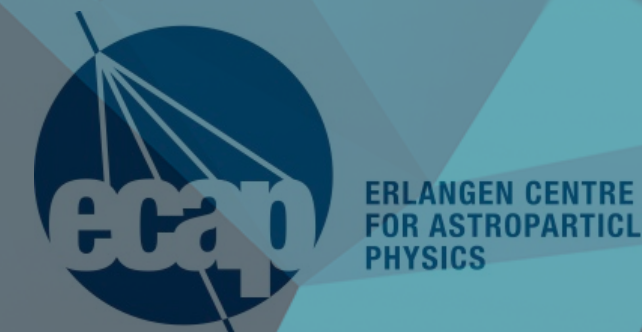


Towards canonical LQG with neural networks

From the basics to 3d gravity in Smolin's weak coupling limit

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Learned some deep things about QG from LQG

▶ Microstates of black holes

▶ Singularity avoidance

▶ ...

One big open question (in my mind):

(Physical!) quantum state of $(1\text{\AA})^4$ of spacetime in this room?



(→ A. Perez: Planck scale DOF)

Idea

Solve constraints of canonical LQG numerically, without symmetry assumption.

Problems:

- ▶ Cutoff: Single graph γ ?
- ▶ Cutoff: j_{\max} ?
- ▶ Exponential growth of Hilbert space:

$$\dim \mathcal{H}_{\text{kin}} \sim (2j_{\max} + 1)^{2|\gamma|}$$

Picture: solid state physics!

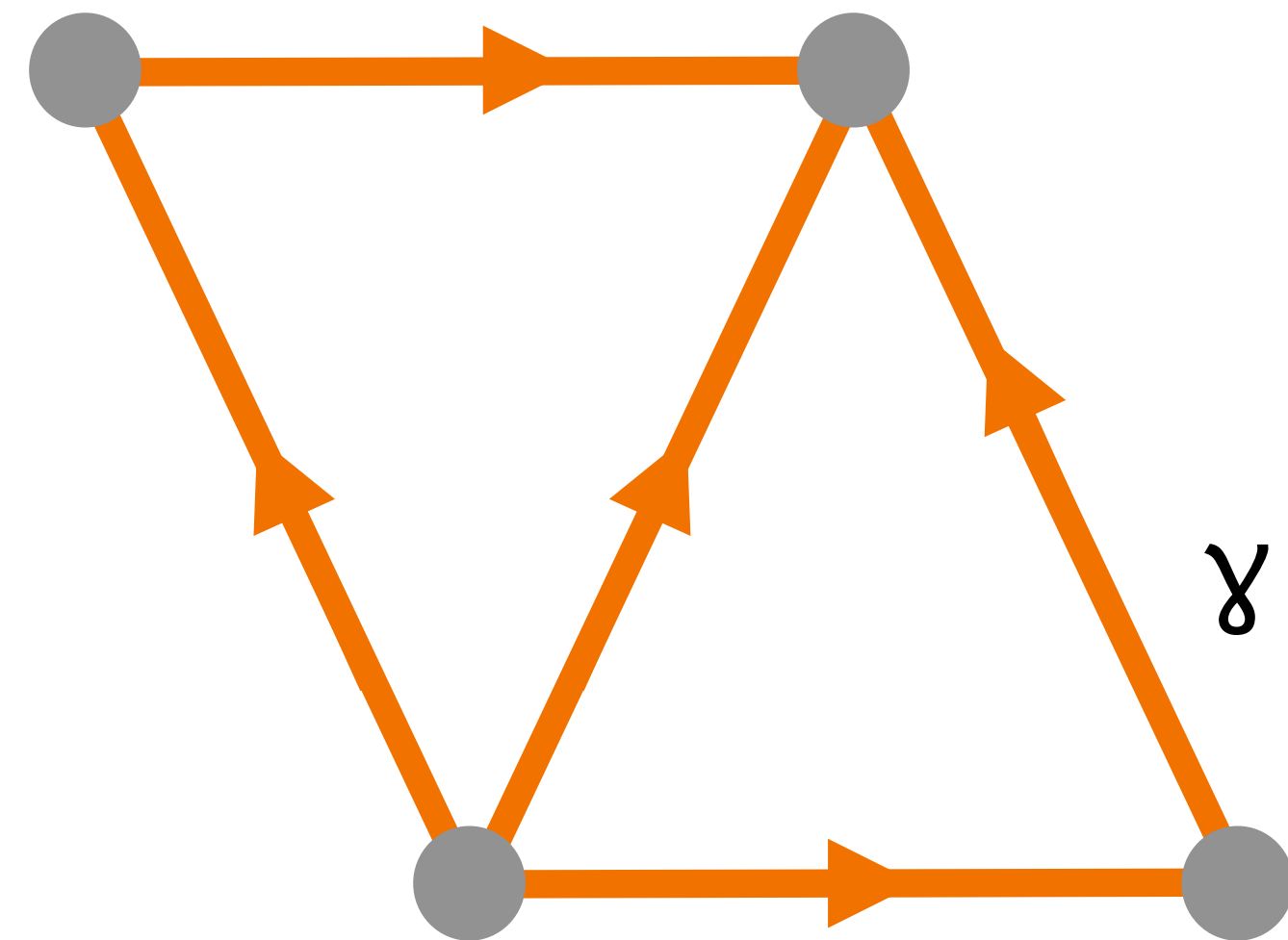
In this talk

Proof of principle, using

- ▶ U(1) BF-Theory [2402.10622]
- ▶ 3d Euclidean gravity in Smolin small coupling limit $SU(2) \rightarrow U(1)^3$ [2405.00661]

▶ Simple graph

Of course: Can be solved analytically (but...)



Exponential growth

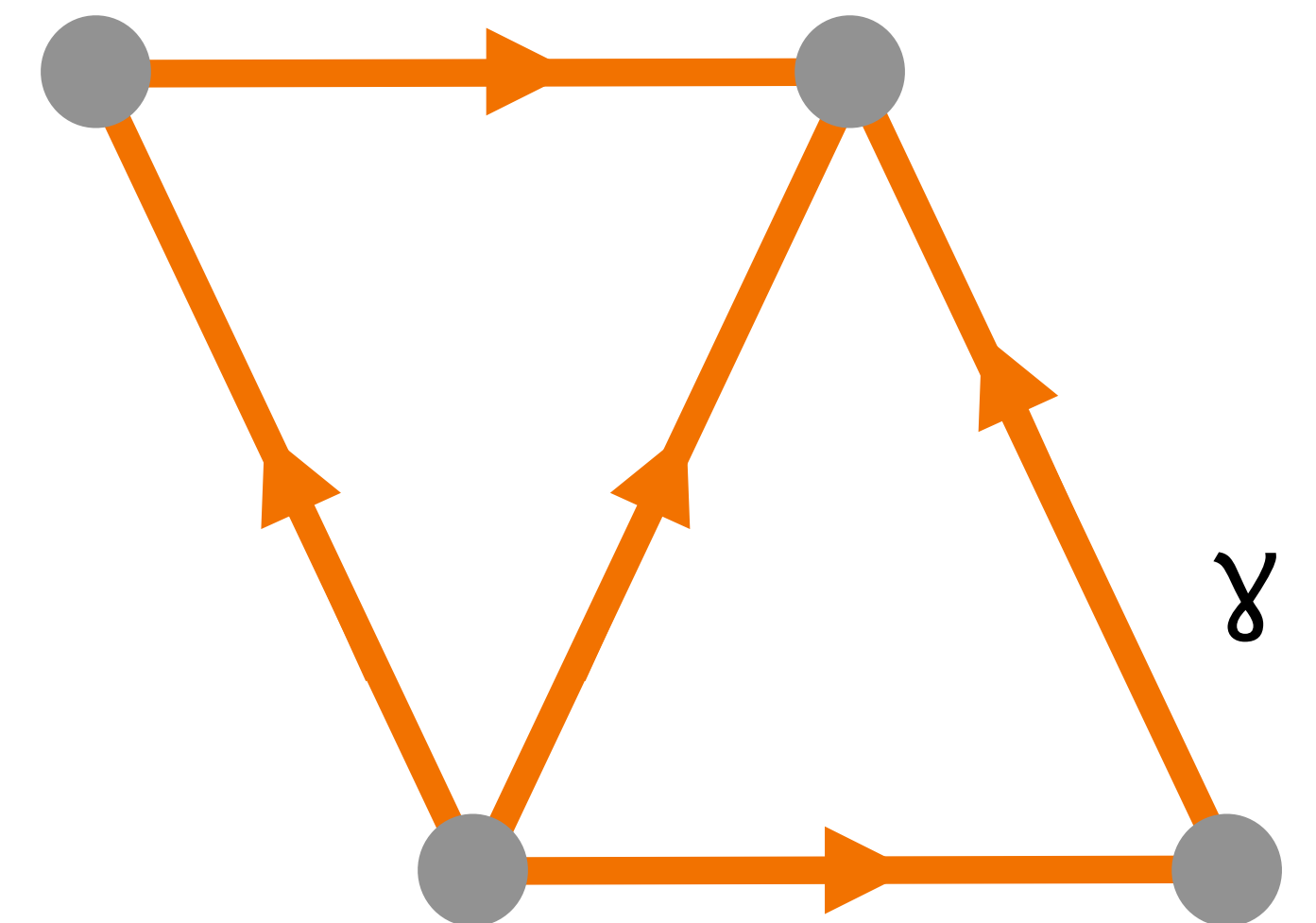
| | $\dim H$ | size Ψ | size C |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| $m_{max} = 1/2$ | 10^4 | 100 kB | 1 GB |
| $m_{max} = 1$ | 10^7 | 100 MB | 1 PB |
| $m_{max} = 2$ | 10^{10} | 10 GB | 1 ZB |

- ▶ Need smart Ansatz for the state
- ▶ Need sophisticated software tools

U(1), cutoff:

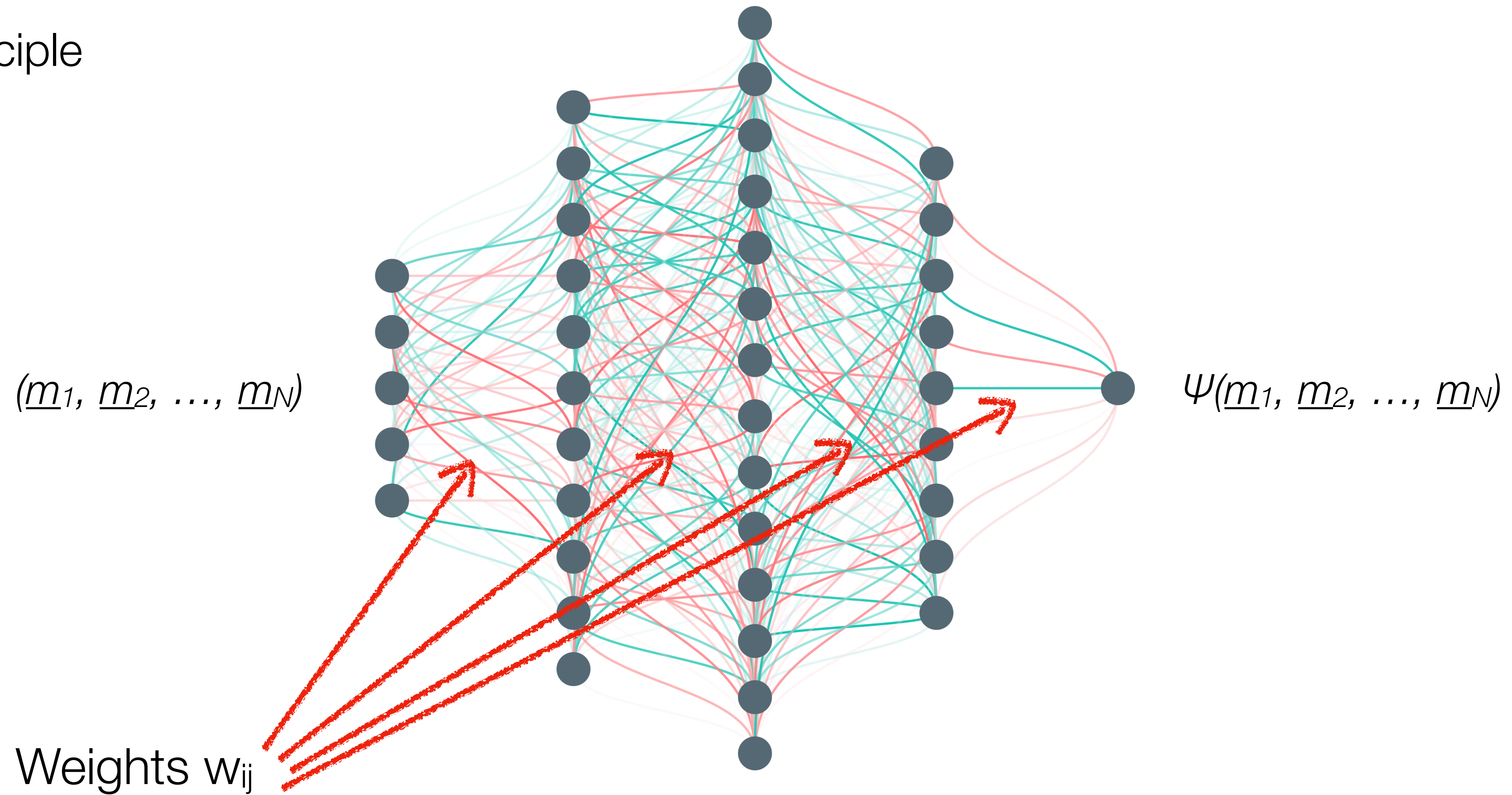
charges $m \in \{-m_{max}, \dots, m_{max}\}$

$$\dim H = (2 m_{max} + 1)^{15}$$



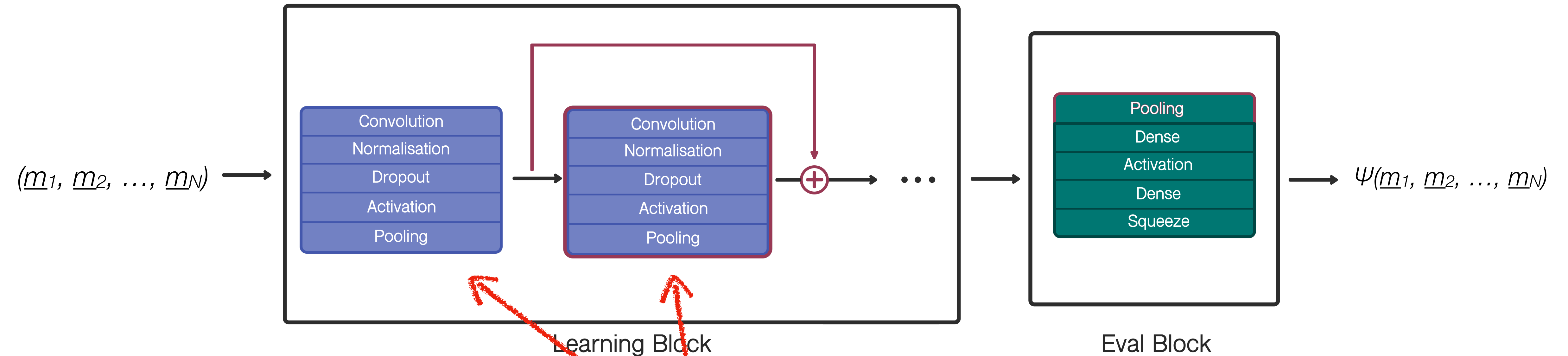
Neural network quantum states

In principle



Neural network quantum states

In practice



Number of blocks scale with size of graph

Other methods: Tensor network states, ex. [Cunningham, Dittrich, Steinhaus]

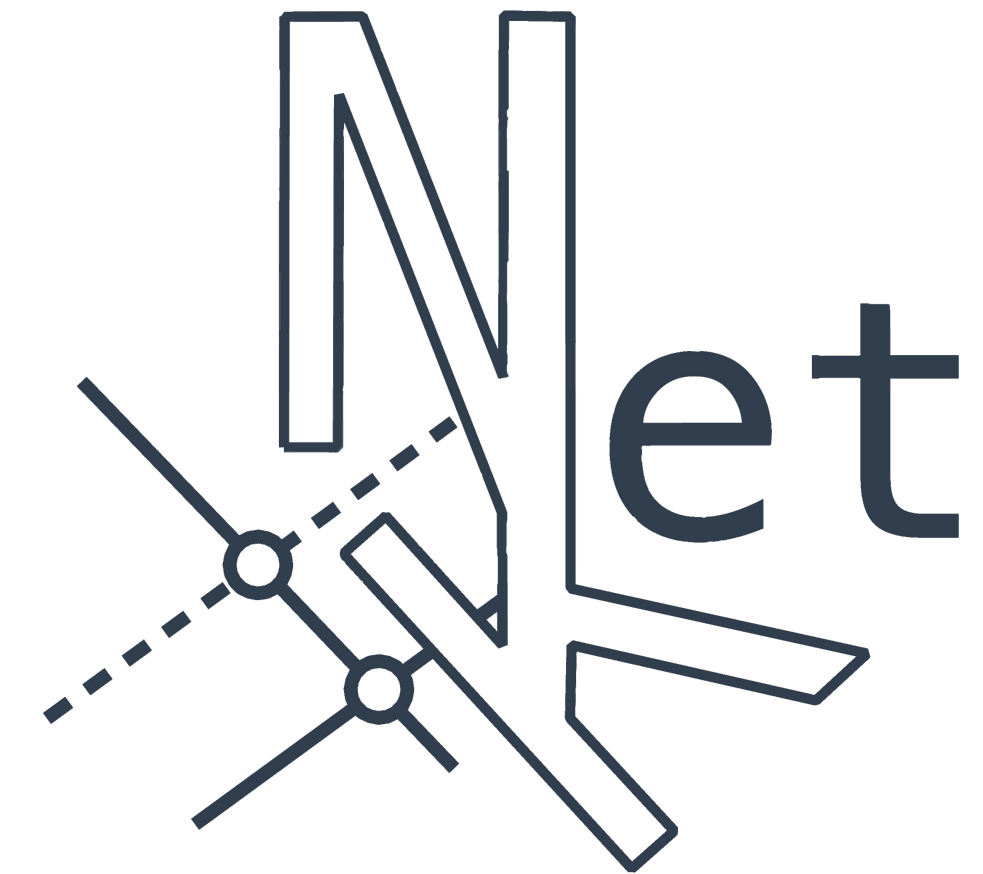
$$\langle C \rangle_{\Psi_w} \stackrel{!}{=} \min$$

Prosaic interpretation: Variational Ansatz for physical state

Romantic interpretation: Special kind of brain learns about gauge invariance etc.

NetKet

- ▶ Differentiable programming for gradient descent
- ▶ Markov-chain Monte Carlo to compute $\langle C \rangle_{\Psi_w}$
- ▶ No need to hold entire C in memory



We did:

- ▶ Custom representation of graphs, holonomies, fluxes
- ▶ Spatial volume operator, constraint operators

Plan: eventually release software package. Dream: Network weights as essence

Quantum constraints

Master constraints:

$$\hat{G}|_\gamma = \sum_{v \in V(\gamma)} \sum_{i=1}^3 (\hat{E}_{S(v),i})^2 \quad (\text{Gau\ss})$$

$$\hat{F}_\gamma = \sum_{\alpha \in L(\gamma)} \text{tr} \left[\left(\hat{h}_\alpha - \mathbb{1} \right) \left(\hat{h}_\alpha^\dagger - \mathbb{1} \right) \right] \quad (\text{Curvature})$$

Thiemann-regularized Hamilton constraint: (TRC) [Thiemann: QSD IV]

$$\hat{H}_{T(\gamma)}(N) = \frac{2}{\hbar^2} \sum_{\Delta, \Delta' \in T, v} \epsilon^{ij} \epsilon^{kl} N(v) \text{tr}(\hat{h}_{\alpha_{ij}(\Delta')} \hat{h}_{s_k(\Delta)} [\hat{h}_{s_k(\Delta)}^{-1}, \sqrt{\hat{V}_v}] \hat{h}_{s_l(\Delta)} [\hat{h}_{s_l(\Delta)}^{-1}, \sqrt{\hat{V}_v}])$$

Cutoffs

Representations:

$$U(1)^3 \longrightarrow U(1)_q^3$$

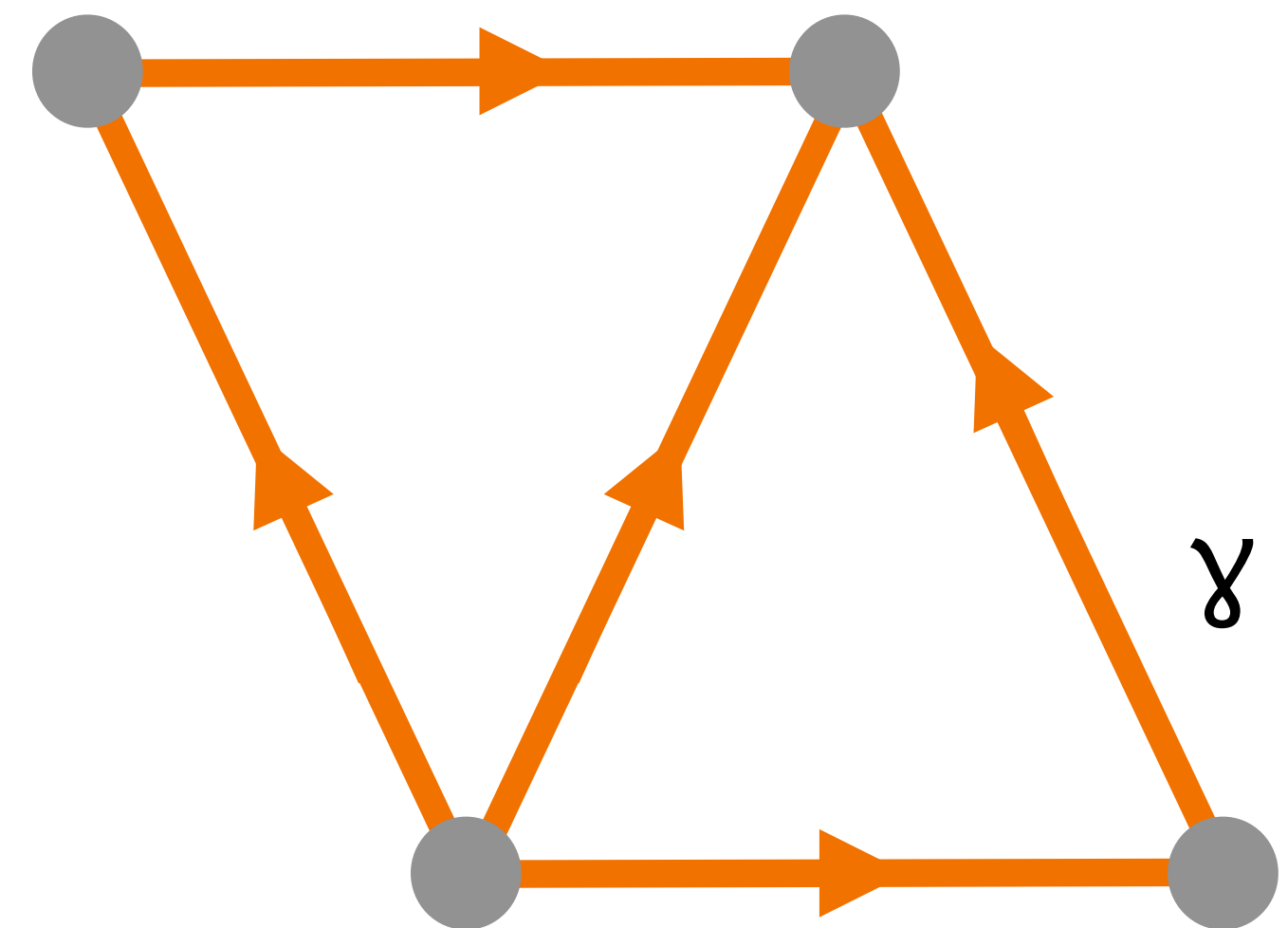
$$\text{charges} \in \{-m_{\max}, -m_{\max} + 1, \dots, m_{\max}\}$$

▶ $\text{tr}(h_e)$ not gauge invariant

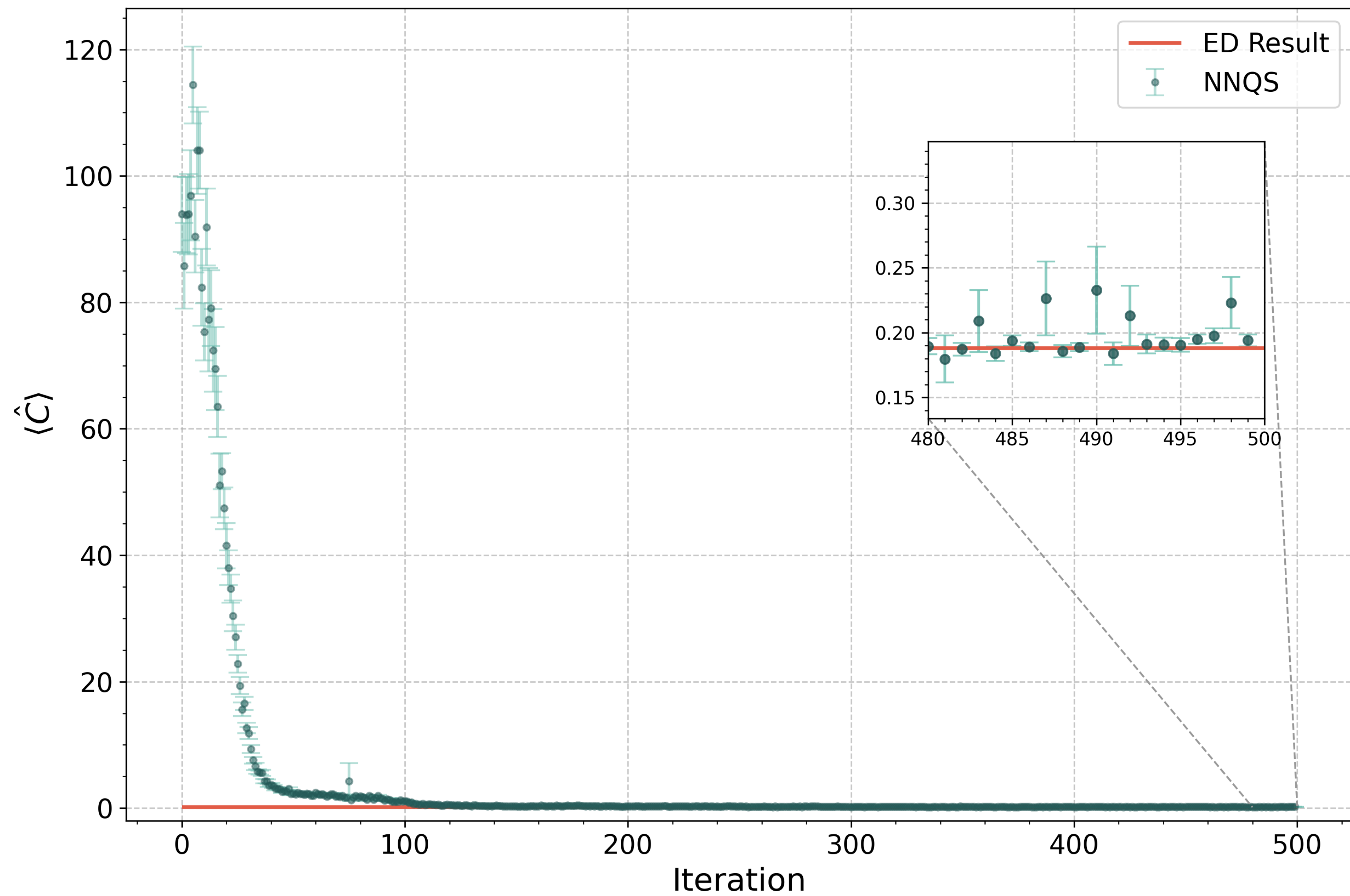
▶ Non-trivial theory



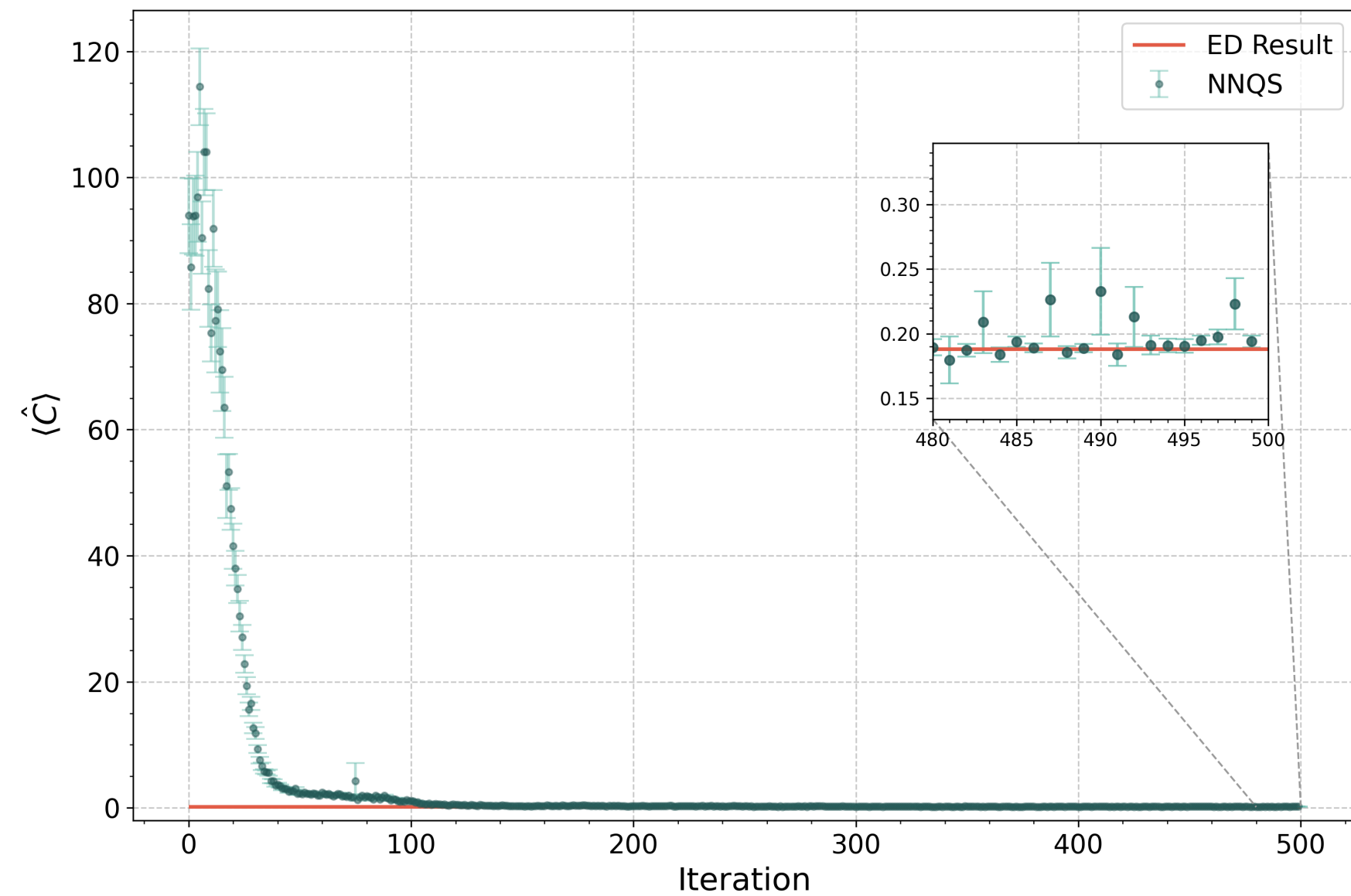
Graph:



Sanity checks: U(1) BF



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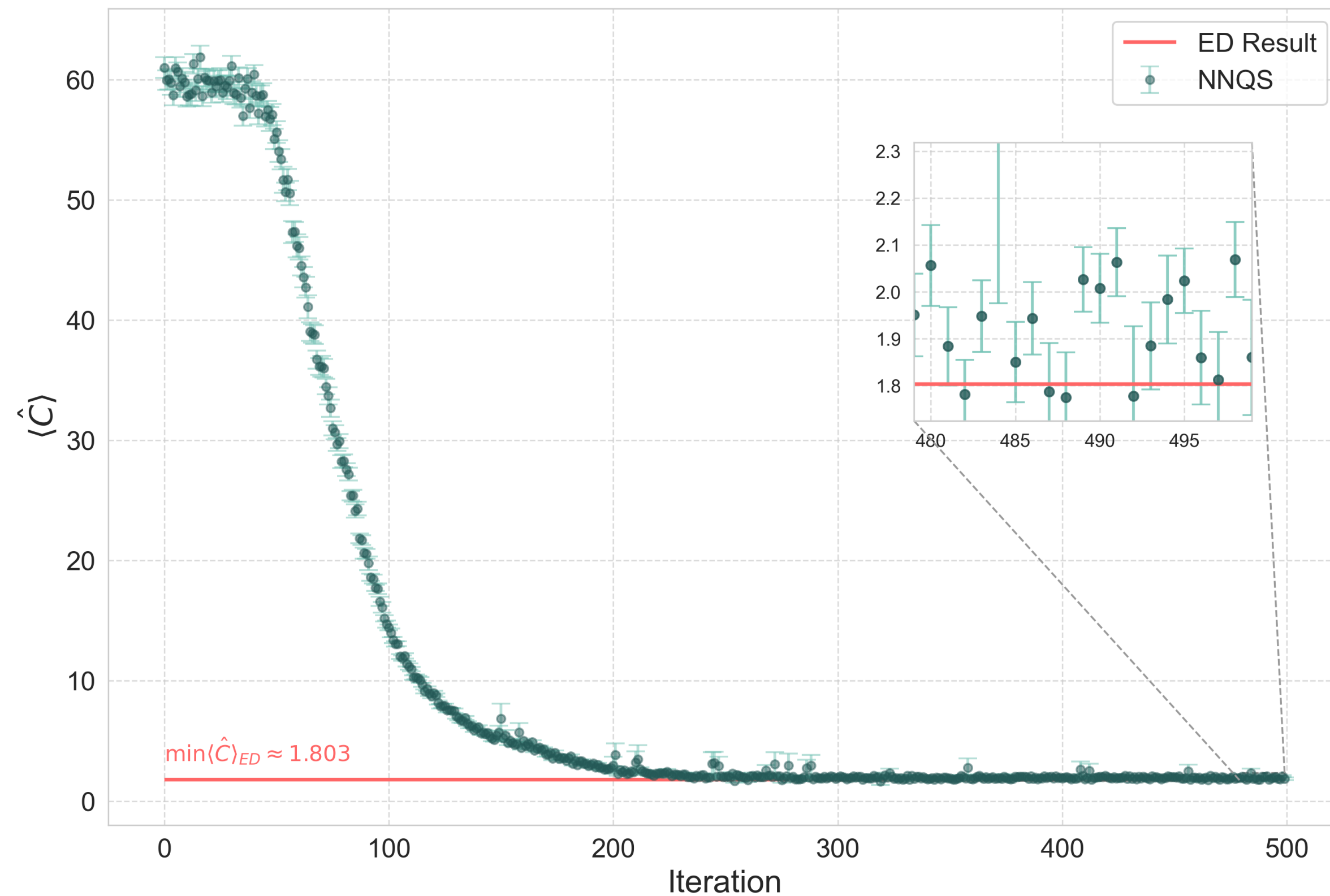
| m_{\max} | $\min \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\text{ED}}$ | $\min \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{\text{NN}}$ | Accuracy (%) | $\langle \Psi^{(\text{NN})} \Psi^{(\text{ED})} \rangle^2$ |
|------------|--|--|--------------|---|
| 1 | 0.835968 | 0.99866 ± 0.00028 | 80.538 | 0.9895 |
| 2 | 0.601165 | 0.625 ± 0.0013 | 96.034 | 0.9979 |
| 3 | 0.389553 | 0.3942 ± 0.0045 | 98.818 | 0.996 |
| 4 | 0.263623 | 0.2648 ± 0.0013 | 99.539 | 0.9906 |
| 5 | 0.187973 | 0.1882 ± 0.0017 | 99.853 | 0.989 |
| 6 | 0.140084 | 0.1412 ± 0.0035 | 99.189 | 0.9834 |
| 7 | 0.108159 | 0.1133 ± 0.0066 | 95.218 | 0.983 |
| 8 | 0.085918 | 0.0833 ± 0.0079 | 96.931 | 0.9598 |

► Good approximation

► $m_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$ looks reasonable

► $m_{\max} = 8$: $\dim H = 1.4 * 10^6$
 $\#(\text{weights}) = 4 * 10^4$

$U(1)^3$ with master constraints



| m_{max} | $\min \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{(ED)}^{**}$ | $\min \langle \hat{C} \rangle_{(NN)}$ | Accuracy (%) |
|-----------|--|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | 2.507903 | 2.998 ± 0.017 | 80.441 |
| 2 | 1.803495 | 1.74 ± 0.16 | 96.286 |
| 3 | 1.168658 | 1.12 ± 0.11 | 96.069 |
| 4 | 0.790868 | 0.84 ± 0.21 | 93.788 |

- ▶ Convergence!
- ▶ Same architecture works
- ▶ Way beyond exact diagonalization

▶ $m_{max} = 2$: $\dim H = 3 * 10^{10}$
 #(weights) = $6 * 10^3$

$U(1)^3$ with master constraints

$m_{max} = 4$ entails:

- ▶ $\dim H = 10^{12}$
- ▶ Constraint represented naively as matrix would be 10^{18} TB



But:

- ▶ 42 000 weights
- ▶ 30 Minutes as base level HPC job

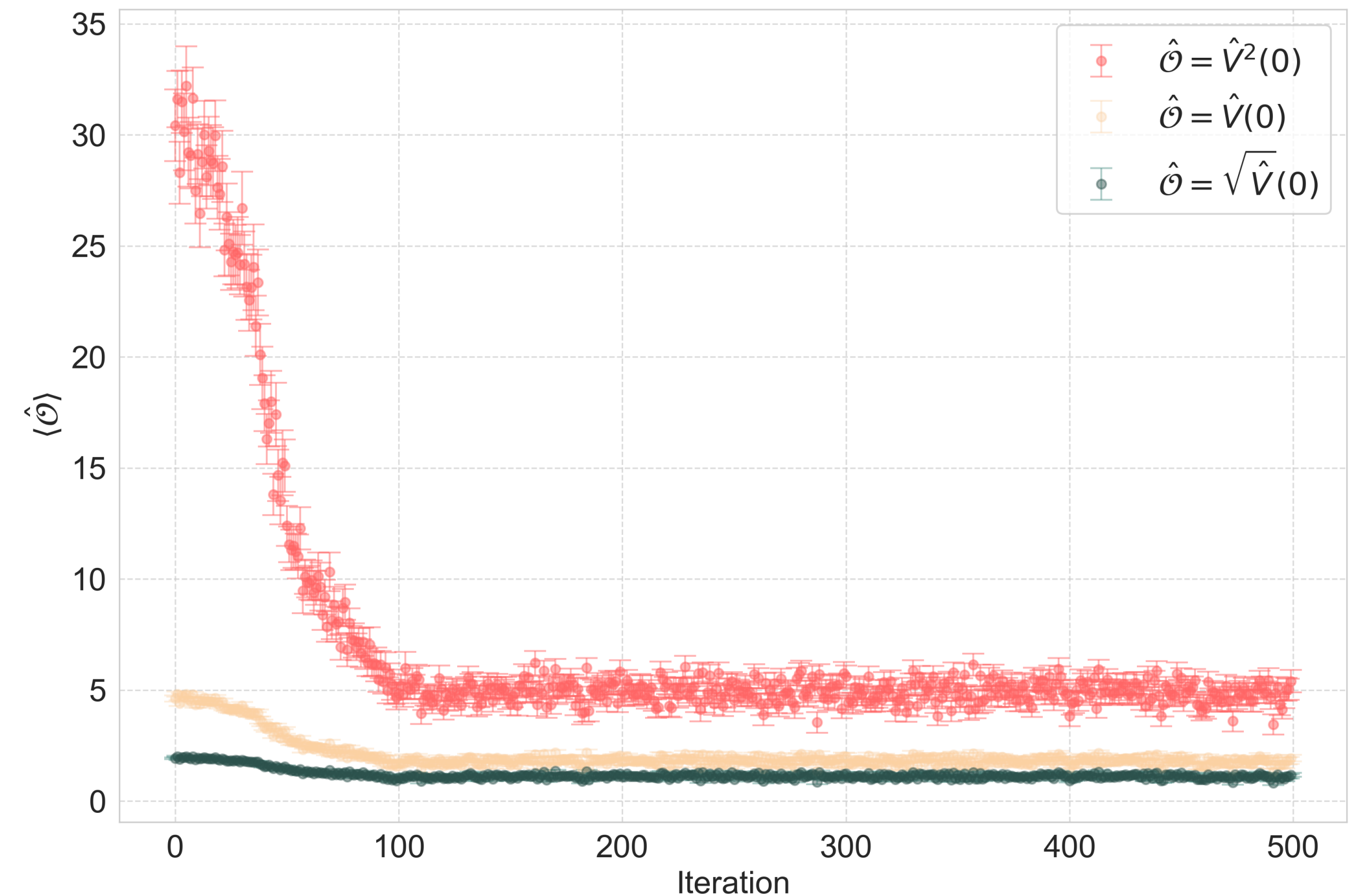


$U(1)^3$: Operators

Volume [Thiemann: QSD IV]

$$\hat{V}(B) := \sum_{v \in V(\gamma) \cap B} \hat{V}_v, \quad \hat{V}_v := \sqrt{\sum_I \left(\sum_{e, e' \text{ at } v} \text{sign}(e, e') \epsilon_{IJK} X_e^J X_{e'}^K \right)^2}$$

- ▶ Can deal with complicated operators
- ▶ Have checked expected behavior



$U(1)^3$: Thiemann-regulated constraint [Thiemann: QSD IV]

$$\hat{H}_{T(\gamma)}(N) = \frac{2}{\hbar^2} \sum_{\Delta, \Delta' \in T, v} \epsilon^{ij} \epsilon^{kl} N(v) \operatorname{tr}(\hat{h}_{\alpha_{ij}(\Delta')} \hat{h}_{s_k(\Delta)} [\hat{h}_{s_k(\Delta)}^{-1}, \sqrt{\hat{V}_v}] \hat{h}_{s_l(\Delta)} [\hat{h}_{s_l(\Delta)}^{-1}, \sqrt{\hat{V}_v}])$$

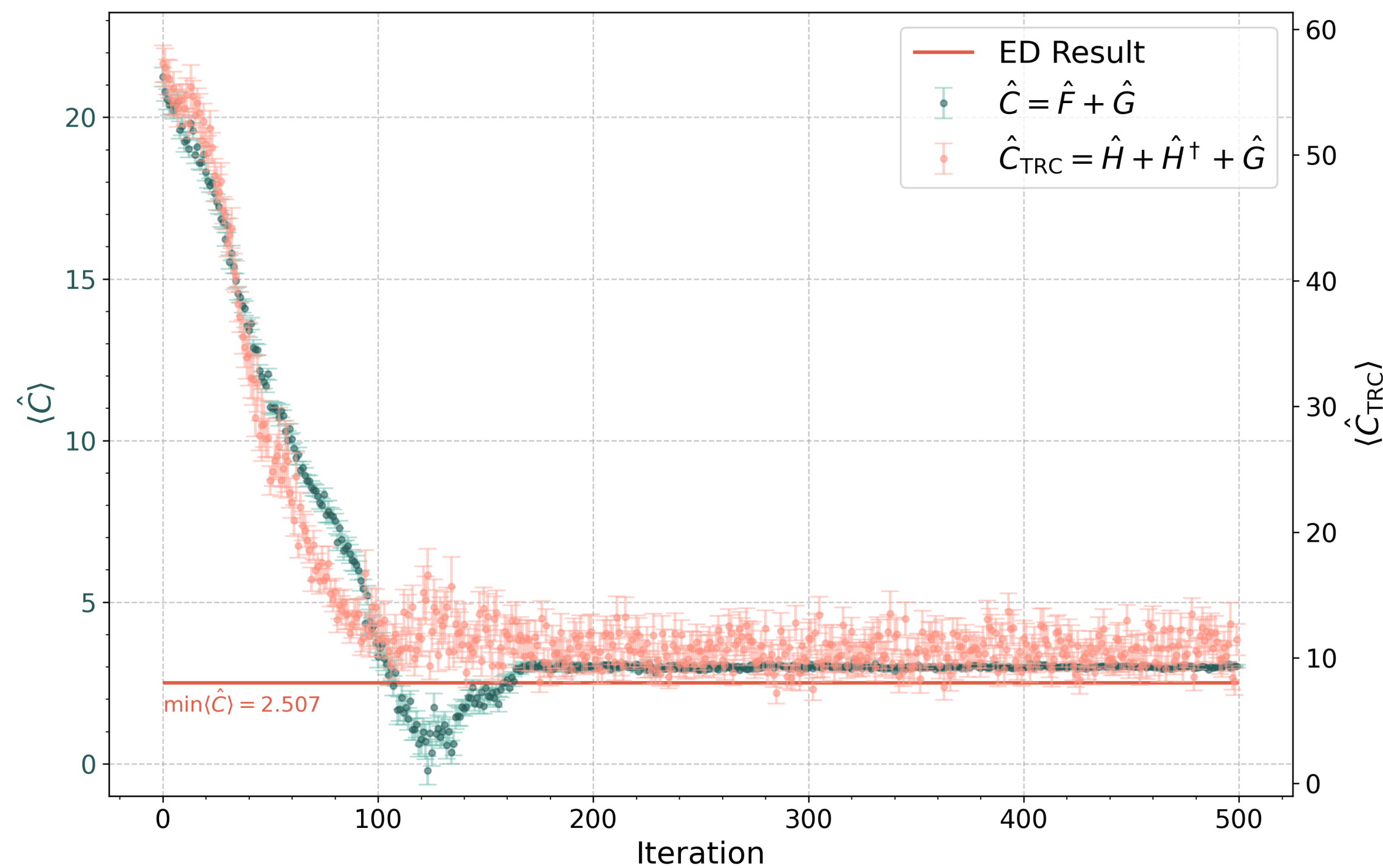
$$\hat{C}_{\text{TRC}} = \hat{H} + \hat{H}^\dagger + \hat{G}.$$

Cautious remarks

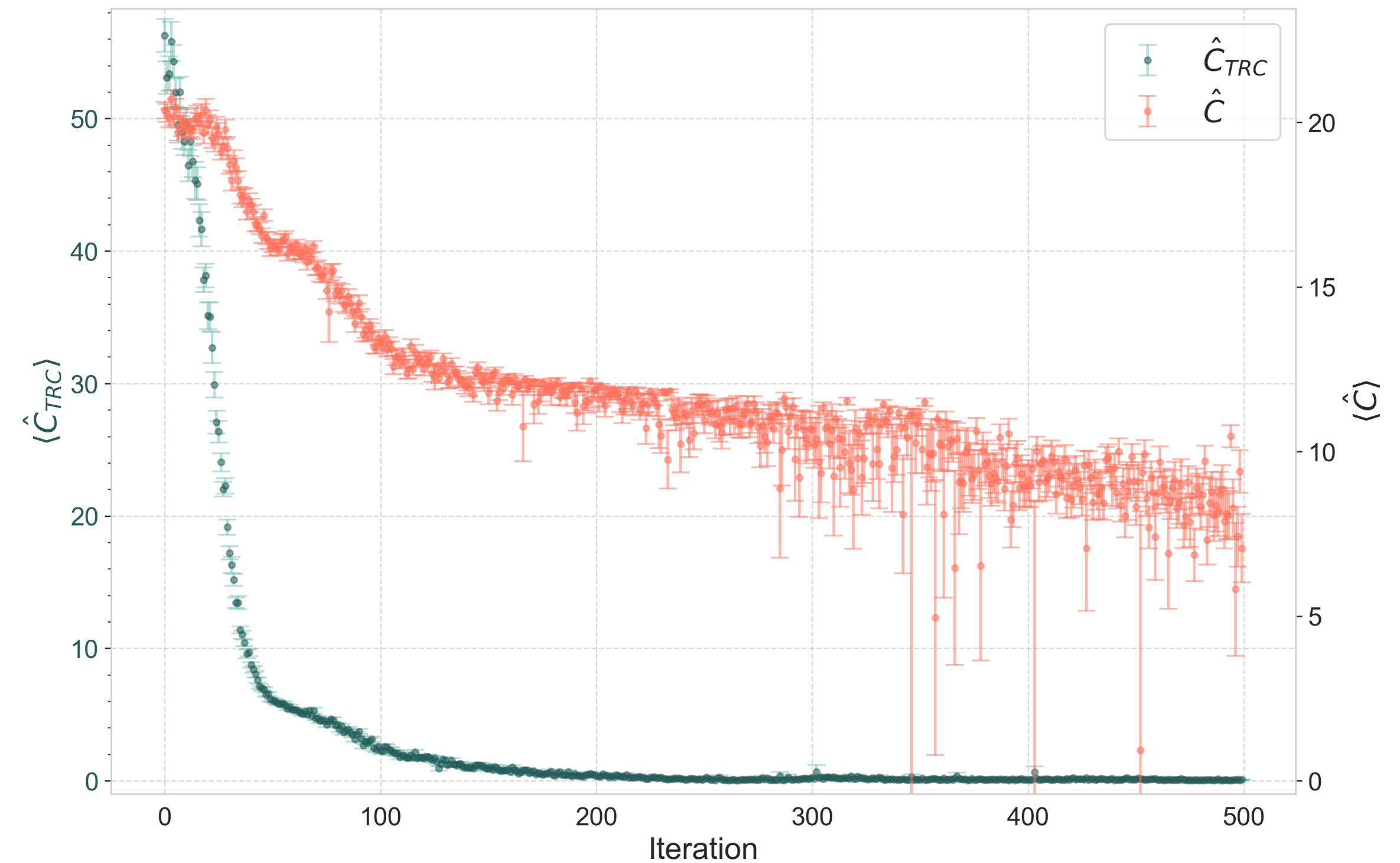
- ▶ More complicated than 4d!
- ▶ Not master constraint $\hat{H}\hat{H}^\dagger + G$
- ▶ Just approximate solution
- ▶ $\sqrt{\hat{V}}$ via Taylor expansion
- ▶ (Mostly) no diffeo constraint

Solving C , C_{TRC}

C , C_{TRC} look very different. So, do they have anything in common?



Solving C , observing C_{TRC}



Solving C_{TRC} , observing C

The solutions have a small overlap:

$$|\langle \Psi_{\hat{C}_{\text{TRC}}} | \Psi_{\hat{C}} \rangle|^2 \approx 0.0308 \quad , \quad \arccos |\langle \Psi_{\hat{C}_{\text{TRC}}} | \Psi_{\hat{C}} \rangle| \approx 1.394 \text{rad}$$

However, this is not an accident. If they were

$$P_N^{\mathbb{C}}(|\langle \Psi_{\hat{C}_{\text{TRC}}} | \Psi_{\hat{C}} \rangle|^2 \geq 0.0308) \sim 10^{-194953}$$

$$P_{NG}^{\mathbb{C}}(|\langle \Psi_{\hat{C}_{\text{TRC}}} | \Psi_{\hat{C}} \rangle|^2 \geq 0.0308) \sim 10^{-10}$$

$$P_{NG}^{\mathbb{R}}(|\langle \Psi_{\hat{C}_{\text{TRC}}} | \Psi_{\hat{C}} \rangle|^2 \geq 0.0308) \sim 10^{-5}$$

Preliminary:

Implementation of diffeo = average over graph symmetries

► Overlap gets slightly bigger

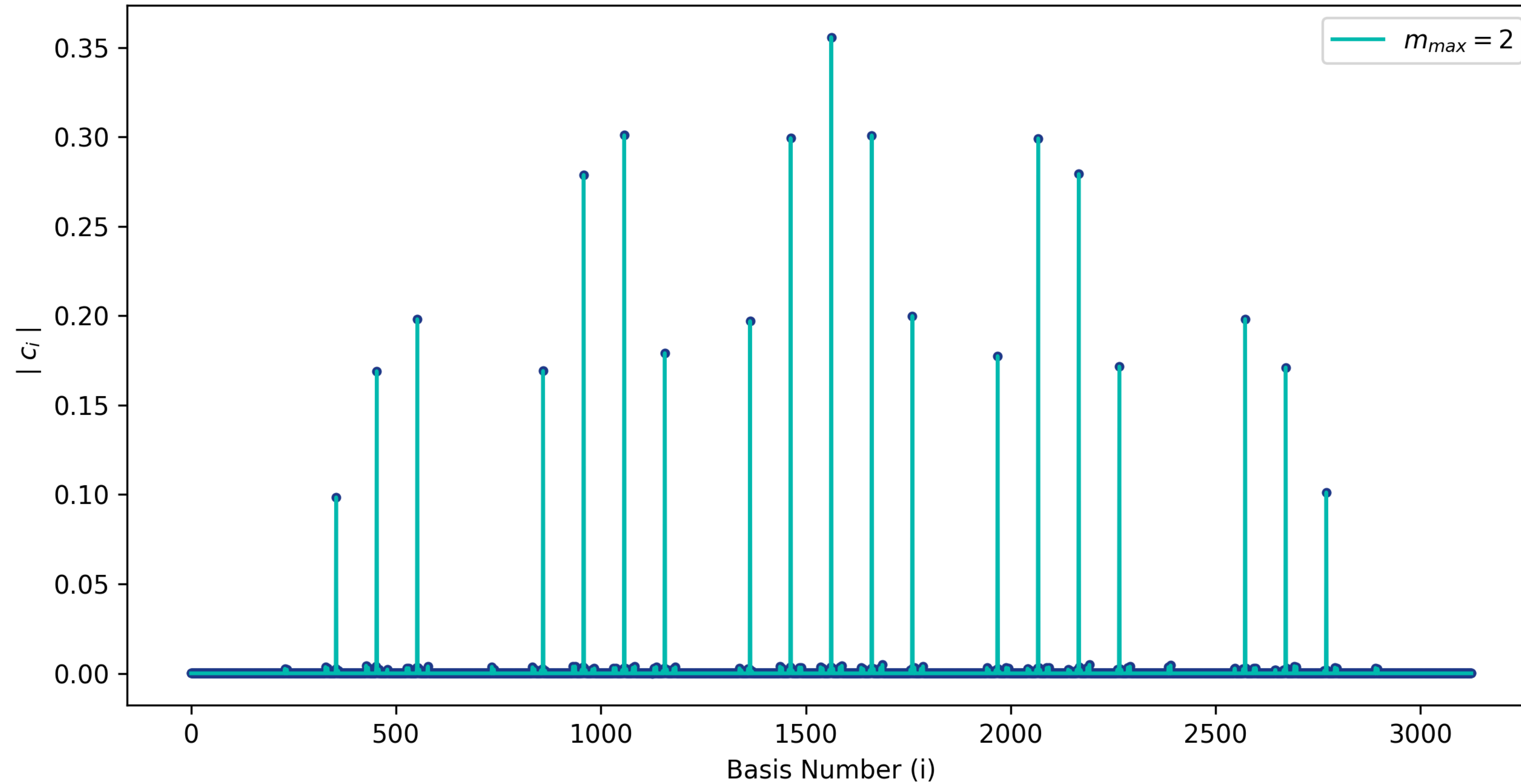
Summary

- ▶ Neural networks can in principle par
- ▶ NetKet:
 - * Strong enough to represent LQG-t
 - * Powerful numerical capabilities
- ▶ Exponential growth of $\dim H$ always
 - * Cutoffs too severe?
 - * Start from gauge invariant descript
- ▶ Need to go to 4d and $SU(2)$, need (r
- ▶ We live exciting times



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Sanity checks: U(1) BF



Gauge invariant subspace is selected