

Quantum walks as a quantum simulators

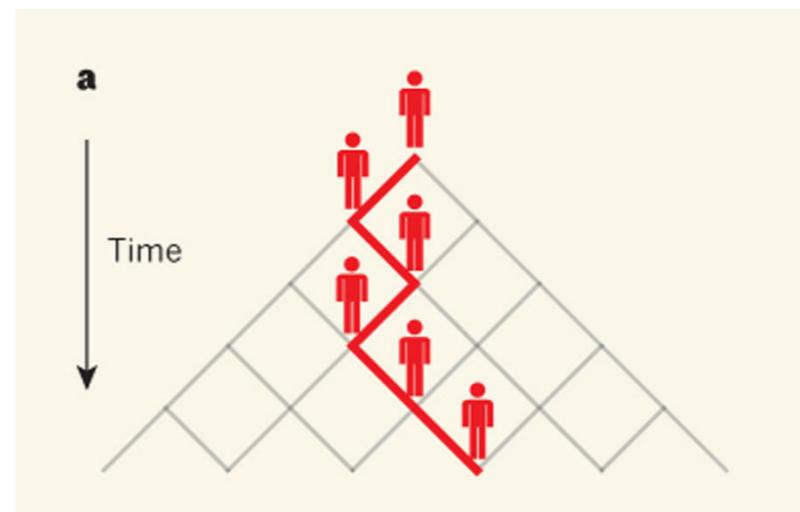
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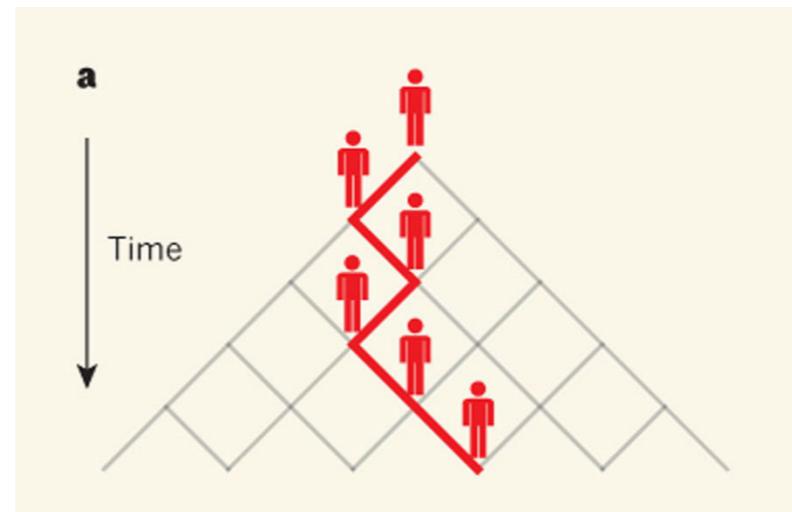
I. Introduction to QW

In the CRW



Same prob. to move left or right

I. Introduction to QW



Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_p \otimes \mathcal{H}_c$

$$\Psi \in \mathcal{H} \quad \left[\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{H}_p & \text{position sites} & |i\rangle \text{ canonical basis } i \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \mathcal{H}_c & \text{coin state} & |c\rangle \text{ canonical basis of } \mathcal{H}_c \quad c \in \uparrow, \downarrow \end{array} \right]$$

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Unitary operator

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C: coin operator

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & i \sin \theta \\ i \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C : |\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow \cos \theta |\uparrow\rangle + i \sin \theta |\downarrow\rangle$$

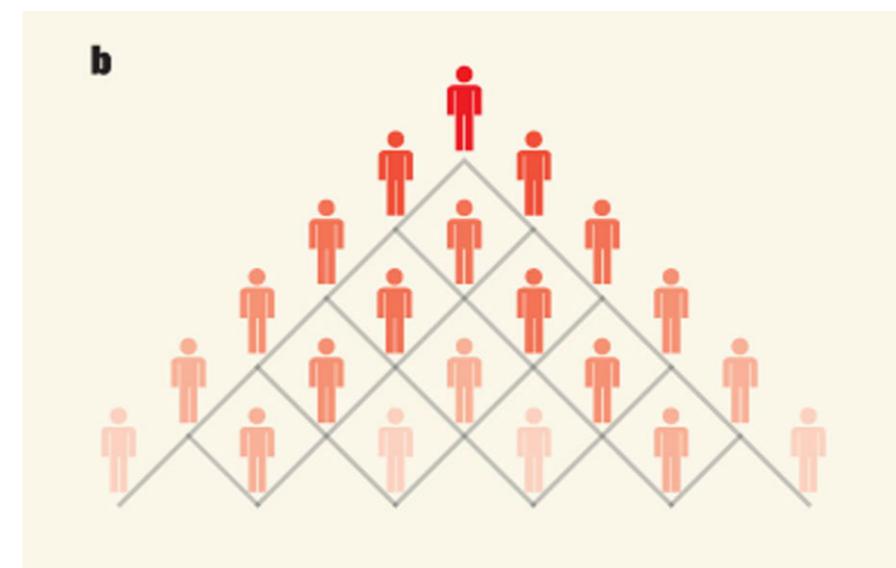
$$C : |\downarrow\rangle \rightarrow i \sin \theta |\uparrow\rangle + \cos \theta |\downarrow\rangle$$

Superposition

S: shift operator

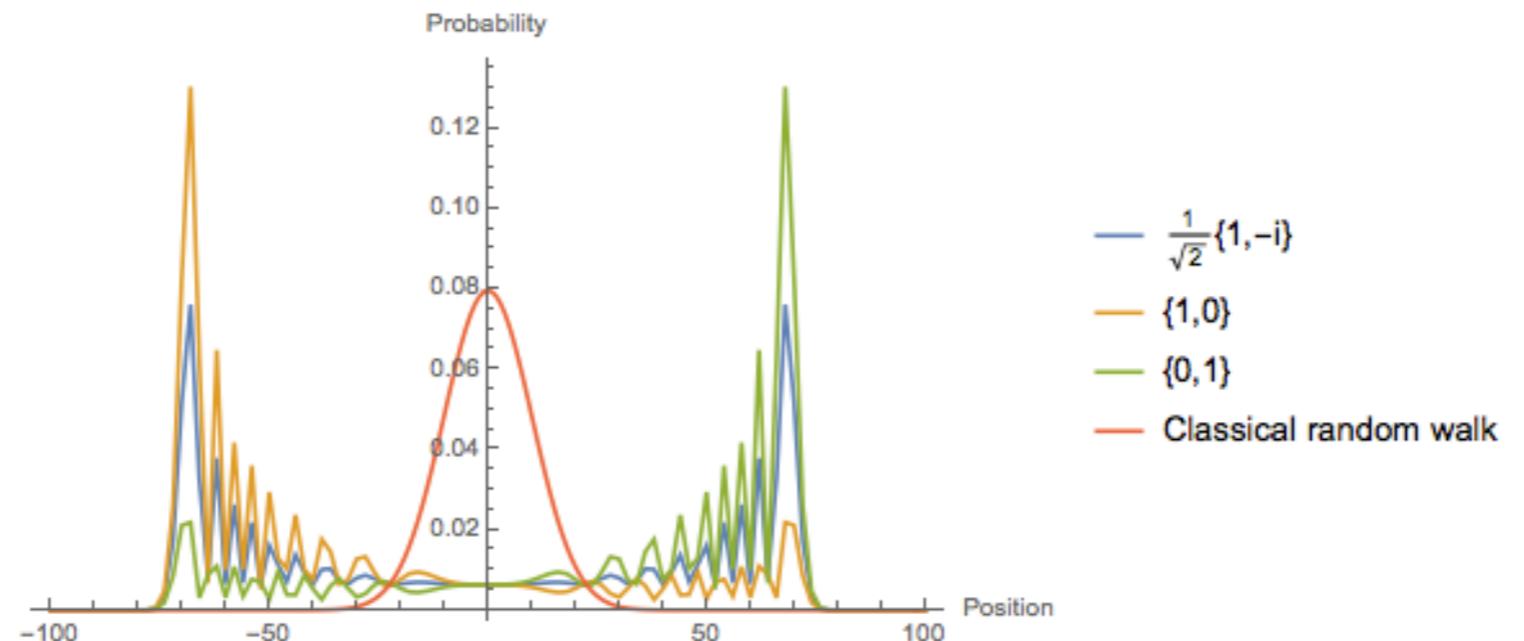
$$S = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} |i+1\rangle \langle i| \otimes |\uparrow\rangle \langle \uparrow| + |i-1\rangle \langle i| \otimes |\downarrow\rangle \langle \downarrow|$$

Time



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Probability density $P(i; t) = |\Psi_{t,i}|^2$



Spreading faster than CRW

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Quantum algorithm

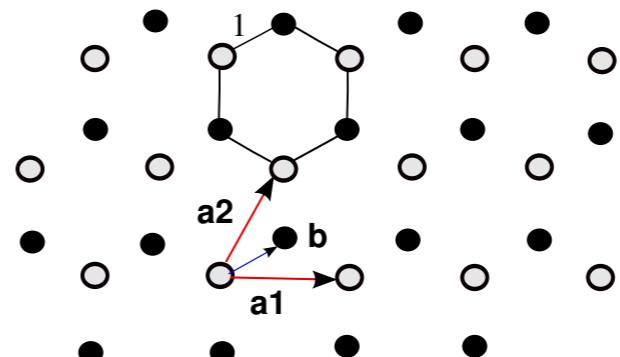
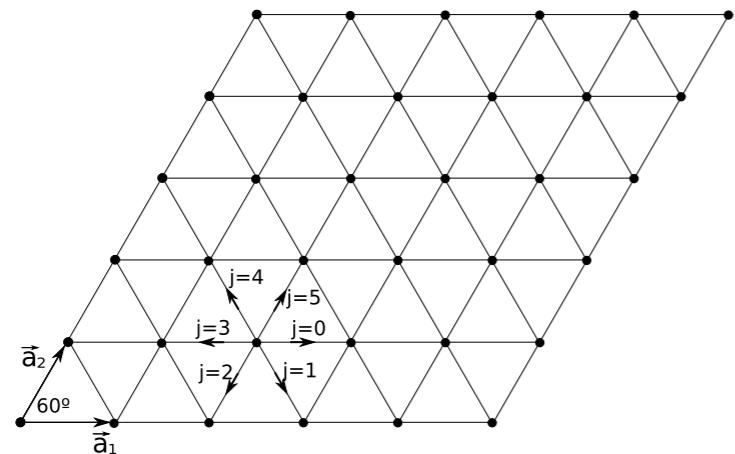
e.g. Searching in graphs

first search algorithm in a hypercube $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{N})$

Quantum random-walk search algorithm, Phys. Rev. A 67, 052307 (2003)

In 2D time complexity

$\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{N \log N})$



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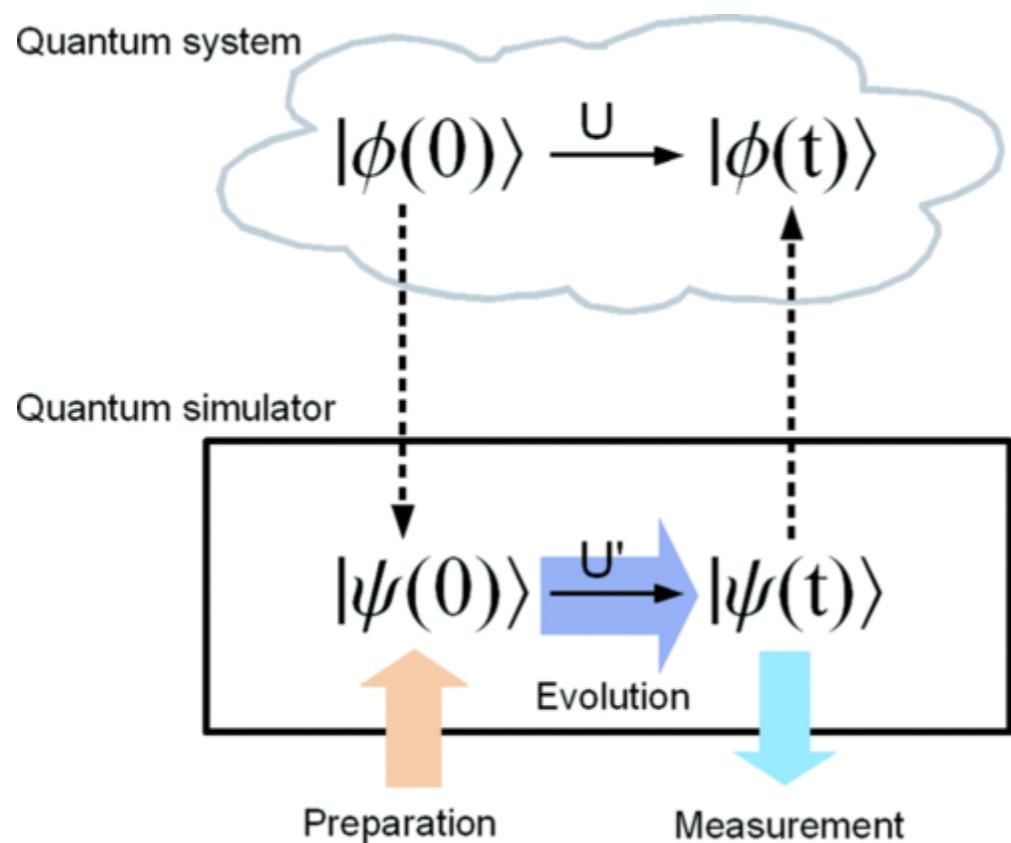
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I. Introduction to QW

Quantum simulation



I. M. Georgescu, S. Ashhab, and Franco Nori
Rev. Mod. Phys. **86**, 153

TABLE II. Potential applications of quantum simulators and the physical systems in which they could be implemented, along with relevant references. We note that this is not an exhaustive list.

Application	Proposed implementation
Condensed-matter physics:	
Hubbard models	Atoms (Jaksch <i>et al.</i>, 1998 ; Greiner <i>et al.</i>, 2002) [*] Ions (Deng, Porras, and Cirac, 2008) Polar molecules (Ortner <i>et al.</i>, 2009) Quantum dots (Byrnes <i>et al.</i>, 2008) Cavities (Greentree <i>et al.</i>, 2006 ; Hartmann, Brandao, and Plenio, 2006 ; Angelakis, Santos, and Bose, 2007)
Spin models	Atoms (Jané <i>et al.</i>, 2003 ; Garcia-Ripoll, Martin-Delgado, and Cirac, 2004 , Simon <i>et al.</i>, 2011 ; Struck <i>et al.</i>, 2011) [*] Ions (Jané <i>et al.</i>, 2003 ; Porras and Cirac, 2004b ; Deng, Porras, and Cirac, 2005 ; Bermudez, Porras, and Martin-Delgado, 2009 ; Edwards <i>et al.</i>, 2010 ; Lanyon <i>et al.</i>, 2011 [*] ; Kim <i>et al.</i>, 2011 ; Britton <i>et al.</i>, 2012) [*] Cavities (Cho, Angelakis, and Bose, 2008a ; Chen <i>et al.</i>, 2010) Nuclear spins on diamond surface (Cai <i>et al.</i>, 2013) Superconducting circuits (Tsokomos, Ashhab, and Nori, 2010) Electrons on helium (Mostame and Schützhold, 2008) Atoms (Greiner <i>et al.</i>, 2002) [*]
Quantum phase transitions	Polar molecules (Capogrosso-Sansone <i>et al.</i>, 2010 ; Pollet <i>et al.</i>, 2010) Ions (Retzker <i>et al.</i>, 2008 ; Friedenauer <i>et al.</i>, 2008); Ivanov <i>et al.</i>, 2009 ; Giorgi, Paganelli, and Galve, 2010 NMR (Peng, Du, and Suter, 2005 ; Roumpos, Master, and Yamamoto, 2007 ; Zhang <i>et al.</i>, 2008) Superconducting circuits (van Oudenaarden and Mooij, 1996) [*] DQS (Lidar and Biham, 1997) Superconducting circuits (Tsomokos, Ashhab, and Nori, 2008) Atoms (Schulte <i>et al.</i>, 2005 ; Fallani <i>et al.</i>, 2007 [*] ; Billy <i>et al.</i>, 2008 ; Roati <i>et al.</i>, 2008) [*]
Spin glasses	Ions (Bermudez, Martin-Delgado, and Porras, 2010) Superconducting circuits (Garcia-Ripoll, Solano, and Martin-Delgado, 2008) NMR (Álvarez and Suter, 2010 ; Banerjee <i>et al.</i>, 2013) [*]
Disordered systems	Ions (Porras and Cirac, 2006b ; Kim <i>et al.</i>, 2010) [*] Photons (Ma <i>et al.</i>, 2011) [*] DQS (Yamaguchi and Yamamoto, 2002) Quantum dots (Manousakis, 2002) NMR (Yang <i>et al.</i>, 2006) [*]
Frustrated systems	Atoms (Regal, Greiner, and Jin, 2004 ; Zwierlein <i>et al.</i>, 2005) [*] Superconducting circuits (Rakhmanov <i>et al.</i>, 2008) Superconducting circuits (Koch <i>et al.</i>, 2010) Atoms (Aguado <i>et al.</i>, 2008) Polar molecules (Micheli, Brennen, and Zoller, 2006) Linear optics (Lu <i>et al.</i>, 2009) [*] Superconducting circuits (You <i>et al.</i>, 2010)
High- T_c superconductivity	
BCS pairing	
BCS-BEC crossover	
Metamaterials	
Time-symmetry breaking	
Topological order	

^{*}Experimental realizations.

TABLE III. Continuation of Table II, but focused on applications other than condensed-matter physics. As in Table II, this is not an exhaustive list.

Application	Proposed implementation	
High-energy physics:		
Lattice gauge theories	DQS (Byrnes and Yamamoto, 2006)	
Dirac particles	Atoms (Büchler <i>et al.</i> , 2005) Ions (Lamata <i>et al.</i> , 2007; Casanova <i>et al.</i> , 2010, 2011; Gerritsma <i>et al.</i> , 2010*; Rusin and Zawadzki, 2010) Atoms (Goldman <i>et al.</i> , 2009; Hou, Yang, and Liu, 2009; Cirac, Maraner, and Pachos, 2010) Photons (Semiao and Paternostro, 2012)	
Nucleons		
Cosmology:		
Unruh effect	Ions (Alsing, Dowling, and Milburn, 2005)	
Hawking radiation	Atoms (Giovanazzi, 2005) Ions (Horstmann <i>et al.</i> , 2010) Superconducting circuits (Nation <i>et al.</i> , 2009) BEC (Fischer and Schützhold, 2004)	
Universe expansion	Ions (Schützhold and Mostame, 2005; Menicucci, Olson, and Milburn, 2010)	
Atomic physics:		
Cavity QED	Superconducting circuits (You and Nori, 2003; Wallraff <i>et al.</i> , 2004)*	
Cooling	Superconducting circuits (Grajcar <i>et al.</i> , 2008)*; You and Nori, 2011)	
Open systems:		
	NMR (Tseng <i>et al.</i> , 2000)* Ions (Piilo and Maniscalco, 2006; Barreiro <i>et al.</i> , 2011)* Superconducting circuits (Li <i>et al.</i> , 2013)*	
Chemistry:		
Thermal rate calculations	DQS (Lidar and Wang, 1999)	
Molecular energies	DQS (Aspuru-Guzik <i>et al.</i> , 2005) Linear optics (Lanyon <i>et al.</i> , 2010)* NMR (Du <i>et al.</i> , 2010)*	
Chemical reactions	DQS (Kassal <i>et al.</i> , 2008) Quantum dots (Smirnov <i>et al.</i> , 2007)	
Quantum chaos:		
	NMR (Weinstein <i>et al.</i> , 2002)* Linear optics (Howell and Yeaze, 1999)	
Interferometry:		
	Ions (Leibfried <i>et al.</i> , 2002*; Hu, Feng, and Lee, 2012; Lau and James, 2012) Photons (Aaronson and Arkhipov, 2011; Broome <i>et al.</i> , 2013*; Crespi <i>et al.</i> , 2013; Spring <i>et al.</i> , 2013; Tillmann <i>et al.</i> , 2013)* Superconducting circuits (Zhou, Dong <i>et al.</i> , 2008; Liao <i>et al.</i> , 2010)	
Other applications:		
Schrödinger equation	DQS (Boghosian and Taylor, 1998a)	
Quantum thermodynamics	Superconducting circuits (Quan <i>et al.</i> , 2006, 2007)	

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The finite difference eqs:

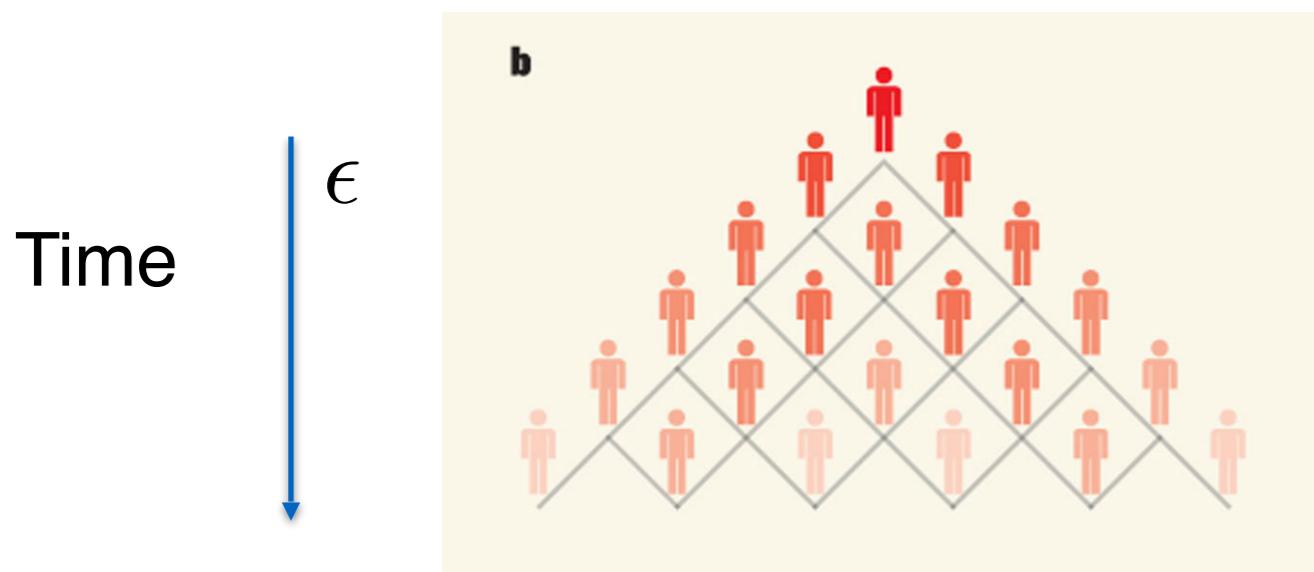
$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_{t+1,i}^{\uparrow} &= \cos \theta \Psi_{t,i+\epsilon}^{\uparrow} + i \sin \theta \Psi_{t,i+\epsilon}^{\downarrow} \\ \Psi_{t+1,i}^{\downarrow} &= i \sin \theta \Psi_{t,i-\epsilon}^{\uparrow} + \cos \theta \Psi_{t,i-\epsilon}^{\downarrow}\end{aligned}$$

$$\theta = \epsilon m$$

Continuous limit

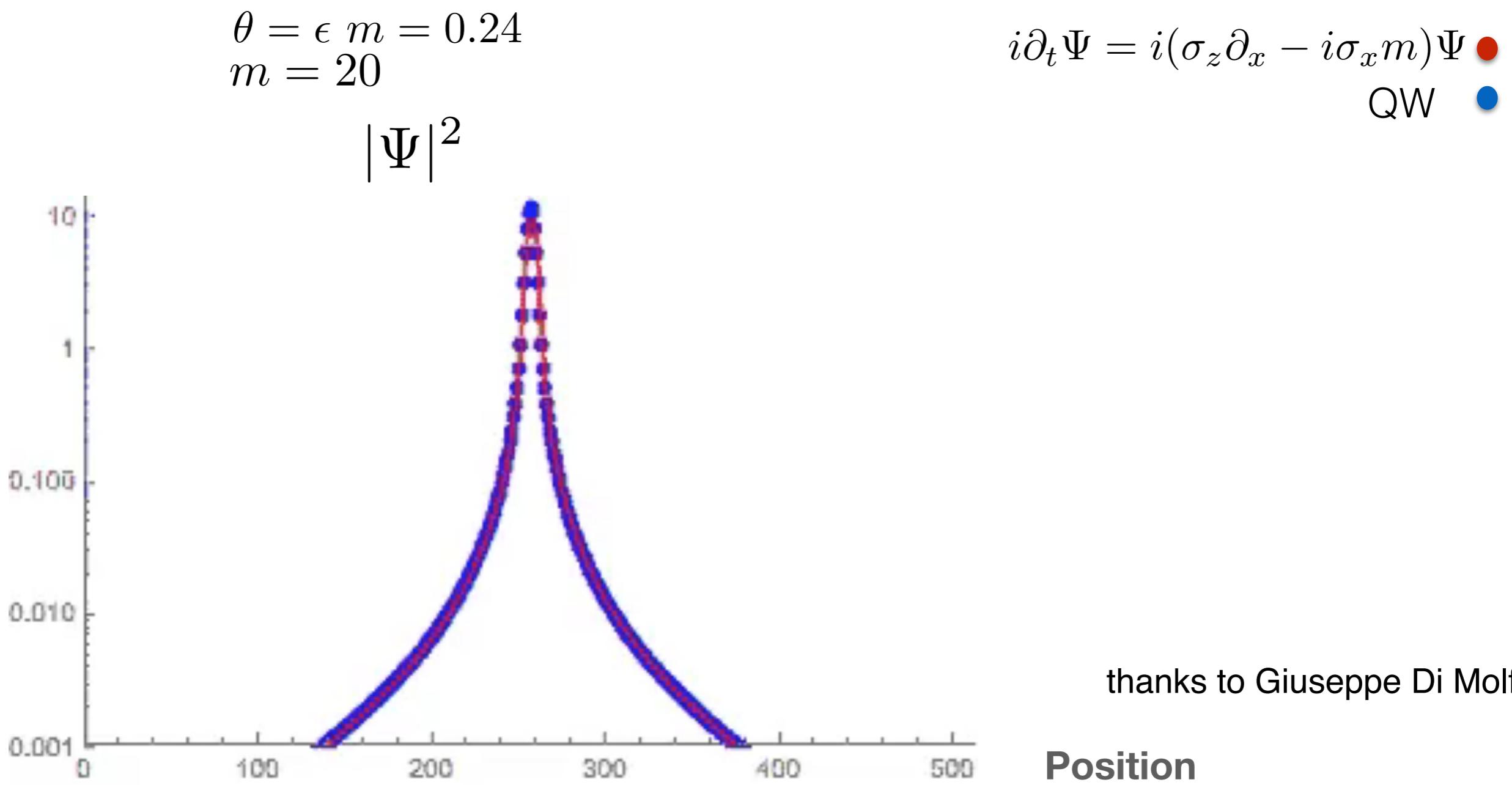
$$\epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \Psi^{\uparrow} &= -\partial_i \Psi^{\uparrow} - im \Psi^{\downarrow} \\ \partial_t \Psi^{\downarrow} &= \partial_i \Psi^{\downarrow} - im \Psi^{\uparrow}\end{aligned}$$



II. From QWs to Dirac equation

- Relativistic wave equation which describes all spin 1/2 particles
- First theory that combines fully SR and QM

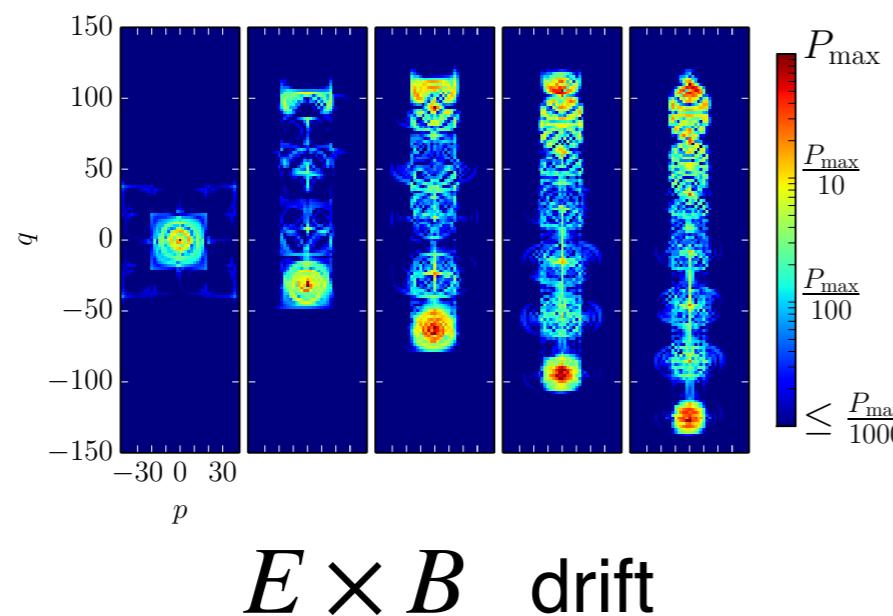


II. From QWs to Dirac equation

QWs can simulate processes that are very complicated to observe experimentally

Gauge fields

G. Di Molfetta and F. Debbasch. “Discrete-time quantum walks: Continuous limit symmetries”. In: *Journal of Mathematical Physics* 53.12 (2012)



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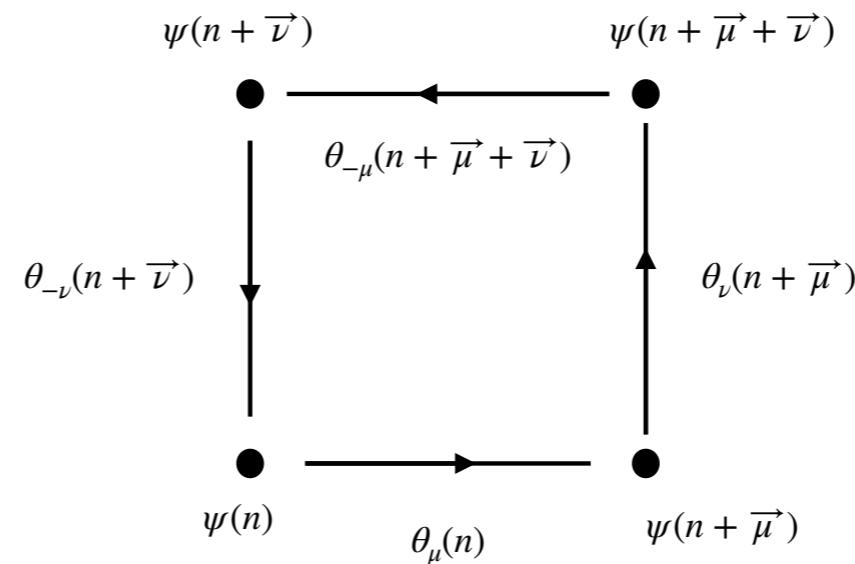
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Gauge invariance in DTQW

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Electromagnetic lattice gauge invariance in two-dimensional discrete-time quantum walks
Iván Márquez-Martín, Pablo Arnault, Giuseppe Di Molfetta, and Armando Pérez. Phys. Rev. A 98, 032333 (2018)

Close analogies to LGT



C. Cedzich, T. Geib, A. H. Werner, et al. “Quantum walks in external gauge fields”. In: *Journal of Mathematical Physics* 60.1 (2019)

Unified framework to understand U(1) gauge invariance, in DTQW with coin spaces of arbitrary dimensions

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Zitterbewegung



rapid oscillation of Dirac particles around their trajectories

Quantum walks and quantum simulations with Bloch-oscillating spinor atoms D. Witthaut Phys. Rev. A **82**, 033602
(and more)

Quantum simulation of the Dirac equation. R. Gerritsma, G. Kirchmair, F. Zähringer, E. Solano, R. Blatt and C.F. Roos, *Nature* **463**, 68 (2010)

Dirac equation in curved space-time

Giuseppe Di Molfetta, Marc Brachet, and Fabrice Debbasch. Quantum walks in artificial electric and gravitational fields. *Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications*, 397:157–168, 2014.

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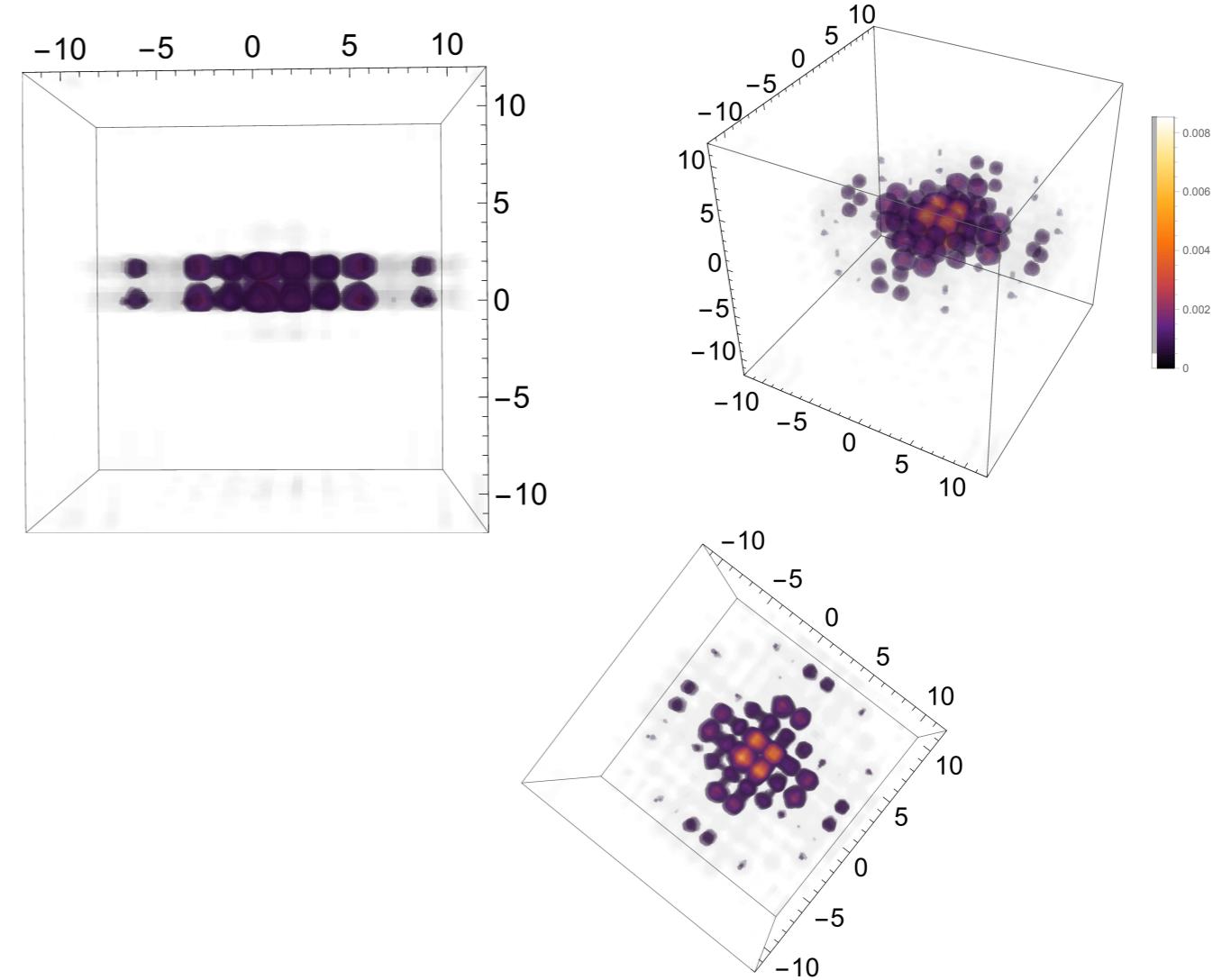
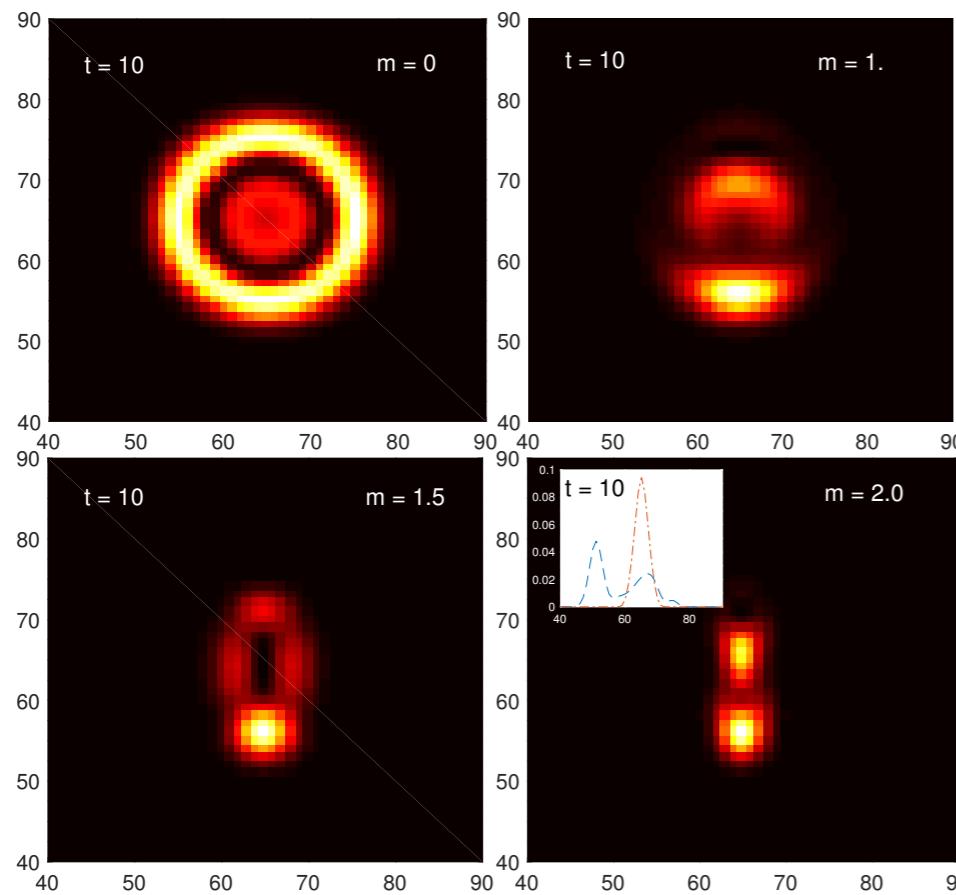
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II. From QWs to Dirac equation

Brane theories



new extra physical dimensions take into account. a few TeV to 10^{16} TeV



II. From QWs to Dirac equation

QWs allow us to study in a deeper way physical models, i.e. relativistic particles
from discrete to continuous

This approach could potentially be used to understand wider theories such as Quantum field theory, Quantum Gravity...

A quantum cellular automaton for one-dimensional QED.
P.Arrighi, C.Bény, T.Farrelly [arXiv:1903.07007](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.07007)

What happens if we change the topology of the lattice?

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Topological phases

Takuya Kitagawa, Mark S. Rudner, Erez Berg, et al. “Exploring topological phases with quantum walks”. In: *Physical Review A - Atomic, Molecular, and Optical Physics* 82.3 (2010)

Search algorithms

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Localization processes →

P. W. Anderson. “Absence of Diffusion in Certain Random Lattices”. *Phys. Rev.* 109 (1956)

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III. Hexagonal and triangular QWs

Graphene

Dirac-like electronic structure and dynamic

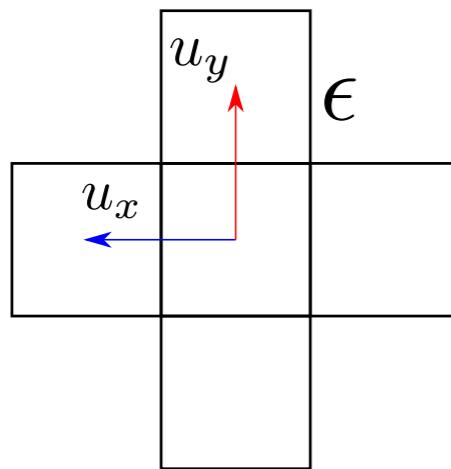
Possible physical implementation of QWs

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Hamza Bougoura, Habib Aissaoui, Nicholas Chancellor, et al. “Quantum- walk transport properties on graphene structures”. In: *Physical Review A* 94.6 (2016)

III. Hexagonal and triangular grid QWs

2D QW in the grid



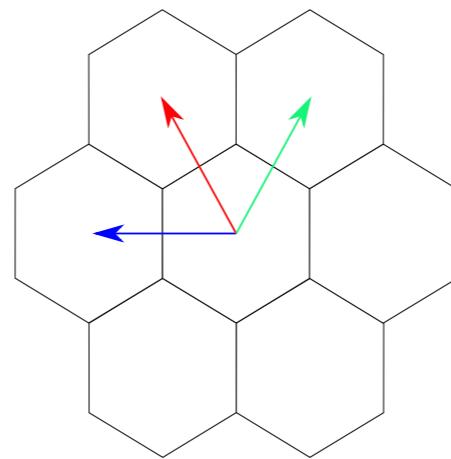
Continuous limit

$$\epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

Dirac Hamiltonian 2D

$$H_D = p_x \sigma_x + p_y \sigma_y + m \sigma_z$$

2D QW in a hexagonal lattice



$$u_i = \cos(i \frac{2\pi}{3}) u_x + \sin(i \frac{2\pi}{3}) u_y$$

$$i = 0, 1, 2$$

Continuous limit

$$\epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

Equivalent Dirac Hamiltonian 2D

$$H'_D = H_D$$

$$H'_D = \sum_i \pi_i \tau_i + m \sigma_z$$

Momentum along
i direction

$$\pi_i = u_i^\nu p_\nu$$

New unitary
matrices

$$\nu = 1, 2$$

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In order to find the τ_i matrices

i)
$$\sum_i \pi_i \tau_i = \sigma_x p_x + \sigma_y p_y$$

ii) eigenvalues $\{1, -1\}$

$$\tau_i = U_i^\dagger \sigma_z U_i$$



Unique solution, up to a sign

$$\tau_0 = \frac{2}{3} \sigma_x + \xi \sigma_z$$

$$\tau_1 = -\frac{1}{3} \sigma_x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \sigma_y + \xi \sigma_z$$

$$\tau_2 = -\frac{1}{3} \sigma_x - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \sigma_y + \xi \sigma_z$$

$$\xi = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

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Let's define a QW over this hexagonal grid such a
in the continuous limit recovers H_D

Evolution of a state

$$|\psi(t + \epsilon)\rangle = e^{-i\epsilon H_D} |\psi(t)\rangle$$

$$H_D = \sum_i \pi_i \tau_i + m \sigma_z$$

Using Lie-Trotter product formula

$$e^{-i\epsilon(\sum_i \pi_i \tau_i + m \sigma_z)} \approx \prod_{i=0}^2 e^{-i\epsilon m \sigma_z} e^{-i\epsilon \pi_i \tau_i}$$

removing second order epsilon terms

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Making use of the condition that the eigenvalues are $\{1, -1\}$

$$e^{-i\epsilon\tau_i\pi_i} = e^{-i\epsilon U_i^\dagger \sigma_z U_i \pi_i} = U_i^\dagger e^{-i\epsilon\sigma_z\pi_i} U_i = U_i^\dagger T_{i,\epsilon} U_i$$

where the translation operator along u_i

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Finally our QW over the hexagonal lattice is given by:

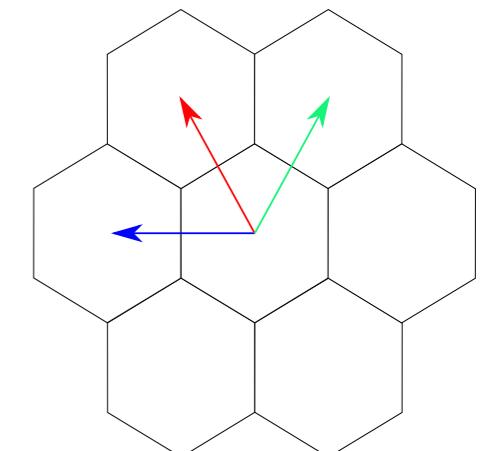
$$|\tilde{\psi}(t + \varepsilon)\rangle = (WT_{2,\varepsilon}WT_{1,\varepsilon}WT_{0,\varepsilon}) |\tilde{\psi}(t)\rangle$$

$$W = U_0 S U_0^\dagger M \quad |\tilde{\psi}(t)\rangle \equiv U_0 |\psi(t)\rangle$$

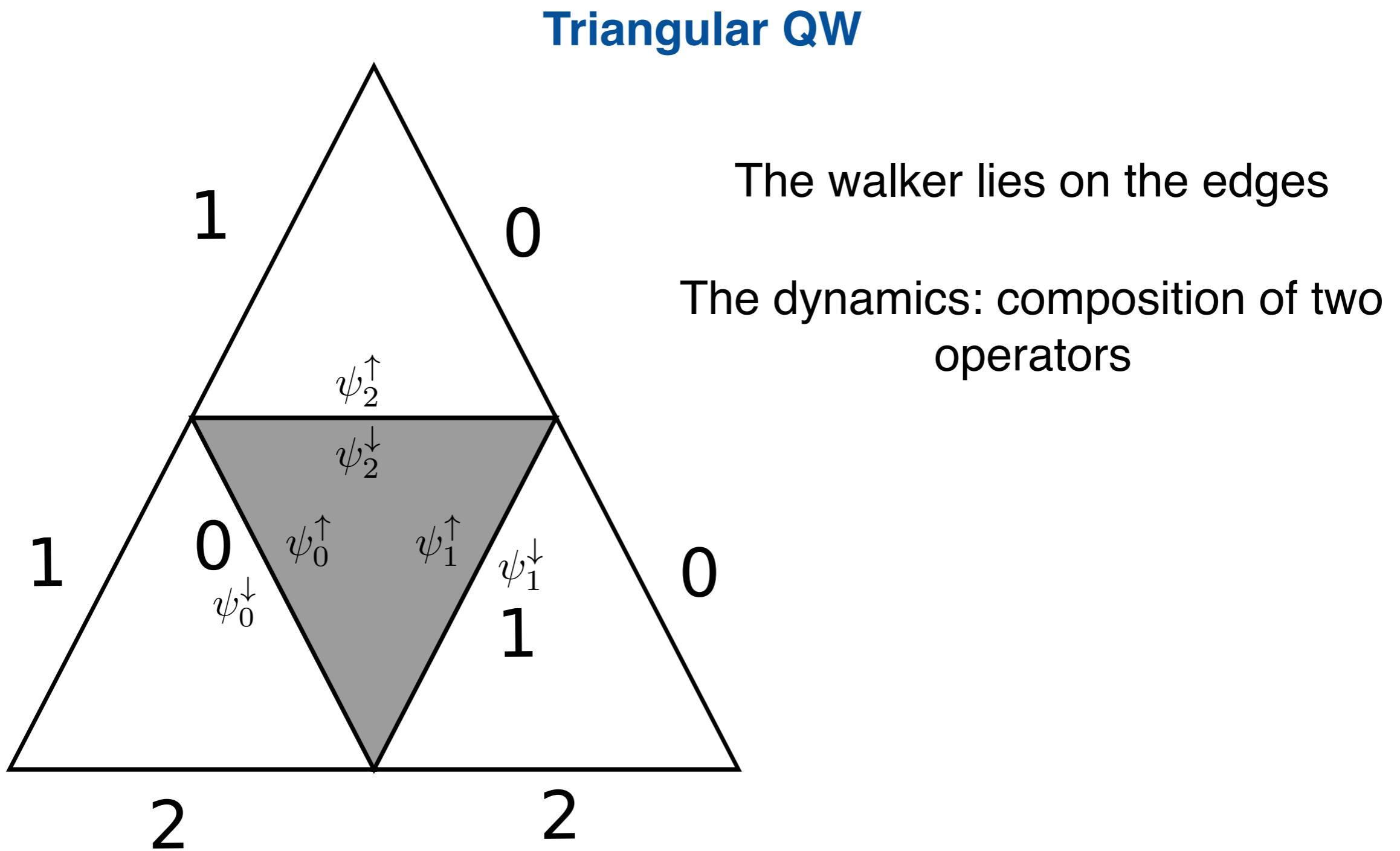
$$S = e^{i\frac{\pi}{3}} \mathcal{R}_{\sigma_z} \left(\frac{2\pi}{3} \right)$$

By construction, Dirac eq is recover when $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

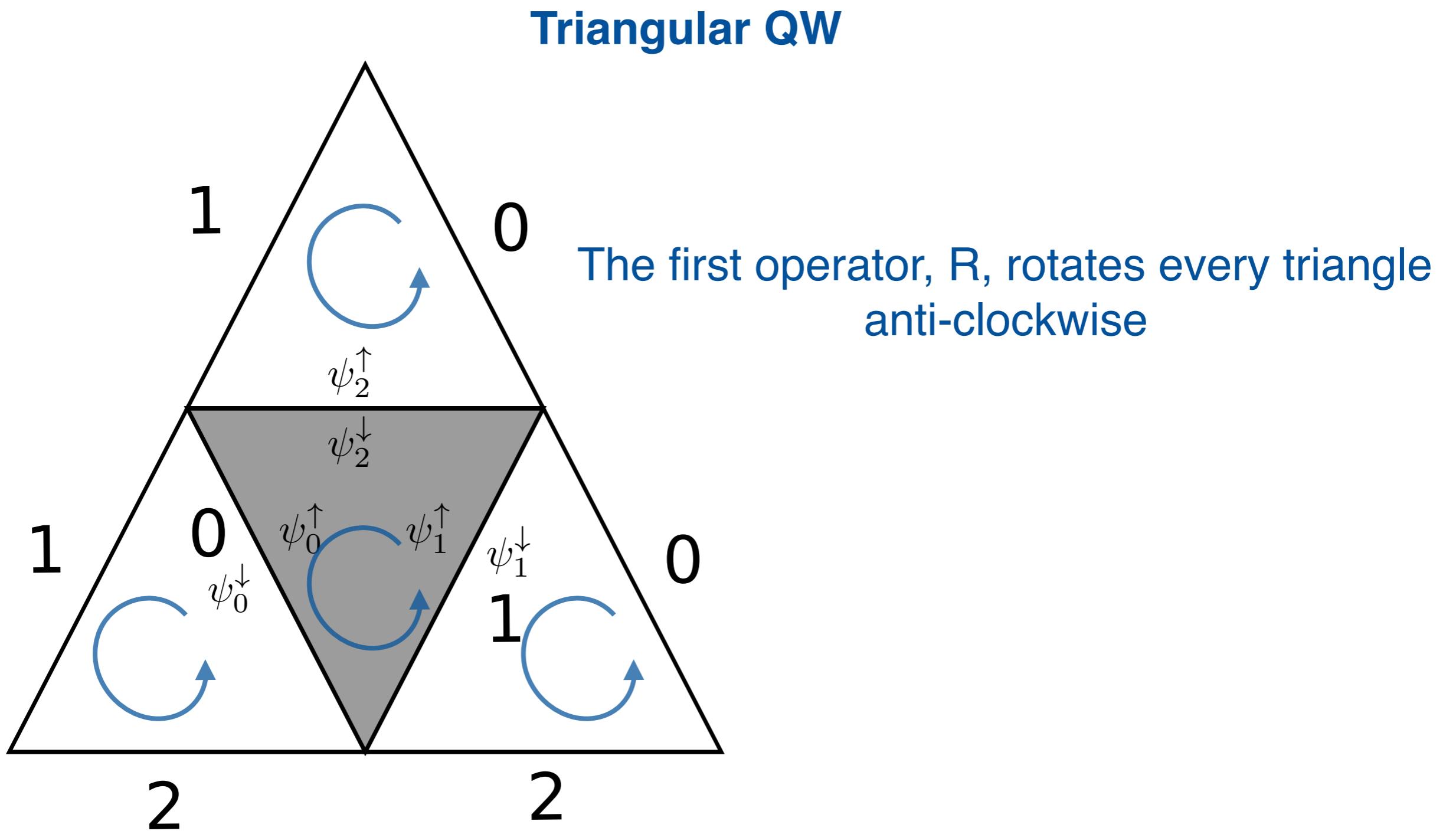
Having understood the honeycomb QW, it will be easier to tackle the triangular case



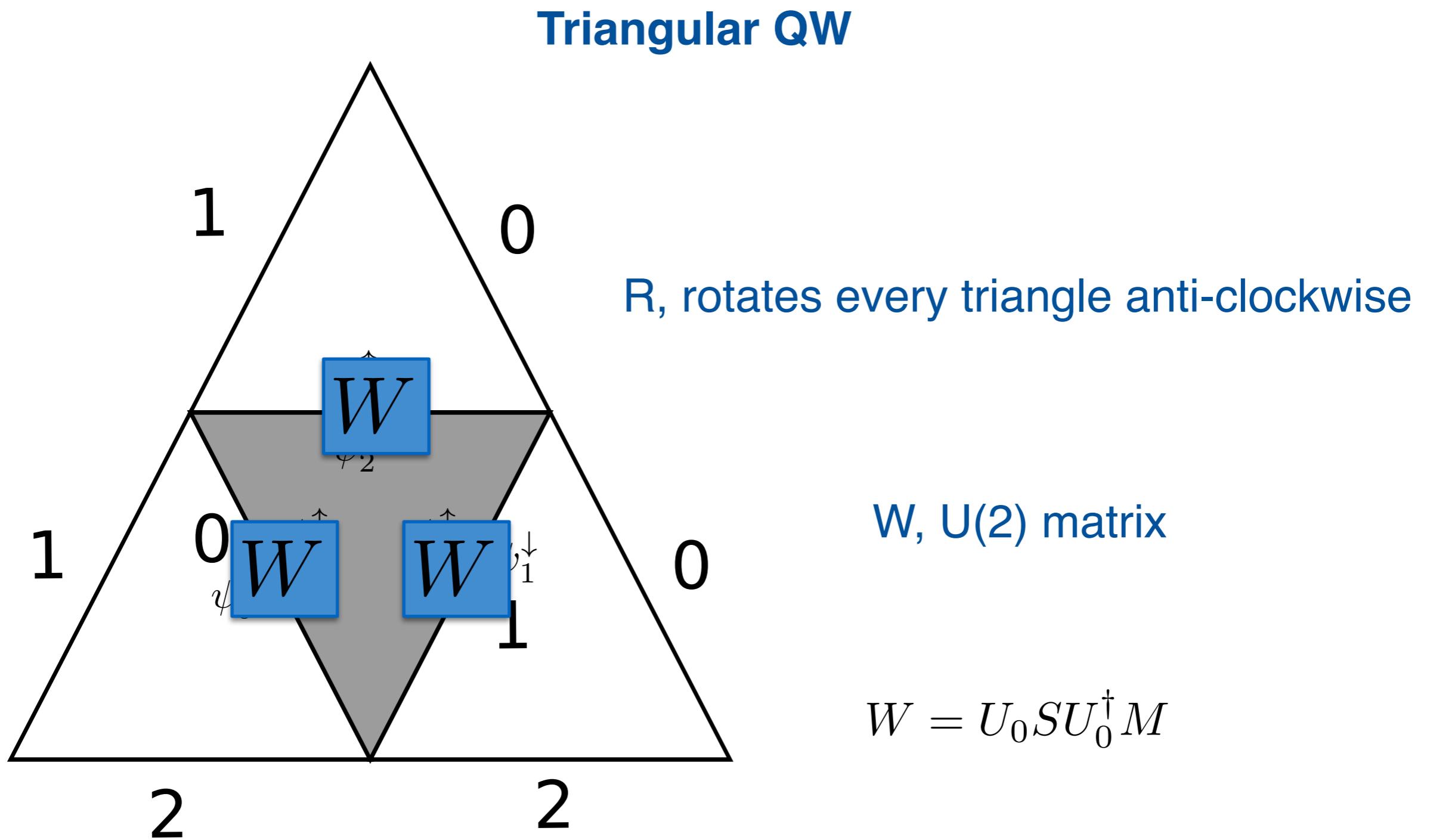
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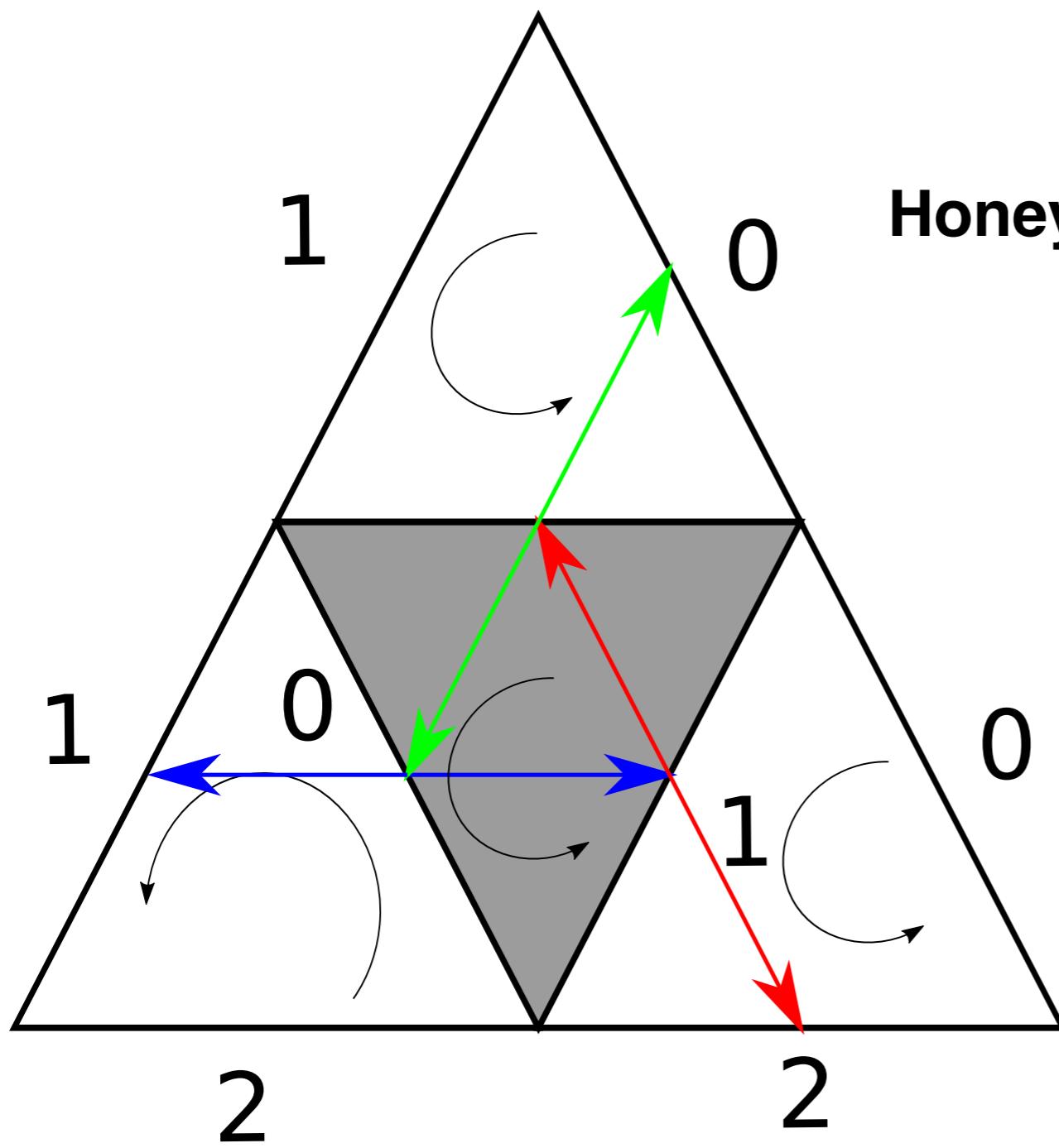


III Hexagonal and



clockwise

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Honeycomb QW dynamics in a covert way in 3 time-steps

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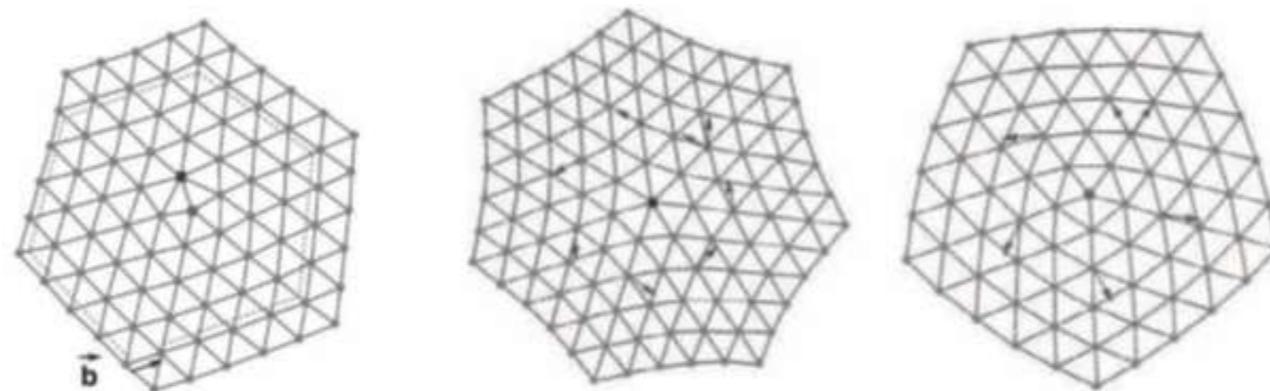
As we expected, we recover again the Dirac eq in the continuous limit

$$i\partial_t \psi = (p_x \sigma_x + p_y \sigma_y + m \sigma_z) \psi$$

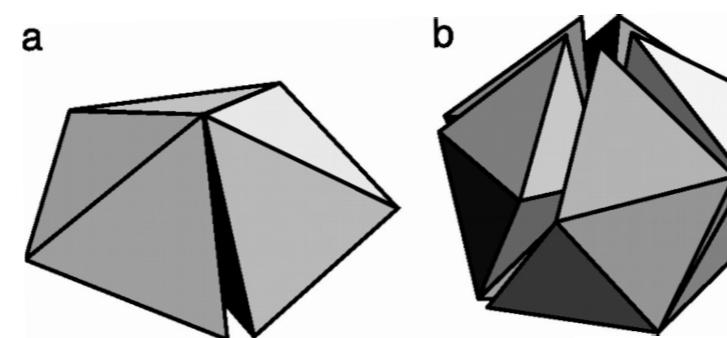
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Defects

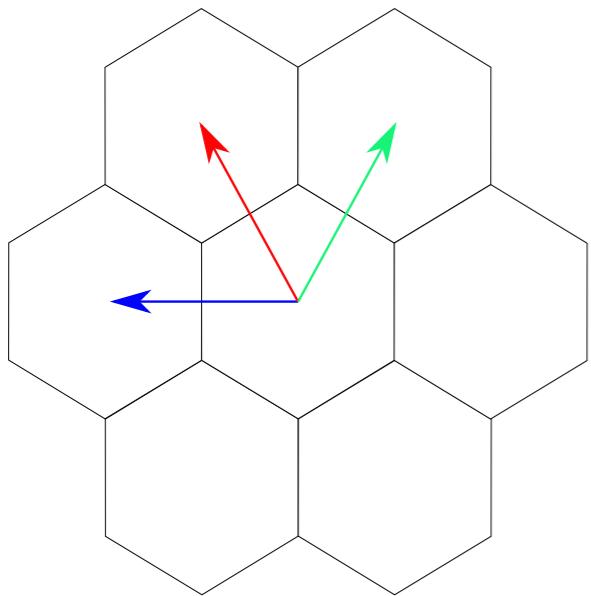


3D



III. Hexagonal and triangular QWs

Understanding propagation in discretized curved spacetime;



in-homogenous transformation

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad u'_i = \Lambda u_i$$

$$H_{DC} = \sum_i \pi_i \tau'_i(x, y) + m \sigma_z$$

Duality \longrightarrow

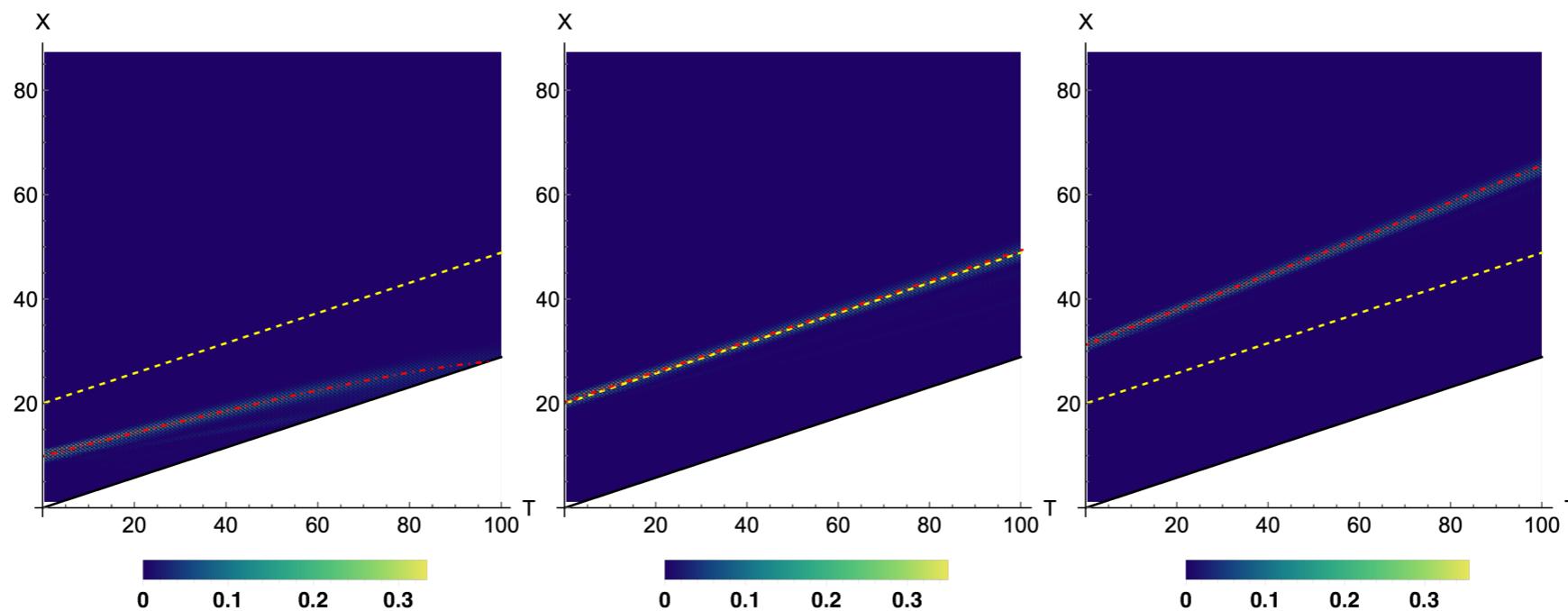
reabsorbing the deformation in the coin operator

Not possible in the rectangular lattice

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Black hole simulation

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r}\right) dt^2 - \frac{d\rho^2}{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}} - r^2 d\theta^2$$

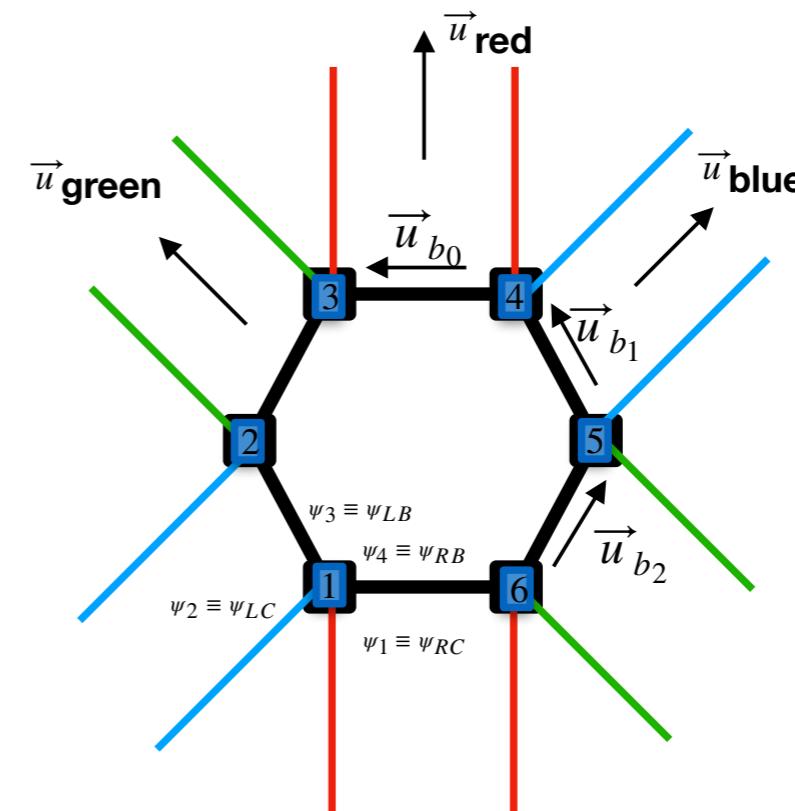
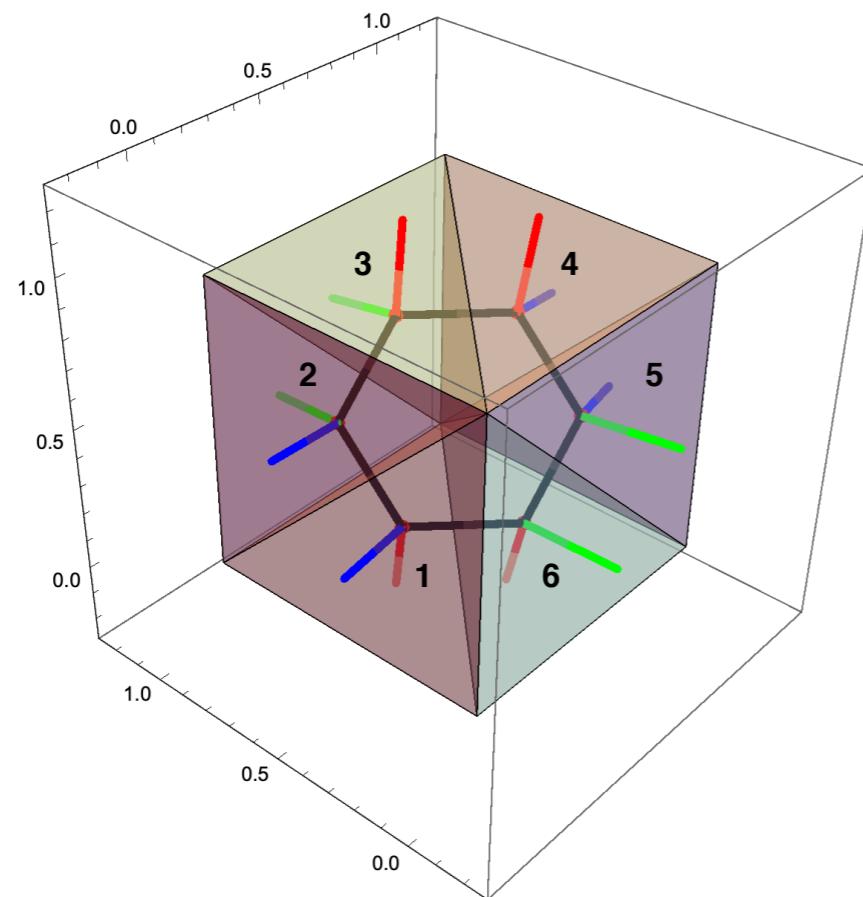


Probability density of a QW in the plane (t,x) , compared with the classical geodesic

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III. Hexagonal and triangular QWs

Quantum simulation in
3D QW triangulated?



III. Hexagonal and triangular QWs

Why are we doing that?

Understanding the fermion propagation
under discrete space-time

Graphene applications

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Possible applications in quantum algorithms

Thank you!