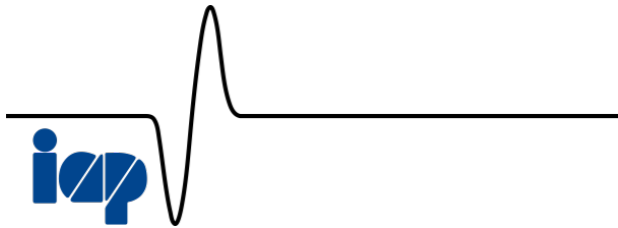


# Localization, Revivals, and Ballistic spread in One-dimensional Electric Quantum Walks



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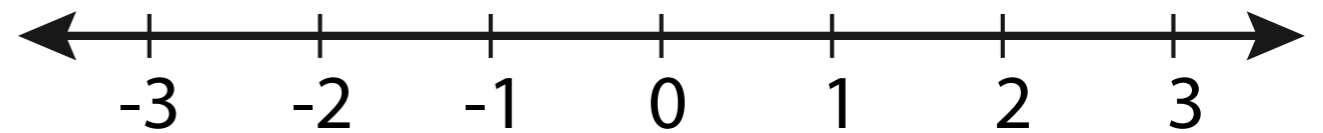
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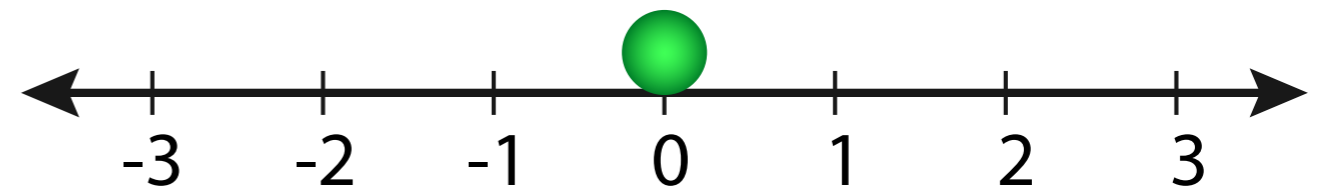
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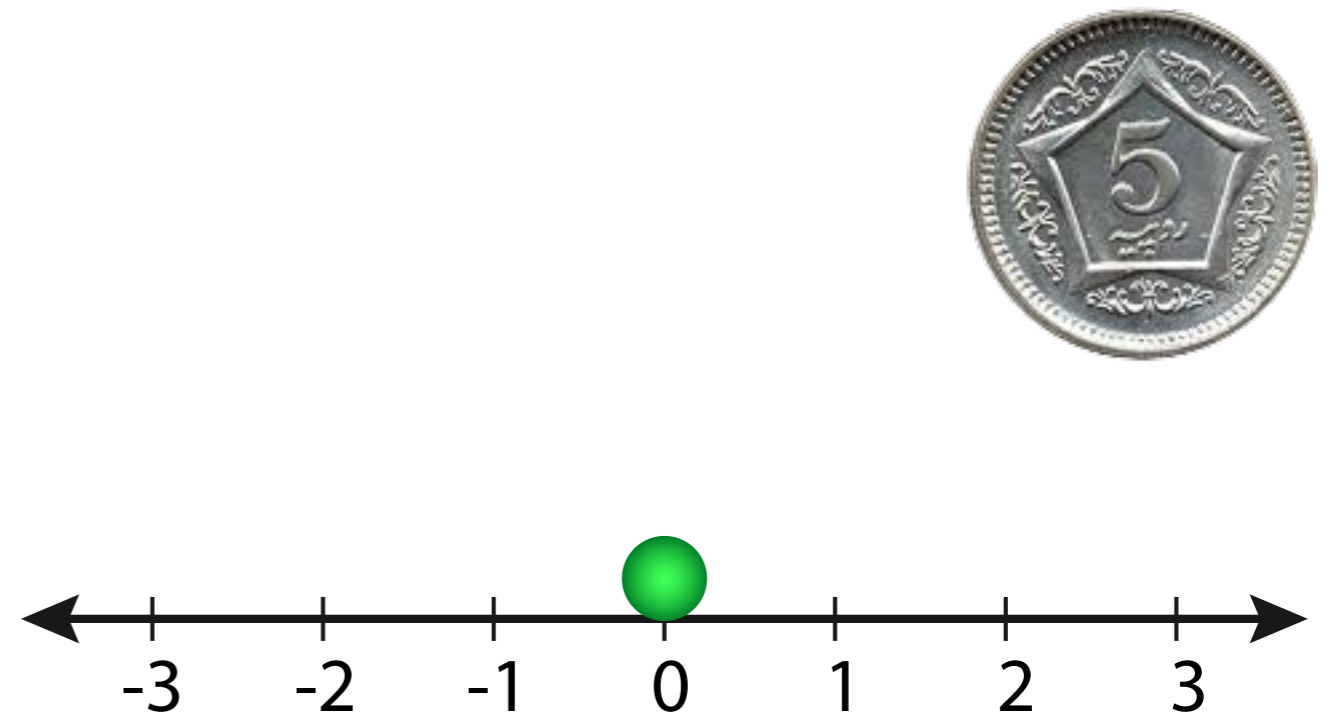






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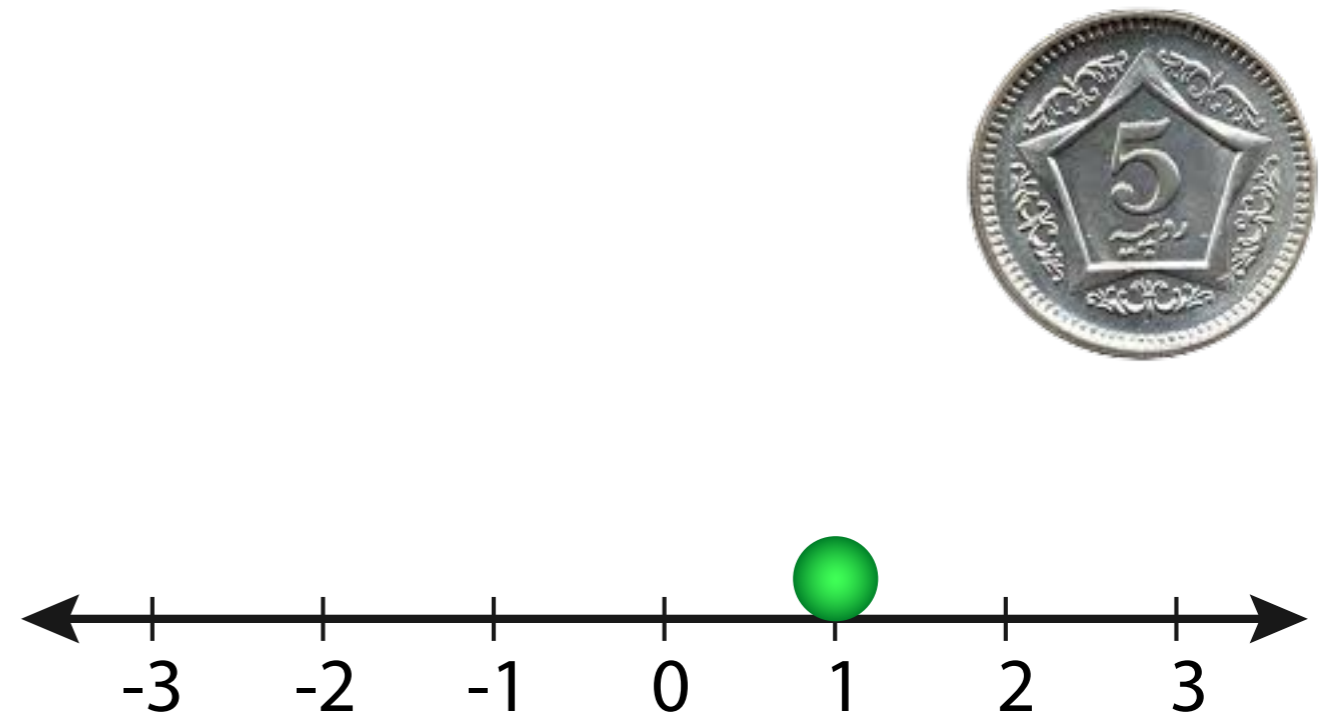
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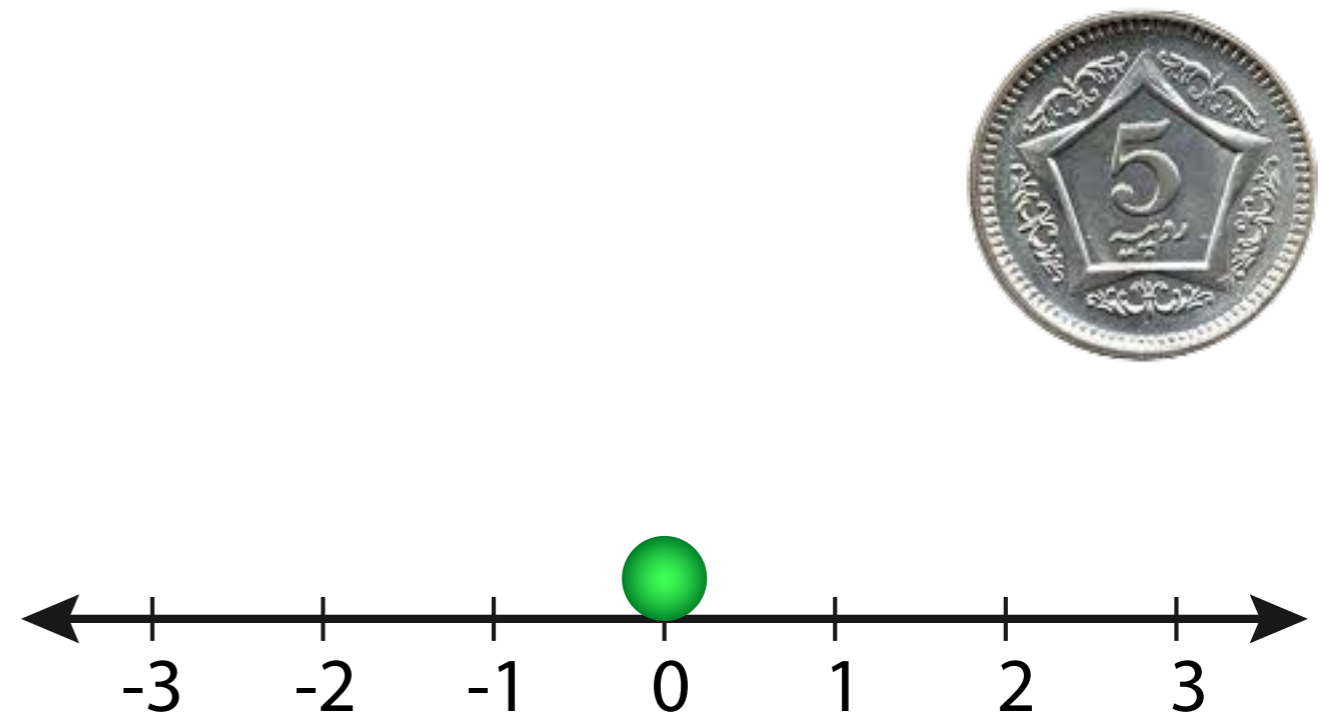
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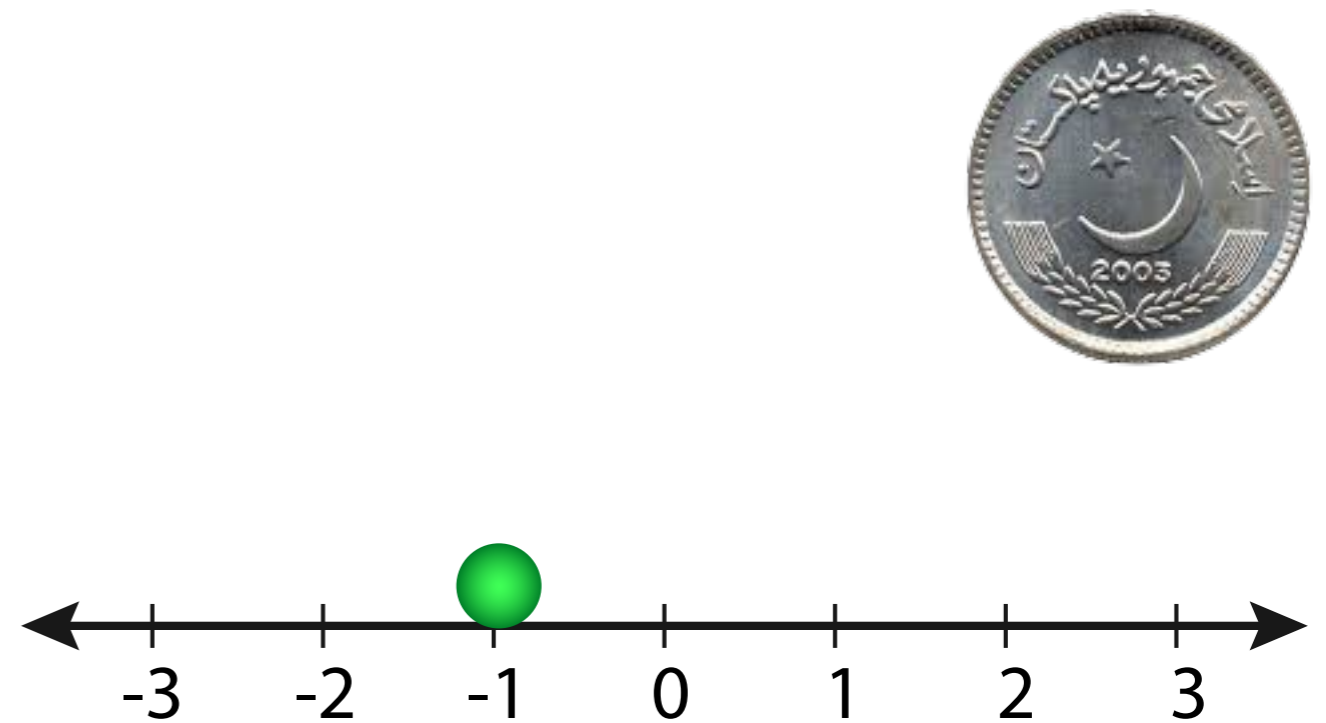
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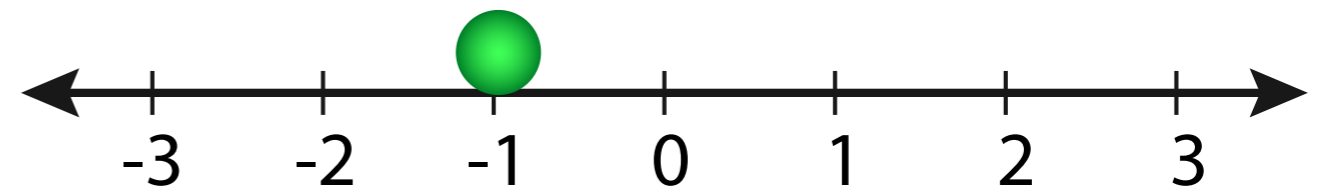
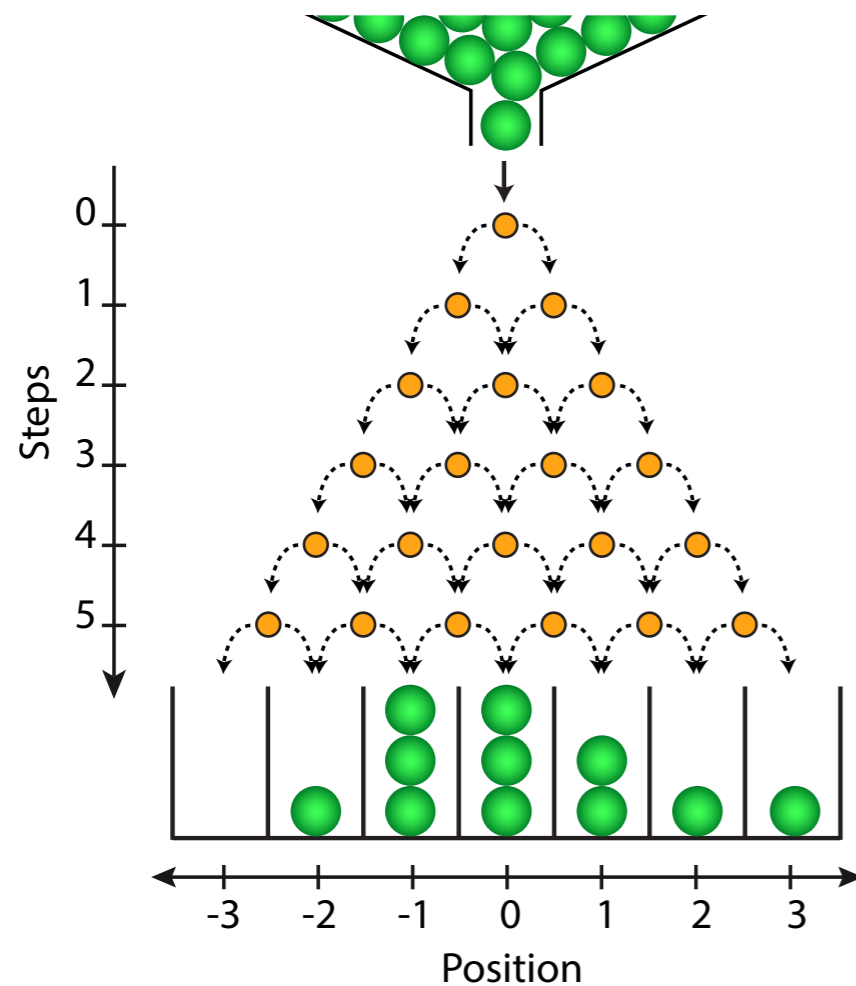




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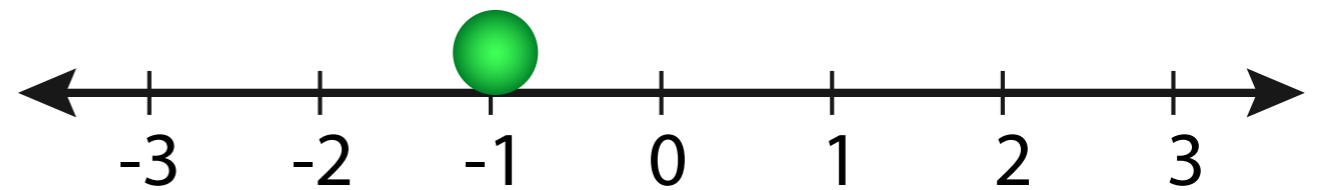
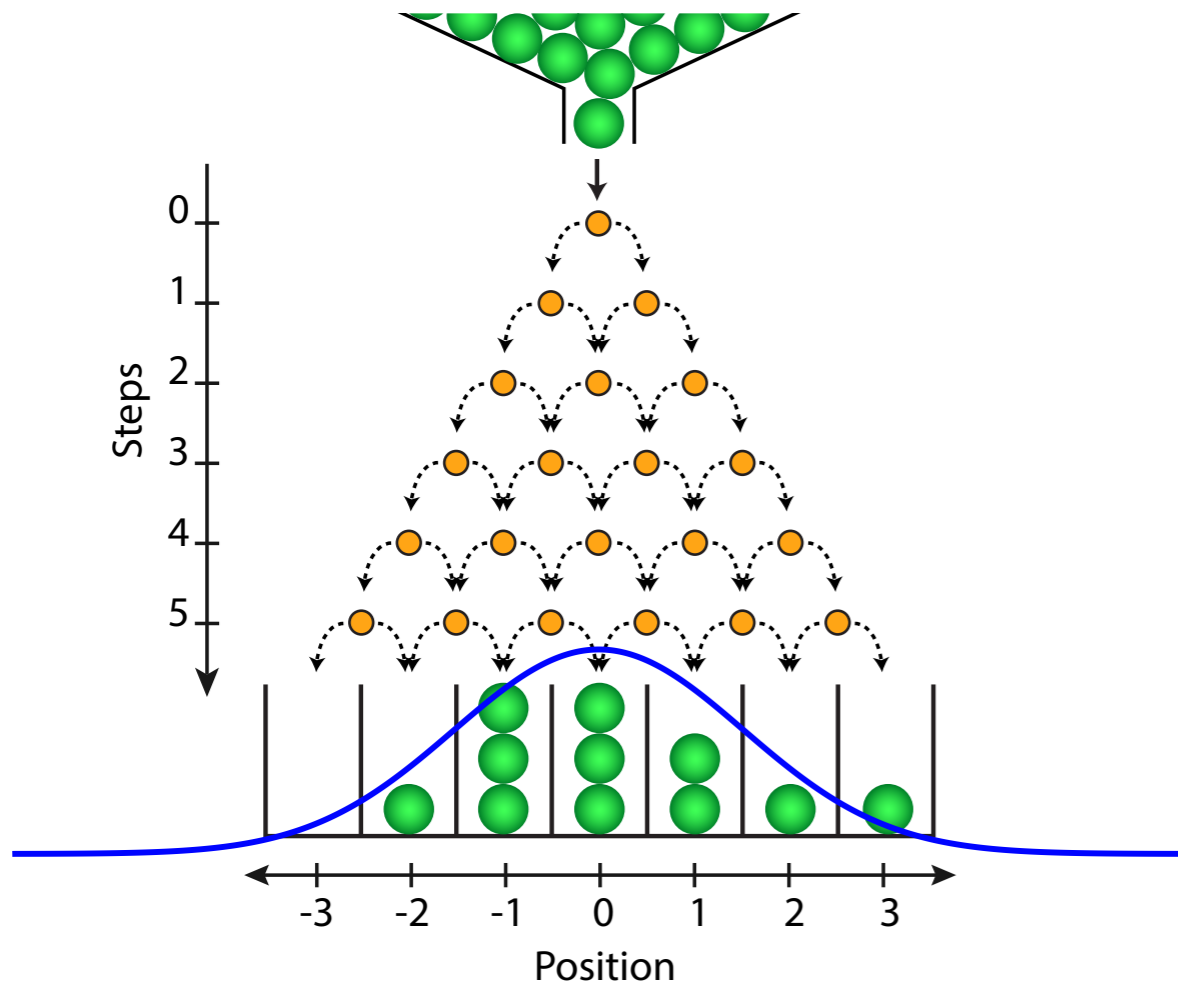




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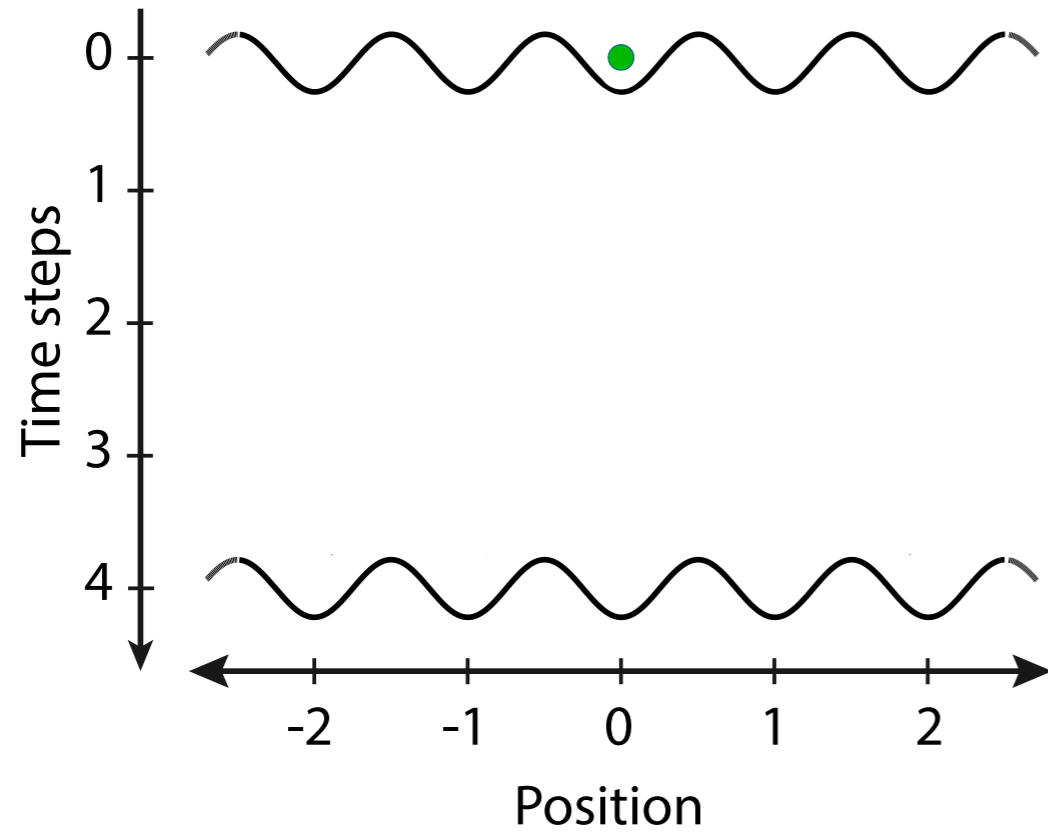
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Physics (Brownian motion) , economics (Price forecast in stock market), computer science (as basic framework for search algorithms).



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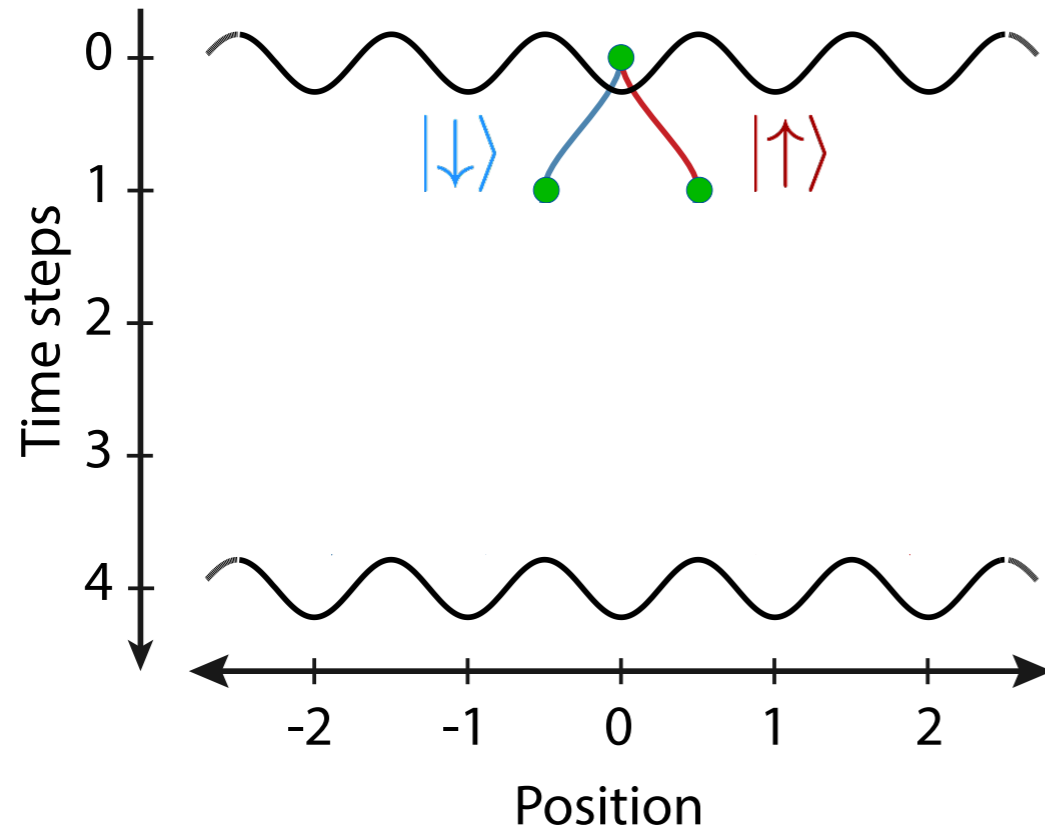


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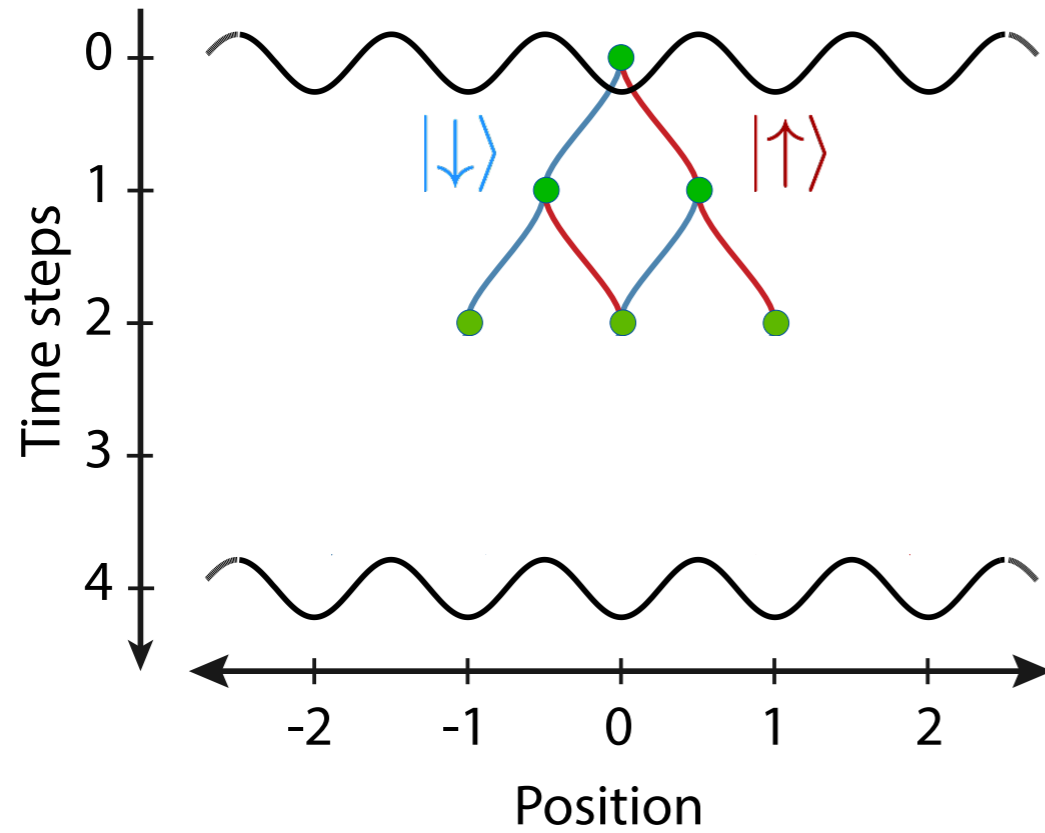
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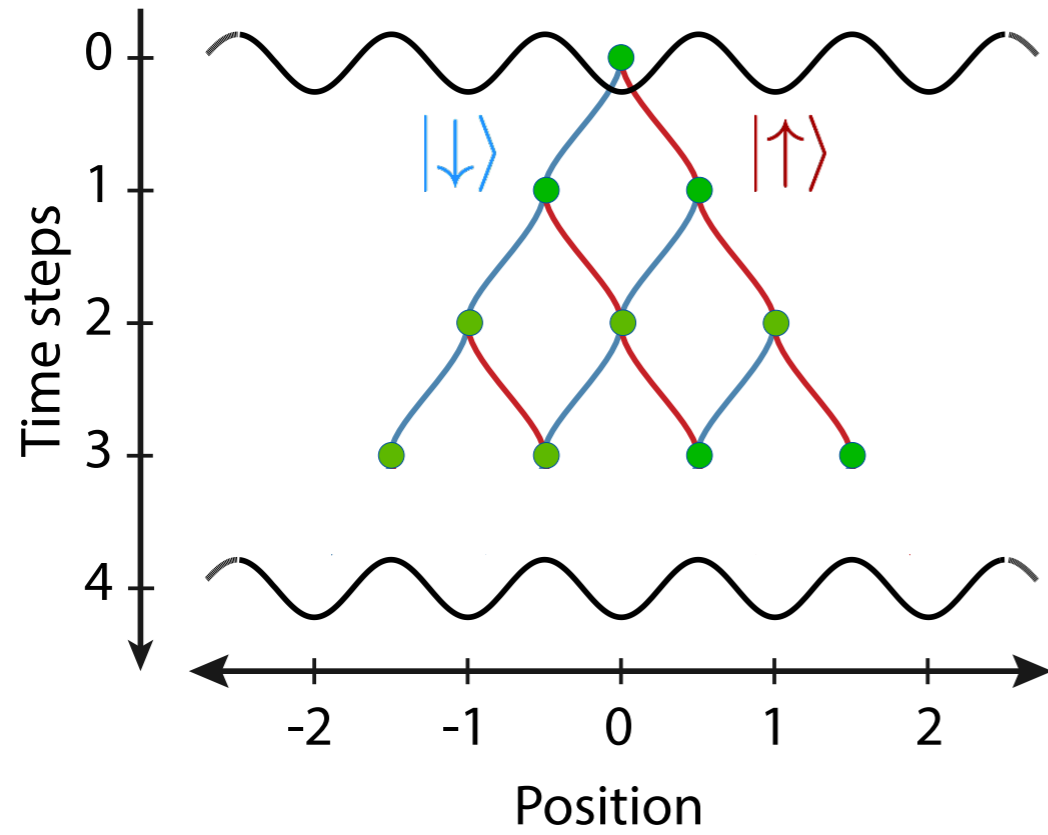
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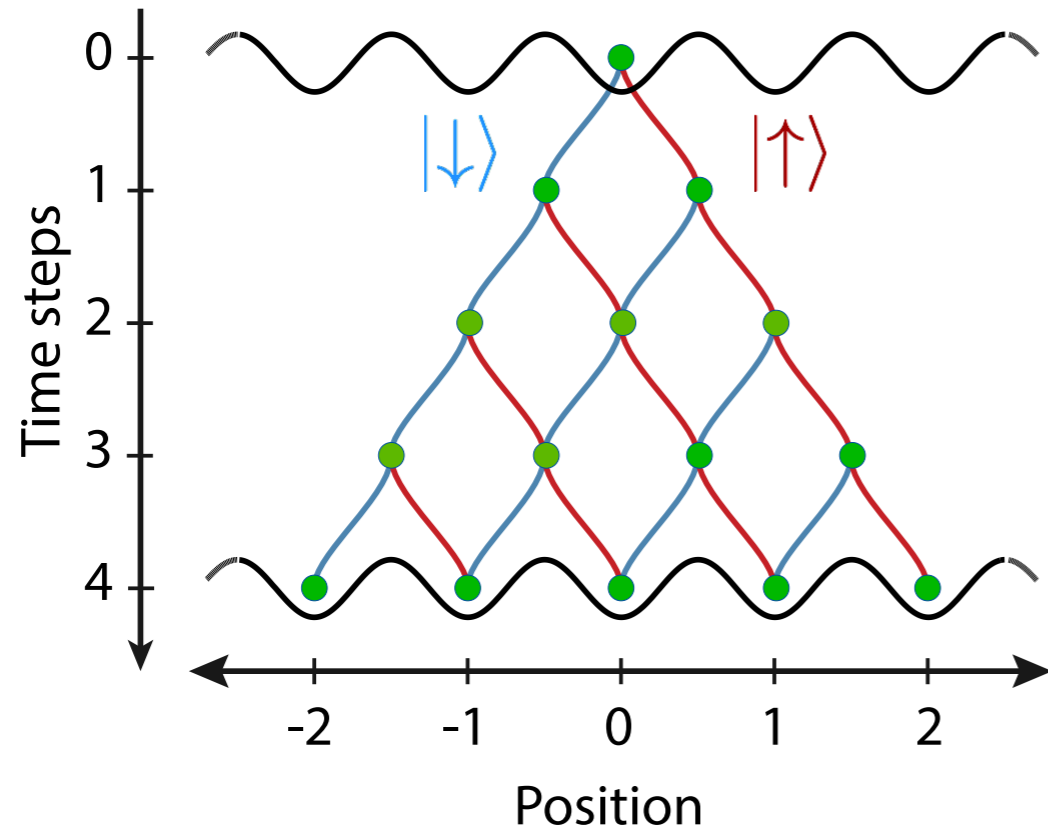
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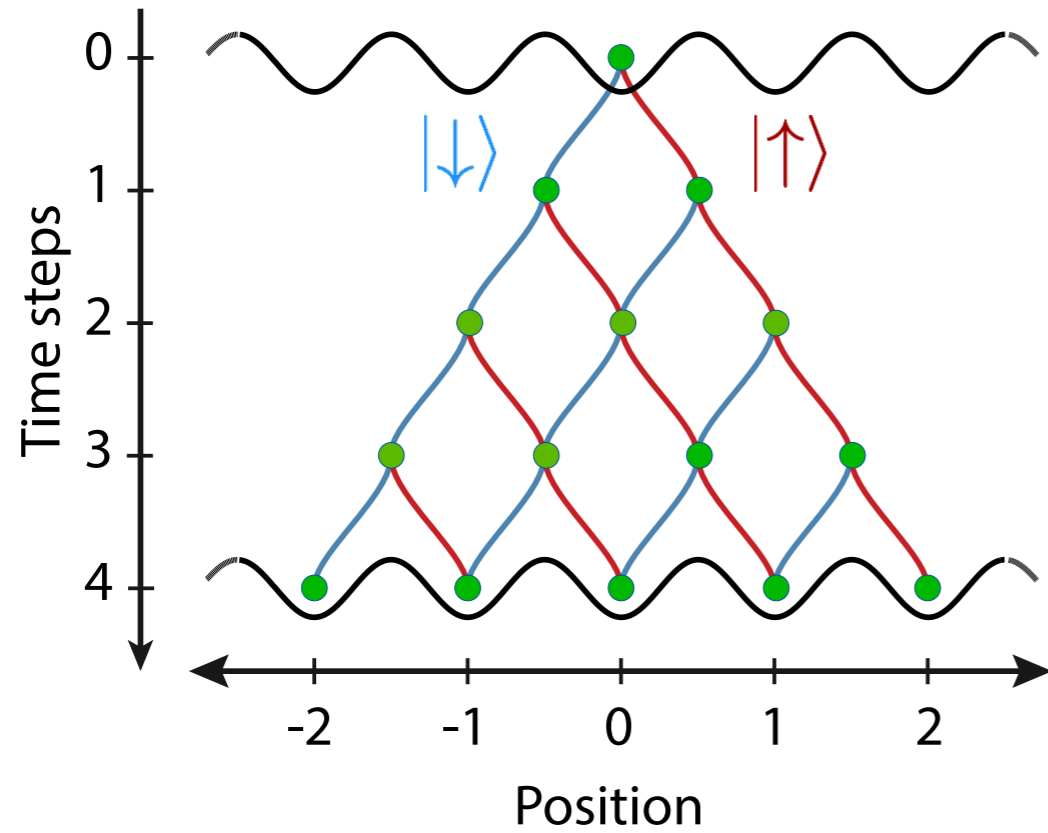
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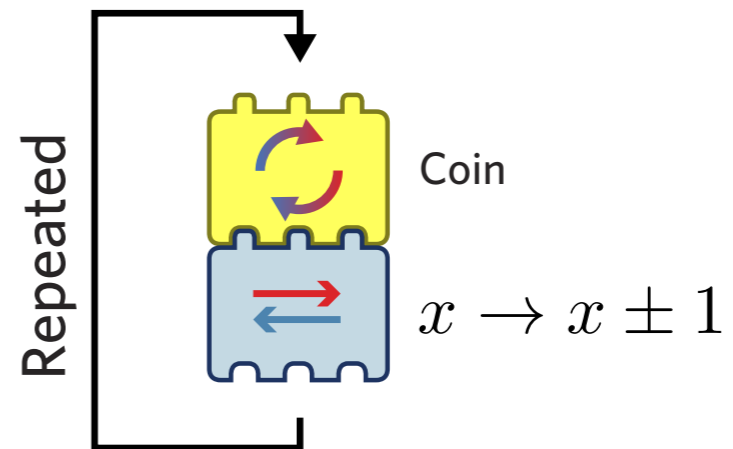
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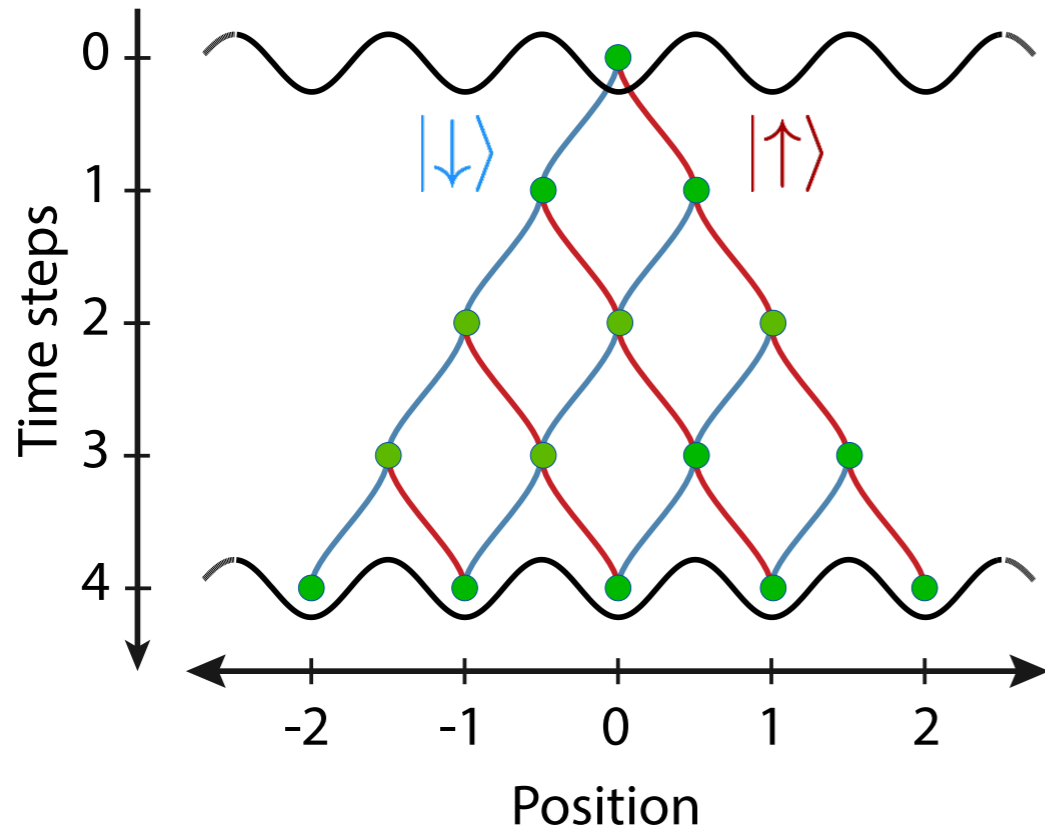


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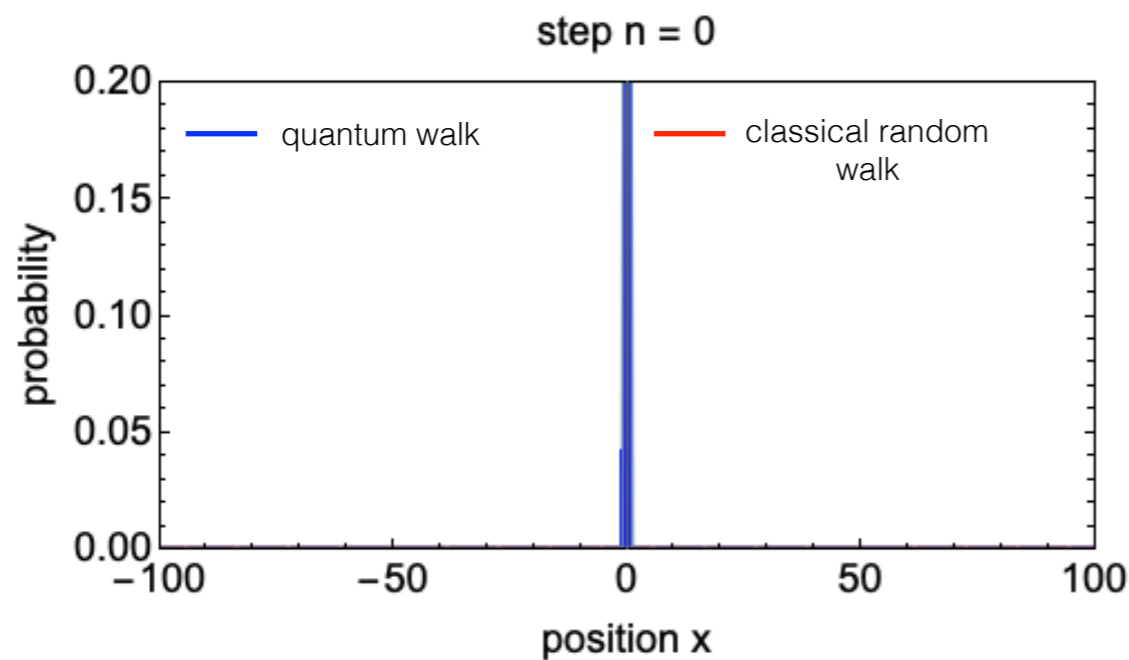
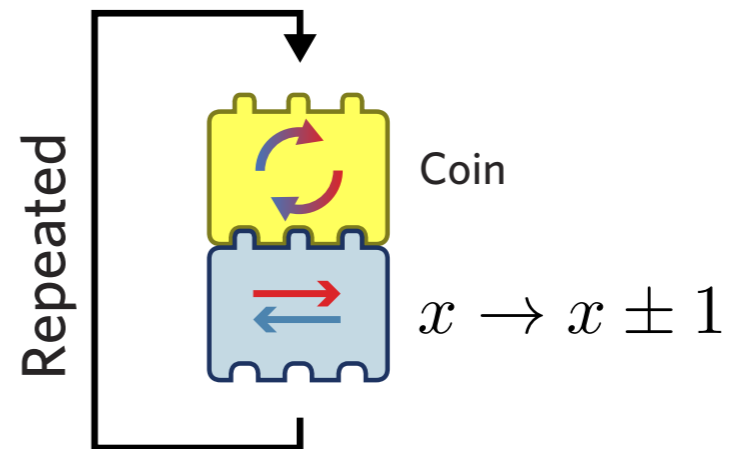




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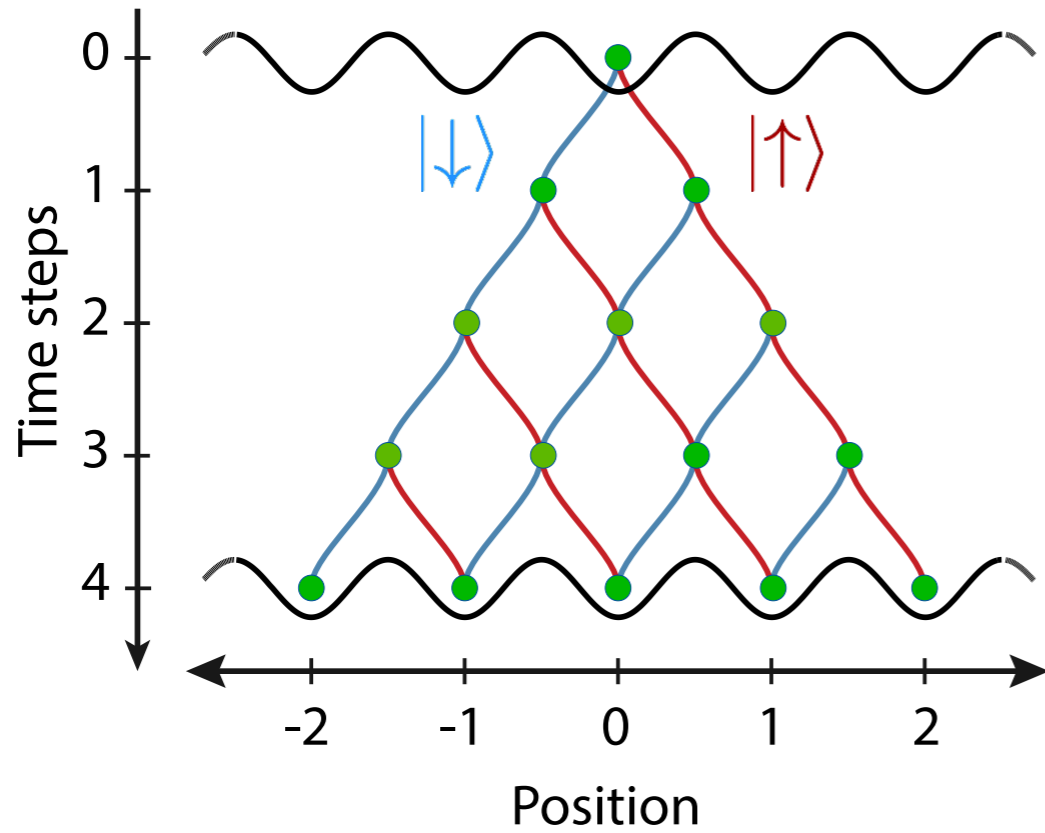


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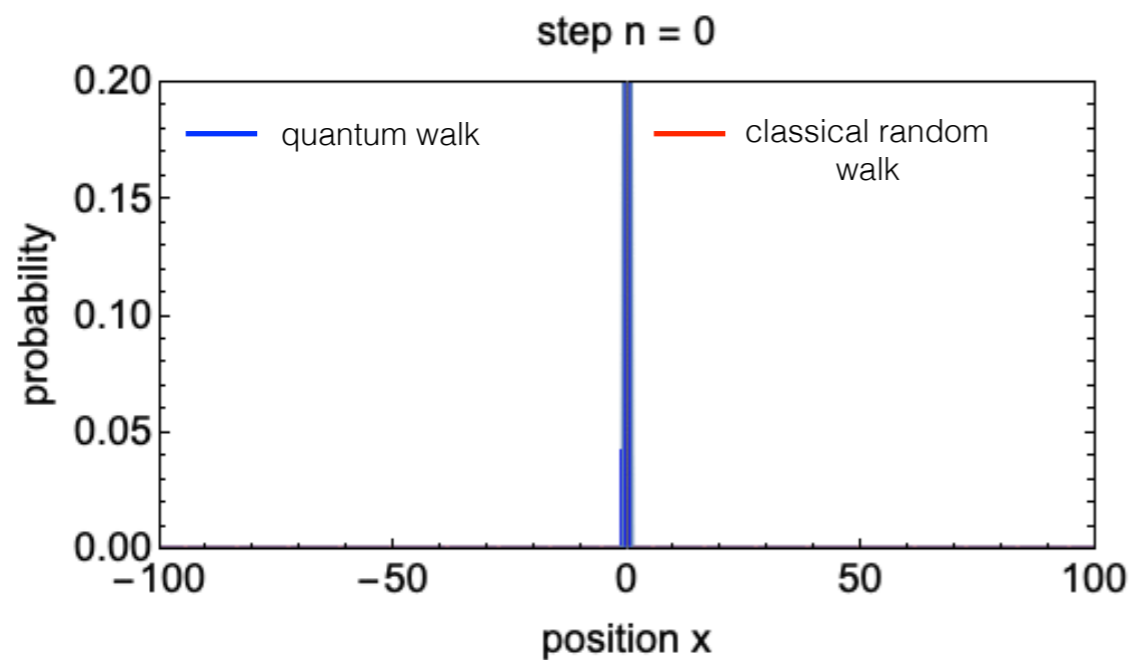
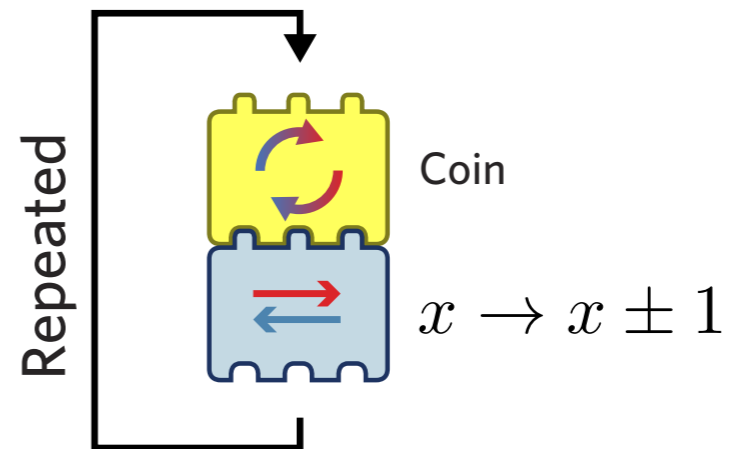




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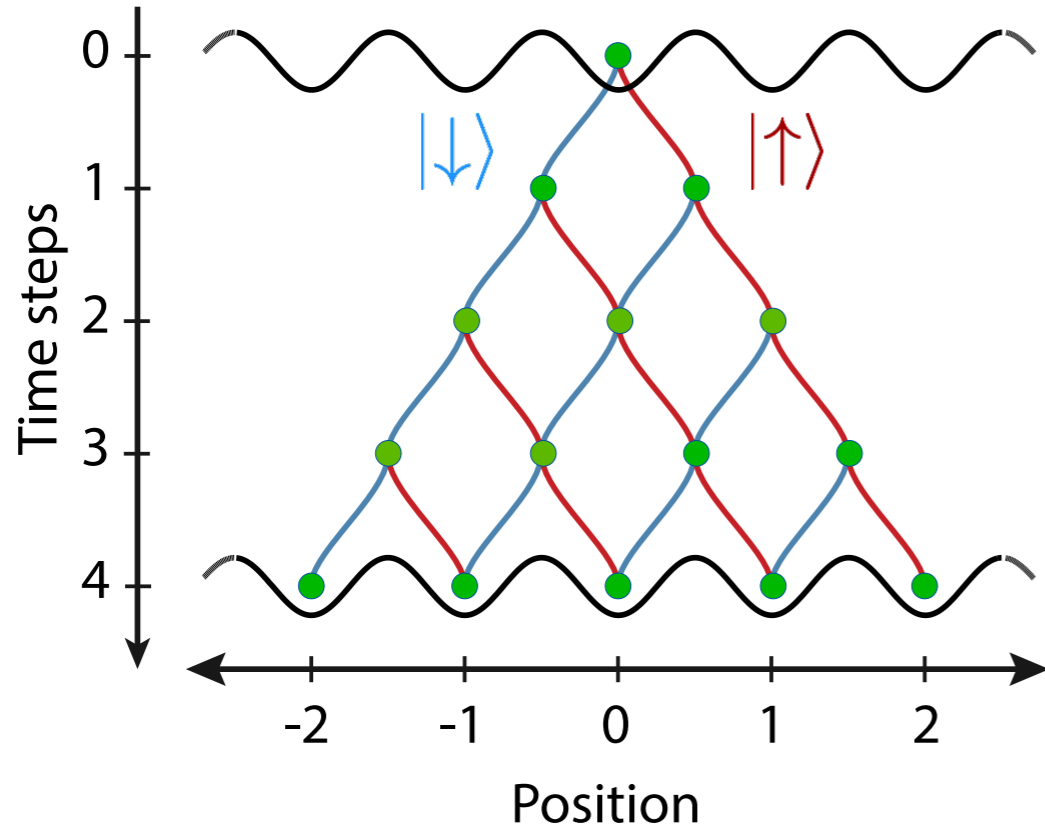


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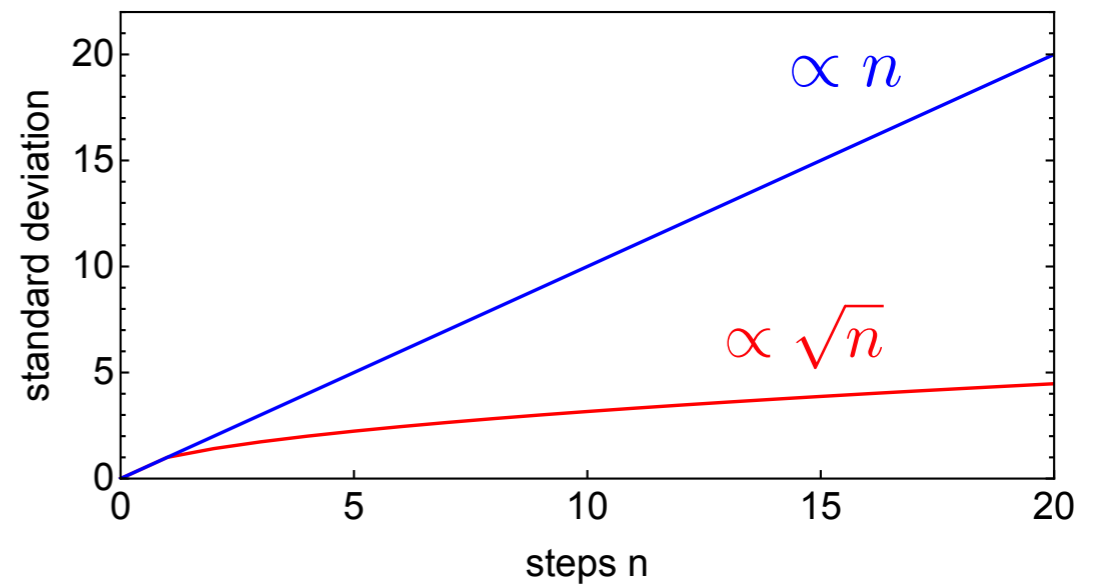
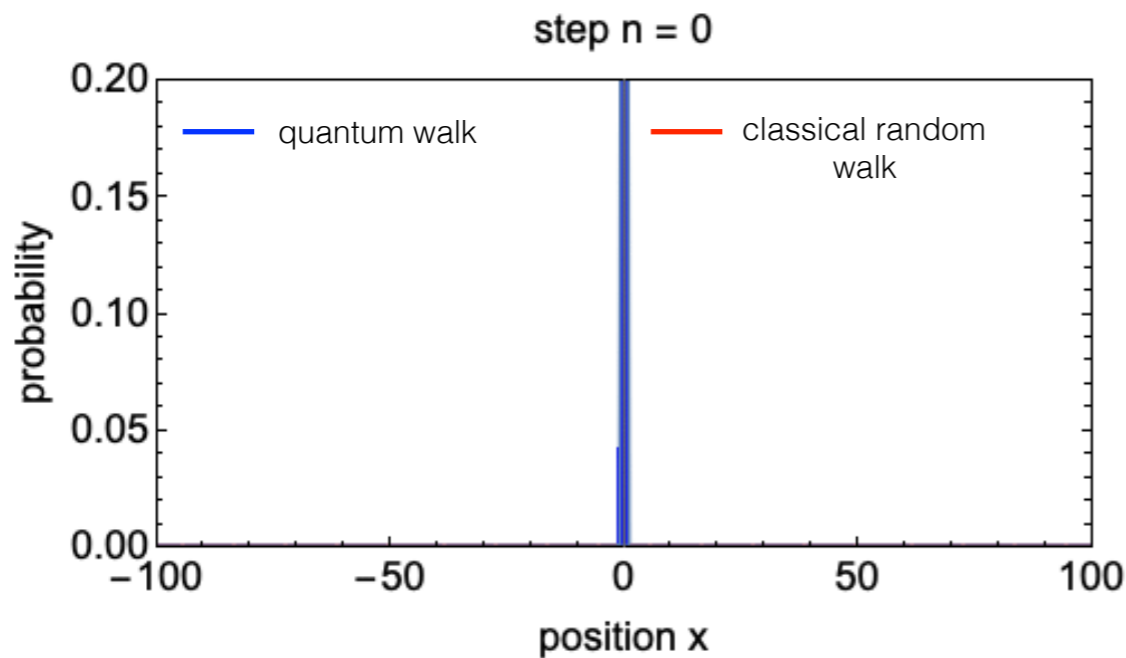
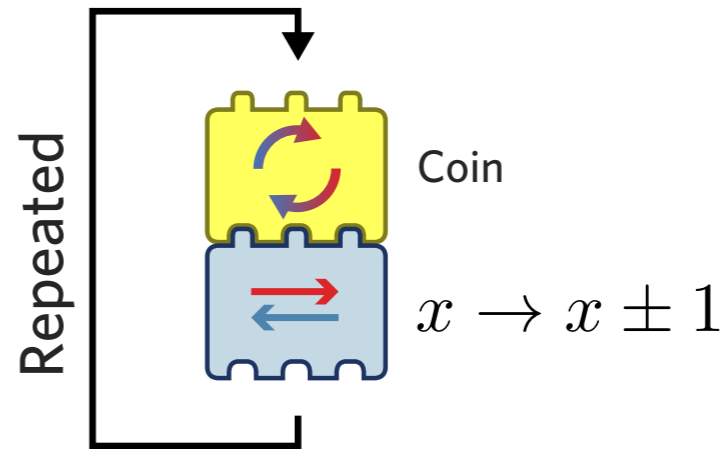




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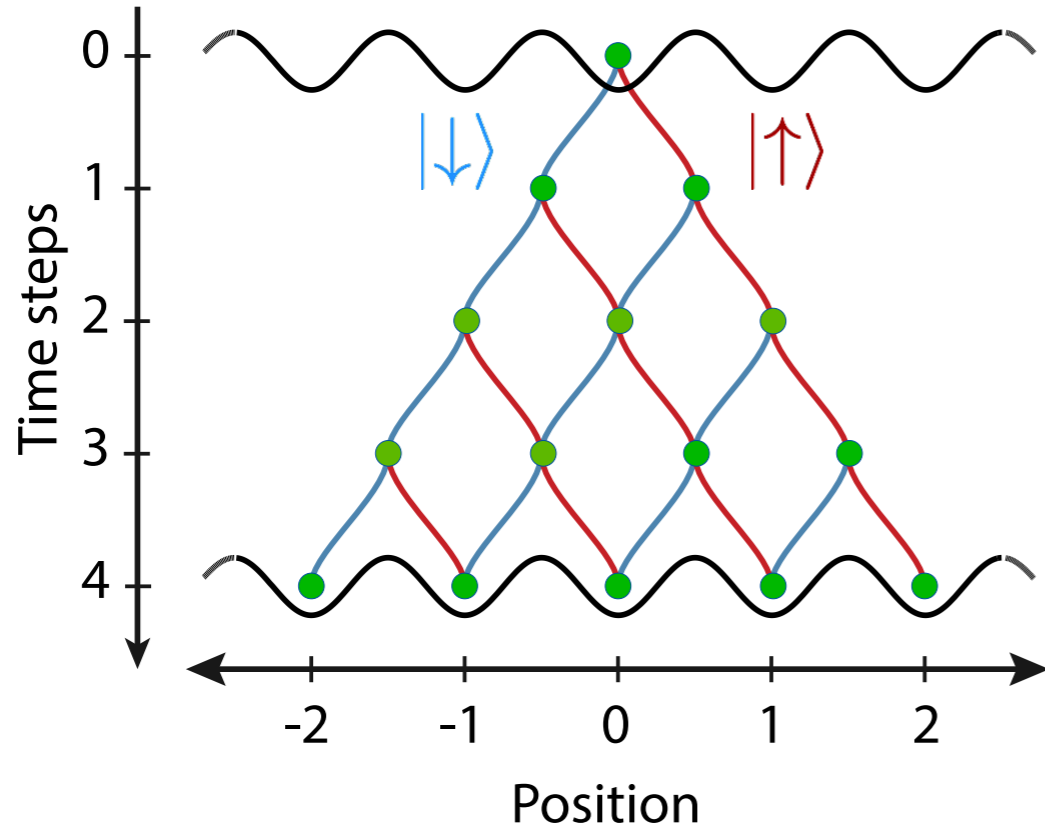
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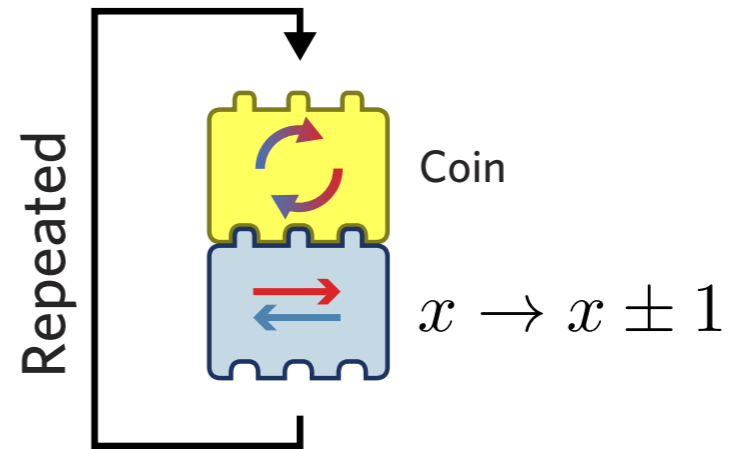




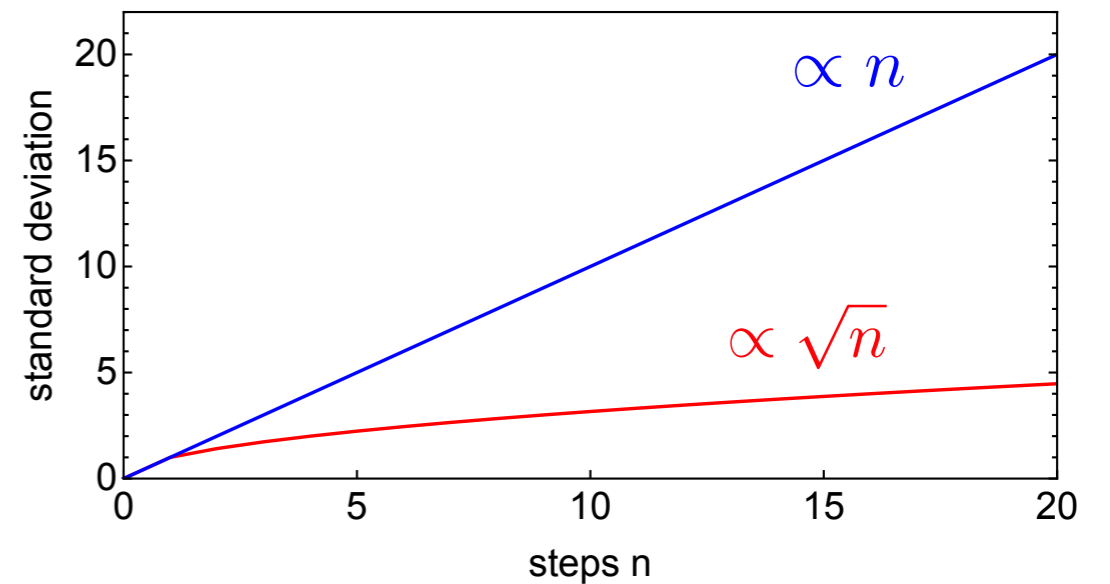
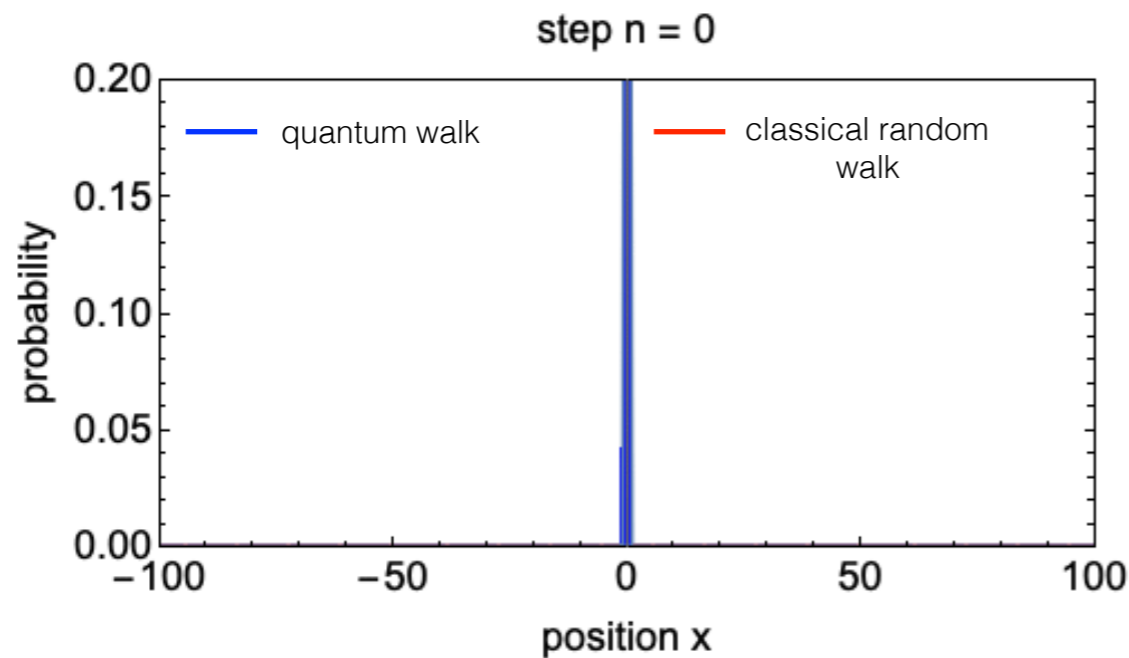
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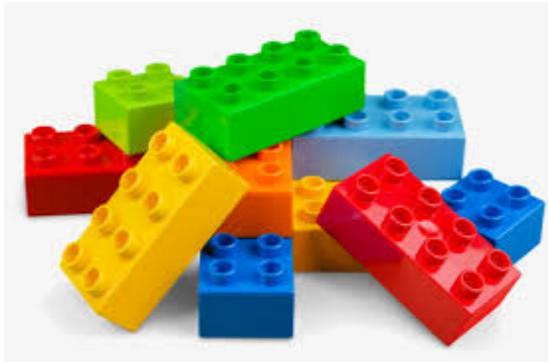
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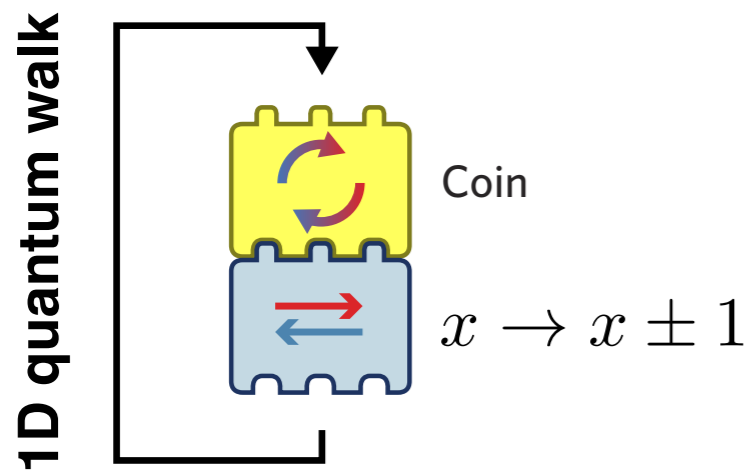
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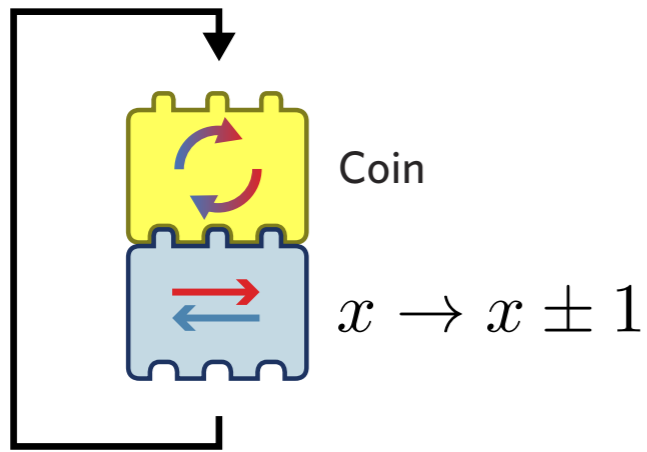


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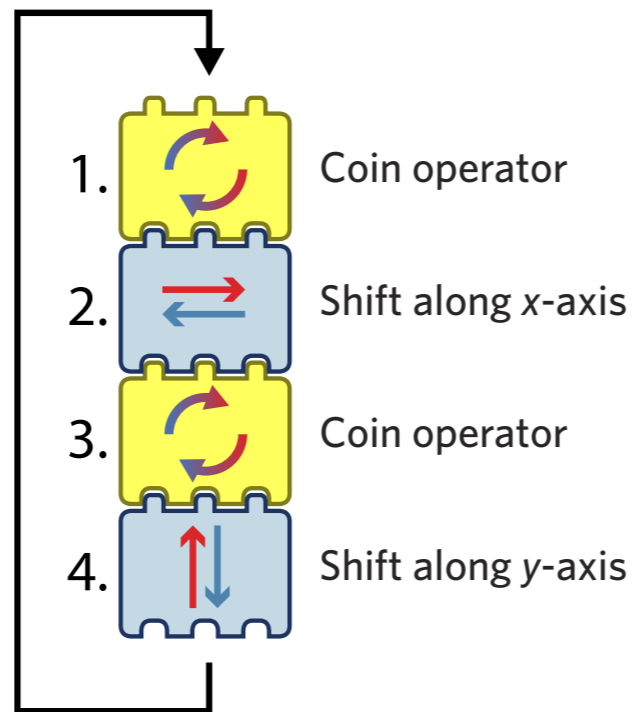
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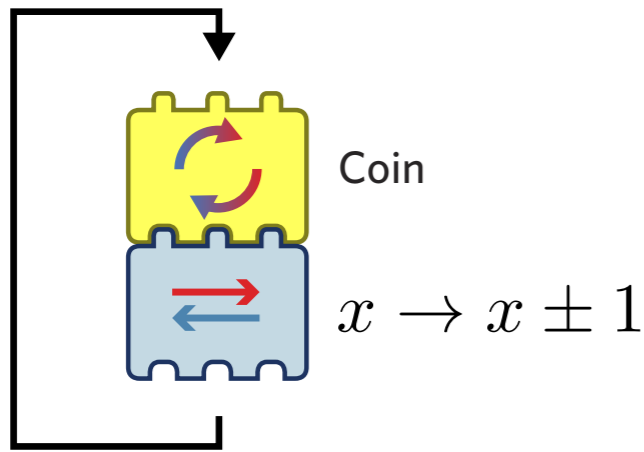


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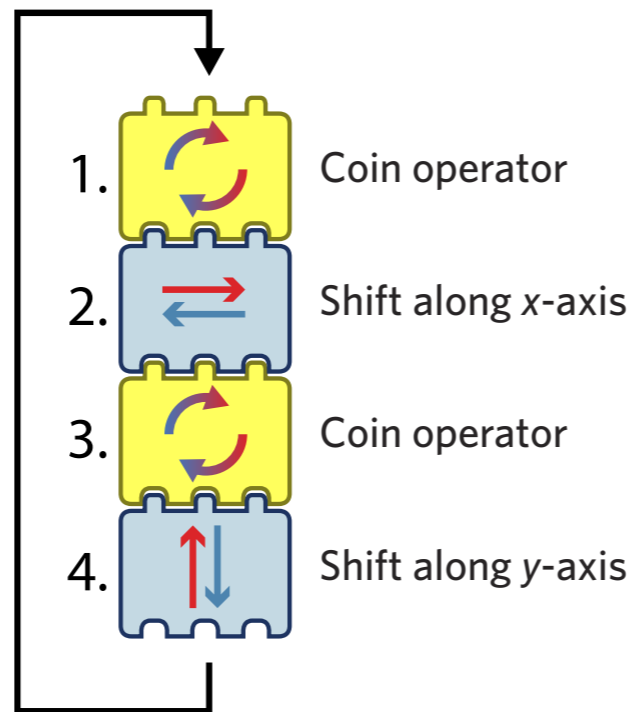
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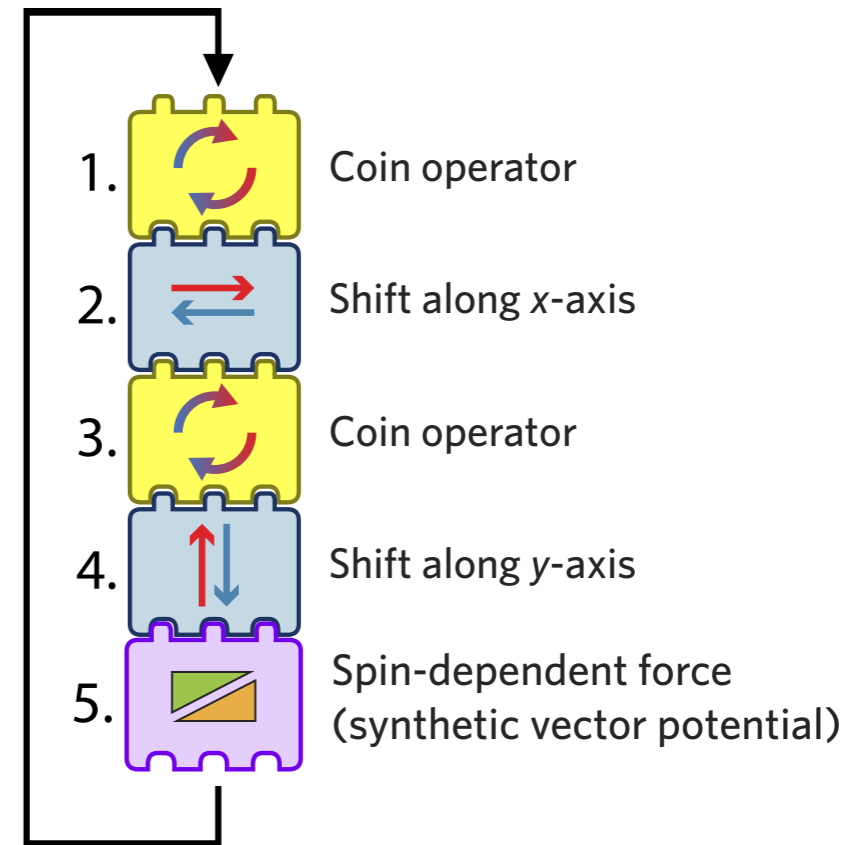
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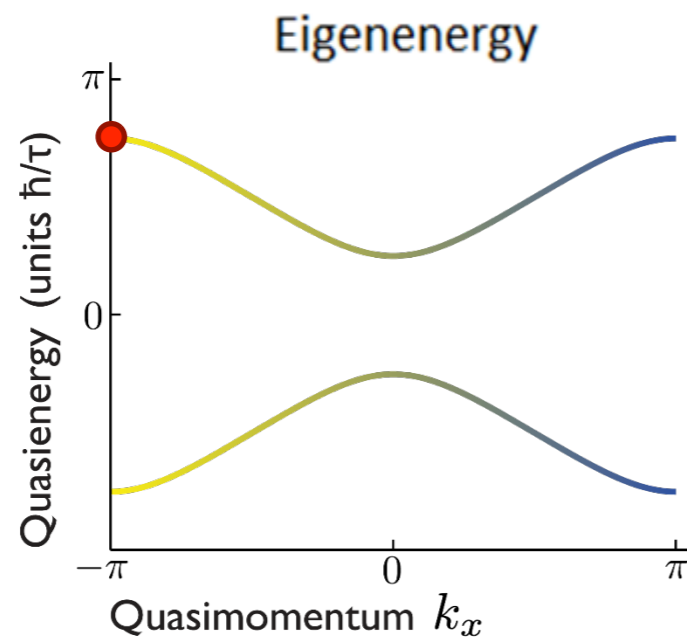


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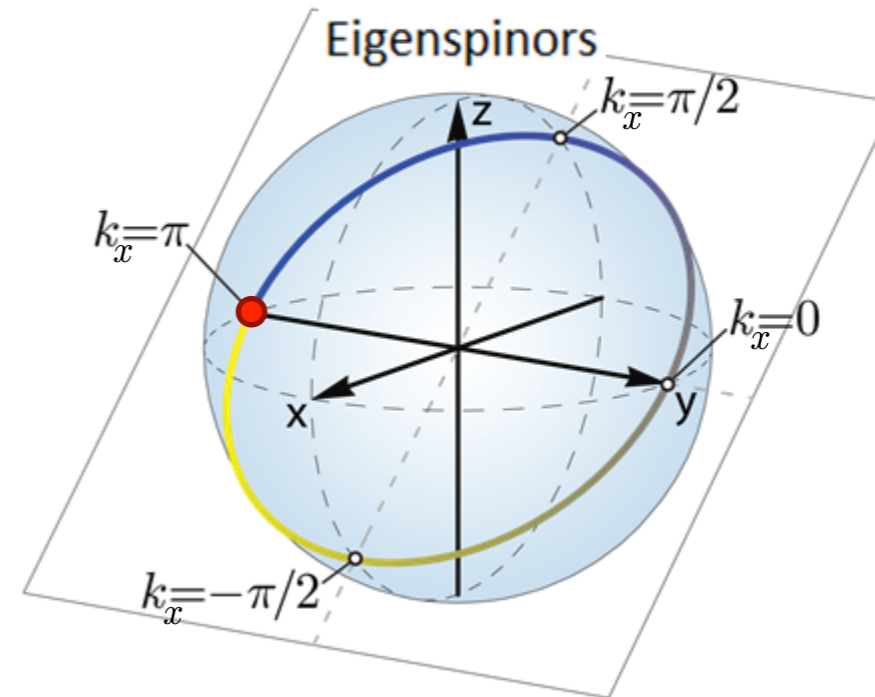
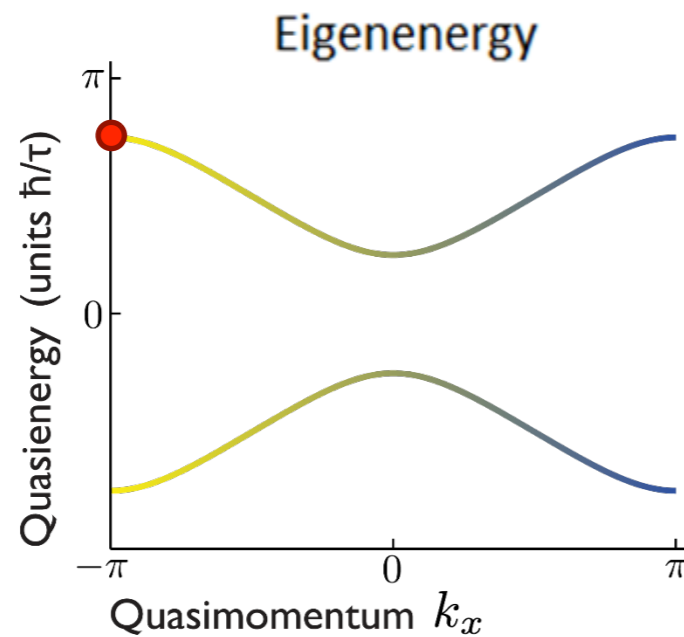


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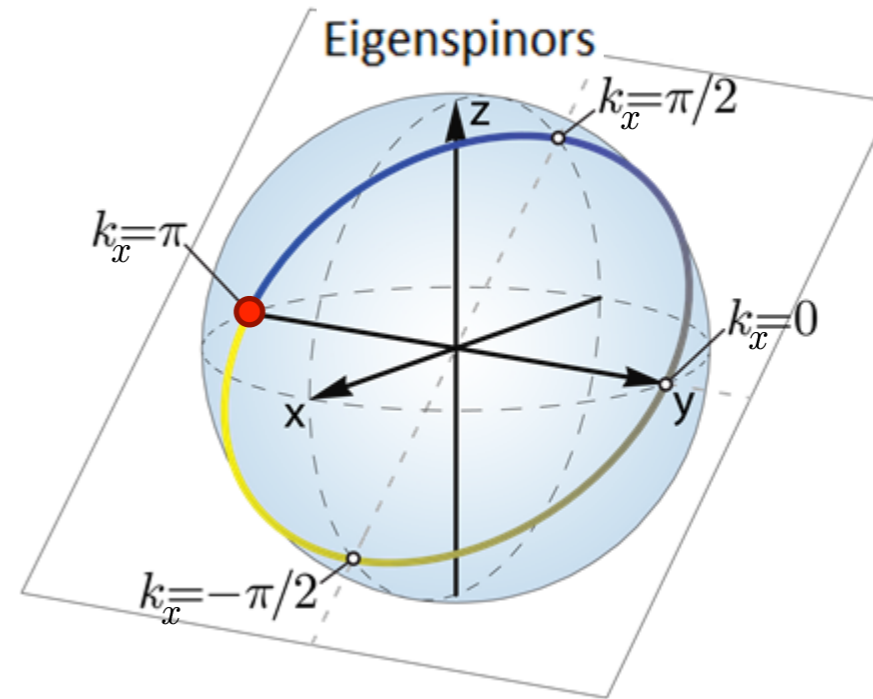
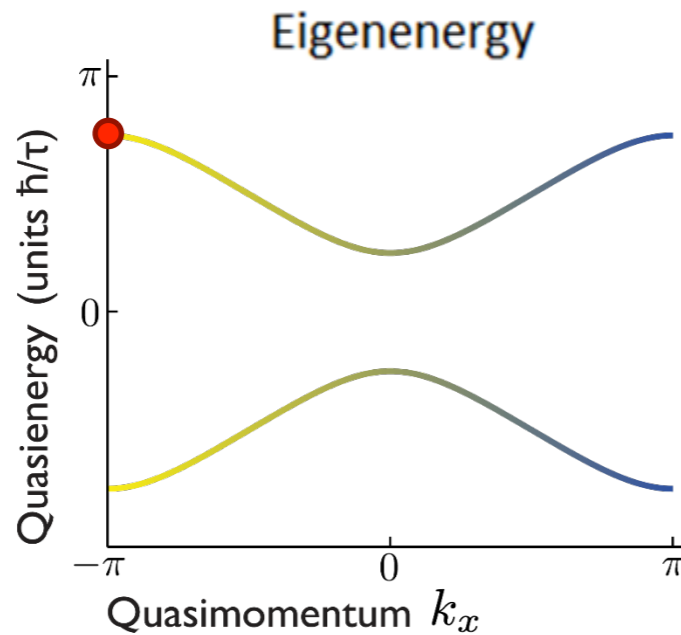


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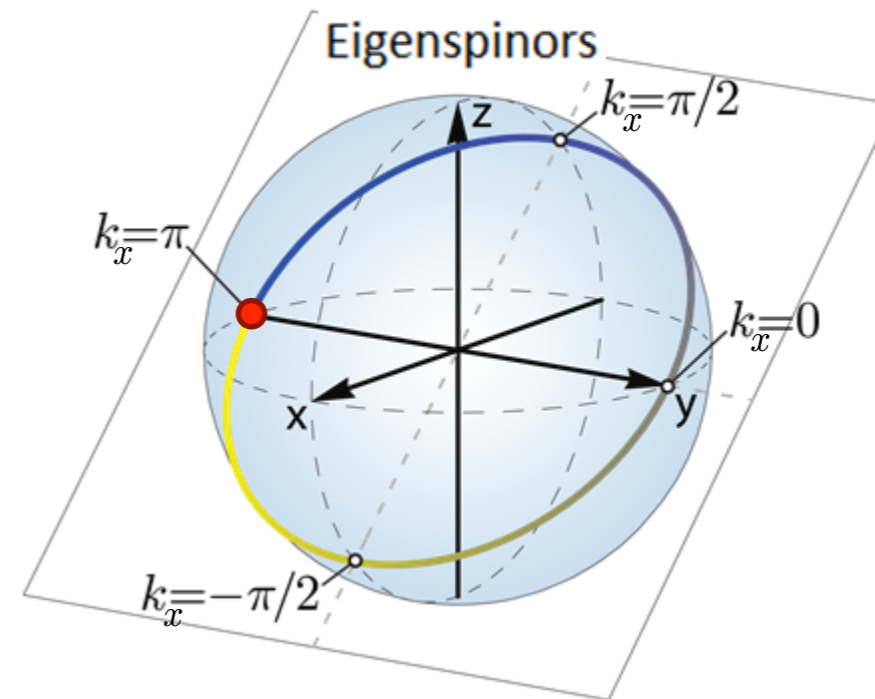
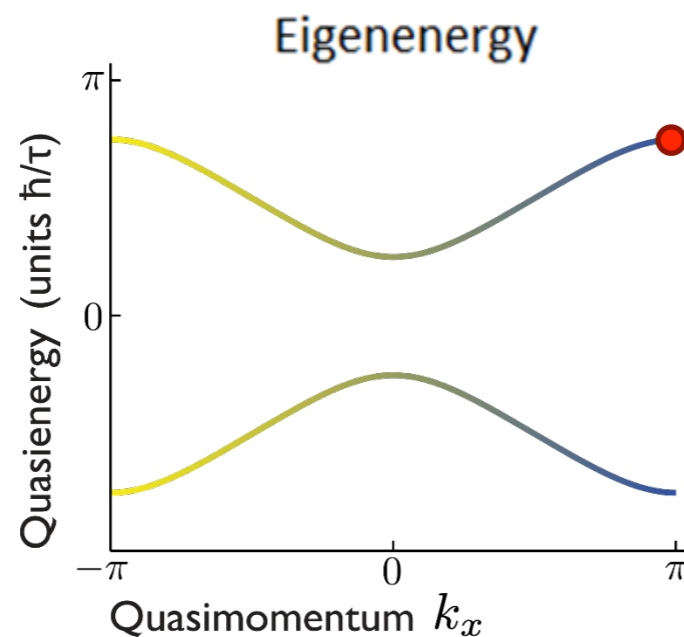


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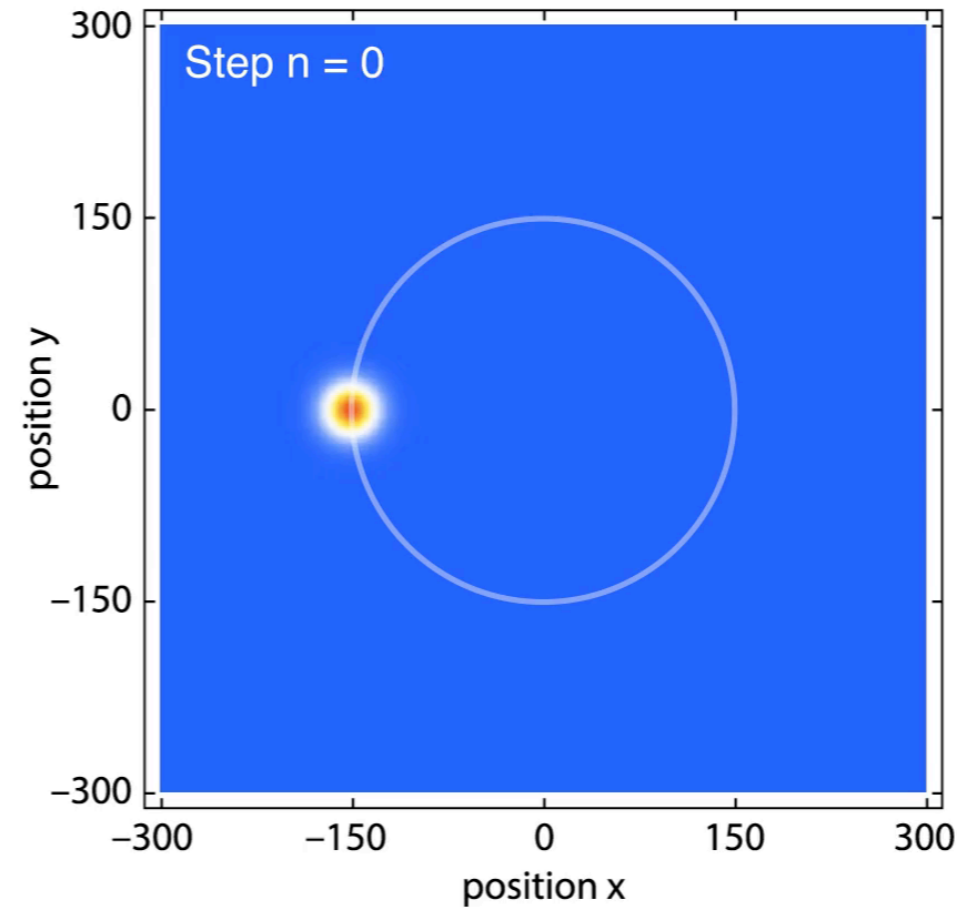
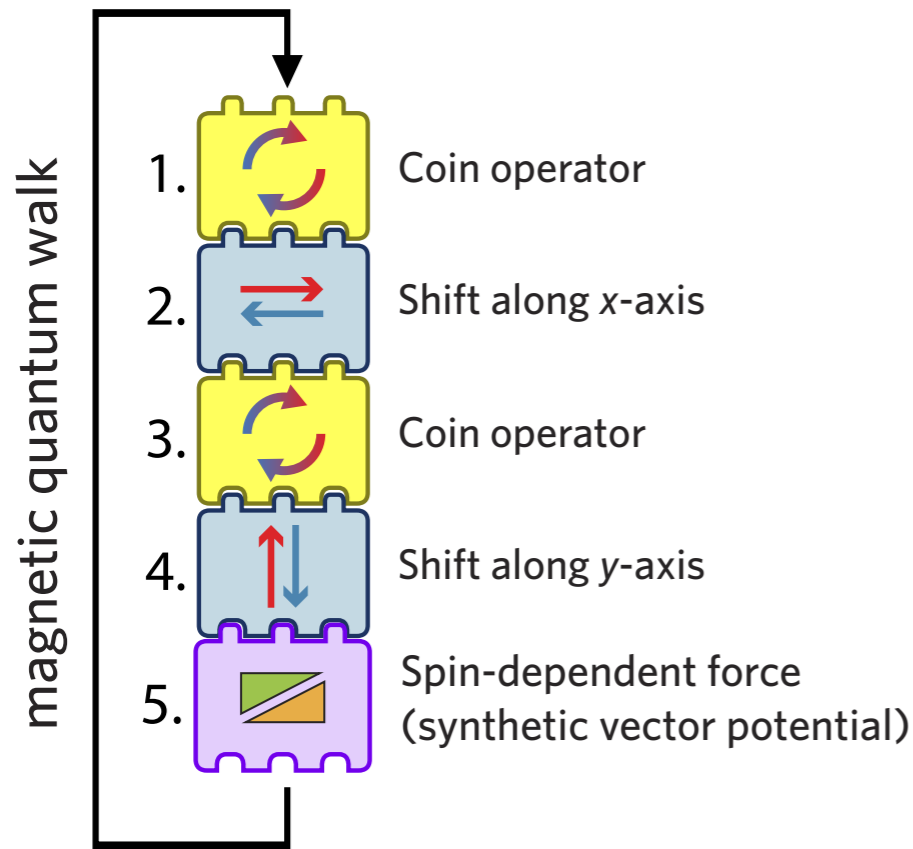
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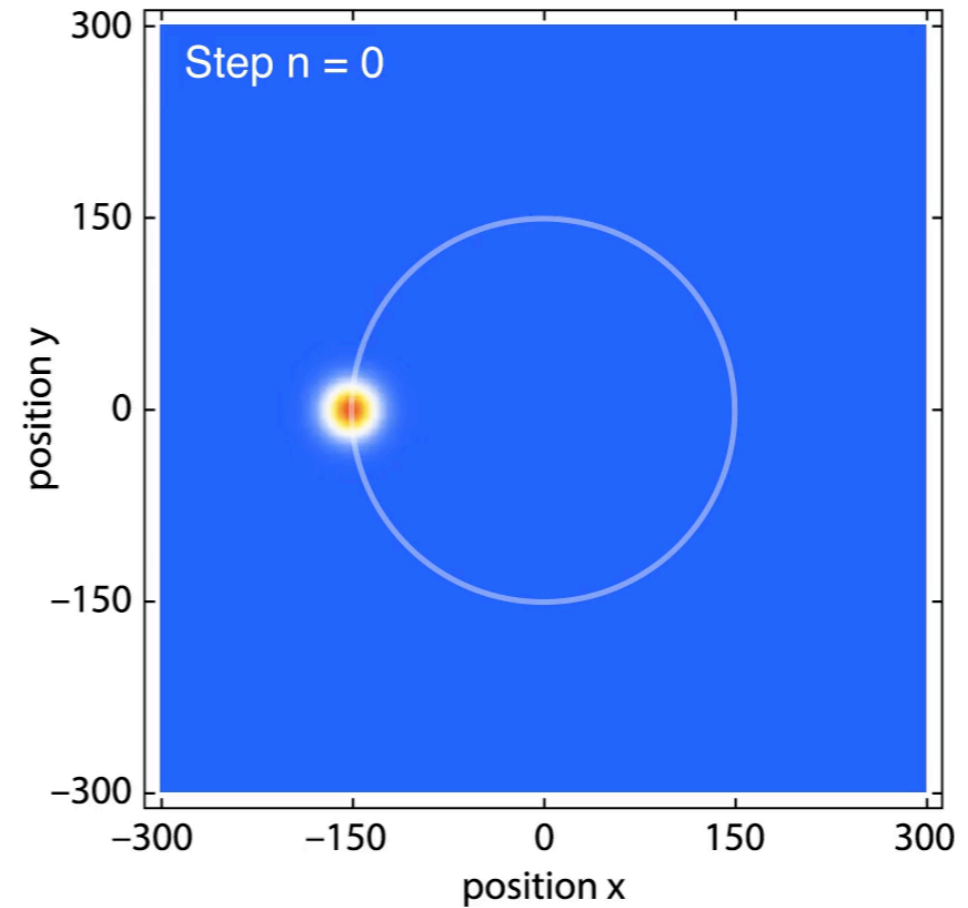
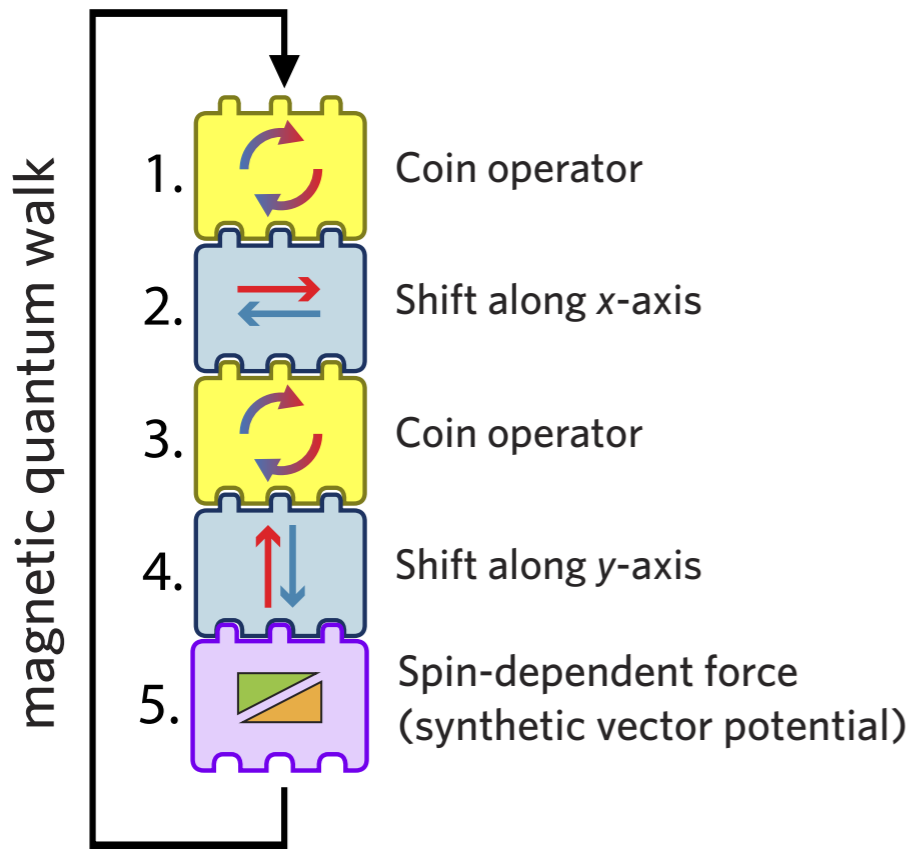




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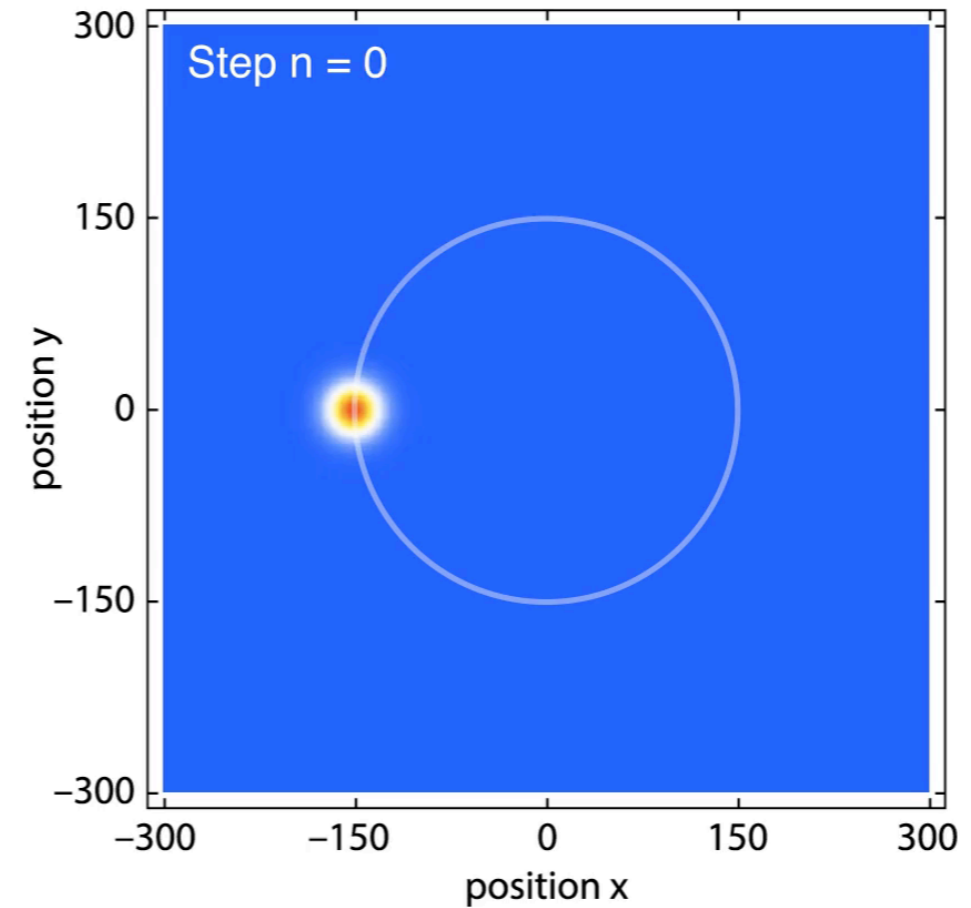
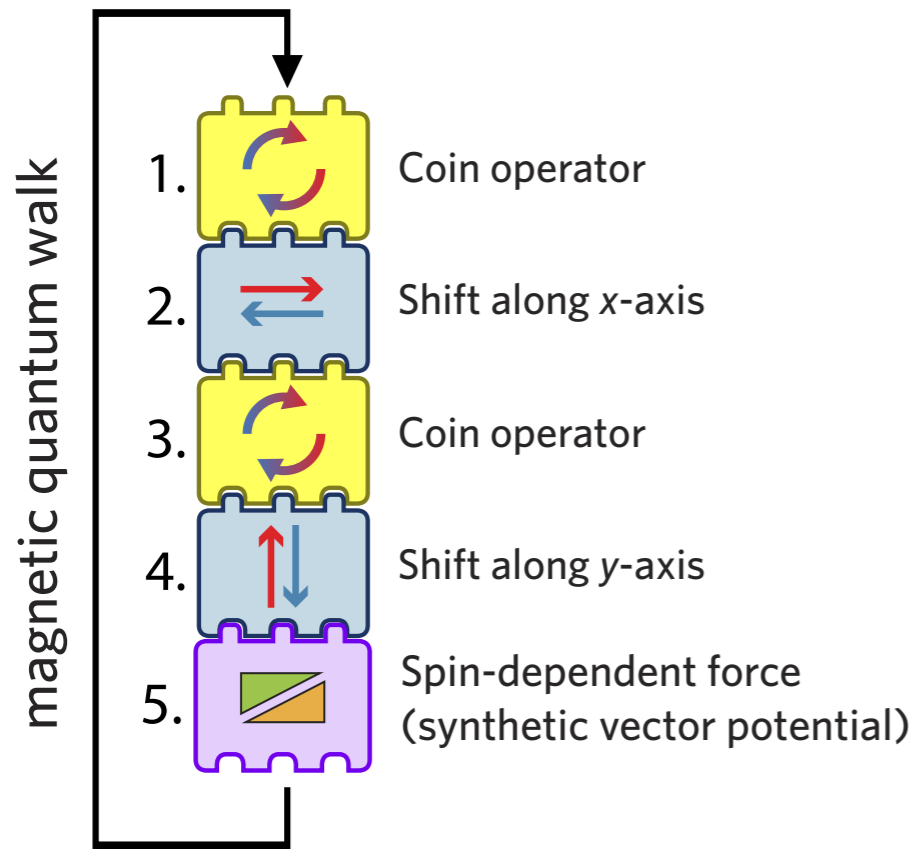




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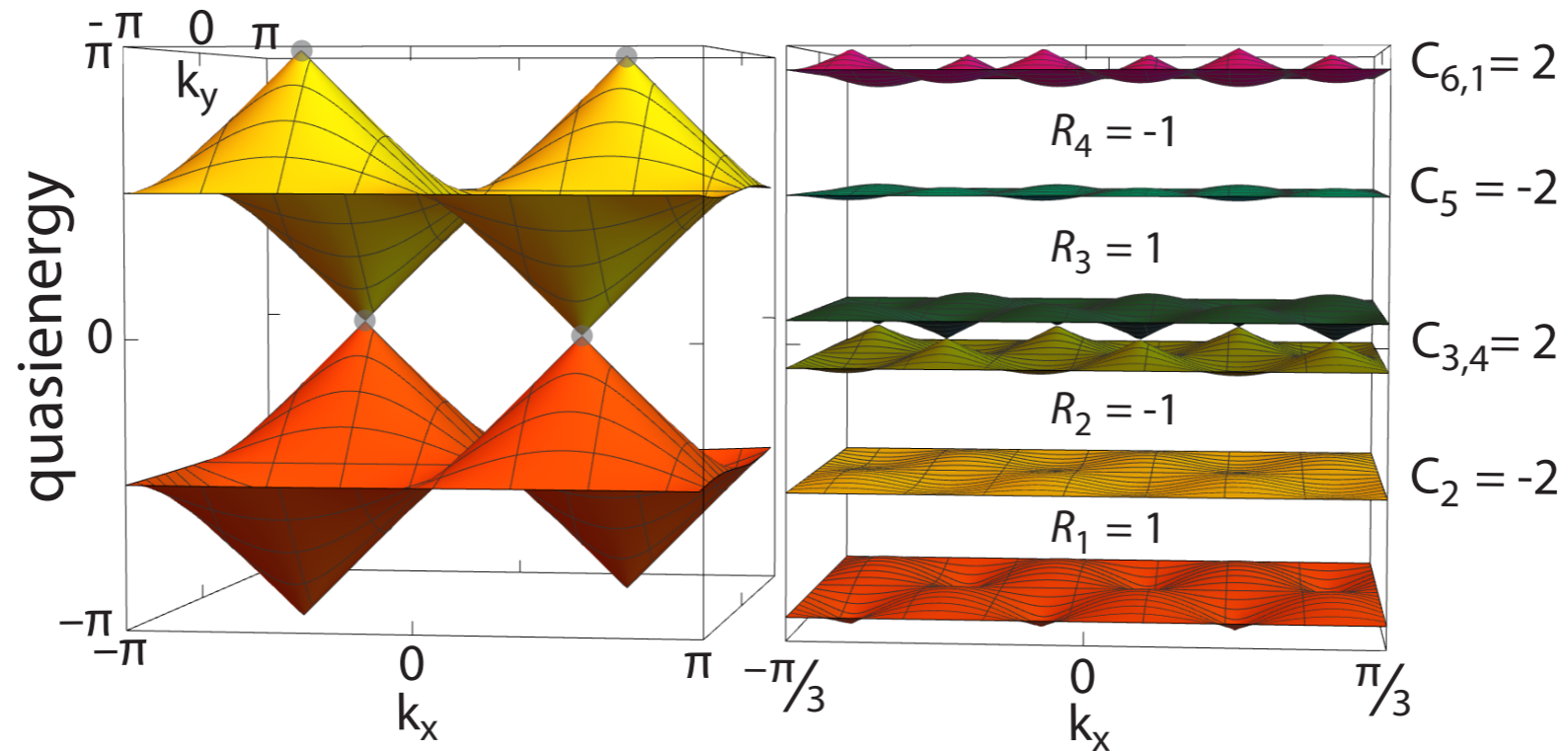




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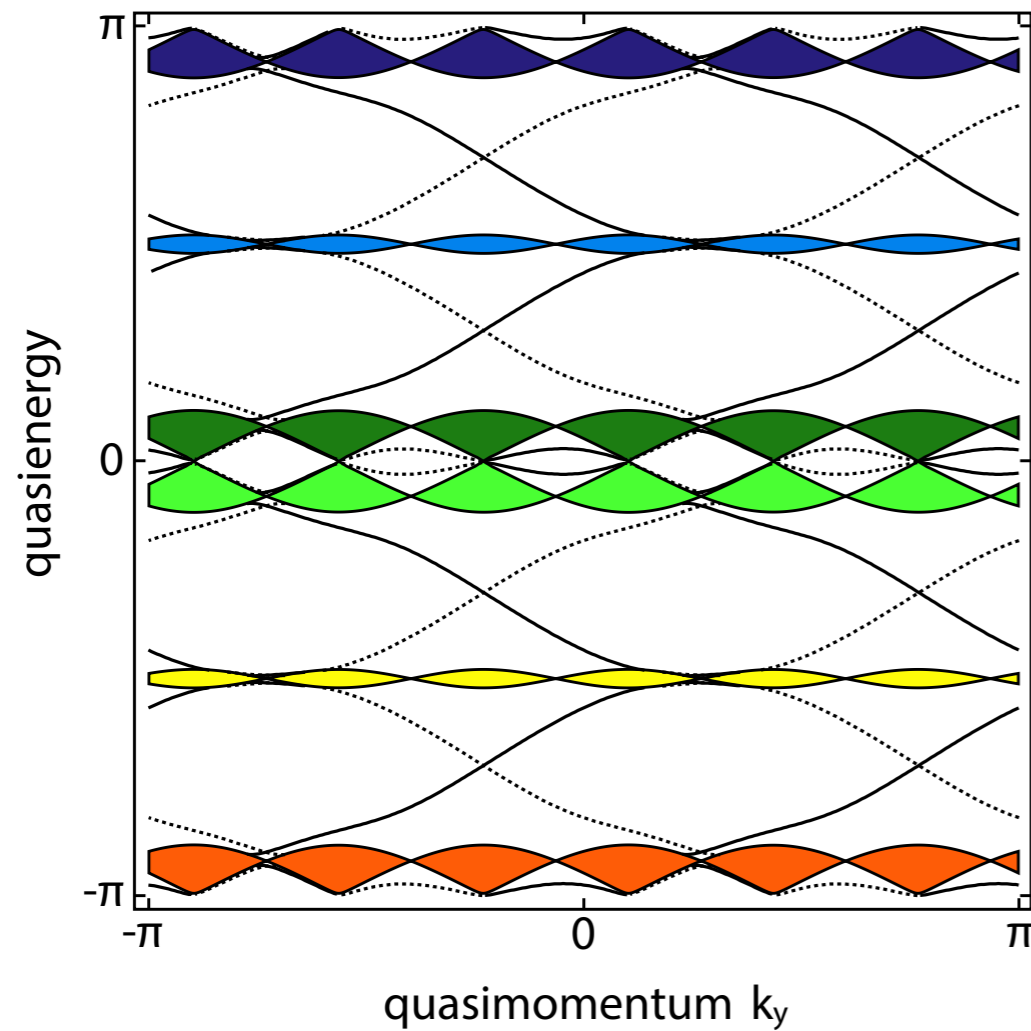
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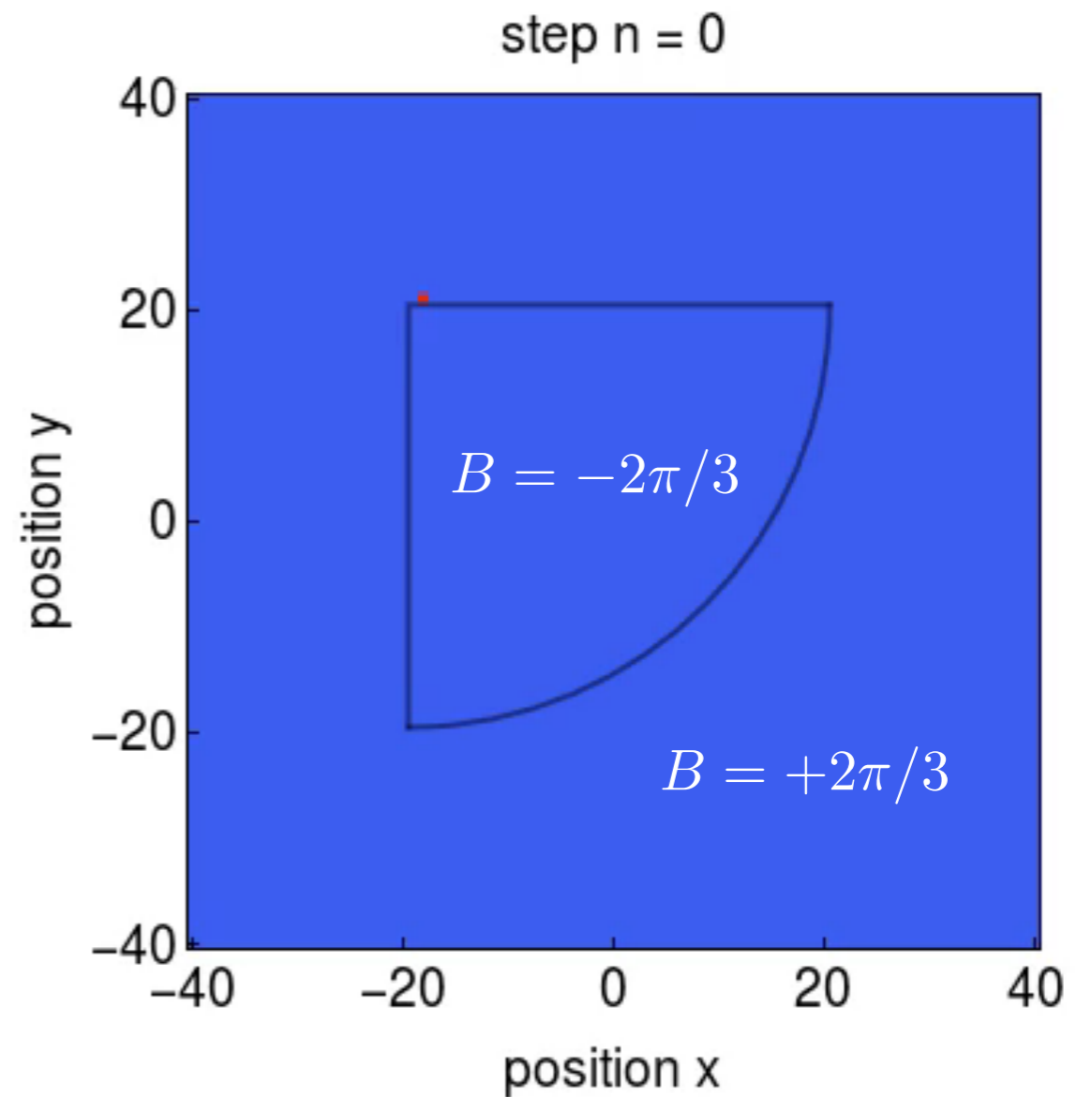
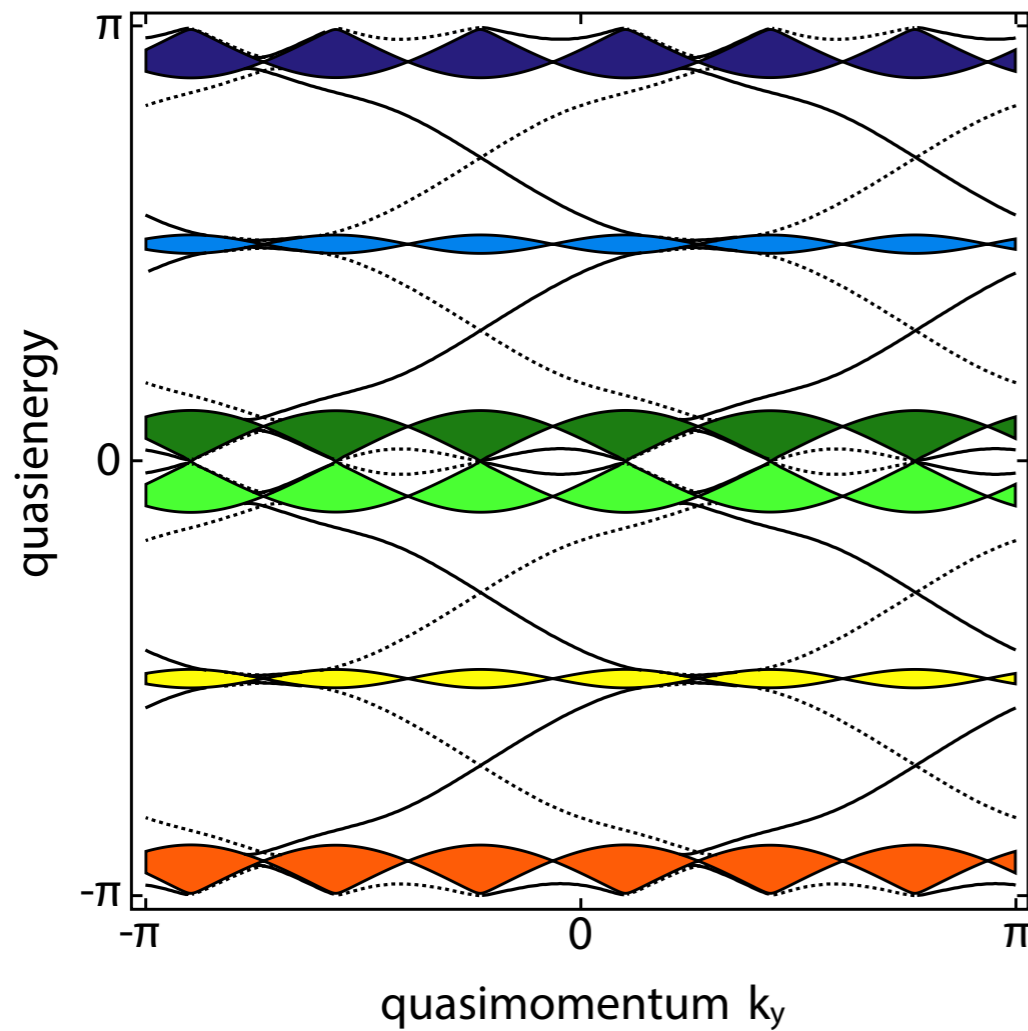


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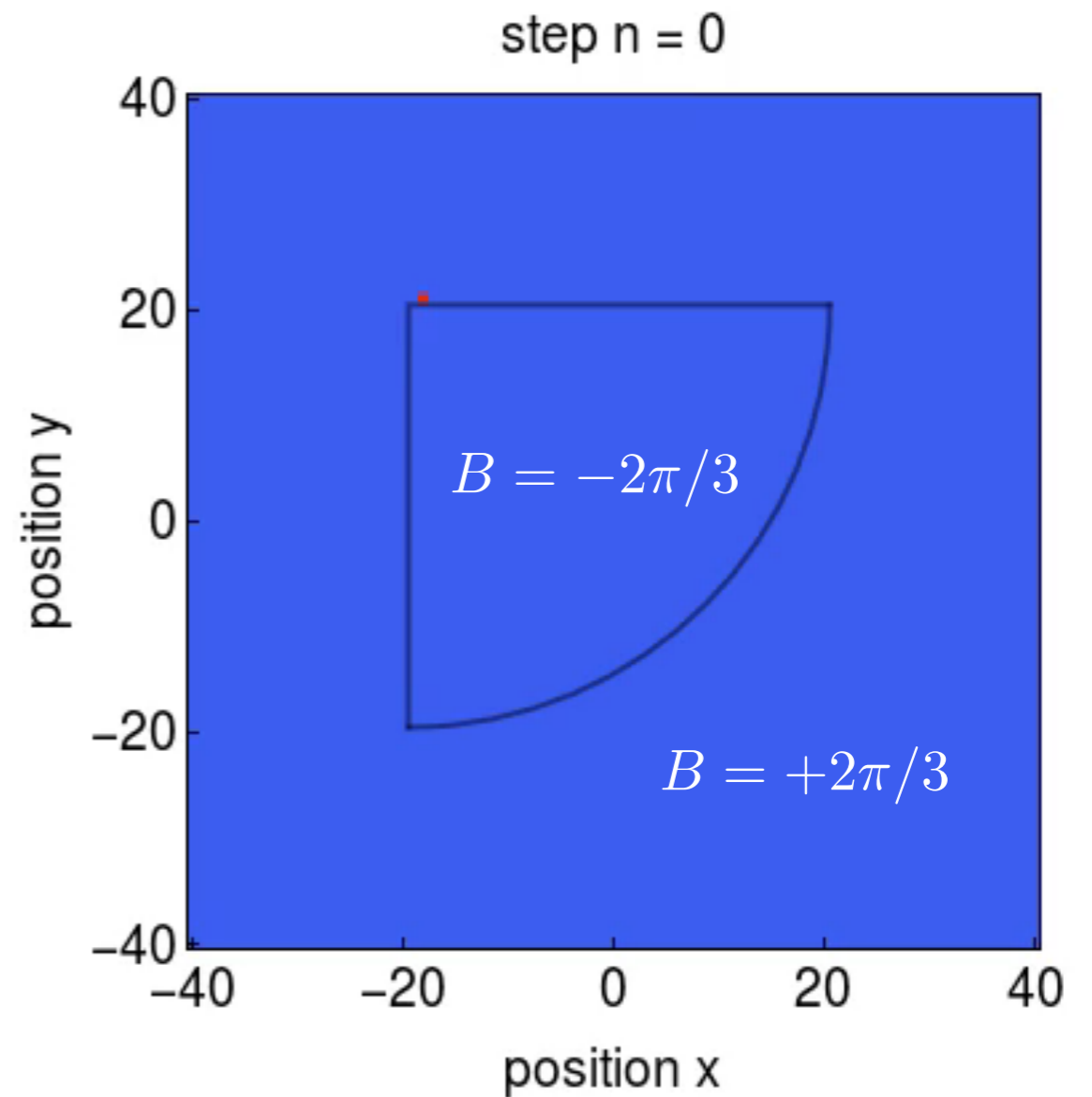
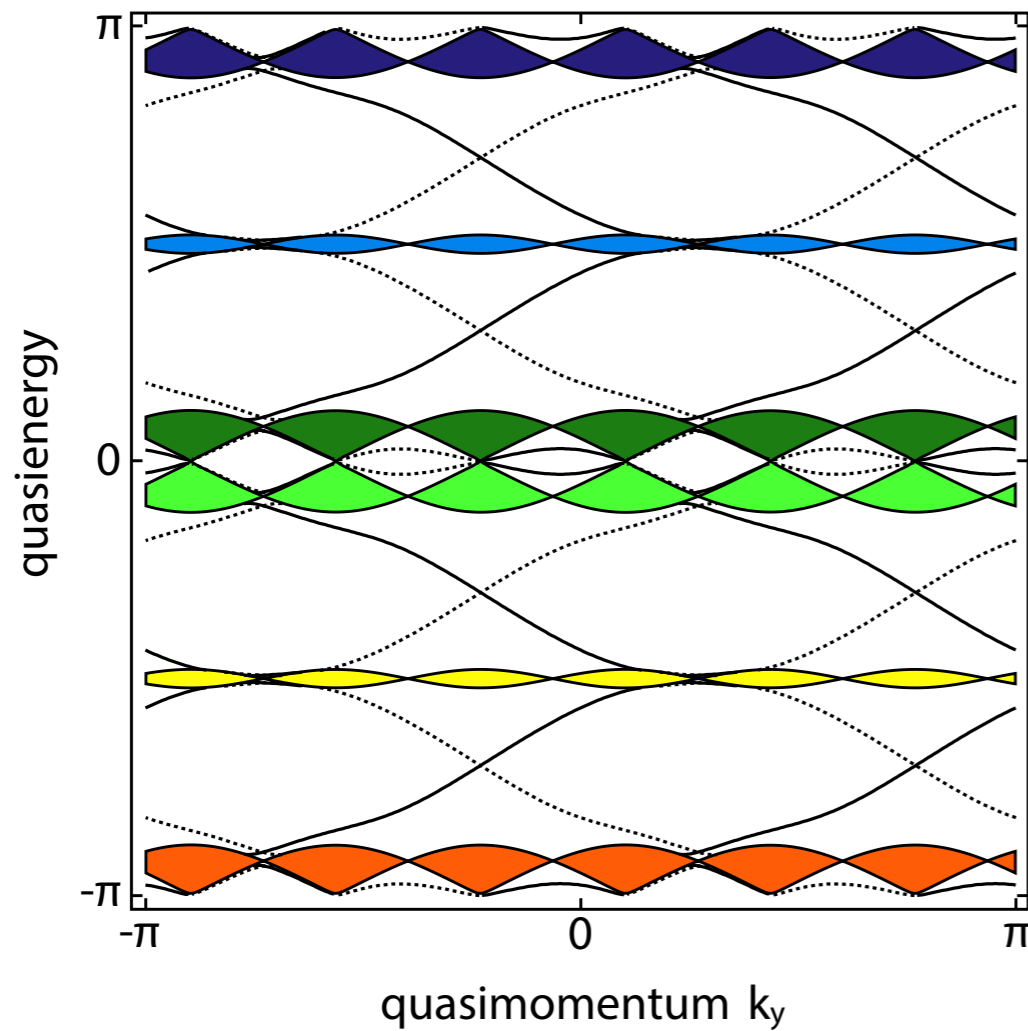


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# Outline

- Introduction to quantum walks
- Applications: A versatile tool for quantum simulation
- Quantum walks with artificial electric field



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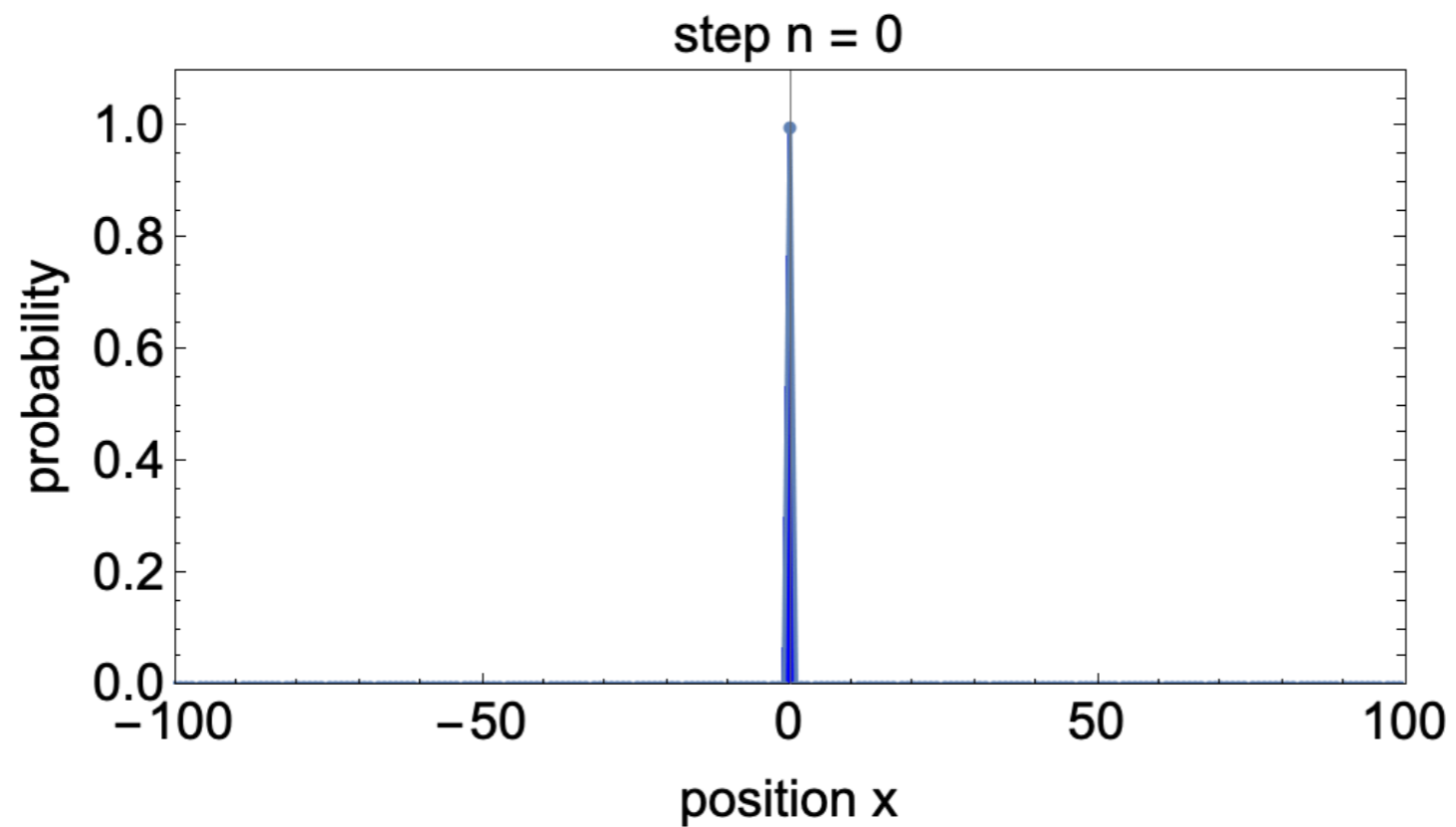
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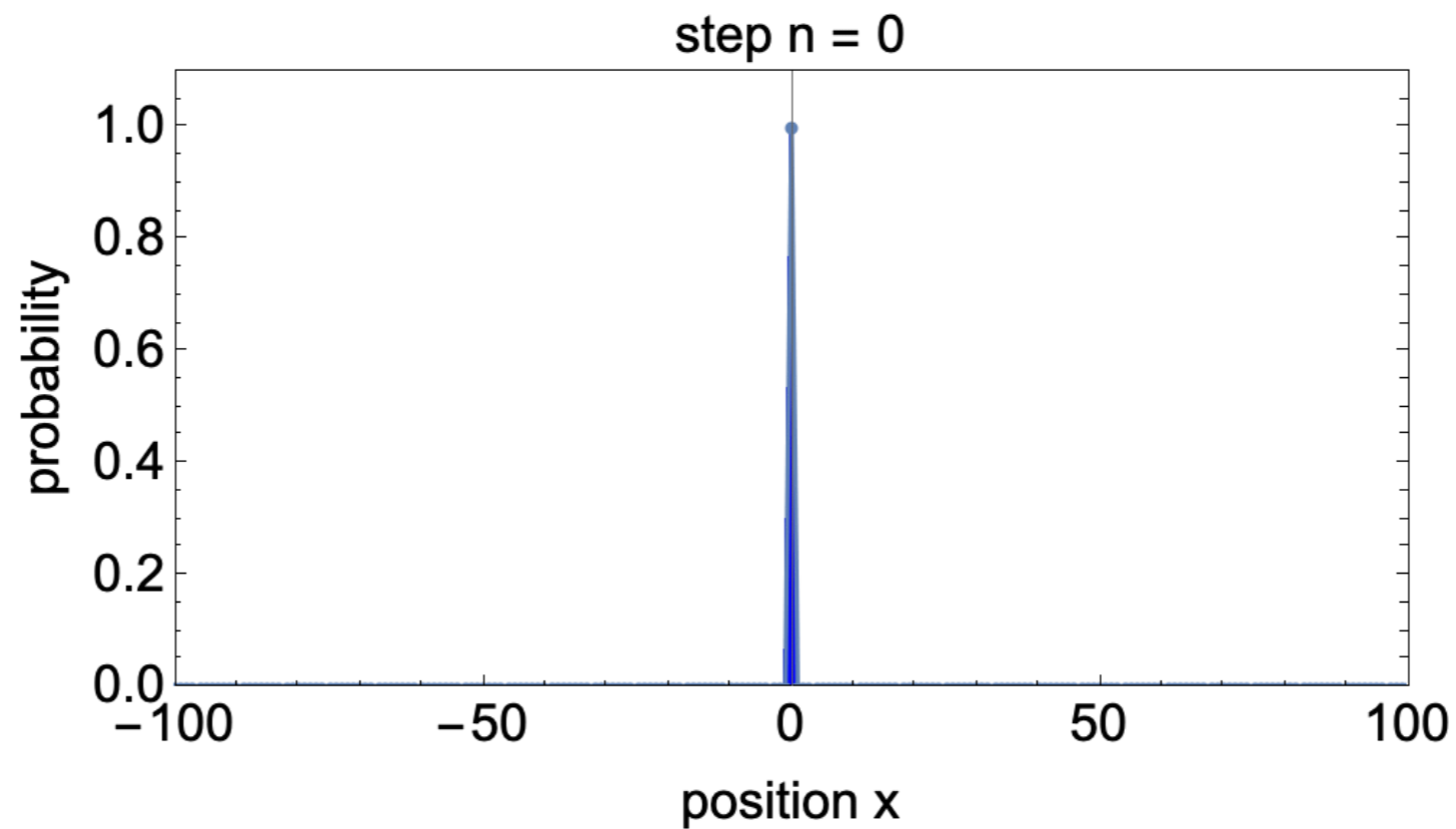
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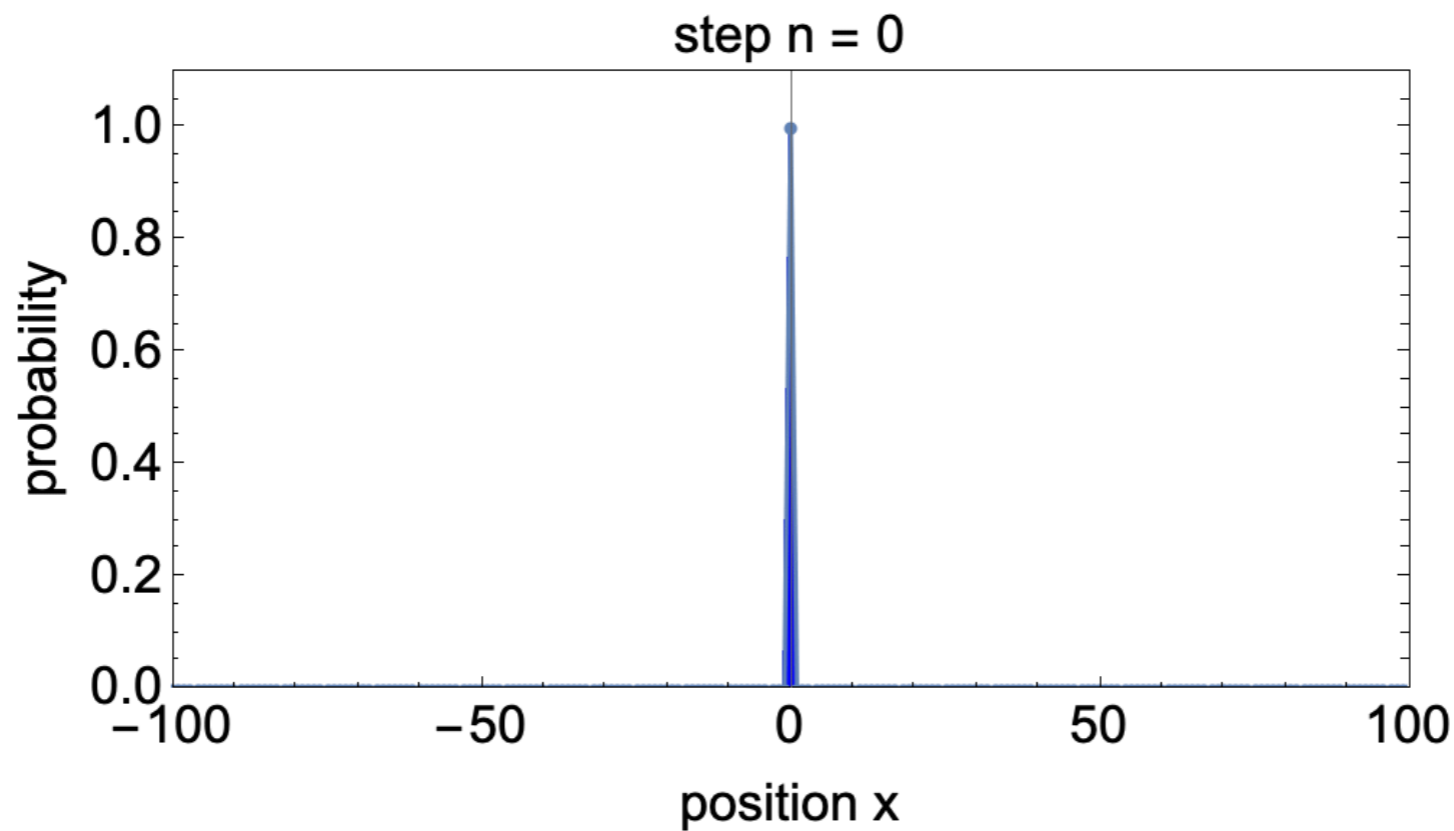




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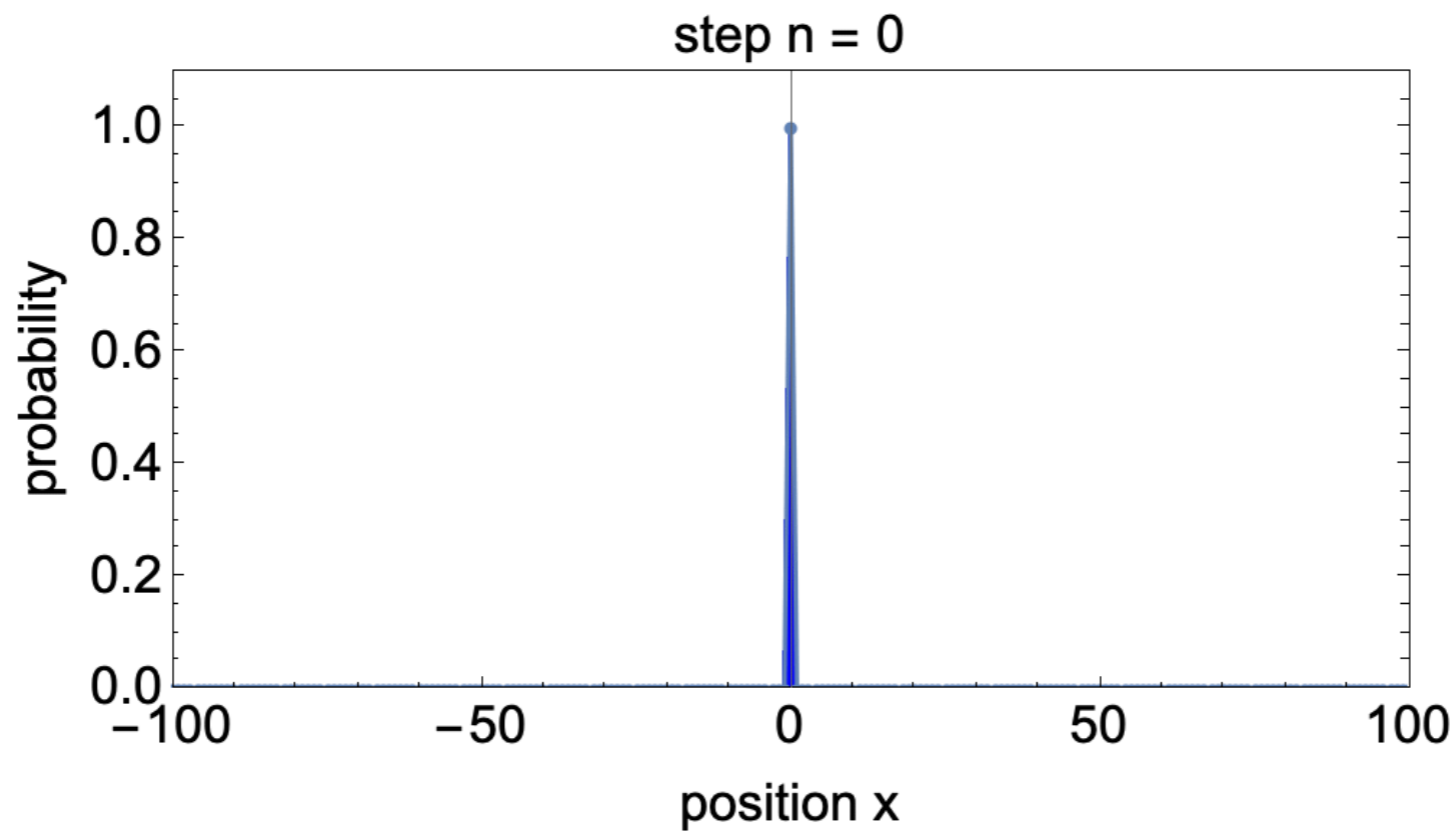




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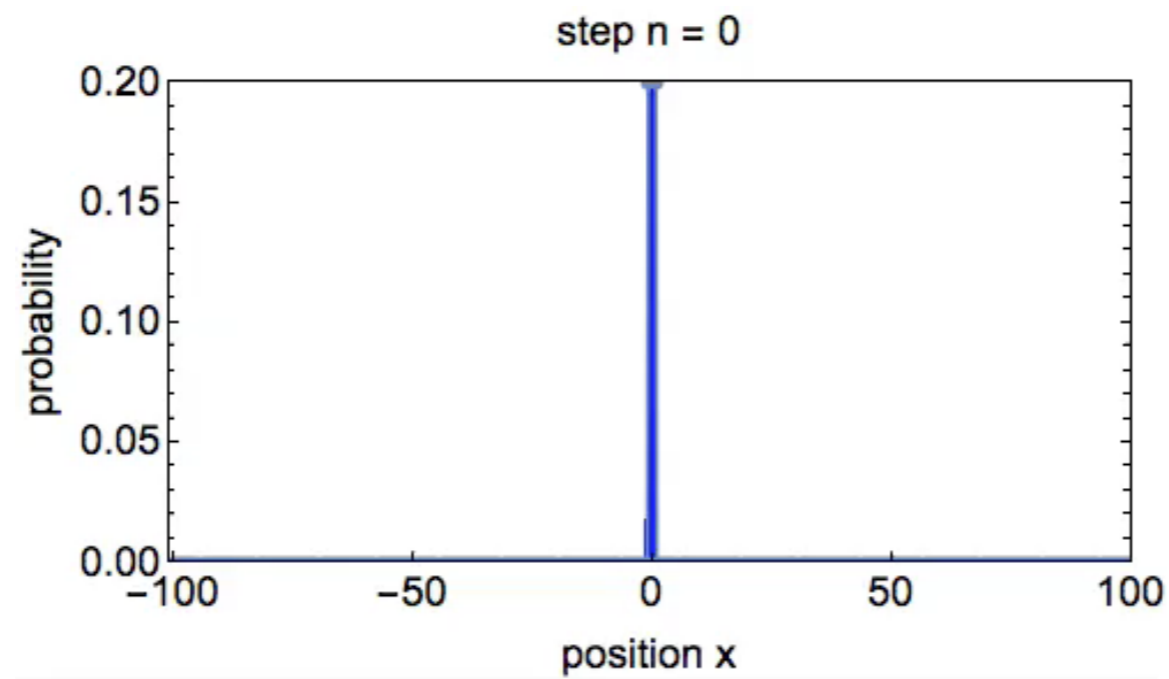
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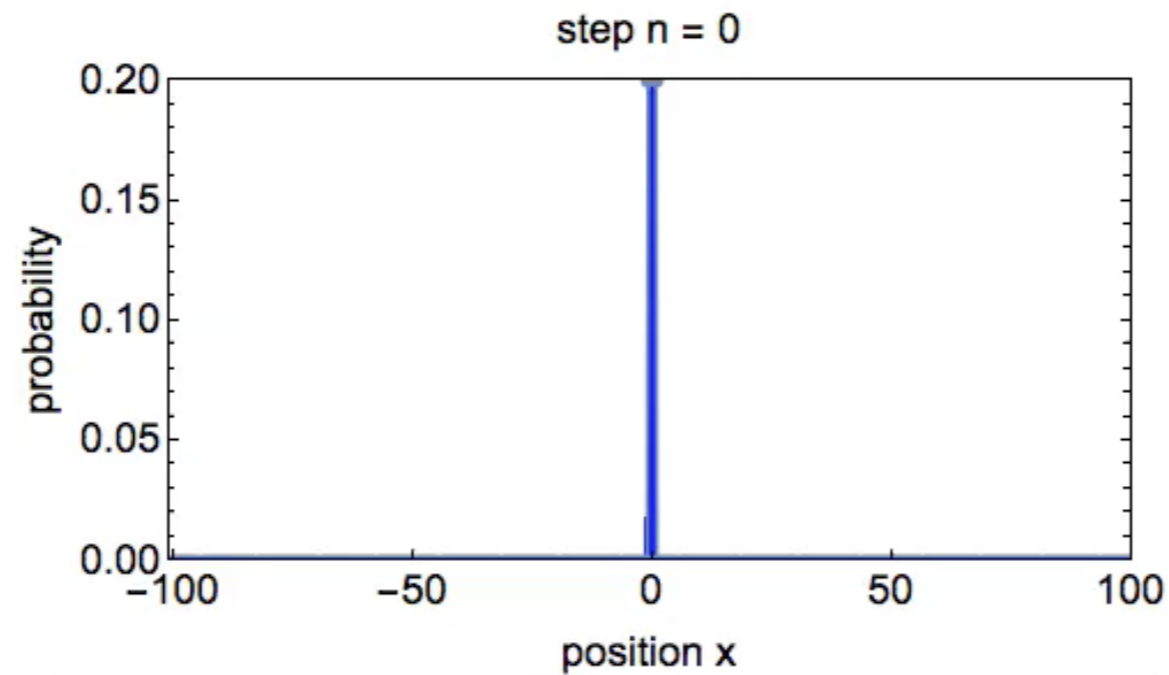
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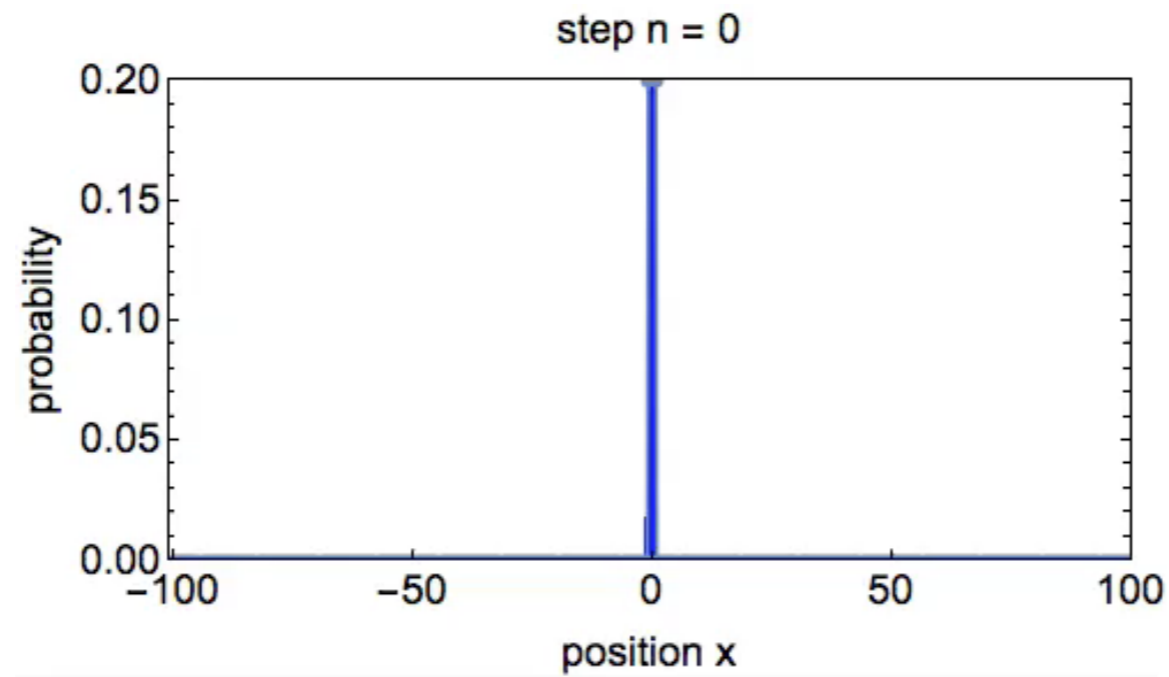
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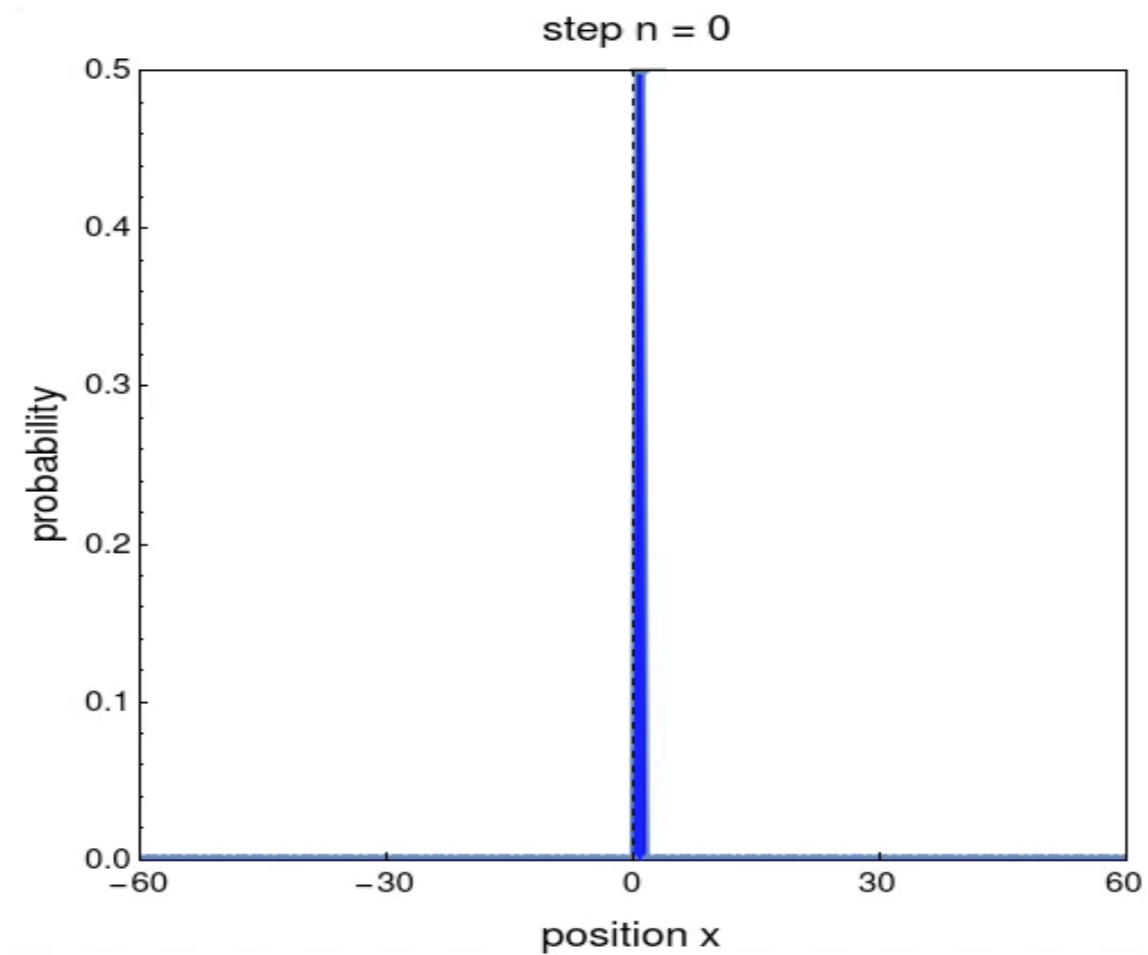
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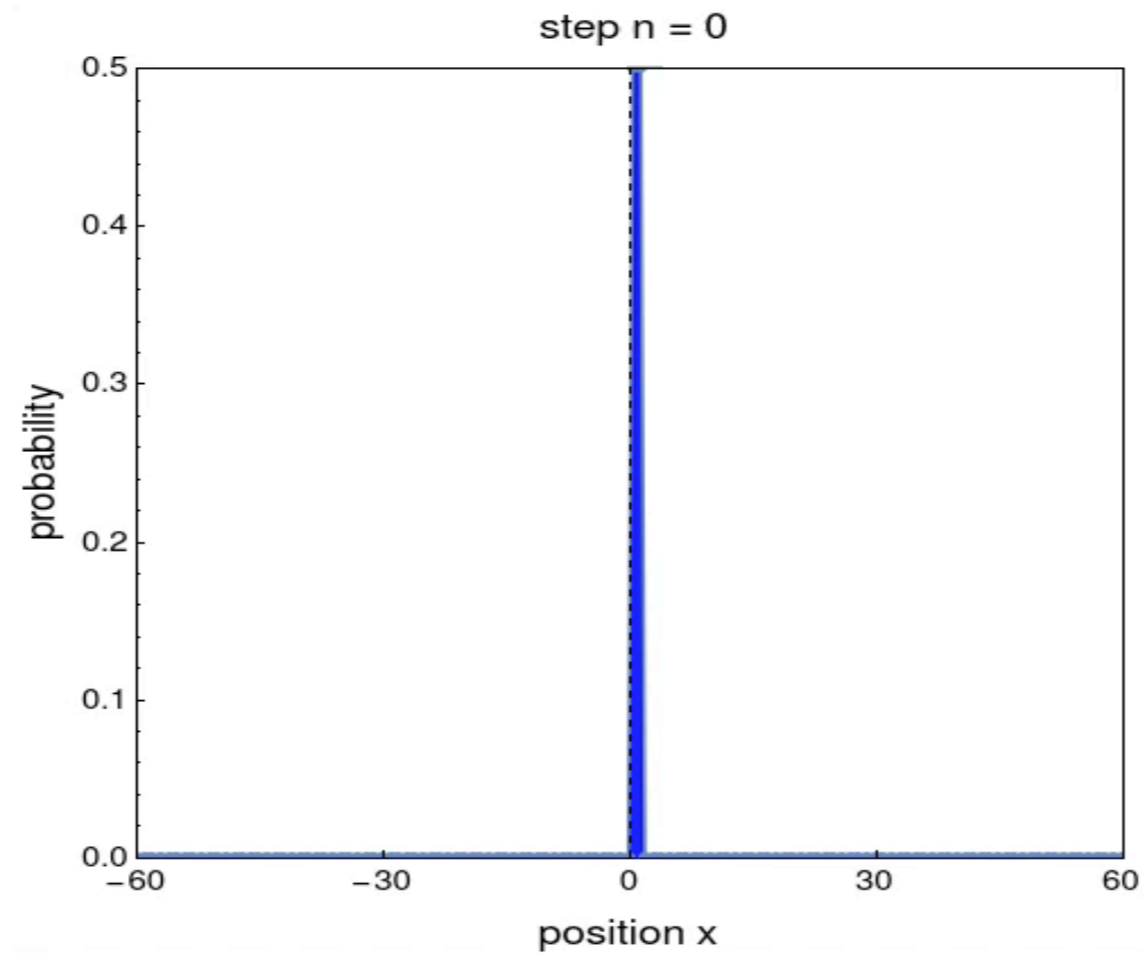
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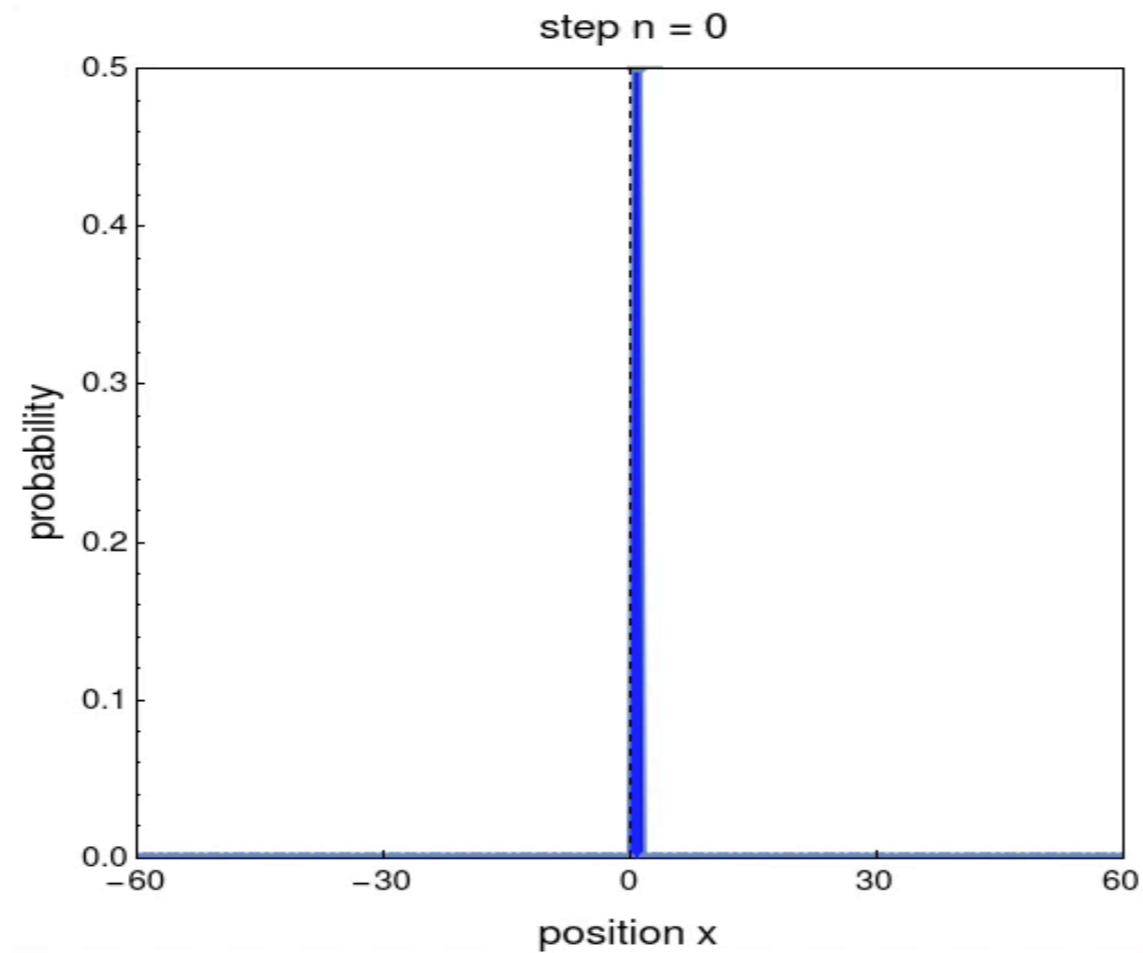
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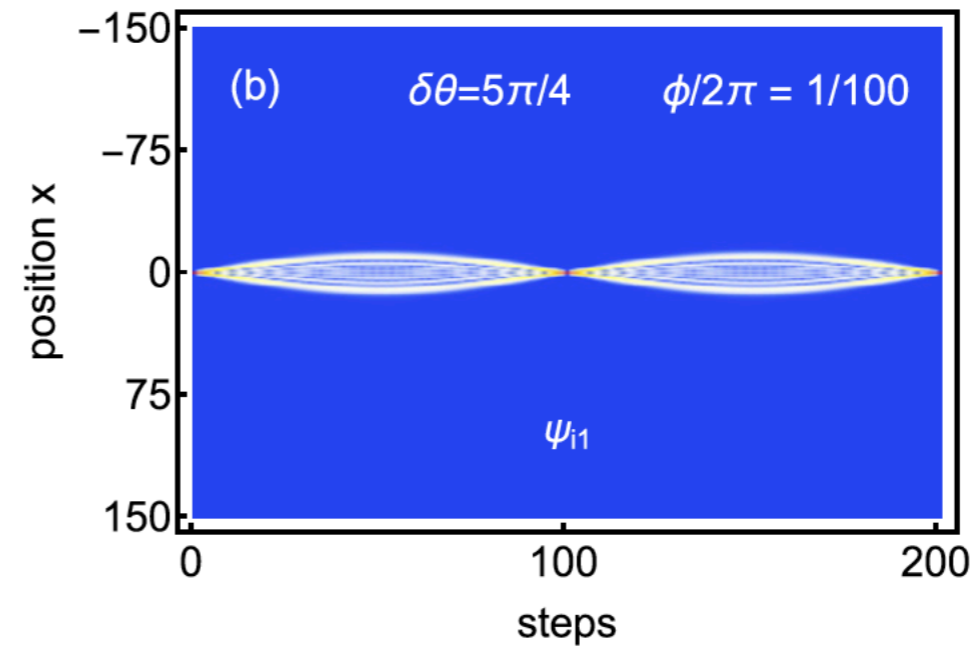
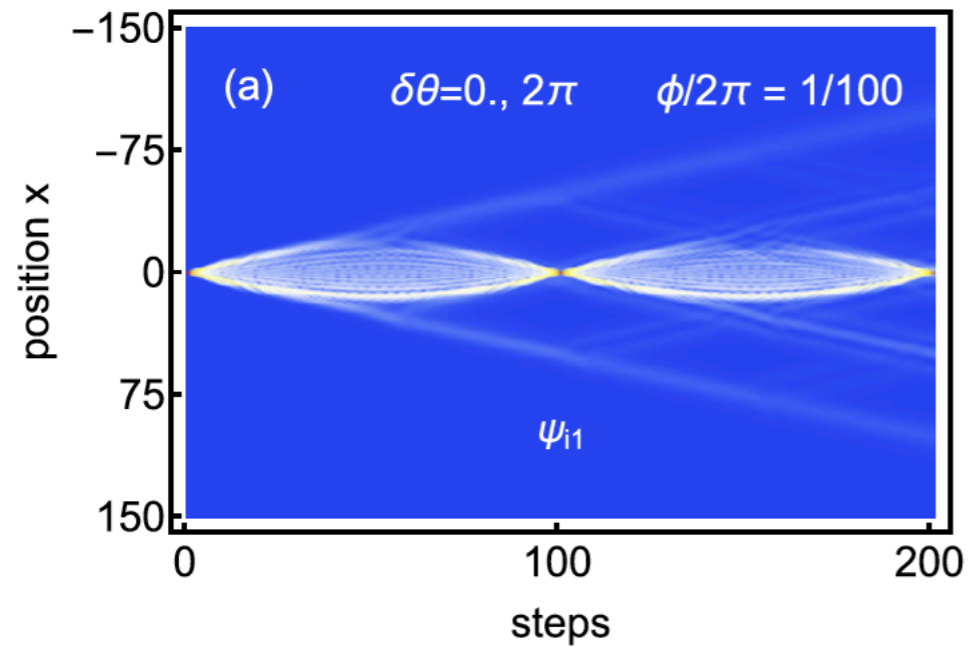
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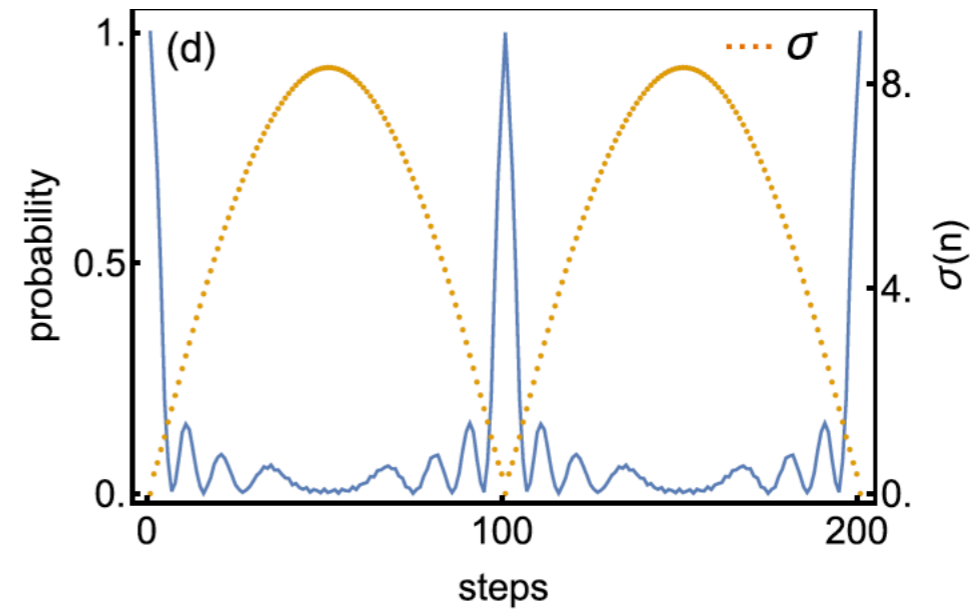
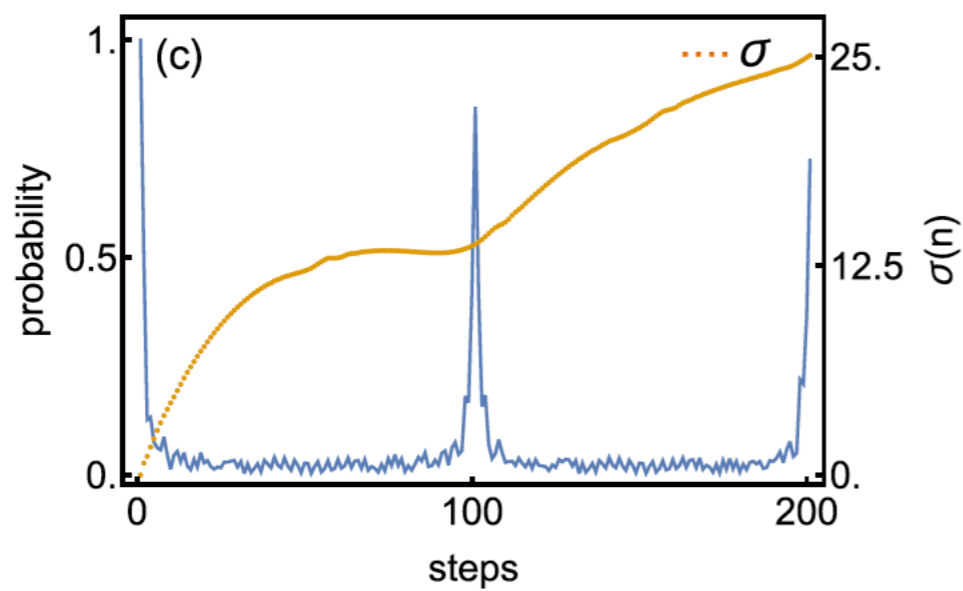
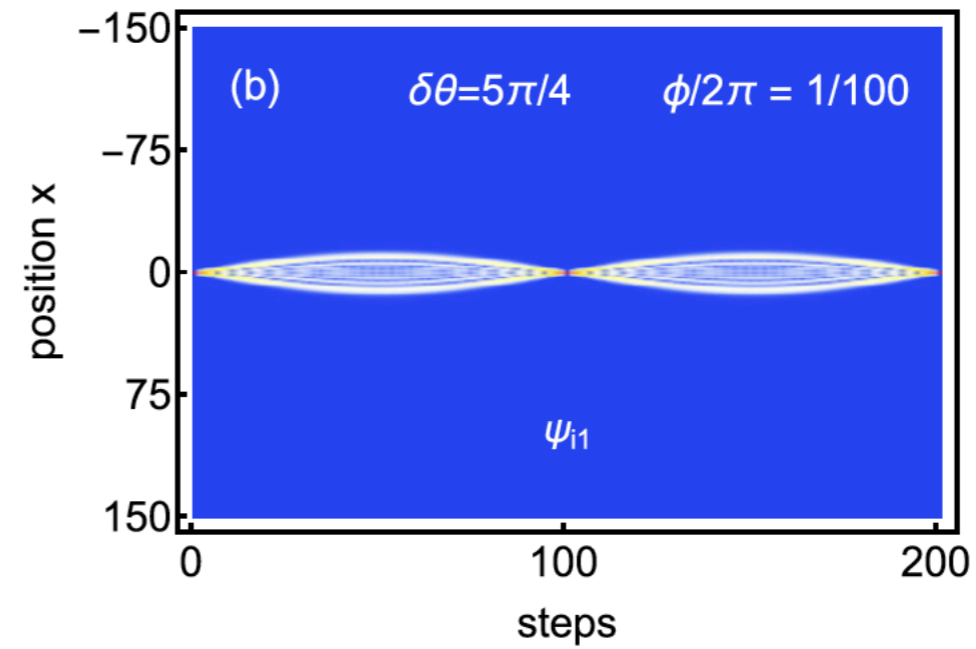
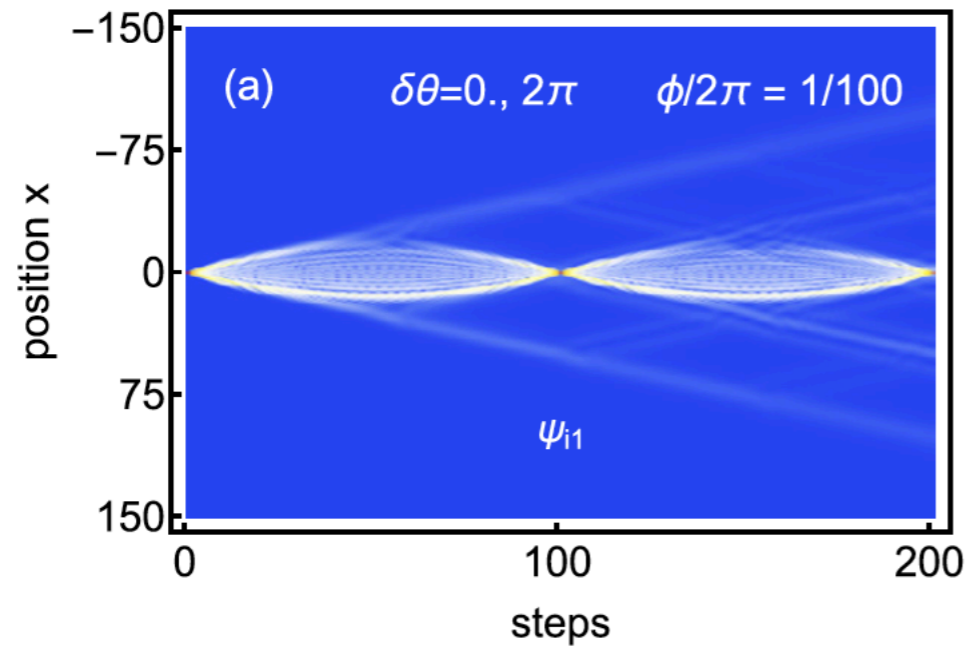


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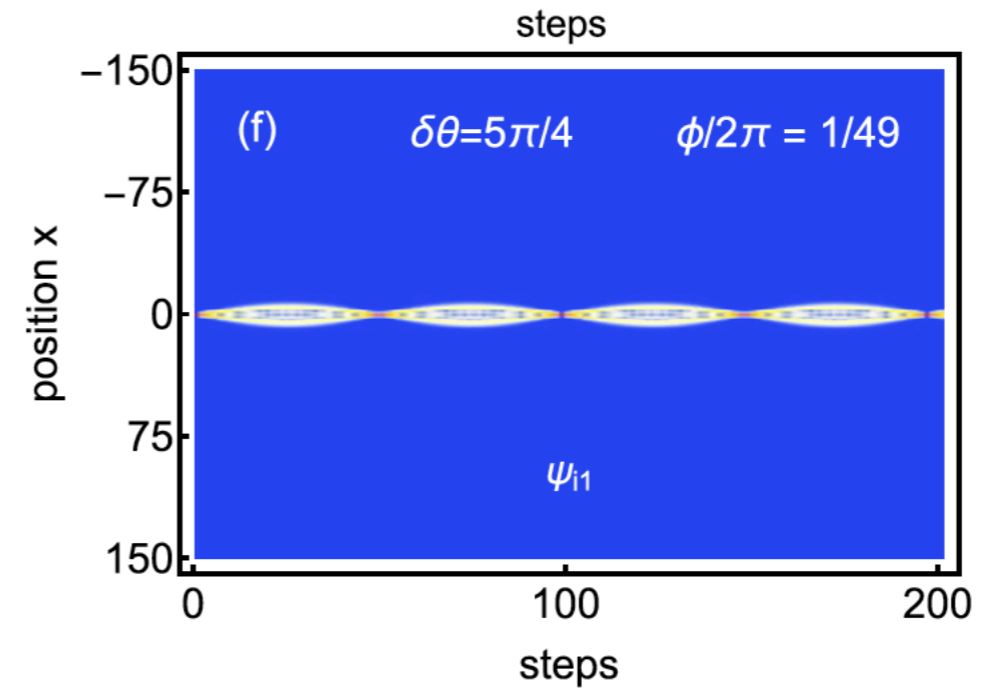
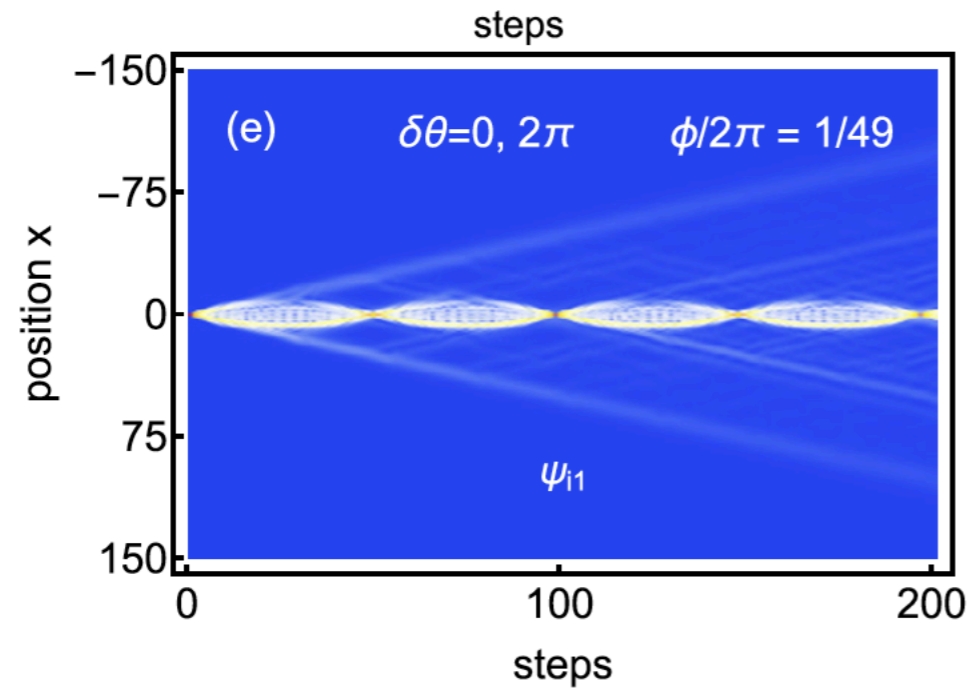


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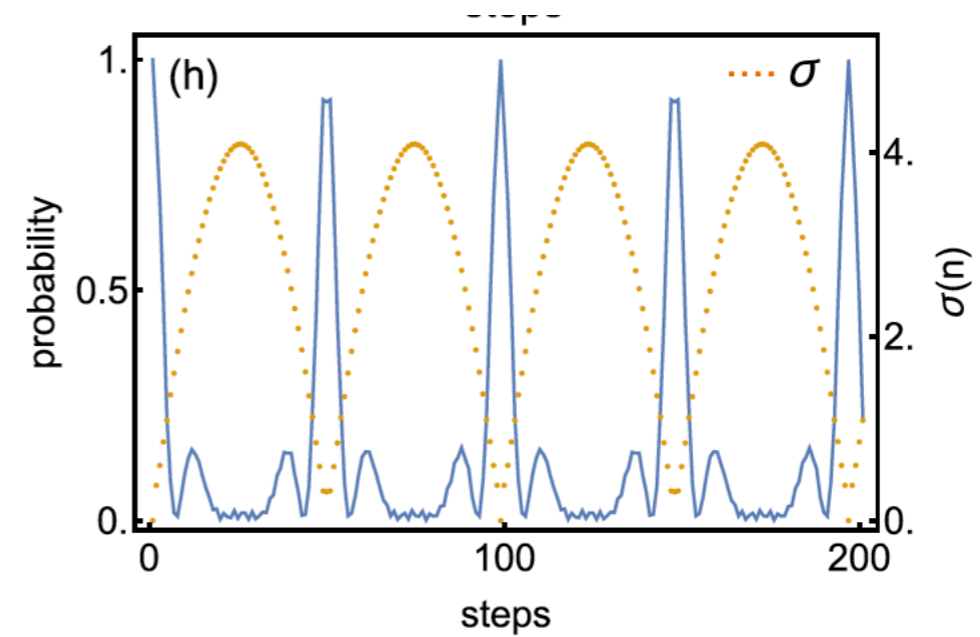
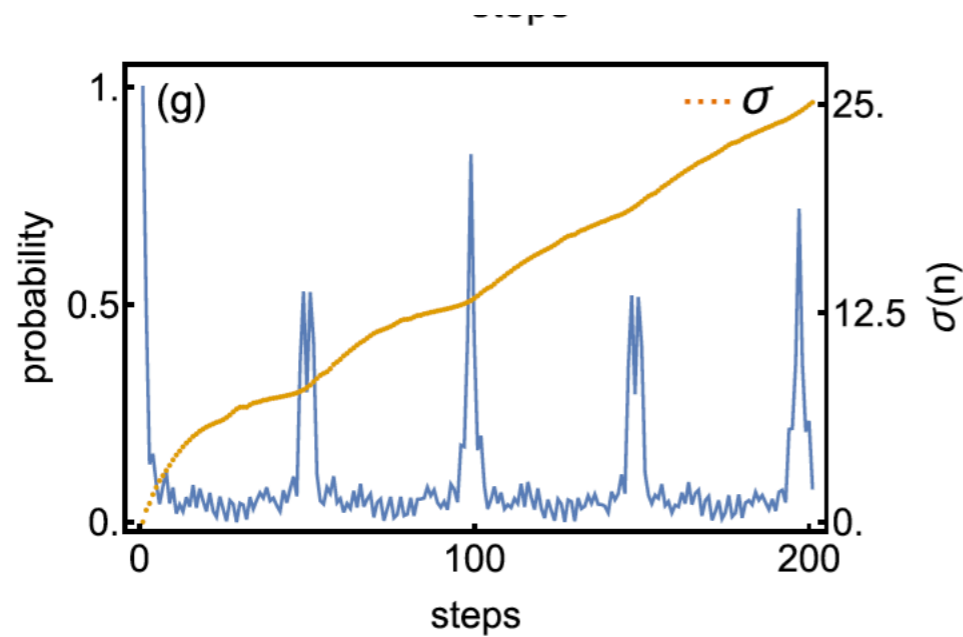
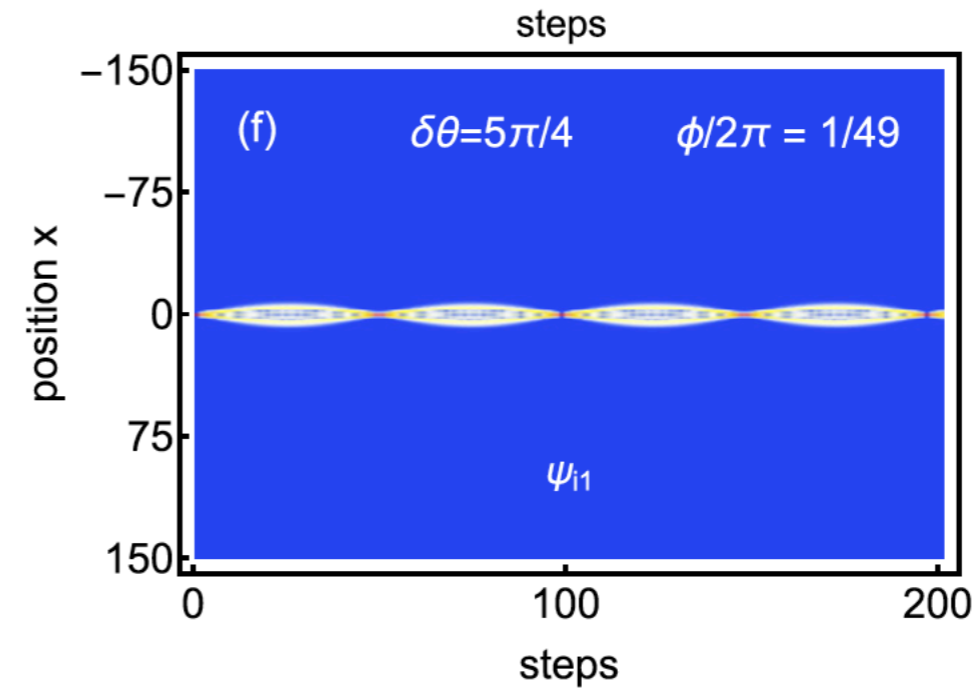
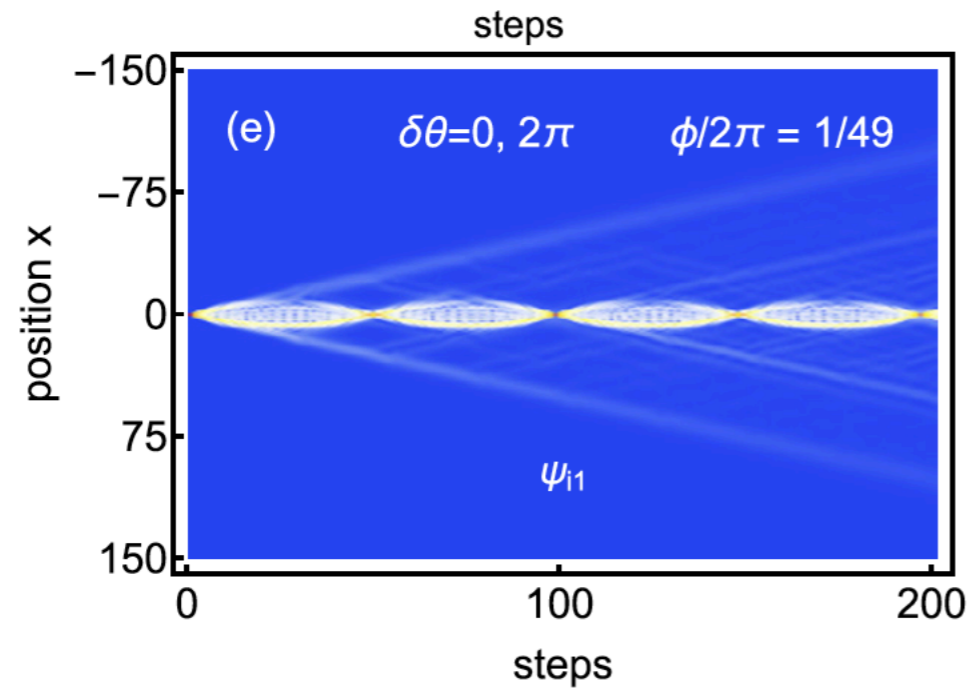


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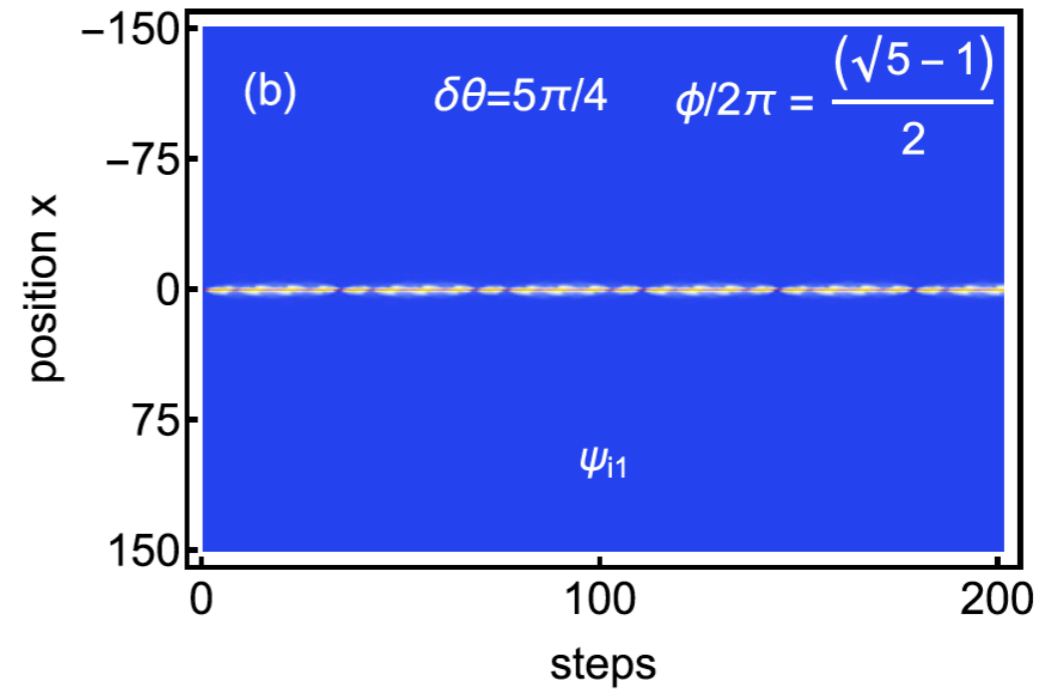
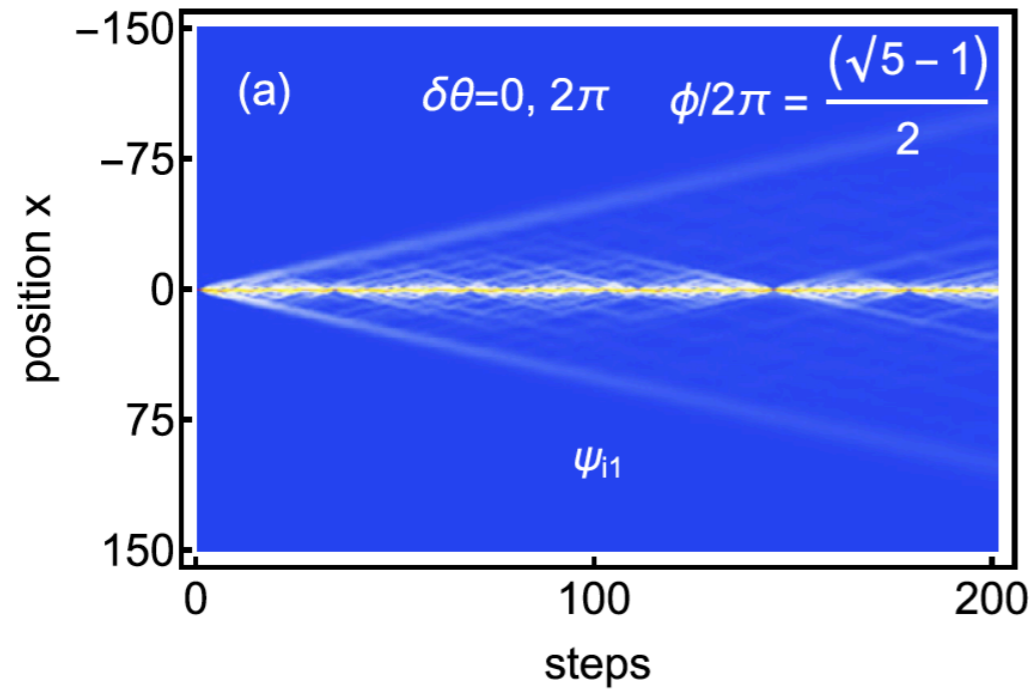


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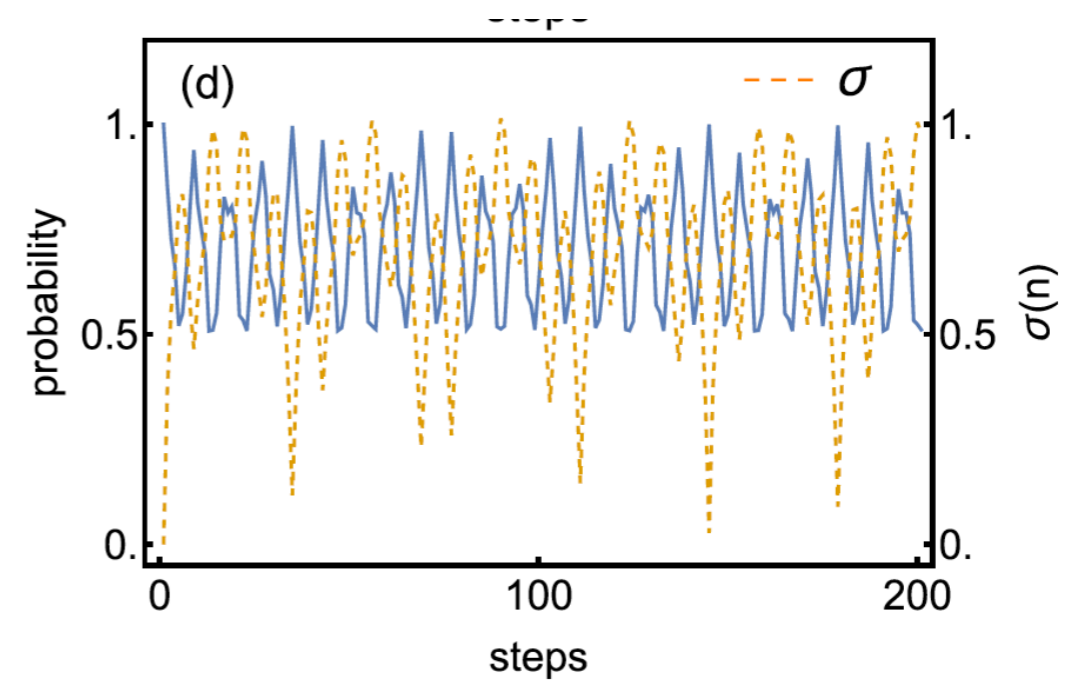
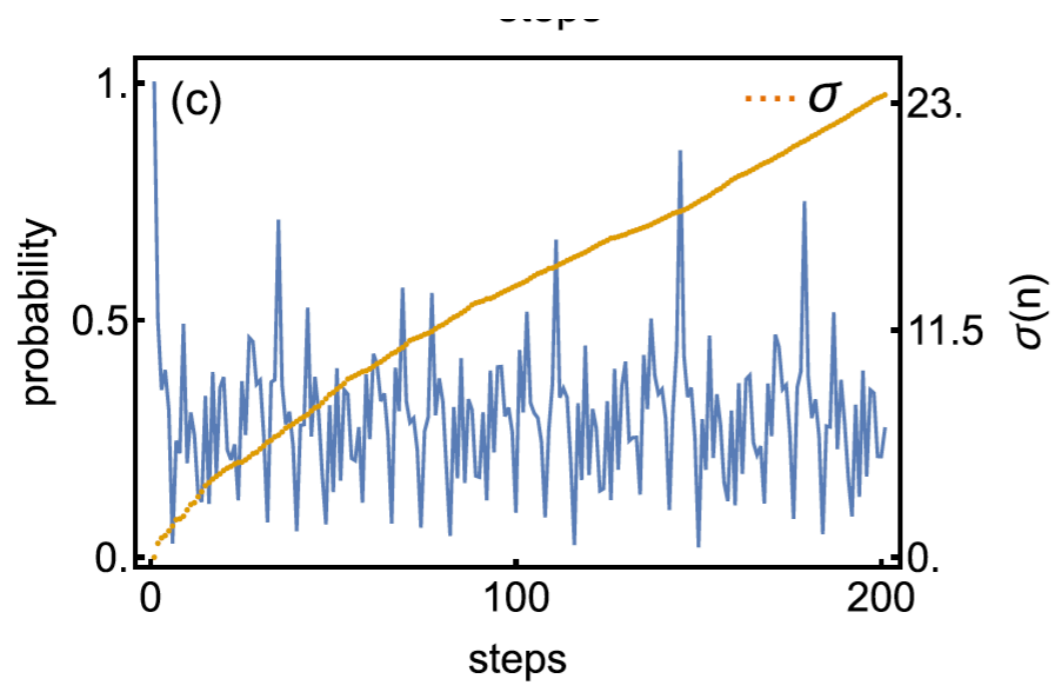
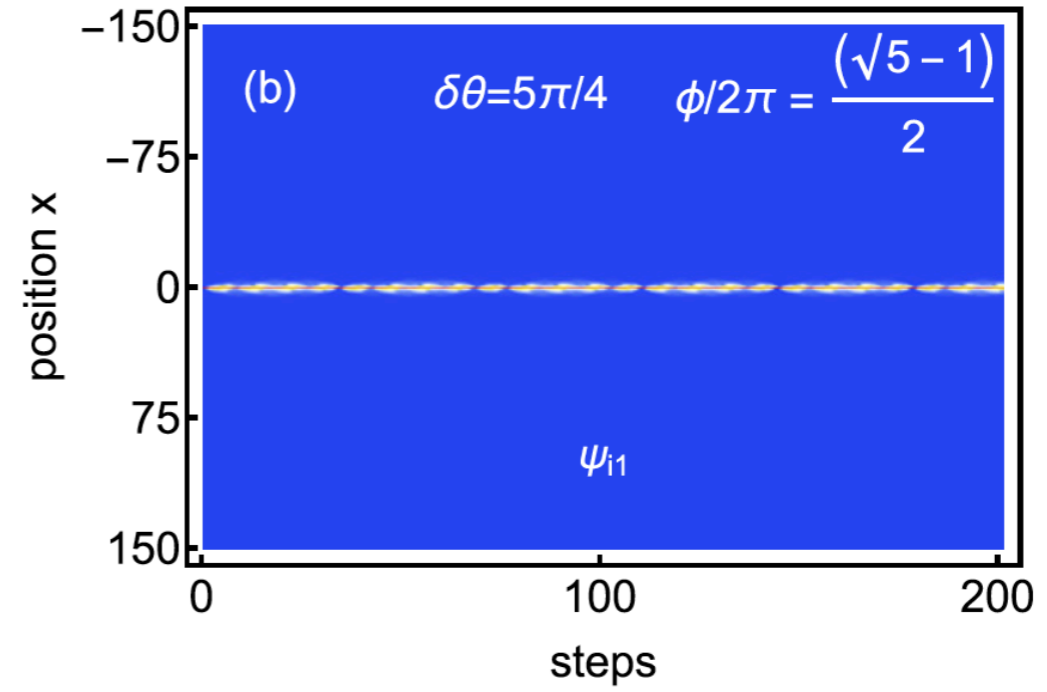
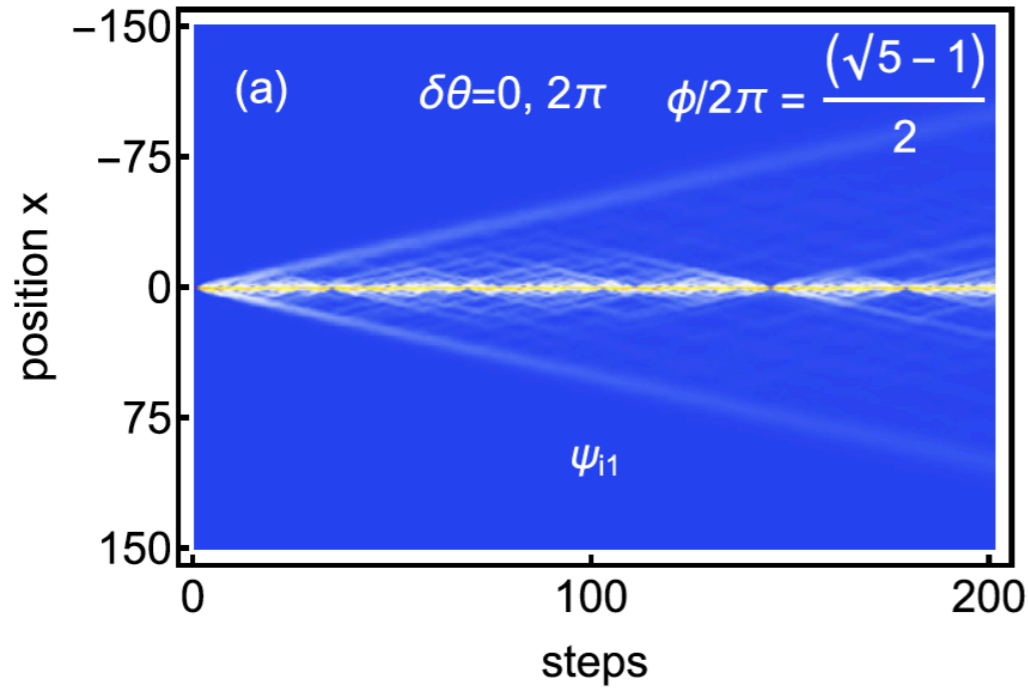


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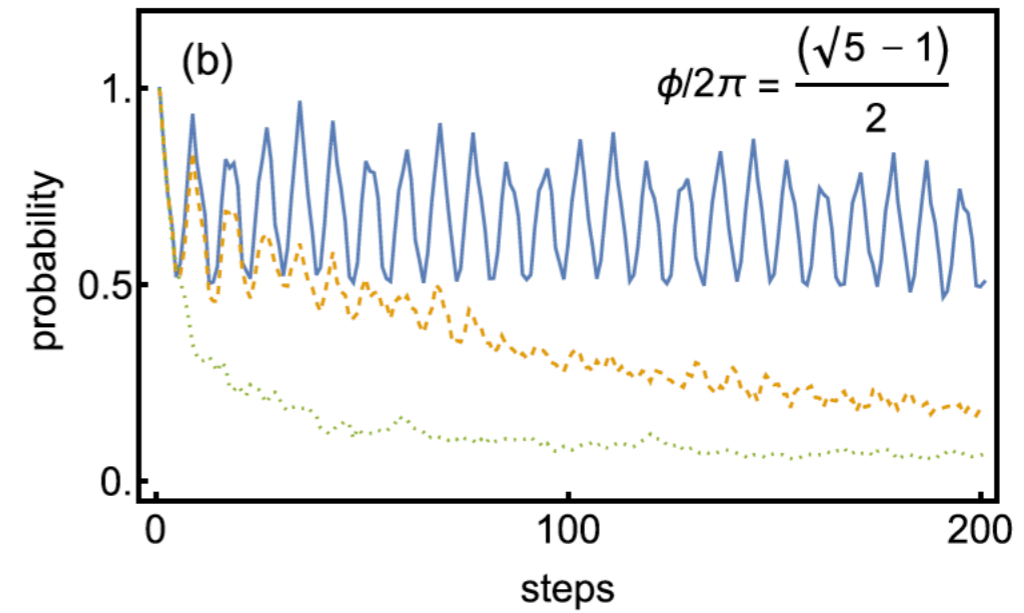
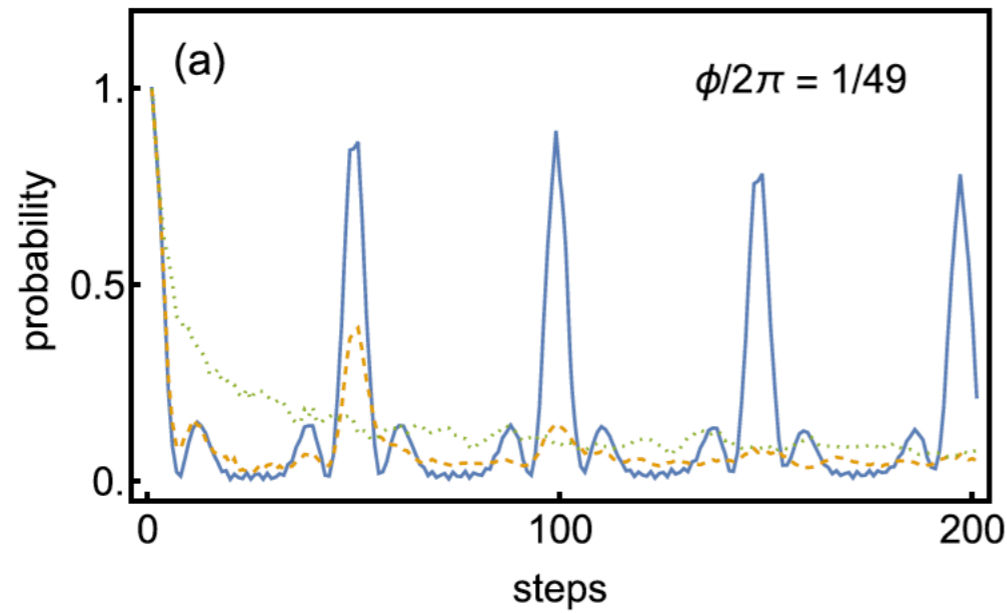
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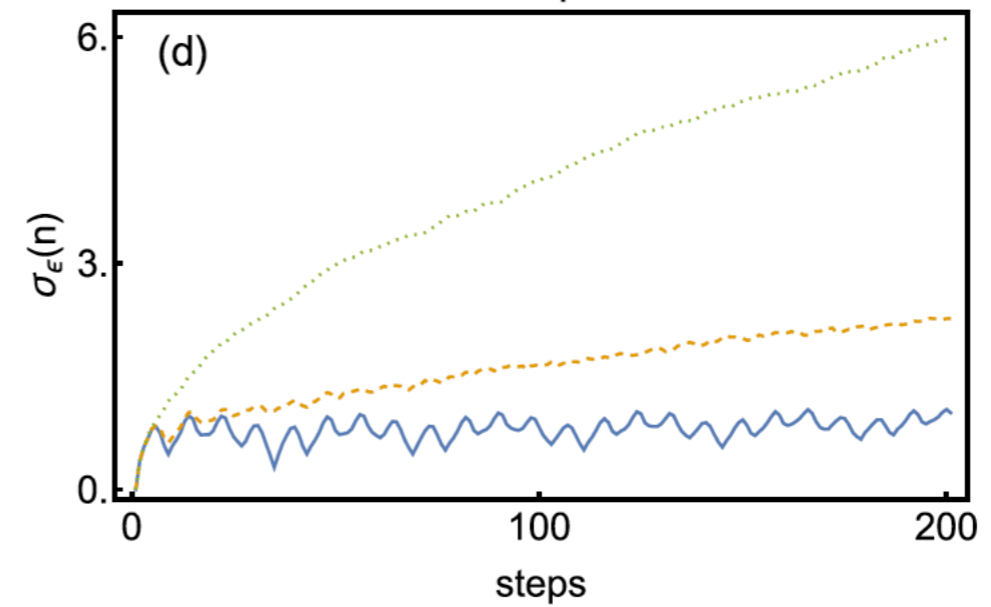
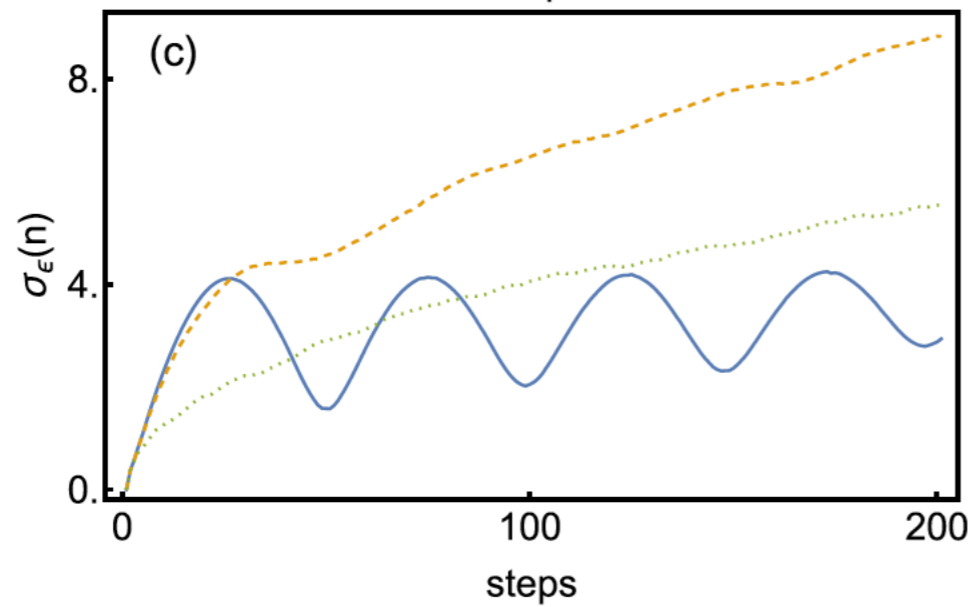
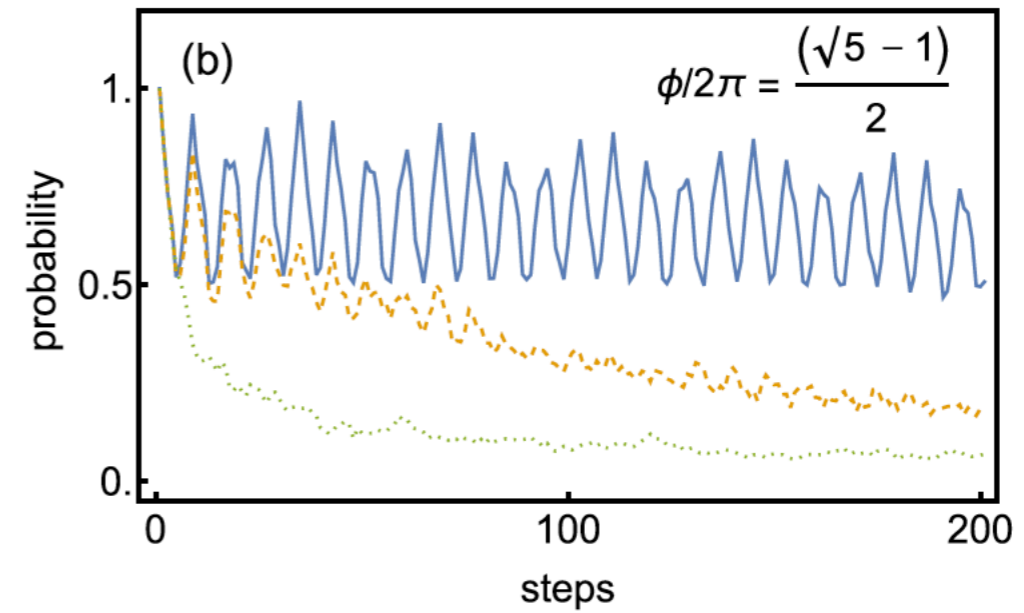
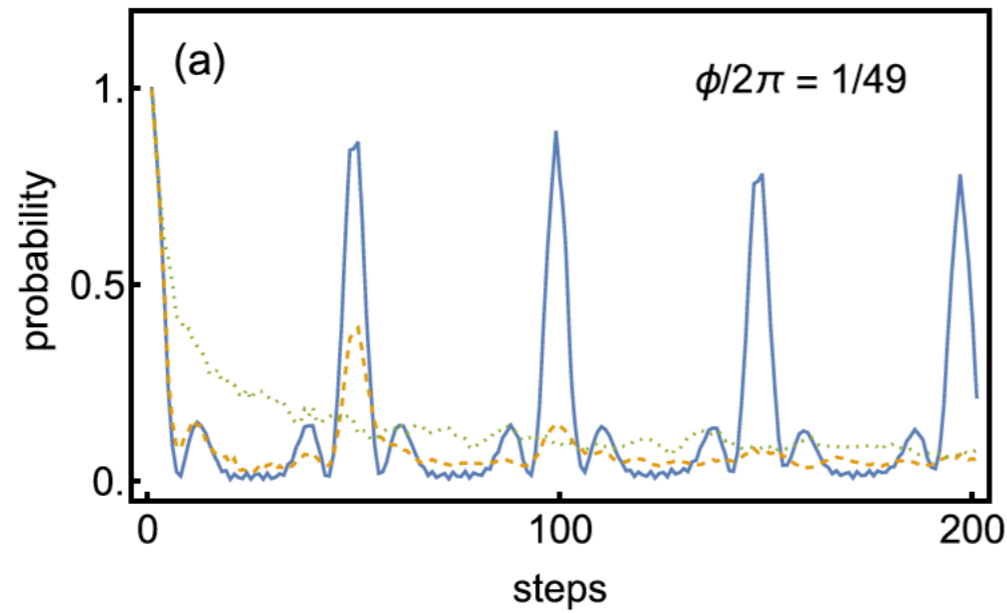






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