

Quantum Optics and Lattice Gauge Systems

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QUANTUM SIMULATORS



Simulating Physics with Computers

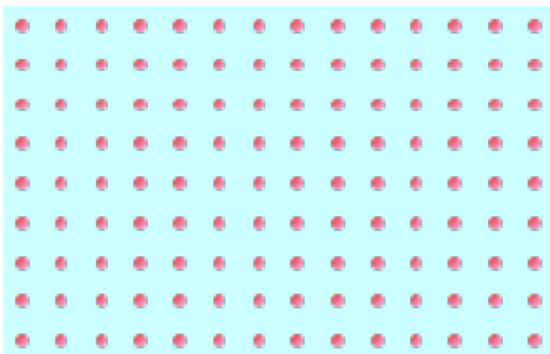
Richard P. Feynman

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1. INTRODUCTION

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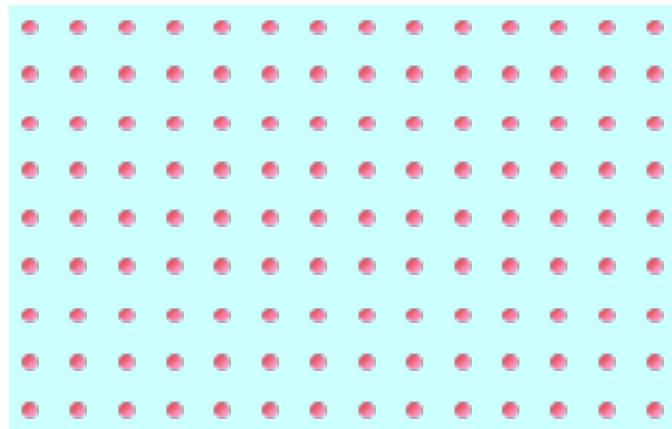


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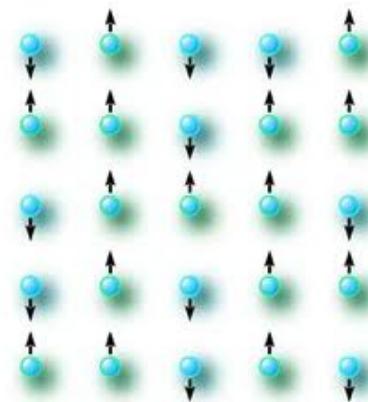
MODEL



Model Hamiltonian

$$H = \dots$$

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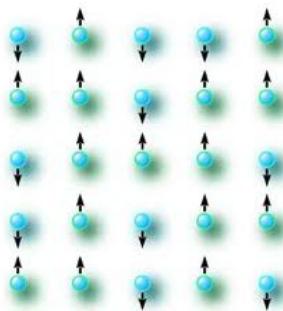


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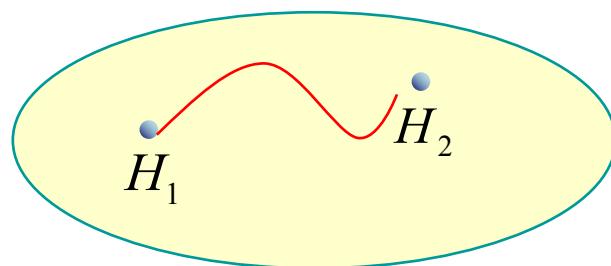


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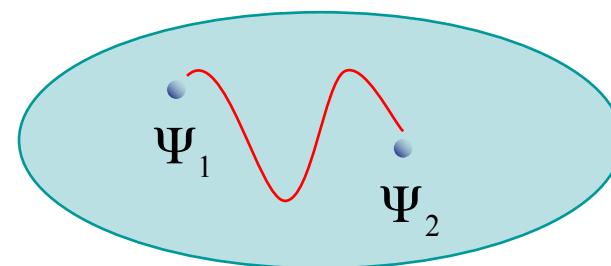


- Dynamics:
- Ground state:

Hamiltonians H

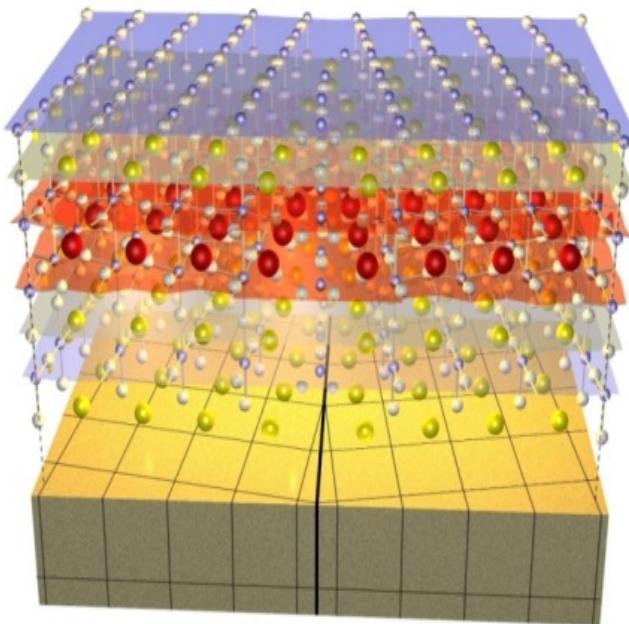


States $|\Psi\rangle$

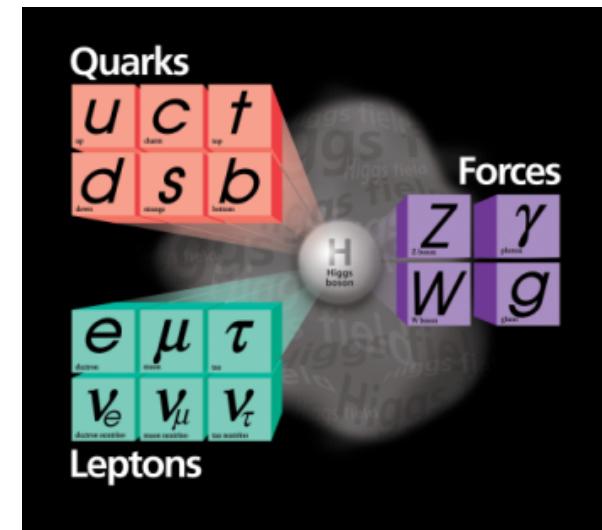




QUANTUM SIMULATORS APPLICATIONS



Material Science



HEP?

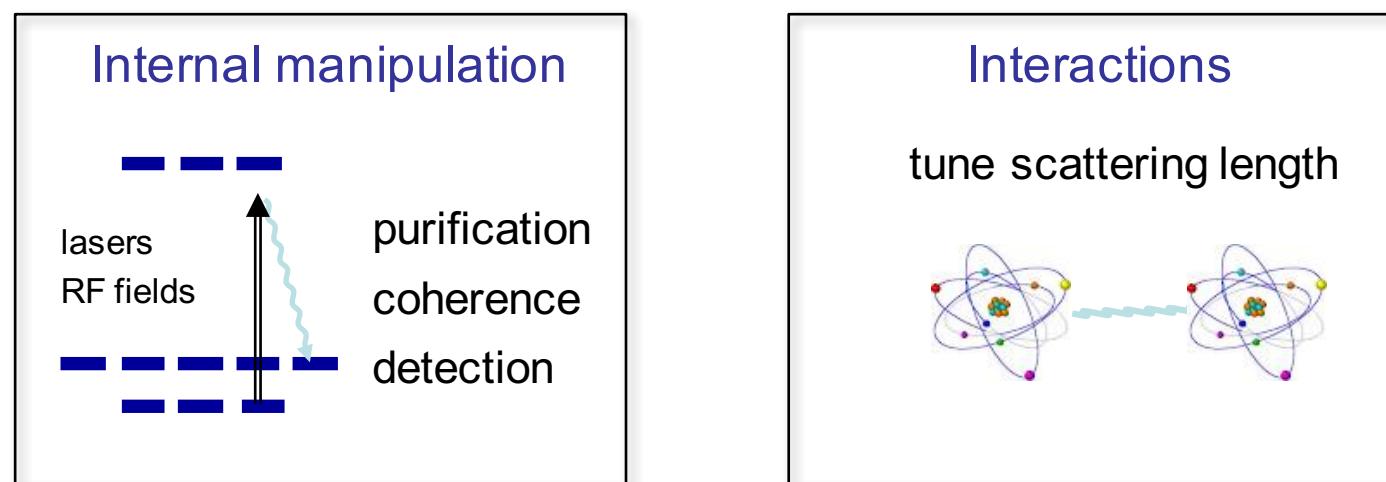
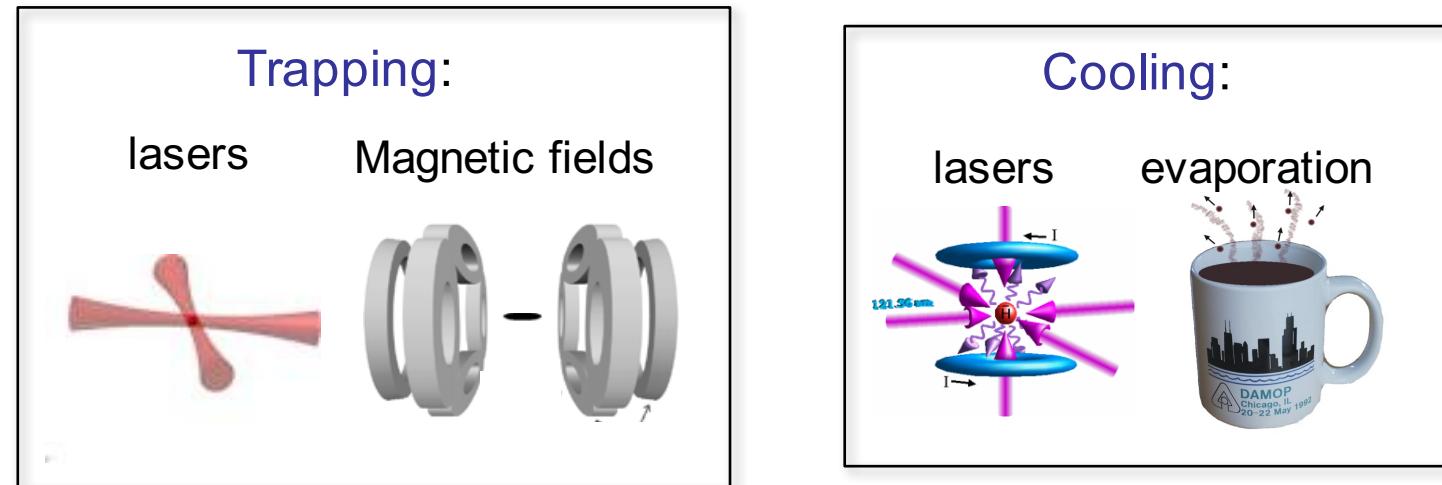
COLD ATOMS IN OPTICAL LATTICES



COLD ATOMS



■ Control: External fields





COLD ATOMS



- Cold atoms are described by simple quantum field theories:

$$H = \int \Psi_\sigma^\dagger (-\nabla^2 + V(r)) \Psi_\sigma + u_{\sigma_i} \int \Psi_{\sigma_1}^\dagger \Psi_{\sigma_2}^\dagger \Psi_{\sigma_3} \Psi_{\sigma_4}$$

- We can have bosons or fermions (or both).
- We can have different internal states (spin).
- The external potential, V , and interaction coefficients, u , can be engineered using lasers, and electric and magnetic fields.
- In certain limits, one obtains effective theories that are interesting in other fields of Physics.



Quantum Simulations



COLD ATOMS OPTICAL LATTICES



- Laser standing waves: dipole-trapping

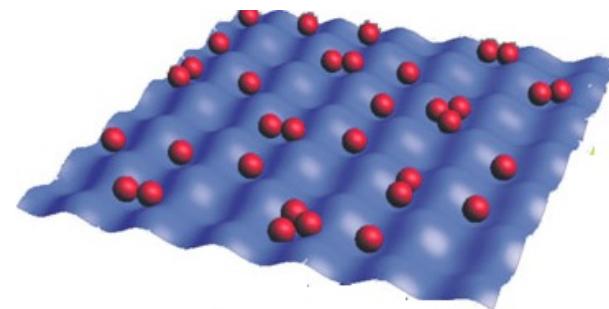
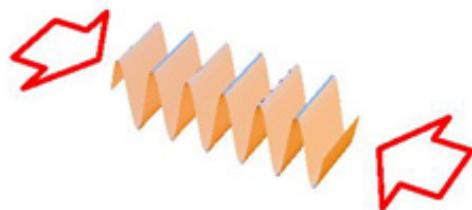
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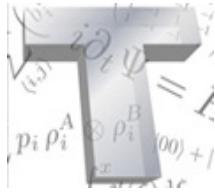
PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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Cold Bosonic Atoms in Optical Lattices

D. Jaksch,^{1,2} C. Bruder,^{1,3} J. I. Cirac,^{1,2} C. W. Gardiner,^{1,4} and P. Zoller^{1,2}



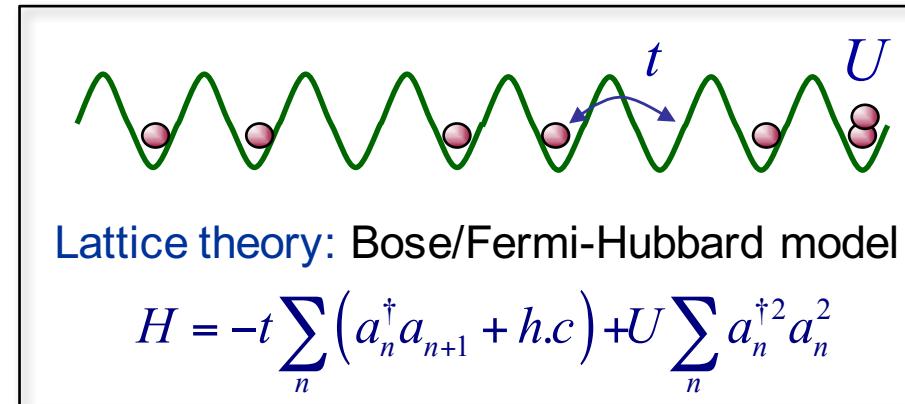


COLD ATOMS OPTICAL LATTICES



- Laser standing waves: dipole-trapping

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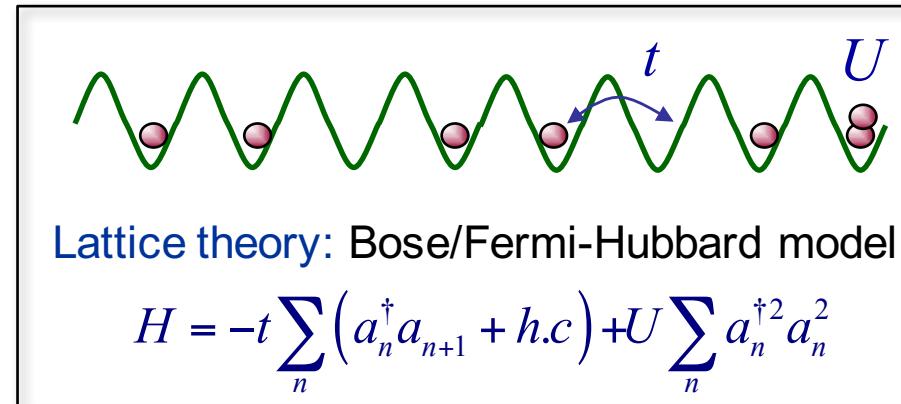


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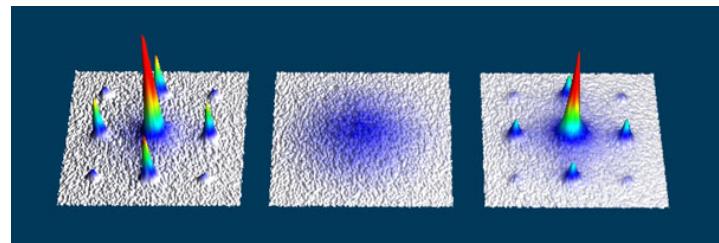
articles

Quantum phase transition from a superfluid to a Mott insulator in a gas of ultracold atoms

Markus Greiner*, Olaf Mandel*, Tilman Esslinger†, Theodor W. Hänsch* & Immanuel Bloch*

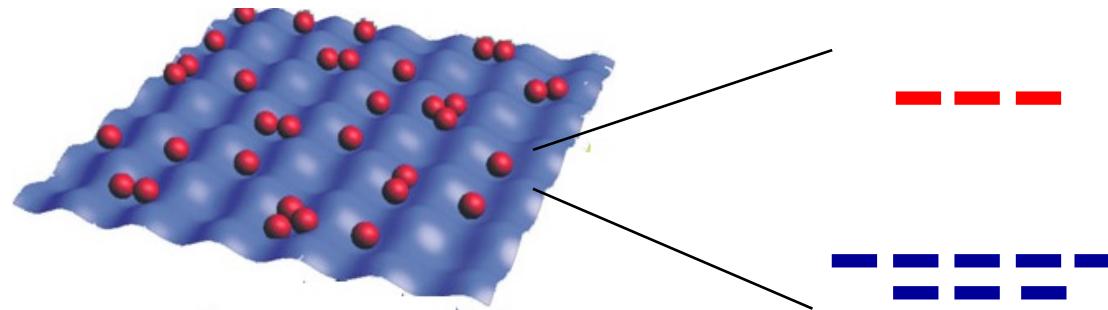
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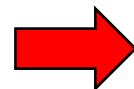




COLD ATOMS QUANTUM SIMULATION



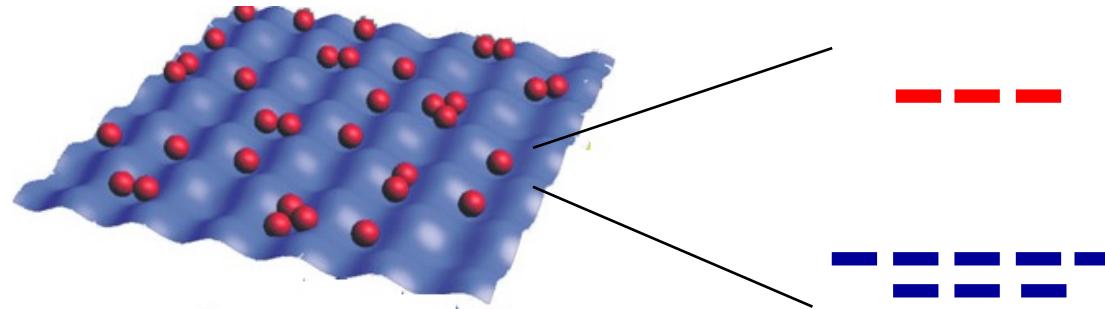
- Bosons/Fermions:
$$H = - \sum_{\substack{\langle n,m \rangle \\ \sigma,\sigma'}} \left(t_{\sigma,\sigma'} a_{n,\sigma}^\dagger a_{m,\sigma'} + h.c. \right) + \sum_n U_{\sigma,\sigma'} a_{n,\sigma}^\dagger a_{n,\sigma'}^\dagger a_{n,\sigma'} a_{n,\sigma}$$
- Spins:
$$H = - \sum_{\substack{\langle n,m \rangle \\ \sigma,\sigma'}} \left(J_x S_n^x S_m^x + J_y S_n^y S_m^y + J_z S_n^z S_m^z \right) + \sum_n B_n S_n^z$$



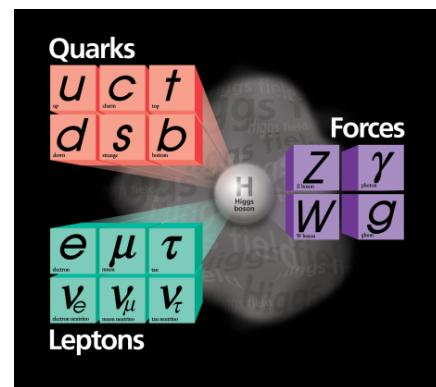
CONDENSED MATTER PHYSICS



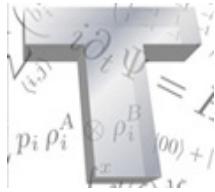
COLD ATOMS QUANTUM SIMULATION



HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS?



QUANTUM SIMULATIONS OF HEP MODELS



QUANTUM SIMULATION HEP MODELS INGREDIENTS



$$S = \int \bar{\Psi} (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \Psi - Q \int A_\mu \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi - \frac{1}{4} \int F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

- Matter + Gauge Fields

- Relativistic theory

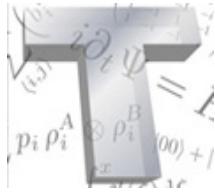
- Gauge invariant

- Hamiltonian formulation: $i\partial_t |\Psi\rangle = H |\Psi\rangle$

- Gauss law

$$G(x) |\Psi\rangle = 0$$

$$[H, G(x)] = 0$$



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Lattice



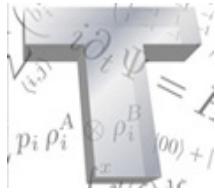
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Lattice

Fermion-gauge field
coupling

Gauge field
dynamics

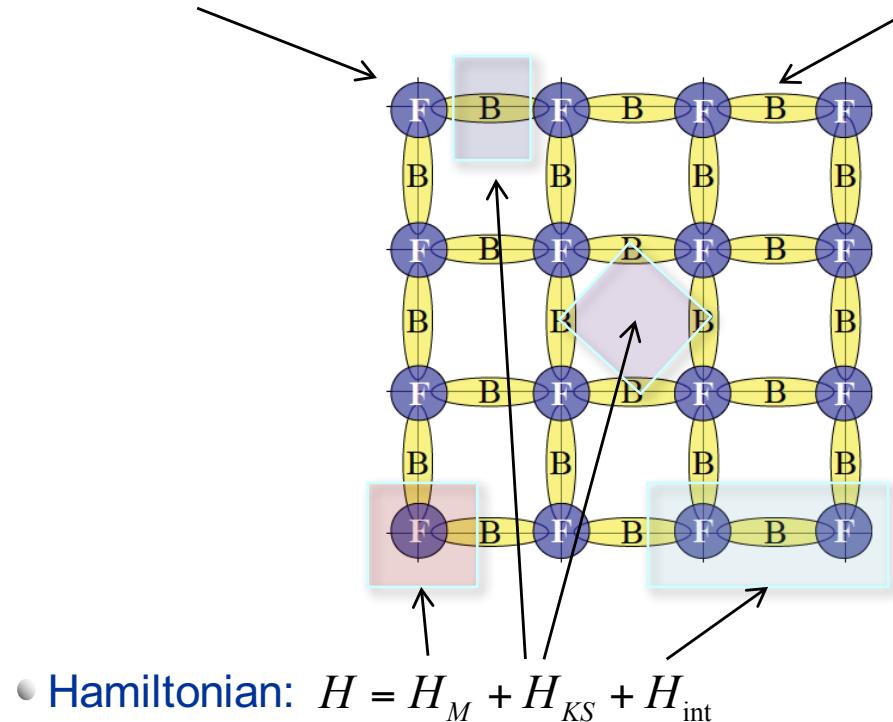


HEP LATTICE MODELS HAMILTONIAN FORMULATION



Matter (Fermions): can move

Gauge fields (Bosons): Static



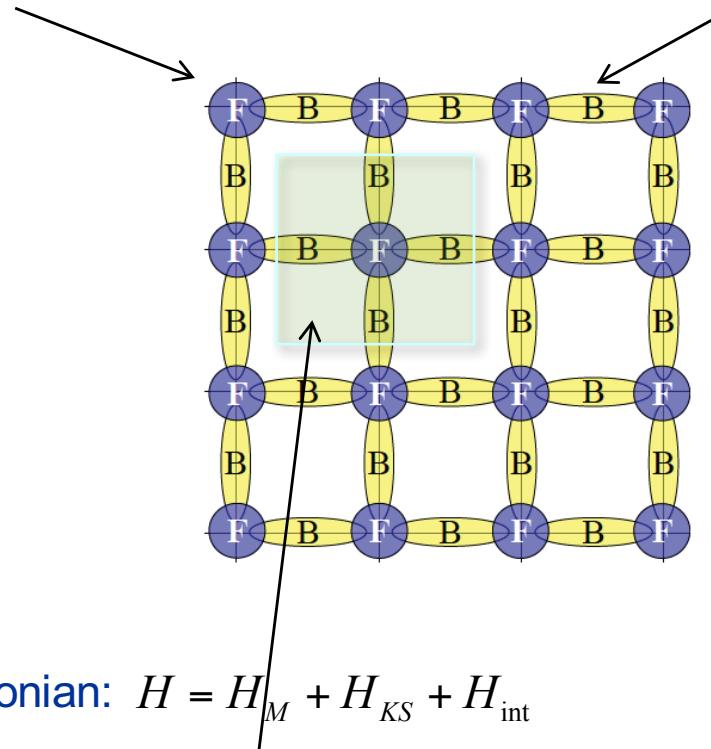


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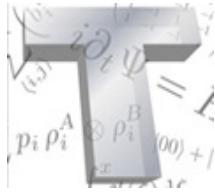


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- Gauge invariance: Gauge group: U(1), Z_N, SU(N), etc



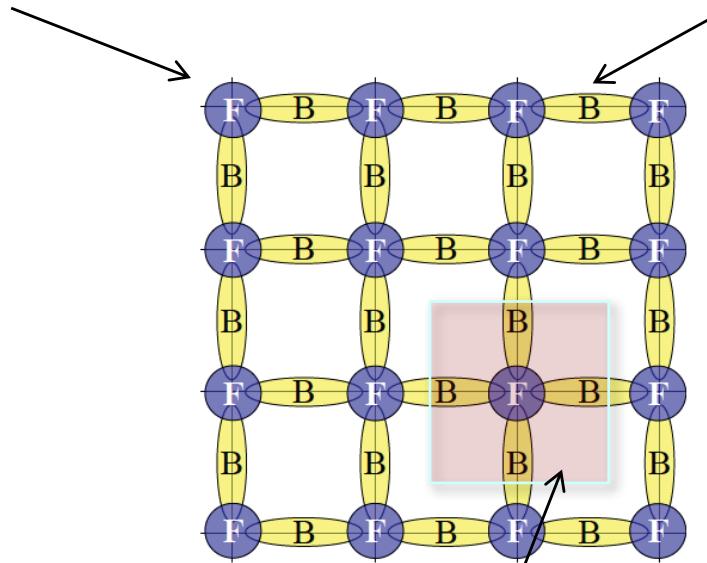
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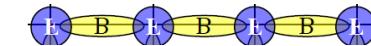


HEP LATTICE MODELS HAMILTONIAN FORMULATION



■ Example: compact-QED in 1D

- Hamiltonians:



$$H_M = \sum_{\mathbf{n}} M_{\mathbf{n}} \psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{n}}$$

$$H_{int} = \epsilon \sum_{\mathbf{n}, k} \left(\psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger e^{i\phi_{\mathbf{n}, k}} \psi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{\mathbf{k}}} + \psi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{\mathbf{k}}}^\dagger e^{-i\phi_{\mathbf{n}, k}} \psi_{\mathbf{n}} \right)$$

$$H_{KS} = H_E = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_{n, k} E_n^2$$

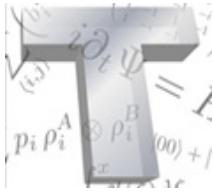
$$[E_{\mathbf{n}, k}, \phi_{\mathbf{m}, l}] = -i\delta_{\mathbf{nm}}\delta_{kl} \quad (\text{ie, compact})$$

- Gauss law: $G_n |phys\rangle = 0$

$$G_n = E_{n+1} - E_n - \psi_n^\dagger \psi_n$$

- Gauge invariance: $e^{-i\theta G_n} H e^{i\theta G_n} = H$

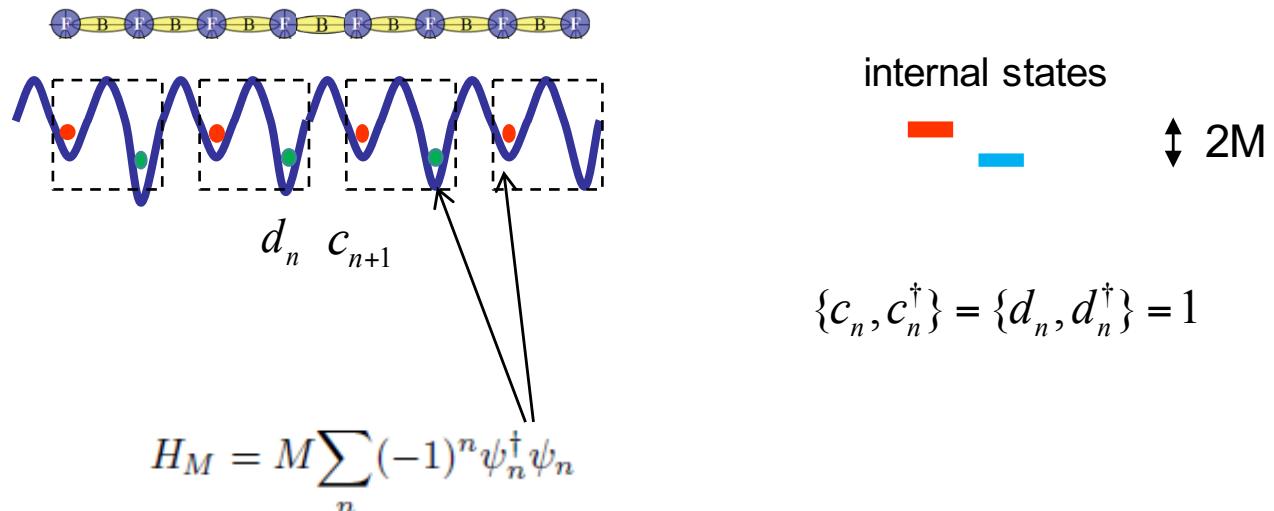
SCHWINGER MODEL



QUANTUM SIMULATION SCHWINGER MODEL 1+1



■ Fermions:



$$\{c_n, c_n^\dagger\} = \{d_n, d_n^\dagger\} = 1$$

$$H = \int \Psi_\sigma^\dagger (-\nabla^2 + V(r)) \Psi_\sigma + u \int \Phi_\mu^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'} \Psi_\sigma^\dagger \Psi_{\sigma'} + v \int \Phi_\sigma^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'}^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'} \Phi_\sigma + \dots$$

- Even sites: hole = particle
- Odd sites: fermion = antiparticle

Staggered Fermions:

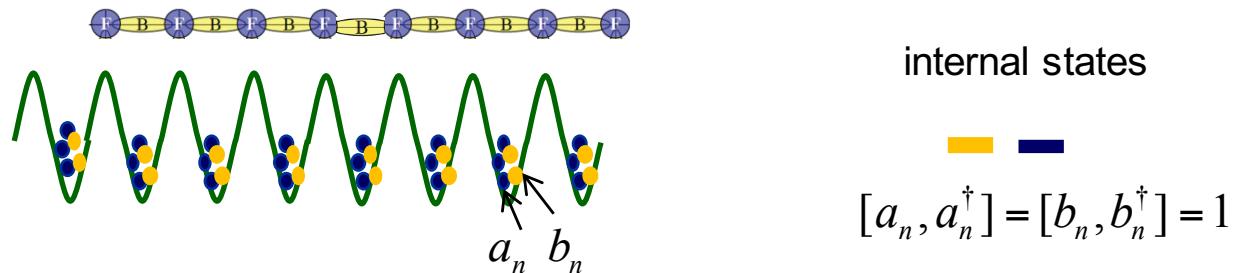
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QUANTUM SIMULATION SCHWINGER MODEL 1+1



■ Bosons:



- Schwinger rep:

$$\begin{aligned} L_+ &= a^\dagger b \\ L_z &= \frac{1}{2} (N_a - N_b) \\ \ell &= \frac{1}{2} (N_a + N_b) \end{aligned} \quad \xrightarrow{| \gg 1} \quad \begin{aligned} L_+ &\approx | e^{i\phi} \\ L_z &\approx i\partial_\phi \end{aligned}$$

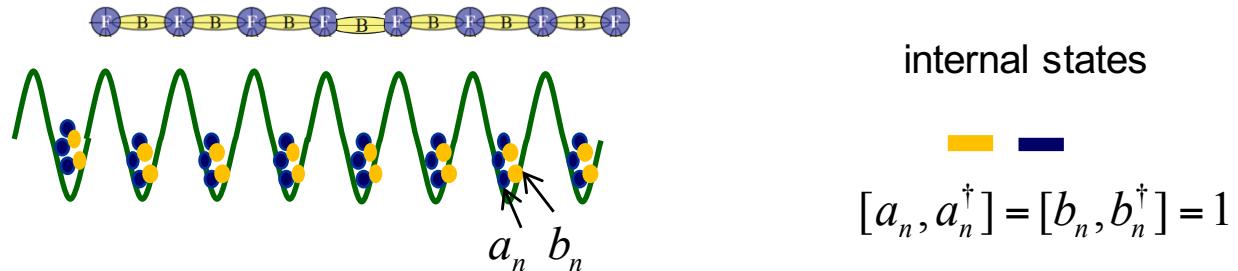
- If $|$ is small (eg 2 atoms), we obtain a truncated version
- One can also use a single atom with few internal levels (Z_M is the gauge group)



QUANTUM SIMULATION SCHWINGER MODEL 1+1



■ Bosons:



$$\begin{aligned} H_E &= \frac{g^2}{2} \sum L_{z,n}^2 \\ &= \frac{g^2}{8} \sum_n (N_{a,n}^2 + N_{b,n}^2 - 2N_{a,n}N_{b,n}) \end{aligned}$$

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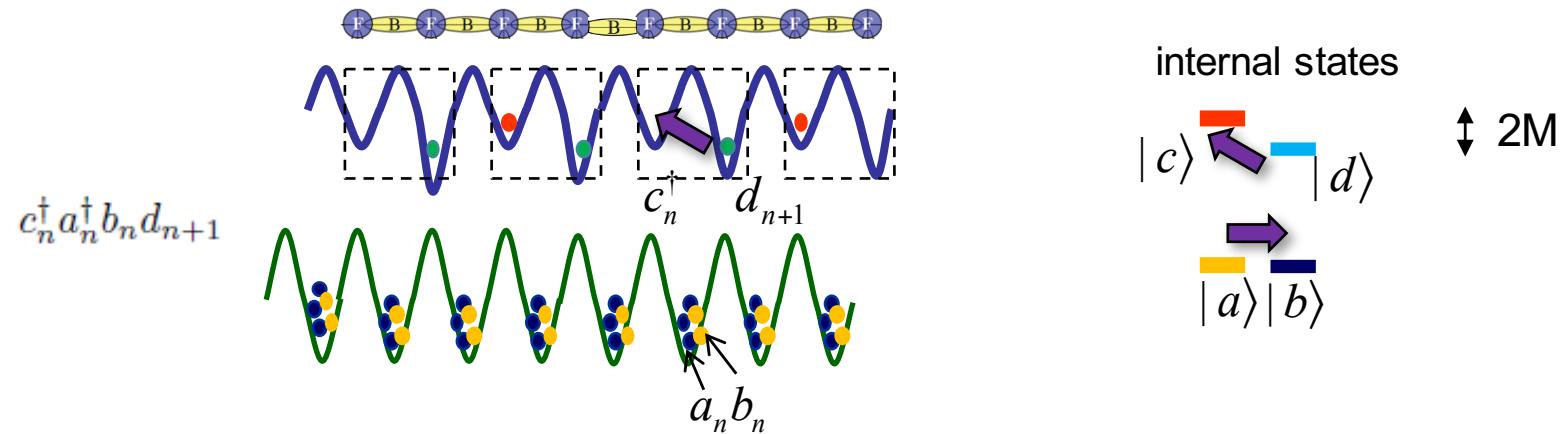
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■ Interactions:



$$H = \int \Psi_\sigma^\dagger \left(-\nabla^2 + V(r) \right) \Psi_\sigma + u \int \Phi_\mu^\dagger \Phi_\sigma \Psi_\sigma^\dagger \Psi_\sigma + v \int \Phi_\sigma^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'}^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'} \Phi_\sigma + \dots$$

conserves angular momentum locally

→ Gauge invariance

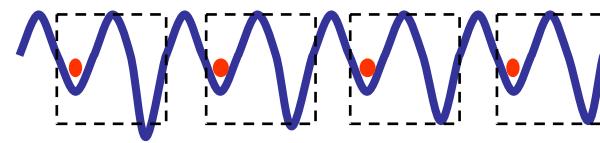
$$H_{int} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ell(\ell+1)}} \psi_n^\dagger a_n^\dagger b_n \psi_{n+1} \approx \psi_n^\dagger e^{i\phi_n} \psi_{n+1}$$



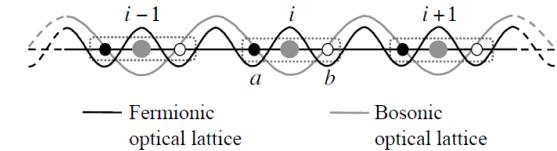
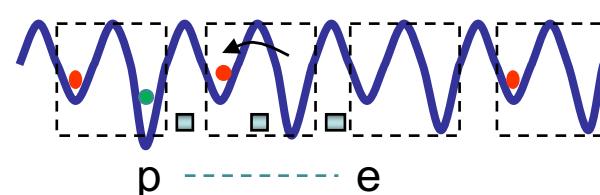
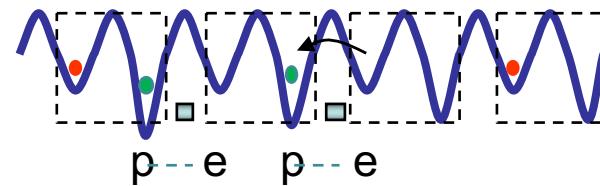
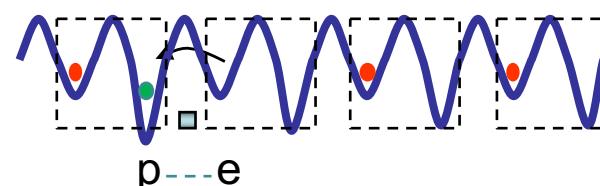
QUANTUM SIMULATION SCHWINGER MODEL 1+1



■ Physical processes:



non-interacting
vacuum



— Fermionic optical lattice — Bosonic optical lattice

TABLE

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$|1\rangle_e |0\rangle_p$

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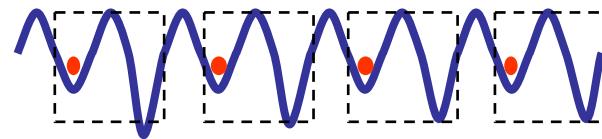
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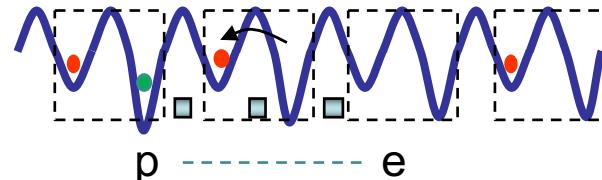


■ Preparation:



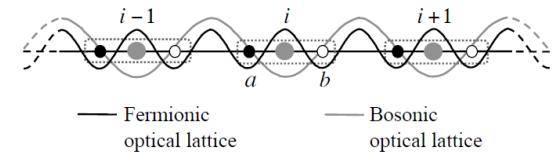
non-interacting
vacuum

switch on interactions



interacting
vacuum

- Confinement
- Excitations: vector + scalar
- Time-dependent phenomena
- First experiments: few bosonic atoms



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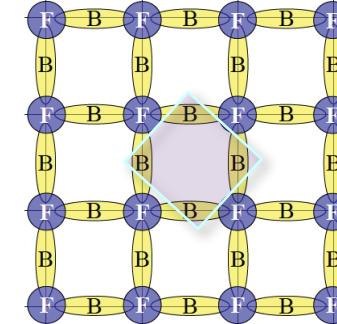


QUANTUM SIMULATION HIGHER DIMENSIONS, NON-ABELIAN



■ Plaquette interactions:

$$H_B = -\frac{2\epsilon^4}{\lambda^3} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \left(U_{\mathbf{n},1} U_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{1},2} U_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{2},1}^\dagger U_{\mathbf{n},2}^\dagger + h.c. \right) = \\ -\frac{4\epsilon^4}{\lambda^3} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \cos \left(\phi_{\mathbf{n},1} + \phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{1},2} - \phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{2},1} - \phi_{\mathbf{n},2} \right)$$

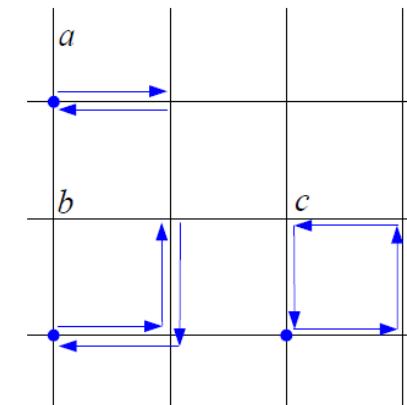


■ Non-abelian gauge theories:

$$H_E = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{n}, k, a} (E_{\mathbf{n},k})_a (E_{\mathbf{n},k})_a$$

$$H_B = -\frac{1}{g^2} \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \left(\text{Tr} \left(U_1 U_2 U_3^\dagger U_4^\dagger \right) + h.c. \right)$$

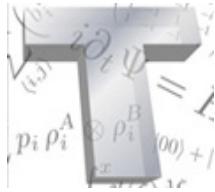
$$H_{int} = \epsilon \sum_{\mathbf{n}, k} (\psi_{\mathbf{n}}^\dagger U_{\mathbf{n},k}^r \psi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{k}} + h.c.)$$



Link



$\downarrow L \quad R \downarrow$
 $\{a_1, a_2\} \quad \{b_1, b_2\}$
 bosonic modes



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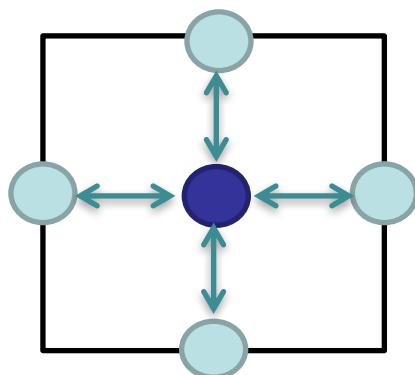
DIGITAL



TROTTER DECOMPOSITION:

$$e^{-iHT} = \left(e^{-iH\frac{T}{N}} \right)^N = \left(e^{-i \sum_j H_j \frac{T}{N}} \right)^N \underset{N \gg 1}{\approx} \left(\prod_j e^{-iH_j \frac{T}{N}} \right)^N$$

MEDIATING INTERACTIONS:



Earlier work: Tagliacozzo et al

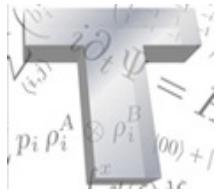


COLD ATOMS

EXPERIMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS



- Cold bosons in optical lattices
 - Mott insulator – superfluid transition
 - Exchange interaction (2nd order perturbation theory)
 - Dynamics
 - Anderson-Higgs mechanism in 2D
- Cold fermions in optical lattices
 - Mott insulator in 2D
- Cold fermions and bosons in optical lattices
 - Mean-field dynamics
- Techniques
 - Tuning of interactions: Magnetic/optical Feshbach resonances
 - Lattice geometry
 - Time of flight measurements
 - Single-site addressing: initializaton
 - Single-site measurement
- Challenges: temperature, decoherence, control ...



QUANTUM SIMULATION

HIGH ENERGY MODELS

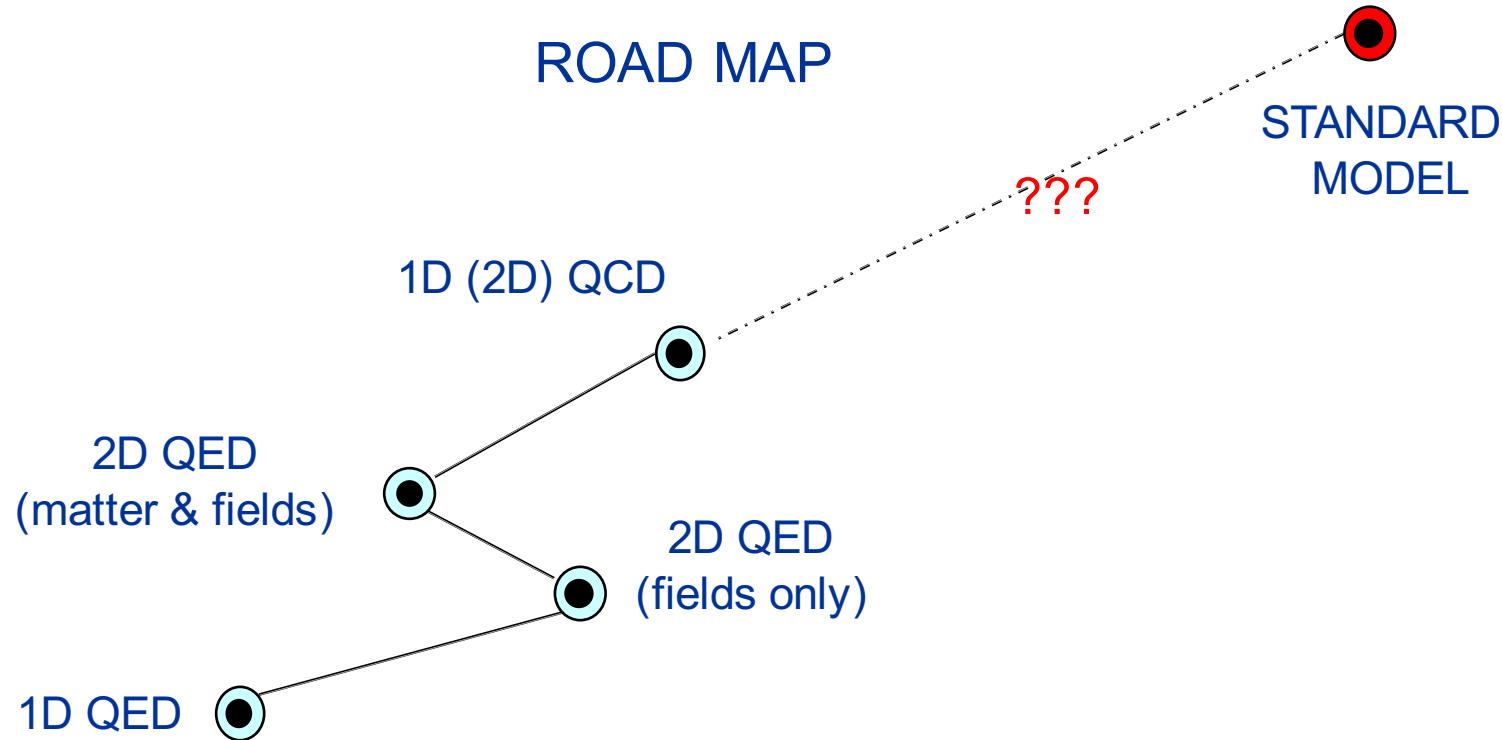




QUANTUM SIMULATION HIGH ENERGY MODELS



ROAD MAP



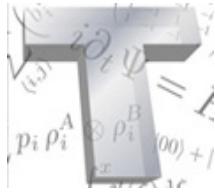
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Gauge fields: Lewenstein et al







QUANTUM SIMULATION HEP MODELS INGREDIENTS



■ Problem:

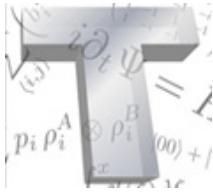
$$H = \int \Psi_\sigma^\dagger (-\nabla^2 + V(r)) \Psi_\sigma + u \int \Phi_\mu^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'} \Psi_\sigma^\dagger \Psi_{\sigma'} + v \int \Phi_\sigma^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'}^\dagger \Phi_{\sigma'} \Phi_\sigma + \dots$$

choose $V(r)$, u , v , etc such that (in some limit), we have

$$\begin{aligned} i\partial_t |\Psi\rangle &= H |\Psi\rangle \\ G(x) |\Psi\rangle &= 0 \end{aligned} \qquad [H, G(x)] = 0$$

corresponding to

$$S = \int \bar{\Psi} (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \Psi - Q \int A_\mu \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi - \frac{1}{4} \int F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$



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■ Matter + Gauge Fields

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→ We need **bosonic** and **fermionic** atoms
We need **interactions** among themselves

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■ Relativistic

$$S = \int \bar{\Psi} (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \Psi - Q \int A_\mu \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi - \frac{1}{4} \int F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

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→ Use a superlattice: it possesses the right limit in the continuum

