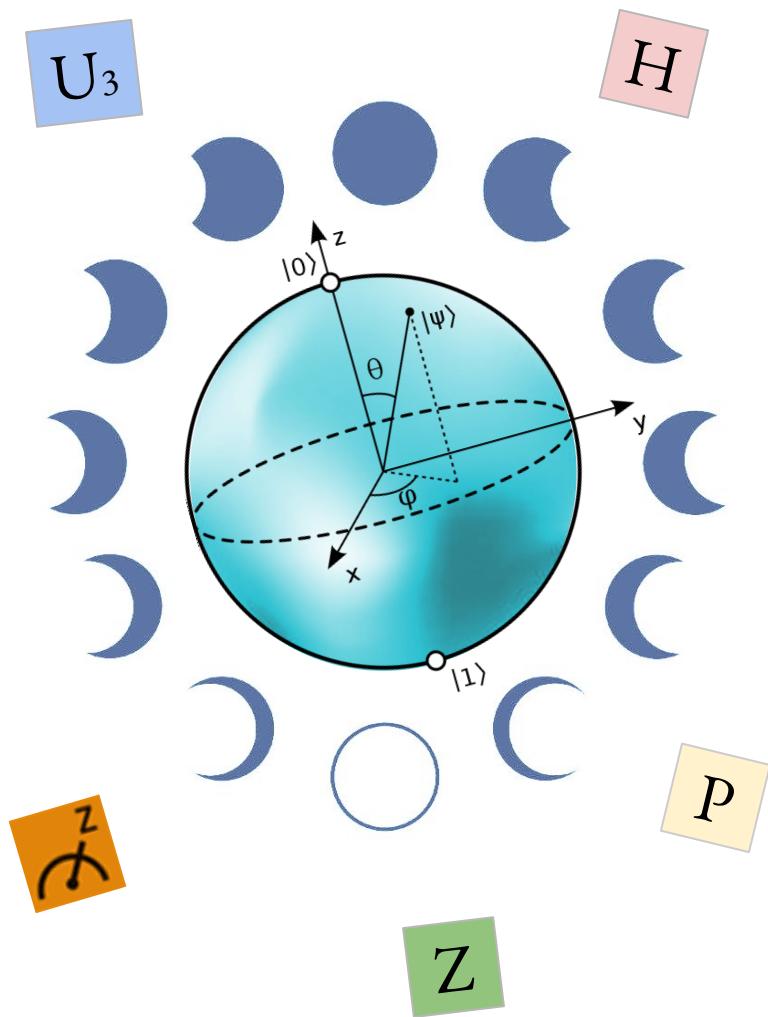


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# Phase Estimation Algorithm for Quantum Computing

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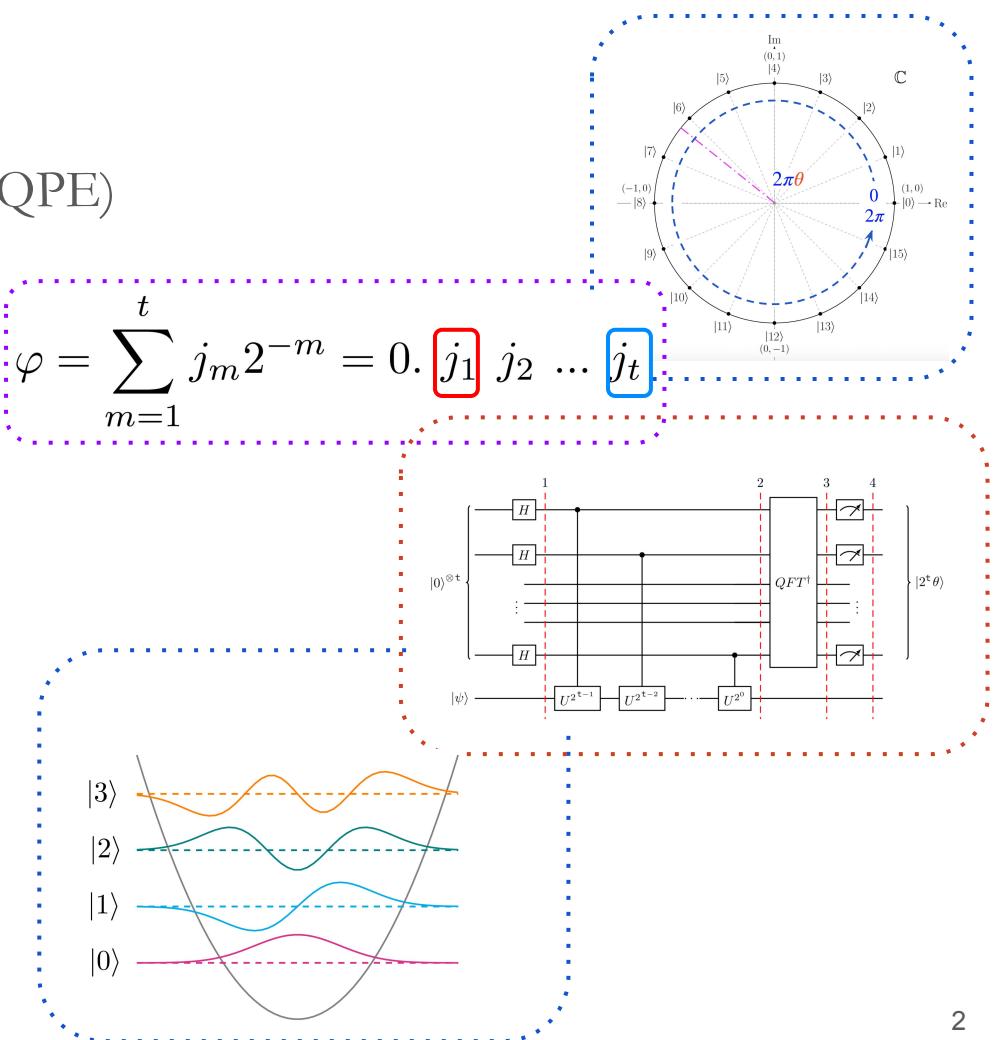


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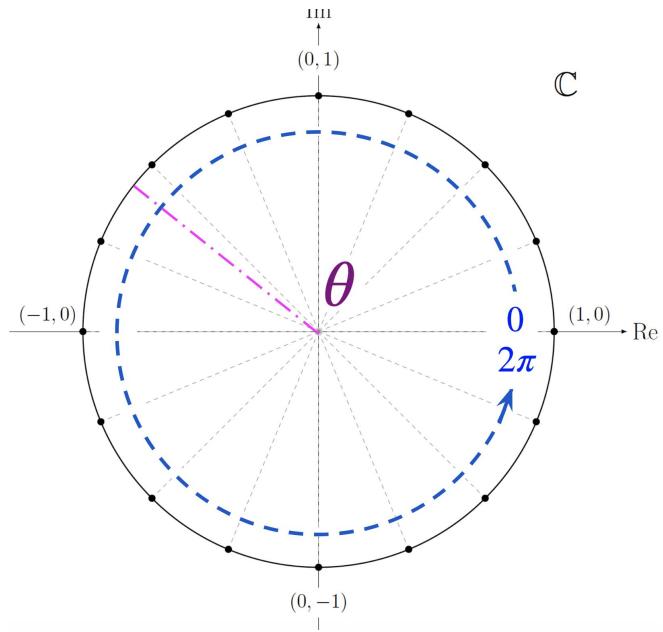
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# Outline

- *Idea* of quantum phase estimation (QPE)
  - Phase as binary fractions
- How do we *estimate* the phase ?
  - Phase kickback
  - Quantum Fourier Transform
- Quantum circuit for QPE
  - Standard & Iterative
- Application on a physical model



# QPE 101: The *Idea*

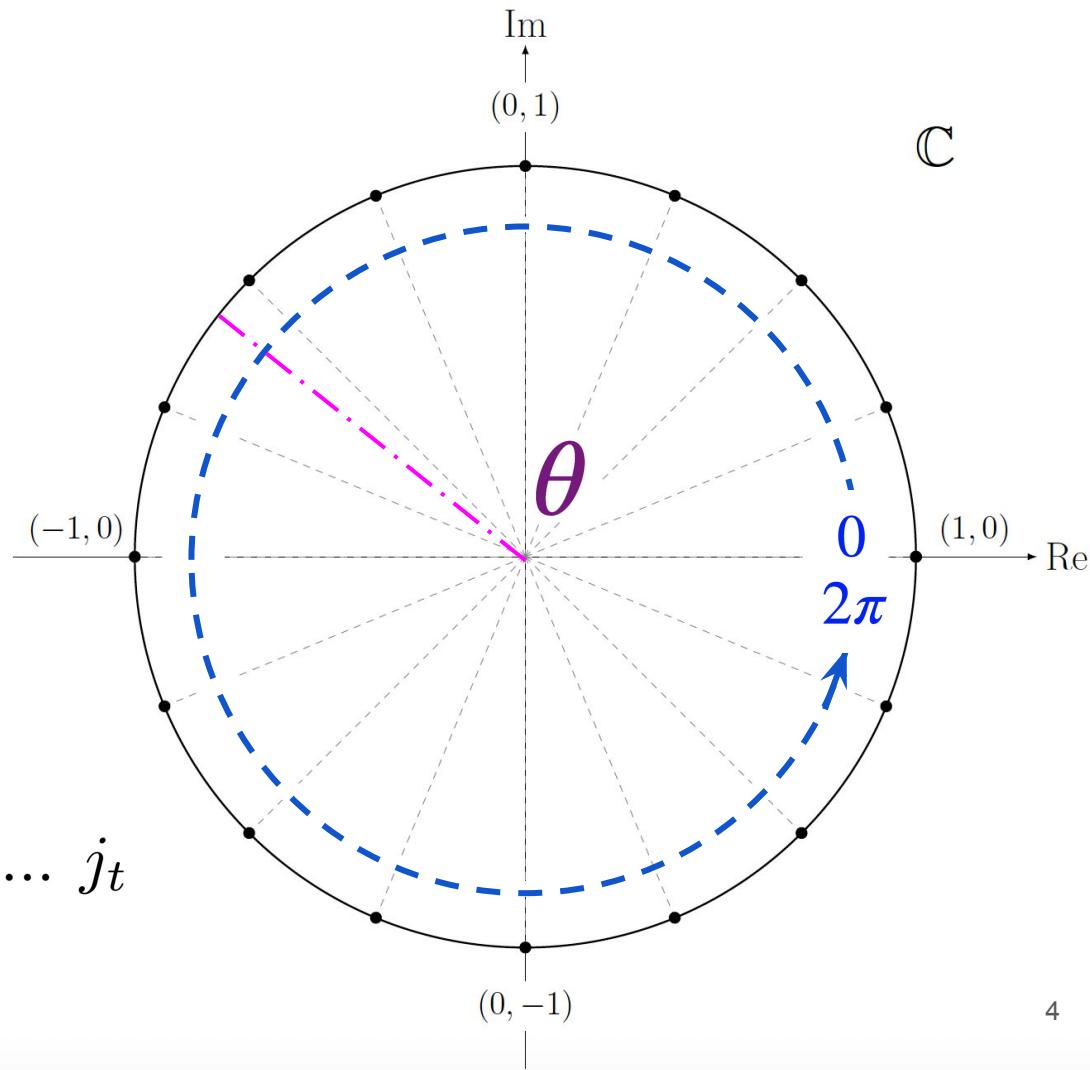


Phase as *binary fractions*

$$U|\psi\rangle = e^{i\theta} |\psi\rangle$$

$$= e^{2\pi i \varphi} |\psi\rangle$$

$$\varphi = \sum_{m=1}^t j_m 2^{-m} = 0. \ j_1 \ j_2 \ \dots \ j_t$$



## Phase as *binary* fractions

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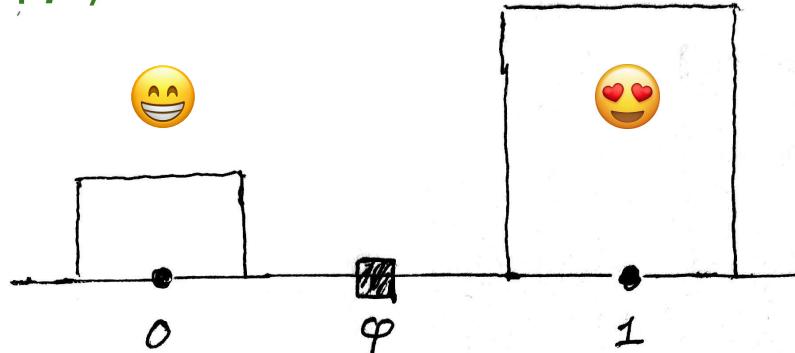
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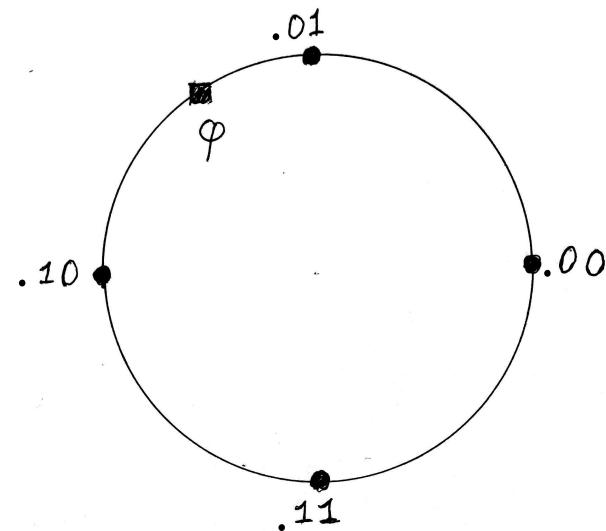
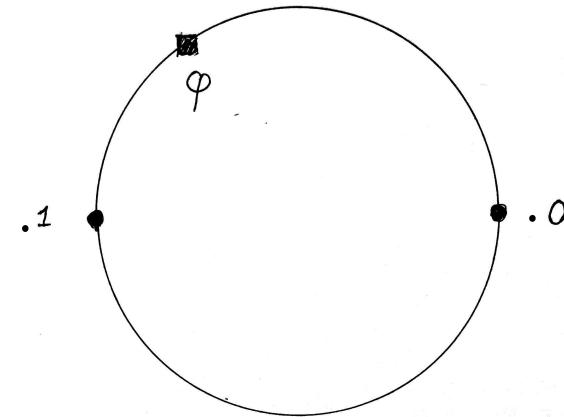
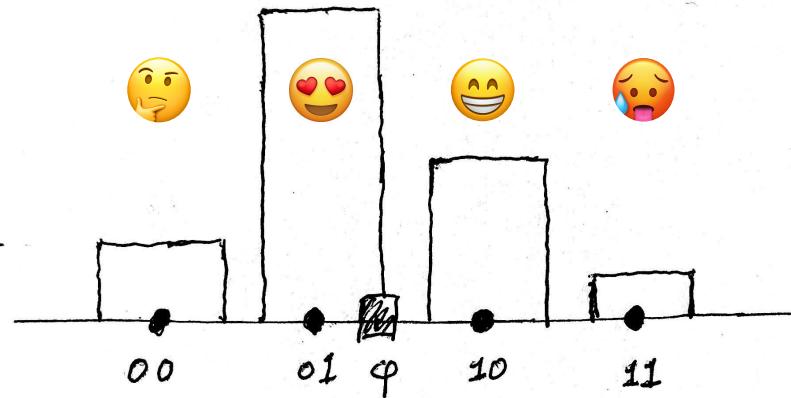
$$\varphi = (. \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1)_2$$

$$\frac{1}{2^1} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{2^3} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{2^4} \cdot 1 = (0.6875)_{10}$$

$$U|\psi\rangle = e^{2\pi i \varphi} |\psi\rangle$$



Learn the eigenvalue of your system



How do we learn the  
phase using a quantum  
computer ?

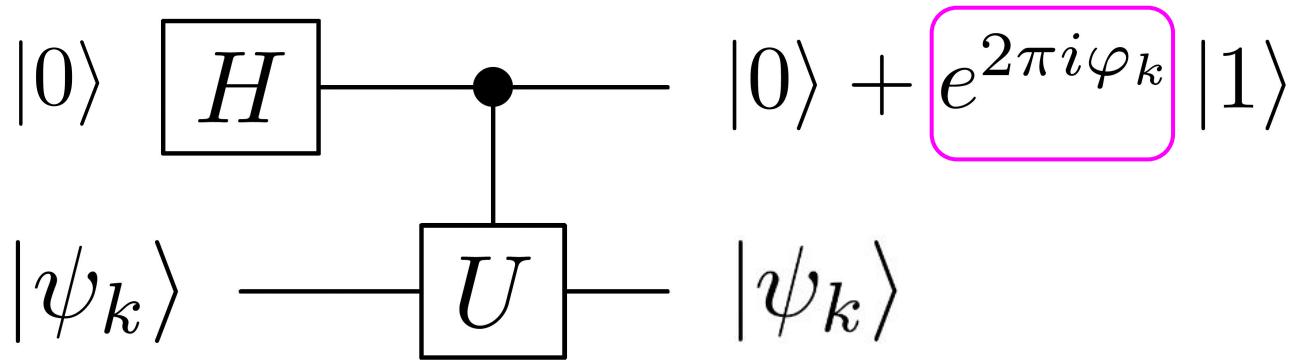
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# Phase kickback

$$|\psi_k\rangle \xrightarrow{U} = \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2\pi i \varphi_k} \end{bmatrix}} |\psi_k\rangle$$

$$U|\psi\rangle = e^{2\pi i \varphi} |\psi\rangle$$

# Phase kickback: Why Hadamard ?

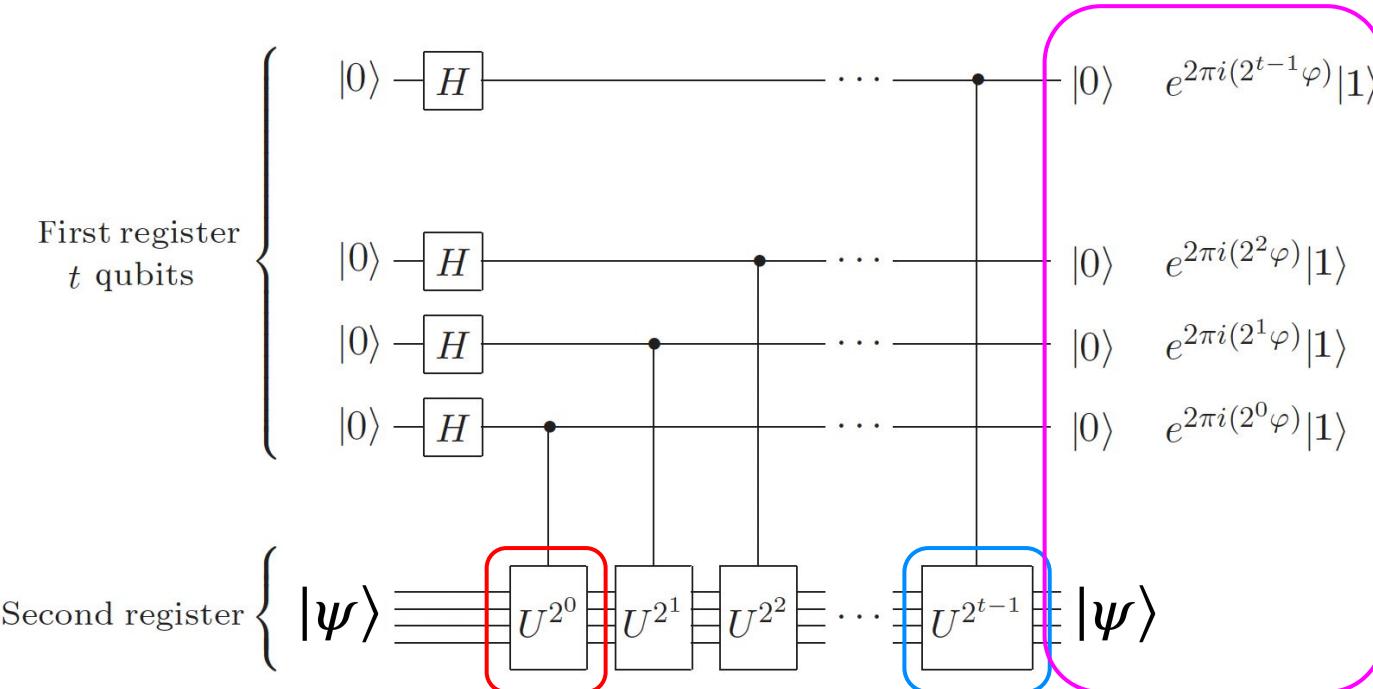


$$U|\psi\rangle = e^{2\pi i \varphi} |\psi\rangle$$

# Quantum Fourier Transform

$$\varphi = \sum_{m=1}^t j_m 2^{-m} = 0.j_1 j_2 \dots j_t$$

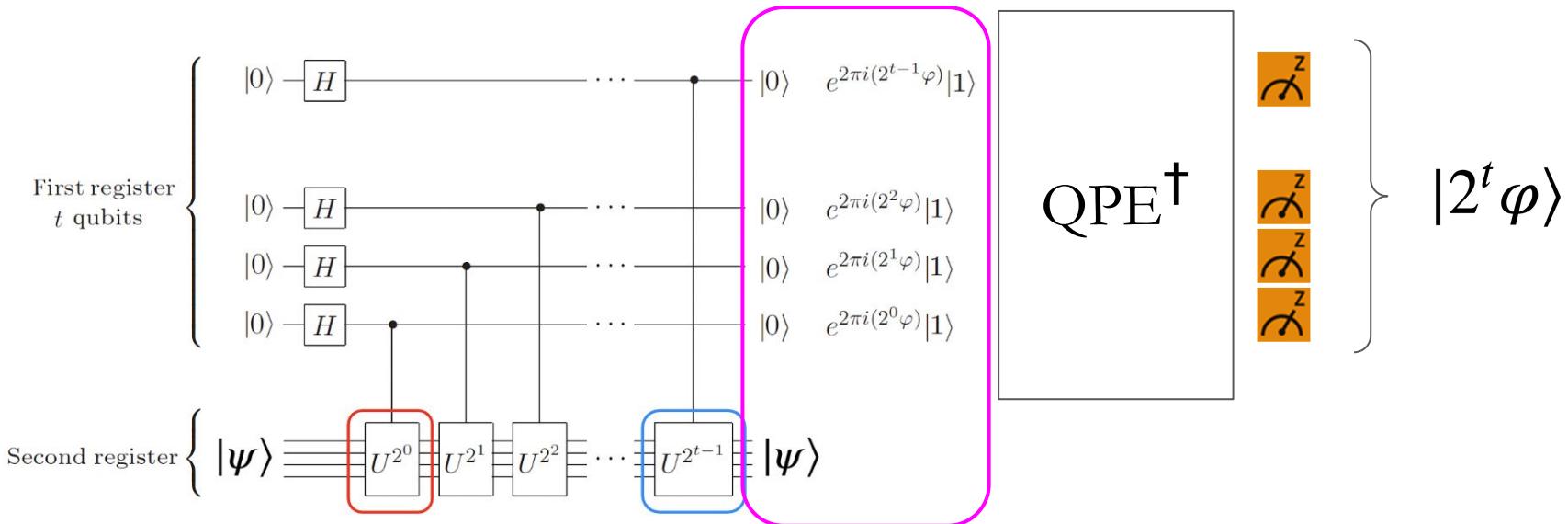
$$\frac{1}{2^{\frac{n}{2}}} \sum_{k=0}^{2^n-1} e^{2\pi i \theta k} |k\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle$$



Source: Nielsen and Chuang, Ch. 5.2

# *Standard* phase estimation

$$\varphi = \sum_{m=1}^t j_m 2^{-m} = 0.j_1 j_2 \dots j_t$$

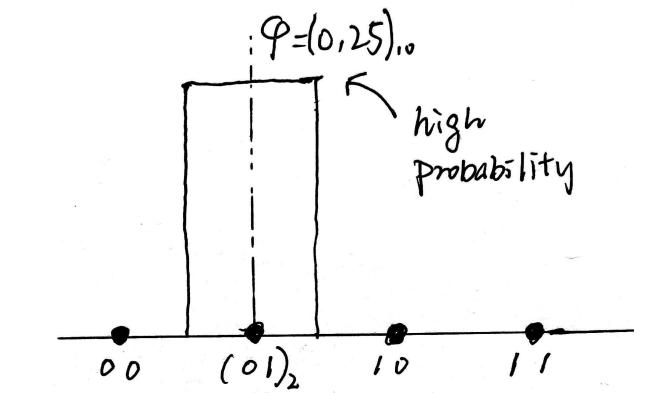


# Interpret the phase

$|2^t \varphi\rangle$

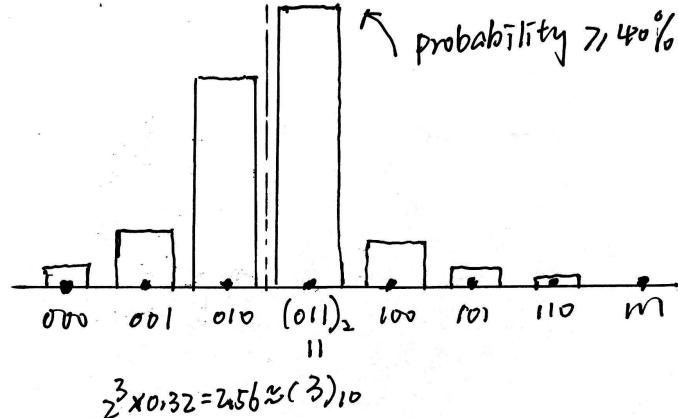
$2^t \varphi$   
Is integer

Ex:  $t = 2$ ,  
 $\Phi = 0.25$



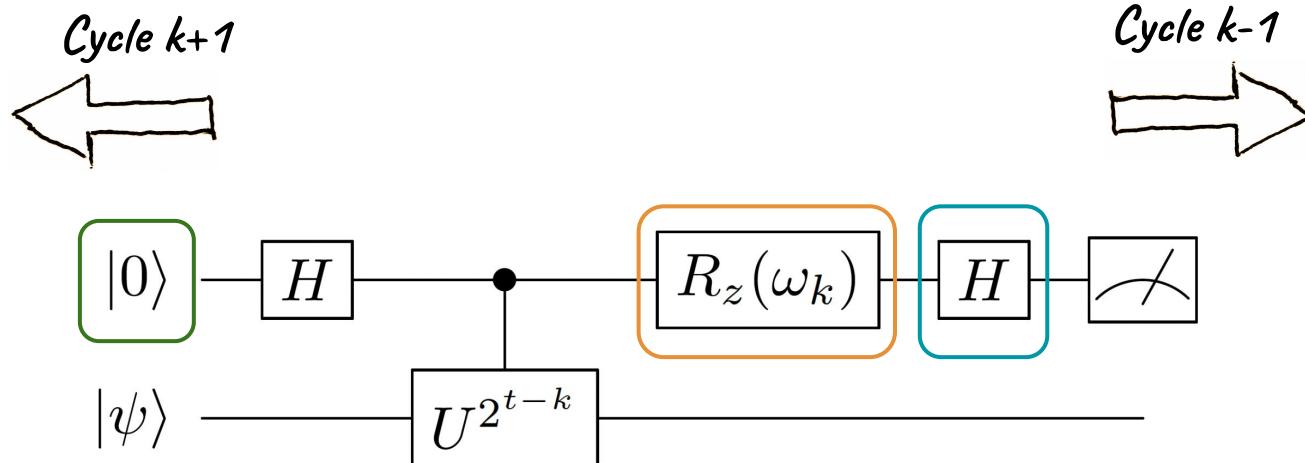
$2^t \varphi$   
Is not integer

Ex:  $t = 3$ ,  
 $\Phi = 0.32$



# *Iterative* phase estimation

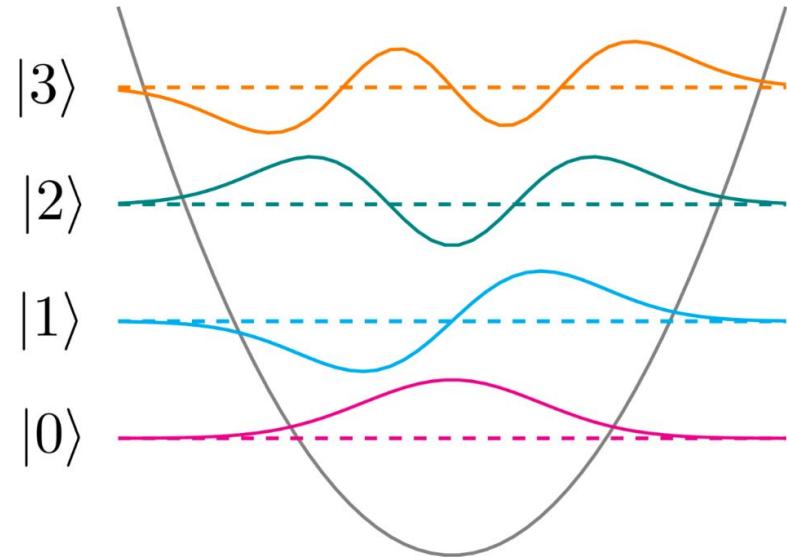
$$\varphi = \sum_{m=1}^t j_m 2^{-m} = 0. \ j_1 \ j_2 \ \dots \underset{\text{purple circle}}{j_k} \ \dots \ j_t$$



$\omega_k$  Feedback angle, depends on previously measured bit.

Estimate the energy of a number operator

$$\hat{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 2 & \\ 0 & & & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$



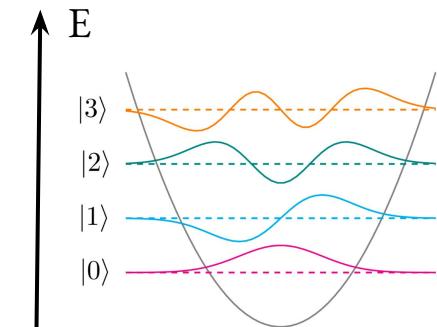
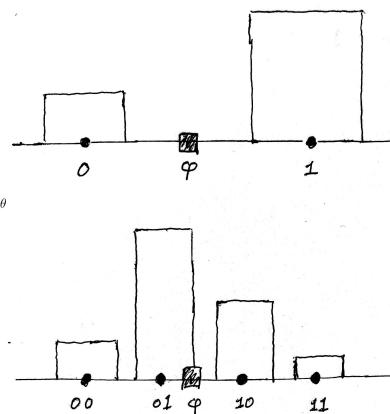
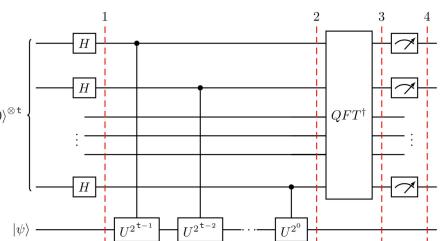
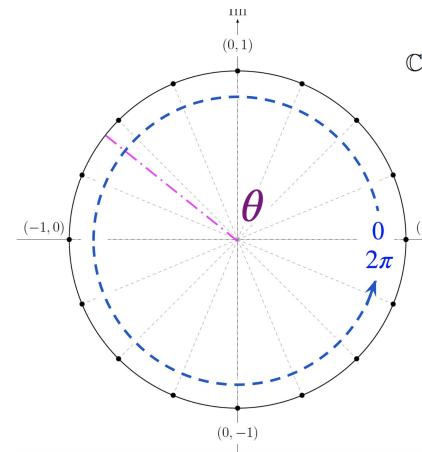
**Question:** Using the standard phase estimation algorithm, what can we say about the eigenvalue of state  $|2\rangle$  ?

**Step 1:** ‘Wrap’  
the unit  
complex circle

**Step 2:** Apply  
the QPE  
algorithm

**Step 3:** Collect  
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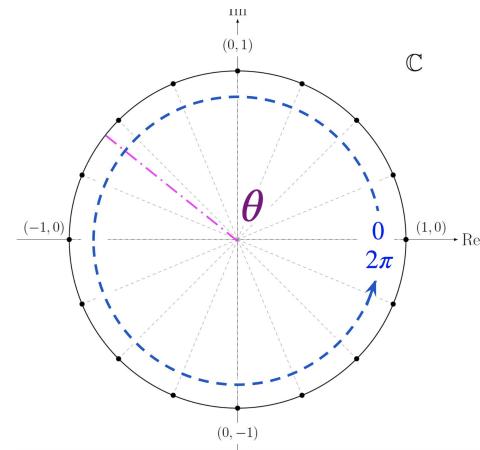
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$$U|2\rangle = e^{it2}|10\rangle = e^{2\pi i\varphi}|10\rangle$$

$$t = 1$$

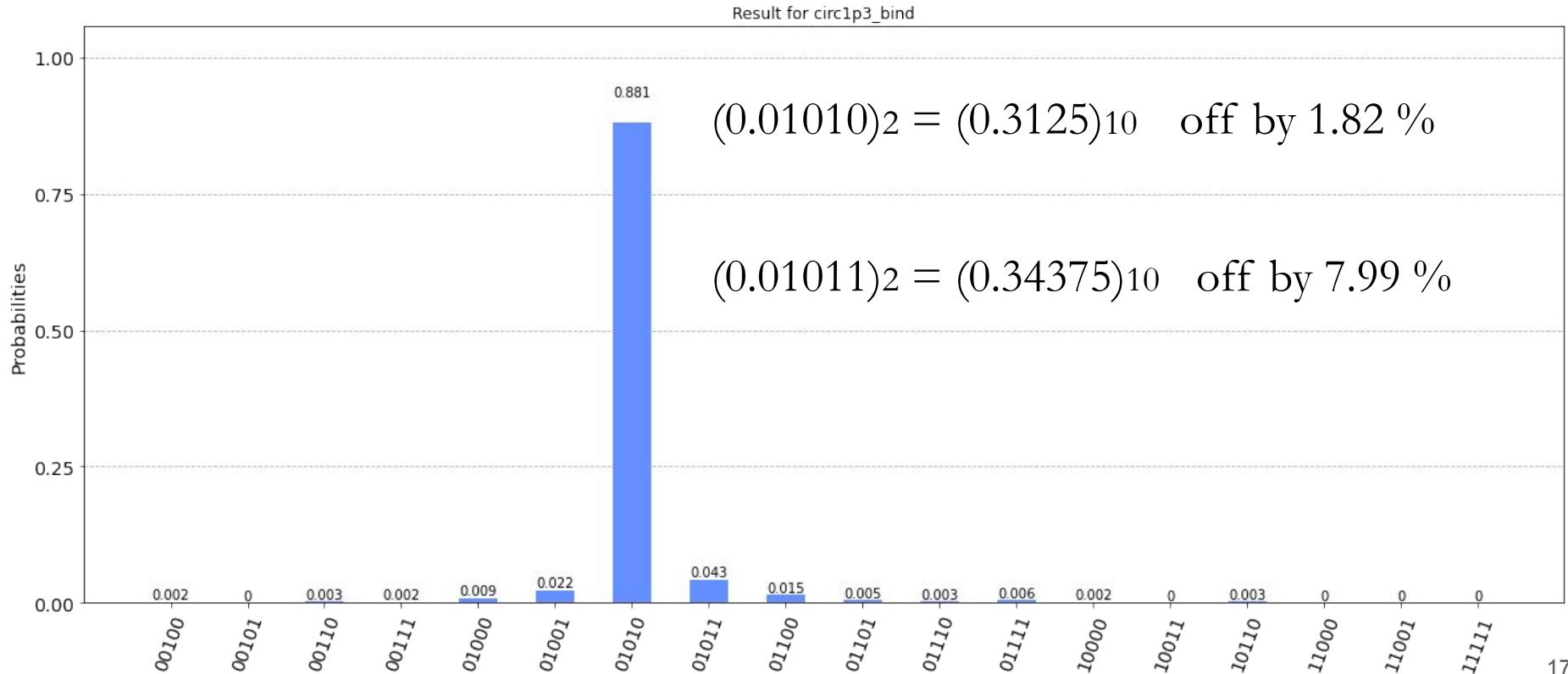
$$\varphi = (0.318309\dots)_{10} = (0.010100010\dots)_2$$



$$\varphi = (0.318309\dots)_10 = (0.\boxed{010100010\dots})_2$$



Step 3



# More Simple Algorithms: Adiabatic Evolution and QAOA

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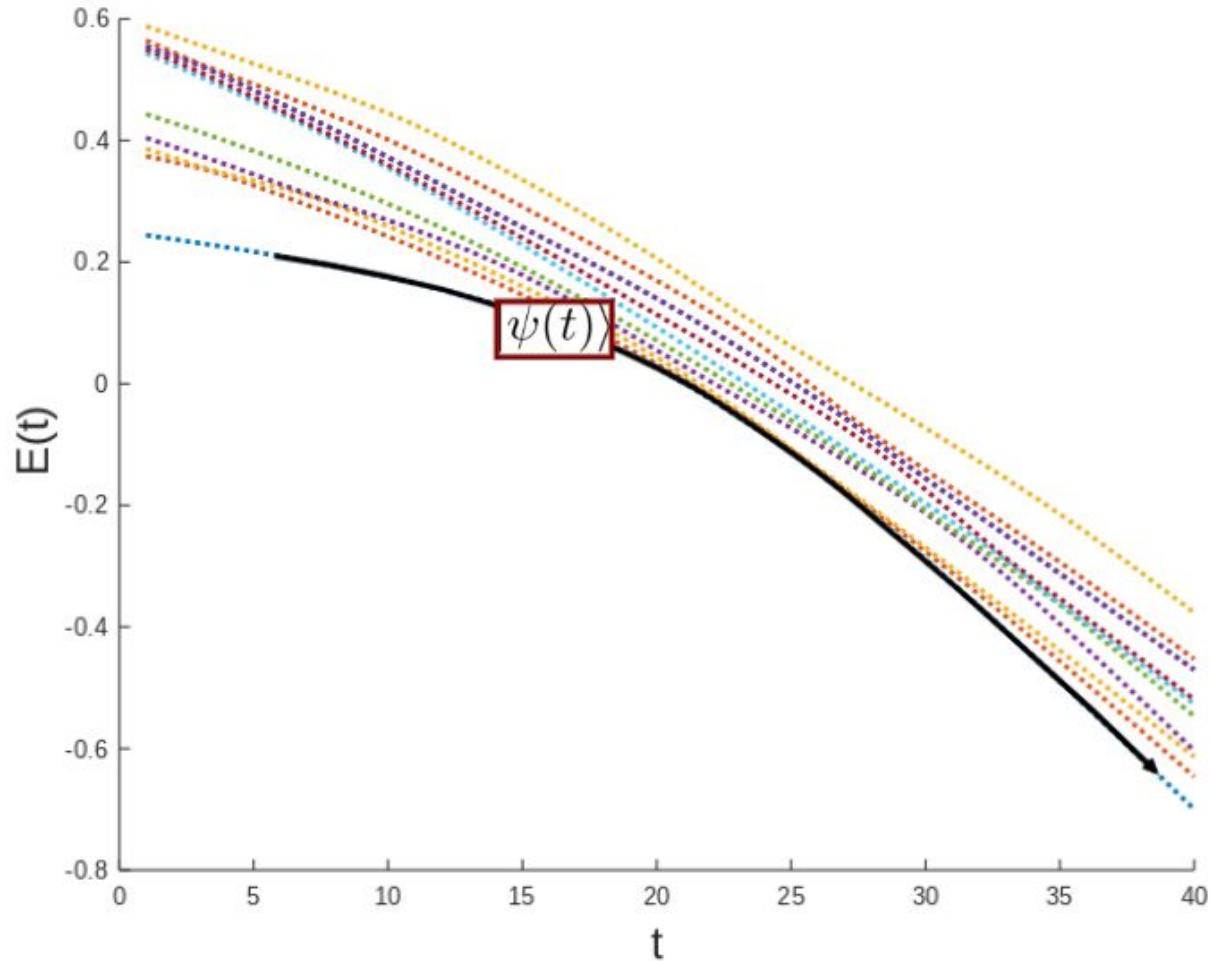
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# Adiabatic Theorem

An eigenstate will remain an eigenstate as long as its system is changing slowly

$$H(t) |\psi(t)\rangle = E(t) |\psi(t)\rangle$$

The smaller the energy gap between states, the slower the changes must be



# Adiabatic Evolution

Choose a simple initial Hamiltonian and final target Hamiltonian

$$H(0) = H_I, \quad H(t_F) = H_F$$

$$H(t) = \frac{t_F - t}{t_F} H_I + \frac{t}{t_F} H_F$$

Start in an eigenstate of  $H_I$  at  $t = 0$ . Apply the unitary time evolution operator

$$U(t + dt, t) = e^{-iH(t)dt}$$

$$|\psi(t + dt)\rangle = U(t + dt, t) |\psi(t)\rangle$$

Repeat until  $t = t_F$ . The final state will be an eigenstate of  $H_F$

# Adiabatic Evolution Example (two qubits)

Let's choose the initial state to be:  $|00\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

This is the ground state of the Hamiltonian:

$$H_I = -Z_0 \otimes I_1 - I_0 \otimes Z_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Adiabatic Evolution Example (two qubits)

For the final state, we can choose any 4x4 Hermitian matrix. For example:

$$H_F = H_I + X_0 \otimes X_1 + Y_0 \otimes Y_1 + Z_0 \otimes Z_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The time-dependent Hamiltonian will then be:

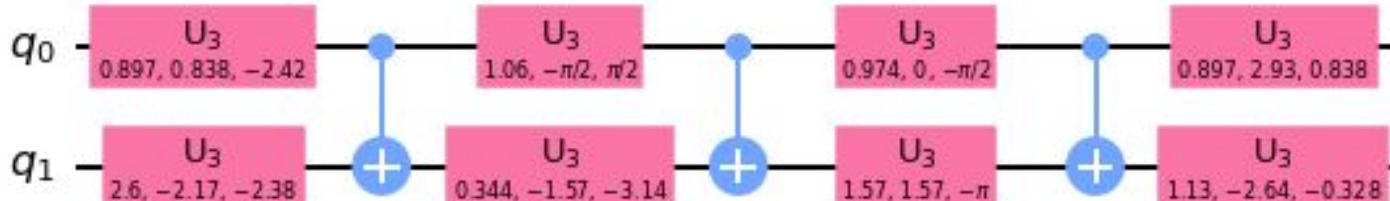
$$H(t) = \frac{t_F - t}{t_F} H_I + \frac{t}{t_F} H_F$$

# Adiabatic Evolution Example (two qubits)

Determine the time evolution gates (by hand or using qiskit library functions) and apply them to a quantum circuit in order

```
#one step of adiabatic evolution
evolution_gate = qiskit.extensions.HamiltonianGate(h,dt)
decomposed_gate = qiskit.quantum_info.two_qubit_cnot_decompose(evolution_gate)
circ.append(decomposed_gate, qr)
circ.decompose().draw('mpl')
```

Global Phase: 2.8081

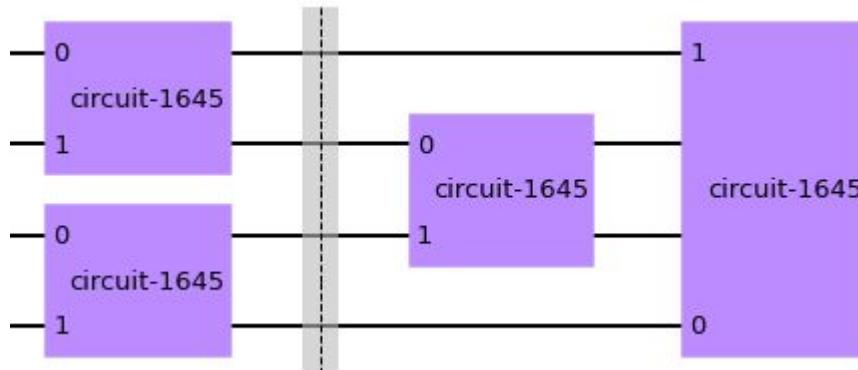


# Adiabatic evolution on more than 2 qubits

If a Hamiltonian can be decomposed into a sum of 2-qubit Hamiltonians, then the Trotter approximation can be used to split the 4-qubit gate into four 2-qubit gates.

For problems with more complicated Hamiltonians and problems that require a large number of gates, methods that don't require exact time evolution are used.

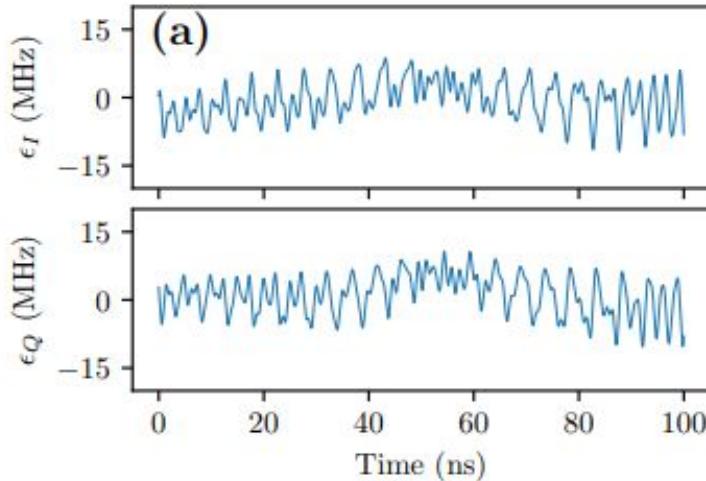
One Trotter-decomposed time evolution step on four qubits



# Pulse-level Control for time evolution

Can reduce the number of 2-qubit gates required to only one per time step.

Generate custom gates using classical optimization by simulating a specific quantum device



## Optimal Control for the Quantum Simulation of Nuclear Dynamics

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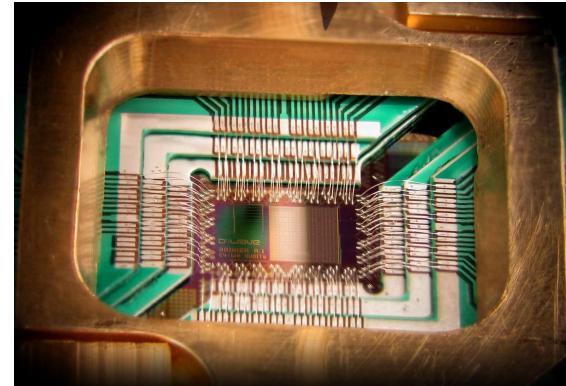
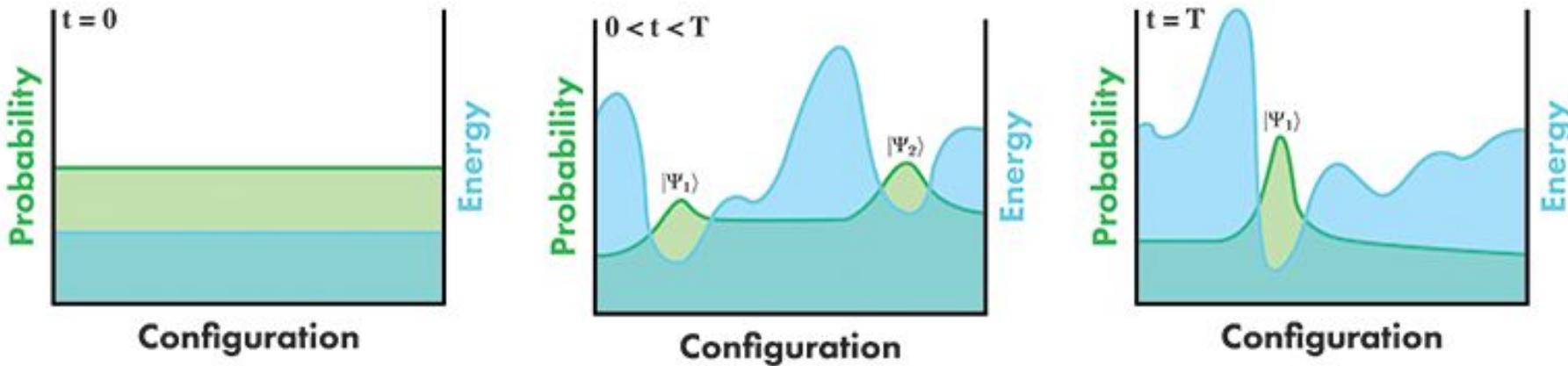
# Quantum Annealing

A technique used by D-WAVE to compute ground states.

Adiabatic fluctuations are applied to a quantum system.

Quantum tunneling allows the system to settle into the ground state of a target Hamiltonian.

Currently being used to solve hard combinatorial



# Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm (QAOA)

Inspired by Adiabatic Evolution

Start with the following ansatz:

$$|\psi(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\gamma})\rangle = U(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\gamma}) |\psi_I\rangle$$

$$U(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\gamma}) \approx e^{-i\beta_k H_I} e^{-i\gamma_k H_F} \dots e^{-i\beta_1 H_I} e^{-i\gamma_1 H_F}$$

We use the variational principle,

$$E_F^{\text{ground}} \leq \langle \psi(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\gamma}) | H_F | \psi(\vec{\beta}, \vec{\gamma}) \rangle$$

with classical optimization to find an approximate minimum energy.

QAOA can be used to approximately solve some NP-Hard problems efficiently

# Questions