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# Tutorial for *SimuQ*

## a DSL for Quantum Simulation with Analog Compilation

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GitHub repo:  
<https://github.com/PicksPeng/SimuQ>

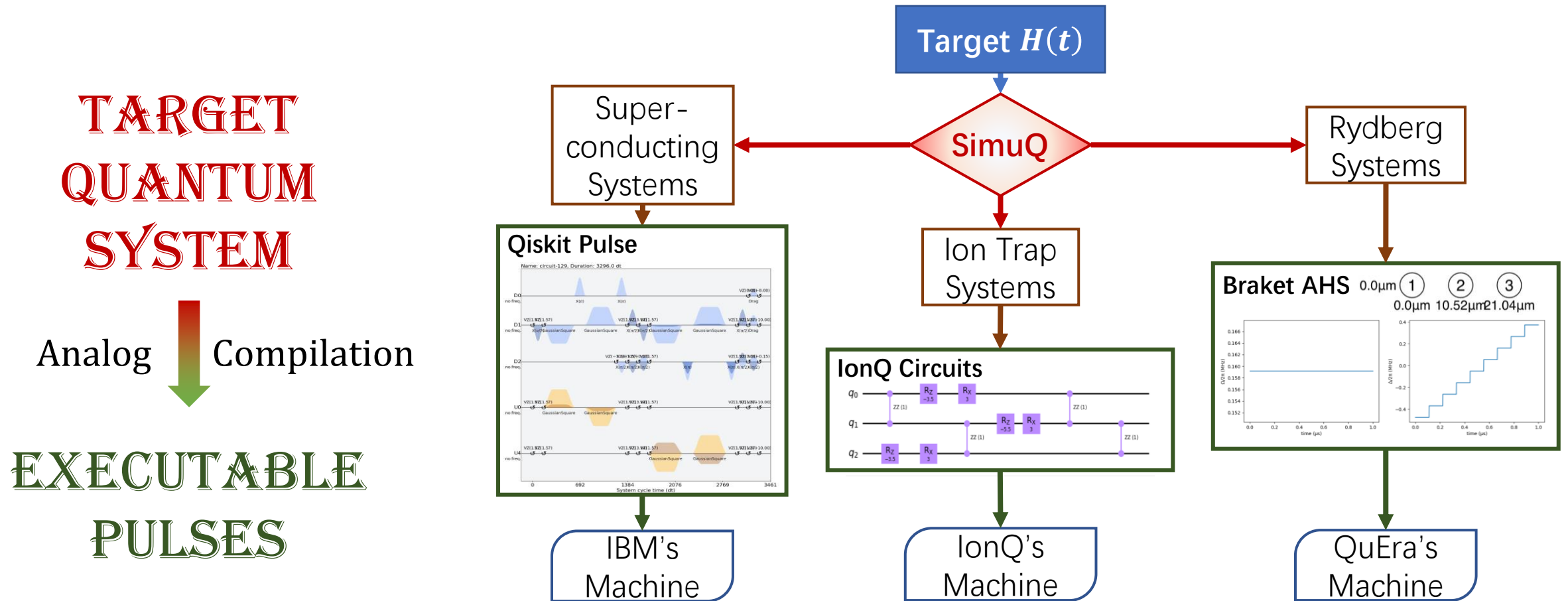


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Project website:  
<https://pickspeng.github.io/SimuQ/>

# SimuQ: SIMUlation language for Quantum



**A software tool for  
Hamiltonian-oriented quantum computing!**

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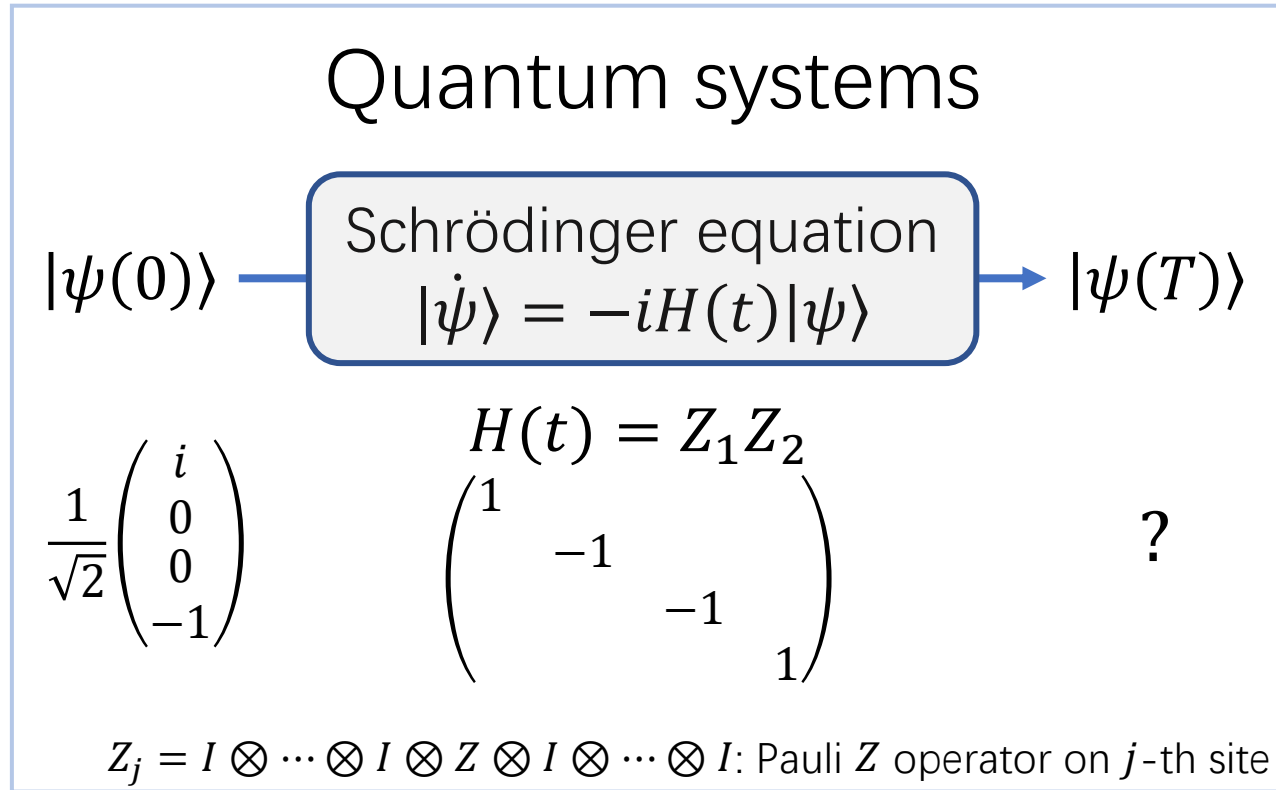
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# Quantum Hamiltonian Simulation



## Example

Hard to control

Electron dynamics

$$H = \sum_{p,q} h_{pq} a_p^\dagger a_q + \sum_{p,q,r,s} \frac{h_{pqrs}}{2} a_p^\dagger a_q^\dagger a_r a_s$$

Molecular electronic Hamiltonian

Superconducting chips

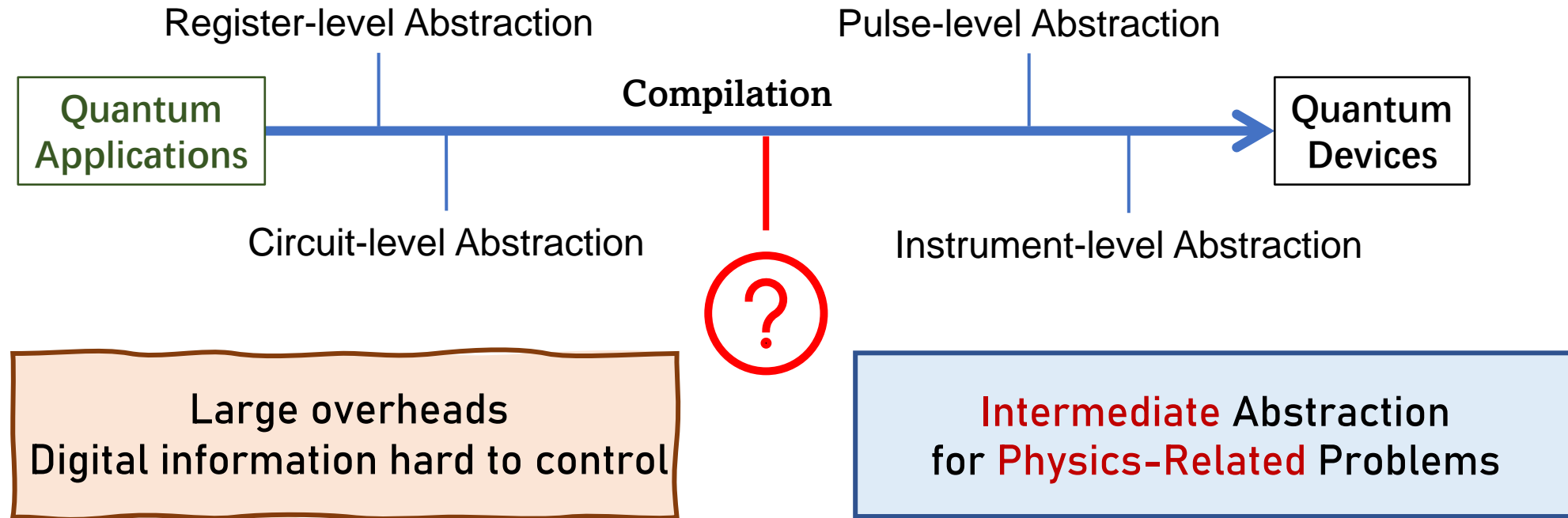
Easy to control

*"Nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of nature, you better make it quantum mechanical, <sup>hbar</sup>bars - Richard Feynman"*

**Classically hard to compute:** Exponential dimension

**Quantumly “easy” to simulate:** Map to a controllable quantum system

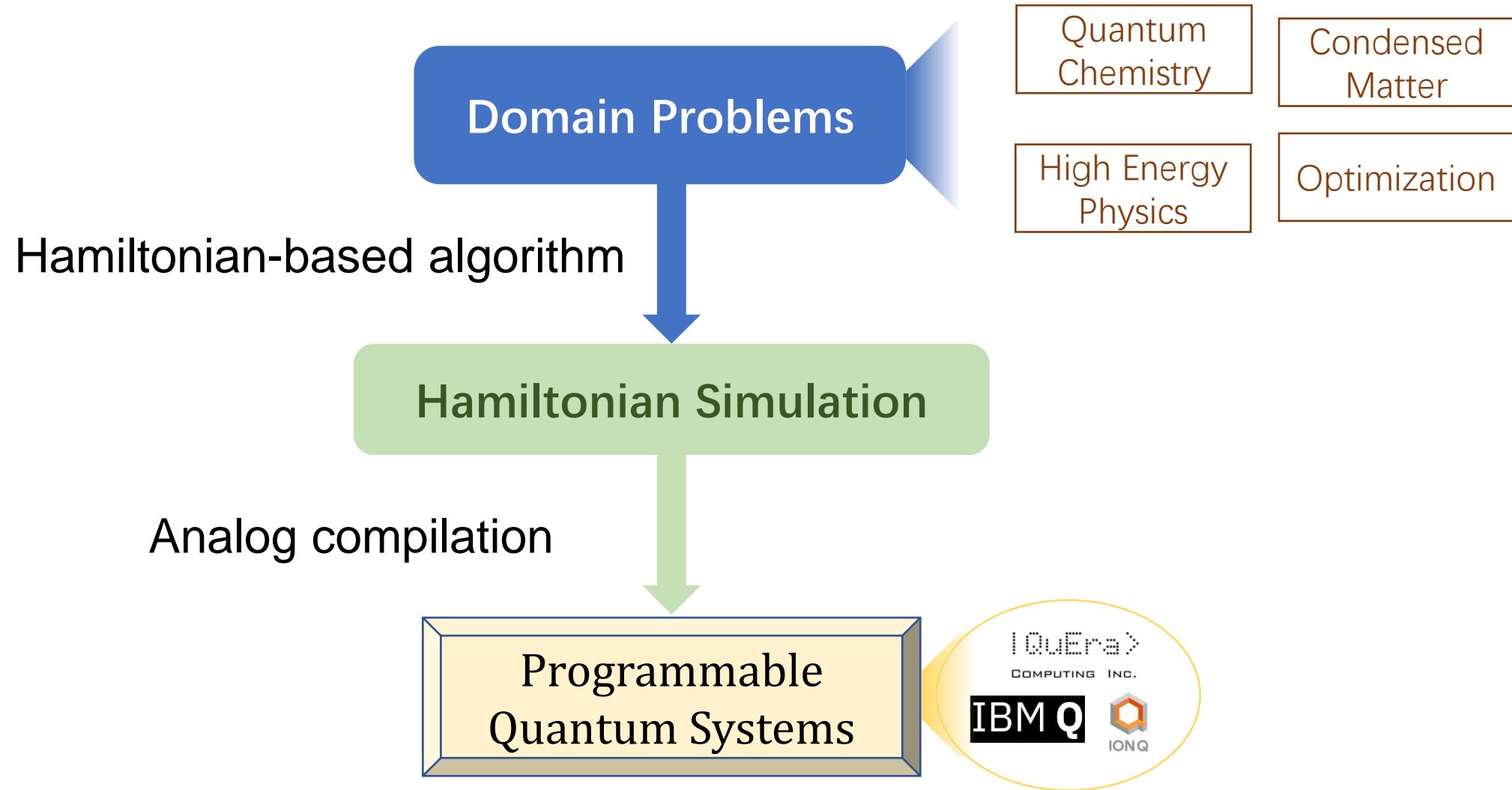
# Towards Quantum Applications



**Goal:** Deliver quantum applications on modern quantum devices

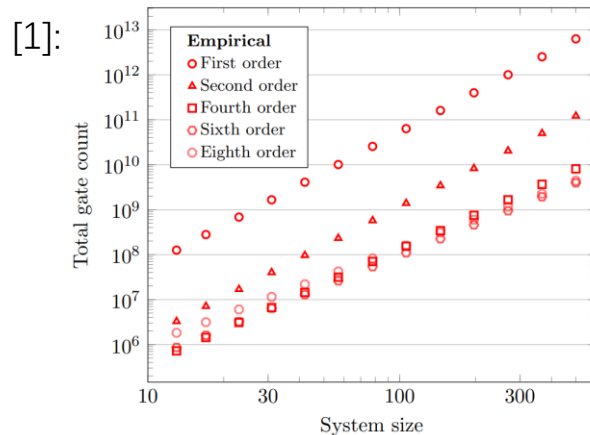
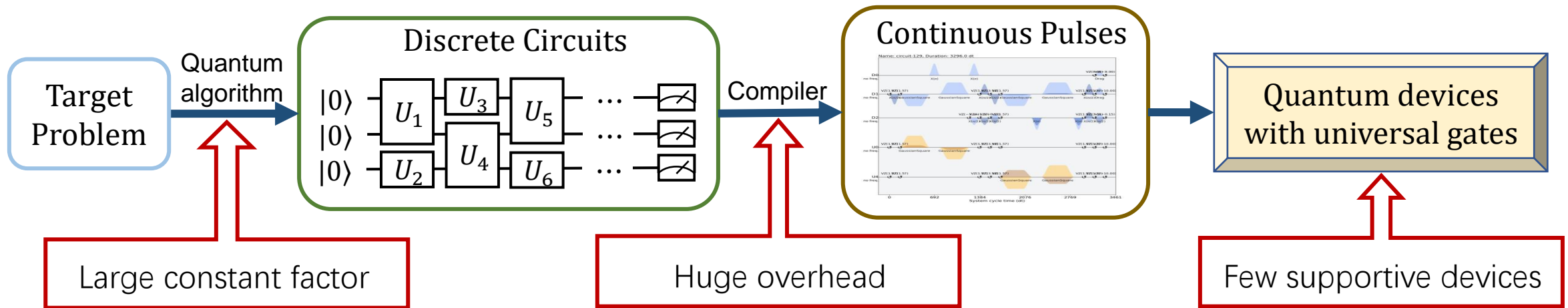
↳ **Hamiltonian-oriented** algorithm designs and programming!

# Hamiltonian-Oriented Quantum Computing



# Why Hamiltonian-Oriented?

## Digital Quantum Computing Paradigm



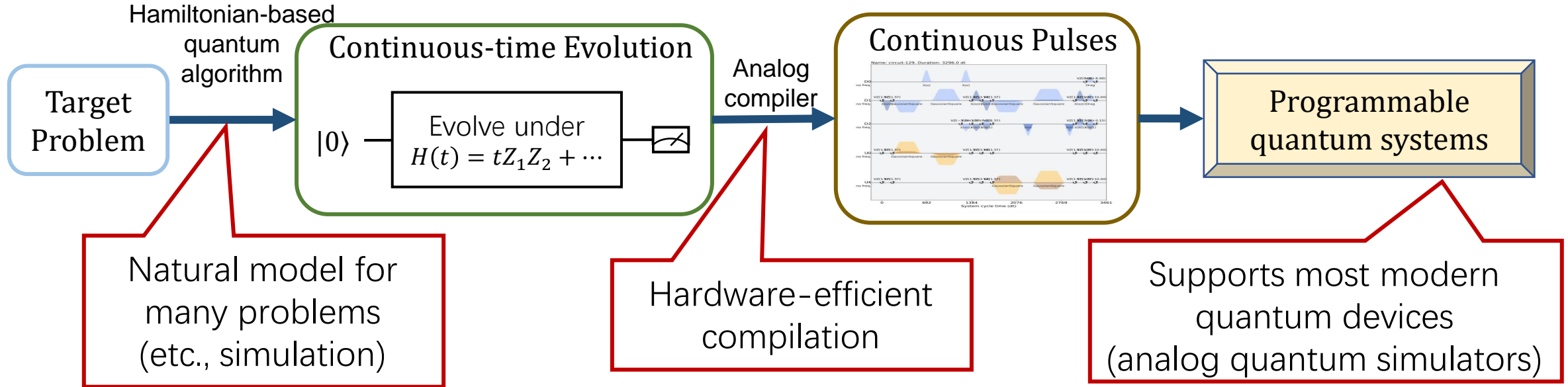
On IBM devices:  
 $10 \cdot T_{\text{CNOT}} \approx T_1 \approx T_2$   
 $T_{R_{XX}(\theta)} \approx 2 \cdot T_{\text{CNOT}}$

Available:  
Superconducting  
Ion Trap



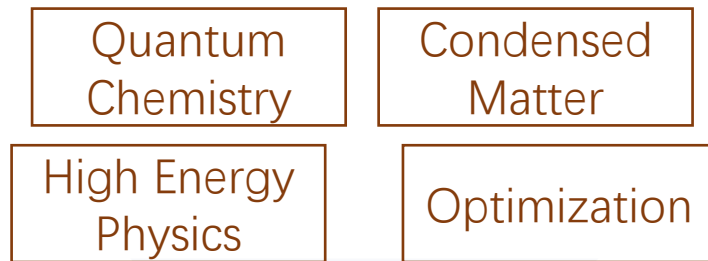
# Why Hamiltonian-Oriented?

## Analog (Hamiltonian-oriented) Quantum Computing Paradigm



**Ready** for modern quantum devices!

# A New Trend in Scientific Researches



Domain Problems

Hamiltonian Simulation

Programmable Quantum Systems



>20 papers published since 2020 in Physics Review & Nature series

Article | Published: 30 November 2022  
**Traversable wormhole dynamics on a quantum processor**

Article | Published: 07 July 2021  
**Quantum simulation of 2D antiferromagnets with hundreds of Rydberg atoms**

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**Observation of gauge invariance in a 71-site Bose-Hubbard quantum simulator**

Published: 22 June 2016  
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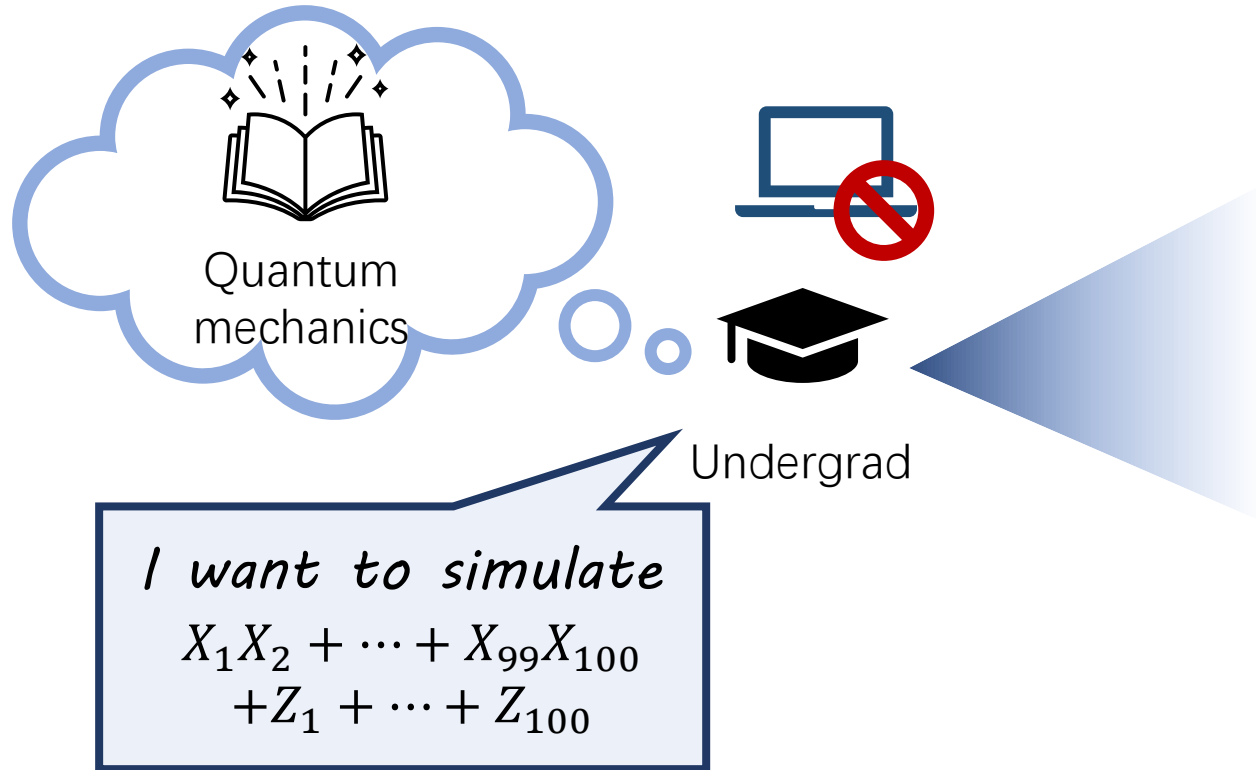
Editors' Suggestion  
**Trailhead for quantum simulation of SU(3) Yang-Mills lattice gauge theory in the local multiplet basis**

**Quantum simulation of nuclear inelastic scattering**

**Simulating the dynamics of braiding of Majorana zero modes using an IBM quantum computer**

**Quantum simulation of nuclear inelastic scattering**

# Quantum Simulation for Everyone

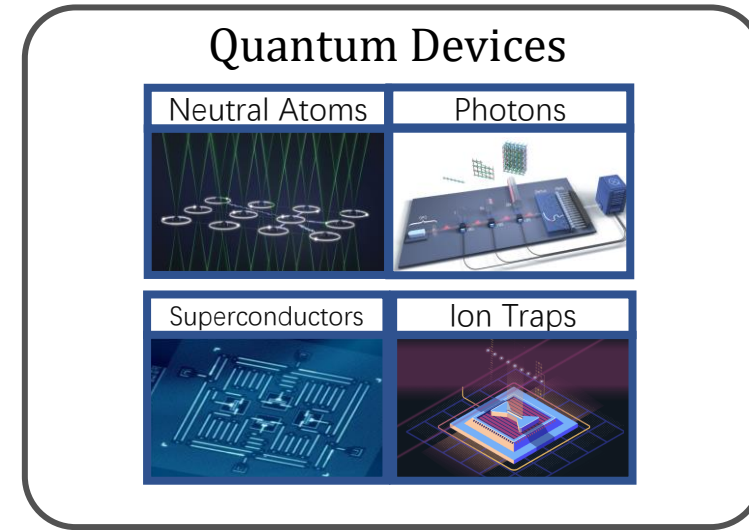


**Reality:**

Lack of software supports



**SimuQ breaks barriers!**



## Domain-specific knowledges

- Analog or digital devices?
- Device physics and specifications?
- Quantum algorithms?
- Programming languages?
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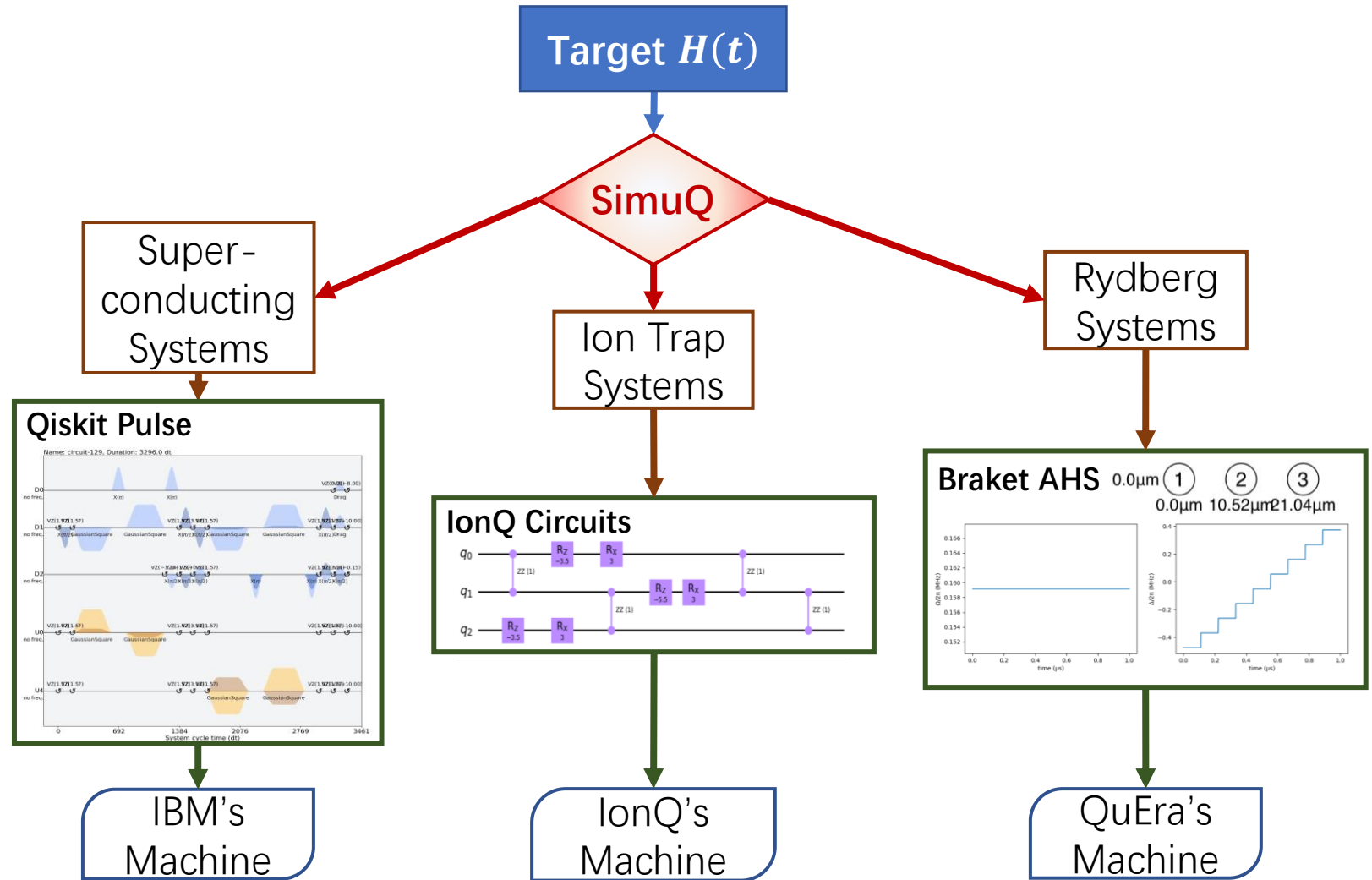
# SimuQ: SIMUlation language for Quantum

TARGET  
QUANTUM  
SYSTEM

Analog  Compilation

EXECUTABLE  
PULSES

- Analog instruction sets
- Hardware-efficient compilation
- Supports analog simulators



# Example: Quantum Walk



$$L = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 & \\ & & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ & & & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Simulate  $U(t) = e^{-iLt}$

## Circuit-based implementation

1. Decompose  $L$  into Pauli tensors
2. Apply Trotterization
3. Decompose into CNOT-based circuits  
 $\Rightarrow \sim 50$  CNOT gates per step

Close to the limits of modern devices

## Hamiltonian-Oriented Algorithm Design

**Hamiltonian embedding** [1] ( $n = N - 1$ ):

$$H = g(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} Z_j Z_{j+1} + Z_1 + (-1)^n Z_n) \quad \text{Penalty} \\ + \hat{n}_1 + (-1)^n \hat{n}_n - \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \quad \text{Perturbation}$$

Perturbation theory:  $e^{-iHt}|_{\mathcal{H}} \approx e^{-iLt}$   
 $\mathcal{H} = \text{span}(\{|5\rangle, |13\rangle, |9\rangle, |11\rangle, |10\rangle\})$ :

➡ Can be deployed on Rydberg devices (up to 256 atoms)

# Example: Quantum Walk

```
walk = QSystem()

n = N - 1
q = [qubit(walk) for _ in range(n)]
nhath = [(q[j].I - q[j].Z) / 2 for j in range(n)]
sgnn = -1 if n % 2 == 1 else 1

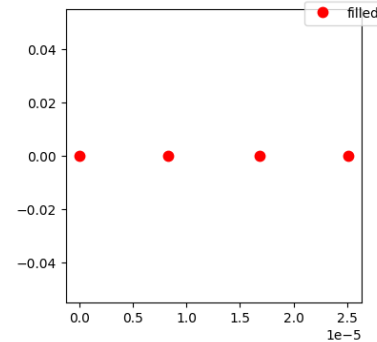
Hpen = q[0].Z + sgnn * q[n - 1].Z
for j in range(n - 1):
    Hpen += q[j].Z * q[j + 1].Z

Q = nhath[0] + sgnn * nhath[n - 1]
for j in range(n):
    Q -= q[j].X

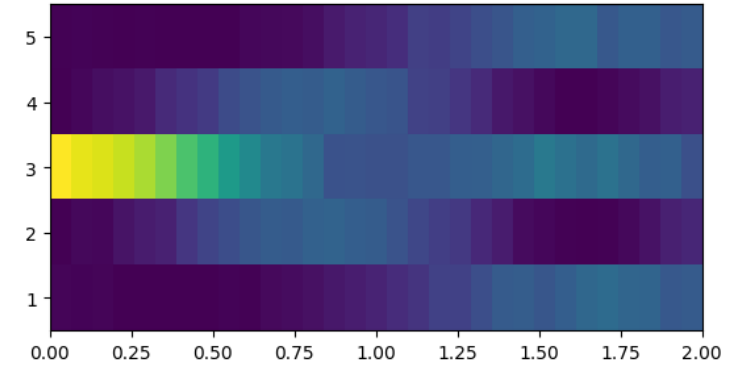
H = g * Hpen + Q
walk.add_evolution(H, T)
```

Programming

Compile

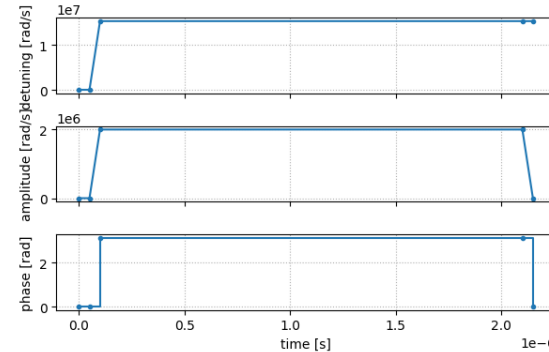


Execution



initial state  $|00100\rangle$

Results

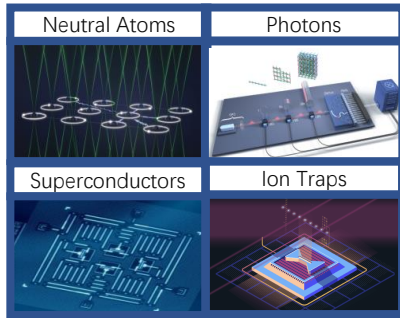


Visualization

*Automated by SimuQ*

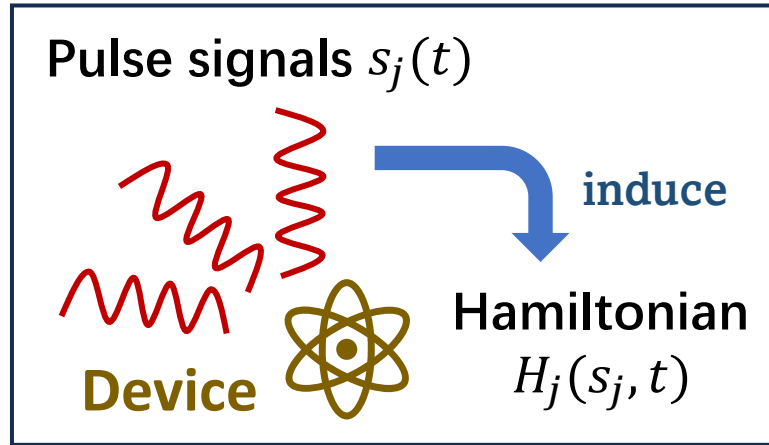
More details in Notebook session 2

# Abstraction for Analog Quantum Simulators



Different devices are  
vastly different

A unifying description



Device Hamiltonian:

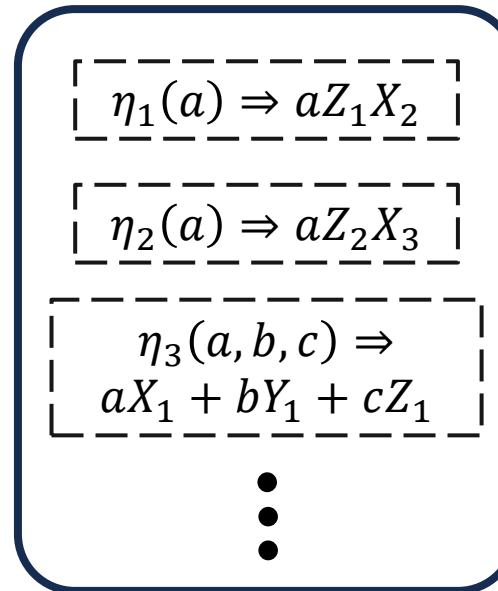
$$H(t) = H_0(t) + \sum_j H_j(s_j, t)$$

Device evolution:

$$U = \mathcal{T} \exp(-i \int H(t) dt)$$

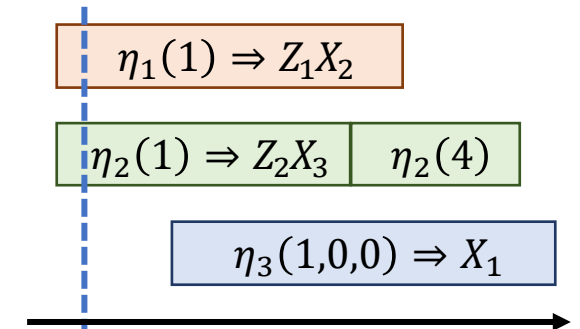
ABSTRACT

## Abstract Analog Instruction Set



Parameterized Hamiltonians

## Schedule



$t$

$$\begin{aligned} H(t) &= \eta_1(1) + \eta_2(1) \\ &= Z_1X_2 + Z_2X_3 \\ \text{Device evolution:} \\ U &= \mathcal{T} \exp(-i \int H(t) dt) \end{aligned}$$

# Example: Rydberg AAIS

## Configurable Parameters:

1. Atom position  $\{\tilde{x}_j\}_{j=1}^N$ .
2. Local laser configurations  $\left\{\left(\tilde{\Delta}_j(t), \tilde{\Omega}_j(t), \tilde{\phi}_j(t)\right)\right\}_{j=1}^N$



## Device Hamiltonian:

$$H(t) = \sum_{j < k} H_{aa}^{(jk)} + \sum_j H_{\text{laser}}^{(j)}(t)$$

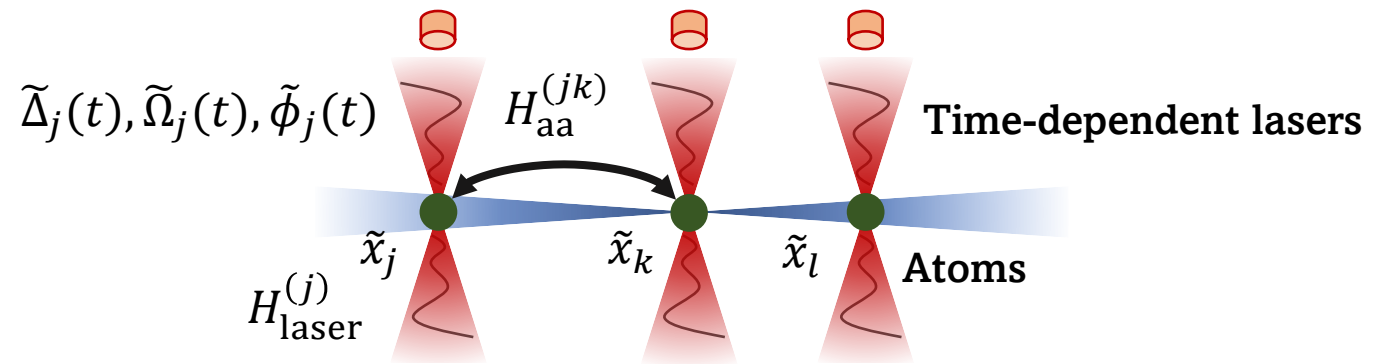
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$$H_{\text{laser}}^{(j)}(t) = \tilde{\Delta}_j(t) \hat{n}_j + \frac{\tilde{\Omega}_j(t)}{2} H_{\text{phase}}^{(j)}(\tilde{\phi}_j(t))$$

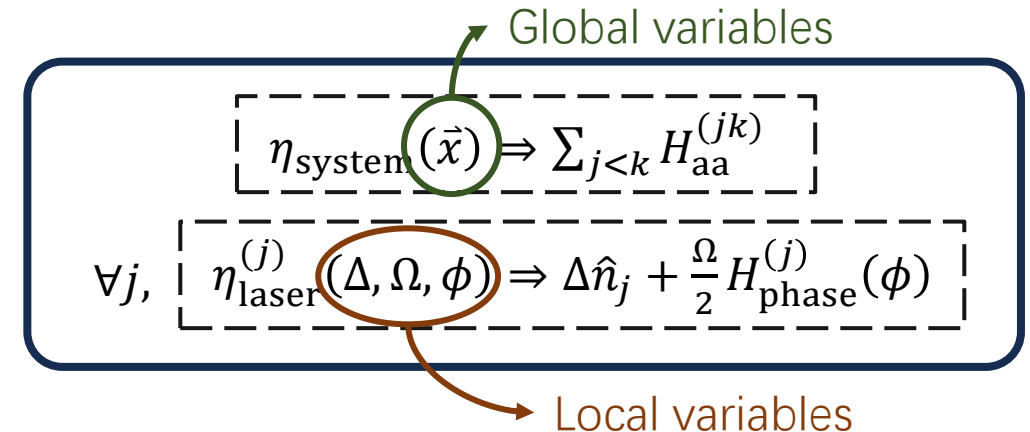
$$H_{\text{phase}}^{(j)}(\phi) = \cos(\phi) X_j - \sin(\phi) Y_j$$

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ABSTRACT

## Laser emitters



## AAIS



More details in Advanced discussion



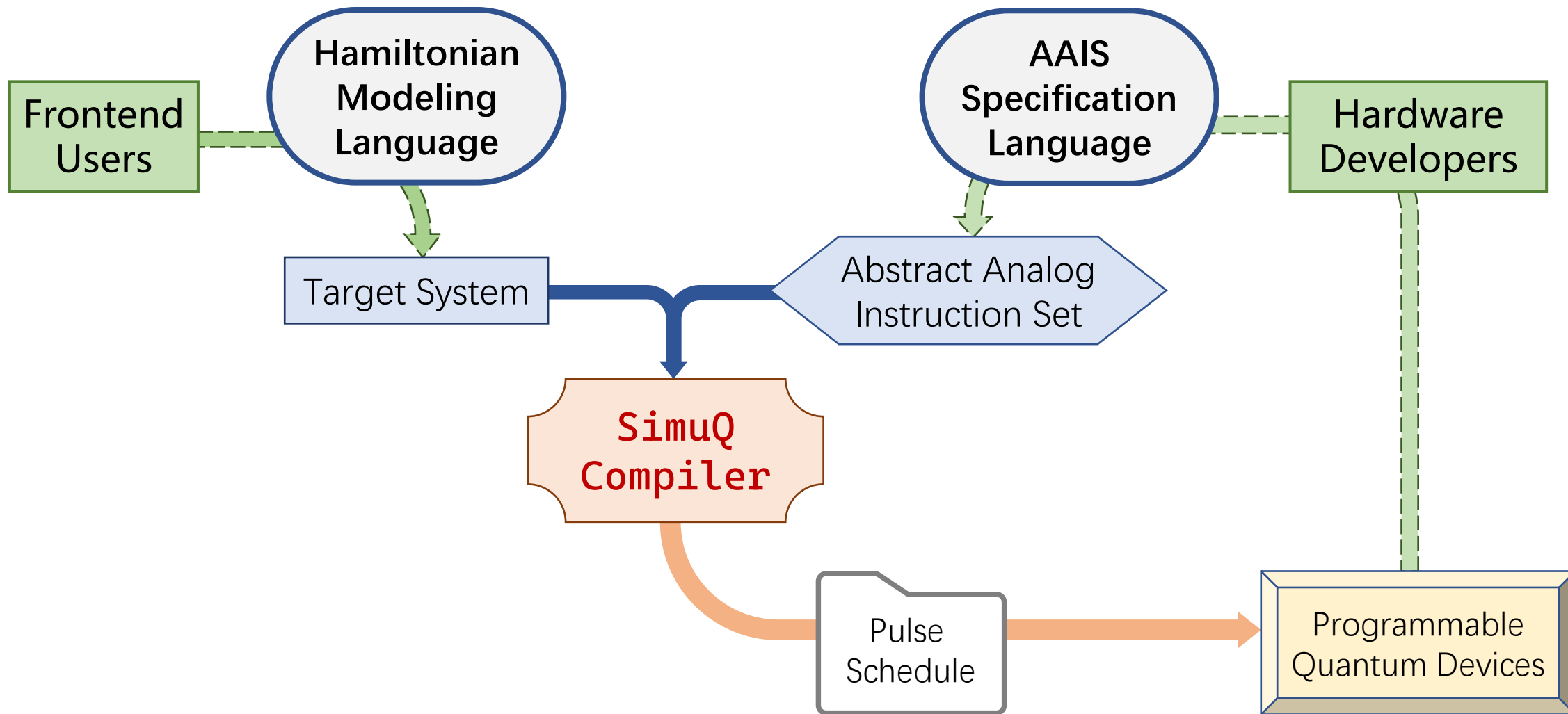
# Abstract Analog Instruction Set (AAIS)



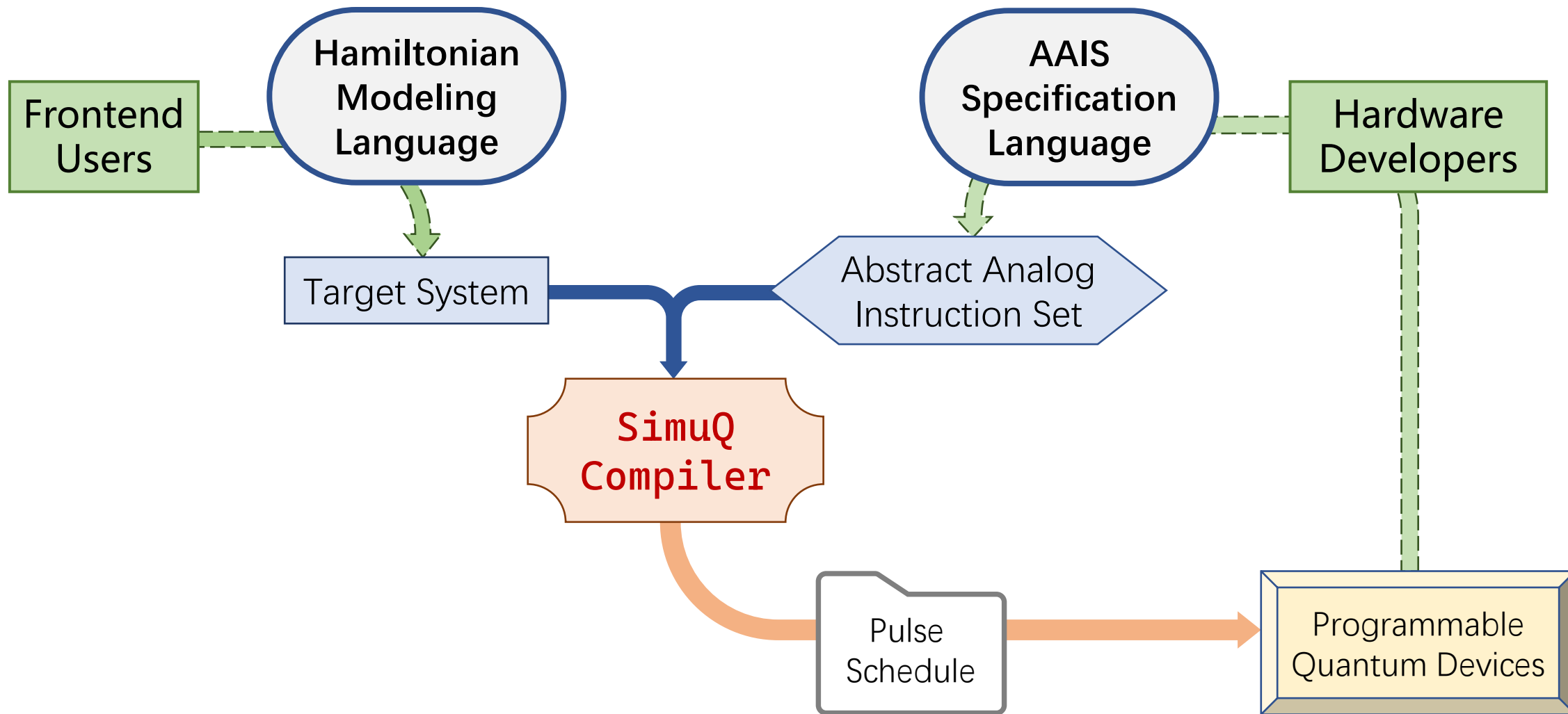
- Exposes **programmability** of analog quantum simulators.
- Can be programmed via AAIS-SL.
- Enables automatic analog compilation.
- A new computational model.

*Generalize* circuit-based quantum devices

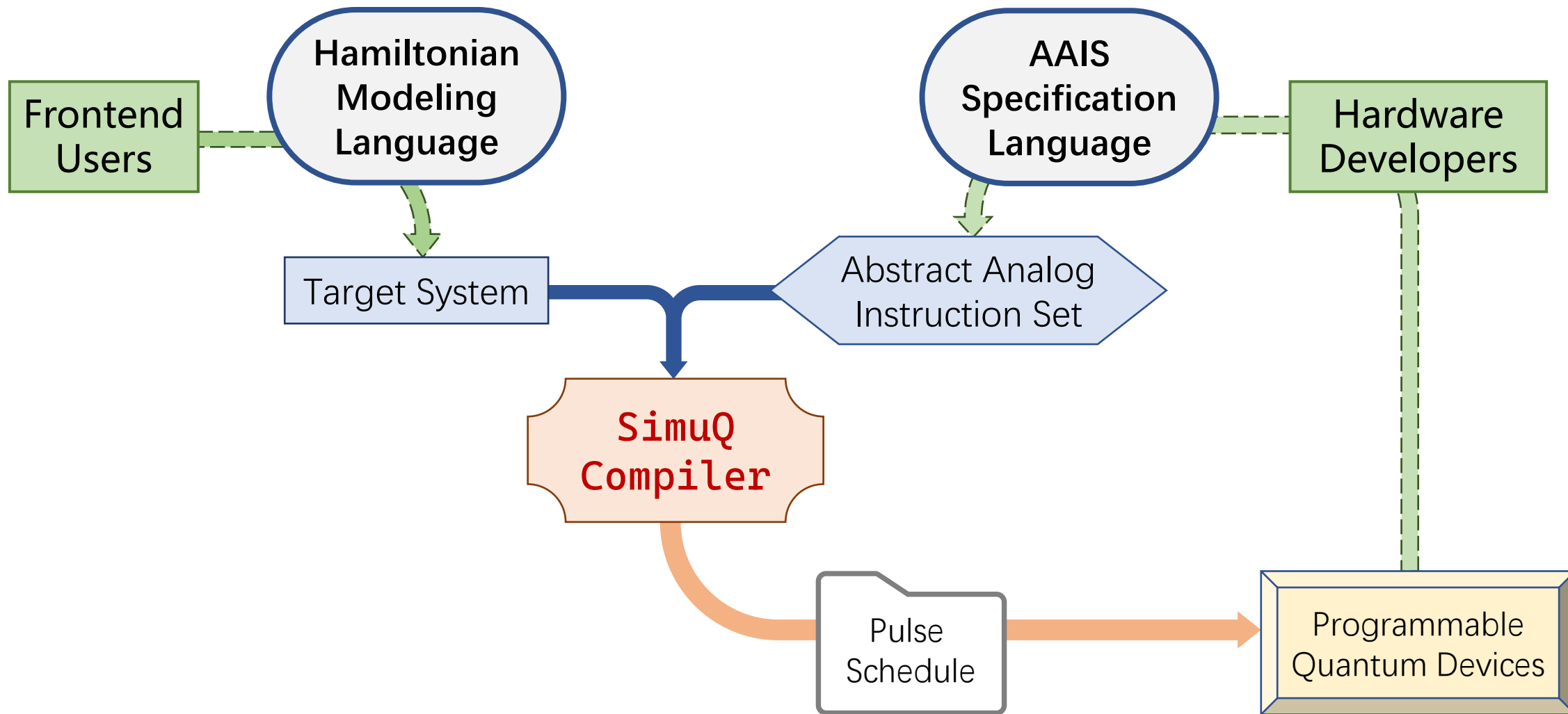
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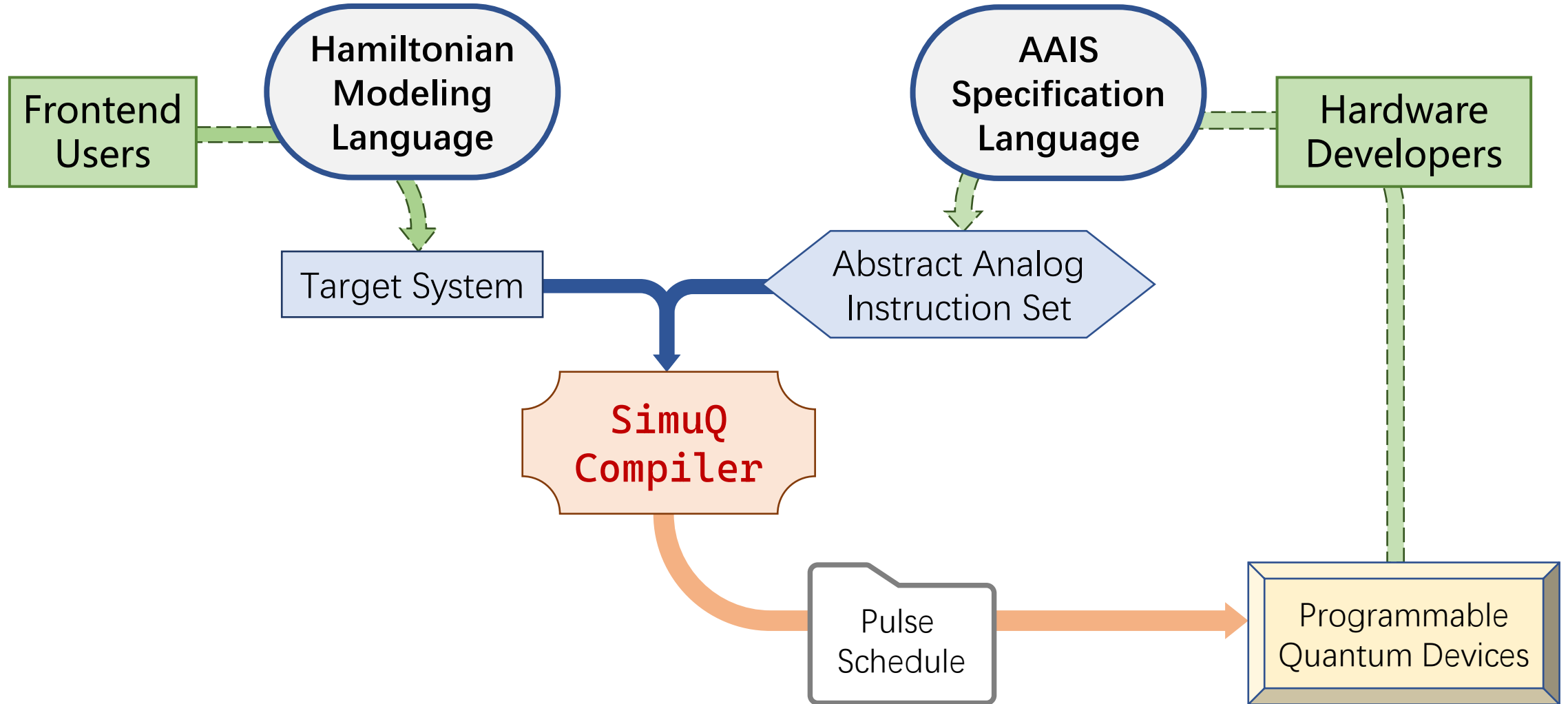
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# Installation Guide

As easy as: `pip install simuq`

## Providers

## Backends

## Cloud Pricing

**QuTiP** [qutip]

Ideal simulators

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**Amazon Braket**  
[braket]

Ideal (& noisy) simulators

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QuEra's Rydberg arrays (Aquila)

\$(0.3+0.01\*s) per job

IonQ's ion traps (Hamorny)

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IonQ's ion traps (Aria-1/2)

\$(0.3+0.03\*s) per job



**IonQ Quantum Cloud**  
[ionq]

IonQ's ion traps (Hamorny, Aria-1/2)

Consult IonQ

Ideal & noisy simulators

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**IBM Q-Experience**  
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IBM's transmons

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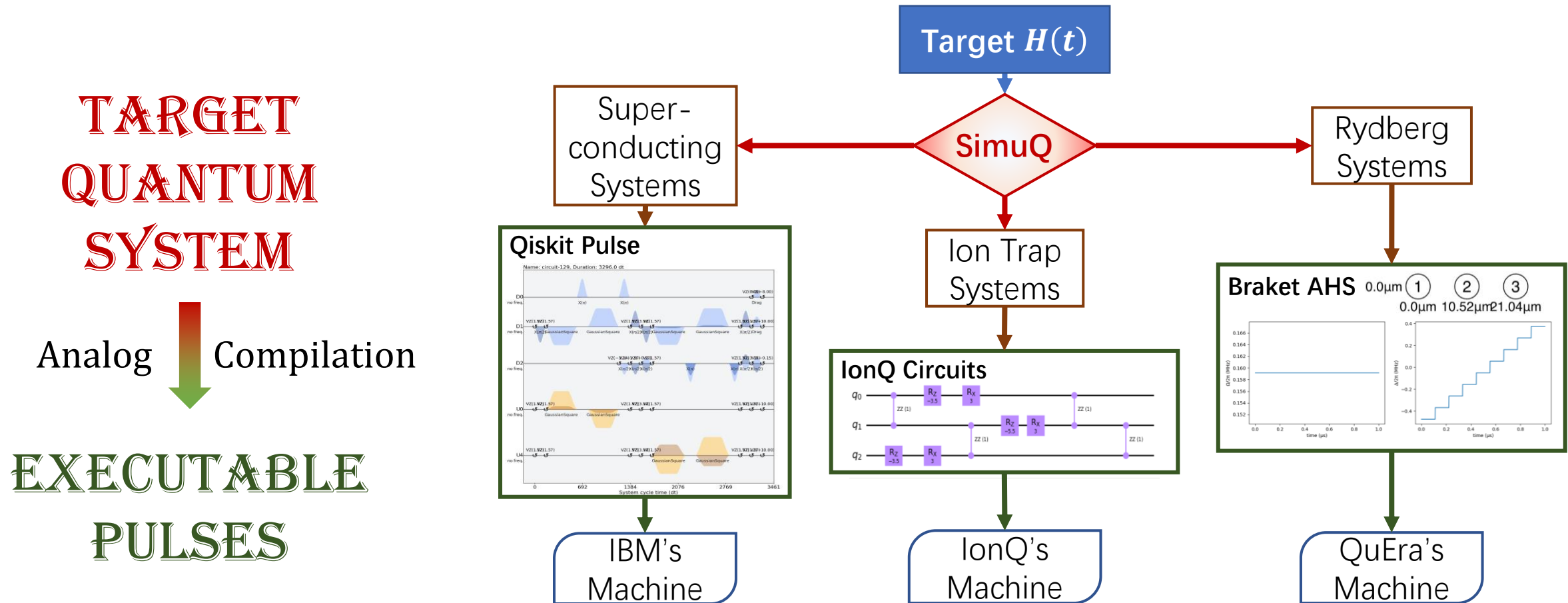
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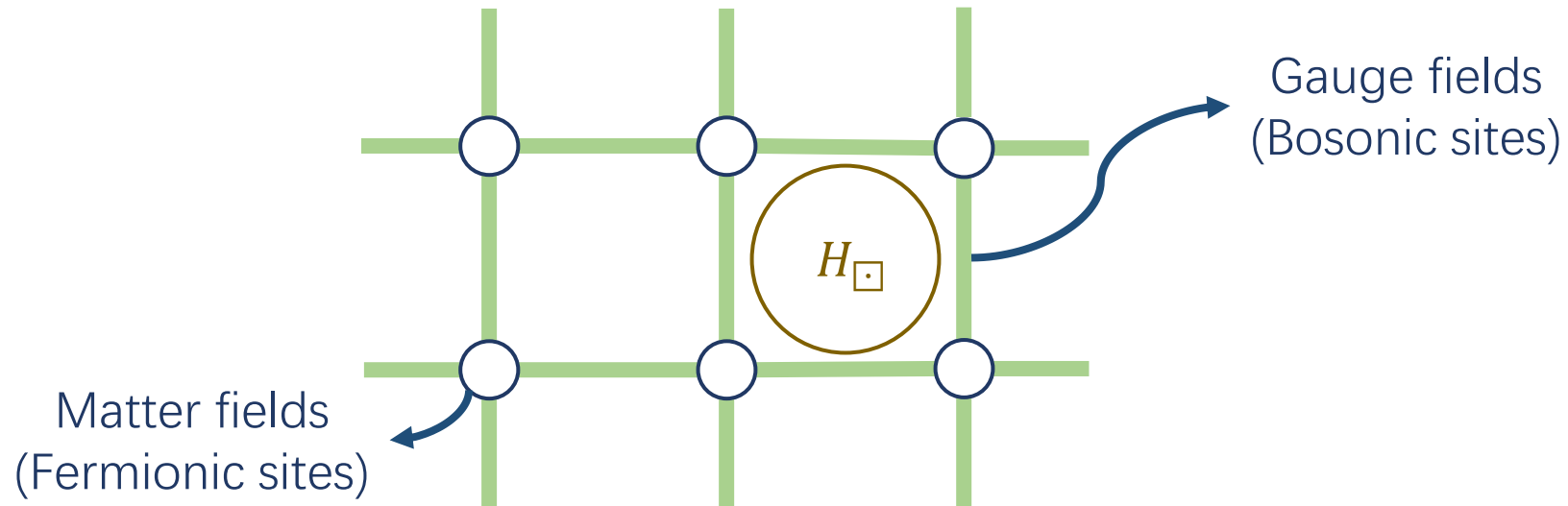
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# Quantum Simulation in High-Energy Physics

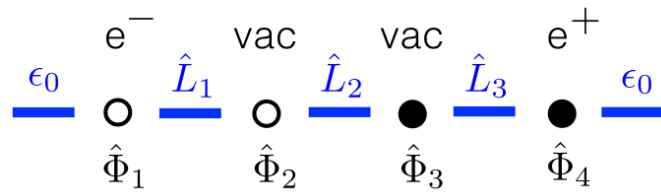
## Lattice gauge theory (LGT)



Simulate LGT with quantum simulation?  
**SimuQ lightens your efforts!**

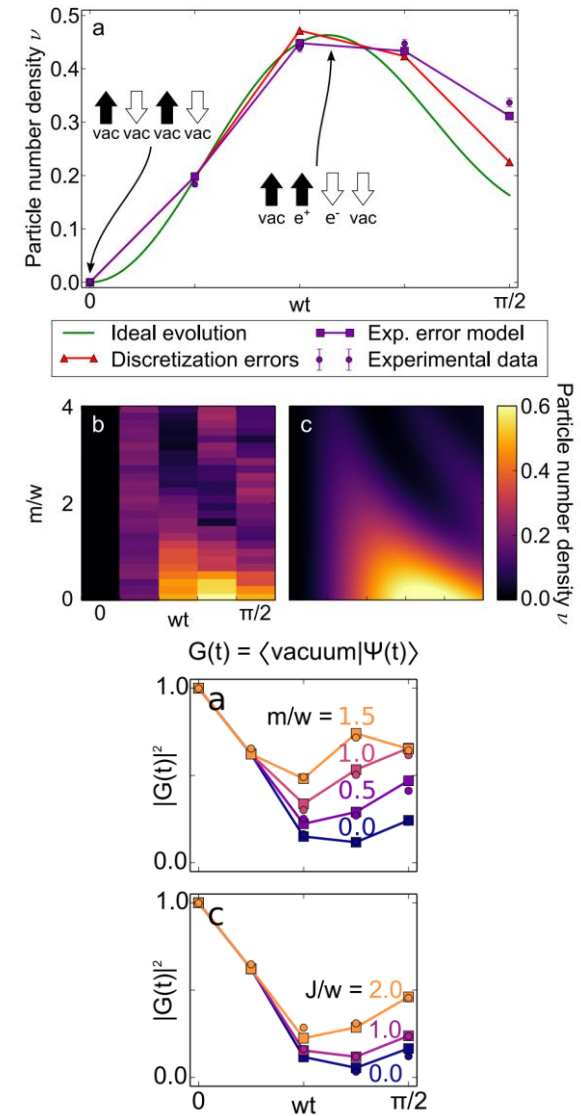
# Reproduce demonstration of HEP simulation

- Dynamics of quantum fluctuation [2]



$$\hat{H}_{\text{lat}} = -iw \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left[ \hat{\Phi}_n^\dagger e^{i\hat{\theta}_n} \hat{\Phi}_{n+1} - h.c. \right] + J \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \hat{L}_n^2 + m \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n \hat{\Phi}_n^\dagger \hat{\Phi}_n.$$

- Encoding of electrons and positrons
  - Odd-even occupation:
  - $|0101\rangle = |\text{vac}, \text{vac}, \text{vac}, \text{vac}\rangle$
  - $|1010\rangle = |e^-, e^+, e^-, e^+\rangle$
- Easy experiment reproduction in SimuQ!



Source of figures: [2]

[2]: Martinez, E., Muschik, C., Schindler, P. et al. Real-time dynamics of lattice gauge theories with a few-qubit quantum computer. Nature 534, 516–519 (2016).

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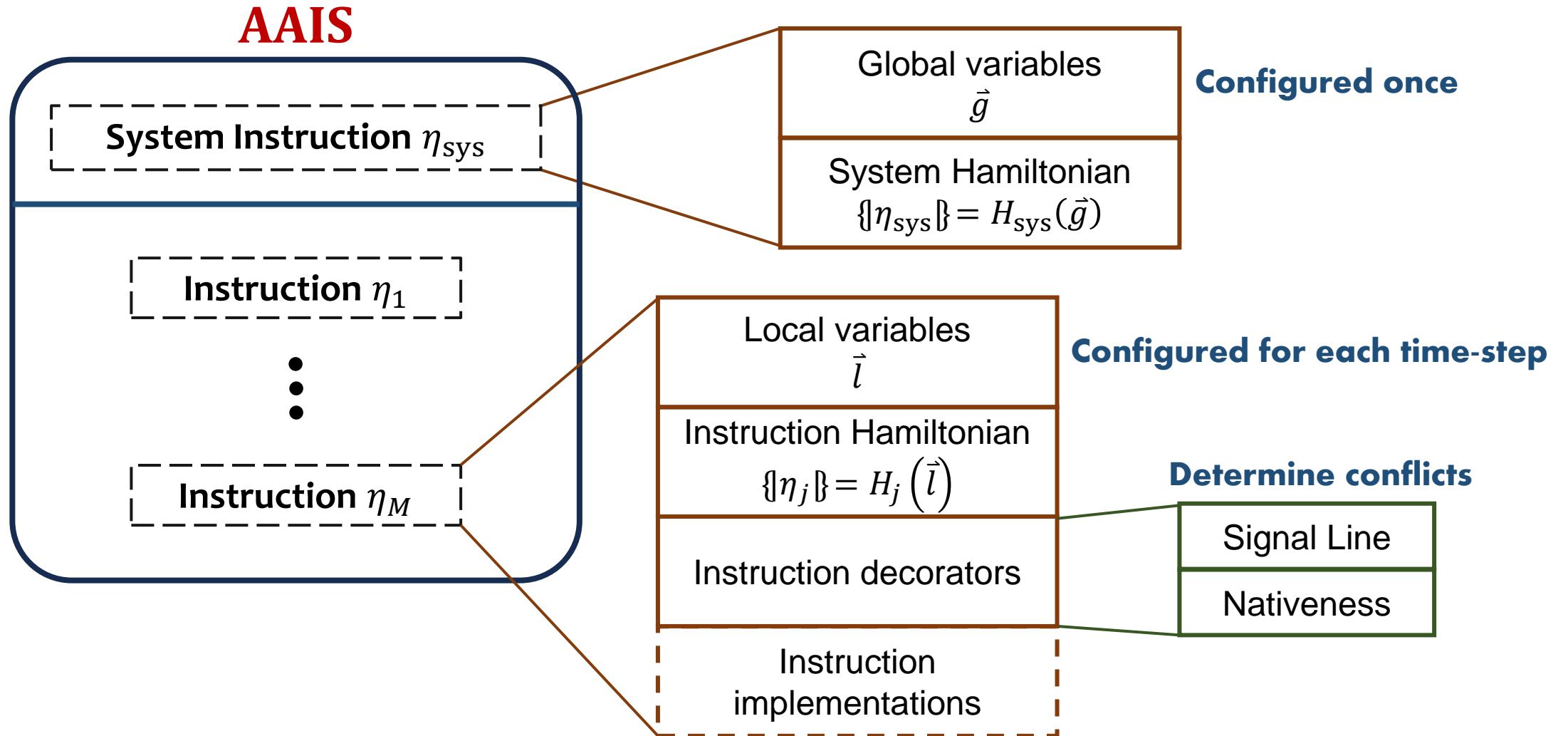
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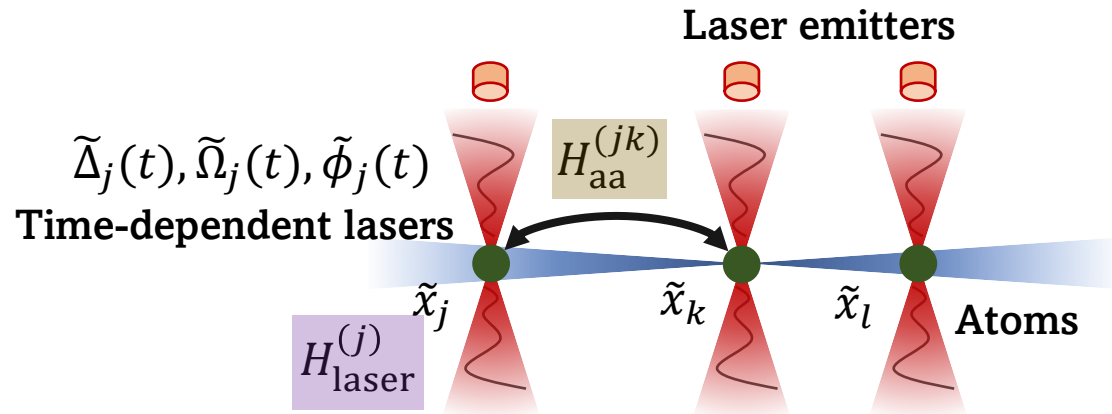
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# AAIS Design Details



# AAIS Specification Language



## AAIS

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## AAIS-SL Program

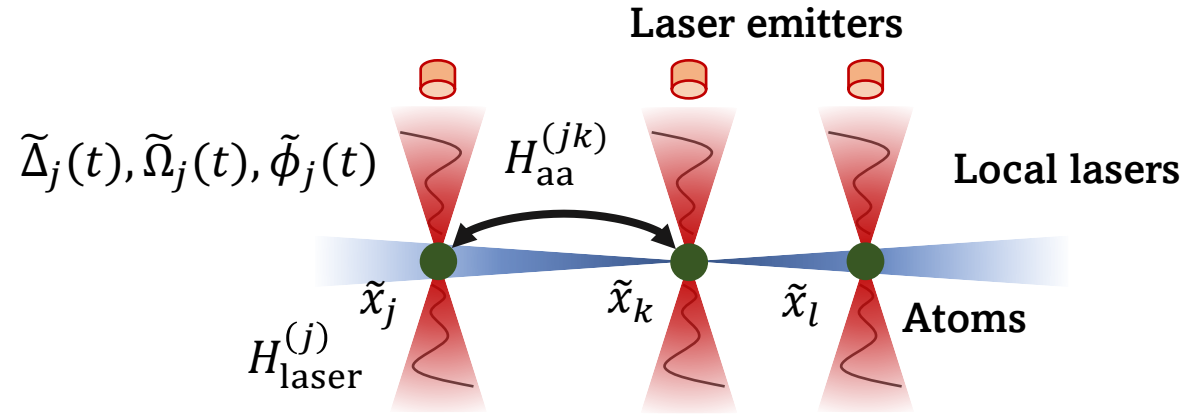
```
rydberg = QMachine()
q = [Qubit(rydberg) for _ in range(n)]
x = [0] + [rydberg.add_global_variable() for _ in range(n - 1)]
noper = [(q[i].I - q[i].Z) / 2 for i in range(n)]
h = 0
for i in range(n):
    for j in range(i):
        h += (C_6 / (x[i] - x[j]) ** 6) * noper[i] * noper[j]
rydberg.set_sys_ham(h)
for i in range(n):
    L = rydberg.add_signal_line()
    ins = L.add_instruction()
    d = ins.add_local_variable()
    o = ins.add_local_variable()
    p = ins.add_local_variable()
    XY = cos(p) * q[i].X - sin(p) * q[i].Y
    ins.set_ham(-d * noper[i] + o / 2 * XY)
```

# QuEra Devices

## Ideal Rydberg machines

Configurable Parameters:

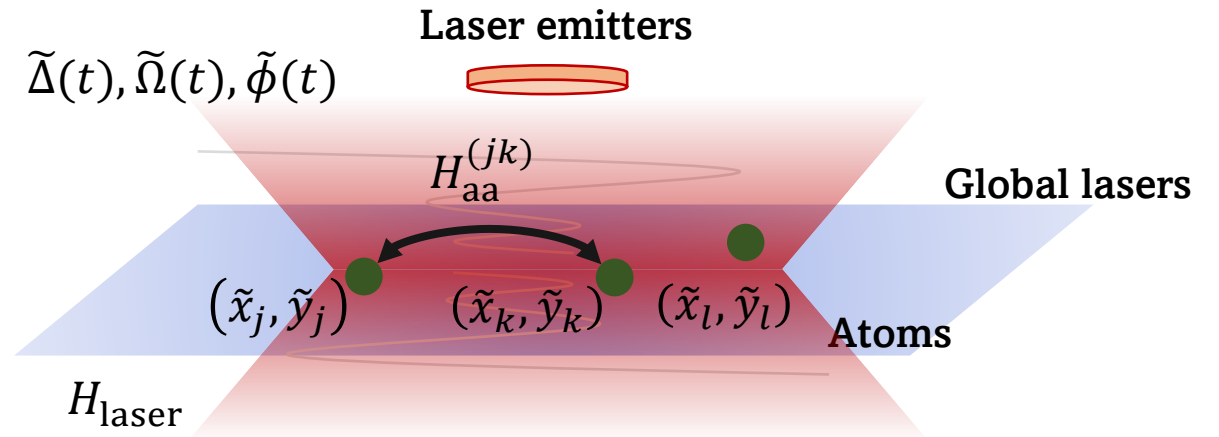
1. **1D** Atom position  $\{\tilde{x}_j\}_{j=1}^N$ .
2. **Local** laser configurations  $\left\{ \left( \tilde{\Delta}_j(t), \tilde{\Omega}_j(t), \tilde{\phi}_j(t) \right) \right\}_{j=1}^N$



## QuEra machines

Configurable Parameters:

1. **2D** atom position  $\{(\tilde{x}_j, \tilde{y}_j)\}_{j=1}^N$
2. **Global** laser configurations  $\tilde{\Delta}(t), \tilde{\Omega}(t), \tilde{\phi}(t)$



# Rydberg AAIS for QuEra

Capable of simulating Ising-type systems

## AAIS

$$\eta_{\text{system}}(\vec{x}) \Rightarrow \sum_{j < k} H_{\text{aa}}^{(jk)}$$

$$\eta_{\text{laser}}(\Delta, \Omega, \phi) \Rightarrow \Delta \sum_j \hat{n}_j + \frac{\Omega}{2} \sum_j H_{\text{phase}}^{(j)}(\phi)$$

- 1D-variant

$$\vec{x} = \{x_j\}_{j=1}^N, H_{\text{aa}}^{(jk)} = \frac{C_6}{|x_j - x_k|^6} \hat{n}_j \hat{n}_k$$

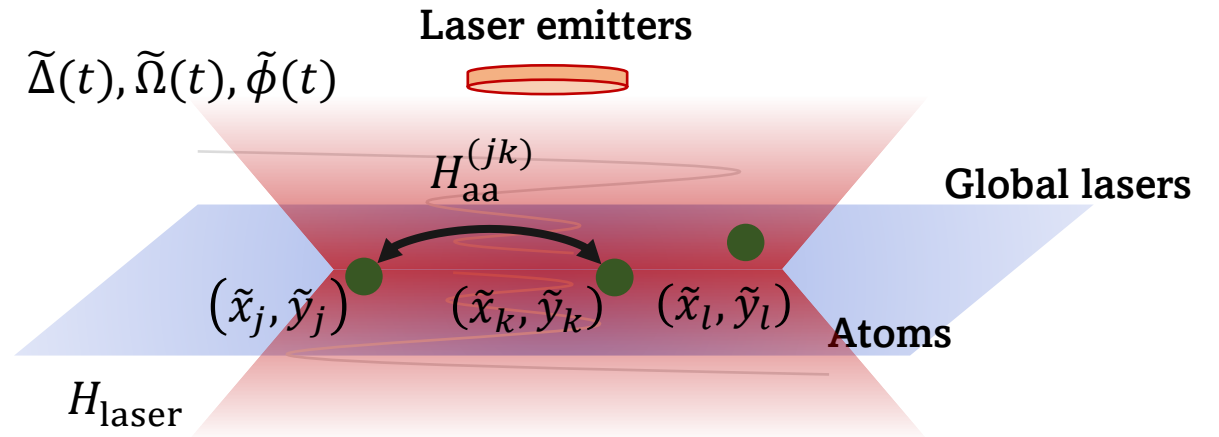
- 2D-variant

$$\vec{x} = \{(x_j, y_j)\}_{j=1}^N, H_{\text{aa}}^{(jk)} = \frac{C_6}{((x_j - x_k)^2 + (y_j - y_k)^2)^3} \hat{n}_j \hat{n}_k$$

## QuEra machines

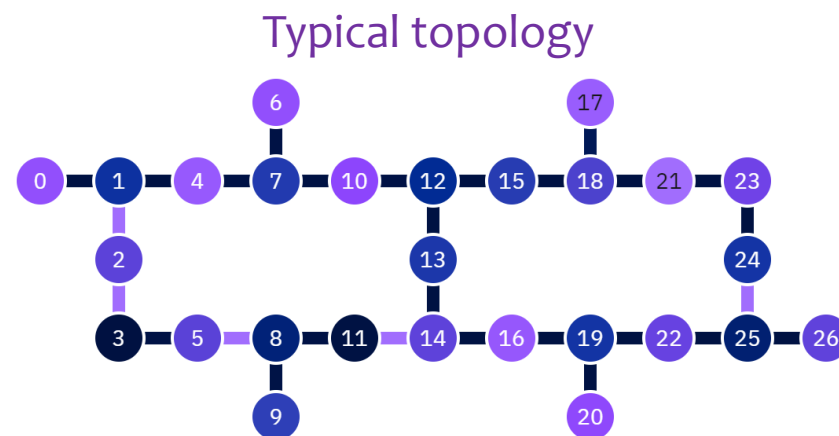
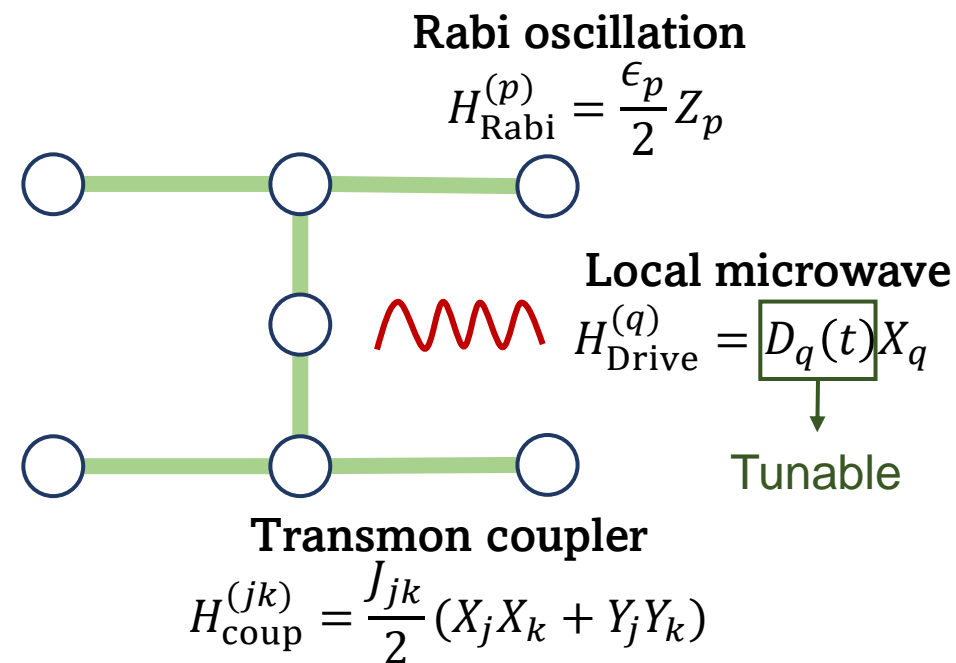
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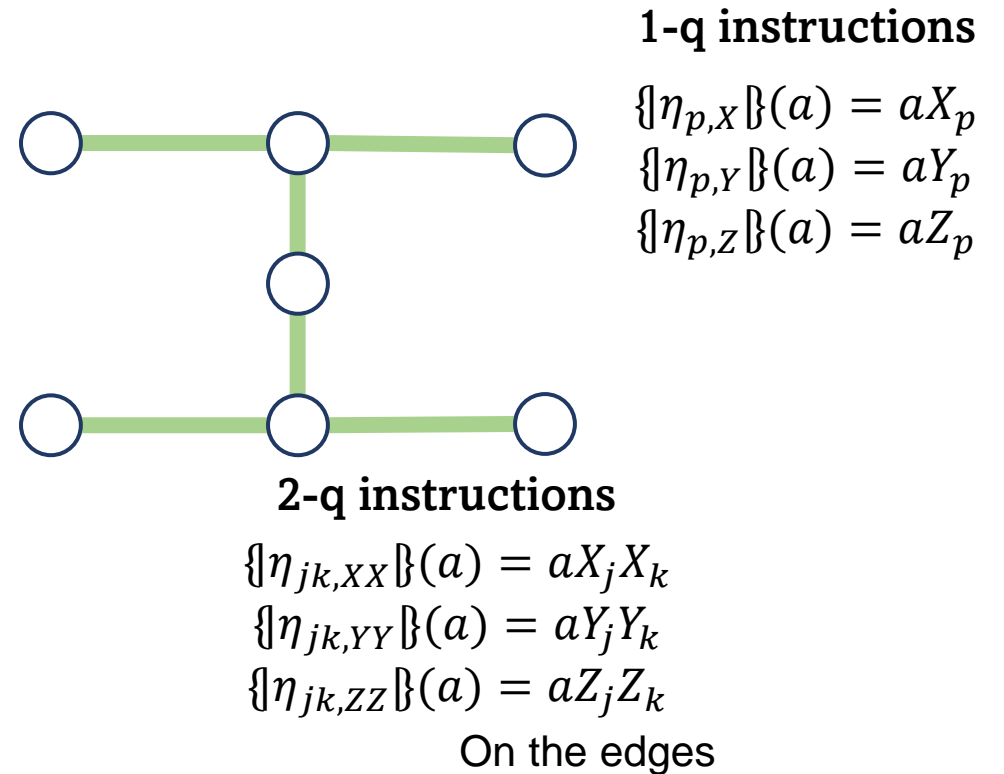
# IBM Devices

- Fixed-frequency transmon systems
- Rotating frame:
  - $H_{\text{coup}}^{(jk)} \Rightarrow \omega_{ZX} Z_j X_k + \omega_{ZZ} Z_j Z_k + \dots$
- **Native Ham. is not so useful!**
  - Few systems can be mapped natively
  - It requires frequent calibration



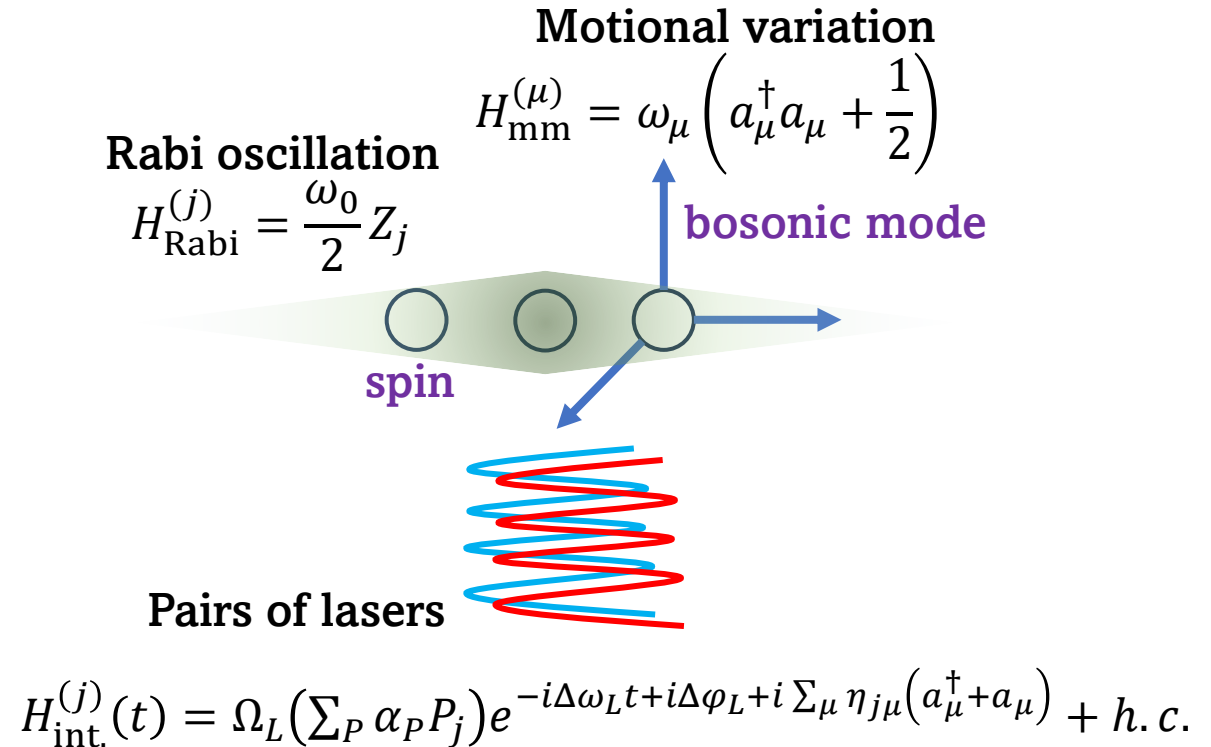
# Heisenberg AAIS

- An AAIS for Heisenberg-type systems.
- Instructions:
  - 1-q:  $\{\eta_{j,P}\}(a) = aP_j$
  - 2-q:  $\{\eta_{jk,PP}\}(a) = aP_jP_k$
  - $P \in \{X, Y, Z\}$
  - Implementation: pulse-efficient gates
    - Pulse length  $\propto$  evolution time
    - Shorter duration compared to CNOT-based implementation.
- Variants: 2-Pauli AAIS



# IonQ Devices

- Trapped ion arrays
- Native Hamiltonian is complicated
- Employ Heisenberg AAIS
  - Full connectivity
  - Implementation:
    - Arbitrary angle Mølmer-Sørensen gates
    - Pulse length  $\propto$  evolution time



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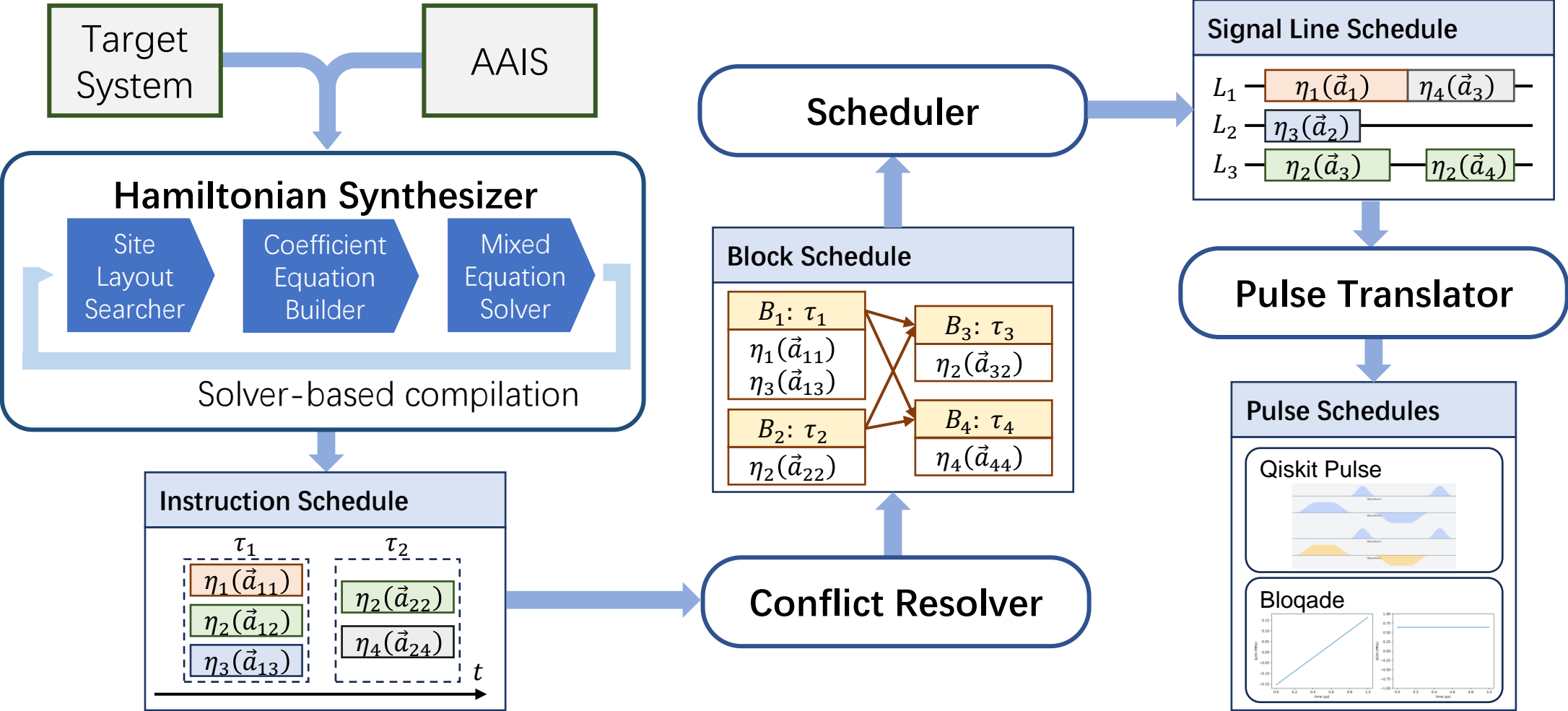
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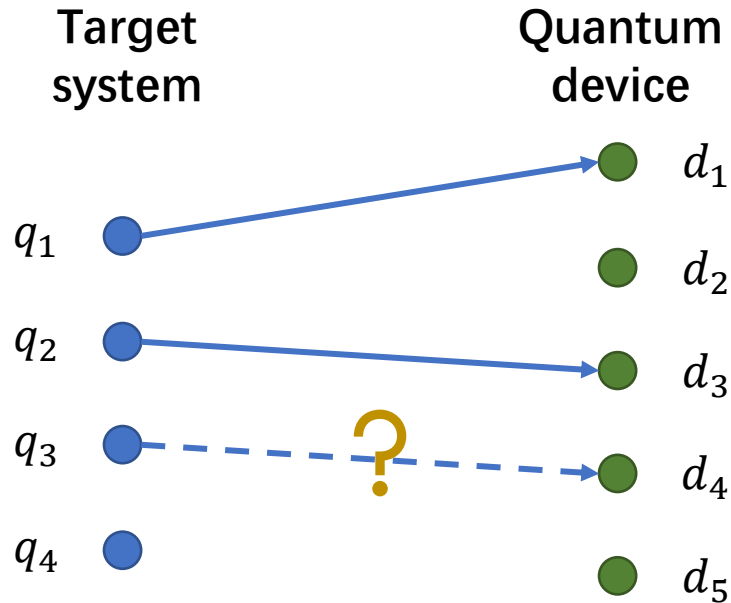
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# SimuQ Compiler



# Hamiltonian Synthesizer



**Difference to circuit model:**  
No SWAP gates for many devices

Site  
Layout  
Searcher

Coefficient  
Equation  
Builder

Mixed  
Equation  
Solver

**Brute-force search  
with heuristics**

Rydberg, ion trap: Easy  
(perfect symmetry)  
Superconducting: Hard  
(specific topology)

**May be overloaded by  
manual assignments**

# Hamiltonian Synthesizer

Synthesize  $H_{\text{tar}} = Z_1 X_2$  from

$$\eta_1(\alpha): \alpha Z_1 X_2 + Z_1$$

$$\eta_2(\beta): \beta Z_1$$

$$\begin{cases} Z_1 X_2: & \alpha + 0 = 1 \\ Z_1: & 1 + \beta = 0 \end{cases}$$

Build equation for each product-Hamiltonian  $P$

$$\tau \cdot \sum_{j=1}^m \{\eta_j\}[P](\mathbf{v}) \cdot s_j = t \cdot \mathcal{M}(H_{\text{tar}})[P]$$

Coefficient of  $P$   
in instruction  $\iota_j$

Valuation  
of variables

Indicator  
in  $\{0,1\}$

Coefficient of  $P$  in  
 $H_{\text{tar}}$  in layout  $\mathcal{M}$

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(SMT) Solver

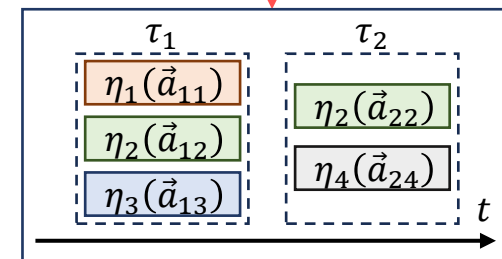
{ Lst-sqr-based  
dReal4

Activated Instructions

$$\eta_1(1): Z_1 X_2 + Z_1$$

$$\eta_2(-1): -Z_1$$

$$\eta_1(1) + \eta_2(-1) = H_{\text{tar}}$$



# Conflict Resolver

## Resolve conflicts by Trotterization

### Activated Instructions

$$\eta_1(1): Z_1 X_2 + Z_1$$

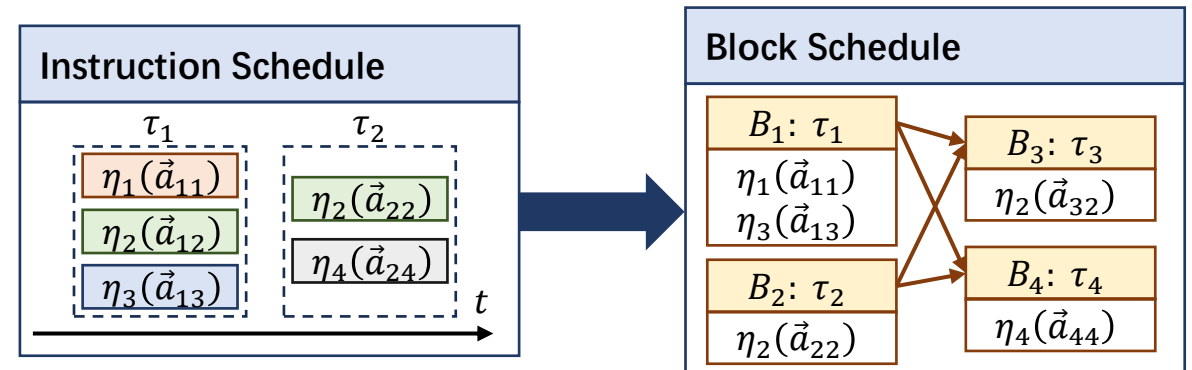
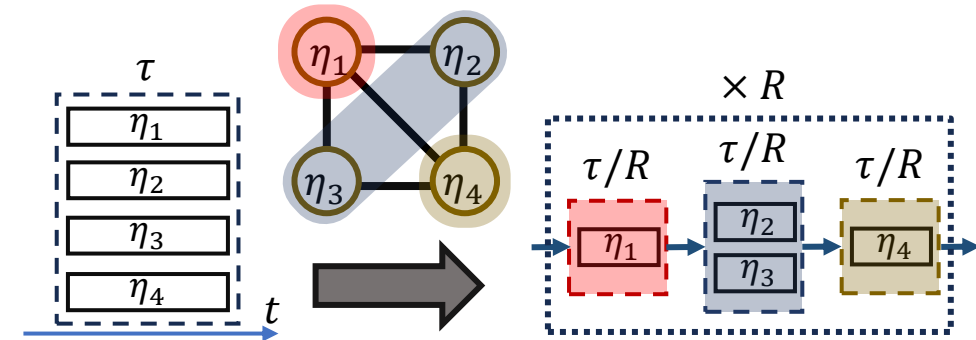
$$\eta_2(-1): -Z_1$$

$$\eta_1(1) + \eta_2(-1) = H_{\text{tar}}$$

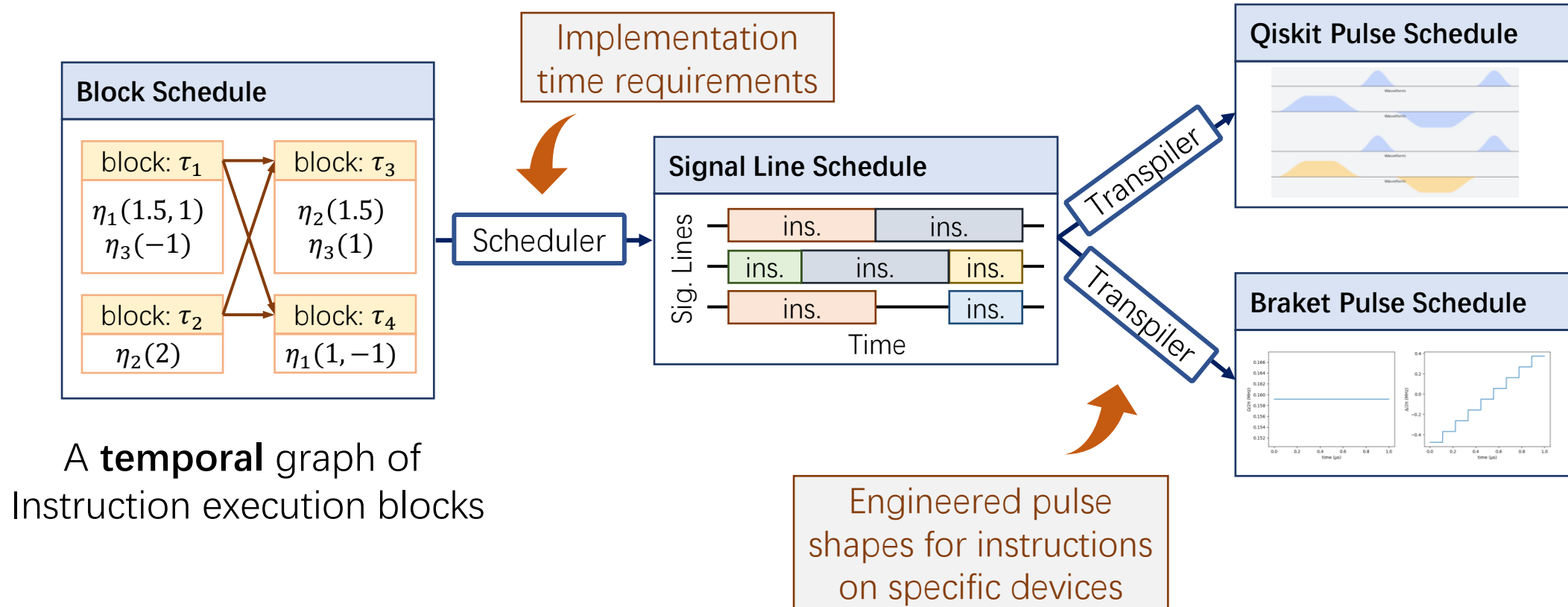
### Conflicting Instructions:

$\eta_1(\alpha)$  and  $\eta_2(\beta)$   
cannot be executed  
simultaneously on IBM

### Conflict relation graph



# Scheduler and Transpiler



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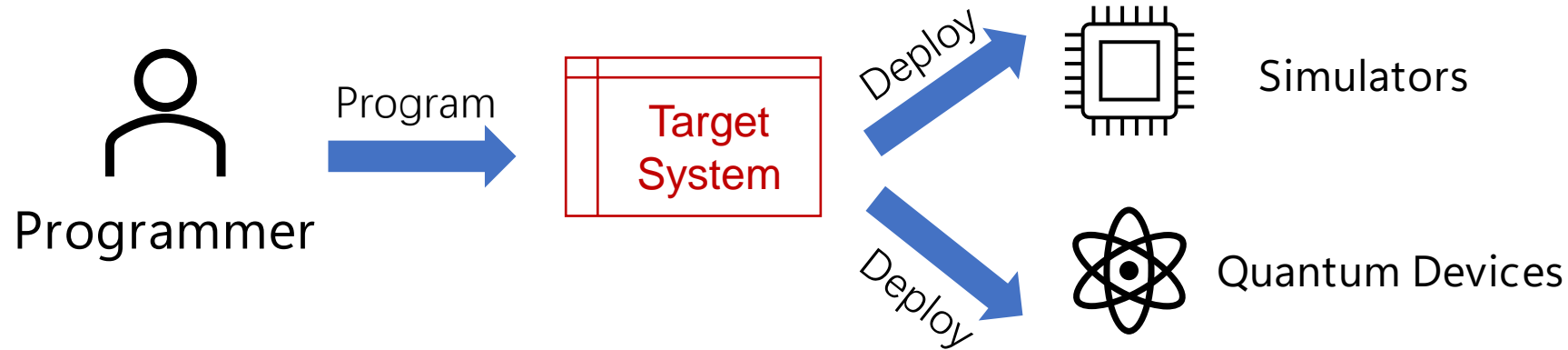
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**As a user:**  
**What to explore now**

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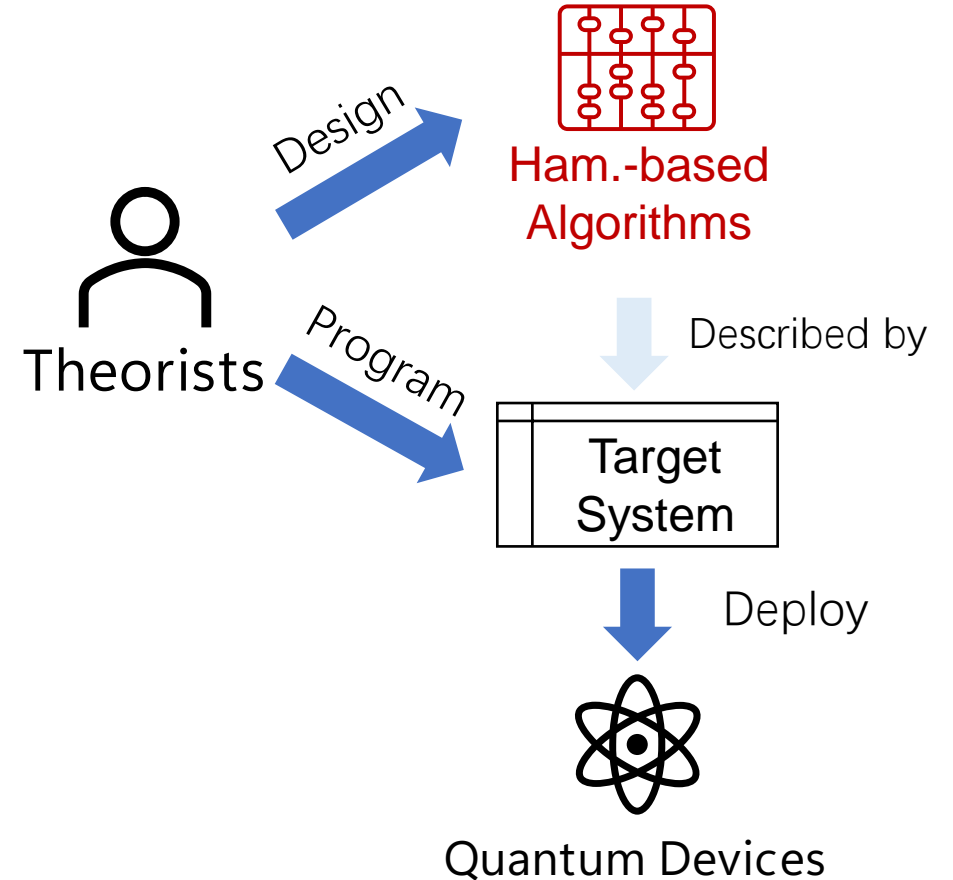
- Quantum mechanics researchers
  - Simulate interesting systems
- Quantum hardware investigators
  - Evaluate devices in applications
  - Cross-platform performance evaluation
- A quantum simulation benchmark

System name	LoC	# of sites	Compilation time (s)			IBM Duration (ms)		IonQ #2q-gate
			QuEra	IBM	IonQ	SimuQ	Qiskit	
ising_chain	13	6	0.177	0.224	0.155	2.06	8.69	20
		32	39.3	54.6	47.2	3.24	39.2	124
		64	663	257	N.S.	3.15	81.2	
		96	2298	1086	N.S.	3.26	450	
ising_cycle	13	6	0.585	N.S.	0.13			24
		12	3.47	1.49	1.37	2.05	37.8	48
		32	114	483	53.8	3.35	144	128
		64	3454	T.O.	N.S.			
heis_chain	15	32	N.S.	143	138	10.1	119	372
qaoa_cycle	19	12	N.S.	0.503	1.50	0.83	37.6	36
qhd	16	16	N.S.	N.S.	66.3			480
mis_chain	22	12	5.45	19.1	25.2	18.9	94.0	440
		24	53.1	328	278	18.9	162	920
mis_grid	29	16	28.4	N.S.	85.4			960
		25	141	N.S.	489			1600
kitaev	13	18	4.67	15.6	8.74	2.12	21.2	68
schwinger	18	10	N.S.	N.S.	1.09			28
o3nlom	19	30	N.S.	N.S.	77.7			588



# Algorithm Designer Perspective

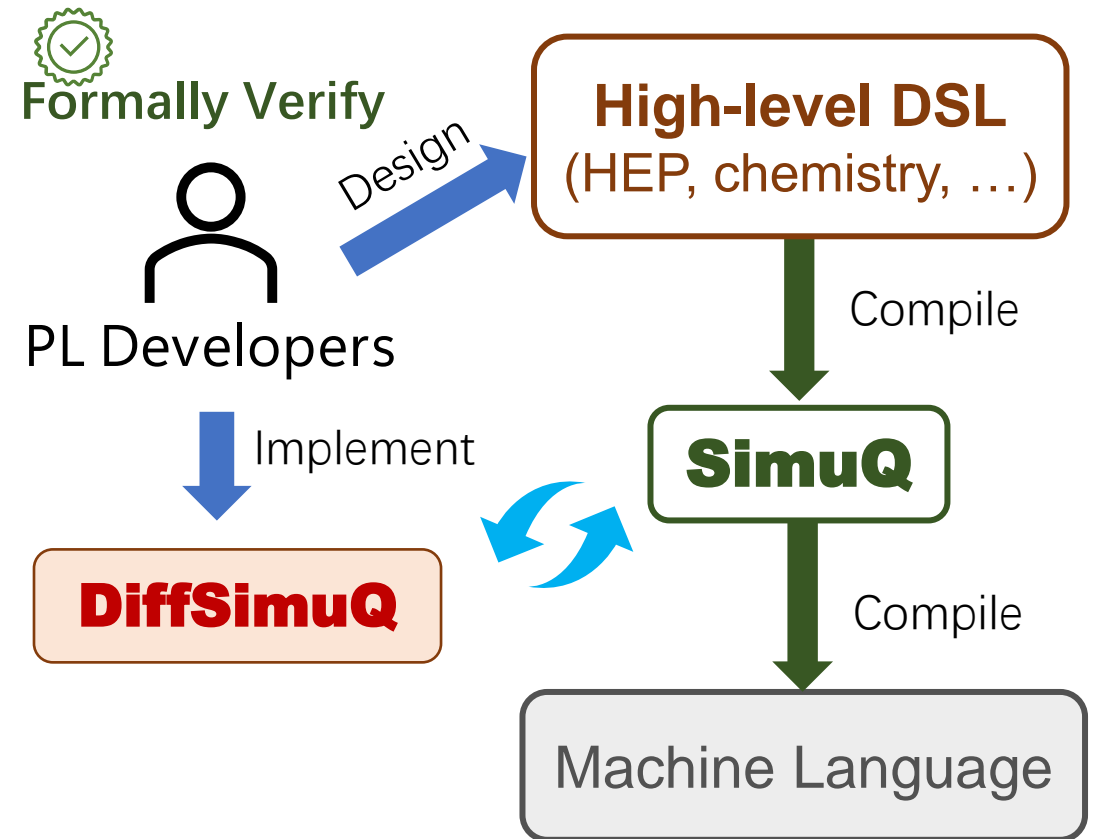
- Domain experts
  1. Investigate domain problems
    - I.e., non-convex optimization [3].
  2. Design Hamiltonian-based algorithms
  3. Deploy on devices for testing
- Potential new directions
  - Hybrid digital-analog algorithms
  - Error reduction algorithms
  - Characterization of analog simulators



**As a developer:**  
**What to investigate in the future**

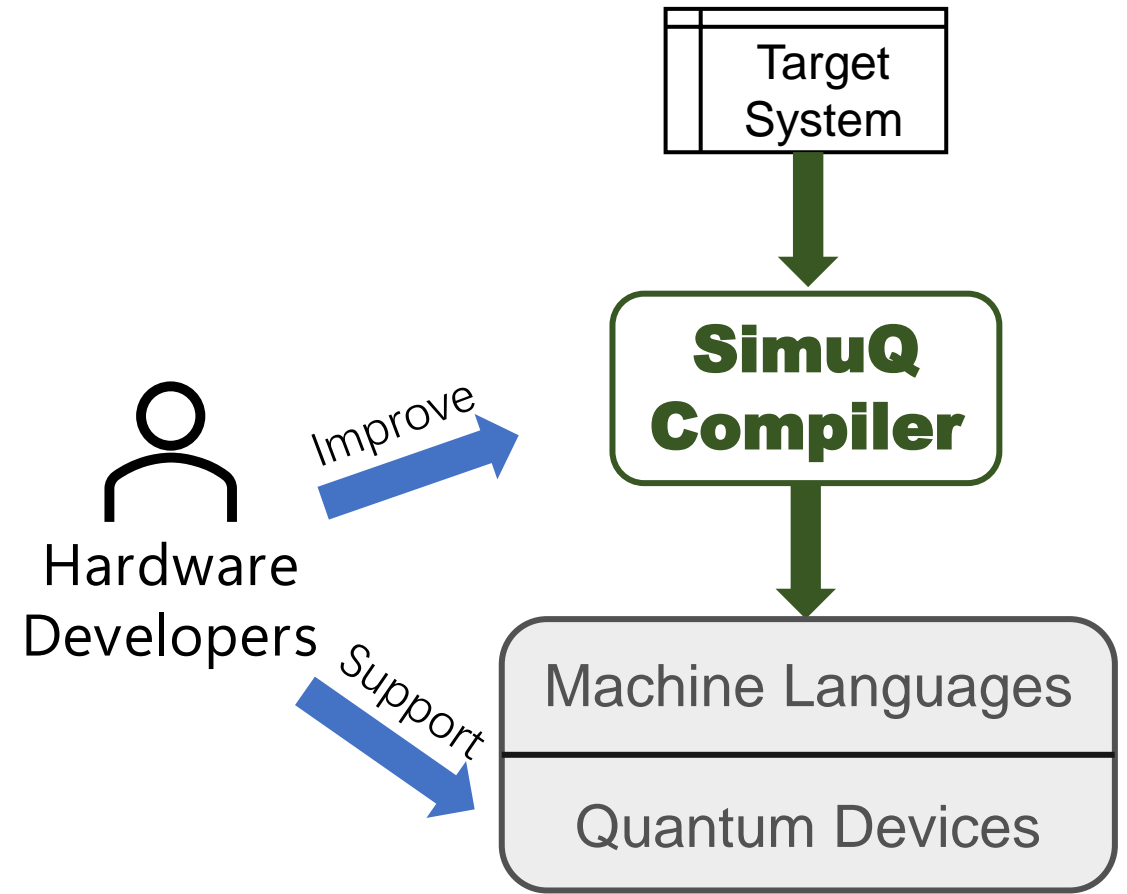
# PL Developer Perspective

- Domain PL experts
  - Design higher-level DSL
  - Interfaces for common domain users
  - Compilation to SimuQ
- Pulse/VQE PL developers
  - A meta language with variables
  - Auto-differentiation [3]
- Formally verify the suite of SimuQ



# Hardware Developer Perspective

- Quantum architecture researchers
  - Hamiltonian-based layout synthesis
  - Pulse-aware compilations
  - Better Trotterization strategies
- Quantum technology developers
  - Integrate error mitigation techniques
  - Robustness analysis of AHS
- Hardware providers
  - Design and implement AAIS for existing devices
  - Develop novel devices realizing powerful AAIS



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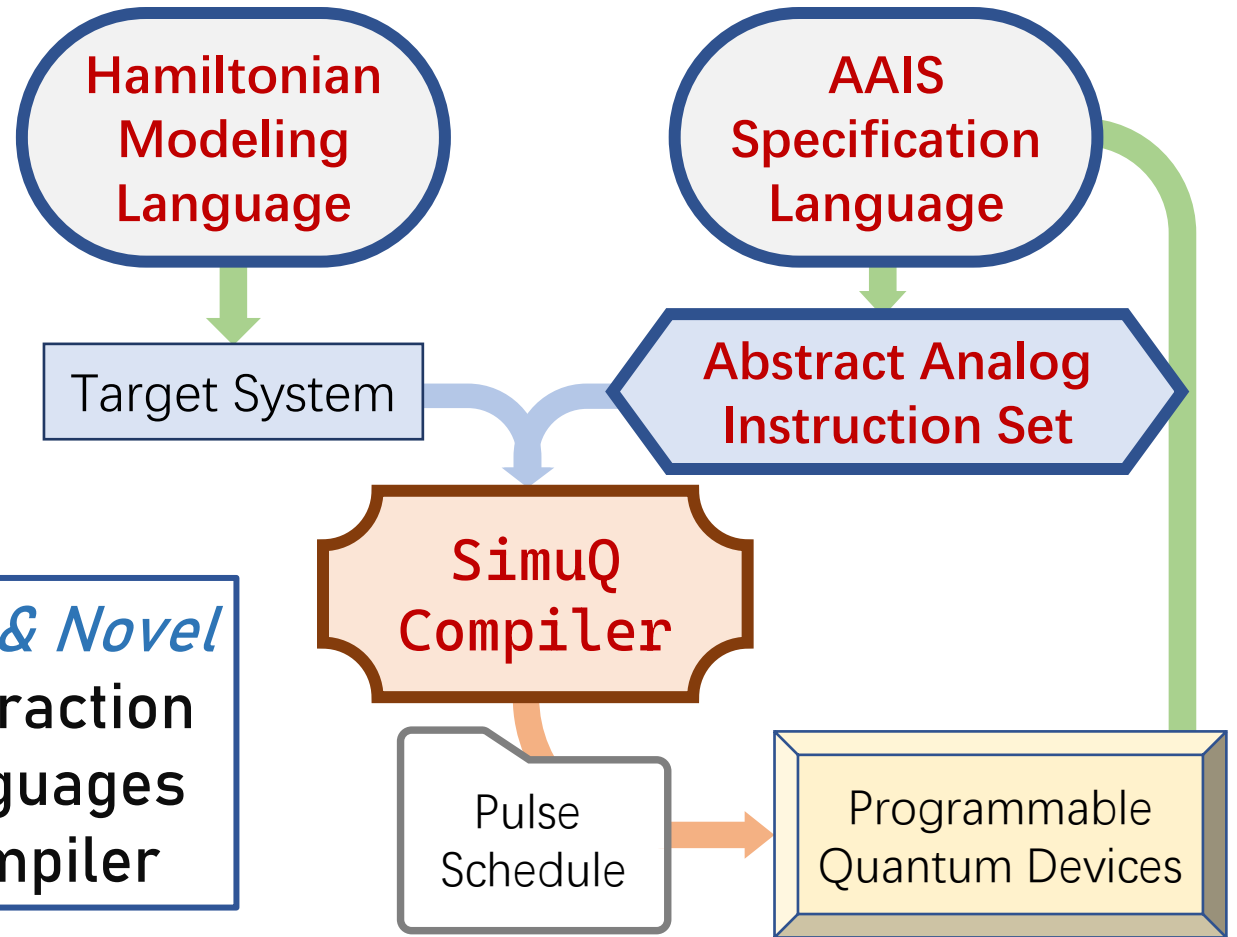
# Recap of SimuQ

*End-to-end* Framework

**TARGET  
QUANTUM  
SYSTEM**

Analog  Compilation

**EXECUTABLE  
PULSES**



GitHub repo:

<https://github.com/PicksPeng/SimuQ>

Enhance your capability of harnessing  
the power of quantum devices

[arXiv: 2303.02775](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.02775)



Project website:

<https://pickspeng.github.io/SimuQ/>

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