

# Non-negative rank of $\epsilon$ -perturbed matrices

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- ▶ There exists a **non-explicit**  $f$  with  $\text{sep}(f) \geq 2^{\Omega(n)}$  [H'19]

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