

# Numerical linked-cluster expansion approach for strongly-correlated electronic systems

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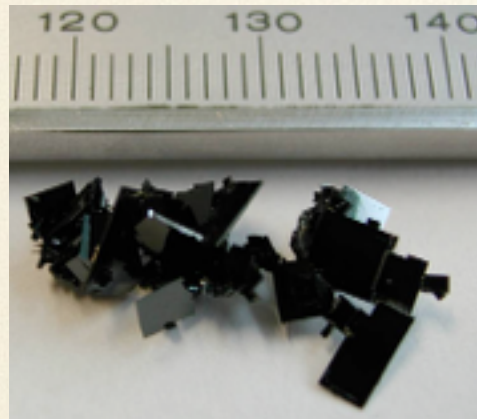


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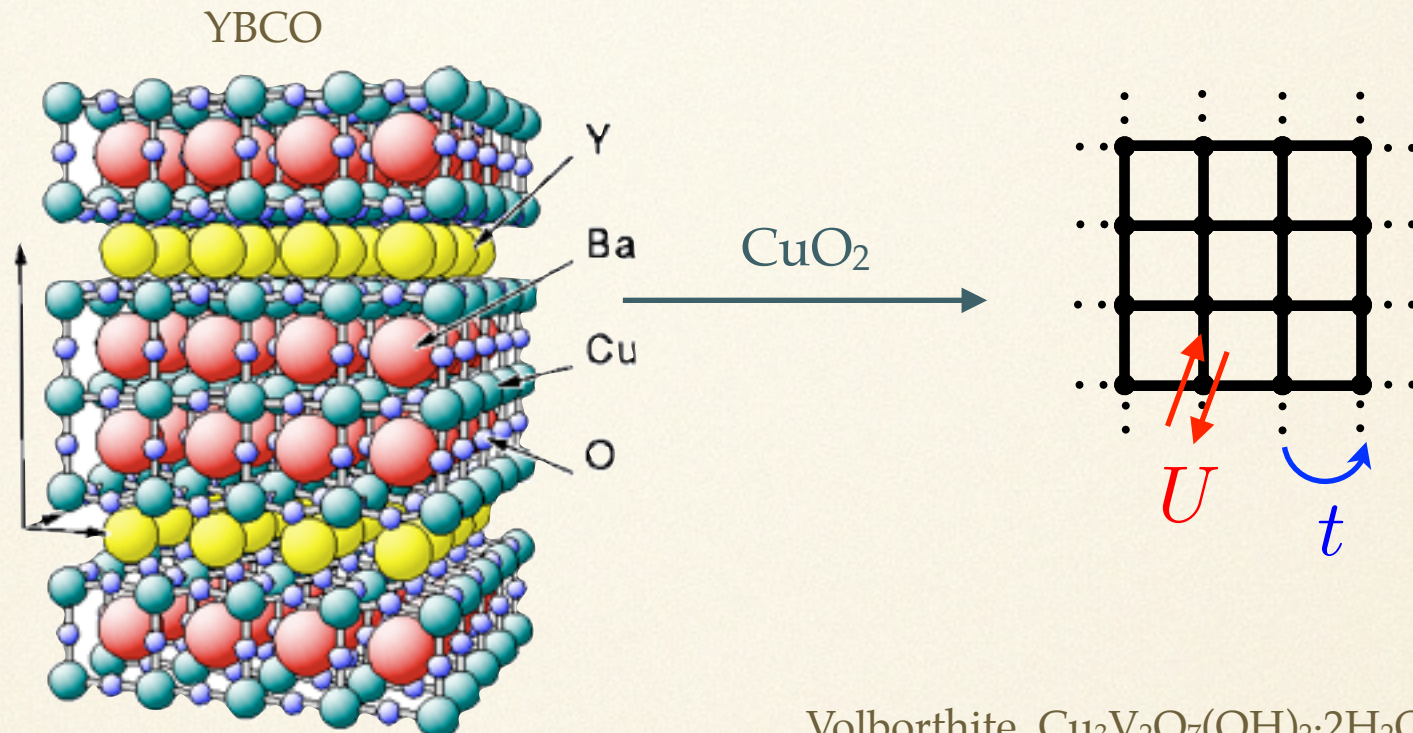
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# Quantum lattice models

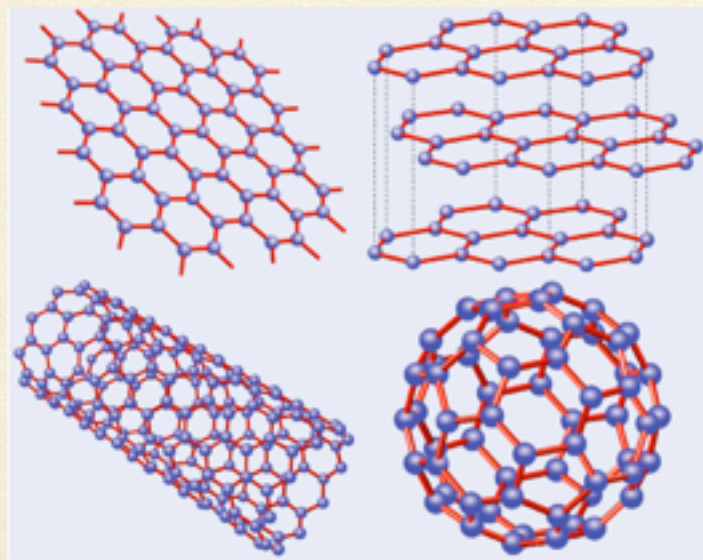


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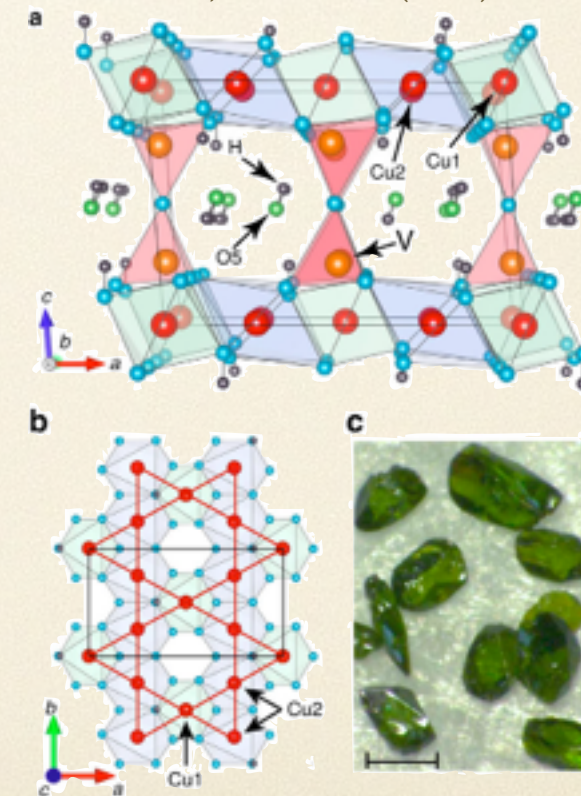
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## Graphene



Physics World 19, 33–37 (2006)

## Volborthite, $\text{Cu}_3\text{V}_2\text{O}_7(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$



Yoshida et al., Nature Communications 3, 860 (2012)

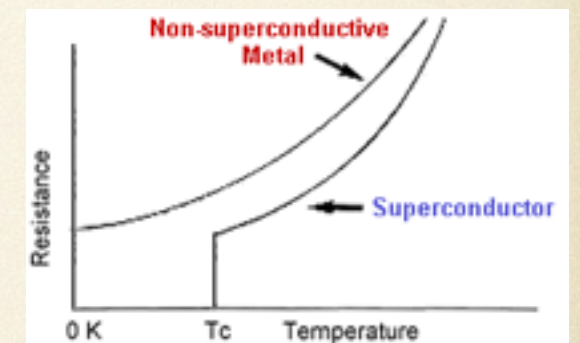


# Strongly-correlated electronic systems

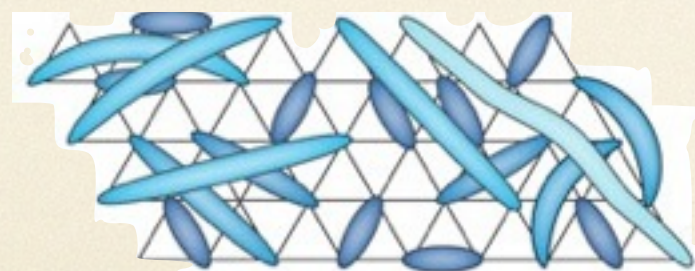
- When the Coulomb interaction between electrons plays an important role.
- Exotic phenomena:
  - Mott insulating
  - Superconductivity
  - Superfluidity
  - Spin liquid



Superconductor

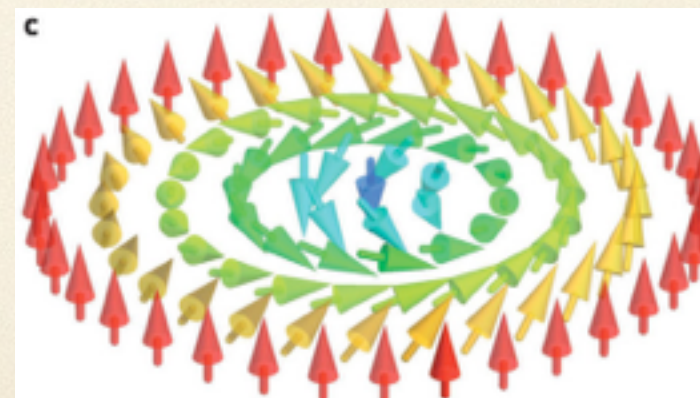


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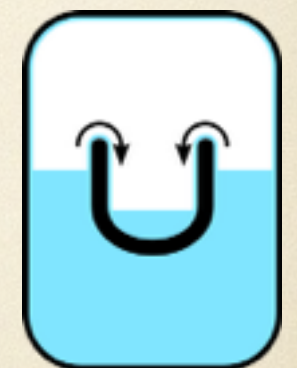
L. Balents, Nature **464**, 199 (2010)

Skyrmion



Nature Physics **7**, 673 (2011)

Superfluid





# Computational methods

- Quantum Monte Carlo based simulations

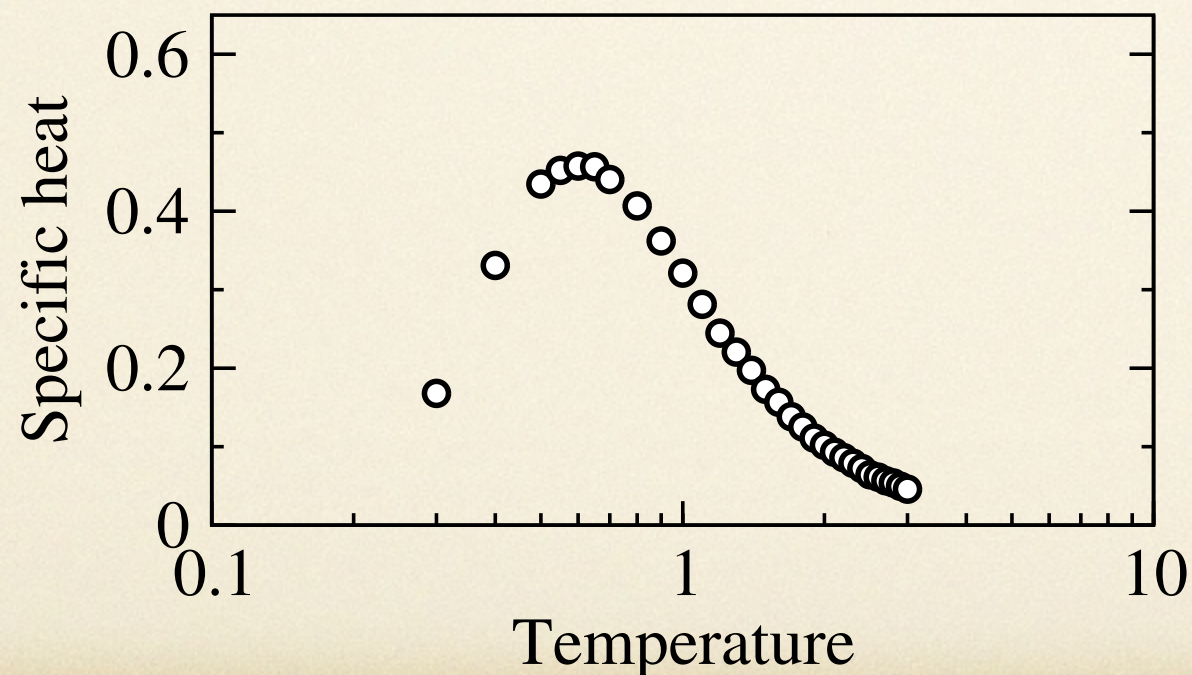
Large system sizes because of the polynomial scaling => Finite size scaling

Limited number of models

Sign problem (less severe with mean-field)

AF Heisenberg model on square lattice:

$$H = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$$



- QMC (256×256)  
(Stefan Wessel)



# Computational methods

- High-temperature expansions (HTE)

Can be used for any model

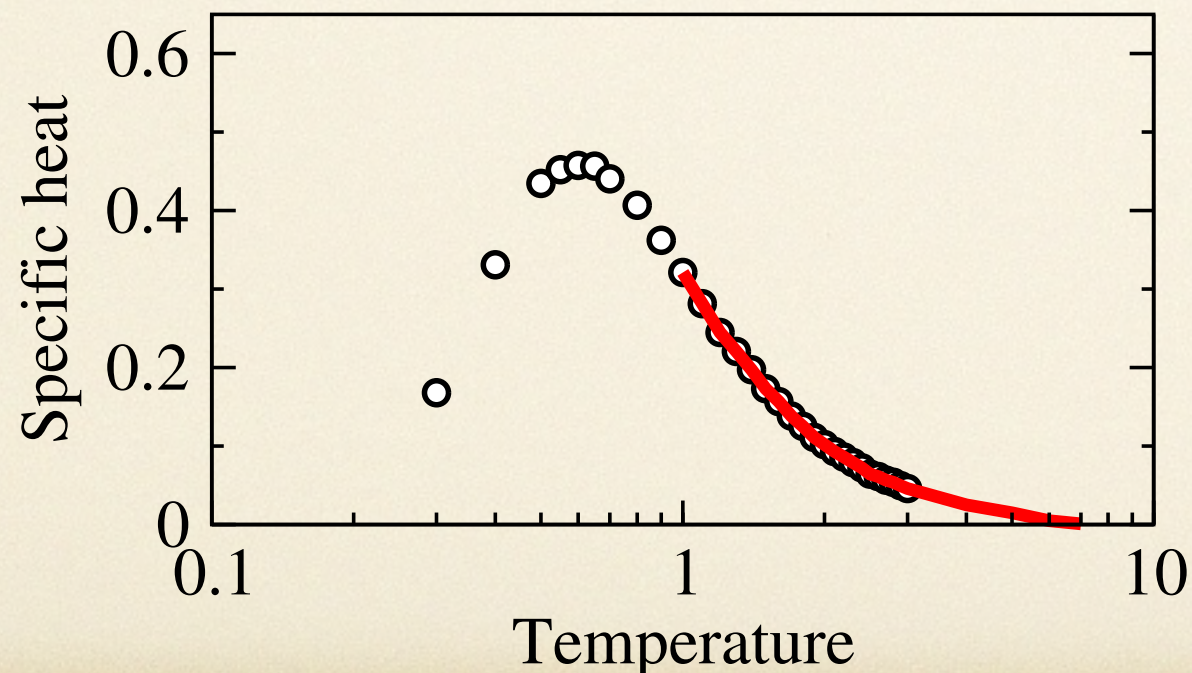
In the thermodynamic limit

Exponential problem => Can fail at low T even when correlations are short ranged

Pade approximations (even down to T=0)

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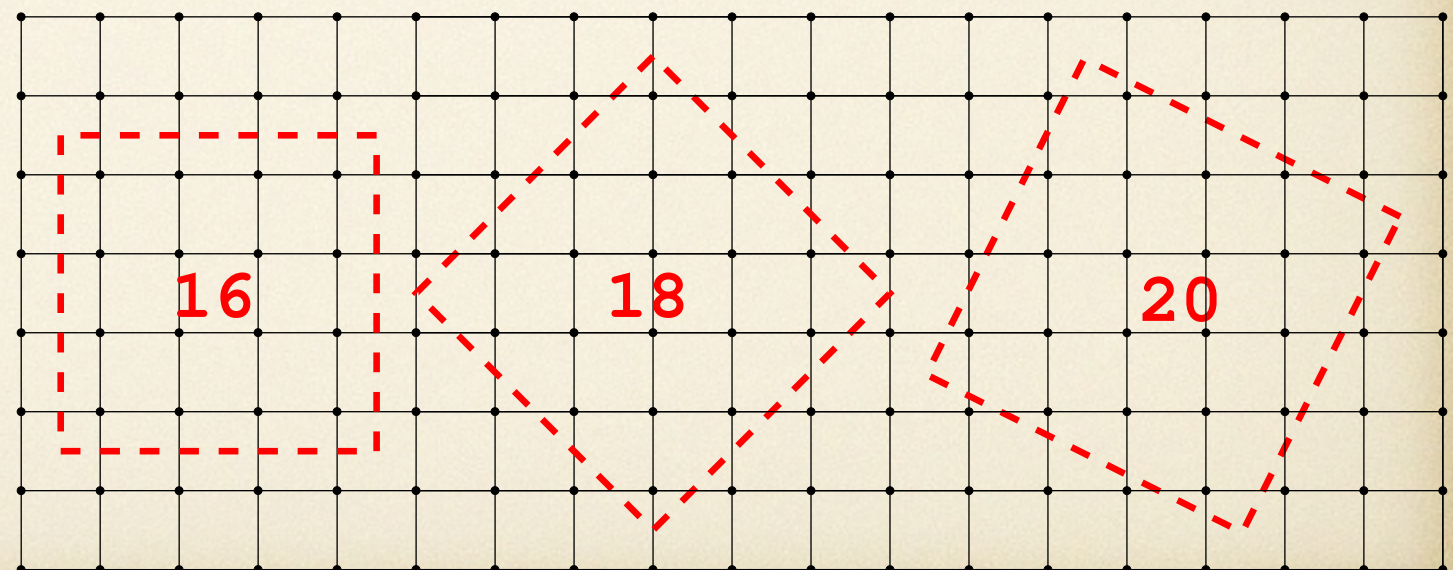
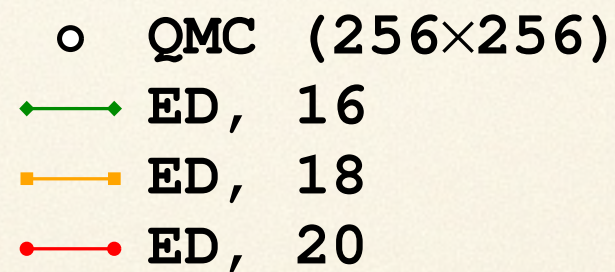
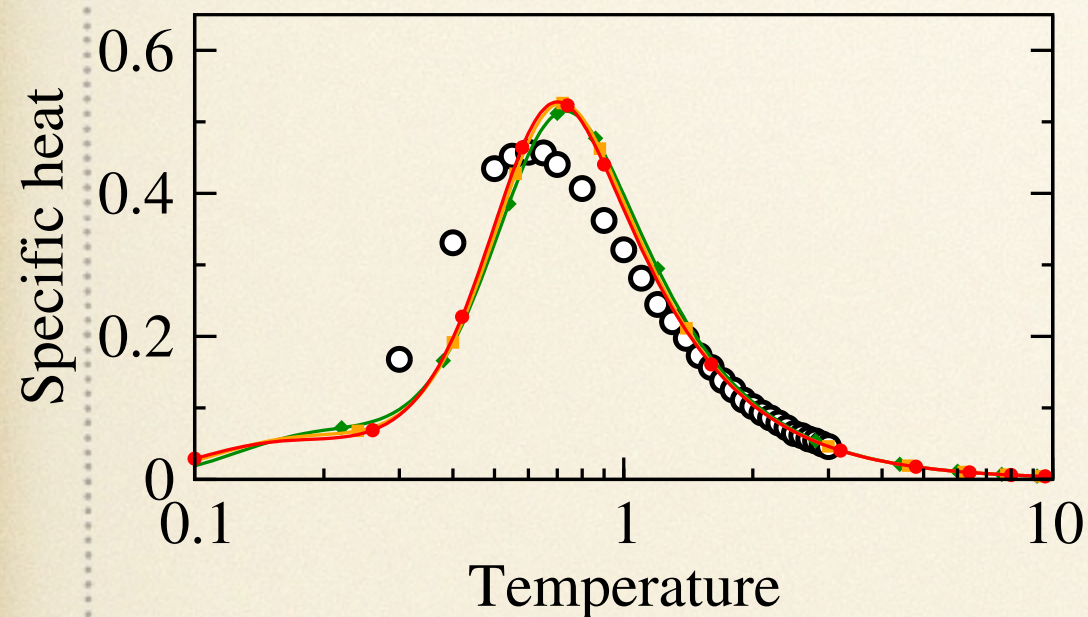


# Computational methods

- Exact diagonalization

Can be used for any model

Exponential problem (small systems) => Finite size effects





# Computational methods

- Density-matrix renormalization group
- Multi-scale entanglement renormalization ansatz
- Projected entangled pair states
- Methods for bosonic systems
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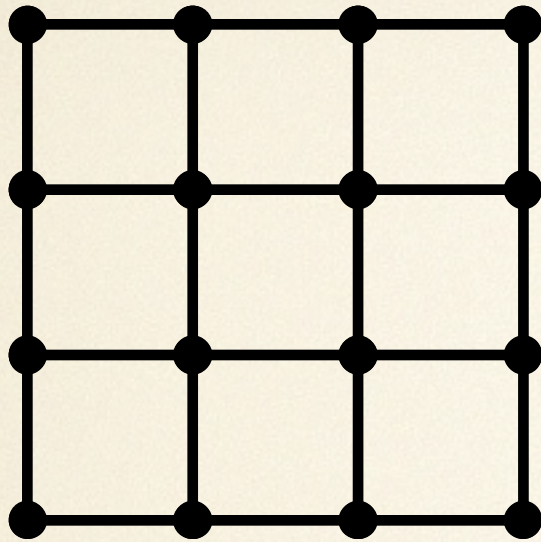


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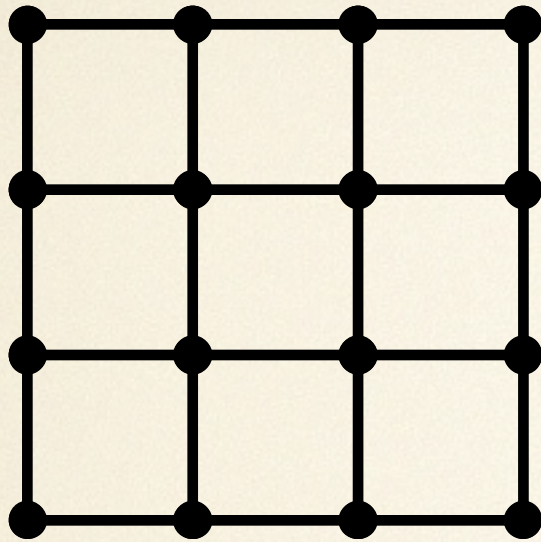
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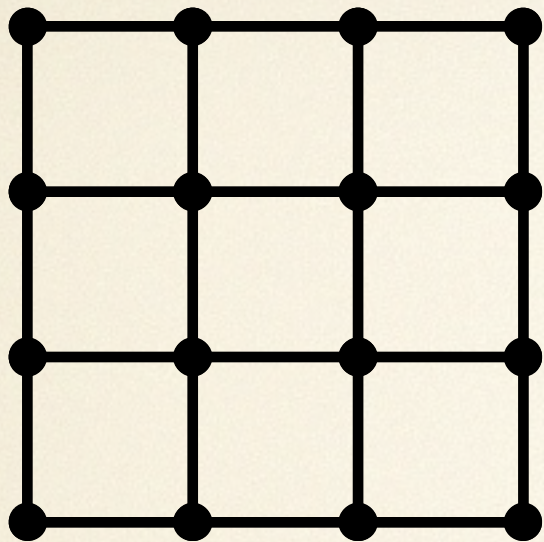
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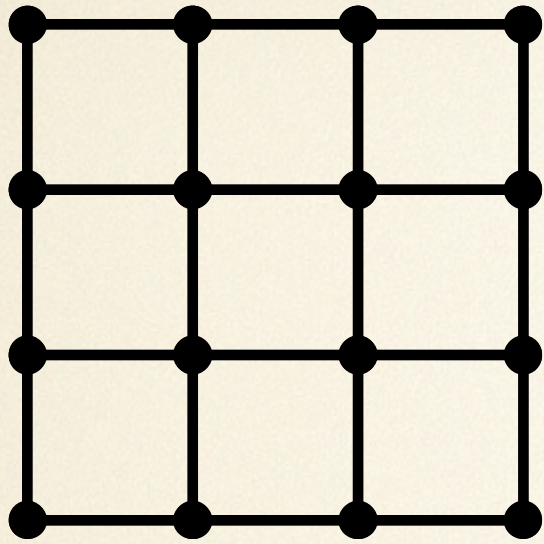
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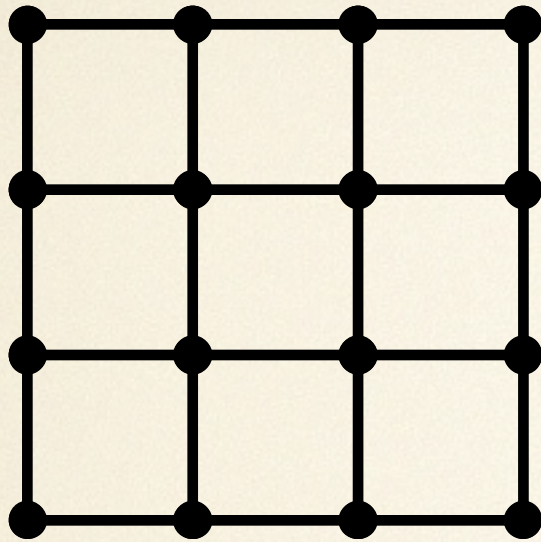
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# Cluster Expansions



Disconnected clusters do not contribute:

$$W_P(\text{cluster} \text{---}) = P(\text{cluster} \text{---}) - \sum_{S \subset \text{cluster} \text{---}} W_P(S)$$

$$W_P(\text{cluster} \text{---}) = P(\text{cluster}) + P(\text{---}) - W_P(\text{cluster}) - W_P(\text{---})$$

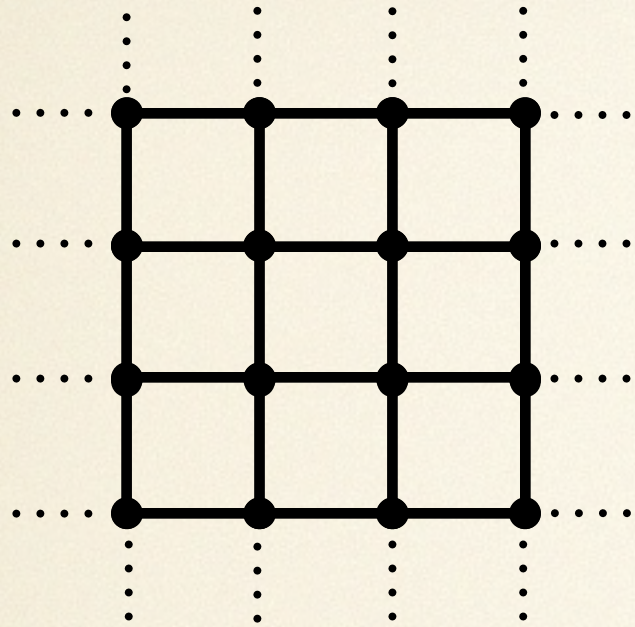
$$- \sum_{S \subset \text{cluster}} W_P(S) - \sum_{S \subset \text{---}} W_P(S) = 0$$

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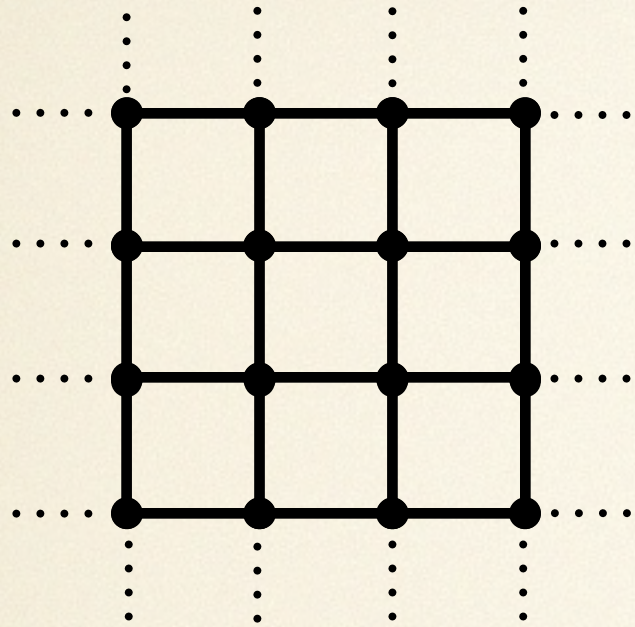
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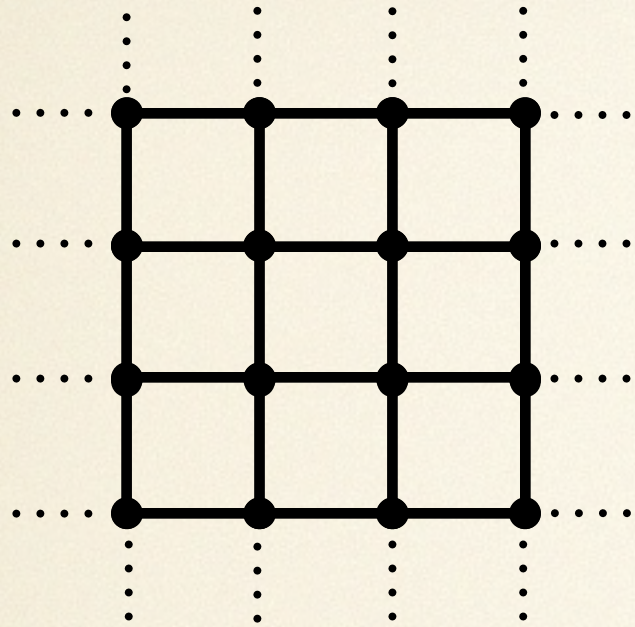
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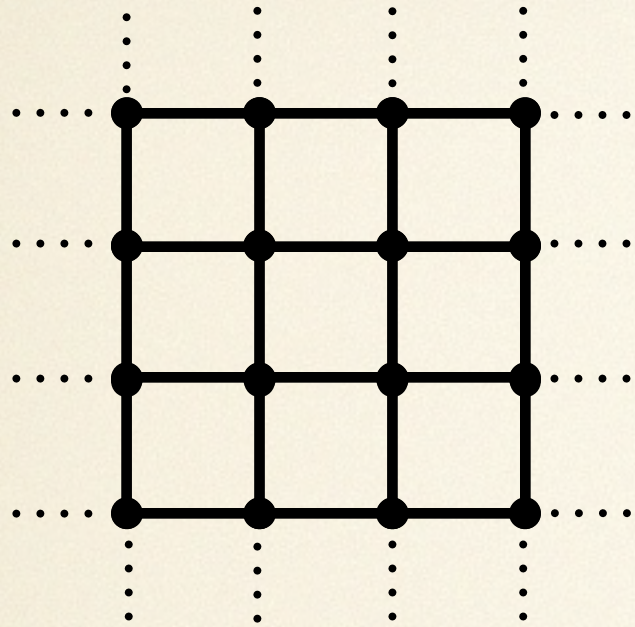
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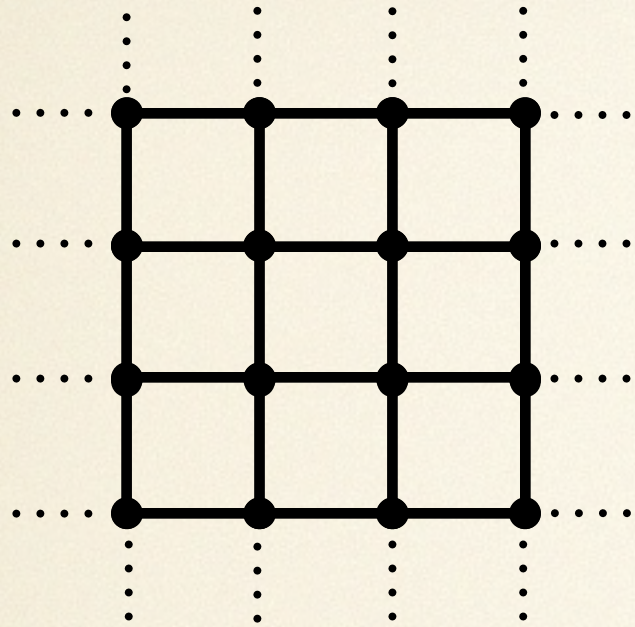
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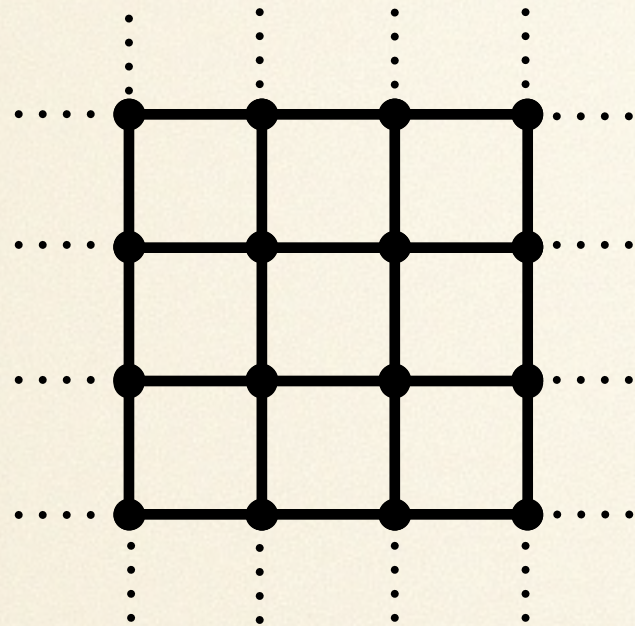
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$$P(\infty) / L = -3P(\bullet) + 2P(\bullet\text{---}\bullet) + \dots$$

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# Numerical Linked-Cluster Expansion (NLCE)



$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} P(c) &= \frac{\text{Tr } \hat{P} e^{-\beta \hat{H}_c}}{\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{H}_c}} \\ W_P(c) &= P(c) - \sum_{s \subset c} W_P(s) \\ P(\infty)/L &= \sum_c L(c) W_P(c) \end{aligned} \right.$$

Number of embeddings  
per site for cluster 'c'

J. Oitmaa et al. "Series Expansion  
Methods for Strongly Interacting  
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# Site Expansion (Square Lattice)





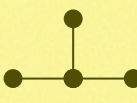
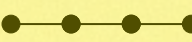



- ☑ Generate all possible clusters
- ☑ Identify their symmetries and topologies
- ☑ Identify their sub-clusters

$$S_i = \sum_{c_i} L(c_i) \times W_P(c_i)$$

(all the clusters that share a characteristic)

$$P_n = \sum_{i=0}^n S_i$$

Site expansion for the square lattice:

	$c$	$L(c)$	# of sites	# of clusters
	1	1	1	1
	2	2	4	3
	3	2	6	10
	4	4	7	19
	5	4	8	51
	6	2	9	112
	7	1	10	300
	8	4	11	746
	9	8	12	2042
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# Parallelization

- Embarrassingly parallel (sending groups of clusters to each processor)
- We use MPI to assign every cluster to a different node.
- We use OpenMP to parallelize loops using processors on each node.

B. Tang, EK and M. Rigol, Computer Physics Communications **184**, 557 (2013)

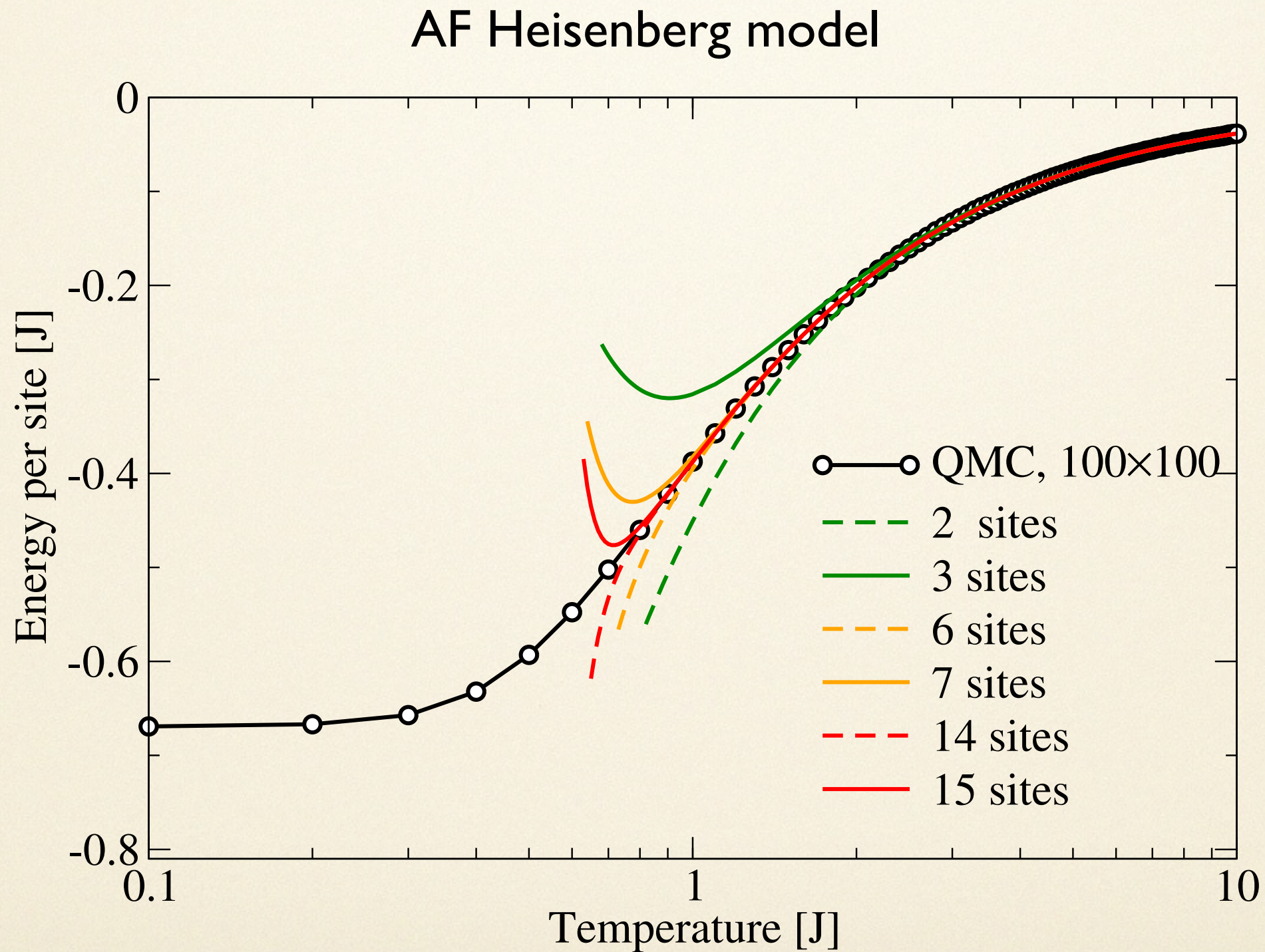


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# AF Heisenberg model on the square lattice





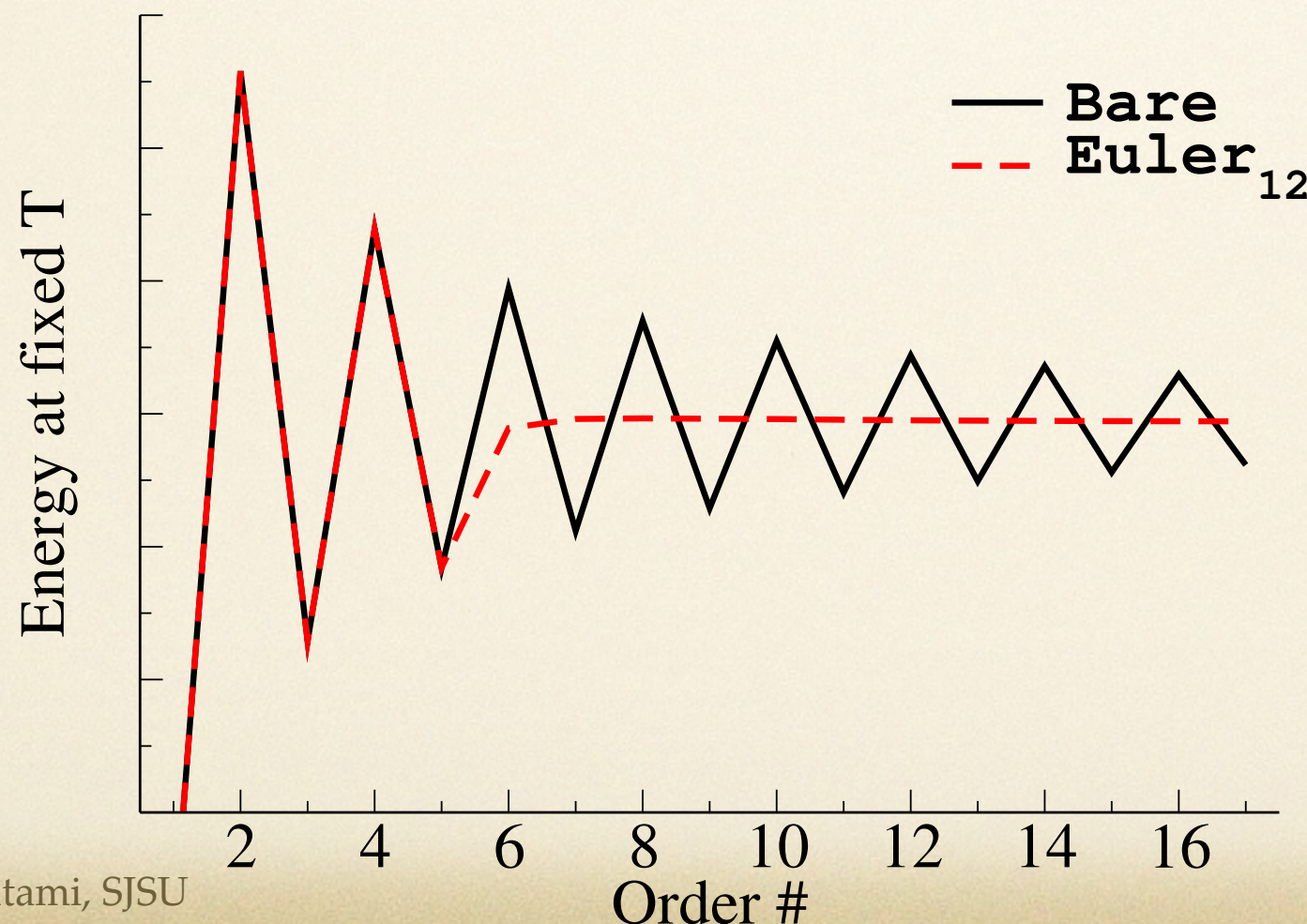
# Numerical Re-summation

$$S_i = \sum_{c_i} L(c_i) \times W_P(c_i)$$

where all  $C_i$  share a given characteristic  
(# of bonds, sites ...)

**Bare sum:**  $P_n = \sum_{i=0}^n S_i$   $\longrightarrow$   $P(\infty) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n$

We can take advantage of numerical re-summation algorithms such as, **Euler** and **Wynn** to perform the above sum:



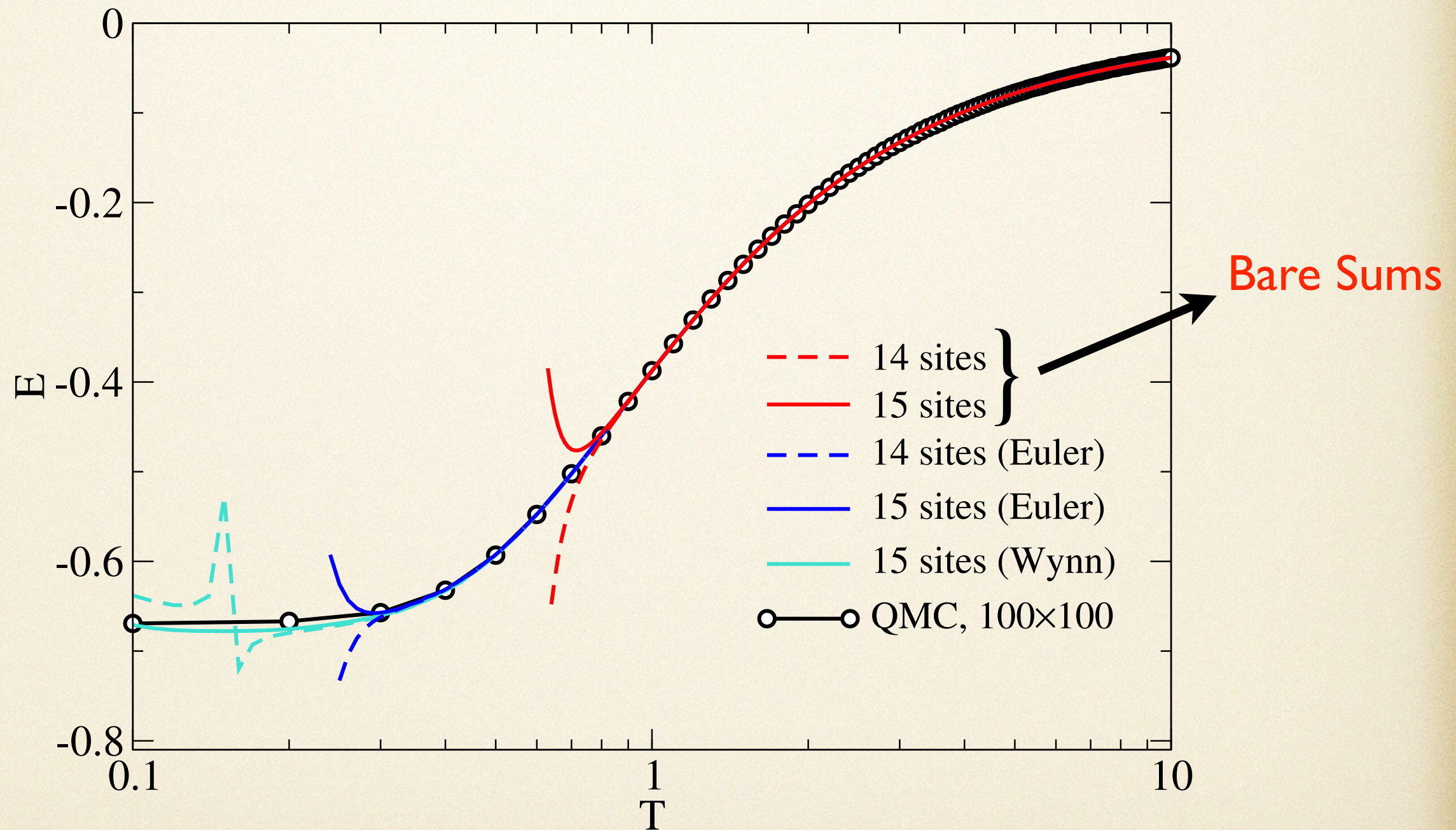
Numerical Recipes in Fortran

A. J. Guttmann, in  
Phase Transitions and  
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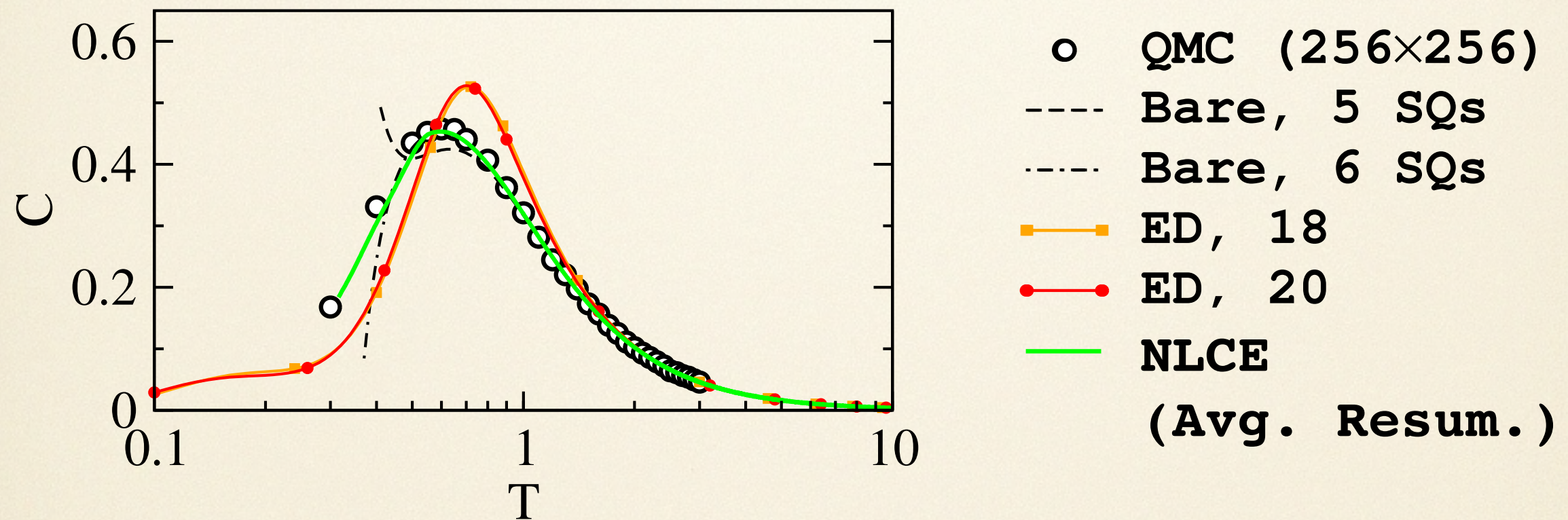
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# Numerical Re-summation

AF Heisenberg model





# Numerical linked-cluster expansions

- Spin models (frustrated magnets)

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**98**, 207204 (2007).

EK and M. Rigol, PRB **83**, 134431 (2011); **85**, 064401 (2012)

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- Itinerant electron models

EK and M. Rigol, PRA **84**, 053611 (2011); **86**, 023633 (2012)

B. Tang, T. Paiva, EK, M. Rigol, PRL **109**, 205301 (2012); PRB  
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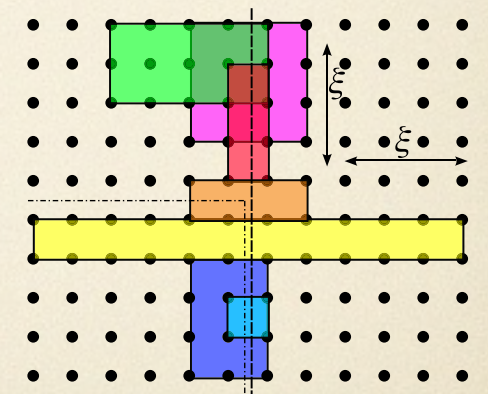
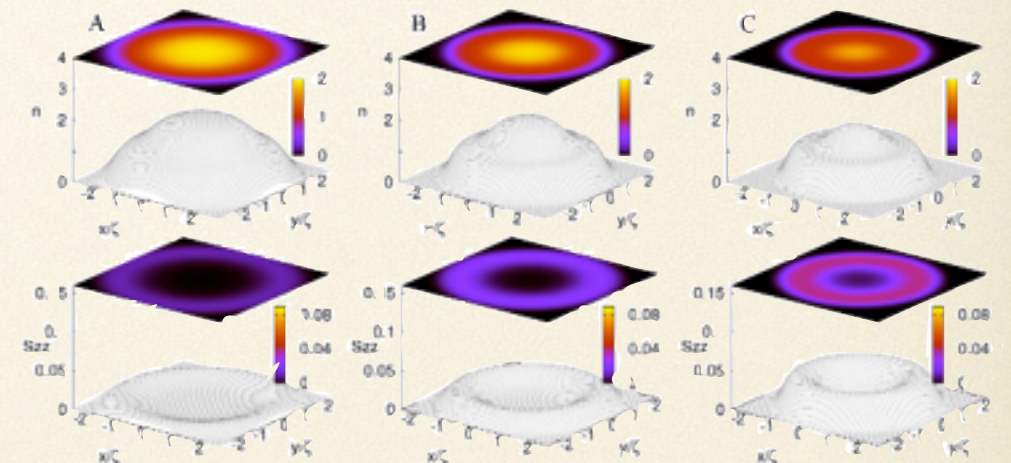
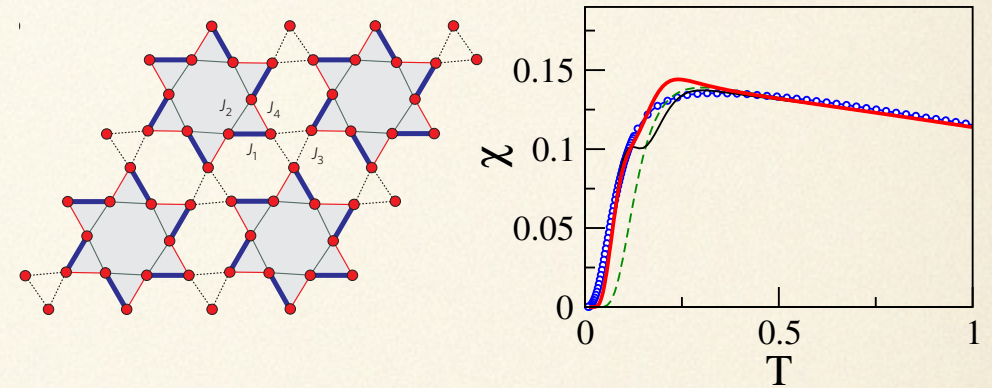
- Entanglement

A. Kallin, K. Hyatt, R. Singh, R. Melko, PRL **110**, 135702 (2013)

A. Kallin, E. M. Stoudenmire, P. Fendley, R. R. P. Singh, R. G. Melko,  
 J Stat. Mech. **2014**, 06009 (2014) ...

- Thermalization of isolated quantum systems

M. Rigol, PRL **112**, 170601 (2014); PRE **90**, 031301(R) (2014) ...





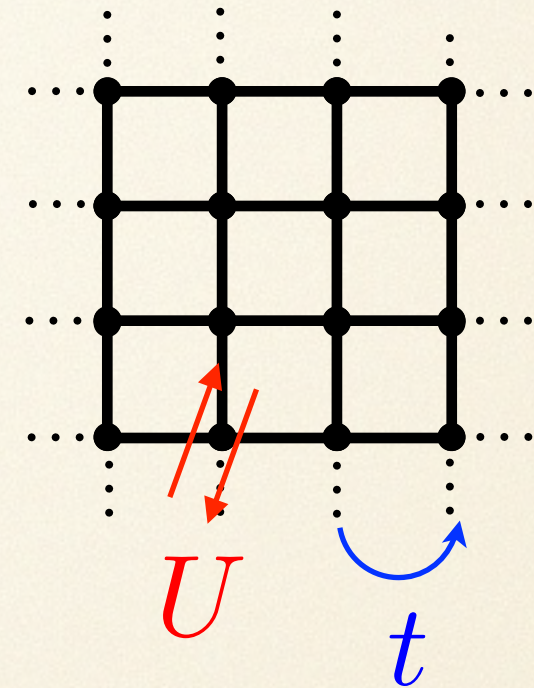
# Square Lattice Hubbard Model

The Fermi-Hubbard model:

$$H = t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

Kinetic energy  
(nearest neighbor  
hopping)

Potential energy  
(Coulomb interaction)



$$t = 1 \text{ (unit of energy)}$$



# Mott insulator at half filling

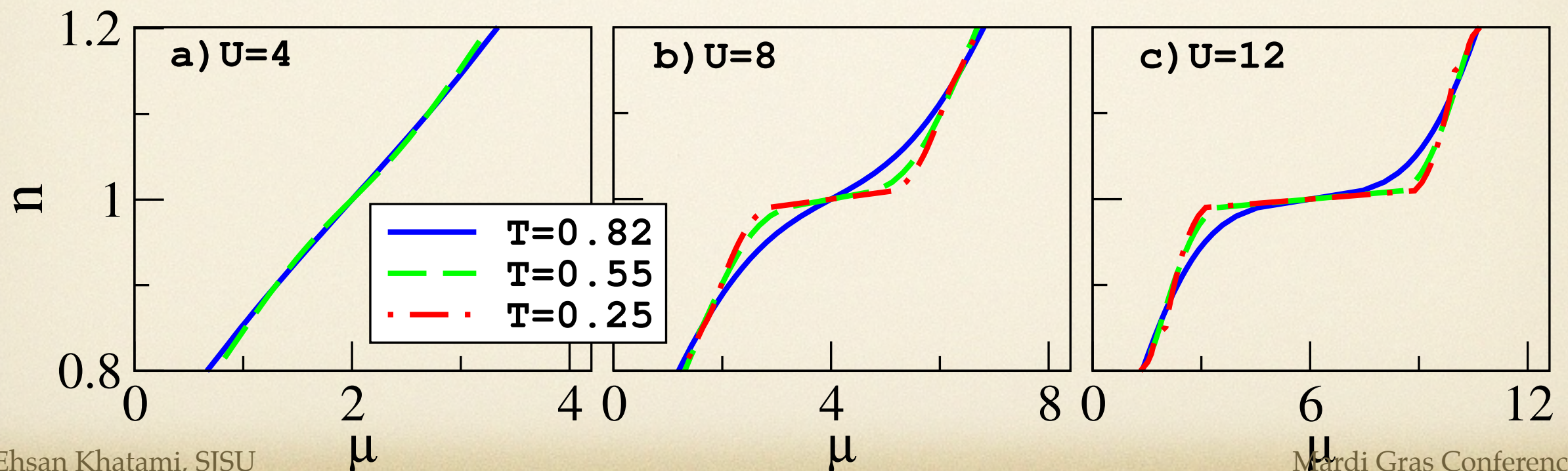
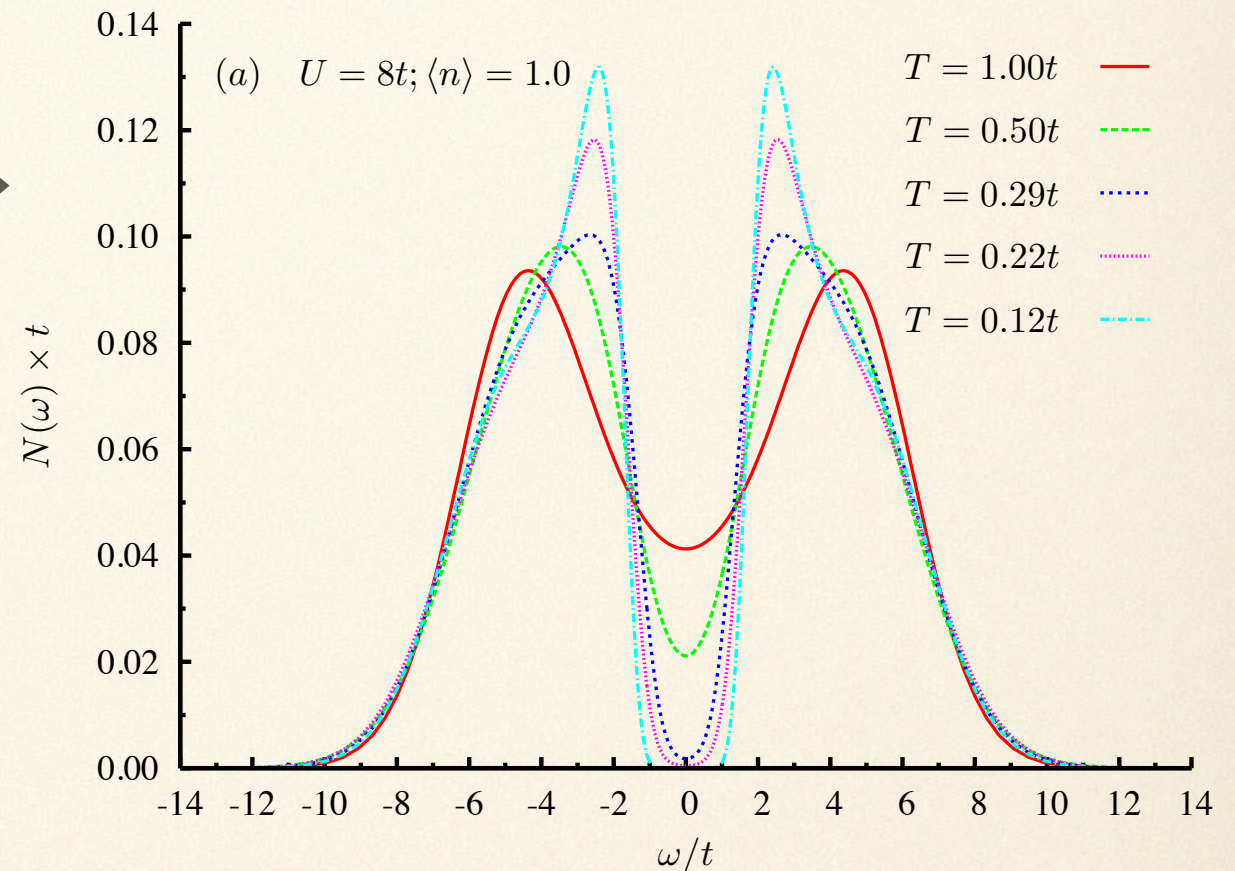
From the density of states

T.A. Maier, M. Jarrell, D.J. Scalapino, (2006)



From the equation of state (NLCE)

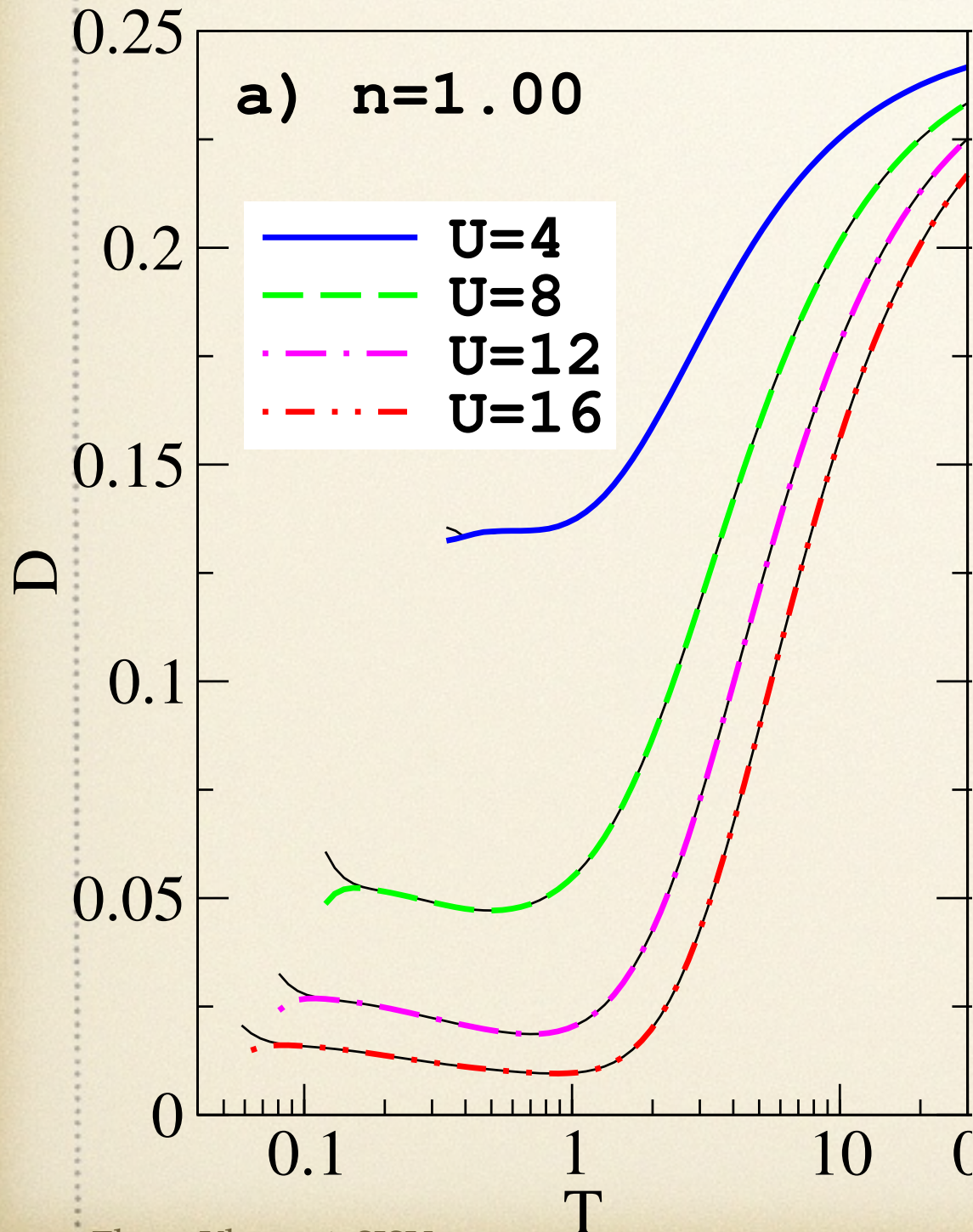
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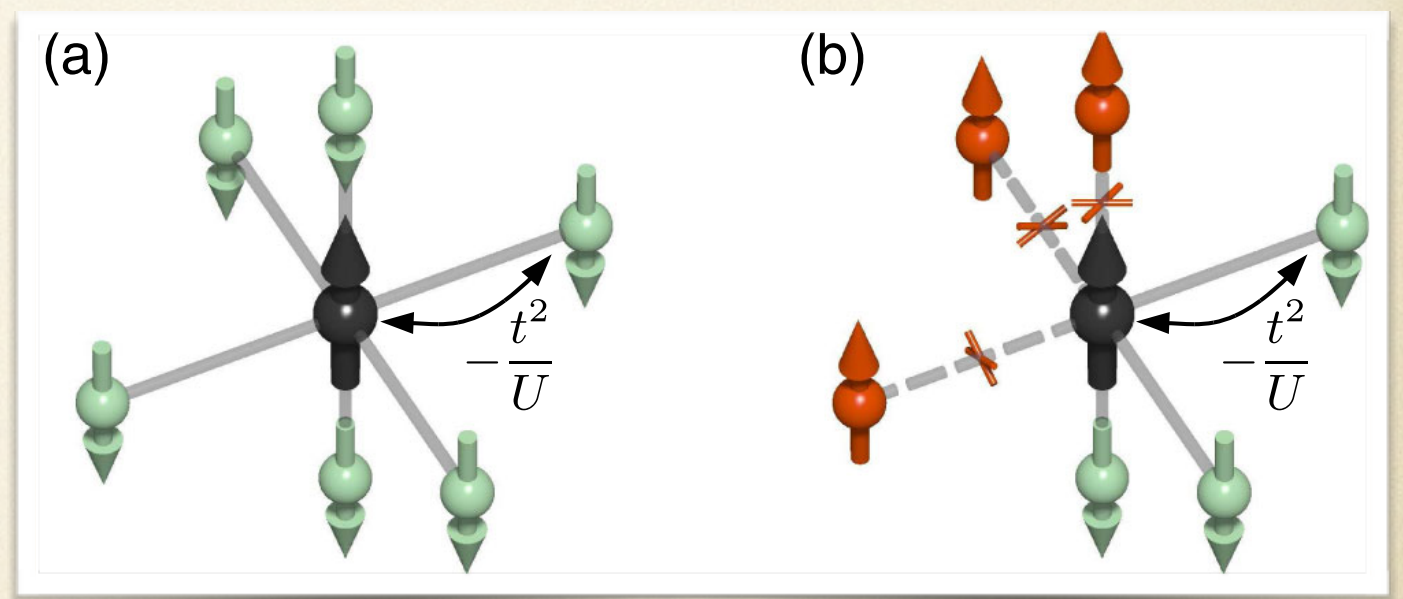


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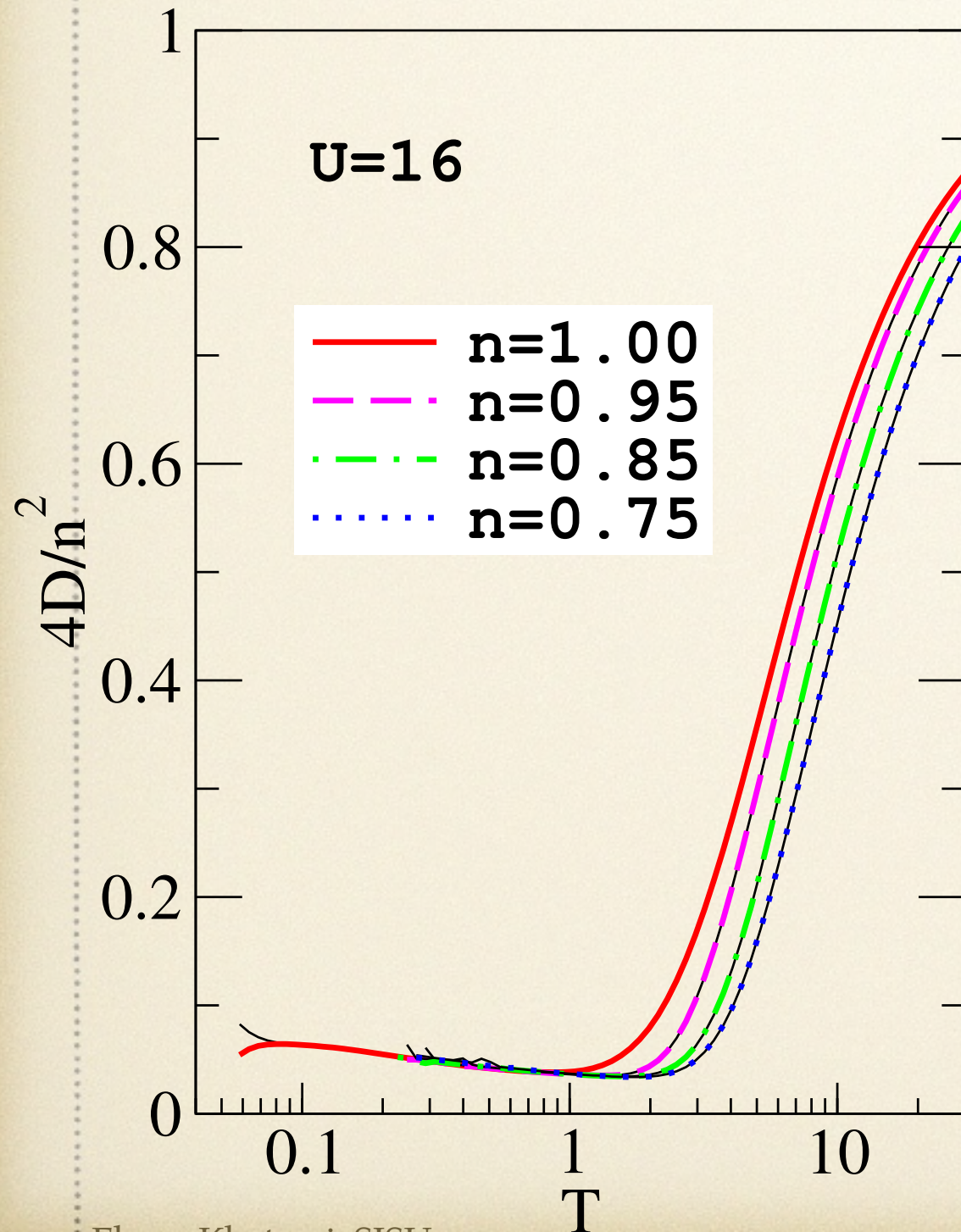
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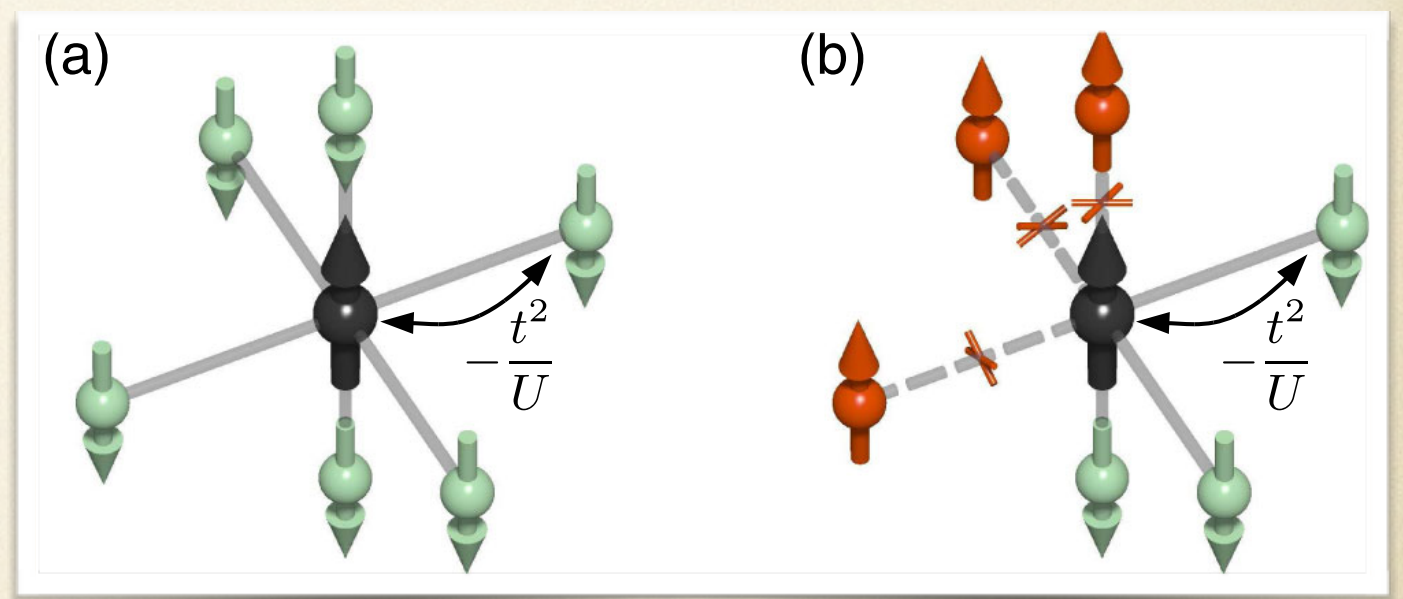
# Double Occupancy

(uncorrelated)

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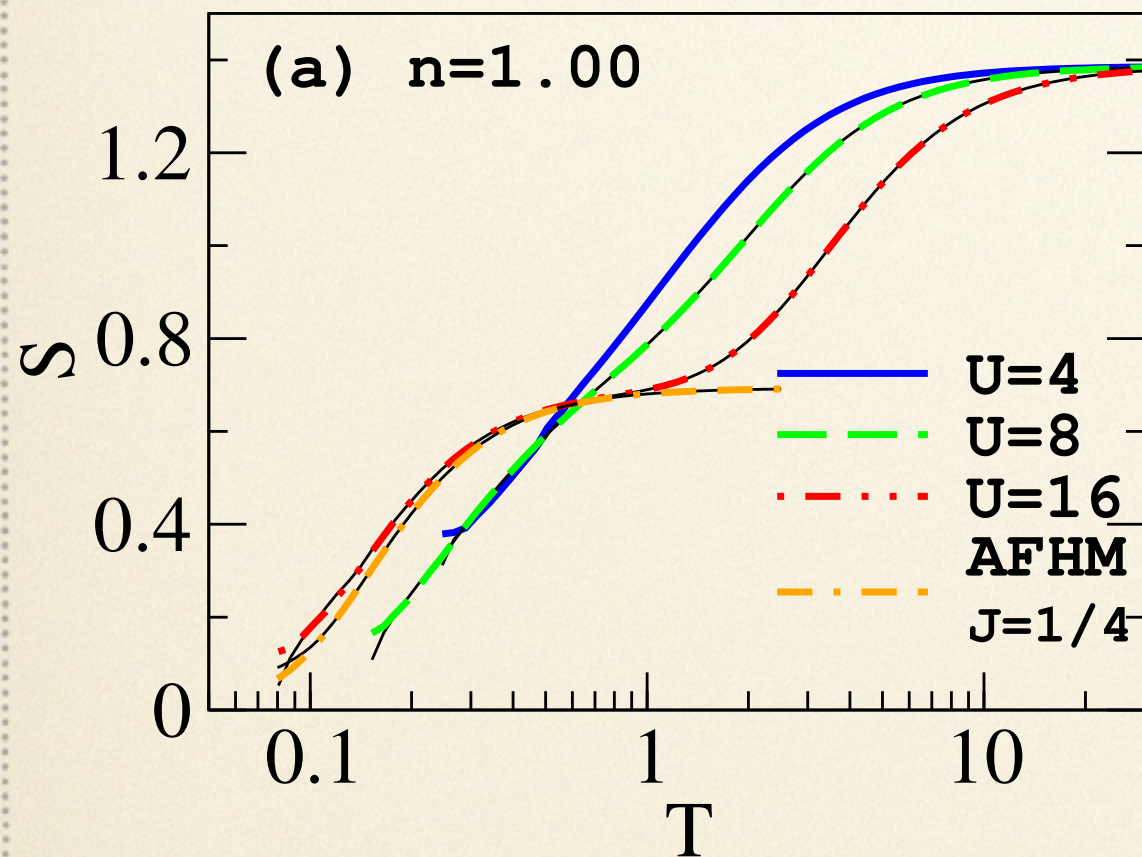


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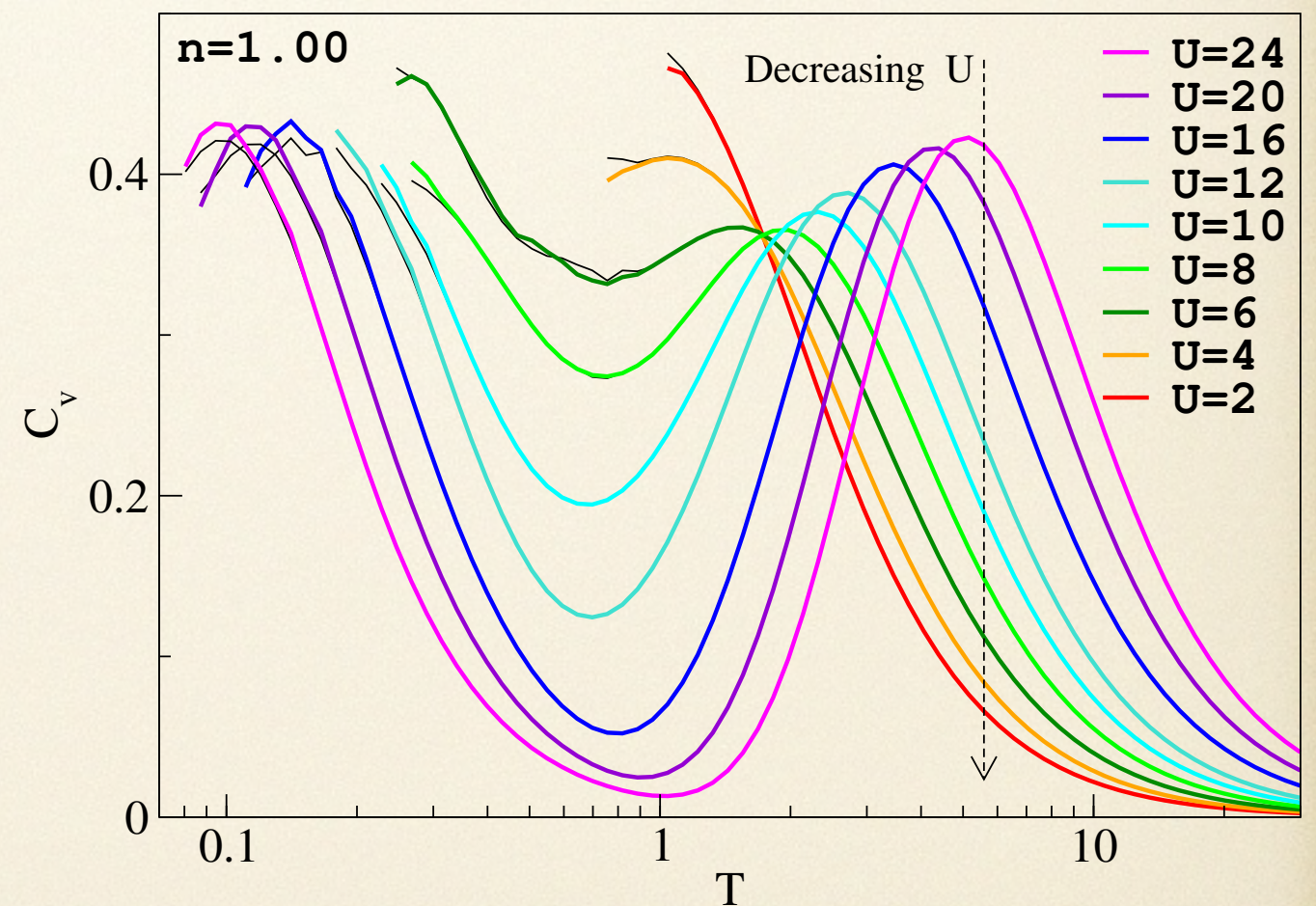
$$S = \ln(Z) + \frac{\langle \hat{H} \rangle - \mu \langle \hat{n} \rangle}{T}$$

$$C_v = \left( \frac{\partial \langle \hat{H} \rangle}{\partial T} \right)_n = \frac{1}{T^2} \left[ \langle \Delta \hat{H}^2 \rangle - \frac{(\langle \hat{H} \hat{n} \rangle - \langle \hat{H} \rangle \langle \hat{n} \rangle)^2}{\langle \Delta \hat{n}^2 \rangle} \right]$$

Entropy



Specific heat

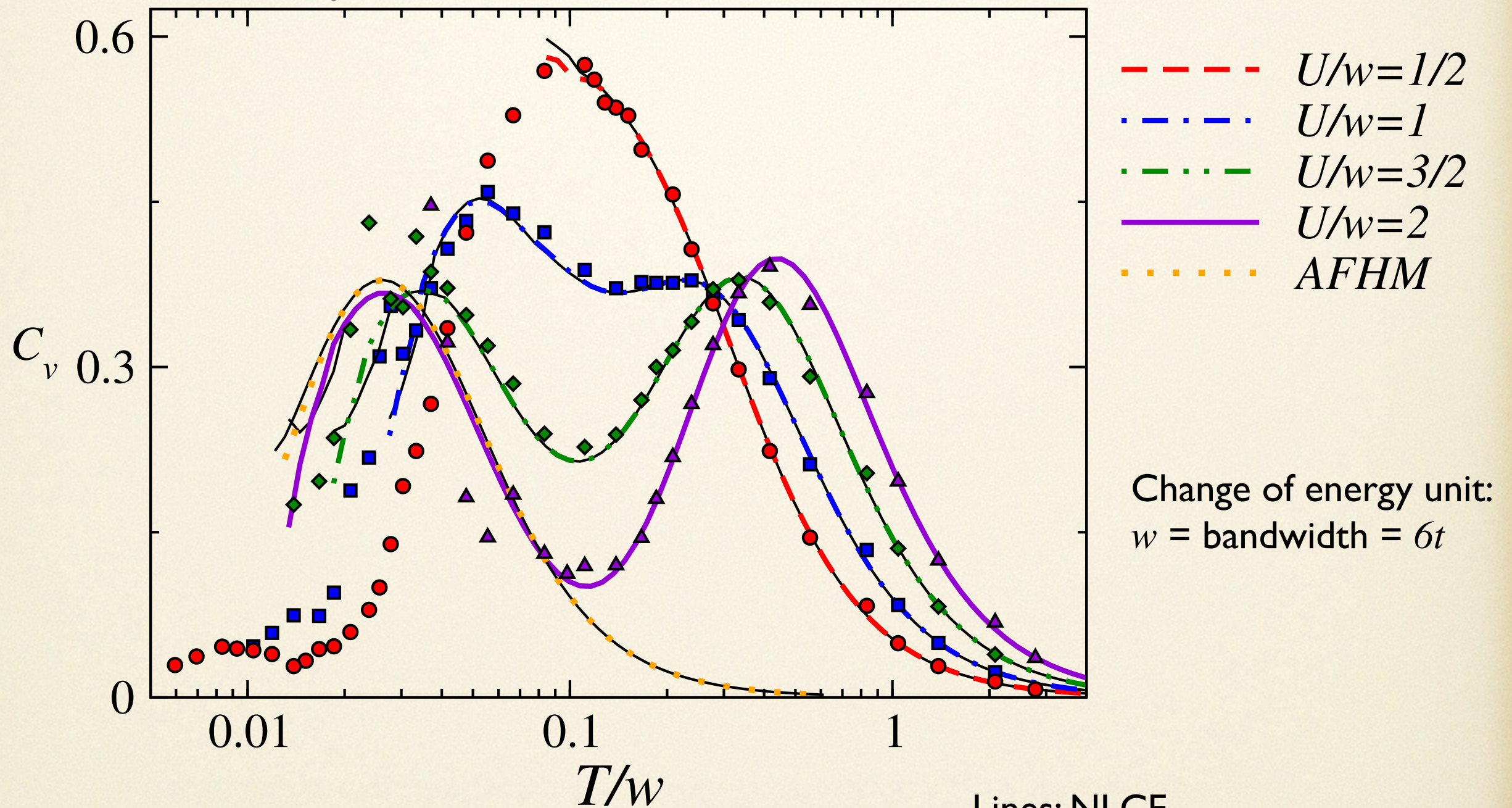


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# Complementarity to DQMC

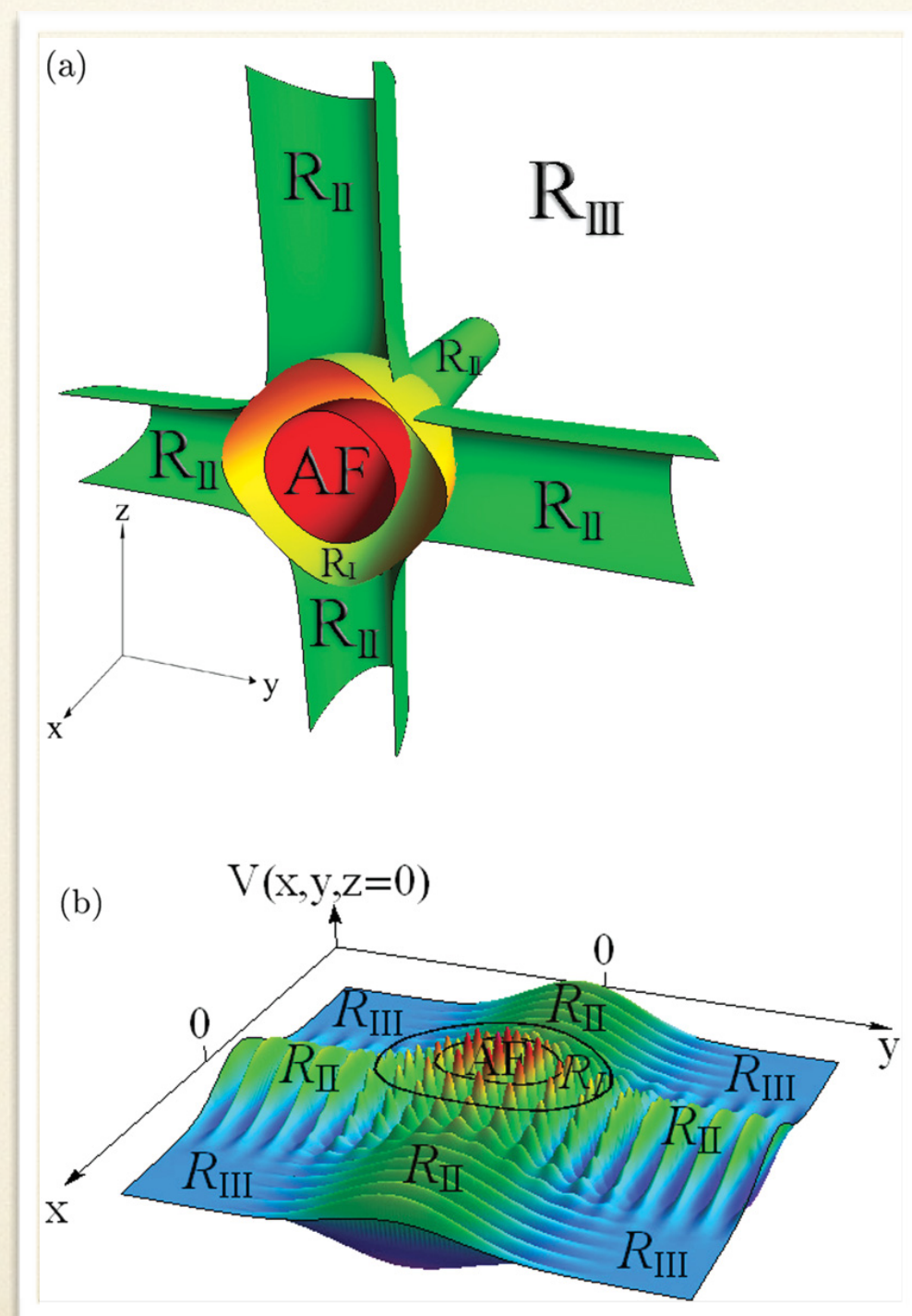
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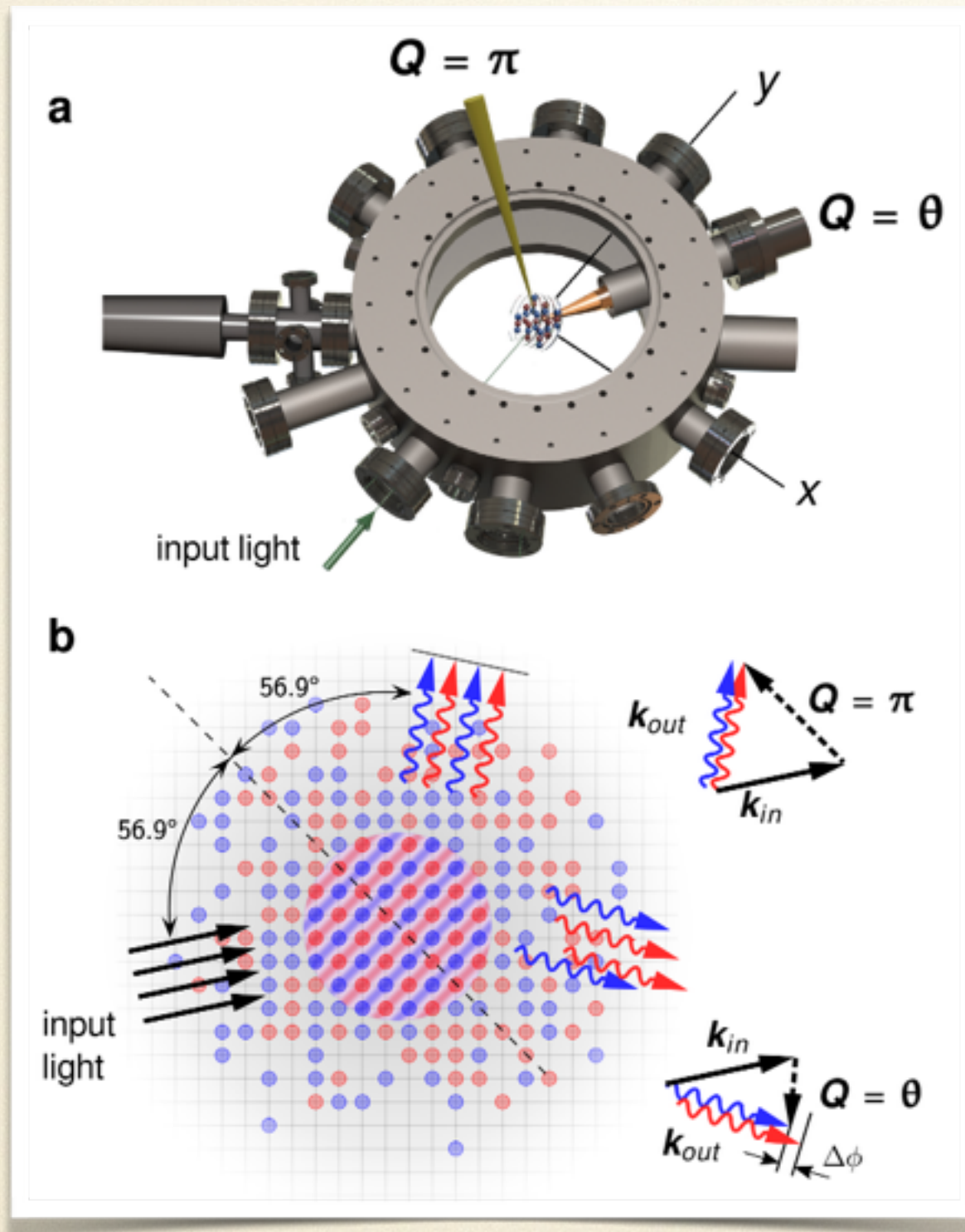


# Cold atoms on optical lattices

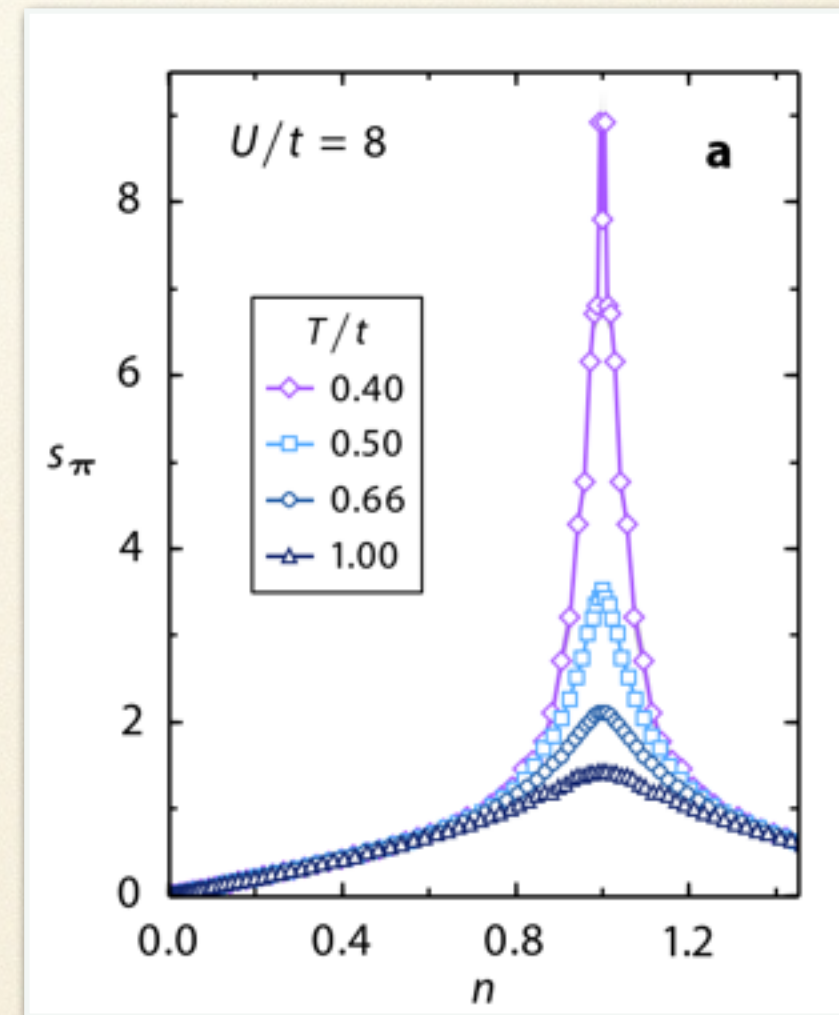




# Optical lattice experiments



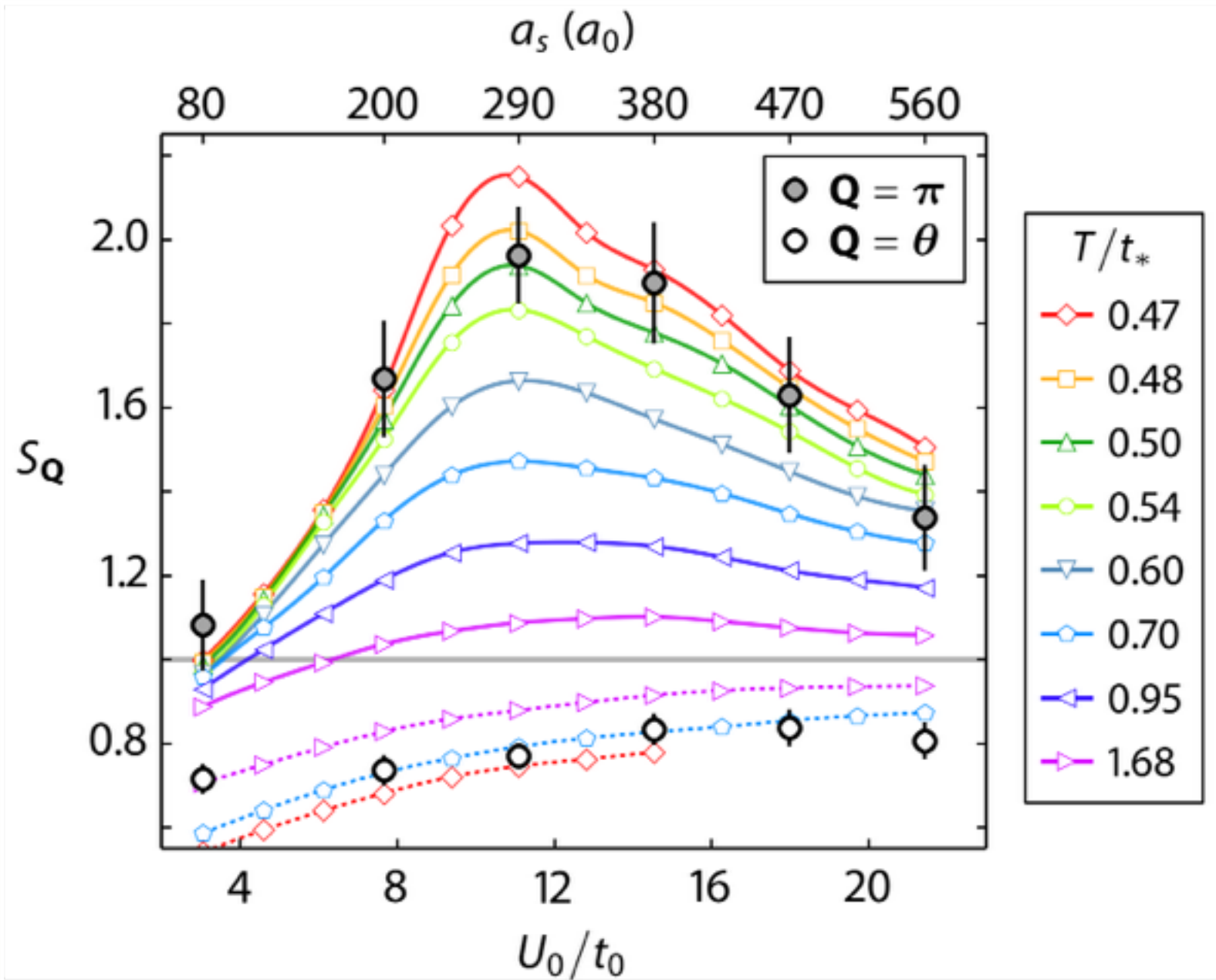
AF structure factor  
DQMC + NLCE



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# Optical lattice experiments



Estimating the temperature to be  $\sim 1.4T_N$  by comparing to theory (DQMC + NLCE)



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# Summary

- \* The Numerical Linked-Cluster Expansion provides a powerful tool for studying quantum lattice models in the thermodynamic limit.
- \* It can be used to study thermodynamic properties of the Hubbard models -- especially useful in the strong-coupling regime (complementary to QMC methods).

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