# A New Class of Algorithms for Computing Spectra with Error Control

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## Background

- Hilbert space  $l^2(\mathbb{N})$  with  $||x||_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |x_j|^2}$ ,  $\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} x_j \bar{y}_j$
- Bounded linear operator  $A: l^2(\mathbb{N}) \to l^2(\mathbb{N})$  realised as matrix

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Denote these by  $\mathcal{B}(l^2(\mathbb{N}))$ .

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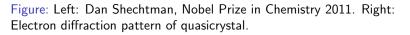
$$Sp(A) := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : A - zI \text{ not invertible}\}.$$

from the matrix elements.

# Motivation

• Quantum mechanics, quasicrystals





• Intensely investigated since the 1950s, still very active today.



Figure: Left: Artur Avila, Fields Medal 2014. Right: Hofstadter butterfly.

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#### Definition 2 (Solvability Complexity Index (SCI))

Solvability Complexity Index,  $SCI(Sp, \Omega)$  is the smallest integer k for which there exists a tower of algorithms of height k. If no such tower exists then  $SCI(Sp, \Omega) = \infty$ .

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• If 
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 write

$$R(z,A) := (A - zI)^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}(I^2(\mathbb{N})).$$

• Operator norm:  $||A|| := \sup_{x:||x||=1} ||Ax||$ .

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- Vast physics literature on Hamiltonians on aperiodic structures.

# Applications of Quasicrystals

- Reinforce steel via coating e.g. machinery, surgical instruments...
- Heat insulation
- LEDs
- Solar absorbers
- Unique electrical properties, optical properties, hardness and nonstick properties...

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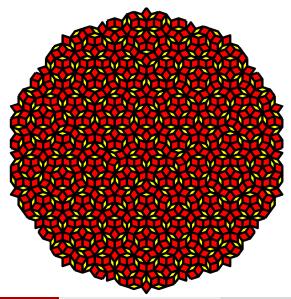


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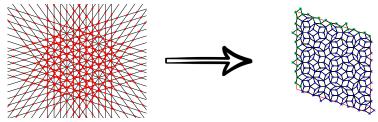
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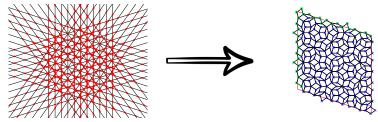
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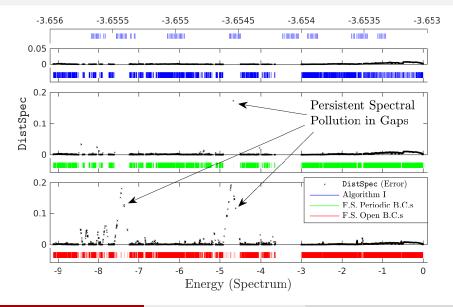


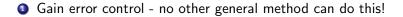
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These represent state of art in literature. Can we beat this?

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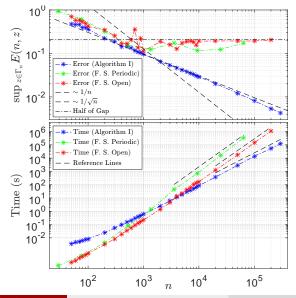
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First algorithm that realises the sharp  $\Sigma_1$  classification - logically impossible to do better.

### Error and Speed Results



Thanks for Listening!