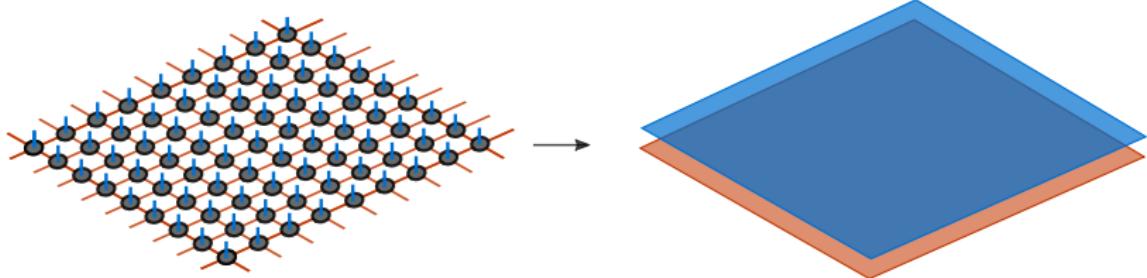


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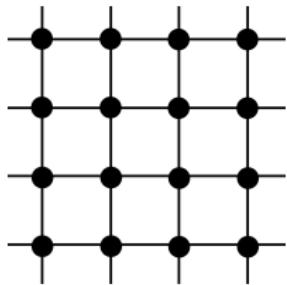


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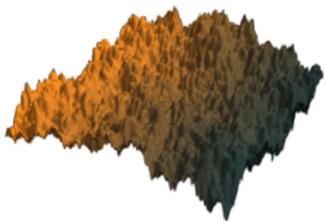


Discrete vs continuum theories



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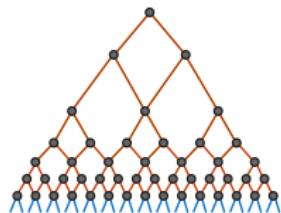
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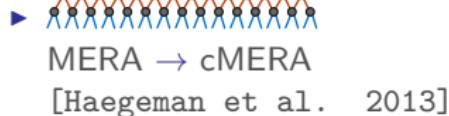
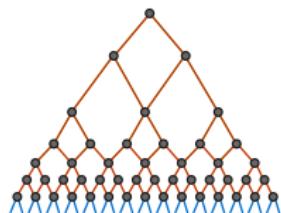
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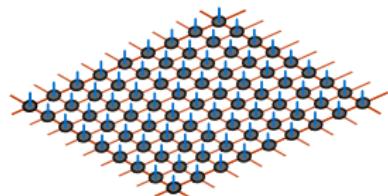
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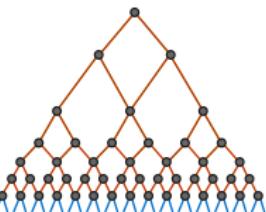
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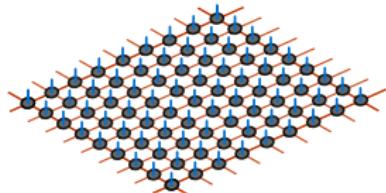
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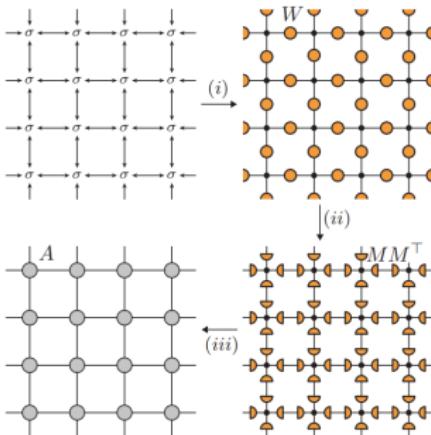
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Tensor networks for partition functions $Z(\beta)$

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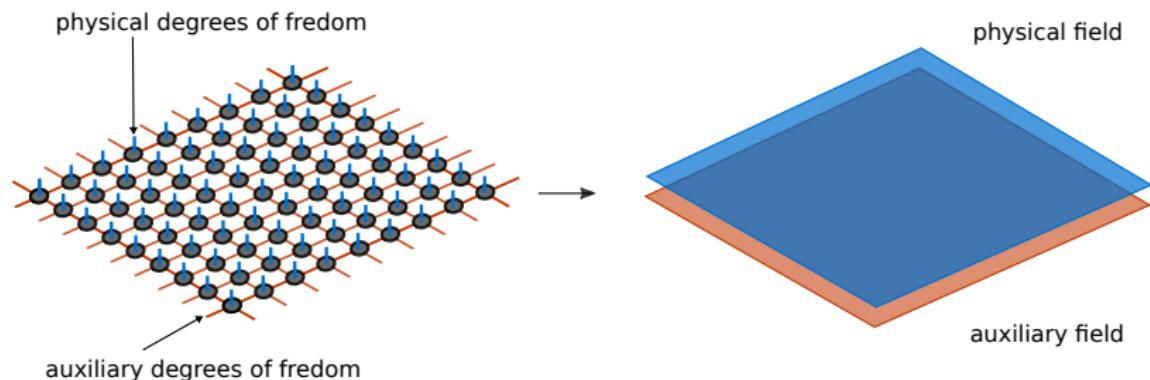
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[Franco-Rubio et al. 2018]

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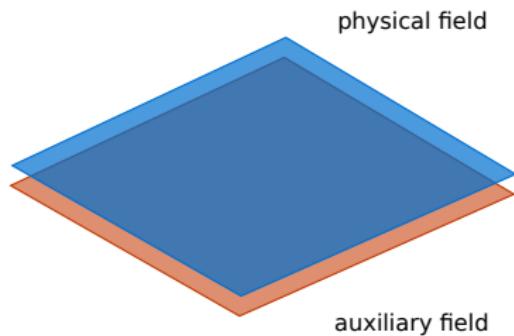
Define a **continuous** tensor network **state** for $d \geq 2$



Objective

Why?

- ▶ Trickiness of $d \geq 2$
- ▶ Computations: the continuum brings new methods (perturbative expansions, saddle point approximations, differential equations)
- ▶ QFT: apply directly to QFT, without discretization
- ▶ Symmetries: Implement Euclidean / Translation invariance exactly
- ▶ Holography: (?) Construct better toy models



Matrix product states

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n = \pm 1} c_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} |i_1, \dots, i_n\rangle$$

Matrix Product States (MPS)

$$|A, L, R\rangle = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n} \langle L | A_{i_1}(1) A_{i_2}(2) \cdots A_{i_n}(n) | R \rangle |i_1, \dots, i_n\rangle$$

- A_i , $i = \pm 1$ are $D \times D$ complex matrices
- A is a $2 \times D \times D$ tensor $[A_i]_{k,l}$
- $|L\rangle$ and $|R\rangle$ are D -vectors.

- ◊ $n \times 2 \times D^2$ parameters instead of 2^n
- ◊ D is the **bond dimension** and encodes the size of the variational class

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Example: computation of correlations

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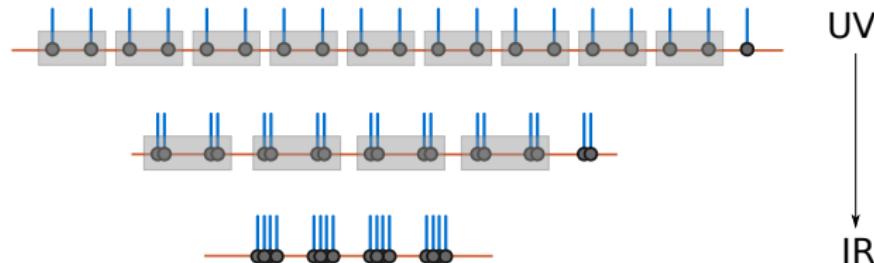
can be done by iteration 2 maps:

$$\Phi = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi_{\mathcal{O}} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

Contraction for a $d = 1$ system \sim open-system dynamics in $d = 0$.

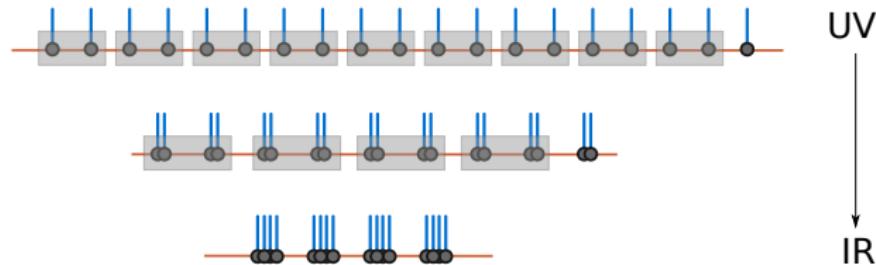
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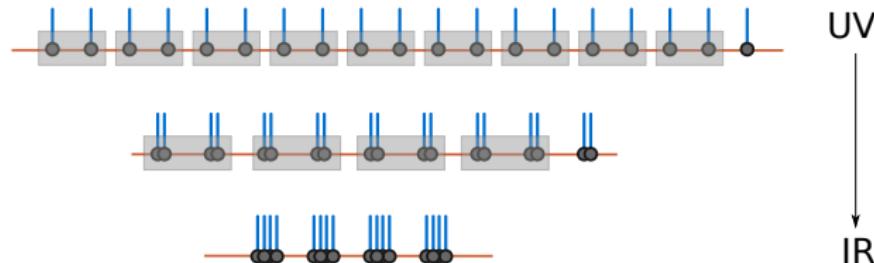
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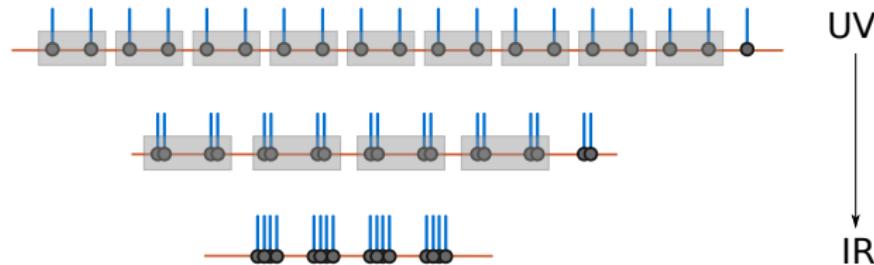
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Informal cMPS definition

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$$A_1 = \varepsilon R$$

$$A_2 = \frac{(\varepsilon R)^2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

...

$$A_n = \frac{(\varepsilon R)^n}{\sqrt{n}}$$

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so we go from ∞ to 2 matrices

Fixed by:

- Finite particle number

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \square & \square & \square & \square & \square & \square \end{array} \propto 1$$

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- Consistency

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Thermodynamic limit

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \mathcal{O}(y) \rangle = \text{tr} (\Phi_{\mathcal{O}} \cdot e^{-(y-x)T} \Phi_{\mathcal{O}} \cdot \rho_{\text{stat}})$$

$$\text{with } T = Q \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes \bar{Q} + R \otimes \bar{R}$$



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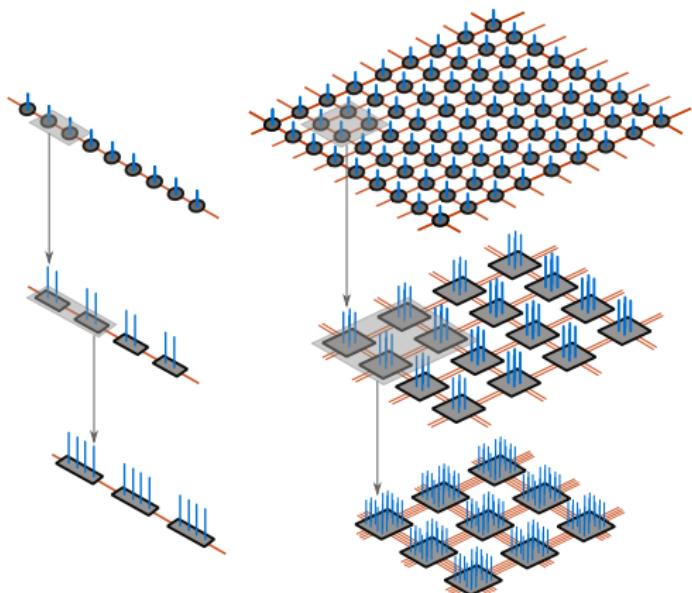
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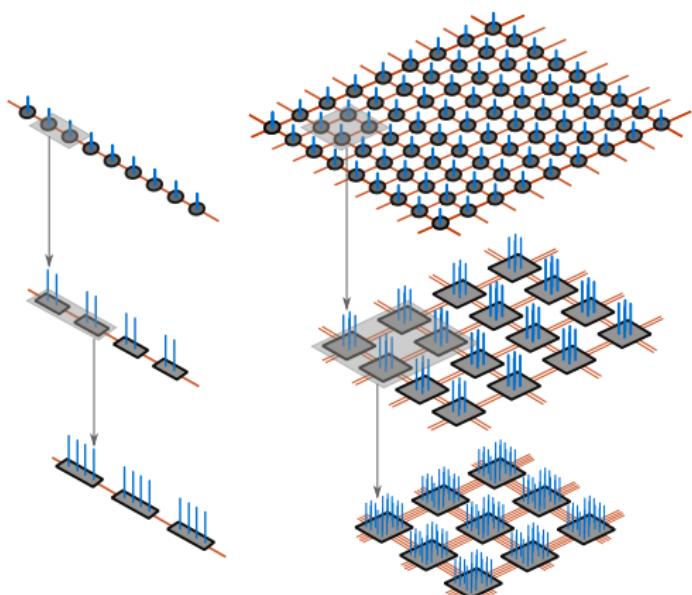
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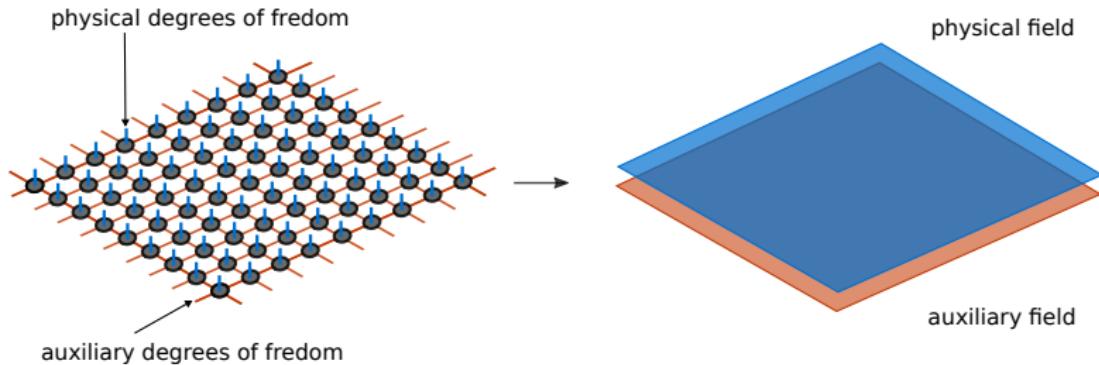
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Upon blocking:

- ♣ The **physical** Hilbert space dimension d increases (idem cMPS \implies physical field)
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Foresighting



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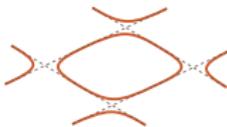
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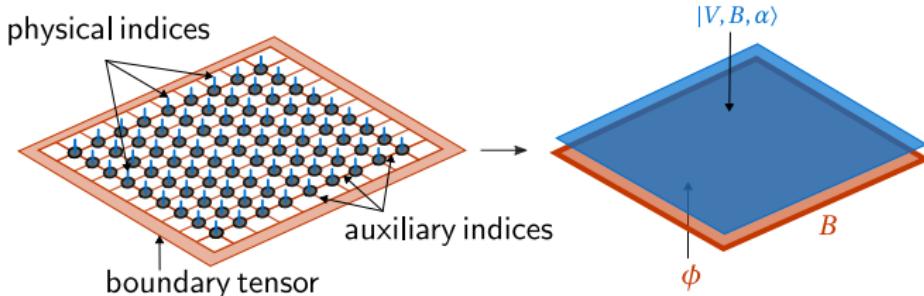
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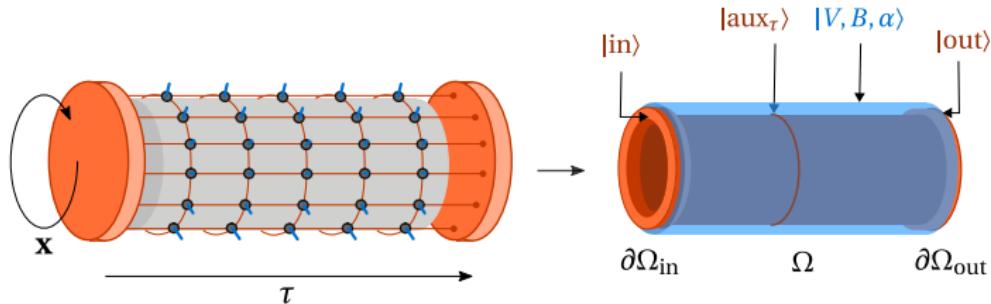


Continuous tensor network state (cTNS)

A cTNS is a state parameterized by 2 functions V , α and a functional B :

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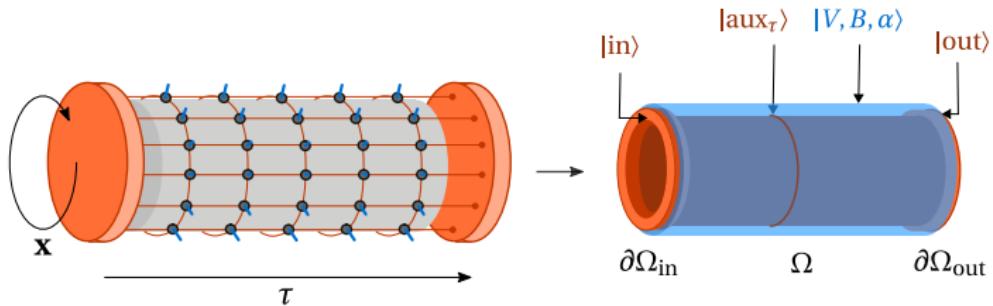
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Physical wave-function correlation function of the auxiliary field:

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♥ Extension of Moore-Read

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► $\alpha[\phi(x)] = \alpha[\hat{\phi}(x)]$ in (imaginary time) interaction representation

Expressivity and stability

How big are cTNS?

Stability

The sum of two cTNS of bond field dimension D_1 and D_2 is a cTNS with bond field dimension $D \leq D_1 + D_2 + 1$:

$$|V_1, \alpha_1\rangle + |V_2, \alpha_2\rangle = |W, \beta\rangle$$

Expressiveness

All states in the Fock space can be approximated by cTNS:

- ▶ A field coherent state is a cTNS with $D = 0$
- ▶ Stability allows to get all sums of field coherent states

Note: expressiveness can also be obtained with $D = 1$. Flexibility in D makes the expressivity higher for V and α fixed degree.

Computations

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Gaussian cTNS

If:

$$V(\phi) = V^{(0)} + V_k^{(1)} \phi_k + V_{k\ell}^{(2)} \phi_k \phi_\ell \\ \alpha(\phi) = \alpha^{(0)} + \alpha_k^{(1)} \phi_k$$

then $|V, \alpha, B\rangle$ is a Gaussian state

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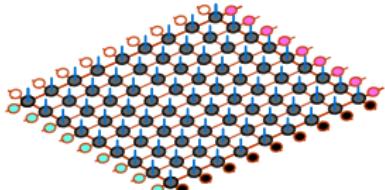
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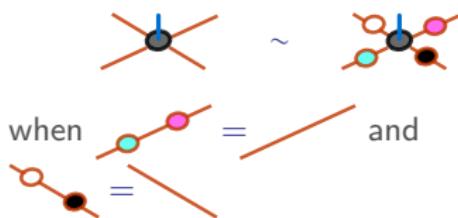
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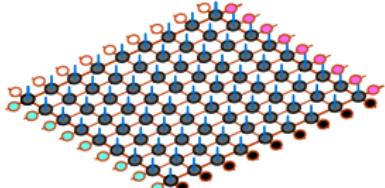
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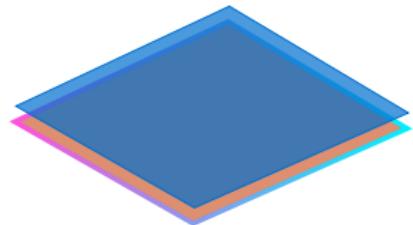


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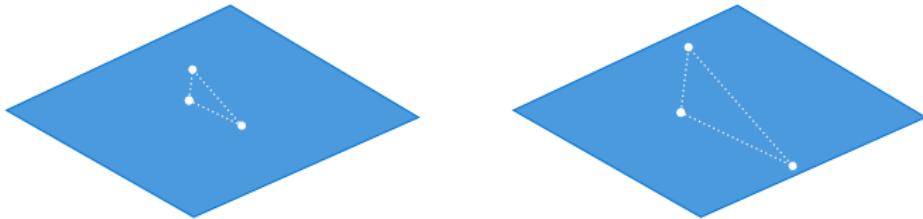
$$V(\phi) \rightarrow V(\phi) + \nabla \cdot \mathcal{F}[x, \phi(x)]$$

Just Stokes' theorem. If Ω has a boundary $\partial\Omega$:

$$\mathcal{D}[\phi] \exp \left\{ \int_{\partial\Omega} d^{d-1}x \mathcal{F}[x, \phi(x)] \cdot \mathbf{n}(x) \right\}$$



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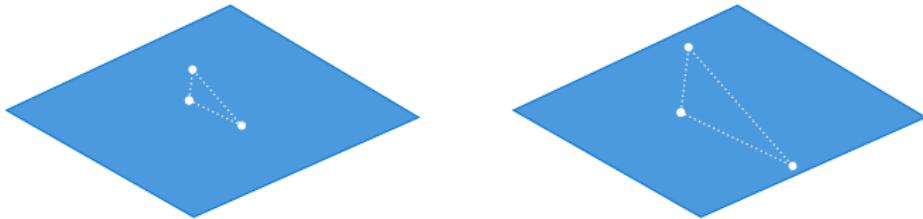


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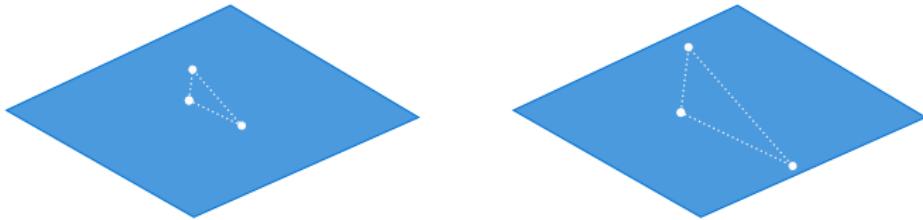
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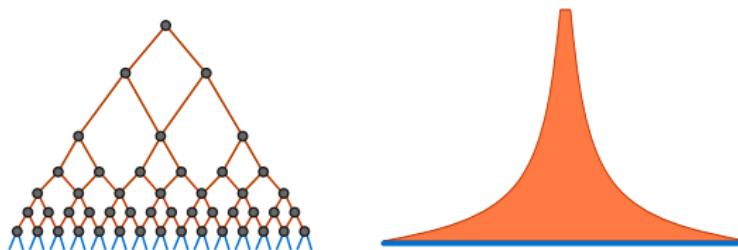
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Example: $\alpha[x, \phi, \nabla \phi]$ localized on the boundary and hyperbolic metric g :



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