Locality estimates for complex-time evolution in 1D

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PART I: Setting and problems

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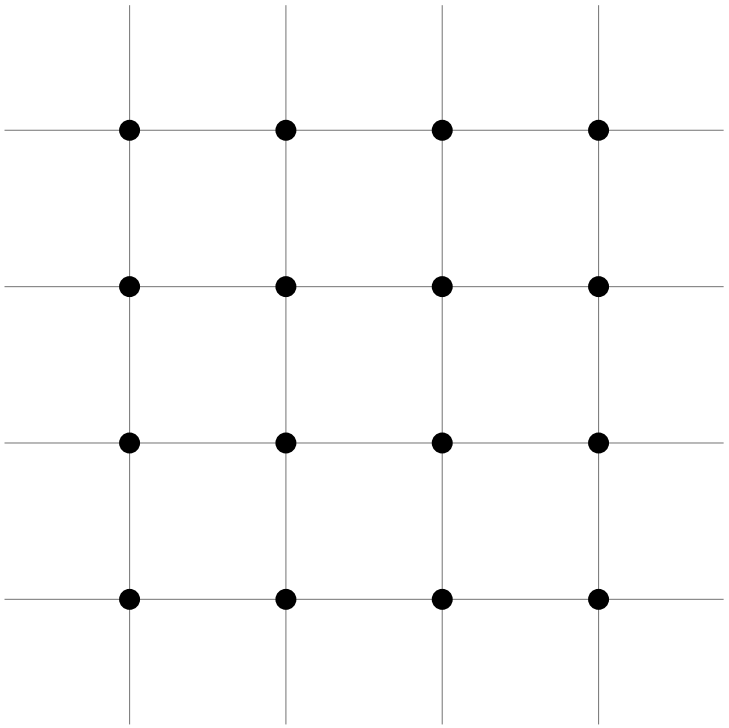

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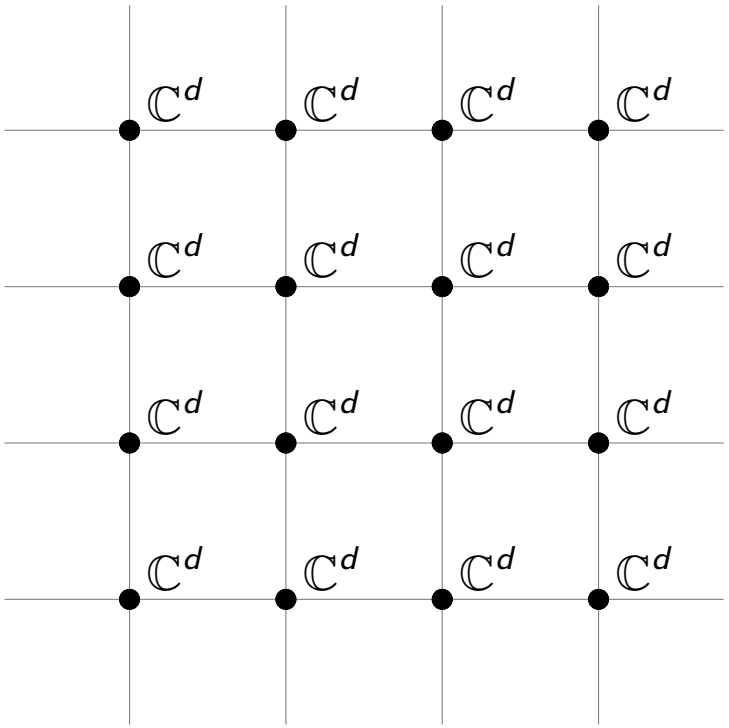

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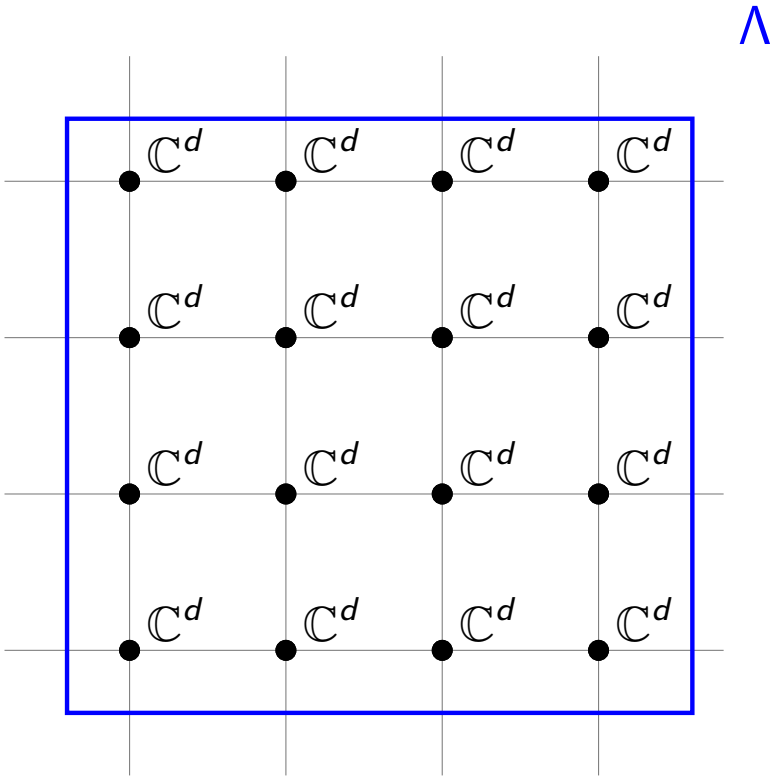

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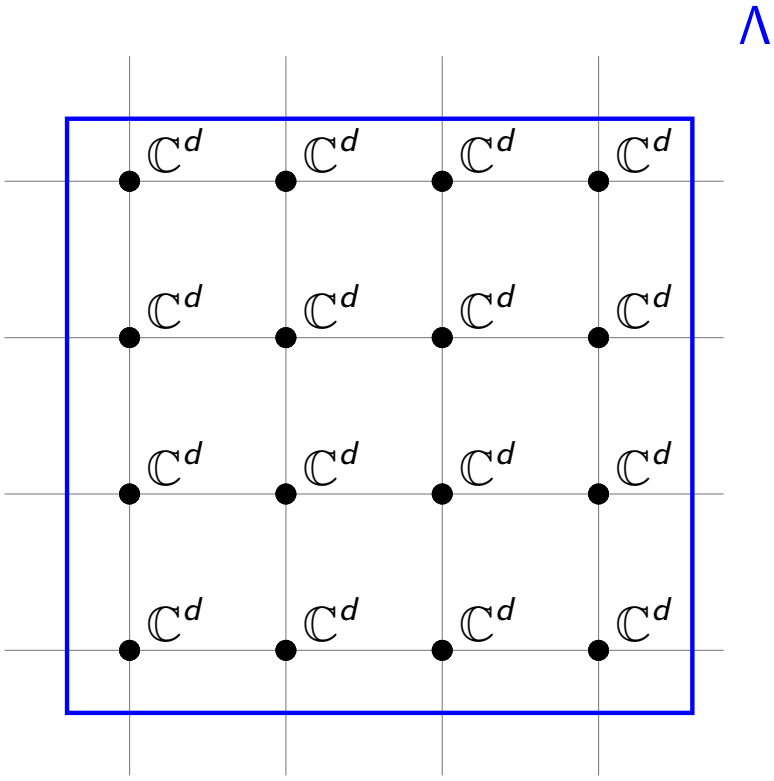

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where $h_{x,y}$ acts on sites $\mathcal{H}_x \otimes \mathcal{H}_y$ as a prefixed self-adjoint operator

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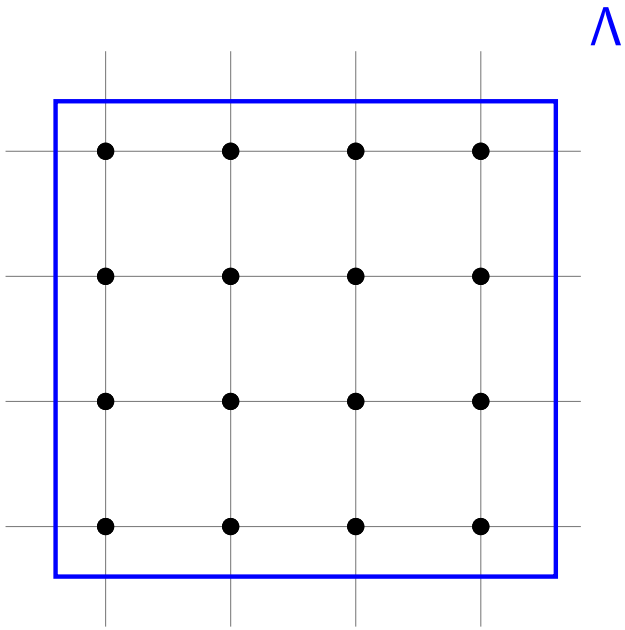

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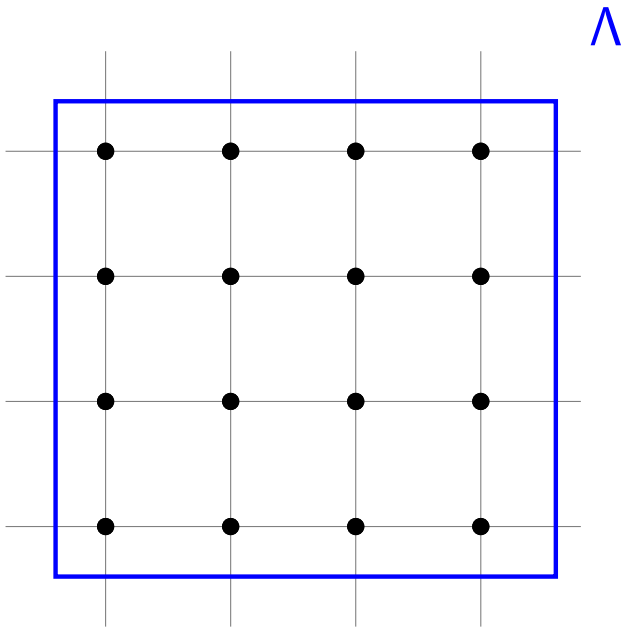

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In general, this problem is **undecidable!!!!**:

- Two dimensions (or greater): Cubitt, Pérez-García, Wolff (Nature, 2015)
- One dimension: Bauch, Cubitt, Lucia, Pérez-García (2018).

Example: AKLT model (1987)

Existence of a spectral gap in the AKLT model on the hexagonal lattice

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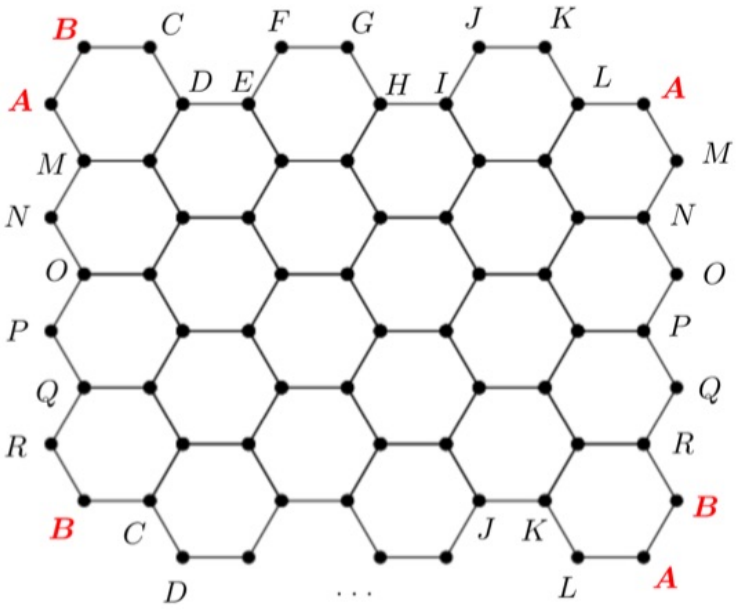
$$\mathcal{H}_{m_1,m_2} = \bigotimes_{j\in\Lambda_{m_1,m_2}} \mathbb{C}^4. \tag{1}$$

On $\mathcal{H}_{m_1,m_2}$, the AKLT Hamiltonian is defined by

$$H^{AKLT}_{m_1,m_2} = \sum_{\substack{j,k\in\Lambda_{m_1,m_2}:\\ j\sim k}} P^{(3)}_{j,k}, \tag{2}$$

where $P^{(3)}_{j,k}$ denotes the projection onto total spin 3 across the bond connecting vertices j and k. By convention, the



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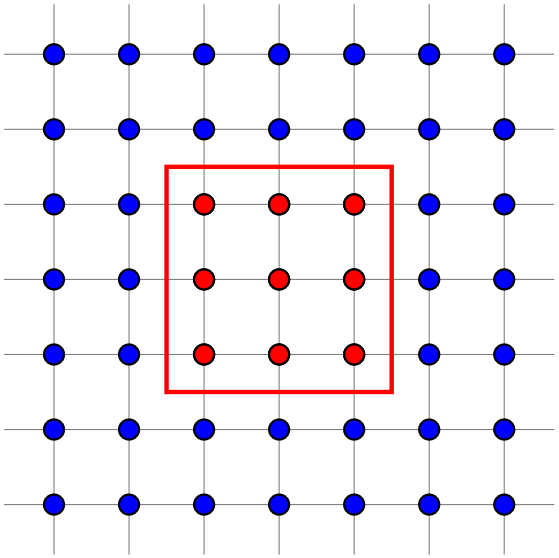

We say that $|\psi\rangle$ is **entangled** if

$$|\psi\rangle \neq |\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\psi_B\rangle \quad \text{for every} \quad |\psi_A\rangle, |\psi_B\rangle.$$

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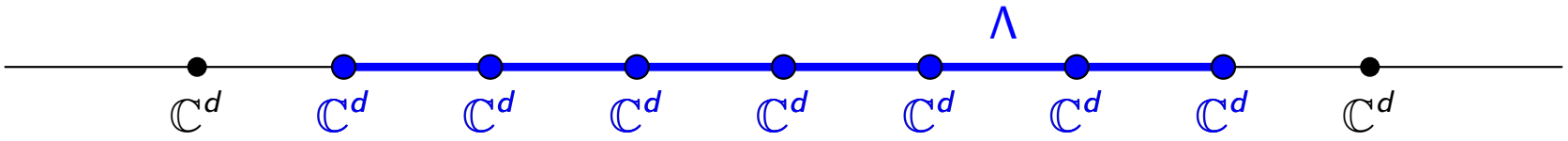

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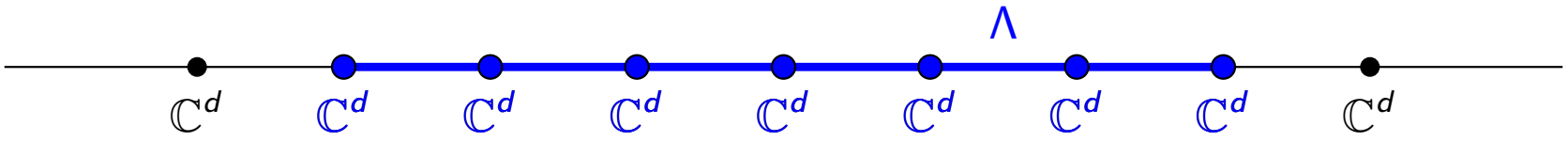

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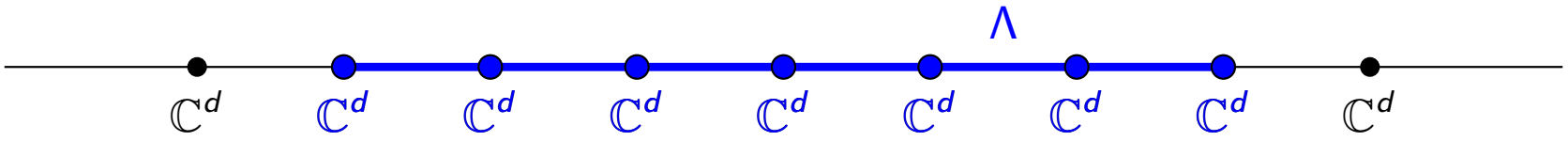

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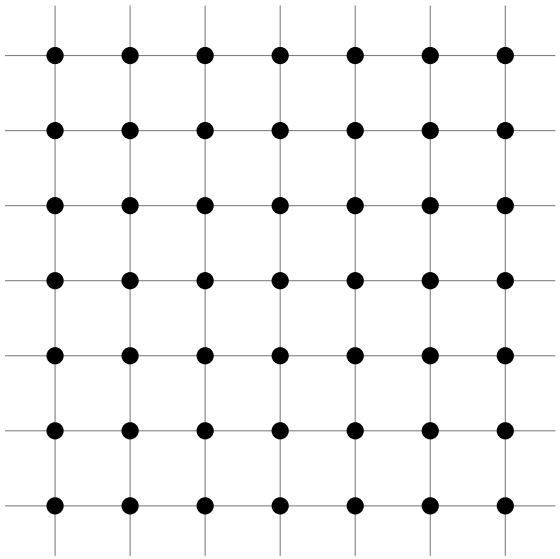
Every tensor network state can be seen as the ground state of a *hamiltonian* called **parent hamiltonian**.

Q. When is this parent Hamiltonian gapped?
In 1D this is known to be a generic property. But what about 2D???

PART II: Locality estimates



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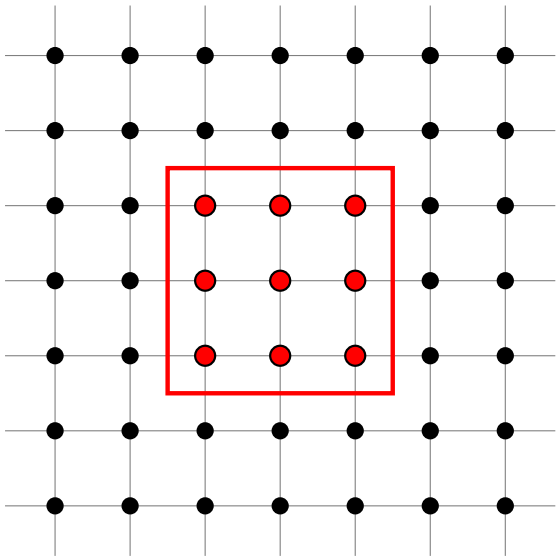

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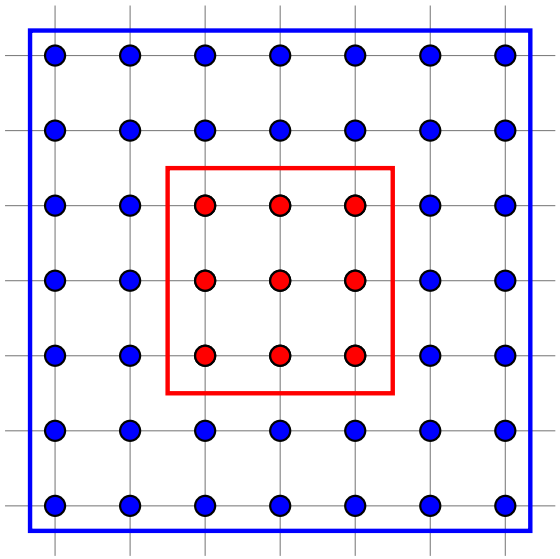

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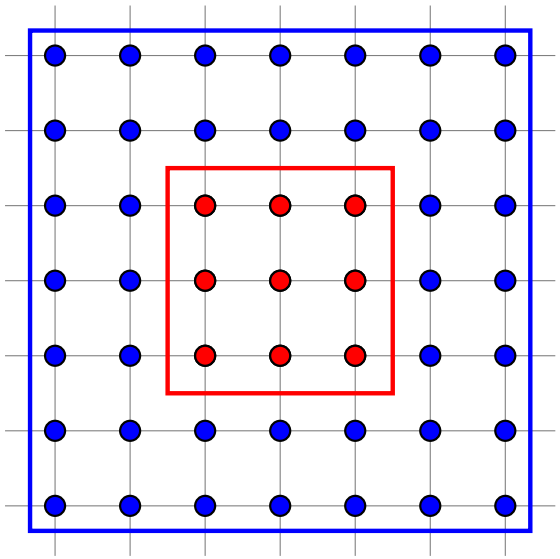

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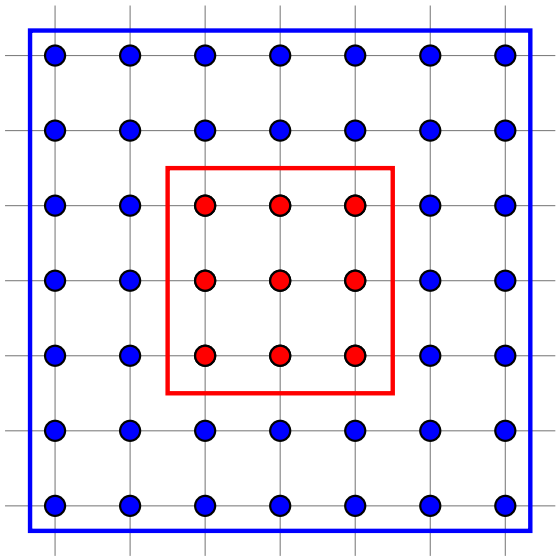

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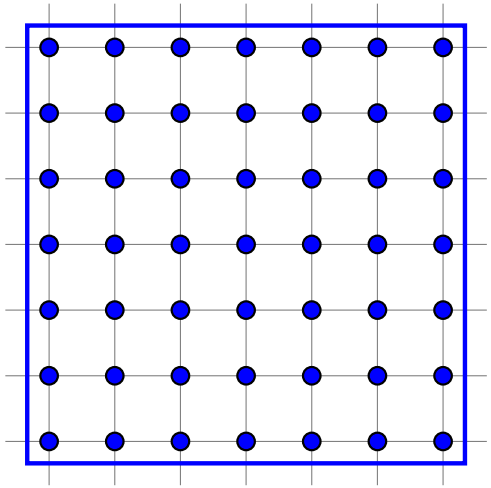

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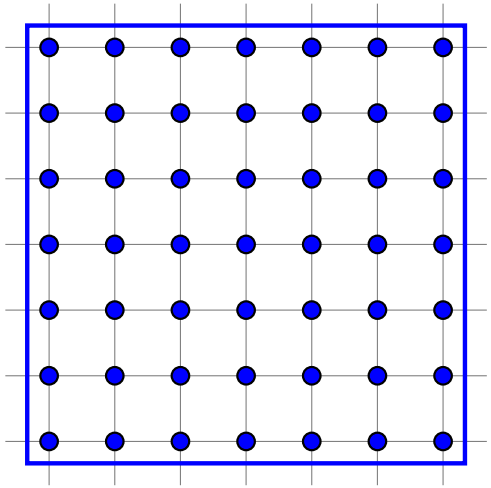

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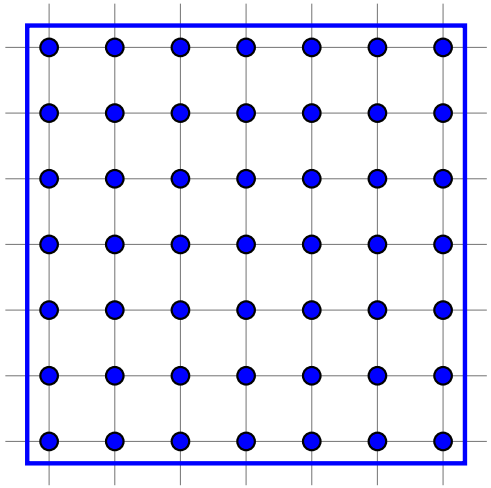

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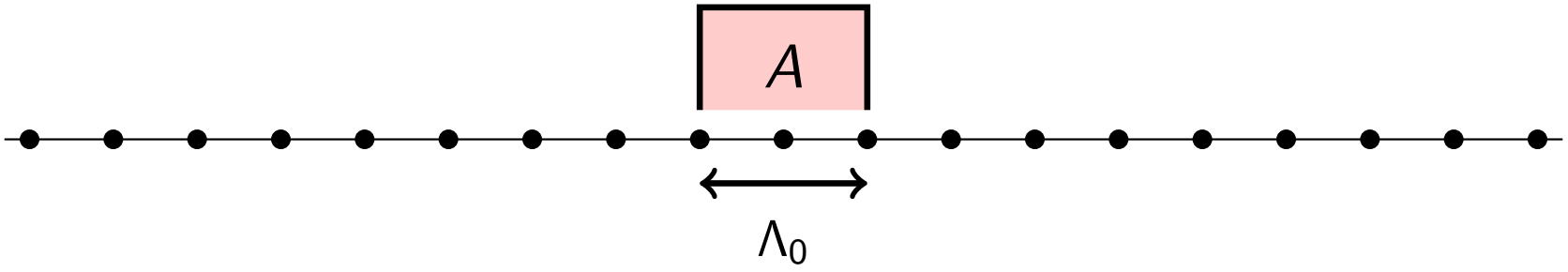

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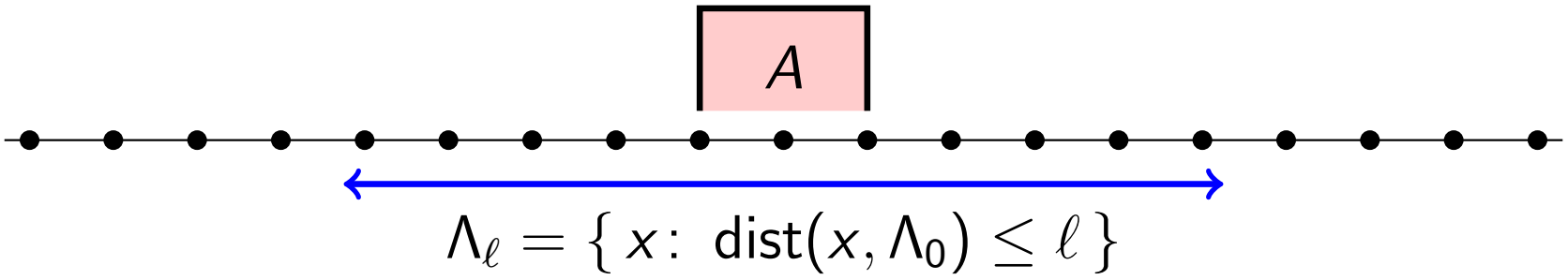

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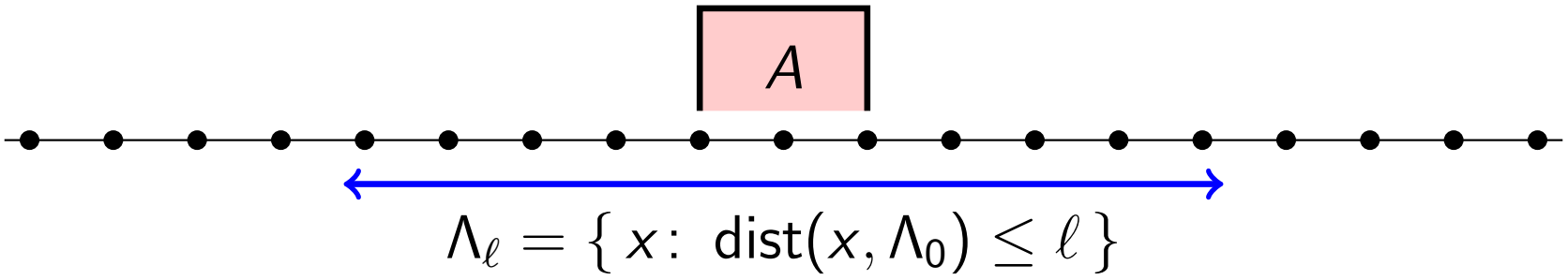

Lieb, Robinson (1972), Hastings (2004), Nachtergaele, Sims (2006), Hastings, Koma (2006), Nachtergaele, Ogata, Sims (2010) ...

Problem

Let Φ interaction with exponential decay and let $A \in \mathcal{A}_{\Lambda_0}$ and let

$$\Gamma^s(A) = e^{isH}\, A\, e^{-isH}\,, \qquad s \in \mathbb{C}\,.$$

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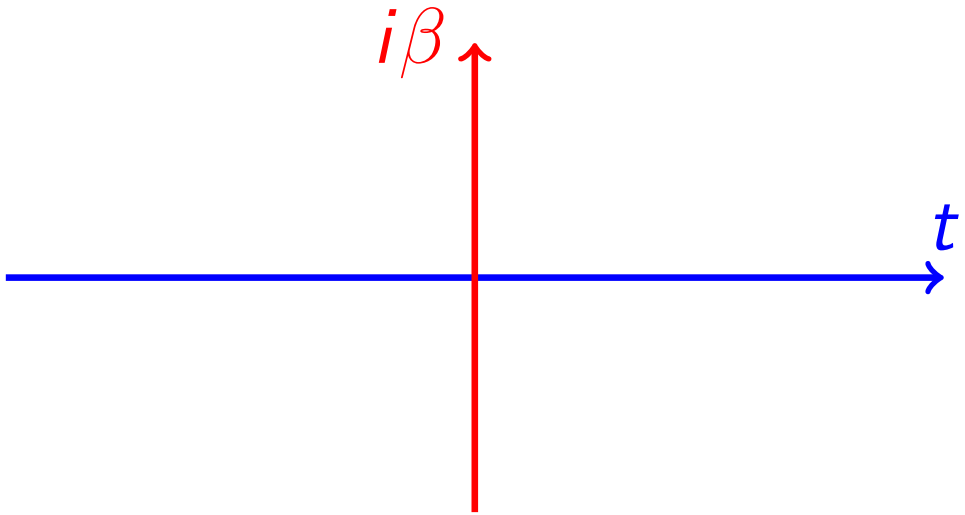

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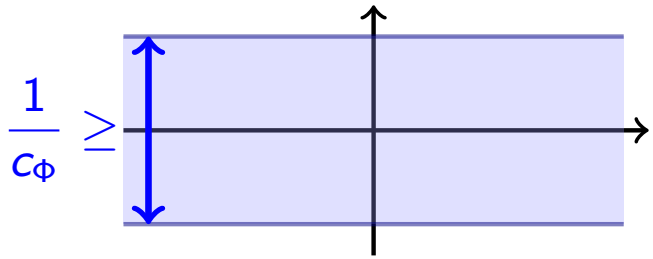
Finite Range $\Phi_X = 0$ if $\operatorname{diam}(X) \geq r$	$\mathbb{C}$ Araki 1969	 Robinson 68, Ruelle 69 Bouch 2015
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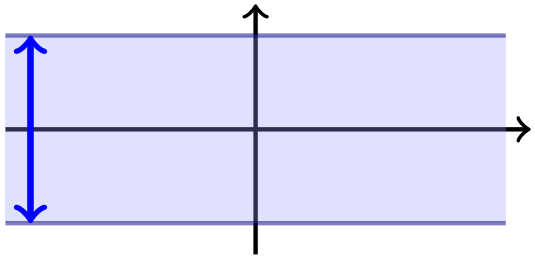
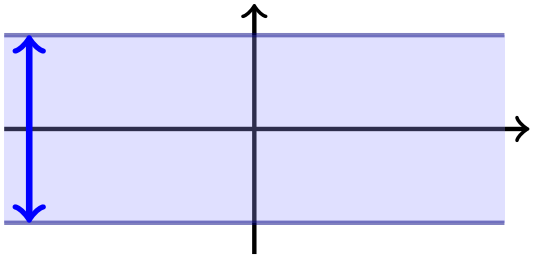
Finite Range $\Phi_X = 0$ if $\operatorname{diam}(X) \geq r$	$\mathbb{C}$ Araki 1969	$\frac{1}{c_\Phi} \geq$  Robinson 68, Ruelle 69 Bouch 2015
Exponential Decay $\lvert\lvert\Phi_X\rvert\rvert = O(e^{-\lambda \operatorname{diam}(X)})$	$\frac{\lambda}{2c_\Phi}$  Optimal???	

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Mathematical open problems in projected entangled pair states

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Abstract

Projected entangled pair states (PEPS) are used in practice as an efficient parametrization of the set of ground states of quantum many body systems. The aim of this paper is to present, for a broad mathematical audience, some mathematical questions about PEPS.