

Quantum Algorithm for Scattering Amplitudes with Reduction Formula

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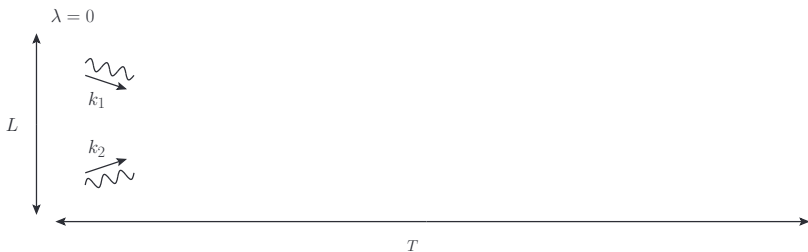
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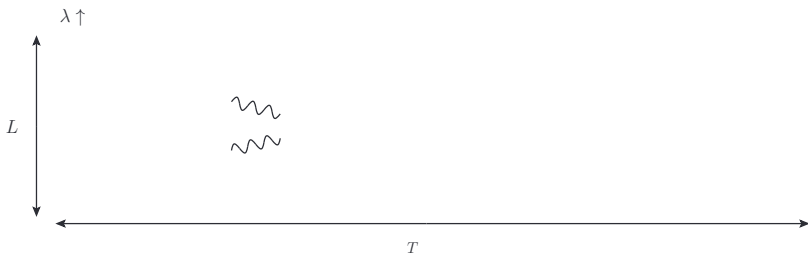
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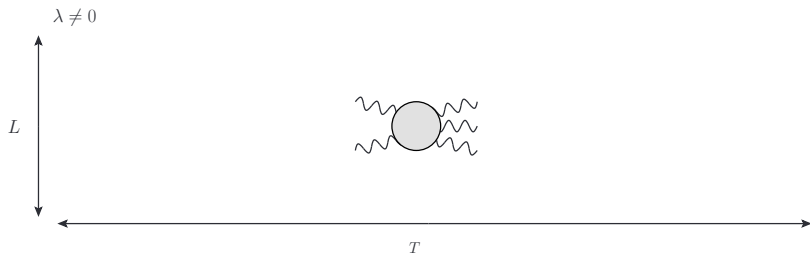
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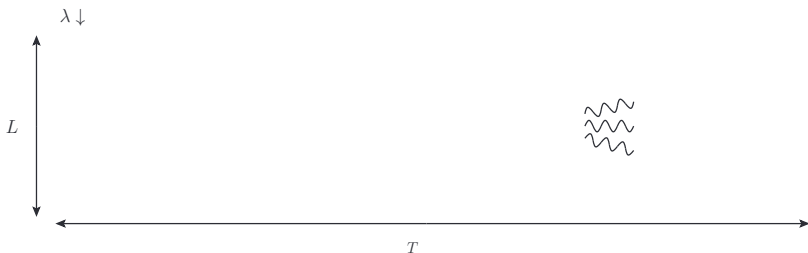
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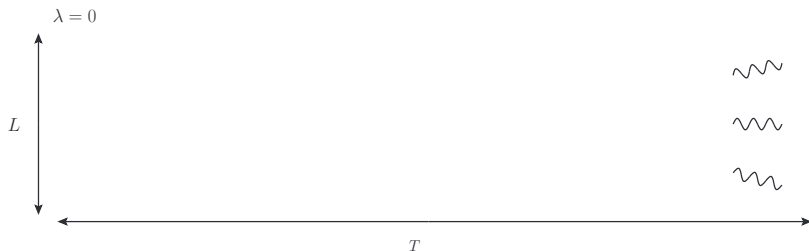
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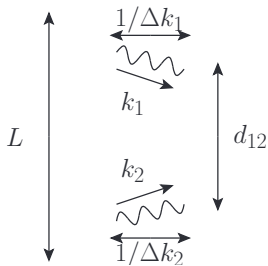
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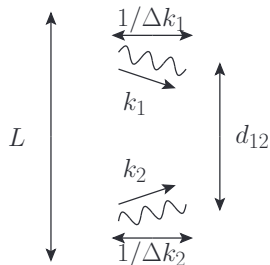


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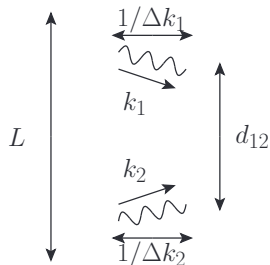


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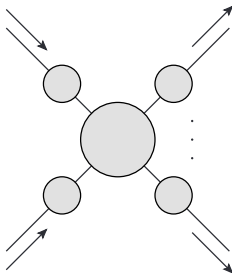
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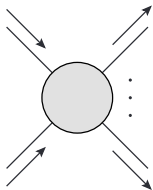
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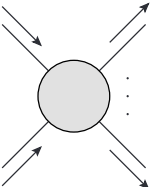
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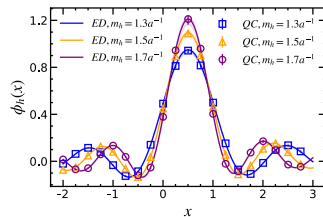
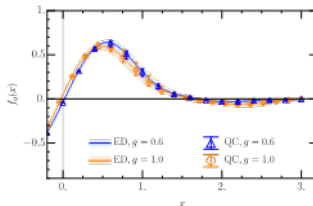
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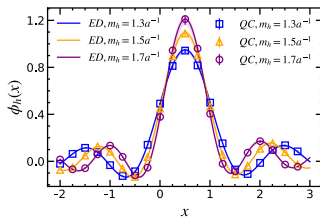
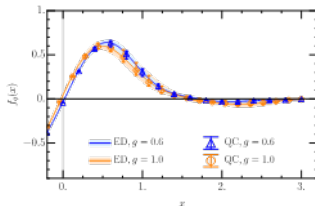
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POLOLOGY IN GROSS-NEVEU MODEL

Consider Gross-Neveu model (1 + 1-d Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model):

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu - m_q)\psi + g(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2$$

We aim to simulate the fermion propagator

$$K_\psi(p) = \int d^2x e^{ip\cdot x} \langle \Omega | T \{ \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(0) \} | \Omega \rangle$$

and the connected fermion 4-point function corresponding to $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering of a quark and an antiquark,
 $q(\mathbf{k}_1)\bar{q}(\mathbf{k}_2) \rightarrow q(\mathbf{p}_1)\bar{q}(\mathbf{p}_2)$,

$$\begin{aligned} & G_\psi^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}(p_1, p_2, k_1) \\ &= \int d^2x_1 d^2x_2 d^2y_1 e^{i(p_1\cdot x_1 + p_2\cdot x_2 - k_1\cdot y_1)} \\ &\quad \times \langle \Omega | \psi^\alpha(x_1) \bar{\psi}^\beta(x_2) \bar{\psi}^\gamma(y_1) \psi^\delta(0) | \Omega \rangle_{\text{con}} \end{aligned}$$

JORDAN-WIGNER TRANSFORMATION

How to represent a QFT with qubits?

$$\psi(0, \mathbf{z}) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1(0, \mathbf{z}) \\ \psi_2(0, \mathbf{z}) \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_{2n} \\ \varphi_{2n+1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 \leq n \leq \frac{N}{2} - 1$$

Express φ_n in terms of Pauli operators on qubits:

$$\varphi_n \equiv \Xi_n^3 \sigma_n^+$$

where $\Xi_n^3 \equiv \prod_{n' < n} \sigma_{n'}^3$.

Hamiltonian is split into 4 (symmetry-preserving) parts: $H = H_1 + H_2 + H_3 + H_4$

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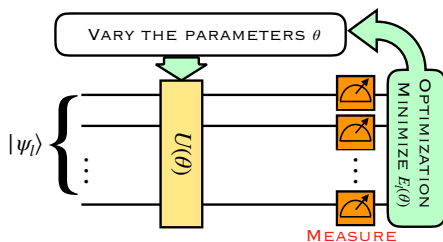
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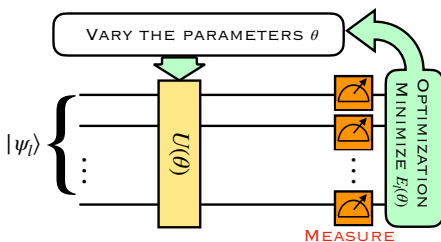


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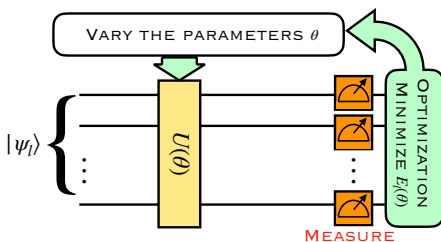


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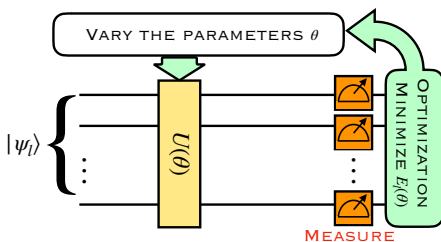


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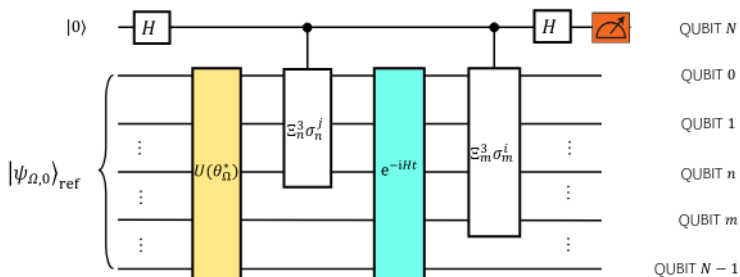
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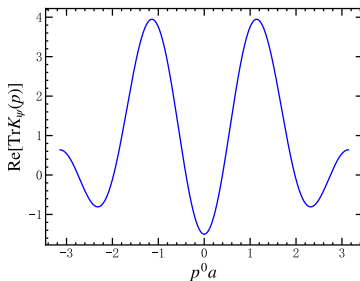
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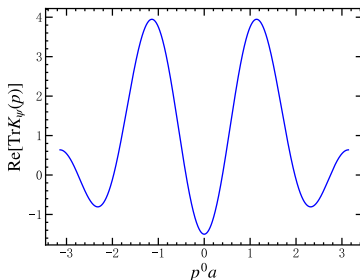
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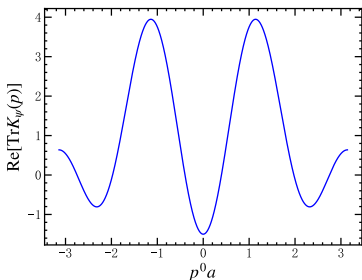
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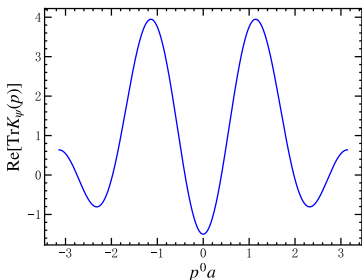
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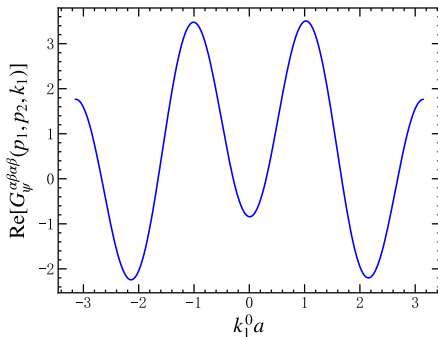
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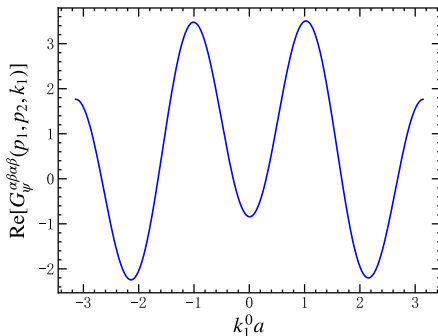


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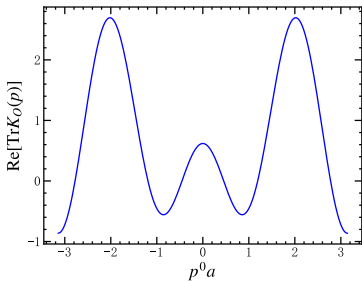
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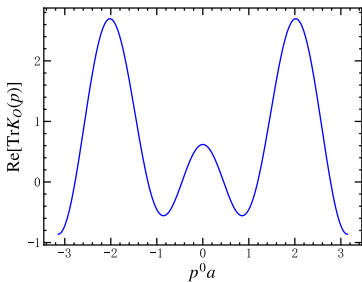
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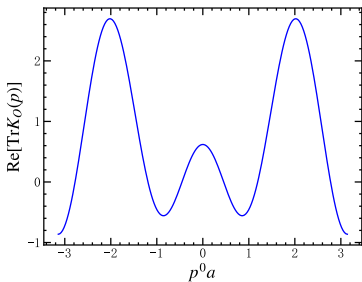
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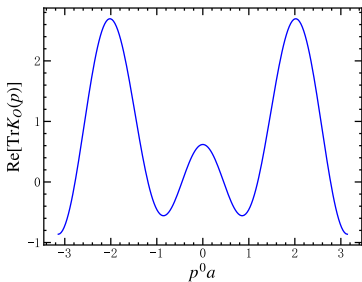
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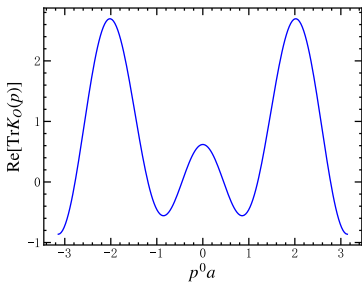
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