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Overview Decomposability

#### **Our Results**

#### **RESULT 1:** making use of the **DECOMPOSABILITY** of **H**.

## • Time and Space -efficient algorithms when $\mathbf{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} H_i^1 \otimes H_i^2$ with small M.

 Applied in *quantum computational complexity*, we prove QMA(2)[poly(n),O(log(n))]⊆ PSPACE

#### **RESULT 2:** making use of the **EIGENSPACE** of **H**.

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#### **Question And Answer**

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