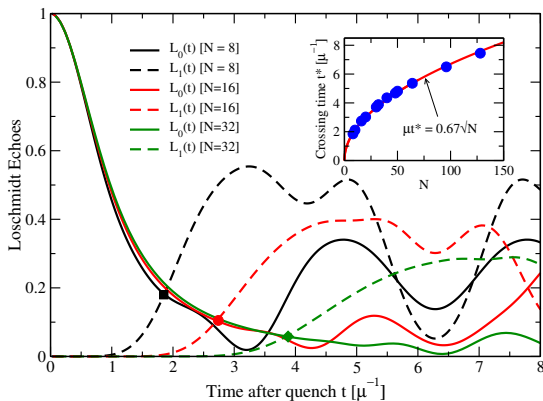
Initialize system in  $|\Psi(0)\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle^{\otimes N/2} \otimes |\uparrow\rangle^{\otimes N/2}$  and compute the flavor persistence  $p(t) = (1 - \langle \Psi(t) | \sigma_1 | \Psi(t) \rangle) / 2$  for increasing system size



## Simple neutrino model II

$$H(x) = \frac{x}{2N} S^2 + (1-x) \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} Z_a Z_b,$$

start at  $x = 0$  and evolve with  $x = 1$ . State is  $|\Psi_0\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle^{\otimes N/2} \otimes |\uparrow\rangle^{\otimes N/2}$ .



Crossing time  $t^*$  diverges as  $\sqrt{N}$   $\Rightarrow$  no evolution for a large system!

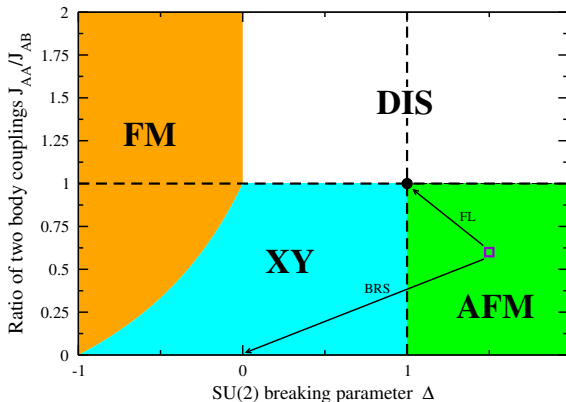


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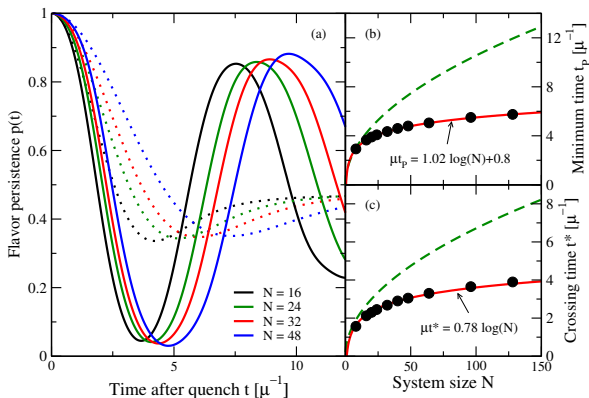


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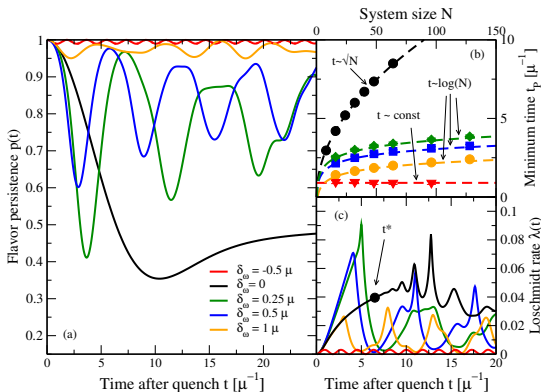
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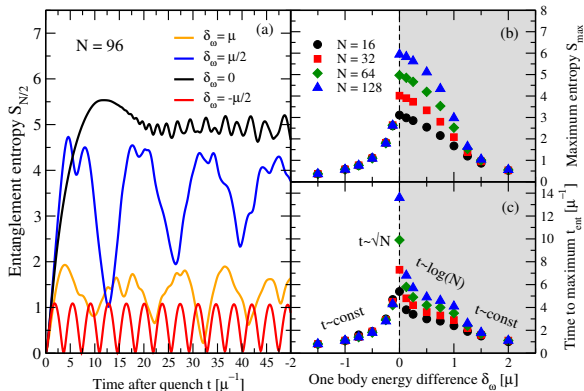
FM ( $\mu < 0$ ) transitions at  $\delta_\omega = \pm\mu$  between gapped and gapless phases



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# Entanglement entropy for bipolar model

