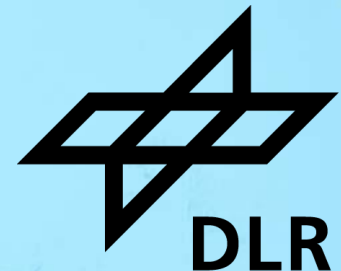


# EXPRESSIVE LIMITS OF QUANTUM RESERVOIR COMPUTING

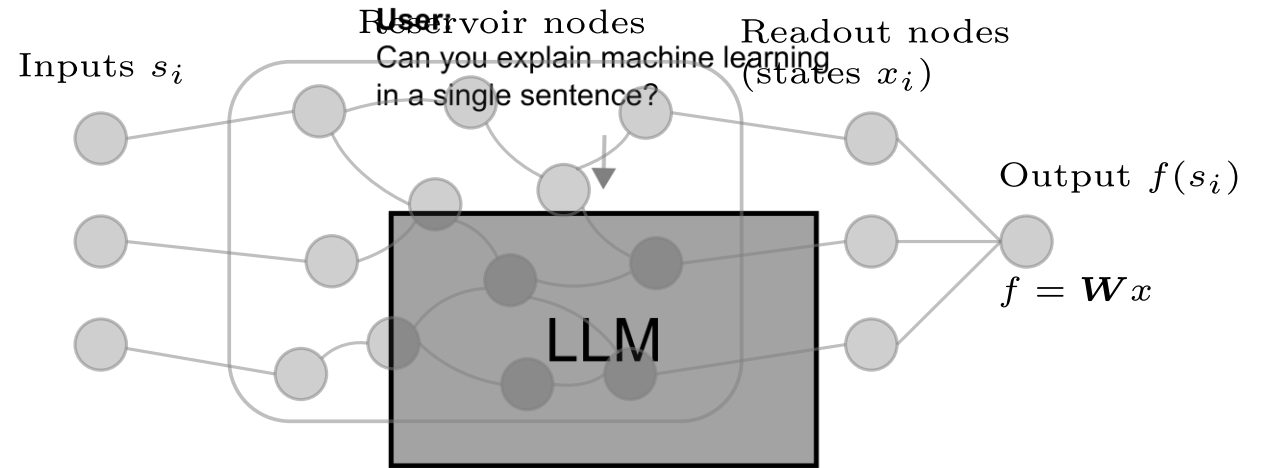
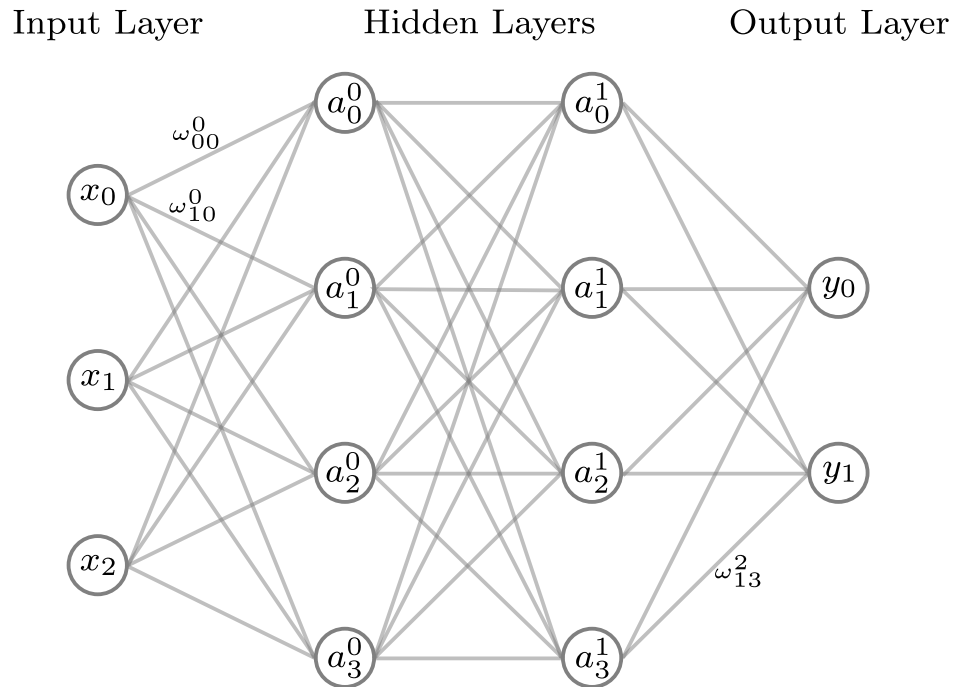
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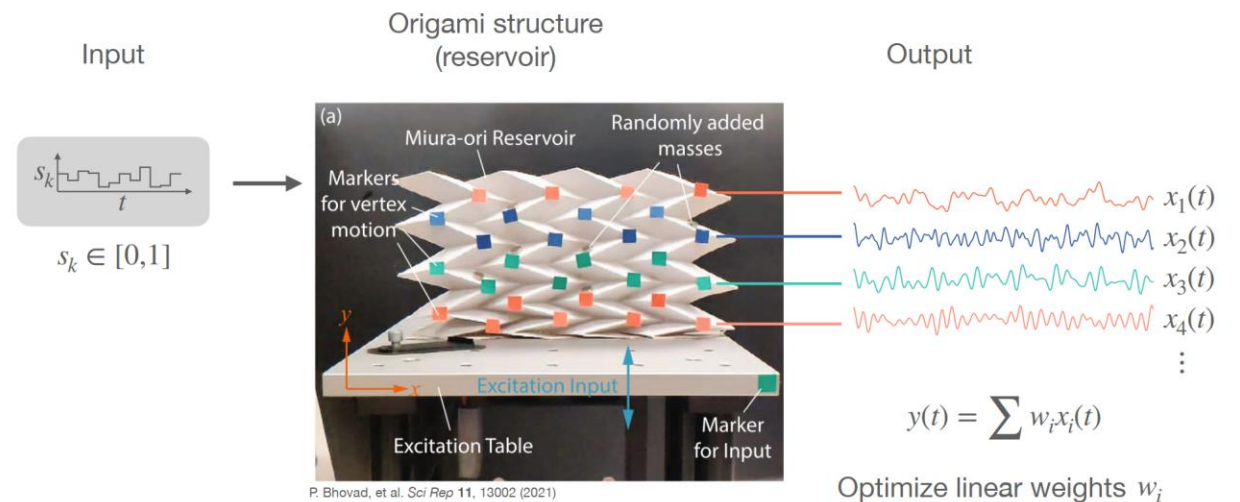
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# Machine learning and reservoir computing



- high energy consumption
- tedious to train



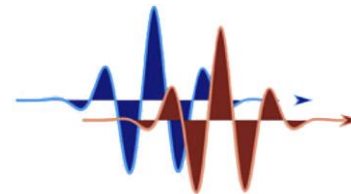
# Going quantum...

## ...quantum reservoir computing (QRC)

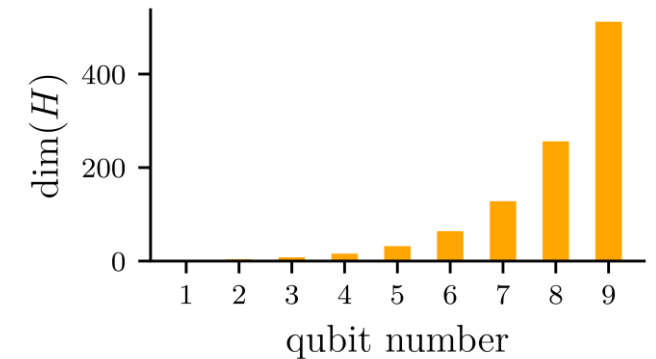
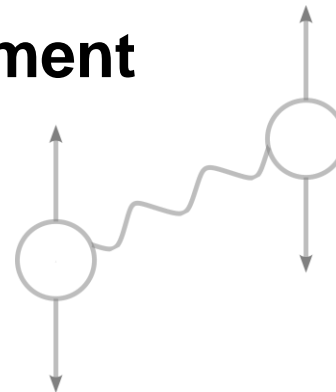
Possible advantages and functionalities of a **quantum** reservoir computer:

- feature maps into **exponentially large** phase spaces

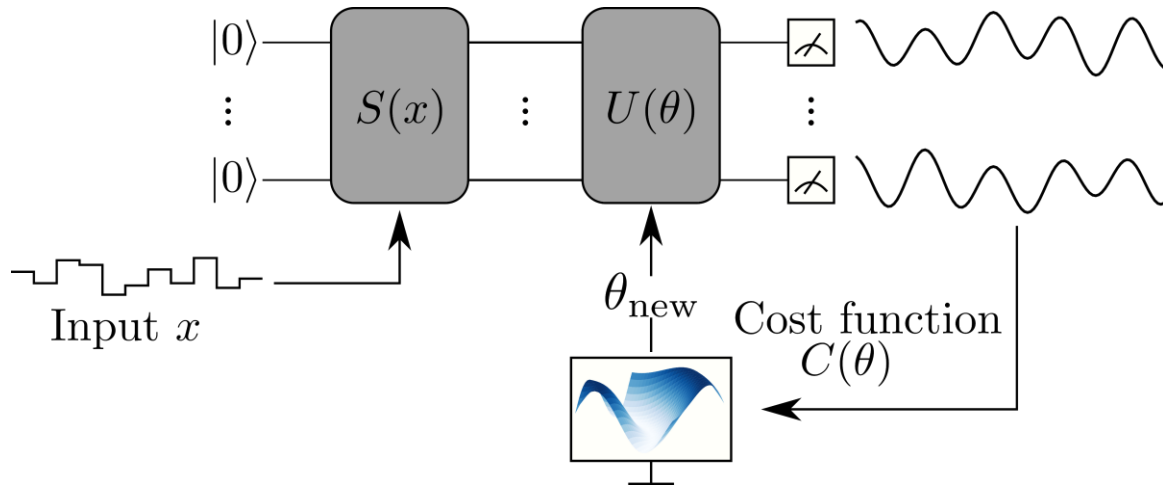
- native processing of **quantum input**



- non-classical correlations via **entanglement**

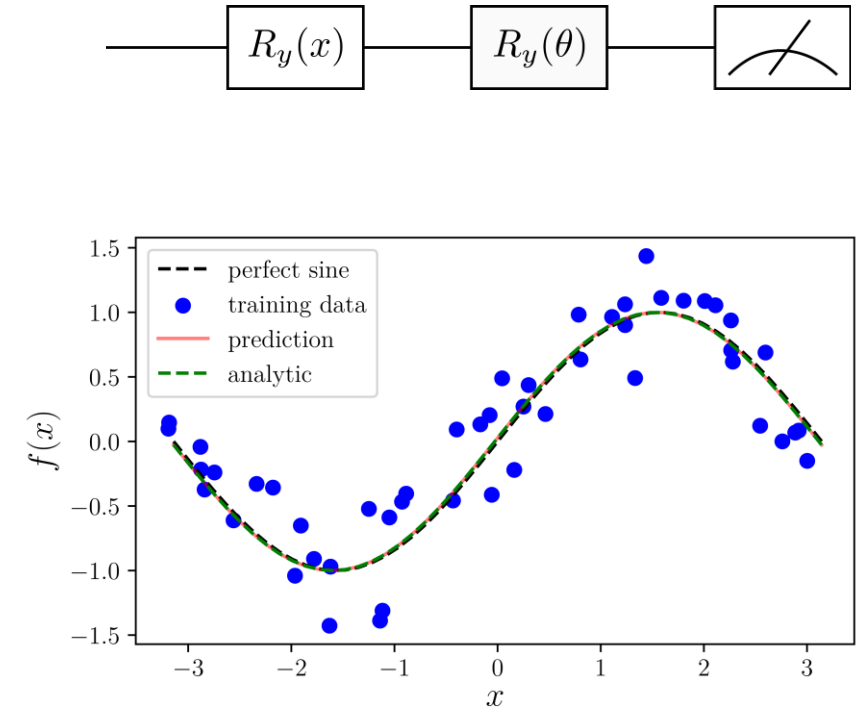


# Gate-based quantum machine learning

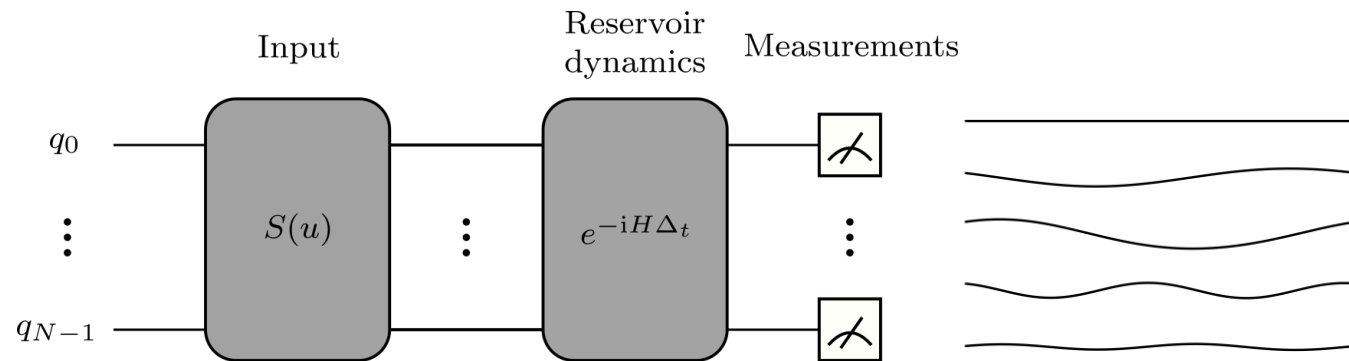
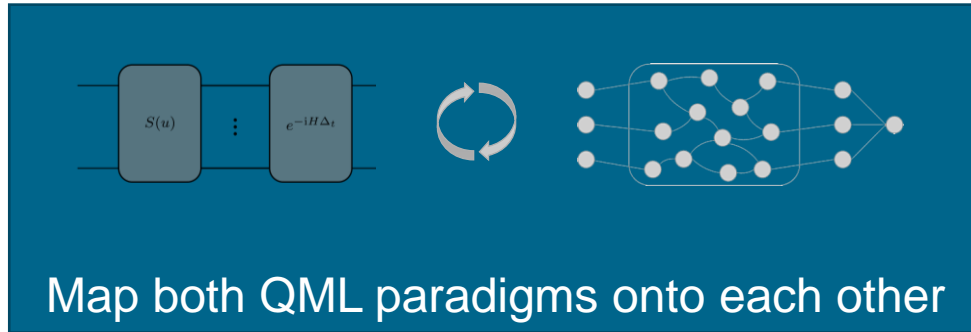


Hybrid approach combining classical optimization with a quantum circuit evaluation:

- parameterized quantum circuits (PQCs)
- training is done classically by minimizing a cost function
- small circuit depth: possible application of NISQ devices

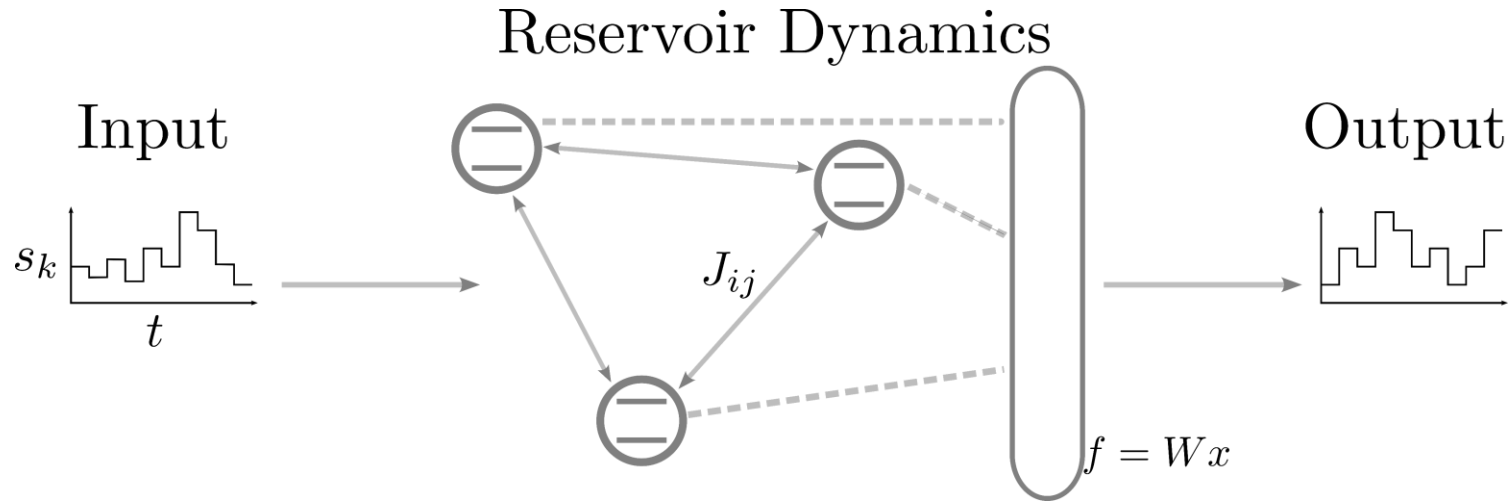


# Goals



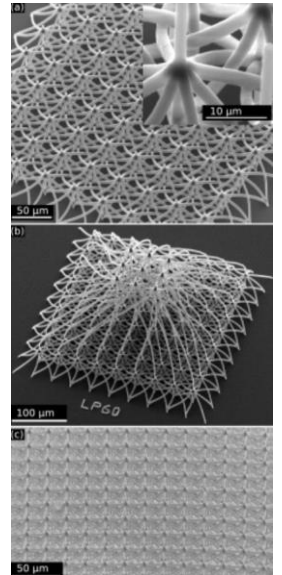
Quantify the expressivity of QRC

# Transverse-field Ising model (TFIM)

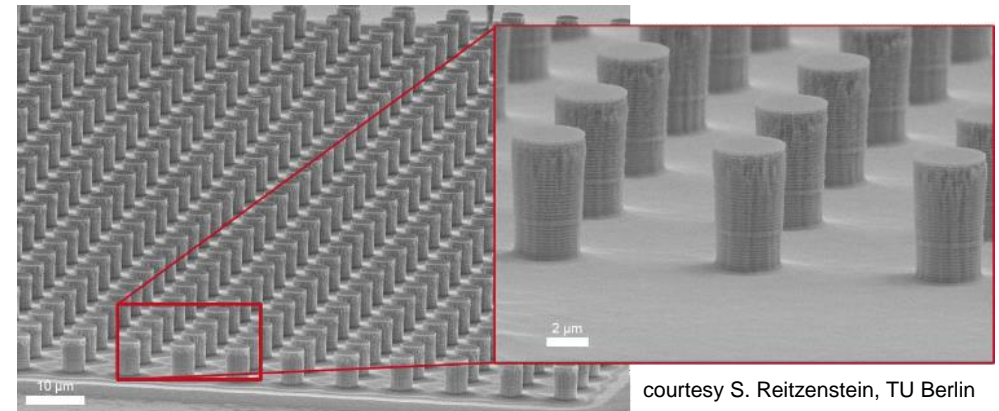


$$H = h \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_z^{(i)} + \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \sigma_x^{(i)} \sigma_x^{(j)}$$

$$U_{\Delta t} = e^{-iH\Delta t}$$



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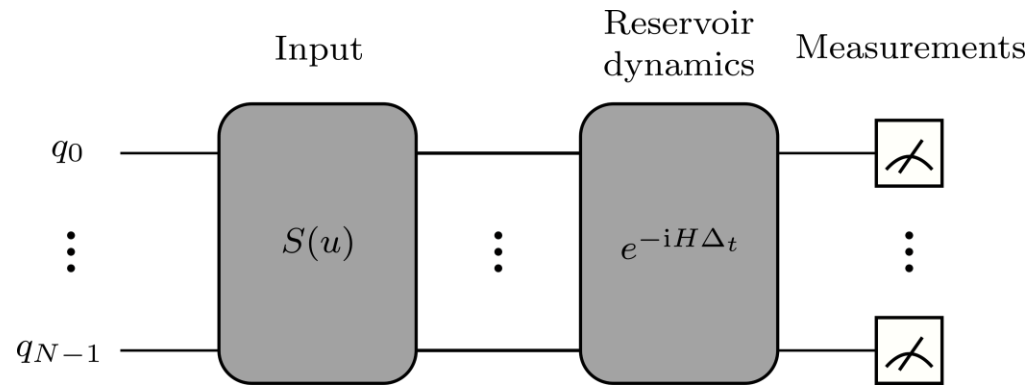


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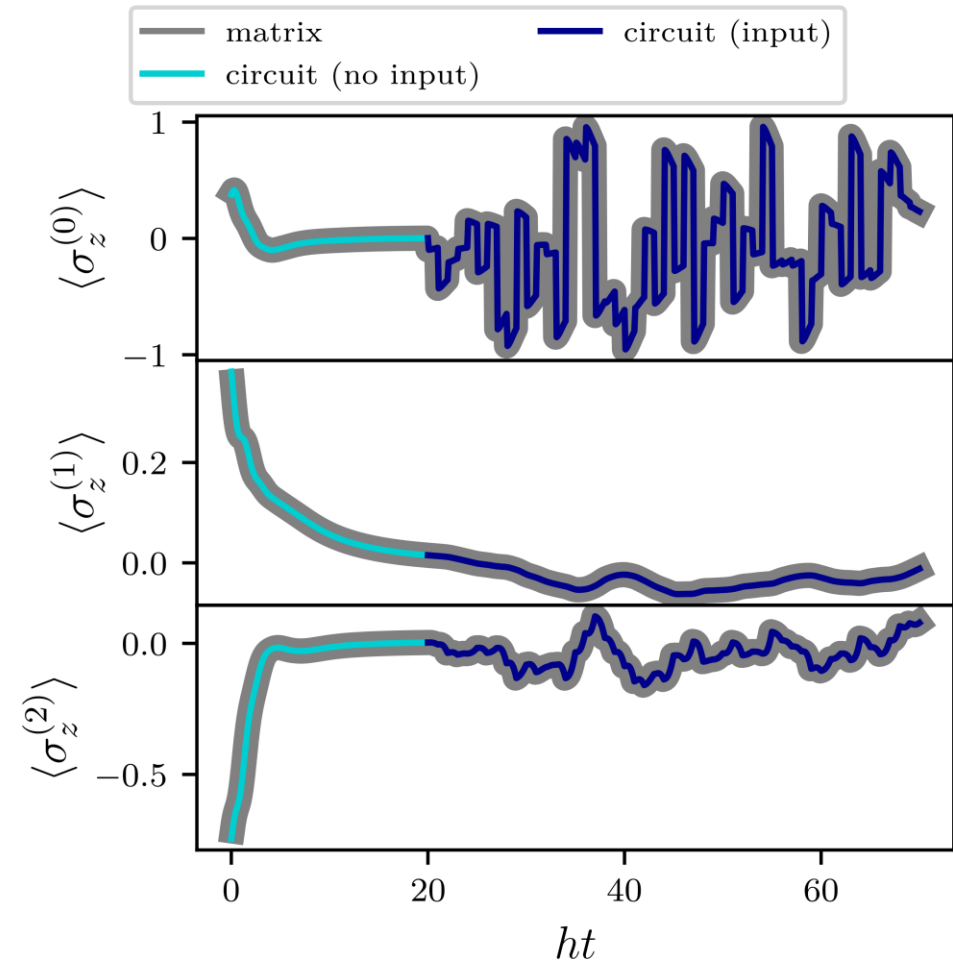
# Connection between QRC and gate-based QCs

$$U_{\Delta t} = e^{-iH\Delta t}$$

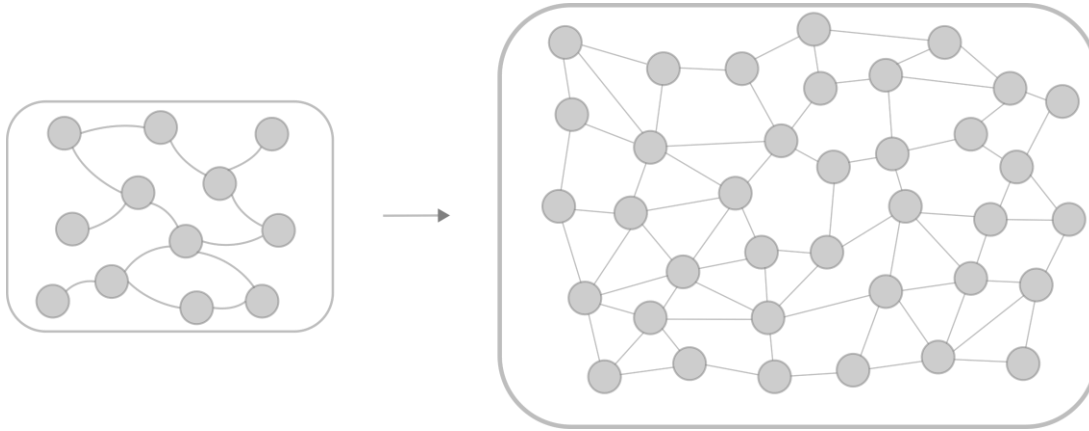
$$\rho \mapsto U_{\Delta t} \rho U_{\Delta t}^\dagger$$



Both approaches are equivalent and can be mapped onto each other



# Expressivity



**Classical reservoir:**  
increasing the size of the reservoir  
increases the available output  
function space

**Quantum machine learning models are  
truncated Fourier series**

$$f(u) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} c_{\omega} e^{i\omega u}$$

The available frequencies are determined  
by the input encoding gates

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**Effect of data encoding on the expressive power of variational quantum-machine-learning models**

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# What is the expressivity of a QRC?

*What do we find for QRC?*

- expressivity is limited by the number of input encoding gates
- larger reservoirs do not necessarily increase the available function space
- there are better ansatz circuits in QML as provided by the TFIM

*How can we quantify the expressive power in QML?*

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## Tackling Sampling Noise in Physical Systems for Machine Learning Applications: Fundamental Limits and Eigentasks


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## Resolvable expressive capacity (REC):

REC quantifies how many linearly independent functions a system can express

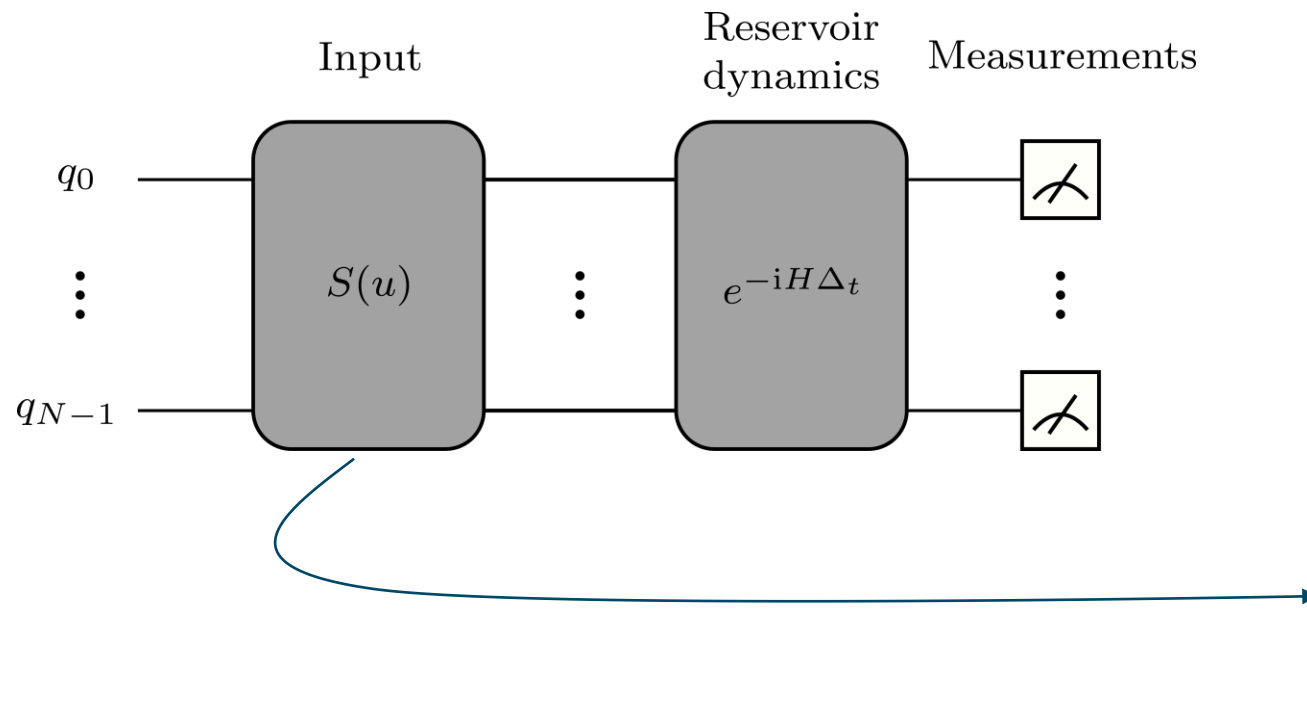
## Eigentasks:

Orthogonal functions that can be approximated by the system with minimal error

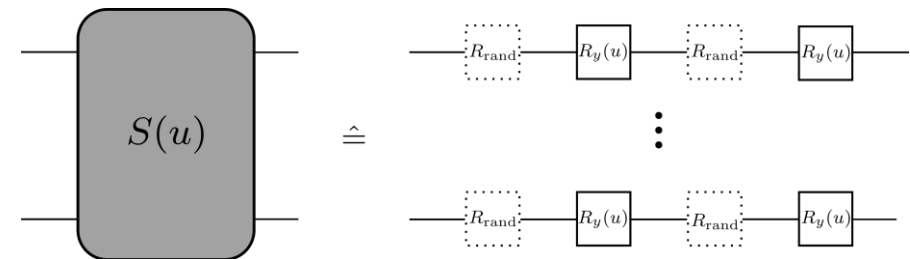
# Upper bounds for the expressivity

REC limited by the number of measured degrees of freedom [1]

REC in dependence on the input encoding:

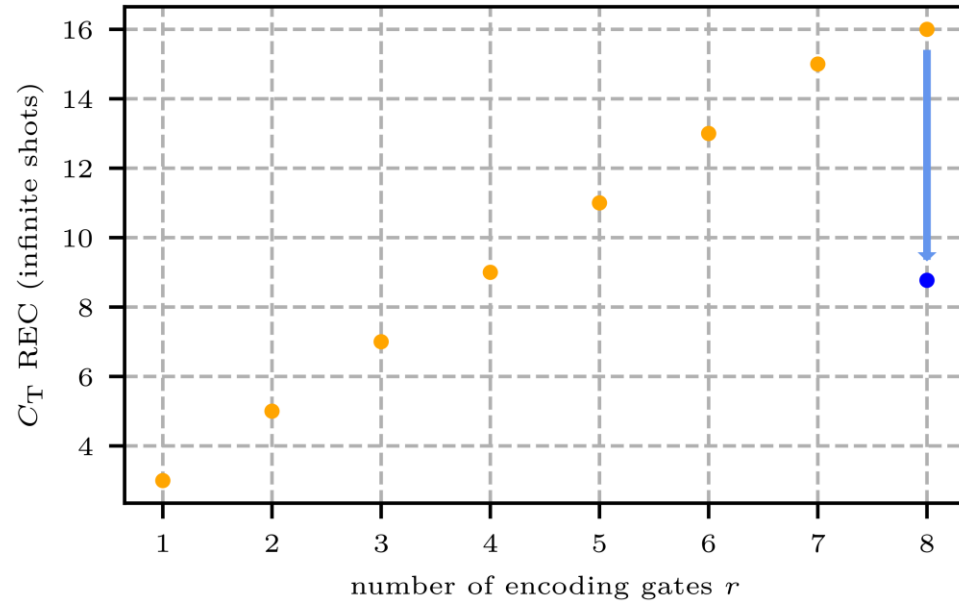


... using single qubit Pauli rotations as input encoding gates

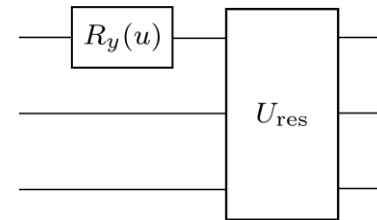


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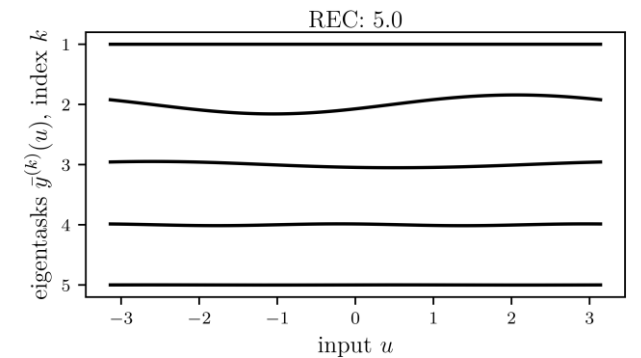
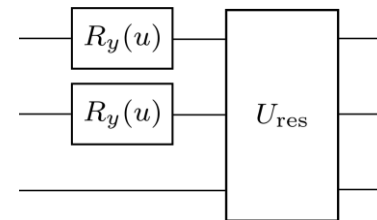
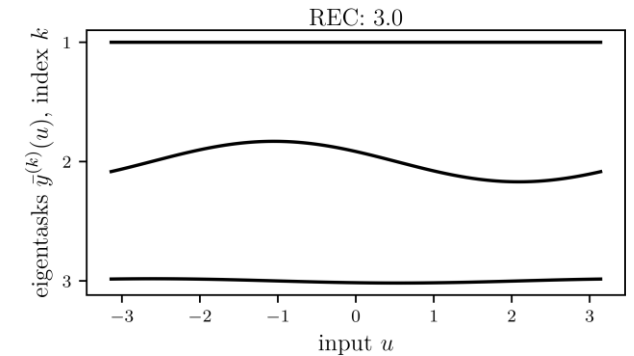
# Upper bounds for the expressivity



Infinite shots:



$$C_T = 2r + 1$$



$$f(u) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} c_{\omega} e^{i\omega u}$$

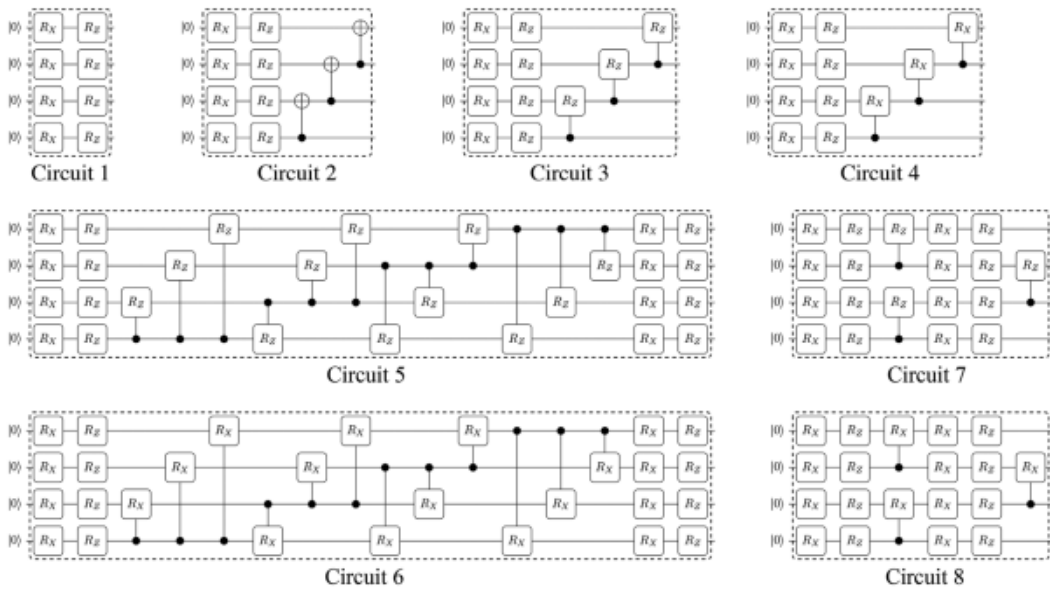
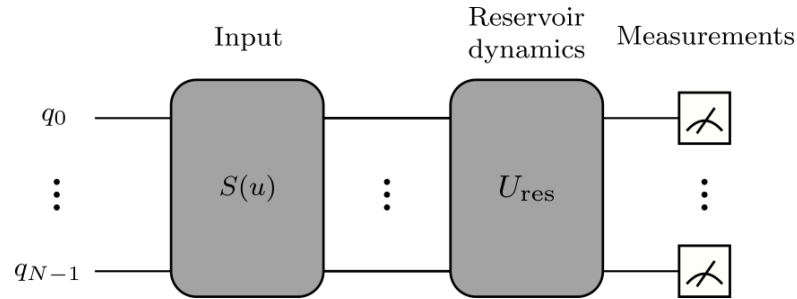
$$|\Omega| = 2r + 1$$

Finite shots (8 encodings):

$$C_T \approx 8.77$$

# REC of gate-based ansatz circuits

Idea: consider ansatz circuits as reservoirs in QRC



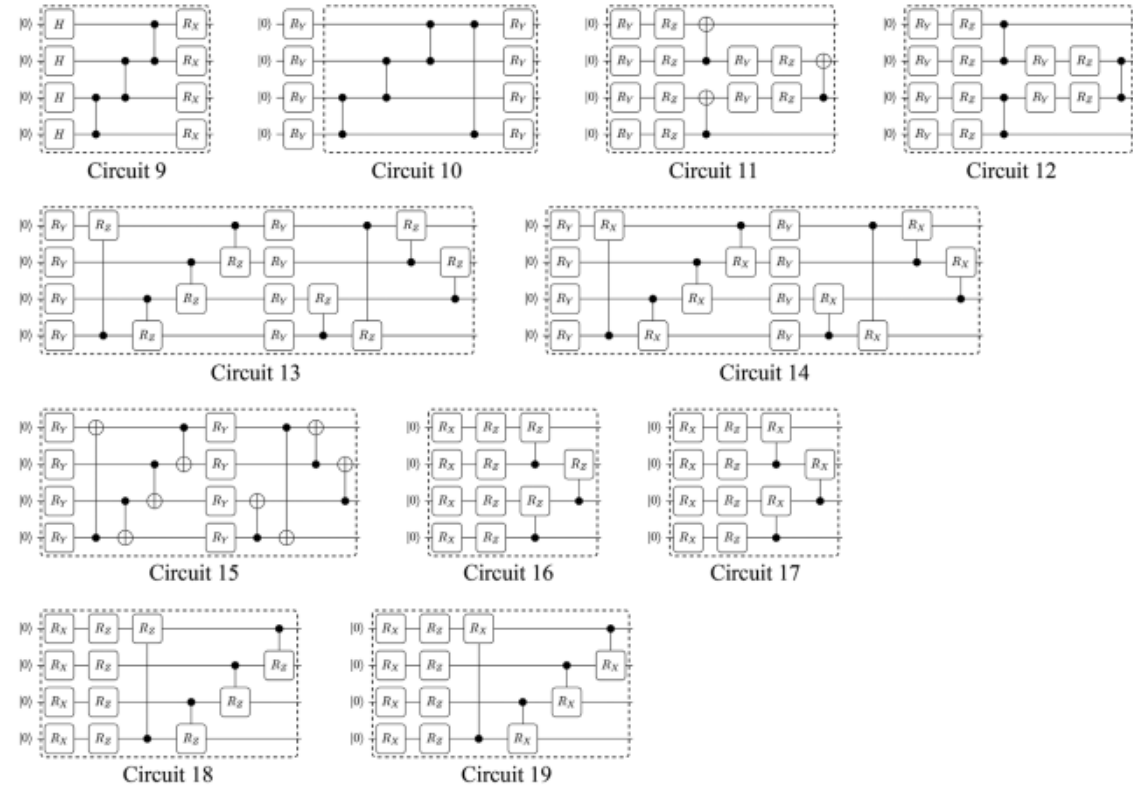
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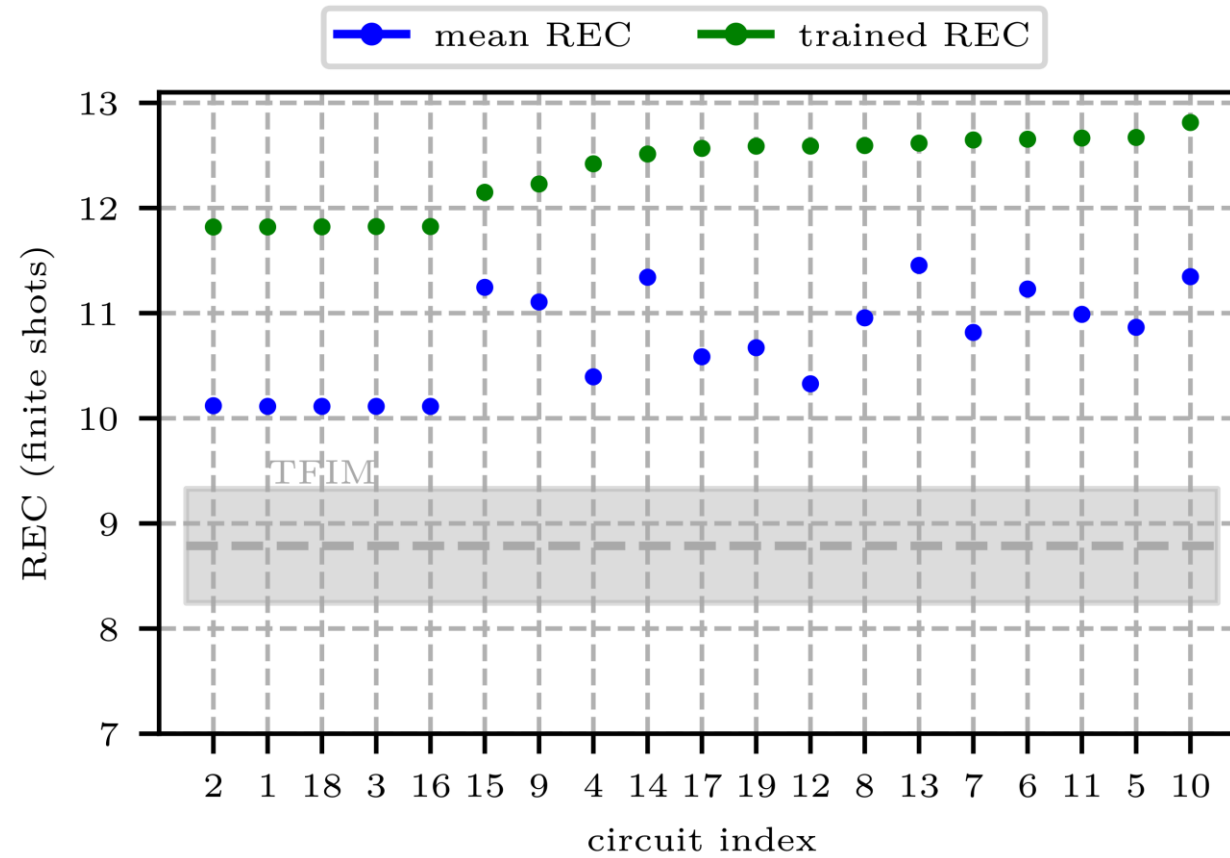
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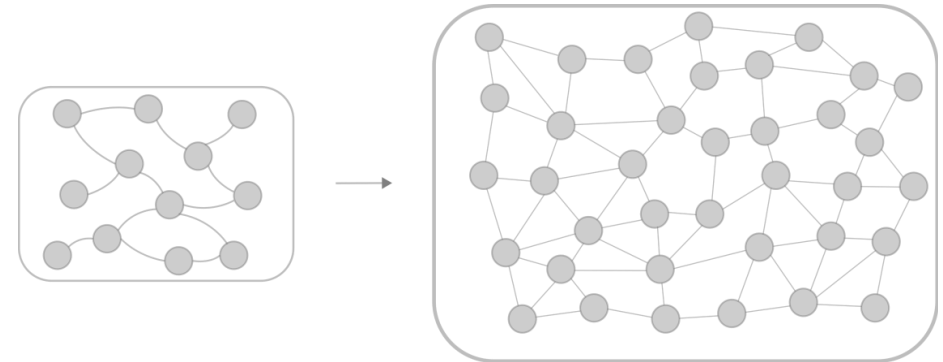
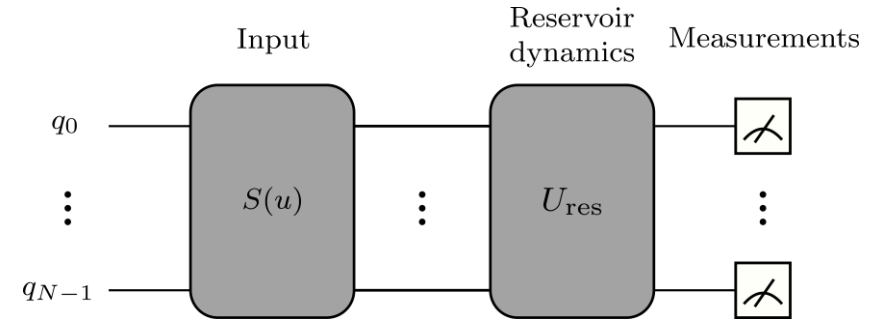
# REC of gate-based ansatz circuits



# Conclusion and Outlook

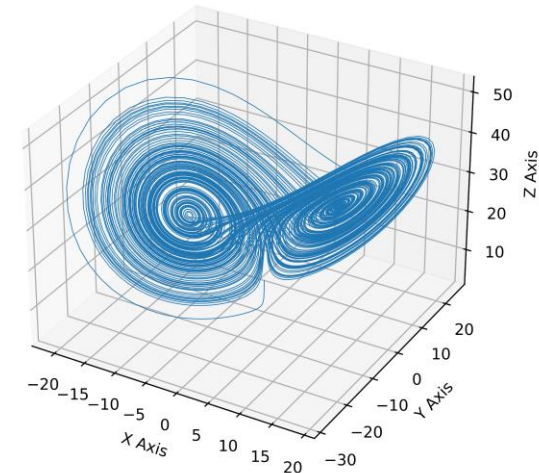
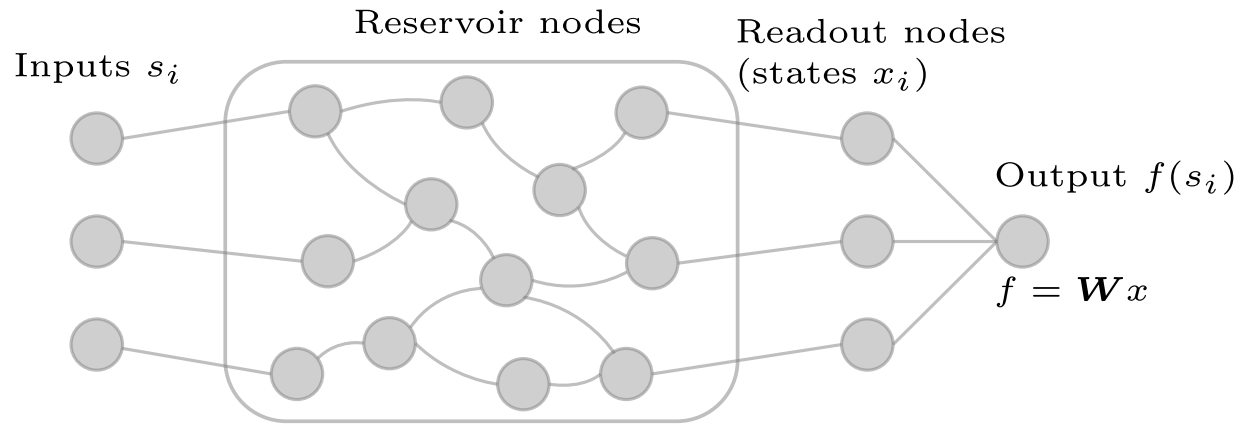
Expressivity in QRC is limited by the number of input encoding gates!

Increasing the size or complexity of the reservoir does not increase the available function space!

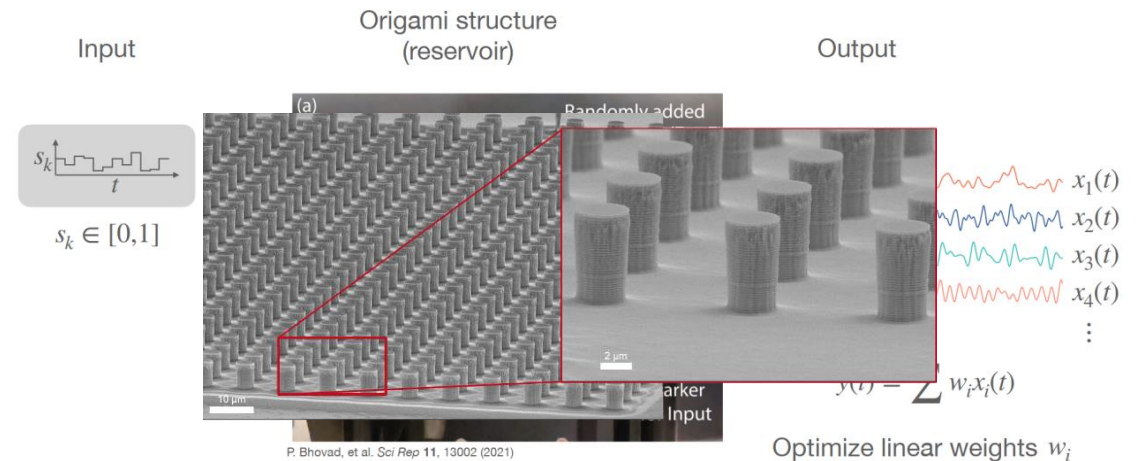


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# Machine learning and reservoir computing



- fixed internal weights
- only readout weights are trained
- often used for time series processing

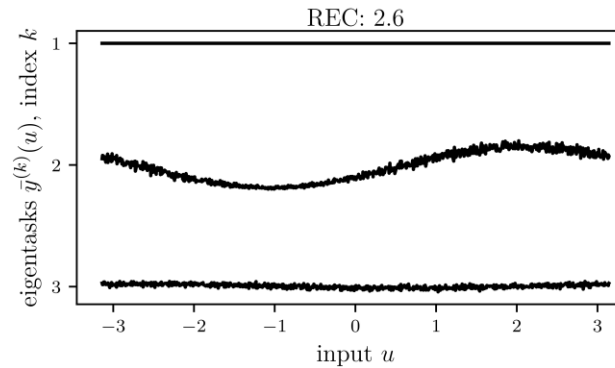
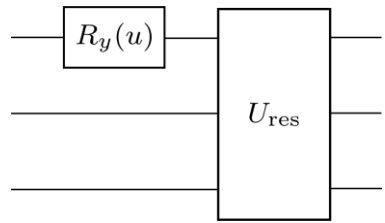


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# Influence of shot noise

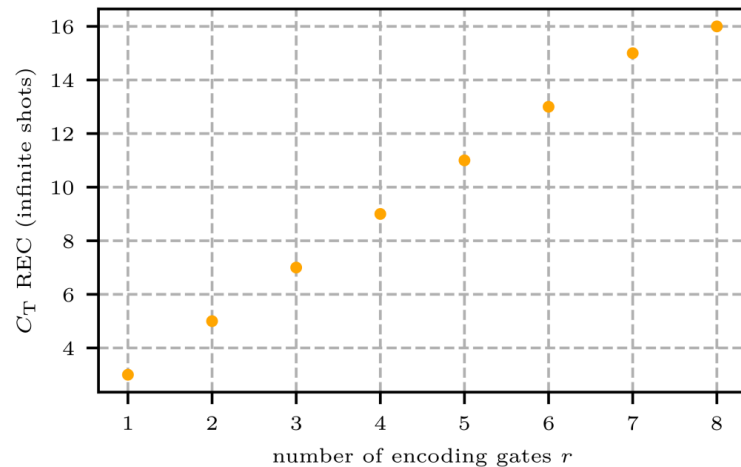
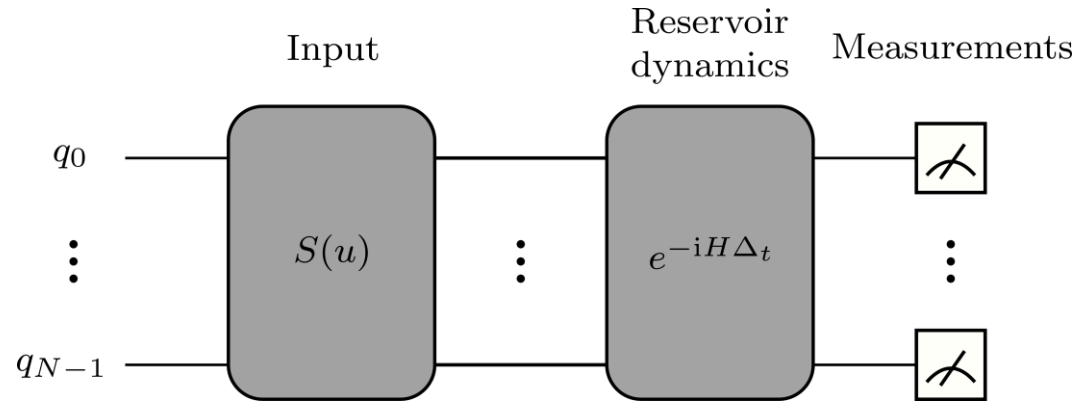
Measurement statistics increase the noise-to-signal ratios (NSRs) of the eigentasks reducing the REC



REC of the TFIM for finite shots:

$$C_T \approx 8.77$$

# Resolvable expressive capacity of the TFIM

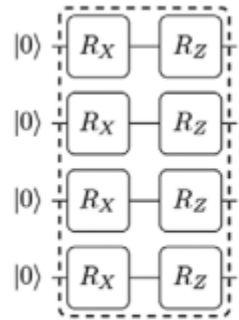


The time-evolution of the TFIM can produce the maximal number of orthogonal functions

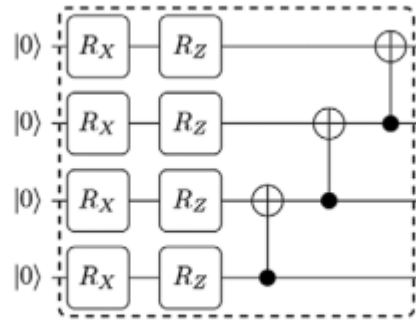
**But:** For now, we neglected the measurement statistics

REC of the TFIM for finite shots:  $C_T \approx 8.77$

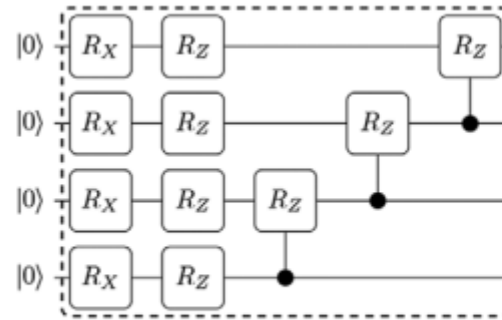
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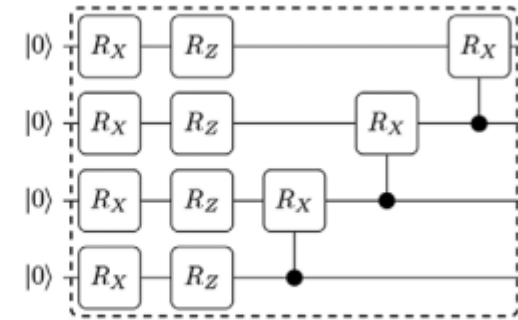
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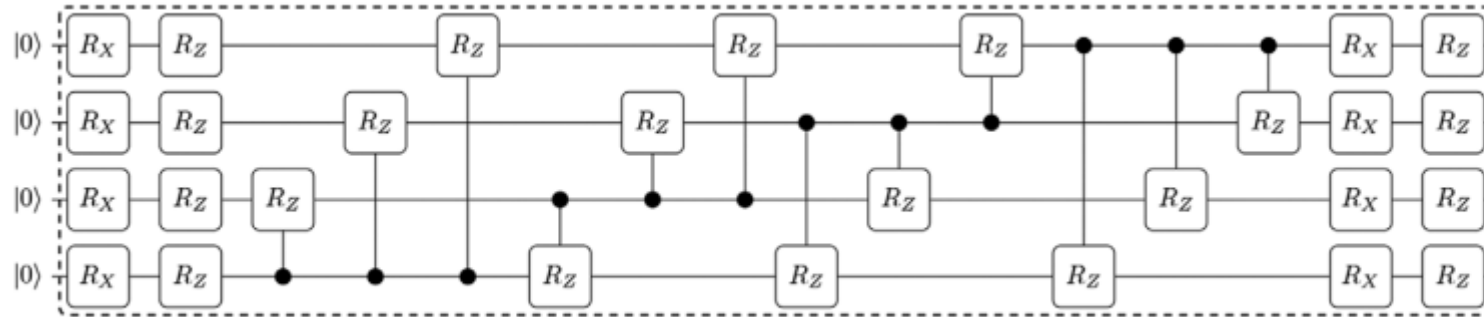
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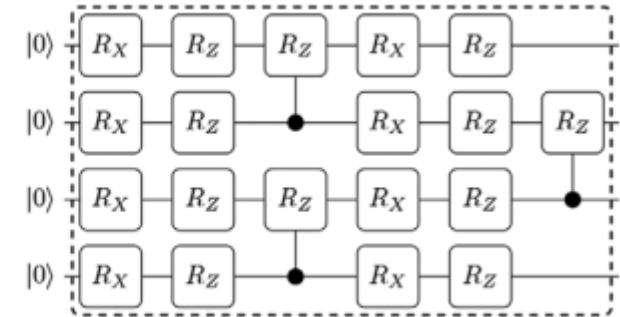
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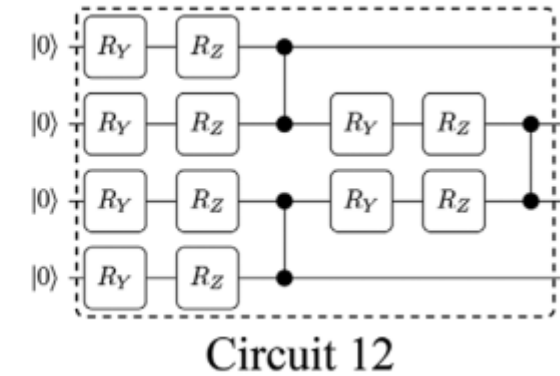
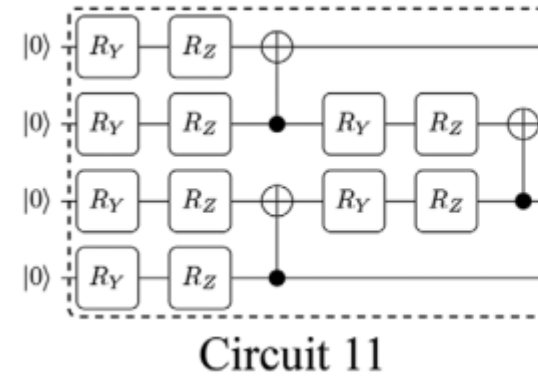
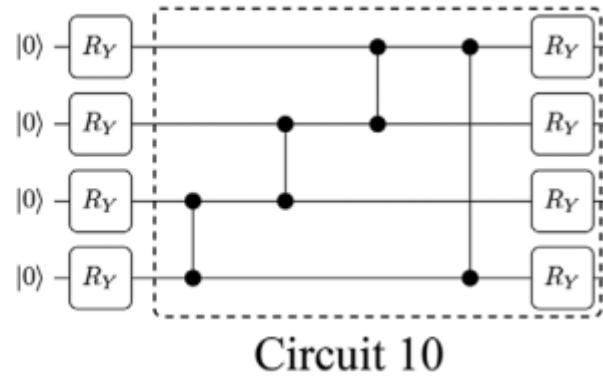
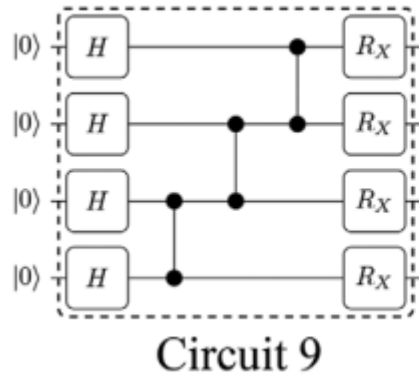
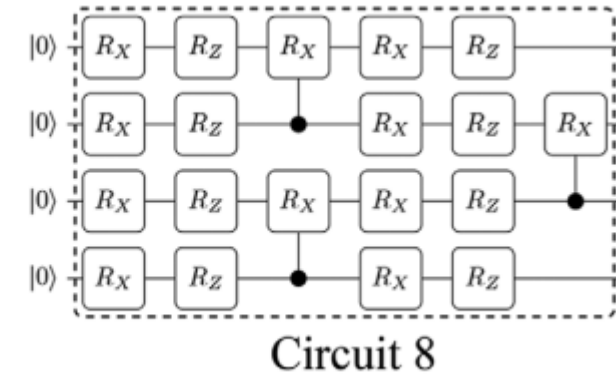
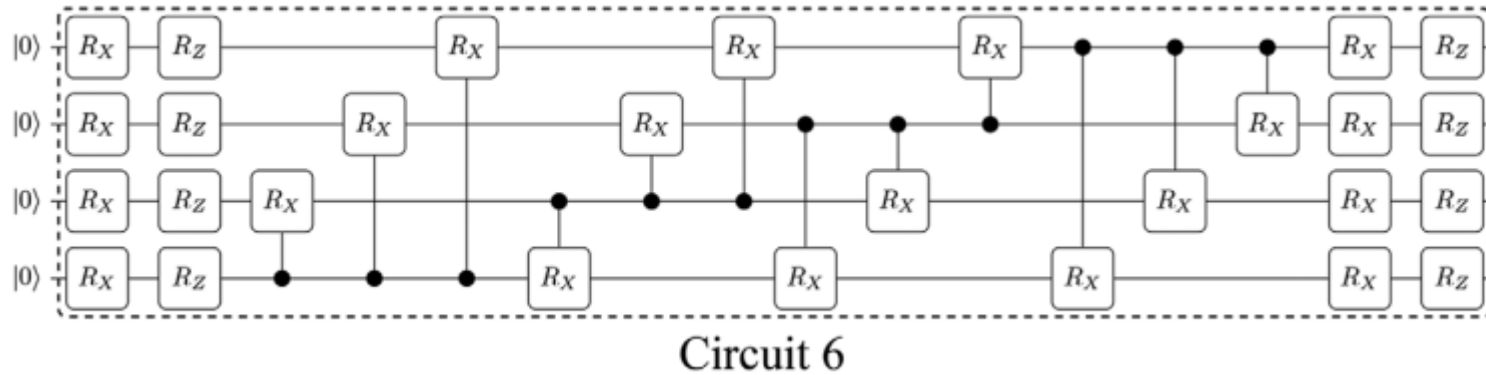
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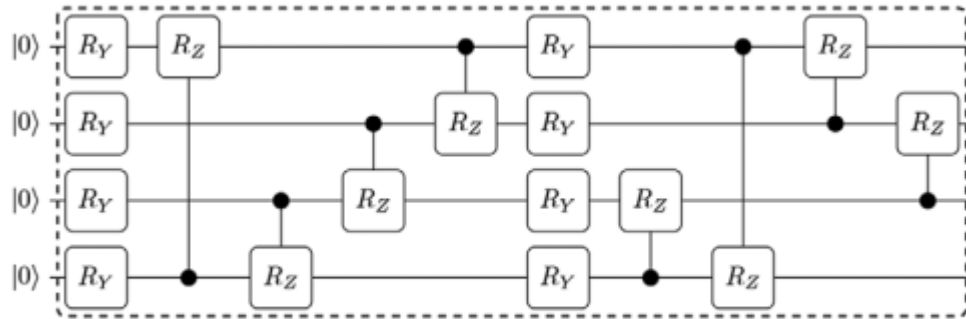
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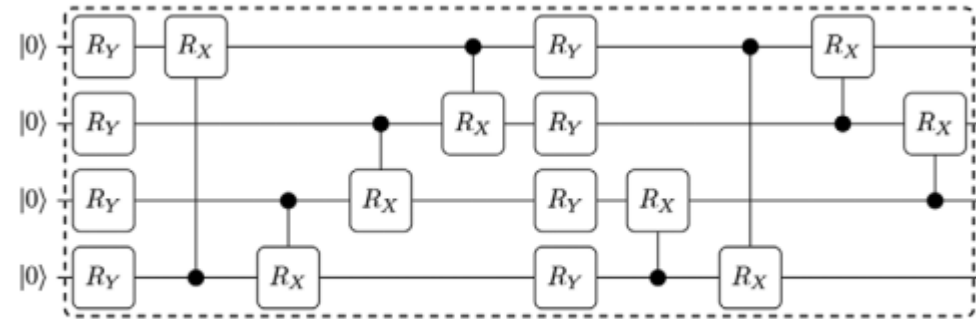


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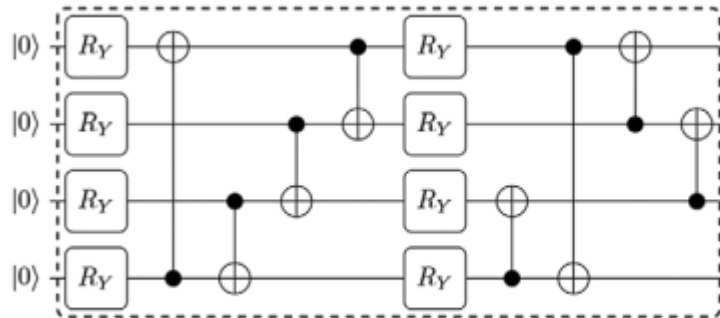
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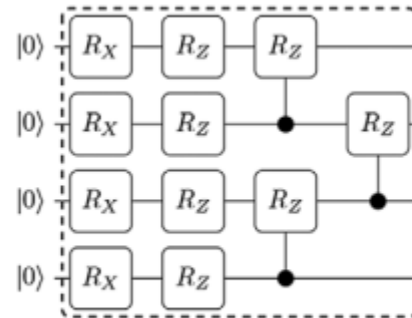
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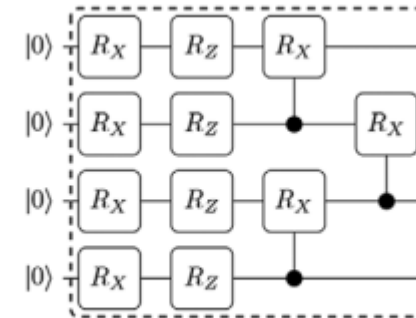
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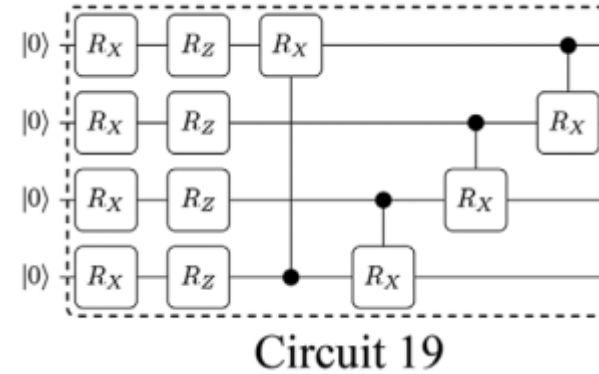
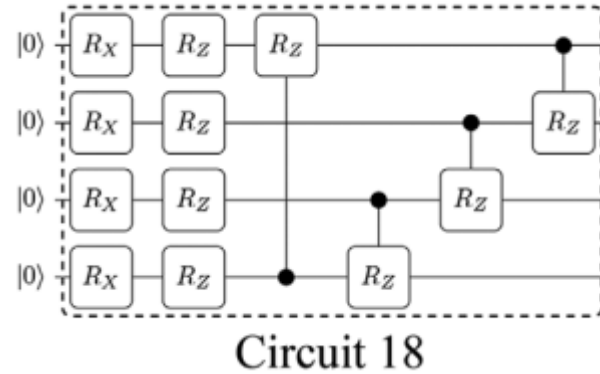
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