

Neural-Shadow Quantum State Tomography

Victor Wei,^{1, 2, †} W. A. Coish,¹ Pooya Ronagh,^{2, 3, 4, 5} Christine A. Muschik^{2, 3, 4}

¹Department of Physics, McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada. ²Institute for Quantum Computing, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada.

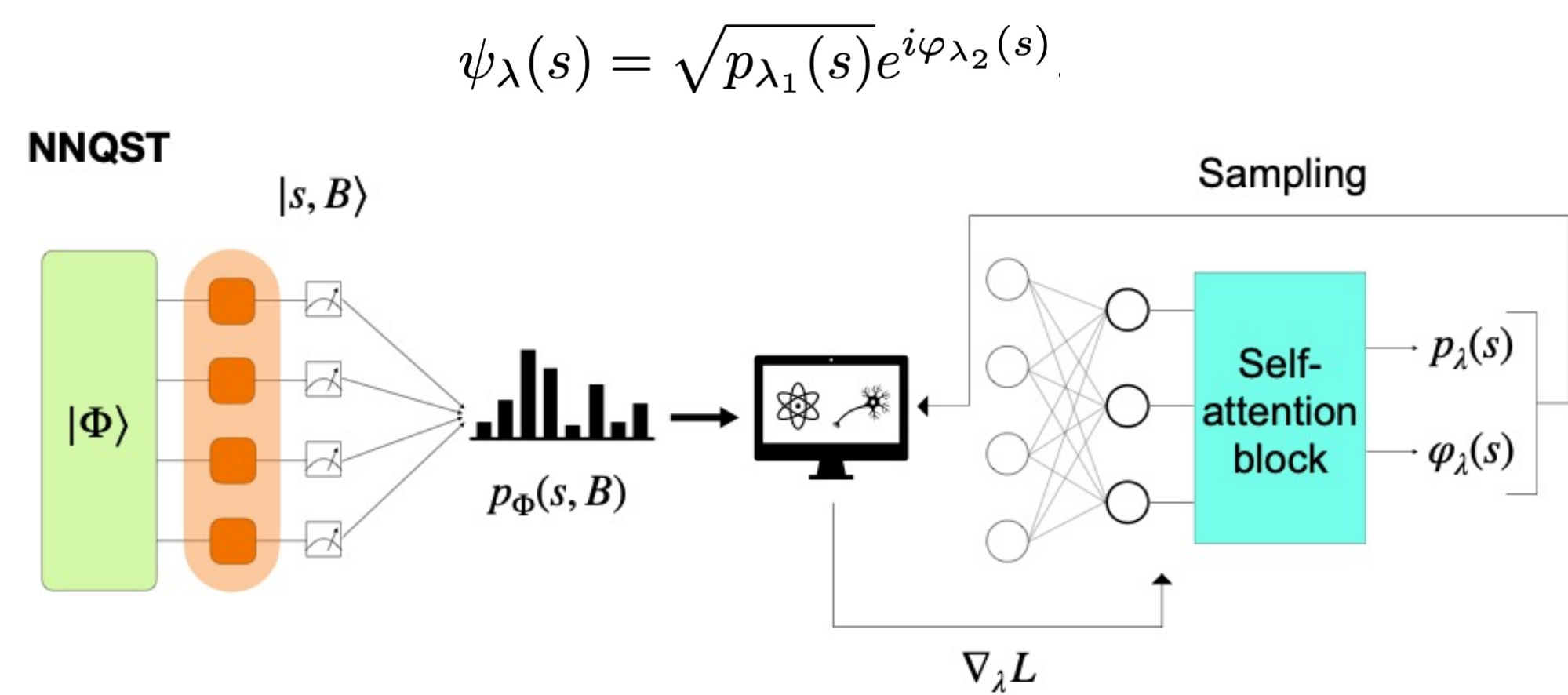
³Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada. ⁴Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics, Waterloo, ON, Canada.

⁵1QB Information Technologies (1QBit), Vancouver, BC, Canada.



1. Neural network quantum state tomography (NNQST)

- NNQST aims to reconstruct the target quantum state in a neural network ansatz.



- The loss function to minimize is the cross-entropy between the two distributions (target state and neural network quantum state) averaged over a set of bases.

$$L_\lambda = -\frac{1}{|\mathcal{B}|} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{s \in \{0,1\}^n} p_\Phi(s, B) \ln p_{\psi_\lambda}(s, B).$$

2. Classical shadows

$$\hat{\rho}_i(U_i, b_i) := \mathcal{M}^{-1}(|\phi_i\rangle\langle\phi_i|) = (2^n + 1)|\phi_i\rangle\langle\phi_i| - \mathbb{I}$$

$$\hat{\phi}^{(i)} := \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}_i O)$$

- Classical shadows (Clifford version shown above) can be used to predict observables with very few number of measurements.

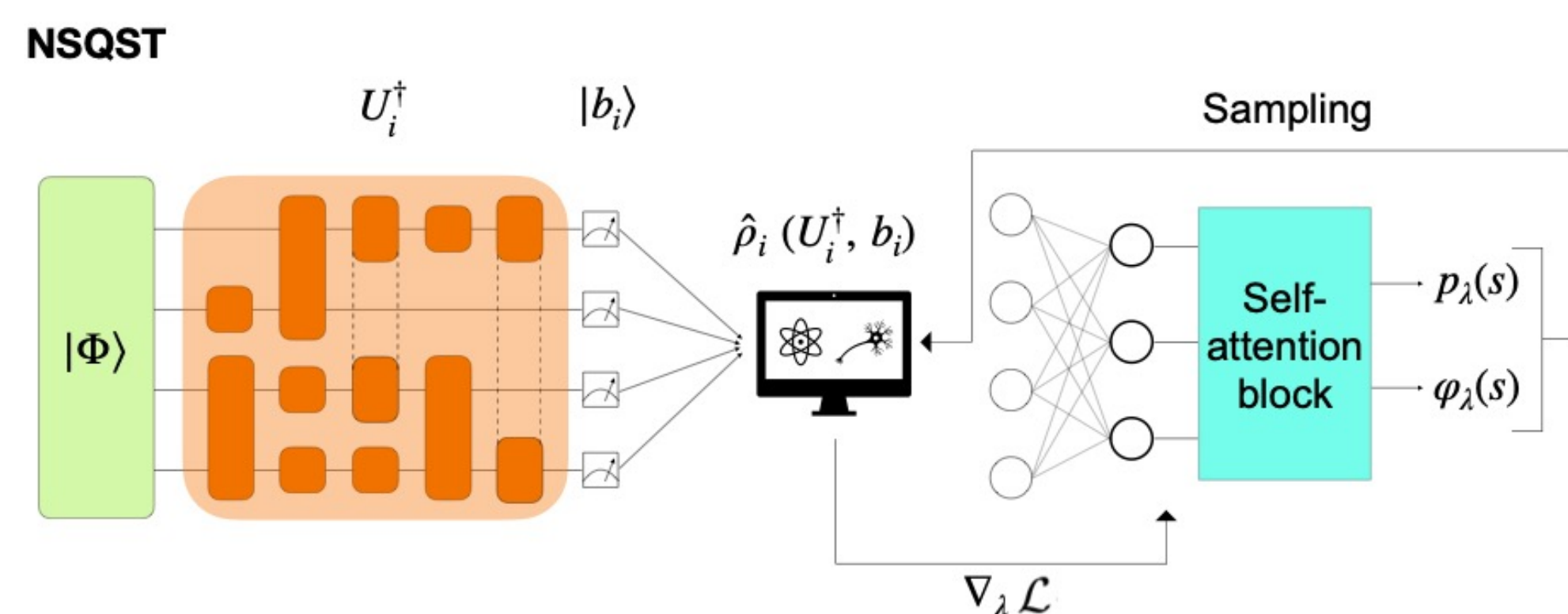
- For the Clifford version, the variance of the shadow estimate is

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\phi}) \leq 3 \text{Tr}(O^2)$$

- To predict fidelity to another pure state, the number of required shadows does not grow as system size grows!

3. Neural-shadow quantum state tomography (NSQST)

- NSQST uses the collected shadows as training data and aims to reconstruct the original state in a neural network ansatz by minimizing the infidelity loss function.

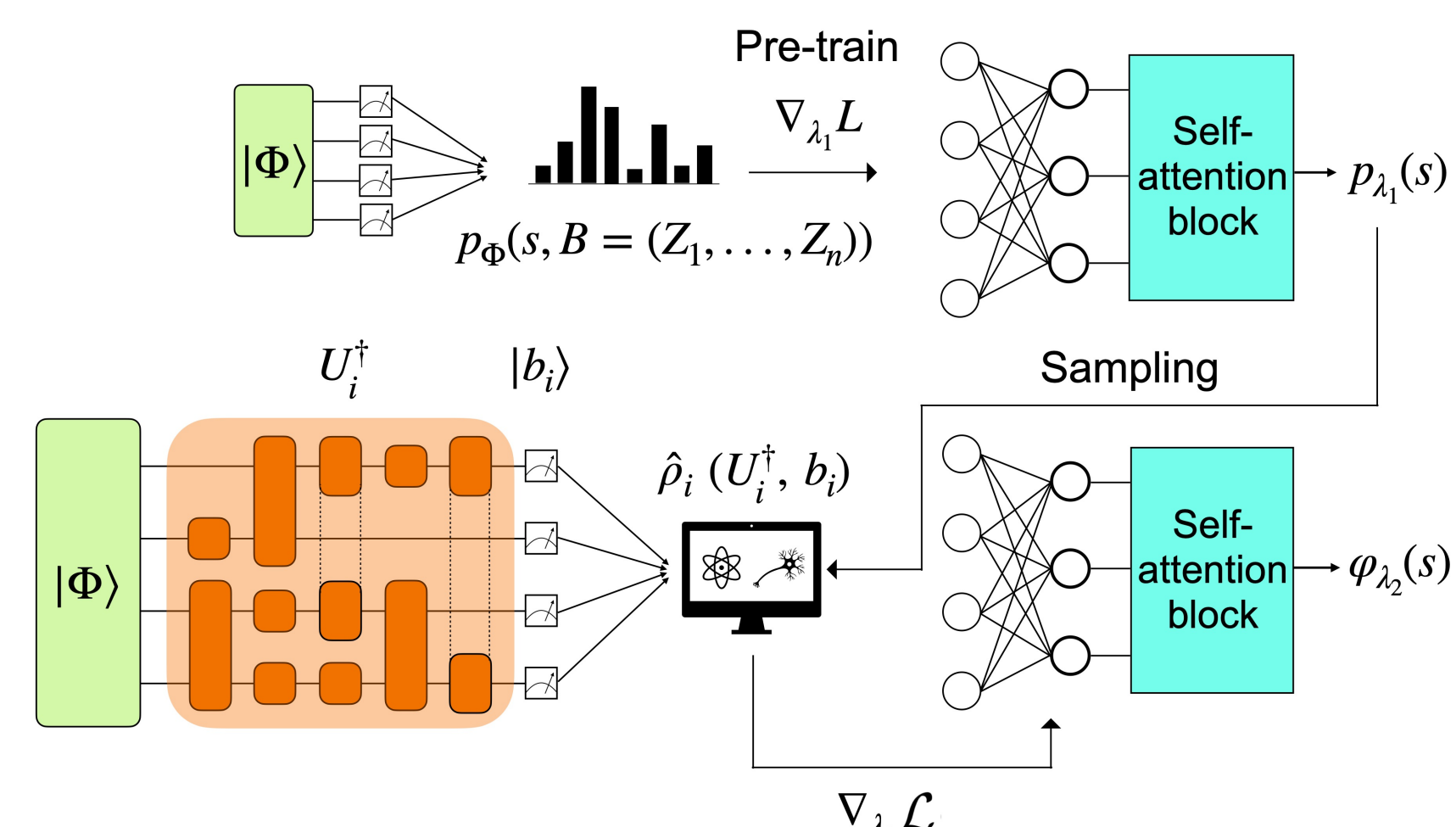


- By the proven property of (Clifford) classical shadows, the number of shadows needed to predict infidelity to a pure state with small additive error is independent of the system size.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\lambda(\mathcal{E}) &:= 1 - |\langle\psi_\lambda|\Phi\rangle|^2 \\ &\approx 1 - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \text{Tr}(O_\lambda \hat{\rho}_i) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle\psi_\lambda| \hat{\rho}_i(\mathcal{E}, U_i, b_i) |\psi_\lambda\rangle \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2^n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{f(\mathcal{E})}\right) - \frac{1}{N f(\mathcal{E})} \sum_{i=1}^N |\langle\phi_i|\psi_\lambda\rangle|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- NSQST with pre-training combines the resources used in NNQST and the standard NSQST protocol.

NSQST with pre-training



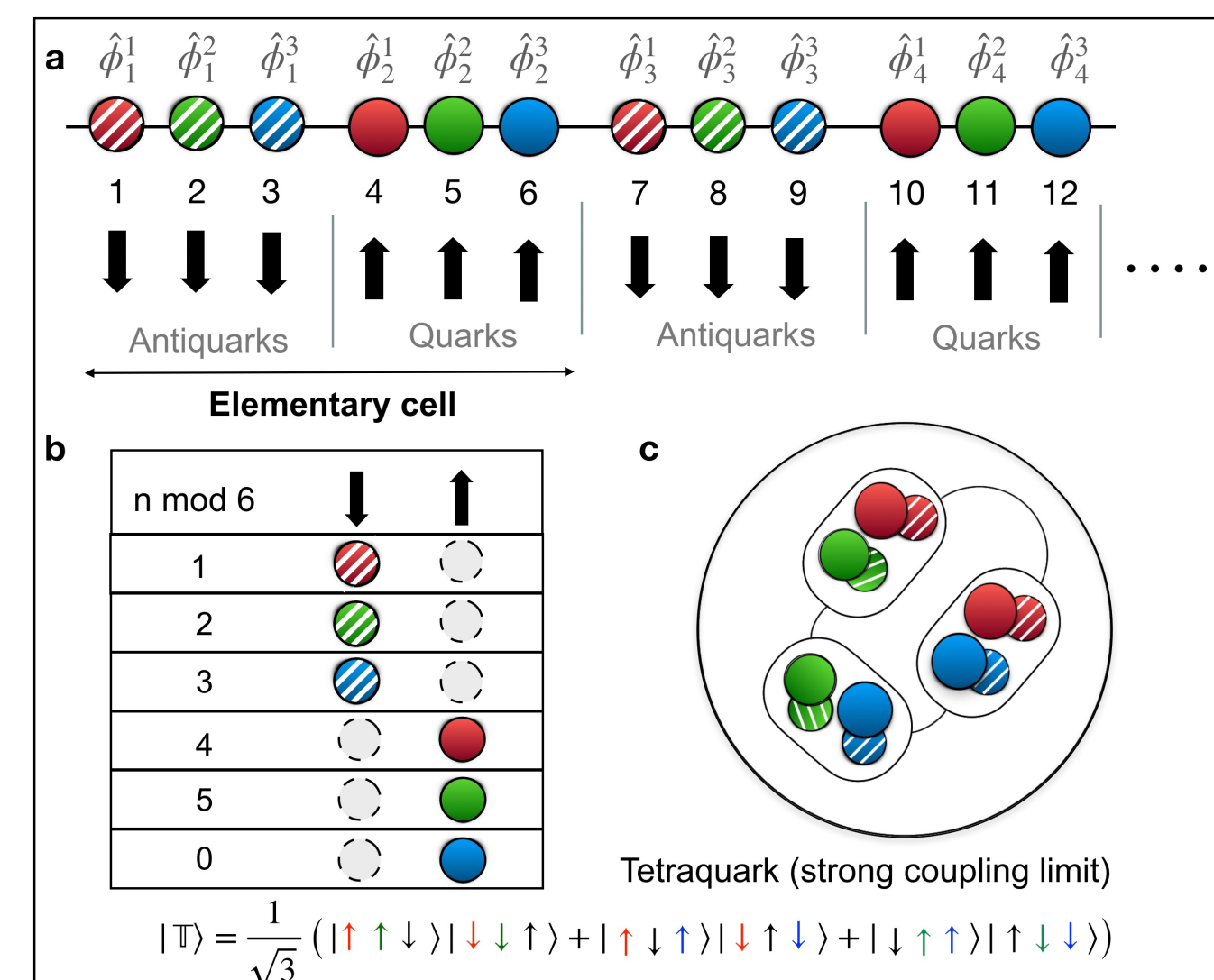
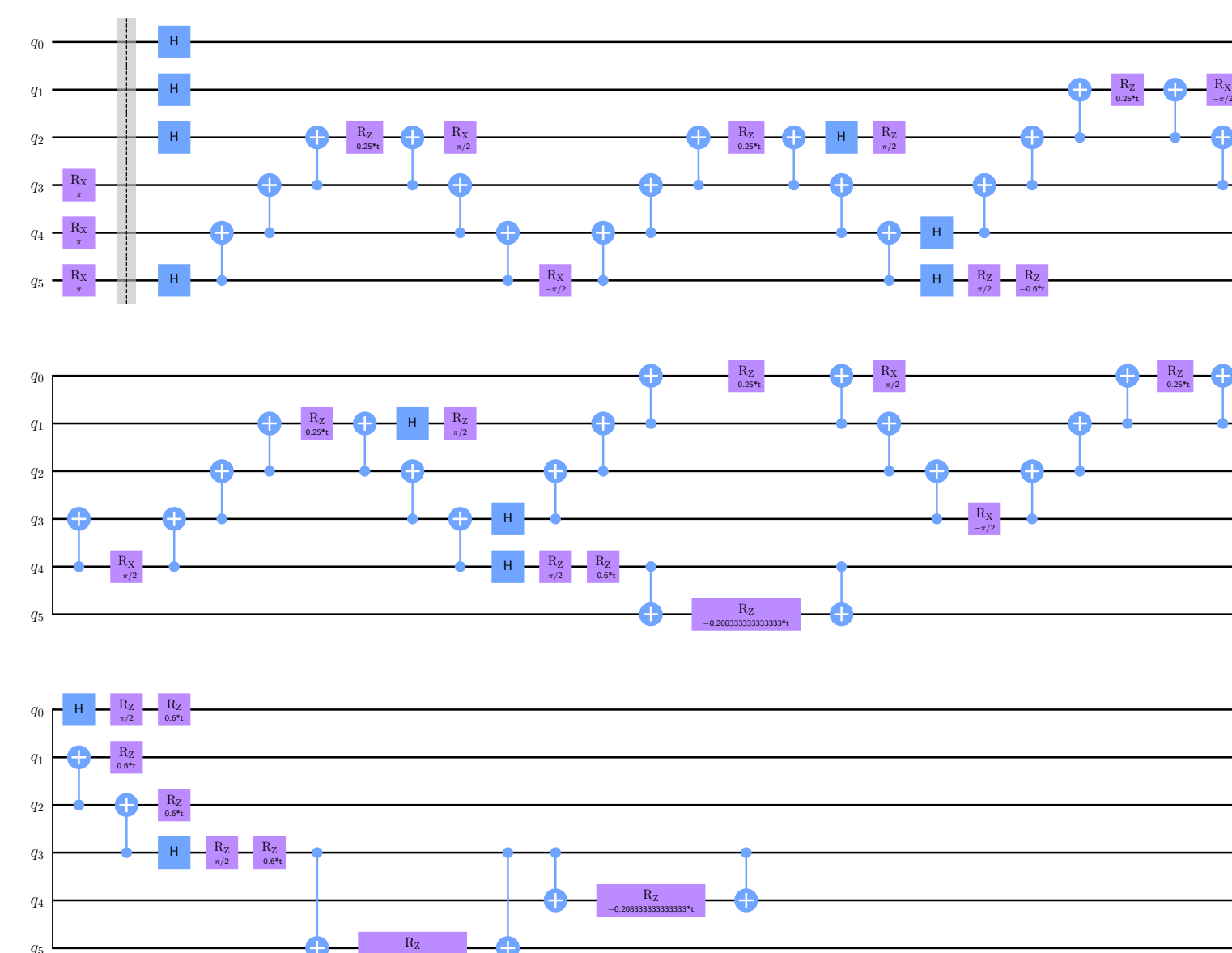
4. Trotterized time evolution with gauge group SU(3)

- To have a qubit formulation, we apply gauge transformation to eliminate the gauge degrees of freedom from the Hamiltonian, followed by a Jordan-Wigner transformation.

$$H_{SU(3)} = H_{kin} + \tilde{m} H_m + \frac{1}{2x} H_e,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} H_{kin} &= -\frac{1}{2} (\sigma_1^+ \sigma_2^z \sigma_3^z \sigma_4^- - \sigma_2^+ \sigma_3^z \sigma_4^z \sigma_5^- \\ &\quad + \sigma_3^+ \sigma_4^z \sigma_5^z \sigma_6^- + \text{H. c.}), \\ H_m &= \frac{1}{2} (6 - \sigma_1^z - \sigma_2^z - \sigma_3^z + \sigma_4^z + \sigma_5^z + \sigma_6^z), \\ H_e &= \frac{1}{3} (3 - \sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z - \sigma_1^z \sigma_3^z - \sigma_2^z \sigma_3^z), \end{aligned}$$



- To implement time evolution on a quantum computer, we use the Trotterized time evolution operator.

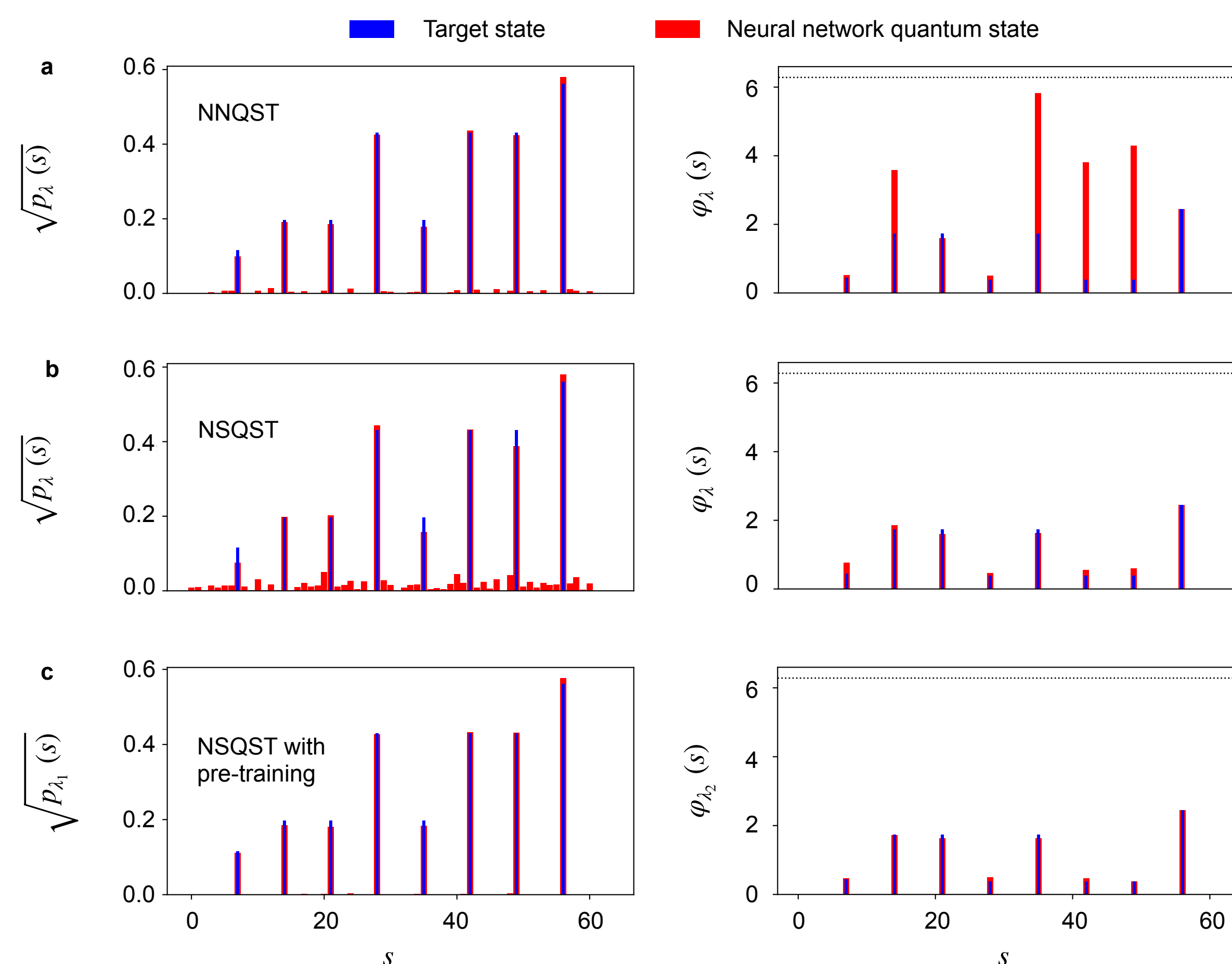
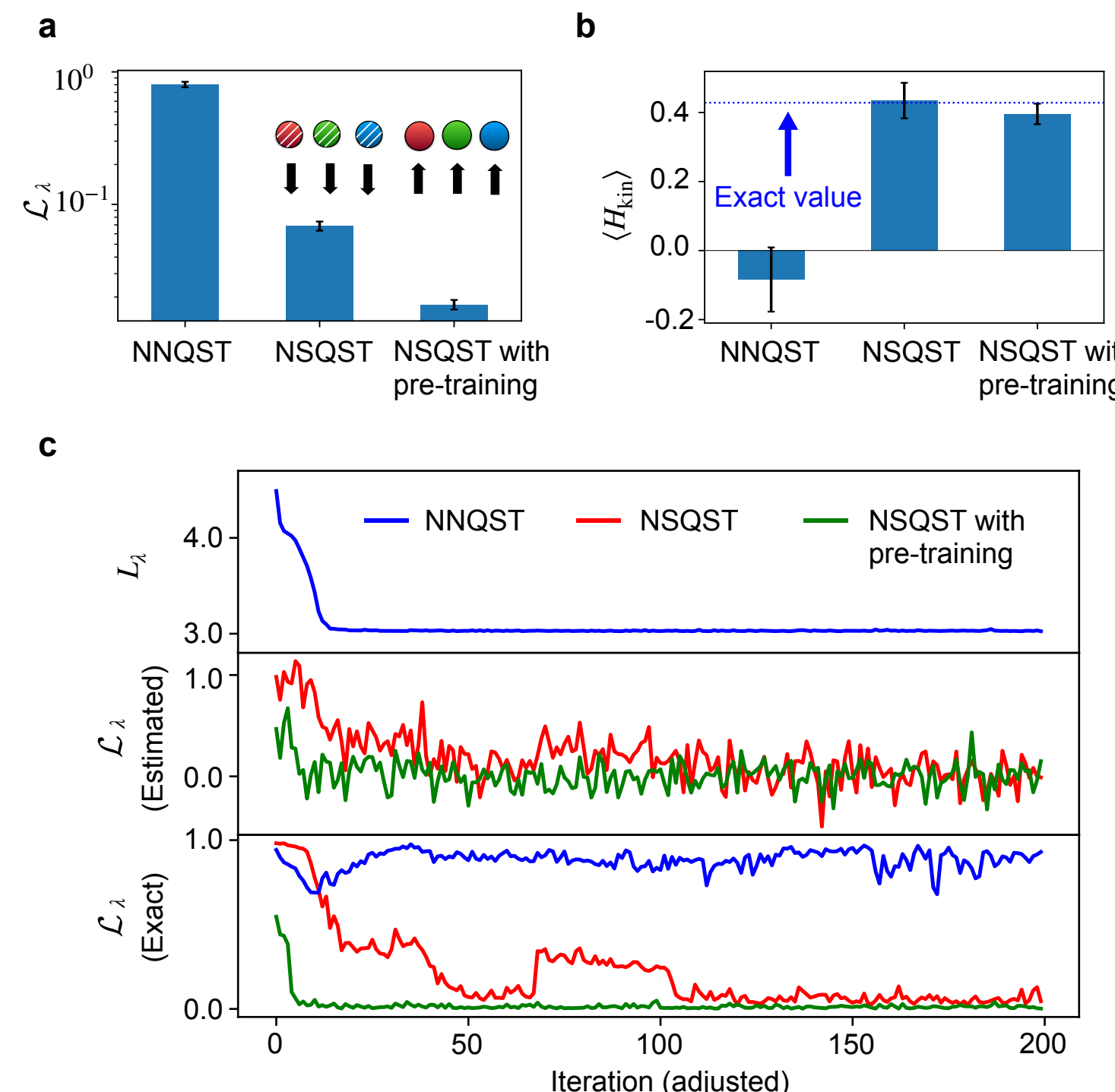
- A single 6-qubit Trotter step quantum circuit is shown on the left.

5. Advantages over NNQST

- We perform tomography of a 6-qubit time-evolved state (with four Trotter steps) under the SU(3) Hamiltonian.

- NNQST fails to learn the relative phases of the target state and predicts kinetic energy incorrectly.

- NSQST with pre-training combines the best of two worlds: learning the probability distribution from cross-entropy loss and the relative phases from shadow-based infidelity loss.



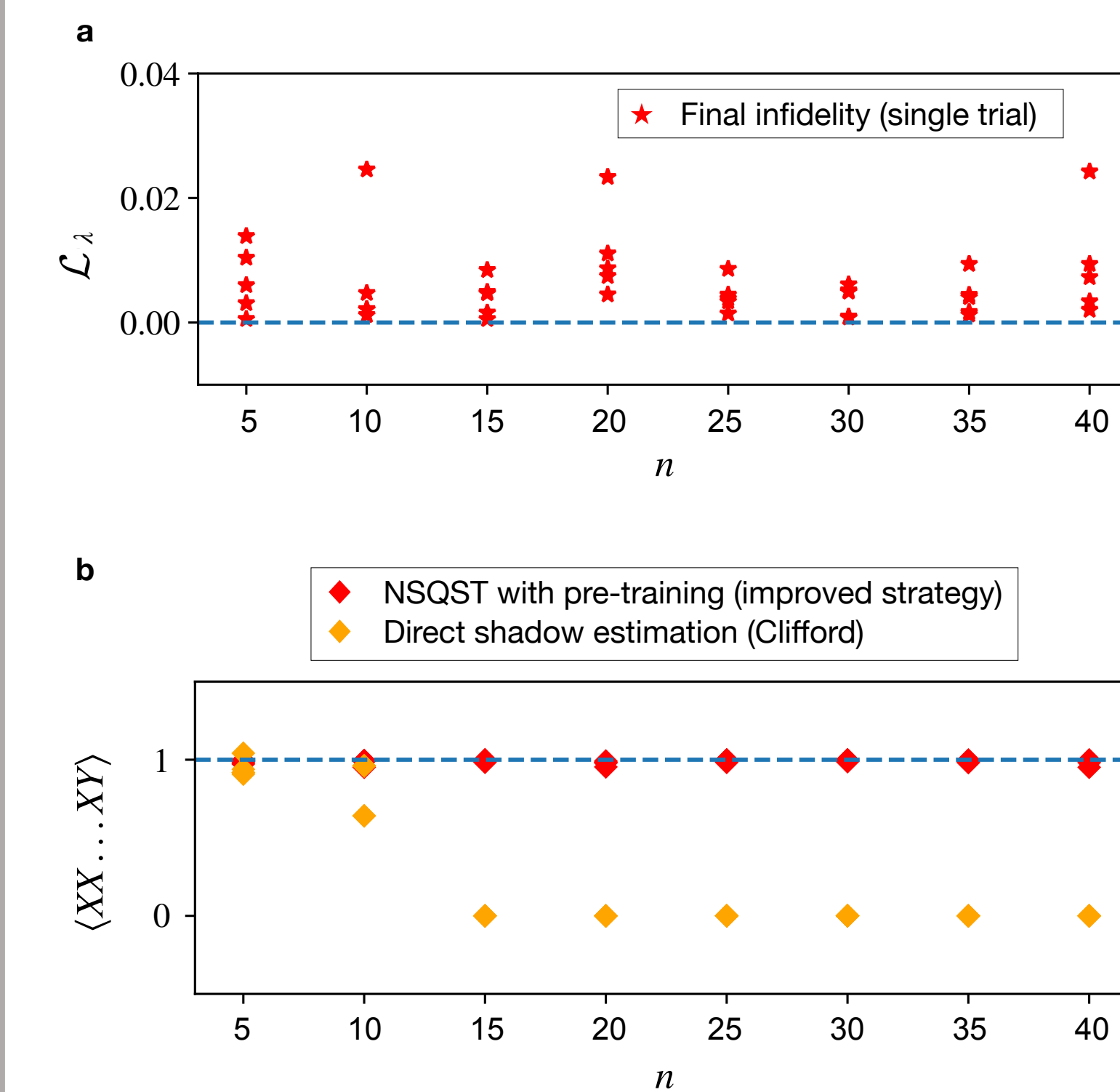
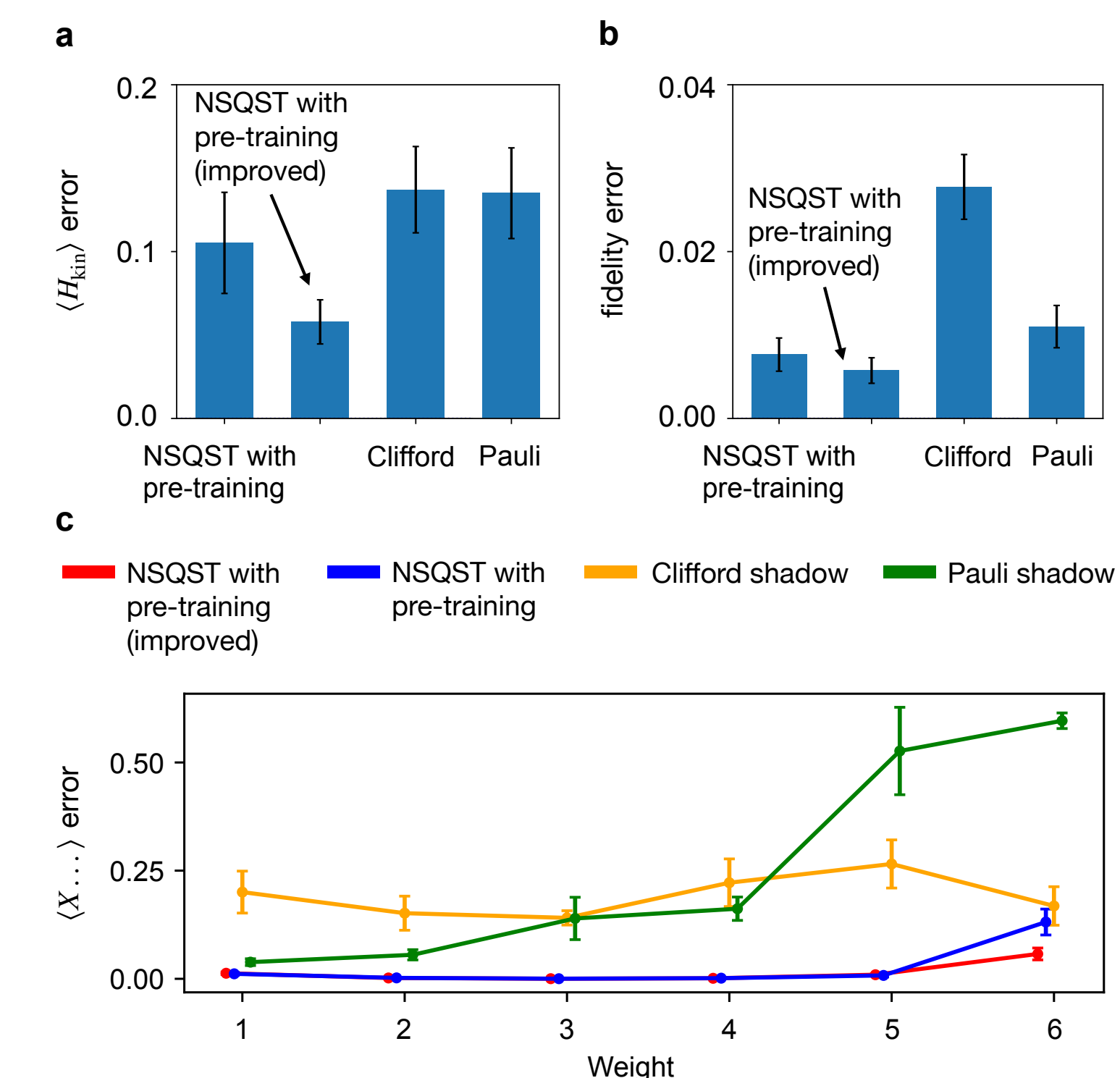
6. Advantages over direct shadow estimation

- It's important to investigate NSQST's advantages over direct shadow estimation. In other words, does the trained neural network quantum state have more predictive power than the shadow training data alone?

- Theoretically, Pauli shadows are known to be sample-efficient for predicting local observables but not global observables, whereas Clifford shadows are known to be sample-efficient at predicting low-rank observables (such as fidelity) but not high-rank observables (such as Pauli observables irrespective of locality).

- For 6-qubit time-evolved state from Trotterized SU(3) time evolution, we compare the prediction error of various protocols.

- The same number of measurements is used in each protocol.

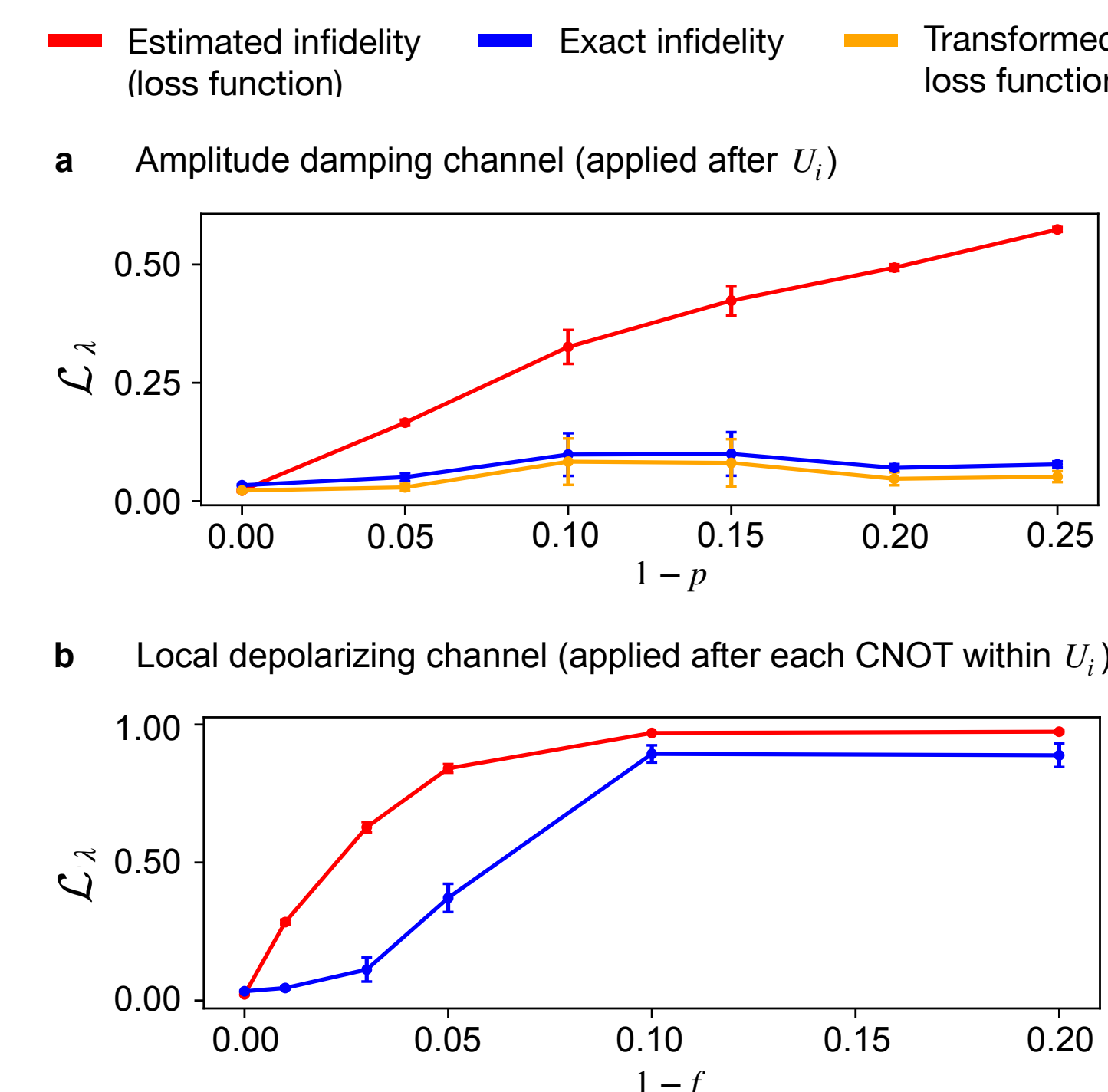


- For phase-shifted GHZ state, we compare NSQST with pretraining and direct (Clifford) shadow estimation up to 40 qubits, while using the same number of measurements in each protocol.

- The target state is a stabilizer state, and the measured Pauli string is one of its stabilizers.

7. Noise robustness

- We perform tomography of a 6-qubit phase-shifted GHZ state in the presence of a noise channel.



References:

- Victor Wei, W. A. Coish, Pooya Ronagh, and Christine A. Muschik, "Neural-Shadow Quantum State Tomography", arXiv preprint arXiv:2305.01078 (2023).
- Y. Y. Atas, J. F. Haase, J. Zhang, V. Wei, S. M.-L. Pfaendler, R. Lewis, and C. A. Muschik, "Real-time Evolution of SU(3) Hadrons on a Quantum Computer", arXiv preprint arXiv:2207.03473 (2022).