

# Simulating excitation spectra with PEPS

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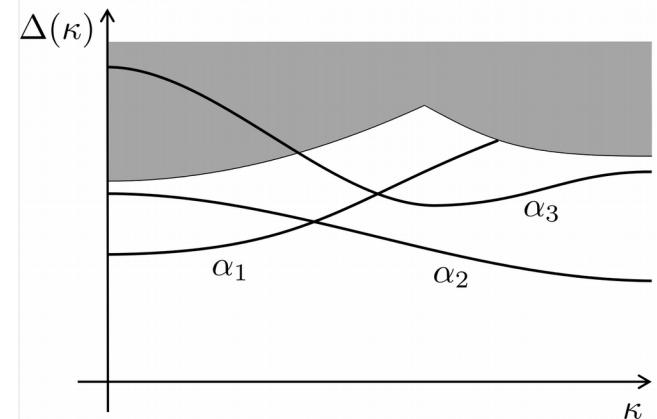
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In strongly-correlated systems, the quasiparticles are typically not connected to a free limit

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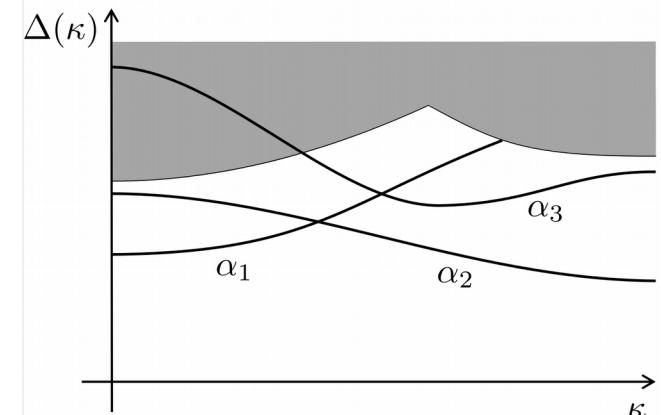


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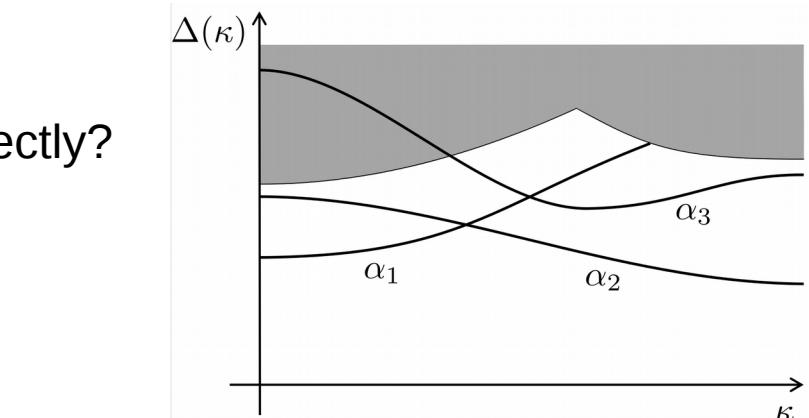
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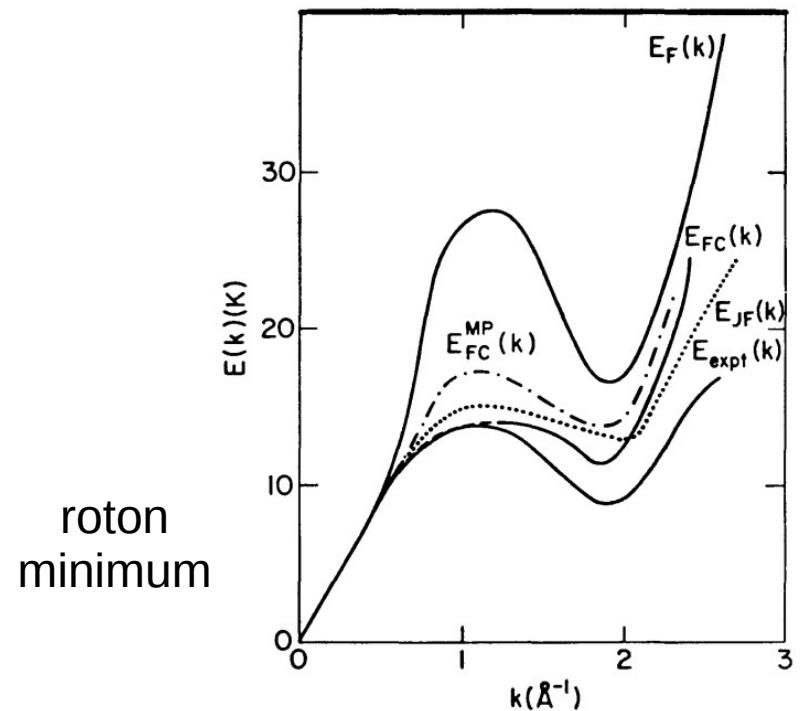
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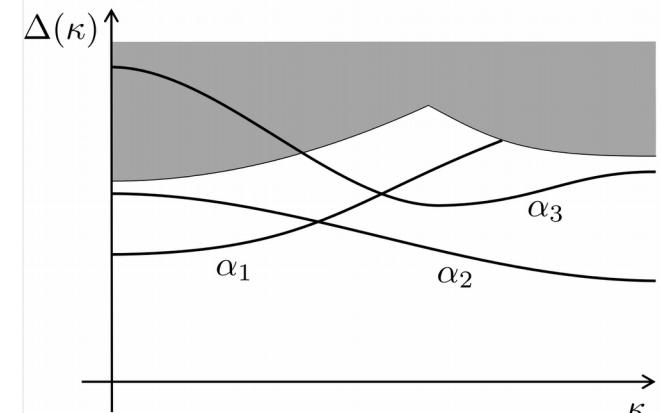


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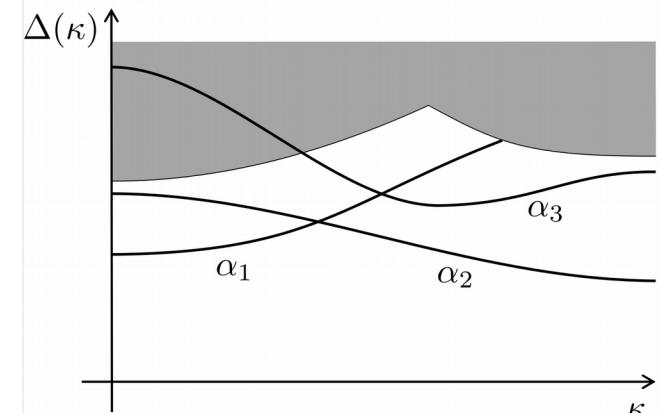
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- correlations in the ground state are exploited to make a dressed quasiparticle
- systematic refining of variational ansatz

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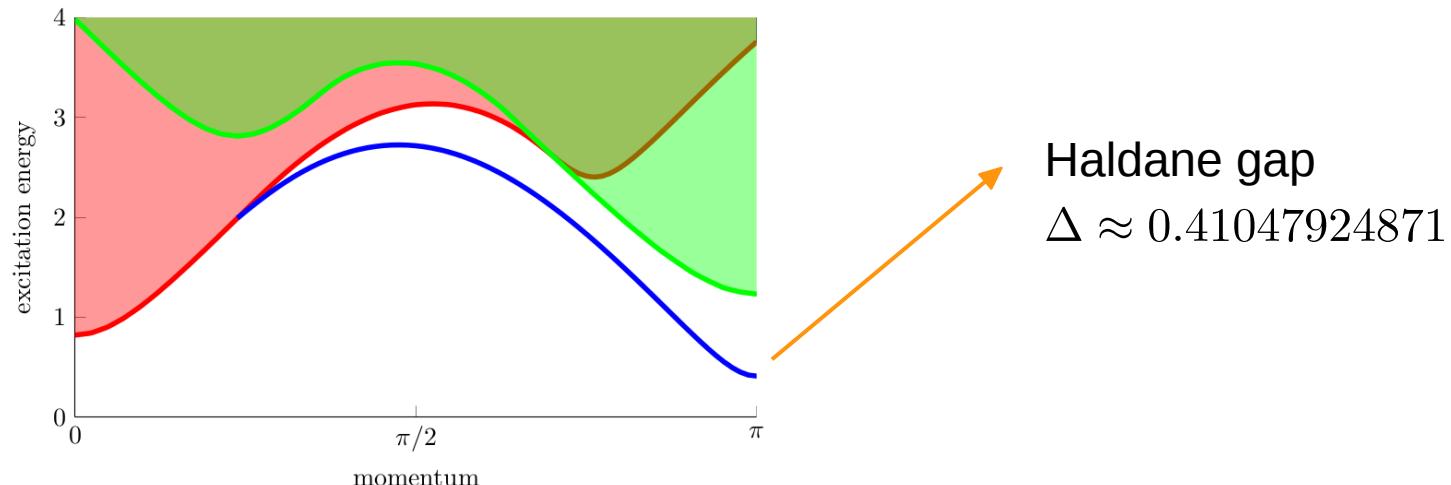
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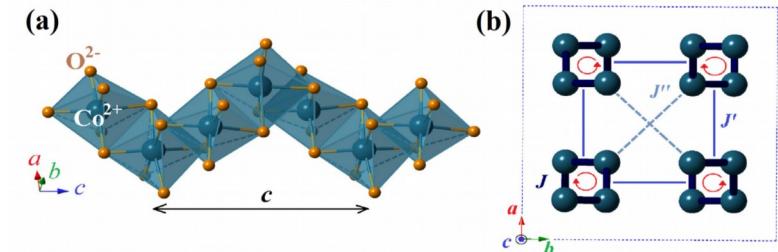
→ example: spin-1 Heisenberg chain



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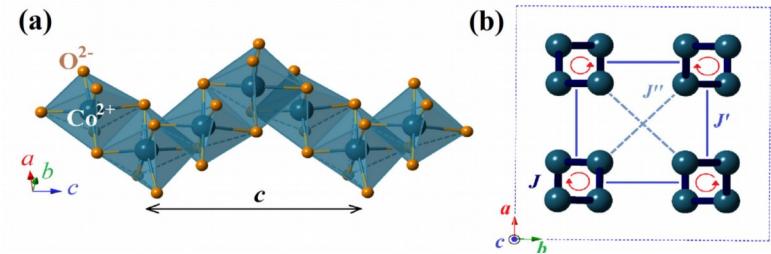
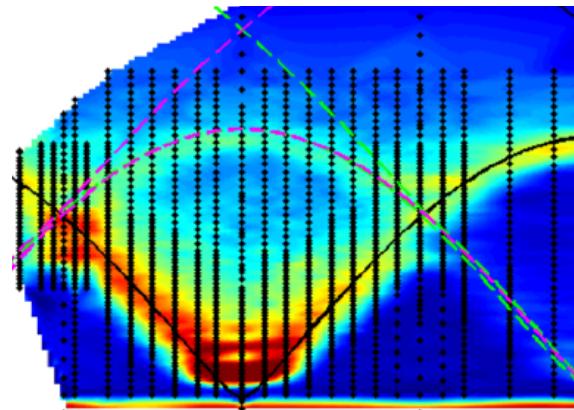
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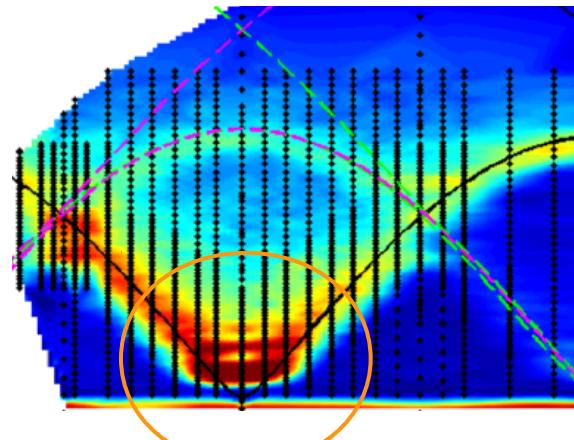


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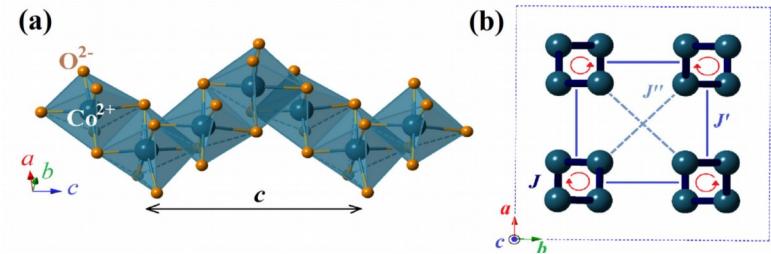
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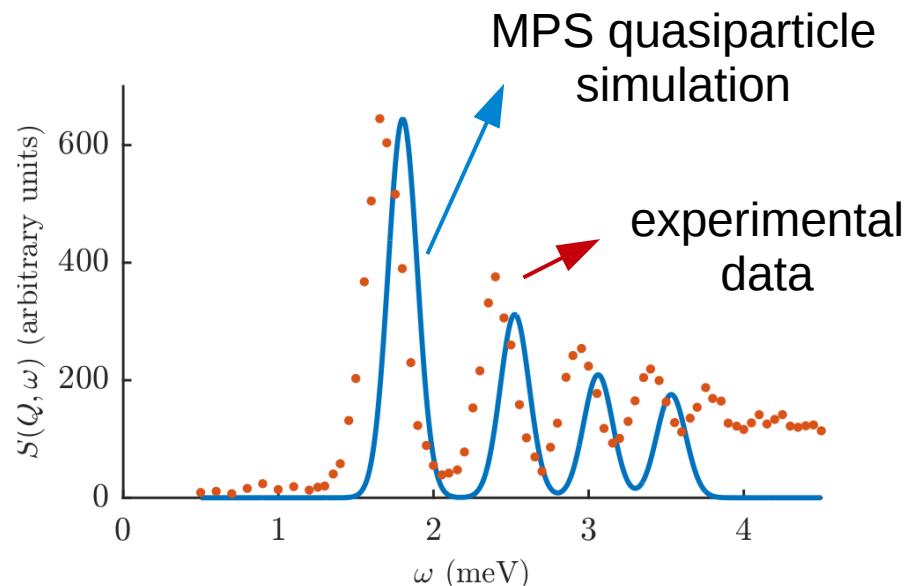
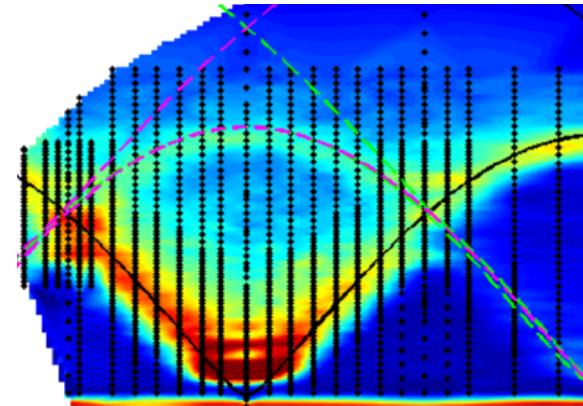


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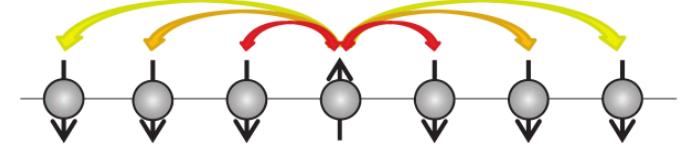


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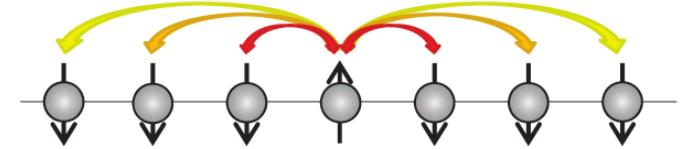
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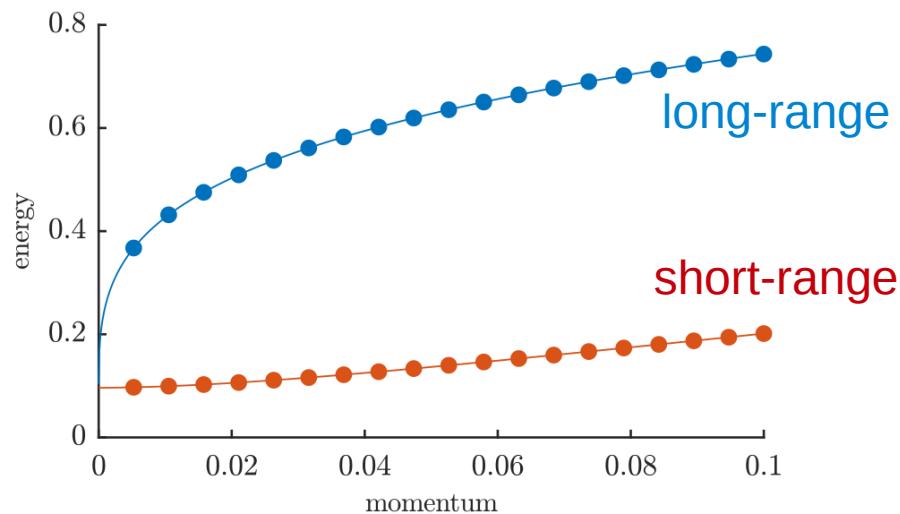
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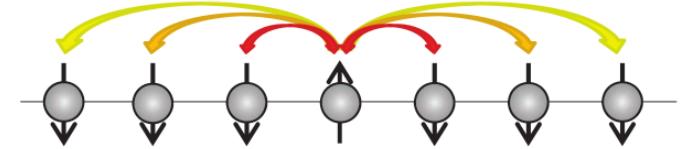
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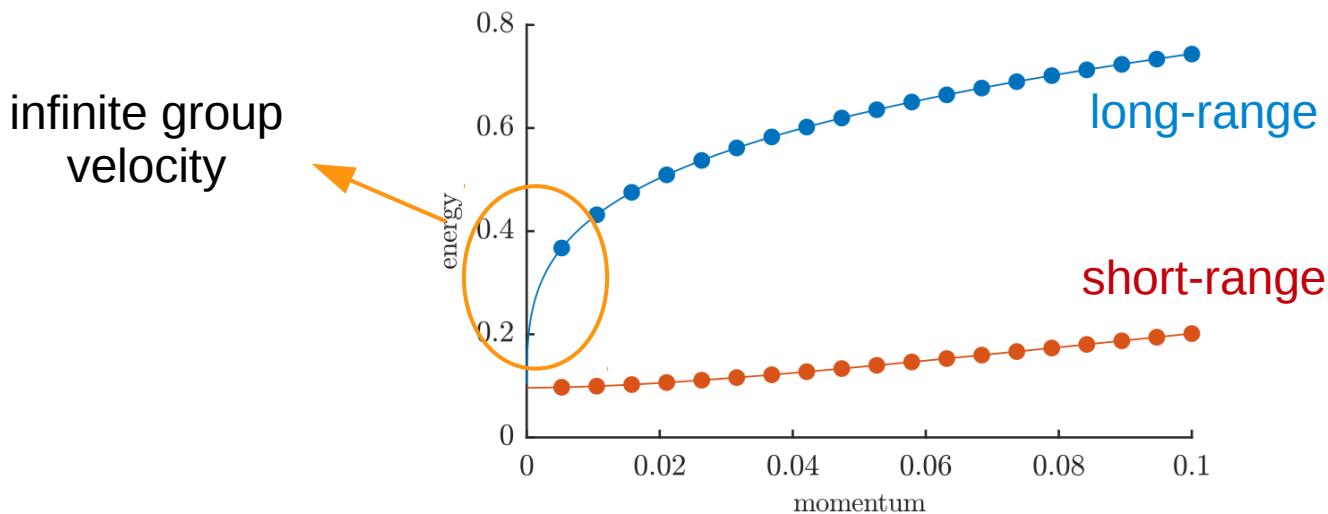
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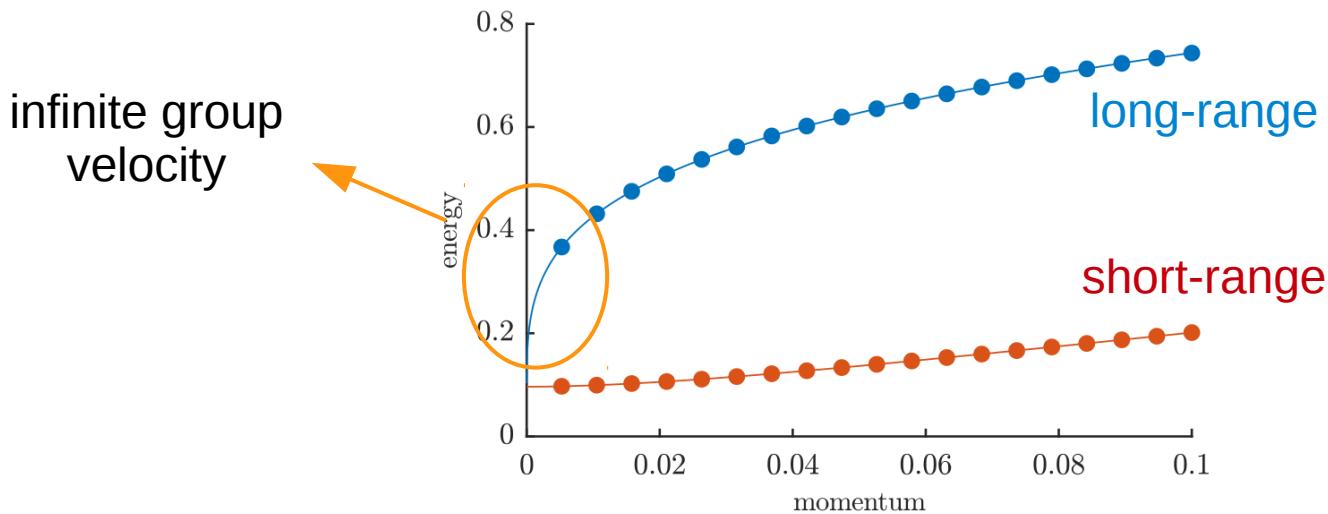
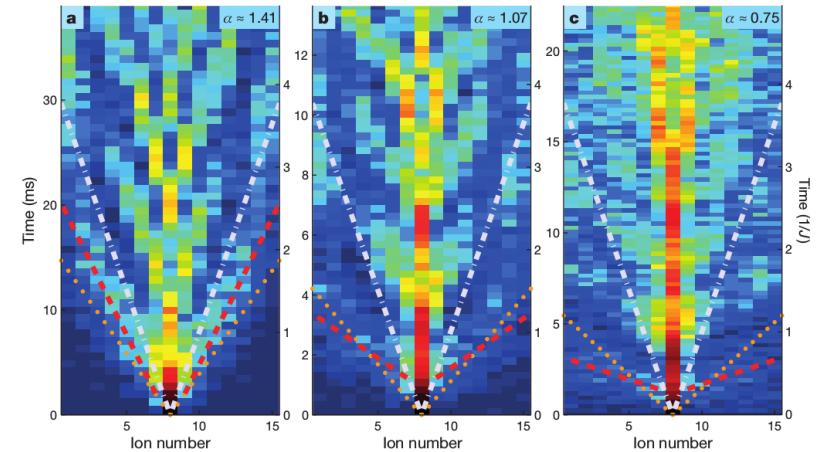


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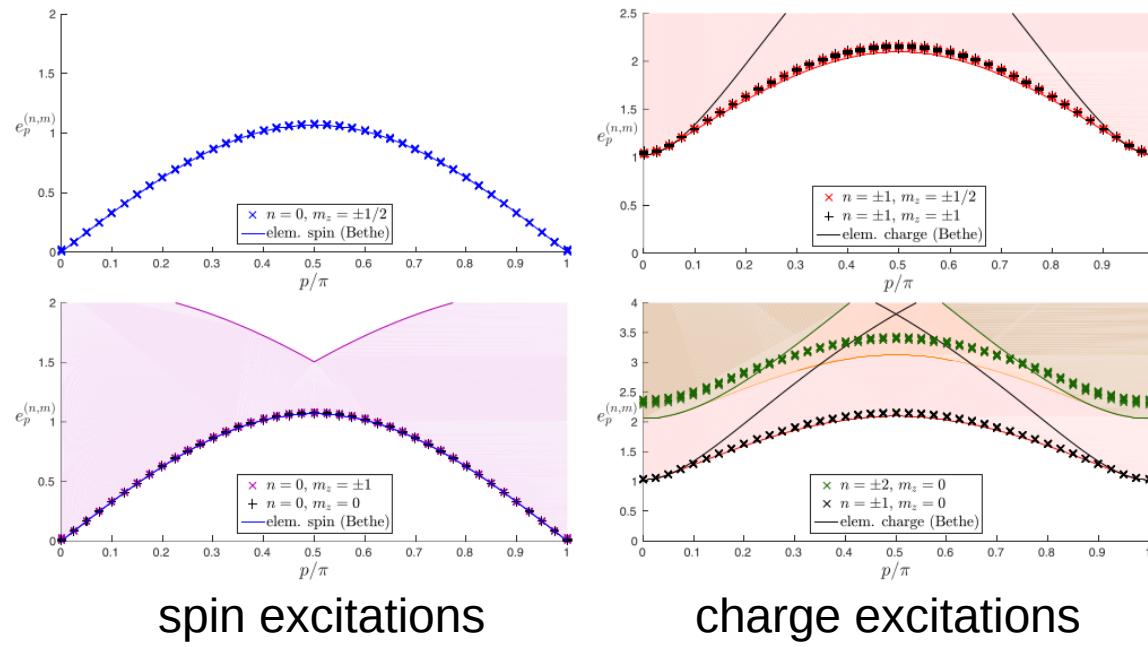
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Stationary scattering theory

- find two-particle wavefunctions variationally
- the asymptotic part of the wavefunction contains the two-particle S matrix

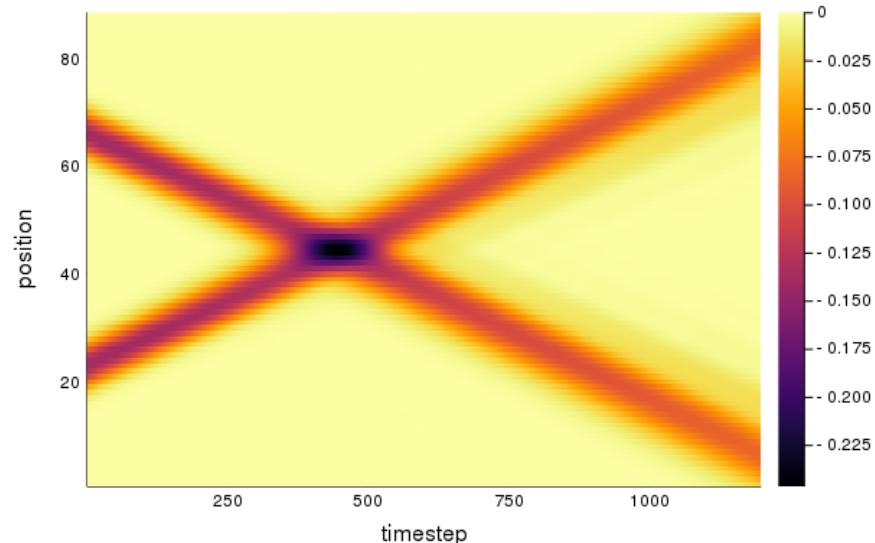
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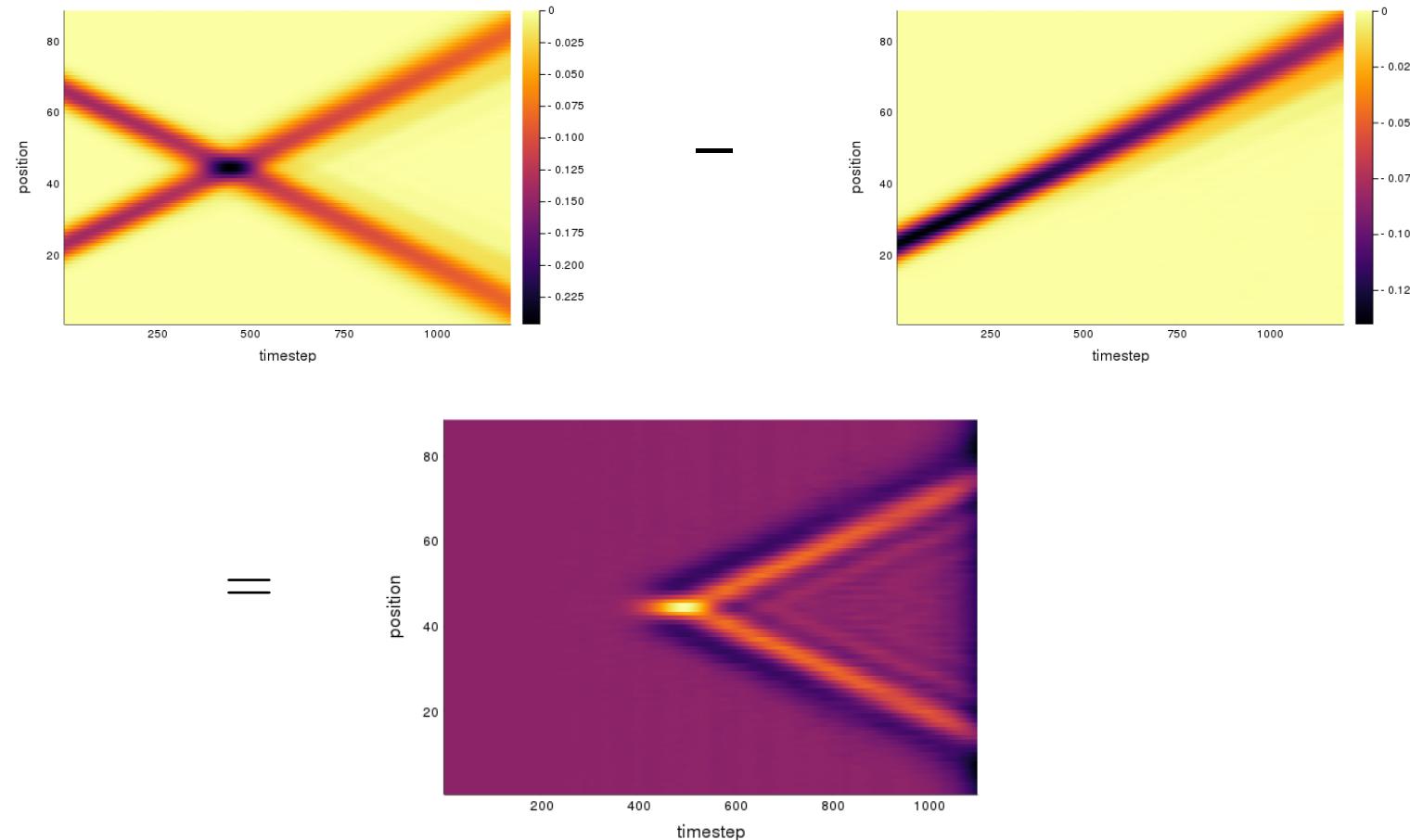


→ determine scattering phase shift?

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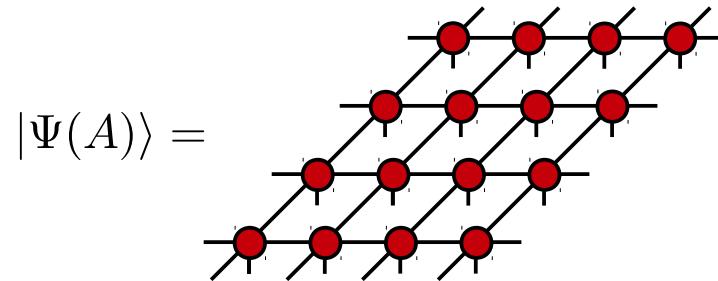
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BUT: numerical manipulations are a lot harder

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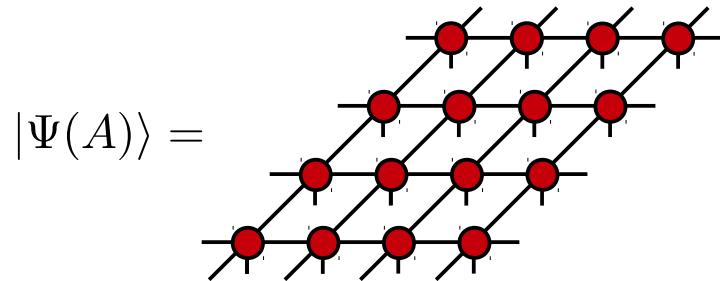
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Different algorithms

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→ full update

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→ variational optimization

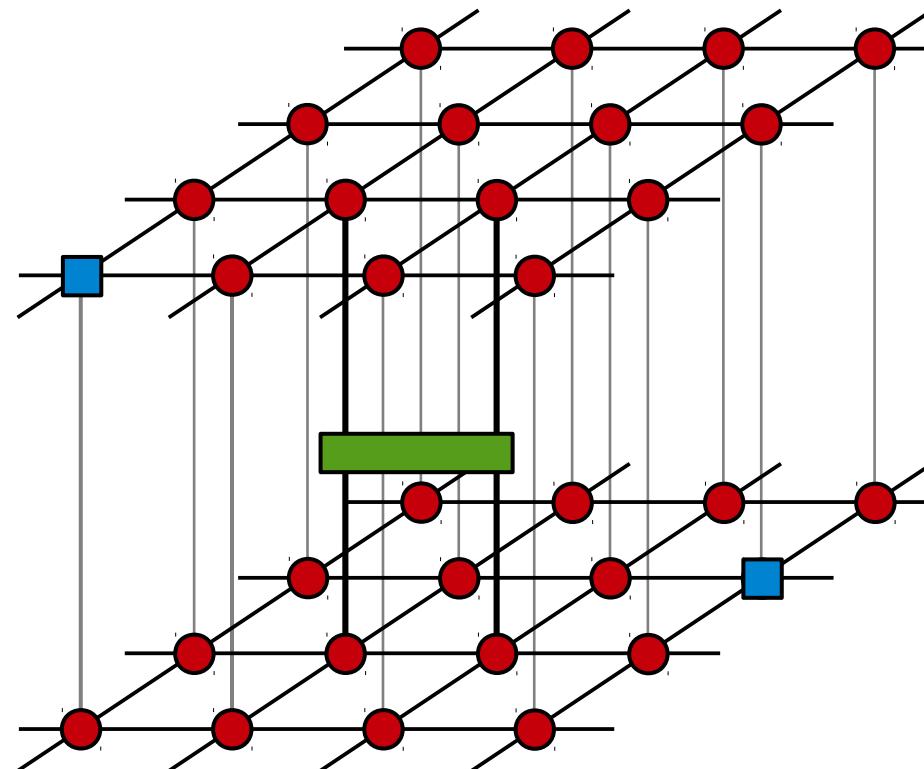
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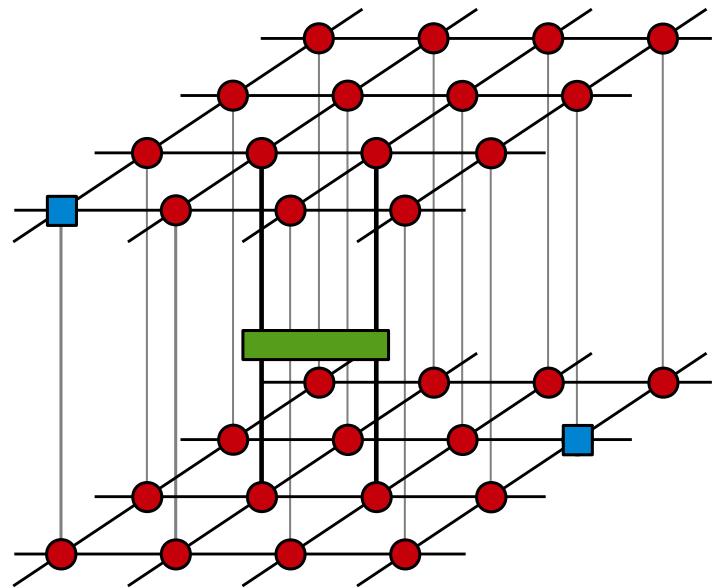
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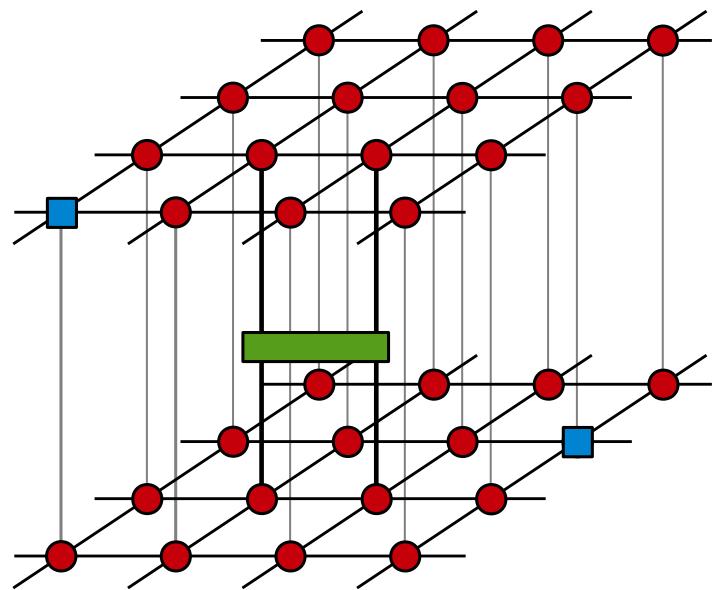
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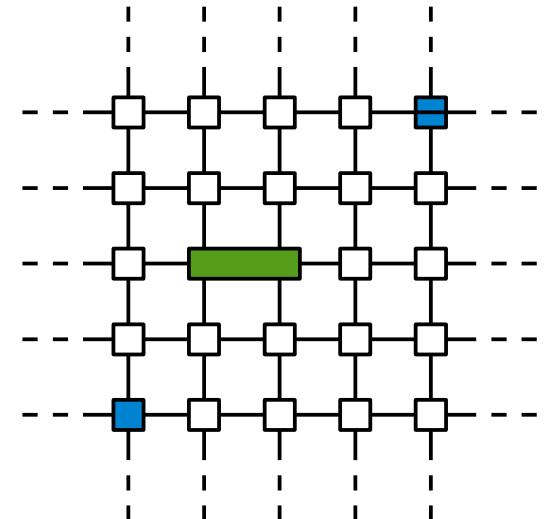


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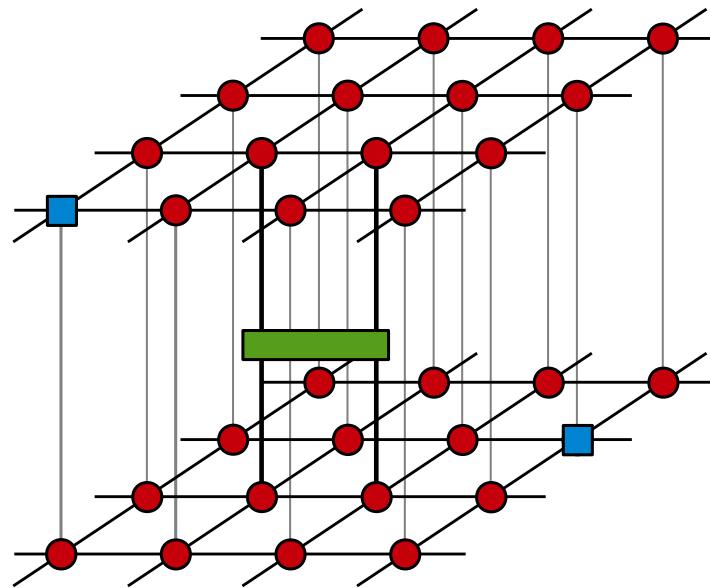


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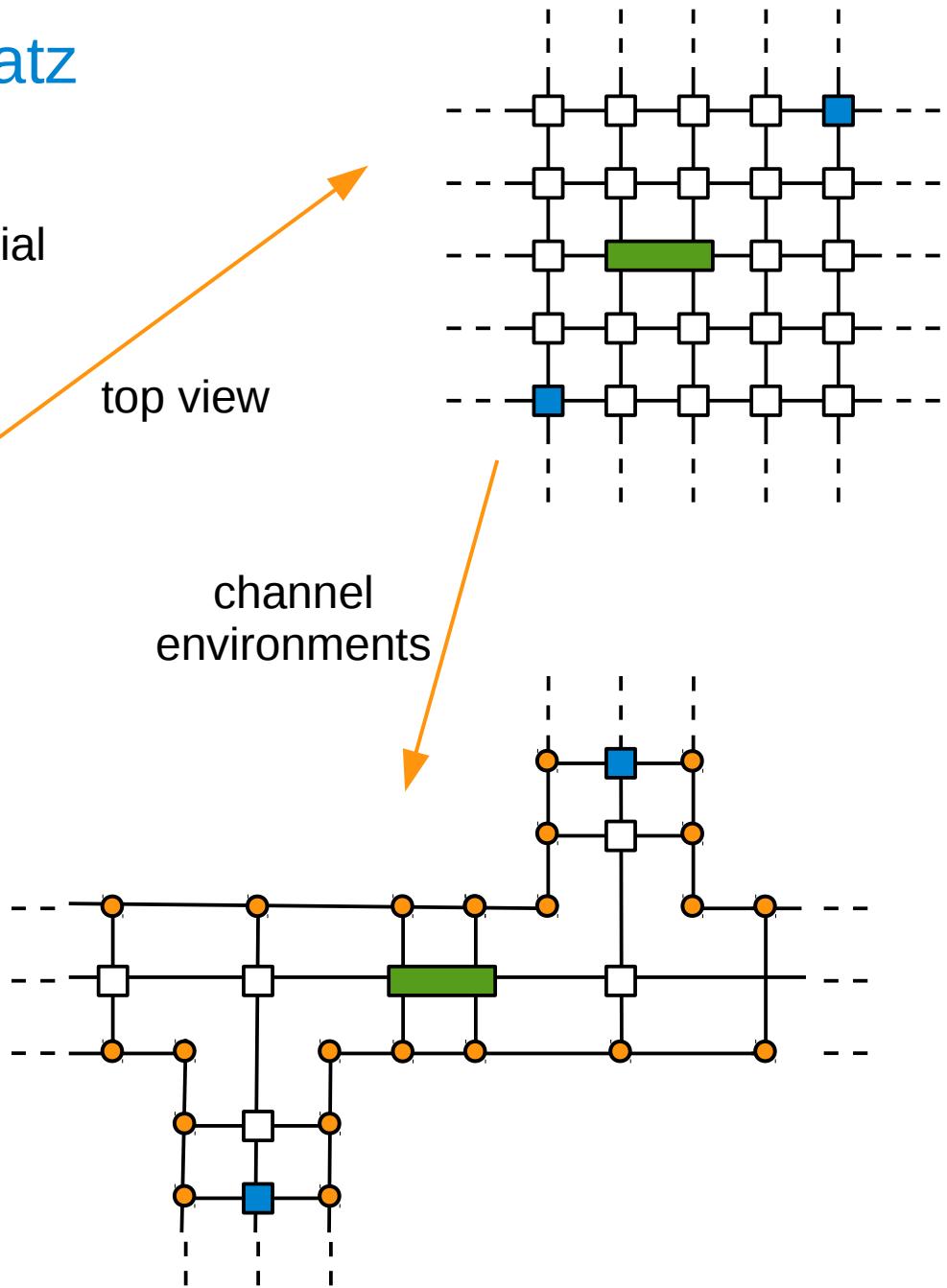
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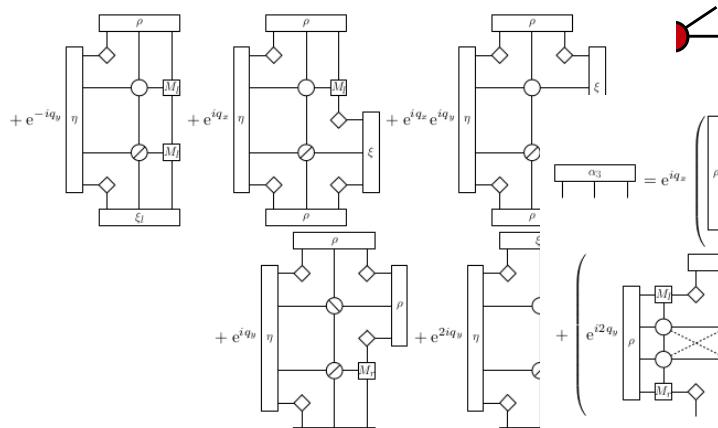
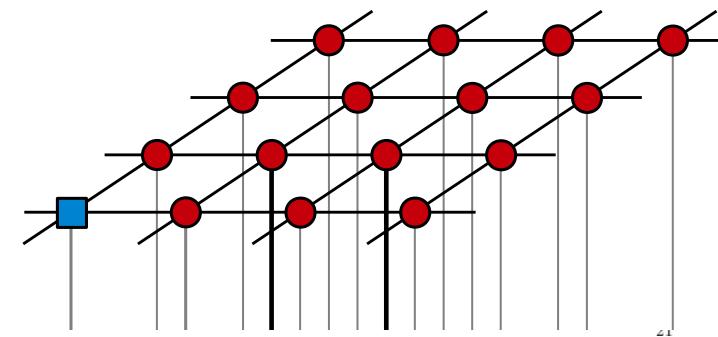
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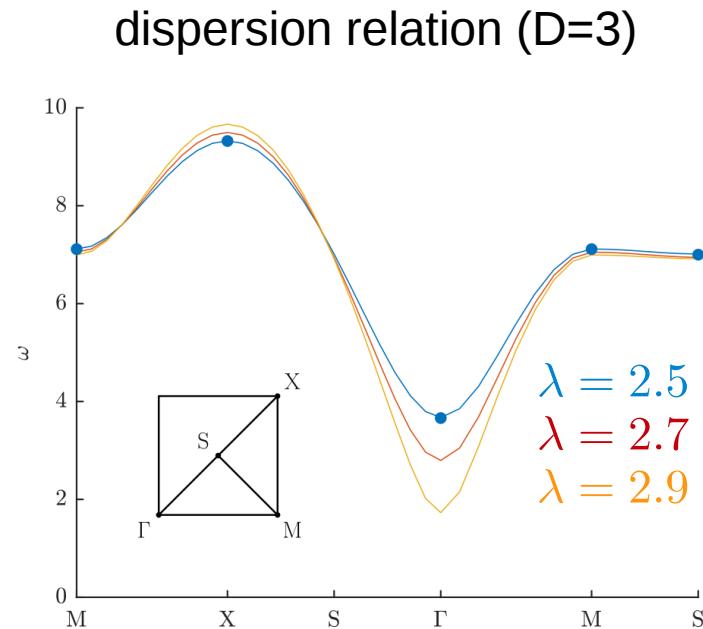
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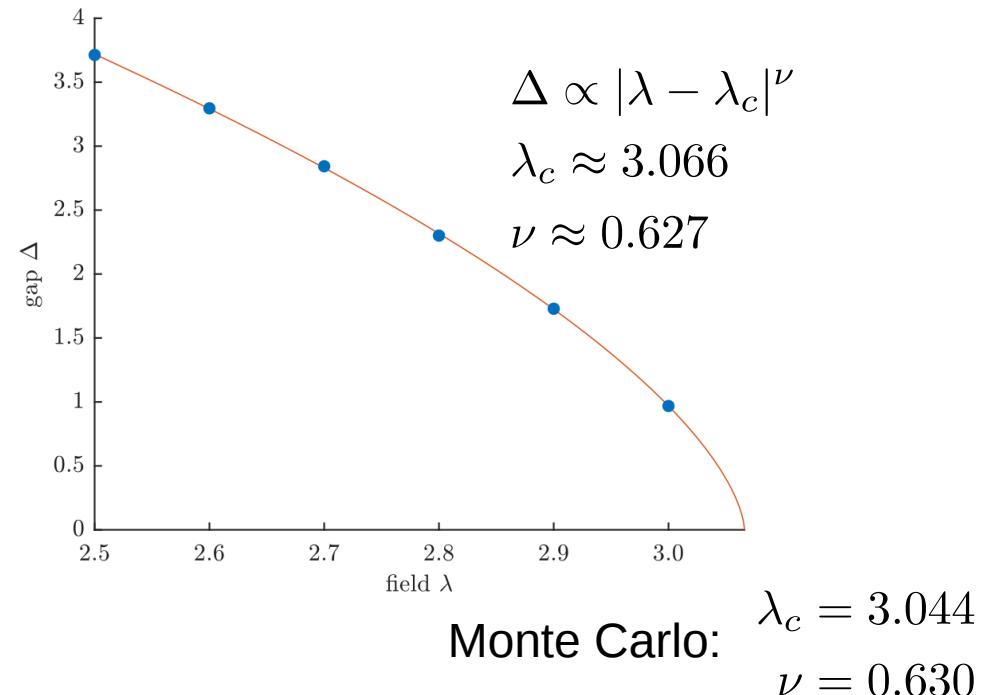
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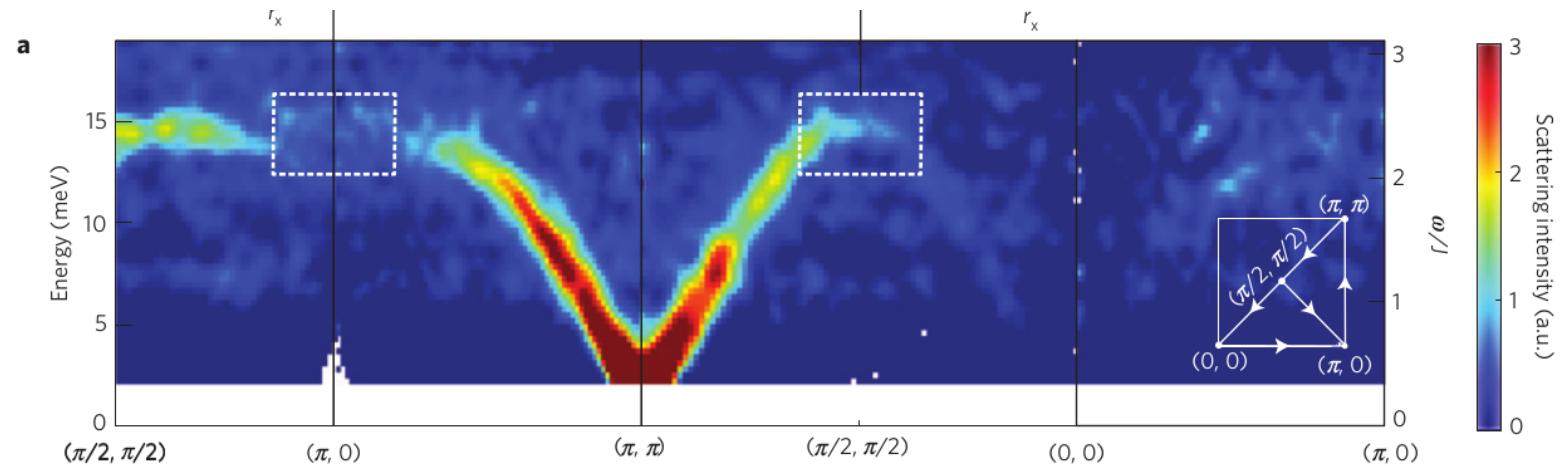
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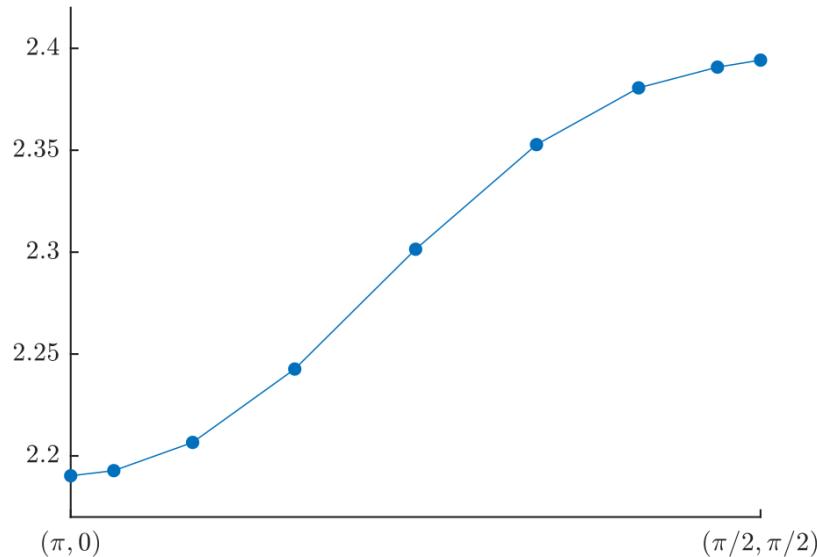


Dalla Piazza, et. al., Nature Physics 11, 62 (2015)

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	$(\pi/2, \pi/2)$	$(\pi, 0)$
Quantum Monte Carlo	2.4085	2.13
Perturbation theory	2.375	2.2
Exact diagonalization	2.4144	2.2281
Two-dimensional DMRG	2.40	2.06-2.07
PEPS $D = 4$	2.39	2.19

LV, Haegeman, Verstraete, arXiv: 1809.06747 (2018)

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- many-particle physics
- quasiparticles at finite temperature

Thank you!