

# Tensor Networks for Chemical Reaction Network Rate Calculations

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# Overview

Doi-Peliti framework expresses Markov jump processes in a second quantized form.

[Doi, Peliti, Garrahan, van Wijland, Cardy, Tauber, others]

Given a Hamiltonian in second quantized form, tensor network numerical methods from quantum dynamics controllably find ground states (steady states here) and propagate dynamics.

[Fishman, White, Stoudenmire, Vanderstraeten, Haegeman, Verstraete, others]

Put the two together as a numerical method for calculating the rate of a rare event in a many-body discrete jump process.



# Act I: Sick of Sampling



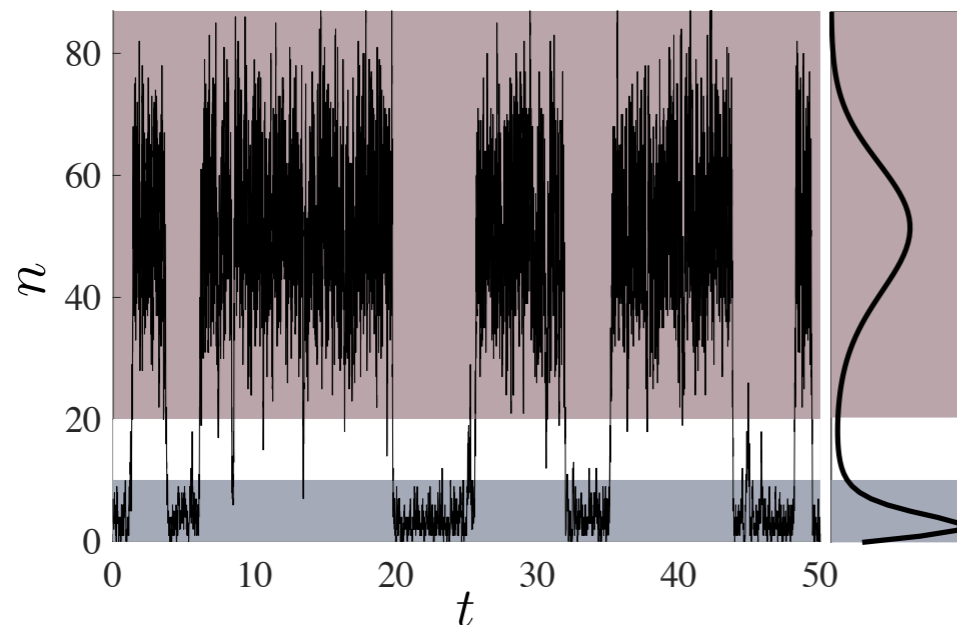
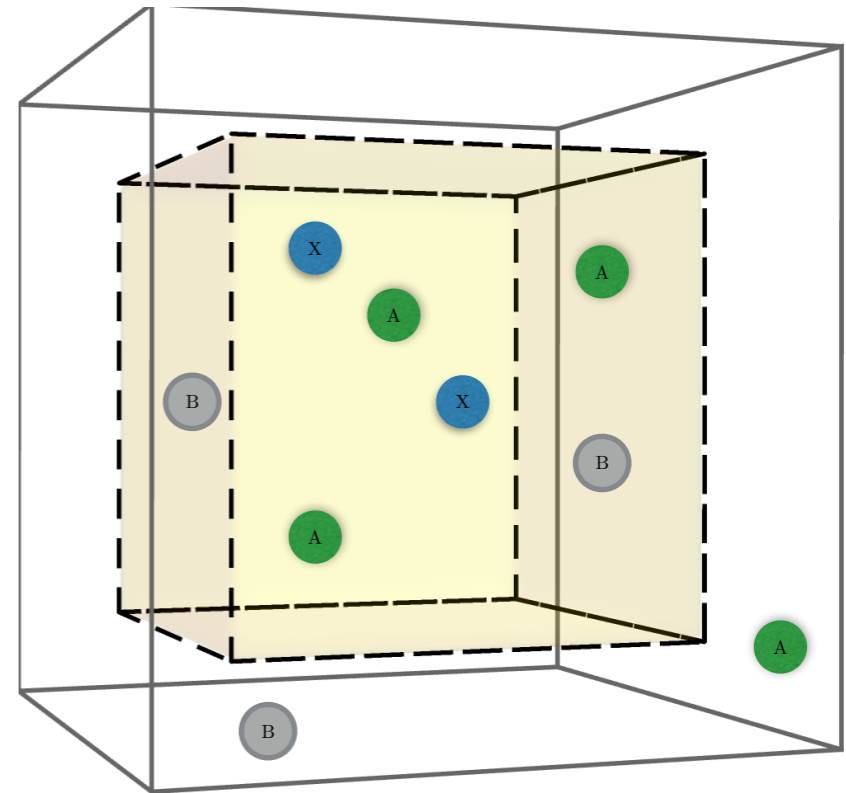
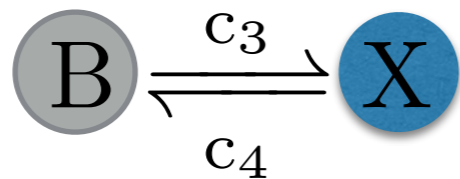
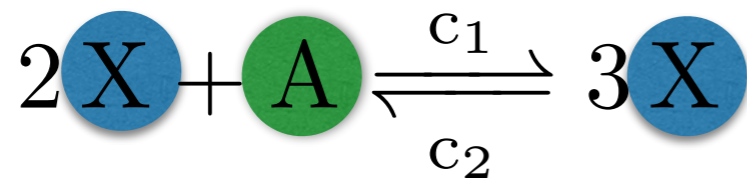
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# Well-mixed chemostated chemical kinetics

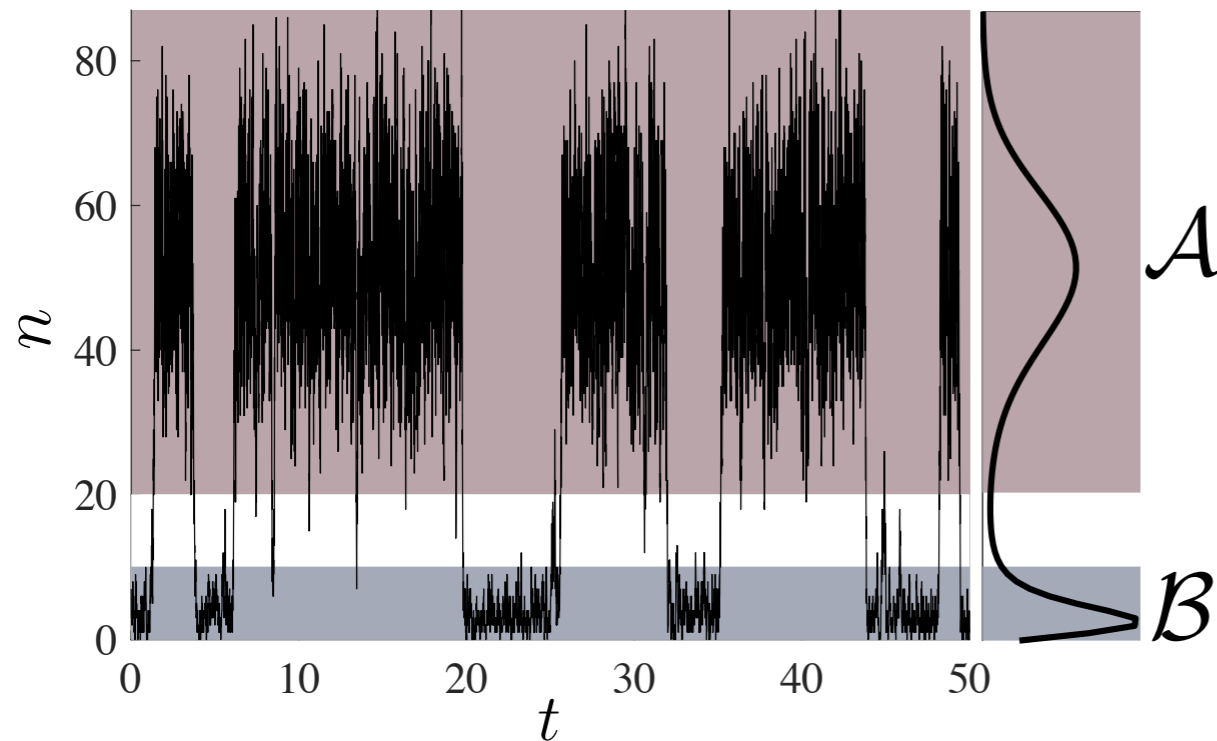
Schlögl (1972)



Stochastic switching with a  
rate characterizing switches  
between high and low  
concentration of X



# Rate calculations from realizations

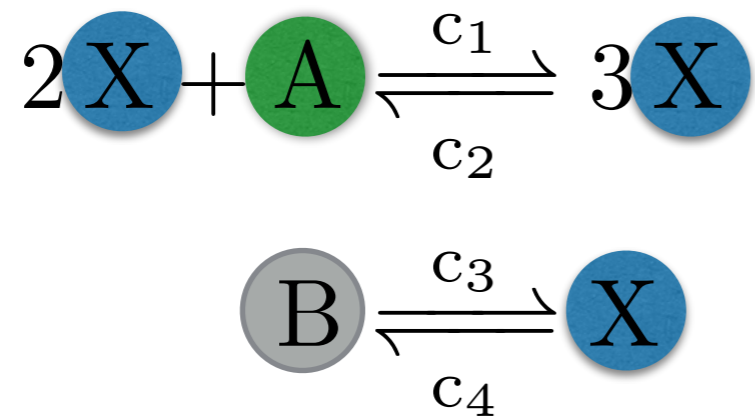


- Brute force Gillespie/SSA
- Milestoning
- TPS
- FFS
- Other Advanced Sampling

$$\approx \frac{1}{k}$$



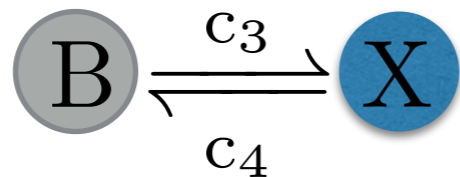
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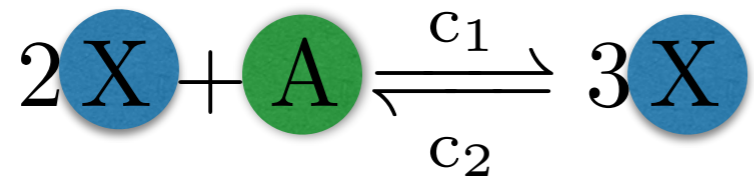
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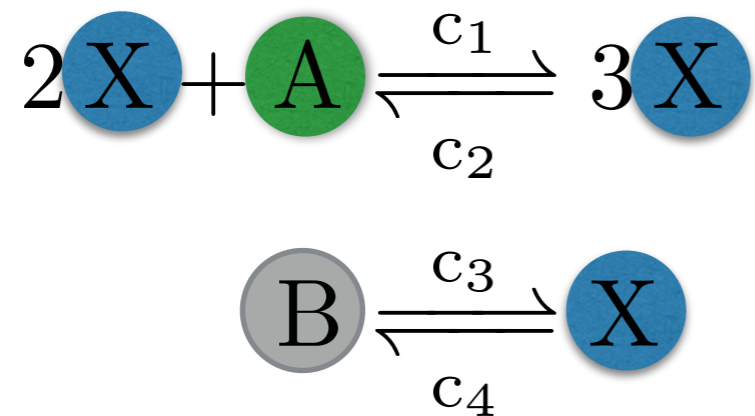
# Evolution of the distribution



$$|p\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} p_{X=0} \\ p_{X=1} \\ p_{X=2} \\ p_{X=3} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W_A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & -n_A c_1 & c_2 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & n_A c_1 & -3n_A c_1 - c_2 & 4c_2 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3n_A c_1 & -10n_A c_1 - 4c_2 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

# Realizations versus distributions



$$\mathbb{W} = \mathbb{W}_A + \mathbb{W}_B$$

$$\frac{\partial |p\rangle}{\partial t} = \mathbb{W}|p\rangle \quad \text{Master Equation}$$

$$|p(t)\rangle = e^{\mathbb{W}t} |p(0)\rangle$$

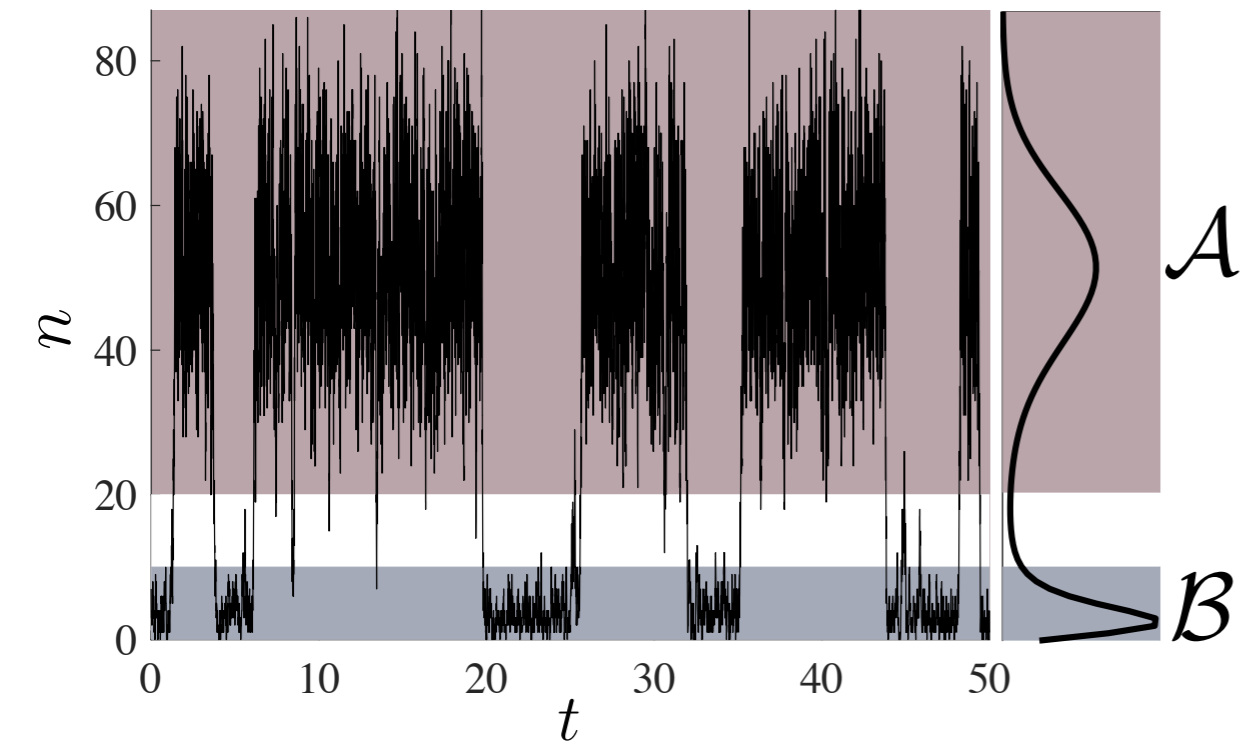
Matrix exponentiation naturally averages over all possible trajectories

$$|p_{ss}\rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{\mathbb{W}t} |p(0)\rangle$$

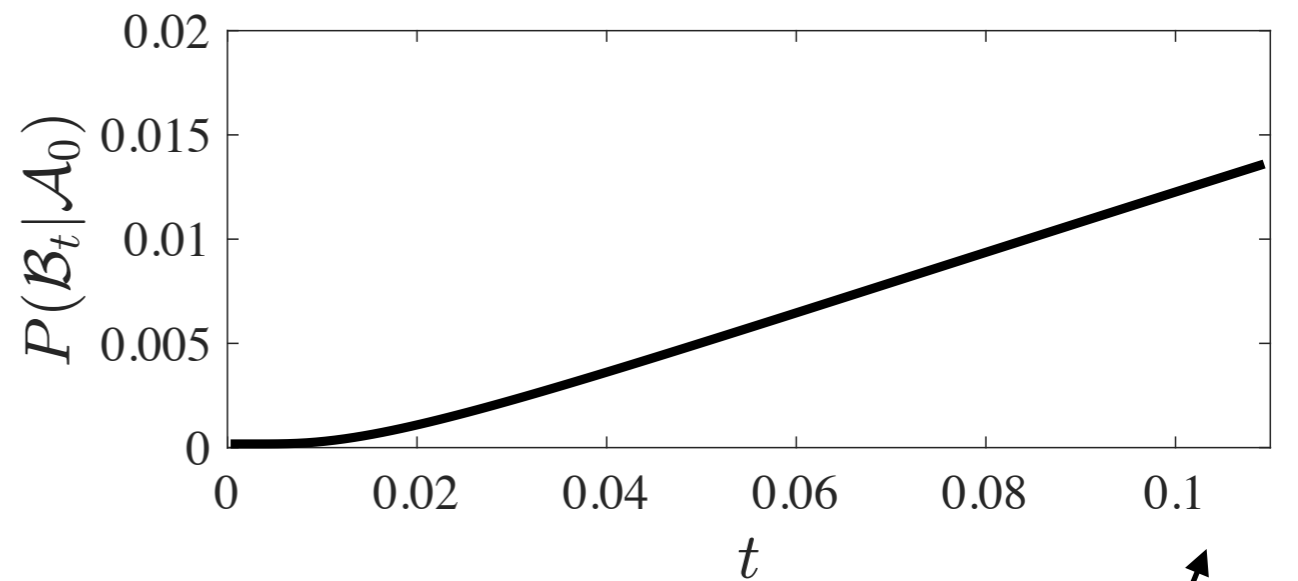
The maximal eigenvector gives the steady state *distribution*



# Rate calculations from propagators

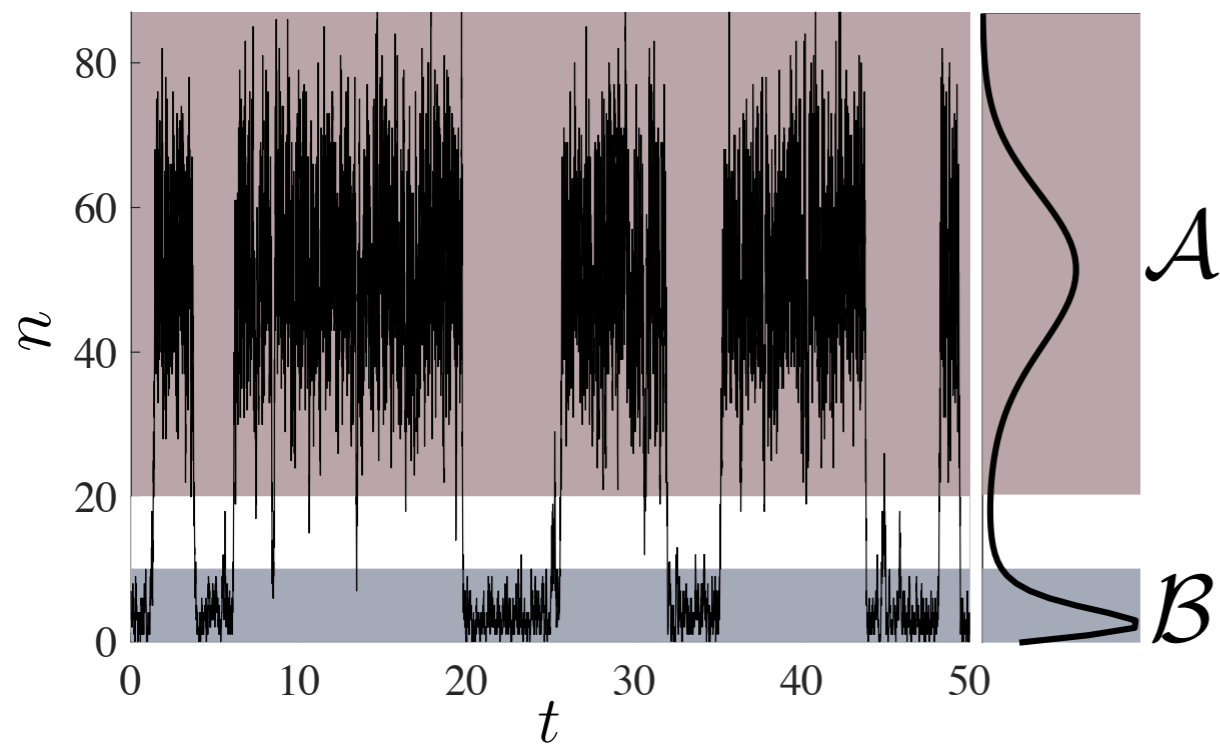


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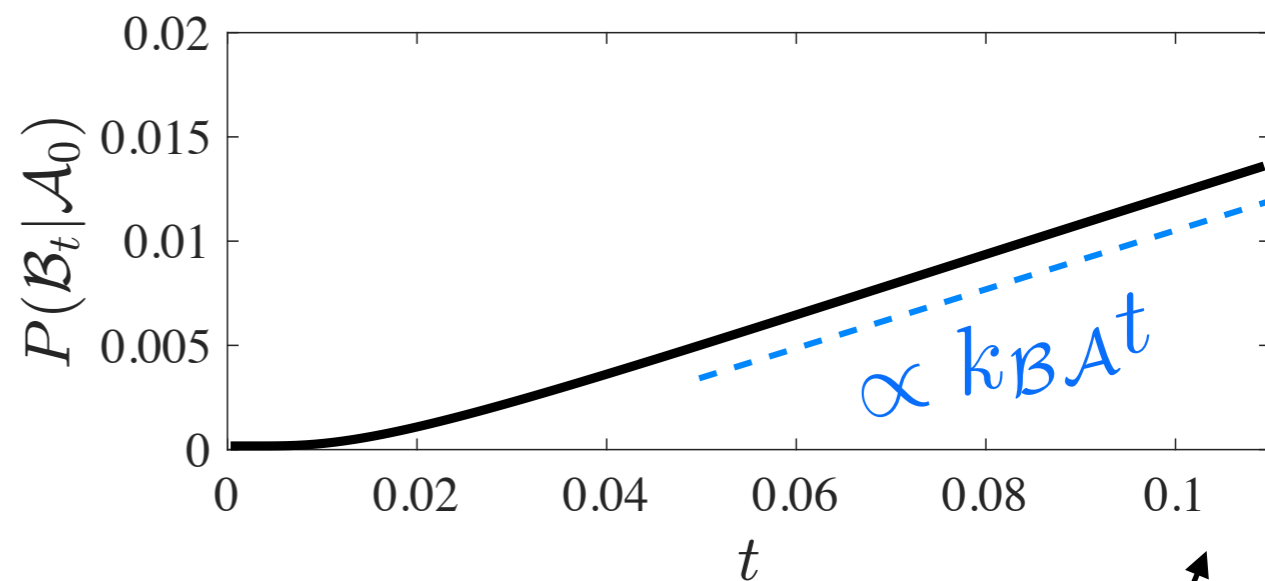


$$t \ll \frac{1}{k}$$

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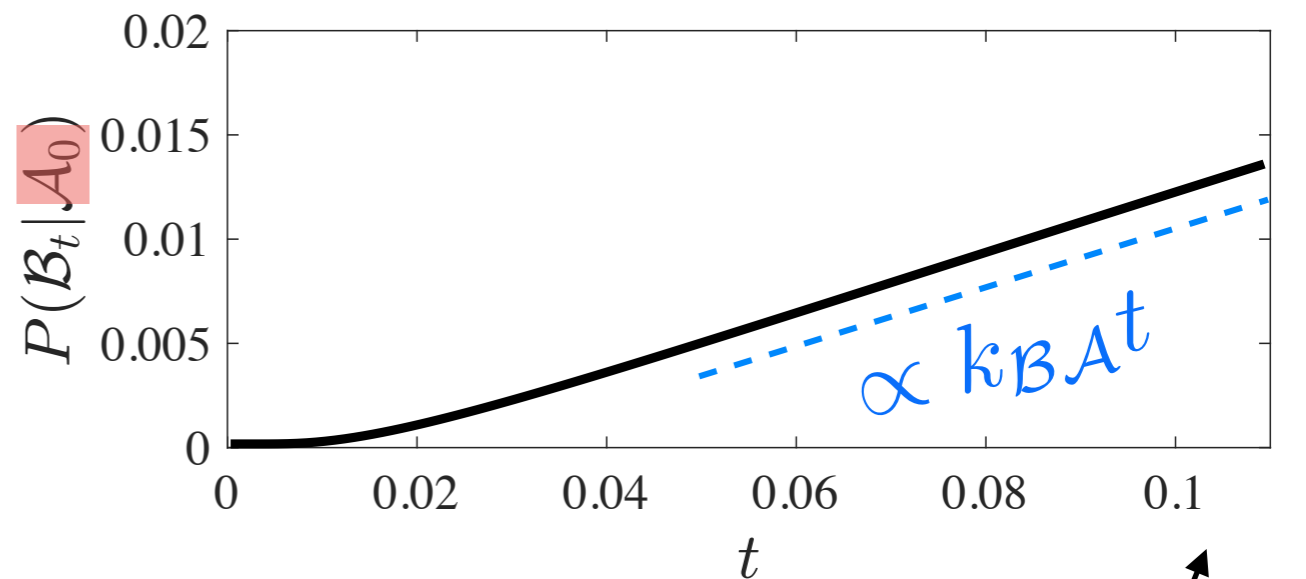
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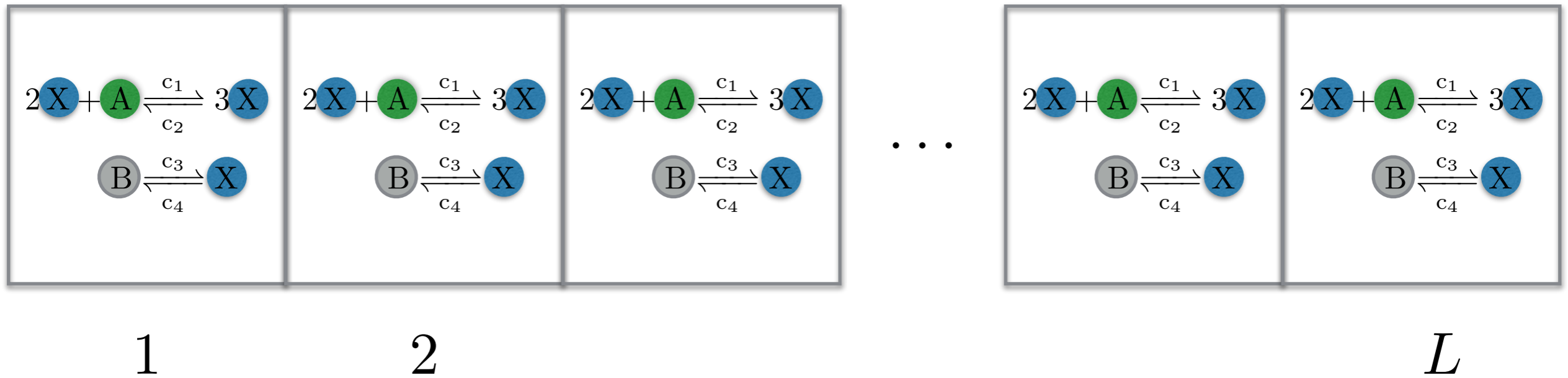
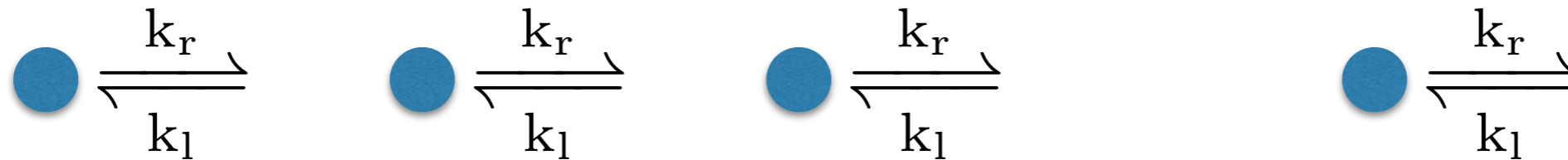
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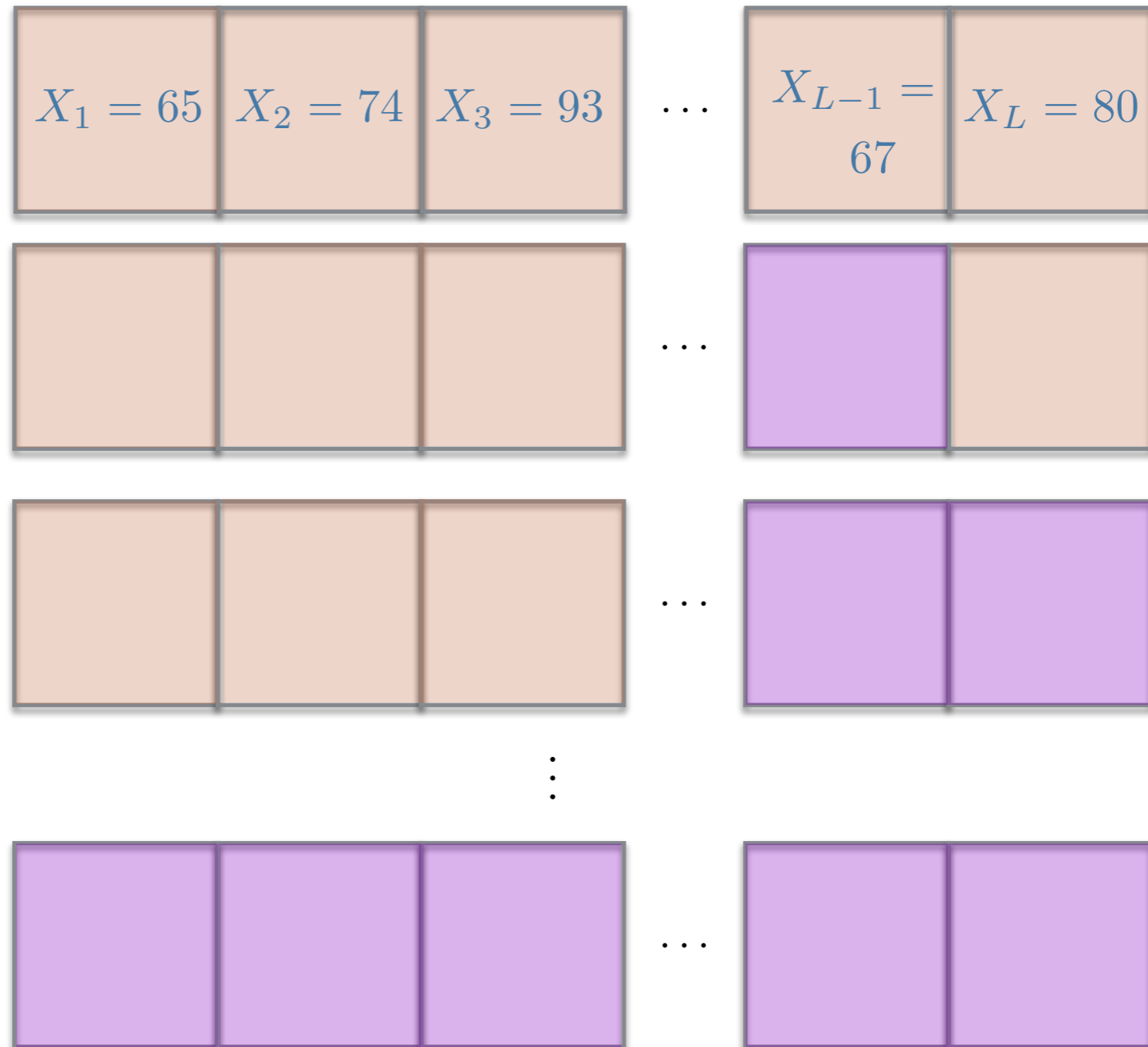
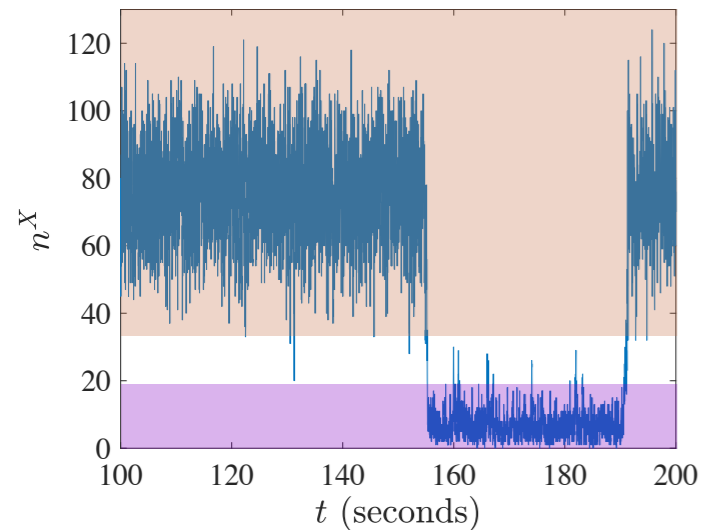
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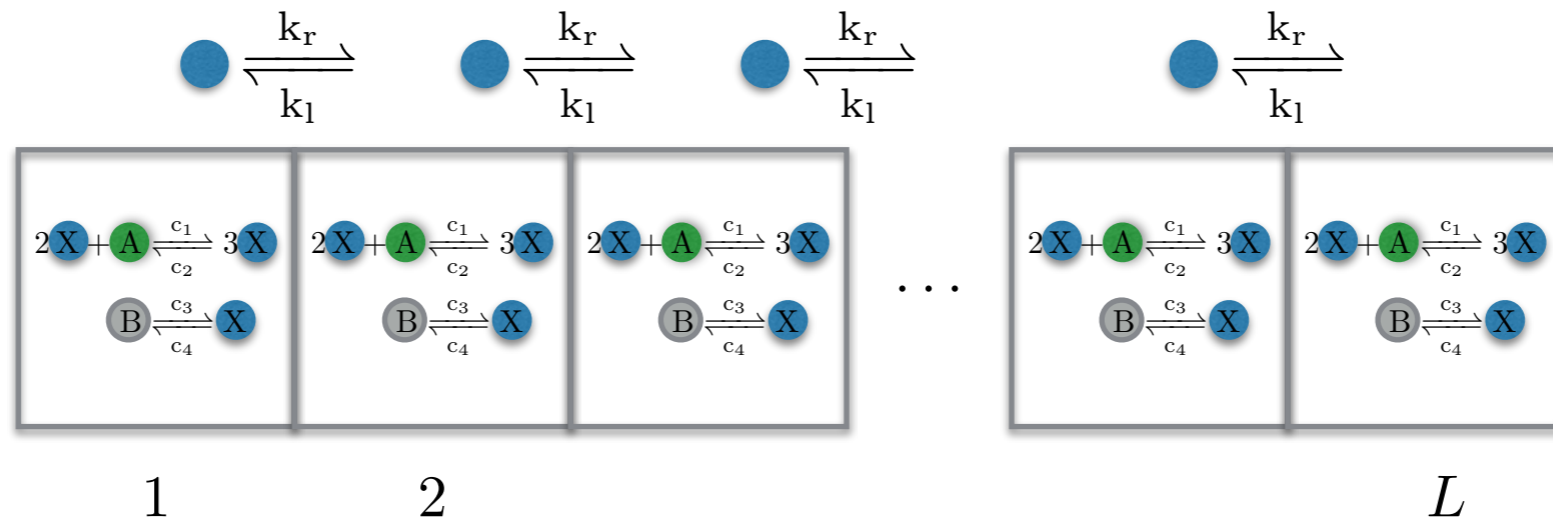
# Reaction Diffusion



# Collective hops from high- $X$ to low- $X$ states...



# Two different issues...



## Gillespie realizations

Time between events shrinks  
as system size grows

## Evolution of distribution

Many-body problem

$$|p\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} p_{X=0} \\ p_{X=1} \\ p_{X=2} \\ p_{X=3} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad W_B = \begin{pmatrix} -n_B c_3 & c_4 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ n_B c_3 & -n_B c_3 - c_4 & 2c_4 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & n_B c_3 & -n_B c_3 - 2c_4 & 3c_4 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & n_B c_3 & -n_B c_3 - 3c_4 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$



# Act II:

# Tensor Networks



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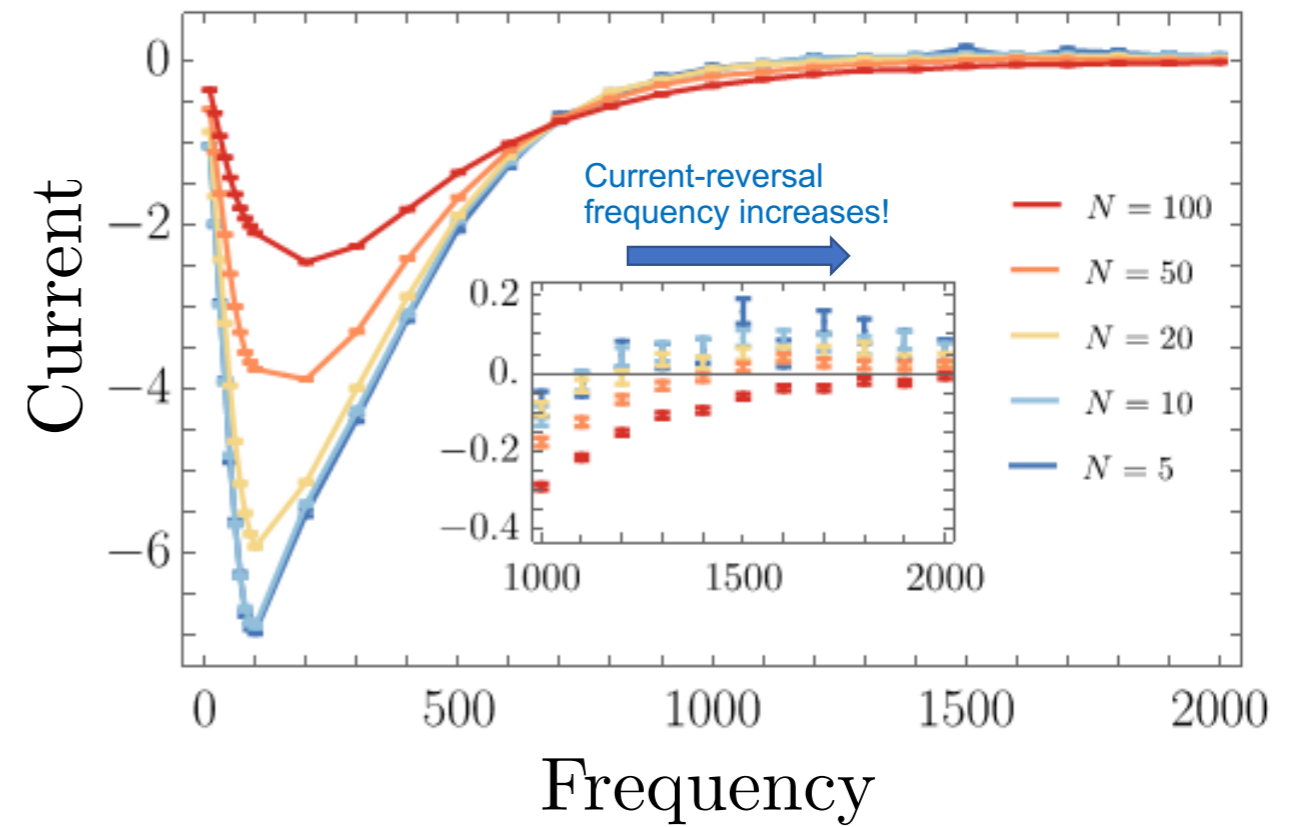
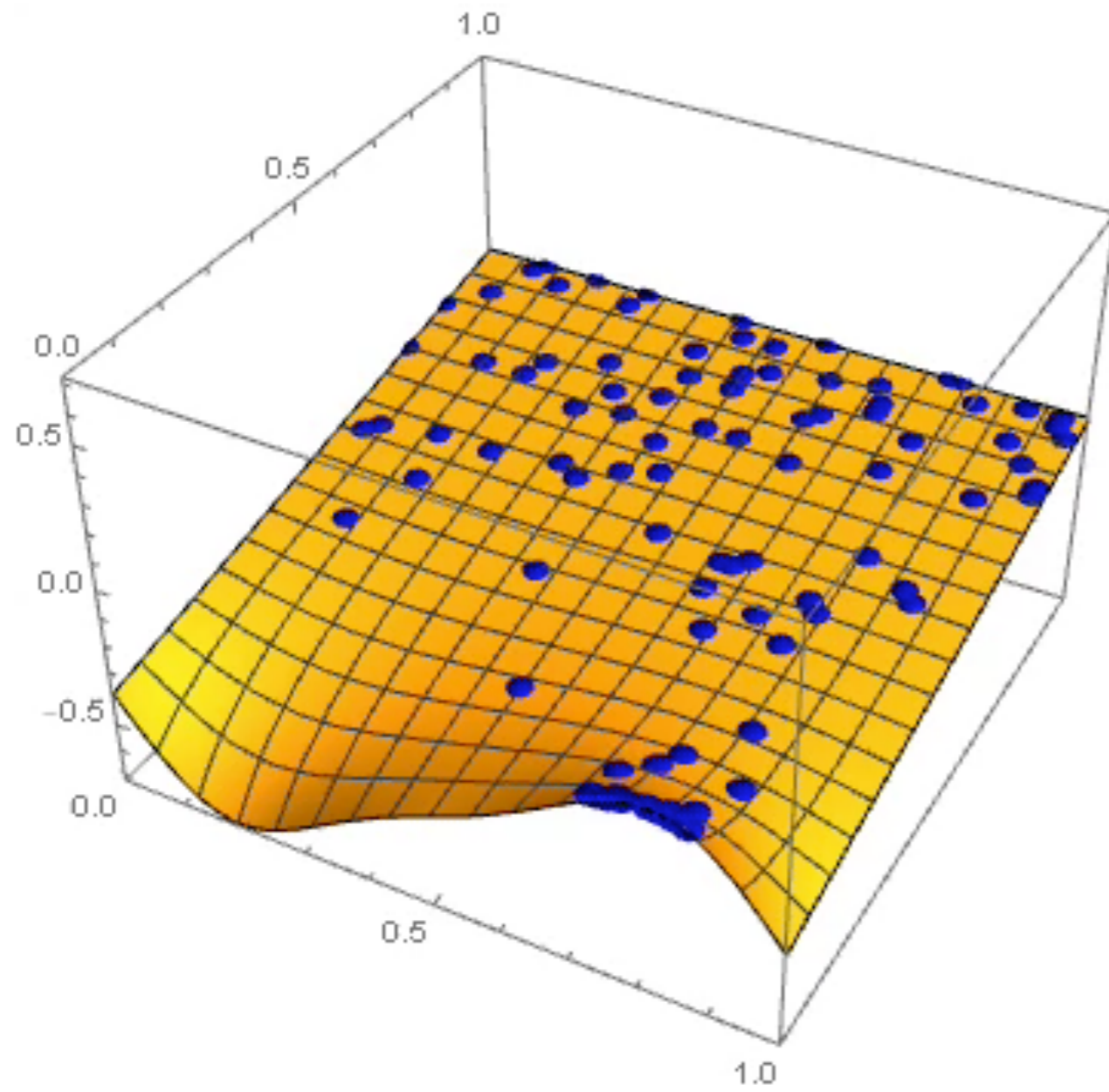


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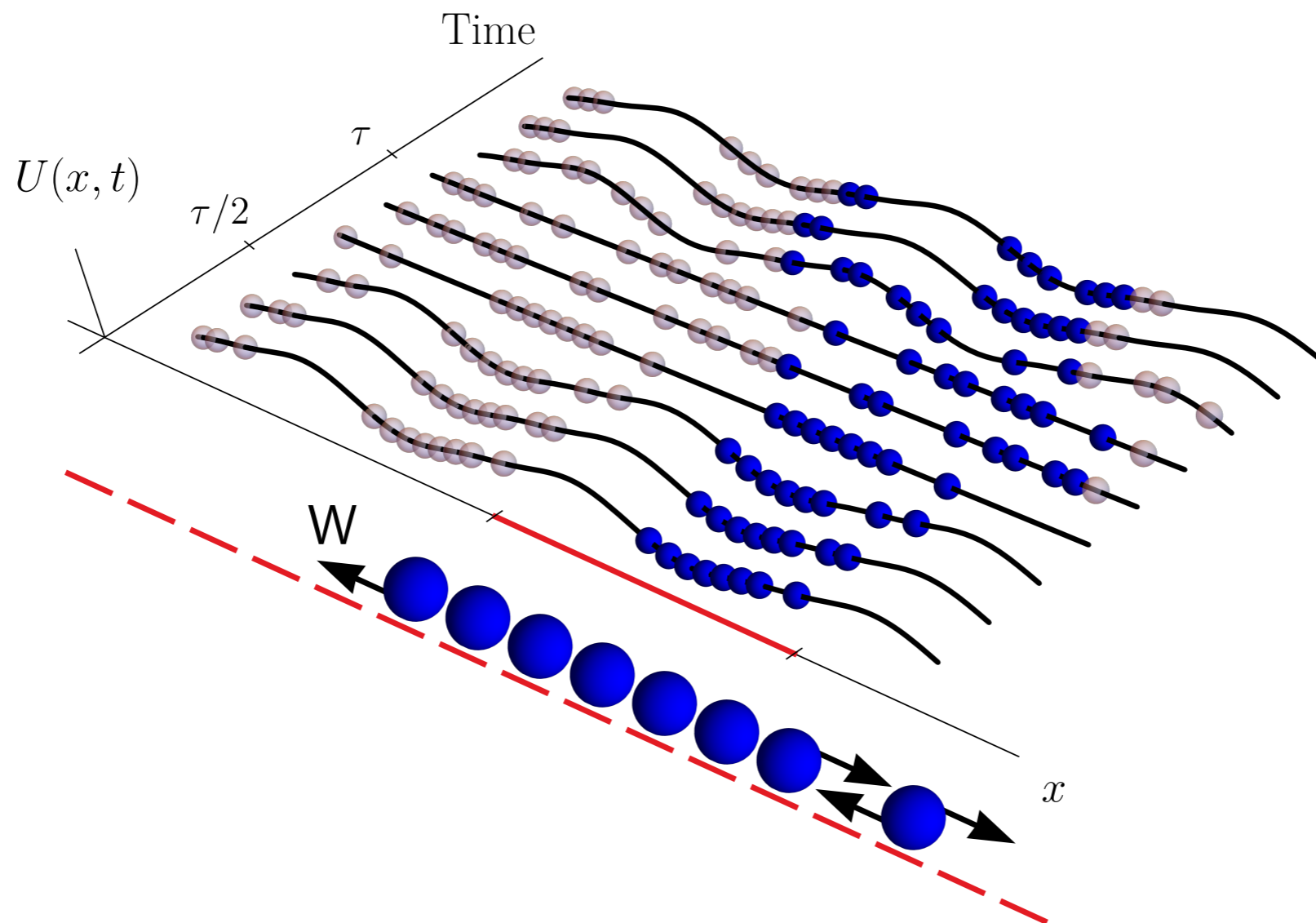
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# Ratchets and Current Reversals



# What would it take to evolve a 1d flashing ratchet in distribution?

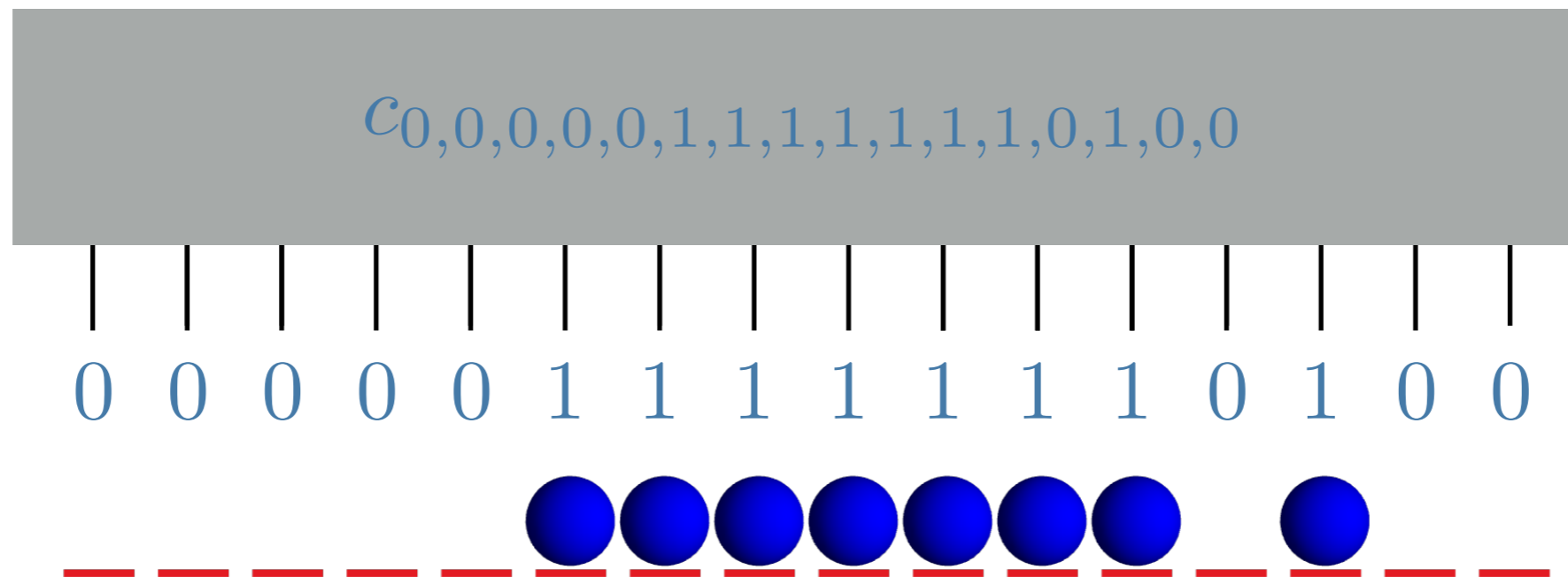


$$|p\rangle = \sum_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_L} c_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_L} |X_1, X_2, \dots, X_L\rangle$$

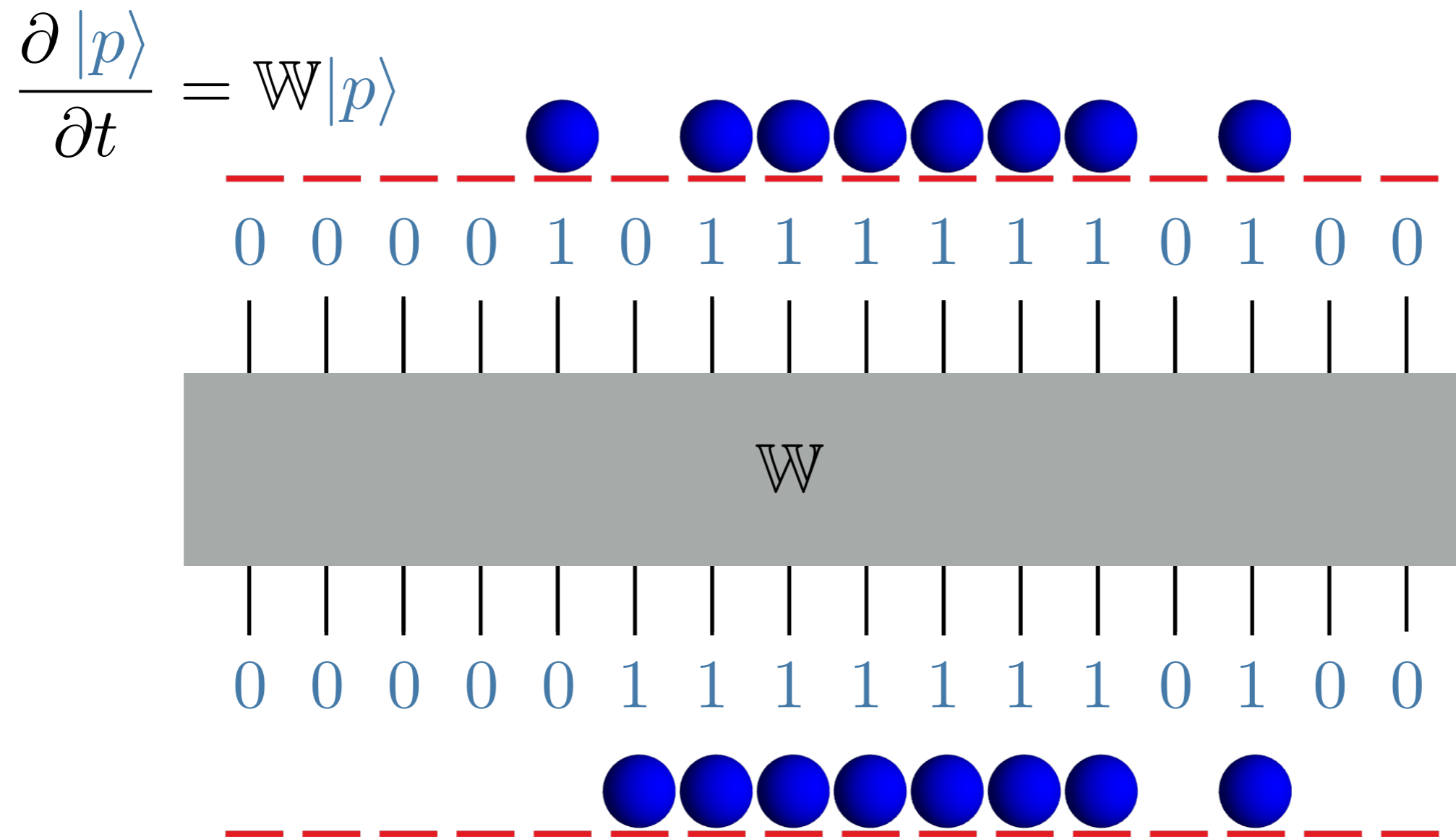


The distribution over microstates is encoded in a rank L tensor

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The rate matrix for transitions between microstates is a rank  $2L$  tensor



# A second-quantized representation

$$\mathbb{W} = \sum_{i=1}^L \left[ r_{i \rightarrow i+1} (a_i a_{i+1}^\dagger - n_i v_{i+1}) + r_{i+1 \rightarrow i} (a_i^\dagger a_{i+1} - v_i n_{i+1}) \right]$$

$$\langle \text{---} \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \text{---} | \mathbb{W} | \text{---} \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \text{---} \rangle = r_{6 \rightarrow 5}$$

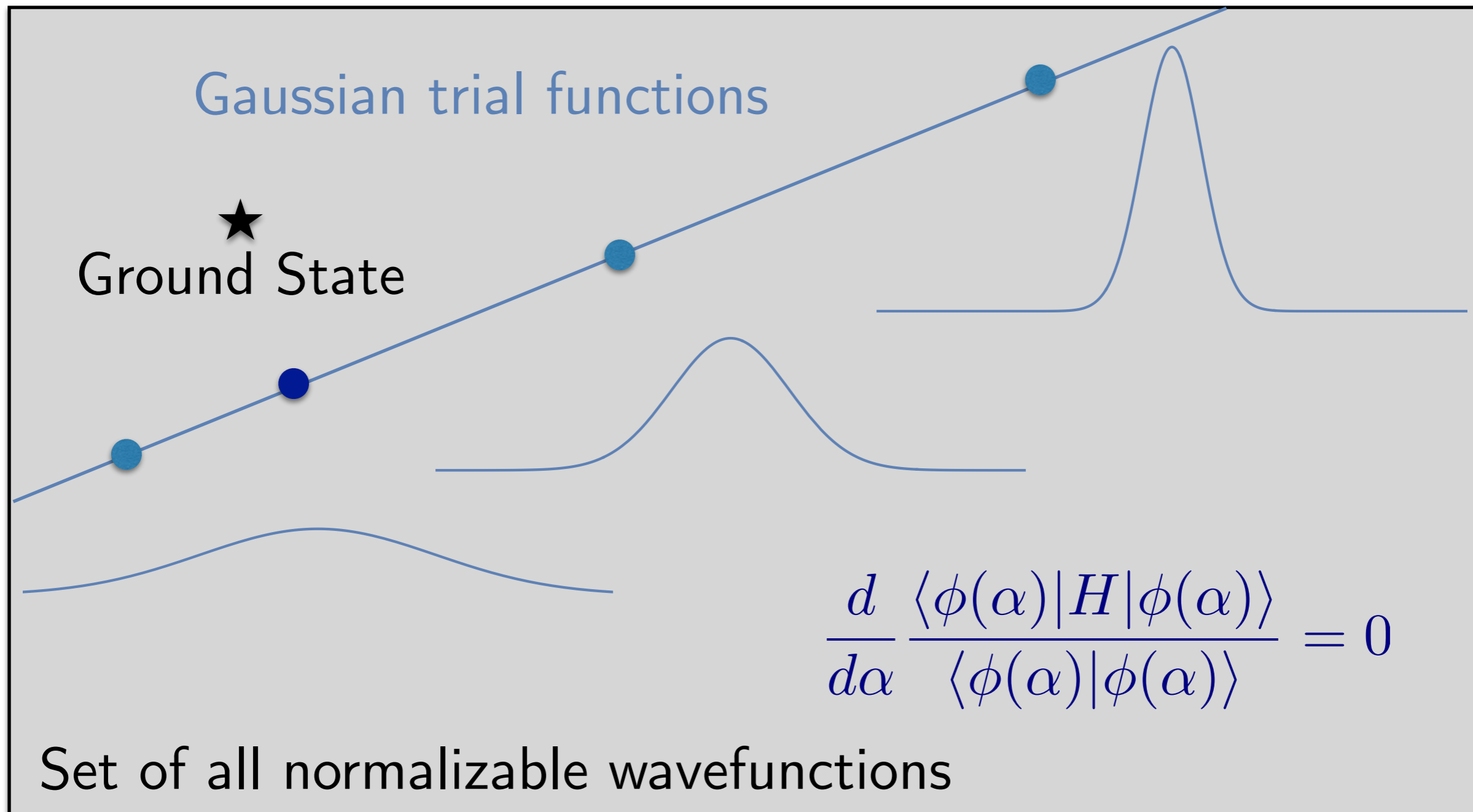
This Doi-Peliti form can't save me from the fact that there are too many microstates to enumerate their probabilities:

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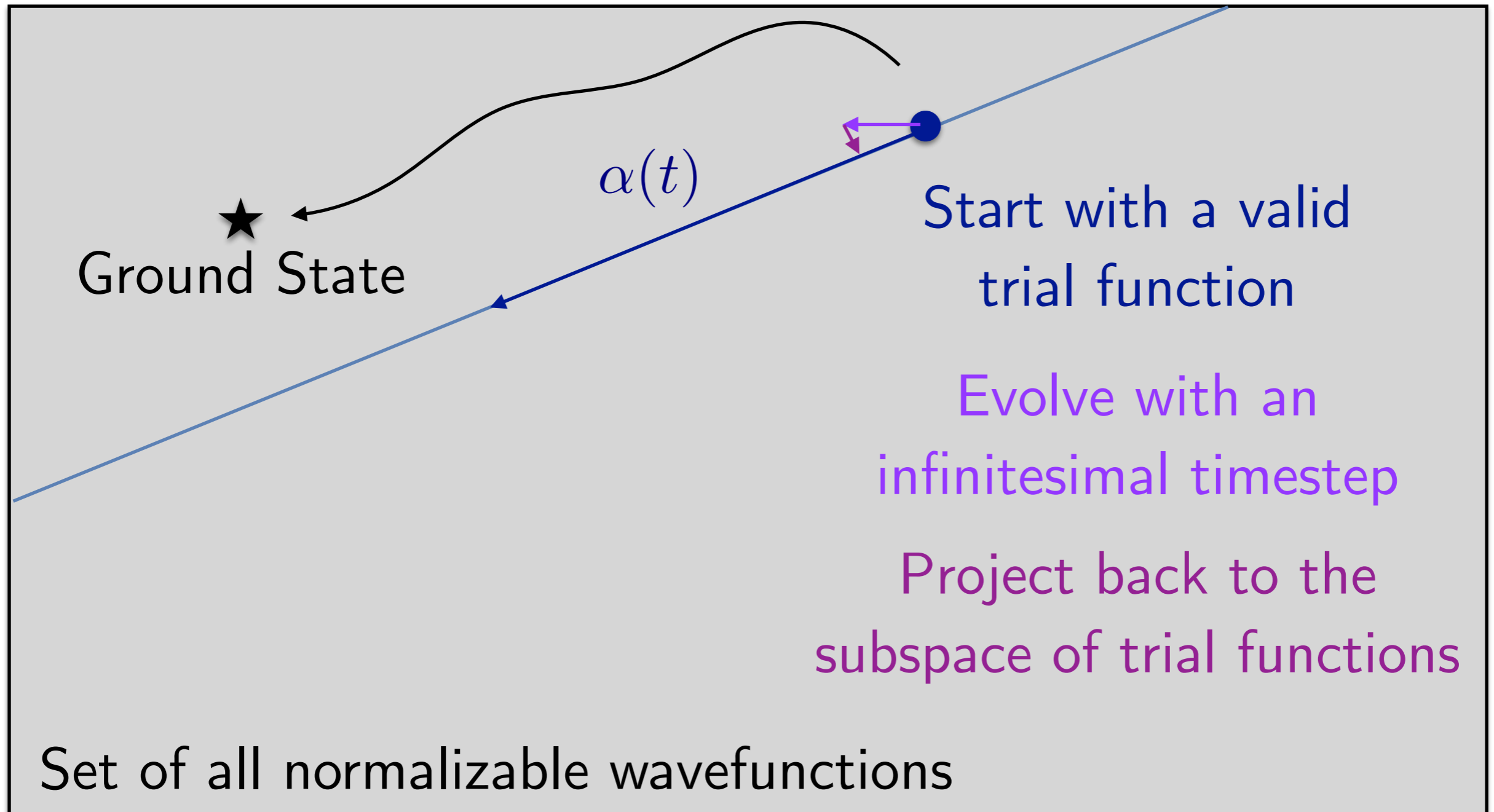
We need a variational principle a la quantum mechanics.

[Doi 1976, Peliti 1985]

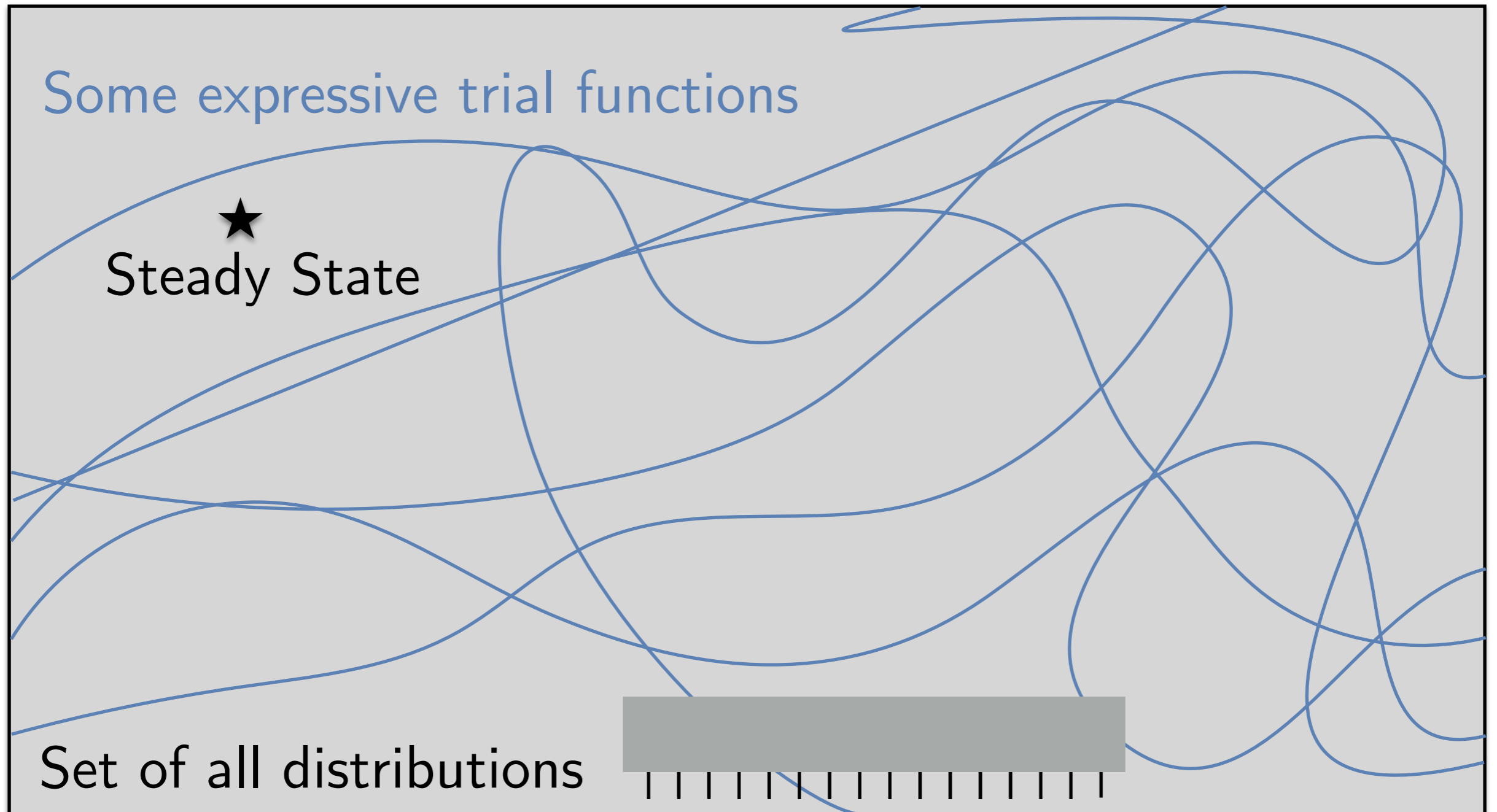
# A variational principle



# A time-dependent variational principle (TDVP)



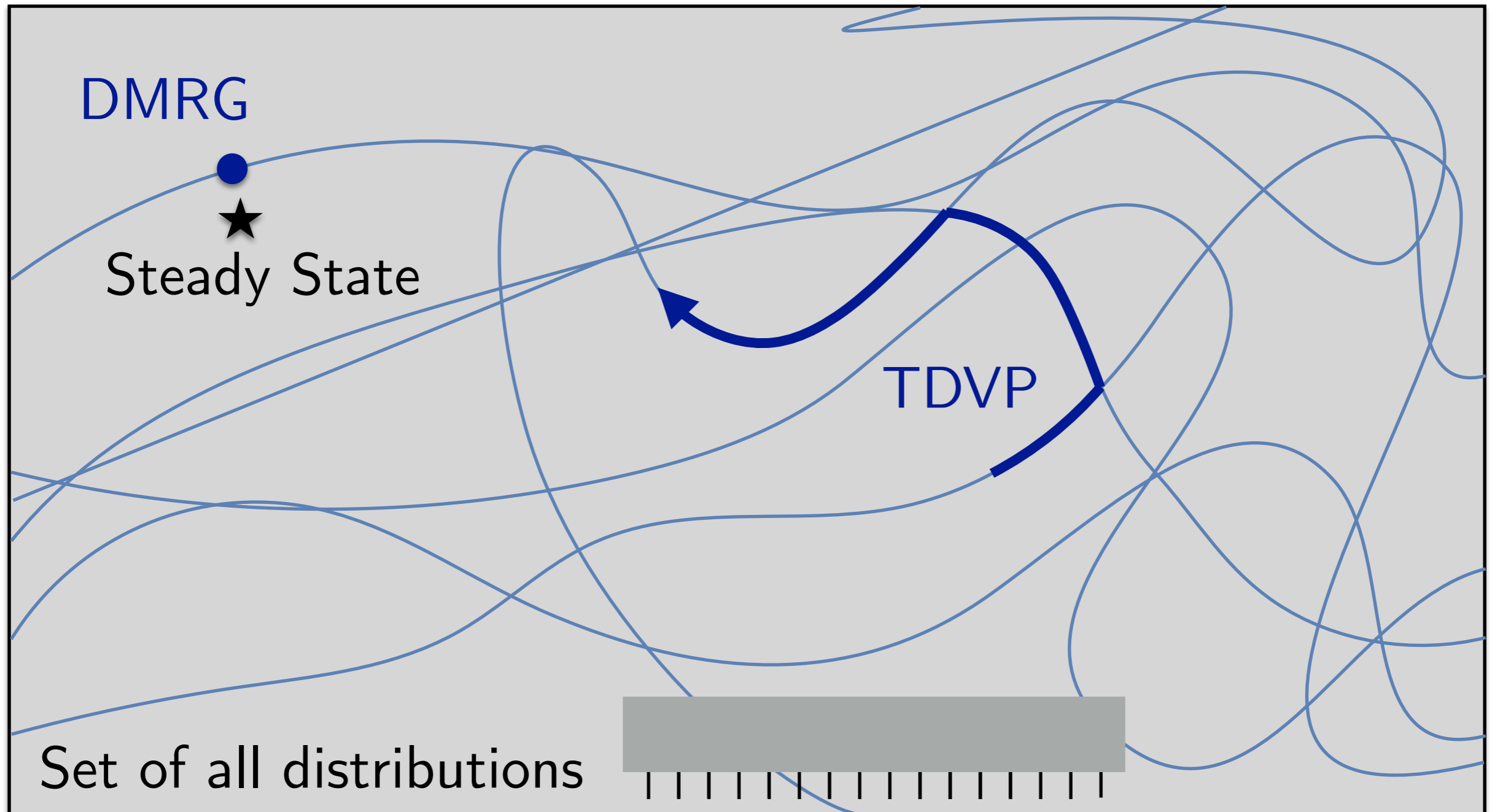
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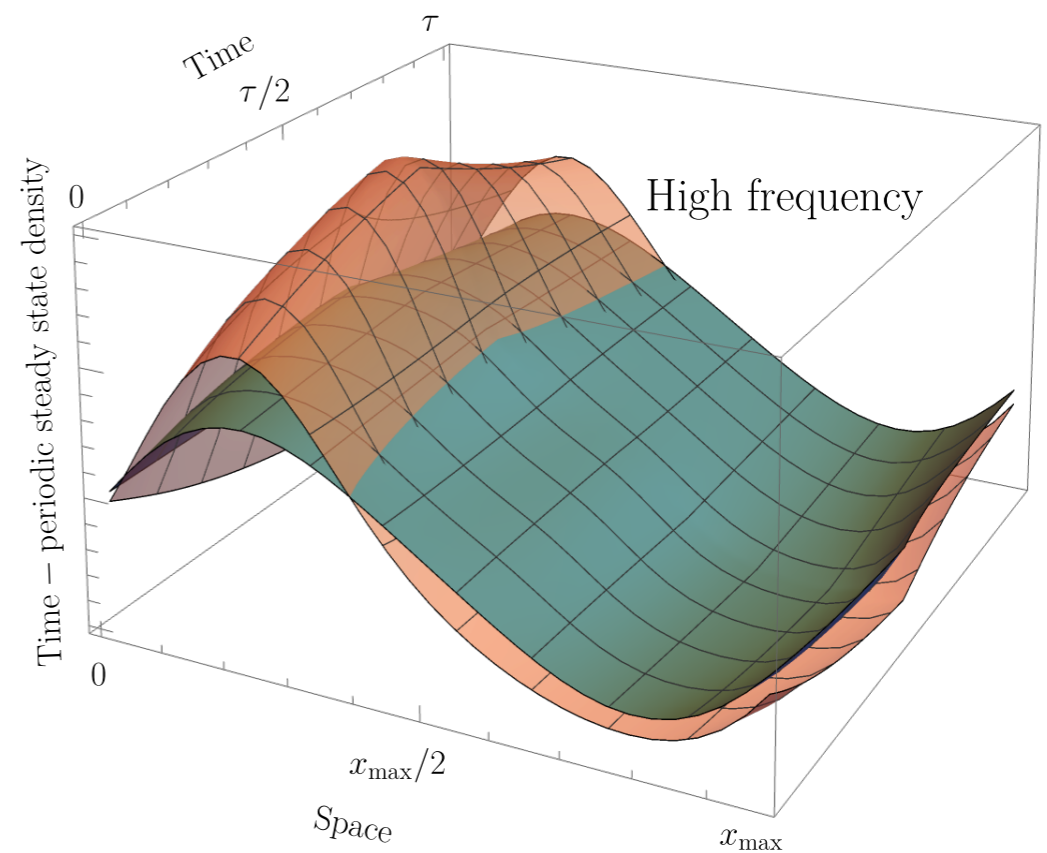
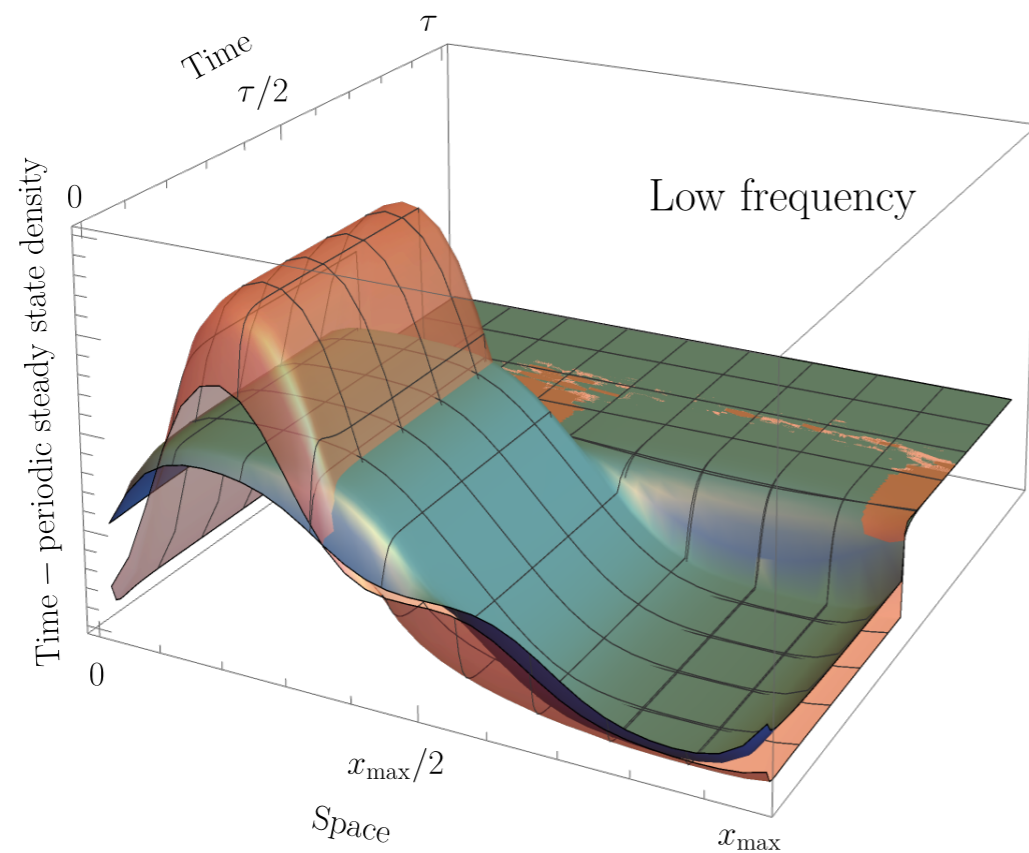




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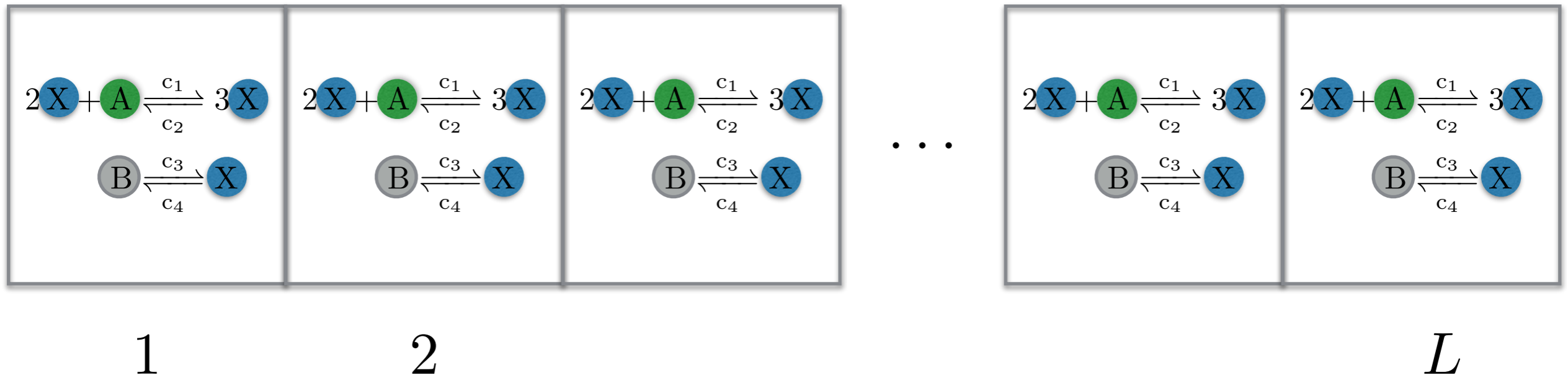
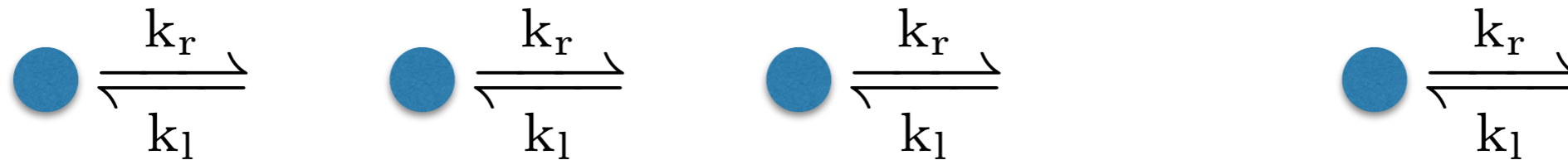


# TDVP can extract time-periodic steady states



# Act III: Putting It Together

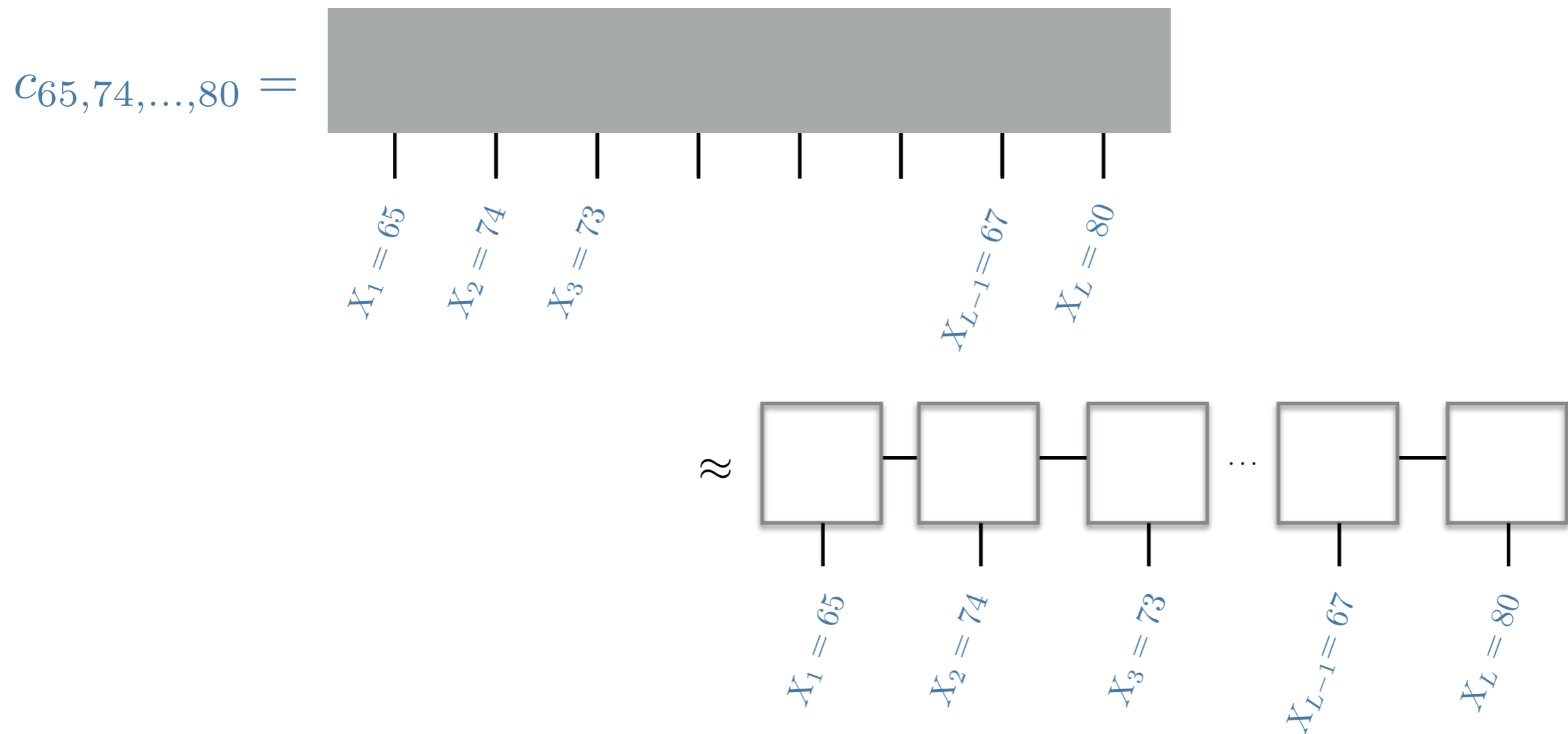
# Reaction Diffusion



# Matrix Product State (MPS)

## Ansatz

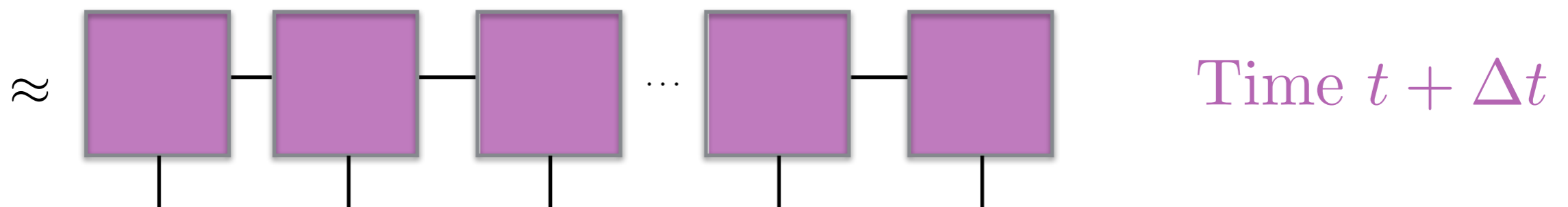
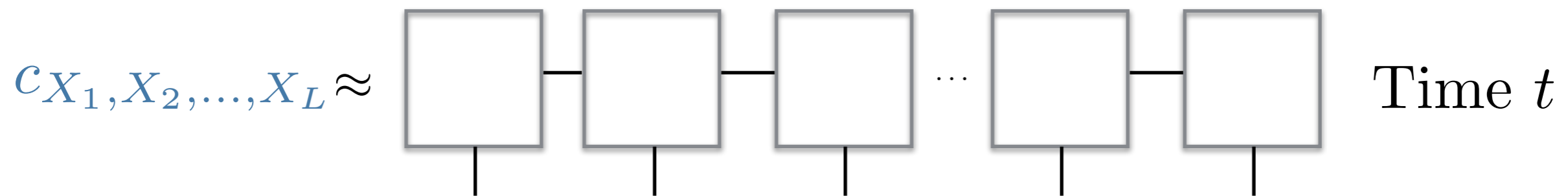
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# The spirit of the procedure...

$$|p(t)\rangle = e^{\mathbb{W}t} |p(0)\rangle$$



But how...?

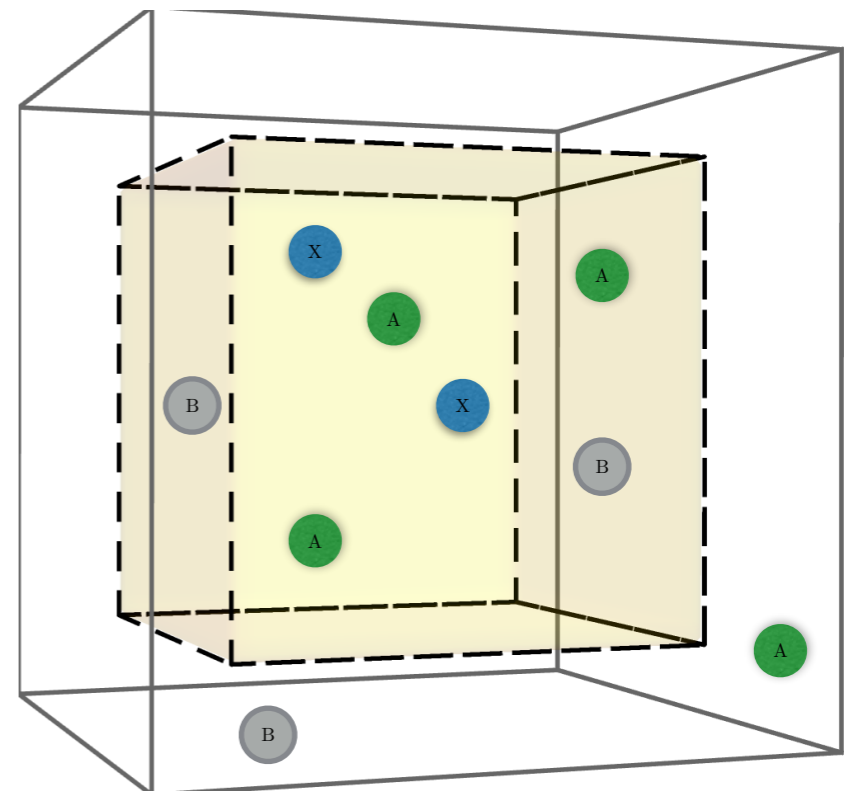
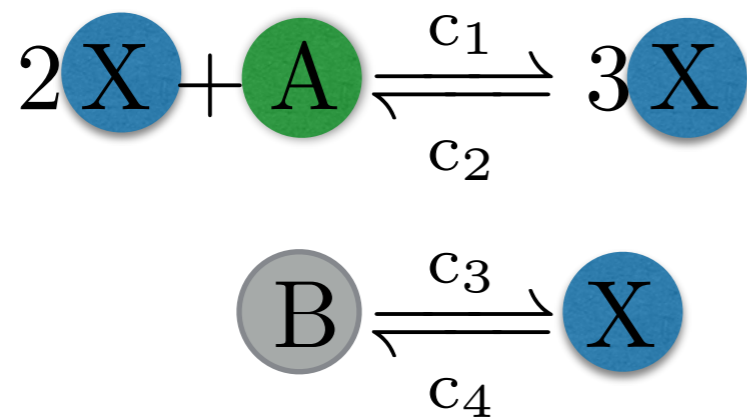
# Doi-Peliti

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$$x^\dagger{}^2 \left[ (c_1 x^\dagger + c_2 (\mathbb{I} - x^\dagger)) x \right] x^2$$

$$x^\dagger (c_3 - c_4) x + c_4$$

Schlögl

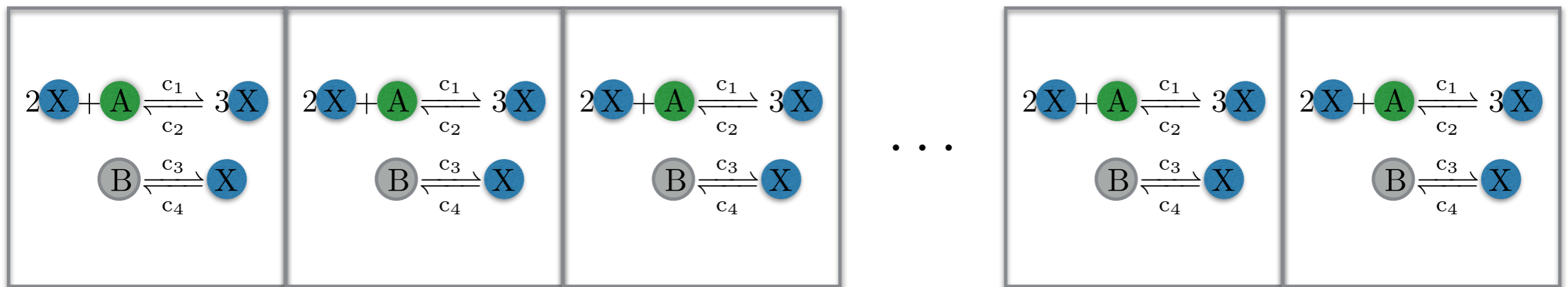
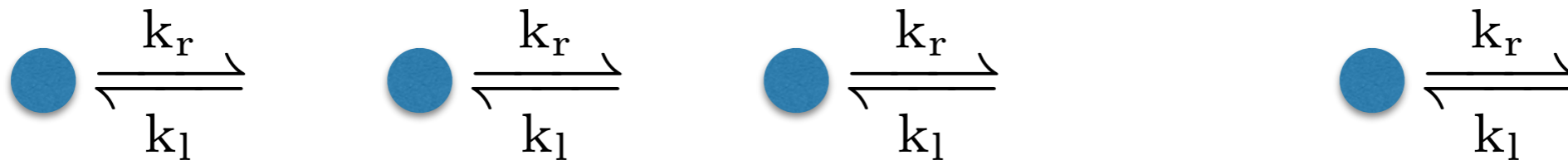


# Doi-Peliti

$$\mathbb{W} = \mathbb{W}_A + \mathbb{W}_B + \mathbb{W}_{\text{diff}}$$

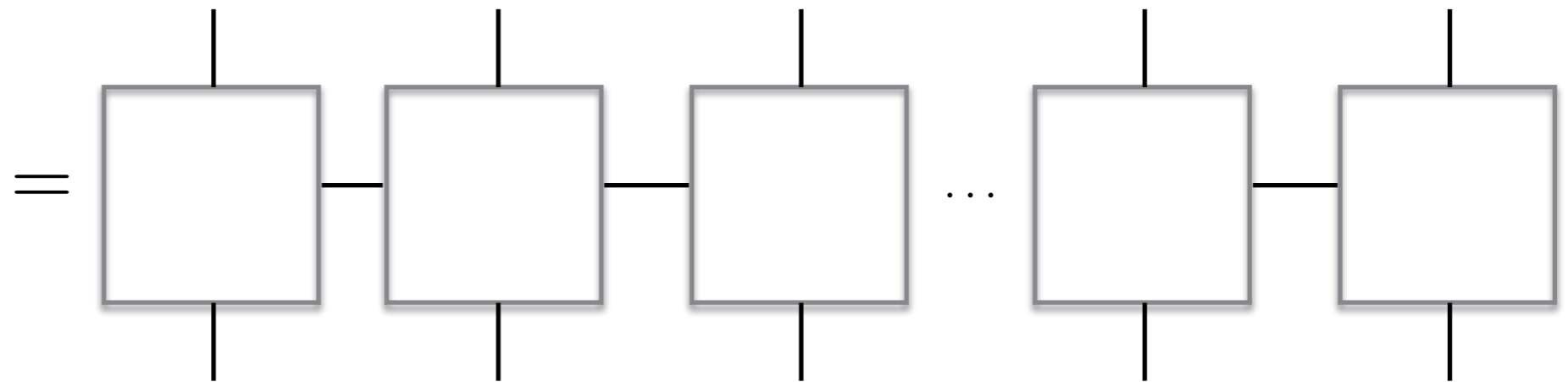
$$\sum_l x_l^\dagger \left[ \left( c_1 x_l^\dagger + c_2 \left( \mathbb{I} - x_l^\dagger \right) x_l \right) x_l^2 \right] + x_l^\dagger (c_3 - c_4) x_l + c_4$$

$$+ \sum_l k \left[ \left( x_{l+1}^\dagger - x_l^\dagger \right) \left( x_l - x_{l+1} \right) \right]$$



# Locality of interactions...

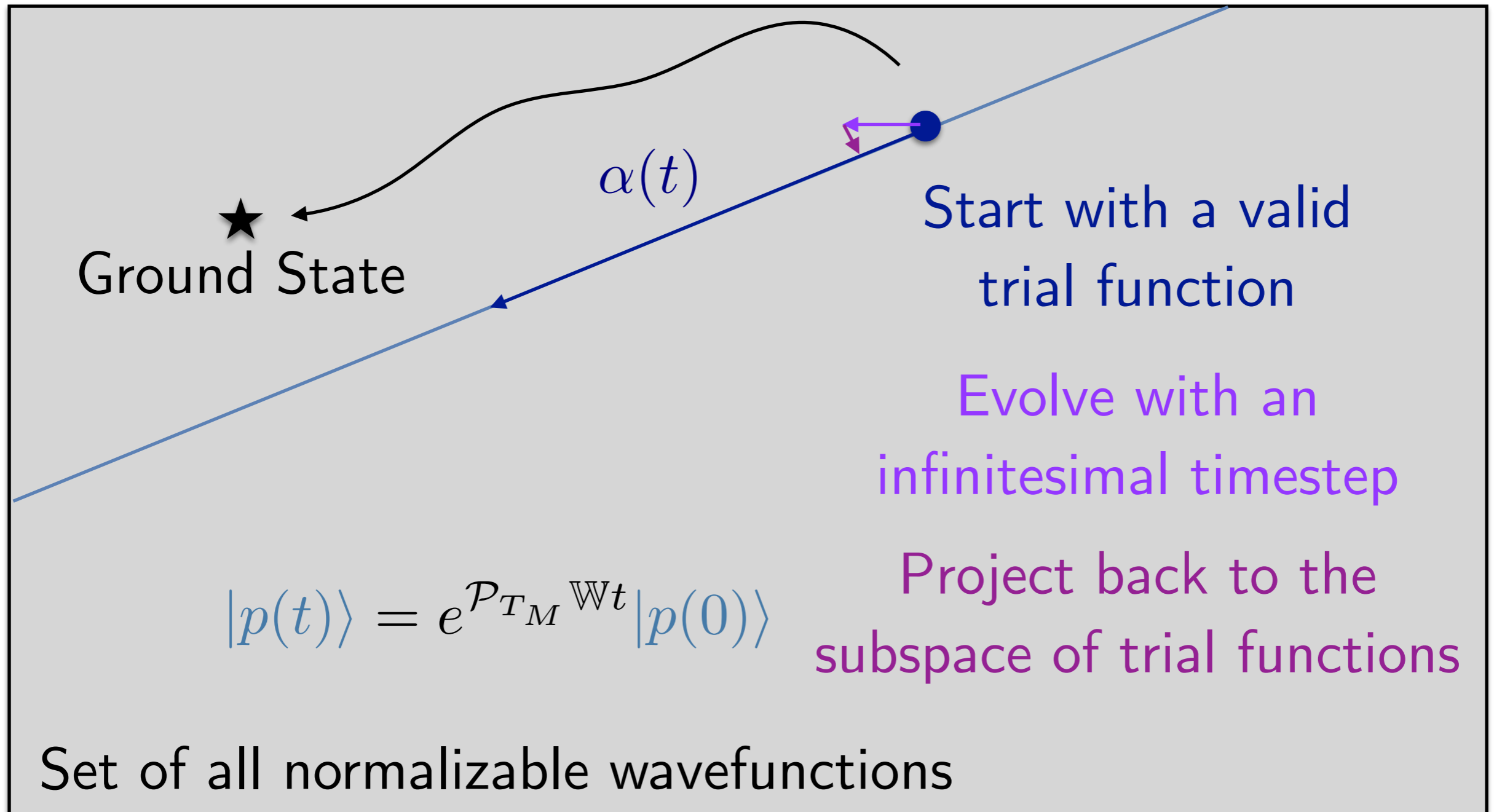
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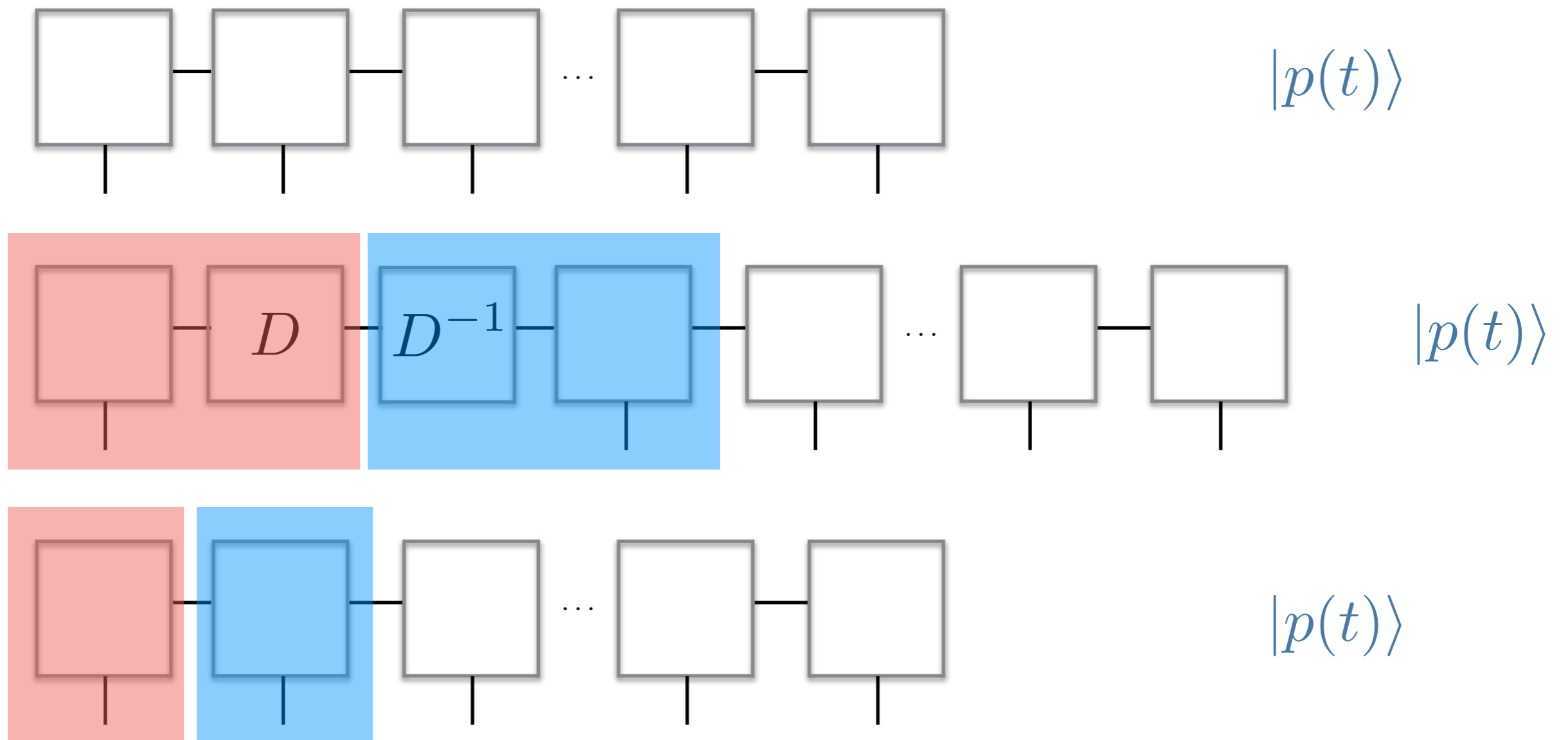
Matrix Product Operator (MPO)

$|p(t)\rangle = e^{\mathbb{W}t} |p(0)\rangle$  would leave the MPS manifold.

# A time-dependent variational principle (TDVP)



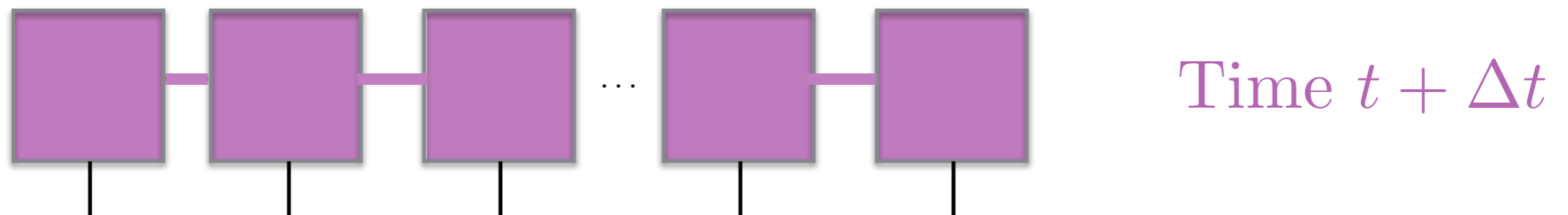
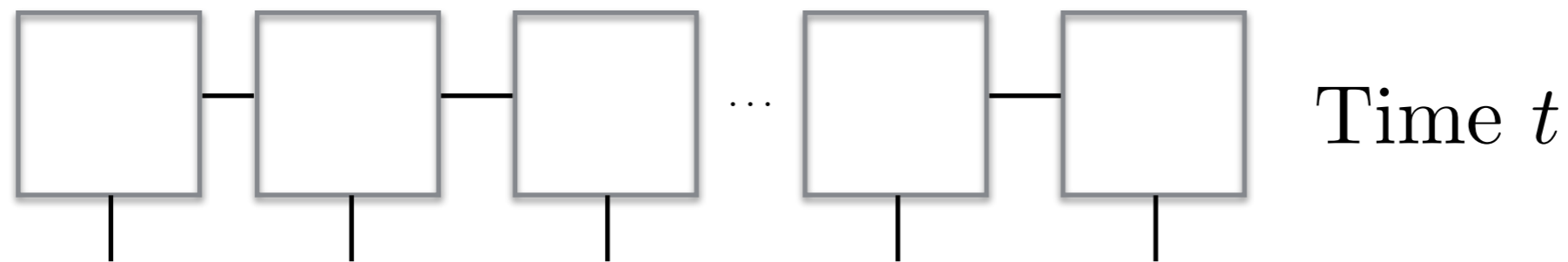
The algorithm furthermore leverages gauge freedoms in very clever ways





# Single-site MPS TDVP

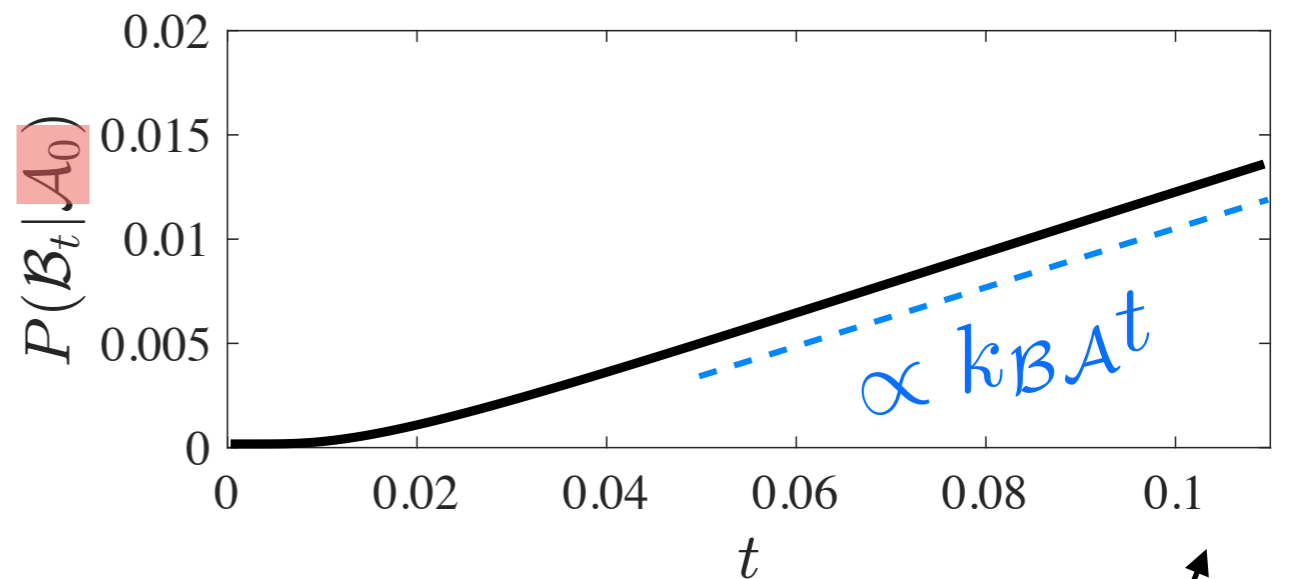
$$|p(t)\rangle = e^{\mathcal{P}_{TM} \mathbb{W}t} |p(0)\rangle$$



Haegeman et al. PRL (2011); Paeckel et al. Annals of Physics (2019);  
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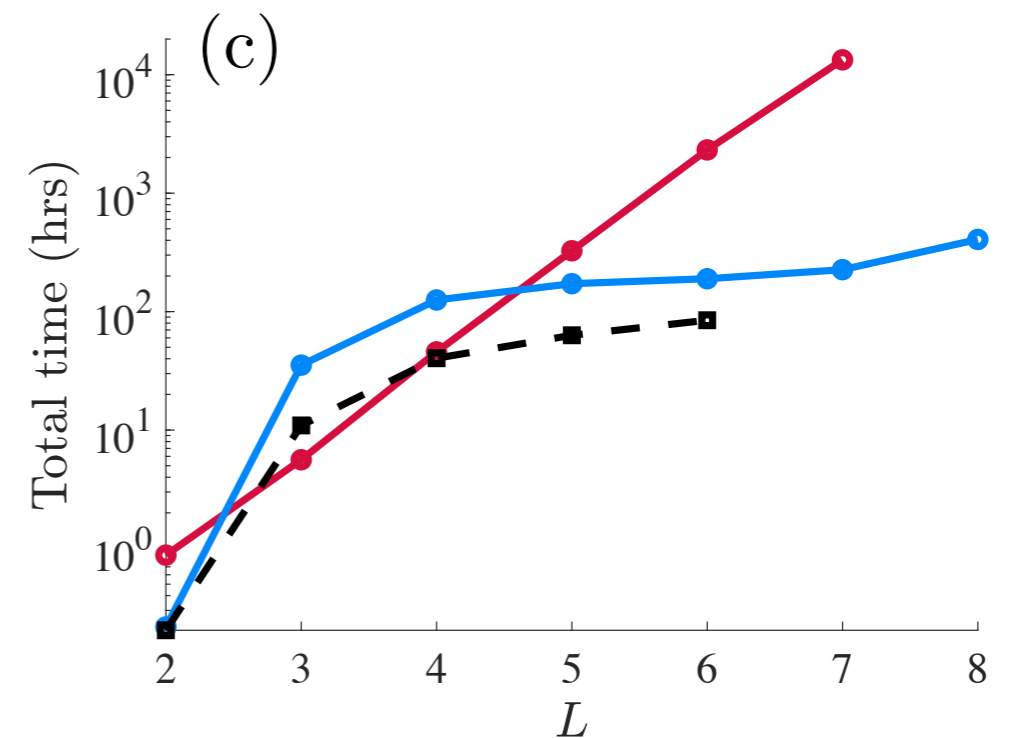
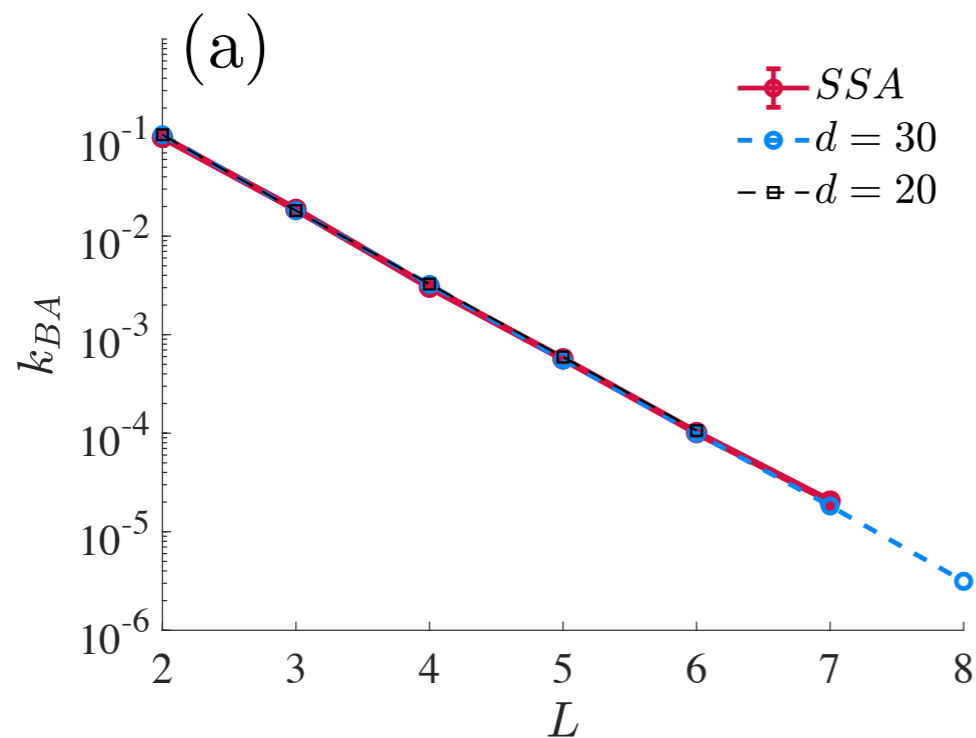
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$$t \ll \frac{1}{k}$$

# Can it work? Can it be useful?







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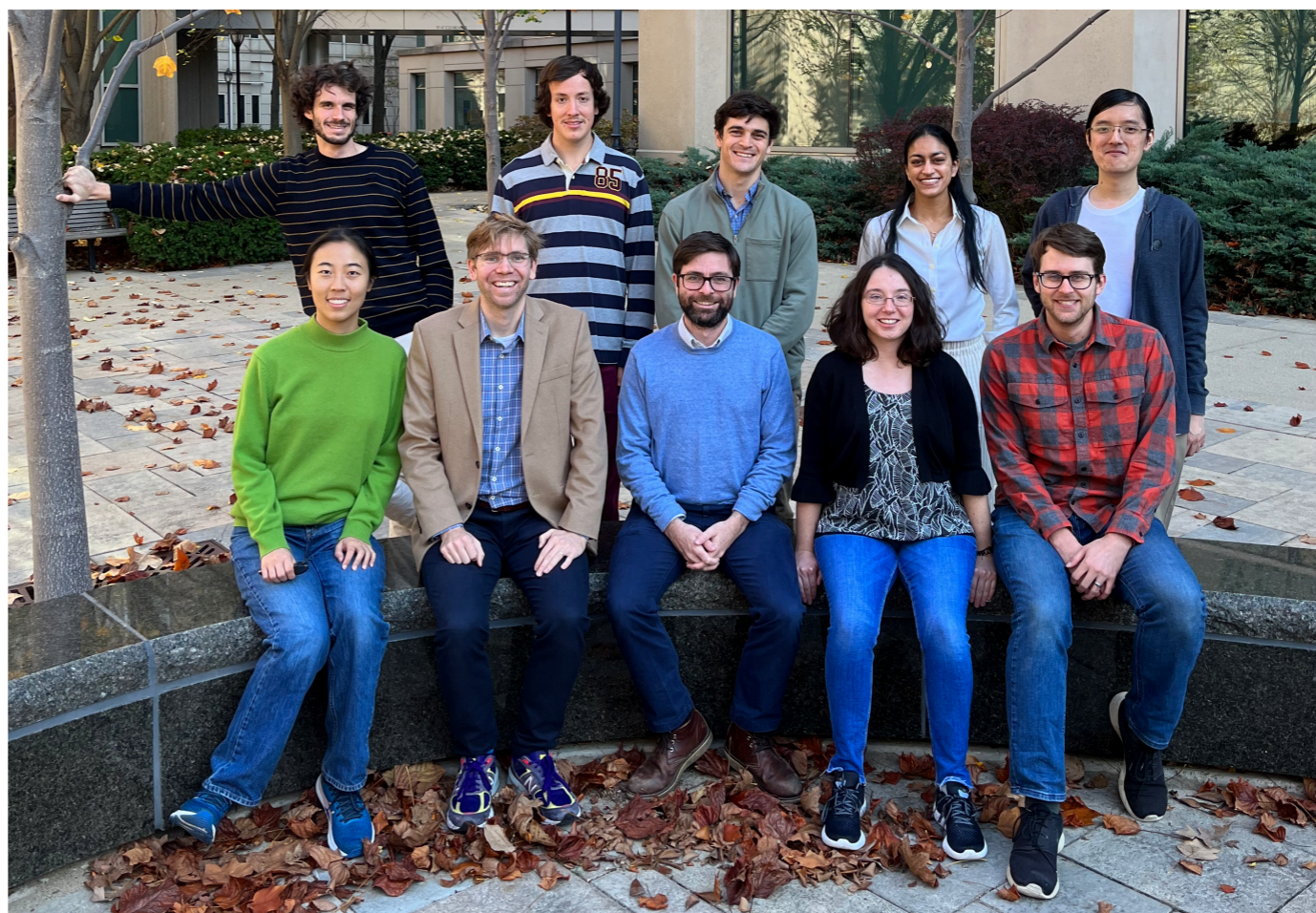
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