

Fermion-bag approach to strongly correlated fermions

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(and Four-Fermion models)

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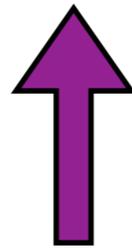
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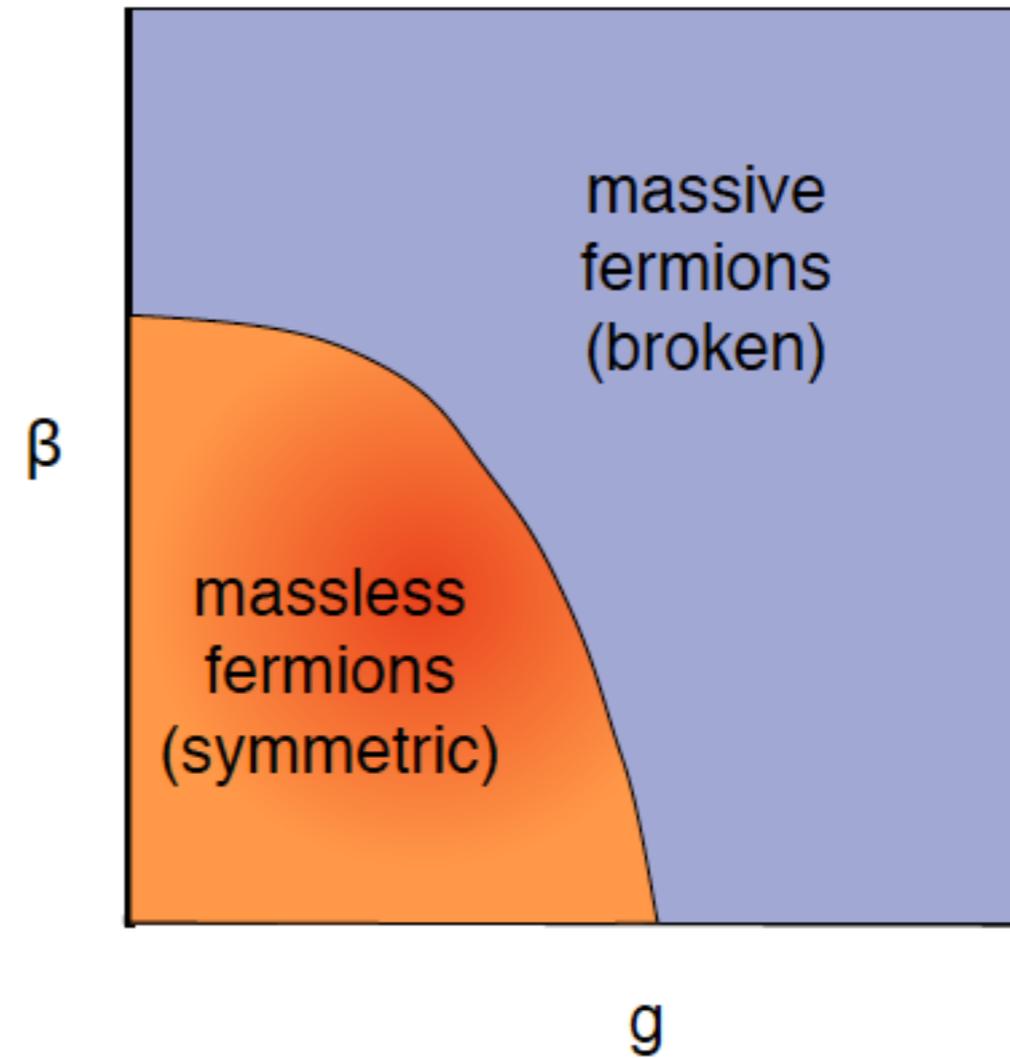
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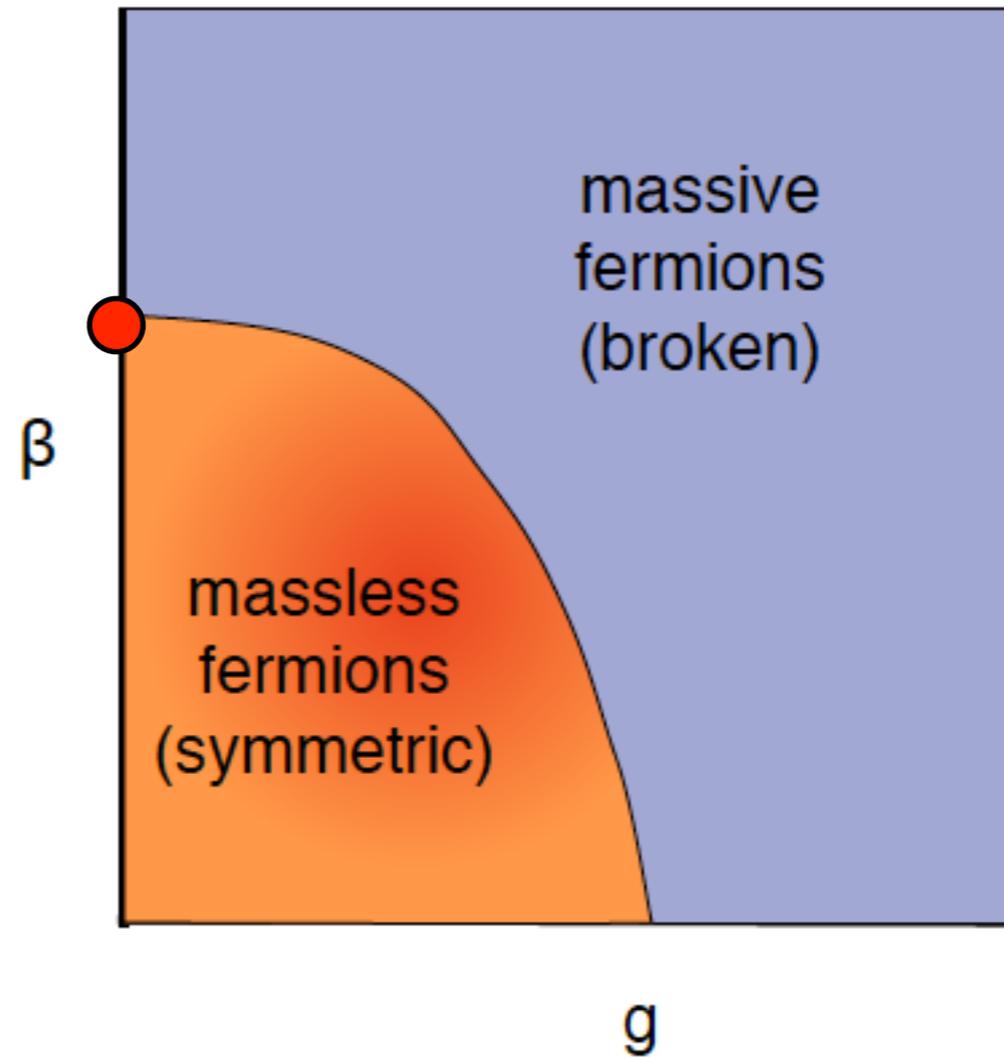
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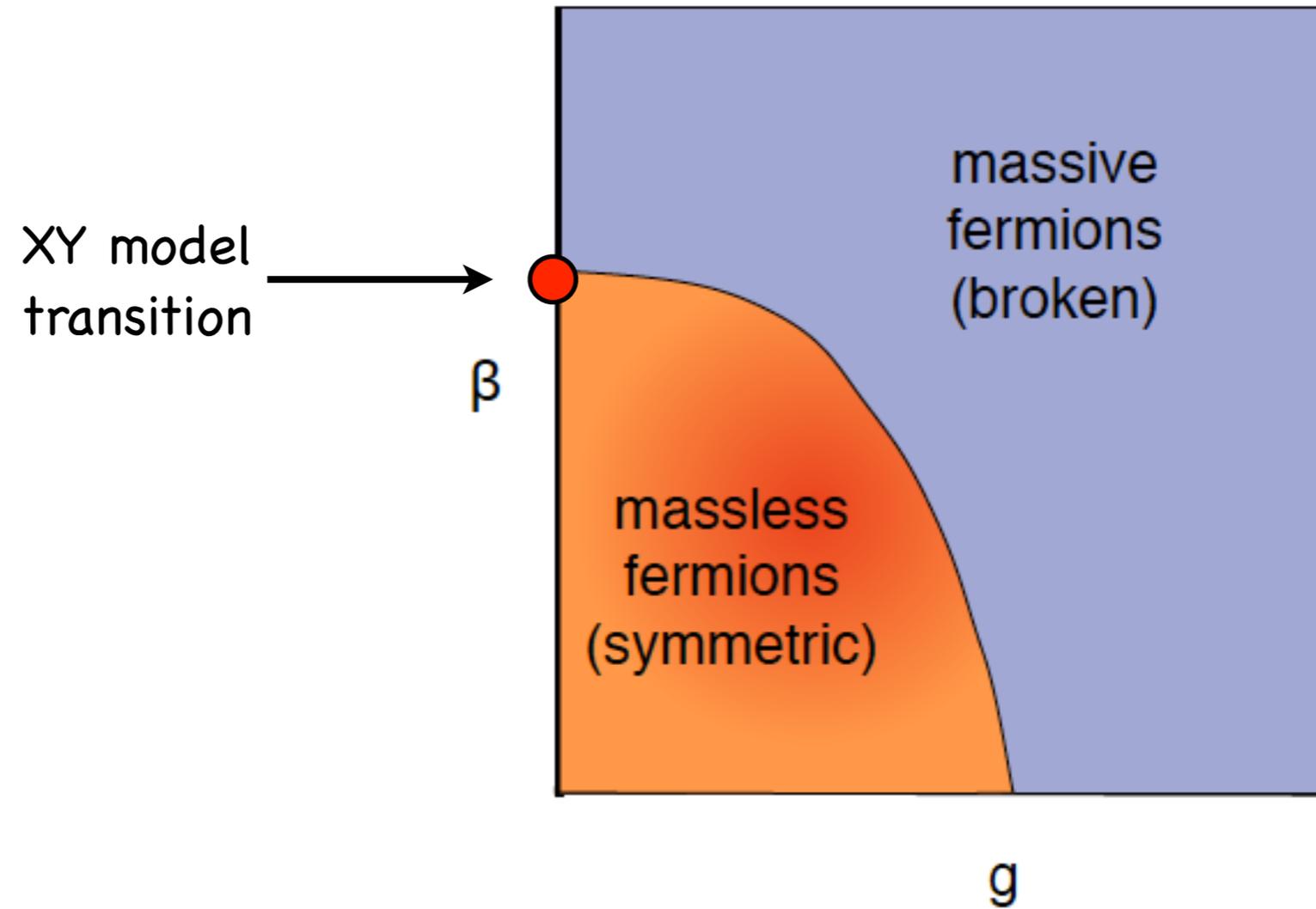
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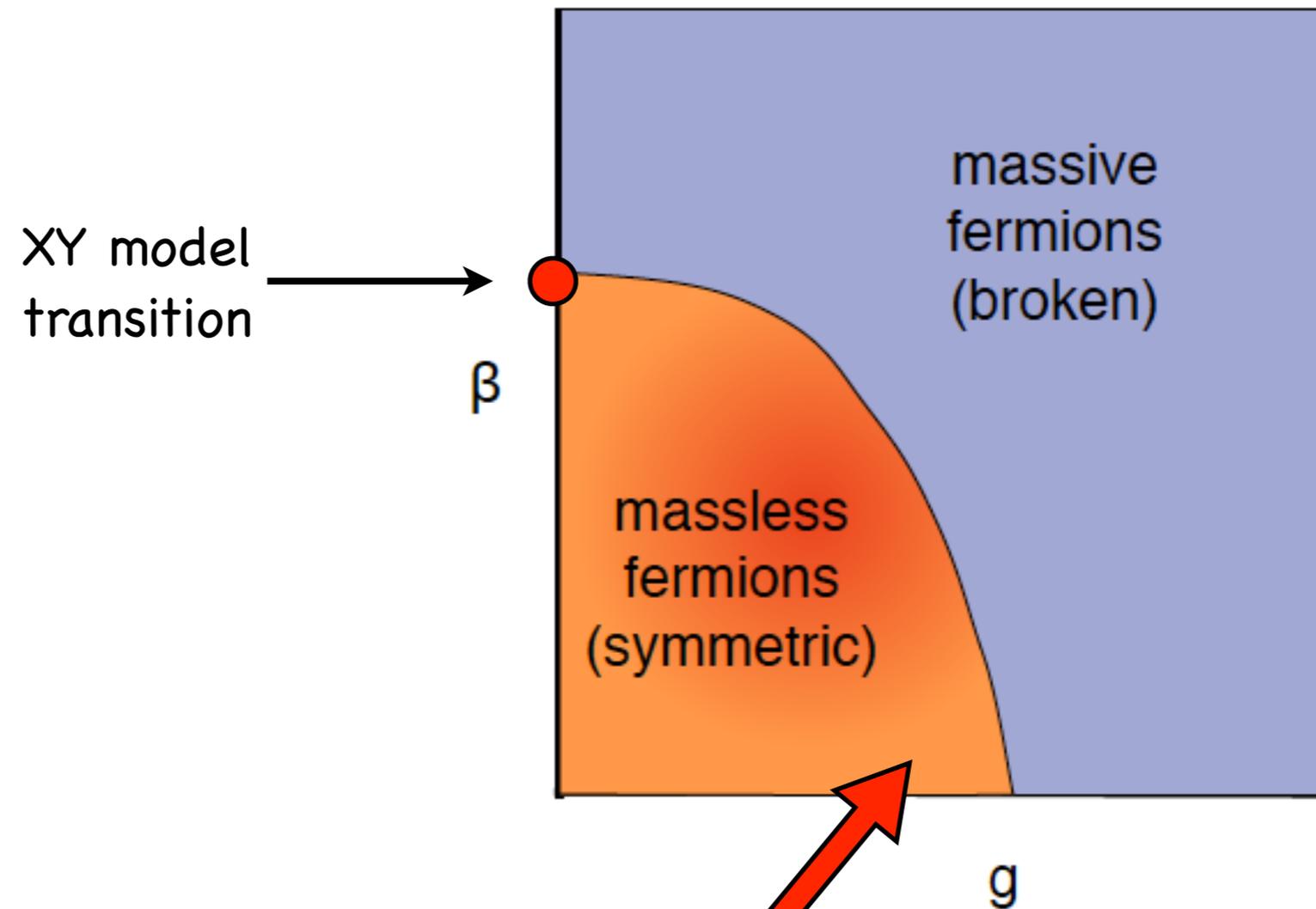
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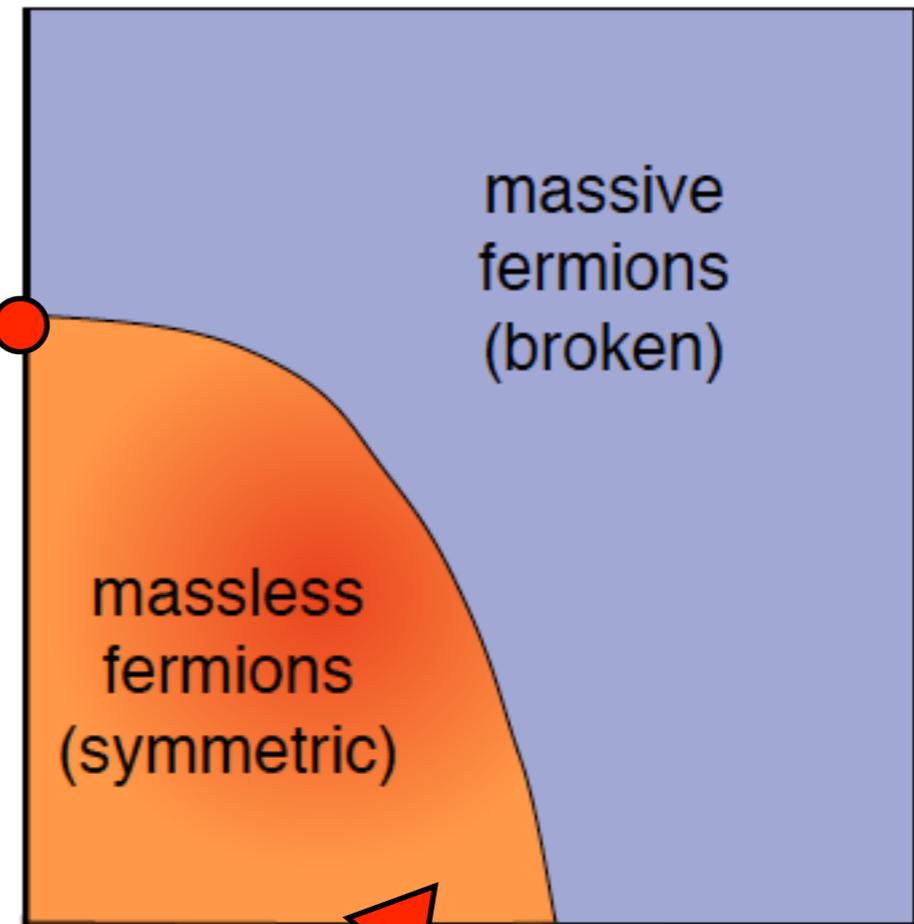


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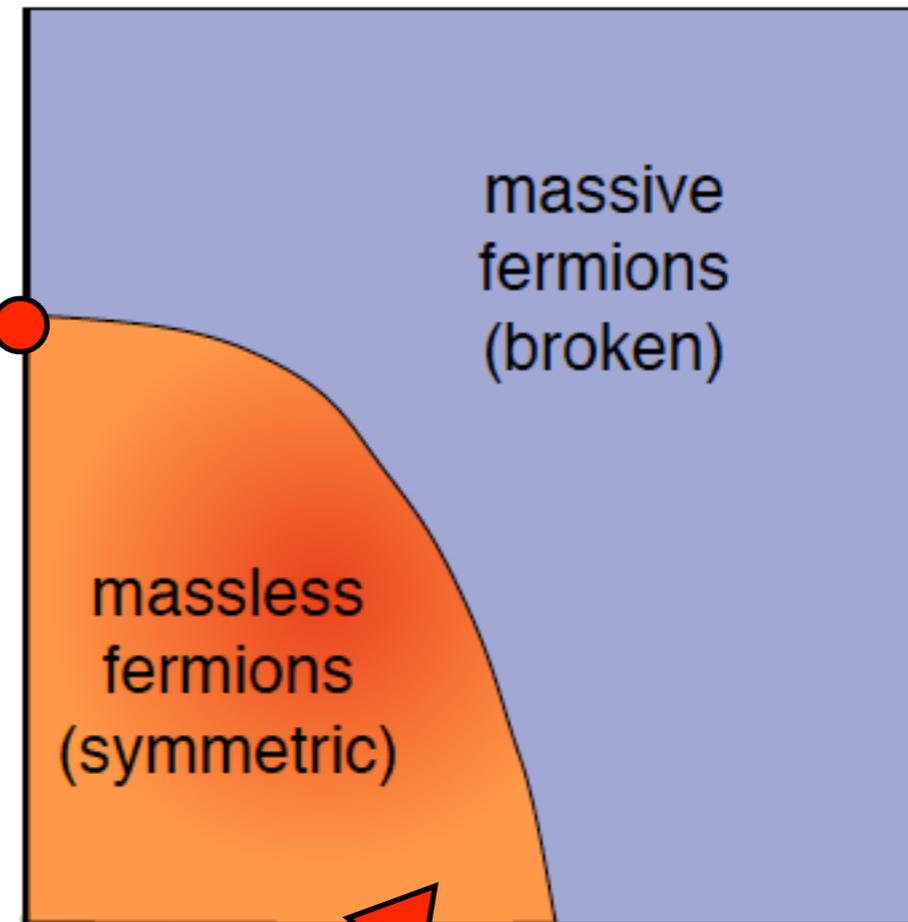
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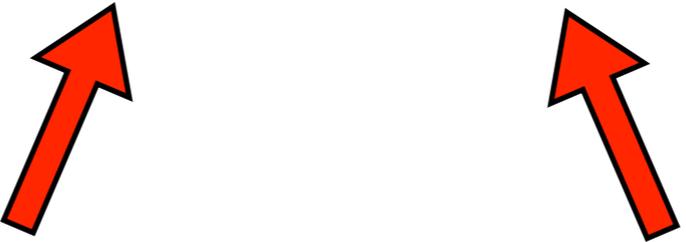
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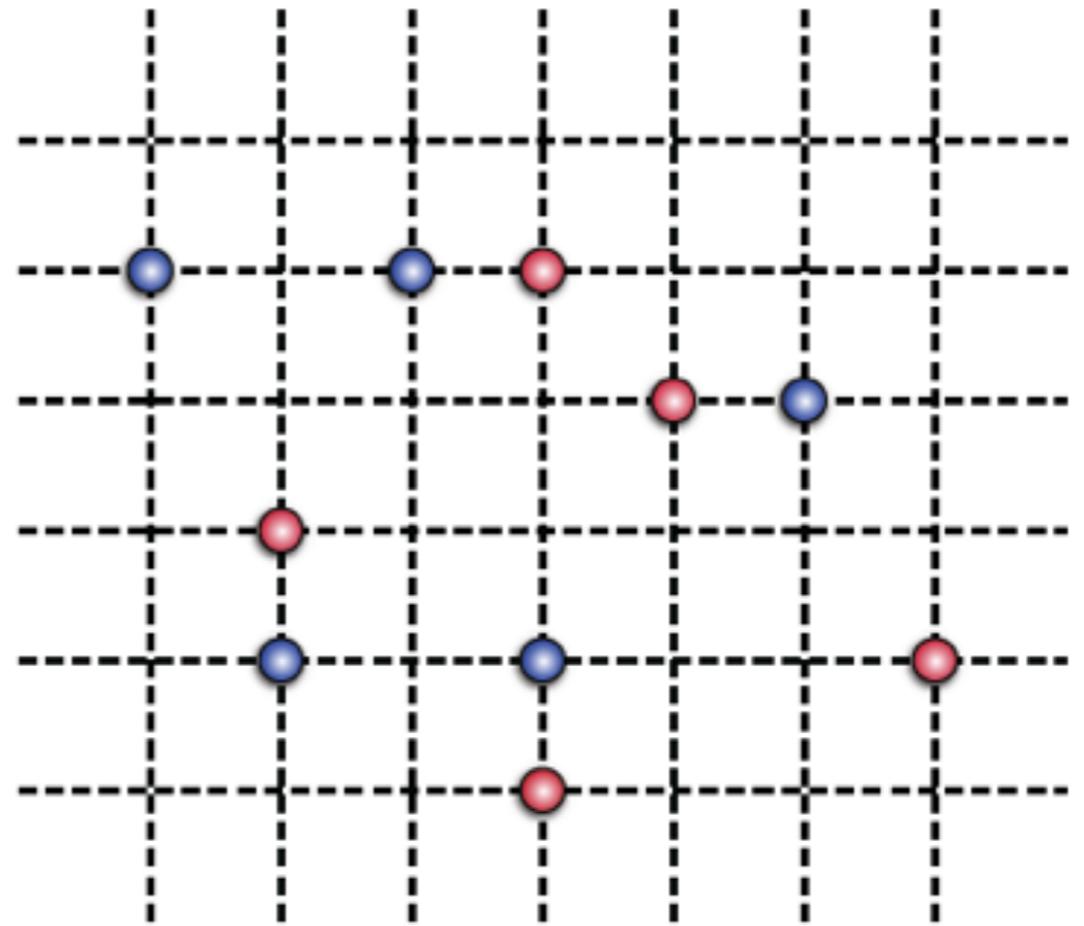
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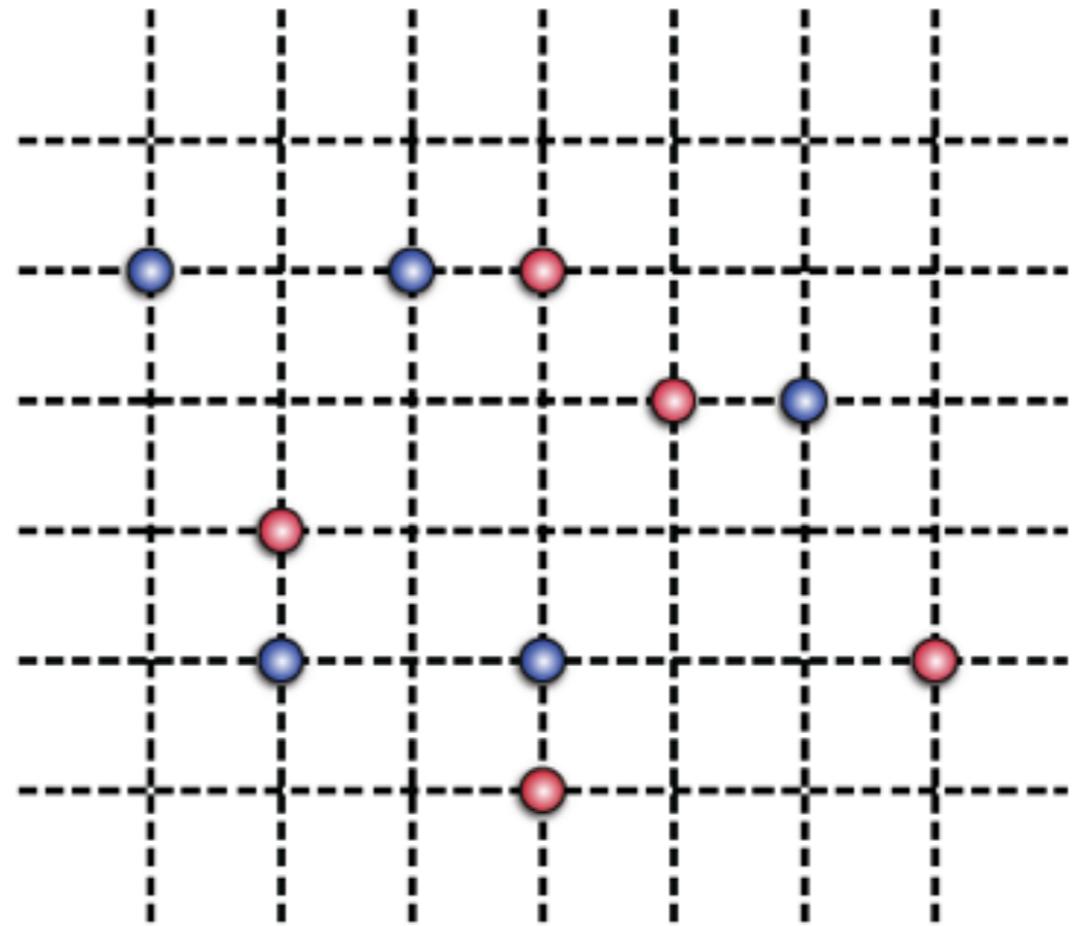
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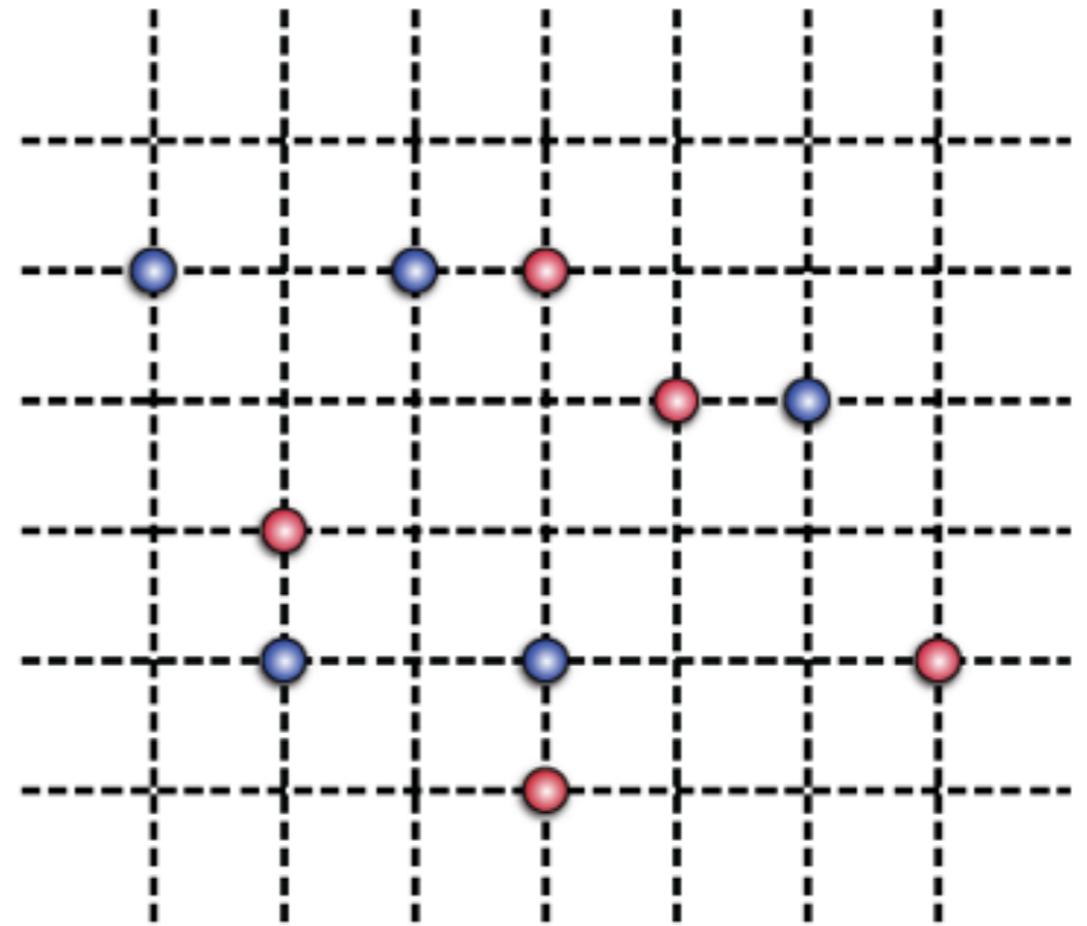


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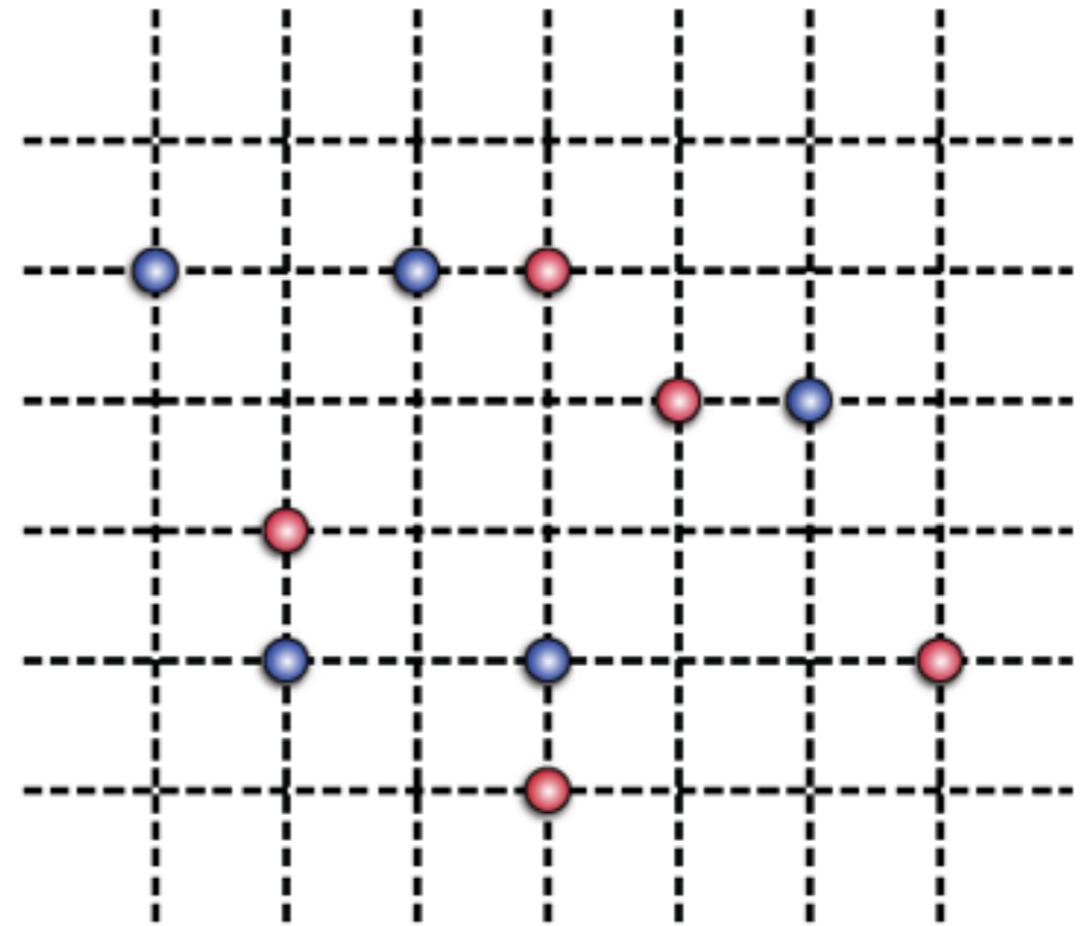
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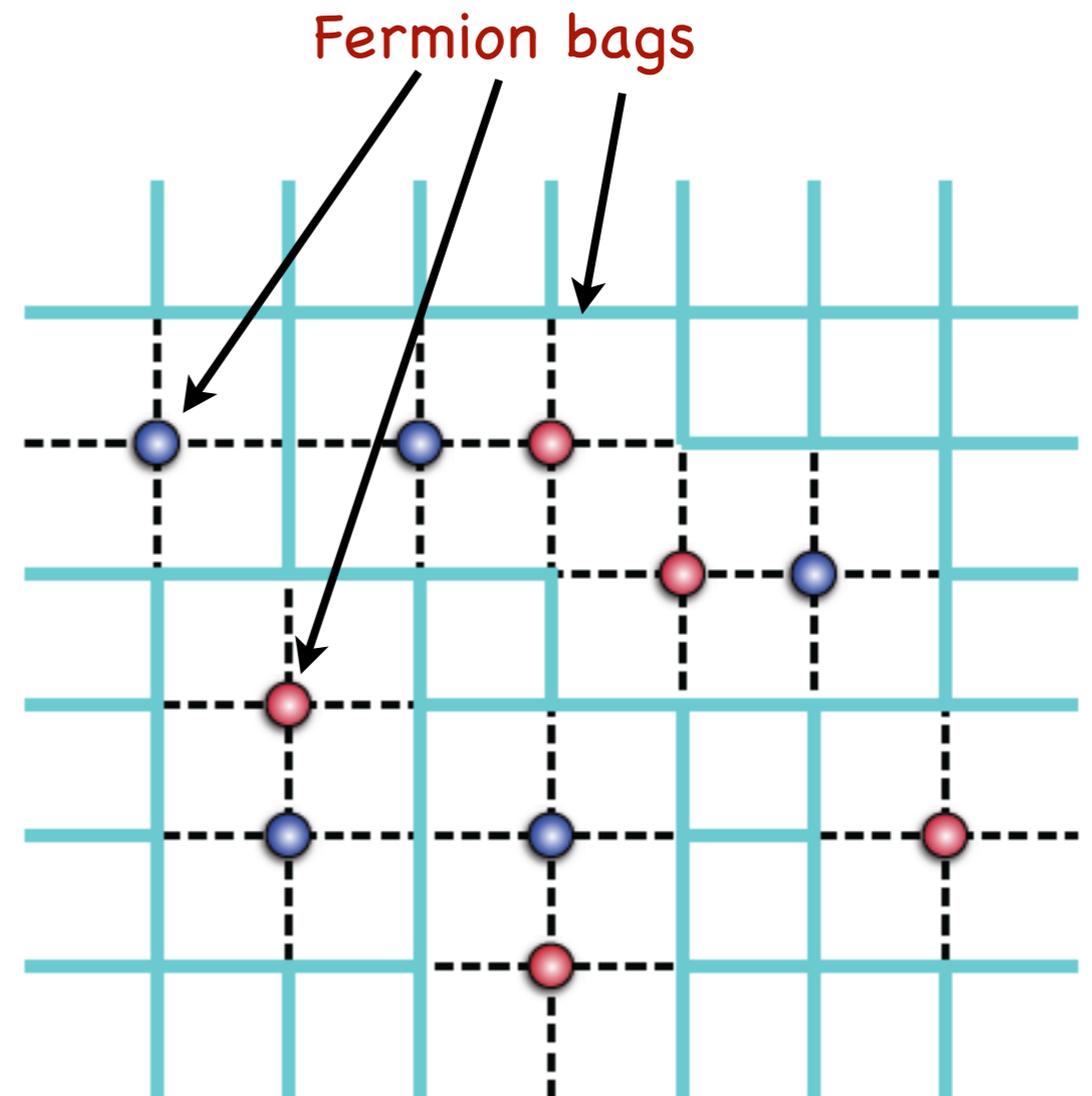
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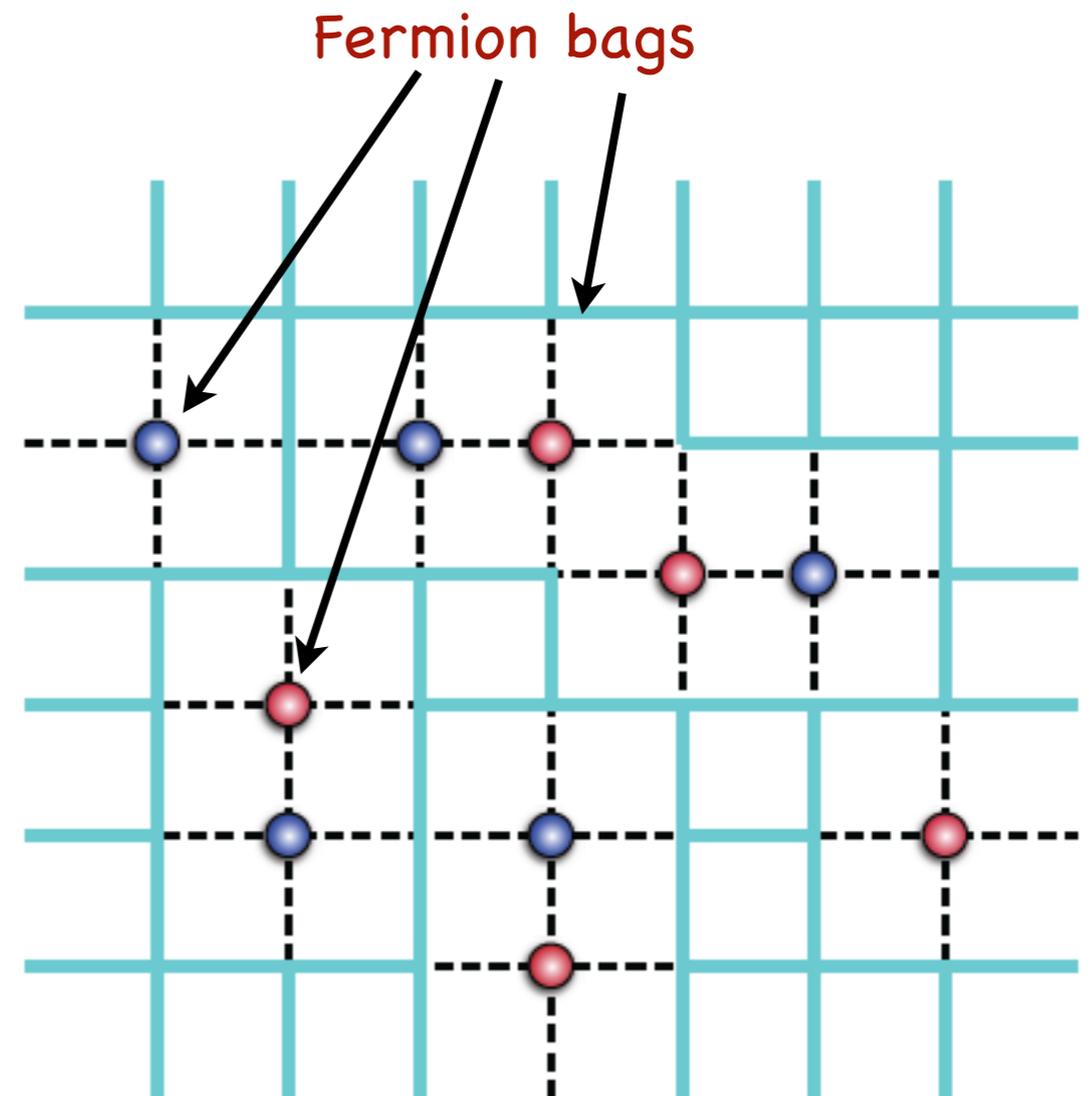
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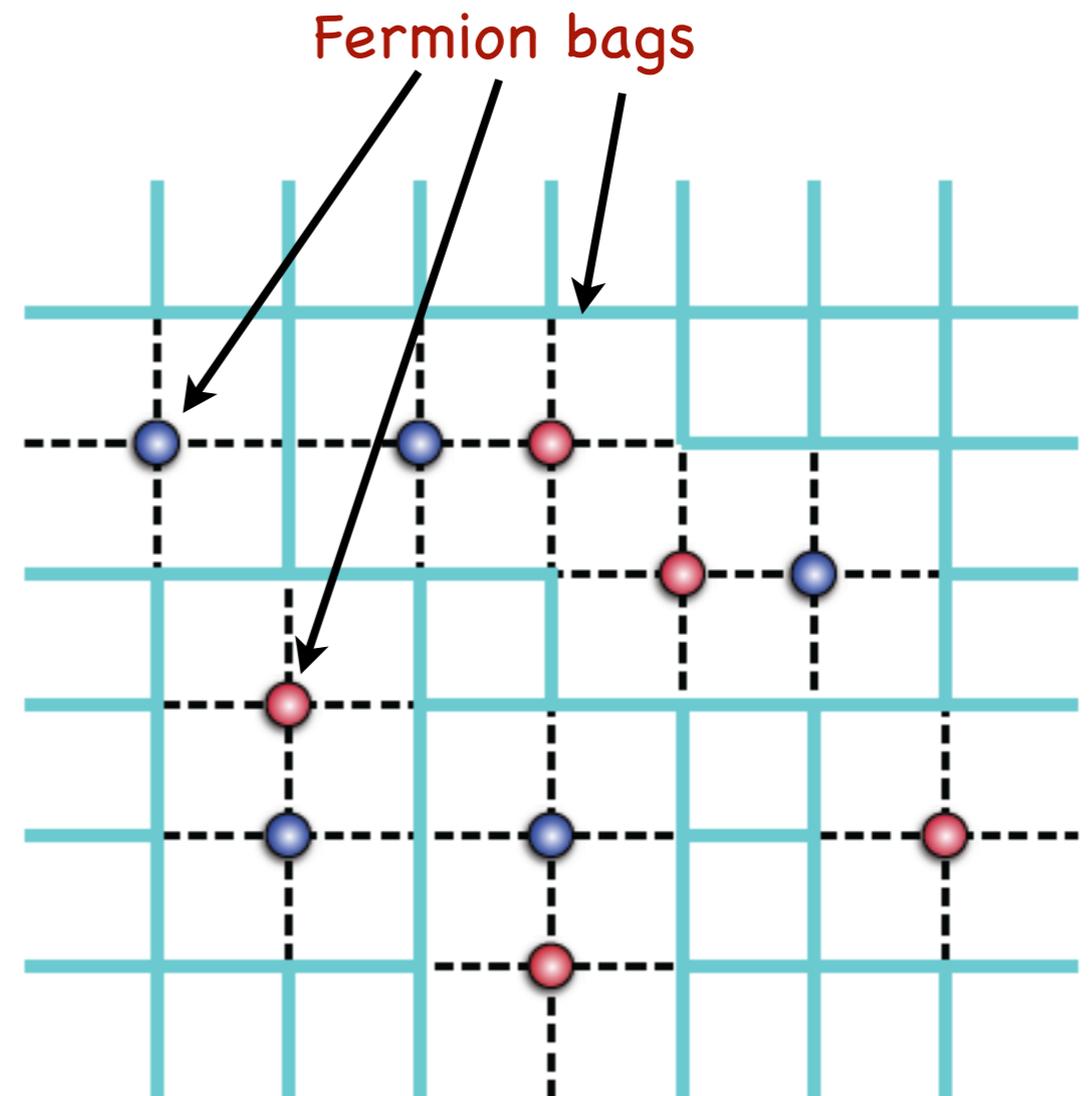
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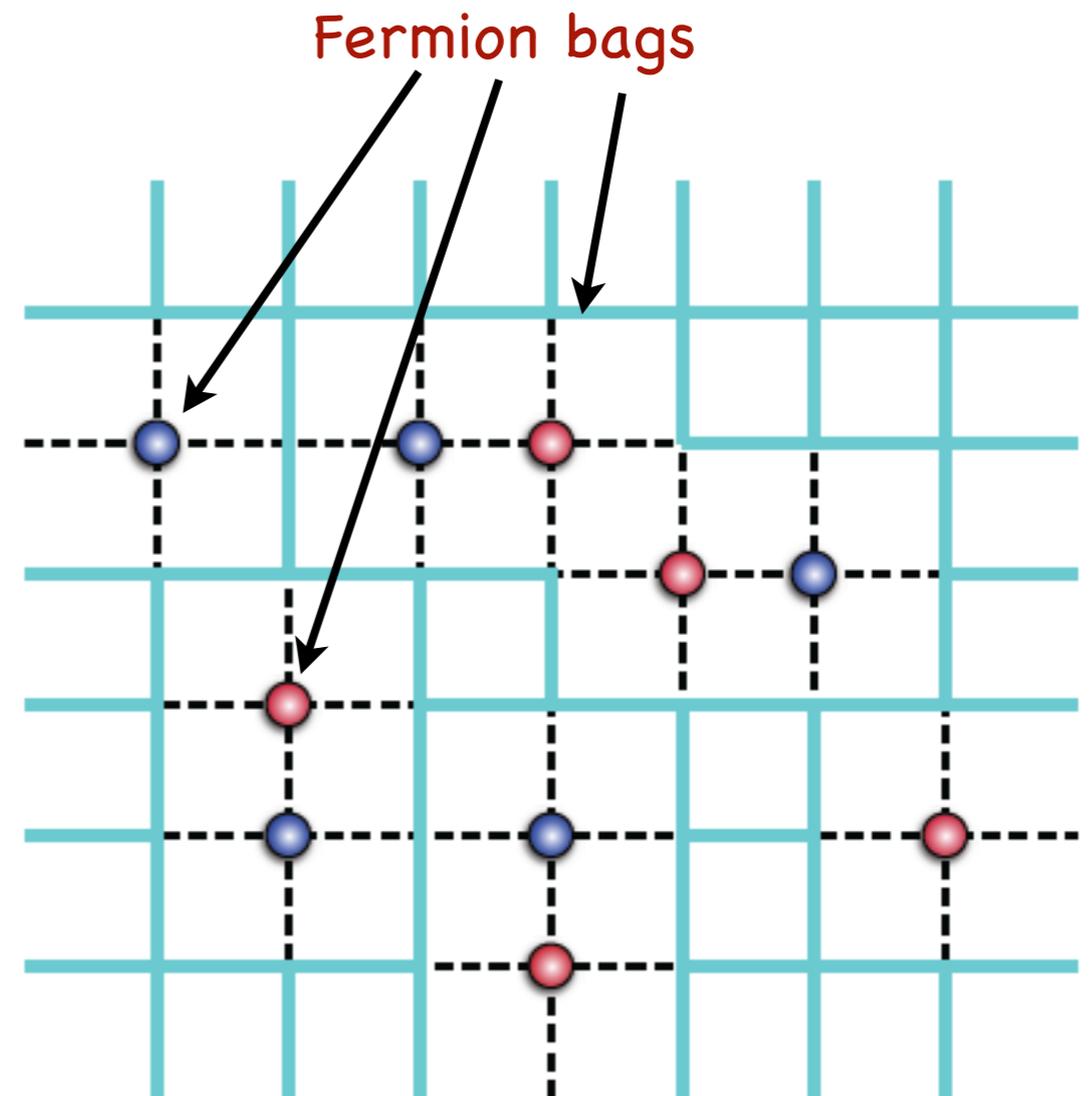
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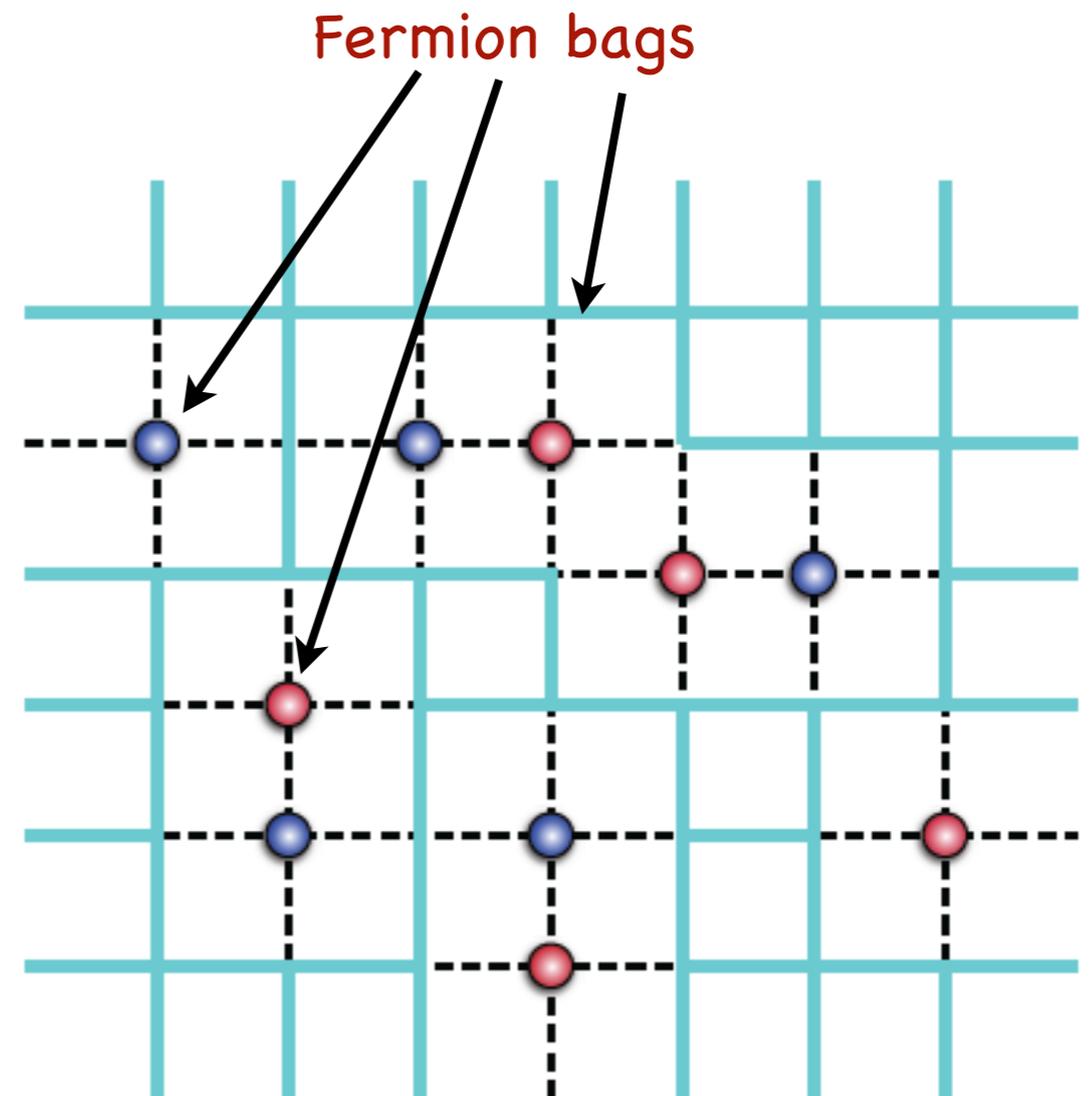
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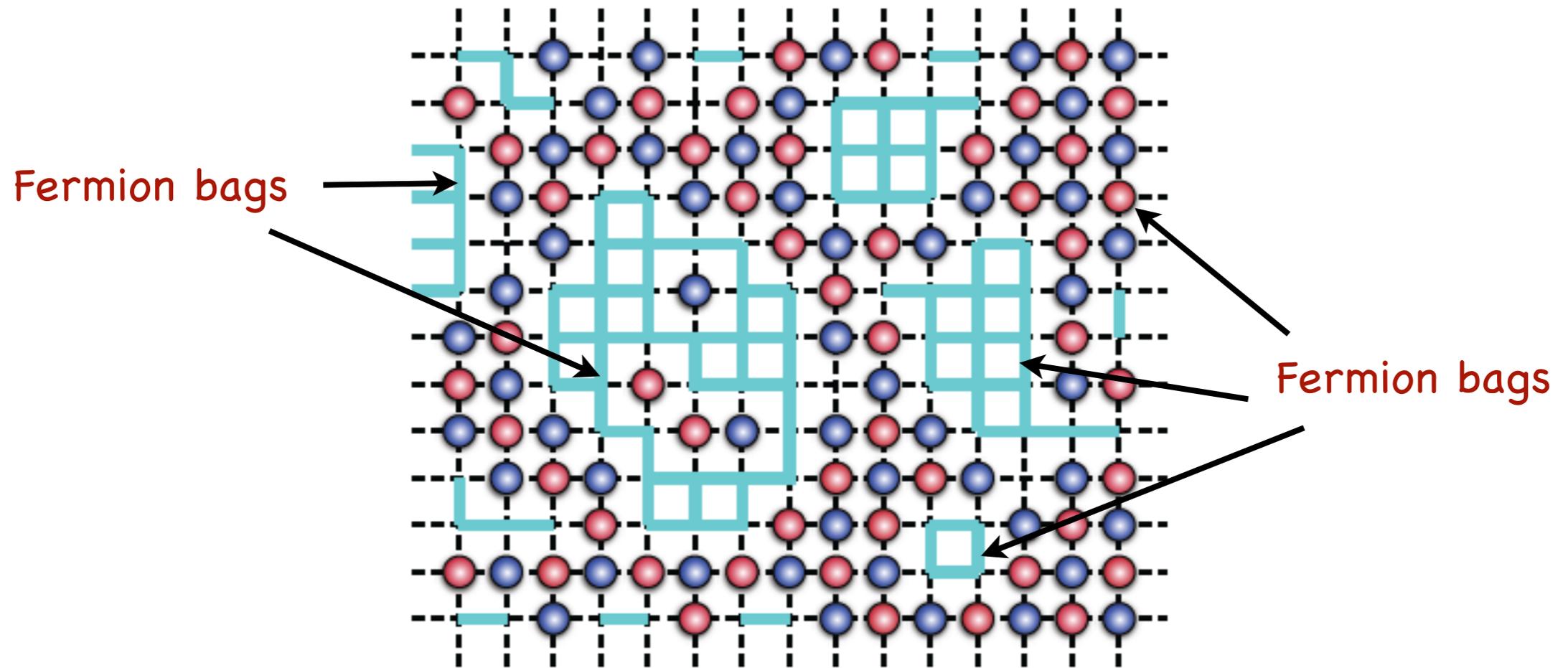


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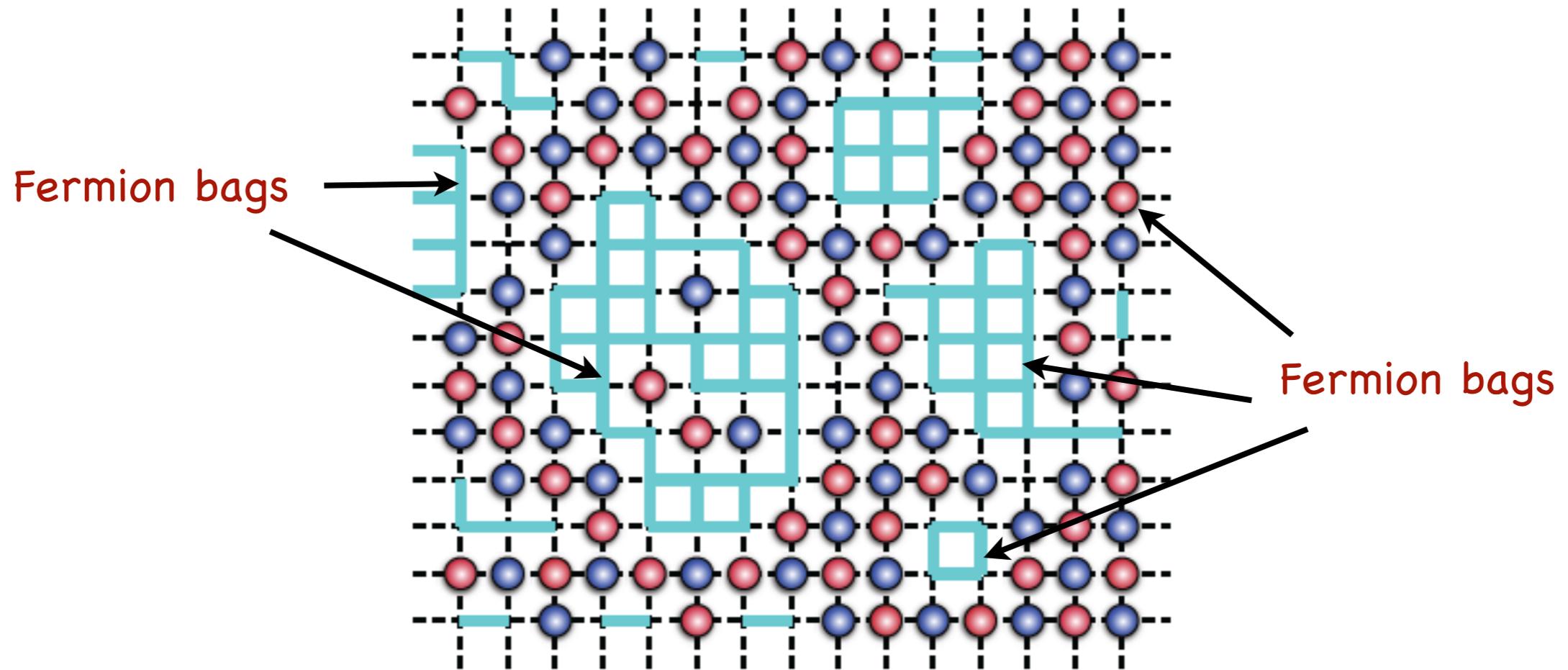
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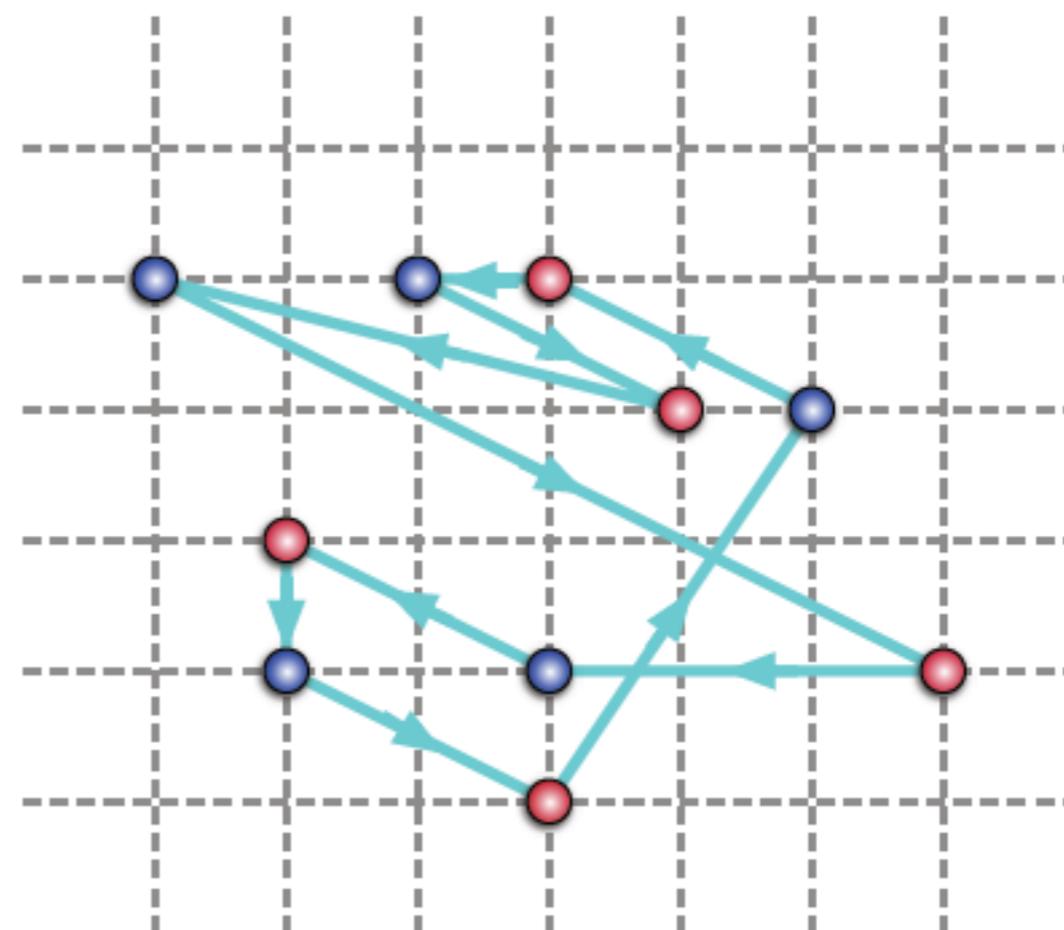
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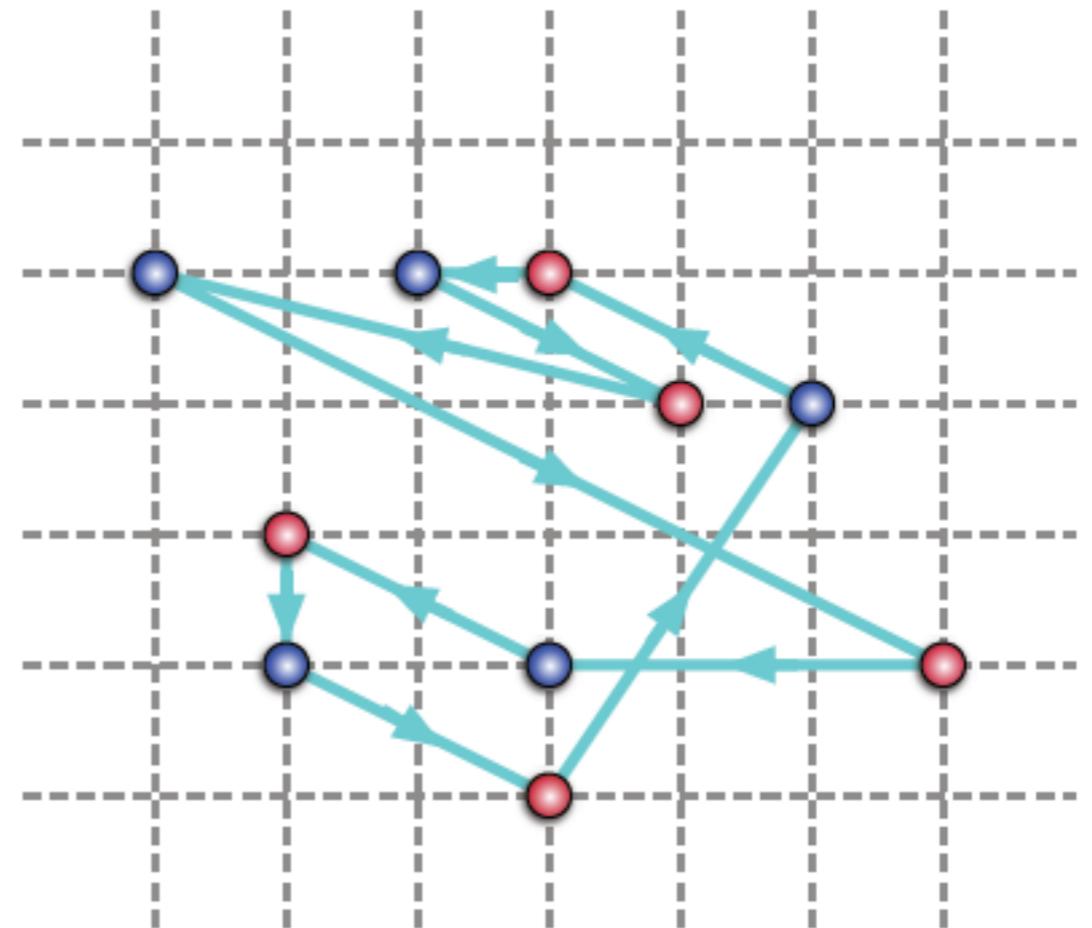
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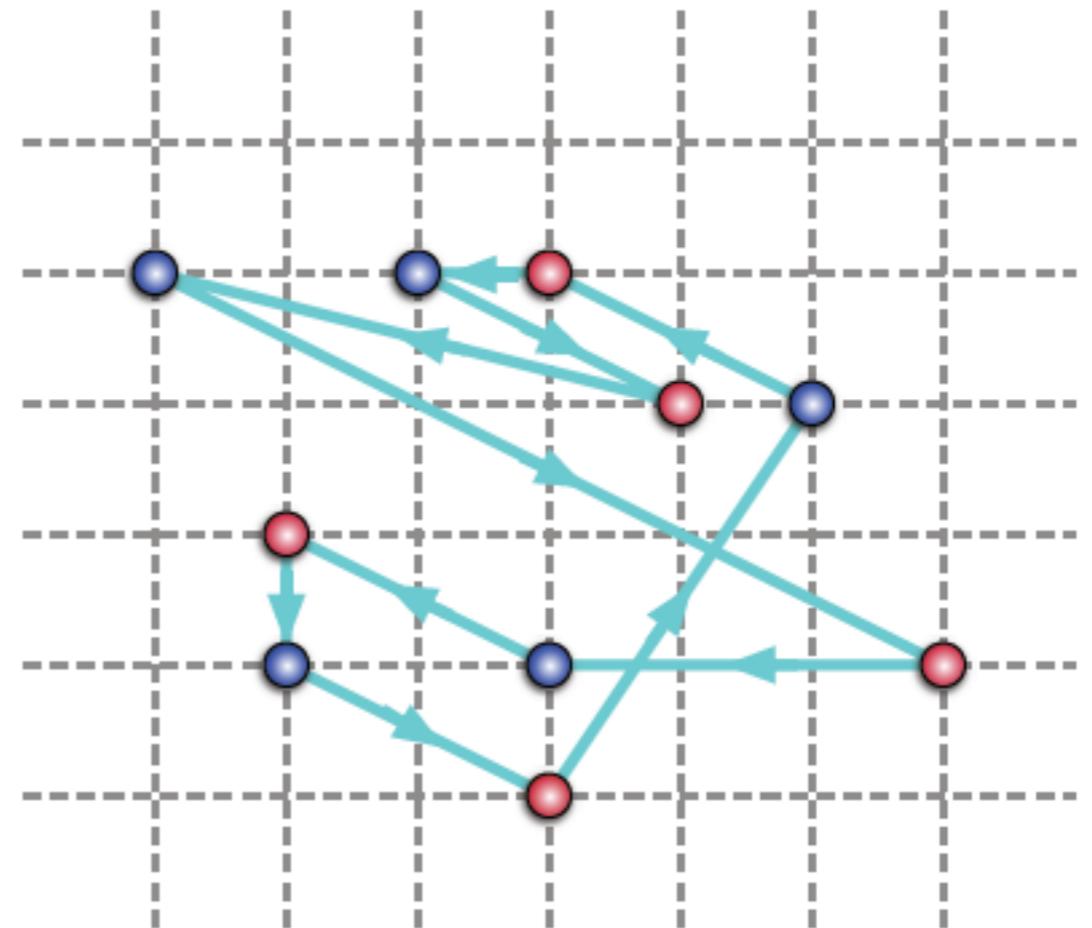
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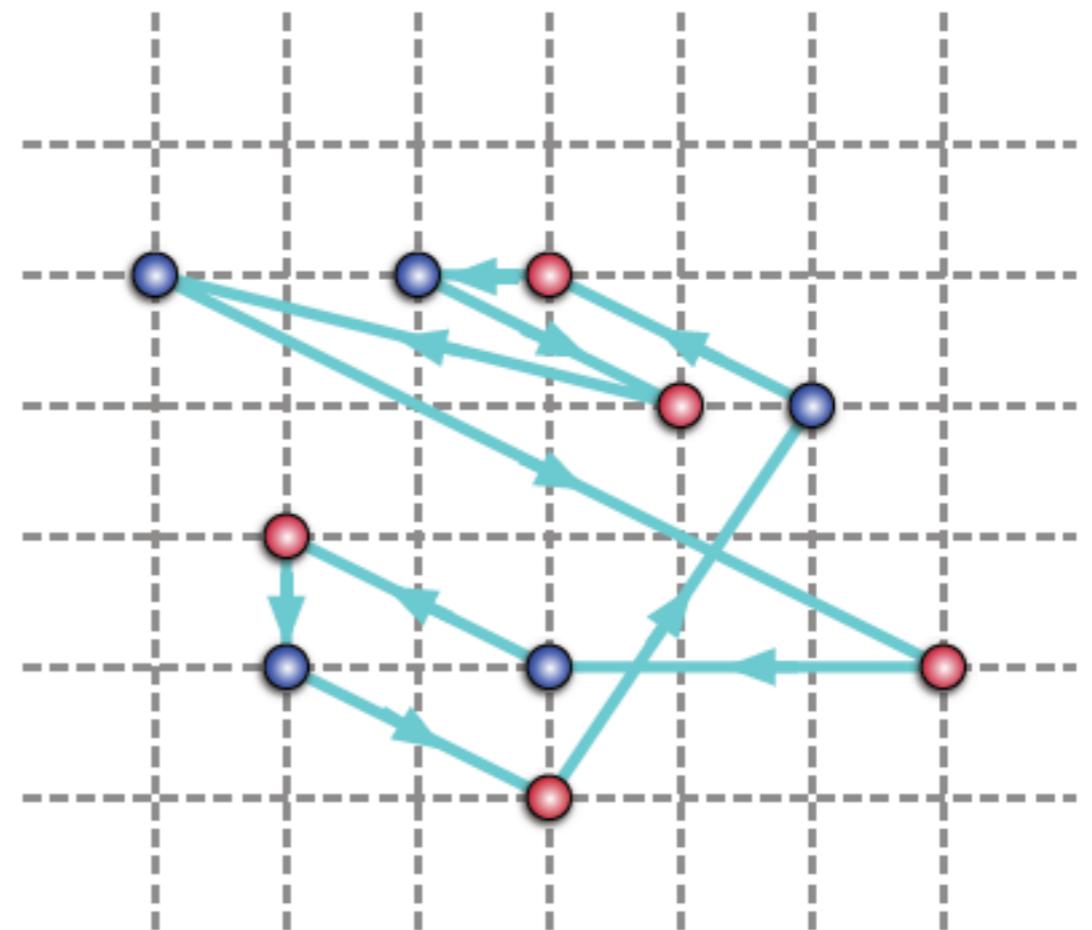
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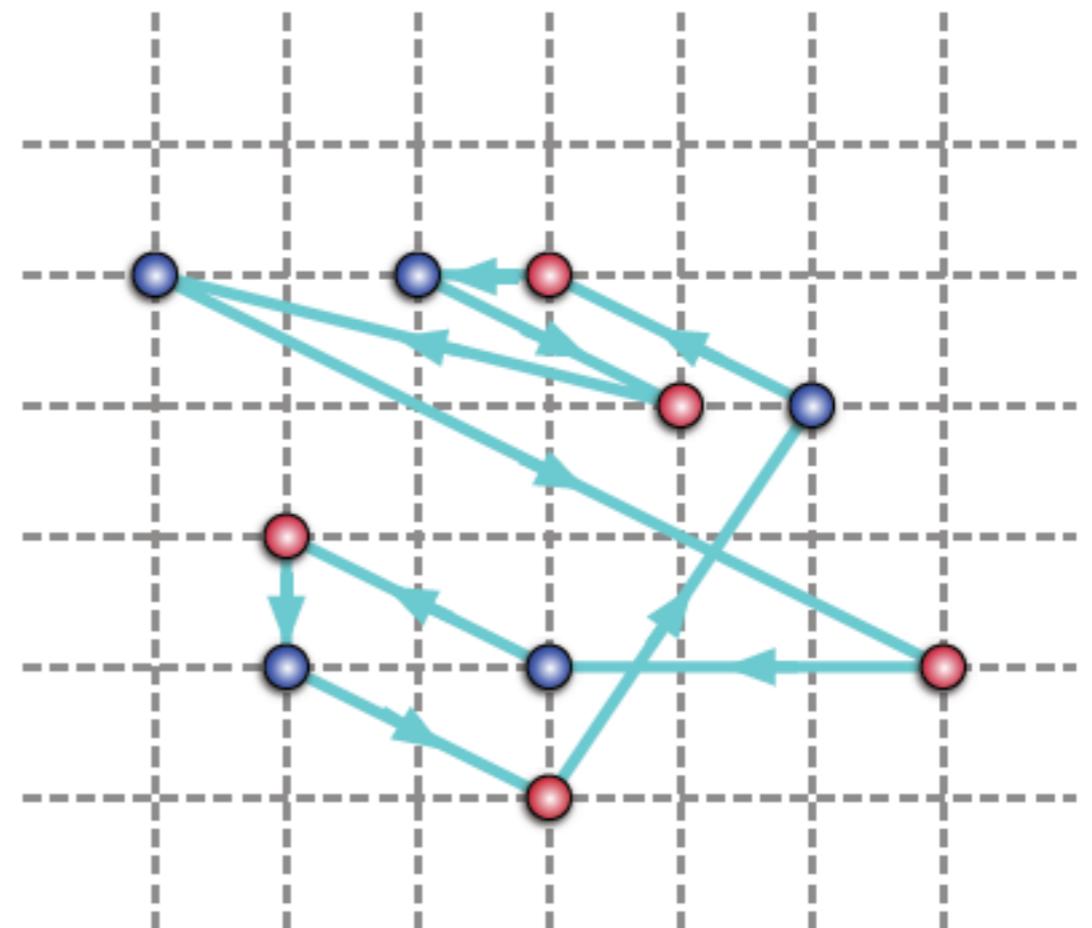
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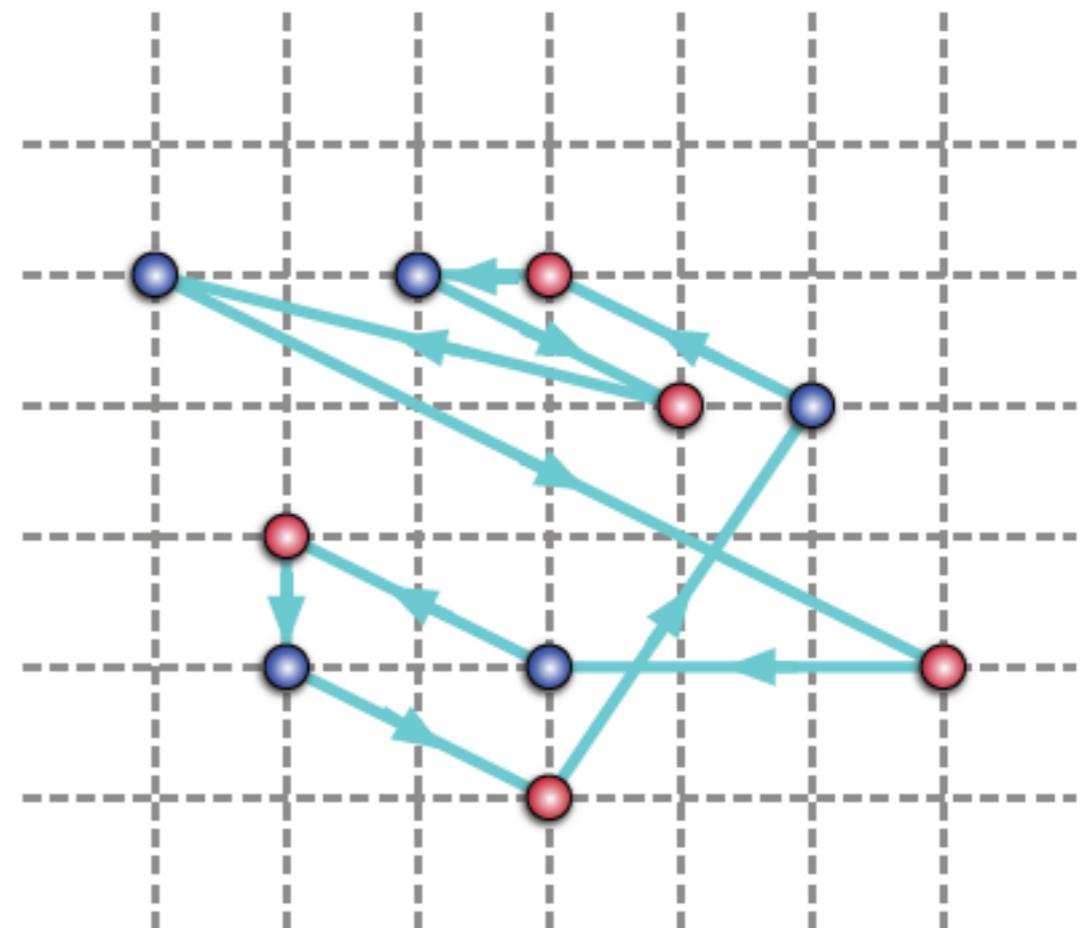
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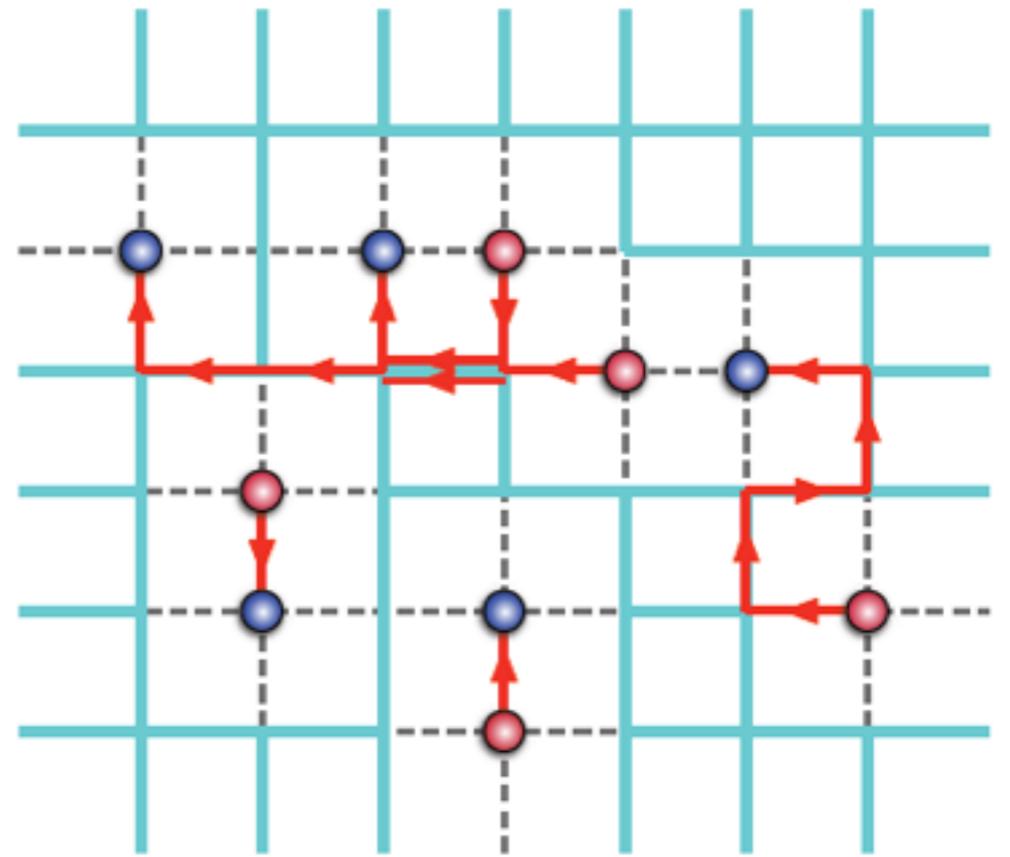
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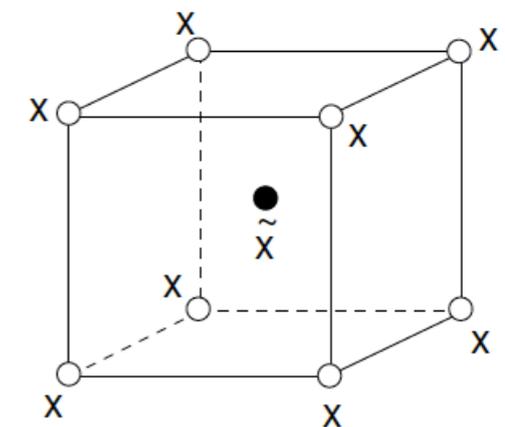
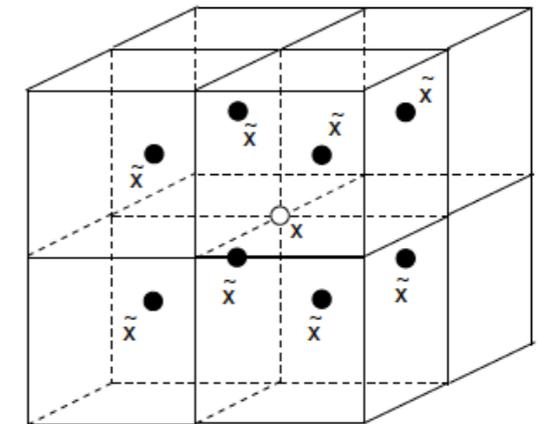
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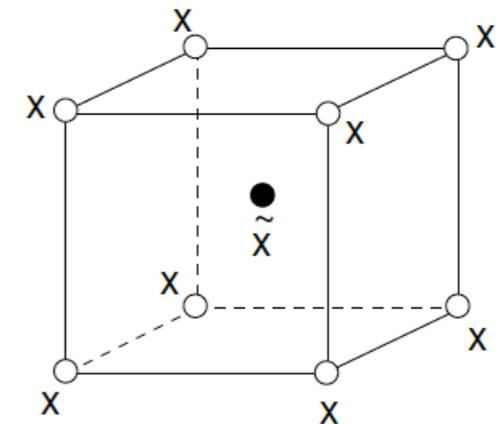
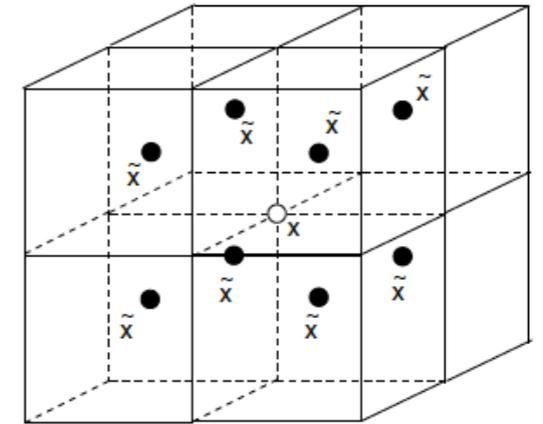
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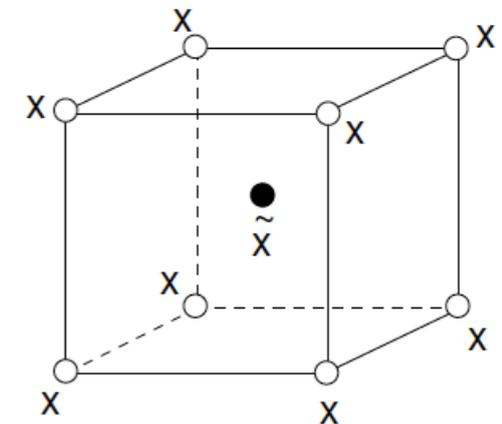
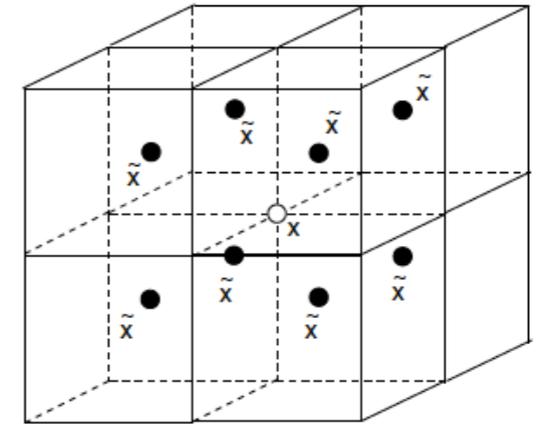


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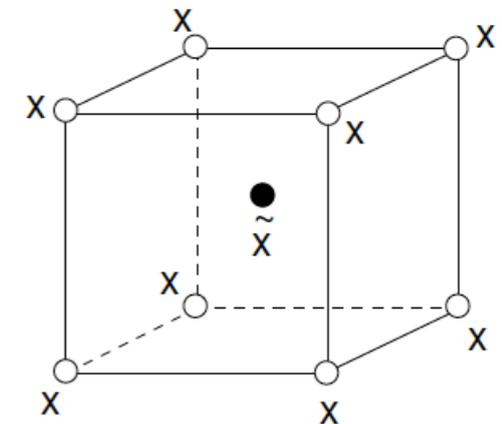
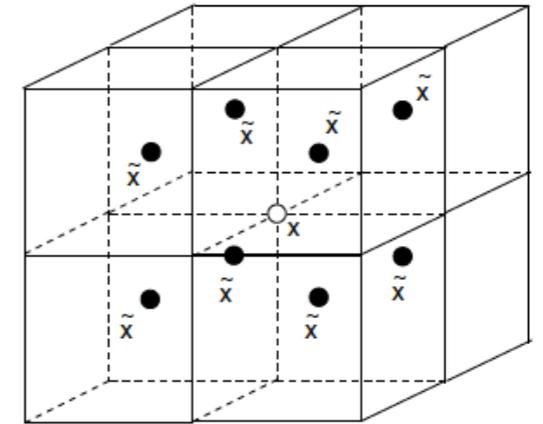
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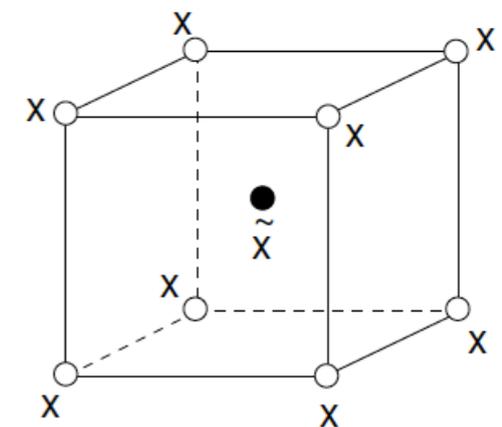
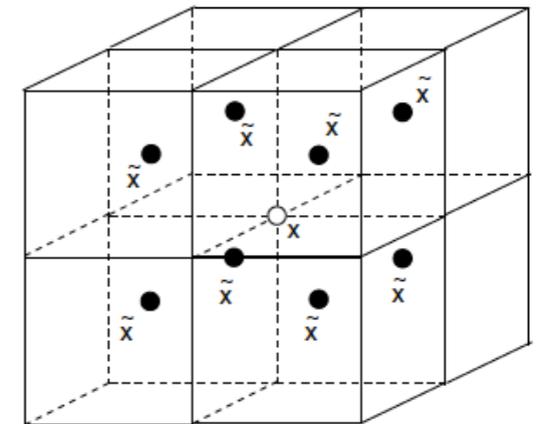
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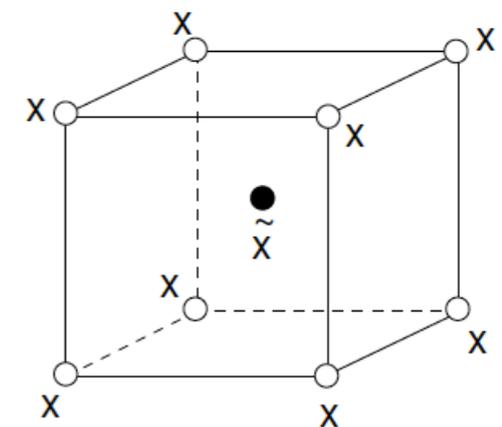
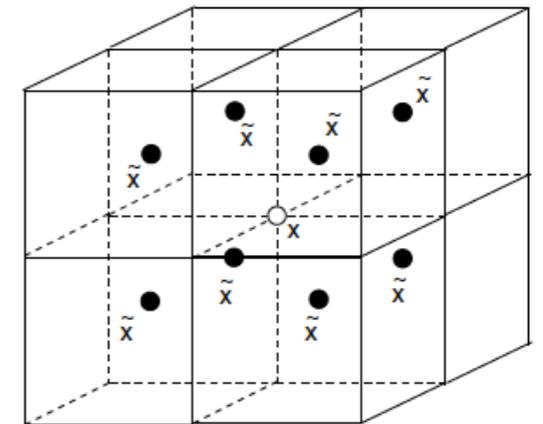
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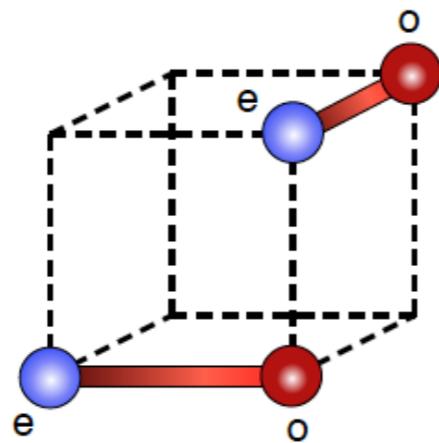
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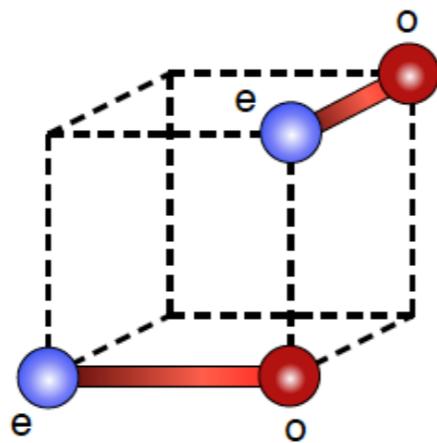


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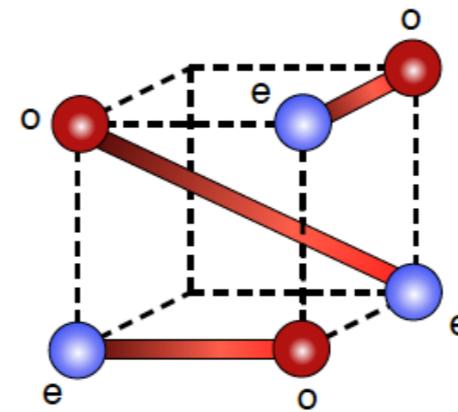
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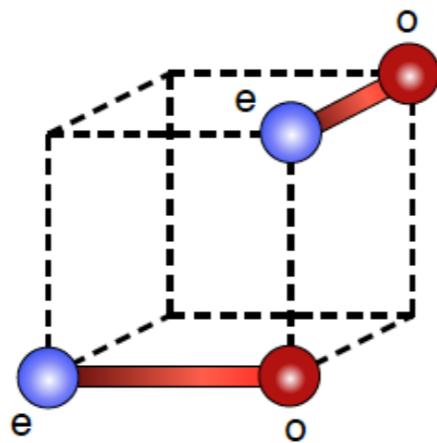


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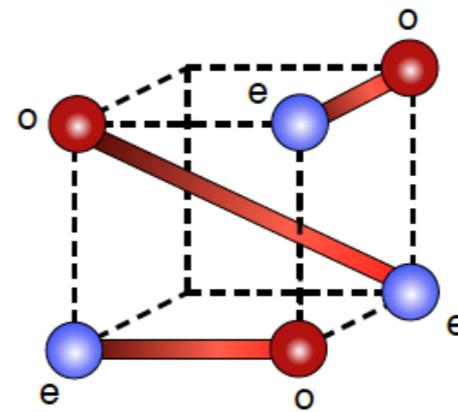
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$$S(\theta, \bar{\psi}, \psi) = \sum_{\mathbf{xy}} \bar{\psi}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{xy}}^0 \psi_{\mathbf{x}} - \sum_{\langle \mathbf{xy} \rangle} U_{\langle \mathbf{xy} \rangle} \bar{\psi}_{\mathbf{x}} \psi_{\mathbf{x}} \bar{\psi}_{\mathbf{y}} \psi_{\mathbf{y}}$$



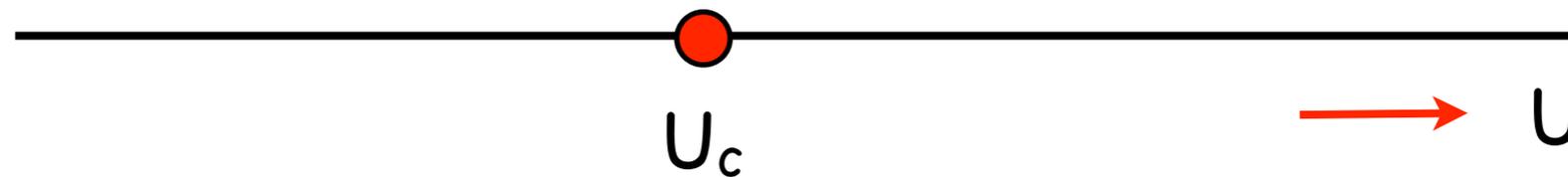
Thirring



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massless fermions/
U(1) symmetric

massive fermions/
U(1) broken



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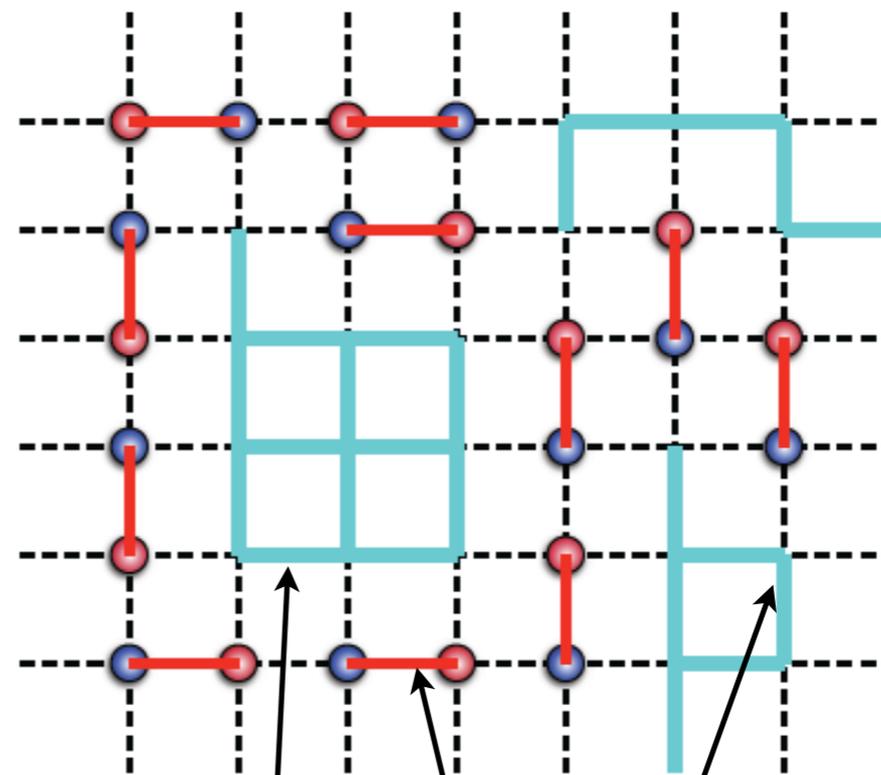

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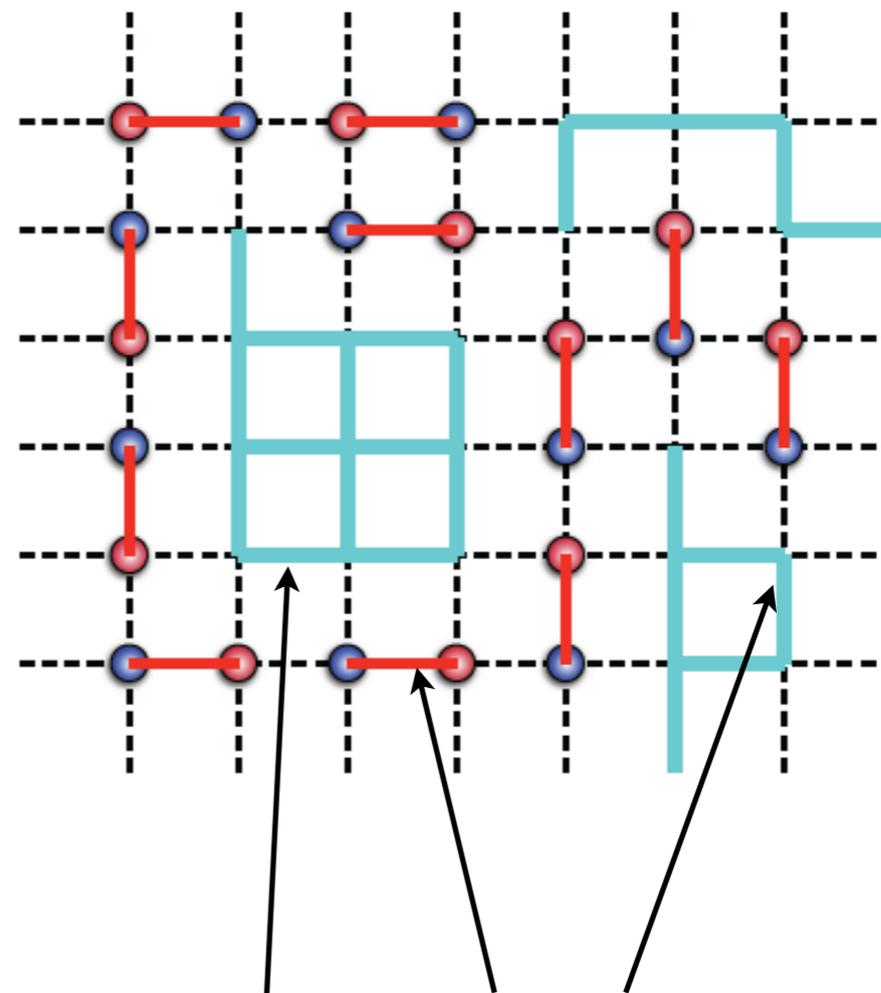
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$k \times k$ matrix



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$$R_{\mathbf{F}} = C_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{L}/2 - \mathbf{1}) / C(\mathbf{1})$$

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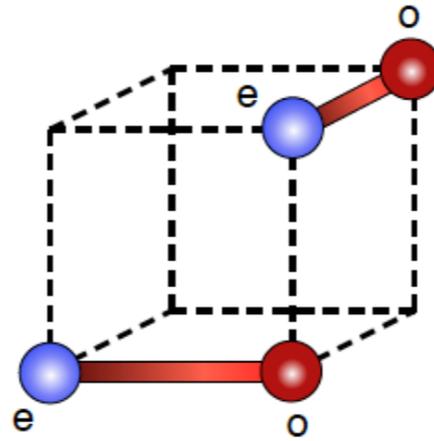
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If we plot LHS w.r.t \mathbf{U}
all quantities must be independent of \mathbf{L} at $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U}_c$

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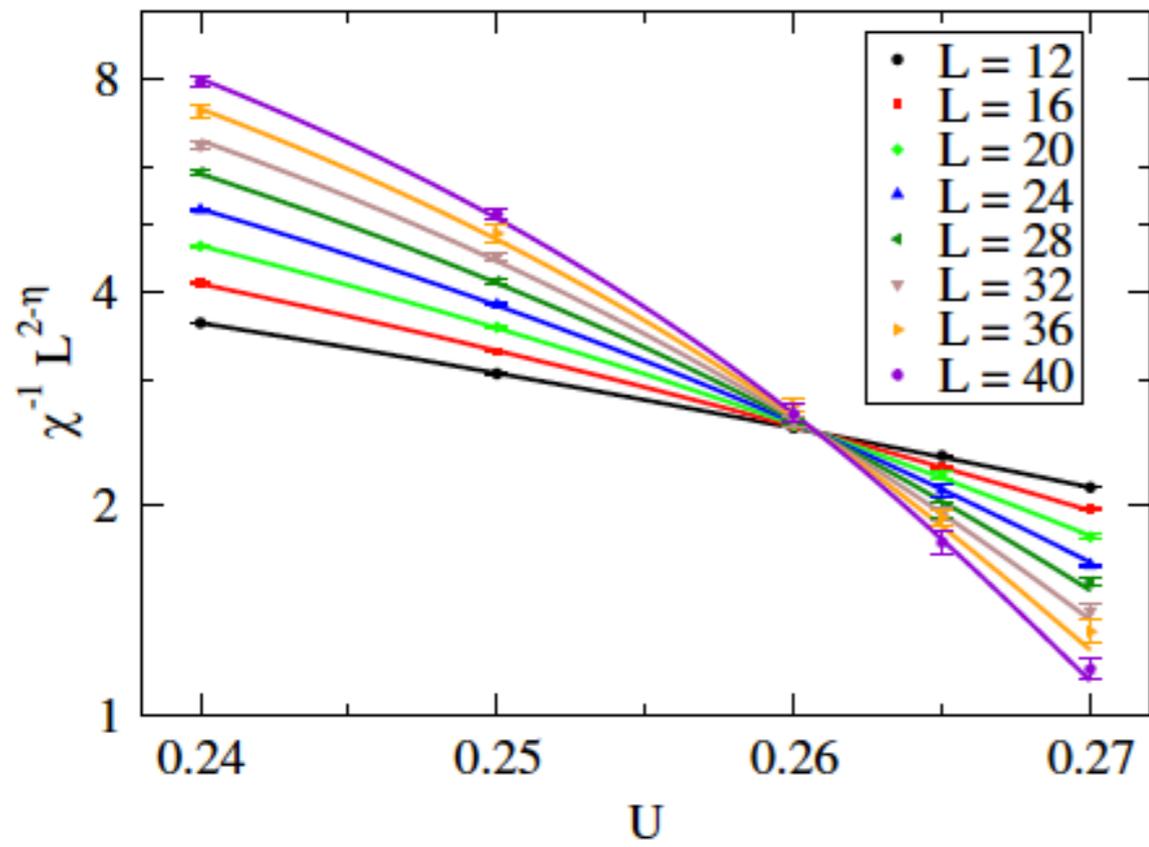
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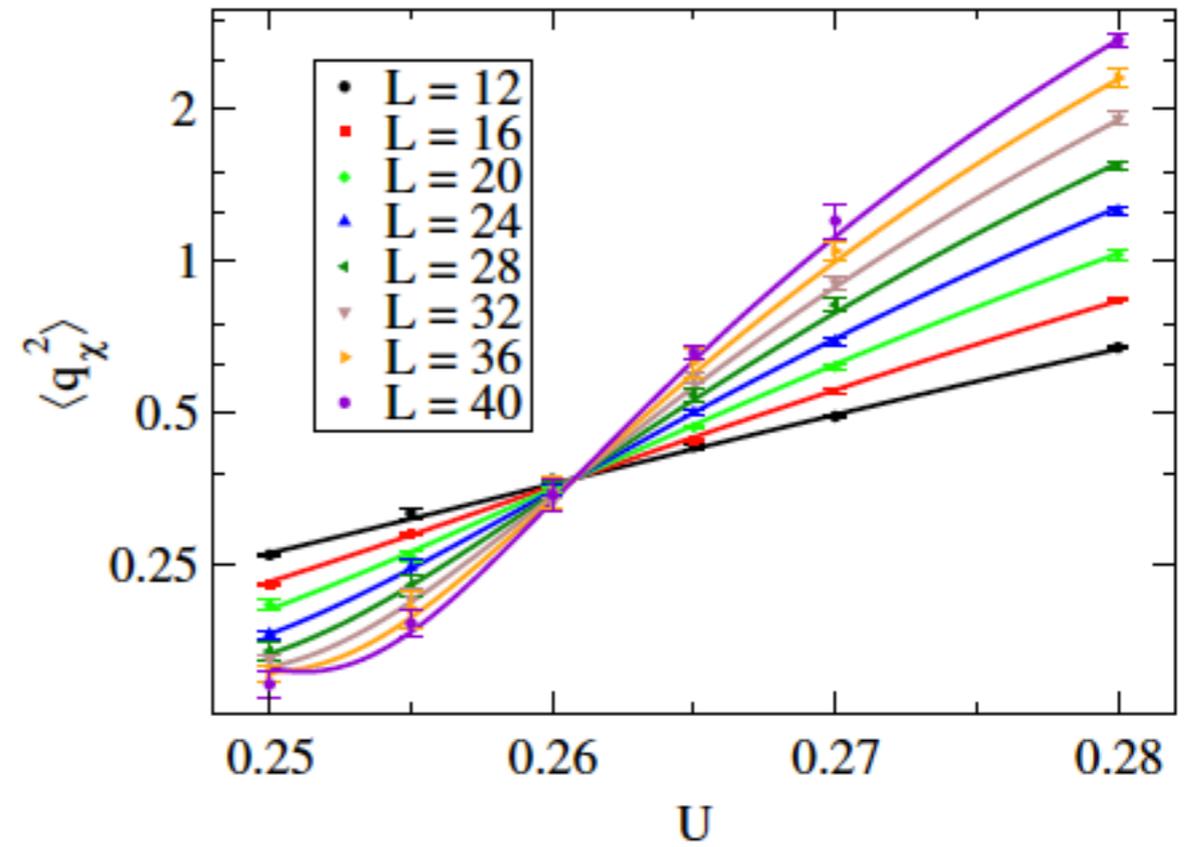
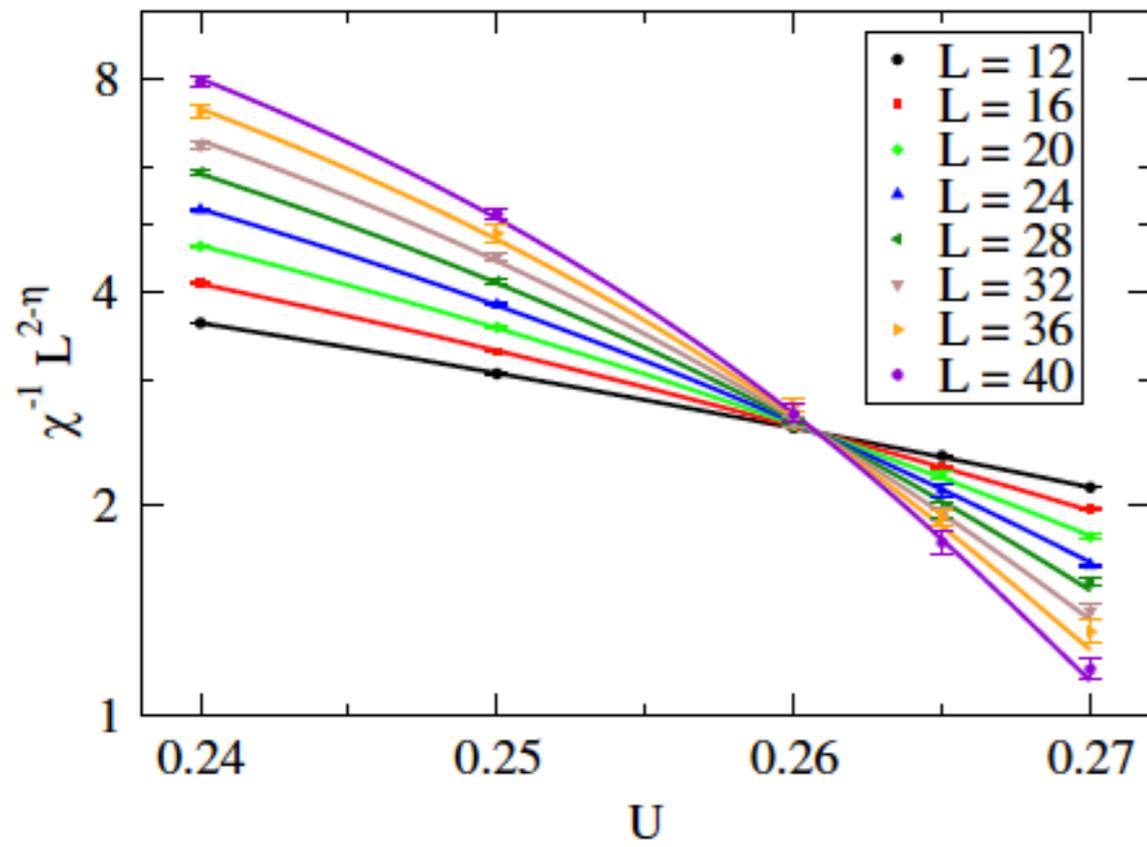
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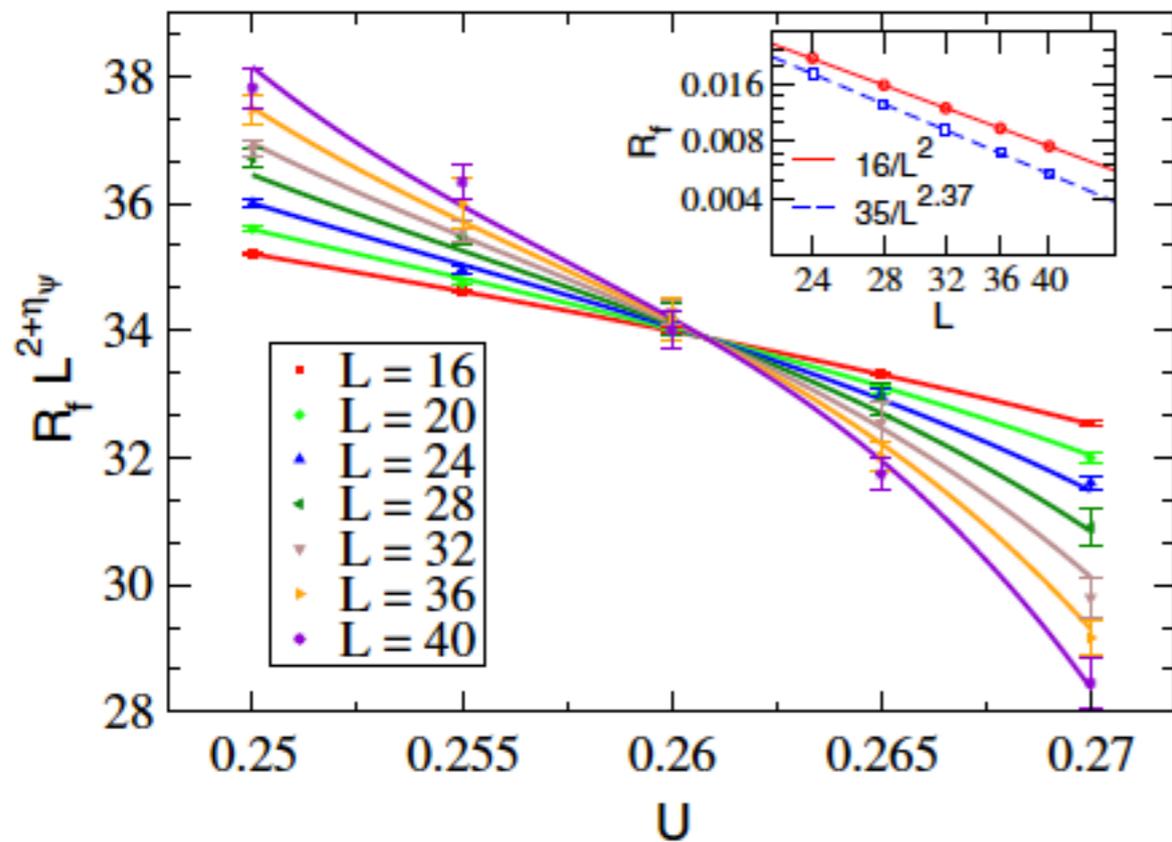
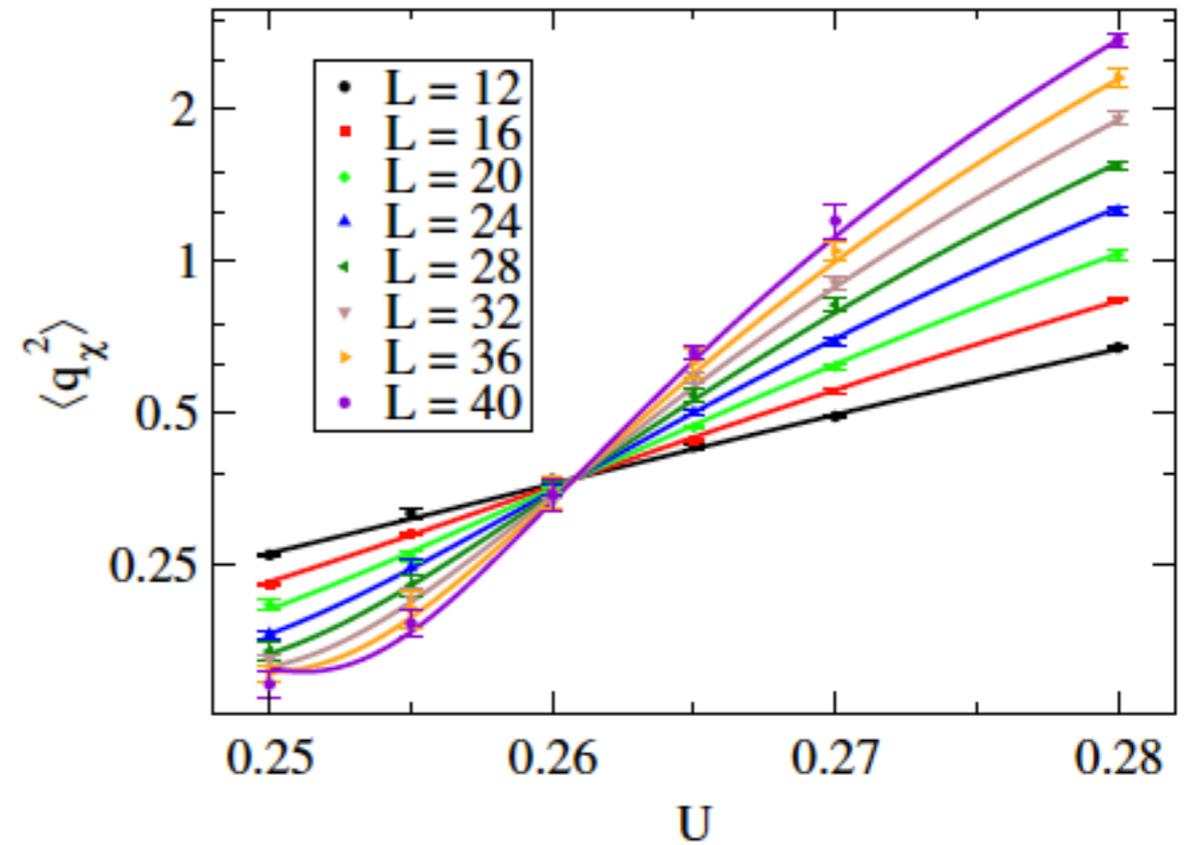
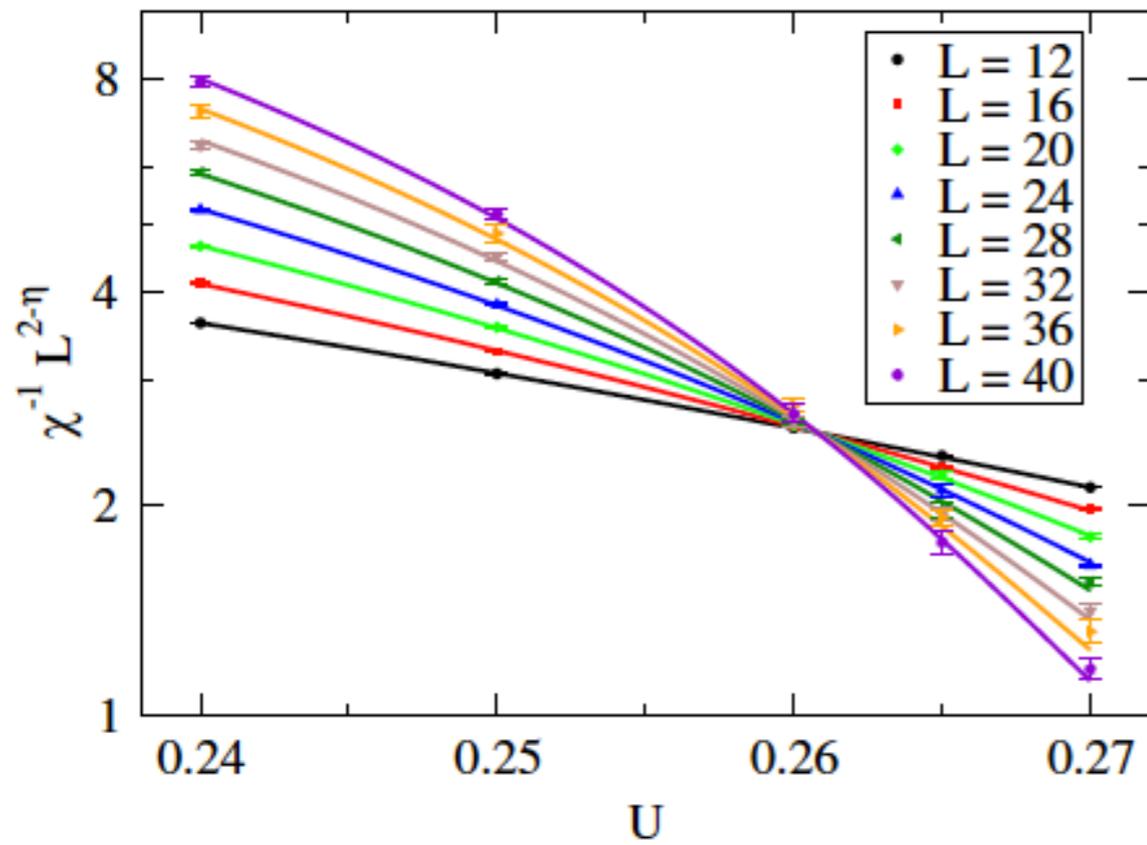
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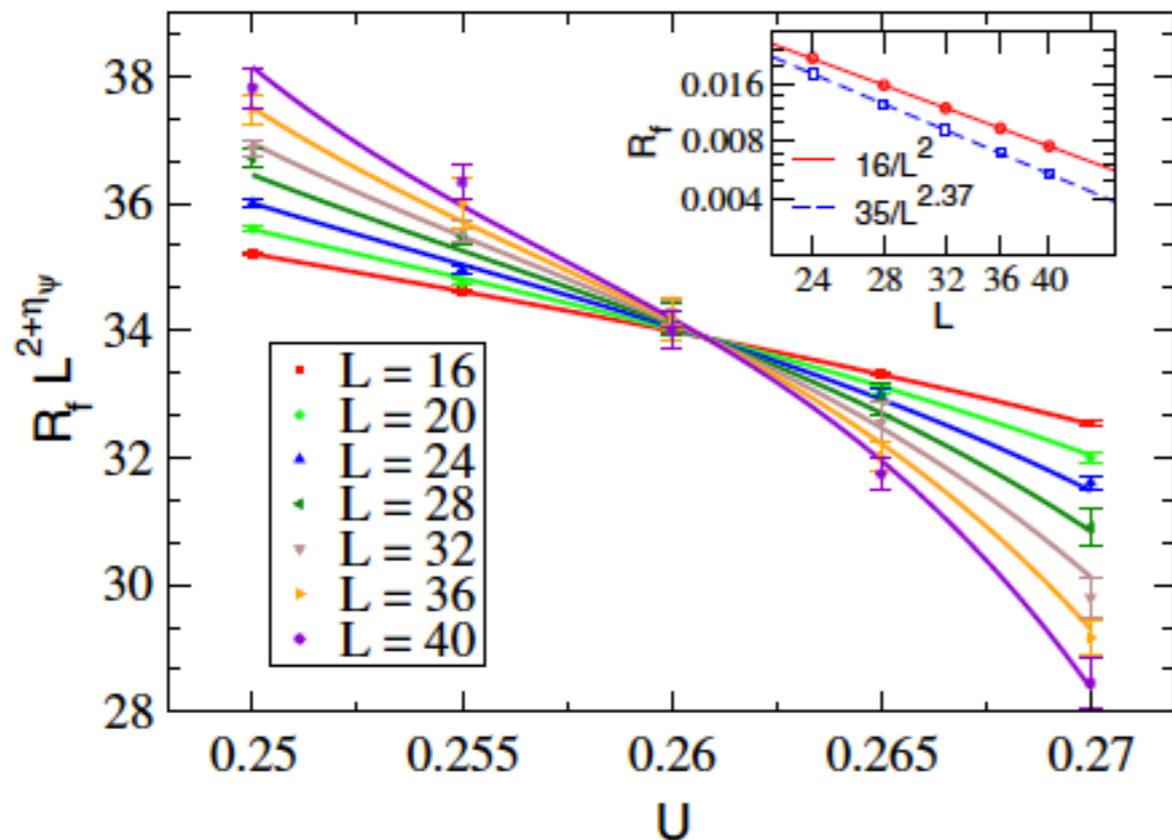
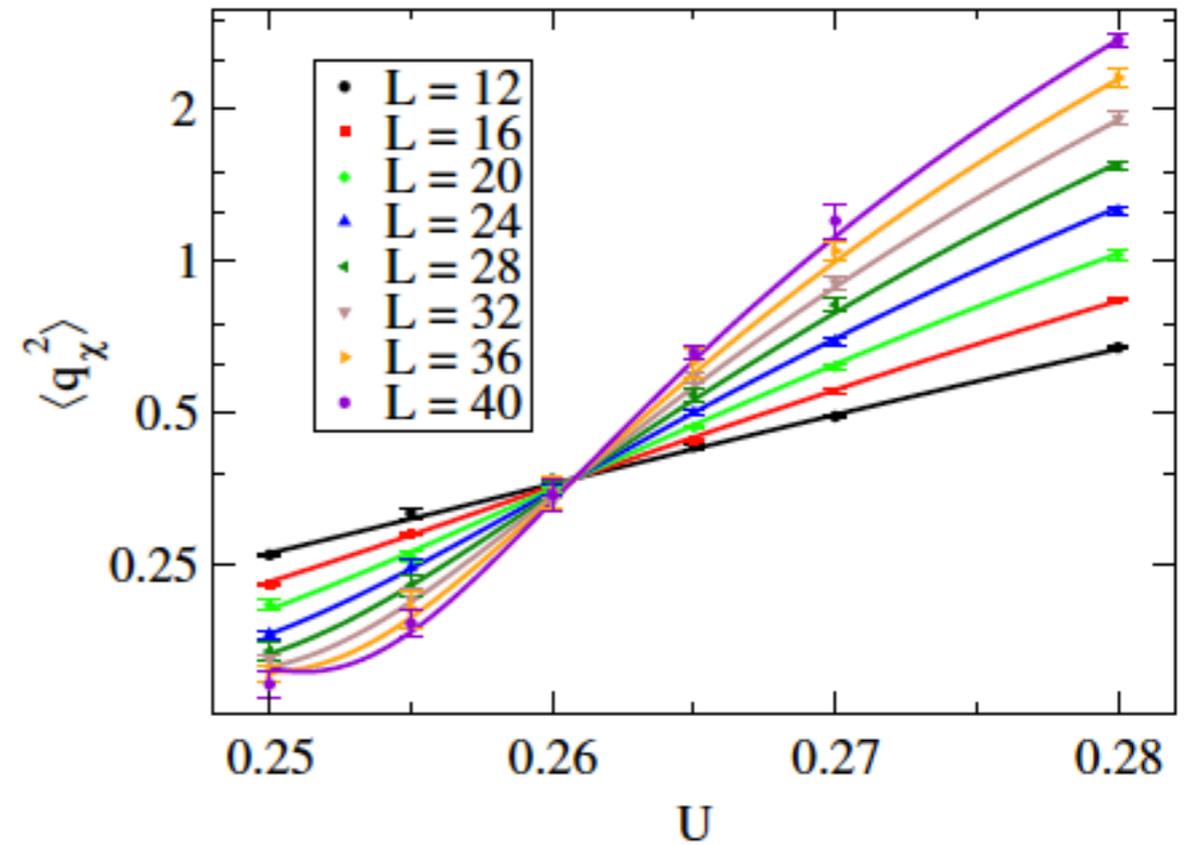
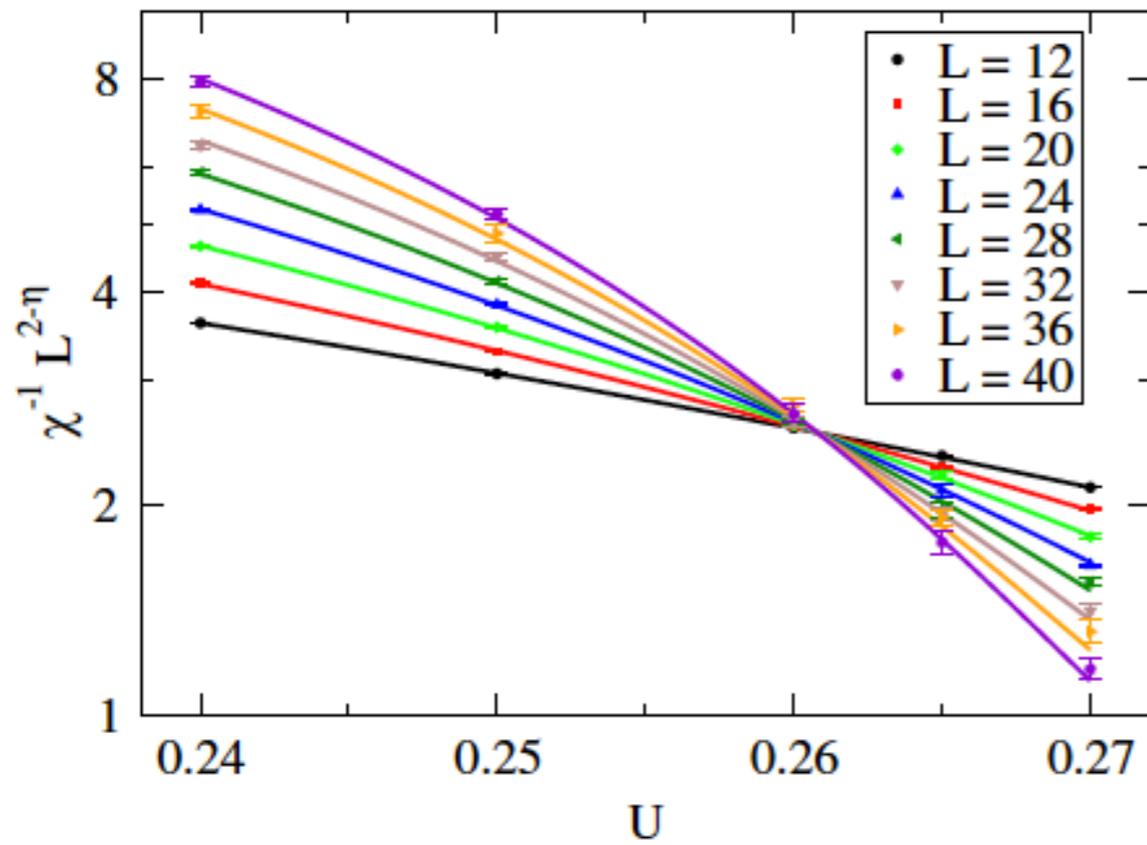
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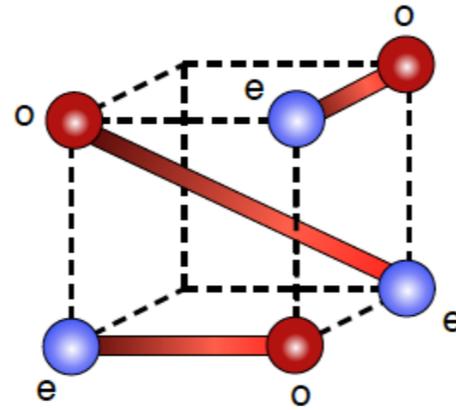
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Work	Range of L	Range of m	U_c	v	η	η_ψ
Mean Field Theory Lee & Shrock PRL (1987)	N/A	0	0.25	1.0	1.0	0.0
Hybrid Monte Carlo Debbio & Hands, PLB (1997)	8-12	0.4-0.02	0.250(10)	0.80(15)	0.7(15)	??
Hybrid Monte Carlo Barbour et. al., PRD (1998)	16-24	0.06-0.01	0.250(06)	0.80(20)	0.4(2)	??
Fermion Bag S.C & A. Li (our work) PRL, (2012)	12-40	0	0.2608(2)	0.85(1)	0.65(1)	0.37(1)

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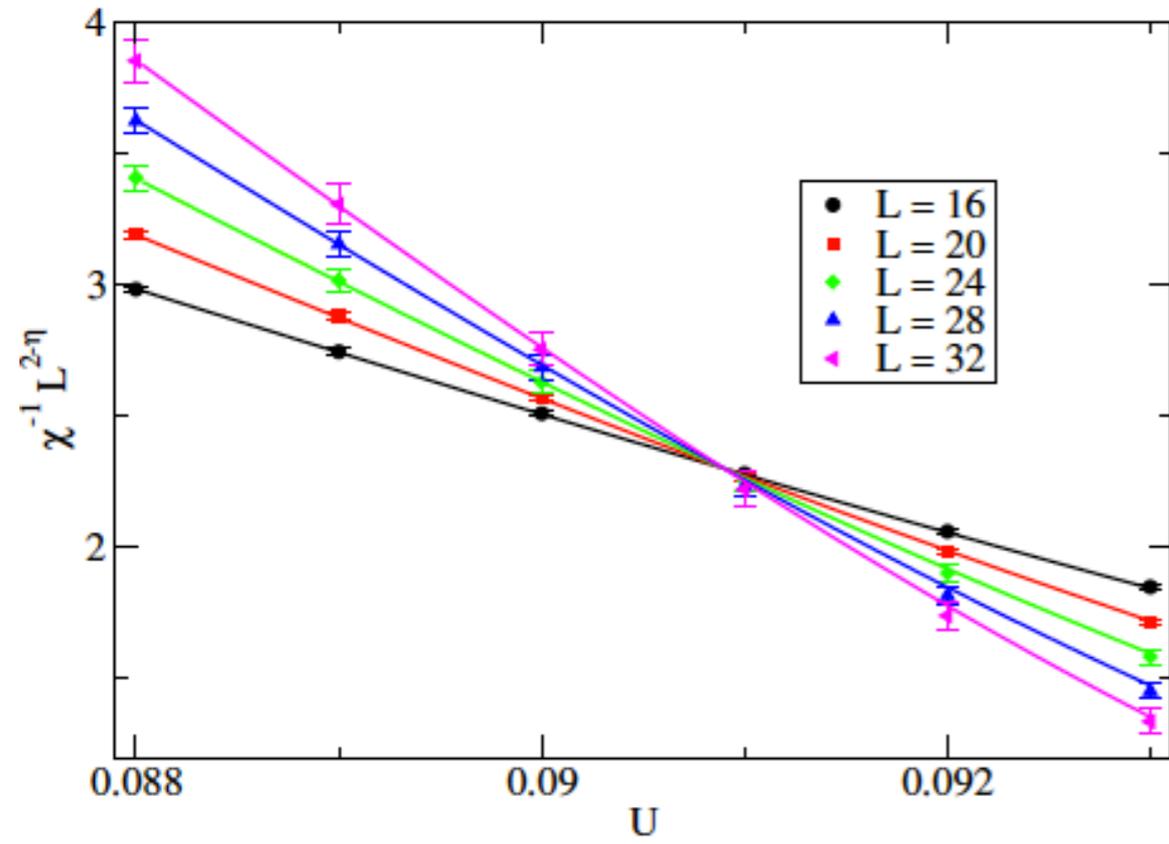
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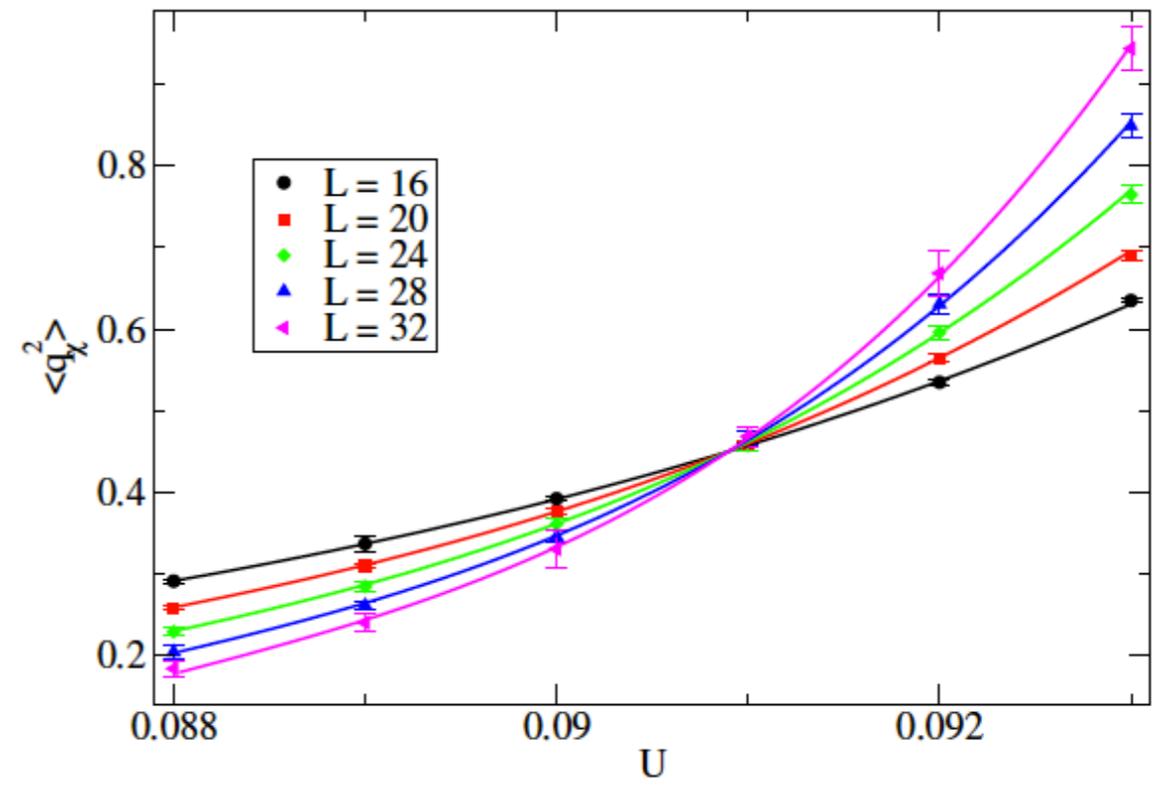
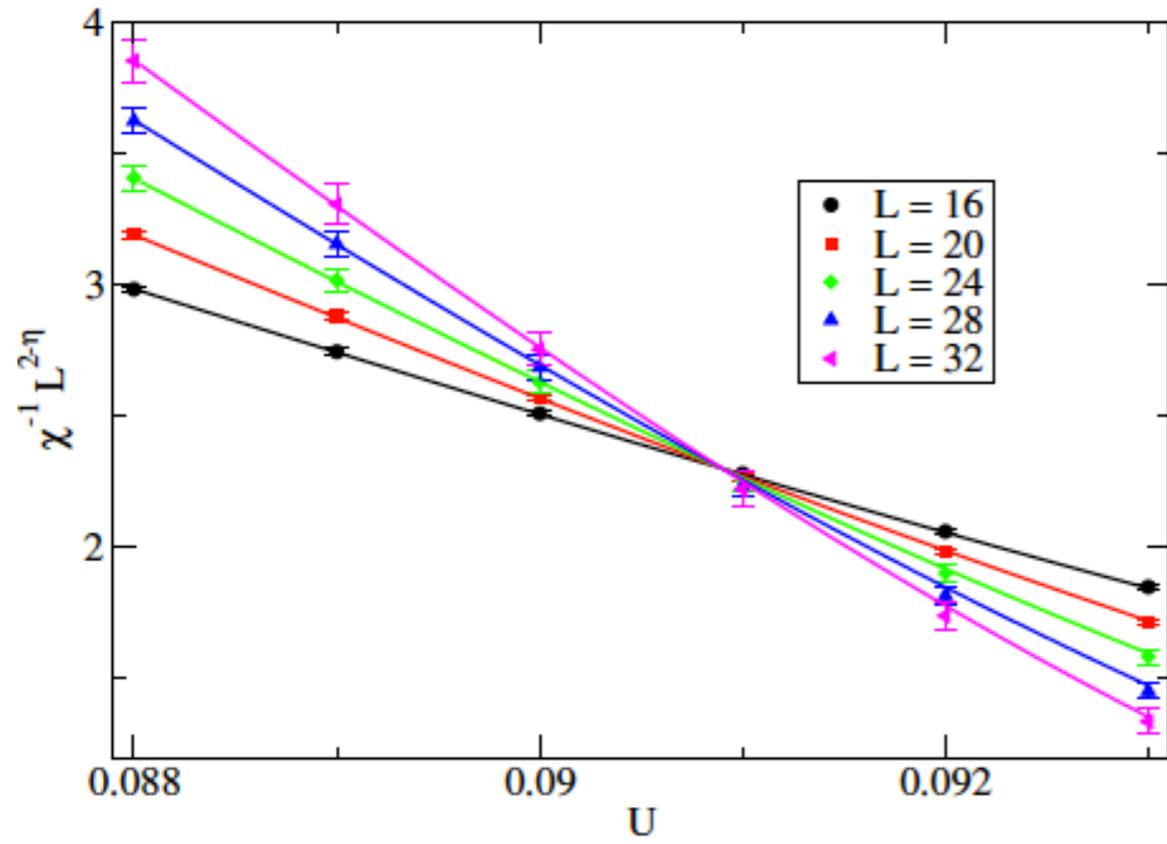
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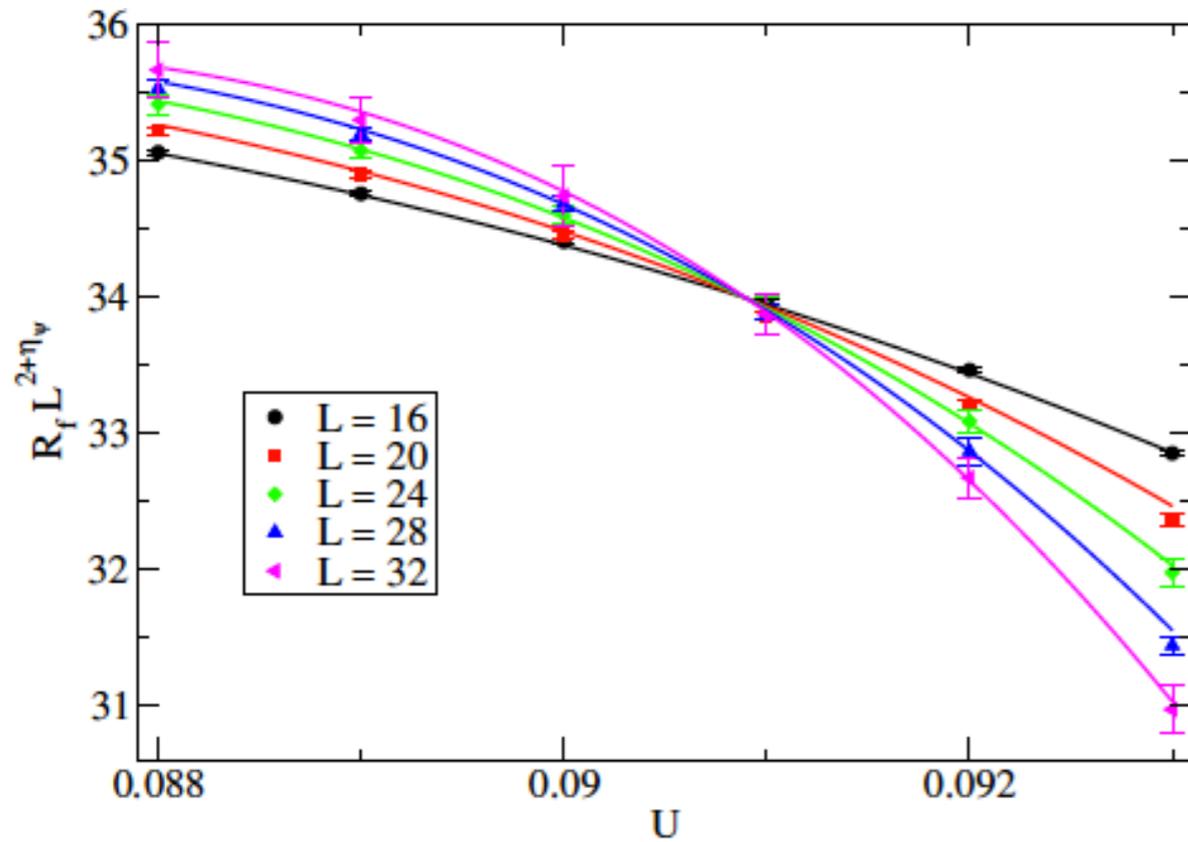
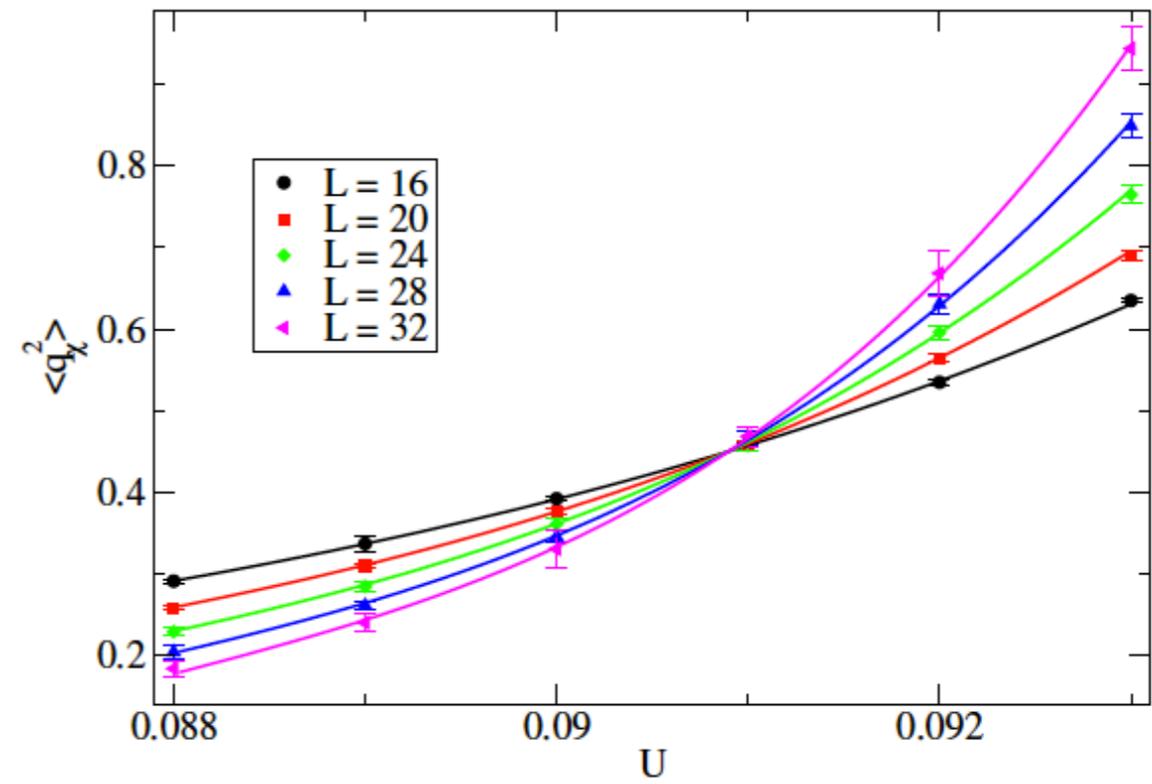
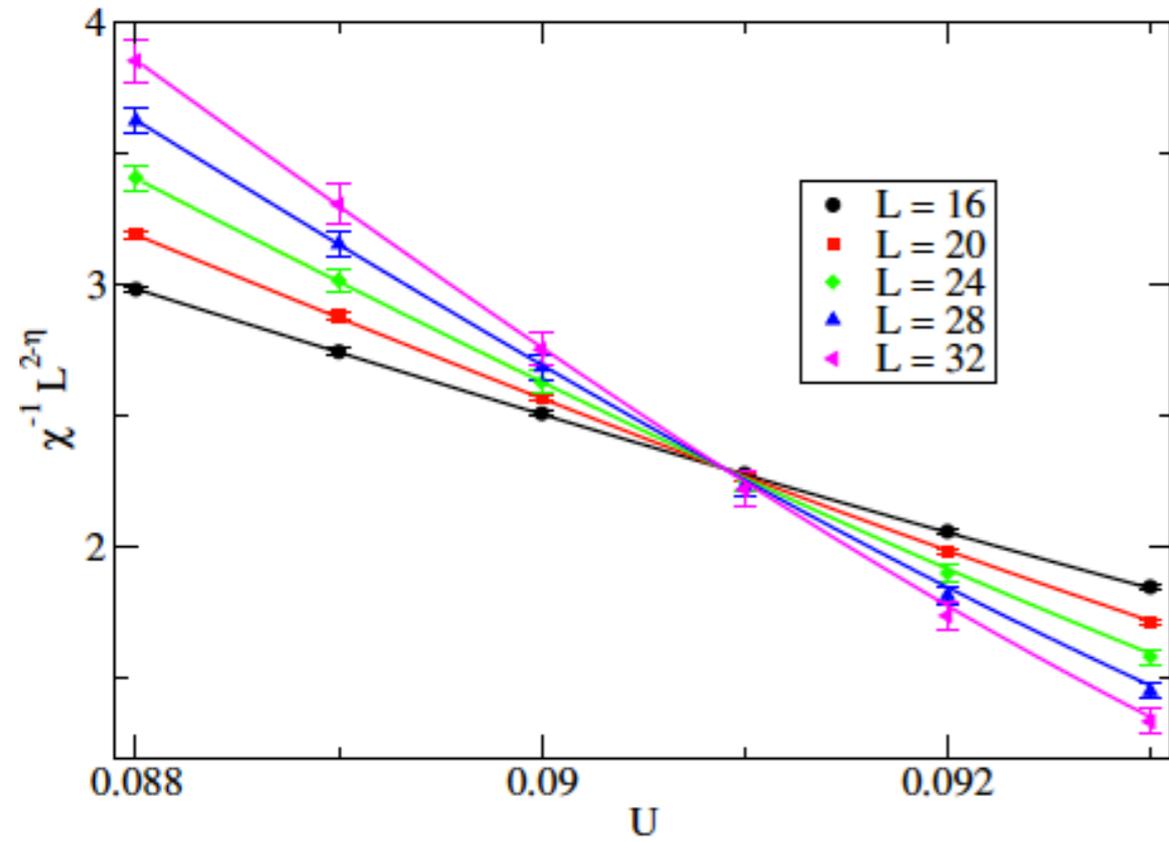
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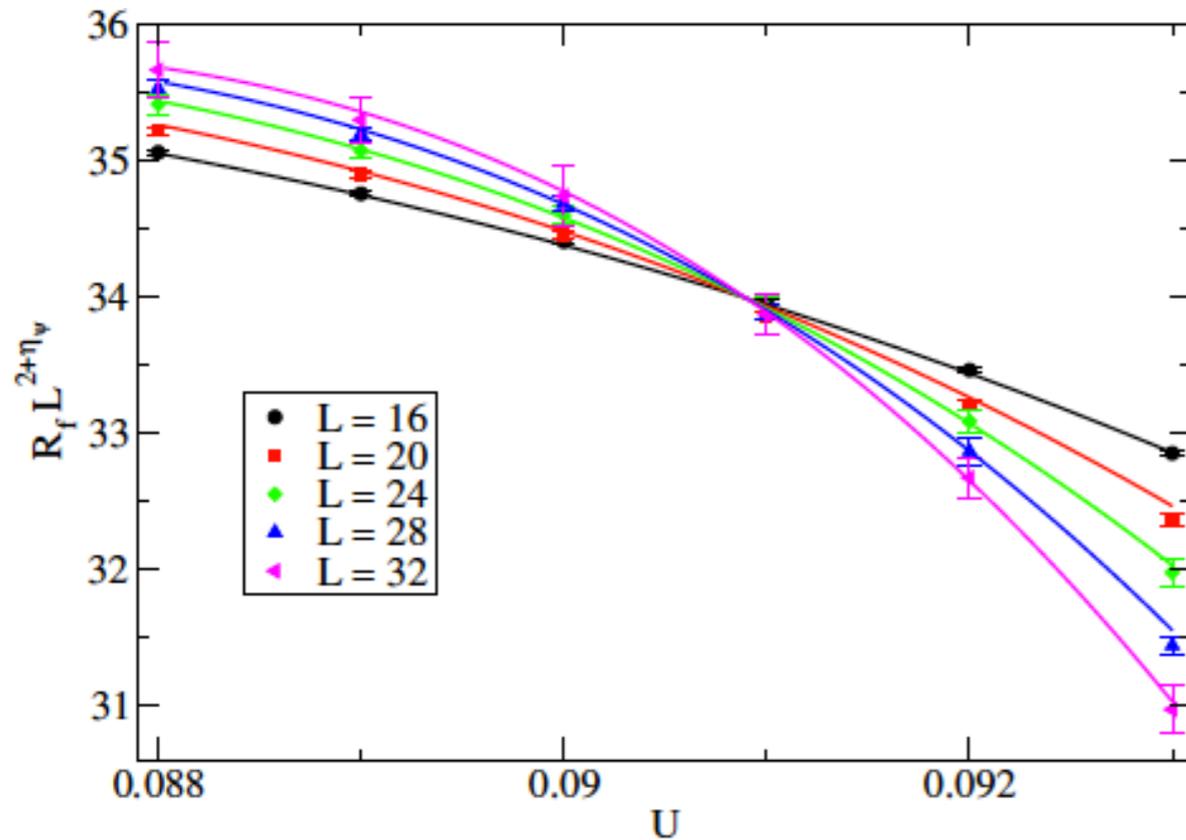
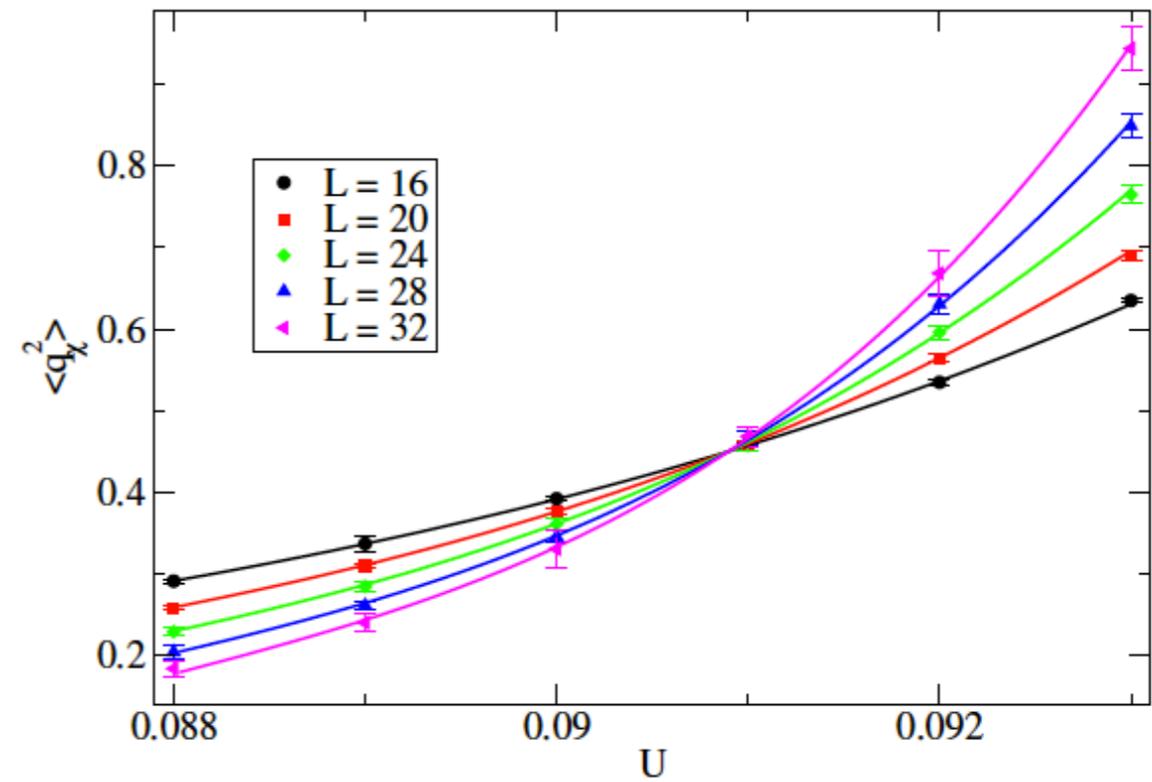
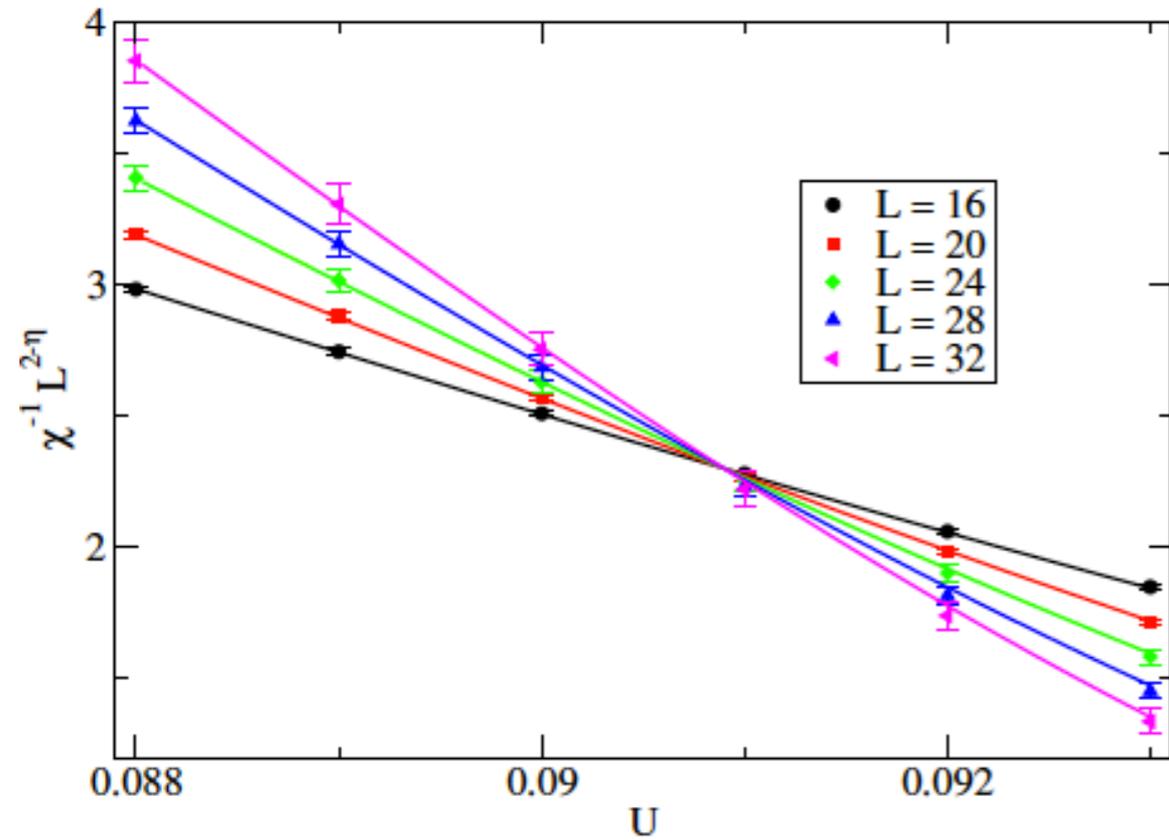
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		U(1)	1.03(4)	0.90(5)
		SU(2)	1.16(5)	1.10(6)
Karckainen et. al., NPB415 (1994) 781	2	Z2	1.00(4)	0.754(8)
Rossa, Vitale and Wetterich PRL86 (2001) 958	2	Z2	1.0(5)	0.76(2)
Our Work	2	U(1)	0.88(1)	0.63(1)

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