

Classical and Quantum Computing of Shear Viscosity for 2+1D SU(2) Pure Gauge Theory

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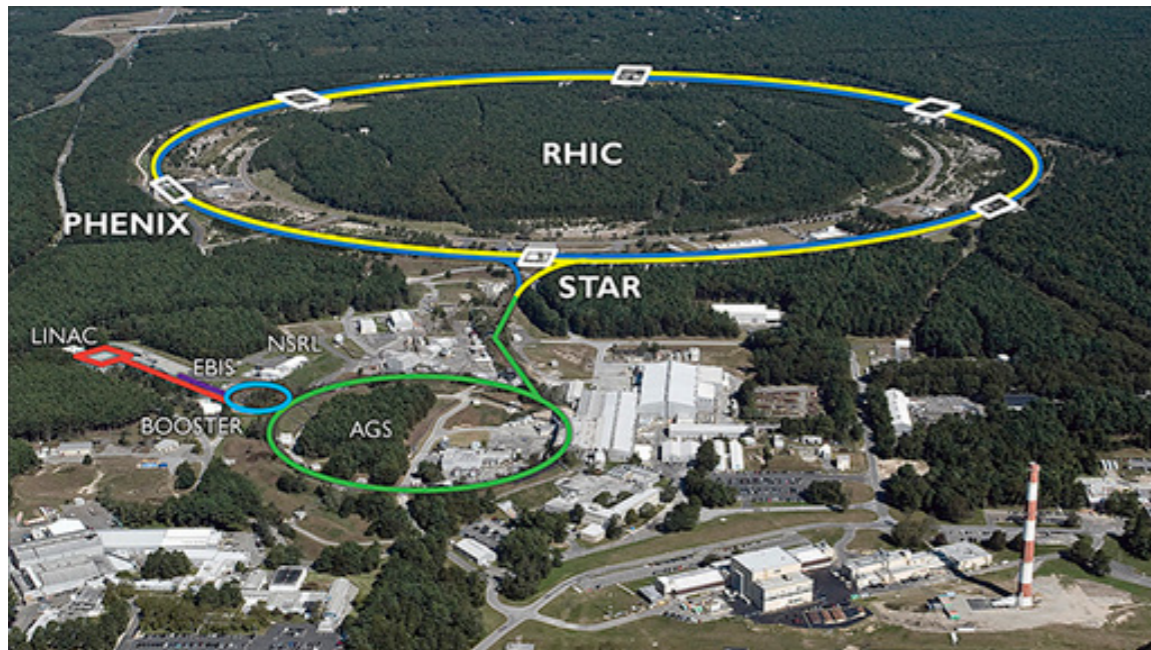
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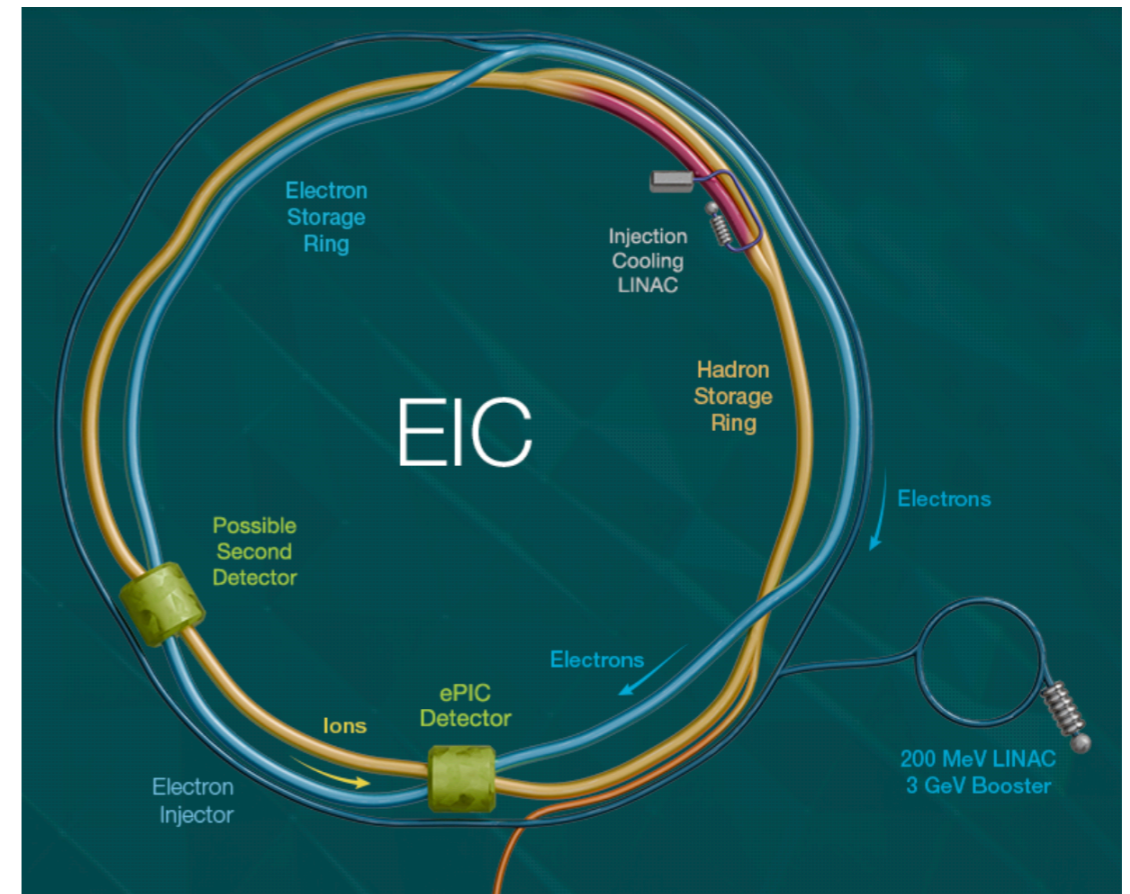
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Quantum Computing for HIC and EIC



Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC)
at Brookhaven National Laboratory



Electron-Ion Collider (EIC) built upon RHIC

- **High energy collider physics of QCD: mixture of perturbative & nonperturbative**

Perturbative scales: jet energy, heavy quark mass, high temperature, gluon saturation

Nonperturbative inputs: PDF, TMD, fragmentation, transport coefficient, equation of state

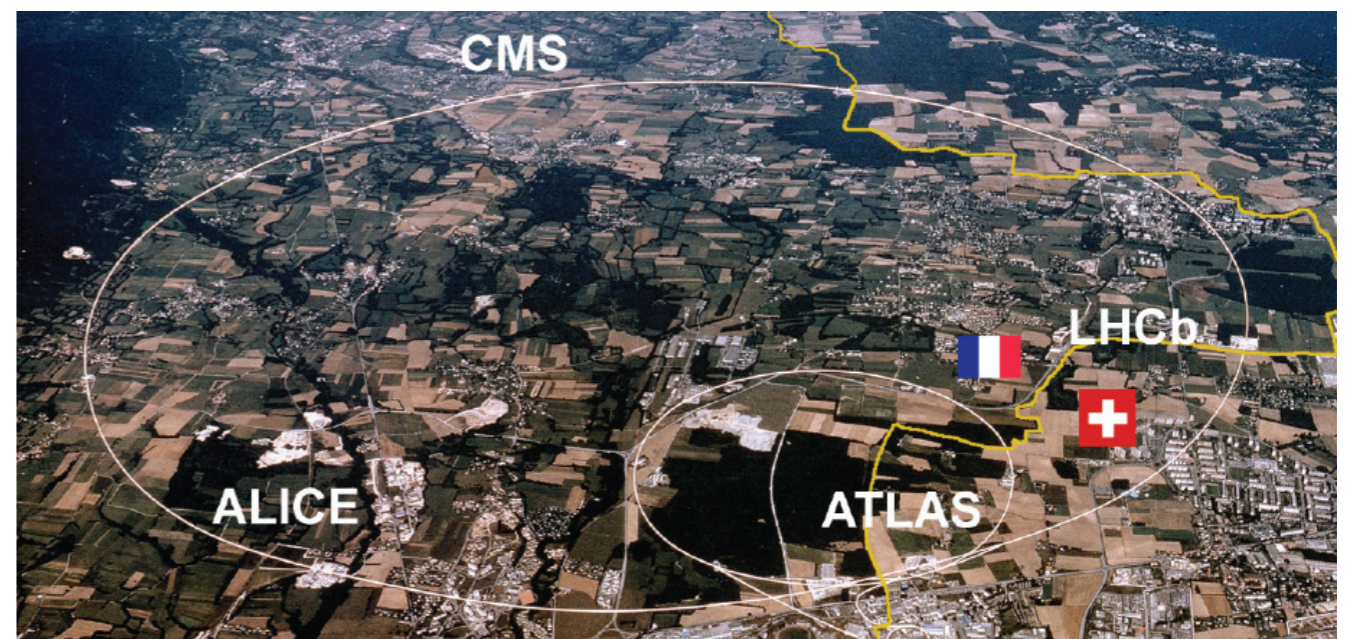
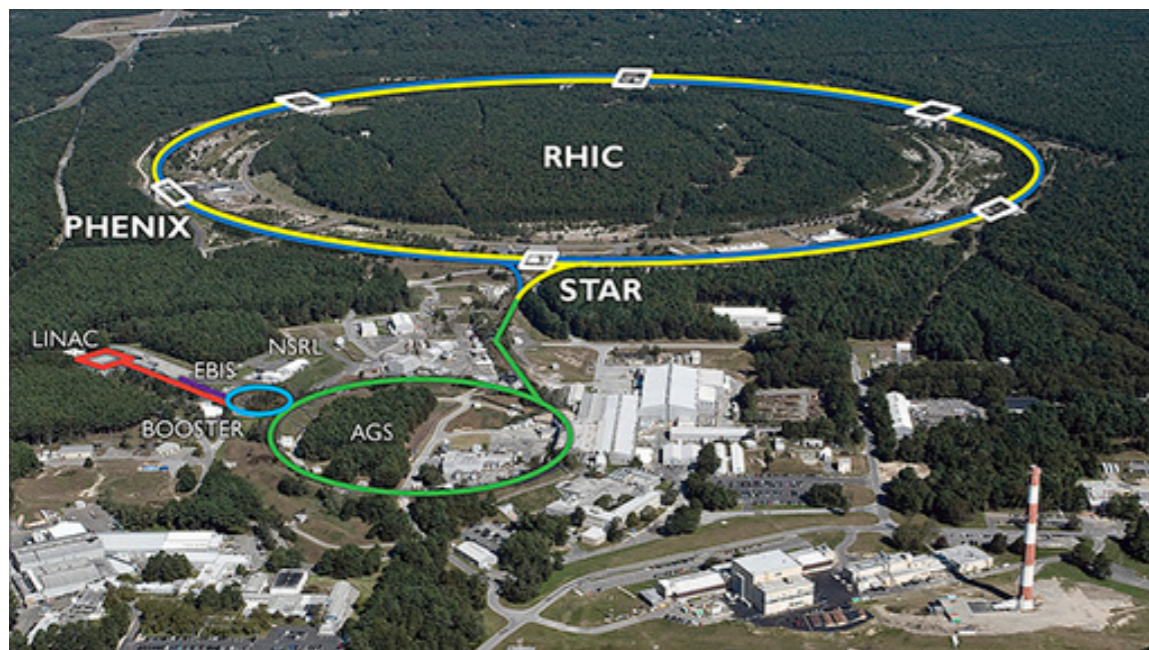
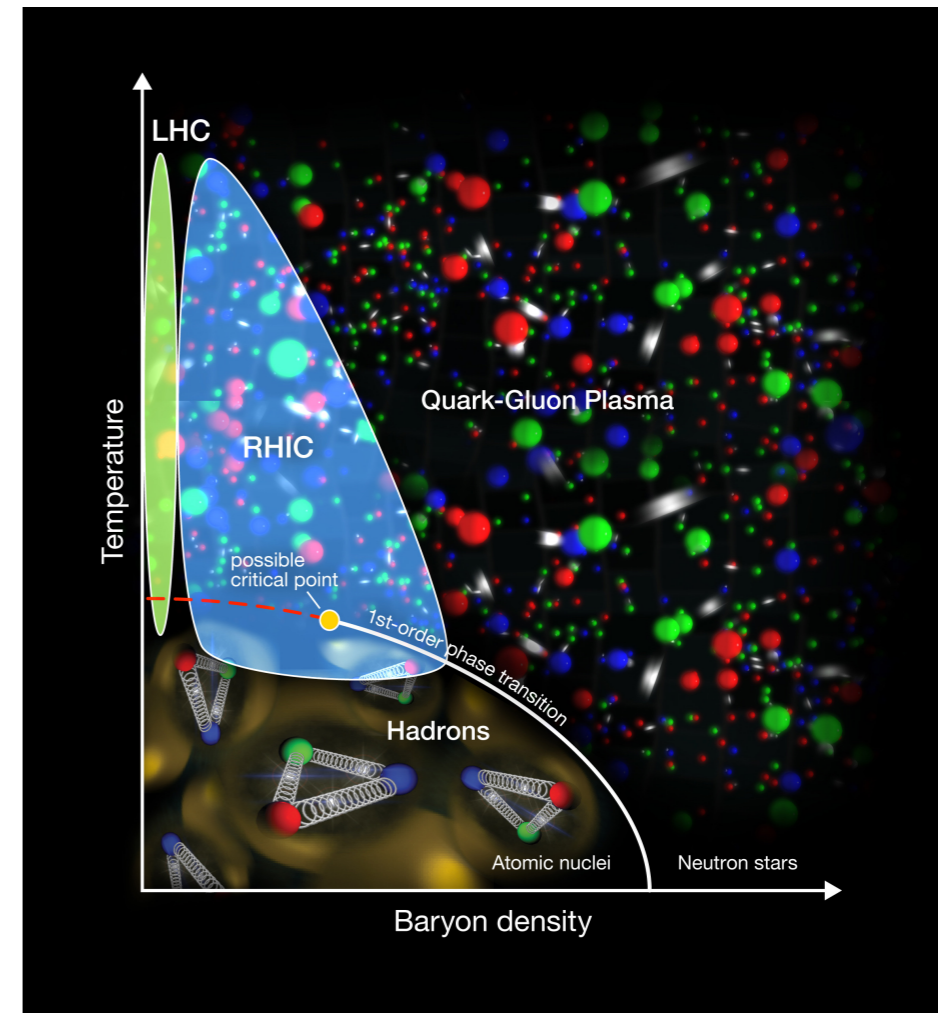
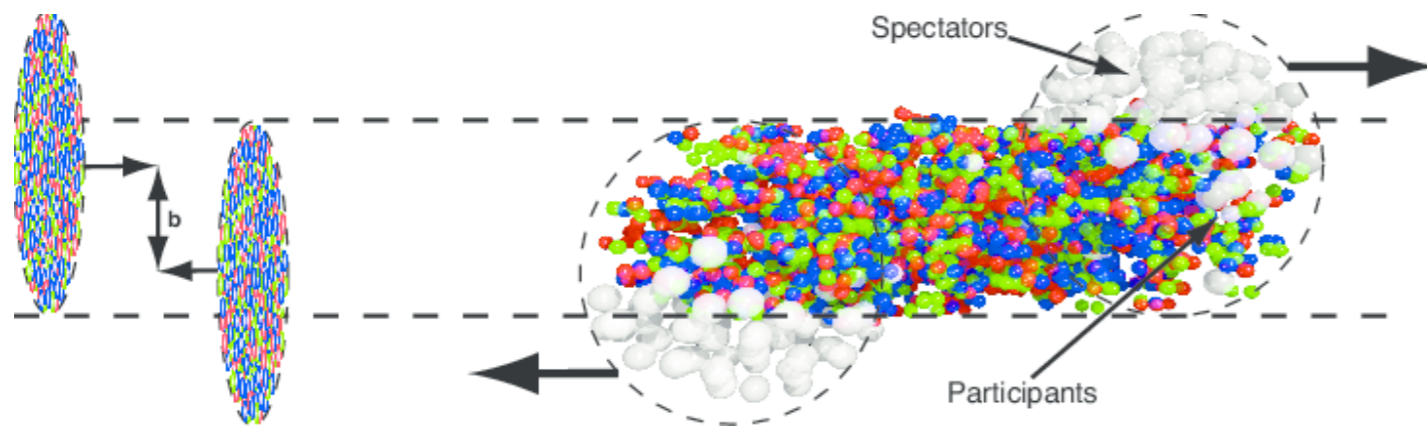
- **Quantum computing useful for nonperturbative calculations where Euclidean lattice QCD suffers from sign problem: real time and high density**

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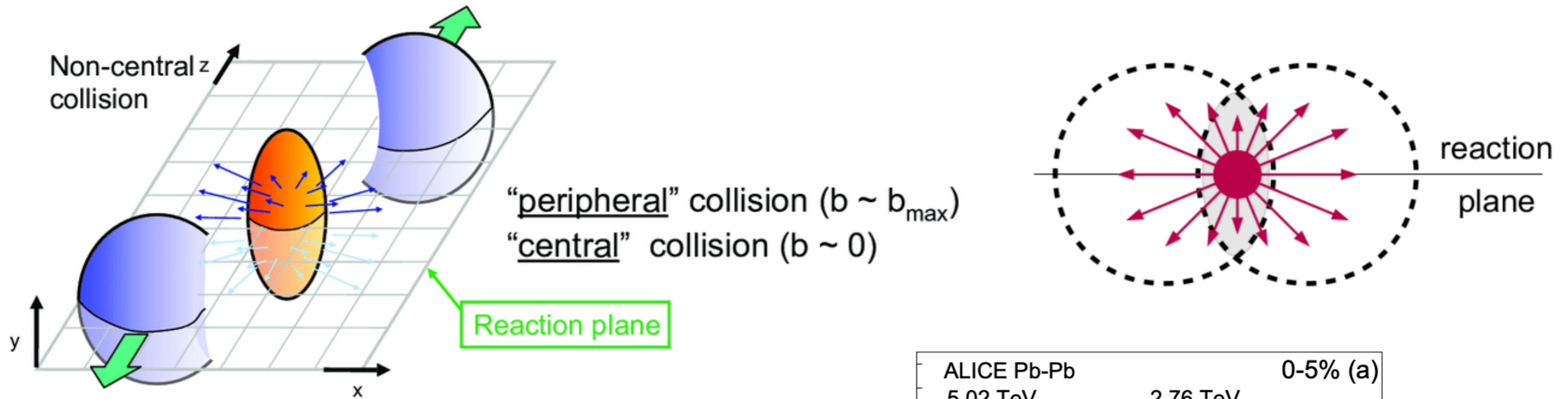
nonperturbative calculation of shear viscosity

Introduction: Heavy Ion Collisions

- Relativistic heavy ion collisions: study deconfined phase of nuclear matter: quark-gluon plasma (QGP), $T > 150 \text{ MeV}$



Particle Distribution in Azimuthal Plane



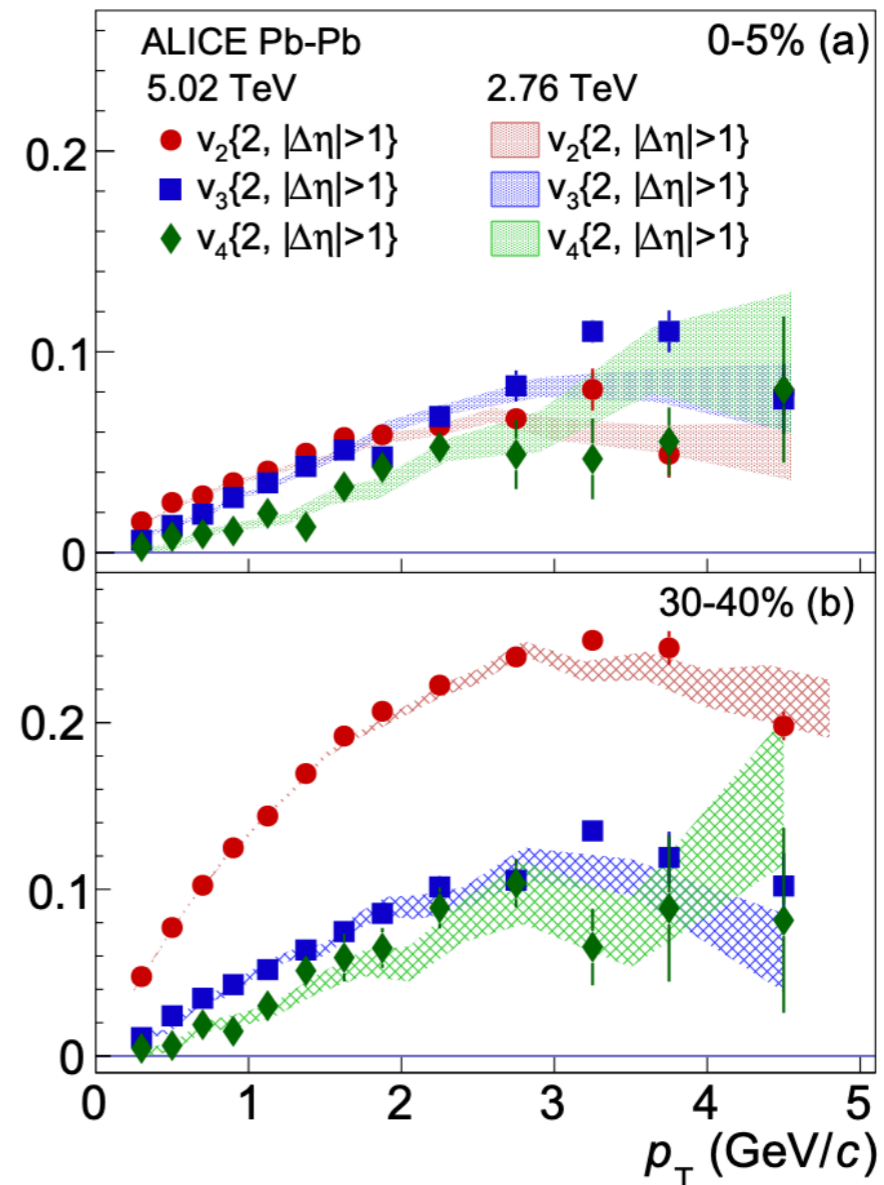
- Anisotropic distribution → collective flow

$$\rho(\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} v_n \cos(n\phi) \right]$$

Flow coefficients

v_2 : elliptic flow,

v_3 : triangular flow



Hydrodynamics and Shear Viscosity

- Use relativistic hydrodynamics to describe collective behavior

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

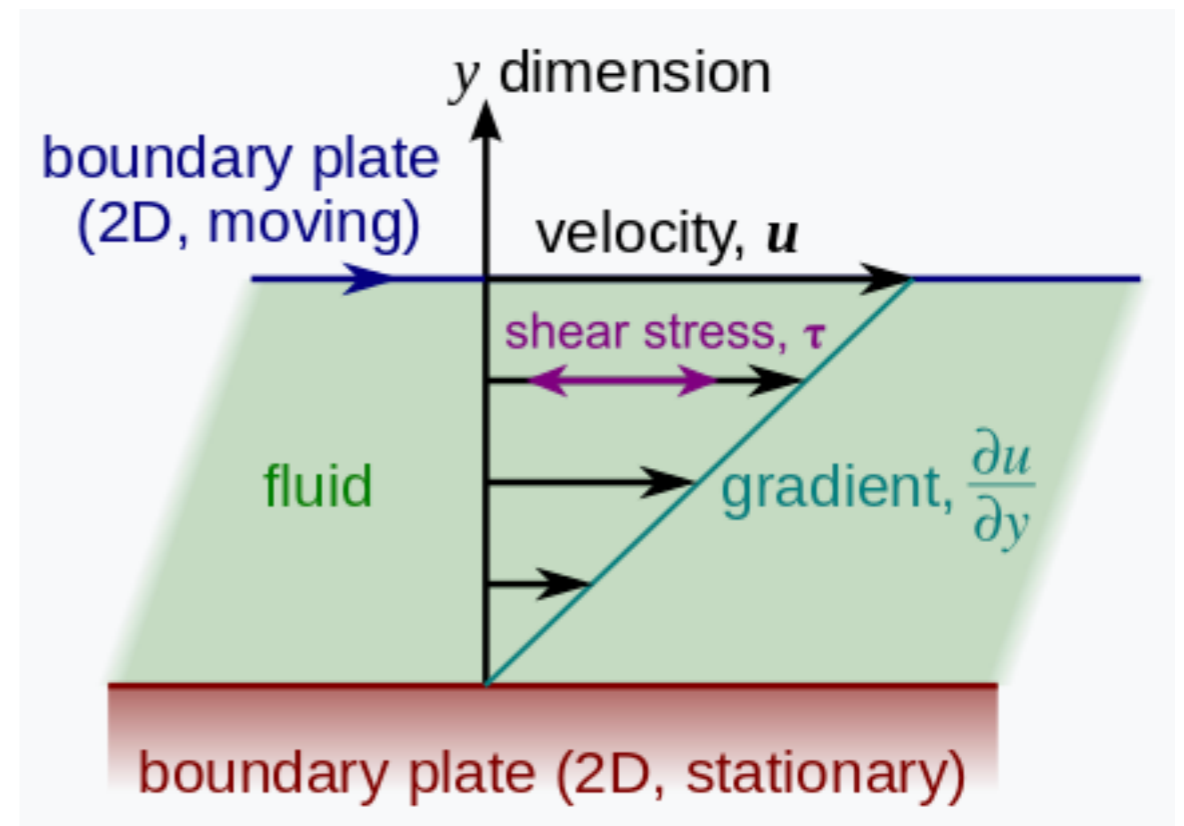
$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\varepsilon + P)u^{\mu}u^{\nu} - P g^{\mu\nu} + 2\eta \nabla^{\langle\mu} u^{\nu\rangle}$$

$$2\nabla^{\langle\mu} u^{\nu\rangle} = \Delta^{\mu\rho} \nabla_{\rho} u^{\nu} + \Delta^{\nu\rho} \nabla_{\rho} u^{\mu} - \frac{2}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} \nabla_{\rho} u^{\rho} \quad \Delta^{\mu\nu} \equiv g^{\mu\nu} - u^{\mu}u^{\nu}$$

Make it causal: Israel-Stewart hydrodynamics

- Shear stress and viscosity η

$$F = \eta A \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$



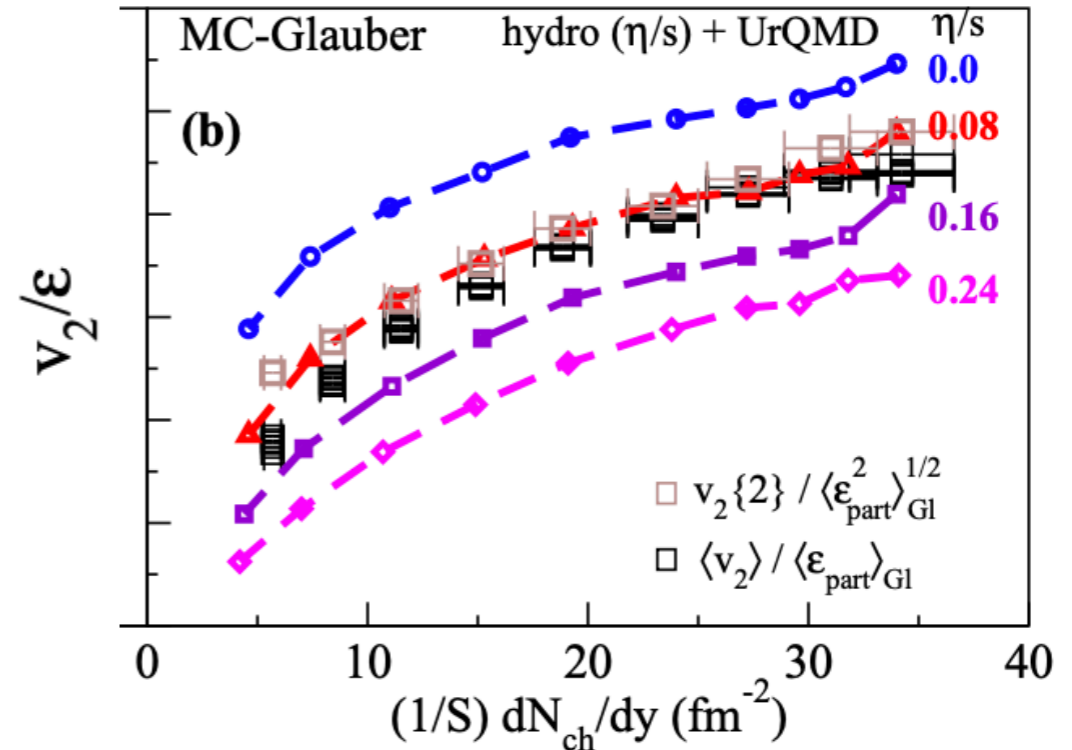
Anisotropic Flow and Shear Viscosity

- Hydrodynamic calculations indicate QGP has small shear viscosity

$\eta/s = 0.08$ best describes data

$\eta/s \sim 1000$ for air

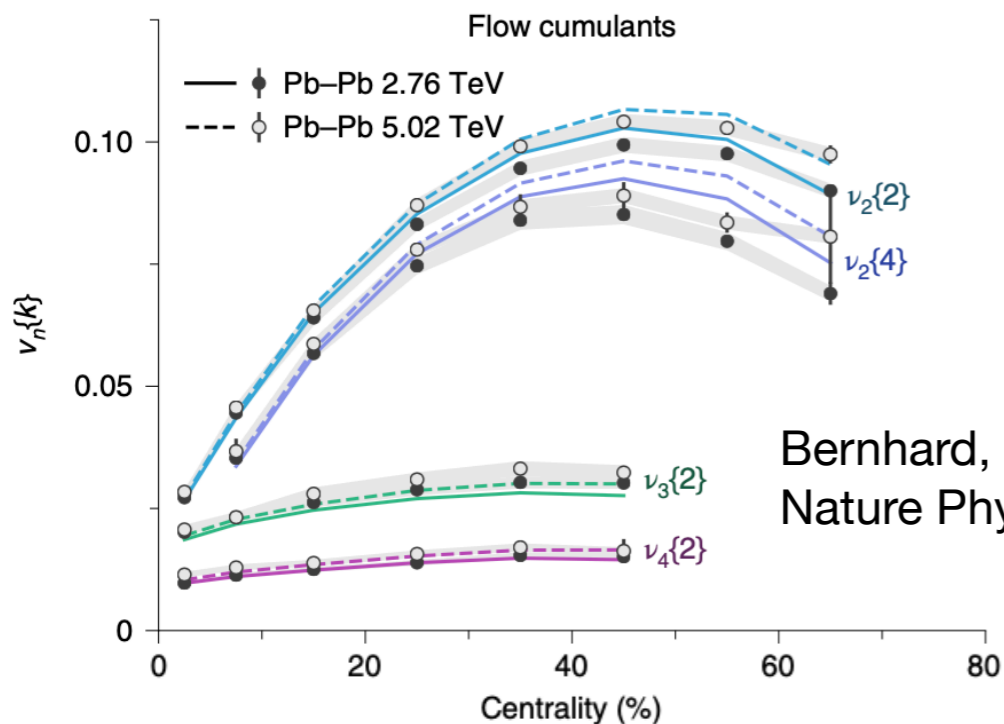
$\eta/s \sim 10$ for water



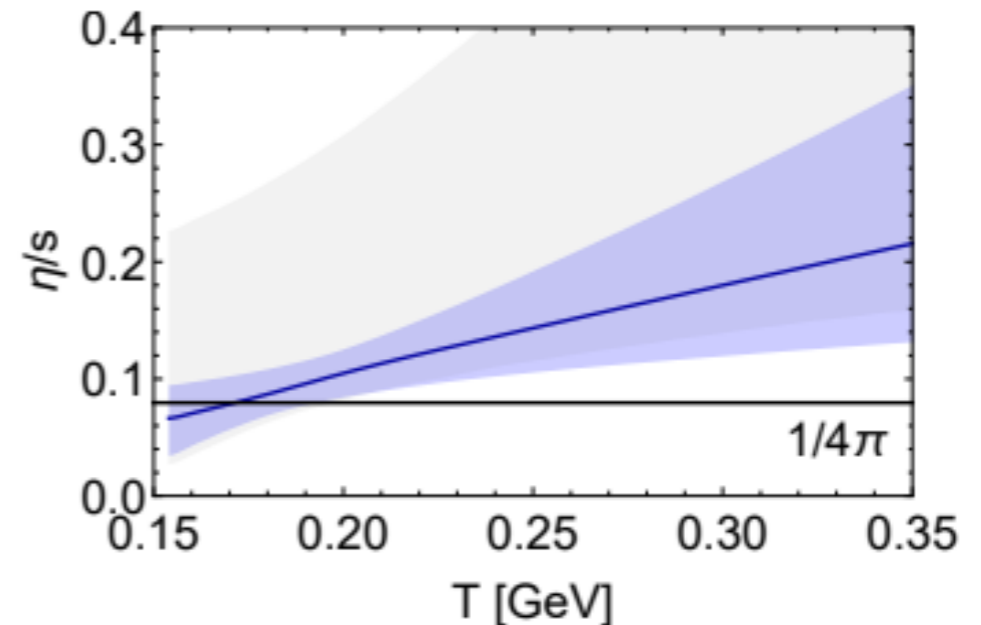
Song, Bass, Heinz, Hirano, Shen, 1011.2783

- Modern analyses show η/s extracted from data consistent with $1/(4\pi)$ from strongly coupled supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory

Policastro, Son, Starinets, hep-th/0104066



Bernhard, Moreland, Bass, Nature Physics 15,1113 (2019)



Nijs, van der Schee, Gursoy, Snellings, 2010.15130

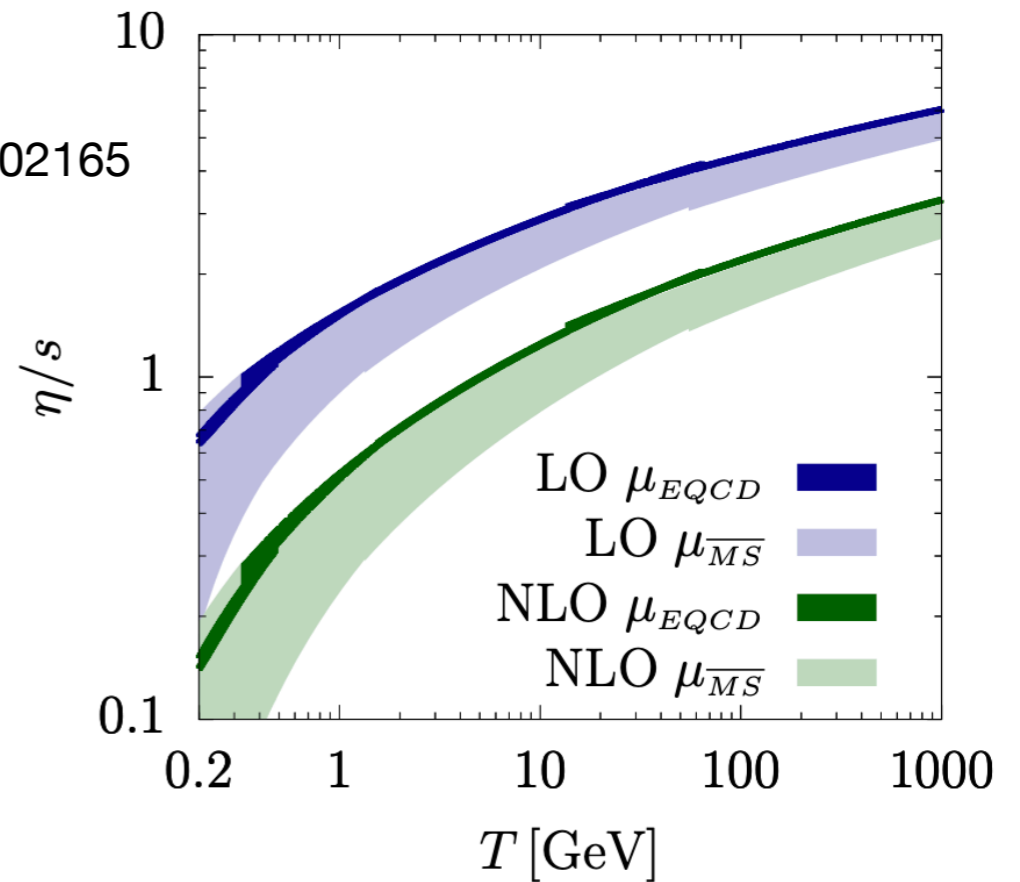
Calculating QCD Shear Viscosity is Challenging

- Perturbation theory, running coupling**

Jeon, Yaffe, Phys. Rev. D 53, 5799 (1996); Arnold, Moore, Yaffe, hep-ph/0302165

At low T , uncertainty band large

At high T , factor of 2 difference between LO and NLO



Ghiglieri, Moore, Teaney, 1802.09535

$$G(\tau) = \int d\mathbf{x} \langle T^{xy}(\mathbf{x}, i\tau) T^{xy}(0, 0) \rangle_T$$

$$G(\tau) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{\rho(\omega)}{\omega} K(\omega, \tau) \quad K(\omega, \tau) = \frac{\omega \cosh(\omega(\tau - 1/(2T)))}{\sinh(\omega/(2T))}$$

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho(\omega)}{\omega}$$

Problems: (1) ill-defined inverse process, different $\rho(\omega)$ can give same $G(\tau)$
 (2) Insensitive to structure of $\rho(\omega)$ at small ω

Contents

- Calculating shear viscosity from **real-time Hamiltonian lattice** approach
 - Calculation setup
 - 2+1D SU(2) pure gauge theory
 - Classical computing results on a small lattice w/ highly truncated basis
 - Quantum computing

Shear Viscosity from Retarded Green's Function

- **Kubo formula: transport determined by real-time correlation function**

“Tree-level” matching $\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega} G_r^{xy}(\omega)$

Baier, Romatschke, Son, Starinets, Stephanov, 0712.2451

- **Retarded Green's function of T^{xy}**

$$G_r^{xy}(\omega) = \int dt e^{i\omega t} G_r^{xy}(t) \equiv \int dt d^2x e^{i\omega t} G_r^{xy}(t, \mathbf{x})$$

$$G_r^{xy}(t, \mathbf{x}) \equiv \theta(t) \text{Tr}([T^{xy}(t, \mathbf{x}), T^{xy}(0, \mathbf{0})] \rho_T)$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{g^2} F^{a\mu\rho} F^{a\nu}_{\rho} + \frac{1}{4g^2} \eta^{\mu\nu} F^{a\rho\sigma} F^a_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\rho_T = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H}$$

Shear Viscosity from Retarded Green's Function

- Express in terms of eigenstates and eigenenergies $H|n\rangle = E_n|n\rangle$

$$\eta = \lim_{t_f \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\eta}(t_f)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\eta}(t_f) &\equiv - \int_0^{t_f} t dt \operatorname{Im} G_r^{xy}(t) \\ &= - \frac{2}{Z\mathcal{A}} \sum_n \sum_{m \neq n} |\langle n | \tilde{T}^{xy} | m \rangle|^2 e^{-\beta E_n} f(t_f) \end{aligned}$$

$$f(t_f) \equiv \frac{\sin((E_n - E_m)t_f)}{(E_n - E_m)^2} - \frac{t_f \cos((E_n - E_m)t_f)}{E_n - E_m}$$

- Assume translational invariance

$$\tilde{T}^{xy}(t) = \int d^2x T^{xy}(t, \mathbf{x})$$

Kogut-Susskind Hamiltonian

- On spatial lattice

$$H = \frac{g^2}{2} \sum_{\text{links}} (E_i^a)^2 - \frac{2}{a^2 g^2} \sum_{\text{plaquettes}} \square(\mathbf{n})$$

- Plaquette term consists of four gauge links

$$\square(\mathbf{n}) = \text{Tr}[U^\dagger(\mathbf{n}, \hat{y})U^\dagger(\mathbf{n} + \hat{y}, \hat{x})U(\mathbf{n} + \hat{x}, \hat{y})U(\mathbf{n}, \hat{x})]$$

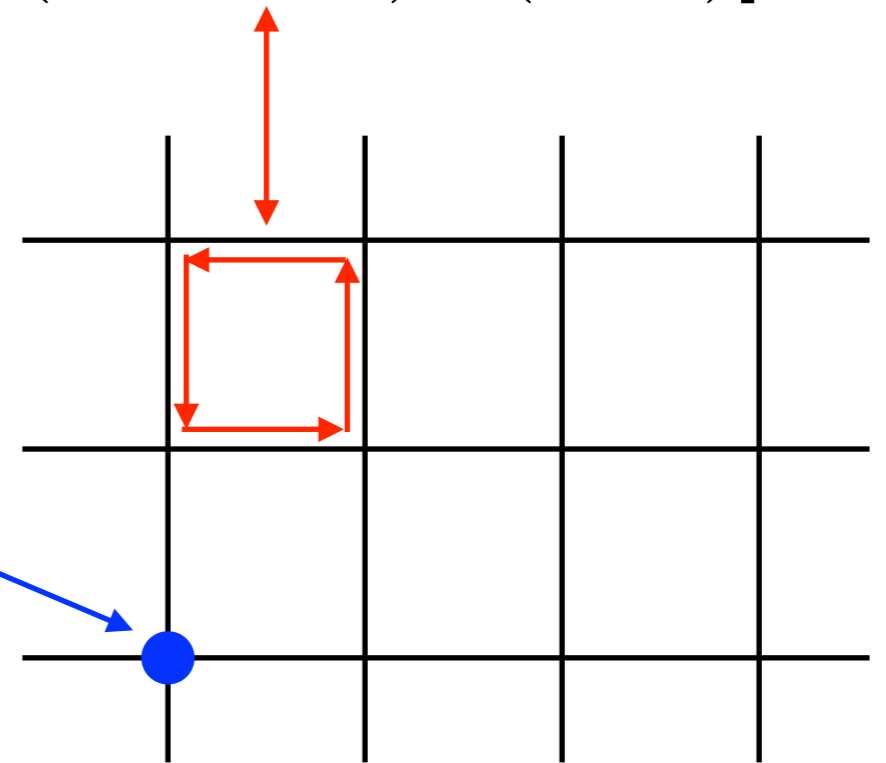
$$U(\mathbf{n}, \hat{i}) = e^{iaA_i(\mathbf{n})}$$

- Electric fields generate gauge transformation

$$[E_i^a, U(\mathbf{n}, \hat{j})] = -\delta_{ij} T^a U(\mathbf{n}, \hat{j})$$

$$[E_i^a, E_i^b] = i f^{abc} E_i^c$$

$$\sum_{i \in \text{vertex}} E_i^a = 0 \quad \text{Gauss's law}$$



Byrnes, Yamamoto, quant-ph/0510027

Electric Basis and Gauss's Law

- **Electric basis on links:** $|j m_L m_R\rangle$ $|j m_L\rangle$ ——— $|j m_R\rangle$

$$E^2 |j m_L m_R\rangle = j(j+1) |j m_L m_R\rangle$$

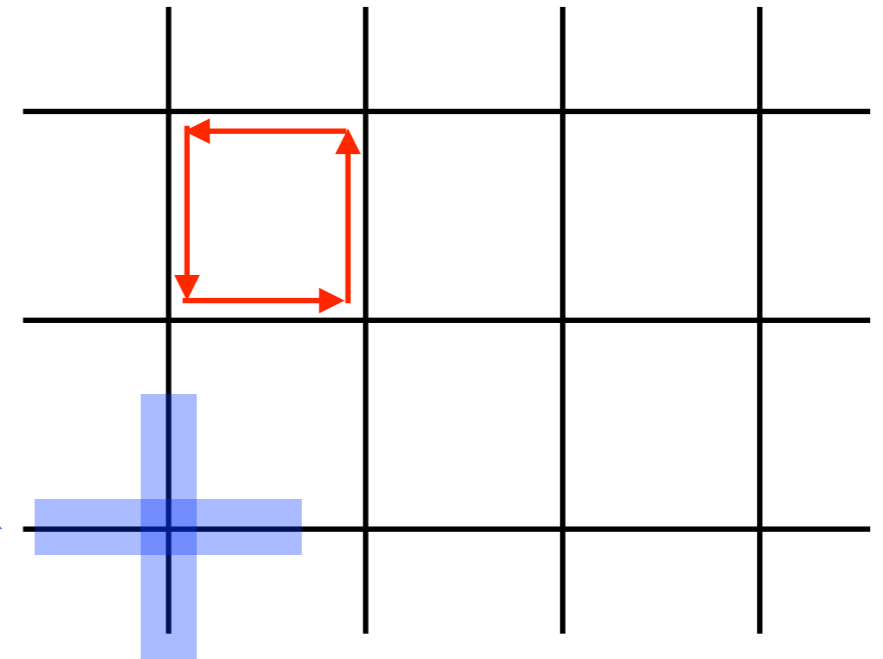
Similar to angular momentum quantum numbers

- **Only gauge invariant states are physical**

Impose Gauss's law: physical states transform as **SU(2) singlet** at each vertex

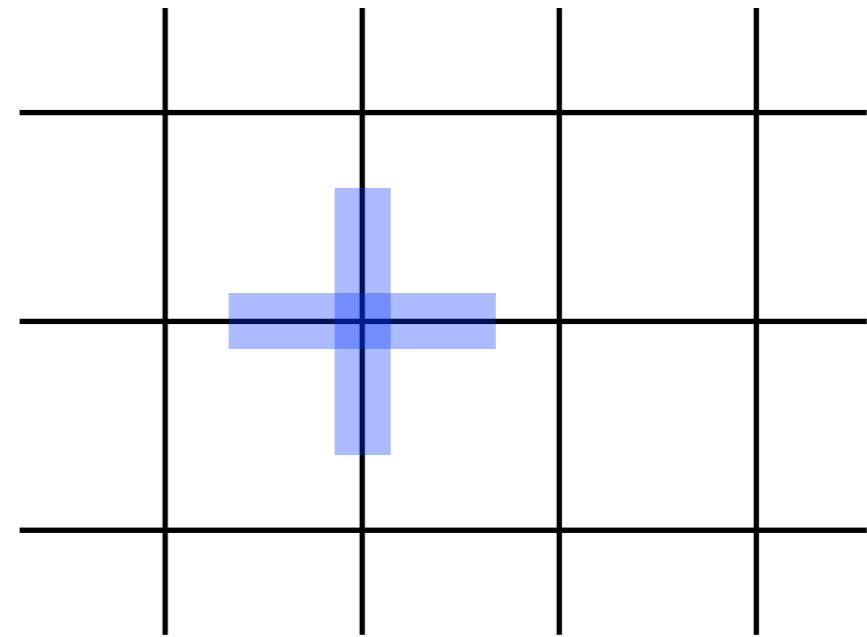
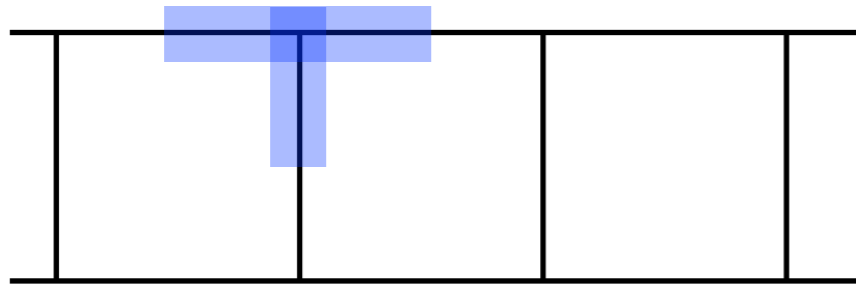
E.g. two links with $j = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle - \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \rightarrow |0, 0\rangle$$

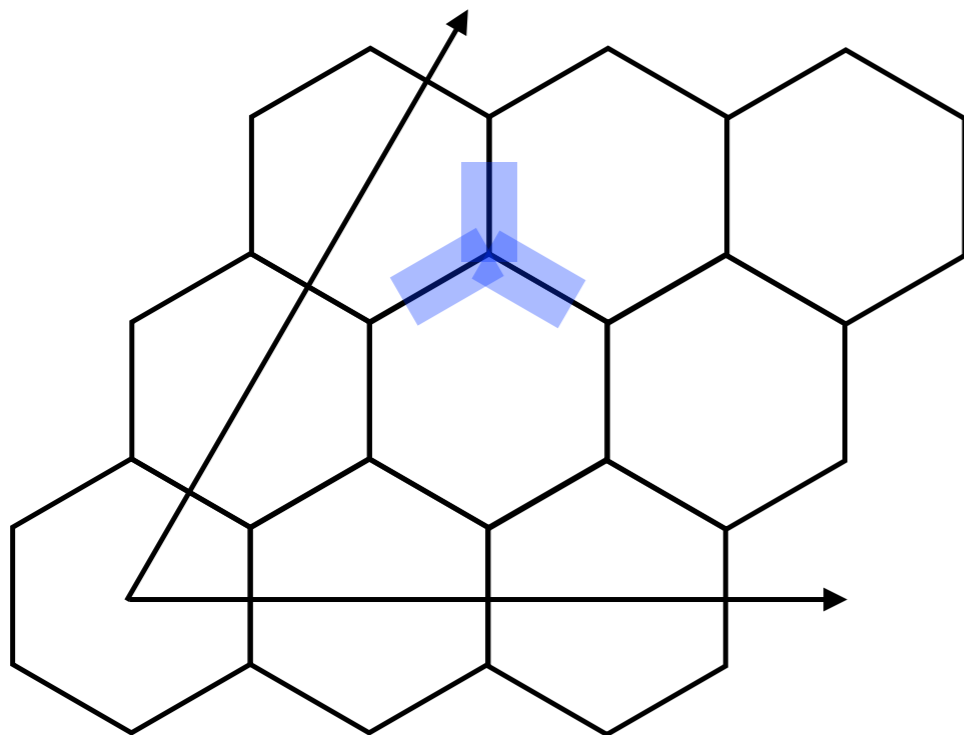


Honeycomb Lattice

- **Problem on square lattice:** each vertex has four links \rightarrow singlet is **not uniquely** defined by four j values



- **Use honeycomb lattice**



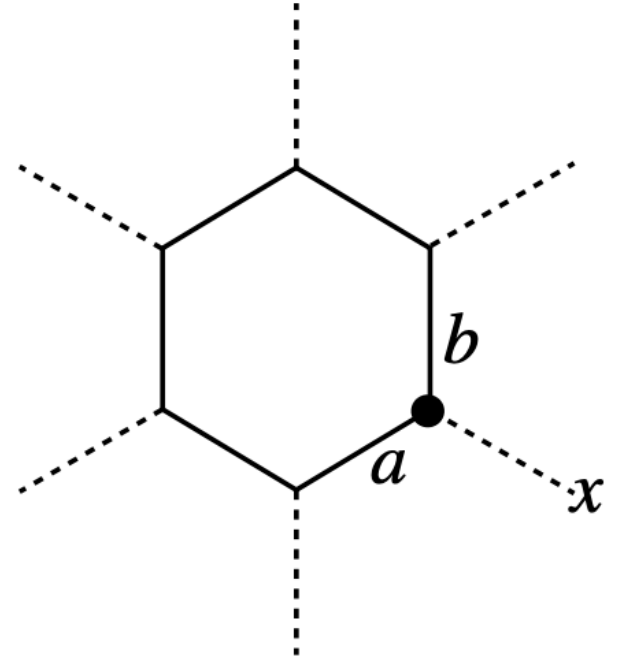
$$H_{\text{el}} = \frac{g^2}{2} \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \sum_{\text{links}} E_i^a E_i^a$$

$$H_{\text{mag}} = -\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{9a^2 g^2} \sum_{\text{plaqs}} \text{Hexagon}$$

Matrix Elements of Hamiltonian and T^{xy}

- **Plaquette matrix element in electric basis**

$$\langle \{J\} | \text{Hexagon} | \{j\} \rangle \equiv \langle \{J\} | \prod_{V=1}^6 M_V | \{j\} \rangle$$

$$= \prod_{V=1}^6 (-1)^{j_a + J_b + j_x} \sqrt{(2J_a + 1)(2j_b + 1)} \left\{ \begin{matrix} j_x & j_a & j_b \\ \frac{1}{2} & J_b & J_a \end{matrix} \right\}$$


The diagram shows a hexagonal plaquette with solid lines for internal links and dashed lines for external links. A vertex is labeled with a black dot. The two internal links are labeled 'a' and 'b', and the external link is labeled 'x'. The links are oriented such that 'a' and 'b' are adjacent, and 'x' is opposite to the vertex where 'a' and 'b' meet.

Klco, Stryker, Savage, 1908.06935

Zache, González-Cuadra, Zoller, 2304.02527

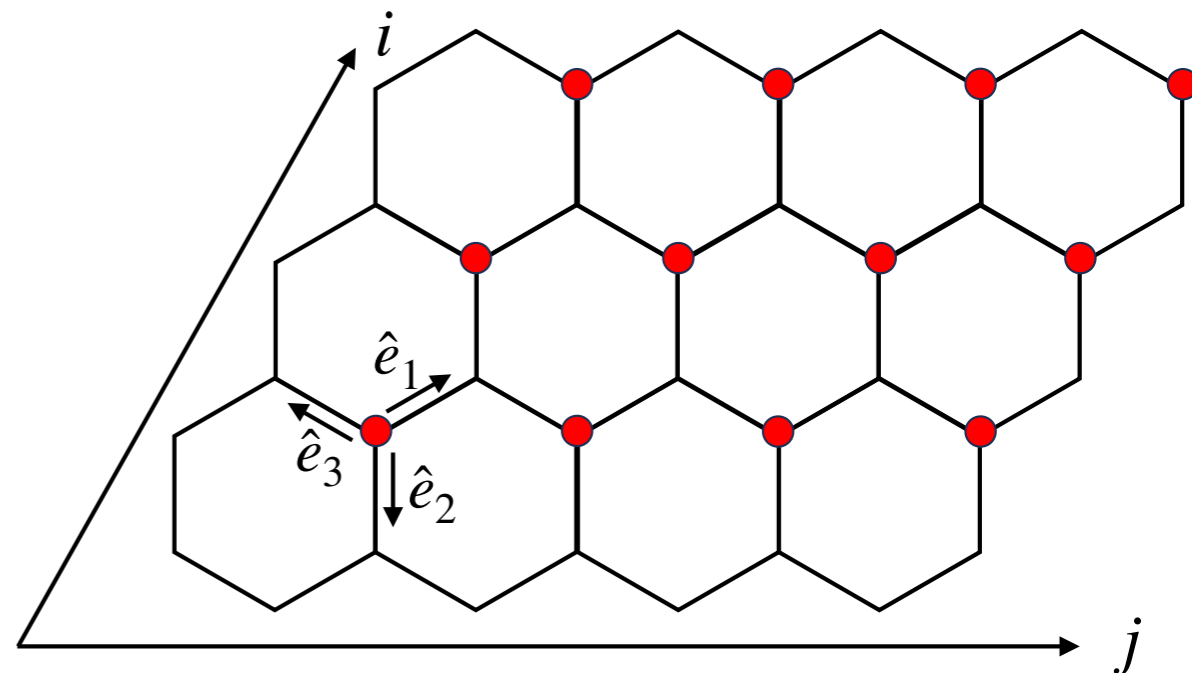
Hayata, Hidaka, 2305.05950

Each vertex (V) has two internal links (a, b) and one external (x)

- **T^{xy} operator** $T^{xy} = -\frac{g^2}{a^2} E_x^a E_y^a$

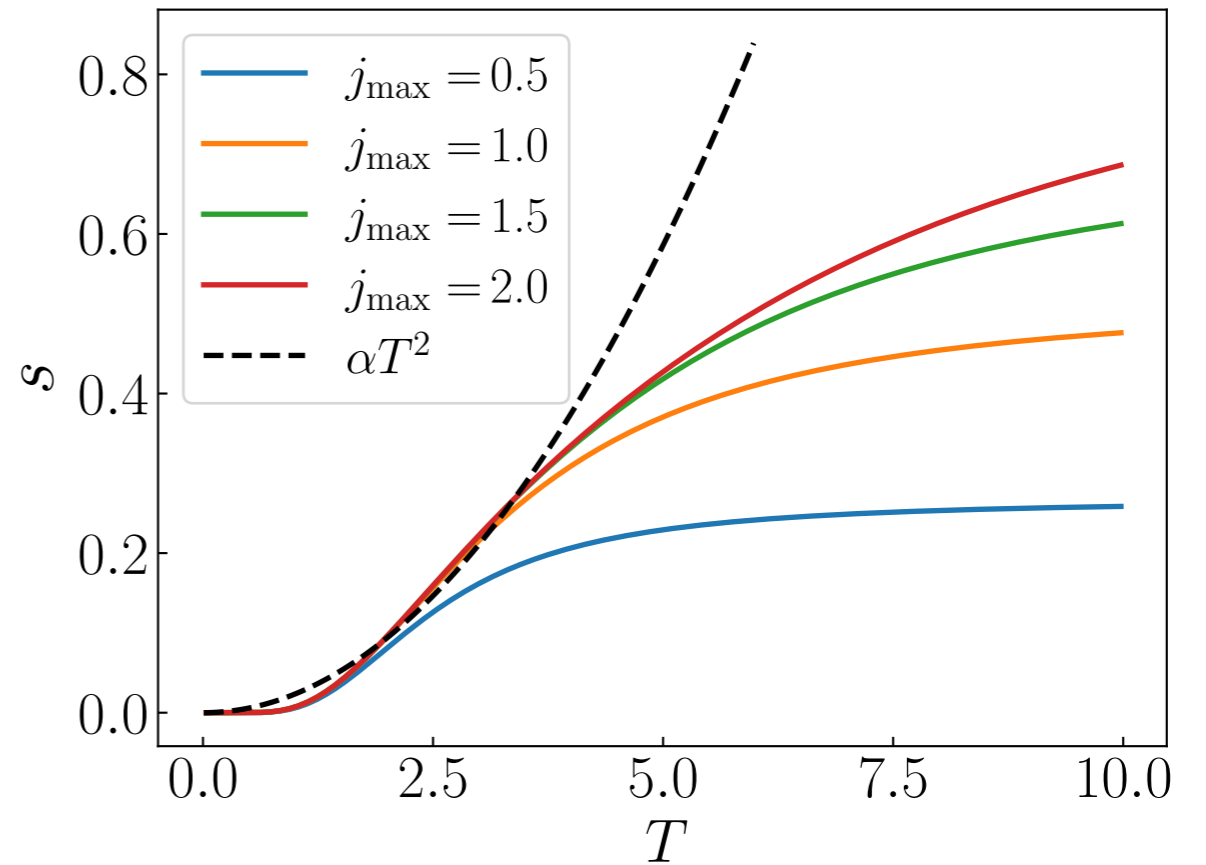
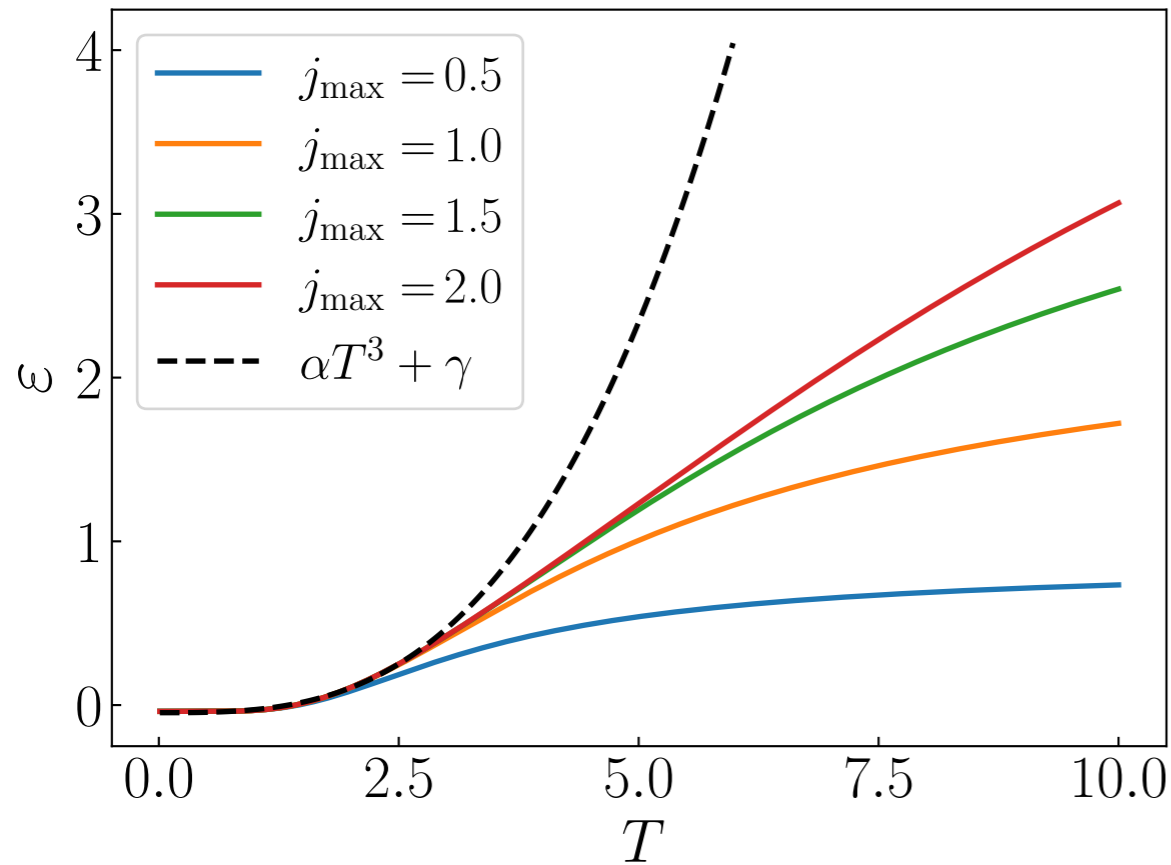
$$E_1^a + E_2^a + E_3^a = 0$$

$$T^{xy} = -\frac{g^2}{\sqrt{3}a^2} \left((E_1^a)^2 - (E_3^a)^2 \right)$$



j_{\max} Cutoff Effect

- Energy and entropy densities on 2×2 lattice with $ag^2 = 1$

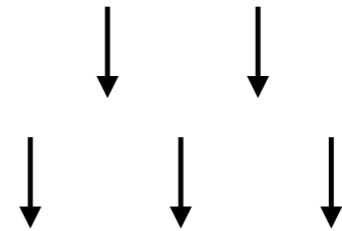
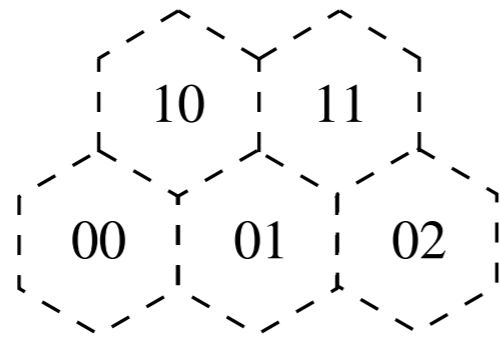


- To describe states up to energy E with error ϵ , we need at most

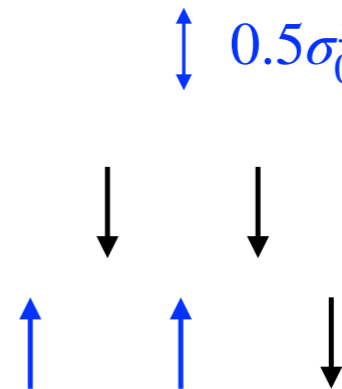
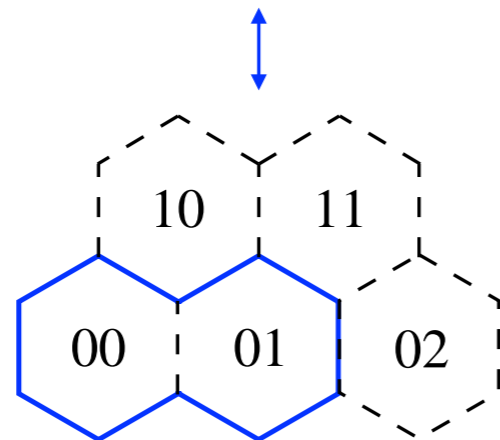
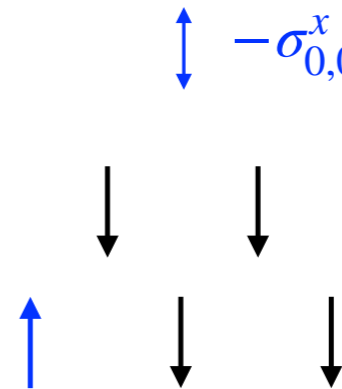
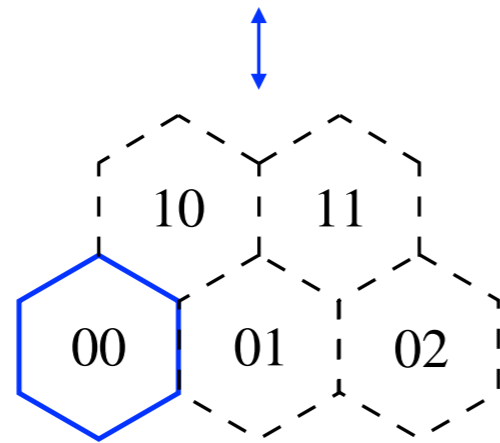
$$j_{\max} = \frac{4N_l \tilde{E}}{3\sqrt{3}g^2\epsilon} \quad \tilde{E} = E + \frac{16\sqrt{3}}{9g^2a^2}N_p$$

Simplify Hamiltonian with $j_{\max} = 1/2$

$$\text{SU}(2) \text{ w/ } j_{\max} = \frac{1}{2}$$



Ising plane



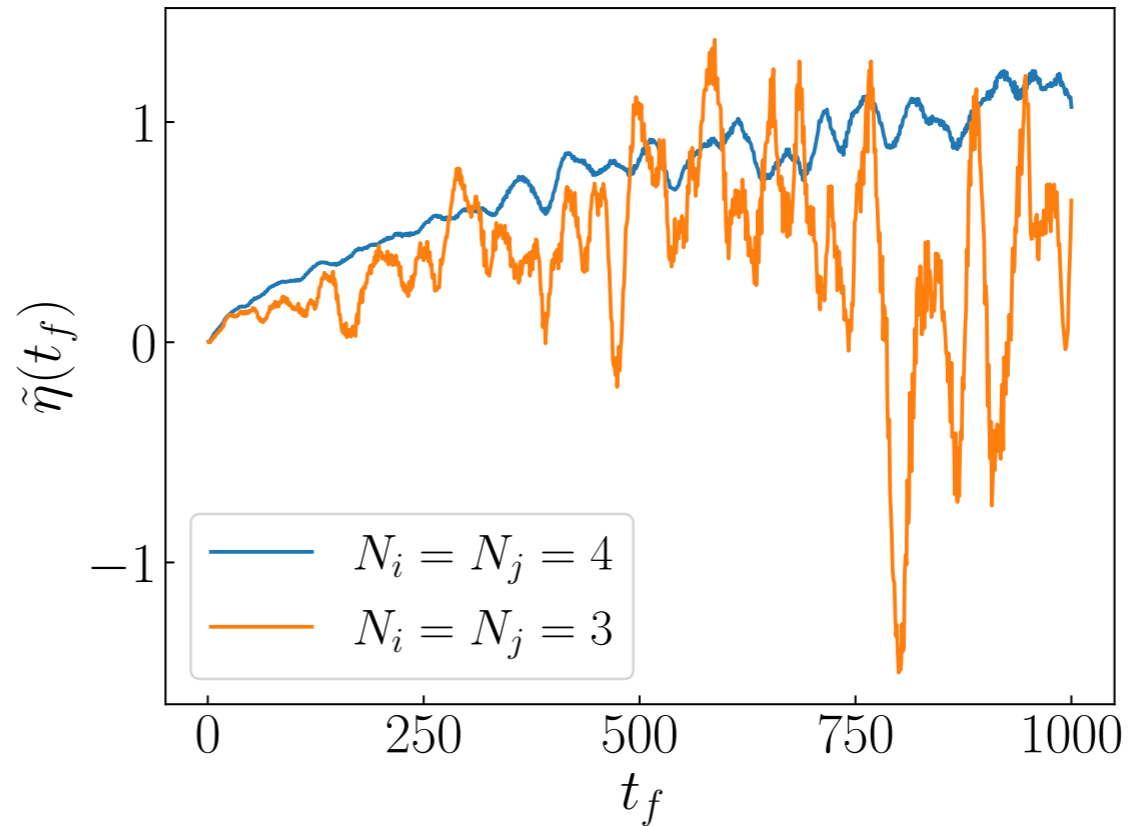
$$aH = h_+ \sum_{(i,j)} \Pi_{i,j}^+ - h_{++} \sum_{(i,j)} \Pi_{i,j}^+ \left(\Pi_{i+1,j}^+ + \Pi_{i,j+1}^+ + \Pi_{i+1,j-1}^+ \right) + h_x \sum_{(i,j)} (-0.5)^{c_{i,j}} \sigma_{i,j}^x$$

$$\Pi_{i,j}^+ = (1 + \sigma_{i,j}^z)/2 \quad h_+ = \frac{27\sqrt{3}}{8} ag^2, \quad h_{++} = \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{8} ag^2, \quad h_x = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{9ag^2}$$

Results at Fixed Coupling for $j_{\max} = 1/2$ Model

- Finite size effect

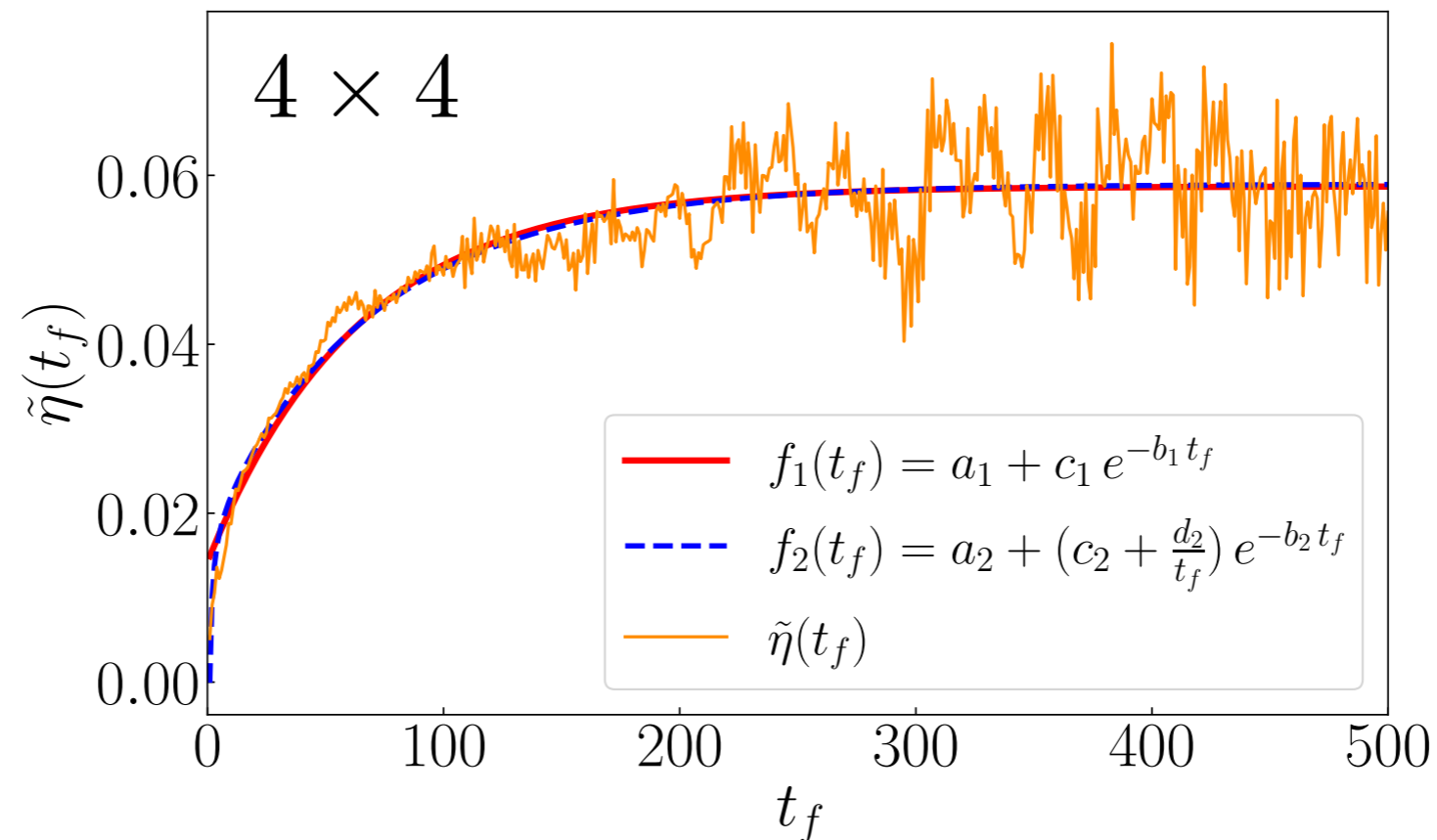
$$|\tilde{T}_{nm}^{xy}|^2 \left(\frac{\sin((E_n - E_m)t_f)}{(E_n - E_m)^2} - \frac{t_f \cos((E_n - E_m)t_f)}{E_n - E_m} \right)$$



$$\beta = 0.3a$$

$$ag^2 = 1$$

- Fit plateau value



$$\beta = 0.2a$$

$$ag^2 = 0.6$$

Running Coupling and “Continuum” Limit

- Renormalization of coupling

$$\frac{d \ln(ag^2)}{d \ln a} = 1$$

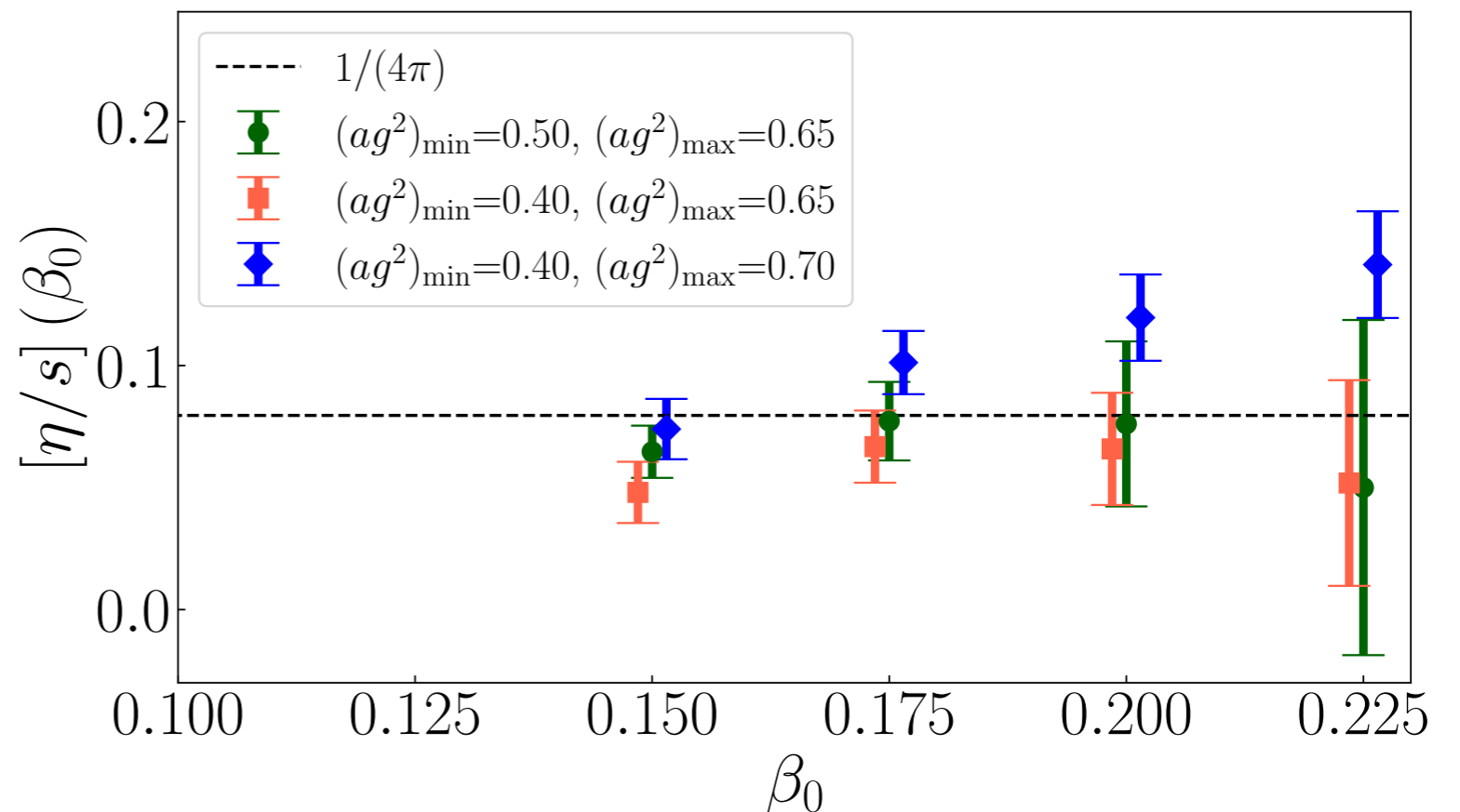
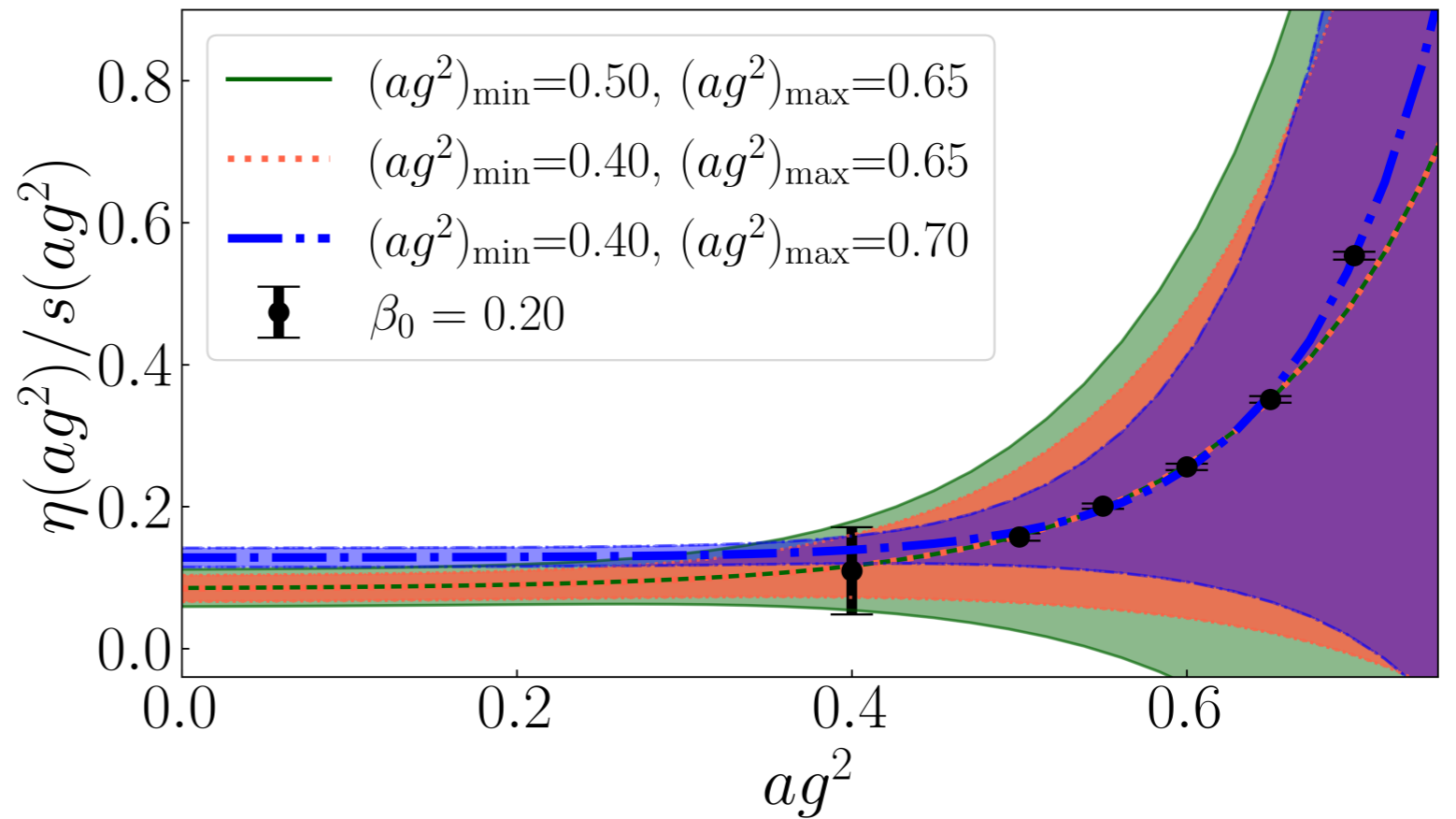
Romatschke, 1910.09550

$$f(ag^2) = c_0 + c_1 e^{c_2 ag^2}$$

- Temperature dependence for truncated lattice model

$$4 \times 4, j_{\max} = 1/2$$

β_0 in lattice unit is the temperature when $ag^2 = 1$



Spectral Function at Small Frequency

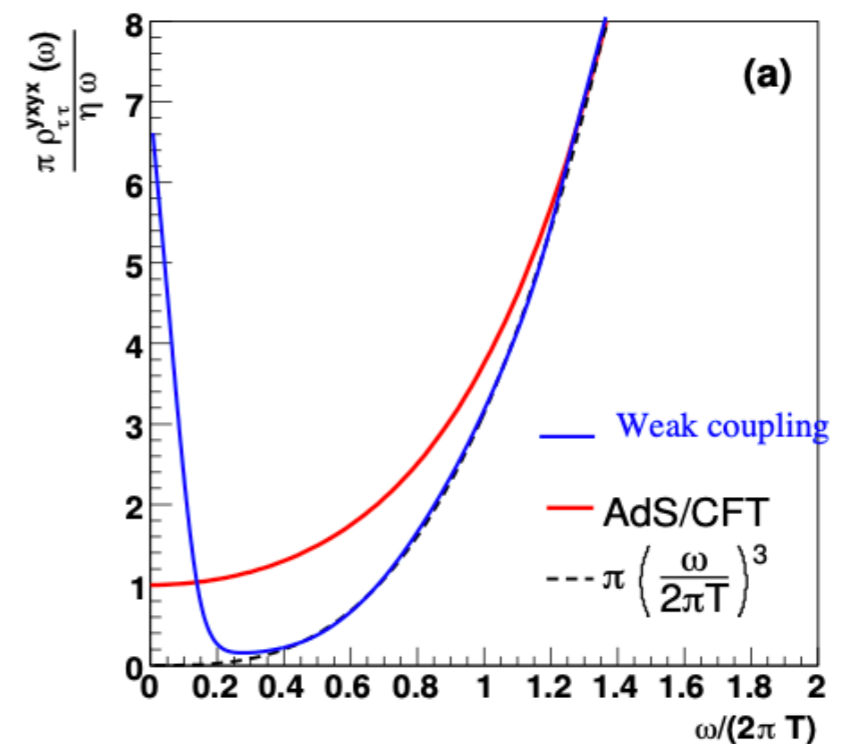
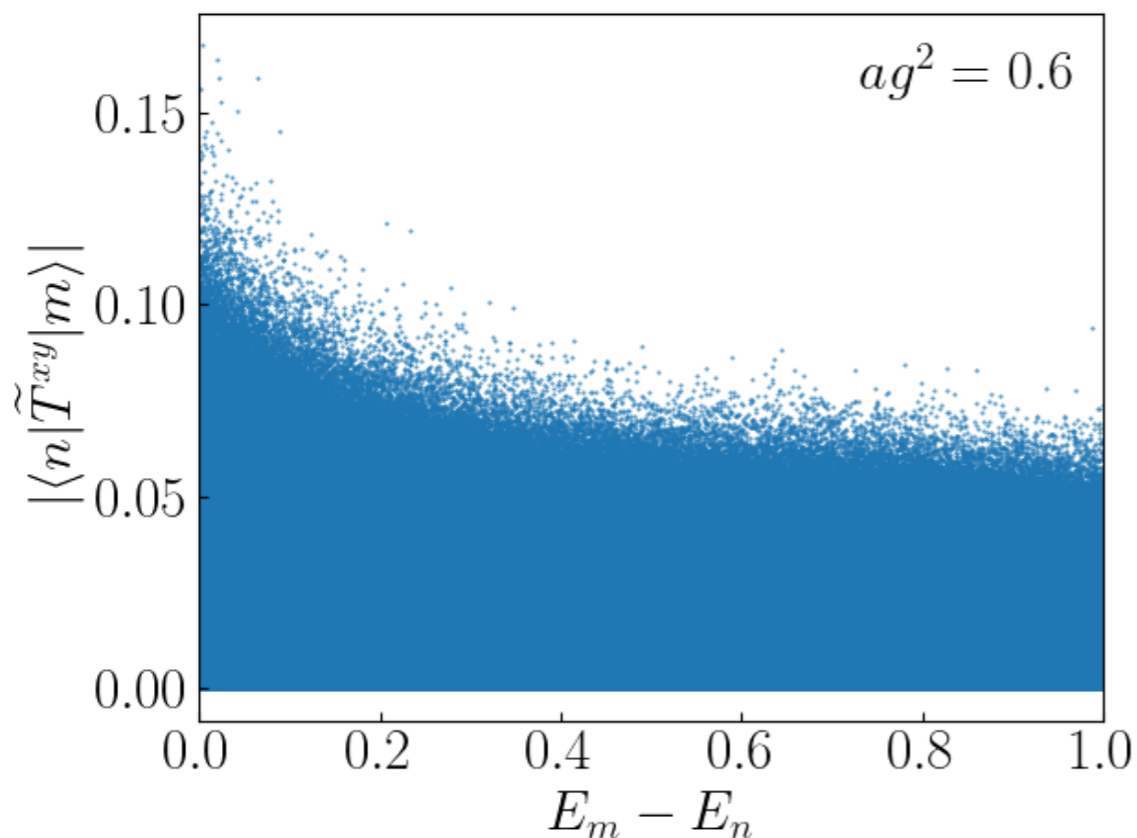
- Relation between spectral function and off-diagonal matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^{xy}(\omega) &\equiv \frac{1}{\mathcal{A}} \int dt e^{i\omega t} \text{Tr}([\tilde{T}^{xy}(t), \tilde{T}^{xy}(0)]\rho_T) \\ &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{AZ}} \sum_n \sum_m 2\pi\delta(\omega + E_n - E_m) |\langle n|\tilde{T}^{xy}|m\rangle|^2 (e^{-\beta E_n} - e^{-\beta E_m}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$e^{-\beta E_n} [\beta\omega + O(\omega^2)]$$

- $\frac{\rho^{xy}(\omega)}{\omega}$ exhibits peak structure

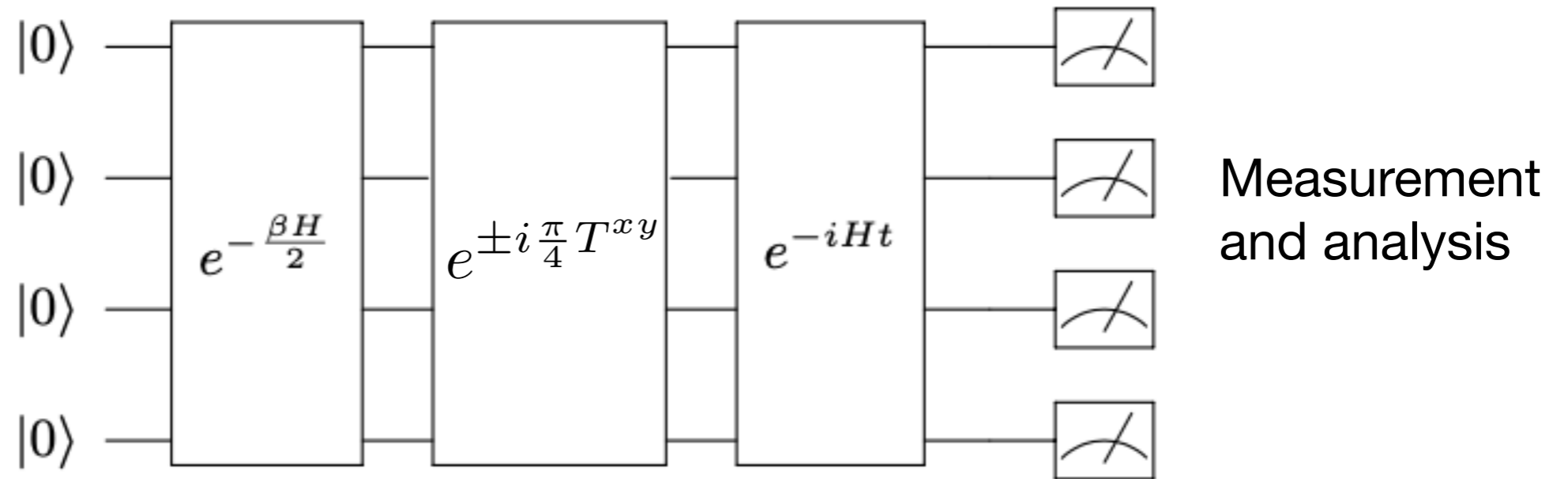


How to Improve the Results

- Hamiltonian lattice formulation allows us to evaluate real-time correlation for shear viscosity extraction
- Physical limit: (1) $a \rightarrow 0$ means $ag^2 \rightarrow 0$, requires $j_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$
 - (2) lattice size $\rightarrow \infty$
 - (3) Operator renormalization
- (1) and (2) are challenging: 4×4 lattice w/ $j_{\max} = 1/2$ has 65536 states
 3×3 lattice w/ $j_{\max} = 1$ has 519233 states
- Exact diagonalization cannot take us too far \rightarrow quantum computing
 \rightarrow other classical methods

A Quantum Computing Algorithm

- An overview



Thermal state preparation using quantum imaginary time propagation (QITP)

Evolution for commutator if A is a Pauli string

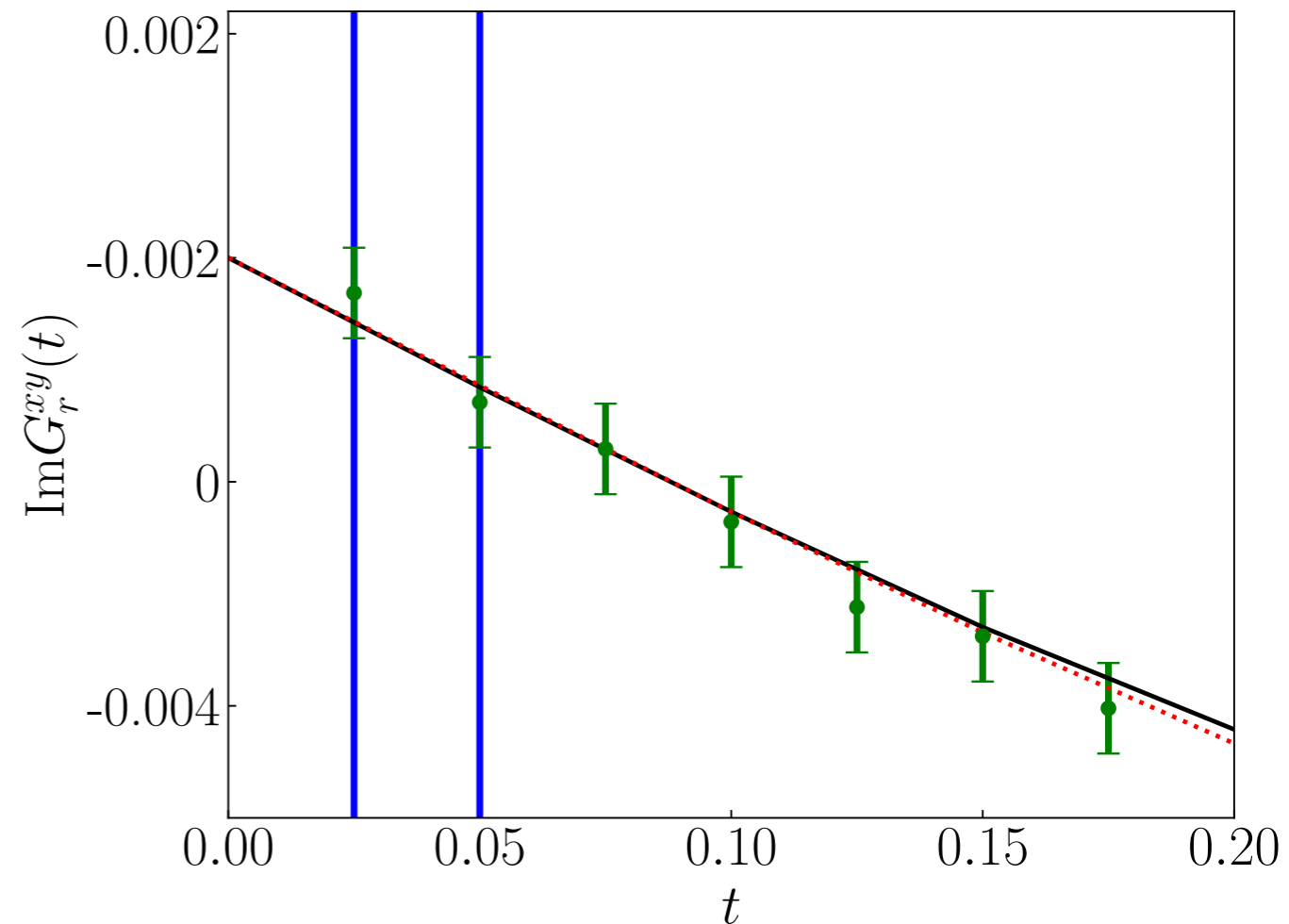
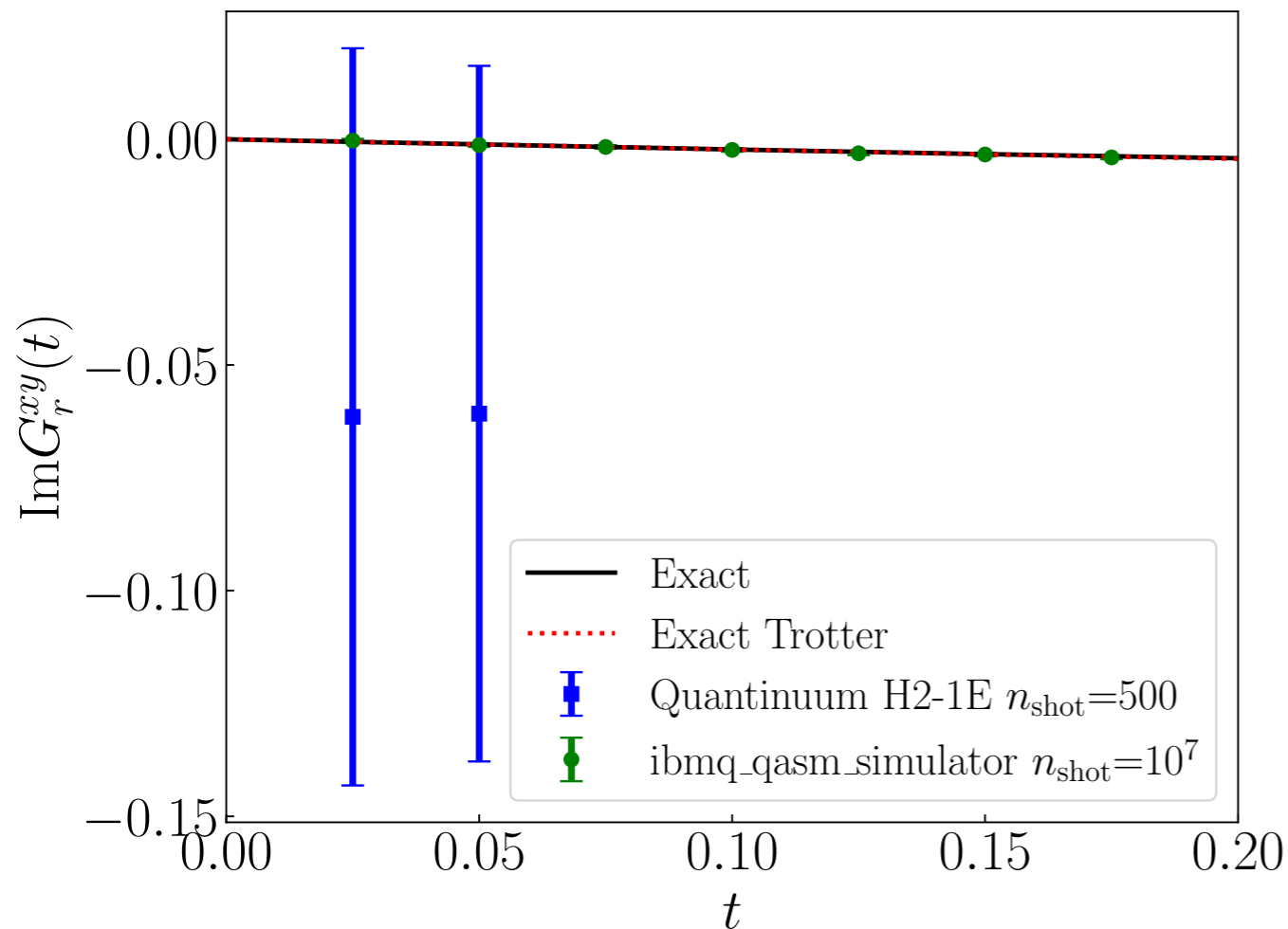
Real-time evolution using Trotterization

Turro, Roggero, Amitrano, Luchi, Wendt, DuBois, Quaglioni, Pederiva, 2102.12260

$$[A, B] = -i \left(e^{-i \frac{\pi}{4} A} B e^{i \frac{\pi}{4} A} - e^{i \frac{\pi}{4} A} B e^{-i \frac{\pi}{4} A} \right)$$

Preliminary Results on Small Lattice

- Quantum simulator results for 2×2 lattice with $j_{\max} = 1/2$, $ag^2 = 1$, $\beta = 0.15$, $\Delta t = 0.025$



Many shots are needed!

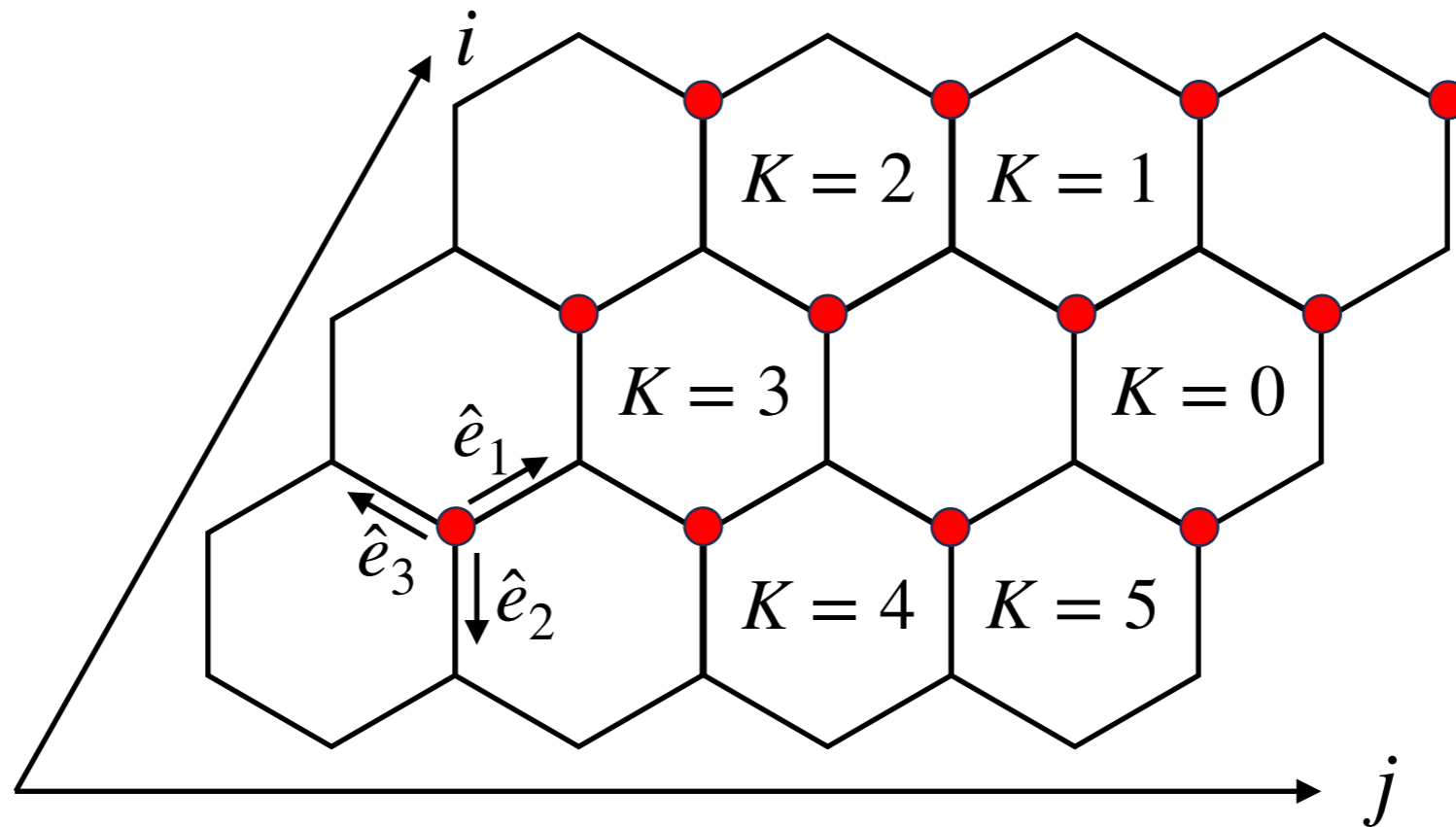
$$n_{\text{shot}} \simeq \frac{4 d_T^2}{\epsilon^2 [G_r^{xy}(t)]^2} \simeq \frac{4 \times 10^6 d_T^2}{\epsilon^2}$$

$$|\langle b | T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) | b \rangle| \leq d_T$$

Conclusions

- Shear viscosity: interesting physical quantity but hard to compute in QCD
- Real-time Hamiltonian lattice approach:
 - Classical computing: exact diagonalization up to 4×4 lattice with $j_{\max} = 1/2$; model results show consistency with $\eta/s = 1/(4\pi)$ in naive “continuum” limit and peak structure in $\rho^{xy}(\omega)/\omega$
 - A quantum computing algorithm
- Future goal: **approach the physical limit**

Backup: Magnetic Interaction



$$H^{\text{mag}} = h_x \sum_{(i,j)} \sigma_{i,j}^x \prod_{K=0}^5 \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) \sigma_K^z \sigma_{K+1}^z + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \right]$$

Backup: Thermal State Preparation

- **Initialization: n_s system qubits + $(n_s + 1)$ ancillas**

Hadamard + CNOT + measurements give maximally mixed state

$$\rho_s = \frac{1}{2^{n_s}} \mathbb{1}_{2^{n_s} \times 2^{n_s}}$$

- **Quantum imaginary time propagation**

$$QITP_{th} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{p} e^{-\tau(H-E_T)} & \sqrt{1 - p} e^{-2\tau(H-E_T)} \\ -\sqrt{1 - p} e^{-2\tau(H-E_T)} & \sqrt{p} e^{-\tau(H-E_T)} \end{pmatrix}$$

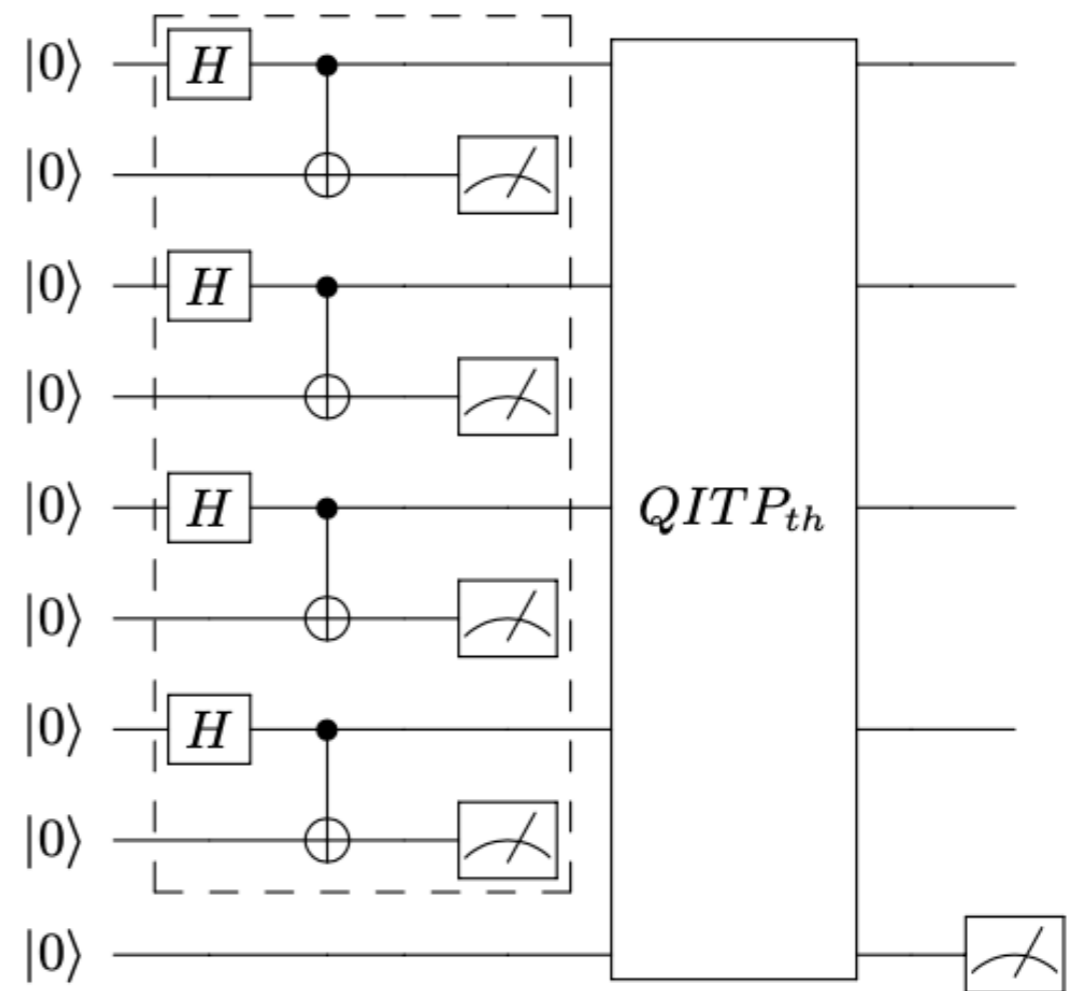
- **Measure the ancilla and if $|0\rangle$ returned**

$$\rho_T = \frac{1}{2^{n_s} p_s} e^{-\beta(H-E_T)} = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H}$$

$$p = 1$$

$$\tau = \frac{\beta}{2}$$

Turro, Roggero, Amitrano, Luchi,
Wendt, DuBois, Quaglioni,
Pederiva, 2102.12260



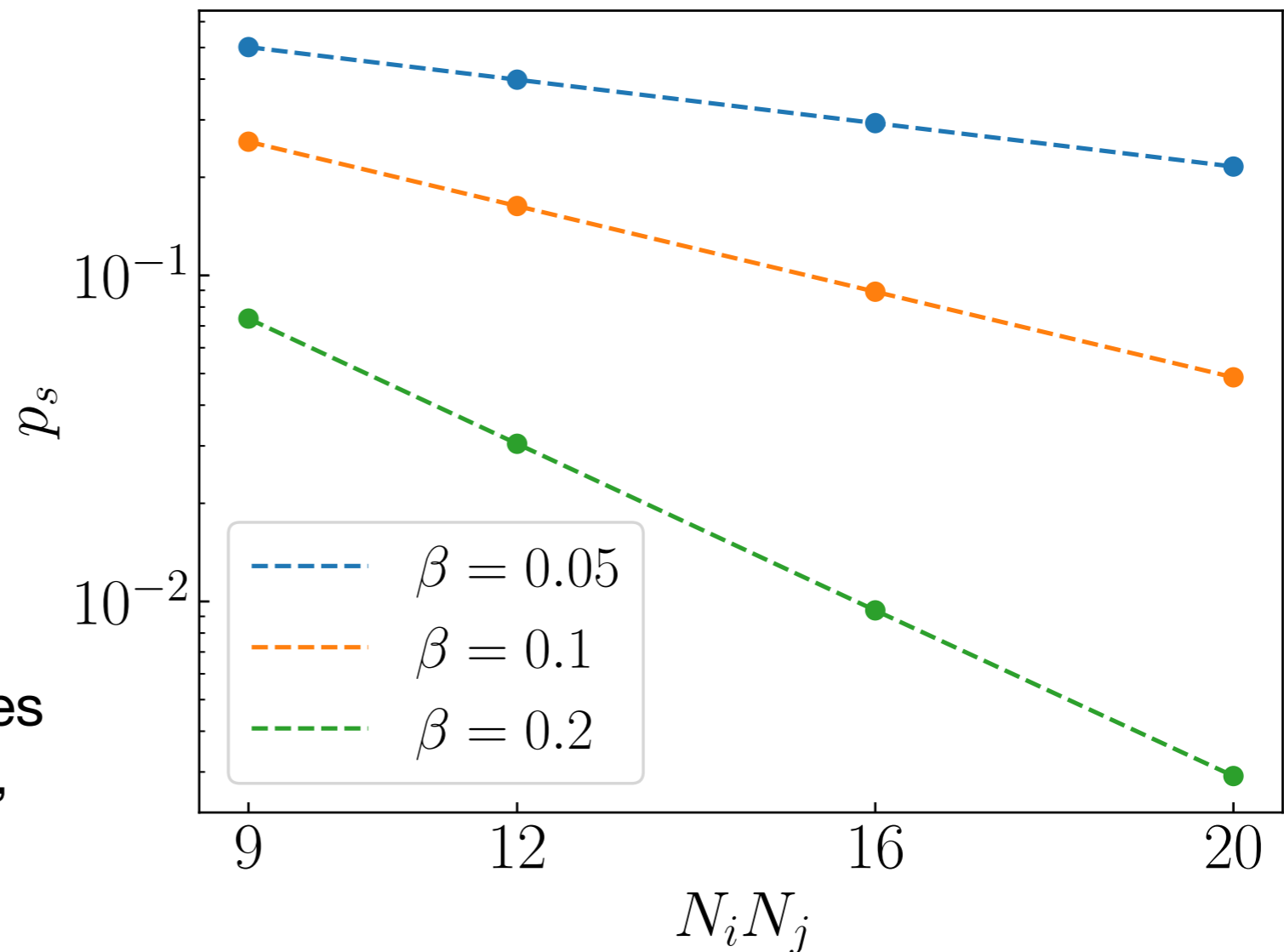
Backup: Thermal State Preparation Efficiency

- **Success probability** $p_s = \frac{1}{d_{\mathcal{H}}} \sum_n e^{-\beta(E_n - E_0)}$

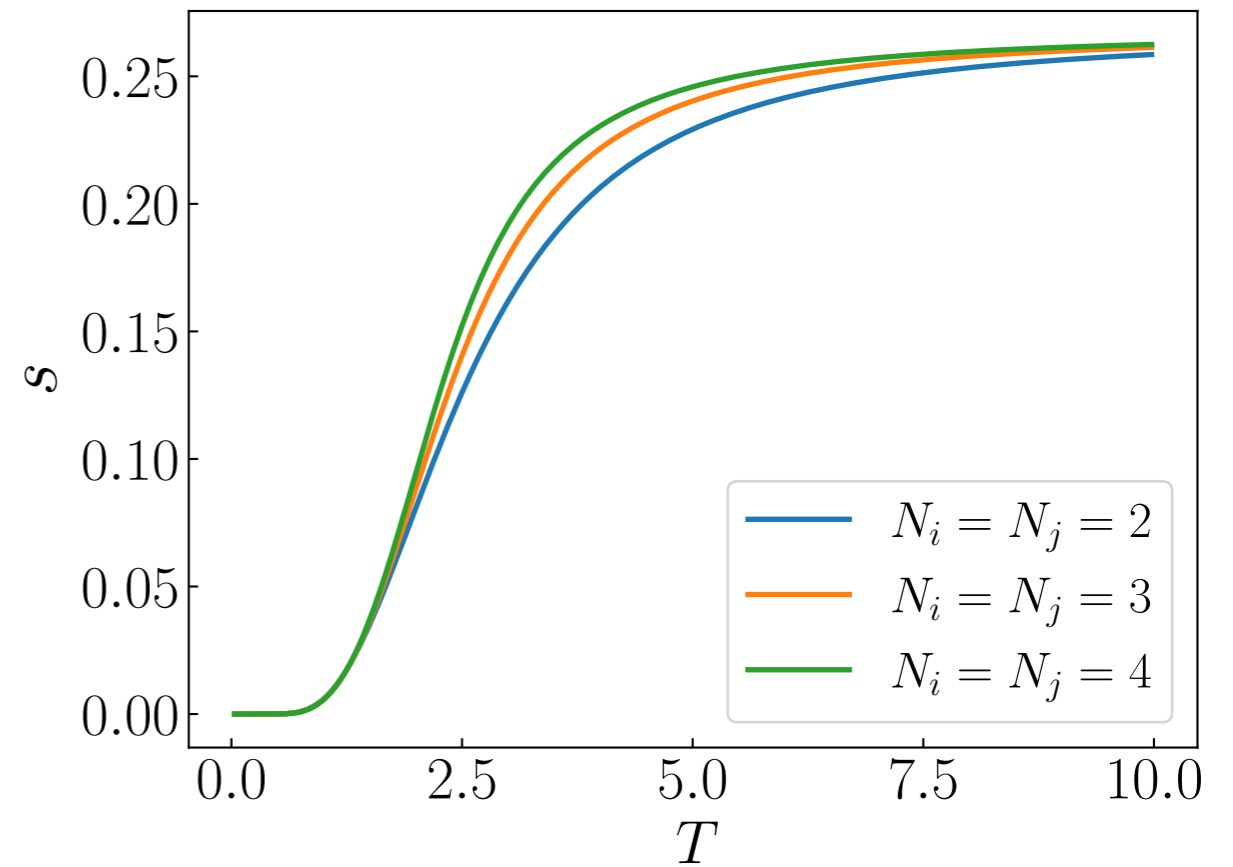
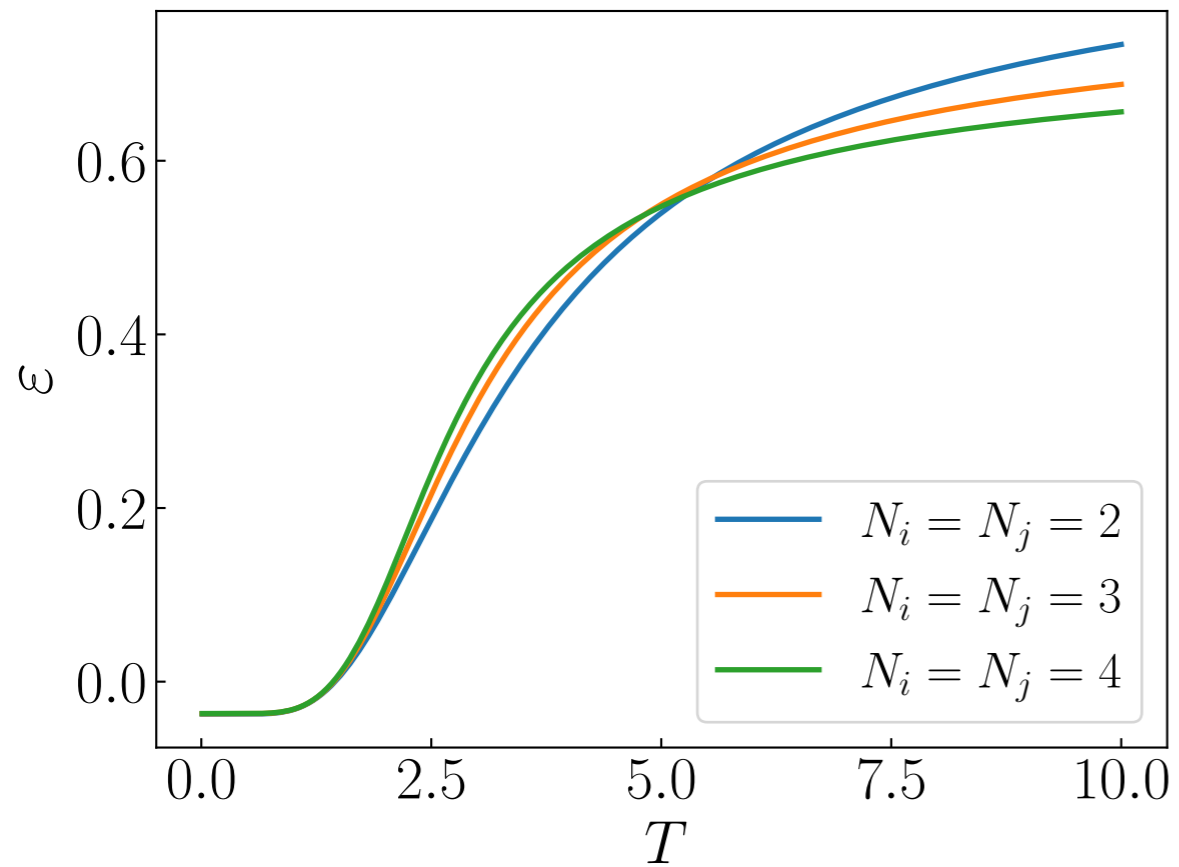
Fixed $j_{\max} = \frac{1}{2}$, $ag^2 = 1$

“Glueball mass”:
 $E_1 - E_0 = 6.2$

Success probability decreases exponentially w/ system size, but for high temperature, coefficient is small



Backup: Volume Dependence of Energy and Entropy Densities



Backup: QC of Retarded Green's Function

- Commutator from a unitary circuit (A is a Pauli string)

$$[A, B] = -i \left(e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}A} B e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}A} - e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}A} B e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}A} \right)$$

- T^{xy} when $j_{\max} = 1/2$

$$\begin{aligned} [T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), T_{ij}^{xy}(0)] &= \frac{\sqrt{3}g^2}{8a^2} [T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), \sigma_{i,j+1}^z \sigma_{i+1,j}^z - \sigma_{i,j}^z \sigma_{i+1,j}^z] \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}g^2}{8a^2} ([T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), \Sigma_0] - [T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), \Sigma_1]) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), \Sigma_\alpha] &= i e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}\Sigma_\alpha} e^{iHt} T_{\text{sum}}^{xy} e^{-iHt} e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}\Sigma_\alpha} \\ &\quad - i e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}\Sigma_\alpha} e^{iHt} T_{\text{sum}}^{xy} e^{-iHt} e^{-i\frac{\pi}{4}\Sigma_\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

- Run four different circuits to obtain the retarded Green's function

Backup: Quantum Circuit Gives G_r^{xy}

- **What the circuit does:** $\rho_\alpha^\pm(t) = \frac{1}{Z} U_t e^{\pm i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} e^{-\beta H} e^{\mp i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} U_t^\dagger$
- **What the measurement does:**

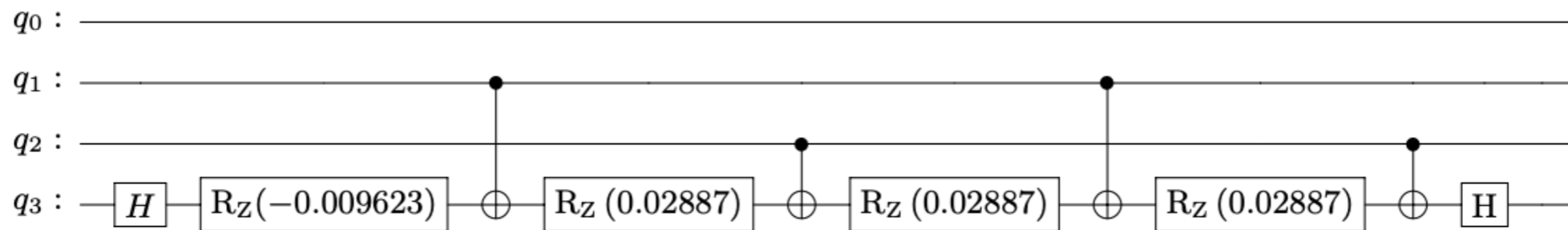
$$\begin{aligned} \sum_b \langle b | T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) | b \rangle P_\alpha^\pm(b) &= \text{Tr}[T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) \rho_\alpha^\pm(t)] \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \text{Tr}[e^{\mp i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} U_t^\dagger T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) U_t e^{\pm i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} e^{-\beta H}] \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \text{Tr}[e^{\mp i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t) e^{\pm i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} e^{-\beta H}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Tr}[T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) \rho^+(t)] - \text{Tr}[T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) \rho^-(t)] \\ &= \text{Tr}([e^{-i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t) e^{i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} - e^{i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha} T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t) e^{-i \frac{\pi}{4} \Sigma_\alpha}] \rho_T) \\ &= \frac{-i}{Z} \text{Tr}([T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), \Sigma_\alpha] e^{-\beta H}) \end{aligned}$$

Backup: Real-Time, Measurement and Reconstruction

- Real time evolution Trotterized

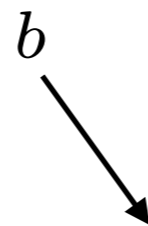
$$U_t \equiv e^{-iHt} = \prod_{i_t=1}^{N_t} \prod_{(i,j)} e^{-iH_{ij}^{\text{el}} \Delta t} e^{-iH_{ij}^{\text{mag}} \Delta t}$$



Circuit for H_{11}^{mag} on 2×2 lattice with $j_{\text{max}} = 1/2$, $ag^2 = 1$, $\Delta t = 0.05$

- Measure in computational basis and post-processing

$$\text{Tr}([T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(t), \Sigma_{\alpha}] \rho_T) = i \sum_b \langle b | T_{\text{sum}}^{xy}(0) | b \rangle [P_{\alpha}^{+}(b) - P_{\alpha}^{-}(b)]$$

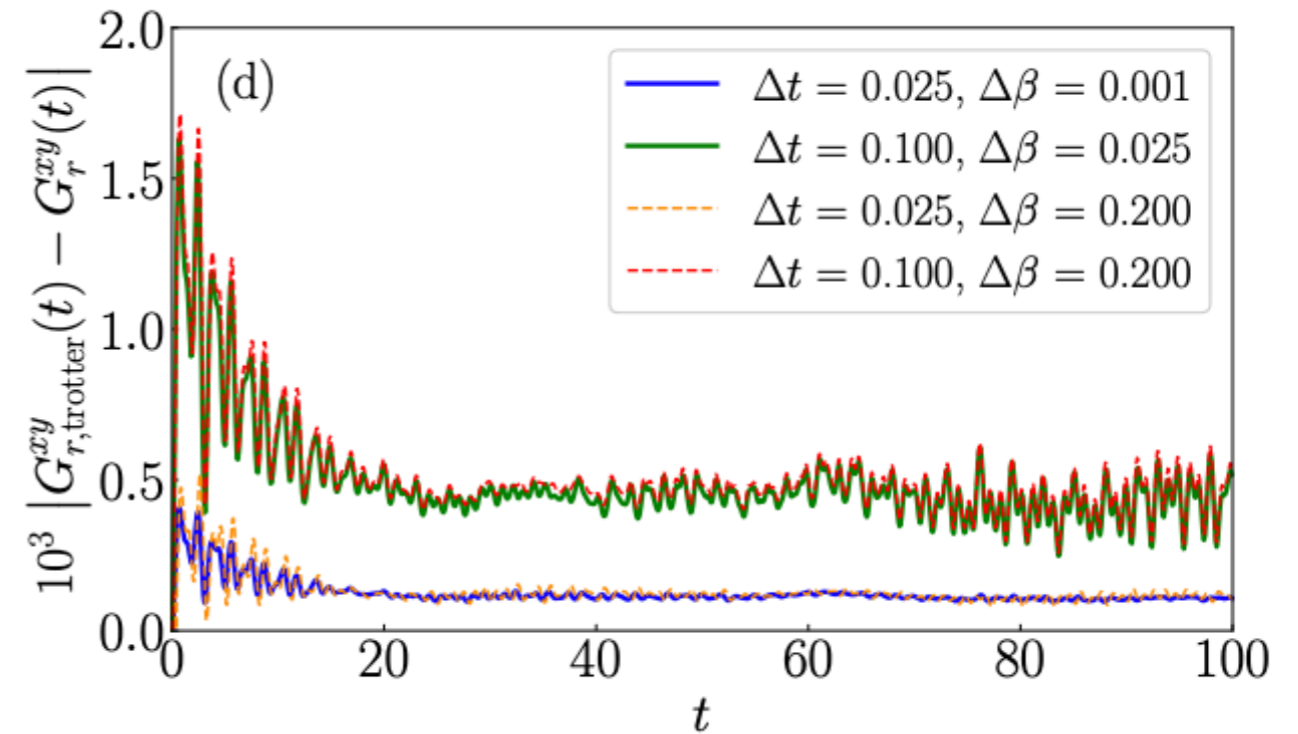


Basis state

Backup: Systematic Uncertainties

- Trotter errors in real-time and *QITP*

Trotter error in *QITP* is negligible



- Integration error from Riemann sum

$$\tilde{\eta}_{\text{sum}}(t_f) \equiv -(\Delta t)^2 \sum_{k=1}^{N_t} k \text{Im} G_r^{xy}(k\Delta t)$$

Important to determine how often to do measurements in the circuit

