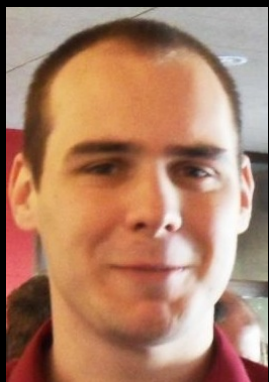


# Tensor network states for gauge theories

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# Motivation

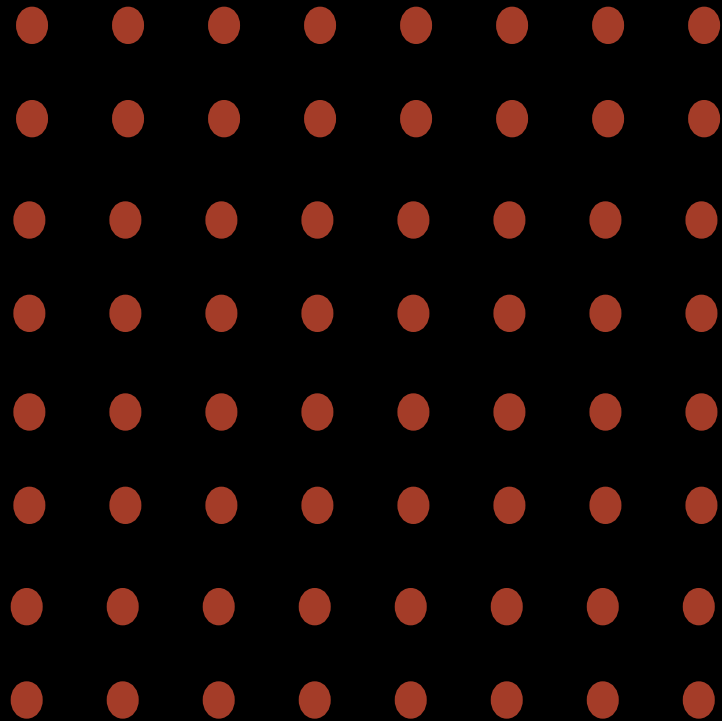
- **Hamiltonian** simulations, working with wave-functions, **real-time physics**
- **No sign problem**, finite fermionic chemical potential
- Understand **gauge theories** in the tensor network language i.e. **in terms of their entanglement structure**

## Related work:

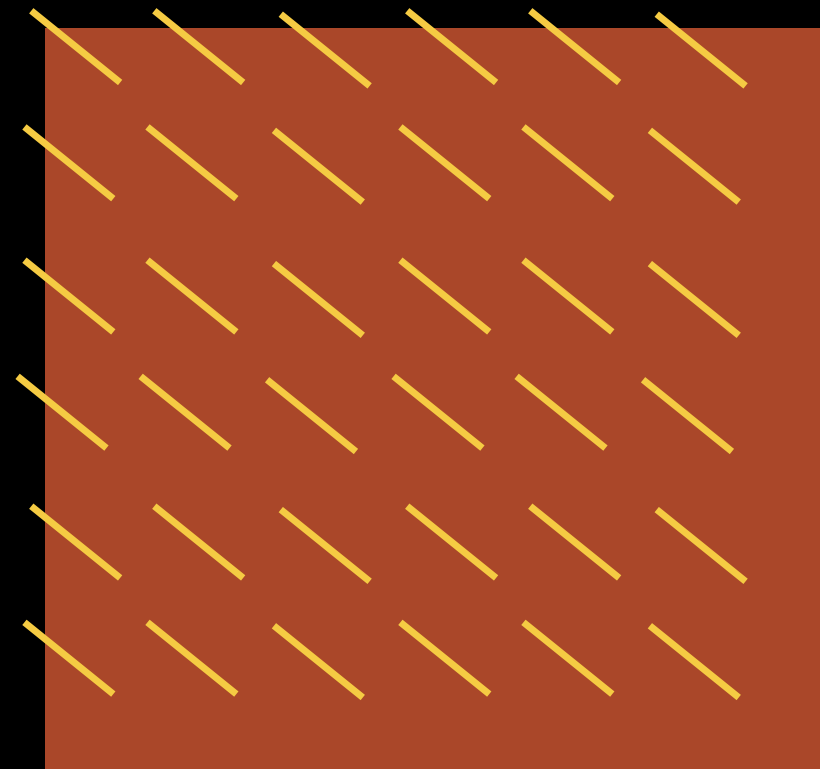
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# Tensor network states

## taming the humongous Hilbert space



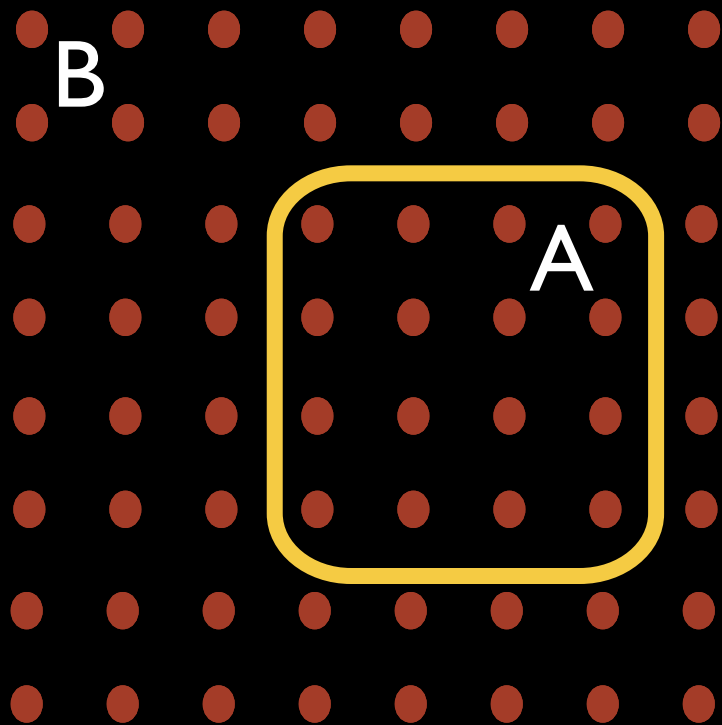
(spins, fermions, bosons,  
QFT)



$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N} c_{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N} |s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N\rangle$$

dimension:  $p^N$

# The tiny corner of Hilbert space

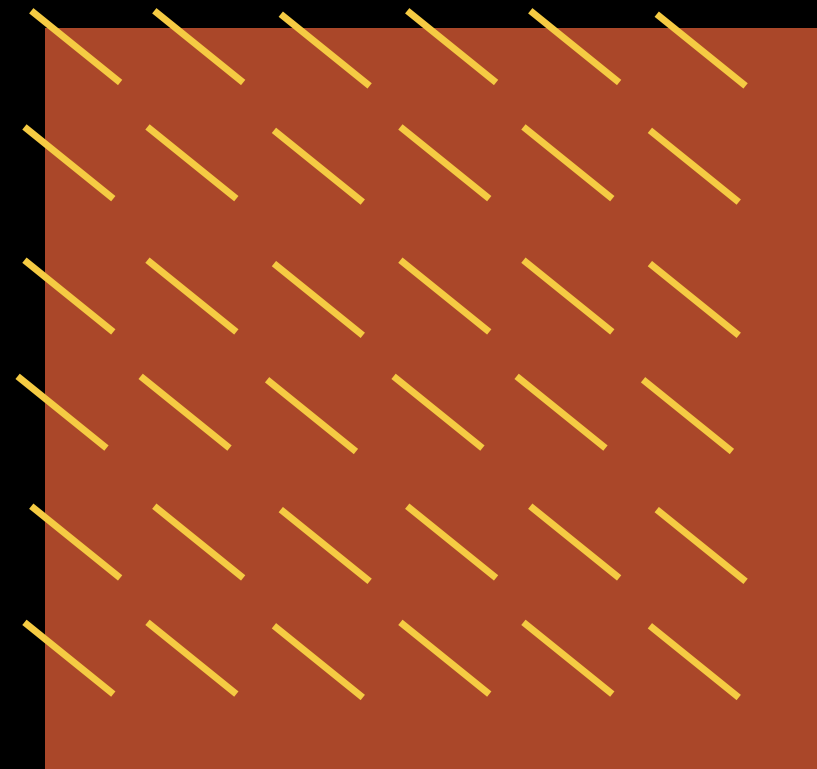


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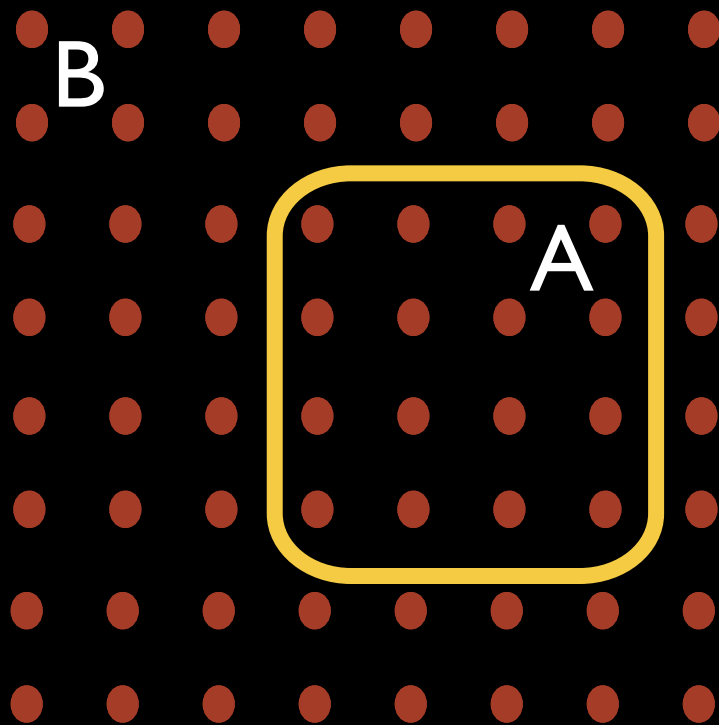
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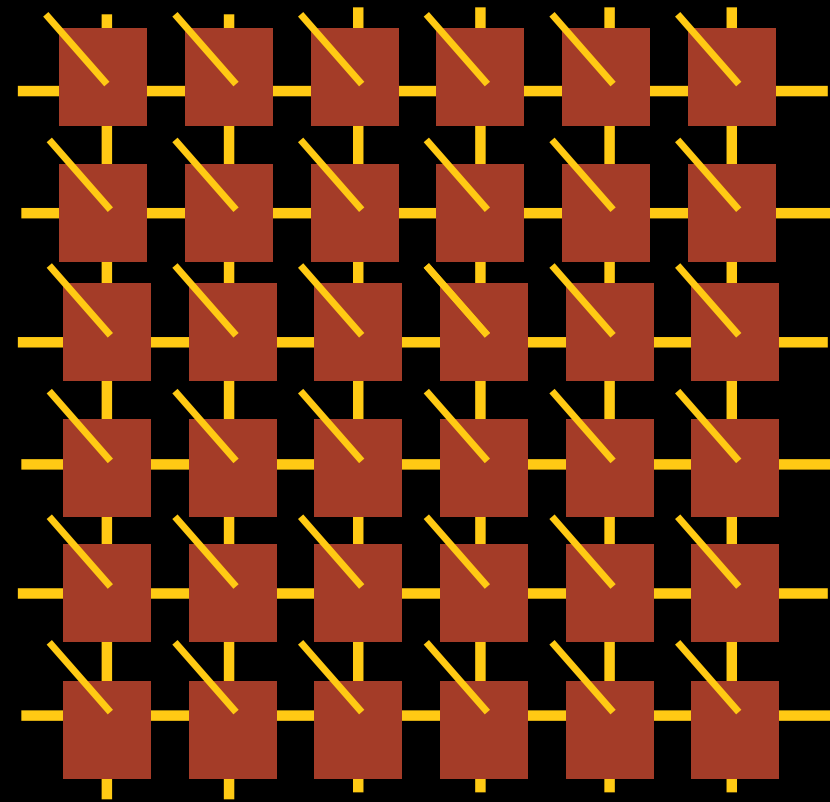


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tensor network:

$$\text{[red square with diagonal line]} = A_{\alpha_L \alpha_R \alpha_U \alpha_D}^s$$

$$S_A \leq \log D \partial A$$

## two reviews

(with the proper references)

J.I. Cirac and F.Verstraete: J. Phys.A: Math.Theor. 42, 504004 (2009), arXiv:0910.1130

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# $d=1+1$ QED a.k.a. the Schwinger model

(**B. Buyens**, J. Haegeman, K.V.A., H. Verschelde, F. Verstraete, arXiv: 1312.6654)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}i\gamma^\mu(\partial_\mu - ieA_\mu)\psi + m\bar{\psi}\psi$$

- Can be solved exactly for  $g \rightarrow \infty$  (Schwinger '62, Coleman '76)
- Non-trivial physics, similar to QCD: e.g. confinement



Kogut-Susskind ( $A_0 = 0$  + staggered fermions) + Jordan-Wigner:

$$H = \frac{g}{2\sqrt{x}} \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} L(n)^2 + \frac{\mu}{2} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^n (\sigma_z(n) + (-1)^n) \right. \\ \left. + x \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (\sigma^+(n) e^{i\theta(n)} \sigma^-(n+1) + h.c.) \right).$$



**fermions:**  $\sigma_z(n) |s_n\rangle = s_n |s_n\rangle \quad (s_n = \pm 1)$

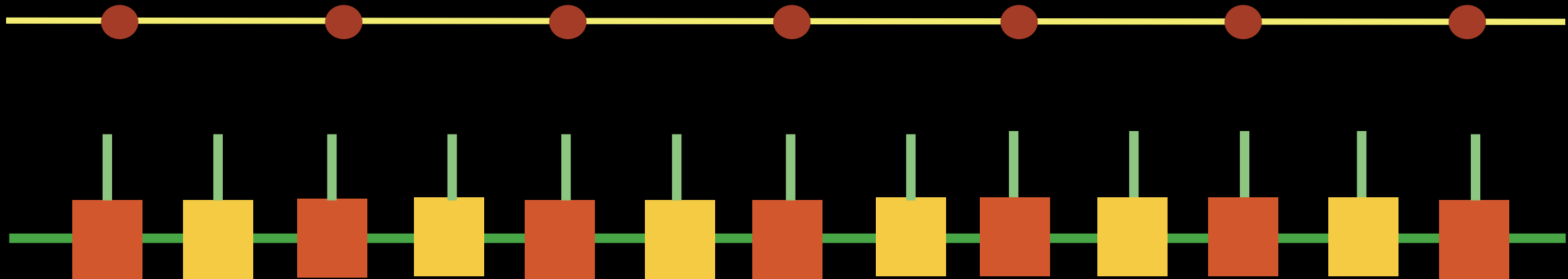
**gauge-fields:**  $L_n |p_n\rangle = p_n |p_n\rangle \quad p_n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad [\theta(n), L(m)] = i\delta_{nm}$

Extra ingredient: gauge invariance/Gauss law

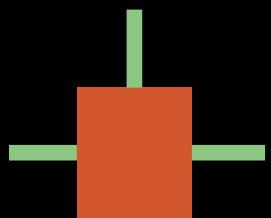
$$G_n |\Psi\rangle_{phys} = 0$$

$$G_n = L(n) - L(n-1) - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_z(n) + (-1)^n) \quad (\nabla \cdot E = \rho)$$

# gauge-invariant Matrix Product State



$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{s_n, p_n} (v_L^\dagger B_1^{s_1} C_1^{p_1} B_2^{s_2} C_2^{p_2} \dots C_{2N}^{p_{2N}} v_R) |s_1, p_1, s_2, p_2, \dots, p_{2N}\rangle$$

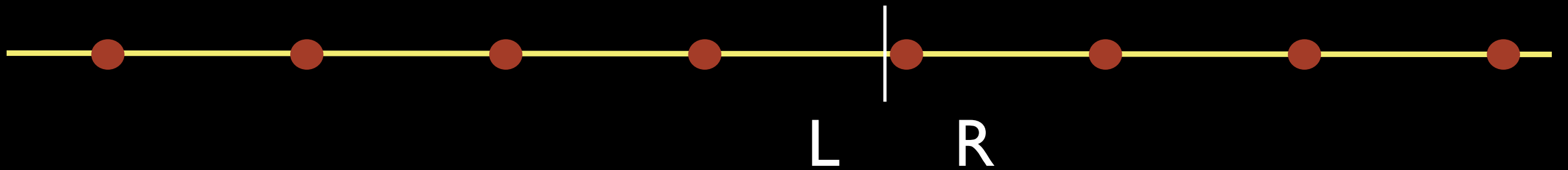


$$= [B_n^{s_n}]_{(q, \alpha_q), (r, \beta_r)} = [b_{n,q}^{s_n}]_{\alpha_q, \beta_r} \delta_{q + (s_n + (-1)^n)/2, r}$$



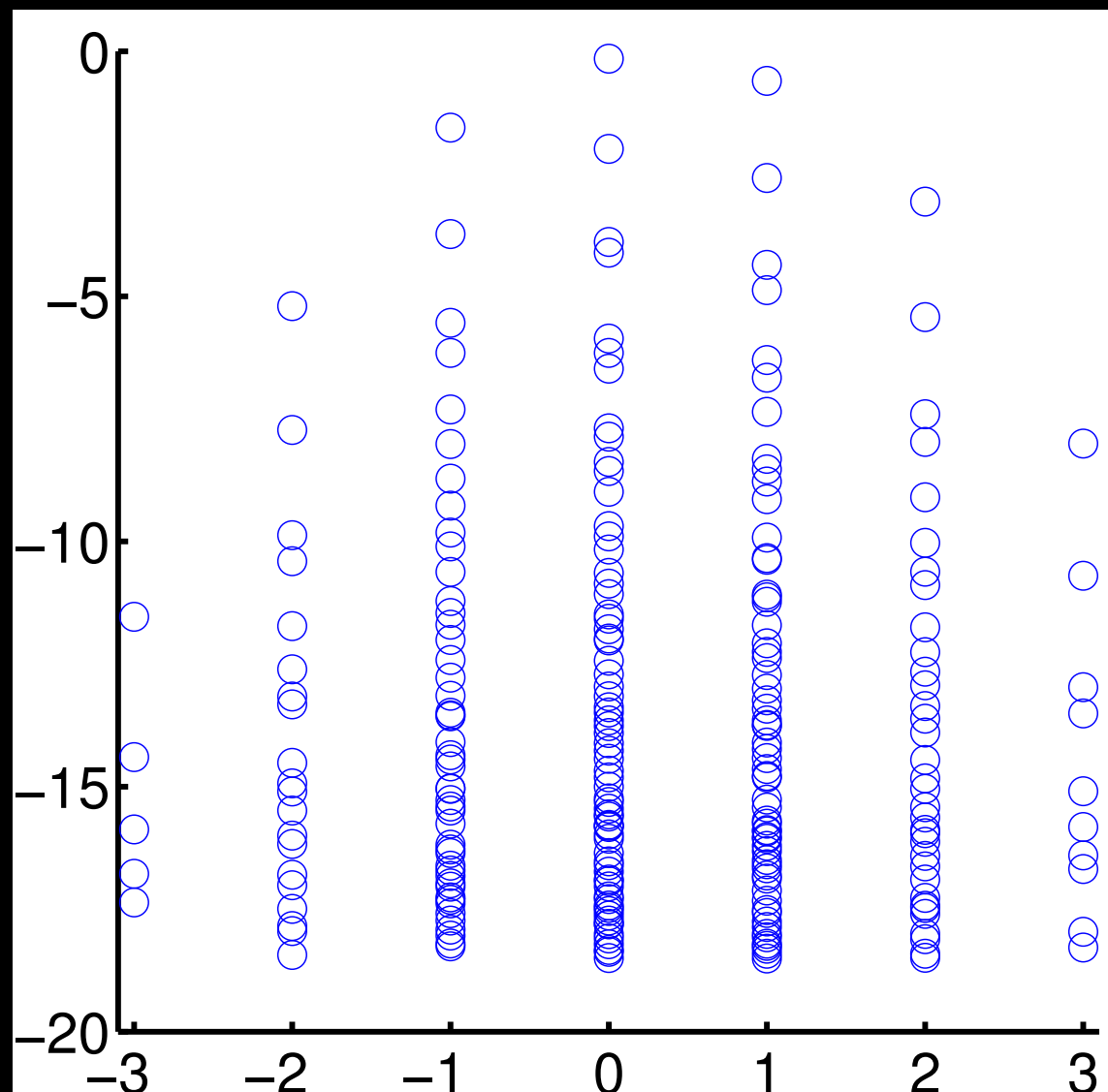
$$= [C_n^{p_n}]_{(q, \alpha_q), (r, \beta_r)} = [c_n^{p_n}]_{\alpha_q, \beta_r} \delta_{q, p_n} \delta_{r, p_n}$$

# Effective truncation local Hilbert space



Schmidt-decomposition:  $|\Psi\rangle = \sum_i \sqrt{\lambda_i} |\Psi_i\rangle_L |\Psi_i\rangle_R$

$\log \lambda_i$



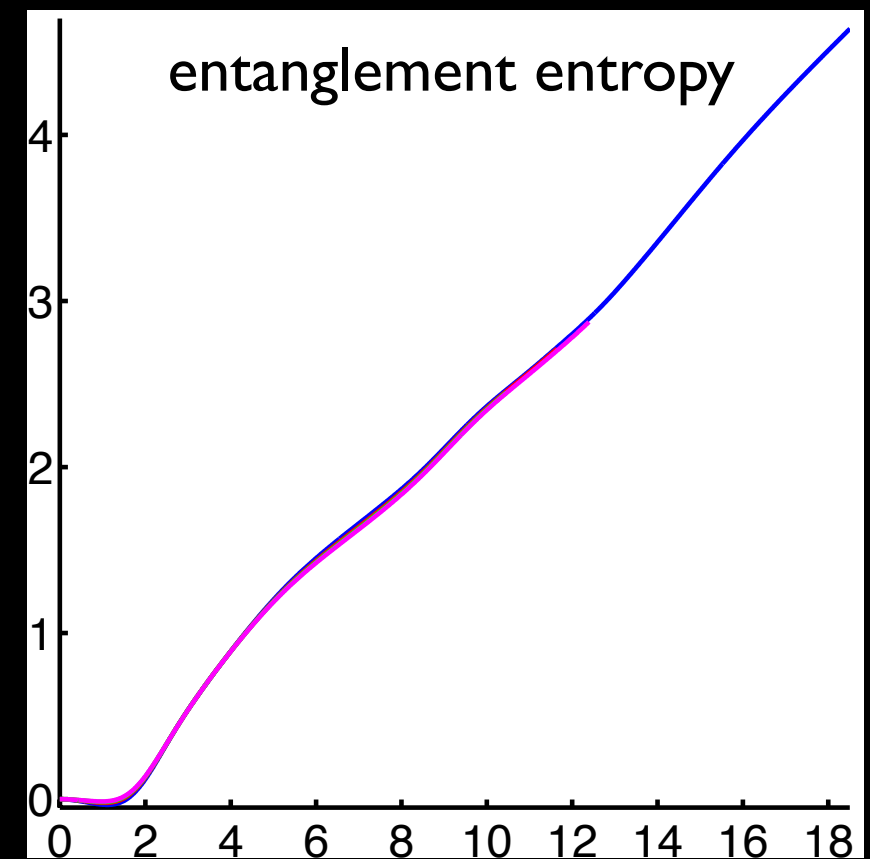
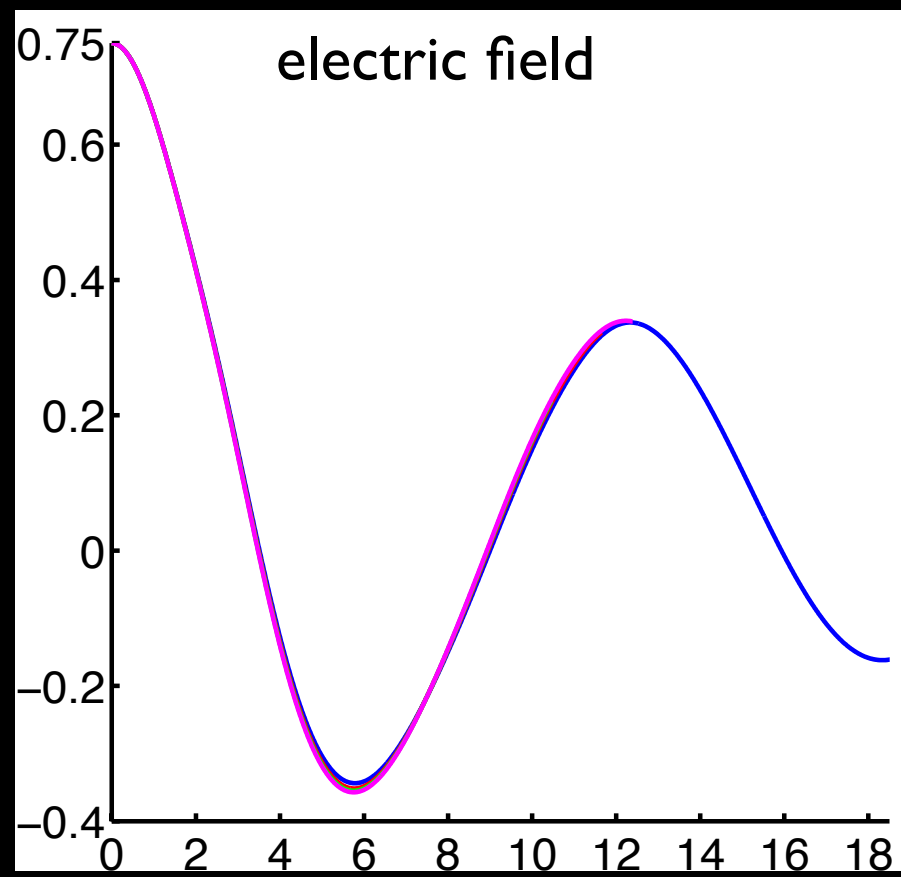
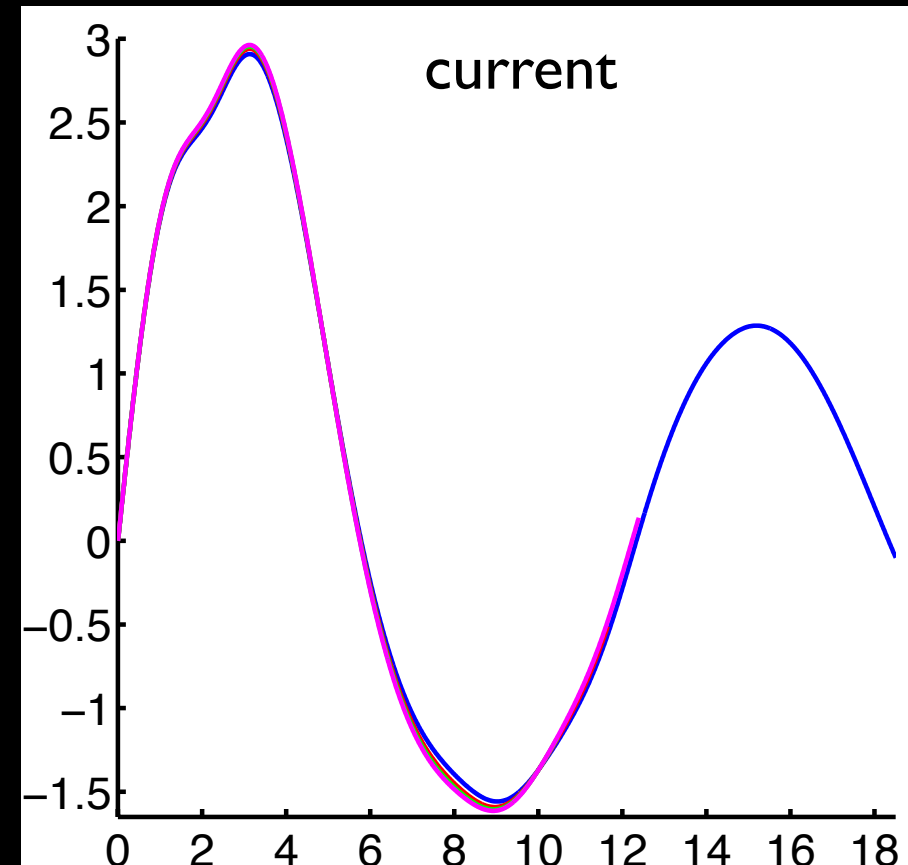
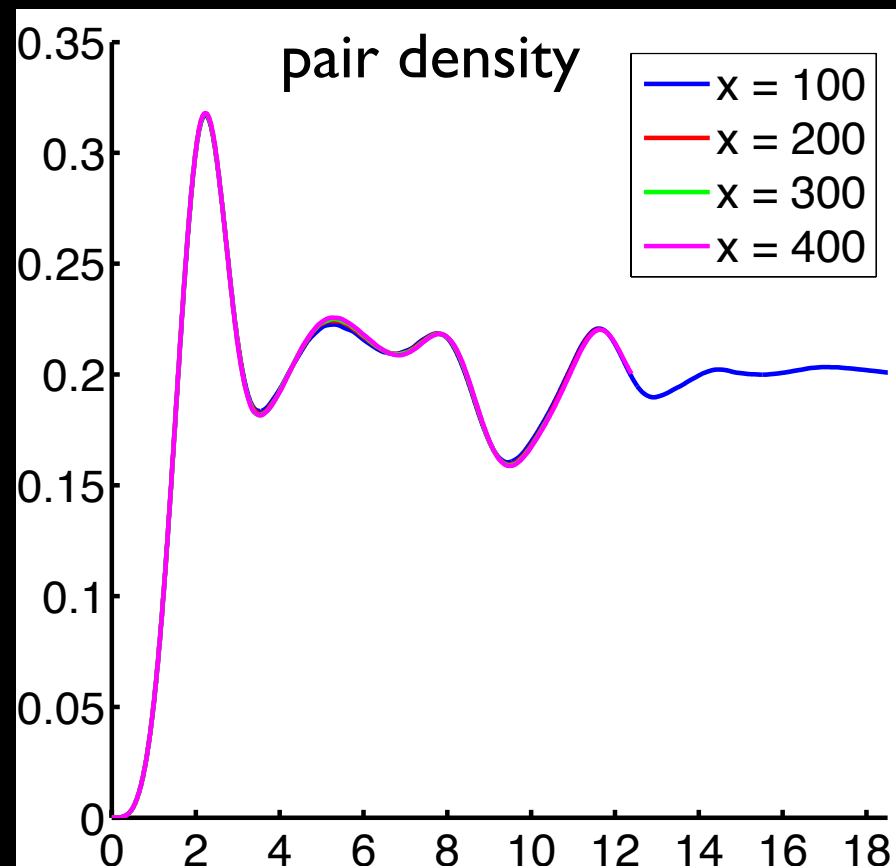
$D = (5, 20, 48, 70, 62, 34, 10)$

charge sector

# Groundstate energy+excitations

$m/g$	$\omega_0$	$M_{v,1}$	$M_{s,1}$	$M_{v,2}$
0	-0.318320(4)	0.56418(2)		
0.125	-0.318319(4)	0.789491(8)	1.472(4)	2.10 (2)
0.25	-0.318316(3)	1.01917 (2)	1.7282(4)	2.339(3)
0.5	-0.318305(2)	1.487473(7)	2.2004 (1)	2.778 (2)
0.75	-0.318285(9)	1.96347(3)	2.658943(6)	3.2043(2)
1	-0.31826(2)	2.44441(1)	3.1182 (1)	3.640(4)

# Real-time simulation Schwinger mechanism (new results)



# Going to higher dimensions, $d=2+l$

## Some facts:

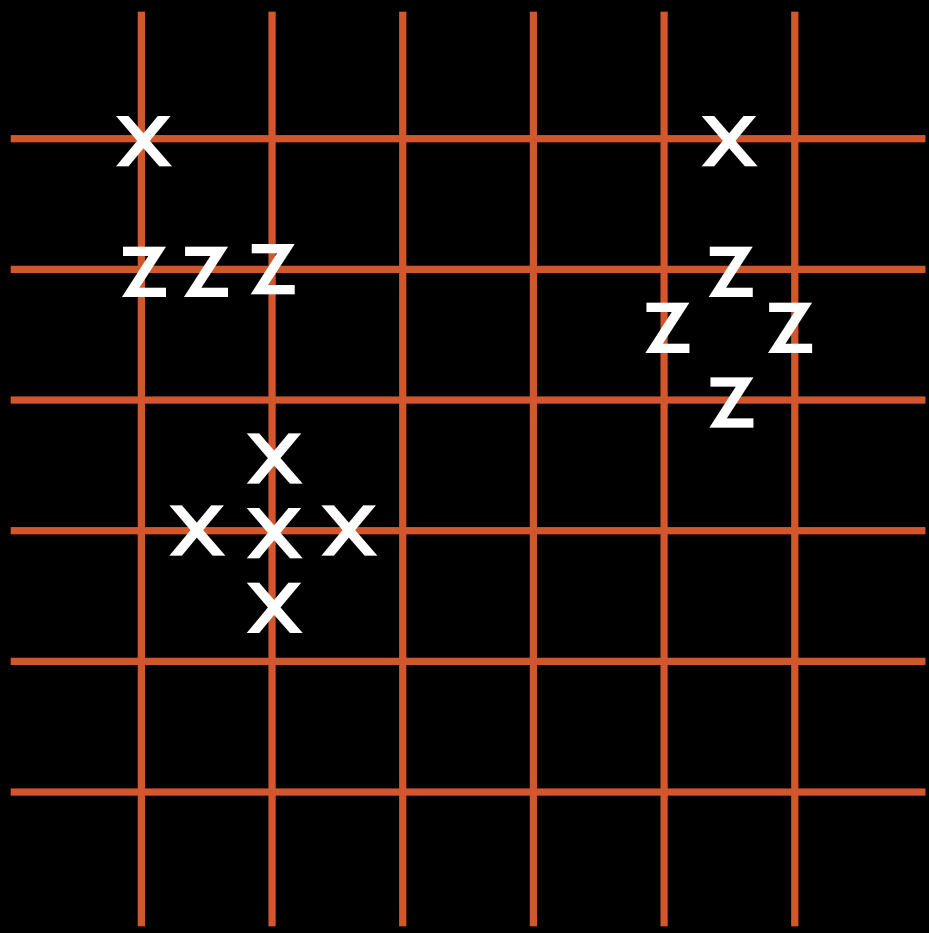
1. The exact contraction of a 2dim.-tensor network (PEPS) is an exponentially hard problem. (equivalent to solving for the groundstate of a  $d=l+l$  system)
2. But one can approximate this contraction, best algorithm so far has number of steps  $\mathcal{O}(\chi^3 D^4 + p\chi^2 D^6)$ . Therefore at present, we can only perform PEPS simulations with relatively low bond dimension.
3. A PEPS is a groundstate of some local parent Hamiltonian (unique groundstate if the PEPS is *injective*)

So already from the study of low bond-dimension PEPS, one can probe the phase space of certain local parent Hamiltonians. IR universality?

# Probing phase diagram of gauge theories with parent Hamiltonians

J. Haegeman, K.V.A., N. Schuch, F.Verstraete (coming soon)

d=2+1 Z2 lattice gauge theory:

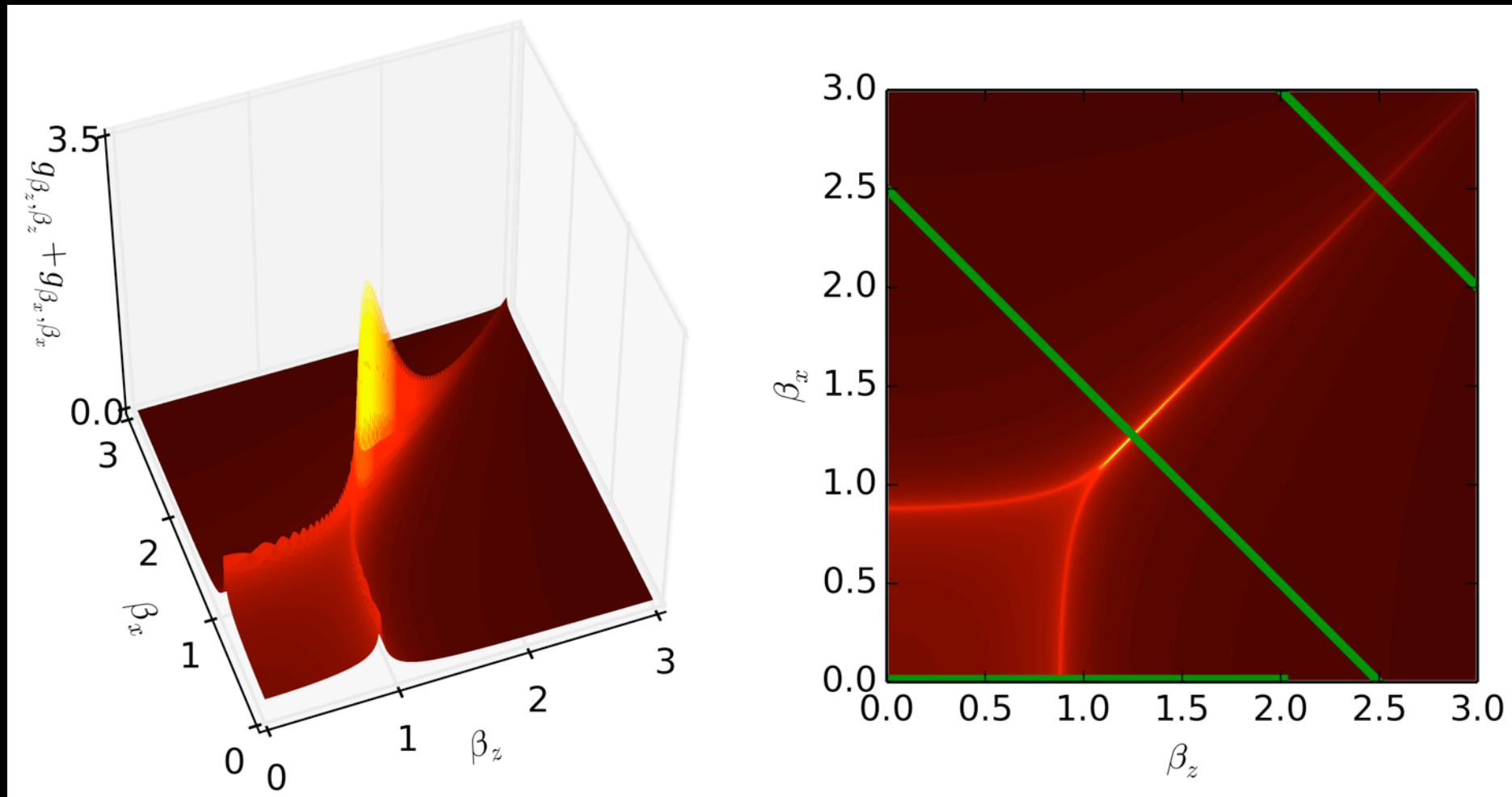


$$H = -\sigma_x - h_{\square} - \beta_x \tau_x - \beta_z \sigma_z \tau_z \sigma_z$$

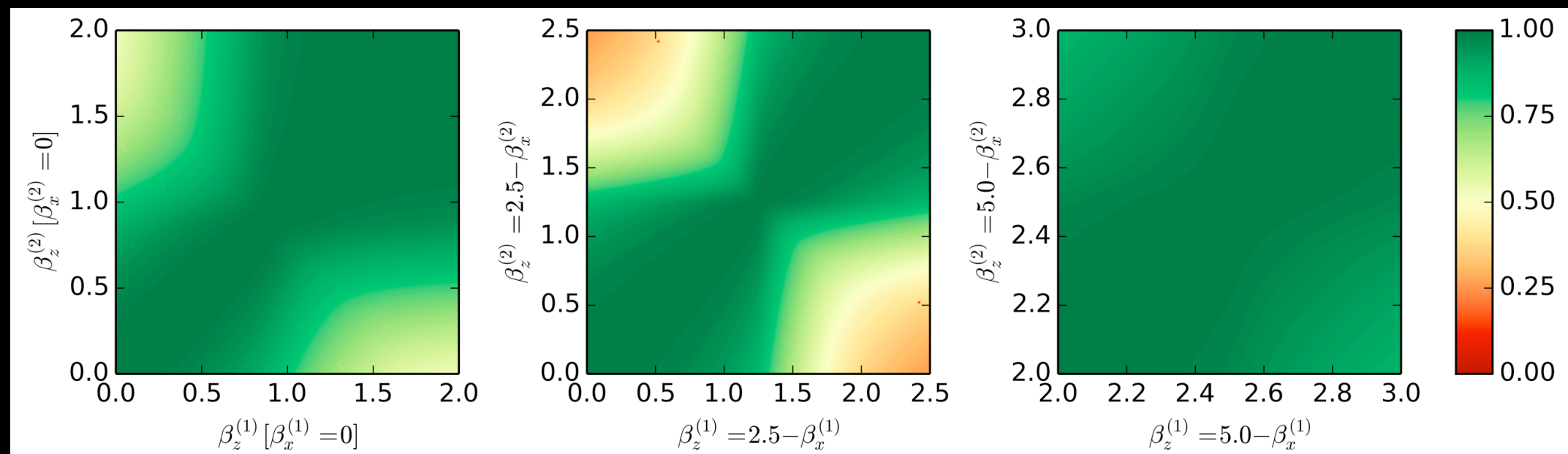
D=2 PEPS, with parent Hamiltonian:

$$H_p = e^{-\frac{\beta_x}{2} \tau_x - \frac{\beta_z}{2} \sigma_z \tau_z \sigma_z} (-\sigma_x - h_{\square}) e^{-\frac{\beta_x}{2} \tau_x - \frac{\beta_z}{2} \sigma_z \tau_z \sigma_z}$$

# Phase-diagram parent Hamiltonian:



$$ds^2 = \langle \delta\psi | \delta\psi \rangle - \langle \delta\psi | \psi \rangle \langle \psi | \delta\psi \rangle$$





# Conclusions/Outlook

For  $d=1+1$  TNS formalism can simulate gauge theories with **high precision**. Specifically in those regimes (real-time, non-zero chemical potential) that are difficult/impossible for lattice Monte-Carlo. (also works for thermal states, see talk by H. Saito)

For **higher dimensions** we need better algorithms!

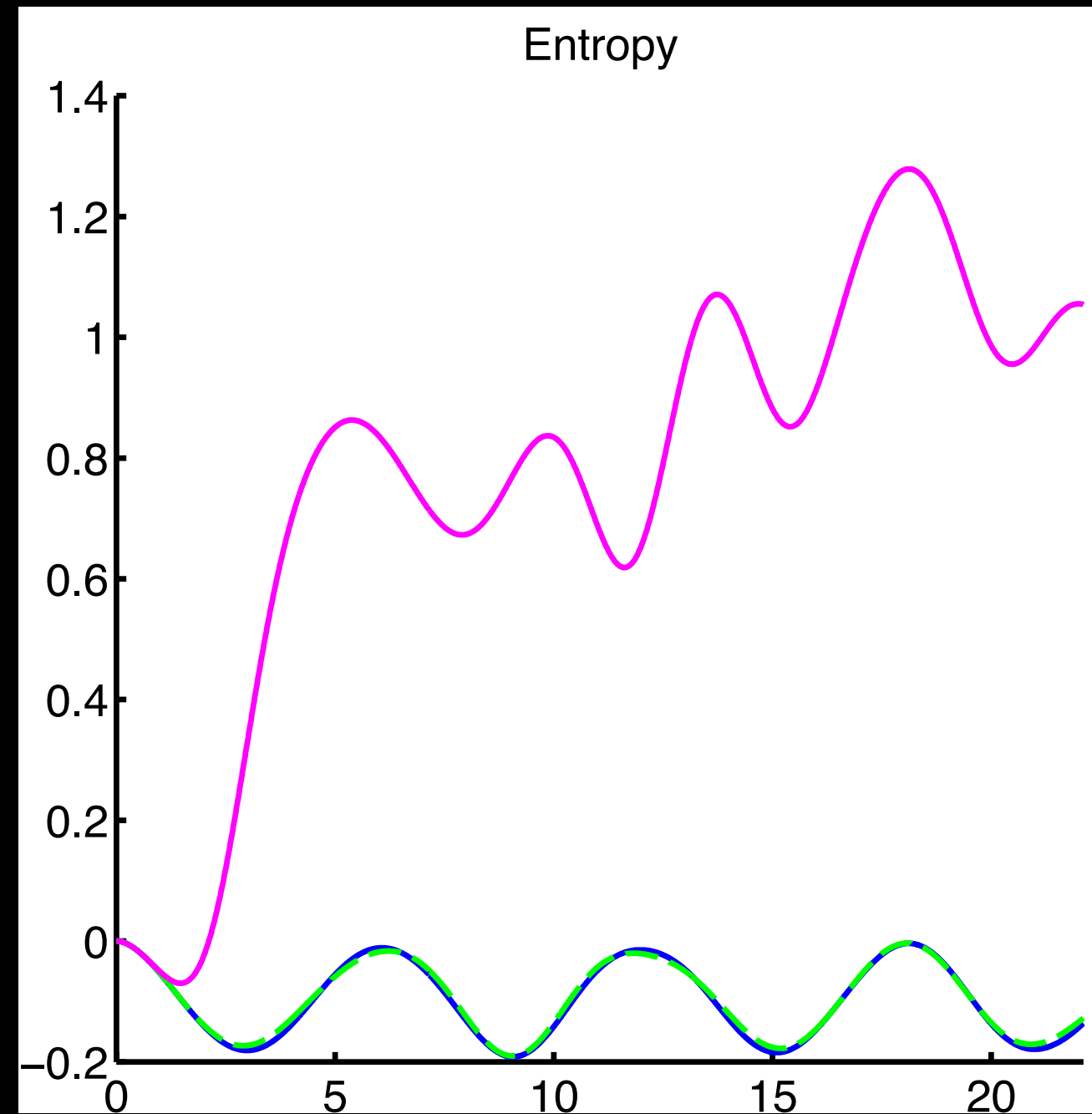
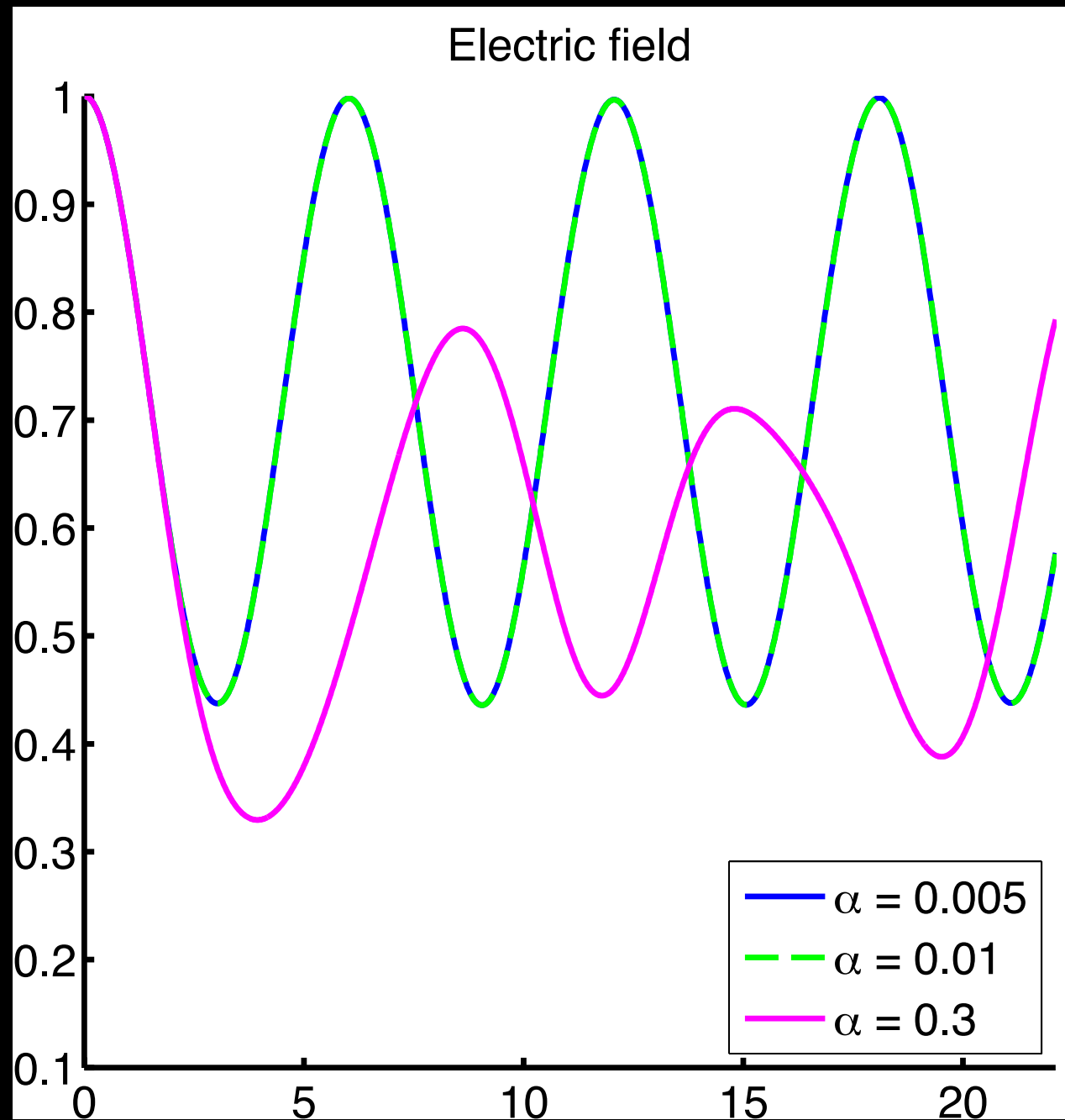
Still one can make already progress, by studying PEPS **parent model Hamiltonians**.

It should be possible to include fermions in this approach and study gauge theory phases at **non-zero chemical potential, for  $d=2+1$ ,  $d=3+1$**

Lots of things to do!!

Extra slides

Other values of the electric field background, linear response +beyond linear response, but no sign of thermalization



# Exponential growth bond-dimension during linear growth entropy (orange line):

