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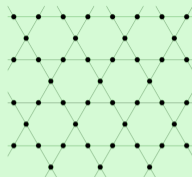
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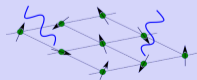
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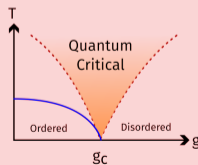
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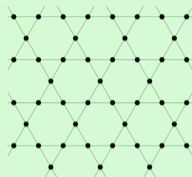
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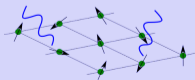
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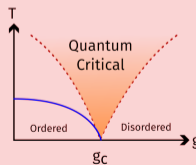
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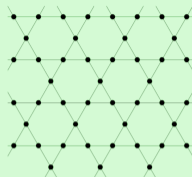
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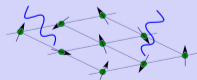
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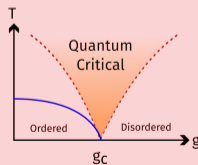
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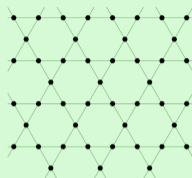
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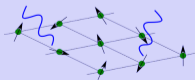
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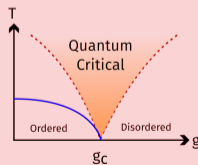
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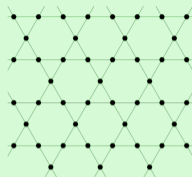
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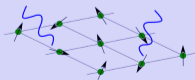
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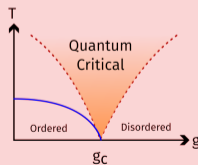
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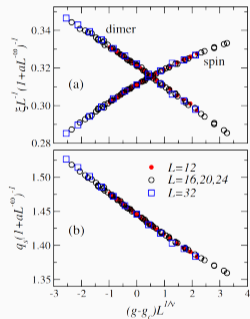


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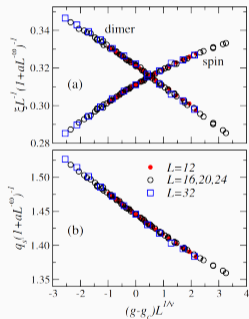


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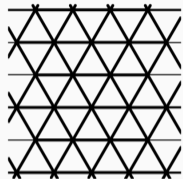
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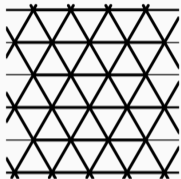
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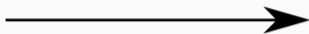


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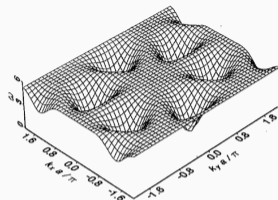
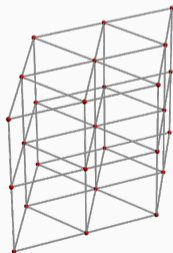
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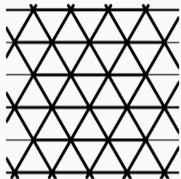
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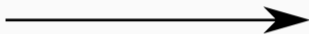
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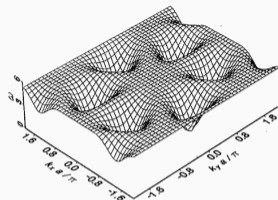
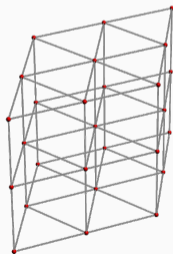
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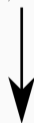
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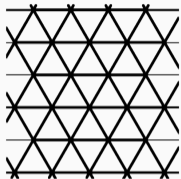
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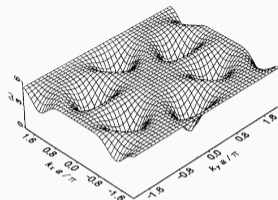
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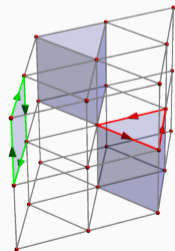
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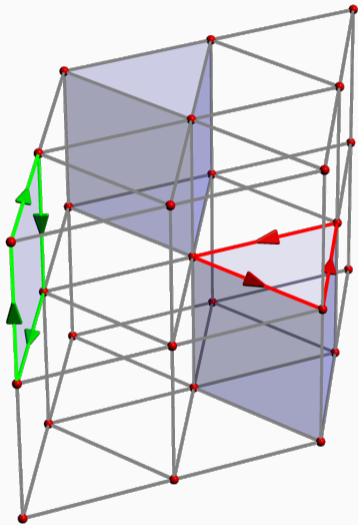
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Exact sign-problem free mapping, preserves emergent $O(4)$ symmetry



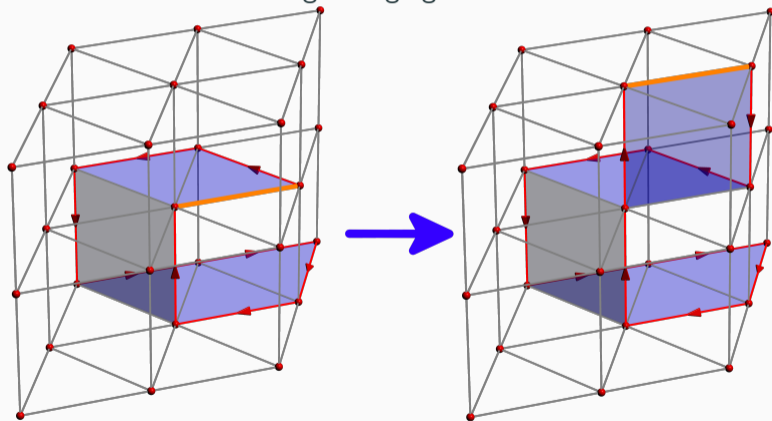
Duality transformation for bosons coupled to \mathbb{Z}_2 gauge fields



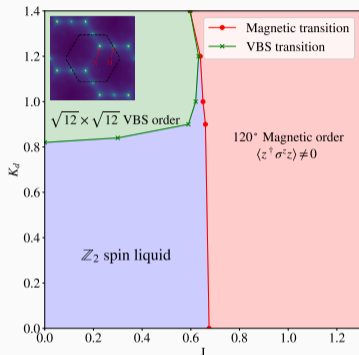
- Generalization of bosonic “world-lines”
- odd world-lines must contain surfaces of gauge flux
- Berry phase contributes frustration in the surface action
- AF order = current proliferation, asymmetry in different current flavors

Worm algorithms difficult with gauge fluctuations

“Surface worm algorithm” allows for growth of ligaments, but is insufficient for avoiding diverging correlation time

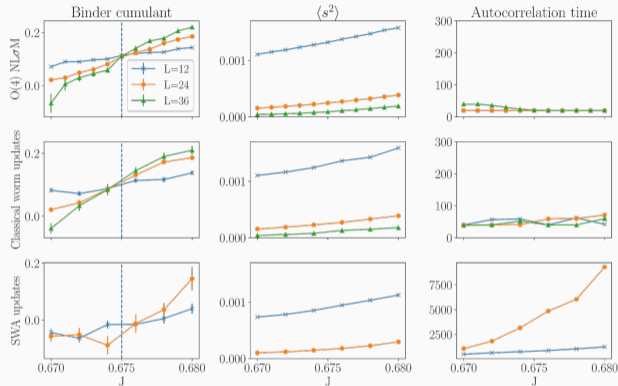
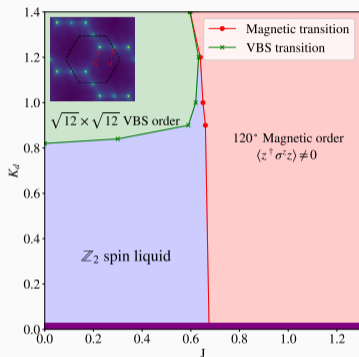


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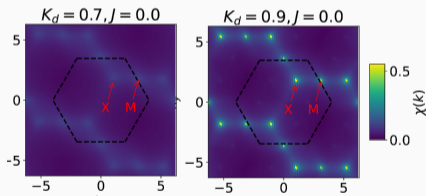
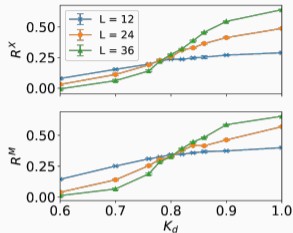
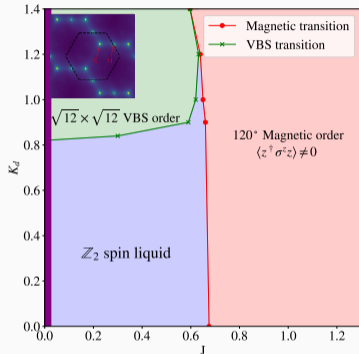
- VBS order only commensurate with system sizes multiples of 12
- Surprisingly technical simulation - geometrically complex and no “obvious” bottleneck
- Wolff cluster update utilized on gauge DOFs in addition to SWA

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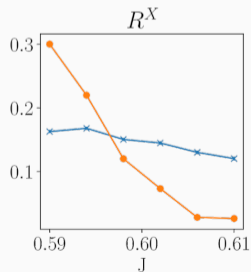
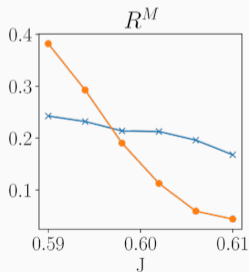
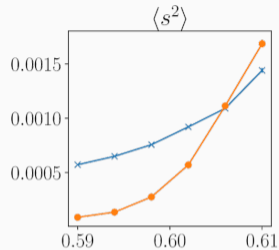
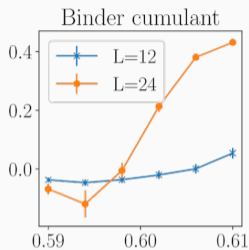
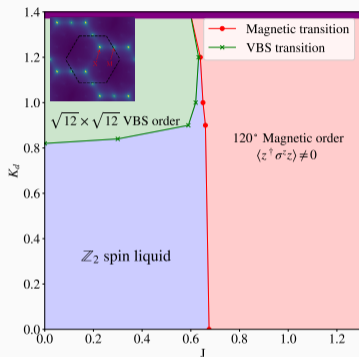


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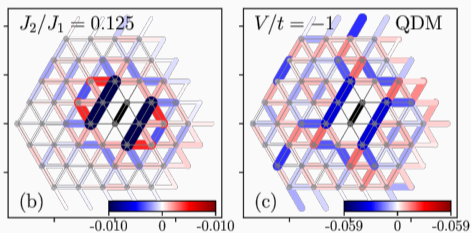
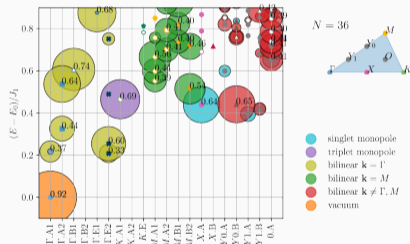


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Applications to Heisenberg models

Low-energy spectrum of $J_1 - J_2$ model has high overlap with Dirac spin liquid and $\sqrt{12} \times \sqrt{12}$ VBS (Wietek, arXiv:2303.01585)



AF to VBS transition described by Dirac spin liquid (Jian, Phys. Rev. B 97, 195115)

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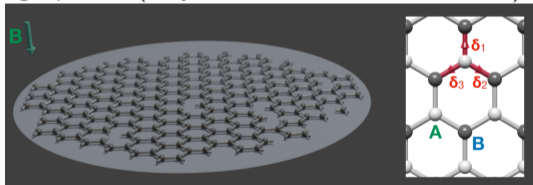
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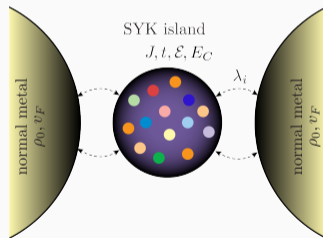
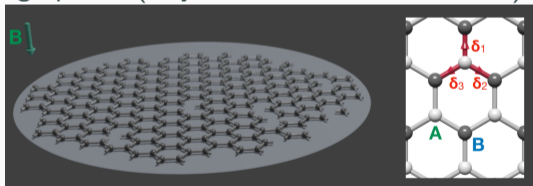


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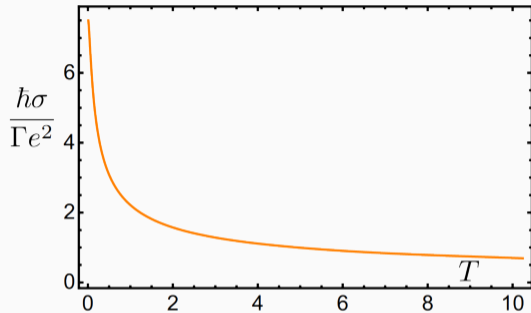
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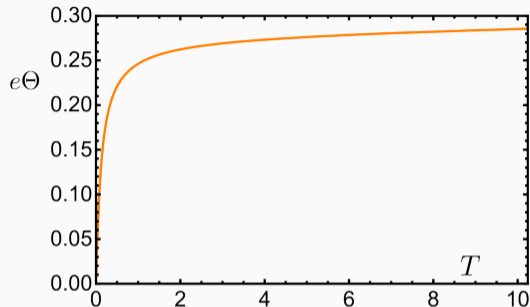


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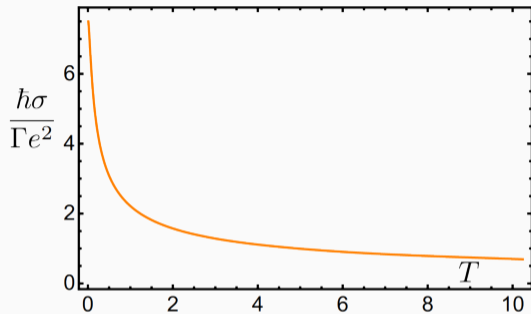
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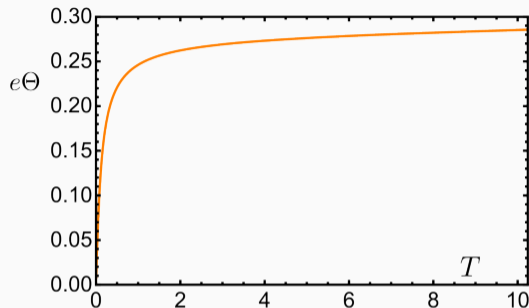
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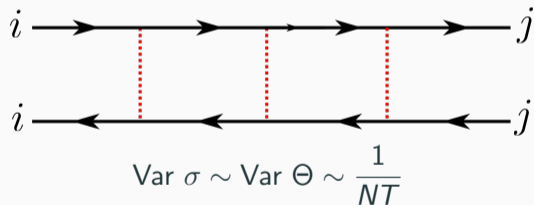


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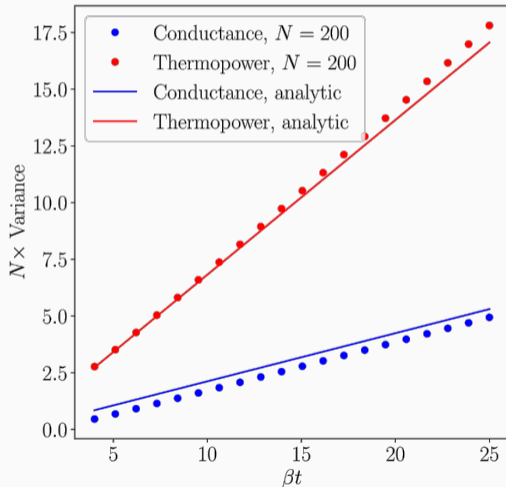
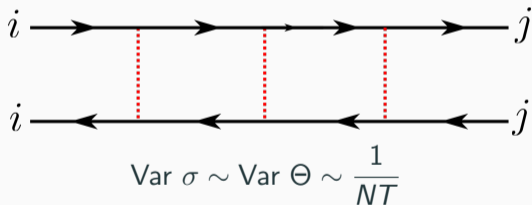
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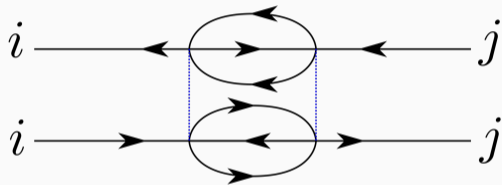


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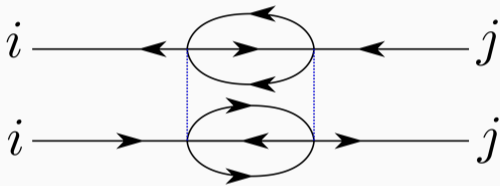
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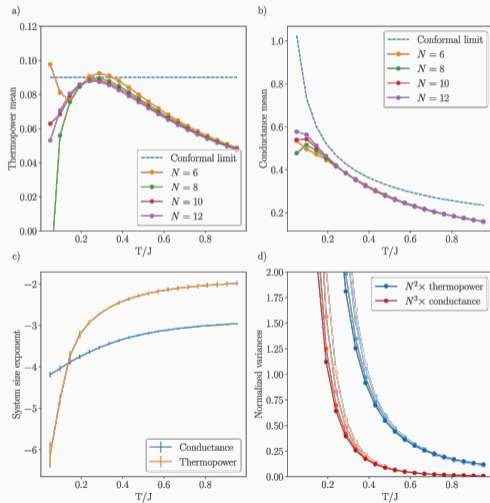
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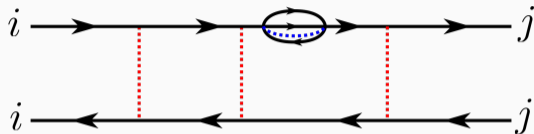
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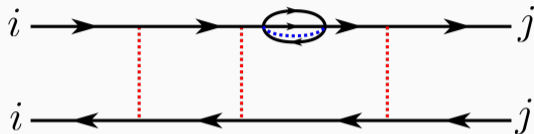
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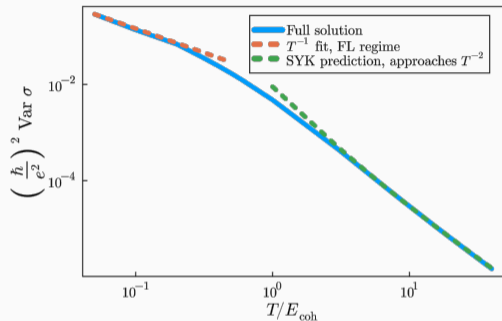
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T^{-1} to T^{-2} crossover signals SYK physics

- These results worked within an *equilibrium* setting - can we do better? Recover UCF as $T \rightarrow 0$?
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