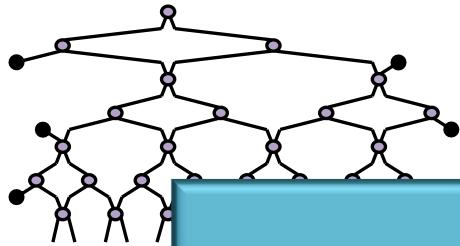


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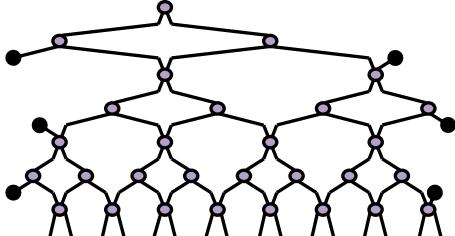
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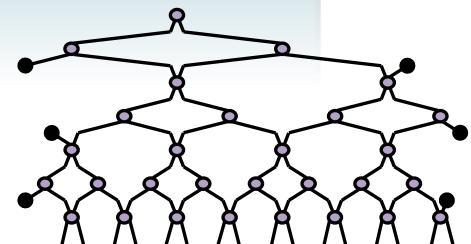
# A class of entangling quantum circuits that can be efficiently simulated

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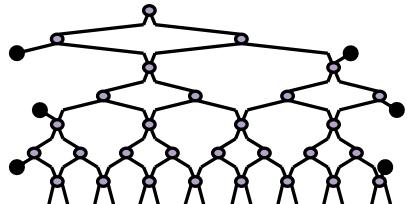


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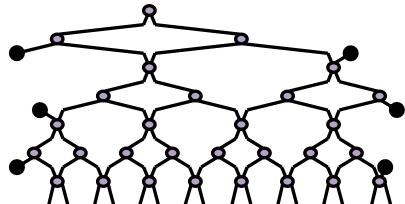
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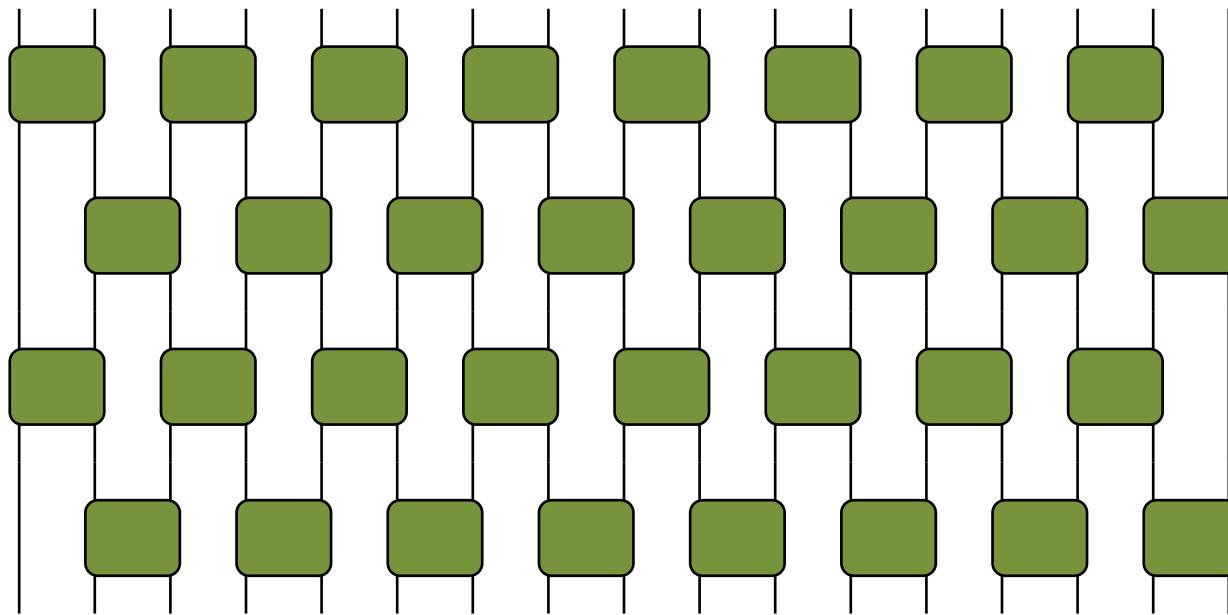
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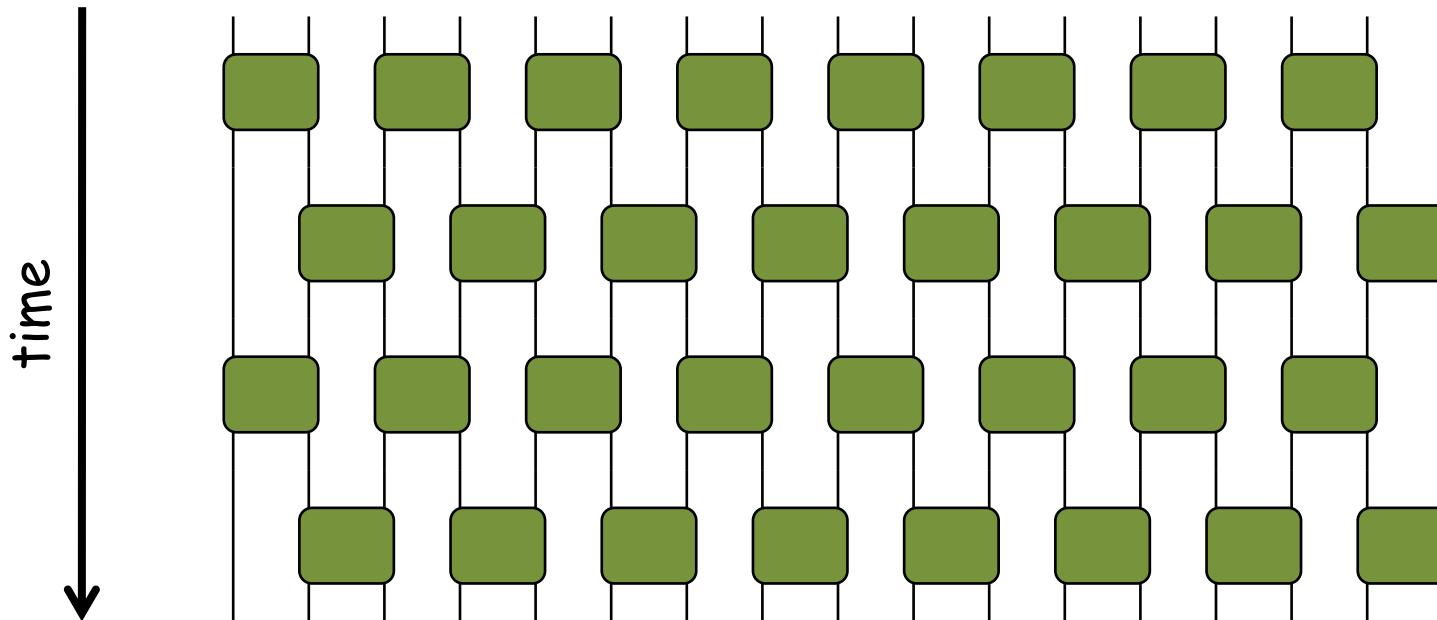


# Quantum Circuit



# Quantum Circuit

Can be used to *efficiently* encode many-body states:



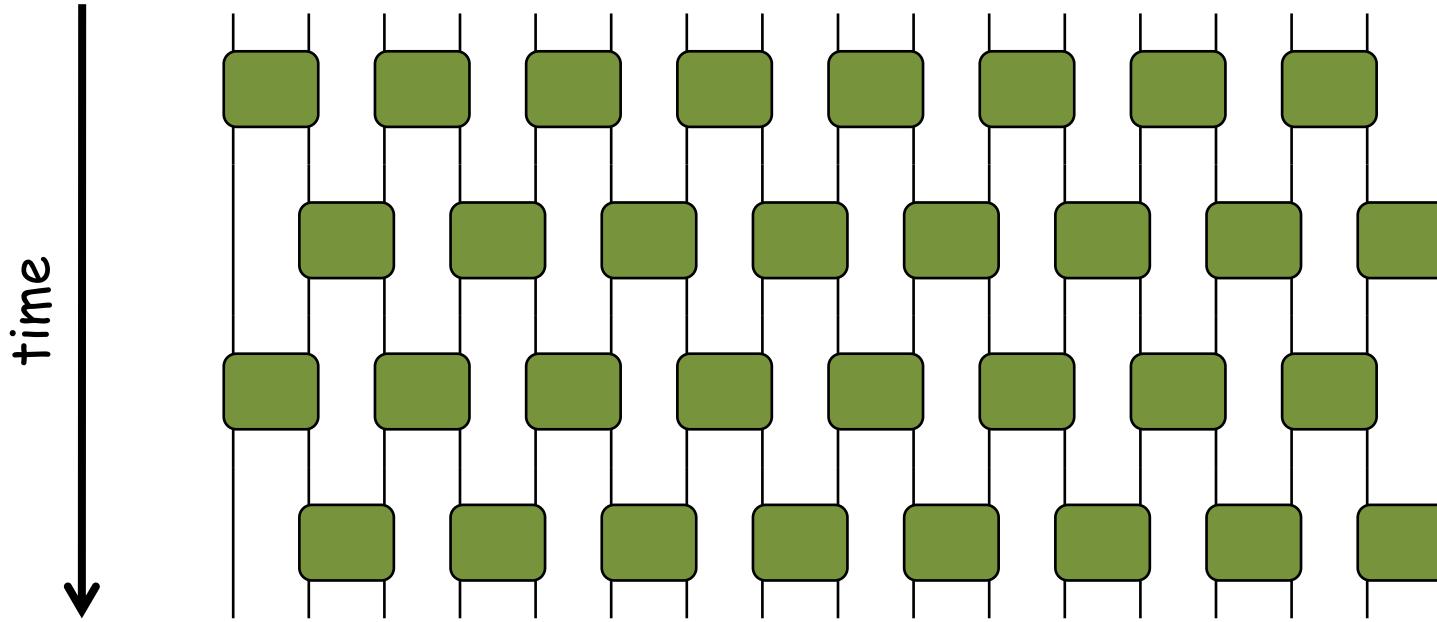
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# Quantum Circuit as a many-body variational ansatz

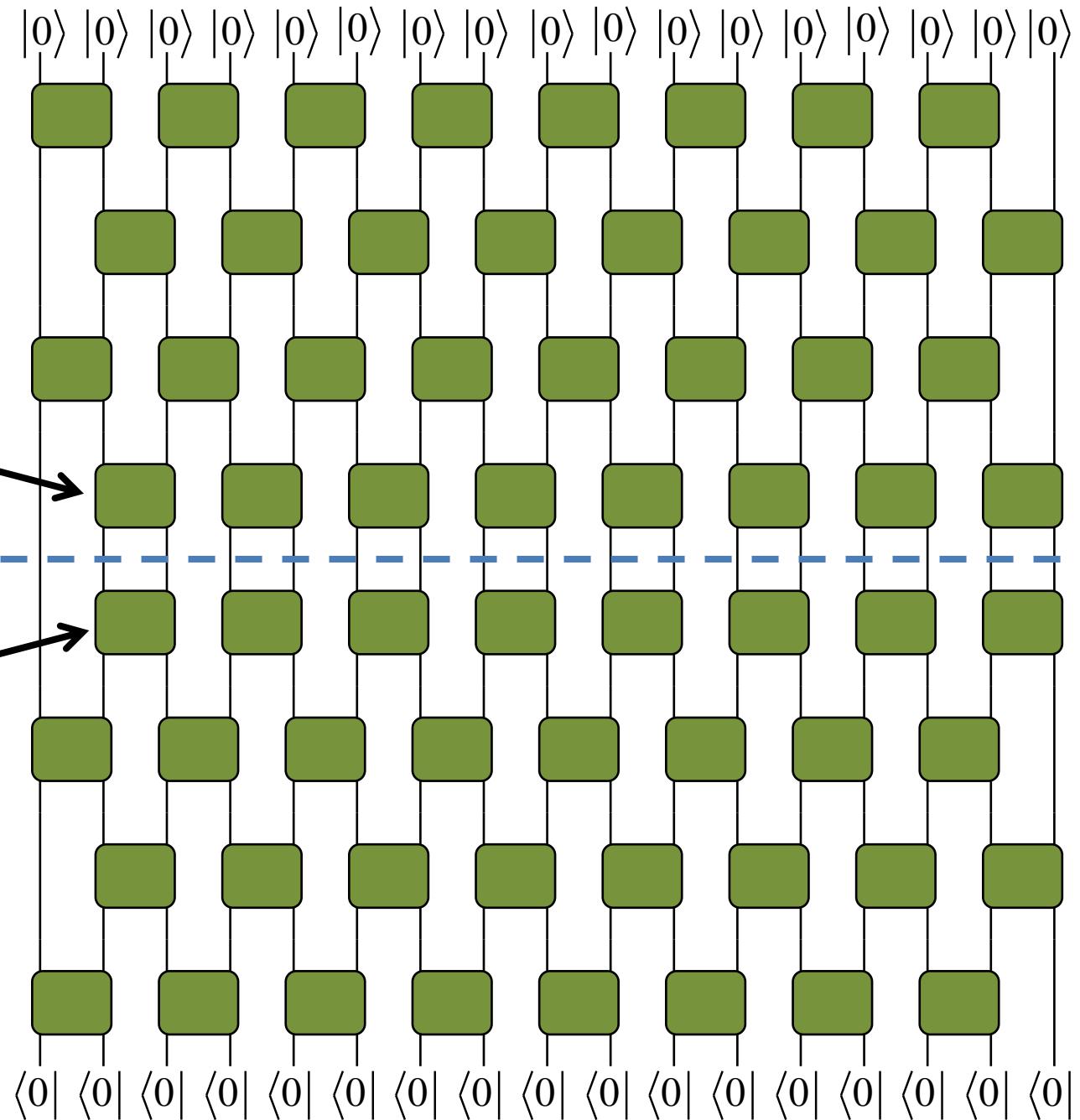
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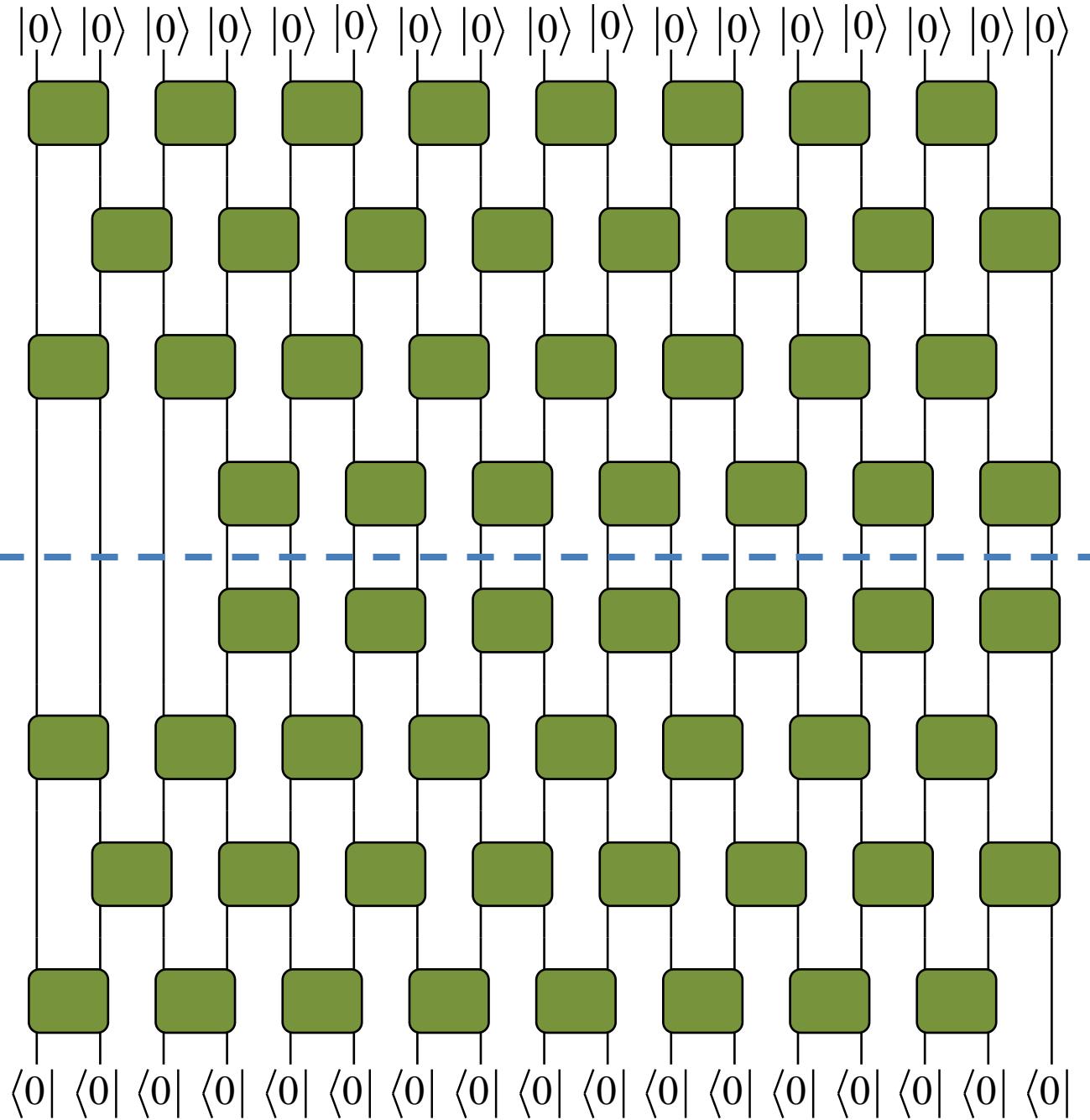


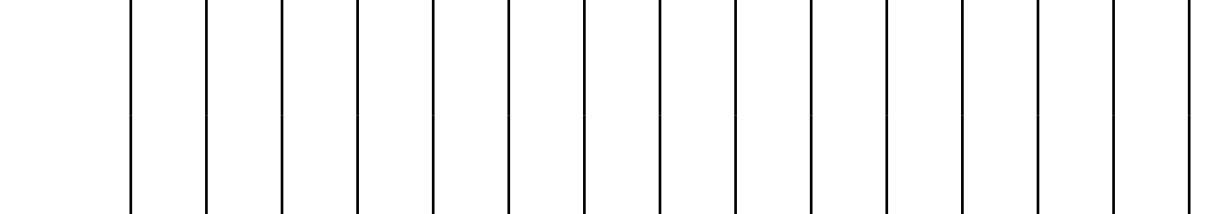
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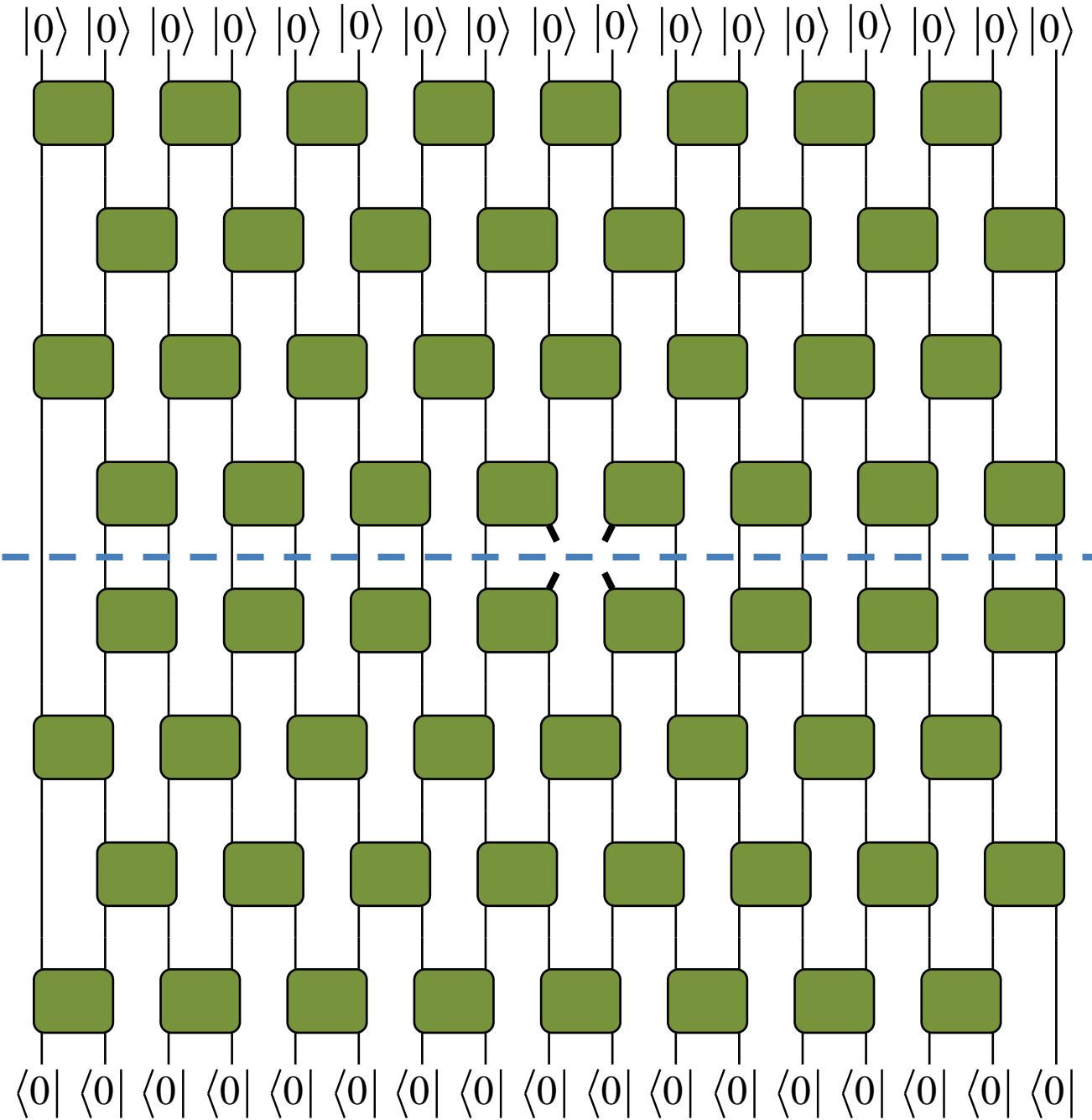


$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = \dots$$


The diagram shows a sequence of 15 vertical black lines, each representing a qubit. Above these lines is a horizontal blue dashed line, indicating the state of all 15 qubits together.

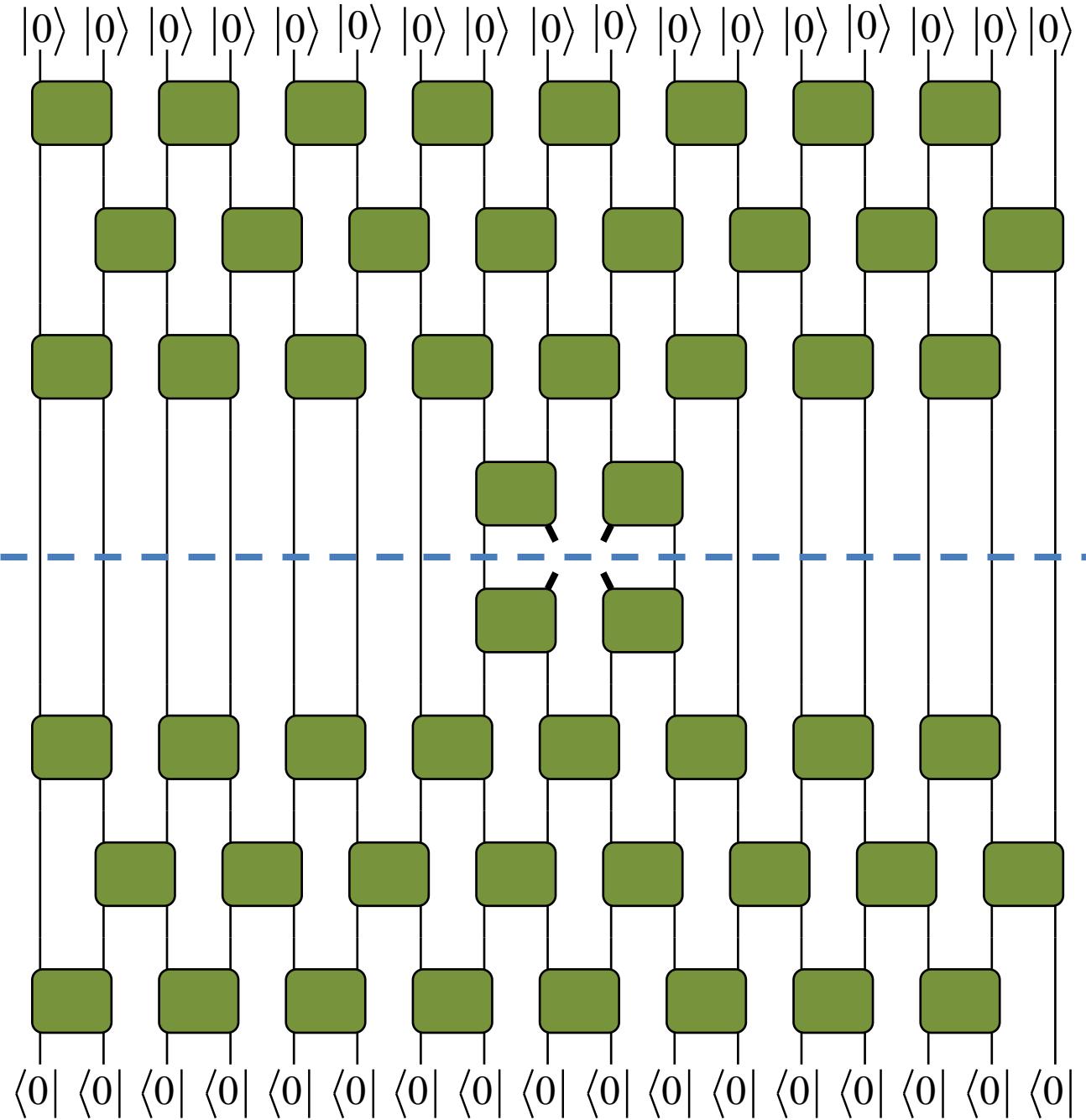
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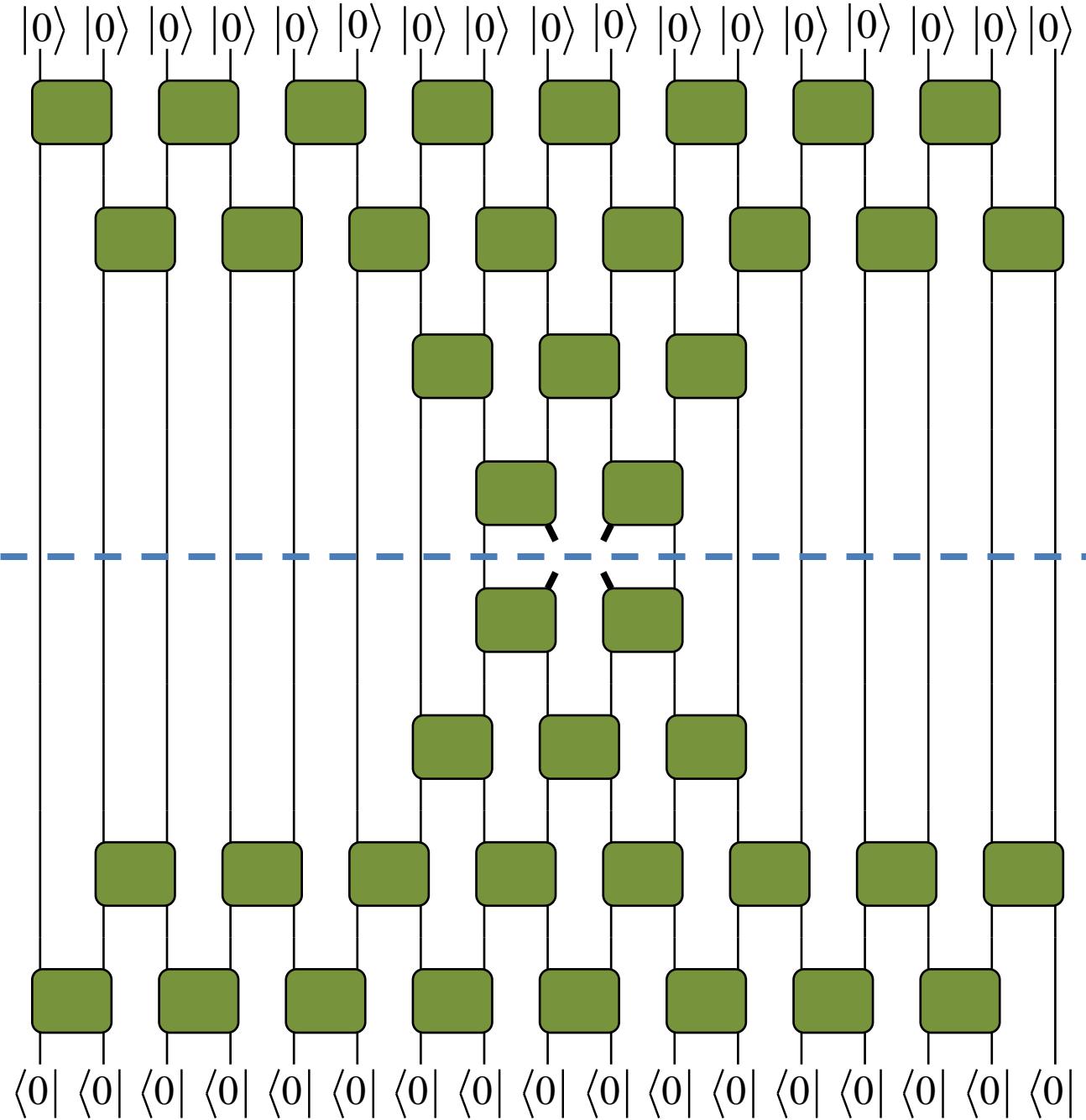
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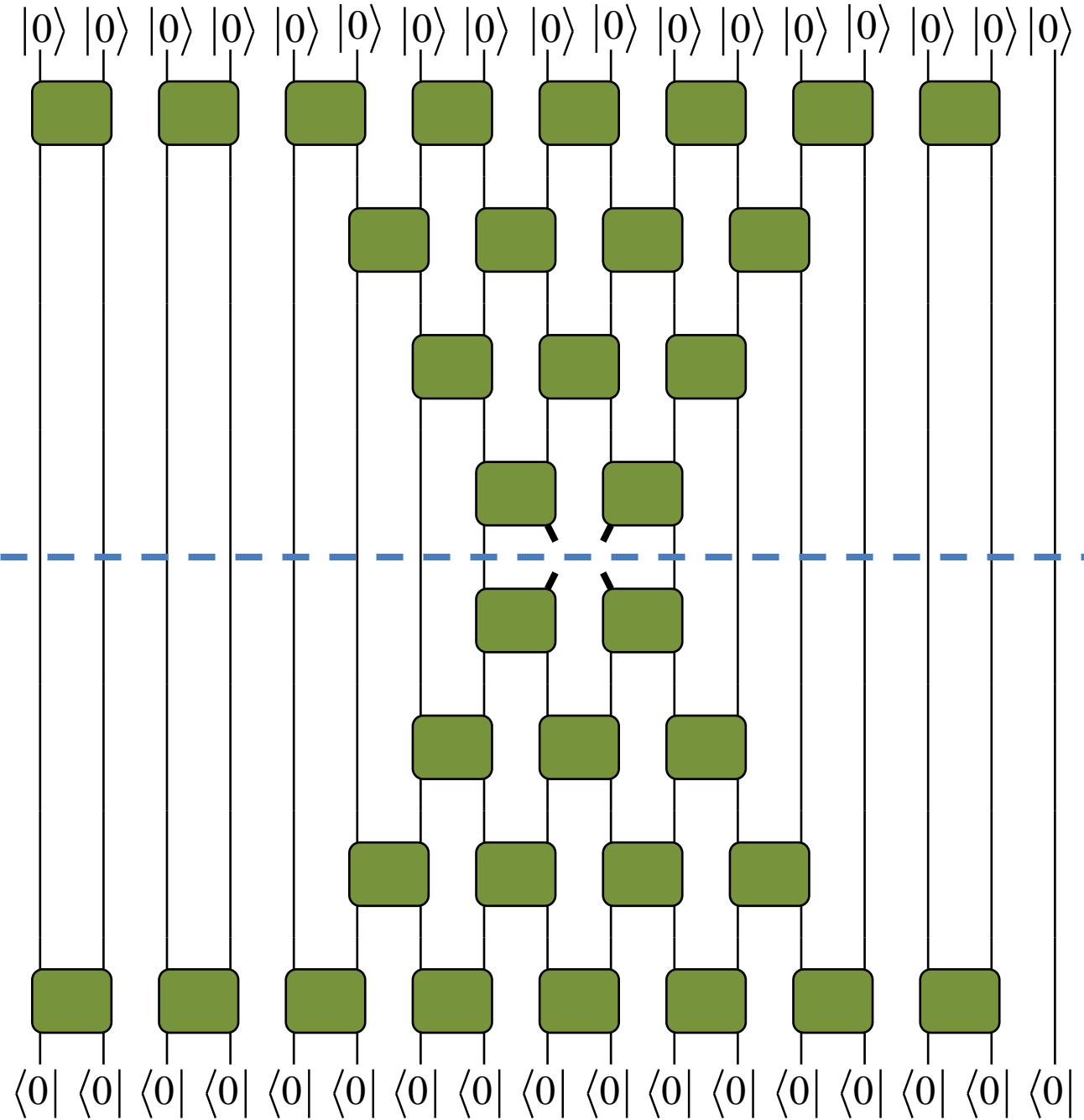
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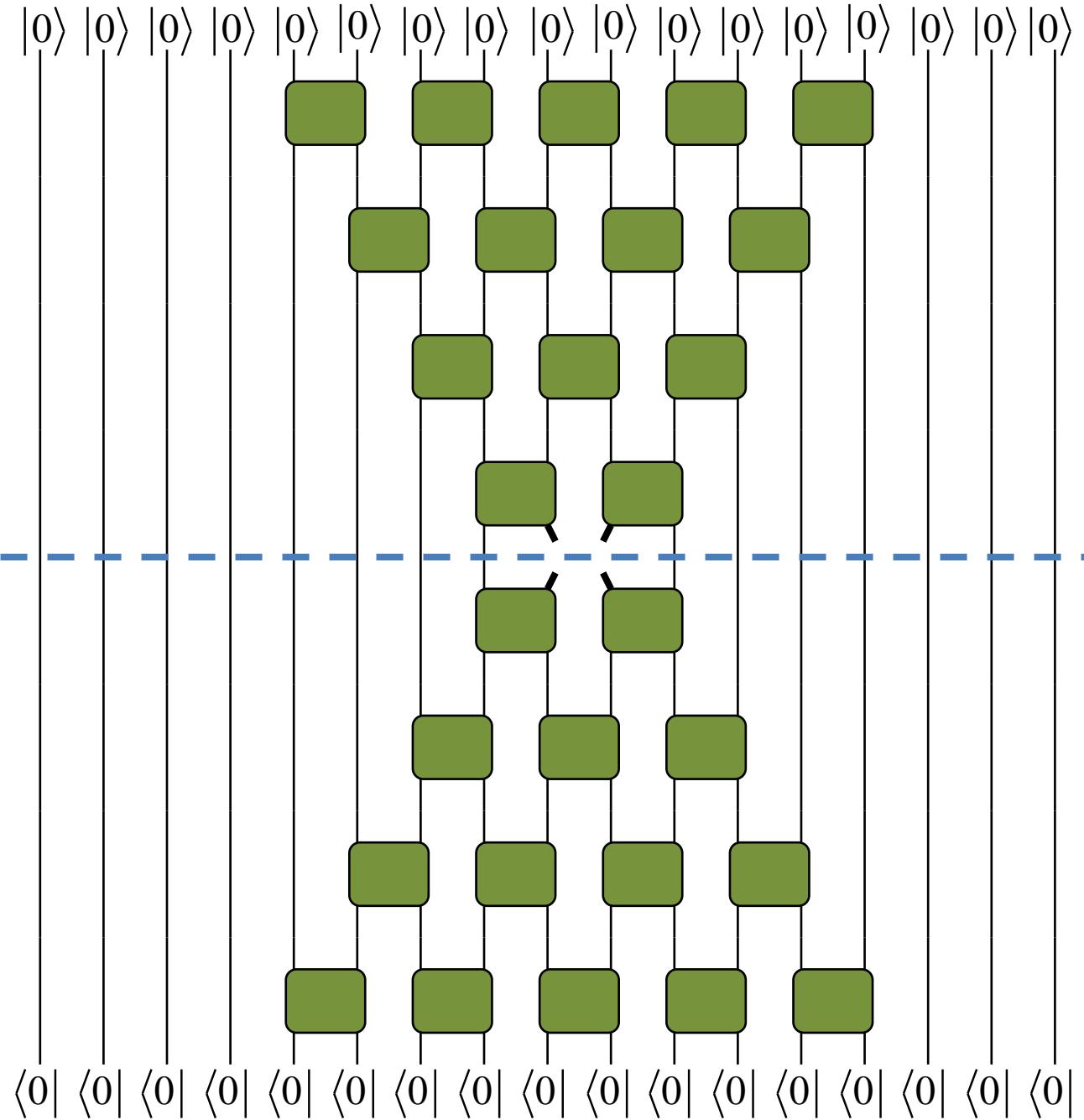
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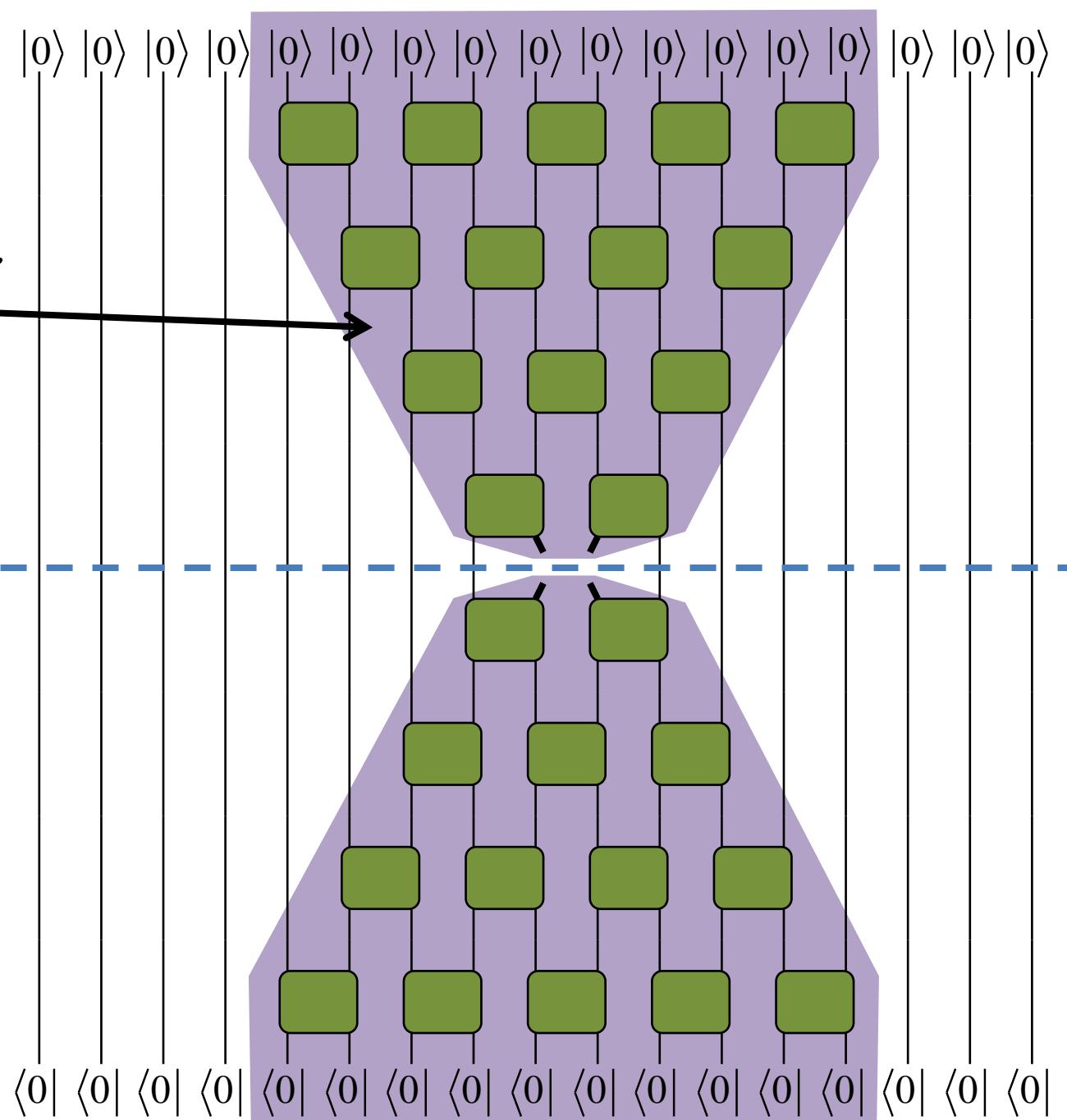
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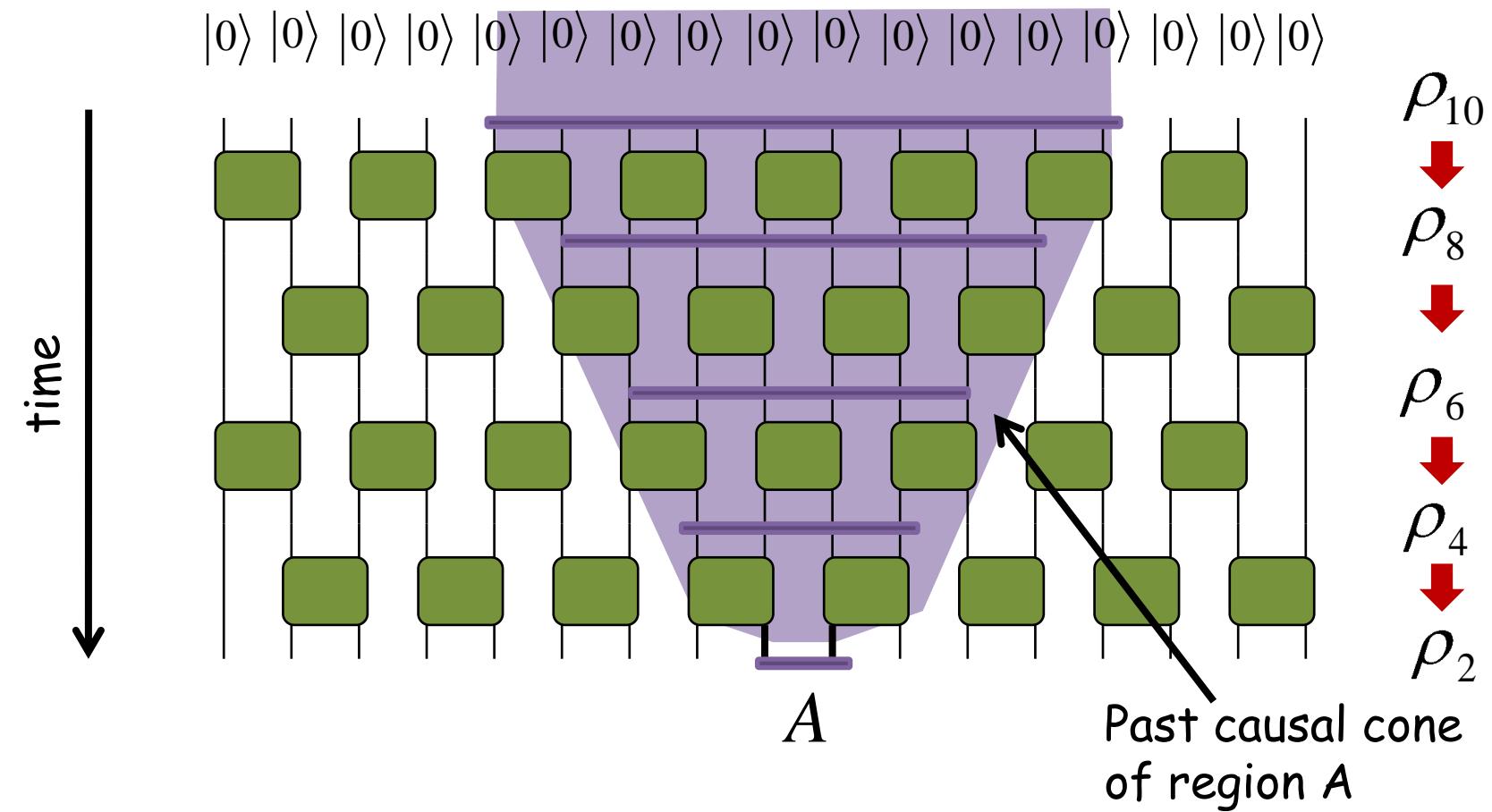


Cost of computing  
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Past causal cone  
of region A

$$\rho(A) =$$





width of causal cone:  $w(t)$

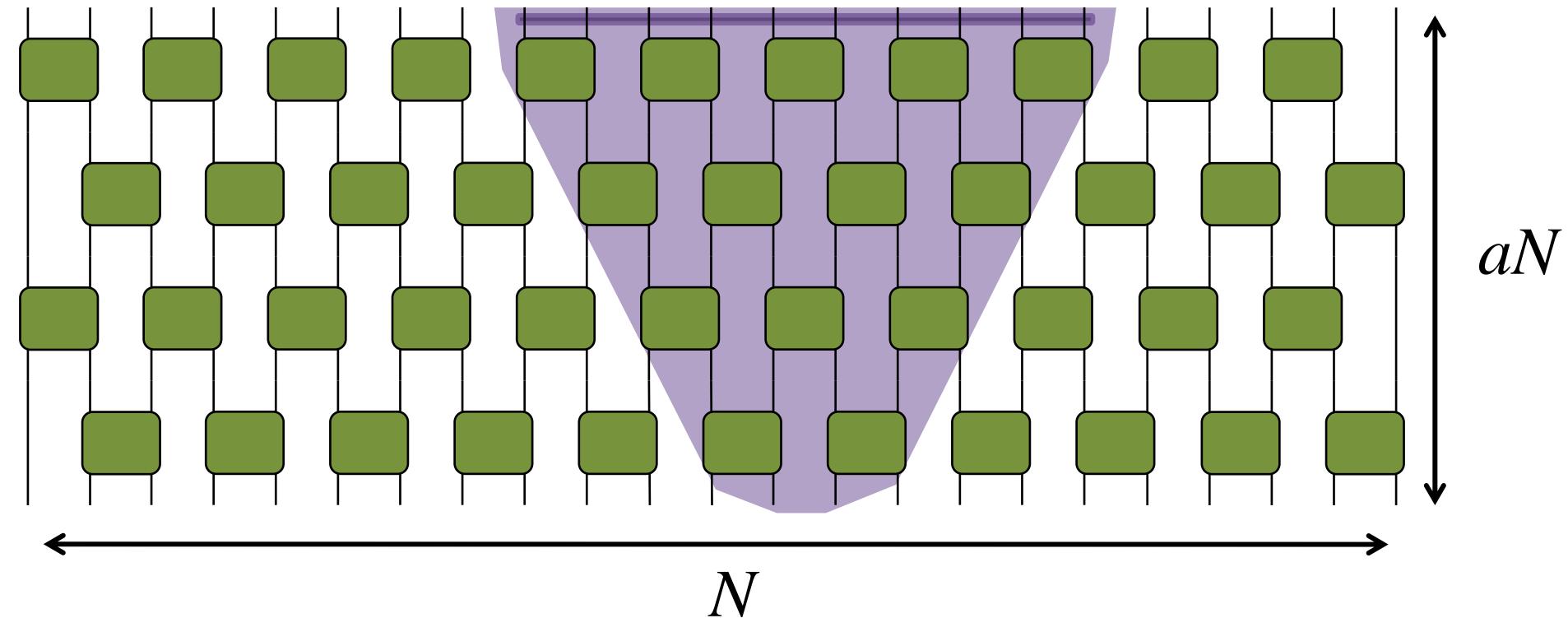
$$w \equiv \max_t w(t)$$

cost of computing  $\rho(A)$  :

**$c \approx \exp(w)$**

Example I:

$$w \approx 2aN$$

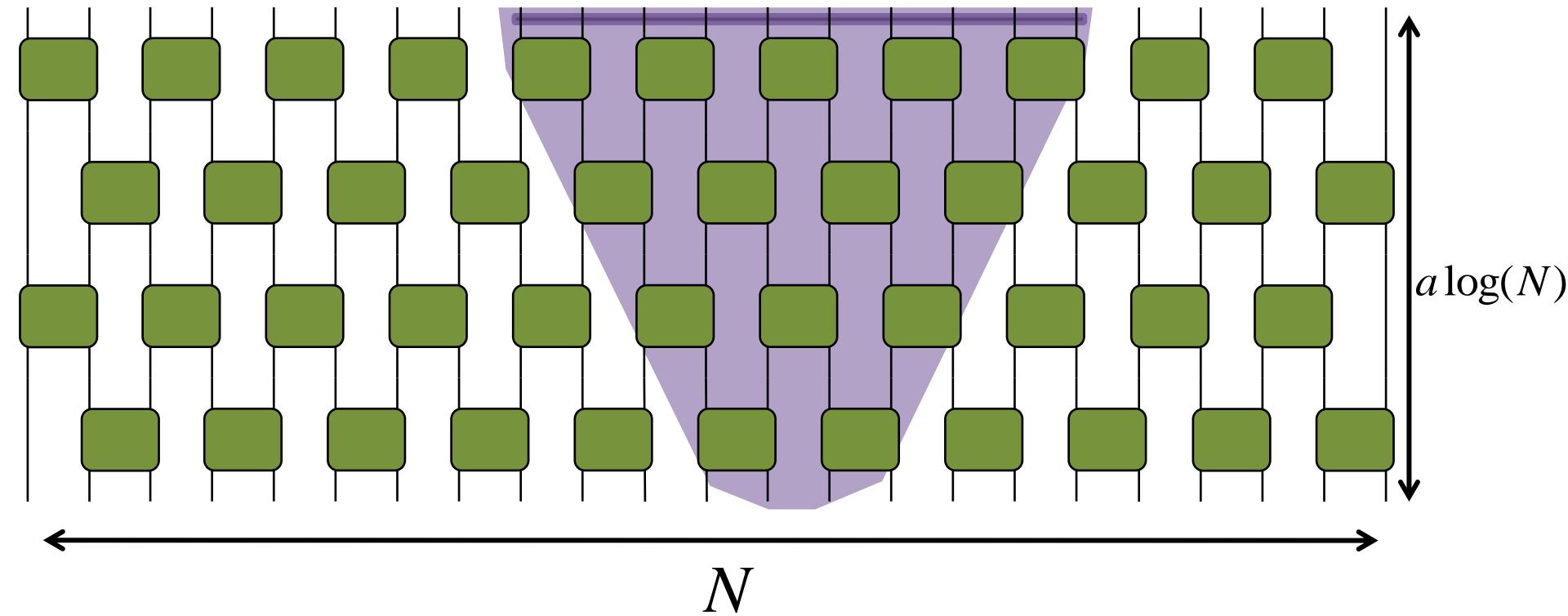


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inefficient

## Example II:

$$w \approx 2a \log(N)$$



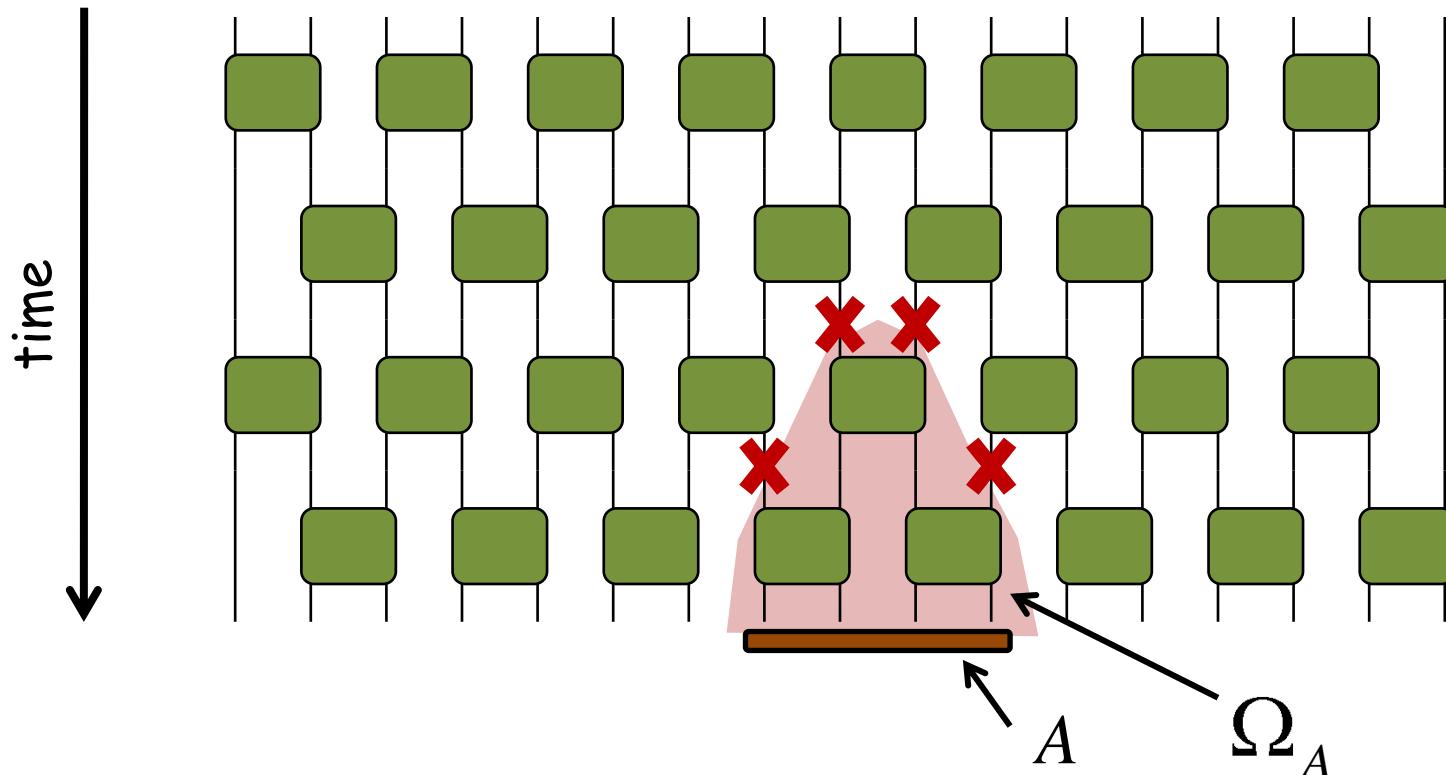
cost of computing  $\rho(A)$  :  $c \approx \exp(2a \log(N)) \approx N^{2a}$

efficient

# How entangled is the resulting state?

- Entanglement entropy of a block of contiguous sites

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Upper bound  
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entropy

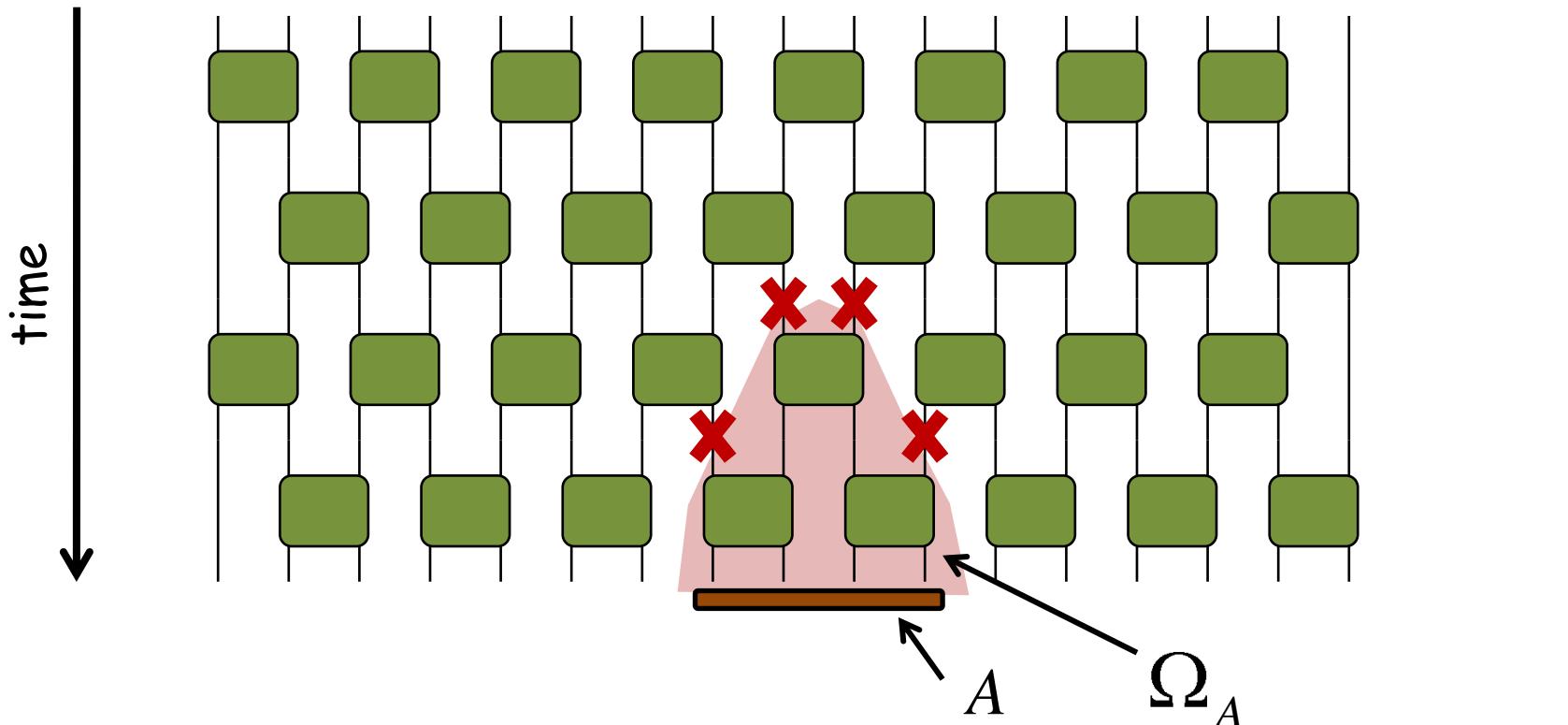
minimal connectivity  
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# of bond  
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$$n(A) = 4$$

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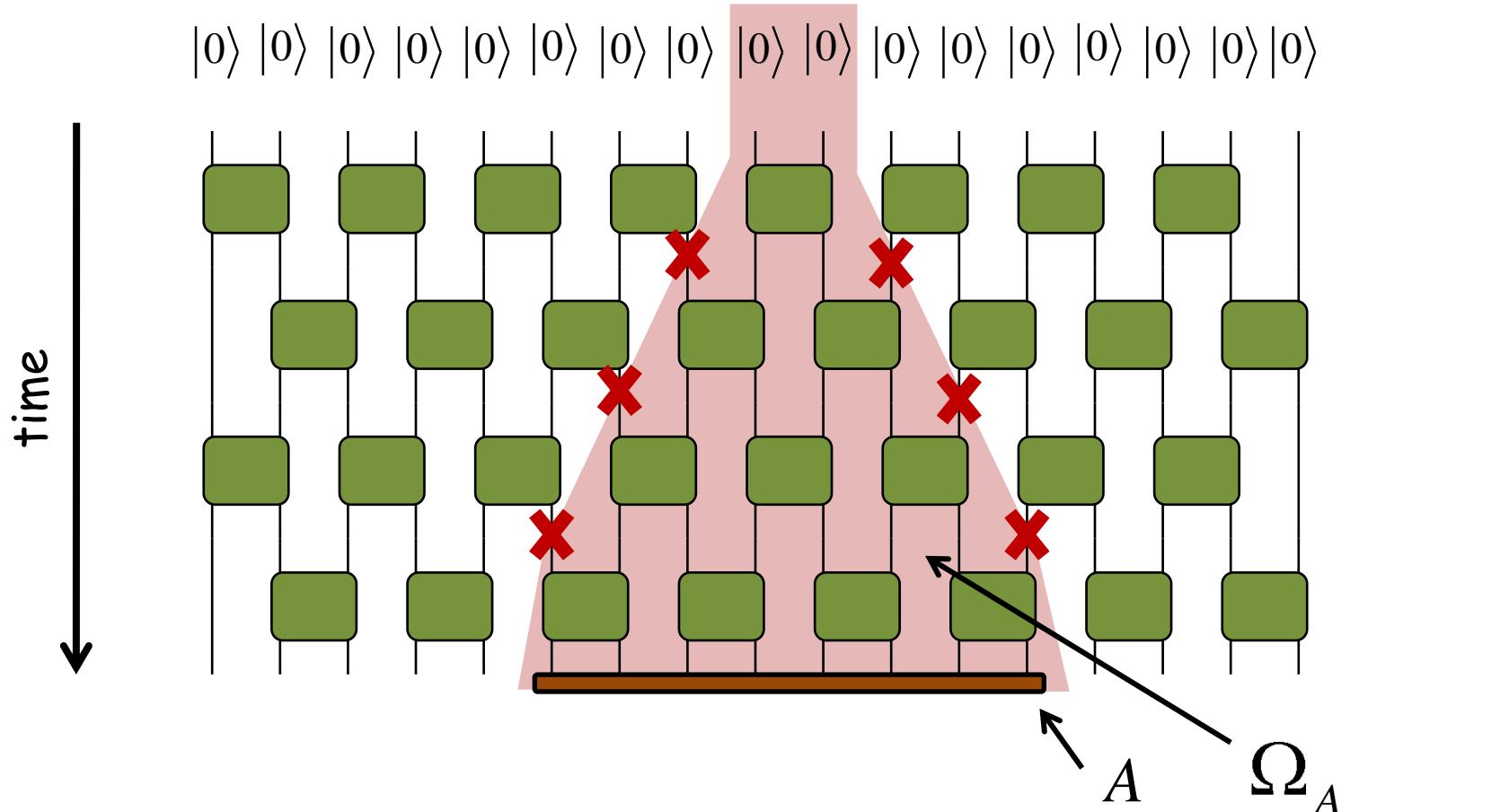
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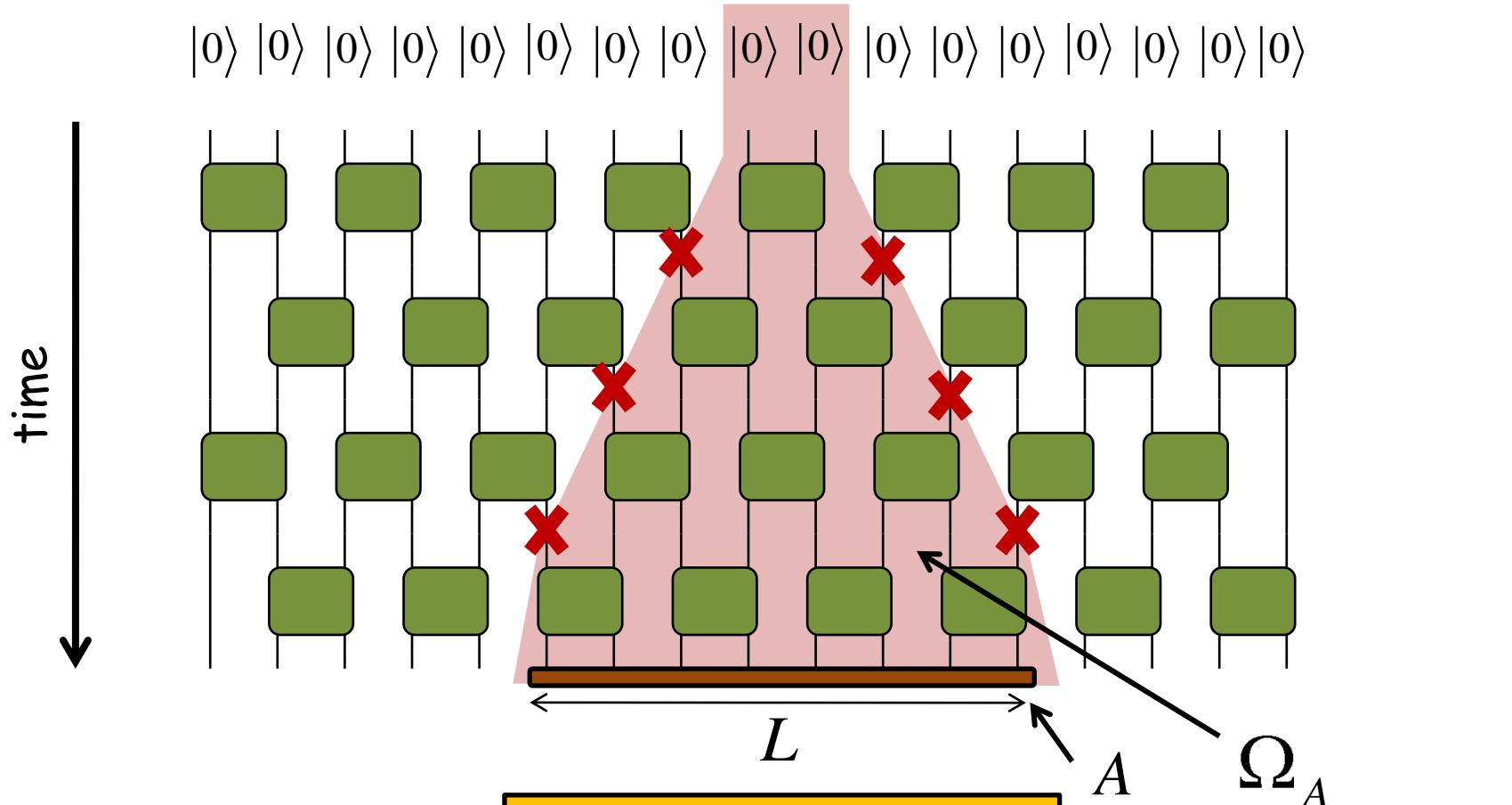
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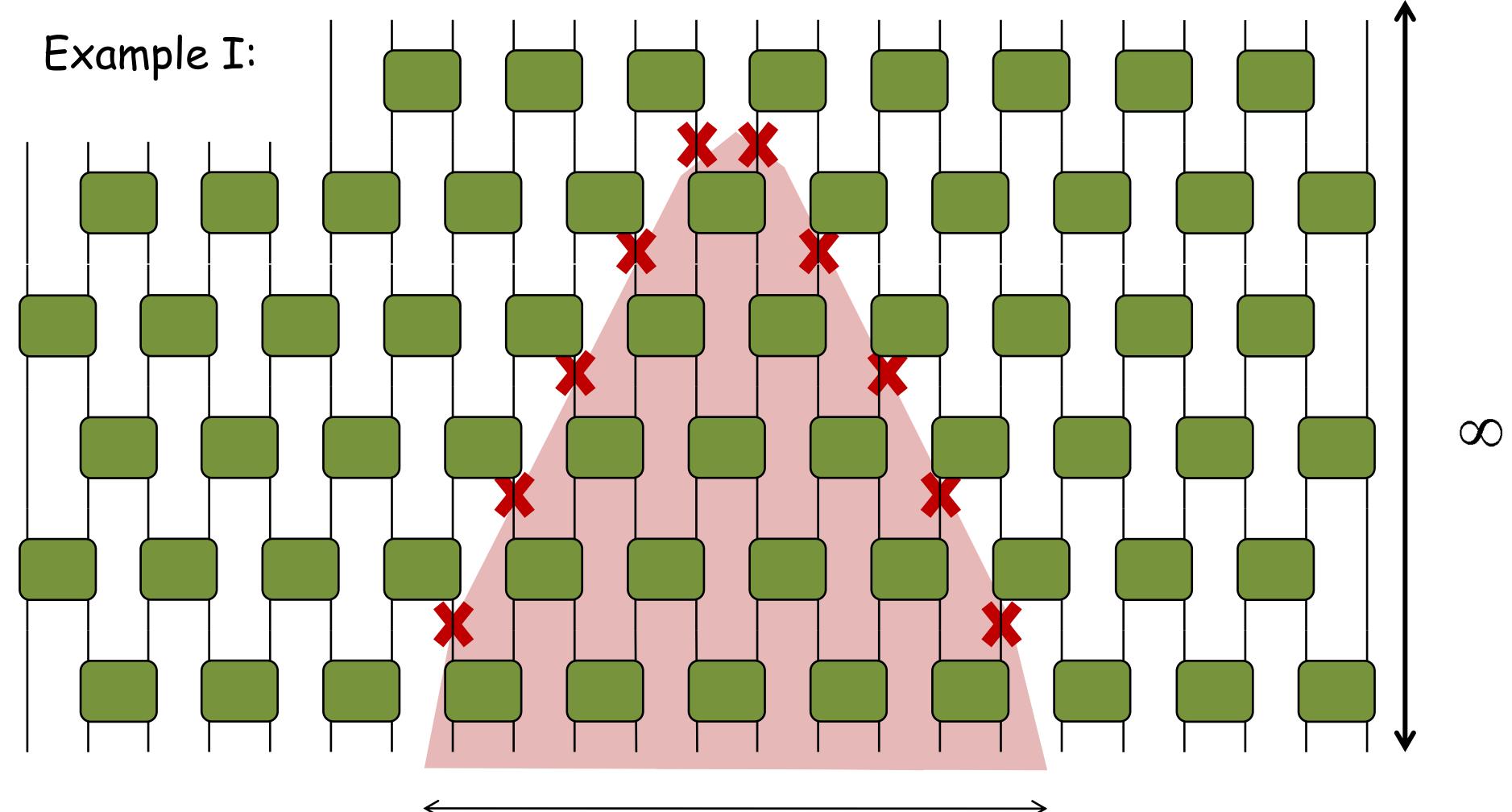


Scaling of entropy  
with size  $L$  of region  $A$

$$S(A) \approx \begin{cases} \text{const} \\ \log(L) \\ L \end{cases} ?$$

for simplicity,  
 $N \rightarrow \infty$

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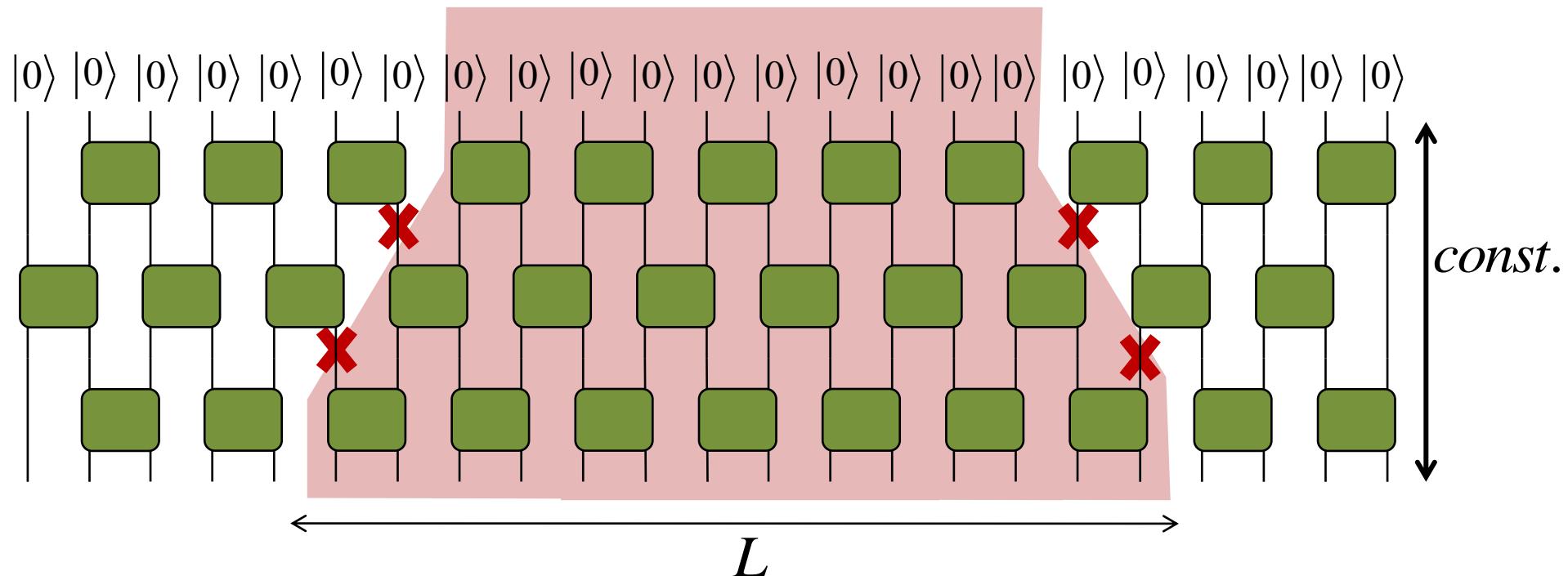


$$n(A) \approx L$$

scaling of entropy:

$$S(A) \approx L$$

## Example II:



$$n(A) \approx const$$

scaling of entropy:

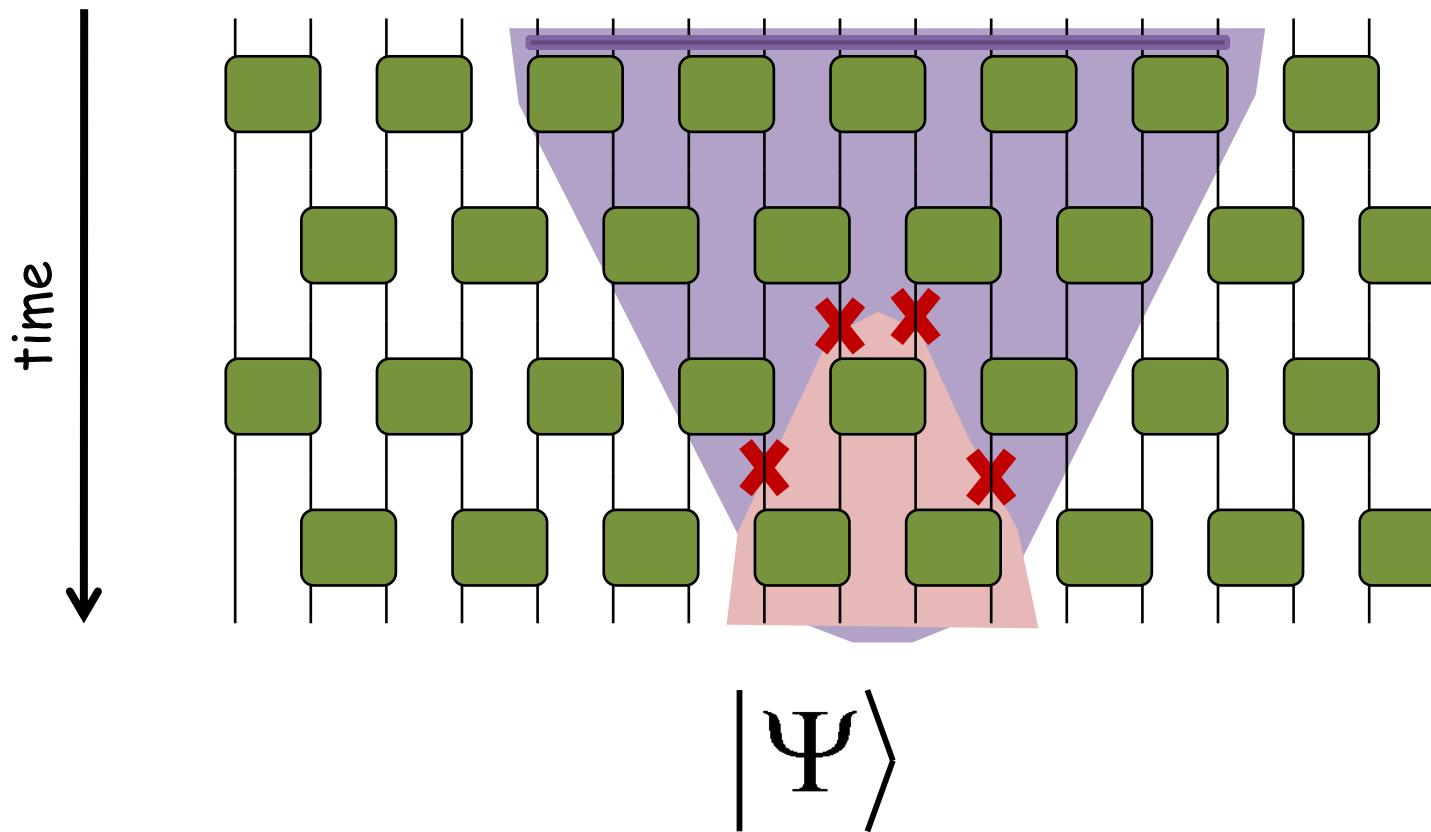
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## Summary:

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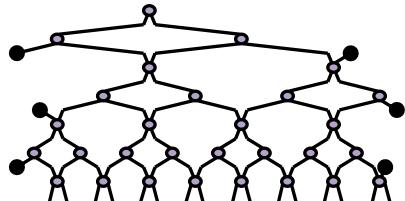
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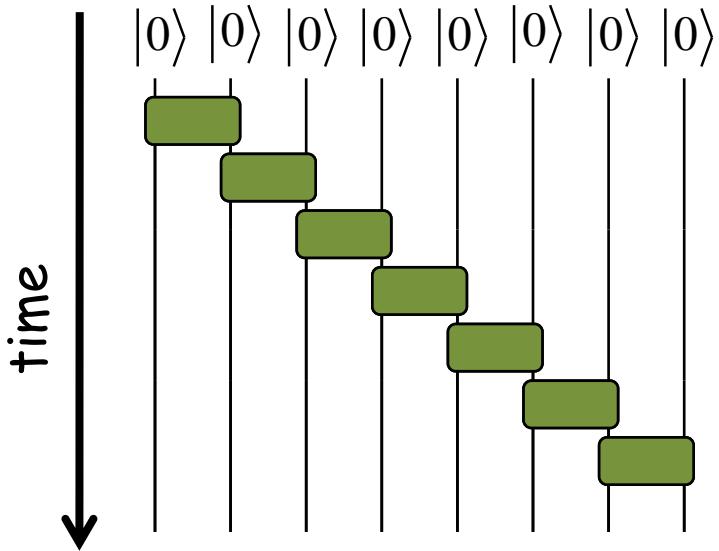
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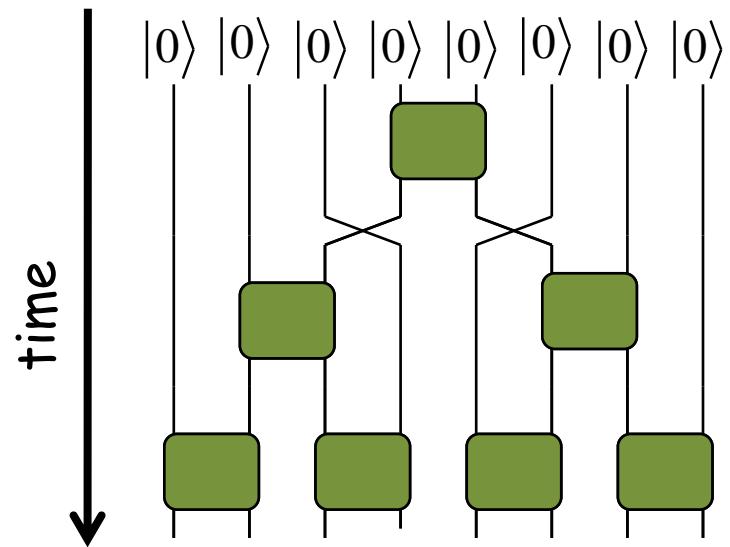
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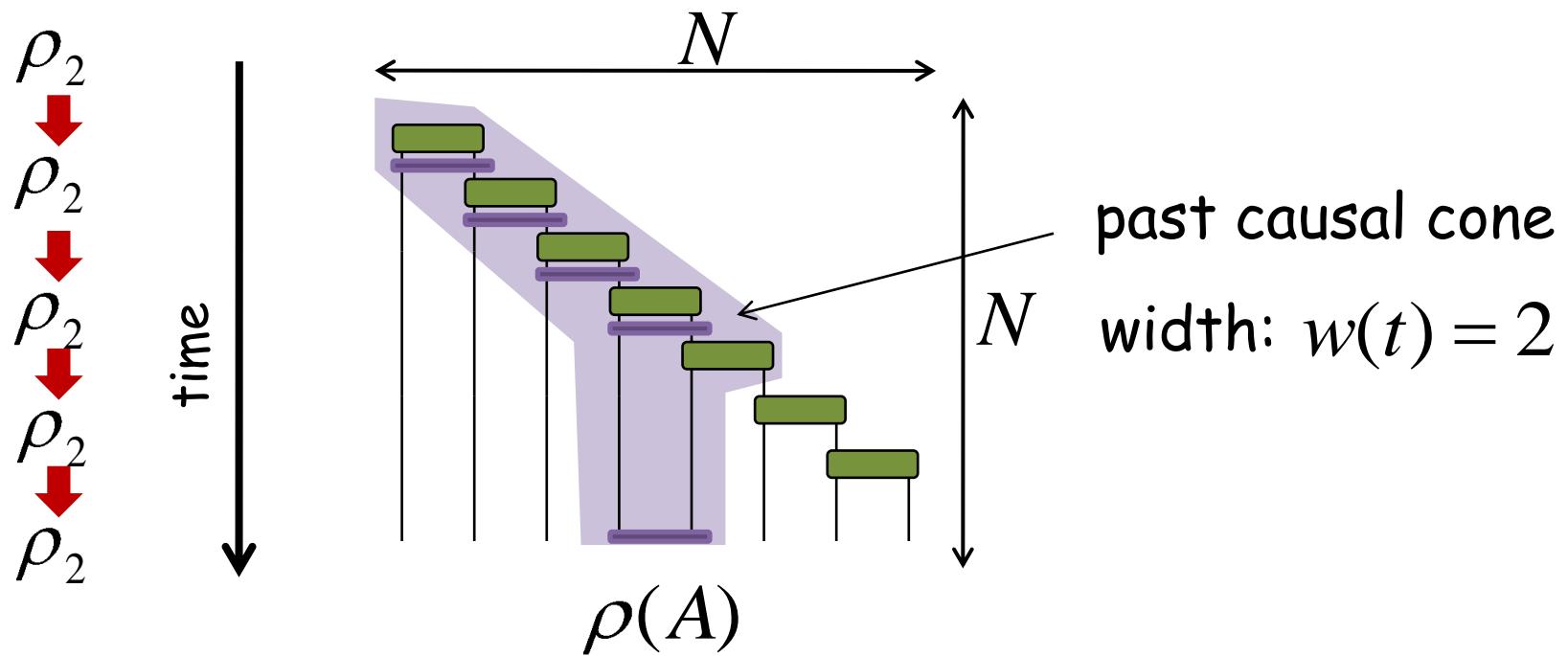


matrix product state  
**MPS**



tree tensor network  
**TTN**

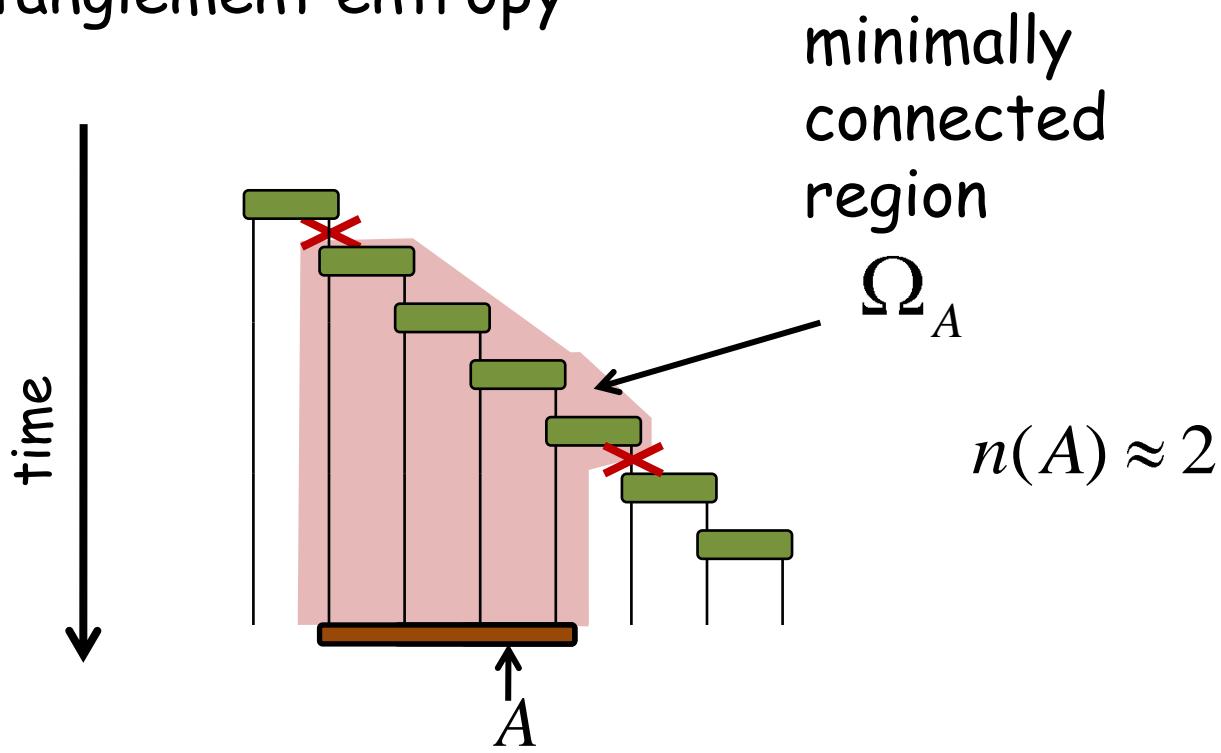
# MPS: computational cost



cost of computing  $\rho(A)$  :  $c \approx \exp(w) = const$

$$c \approx O(N)$$

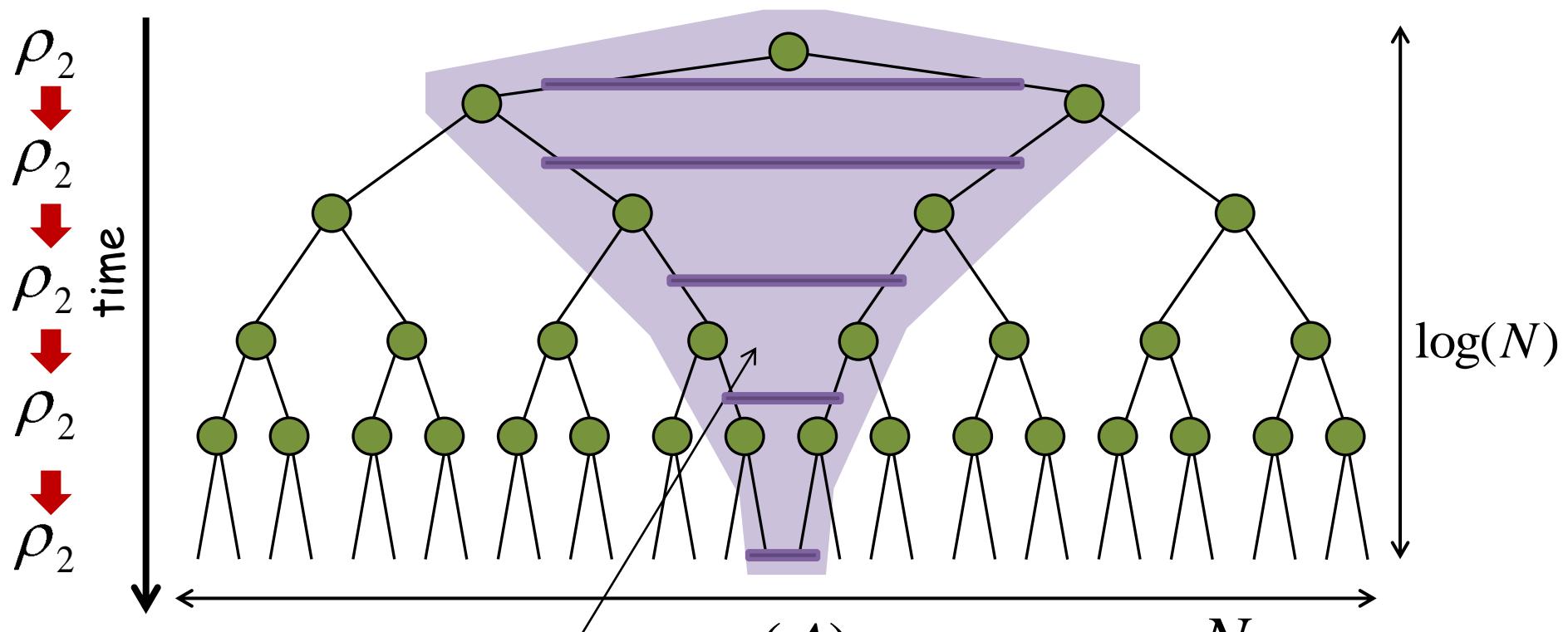
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past causal cone

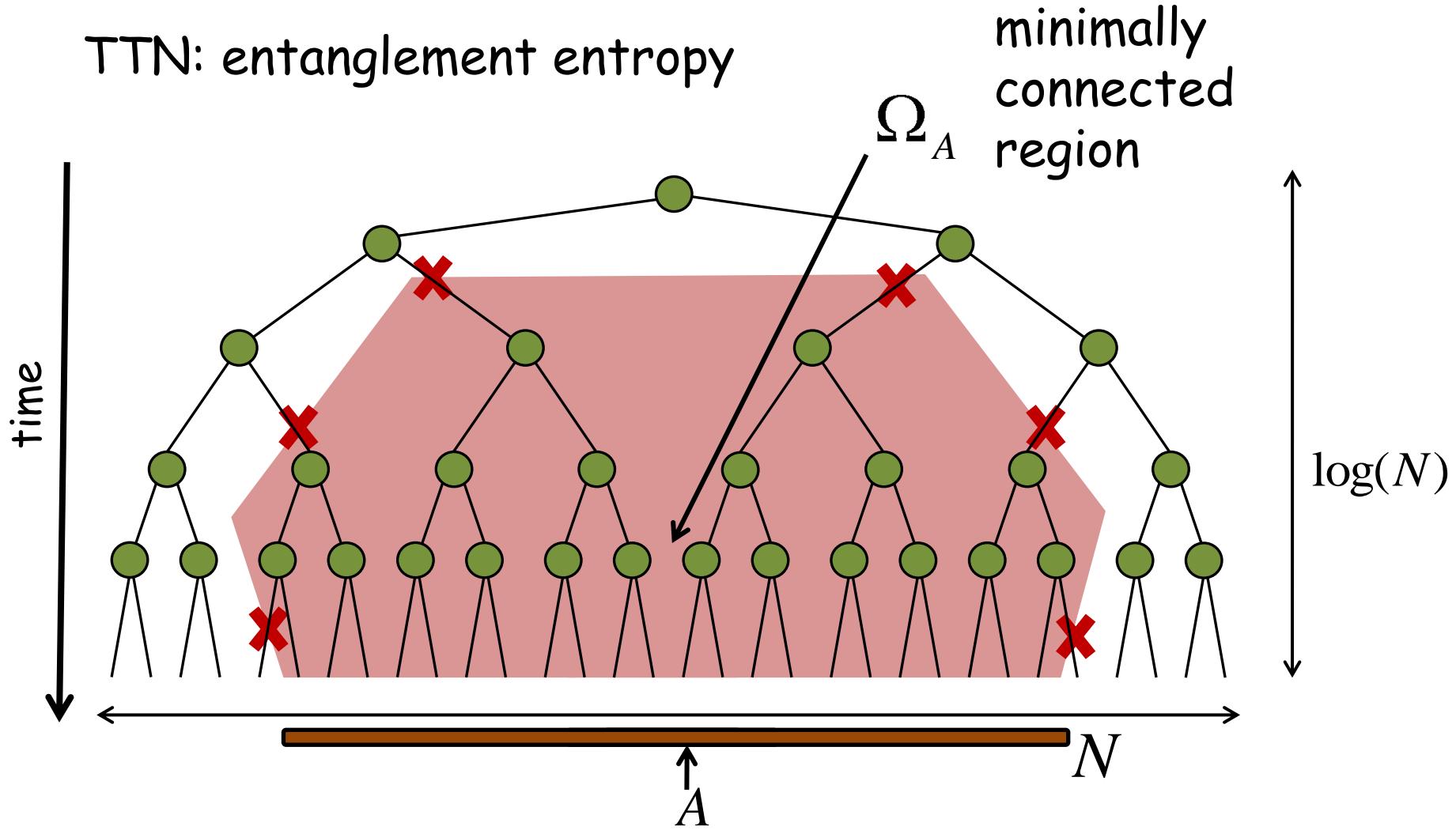
width:  $w(t) = 2$

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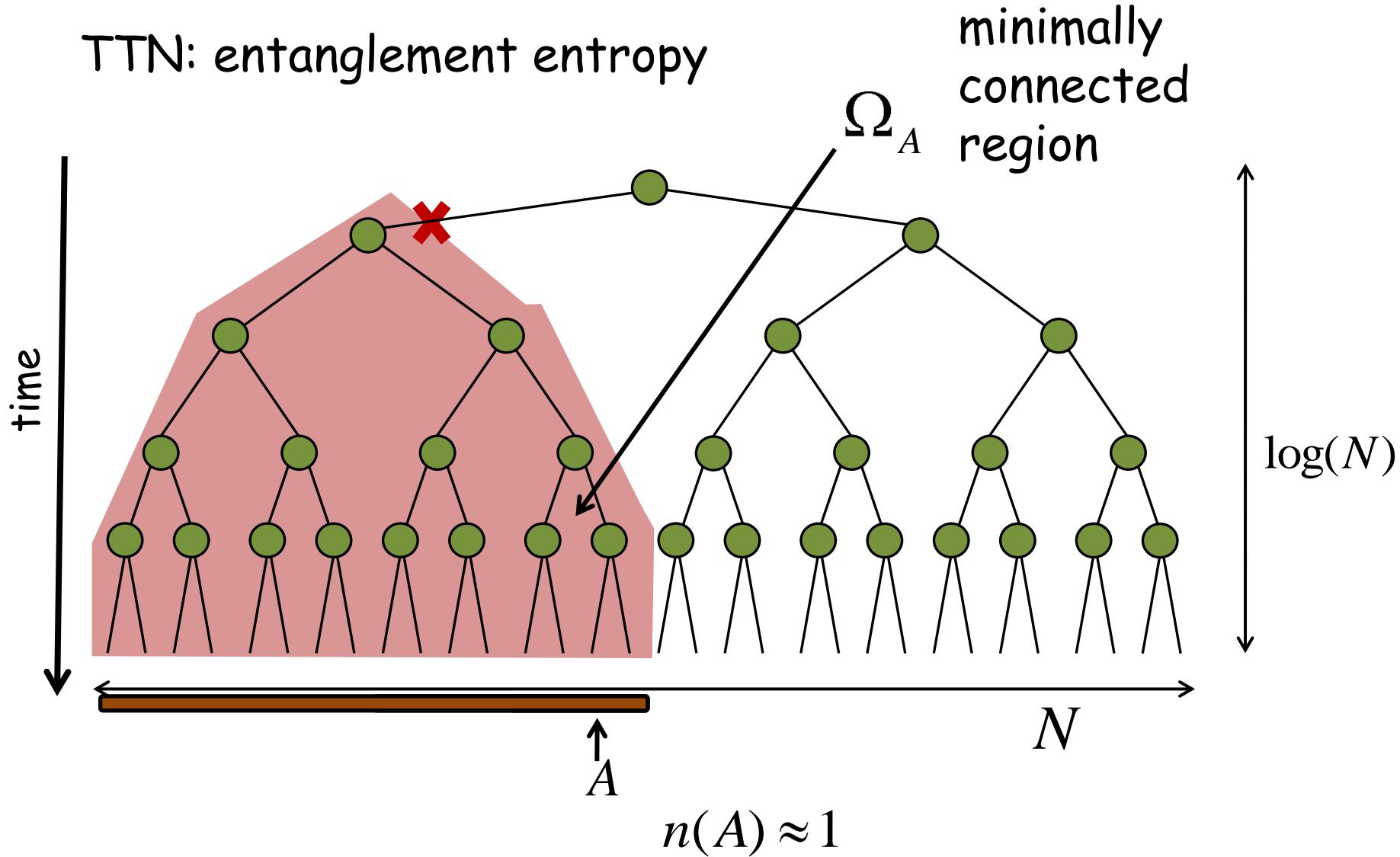
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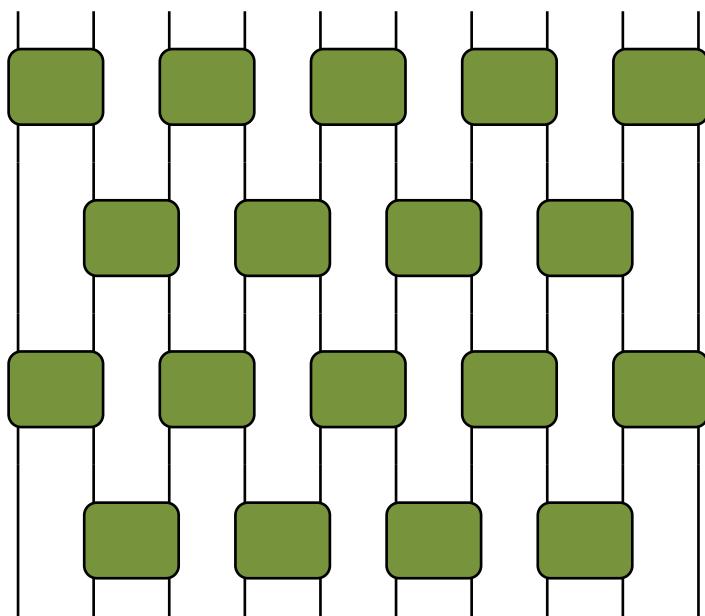


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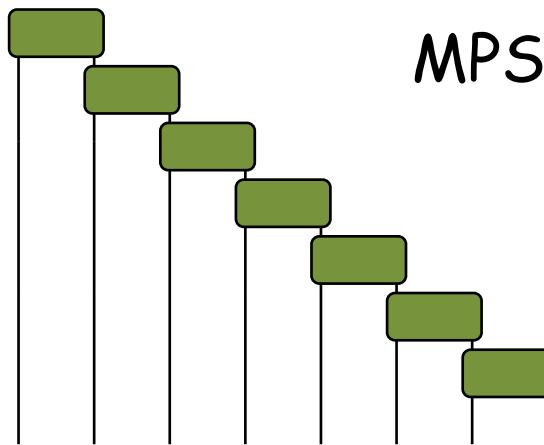


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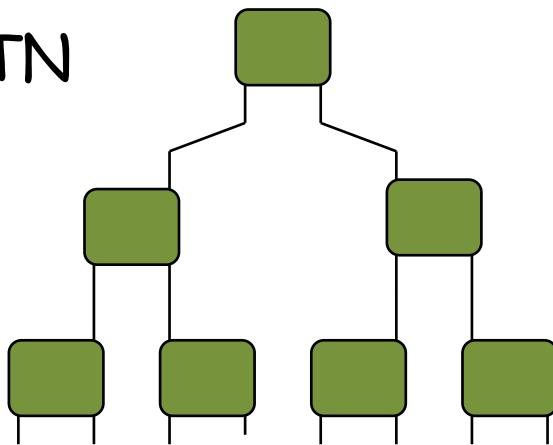


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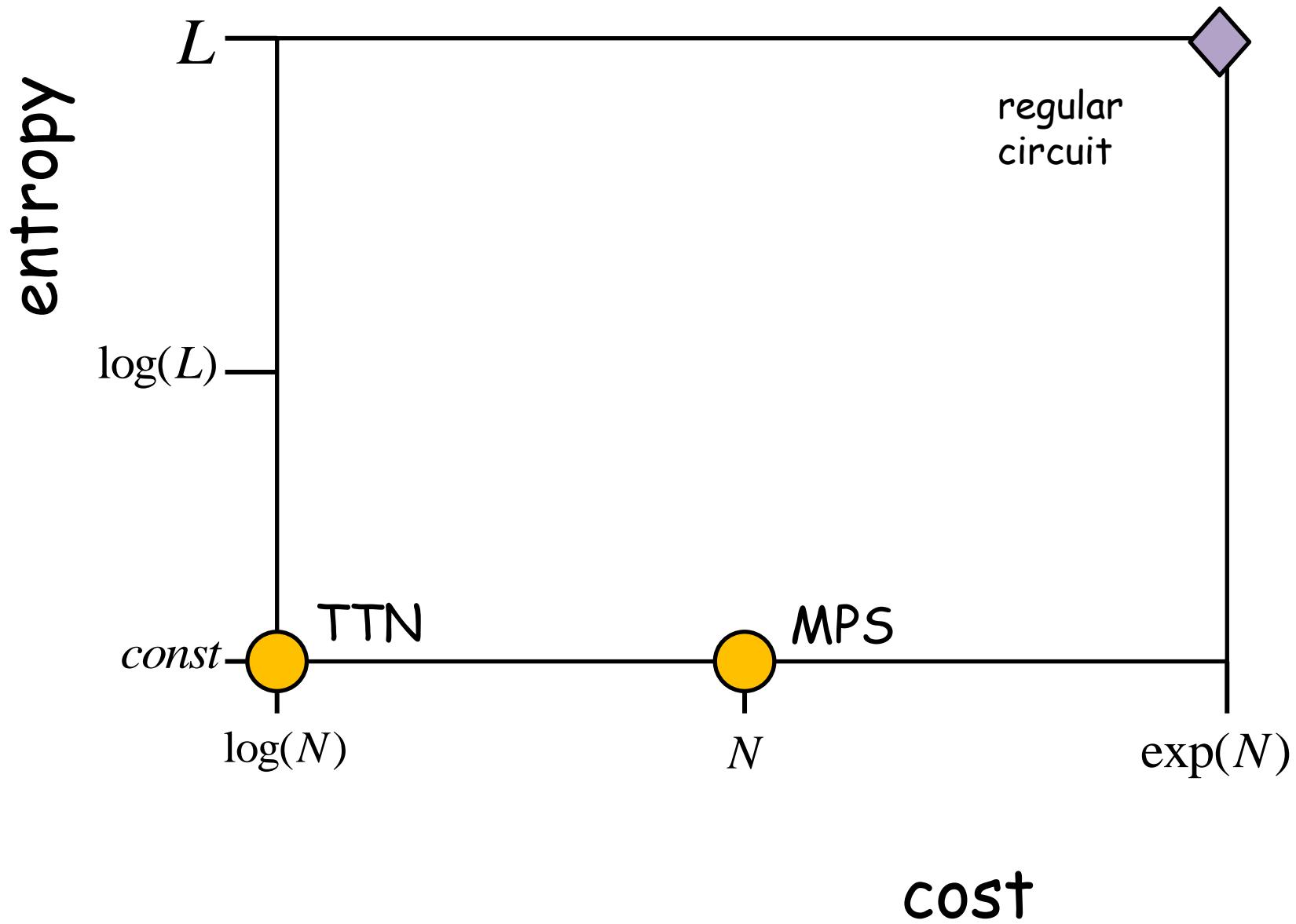
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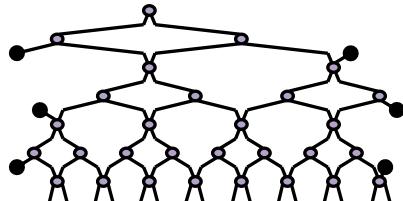
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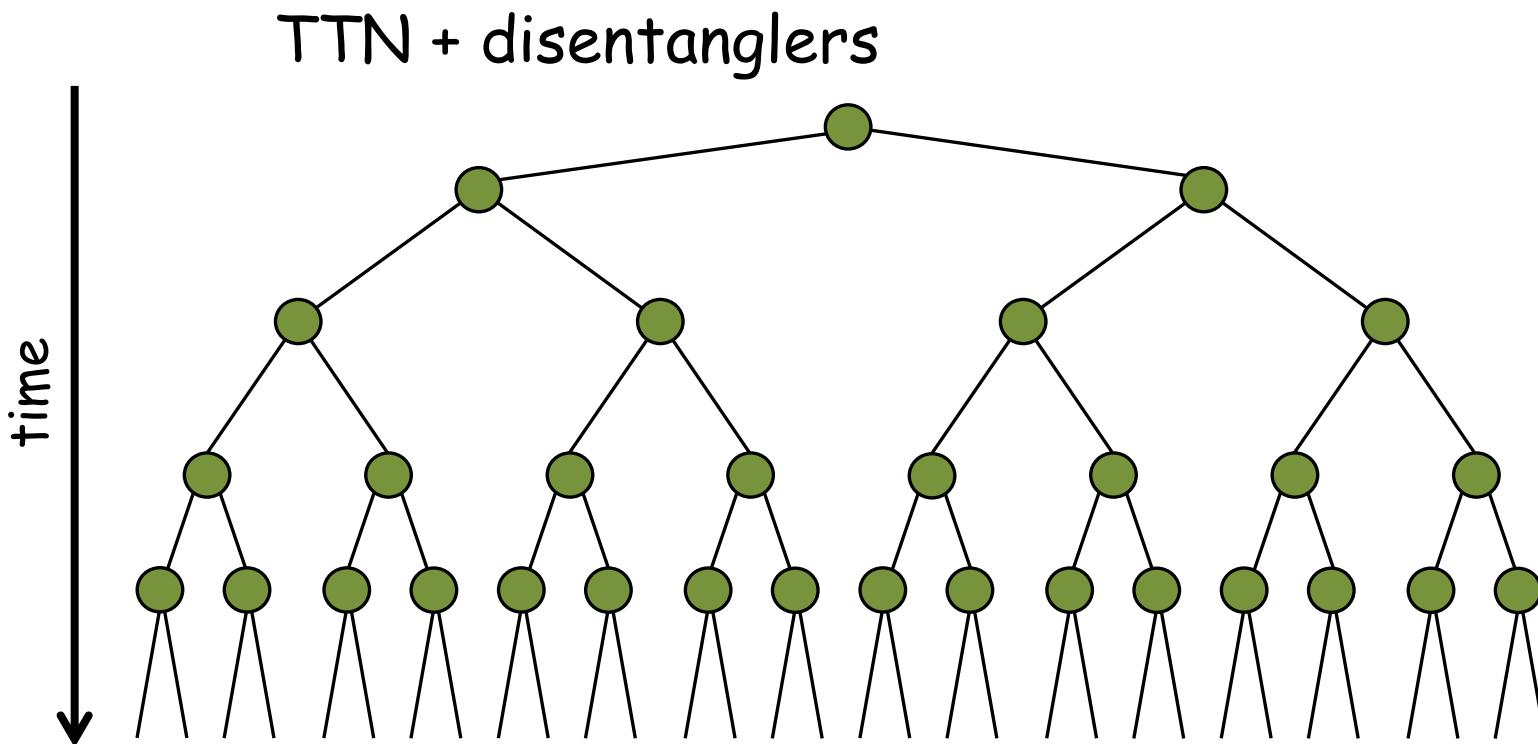
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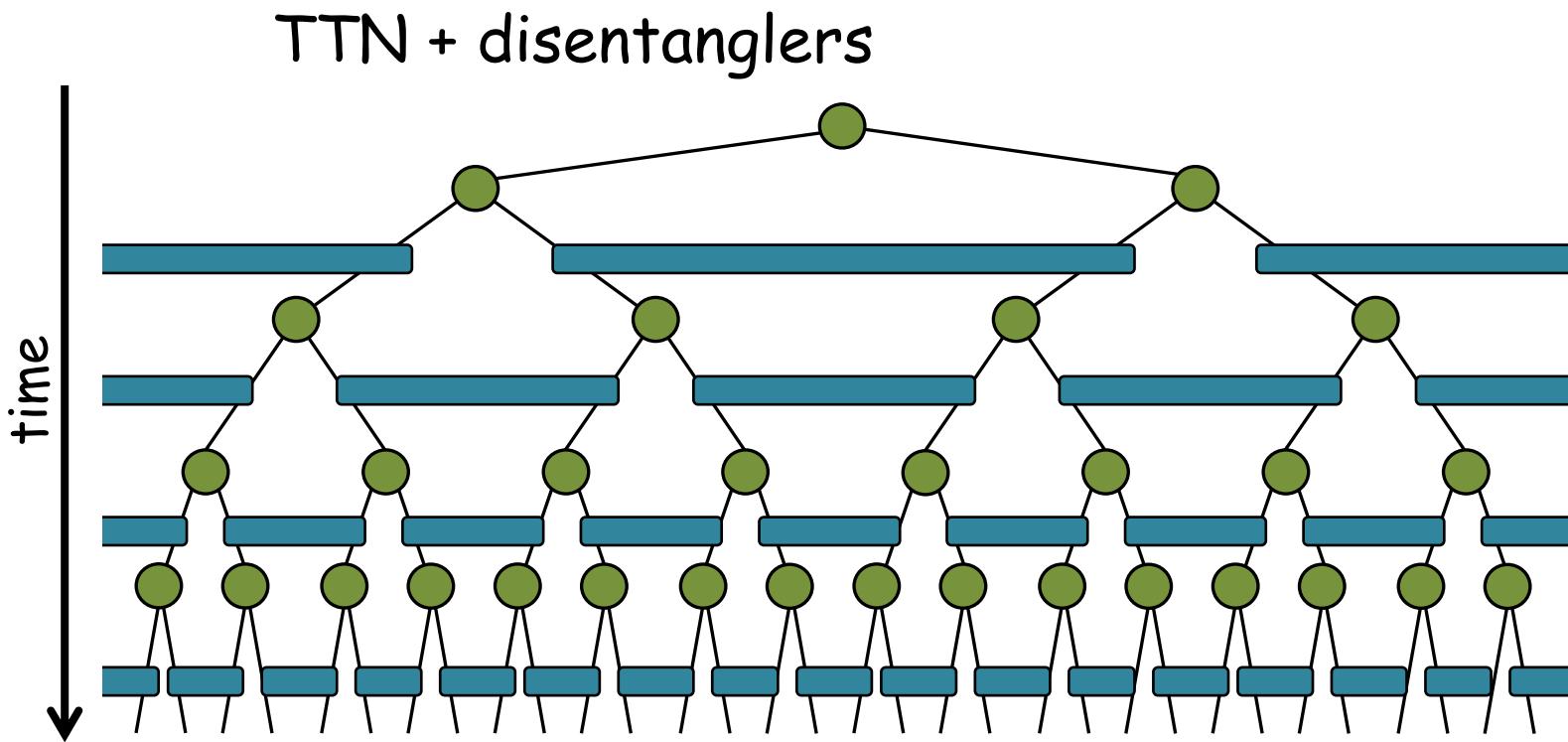
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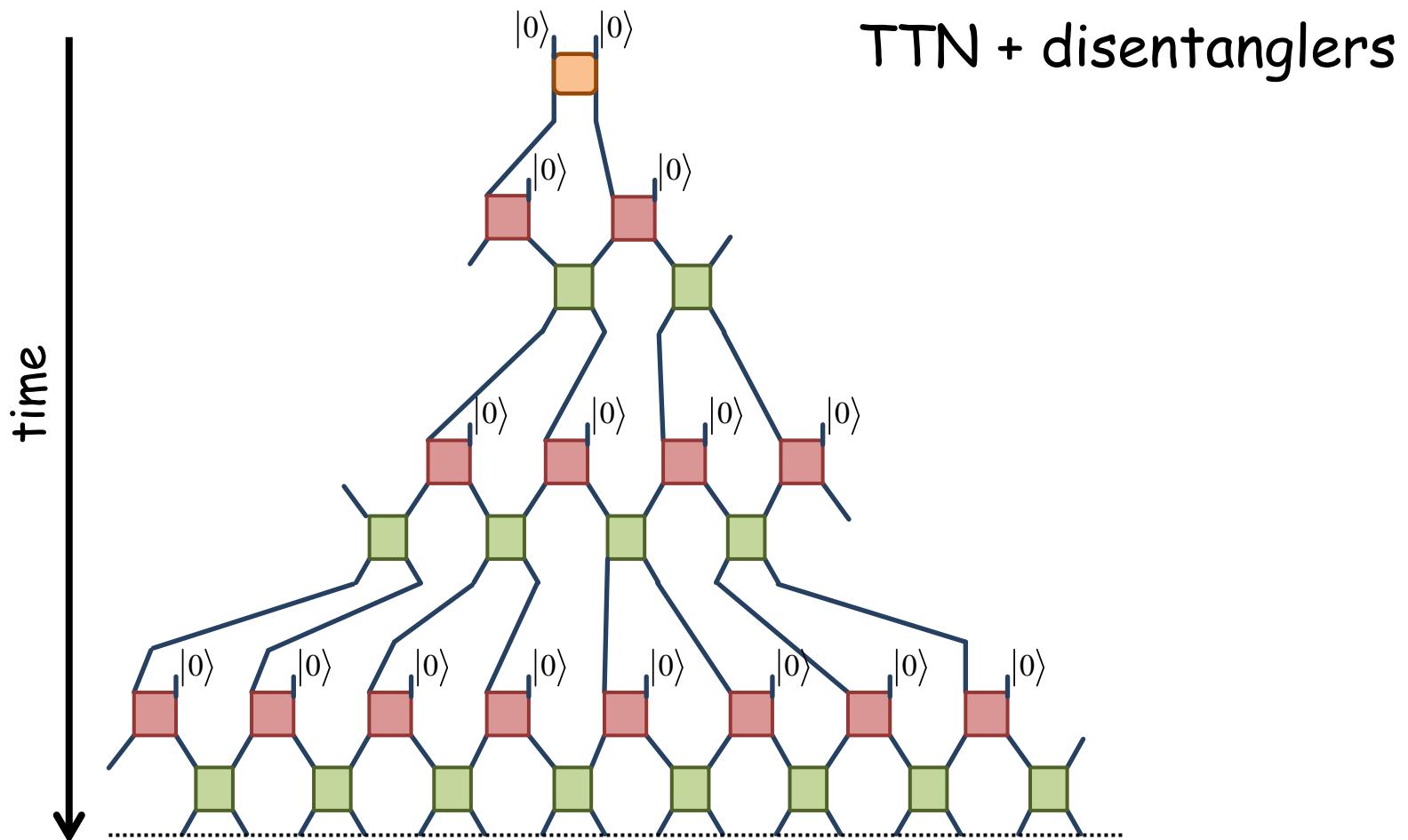
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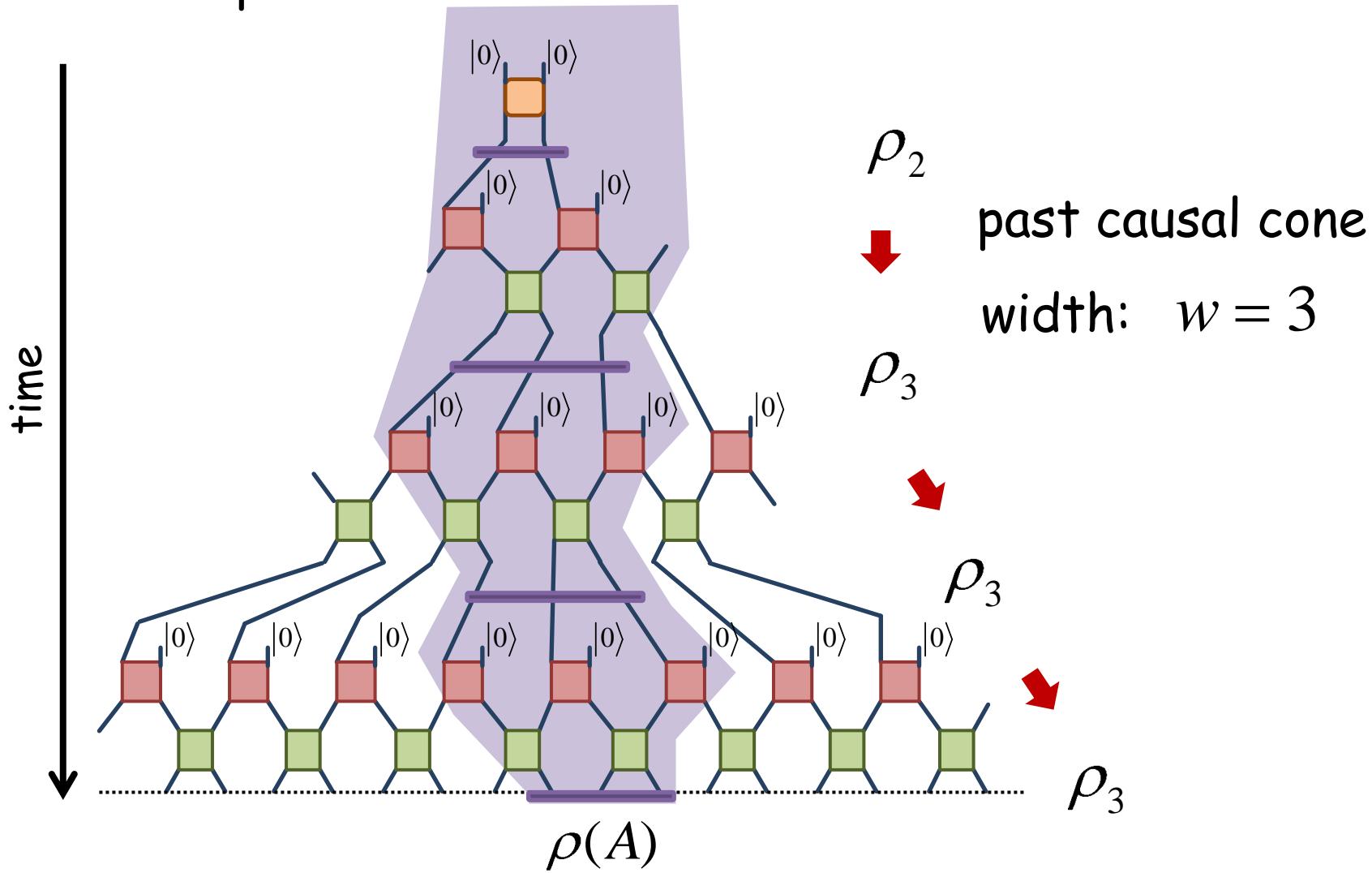
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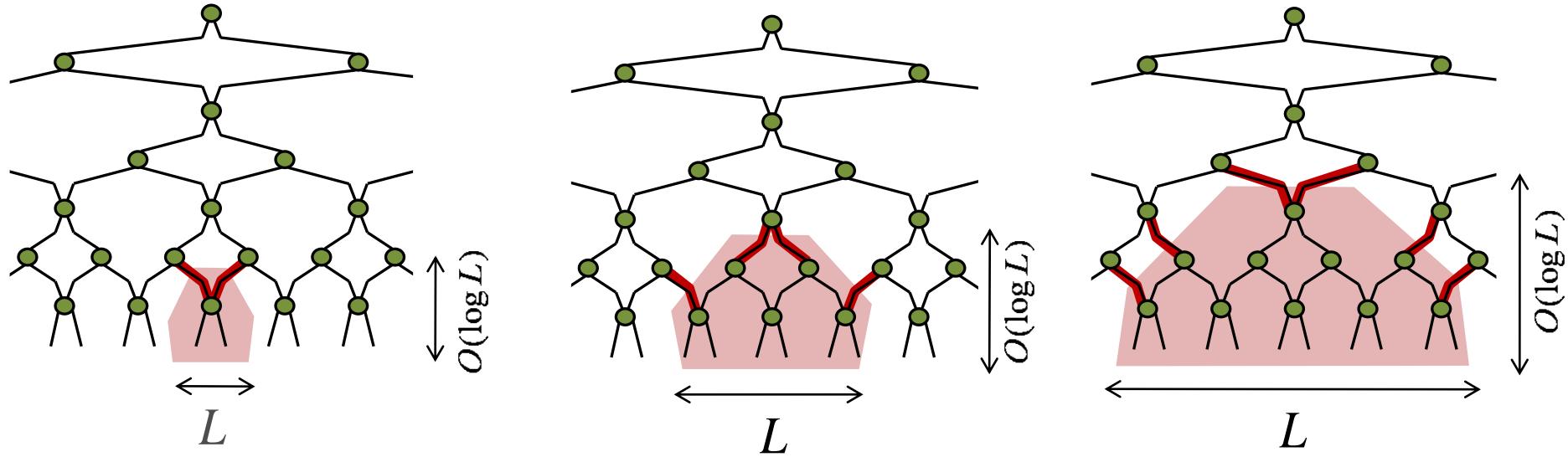


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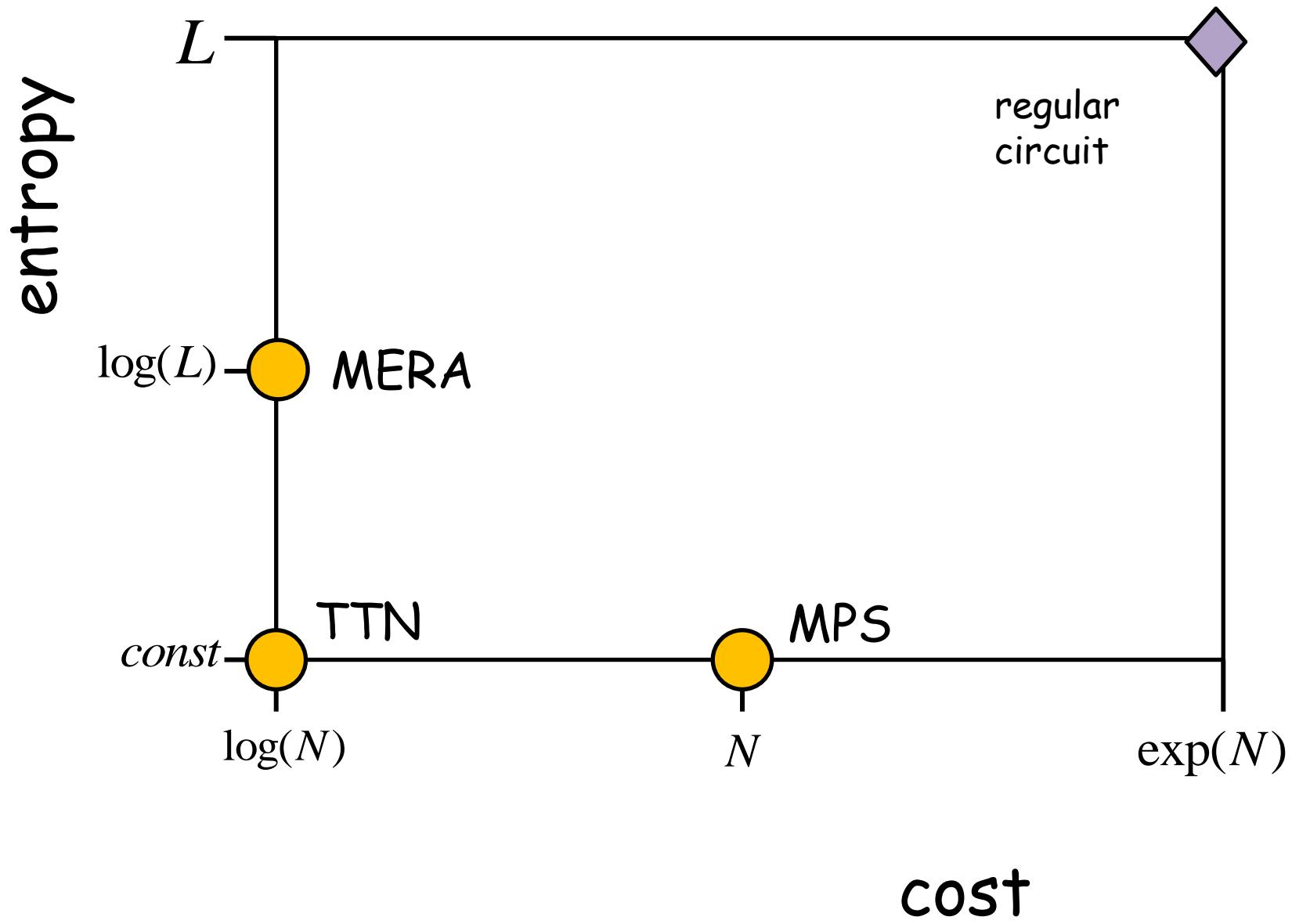
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scaling of entropy:

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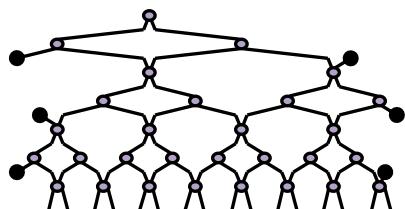
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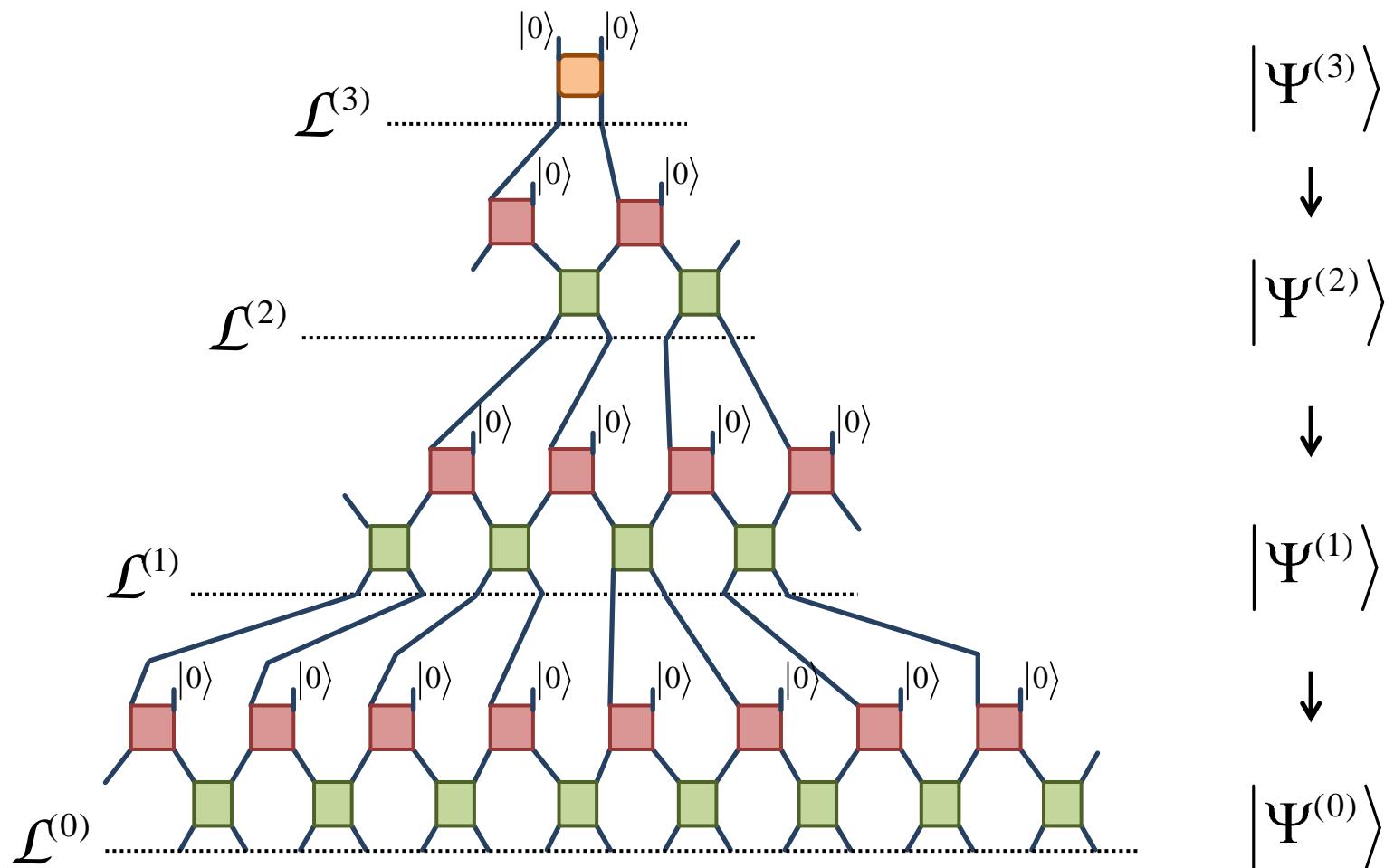
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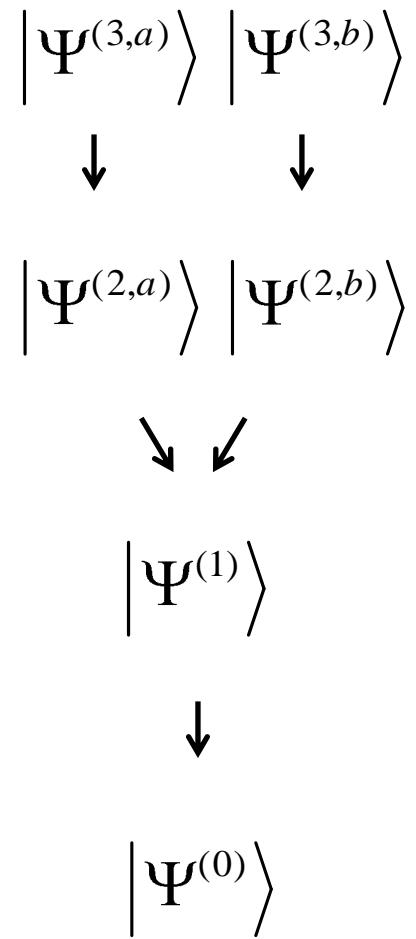
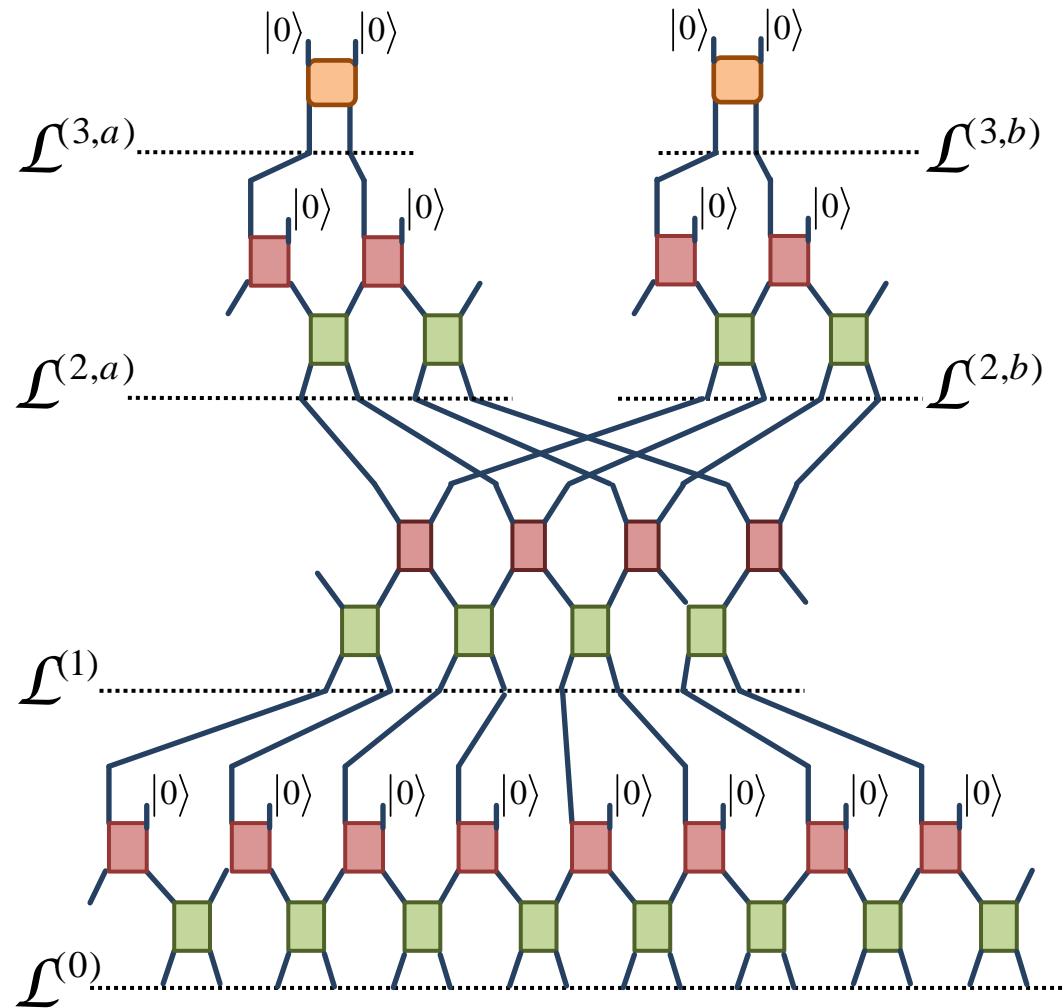
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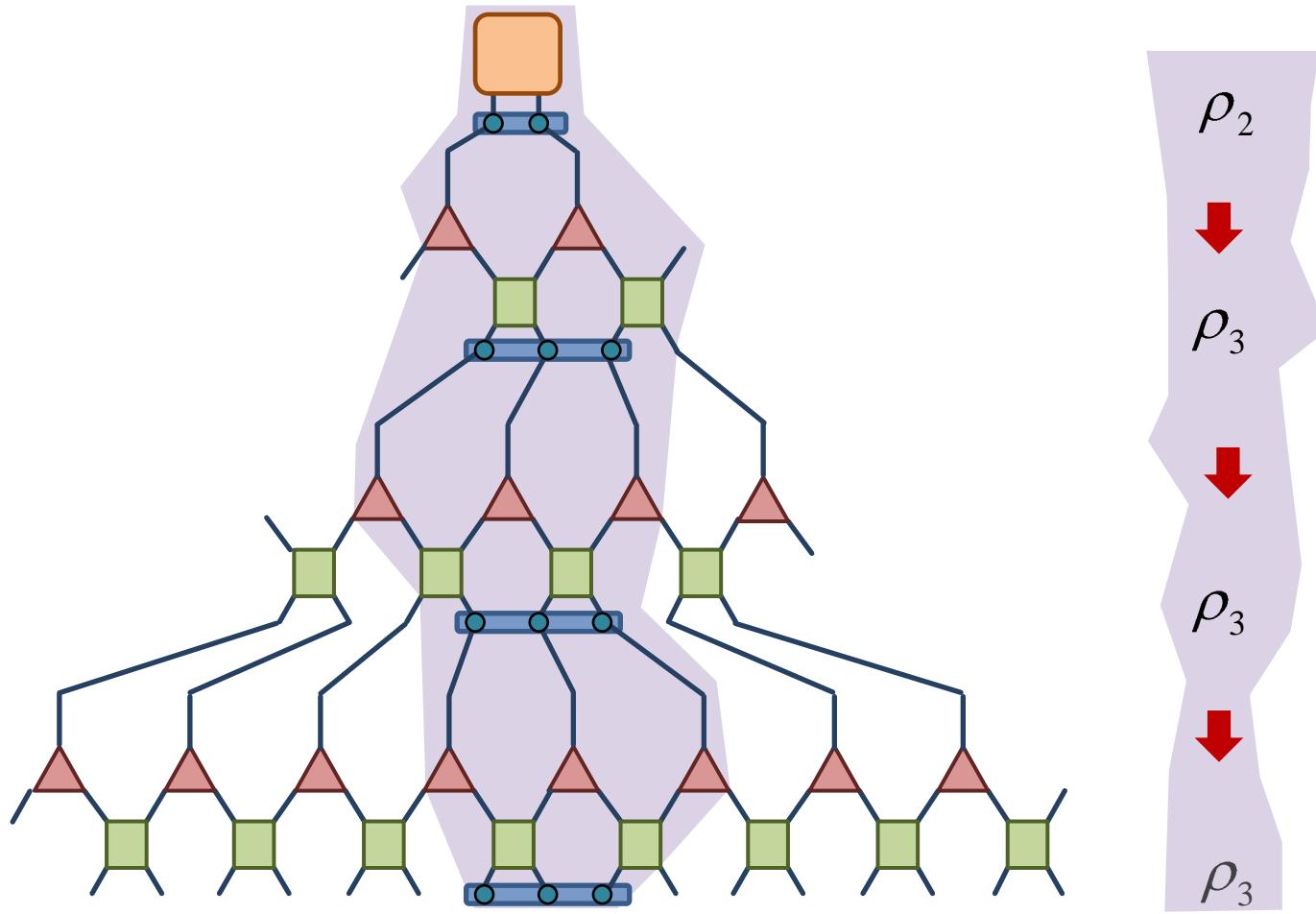


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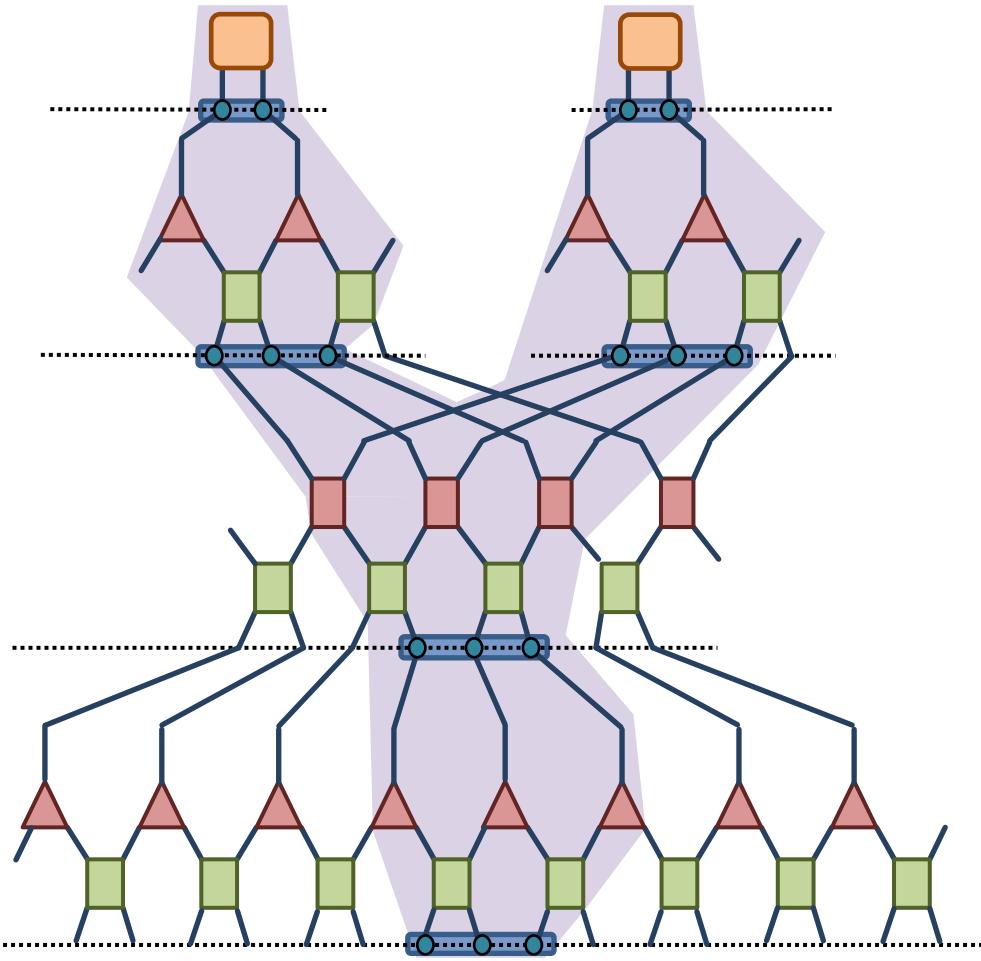
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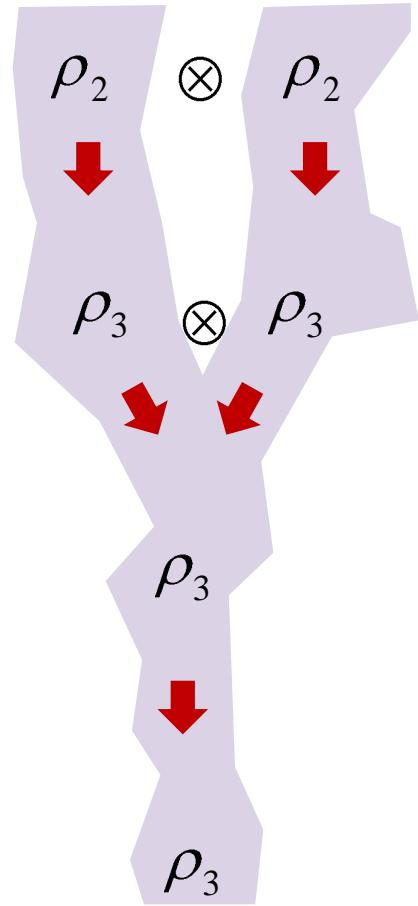
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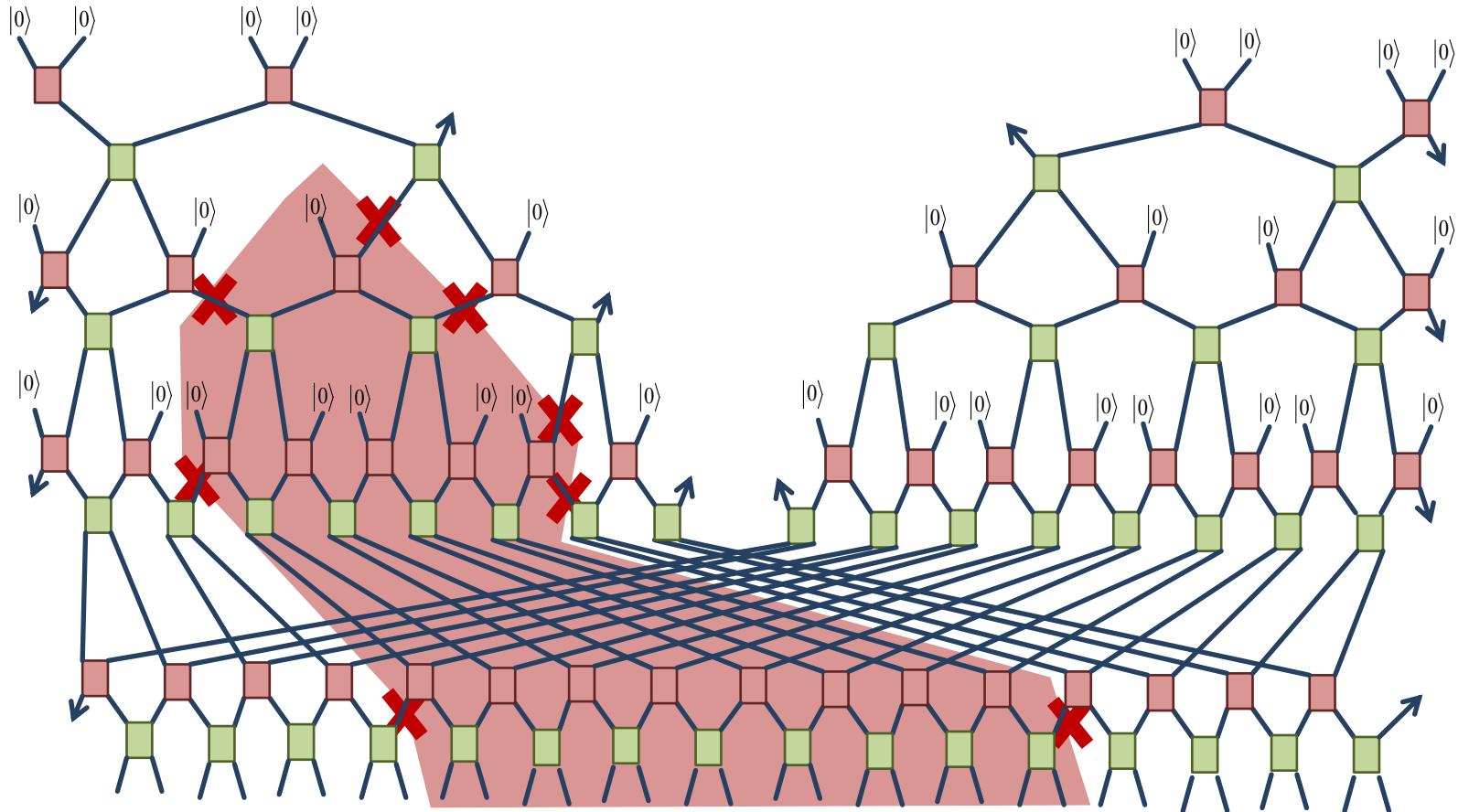
$$c \approx 2 \exp(w)$$

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width:  $w' = 2w$



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# MERA: entanglement entropy

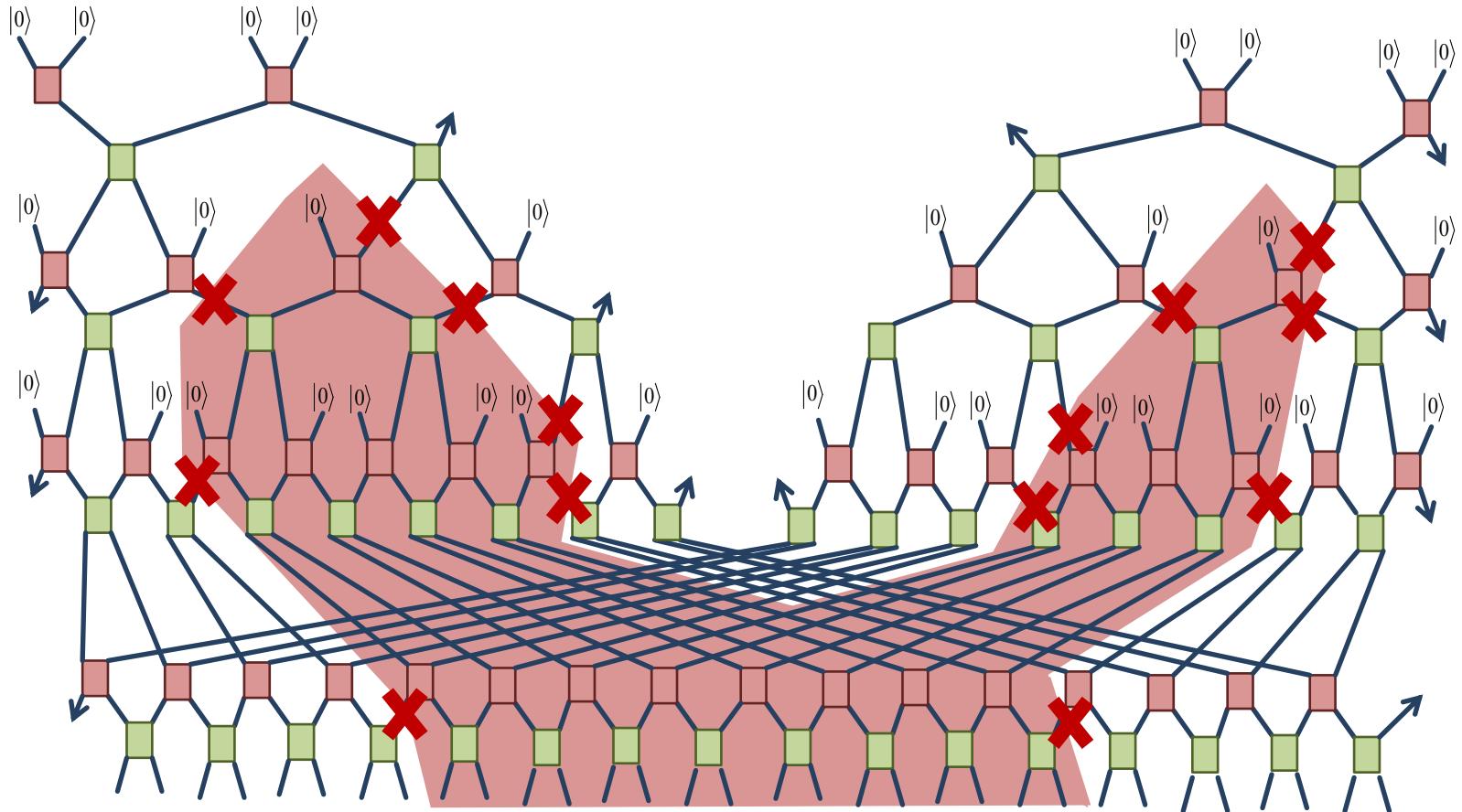


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# Ranking MERA: entanglement entropy

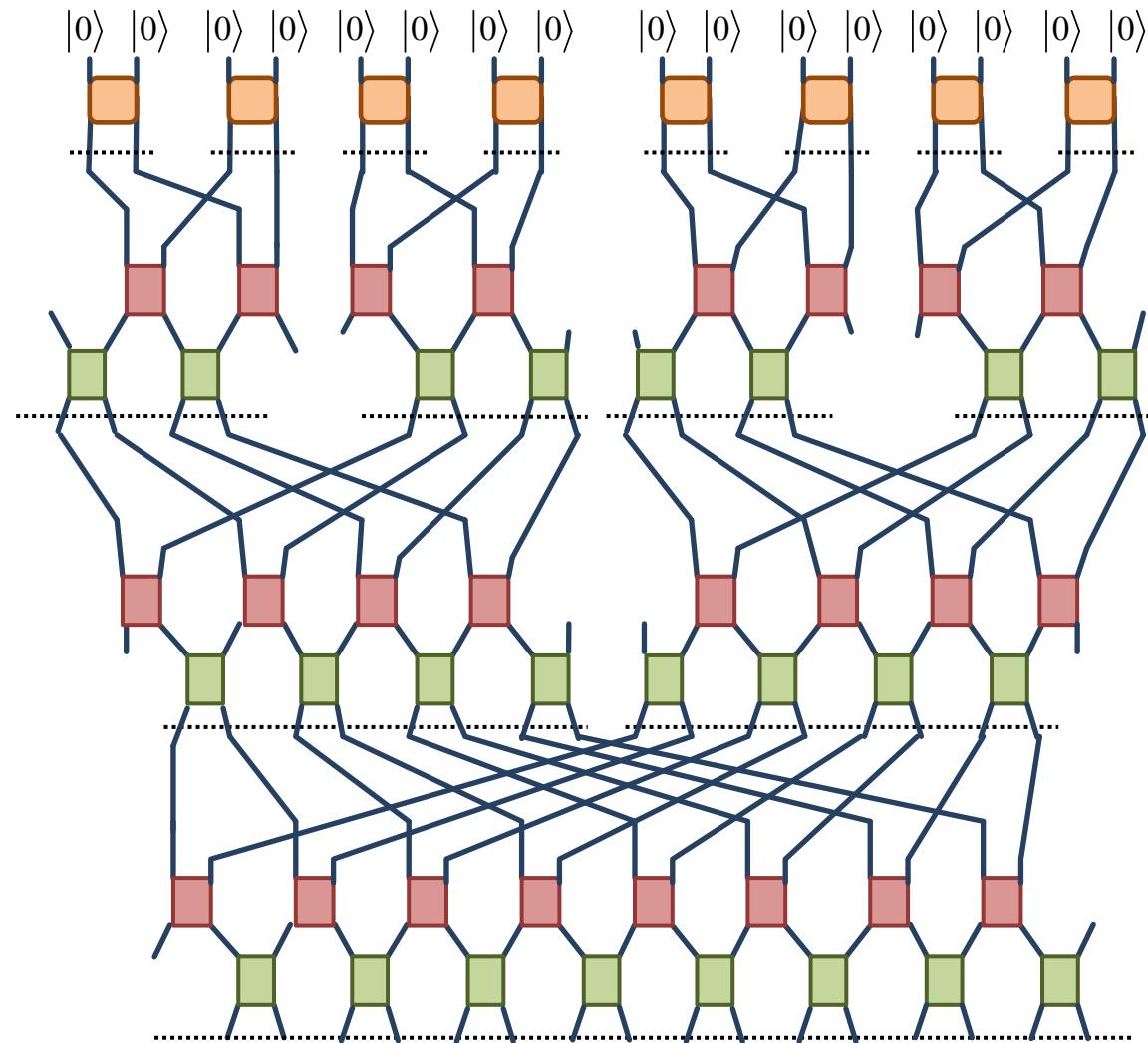


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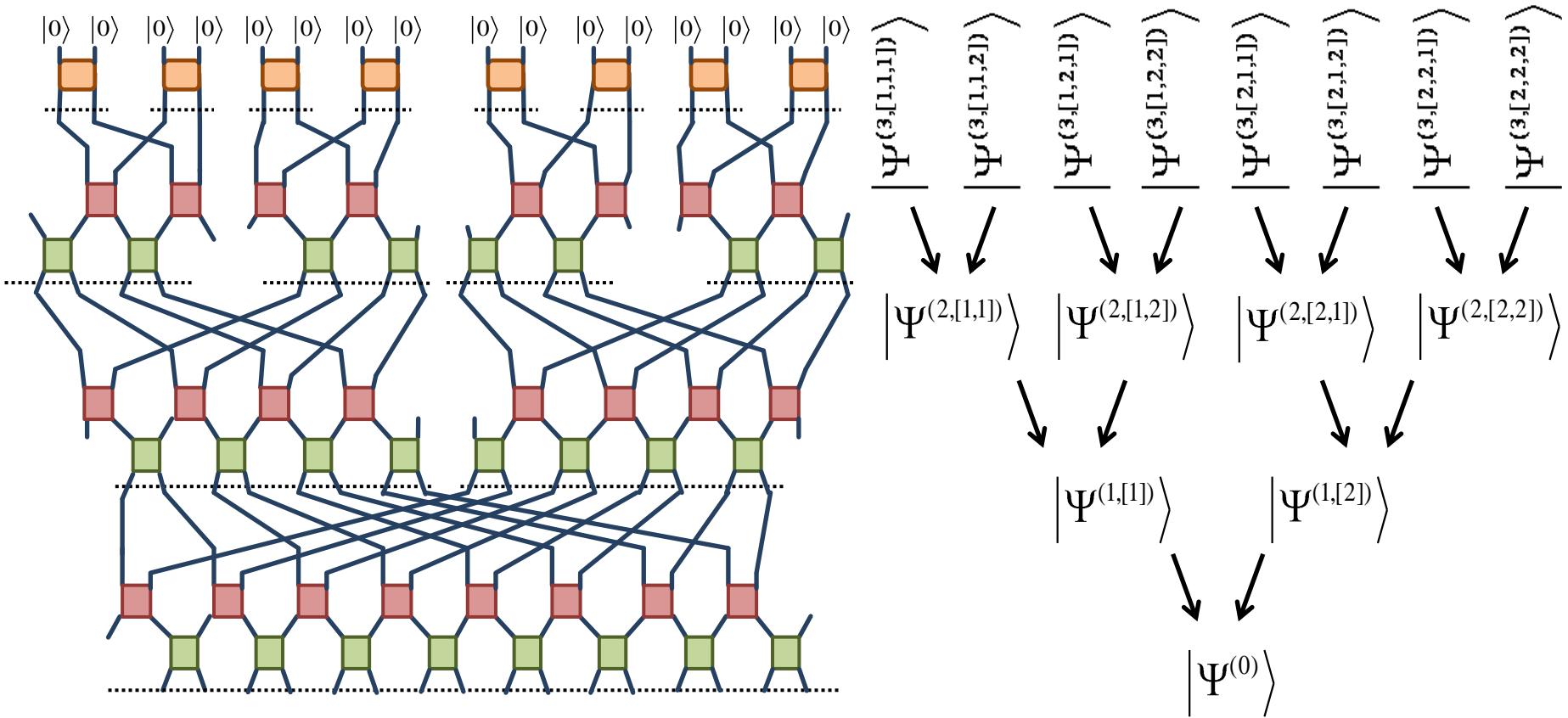
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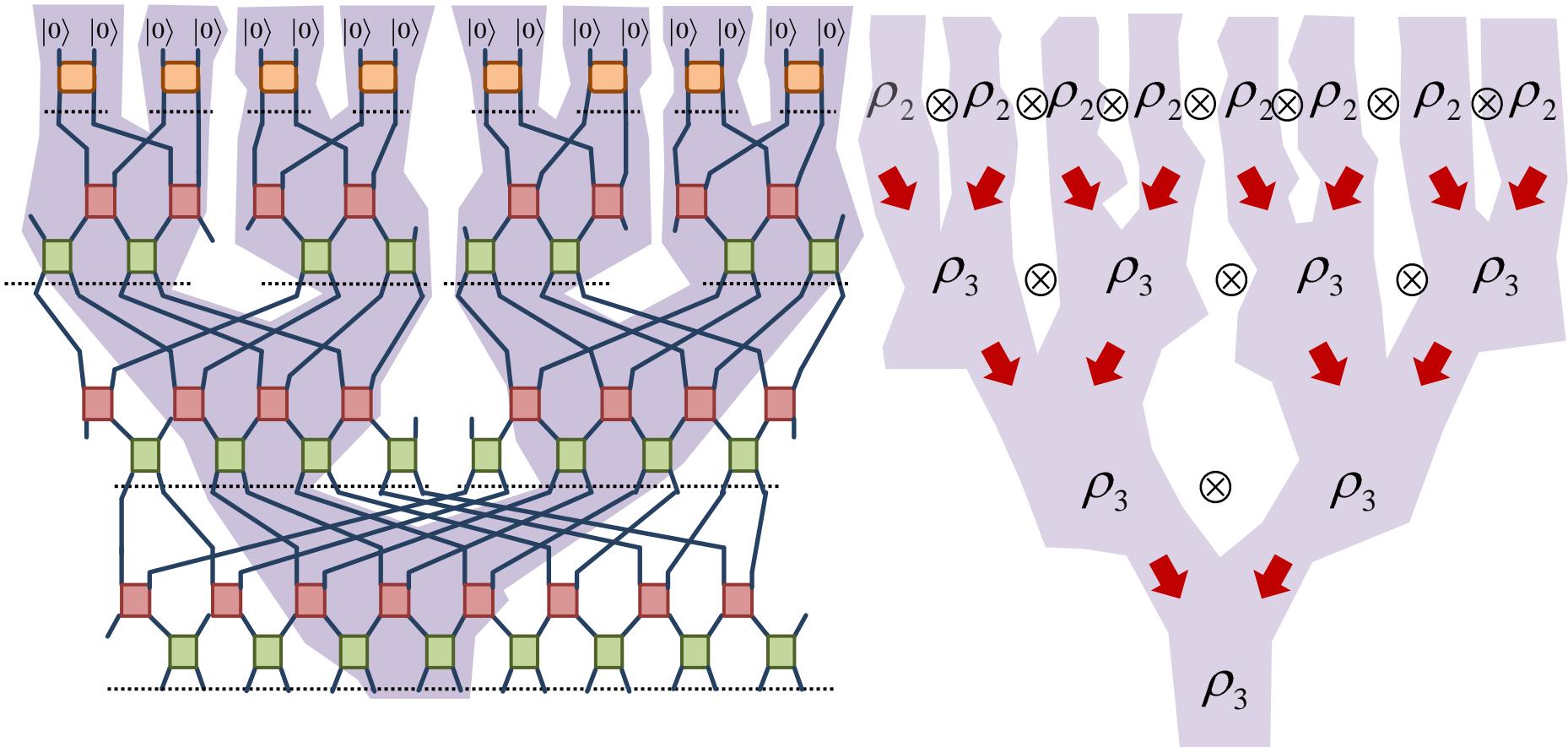


# branching MERA



# branching MERA: computational cost

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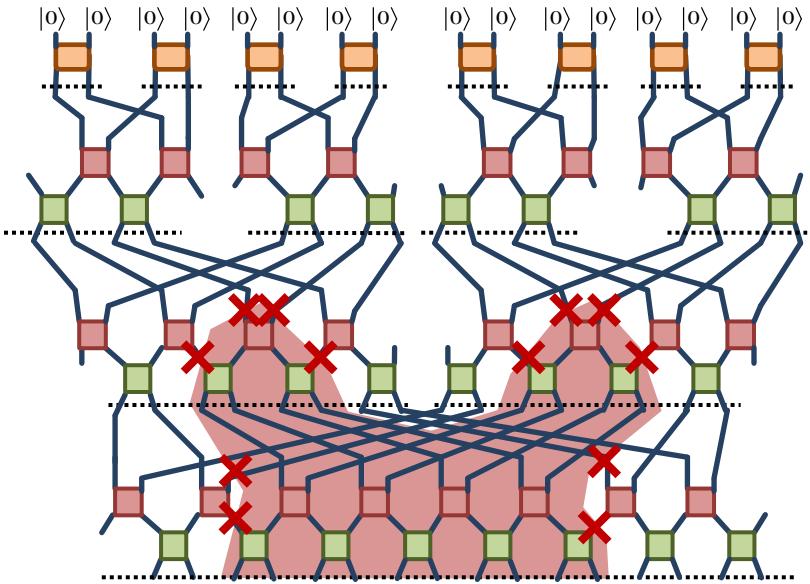
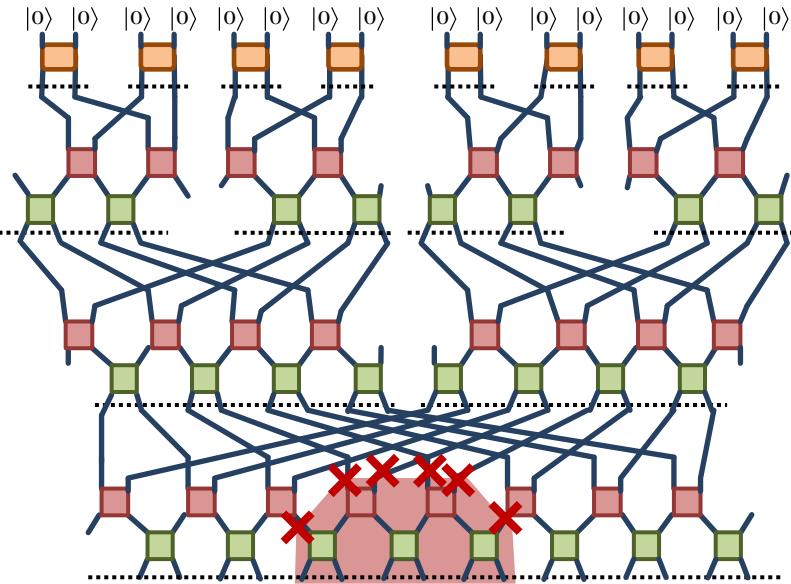


cost of computing  $\rho(A)$ :

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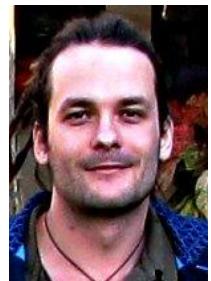
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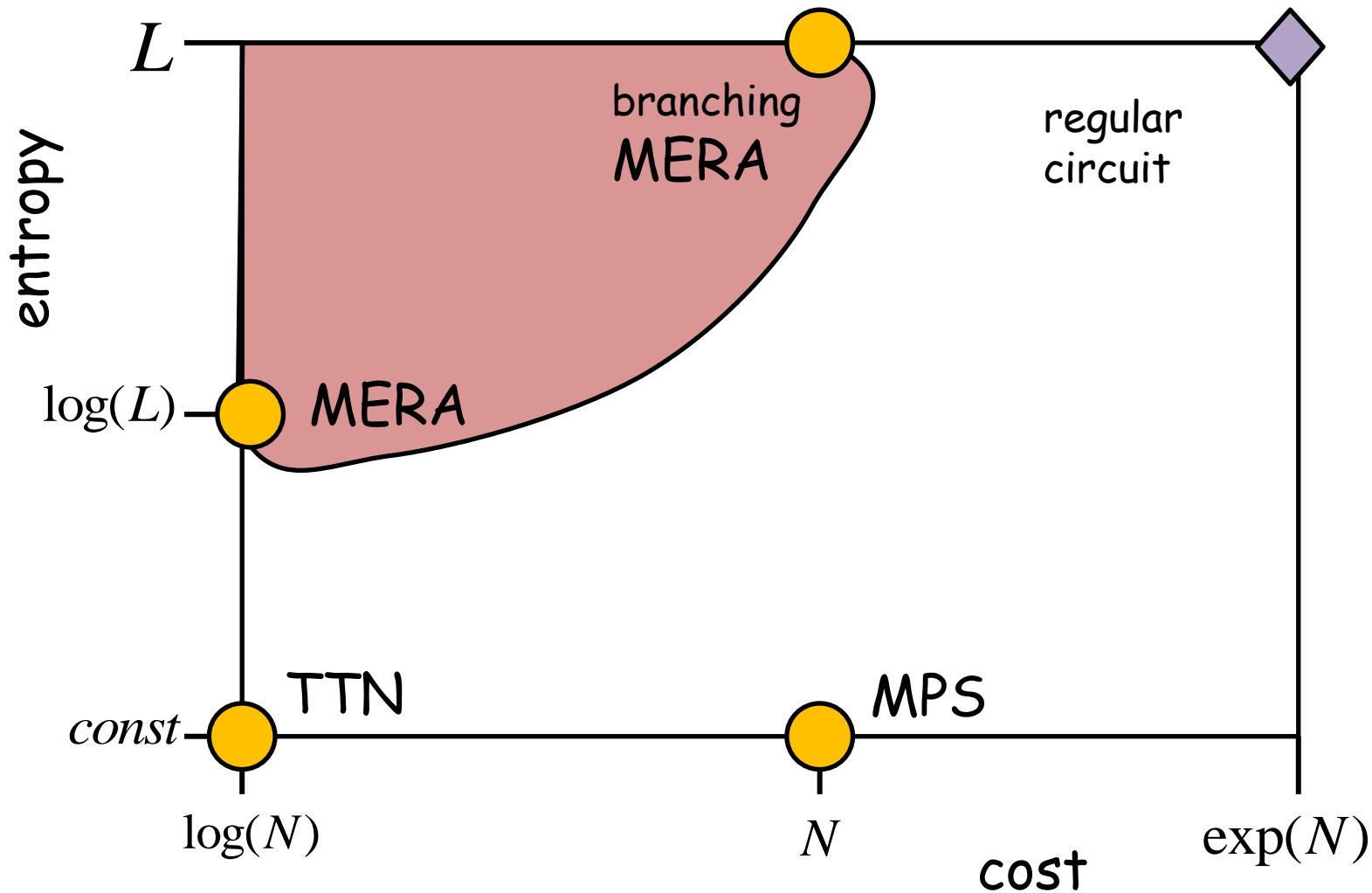
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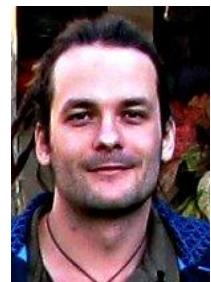


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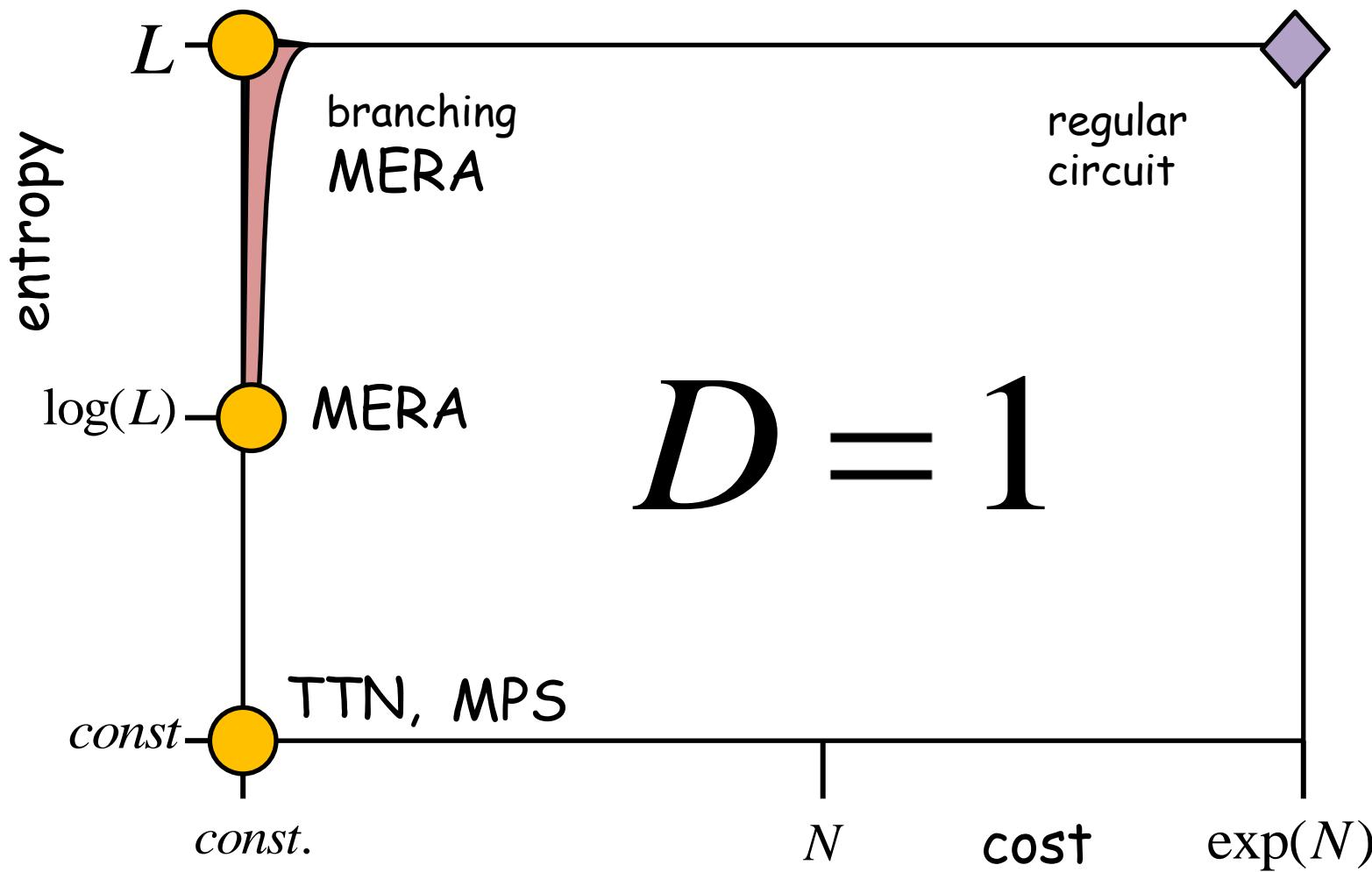


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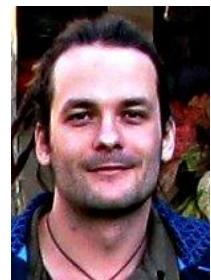
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