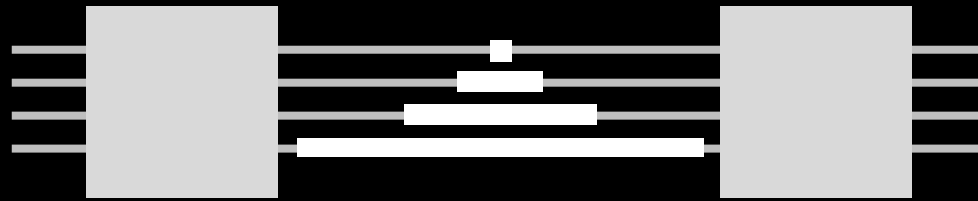


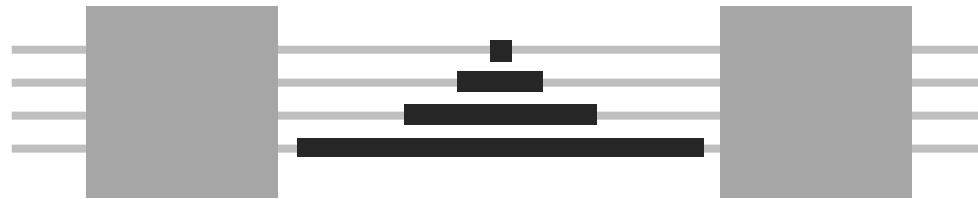
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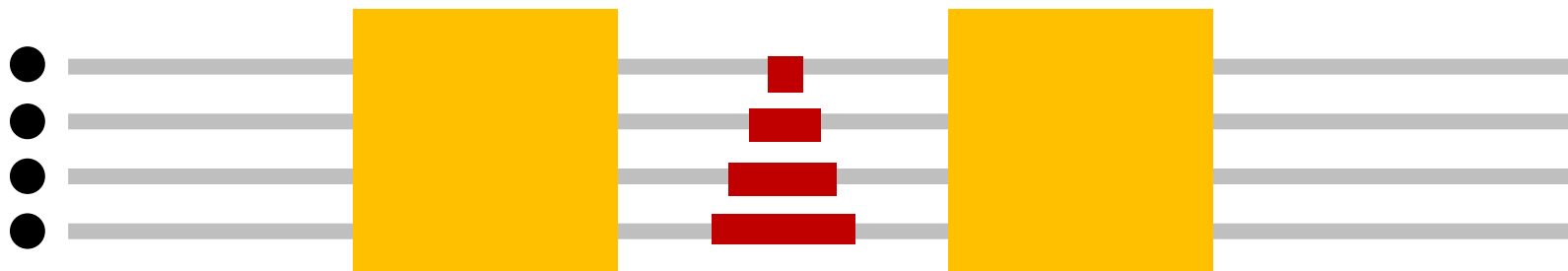
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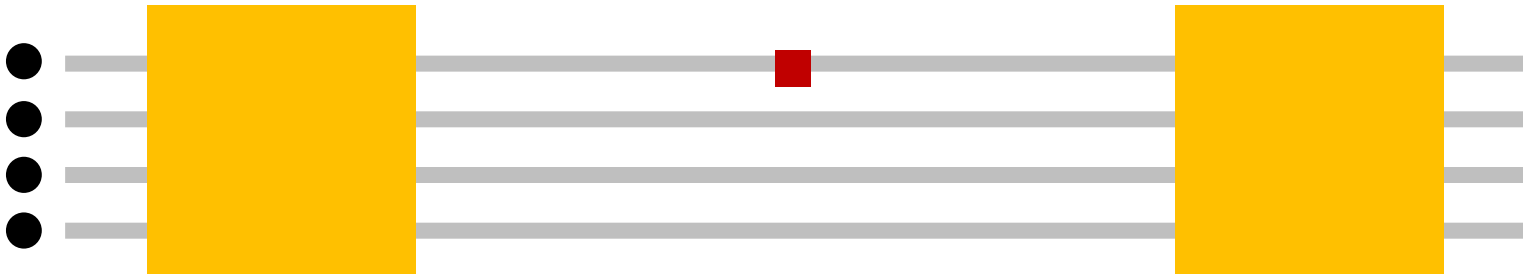


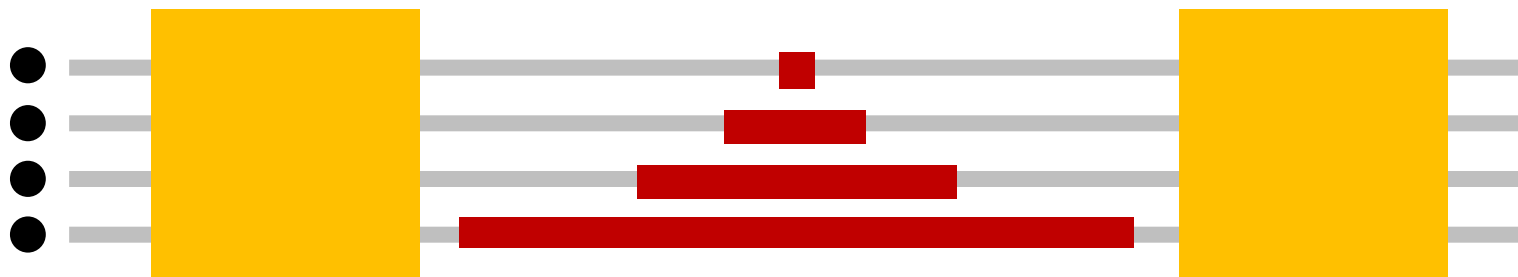
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No good.





Pretty good.

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2 a phase gradient

between two Fourier's [Motes et al.]



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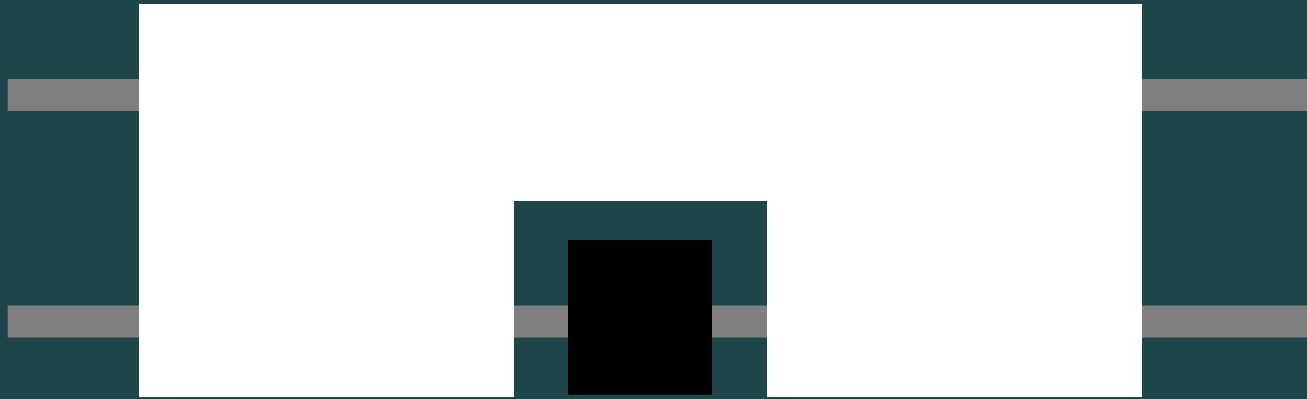
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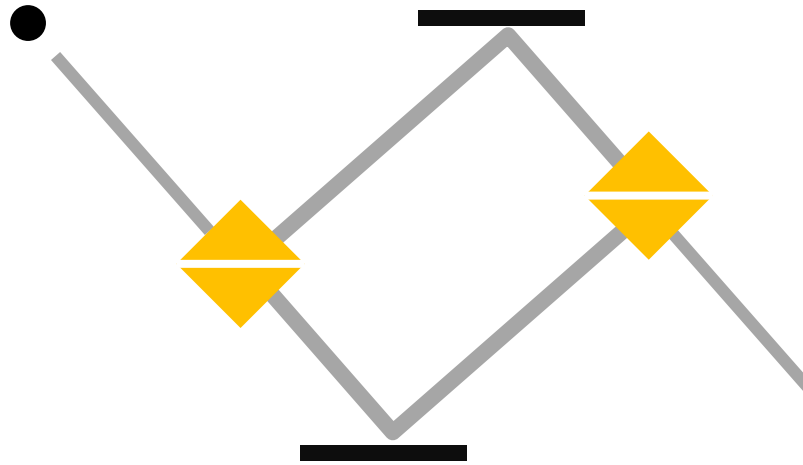




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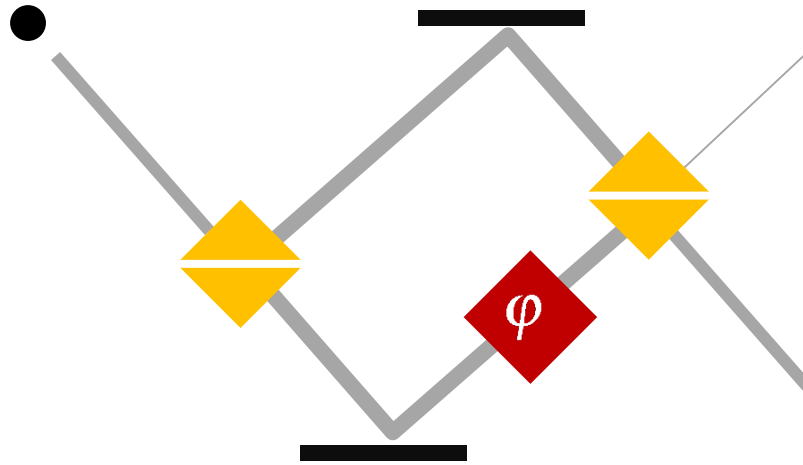
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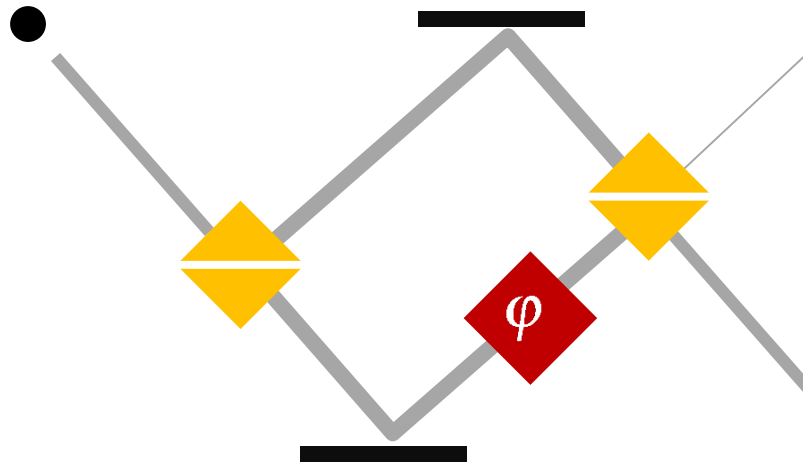
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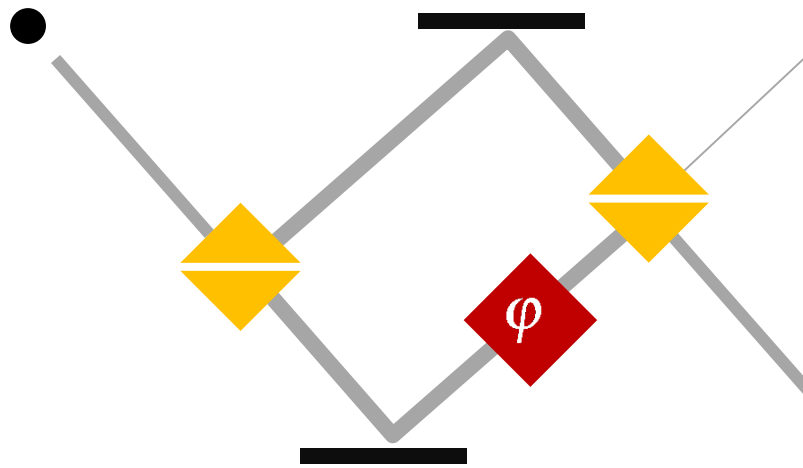


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- shot noise phase sensitivity for repeated experiments

1 Detecting a phase: path entangled photons

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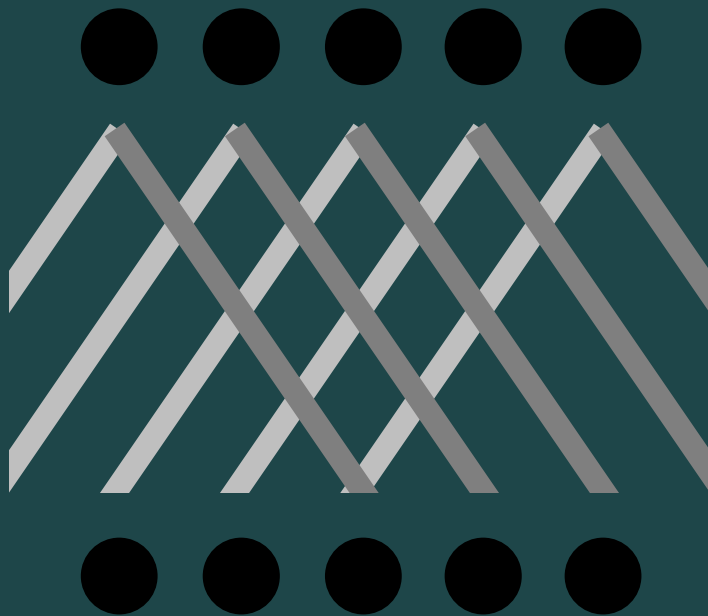


$$\Delta\varphi \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

- NOON states $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|N, 0\rangle + |0, N\rangle)$

Heisenberg sensitivity
hard to make (postselect)
sensitive to dephasing

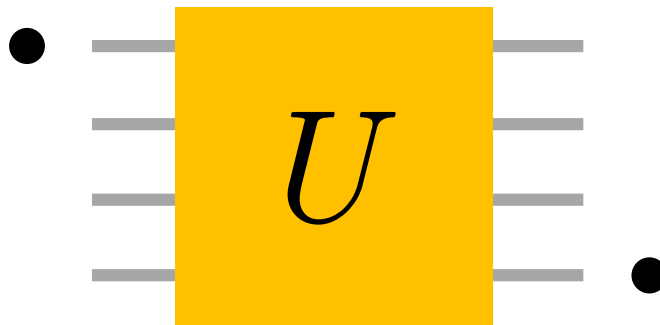
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boson sampling metrology

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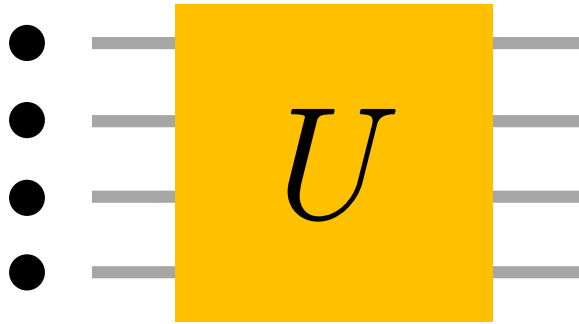


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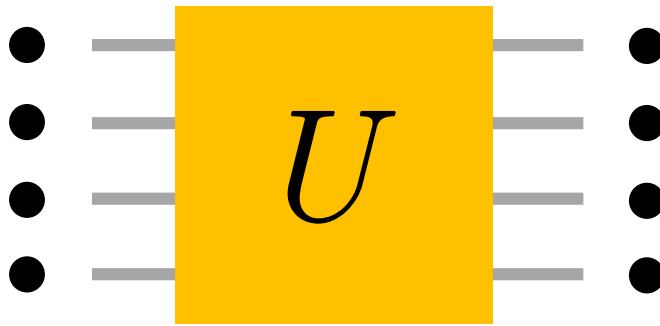
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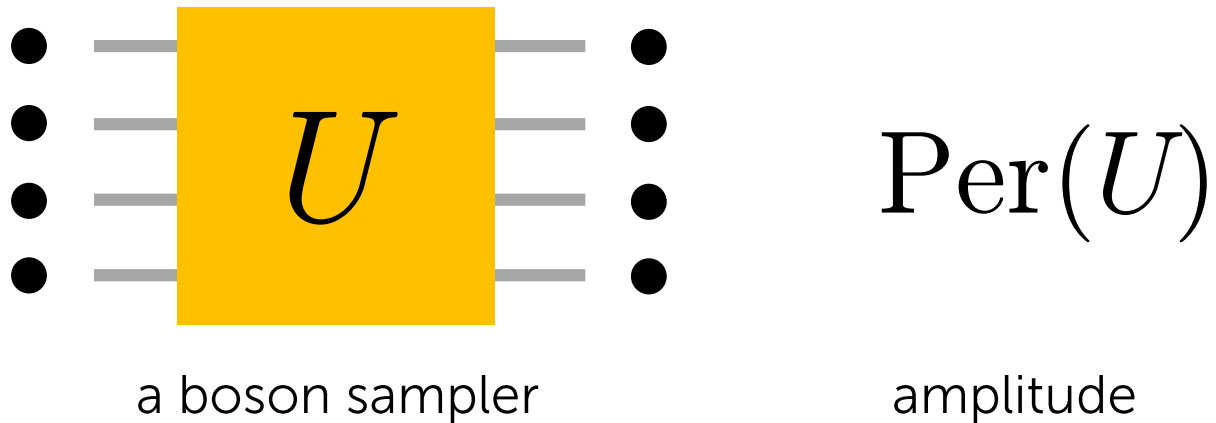
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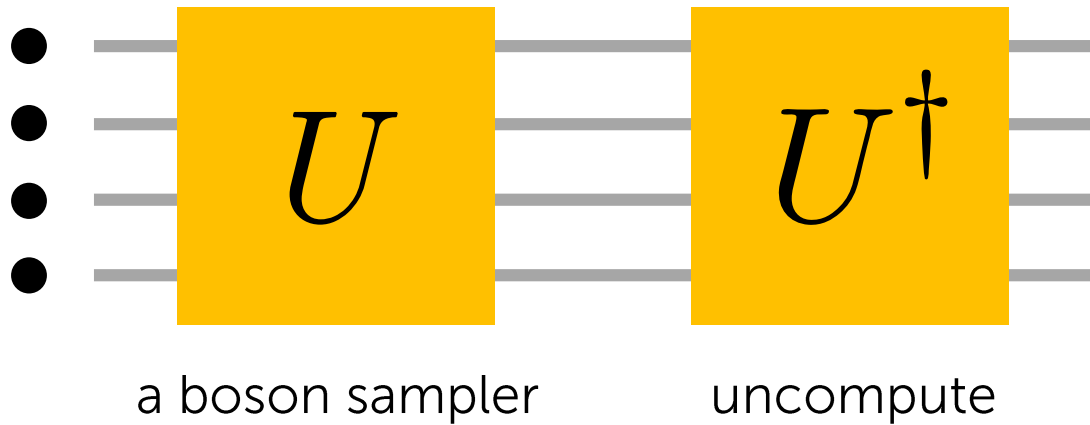
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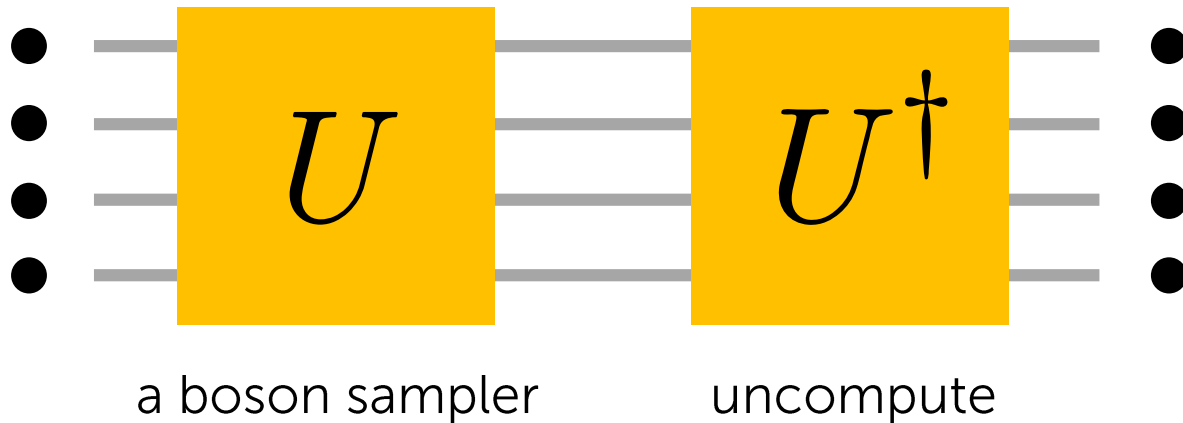
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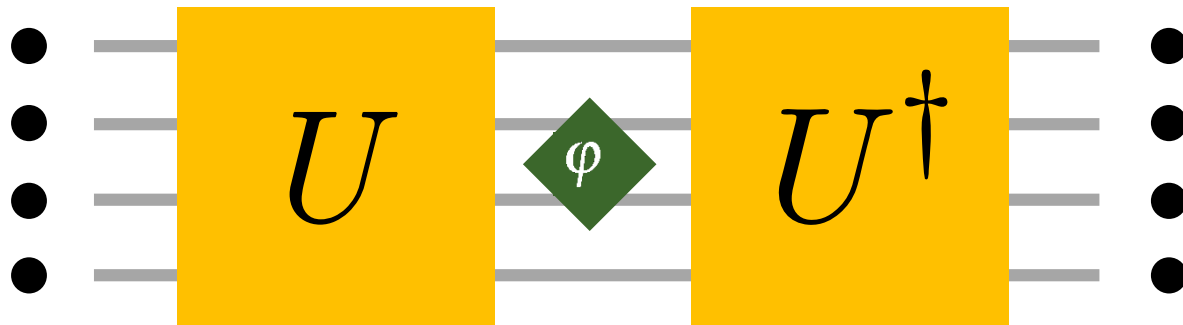
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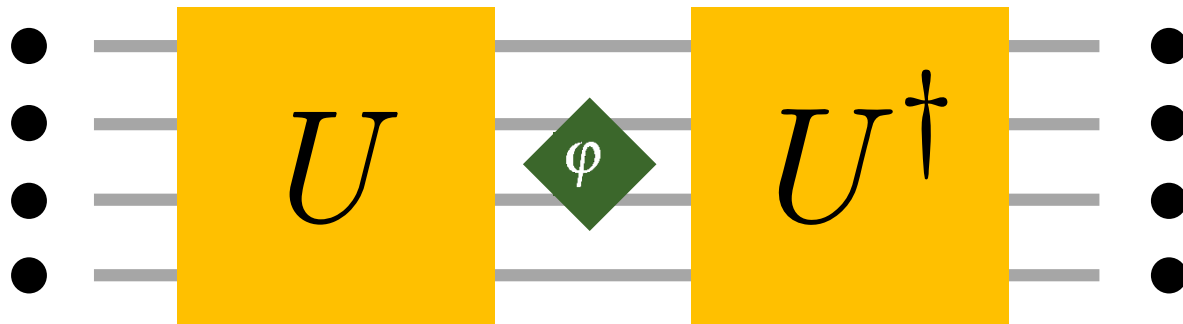
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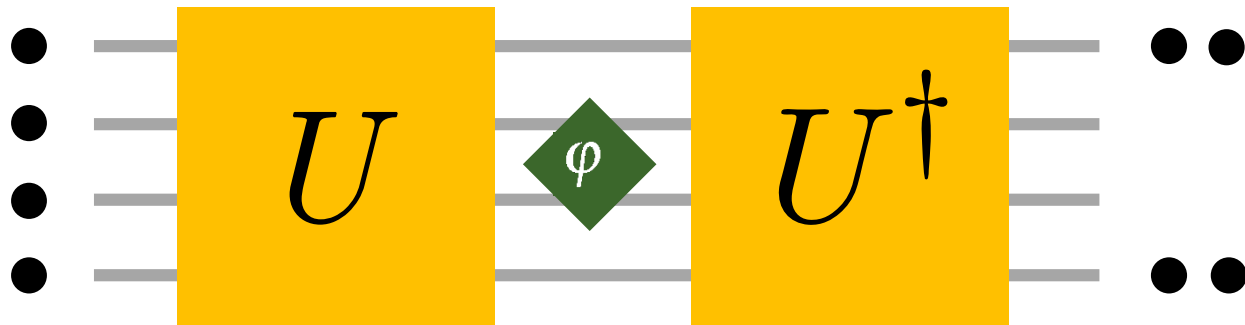
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- still just one

significant amplitude $|\text{Per}(U^\dagger V_\varphi U)|^2 \approx |\text{Per}(\mathbb{I})|^2 = 1$

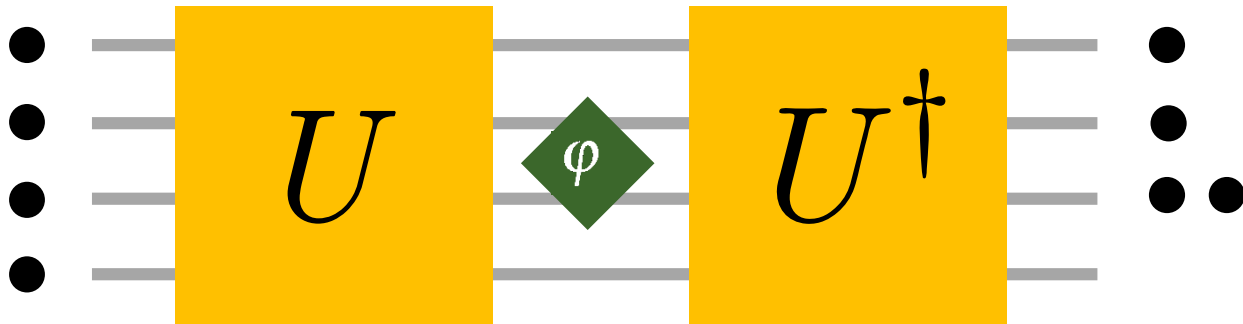
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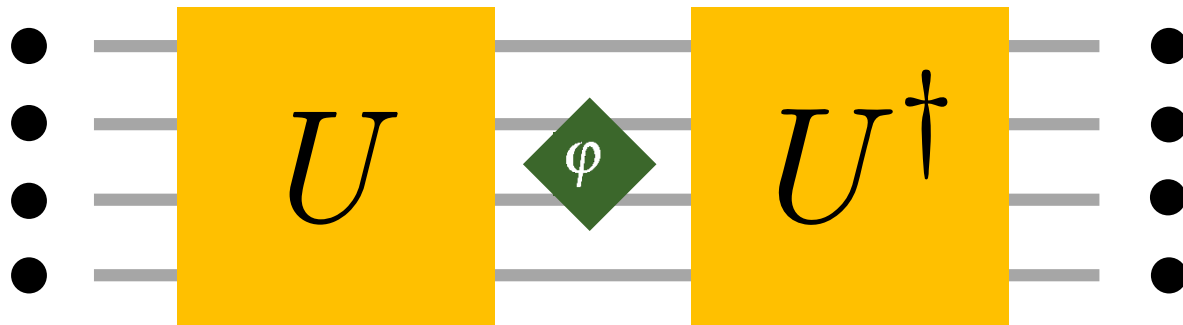
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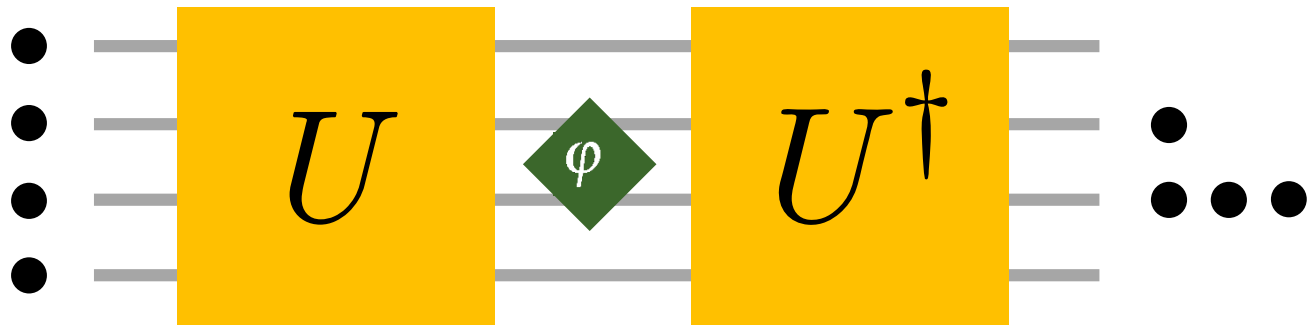
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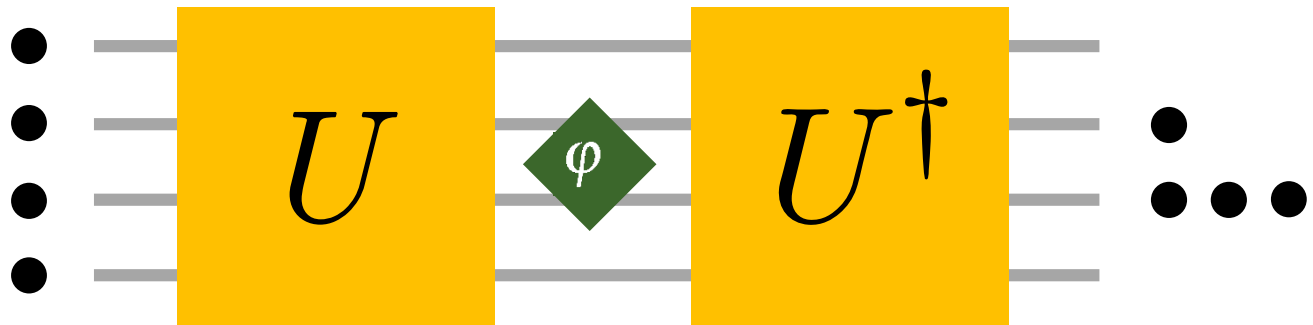
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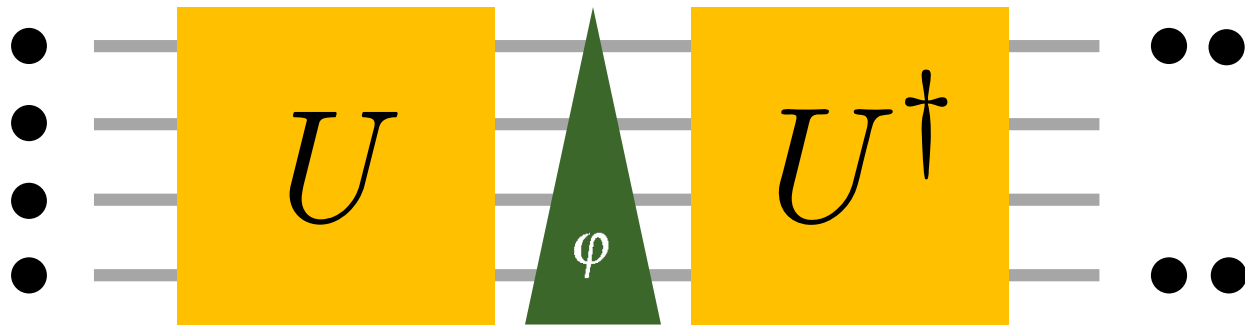
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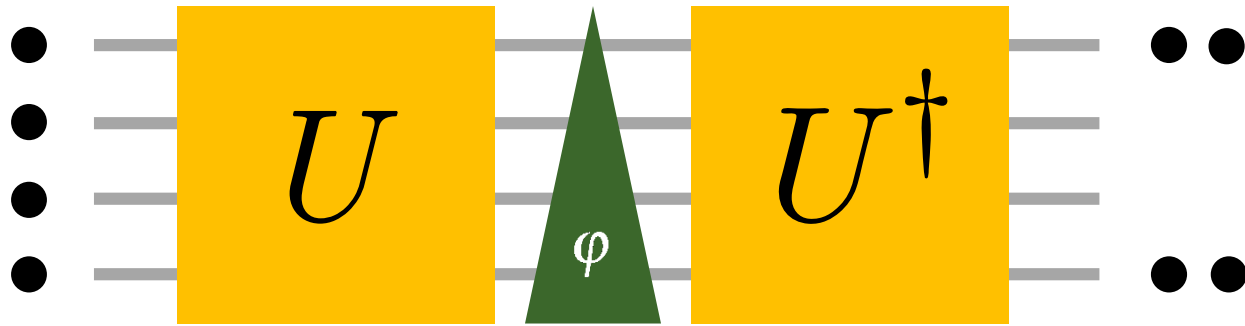
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$$M = 1 + \frac{N(N-1)}{2}$$

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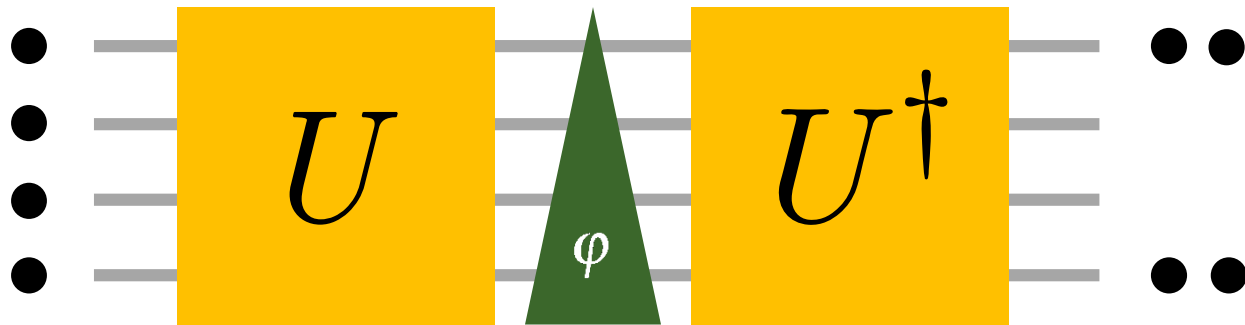
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- the probability of 1 photon per output

$$|\text{Per}(U^\dagger V_\varphi U)|^2$$

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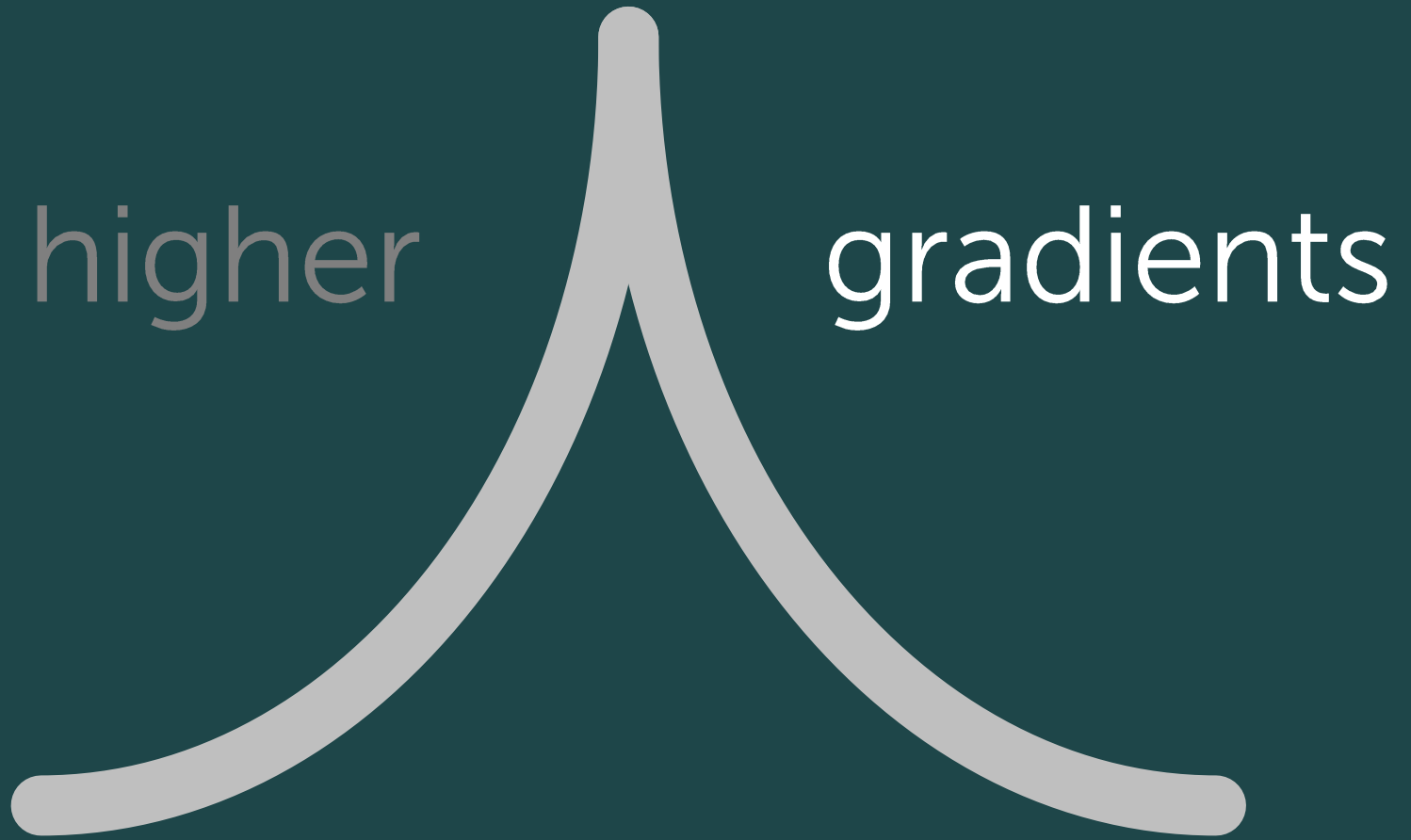
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- my questions:
analytics? why gradient?

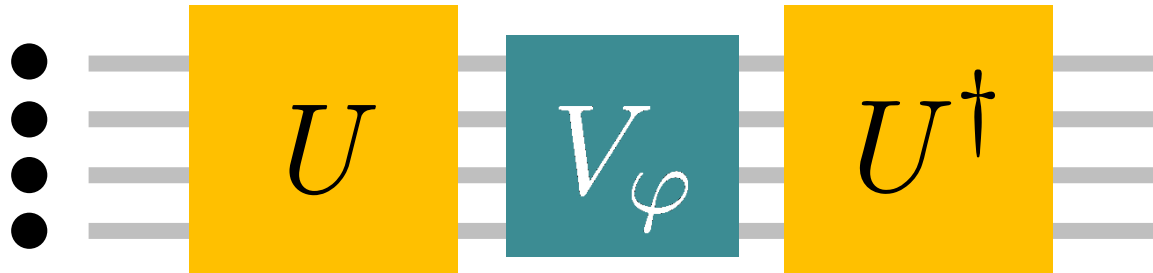
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higher

gradients

3 Analytics for the permanent



- phase sensitivity $\Delta\varphi = \frac{\sqrt{P - P^2}}{\left| \frac{\partial P}{\partial \varphi} \right|} \approx \frac{1}{2\sqrt{k_N}}$ ←

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3 Analytics for the permanent

- a single phase application: no gain



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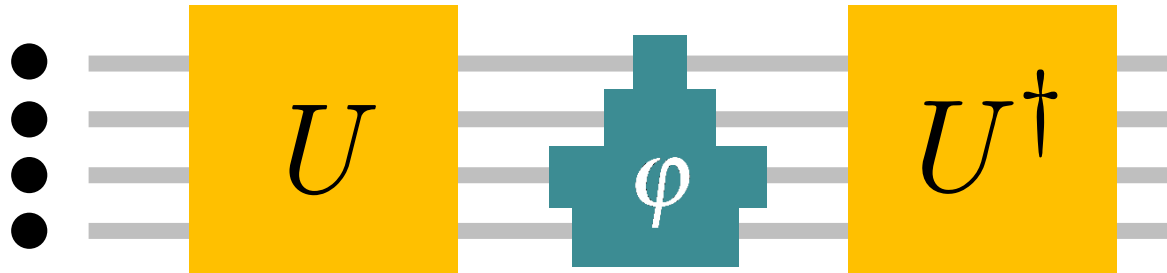
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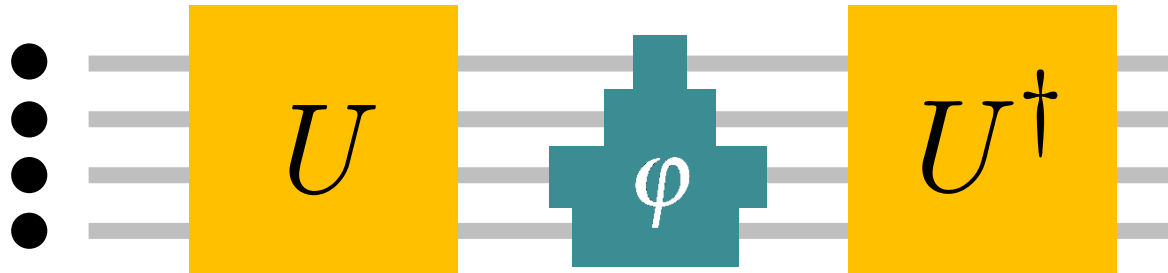
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$$\approx \underbrace{1 + i\varphi \sum_x \sum_j f_j U_{xj}^\dagger U_{jx} - \frac{\varphi^2}{2} \sum_x \sum_j f_j^2 U_{xj}^\dagger U_{jx}}_{\text{from the diagonal}} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x \neq y} \varphi^2 \left(\sum_j f_j U_{xj}^\dagger U_{jx} \right) \left(\sum_k f_k U_{yk}^\dagger U_{ky} \right) - \underbrace{\varphi^2 \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x \neq y} \left(\sum_j f_j U_{xj}^\dagger U_{jy} \right) \left(\sum_k f_k U_{yk}^\dagger U_{kx} \right)}_{\text{using 2 off-diagonal terms}}$$

- the expansion works better in $z = e^{i\varphi} - 1$

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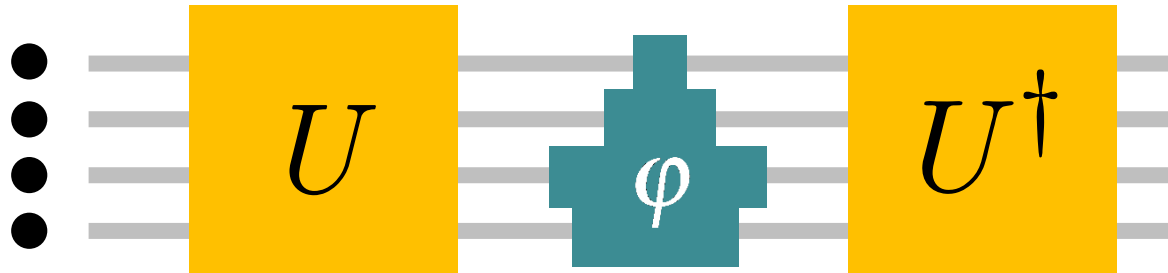
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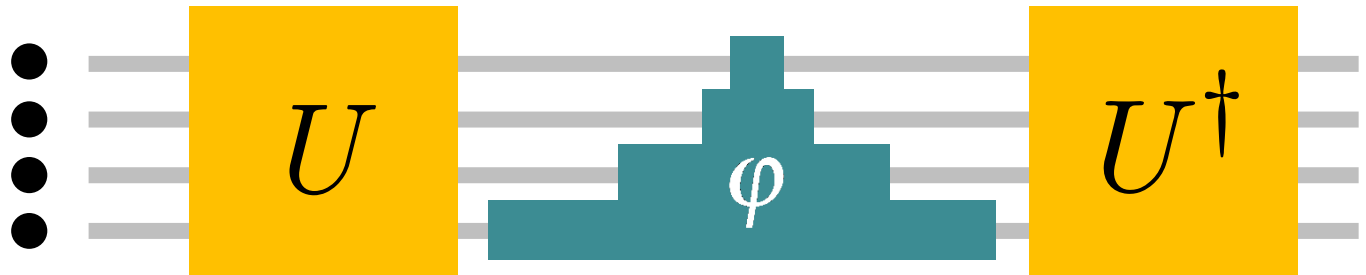
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- for a well-“mixing” U (e.g. Fourier) $|U_{yx}|^2 = \frac{1}{N}$
and small $\varphi \max_x \{f_x\} \ll 1$

3 Boson sampling to detect a phase

- apply the unknown phase for different “lengths”

$$f_j = j^a$$



$$\sum_x e^{if_x\varphi} |x\rangle\langle x|$$

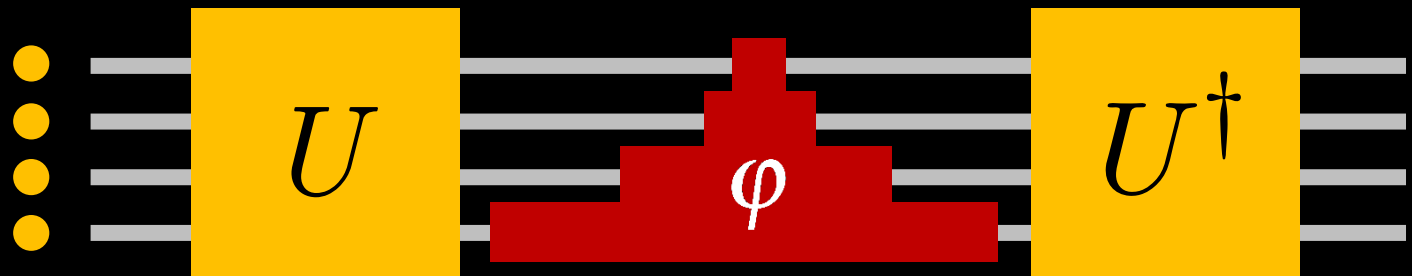
- the phase sensitivity goes up to the H.L. with higher a

$$\Delta\varphi = \Theta \left(M^{-1 + \frac{1}{2(a+1)}} \right)$$

$$M = \sum_j f_j$$

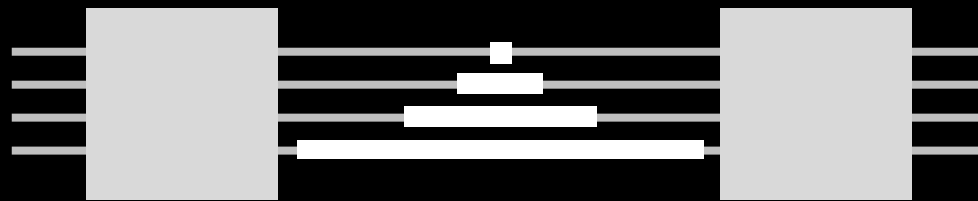
number of “uses”

source inefficiency
noise sensitivity
Cramér-Rao bound
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