

Title: The Amplitude Mode in Condensed Matter : Higgs Hunting on a Budget

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Abstract: The amplitude mode is a ubiquitous phenomenon in systems with broken continuous symmetry and effective relativistic dynamics, and has been observed in magnets, charge density waves, cold atom systems, and superconductors. It is a simple analog of the Higgs boson of particle physics. I will discuss the properties of the amplitude mode and its somewhat surprising visibility in two-dimensional systems, recently confirmed in cold atom experiments. The behavior in the vicinity of a quantum critical point will be stressed, comparing theoretical, numerical, and experimental results.

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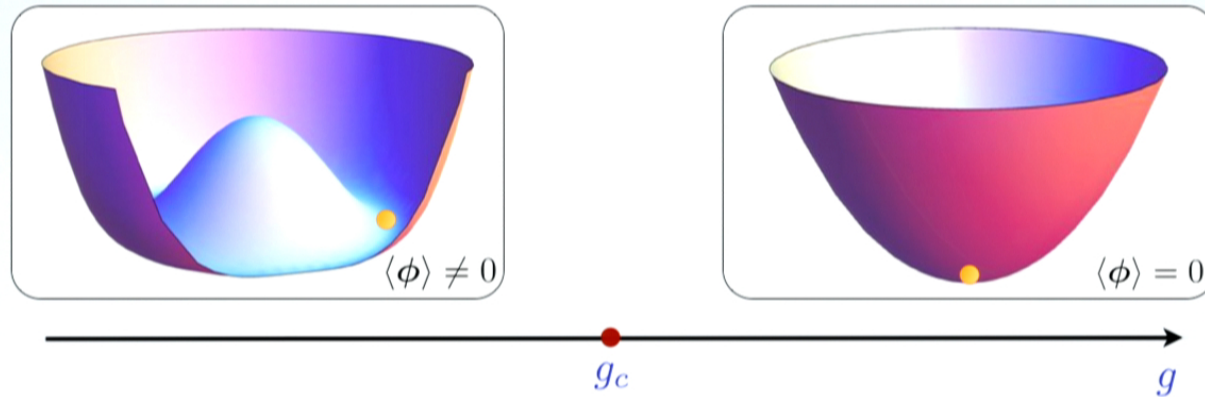
Visibility of the amplitude mode in condensed matter and cold atom systems

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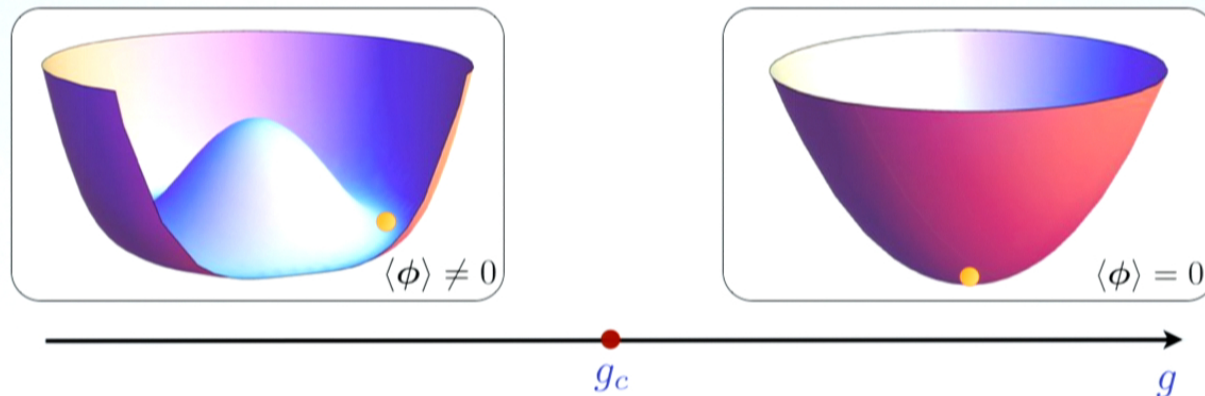


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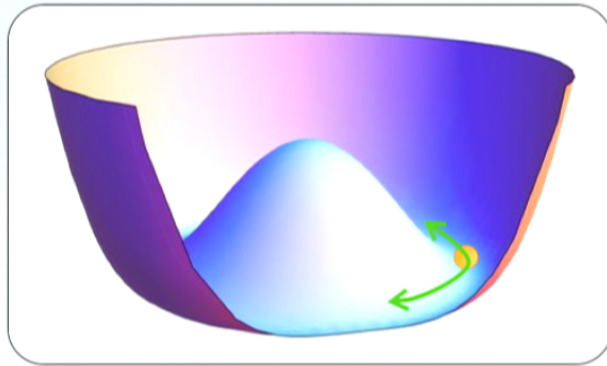
N -component real scalar field : $\phi^t = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N)$

Model action ($T=0$) : $S[\phi] = \frac{1}{g} \int d^d x \int dt \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial_t \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right]$

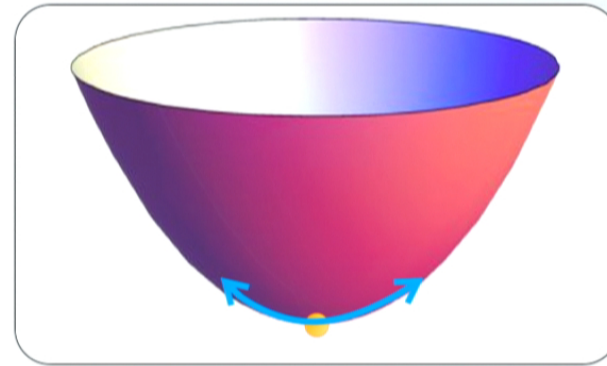
“Mexican hat” potential : $V(\phi) = \frac{m_0^2}{8N} (\phi^2 - N)^2$ O(N) symmetry

Basic physics : if g small, ϕ is forced to local minimum of V , and $\langle \phi \rangle \neq 0$
 if g large, fluctuations overwhelm tendency to order, $\langle \phi \rangle = 0$

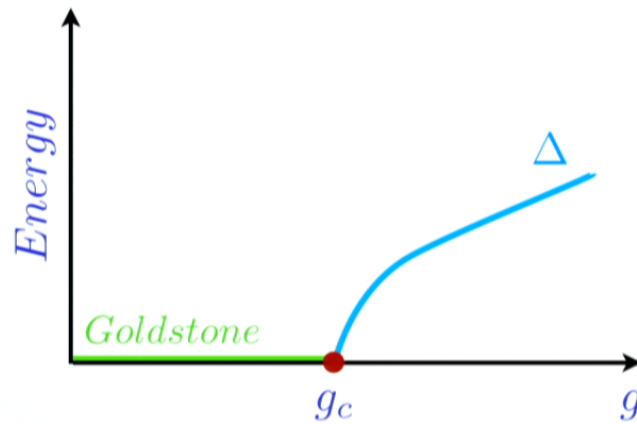
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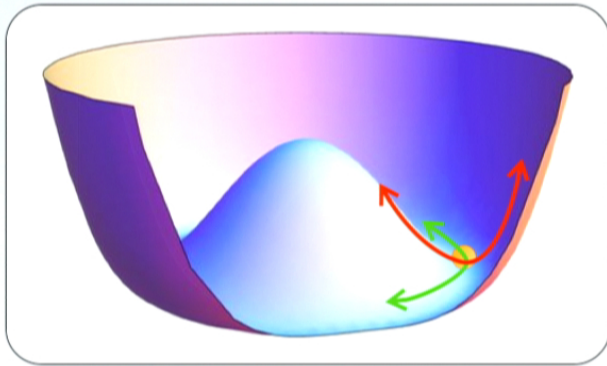
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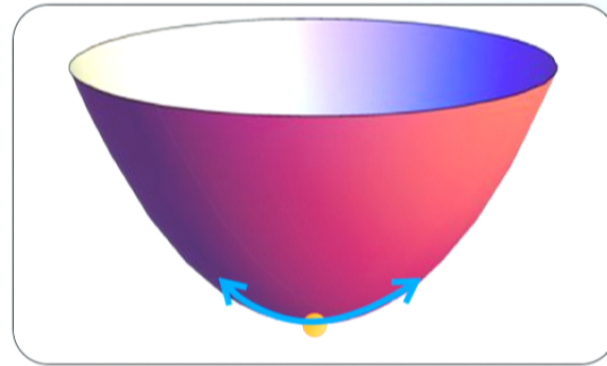
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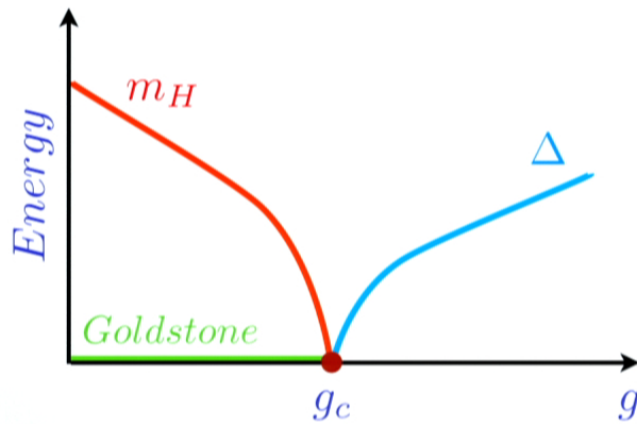
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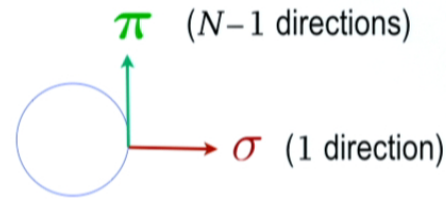
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Broken symmetry and collective modes

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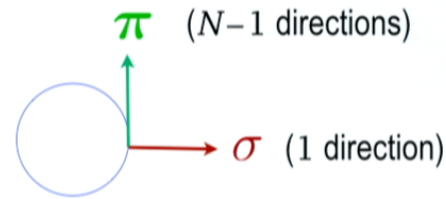
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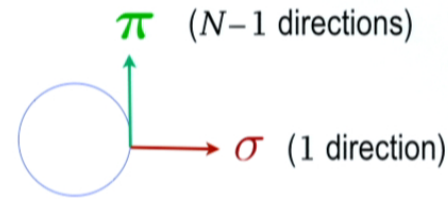
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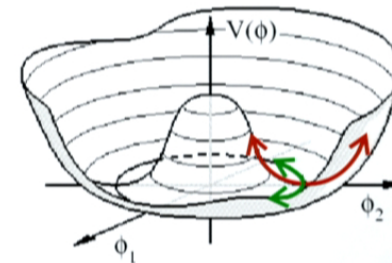
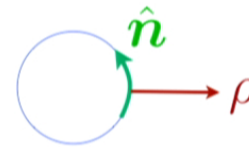
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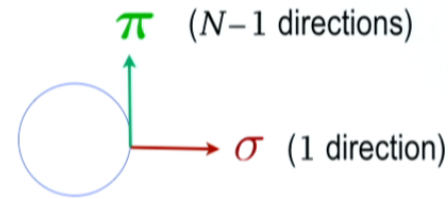


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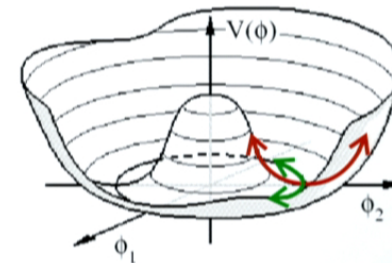
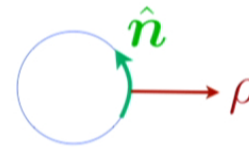
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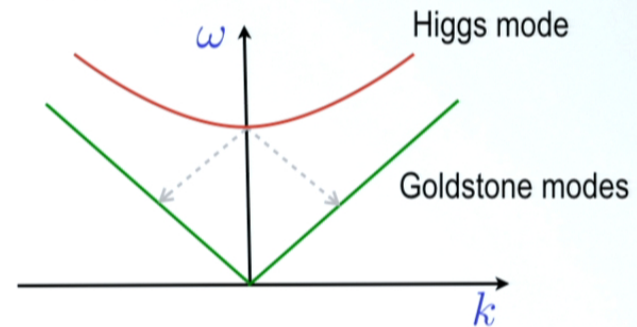
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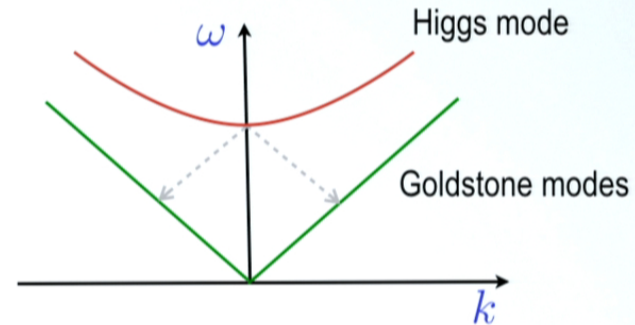
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$$\Sigma_\sigma(k) = \frac{k}{\sigma} \text{ (diagram)} \propto \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{p^2(p+k)^2} = \frac{1}{8|k|} \quad \boxed{\text{infrared divergent!}}$$

Analytic continuation from Euclidean result : $\text{Im } \Sigma_\sigma(\mathbf{k} = 0, \omega) \propto \frac{1}{\omega}$

Higgs is overdamped?

(Nepomnyaschii)² (1978)
Sachdev (1999), Zwerger (2004)

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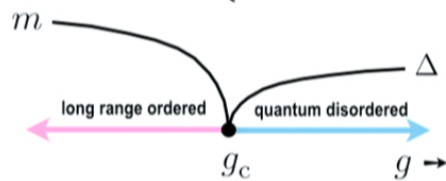
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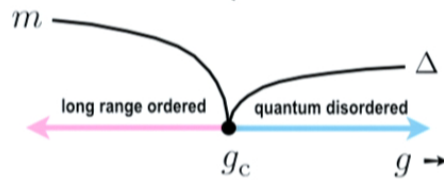
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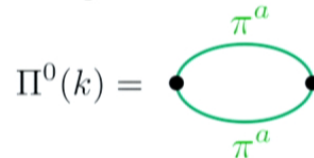
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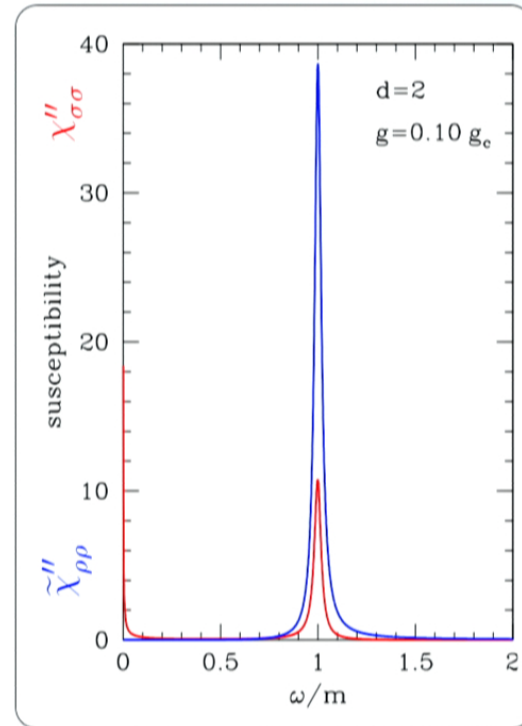
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(Ward identity)

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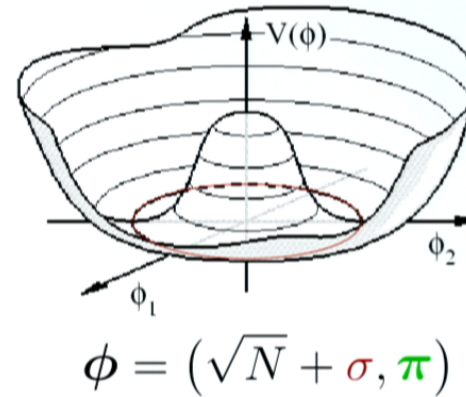


Why are scalar measurements sharper?

Longitudinal *versus* scalar perturbations :

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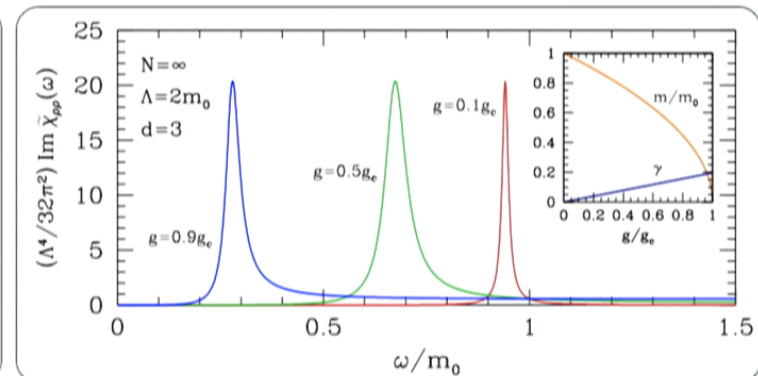
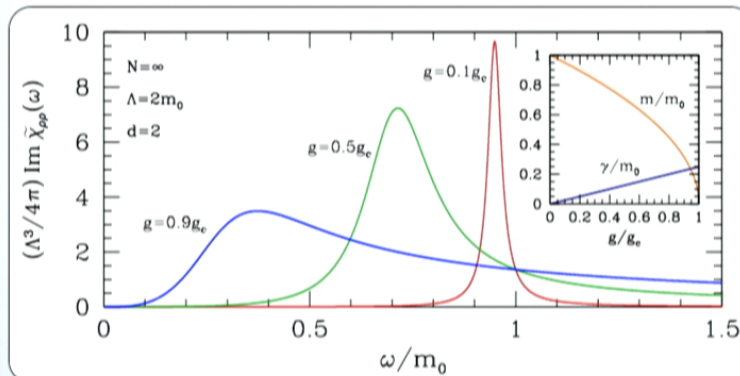
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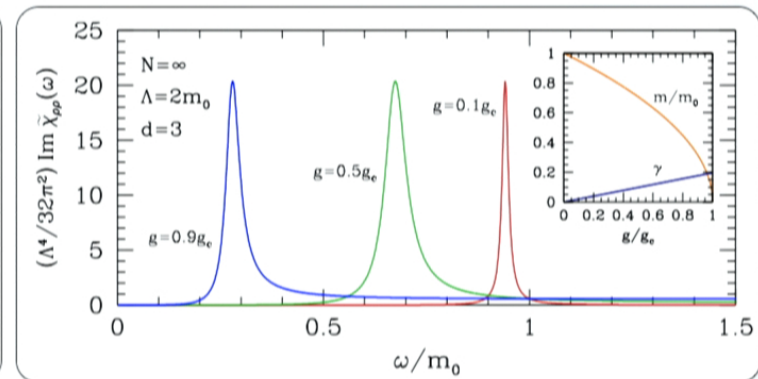
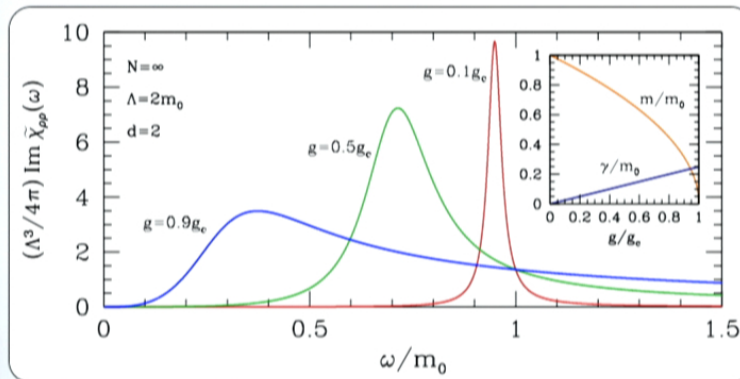
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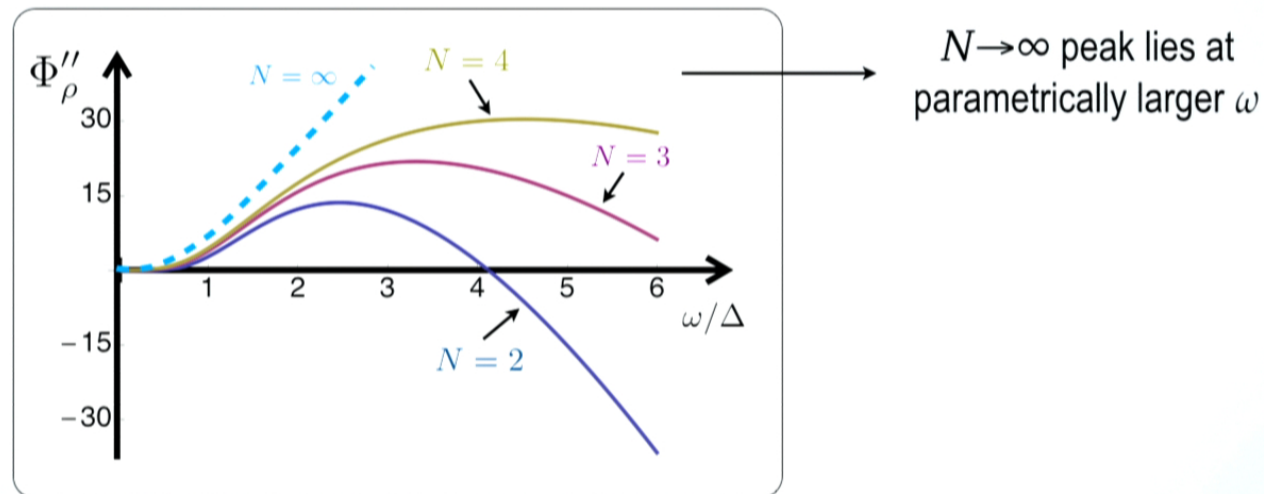
$O(1/N)$ calculations Podolsky and Sachdev, 2012

Near g_c , the scalar response function satisfies a scaling relation (d=2):

$$\chi_{\rho\rho}(\omega) = \Delta^{3-2/\nu} \Phi_{\rho} \left(\frac{\omega}{\Delta} \right)$$

where $\Delta \sim |g - g_c|^\nu$ is the Higgs mass, and $\nu = 0.6717(1)$ (for $N=2$)

Recall that for $N \rightarrow \infty$, the peak in $\chi_{\rho\rho}$ lies at $\omega \propto (g - g_c)^{1/2}$



Lattice boson models O(2) symmetry

Bose-Hubbard model:

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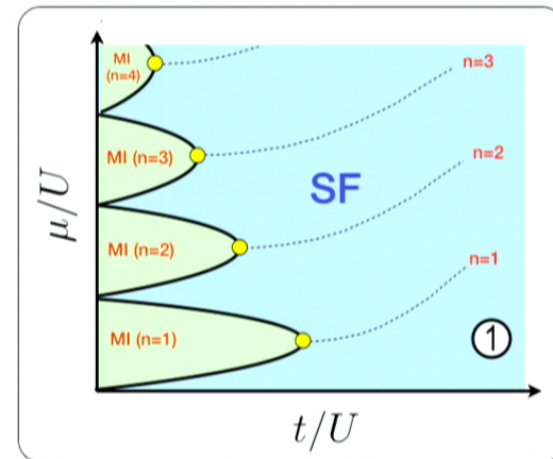
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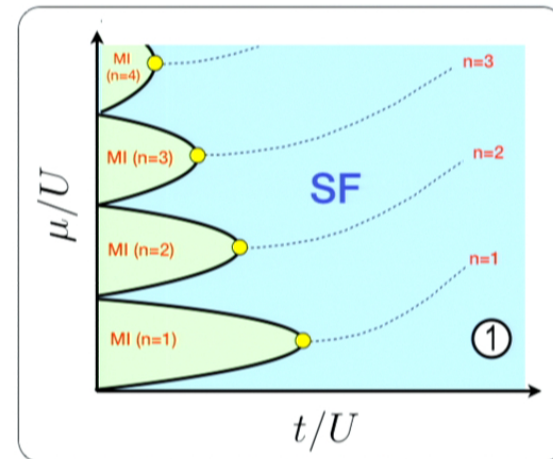
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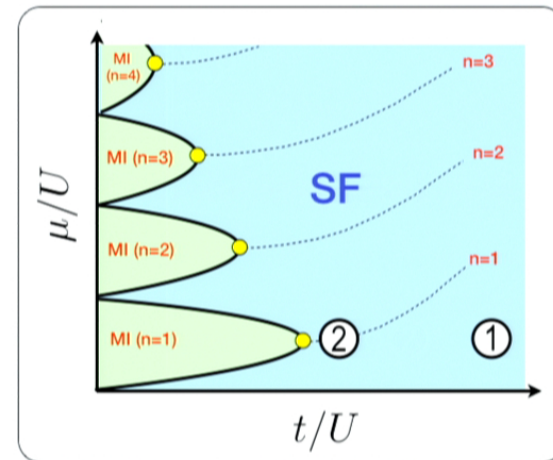
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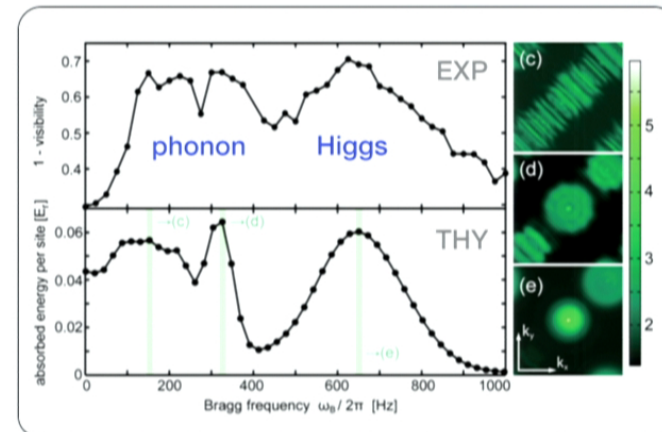
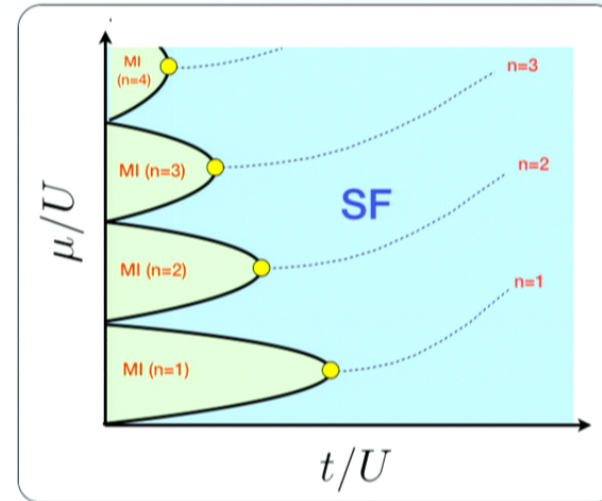


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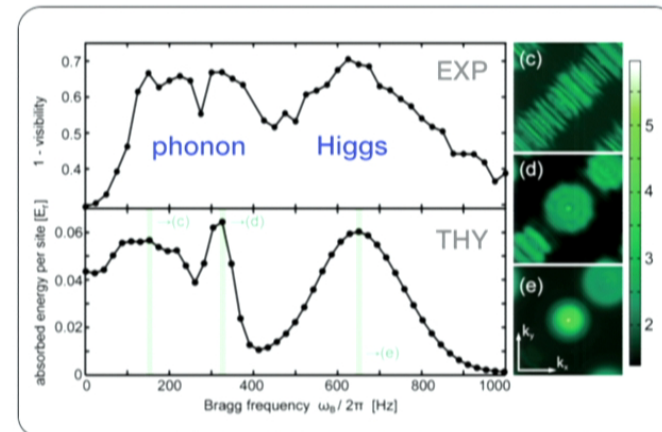
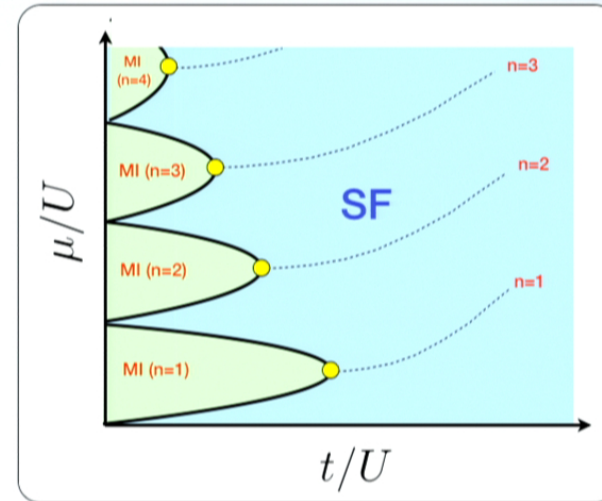
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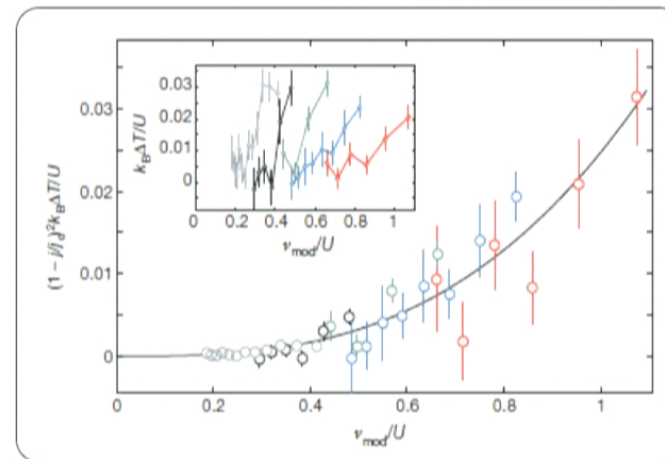
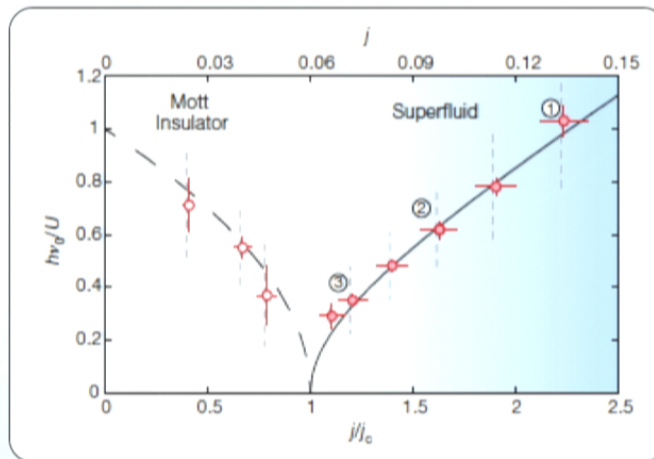
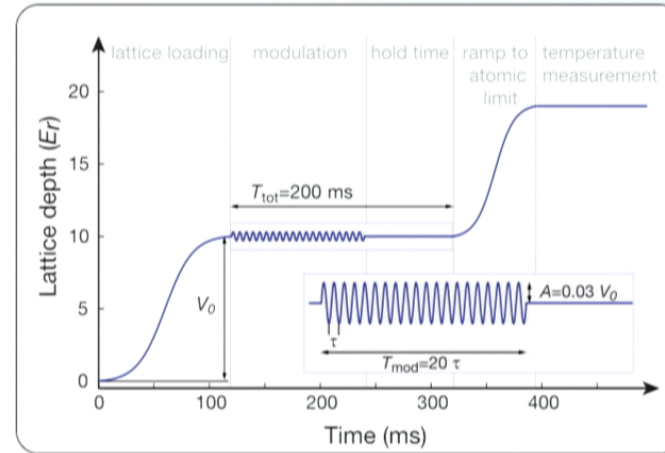


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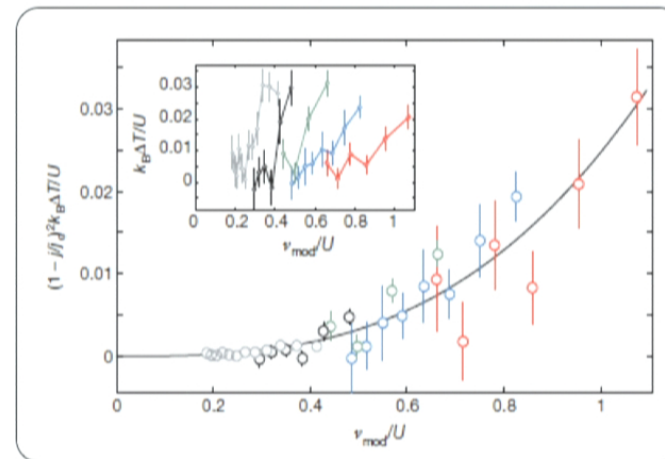
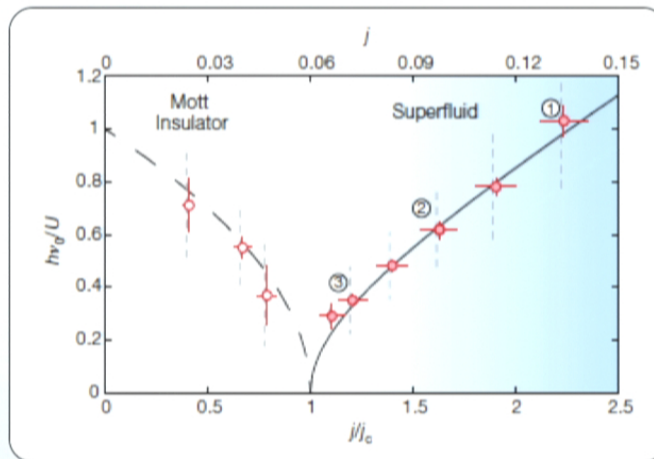
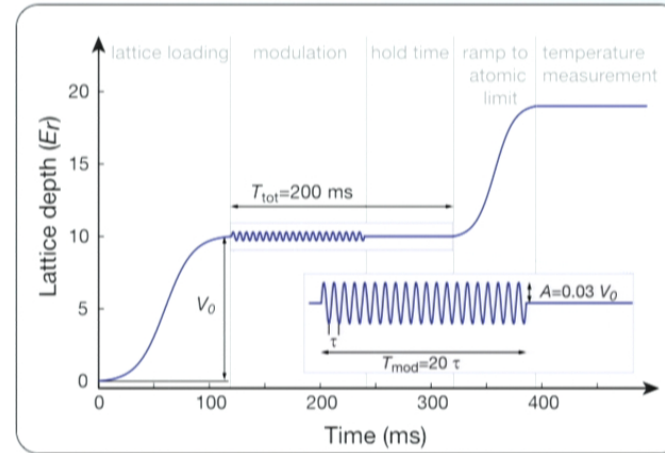
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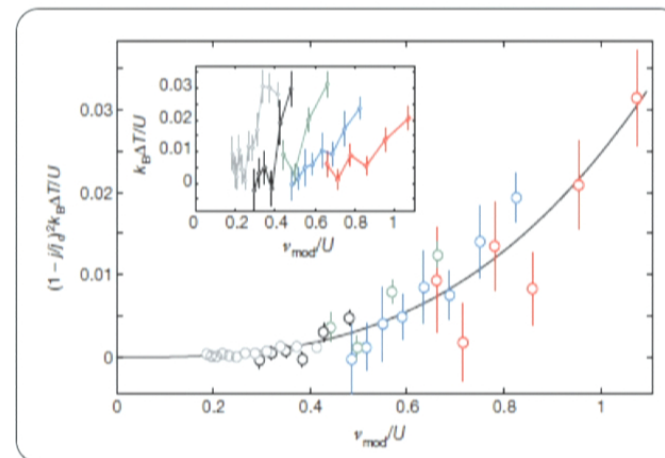
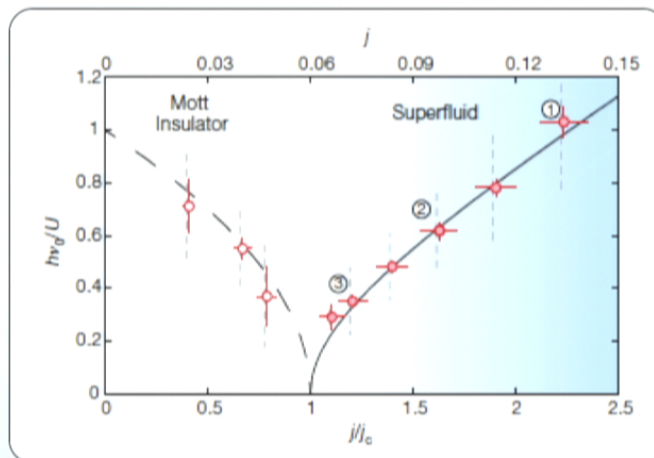
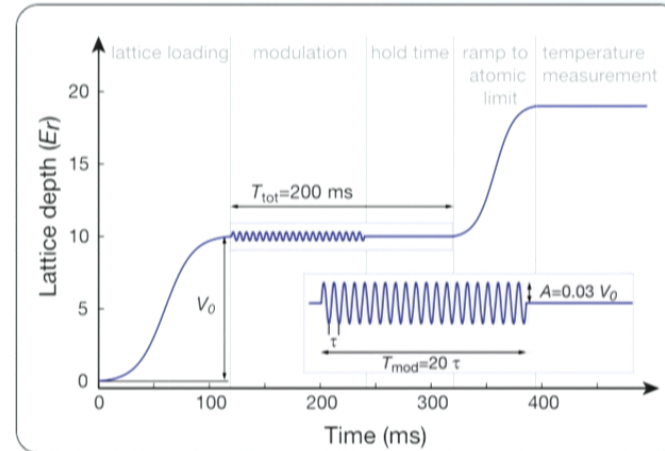
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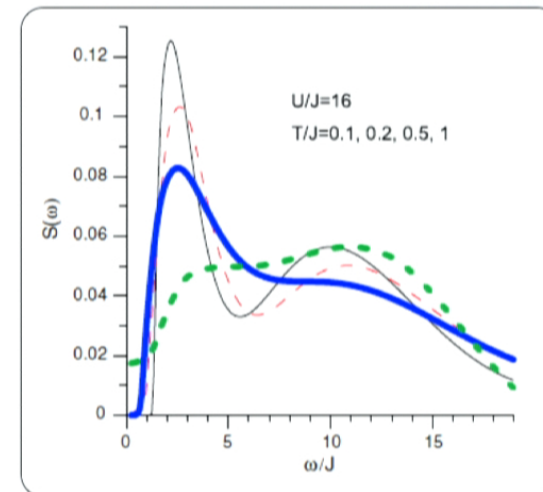
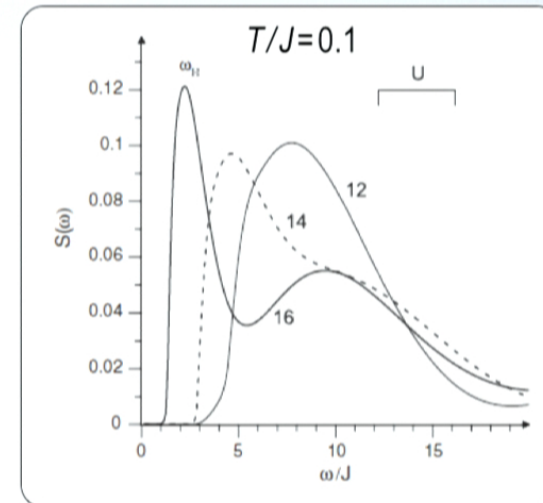
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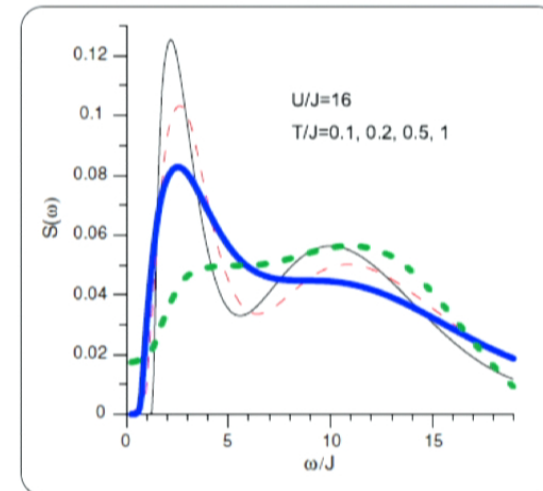
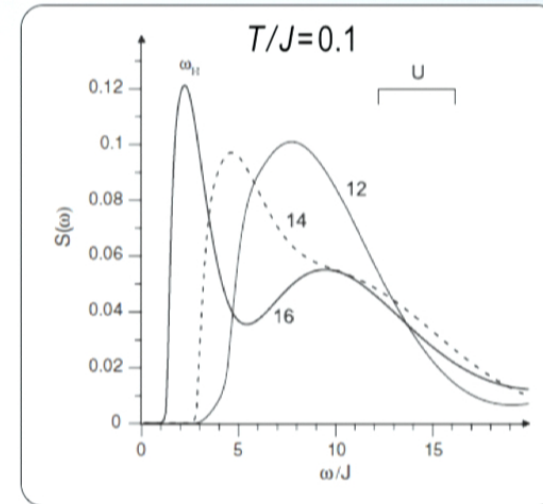
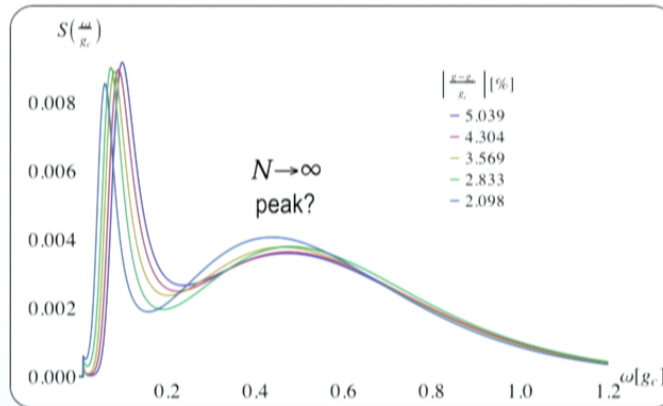
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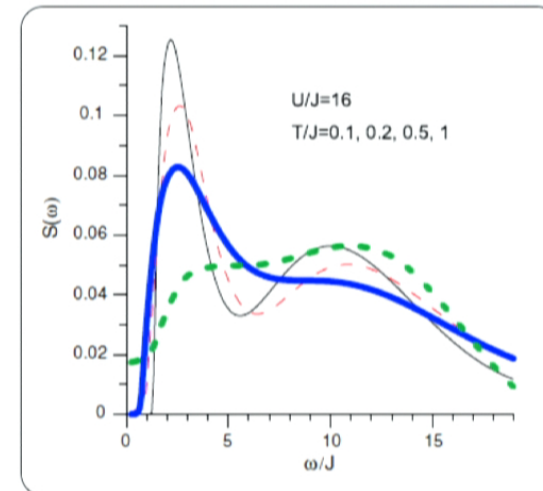
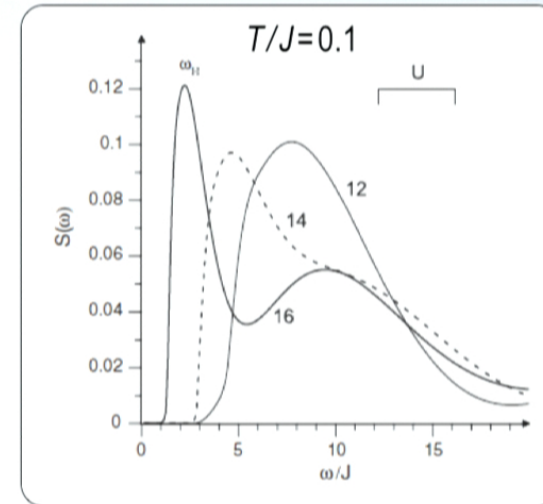
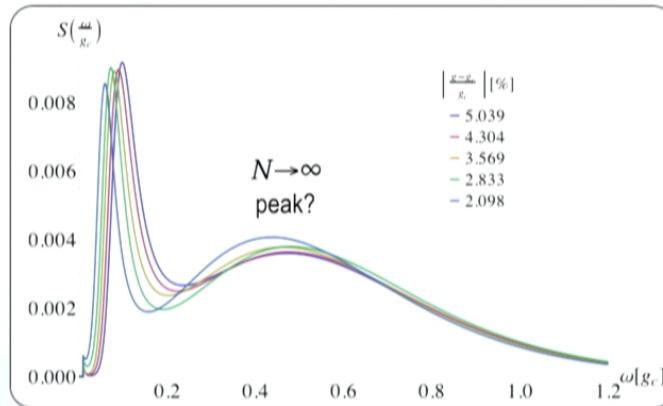
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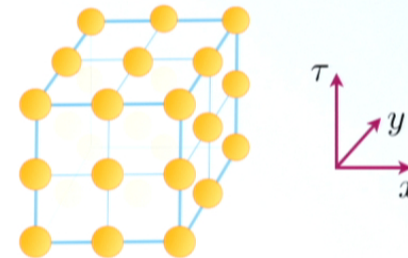


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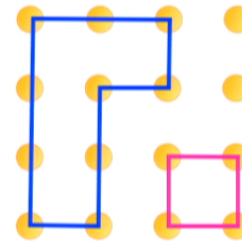
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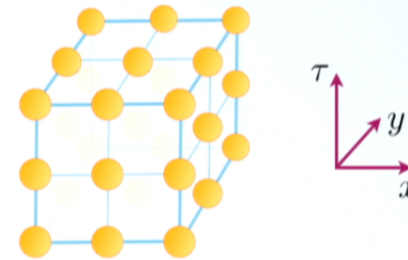
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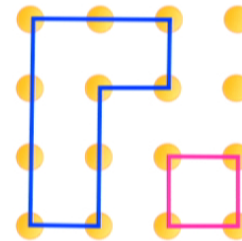
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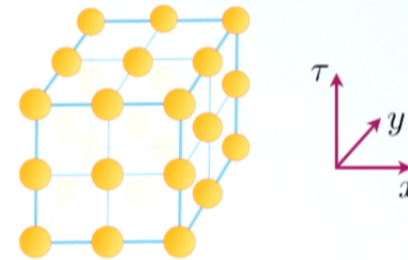
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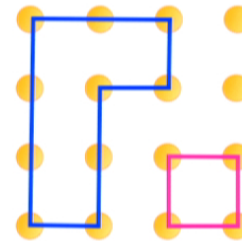
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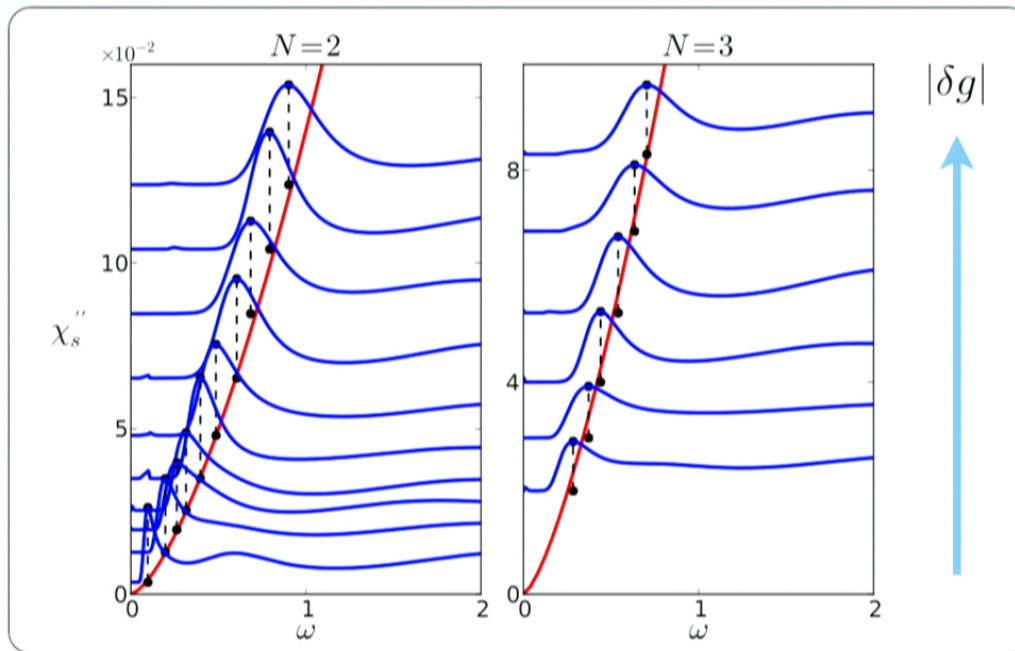


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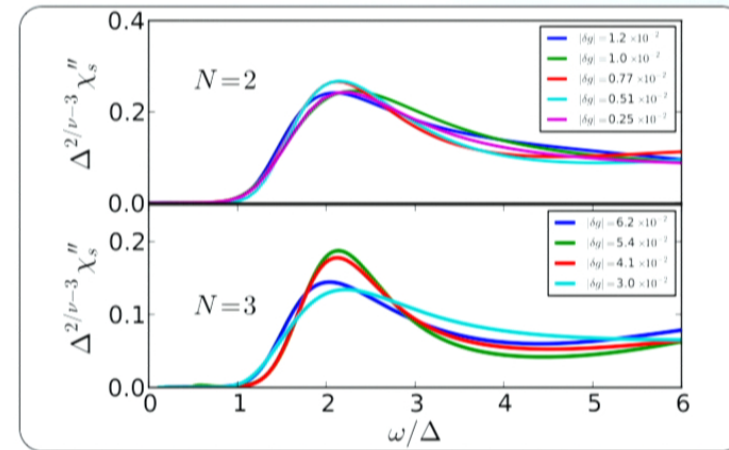
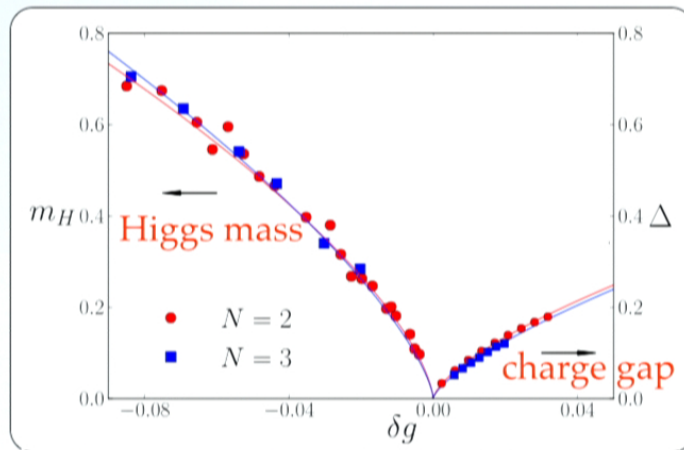
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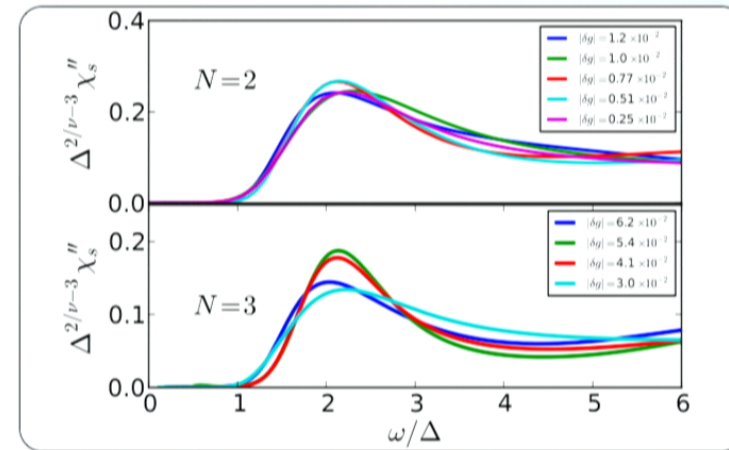
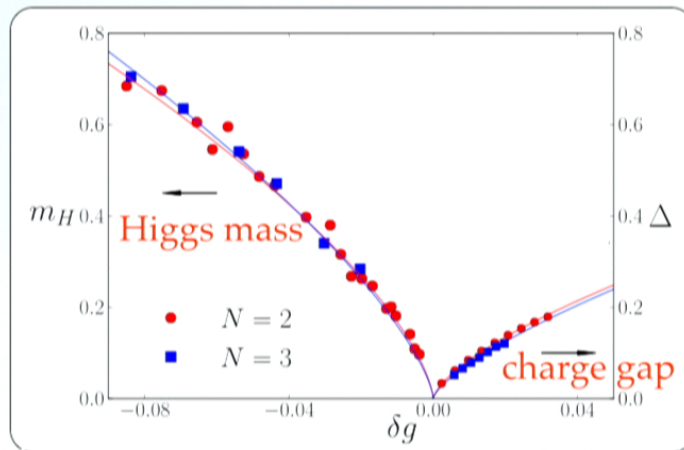
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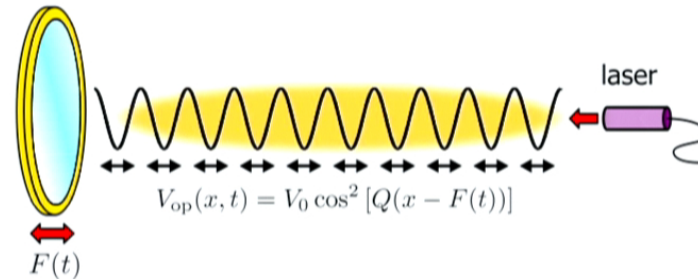
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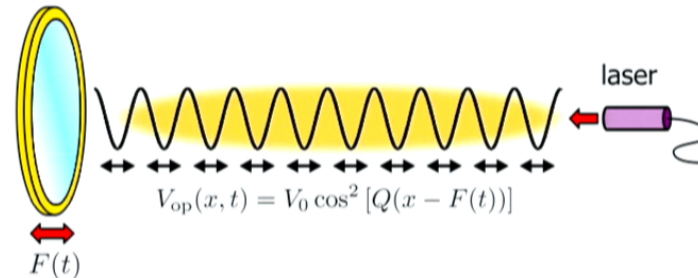


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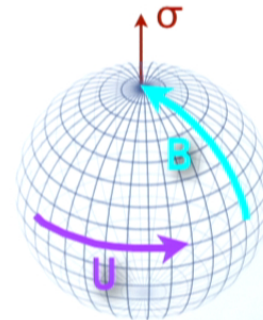
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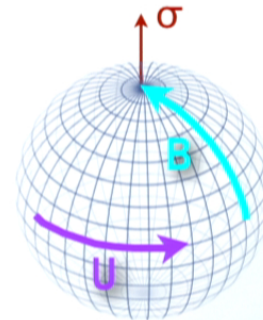
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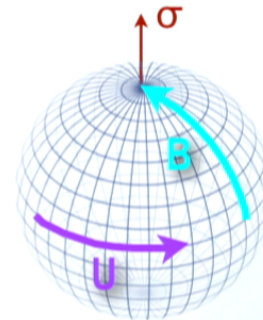
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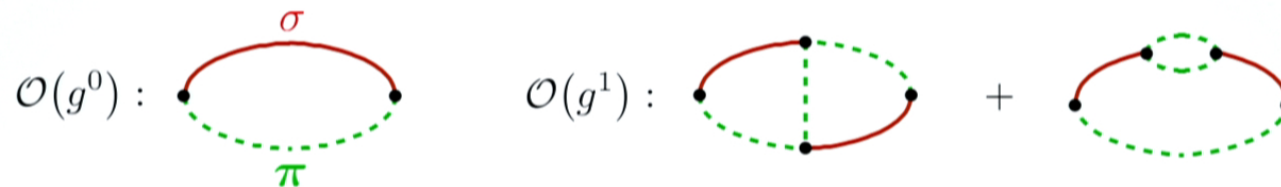
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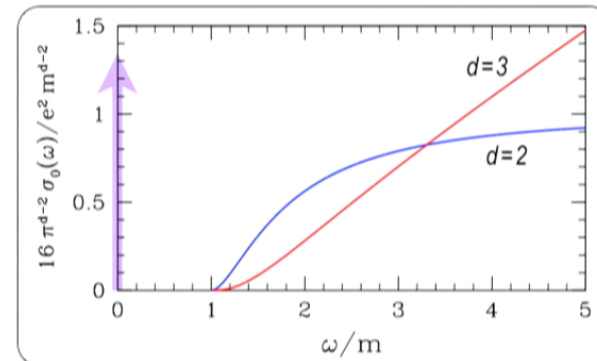


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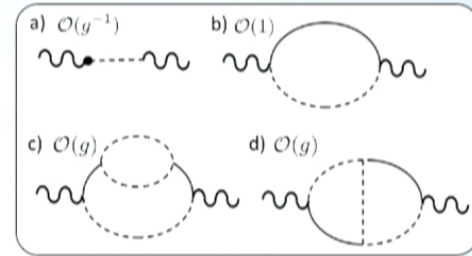
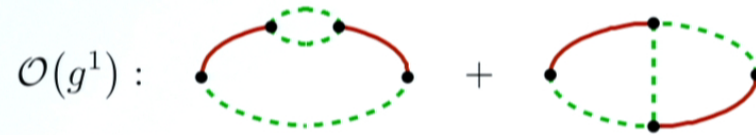
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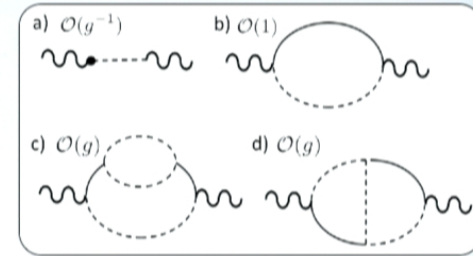
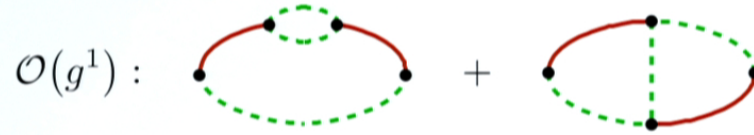
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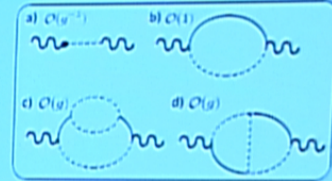


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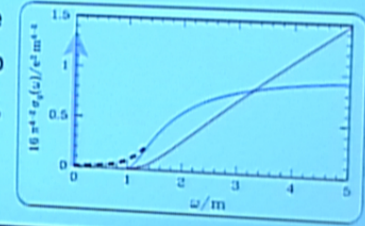
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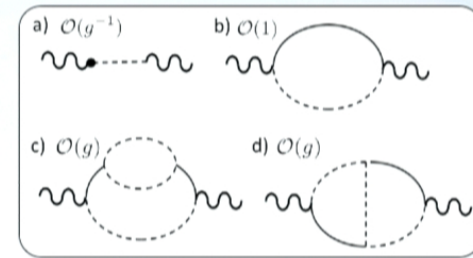
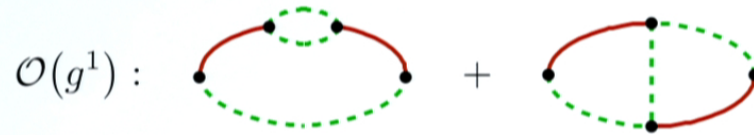
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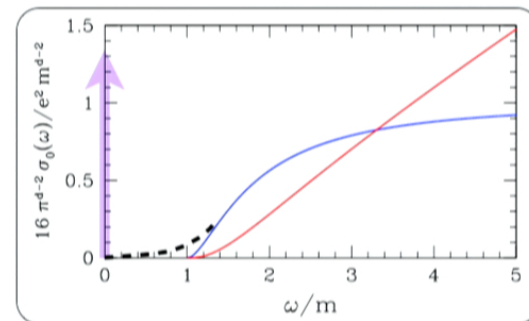
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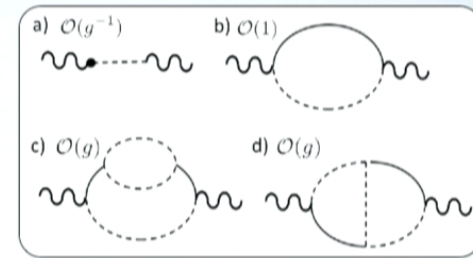
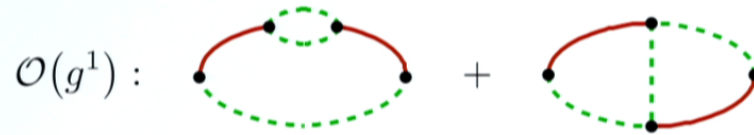
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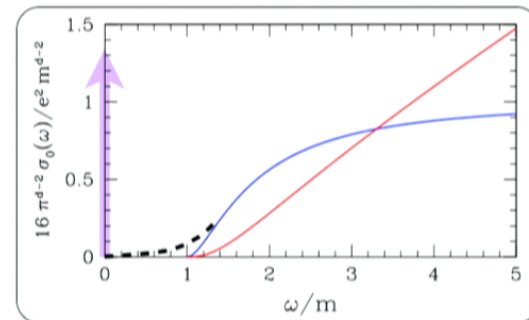
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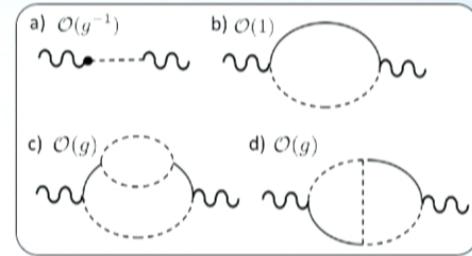
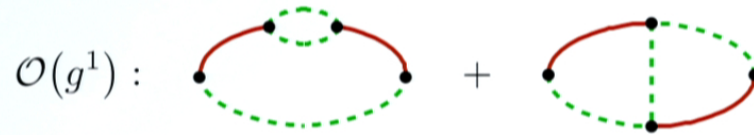
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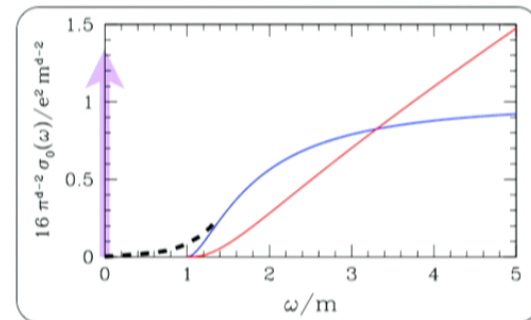
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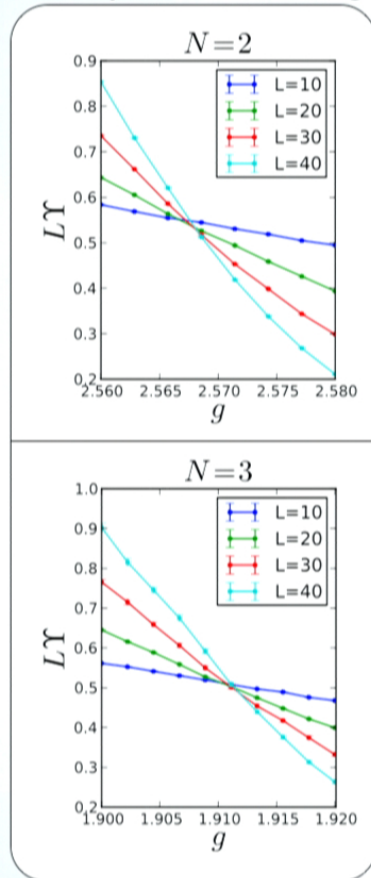
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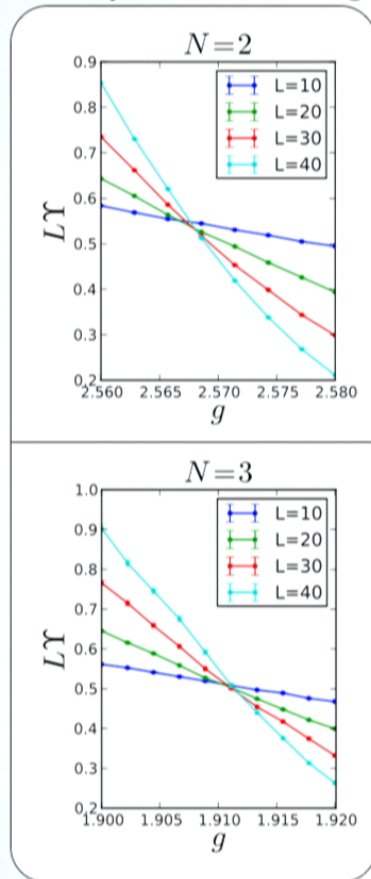
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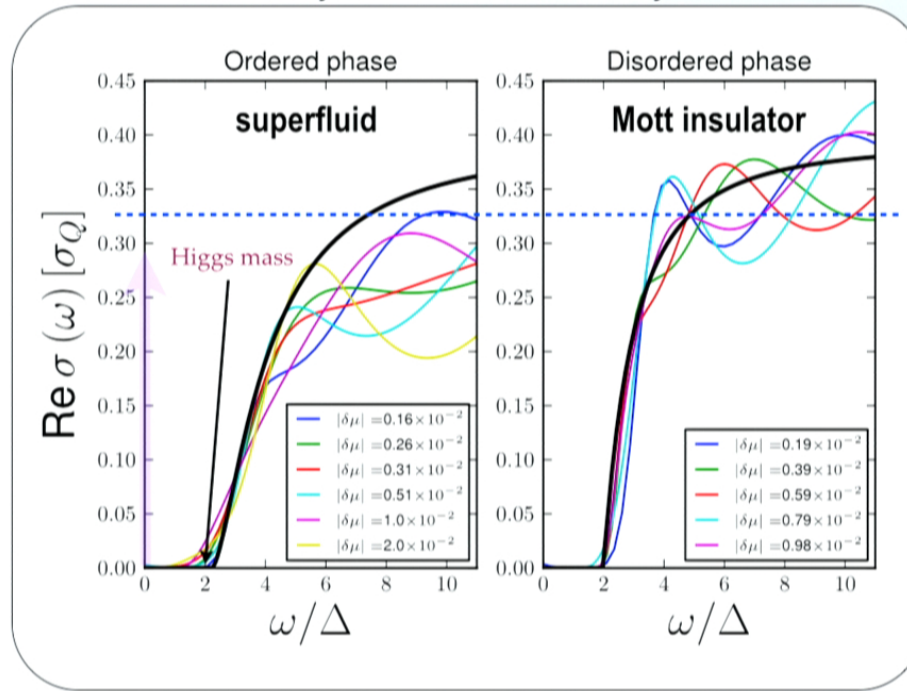
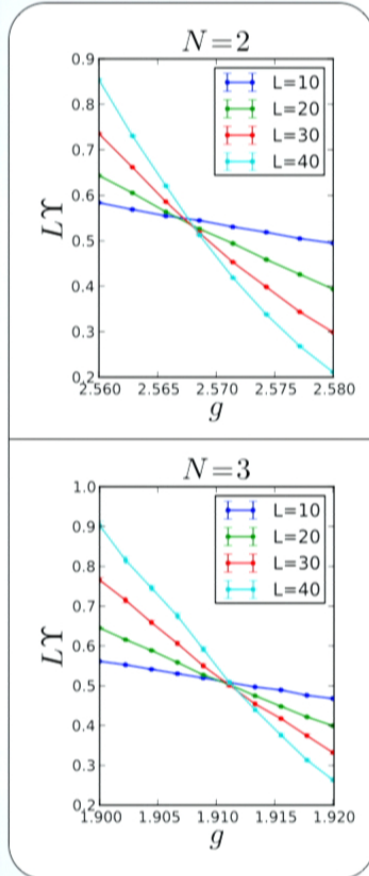


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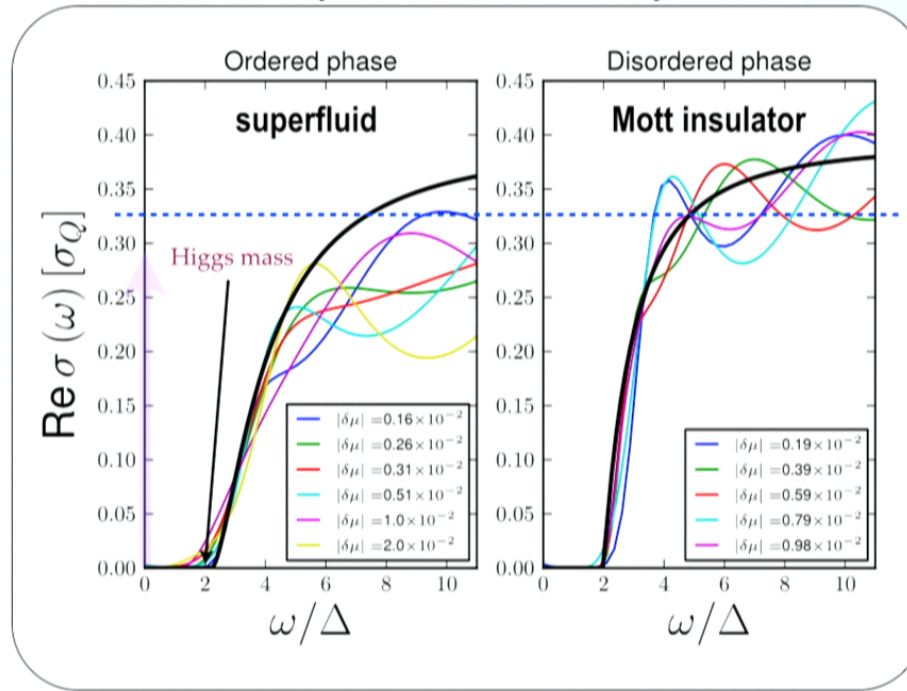
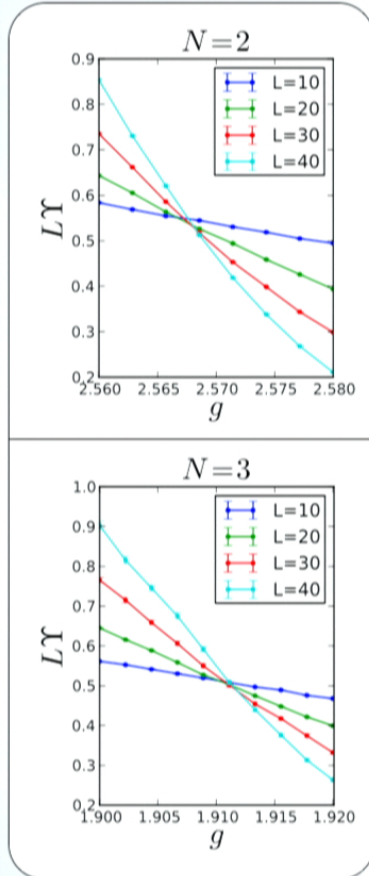
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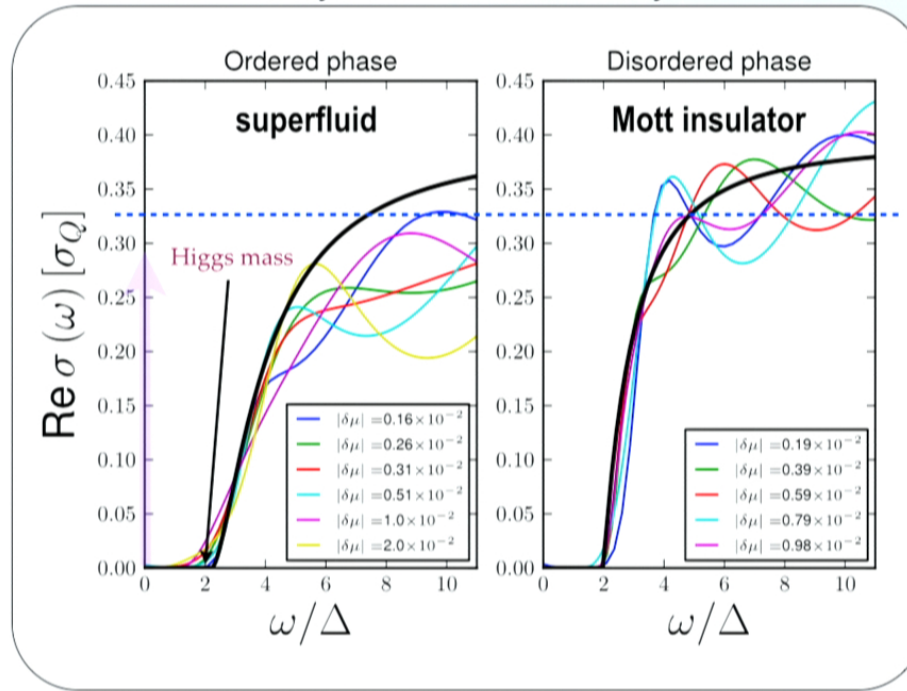
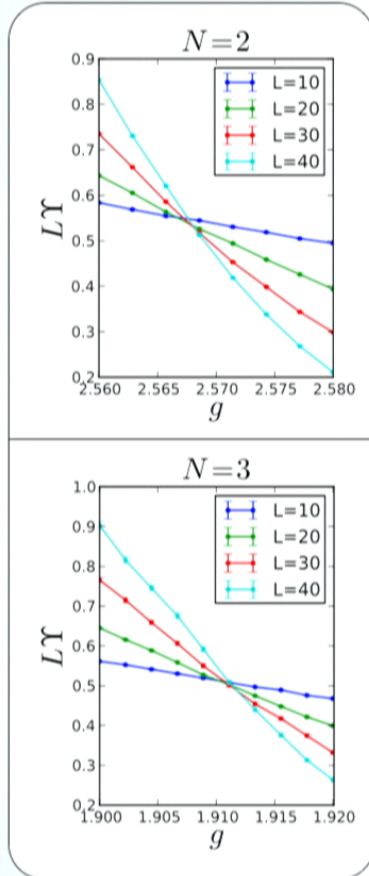
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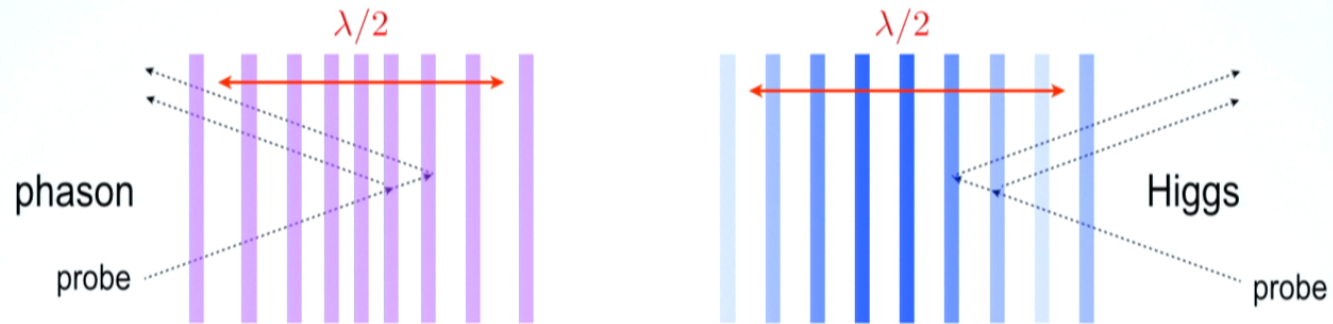
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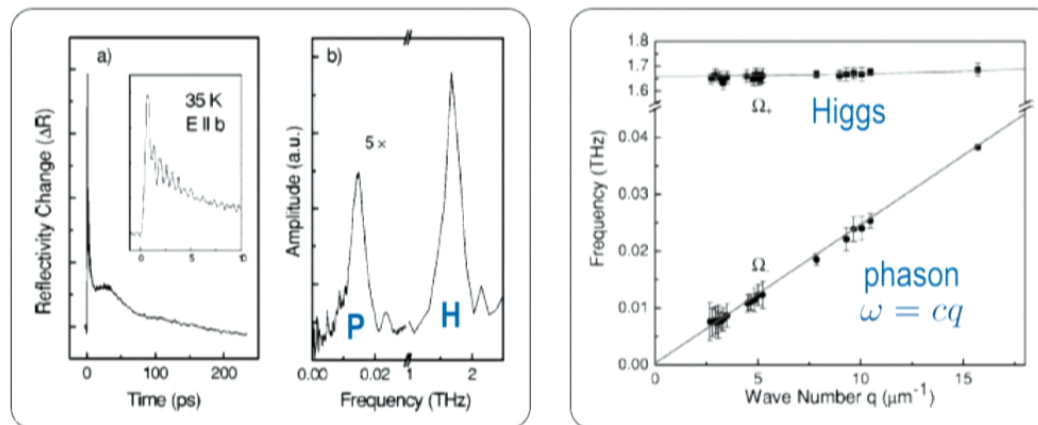
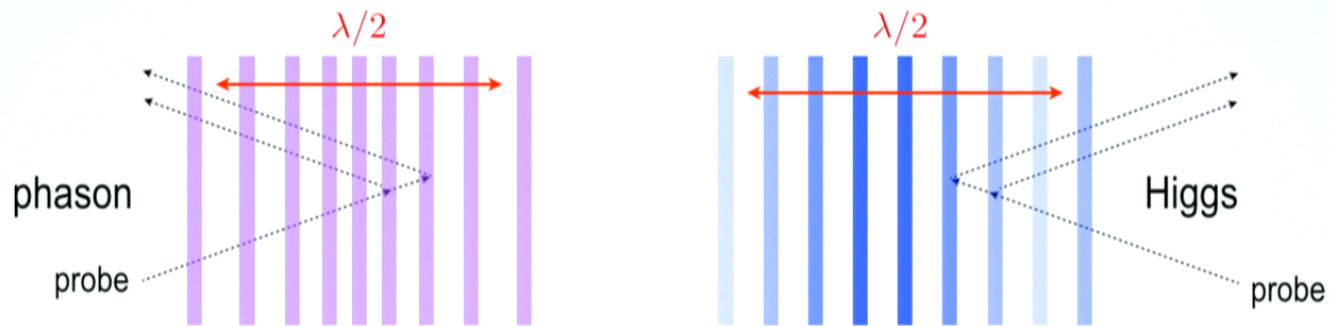
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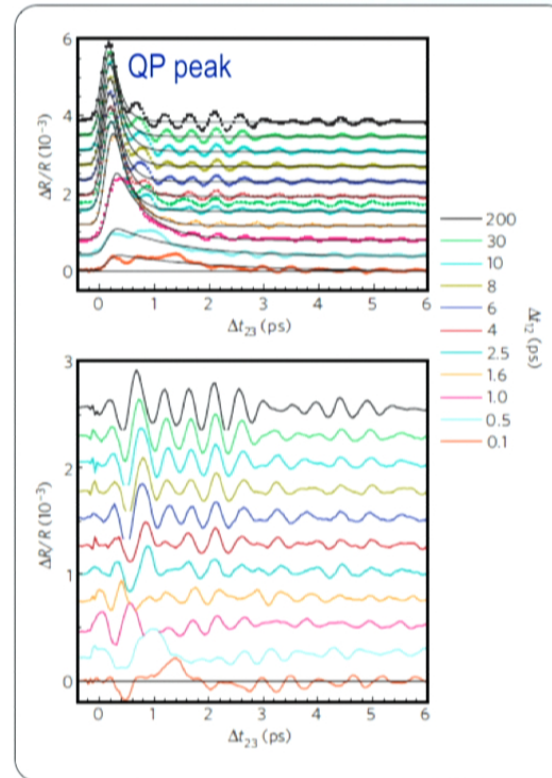
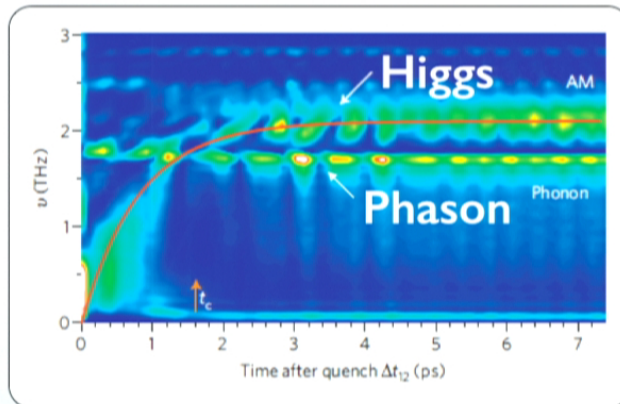
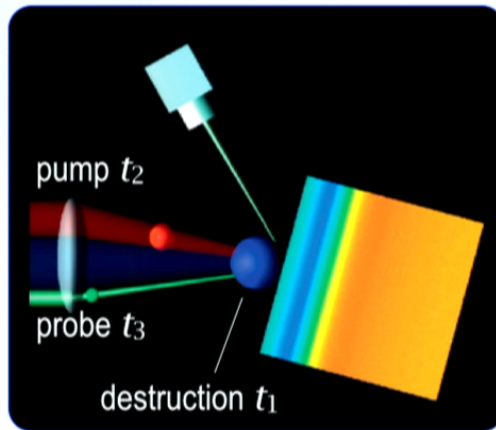


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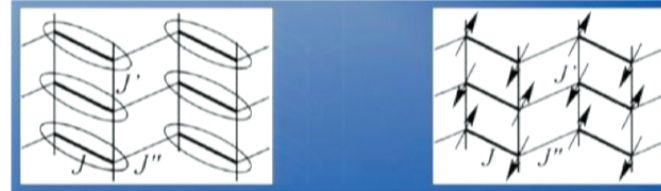


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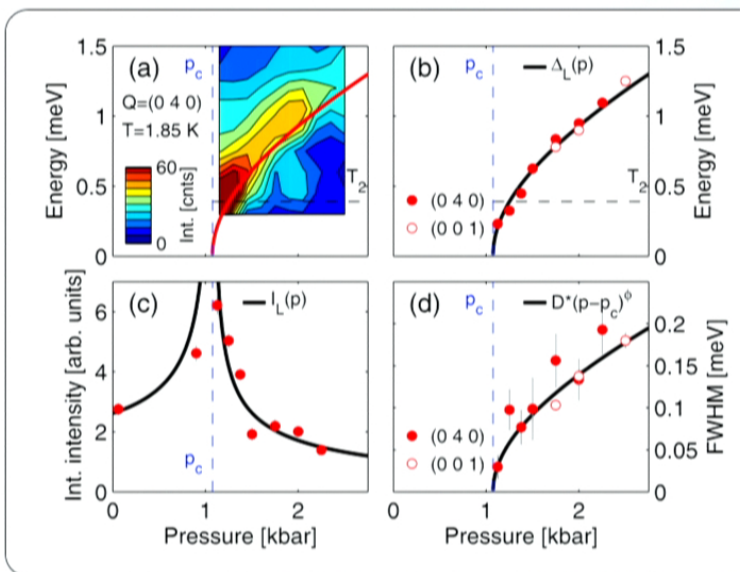
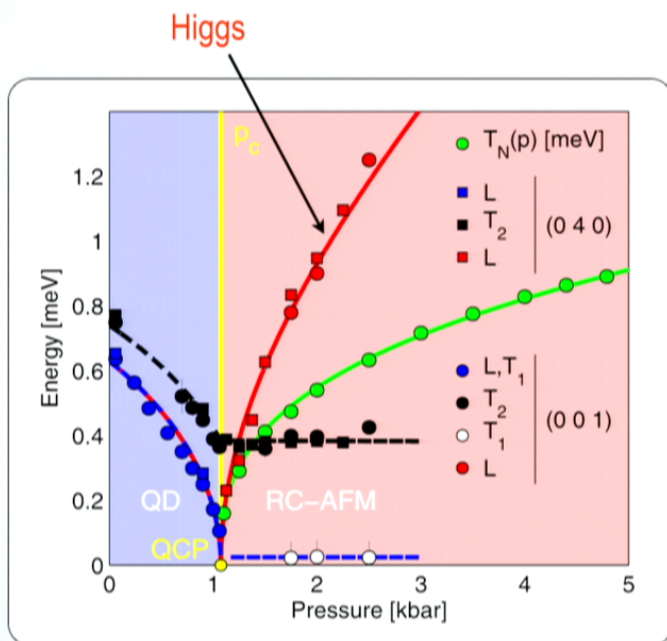
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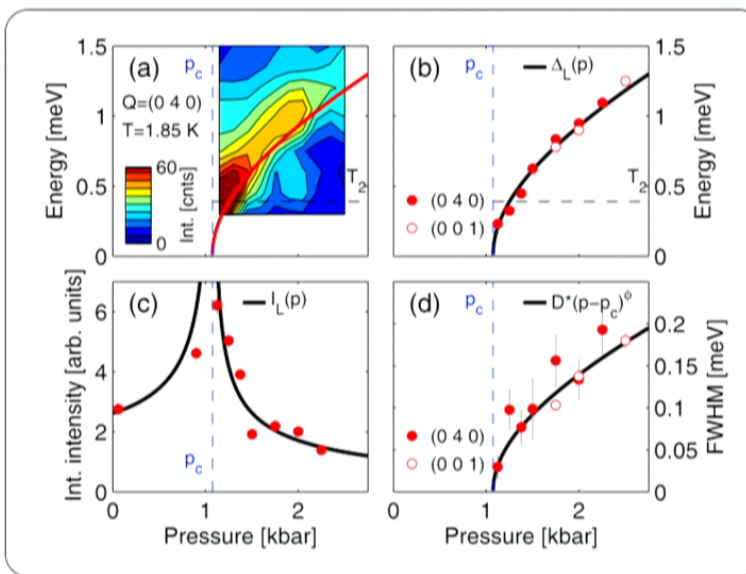
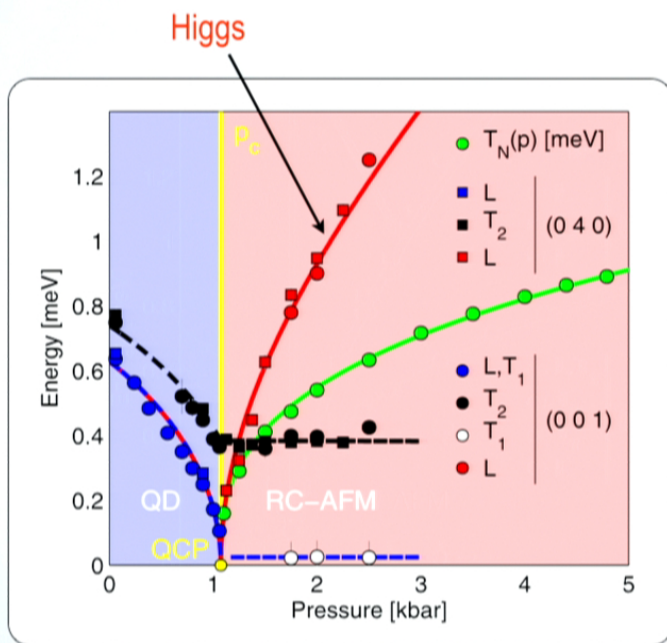
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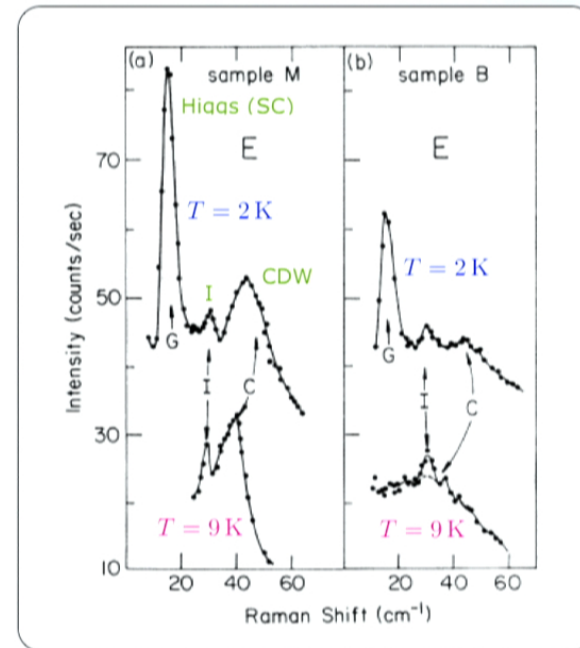
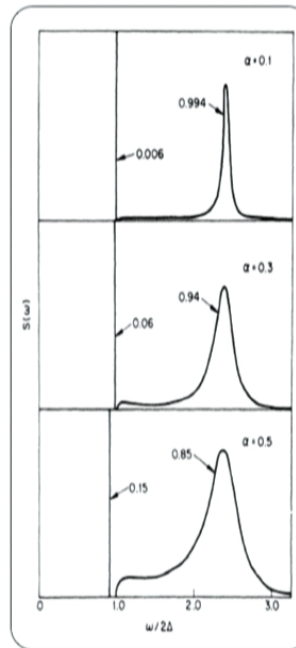
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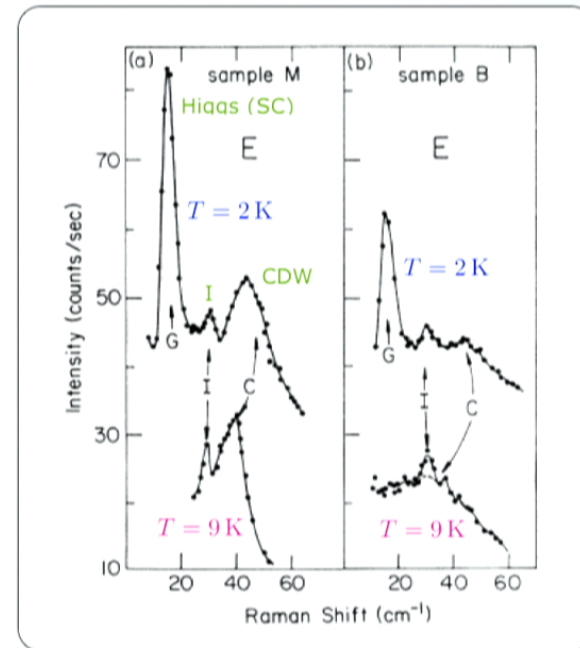
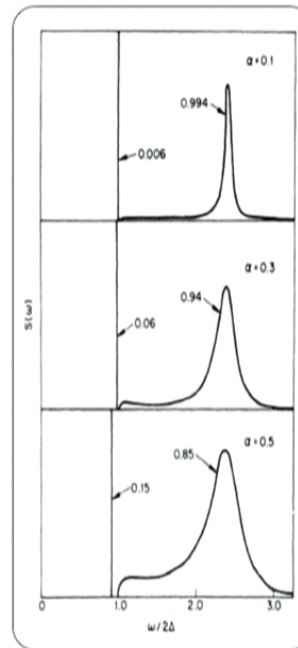
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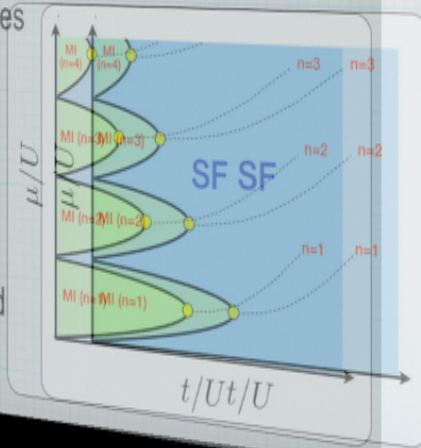
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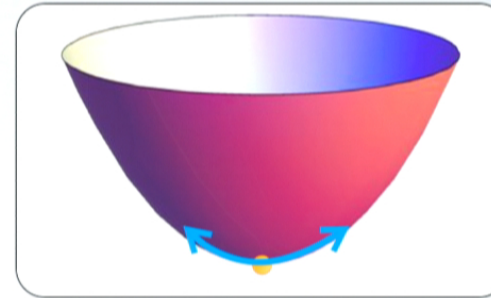
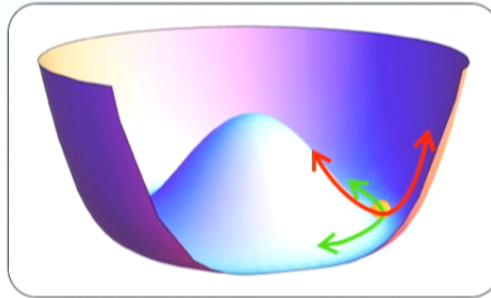
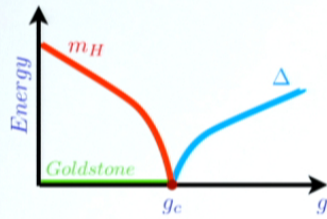
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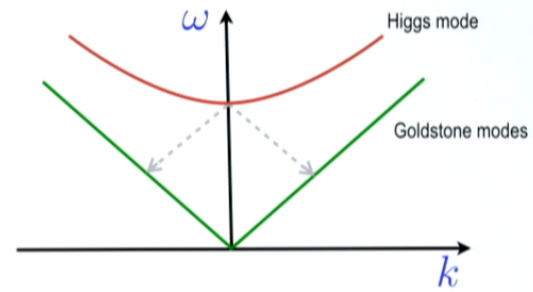


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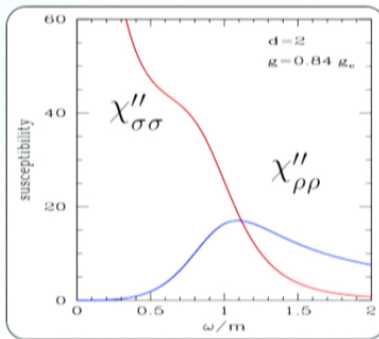
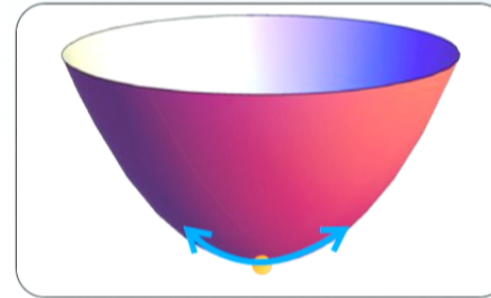
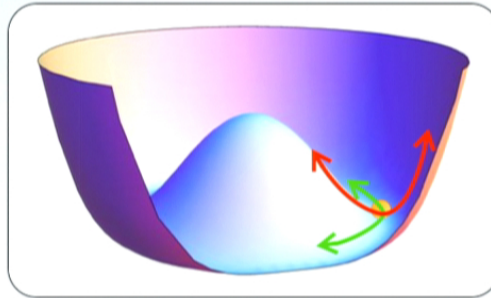
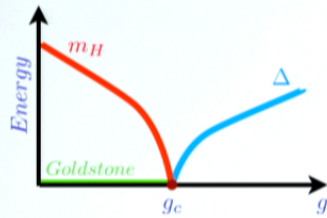
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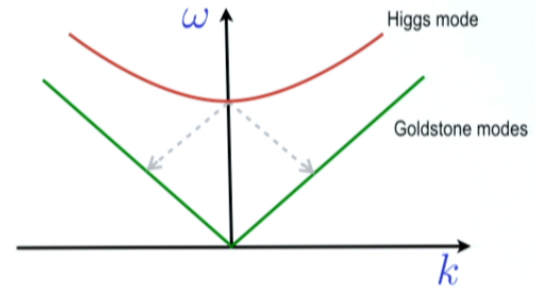


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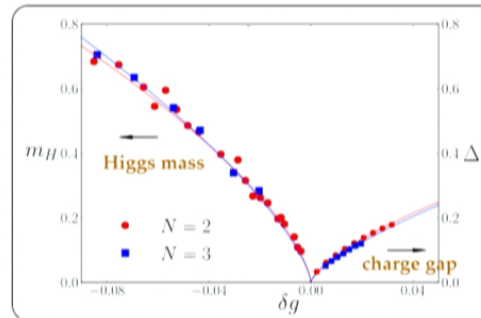


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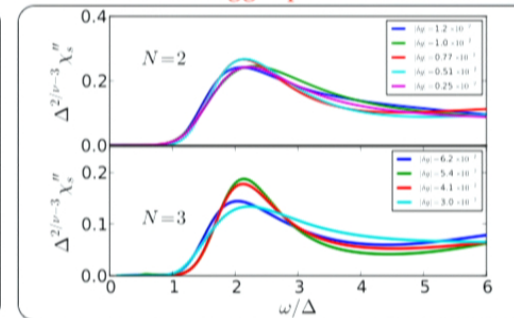
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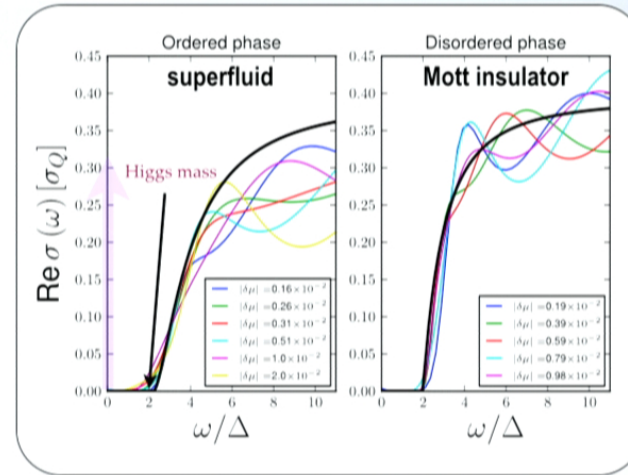
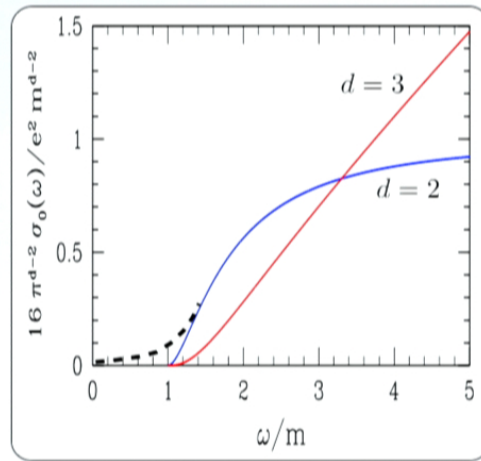
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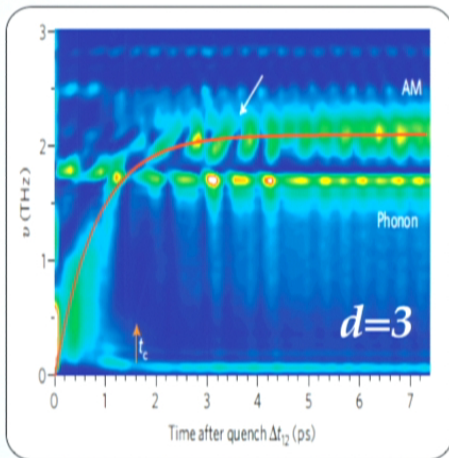
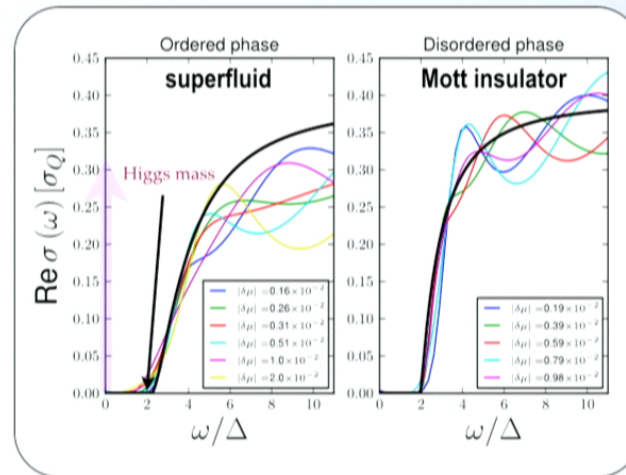
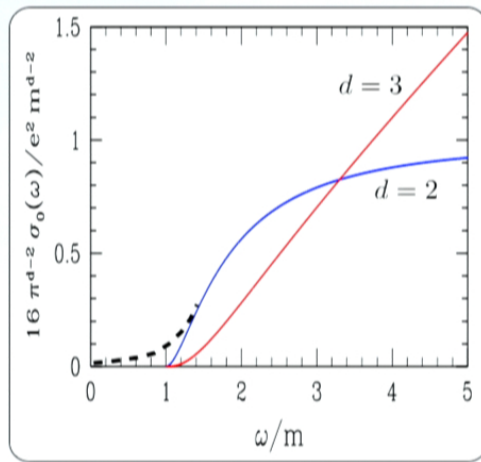
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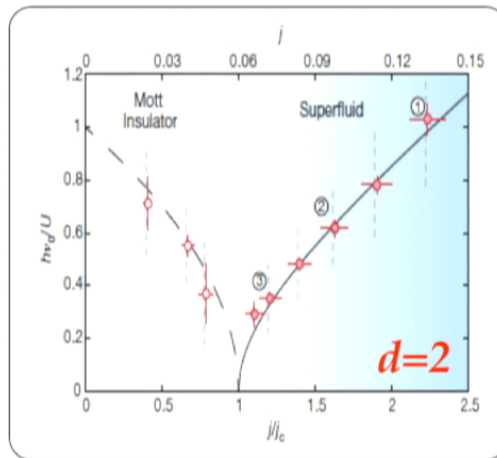
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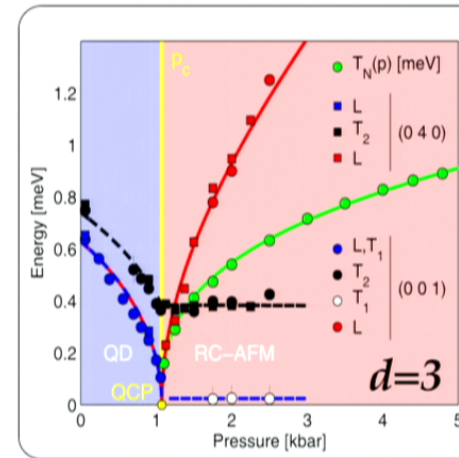
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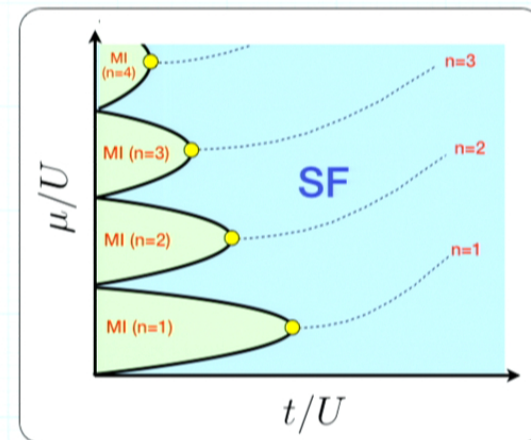
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