

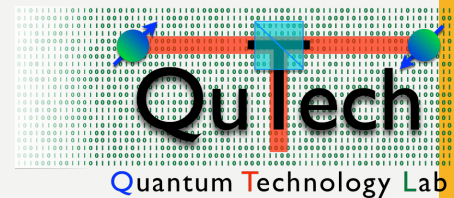
Characterization of qubit chains by Feynman probes

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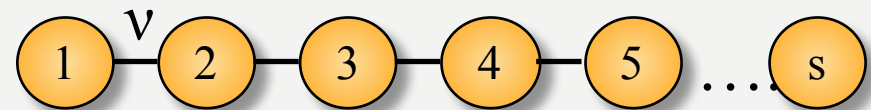
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WHY?

Characterization of qubit registers or spin networks

Quantum computers
Quantum communication
State transfer
Reservoir engineering
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Requirement: Fine tuning of the interaction parameters

Coupling constant may be inaccessible quantities

QET provides tools to evaluate the ultimate precision of any estimation procedure

Characterization of qubit registers or spin networks



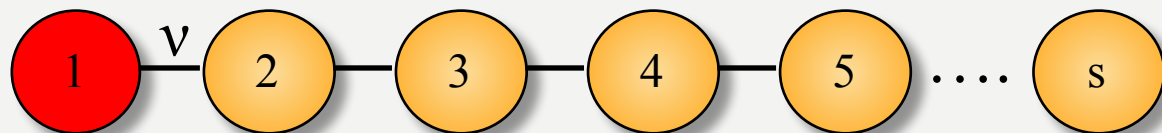
$$\mathcal{H}_0 = -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s-1} \sigma_+^{j+1} \sigma_-^j + \sigma_+^j \sigma_-^{j+1}$$

$$\sigma_{\pm}^j = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x^j \pm i\sigma_y^j)$$

$$N_z = \sum_{j=1}^s \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + \sigma_z^j)$$

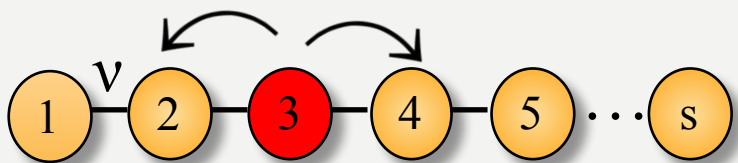
Single excitation

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s-1} |j+1\rangle\langle j| + |j\rangle\langle j+1|$$



A Quantum Walk on the Line

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = -\frac{v}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s-1} |j+1\rangle\langle j| + |j\rangle\langle j+1|$$



$$\lambda = v\tau$$

$$e_k(v) = -v \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{s+1}\right)$$

$$|e_k\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{s+1}} \sum_{j=1}^s \sin\left(\frac{k\pi j}{s+1}\right) |j\rangle$$

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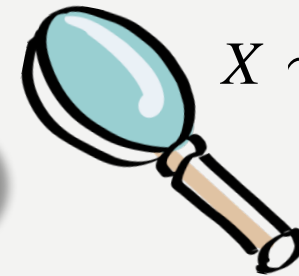
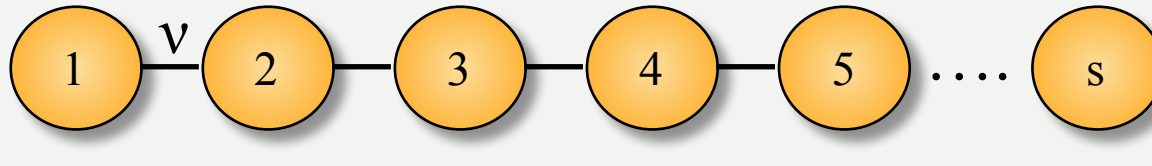
$$U_\lambda = E^{-i\mathcal{H}_0\tau}$$



$$|\psi_\lambda\rangle = U_\lambda |x_0\rangle$$

Estimation schemes for the coupling constant

$$\lambda = v\tau$$



$$X \sim p(x|\lambda)$$

$$\lambda(x_1, x_2, \dots) \text{ estimator}$$

$$F(\lambda) = E \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \ln p(x|\lambda) \right)^2 \right] \text{ Fisher information}$$

$$\text{Var} \lambda \geq \frac{1}{MF(\lambda)} \text{ Cramèr-Rao Bound}$$

$$\text{Var} \lambda \geq \frac{1}{MH(\lambda)}. \text{ Quantum CR Bound}$$

Unitary evolutions:

$H=1$ $x_0=1$ or s

$H=2$ Other

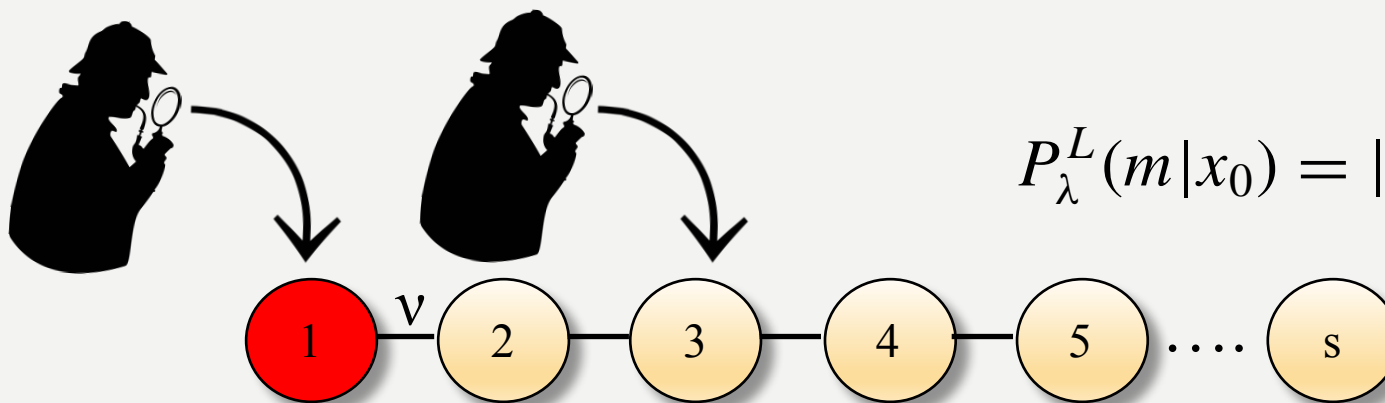
$$H = 4 \langle \psi_0 | G^2 | \psi_0 \rangle - (\langle \psi_0 | G | \psi_0 \rangle)^2$$

$$G = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s-1} |j+1\rangle\langle j| + |j\rangle\langle j+1|$$

Estimation scheme I: Local measurement

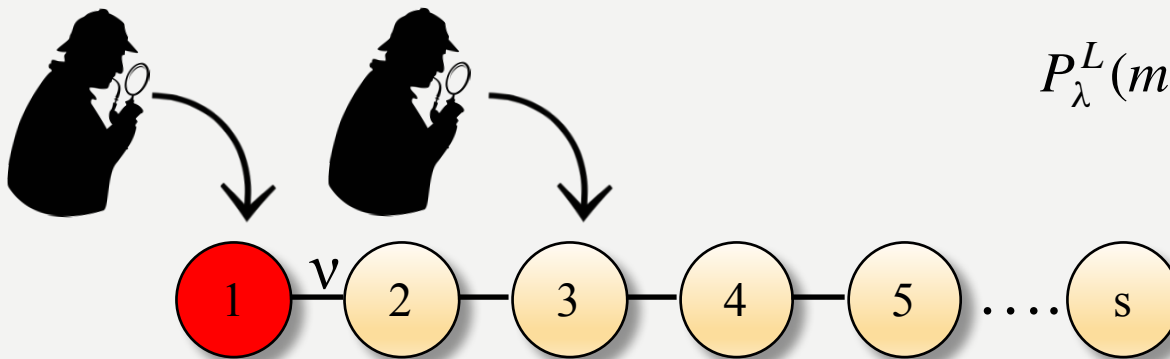
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$$\lambda = \nu\tau$$



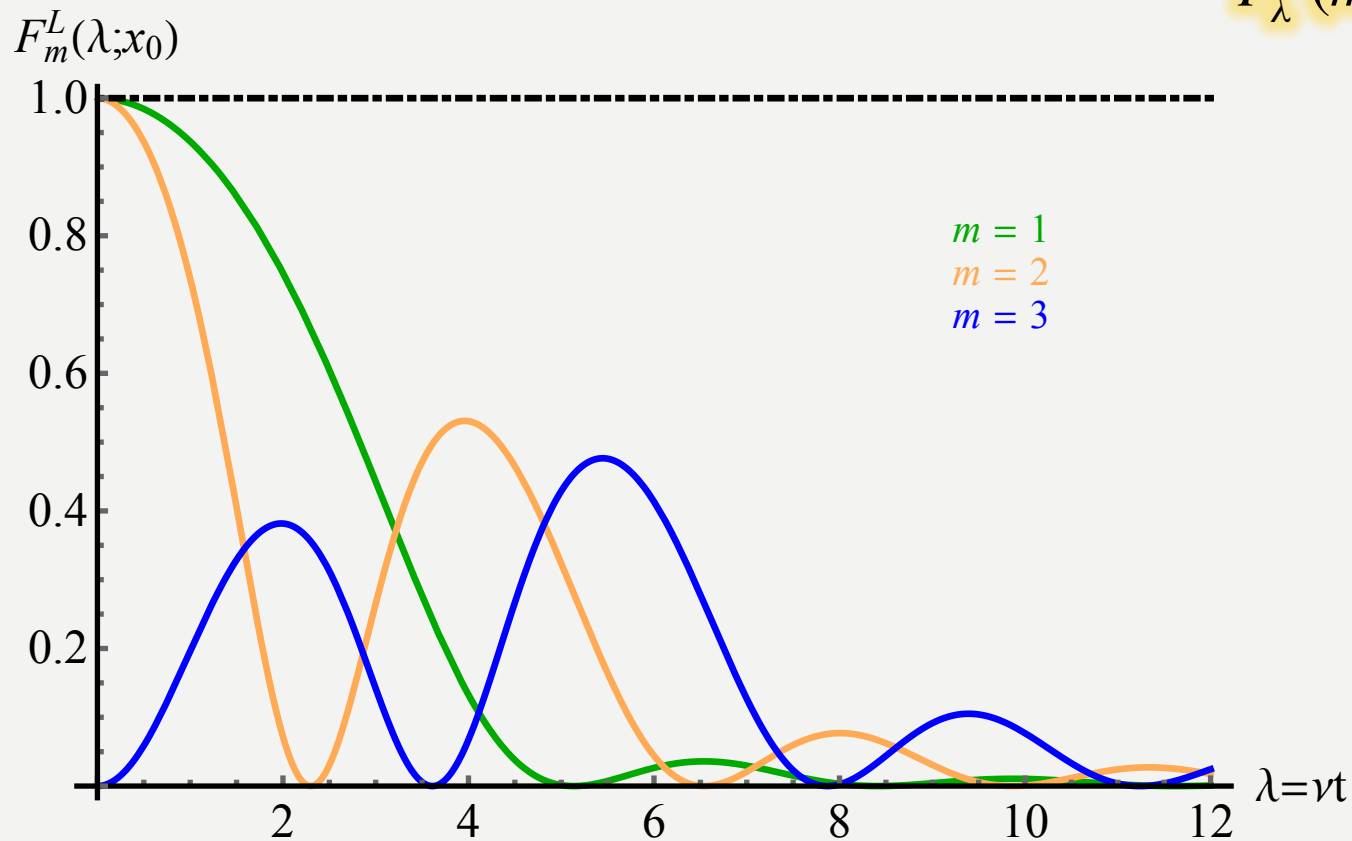
$$F_m^L(\lambda; x_0) = \frac{[\partial_\lambda P_\lambda^L(m|x_0)]^2}{P_\lambda^L(m|x_0)[1 - P_\lambda^L(m|x_0)]}$$

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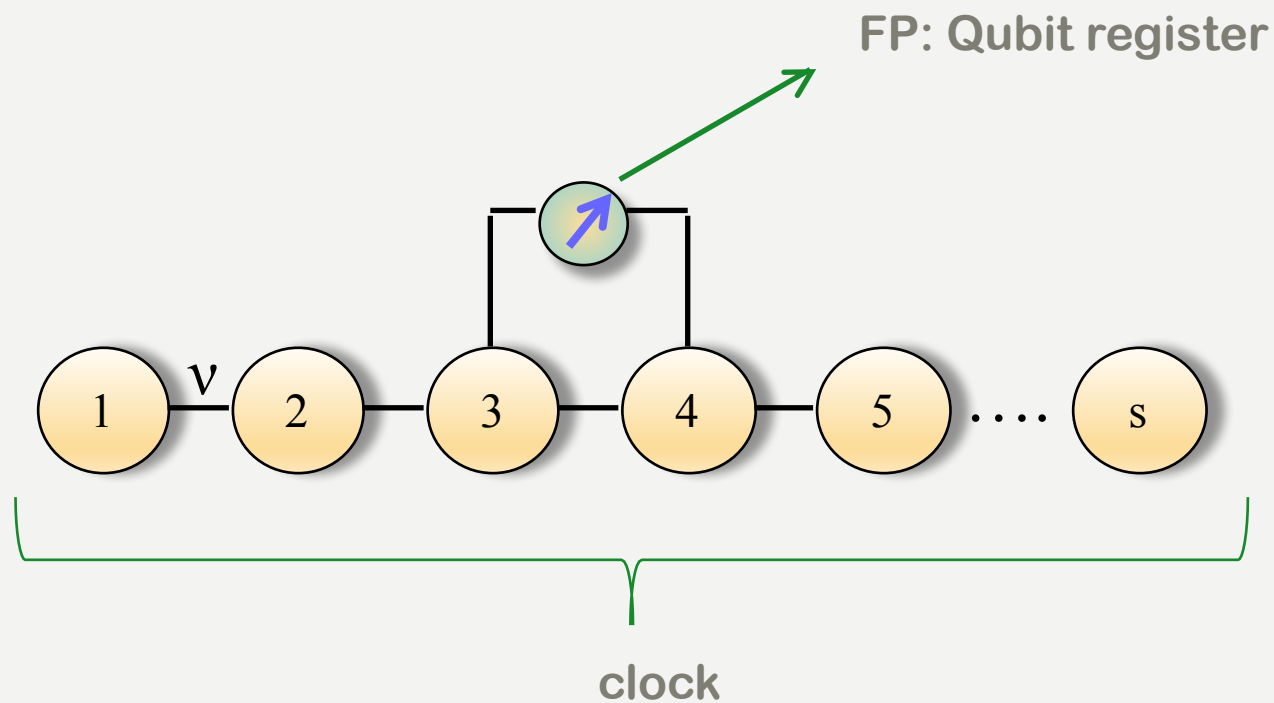


$$P_{\lambda}^L(m|x_0) = |\langle \psi_{\lambda} | m \rangle|^2$$

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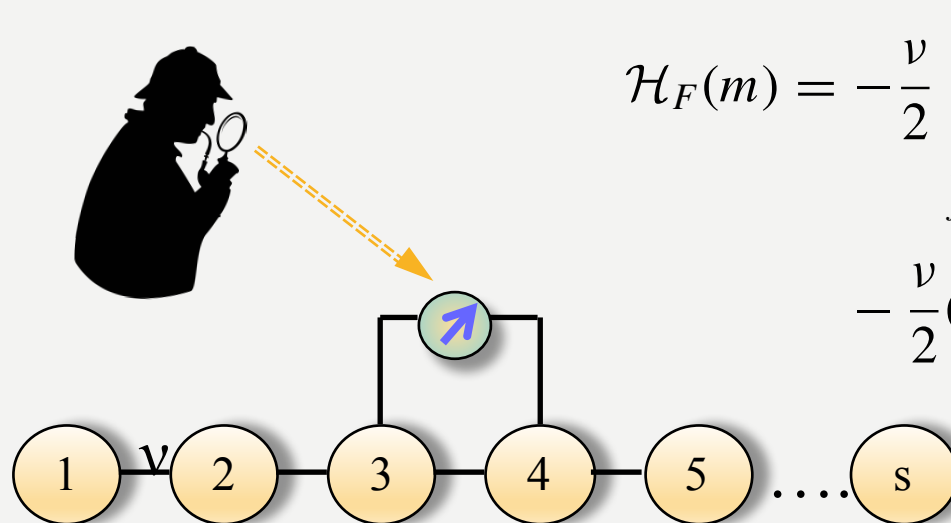


Estimation schemes II: Feynman probe



$$\mathcal{H}_F(m) = -\frac{v}{2} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq m}}^{s-1} |j+1\rangle\langle j| + |j\rangle\langle j+1| - \frac{v}{2} (|m+1\rangle\langle m| \otimes \sigma_x + |m\rangle\langle m+1| \otimes \sigma_x)$$

Estimation schemes II: Feynman probe



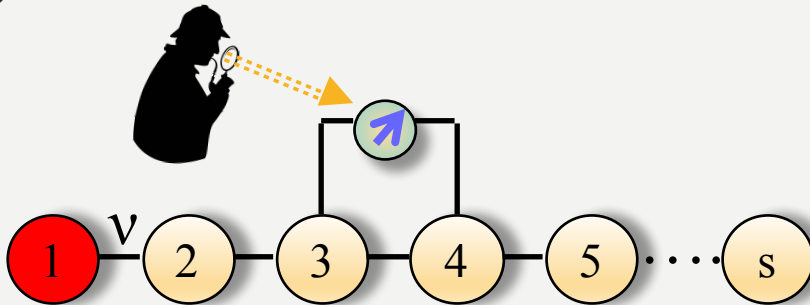
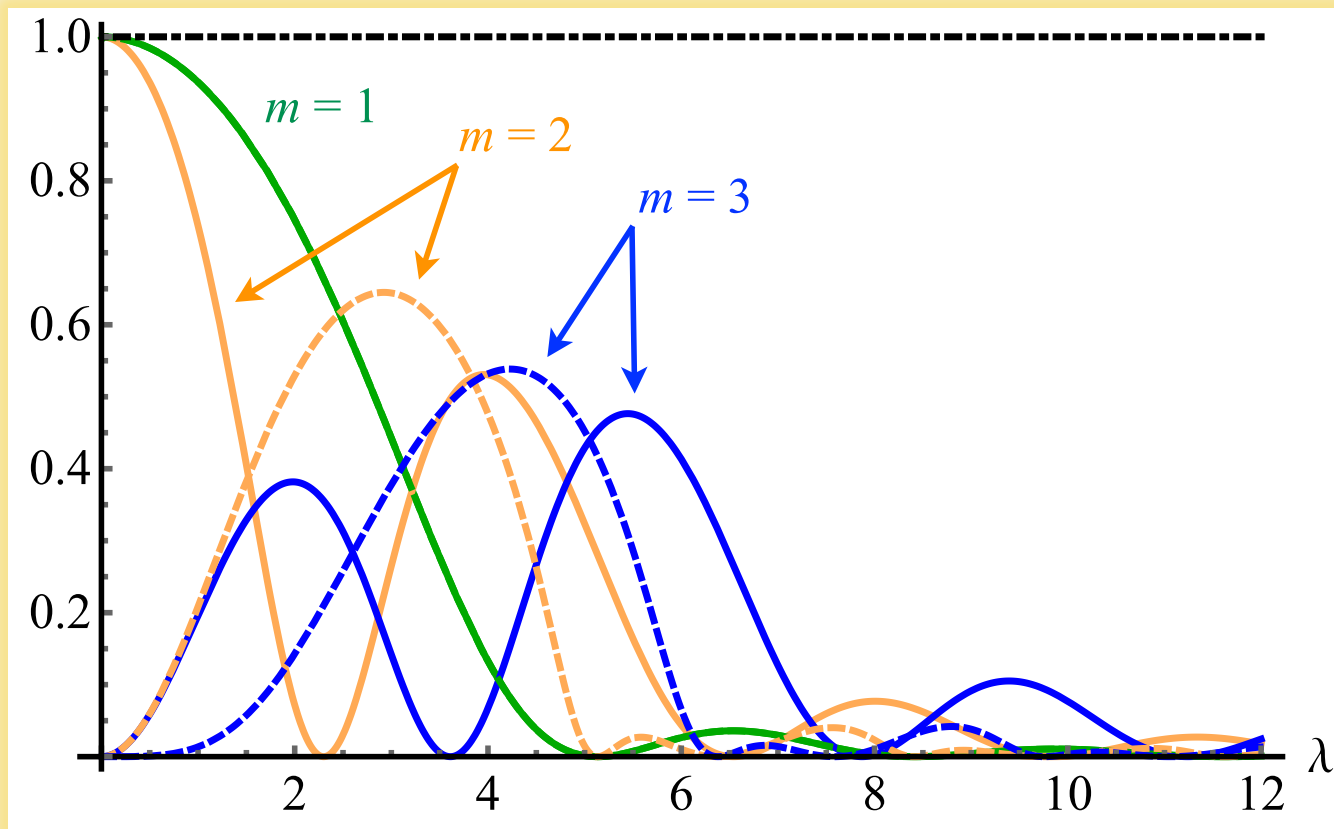
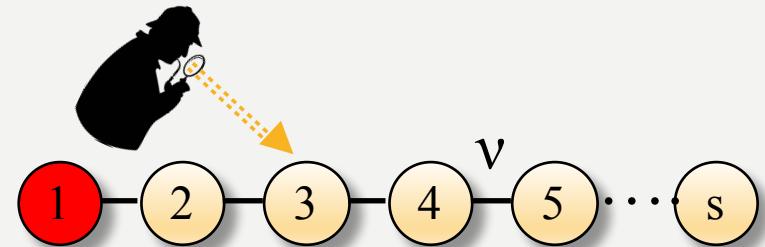
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$$|1, \uparrow\rangle, \dots, |m, \uparrow\rangle, |m+1, \downarrow\rangle, \dots, |s, \downarrow\rangle$$

$$P_\lambda(\uparrow | m, x_0) = \sum_{x=1}^m |\langle \psi_\lambda | x \rangle|^2.$$

$$F_m^P(\lambda; x_0) = \frac{[\partial_\lambda P_\lambda(\uparrow | m, x_0)]^2}{P_\lambda(\uparrow | m, x_0)[1 - P_\lambda(\uparrow | m, x_0)]}$$

Estimation schemes: Feynman probe

$$F_m^P(\lambda; x_0) \text{ (dashed lines)}$$
 $F_m^L(\lambda; x_0)$ (solid lines)

(a) $x_0 = 1$



Bayesian estimator

$$P_B(\lambda|\Omega) = \frac{P(\Omega|\lambda)P(\lambda)}{\int P(\Omega|\lambda')P(\lambda')d\lambda'}$$

Bayes Theorem

$$P(\Omega|\lambda) = p_\lambda^{N_0} (1 - p_\lambda)^{M-N_0}$$

Likelihood

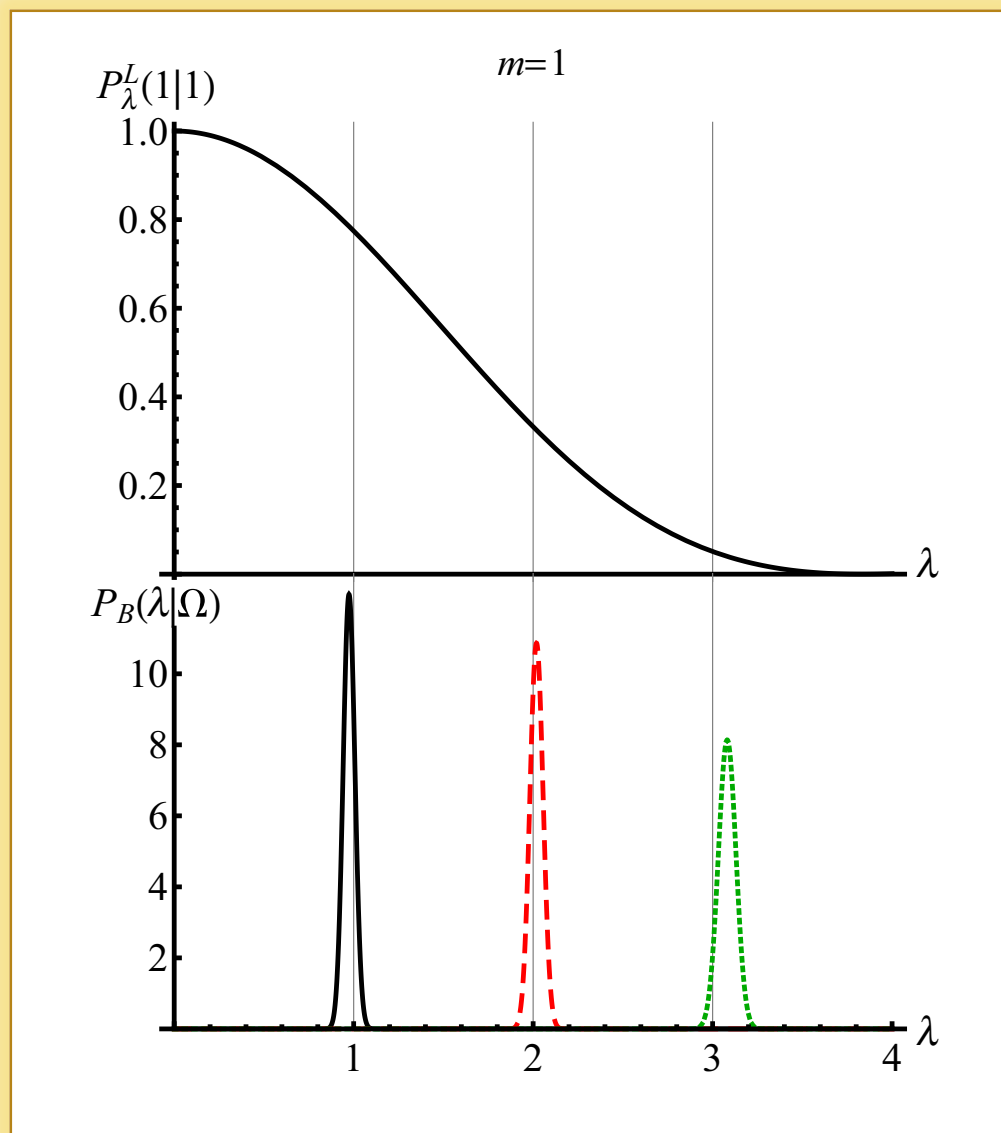
$$\hat{\lambda} = \int \lambda P_B(\lambda|\Omega)d\lambda$$

Bayesian estimator

$$\sigma^2[\hat{\lambda}] = \int [\lambda - \hat{\lambda}]^2 P_B(\lambda|\Omega)d\lambda$$

Bayesian variance

Measure on the first site: *LM* vs *FP*

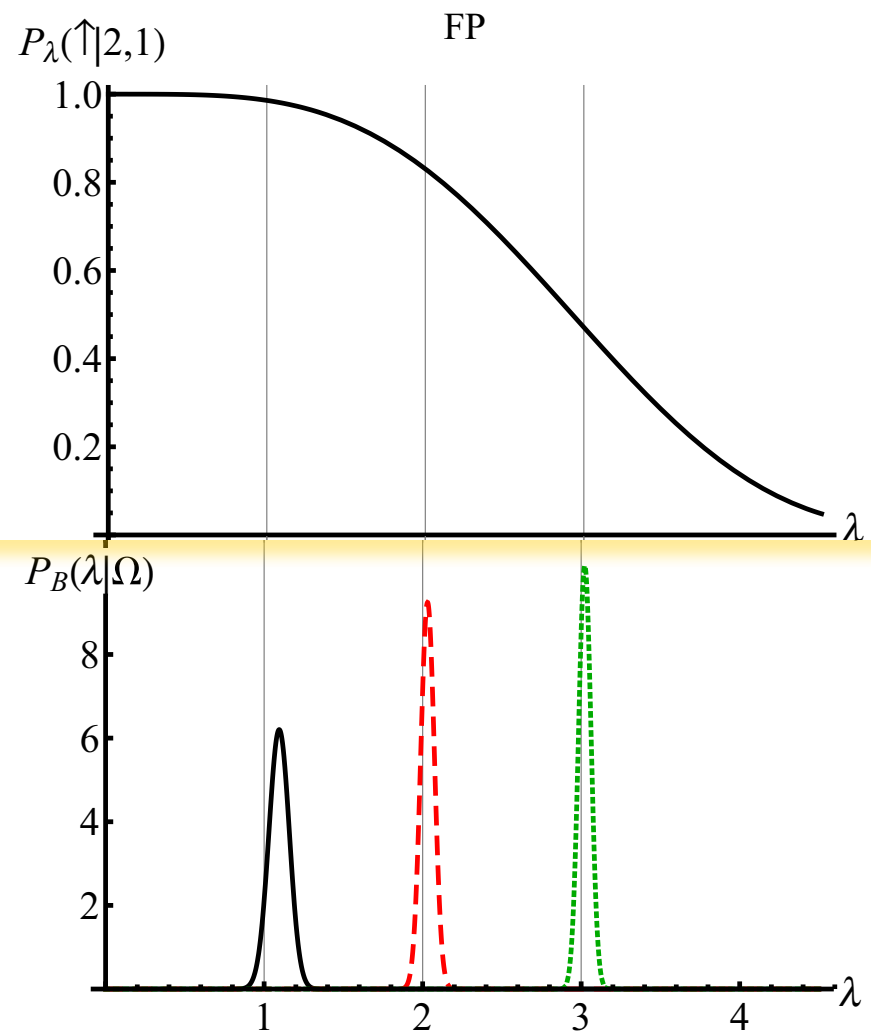
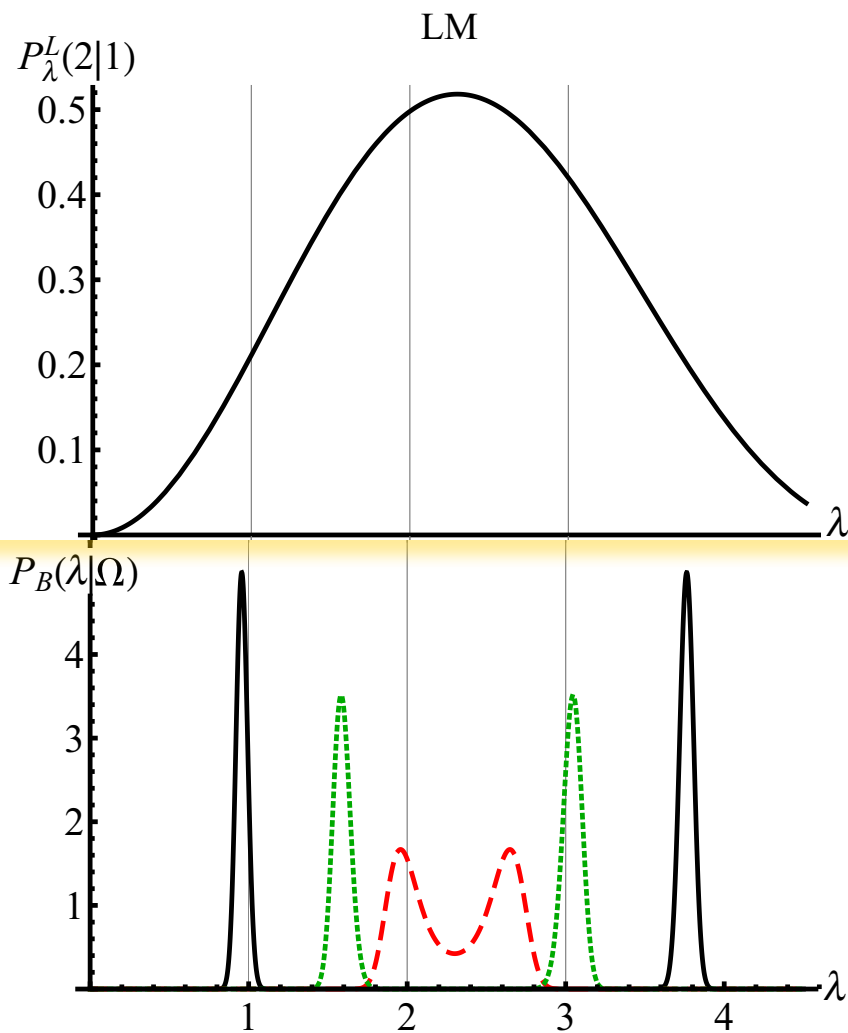


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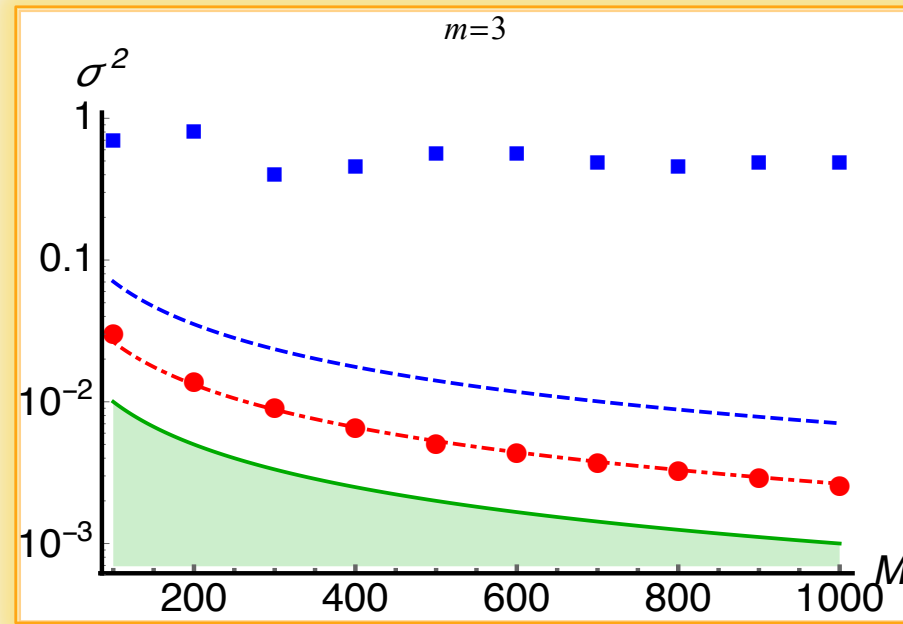
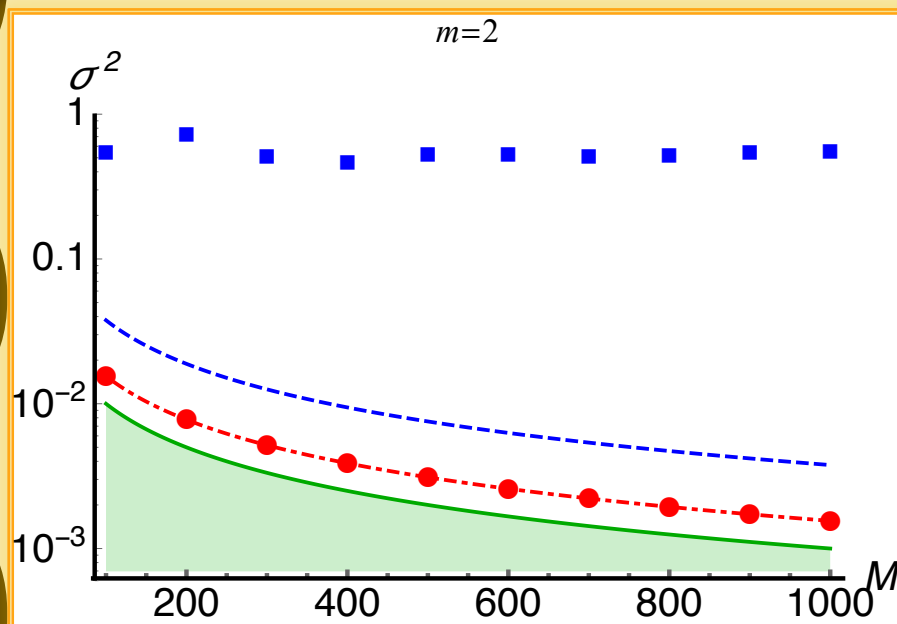
$\lambda_T = 1(\text{black}), 2(\text{red}), 3(\text{green})$

Measure on a generic site: LM vs FP



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Cramèr-Rao bound: LM vs FP



$$\lambda_T = 3$$

LM (blue squares), FP (red circles)

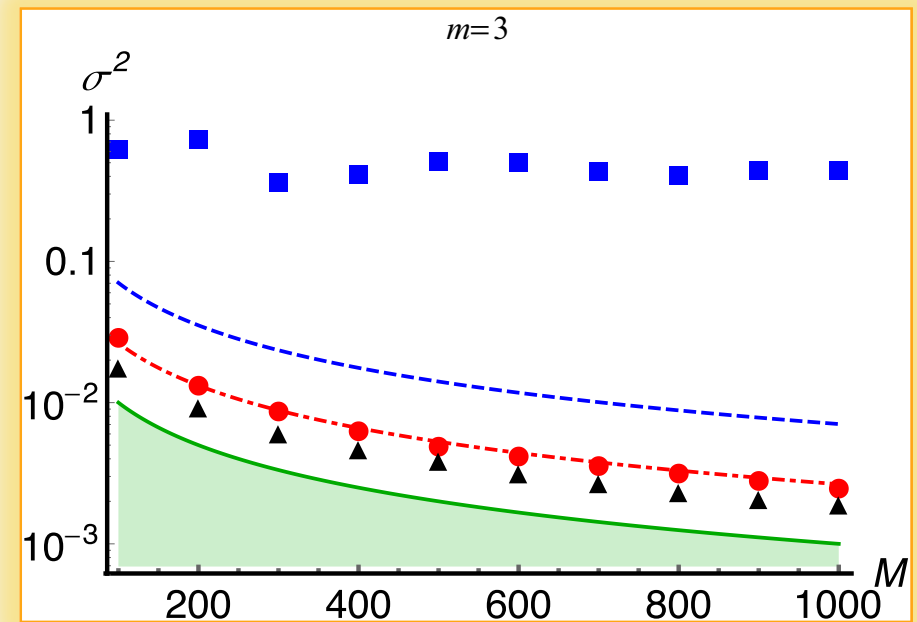
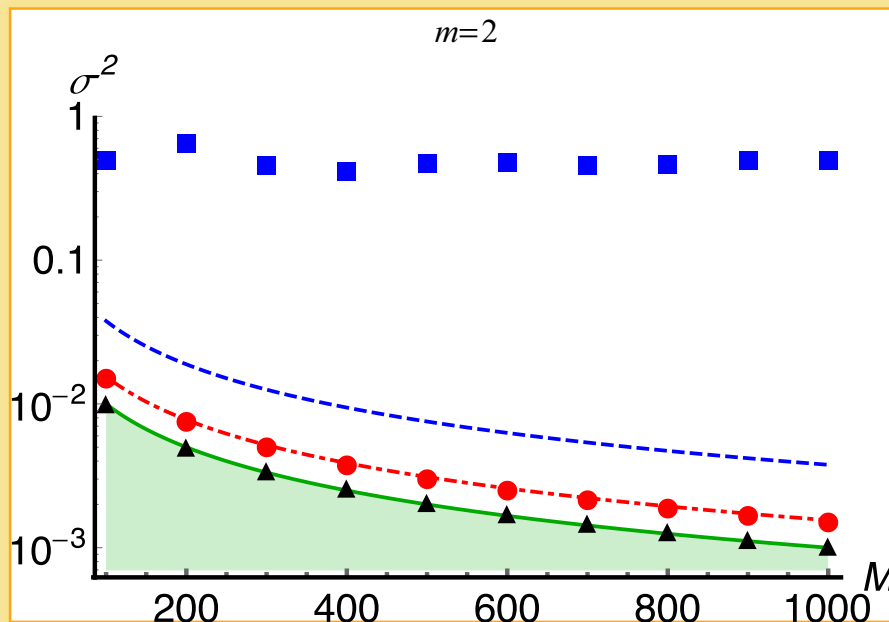
QCR bound (green area)

A new scheme: FP + LM

$$P_B(\lambda|\Omega) = \frac{P(\Omega|\lambda)P(\lambda)}{\int P(\Omega|\lambda')P(\lambda')d\lambda'}$$

Two-step measurement scheme:

- FP to construct the *a posteriori* probability distribution $P_B(\lambda|\Omega)$
- This probability is used as a *a-priori* probability in a LM Bayesian inference



$\lambda_T = 3$

LM (blue squares), FP (red circles), FP+LM (black triangles)

QCR bound (green area)

Conclusions

- ❖ We compared the estimation procedures based on LM and FP for the **characterization** of linear chains of qubits.
- ❖ LMs provide optimal characterization for small values of the coupling and when the site x_0 is measured.
- ❖ For strongly coupled systems, FP provides a consistent Bayesian estimator that saturated the CR bound.
- ❖ We suggested a **two-step** adaptive measurement scheme FP+LM, that achieves the QCR bound.

OUTLOOK

- ❖ Complex networks
- ❖ Effects of decoherence



Thank you!

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