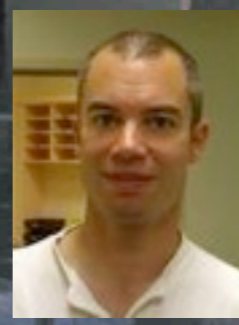


# Entanglement Entropy in Spin Liquids, Gapless Phases and Quantum Critical Points

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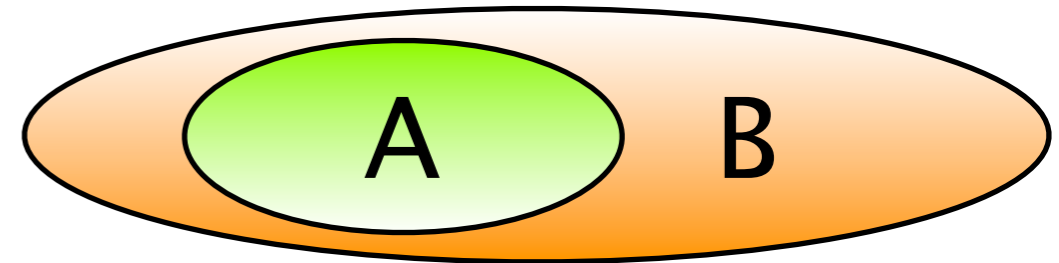
“The fact that information can be measured is, by now, generally accepted”  
A. Renyi, 1960

Renyi Entropy:

$$S_n(\rho_A) = \frac{1}{1-n} \ln [\text{Tr}(\rho_A^n)]$$

$$S_1(\rho_A) = -\text{Tr}(\rho_A \ln \rho_A)$$

$$S_2(\rho_A) = -\ln [\text{Tr}(\rho_A^2)]$$



$$\rho = \text{Tr}|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$$

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho)$$

- Comes for free in DMRG via the reduced density matrix
- $n \geq 2$  can be measured in Quantum Monte Carlo with a **swap** operator (T=0 projector) or a **replica trick** (T>0 world-line).

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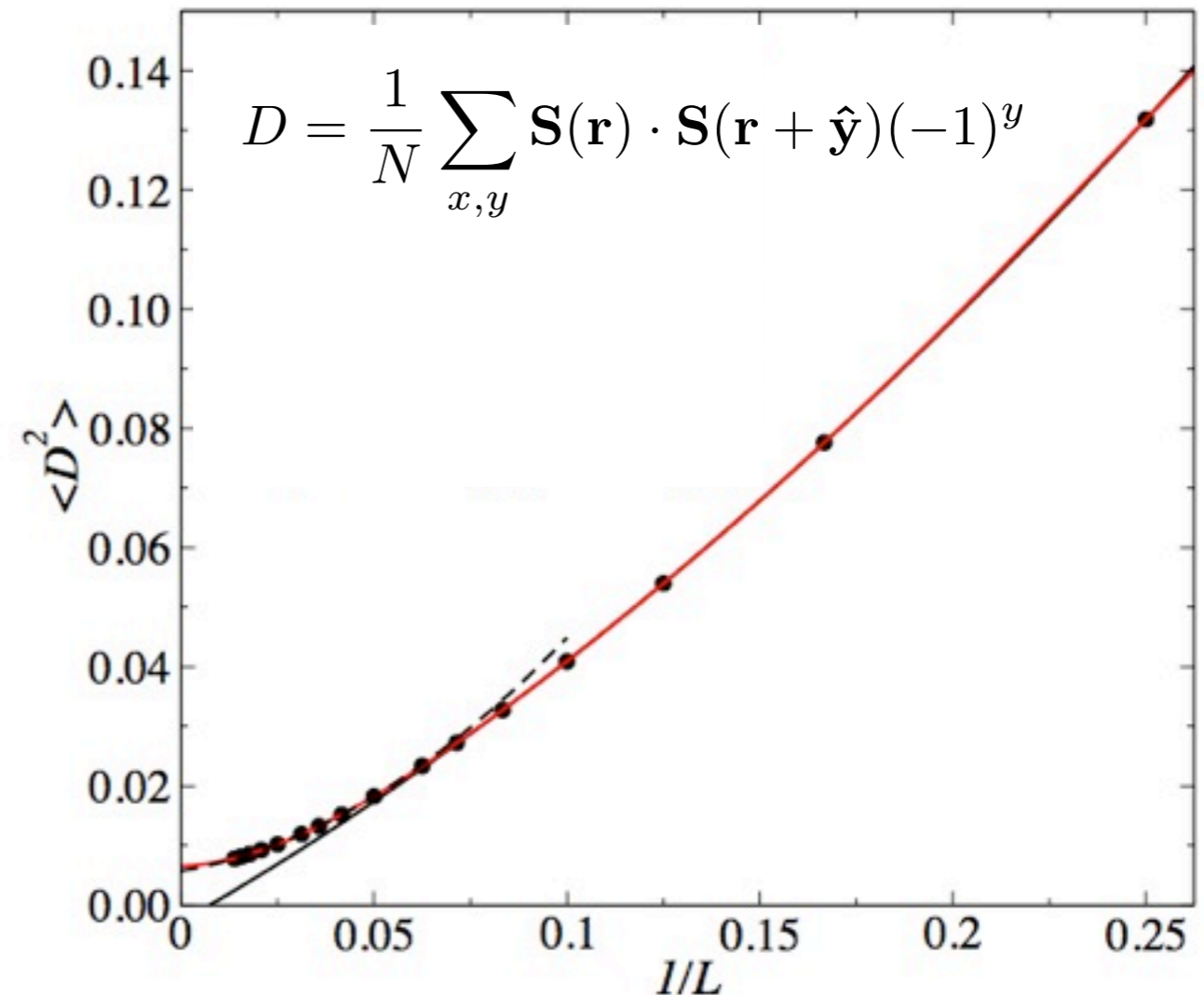
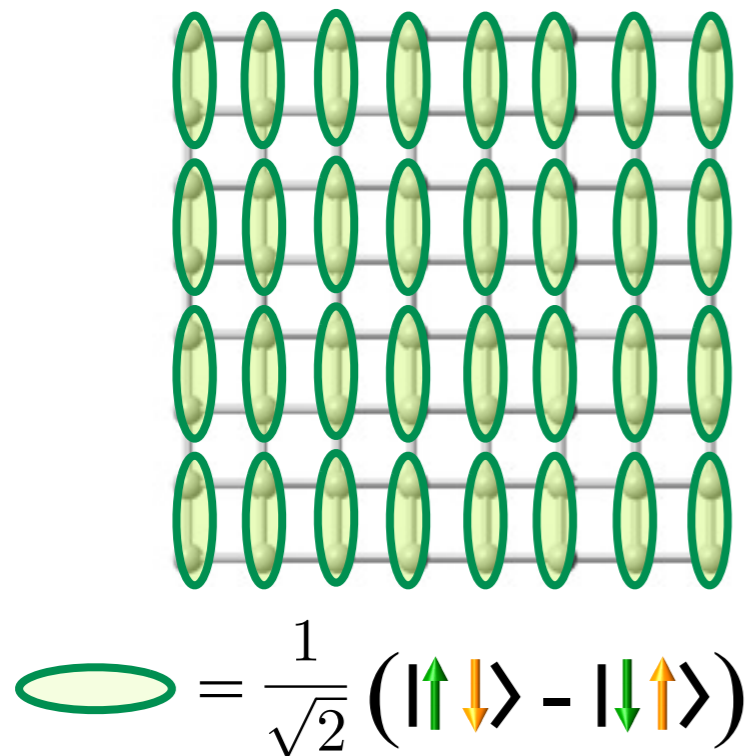
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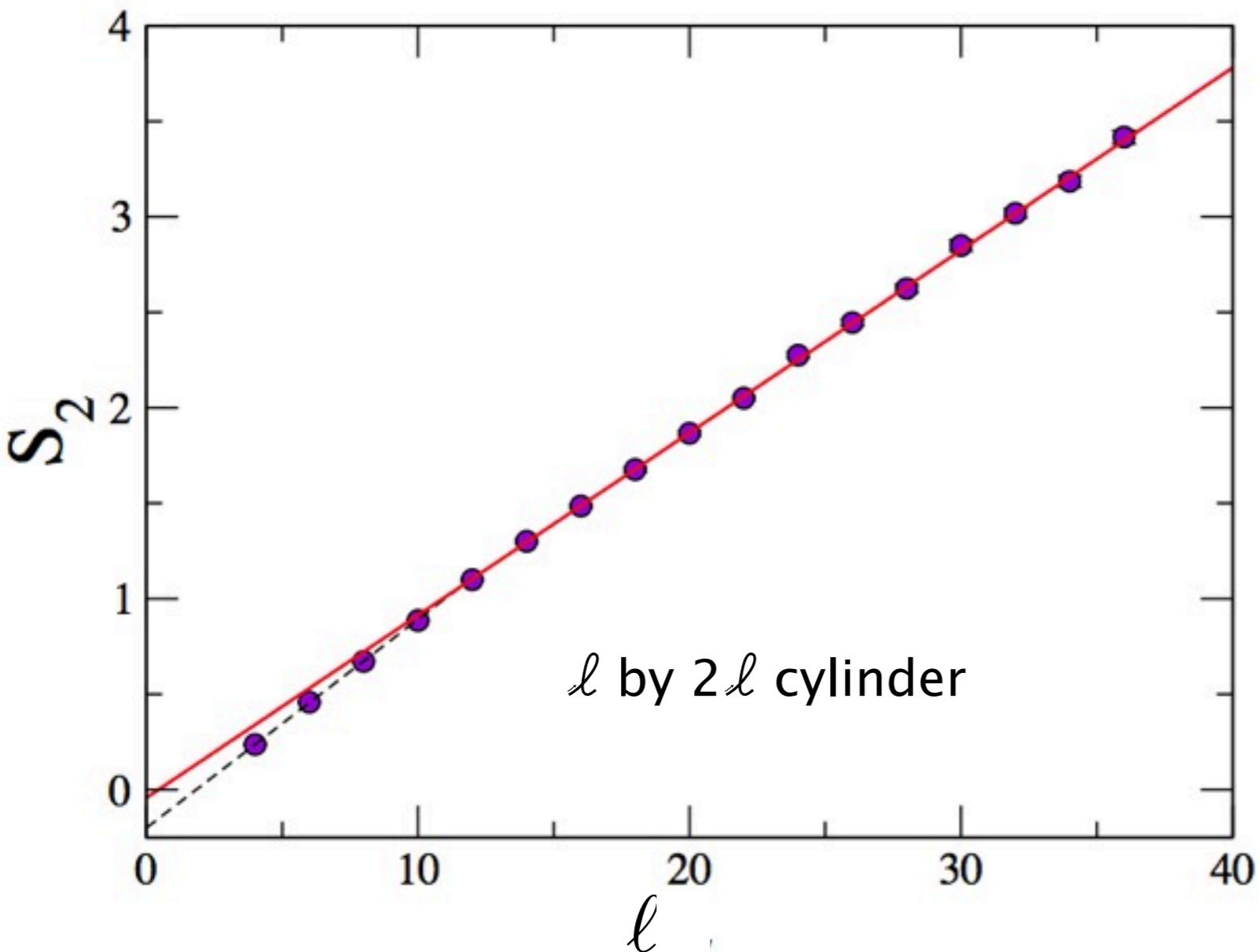
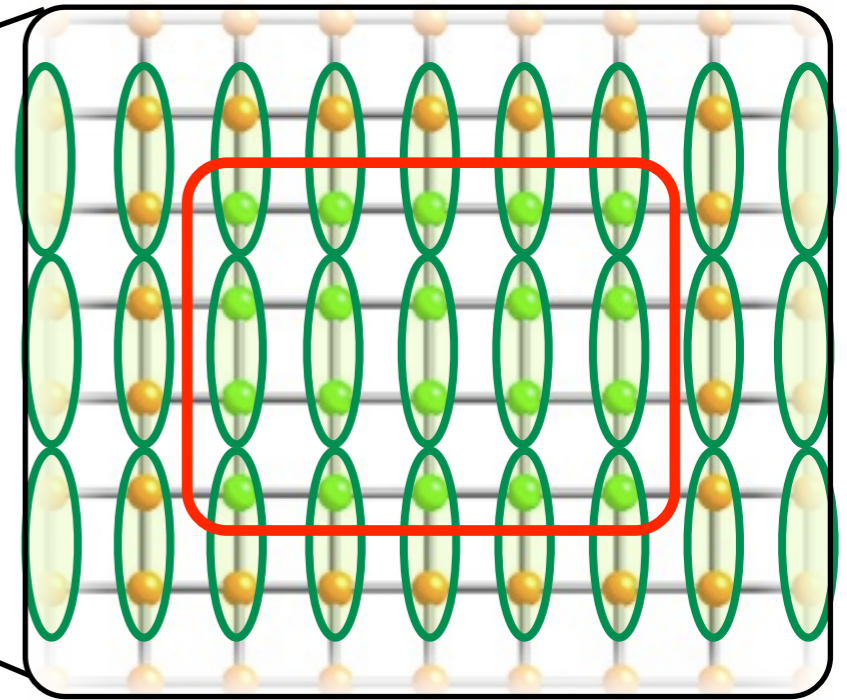
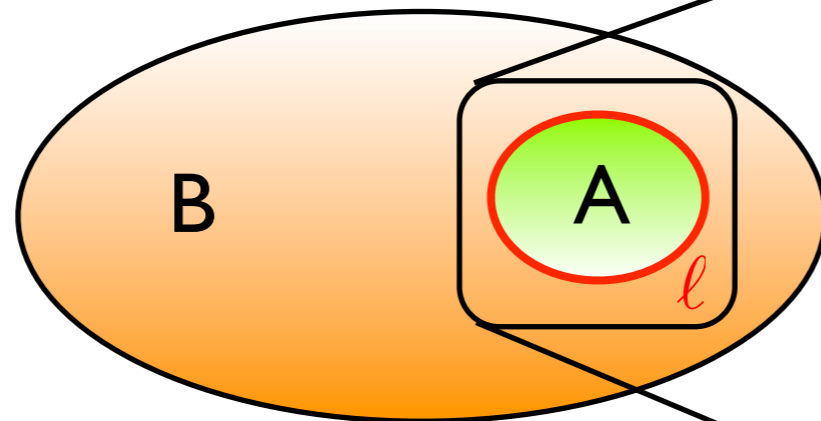
Sandvik, PRB 85 134407 (2012)

- Order parameter in a columnar VBS phase:



- large finite-size helps to distinguish a weak order parameter (VBS) from no order parameter (QSL)

# VALENCE BOND-SOLID



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need  $l > 12$  data to see proper scaling

$$S_2 = al$$

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The Topological Entanglement Entropy is **independent** of Renyi index

$$S_n(\rho_A) = \frac{1}{1-n} \ln [\text{Tr}(\rho_A^n)]$$

Hamma, Ionicioiu, Zanardi - Phys. Lett. A 337, 22 (2005)

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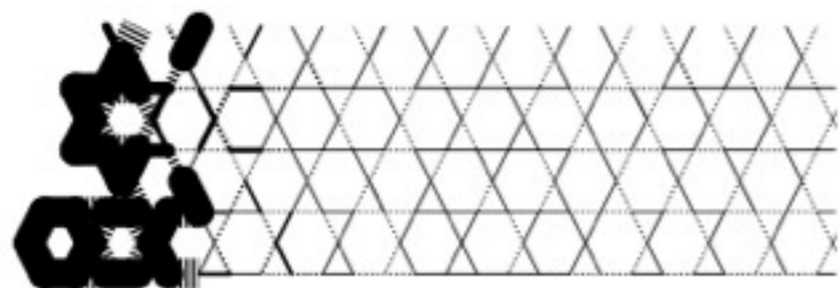
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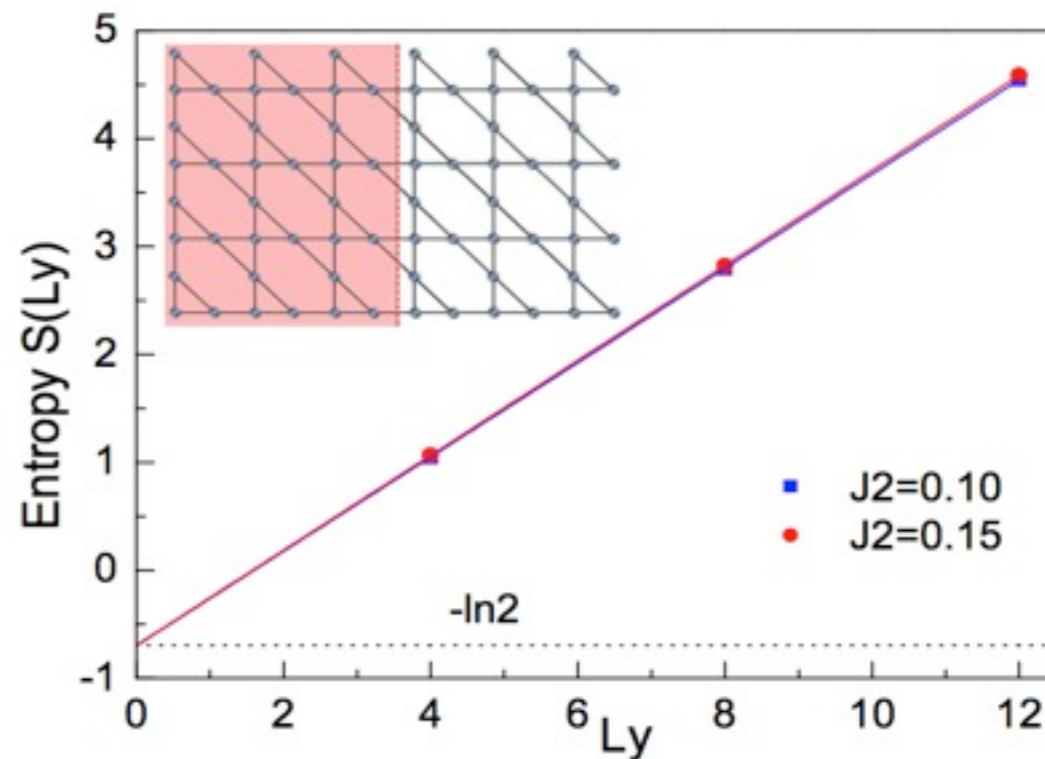
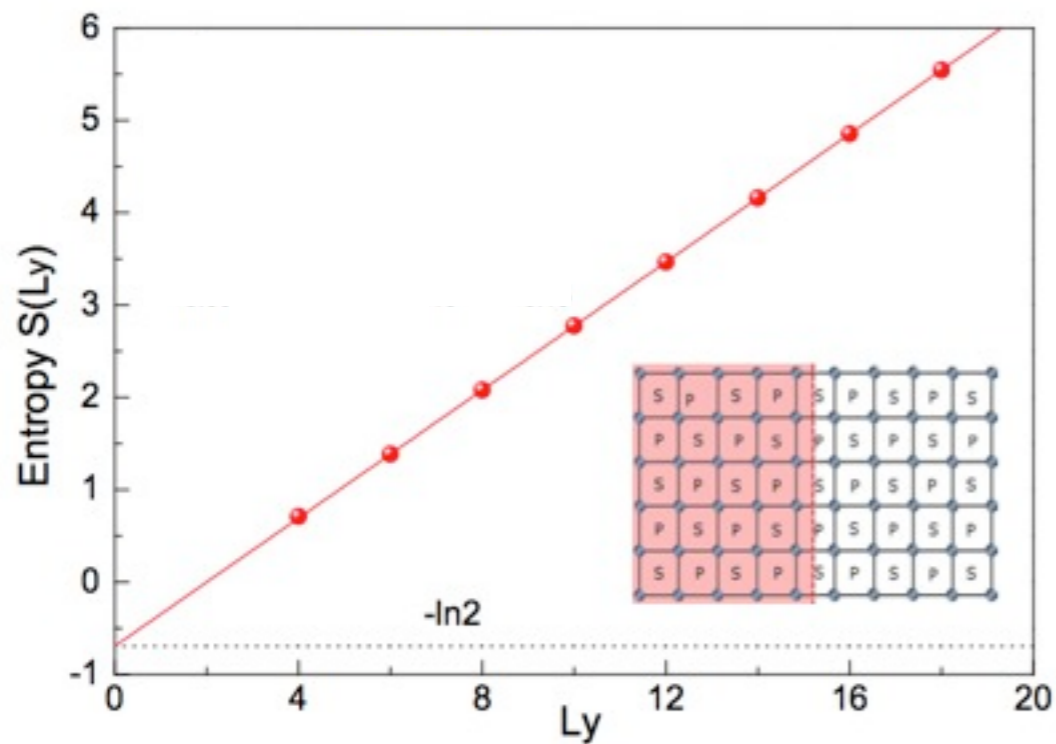
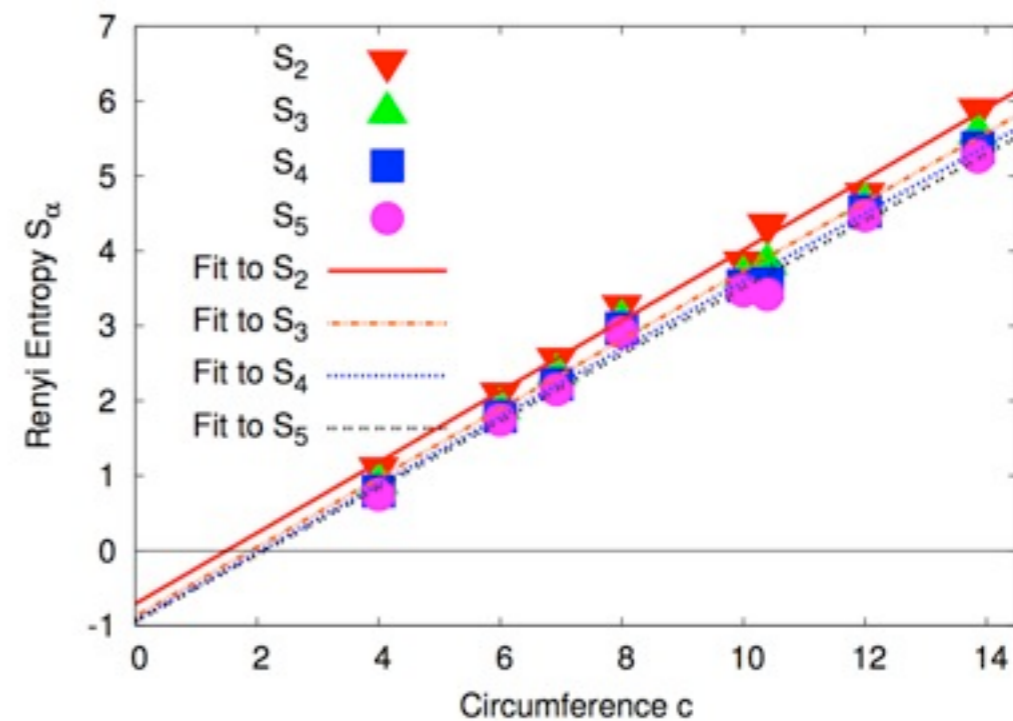


# RECENT T=0 APPROACHES: DMRG

Depenbrock, McCulloch, Schollwoeck, PRL 109, 067201



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



Jiang, Wang, Balents, 1205:4289

# MURPHY'S LAW

In a simple model without the sign problem nothing interesting can occur



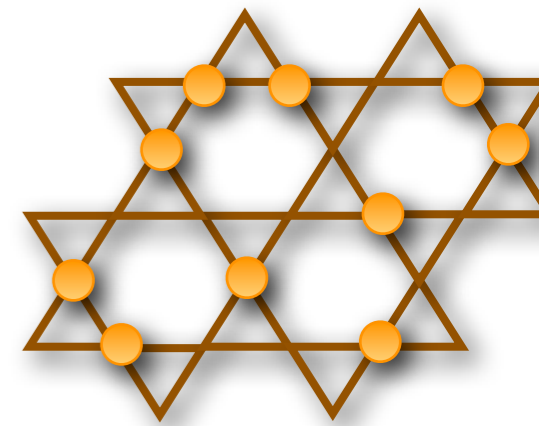
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$$H = H_0 + H_{\text{ring}}$$

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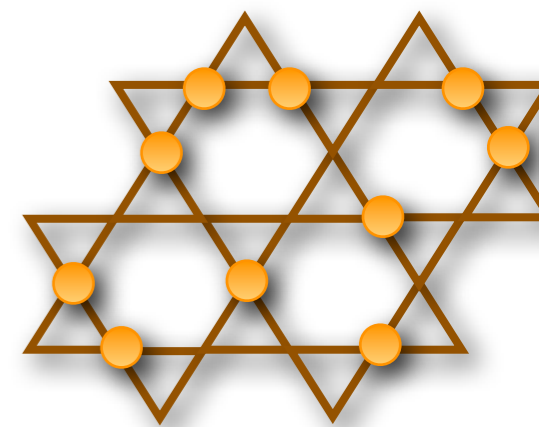
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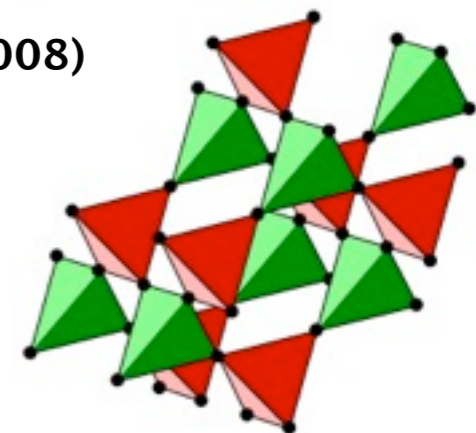
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**Pyrochlore U(1) spin liquid:** Banerjee, Isakov, Damle, Kim, PRL 100, 047298 (2008)

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j + b_i b_j^\dagger) + V \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} n_i n_j$$





# BFG MODELS

Large-scale QMC has demonstrated several BFG models with spin liquids on the kagome lattice

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle\langle\langle ij \rangle\rangle\rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j + b_i b_j^\dagger) + V \sum_{\circlearrowleft} (n_{\circlearrowleft})^2$$

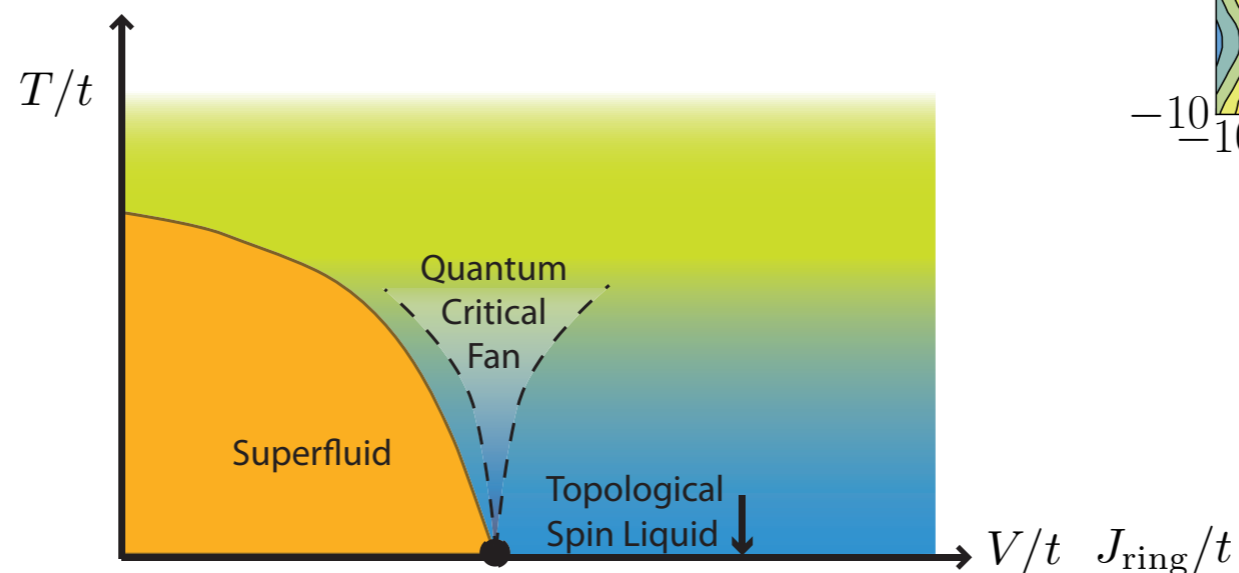
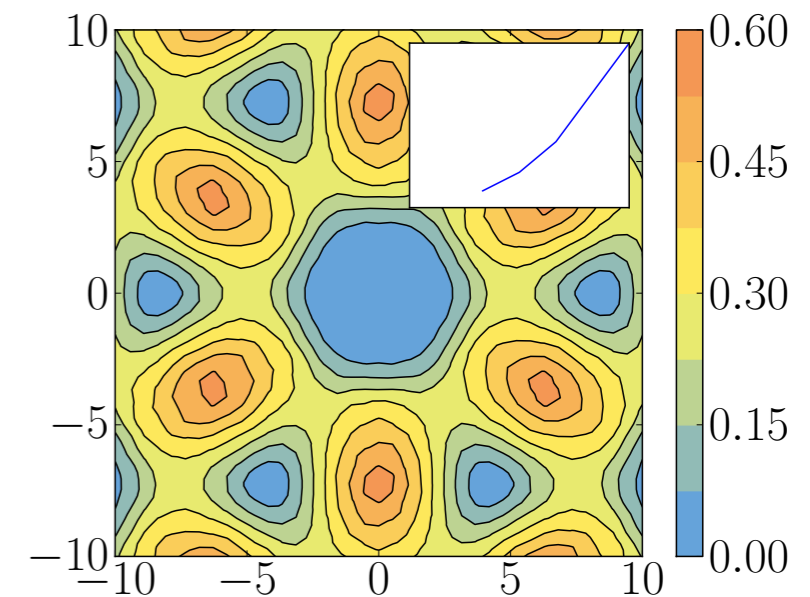
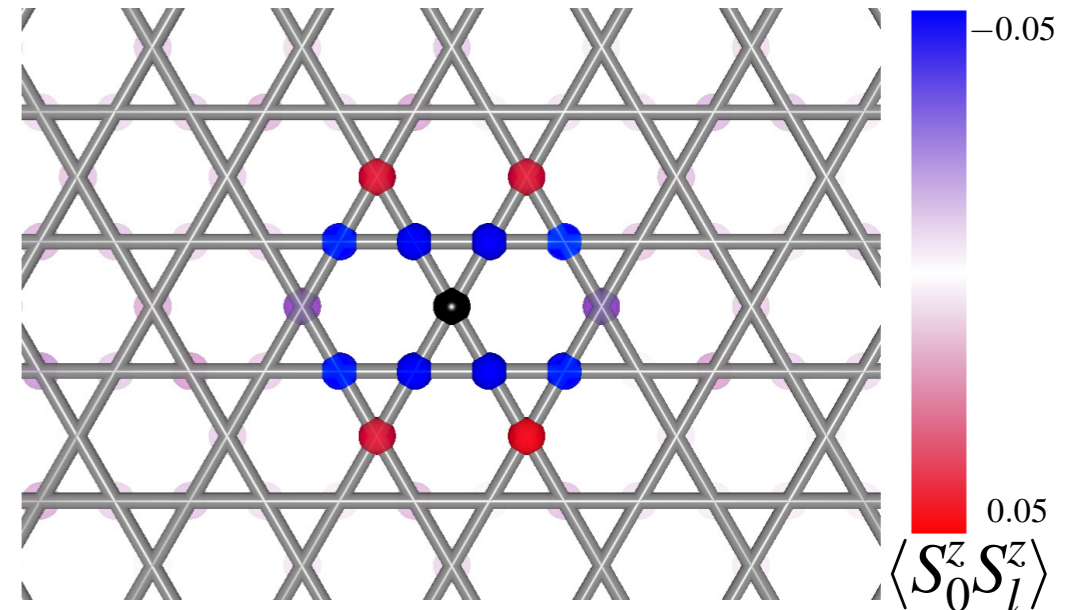
Isakov, Kim, Paramakanti Phys. Rev. Lett. 97, 207204 (2006)

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j + b_i b_j^\dagger) + V \sum_{\circlearrowleft} (n_{\circlearrowleft})^2$$

Isakov, Hastings, RGM Nature Physics 7, 772 (2011)

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j + b_i b_j^\dagger) - J_{\text{ring}} \sum_{\langle ijkl \rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j b_k^\dagger b_l + b_i b_j^\dagger b_k b_l^\dagger)$$

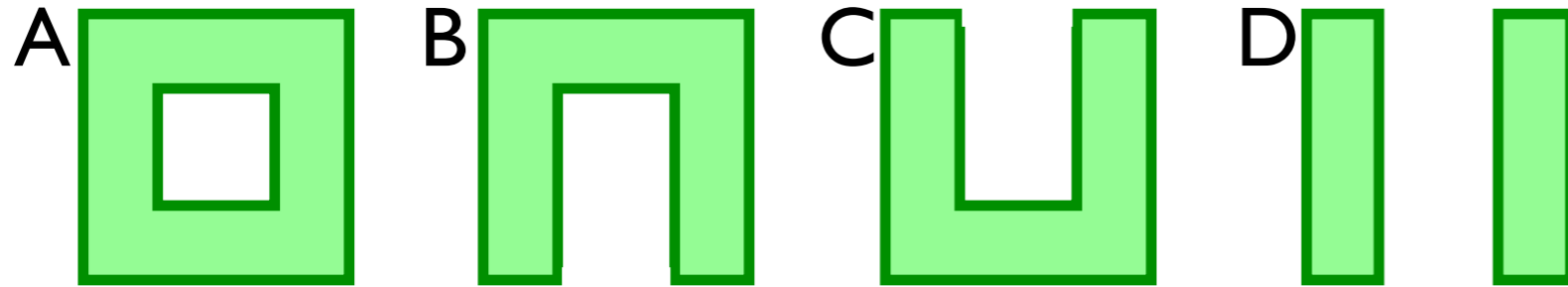
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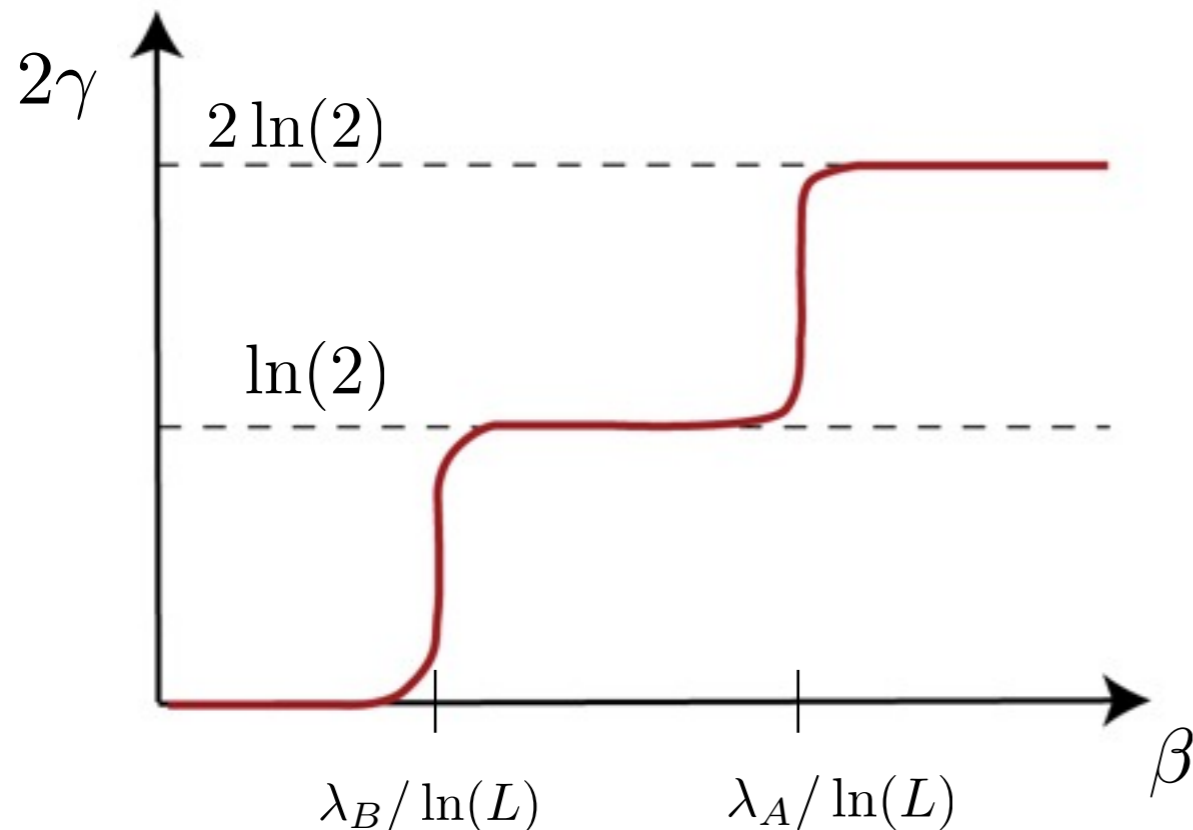
# TOPOLOGICAL ENTANGLEMENT ENTROPY

Levin and Wen, - Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 110405 (2006)

- Boundary, corner, and bulk terms can be subtracted



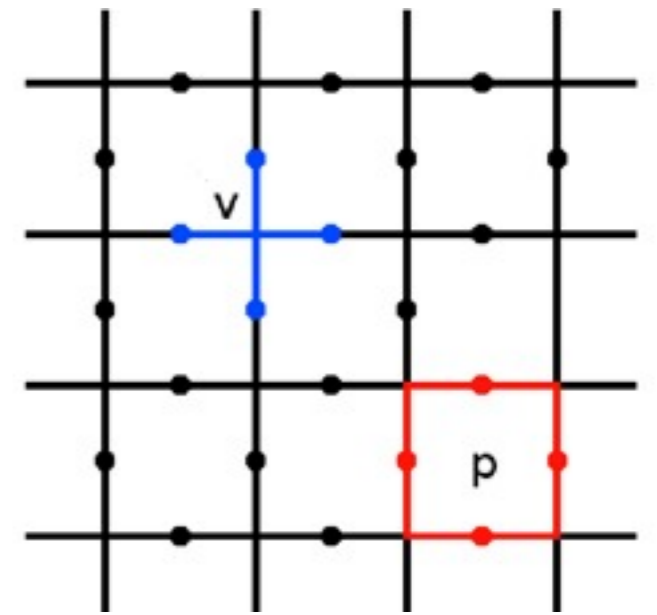
$$2\gamma = -S_n^A + S_n^B + S_n^C - S_n^D$$



Crossover temperatures are a result of defects in the “loop gas”

Z2 charge (spinon, e)   $\propto N e^{-\beta \lambda_A}$

Z2 vortex (vison, m)   $\propto N e^{-\beta \lambda_B}$



$$H = -\lambda_B \sum_p B_p - \lambda_A \sum_v A_v$$

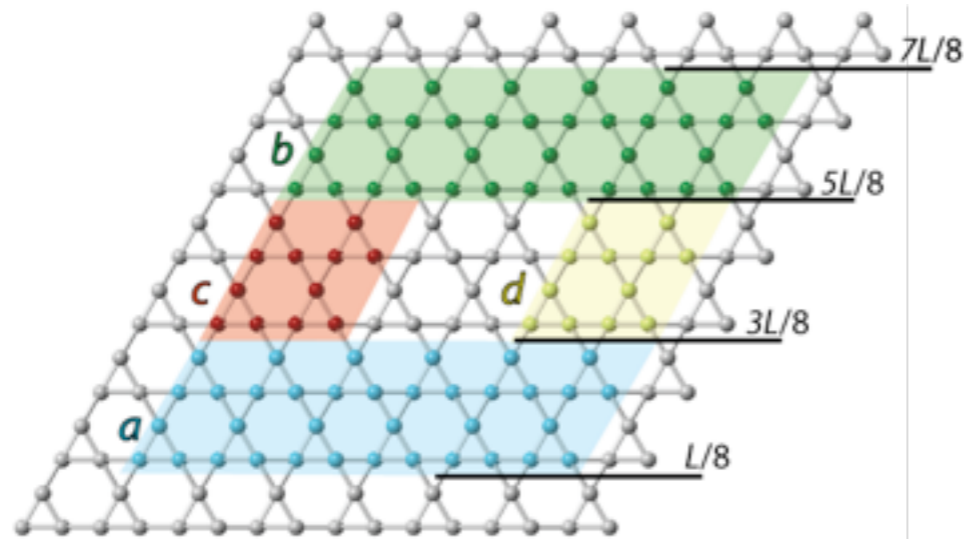
$$B_p = \prod_{i \in p} \sigma_i^z \quad A_v = \prod_{j \in v} \sigma_j^x$$

Claudio Castelnovo and Claudio Chamon, PRB 76, 184442 2007

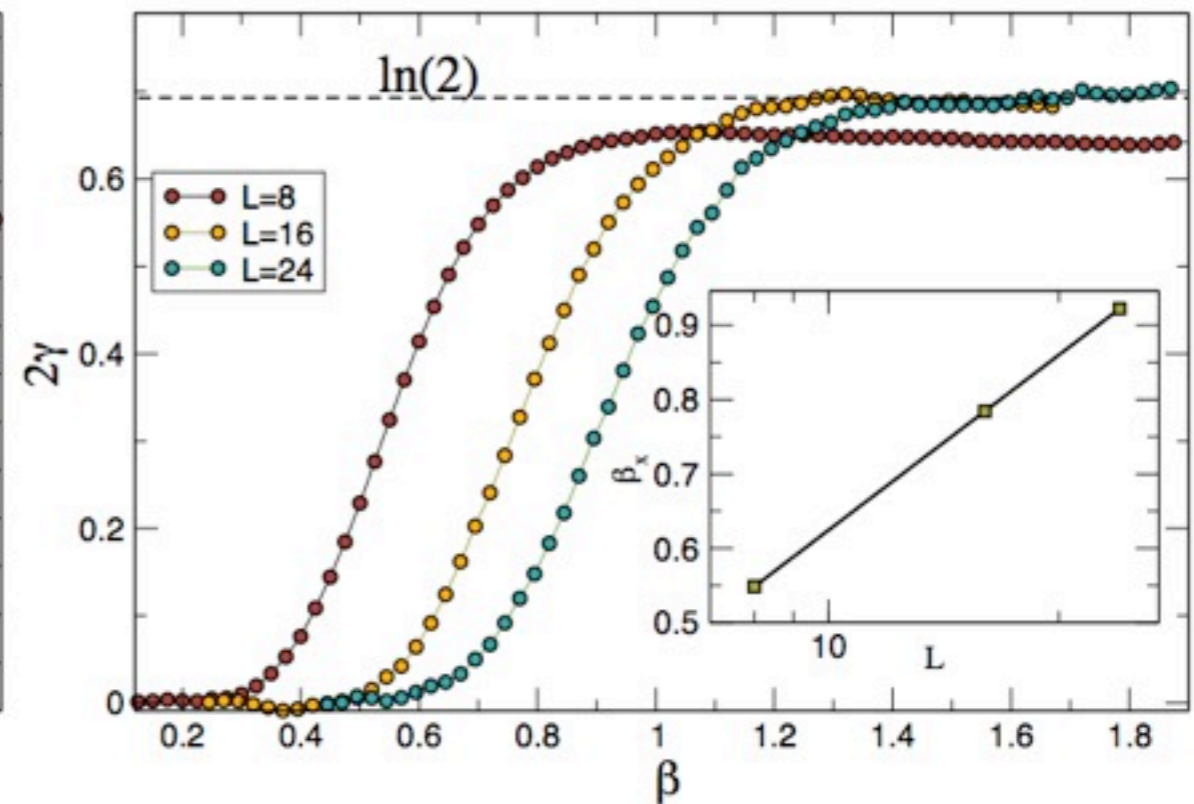
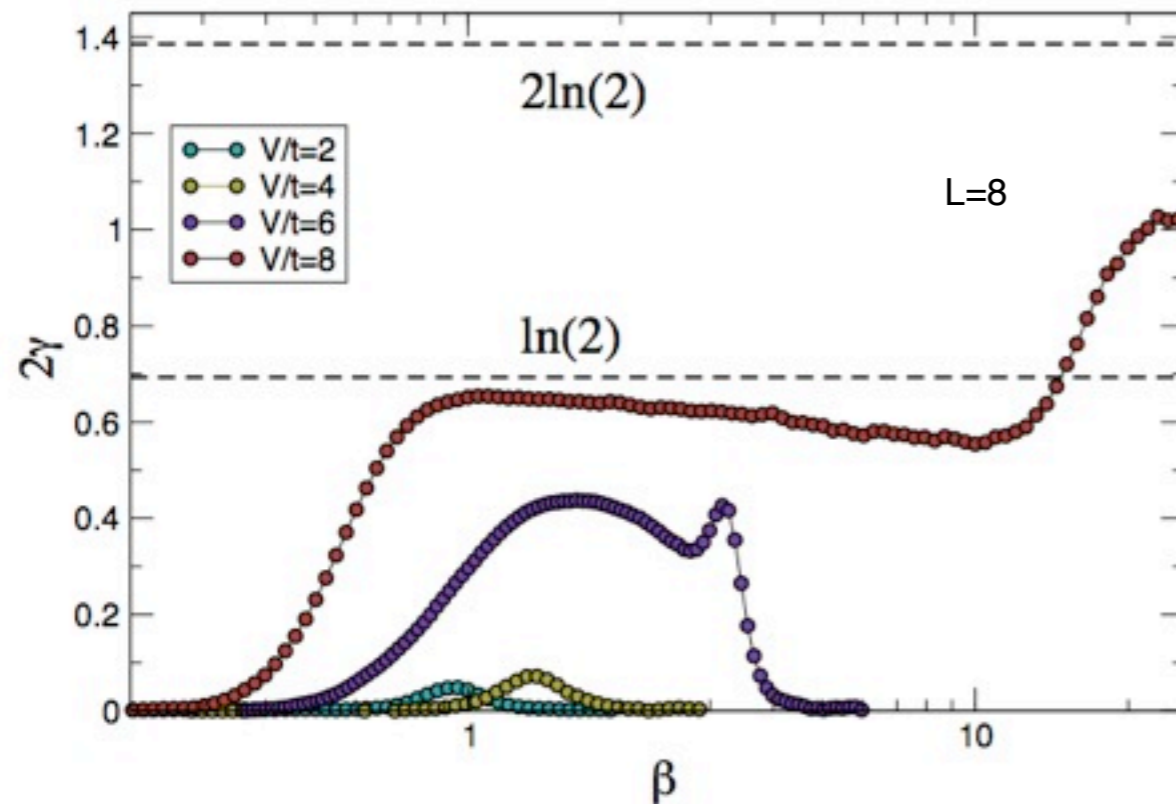
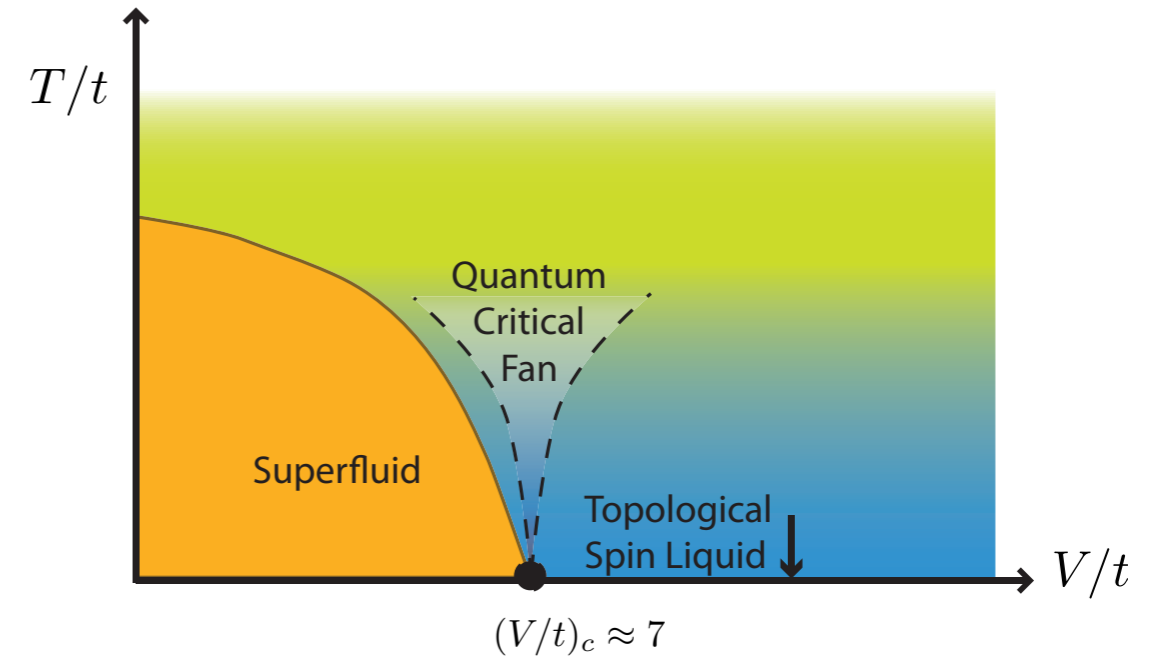


# TOPOLOGICAL EE

Isakov, Hastings, RGM Nature Physics 7, 772 (2011)

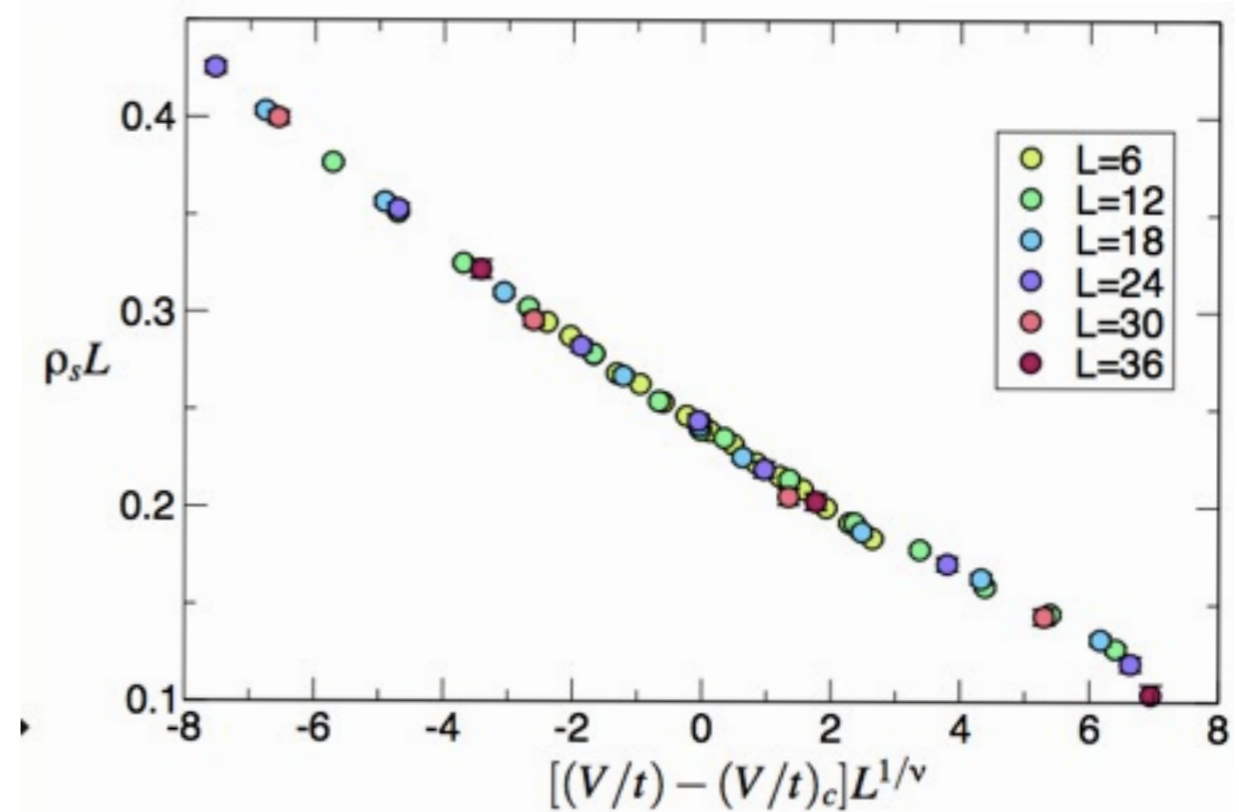
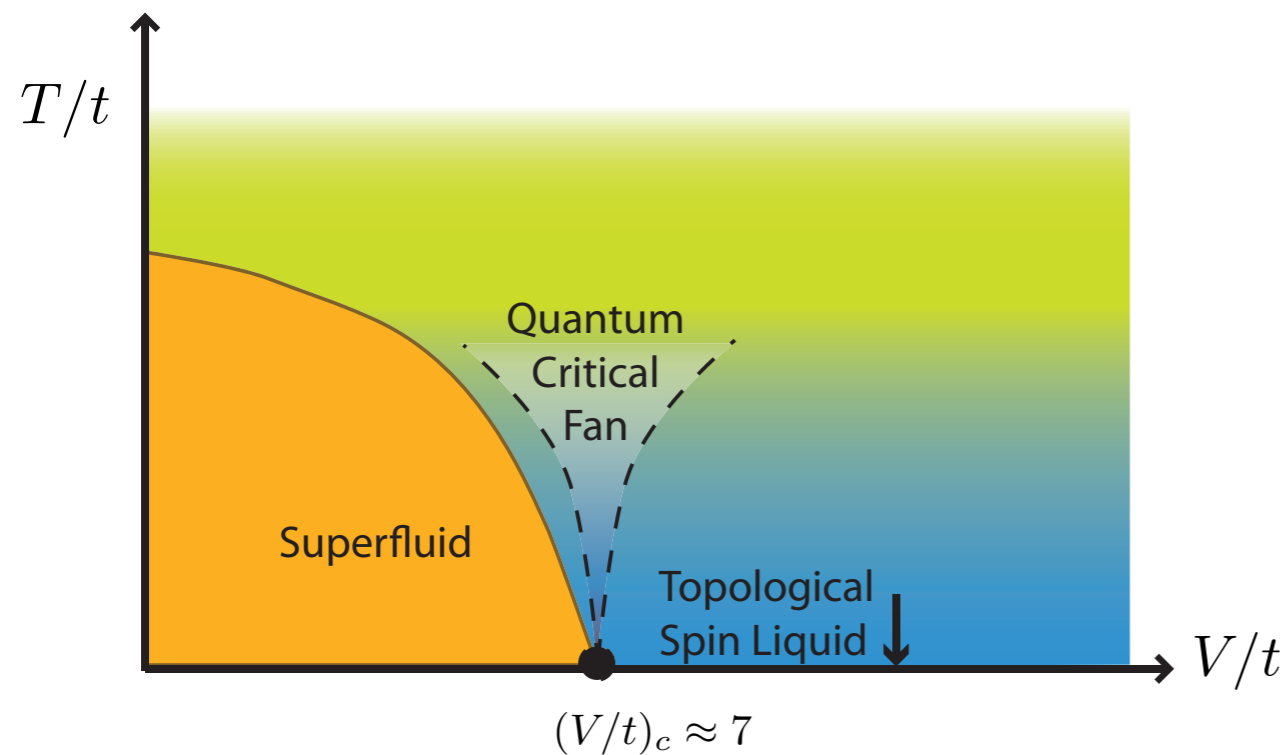


$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j + b_i b_j^\dagger) + V \sum_{\circlearrowleft} (n_{\circlearrowleft})^2$$



Two crossover temperature are evidence of two excitations out of the “loop gas” groundstate, in analogy with the Toric Code

# SUPERFLUID/SPIN LIQUID



- QCP appears to be in the XY universality class at first glance...

$$\nu = 0.6717 \quad z = 1$$

- But the prediction is that the **fractional charges** (spinons) undergo the XY transition, **not** the physical bosons

A diagram illustrating the relationship between bosons and spinons. On the left is a single orange sphere representing a boson. In the center is the equation  $b = \phi^2$ . On the right are two red spheres representing spinons, each with a white crescent on its side.

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T. Grover, T. Senthil, Phys. Rev. B **81**, 205102 (2010)

# XY\* TRANSITION

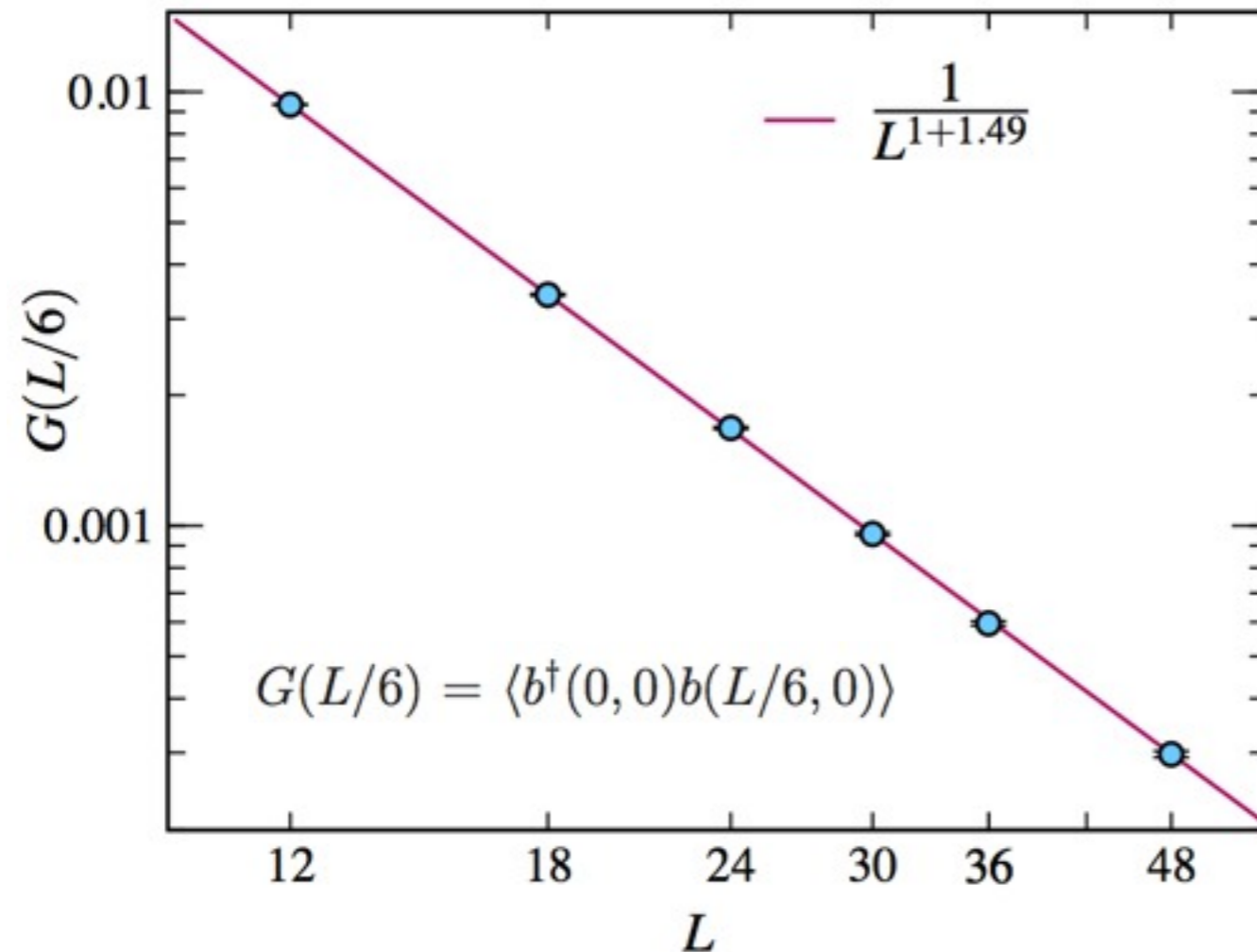
Critical structure factors of bilinear fields in O(N) vector models

P. Calabrese, A. Pelissetto, and E. Vicari, Phys. Rev. E 65, 046115 (2002).

M. Campostrini, M. Hasenbusch, A. Pelissetto, P. Rossi, and E. Vicari, Phys. Rev. B 63, 214503 (2001).

The most accurate field theory value:  $\eta = 1.472(2)$

Isakov, RGM, Hastings Science 335, 193 (2012)



QMC:  $\eta = 1.493(5)$

Compare to the 3D XY transition:

$$\eta = 0.03$$

- XY\* confirms the presence of fractionalization
- Very clear cut finite-size scaling



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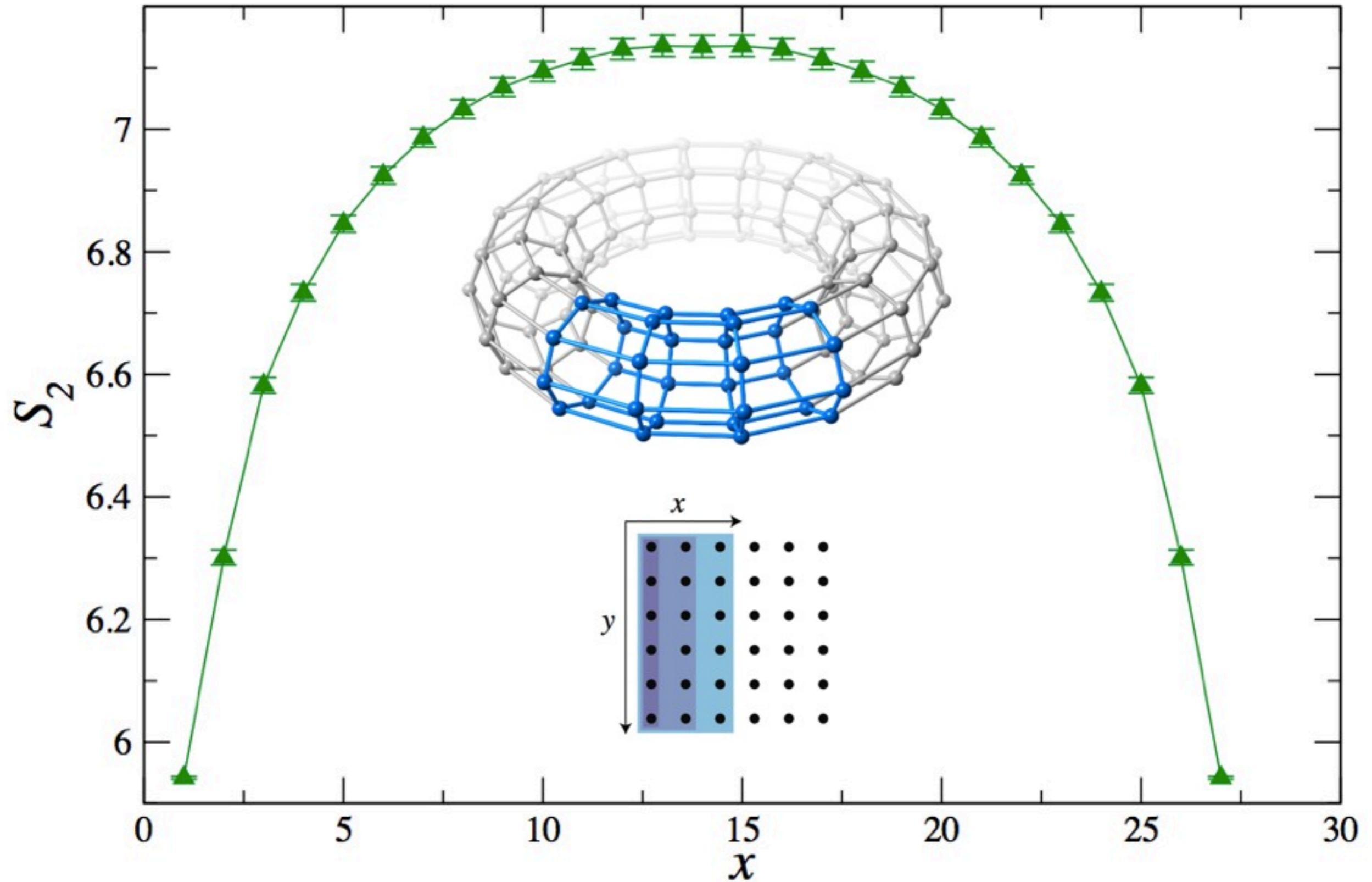
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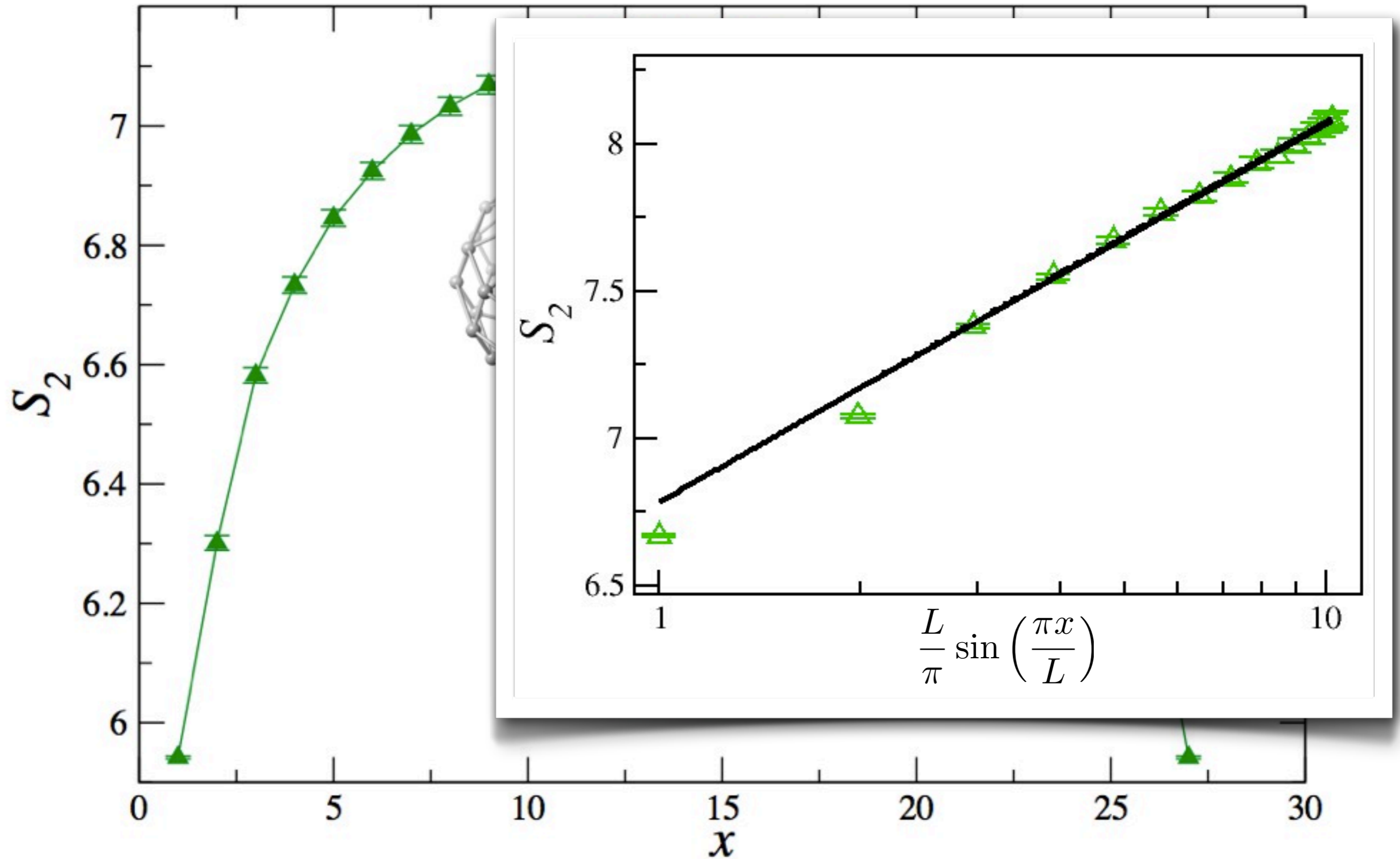
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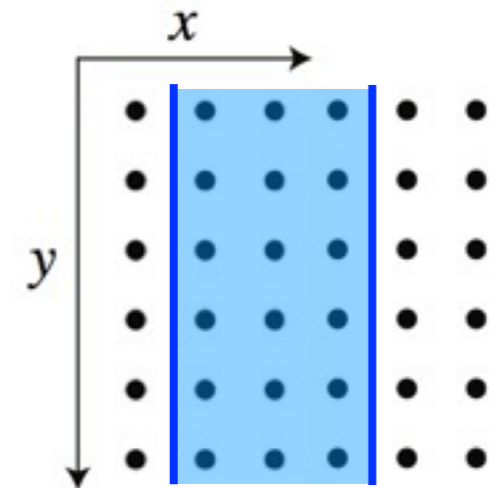
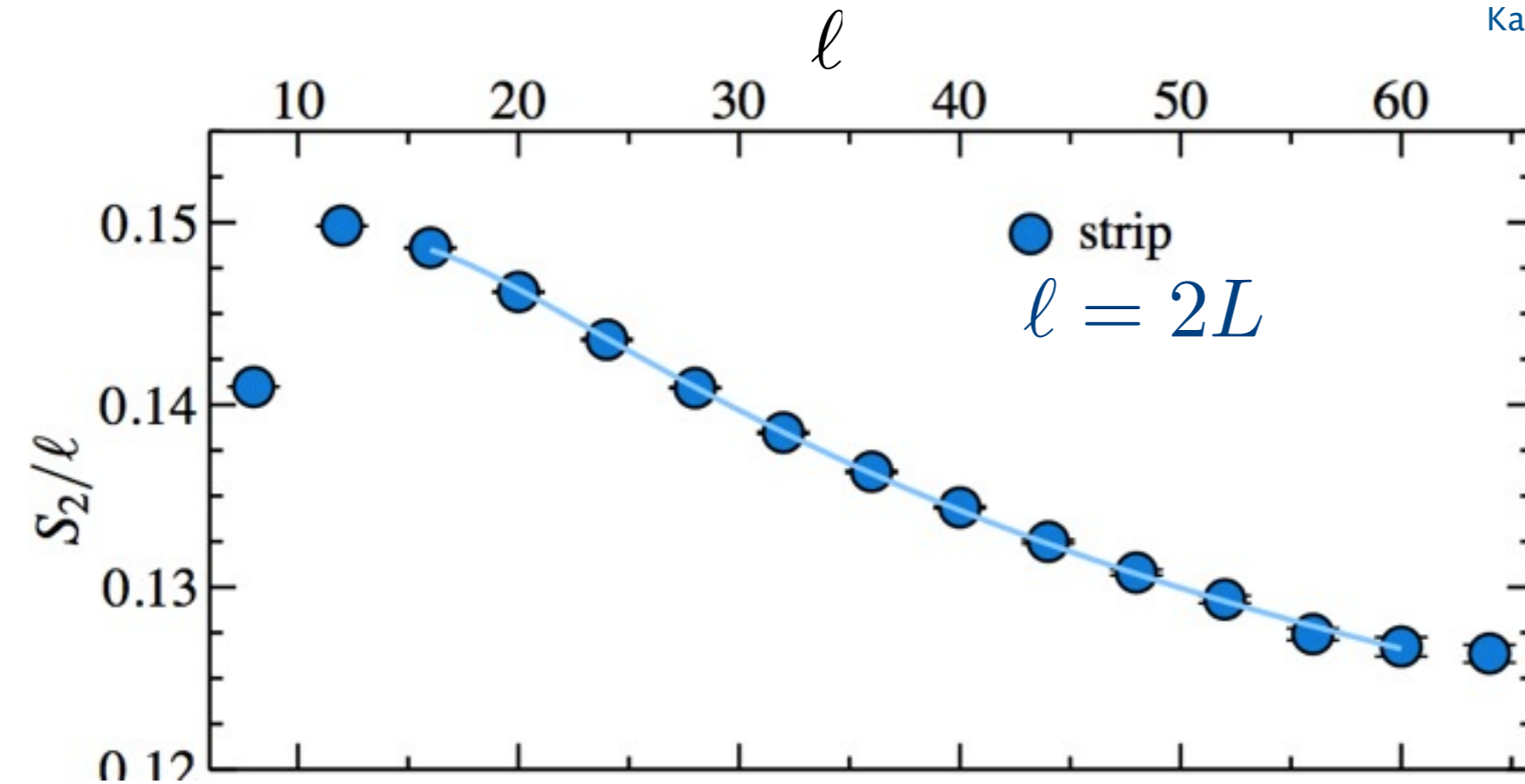




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$$a = 0.096$$

$$c = 0.74$$

$$d = -1.2$$

$$S_2 = a\ell + c \ln(\ell) + d$$

Theory prediction  
(Metlitski, Grover arXiv:1112.5166)

$$c = \frac{N_g(d-1)}{2} = 1$$

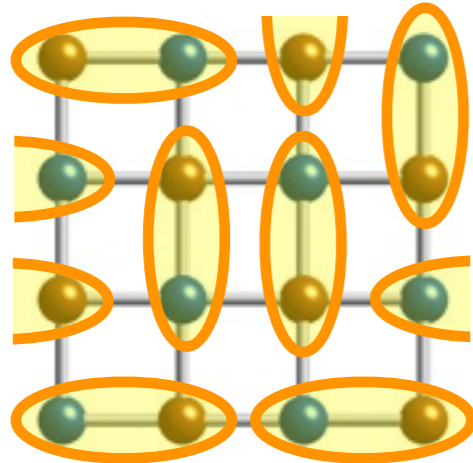
Song, Laflorencie, Rachel, Le Hur Phys. Rev. B 83, 224410 (2011)

# RVB WAVEFUNCTION

P. W. Anderson, Mat. Res. Bull, 8:153, 1973

Albuquerque, Alet PRB 82, 180408

Tang, Sandvik, Henley arXiv:1010.6146

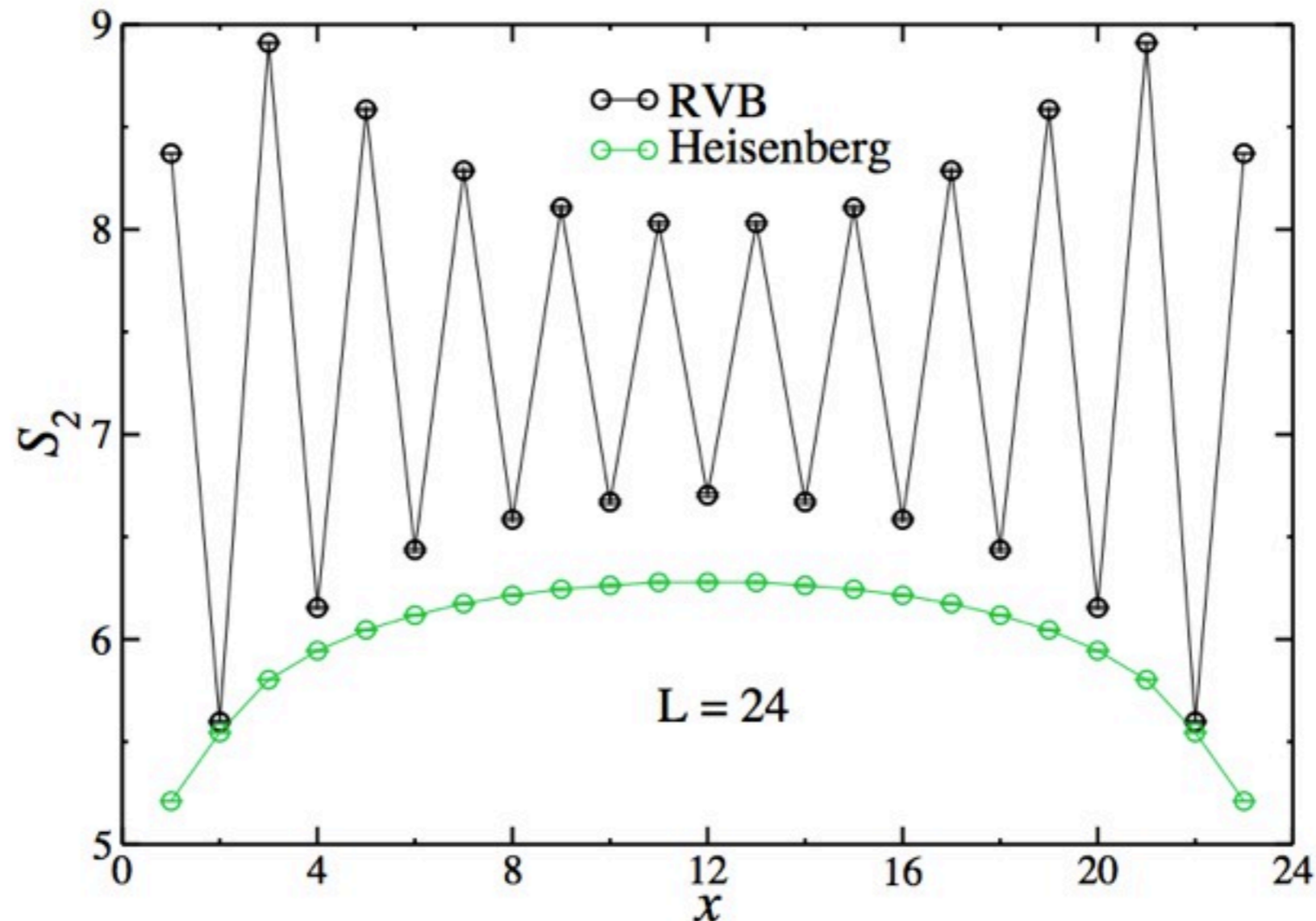
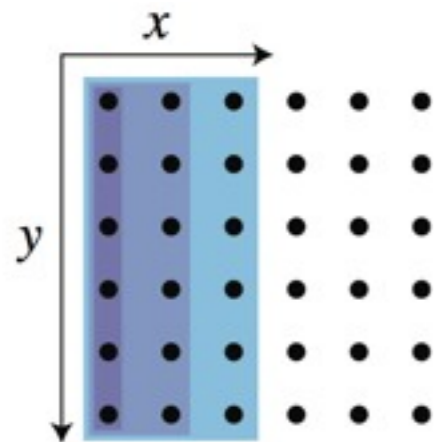


“prototype of the modern QSL”

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_c |V_c\rangle$$

$$|V_c\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{\mathcal{N}/4}} \prod_{i=1}^{\mathcal{N}/2} (|\uparrow_i \downarrow_{j_i}\rangle - |\downarrow_i \uparrow_{j_i}\rangle)$$

Hyejin Ju, Kallin, Fendley, Hastings, RGM PRB 85, 165121 (2012)

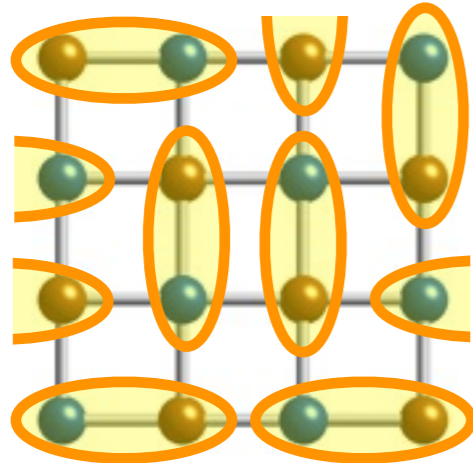


SU(N)

versions possible –  
H. Ju

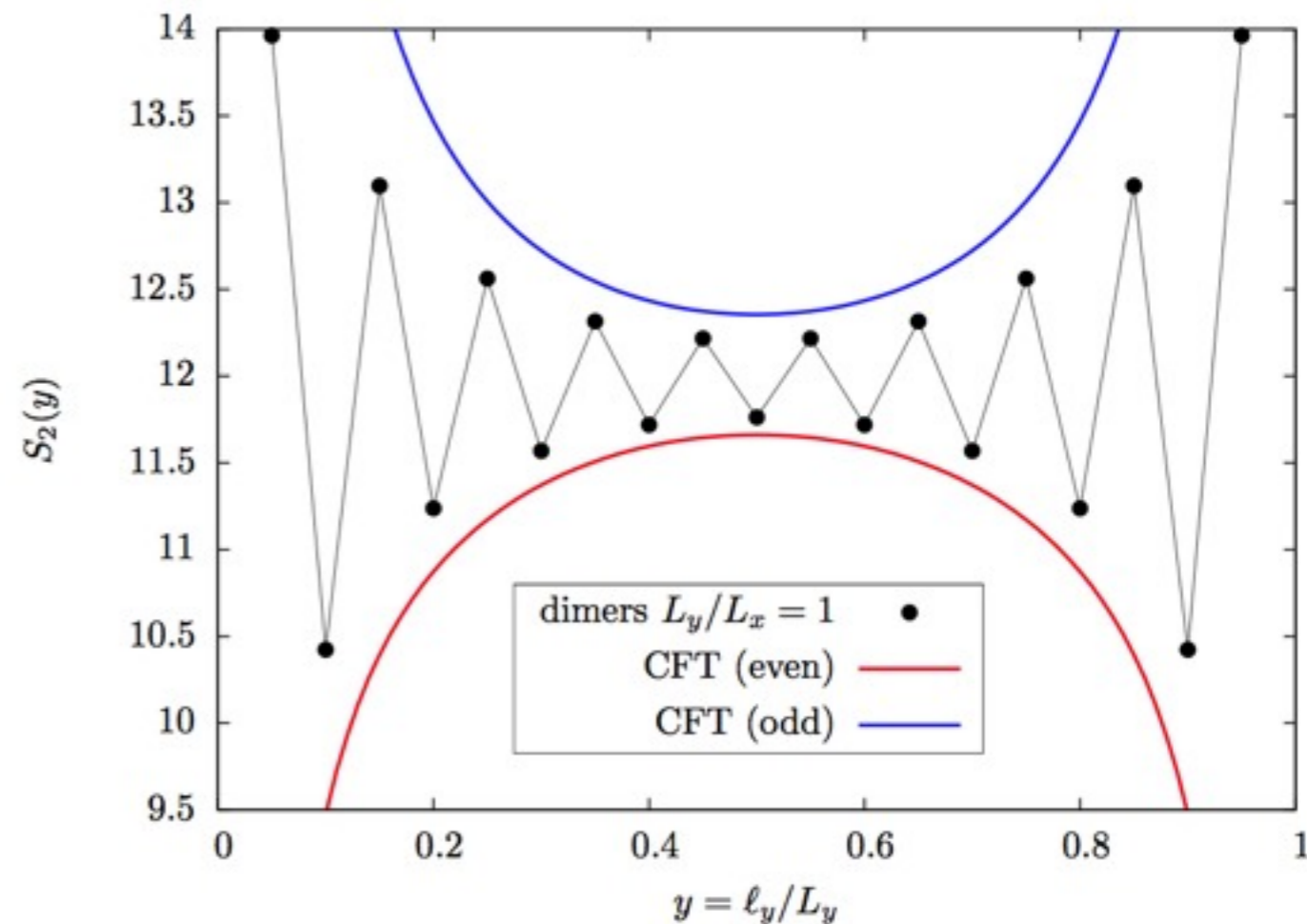
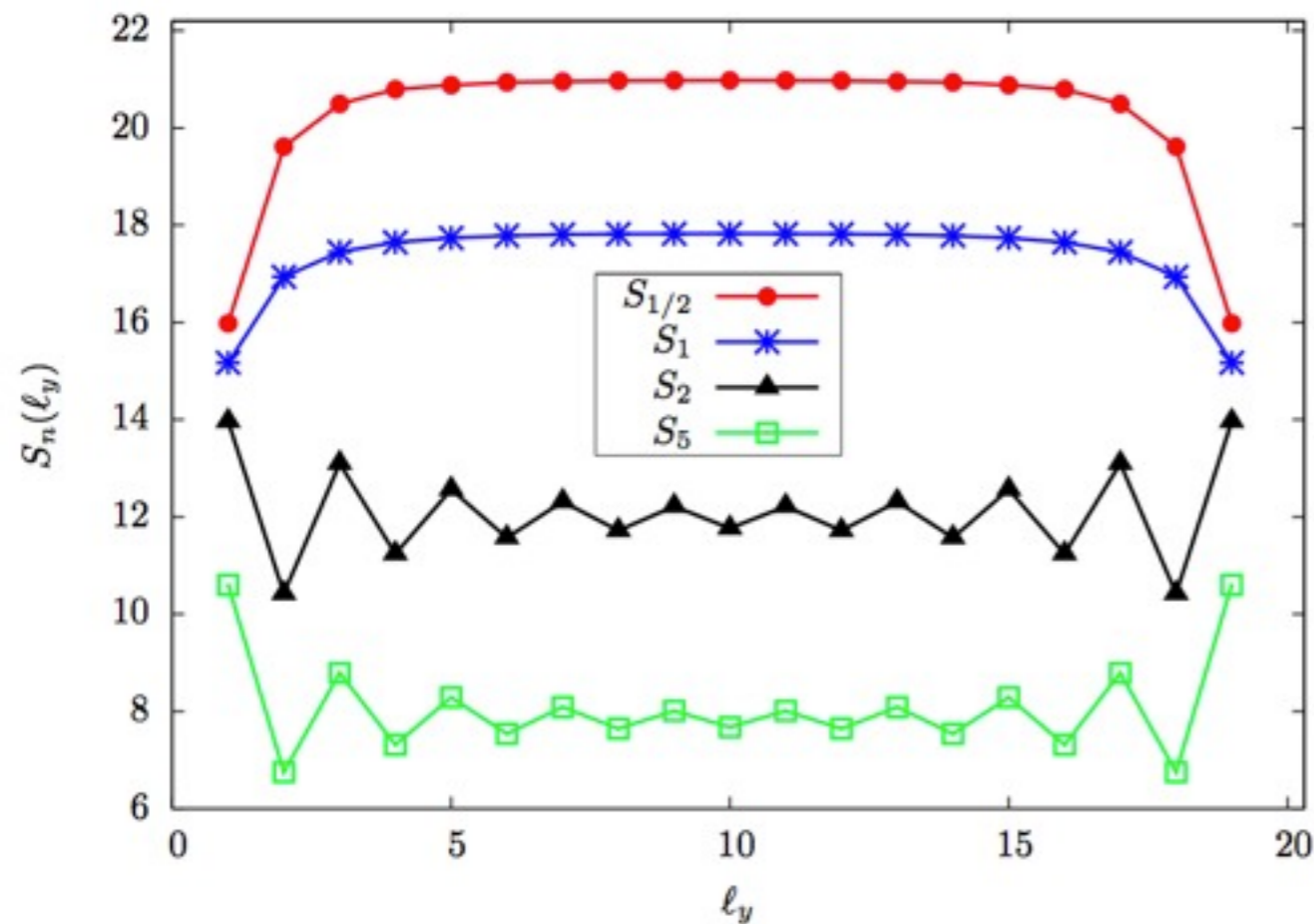
# DIMER WAVEFUNCTION

Stephan, Ju, Fendley, RGM arXiv:1207.3820



$$|\Psi_D\rangle = \sum_c |D_c\rangle$$

$$\langle D_c | D_{c'} \rangle = \delta_{c,c'}$$



- A critical Renyi index exists for the even/odd branching effect

- It persists to the infinite-size limit

$$s_n^{(\text{even})}(y, \tau) = \frac{n}{1-n} \ln \left( \frac{\eta(\tau)^2}{\theta_3(2\tau)\theta_3(\tau/2)} \times \frac{\theta_3(2y\tau)\theta_3(2(1-y)\tau)}{\eta(2y\tau)\eta(2(1-y)\tau)} \right)$$



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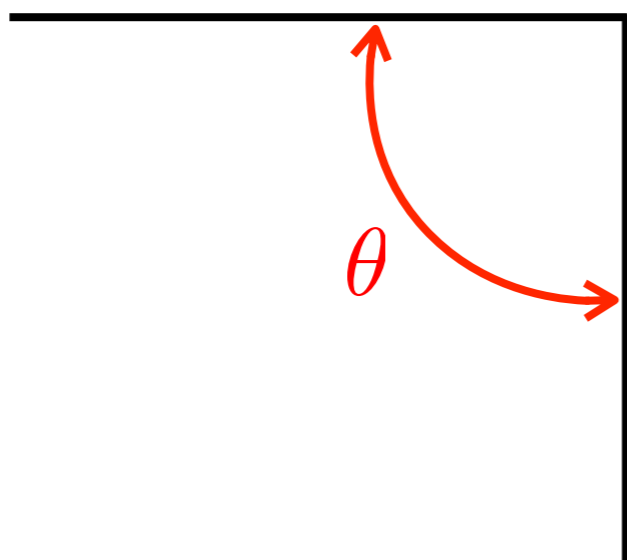
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# 2D QUANTUM CRITICAL POINTS

In the case of a single non-interacting corner, the shape-dependence contains a simple additive **logarithm**



$$S_n = a\ell + c_n(\theta) \ln(\ell) + \dots$$

“universal”

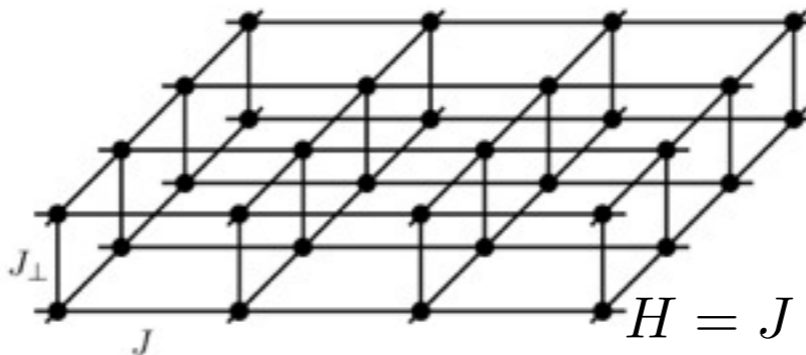
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D. V. Fursaev, Phys. Rev. D 73, 124025 (2006).

S. Ryu and T. Takayanagi, Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 181602 (2006).

Can compare these universal coefficients between models and field theory:

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - h \sum_i \sigma_i^x$$



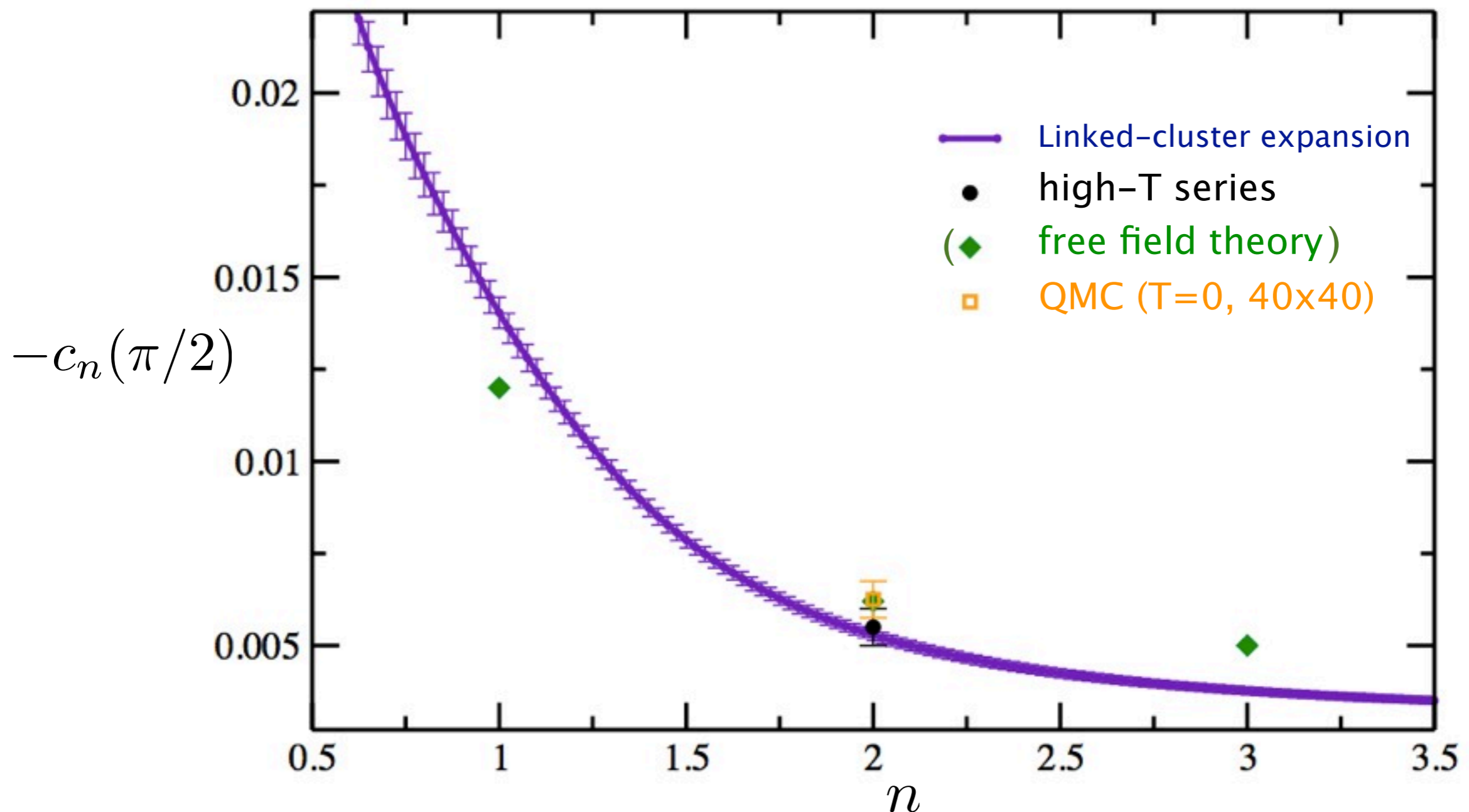
$$H = J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \mathbf{S}_{1i} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{1j} + J_\perp \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \mathbf{S}_{1i} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{2j} +$$

# 2D QUANTUM CRITICAL POINTS

Kallin, Hyatt, Singh, RGM (unpublished)

two-dimensional TFIM at  $h/J = 3.044$

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - h \sum_i \sigma_i^x$$



## DISCUSSION:

- Murphy's law? Many counterexamples
- Renyi entropies can be measured by QMC
- Scaling of entanglement entropy is a practical QMC tool to detect topological order in gapped spin liquids
- Finite-T behavior gives us insight into the nature of excitations



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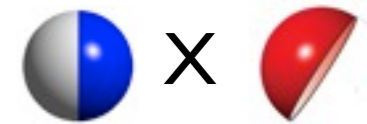


- Replica trick works in classical Monte Carlo: can measure “entanglement” (information) in loop models



## To Do:

- Study BFG models in DMRG: benchmark finite-size scaling and boundary effects
- Develop entanglement entropy indicators for gapless spin liquids?
- Exotic quantum critical points driven by vison (or fermion?)



- Use universal scaling terms in entanglement entropy to categorize conventional universality classes
- Use universal scaling terms to detect fractionalization at deconfined quantum critical points

– Swingle and Senthil, arXiv:1109.3185

$$C_{XY*} = C_{XY} + \ln(2)$$