

# Uncertainty Relations and Applications for the Schrödinger and Heat conduction equation

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## Uncertainty Principles in Fourier Analysis

Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  have well-defined Fourier transform  $\hat{f} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\hat{f} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad \hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2\pi i x \xi} dx$$

Decay properties of  $f \implies$  smoothness properties of  $\hat{f}$ :

If $f$ is	then $\hat{f}$ is
Square integrable	square integrable ( <i>Plancherel's Theorem</i> ).
Absolutely integrable	continuous ( <i>Riemann-Lebesgue lemma</i> ).
Rapidly decreasing	smooth ( <i>Theory of Schwartz functions</i> ).
Exponentially decaying	analytic in a strip.
Compactly supported	entire and at most exponential growth ( <i>Paley-Wiener theorem</i> ).

The last two relations can be seen as manifestations of the *Uncertainty Principle*:

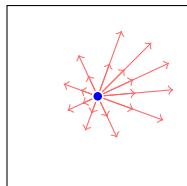
$f$  strongly localized in space  $\implies \hat{f}$  widely dispersed in space,

i.e.  $f$  and  $\hat{f}$  cannot both decay too strongly at infinity unless  $f = 0$ .

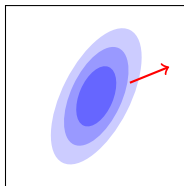
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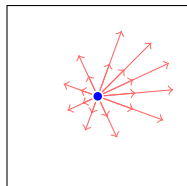
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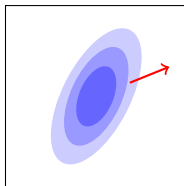
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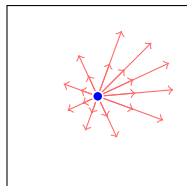
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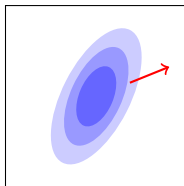
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### Theorem (Hardy's Uncertainty Principle)

Let  $|f(x)| \leq C e^{-\pi ax^2}$  and  $|\hat{f}(\xi)| \leq C e^{-\pi \xi^2/a}$ . Then  $f(x)$  is a scalar multiple  $e^{-\pi ax^2}$ .

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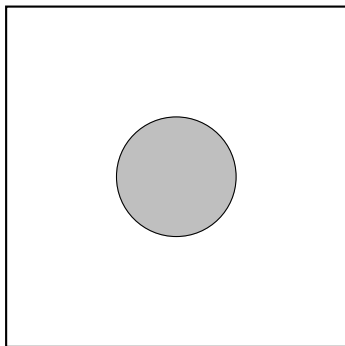
## We have seen different manifestations of Uncertainty Principle

- ▶ Lower bound on variance of (quantum mechanical particle) density.
- ▶ Lower bound tail decay of density.
- ▶ Lower bound on measure of supports of  $f$  and  $\hat{f}$ : At least one of infinite measure.

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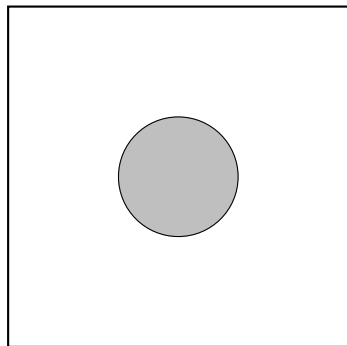
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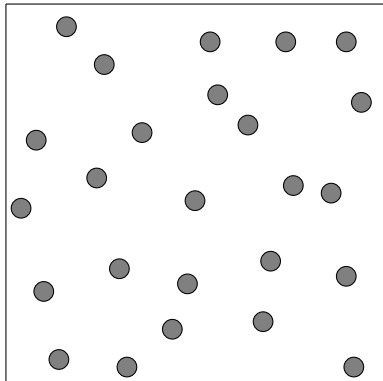
Normalize  $\|\psi\|_{L^2(\Lambda_1)} = 1$ :

Control of vanishing order in  $L^2$ -sense/ quantitative unique continuation principle.

Actually, this is a simple case of a more powerful theorem, which we will present next.

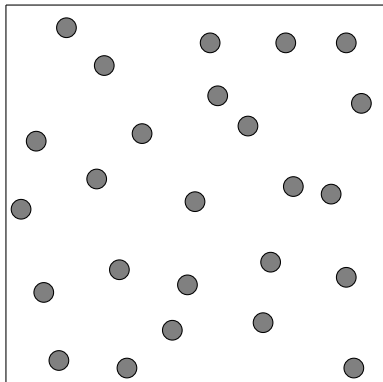
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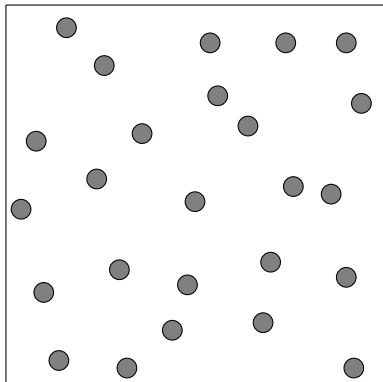
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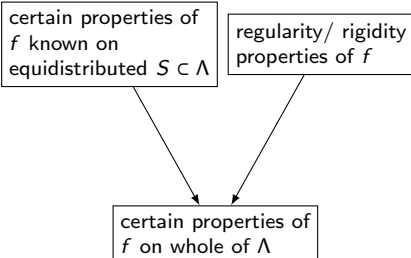
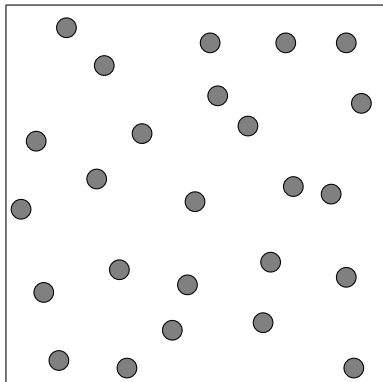
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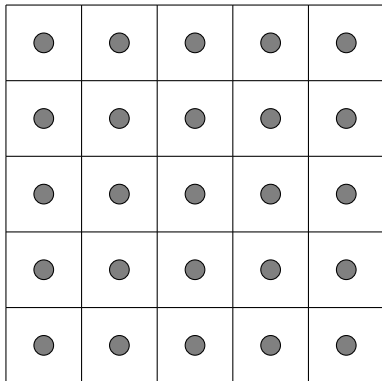
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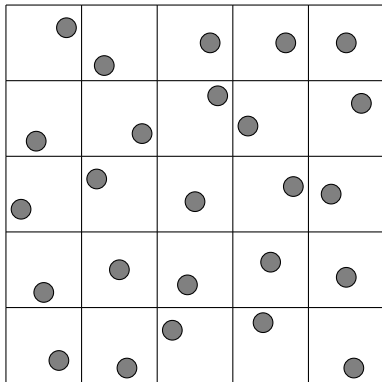
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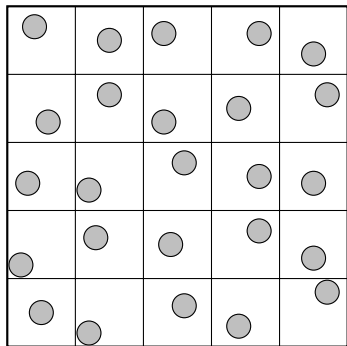
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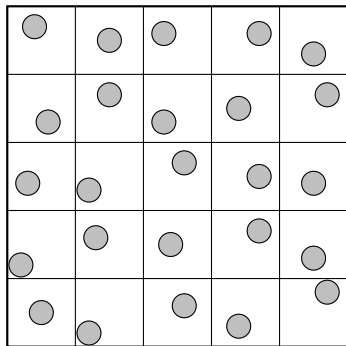
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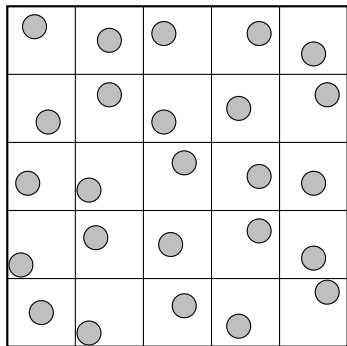
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- ▶ depends on  $V$  only through  $\|V\|_\infty$  (on exponential scale)
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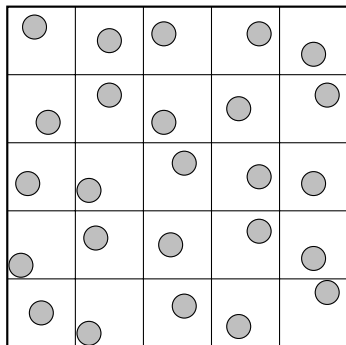
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Theorem [Klein 13]

True for sufficiently small  $\gamma = b - a$ , depending on  $K, \delta$ .

Sufficient for many questions in spectral theory of random Schrödinger operators.

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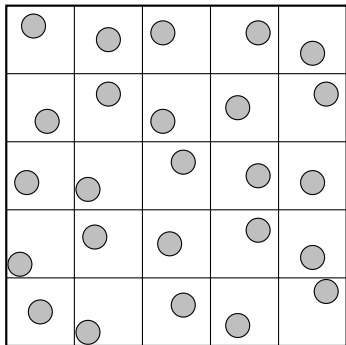
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for any  $\psi = \sum_{E_k \leq E} \alpha_k \psi_k \in \text{ran } \chi_{(-\infty, E]}(H_L^t)$  where

$$C_{\text{sfuc}}^{G,t} = C_{\text{sfuc}}^{G,t}(d, \delta, E, \|V\|_\infty) := \left(\frac{\delta}{G}\right)^{\kappa(1+G^{4/3}\|V\|_\infty^{2/3}/t^{2/3}+G\sqrt{E/t})}.$$

## Application to lifting of eigenvalues

### Recall

Let  $G, t > 0$ ,  $\delta \in (0, 1/2)$ ,  $Z = (x_j)_{j \in (GZ)^d} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , s.t

$$B(x_j, \delta) \subset \Lambda_G + j = [-G/2, G/2]^d + j$$

$$S(\delta) = B(Z, \delta) = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} B(x_j, \delta)$$

Let  $L \in G\mathbb{N}$ ,  $S_L(\delta) = \Lambda_L \cap S(\delta)$ , and  $W_L = \chi_{S_L(\delta)}$ ,

$$V \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{R})$$

Schrödinger operator  $H_L^t = -t\Delta + V$  on  $\Lambda_L$ ,  $L \in \mathbb{N}$ , with Dirichlet, Neumann, or periodic b.c.

### Lifting lemma [NTTV]

Let  $G, t, \delta, Z, L, S_L(\delta), V, H_L^t, E$  as above. Let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $U_L \geq \alpha W_L = \alpha \chi_{S_L(\delta)}$ . Then

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for all eigenvalues (counted in increasing order, with multiplicities) satisfying  $\lambda_i(-H_L^t + B_L) \leq E$ .

## Equidistribution property of eigenfunctions

Context in the spectral theory of random Schrödinger operators

### Physical intuition of Anderson phase transition

**localized** energy regime

no propagation of wave packets

Poissonian behaviour of rescaled eigenvalues

**exponential/fast decay of eigenfunctions**

**delocalized** energy regime

propagation of wave packets

level repulsion

**spread out eigensolutions**

Our theorem about equidistribution of (linear combinations of) eigenfunctions is **not** related to delocalization of eigensolutions, but an universal a-priori bound.

Interestingly, it is often used to when proving localization of eigenfunctions, which might seem paradoxical at first sight.

The relevance of the scale free unique continuation principle is illustrated by the fact that it has been studied before in numerous papers for particular situations.

## Previously results for particular settings

vanishing potential $V \equiv 0$ low energies $0 < E \ll 1$ individual eigenfunctions periodic set $Z$	Kirsch 96: Brownian m. hitting probabilities Bourgain, Kenig 05: spatial averaging
as above, but non-periodic $Z$ similar, implicit results	Germinet 08: spatial averaging Boutet de Monvel, Naboko, Stollmann, Stolz
periodic $V$ energies at spectral edges individual eigenfunctions periodic set $Z$	Kirsch, Stollmann, Stolz 98 Combes, Hislop, Nakamura 01
eigenvalue lifting implies uncertainty relation at low energies	Boutet de Monvel, Lenz, Stollmann 11
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our setting but for individual eigenfunctions extension for spectral projection of short energy intervals	Rojas-Molina, Veselic 13 Klein 13

Extension to magnetic Schrödinger operators: Efficient bounds only for **bounded** vector potentials.

## Various names for such results

- ▶ scale free unique continuation principle:  
quantitative version of unique continuation principle, uniform on all large scales
- ▶ uncertainty relation:  
condition  $\psi \in \text{ran } \chi_{(-\infty, E]}(H_L)$  in momentum/Fourier-space enforces delocalization/flatness in direct space
- ▶ gain of positive definiteness:  
selfadjoint operator  $W \geq 0$  has kernel  
for spectral projector  $P$  of Hamiltonian:  
restriction  $P W P \geq c P$  is strictly positive
- ▶ in control theory: observability estimate or spectral inequality

## Indirect relation to

- ▶ quantum ergodicity:  
equidistribution property of (properly chosen combinations of) eigenfunctions:  
comparison of measure  $|\psi(x)|^2 dx$  with uniform distribution  
Our result: worst case scenario for arbitrarily chosen linear combinations of eigenfunctions
- ▶ uniform uncertainty principle or restricted isometry property in compressed sensing and sparse recovery



## Application to control theory of our scale free observability estimate

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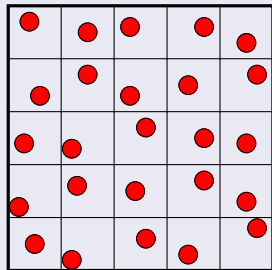
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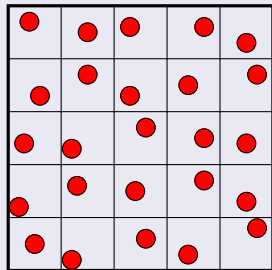
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$\Rightarrow$  scale-free null-controlability  
( $C(T)$  is  $L$ -independent)

$\Rightarrow$  explicit  $\delta$ -dependence

## Variable coefficient 2nd order partial differential operator

### Class considered

Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  be the differential expression for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

$$\mathcal{L}u := - \sum_{i,j=1}^d \partial_i (a^{ij} \partial_j u)$$

satisfying

▶ symmetry condition  $a^{ij}(x) = a^{ji}(x)$  for all  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$

▶ ellipticity condition  $\theta^{-1} |\xi|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^d a^{ij}(x) \xi_i \xi_j \leq \theta |\xi|^2$

▶ Lipschitz condition  $\sum_{i,j=1}^d |a^{ij}(x) - a^{ij}(y)| \leq t |x - y|$

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Assume that

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Then for all measurable and bounded  $V : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , all  $\psi \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  satisfying  $|\mathcal{L}\psi| \leq |V\psi|$  almost everywhere on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , all  $\delta \in (0, 1/2)$  and all  $(1, \delta)$ -equidistributed sequences we have

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## Carleman estimates

- ▶ allow to deduce ucp (after some calculations)
- ▶ whole zoo of Carleman estimates exists
- ▶ many with abstract weight functions  
(satisfying Hörmanders subellipticity condition)
- ▶ we want explicit estimate, thus explicit weight function

We start with a formulation of [Bourgain, Kenig 05] since this has given crucial stimulus to the theory of random Schrödinger operators.



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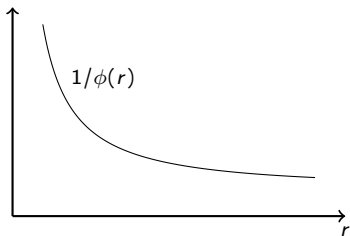
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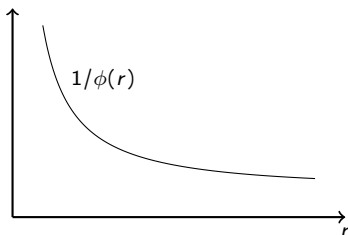
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Possible to scale the inequality to a ball of radius  $\rho$  and extend to Sobolev space  $H^2$ .

## Consequences/Applications of Carleman estimates

### Theorem [Bourgain & Klein 13]

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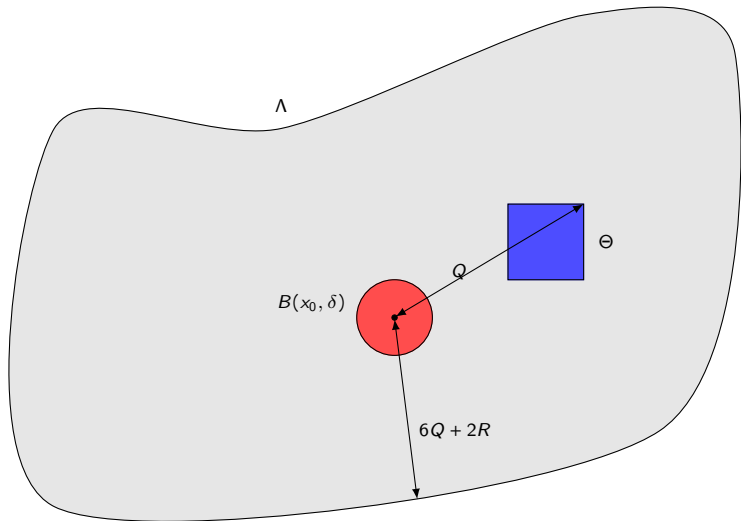
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Analogous results in [Germinet & Klein 13], [Rojas-Molina & Veselić 13]

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To bound quotient of two local  $L^2$ -norms

we need info on another such quotient!

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$$\frac{\|\psi\|_{L^2(\Lambda)}}{\|\psi\|_{L^2(\Theta)}}$$

If an estimate on the latter is not provided a-priori, one might wonder, whether one is running in a vicious circle or an induction without induction anchor.

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Uses

Lemma (A reverse Markov inequality)

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Actually, dominating and weak boxes are defined in terms of an intermediate scale  $1 \leq T = T(d) \ll L$ .

# Consequences/Applications of Carleman estimates: Three annuli inequality

Insert

$\chi \times \psi = \text{cut-off} \times \text{eigenfunction}$

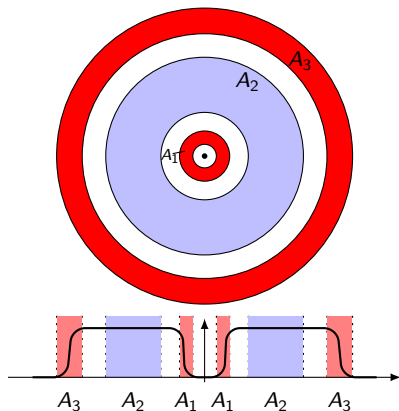
in Carleman inequality

(e.g. [Bourgain, Kenig 05])

to get three annuli inequality

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profile of cut-off function  $\chi$

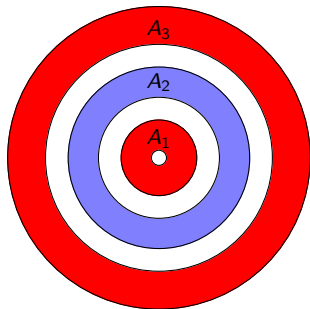


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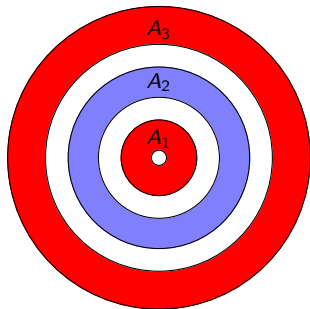
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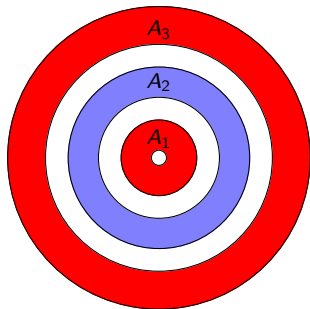
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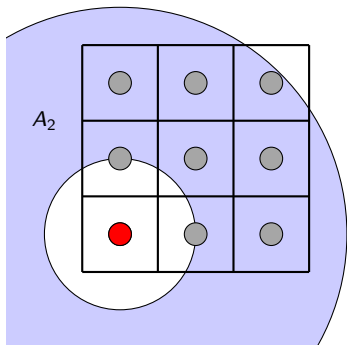
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Apply this to the translated sets  $A_i + x_j$  and sum up!

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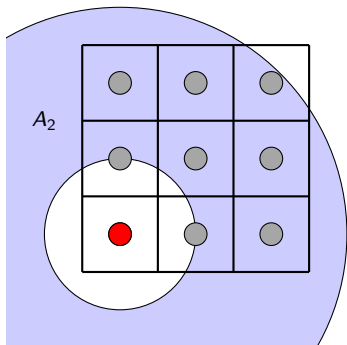
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$K_d$  combinatorial factor

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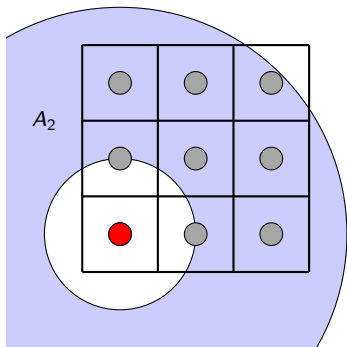
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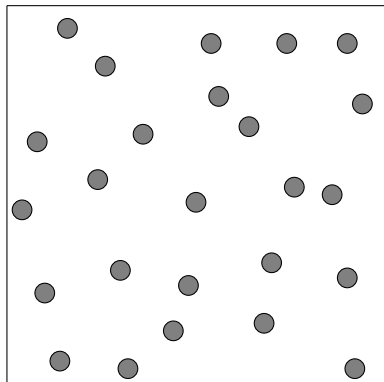
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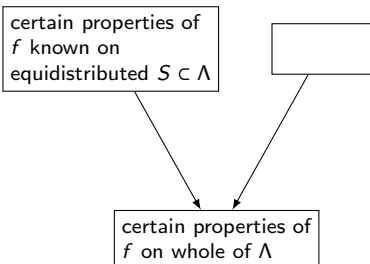
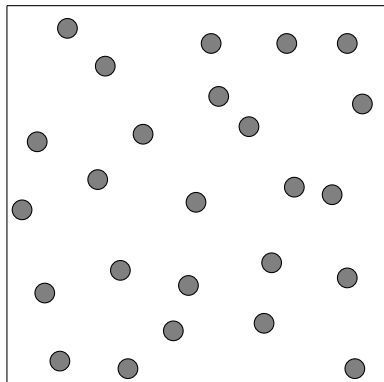


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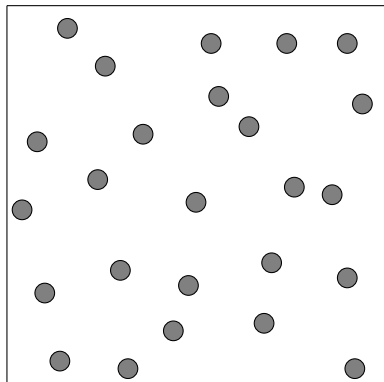


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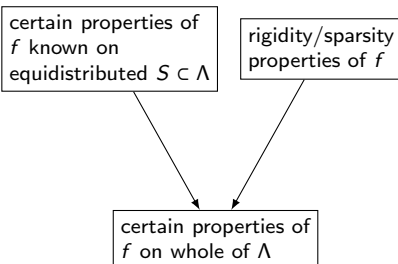
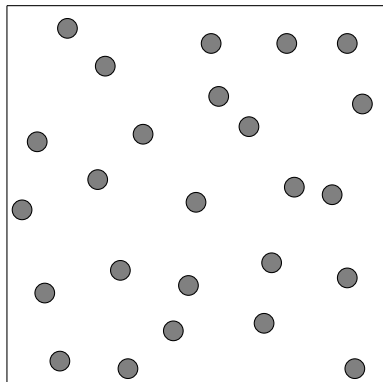
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## Lemma [Candes, Romberg, Tao '06]

Let  $D, m, s$  and  $B$  be as above with  $1 - \delta_s > 0$ . Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^D$  with  $\#\text{supp } x \leq s$  and  $f := Bx$ . Then the unique minimizer of

$$(P_0) \quad \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^D; By=f} \#\text{supp } y$$

equals  $x$ .

Program  $(P_0)$  has high complexity and needs to be replaced by a convex program.



# Uniform Uncertainty Principles and restricted isometry constants

## Theorem [Candes, Romberg, Tao '06]

Let  $D, m, s \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\epsilon \geq 0$ , and  $B: \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $\delta_{3s} + 3\delta_{4s} < 2$ . Assume that  $x \in \mathbb{R}^D$  and  $e \in \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfy  $\#\text{supp } x \leq s$  and  $\|e\|_2 \leq \epsilon$ . Set  $f := Bx + e$ . Then the solution  $\xi$  of the convex optimization problem

$$(P_2) \quad \min_{y \in \mathbb{C}^D; \|By - f\|_2 \leq \epsilon} \|y\|_1$$

obeys

$$\|\xi - x\|_2 \leq C(\delta_{4s}) \cdot \epsilon$$

Condition  $\delta_{3s} + 3\delta_{4s} < 2$  has been relaxed since, see [Foucart, Rauhut 13]

It turns out that this result is stable under small perturbations of  $x$  where the support condition is violated.

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## Matrix ensembles with uniform Uncertainty Principles

No efficient deterministic way known to construct matrices satisfying uniform Uncertainty Principle of arbitrary size, but probabilistic ones:

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### Fourier ensemble

Let  $F$  be the  $D \times D$  discrete Fourier transform matrix. Select  $m$  rows randomly, and normalise each column, to obtain  $B$ . Then uniform Uncertainty Principle holds with probability very close to one if

$$s \leq \text{const.} \frac{m}{(\log D)^6}$$

## Analogues in $\infty$ dimensions?: Logvinenko-Sereda Theorem

Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  be measurable and  $\gamma, a > 0$  such that, for all intervals  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  of length  $a$

$$|S \cap I| \geq \gamma \cdot a \quad a \text{ is a scale, } \gamma \text{ a density.}$$

Then  $S$  is called  $(\gamma, a)$ -thick.

### Theorem [Logvinenko-Sereda '74]

Let  $p \in [1, \infty]$  and  $J \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an interval of length  $b > 0$ . Let  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  with  $\hat{f}$  supported in  $J$ . Then

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Logvinenko-Sereda:  $C(ab, \gamma) = \exp\left(-c \frac{1+ab}{\gamma}\right)$

Kovrijkine'01:  $C(ab, \gamma) = \left(\frac{\gamma}{c}\right)^{c(1+ab)}$

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### Reformulation of Kovrijkine's Theorem

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$$\left(\frac{\gamma}{c}\right)^{ab(c/\gamma)^n + n} \|\psi\|_2 \leq \|B\psi\|_2 \leq \|\psi\|_2 \quad (3)$$

for all  $\psi \in \bigcup_{k=1}^n \hat{L}(J_k)$ , where the union runs over all  $n$ -tuples  $J_1, \dots, J_n \subset \mathbb{R}$  of intervals of length  $b$  each.

$\psi$  is 'sparse' in Fourier representation.

None of the subspaces  $\hat{L}(J_k)$  has finite dimension, but they are all unitarily equivalent. In particular, the constant  $c$  in (3) does not depend on the positions of the intervals  $J_k$ .

Kovrijkine obtained also analogous results in higher dimensions  $d \in \mathbb{N}$

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