

Gauge invariant input to neural network for path optimization method [arXiv:2109.11710](https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.11710)

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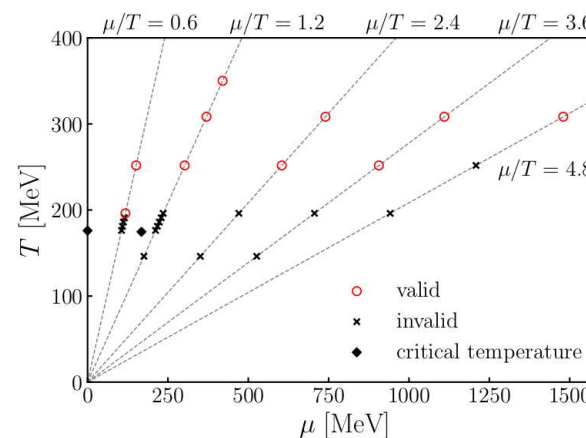
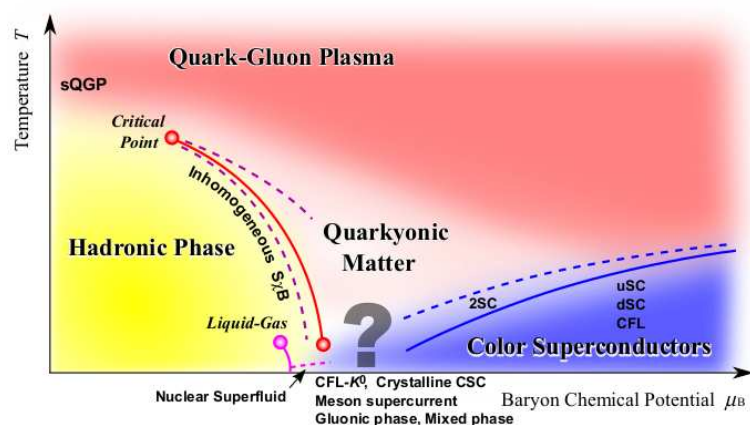
1 Motivation

QCD at high density has been investigated by Complex Langevin Method (CLM)

Sexty(2013), ..., Ito et al. including YN(2020), ... ; See Jaeger's talk(3rd day) and Ziegler's poster

- CLM is sign problem free and low cost
- But, CLM can not cover the whole phase diagram of QCD due to validity condition of CLM (two conditions must be satisfied)
 - ◇ Excursion problem must be under control [Aarts et al.\(2011\)](#)
 - ◇ Singular drift must be under control [Nishimura and Shimasaki\(2015\)](#)
 - ← (Consistency with the boundary term has been confirmed [Scherzer et al.\(2019\)](#))

→ Alternative approach is needed to cover the whole phase diagram



CLM on $24^3 \times 12$

[Fukushima, Hatsuda\(2011\)](#)

[Tsutsui et al. including YN\(coming soon\)](#)

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[List of alternative approaches to QCD at high density]

- Tensor renormalization group method

Levin and Nave(2006), ... ; See Akiyama's talk(1st day)

- Lefschetz thimble method

Witten(2010), ... , Fukuma et al. including YN(2021), ... ; See Fukuma's talk(2nd day)

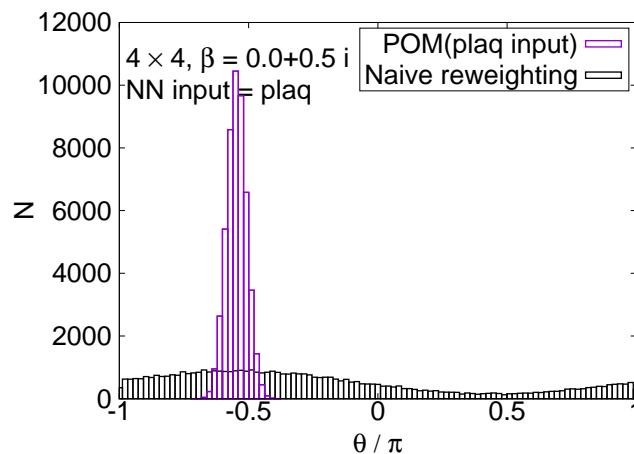
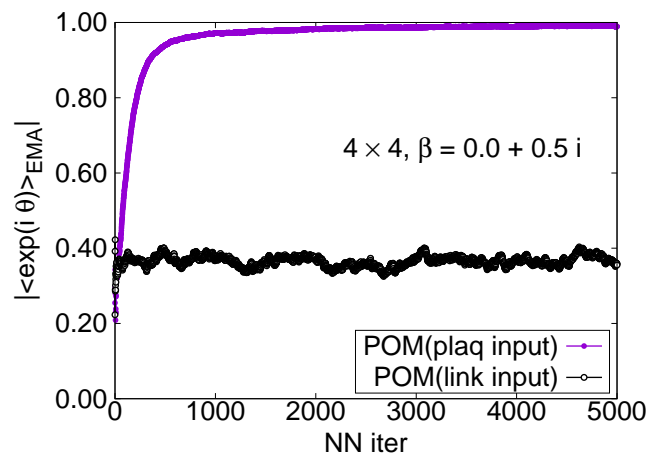
- Sign reweighting method de Forcrand et al.(2003), ... ; See Borsányi's talk(5th day)

- Path optimization method(this talk) Mori et al.(2017), ...

2 Short summary

Path optimization method(POM) [Mori et al.\(2017\),...](#) significantly reduces sign problem in $U(1)$ gauge theory with complex coupling, **if gauge invariant input is employed for neural network(NN)**

- POM is a method which complexifies dynamical variables and deforms the integration path using machine learning to minimize sign problem
 - ◇ **Naive link-variable input to neural network does not work**
 - ◇ We found **gauge invariant input to neural network successfully reduces the sign problem**, as indicated by enhancement of the average phase factor(left panel) and the histogram(right panel)



$$e^{i\theta} := J e^{-S} / |J e^{-S}|$$

$$J := \det(\partial \mathcal{U} / \partial U)$$

\mathcal{U} : complexified link variable

[Path Optimization Method] Mori et al.(2017),...

A Monte Carlo scheme that modifies the integration path to minimize the sign problem by machine learning via neural network

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle := \frac{1}{Z} \int_R DU \mathcal{O} e^{-S[U]} = \frac{1}{Z} \int_C \mathcal{D}\mathcal{U} e^{-S[\mathcal{U}]}$$

\mathcal{O} : observable, Z : partition func, S : action, U : link variable (defined below)

NB. Cauchy's integral theorem ensures this equality

[Neural network]

- **Input(old): link variable** $U_{x,\mu} := e^{igA_\mu(x+\hat{\mu}/2)}$
 g : gauge coupling, $A_\mu(x)$: gauge field $\in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_\mu(x) \in \mathbb{C}$
- **Input(new): gauge invariant plaquette** $P_{x,12} := U_{x,1} U_{x+\hat{1},2} U_{x+\hat{2},1}^{-1} U_{x,2}^{-1}$
- **Output:** $y_x \in \mathbb{R}$, relating to $\mathcal{U}_{x,\mu} = U_{x,\mu} e^{-y_x}$
 \leftarrow Machine learning chooses best y_x which enhances phase factor $e^{i\theta} := J e^{-S} / |J e^{-S}|$,
 $J := \det(\partial\mathcal{U}/\partial U)$

$$y_n = \omega_n F(w_{nj}^{(2)} h_j + b_j), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, 2 \times n_{\text{dof}}$$

$$h_j = F(w_{ji}^{(1)} t_i + b_j), \text{ hidden layer}$$

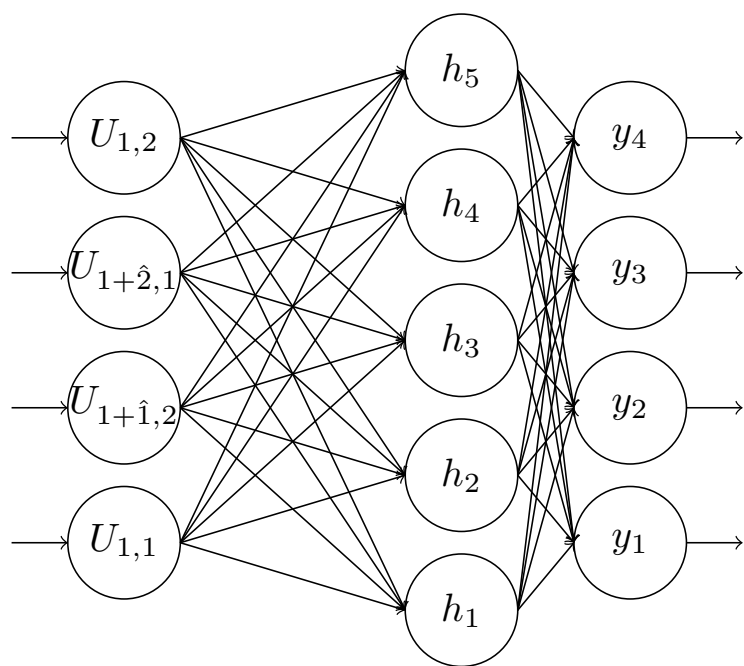
t := input, w, b, ω := parameters of neural network

$F(x) := \tanh(x)$, activation func

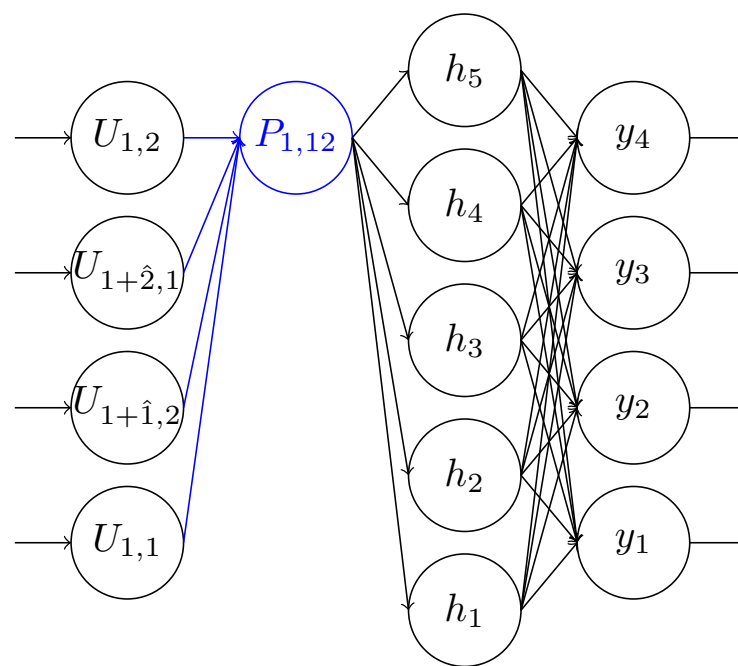
$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{cost}}[y(t)] := |Z| \left(|\langle e^{i\theta(t)} \rangle_{\text{pq}}|^{-1} - 1 \right), \quad \text{pq : phase quenched}$$

[Path Optimization Method(continued)] Mori et al.(2017),...

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(old)



(new)

[Application of POM to 2-dim $U(1)$ gauge theory with complex coupling]

- Sign problem is originated from the complex coupling $\beta = 1/(ga)^2 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
- Analytic result has been obtained
→ Good testbed for new approach [Kashiwa,Mori\(2020\)](#),[Pawlowski et al.\(2021\)](#)

cf. 2-dim $U(1) + \theta$ -term, another type of sign problem, is investigated by tensor renormalization

[Kuramashi and Yoshimura\(2019\)](#) and complex Langevin [Hirasawa et al.\(2020\)](#)

$$S = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_n \left(P_{x,12} + P_{x,12}^{-1} \right)$$

$$\beta = 1/(ga)^2 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$P_{x,12} := U_{x,1} U_{x+\hat{1},2} U_{x+\hat{2},1}^{-1} U_{x,2}^{-1}$$

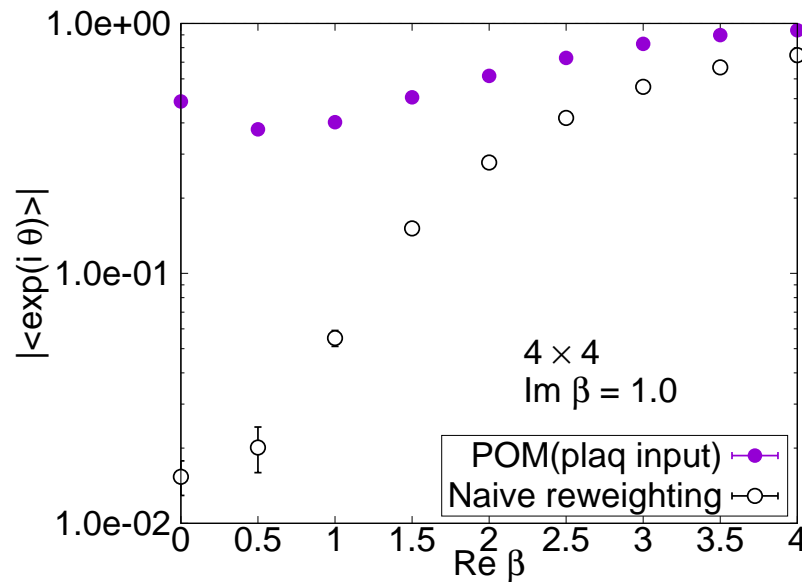
[Analytic result] [Wiese\(1988\)](#),...

$$Z := \int dU e^{-S} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} I_n(\beta)^V$$

$$I_n(\beta) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\phi e^{\beta \cos \phi - in\phi}$$

[$U(1)$ gauge theory with complex coupling]

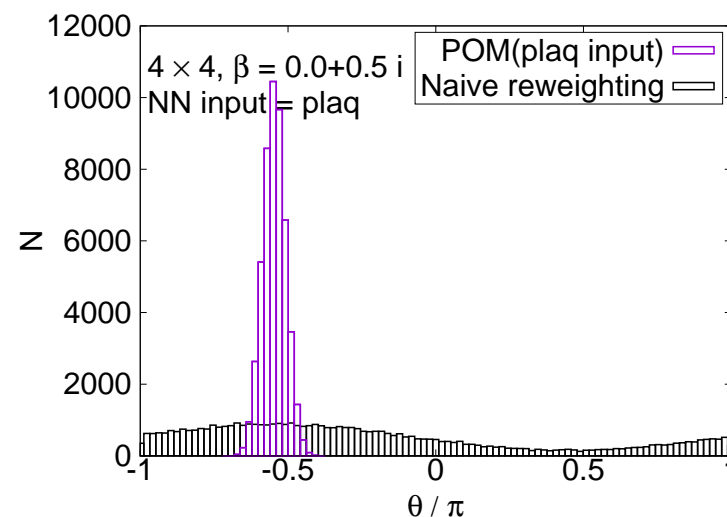
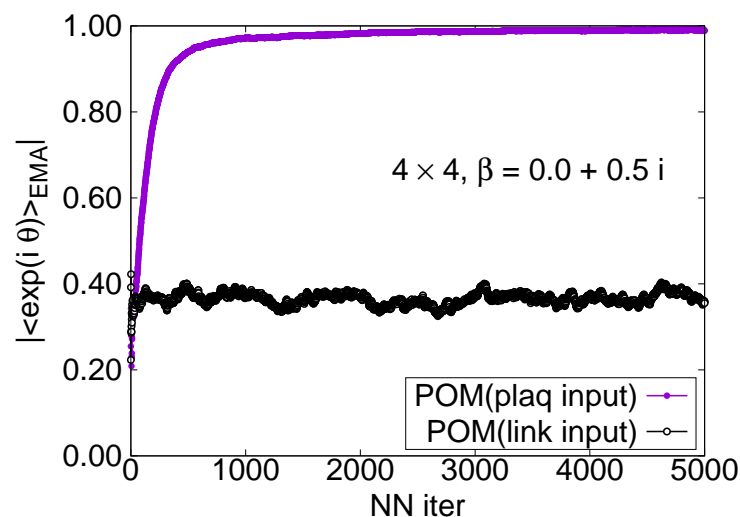
- Pure imaginary coupling $\beta = 1/(ga)^2 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ mimics the case of real-time action $\exp(iS)$, instead of $\exp(-S_E)$
 - ◇ Pure imaginary $\exp(iS)$ leads to the severest sign problem
← We challenge this case by path optimization method(POM)
- ($|\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle|$ is an indicator of sign problem: $|\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle| = 1$ for mild, $|\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle| = 0$ for severe)



3 Simulation result

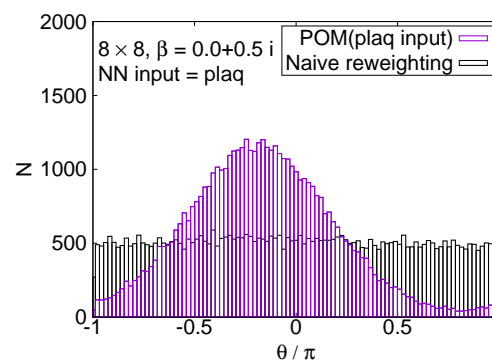
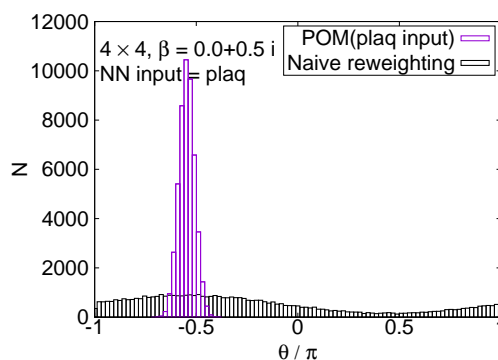
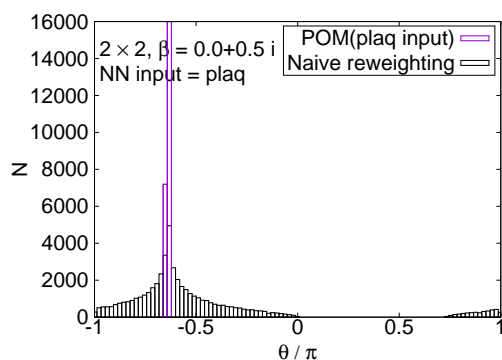
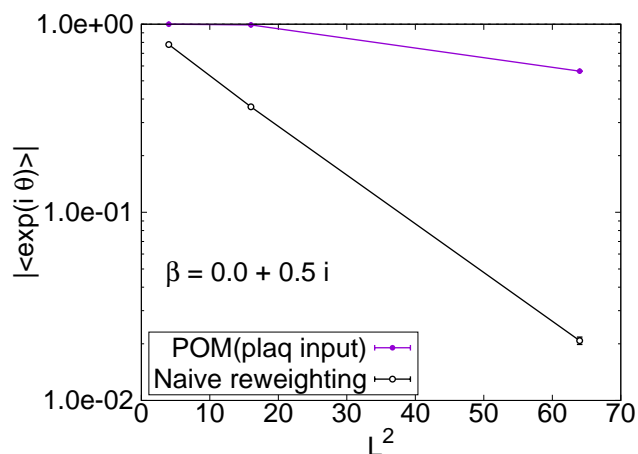
[Neural network iteration dependence of average phase factor]

- Neural network with gauge invariant input successfully enhances average phase factor $\langle \exp(i\theta) \rangle$ (an indicator of sign problem), though naive link-variable input fails
 - ◇ Similar enhanced result can be obtained by fixing gauge completely, in expense of additional cost for gauge fixing
- The enhancement is clearly observed in histogram of the phase data



[Volume dependence]

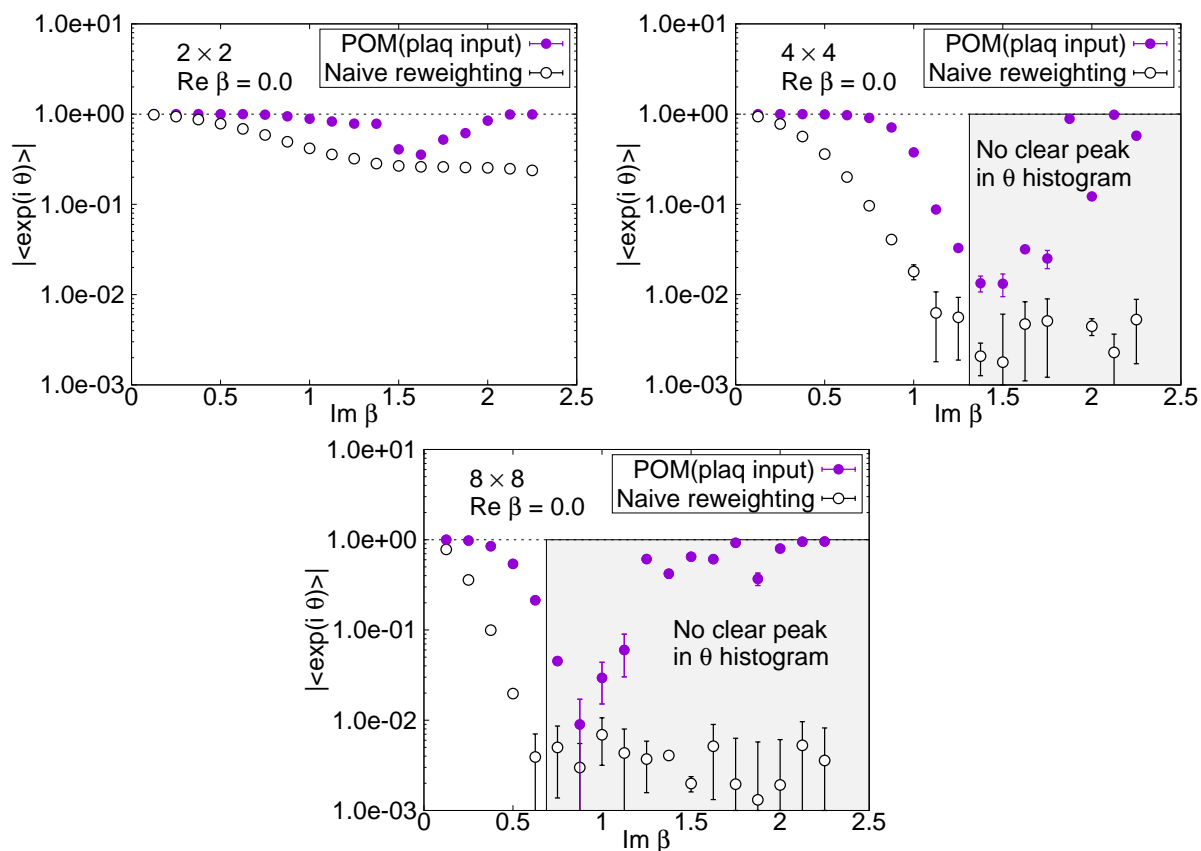
- Enhancement by POM is confirmed in 2×2 , 4×4 , and 8×8 lattices
 - ◇ The enhancement is maximally 550% in the average phase factor
- Enhancement decreases on larger volume
 - ◇ Volume dependence is milder than that of naive reweighting



$[\beta\text{-dependence of } |\langle \exp(i\theta) \rangle |]$

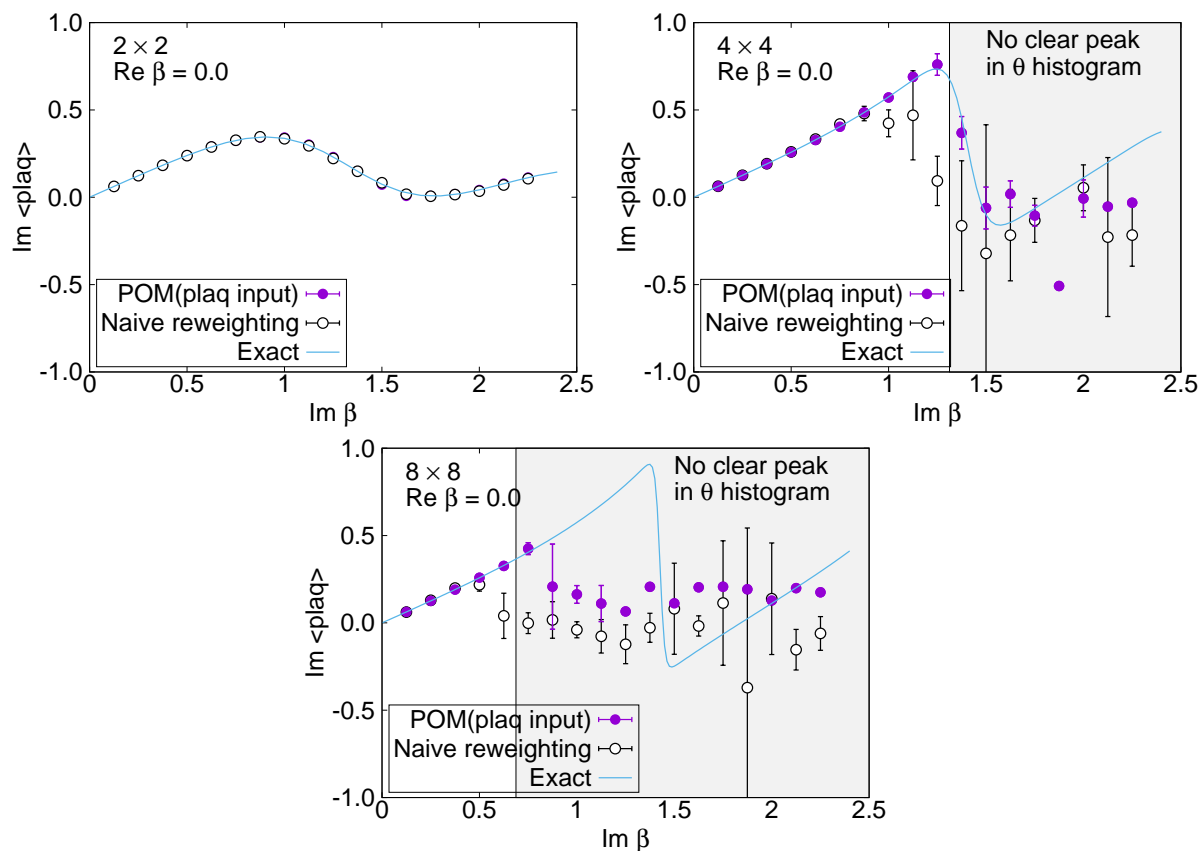
- Clear improvement over the naive reweighting method is observed
- Enhancement of the average phase factor becomes less clear, if we have no clear peak in the histogram of the phases

◇ At high β_i , POM becomes unstable probably due to limitation of statistics and/or multimodality effect



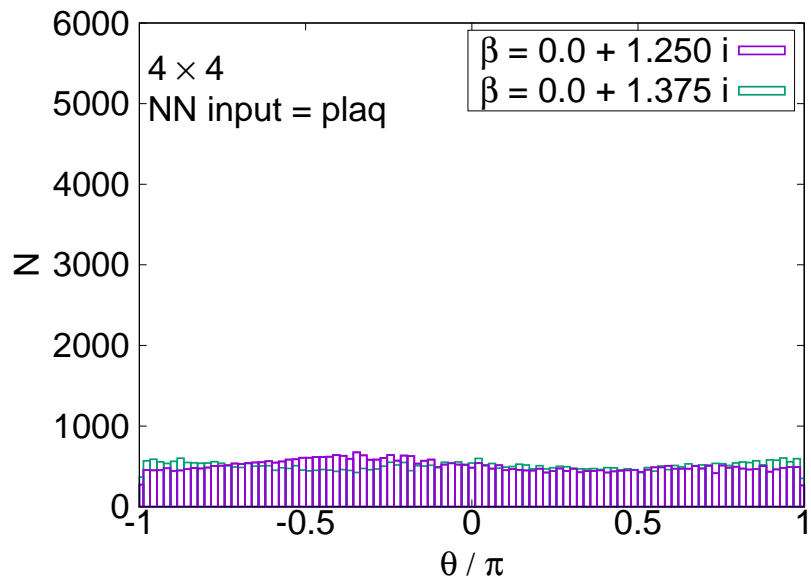
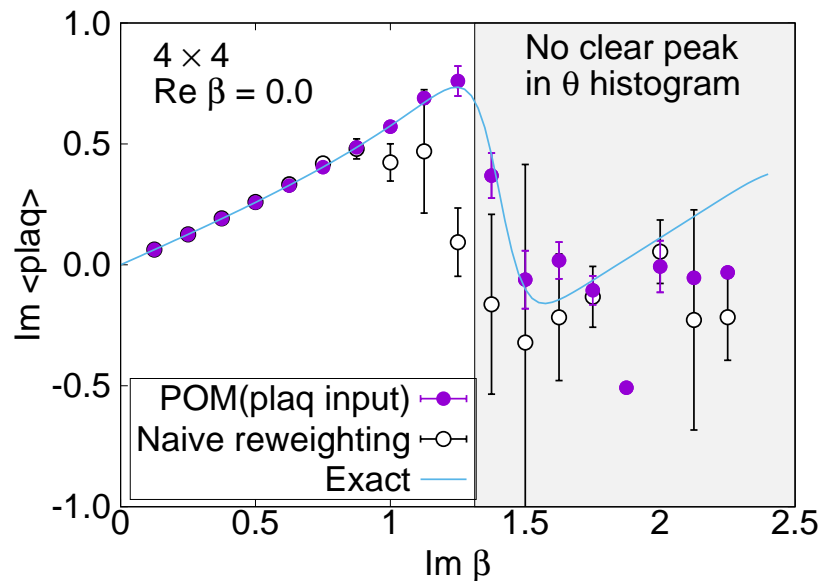
$[\beta\text{-dependence of Im } \langle \text{plaq} \rangle]$

- Results by POM reproduce the exact solution, as long as we find a peak in the histogram of the phases
- Deviations from the exact solution are also observed, if we have no clear peak in the histogram of the phases
 → Further improvement is required especially on larger volumes



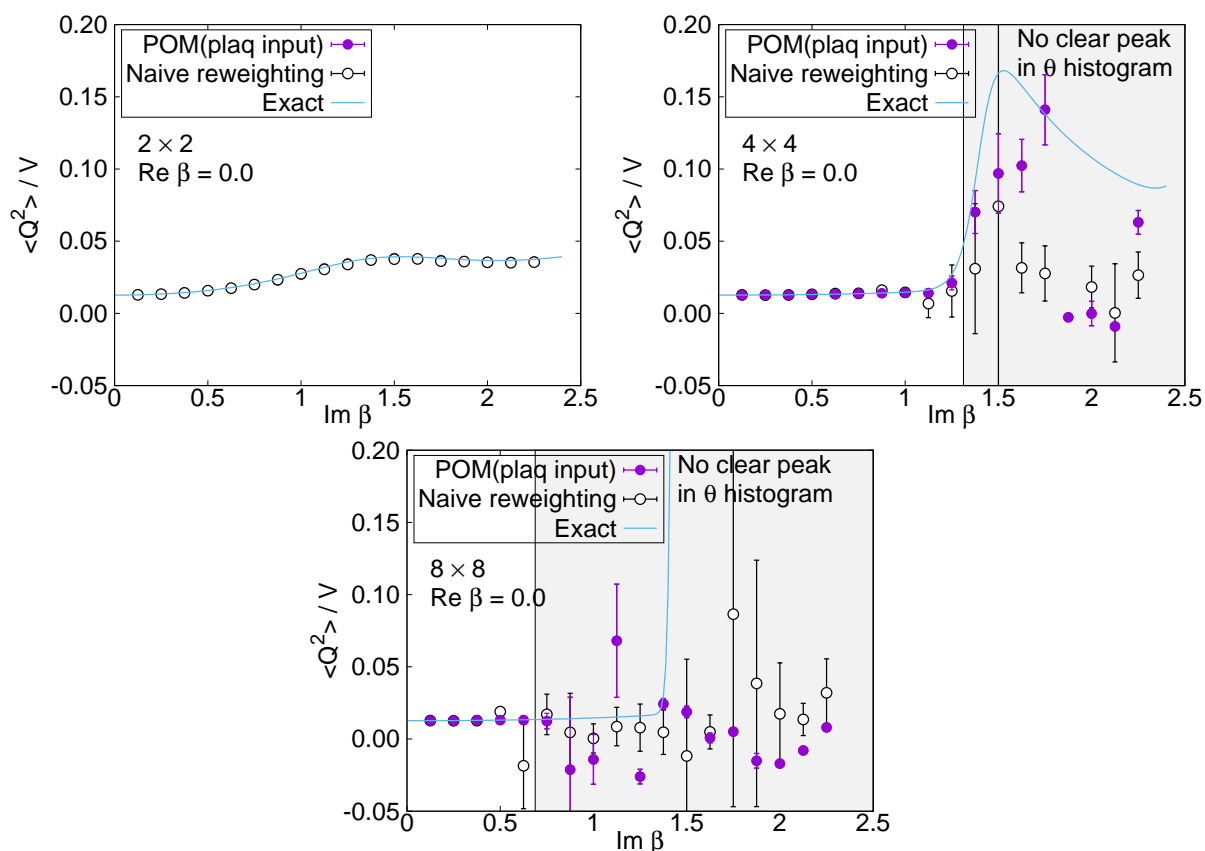
[Histogram of phase around β_c]

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$[\beta\text{-dependence of topological charge}]$

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4 Summary

Path optimization method significantly reduces sign problem in $U(1)$ gauge theory with complex coupling, chosen to be pure imaginary (the severest sign problem region)

- Gauge invariant plaq input successfully reduces sign problem, leading to maximally 550% enhancement of the average phase factor
- For large β_i on large volume, machine learning fails to find a peak in the histogram of phase data \rightarrow Further improvement is needed

[Future direction]

- Use larger Wilson and Polyakov loops as inputs to neural network
- Test other gauge-symmetry respecting neural networks [Favoni et al.\(2020\)](#), [Tomiya and Nagai\(2021\)](#), combination of path optimization with action optimization [Tsutsui and Doi\(2015,2017\)](#), [Lawrence\(2020\)](#)
 - ◇ Try larger volumes (severer sign problem), finite density and θ -term (another type of sign problem) with improved POM

Appendix

[Sign problem (overlap problem)]

- Direct Monte Carlo is not possible, because complex part cannot be regarded as probability
- Naive reweighting suffers from severe cancellation between denominator and numerator
→ Required #data blows up exponentially as the system size with the degrees of freedom N_{dof} increases

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\langle \mathcal{O} e^{-i\text{Im}S} \rangle_{\text{pq}}}{\langle e^{-i\text{Im}S} \rangle_{\text{pq}}}, \quad \langle f(z) \rangle_{\text{pq}} := (1/Z_R) \int d\mathcal{U} f(z) e^{-\text{Re}S}$$
$$\approx \frac{e^{-O(N_{\text{dof}})} \pm O(1/\sqrt{N_{\text{data}}})}{e^{-O(N_{\text{dof}})} \pm O(1/\sqrt{N_{\text{data}}})}$$

$$\therefore e^{-O(N_{\text{dof}})} \gg O(1/\sqrt{N_{\text{data}}}) \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad N_{\text{data}} \gg e^{O(N_{\text{dof}})}$$