

# Approximation Techniques for Special Eigenvalue Problems

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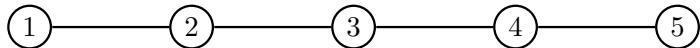
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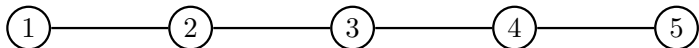
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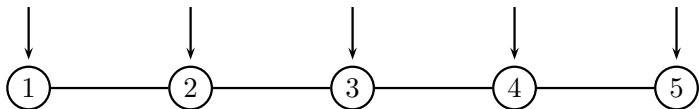
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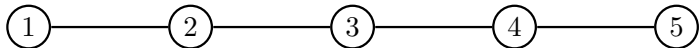
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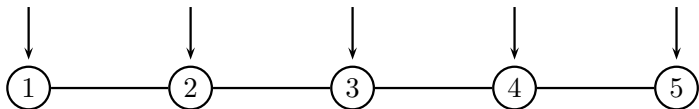
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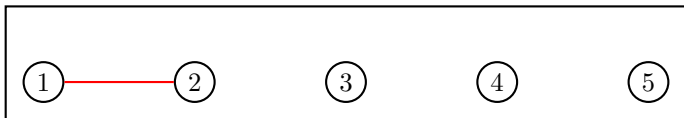
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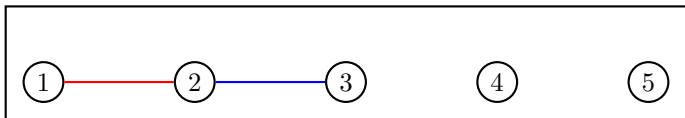
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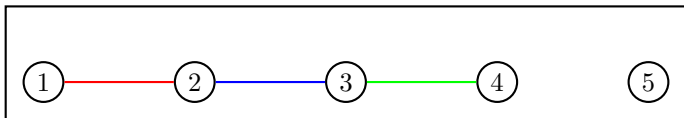
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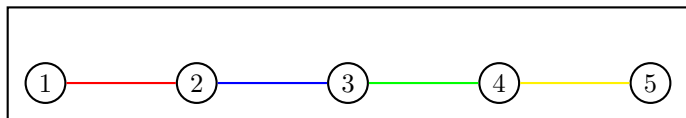
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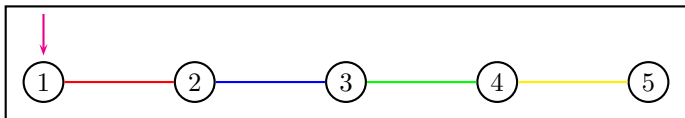
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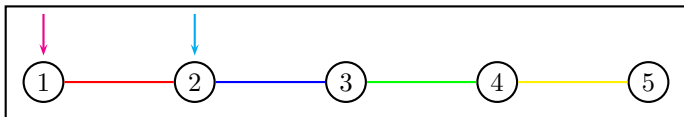
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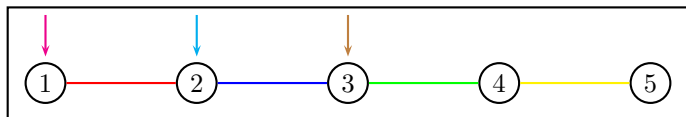
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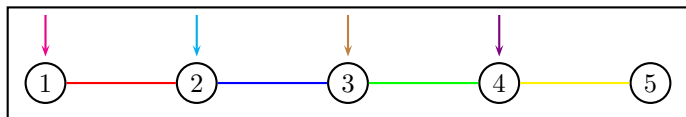
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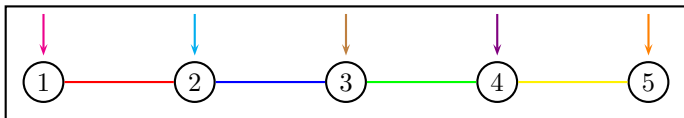


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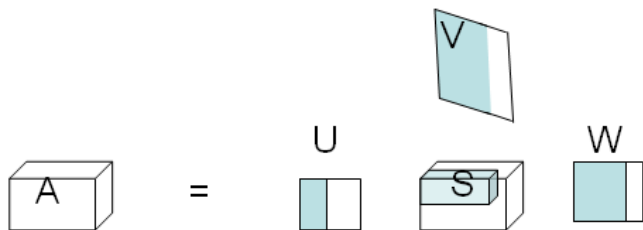
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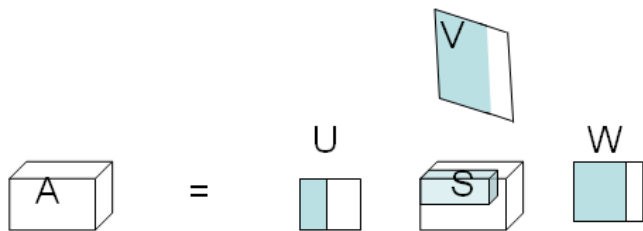
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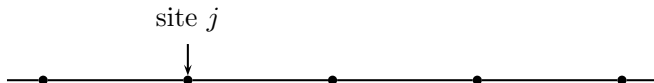


Allows generalizations in several ways: (see [Huckle 2011])

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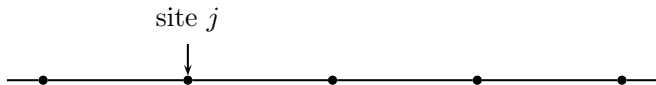
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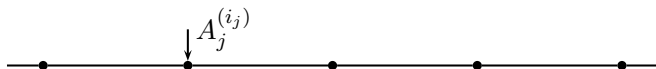


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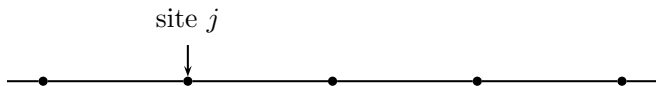
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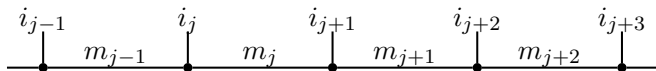


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- Find optimal solution in the subspace  $U_m$
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# Minimization Algorithm in terms of MPS

- Start with initial guesses for the  $A_j^{(i_j)}$  matrices.
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with **effective Hamiltonian**  $R_1$

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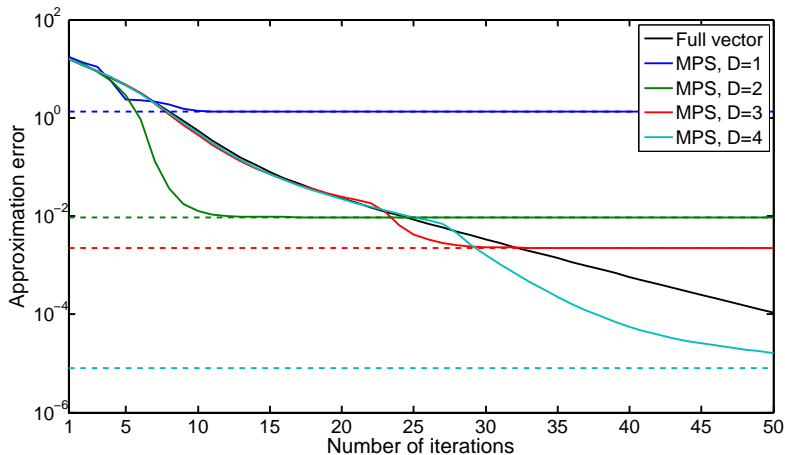
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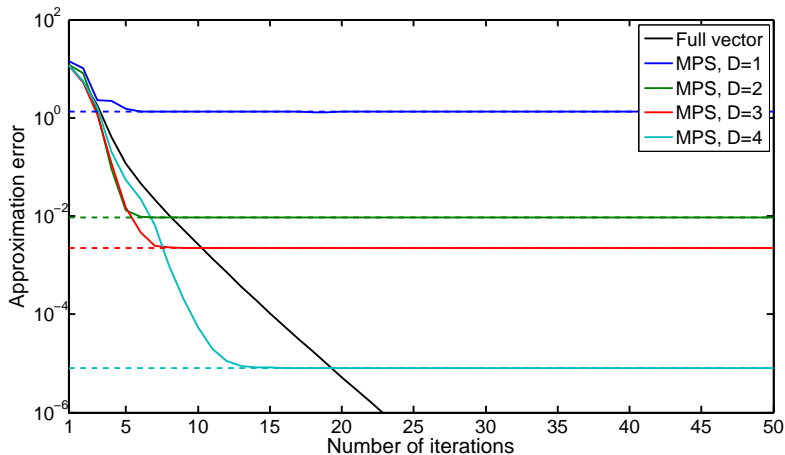
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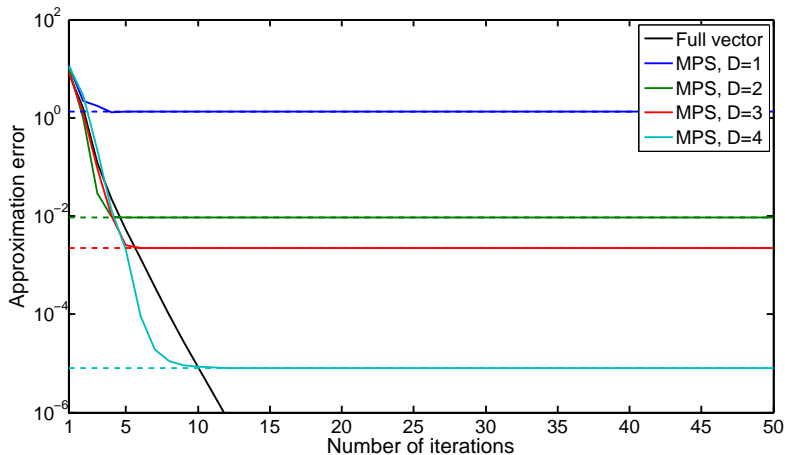
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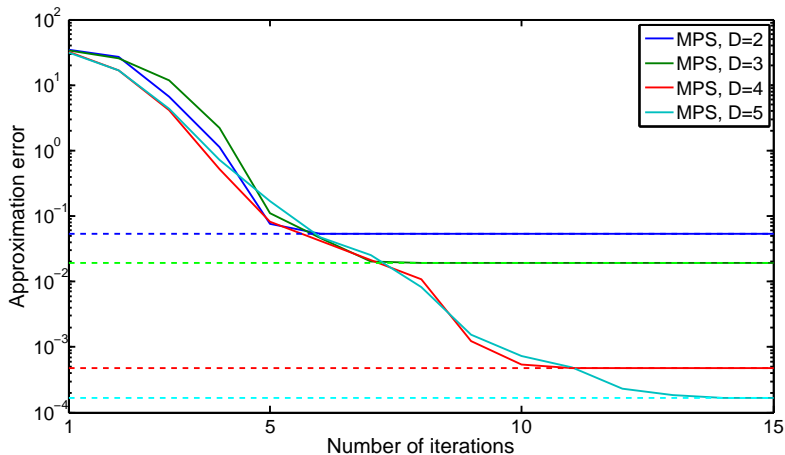
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