

# Weak qPCP (?)

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**Lemma.** *The promise problem  $\mathbf{LH}(k, a, b)$  such that  $a > \frac{9}{16}$  is **QMA**-complete. and there exist reduction that given a  $\mathbf{LH}(k, a, b)$  entity such that  $a < \frac{9}{16}$  returns  $\mathbf{LH}(k, a', b')$  such that (1)  $a' \geq \frac{9}{16}$ , (2) the gap remains the same, (3) and the number of terms expand only by constant factor.*

The proof is trivial.

**Definition.** *Given Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_i H_i$  and a state  $|\psi\rangle$  we will define the **table form of**  $|\psi\rangle$  relative to  $\mathcal{H}$  to be the following state over  $2n^2$  qubits:*

$$\text{Tableform}[\mathcal{H}, |\psi\rangle] = \bigotimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle) \quad (1)$$

We generalize that definition over set of states by  $\text{Tableform}[\mathcal{H}, \Omega] = \{ \text{Tableform}[\mathcal{H}, |\psi\rangle] : |\psi\rangle \in \Omega \}$ .

**Definition.** *Consider the  $\mathbf{LH}(k, a, b)$  and a space  $\Omega$  (not necessary vector space) such that the gap promise is valid only for states  $\in \Omega$ . We will call to such problems  $\Omega$ -weak promise local Hamiltonian or just  $\Omega$ -WLH. Note, that every  $\mathbf{LH}(k, a, b)$  is also  $\Omega$ -WLH when  $\Omega$  is the whole space.*

**Lemma.** *Let  $\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_i w_i H_i$  be a  $k$ -local Hamiltonian over  $n$  qubits with weak promise over  $\Omega$ , namely  $\Omega$ -WLH. Denote it's gap  $a - b = \Delta$ . Then there is an explicit polynomial reduction (In the hardness sense) to an instance of **Tableform** $[\mathcal{H}, \Omega]$ -WLH  $k$ -Hamiltonian over  $2 \cdot n^2$  qubits which with promise  $(a', b')$  and a gap  $\Delta' \geq 1.1\Delta$ .*

**Proof.** Consider a  $n \times n$  table such that each cell of the table holds  $2n$  qubits. And consider the Hamiltonian de-

fined by

$$\mathcal{H}' = \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{ij} \overbrace{I \otimes I \otimes \dots \otimes I}^{2 \cdot i \cdot j - 1} \otimes w_i w_j (H_i \otimes I + I \otimes H_j) \otimes I \otimes \dots \otimes I \quad (2)$$

Notice that each term act non trivially on at most  $k$  qubits. In another hand, if there exist a state such that  $\langle \psi | \mathcal{H} | \psi \rangle \geq a$  then the energy of the state  $|\psi'\rangle = \bigotimes_{i,j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle)$  is also greater then  $a$ . To see that let's analyze the contribution of the  $ij$ -term (up to  $w_i w_j$  factor):

$$\begin{aligned} & \overbrace{I \otimes I \otimes \dots \otimes I}^{2 \cdot i \cdot j - 1} \otimes (H_i \otimes I + I \otimes H_j) \otimes I \otimes \dots \otimes I |\psi'\rangle = \\ & \dots \otimes (H_i \otimes I + I \otimes H_j) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle) \otimes \dots = \\ & \dots \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (2H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle + H_i^2 |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j^2 |\psi\rangle) \otimes \dots = \end{aligned}$$

Hence by projecting over  $\langle \psi' |$  it sufficient to look only on the following inner product:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\langle \psi | H_i \otimes \langle \psi | + \langle \psi | \otimes \langle \psi | H_j) \\ & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (2H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle + H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle) = \\ & \frac{1}{2} (2 \langle \psi | H_i |\psi\rangle \cdot \langle \psi | H_j |\psi\rangle + \langle \psi | H_i |\psi\rangle \cdot \langle \psi | |\psi\rangle + \\ & \langle \psi | |\psi\rangle \cdot \langle \psi | H_j |\psi\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\Rightarrow \langle \psi' | \mathcal{H}' | \psi' \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{m} \sum_i \langle \psi | w_i H_i | \psi \rangle \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{m} \sum_i w_i \right) \left( \sum_i \langle \psi | w_i H_i | \psi \rangle \right)$$

It follows immediately that the gap over the *table state* is bounded by  $a' - b' = \frac{1}{2} (a^2 - b^2) + \frac{\sum w_i}{2m} (a - b) = \frac{1}{2} (a - b) (a + b) = \left( \frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{\sum w_i}{2m} \right) \Delta$ . By assuming  $a > \frac{9}{16}$  and  $a - b > \frac{1}{poly(n)}$  we obtain that  $\Delta' > 1.1\Delta$   $\square$

**NOTE.** If  $w_i < 0$  we could replace the operator  $H_i \mapsto -H_i$  and it's still remain pauli operator.

**Weak qPCP theorem.**  $QMA < qPCP(\log n, 2^n)$

**Proof.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a local Hamiltonian. Let's repeat on the above construction in recursive manner  $O(\log n)$  times, and denote the result by  $\mathcal{H}^*$ . Now if there exists a state  $|\psi\rangle$  such that  $\langle \psi | \mathcal{H} | \psi \rangle > a$  then it's clear that  $\text{Tableform}^{\log n}[|\psi\rangle]$  also has energy higher than  $a'$  and in the same way if for every  $|\psi\rangle$  it holds that  $\langle \psi | \mathcal{H} | \psi \rangle < b$  then the energy of every  $\text{Tableform}^{\log n}[|\psi\rangle]$  will be less than  $b'$ .

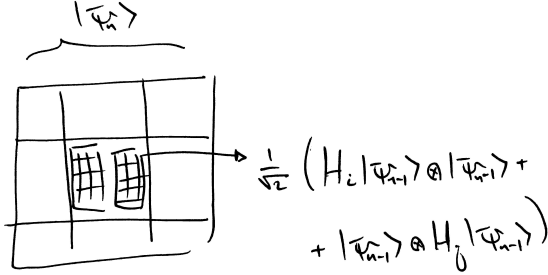


Figure 1: The final tableform state, will be a table of  $\Theta(2^n)$  cells, each cell holds super position above two tensored tableforms at lower depth.

**Lemma.** Let  $J$  be cell at the lowest depth of the table. Then if  $|\psi\rangle$  is indeed a state in the recursive tableform that were generated from  $|\phi\rangle$ , then there is a set  $\{H_1, H_2, H_3 \dots H_{l \leq \log n}\}$  such that:

$$|J\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{\frac{l}{2}}} (a_0 I + a_1 H_1 + a_2 H_1 H_0 + \dots + a_l H_l \dots H_2 H_1 H_0) |\phi\rangle$$

**Proof.** By induction. base case: consider a single level construction. Then the table by definition is  $|\psi'\rangle = \bigotimes_{i,j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H_i |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle + |\psi\rangle \otimes H_j |\psi\rangle)$ . Let  $2 \cdot (i, j)$  be an arbitrary cell.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H_i \otimes I + I \otimes H_j) |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle \Rightarrow$$

$$|J\rangle = \left( \sum |n\rangle \langle n| \otimes I \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (H_i \otimes I + I \otimes H_j) |\psi\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle$$

Assume the correctness of the Lemma for every  $n' < n + 1$ , that is, every cell in the  $n$ -stage table can be expressed as linear combination of at most  $\log n$ . So we get that:

$$\frac{1}{2^{\frac{l}{2}}} (a_0 I + a_1 H_1 + a_2 H_1 H_0 + \dots + a_l H_l \dots H_2 H_1 H_0) |\phi\rangle$$

let's fix again a cell  $(i, j)$

**Lemma.** Consider the product of  $|\psi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle$  there is a test which measure only  $O(1)$  qubits, accept with probability 1 if the states are equal and otherwise reject with probability  $p$ .

**Proof.** Perform the **SWAP** test on single arbitrary qubit. Assume that  $|\psi\rangle = \sum w_i |i\rangle$  and  $|\phi\rangle = \sum w'_i |i\rangle$ . Then the probability to measure  $|0\rangle$  is:

$$\langle 0|0\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_k \langle \psi, \phi | \text{SWAP}_1^k | \psi, \phi \rangle \right)$$

$$\langle \psi, \phi | \text{SWAP}_1^k | \psi, \phi \rangle =$$

$$\sum \langle \psi_1^i \dots \phi_k^j \dots \psi_n^i \phi_1^j \dots \psi_k^i \phi_n^j | \psi_1^l \dots \psi_n^l \phi_1^m \dots \phi_n^m \rangle w_i w'_j w_l w'_m =$$

$$\sum \langle \psi_1^i \dots \phi_k^j \dots \psi_n^i \phi_1^j \dots \psi_k^i \phi_n^j | \psi_1^l \dots \psi_n^l \phi_1^m \dots \phi_n^m \rangle w_i w'_j w_l w'_m$$

For each  $i, j$  pair there is a four pairs  $m, l$  such that the bracket above is non zero, that because we can choose

either  $l = m$  or that  $m = l \oplus e_k$ . Let's compute each option separately:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \langle \psi_1^i \dots \phi_k^j \dots \psi_n^i \phi_1^j \dots \psi_k^i \phi_n^j | \psi_1^i \dots \psi_n^i \phi_1^j \dots \phi_n^j \rangle w_i^2 w_j'^2 = \\ \sum \langle \psi_k^i | \phi_k^j \rangle^2 w_i^2 w_j'^2 = \sum_{i[k]=j[k]} w_i^2 w_j'^2 \Rightarrow 4 \sum_{i[k]=j[k]} w_i^2 w_j'^2 \end{aligned}$$

We would expect that if the wights were disturbed uniformly then:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i[k]=j[k]} w_i^2 w_j'^2 \right] &= \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i[k] \neq j[k]} w_i^2 w_j'^2 \right] \\ \Rightarrow \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i[k]=j[k]} w_i^2 w_j'^2 \right] &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{ij} w_i^2 w_j'^2 \right] = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_i w_i^2 \right] \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_j w_j'^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \langle \psi | \psi \rangle \langle \phi | \phi \rangle \end{aligned}$$