

QUADRATIC SPEEDUP FOR SPATIAL SEARCH WITH CTQW

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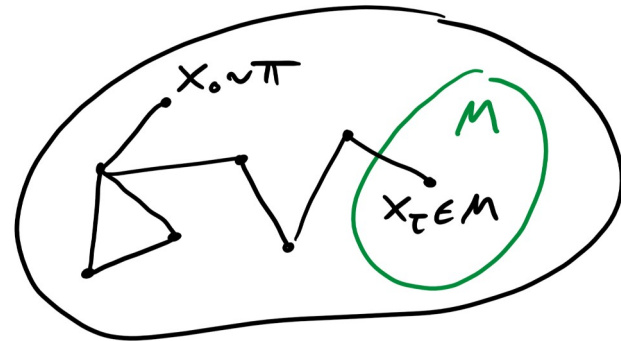
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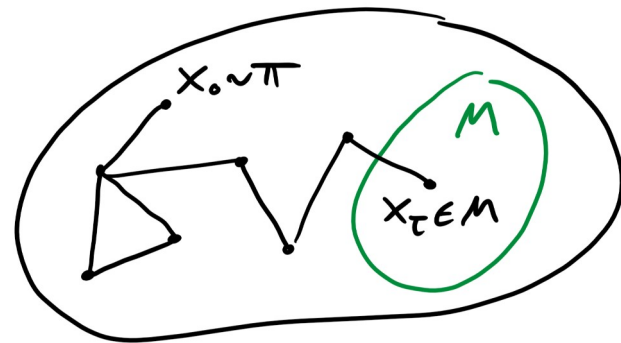
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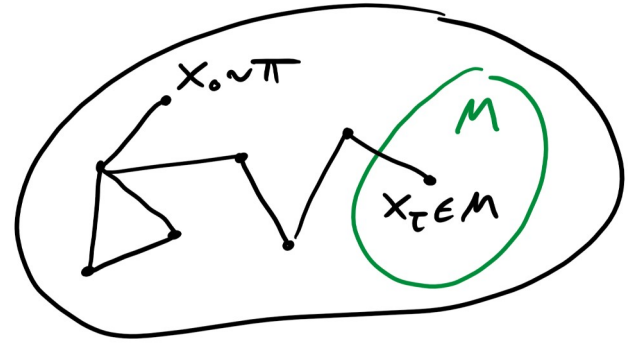


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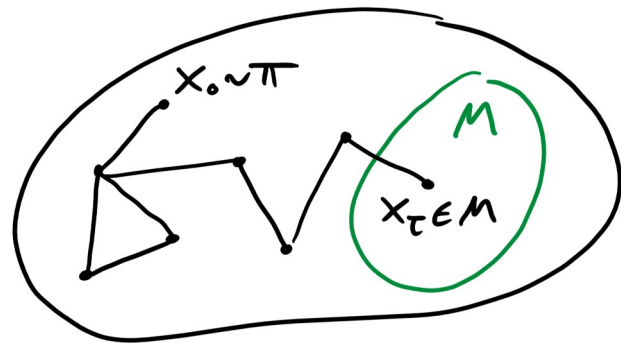
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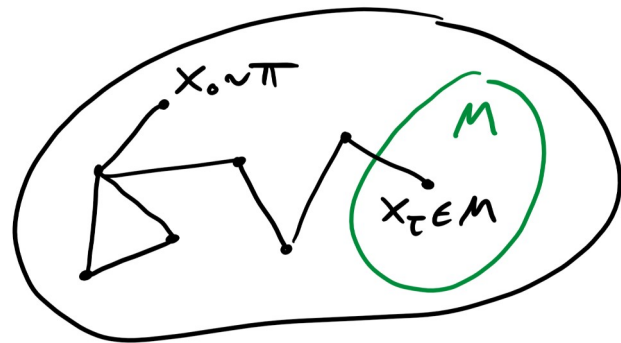
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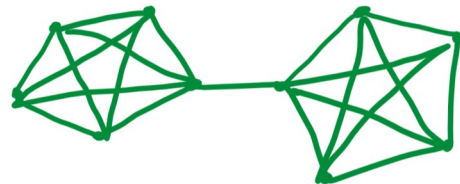
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alternative: Somma-Ortiz '10

↙ "coined" QW Hamiltonian H_P s.t. $H_P^2 (|\psi\rangle \otimes |0\rangle)$
à la Szegedy $= ((1 - P^2)|\psi\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle$

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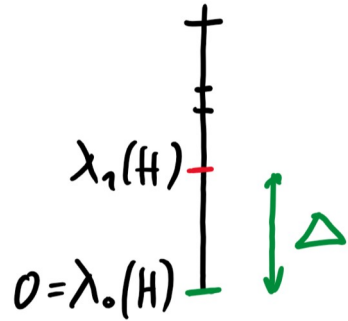
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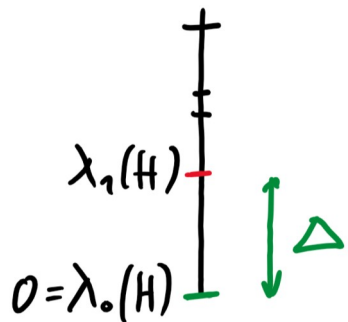
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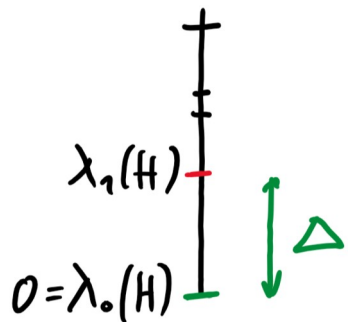


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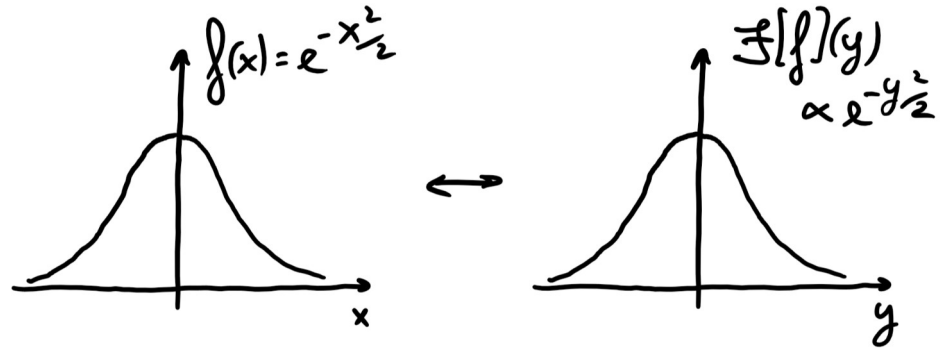
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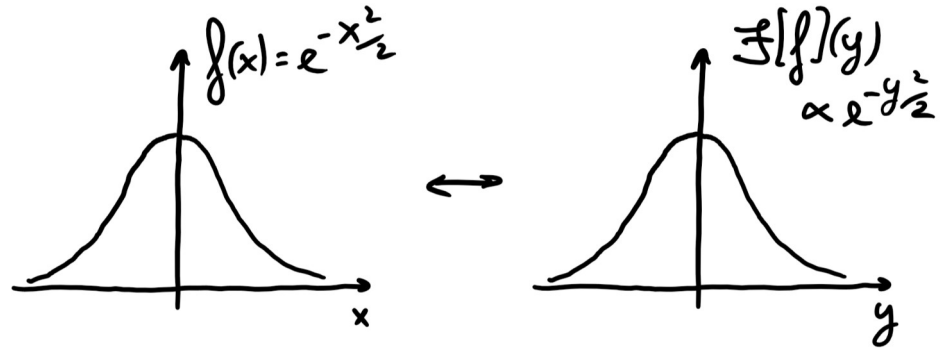
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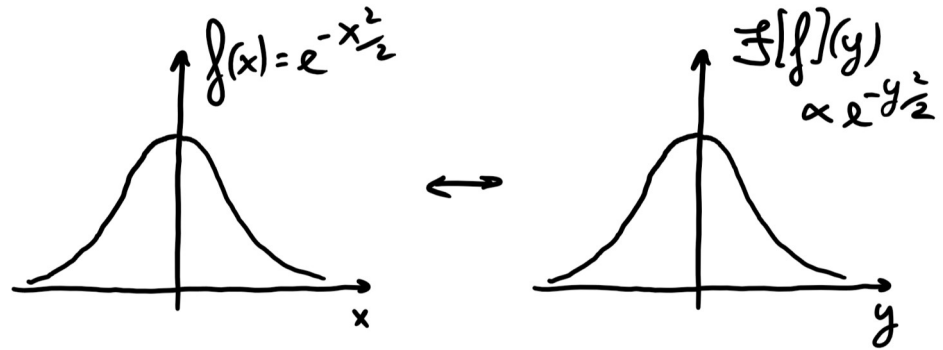
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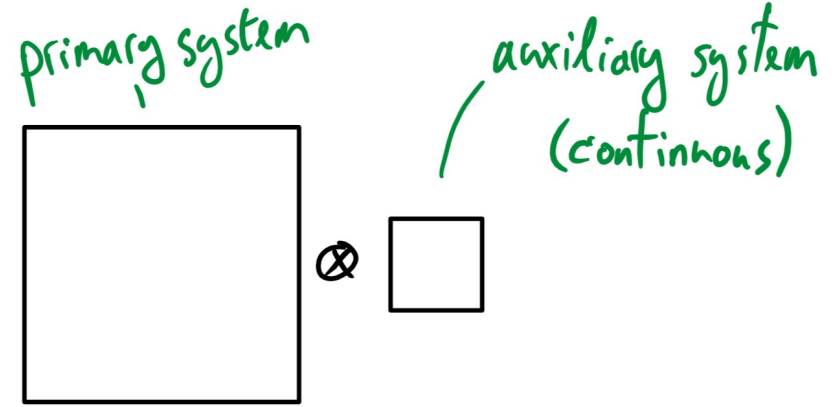
$$\underbrace{x = \sqrt{2t} H}_{\text{wavy arrow}}$$

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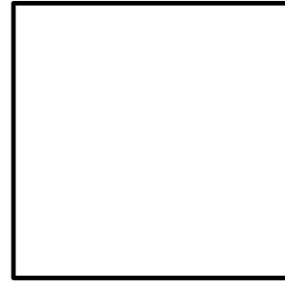


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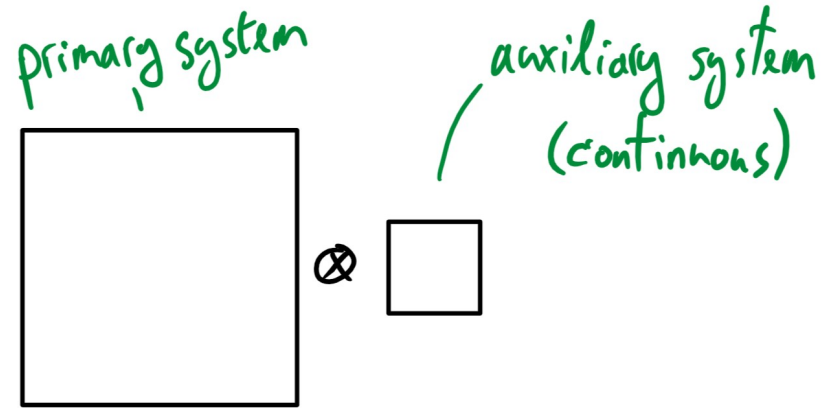


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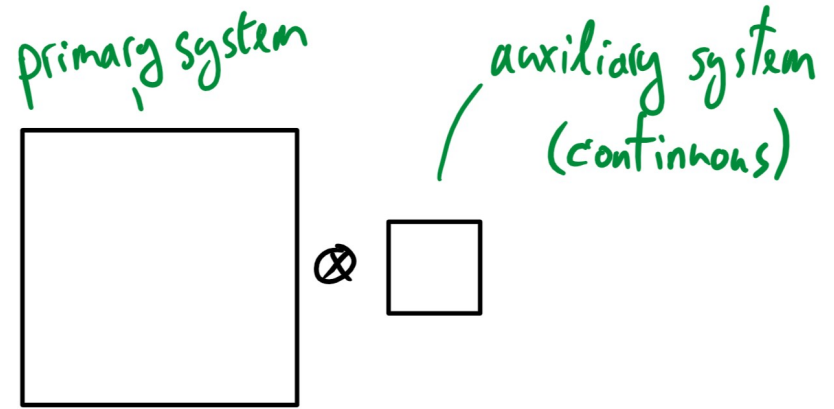
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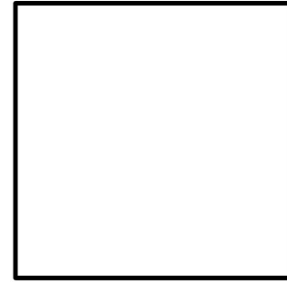
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