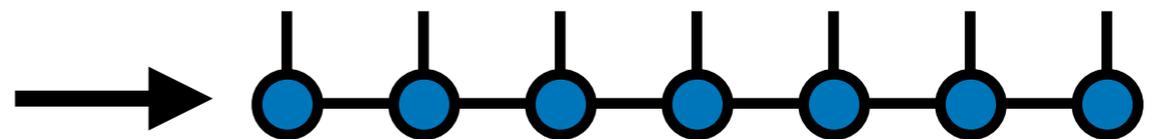
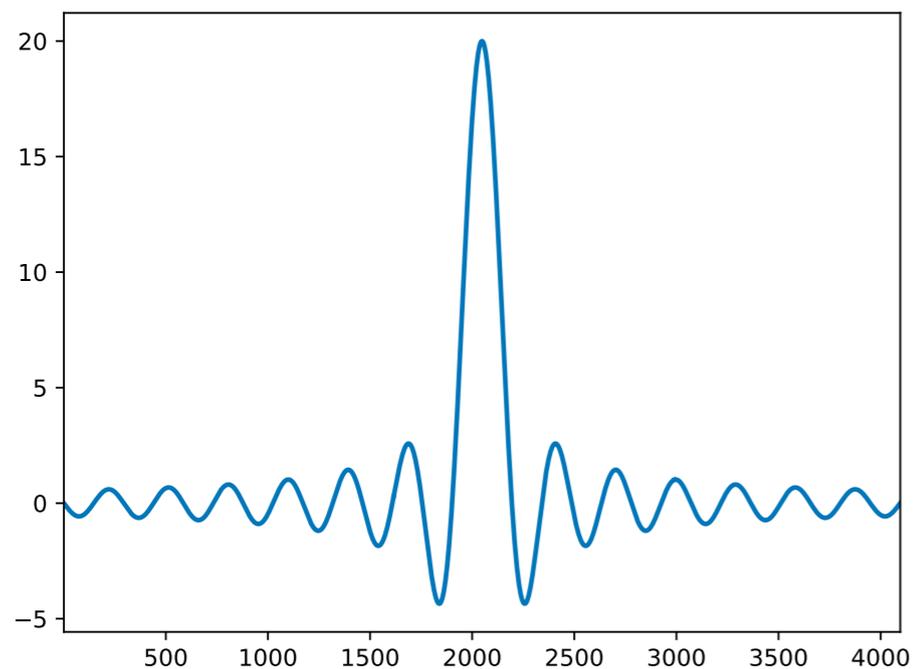


# Compressing Functions with Tensor Networks: Applications to PDEs and DFTs



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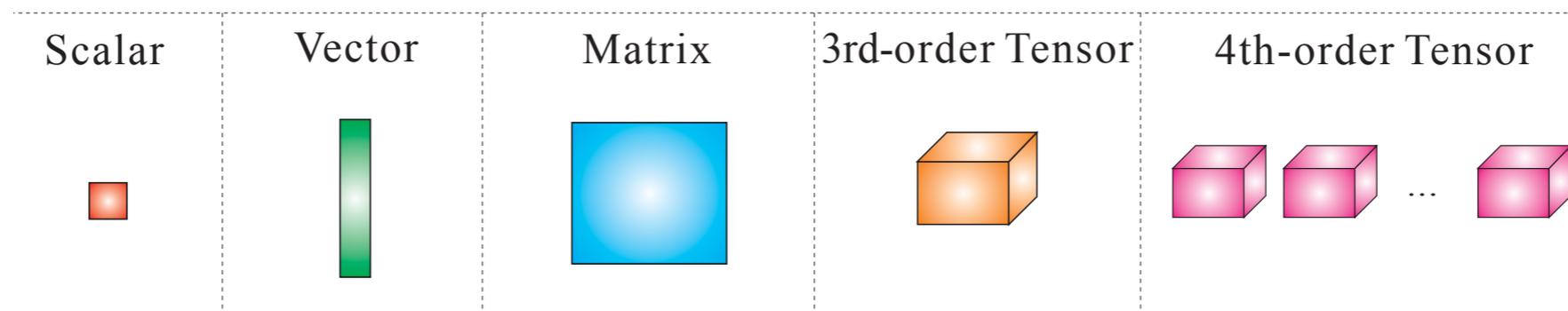
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Tensors are *multi-dimensional arrays or linear maps*

Generalization of vector or matrix



Tensors naturally occur in:

- high-dimensional problems
- continuum problems

For high-order tensors, one encounters  
*curse of dimensionality*

$$T_{n_1 n_2 n_3 n_4 n_5 n_6}$$

$10^6$  entries

$$n_j = 1, 2, \dots, 10$$

N-th order tensor is *exponential* in N

Tensor networks give a way to break the curse

$$T^{s_1 s_2 s_3 \cdots s_N} = \text{[Diagram of a long horizontal bar with vertical tick marks labeled } s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, \dots, s_N \text{]}$$



$$T^{s_1 s_2 s_3 \cdots s_N} = \text{[Diagram of a network of blue nodes connected by lines, with labels } s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, \dots, s_N \text{]}$$

Recall: tensor diagram notation

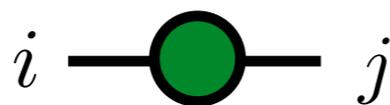
N-index tensor = shape with N lines

$$T^{s_1 s_2 s_3 \cdots s_N} = \text{Diagram of a rounded rectangle with } N \text{ vertical lines extending upwards, labeled } s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot, s_N.$$

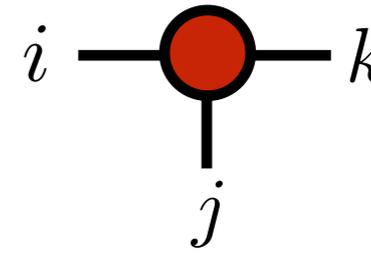
Low-order tensor examples:



$v_j$

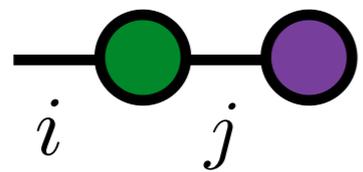


$M_{ij}$

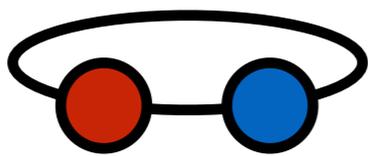


$T_{ijk}$

Joining lines implies contraction, can omit names



$$\sum_j M_{ij} v_j$$

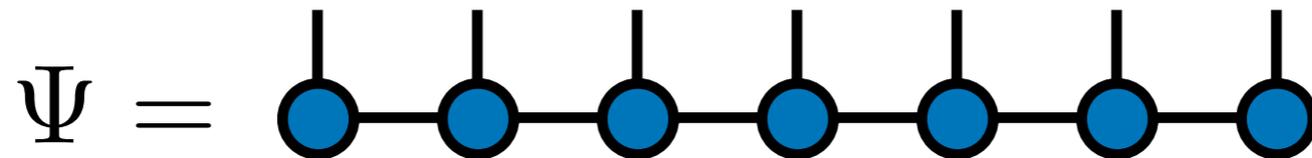


$$A_{ij} B_{ji} = \text{Tr}[AB]$$

Conventionally (since ~1992\*), tensor networks used to compress quantum wavefunctions  $\Psi$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\{\mathbf{x}\}, t) = H \Psi(\{\mathbf{x}\}, t)$$

*Schrödinger equation*

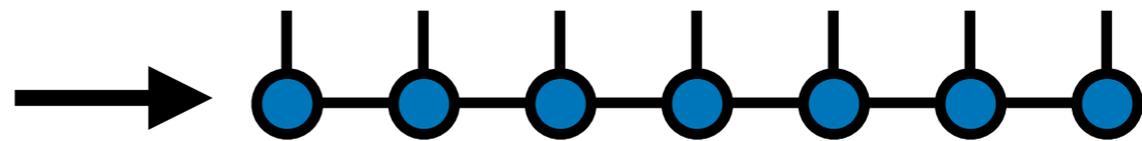
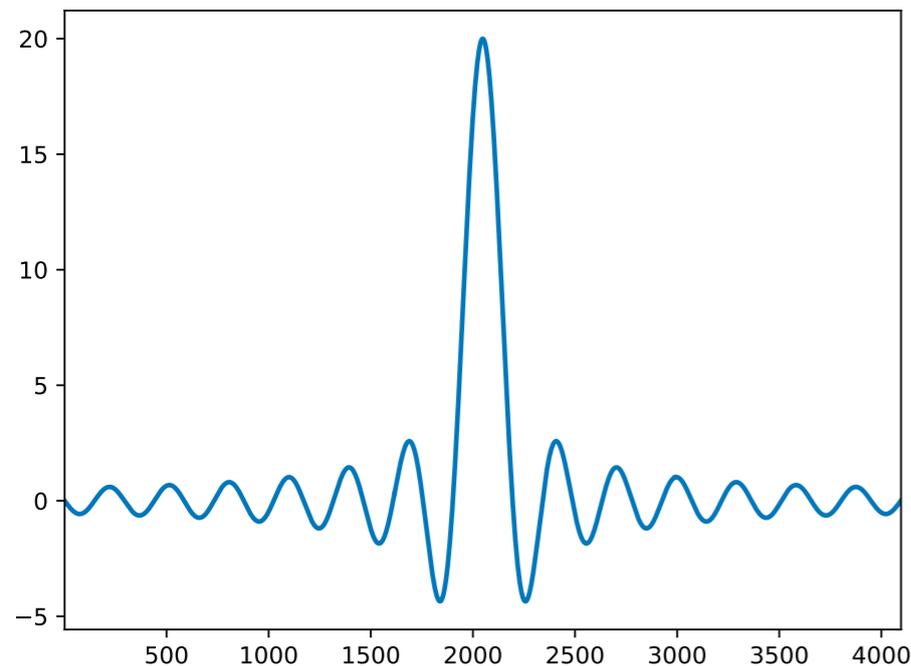


Primary use case at CCQ

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In a parallel development, matrix product state (MPS)  
(a.k.a. "tensor train") networks can represent  
*low-dimensional, continuous functions* in  
compressed form



Technique known as "quantized tensor train" (QTT)

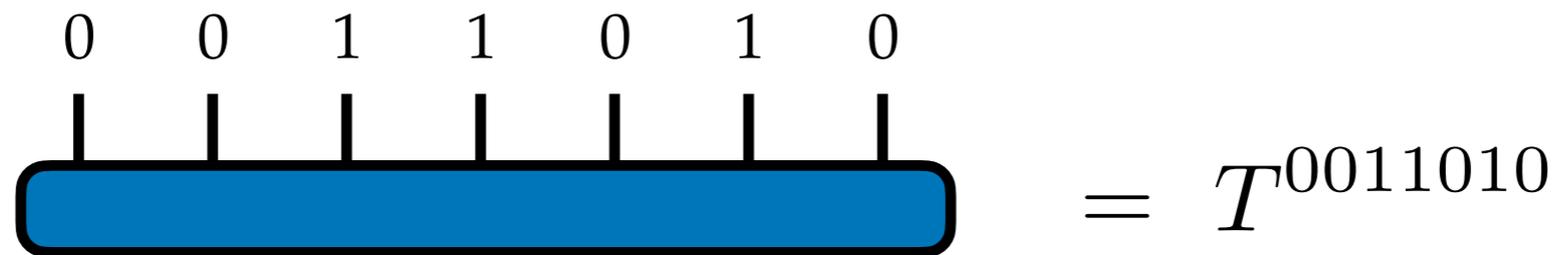
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How does it work?

Tensor = collection of numbers  
labeled by indices

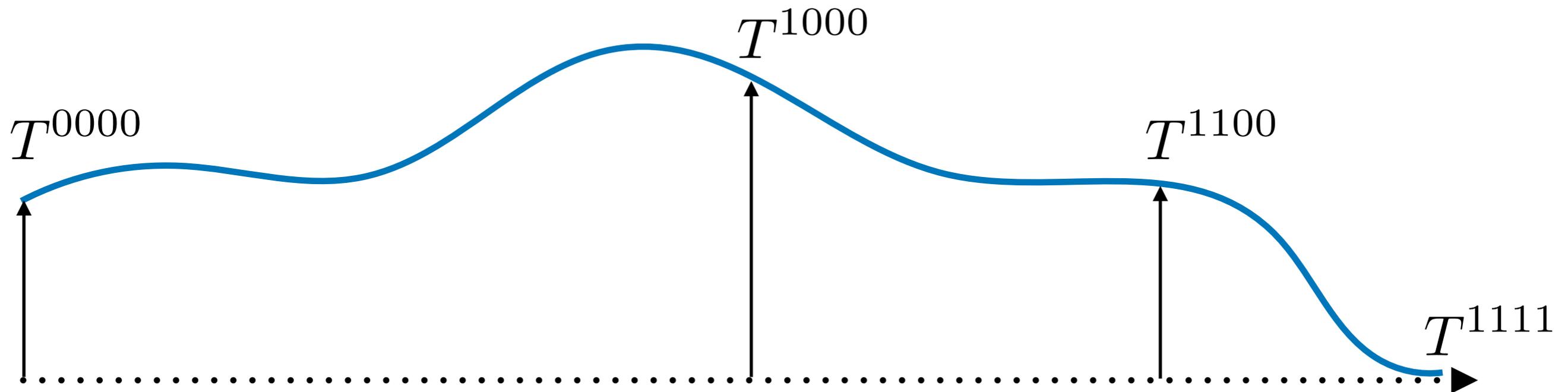

$$= T^{0011010}$$

Interpret indices as binary digits

$$\begin{aligned} 0011010 &= 0 \cdot 2^6 + 0 \cdot 2^5 + 1 \cdot 2^4 + 1 \cdot 2^3 + 0 \cdot 2^2 + 1 \cdot 2^1 + 0 \\ &= 26 \end{aligned}$$

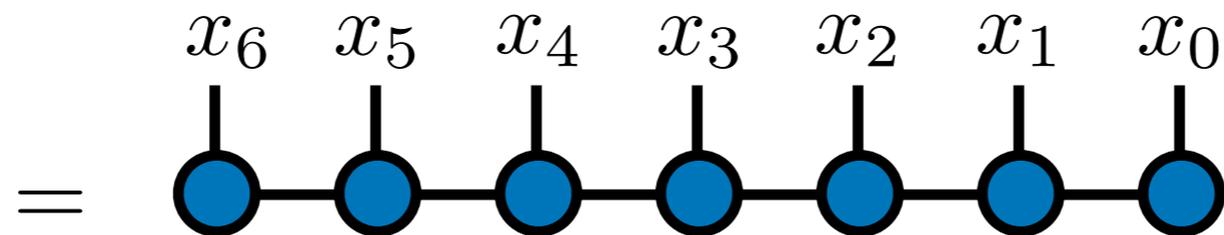
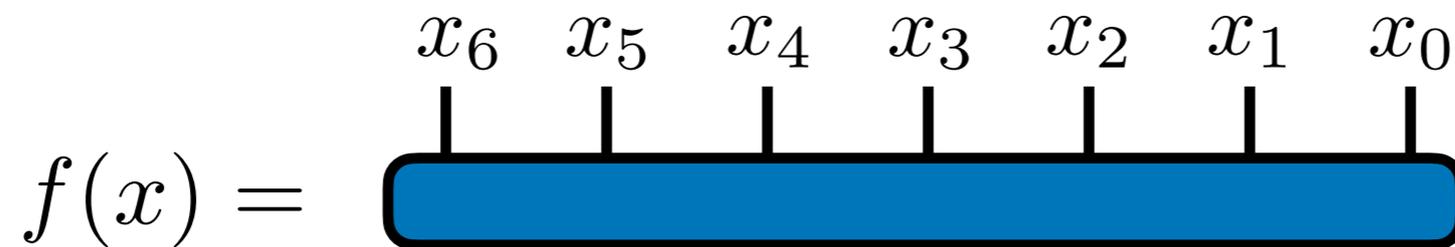
# Arbitrary function as a tensor

- Binary number (index values) label grid points
- Tensor element = function value

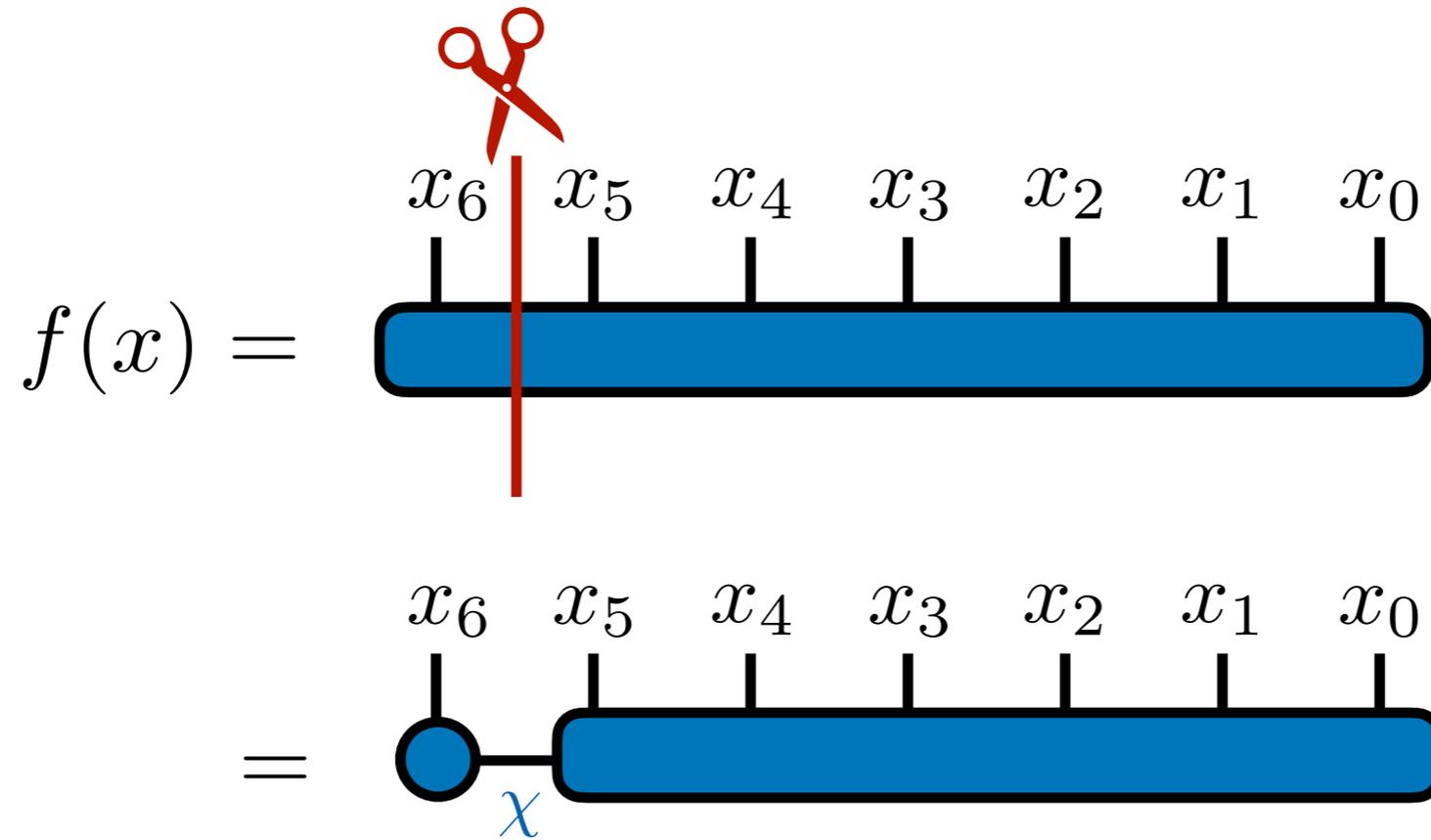


$$f(x) = \begin{array}{ccccccc} x_6 & x_5 & x_4 & x_3 & x_2 & x_1 & x_0 \\ \hline \text{[Blue Bar]} \end{array} = T^{x_6 x_5 x_4 x_3 x_2 x_1 x_0}$$

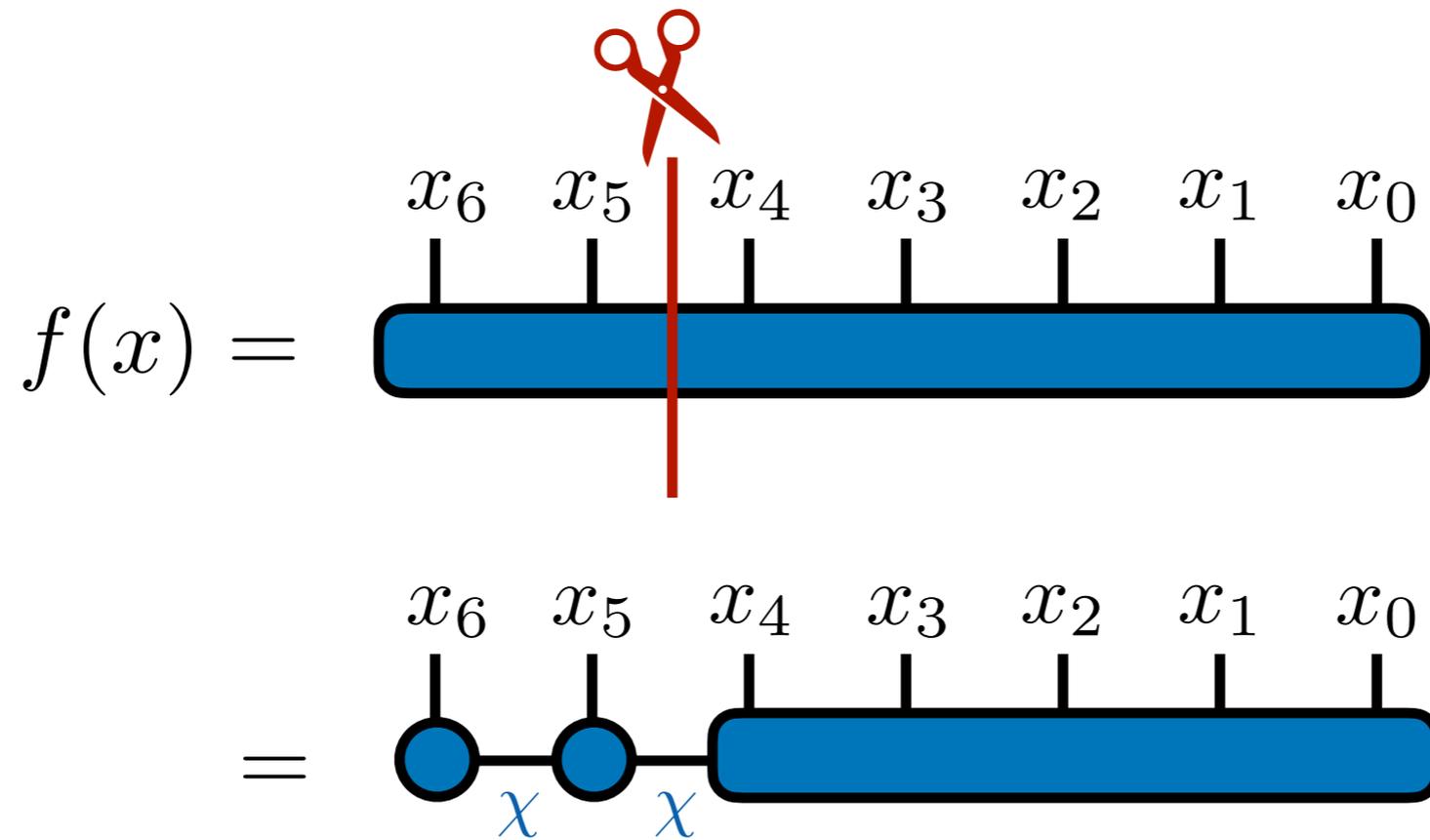
Factorize this "function tensor"  
as MPS tensor network



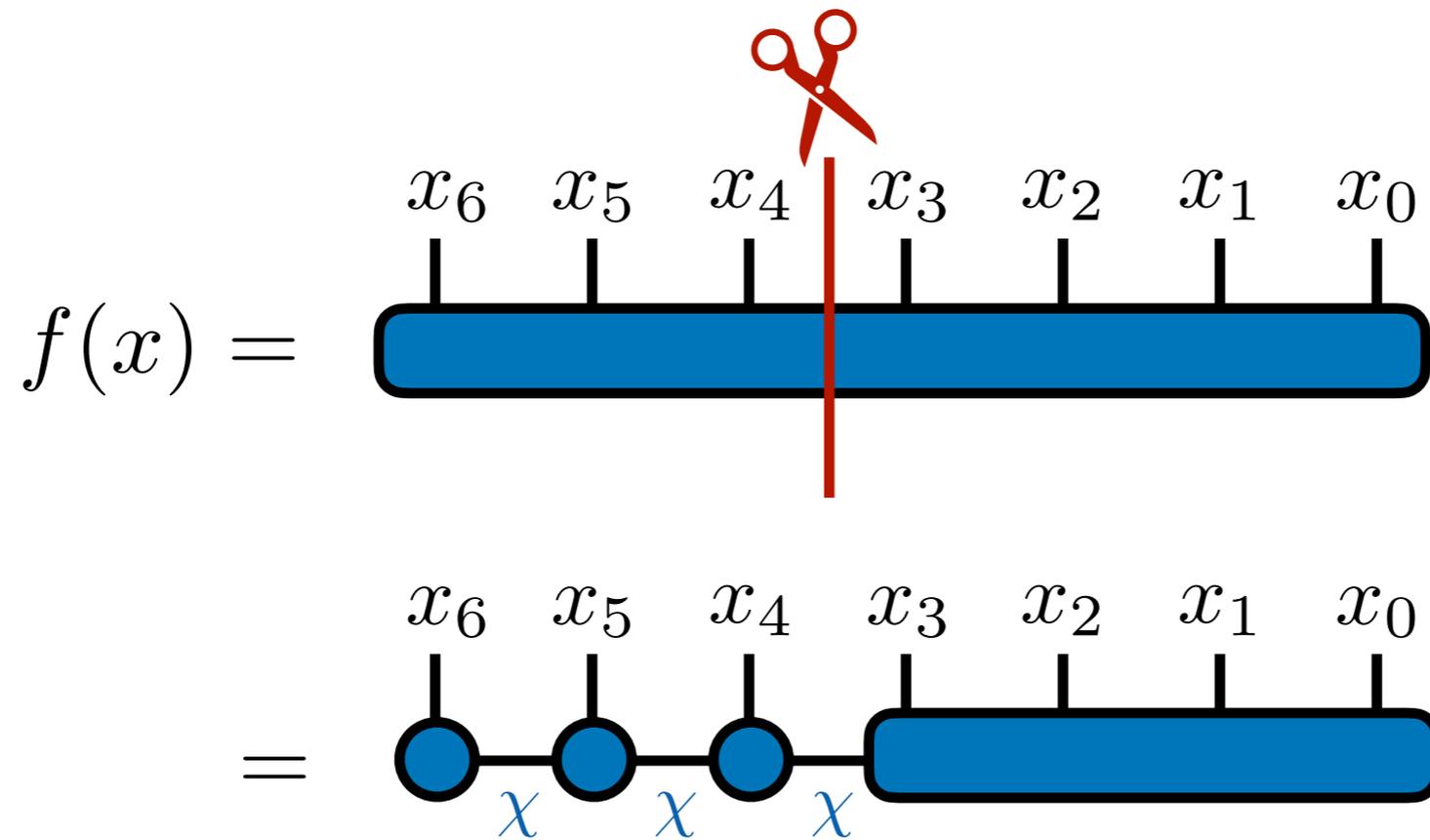
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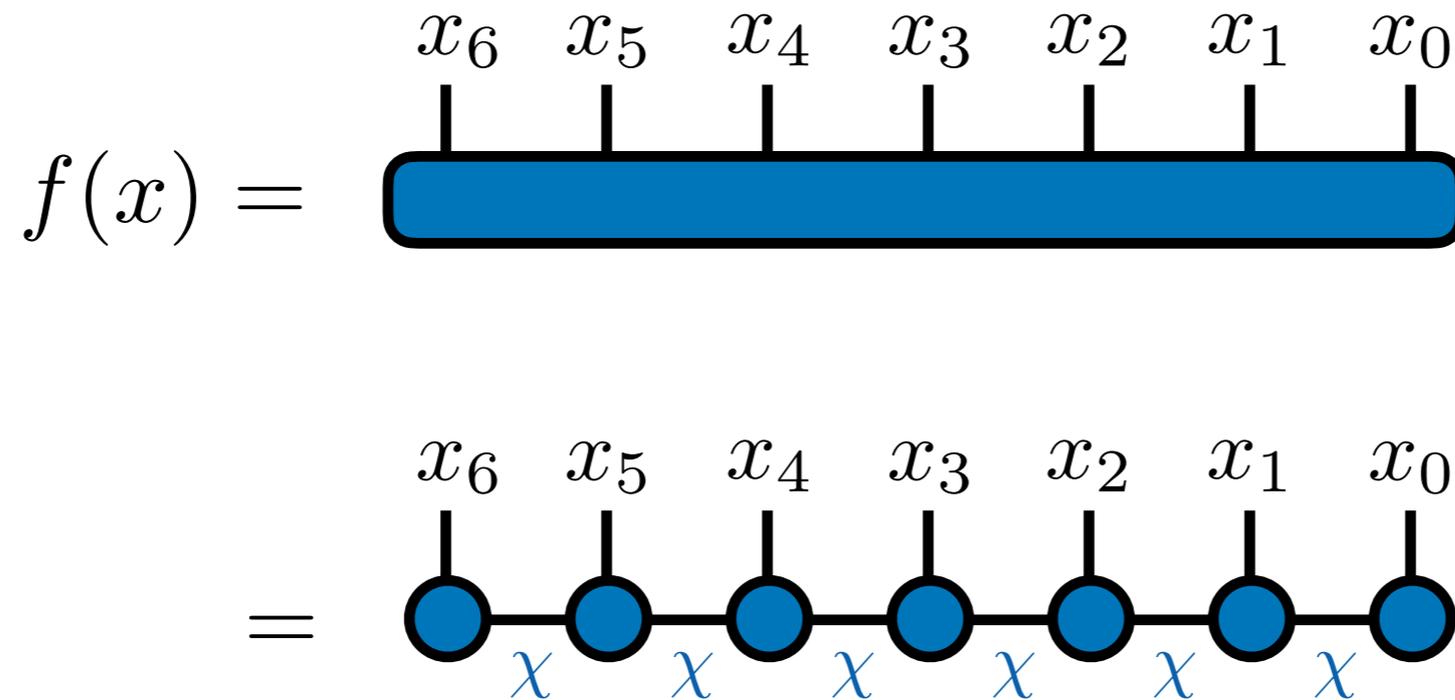


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Obtain computational advantage if ranks  $\chi$   
("bond dimensions")  
can be chosen small without much error

# Compression of parameters



**Uncompressed** tensor =  $2^n$  parameters = # grid points

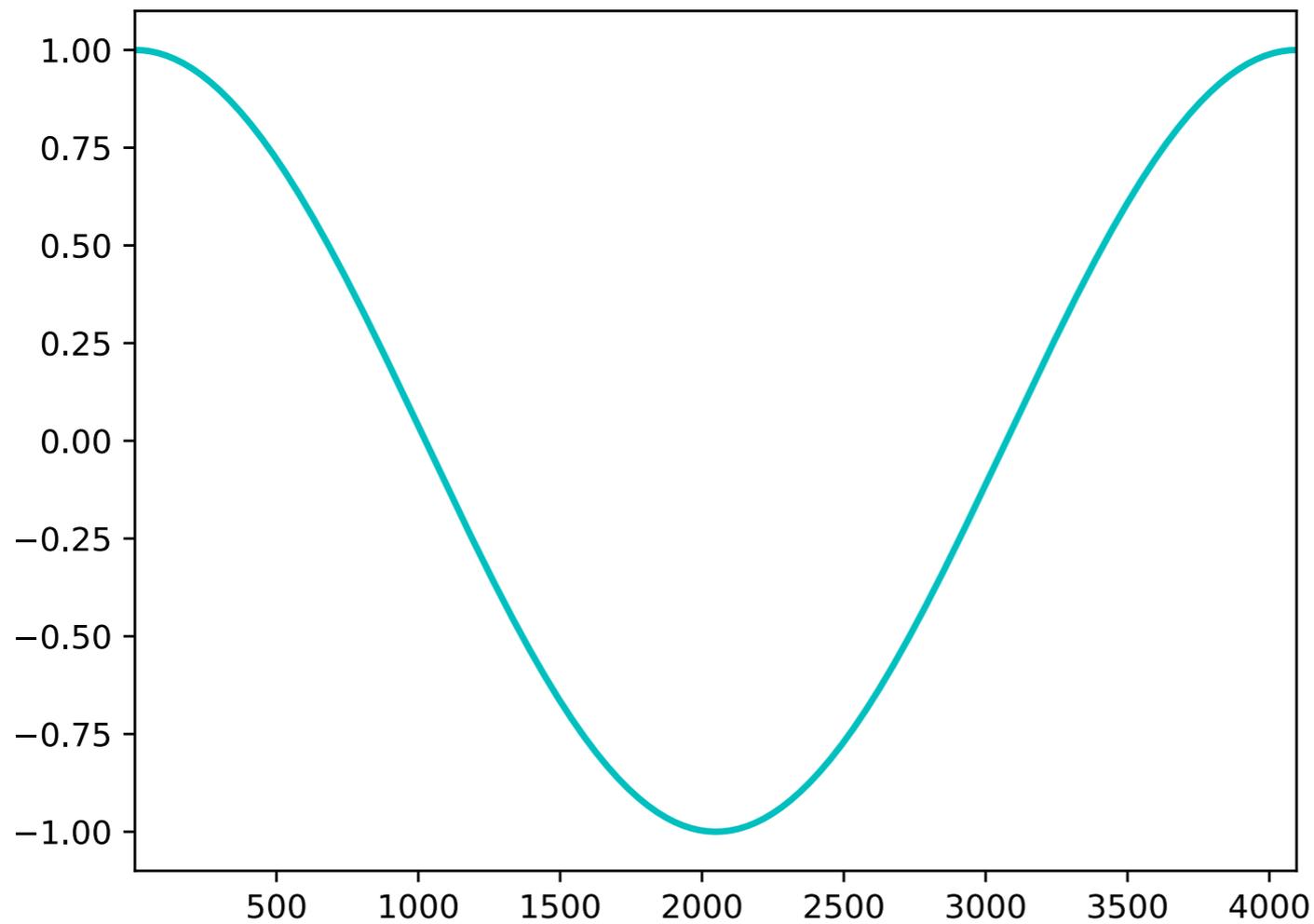
**Compressed** =  $2n\chi^2$  parameters  $\ll 2^n$

Evaluating function values, performing integrals scales as  $n\chi^2$

Optimization algorithms scale as  $n\chi^3$

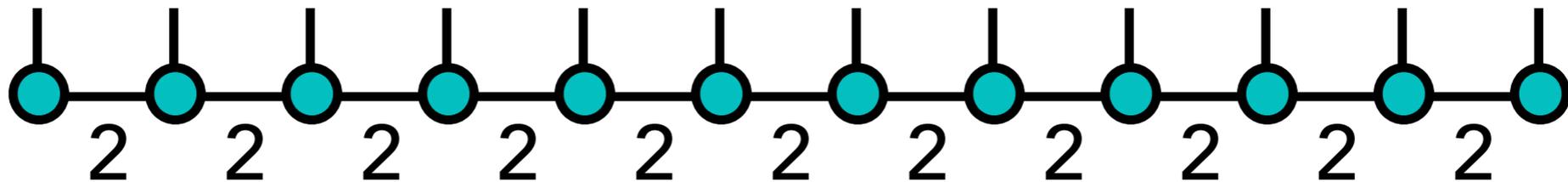
# Example Function: Single Cosine

$$\|\tilde{f} - f\| = 4.4 \times 10^{-14}$$
$$\max(\tilde{f} - f) = 2.6 \times 10^{-15}$$

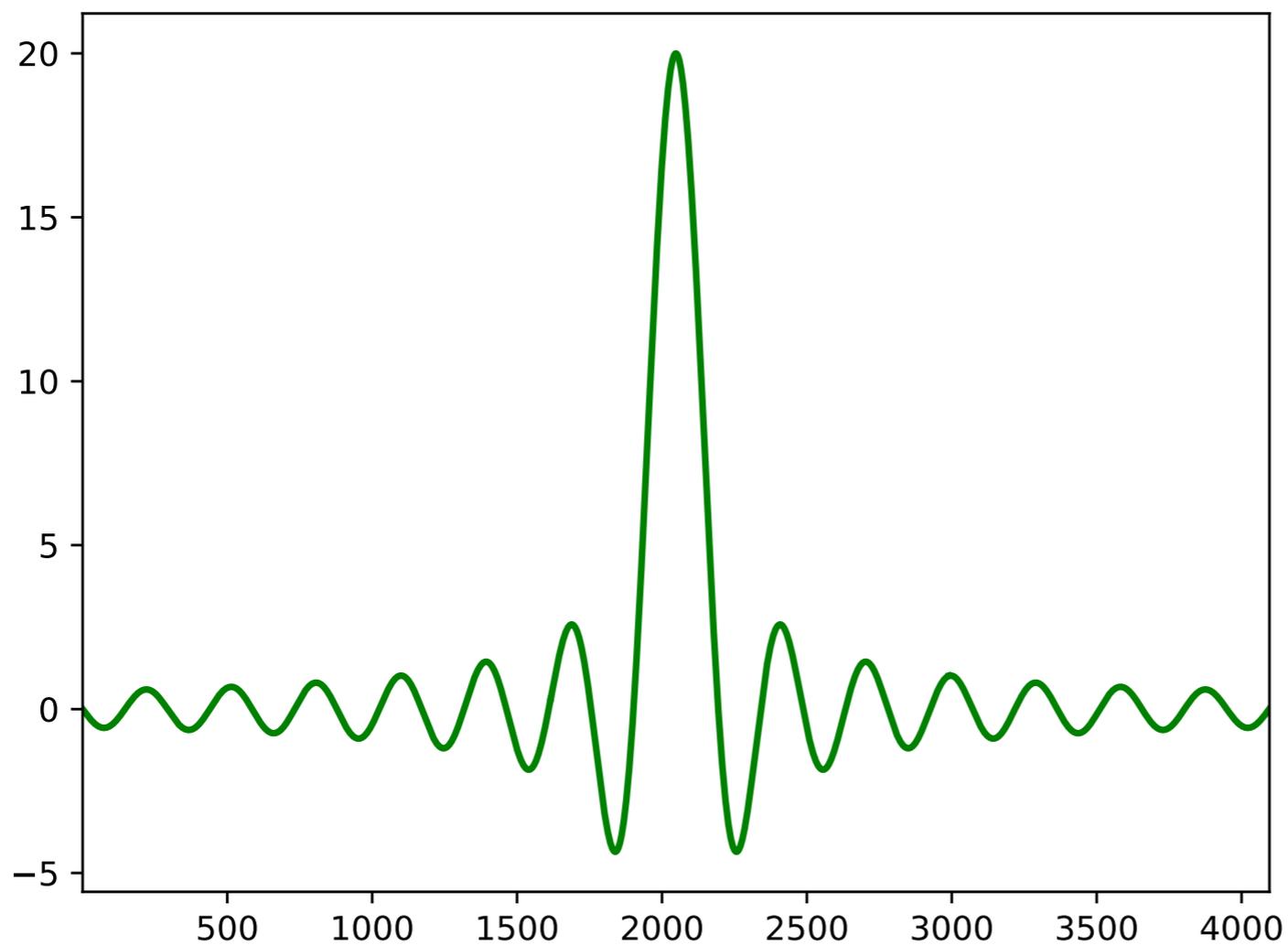


$$\cos \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

Ranks (n=12):

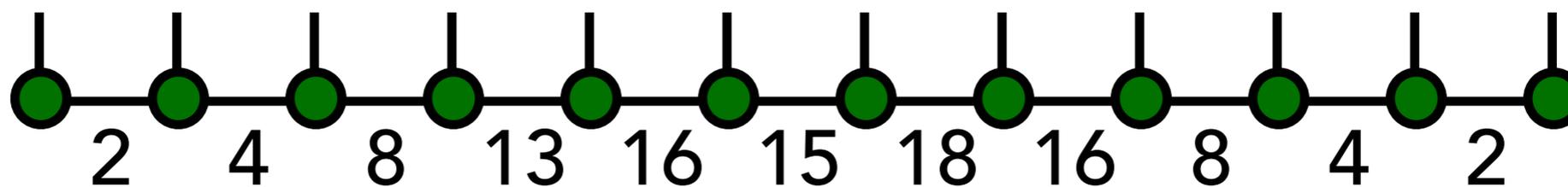


**Example Function: Sum of 20 Cosines**  $\|\tilde{f} - f\| = 7.4 \times 10^{-13}$   
 $\max(\tilde{f} - f) = 1.2 \times 10^{-13}$



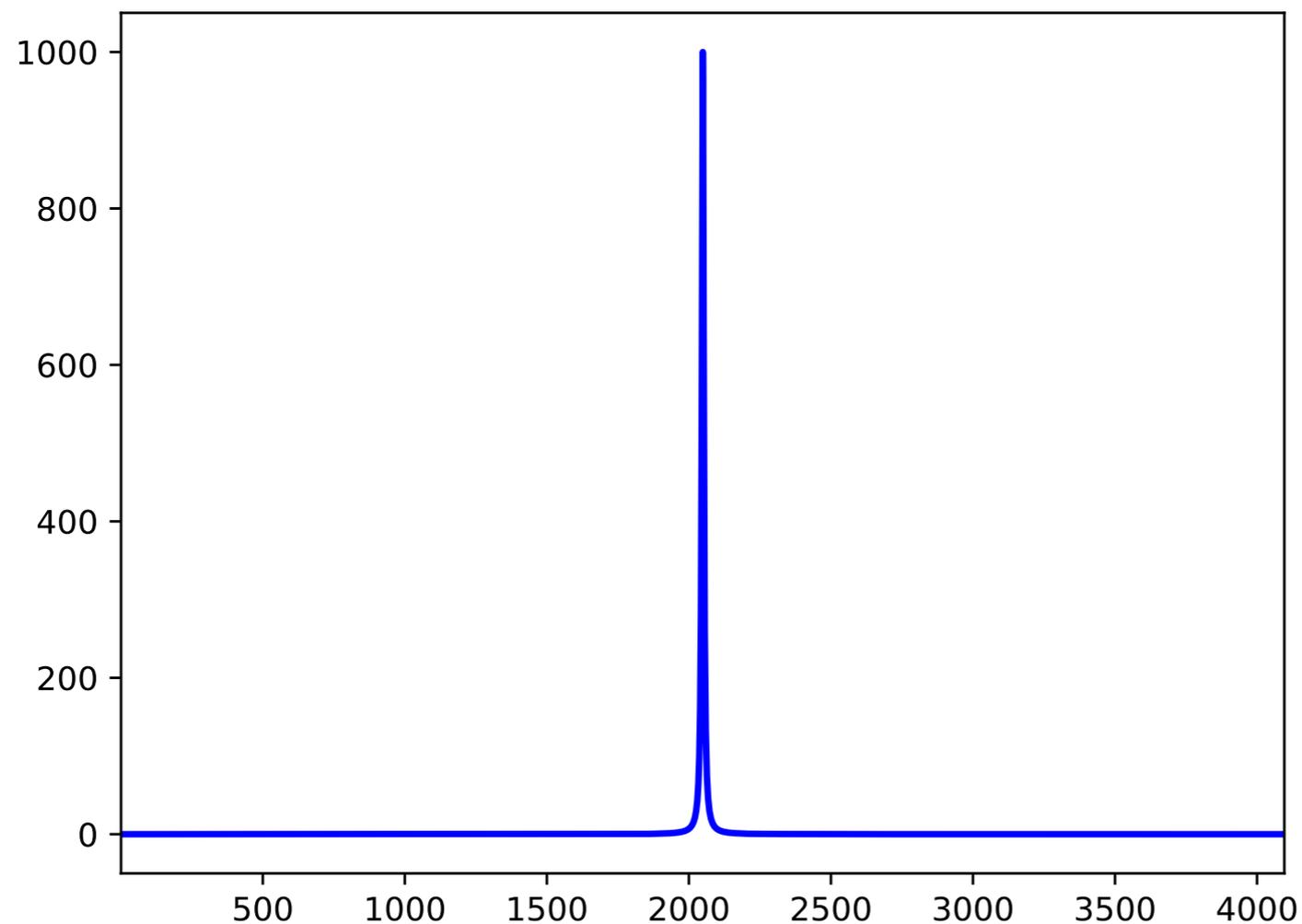
$$\sum_{j=1}^{20} \cos \left[ 1.1 \cdot (4j - 2) \cdot \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right]$$

Ranks (n=12):



# Example Function: Lorentzian

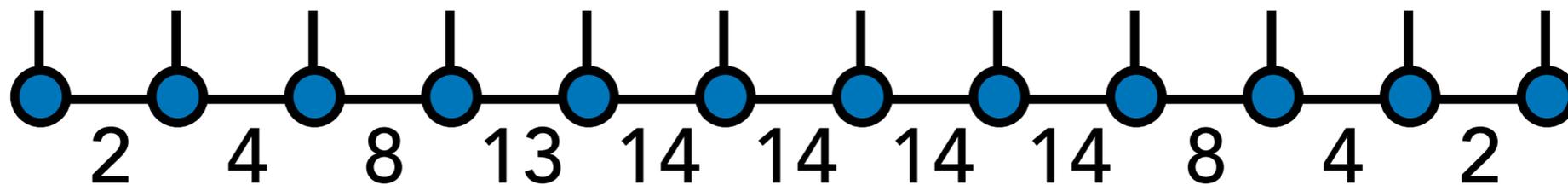
$$\|\tilde{f} - f\| = 1.5 \times 10^{-11}$$
$$\max(\tilde{f} - f) = 3.9 \times 10^{-12}$$



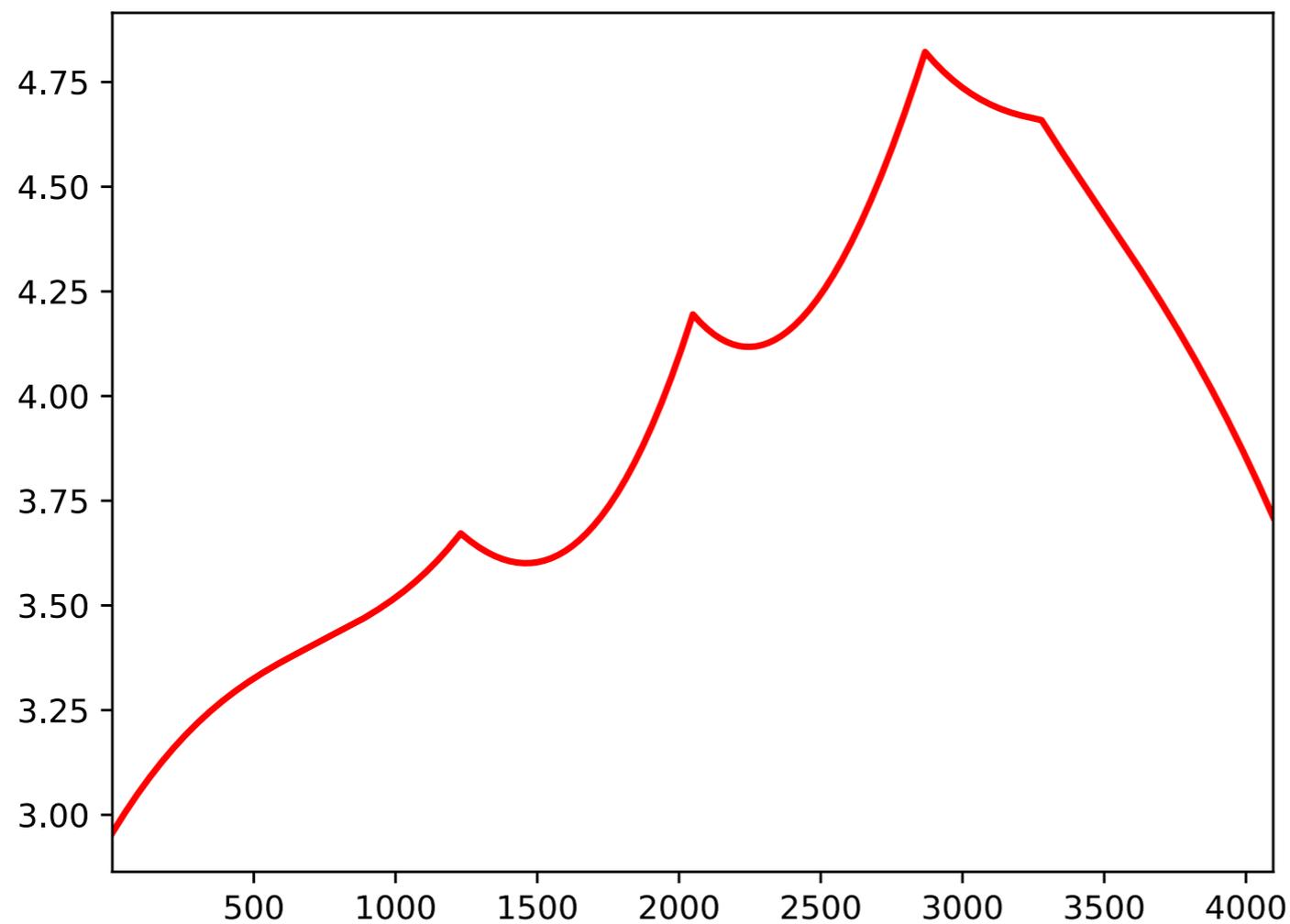
$$\frac{a}{(x - \frac{1}{2})^2 + a^2}$$

$$a = 0.001$$

Ranks (n=12):

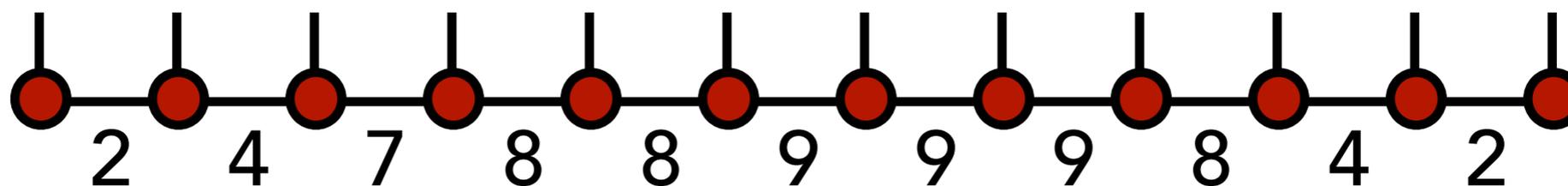


**Example Function: Cosine Plus Cusps**  $\|\tilde{f} - f\| = 3.1 \times 10^{-12}$   
 $\max(\tilde{f} - f) = 2.5 \times 10^{-13}$

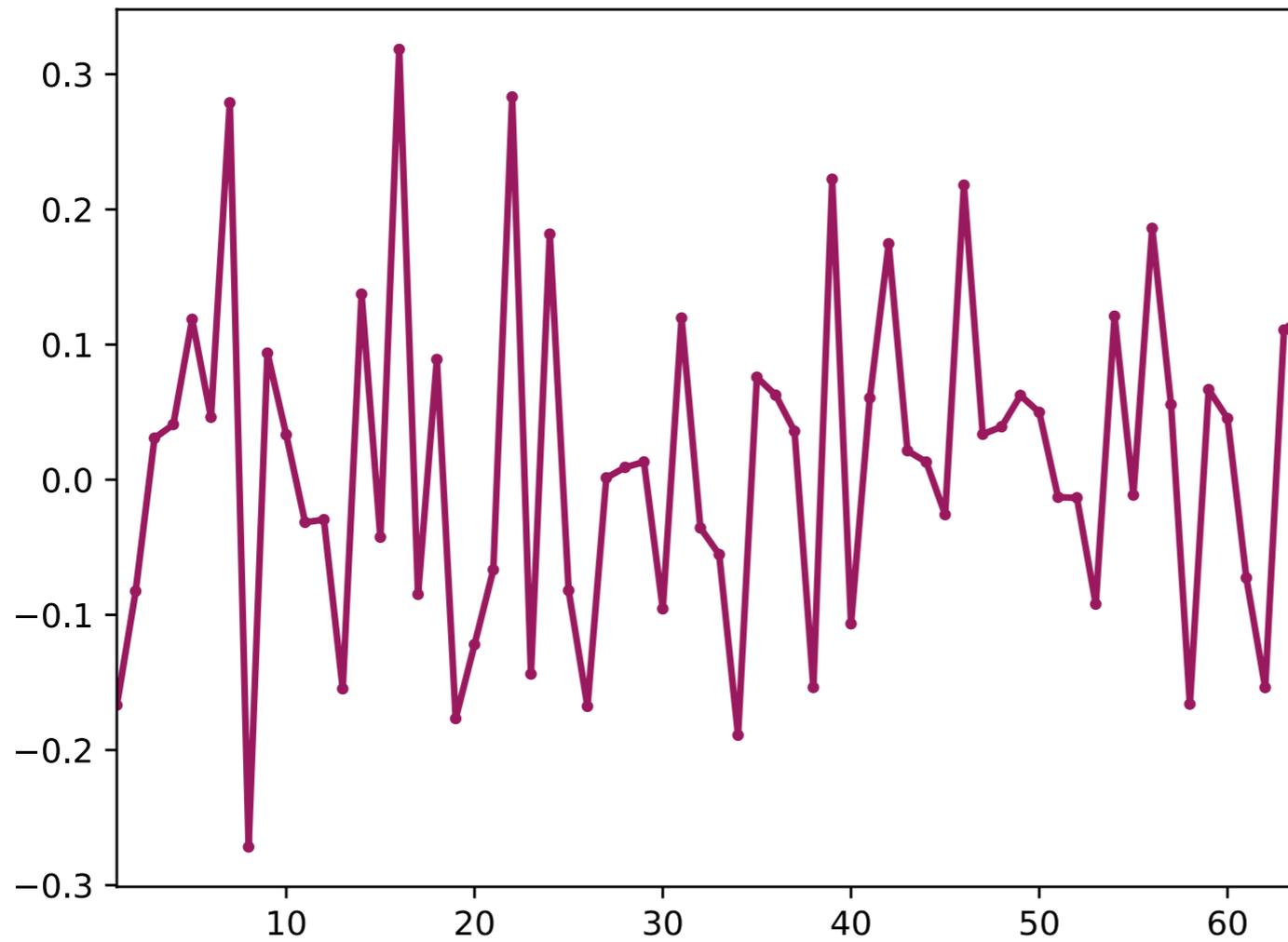


$$\begin{aligned} &\cos(2\pi x) \\ &+ e^{-3|x-0.3|} \\ &+ 3e^{-2|x-0.5|} \\ &+ 2e^{-3|x-0.7|} \\ &+ e^{-2|x-0.8|} \end{aligned}$$

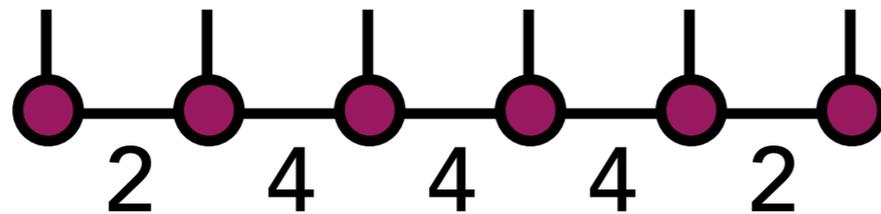
Ranks (n=12):



# Example Function: Random MPS $\chi = 4$

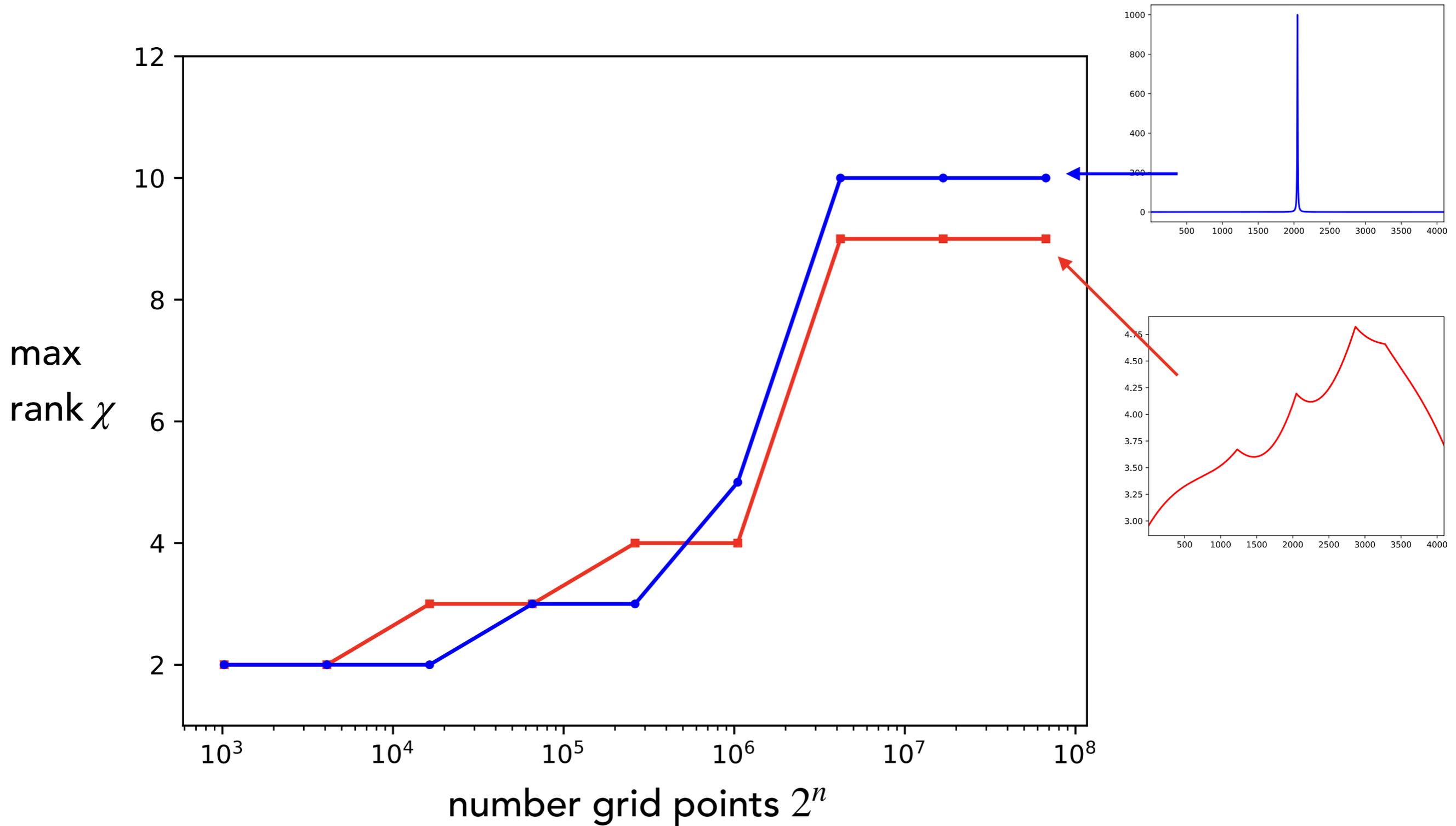


Ranks (n=6):



# MPS Rank Versus Grid Size

Using SVD threshold  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$



Very different use of MPS versus wavefunction:

*Tensor train (QTT) – one dimensional continuous function*

$$f(x) = \begin{array}{ccccccc} x_6 & x_5 & x_4 & x_3 & x_2 & x_1 & x_0 \\ | & | & | & | & | & | & | \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{array}$$

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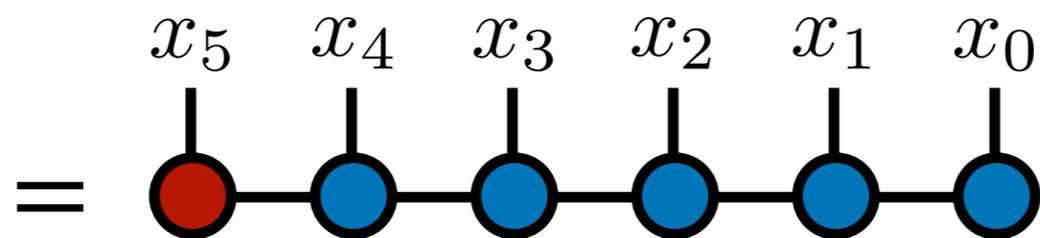
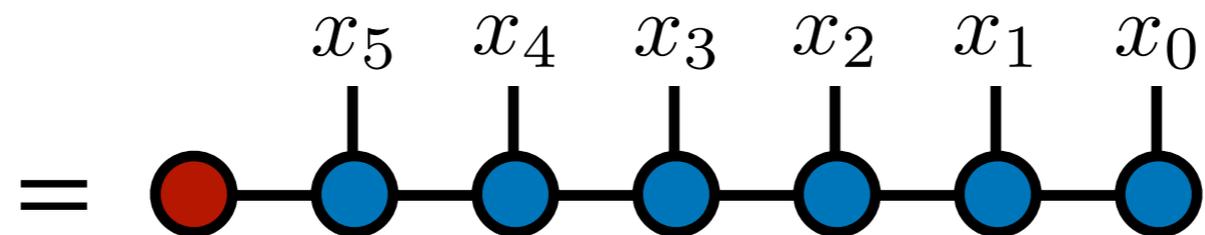
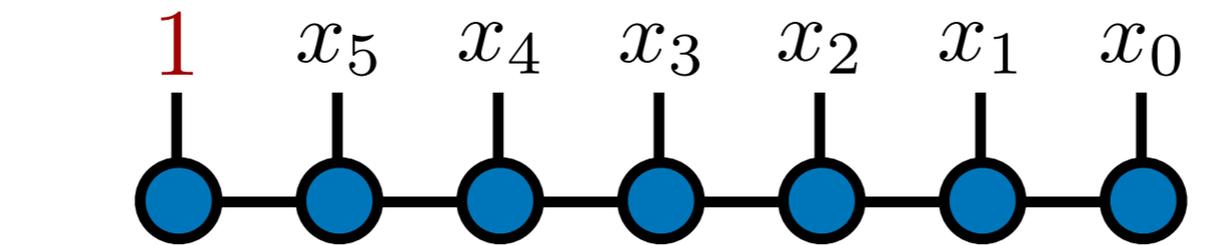
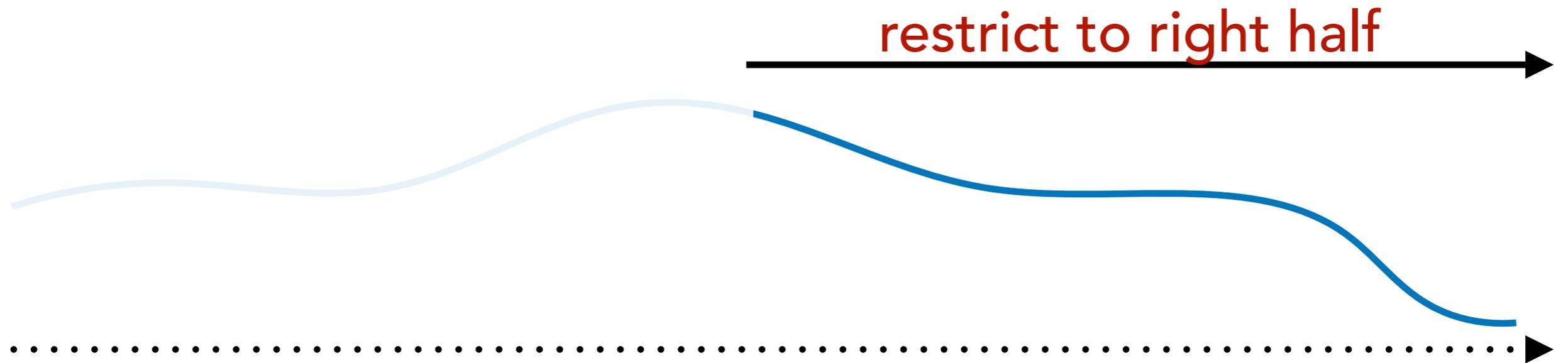
*Wavefunction – N-dimensional discrete function*

$$\Psi(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5, s_6, s_7) = \begin{array}{ccccccc} s_1 & s_2 & s_3 & s_4 & s_5 & s_6 & s_7 \\ | & | & | & | & | & | & | \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \end{array}$$

Same tensor network, different interpretation

When does it work?

MPS function again an MPS when restricted:

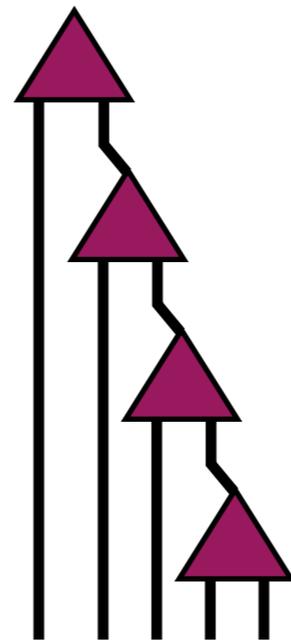


again an MPS

# When does it work?

## MPS function again an MPS when restricted:

- implies **self-similarity** property
- includes **smooth** functions as special case
- can handle some amount of **cusps & discontinuities** too
- likely connection to **wavelets**, but differences too (e.g. adaptivity)\*



Crucially, nearly entire quantum tensor network toolbox (**ITensor software**) can be repurposed:

- **eigenvector** finding (DMRG and DMRG-X algorithms)
- time-dependent **diff. eq.** solving (tDMRG & TDVP algs.)
- solving **linear systems**
- discrete **Fourier transform** in compressed space
- and more...

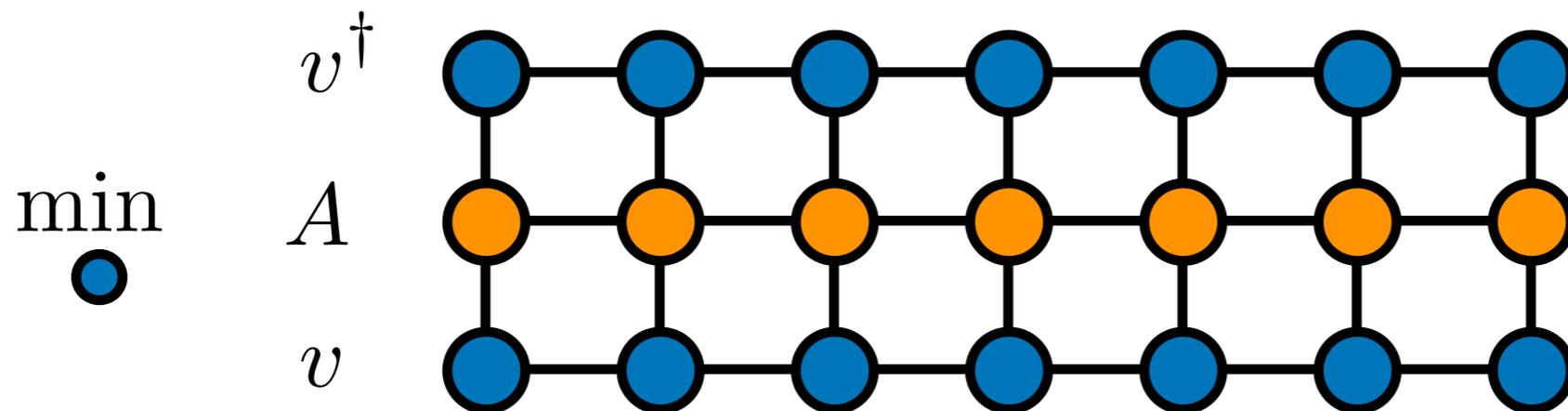
"Quantum inspired classical algorithms"

A quantum computer running on classical hardware

# Example: Extremal Eigenvectors ("DMRG" algorithm)

Solve for extremal eigenvector  $Av = \lambda v$   
by minimizing Rayleigh quotient

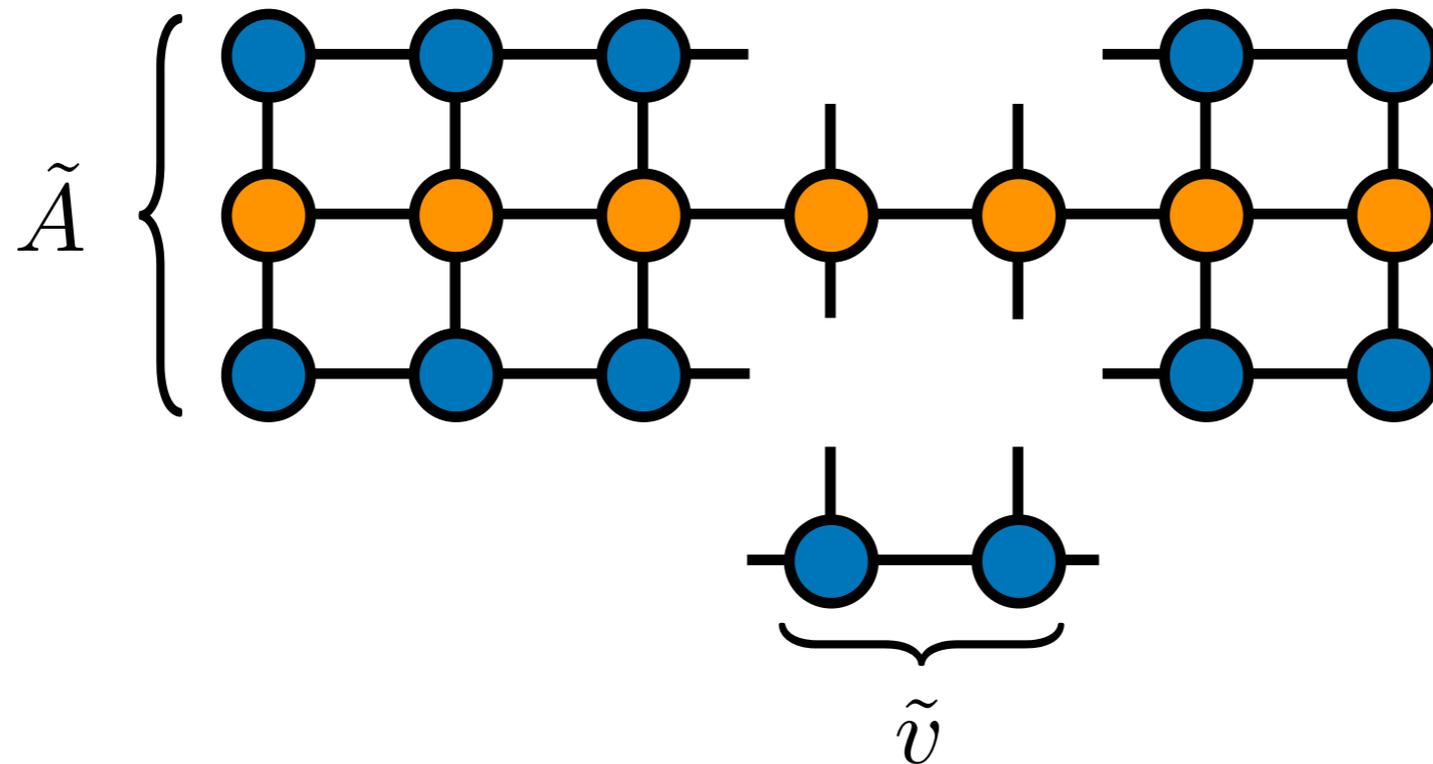
$$\min_v \frac{v^\dagger Av}{v^\dagger v}$$



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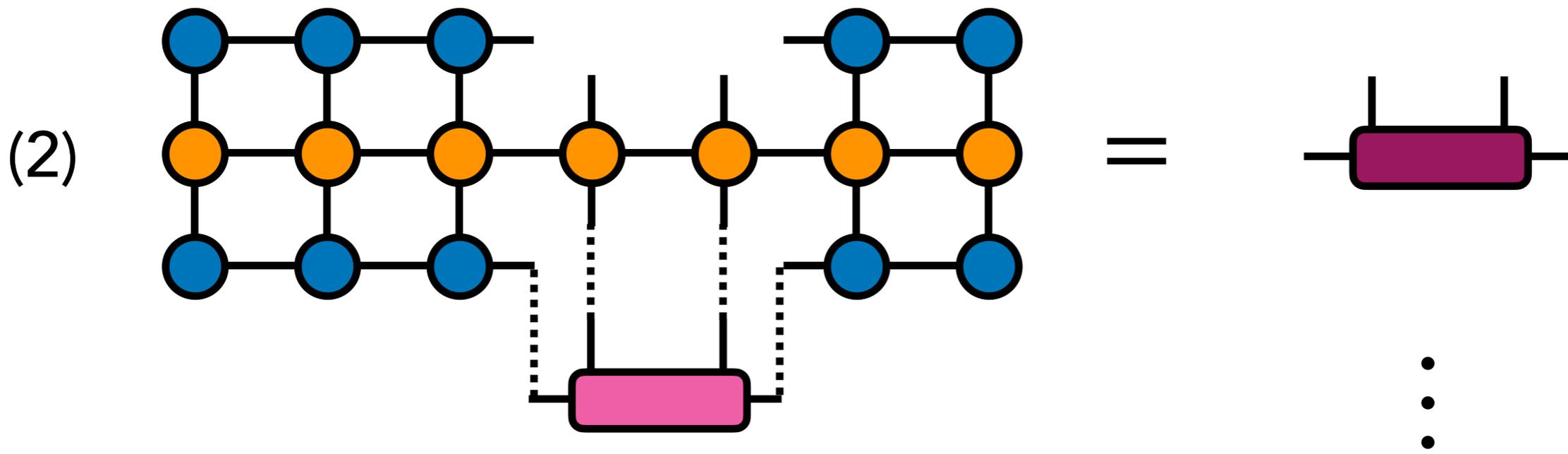
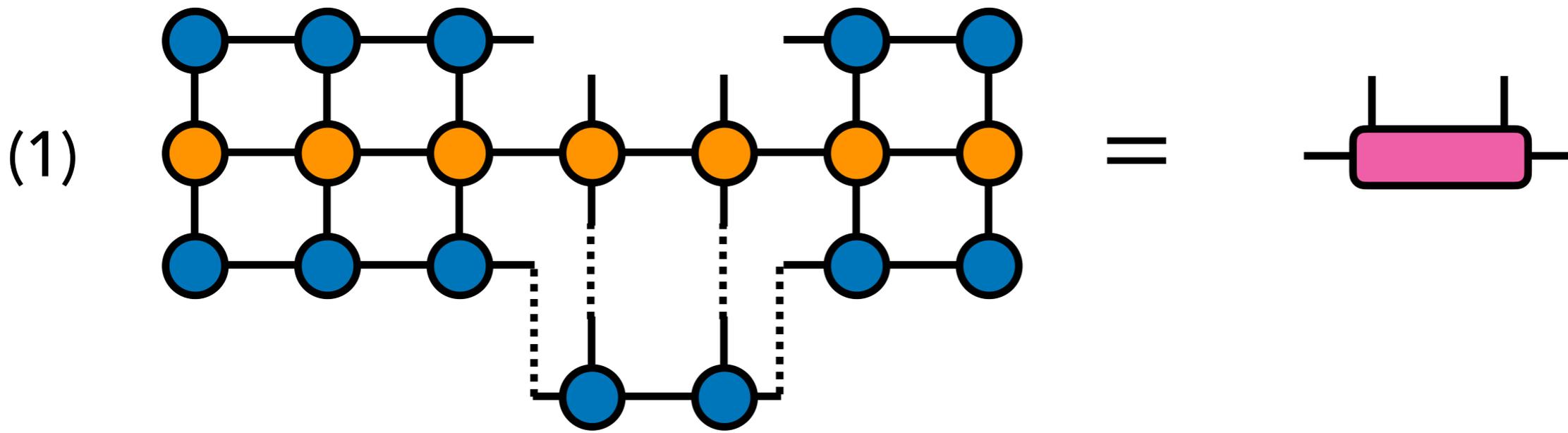
Alternating strategy:

- freeze all but two tensors
- use remaining network as linear map in Krylov eigensolver



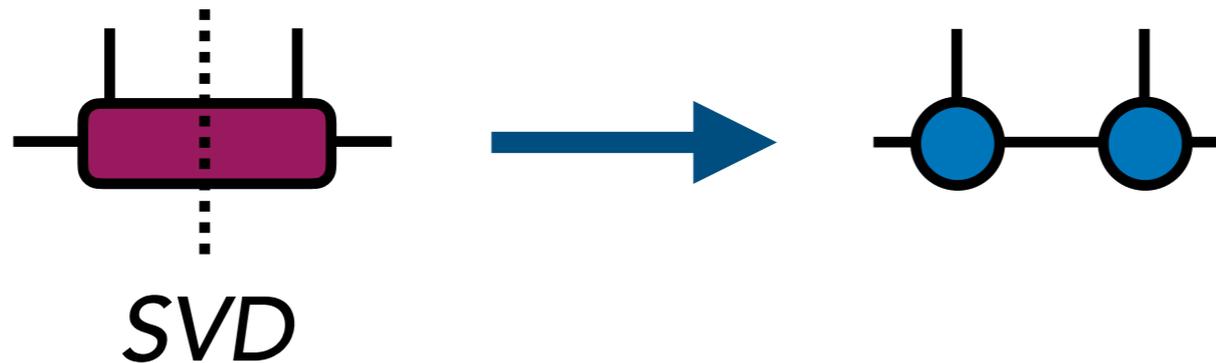
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Eigensolver iterations



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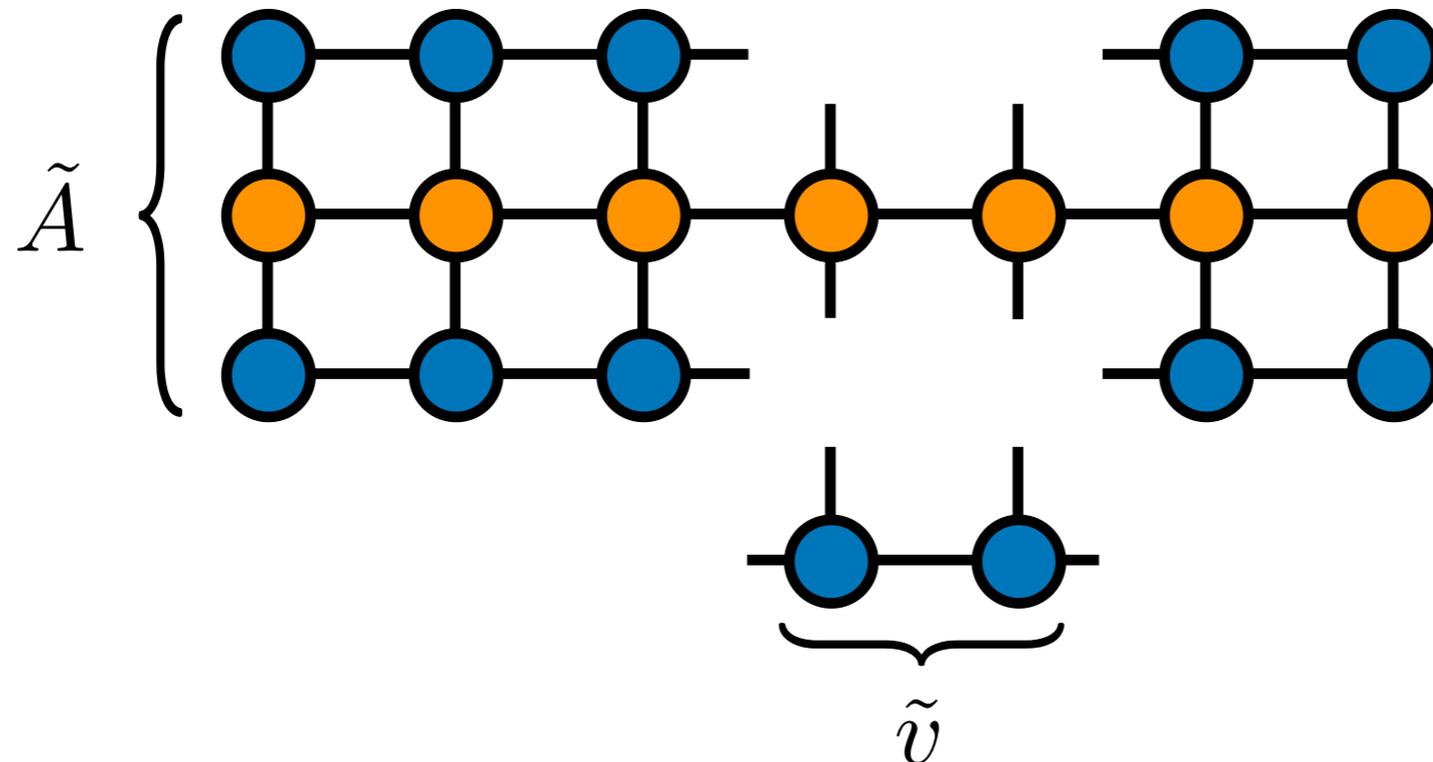
When done improving eigenvector,  
use singular value decomposition (SVD) to restore MPS form  
and adapt rank



# Example: Extremal Eigenvectors ("DMRG" algorithm)

Benefits of method:

- adaptively determines internal ranks of MPS
- efficient: scaling  $nd^2\chi^3$
- as few as 4-5 outer iteration ("sweeps") often enough



# Applications

# Function Integration

Given a function in compressed form

$$f(x) \approx \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---}$$

Straightforwardly compute its integral as

$$\int_0^1 dx f(x) \approx \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \quad \circ \text{---} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n} f(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

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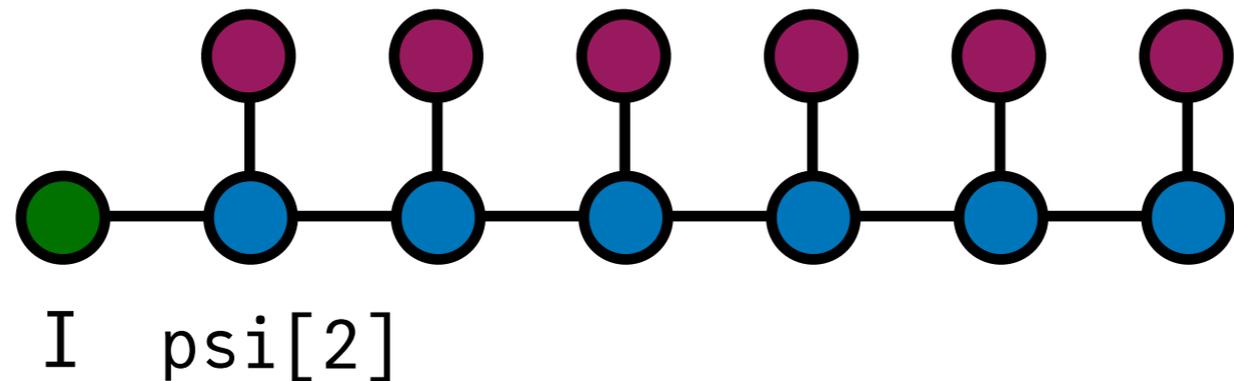
$$\int_0^1 dx f(x) \approx \text{Diagram} \quad \text{Diagram} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The diagram shows a chain of seven blue circles connected horizontally. Above each blue circle is a purple circle, connected by a vertical line. This represents a discrete approximation of the integral of a function over the interval [0, 1]. To the right, a single purple circle with a vertical line below it is equated to a column vector with two entries, both 1/2.

ITensor code to perform integral:

```
function integrate(psi::MPS)
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    I = ITensor(1.)
    for (j,s) in enumerate(sites)
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    end
    return scalar(I)
end
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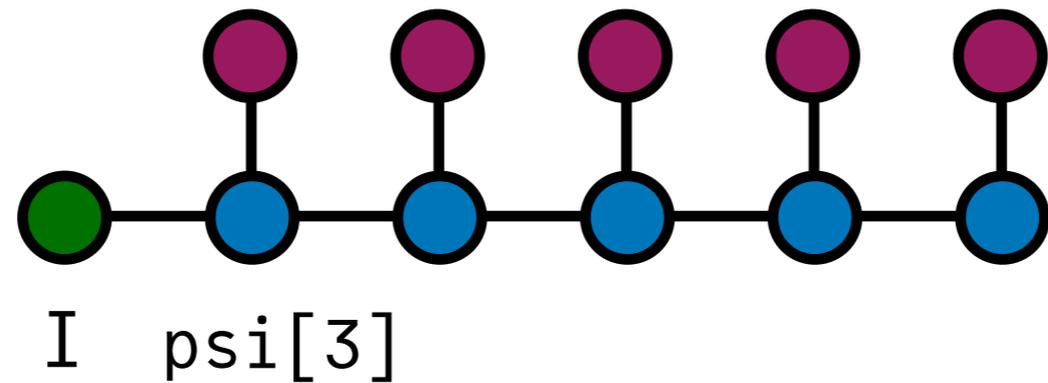


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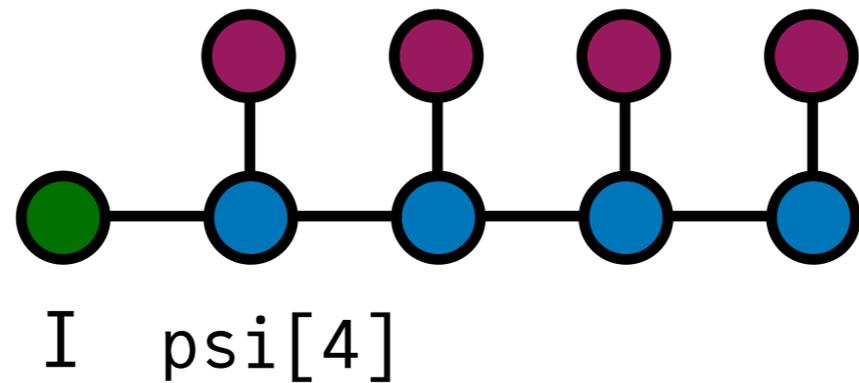


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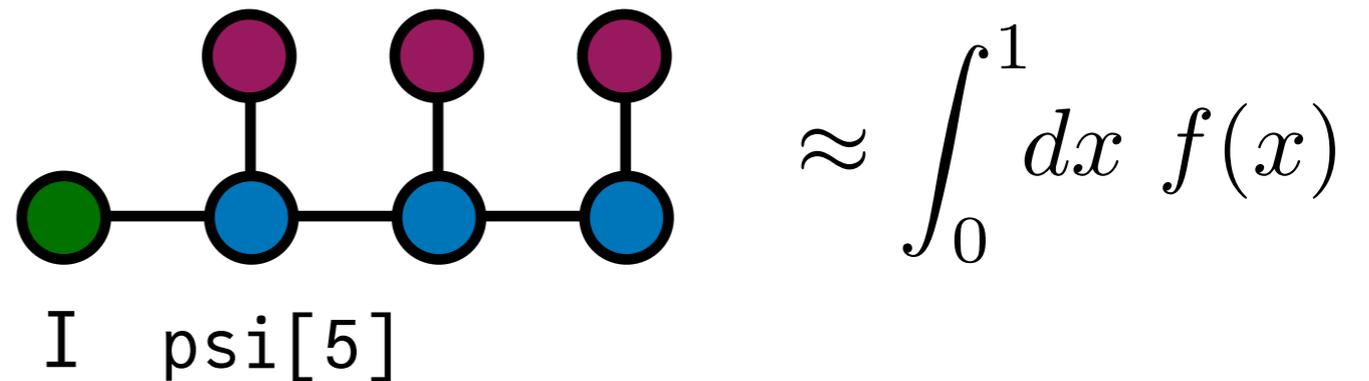


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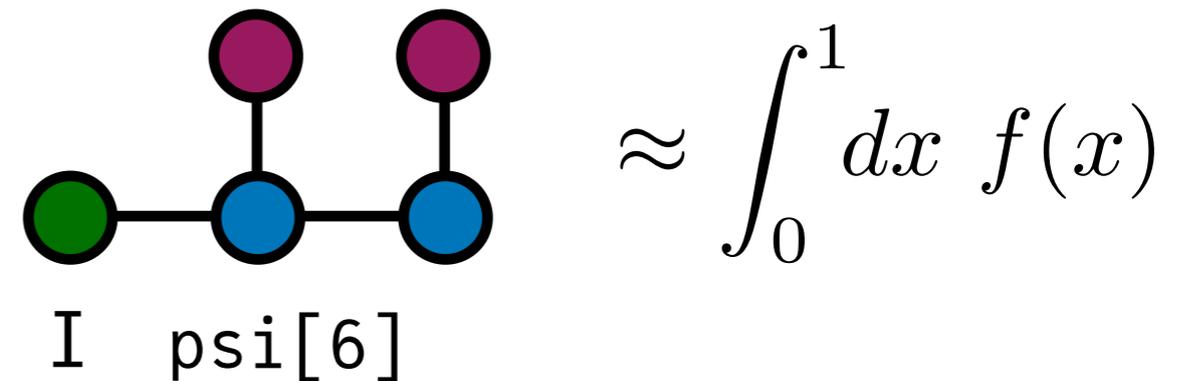
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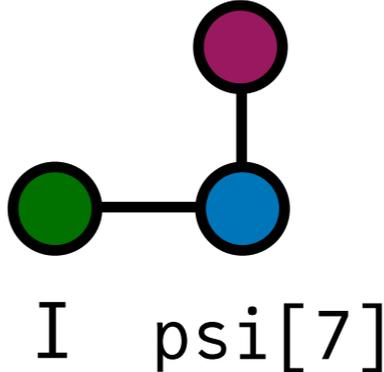
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# Function Integration



The diagram shows a green circle labeled 'I' connected to a blue circle labeled 'psi[7]'. The blue circle is also connected to a pink circle above it. This structure is shown to be approximately equal to the integral from 0 to 1 of f(x) dx.

$$I \quad \text{psi}[7] \approx \int_0^1 dx f(x)$$

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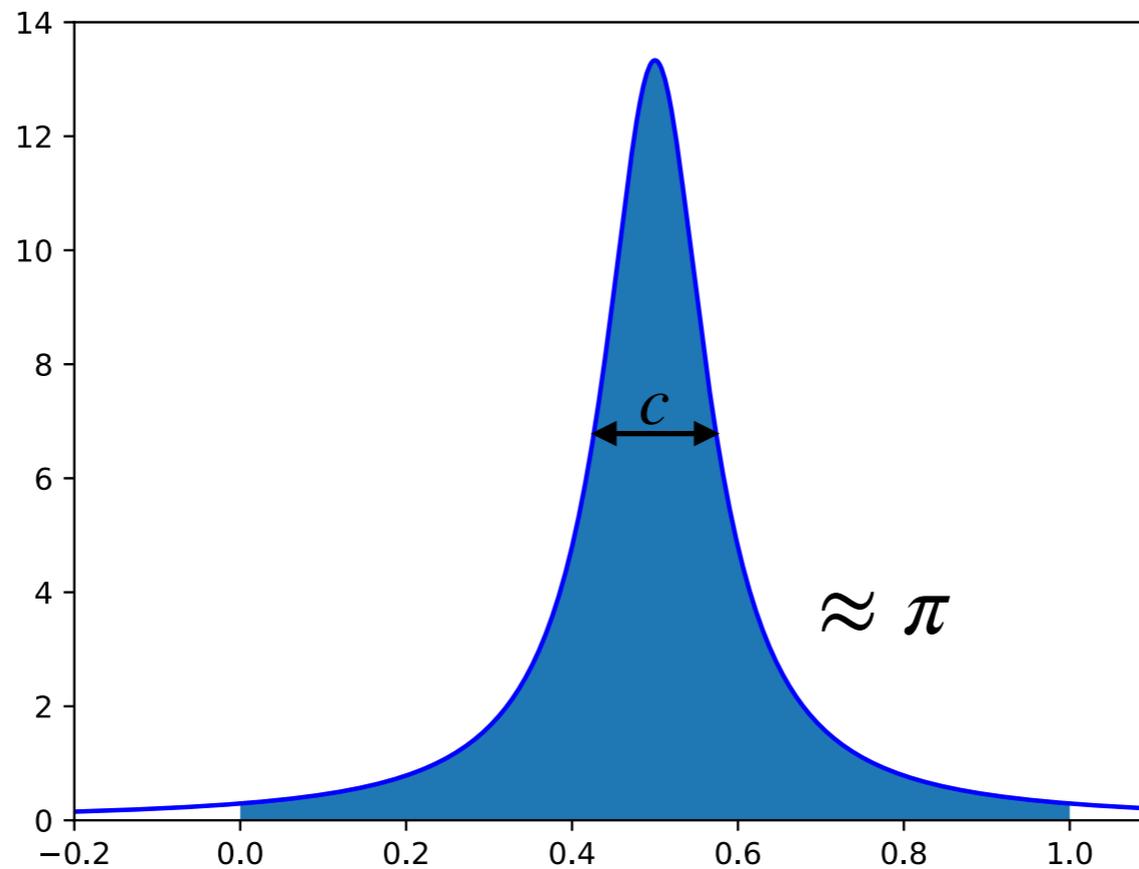
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Test case – unnormalized Cauchy distribution

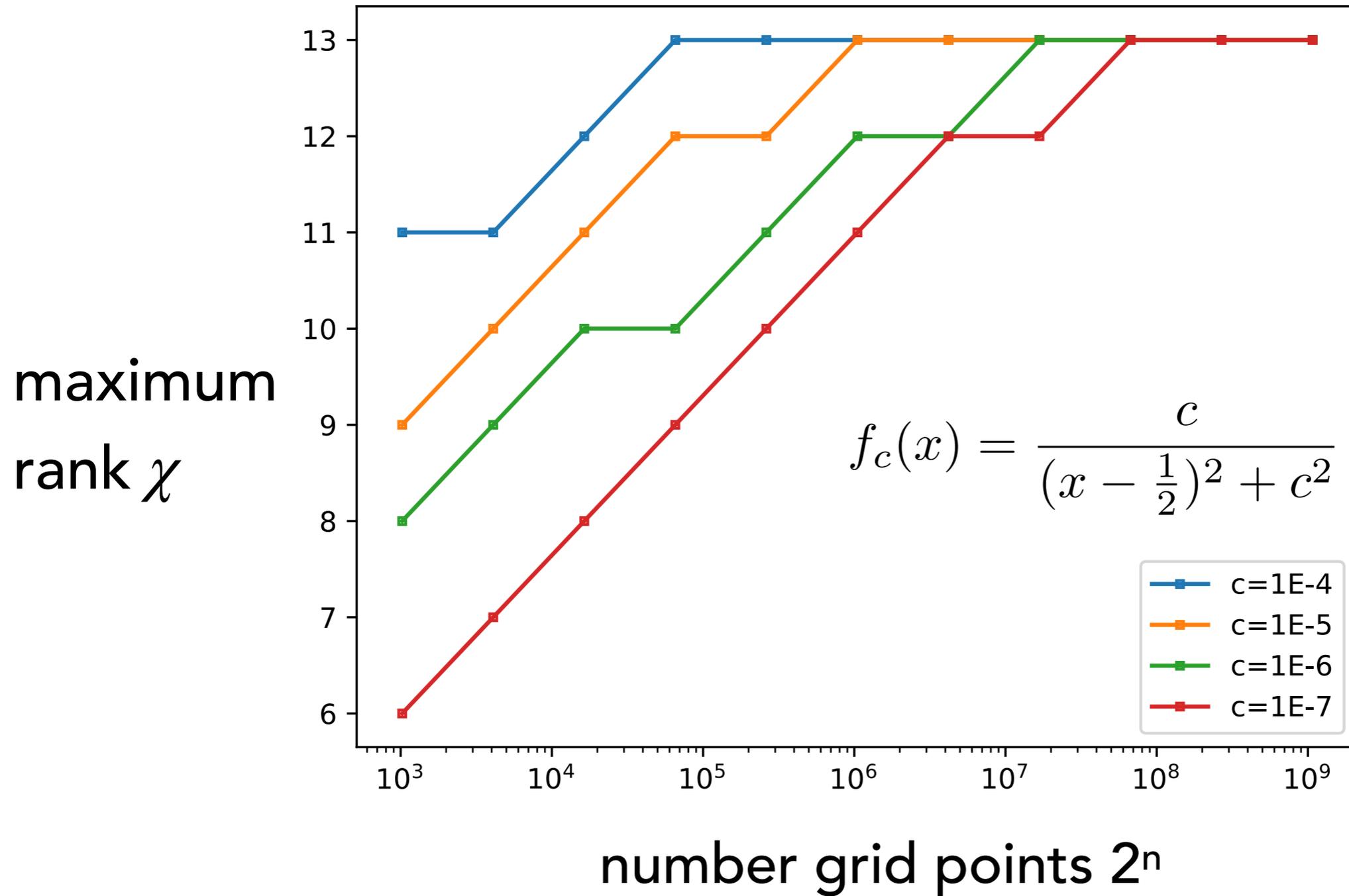
$$f_c(x) = \frac{c}{\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + c^2}$$

such that  $\lim_{c \rightarrow 0} \int_0^1 dx f(x) = \pi$



# Function Integration

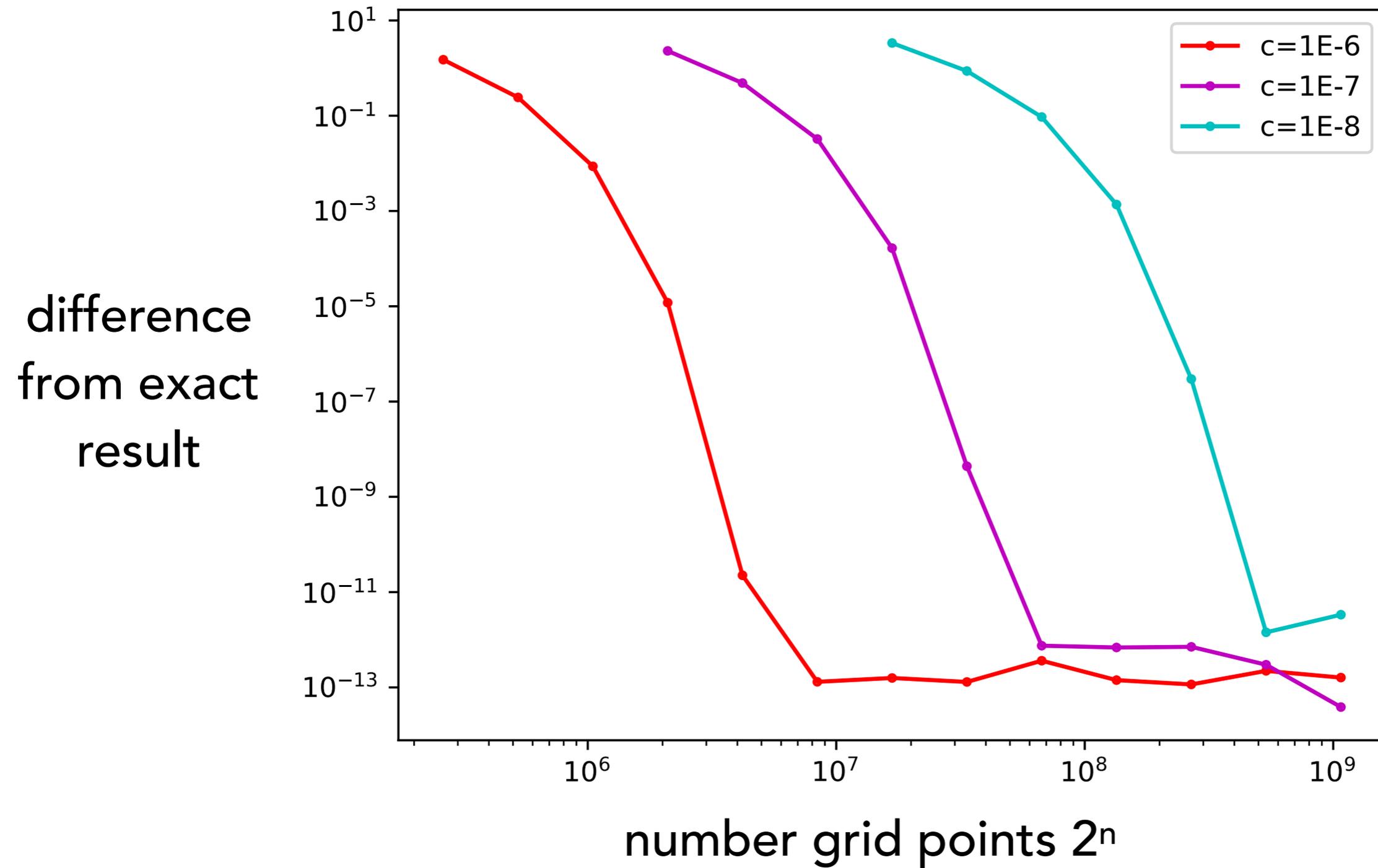
Maximum ranks as function of grid size:



# Function Integration

Results for fixed c values

$$\int_0^1 \frac{c}{\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + c^2} dx$$

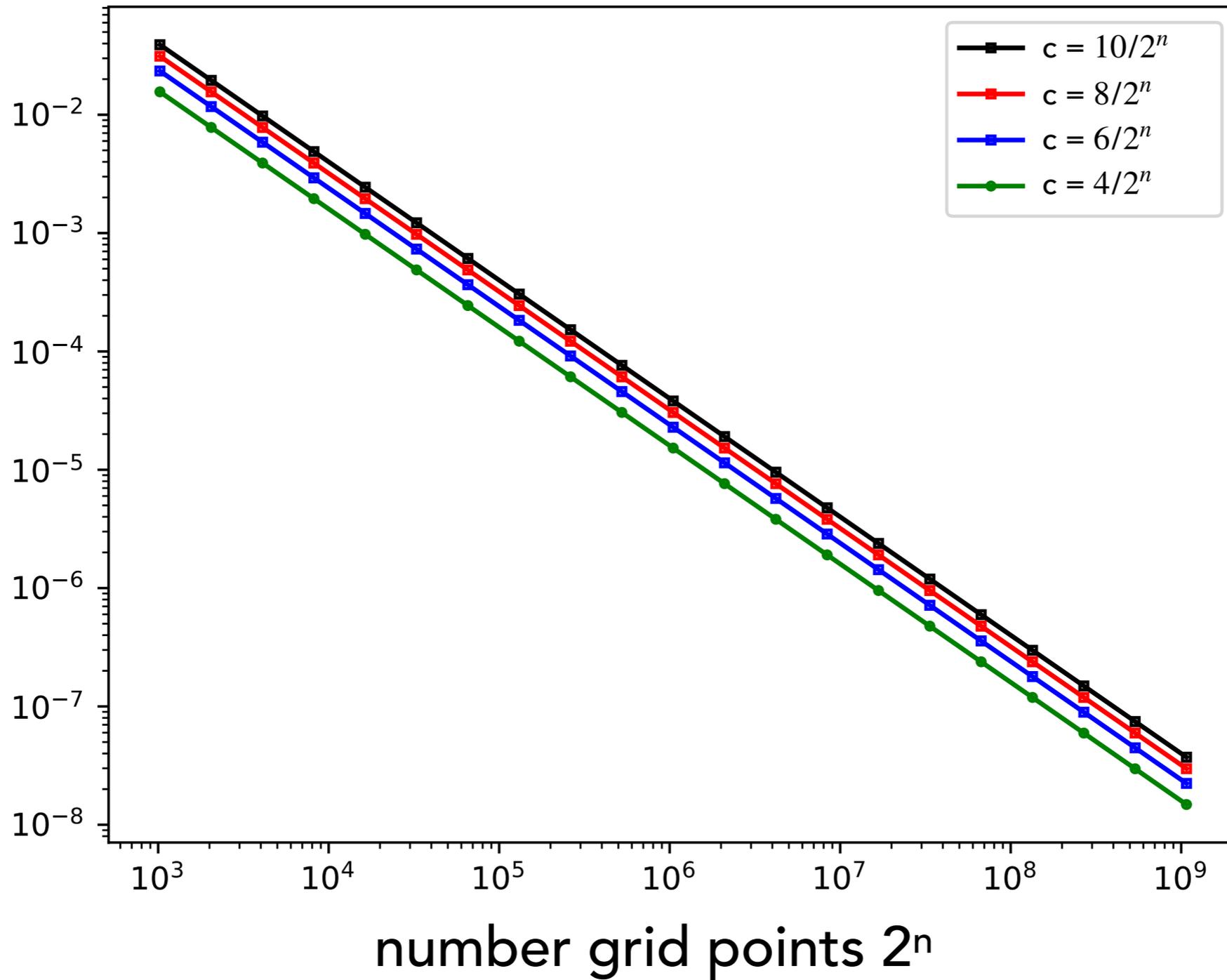


# Function Integration

Scaling  $c$  to zero ( $c \sim 1/2^n$ )  
as function of grid spacing

$$\int_0^1 \frac{c}{\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + c^2} dx$$

difference  
from  $\pi$



# Differential Equation Solving

Given a diff. eq. such as wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x) = -k^2 f(x)$$

Can encode as tensor network equation

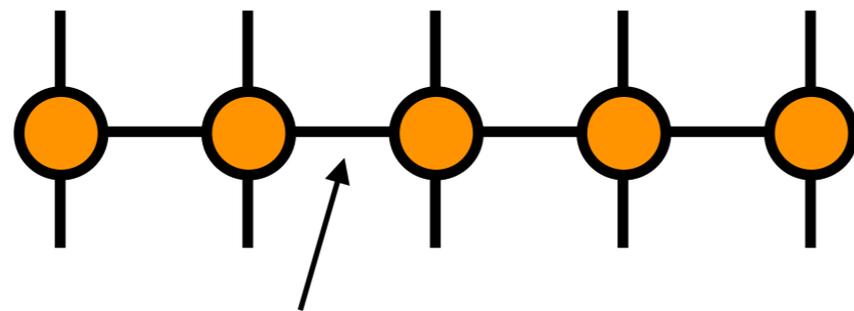
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x) = -k^2 f(x)$$

Use "DMRG-X" algorithm to efficiently find eigenvector

# Differential Equation Solving

Finite-difference formula for  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$

translates into exact expression for  
low-rank *matrix product operator* (MPO)

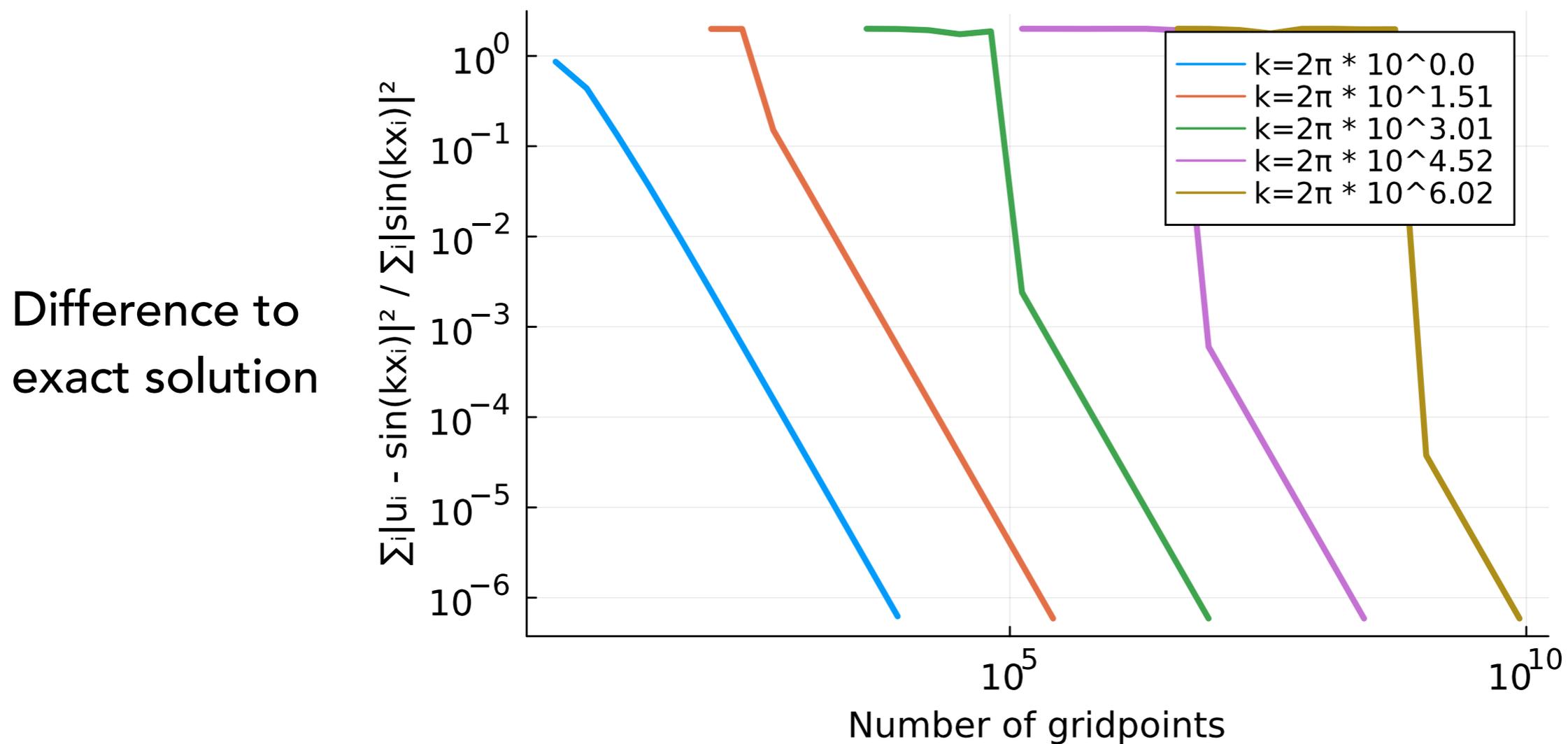


Basically: forward binary adder, backwards binary adder,  
plus constant =  $(x_{j+1} - 2x_j + x_{j-1})/a^2$

# Differential Equation Solving

Solutions to wave equation

Use DMRG-X to solve (eigenvector with specific k)

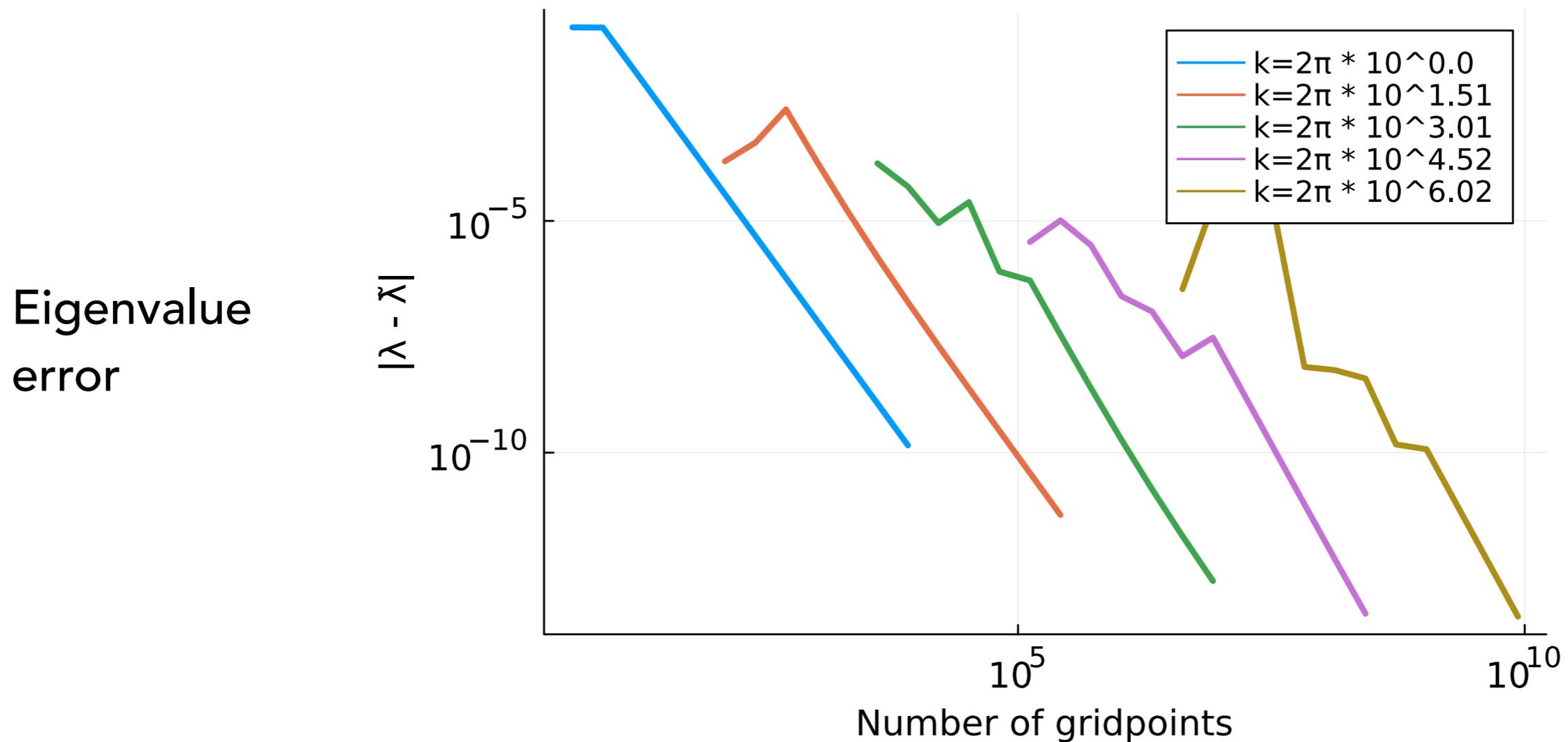


Reach frequency k=10<sup>6</sup> and 10<sup>10</sup> grid points

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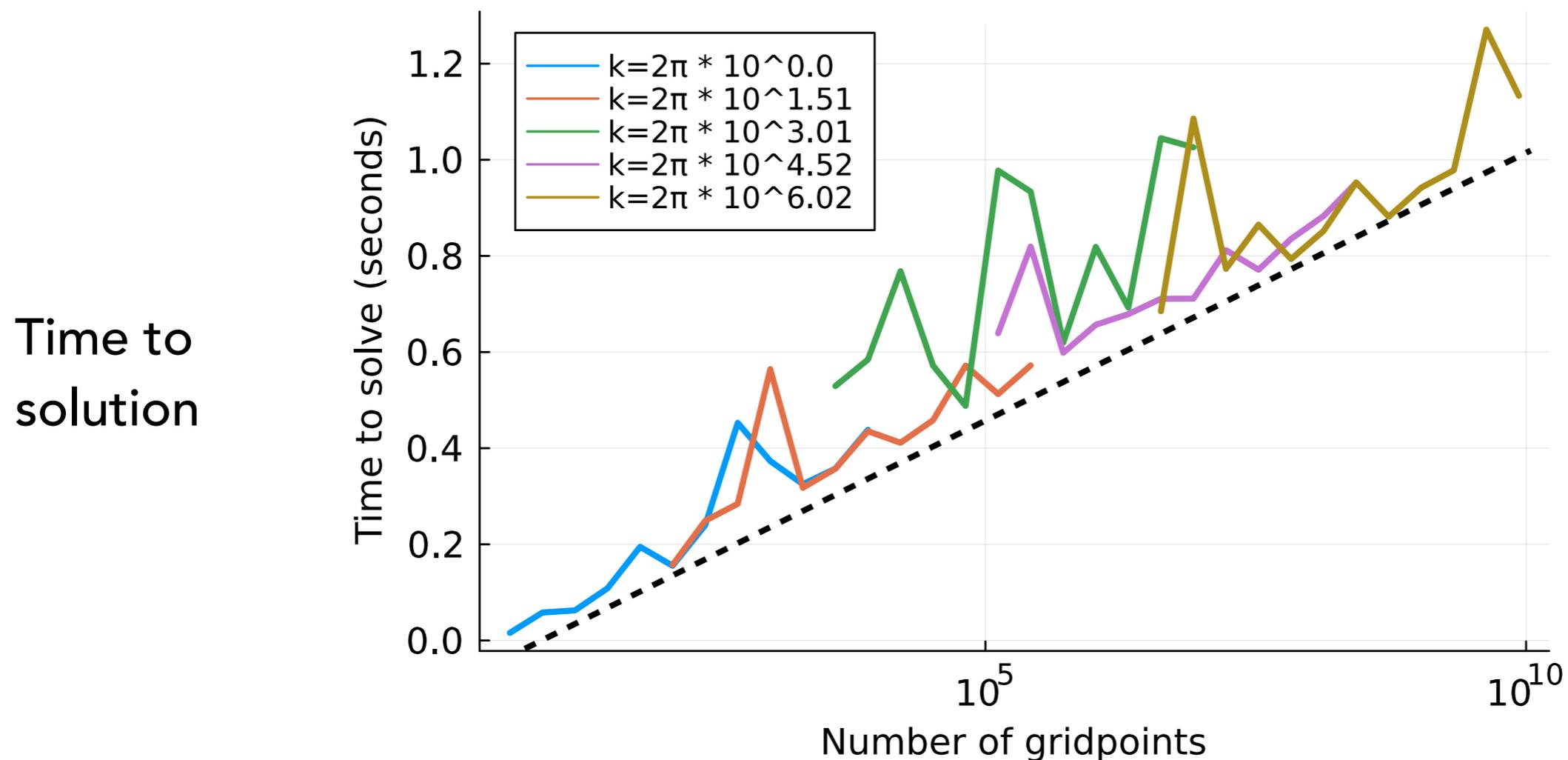


Reach frequency  $k=10^6$  and  $10^{10}$  grid points

# Differential Equation Solving

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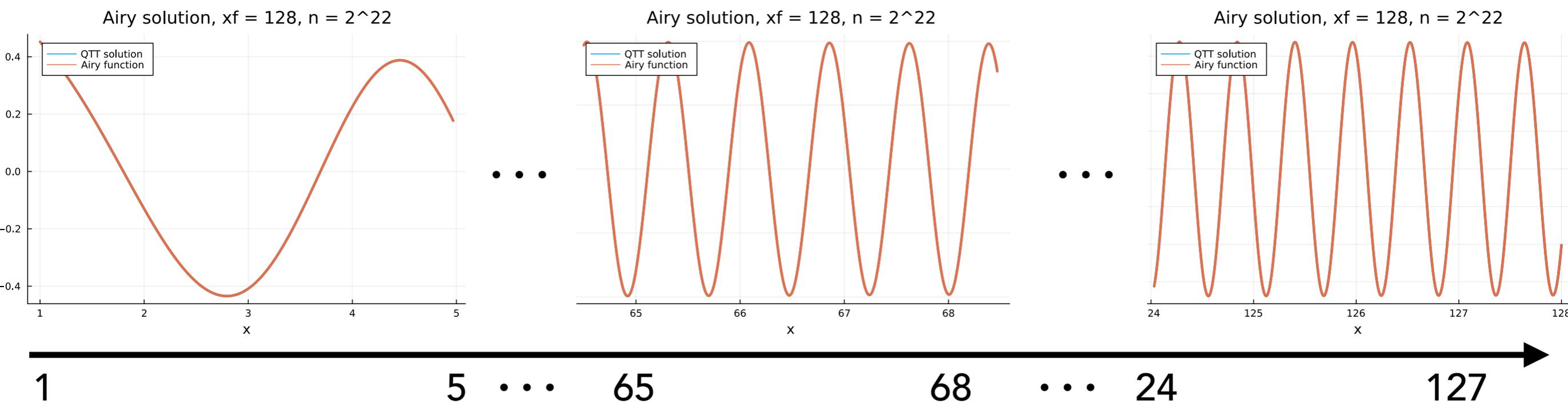
Logarithmic scaling with # grid points

MPS ranks all  $\chi = 2$

# Airy Differential Equation

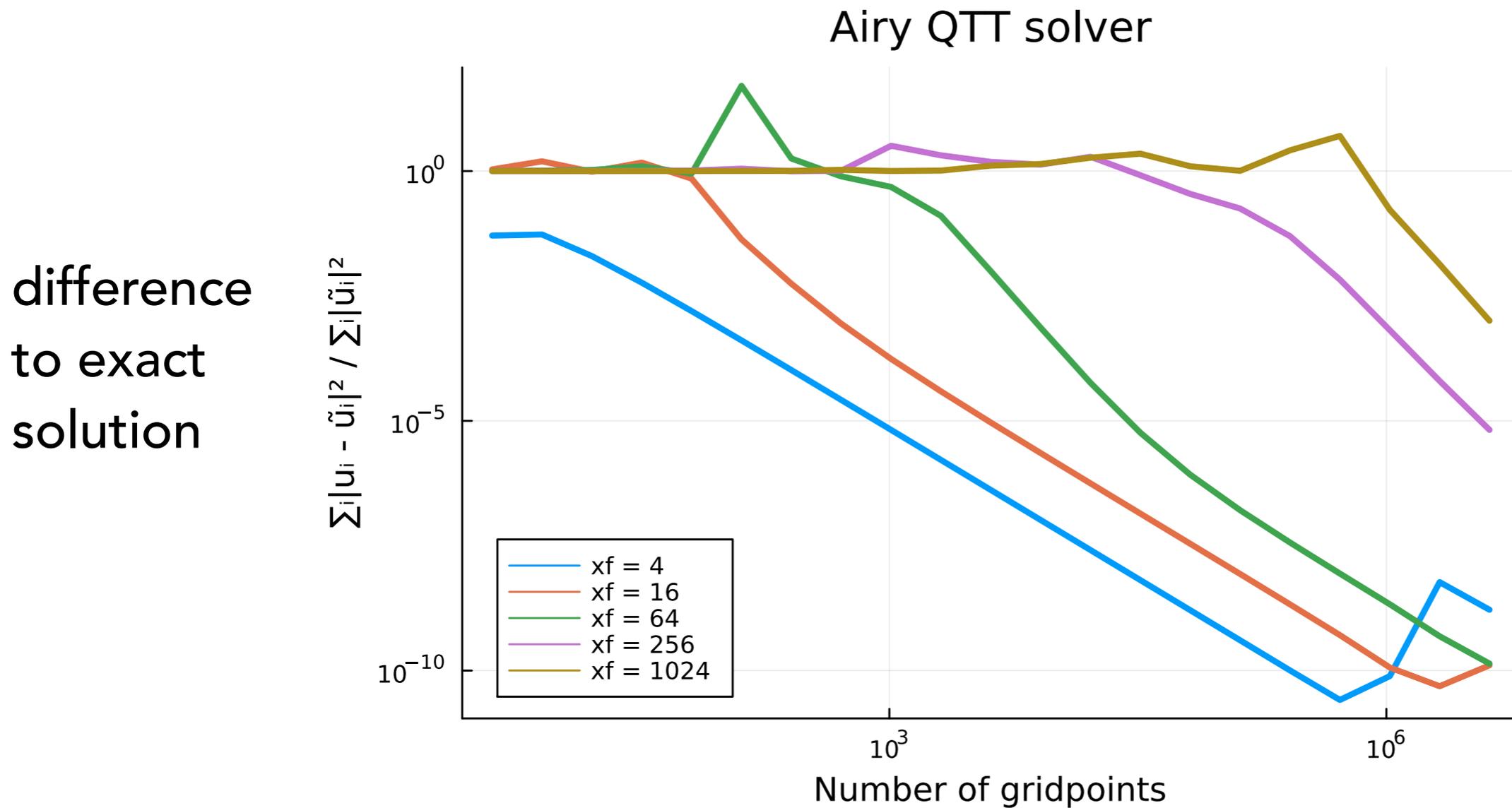
Airy equation solutions are waves with frequency locally equal to position  $x$

$$\frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2} = -x f(x)$$



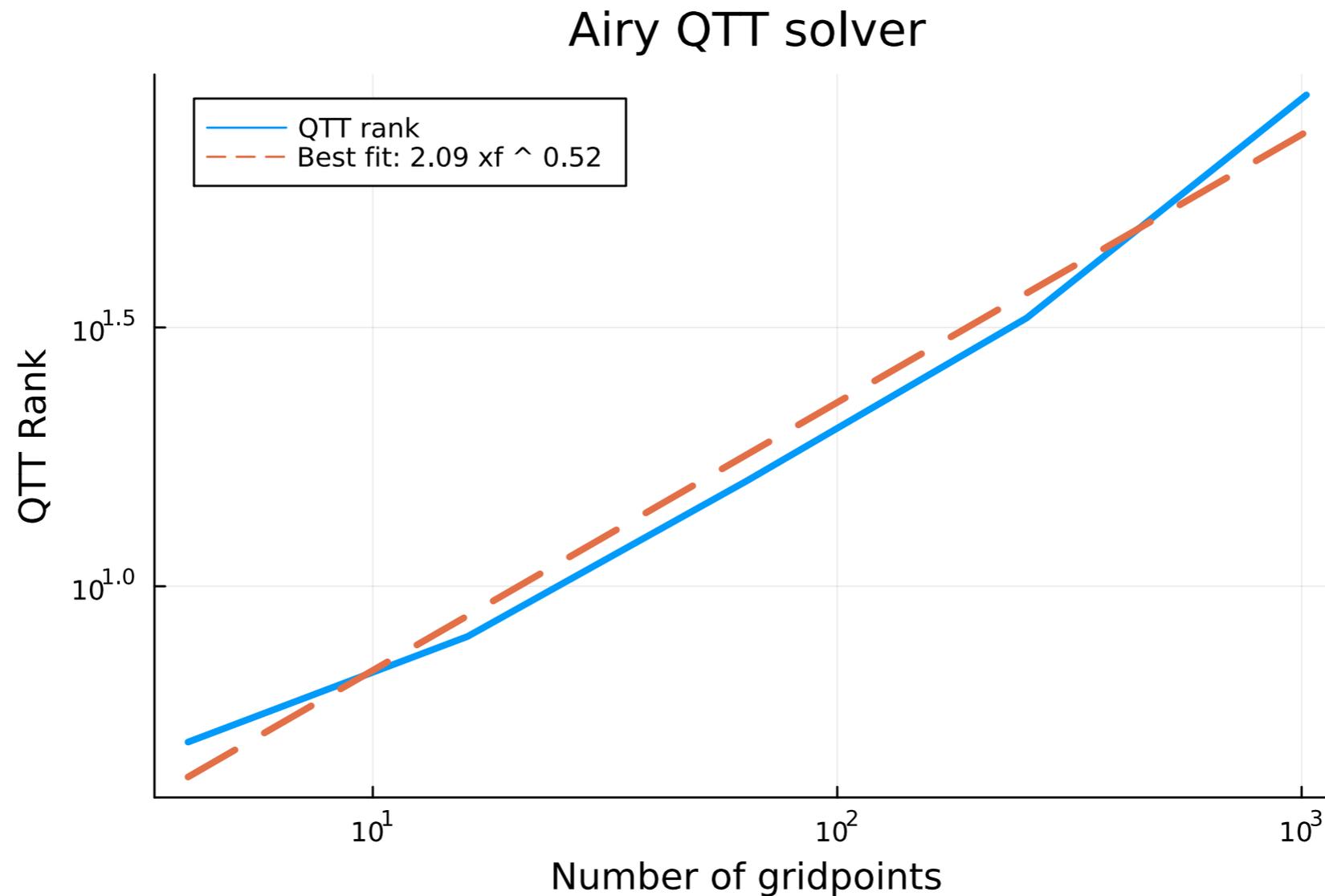
# Airy Differential Equation

Solve as a boundary value problem from  $x_i = 1$  to  $x_f$  using MPS linear solver



# Airy Differential Equation

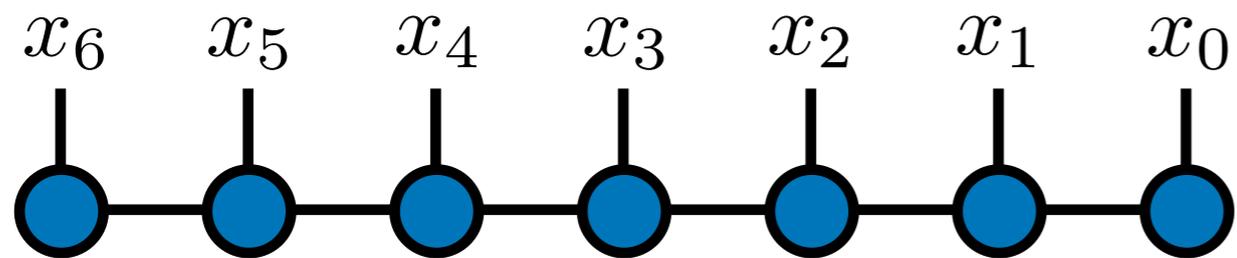
Scaling of ranks with problem size  $x_f$  is  $\chi = (x_f)^{1/2}$



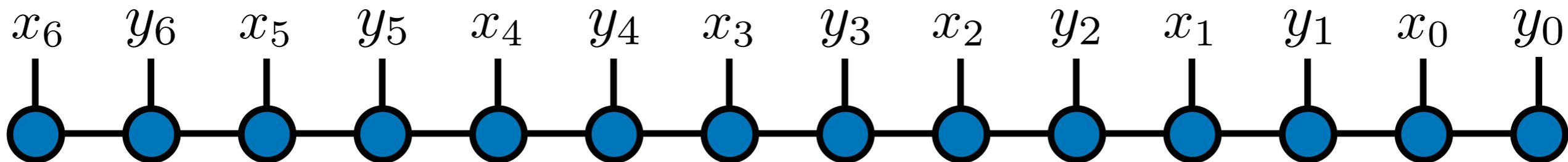
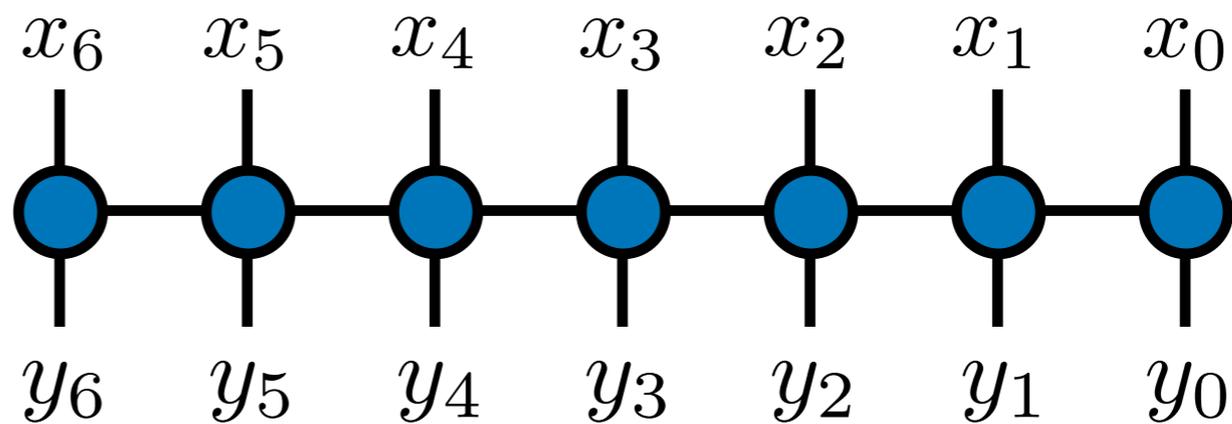
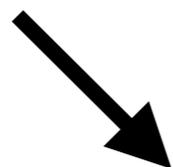
Memory scales as  $\chi^2 = x_f$

Effort scales at most  $\chi^3 = (x_f)^{3/2}$

# Higher-Dimensional Functions



To do two dimensions, just double tensor indices



MPS with  $2N$  indices

# Higher-Dimensional Differential Equations

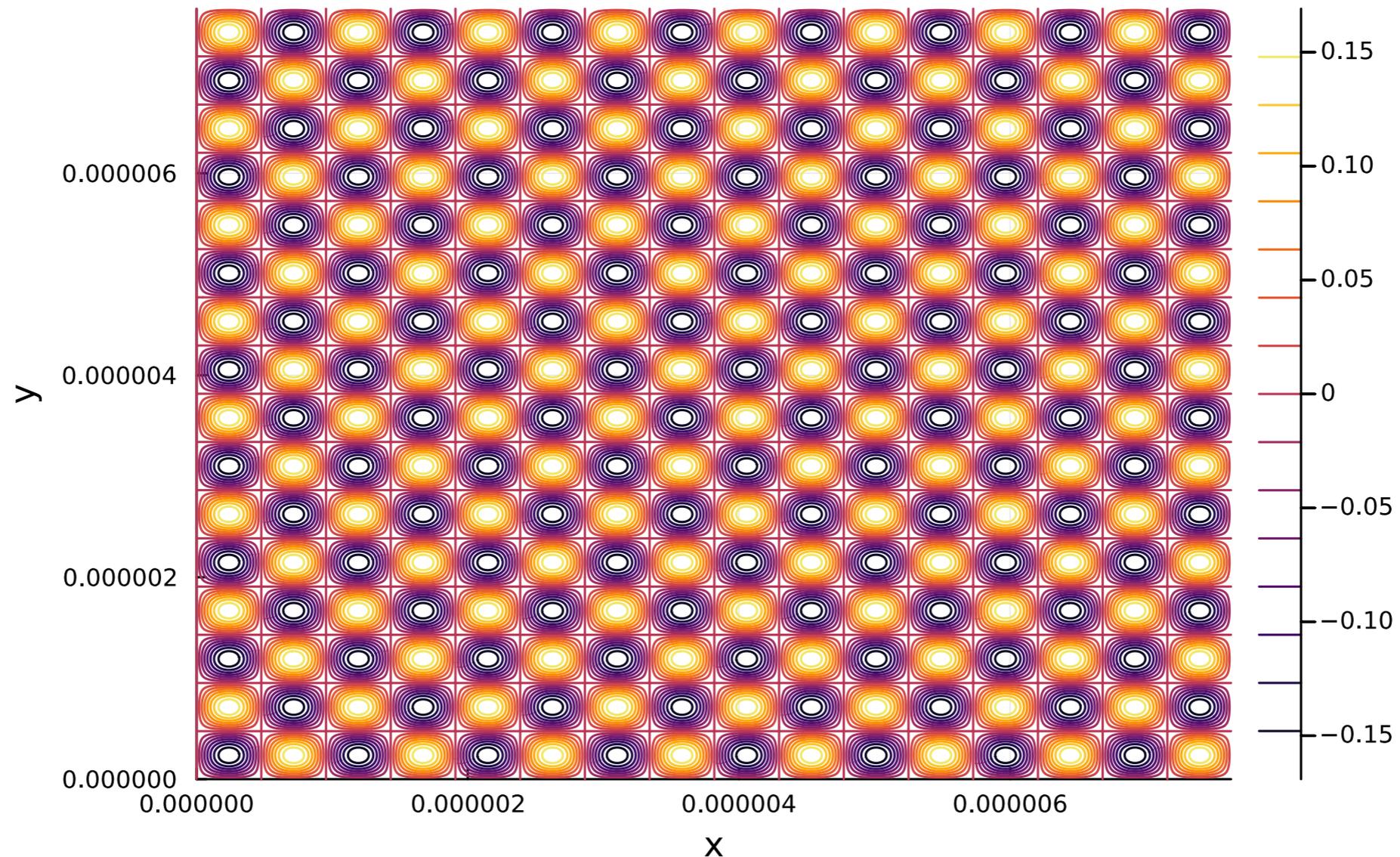
2D Helmholtz equation:  $\nabla^2 f(x, y) = -k^2 f(x, y)$

Example result for 2D Helmholtz

Rank is uniform:  $\chi = 4$

$f(x, y) \propto \sin(k_x x) \sin(k_y y)$

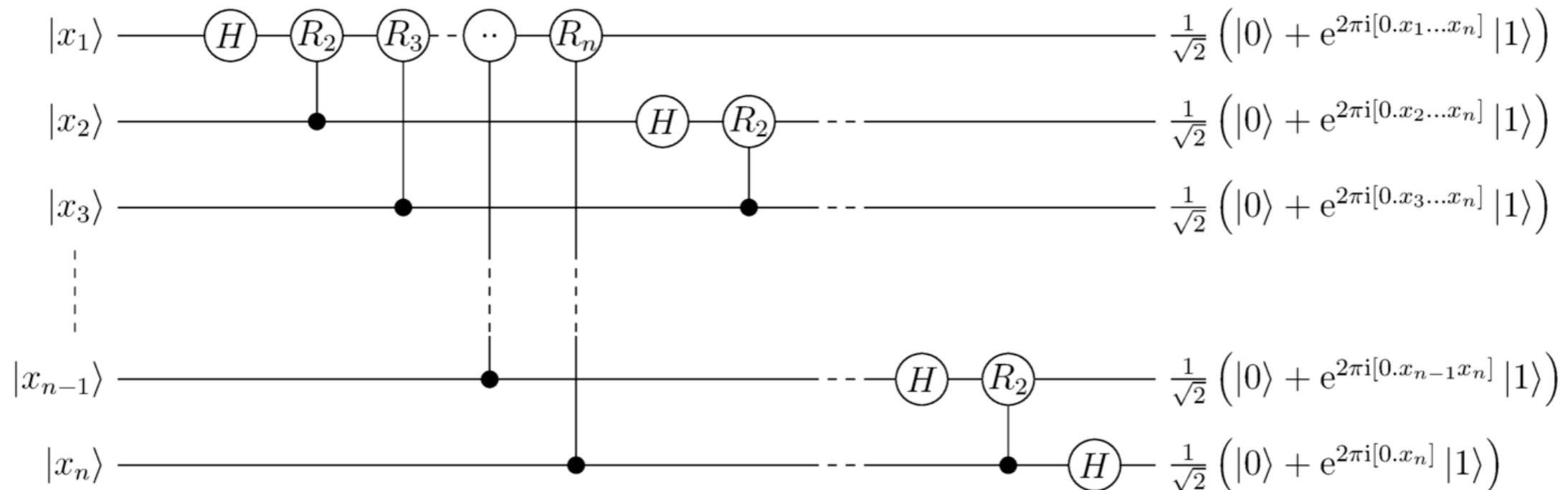
Helmholtz solution,  $k = 2\pi(2^{20}, 2^{20})$ ,  $N = (2^{33}, 2^{33})$



# Function Analysis

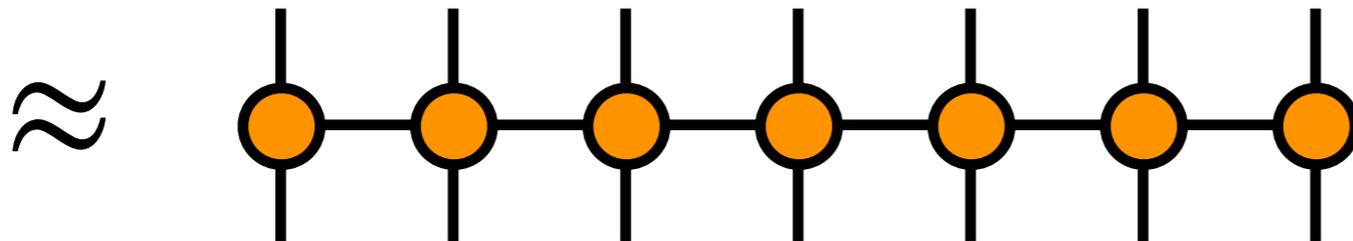
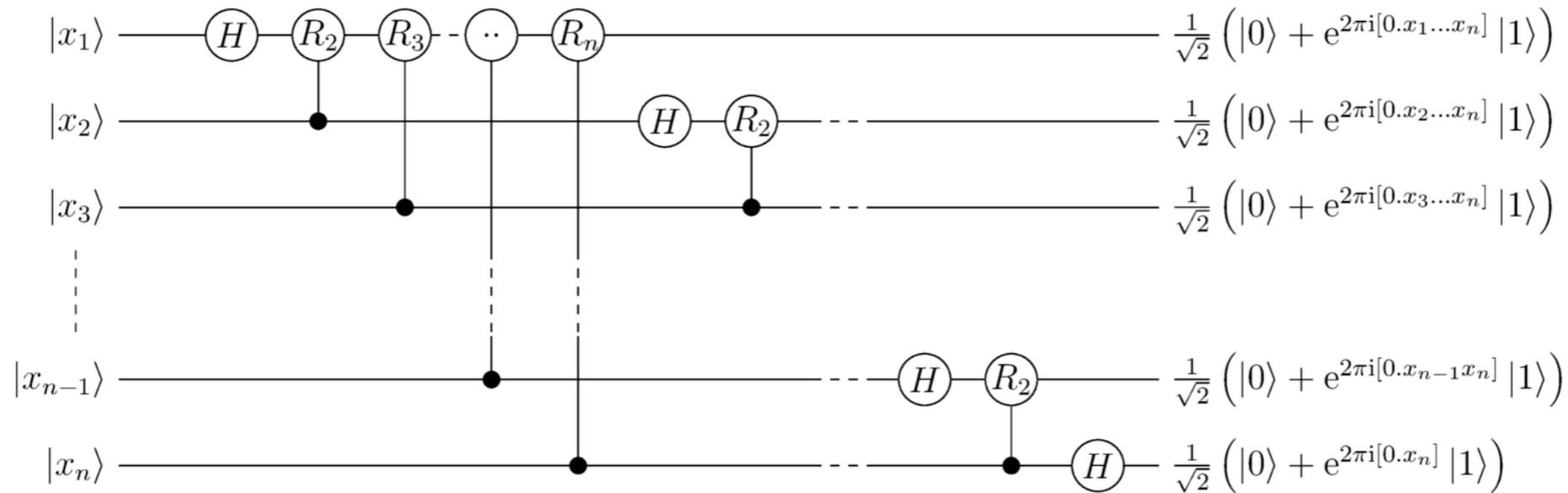
Can analyze solutions without leaving compressed form

How? Quantum computing offers the quantum Fourier transform (QFT) circuit



# Function Analysis

QFT circuit meant for quantum computers

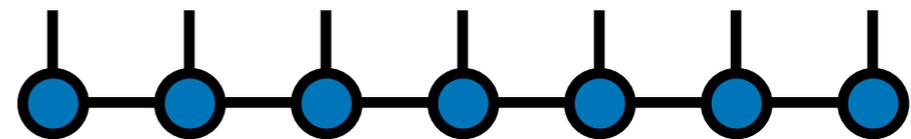
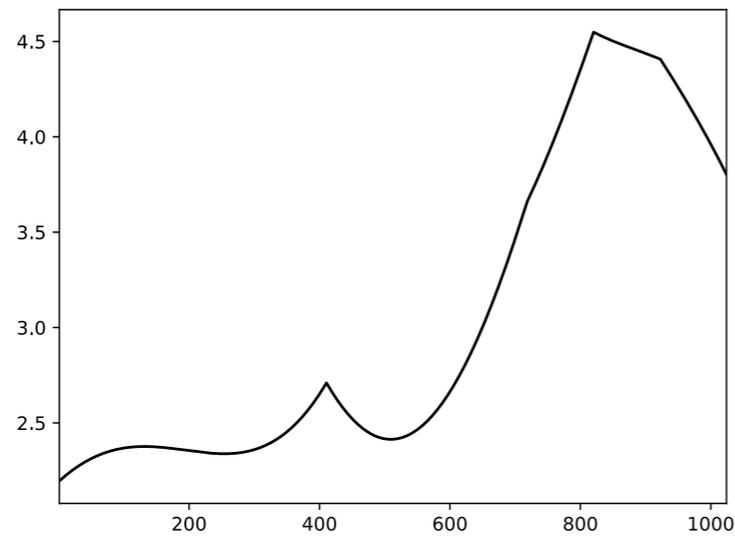


Turns out to be MPO tensor network of rank  $\chi = \underline{\mathbf{8}}$ !  
(Independent of grid size)

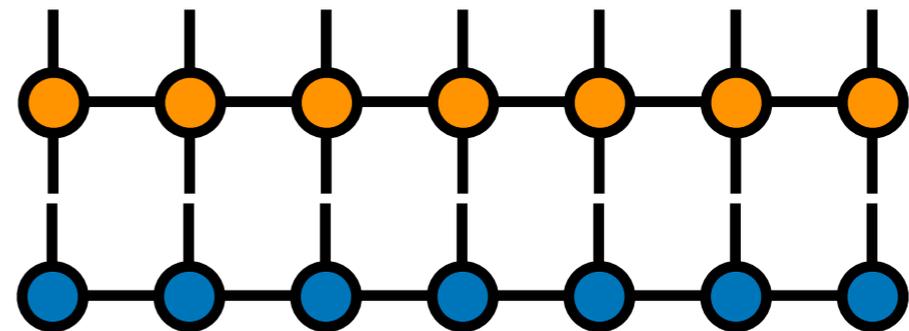
# Function Analysis

Can use to perform "superfast" Fourier transform

*compress  
function*

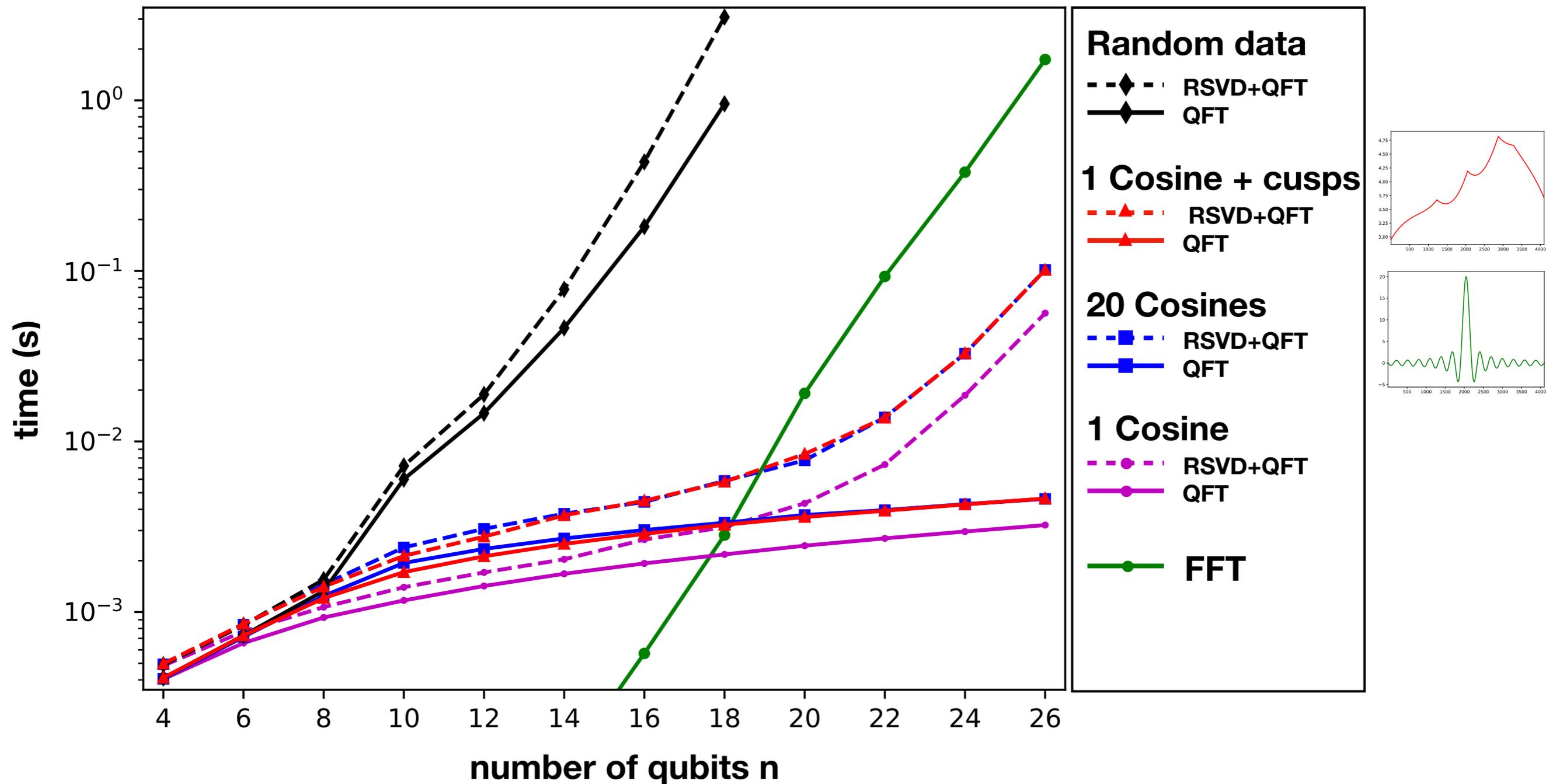


*discrete  
FT using  
QFT*



# Function Analysis

## Performance versus fast Fourier transform (FFT)



# Outlook

Tensor software effort at CCQ not just for quantum problems, but classical too (PDE's, discrete math, etc.)

Tensor network = quantum computer on your laptop

Quickly developing topic – research continuing into:

- more **methods** of compressing functions into MPS (see next talk)
- improving **robustness** & efficiency of solvers
- **high-performance** software
- more general tensor networks **beyond MPS** (e.g. PEPS)