

# Novel $Sp(2N)/SU(2N)$ quantum magnetism and Mott physics – large spins are different

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## The simplest interacting model of lattice fermions

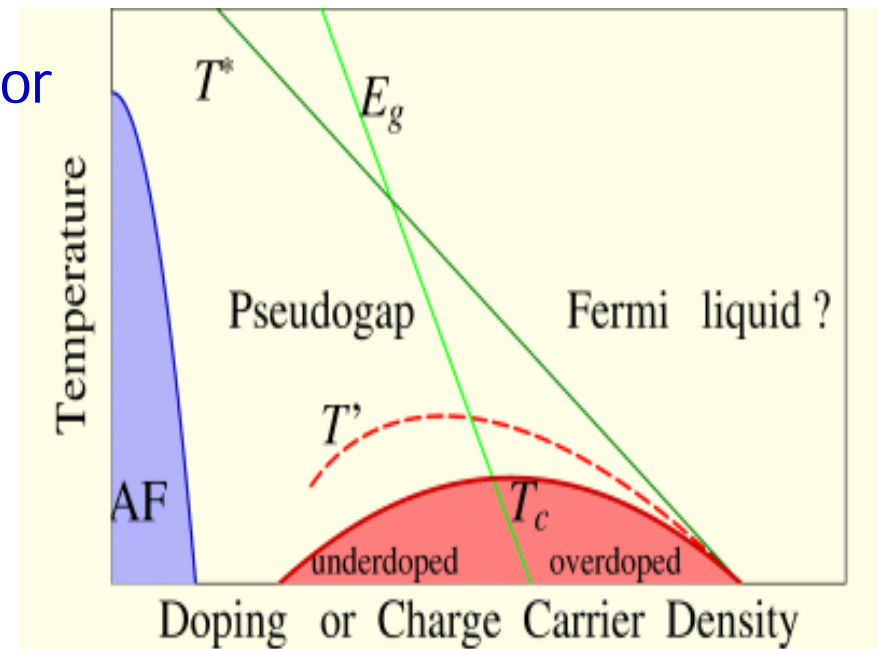
$$H = - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} t \{ c_{i,\sigma}^+ c_{j,\sigma} + h.c. \} - \mu \sum_{i,\sigma} c_{i,\sigma}^+ c_{i,\sigma} + U \sum_i n_{i,\uparrow} n_{i,\downarrow}$$

- Hubbard 1963: itinerant ferromagnetism (FM), not successful.

- But useful for metal-Mott insulator transitions.

- Can the single band Hubbard describe high  $T_c$  cuprates?

--- Still in debates.



## What do we know for sure?

- **1D Mott physics:** half-filled ( $U > 0$ ).

1) Charge gap opens at infinitesimal  $U$ : Umklapp process is relevant.

2) Spin channel remains critical exhibiting power-law AFM correlation.

C. N. Yang, PRL 19, 1312 (1967); Lieb and F. Y. Wu, PRL 20, 1445, (1968).

Field theoretical methods, DMRG simulations

- **2D AFM long-range-order:** the square lattice (half-filled).

Determinant quantum Monte-Carlo (DQMC):

Sign-problem free at half filling -- non-perturbative method,  
asymptotically exact

Blackenbecker, Scalapinio, Sugar, PRD (1981); J. Hirsch, PRB 31, 4403 (1985). 5

## Hidden pseudo-spin symmetry

- C. N. Yang's  $\eta$  pairing  $\rightarrow$  generators of charge SU<sub>c</sub>(2).

$$\eta^- = \sum_i (-)^i c_{i\downarrow} c_{i\uparrow}, \quad \eta^+ = \sum_i (-)^i c_{i\uparrow}^+ c_{i\downarrow}^+, \quad [\eta^-, \eta^+] = 2N$$

C. N. Yang and S. C. Zhang, Mod Phys. Lett. 4, 759 (1990).

- U<0: degeneracy between CDW and superconductivity at half-filling.

$$O_{cdw} = \sum_i (-)^i n_i, \quad \Delta = \sum_i c_{i\uparrow} c_{i\downarrow}, \quad \Delta^+ = \sum_i c_{i\downarrow}^+ c_{i\uparrow}^+$$

- Pseudo-Goldstone  $\eta$  mode (eigen-mode)

$$[\eta^+, \Delta] = O_{CDW} \quad [H, \eta^\pm] = \mp(\mu - \mu_0)\eta^\pm$$

$H(\eta^+ | G_{SC} \rangle) = (\mu - \mu_0) (\eta^+ | G_{SC} \rangle), \quad (\mu \geq \mu_0)$

## Theory progress with large-spin fermions

- Novel physics **inaccessible** in usual solid state systems.
- Early work by Ho and Yip (PRA and PRL 1999):



Richer Fermi liquid properties and Cooper pairing structures than those in spin-1/2 electron systems.


- **A new view point: high symmetries,  $Sp(2N)/SU(2N)$ .**

$Sp(4)/SO(5) /SU(4)$ : C. Wu, S. C. Zhang, S. Chen, Y. P. Wang, A. Tsvelik, G. M. Zhang, Lu Yu, X. W. Guan, Azaria, Lecheminant, et al. (2003 ---).

$SU(2N)$ : V. Guriare, M. Hermele, A. Rey, E. Demler, M. Lukin, P. Zoller, et al. (2010 ---).

# Experiment breakthrough of large-spin fermions

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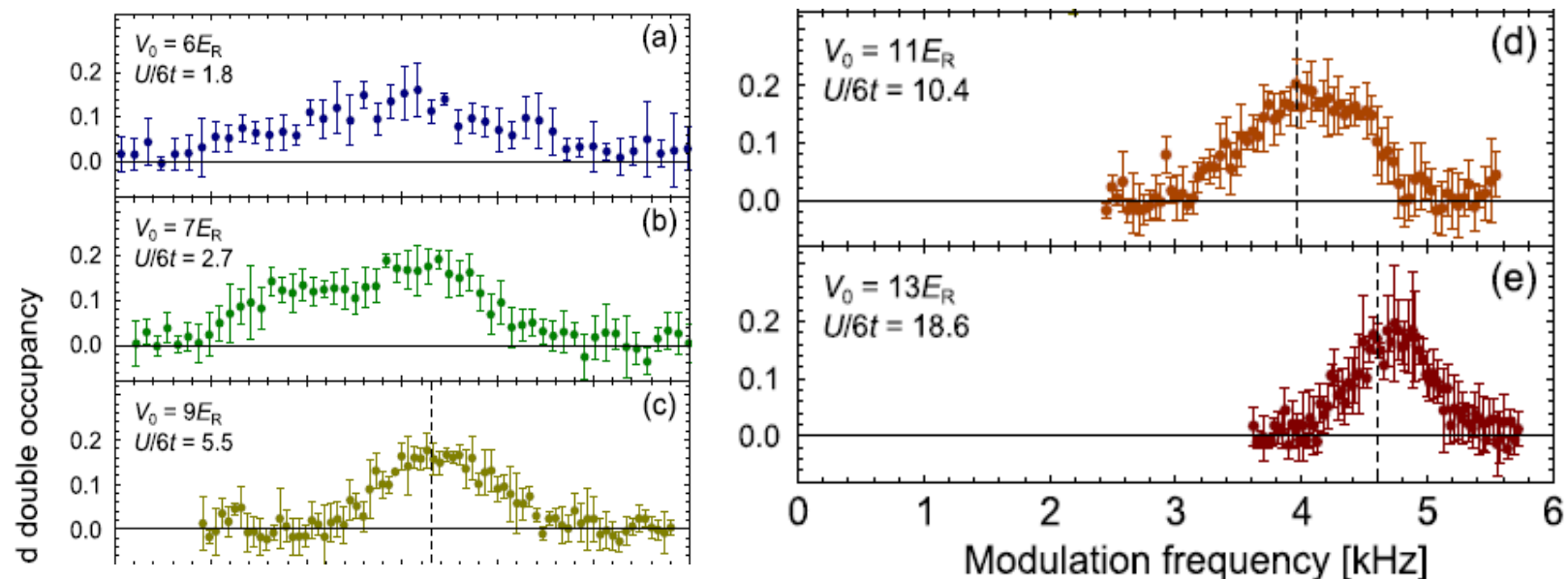
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<i>The experimental realization of quantum degenerate cold Fermi gases with large hyperfine spins opens up a new opportunity for exotic many-body physics.</i>	



# An SU(6) Mott insulator of an atomic Fermi gas realized by large-spin Pomeranchuk cooling

S. Taie, et al, Nature phys. 8, 825(2012).

Shintaro Taie<sup>1\*</sup>, Rekishu Yamazaki<sup>1,2</sup>, Seiji Sugawa<sup>1</sup> and Yoshiro Takahashi<sup>1,2</sup>



- Many recent progresses: Fallani et al; Jun Ye et al; K. Sengstock et al; Foelling/Bloch et al, .....

## What is large?

- High symmetry (large  $N$ ,  $SU(2N)$ ,  $Sp(2N)$ ) rather than large spin magnitude (large  $S$ ).

- High symmetries do not occur frequently in nature, since every new symmetry brings with itself a possibility of new physics, they deserve attention.

--- comment from D. Controzzi and A. M. Tsvelik, cond-mat/0510505

- Quantum spin fluctuations are enhanced NOT suppressed.

- $SU(2N)$  and  $Sp(2N)$  were introduced to condensed matter physics as a math tool, say,  $1/N$ -expansion.
- Now they have become realistic in lab.

## Transition metal oxides (large $S \rightarrow$ classical)

- **Large spin magnitude** from Hund's coupling.
- Inter-site coupling: exchange **a single pair** of electrons.

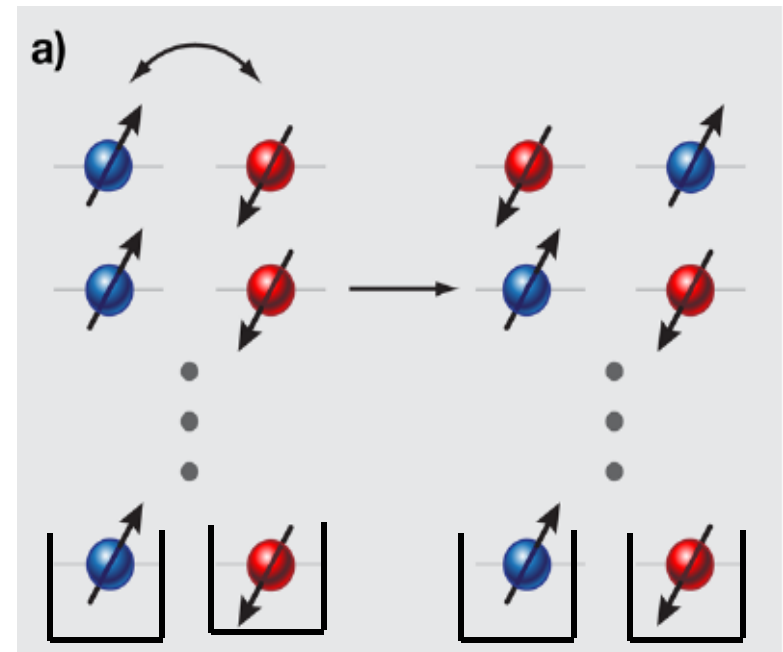
- **1/S-fluctuations:**  $\Delta S_z = \pm 1$

- Bilinear exchange dominates

$$\frac{t^2}{U} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j + \frac{t^4}{U^3} (\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j)^2 + \dots$$

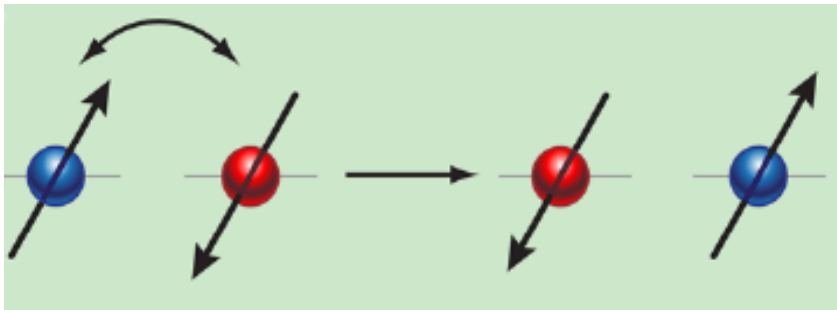
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## Cold fermions: large $N \rightarrow$ enhanced fluctuations!

- Large-hyperfine-spin as a whole object (no ionization).



$$\Delta S_z = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots \pm S$$

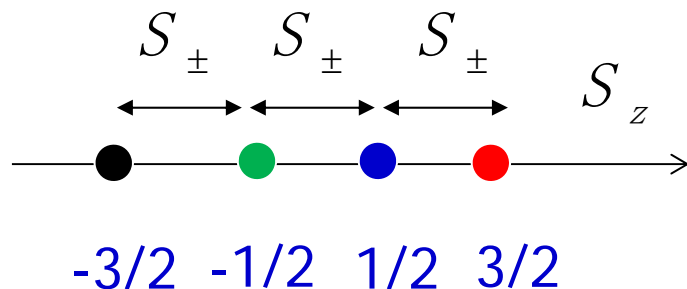
- One step of super-exchange can completely overturn spin config.

- Bilinear, bi-quadratic, bi-cubic terms, etc., are all at equal importance.

$$\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j, (\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j)^2, (\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j)^3$$

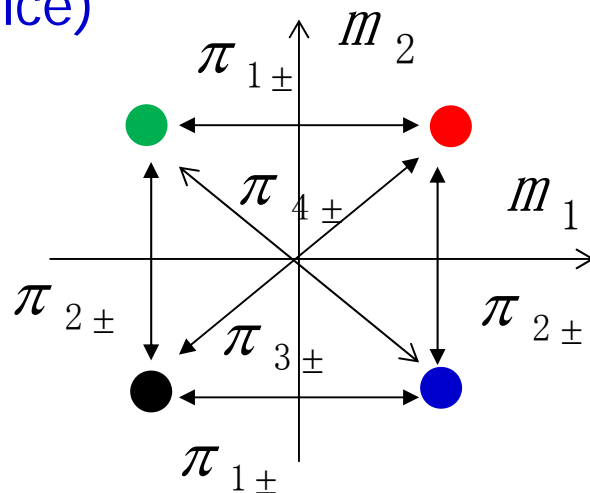
# Two views of the spin quartet (weight diagrams (lattice) of Lie algebra): c.f. synthetic lattice

Solid: SU(2) (1D lattice)



- A high rank spinor Rep. of a small group.
- Off-diagonal operator: (fluctuation)  $S_{\pm}$

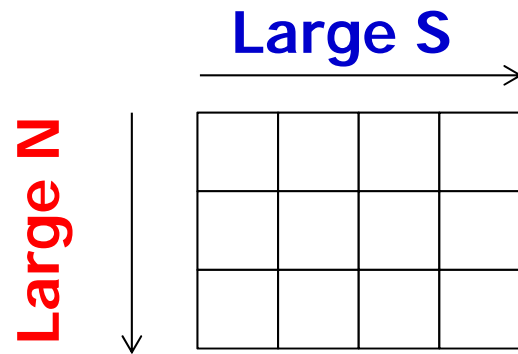
Cold fermions Sp(4)/SO(5) (2D lattice)



- The fundamental spinor Rep of a large group.
- Much more off-diagonal operators.

$$\pi_{1\pm}, \pi_{2\pm}, \pi_{3\pm}, \pi_{4\pm}$$

SU(2N), Sp(2N) (2N=2S+1)



- Alkaline-earth fermions: fully filled electronics shells; interactions are insensitive to nuclear moments; 2N components are equivalent.
- Alkali fermions: spin-dependent interactions; SU(2N) symmetry is not generic.

- The next high symmetry: **symplectic symmetry**

$$\text{SU}(2N) \rightarrow \text{Sp}(2N)$$

Good properties under time-reversal transformation.

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## The simplest case spin-3/2: **Hidden symmetry!**

- Spin 3/2 atoms:  $^{132}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^9\text{Be}$ ,  $^{135}\text{Ba}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Ba}$ ,  $^{201}\text{Hg}$ .

• **Sp(4) (SO(5))** symmetry without fine tuning regardless of dimensionality, particle density, and lattice geometry!

Sp(4) in spin 3/2 systems  $\leftrightarrow$  SU(2) in spin 1/2 systems

- SU(4) symmetry is realized iff the interaction is spin-independent.
- Importance of high symmetries: unification of competing orders, description of strong spin fluctuations, etc.



## Spin-3/2 Hubbard model in optical lattices

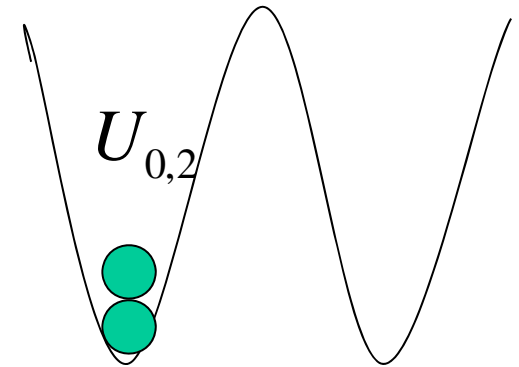
$$H = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \alpha} -t \{c_{i,\alpha}^+ c_{j,\alpha} + h.c.\} - \mu \sum_i c_{i,\alpha}^+ c_{i,\alpha} + U_0 \sum_i \eta^+(i) \eta(i) + U_2 \sum_{a=1 \sim 5} \chi_a^+(i) \chi_a(i)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \uparrow \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \quad \uparrow \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \\ \downarrow \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \quad \downarrow \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \end{array}$$

- Fermi statistics: only  $F_{\text{tot}}=0, 2$  are allowed;  $F_{\text{tot}}=1, 3$  are forbidden.

singlet:  $\eta^+(i) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \langle 00 | \frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2}; \alpha\beta \rangle c_{\alpha}^+(i) c_{\beta}^+(i)$

quintet:  $\chi_a^+(i) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \langle 2a | \frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2}; \alpha\beta \rangle c_{\alpha}^+(i) c_{\beta}^+(i)$



- For arbitrary values of  $t, \mu, U_0, U_2$  and lattice geometry, there is an **exact**  $\text{Sp}(4)$ , or  $\text{SO}(5)$  symmetry.

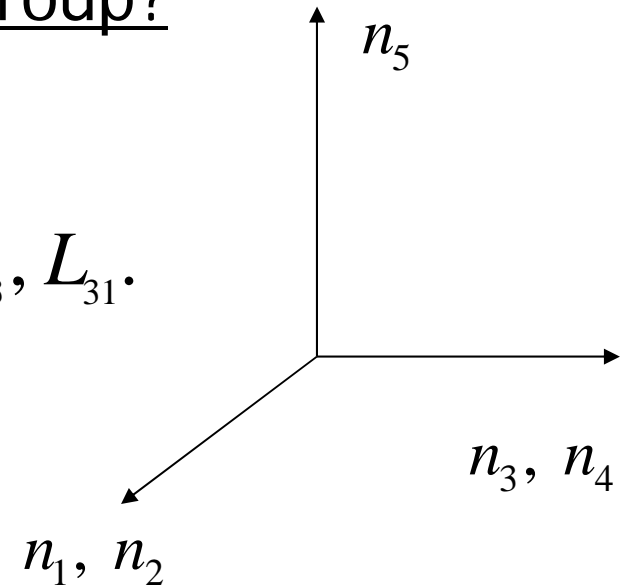
## What is Sp(4)(SO(5)) group?

- SU(2) (SO(3)) group.

3-vector:  $x, y, z$ ; 3-generator:  $L_{12}, L_{23}, L_{31}$ .

2-spinor:  $|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle$

- Sp(4)(SO(5)) group.



5-vector:  $n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, n_5$

**10-generator:**  $L_{ab}$  ( $1 \leq a < b \leq 5$ )


4-spinor:  $\uparrow \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \uparrow \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \downarrow \left| -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \downarrow \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle$

- We will see what quantities correspond to these 5-vector and 10-generator.

## spin-3/2 algebra $\psi_\alpha^+ M_{\alpha\beta} \psi_\beta$

- Total degrees of freedom:  $4^2=16=1+3+5+7$ .

1 density operator and 3 spin operators are far from complete.

rank: 0	1,	
	1	$F_x, F_y, F_z$
$M_{\alpha\beta}$	2	$\xi_{ij}^a F_i F_j$ ( $a=1 \sim 5$ ): 
	3	$\xi_{ijk}^a F_i F_j F_k$ ( $a=1 \sim 7$ )

$$F_x^2 - F_y^2, F_z^2 - \frac{5}{4},$$

$$\{F_x, F_y\}, \{F_y, F_z\}, \{F_z, F_x\}$$

- **Spin-quadrupole matrices** (rank-2 tensors) form five- $\Gamma$  matrices (SO(5) vector) --- the same  $\Gamma$ -matrices in Dirac equation.

$$\Gamma^a = \xi_{ij}^a F_i F_j, \quad \{\Gamma^a, \Gamma^b\} = 2\delta_{ab}, \quad (1 \leq a, b \leq 5)$$

# Hidden conserved quantities: spin-octupoles

- Both  $F_{x,y,z}$  and  $\xi^{ijk} F_i F_j F_k$  commute with Hamiltonian. 10 SO(5) generators:  $10=3+7$ .

• **7 spin-octupole operators** are the hidden conserved quantities.

$$\Gamma^{ab} = \frac{i}{2} [\Gamma^a, \Gamma^b] \quad (1 \leq a < b \leq 5)$$

- **SO(5): 1 scalar + 5 vectors + 10 generators = 16**

Time Reversal

1 density:  $n = \psi^+ \psi;$  even

5 spin-quadrupole:  $n_a = \frac{1}{2} \psi^+ \Gamma^a \psi;$  even

3 spins + 7 spin-octupole:  $L_{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \psi^+ \Gamma^{ab} \psi;$  odd

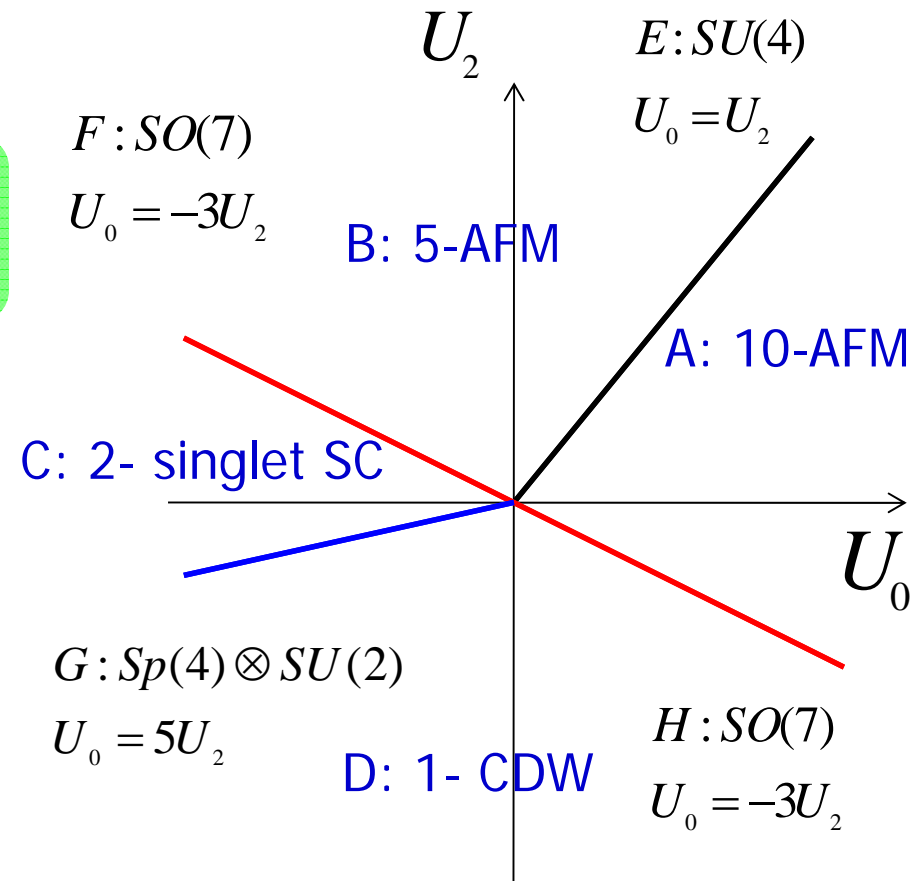
## Unify AF, SC, CDW with **exact** symmetries

- Even higher symm. appear in bipartite lattice at half-filling.

- AF (5-spin quadrupole) + SC (singlet) by  $SO(7)$  symmetry.

- CDW + SC (singlet) by pseudo-spin  $SU(2)$  symmetry. Generalization of C. N. Yang's eta-pairing.

- AF(10-spin+spin octupole) + SC (10-quintet) + CDW by the adjoint rep. of  $SO(7)$ .

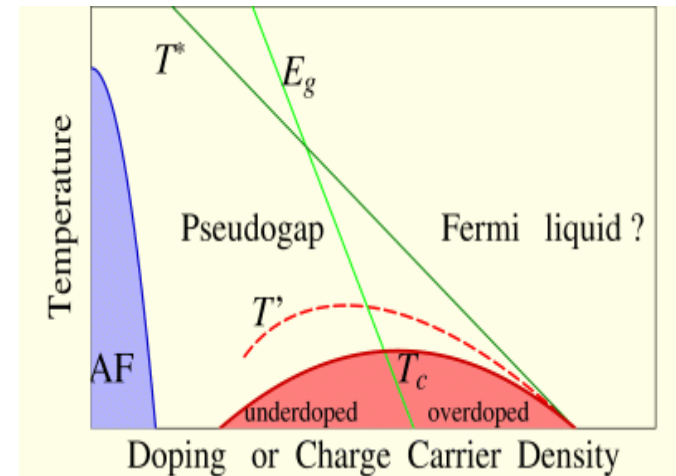


# “Grand-unifications” – elegance and power of the group theory

- Pseudo-spin  $SO(3=2+1)$ , or,  $SU(2)$  symm. unifies SC (singlet) + CDW – C. N. Yang, S. C. Zhang.

- Approx.  $SO(5=2+3)$  symm. unifies SC (d-wave singlet) + AFM – S. C. Zhang, E. Demler, et al.

41mev neutron resonance mode in the high  $T_c$  SC state: pseudo-Goldstone mode ( $\blacktriangle$  -mode)



- Exact  $SO(7=2+5)$  symm. Unifies SC + AFM (5-spin quadrupole).

$$[\chi_a^+, \Delta] = AF_{a,qd} \quad [H, \chi_a^\pm] = \mp(\mu - \mu_0)\chi_a^\pm$$

5- $\leftrightarrow$  models: rotate  $SC \leftrightarrow AF$ .

$$H(\chi_a^+ | G_{SC} \rangle) = [E_G + (\mu - \mu_0)] (\chi_a^+ | G_{SC} \rangle)$$

Analogy to the  $\blacktriangle$  modes in high  $T_c$ .

# Sign-problem free QMC algorithm away from half-filling

- An equivalent formulation:

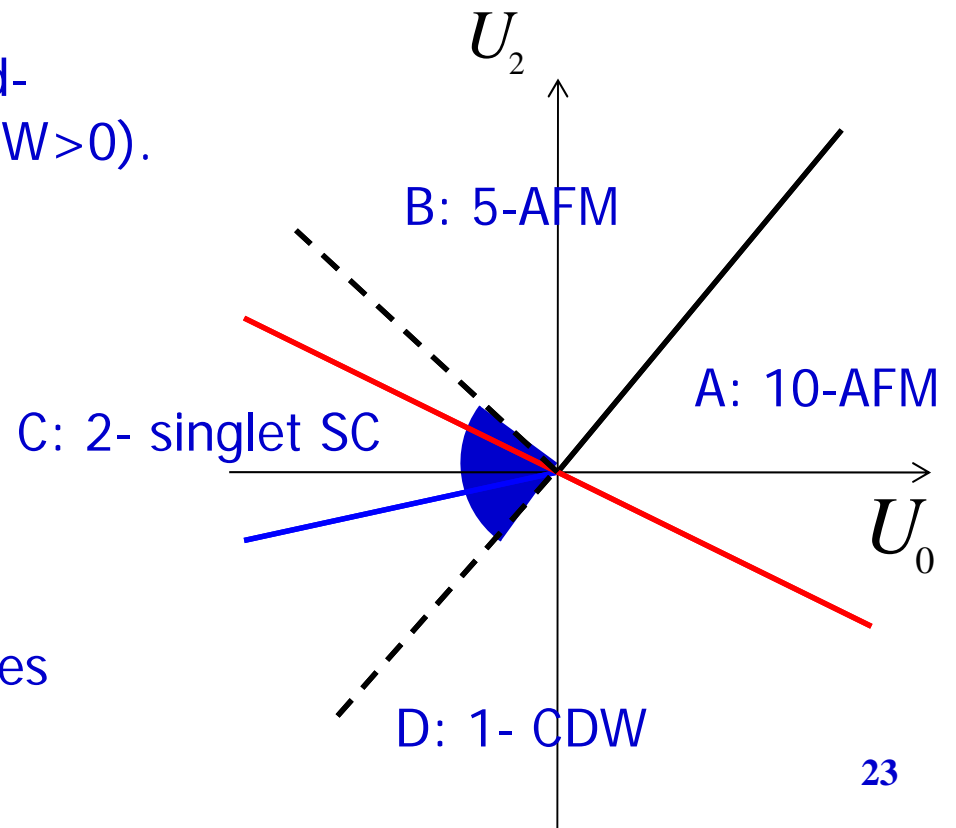
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$$V = -\frac{3U_0 + 5U_2}{16}, \quad W = \frac{U_2 - U_0}{4}$$

- Time-reversal invariant Hubbard-Stratonovich decomposition at  $(V, W > 0)$ .
- Fermion determinant remains positive-definite at any filling.

$$U_0 < U_2 < -\frac{3}{5} U_0$$

- Sign problem free region includes Superconductivity, CDW, AFM.

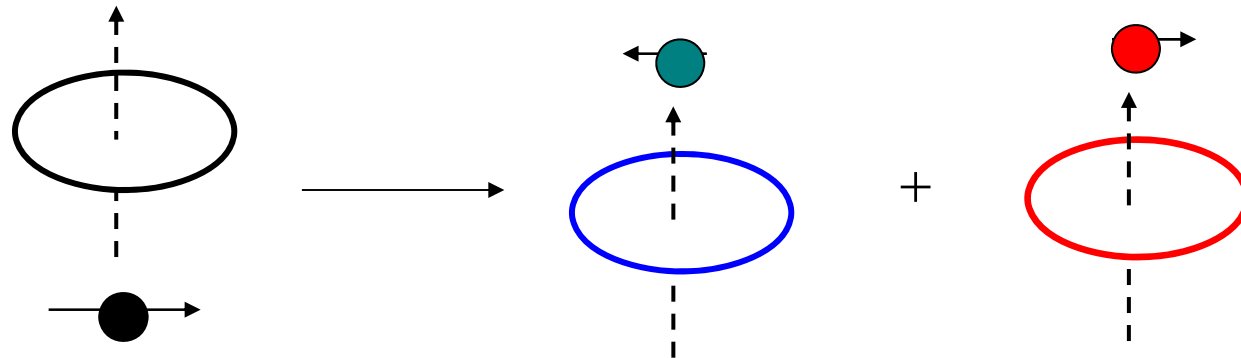


# Non-abelian statistics – Alice vortex loop/particle (SO(4) Cheshire charge)

- Quintet pairing ( $S=2$ )  $\rightarrow$  half-quantum vortex loop carrying spin quantum number.

$$|init\rangle = \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle_p \otimes |\text{zero charge}\rangle_{vort} \longrightarrow$$

$$|final\rangle = \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_p \otimes |S_z = 1\rangle_{vort} - \left| \frac{-1}{2} \right\rangle_p \otimes |S_z = 2\rangle_{vort}$$



$$|00; 00\rangle_{vt} \otimes \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}; 00 \right\rangle_{qp}, \quad \left| \frac{11}{22}; \frac{1}{2} \frac{-1}{2} \right\rangle_{vt} \otimes \left| 00; \frac{11}{22} \right\rangle_{qp} - \left| \frac{11}{22}; \frac{11}{22} \right\rangle_{vt} \otimes \left| 00; \frac{1}{2} \frac{-1}{2} \right\rangle_{qp} .$$



# More details

**Brief Review**

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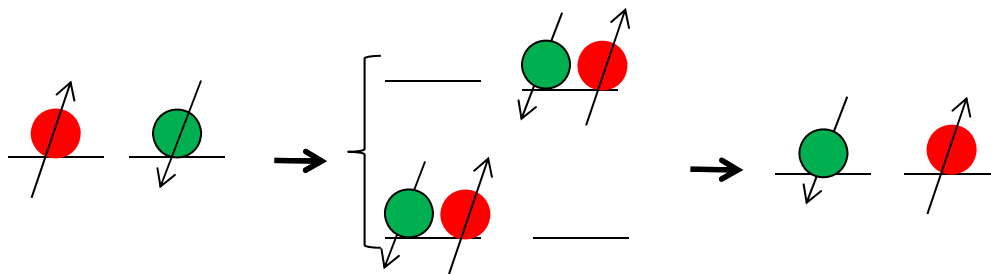
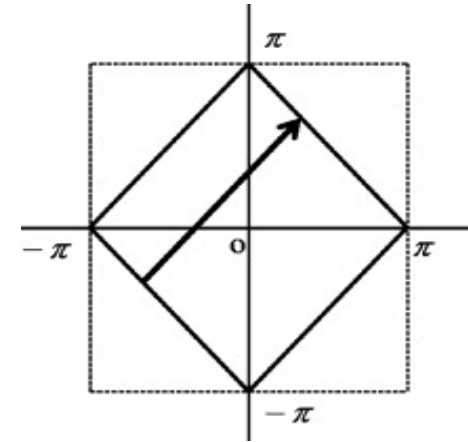
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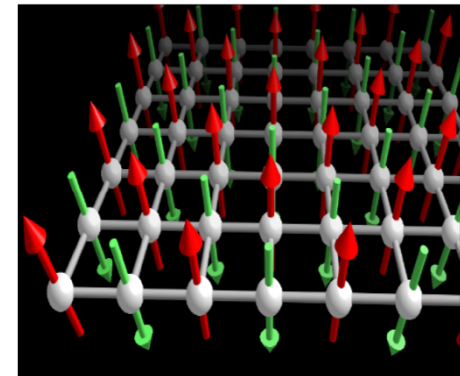
## Slater V. S. Mott (half-filling)

- Small  $U/t$  (Fermi surface nesting): divergence of AFM susceptibility; charge fluctuation cannot be neglected!
- Large  $U/t$  (local moment): charge fluctuation suppressed; AFM super-exchange.



$$H = J \sum_i (\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j - \frac{1}{4})$$

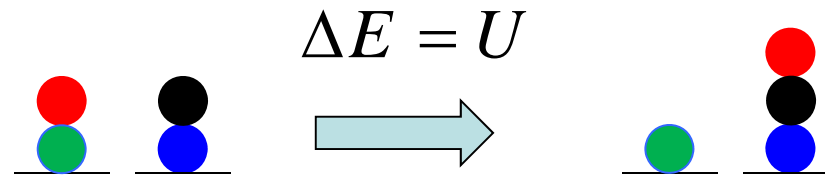
$$J = \frac{4t^2}{U}$$



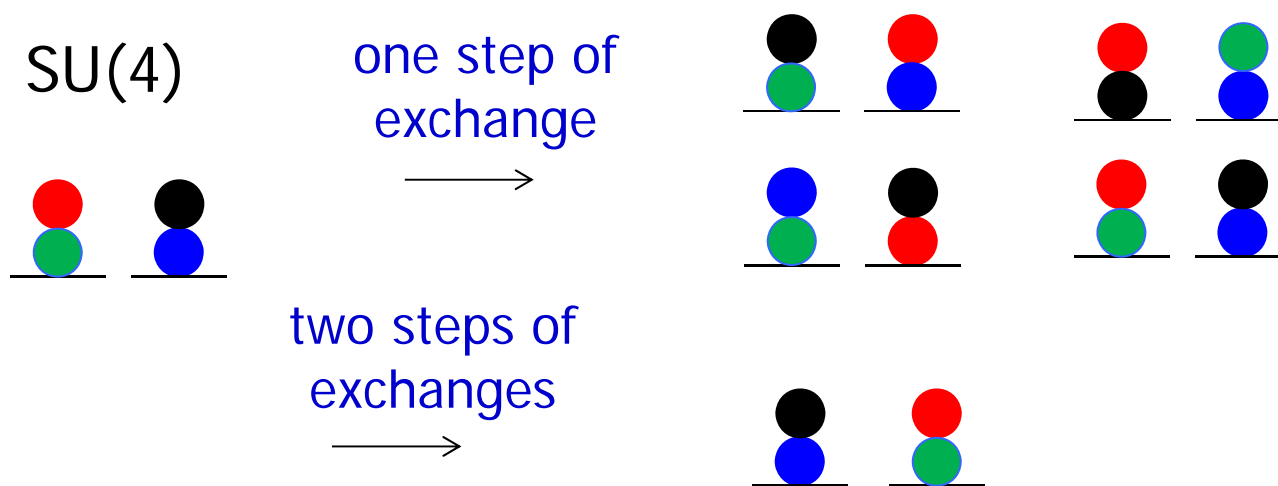
# SU(2N) Hubbard model at half-filling

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \sigma=1}^{2N} \{c_{i,\sigma}^+ c_{j,\sigma} + h. c.\} + \frac{U}{2} \sum_i (n_i - N)^2 \quad n_i = \sum_{\sigma=1}^{2N} n_{i,\sigma}$$

- SU(4) as an example.  
In the atomic limit,  $t=0$ .



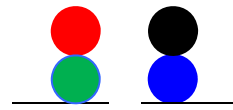
- Turning on  $t$ , number of super-exchange processes scales as  $N^2$ .



# Enhancement of quantum spin fluctuations

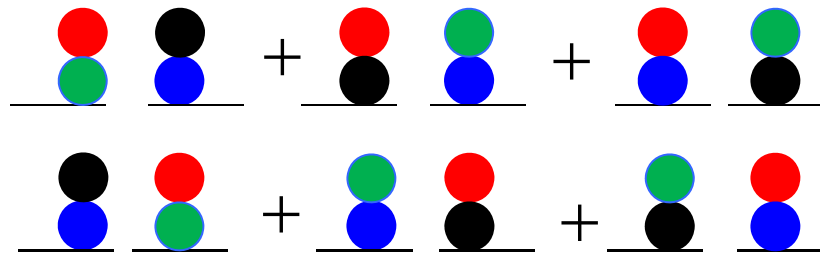
- As increasing  $2N$ , the Neel states become unfavorable.

$$\Delta E = -2N \frac{t^2}{U}$$



classic-Neel

$$\Delta E = -2N(N+1) \frac{t^2}{U}$$



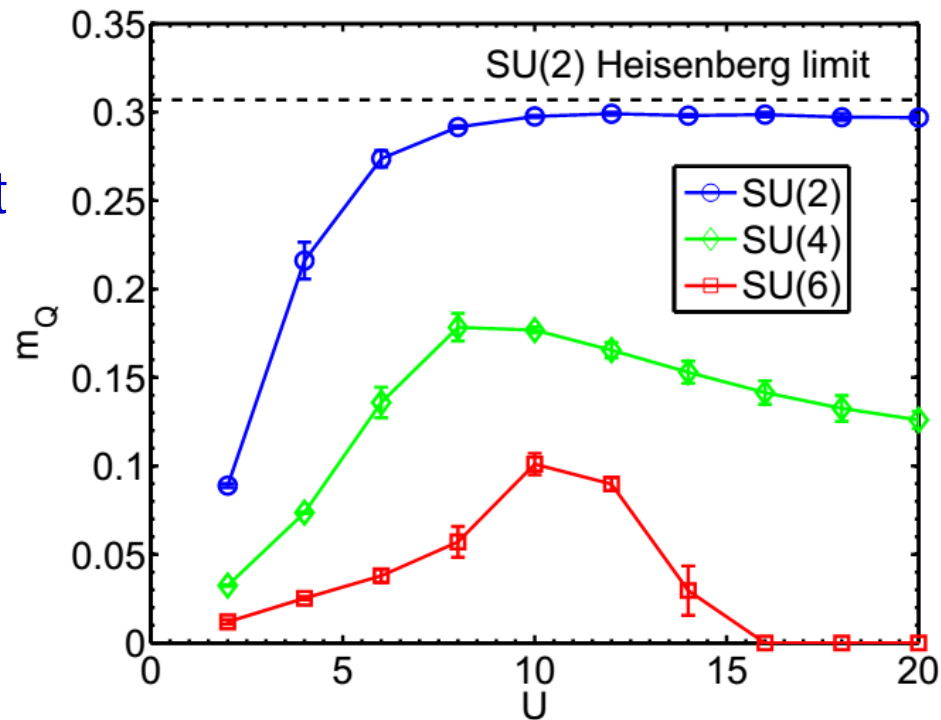
bond  $SU(2N)$   
singlet

- Bond dimer state consists of  $\binom{2N}{N}$  resonating Neel configurations.

- As  $N >$  coordination number, valence bond dimering is favored (Sachdev + Read).

## A new phase transition inside the Mott phase (zero T)

Neel  
moment



Projector  
determinant  
QMC + pinning  
field.

D. Wang, Y. Li, Z. Cai, Z. Zhou, Y. Wang, C. Wu, Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 156403 (2014).

- SU(2): smooth cross-over (J. Hirsch)
- SU(4) and SU(6): non-monotonic behavior of Neel moment.
- Complete suppression of AFM for SU(6).

## T=0 projector determinant QMC algorithm (sign problem free at half-filling)

- Projection to the ground state.

$$|\Psi_G\rangle = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\beta H/2} |\Psi_T\rangle.$$

*S. R. White et al., PRB (1989);*

*F. F. Assaad and H. G. Evertz, computational many-particle physics (2008)*

- Trotter-Suzuki decomposition.

$$e^{-\Delta\tau(K+V)} = e^{-\Delta\tau K/2} e^{-\Delta\tau V} e^{-\Delta\tau K/2} + o[(\Delta\tau)^3],$$

- Exact Hubbard-Stratonovich (HS) decoupling for multi-component fermions:

$$e^{\lambda X^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{l=\pm 1, \pm 2} \gamma_i(l) e^{\eta_i(l) X},$$

$$|\text{eig}(X)| = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$\text{where } a = e^\lambda, d = \sqrt{8 + a^2(3 + a^2)^2}.$$

$$\gamma(\pm 1) = \frac{-a(3 + a^2) + d}{d}, \quad \gamma(\pm 2) = \frac{a(3 + a^2) + d}{d},$$

$$\eta(\pm 1) = \pm \cosh^{-1} \left\{ \frac{a + 2a^3 + a^5 + (a^2 - 1)d}{4} \right\}$$

$$\eta(\pm 2) = \pm \cosh^{-1} \left\{ \frac{a + 2a^3 + a^5 - (a^2 - 1)d}{4} \right\},$$

*Da Wang et al., PRL (2014)*

## Projector QMC with the pinning field

- Usual methods to identify long-range-order in simulations:

1) 2-point correlation function:  $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \langle S(r)S(0) \rangle \neq 0$

2) Structure factor:  $\frac{1}{L^2} \sum \langle S(r)S(0) \rangle e^{iQr} \neq 0$

Square of  
order  
parameter

- The pinning field method (sensitive to weak ordering):

Add an external field at the center, and measure the spatial decay of induced magnetic moment.

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \langle S(r) \rangle_h \neq 0$$

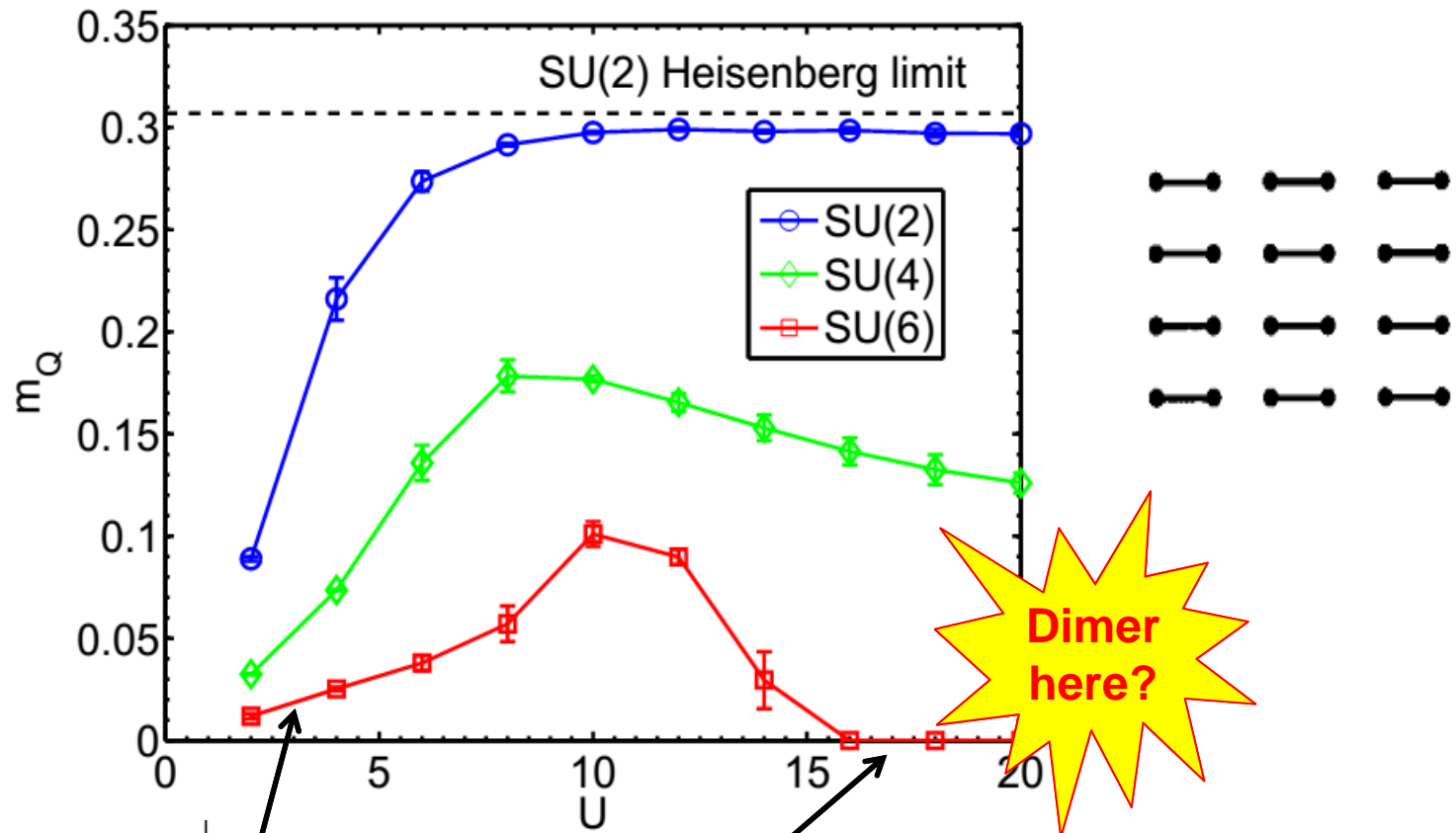


Order  
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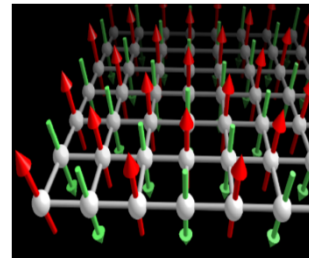
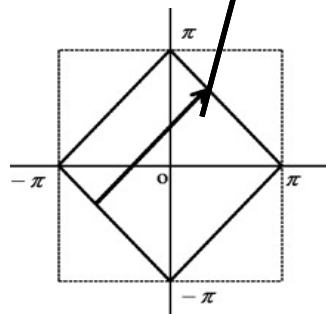
S. R. White and A. L. Chernyshev, PRL (2007); F. F. Assaad and I. F. Herbut, PRX (2013)



# Competition between FS nesting and local moment!



Itinerancy:  
FS nesting  
 $Q(\pi, \pi)$



Local moment  
 $Q(\pi, 0)$

**Dimer here?**

## Mott gap: short-range charge fluctuations

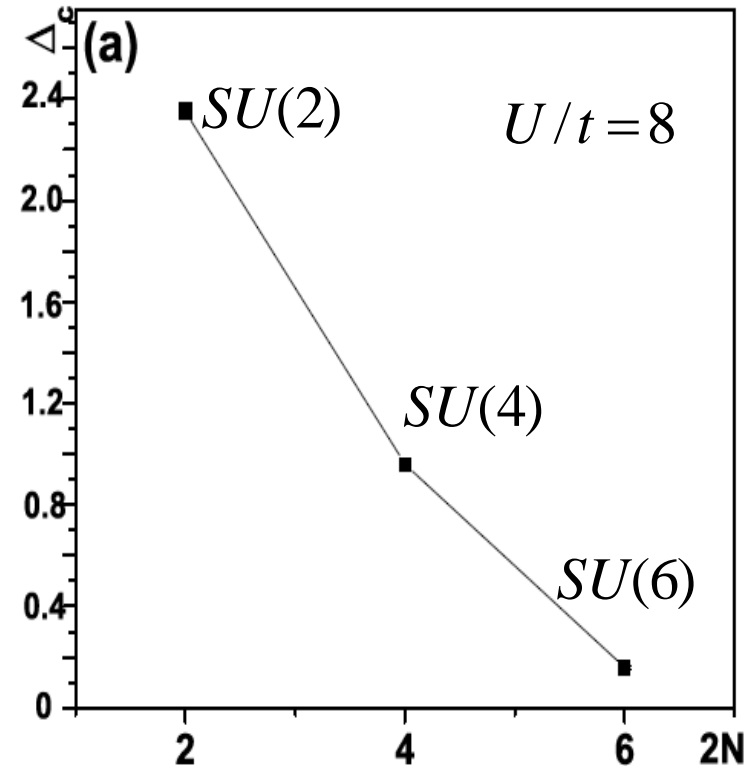
- Single particle gap extracted from Green's function.

$$G(i, i, \tau) = \langle G | c_{\alpha}^{+}(i, \tau) c_{\alpha}(i, 0) | G \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow e^{-\Delta_c \tau}$$

- Mott insulating states do not mean that charge does not move! Charge localization length.

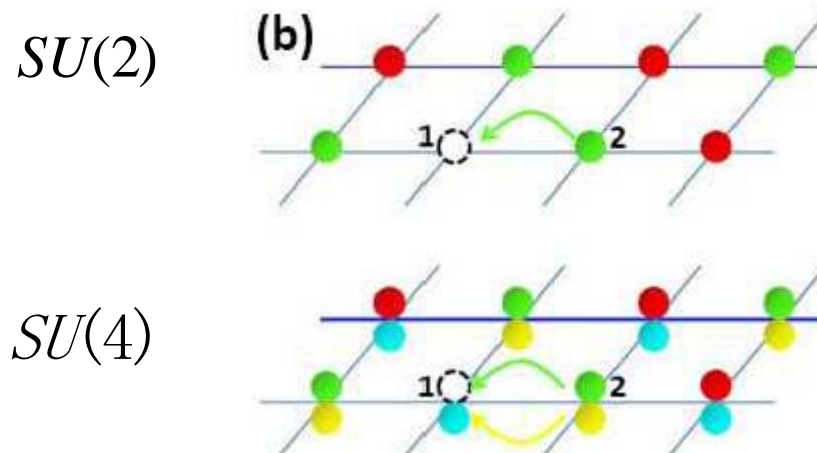
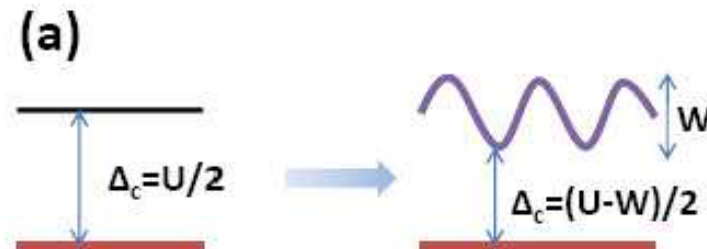
$$\xi_c / a_0 \approx t / \Delta_c$$



- Enhancing charge fluctuations as  $N$  increases! It is NOT legitimate to neglect charge degree of freedom.

## Estimation of single particle gap v.s N (large U)

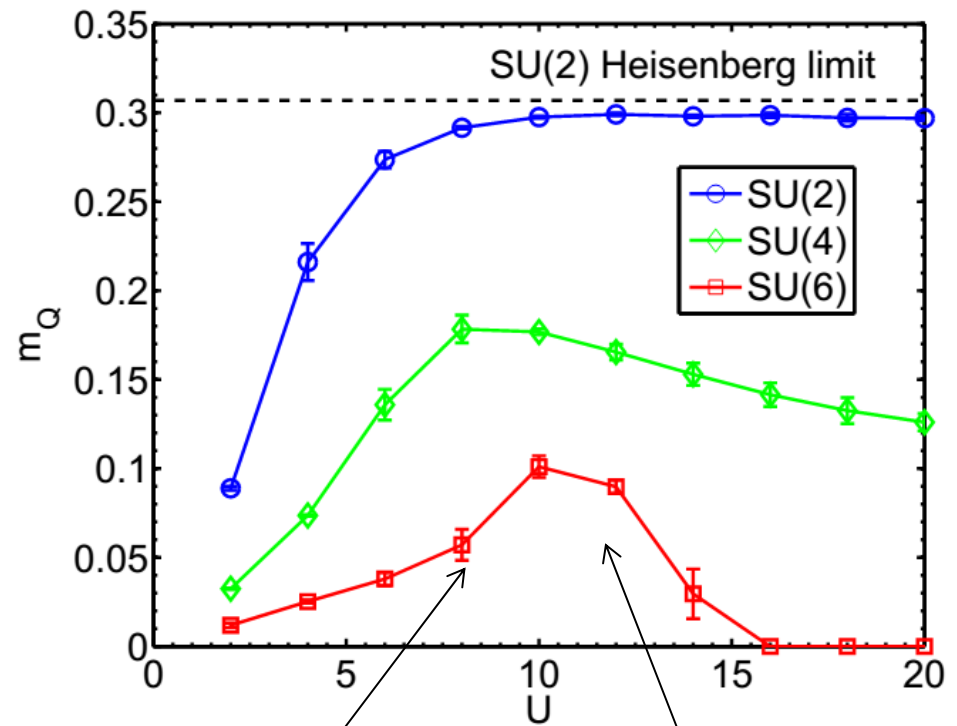
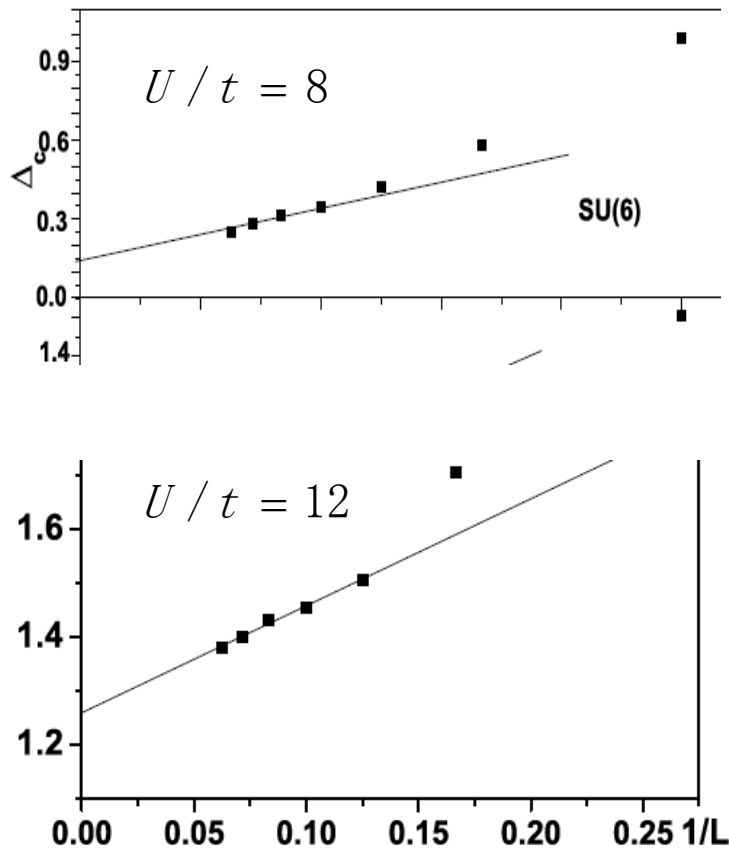
- Charge gap decreases due to the enhanced number of hopping processes of charge excitations.



$$W \propto Nt$$

# Rapid increase of Mott gap around $U \sim 10$ (SU(6))

## Signature of Mottness

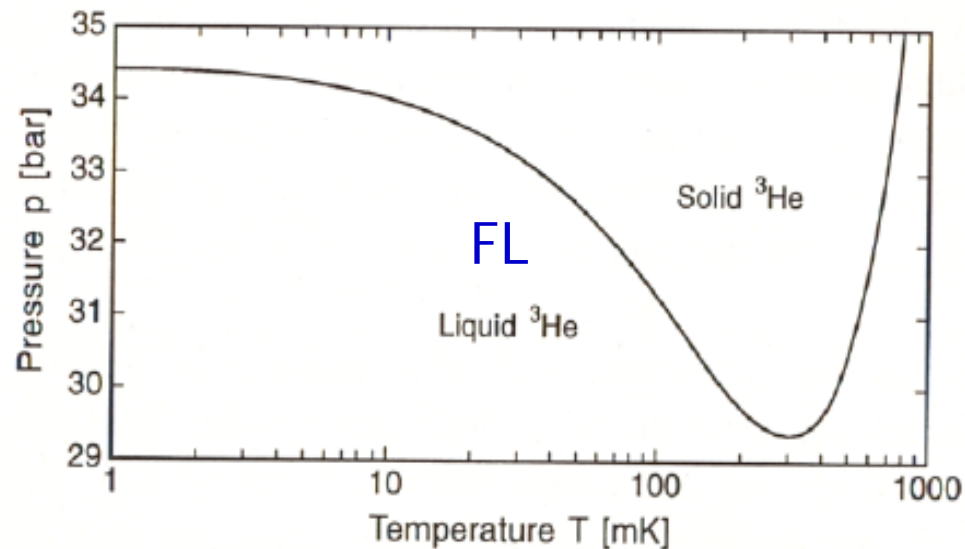


$\Delta_c / t \approx 0.2$

$\Delta_c / t \approx 1.26$

## Thermodynamics: Pomeranchuk effect

- In Mott-insulators, all the sites contribute to entropy through spin configurations, while in Fermi liquids, only fermions close to Fermi surfaces contribute.



- Pomeranchuk effect is more efficient in large spin systems due to the enhanced entropy capability.

S. Taie, arXiv 1208.4883; K. R. Hazzard, et al PRA 2012, Z. Cai et al, PRL, 2013.

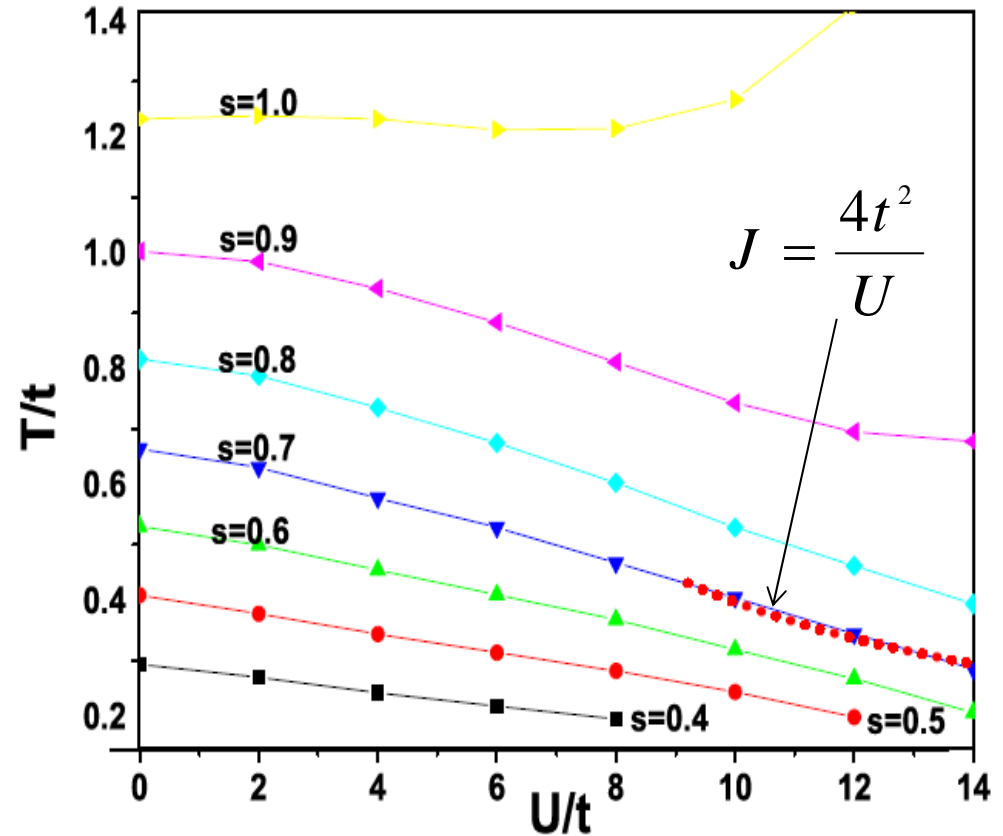
## Pomeranchuk effect (SU(6), half-filling)

- Iso-entropy curve (three-particle per site).

$$S_{su(2N)} = S/(NL^2)$$

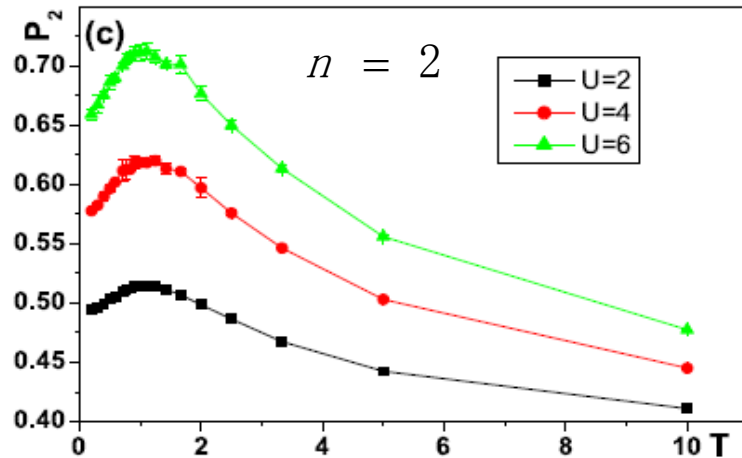
$$\frac{S_{su(2N)}(T)}{k_B} = \ln 4 + \frac{E(T)}{T} - \int_T^\infty dT' \frac{E(T')}{T'^2},$$

- As entropy per particle  $s < 0.7$ , increasing  $U$  can cool the system below the anti-ferro energy scale  $J$ .



Sample size  $10 \times 10$

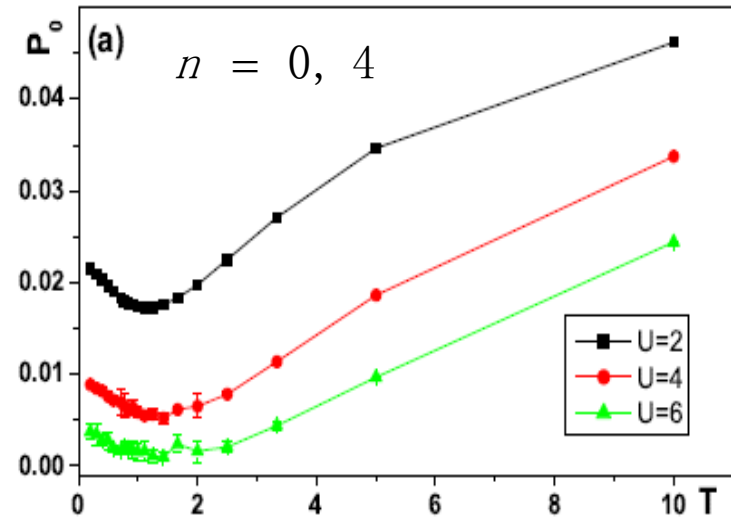
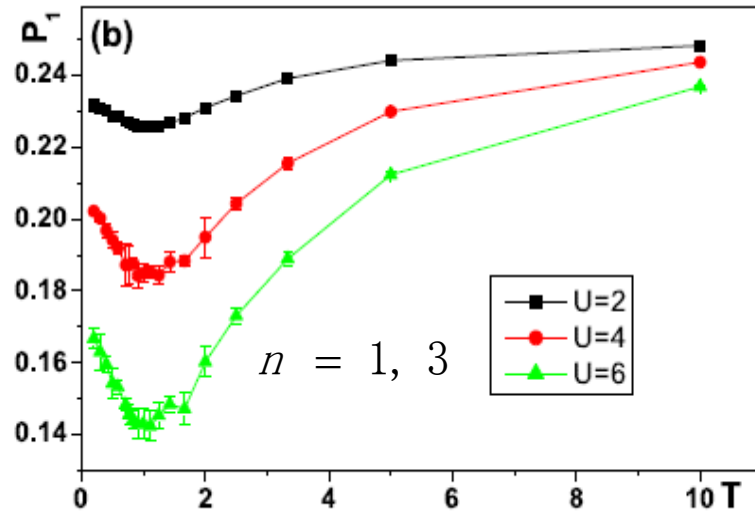
# Probability of onsite occupation (SU(4))



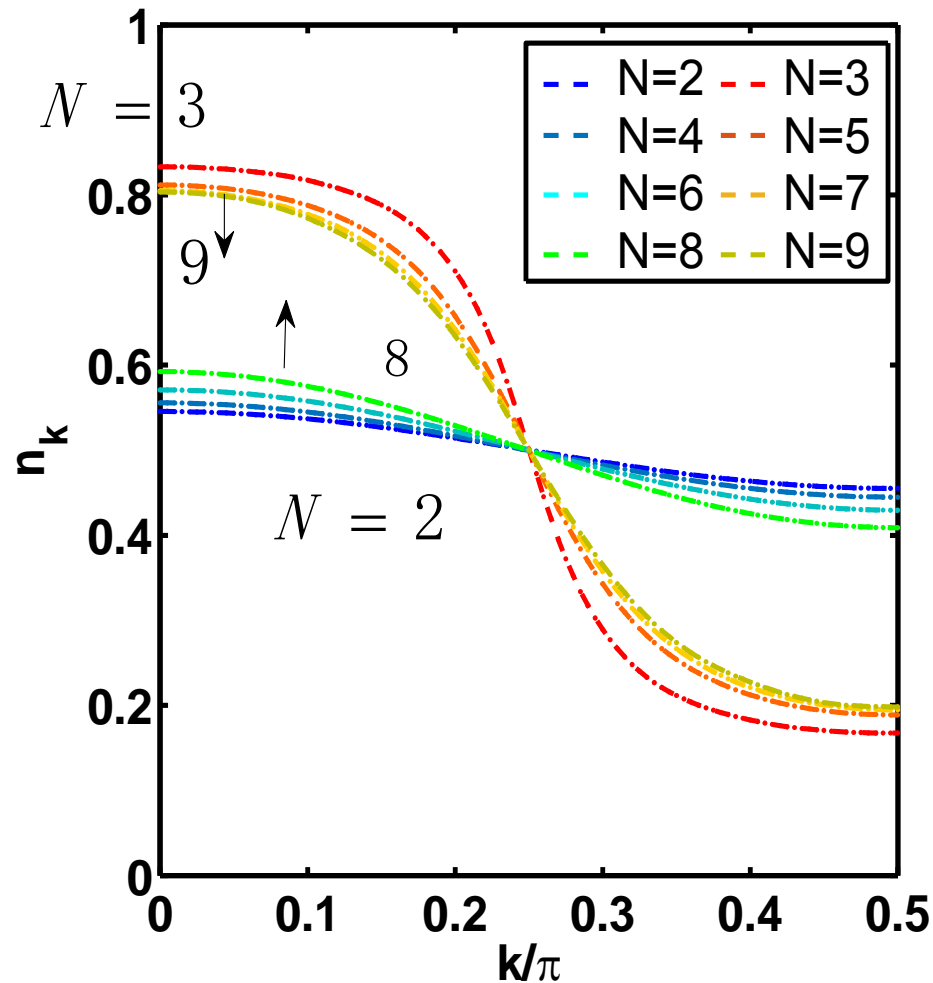
$$P(0) = \prod_{\alpha=1}^4 (1 - n_i^{\alpha});$$

$$P(1) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 n_i^{\alpha} \prod_{\beta \neq \alpha} (1 - n_i^{\beta});$$

$$P(2) = \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} n_i^{\alpha} n_i^{\beta} \prod_{\gamma \neq \alpha \beta} (1 - n_i^{\gamma}).$$



# 1D SU(N): interaction effects v.s. N



- Fermi distribution  $n(k)$  at strong coupling at half-filling.

$$U = 40; \beta = 10$$

- Even  $N$ : interaction effect is weakened as increasing  $N$ .
- odd  $N$ : interaction effect is enhanced as increasing  $N$ .



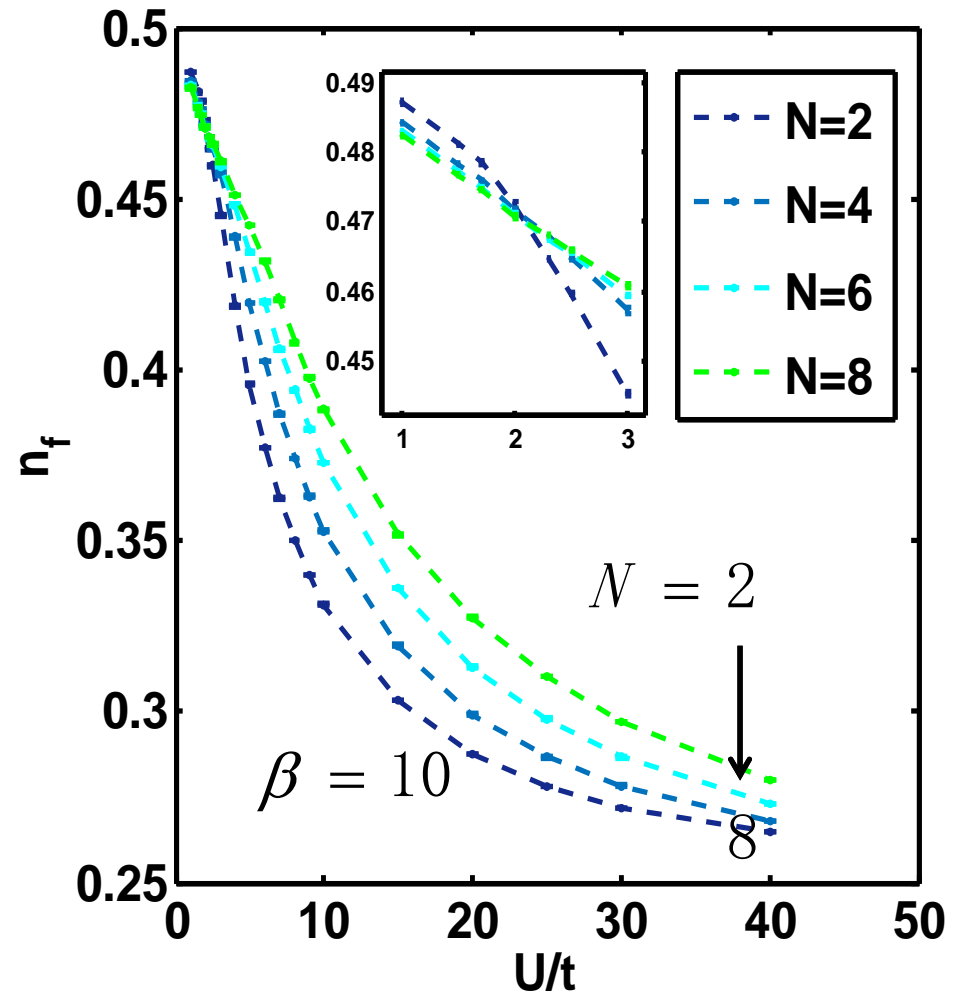
## Universal (?) crossing (weak to strong coupling)

- Density of particles within  $k_f$  as a probe of effect of  $U$  and  $N$



$$n_f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-k_f}^{k_f} n_k$$

- All curves cross over from weak coupling to strong coupling at same point



## Digression: itinerant FM from the Hubbard model

- Absence of FM in 1D Hubbard model – correlation effect. (Stoner mechanism overestimated exchange effect).

Lieb, Mattis, PR, 125, 164 (1962)

- Nagaoka FM (single hole, infinite  $U$ ), and flat-band FM.

Nagaoka PR 147, 392 (1966), Mielke J. Phys. A (1991), Tasaki PRL (1992).

- A large stable phase of itinerant FM in 2D square/3D cubic lattice (quasi-1D band) by multi-orbital Hund's rule coupling
- Relevant to cold atom p-orbital systems and SrTiO<sub>3</sub>/LaAlO<sub>3</sub> interface.

Y. Li, E. Lieb, C. Wu, PRL 112, 217201 (2014). S. Xu, Y. Li, C. Wu, arxiv:1411:0340.

## Conclusion

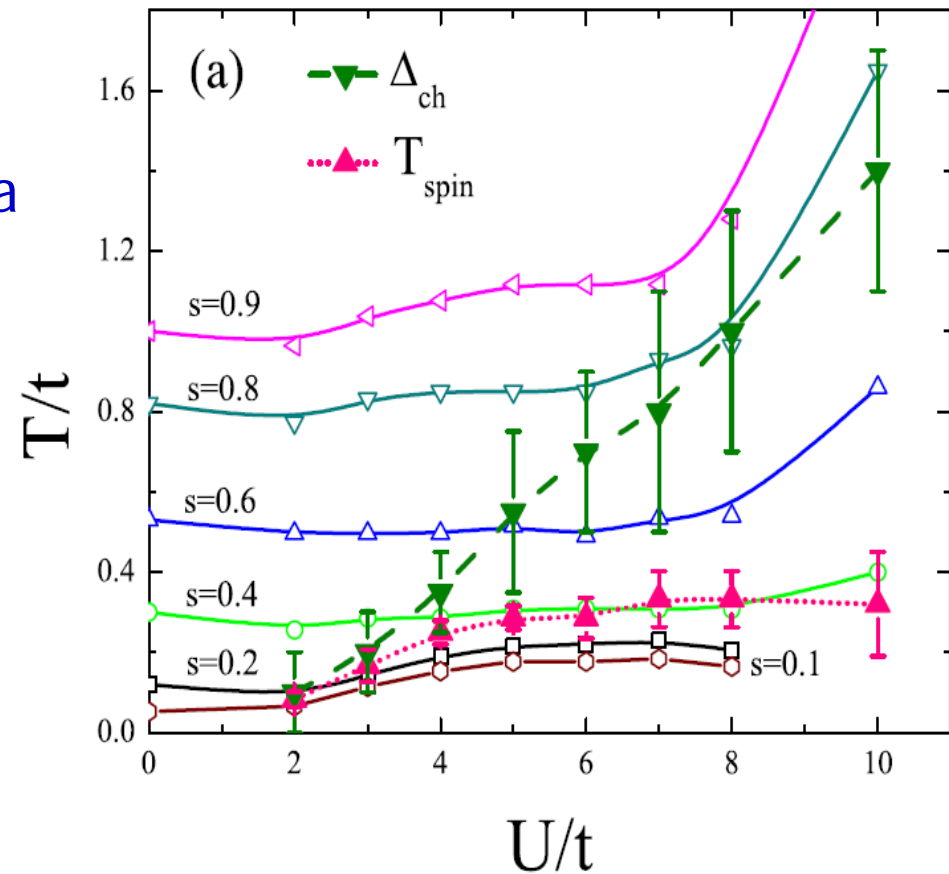
- **Large-spin cold fermions are quantum-like NOT classical!**
- Elegancy of unification (group theory based on  $Sp(4)$ ):  
AFM, SC and CDW phases/ Non-abelian Alice/Cheshire physics
- $SU(6)$  Mott-ness: competition between Fermi surface (Slater) and local moments (Mott).

Quantum phase transitions in the Mott regime.

- Pomeranchuk cooling of 2D  $SU(6)$  Hubbard model.
- 1D  $SU(N)$  Hubbard model: interaction effects v.s.  $N$ .

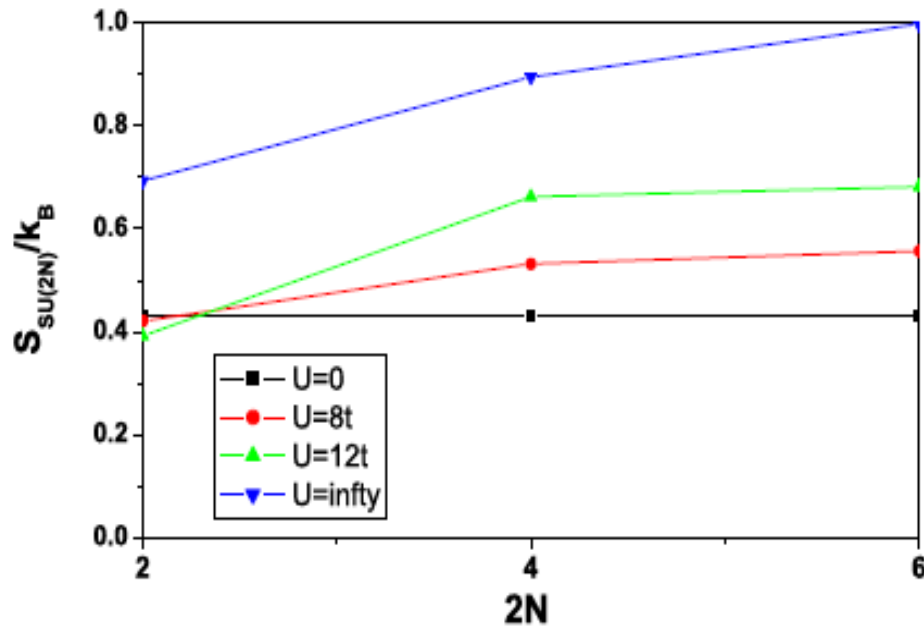
# Inefficiency of Pomeranchuk cooling of SU(2) fermions

- The iso-entropy curve for spin-1/2 Hubbard model at half-filling – QMC by T. Paiva et al, PRL 2010.
- The ordering tendency of the SU(2) AFM suppresses the spin entropy.



T. Paiva, et al, PRL 104, 066406 (2010).

# Entropy capability per particle for half-filled SU(2N) Hubbard model



- Entropy per particle at  $U \rightarrow \infty$  and  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\frac{S_{Su(2N)}}{k_B} = \frac{1}{N} \ln \frac{(2N)!}{N!N!} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \ln 4$$

FIG. 1: Entropy per particle  $S_{su(2N)}$  for the SU(2N) Hubbard model at half-filling v.s.  $2N$  in a  $10 \times 10$  square lattice. The temperature is fixed at  $T/t = \frac{1}{3}$ . The line of  $U/t = \infty$  is from the results of Eq. 3.

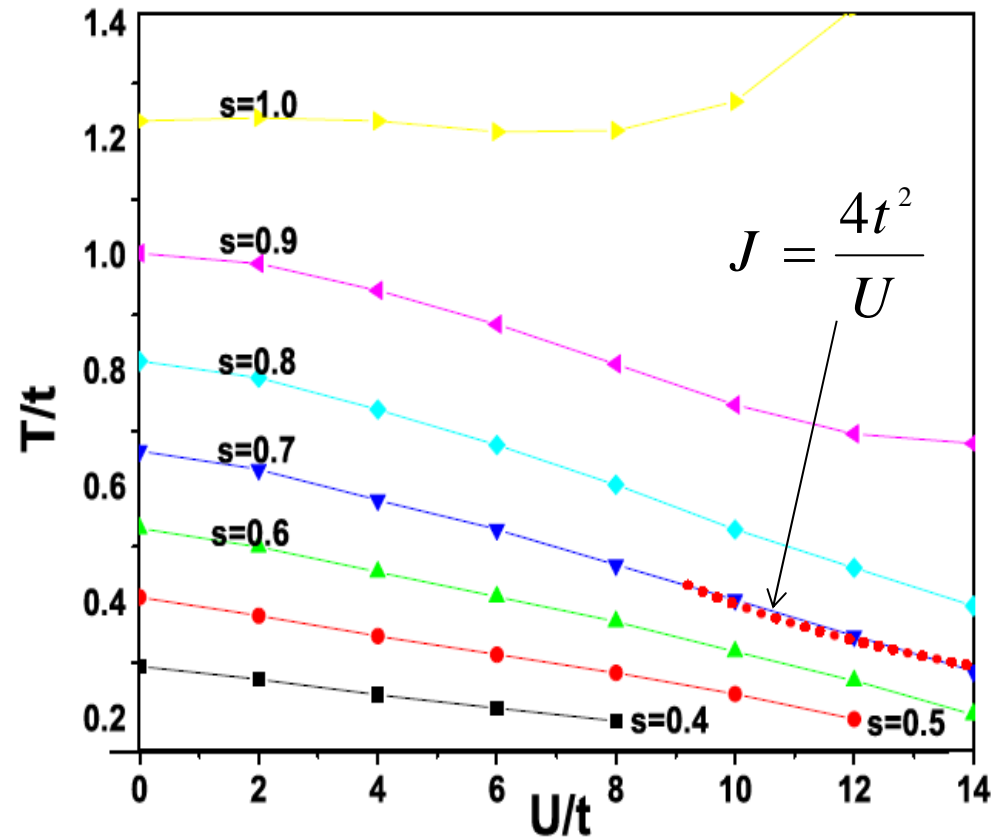
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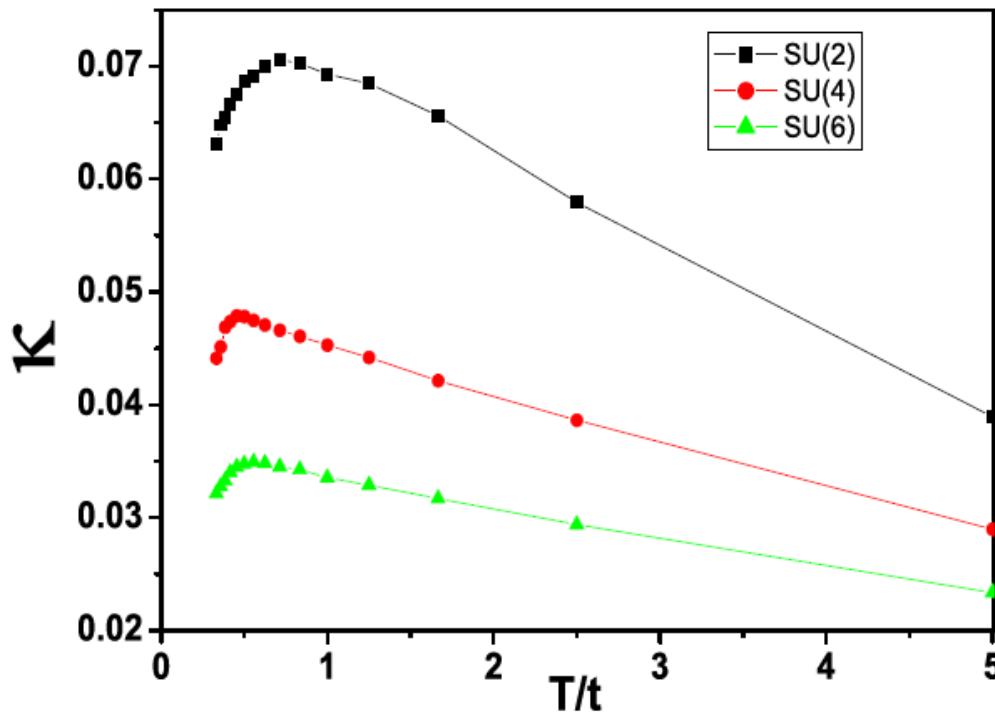


Sample size  $10 \times 10$

# Compressibility

- Charge fluctuation energy scale.

$$\kappa_{SU(2N)} = \frac{1}{L^2} \frac{\partial N_f}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{TL^2} (\langle \hat{N}_f^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{N}_f \rangle^2)$$



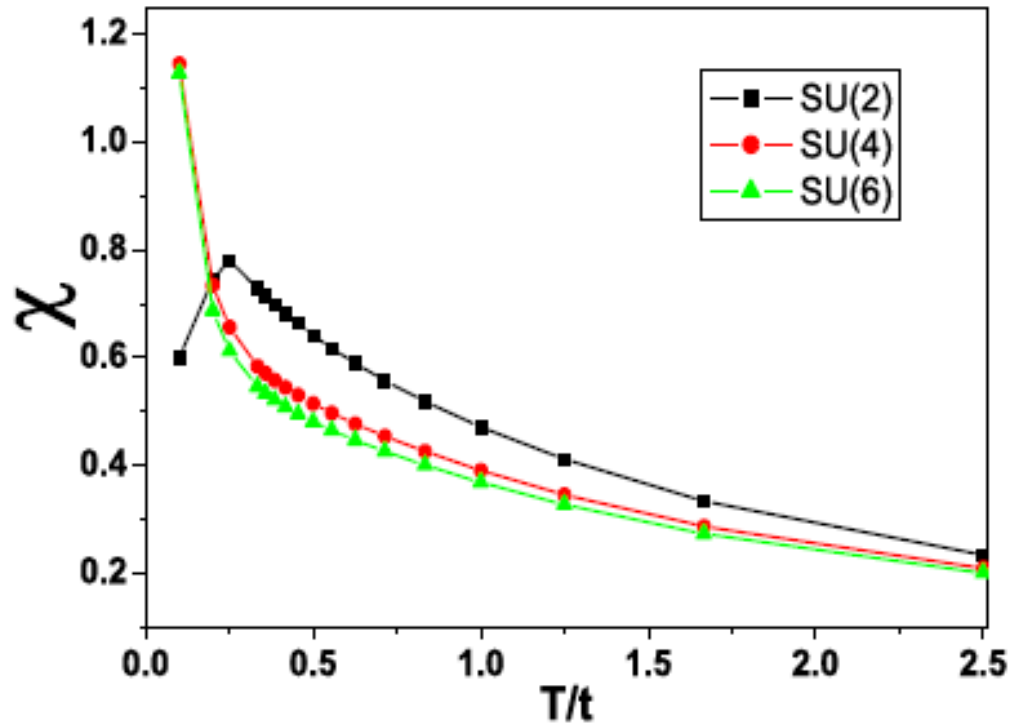
Sample size  $10 \times 10$

$$U / t = 4$$

Z. Cai, H. H. Hung, L. Wang, D. Zheng,  
and C. Wu, arxiv1202.6323.

The normalized compressibility  $\kappa_{su(2N)}/(2N)$  v.s.  $T$

## Magnetic susceptibility v.s. T



Sample size  $10 \times 10$

Z. Cai, H. H. Hung, L. Wang, D. Zheng, and C. Wu, arxiv1202.6323.

FIG. 4: The normalized SU(2N) susceptibilities  $\chi_{su(2N)}$  v.s.  $T$  with fixed  $U/t = 4$  for  $2N = 2, 4, 6$



# 1D systems: strongly correlated but understandable

- Bethe ansatz results for 1D  $SU(2N)$  model:

$2N$  particles form an  $SU(2N)$  singlet; Cooper pairing is not possible because 2 particles can not form an  $SU(2N)$  singlet.

P. Schlottmann, J. Phys. Cond. Matt 6, 1359(1994).

- Competing orders in 1D spin  $3/2$  systems with  $Sp(4)$  symmetry.

Both quartetting and singlet Cooper pairing are allowed.

Transition between quartetting and Cooper pairing.

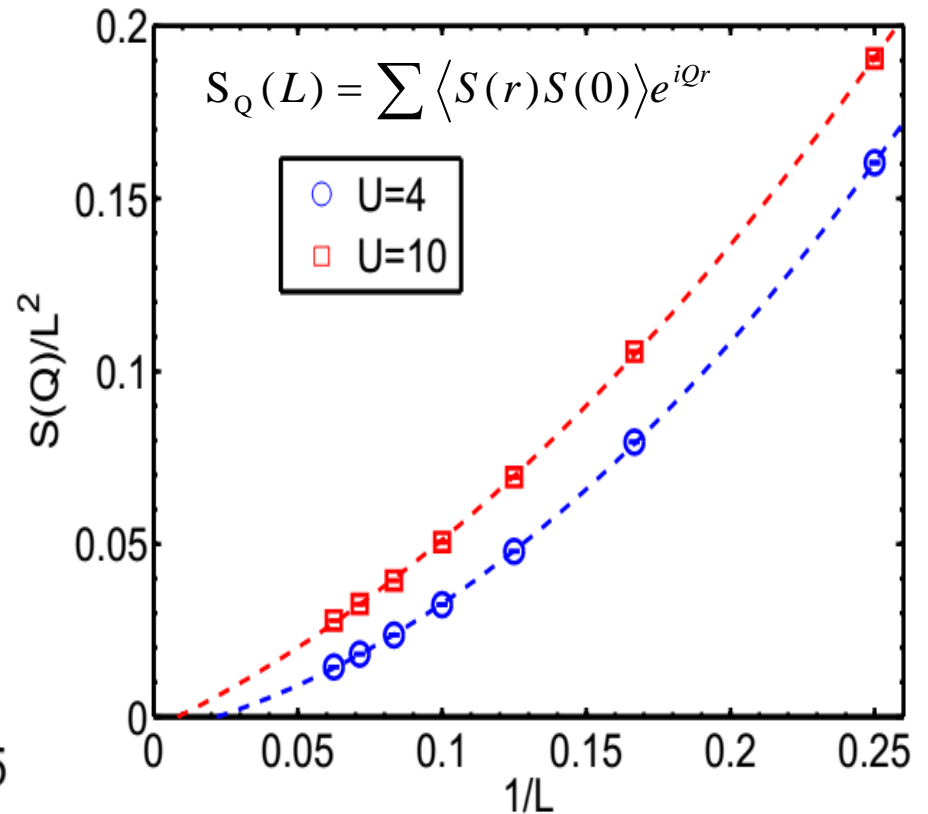
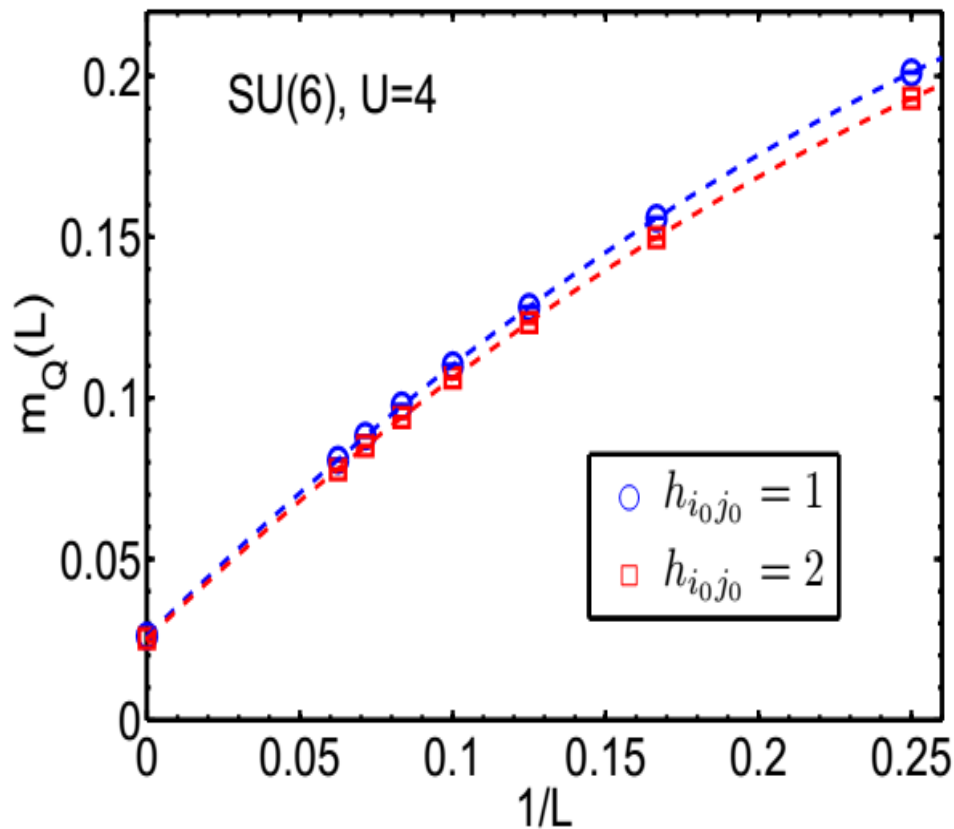
C. Wu, Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 266404(2005).

## QMC with pinning field: sensitive to Neel order

- Local pinning field for Neel order:  $H_{pin,n} = h \{m_{i_0} - m_{j_0}\}$
- Long range order  $m_Q = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} m_Q(L)$

$$m_Q(L) = \frac{1}{L^d} \sum \langle S(r) \rangle e^{iQr}$$

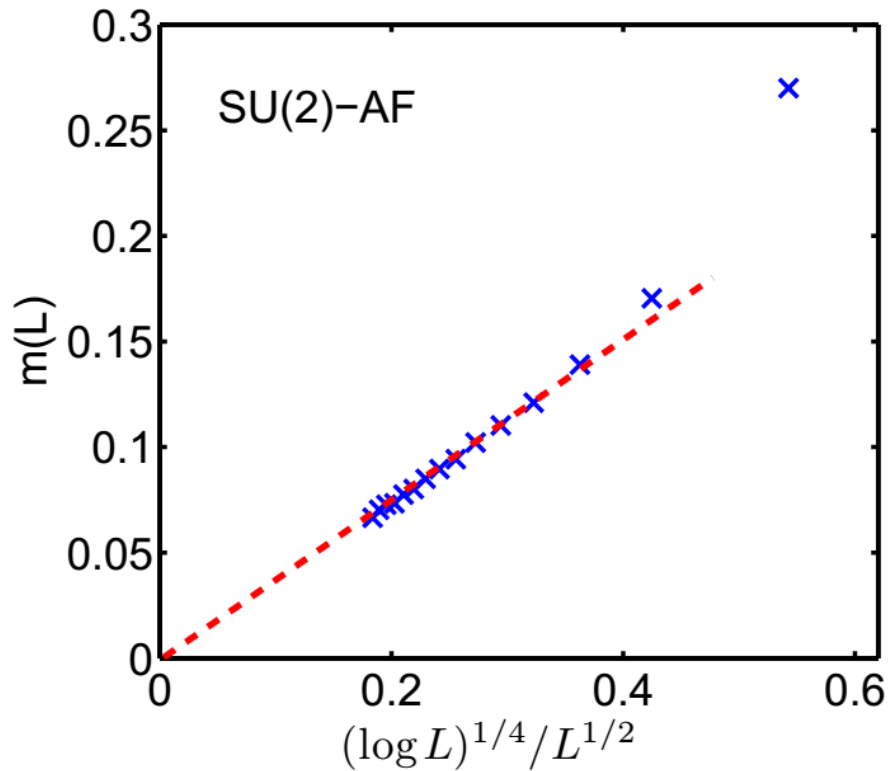
Comparison: structure factor



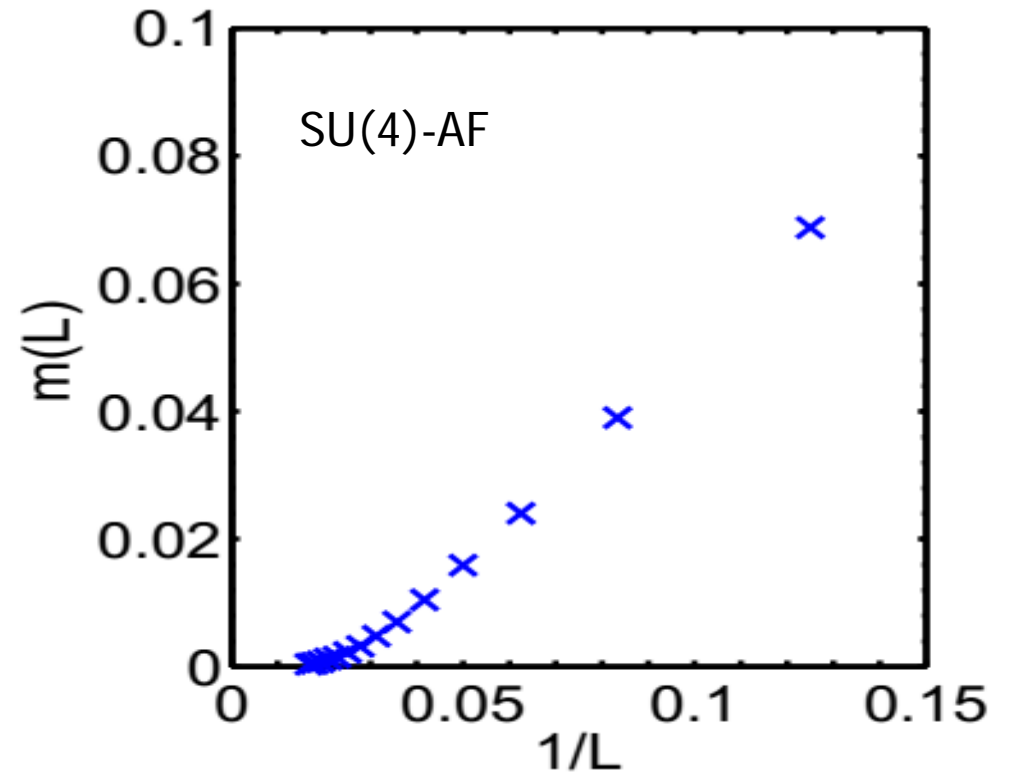
# QMC with pinning field: NOT over-sensitive to Neel order

- 1D Hubbard model:

SU(2): critical behavior

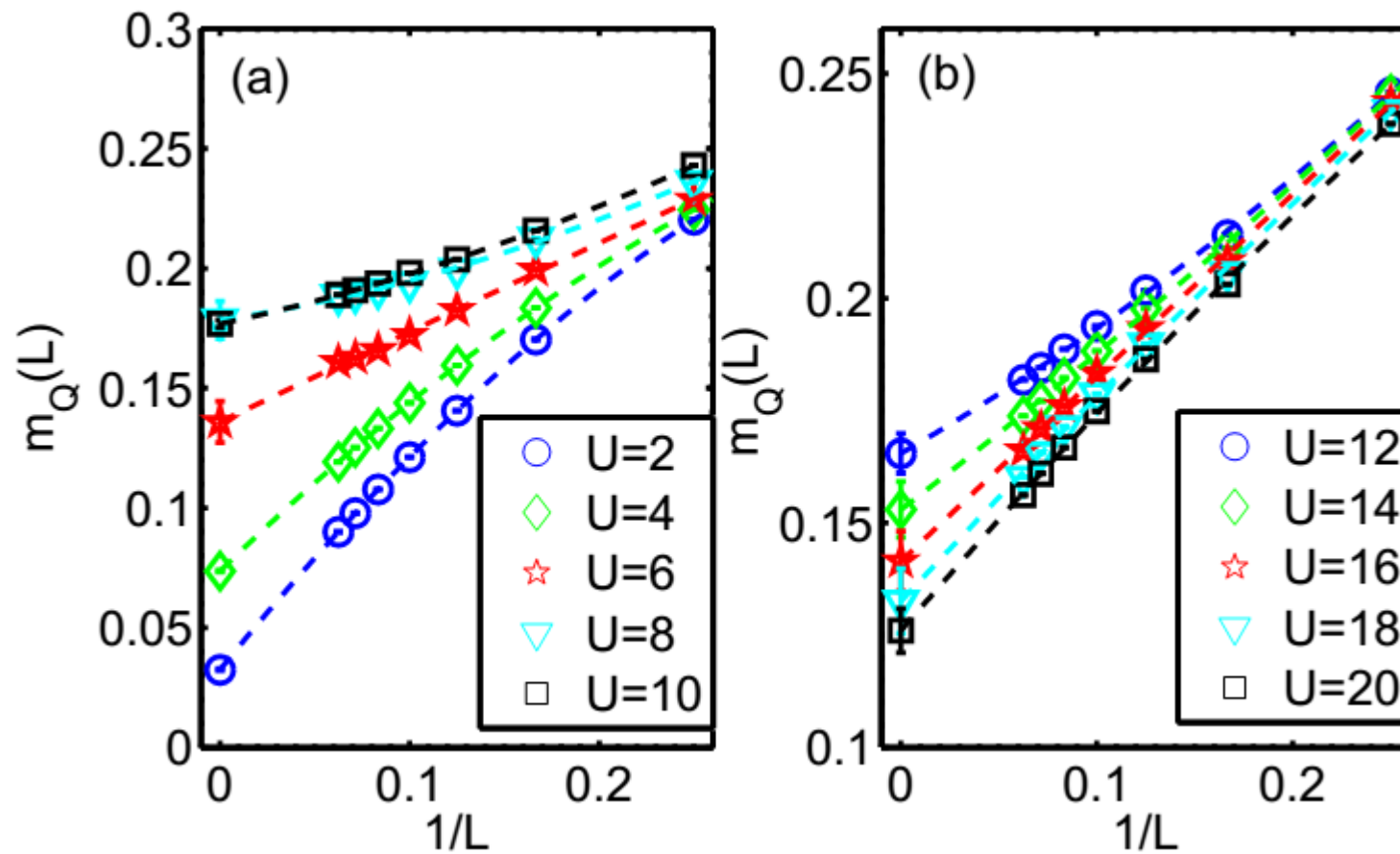


SU(4): no Neel order



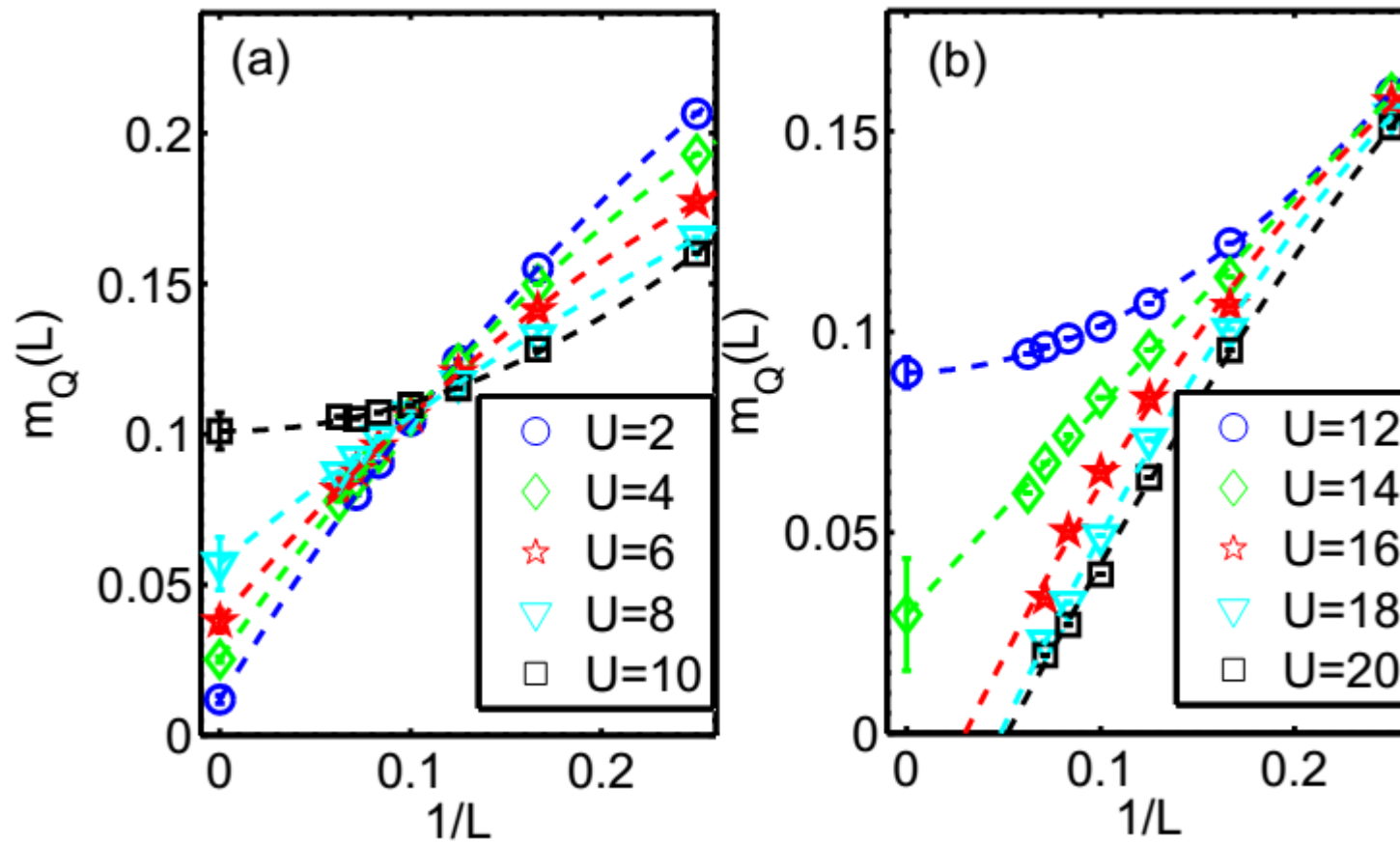
# Finite size scaling: QMC with the pinning field SU(4)

Non-monotonic behavior



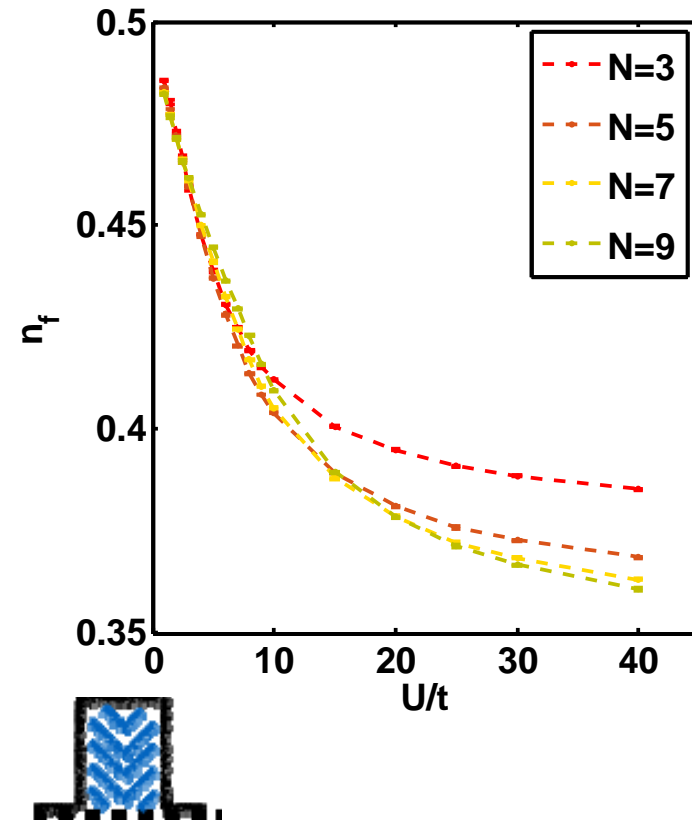
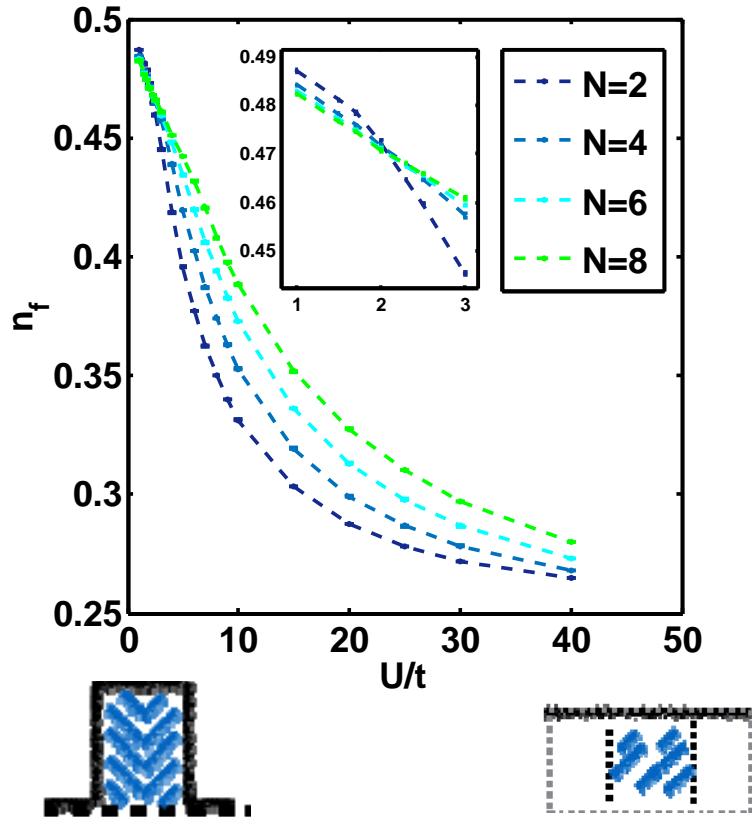
# Finite size scaling: QMC with the pinning field SU(6)

AF even disappear at large U!



density of particles within fermi surface as a probe of effect of U and N

$$n_f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-k_f}^{k_f} n_k$$

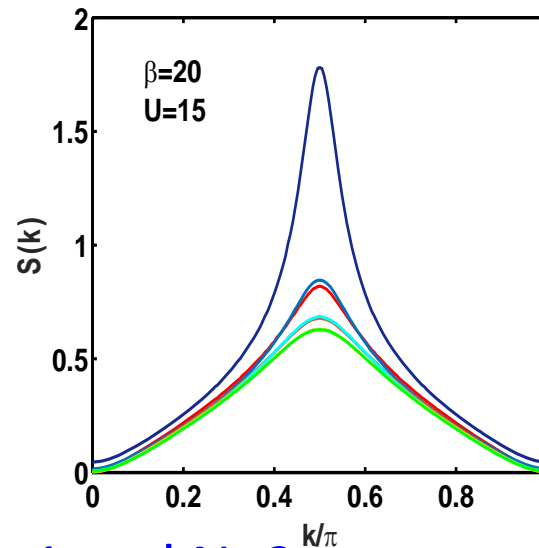
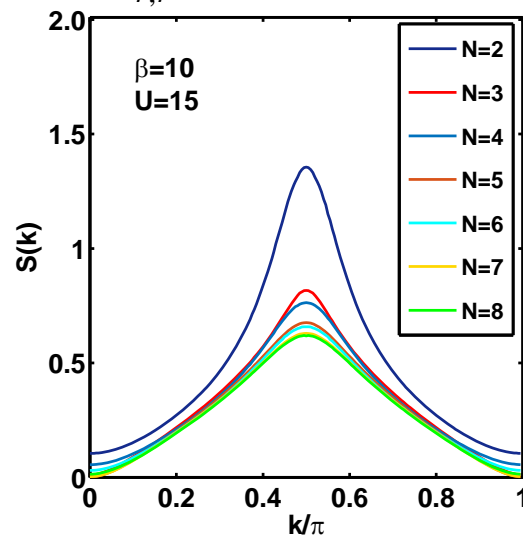


- Same saturated value at infinite U
- all curves cross over from weak coupling to strong coupling at same point

- Different saturated values at infinite U

# Result: Spin Channel

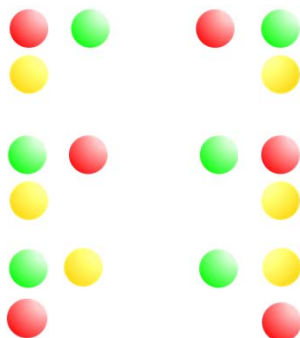
$$S(k) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{r,r'} (n_{\alpha,r} - n_{\beta,r})(n_{\alpha,r'} - n_{\beta,r'}) e^{ik(r-r')}$$



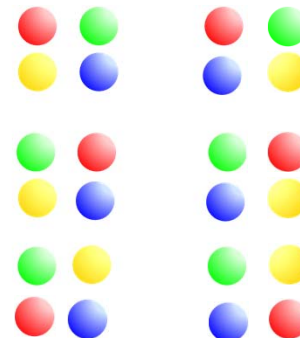
quasi-long range  
AFM correlation

structure factor for  $N=2n-1$  and  $N=2n$  are very similar  
same number of resonating configurations

N=3



N=4

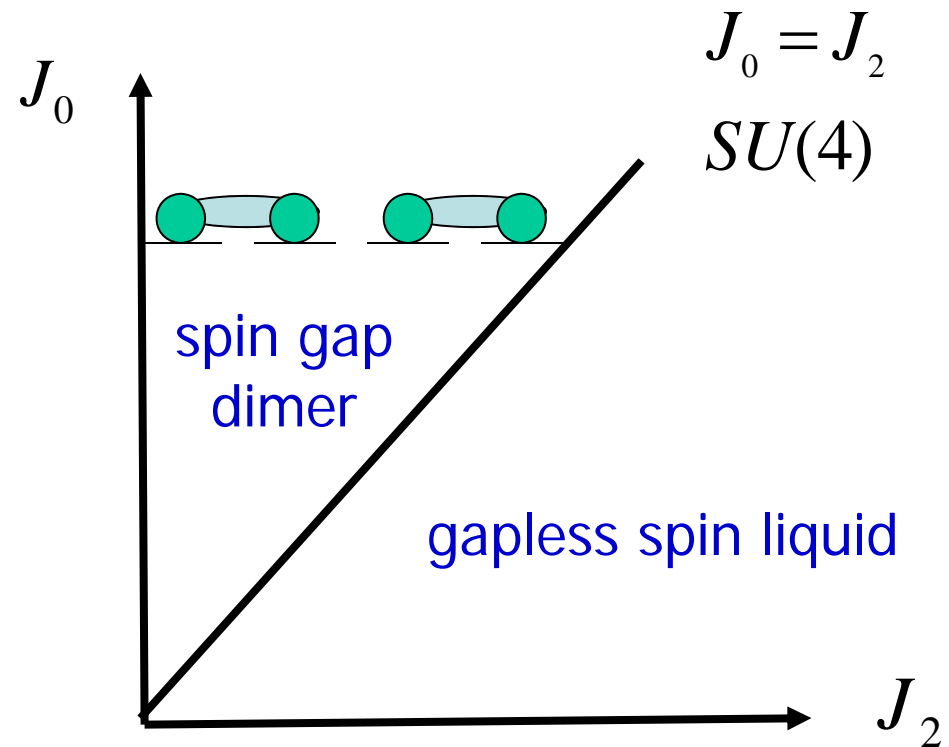


## 1D lattice (one particle per site)

- Phase diagram is obtained from bosonization analysis and confirmed from DMRG calculations.

- Gapped spin dimer phase at  $J_0 > J_2$ ; bond spin singlet.

- Gapless spin liquid phase at  $J_0 \leq J_2$ . Spin correlation exhibits 4-site periodicity of oscillations.





## Unsolved difficulty: 2D phase diagram

- $J_2=0$ , Neel ordering obtained by QMC.

K. Harada et. al. PRL 90, 117203, (2003).

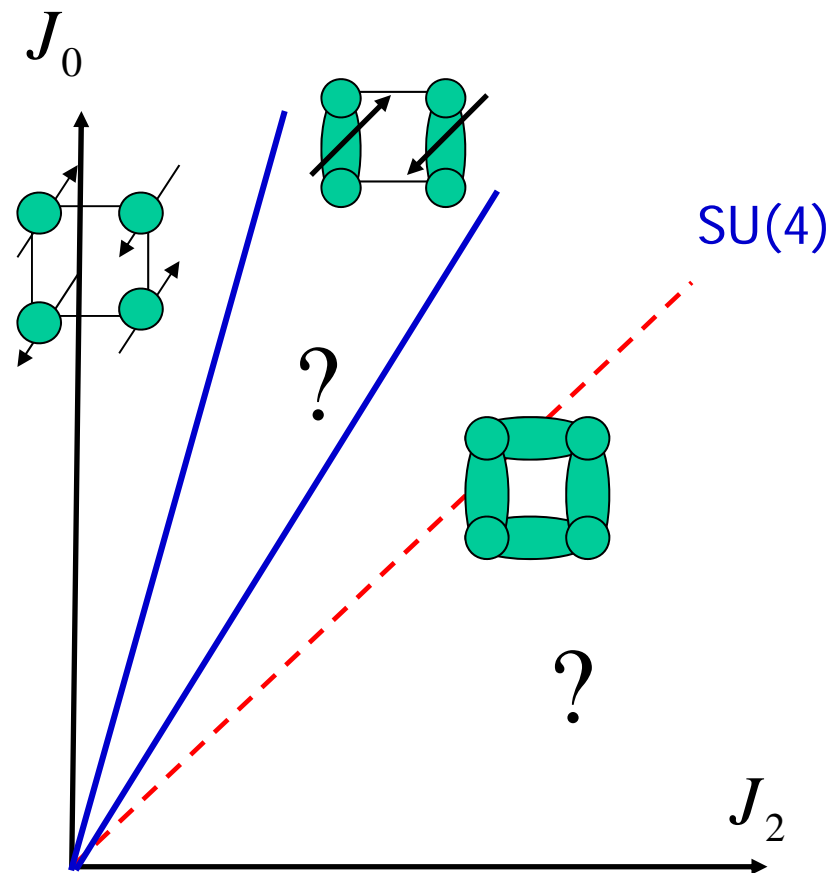
- $J_2>0$ , no conclusive results!  
Difficult both analytically and numerically.

2D Plaquette ordering at the SU(4) point?

Exact diagonalization on a  $4 \times 4$  lattice

Bossche et. al., Eur. Phys. J. B 17, 367 (2000).

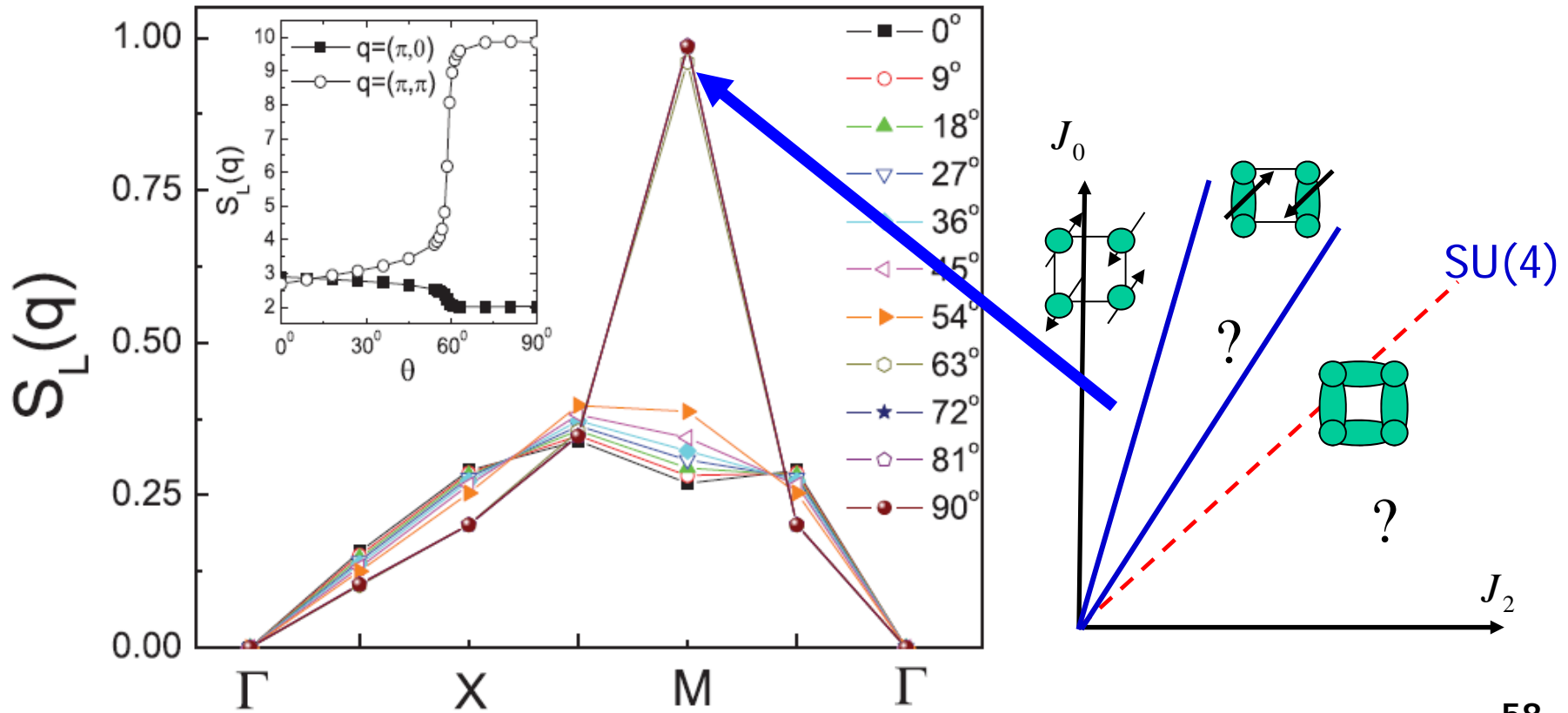
- Phase transitions as  $J_0/J_2$ ?  
Dimer phases? Singlet or magnetic dimers?



# 4x4 Exact diag. (I): Neel correlation

- Spin structure form factor peaks at  $(\pi, \pi)$  at  $\theta > 60^\circ$ , indicating strong Neel correlation.

$$S_L(q) \sim \sum_{1 \leq a < b \leq 5} \sum_{i,j} \langle L_{ab}(i) L_{ab}(j) \rangle e^{i\vec{q} \cdot (\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j)}$$



## 4x4 Exact Diag. (II): Dimer correlation

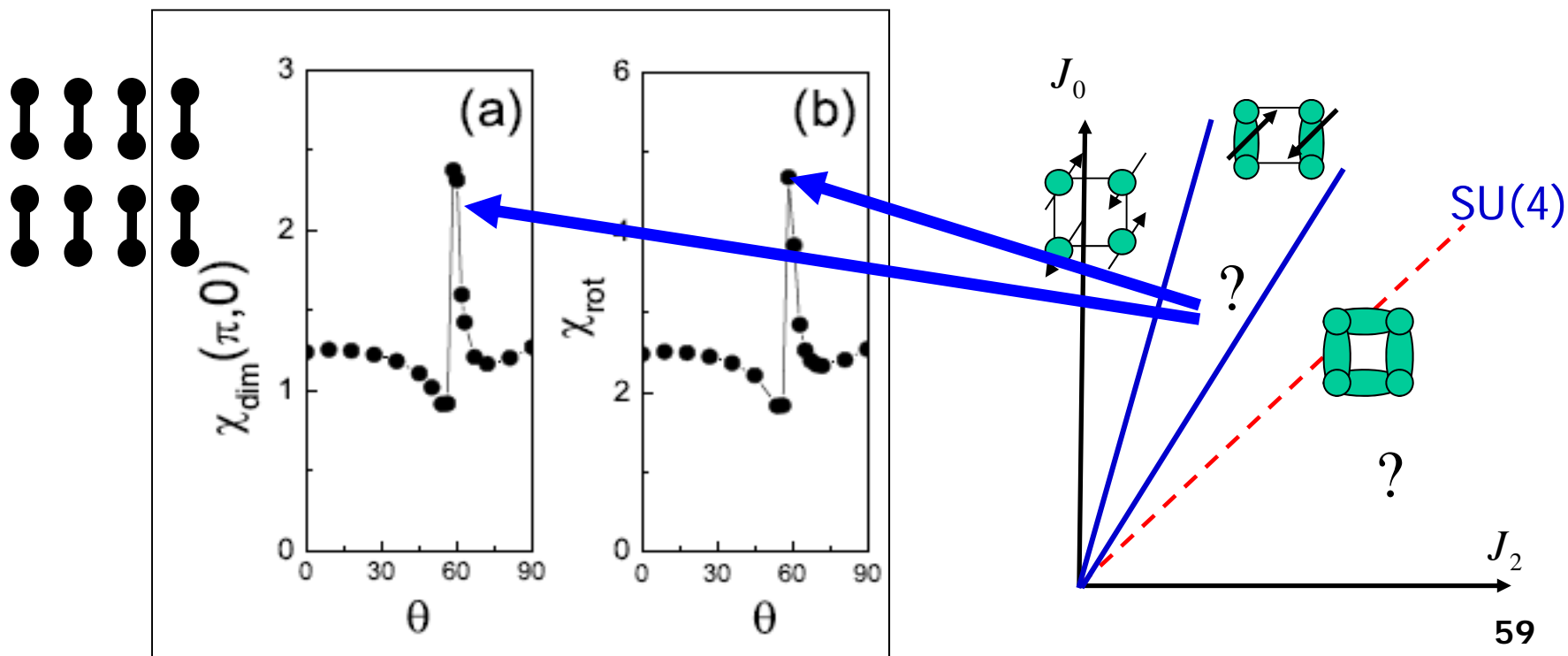
- Susceptibility:  $H(\delta) = H_{exc} + \delta^* H_{perp}$      $E(\delta) = E(0) - \frac{1}{2} \chi \delta^2$ ,

- a) Break translational symm:

$$H_{pert} = \sum_i \cos(\vec{Q} \cdot \vec{r}_i) H_{ex}(i, i+x),$$

- b) Break rotational symm:

$$H_{pert} = \sum_i H_{ex}(i, i+x) - H_{ex}(i, i+y)$$

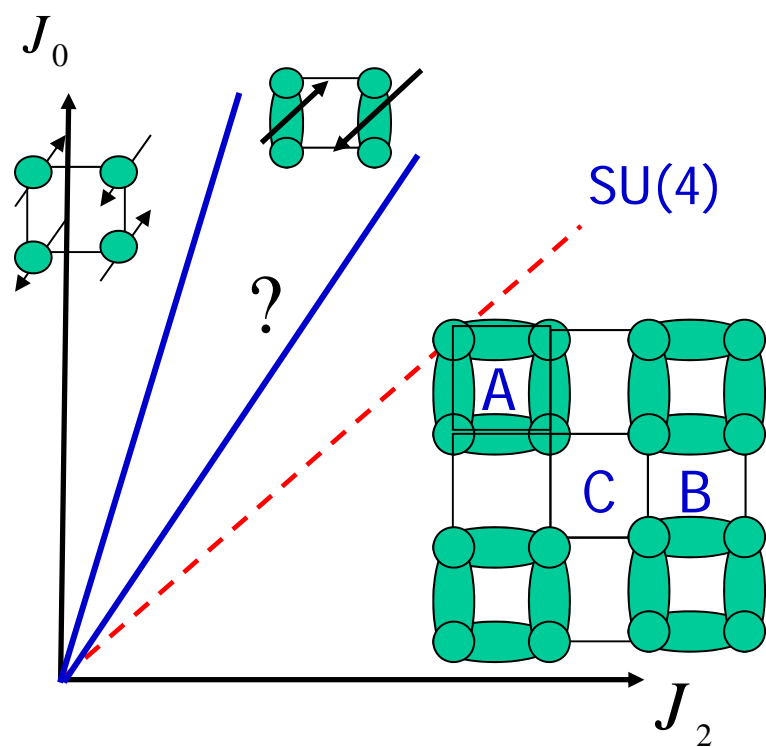


# 4x4 Exact Diag. (III): Plaquette formation?

- Local Casimir; analogy to total spin of SU(2).

$$C(r) \sim \left\langle \sum_{1 \leq a < b \leq 5} \left\{ \sum_{i \in \text{plaquette } r} L_{ab}(i) \right\}^2 \right\rangle$$

$C(r) \rightarrow 0$ : singlet



Open boundary condition

