

# APPLYING TNS TO LATTICE GAUGE THEORIES

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## early works with DMRG/TNS

Byrnes PRD2002; Sugihara NPB2004  
Tagliacozzo PRB2011; Sugihara JHEP2005  
Meurice PRB2013

Schwinger model  
U(1) in 1D  
precise equilibrium  
simulations,  
feasibility of QSim

MCB et al JHEP11(2013)158;  
Rico et al PRL 2014; Buyens et al. PRL 2014;  
Kühn et al., PRA 90, 042305 (2014);  
MCB et al PRD 2015, Buyens et al. PRD 2016;  
Pichler et al. PRX 2016;  
review: Dalmonte, Montangero, Cont. Phys. 2016  
MCB, Cichy, Cirac, Jansen, Kühn, arXiv:1810.12838

MCB, K. Cichy 1910.00257  
QTFLAG Collab.1911.00003

## 3+1 dimensions

Magnifico et al. 2011.10658

## 2+1 dimensions

Falser et al. arXiv:1911.09693  
Robaina et al. PRL126, 050401 (2021)  
Emonts et al. PRD102, 074501 (2020)

Non-Abelian in 1D  
string breaking dynamics

S. Kühn et al., JHEP 07 (2015) 130;  
Silvi et al., Quantum 2017  
S. Kühn et al. PRX 2017

SU(3)QLM

Silvi et al, PRD 2019

finite density

S. Kuehn et al, PRL118 (2017) 071601

SPECTRUM

# COMPUTING THE LOW ENERGY LEVELS

Efficient algorithms to find ground state and excitations

$$|E_0\rangle \simeq \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \boxed{\bullet} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet$$

variational, imaginary time...  
work directly in the TD limit

$$\sum_n e^{ikn} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \overset{(n)}{\bullet} \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \bullet$$

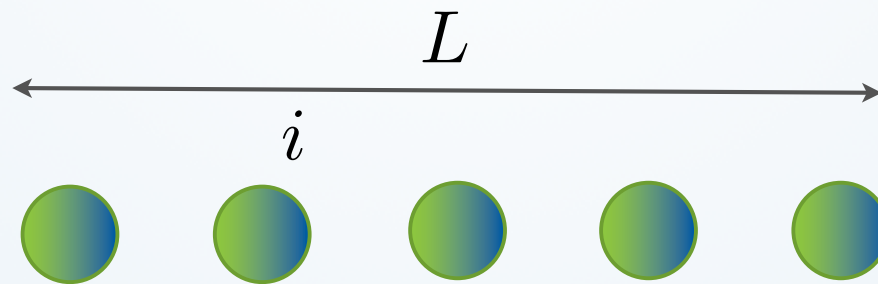
excitation  
ansatz

Different strategies possible for LGT

truncate the gauge dof, integrate out  
explicit symmetries in tensors

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discrete system  $\rightarrow$  finite lattice spacing

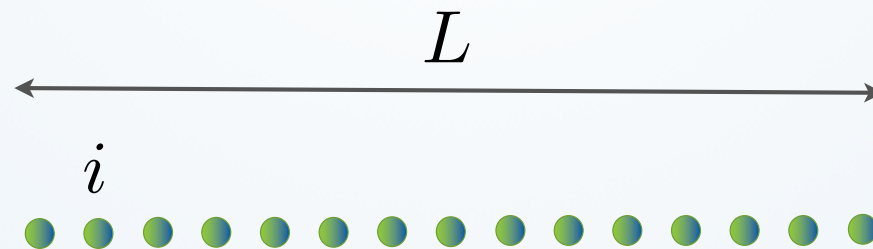


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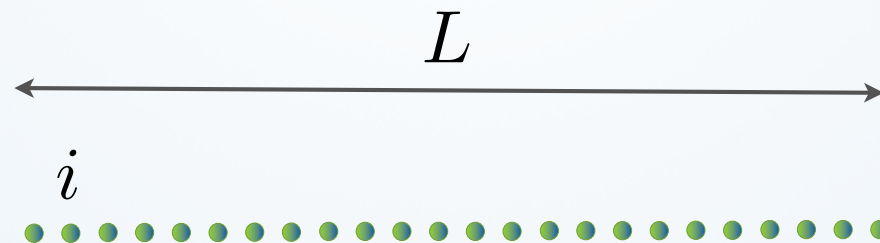


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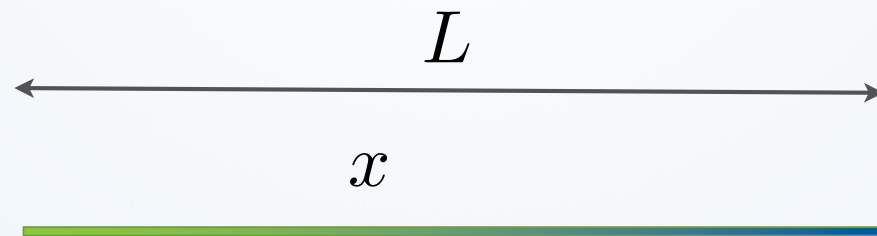
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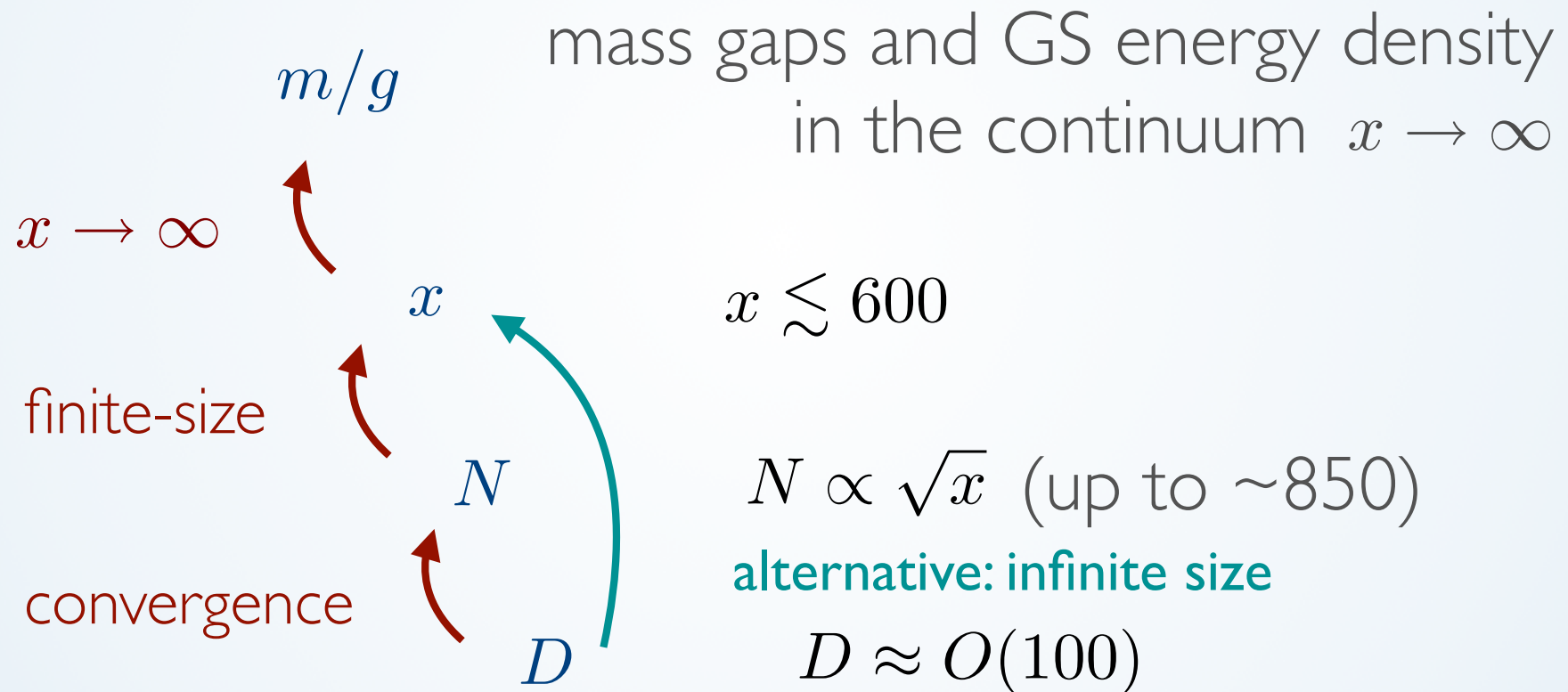
extrapolate to vanishing spacing  $\rightarrow$  possible divergences

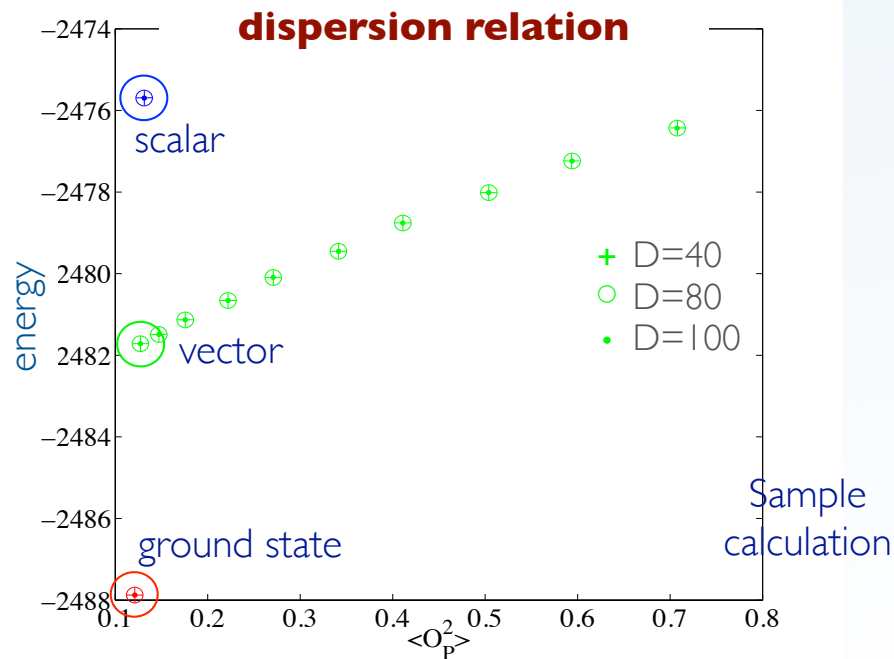




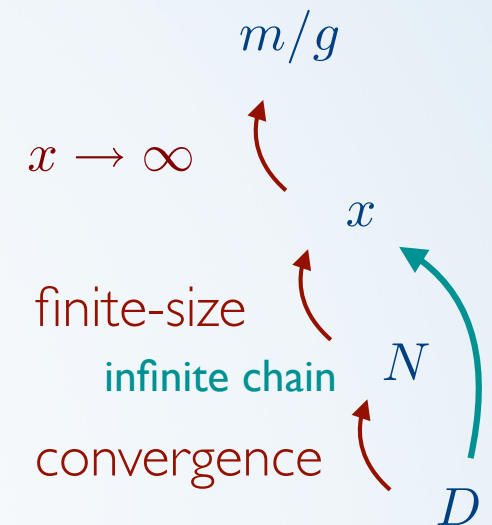
# COMPUTING CONTINUUM QUANTITIES

Scan parameters





**after the  
continuum  
limit**



better precision than any earlier numerics

$m/g$	DMRG	MPS with OBC [1]	gauge inv. uMPS [2]	SCE	MPS with OBC [1]	gauge inv. uMPS [2]
0	0.5641859	0.56414(26)	0.56418(2)	1,128379	1.1283(10)	-
125	0.53950(7)	0.53946(20)	0.539491(8)	1.22(2)	1.2155(28)	1.222(4)
0.25	0.51918(5)	0.51915(14)	0.51917(2)	1.24(3)	1.2239(22)	1.2282(4)
0.5	0.48747(2)	0.48748(6)	0.487473(7)	1.20(3)	1.1998(17)	1.2004(1)

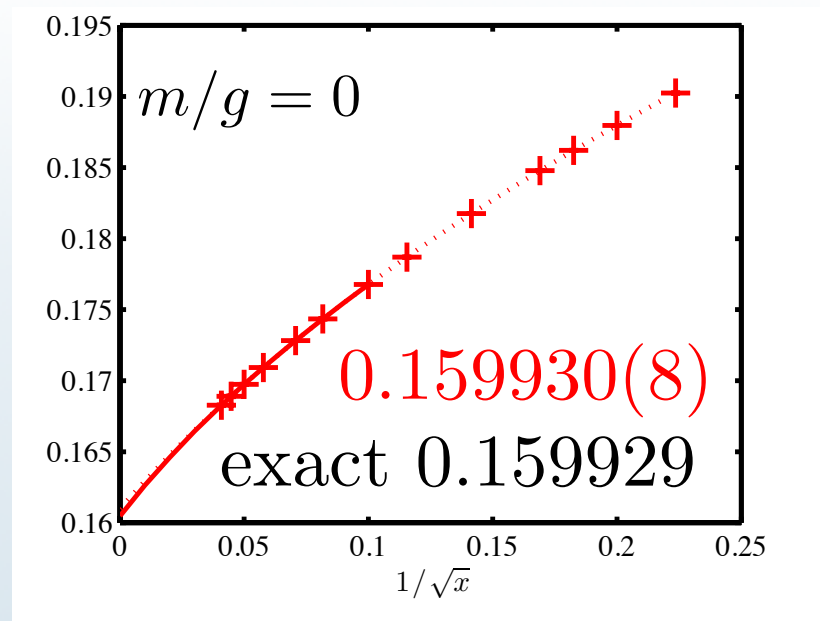
[1] MCB, Cichy, Cirac, Jansen JHEP11(2013)158  
 [2] Buyens et al. PRL113(2014)091601

MPS give us access to observables:  
expectation values

# MPS STATES → OBSERVABLES

chiral condensate in the GS: order parameter for chiral symmetry breaking ( $m/g=0$ )  $\frac{\Sigma}{g} = \frac{\langle \bar{\Psi} \Psi \rangle}{g}$

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no exact value known for  $m/g \neq 0$

only estimations de Forcrand et al. 97  
Hosotani 97

logarithmic divergence → same as in non-interacting case

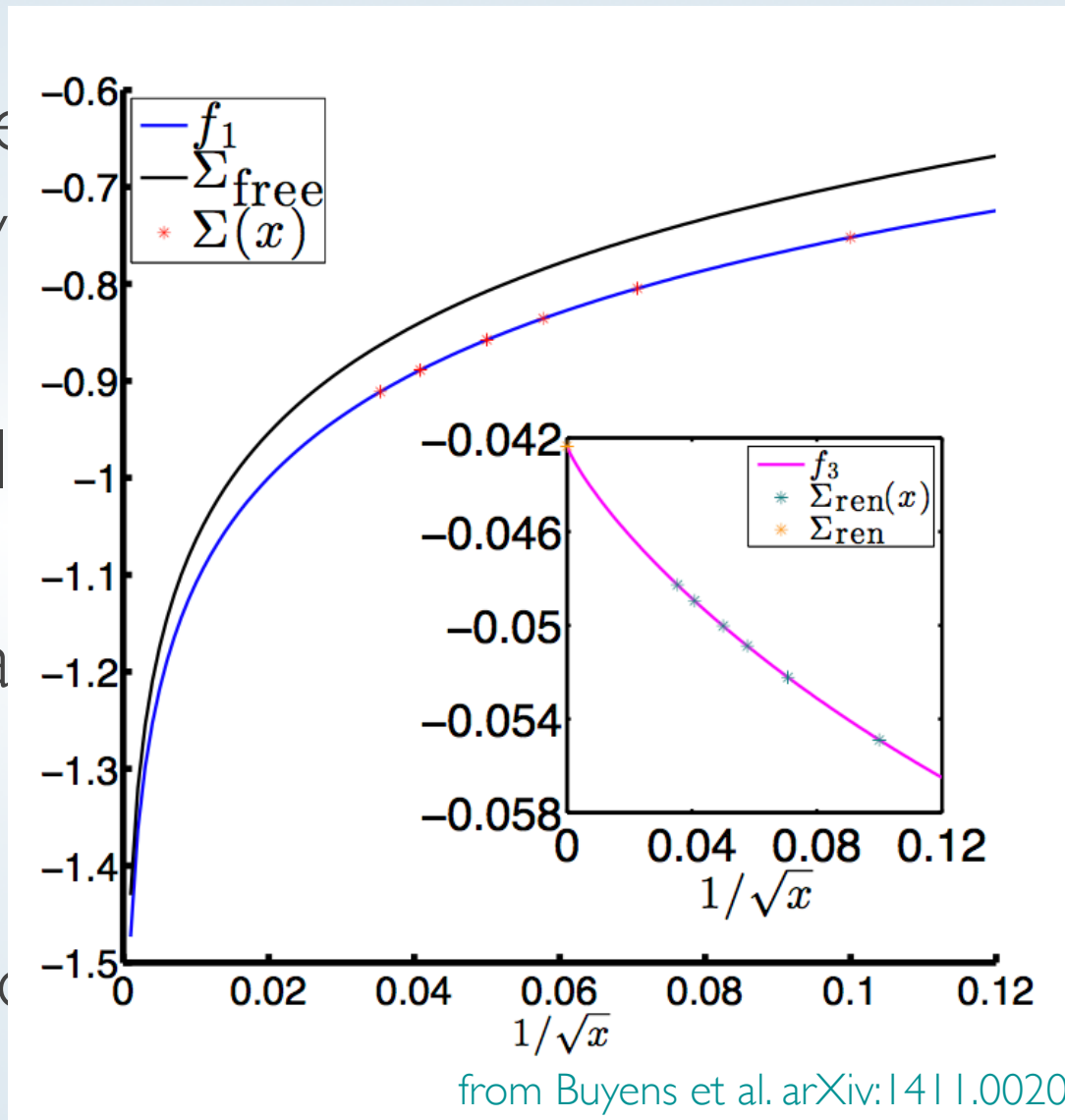
# MPS STATES → OBSERVABLES

chiral condensate  
for chiral symmetry

in the spin liquid

no exact value

logarithmic correction



from Buyens et al. arXiv:1411.0020

condensate

$$\frac{\Sigma}{g} = \frac{\langle \bar{\Psi} \Psi \rangle}{g}$$

Forcrand et al. 97  
Sotani 97

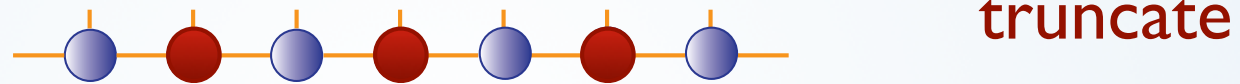
interacting case

interacting

uMPS: how important is the  
truncation of gauge dof?

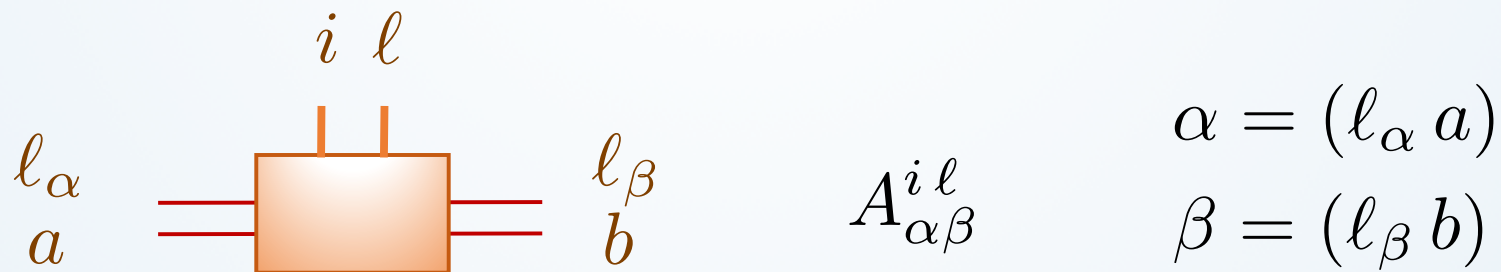
# uniform MPS (uMPS)

cannot integrate out gauge  $|\dots s_e \ell s_o \ell s_e \ell s_o \dots\rangle$



but physical states have to satisfy Gauss' law

$\Rightarrow$  symmetries



$$\ell = \ell_\beta \quad \ell_\beta = \ell_\alpha + \frac{(-1)^i + (-1)^n}{2}$$



symmetric MPS has block structure

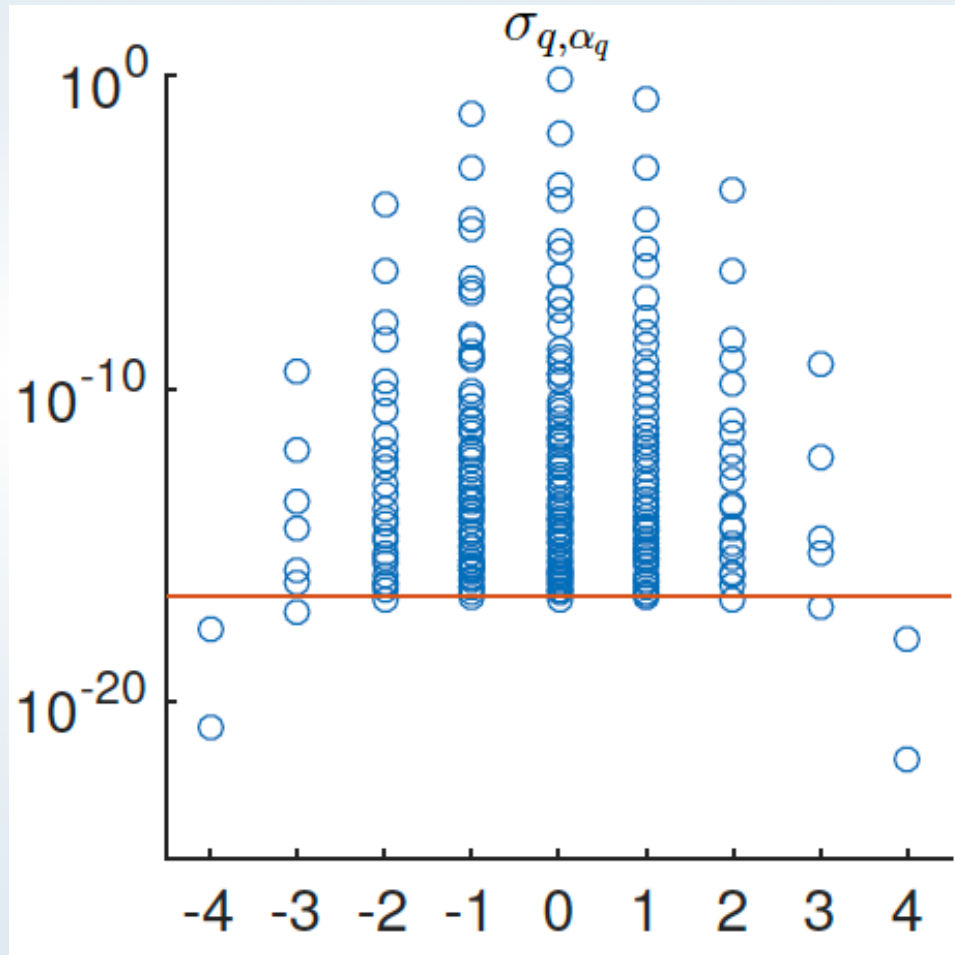


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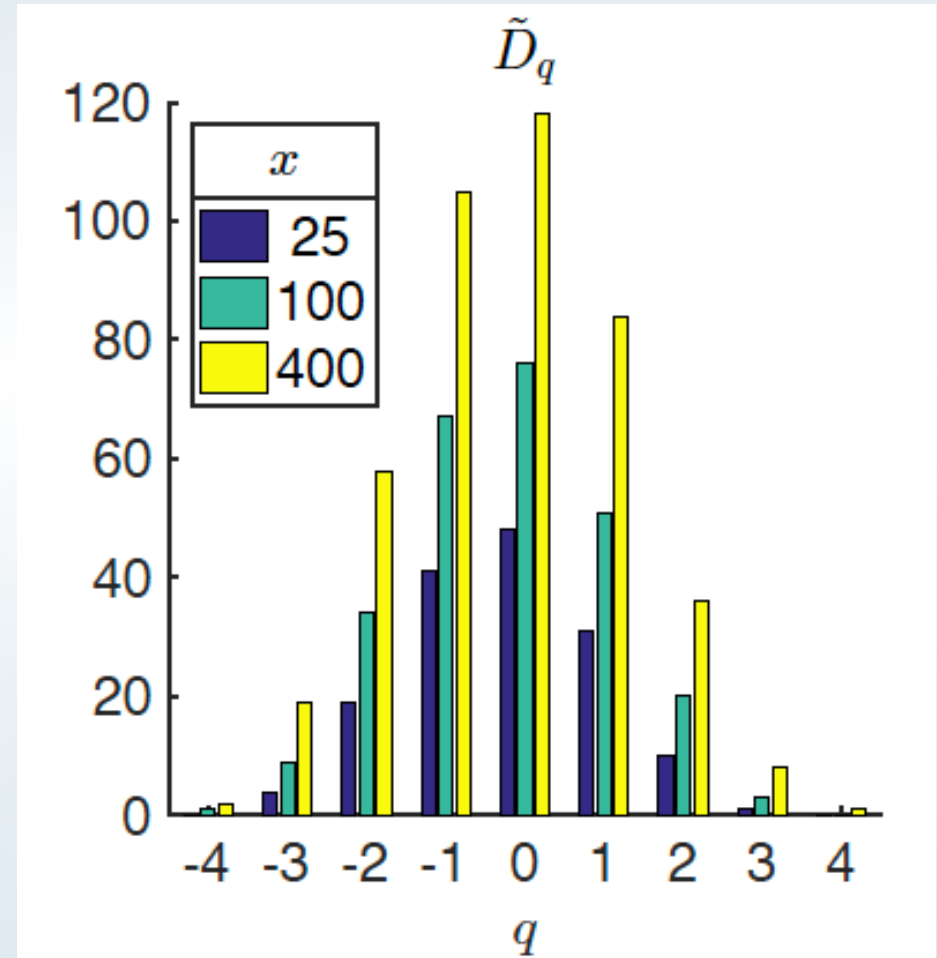
$$A_1^{1,p} = \begin{matrix} q \setminus r & \dots & p-1 & p & p+1 & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ p & \dots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots \\ & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ p+1 & \dots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & a_1^{q,1} & \vdots & \vdots & \dots \\ & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ p+2 & \dots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{matrix}$$

a maximum bond dimension per block

decay of Schmidt values



required  $D$  towards cont



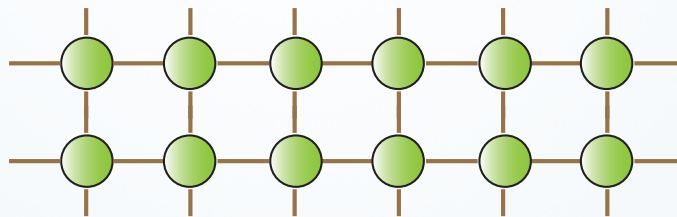
# THERMAL EQUILIBRIUM

# THERMAL PROPERTIES WITH MPO

$$\rho_{th}(\beta) = e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}H} \mathbf{1} e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}H}$$

$$\langle O \rangle_{th} = \text{tr}(O e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}H} \mathbf{1} e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}H})$$

combining real time  
evolution can compute  
thermal response  
functions



$\rho_{th}(\beta)$

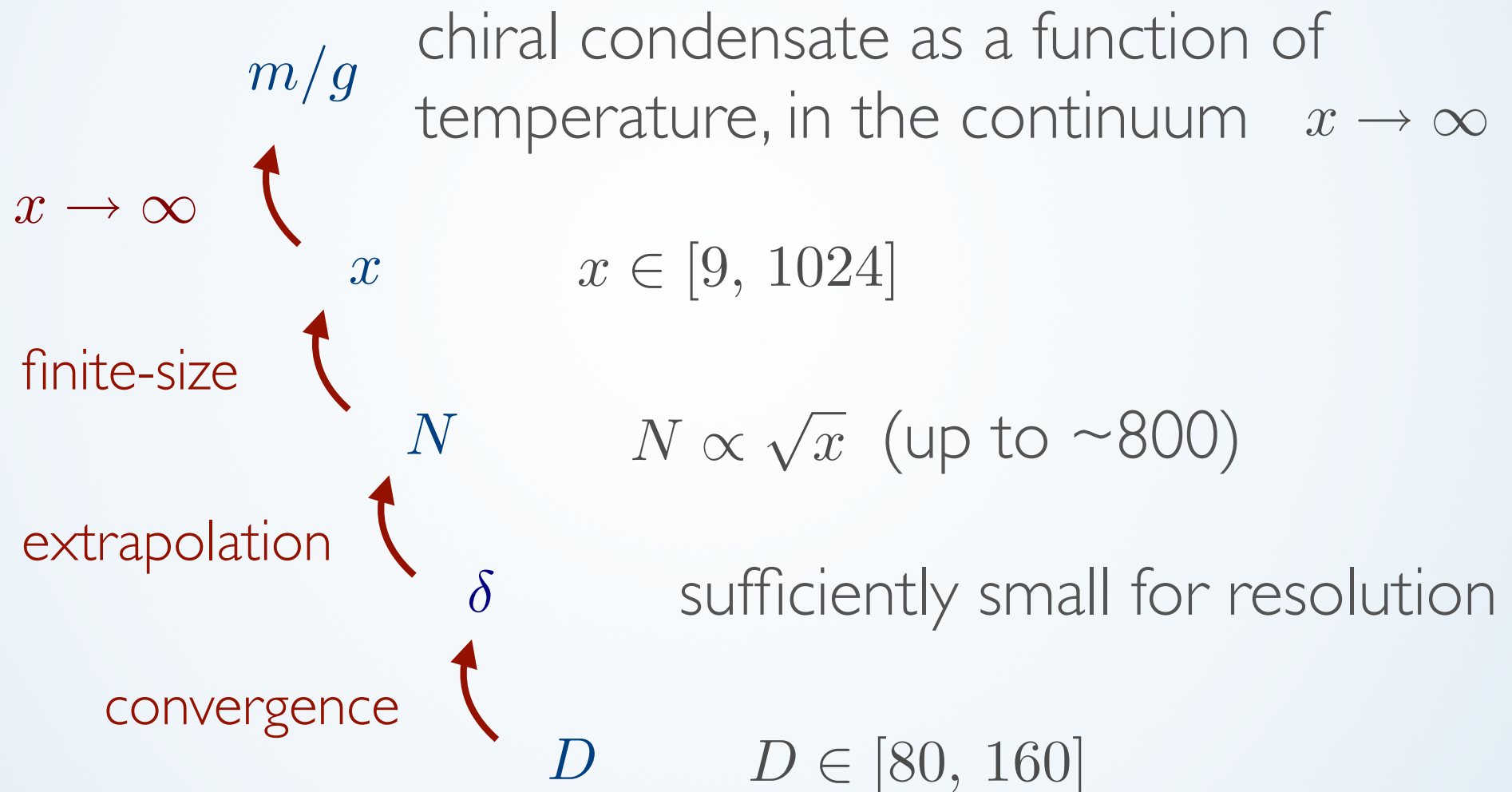
Barthel, NJP 2013  
Karrasch et al NJP 2013

alternative method: METTS

White, PRL 2009  
Binder, Barthel, PRB 2015

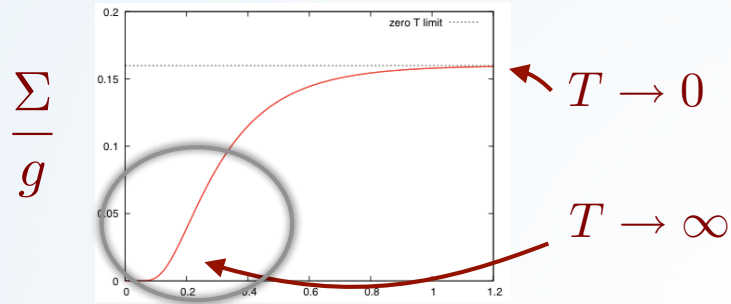
# THERMAL PROPERTIES WITH MPO

Scan parameters; perform extrapolations for each  $\beta$



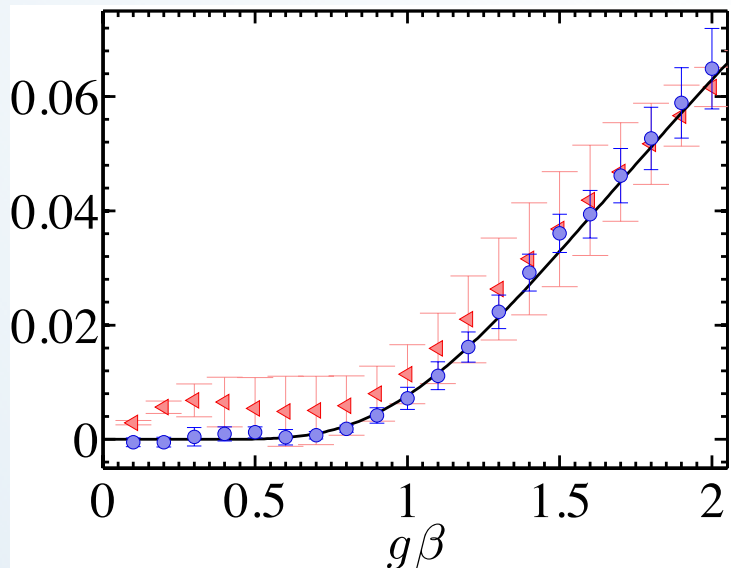
# THERMAL PROPERTIES SCHWINGER

chiral condensate at finite T: analytical for  $m/g=0$

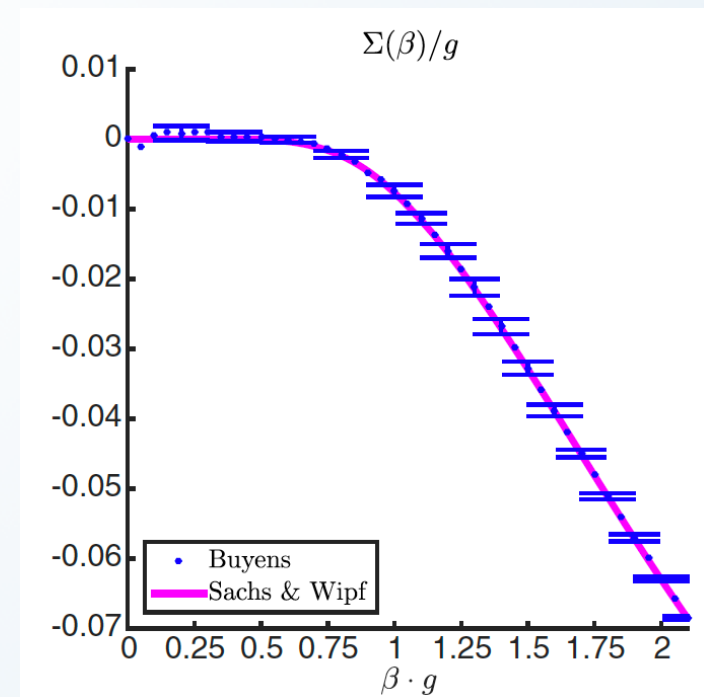


smooth  
restoration of  
chiral symmetry

Sachs, Wipf 92



PRD 92, 034519 (2015); PRD 93, 094512 (2016)



Buyens PRD 94, 085018 (2016)

REAL TIME

# BASIC EVOLUTION ALGORITHMS

Reliable for moderate times, or in some setups

Useful for quantum simulation

S. Kühn et al., Phys. Rev. A 90, 042305 (2014)

S. Kühn et al., JHEP 07 (2015) 130

Buyens et al., PRL 2014; PRX 2016

Rico et al., PRL 2014; NJP 2014; PRX 2016

No full continuum extrapolation yet, but results near the continuum limit



# QUENCH SCENARIO

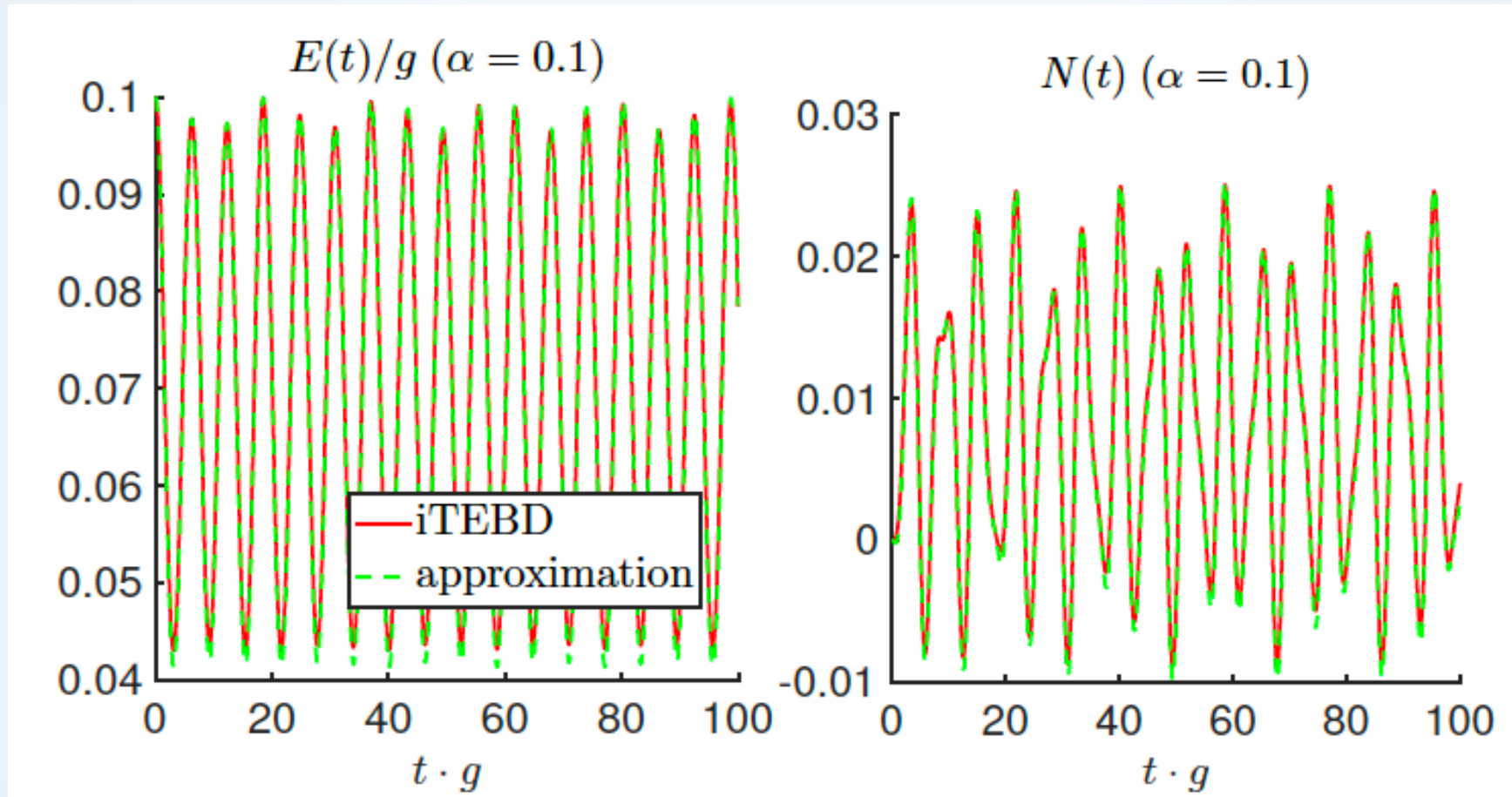
Interacting vacuum (TI)

switch on background electric field  $\alpha$

$\Rightarrow$  pair production

iTEBD evolution

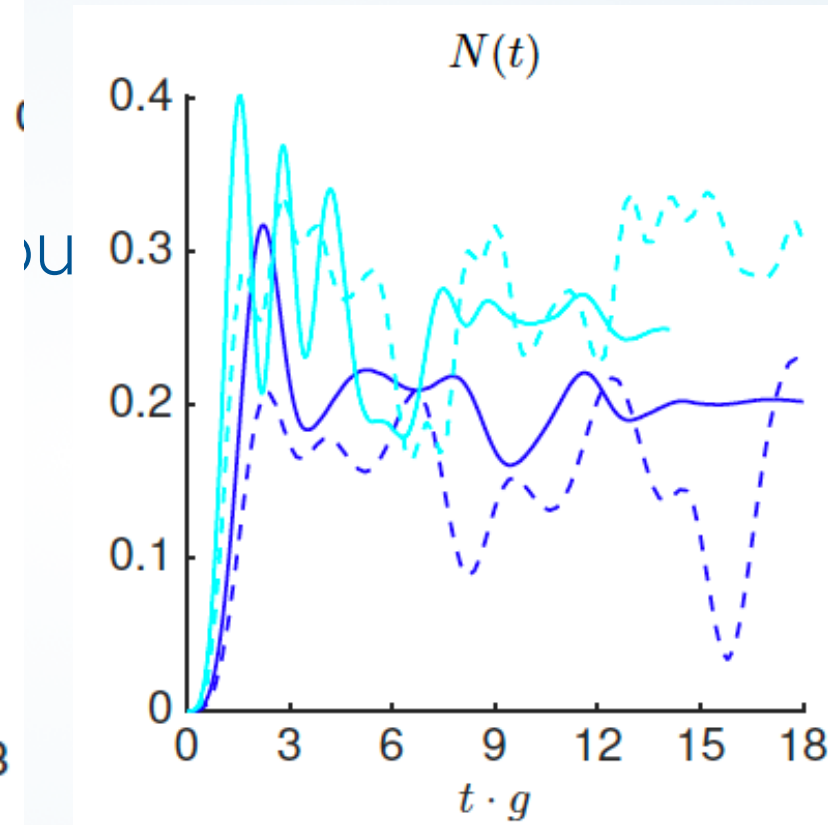
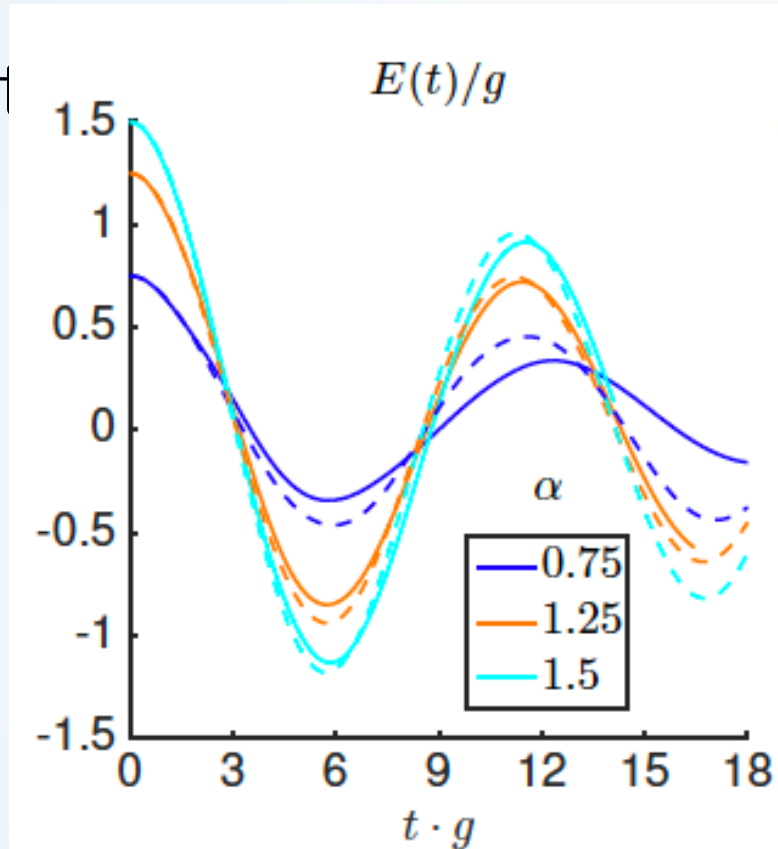
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weak field

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strong field

# BEYOND SCHWINGER

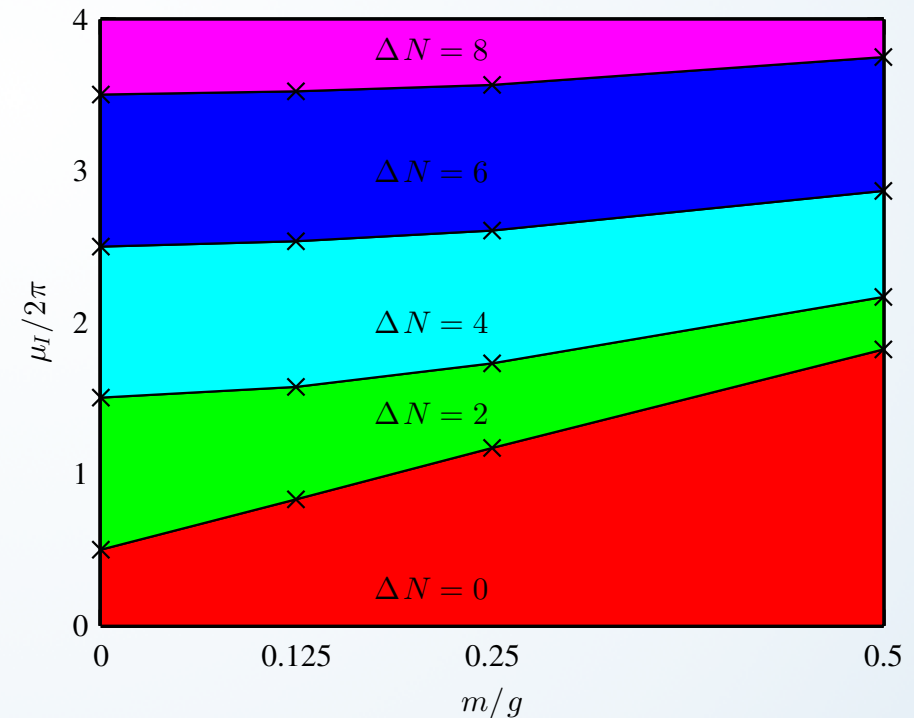
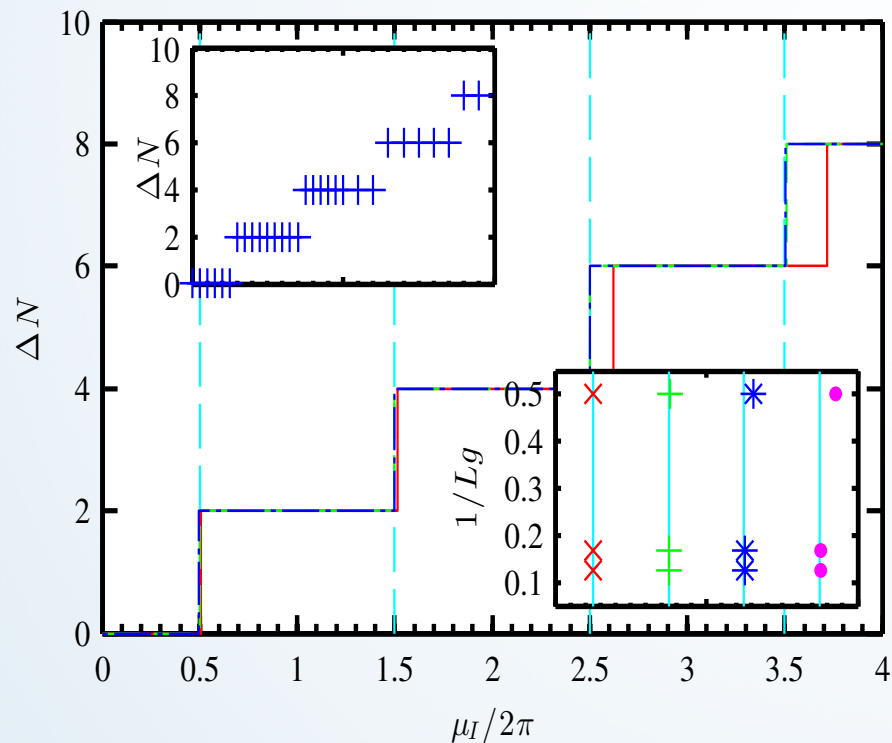
CHEMICAL POTENTIAL:  
OVERCOMING THE SIGN PROBLEM

# FINITE DENSITY WITH MPS

Several fermion flavors, different chemical potentials

ground state density changes (first order PT)

Montecarlo has sign problem



BEYOND SCHWINGER  
NON-ABELIAN ID  
MODELS

# SU(2) MODEL

SU(2) matrices

$$H = \frac{1}{2a} \sum_{n,b,c} \left( \phi_n^{b\dagger} U_n^{bc} \phi_{n+1}^c + \text{h.c.} \right) + m \sum_{n,b} (-1)^n \phi_n^{b\dagger} \phi_n^b + \frac{ag^2}{2} \sum_n \mathbf{J}_n^2$$

Kogut-Susskind '75

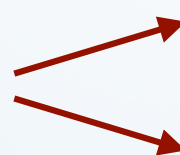
plus non-Abelian Gauss' Law  $G_n^\nu |\Psi_{\text{phys}}\rangle = 0$

$$G_n^\nu = L_n^\nu - R_{n-1}^\nu - Q_n^\nu,$$

$$Q_n^\nu = \sum_{bc} \frac{1}{2} \phi_n^{b\dagger} \sigma_{bc}^\nu \phi_n^c$$

a proper tensor product basis for MPS...

$$| \dots n^1 n^2 \text{ } j \ell \ell' \text{ } n^1 n^2 \dots \rangle$$


 truncate gauge dof  
 integrate out gauge

also P. Sala et al, PRB 98, 034505 (2018)

# ENTROPY

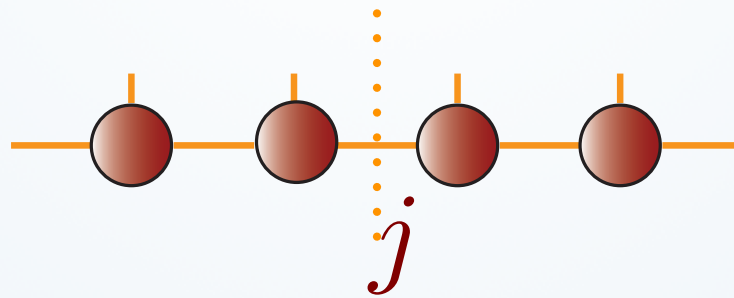


# SU(2) MODEL

Entropy can be efficiently computed from MPS state

gauge constraints not purely local  $\Rightarrow$  not all entropy physical

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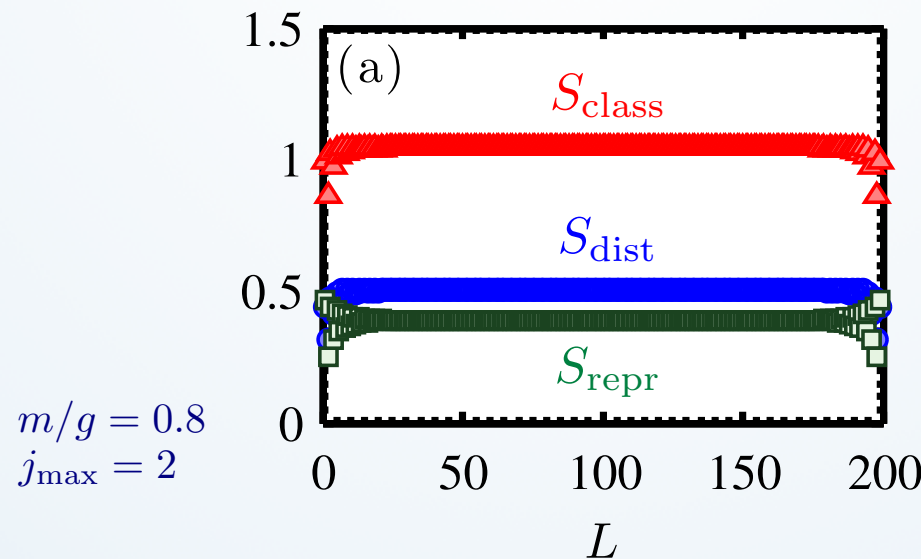
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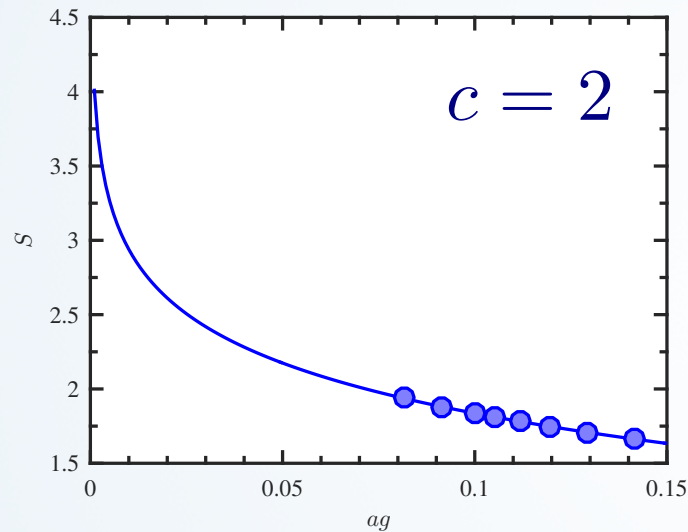
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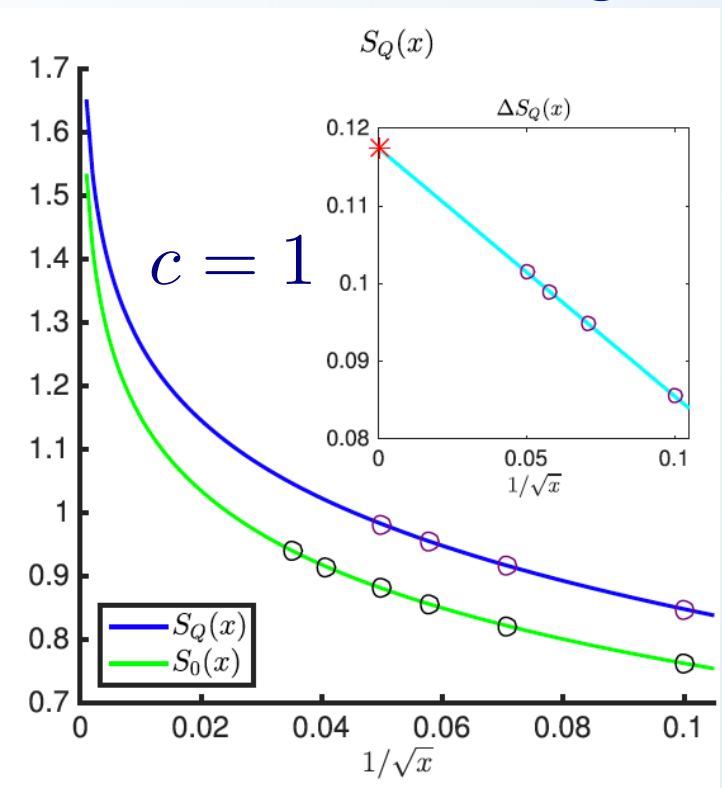
PRX7, 041046 (2017)

divergence in the continuum limit

$$S \propto \frac{c}{6} \log_2 \frac{\xi}{a}$$

Calabrese, Cardy JStatMech 2004

earlier for Schwinger



Buyens PRX6, 041040 (2016)

BEYOND ID

# PEPS FOR 2+1 D LGT

some results with other TNS

explicitly gauge invariant PEPS

restricted ansatz calculations

also Gaussian PEPS

standard PEPS toolbox contains all ingredients

for full variational computation

computational cost, required  $D$

plaquette terms

Tagliacozzo, Vidal PRB 2011

Felser et al. PRX 2020

Magnifico et al. 2011.10658

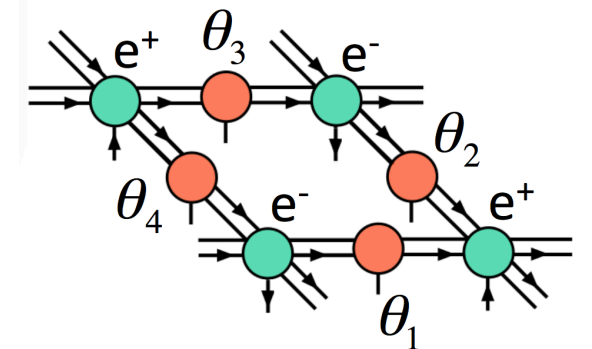
Tagliacozzo et al PRX 2014

Haegeman et al PRX 2014

Zohar et al Ann Phys 2015

Zohar, Cirac PRD 2018

Emonts et. al., PRD 102, 074501 (2020)



Zapp, Orús PRD 2017

# PEPS FOR LGT

computational cost, required  $D$

great recent progress

Corboz PRB94, 035133 (2016)

Vanderstraeten et al. PRB 94, 155123 (2016)

outperform other methods

Corboz PRB93, 045116 (2016)

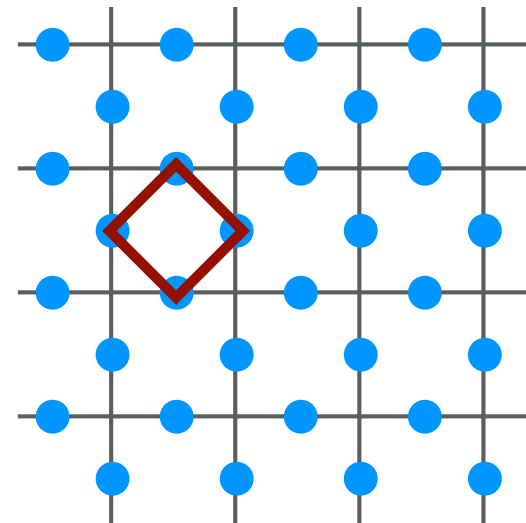
PRL 113, 046402 (2014)

plaquette terms

optimizing four tensors at once  $\Rightarrow$  much larger cost

Dusuel et al. PRL 2011

Schulz et al. NJP 2012



# A NEW STRATEGY

generalizes a strategy proposed for digital quantum simulation

Zohar et al. PRL 118, 070501 (2017);  
PRA 95, 023604 (2017); JPA 50, 085301 (2017)

plaquette terms reduced to nearest neighbour  
at the cost of introducing ancillary dof

can also be used to impose Gauss' law

incorporate in iPEPS imaginary time evolution

use it to study the phase diagram of  $Z_3$  pure  
LGT

D. Robaina, MCB, J. I. Cirac, PRL 126, 050401 (2021)

# $Z_3$ LGT MODEL



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$$E|e\rangle = e|e\rangle$$

$$e \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

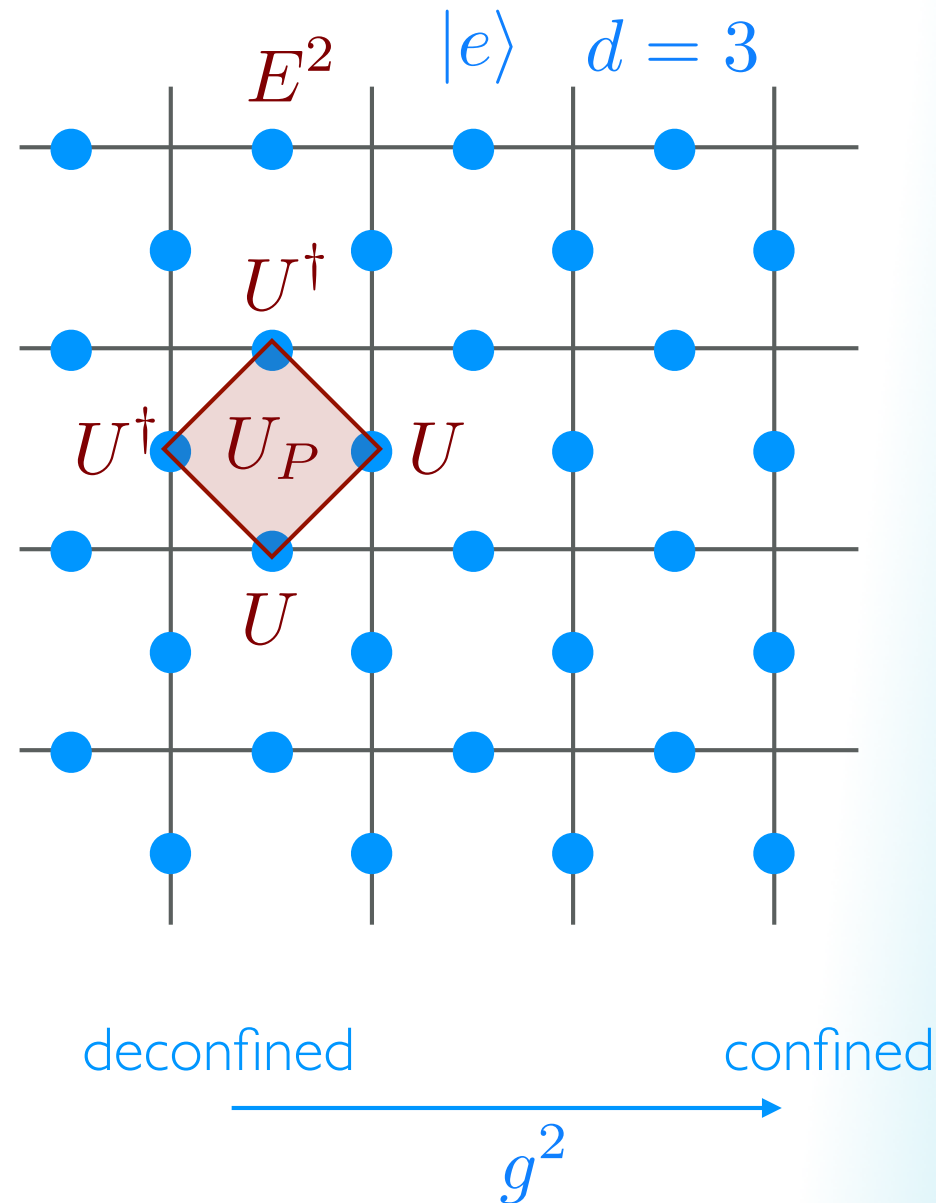
$$U|e\rangle = |e - 1\rangle$$

$$H = H_E + H_\square$$

electric  $\rightarrow H_E = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_{\ell} E_{\ell}^2$

magnetic  $\rightarrow H_\square = -\frac{1}{2g^2} \sum_{\square} U_P + U_P^\dagger$

$$Z_N \rightarrow U(1) \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$



# $Z_3$ LGT

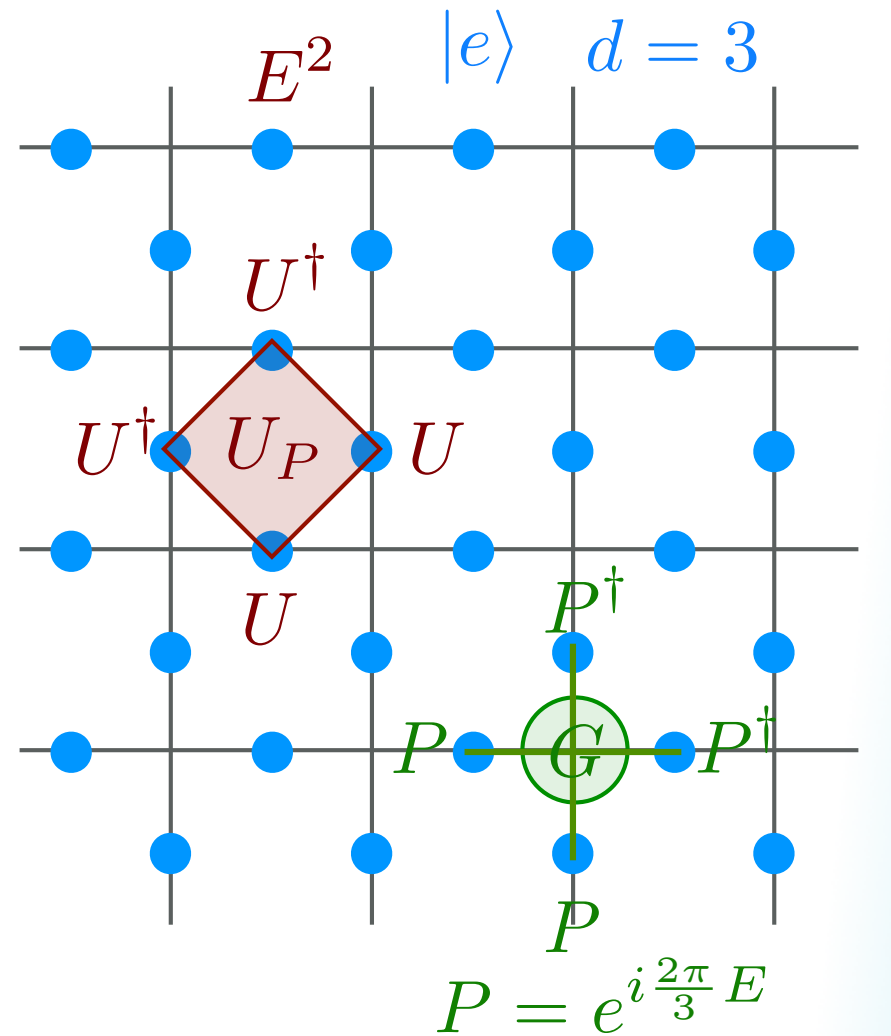
$$H = H_E + H_\square$$

$$[H, G(x)] = 0$$

physical states: Gauss' law

$$G(\mathbf{x})|\psi\rangle = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}q(\mathbf{x})}|\psi\rangle$$

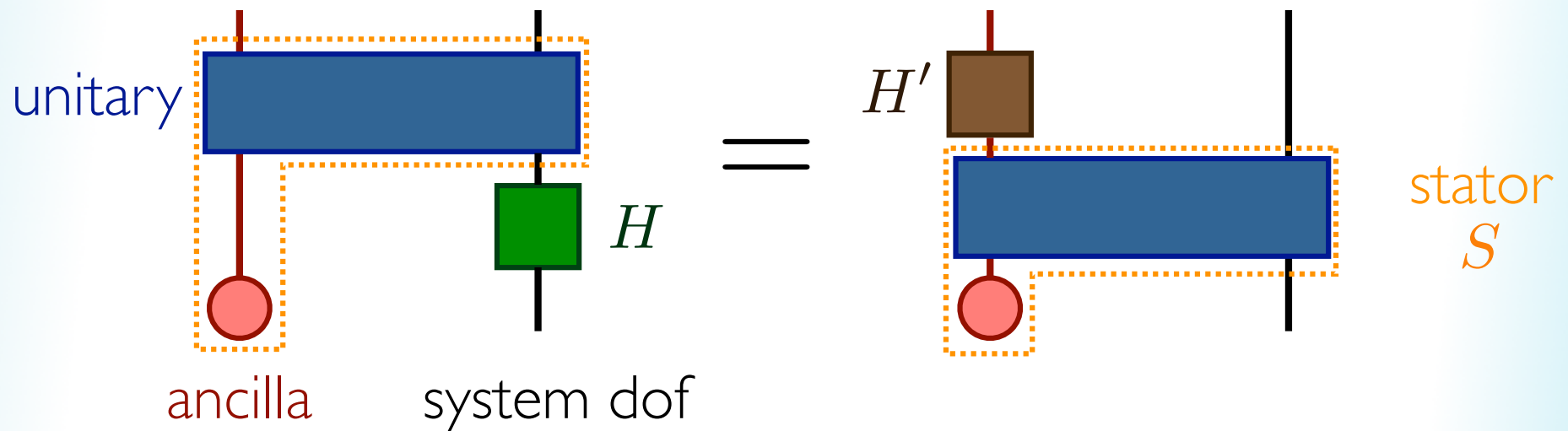
$q \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$   
 external charges



$$e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}(E_\ell + E_d - E_r - E_u)}$$

# EFFECTIVE PLAQUETTE TERMS

strategy proposed for digital quantum simulation

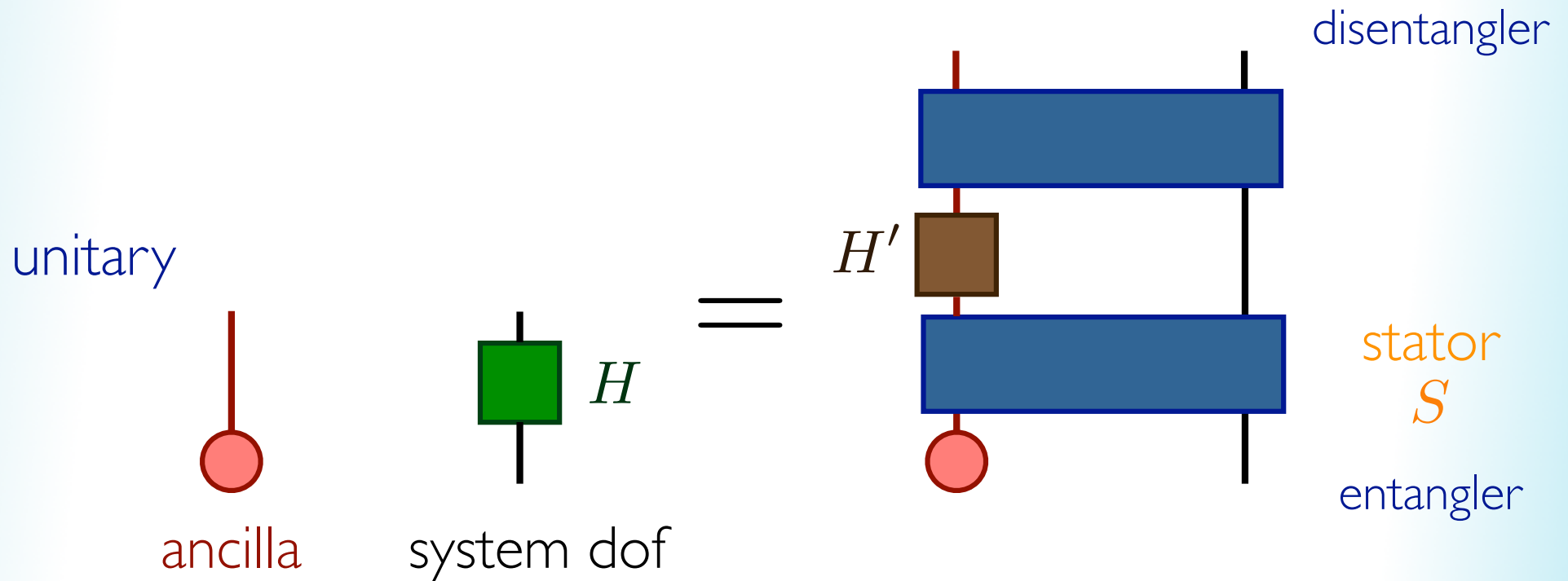


$$SH = H'S$$

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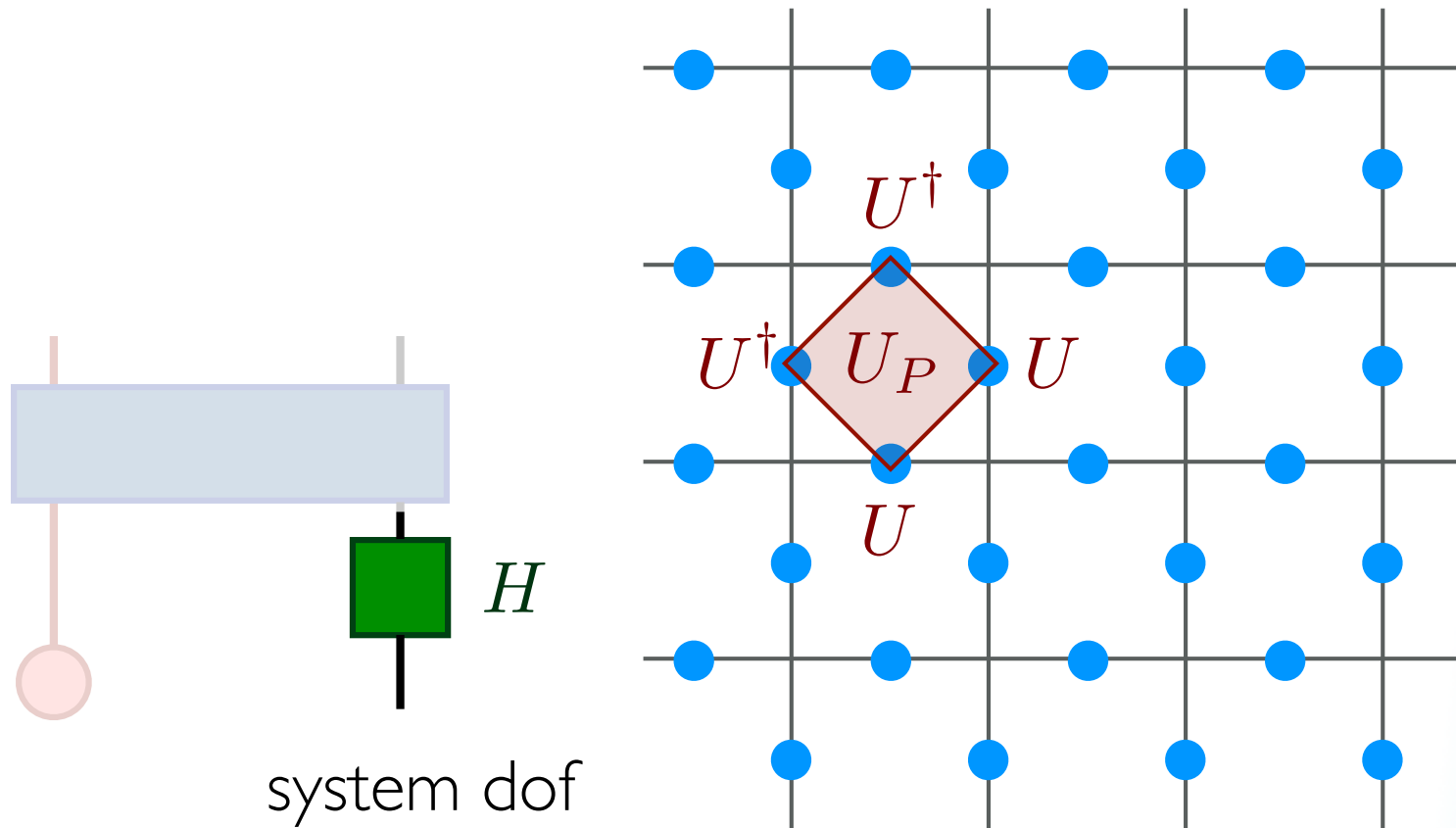
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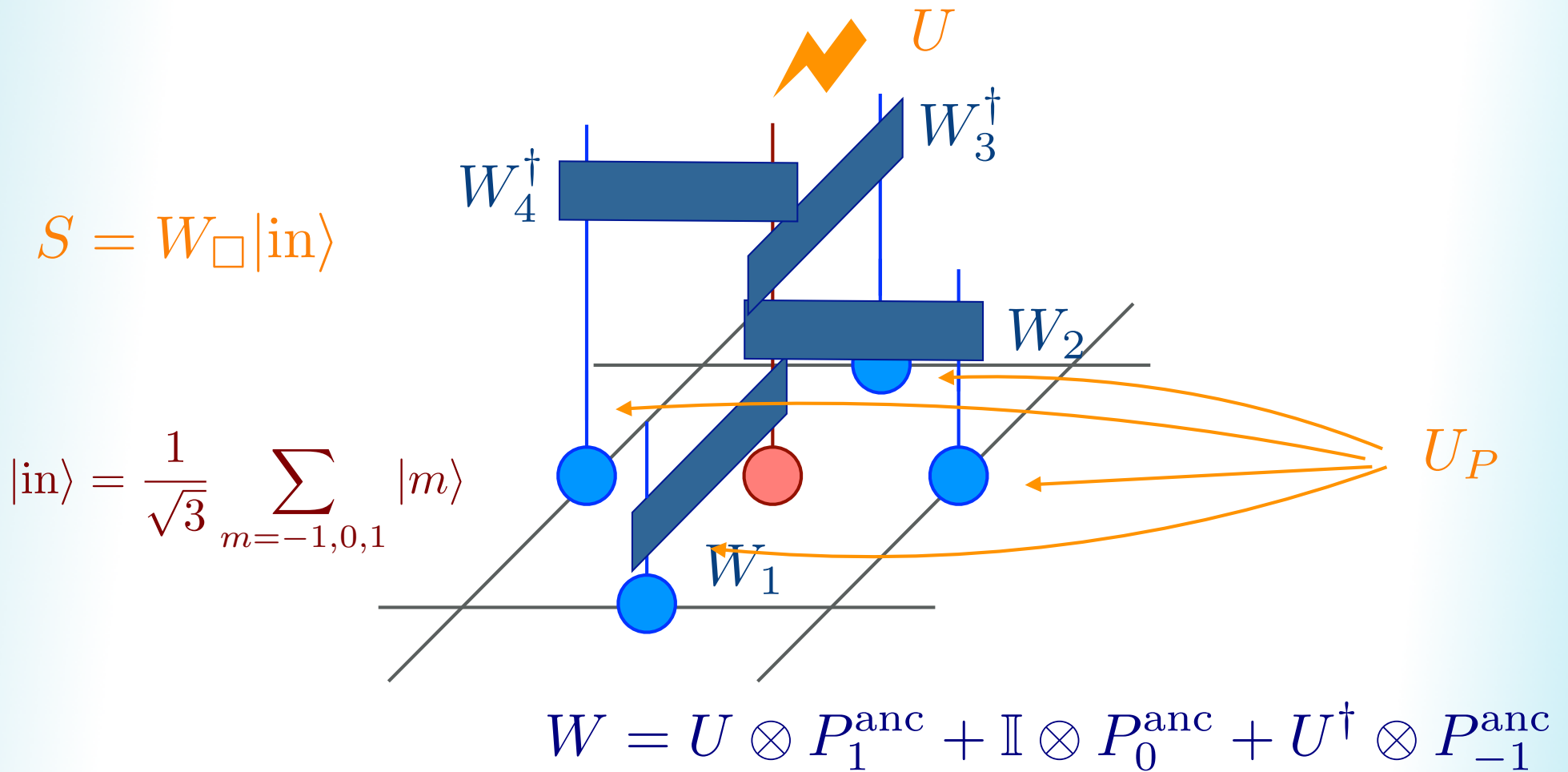
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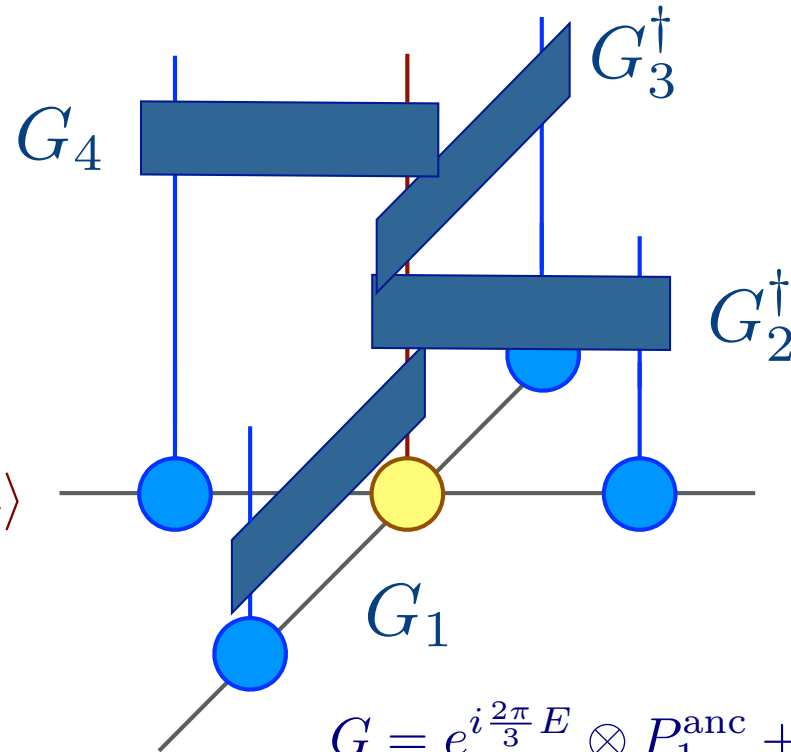
# GAUSS' LAW

projector for external charge on a vertex

$$P_q = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{m=-1,0,1} e^{im \frac{2\pi}{3}} (E_1 - E_2 - E_3 + E_4 - q(\mathbf{x}))$$

$$S_G = G_+ |\text{in}\rangle$$

$$|\text{in}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sum_{m=-1,0,1} |m\rangle$$



$$G = e^{i \frac{2\pi}{3} E} \otimes P_1^{\text{anc}} + \mathbb{I} \otimes P_0^{\text{anc}} + e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{3} E} \otimes P_{-1}^{\text{anc}}$$

$$S_G P_q = \tilde{P}_q S_G$$

$$\tilde{P}_q = \mathbb{I} + e^{-i \frac{2\pi q}{3}} U + e^{i \frac{2\pi q}{3}} U^\dagger$$

# iPEPS SIMULATION

imaginary time evolution

$$\frac{e^{-\tau H} |\Phi\rangle}{\|e^{-\tau H} |\Phi\rangle\|} \rightarrow |E_0\rangle$$

*local*      *using ancilla construction*

$$e^{-\tau H} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( e^{-\frac{\delta\tau}{2} H_E} e^{-\delta\tau H} \square e^{-\frac{\delta\tau}{2} H_E} \right)^n$$

simple update used to evolve the tensors

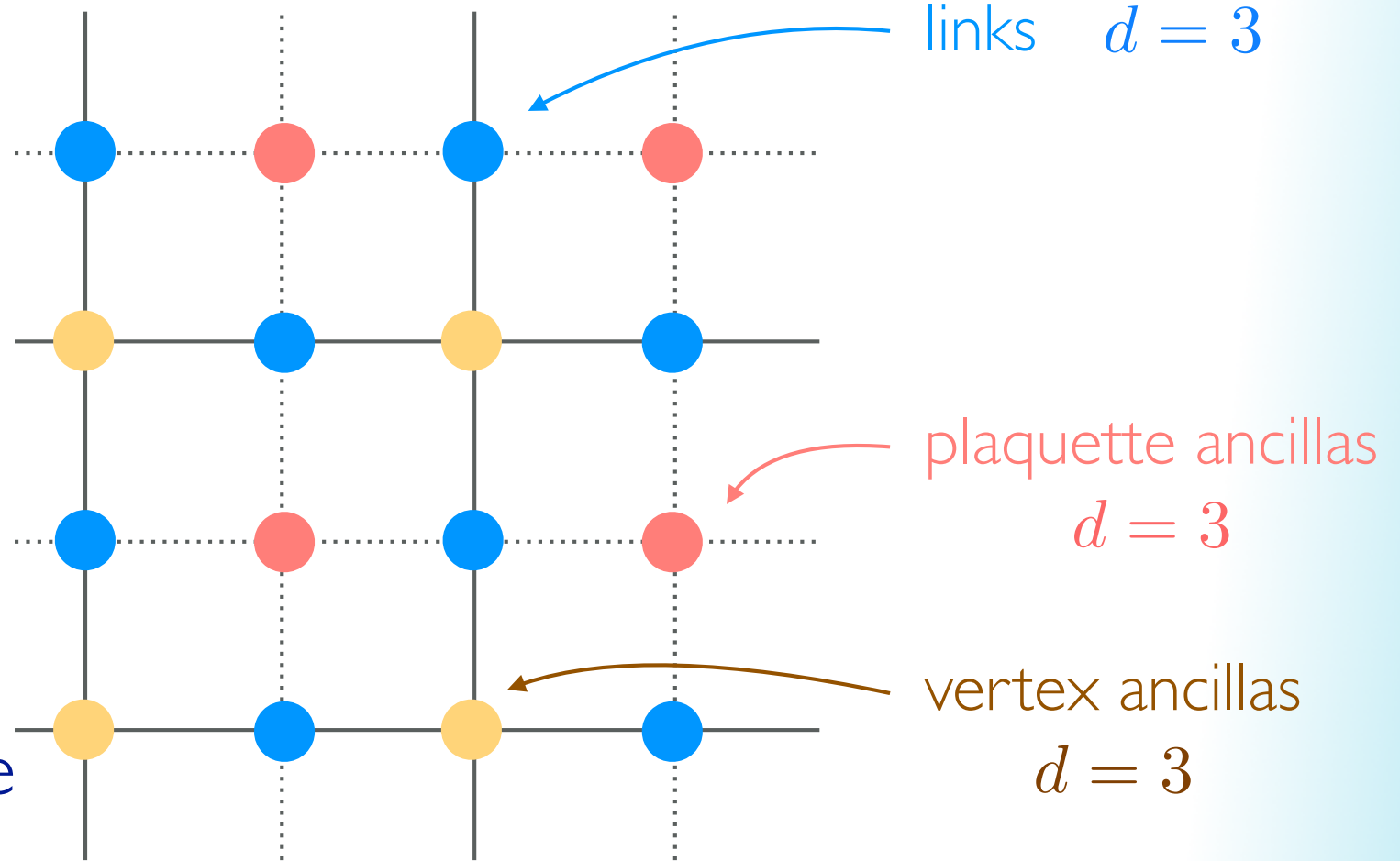
environment contraction with CTM

SYTEN toolkit by C. Hubig <https://syten.eu/>



# iPEPS SIMULATION

unit cell  
 $4 \times 4$



charge sector  
imposed at the  
beginning with  
vertex projector

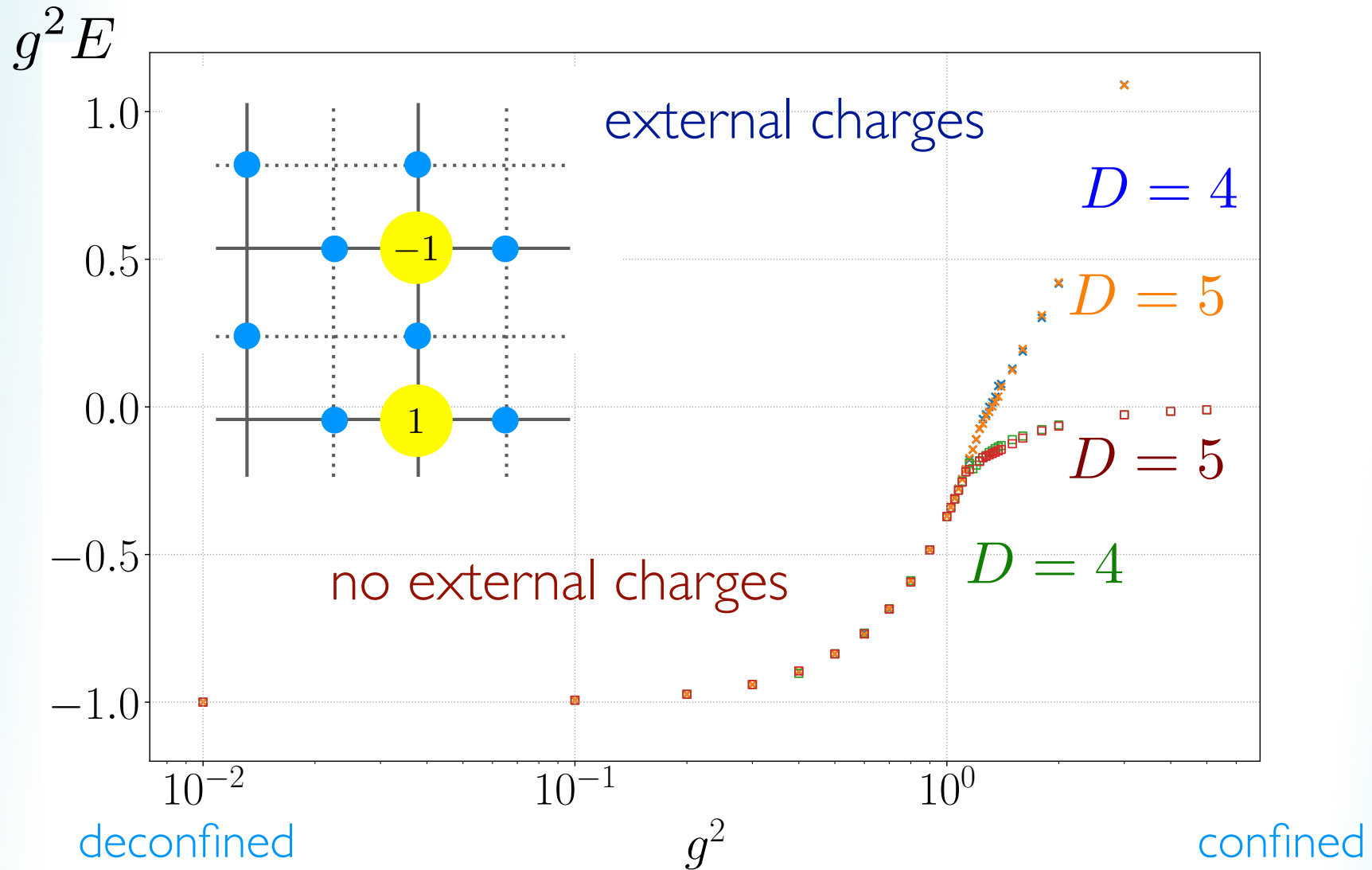
# RESULTS

# PHASE DIAGRAM

first order phase transition

Blöte, Swendsen, PRL 1979

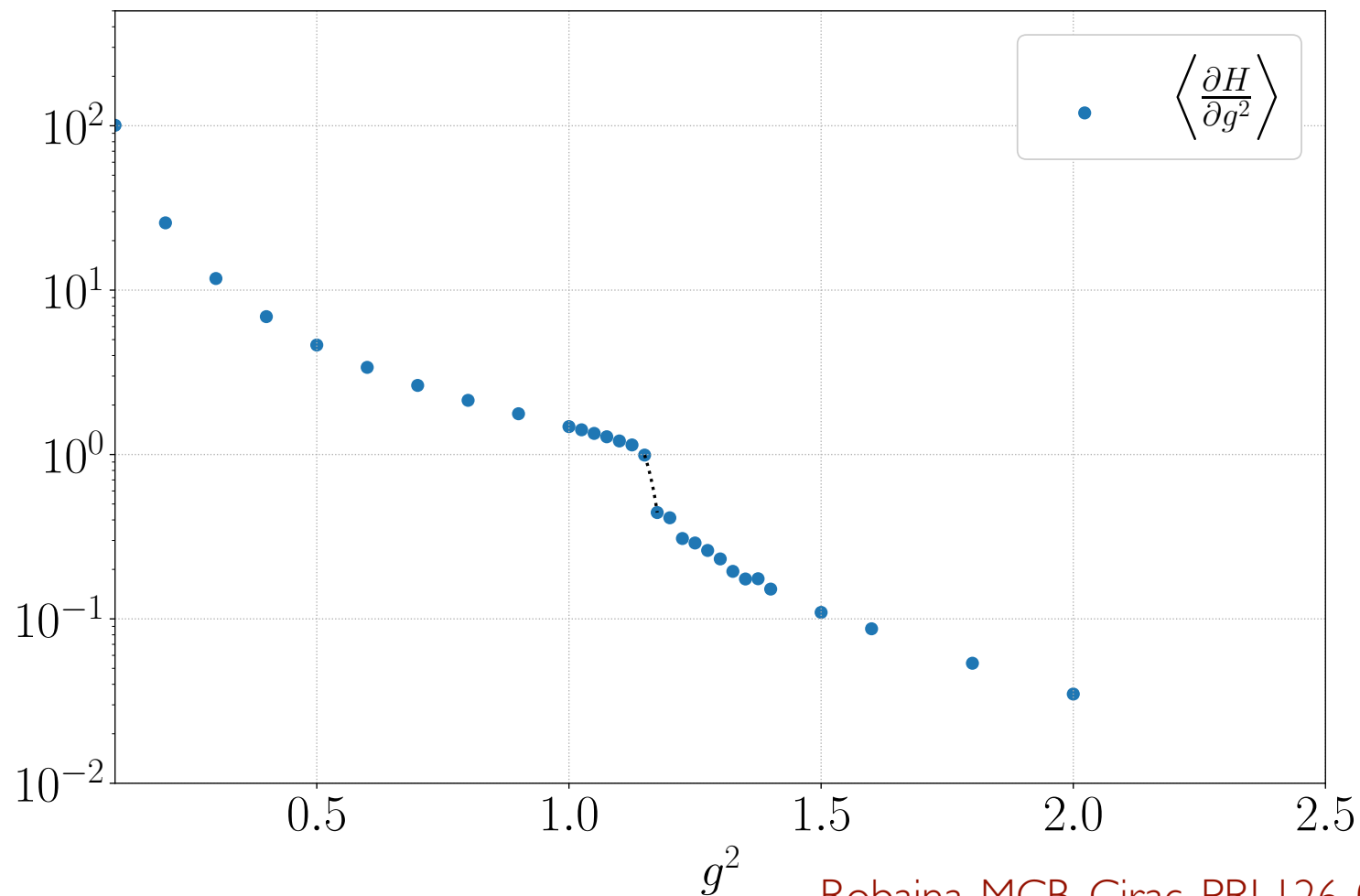
Bhanot, Creutz, PRD 1980



# PHASE DIAGRAM

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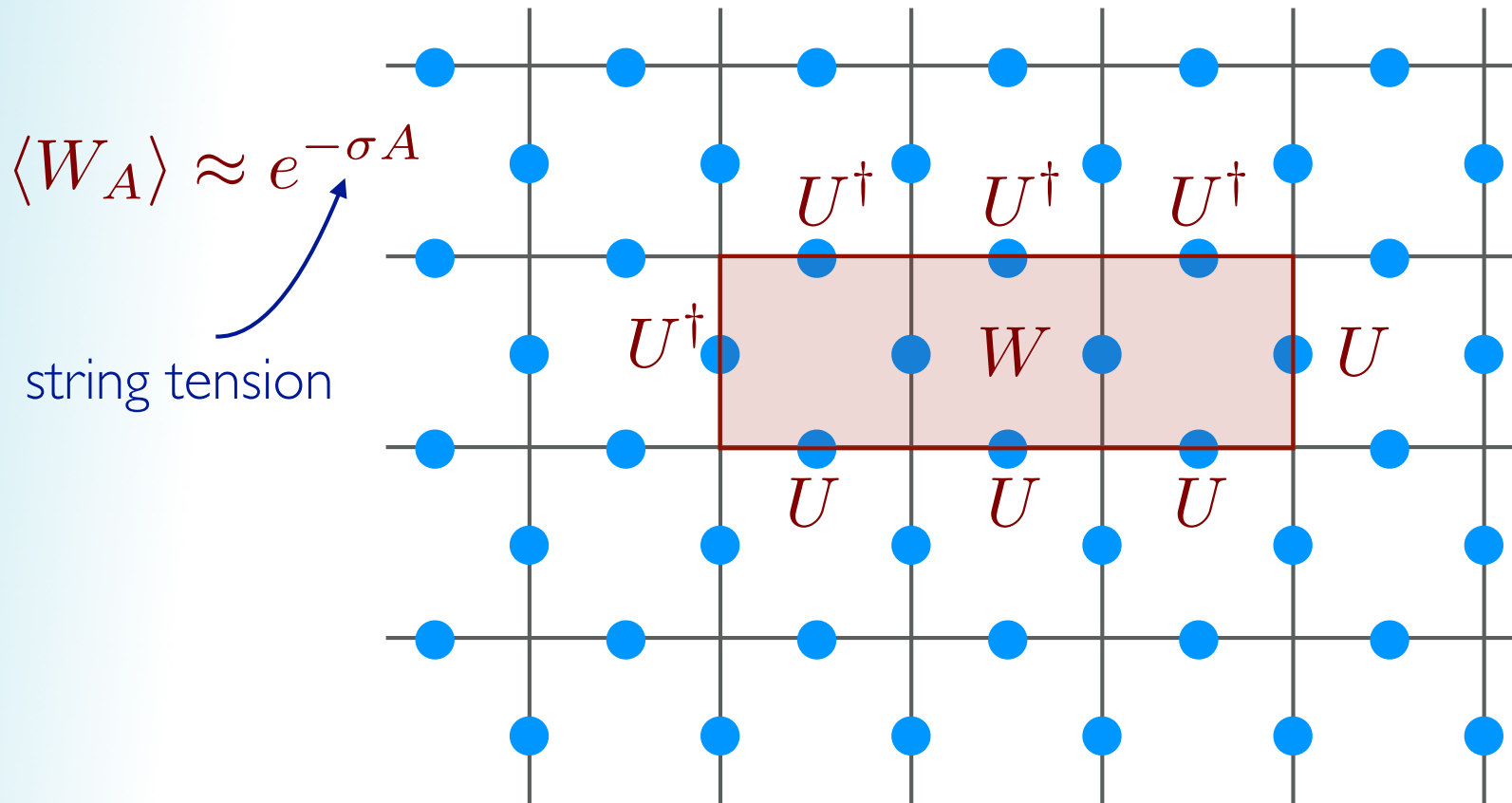
discontinuity in derivative of energy



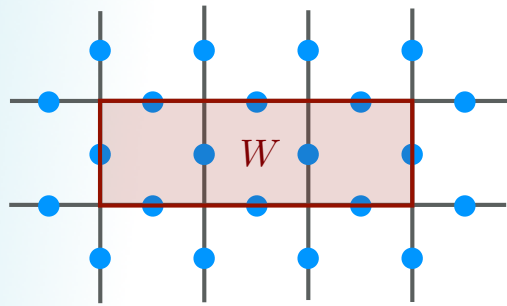
# WILSON LOOP

to distinguish between deconfined and confined phases

decay with area

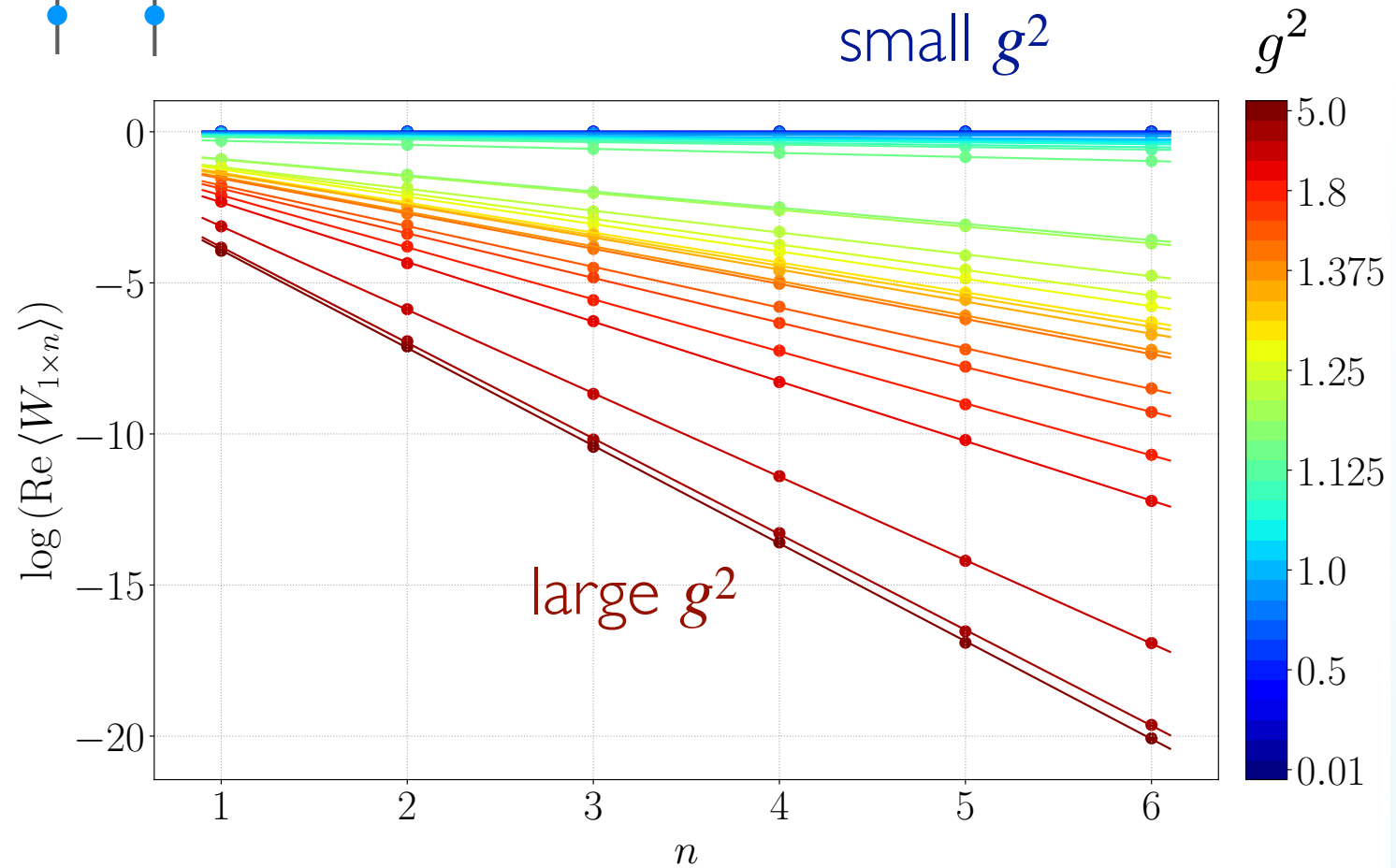


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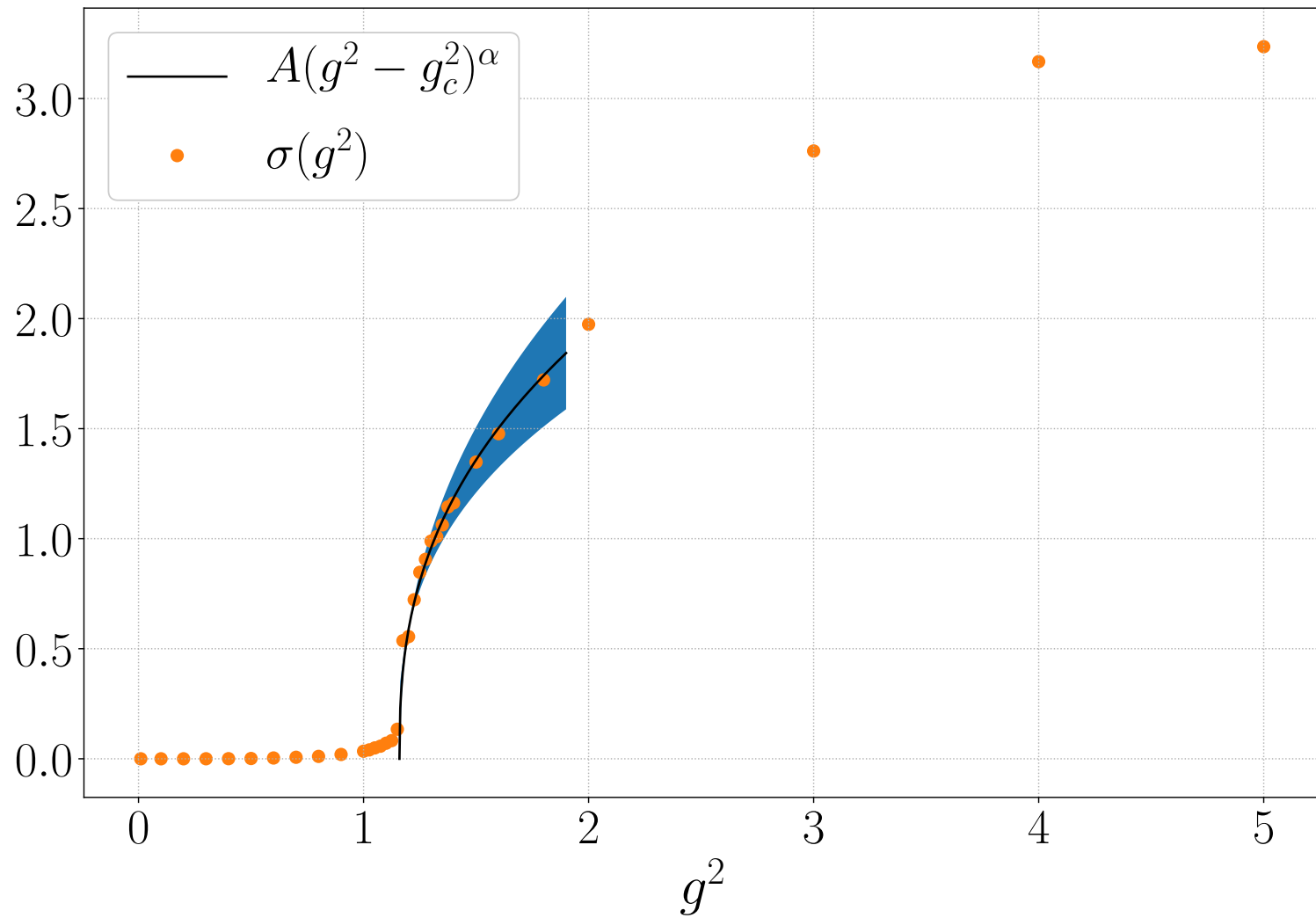
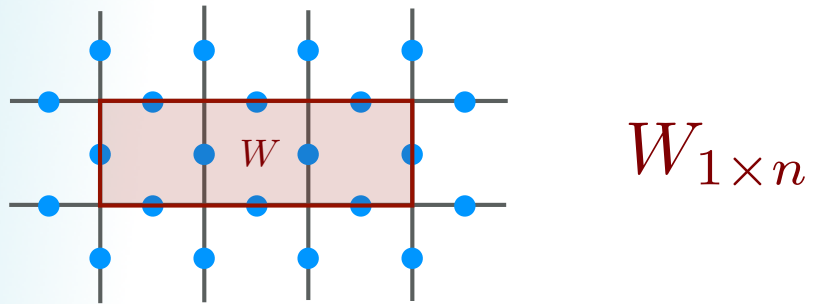


$$W_{1 \times n}$$

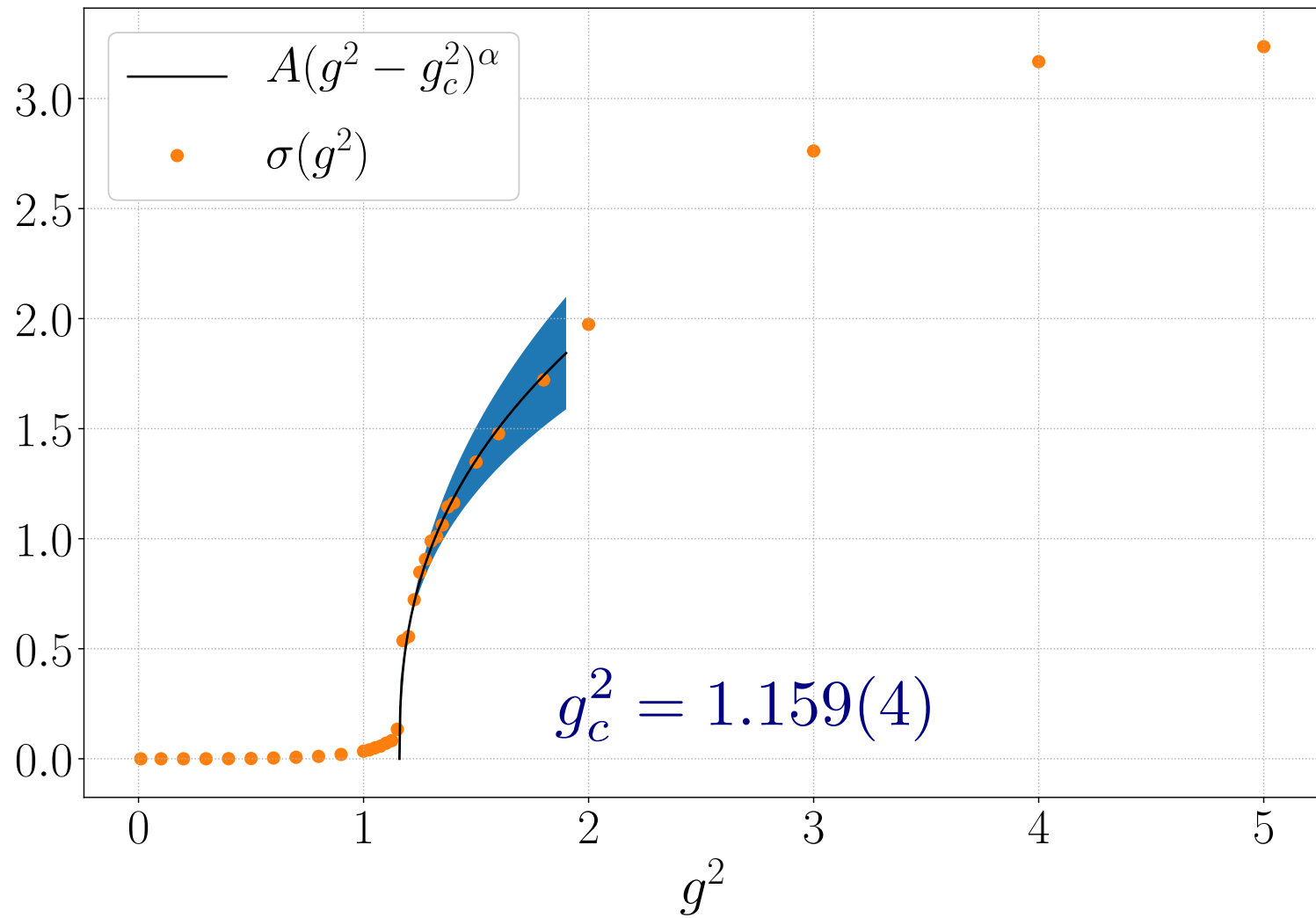
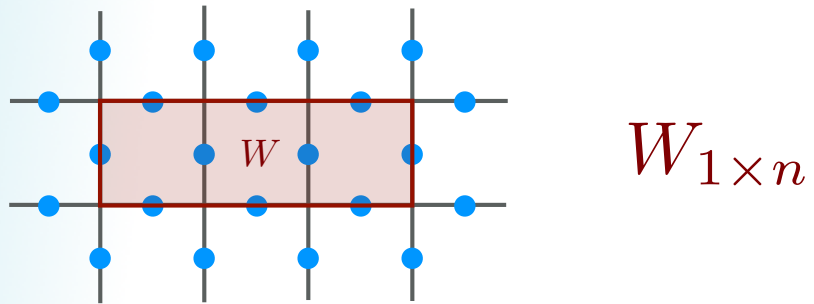
small  $g^2$



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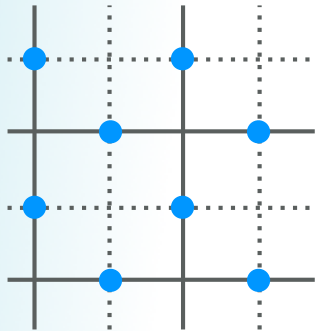


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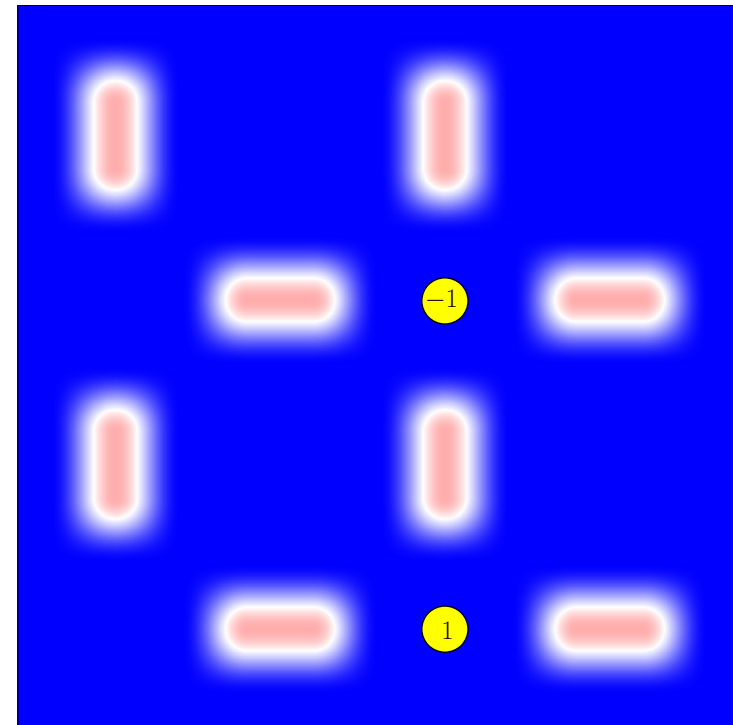
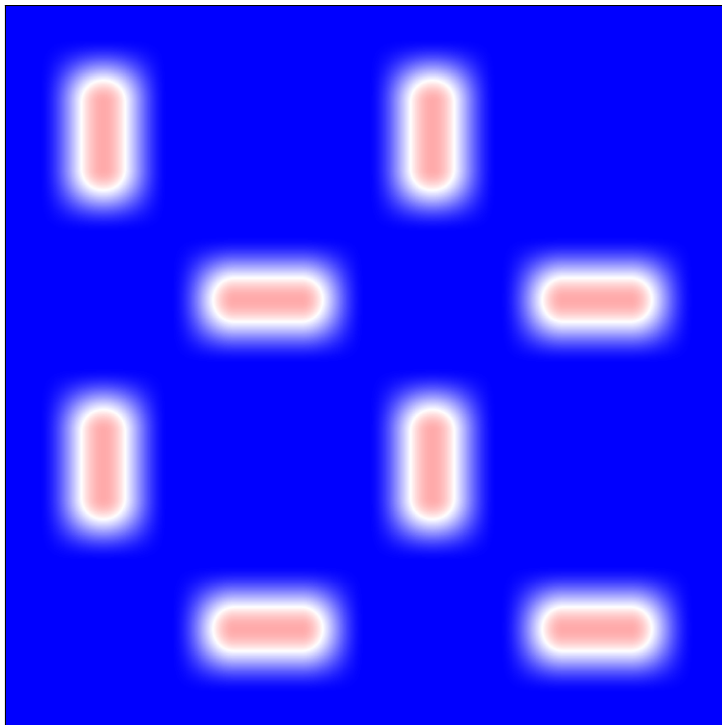
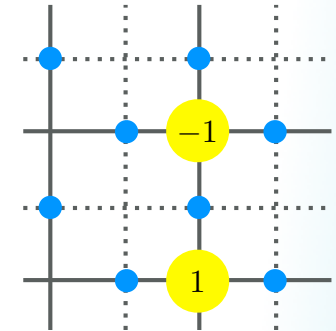




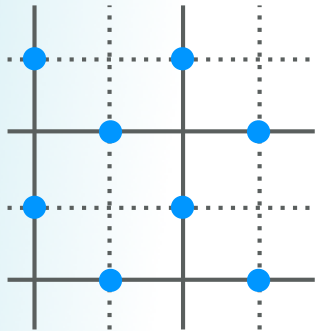
# CONFINEMENT OF ELECTRIC FIELD



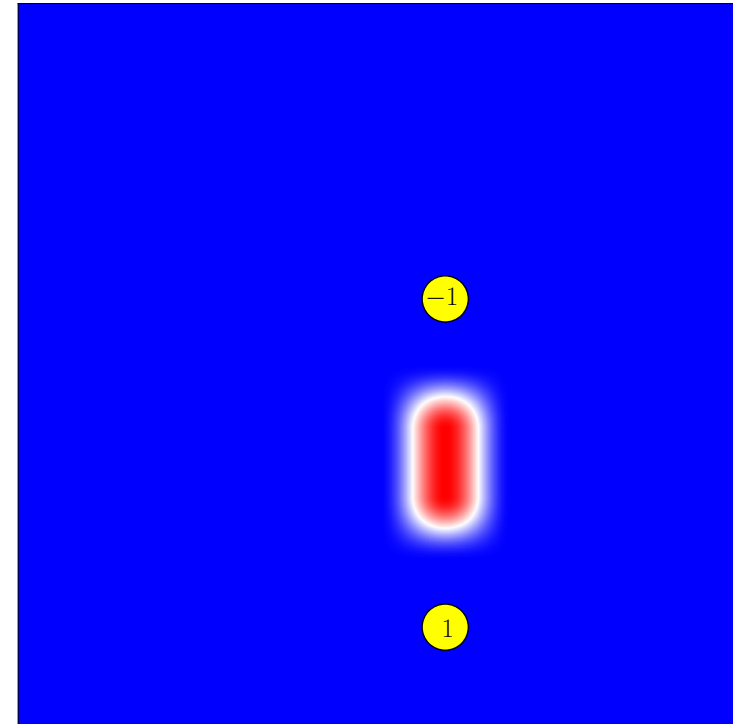
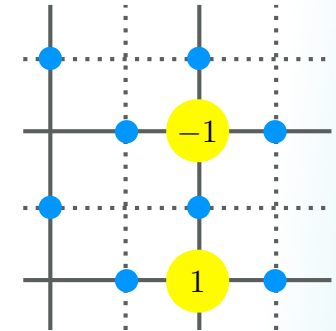
$$g^2 = 0.1$$



# CONFINEMENT OF ELECTRIC FIELD



$$g^2 = 5$$



ANOTHER APPROACH

# A FAMILY OF PEPS

development from formal approach

explicitly gauge invariant PEPS

numerical calculations limited

computational cost

restricted families of PEPS allow for more  
efficient contraction/optimization

using Monte Carlo techniques

Zohar, Cirac, PRD97, 034510 (2018)

accurate enough for certain regimes

Emonts, MCB, Cirac, Zohar, PRD102, 074501 (2020)

Tagliacozzo et al PRX 2014  
Haegeman et al PRX 2014  
Zohar et al Ann Phys 2015

# ESSENTIALS

gauging PEPS

whole state: matter + gauge dof

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\mathcal{G}} |\mathcal{G}\rangle_{\text{gauge}} |\Psi(\mathcal{G})\rangle_{\text{matter}}$$

← not normalized

observable diagonal in gauge variables more general  
also possible

$$\langle O \rangle = \sum_{\mathcal{G}} \langle \mathcal{G} | O | \mathcal{G} \rangle \frac{\langle \Psi(\mathcal{G}) | \Psi(\mathcal{G}) \rangle}{\sum_{\mathcal{G}'} \langle \Psi(\mathcal{G}') | \Psi(\mathcal{G}') \rangle}$$

← probability

computable for specific  $|\Psi(\mathcal{G})\rangle$

# ESSENTIALS

gauged Gaussian PEPS

fermionic matter  $\rightarrow$  globally symmetric Gaussian

fermionic PEPS

Kraus et al., PRA 81, 052338 (2010)

additional gauge dof  $\rightarrow$  entangled with virtual dof via  
controlled group operation

contraction of matter part is efficient (Gaussian  
formalism)

whole state not Gaussian

Zohar, Burrello, NJP 18, 043008 (2016)

Zohar, Cirac, PRD 97, 034510 (2018)

# APPLIED TO $Z_3$

considered pure gauge theory

ansatz incorporates translational, rotational  
symmetry

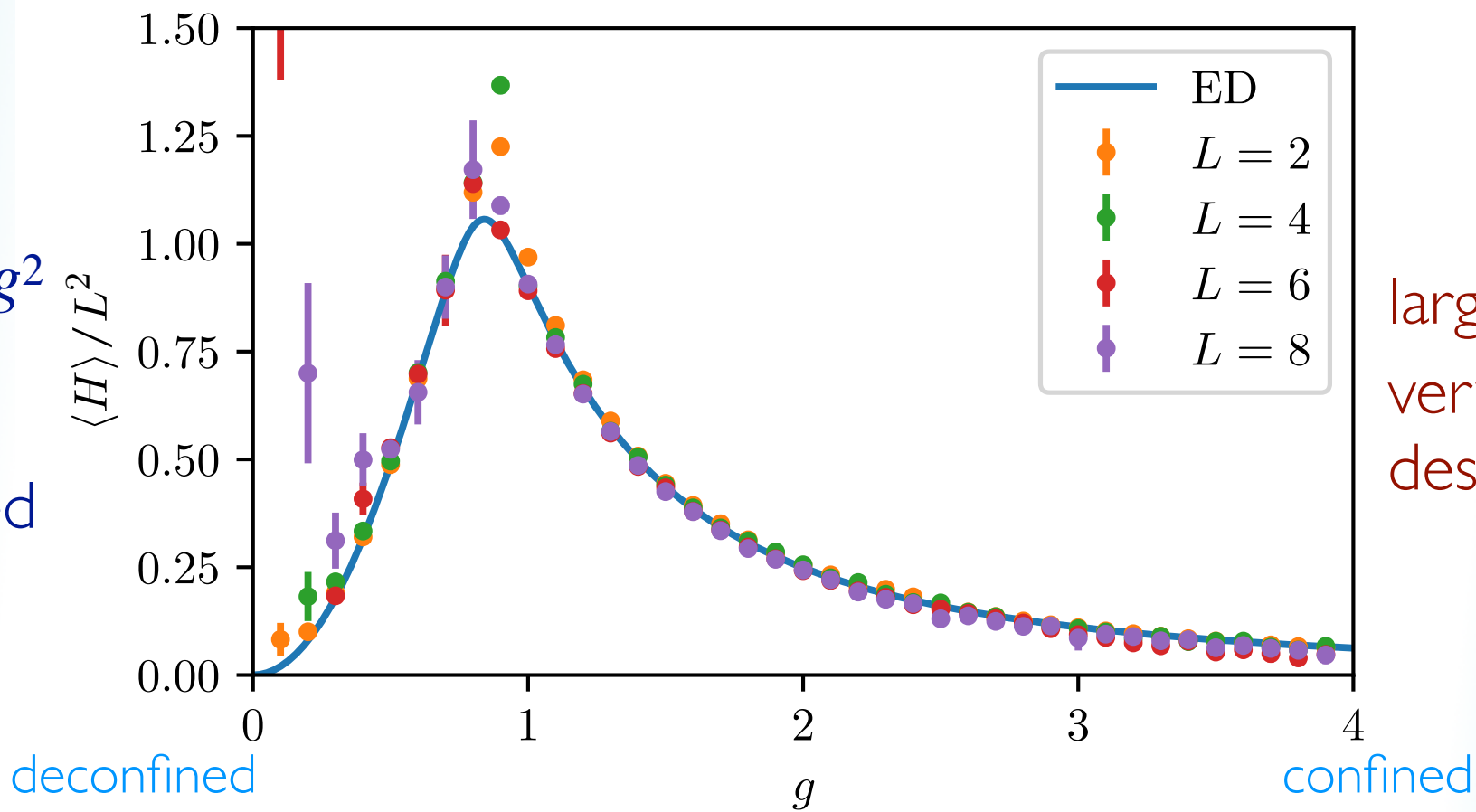
finite PBC lattices

layered construction to control number of  
variational parameters

variational Monte Carlo to optimize parameters

# RESULTS

$L \times L$  lattice



small  $g^2$   
more  
layers  
needed

large  $g^2$   
very good  
description

deconfined

confined



# Related, but I didn't talk about...

## TNS for other field theories

Thirring model, PRD100, 094504 (2019)

Thermal QFT dynamics, PRR2, 033301 (2020)

## continuous TNS for QFT

Verstraete, Cirac PRL104, 190405 (2010)

Tilloy, Cirac PRX9, 021040 (2019)

## proposals for quantum simulation of LGT with ultracold atoms

Zohar et al. PRL 2010, 2012 ,

Tagliacozzo et al., Nat. Comm. 2013

Banerjee et al., PRL 2012

Rico et al. PRL 2014

Pichler et al, PRX 2016

Zohar, Burrello, PRD 2015

<http://heptnseminar.org>

# CONCLUSION

feasibility of TNS for LQFT demonstrated in 1+1D

high numerical precision attainable (controlled errors)

spectrum, thermal equilibrium, finite density,

(some) dynamics

Abelian and non-Abelian models

MCB, K. Cichy 1910.00257

QTFLAG Collab. 1911.00003

already results for 2+1D LGT (and higher)

first fully variational iPEPS study of 2+1D LGT

Robaina, MCB, Cirac, 2007.11630

finite PBC lattice → variational MC and gauged Gaussian PEPS

Emonts, MCB, Cirac, Zohar, PRD102, 074501 (2020)

first 3+1D simulations available

Magnifico et al. 2011.10658

progress in higher D brings us closer to more  
complicated theories/scenarios



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