

# Towards a quantum LINPACK benchmark

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<https://github.com/qsppack/racbem>

# How many quantum computers will we need?

Finally we have a few quantum computers



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*I think there is a world market for maybe **five** computers.*

*–Thomas Watson, president of IBM, 1943*

*In 2019, there are around **2 billion** computers in the world (estimate).*

*Prediction is very difficult, especially if it's about the **future**.*

*–Niels Bohr (also attributed to others)*

Let us make some prediction: there will be say, 10000 quantum computers



# How to select the TOP500 quantum computers?

## First, how to do the job for classical supercomputers?

Rank	Site	System	Cores	Rmax (TFlop/s)	Rpeak (TFlop/s)	Power (kW)
1	RIKEN Center for Computational Science Japan	Supercomputer Fugaku - Supercomputer Fugaku, A64FX, 48C 2.2GHz, Tofu Interconnect D Fujitsu	7,299,072	415,530.0	513,854.7	28,325
2	DOE/SC/Dak Ridge National Laboratory United States	Summit - IBM Power System AC922, IBM POWER9 Z1C 3.07GHz, NVIDIA Volta DV100, Dual-rail Mellanox EDR InfiniBand IBM	2,414,592	148,600.0	200,794.9	10,096
3	DOE/NNSA/LLNL United States	Sierra - IBM Power System AC922, IBM POWER9 Z1C 3.1GHz, NVIDIA Volta DV100, Dual-rail Mellanox EDR InfiniBand IBM / NVIDIA / Mellanox	1,572,480	94,640.0	125,712.0	7,438
4	National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi China	Sunway TaihuLight - Sunway MPP, Sunway SW26010 260C 1.45GHz, Sunway NRCCPC	10,649,600	93,014.6	125,435.9	15,371
5	National Super Computer Center in Guangzhou China	Tianhe-2A - TH-1V6-FEP Cluster, Intel Xeon ES-2692v2 12C 2.2GHz, TH Express-2, Matrix- 2000 NUDT	4,981,760	61,444.5	100,678.7	18,482

## NEWS

### Japan Captures TOP500 Crown with Arm-Powered Supercomputer

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FRANKFURT, Germany; BERKELEY, Calif.; and KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—The 55th edition of the TOP500 saw some significant additions to the list, spearheaded by a new number one system from Japan. The latest rankings also reflect a steady growth in aggregate performance and power efficiency.

Rank	System	Performance (TFlop/s)	Power (kW)
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The new top system, Fugaku, turned in a [High Performance Linpack](#) (HPL) result of 415.5 petaflops, besting the now second-place Summit system by a factor of 2.8x. Fugaku, is powered by Fujitsu's 48-core A64FX SoC, becoming the first number one system on the list to be powered by ARM processors. In single or further reduced precision, which are often used in machine learning and AI applications, Fugaku's peak performance is over 1,000 petaflops (1 exaflops). The new system is installed at RIKEN Center for Computational Science (R-CCS) in Kobe, Japan.

## What is LINPACK? Why LINPACK?

<sup>1</sup><https://www.top500.org/>, 55th edition of the TOP500, June 2020

## LINPACK benchmark

- Interested in using supercomputers for **scientific computing** (instead of e.g. recognizing cats, but maybe now it is difficult to distinguish the two..)
- Solving linear systems: building block for numerous scientific computing applications
- LINPACK: Solve  $Ax = b$  with **dense, random** matrices. **No obvious applications. Supremacy?**
- Controversial over its effectiveness since early days. Alternative benchmarks have been proposed<sup>1</sup>. Still solving **linear systems** with some random sparsity patterns.
- Has been used to define TOP500 since its debut in 1993.
- **Quantum LINPACK benchmark?**

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<sup>1</sup>Why Linpack no longer works as well as it once did. (link)

# Climbing the Quantum Mount Everest



Quantum advantage

Quantum LINPACK benchmark

STEPS away 

Quantum supremacy

## Quantum linear system problem (QLSP)

- Use quantum computers to solve

$$|x\rangle \propto A^{-1} |b\rangle.$$

- How to get the information in  $A, |b\rangle$  into a quantum computer?  
**read-in problem.**
- $\kappa$ : condition number of  $A = \|A\| \|A^{-1}\|$ ;  $\epsilon$ : target accuracy.
- Proper assumptions on  $A$  (e.g.  $d$ -sparse) so that oracles cost  $\text{poly}(n)$ , while  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{2^n \times 2^n}$ . (Potentially) **exponential speedup.**

# Compare the complexities of QLSP solvers

Significant progress in the past few years: Near-optimal complexity matching lower bounds.

Algorithm	Query complexity	Remark
HHL,(Harrow-Hassidim-Lloyd, 2009)	$\tilde{O}(\kappa^2/\epsilon)$	w. VTAA, complexity becomes $\tilde{O}(\kappa/\epsilon^3)$ (Ambainis 2010)
Linear combination of unitaries (LCU),(Childs-Kothari-Somma, 2017)	$\tilde{O}(\kappa^2 \text{polylog}(1/\epsilon))$	w. VTAA, complexity becomes $\tilde{O}(\kappa \text{poly log}(1/\epsilon))$
Quantum singular value transformation (QSVT) (Gilyén-Su-Low-Wiebe, 2019)	$\tilde{O}(\kappa^2 \log(1/\epsilon))$	Queries the RHS only $\tilde{O}(\kappa)$ times
Randomization method (RM) (Subasi-Somma-Orsucci, 2019)	$\tilde{O}(\kappa/\epsilon)$	Prepares a mixed state; w. repeated phase estimation, complexity becomes $\tilde{O}(\kappa \text{poly log}(1/\epsilon))$
Time-optimal adiabatic quantum computing (AQC(exp)) (An-L., 2019, 1909.05500)	$\tilde{O}(\kappa \text{poly log}(1/\epsilon))$	No need for any amplitude amplification. Use time-dependent Hamiltonian simulation.
Eigenstate filtering (L.-Tong, 2019, 1910.14596)	$\tilde{O}(\kappa \log(1/\epsilon))$	No need for any amplitude amplification. Does not rely on any complex subroutines.

## Quantum benchmark problem

- All these algorithms require full fault-tolerant computers to get **anywhere**.
- Getting the matrix into quantum computer alone (using e.g. LCU) can be **prohibitively expensive** on near-term devices.
- Will likely remain so for some time **for real applications**.
- Quantum LINPACK benchmark is **different**: do we really need / want to generate random numbers classically and get them into quantum computers say via QRAM?

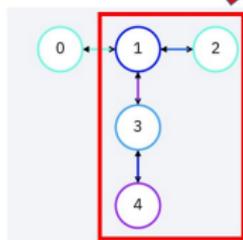
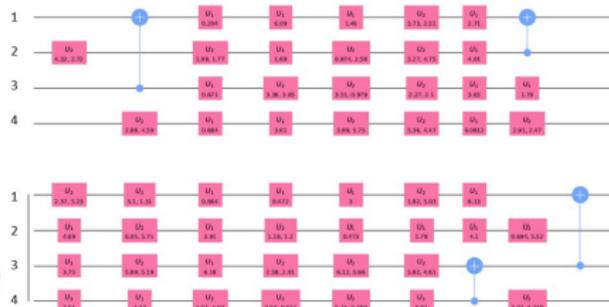
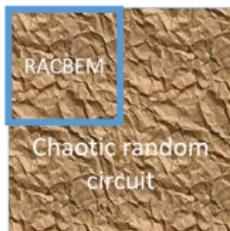
## Idea: from the success of Google's supremacy circuit

- A big random, unitary matrix, almost drawn from Haar measure.
- Linear algebra usually works with **non-unitary** matrices.
- How about taking the upper-left diagonal block  $n$ -qubit matrix of the  $(n + 1)$ -qubit unitary matrix (can be random)?

$$U_A = \begin{pmatrix} A & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$$

- **FACT**: It can represent in principle **any**  $n$ -qubit matrix (up to scaling)!
- Block-encoding (Gilyén-Su-Low-Wiebe, 2019)
- RAndom Circuit Block-Encoded Matrix (RACBEM)

# RACBEM

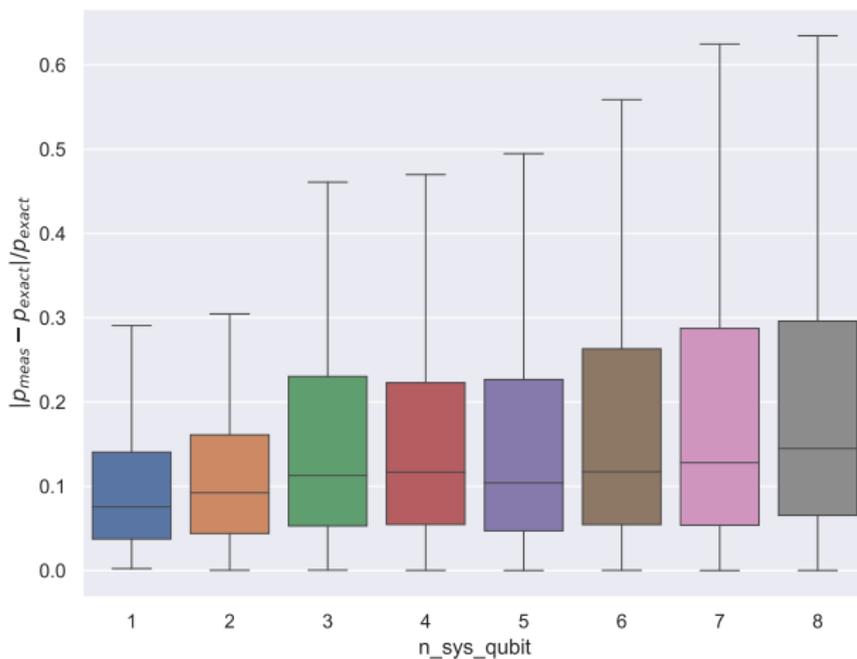


Qubit 1 takes  $|0\rangle$   
Get a 3-qubit RACBEM

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -0.066 - 0.055i & -0.301 - 0.093i & -0.133 - 0.118i & 0.046 + 0.016i & -0.024 - 0.027i & -0.119 - 0.056i & 0.393 + 0.403i & -0.141 - 0.061i \\ -0.301 - 0.099i & -0.067 - 0.041i & 0.042 + 0.014i & -0.152 - 0.095i & -0.119 - 0.058i & -0.025 - 0.021i & -0.130 - 0.054i & 0.459 + 0.333i \\ -0.079 - 0.188i & -0.105 + 0.155i & -0.178 + 0.097i & -0.195 - 0.104i & 0.396 - 0.069i & -0.253 - 0.270i & 0.028 + 0.124i & -0.096 + 0.099i \\ -0.109 + 0.149i & -0.107 - 0.176i & -0.197 - 0.104i & -0.154 + 0.128i & -0.239 - 0.276i & 0.386 - 0.128i & -0.097 + 0.101i & 0.050 + 0.115i \\ -0.135 + 0.033i & -0.412 + 0.299i & 0.037 + 0.272i & -0.038 - 0.065i & -0.093 + 0.045i & 0.053 + 0.156i & -0.278 + 0.162i & 0.053 - 0.070i \\ -0.419 + 0.294i & -0.118 + 0.047i & -0.035 - 0.059i & 0.083 + 0.263i & 0.051 + 0.158i & 0.003 + 0.011i & 0.048 - 0.065i & -0.248 + 0.208i \\ -0.071 - 0.125i & -0.060 + 0.118i & 0.029 + 0.367i & -0.316 + 0.245i & -0.150 + 0.247i & 0.265 - 0.009i & 0.038 + 0.066i & -0.038 + 0.074i \\ -0.064 + 0.114i & -0.090 - 0.114i & -0.319 + 0.249i & 0.097 + 0.350i & 0.262 + 0.001i & -0.113 + 0.289i & -0.038 + 0.075i & 0.049 + 0.057i \end{pmatrix}$$

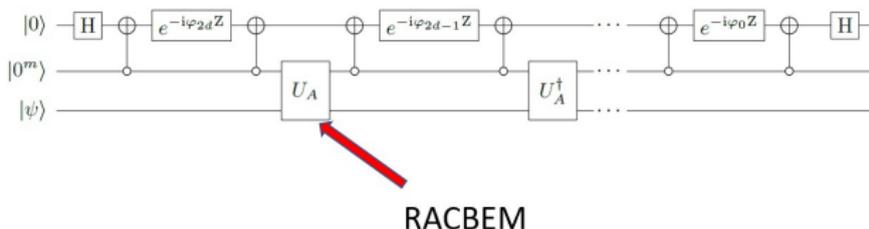
- A very **flexible** way to construct a non-unitary matrix with respect to **any** coupling map of the quantum architecture.
- Take upper-left diagonal block: measure one-qubit.  
 $A = (|0\rangle \otimes I_n) U_A (|0\rangle \otimes I_n)$

## Error of RACBEM on IBM Q



Relative error in success probability of obtaining  $A|0^n\rangle$  for different number of system qubits, on the 5-qubit backend `ibmq_burlington`, and 15-qubit backend `ibmq_16_melbourne`.

# Representing matrix functions, say $f(A) = A^{-1}$



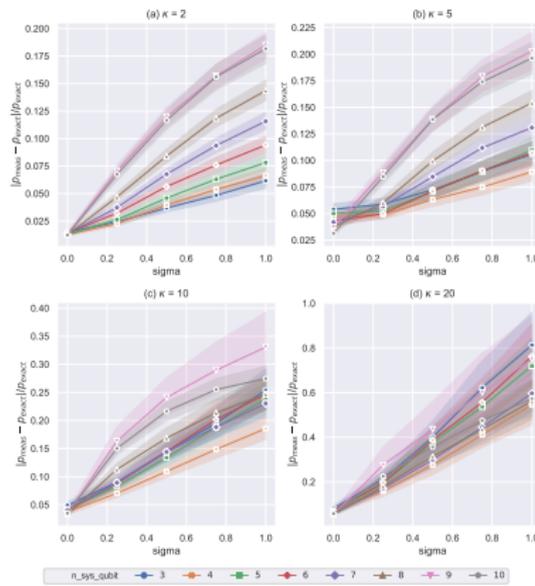
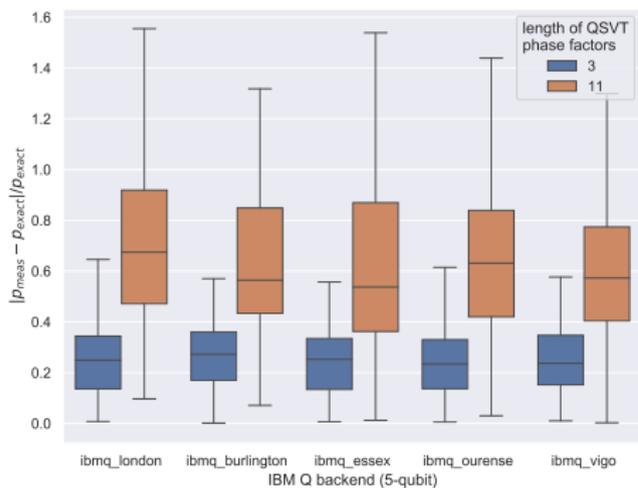
- General quantum singular value transformation circuit (QSVT) (Gilyén-Su-Low-Wiebe, 2019). Always even order polynomial, and **1 extra** ancilla qubit.
- Follow the natural layout of the quantum circuit. Can run **without** even calling a transpiler.
- **Applications**: Linear systems, time series, spectral measure, thermal energy ... with **Hermitian**-RACBEM.
- How to obtain the phase factors: optimization based approach to get  $> 10000$  phase factors <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>(Dong-Meng-Whaley-L., 2002.11649). <https://github.com/qsppack/qsppack>

# Solving linear system on IBM Q and QVM

Compute  $\|\xi^{-1} |0^n\rangle\|_2^2$ . (sigma: noise level on QVM)

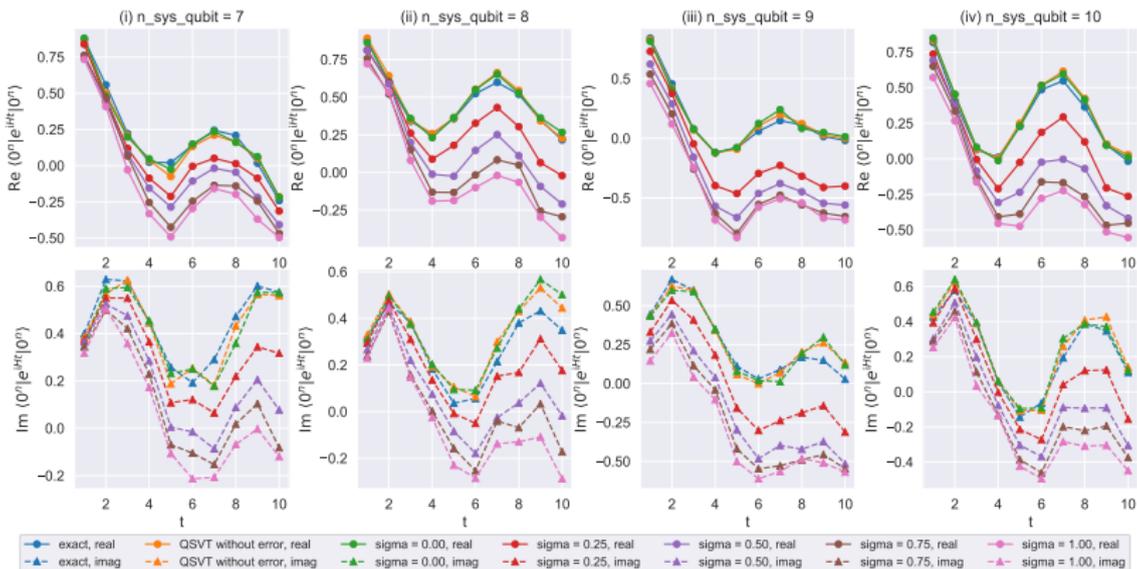
Well conditioned linear system



# Time series (no Trotter)

$$s(t) = \langle \psi | e^{i\mathcal{H}t} | \psi \rangle$$

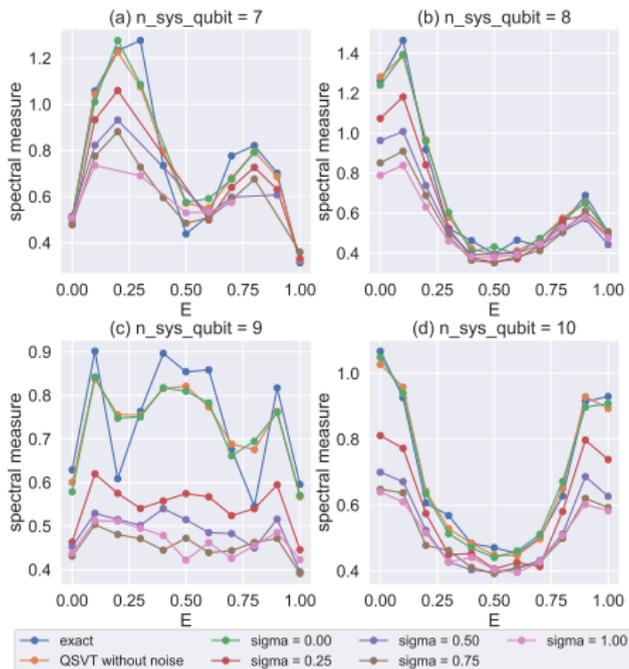
QVM:



# Spectral measure

$$s(E) = \langle \psi | \delta(\mathfrak{H} - E) | \psi \rangle \approx \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \langle \psi | (\mathfrak{H} - E - i\eta)^{-1} | \psi \rangle$$

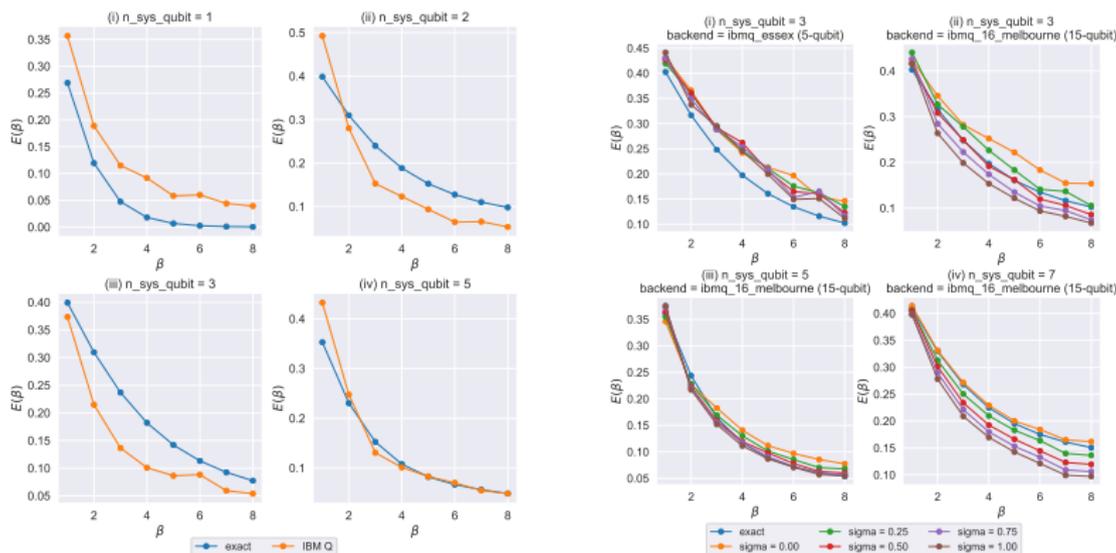
QVM:



# Thermal energy

$$E(\beta) = \frac{\text{Tr}[\hat{\zeta} e^{-\beta \hat{\zeta}}]}{\text{Tr}[e^{-\beta \hat{\zeta}}]}$$

IBM Q (left) and QVM (right)



<sup>1</sup>Use the minimally entangled typical thermal state (METTS) algorithm (White, 2009) (Motta et al, 2020)

## Conclusion

- Linear system with (Hermitian-)RACBEM: Quantum LINPACK benchmark
- Uses a supremacy circuit as building block.
- Can be easily engineered w.r.t. almost any architecture.
- Maybe only steps away from the supremacy test.
- Hardness? Each  $U_A$  is already hard..
- More quantitative ways to measure success and classical hardness: cross-entropy test etc.

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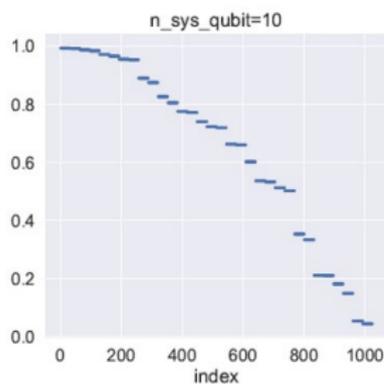
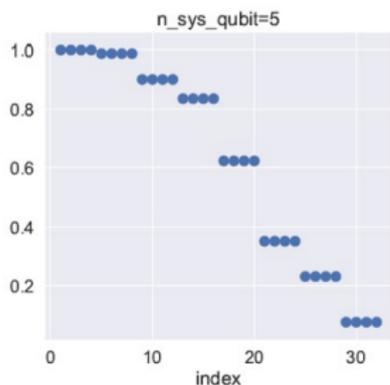
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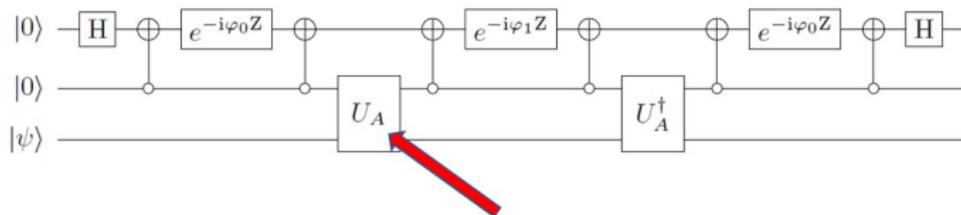
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## Two issues of RACBEM

- Not Hermitian.
- Matrix becomes increasingly singular as  $n$  increases.



## Fixing both issues: Hermitian-RACBEM



RACBEM

- Simple quantum singular value transformation circuit (QSVT) (Gilyén-Su-Low-Wiebe, 2019) of degree 2.
- Explicit formulation of the Hermitian matrix by tracing out 2 ancilla (the extra ancilla can be reused later).

$$\mathfrak{H} = [-2 \sin(2\varphi_0) \sin \varphi_1] A^\dagger A + \cos(2\varphi_0 - \varphi_1).$$

- Fully adjustable condition number.
- This is the really **useful** thing.