

Quantum computing with a reasonable overhead

Simplified quantum compiling with complex gate distillation

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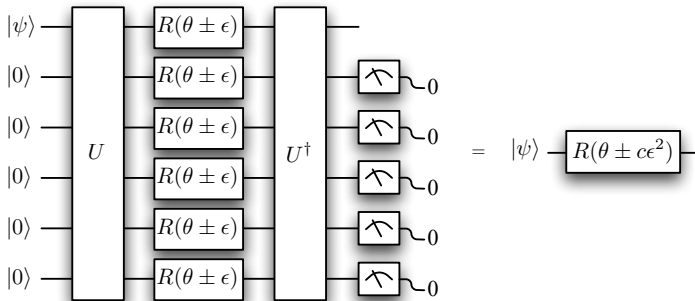
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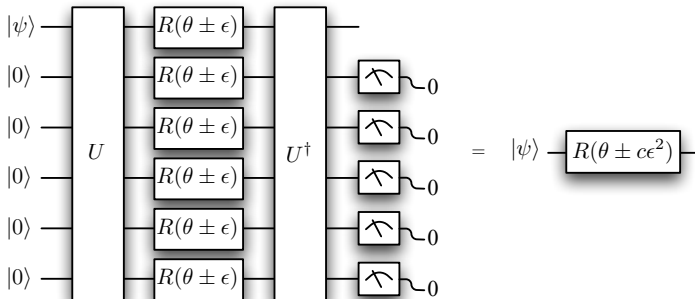
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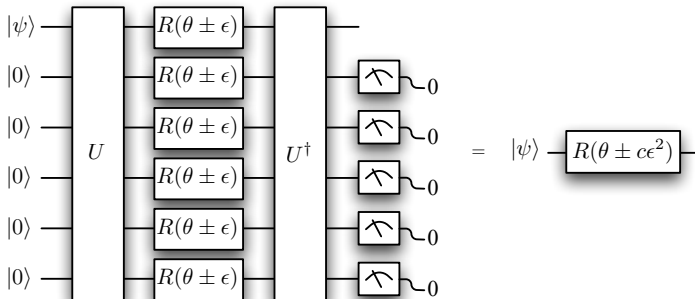
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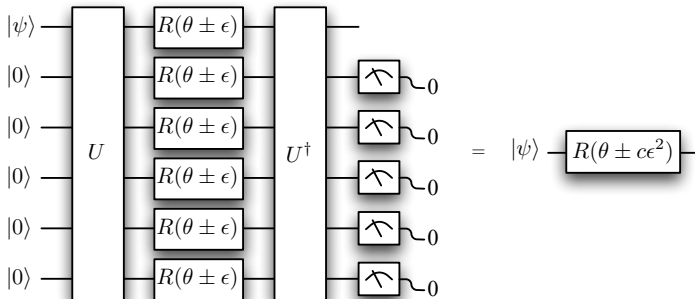
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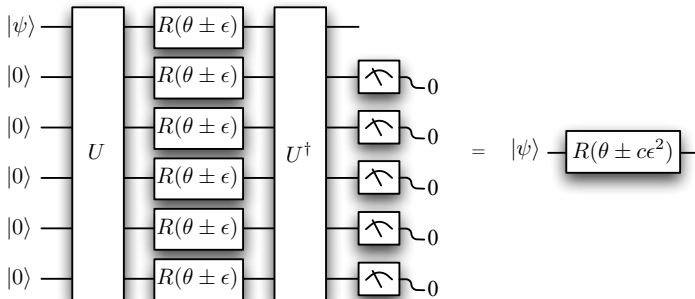
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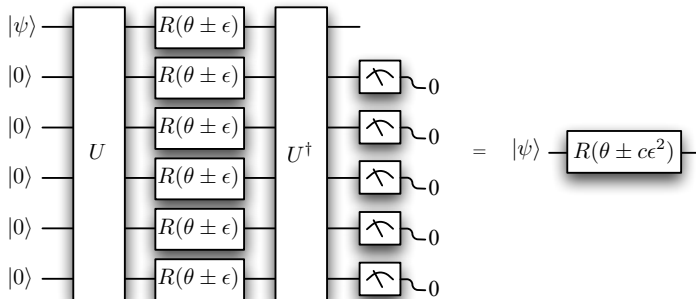
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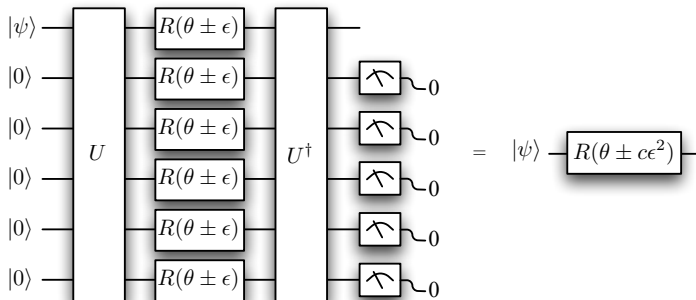
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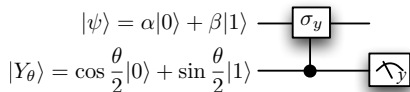
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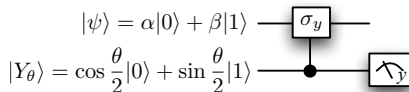
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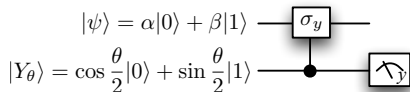
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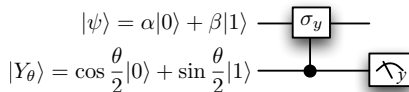
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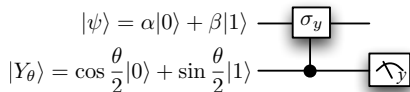
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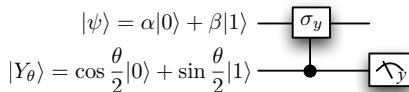
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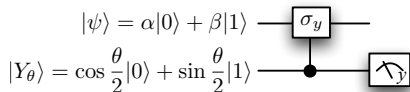
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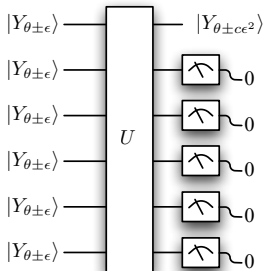
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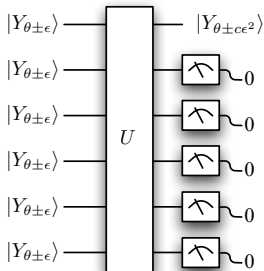
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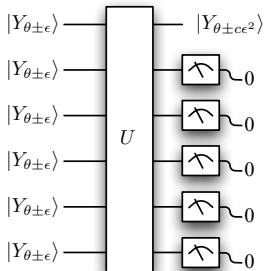
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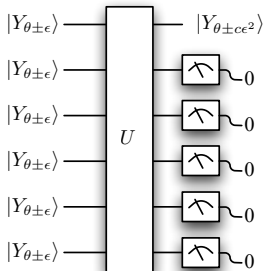
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10^{-23}	1309
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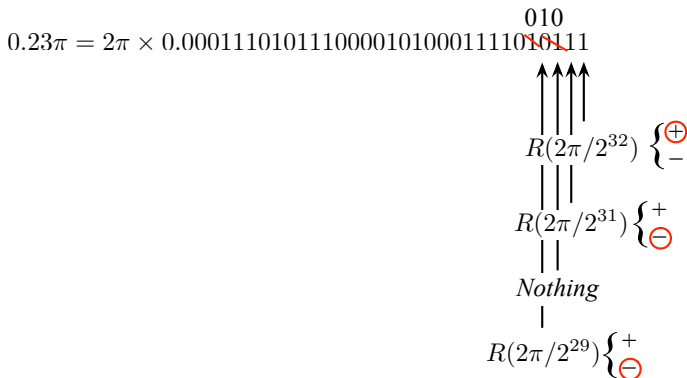
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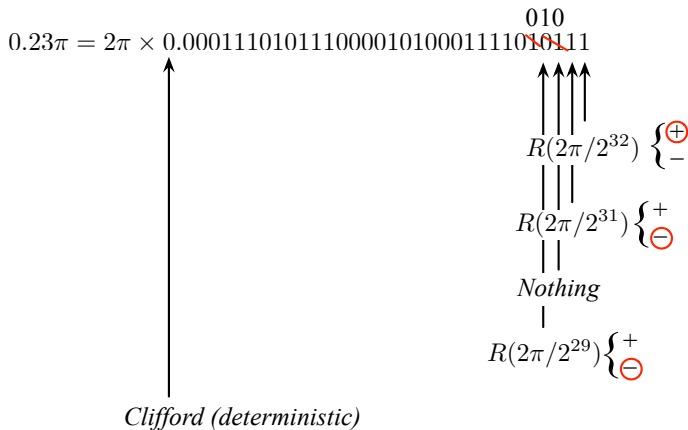
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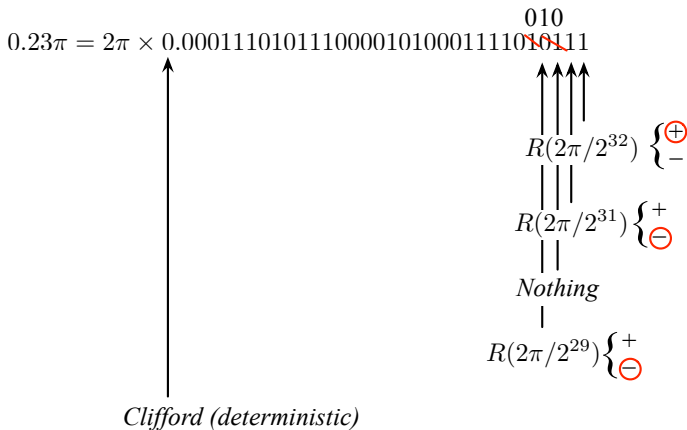
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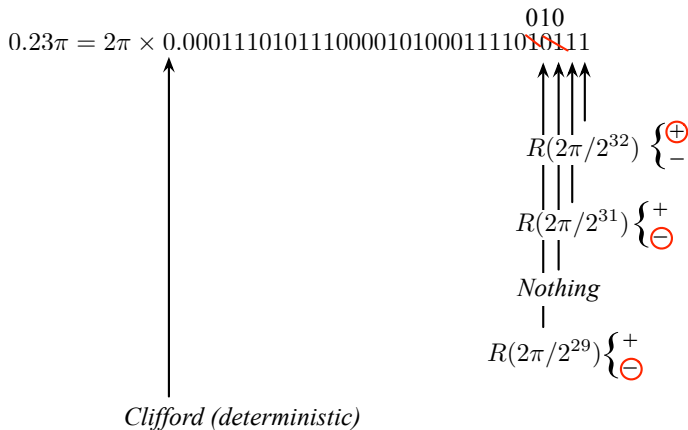
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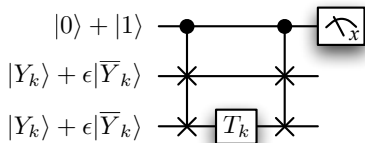
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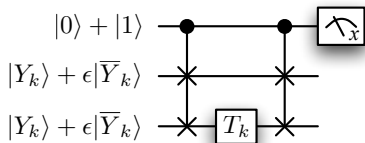
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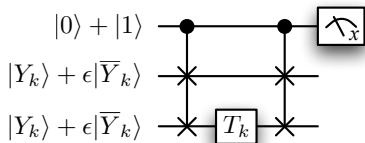
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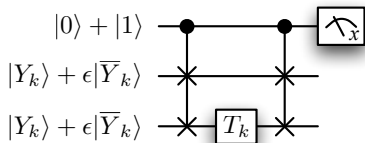
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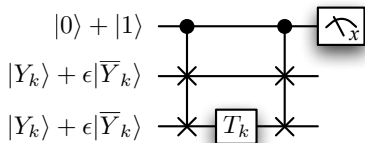
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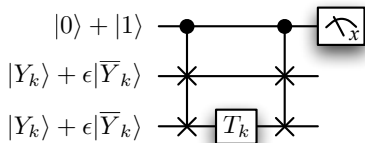
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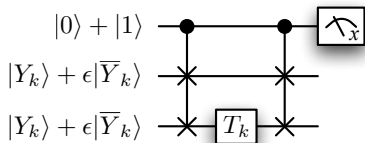
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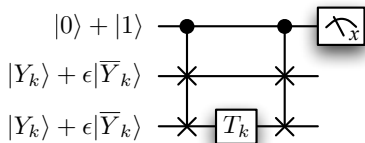
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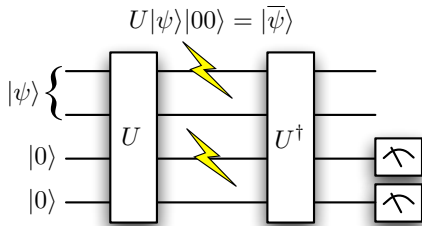
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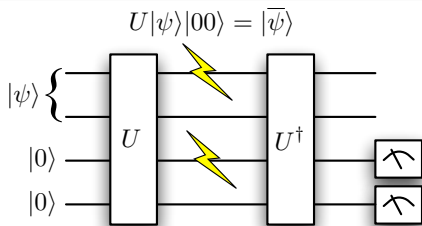
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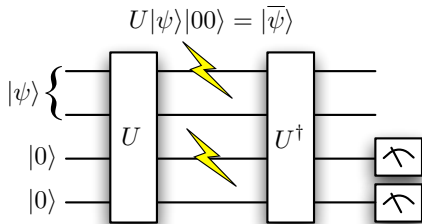
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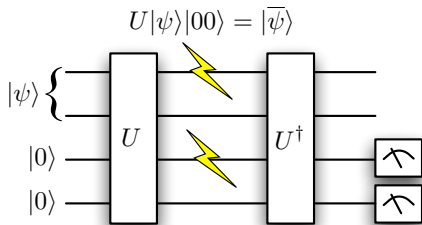
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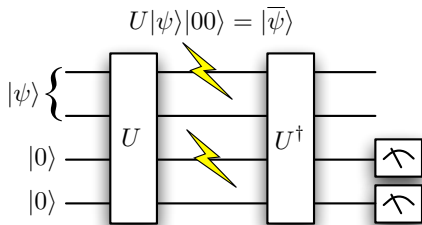
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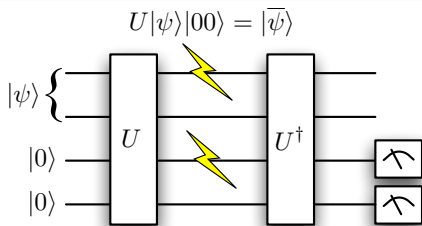
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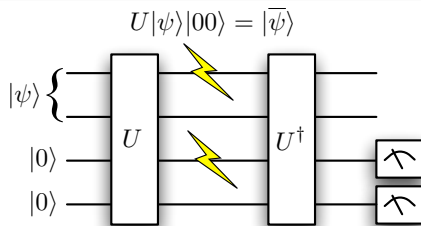
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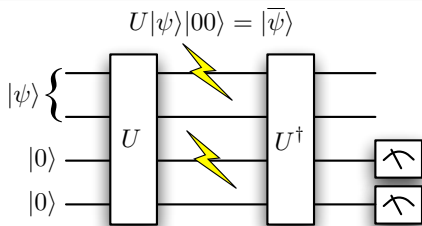
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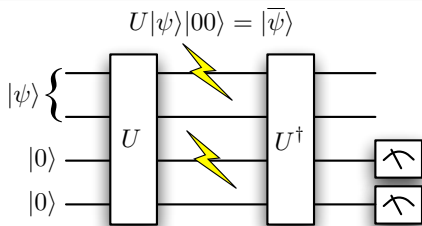
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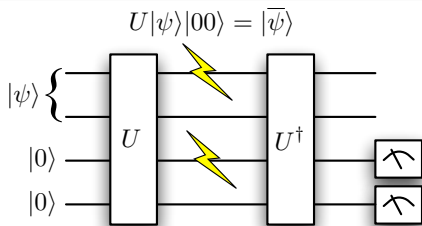
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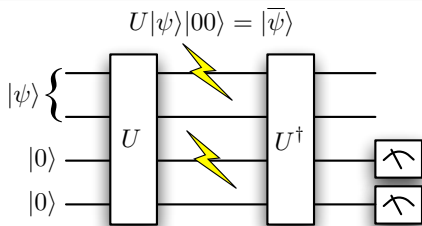
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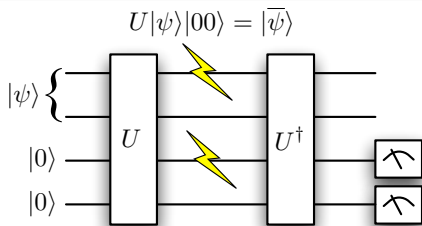
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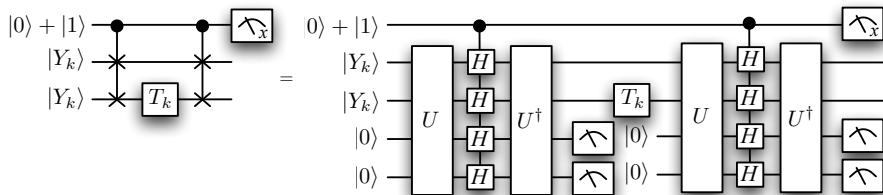
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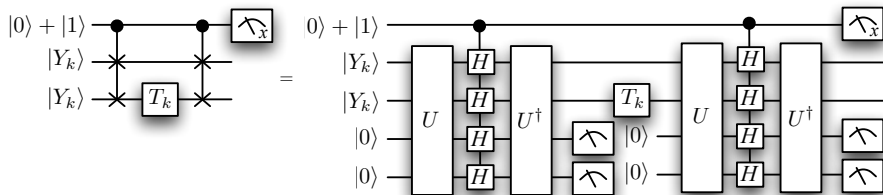
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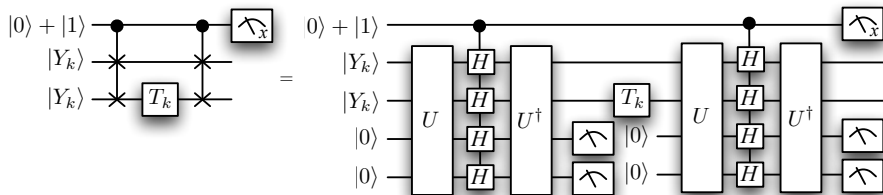
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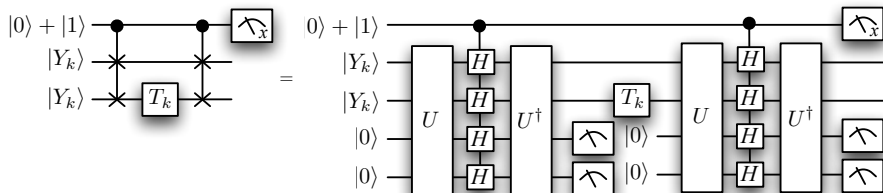
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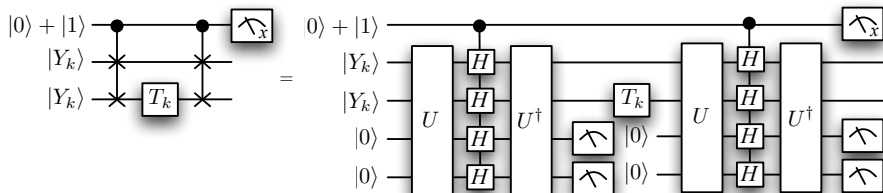
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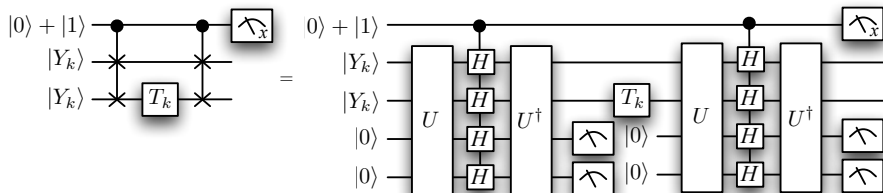
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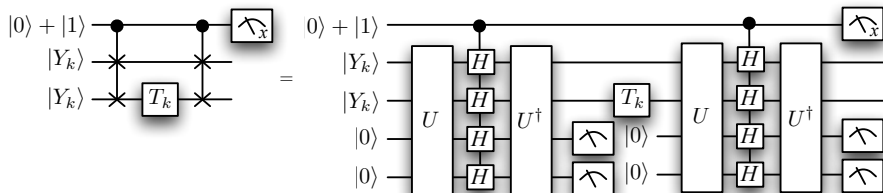
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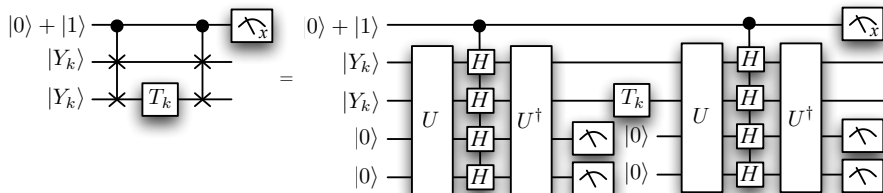
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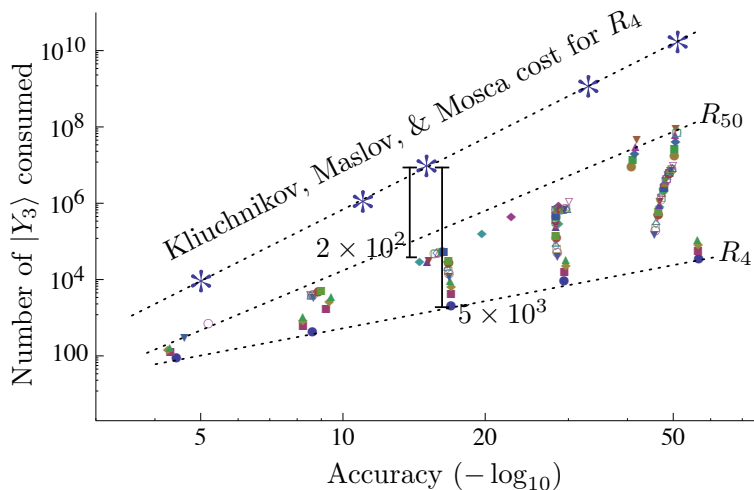
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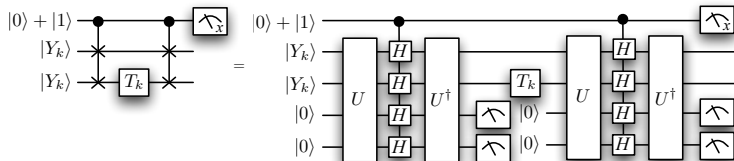
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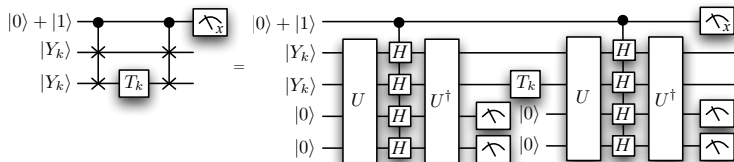
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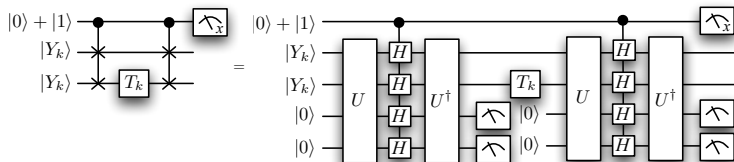
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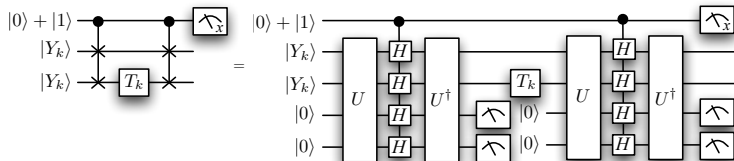
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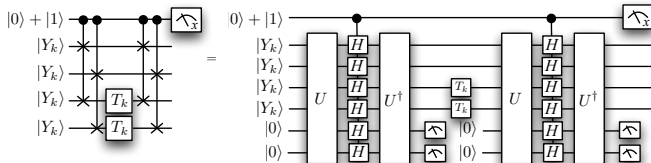
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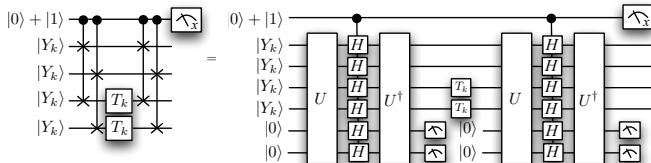
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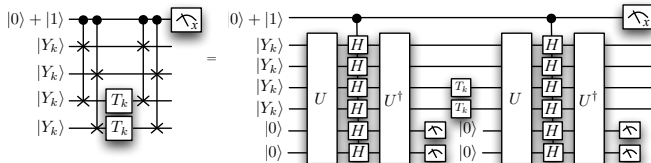
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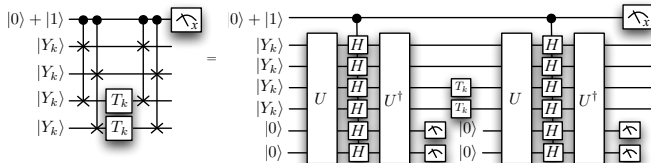
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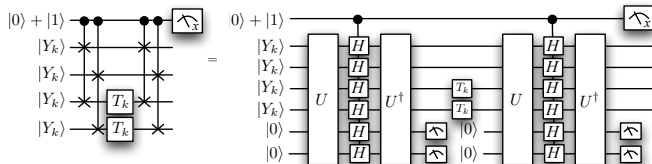
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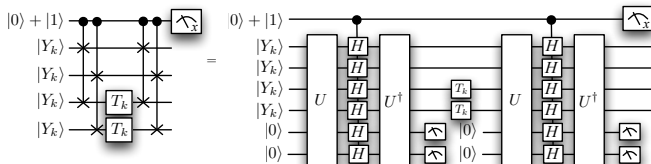
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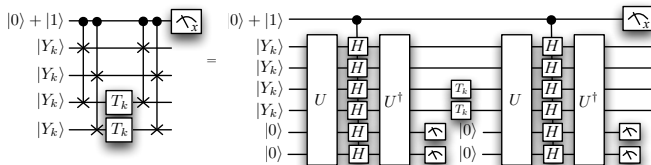
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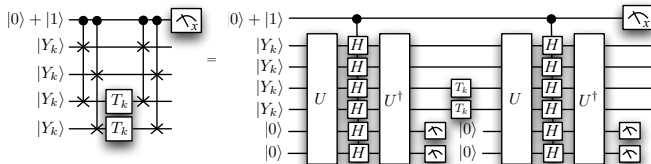
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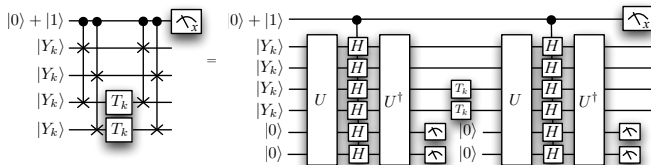
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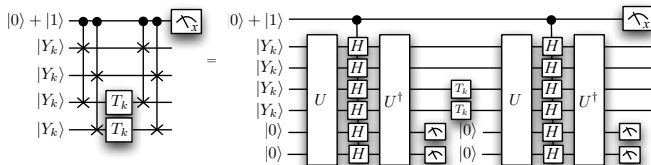
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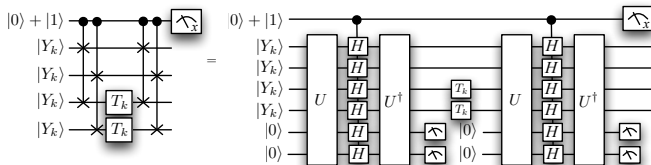
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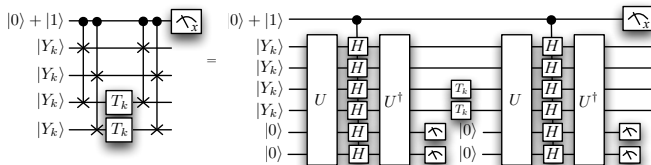
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