

Topological Topological Quantum Computing *Majoranas and Color Codes*

**Combining Topological Hardware and Topological Software:
Color Code Quantum Computing with Topological Superconductor Networks**

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Two flavors of topological quantum computing

Condensed matter physics



*Build qubits from
topological phases of matter*

Majorana fermions

- Protected against local noise
- Noise-free gates by braiding

Quantum information theory



*Use many physical qubits
for logical qubits*

Topological codes

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- Measure only local operators

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How can we add error correction to Majoranas
without losing any of their nice properties?

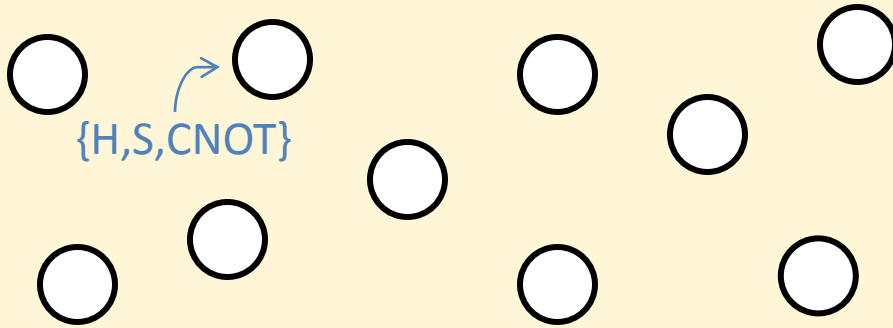
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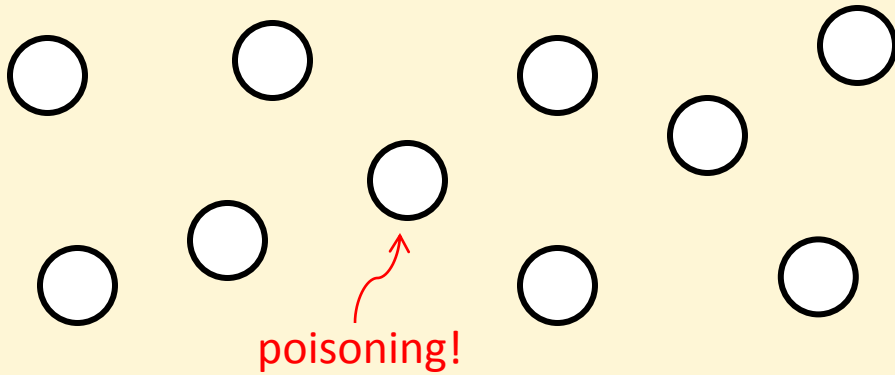
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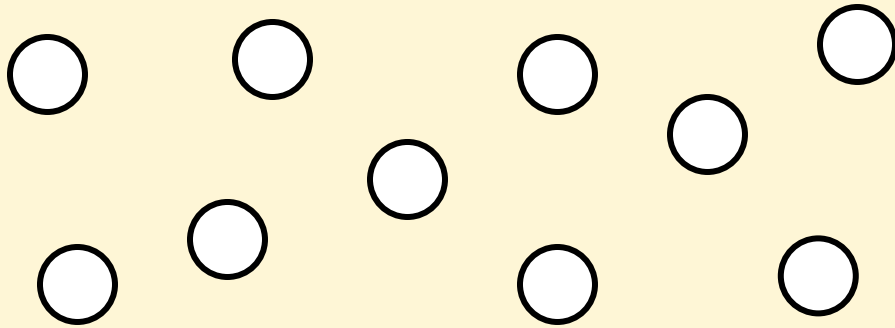
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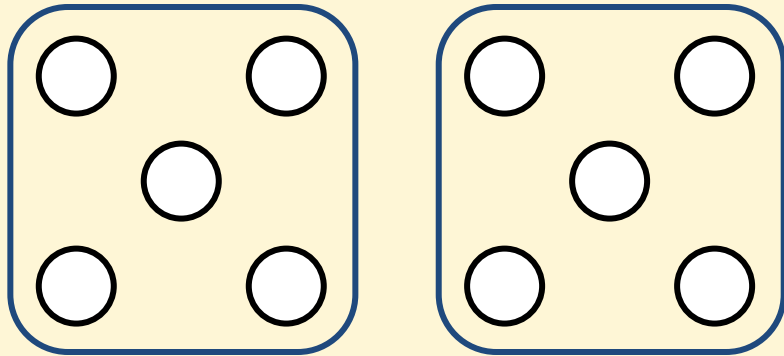


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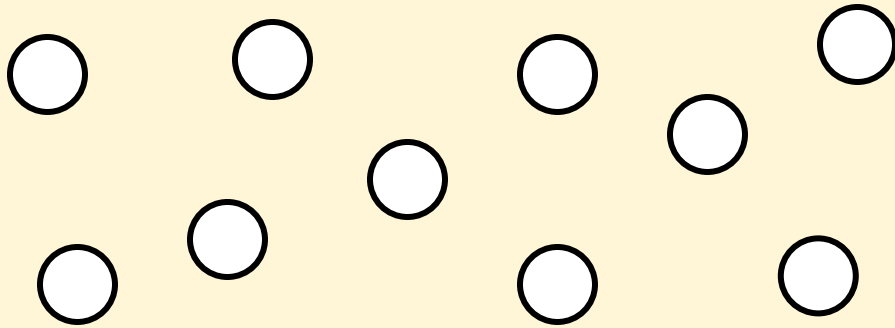
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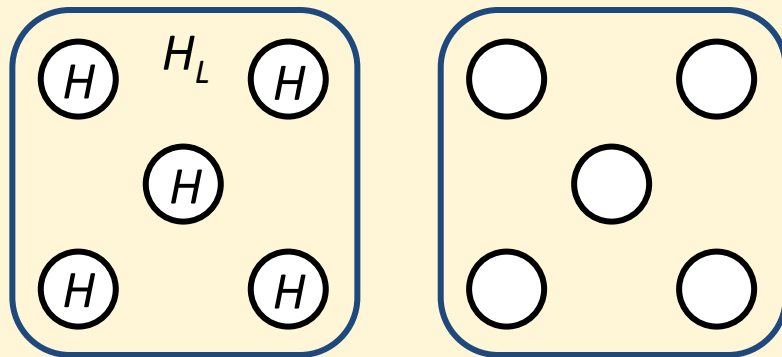
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desirable: $U_L = U^{\otimes n}$ (transversal gates)

Topologically protected gates of Majoranas

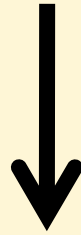
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Transversal gates of topological color codes

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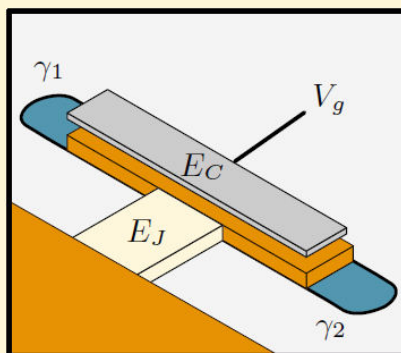
(Clifford gates: {H,S,CNOT})

This is the main message.

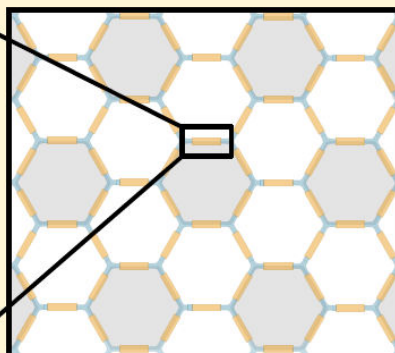


Majoranas and color codes
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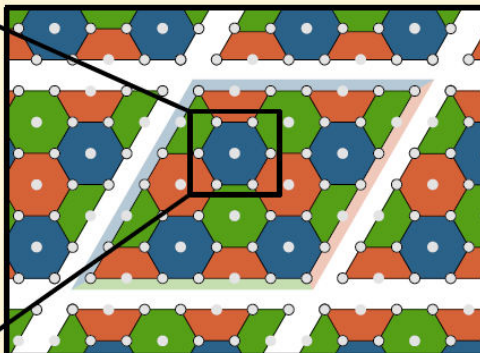
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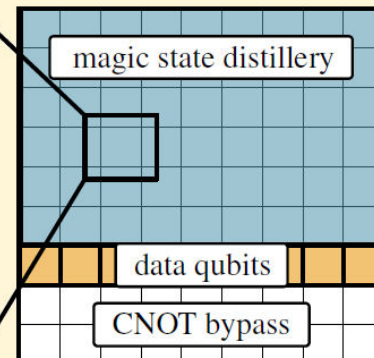
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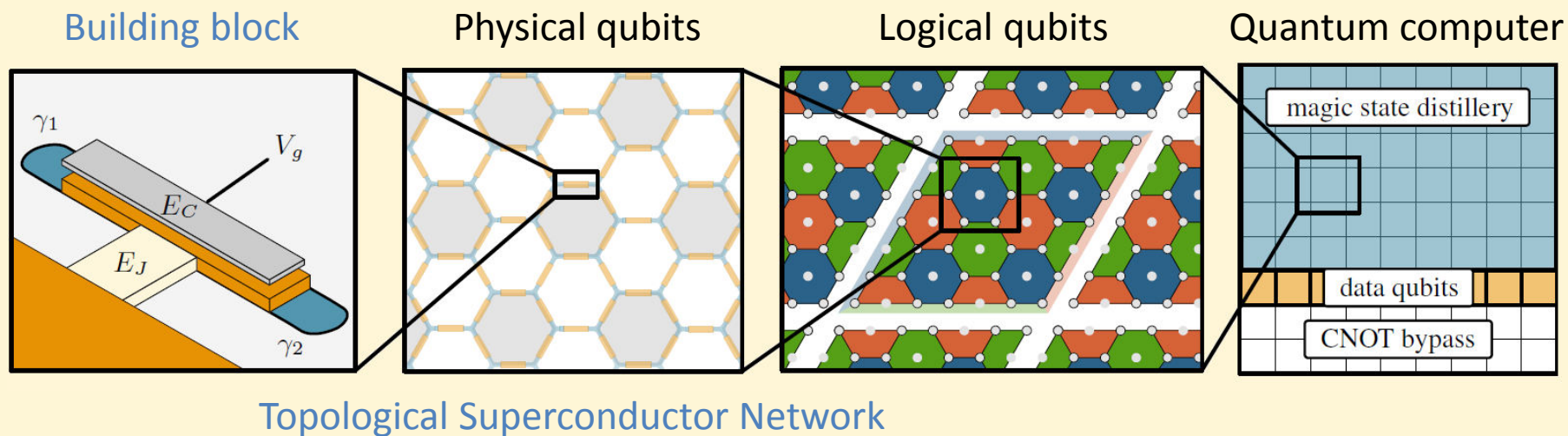


Logical qubits



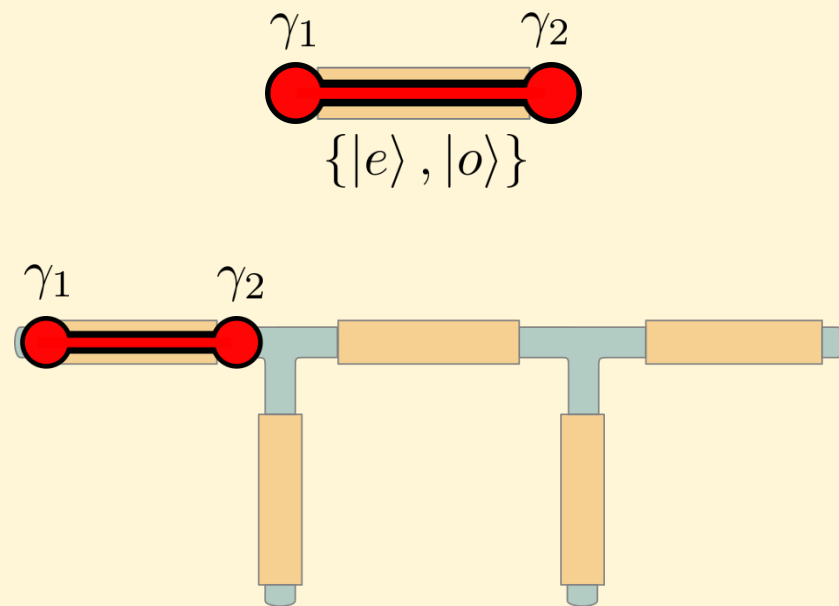
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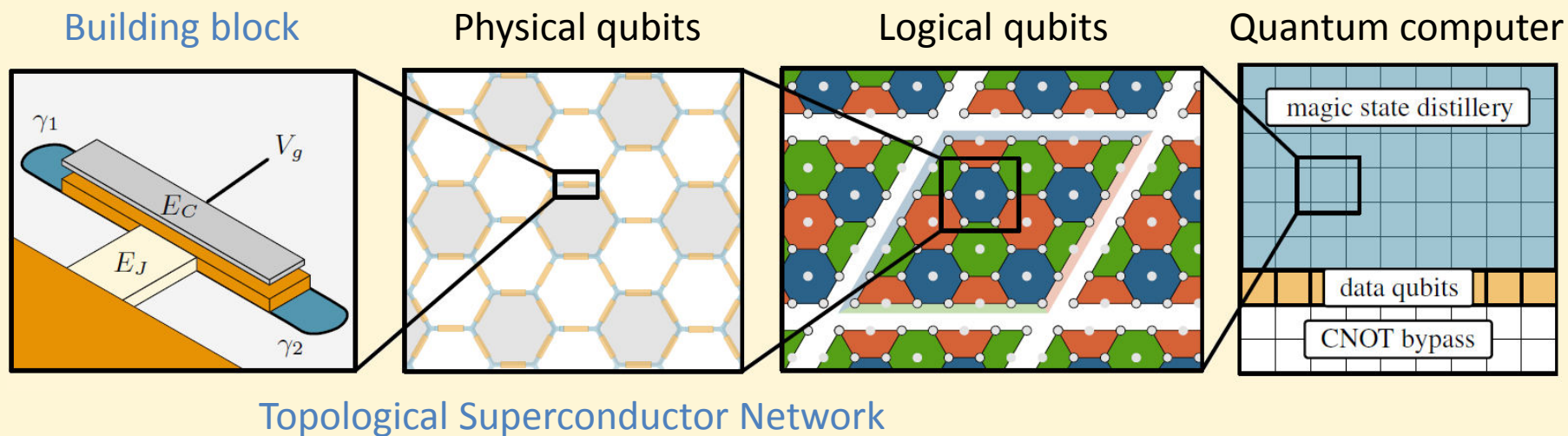




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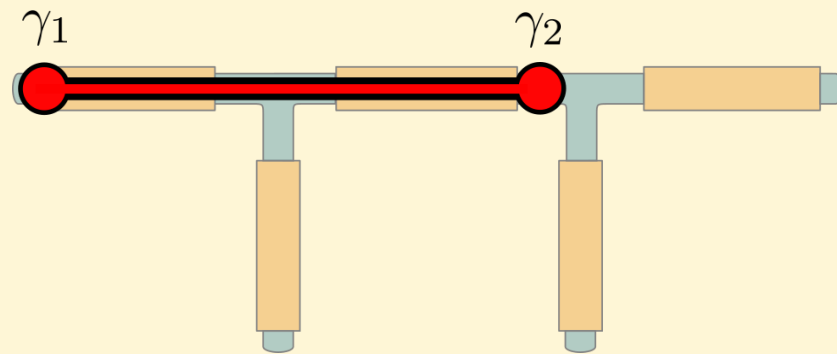
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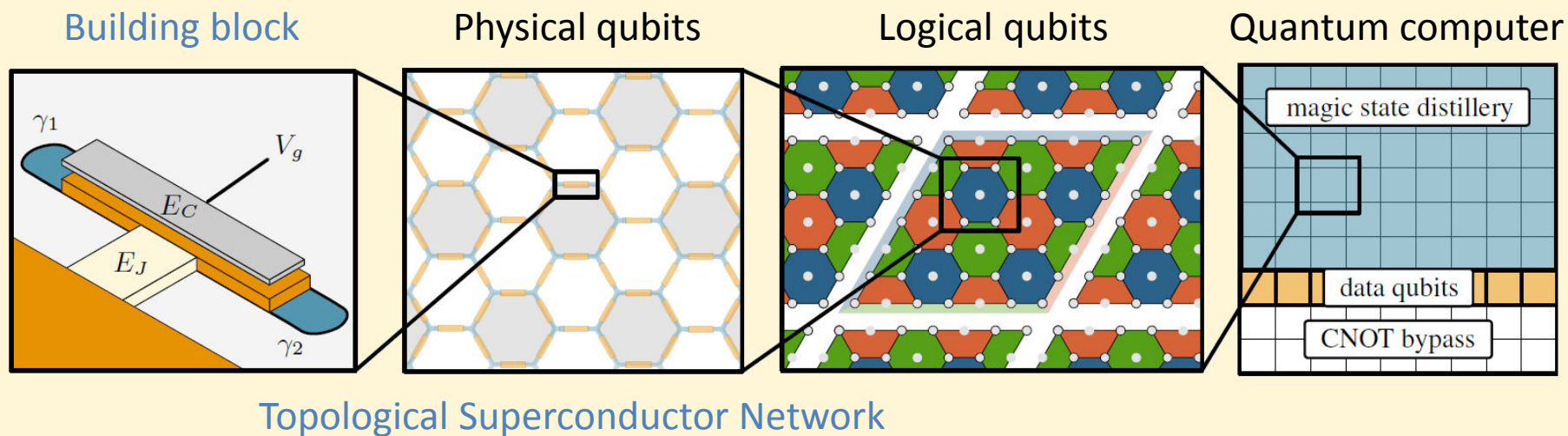




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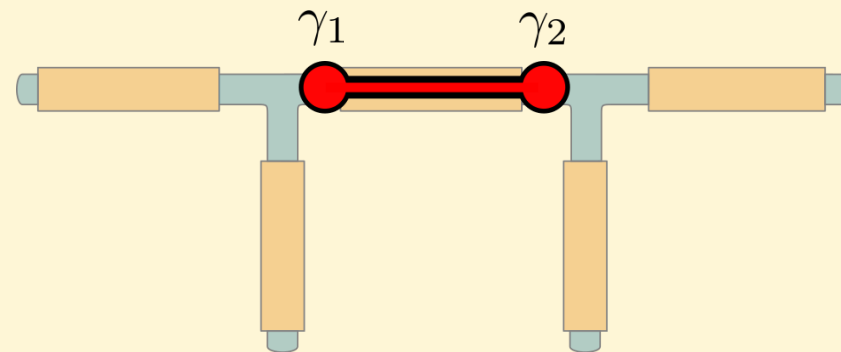
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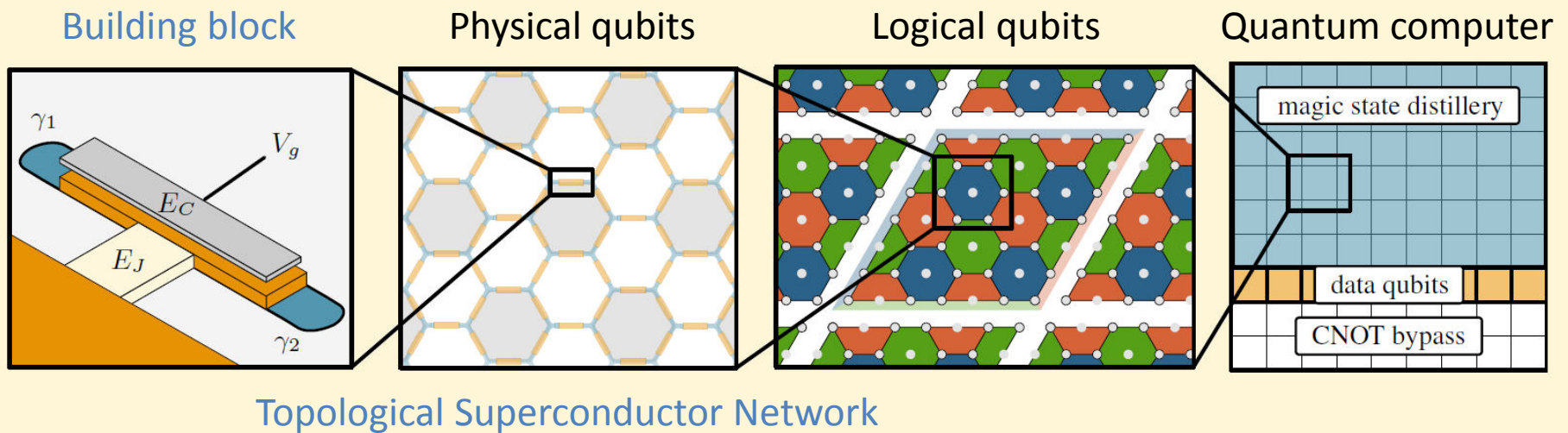




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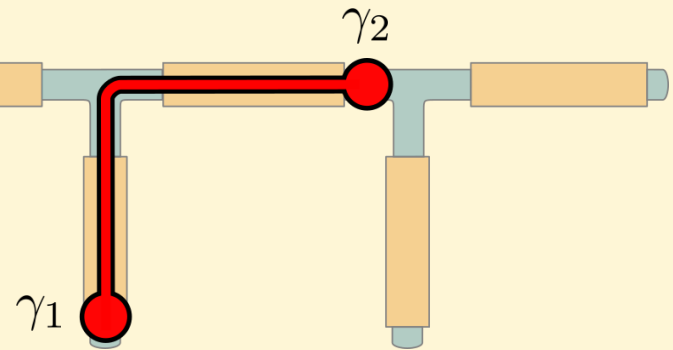
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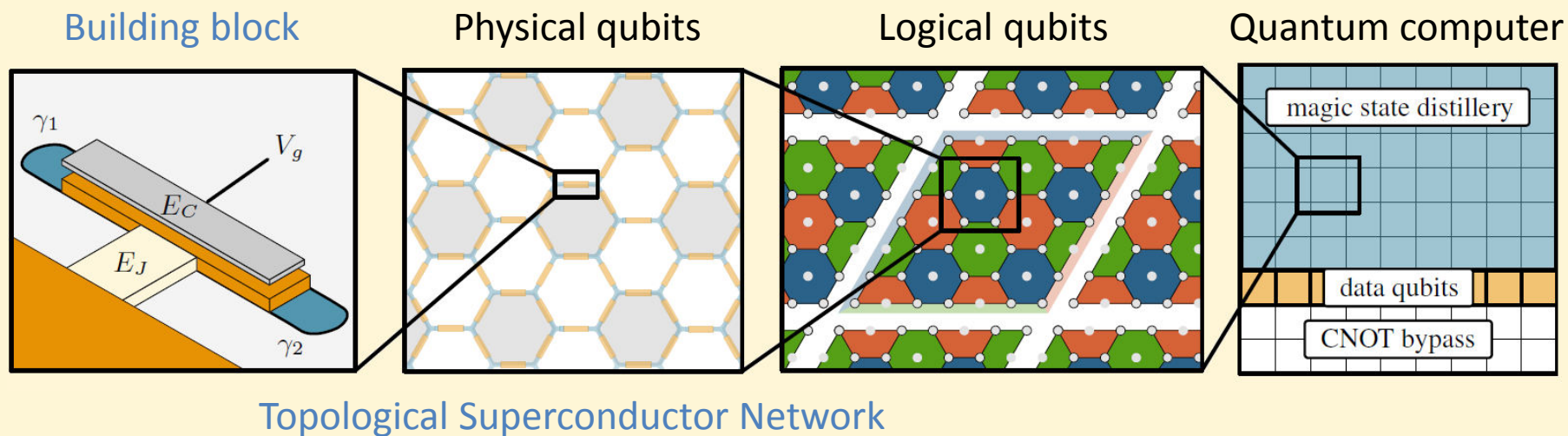




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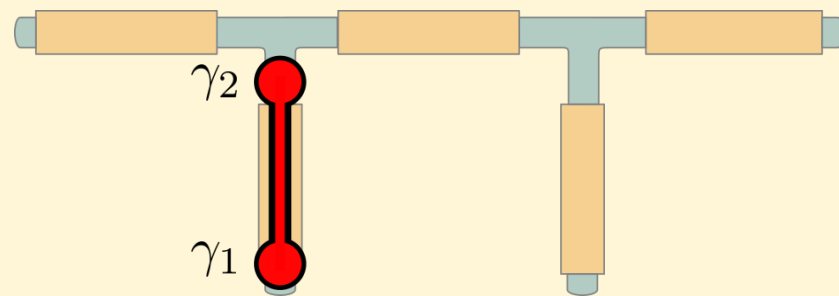
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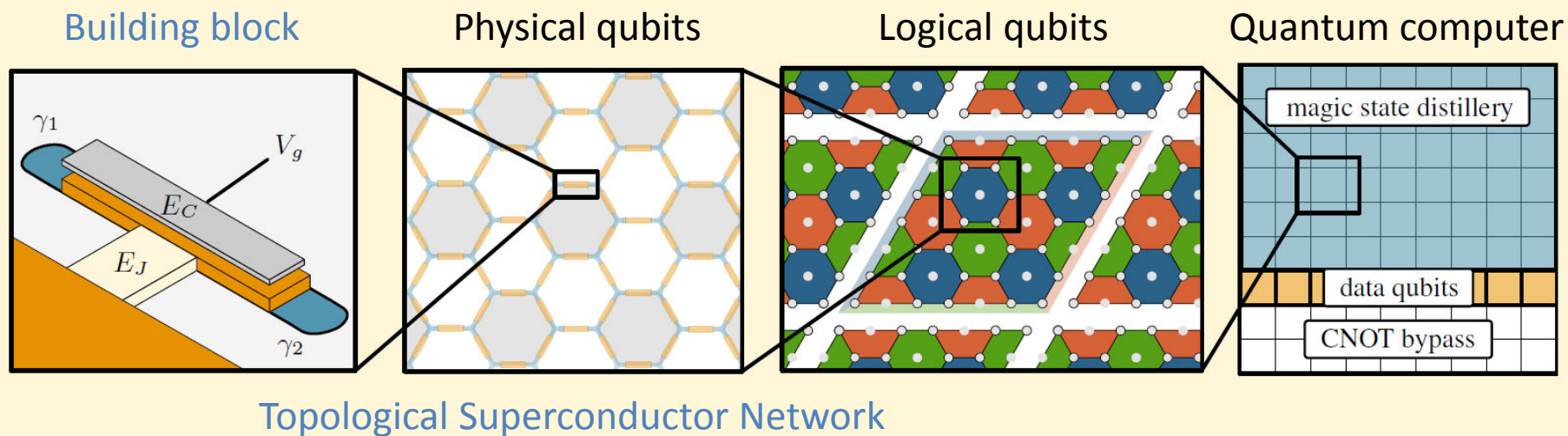




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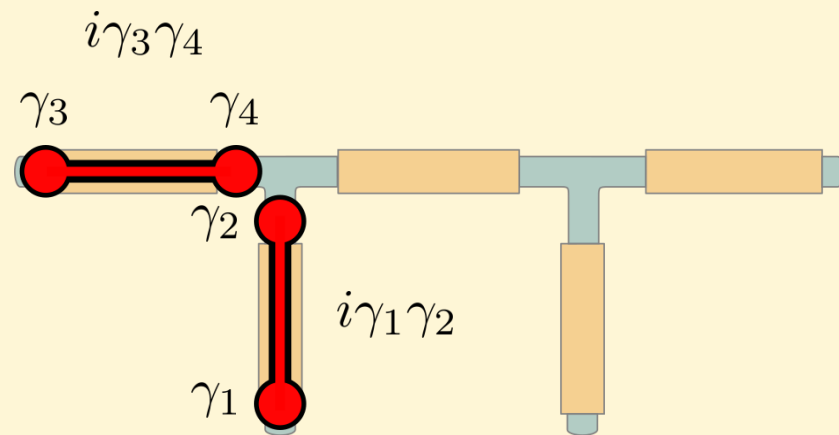
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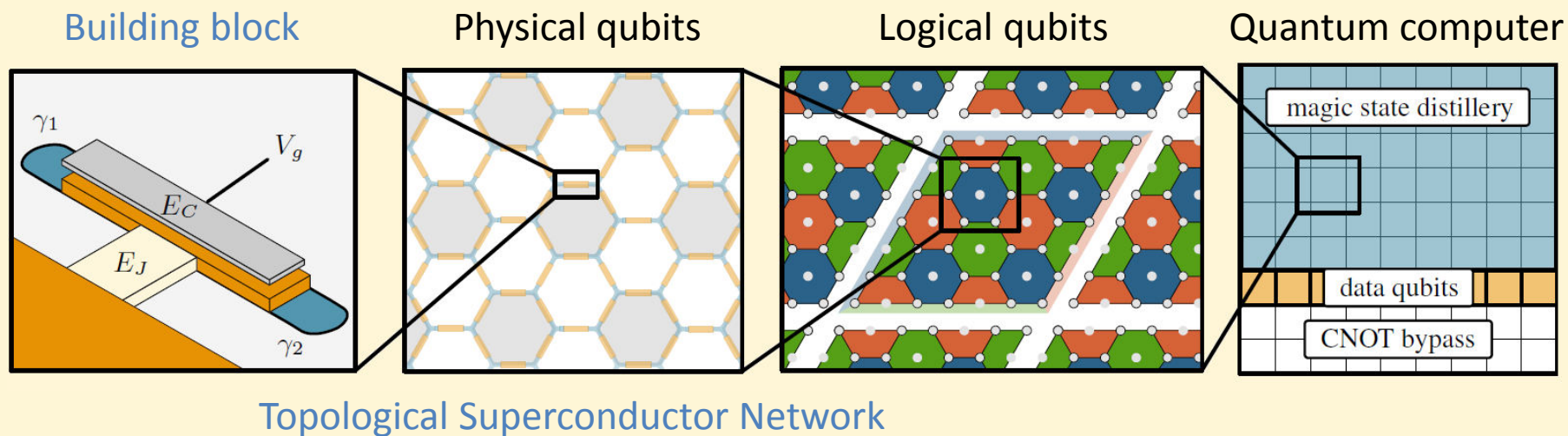




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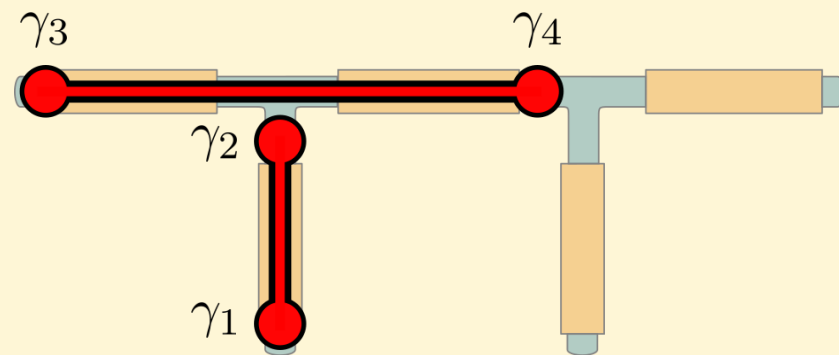
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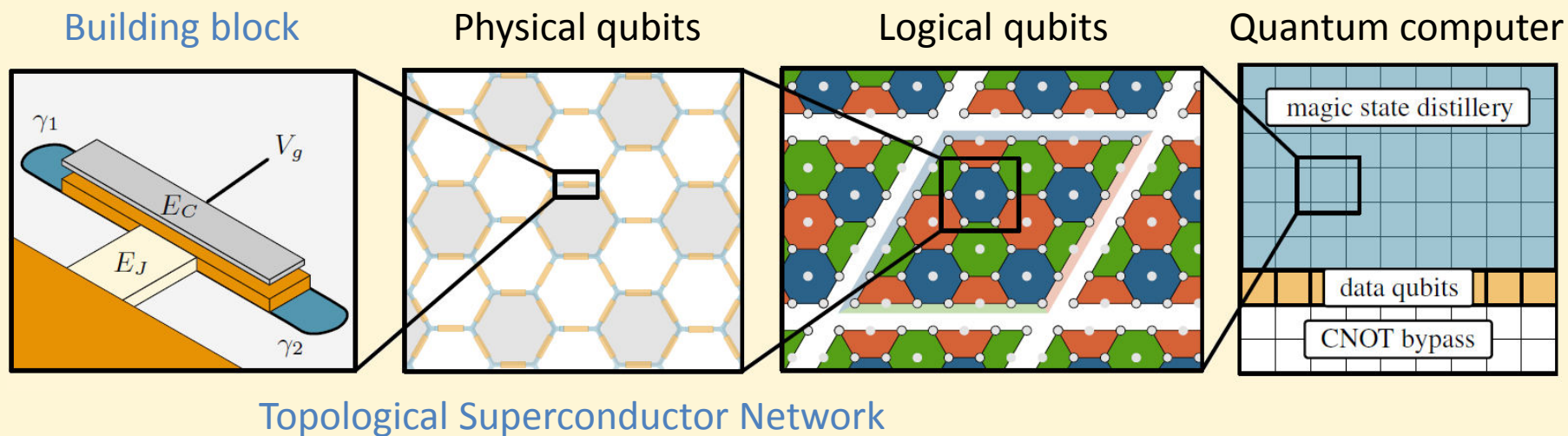




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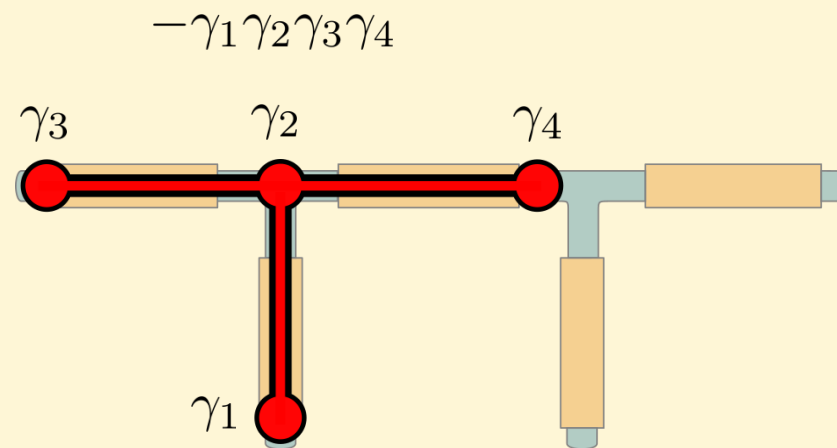
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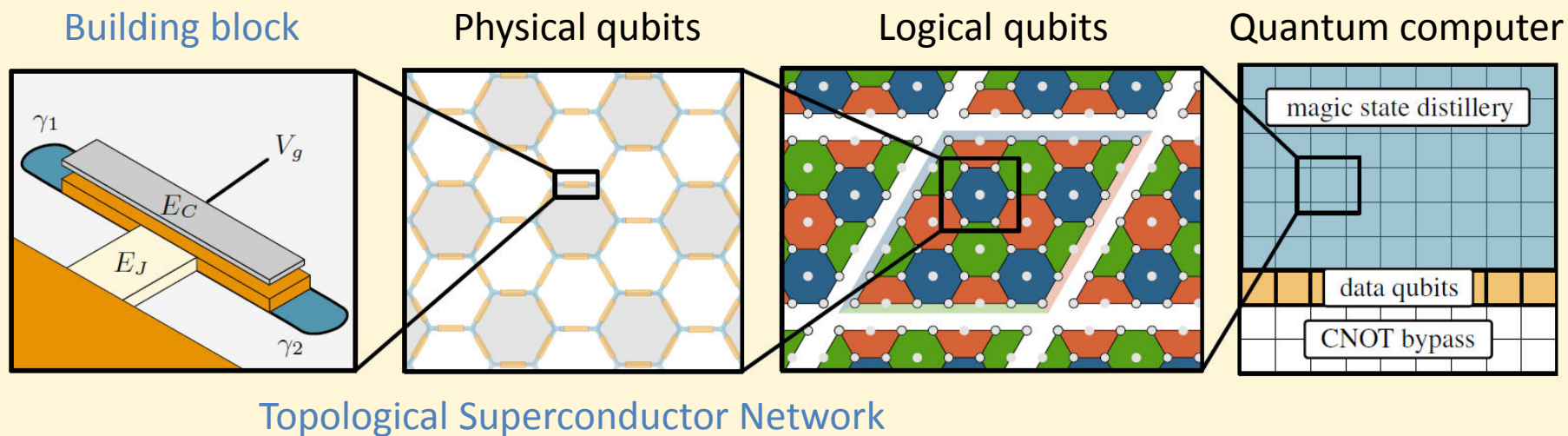




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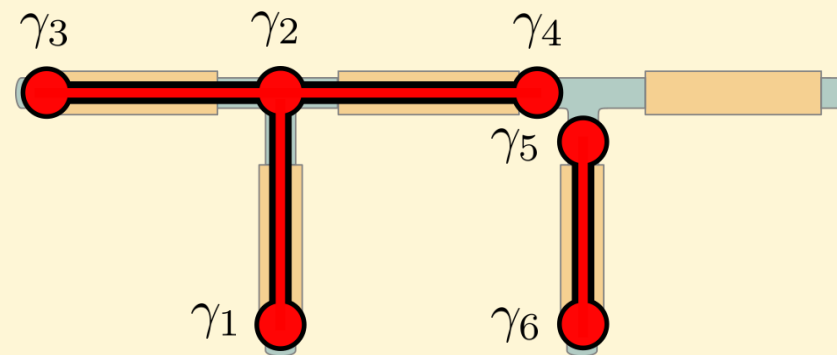
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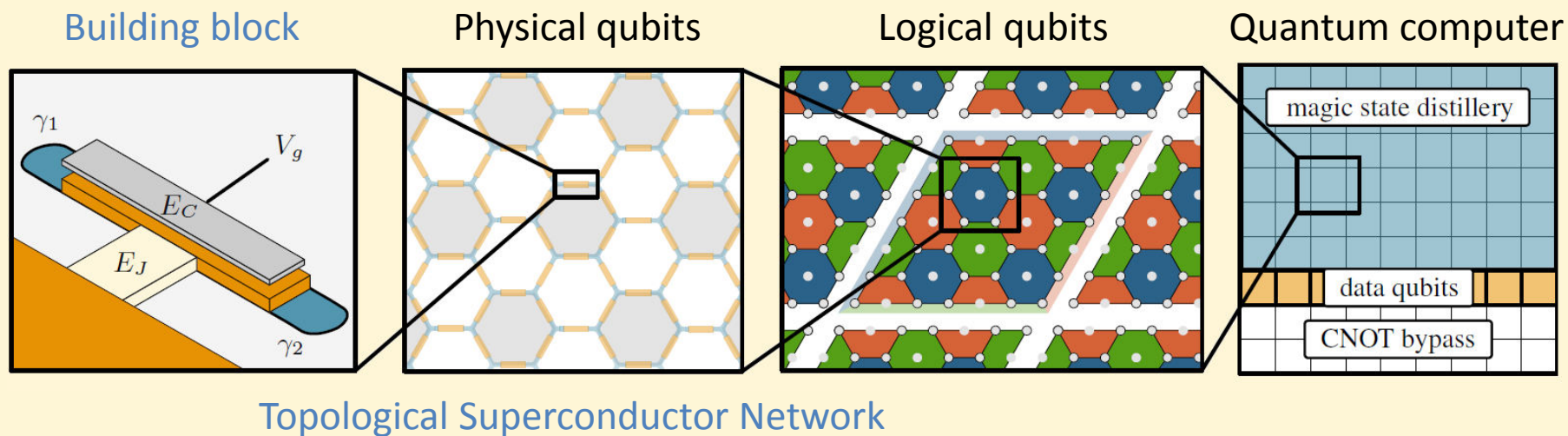




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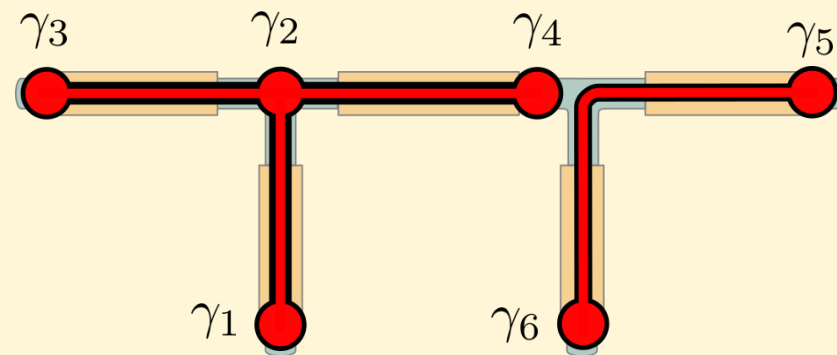
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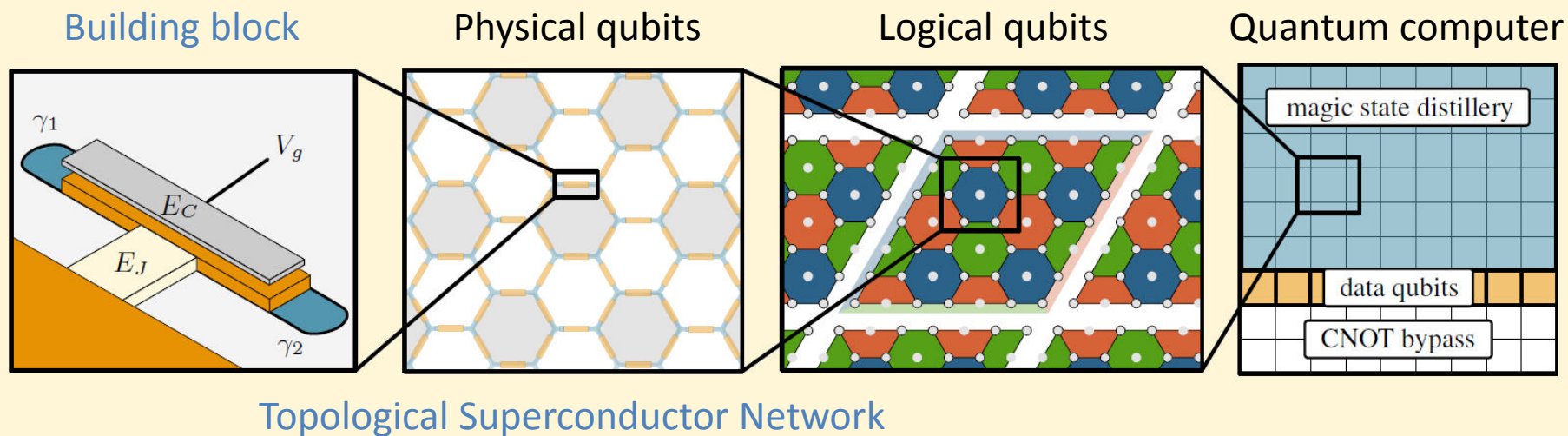




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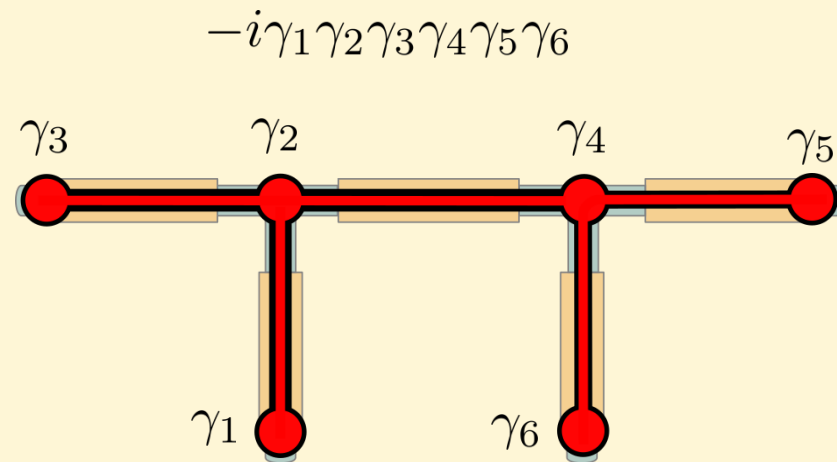
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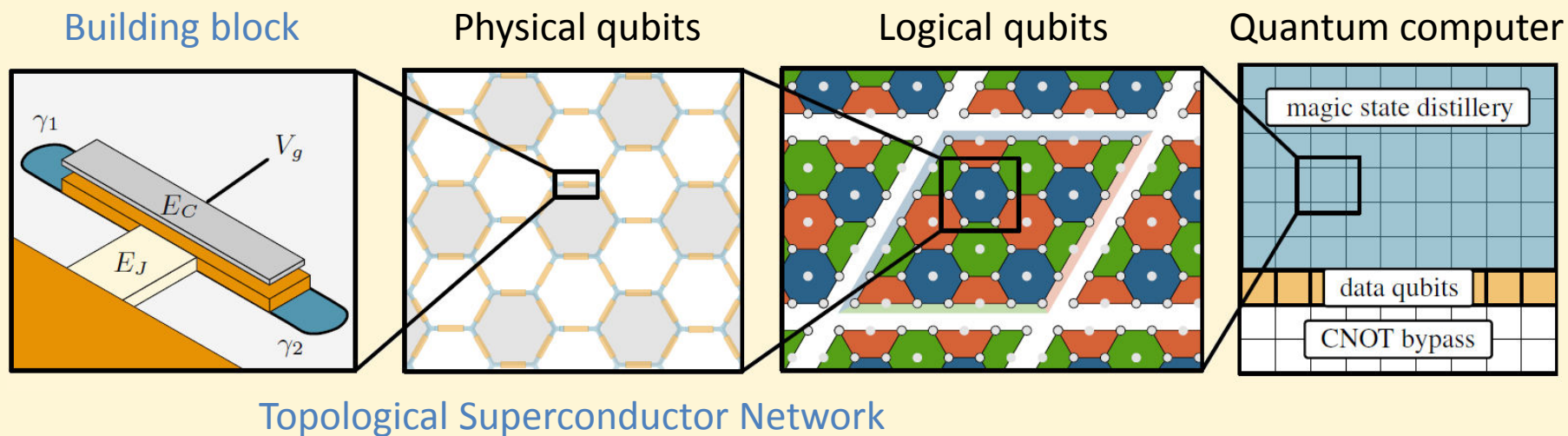




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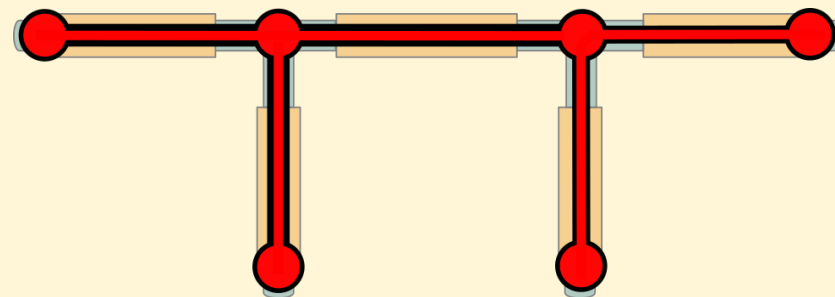
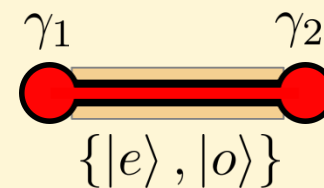
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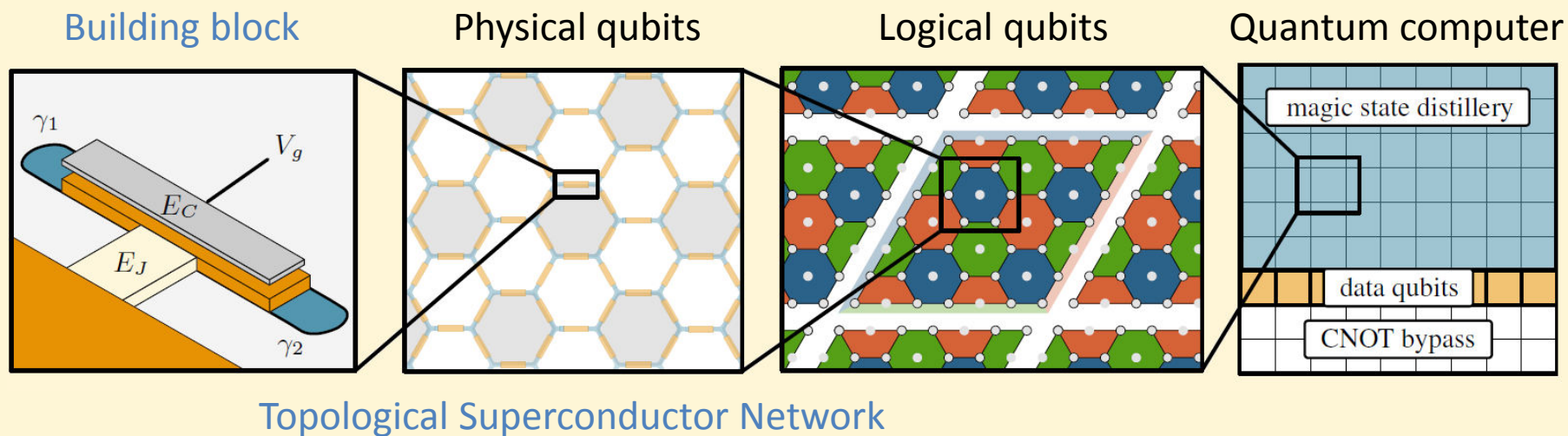




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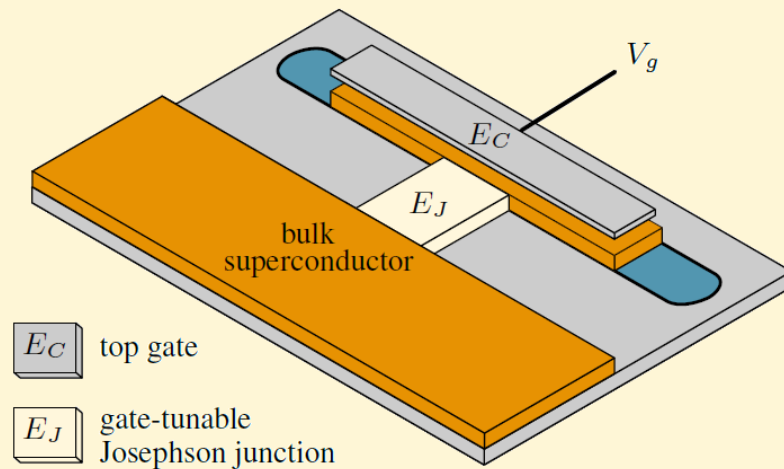


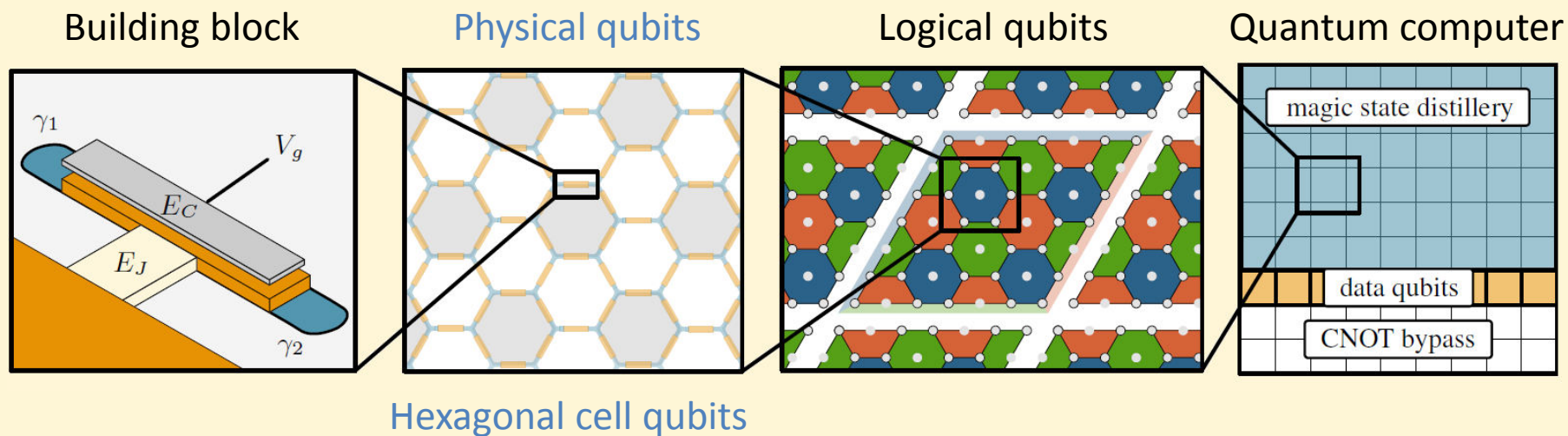


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Possible implementation *Majorana Cooper pair box*





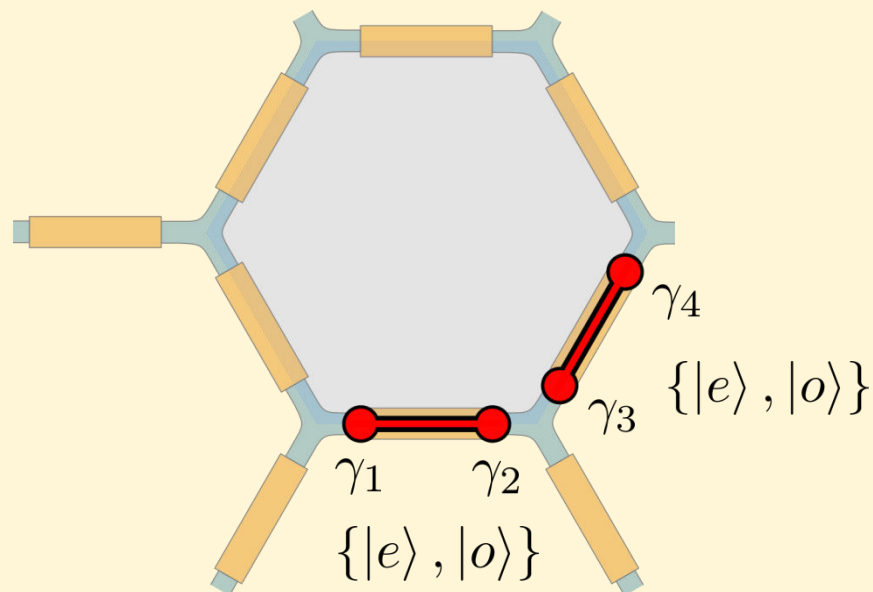
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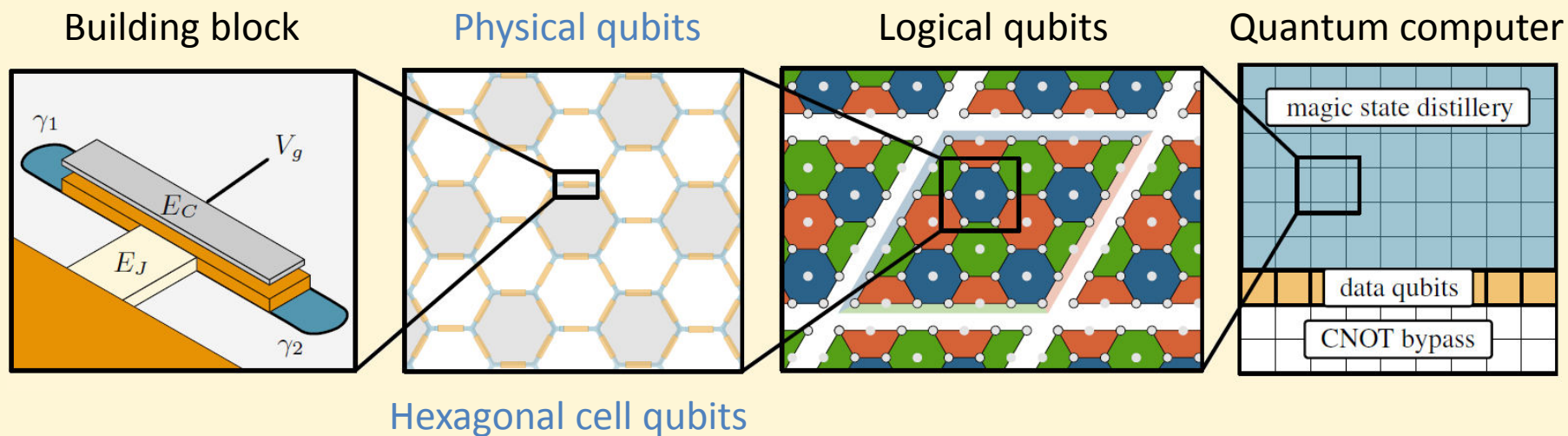
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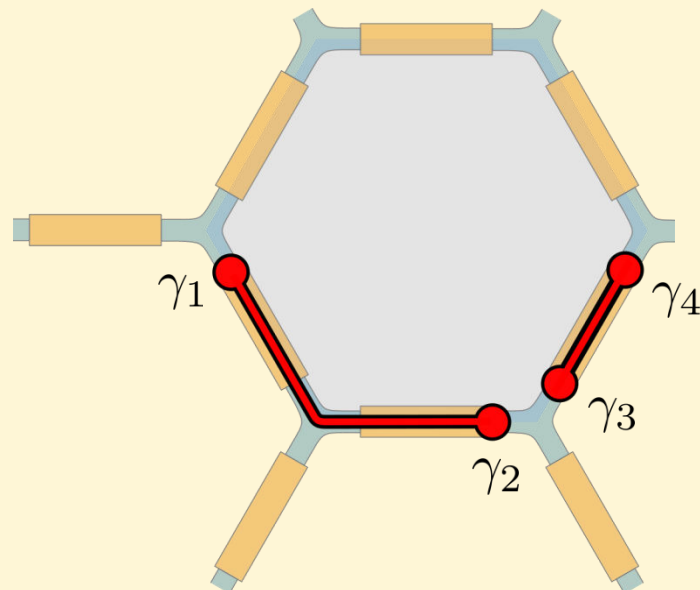
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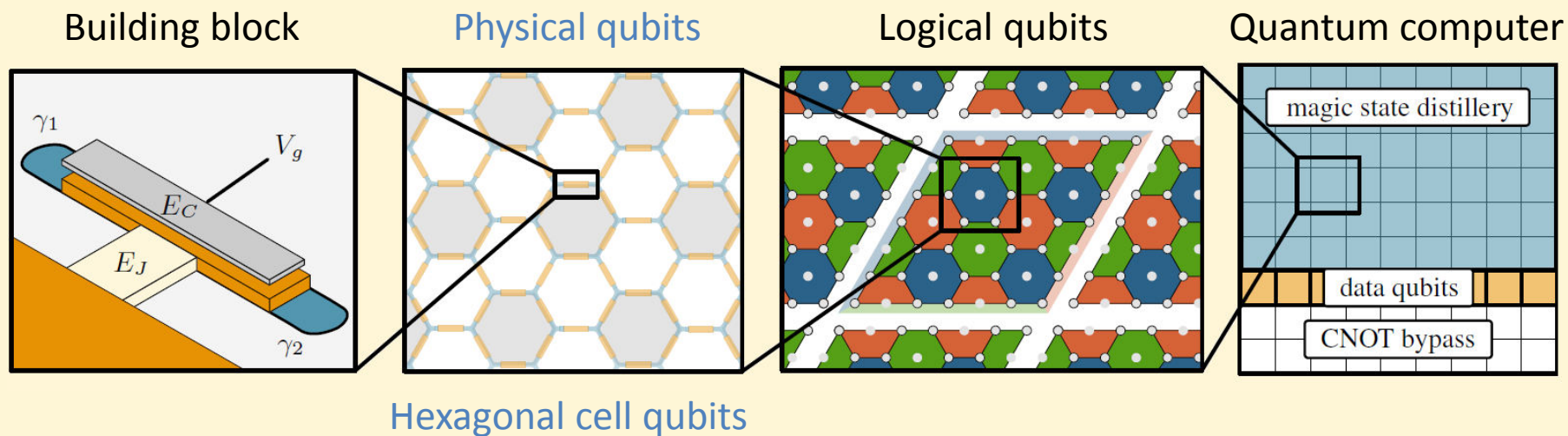
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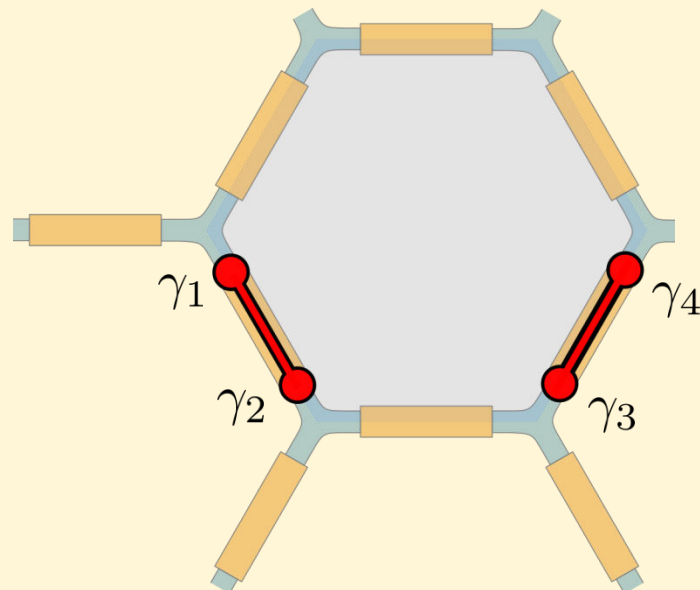
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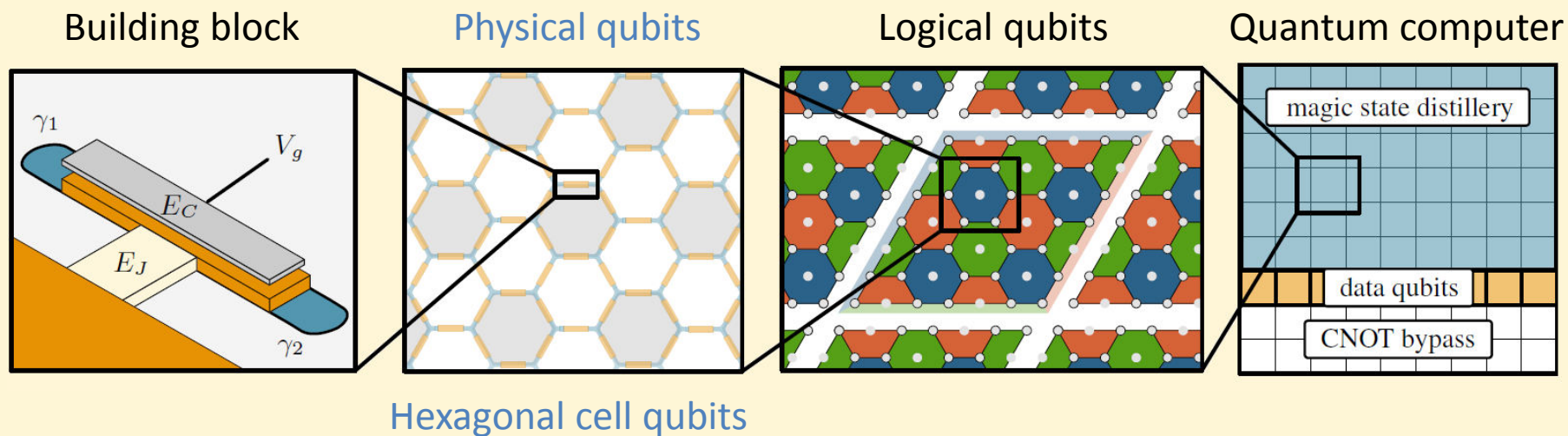
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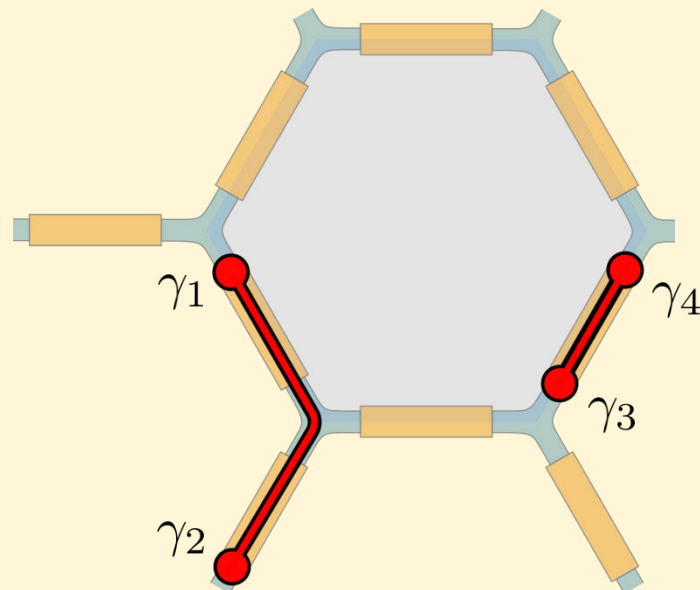
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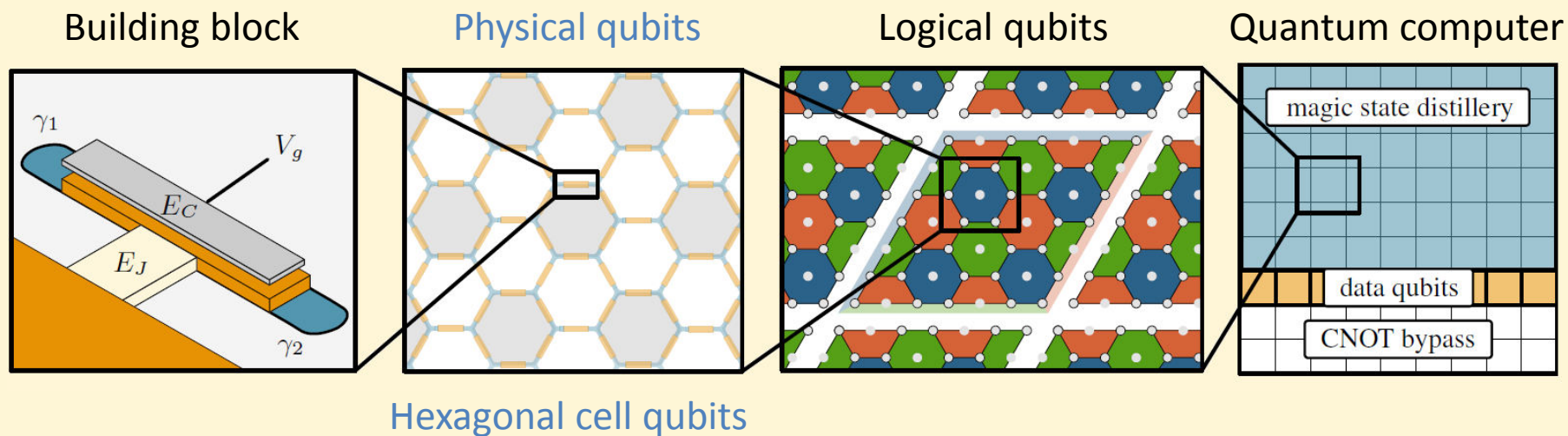
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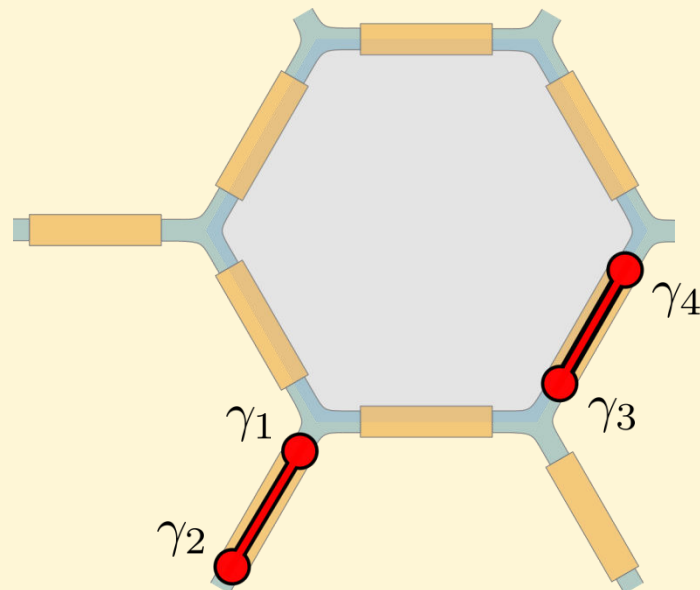
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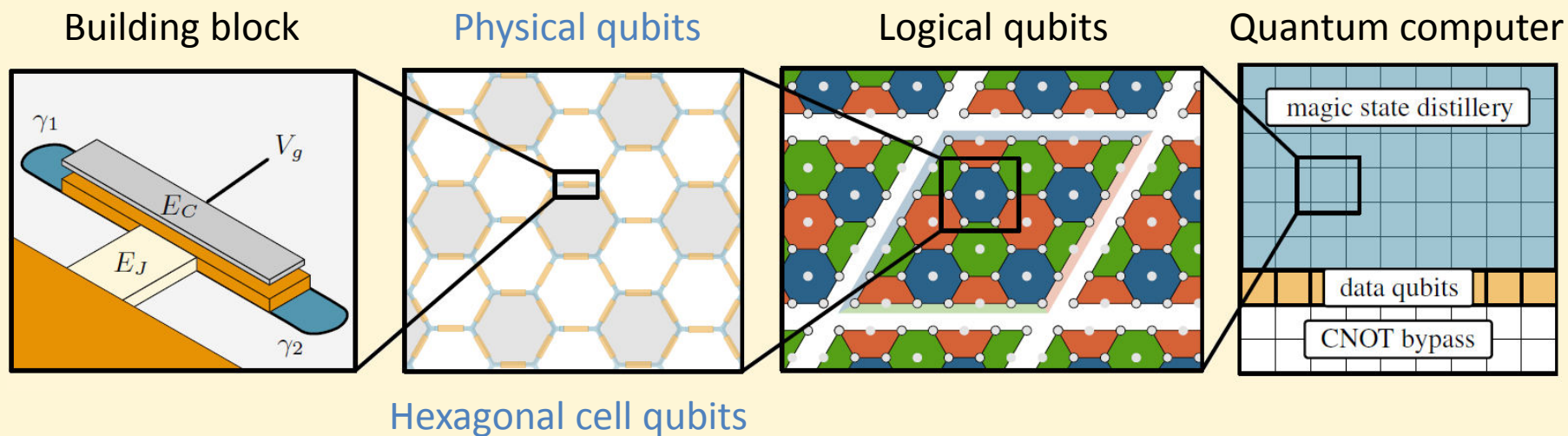
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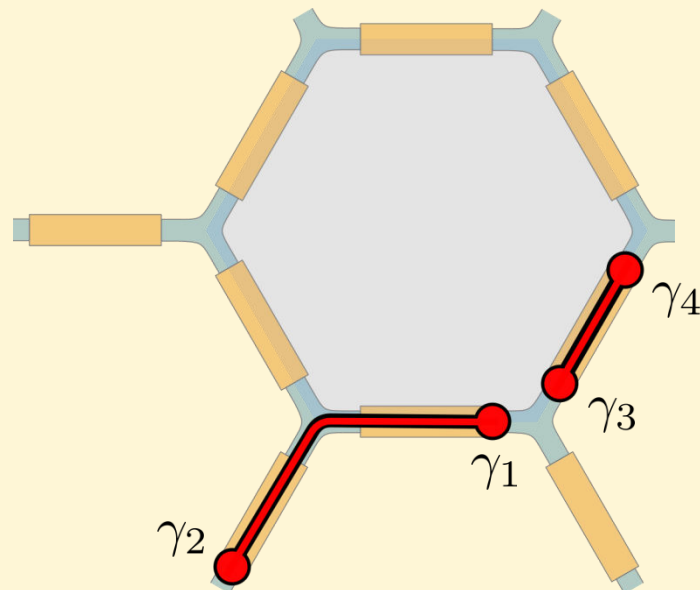
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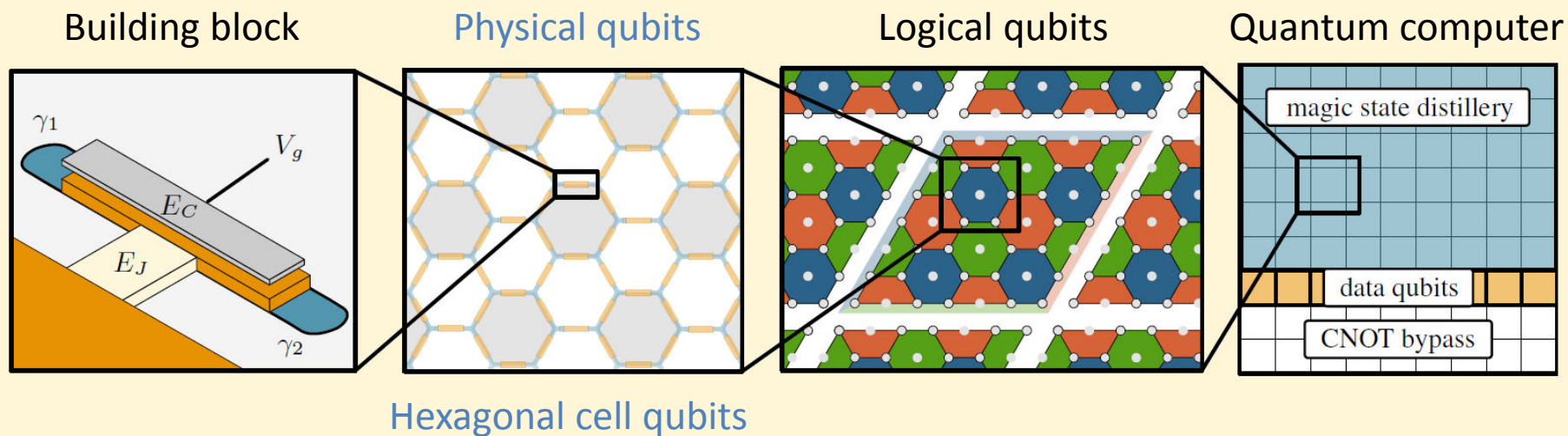
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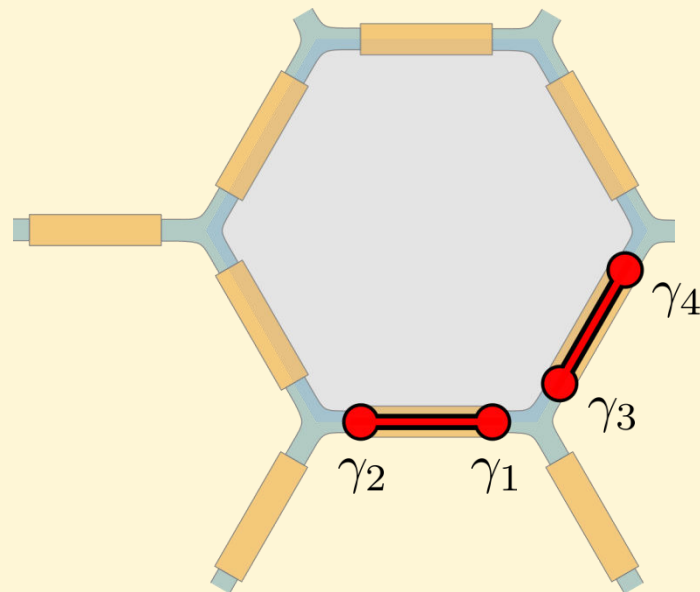
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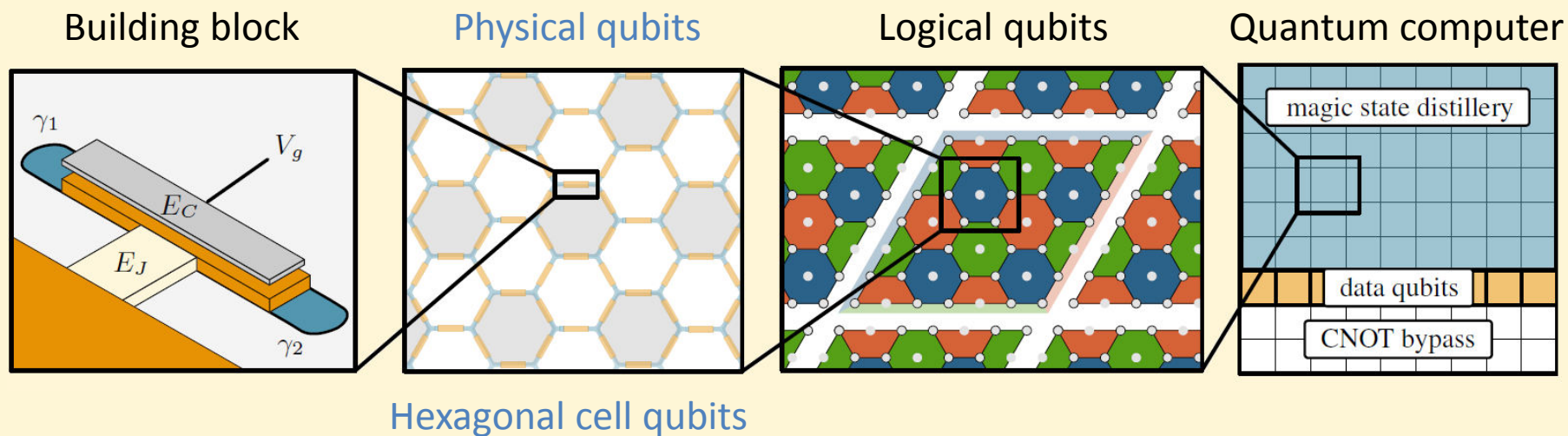
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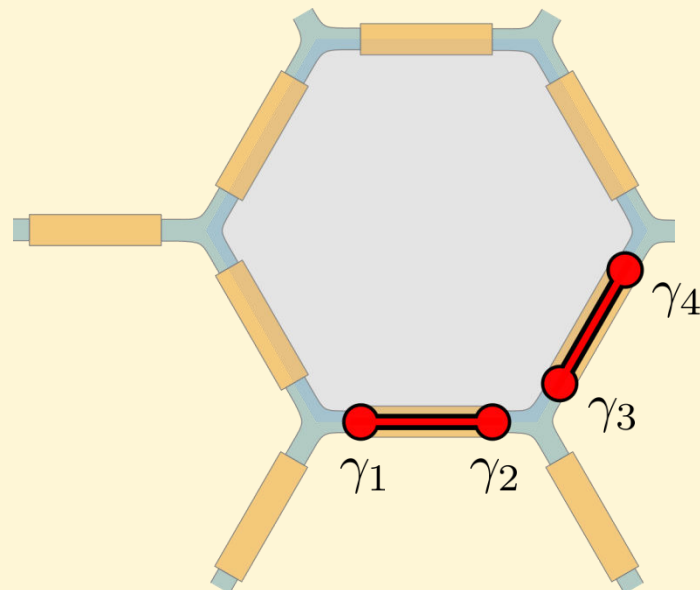
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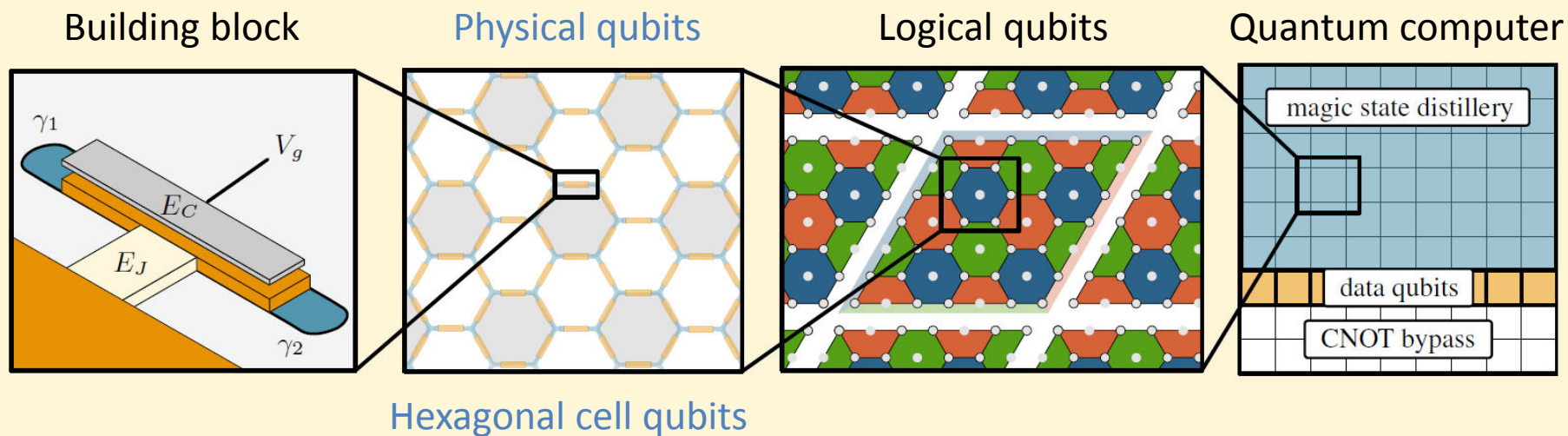
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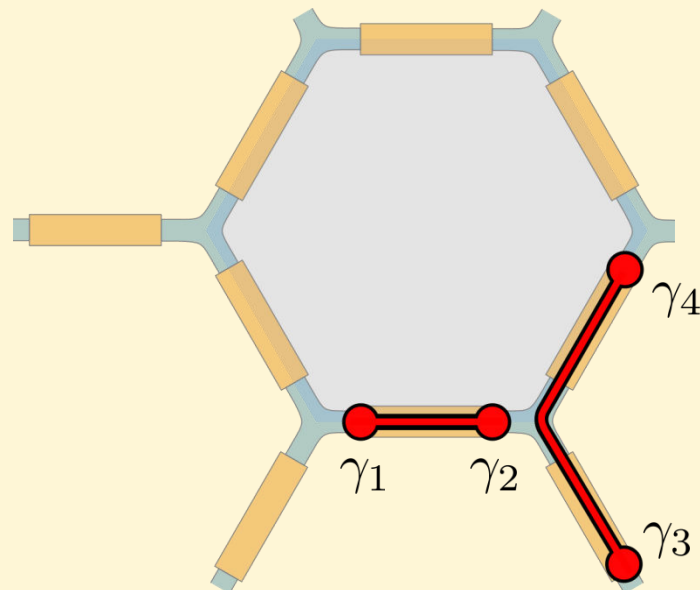
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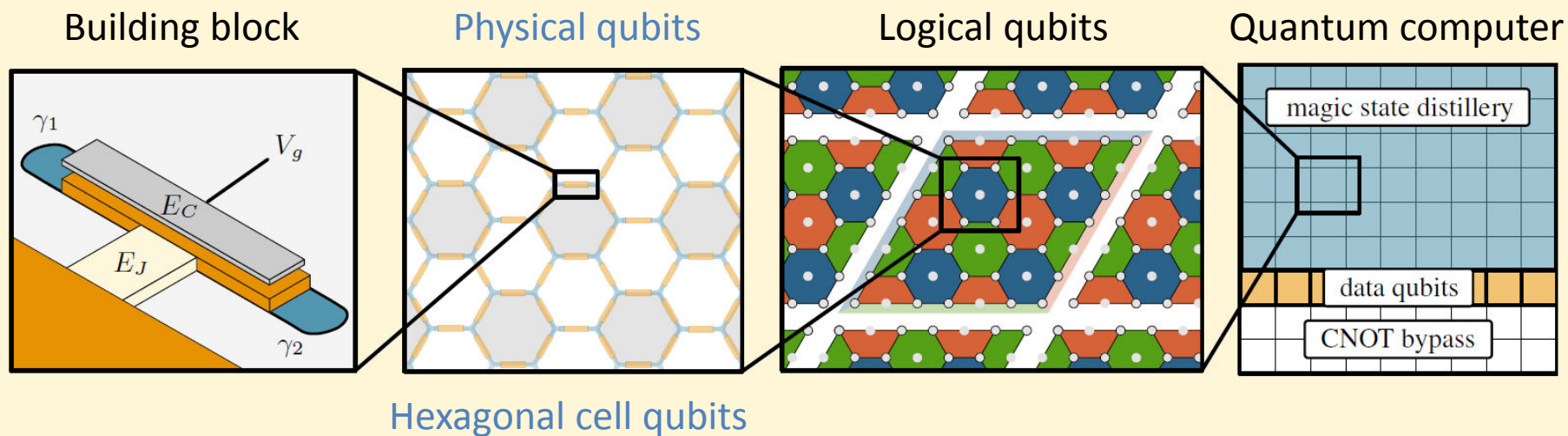
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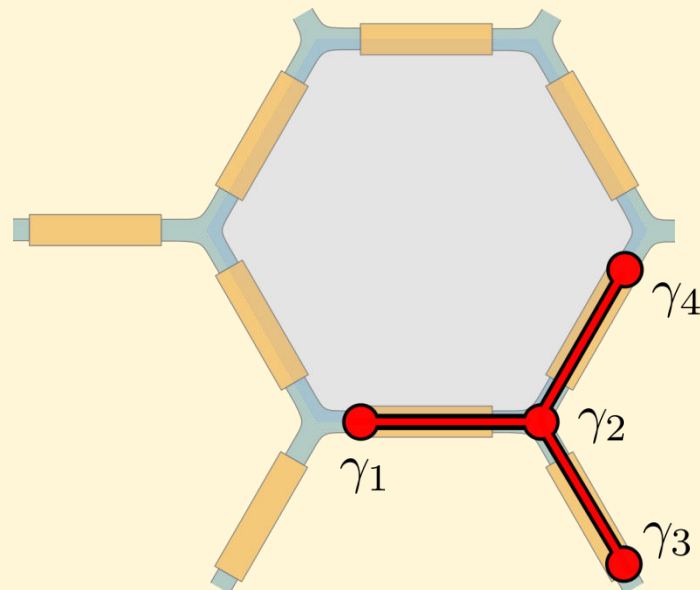
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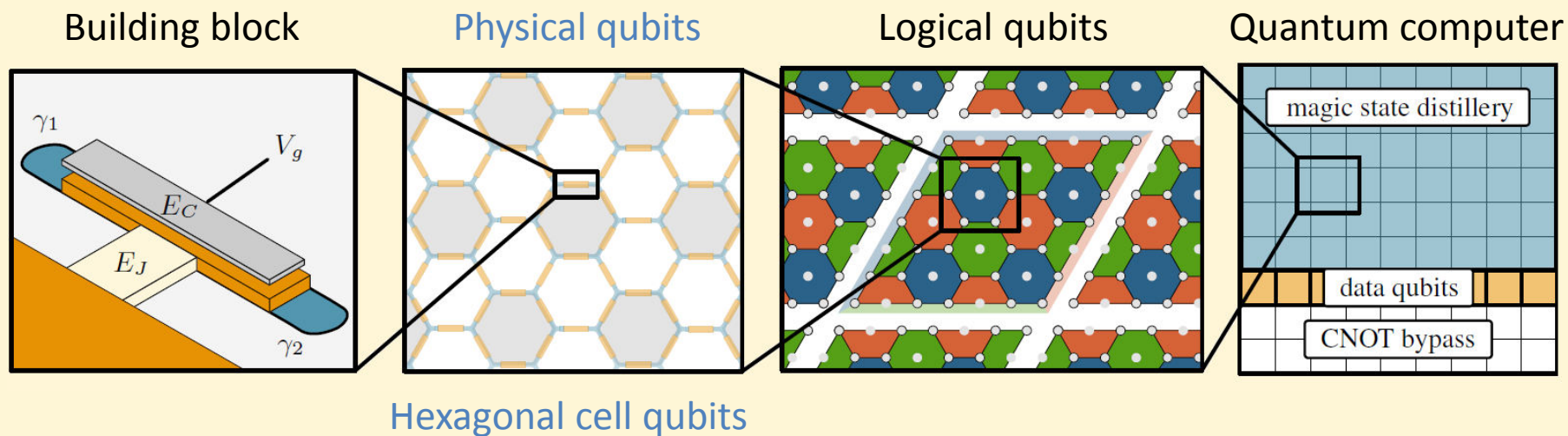
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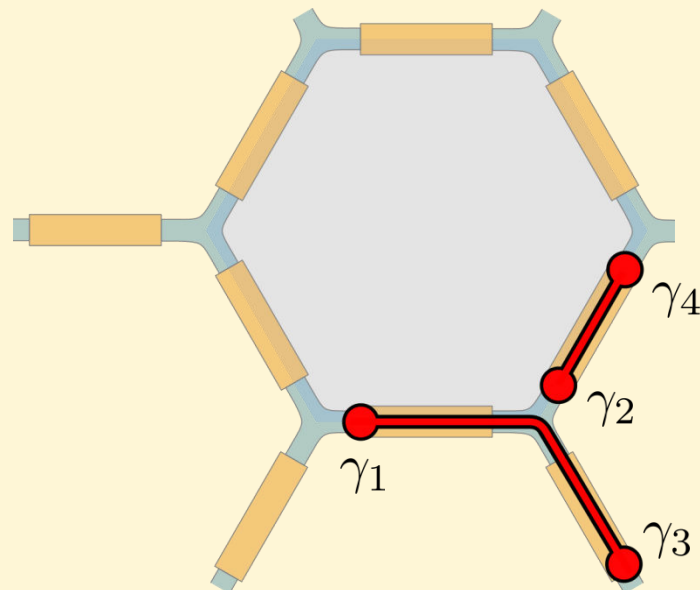
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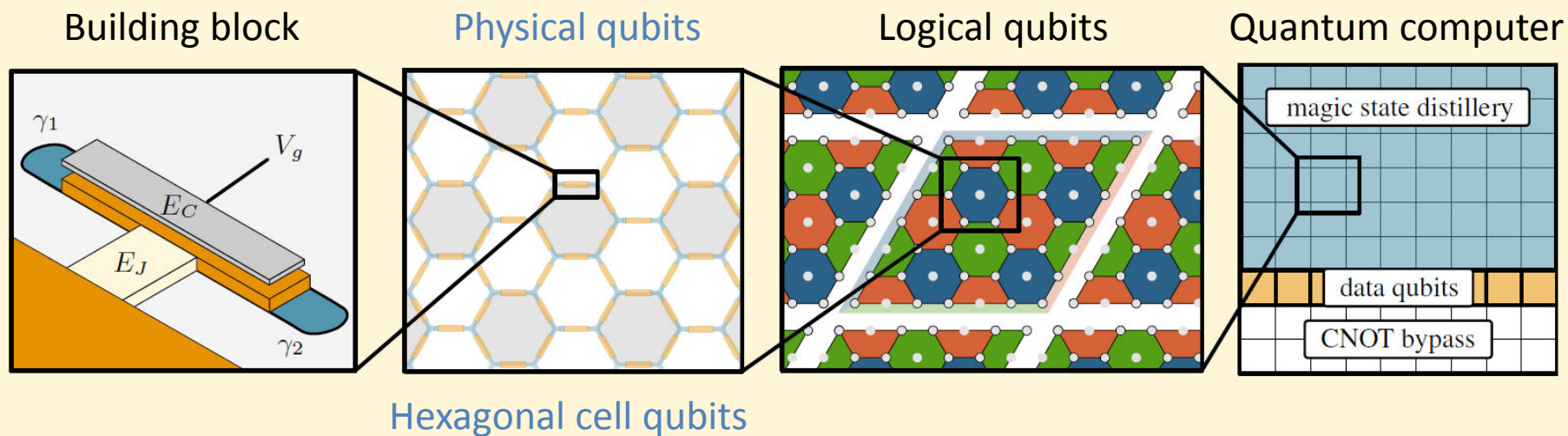
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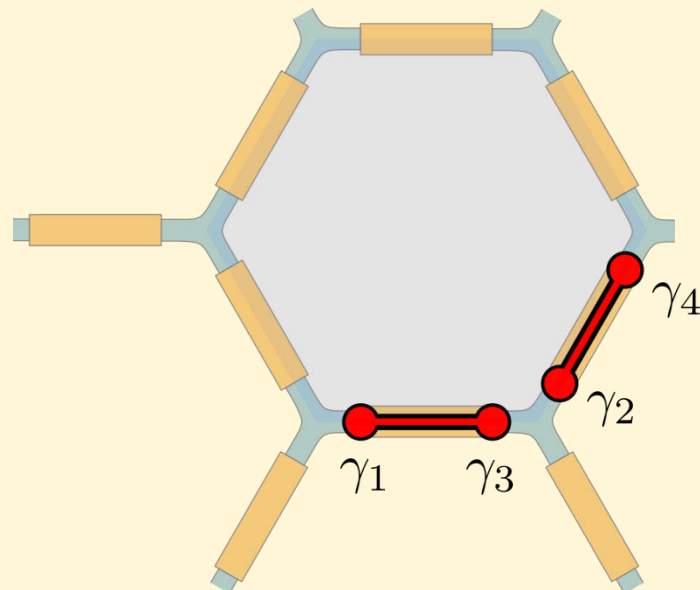
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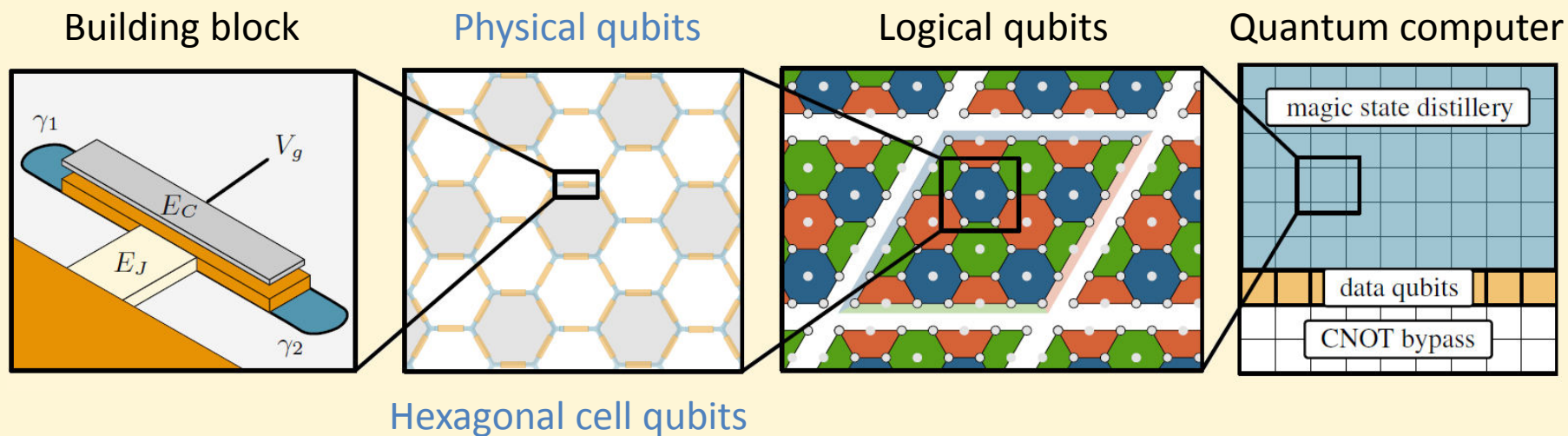
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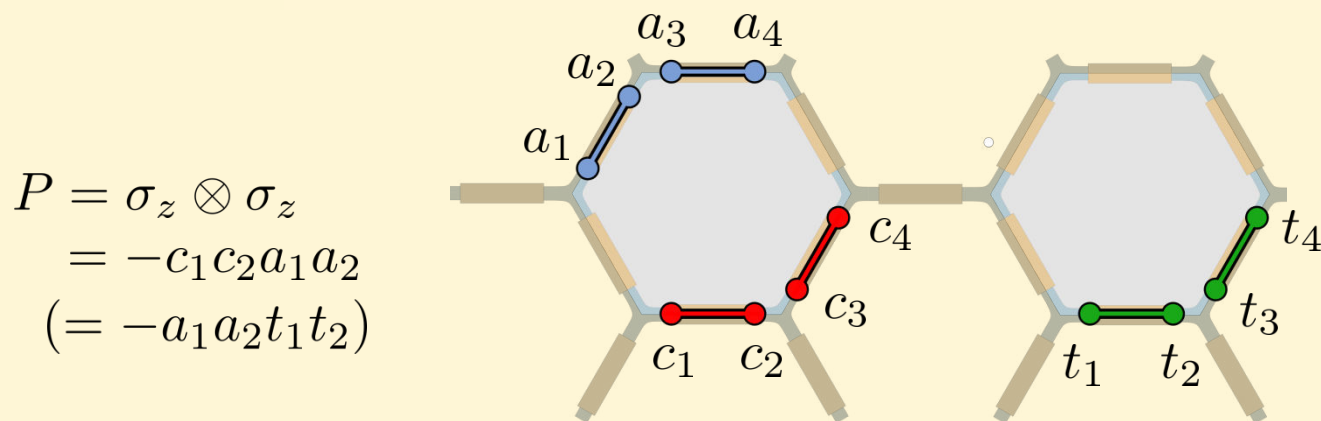
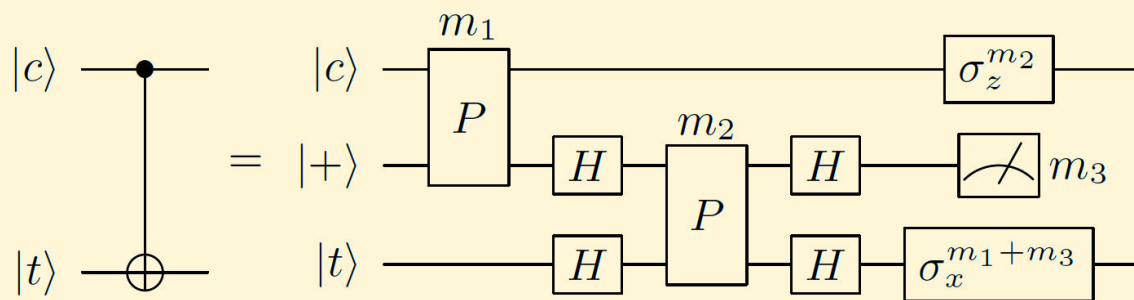
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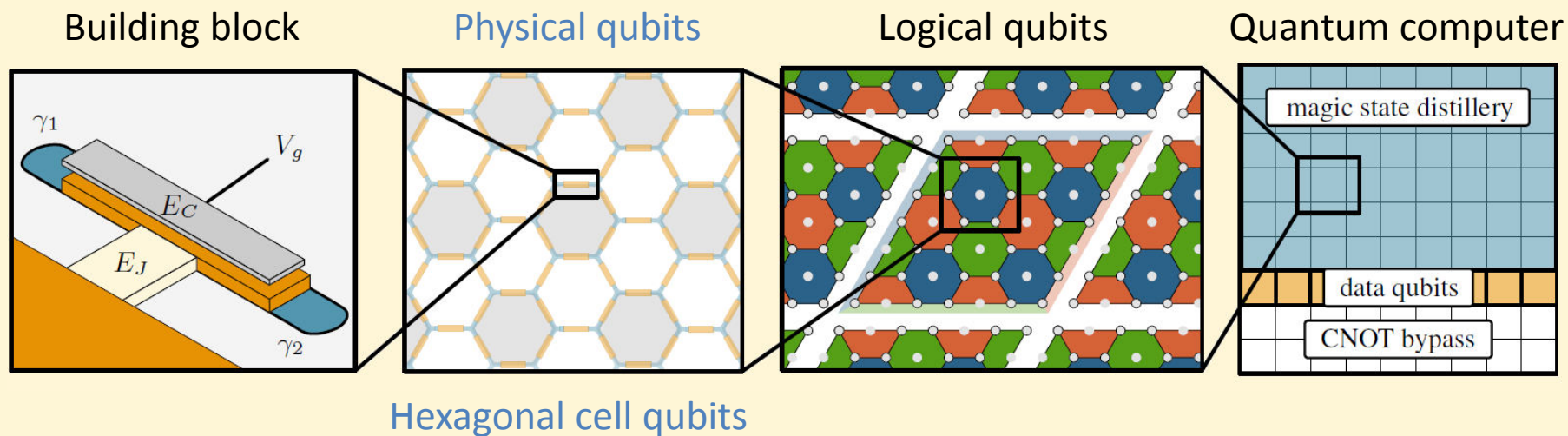
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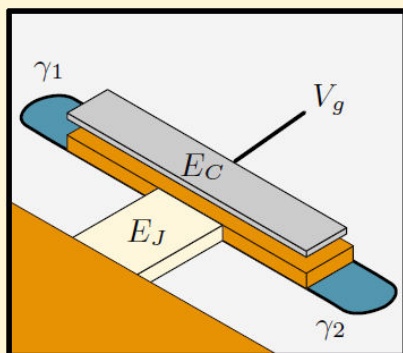
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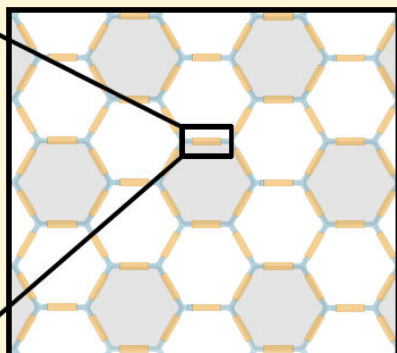
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$$\Delta Et \stackrel{!}{=} \pi/4$$

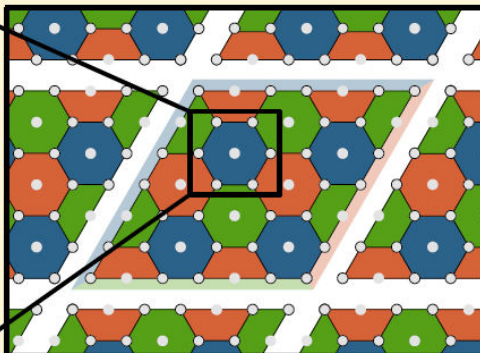
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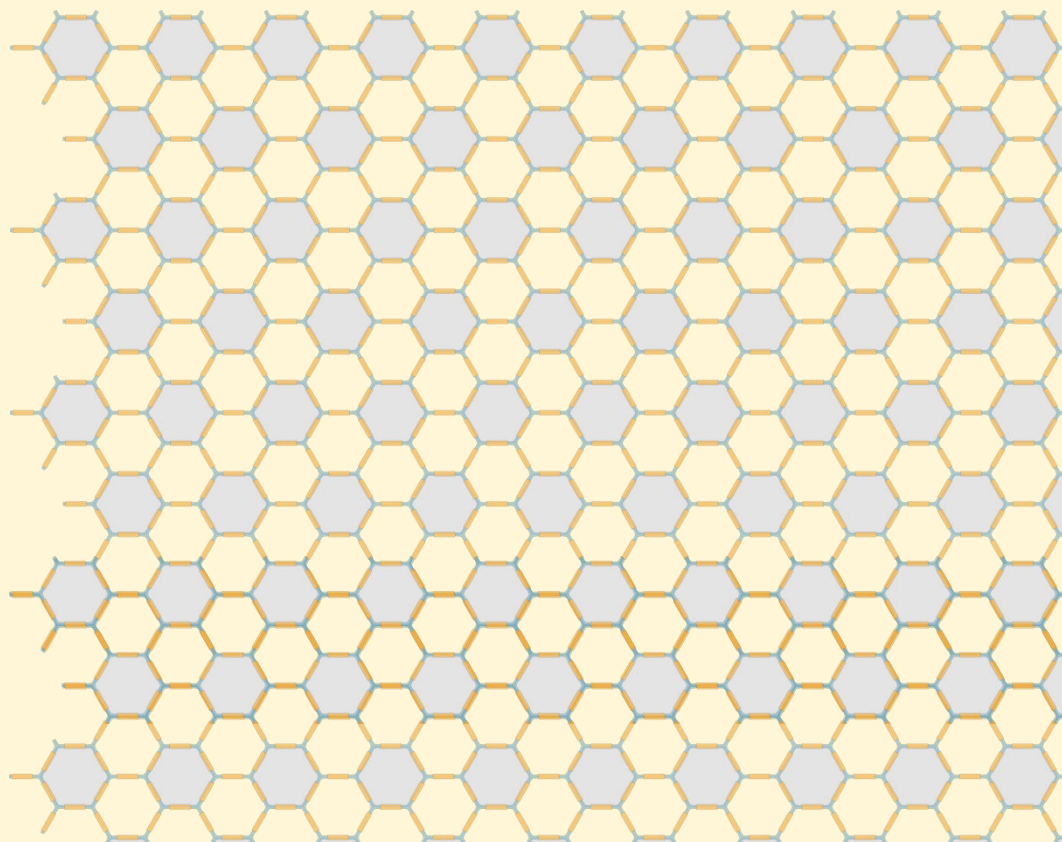
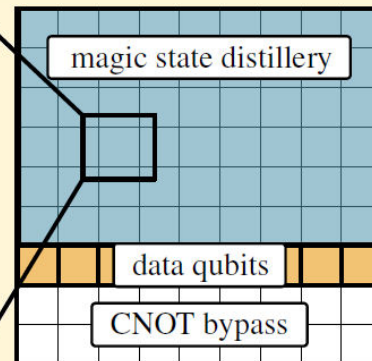


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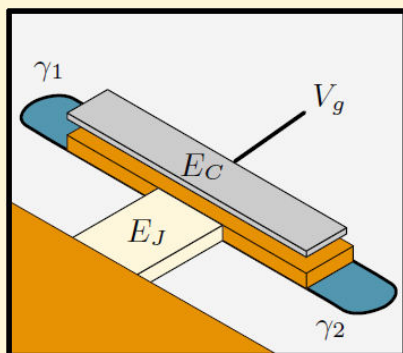


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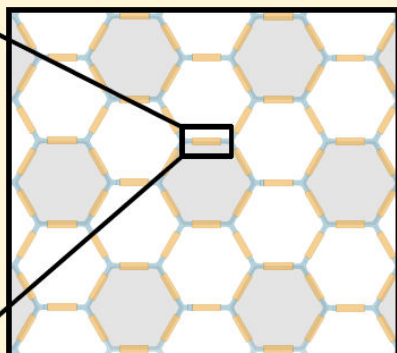
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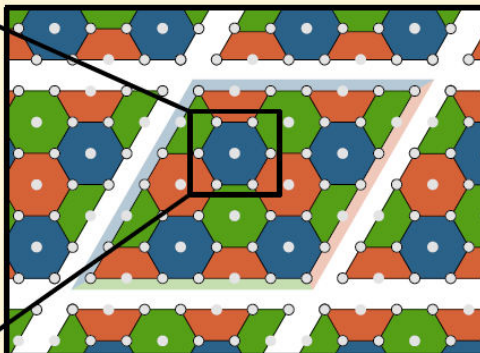
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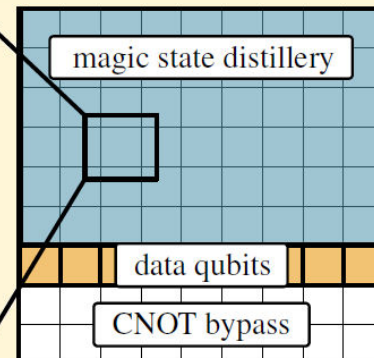
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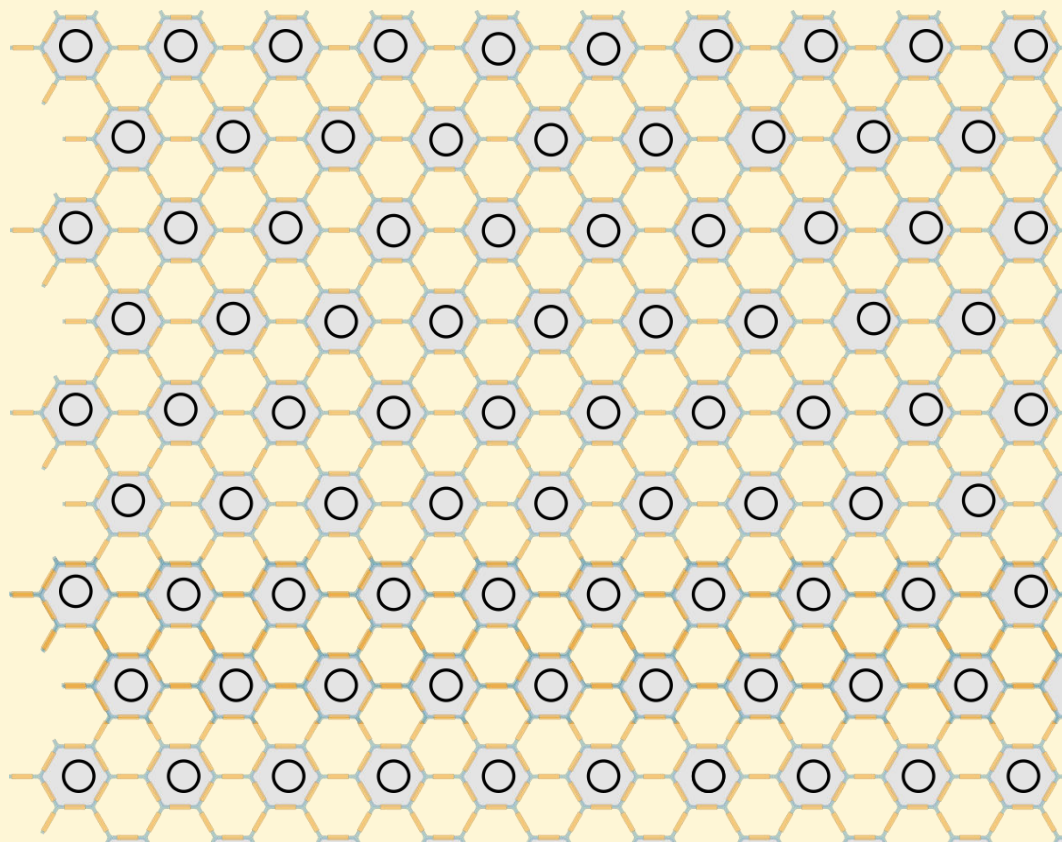
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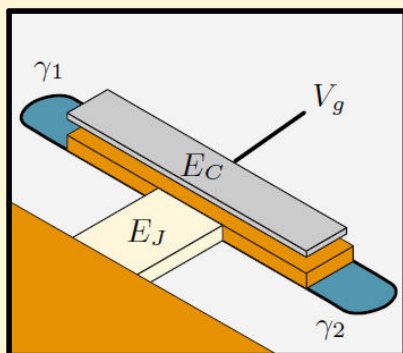
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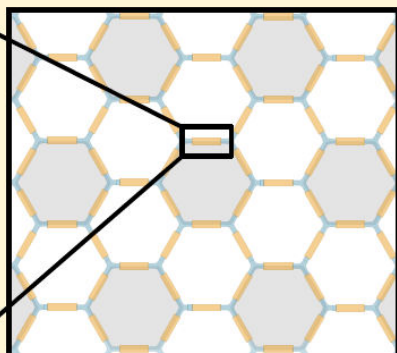
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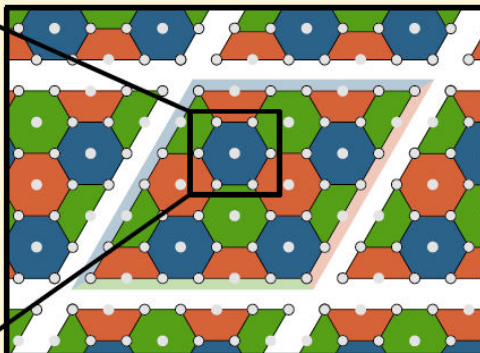
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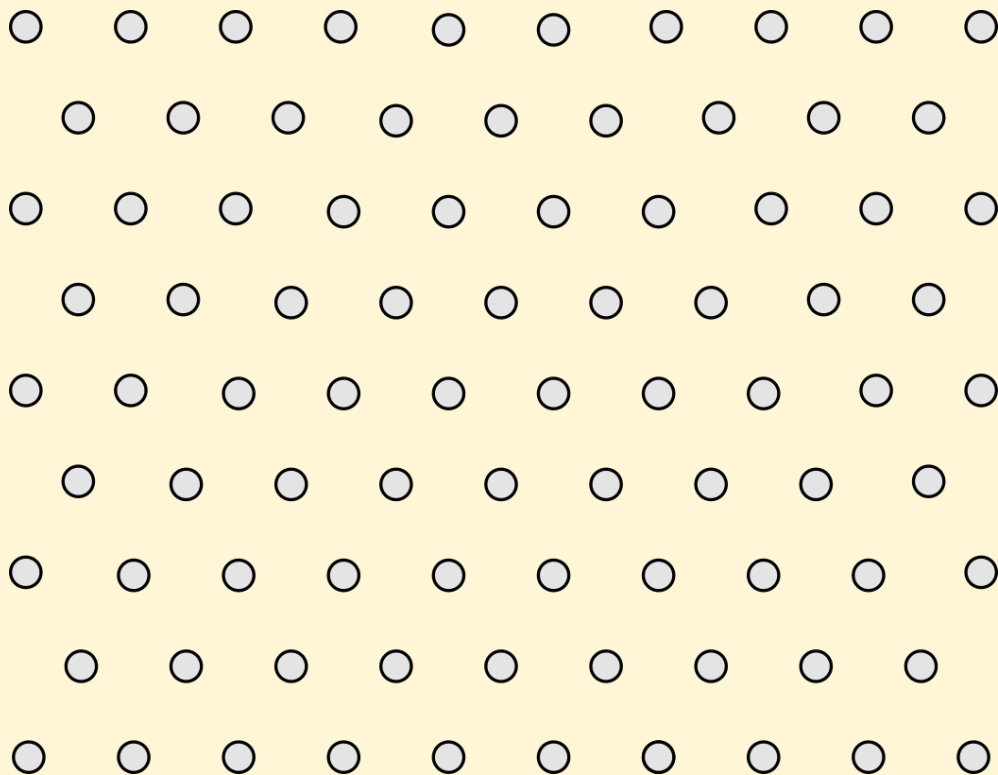
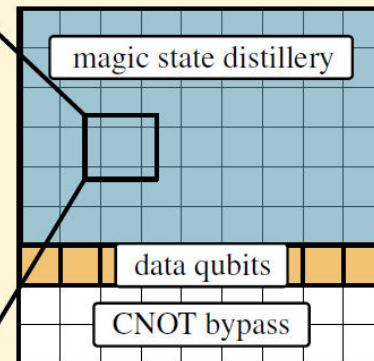


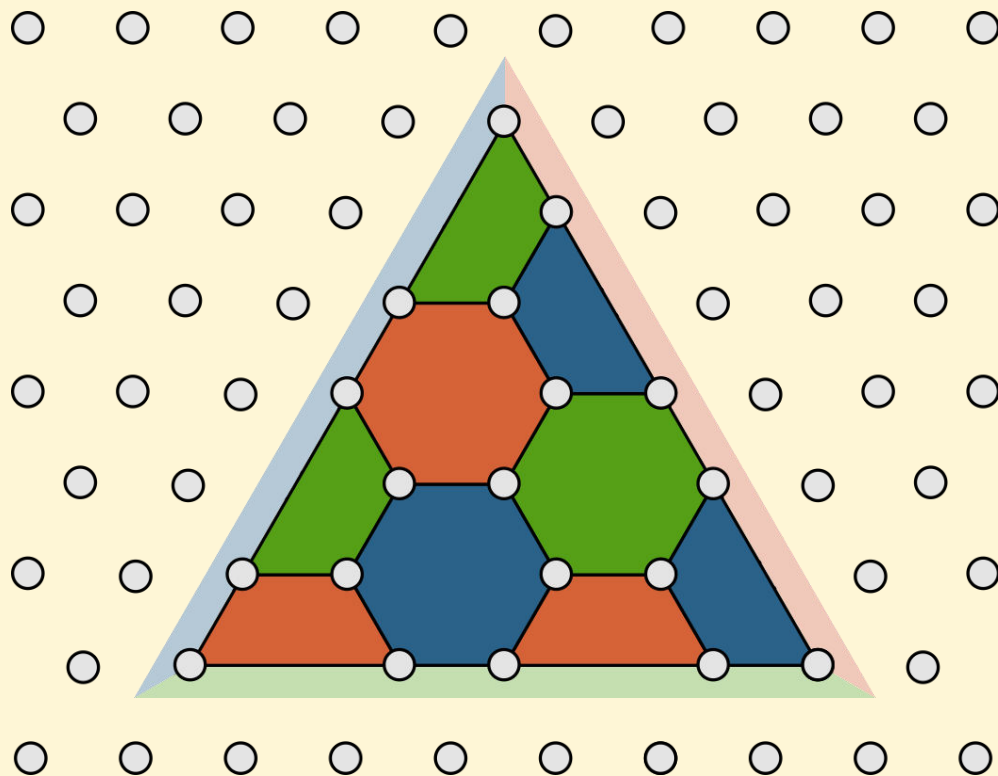
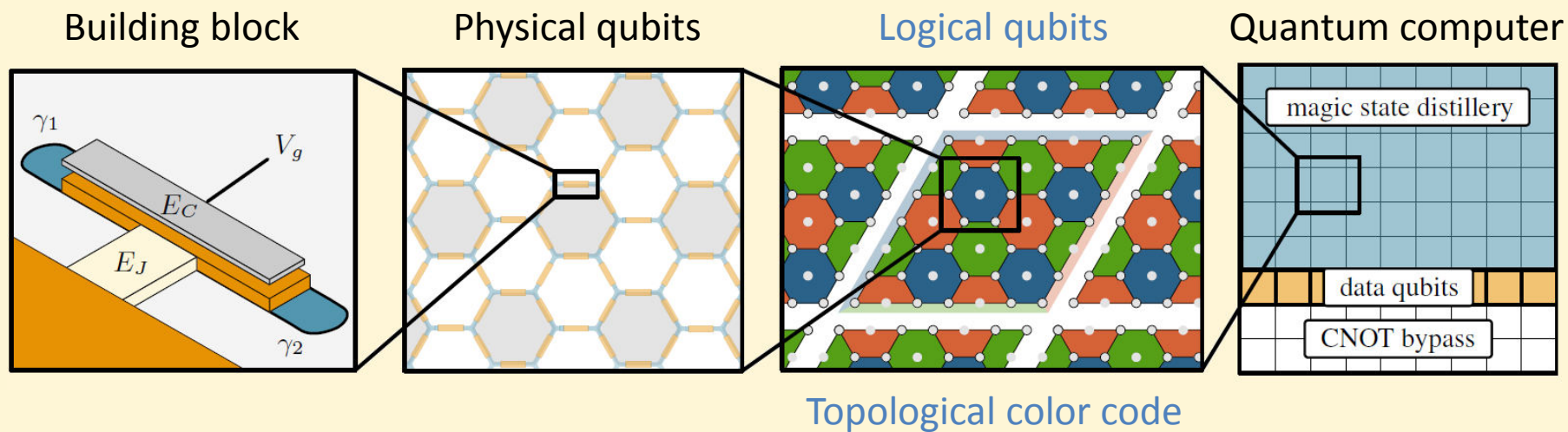
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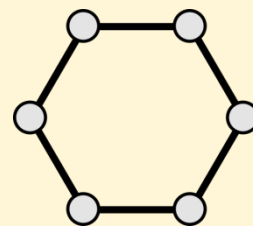
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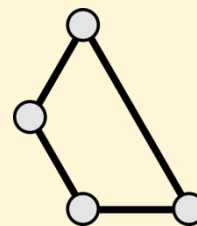


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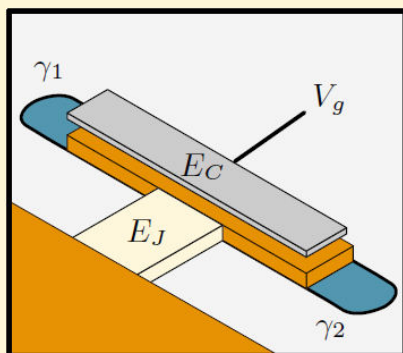
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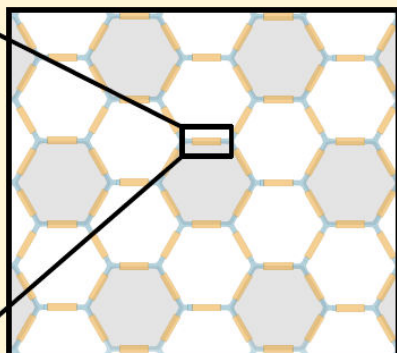
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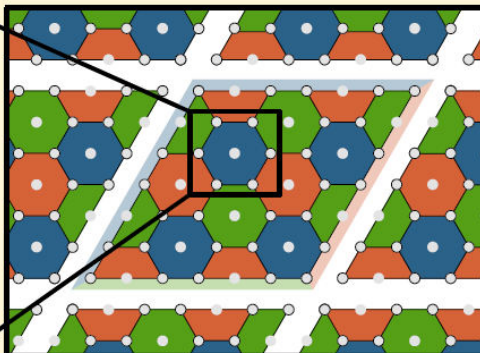
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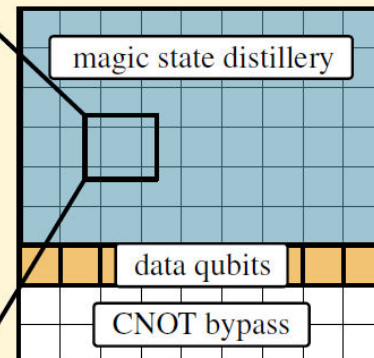


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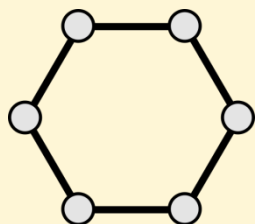
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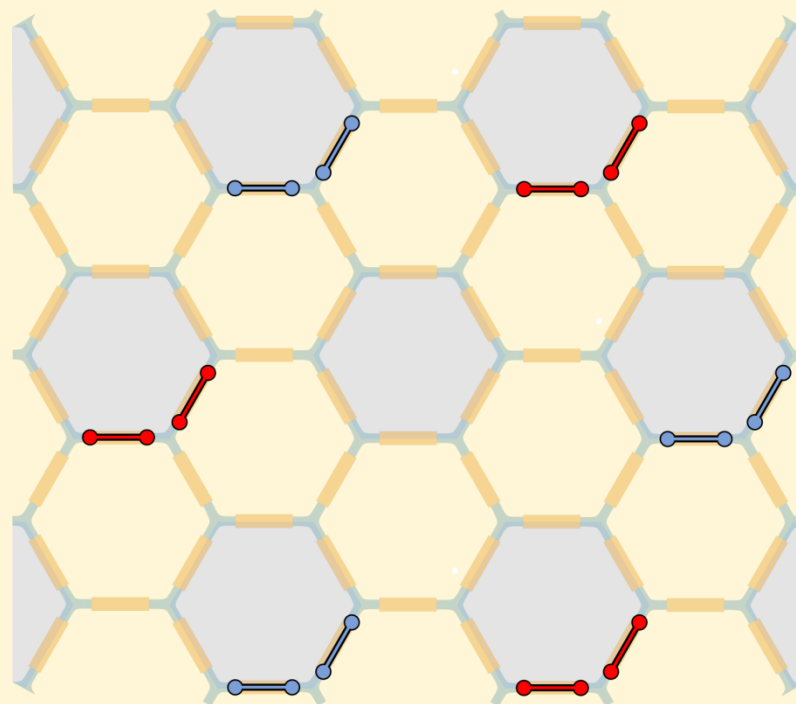
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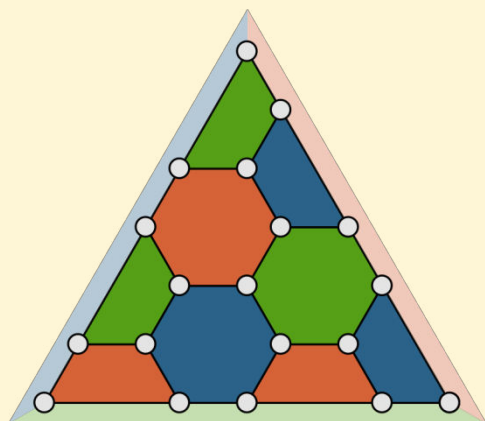
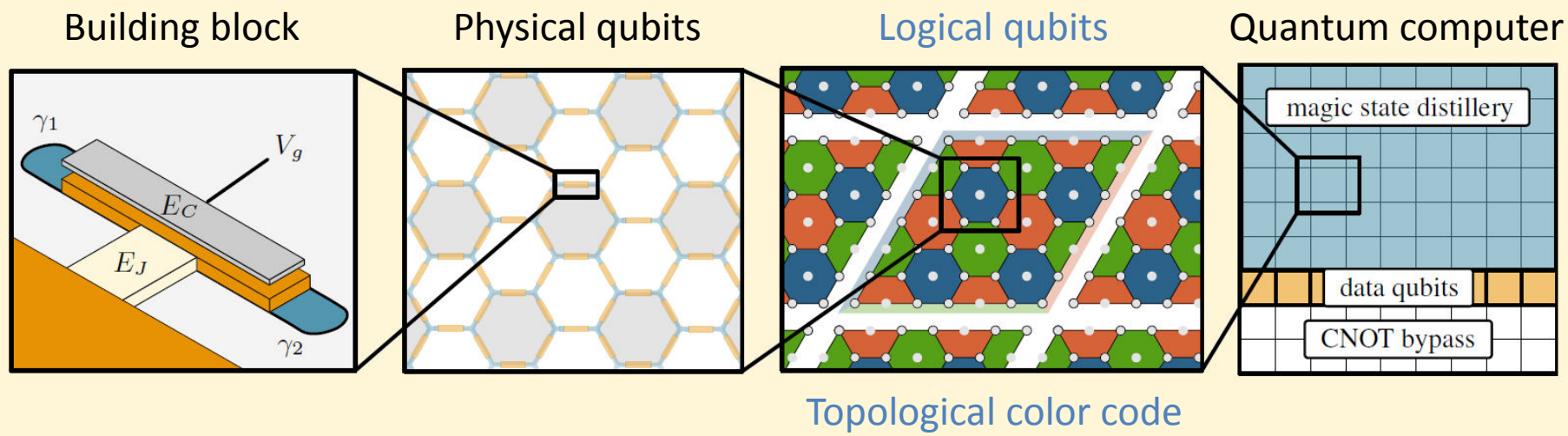
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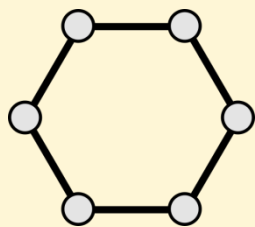
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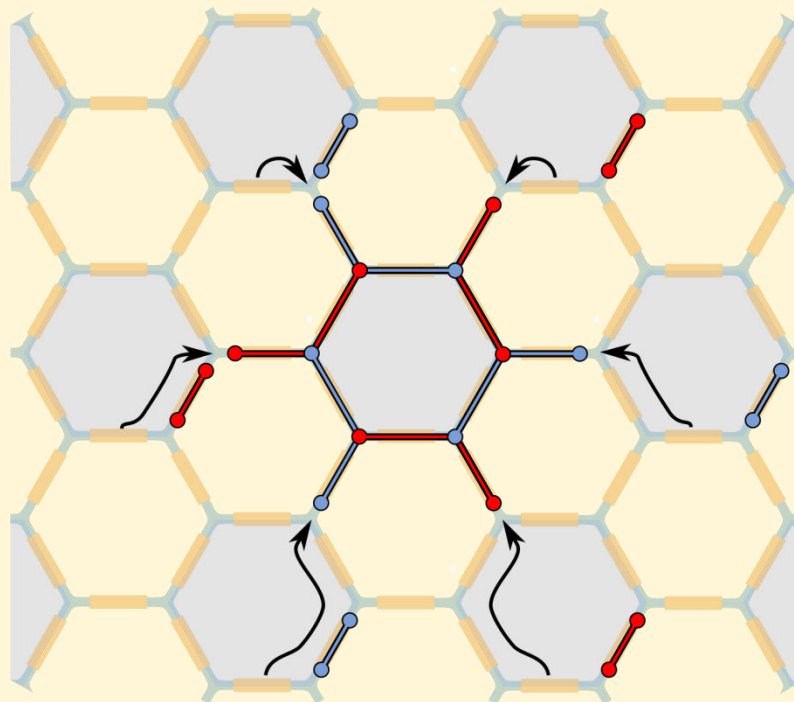


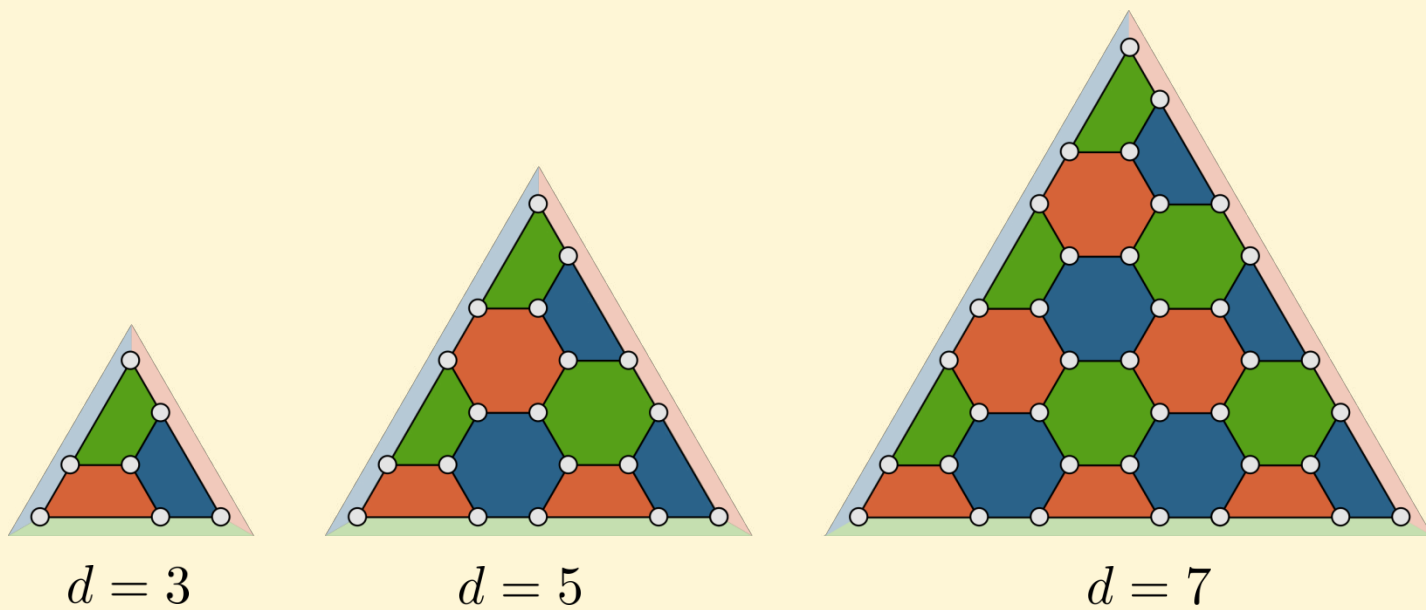
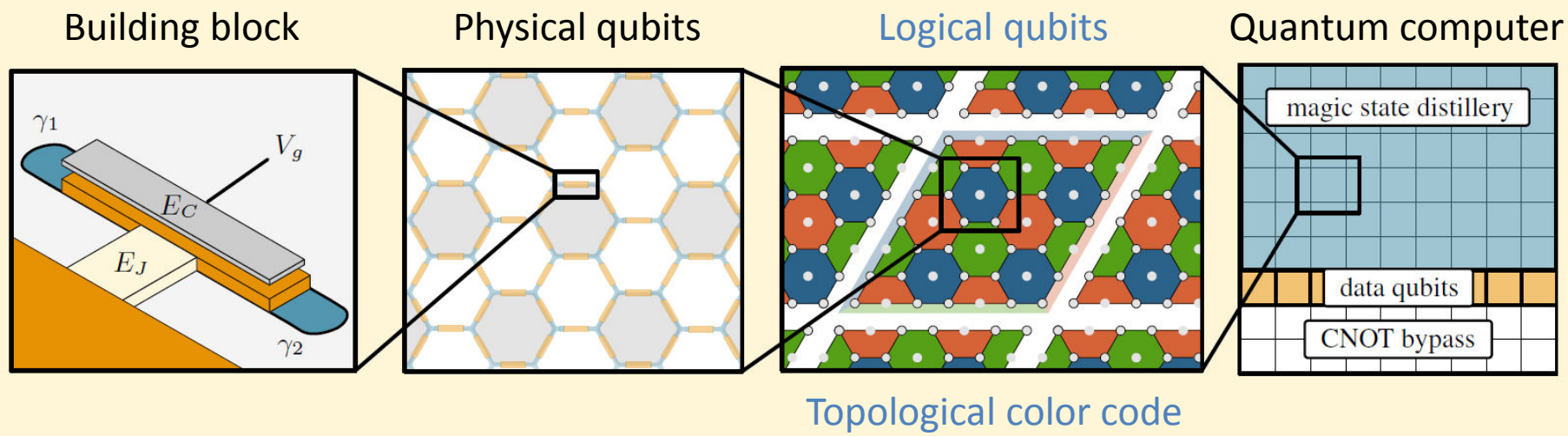
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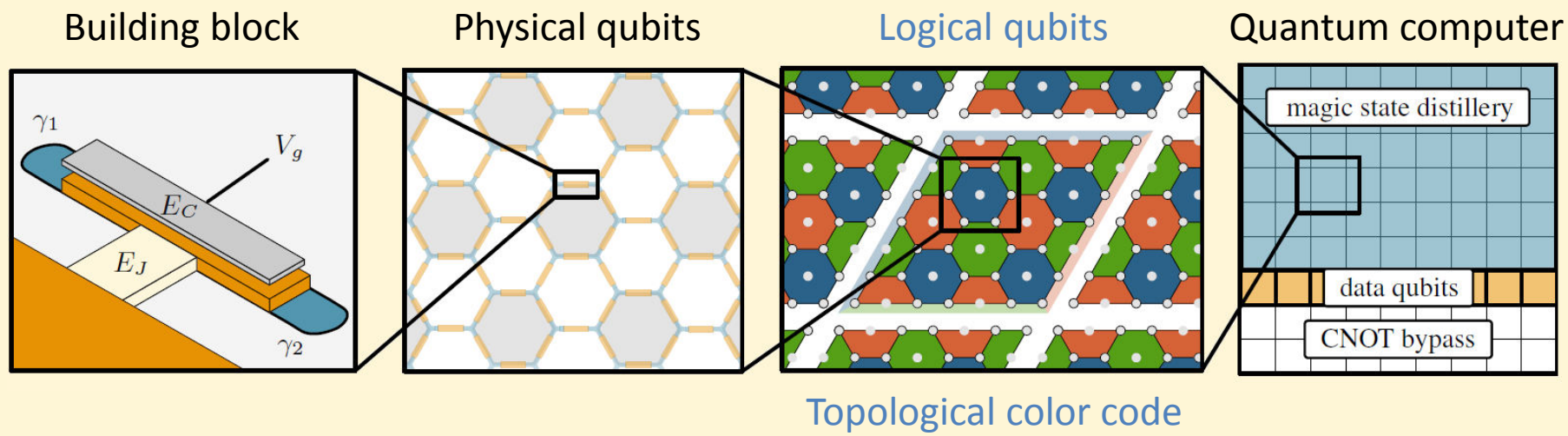
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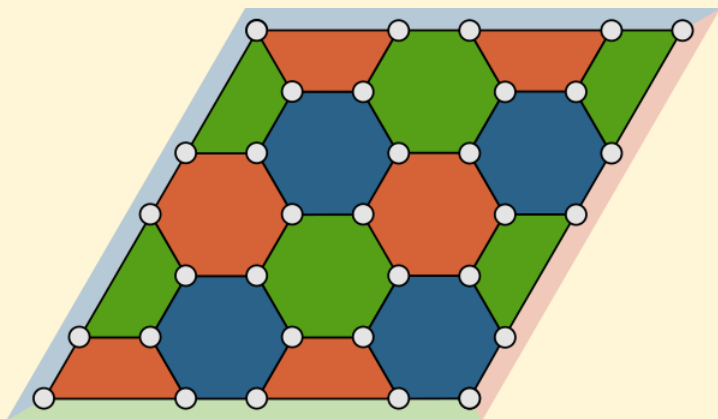
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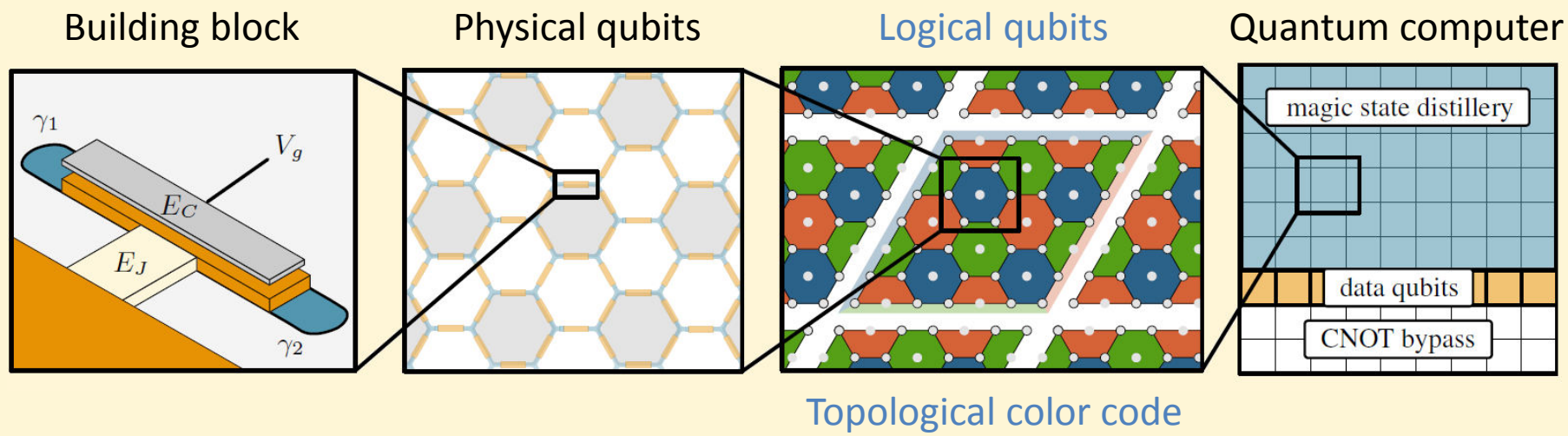


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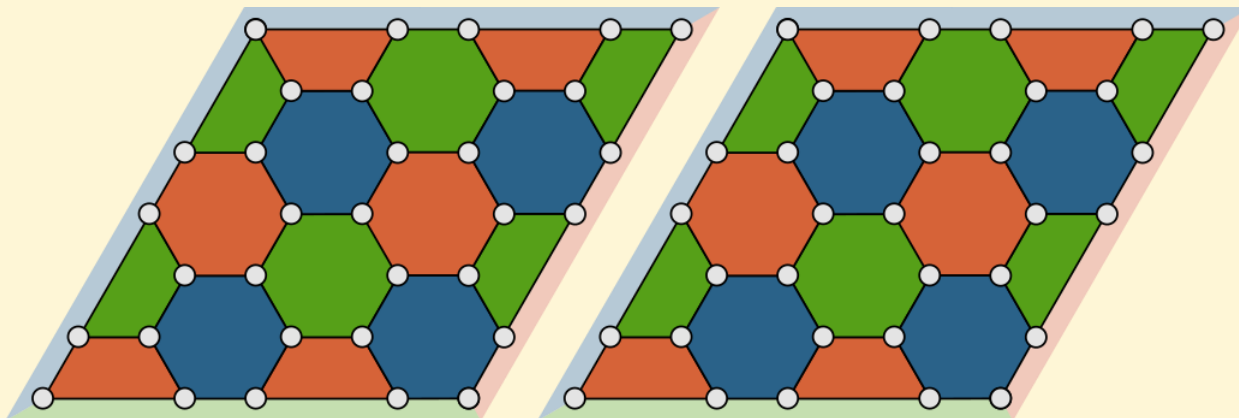


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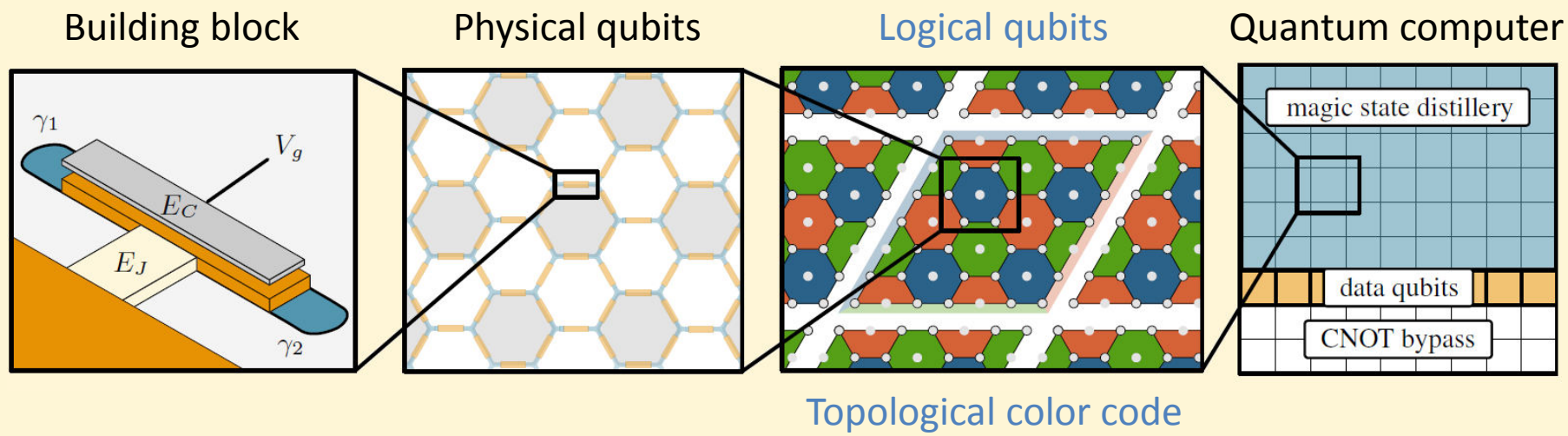
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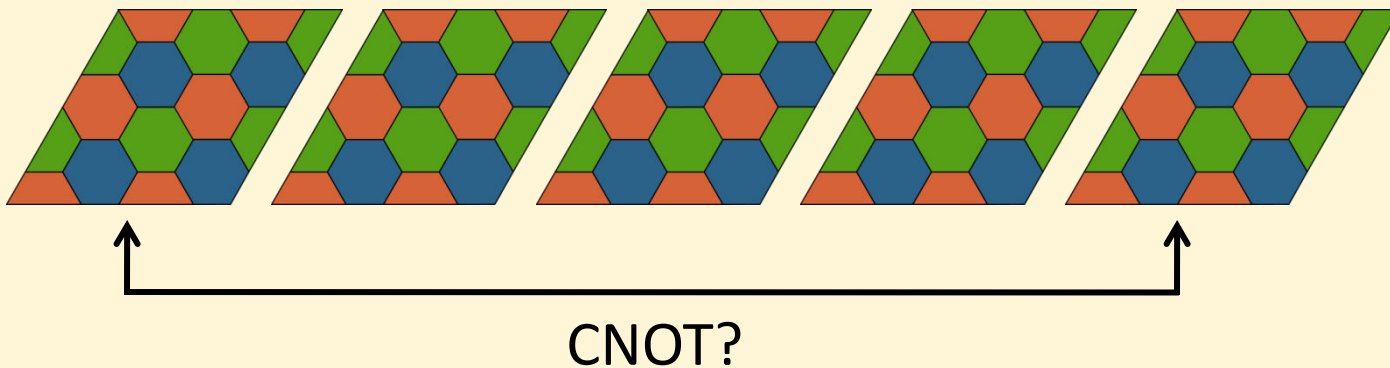
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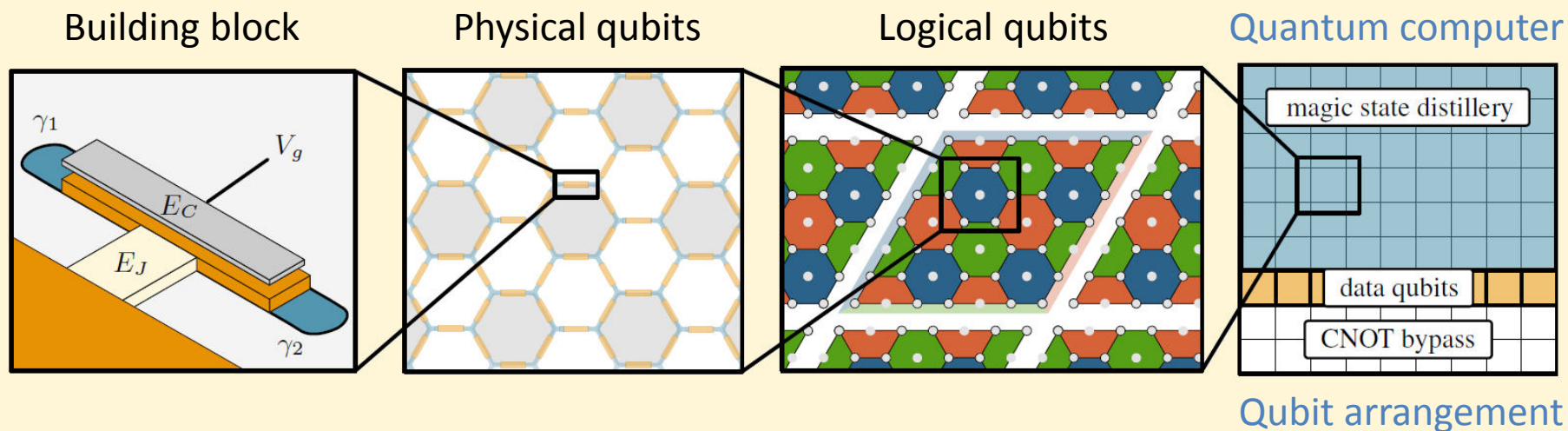


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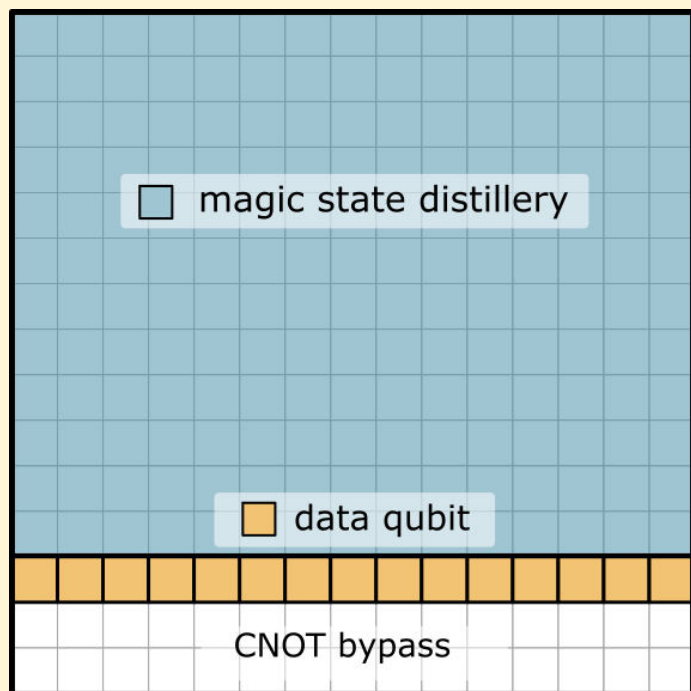


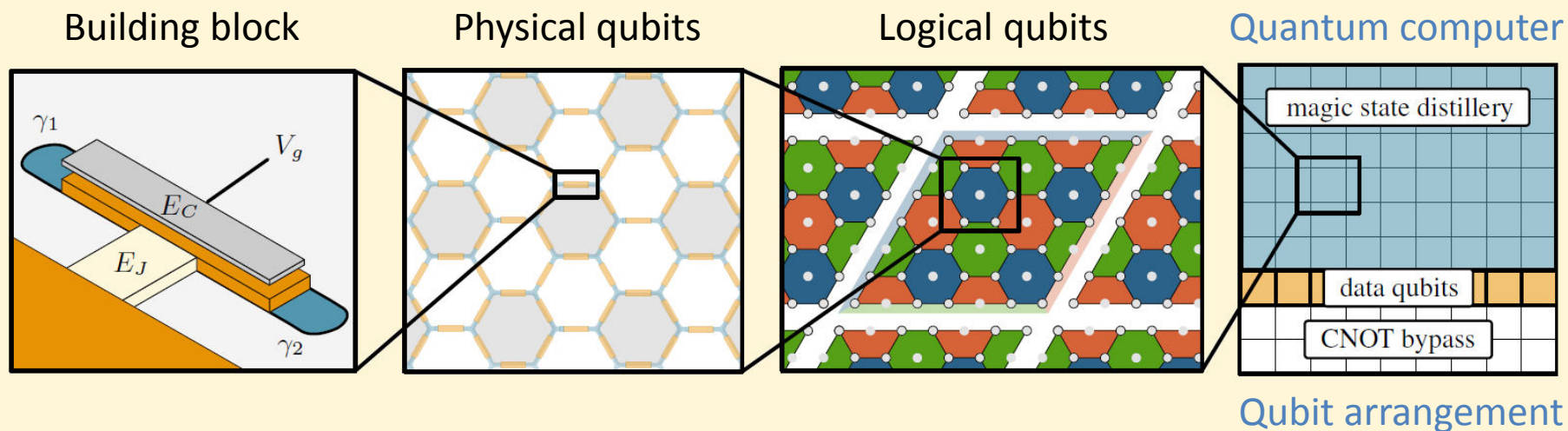
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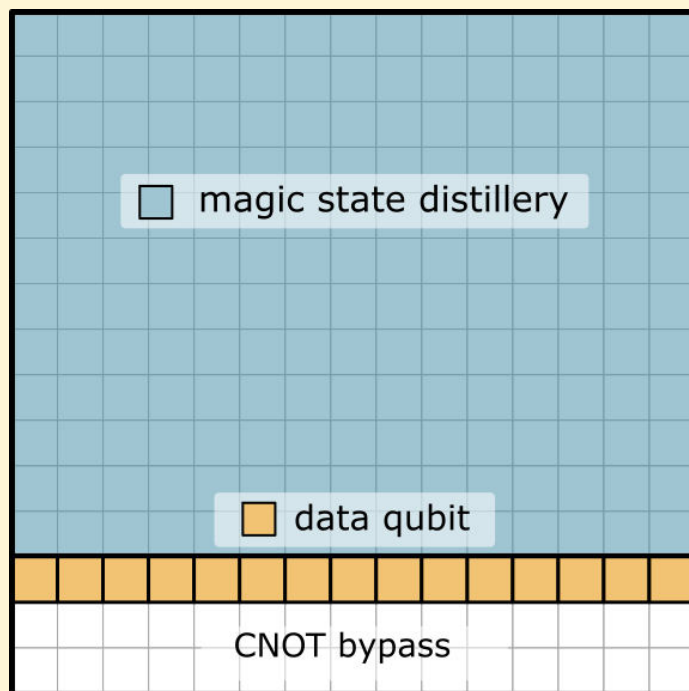


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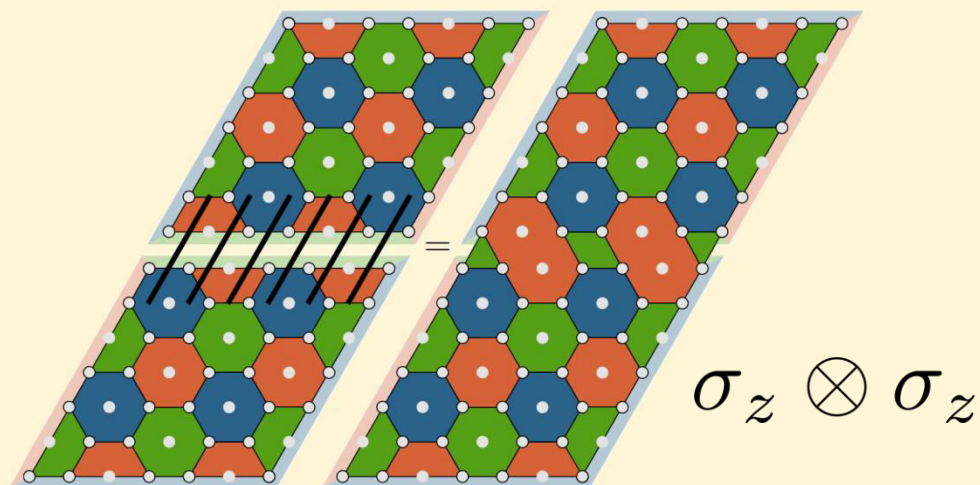


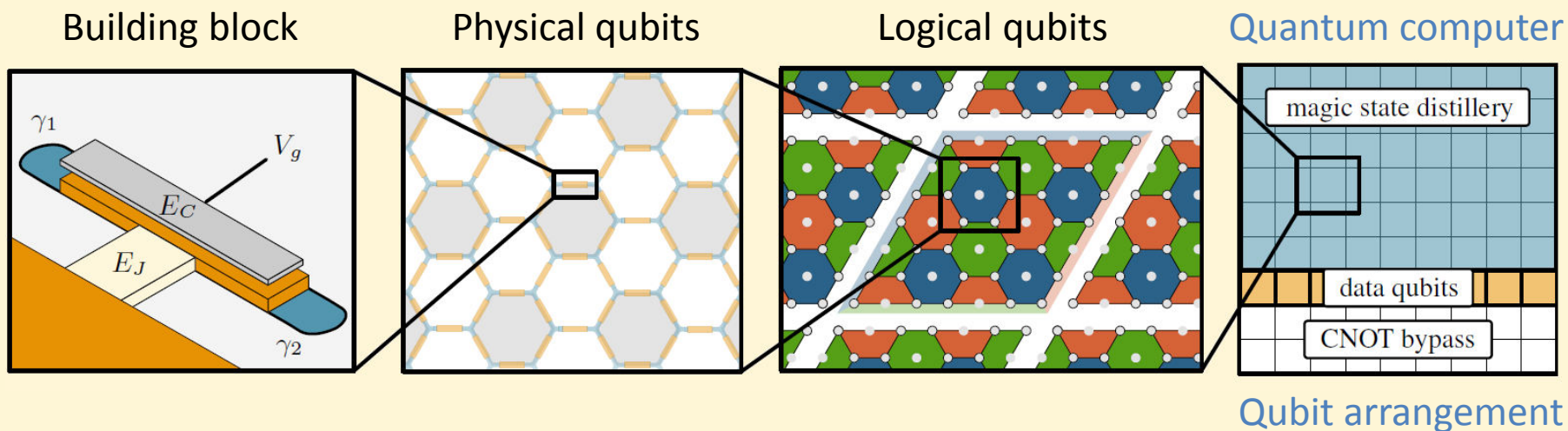


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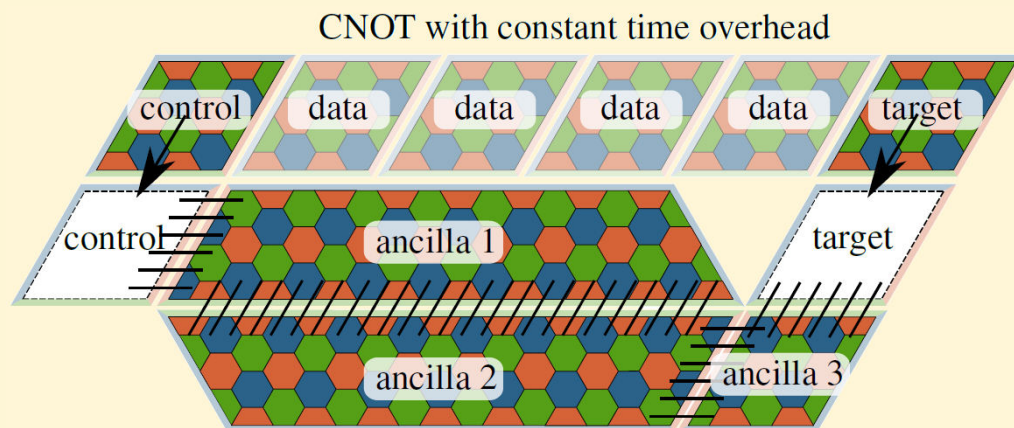
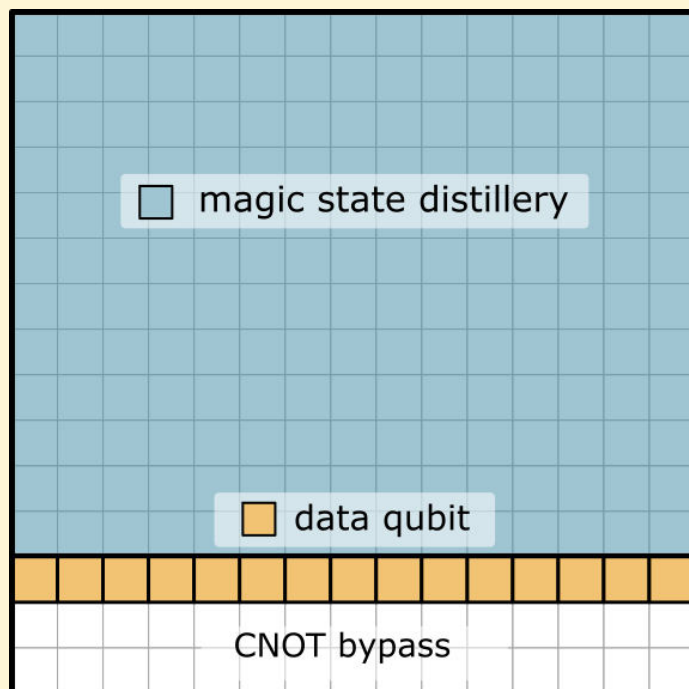
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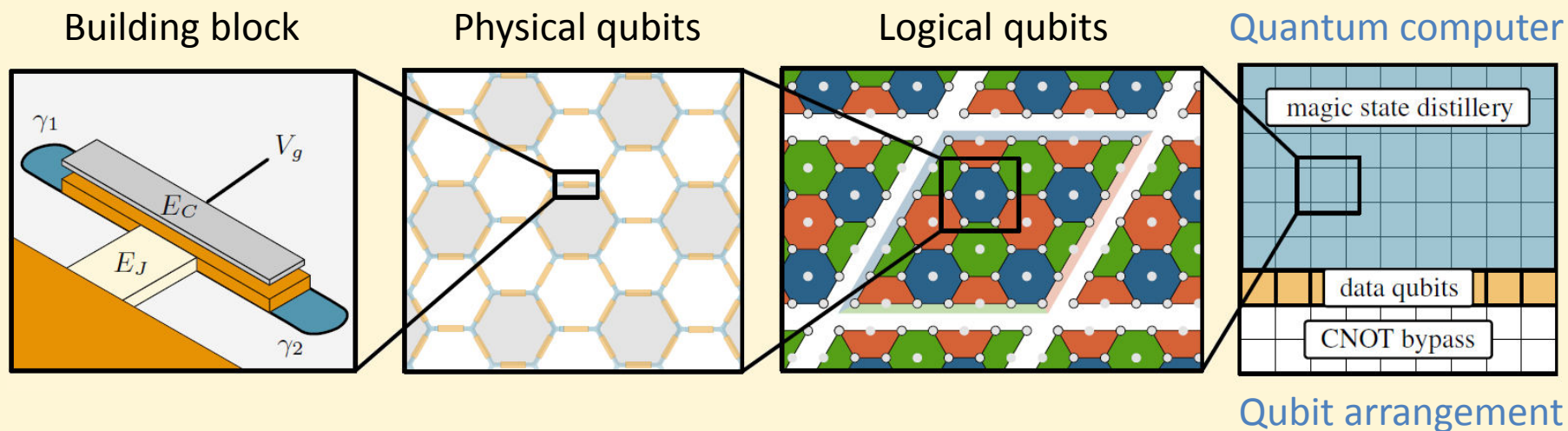




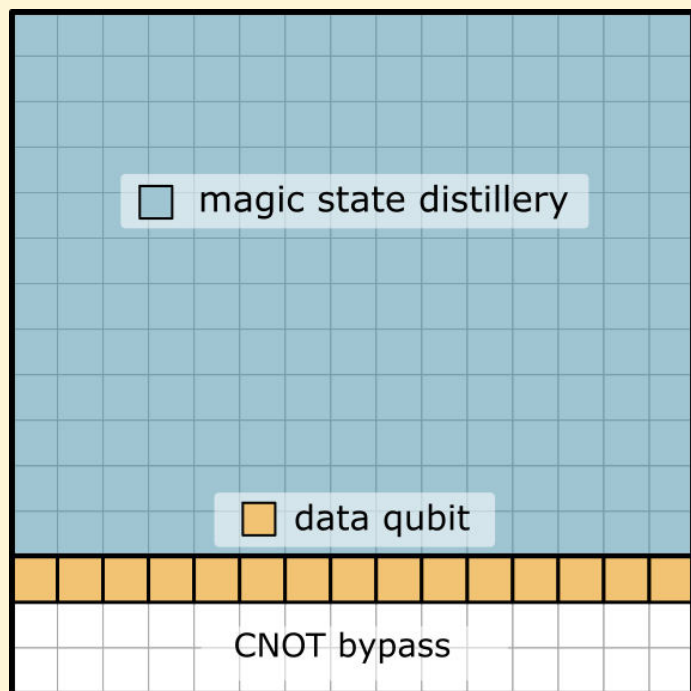
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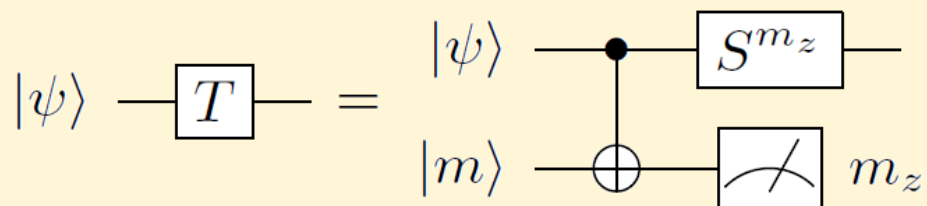


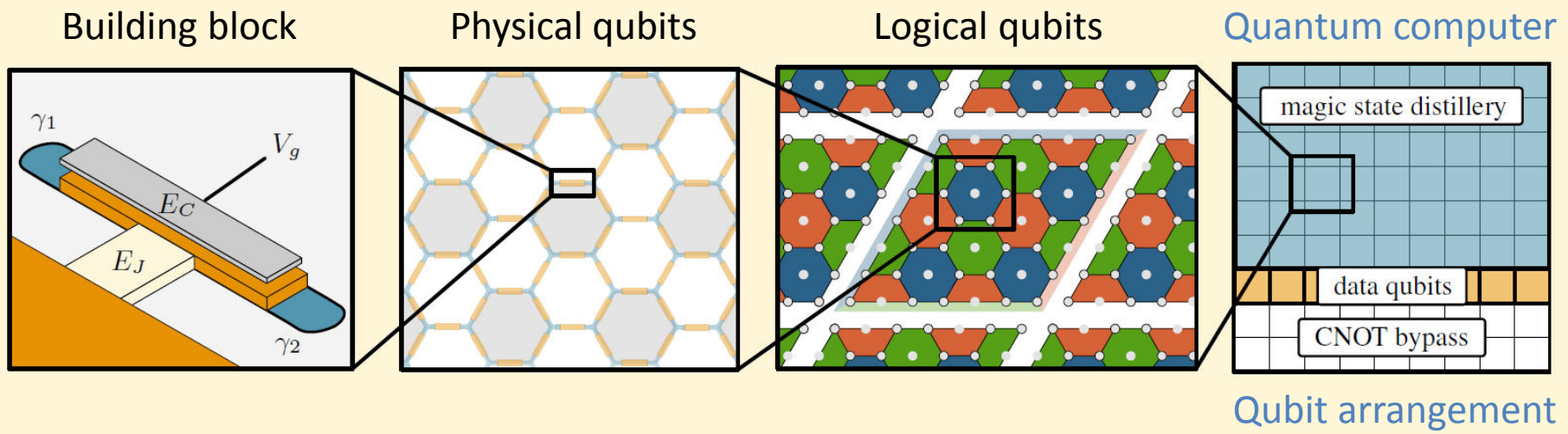
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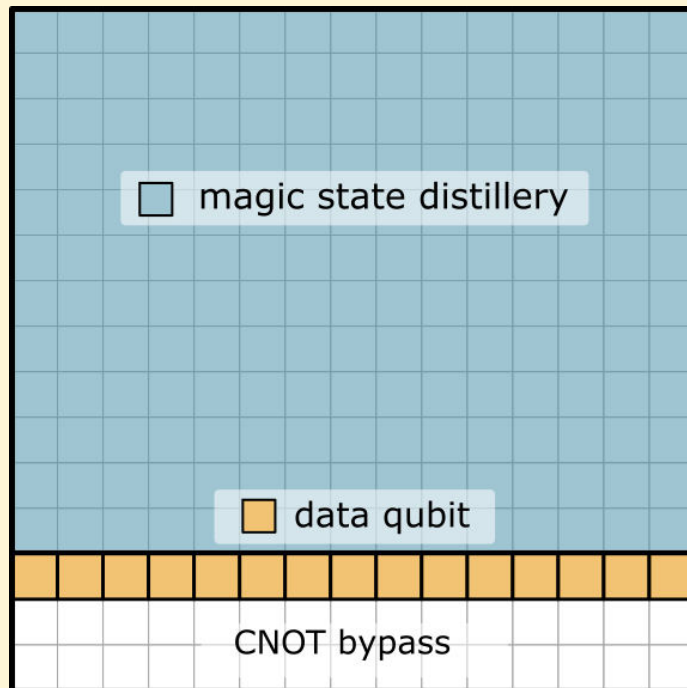
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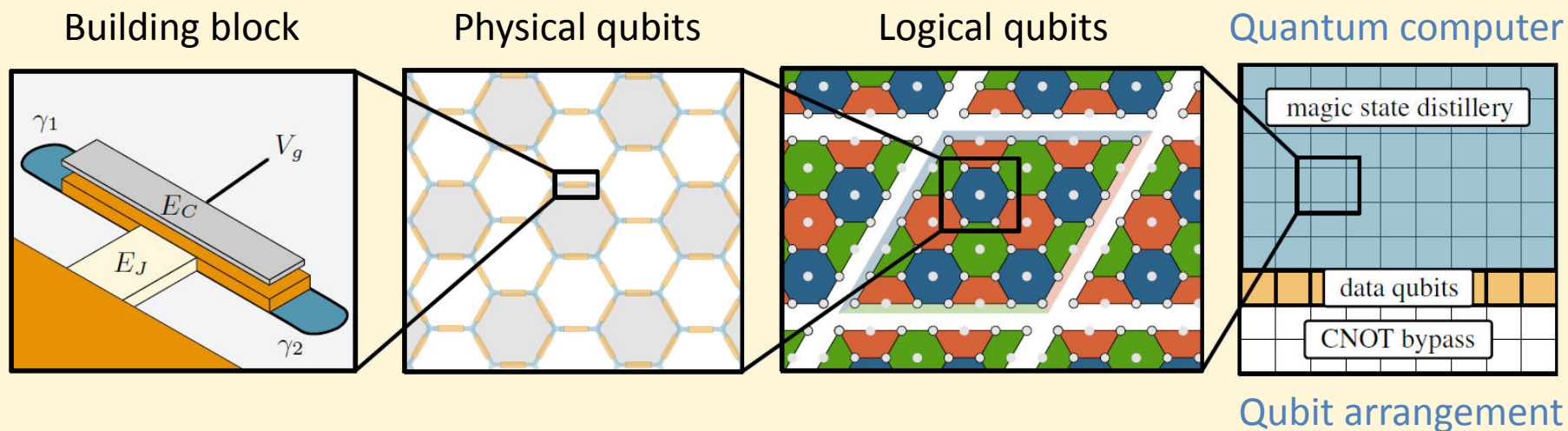
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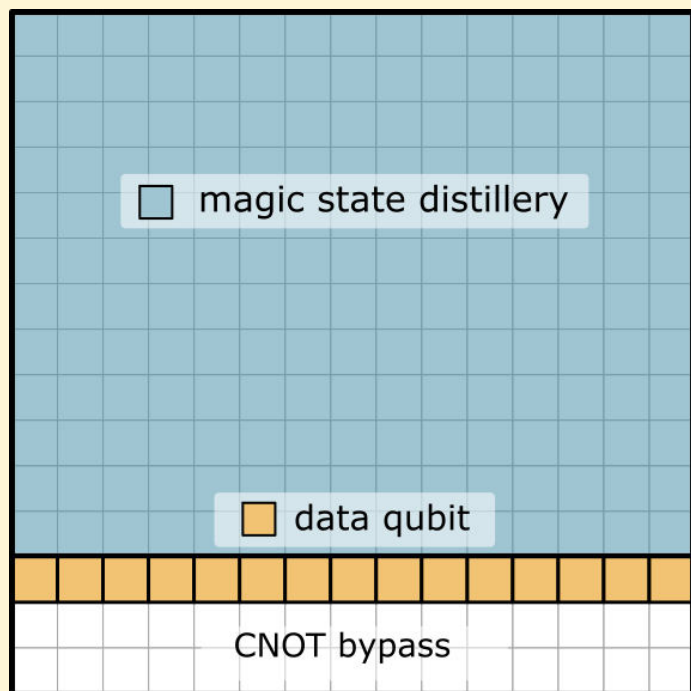
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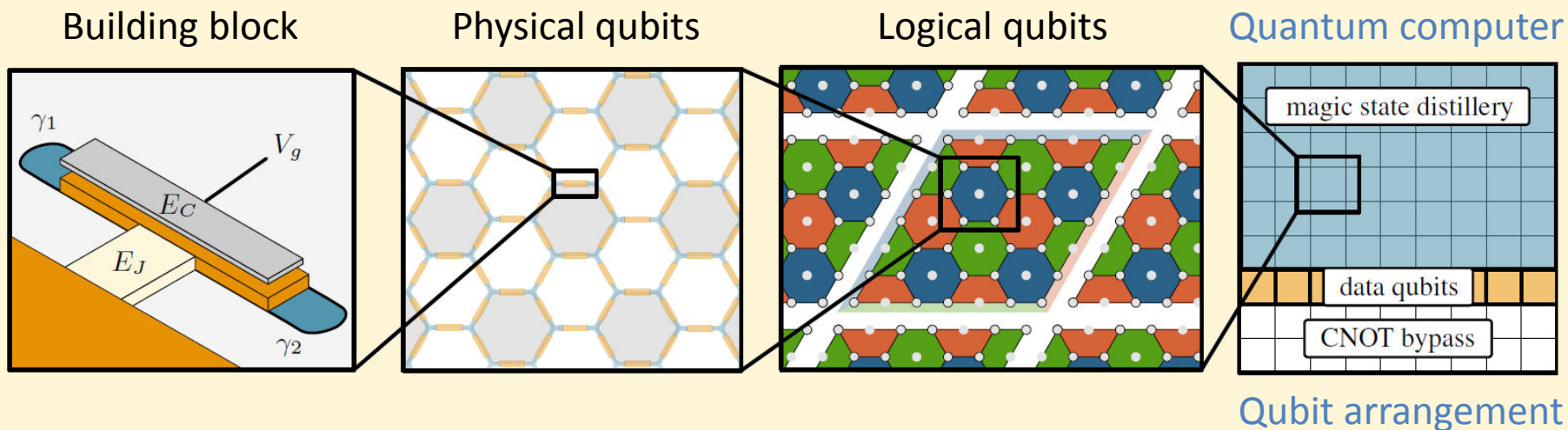
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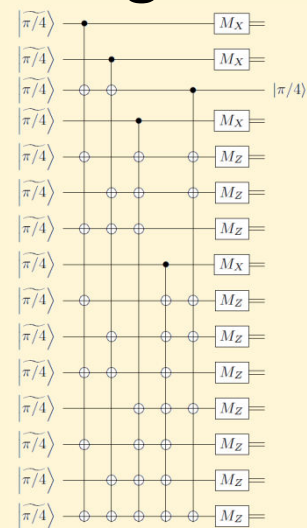
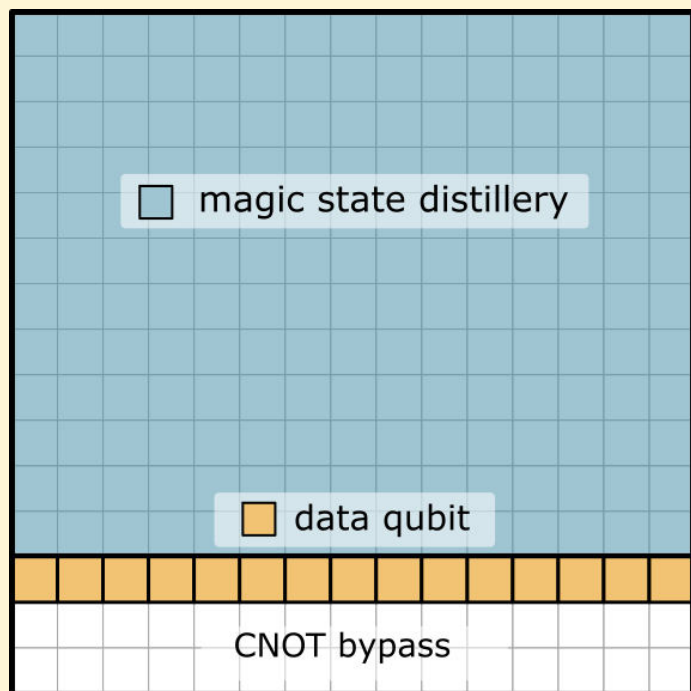
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Better
 $|m\rangle$
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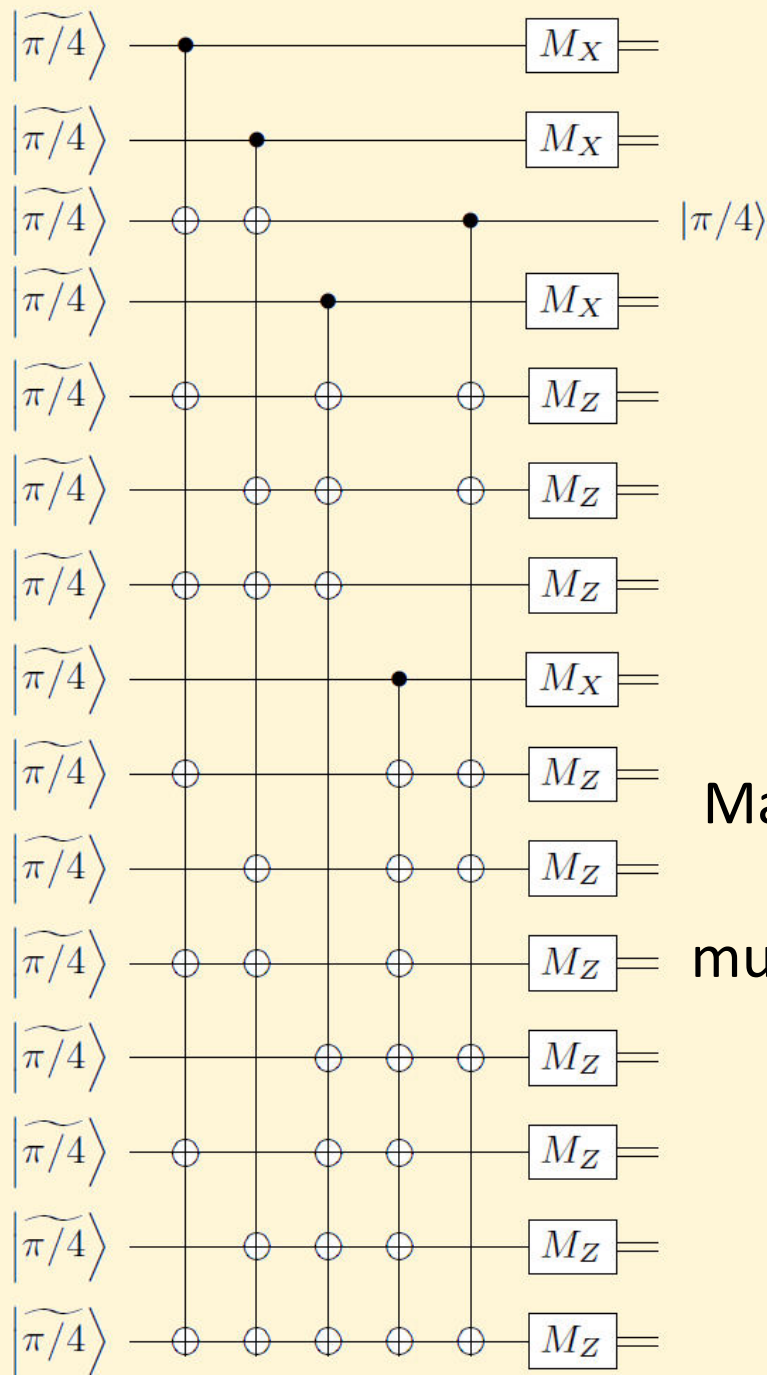
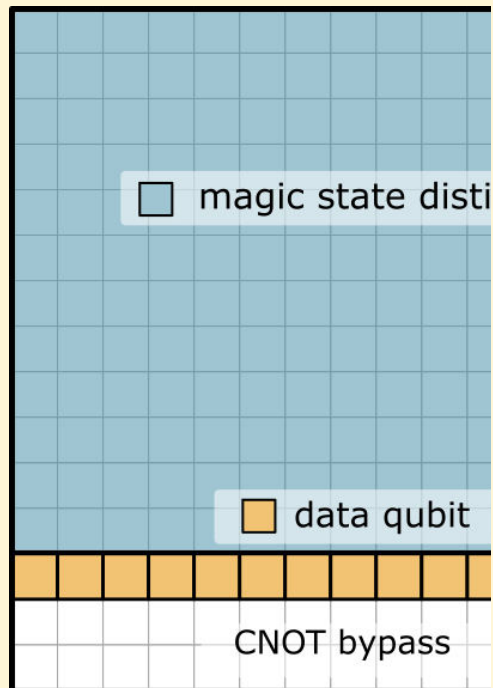
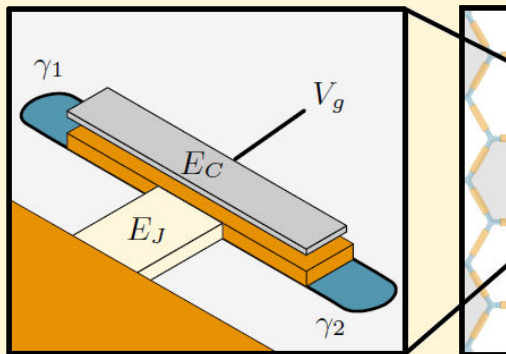


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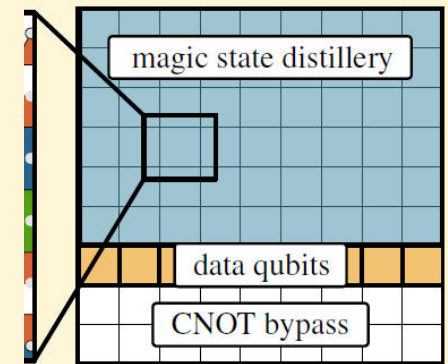
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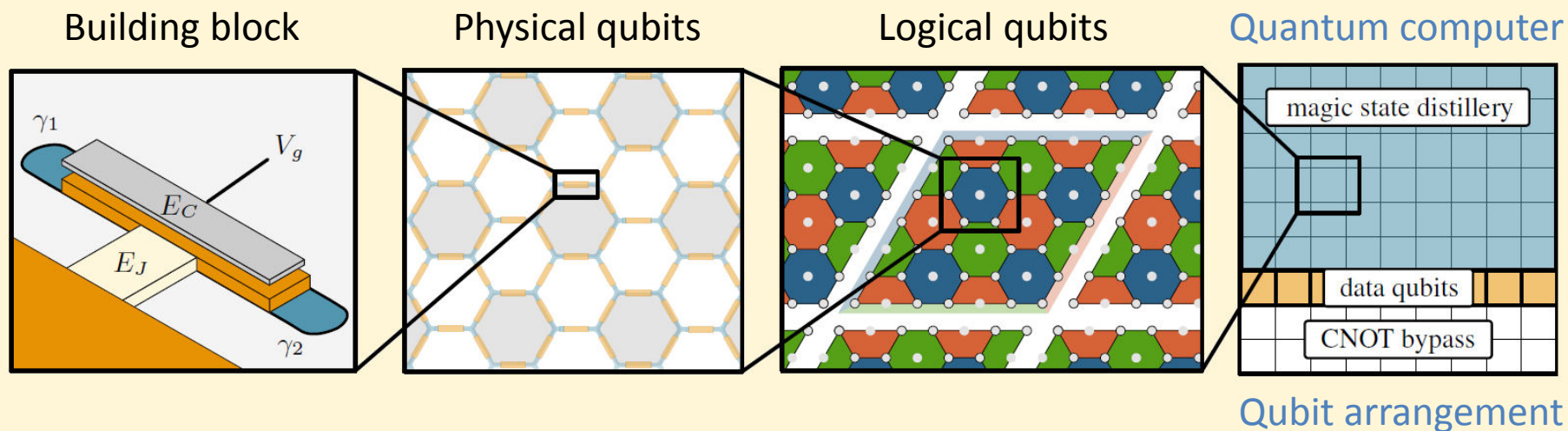


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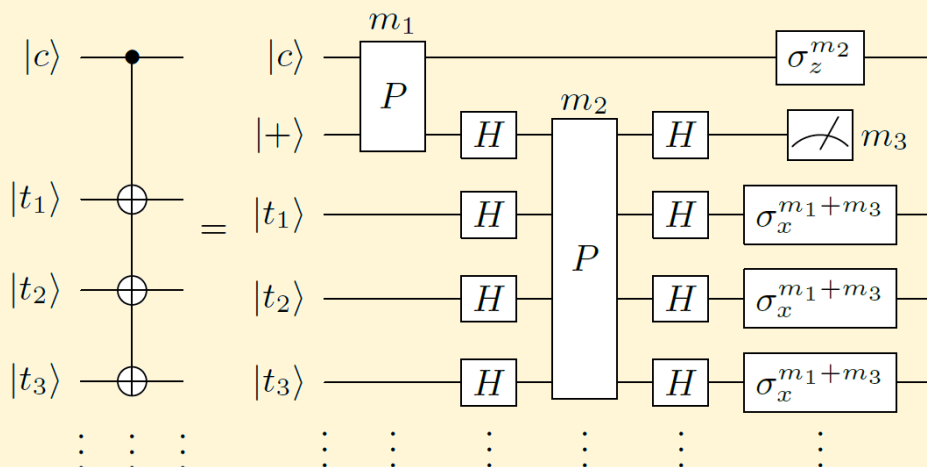
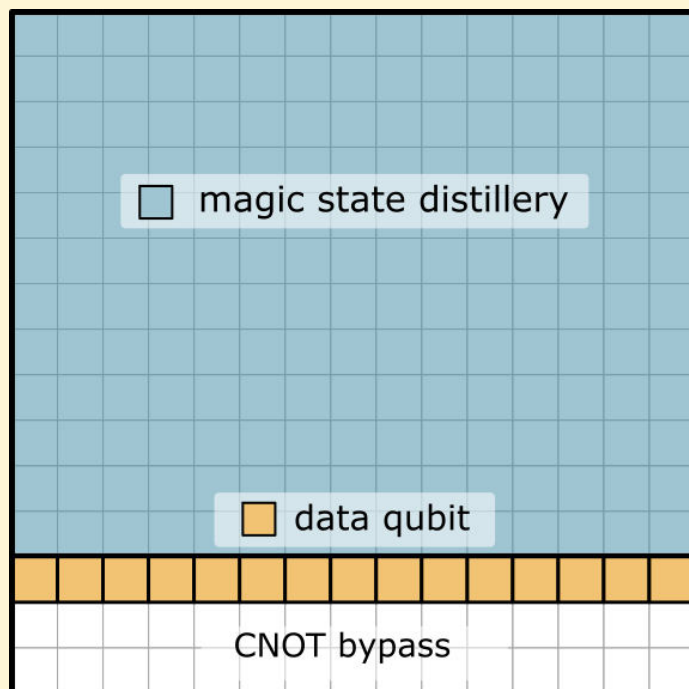


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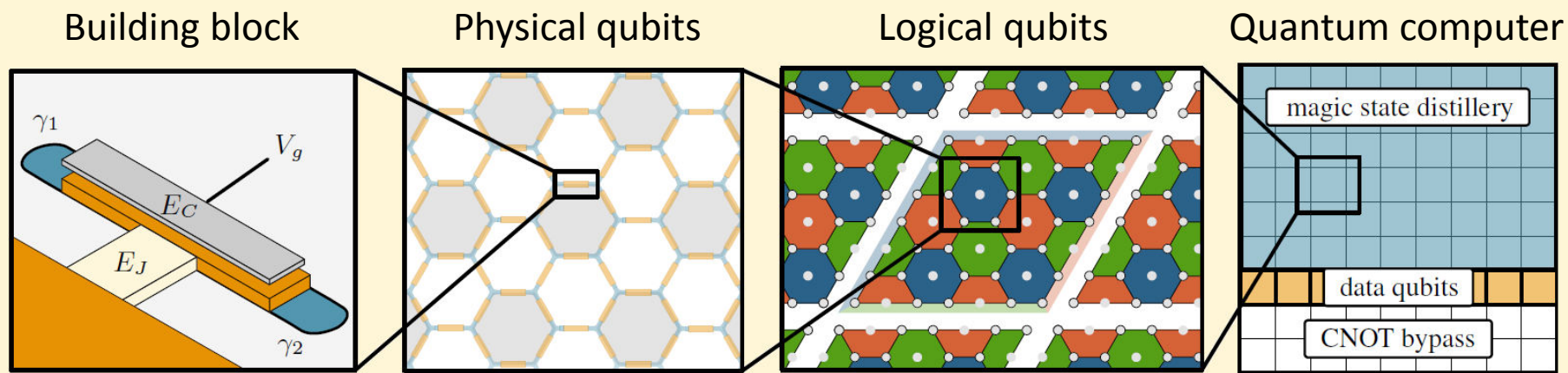
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Fast multi-target CNOTs
 → Fast distillation



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Summary

- + Scalable
- + Voltage-controlled
- + Fault-tolerant
- + Topologically protected Clifford gates
- + Ancilla-free syndrome readout
- + Constant-time CNOTs between distant qubits
- + Fast magic state distillation