

Matrix Product States for Beginners

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Today's menu

- Singular Value Decomposition.
- Tensors: Contractions and Projections
- Reduced density matrix.
- Entanglement (von Neumann) entropy.
- Matrix Product States: example with $N=3$.
- Important example: AKLT model.
- Why MPS?

Some basic references

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SVD

Consider a numerical SVD example:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0.435839 & 0.223707 & 0.10 \\ 0.435839 & 0.223707 & -0.10 \\ 0.223707 & 0.435839 & 0.10 \\ 0.223707 & 0.435839 & -0.10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can decompose as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.933 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.300 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.200 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.707107 & 0.707107 & 0 \\ -0.707107 & 0.707107 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Keep fewer and fewer singular values:

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$$\|M_2 - M\|^2 = 0.04 = (0.2)^2$$

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Truncating SVD =
Controlled
approximation for M

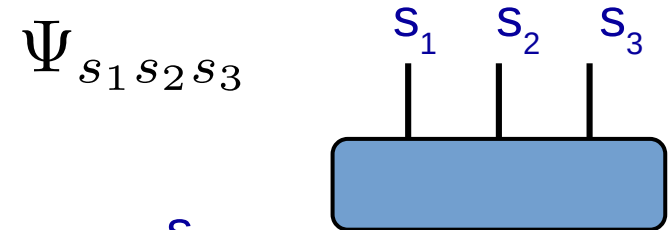
$$\|M_3 - M\|^2 = 0.13 = (0.3)^2 + (0.2)^2$$

Tensors

Quantum state:

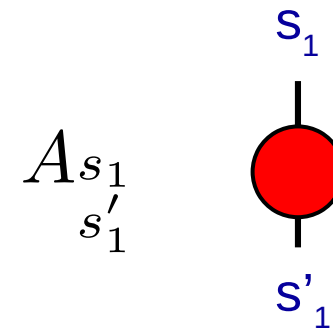
$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{s_1 s_2 s_3} \Psi_{s_1 s_2 s_3} |s_1\rangle |s_2\rangle |s_3\rangle$$

Graphic representation:



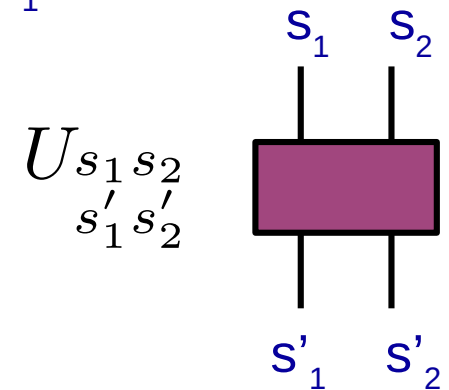
Local operator:

$$\hat{A}(1) = \sum_{s_1 s'_1} A_{s'_1}^{s_1} |s_1\rangle \langle s'_1|$$



Two-site operator:

$$\hat{U}(1, 2) = \sum_{\substack{s_1 s_2 \\ s'_1 s'_2}} U_{s'_1 s'_2}^{s_1 s_2} |s_1\rangle |s_2\rangle \langle s'_1| \langle s'_2|$$

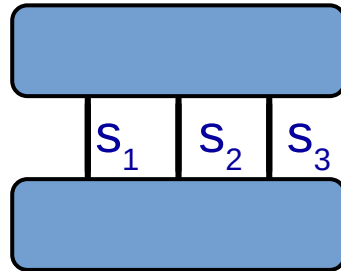


Contractions and projections

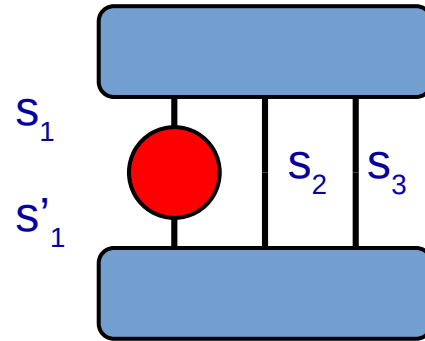
Full contractions (scalars):

$$\sum_{s_1 s_2 s_3} \Psi_{s_1 s_2 s_3}^* \Psi_{s_1 s_2 s_3}$$

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle$$



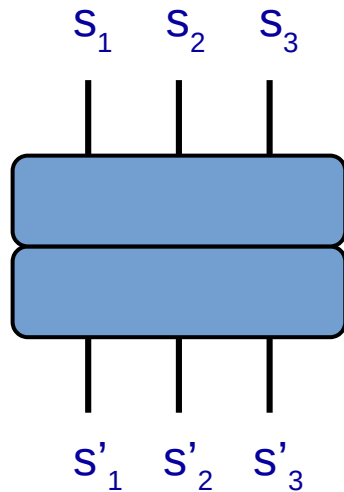
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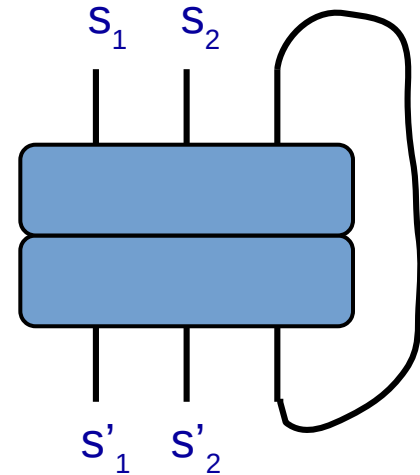
$$\sum_{\substack{s_1 s'_1 \\ s_2 s_3}} \Psi_{s_1 s_2 s_3}^* A_{s'_1}^{s_1} \Psi_{s'_1 s_2 s_3}$$

Projectors:

$$|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$$



$$\text{Tr}_{(3)} |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$$

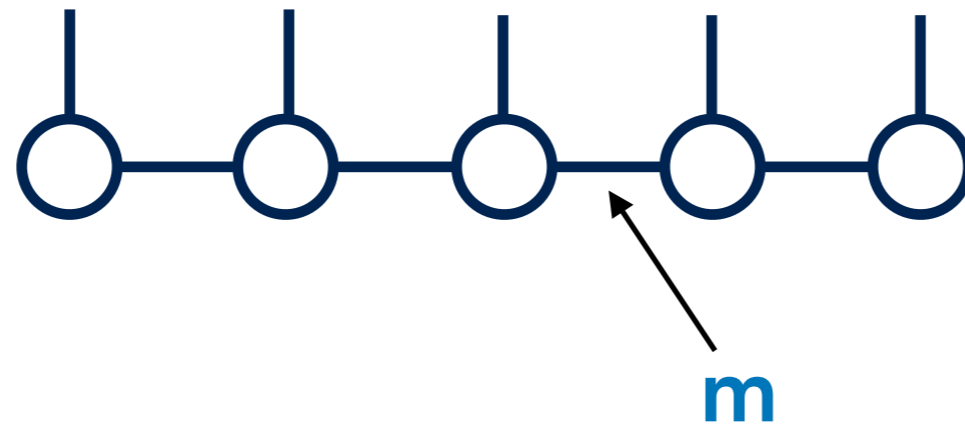


Reduced Density Matrix

Entanglement Entropy

MPS

Key facts about matrix product states



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Examples of Matrix Product States

Example #1: singlet state

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\uparrow\rangle |\downarrow\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\downarrow\rangle |\uparrow\rangle \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\uparrow\rangle & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\downarrow\rangle \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} |\downarrow\rangle \\ -|\uparrow\rangle \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

How to see this is an MPS?

$$\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\uparrow\rangle \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\downarrow\rangle \right] \begin{bmatrix} |\downarrow\rangle \\ -|\uparrow\rangle \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{array}{l} |\uparrow\rangle \\ |\downarrow\rangle \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad 0 \right] \\ \left[0 \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right] \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} |\uparrow\rangle \\ |\downarrow\rangle \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left[0 \right] \\ \left[-1 \right] \\ \left[1 \right] \\ \left[0 \right] \end{array} \right\}$$

Example #2: AKLT wavefunction

The AKLT wavefunction is the exact ground state of the following $S=1$ Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_j \mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_j (\mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1})^2$$

In the same phase as $S=1$ Heisenberg model, plus 'small' perturbation of $(\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{S})^2$ biquadratic term

Can construct AKLT wavefunction as follows

Start with $2N$ spin $1/2$'s in singlet pairs



$$\bullet\text{---}\bullet = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\uparrow\rangle|\downarrow\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\downarrow\rangle|\uparrow\rangle$$

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Can predict interesting properties:

- doubly degenerate entanglement spectrum
- emergent $S=1/2$ edge spins

Tensor approach to AKLT

$$\begin{array}{c} | \\ | \\ \hline \end{array} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\uparrow\rangle |\downarrow\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\downarrow\rangle |\uparrow\rangle$$


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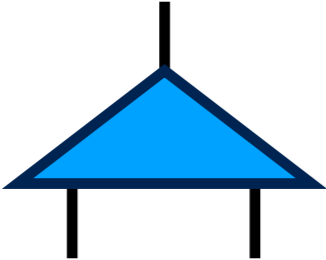
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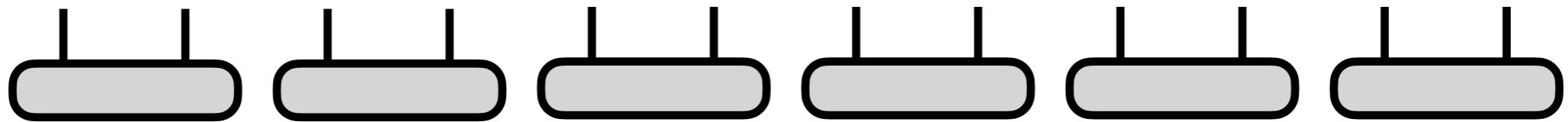
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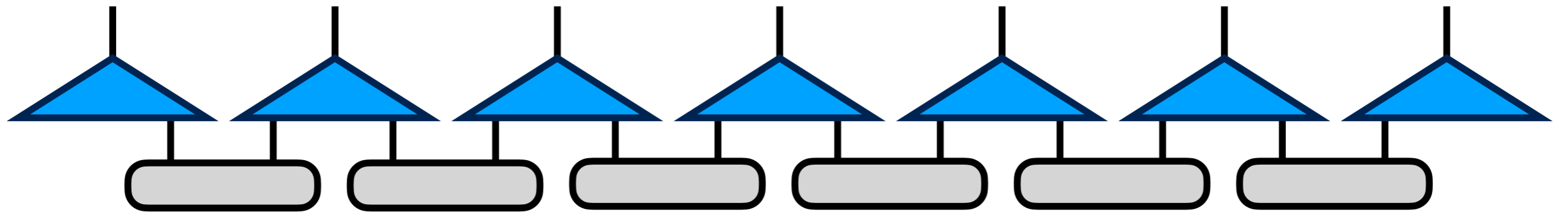
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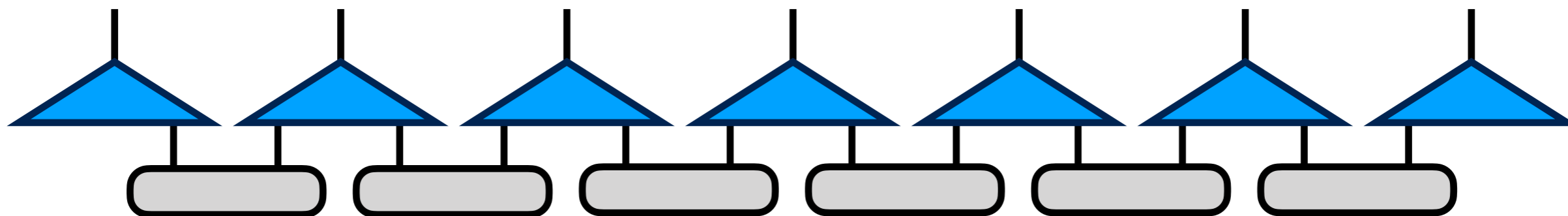
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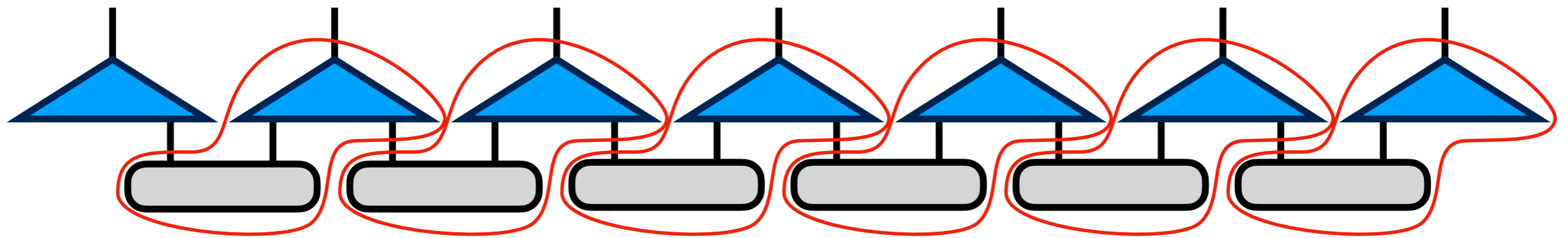


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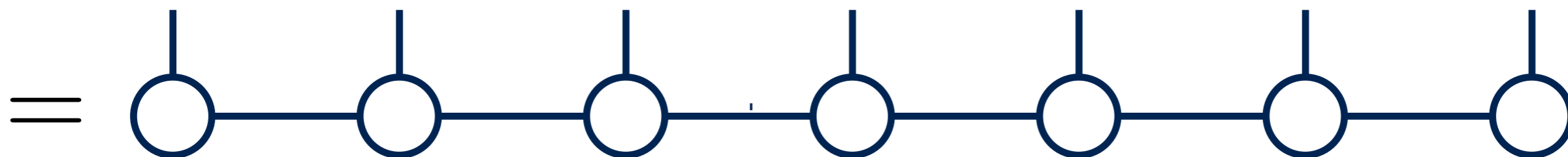
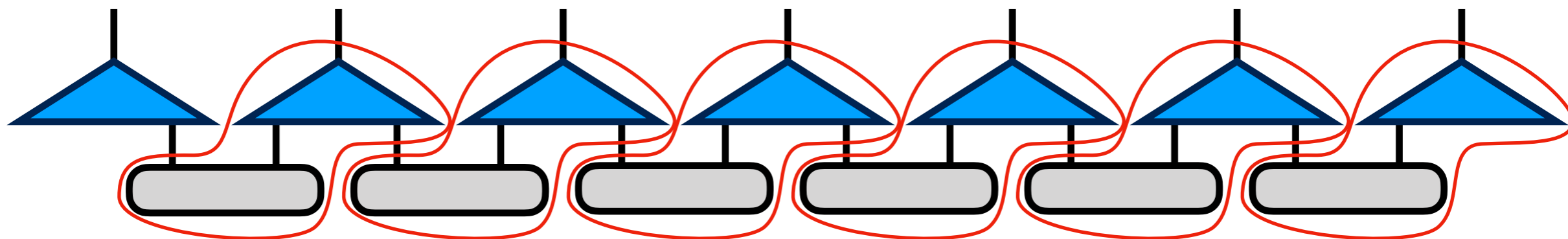
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Nice form of AKLT matrix product state with periodic boundary conditions

Can actually show the following:

$$|\Psi_{\text{AKLT}}\rangle = \text{Tr} [M^{s_1} M^{s_2} M^{s_3} \dots M^{s_N}] |s_1 s_2 s_3 \dots s_N\rangle$$

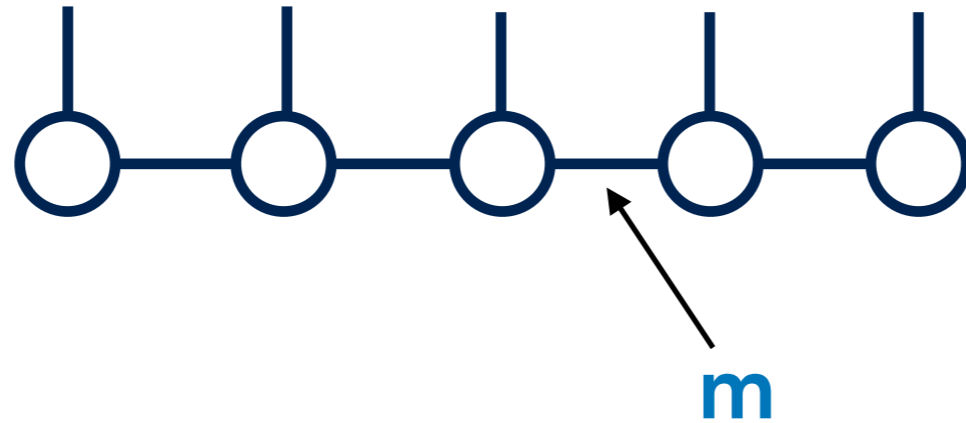
where

$$M^+ = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \sigma^+$$

$$M^0 = -\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \sigma^z$$

$$M^- = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \sigma^-$$

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Many-Body Entanglement

What is the maximum amount of entanglement?

ρ_A is a $2^{N/2} \times 2^{N/2}$ matrix



$2^{N/2}$ eigenvalues, trace has to be 1

maximum entropy if all eigenvalues same, $p_n \equiv 2^{-N/2}$

$$S_{\text{vN}} = - \sum_{n=1}^{2^{N/2}} p_n \ln(p_n) = -2^{N/2} \frac{1}{2^{N/2}} \ln(2^{-N/2})$$

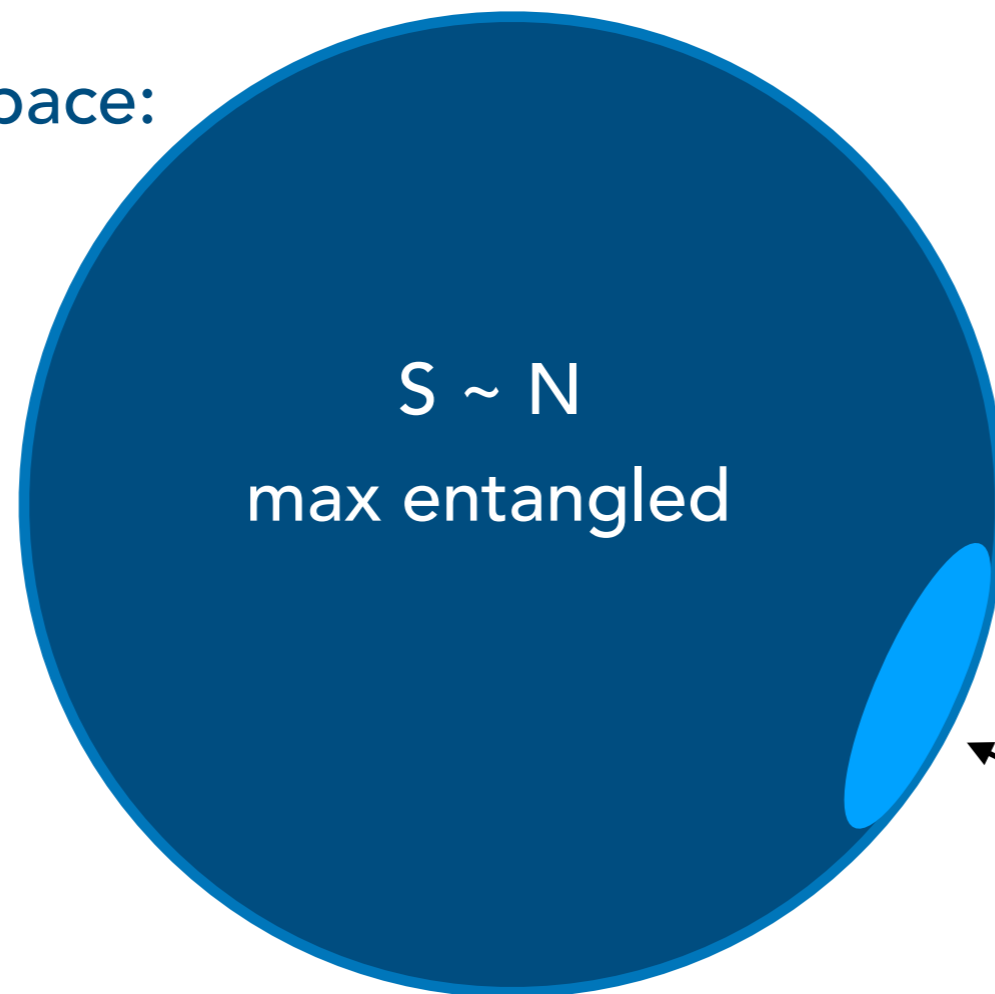
$$= \frac{N}{2} \ln(2) \sim N \quad \text{"volume law"}$$

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Fact: randomly chosen wavefunctions have maximum entropy with probability 1.0



Hilbert space:



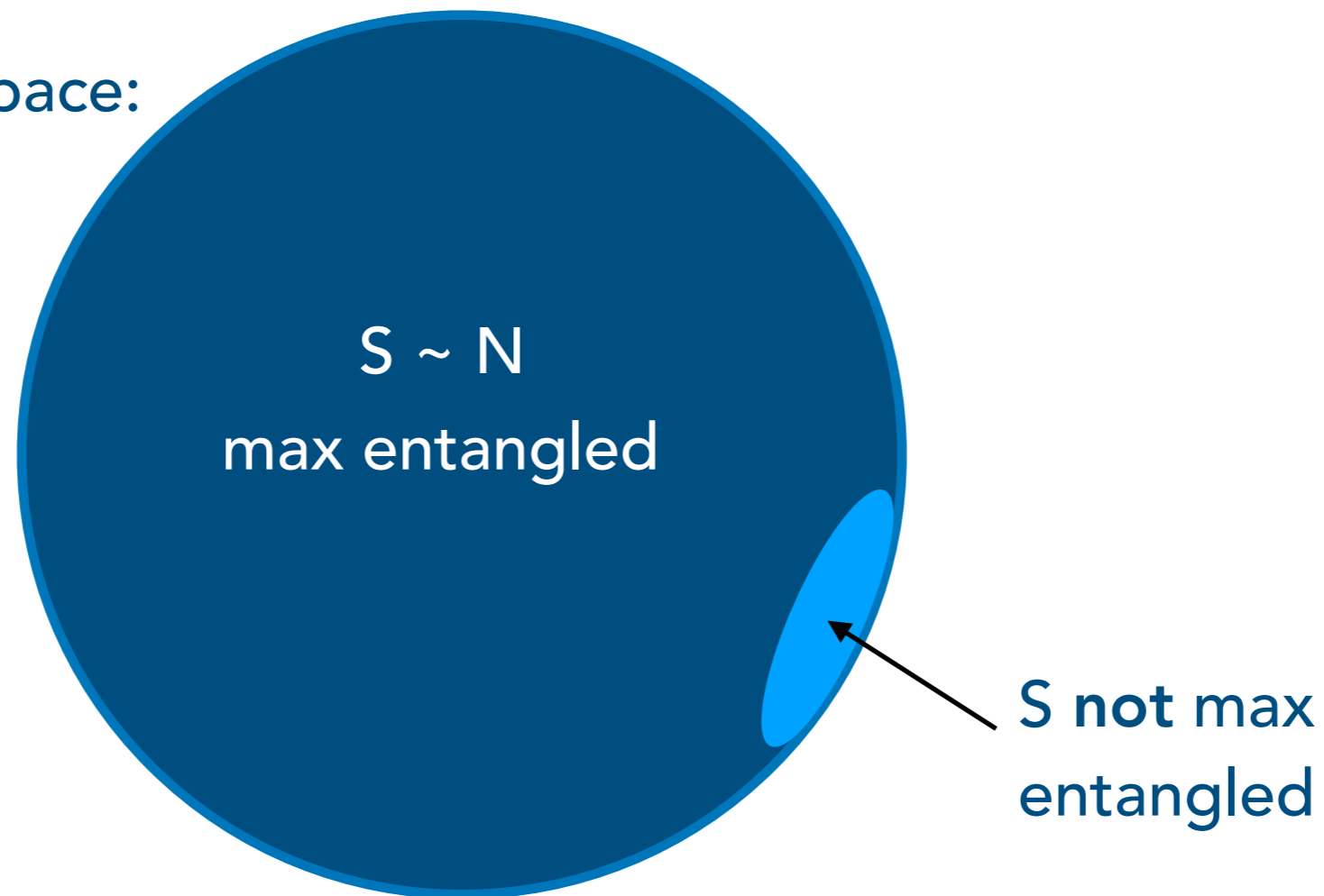
$S \sim N$
max entangled

S not max
entangled

Many-Body Entanglement

Which wavefunctions live in the special region that is not maximally entangled?

Hilbert space:



Consider *ground states* of 1D Hamiltonians

Heisenberg spin chain:

$$H = \sum_j \mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_{j+1}$$

Hubbard chain:

$$H = -t \sum_{j,\sigma} (c_{j,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j+1,\sigma} + c_{j+1,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma}) + \sum_j U n_{j\uparrow} n_{j\downarrow}$$

1D "electronic structure" Hamiltonian:

$$H = \int_x \psi^\dagger(x) \left[-\frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 + v(x) \right] \psi(x) + \int_{x,x'} u(x-x') n(x) n(x')$$

By *ground state* we mean

$$H|\Psi_n\rangle = E_n|\Psi_n\rangle$$

$$E_0 \leq E_1 \leq E_2 \leq \dots$$

Then the ground state is $|\Psi_0\rangle$

(May be degenerate, meaning $|E_1 - E_0| \sim e^{-aN}$)

Special cases of ground states

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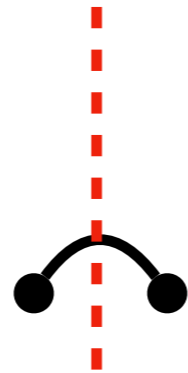
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zero entanglement

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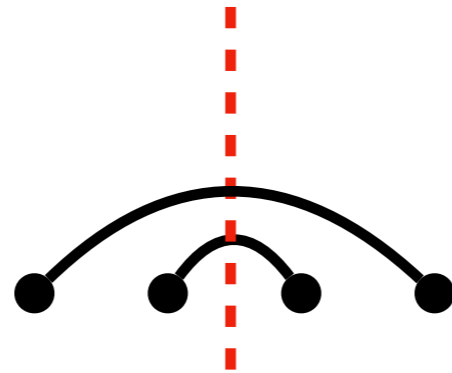


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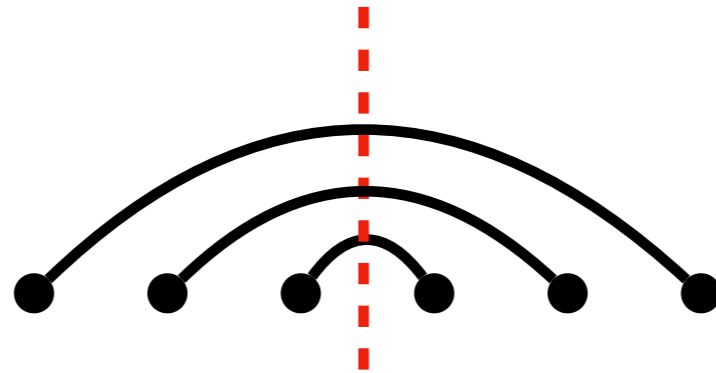


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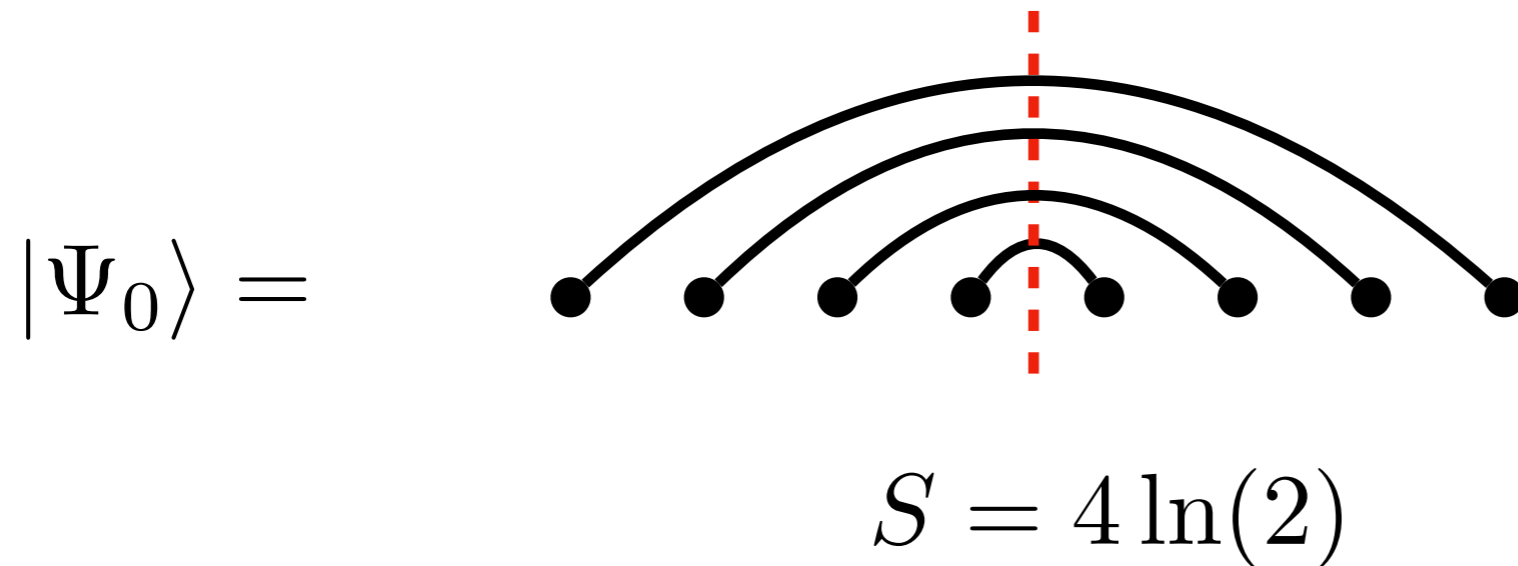
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$$S = 3 \ln(2)$$

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Would give a "volume law" of entanglement: $S \sim N$

But Hamiltonian would be non-local:

$$H = \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_8 + \mathbf{S}_2 \cdot \mathbf{S}_7 + \mathbf{S}_3 \cdot \mathbf{S}_6 + \dots$$

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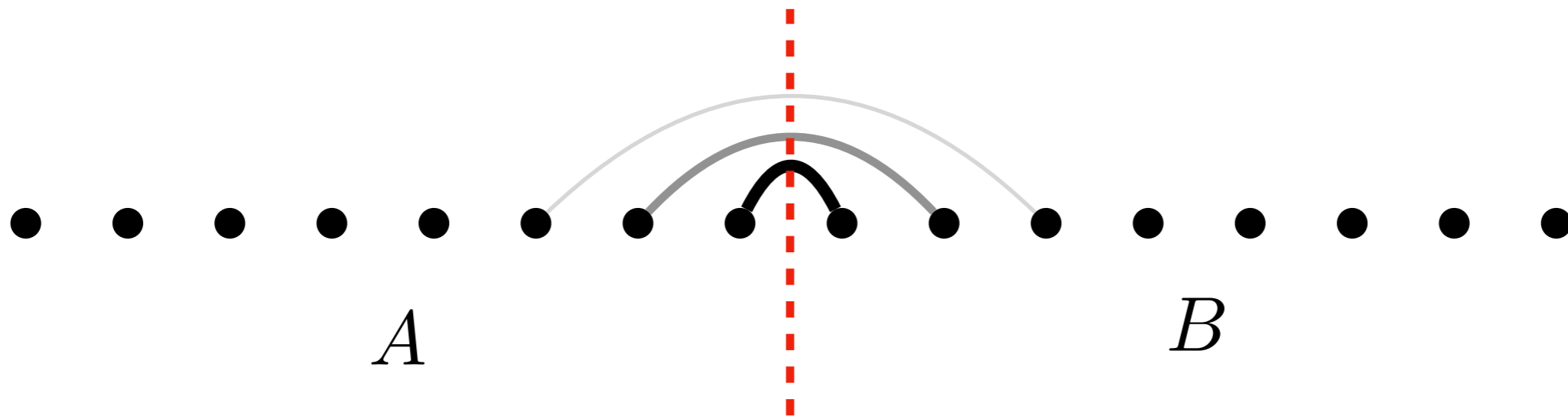
Then in 2007, M. Hastings proved:

For 1D, local Hamiltonians with a gap between ground and excited states, the entanglement entropy of a bipartition is independent of system size as $N \rightarrow \infty$

this is the "area law" or "boundary law"

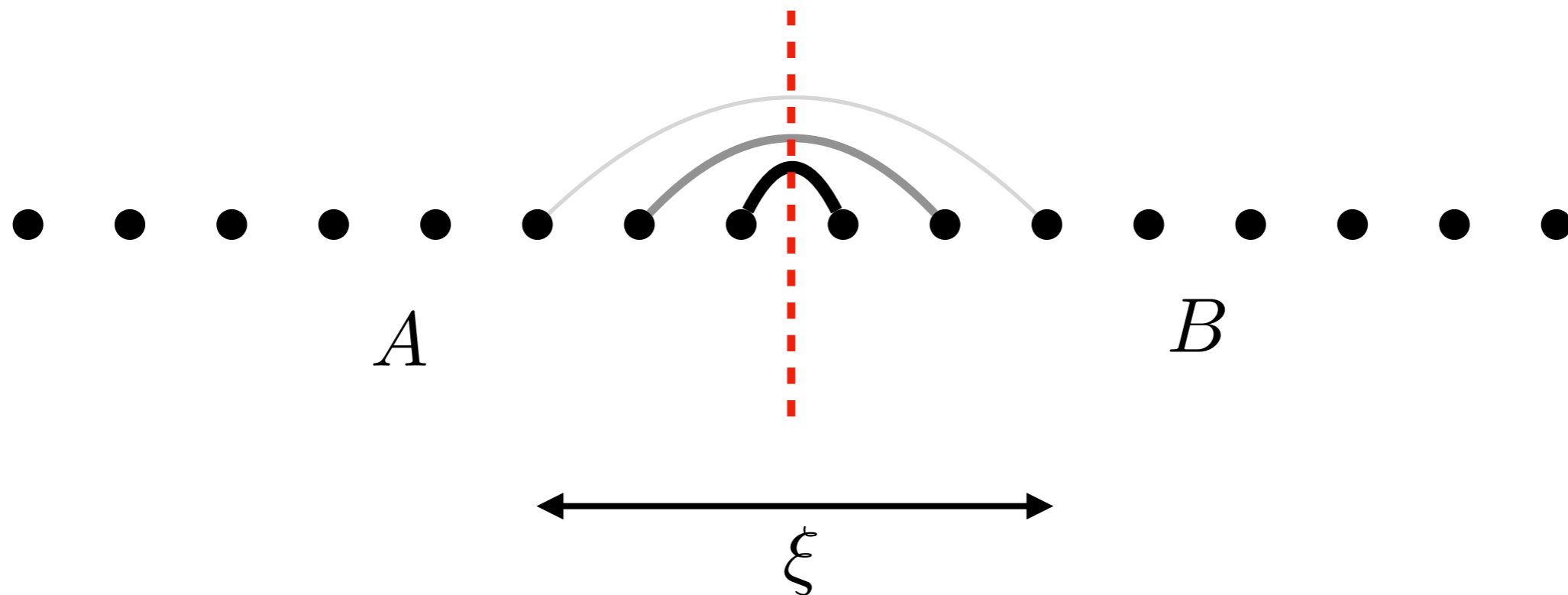
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Local H and gap required implies a correlation length ξ

Takeaway

- MPS guaranteed to obey boundary law, as do all 1D ground states (of gapped, local Hamiltonians)
- MPS can capture certain interesting states exactly
- maybe they are a useful class of wavefunction to optimize!

Future seminar/lecture (?)

- Matrix Product Operators.
- DMRG in the MPS language.
- Can it be extended to 2D?

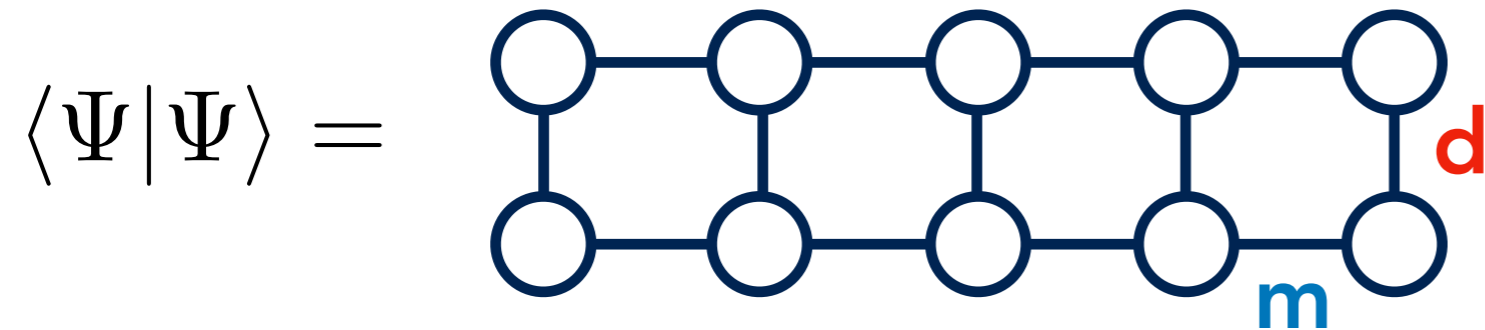
“2D-DMRG” (cylinders)

PEPS, MERA,...

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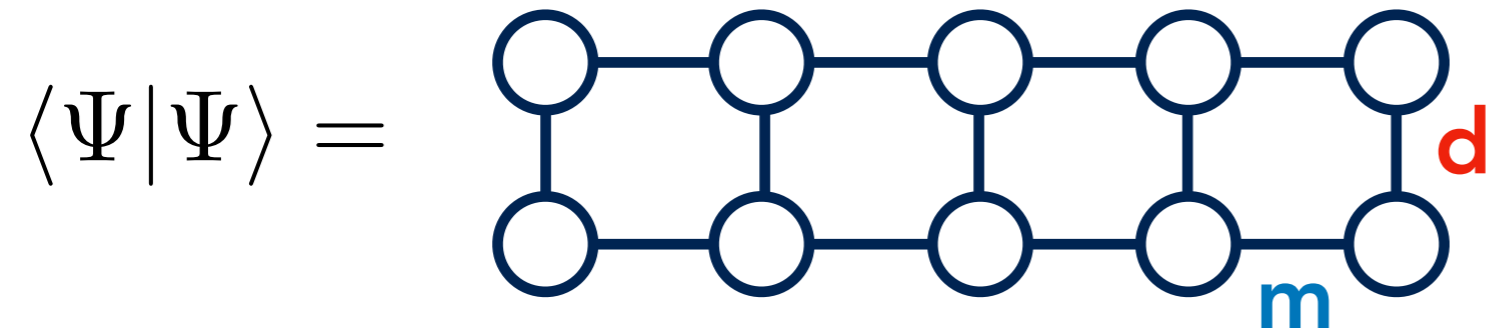
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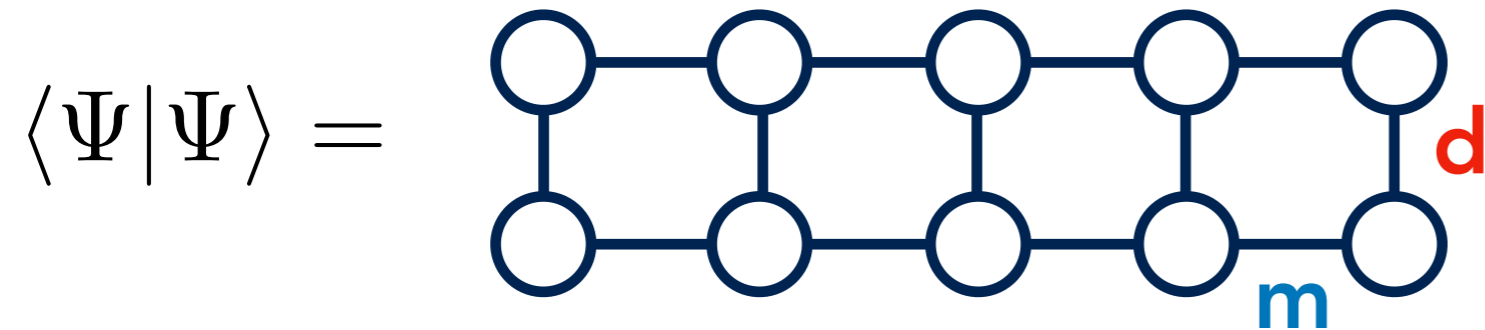
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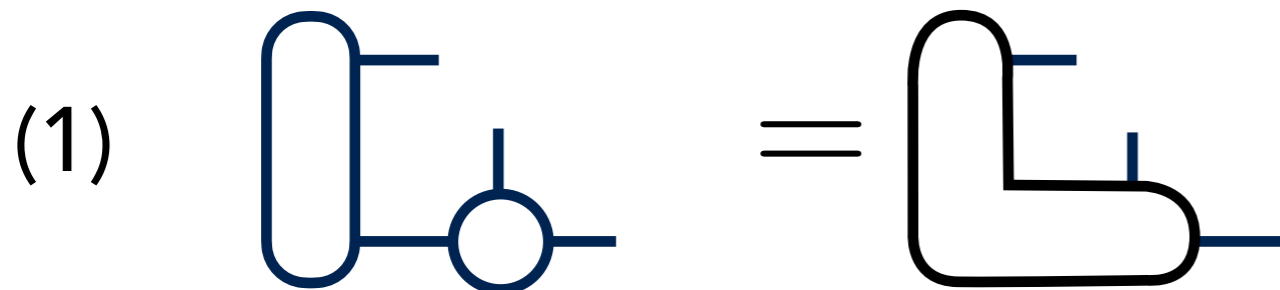
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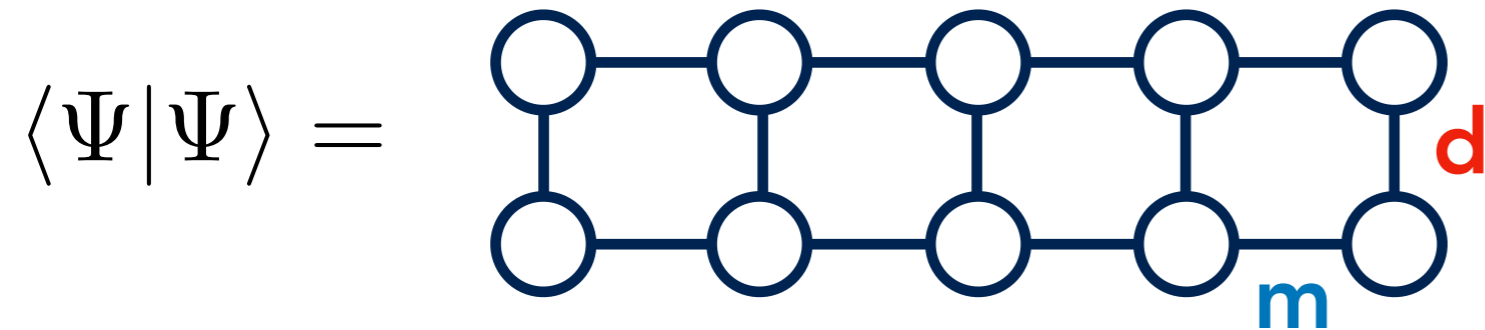


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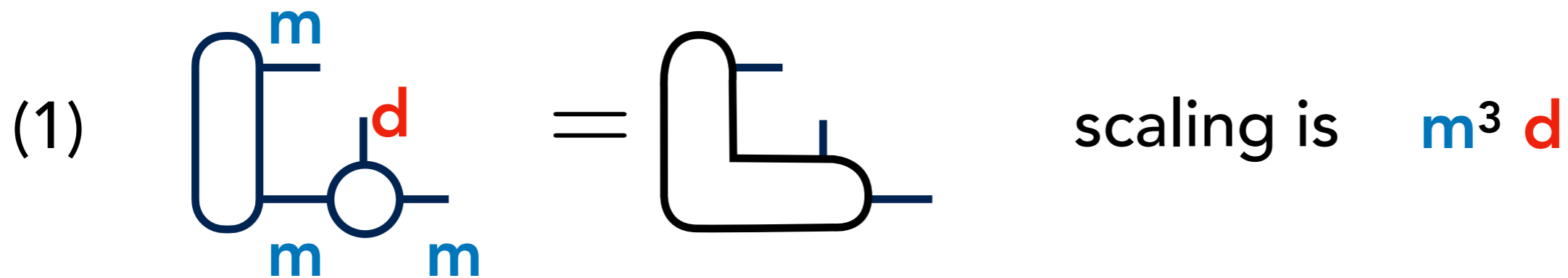


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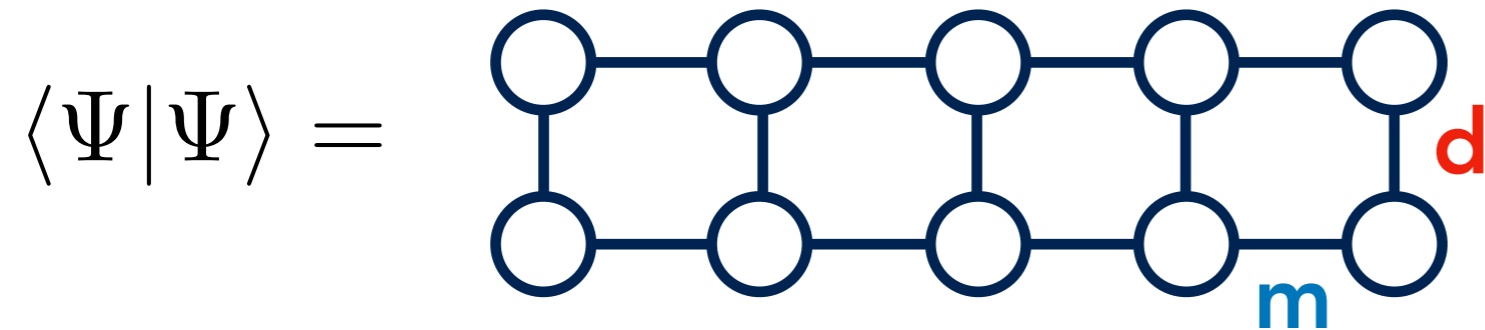


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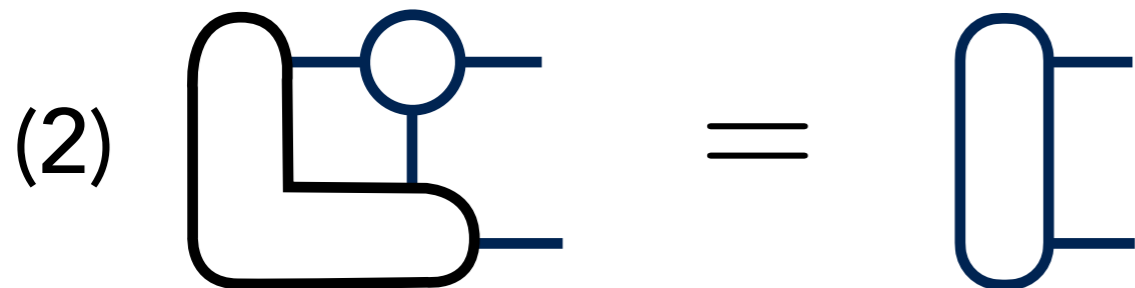


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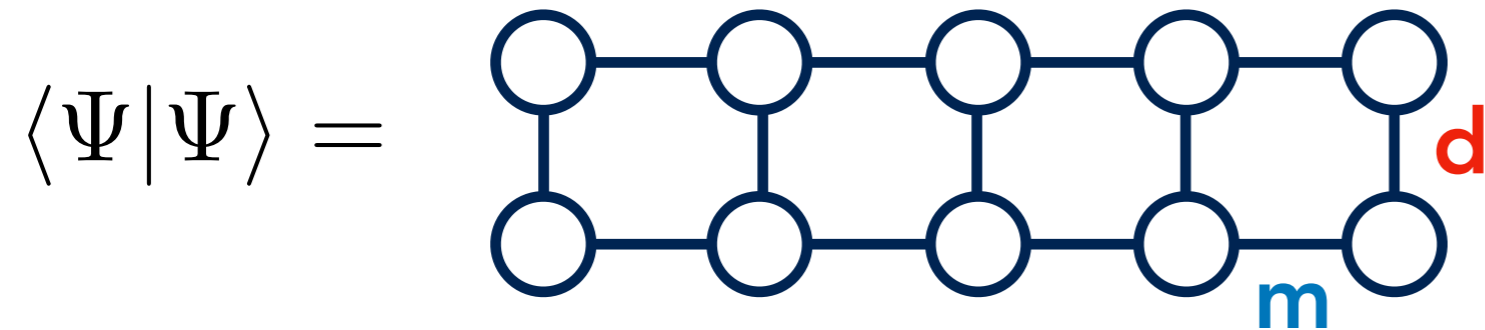


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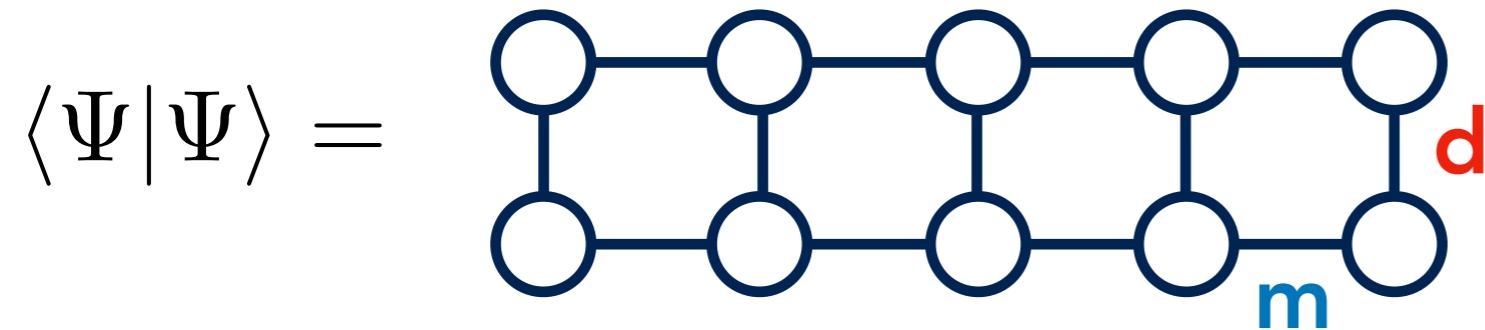


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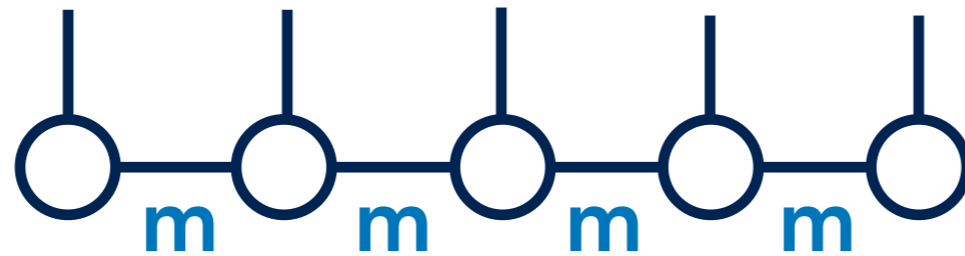


So overall scaling of norm calculation is

$$m^3 d$$

Rule of thumb: most every operation needed to manipulate MPS can be made to scale as

$$m^3$$



Intuition: MPS involves multiplying $m \times m$ matrices

Scaling of $m \times m$ matrix multiplication is m^3