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Introduction to the Density Matrix Renormalization Group

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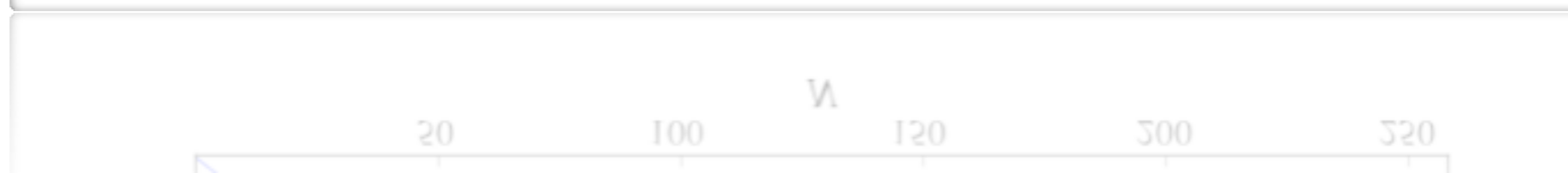
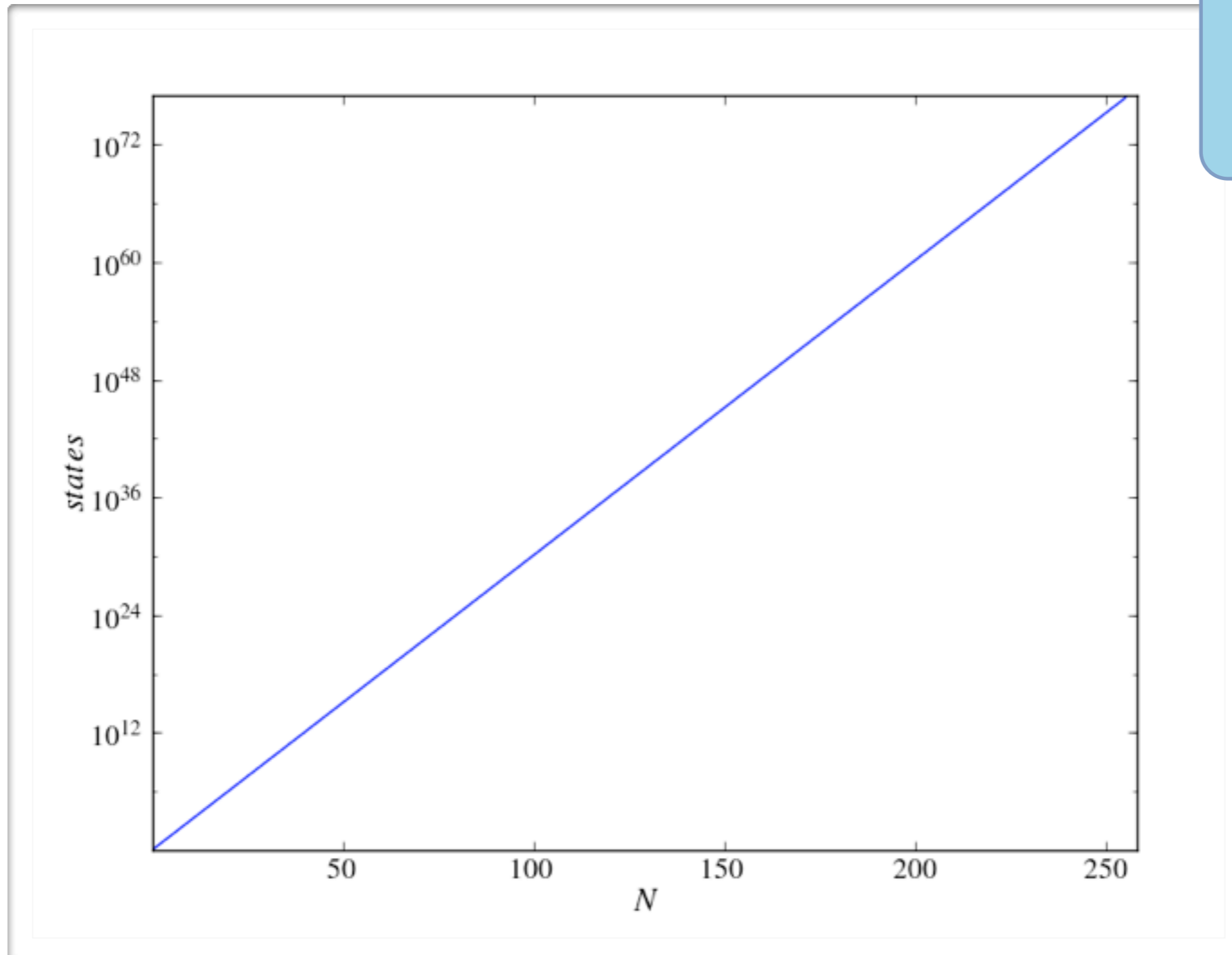




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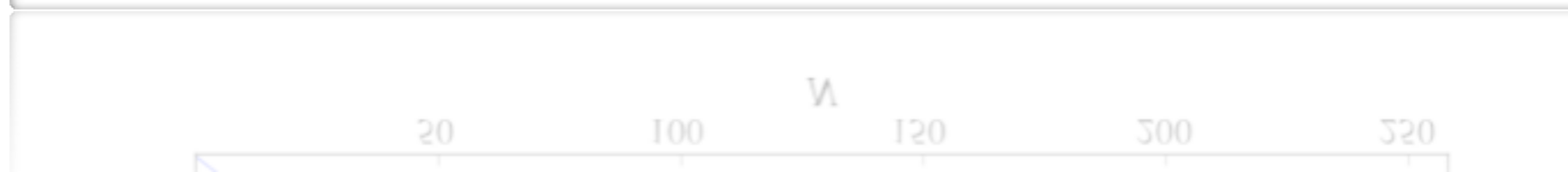
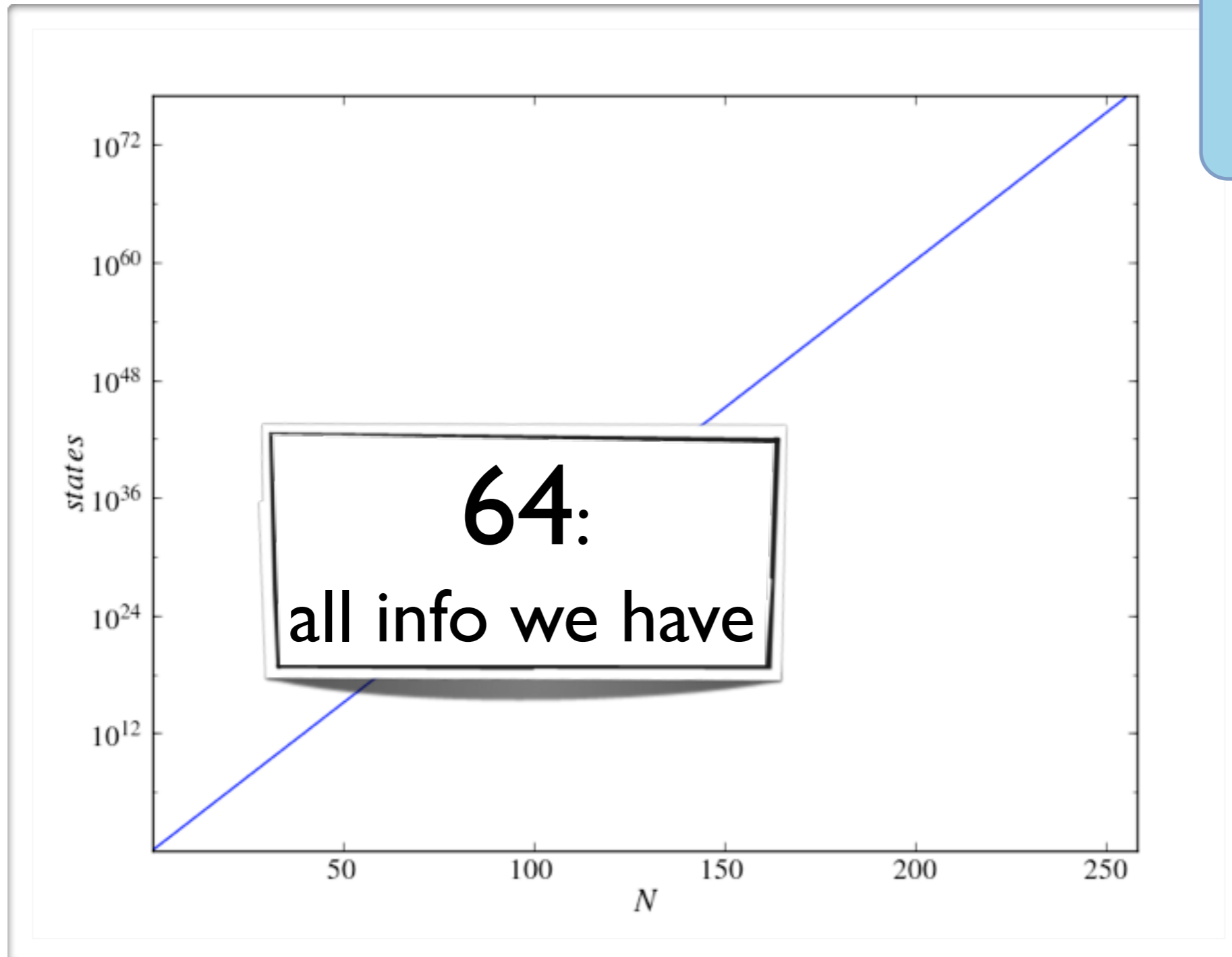
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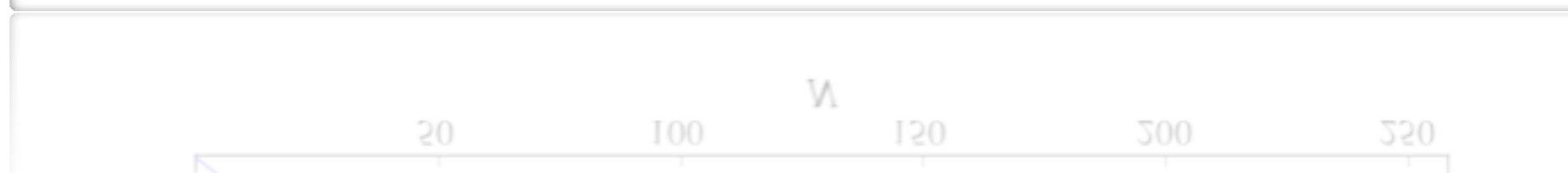
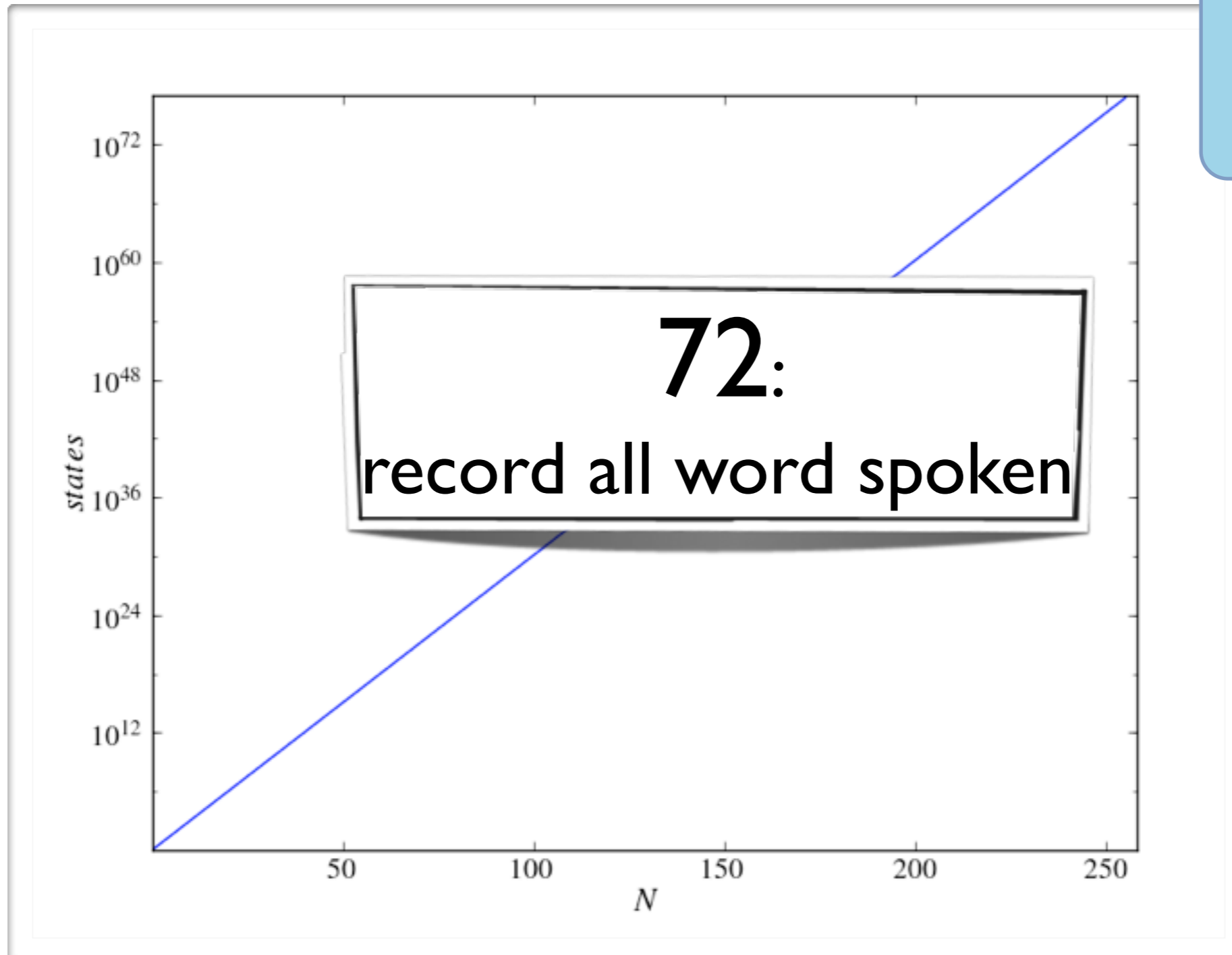
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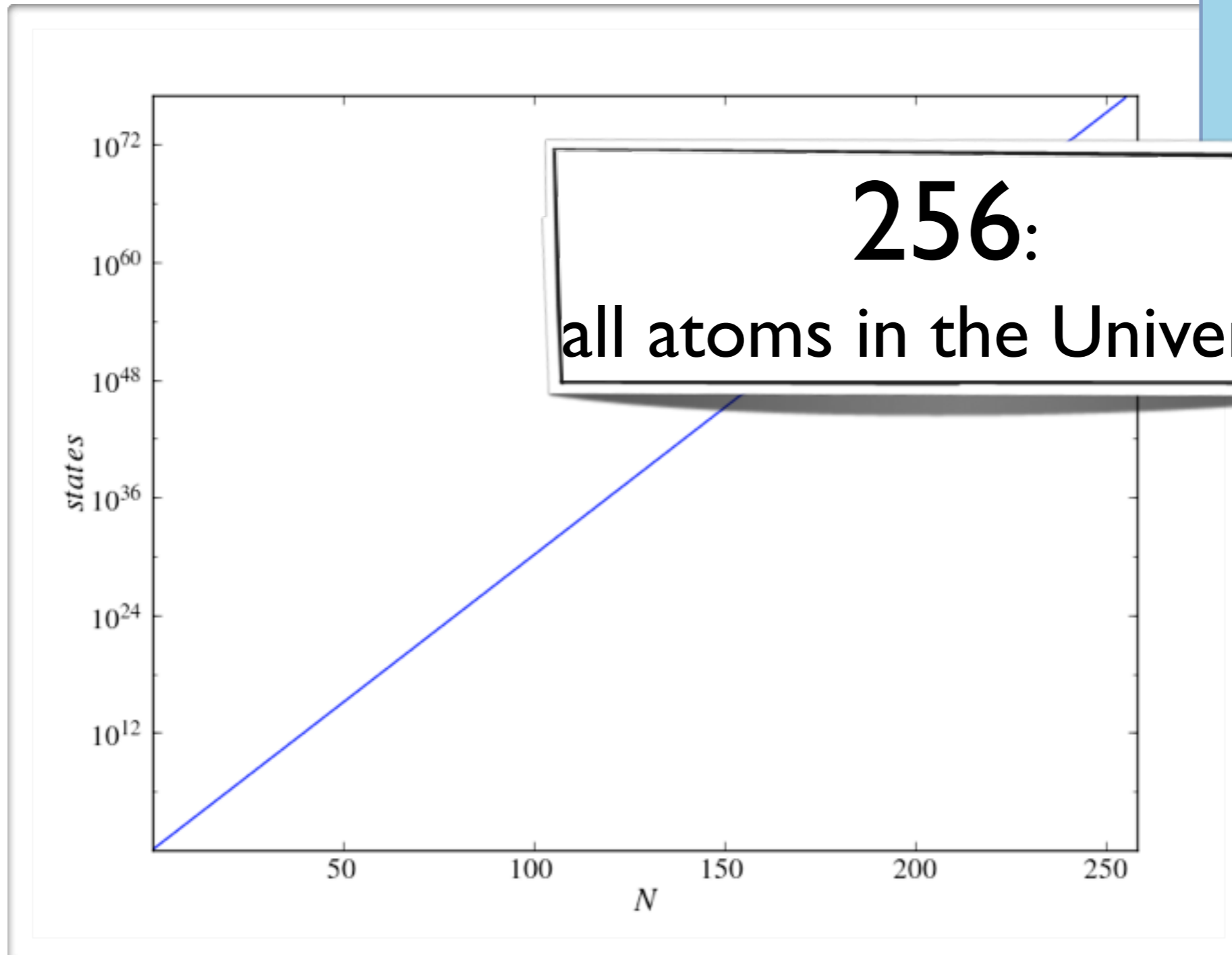
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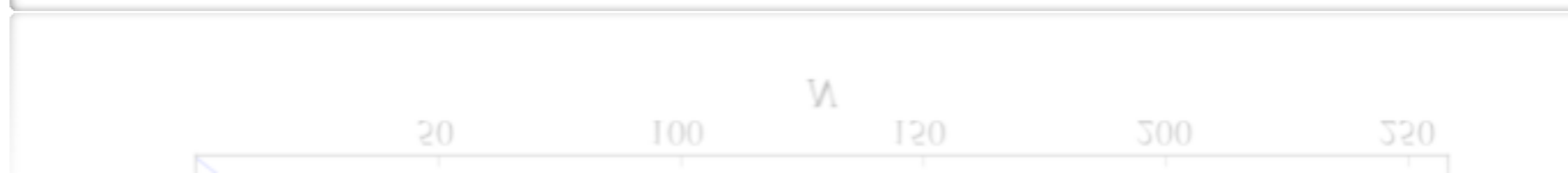


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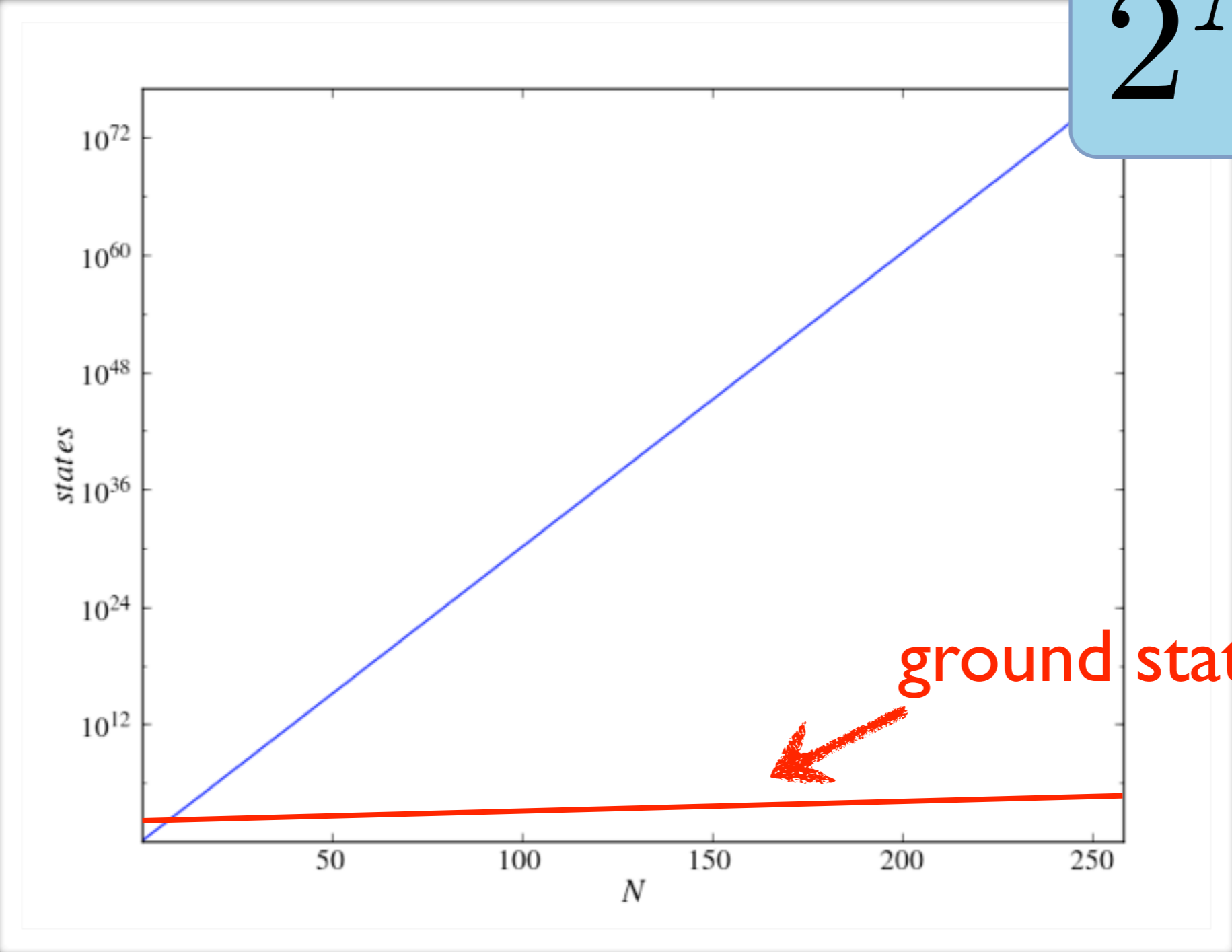
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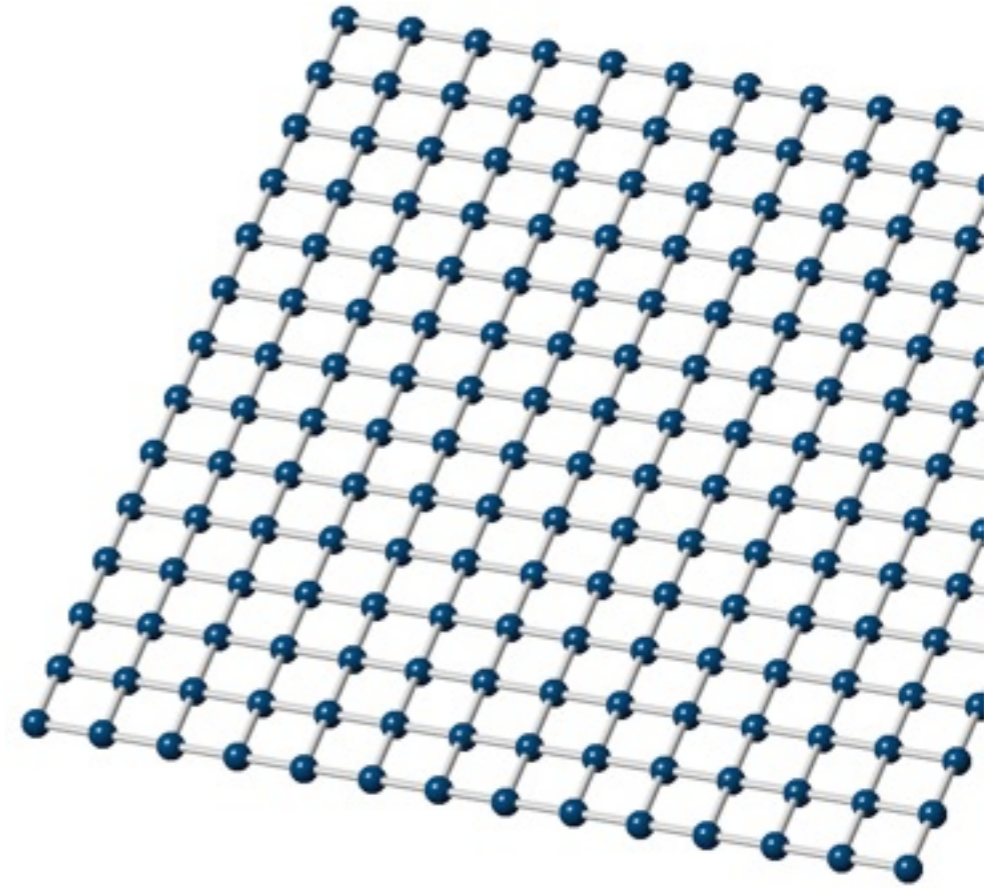
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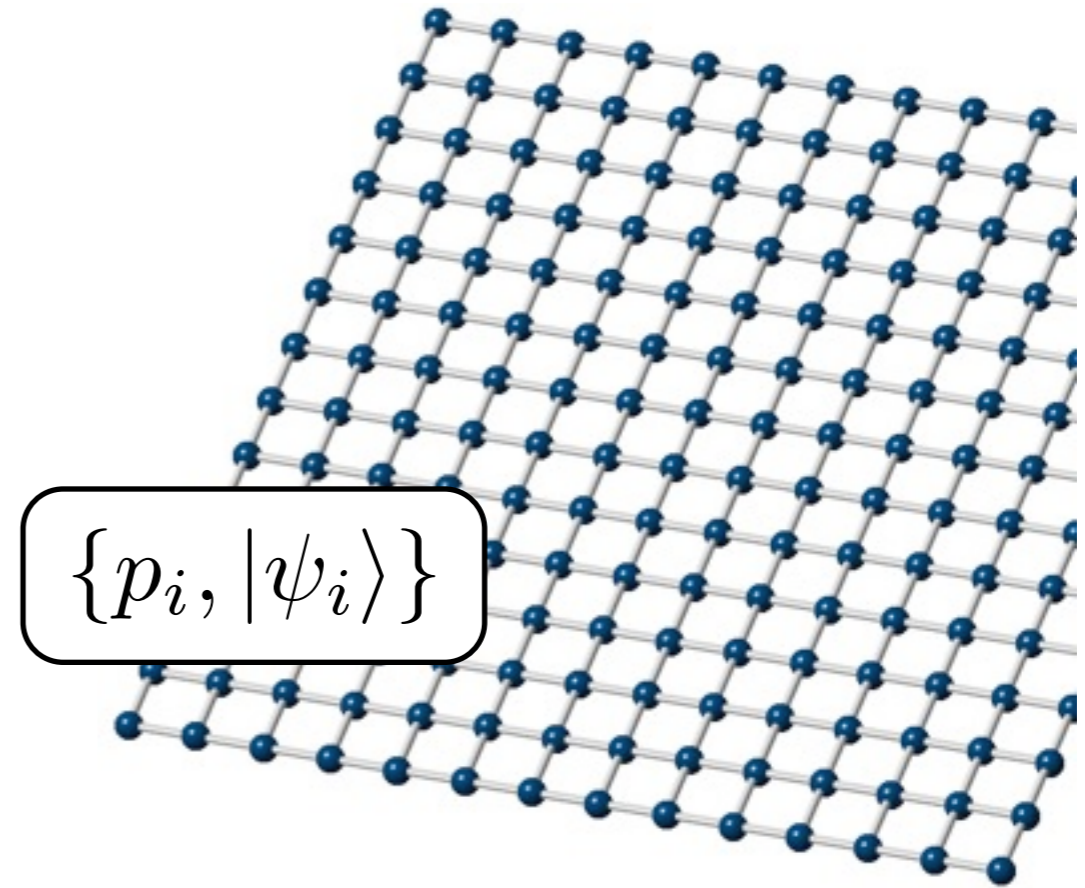
(so you can use ED to solve the problem)

II. The Basics

Density Matrix operator



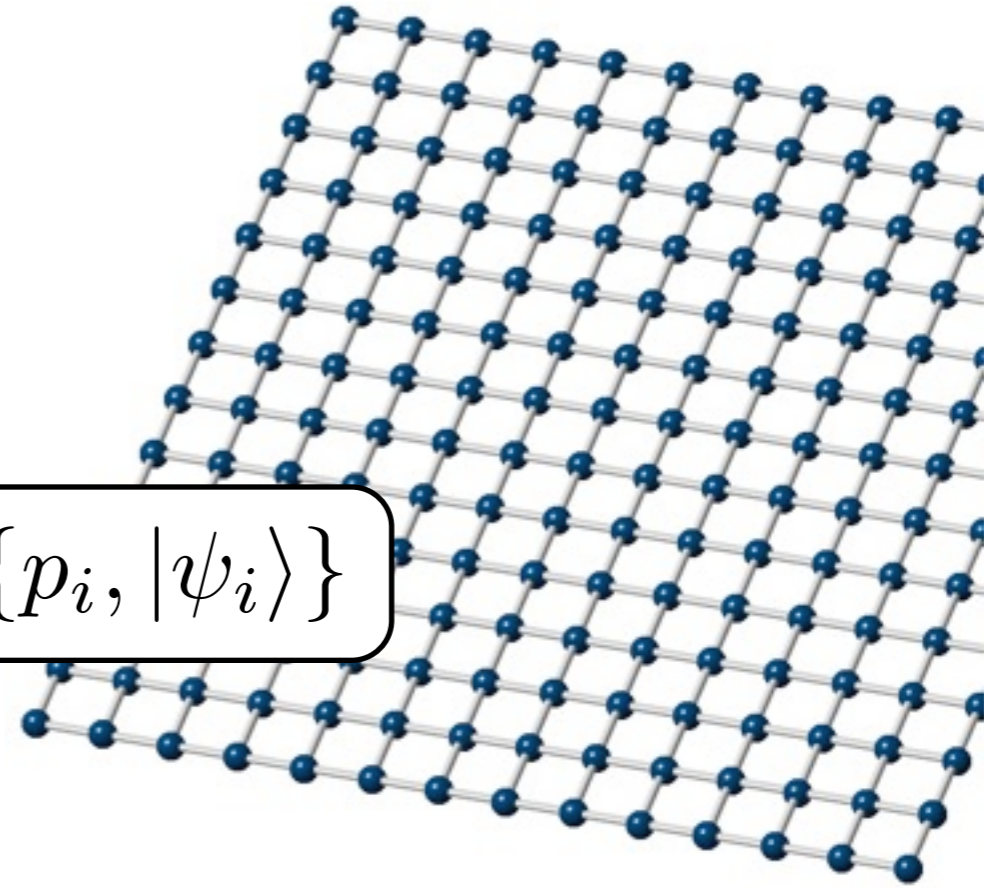
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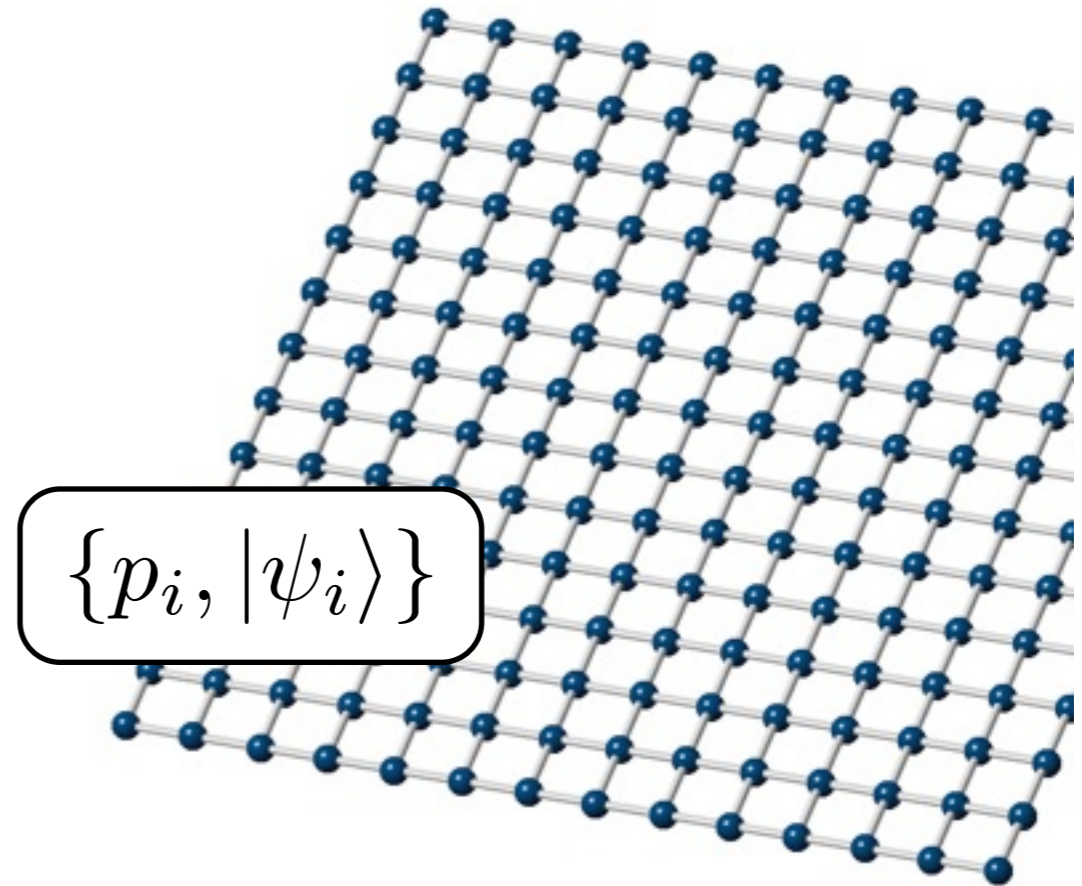
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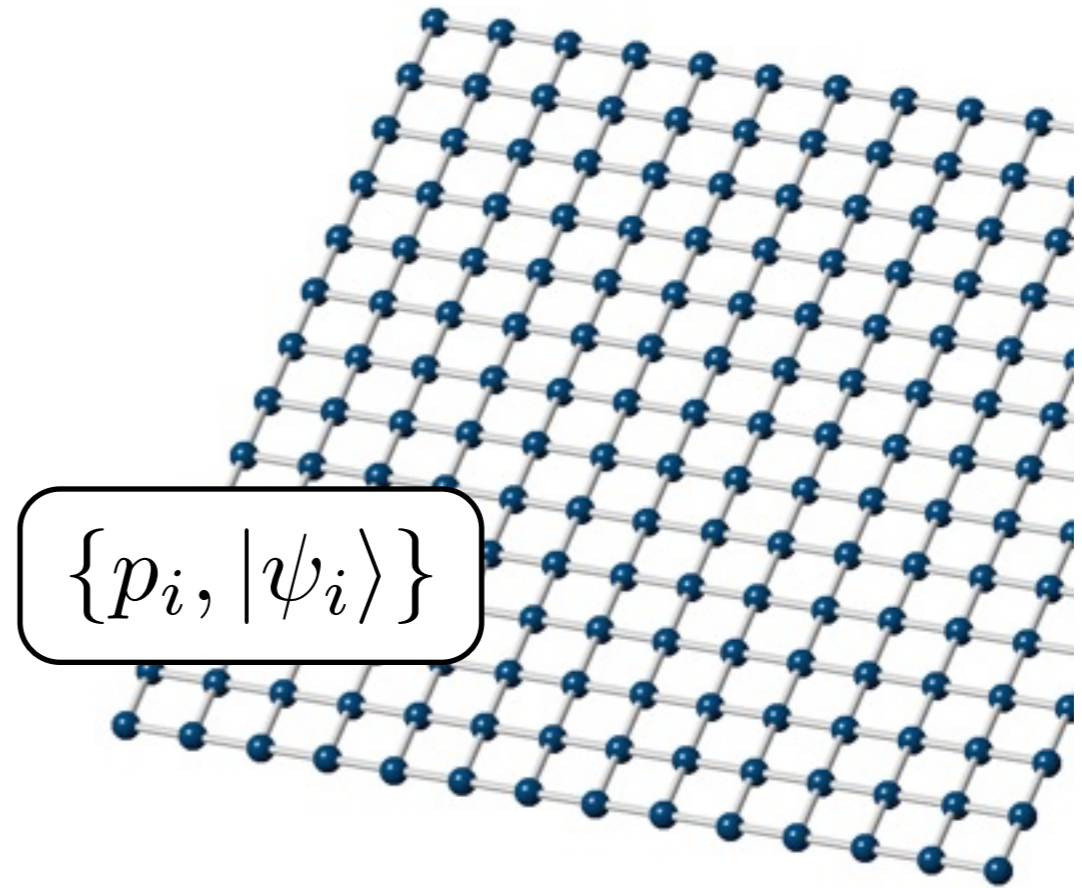
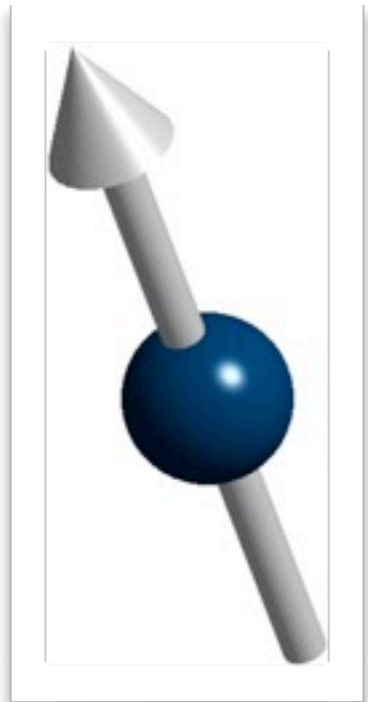


Observables:

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \text{tr}(\rho \mathcal{O}) = \sum_i p_i \langle \psi_i | \mathcal{O} | \psi_i \rangle$$

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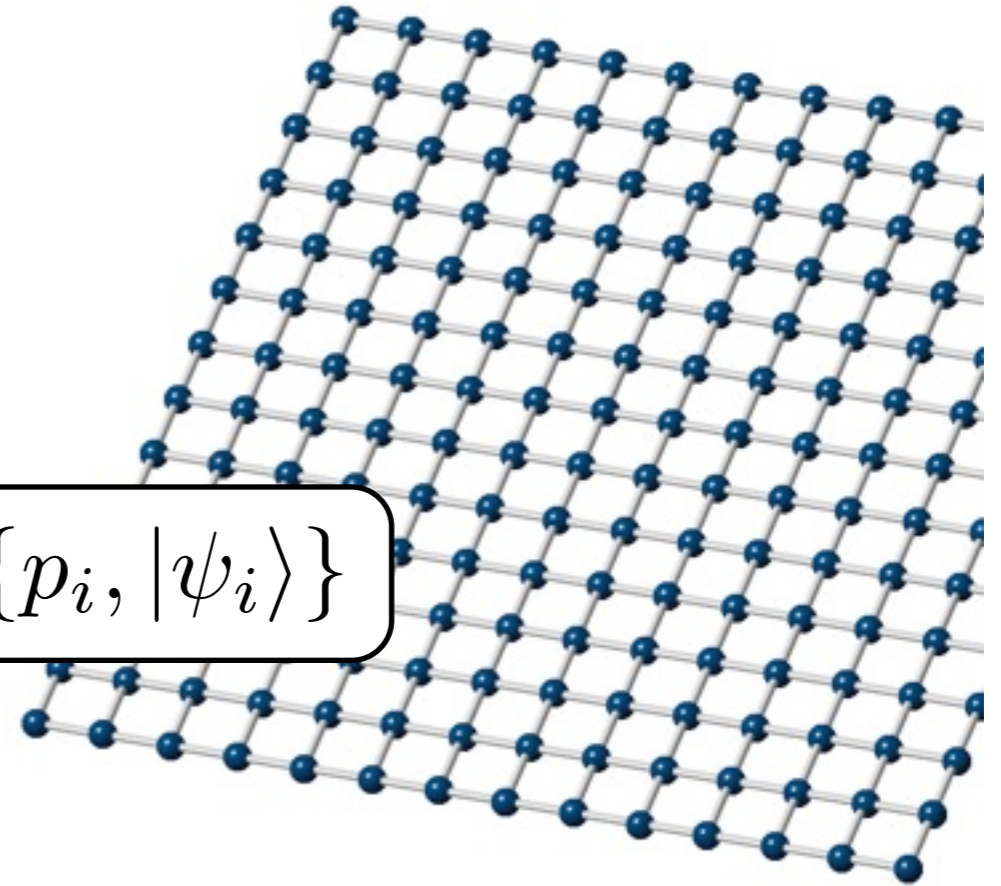
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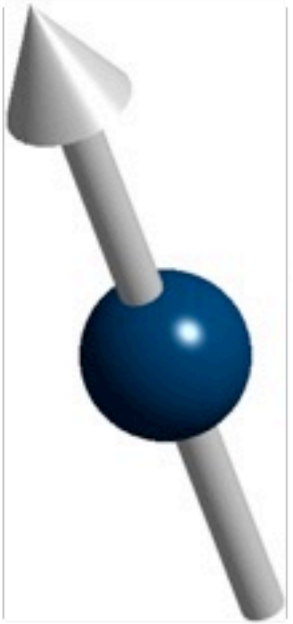
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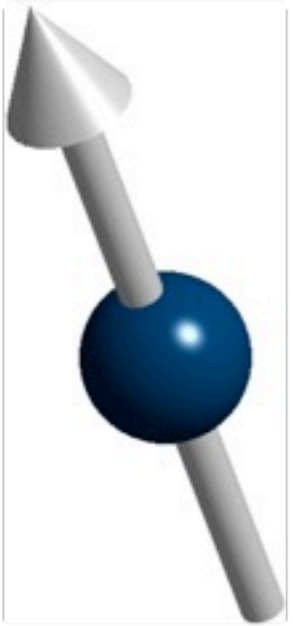
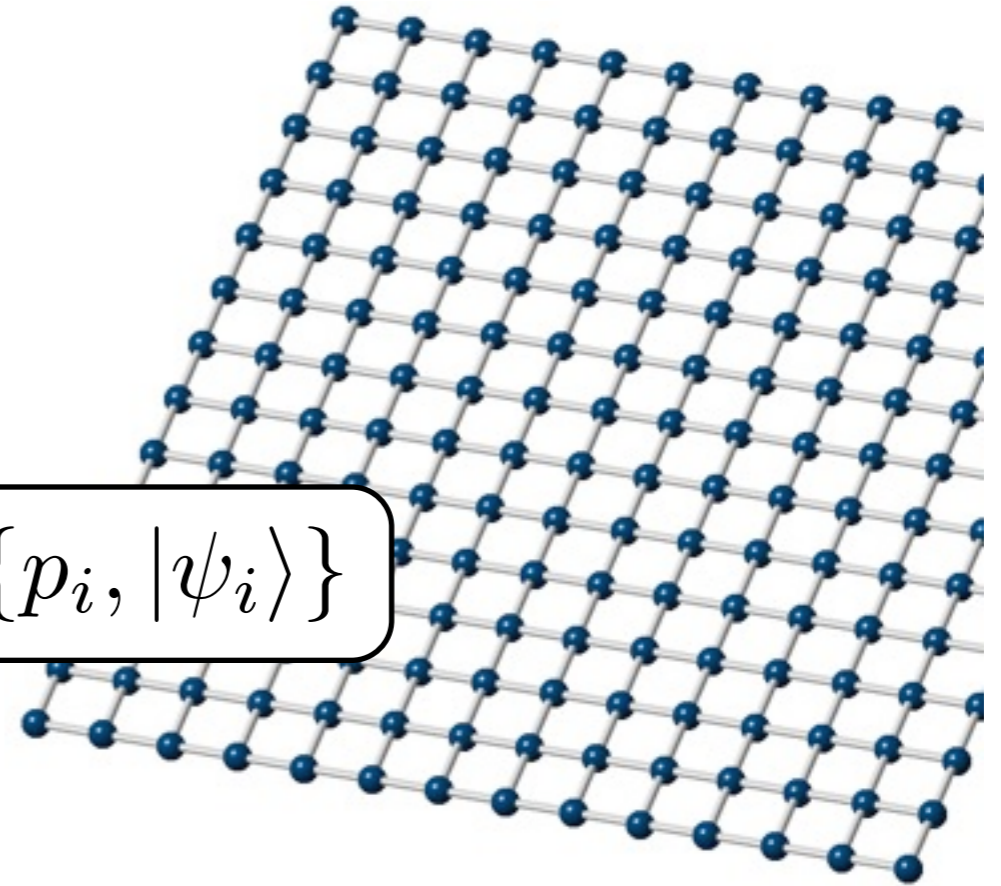
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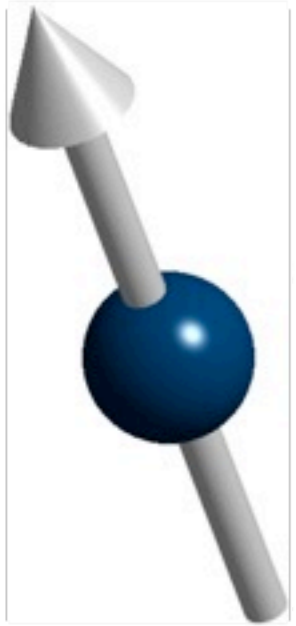
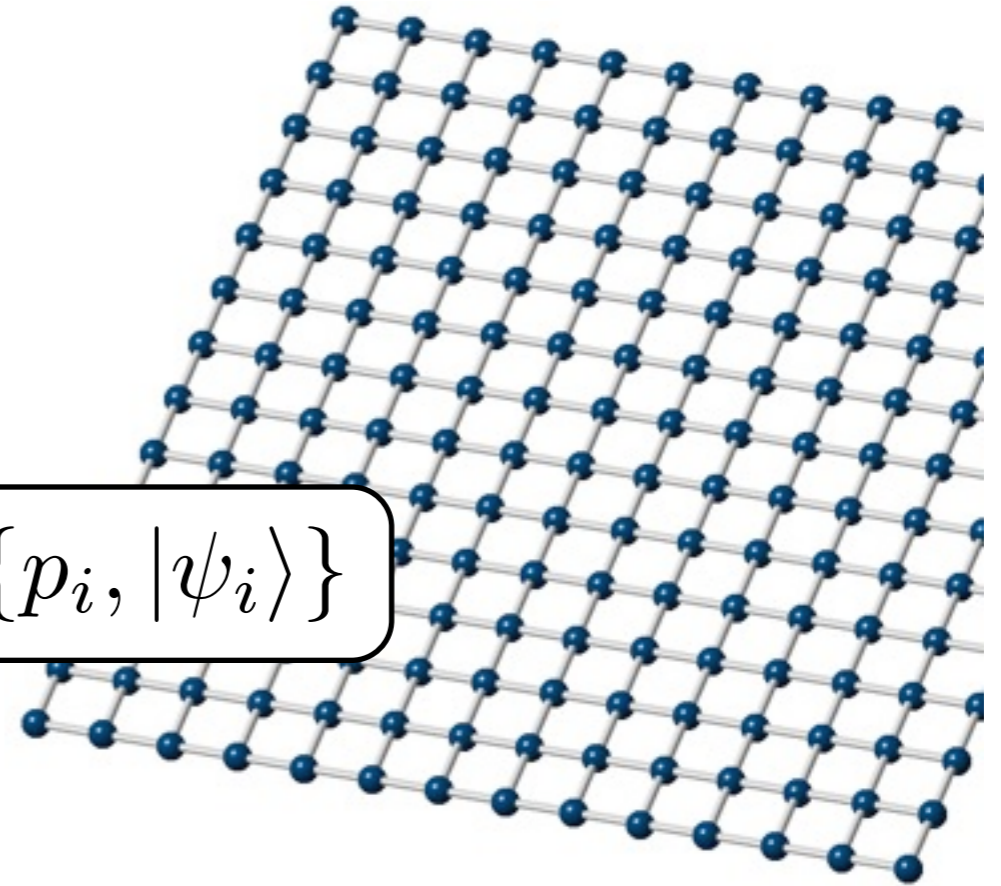


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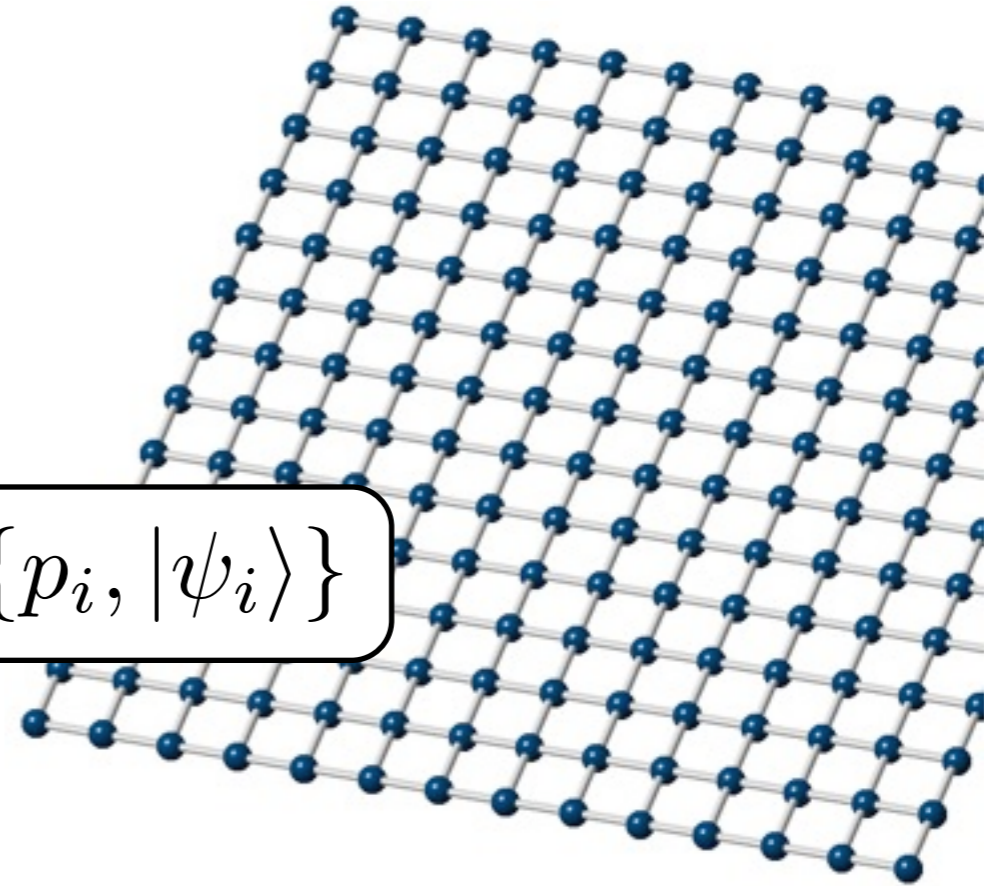


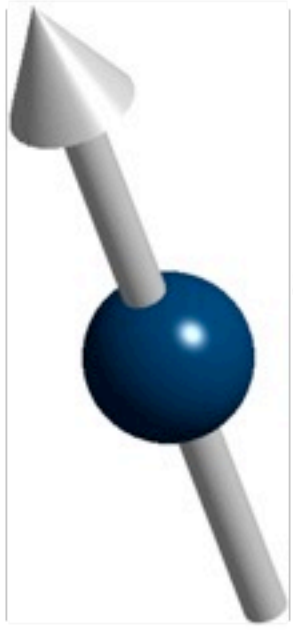
$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(|\downarrow\rangle \langle \downarrow| - \sqrt{3} |\downarrow\rangle \langle \uparrow| - \sqrt{3} |\uparrow\rangle \langle \downarrow| + 3 |\uparrow\rangle \langle \uparrow| \right)$$

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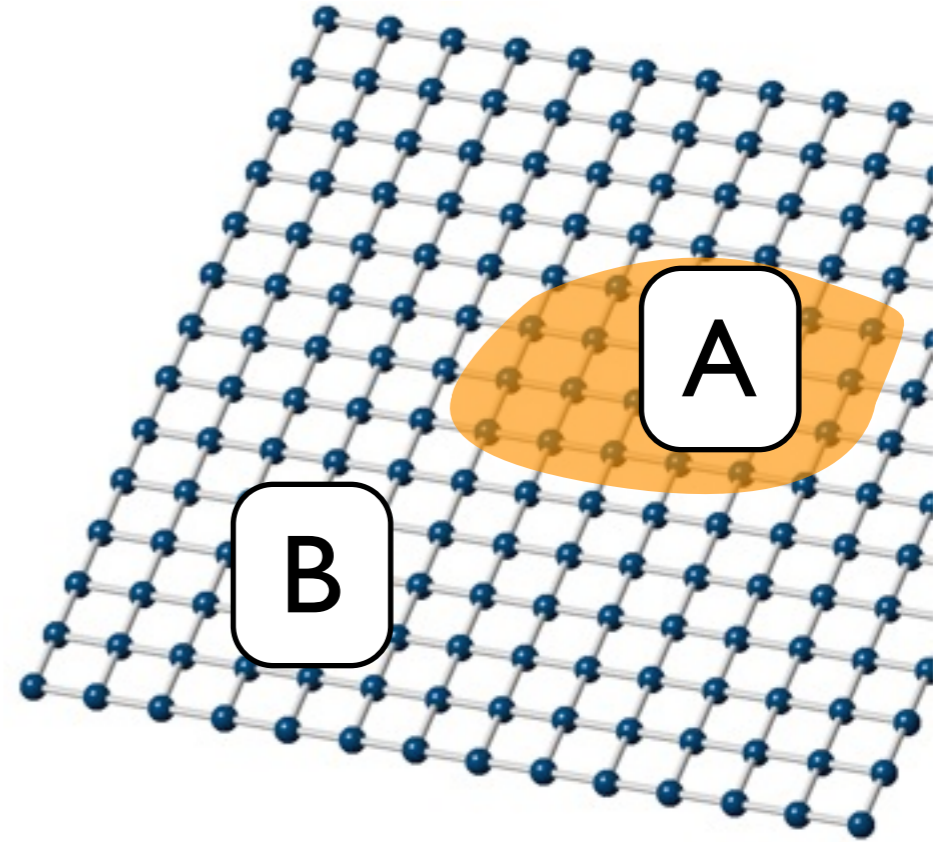
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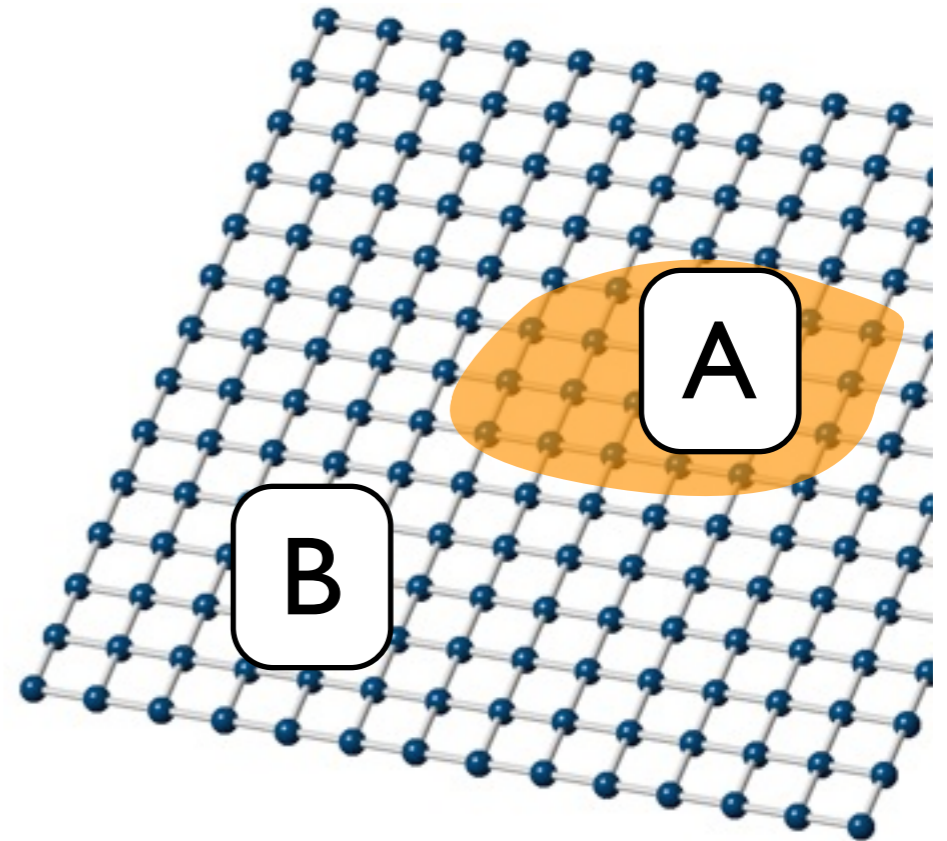
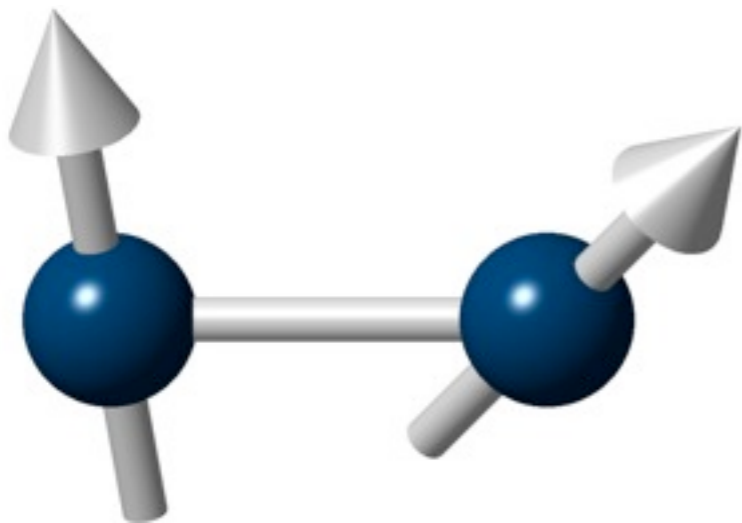
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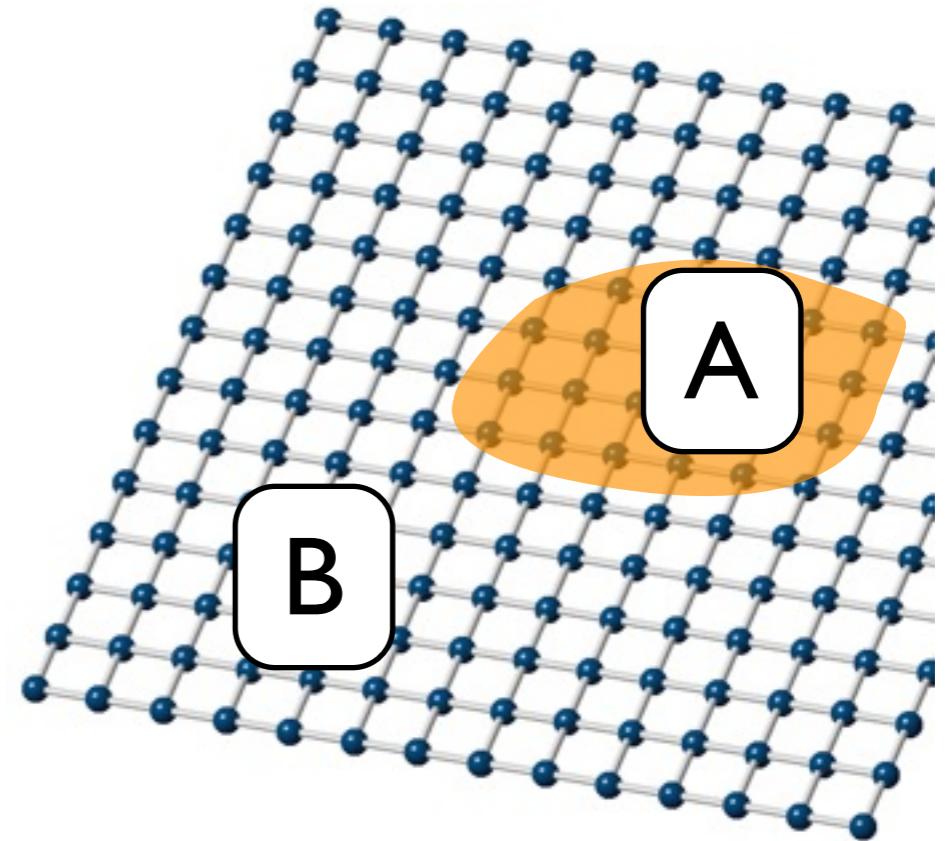
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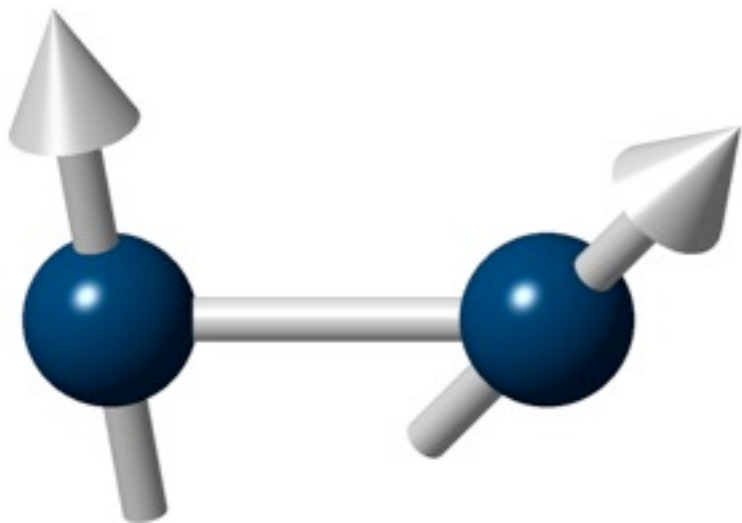


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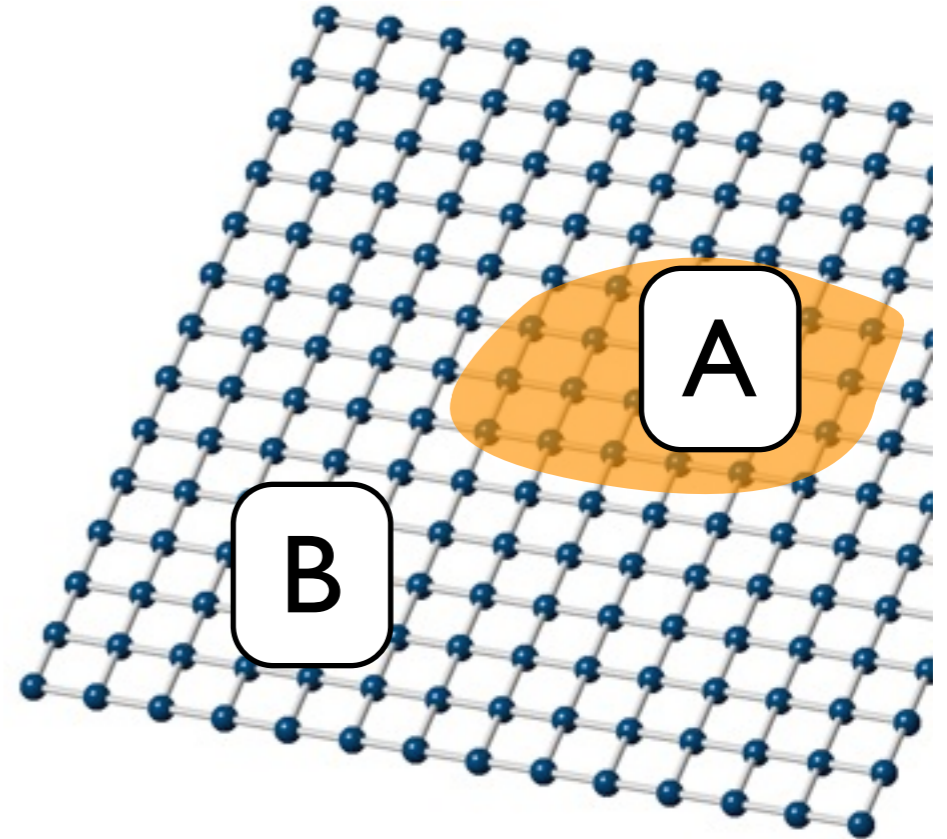


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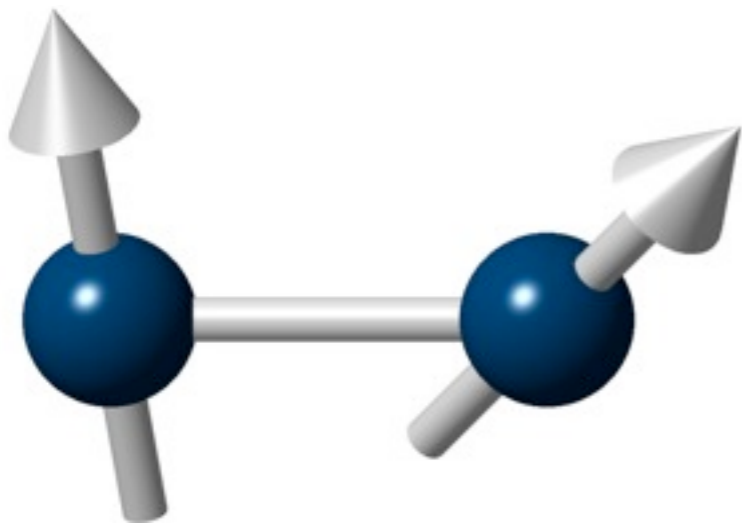
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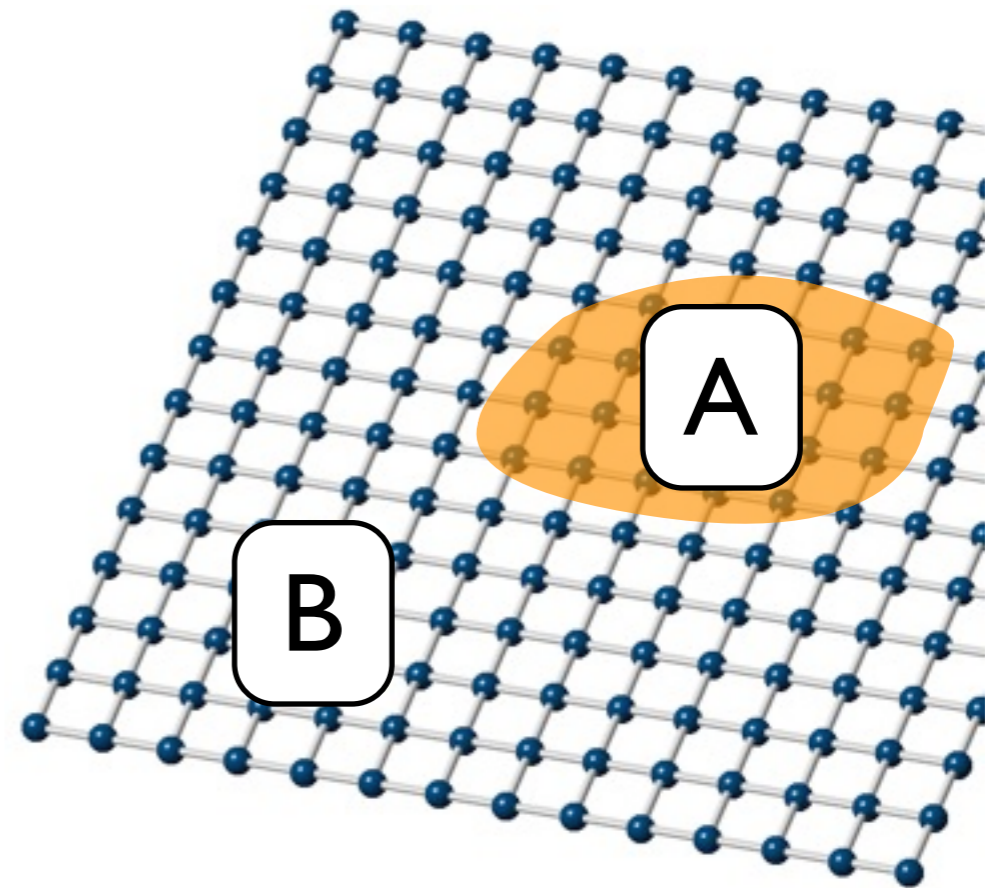
$$\rho_B = \text{tr}_A(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Schmidt decomposition

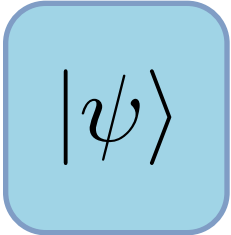
If $|\psi\rangle$ is a pure state:

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_i^{N_{Sch}} \lambda_i |i_A\rangle |i_B\rangle$$



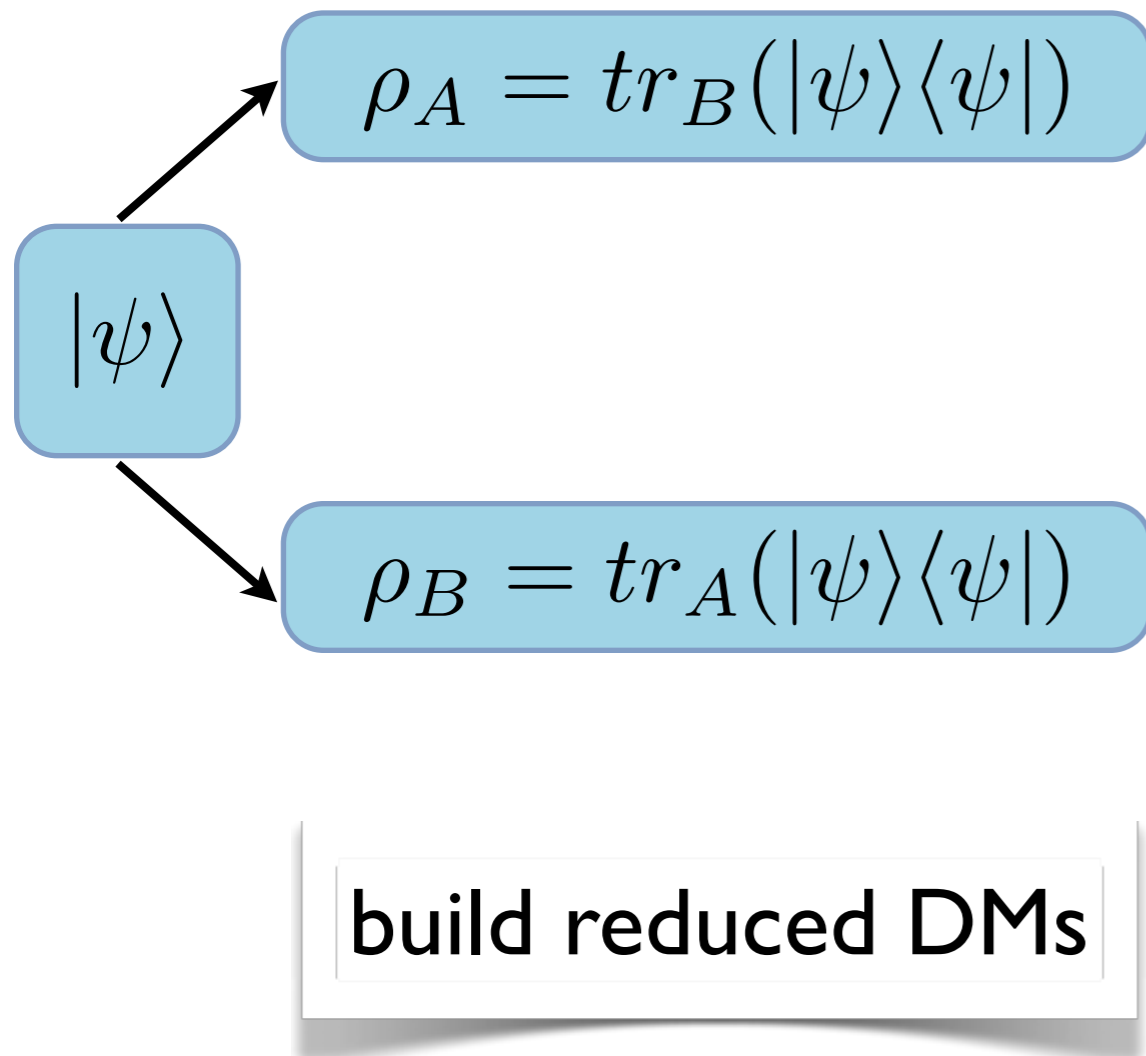
$\lambda_i \geq 0$; $\{|i_A\rangle\}, \{|i_B\rangle\}$ orthonormal basis A, B

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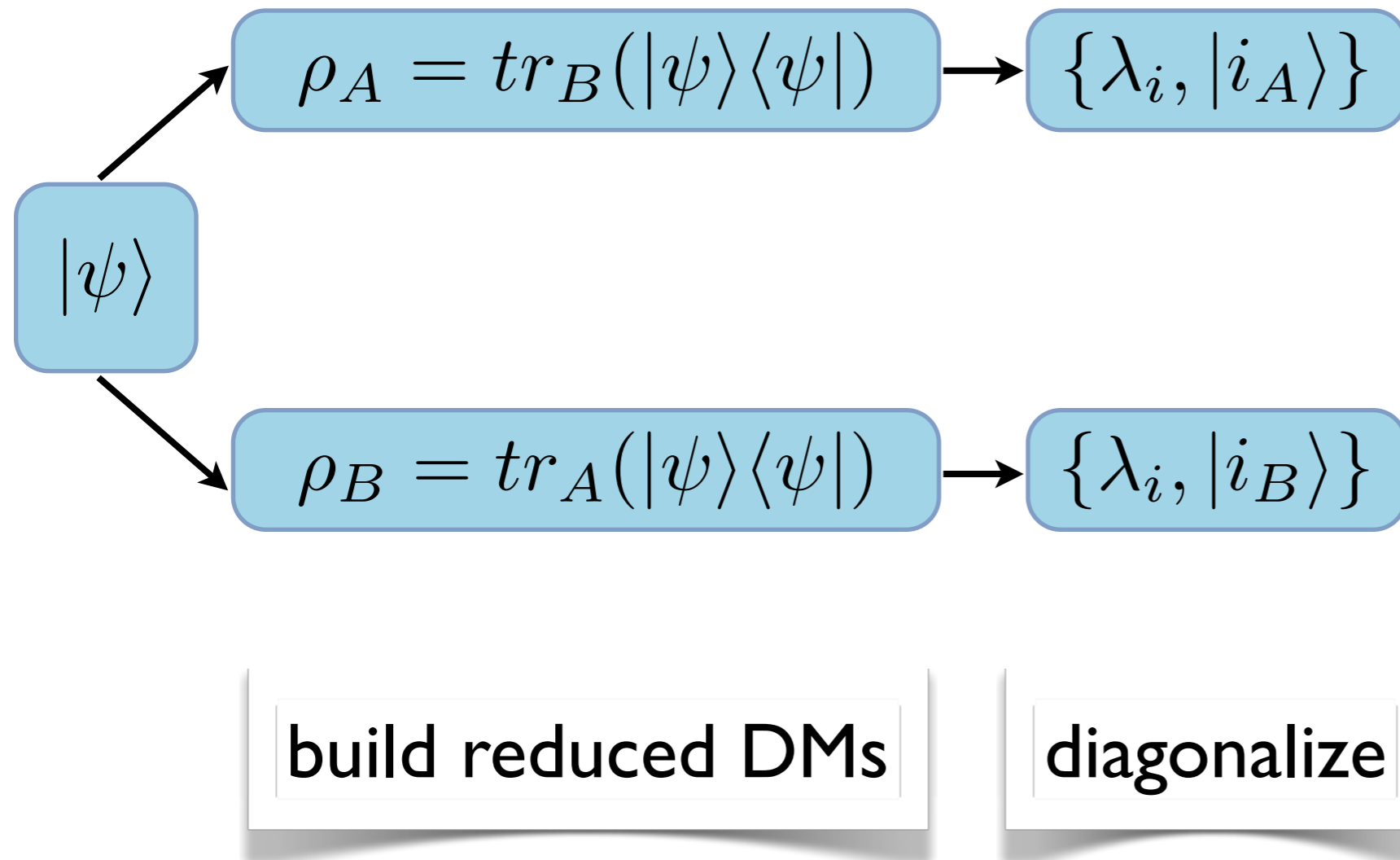


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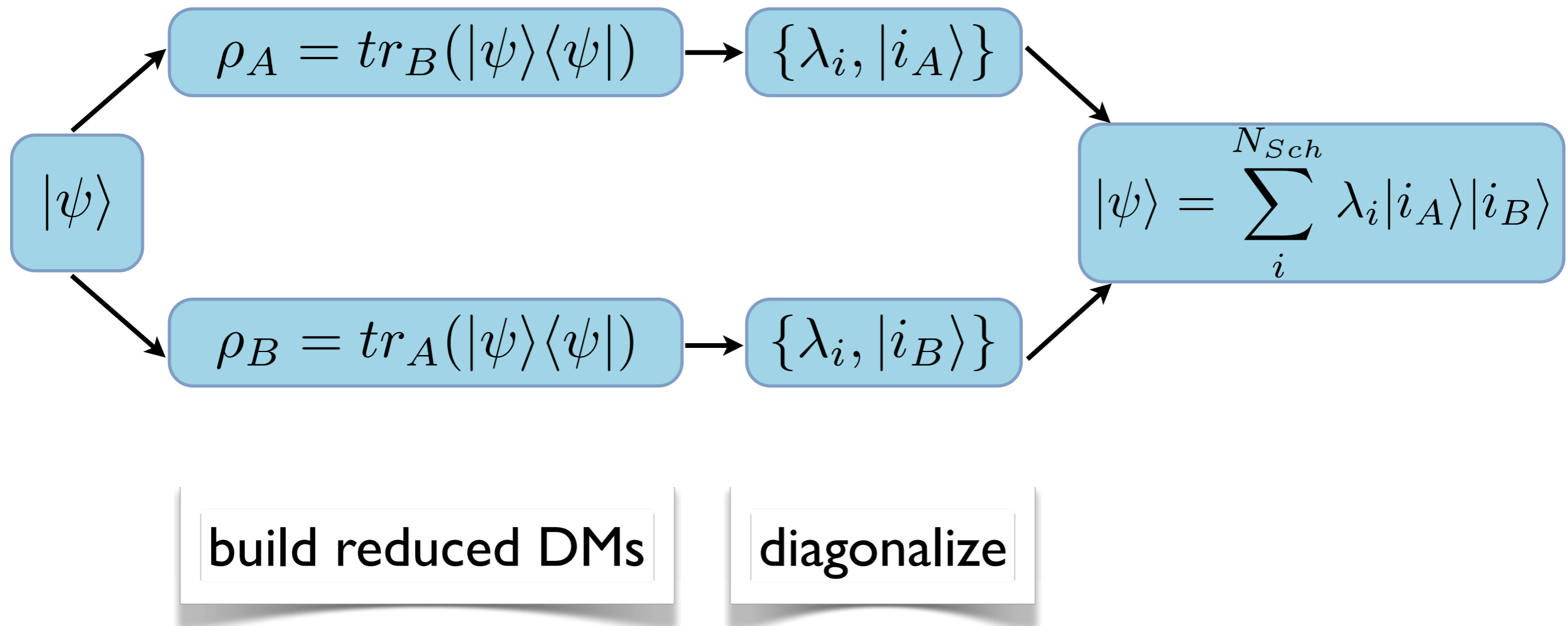
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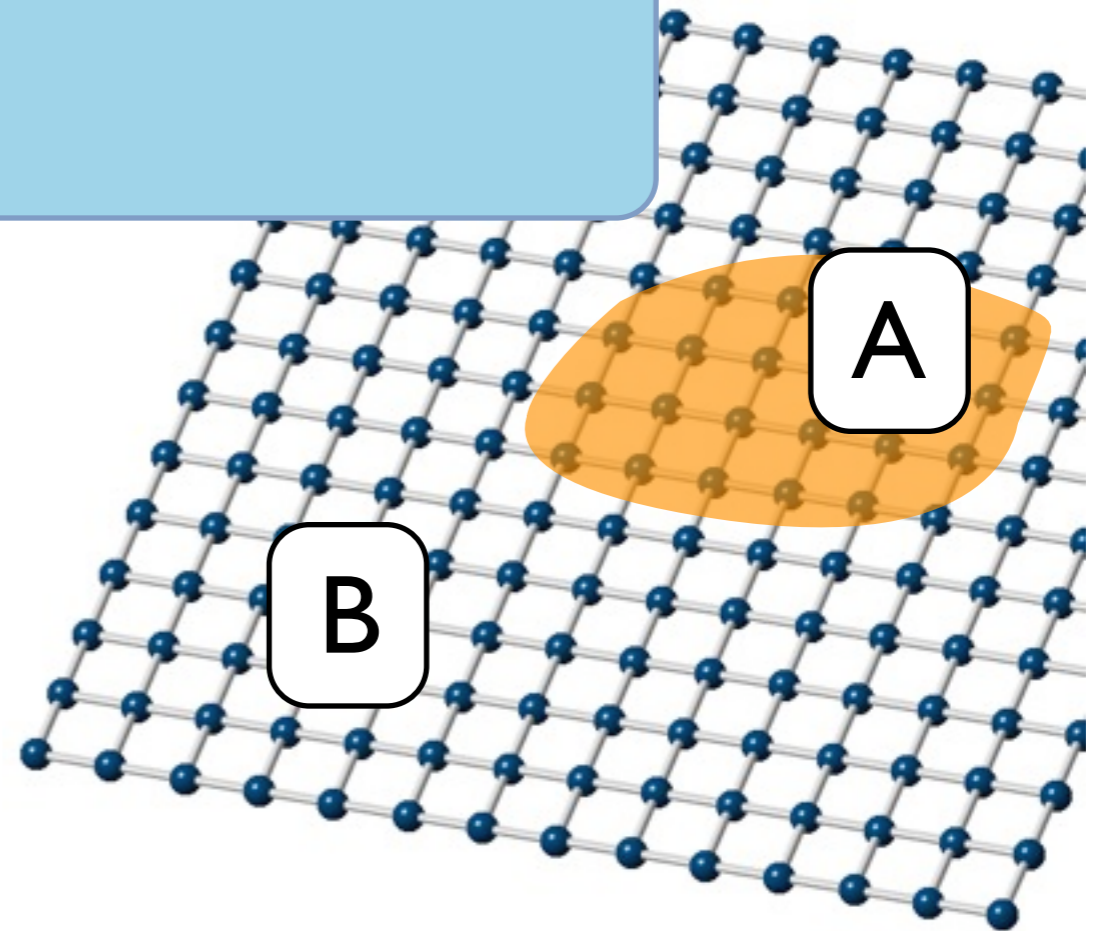
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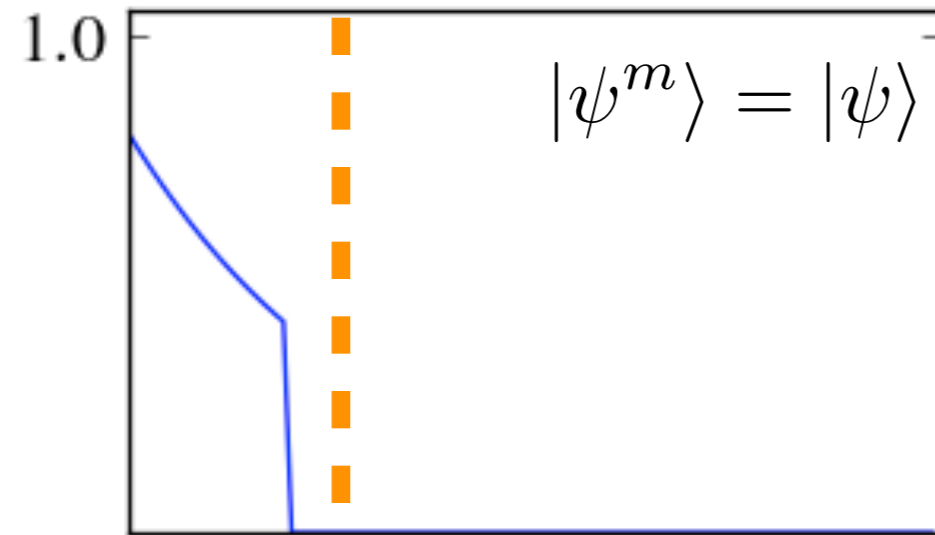
Controlled approximation

$$|\psi\rangle \approx |\psi_{AB}^m\rangle \equiv \sum_i^m \lambda_i |i_A\rangle |i_B\rangle, \quad m < N_{Sch}$$

$$\epsilon = 1 - \sum_{i=m+1}^{N_{Sch}} \lambda_i^2$$

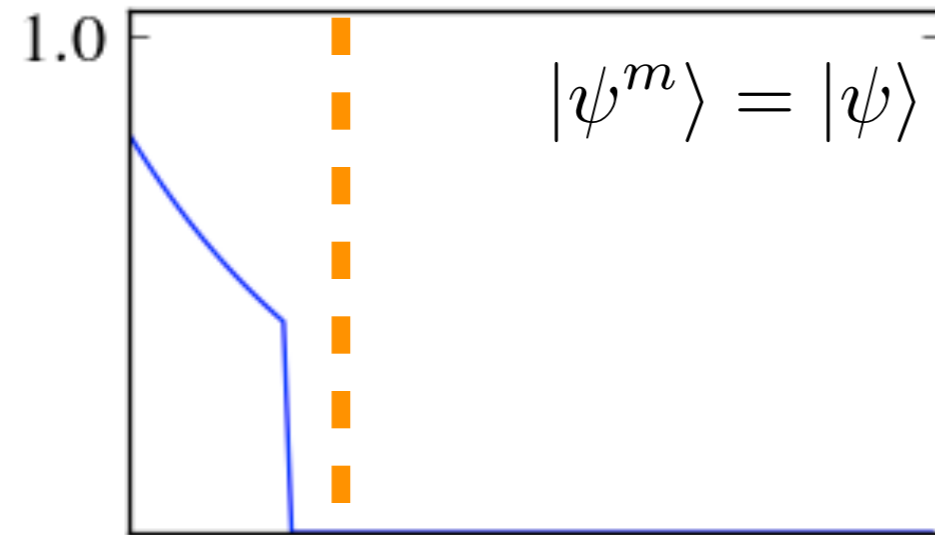


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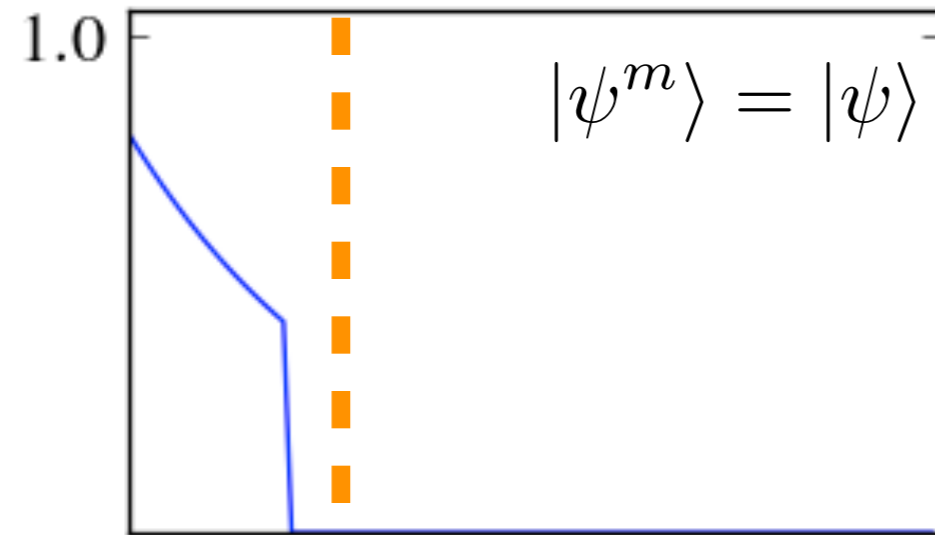
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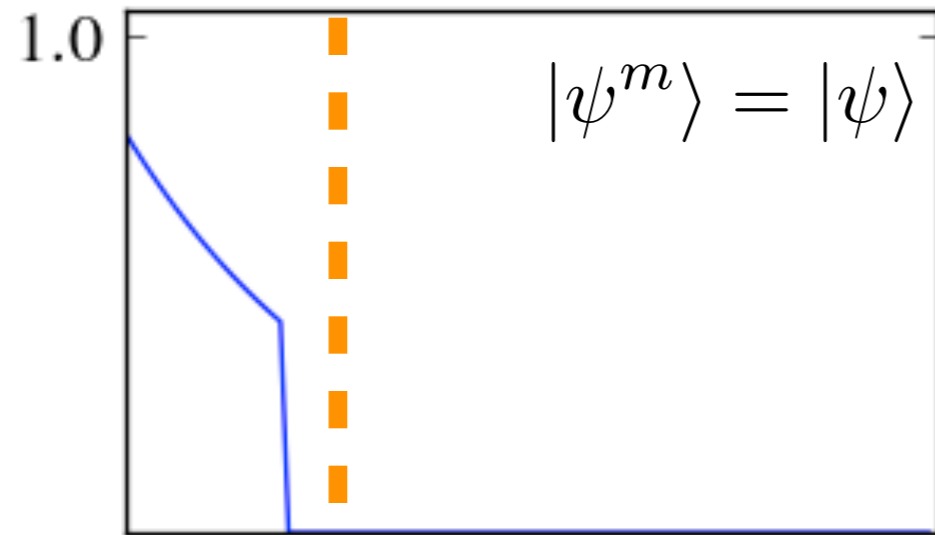
Affleck et al, PRL 59 (1987) 799

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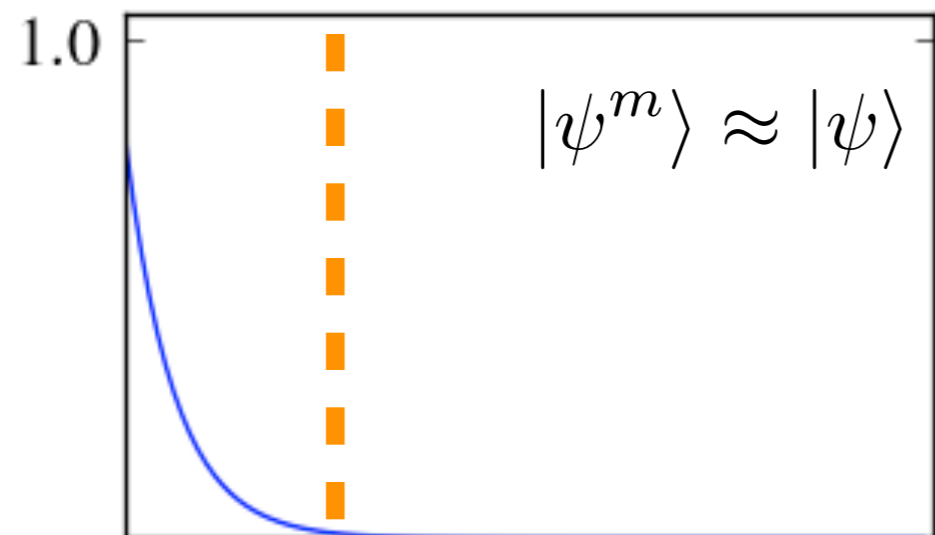


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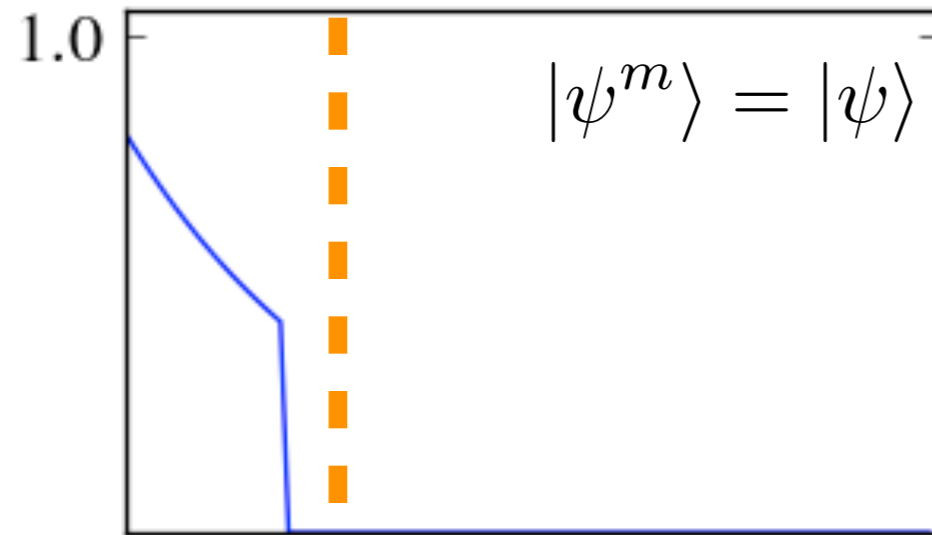


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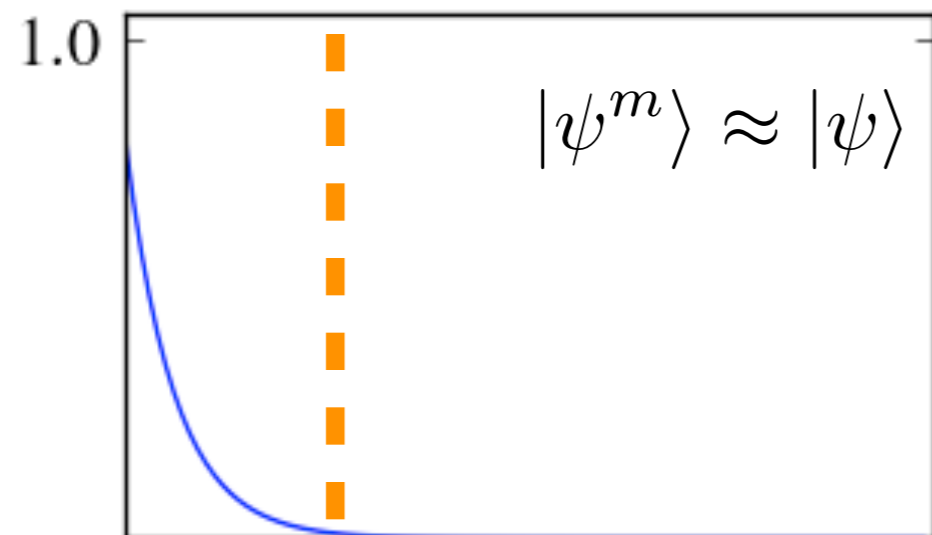


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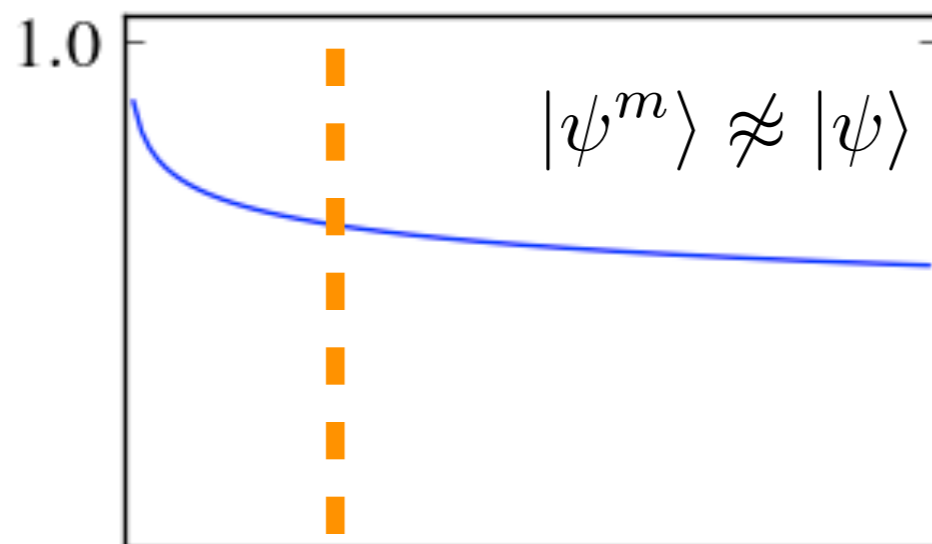
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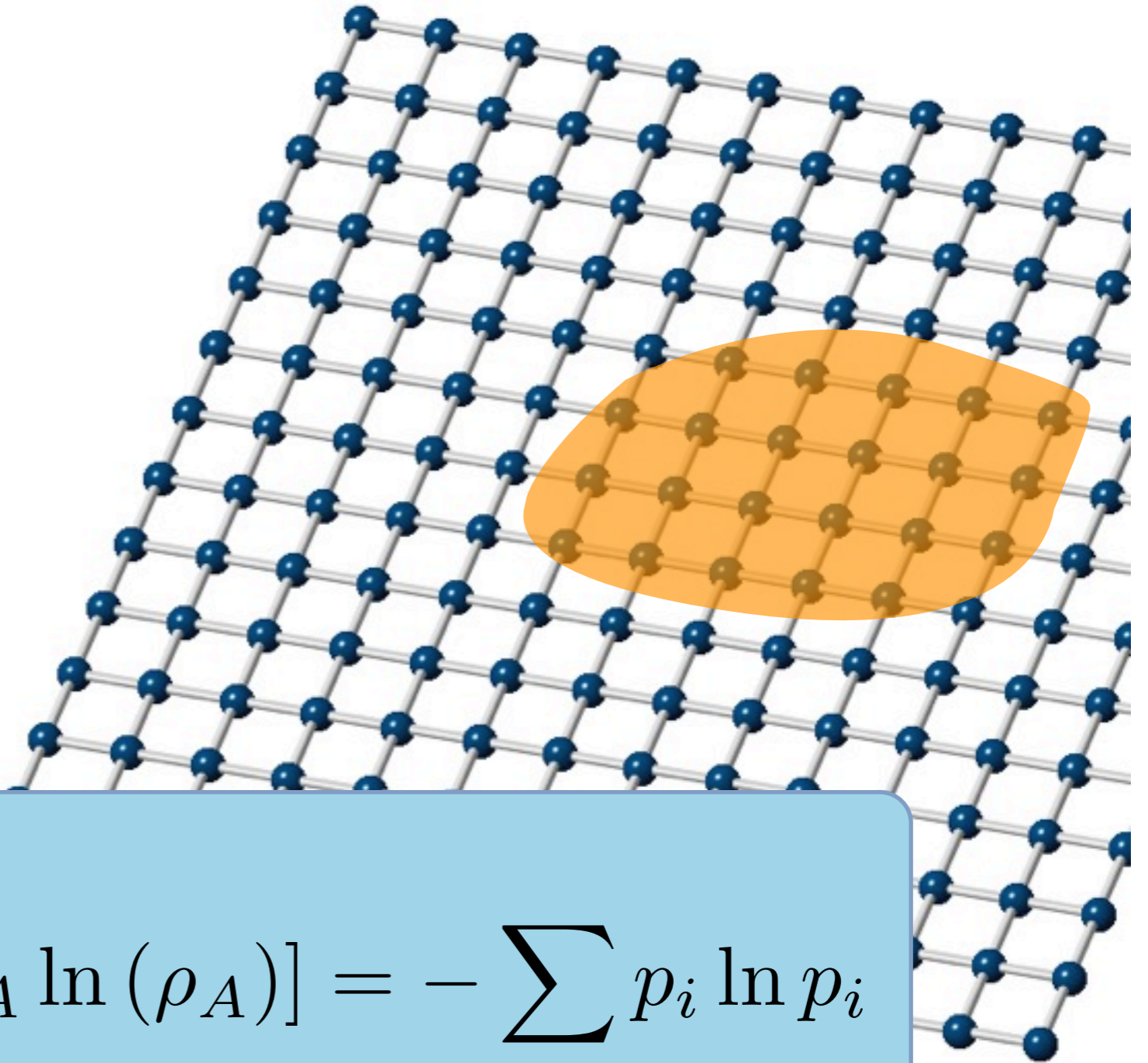


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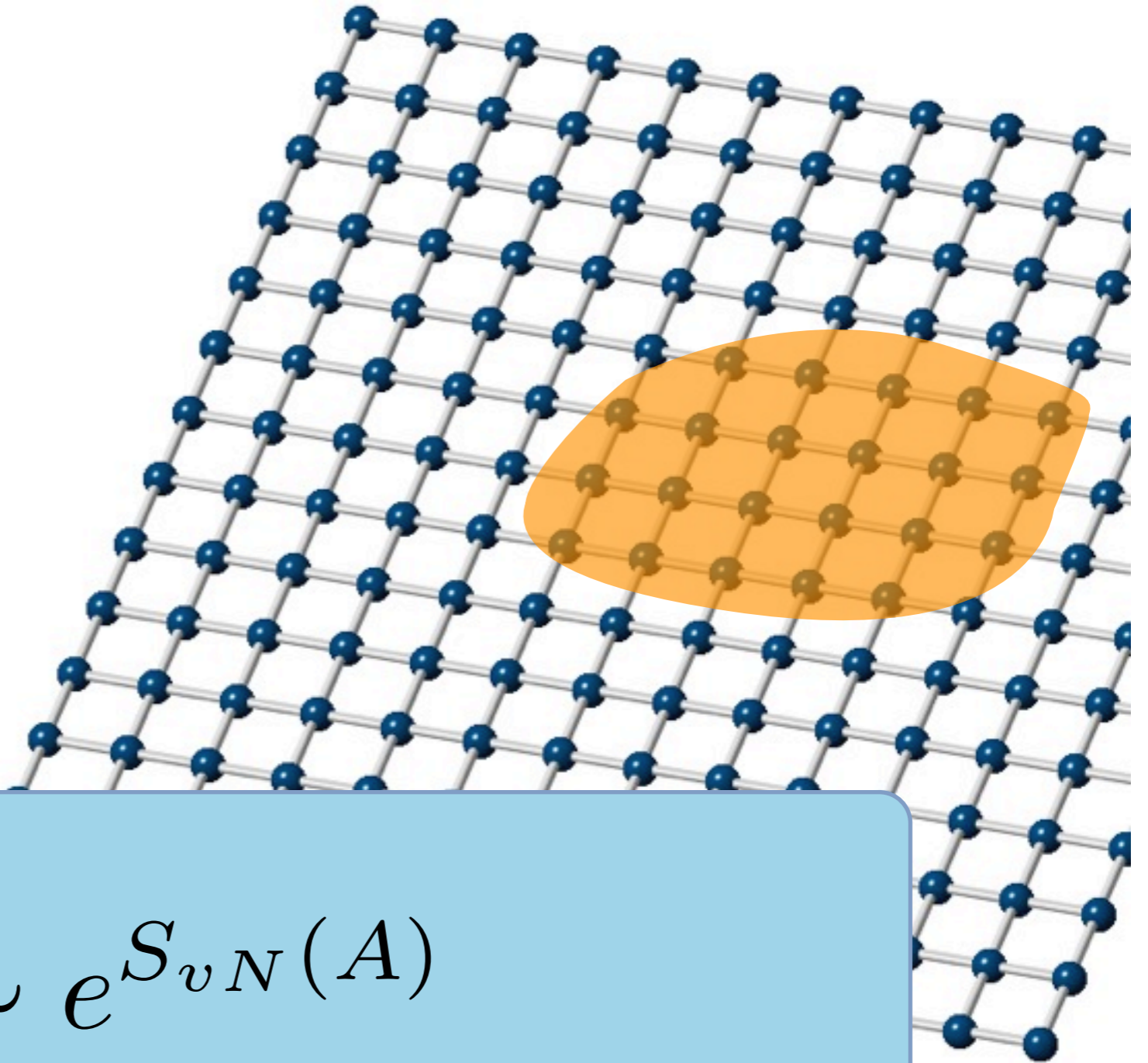
General, incl. 2D

Von Neumann Entropy



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Area law?

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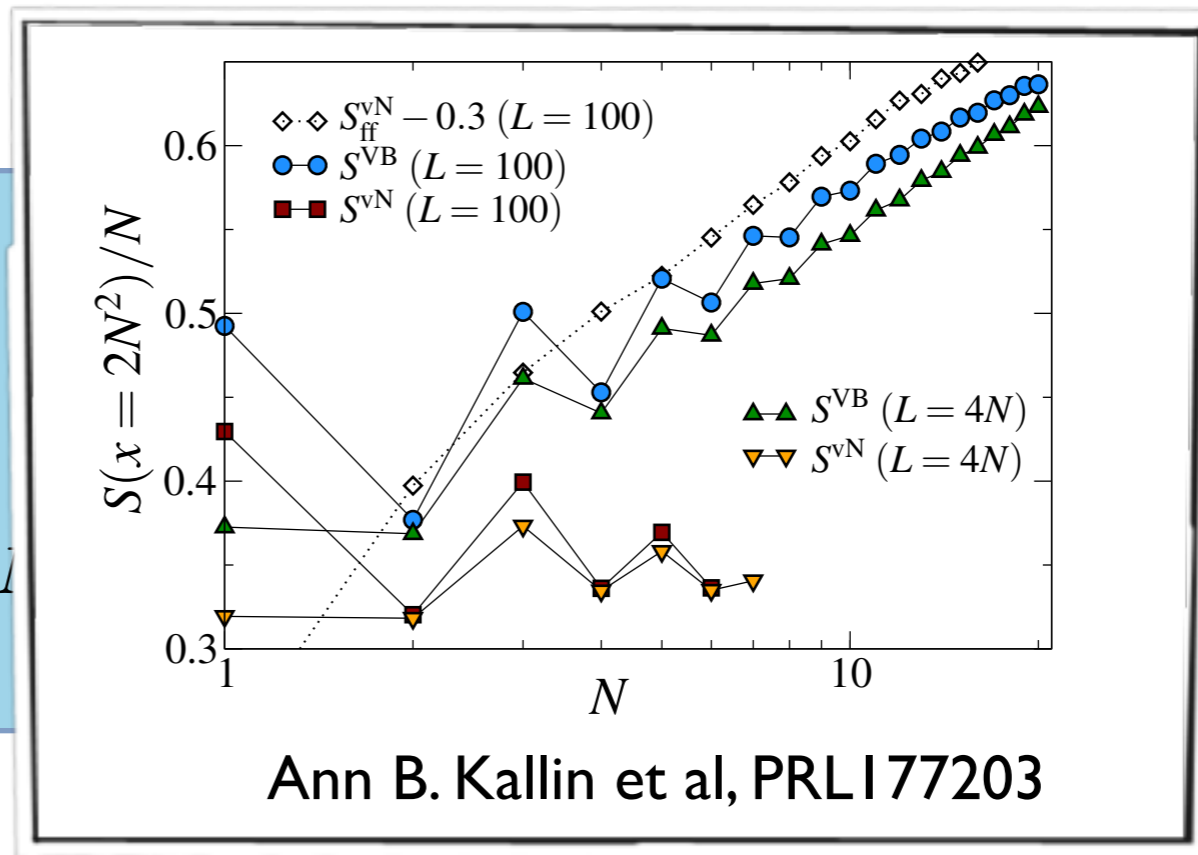
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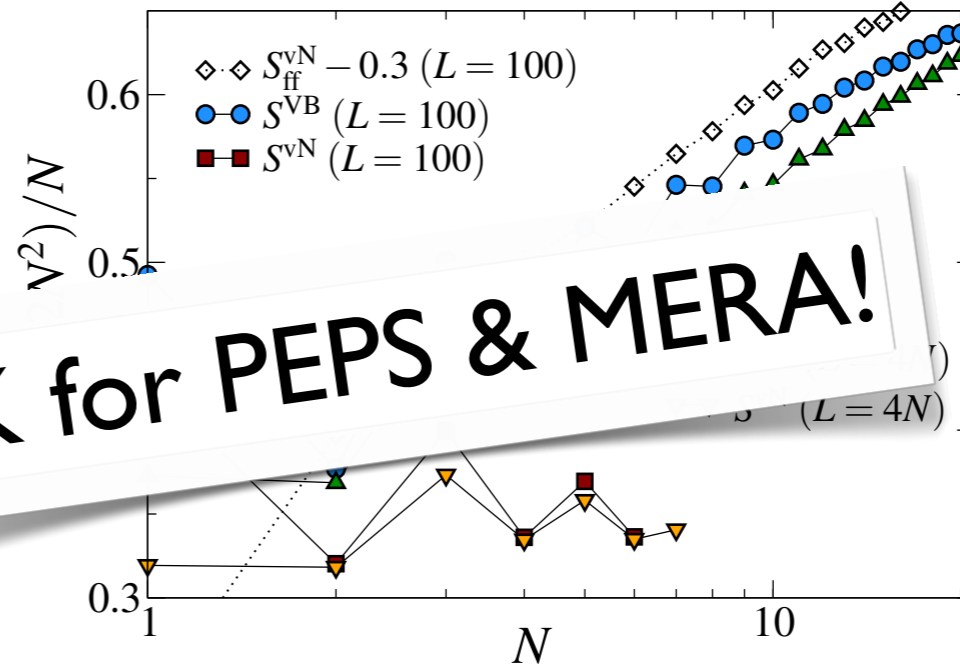
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Ann B. Kallin et al, PRL 177203

$d-1$

Truncating matrices

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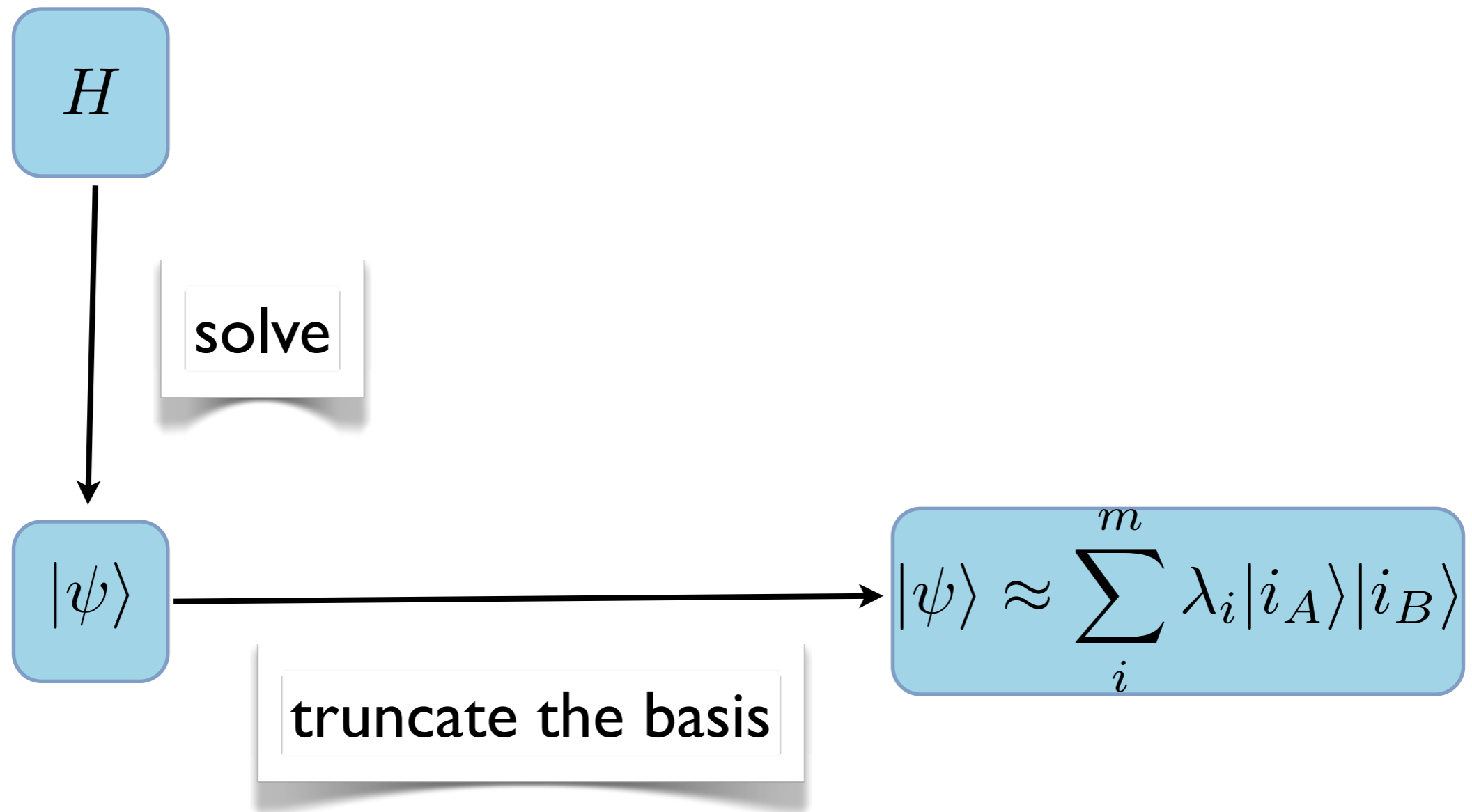
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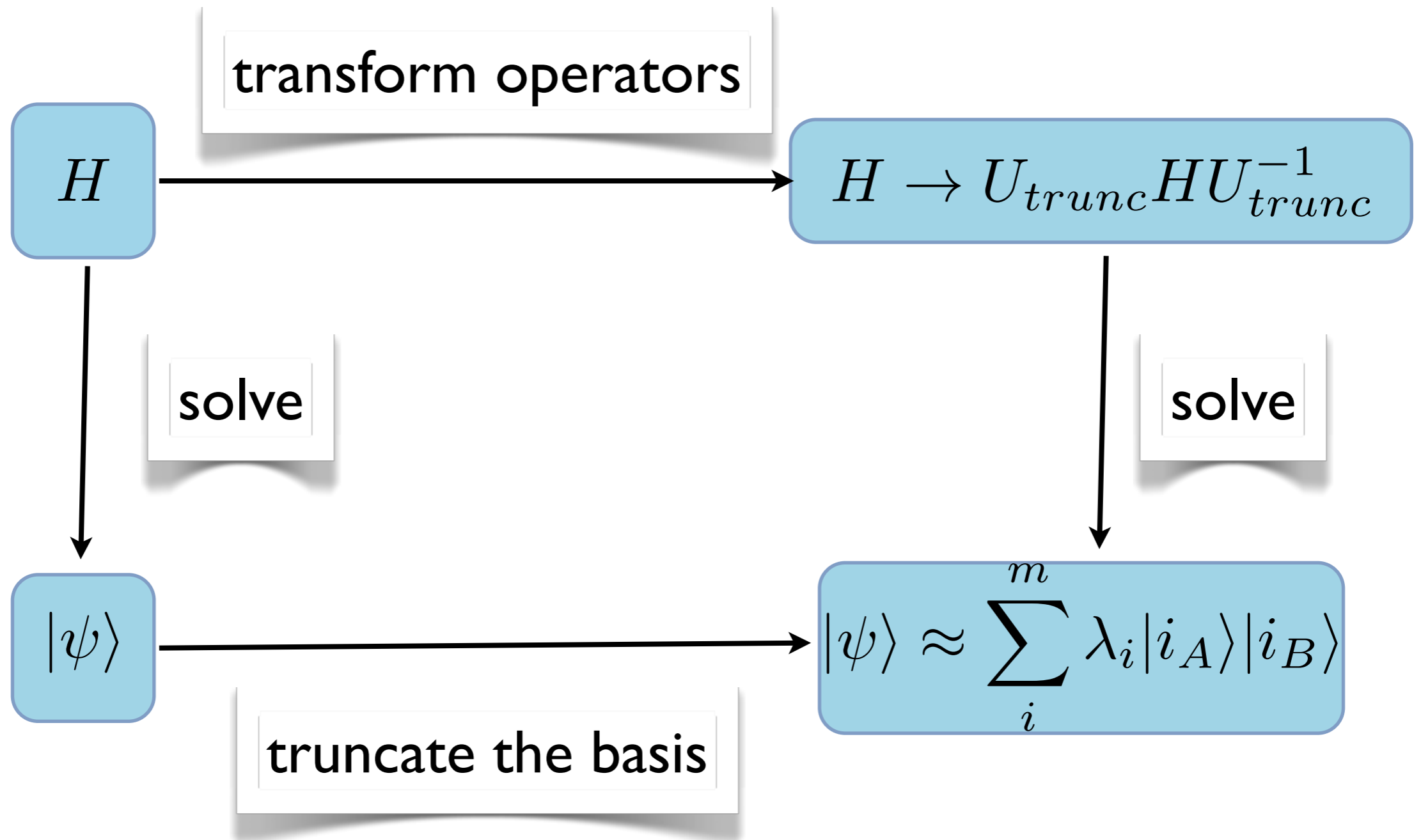
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$U \rightarrow U_{trunc}^m \iff |\psi\rangle \rightarrow |\psi^m\rangle$

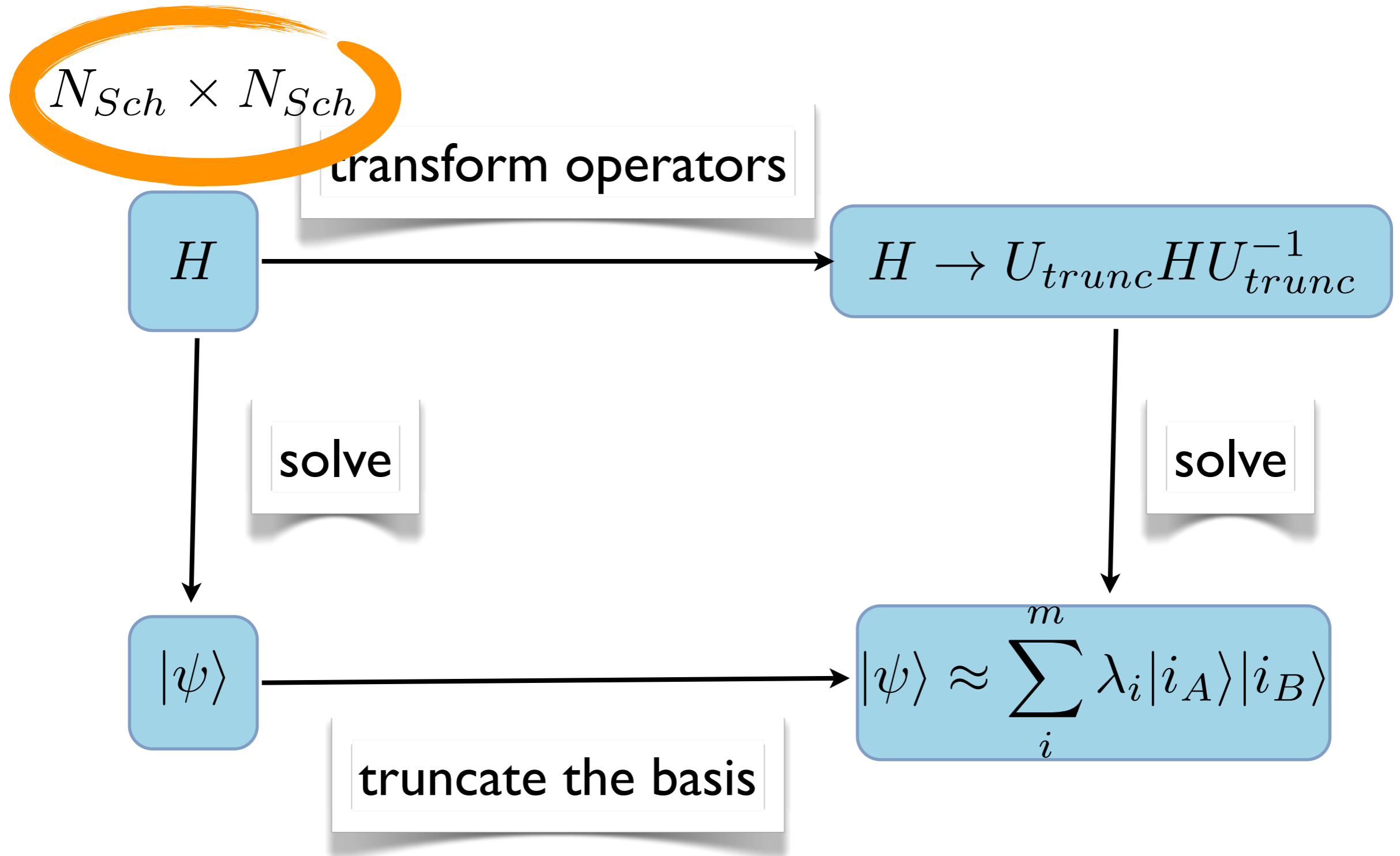
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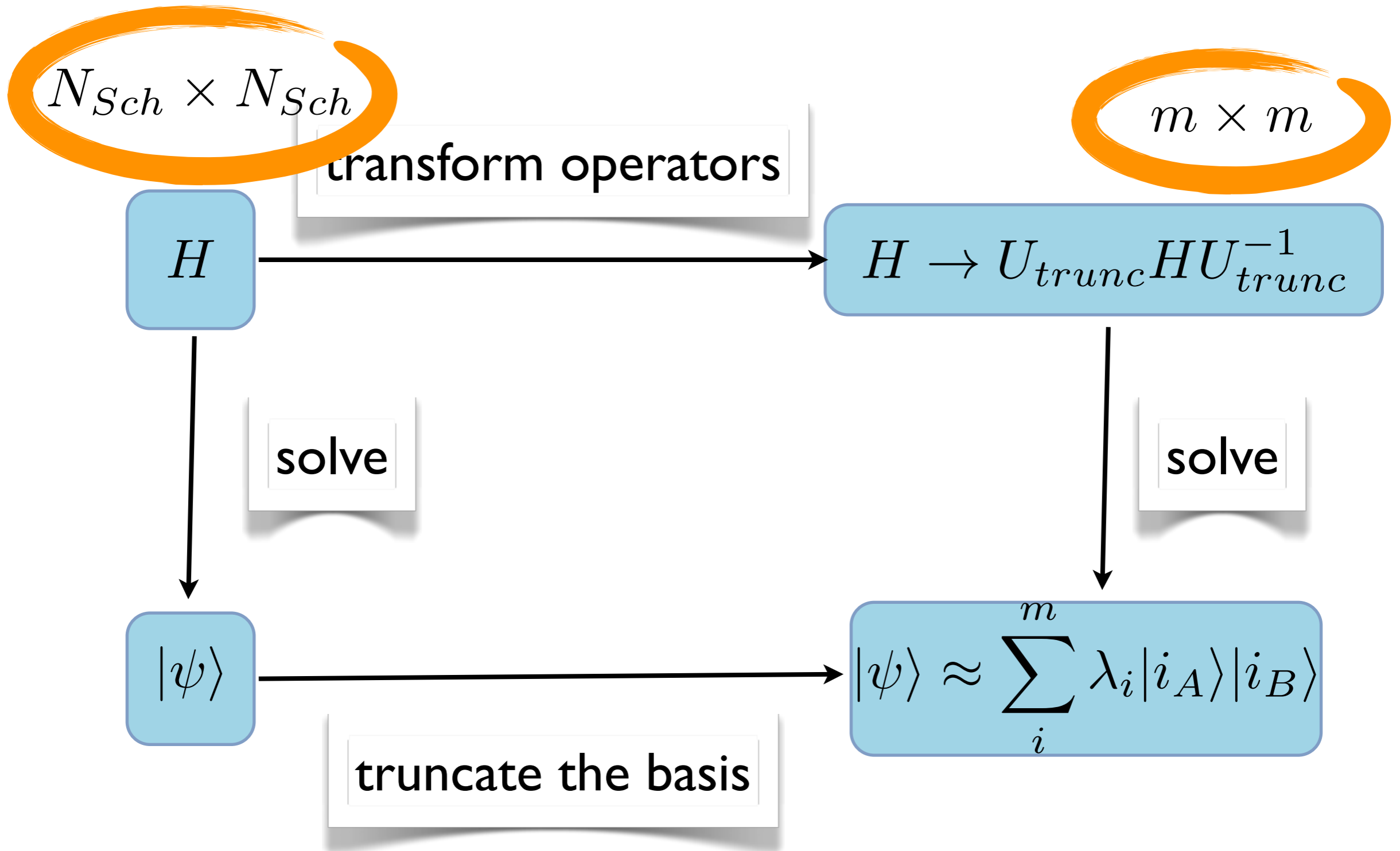
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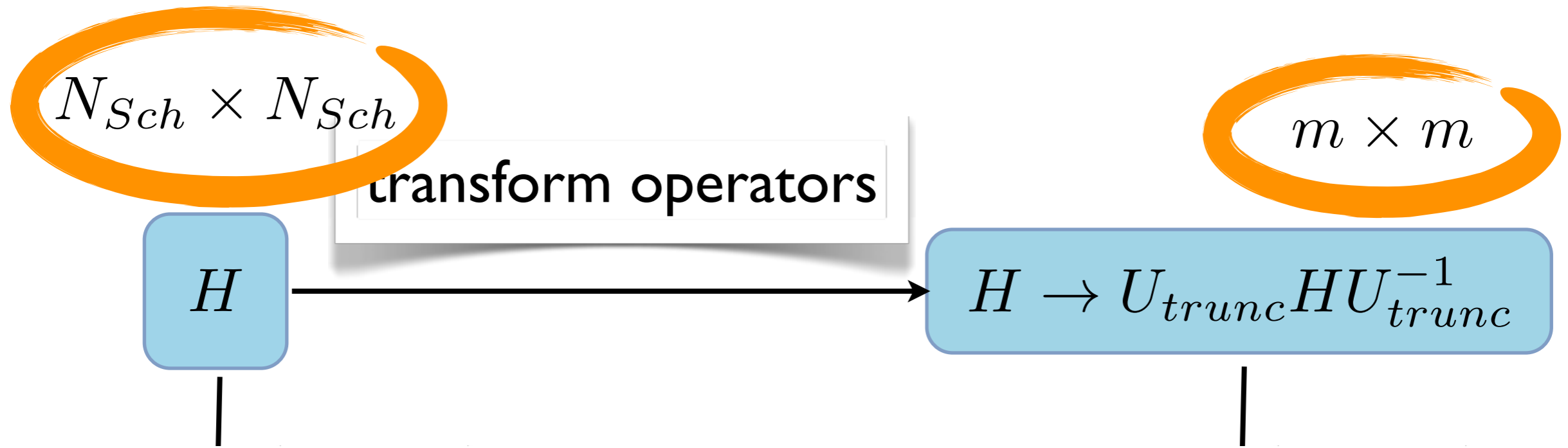
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Way smaller matrix gives the “same”
wavefunction



Recap

- 1D ground states are slightly entangled
- controlled approximation to wavefunction
- reduced DM diagonalization gives RG transformation

III. Implementation of the (two-site) DMRG algorithm

Tutorial code: Heisenberg model

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$$S_{vN}(l) = \frac{1}{6} \ln \left[\frac{2L}{\pi} \sin \left(\frac{\pi l}{L} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} c'_{vN} + \ln g$$

$$m \sim e^{S_{vN}(L/2)} \approx L^{1/6}$$

Calabrese & Cardy JPhysA (2009)

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system

environment

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{\substack{e_{i-1}, \sigma_i, \\ \sigma_{i+1}, b_{i+2}}} c_{e_{i-1}, \sigma_i, \sigma_{i+1}, b_{i+2}} \underbrace{|e_{i-1}\rangle \otimes |\sigma_i\rangle}_{\text{system}} \otimes \underbrace{|\sigma_{i+1}\rangle \otimes |b_{i+2}\rangle}_{\text{environment}}$$

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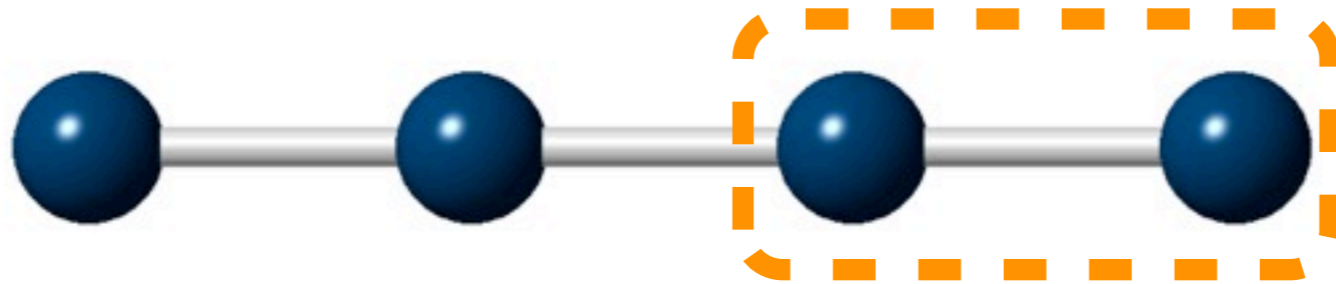
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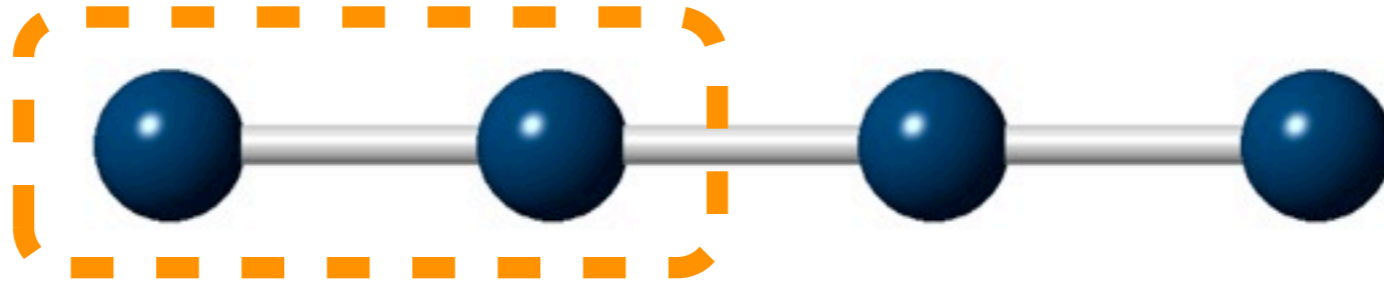
$$H_{se} = (S_x \otimes S_x + S_y \otimes S_y + S_z \otimes S_z)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} H_{abcd} = & \text{system.blockH} \otimes \mathbb{I} + \\ & \mathbb{I} \otimes \text{environ.blockH} + \\ & (S_x \otimes S_x + S_y \otimes S_y + S_z \otimes S_z) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\text{blockH}' = U_{trunc} * \text{system.blockH} * U_{trunc}^T$$

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$$Sx' \otimes \sigma^x + Sy' \otimes \sigma^y + Sz' \otimes \sigma^z$$

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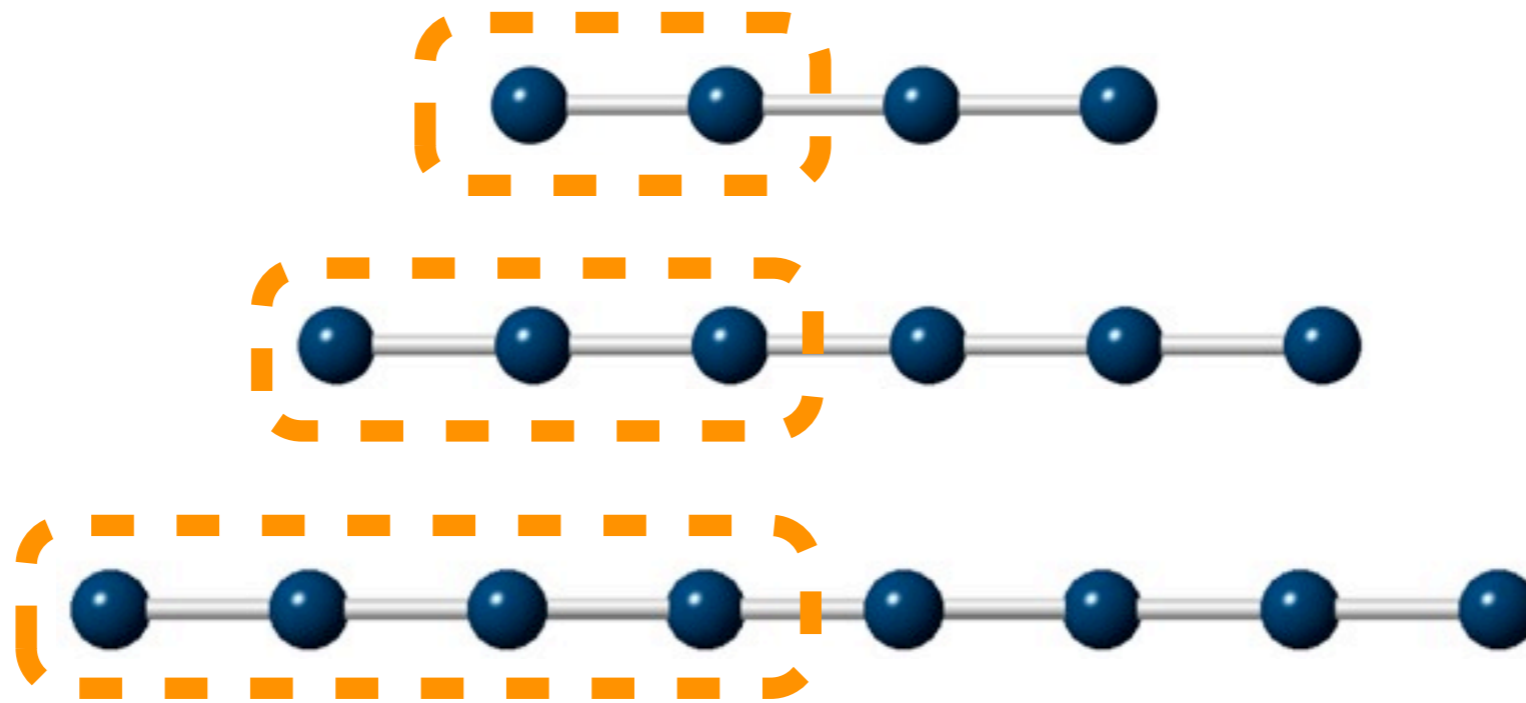


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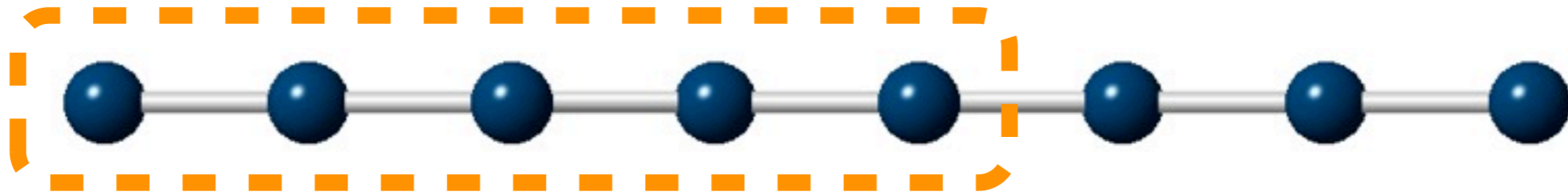
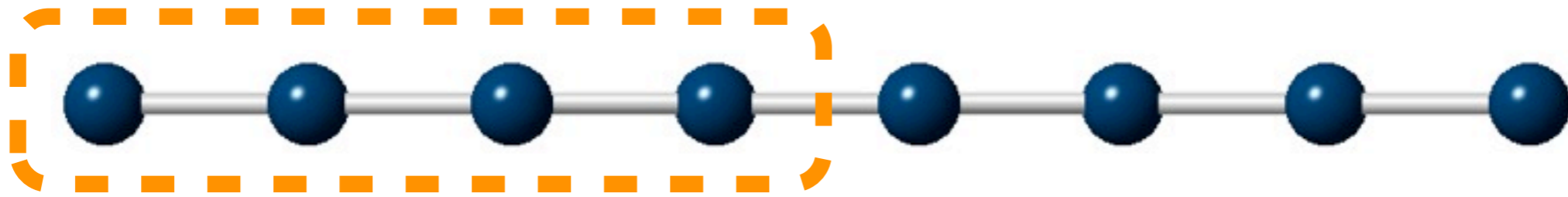


Growing the system

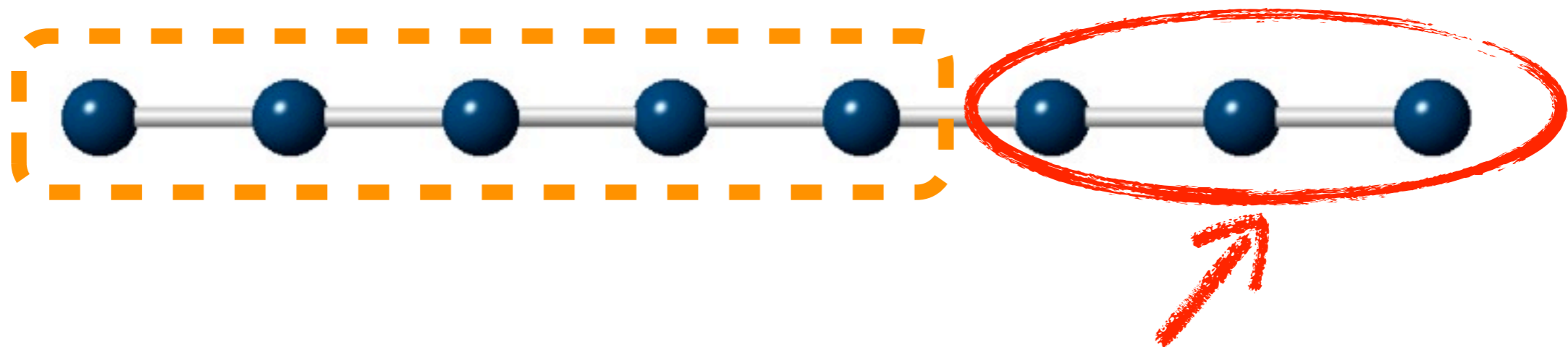
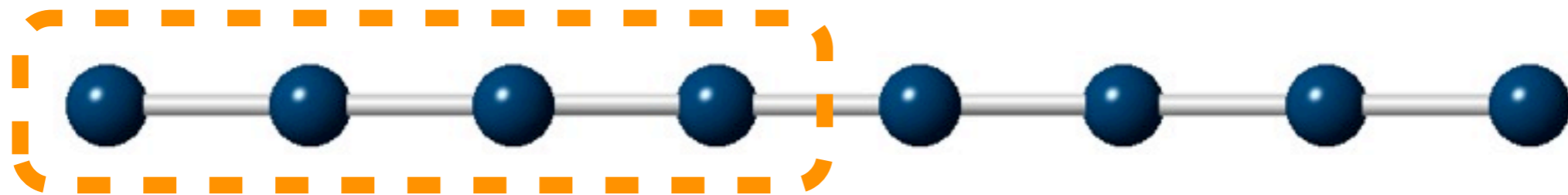


aka. infinite-size algorithm

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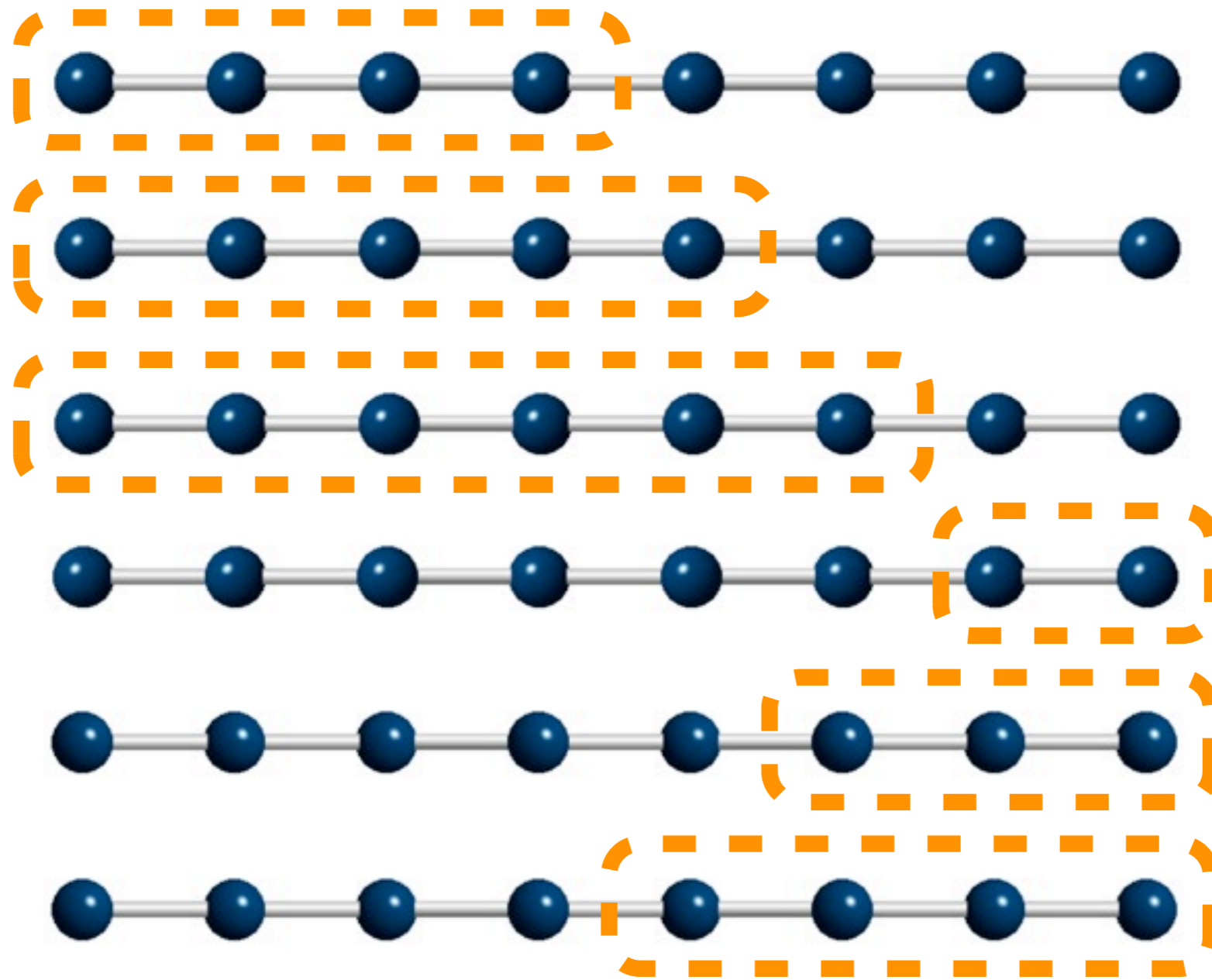


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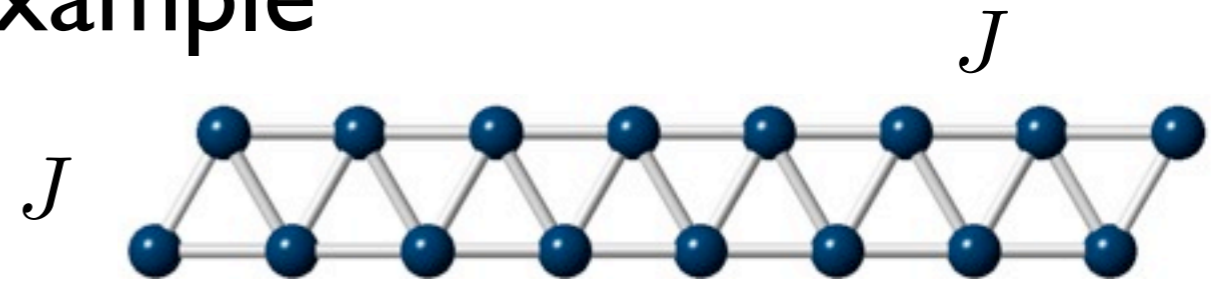
Use old operators here

First sweep to the left, then sweep to the right

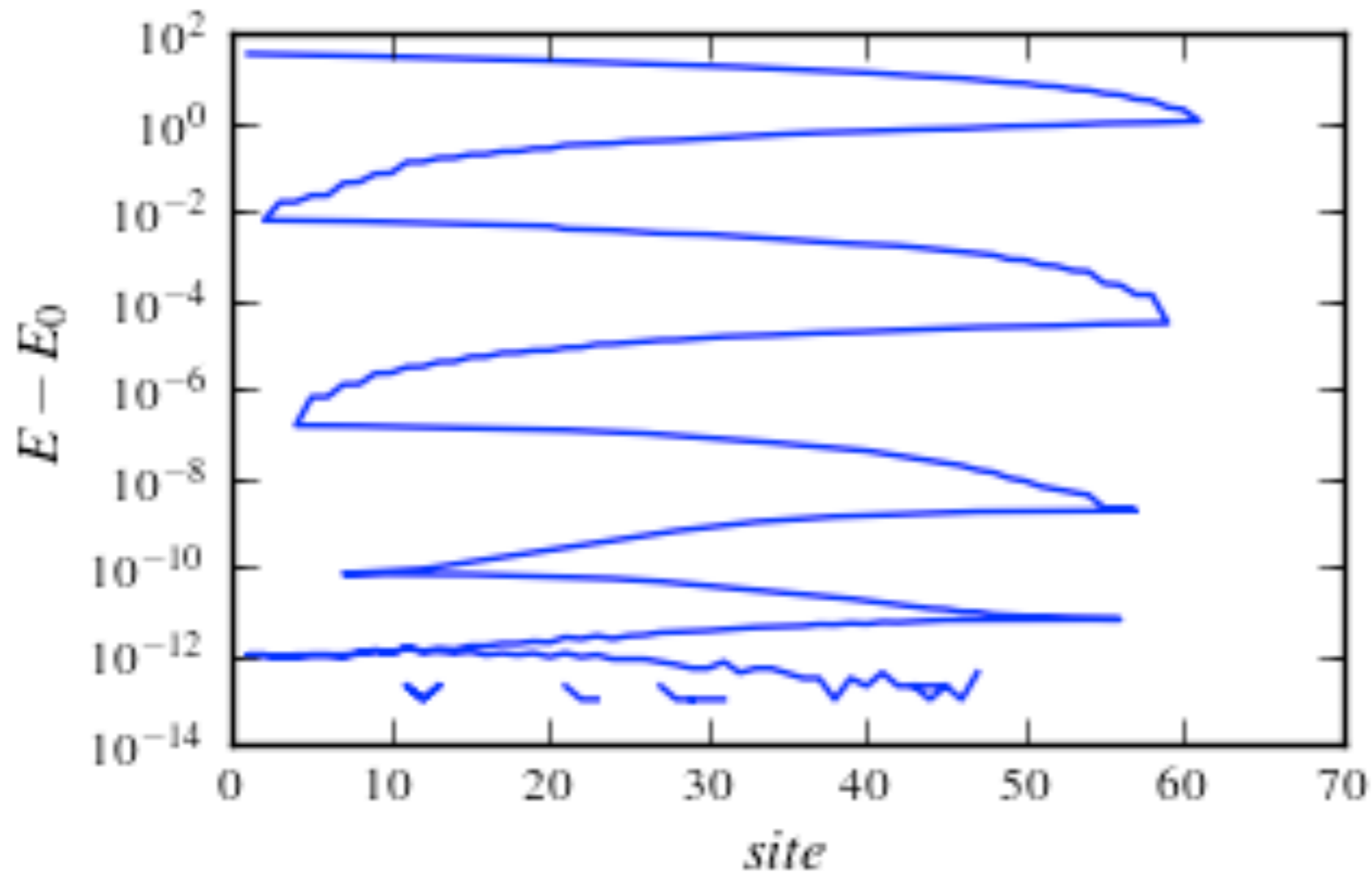


aka. finite-size algorithm

A real-life example



$$H = J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$



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IV. Becoming a pro

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<http://boulder.research.yale.edu/Boulder-2010/Lectures/White/>

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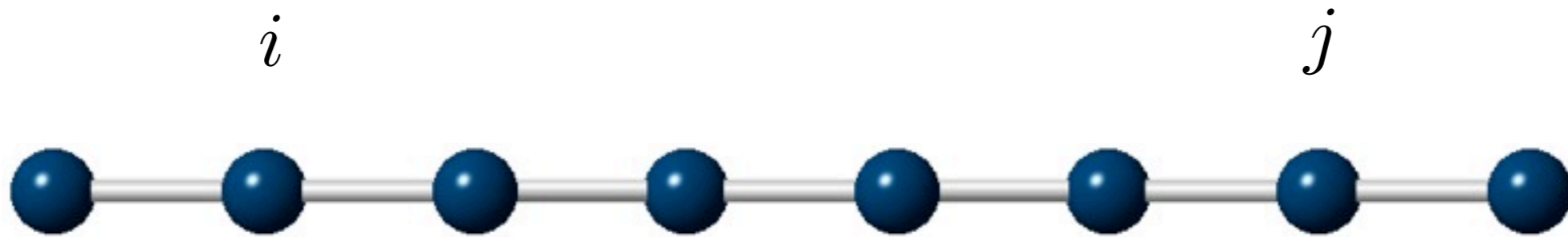
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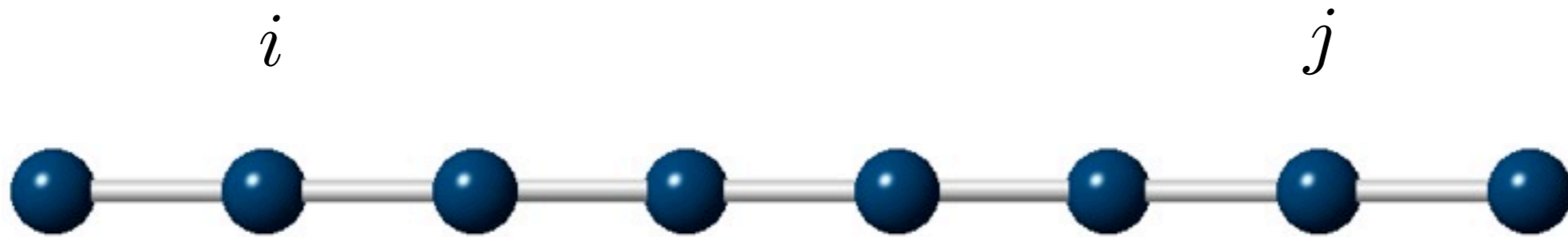


$$\langle \psi | S_i^z S_j^z | \psi \rangle \approx \langle \psi_{L/2}^m | \tilde{S}_i^z \tilde{S}_j^z | \psi_{L/2}^m \rangle$$

$$\tilde{S}_i^z = O(i, L/2) S_i^z O^t(i, L/2),$$

$$O(i, L/2) = U_{trunc}(i) U_{trunc}(i+1) \cdots U_{trunc}(L/2)$$

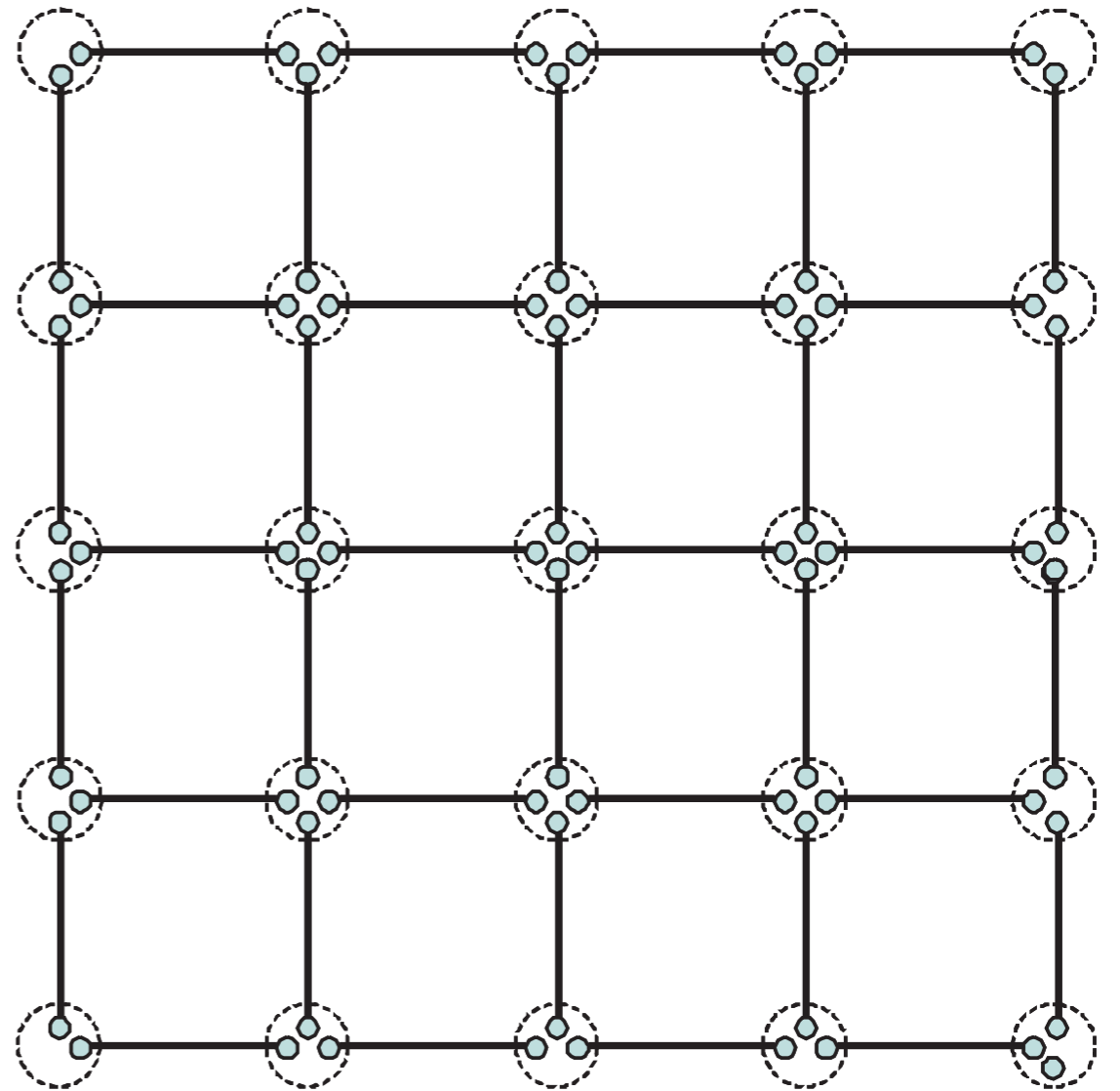
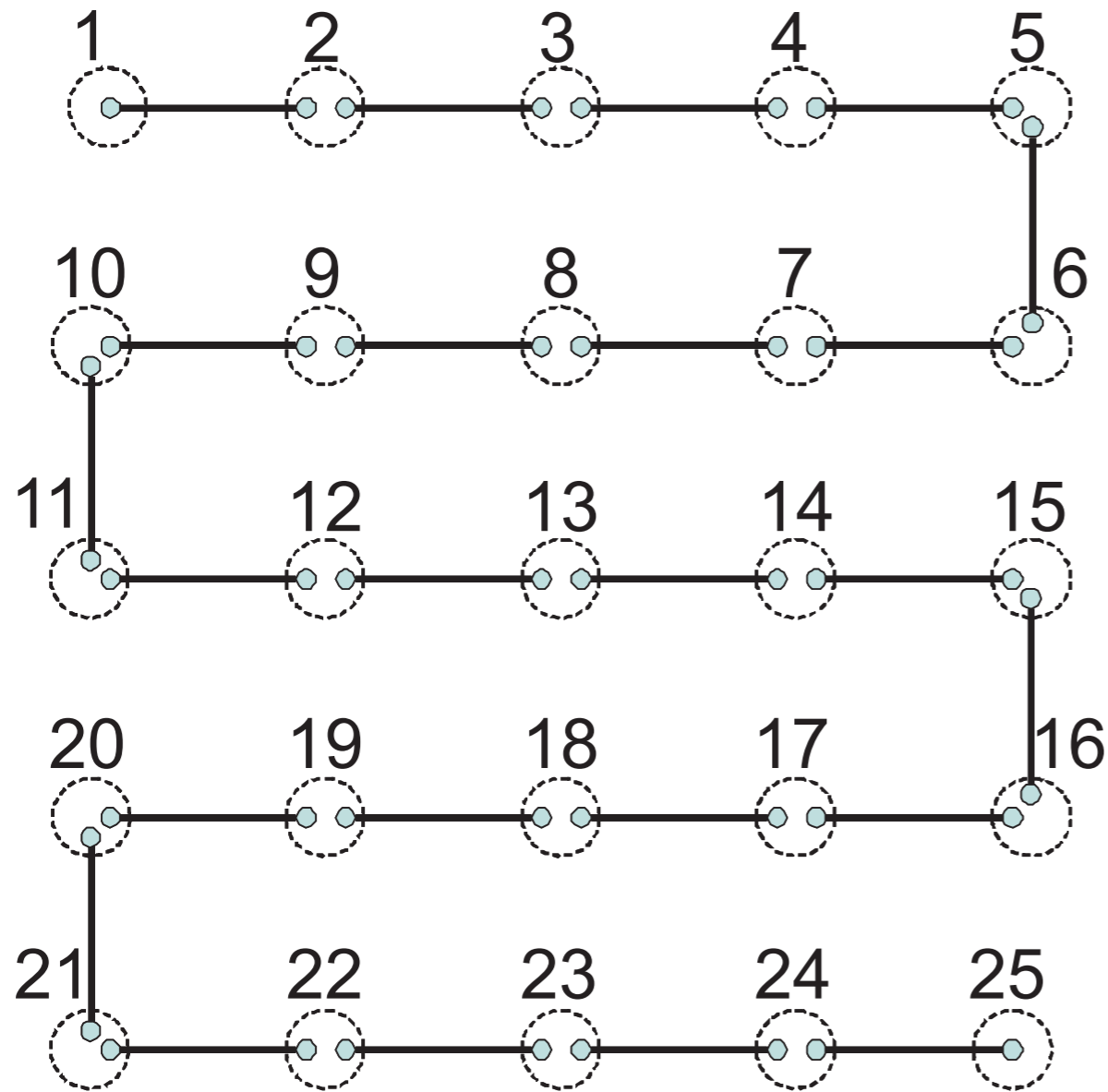
Fermionic sign



$$c_i^\dagger c_j = \tilde{c}_i^\dagger s_{i+1} \cdots s_{j-1} \tilde{c}_j, \quad s_i = e^{i\pi n_i}$$

Jordan-Wigner transformation

MPS, PEPS & stuff



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