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Abstract: <span> The quantum spin liquid is an emergent new state of matter, which has attracted a lot of recent attention. In particular, the time reversal symmetry broken spin liquid (Kalmeyer et. al. and Wen et. al.), characterized by the chiral ordering and fractionalized quasi-particle as a realization of the fractional quantum Hall state had been proposed for more than 20 years, but never identified as the true ground state in any more generic (e.g. Heisenberg spin exchange) models with time reversal symmetry. Here I will report two concrete examples where chiral spin liquid (CSL) emerge for a range of parameter space for kagome J1-J2-J3 (three nearest neighbors) model based on accurate density matrix renormalization group (DMRG) simulations. We identify long-range chiral ordering, ground state degeneracy, characteristic entanglement spectra, and the fractionalized topological Chern number to establish the topological state in such a system as the long-sought CSL. We further explicitly extract the modular matrix, which captures all the information of the fractional statistics of the quasi-particles in the system. I will also discuss the close relation of our model to some frustrated kagome antiferromagnets, and make a conjecture that J1 kagome model is near an unconventional critical point. I will conclude the talk with some discussions of the open directions.</span>

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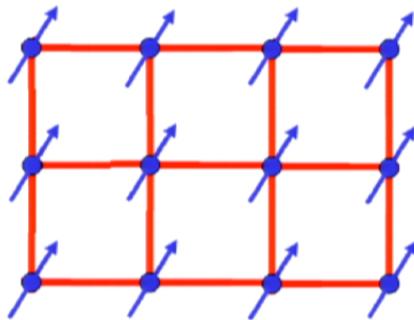
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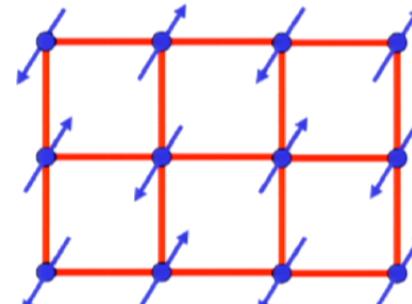
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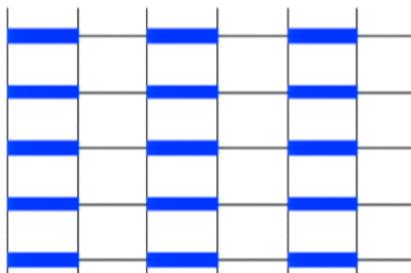
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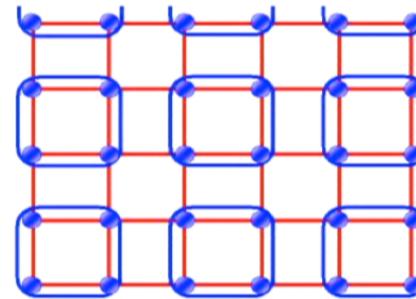
Ferromagnetic order



Antiferromagnetic order with NN J1

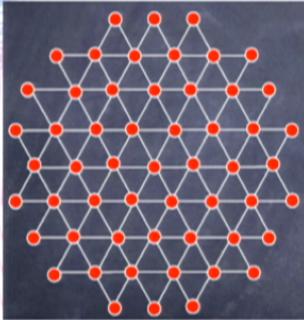


Valence Bond Solid (VBS) order

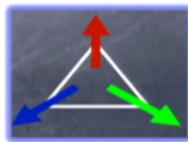


Plaquette VBS (possibly identified in J1-J2 square model)

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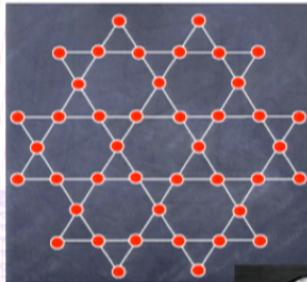
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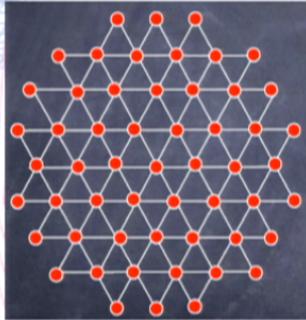
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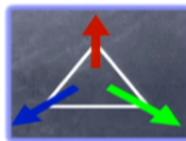
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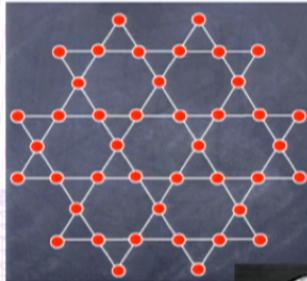
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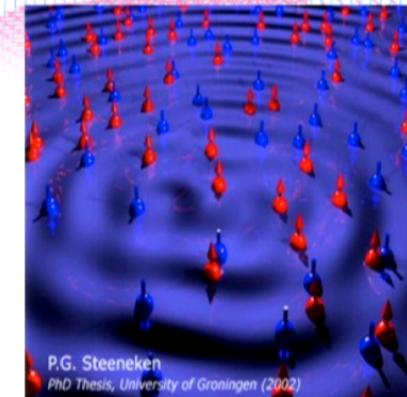
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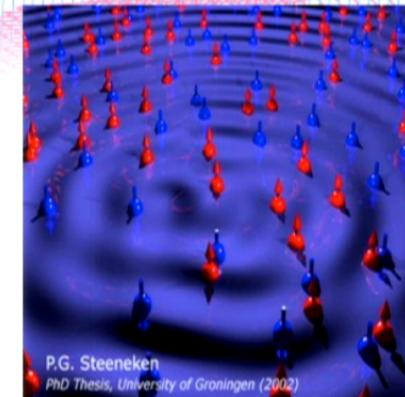
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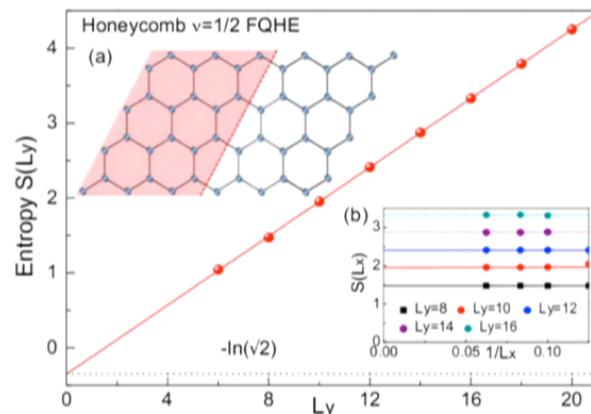
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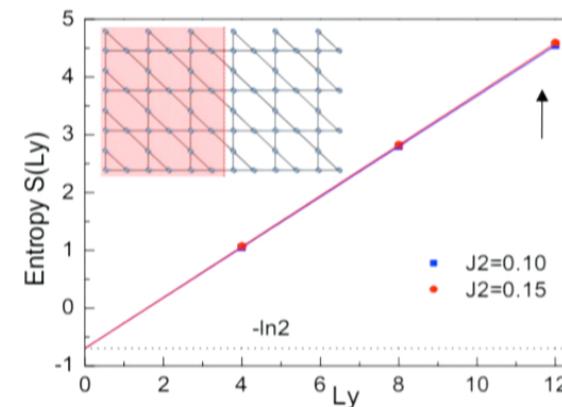
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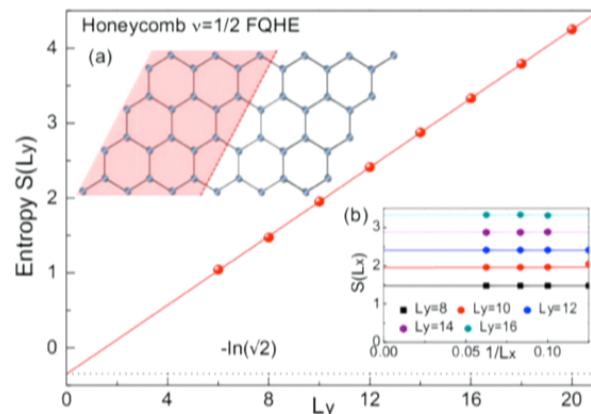
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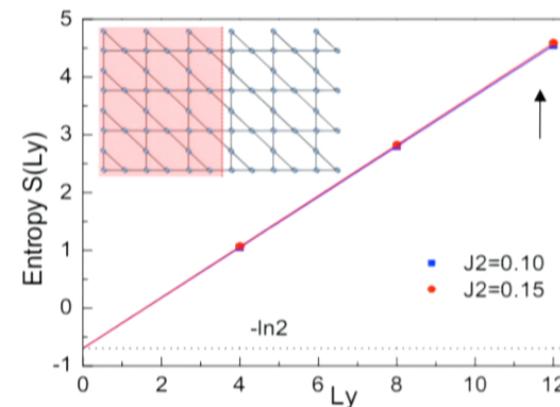
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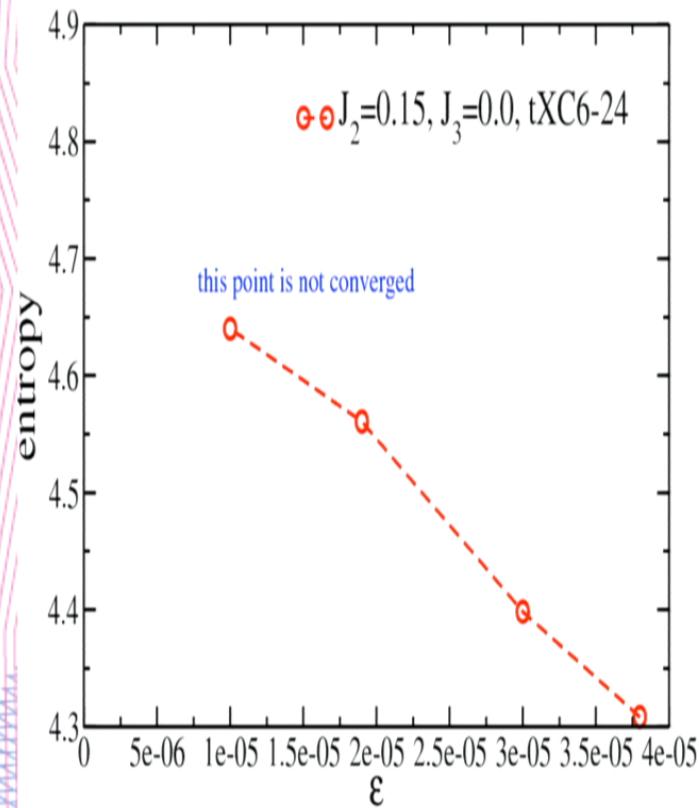


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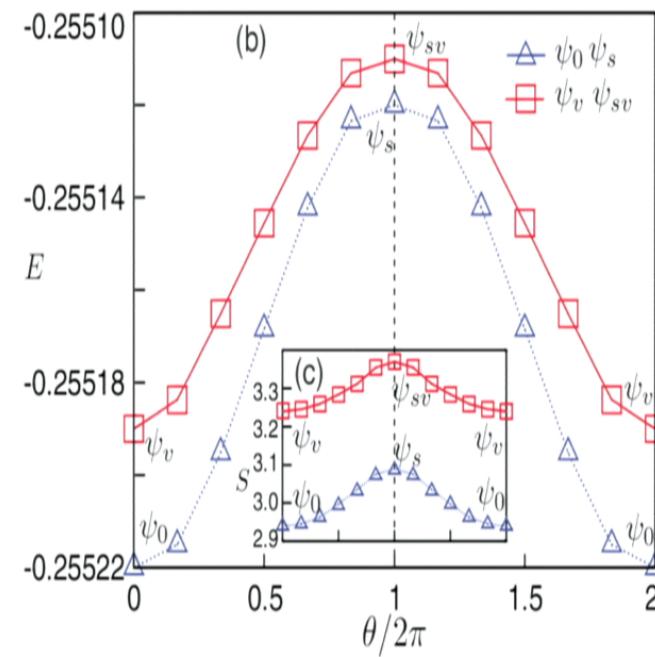
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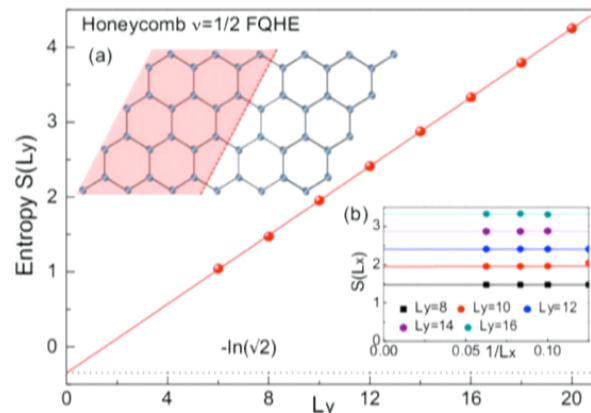
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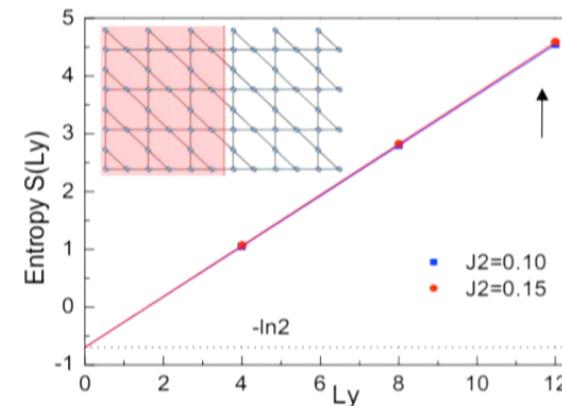
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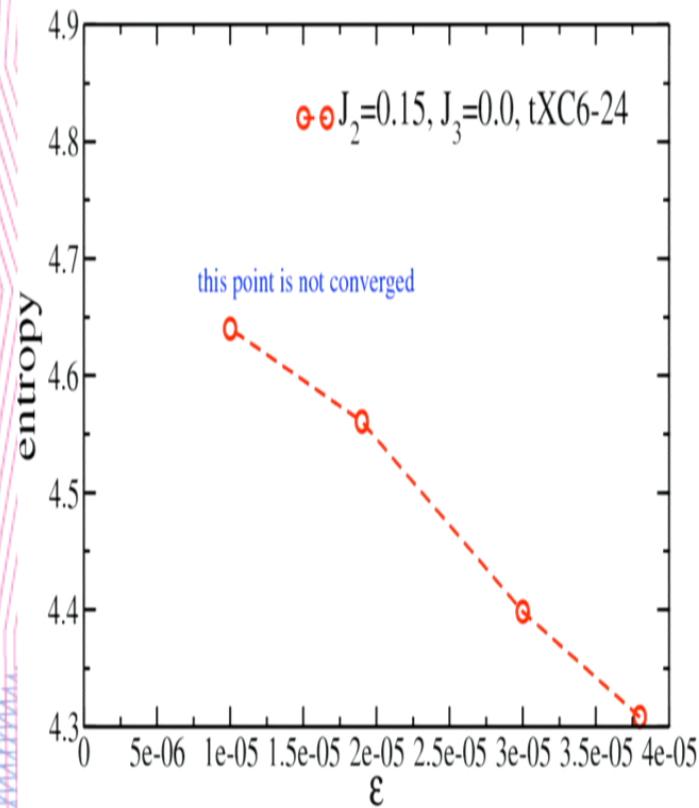


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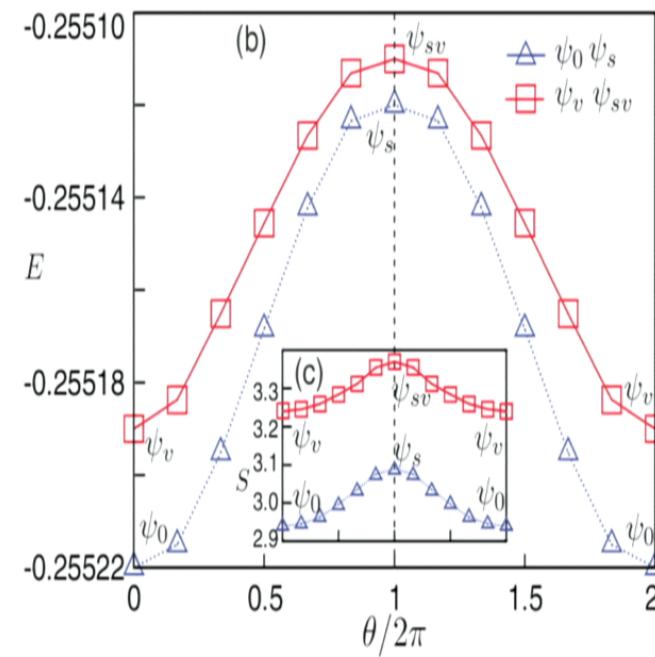
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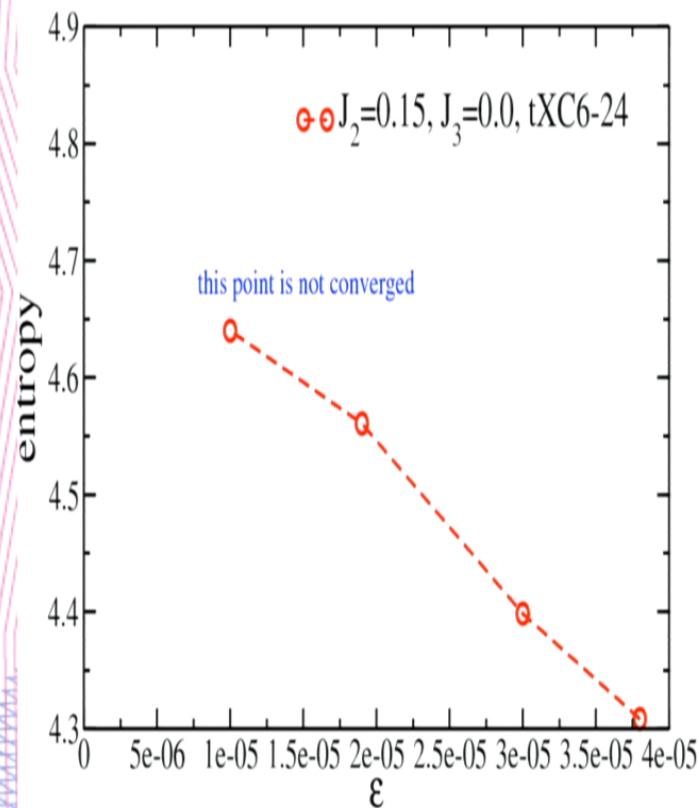
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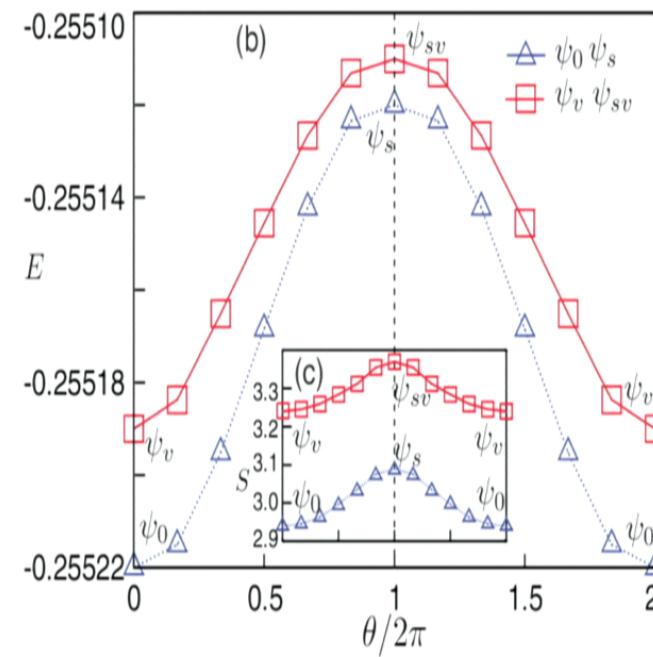
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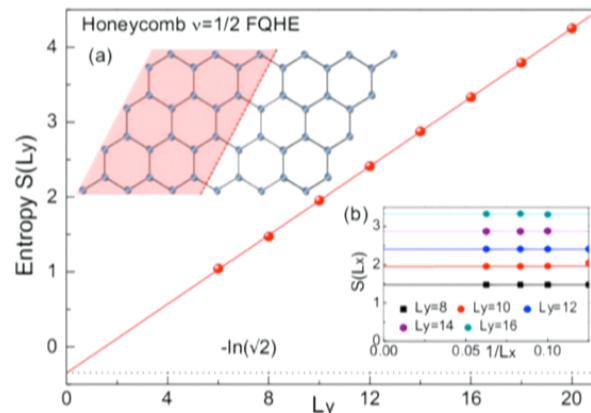
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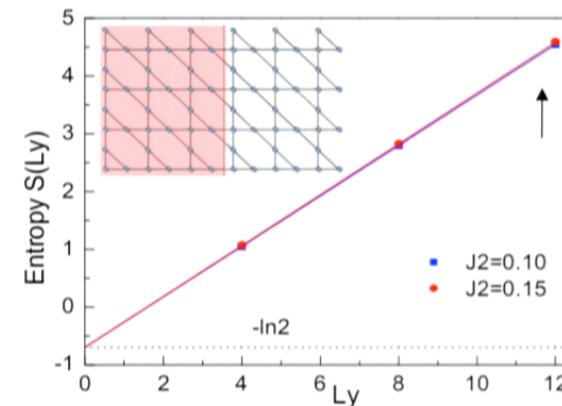
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# Spin-1/2 KAF: Experimental findings

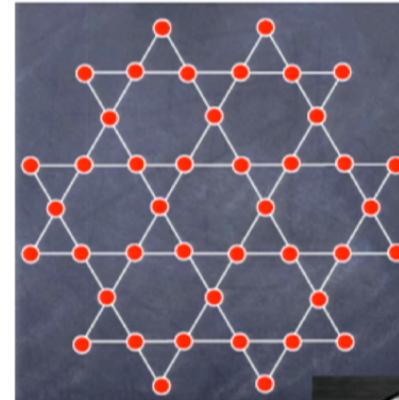
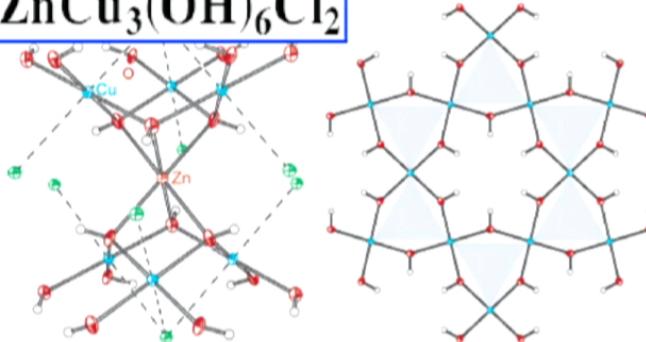


Figure 1. Crystal structure of Zn-paratacamite (I),  $\text{Zn}_{0.33}\text{Cu}_{3.67}(\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}_2$ .

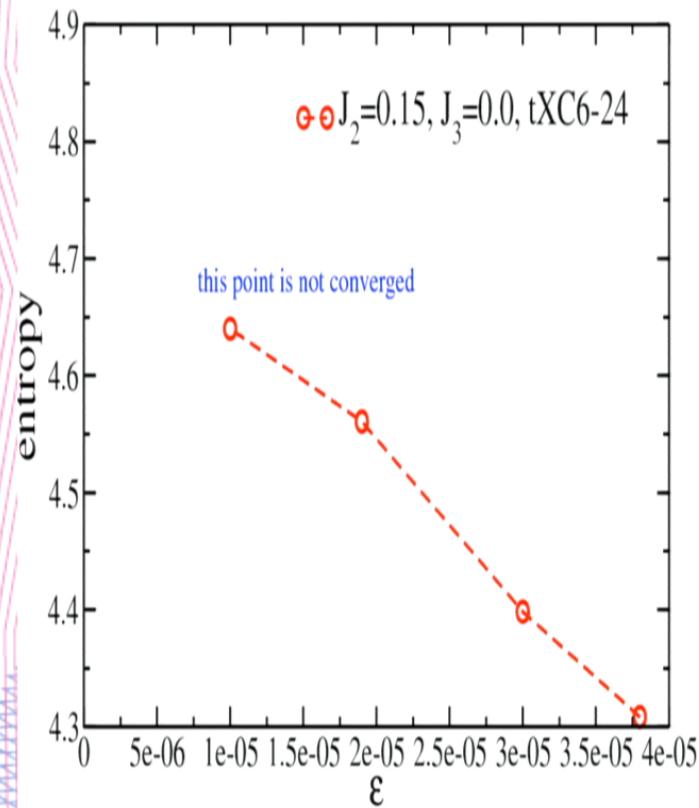
- ✓ No magnetic order down to 50 mK
- ✓ No observable spin gap down to 0.1 meV

→ SL Phase, but different from  
identified by DMRG

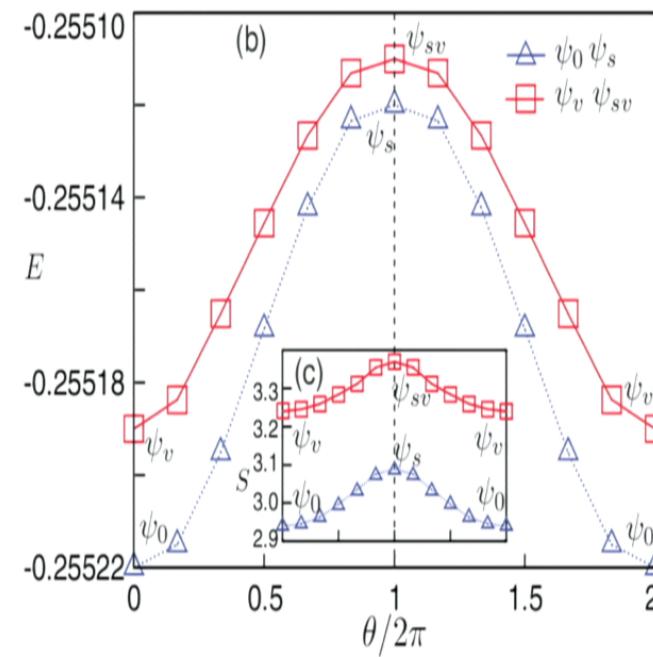
Gapless SL for kagome,  
Y. Iqbal et al, arXiv:1209.1858

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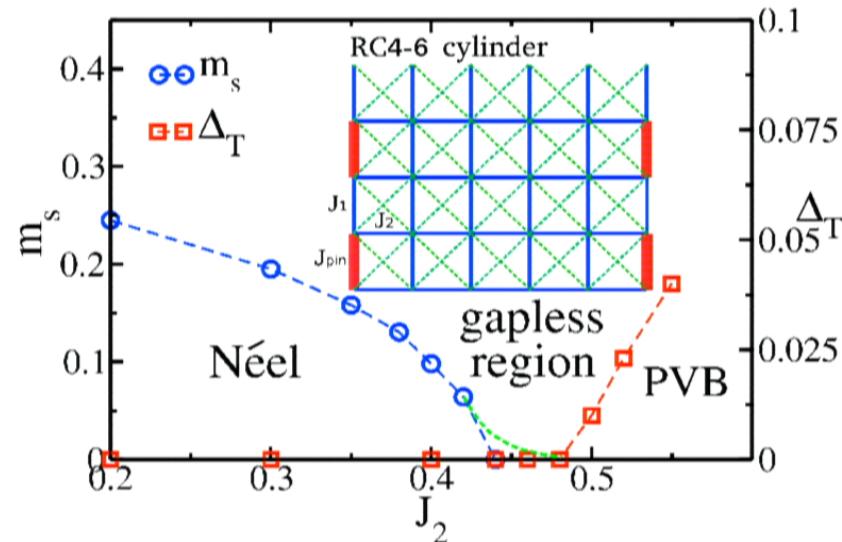


## Possible gapped spin liquid vs. PVBS on square J1-J2 models

Slave-particle  
construction for gapless  
SL on square J1-J2  
W. J. Hu et al. (2013)

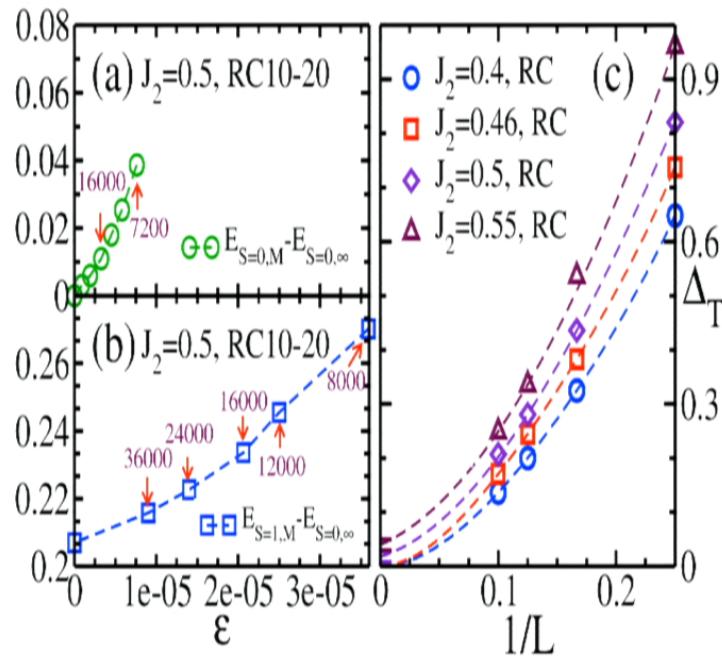
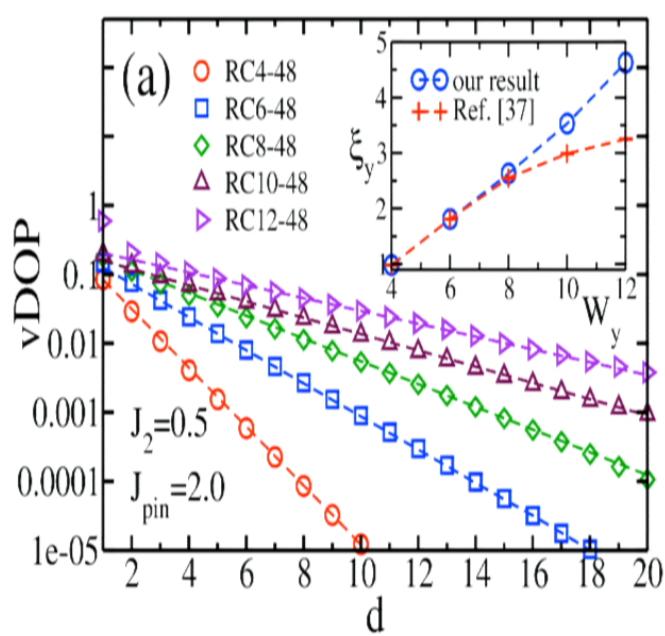
Tensor network for square  
J1-J2, gapless SL  
Wang, Gu, Wen, Verstrate  
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L. Wang et al, 2013

DMRG for square J1-J2  
(Jiang, Yao, Balents)  
2011: gapped Z2 SL  
Sandvik PRB 2012



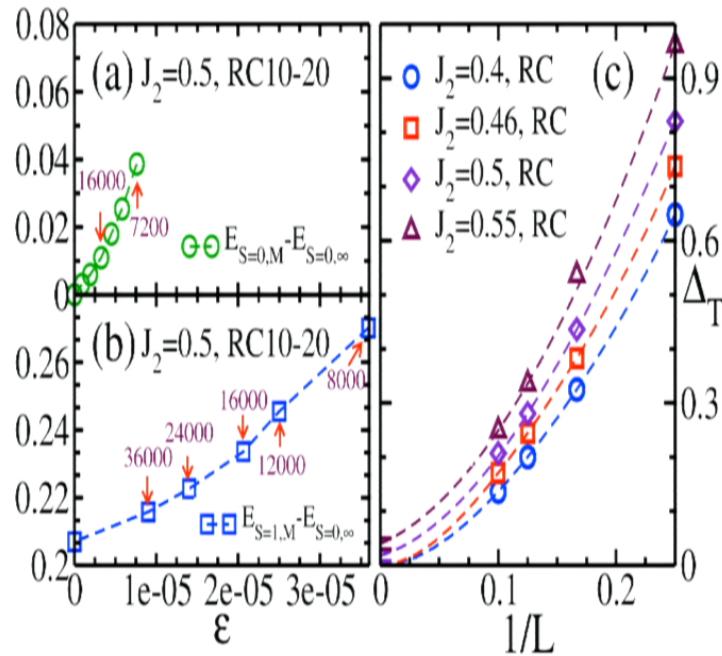
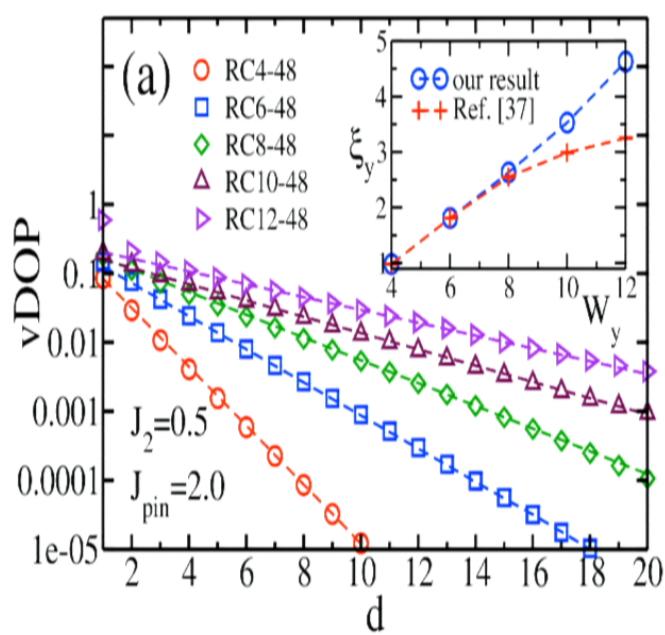
Higher accuracy DMRG found  
PVBS state  
S. S. Gong, W.Zhu, DNS,  
L.Motrunch, Fisher (2013)

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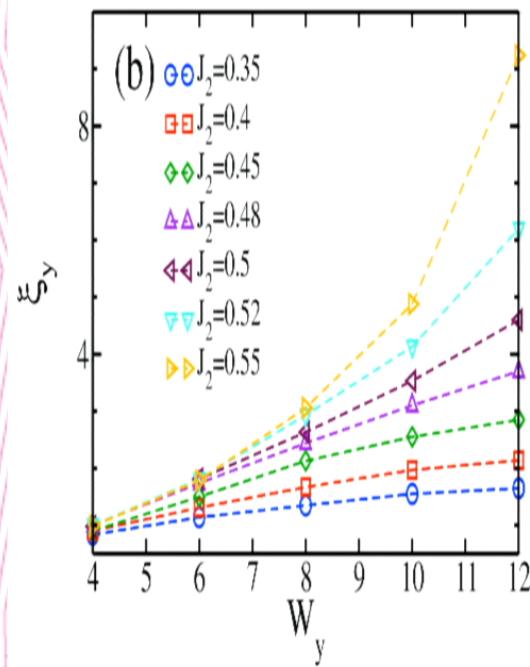
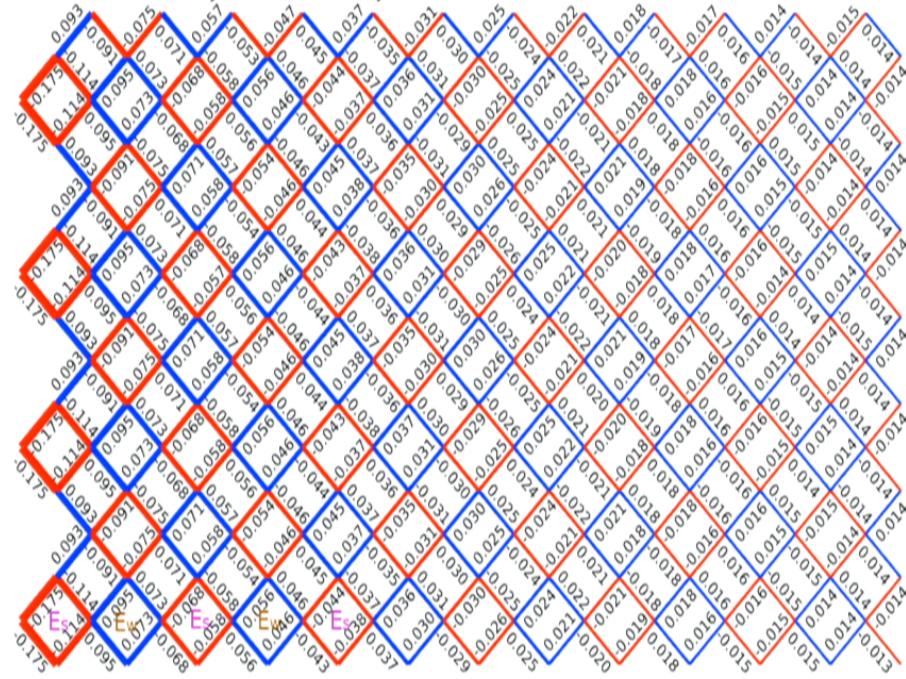
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# The intermediate phase is developing PVBS ordering for square J1-J2 model

(a) TC8-25,  $J_2=0.55$ , left half lattice



## Time reversal symmetry (TRS) broken chiral spin liquid (CSL): a bosonic FQHE state

Kalmeyer and Laughlin 1987

Wen, Wilczek, Zee 1989

anyon quasiparticles obey  
fractional statistics, chiral ordering,  
TRS and parity broken spontaneously

Different from FQHE with B field as  
it emerges in TRS system

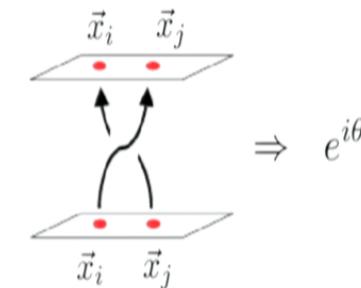
Haldane and Arovas 1995

Chern number to distinguish it  
from chiral spin state

Yang, Warman and Girvin  
1993.

Yao and Kivelson: a contrived  
CSL state (for Kitaev model)  
2007

Induce CSL with TRS broken terms  
Schroeter et al 2007 Thomale et al. 2009  
Nielsen et al. 2012 Bauer et al.  
2013-2014 (Mott materials)  
Approx. Methods find CSL  
Hermele et al (2009), Messio et al.  
For kagome J1-J2-J3 (2012)





# Density matrix renormalization group (DMRG)

$m=6000\text{--}10000$  states

S. R. White 1992-1993

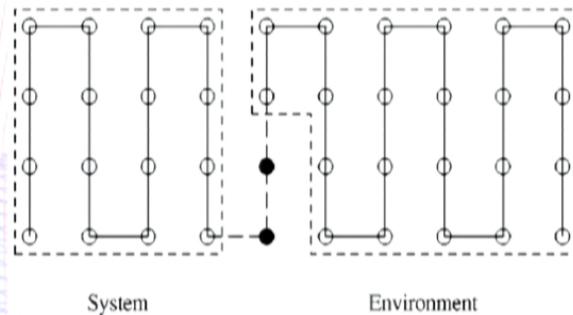
1D DMRG algorithm



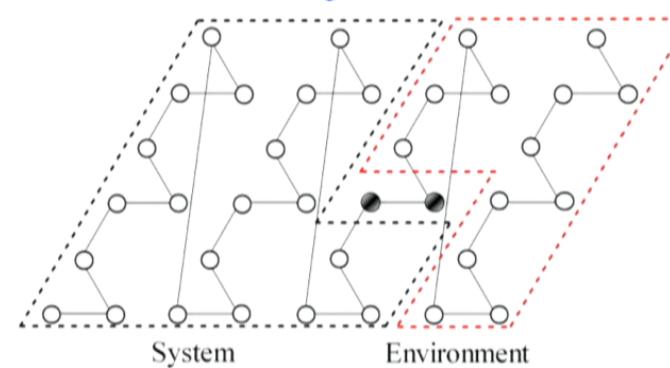
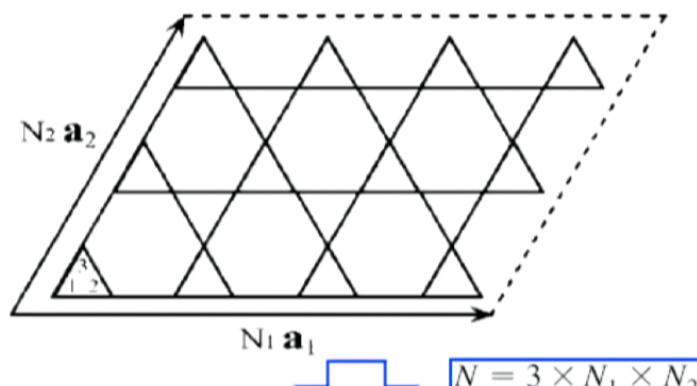
Mapping

Map a 2D lattice onto a 1D

Square lattice



Kagome lattice



## DMRG with SU(2) Symmetry, matches to $m=16,000\text{---}40,000$ U(1) states

Reduce the dimension of the diagonalized Hilbert space; Preserve the SU(2) symmetry of the target states; Obtain more accurate results for the same kept optimal states compared to the common case with only U(1) symmetry.

I. P. McCulloch and M. Gulacsi, Europhys. Lett. **57**, 852 (2002);

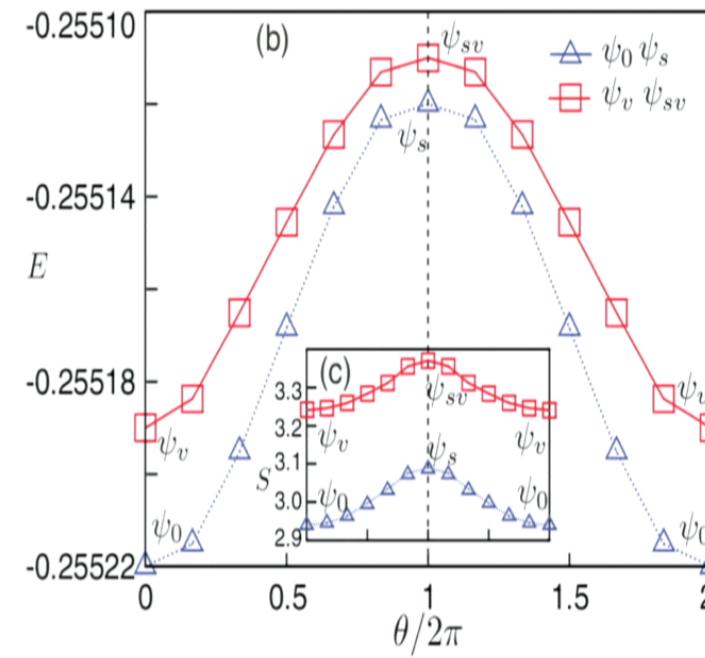
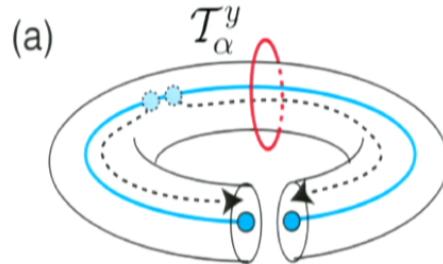
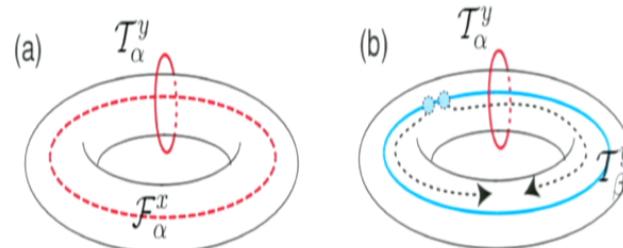
G. Alvarez, arXiv:1003.1919., not generally used for frustrated spin systems

Depenbrock et al., PRL 109, 067201 (2012).

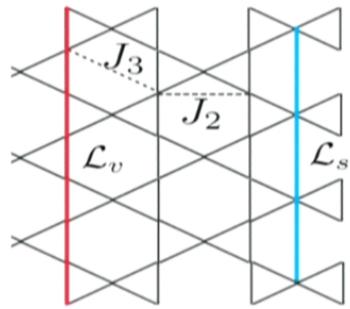
SSG, W. Zhu, DNS, Motrunich,Fisher (2013-2014)

**Adiabatic DMRG: by pinning and inserting flux on cylinder, we can access different top. sectors for Z2 SL and CSL**

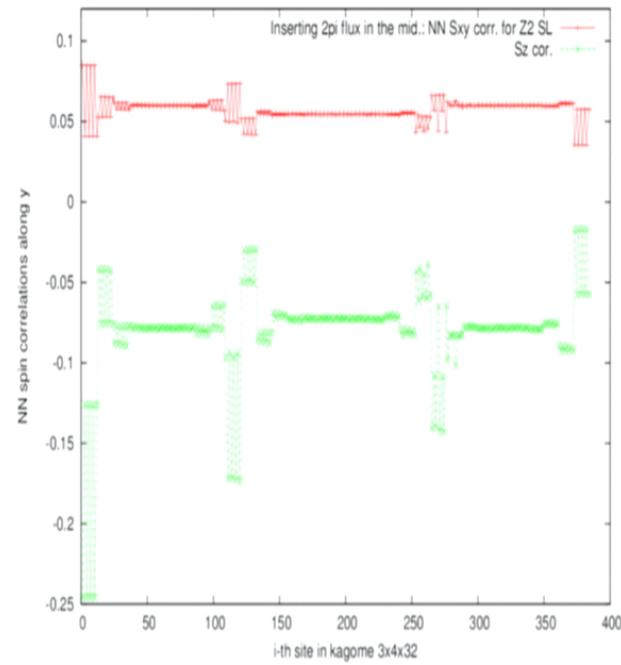
J1-J2-J3 model with large Jz (or small Jxy1)  
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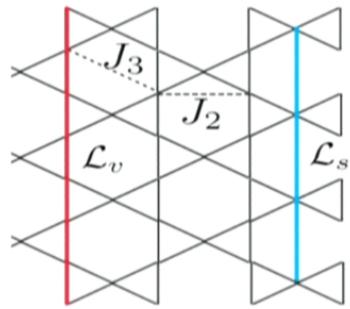
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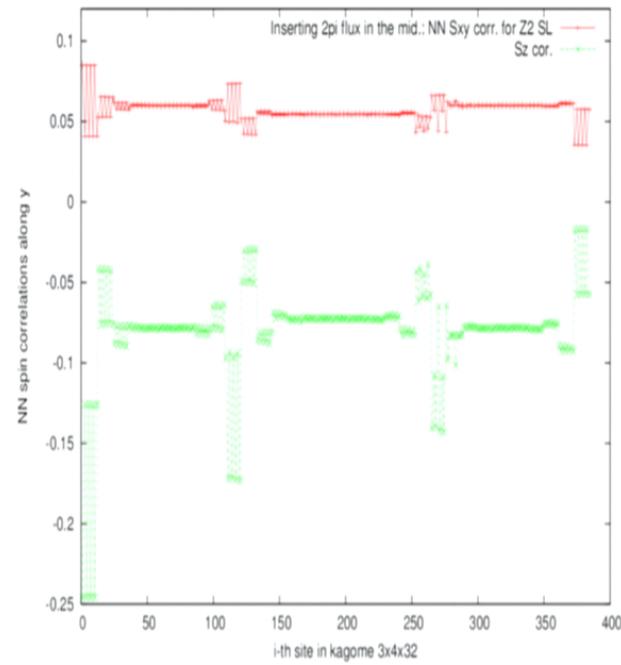
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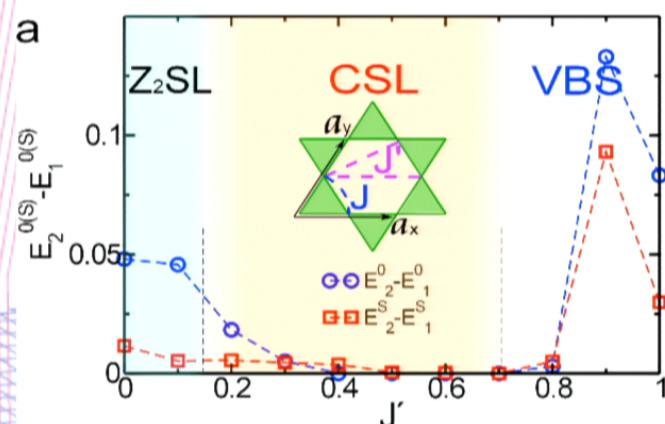
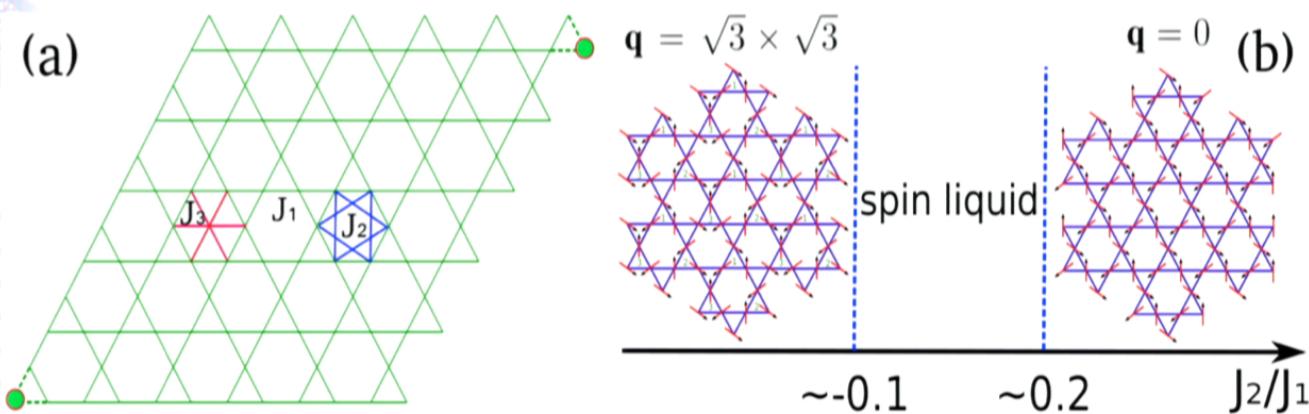
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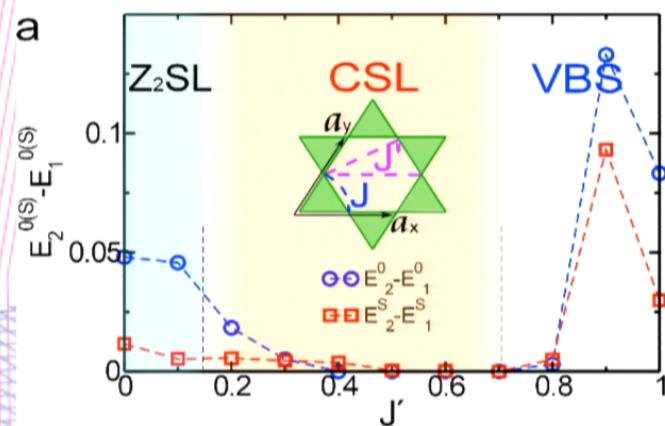
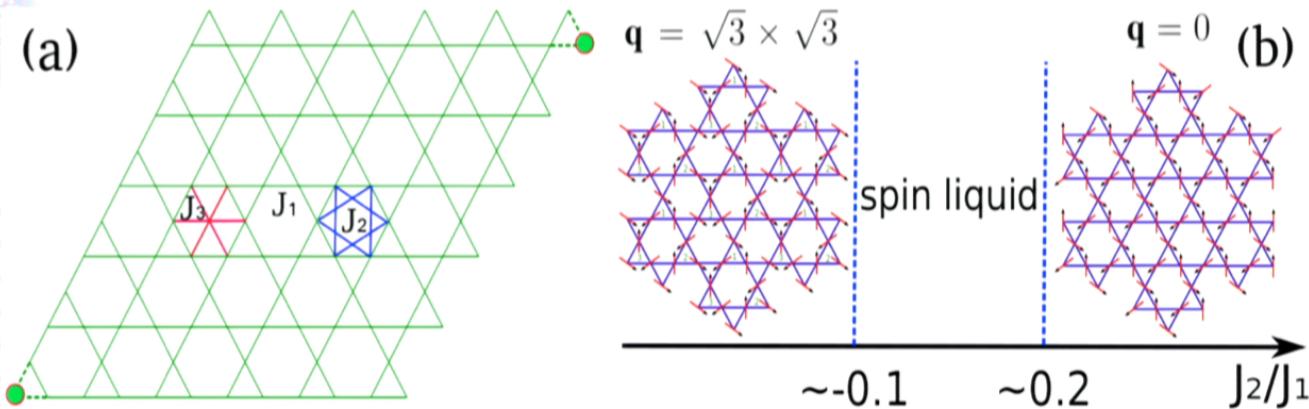
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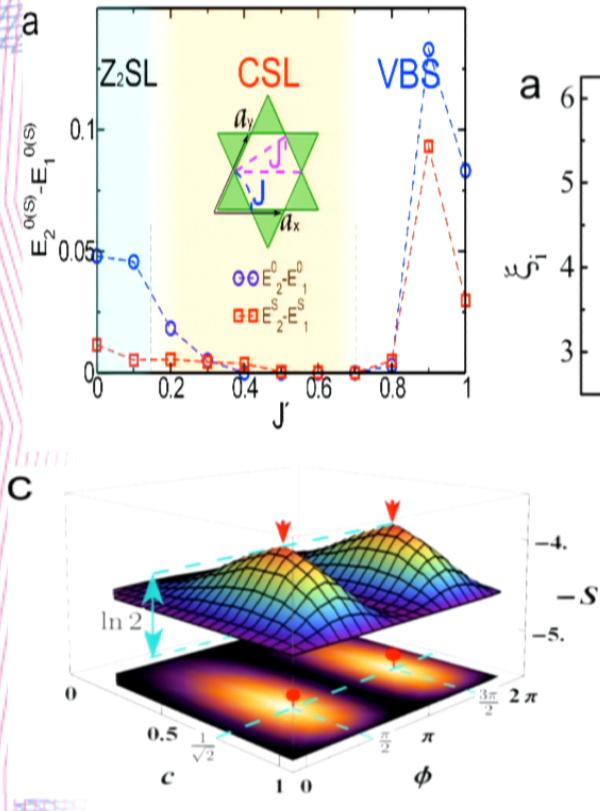
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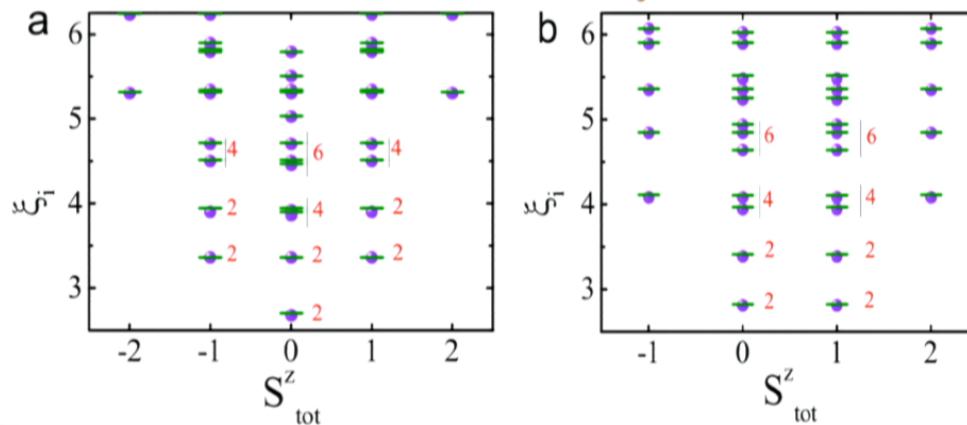
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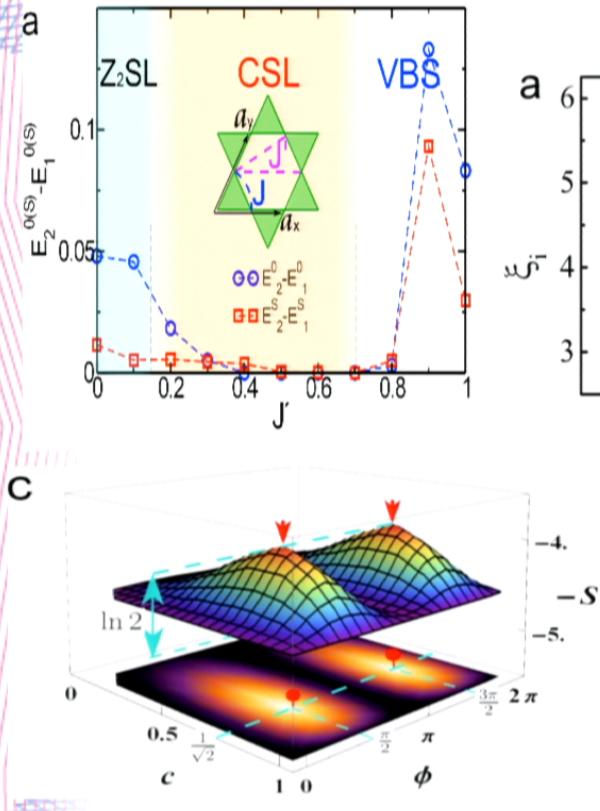
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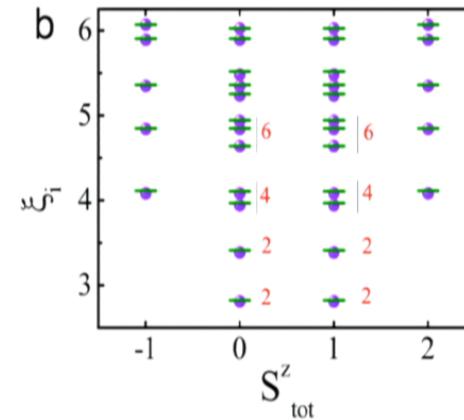
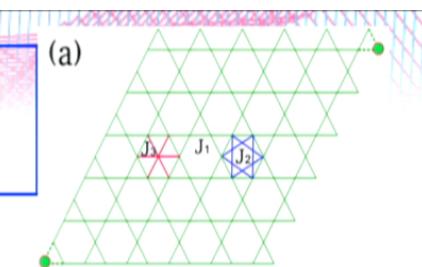
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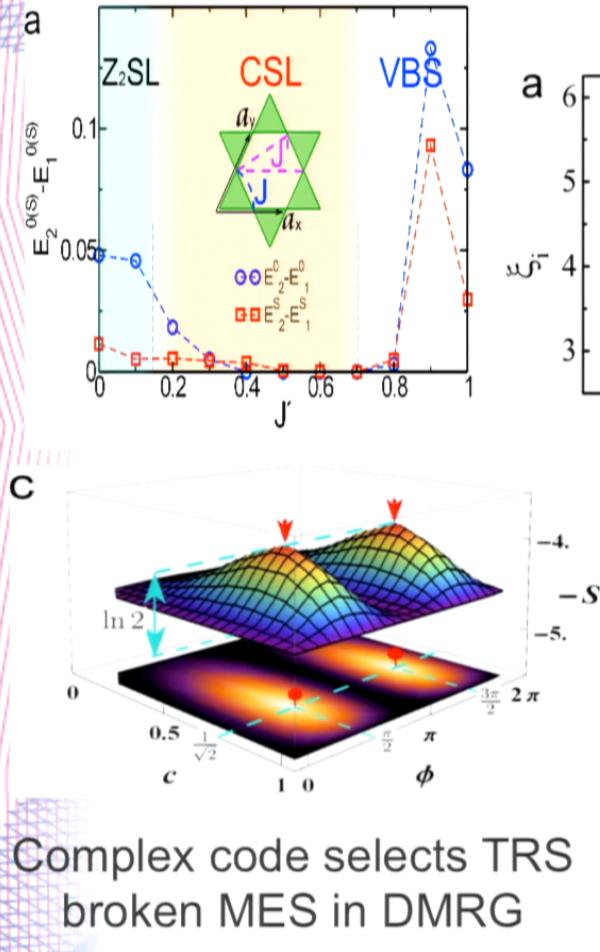
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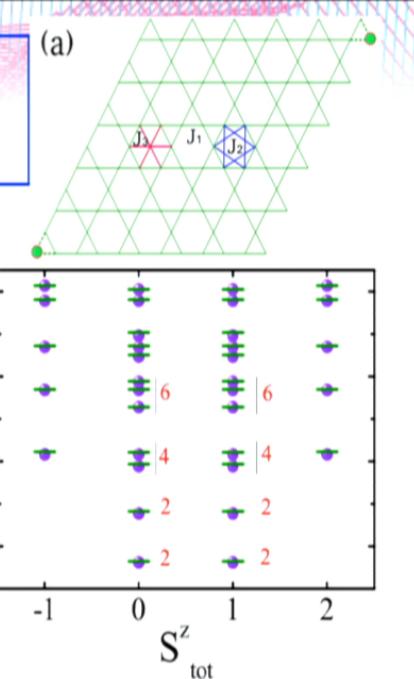


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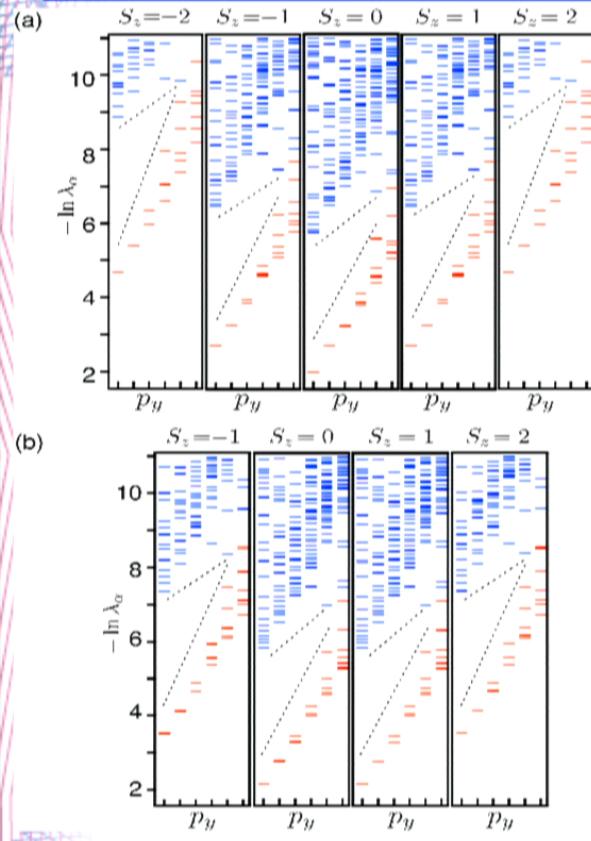
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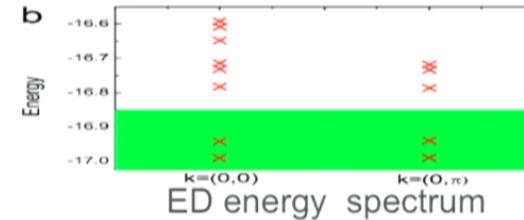
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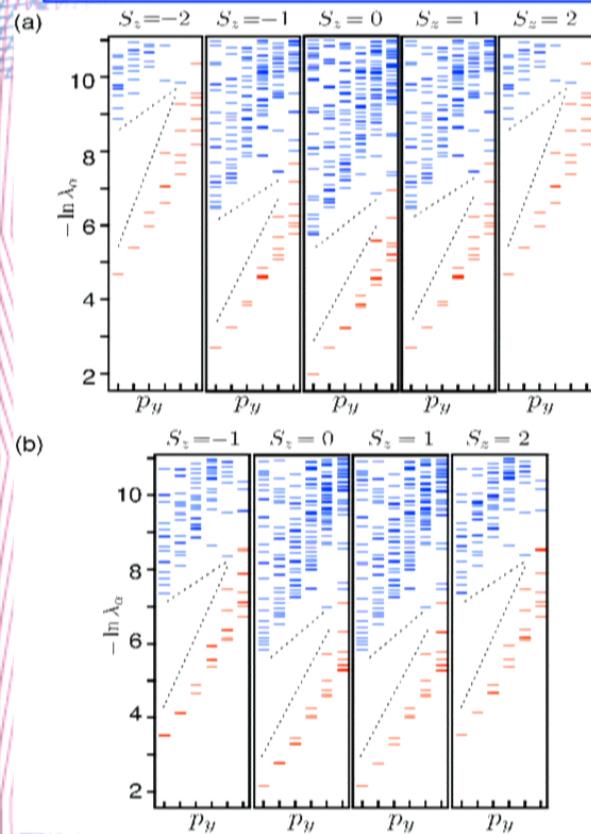
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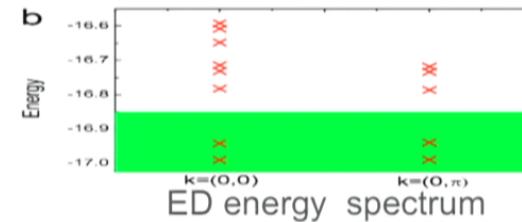
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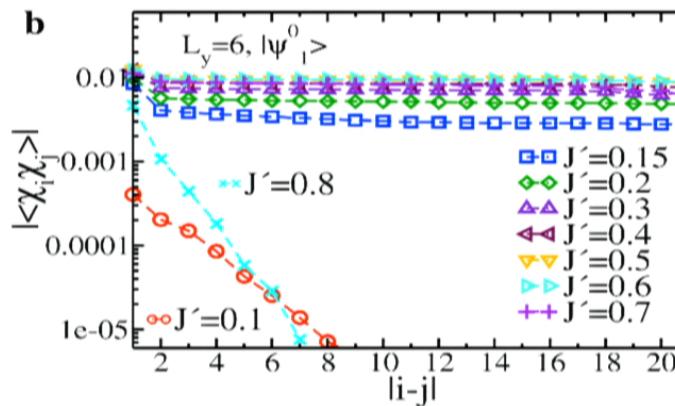
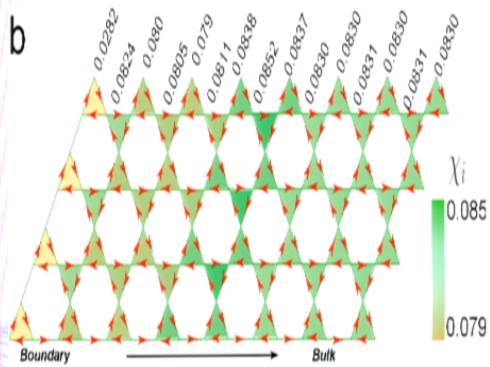
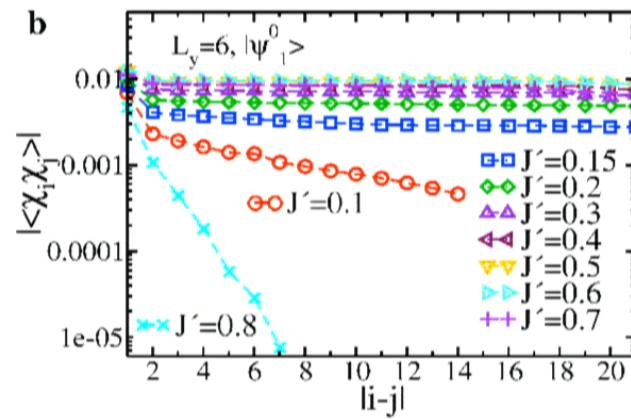
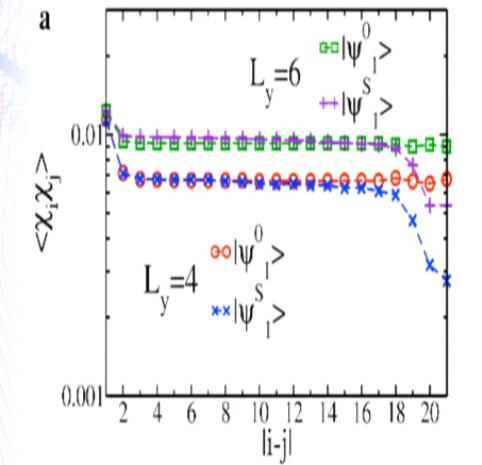
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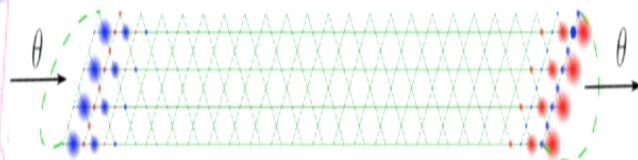
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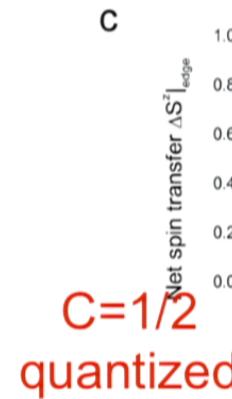
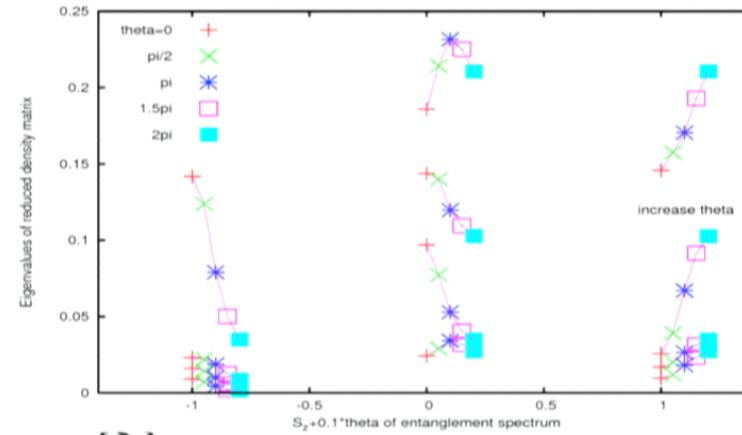
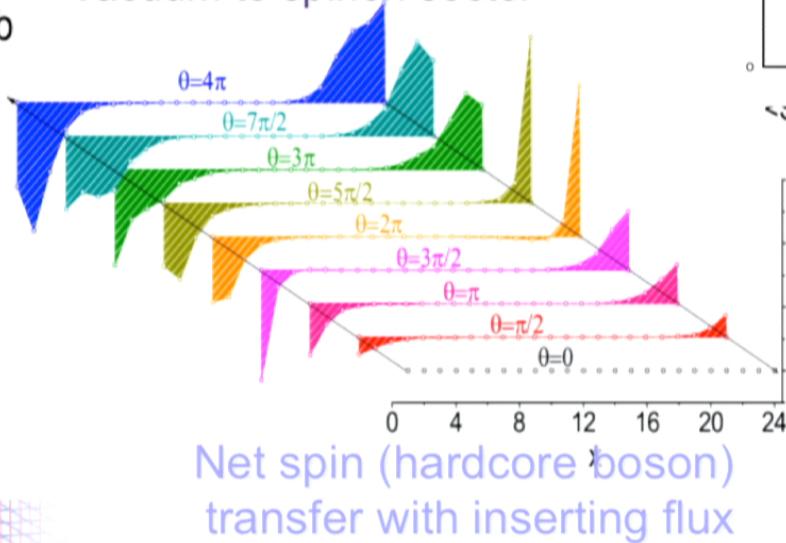
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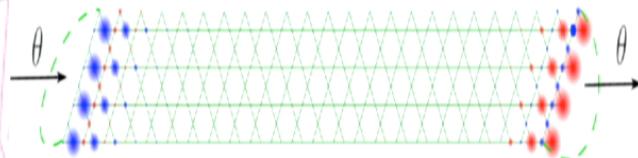
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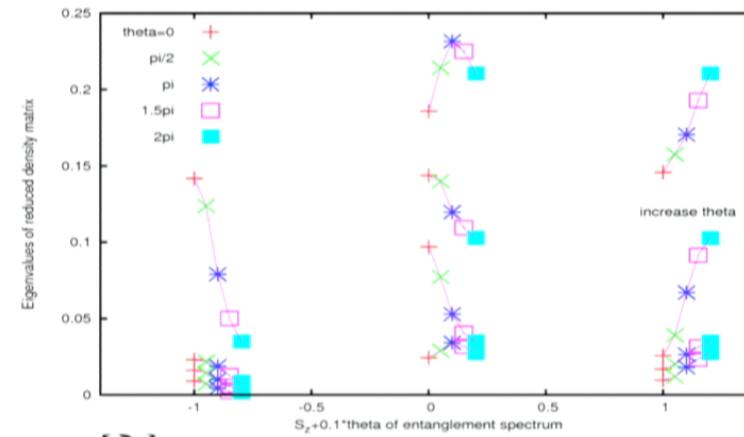
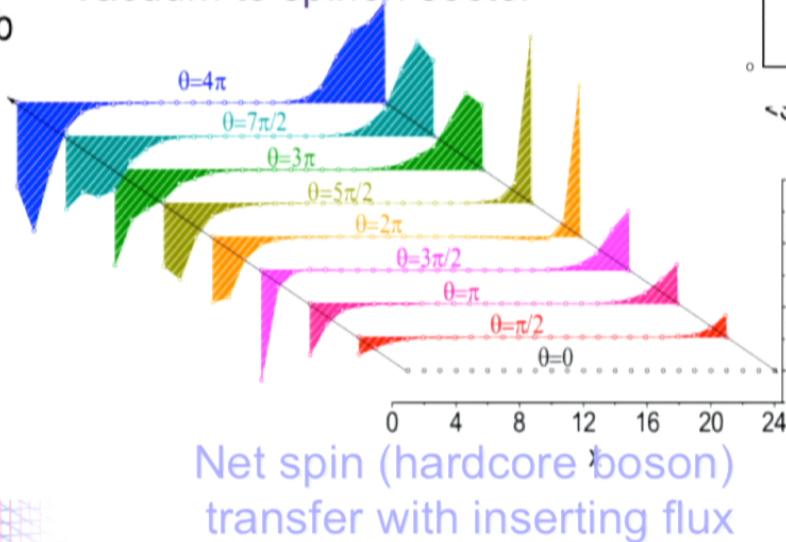
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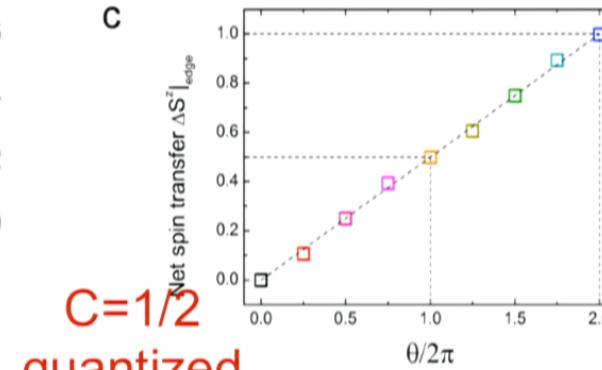


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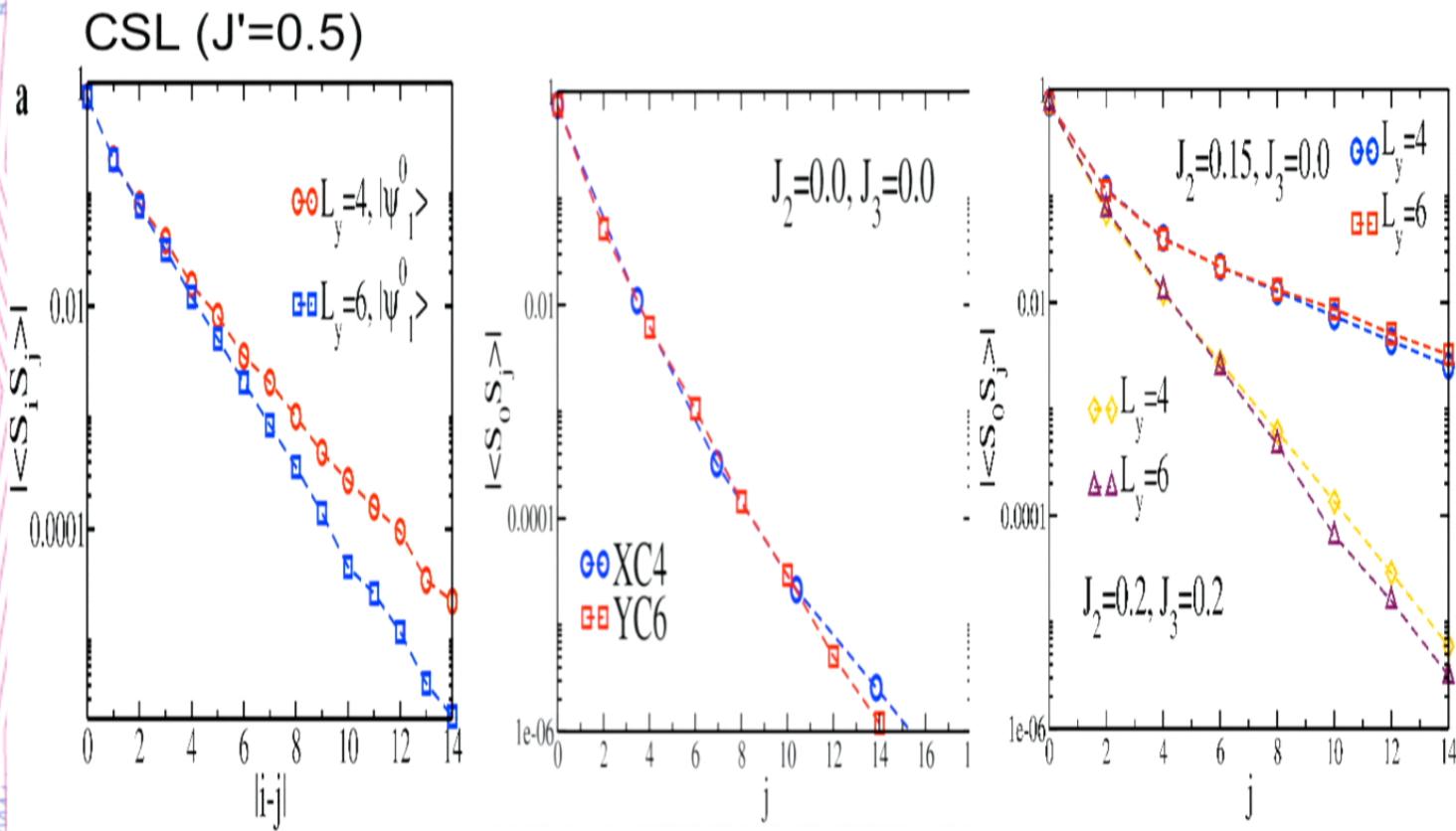
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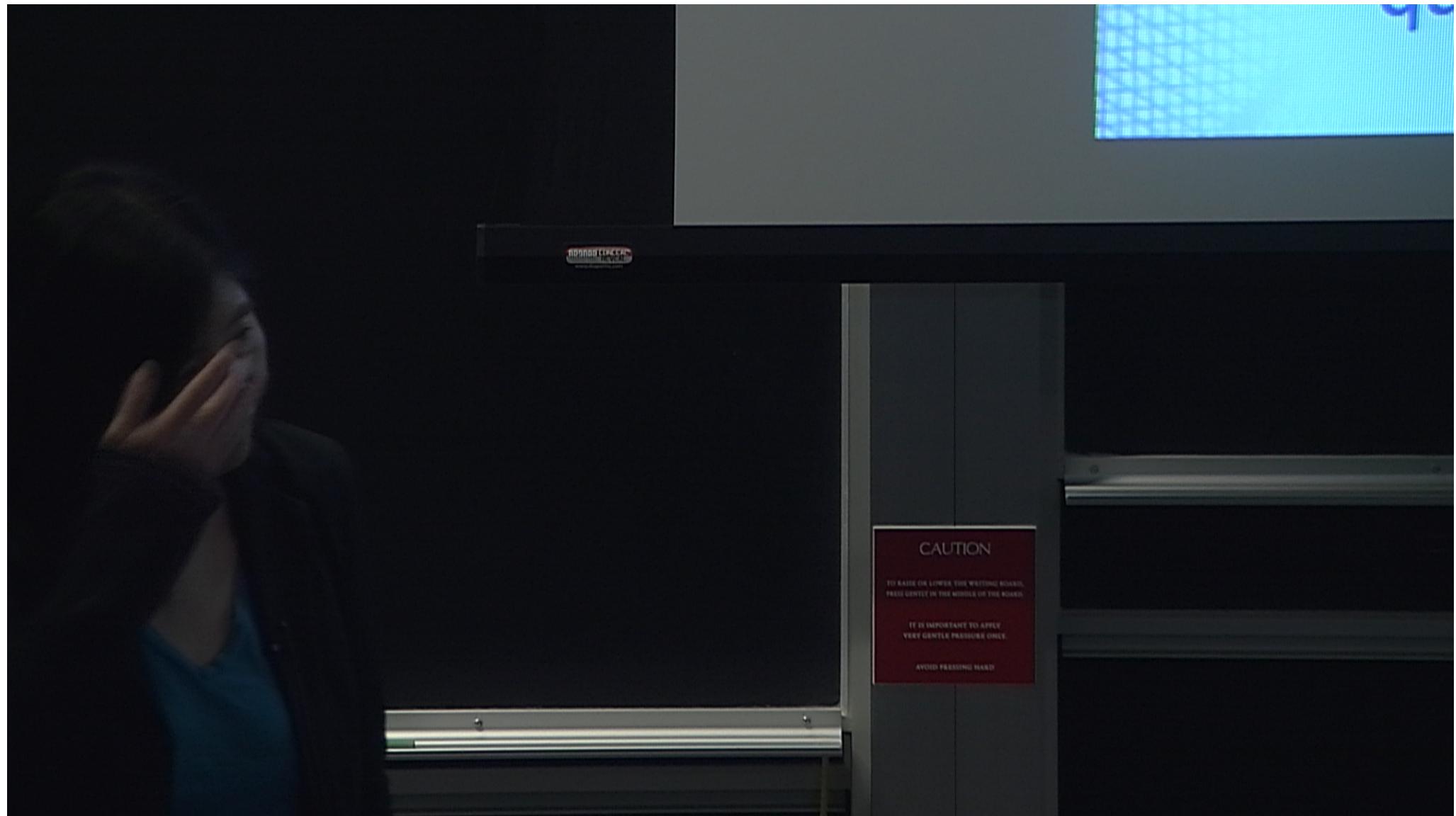
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The topological Chern number is observed to be quantized at 1/2, protected by robust excitation gap.





$$e^{i\theta} S_i^+ S_j^-$$

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