

# Locality estimates for complex-time evolution in 1D

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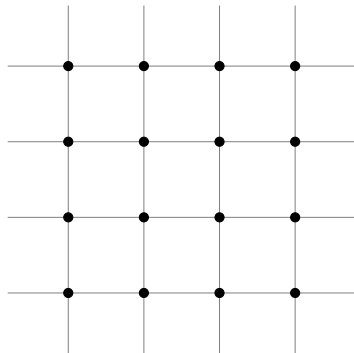
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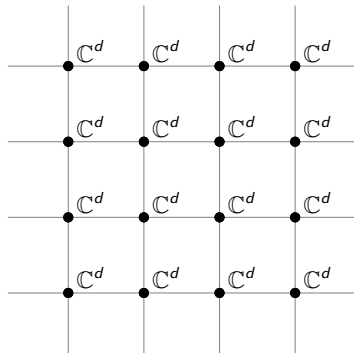
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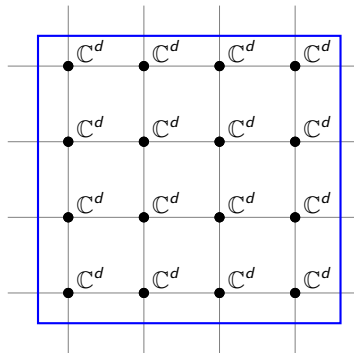


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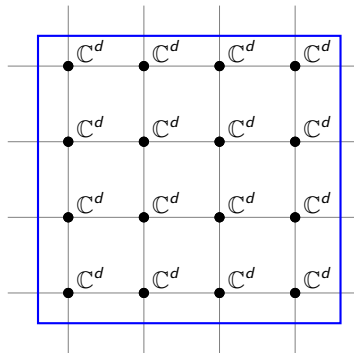




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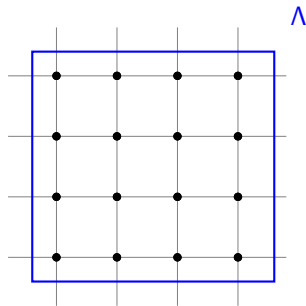
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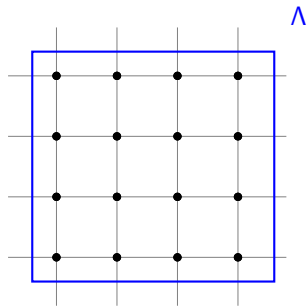
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In general, this problem is **undecidable!!!!**:

- ▶ 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

Marius Lemm,<sup>1, [1]</sup> Anders W. Sandvik,<sup>2,3, [2]</sup> and Ling Wang<sup>4, [3]</sup>

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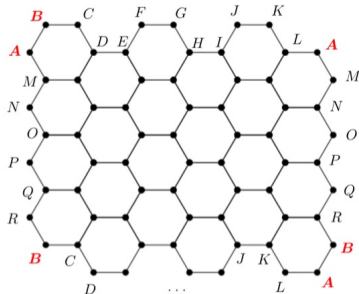
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$$\mathcal{H}_{m_1, m_2} = \bigotimes_{j \in \Lambda_{m_1, m_2}} \mathbb{C}^4. \quad (1)$$

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

$$H_{m_1, m_2}^{\text{AKLT}} = \sum_{\substack{j, k \in \Lambda_{m_1, m_2}: \\ j \sim k}} P_{j, k}^{(3)}, \quad (2)$$

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



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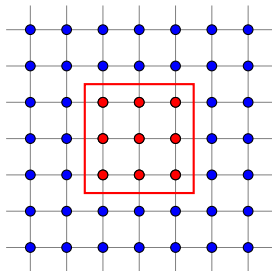
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Let  $|\psi\rangle$  be a state. It can be written as

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_j |u_j\rangle \otimes |v_j\rangle.$$

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

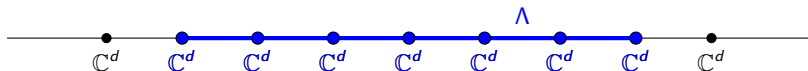
$$|\psi\rangle \neq |\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\psi_B\rangle \quad \text{for every } |\psi_A\rangle, |\psi_B\rangle.$$



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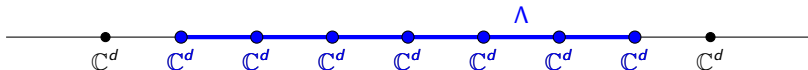
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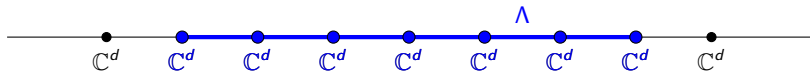
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where  $A_i^{[j]} \in M_{D \times D}(\mathbb{C})$  for  $i = 1, \dots, d$  and  $j = 1, \dots, N$ .



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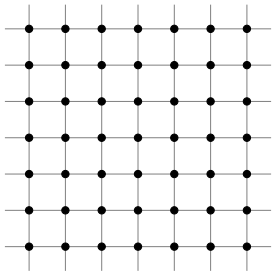
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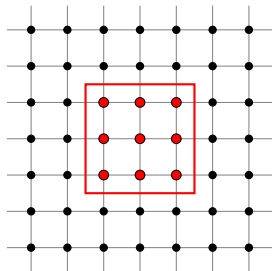
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In 1D this is known to be a generic property. But what about 2D???

## PART II: LOCALITY ESTIMATES



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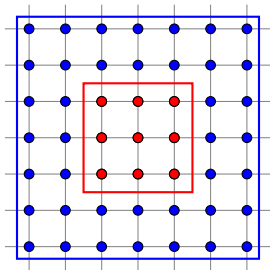


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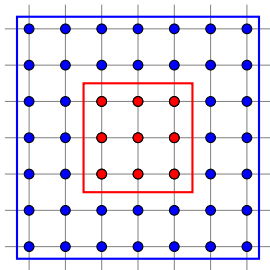
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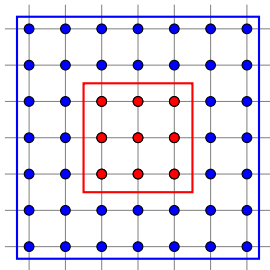
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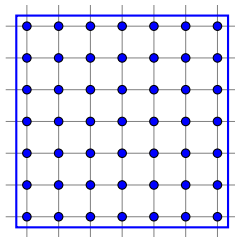
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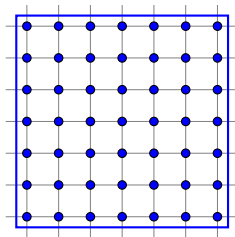
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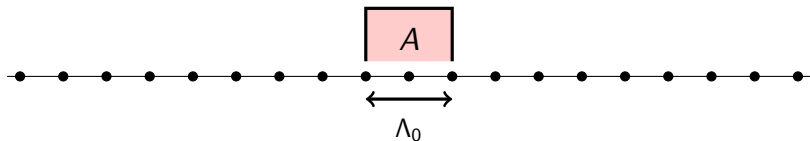


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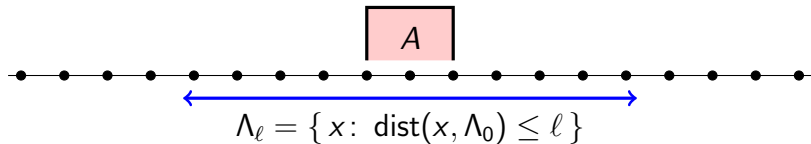
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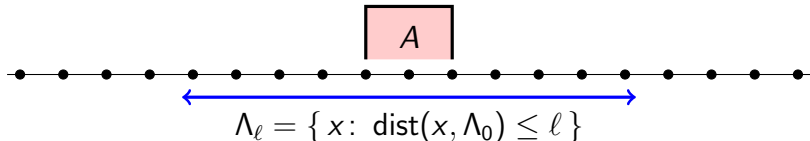
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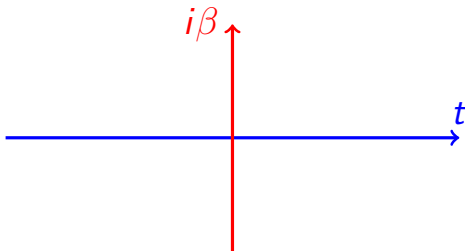
Lieb, Robinson (1972), Hastings (2004), Nachtergaele, Sims (2006), Hastings, Koma (2006), Nachtergaele, Ogata, Sims (2010) ...

## Problem

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

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

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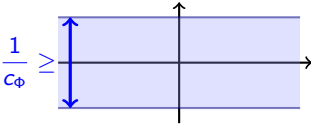


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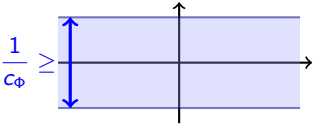
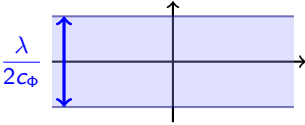
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# Mathematical open problems in projected entangled pair states

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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.