

Nearly Optimal Embeddings of Flat Tori

Technical Proofs

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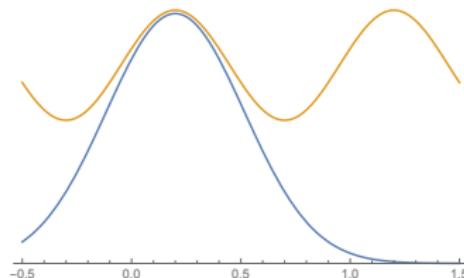
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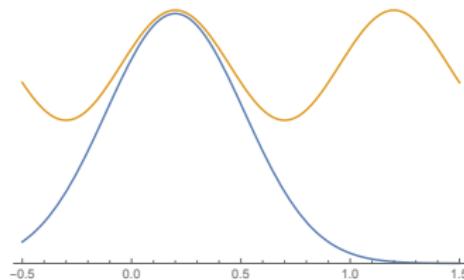


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Expansion of The Partitioning Embedding

Although CV could change in each compressed projection, this only leads to shorter embedded distance and does not harm expansion.

The expansion is easily $\leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{1-\alpha^2}}$ thanks to the geometric series (and square root due to using ℓ_2 tuple).

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