

Partition Function Zeros of the Frustrated J_1 - J_2 Ising Model on the Honeycomb Lattice

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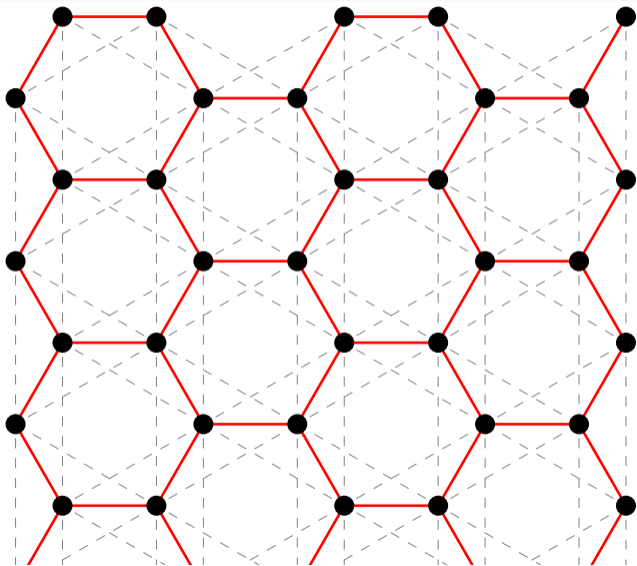
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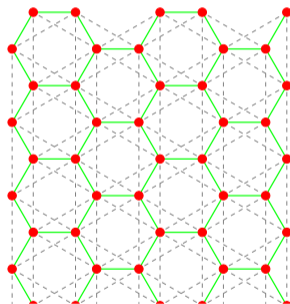
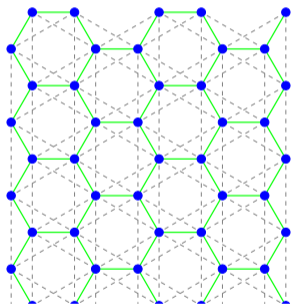
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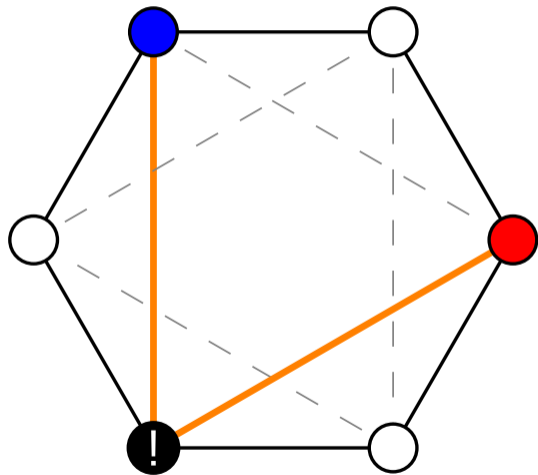
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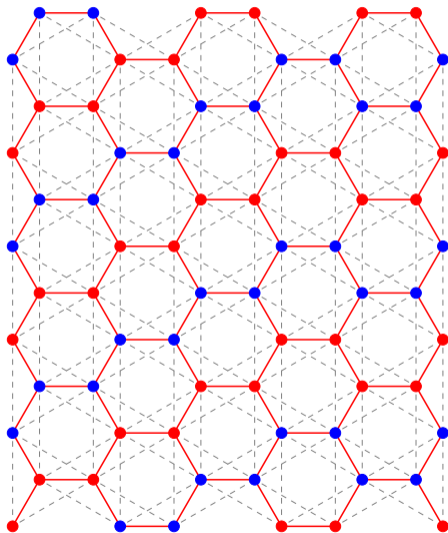
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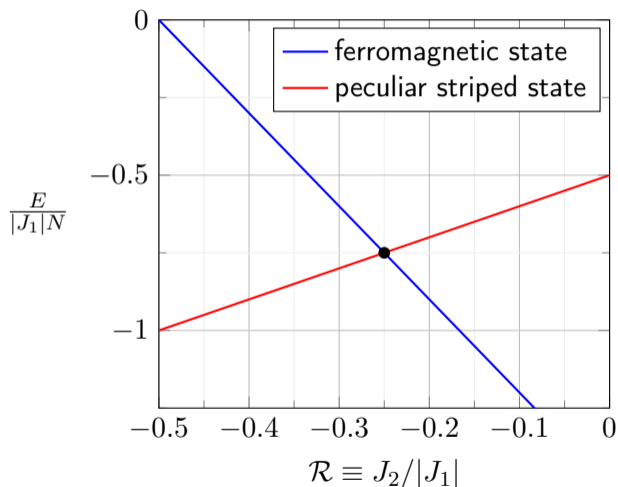
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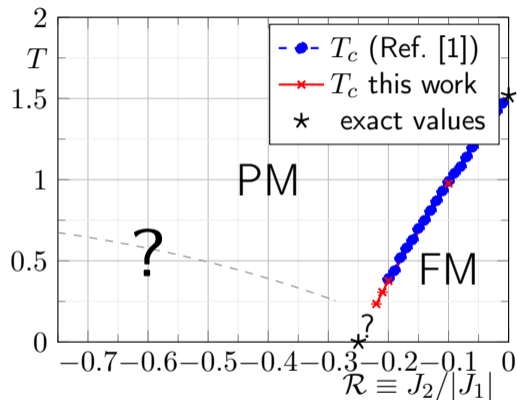
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- For $\mathcal{R} \equiv J_2/|J_1| < -0.25$ ground-state entropy per row finite; existence and nature of phase transition (PT) unclear
- At $\mathcal{R} = -0.25$ the ground-state entropy per spin finite, and no PT expected.
- For $\mathcal{R} > -0.25$ an order-disorder transition [2][3] exists at a non-zero temperature that (except for a small unclear window $\mathcal{R} \in (-0.25, -0.2)$) is in the **Ising universality class**^[1].

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'Traditional' finite-size scaling (FSS)

Critical exponents

- $\xi \propto |1 - T/T_c|^{-\nu}$
- $m \propto (1 - T/T_c)^\beta \quad (T < T_c)$
- $\chi \propto |1 - T/T_c|^{-\gamma}$
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For finite system sizes L

- finite system $\Rightarrow \xi$ cannot diverge $\Rightarrow \xi \simeq L$
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Relations used here

$$d \ln |m| \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \ln \langle |M| \rangle = \frac{\langle |M| \mathcal{H} \rangle}{\langle |M| \rangle} - \langle \mathcal{H} \rangle \propto L^{-1/\nu}$$

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$$\mathcal{Z}(\beta, h) \neq 0 \quad \forall (\beta, h) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

“Free energy is analytic for finite systems.”

“No phase transitions in finite systems.”

Partition function zeros II

Idea

Allow $(\beta, h) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ and study how complex roots approach real axes as $L \rightarrow \infty$

Fisher zeros

- Solve $\mathcal{Z}(\beta_k, h = 0) = 0$ for β_k
- 'critical' zeros scale as

$$\Im(\beta_k) \propto L^{-y_t}$$

$$\Re(\beta_k) - \beta_c \propto L^{-y_t}$$

$$y_t = 1/\nu$$

Lee-Yang zeros

- Solve $\mathcal{Z}(\beta, h_k) = 0$ for h_k (β fixed)
- LY circle theorem: $\Re(h_k) = 0$
- for $\beta < \beta_c$: $\Im(h_k) \neq 0$ as $L \rightarrow \infty$
- for $\beta \geq \beta_c$: $\Im(h_k) \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} 0$
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$$y_h = \frac{\beta\delta}{\nu} = \frac{\beta+\gamma}{\nu} = d - \frac{\beta}{\nu}$$

Fisher zeros of the non-frustrated Ising model

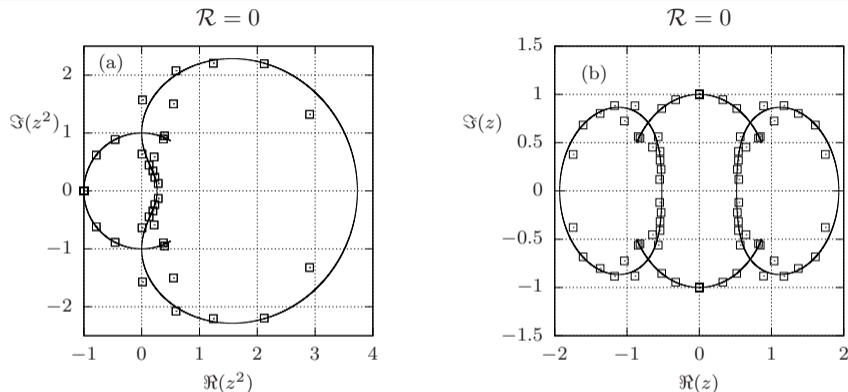


Figure: Fisher zeros in the complex temperature planes (a) $z^2 = e^{-2\beta J_1}$ and (b) $z = e^{-\beta J_1}$ for $\mathcal{R} = 0$. Points denote our data for $L = 4$ obtained by exact enumeration. The solid lines are the exact zeros for $L \rightarrow \infty$ [4][5].

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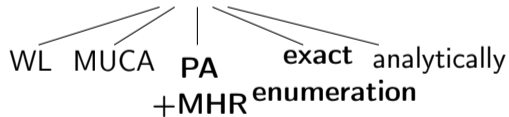
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WL MUCA PA exact analytically
 +MHR enumeration

- here: different approach^[6] not requiring DOS

- analytically
- polynomial root-finding
⇒ all zeros
- non-polynomial root-finding
⇒ leading zero(s)

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- Solve approximation for q_0 ^[6]:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \Re(q_0 - q) \\ |q_0 - q|^2 \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{\mu_n^{(+)}}{n} \\ 1 & -\frac{\mu_{n+1}^{(+)}}{n+1} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} (n-1)\mu_n^{(-)} \\ n \mu_{n+1}^{(-)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mu_n^{(\pm)} \equiv \langle\langle \Phi^{n \pm 1} \rangle\rangle / \langle\langle \Phi^n \rangle\rangle$$

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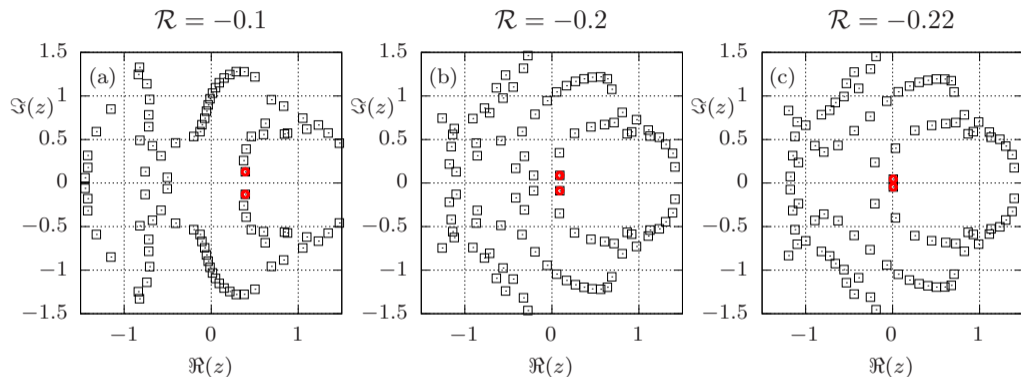


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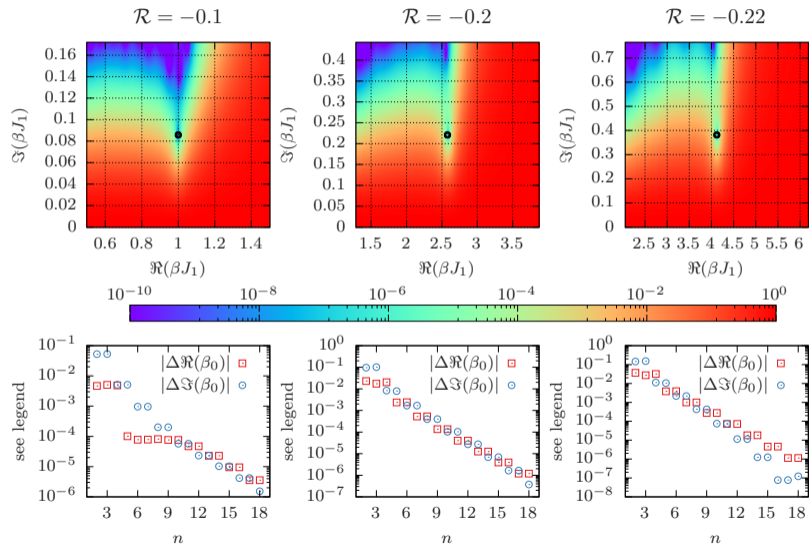
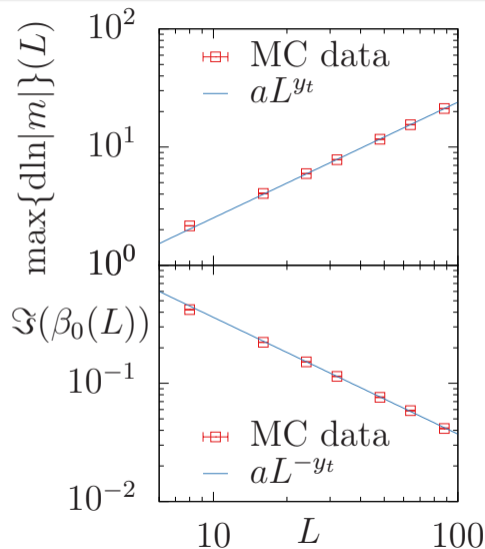
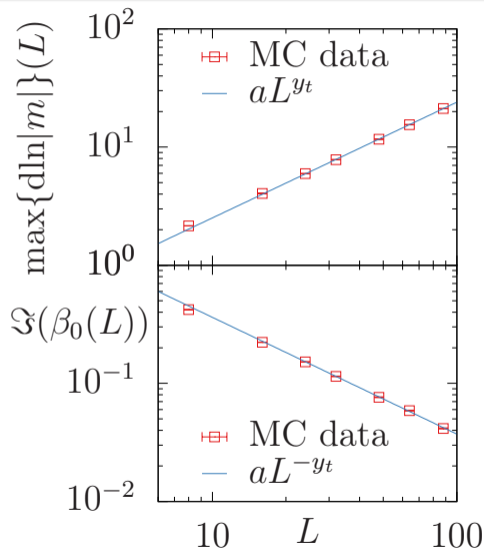
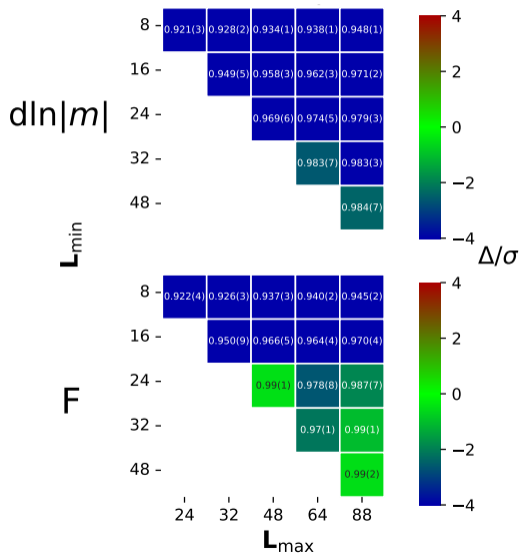
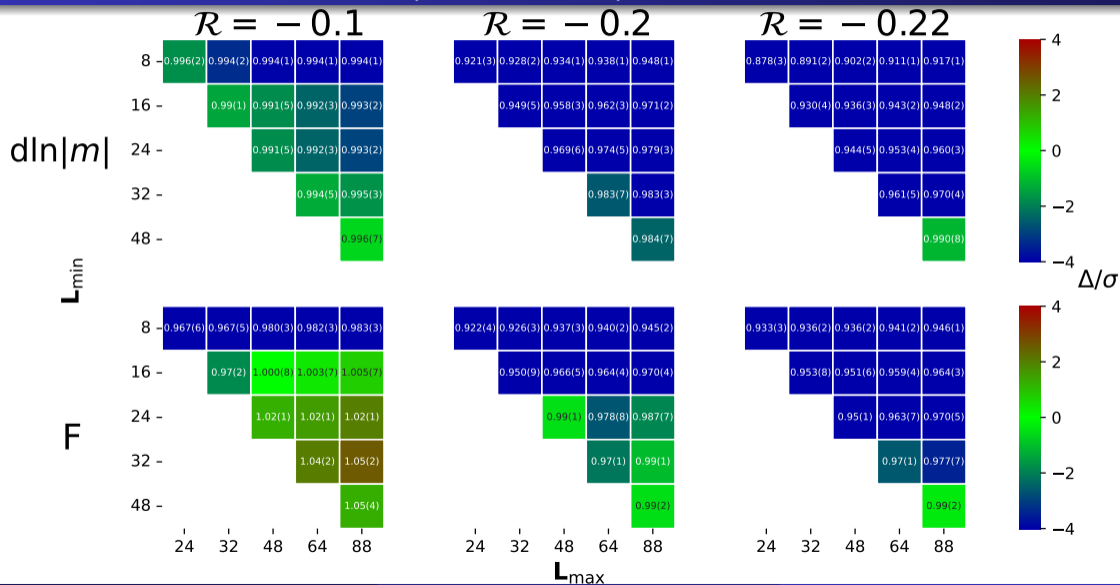
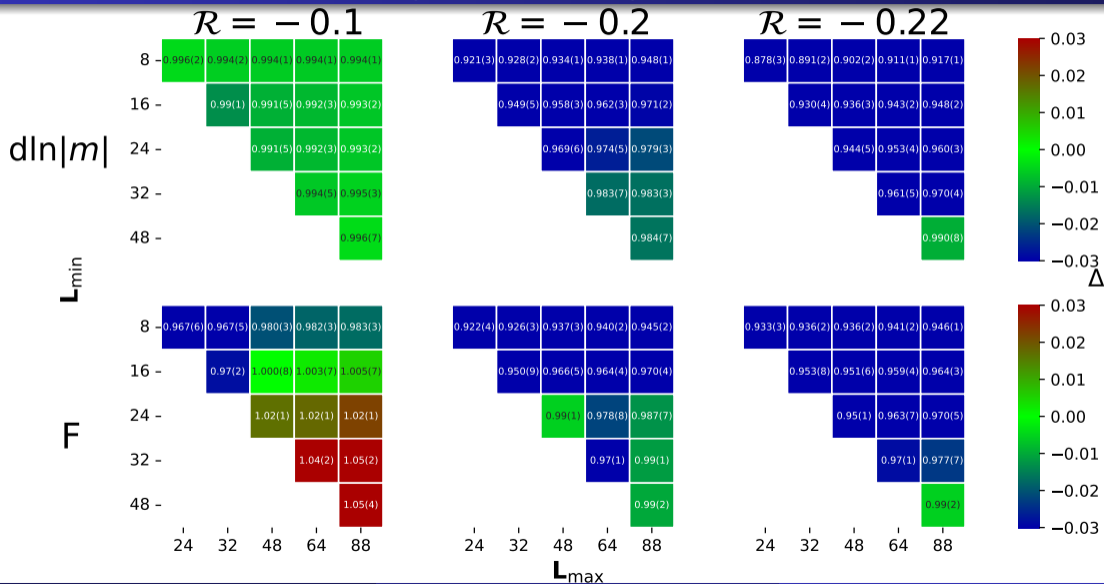


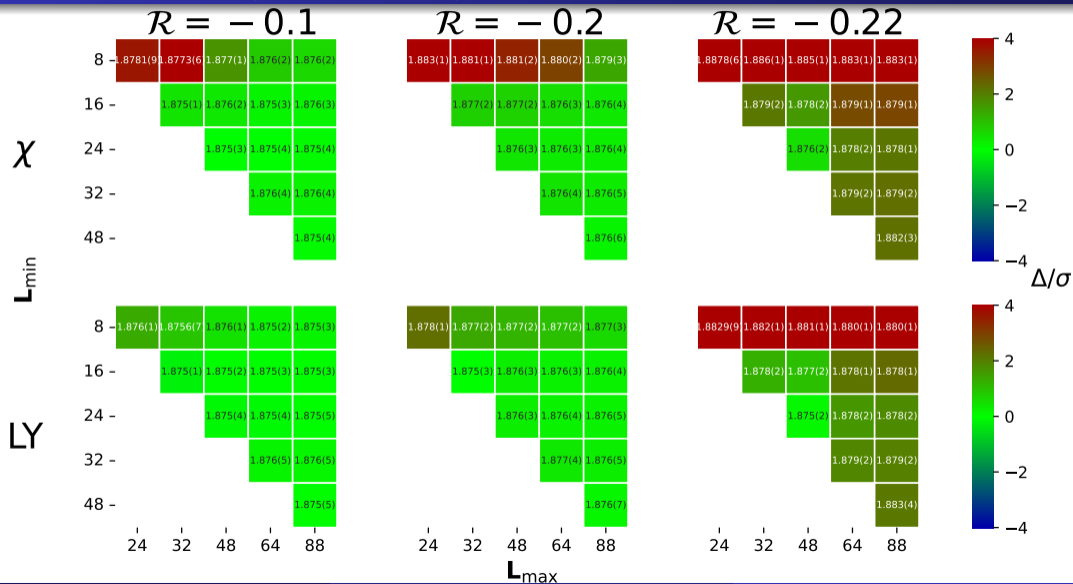
Figure: Same as before but for $L = 16$, and using multi-histogram reweighted PA simulation data instead of exact enumeration.

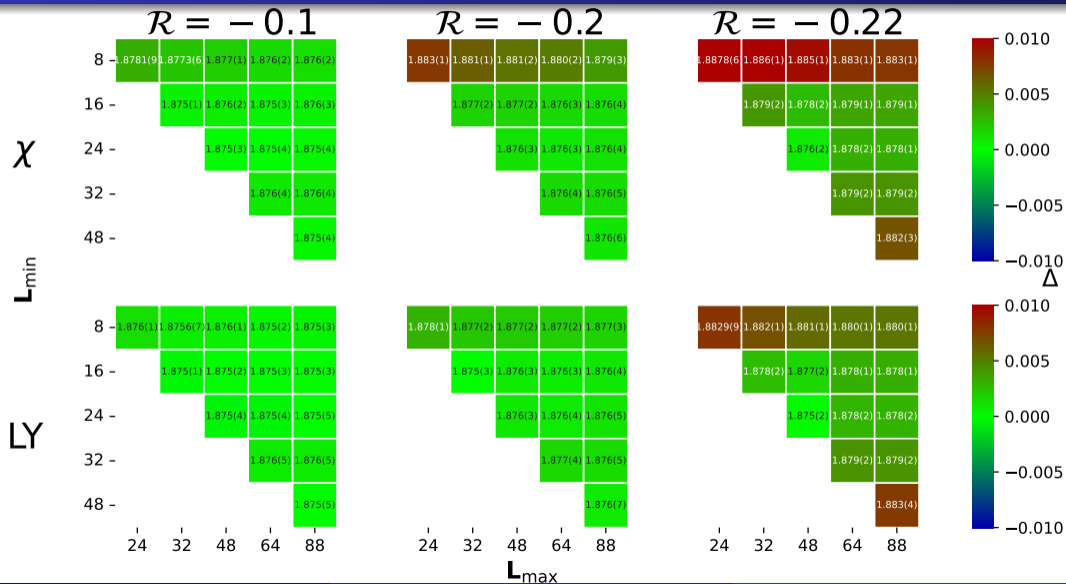
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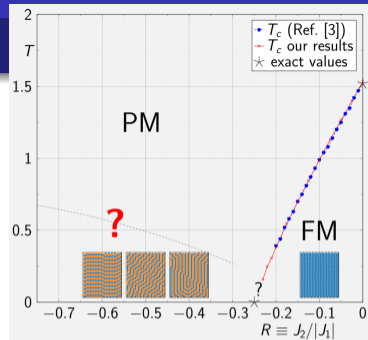
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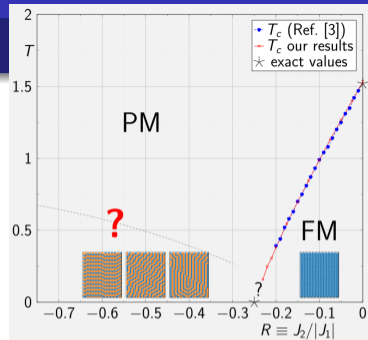
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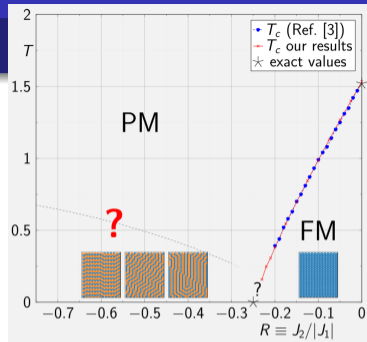
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Outlook (work in progress)

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- Strongly frustrated regime $\mathcal{R} < -0.25$



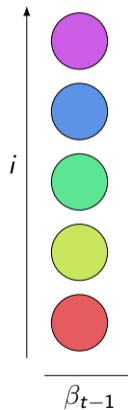
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Questions?

- 6 Backup slides
 - Population Annealing (PA)
 - GPU implementation
 - $L = 4$ checks
 - Checks for larger system sizes
 - Regime of strong antiferromagnetic next-nearest neighbor interactions

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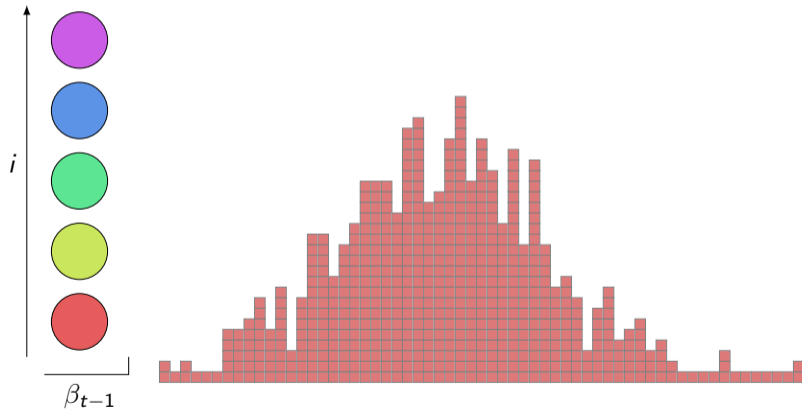
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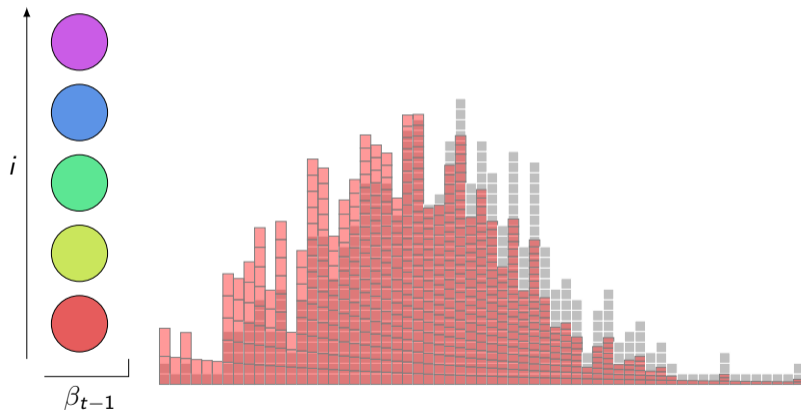
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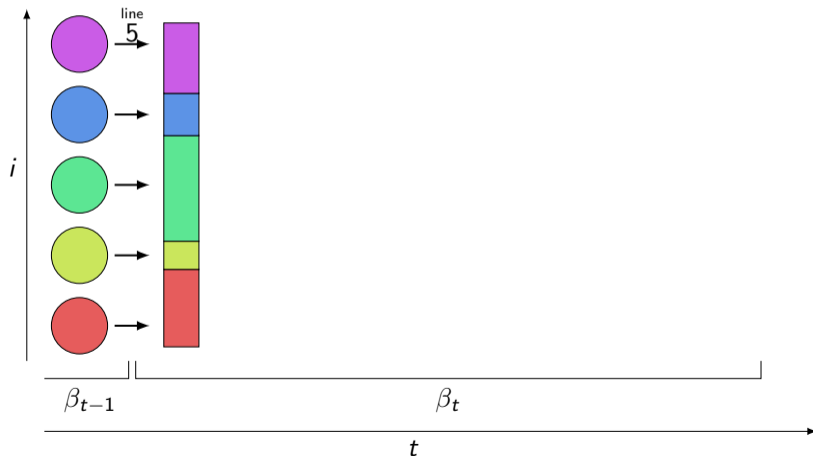
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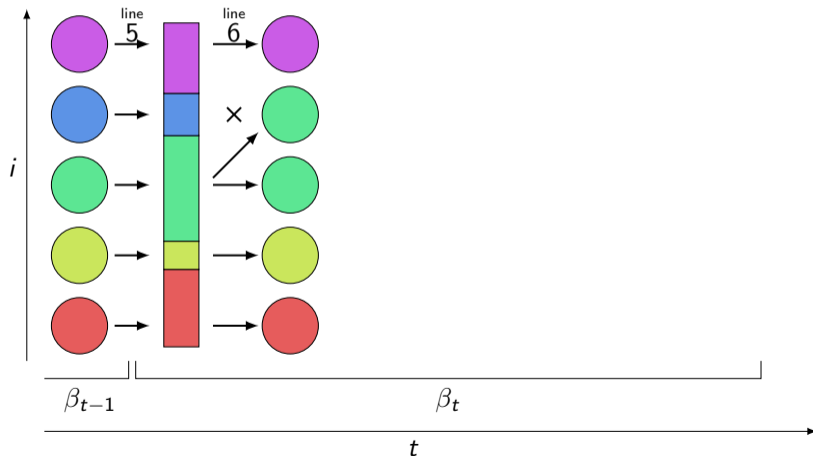
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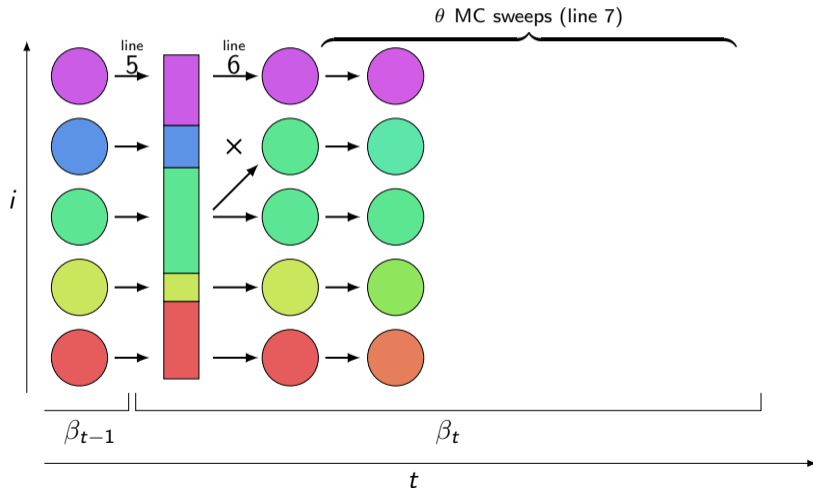
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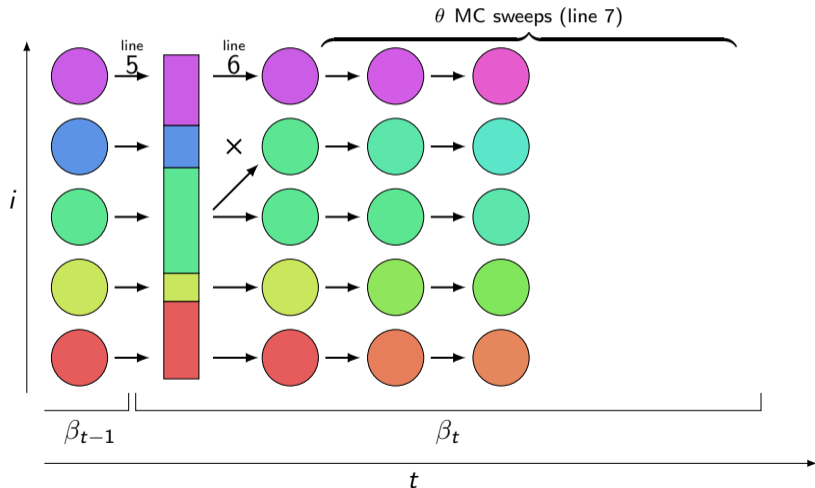
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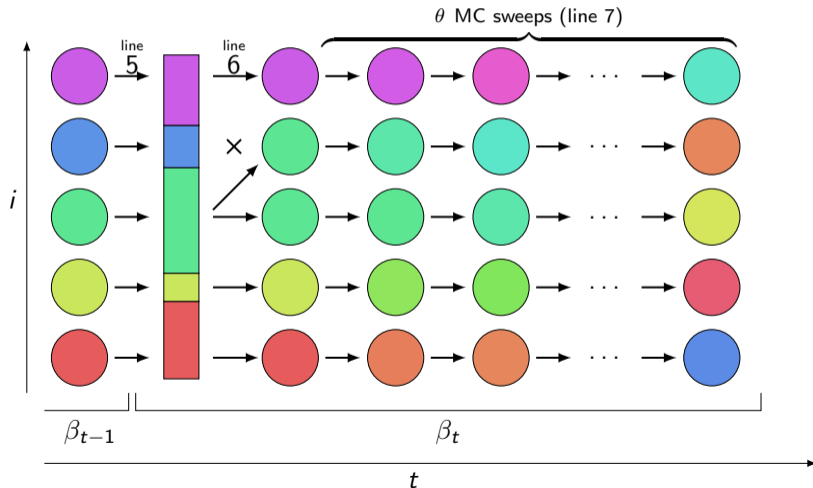


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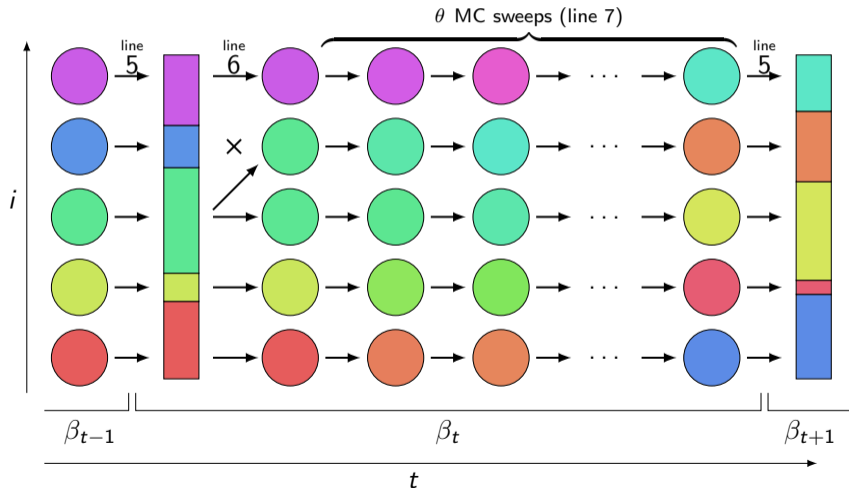
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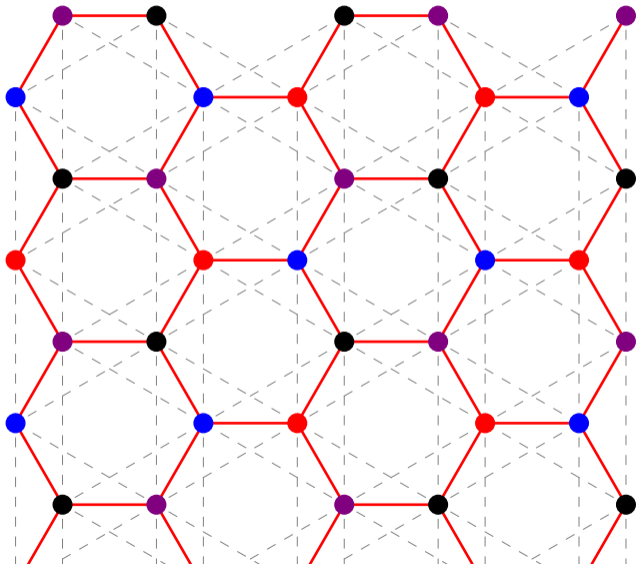


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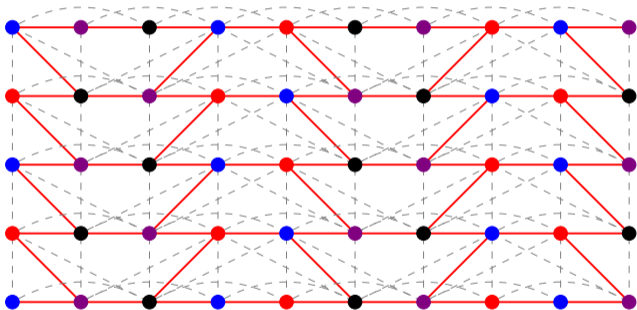
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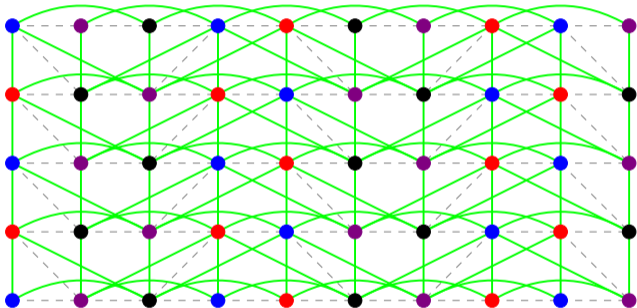
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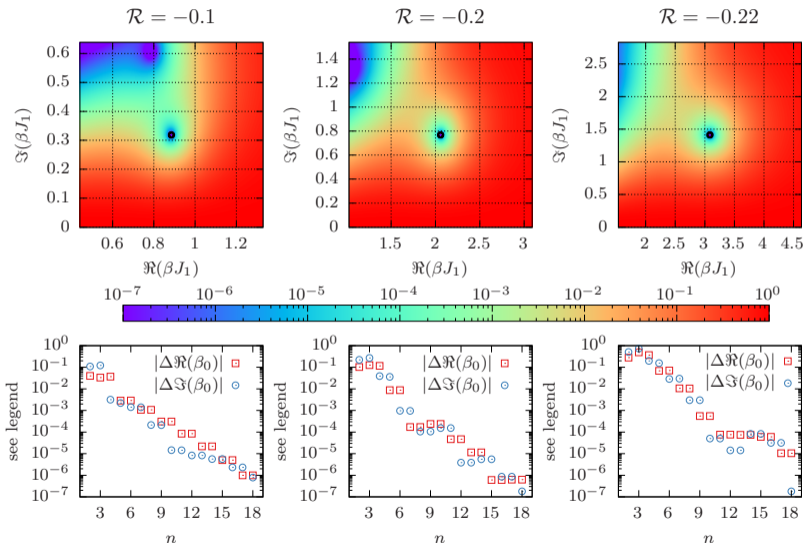
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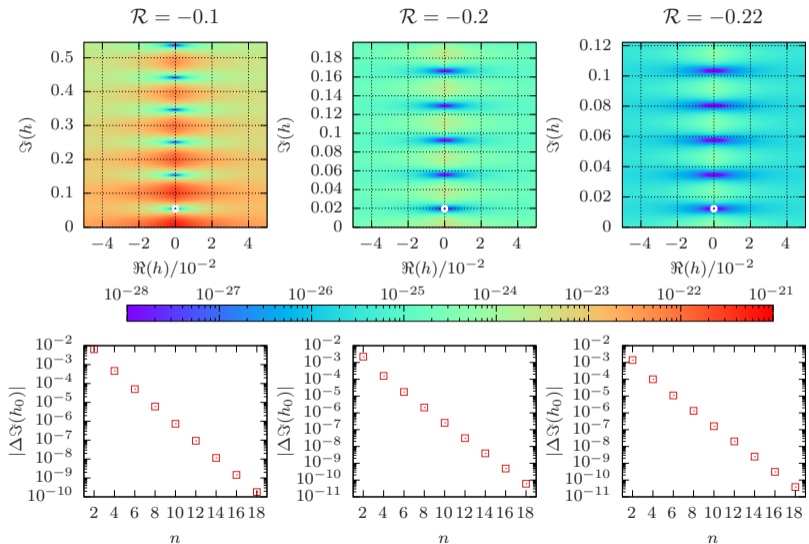
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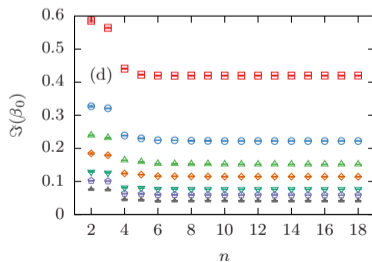
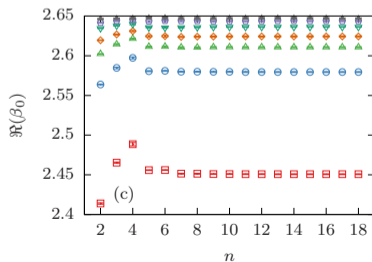
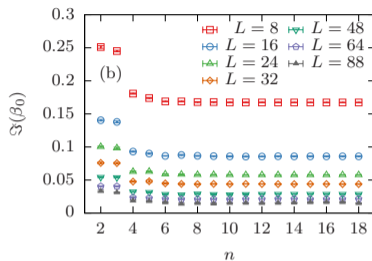
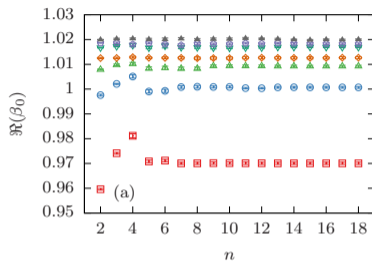


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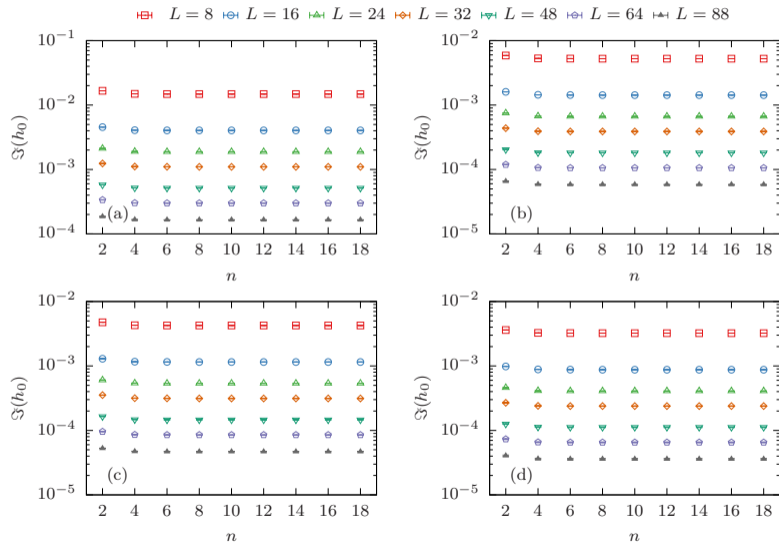


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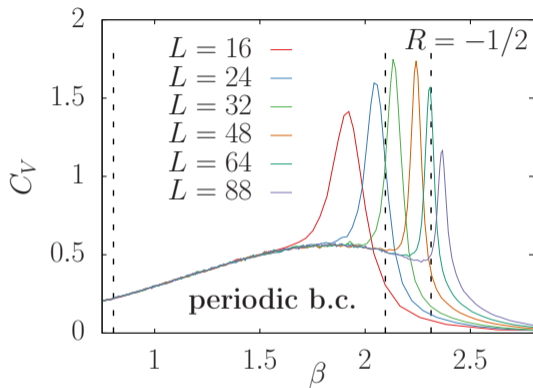


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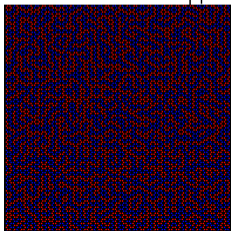
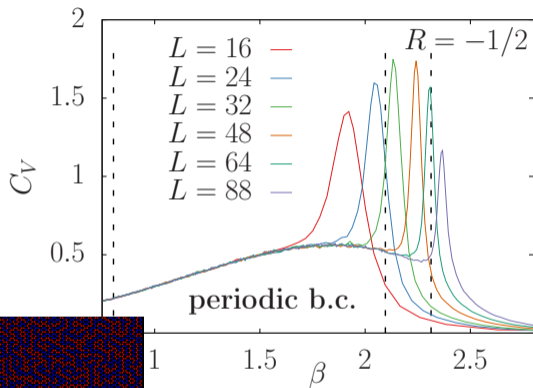


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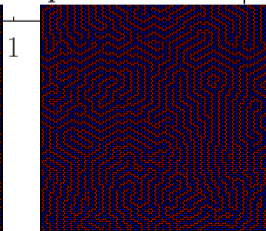
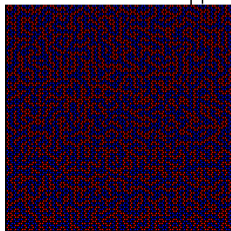
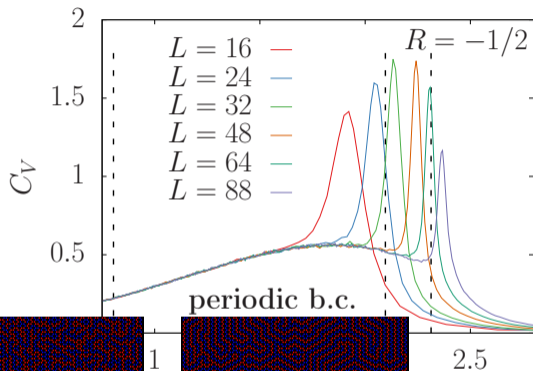


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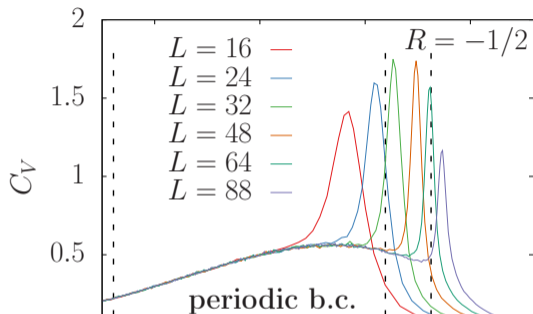
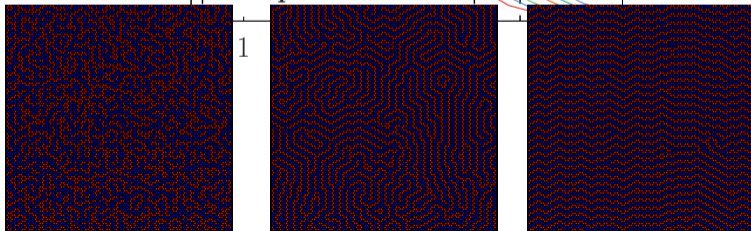


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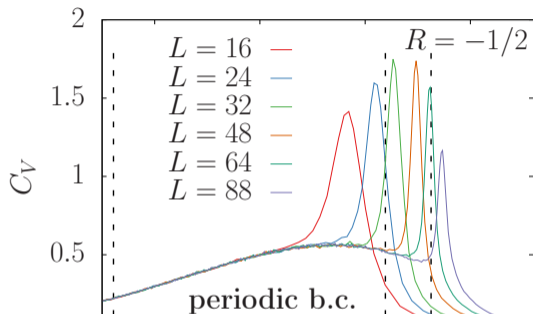
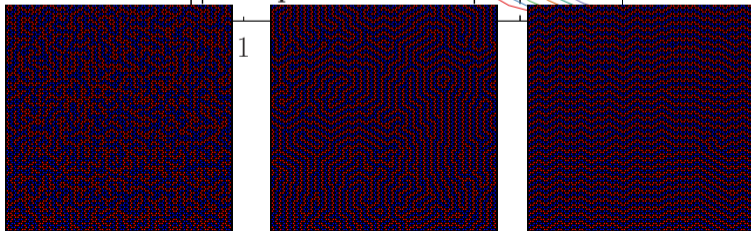


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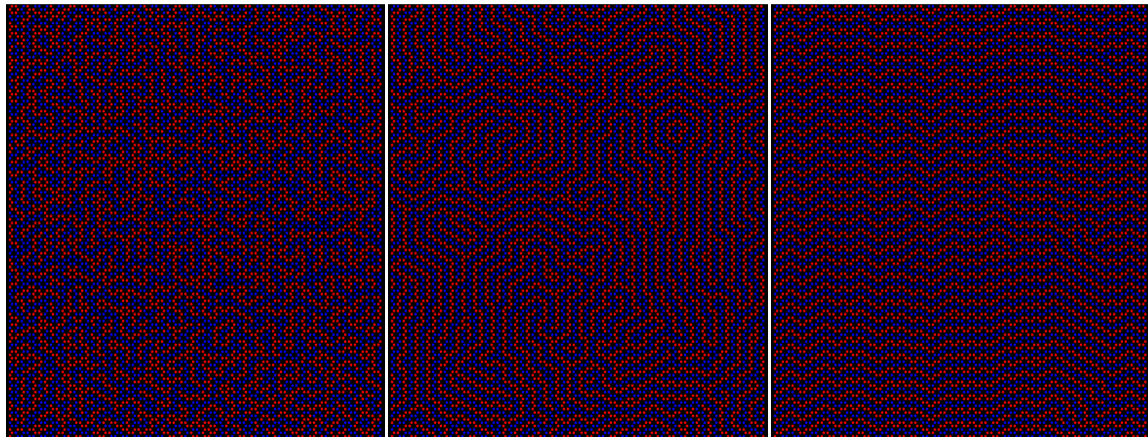


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Specific heat signals II: What about different b.c.

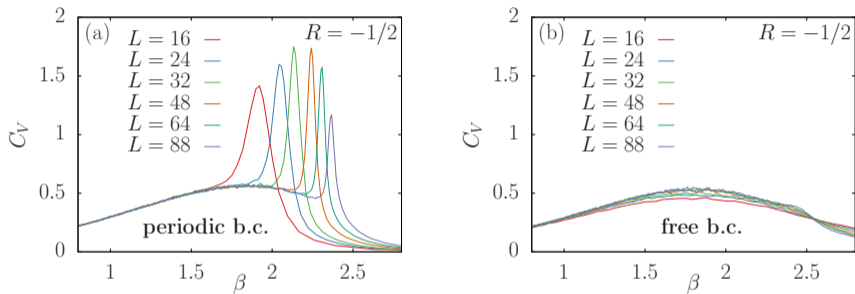


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 - reminiscent of spin glasses ^{[7][8]} ⇒ check autocorrelation and two-time quantities

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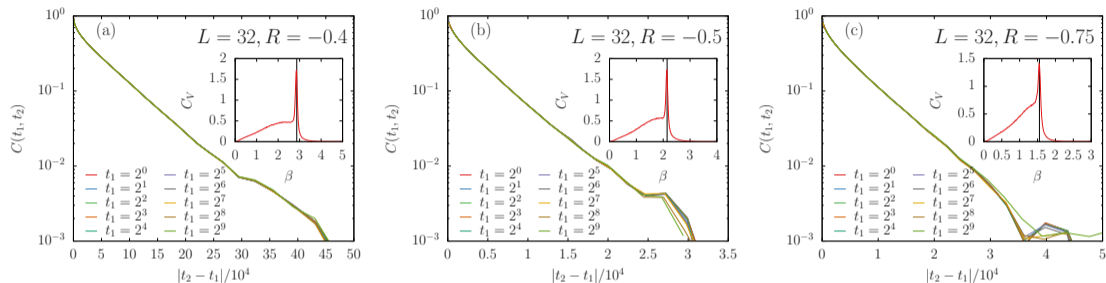


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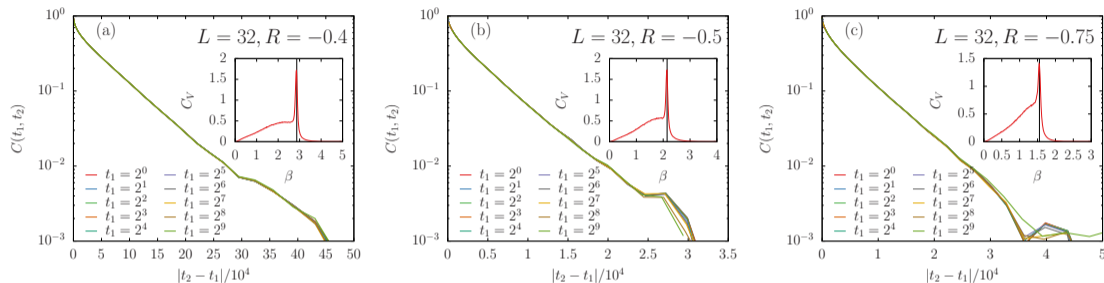


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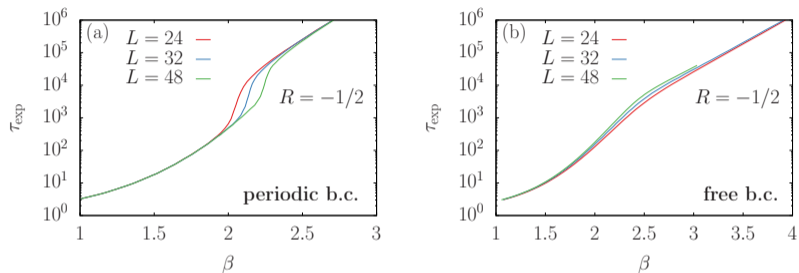


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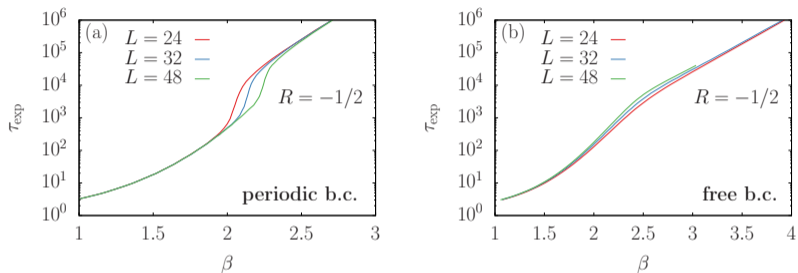


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