

QSCOUT: Continuously parameterized Mølmer-Sørensen gates for quantum computing circuits (Part II)

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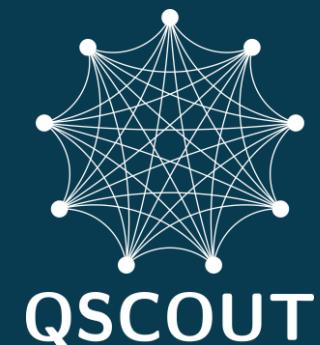
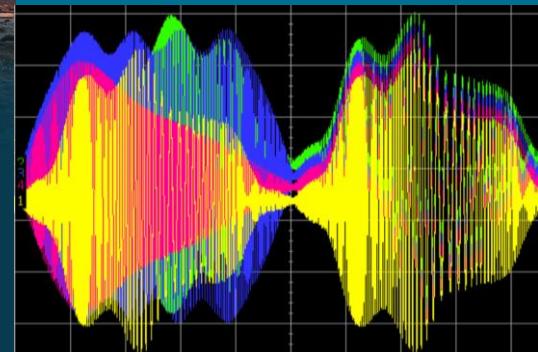
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Continuously Parameterized Mølmer-Sørensen Gates

- The MS gate has an entangling interaction of the form:

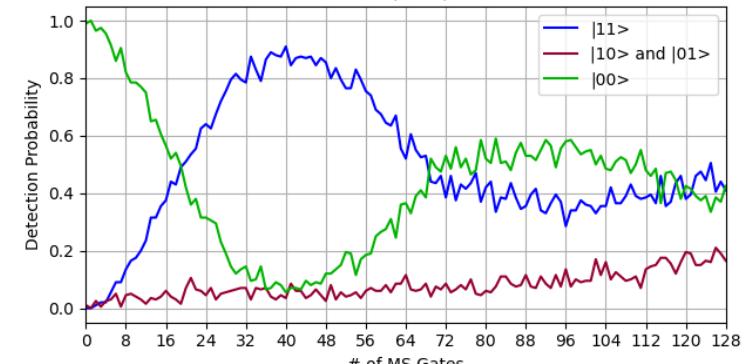
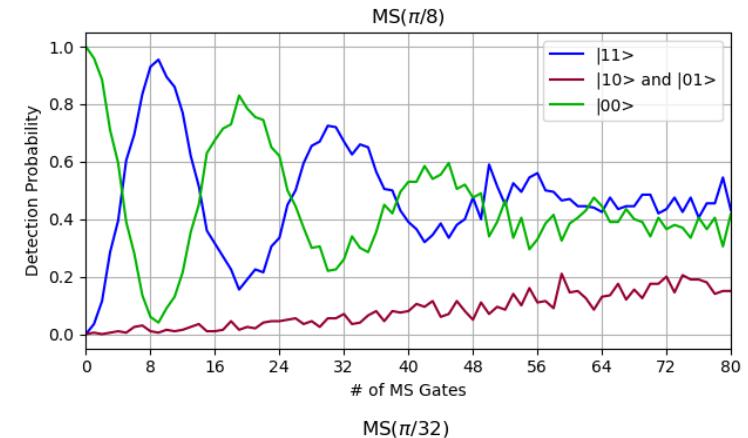
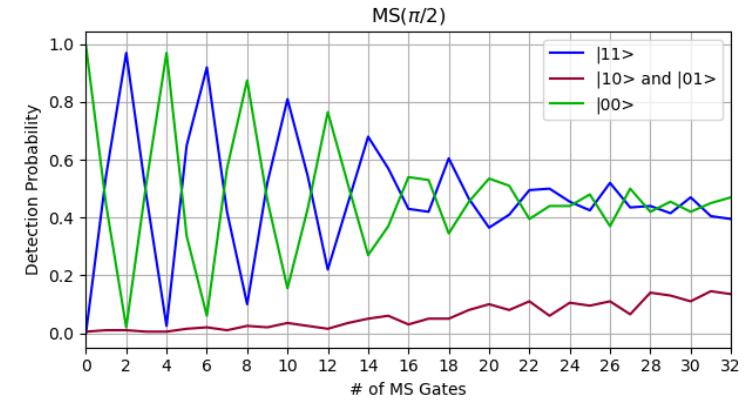
$$MS(\theta, \phi) = \exp \left[-i \frac{\theta}{2} (\cos(\phi) \sigma^x + \sin(\phi) \sigma^y)^{\otimes 2} \right]$$

- θ is related to the amount of entanglement from the gate

Enables:

- Reduction in quantum circuit depth
- Less error / more coherence per gate for smaller θ

- Most quantum computers have not previously offered arbitrary θ for the two-qubit gate (IonQ only offers $MS(\frac{\pi}{2})$, Quantinuum recently announced $MS(\theta)$)



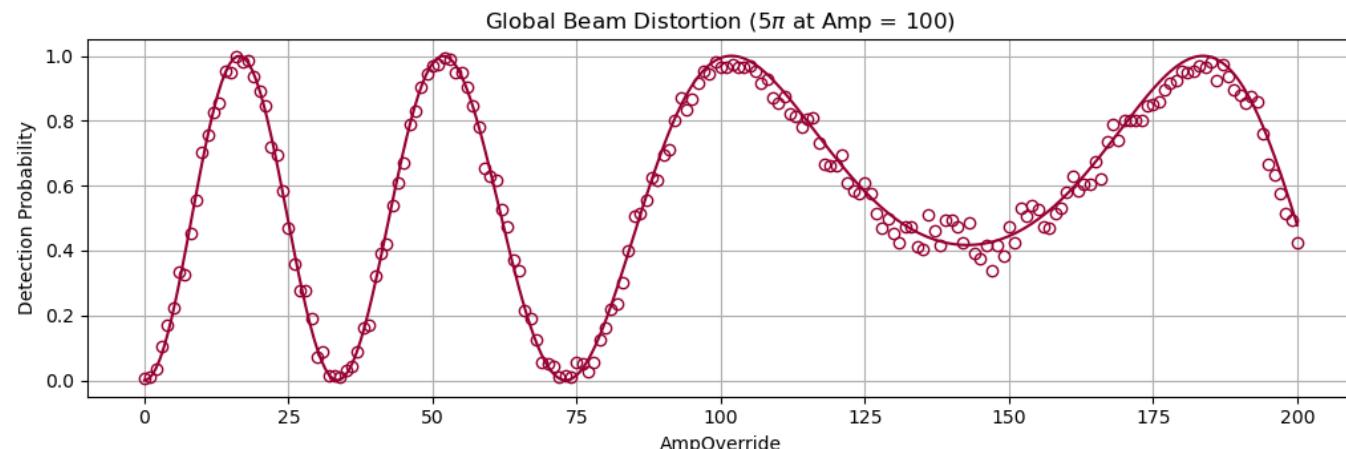
- How do we realize an arbitrary-angle $MS(\theta)$ gate?

- Global tone and two individual tones to form the needed red- and blue-detuned Raman transition
- All tones have a Gaussian pulse envelope to limit displacement errors [see B. Ruzic B67.00012 (this session)]
- To set the angular enclosure, we adjust the global beam power

Sources of Error:

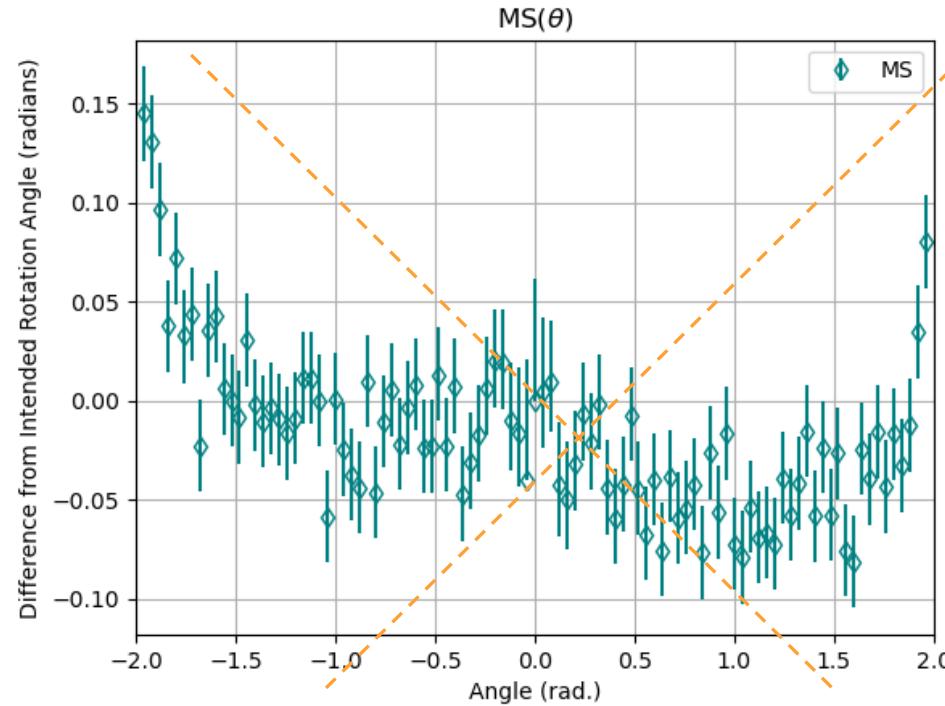
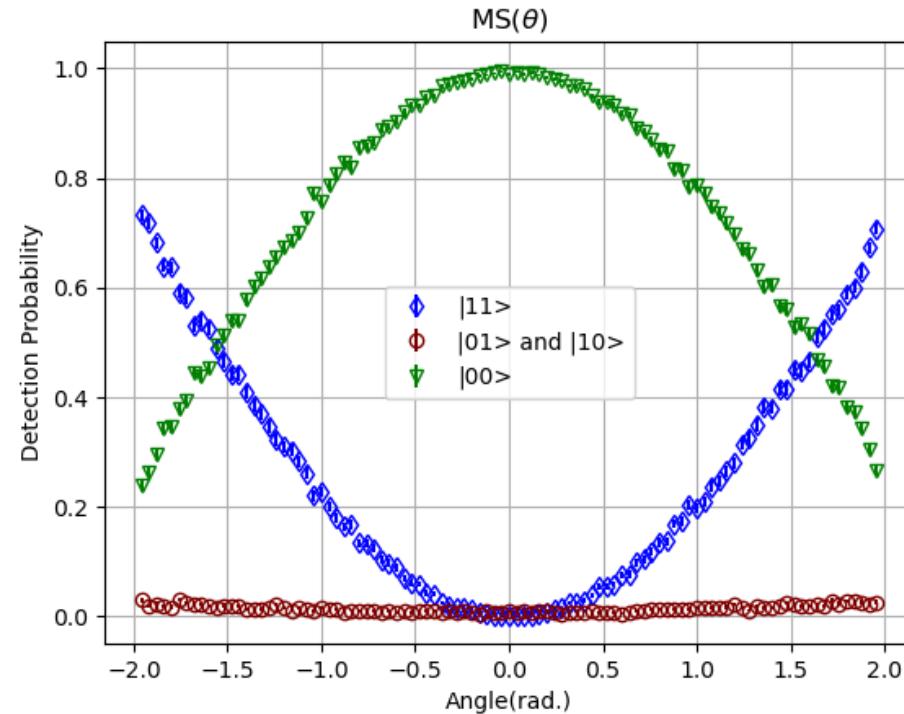
- $\delta\theta$ (coherent rotation errors) \rightarrow distortion/saturation in global beam control electronics
- $\delta\phi$ (coherent phase errors) \rightarrow resulting AC Stark shifts

Distortion correction



Residual Coherent Rotation Error on Arbitrary-Angle MS Gates

- Compensating for distortion and saturation effects, we can now scan the MS gate angle
- When we scan both negative and positive angles we find discrepancies across the deviation from expected rotation angle, and it appears negative gates rotate a little bit more.



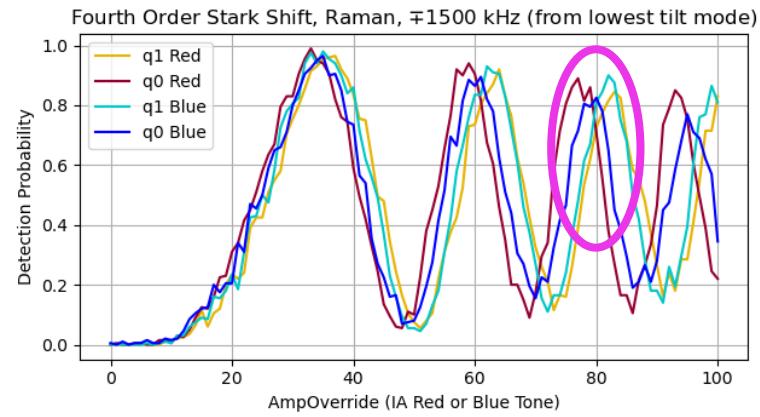
- This apparent discrepancy between positive and negative angles is related to the relative phase between the waveforms that make up the gate
- Coherent rotation error per gate, $\frac{\delta\theta}{\theta} \lesssim 0.10$

Possible solution?
Use phase-agnostic ZZ basis for MS gates

AC Stark Shift Cancellation for Arbitrary-Angle MS Gates

All lasers induce a power-dependent AC Stark shift, shifting energy splittings generating phase accumulation

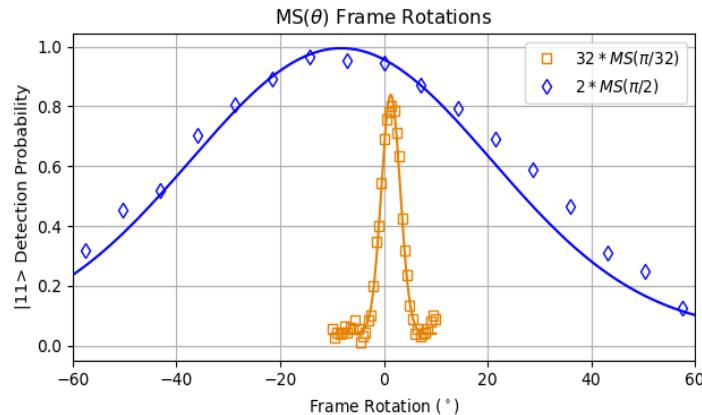
Inherent AC Stark Cancellation



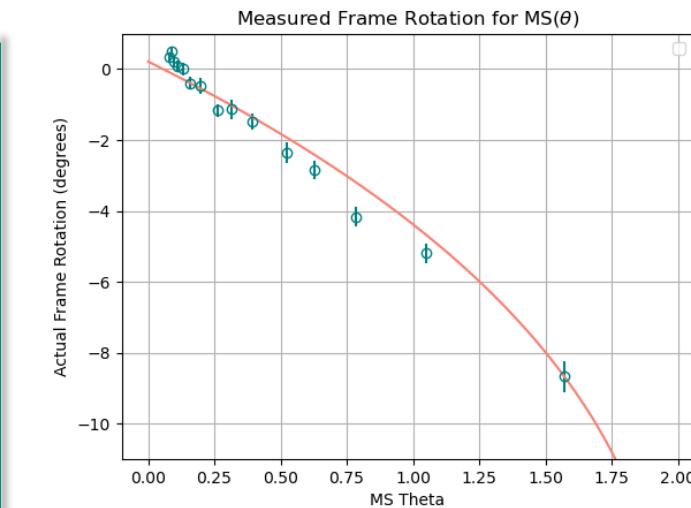
- Red- and blue- detuned Raman transitions from carrier dominate the Stark shift
- Differing signs allow for cancellation when magnitudes are matched for red/blue and across qubits

Residual AC Stark Correction

- Use a virtual Z rotation, or “frame rotation,” applied during the gate to effectively cancel residual phase accumulation



- To calibrate:
 - Stack $n * MS(\frac{\pi}{n})$ gates
 - Scan frame rotation
 - Find maximum $|11\rangle$ population



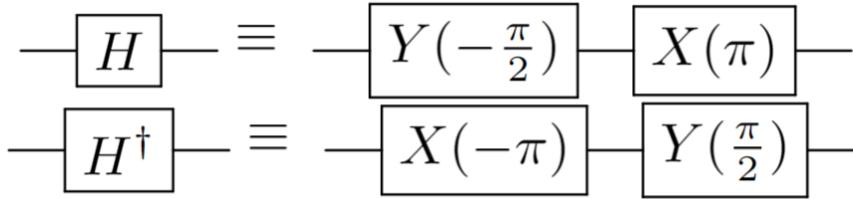
- We find the frame rotation for a variety of angles, and then use a simple relation (quadratic or cubic) to approximately deduce the needed rotation for any given gate
 - Coherent phase error: $\delta\phi \lesssim 1^\circ$ per gate

Hidden inverses \rightarrow unitary operators that are self-adjoints i.e. $G = G^\dagger$, but component gates are not self-adjoint

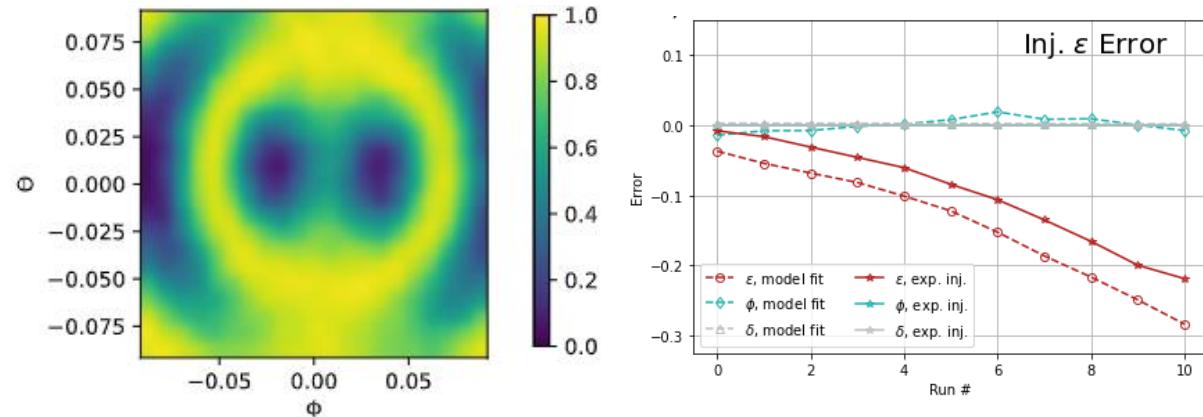
$$G = ABC$$

$$G^\dagger = C^\dagger B^\dagger A^\dagger$$

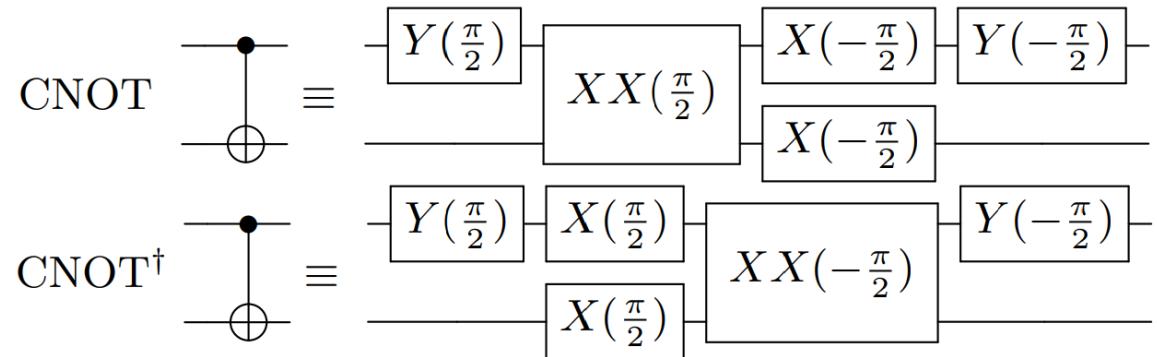
Hadamard



- We'll use the Hadamard and its inverse to **probe errors in the system**



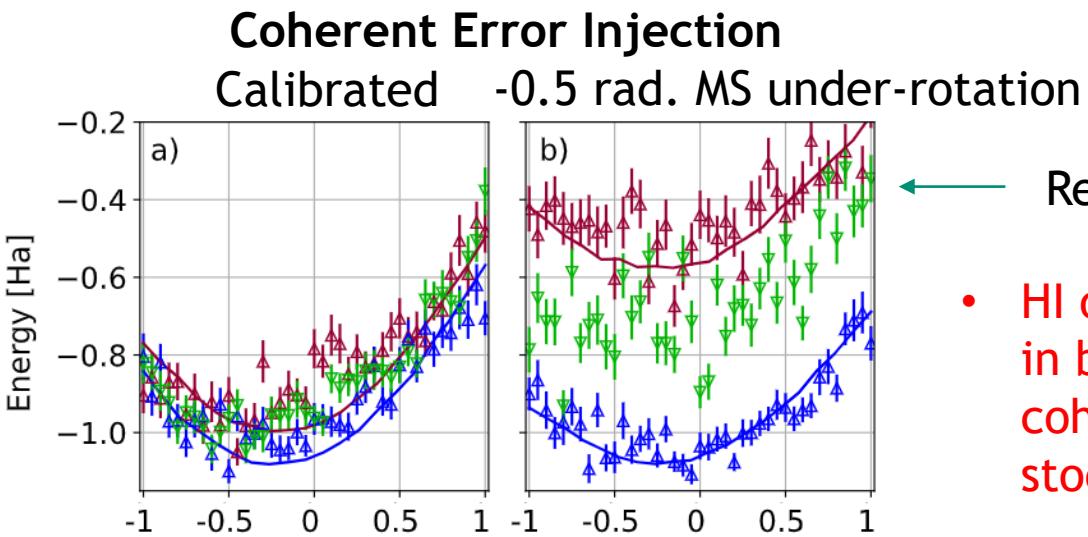
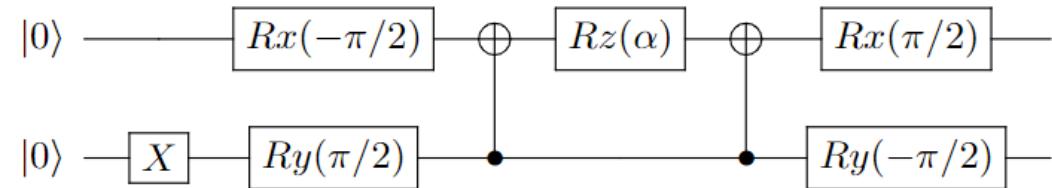
Controlled-NOT



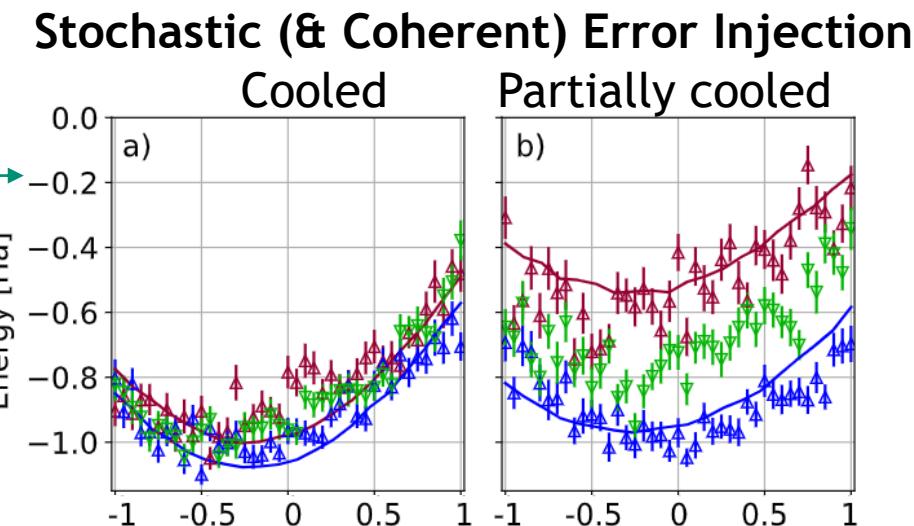
- We'll use the CNOT and its inverse in a simple variational quantum eigensolver (VQE) to **demonstrate its robustness to coherent errors**

Error Mitigation in VQE with HI

- Construct VQE with BK Ansatz under the following conditions:
 - Natural construction
 - Hidden inverse (second CNOT is CNOT^\dagger)
 - Randomized compiling (Pauli twirl around each CNOT)
- Compare robustness of approaches in the presence of injected error



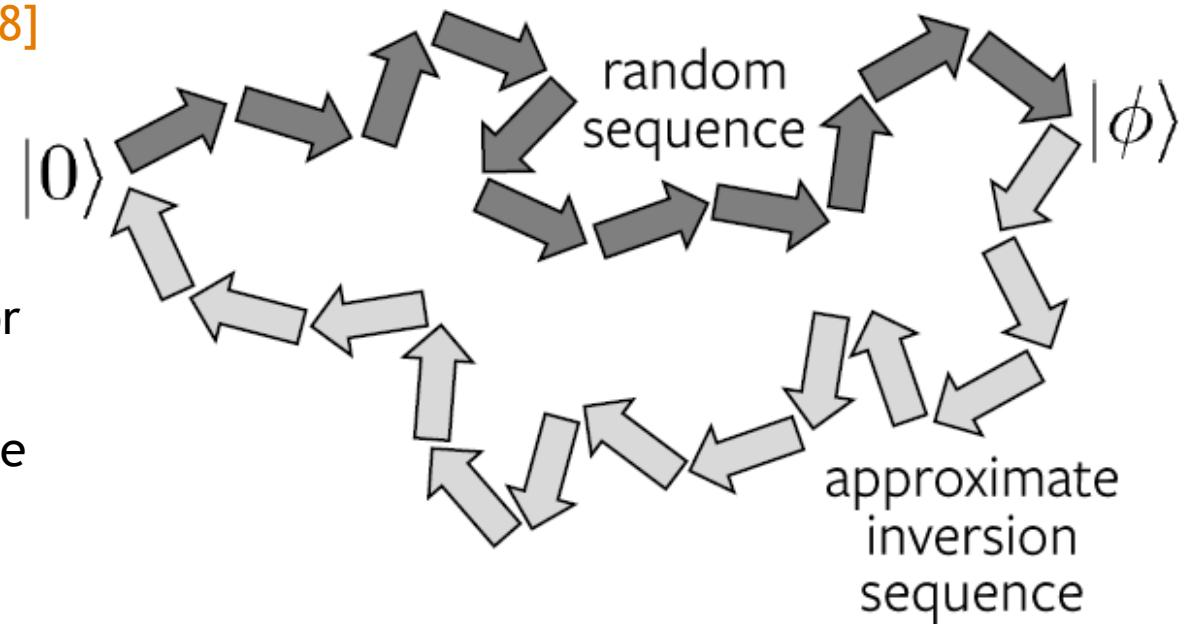
- HI outperforms RC in both contexts: coherent and stochastic errors



Constructing circuits with hidden inverses can be a powerful tool not only for mitigating coherent errors, but also for understanding them

Randomized Analog Verification [see R. Shaffer B72.00008]

- Related approach is cross-entropy benchmarking (XEB)
 - XEB: $|0\rangle \rightarrow |\phi\rangle$
 - RAV: $|0\rangle \rightarrow |\phi\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle$
- Inversion sequence generated via stochastic protocol for approximate quantum unitary compilation (STOQ)
- Each layer consists of continuously parameterized native gates:
 - $3 R(\theta, \varphi)$
 - $3 R_Z(\theta)$
 - $1 MS(\theta, \varphi)$

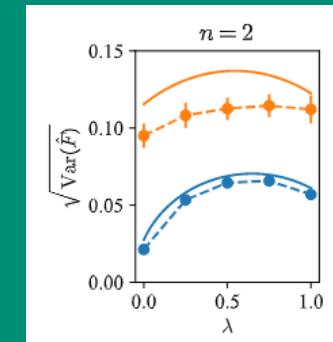


Depolarization Fidelity

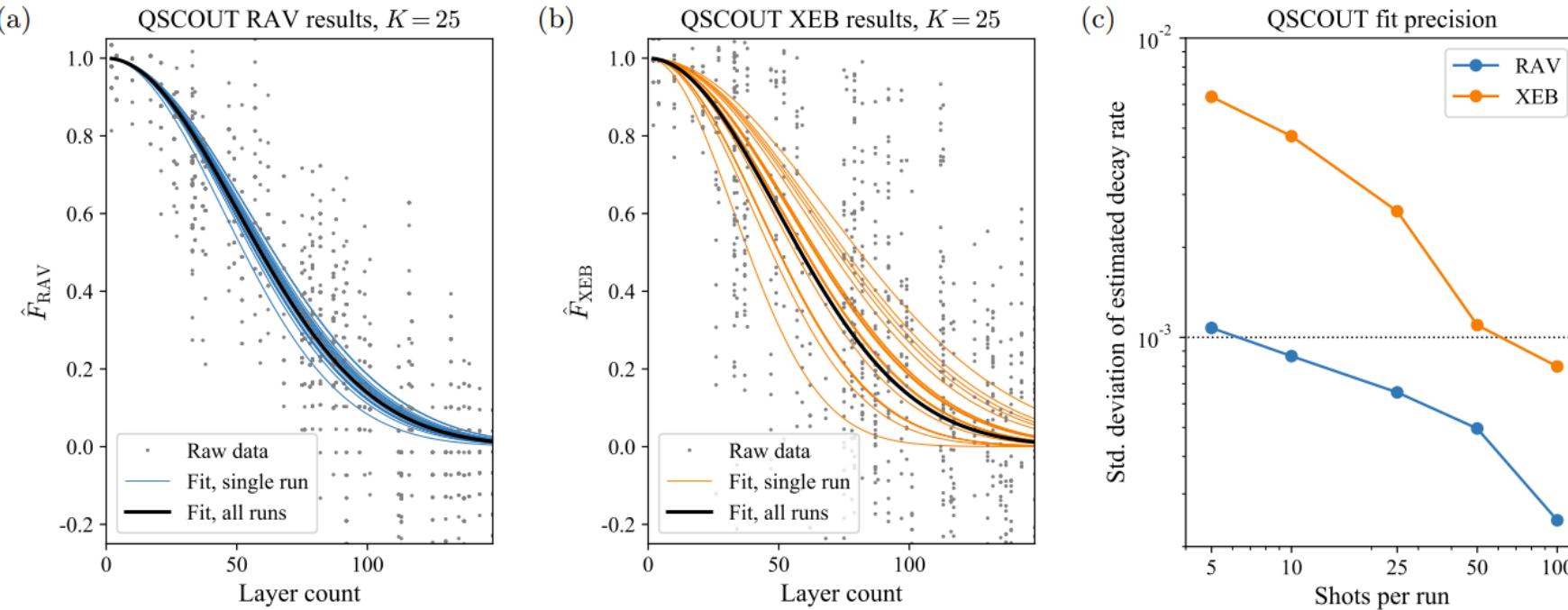
- Simulations suggest variance of \hat{F}_{RAV} is lower than variance of \hat{F}_{XEB}
 \rightarrow fewer shots required

$$\hat{F}_{RAV} = \frac{Q(x_0) - \frac{1}{N}}{P(x_0) - \frac{1}{N}} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \hat{F}_{XEB} = \frac{\sum_x P(x)Q(x) - \frac{1}{N}}{\sum_x P(x)^2 - \frac{1}{N}}$$

- Fidelity loss estimates are depolarization fidelity per layer



Experimental Demonstrations (QSCOUT)



- 500 total shots per sequence, with full shot-to-shot information
- Subdividing those into 20 groups of $K = 25$, fidelity loss estimate is:
 - RAV: $1.403 \times 10^{-2} \pm 0.065 \times 10^{-2}$
 - XEB: $1.399 \times 10^{-2} \pm 0.264 \times 10^{-2}$
- Subdividing shots yields RAV error rates 2.3-5.5x more precise than XEB

- Also run on IBM Q's *ibmq_manila*
- Non-native gateset for IBM Q → composite gates form $MS(\theta)$ gate
- Similar error rates to QSCOUT and precision improvements

RAV is a method to characterize QSCOUT's native continuously parameterized gateset with less benchmarking time to achieve the same level of precision as compared to XEB

- Continuously parameterized two-qubit gates provide a richer and more versatile gateset with smaller angle gates appearing to provide more coherence per gate

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- Amplitude and phase errors across the parameterized spectrum are mitigated in a variety of ways:
 - Amplitude: distortion correction
 - Phase: Red/blue Stark shift cancellation, frame rotation

- Applications

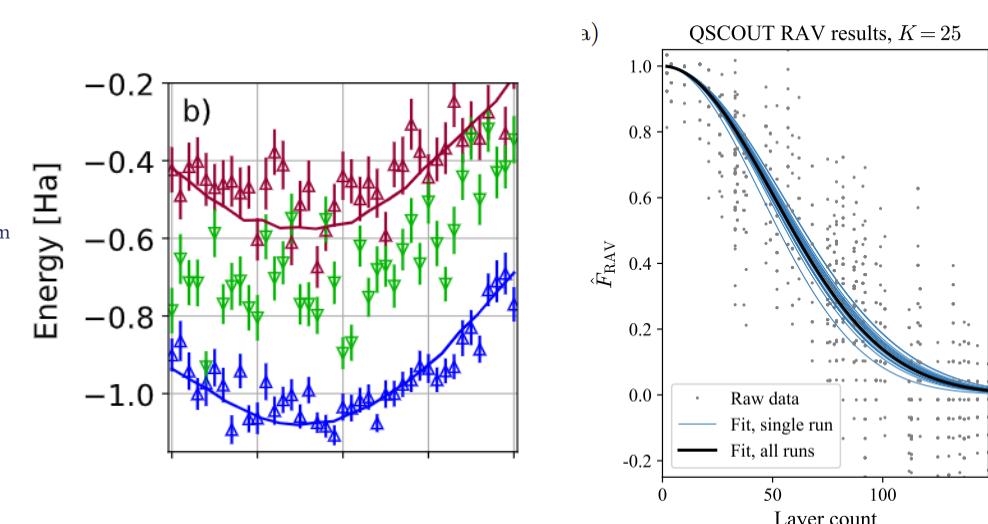
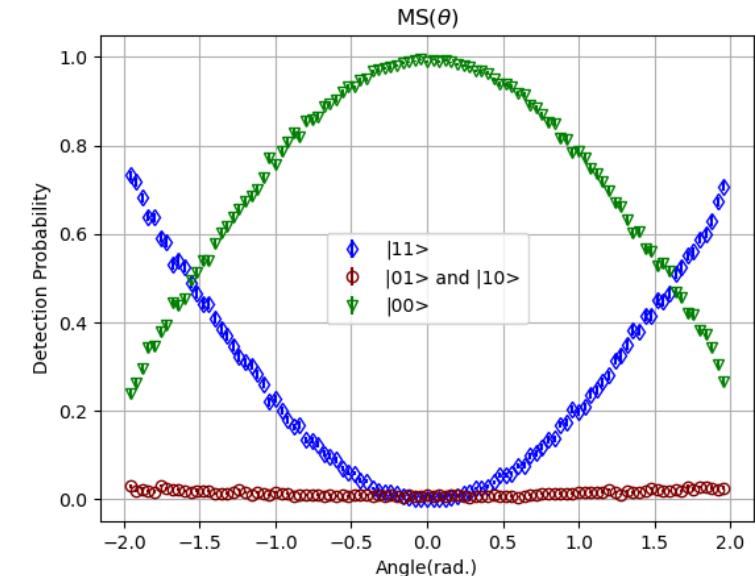
- Hidden inverses → used for injection two-qubit rotation errors

S. Majumder, *et al.*, arXiv:2205.14225 (2022)



- Randomized analog verification → designed to explore continuously parameterized native gatesets

R. Shaffer *et al.*, arXiv:2205.13074 (2022)



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- Mon: B67.00003, *A. Burch* (QSCOUT intro)
- Mon: B67.00004, *C. Yale* (MS(θ) gates)
- Mon: B67.00012, *B. Ruzic* (Freq-robust MS)
- Mon: B72.00008, *R. Shaffer* (RAV protocol)
- Thu: W64.00007, *O. Maupin* (0-noise extrap.)
- Thu: W64.00012, *D. Saha* (chemical dynamics)

