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# Tensor Network

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# Introduction

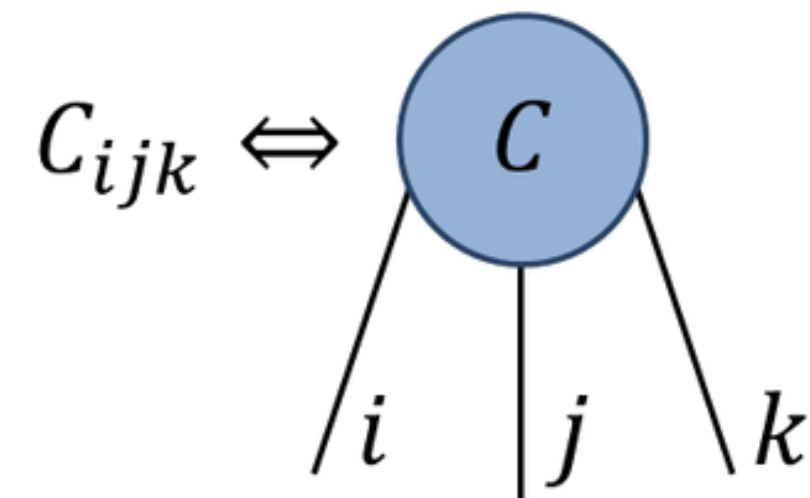
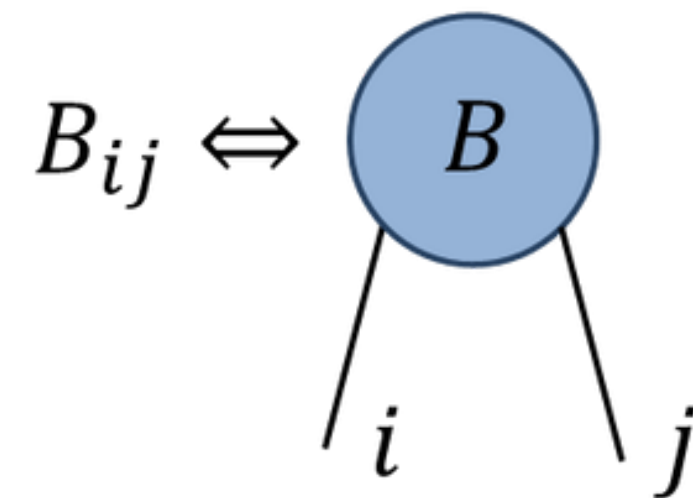
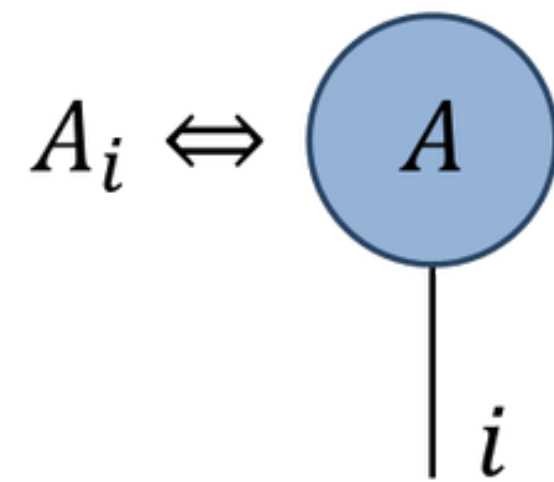
- What are tensor networks used for?
  - To represent sets of correlated data
  - Applications:
  - To study quantum many-body systems, tensor networks are used to encode the coefficients of a state wave function
  - To study classical many-body systems, tensor networks are used to encode statistical ensembles of microstates (partition function)
  - Big data analytics, tensor networks can represent multidimensional data
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- Why tensor networks?
  - Offer a greatly compressed representation of a large structured data set
  - Potentially allow for a better characterization of structure within a data set, particularly in terms of the correlations, diagrammatic notation used to represent networks can provide a visually clear and intuitive understanding of this structure
  - Offer a distributed representation of a data set, many manipulations can be performed in parallel
  - Allow a unified framework for manipulating large data sets
  - Well suited for operating with noisy or missing data, decompositions are robust
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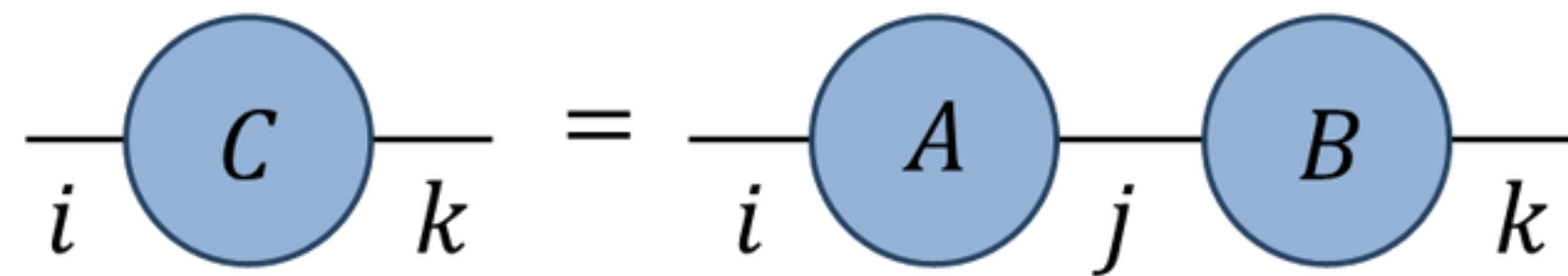
# The fundamentals of Tensor Networks

- A tensor can be understood as a multi-dimensional array of numbers.
- Diagrammatic notation for tensors: a solid shape with a number of legs corresponding its order

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \\ \vdots \\ A_m \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & \cdots & B_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{m1} & \cdots & B_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \left[ \begin{bmatrix} C_{111} & \cdots & C_{1n1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{m11} & \cdots & C_{mn1} \end{bmatrix}^1 \right]^2 \Bigg]^3$$

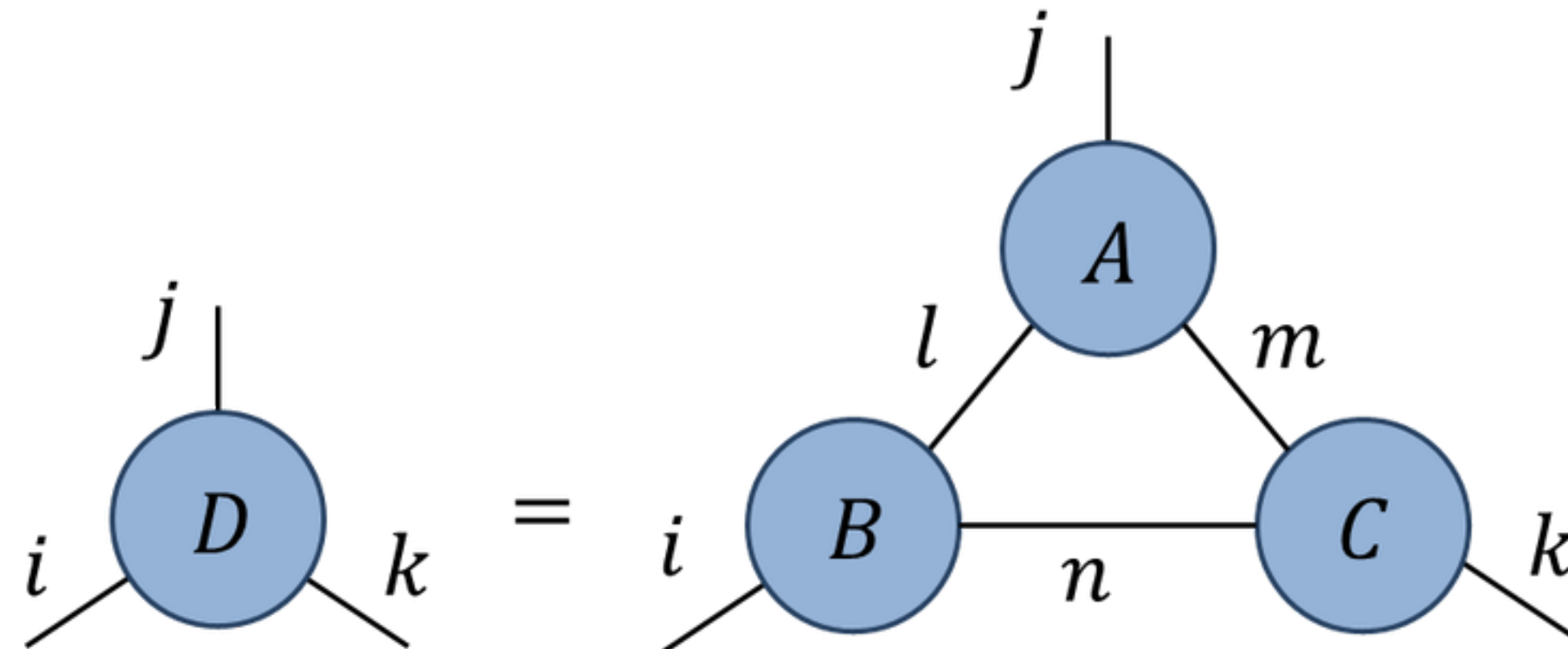


- Form networks comprised of multiple tensors, index shared by two tensors denotes a contraction over this index



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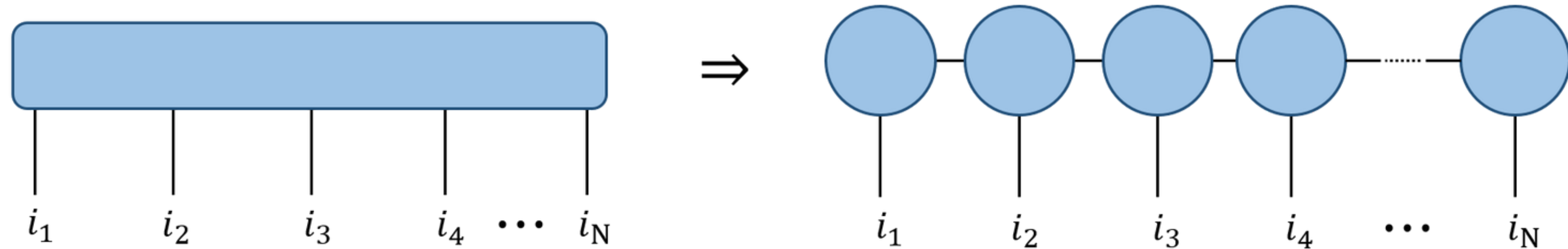
$$C_{ik} = \sum_j A_{ij} B_{jk}$$



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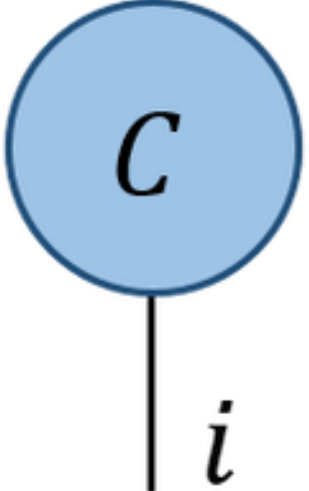
$$D_{ijk} = \sum_{lmn} A_{ljm} B_{iln} C_{nmk}$$

- The goal is to approximate a single high-order tensor as a tensor network composed of many low-order tensors. the total dimension of a tensor grows exponentially with its order.



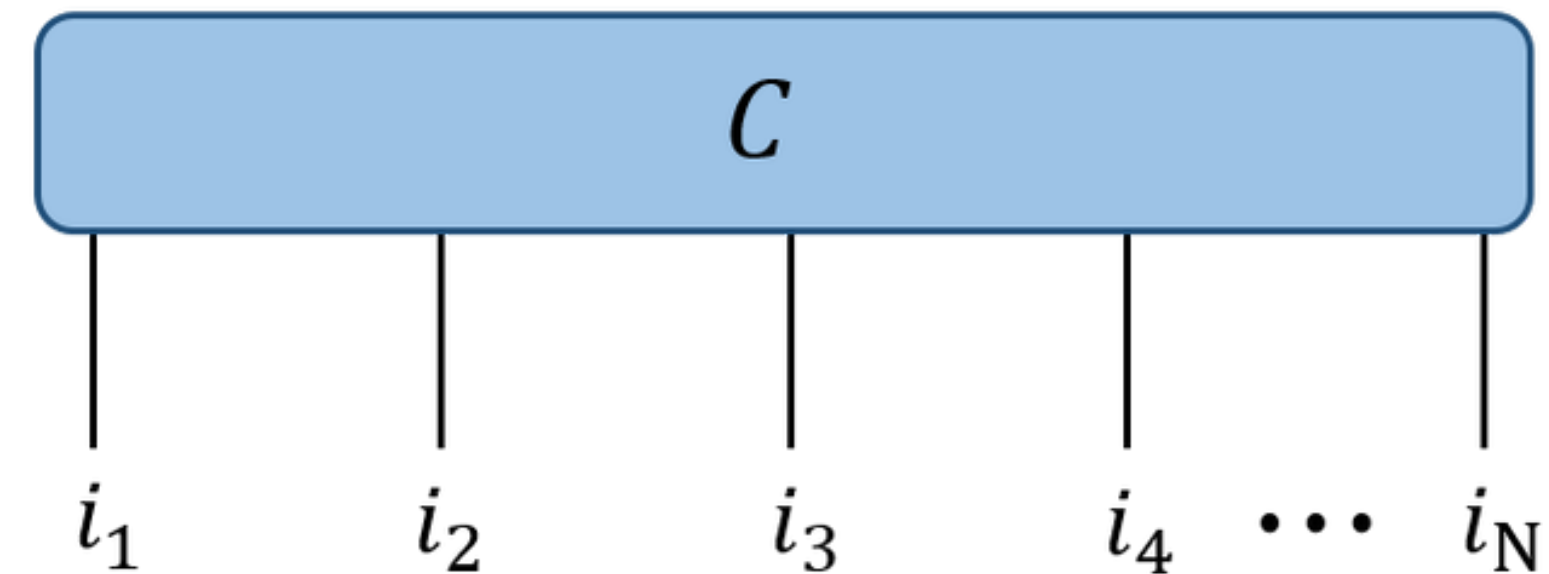
# Tensor networks for quantum many-body systems

- Tensor networks most commonly are used for representing quantum wave functions
- A (pure) state  $|\phi\rangle$  for the system is represented as a vector in the Hilbert space whose dimension is  $d$

$$|\phi\rangle = C_1|1\rangle + C_2|2\rangle + \cdots + C_d|d\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^d C_i|i\rangle$$
A blue circle labeled 'C' with a vertical line extending downwards from its center, ending at the label 'i'.

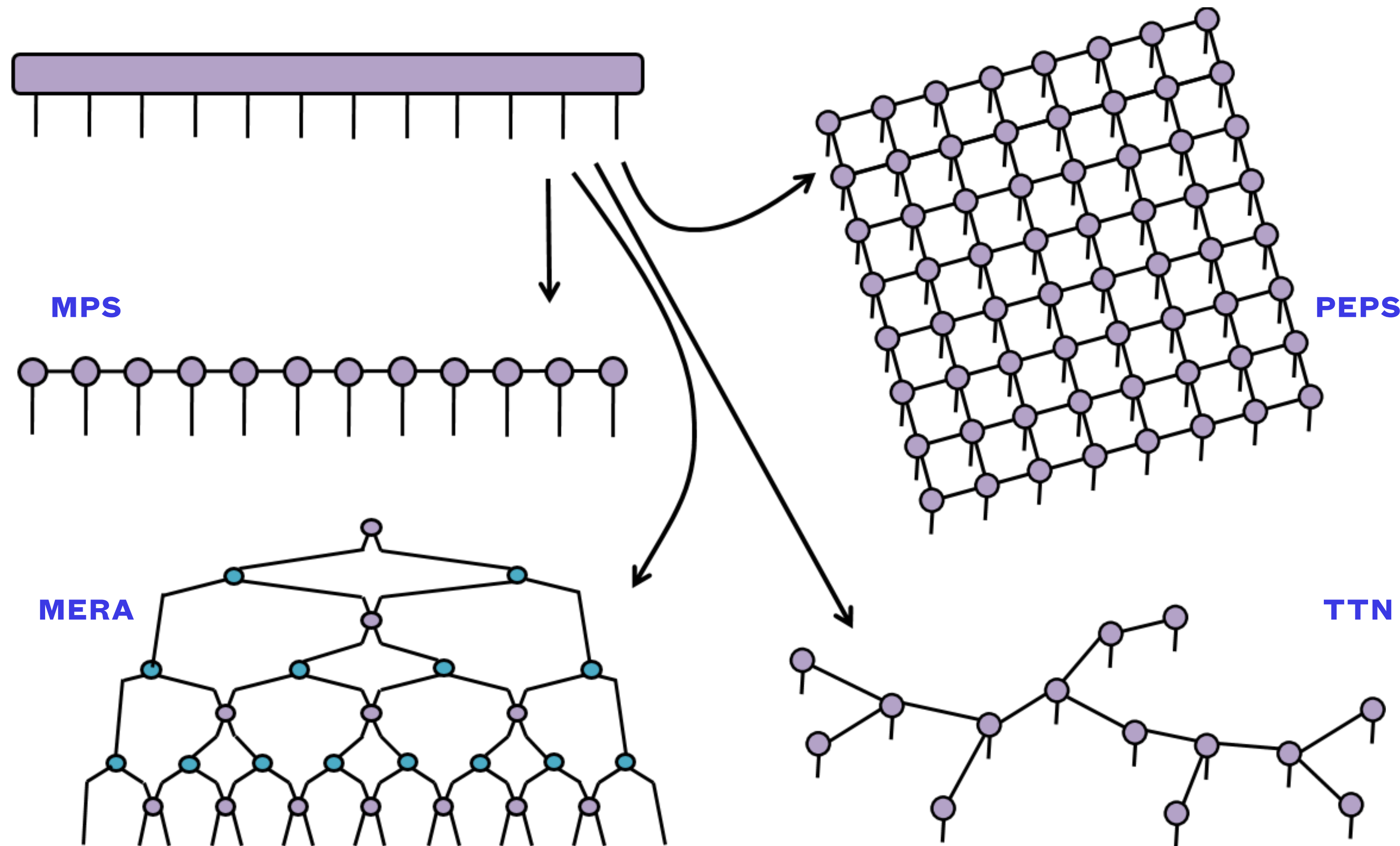
- A quantum many-body system composed of  $N$  individual systems of dimension  $d$
- A pure wave function  $|\psi\rangle$  of the composite system is given by an order- $N$  tensor

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N} C_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N} |i_1\rangle |i_2\rangle \cdots |i_N\rangle$$





- In a typical many-body problem, we begin with a Hamiltonian and want to find the ground state. In this setting, tensor networks are most commonly used as ansatz for quantum states
- Common tensor network ansatz include MPS, TTN, MERA, PEPS



- The choice of best tensor network ansatz for a particular problem depends on the geometry of the problem as well as its physical properties.
- Choose a specific tensor network ansatz, randomly initializing an instance of this network, vary parameters within the tensors by iterations and find a best approximation to the ground state of the system