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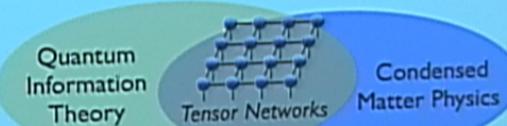
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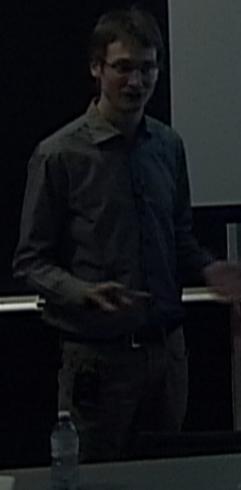
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**t-J model:** PC, T. M. Rice, and M. Troyer, PRL 113, 046402 (2014)

**Shastry-Sutherland model:** PC, F. Mila, PRL 112, 147203 (2014)



## Motivation: Strongly correlated quantum many-body systems

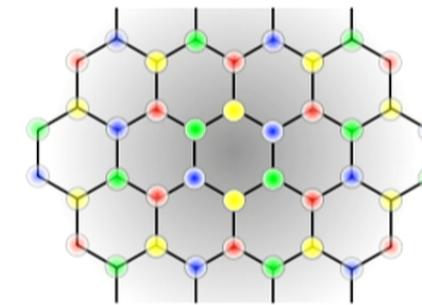
High-Tc  
superconductivity



Quantum magnetism /  
spin liquids

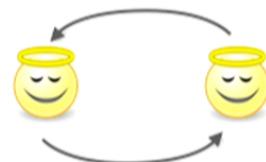


Novel phases with  
ultra-cold atoms



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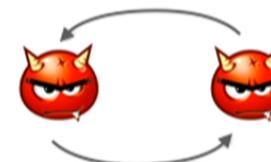
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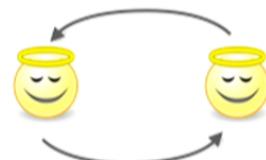


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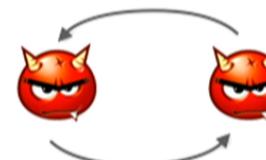
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**this leads to the infamous  
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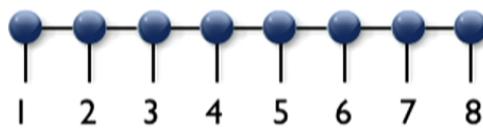
**cannot solve large systems  
at low temperature!**

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**MPS**

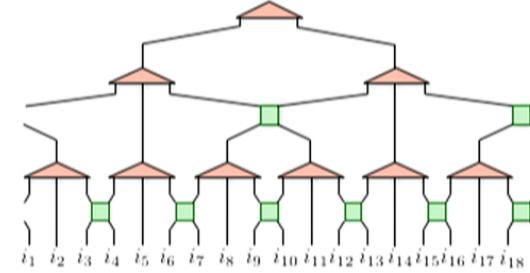
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Underlying ansatz of the density-matrix renormalization group (**DMRG**) method

**ID MERA**

Multi-scale entanglement renormalization ansatz



**and more**

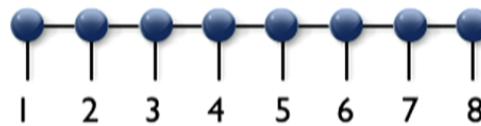
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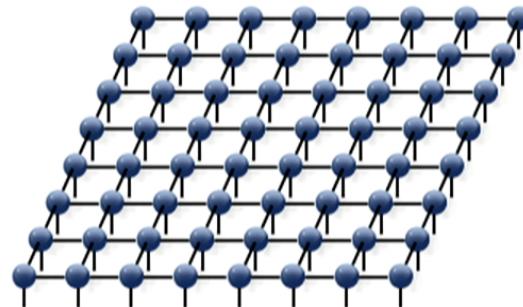


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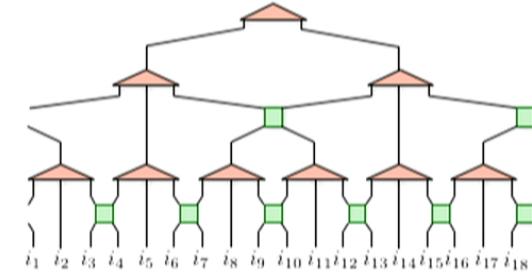
**PEPS**

projected entangled-pair state



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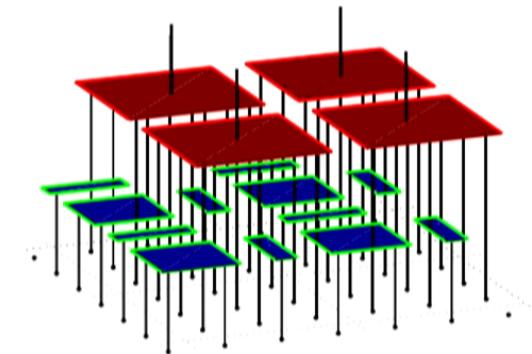
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- ▶ Entangled-plaquette states
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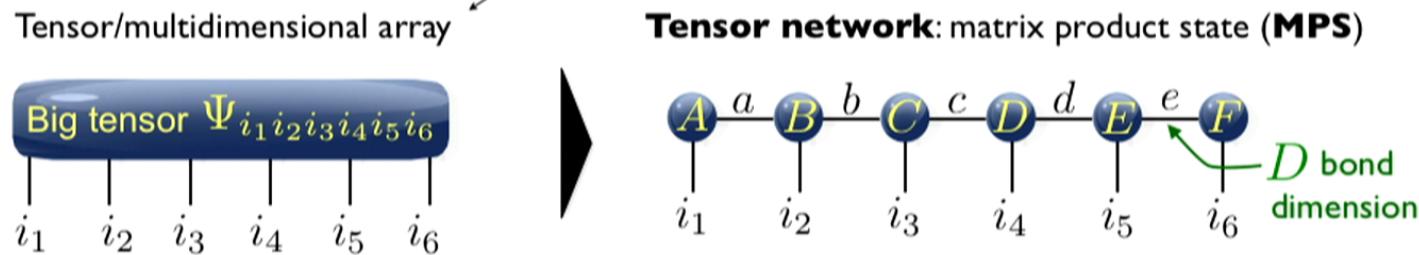
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## Tensor network ansatz for a wave function

Lattice:     2 basis states per site:  $\{|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle\}$   
 $i \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6$  **2<sup>6</sup>** basis states

State:     $|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5 i_6} \Psi_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5 i_6} |i_1 \otimes i_2 \otimes i_3 \otimes i_4 \otimes i_5 \otimes i_6\rangle$  **2<sup>6</sup>** coefficients

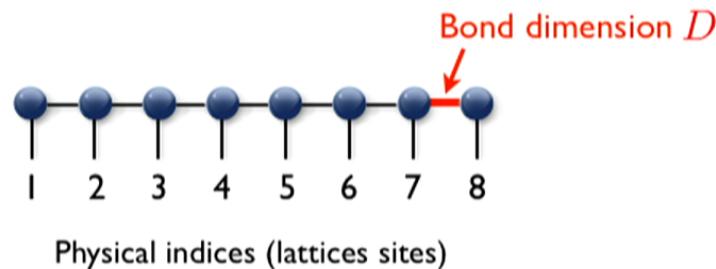


# MPS & PEPS

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(underlying ansatz of DMRG)



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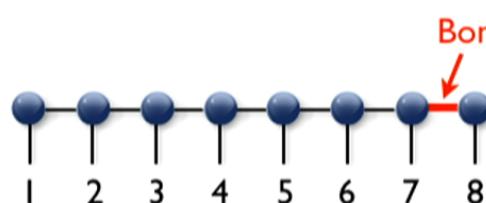
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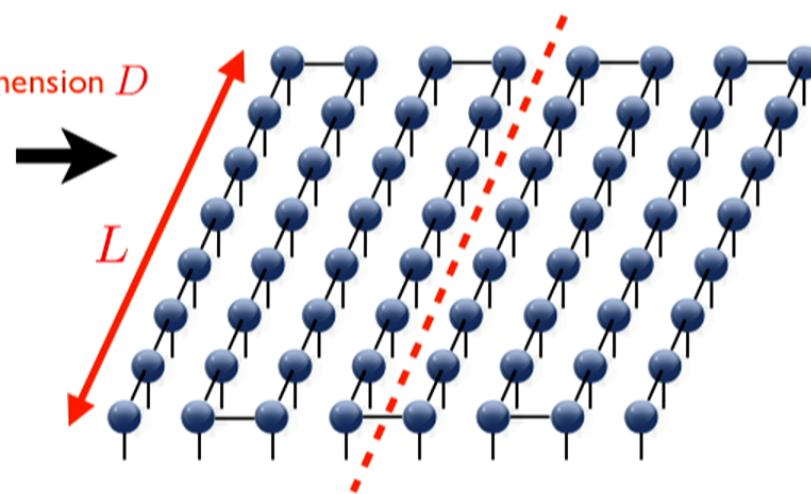
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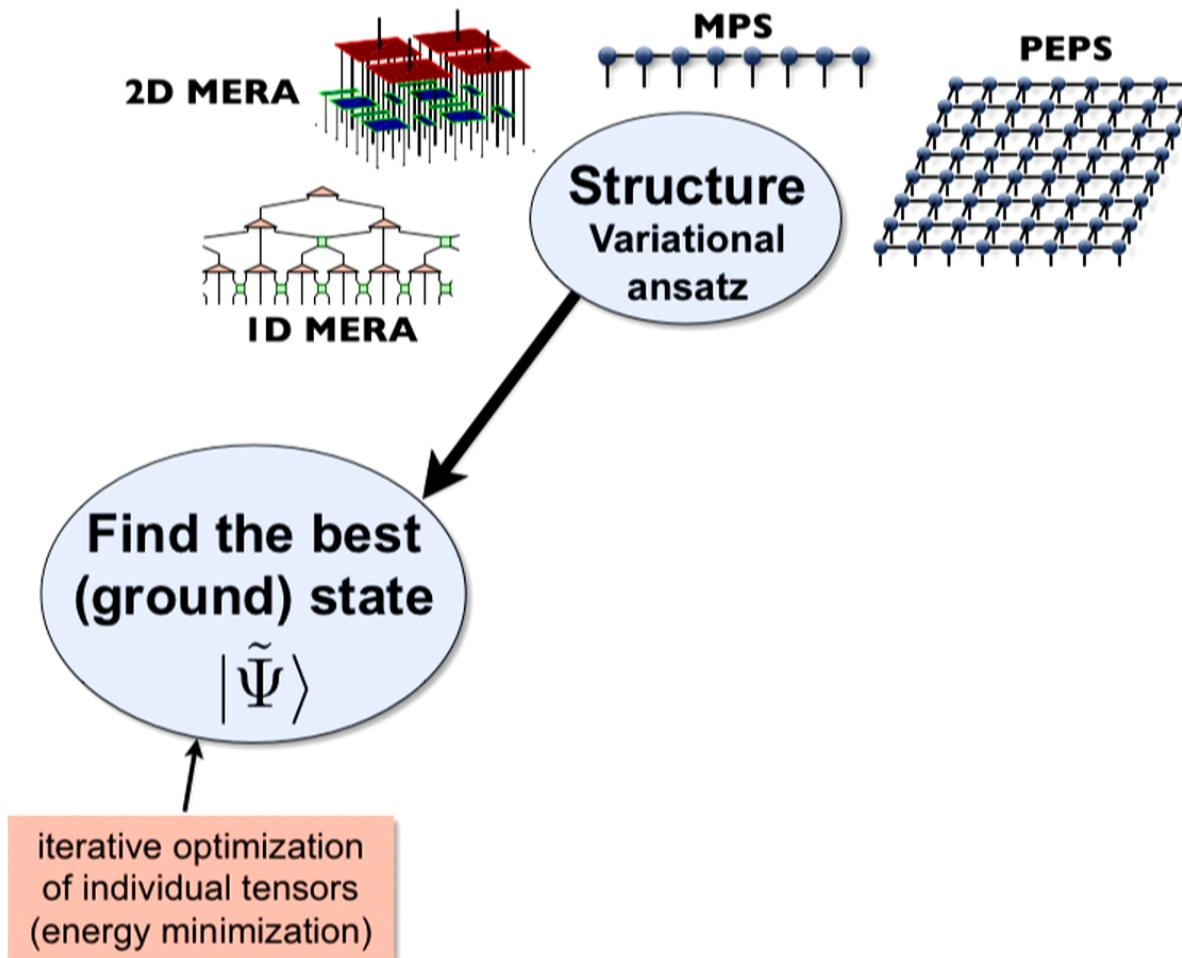
**Snake MPS**



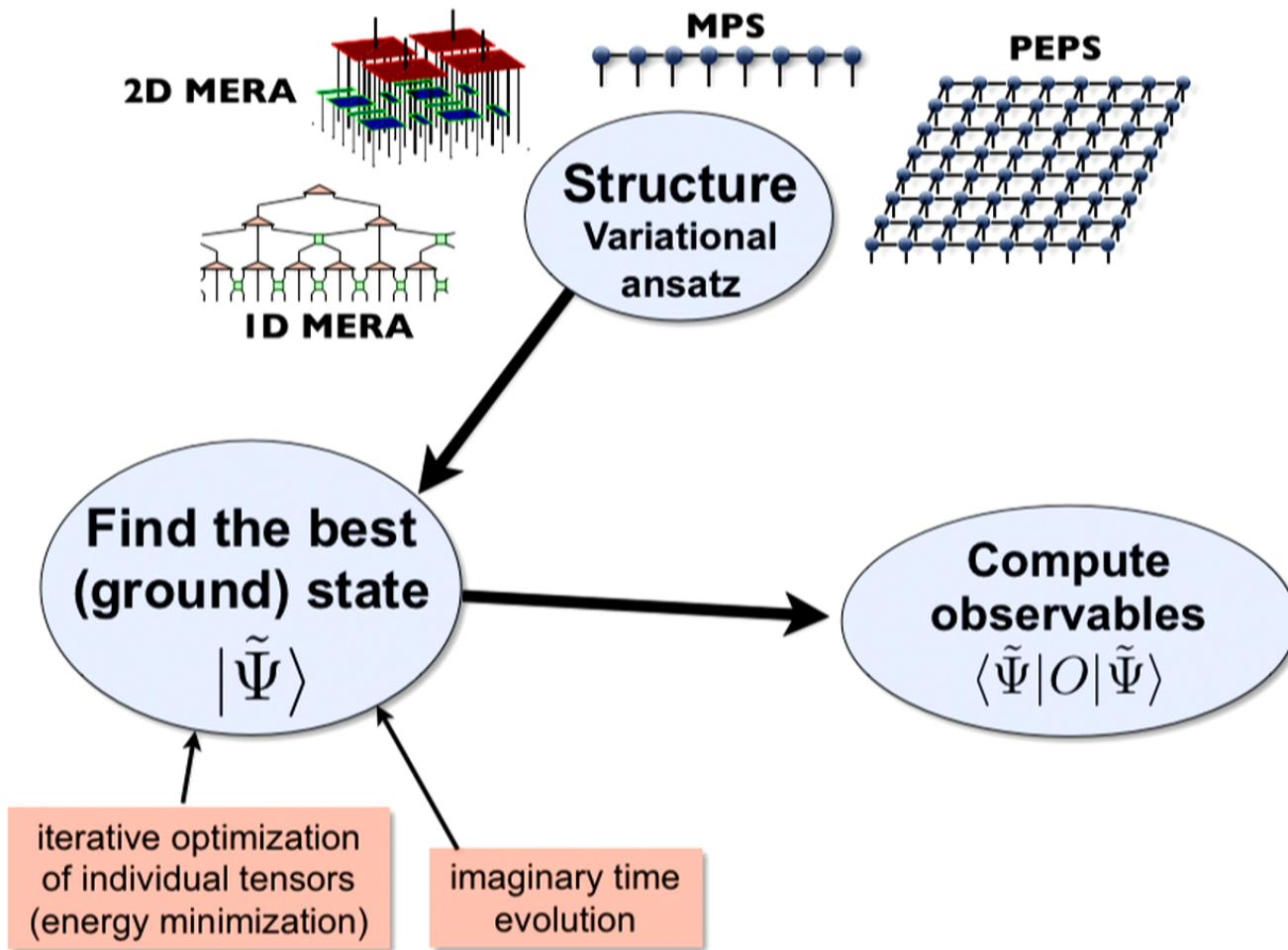
**Computational cost:**

$$\propto \exp(L)$$

## Summary: Tensor network algorithms

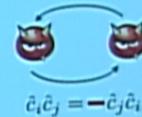


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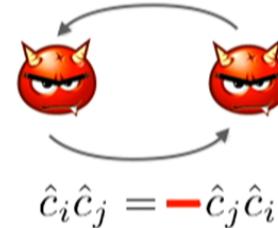


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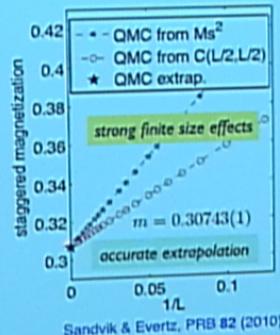
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**Different formulations (but same fermionic ansatz):**

- PC, Evenbly, Verstraete, Vidal (2009)
- Kraus, Schuch, Verstraete, Cirac (2009)
- Pineda, Barthel, Eisert (2009)
- PC & Vidal (2009)
- Barthel, Pineda, Eisert (2009)
- Shi, Li, Zhao, Zhou (2009)
- PC, Orus, Bauer, Vidal (2009)
- Pizorn, Verstraete (2010)
- Gu, Verstraete, Wen (2010)
- ...

## Benchmark: S=1/2 Heisenberg model

Energy: QMC (extrap.): -0.669437(5)J A. Sandvik, PRB 56 (1997)  
iPEPS (D=10): -0.66939J rel. error < 10<sup>-4</sup>



# *t-J* model

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Nearest-neighbor hopping

Heisenberg interaction

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## Evidence for stripe correlations of spins and holes in copper oxide superconductors

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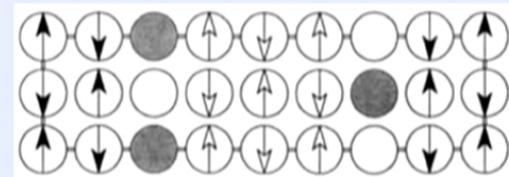
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ONE of the long-standing mysteries associated with the high-temperature copper oxide superconductors concerns the anomalous suppression of superconductivity by holes.

It has been suggested that the holes are related to the stripe correlations observed in the two-dimensional crystal. Neutron scattering measurements have shown that the hole density is modulated in the CuO<sub>2</sub> planes, and the charge density is separated from the hole density.

The holes are separated by periodically spaced domain walls to which the holes segregate<sup>5–9</sup>. An ordered stripe phase of this type has recently been observed in hole-doped La<sub>2</sub>NiO<sub>4</sub> (refs 10–12). We present evidence from neutron diffraction that in the copper oxide material La<sub>1.6-x</sub>Nd<sub>0.4</sub>Sr<sub>x</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>, with x = 0.12, a static analogue of the dynamical stripe phase is present, and is associated with an anomalous suppression of superconductivity<sup>13,14</sup>. Our results thus provide an explanation of the ‘ $\frac{1}{8}$ ’ conundrum, and also support the suggestion<sup>15</sup> that spatial modulations of spin and charge density are related to superconductivity in the copper oxides.



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? Does it reproduce the stripe states observed in some of the cuprates? ?

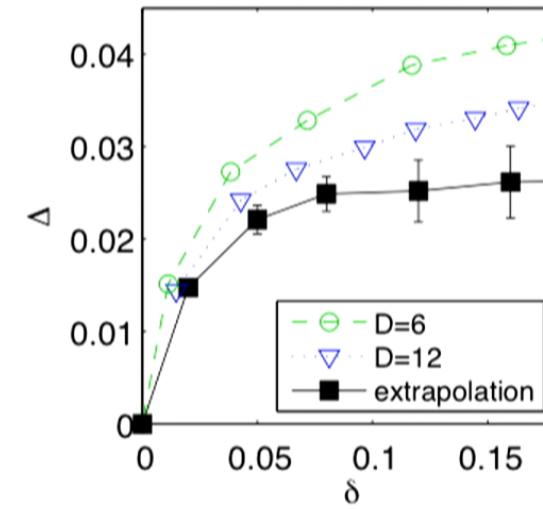
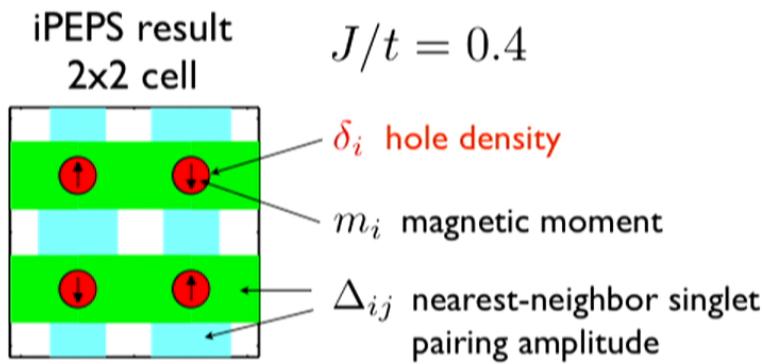
DMRG (cylinders): **YES!**

White & Scalapino, PRL 80 (1998)  
White & Scalapino, PRB 60 (1999)

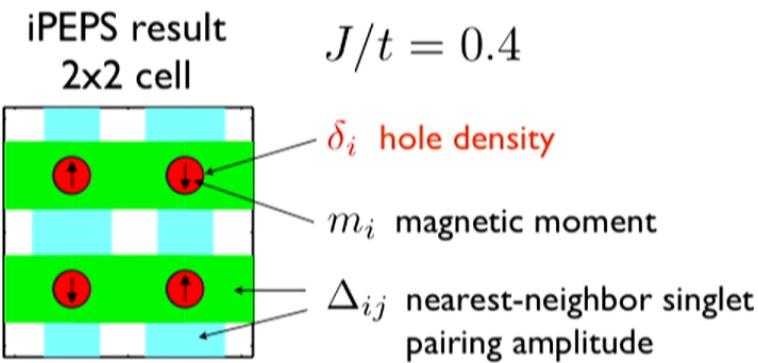
Variational Monte Carlo  
Fixed-node Monte Carlo **NO!**  
→ uniform d-wave state!

Lugan, et al. PRB 74 (2006)  
Hu, Becca & Sorella, PRB 85 (2012)  
Himeda, Kato & Ogata, PRL 88 (2002)  
... and more ...

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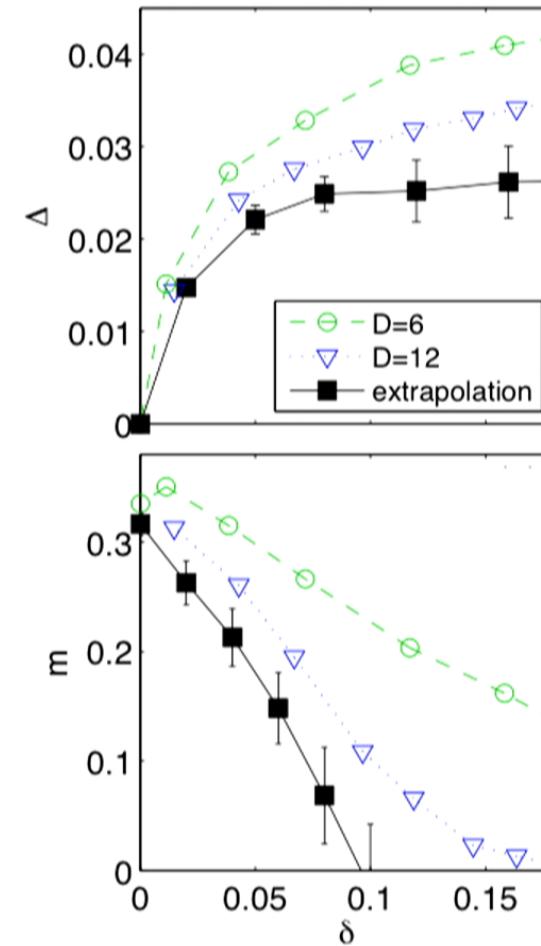


- ★ Finite d-wave pairing for any finite doping
- ★ Coexisting with AF order for  $\delta \lesssim 0.1$
- ★ In agreement with previous studies

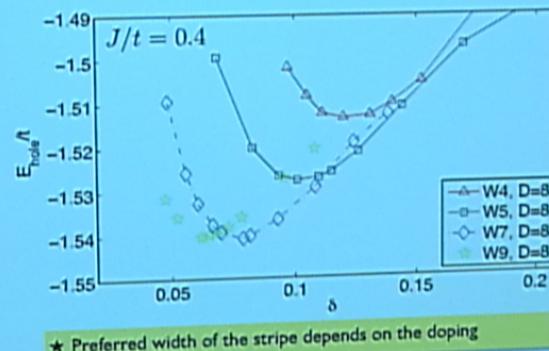
[Himeda et al. '02, Ogata et al. '03, Ivanov '04, Shih et al. '04, Lucas et al. '06, Spanu et al. '08, Hu '12]

## ★ Lower energy than best VMC result:

FNMC+2L [Hu'12]: -1.546 t       $\delta = 0.12$   
 iPEPS (D=14):      -1.578 t

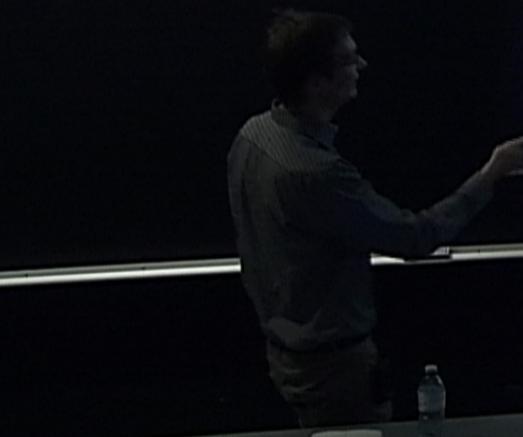
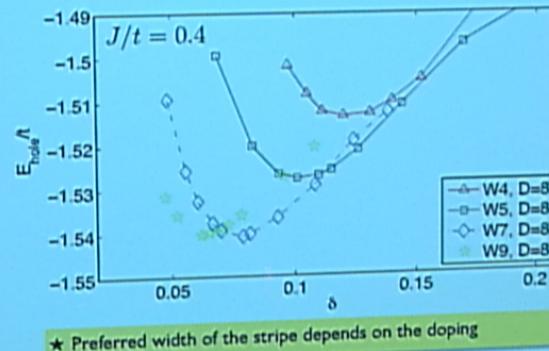


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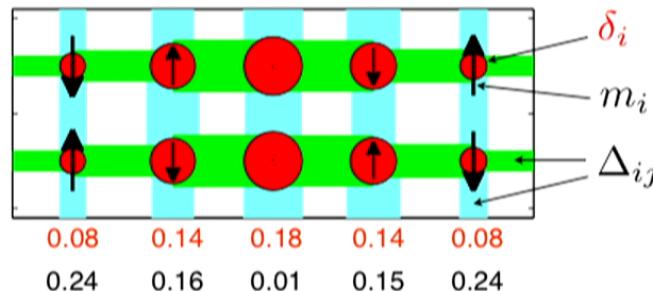
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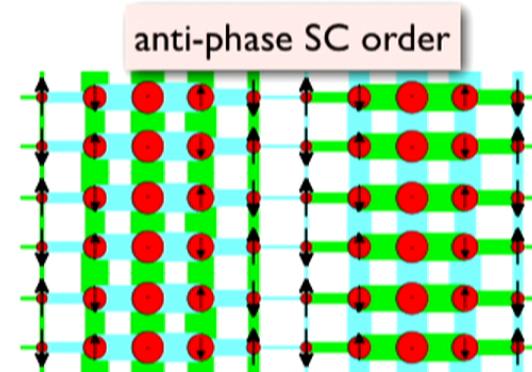
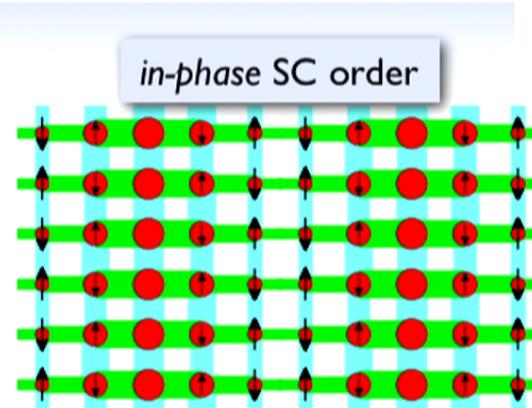


# Vertical stripe state

iPEPS result 5x2 cell

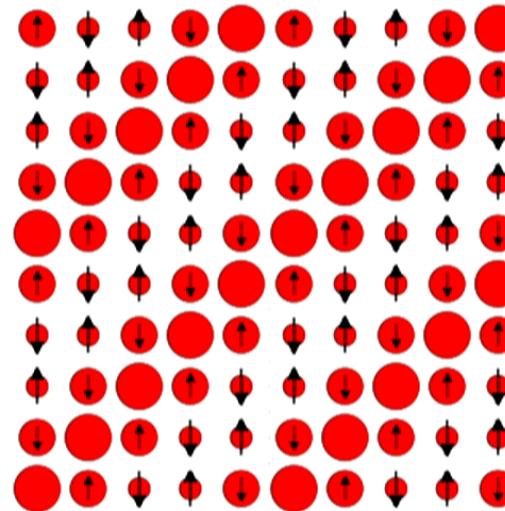
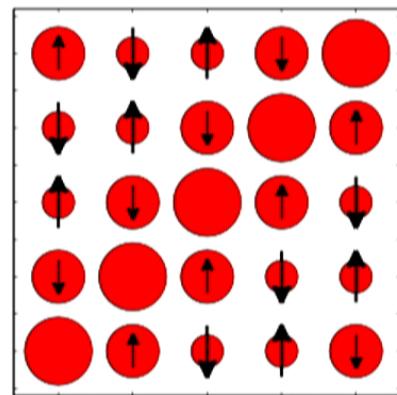


- ★ Modulation in the hole-density, AF and SC order
- ★ “Site-centered” stripe (not bond-centered)
- ★  $\pi$ -phase shift in the AF order
- ★ Preferred stripe width depends on doping  
(width-5 stripe lowest around  $\delta = 0.12$ )
- ★ In-phase and anti-phase stripes have a similar energy (difference:  $O(0.001t)$ )  
Berg et al. '07: Anti-phase stripes lead to effective decoupling between the CuO planes.  
Explains lack of 3D SC above 4K in  $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Ba}_x\text{CuO}_4$  around  $x=1/8$  [Li et al '07]



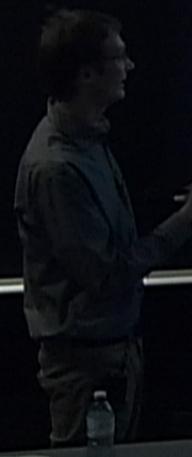
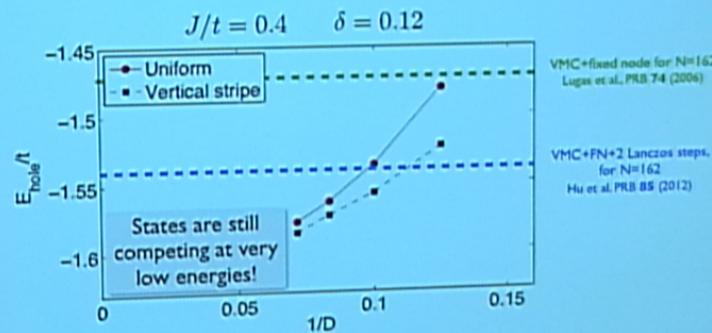
## Diagonal stripe states

5x5 cell



- ★ Insulating with a filling of 1 hole per unit length per stripe
- ★ Competing state, but higher in energy for large D

## Uniform vs stripe state



## Nematic t-J model

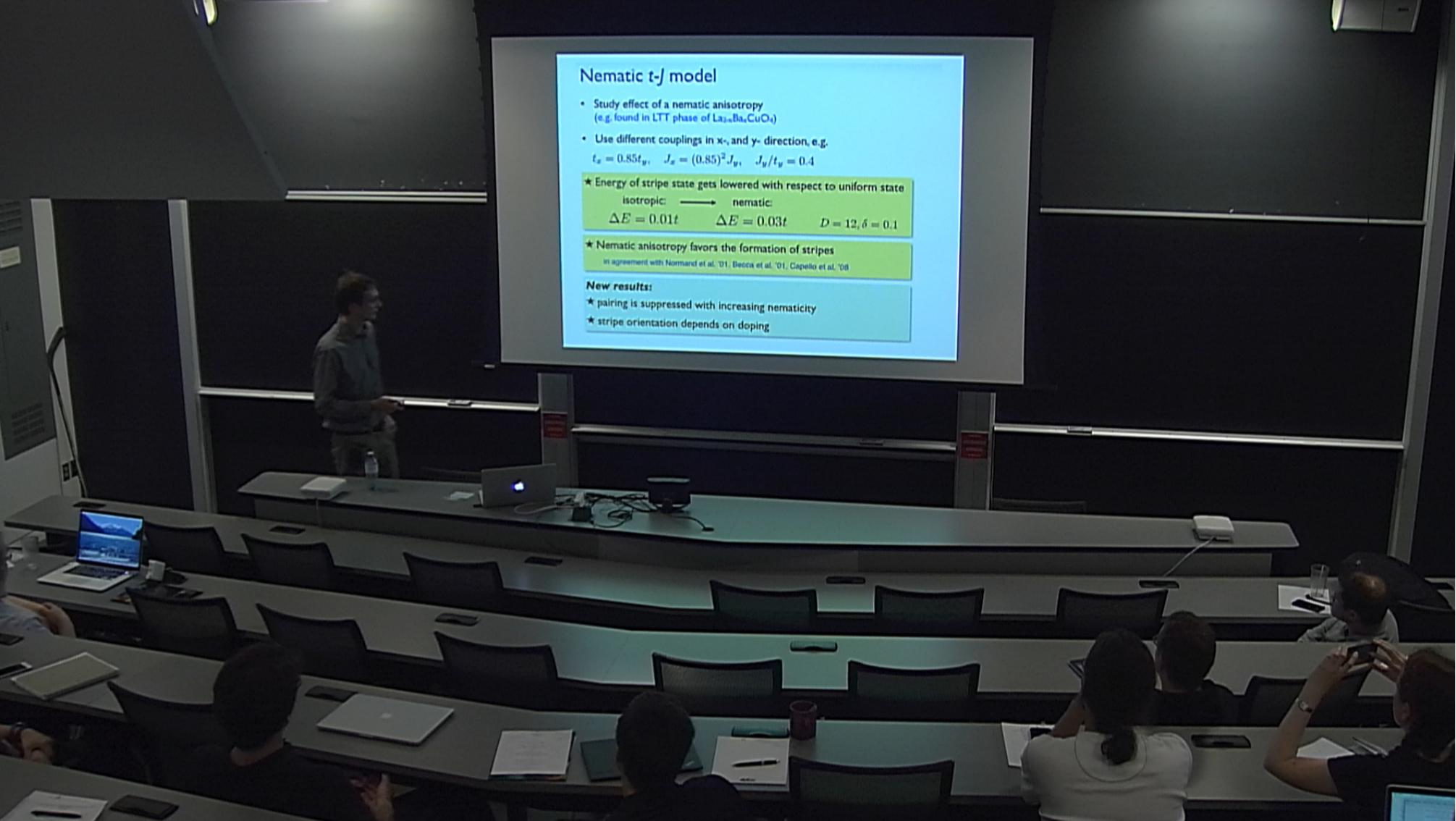
- Study effect of a nematic anisotropy (e.g. found in LTT phase of  $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Ba}_x\text{CuO}_4$ )
- Use different couplings in x- and y- direction, e.g.  
 $t_x = 0.85t_y, \quad J_x = (0.85)^2 J_y, \quad J_y/t_y = 0.4$

★ Energy of stripe state gets lowered with respect to uniform state  
isotropic:  $\longrightarrow$  nematic  
 $\Delta E = 0.01t \quad \Delta E = 0.03t \quad D = 12, \delta = 0.1$

★ Nematic anisotropy favors the formation of stripes  
in agreement with Norman et al. '01, Becca et al. '01, Capello et al. '08

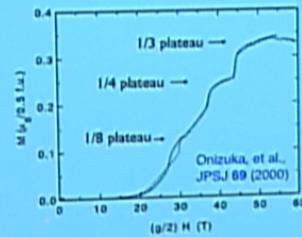
### New results:

- ★ pairing is suppressed with increasing nematicity
- ★ stripe orientation depends on doping



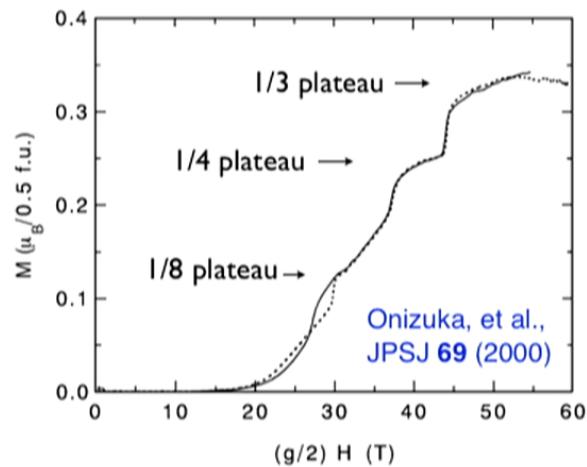
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SrCu<sub>2</sub>(BO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> in a magnetic field exhibits several magnetization plateaus



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The SSM has almost localized triplet excitations [Miyahara&Ueda'99, Kageyama et al. '00]

Triplets repel each other  
(on the mean-field level)

**Intuition:** The magnetization plateaus corresponds to crystals of *localized triplets!* (Mott insulators)

# Magnetization plateaus

- Many experiments and theoretical works over the last 15 years
- Experiments:  $1/8, 2/15, 1/6, 1/4, 1/3, 1/2$
- Theory:  $1/9, 2/15, 1/6, 1/4, 1/3, 1/2$
- What about the  $1/8$  plateau?
- Complicated structures for the  $2/15$  plateau...
- Big puzzle for many years...

Kageyama et al, PRL **82** (1999)  
Onizuka et al, JPSJ **69** (2000)  
Kageyama et al, PRL **84** (2000)  
Kodama et al, Science **298** (2002)  
Takigawa et al, Physica **27** (2004)  
Levy et al, EPL **81** (2008)  
Sebastian et al, PNAS **105** (2008)  
Isaev et al, PRL **103** (2009)  
Jaime et al, PNAS **109** (2012)  
Takigawa et al, PRL **110** (2013)  
Matsuda et al, PRL **111** (2013)  
Miyahara and K. Ueda, PRL **82** (1999)  
Momoi and Totsuka, PRB **61** (2000)  
Momoi and Totsuka, PRB **62** (2000)  
Fukumoto and Oguchi, JPSJ **69** (2000)  
Fukumoto, JPSJ **70** (2001)  
Miyahara and Ueda, JPCM **15** (2003)  
Miyahara, Becca and Mila, PRB **68** (2003)  
Dorier, Schmidt, and Mila, PRL **101** (2008)  
Abendschein & Capponi, PRL **101** (2008)  
Takigawa et al, JPSJ **79** (2010).  
Nemec et al, PRB **86** (2012).  
Lou et al, arXiv:1212.1999.  
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★ Ideal problem for iPEPS: simulating large unit cell embedded in infinite system and compare variational energies of the proposed crystals

## iPEPS simulations of the SSM in a magnetic field

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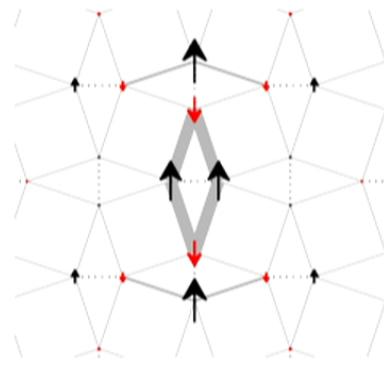
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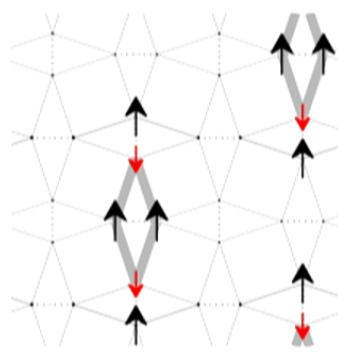
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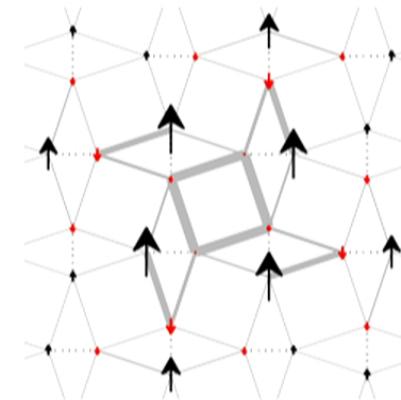
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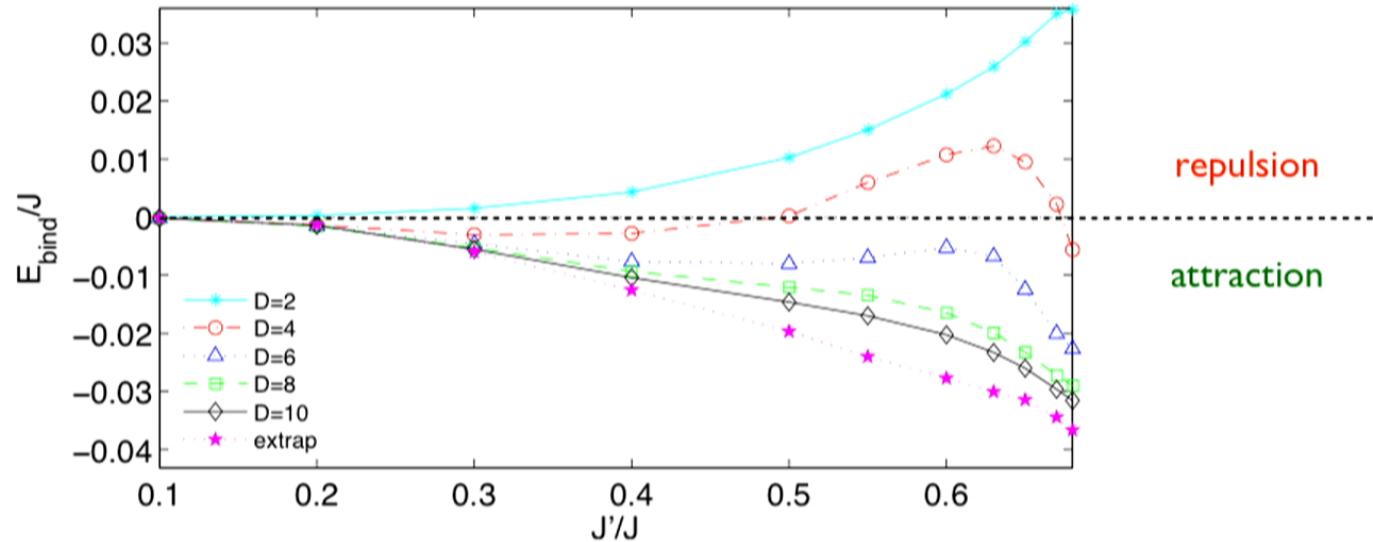
expected spin structure  
of 2 localized triplets  
in a 4x4 cell  
obtained with iPEPS  
for small D



spin structure of a  $S_z=2$   
excitation in a 4x4 cell  
obtained with iPEPS  
for  $D>4$

# Binding energy

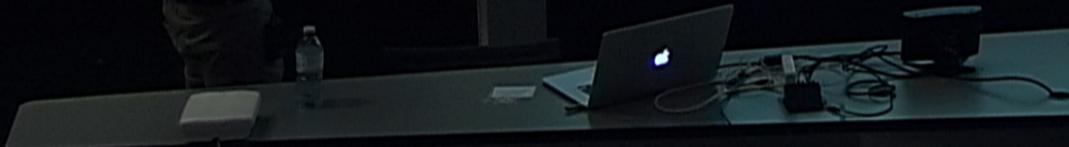
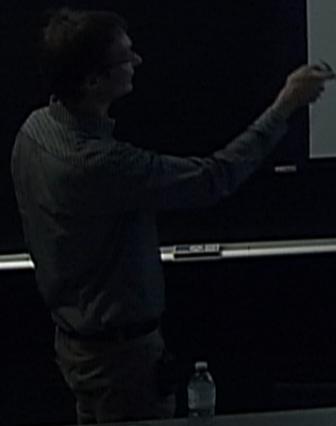
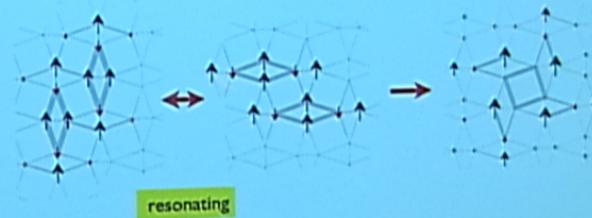
- Compute binding energy of localized bound state:  $E_{bind}^{loc} = E_{bs}^{loc} - 2E_{triplet}^{loc}$



- There is a finite binding energy at sufficiently large  $D$
- "higher-order" quantum fluctuations stabilize bound state

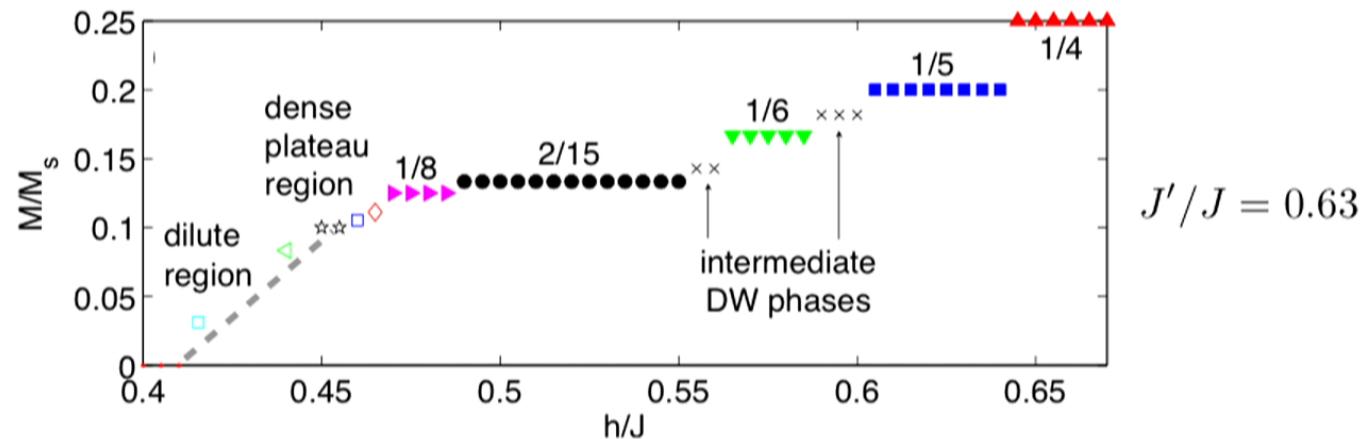
## Binding energy

- Triplets repel each other (to lowest order) but can gain kinetic energy through resonating around a plaquette (correlated hopping process)



# Magnetization curve obtained with iPEPS

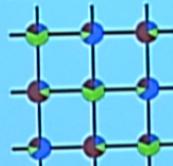
PC, F. Mila, PRL 112 (2014)



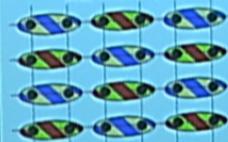
- ★ Sizable plateaus found at: 1/8, 2/15, 1/6, 1/5, 1/4, 1/3, 1/2  
[1/5 plateau vanishes upon adding a small (but realistic) DM interaction]

## SU(N) Heisenberg models

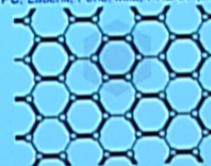
SU(3) square/triangular:  
3-sublattice Néel order  
Bauer, PC, et al., PRB 85 (2012)



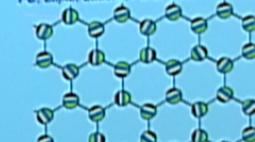
SU(4) square:  
Dimer-Néel order  
PC, Läuchli, Penc, Troyer, Mila, PRL 107 ('11)



SU(3) honeycomb: Plaquette state  
Zhao, Xu, Chen, Wei, Qin, Zhang, Xiang, PRB 85 (2012);  
PC, Läuchli, Penc, Mila, PRB 87 (2013)



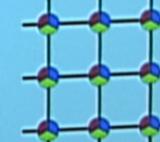
SU(4) honeycomb:  
spin-orbital (4-color) liquid  
PC, Lajkó, Läuchli, Penc, Mila, PRX 2 ('12)



SU(3) kagome:  
Simplex solid state  
PC, Penc, Mila, Läuchli, PRB 86 (2012)



3-color quantum Potts:  
superfluid phases  
Messio, PC, Mila, PRB 88 (2013)



### Variational energies: Convergence in chi

