

Phase diagram of the Hubbard-Honeycomb lattice.

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➤ Models and methods.

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→ Alternative methods to compute staggered moments.

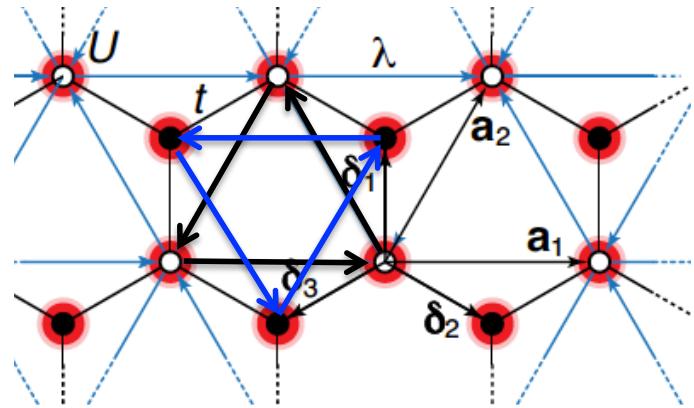
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Hubbard

SU(2) spin



Sublattice symmetry



Time reversal



Spin-Orbit

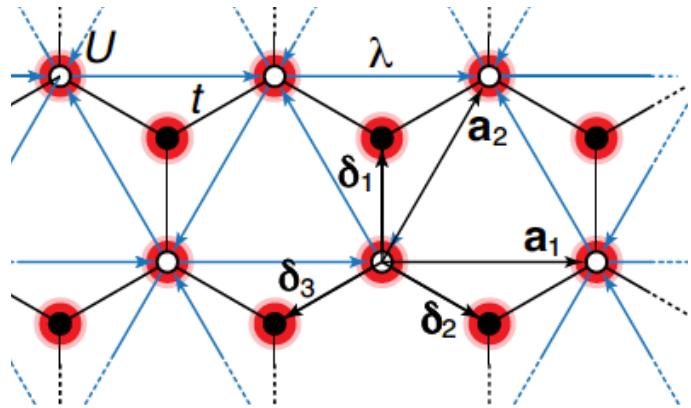
SU(2) spin \rightarrow U(1)

Broken sublattice symmetry \rightarrow
Opens a mass gap.

Time reversal



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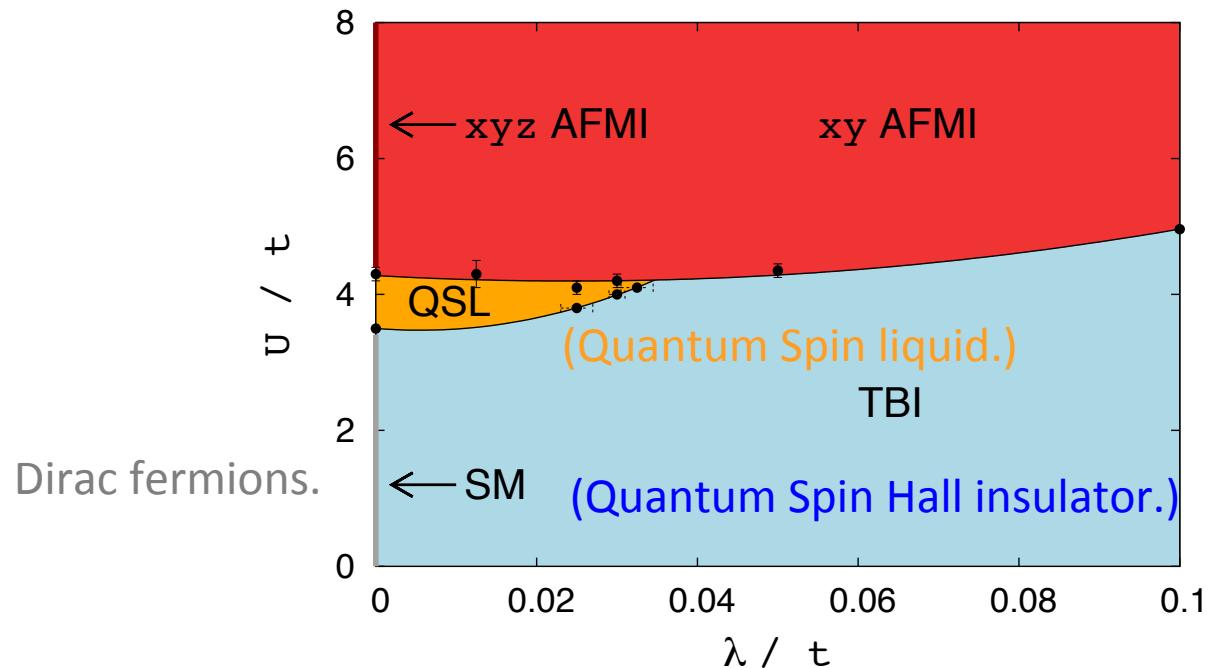
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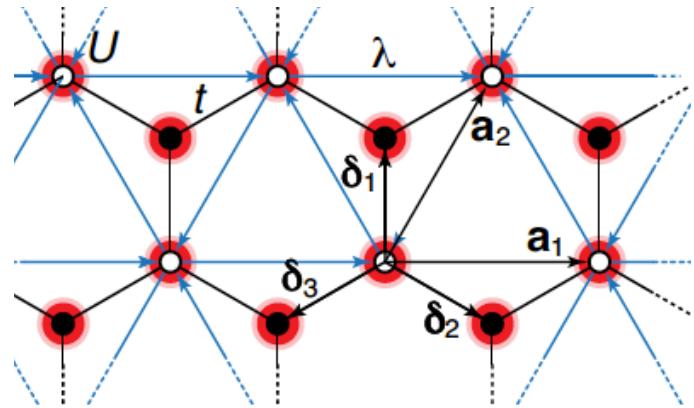
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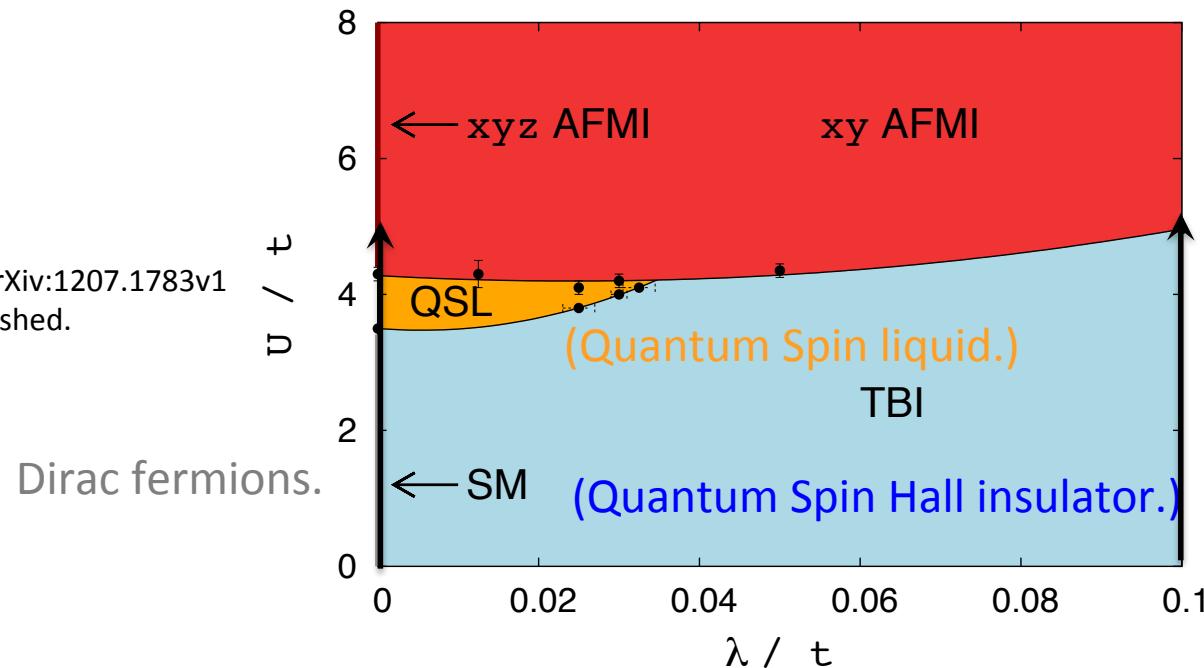
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S. Sorella et al. arXiv:1207.1783v1
B. Clark, unpublished.



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through correlated
topological insulators.

At half-band filling particle-hole symmetry allows to carry out sign free QMC simulations.

Blankenbecler, Sugar, Scalapino (BSS) auxiliary field algorithm, 1981

→ Ground state and excitations. (GS up to 36x36 Sorella et al. arXiv:1207.1783v1)

$$\langle O \rangle_0 = \lim_{\Theta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle \psi_T | e^{-\Theta H/2} O e^{-\Theta H/2} | \psi_T \rangle}{\langle \psi_T | e^{-\Theta H} | \psi_T \rangle} \quad \text{provided that} \quad \langle \psi_T | \psi_0 \rangle \neq 0$$

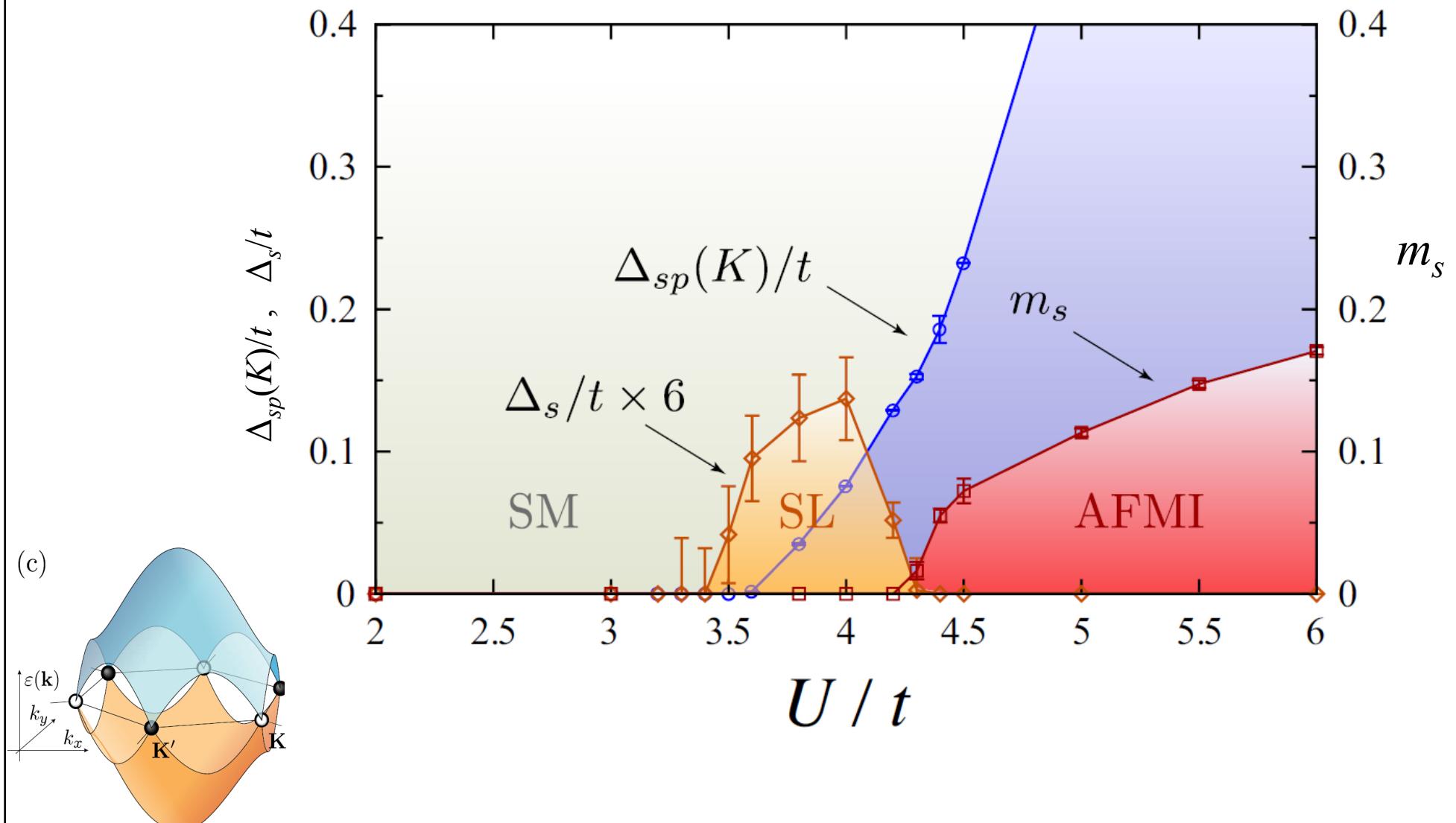
$$\langle \psi_T | e^{-\Theta H} | \psi_T \rangle \propto \int D\{\Phi(i, \tau)\} e^{-S(\{\Phi(i, \tau)\})}$$

Trotter, Hubbard-Stratonovich MC importance sampling One body problem in external field.

$$S(\{\Phi(i, \tau)\}) = \int_0^\Theta d\tau \sum_i \frac{\Phi^2(i, \tau)}{2U} - \ln \langle \psi_T | T \exp \left(- \int_0^\Theta d\tau H_{t=SO} - i \sum_i \Phi(i, \tau) (c_i^\dagger c_i - 1) \right) | \psi_T \rangle$$

- The action is real! → positive weights ($U(1)$ spin symmetry, ph and time reversal symmetry)
- CPU time: $V^3 \Theta \rightarrow \Theta$ extrapolation is affordable.

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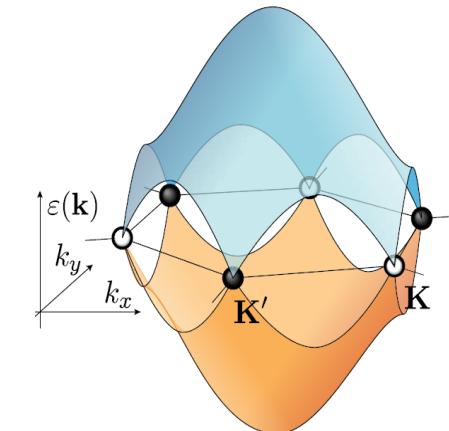
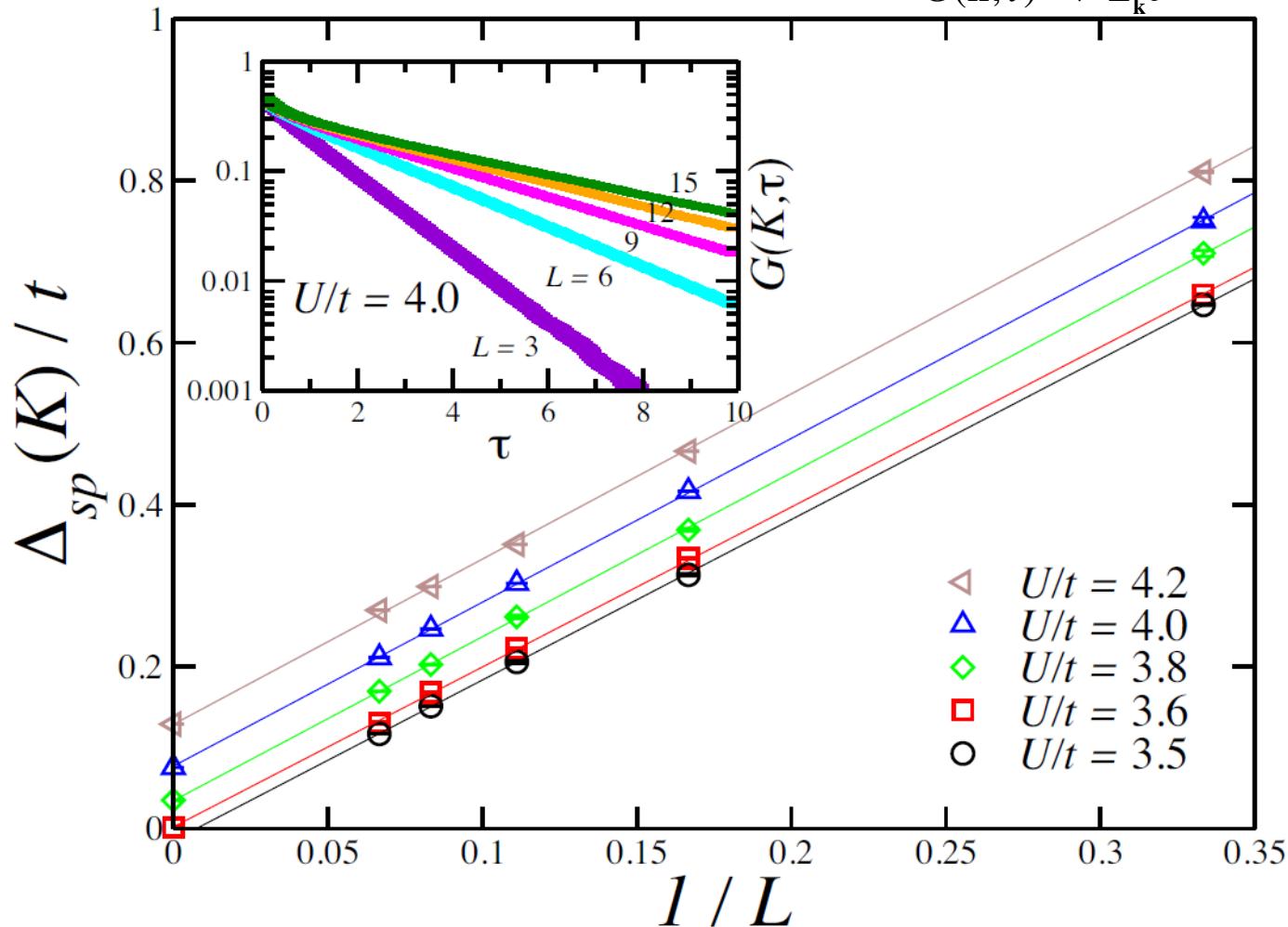


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Single-Particle Gap

$$G(\vec{k}, \tau) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_a \langle c_{\vec{k}a\uparrow}^\dagger(\tau) c_{\vec{k}a\uparrow}(0) \rangle$$

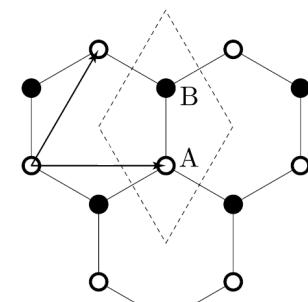
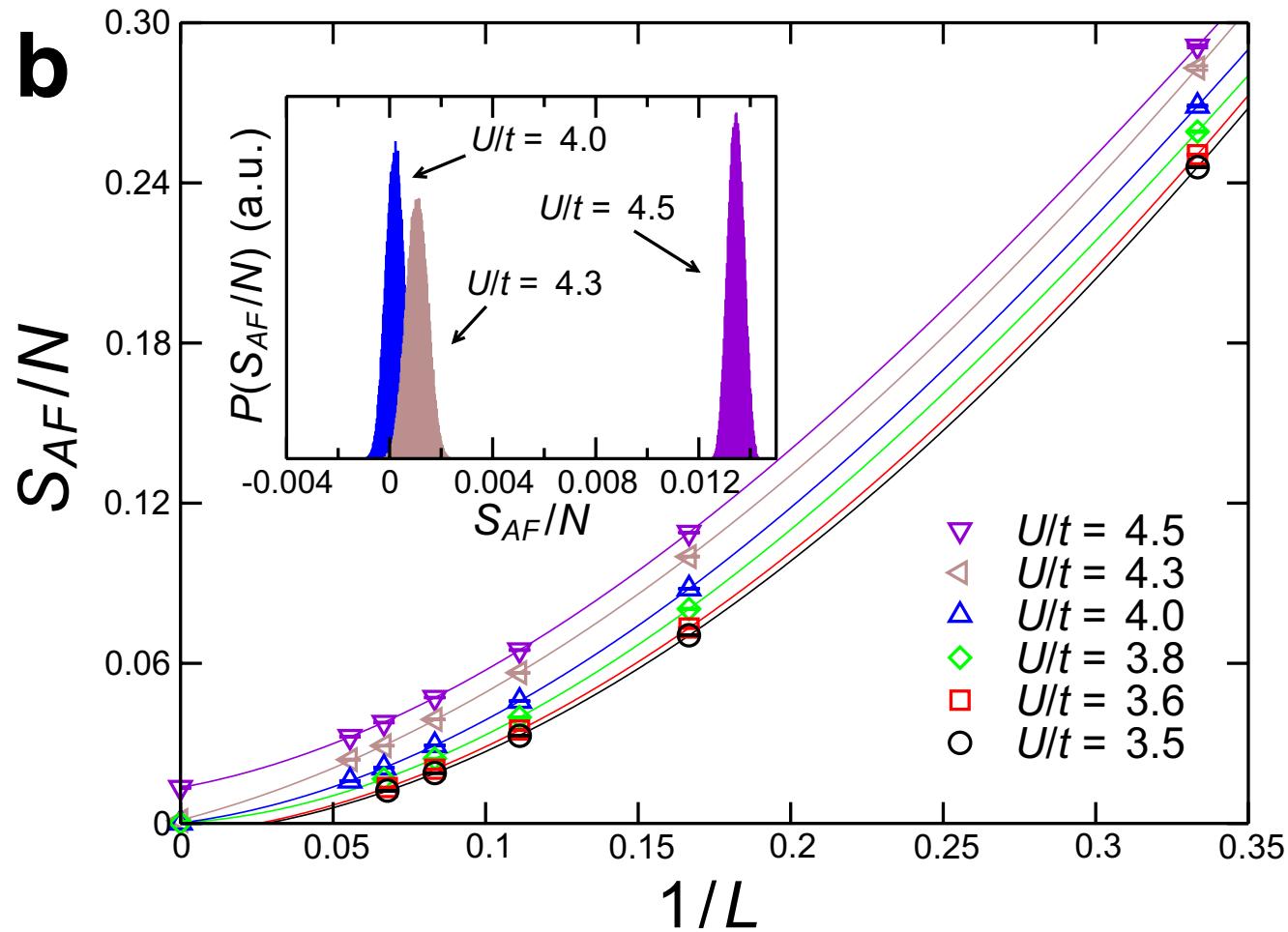
$$G(\vec{k}, \tau) \rightarrow Z_{\vec{k}} e^{-\Delta_{sp}(\vec{k})\tau}$$



Single particle gap
opens beyond
 $U / t > 3.6$

Antiferromagnetic Order

$$S_{AF} = \left\langle \sum_i (-1)^i \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_0 \right\rangle$$

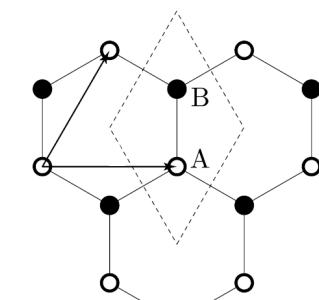
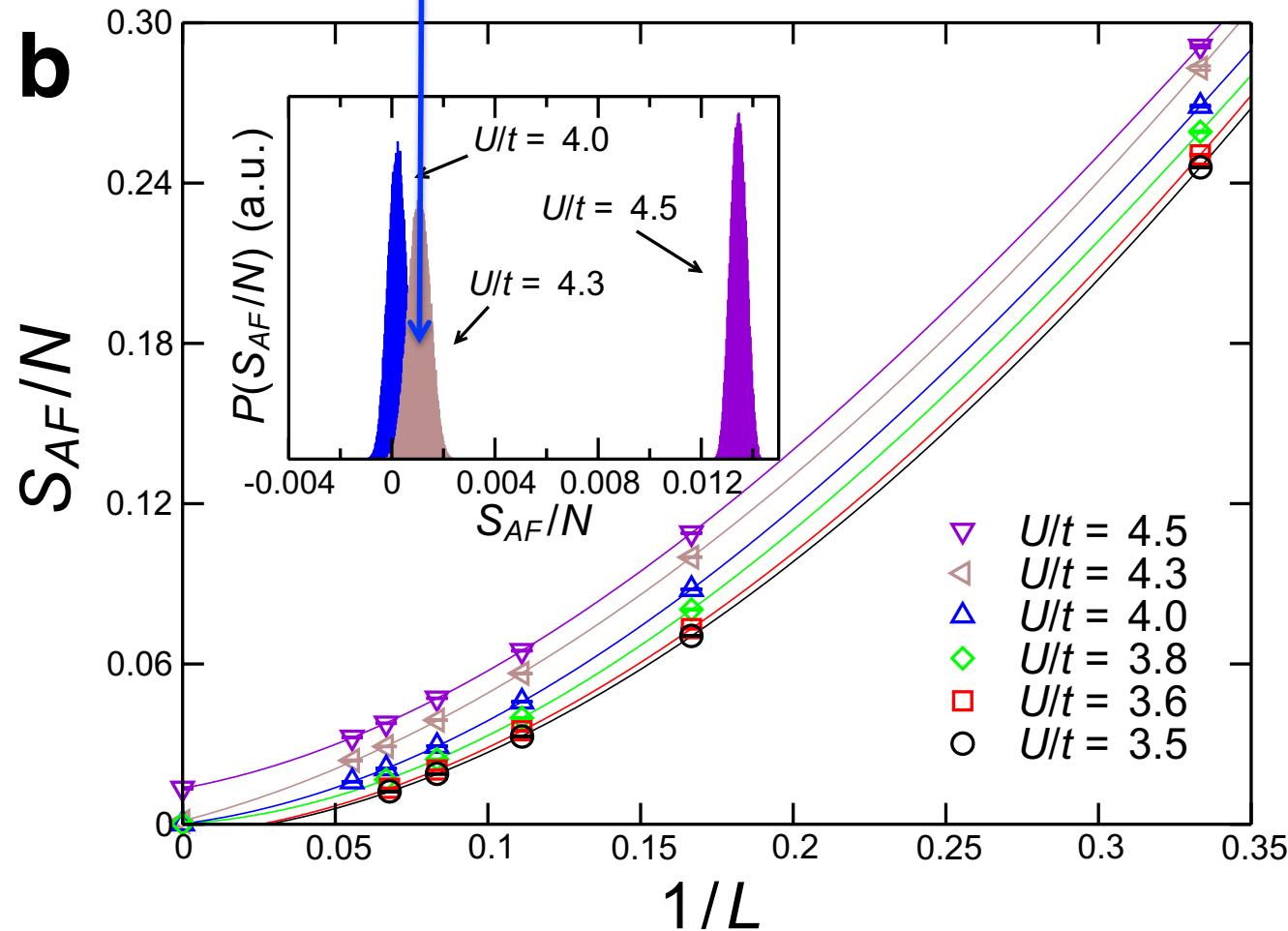


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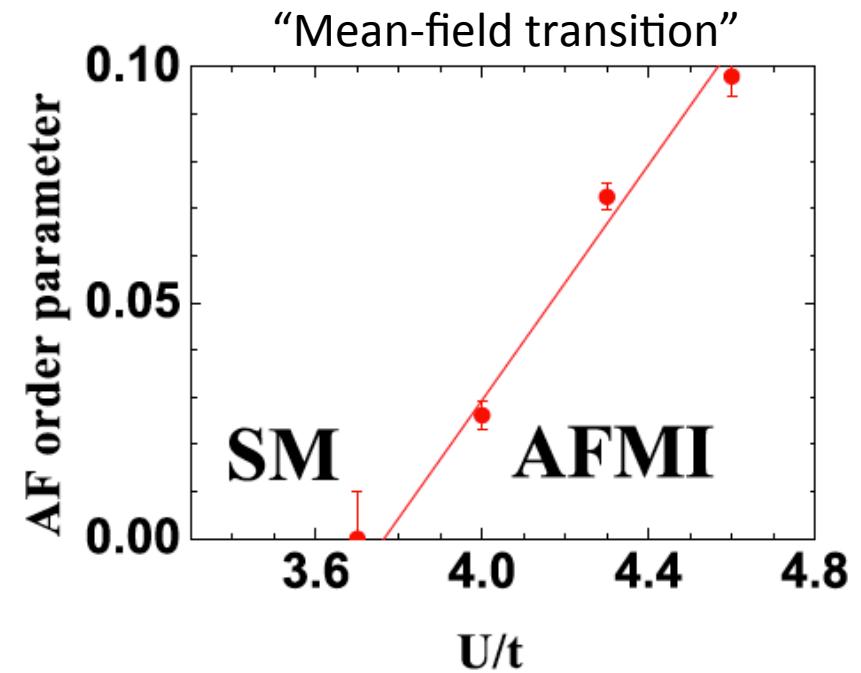
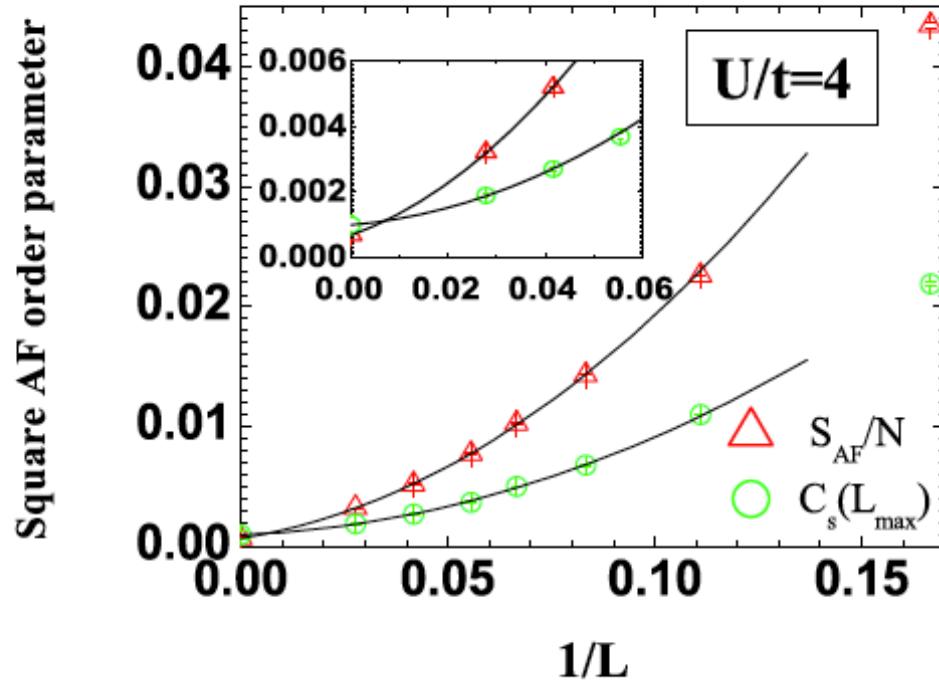
$U/t=4$: Extrapolated value is 0.0012 ± 0.0002

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Antiferromagnetic
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 $U/t > 4.3$

Sorella et al.



Sorella: Mean-field. $m \propto (U_c - U)$

Herbut: $\epsilon = 3 - d$ expansion $m \propto (U_c - U)^{0.88}$

Herbut, Juričić, Vafek PRB **80**, 075432 (2009)

Difficulty of pinning down small staggered moment is related to the fact that we are measuring the square of the order parameter!

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→ Methods to detect magnetically ordered states with small staggered moments.

Calculate the staggered by introducing a pinning field.

Steven R. White and A. L. Chernyshev Phys. Rev. Lett. 99, 127004

$$H = H_{tU} + h(n_{0,\uparrow} - n_{0,\downarrow})$$

$$m = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \langle S^z(R) \rangle e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{R}}$$

$$H = H_{tU} + \sum_q h(q) S^z(q)$$

$$m = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{L^2} \sum_i e^{i\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{i}} \langle S^z(i) \rangle$$

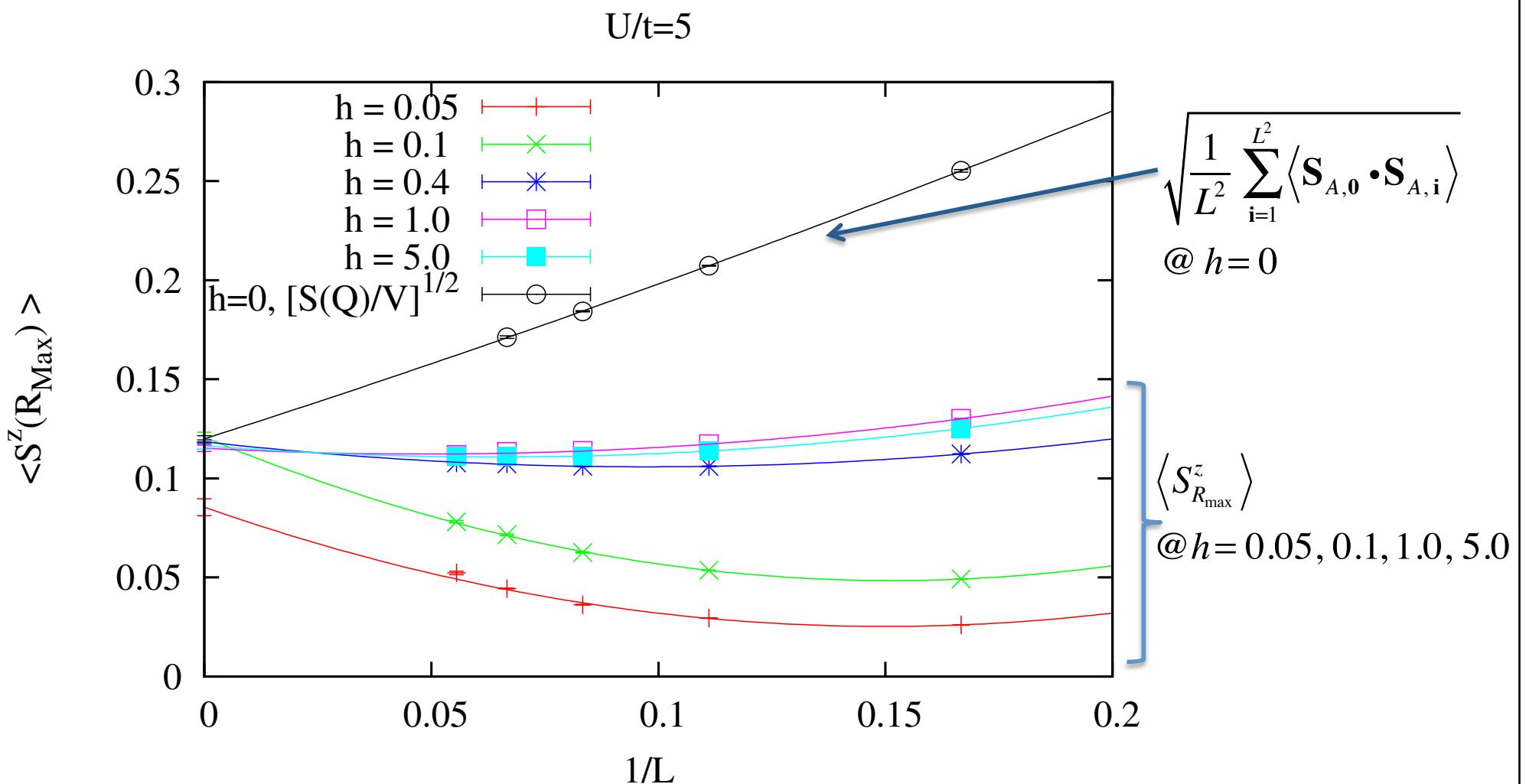
$$h(q) = \frac{2h}{L^2} \quad S^z(q) = \sum_i e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{i}} S^z(\mathbf{i})$$

The ordered case $U/t=5$.

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} + U \sum_i (n_{i,\uparrow} - 1/2)(n_{i,\downarrow} - 1/2) + h(n_{0,\uparrow} - n_{0,\downarrow})$$

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- Large values of projection parameter. $\Theta t = 320$
- Small values of h lead to bigger finite size effects.

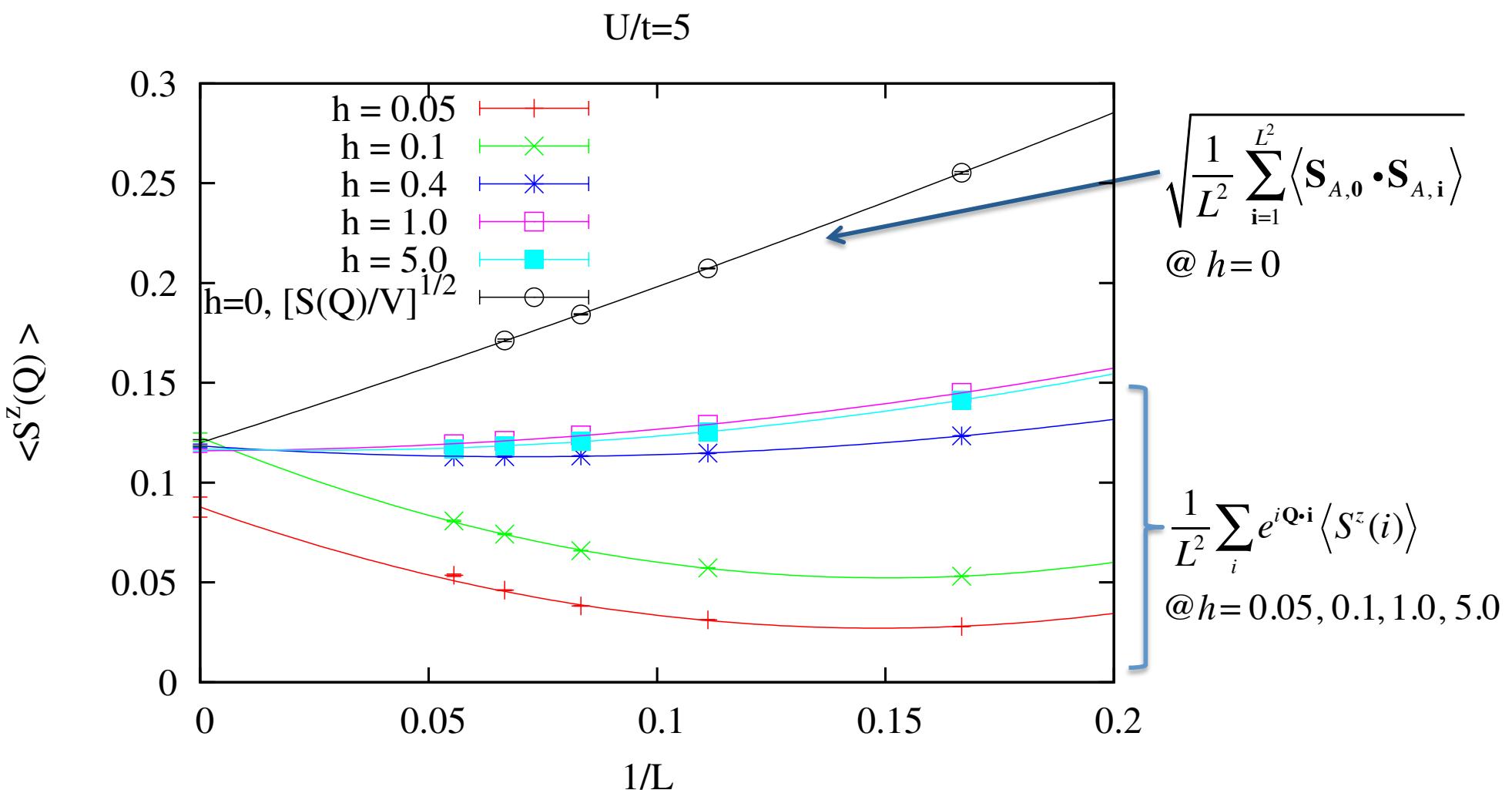


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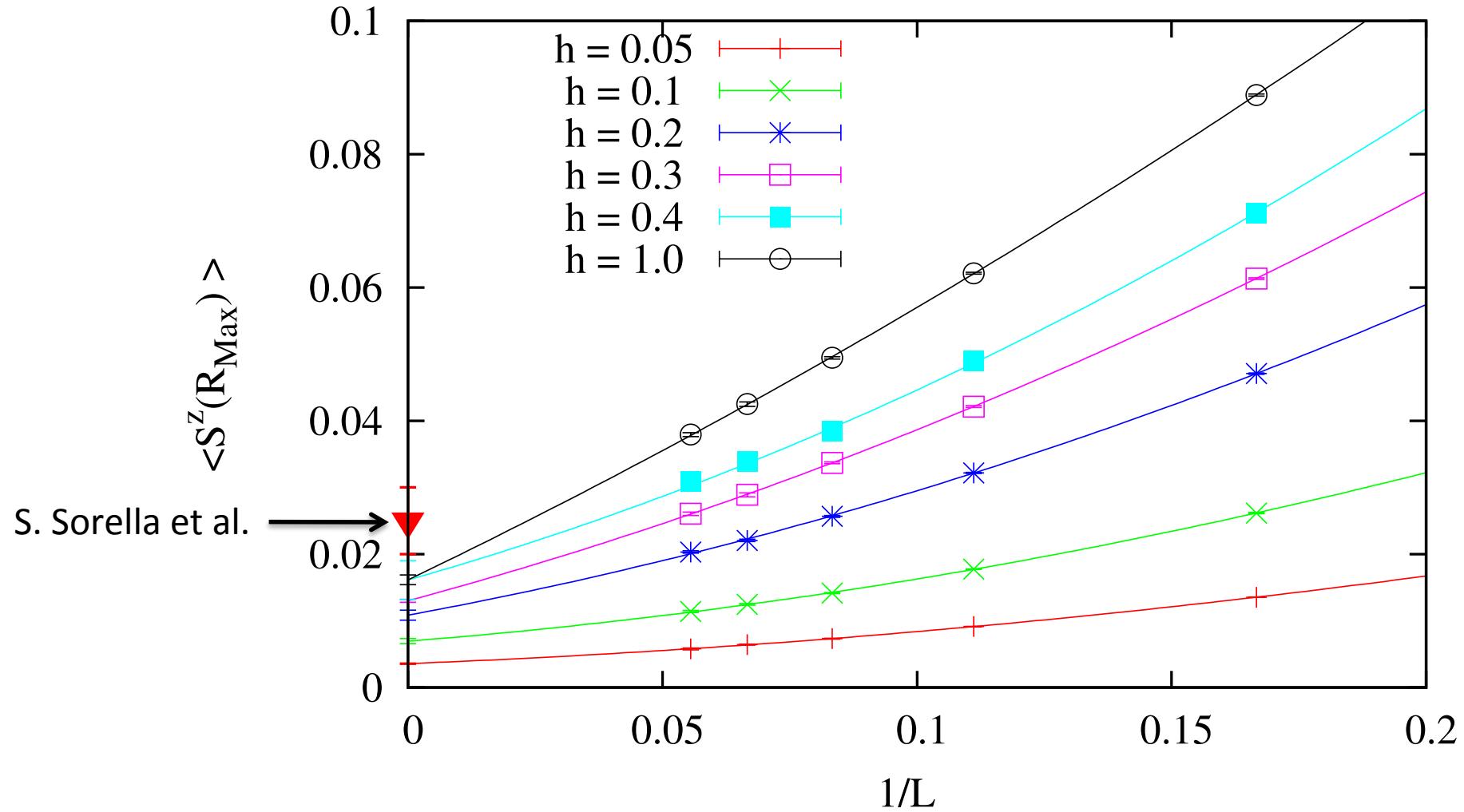
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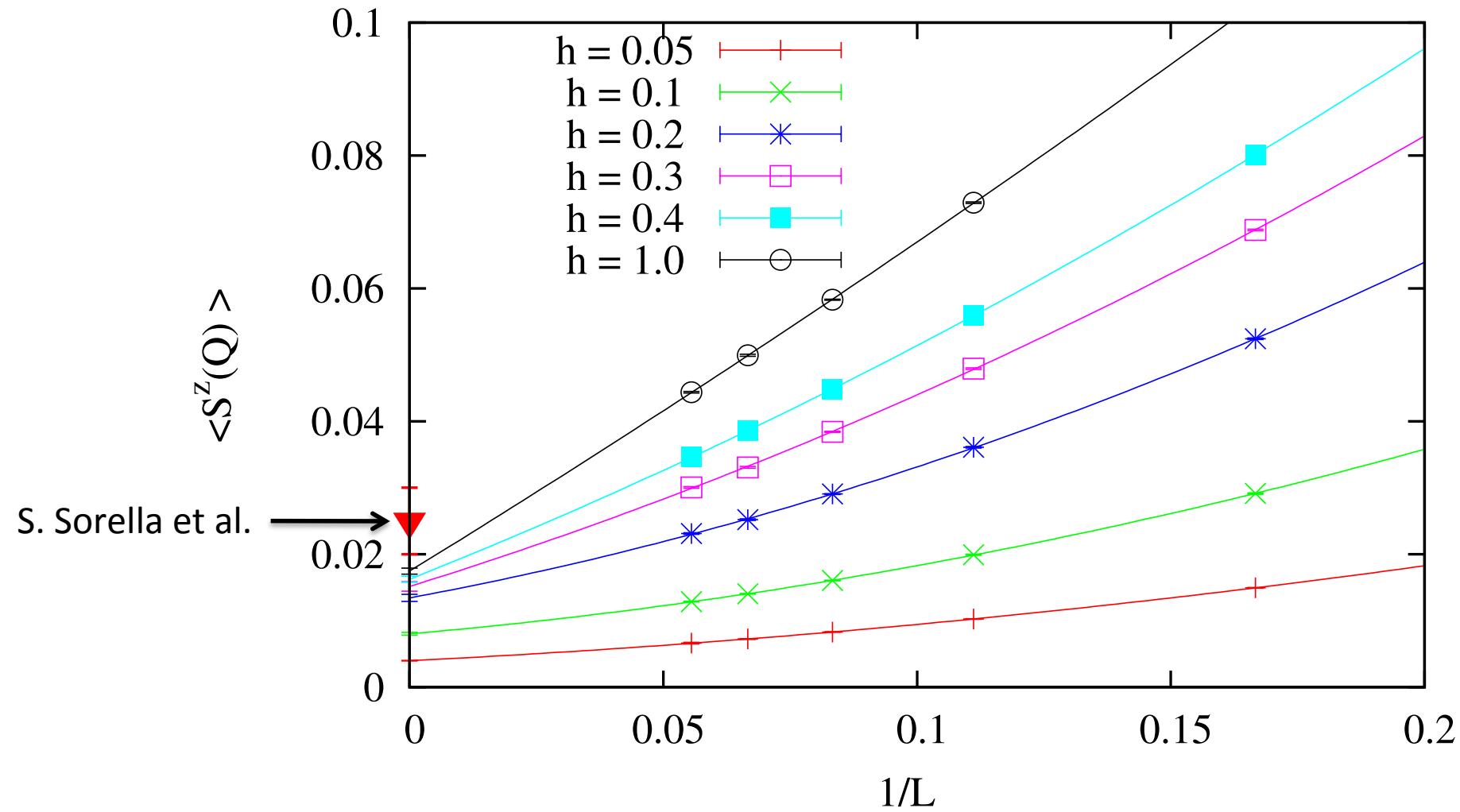
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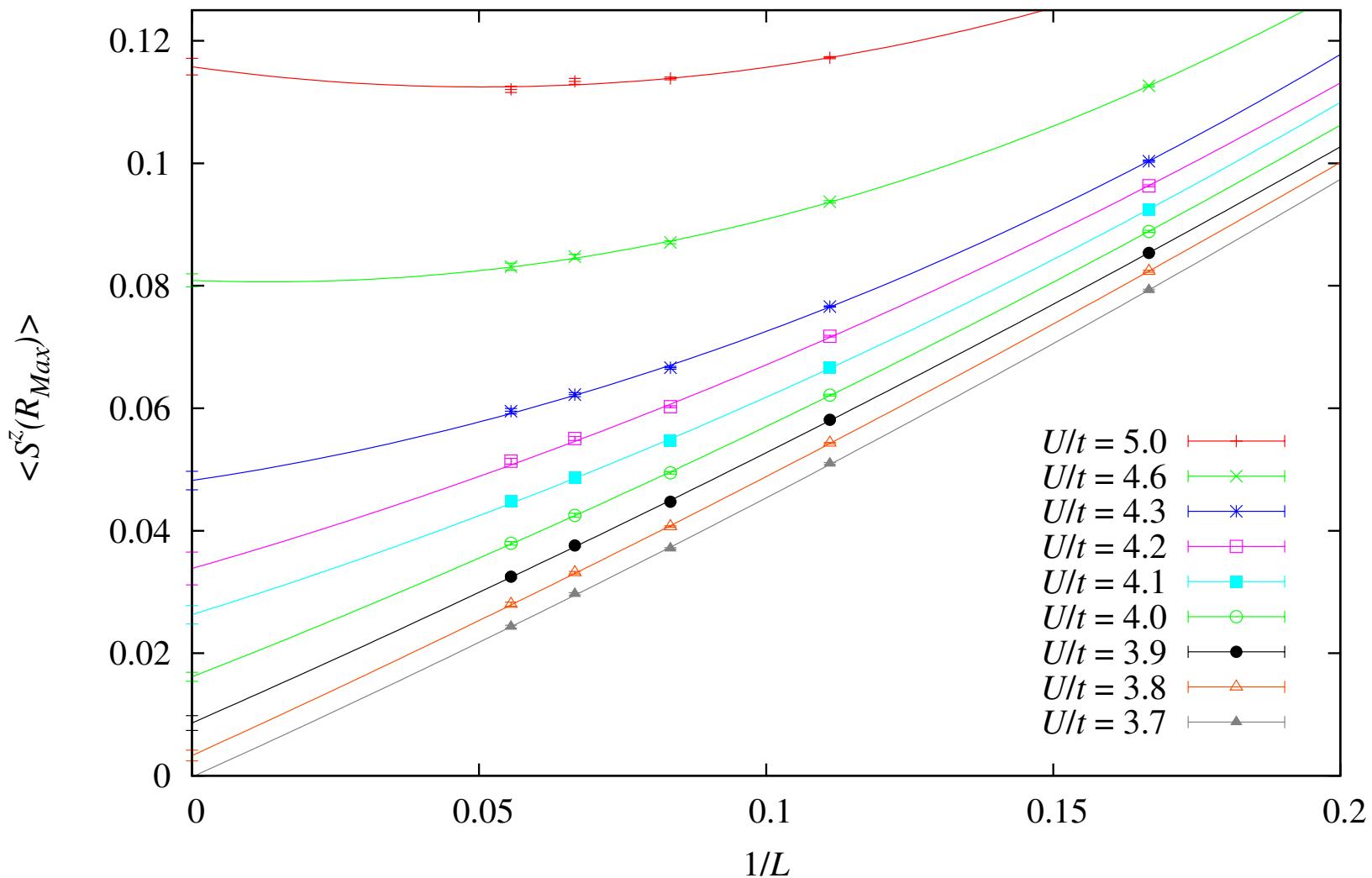


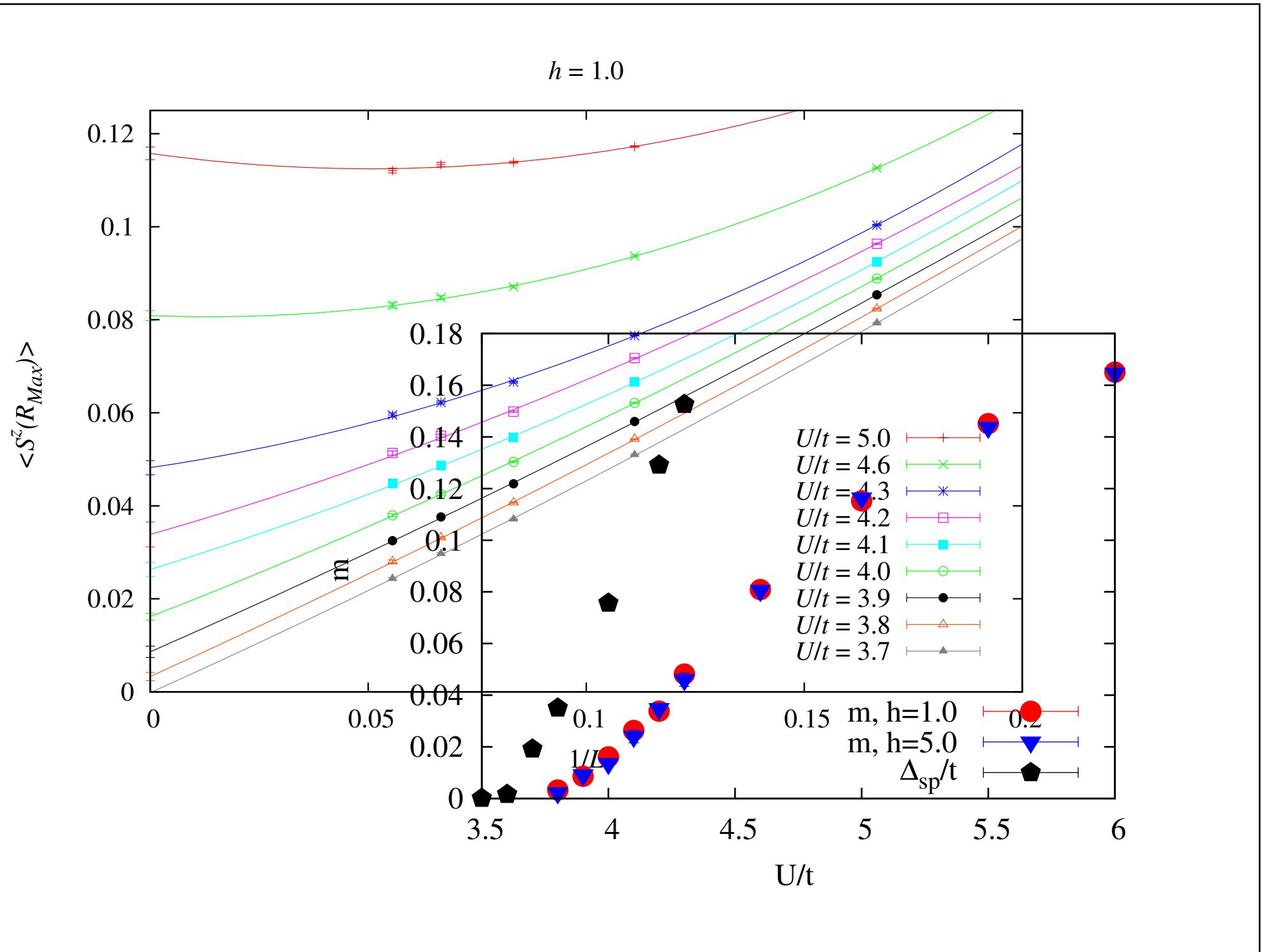
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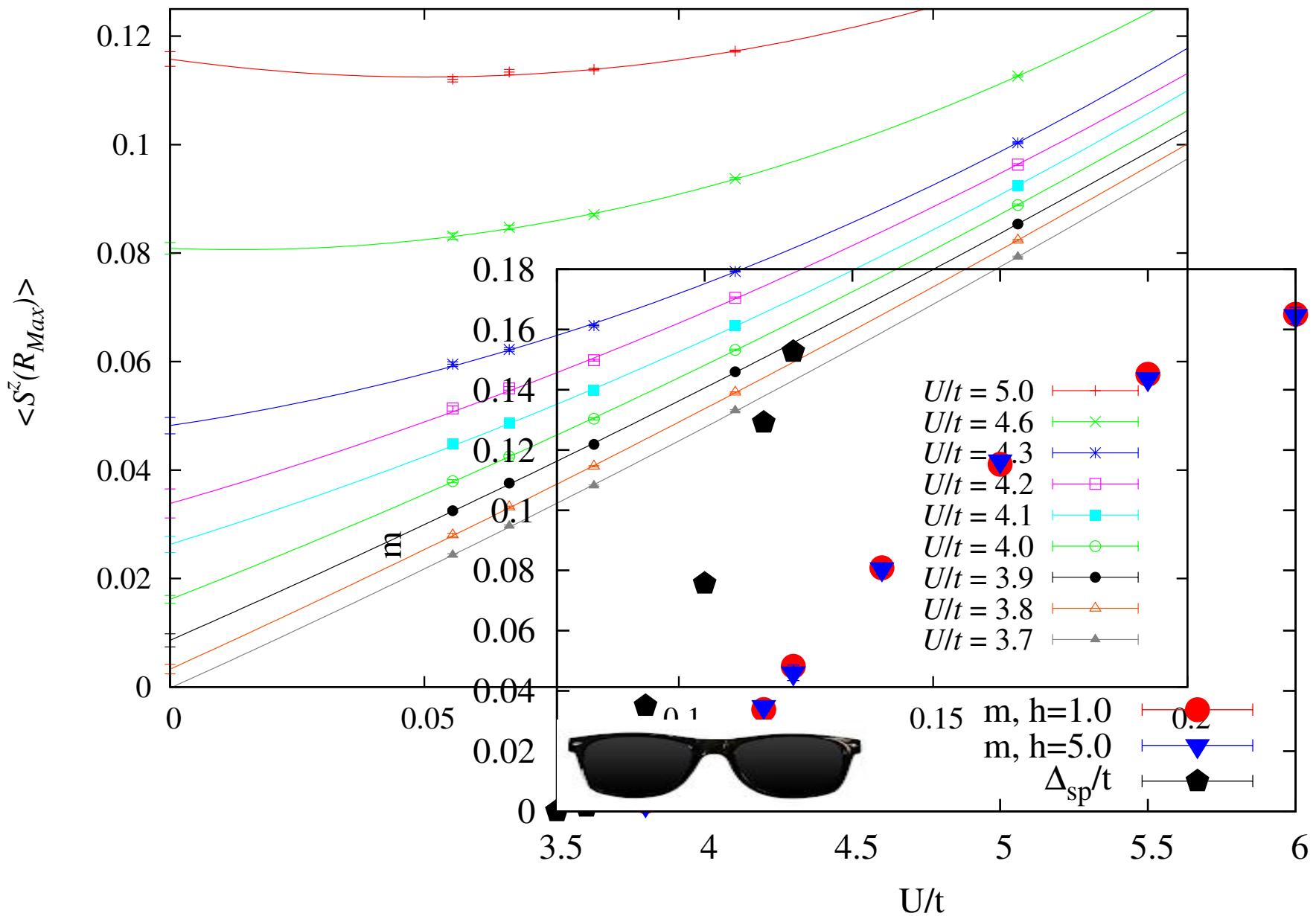
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Consider large values of h so as to minimize size effects?









Open questions.

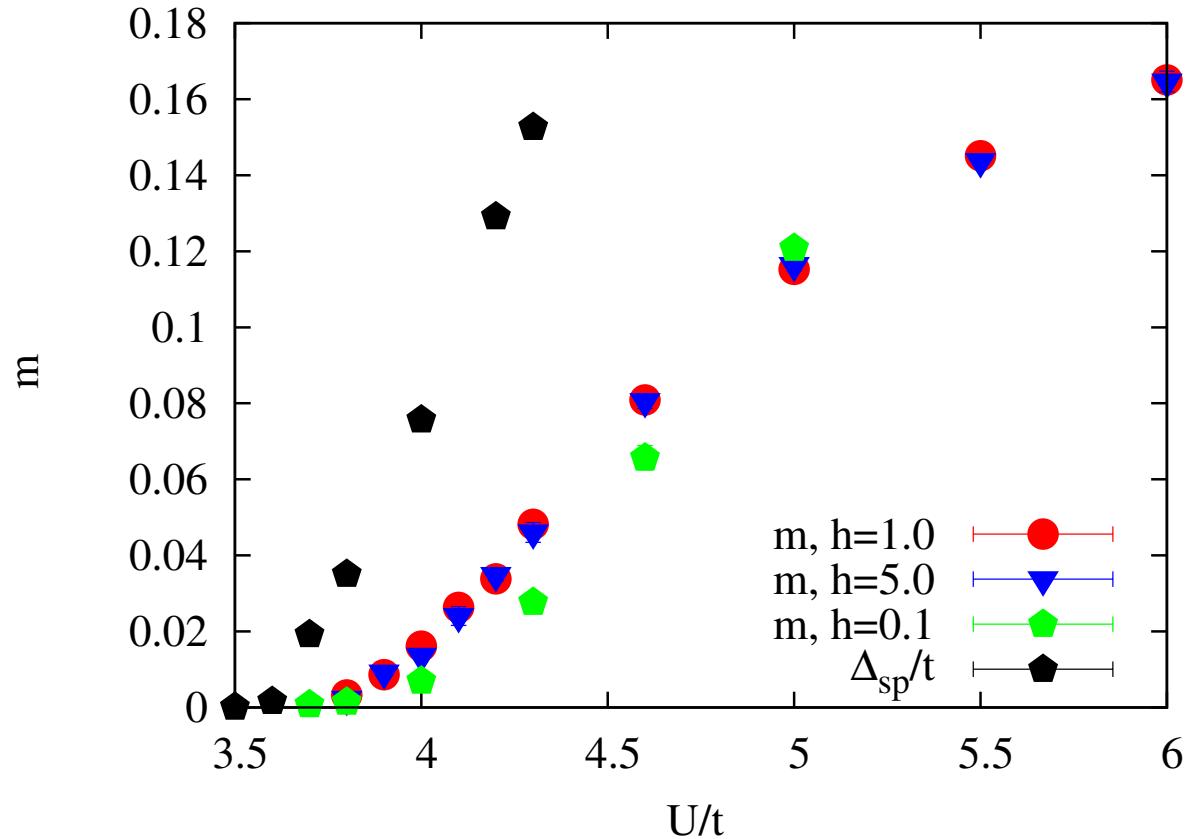
Magnetic field dependence ?

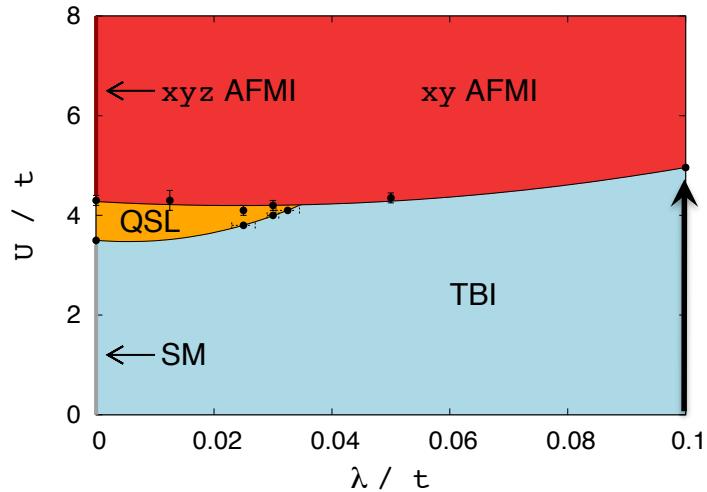
Pinning field on more than a single site ?

Other models? π -flux model.

→ Combine this method with large scale simulations.

Simple and very stable quantity to measure.



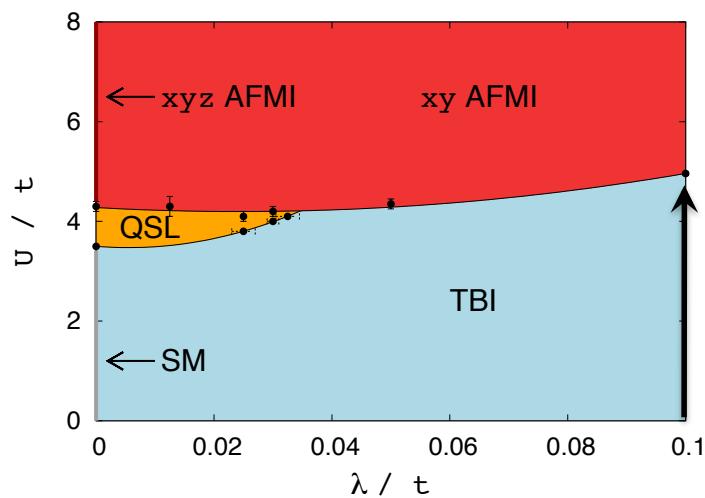


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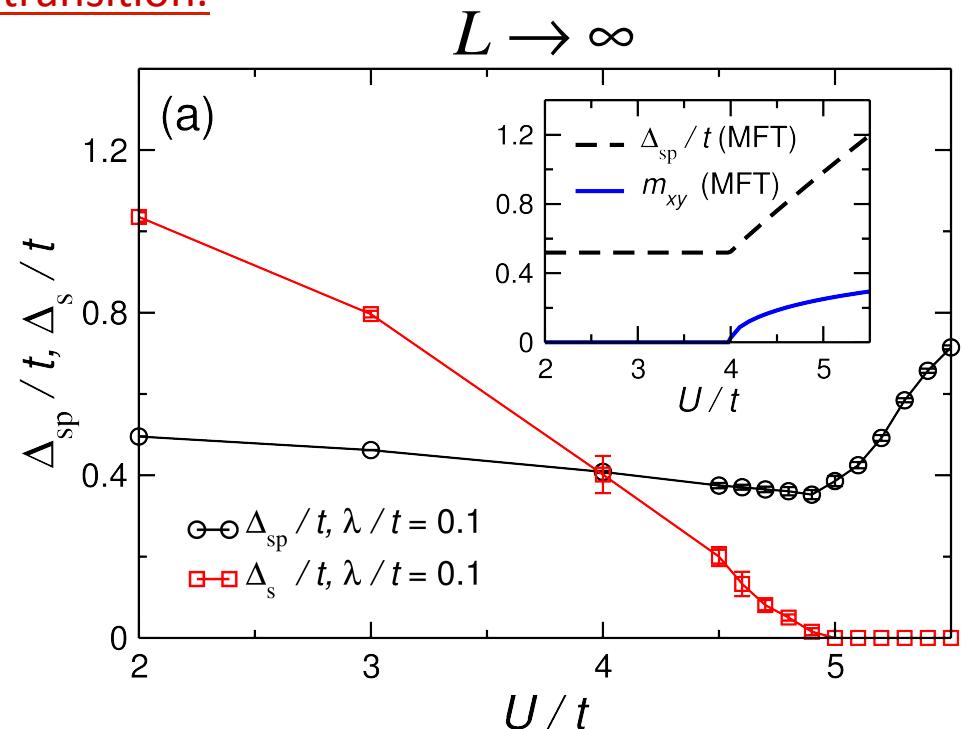
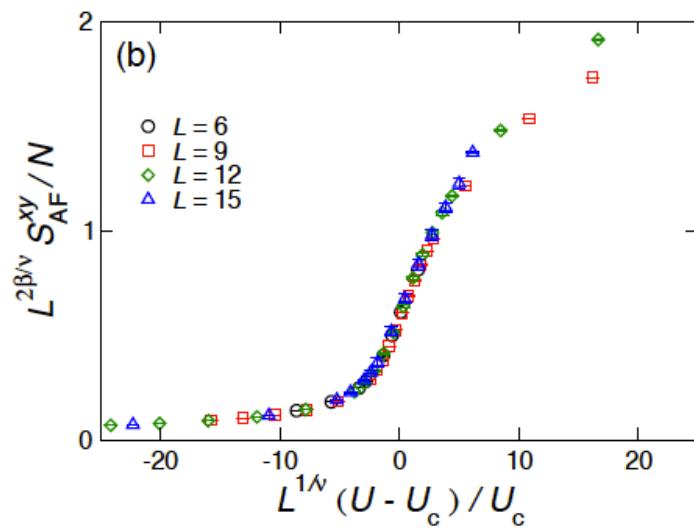
Motivation.

- Method to detect topological insulators in the presence of correlations.
- Toolbox for building quantum spin systems.

(2+1)D XY transition.

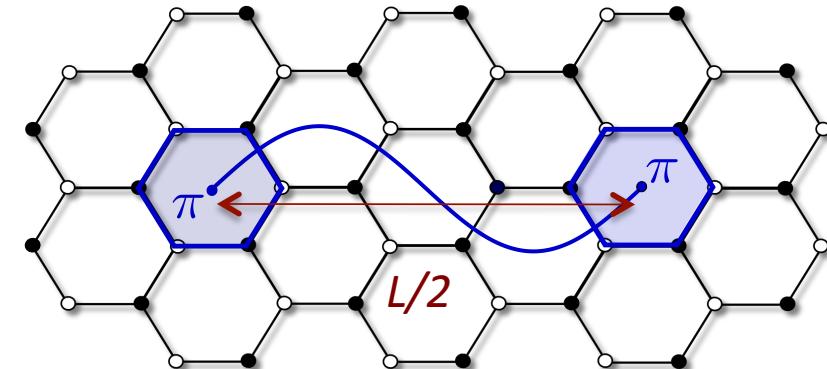
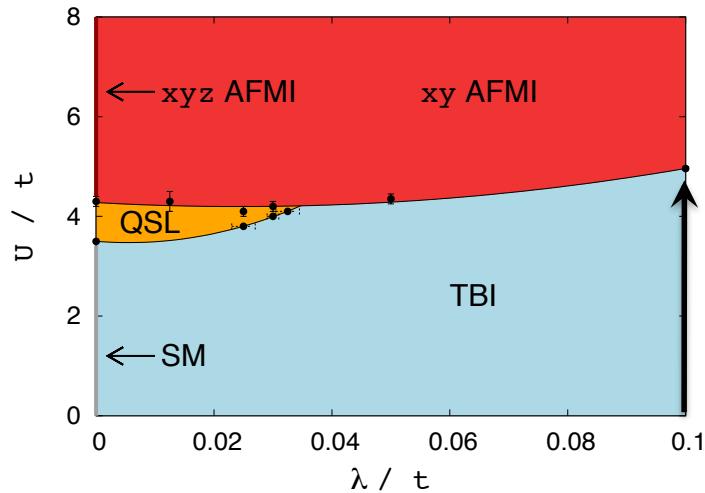


$$U_c = 4.96(4), z=1, \nu = 0.6717(1), \\ \eta = 0.0381(2), \beta = 0.3486(1)$$



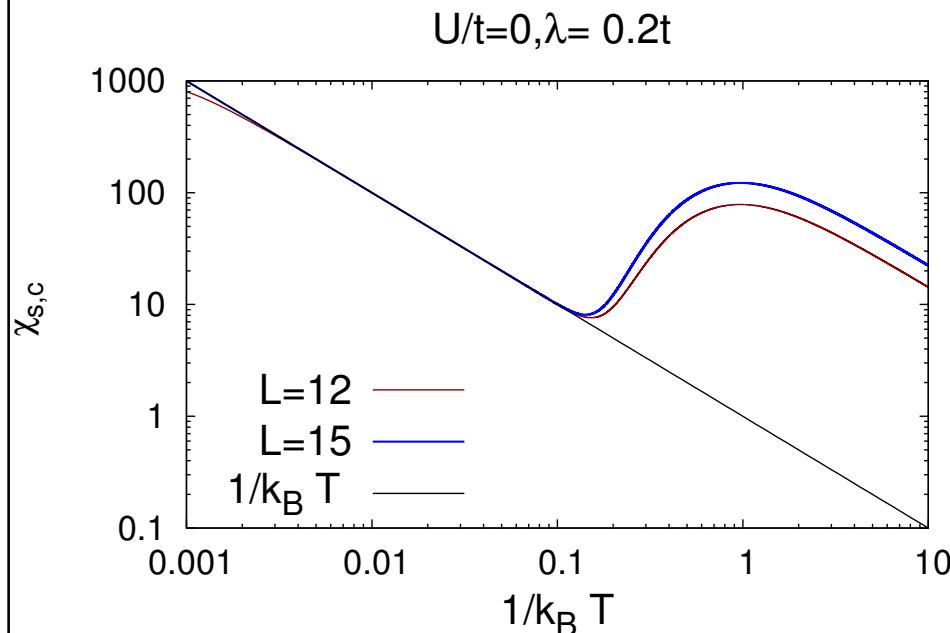
- $U > U_c$ Magnetic order in XY-plane.
S. Rachel, K. Le Hur, PRB (2010).
- $U \rightarrow U_c$ spin excitations condense to form order in the ordered phase.
- No closing of the single particle gap.
- Criticality: orientation disordering of spin \rightarrow 3D XY.

Fluxes @ U/t=0.

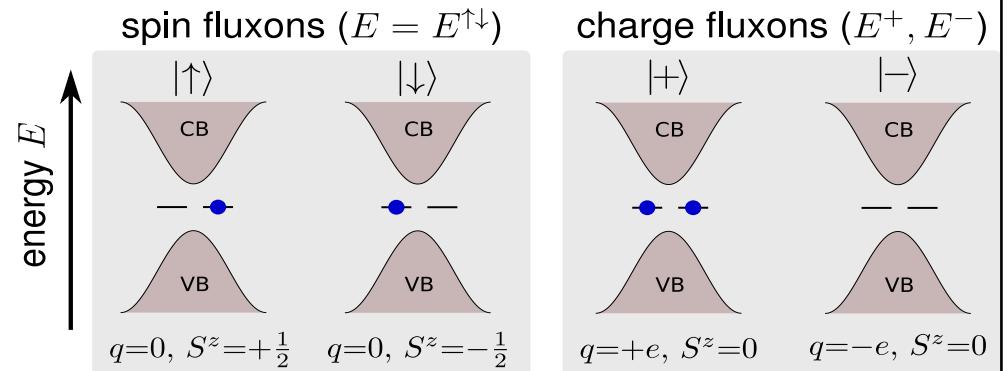


$$\chi_c = \beta \left(\langle \hat{N}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{N} \rangle^2 \right), \quad \chi_s = \beta \left(\langle M_z^2 \rangle - \langle M_z \rangle^2 \right)$$

$$\chi_s \equiv \chi_c = \frac{1}{2k_B T} \quad \text{Per } \pi\text{-flux}$$

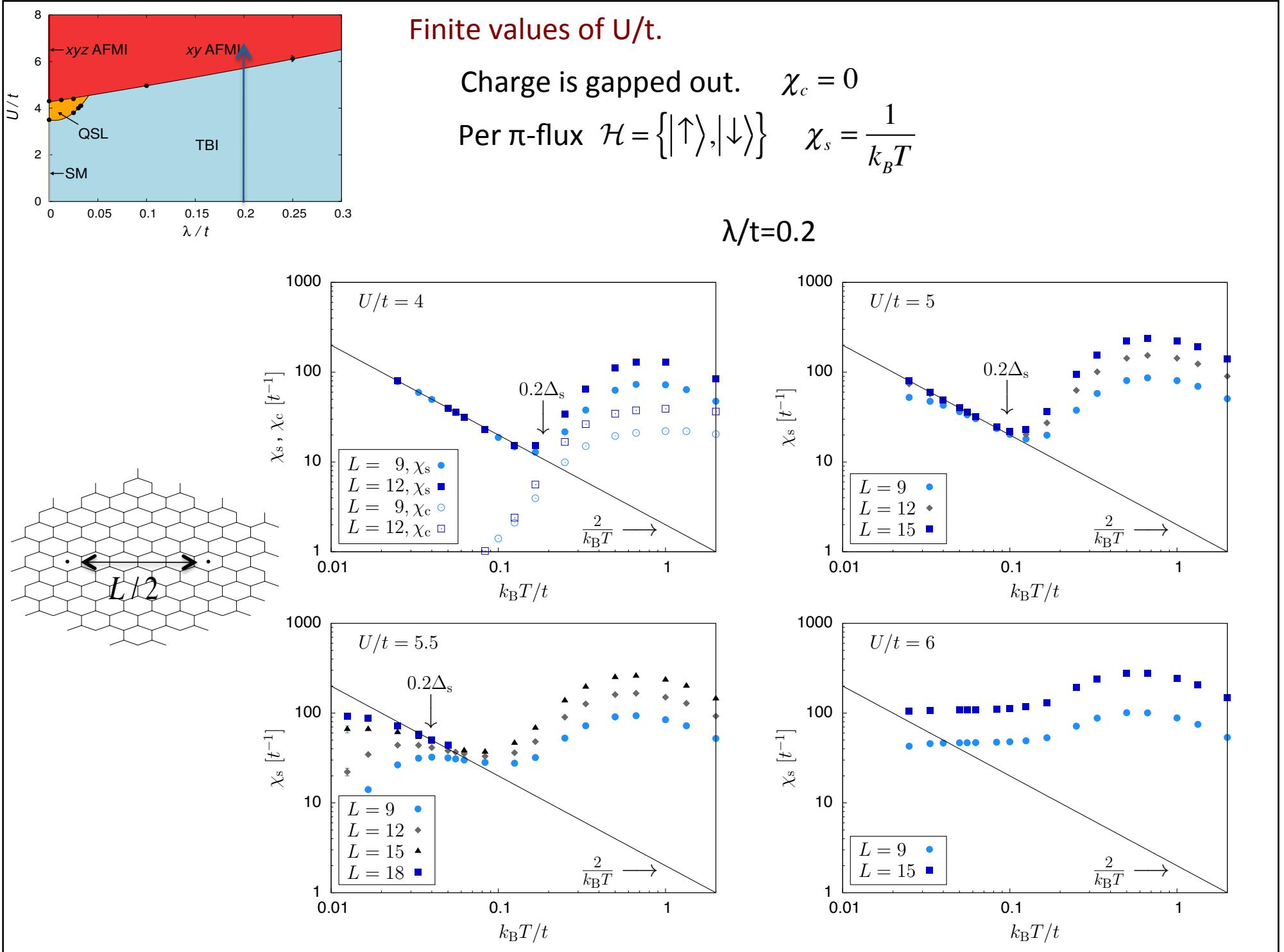


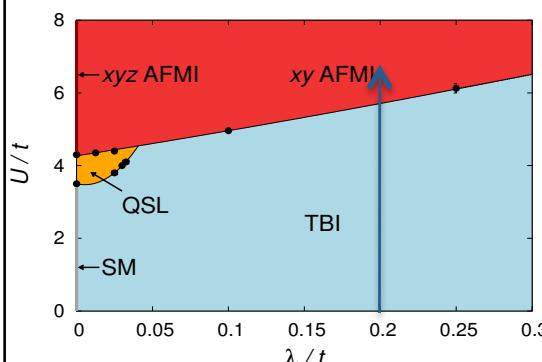
Four mid-gap states per π -flux.



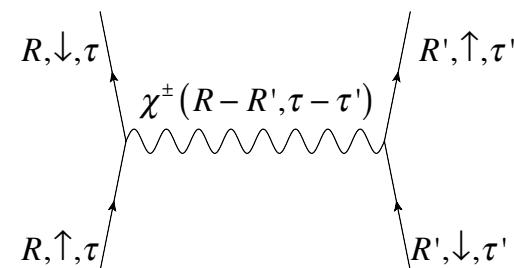
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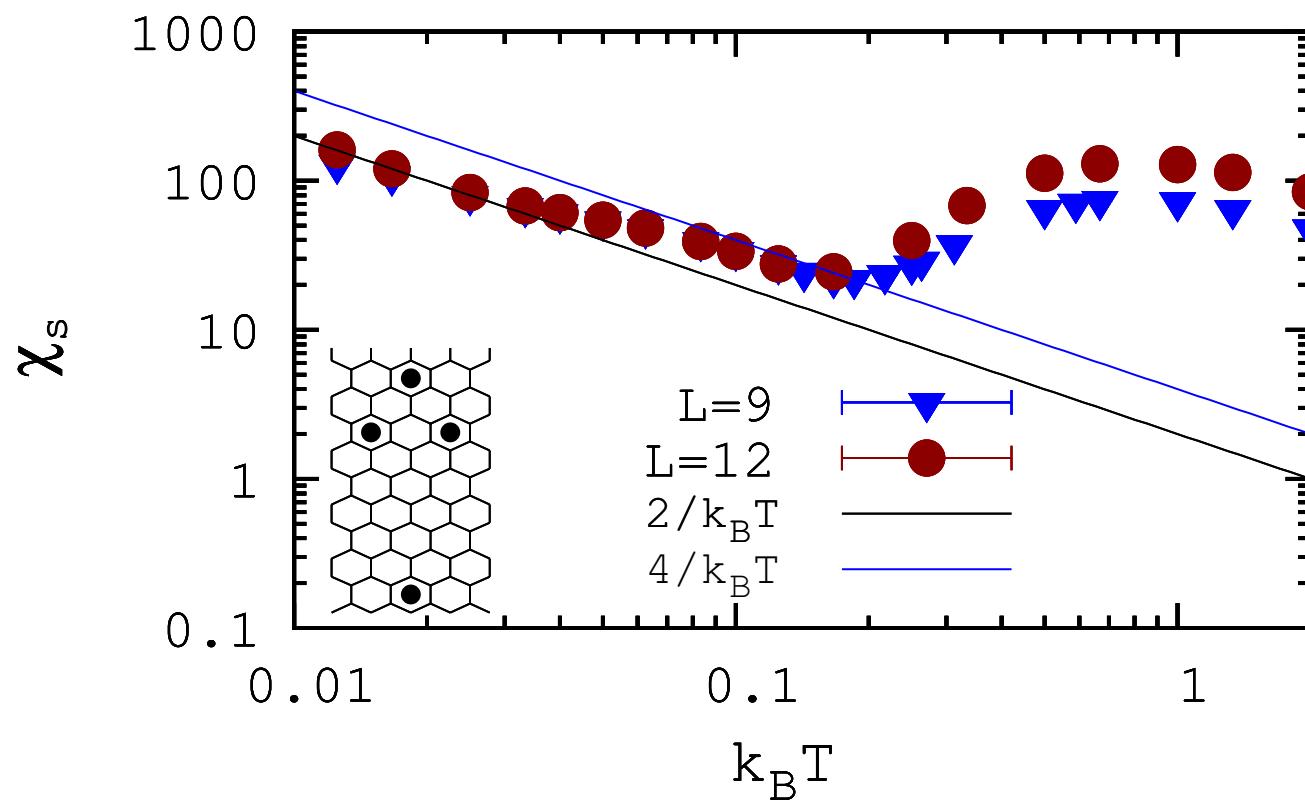
Interaction between spin-fluxon:
Exchange of a transverse collective spin excitation.



$$\chi^\pm(q, i\Omega_m) = \frac{1}{\omega(q) - i\Omega_m} + \frac{1}{\omega(q) + i\Omega_m}$$

$$\omega(q) = \sqrt{v^2 [1 - \cos(q - Q_0)] + \Delta_s^2}$$

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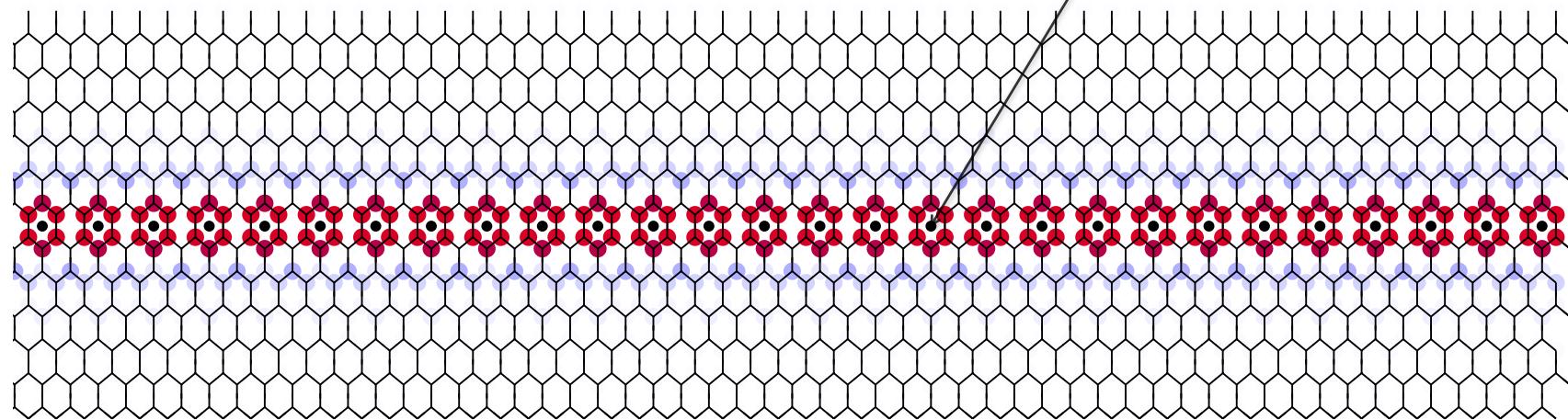


Spin chains

$$\lambda / t = 0.15, \ U / t = 0$$

Π -fluxes

$$N_{\Omega}(i) = \int_0^{\Omega=0.2t} N(i, \omega) d\omega$$

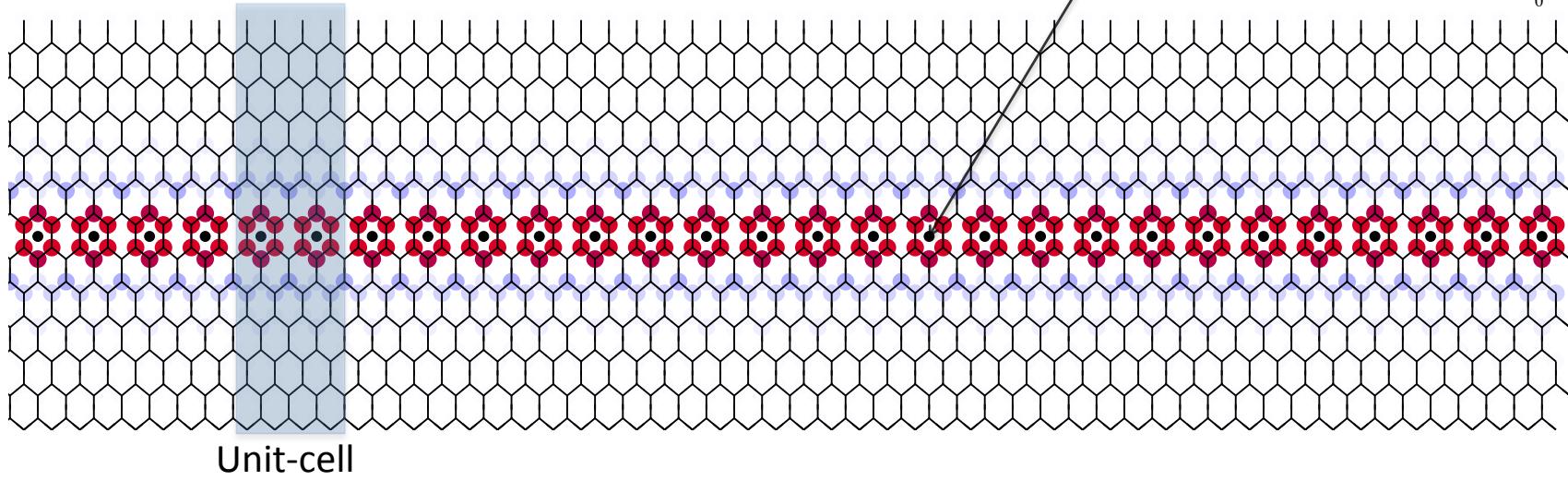


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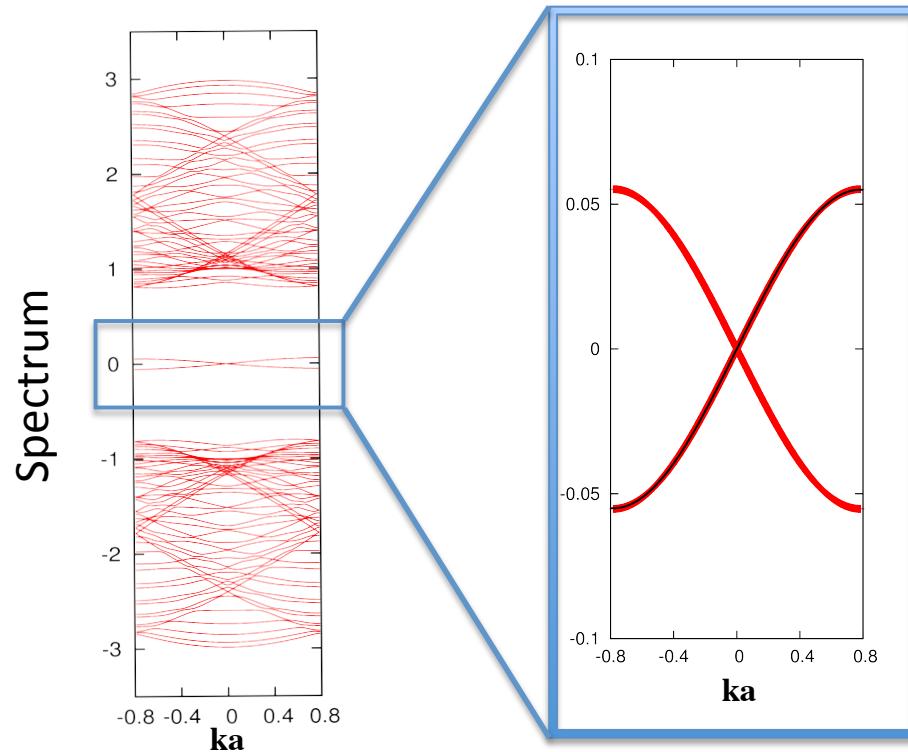
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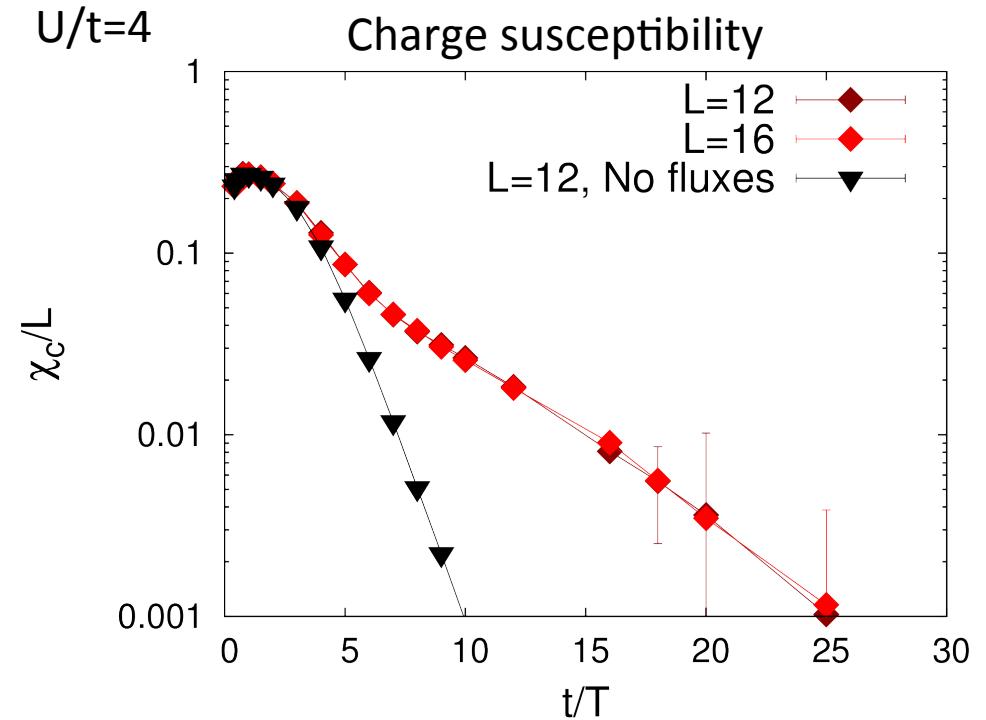
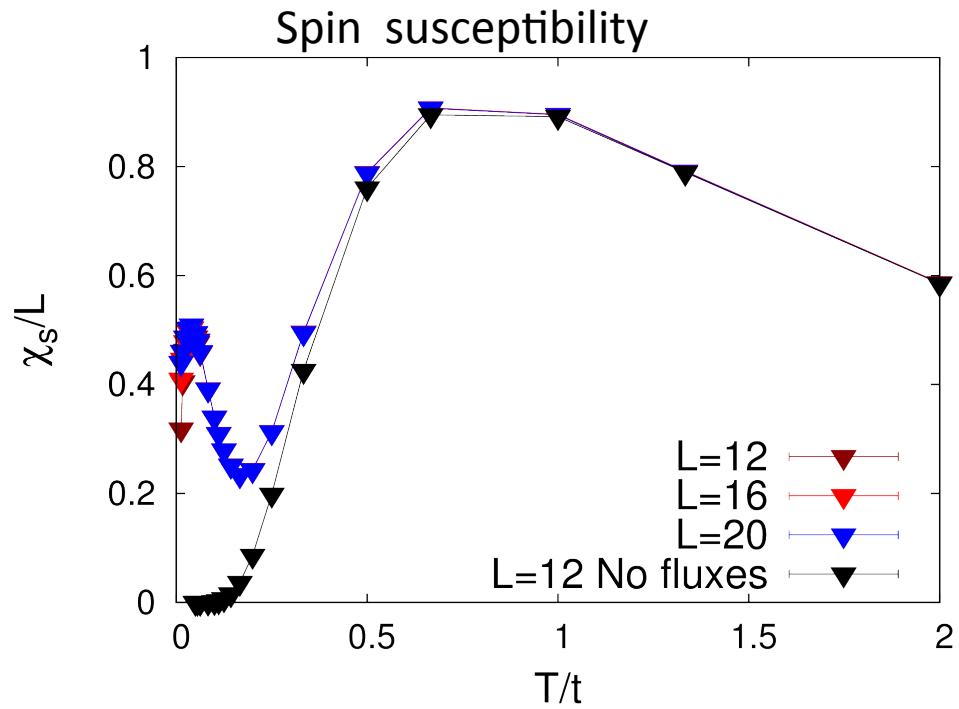
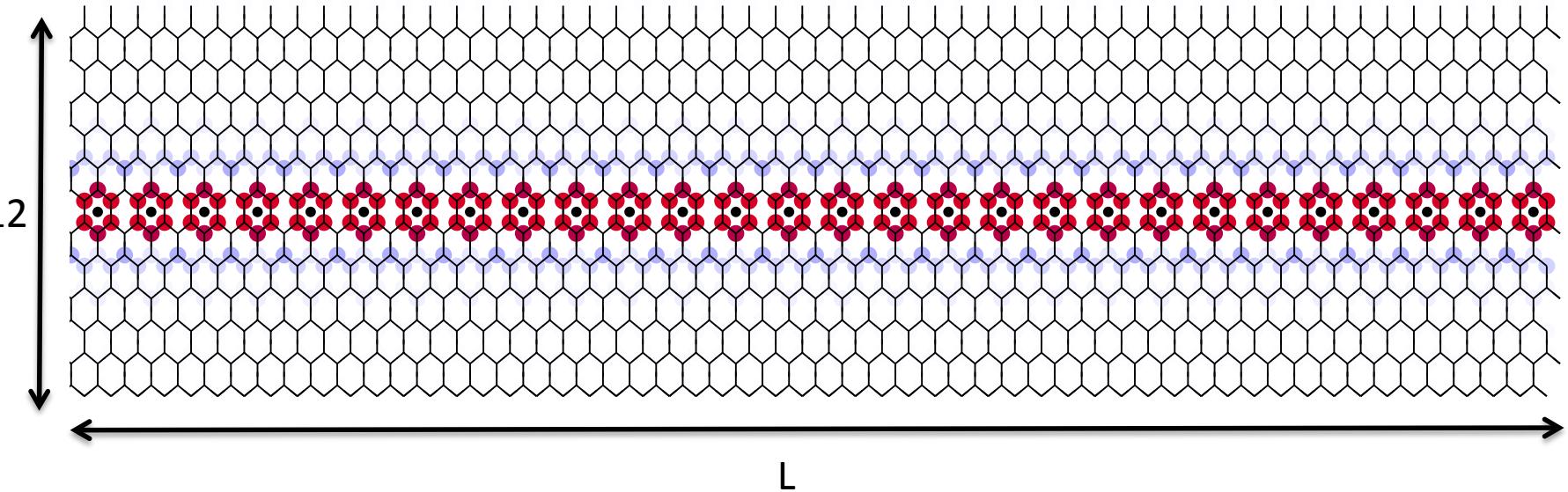
Unit-cell



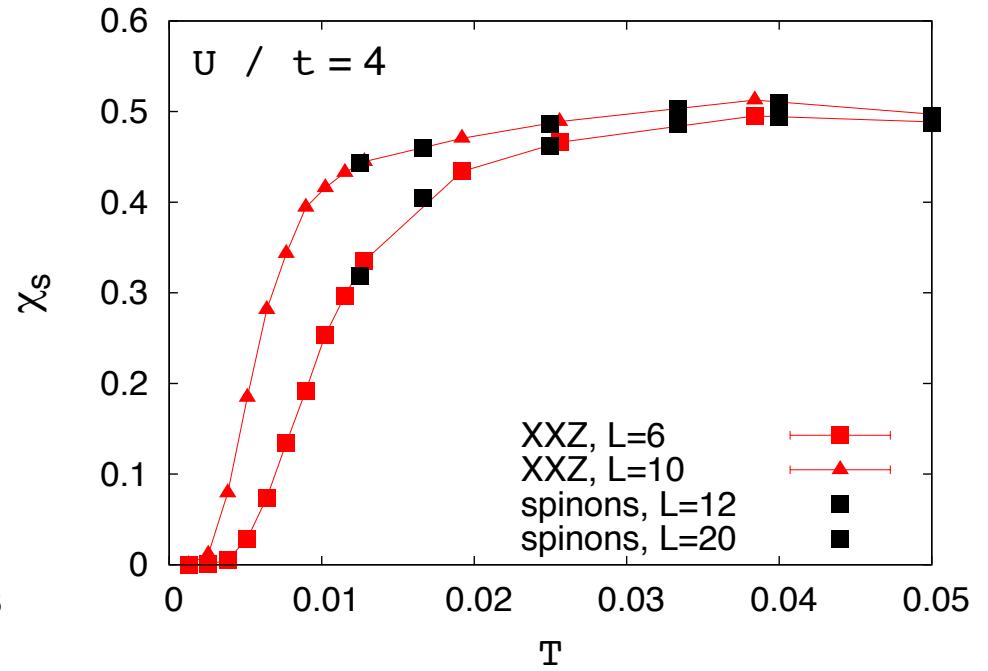
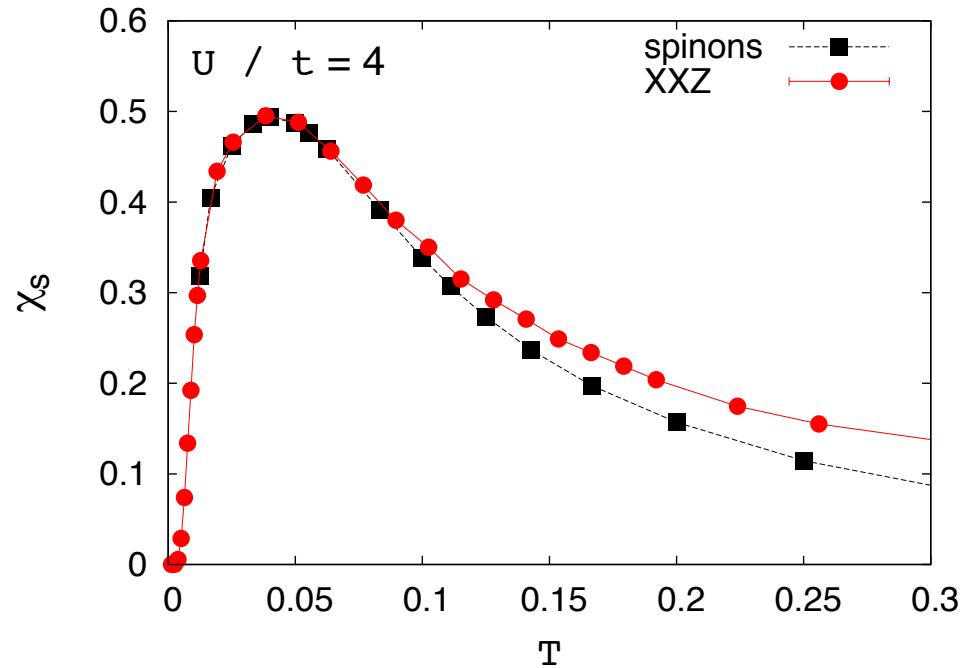
$$\varepsilon(k) = \pm 2t |\sin(2ka)|$$

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Finite values of $U/t \rightarrow \text{cos}1$

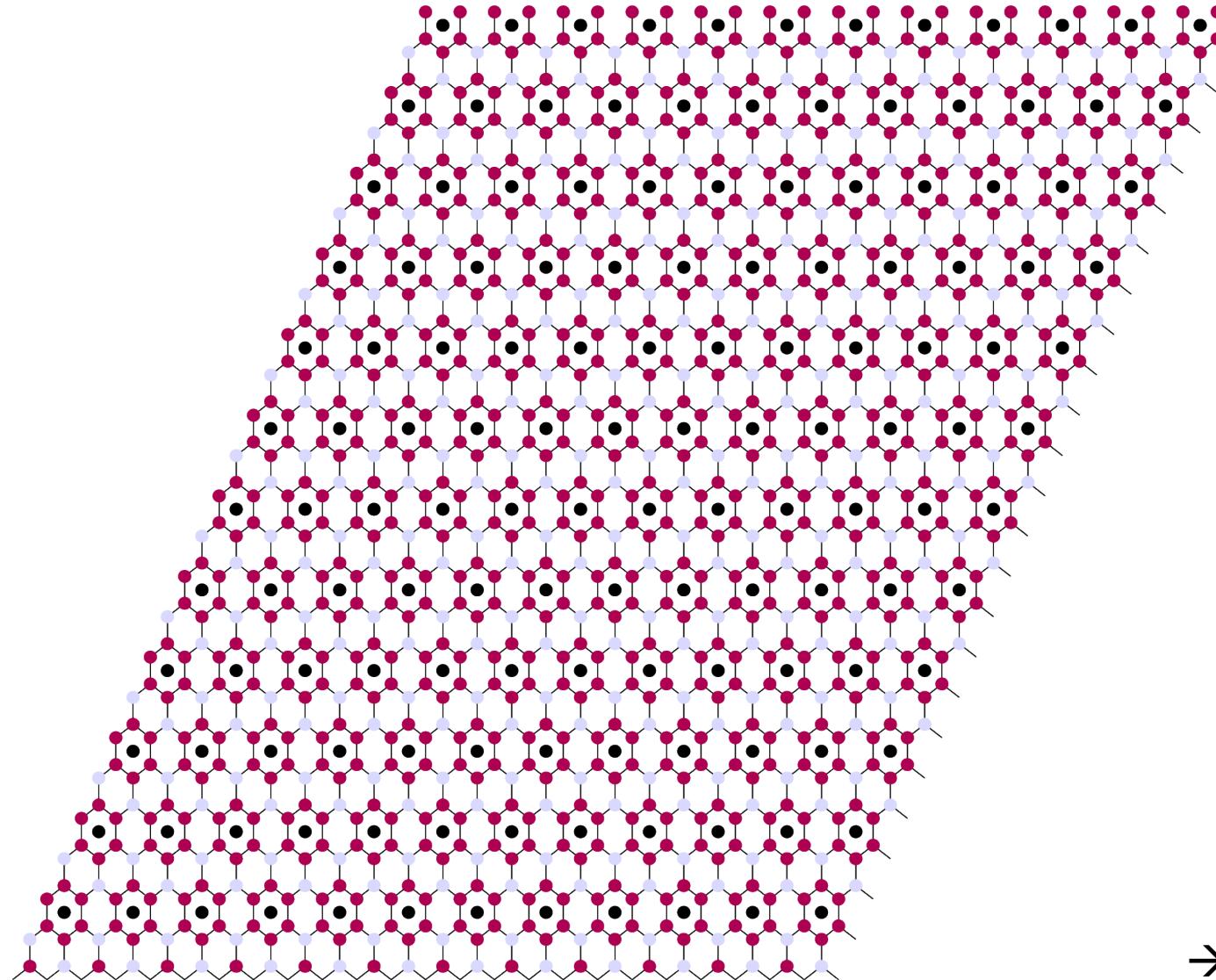


Spin-susceptibility of the spin-fluxon chain.



Fit: XXZ model. $J_{zz} / J_{xx} = 0.1, J_{zz} < 0$

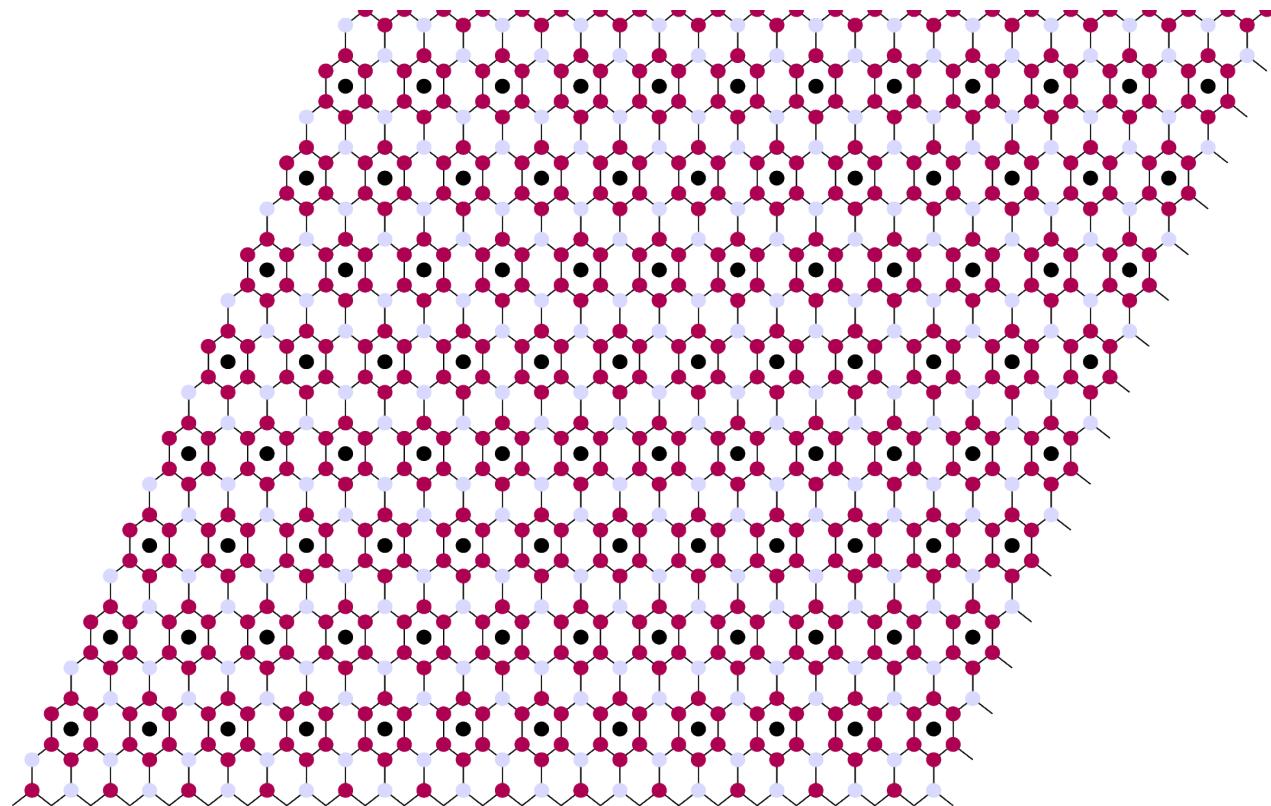
Triangular lattice of fluxons....



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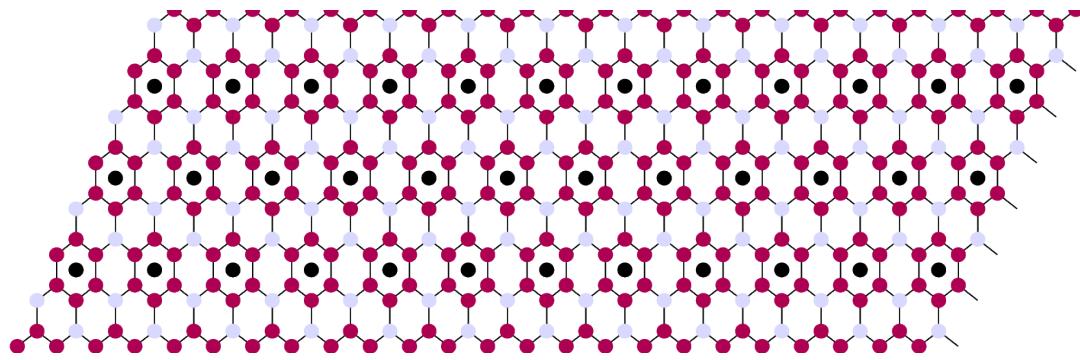
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Pinning fields.

Allows determination of magnetic order with unprecedented accuracy.