

# Efficient Optimal Control for a Unitary Operation under Dissipative Evolution

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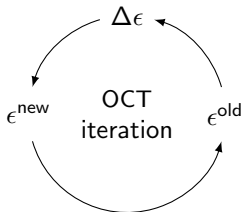
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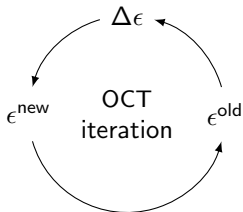


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- “optimal”: not limited to simple intuitive schemes, operate at the quantum speed limit

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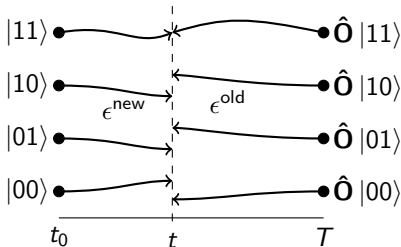
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**In the real world: decoherence**

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## Claim

We only need to propagate **three** matrices (independent of  $d$ ), instead of  $d^2$ .

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## Functional

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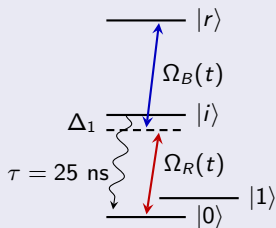
- Allow for different weights ( $\sum w_j = 1$ )
- $J_T = 0$  iff for all  $\hat{\rho}_j$ :  $\mathcal{D}[\hat{\rho}_j] \equiv$  target state  
 $\Rightarrow$  implemented unitary gate  $\hat{\mathbf{O}}$ .

# Example 1

## Optimization of a Diagonal Gate using Rydberg Atoms

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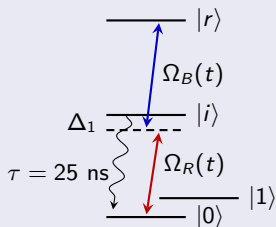


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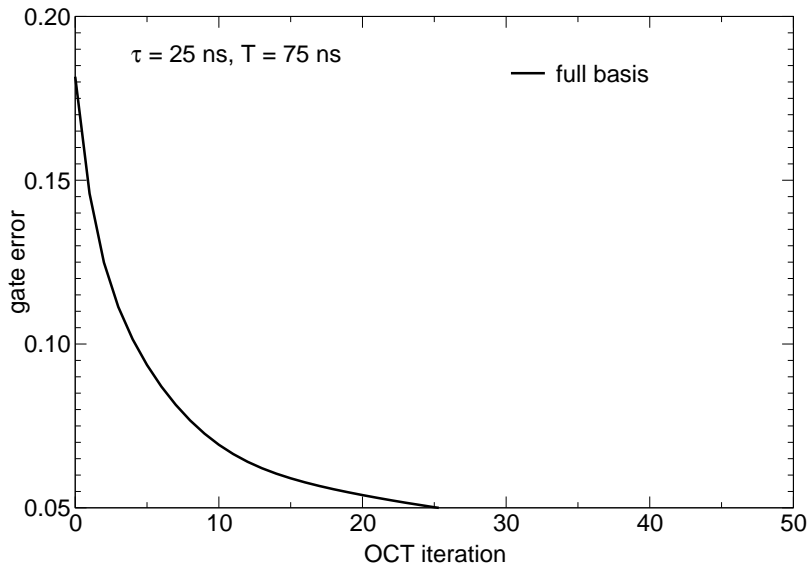
$$\hat{H}_{2q} = \hat{H}_{1q} \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes \hat{H}_{1q} - U |rr\rangle\langle rr|$$

Dipole-dipole interaction when both atoms in Rydberg state.

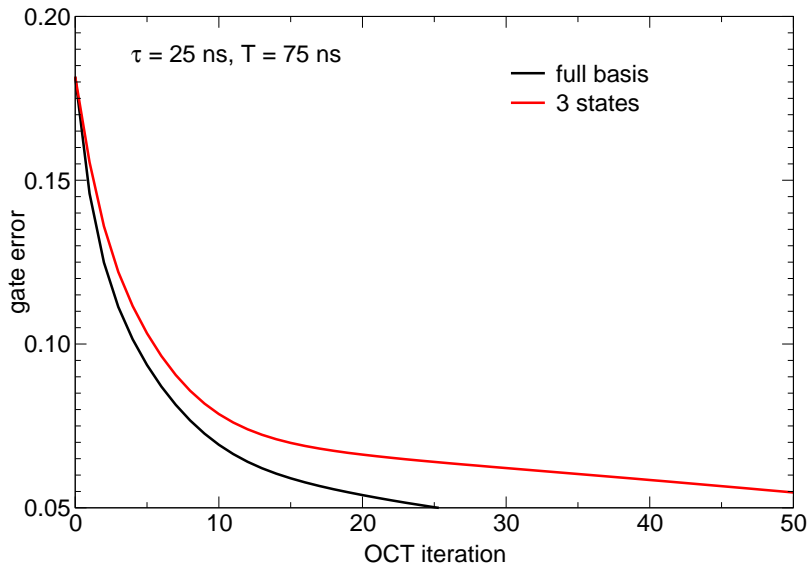
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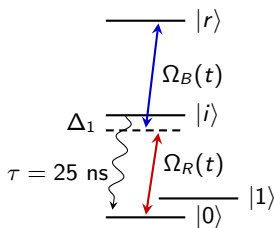
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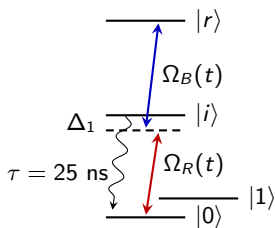


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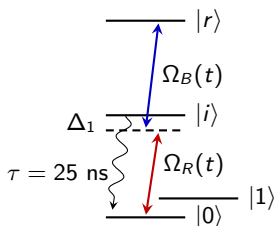
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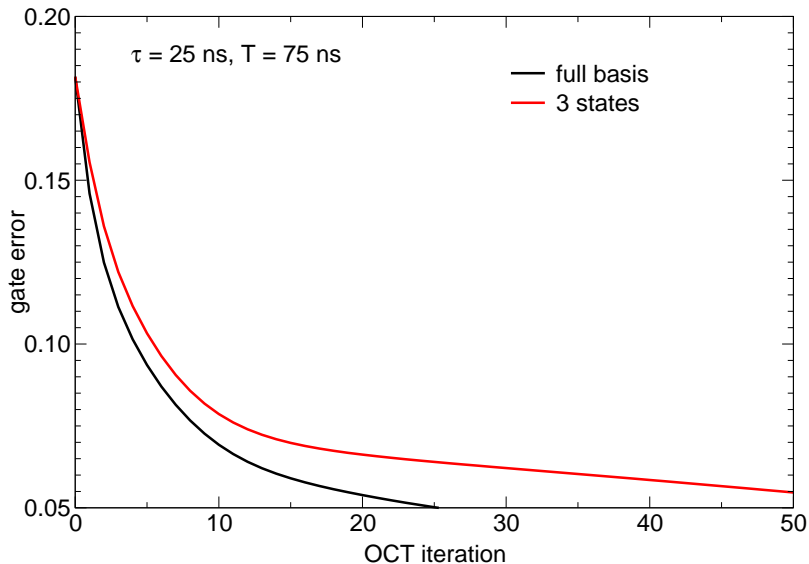
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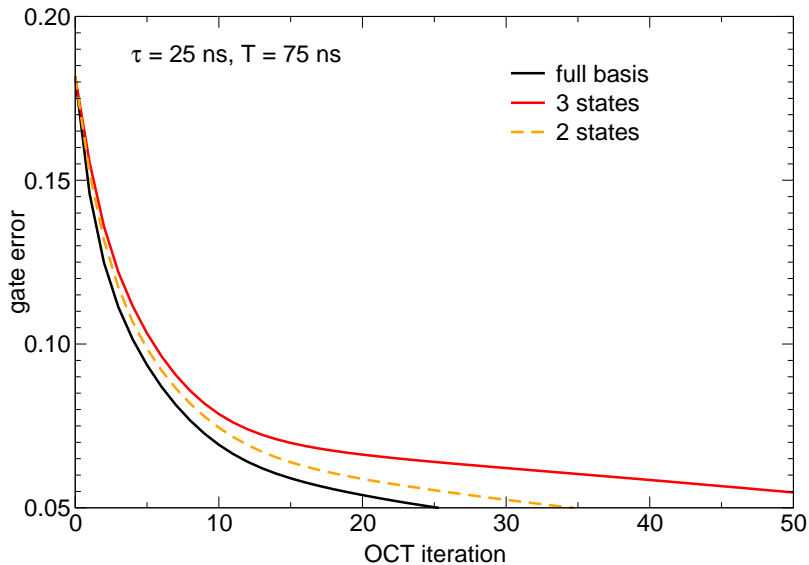
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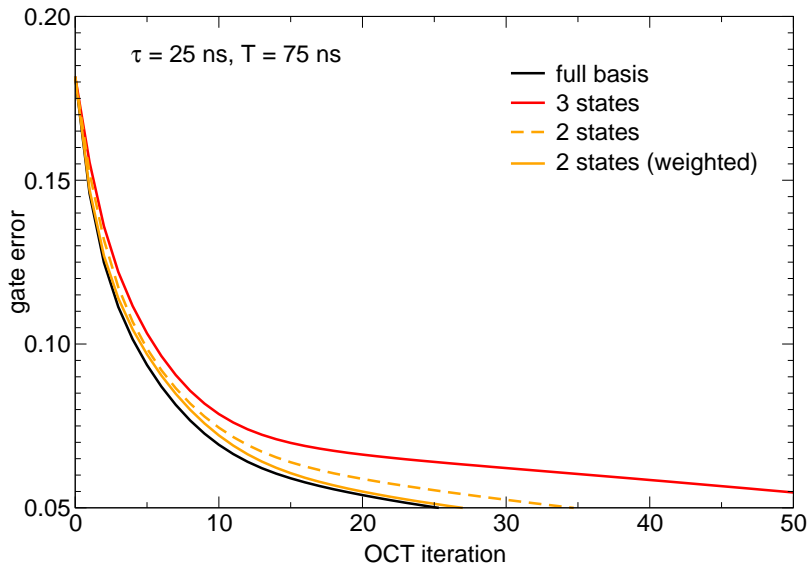
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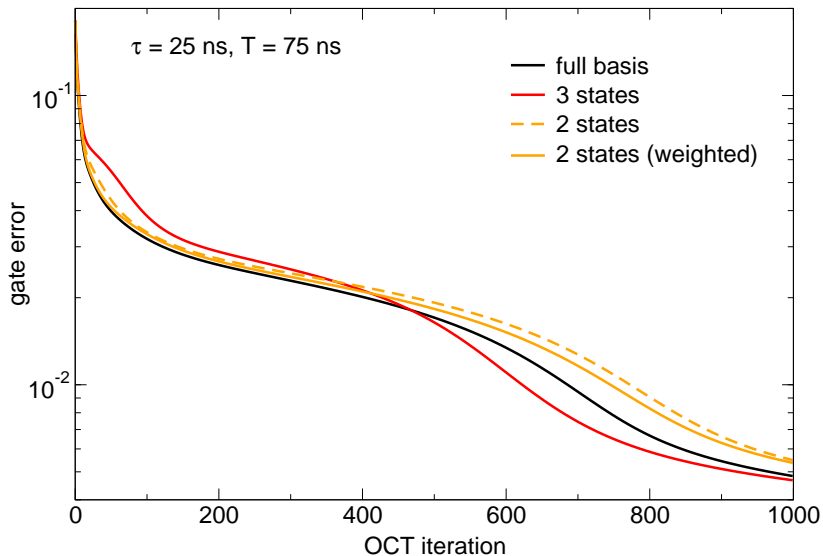


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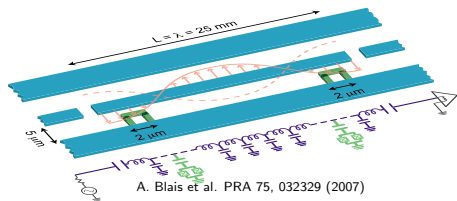
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## Example 2

Optimization of a non-diagonal gate  
using transmon qubits

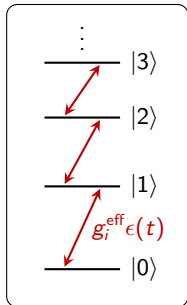
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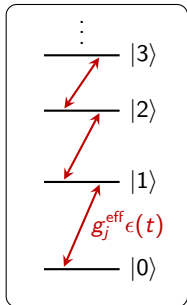
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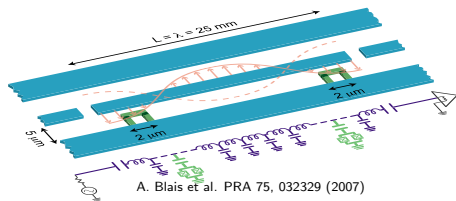
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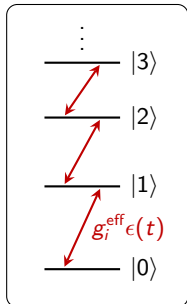
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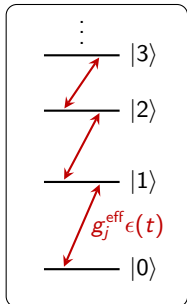
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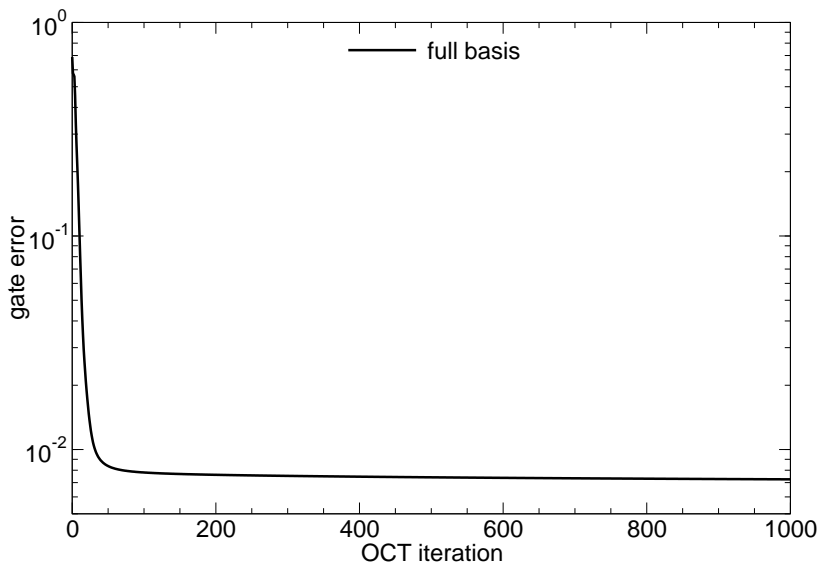
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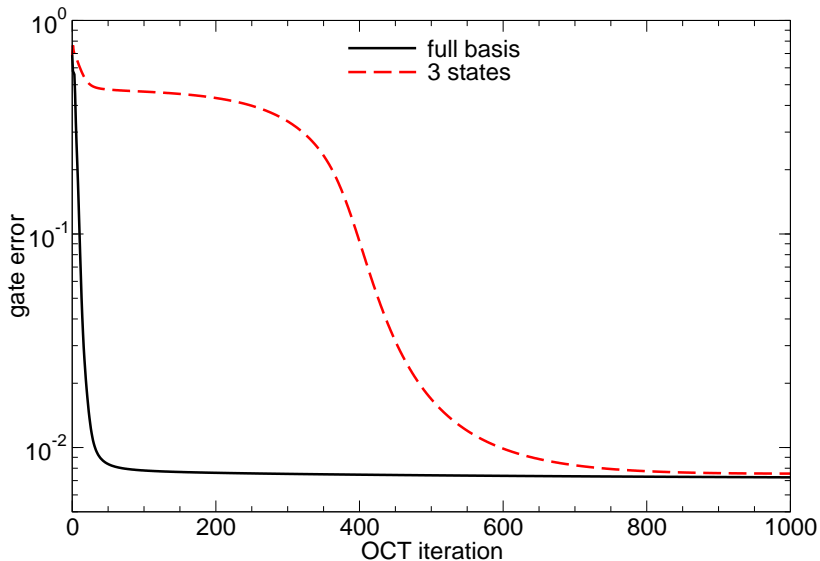
Many gates possible, e.g.  $\sqrt{i}$ SWAP:

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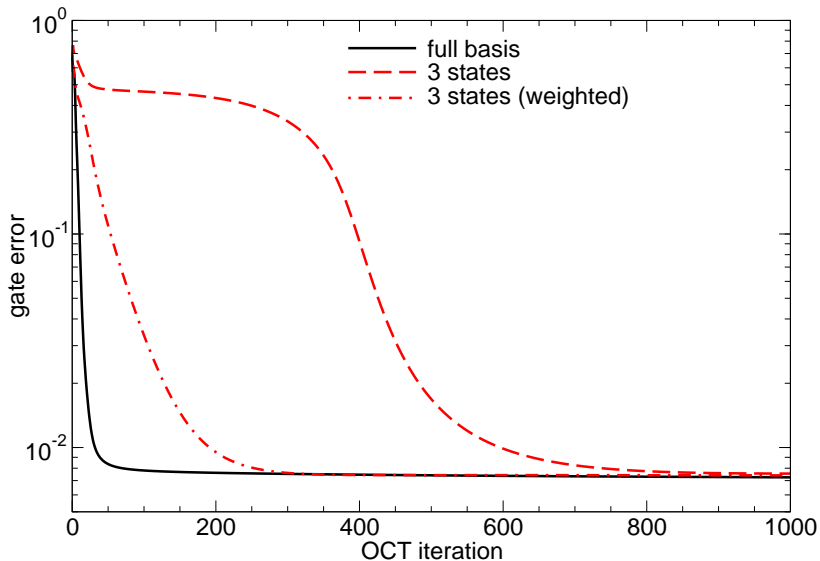
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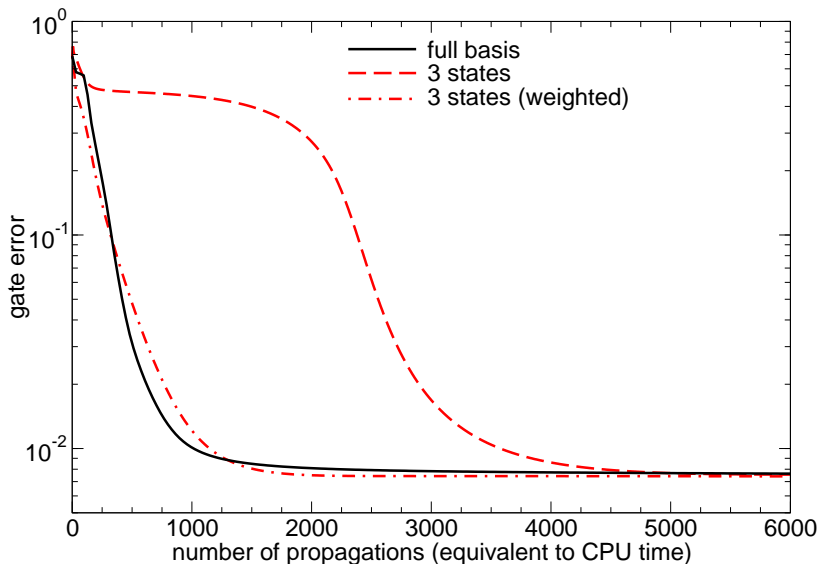
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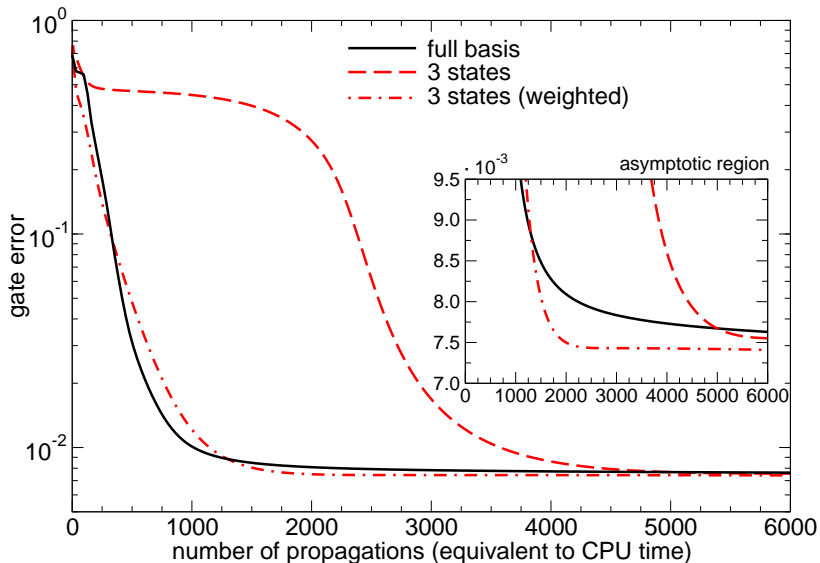


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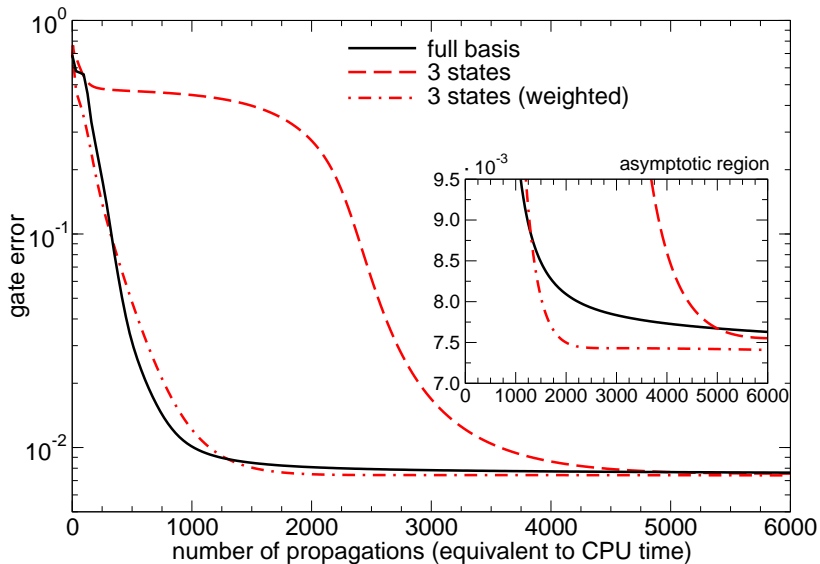
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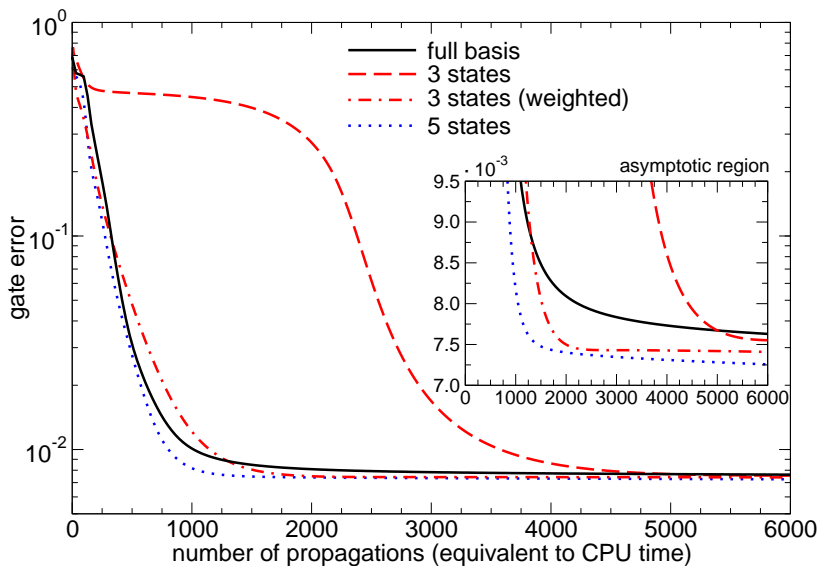
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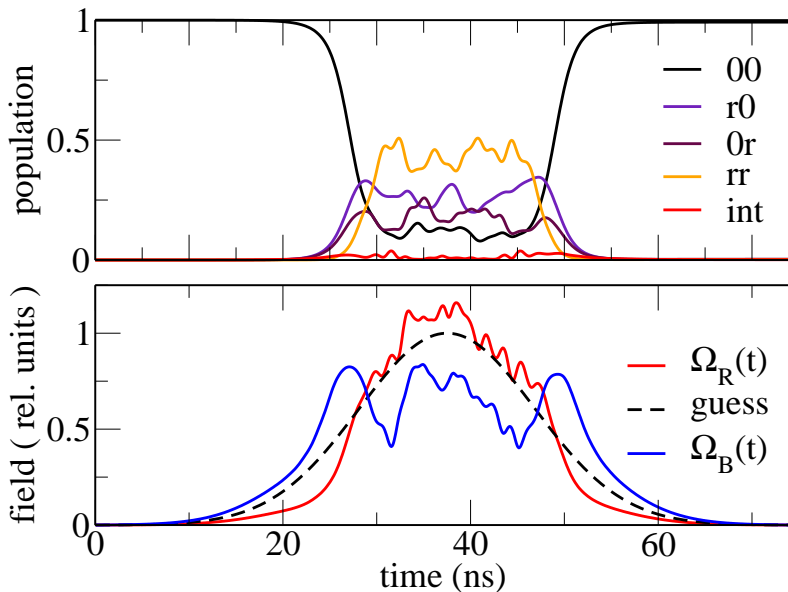
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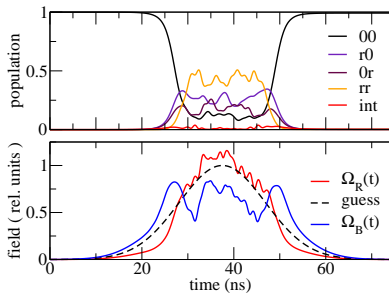
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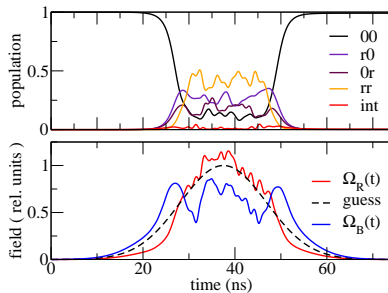
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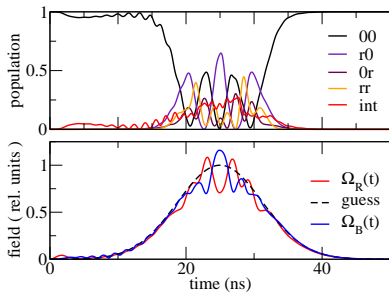
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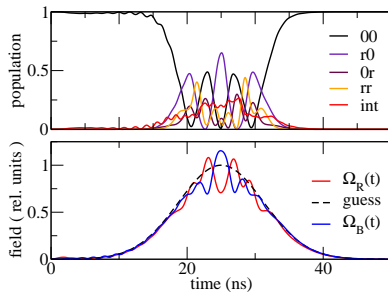
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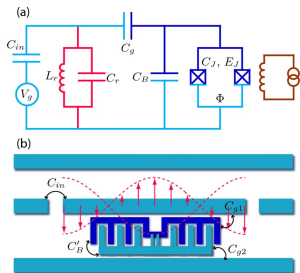
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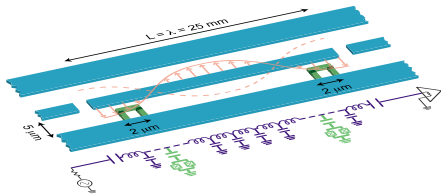
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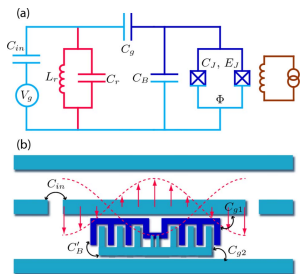


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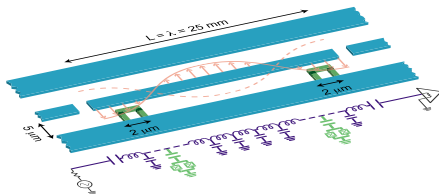


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## Full Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{\omega_c \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}}_{(1)} + \underbrace{\omega_1 \hat{b}_1^\dagger \hat{b}_1 + \omega_2 \hat{b}_2^\dagger \hat{b}_2}_{(2)} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (\alpha_1 \hat{b}_1^\dagger \hat{b}_1^\dagger \hat{b}_1 \hat{b}_1 + \alpha_2 \hat{b}_2^\dagger \hat{b}_2^\dagger \hat{b}_2 \hat{b}_2)}_{(3)} + \underbrace{g_1 (\hat{b}_1^\dagger \hat{a} + \hat{b}_1 \hat{a}^\dagger) + g_2 (\hat{b}_2^\dagger \hat{a} + \hat{b}_2 \hat{a}^\dagger)}_{(4)} + \underbrace{\epsilon^*(t) \hat{a} + \epsilon(t) \hat{a}^\dagger}_{(5)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{eff}} = & \sum_{q=1,2} \sum_{i=0}^{N_q-1} (\omega_i^{(q)} + \chi_i^{(q)}) \hat{\mathbf{n}}_i^{(q)} + \sum_{q=1,2} \sum_{i=0}^{N_q-1} g_i^{\text{eff}(q)} \epsilon(t) (\hat{\mathbf{c}}_i^{+(q)} + \hat{\mathbf{c}}_i^{- (q)}) \\ & + \sum_{ij} J_{ij}^{\text{eff}} (\hat{\mathbf{c}}_i^{- (1)} \hat{\mathbf{c}}_j^{+(2)} + \hat{\mathbf{c}}_i^{+(1)} \hat{\mathbf{c}}_j^{- (2)}).\end{aligned}$$

# Effective Hamiltonian

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with

- $\omega_i^{(q)} = i\omega_q - \frac{1}{2}(i^2 - i)\alpha_q, \quad g_i^{(q)} = \sqrt{i}g_q$
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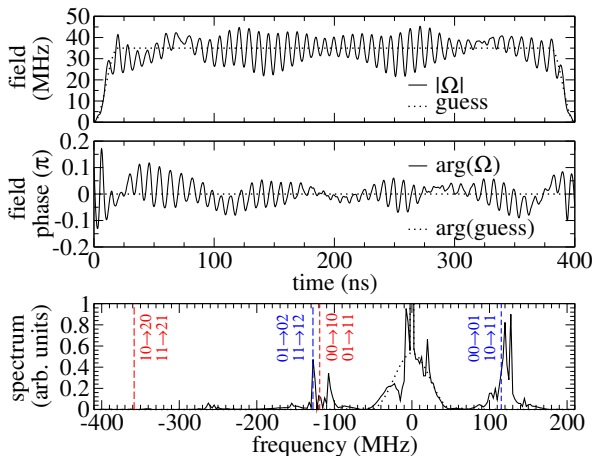
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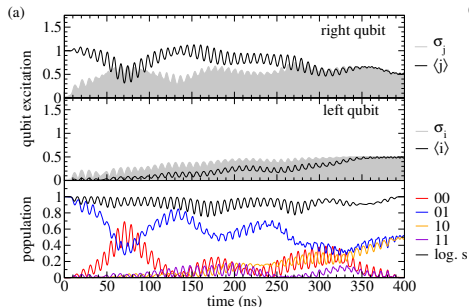
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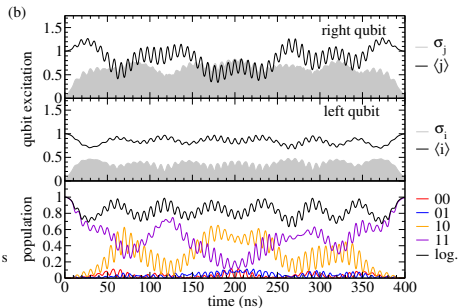
# Transmon Optimized Pulse



# Transmon Population Dynamics



$$\Psi(t=0) = |01\rangle$$



$$\Psi(t=0) = |11\rangle$$