

# *Path optimization for the sign problem in low-dimensional QCD and QCD effective models at finite density*

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**Y. Mori (PhD stu.)    K. Kashiwa    AO (11 yrs ago)**

- *1D integral: Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PRD 96 ('17), 111501(R) [arXiv:1705.05605]*
- *$\phi^4$  w/ NN: Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PTEP 2018 ('18), 023B04 [arXiv:1709.03208]*
- *Lat 2017: AO, Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, EPJ Web Conf. 175 ('18), 07043 [arXiv:1712.01088]*
- *NJL thimble: Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PLB 781('18), 698 [arXiv:1705.03646]*
- *PNJL w/ NN: K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, PRD 99 ('19), 014033 [arXiv:1805.08940 [hep-ph]]*
- *PNJL with vector int. using NN: K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, arXiv:1903.03679 [hep-lat]*
- *0+1D QCD: Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, in prep; AO, Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, arXiv:1812.11506 (Lat2018 proc.)*

# The Sign Problem

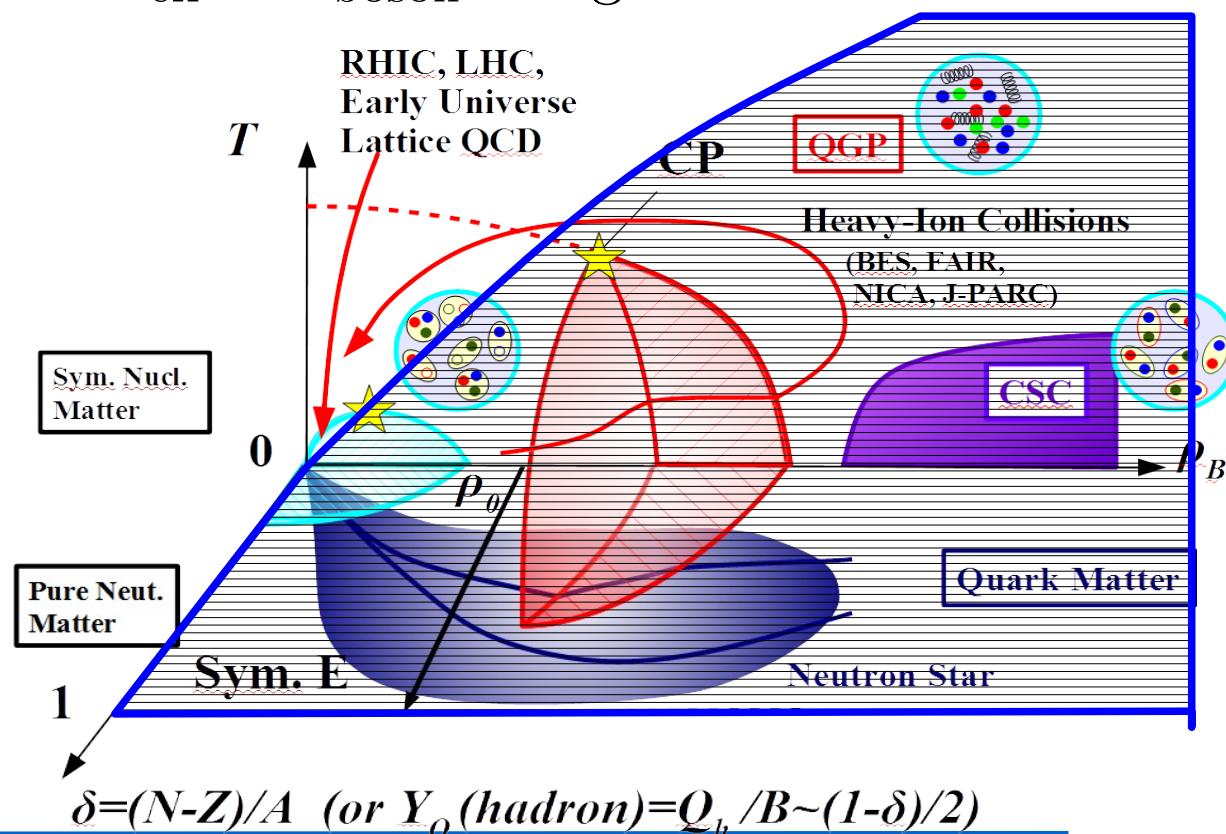
- When the action is complex, strong cancellation occurs in the Boltzmann weight at large volume. = **The Sign Problem**

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}x e^{-S(x)}, \quad |\mathcal{Z}| \ll \mathcal{Z}_{\text{pq}} = \int \mathcal{D}x \left|e^{-S(x)}\right| \quad (\text{at large } V)$$

- Fermion det. is complex at finite density

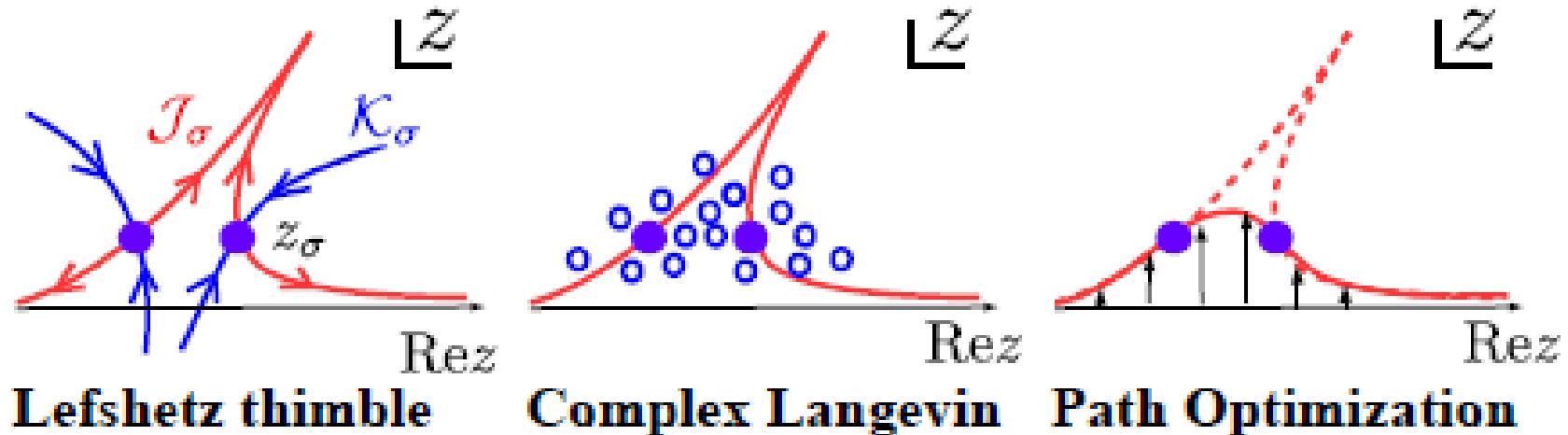
$$\det D(\mu) = (\det D(-\mu^*))^* \rightarrow S_{\text{eff}} = S_{\text{boson}} - \log \det D \in \mathbb{C}$$

- Difficulty in studying finite density in LQCD  
→ Heavy-Ion Collisions, Neutron Star, Binary Neutron Star Mergers, Nuclei, ...



# Approaches to the Sign Problem

- Standard approaches
  - Taylor exp., Imag.  $\mu$  (Analytic cont. / Canonical), Strong coupling
- Integral in Complexified variable space
  - Lefschetz thimble method  
*Witten ('10), Cristoforetti+ (Aurora) ('12), Fujii+ ('13), Alexandru+ ('16).*
  - Complex Langevin method  
*Parisi ('83), Klauder ('83), Aarts+ ('11), Nagata+ ('16); Seiler+ ('13), Ito+ ('16).*
  - Path optimization method  
*Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('17,'18,'19); Kashiwa, Mori, AO ('18,19); AO, Mori, Kashiwa ('18,'19); Alexandru+('18), Bursa, Kroyter ('18)*



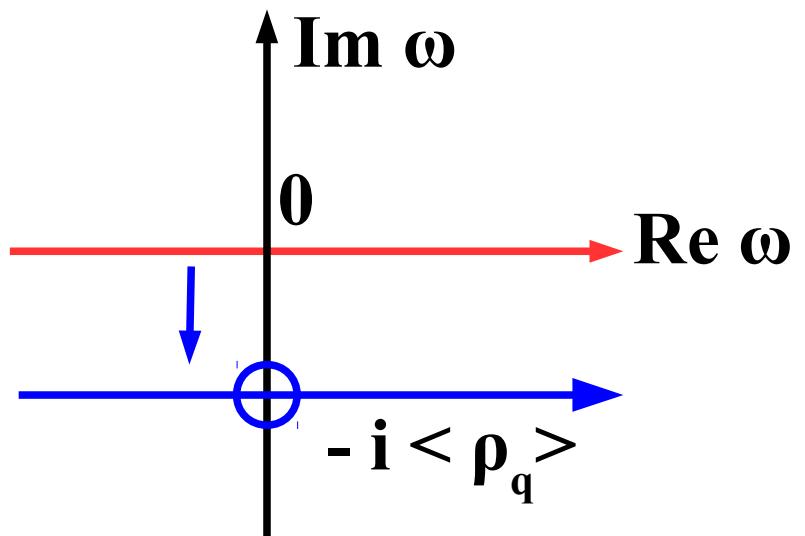
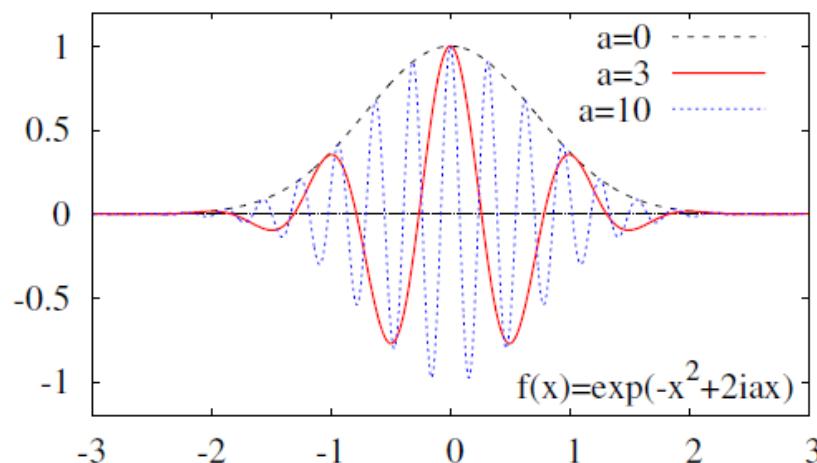
# Integral in Complexified Variable Space

- Simple Example: Gaussian integral (bosonized repulsive int.)  
*Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('18b)*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} d\omega e^{-\omega^2/2 - i\omega\rho_q} = \int_{\mathbb{R} + i\rho_q} d\omega e^{-\frac{(\omega + i\rho_q)^2}{2} - \frac{\rho_q^2}{2}}$$

$\downarrow z$

$$= \exp(-\rho_q^2/2) \int_{\mathbb{R}} dz e^{-z^2/2}$$



**Complexified variable methods**  
= Extension of the saddle point integral

# Lefschetz thimble & Complex Langevin methods

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## ■ Lefschetz thimble method

*Witten ('10), Cristoforetti+ (Aurora) ('12), Fujii+ ('13), Alexandru+ ('16).*

- Flow eq. from a fixed point  $\sigma \rightarrow$  thimble ( $\text{Im}(S)=\text{const.}$ )

$$\mathcal{J}_\sigma : \frac{dz_i(t)}{dt} = \overline{\left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial z_i} \right)} \rightarrow \frac{dS}{dt} = \sum_i \left| \frac{\partial S}{\partial z_i} \right|^2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \sum_\sigma n_\sigma \mathcal{J}_\sigma$$

- Problems: Phase of Jacobian, Multimodal prb., Stokes phenomena,  
...

## ■ Complex Langevin method

*Parisi ('83), Klauder ('83), Aarts+ ('11), Nagata+ ('16); Seiler+ ('13), Ito+ ('16).*

- Complex Langevin eq.  $\rightarrow$  Configs.

$$\frac{dz_i}{dt} = - \frac{\partial S}{\partial z_i} + \eta_i(t) (\eta_i : \text{White noize}), \quad \langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}(z) \rangle$$

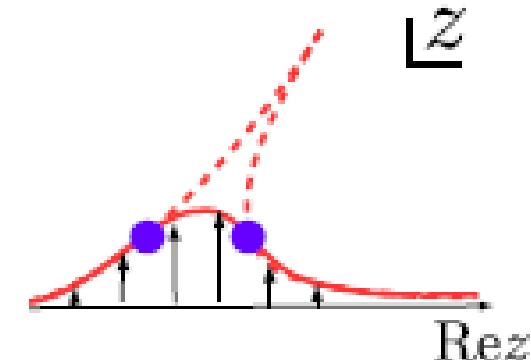
- Problems: Wrong conversion, Boundary terms, ...

# *Path optimization method*

Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('17,'18,'19); Kashiwa, Mori, AO ('18,19);  
AO, Mori, Kashiwa ('18,'19); Alexandru+('18), Bursa, Kroyter ('18)

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- Integration path is optimized to evade the sign problem, i.e. to enhance the average phase factor.



Path Optimization

$$\text{APF} = \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{pq} = \int dx e^{-S} / \int dx |e^{-S}| = \mathcal{Z} / \mathcal{Z}_{pq}$$

## *Sign Problem → Optimization Problem*

- Cauchy(-Poincare) theorem: the partition fn. is invariant if
  - the Boltzmann weight  $W=\exp(-S)$  is holomorphic (analytic), and the path does not go across the poles and cuts of  $W$ .
- $S$  is singular but  $W$  is not singular when fermion det.=0.

# *Application of POM to Field Theory*

- **Cost function:** a measure of the seriousness of the sign problem.

$$\mathcal{F}[z(x)] = |\mathcal{Z}| \left( |\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{pq}|^{-1} - 1 \right)$$

- **Optimization:** Gradient Descent or Neural Network

- Neural network = Combination of linear and non-linear transf.

$$a_i = g(\underline{W}_{ij}^{(1)} x_j + \underline{b}_i^{(1)}) \text{ **variational** parameters}$$

$$f_i = g(\underline{W}_{ij}^{(2)} a_j + \underline{b}_i^{(2)})$$

$$z_i = x_i + i(\underline{\alpha}_i f_i(x) + \underline{\beta}_i)$$

$$g(x) = \tanh x \text{ (activation fn.)}$$

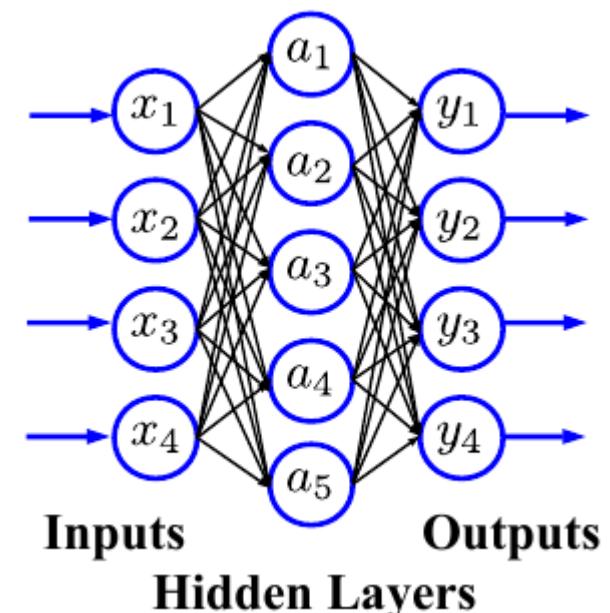
- Universal approximation theorem

Any fn. can be reproduced

at (hidden layer unit #)  $\rightarrow \infty$

G. Cybenko, MCSS 2 ('89) 303

K. Hornik, Neural networks 4('91) 251



# *Optimization of many parameters*

- Stochastic Gradient Descent method, E.g. ADADELTA algorithm  
*M. D. Zeiler, arXiv:1212.5701*      Grad. Desc. :

## Grad. Desc. :

$$dc_i/dt = -\partial \mathcal{F}/\partial c_i$$

## par. in $(j+1)$ th step

$$c_i^{(j+1)} = c_i^{(j)} - \eta v_i^{(j+1)}$$

## Learning rate

$$v_i^{(j+1)} = \frac{\sqrt{s_i^{(j)} + \epsilon}}{\sqrt{r_i^{(j+1)} + \epsilon}} F_i^{(j)}$$

## mean sq. ave. of v

$$r_i^{(j+1)} = \gamma r_i^{(j)} + (1 - \gamma)(F_i^{(j)})^2$$

## **mean sq. ave. of F**

$$s_i^{(j+1)} = \gamma s_i^{(j)} + (1 - \gamma)(v_i^{(j+1)})^2$$

gradient evaluated in MC (batch training)

## Cost fn.

*Machine learning*  
~ *Educated algorithm  
to generic problems*

# *Hybrid Monte-Carlo with Neural Network*

## Initial Config. on Real Axis

$$\text{HMC } H(x, p) = \frac{p^2}{2} + \text{Re}S(z(x))$$

Jacobian

→ via Metropolis judge

Do k = 1, Nepoch

Do j = 1, Nconf/Nbatch

## Mini-batch training of Neural Network

$$c_i^{(j+1)} = c_i^{(j)} - \eta v_i^{(j+1)}$$

## Grad. wrt parameters (Nbatch configs.)

$$F_i = \frac{1}{N_{\text{batch}}} \sum_n \partial \mathcal{F}(n) / \partial c_i$$

## New Nbatch configs. by HMC

$$H(x, p) = \frac{p^2}{2} + \text{Re}S(z(x))$$

Enddo

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Nbatch ~ 10, Nconfig ~ 10,000, Nepoch ~ (10-20)

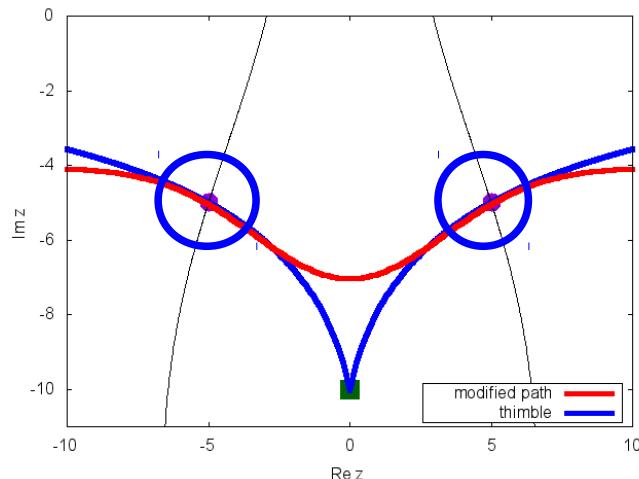
# Benchmark test (1): 1 dim. integral

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dx (x + i\alpha)^p \exp(-x^2/2)$$

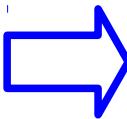
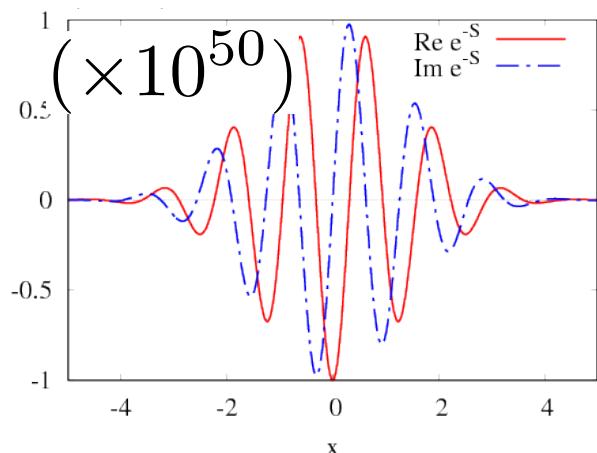
J. Nishimura, S. Shimasaki ('15)

## Gaussian+Gradient Descent

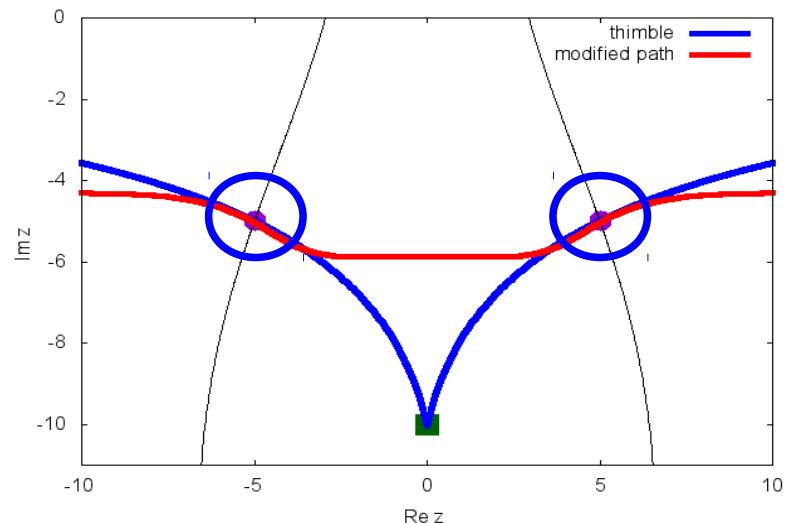
Im z  
Re z



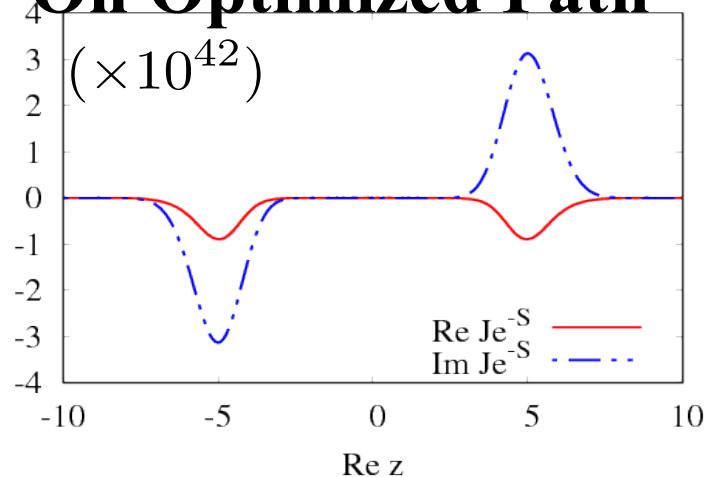
## On Real Axis



## Neural Network



## On Optimized Path



Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('17); AO, Mori, Kashiwa (Lat 2017)

# Benchmark test (2): Complex $\phi^4$ theory at finite $\mu$

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- Complex Langevin & Lefschetz thimble work.  
*G. Aarts, PRL102('09)131601; H. Fujii, et al., JHEP 1310 (2013) 147*

- How about POM ?

- 1+1D Complex  $\phi^4$  theory

*Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PTEP 2018 ('18), 023B04 [arXiv:1709.03208]*

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^* \phi - \lambda (\phi^* \phi)^2$$

$$S = \sum_x \left[ \frac{(4+m^2)}{2} \phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x} + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x})^2 - \phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x+\hat{1}}$$

$$- \cosh \mu \phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x+\hat{0}} + i \epsilon_{ab} \sinh \mu \phi_{a,x} \phi_{b,x+\hat{0}} \right]$$

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$$\left( \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\underline{\phi_1} + i \underline{\phi_2}) \right)$$

complex

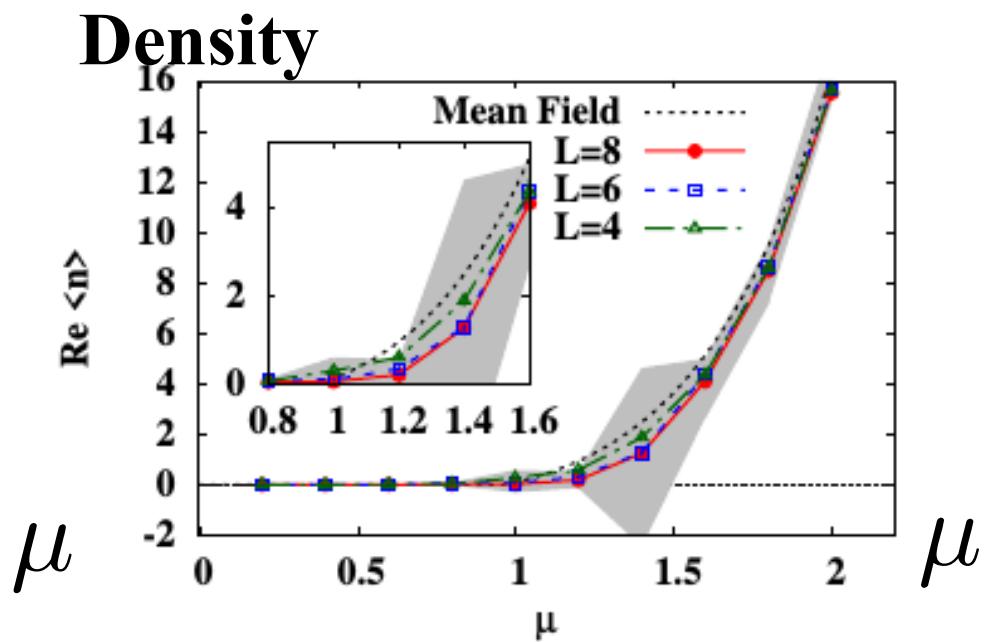
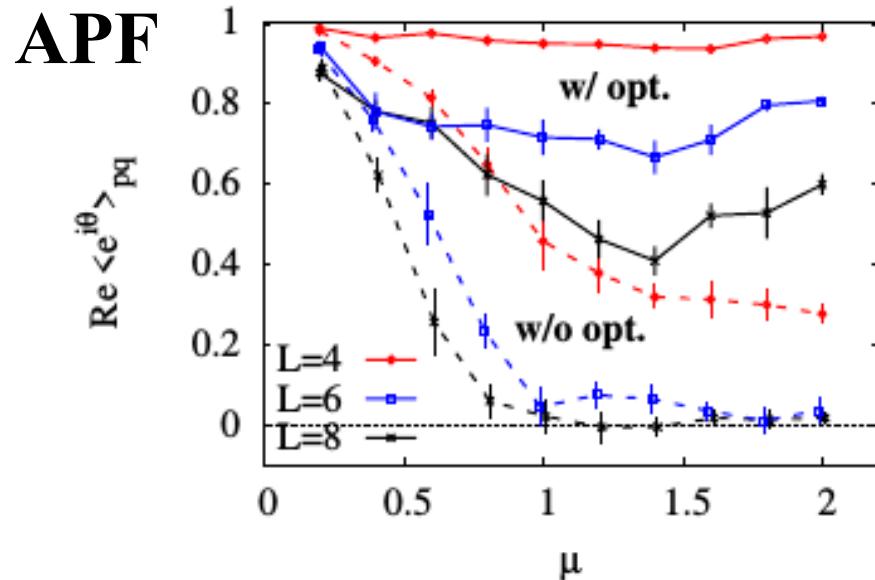
Complexify

# POM in 1+1D $\phi^4$ theory

## ■ POM for 1+1D $\phi^4$ theory

*Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PTEP 2018 ('18), 023B04 [arXiv:1709.03208]*

- $4^2, 6^2, 8^2$  lattices,  $\lambda=m=1$
- $\mu_c \sim 0.96$  in the mean field approximation



*POM also works !*

- *Enhancement of the APF after optimization.*
- *Density is suppressed at  $\mu < m$ . (Silver Blaze)*

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*Path Optimization Method w/ Neural Network  
seems to work in 1D integral and simple field theories.*

*How about gauge theory ?  
What happens when phase transition occurs ?*

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## ■ Application to gauge theory: 1-dimensional QCD

*Mori, K Kashiwa, AO, in prep.*

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## ■ Application to QCD effective models

*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, PRD99('19)014033 [1805.08940]*

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## ■ Discussions

## ■ Summary

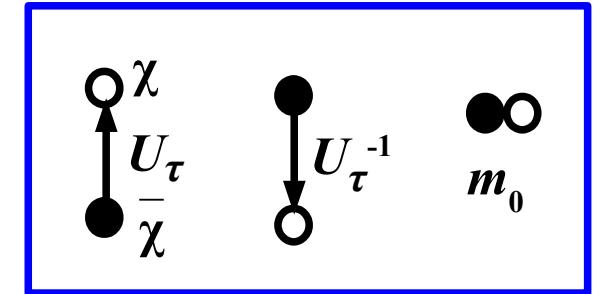
# *Application to Gauge Theory: 1 dimensional QCD*

# 0+1 dimensional QCD

- 0+1 dimensional QCD (1 dim. QCD)  
with one species of staggered fermion on a  $1 \times N_\tau$  lattice

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\tau} \left( \bar{\chi}_\tau e^\mu U_\tau \chi_{\tau+\hat{0}} - \bar{\chi}_{\tau+\hat{0}} e^{-\mu} U_\tau^{-1} \chi_\tau \right)$$

$$+ m \sum_{\tau} \bar{\chi}_\tau \chi_\tau = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\chi} D \chi$$



*Bilic+'88), Ravagli+'07), Aarts+'10, CLM), Bloch+'13, subset),  
Schmidt+'16, LTM), Di Renzo+'17, LTM)*

- A toy model, but includes the actual source of 3+1D QCD sign prob.
- Reduces to a diagonalized one-link problem.

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dU e^{-S} = \int dx_1 dx_2 J \underbrace{\left[ \frac{8}{3\pi^2} \prod_{a < b} \sin^2 \left( \frac{z_a - z_b}{2} \right) \right]}_{\text{Haar measure}} \underbrace{\left[ \prod_a (X_N + 2 \cos(z_a - i\mu)) \right]}_{\exp(-S)}$$

→ Analytic results are known.

# Fermion determinant in 1 dim. QCD

- Fermion determinant (Temporal gauge) reduces to  $N_c \times N_c \det$ .

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} I_1 & e^\mu & 0 & e^{-\mu} U^{-1} \\ -e^{-\mu} & I_2 & e^\mu & \\ 0 & -e^{-\mu} & I_3 & e^\mu \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ -e^\mu U & & & I_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$\updownarrow N_c \times N_\tau$

$$X = \begin{vmatrix} I_1 & e^\mu & 0 & 0 \\ -e^{-\mu} & I_2 & e^\mu & \\ 0 & -e^{-\mu} & I_3 & e^\mu \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & I_N \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\det D = \det \left[ X \otimes 1_c + (-1)^{N_\tau} e^{\mu/T} U + e^{-\mu/T} U^{-1} \right]$$

$\updownarrow N_c \quad I_k = 2m_q(\mathbf{x}, \tau_k)$

- For constant  $\sigma$ ,  $X$  is obtained as

$$X = 2 \cosh(E/T)$$

$$E = \operatorname{arcsinh} m_q$$

$$\rightarrow \int dU \det D = \frac{\sinh[(N_c + 1)E/T]}{\sinh(E/T)} + 2 \cosh(N_c \mu/T)$$

# Partition Function in 1 dim. QCD

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## ■ Partition Function

$$D = X + e^{\mu/T} U + e^{-\mu/T} U^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Z} &= \int dU \det D(U) = \frac{\sinh[(N_c + 1)E/T]}{\sinh(E/T)} + 2 \cosh(N_c \mu/T) \\ &= X^3 - 2X + 2 \cosh(N_c \mu/T) \quad (N_c = 3)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\det D &= X^3 + N_c X (N_c \bar{P}_U P_U - 1) + 2 \cosh(N_c \mu/T) \\ &\quad + N_c X^2 (e^{\mu/T} P_U + e^{-\mu/T} \bar{P}_U) + N_c X (e^{2\mu/T} \bar{P}_U + e^{-2\mu/T} P_U) \\ &\quad + N_c e^{\mu/T} (N_c \bar{P}_U^2 - 2P_U) + N_c e^{-\mu/T} (N_c P_U^2 - 2\bar{P}_U) \\ (N_c &= 3, P_U = \text{tr } U / N_c, \int dU \bar{P}_U P_U = 1/N_c^2)\end{aligned}$$

## ■ Chiral condensate, Quark number density, Polyakov loop

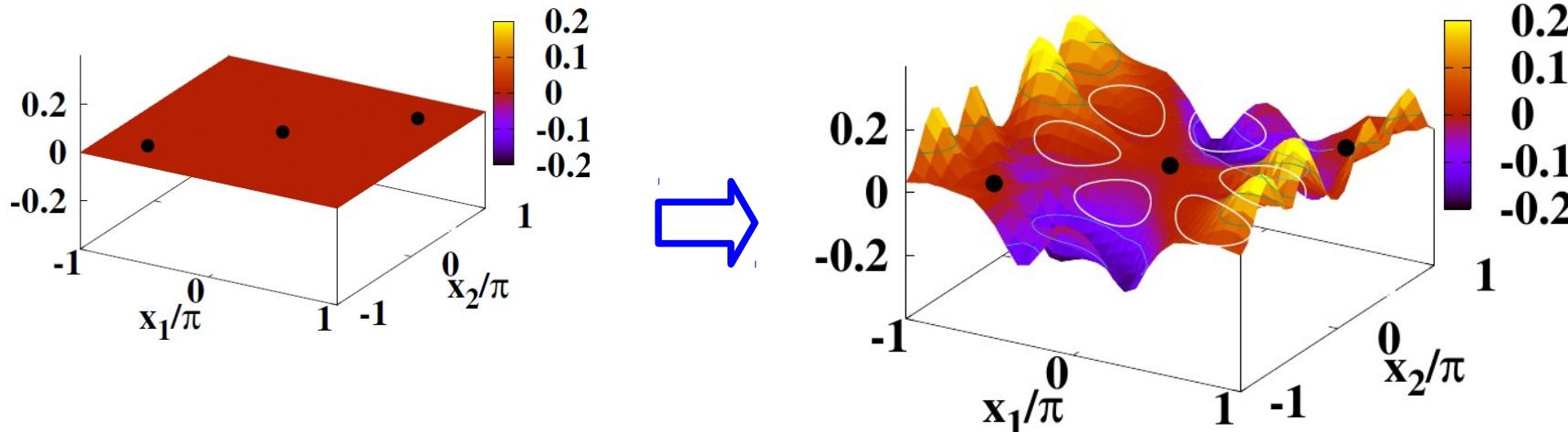
$$\sigma = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \log Z, \quad n_q = -\frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \log Z$$

$$P = \left\langle \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr } U \right\rangle = \frac{1}{N_c} \frac{(X^2 - 1)e^{-\mu/T} + X e^{2\mu/T}}{X^3 - 2X + 2 \cosh(3\mu/T)}$$

Faldt, Petersson ('86)  
Bilic, Demeterfi ('88)

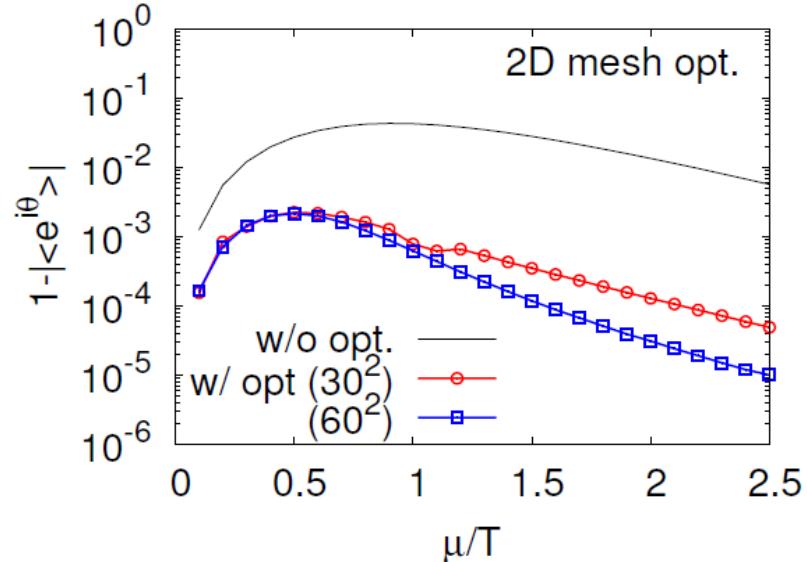
# 1 dim. QCD in diagonalized gauge (1)

- 2 variable problem → 2D mesh point integral  
→  $y_{1,2}(x_1, x_2)$  are variational parameters by themselves.



- Average phase factor  $> 0.997$ 
  - (Normal) gradient descent
  - Good enough for small lattice in 3+1D.

$$(\text{APF})_{0+1}^{L^3} \simeq 0.21 (L = 8)$$



Mori, Kashiwa, AO, in prep.

# 1 dim. QCD in diagonalized gauge (2)

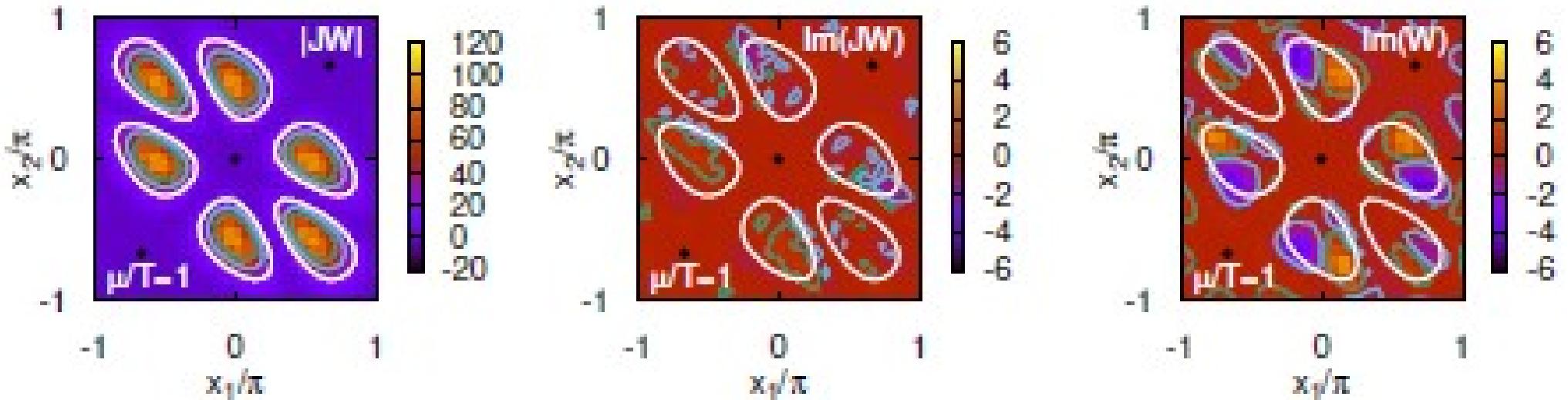
- Jacobian is also important !

$$|\text{Im}(JW)| \ll |\text{Im}W| \quad (W = H \exp(-S))$$

- There are six regions with large stat. weight  $|JW|$ .

Symmetry :  $S(-z) = (S(z^*))^*$ ,  $z_i \leftrightarrow z_j$  ( $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ )

→ Problematic in sampling in Hybrid MC



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# 1 dim. QCD w/o diagonalized gauge fixing (1)

- Complexification of link variable

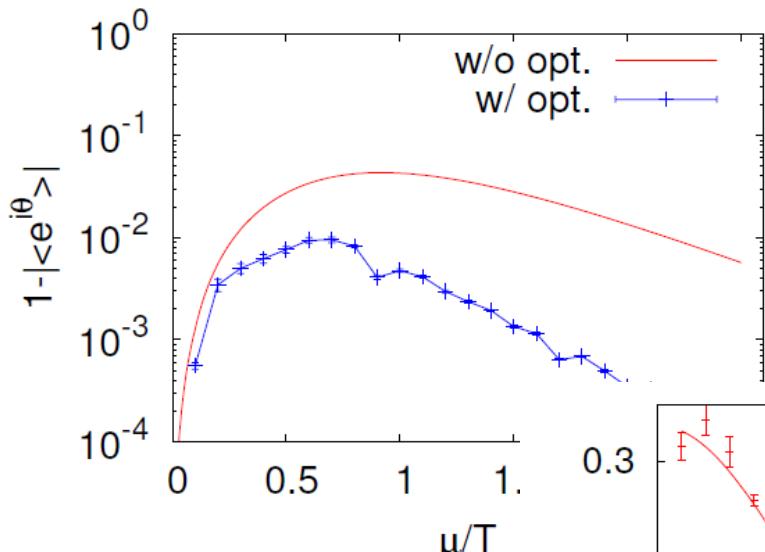
$$U \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(U) = U \prod_{a=1}^{N_c^2 - 1} e^{-y_i \lambda_i}$$
$$= U e^{-y_1 \lambda_1} e^{-y_2 \lambda_2} \dots e^{-y_8 \lambda_8} \in \text{SL}(3)$$

- Derivative wrt y's is easy. Parametrization deps. is taken care by J.
- Hybrid Monte-Carlo in 1 dim. QCD

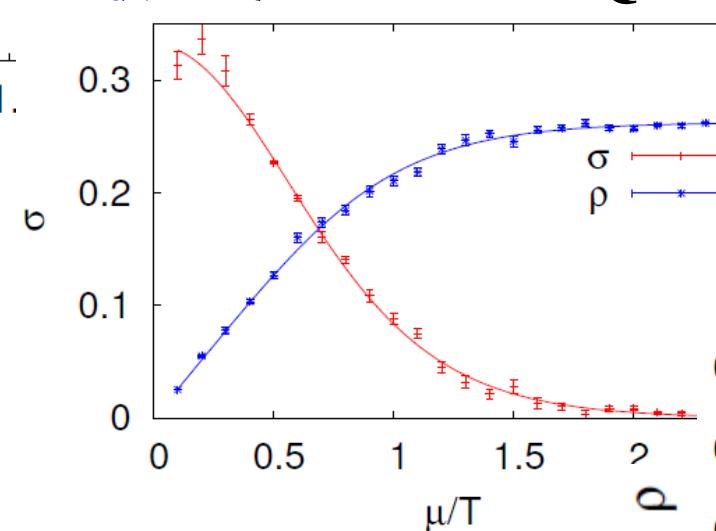
$$H = \frac{P^2}{2} + \text{Re}(S(\mathcal{U}(U)))$$

- 8 variables → path optimization using Neural Network

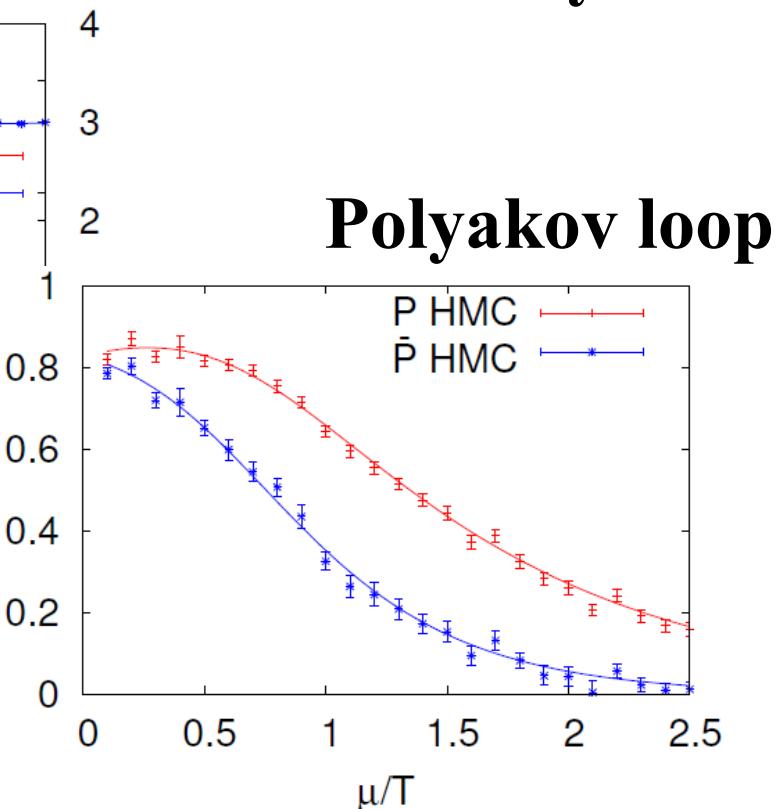
# 1 dim. QCD w/o diagonalized gauge fixing (2)



Average phase factor



Chiral condensate  
& Quark number density

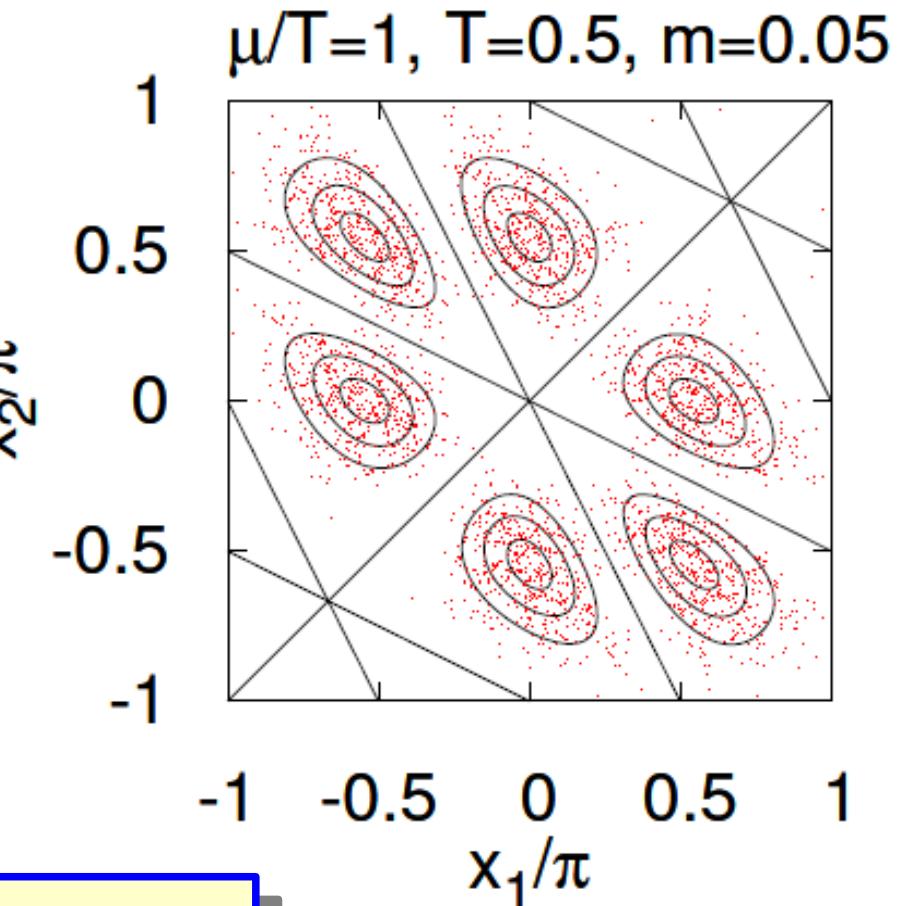
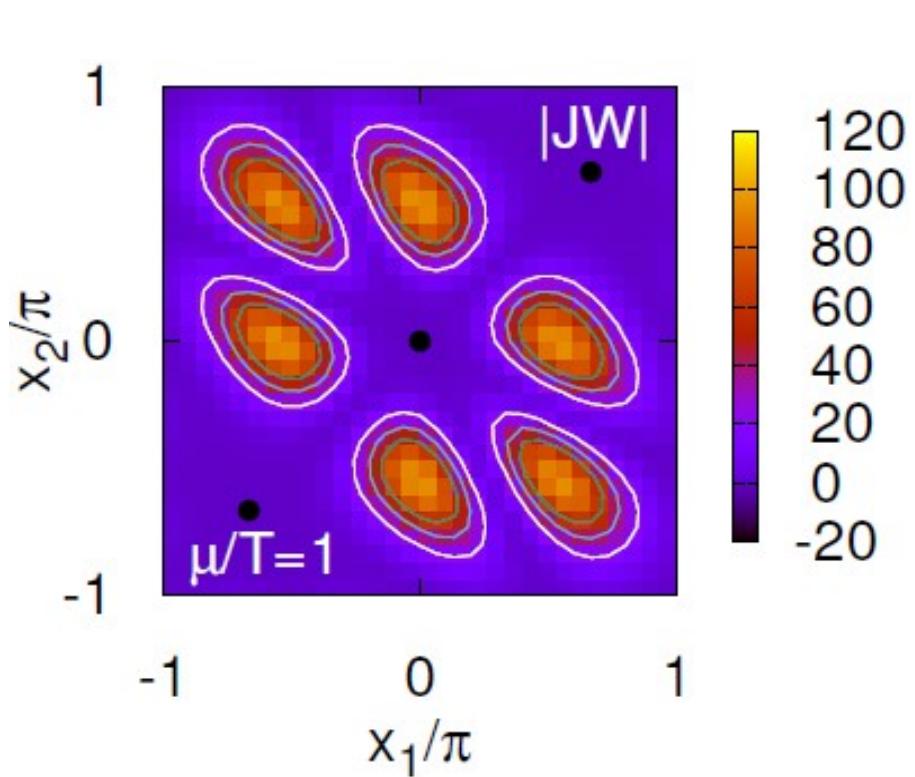


Polyakov loop

Mori, Kashiwa, AO, in prep.

# 1 dim. QCD w/o diagonalized gauge fixing (3)

- Statistical weight distribution in diagonalized gauge  
~ Config. dist. in Hybrid MC w/o diag. gauge fixing



*It would be possible to apply POM  
in more realistic cases !*

*Mori, Kashiwa, AO, in prep.*

## *Application to QCD effective models*

# Polyakov-loop-extended NJL (PNJL) model

- Sign problem is more severe around the phase boundary.

e.g. [S. Tsutsui et al., 1811.07647](#); [Y. Ito et al., 1811.12688](#).

→ Let us discuss QCD effective models !

- Polyakov-loop-extended Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (PNJL) model with vector coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \bar{q}(\not{D} + m_0)q - G \left[ (\bar{q}q)^2 + (\bar{q}i\gamma_5\boldsymbol{\tau}q)^2 \right] \\ + \underline{\mathcal{V}_g(\Phi, \bar{\Phi})} + \underline{G_v(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q)^2}$$

**Polyakov**      **Vector**

- Bosonization & Truncation to homogeneous aux. field

$$\mathcal{V} = -2N_f \int^\Lambda \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ N_c E_p + T \log(f^- f^+) \right] \\ + G(\sigma^2 + \pi^2) + G_v \omega^2 + \mathcal{V}_q$$

$$f^- = 1 + 3\Phi e^{-\beta E_p^-} + 3\bar{\Phi} e^{-2\beta E_p^-} + e^{-3\beta E_p^-}$$

$$E_p = \sqrt{p^2 + (m_0 - 2G\sigma)^2}, \quad E_p^\mp = E_p \mp \tilde{\mu}, \quad \tilde{\mu} = \mu - 2\textcolor{red}{i}G_v\omega$$

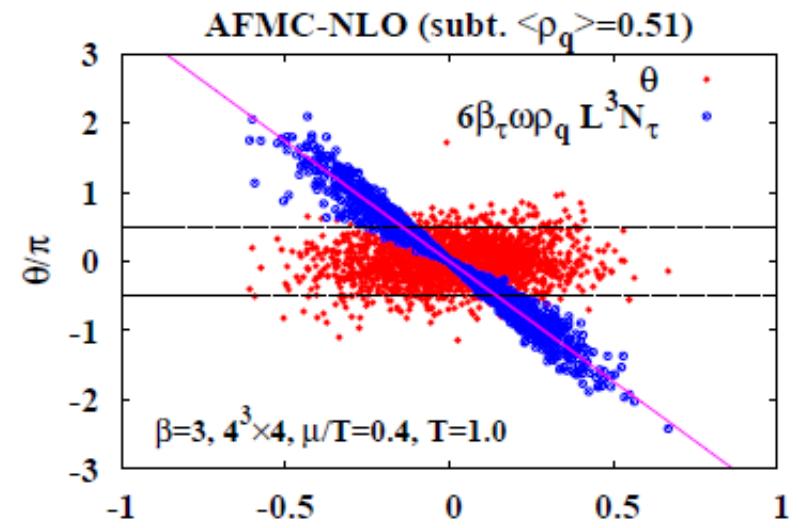
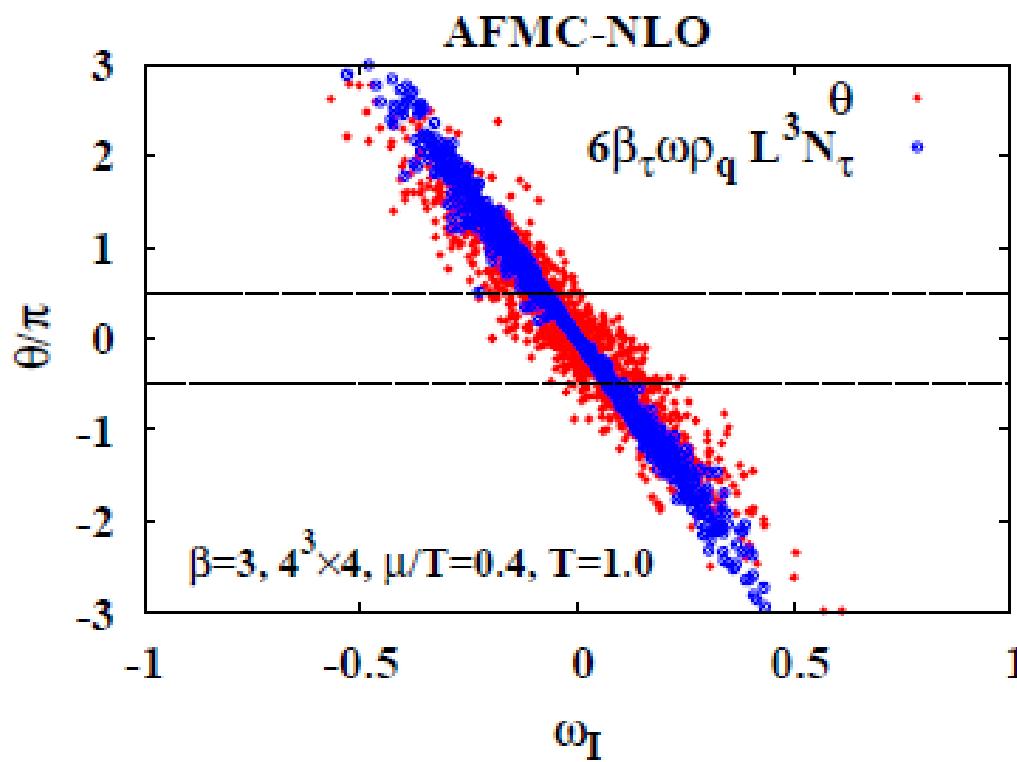
**$\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, \omega$  cause the sign prb.**

# Repulsive interaction causes the sign problem

## ■ Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation of repulsive interaction

$$\exp[-\alpha(\bar{q}\Gamma q)^2] = \int d\omega \exp[-\alpha\omega^2 + i\alpha\omega\bar{q}\Gamma q]$$

- This “model” sign problem causes trouble in Shell Model Monte-Carlo, Strong-coupling LQCD, ...



**Complexification  
& Shift**

*AO, Ichihara (Lattice2015)*

# *POM for PNJL (w/o vector coupling)*

## ■ Partition function

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dX \exp(-\beta \mathcal{V}/V) = \int dX \exp(-k\mathcal{V}/T^4) \quad (dX = dA_3 dA_8 d\sigma d\omega \dots)$$

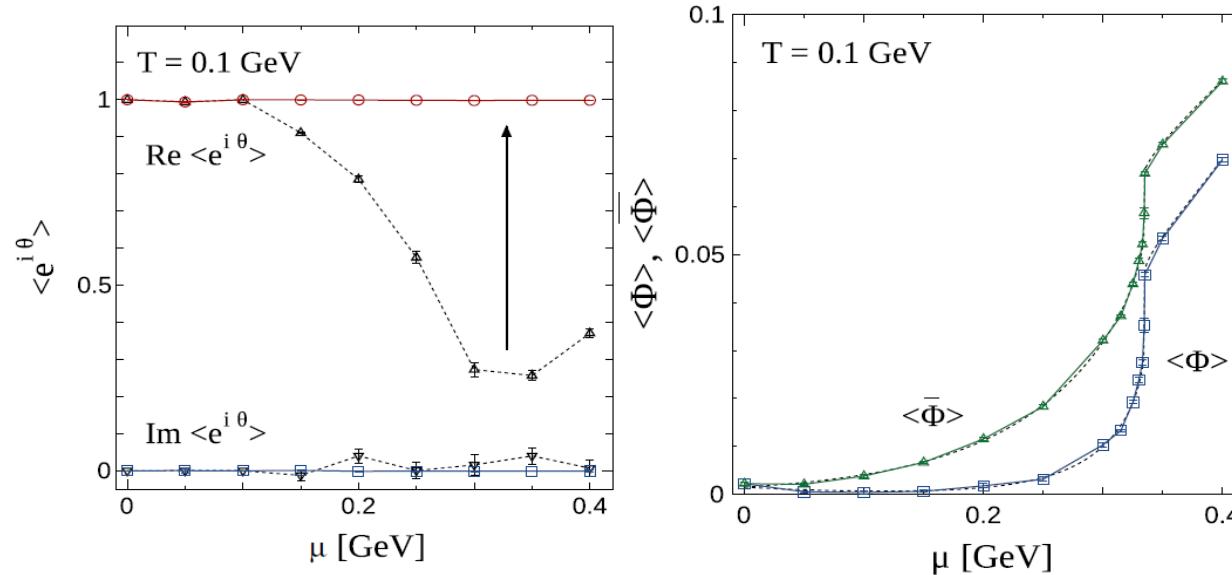
**Homogenous field ansatz & const. k approx.**

→ Results converge to mean field results at large k

Cristoforetti, Hell, Klein, Weise ('10) (MC-NJL)

## ■ POM works in PNJL !

- Average phase factor  $\sim 1$ , Pol. loop converges to MF results.

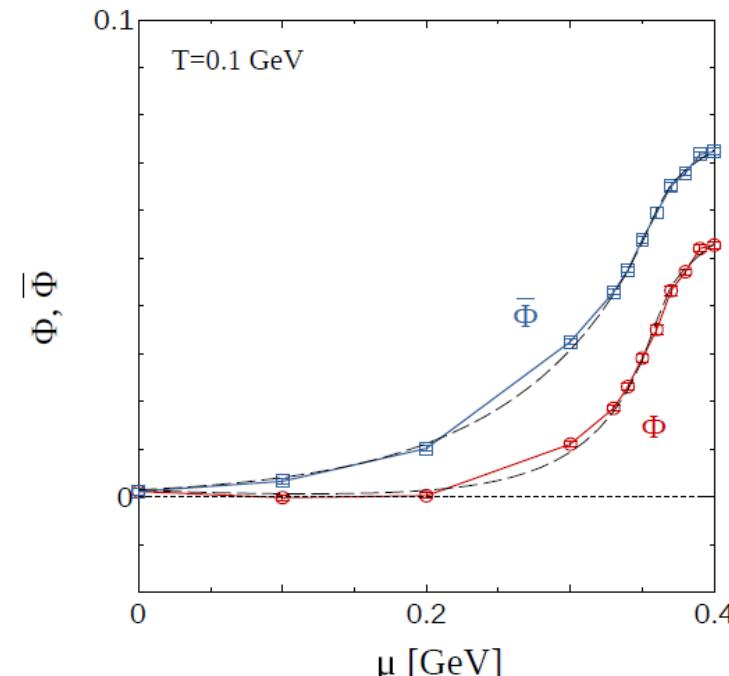
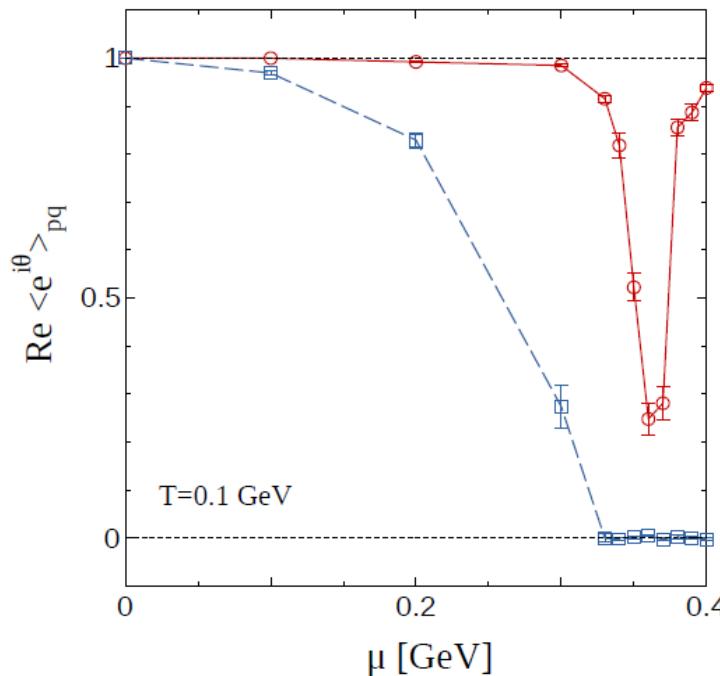


*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, PRD 99 ('19)*

# *POM for PNJL with vector coupling*

## ■ POM works in PNJL<sub>v</sub>

- Pol. loop converges to MF results.
- Average phase factor is enhanced significantly, but we still find the region, APF < 1 and we need special care for the initial config. distribution. (Optimization is not automatic in this case.)

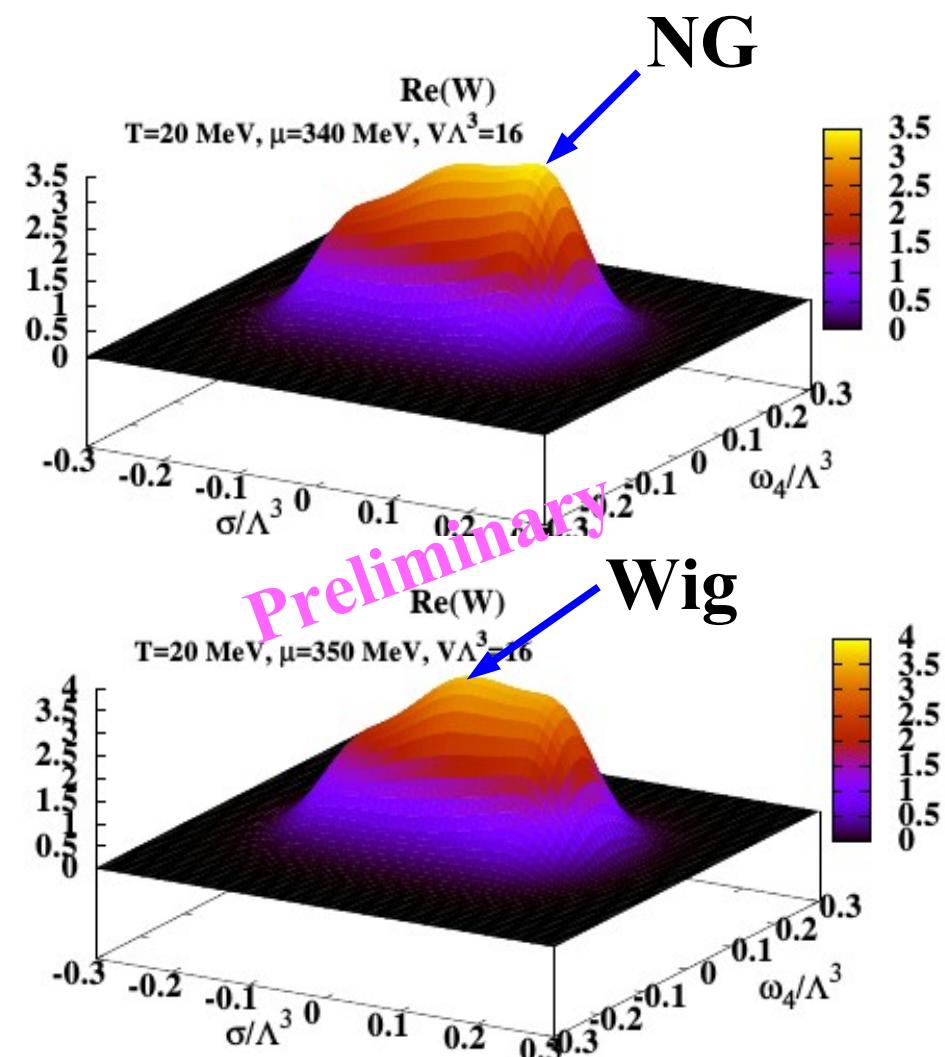


*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, arXiv:1903.03679*

*A. Ohnishi, FLQCD, Apr. 19, 2019* 29

# *Do we describe multi thimbles ?*

- It seems yes.
- Statistical weight in NJL<sub>V</sub> on  $(\sigma, \omega_4)$  plain after optimization on the 2D mesh.  
→ Three peaks (or shoulders)
- Transition from the Nambu-Goldstone phase to the Wigner phase occurs at  $\mu=(340-350)$  MeV
- In the  $V \rightarrow \infty$  limit, this corresponds to the phase transition.  
(We may need exchange MC or different tempering.)



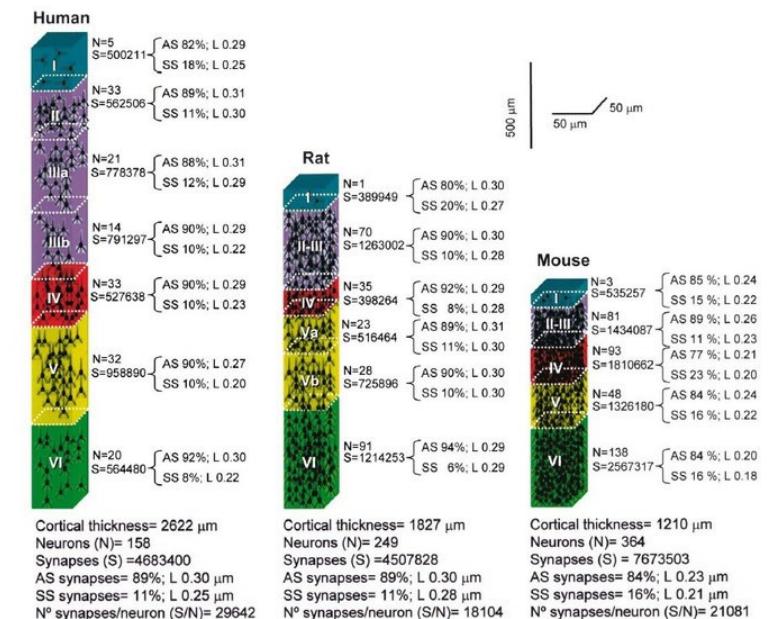
# Summary

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- Complexified variable methods (LTM, CLM, POM) are promising tools to tackle the sign problem. [c.f. Talk by Fukuma]
- Path optimization method has been demonstrated to work in 1 dim. integral, 1+1 dim. scalar theory at finite density, 0+1 dim. QCD, and PNJL model w/ and w/o vector coupling.
  - POM does not suffer from zero point of fermion det., since it is not a singular point of the Boltzmann weight.
  - Complex phase from Jacobian and the Boltzmann weight cancels with each other, and the residual sign problem is evaded.
  - In 1 dim. QCD, an apparent multimodal problem in the diag. gauge can be avoided by calc. w/o diag. gauge fixing.
  - Sometimes, the average phase factor does not easily grow during the optimization. Improving the opt. method and/or knowledge of preferred path would be necessary (not yet *ab initio*).
- To do: 1+1 D QCD, Reducing cost  $O(V^3)$ , ...

# Prospect

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= f ( real parts of same point and nearest neighbor points)  
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Defelipe 2011a (Review). The evolution of the brain, the human nature of cortical circuits, and intellectual creativity. Front Neuroanat 5, 29.

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*Thank you for your attention !*

# Fermion Determinant

Faldt, Petersson, 1986

- Fermion action is separated to each spatial point and bi-linear  
→ Determinant of  $N\tau \times Nc$  matrix

$$\begin{aligned}
 \exp \left[ -V_{\text{eff}}/T \right] &= \int dU_0 \det \left[ X_N [ \square \otimes 1_c \square e^{-\square^T U^\square} \square \otimes 1^N \square e^{\square^T U^\square} ] \right]^{Nc} \\
 &= X_N^3 - 2 X_N \square 2 \cosh \square 3 N \square
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I\square/2 = [ \square x \square i \square x \square x \square 2 N_c \square^2 \square m_0 / \square ]$$

$$X_N = B_N \square B_{N-2} \square ; N-1 \square$$

$$B_N = I_N \square B_{N-1} \square B_{N-2}$$

$$B_N = \begin{vmatrix} I_1 & e^\square & 0 & & \\ e^{-\square} & I_2 & e^\square & & \\ 0 & -e^{-\square} & I_3 & e^\square & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ & & & -e^{-\square} & I_N \end{vmatrix}$$

## *Discussions*

# Frequently Asked Questions

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- How many parameters do you have ?  
→ Many ;) For generic trial function ( $V = \# \text{ of variables}$ )

$$y_i = y_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_V)$$

$$N_{\text{par}} = (N_{\text{layer}} + 1) \times V \times (N_{\text{unit}} + 1) + 2V$$

- How about the numerical cost ?  
→ A lot ;) Derivative of  $J$  with respect to parameters cost most.

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial c_i} = J \frac{\partial J_{jk}^{-1}}{\partial z_l} \frac{\partial z_l}{\partial c_i} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(V^3)$$

- It is still polynomial.  
Does the sign problem becomes “P” problem?  
→ No. The average phase factor is still  $\exp(-\# V)$ .  
If extrapolation is possible from finite  $V$ , we have a hope.
- How can we reduce the cost ? → Next page

# How can we reduce the numerical cost ?

- Restrict the function form of  $y(x)$ .

- Imaginary part is a function of its real part.

*E.g. Alexandru, Bedaque, Lamm, Lawrence, PRD97('18)094510  
[Lawrence, Warrington, Lamm (Mon)]*

Thirring model, 1+1D QED

$$y_i = f(x_i), f(x) = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 \cos x$$

- Nearest neighbor site

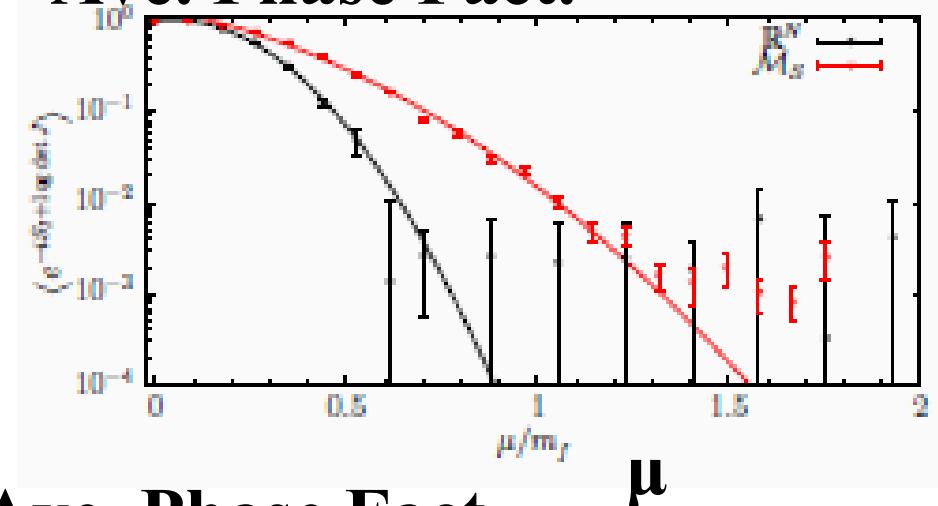
*F. Bursa, M. Kroyter, arXiv:1805.04941*

0+1 D  $\phi^4$  theory

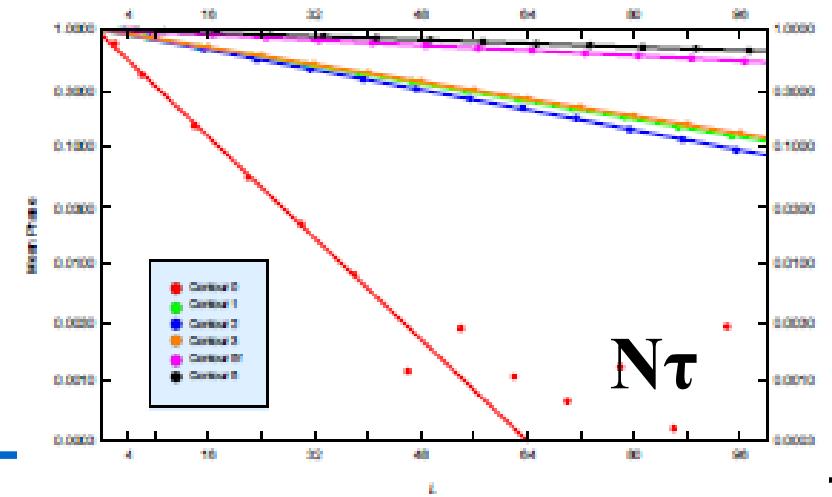
Translational inv. + U(1) sym.

$$y_{a,i} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ab}x_{a,i+1}}{1 + x_{1,i}^2 + x_{2,i}^2}$$

Ave. Phase Fact.

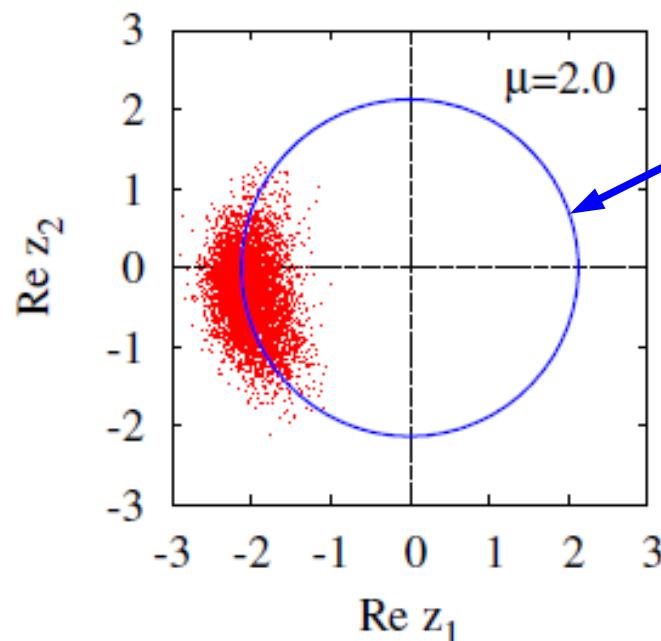


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## Frequently Asked Questions (cont.)

- What happens when we have  $10^{10}$  fixed points ?
  - In that case we should give up. (My answer @ Lattice 2017)
  - If those fixed points are connected by the symmetry, we may be able to perform path optimization.



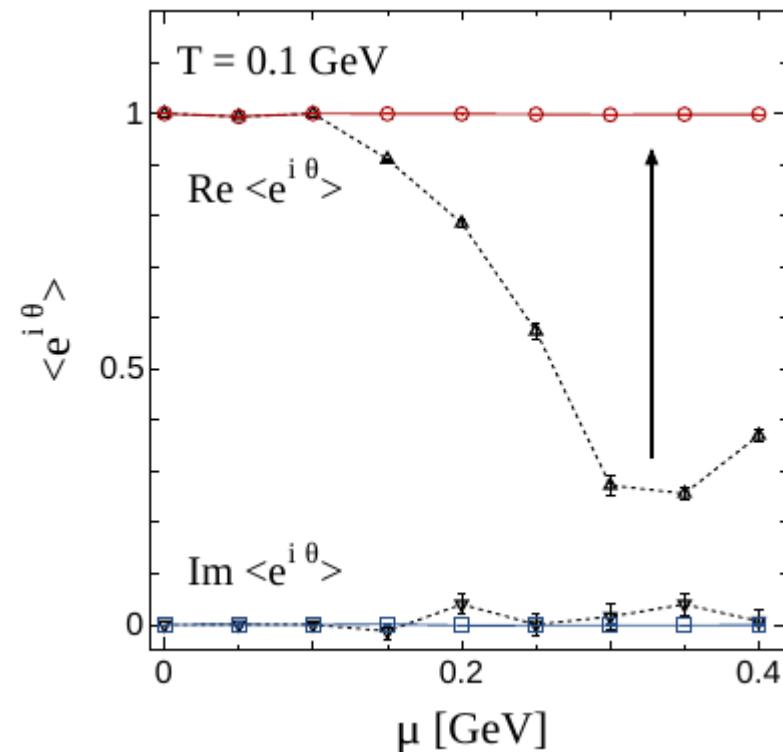
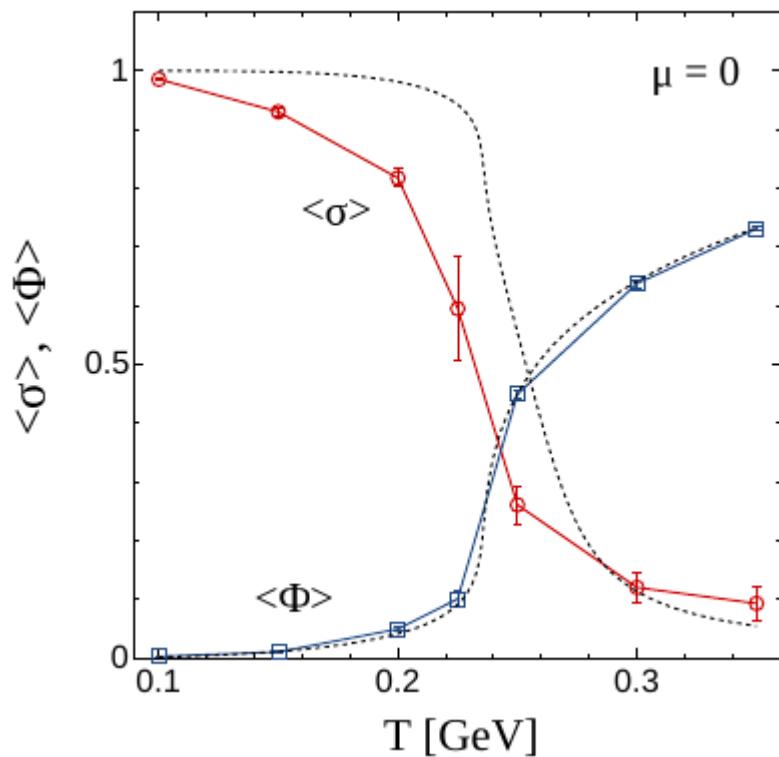
**Mean field results**  
= Degenerate fixed points  
(All have the same  $\theta$ .)

If they have different complex phases, the global sign problem emerges and the partition function would be almost zero.

E.g. H. Fujii, S. Kamata, Y. Kikukawa, arXiv:1710.08524

# *Application to PNJL*

- PNJL model with homogeneous condensates,  $(\sigma, \pi, \Phi, \bar{\Phi})$ .
  - Has Sign problem in finite volume
  - Converges to mean field results in the large volume limit



*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, arXiv:1805.08940.*

# *Summary*

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- The sign problem is a grand challenge in theoretical physics, and appears in many fields of physics,
  - finite density QCD, real time evolution, Hubbard model off half-filling, other quantum MC with fermions, ...and complexified variable methods (LTM, CLM, POM) would be promising to evade the sign problem.
- Path optimization with the use of the neural network is demonstrated to work in field theories having many variables.
  - 1+1D  $\phi^4$  theory at finite  $\mu$  (neural network)
  - 0+1D QCD w/ fermions (grad. descent, neural network)
  - 3+1D homogeneous PNJL (neural network)
- Neural network (single hidden layer) is the simplest device of machine learning, and it helps us to generate and optimize generic multi-variable functions,  $y_i = y_i(\{x\})$ .

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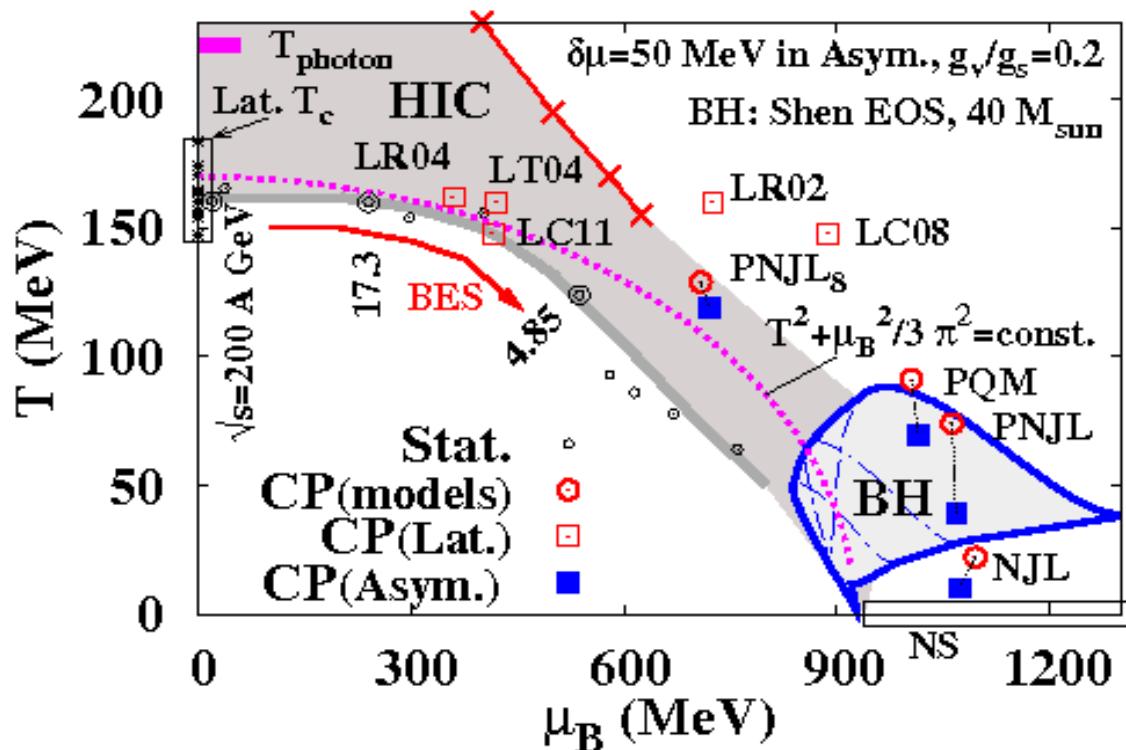
## ■ Sign problem for complex actions

*AO, PTPS193('12)1.*

- Grand challenge in theor. phys.
- Largest obstacle to explore QCD phase diagram

## ■ Approaches

- Taylor expansion, Analytic cont., Canonical, Strong coupling LQCD, ...

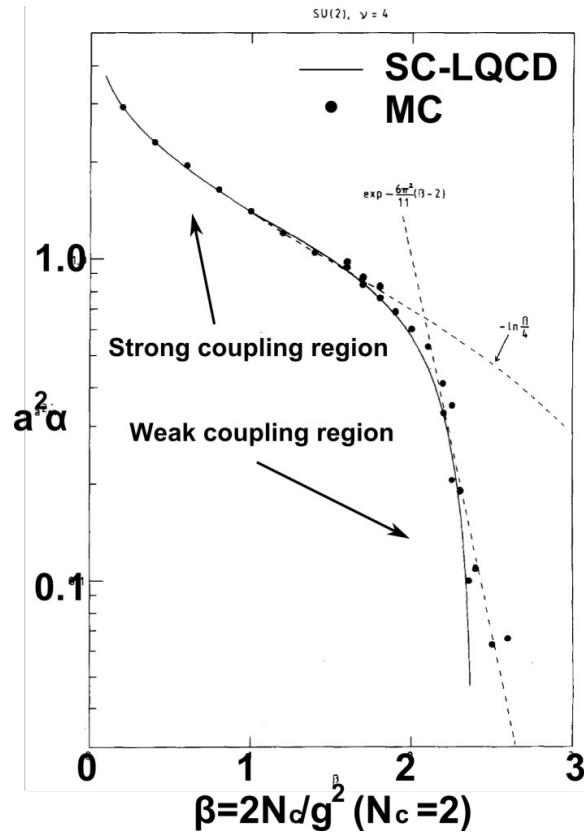


- Complex Langevin method (CLM)  
*Parisi ('83), Klauder ('83), Aarts et al. ('11), Nagata et al. ('16)*
- Lefschetz thimble method (LTM)  
*E. Witten ('10), Cristoforetti et al. ('12), Fujii et al. ('13)*
- Generalized LTM (GLTM)  
*A. Alexandru, et al., ('16)*

*Complexified variable methods*

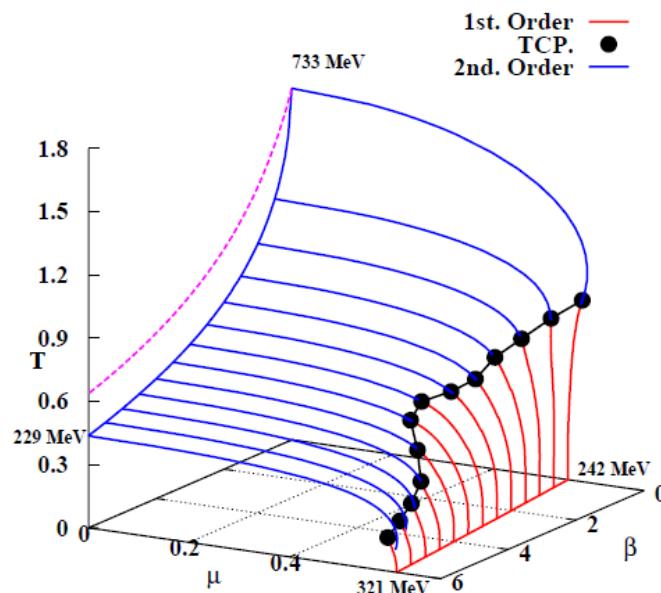
# Strong Coupling Lattice QCD

## Pure YM → Area Law



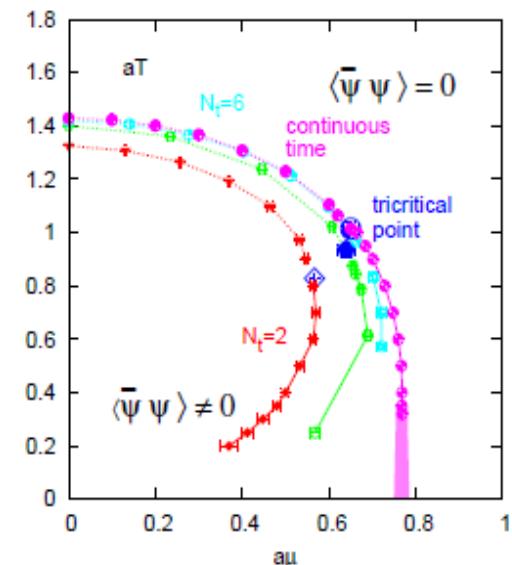
Wilson ('74), Creutz ('80),  
Munster ('80, '81), Lottini,  
Philipsen, Langelage's ('11)

## Phase diagram (mean field)



Kawamoto ('80), Kawamoto, Smit ('81), Damgaard, Hochberg, Kawamoto ('85), Ilgenfritz, Kripfganz ('85), Bilic, Karsch, Redlich ('92), Fukushima ('03); Nishida ('03), Kawamoto, Miura, AO, Ohnuma ('07). Miura, Nakano, AO, Kawamoto ('09), Nakano, Miura, AO ('10), Miura, Kawamoto, Nakano, AO ('17)

## Lattice MC simulations (Fluctuations)

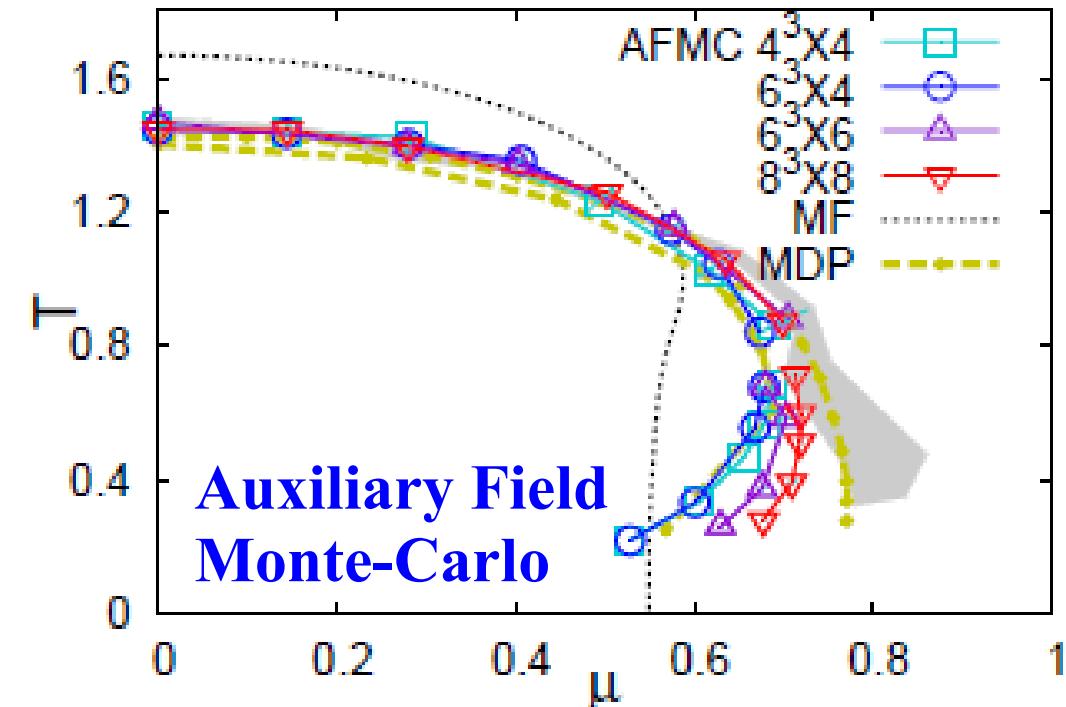
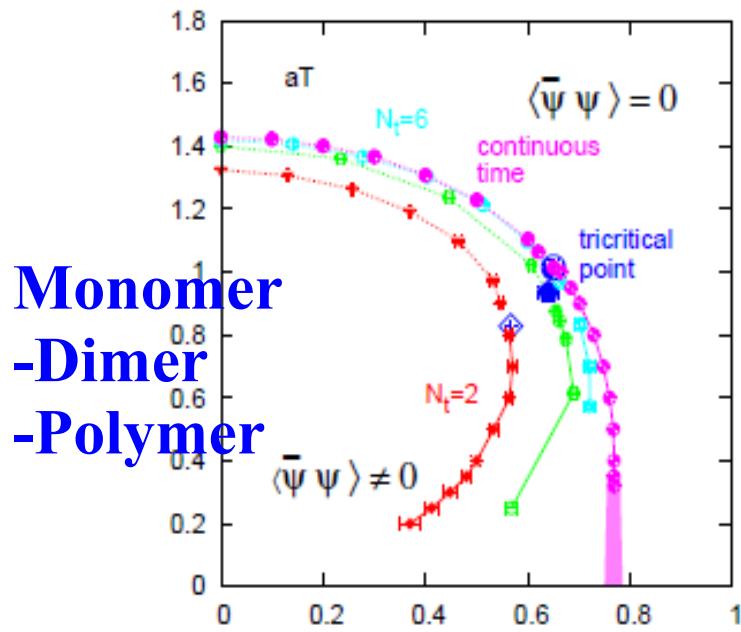


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- Integrate links first, and fermions later → Milder sign prob.
- Two indep. methods give consistent phase diagram in the *Strong Coupling Limit*.

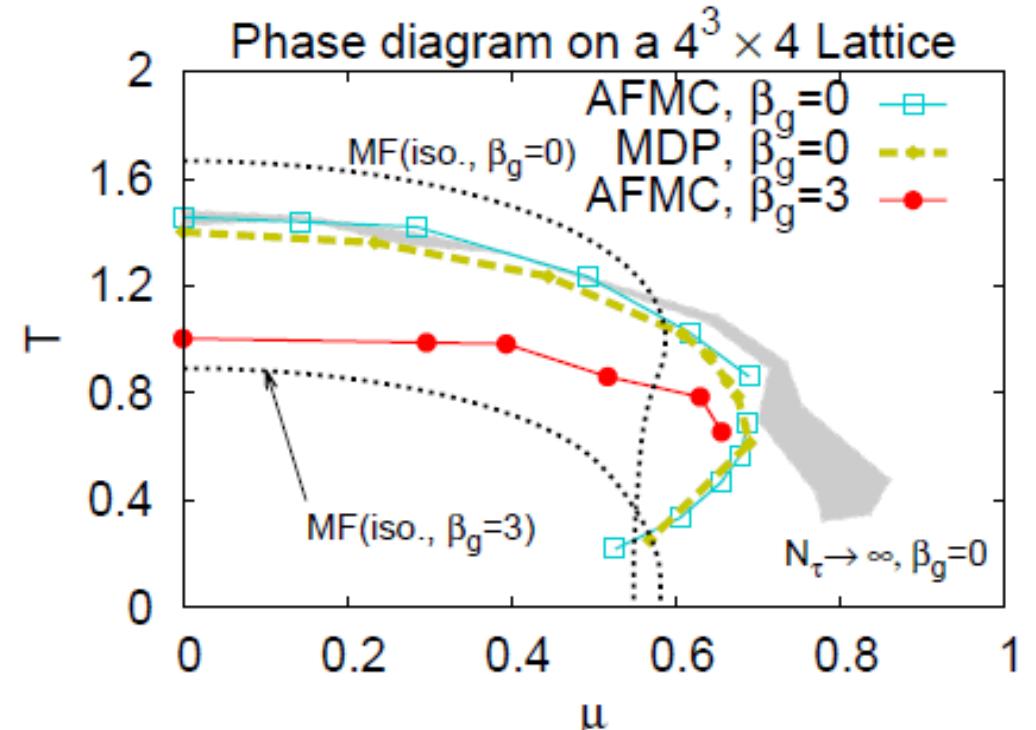
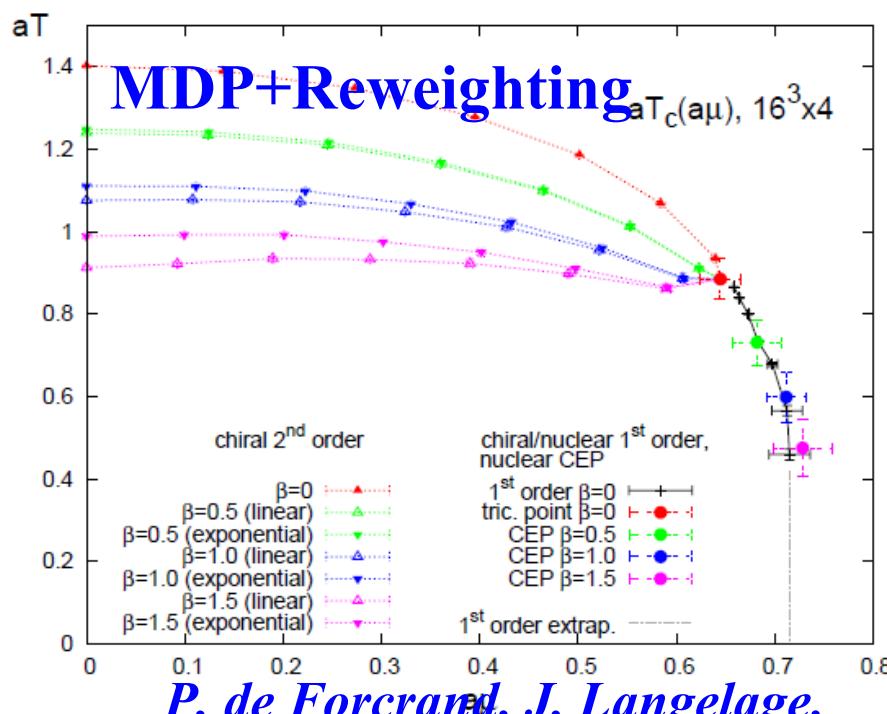


de Forcrand, Fromm ('10), de Forcrand, Langelage, Philipsen, Unger ('14)

T.Ichihara, AO, T.Z.Nakano, PTEP2014,123D02.

# Phase Diagram Away from the Strong Coupling Limit

- Sampling at finite coupling ( $g < \infty$  or  $2N_c/g^2 > 0$ ) is difficult !
  - Monomer-Dimer-Polymer sim. → Reweighting from SCL  
*P. de Forcrand, J. Langelage, O. Philipsen, W. Unger ('14)*
  - Auxiliary Field Monte-Carlo  
→ Direct sampling is possible at small  $\mu/T$ , but fails at large  $\mu$   
*AO, T. Ichihara (Lattice 2015)*



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*Why is direct sampling difficult at finite  $1/g^2$  ?  
→ Sign problem from Repulsive Interaction*

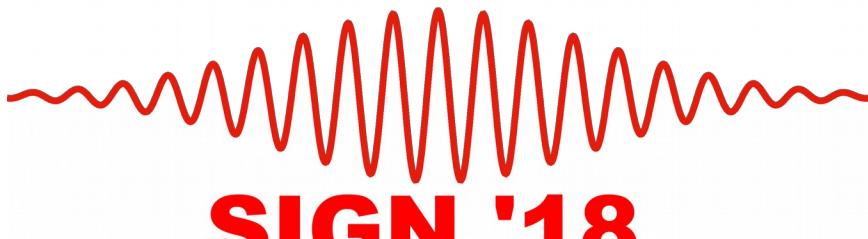
**and also from the Polyakov loop ?  
(U. Wenger on Mon.)**

# *One of the origins of the sign problem = Repulsion*

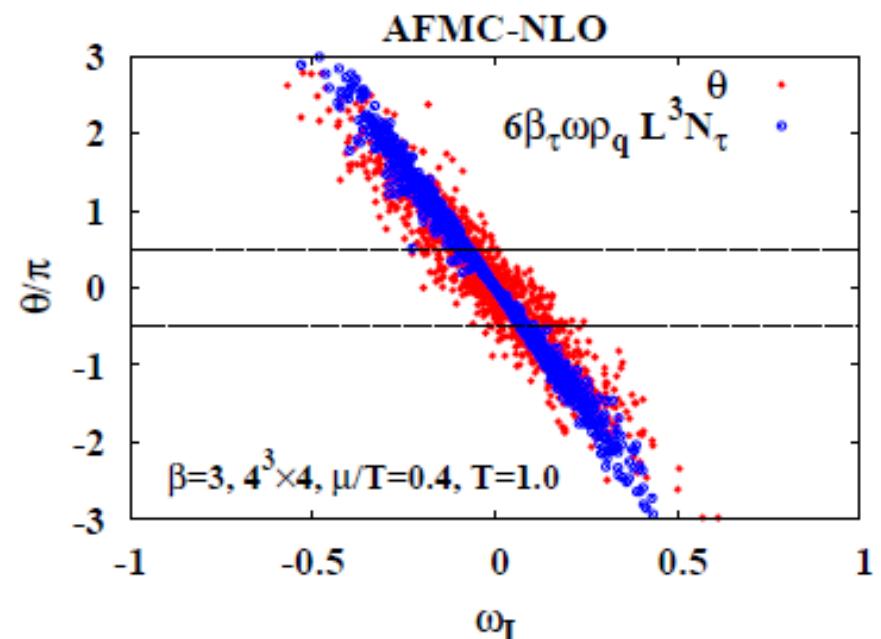
- Repulsive 4-Fermi interaction → Sign prob. via Hubbard transf.

$$\exp[-G^2(q^\dagger q)^2] = \int d\omega e^{-\omega^2/2 - iG(q^\dagger q)\omega}$$

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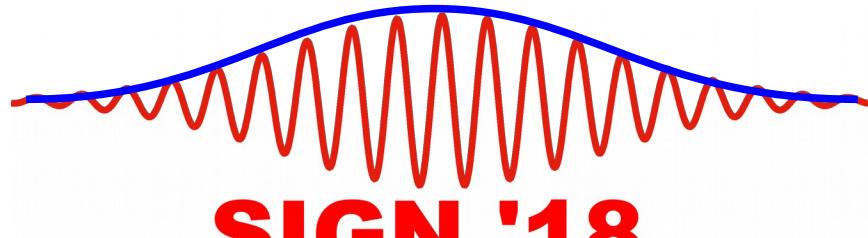
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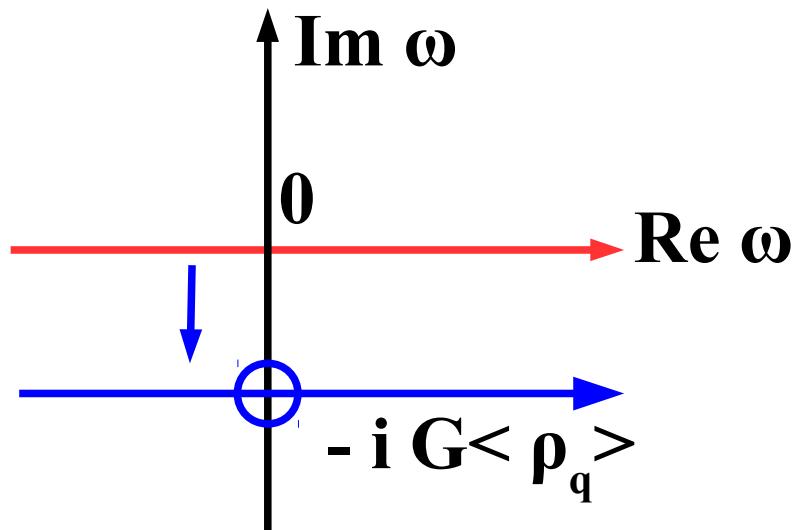
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- Shifted  $\omega$  should kill sign prb.

$$-\frac{\omega^2}{2} - iG\omega\rho_q = -\frac{1}{2}(\omega + iG\rho_q)^2 - G^2\rho_q^2$$



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# Strong Coupling Lattice QCD action (1)

## Lattice QCD action (unrooted staggered fermion)

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} [\eta_\mu(x) \bar{\chi}_x U_\mu(x) \chi_{x+\hat{\mu}} - \eta_\mu^{-1}(x) \bar{\chi}_{x+\hat{\mu}} U_\mu^\dagger(x) \chi_x] + m_0 \sum_x \bar{\chi}_x \chi_x$$

$$- \frac{2N_c}{g^2} \sum_P \text{ReTr} U_P \quad (\eta_\nu(x) = (-1)^{x_0 + \dots + x_{\nu-1}} e^{\mu \delta_{\nu 0}})$$

## Eff. Action in the Strong Coupling Limit

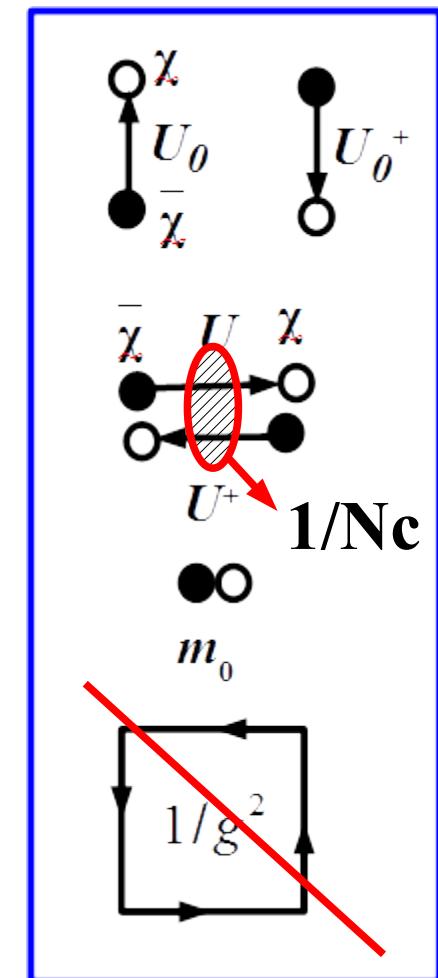
*Damgaard, Kawamoto, Shigemoto ('84),  
Jolicœur, Kluberg-Stern, Lev, Morel, Petersson ('84).*

- Spatial link integral → Four-Fermi int.  
(LO in 1/d expansion)

$$S_{\text{eff}}^{(\text{SCL})} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_x [V_x^+ - V_x^-] + m_0 \sum_x M_x - \frac{1}{4N_c} \sum_{x,j} M_x M_{x+\hat{j}}$$

$$V_x^+ = \bar{\chi}_x e^\mu U_0(x) \chi_{x+\hat{0}}, \quad V_x^- = \bar{\chi}_{x+\hat{0}} e^{-\mu} U_0^\dagger(x) \chi_x, \quad M_x = \bar{\chi}_x \chi_x$$

**SCL → (Scalar-Pseudoscalar) 4-Fermi int.**



# Strong Coupling Lattice QCD action (2)

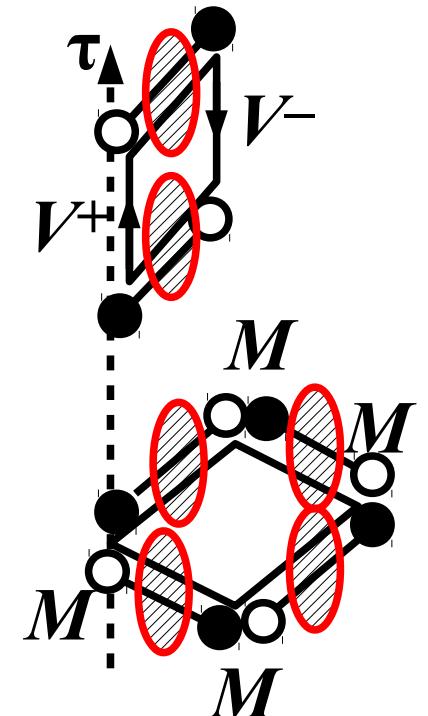
## ■ $1/g^2$ correction

Faldt, Petersson ('86), Miura, Nakano, AO, Kawamoto ('09)

$$S_{\text{eff}}^{(\text{NLO})} = S_{\text{eff}}^{(\text{SCL})} + \frac{\beta_\tau}{2} \sum_{x,j} \left[ V_x^+ V_{x+\hat{j}}^- + V_x^- V_{x+\hat{j}}^+ \right]$$

$$- \beta_s \sum_{x,k,j,k \neq j} M_x M_{x+\hat{j}} M_{x+\hat{j}+\hat{k}} M_{x+\hat{k}}$$

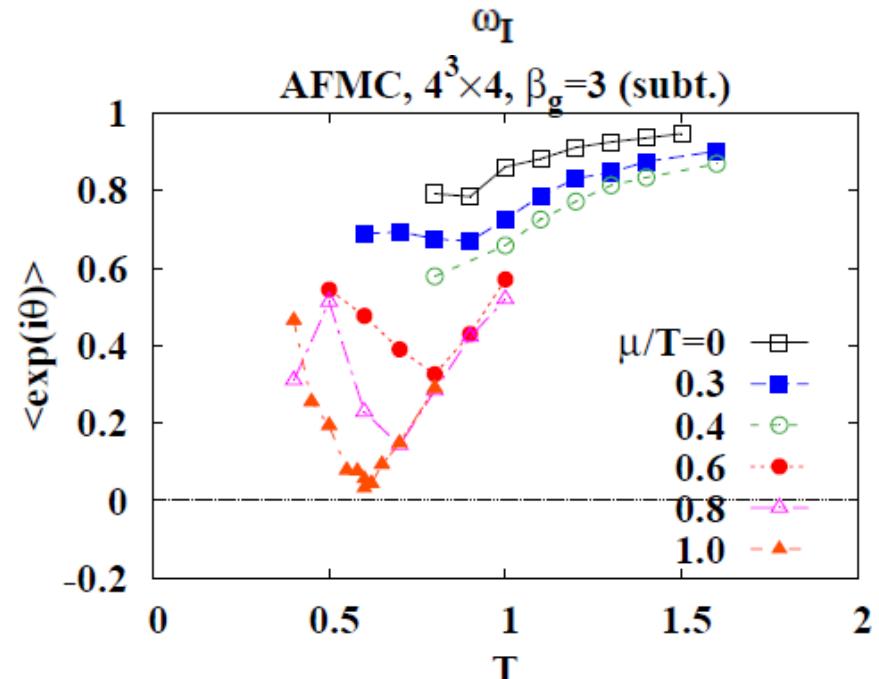
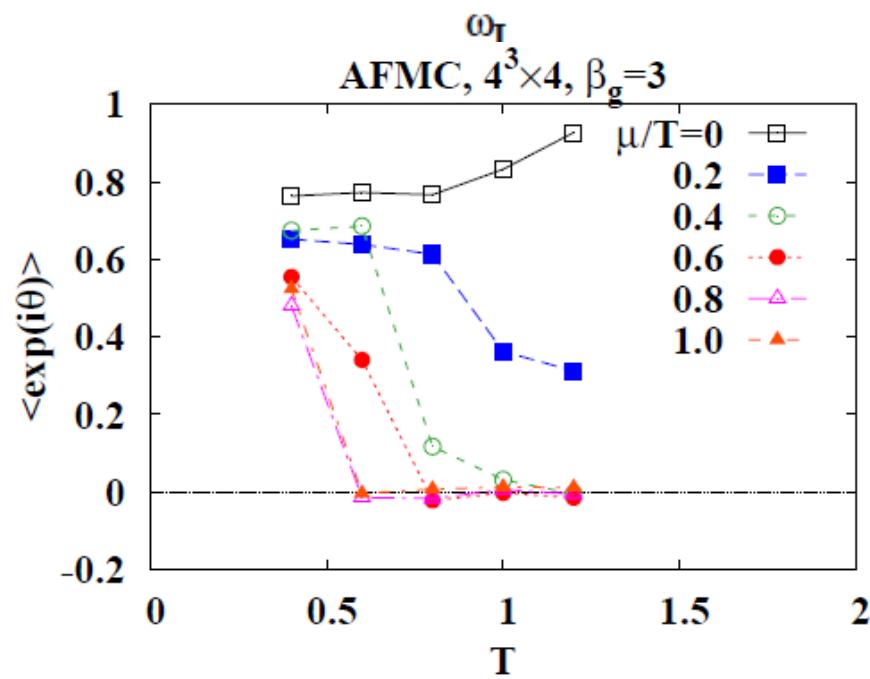
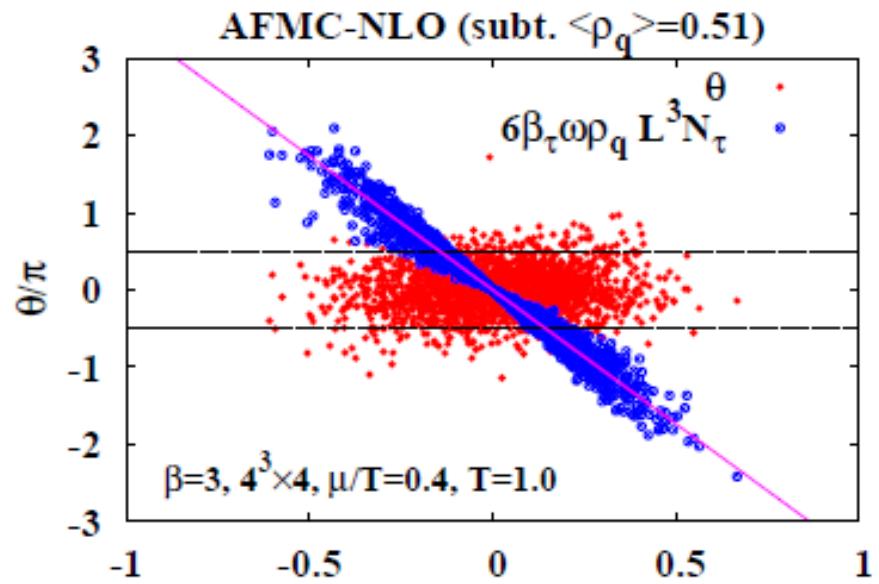
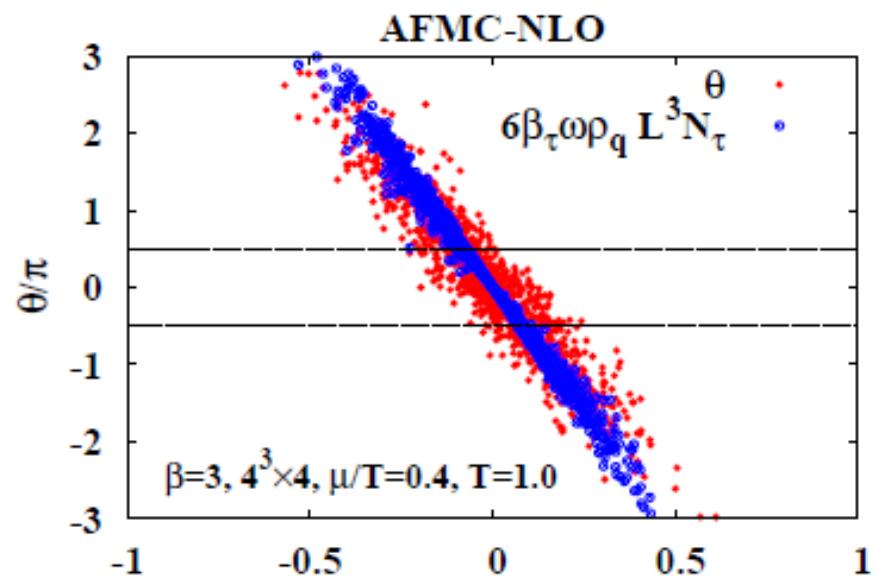
$$\beta_\tau = 1/2N_c^2 g^2, \quad \beta_s = 1/16N_c^4 g^2$$



Plaquet ( $1/g^2$ ) corr. generates

- Density-Density ( $VV$ ) 4-Fermi Repulsion
- 8 Fermi attraction

# Imaginary Part Shifted AFMC works !



*AO, Ichihara (Lattice2015)*

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*When density fluctuation is small,  
auxiliary field shift of the imaginary part by constant  
works well.*

*However, when density fluctuation is large  
(e.g. around the 1st order phase transition),  
simple shift does not work.*

*Configuration dep. shift of the imaginary part  
→ Complexified variable methods  
(LTM, CLM, GTM, POM, ...)*

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# *Path Optimization Method*

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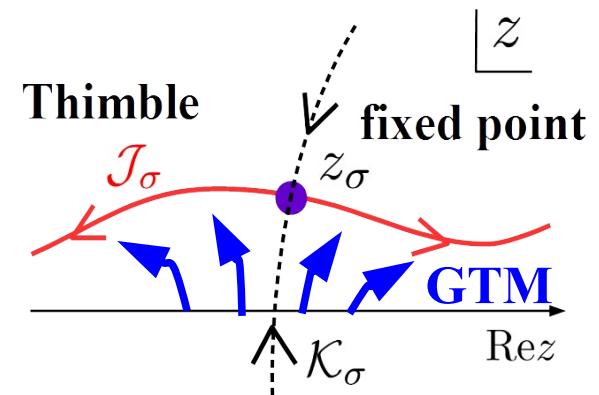
# Lefschetz thimble method

E. Witten ('10), Cristoforetti et al. (Aurora) ('12),  
Fujii et al. ('13), Alexandru et al. ('16).  
[Alexandru (Tue)]

- Solving the flow eq. from a fixed point  $\sigma$   
→ Integration path (thimble)  
Note:  $\text{Im}(S)$  is constant on one thimble

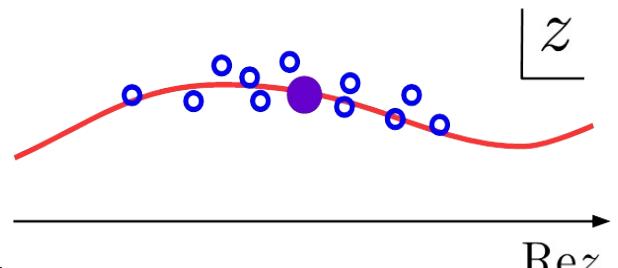
$$\mathcal{J}_\sigma : \frac{dz_i(t)}{dt} = \overline{\left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial z_i} \right)} \rightarrow \frac{dS}{dt} = \sum_i \left| \frac{\partial S}{\partial z_i} \right|^2 \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \sum_\sigma n_\sigma \mathcal{J}_\sigma$$

- Problem:
  - Phase from the Jacobian (residual. sign pr.),
  - Different Phases of Multi-thimbles (global sign pr.),
  - Numerical Cost,
  - Stokes phenomena, ...



# *Complex Langevin method*

*Parisi ('83), Klauder ('83), Aarts et al. ('11),  
Nagata et al. ('16); Seiler et al. ('13), Ito et al. ('16).  
[Sexty (Mon), Stamatescu (Tue)]*



## ■ Solving the complex Langevin eq. → Configs.

$$\frac{dz_i}{dt} = - \frac{\partial S}{\partial z_i} + \eta_i(t) (\eta_i : \text{White noise}), \langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}(z) \rangle$$

## ■ No sign problem.

## ■ Problem:

- CLM can give converged but wrong results,  
and we cannot know if it works or not in advance.

# *Path optimization method*

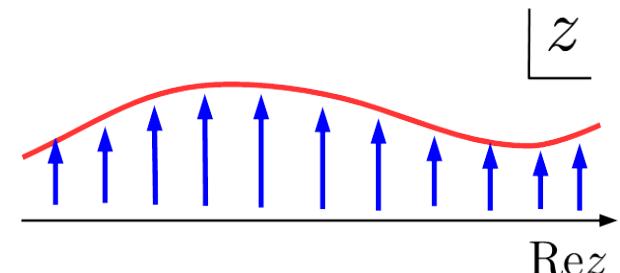
*Mori et al. ('17), AO, Mori, Kashiwa (Lattice 2017),*

*Mori et al. ('18), Kashiwa et al. ('18);*

*Alexandru et al. ('17 (Learnifold), '18 (SOMMe), '18),*

*Bursa, Kroyter ('18).*

*[Alexandru(Tue), Mori, Lawrence , Kroyter (Wed)]*



- Integration **path** is **optimized** to evade the sign problem, i.e. to enhance the average phase factor.

$$\text{APF} = \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{pq} = \int dx e^{-S} / \int dx |e^{-S}| = \mathcal{Z} / \mathcal{Z}_{pq}$$

***Sign Problem → Optimization Problem***

- Cauchy(-Poincare) theorem: the partition fn. is invariant if
  - the Boltzmann weight  $W=\exp(-S)$  is holomorphic (analytic),
  - and the path does not go across the poles and cuts of  $W$ .
- At Fermion det.=0, S is singular but W is not singular
  - Problem: quarter/square root of Fermion det.

# *Cost Function and Optimization*

- **Cost function:** a measure of the seriousness of the sign problem.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}[z(x)] &= \frac{1}{2} \int dx \left| e^{i\theta(x)} - e^{i\theta_0} \right|^2 \left| J(x) e^{-S(z(x))} \right| \\ &= |\mathcal{Z}| \left( \left| \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{pq} \right|^{-1} - 1 \right) = \mathcal{Z}_{pq} - |\mathcal{Z}| \\ &\quad [\theta = \arg(J e^{-S}), \theta_0 = \arg(\mathcal{Z})]\end{aligned}$$

- **Optimization:** the integration path is optimized to minimize the Cost Function.  
(via Gradient Descent or Machine Learning)

- Example: One-dim. integral → Complete set

$$z(x) = x + iy(x), \quad y(x) = \sum_n c_n H_n(x)$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dx J(x) e^{-S(z(x))}, \quad J(x) = \frac{dz(t)}{dx}$$

# Benchmark test: 1 dim. integral

## ■ A toy model with a serious sign problem

*J. Nishimura, S. Shimasaki ('15)*

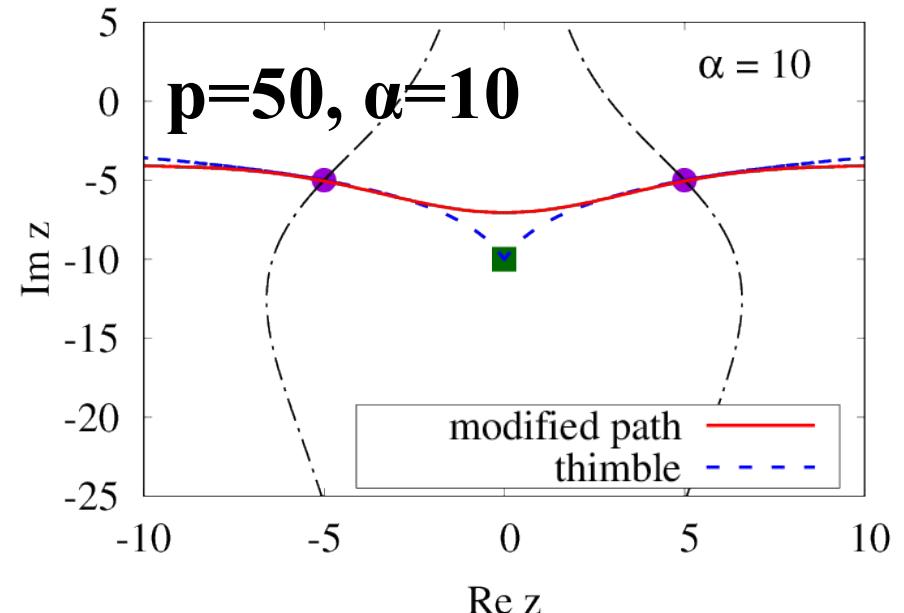
$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dx (x + i\alpha)^p \exp(-x^2/2)$$

- Sign prob. is serious with large  $p$  and small  $\alpha \rightarrow$  CLM fails

## ■ Path optimization

$$y(x) = c_1 \exp(-c_2 x^2/2) + c_3, \quad J = 1 + idy/dx$$

- Gradient Descent optimization
- Optimized path  $\sim$  Thimble around Fixed Points



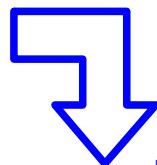
*Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('17); AO, Mori, Kashiwa (Lat 2017)*

# Benchmark test: 1 dim. integral

## ■ Stat. Weight $J e^{-S}$

On Real Axis

$(\times 10^{50})$

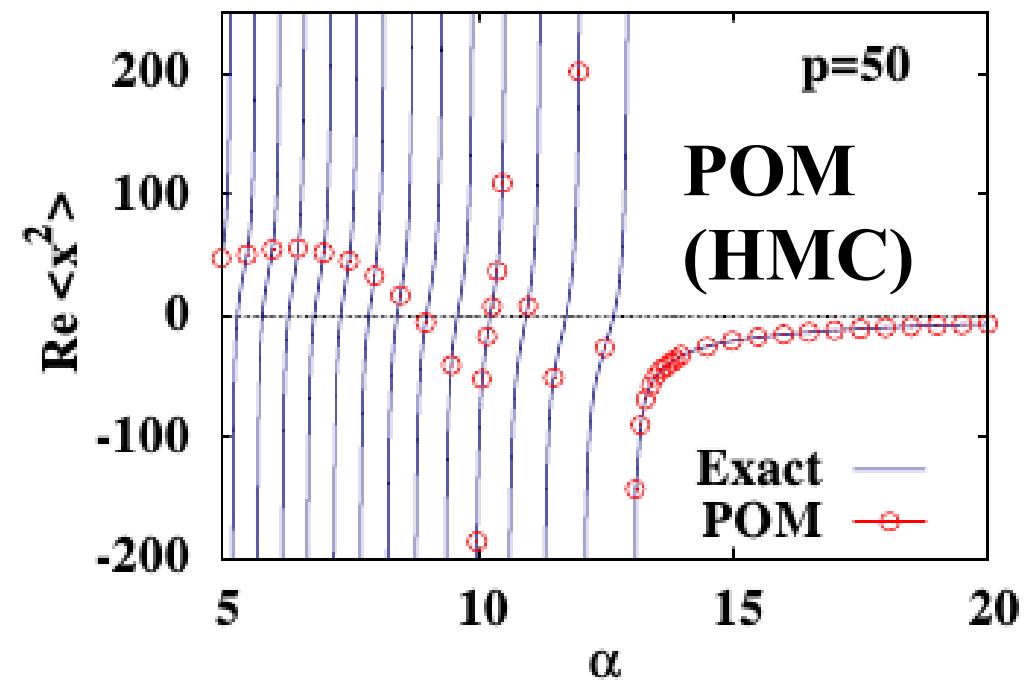
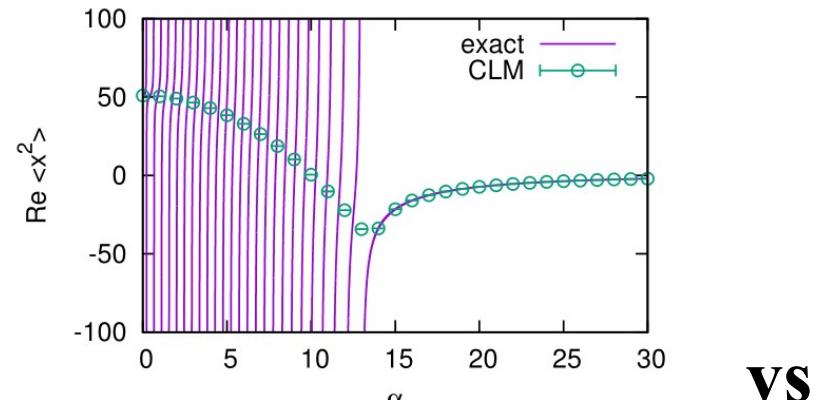


On Optimized Path

$(\times 10^{42})$

## ■ Observable

CLM *Nishimura, Shimasaki ('15)*



*Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('17); AO, Mori, Kashiwa (Lat 2017)*

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*Now it's the time to apply POM  
to field theories !*

# *Application of POM to Field Theory*

- Preparation & variation of trial fn. is tedious in multi-D systems

$$z_i(x) = x_i + i \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots} c_i(n_1 n_2 \dots) H_{n_1}(x_1) H_{n_2}(x_2) H_{n_3}(x_3) \dots$$

- Neural network

- Combination of linear and non-linear transformation.

$$a_i = g(\underline{W}_{ij}^{(1)} x_j + \underline{b}_i^{(1)}) \quad \text{parameters}$$

$$f_i = g(\underline{W}_{ij}^{(2)} a_j + \underline{b}_i^{(2)})$$

$$z_i = x_i + i(\underline{\alpha}_i f_i(x) + \underline{\beta}_i)$$

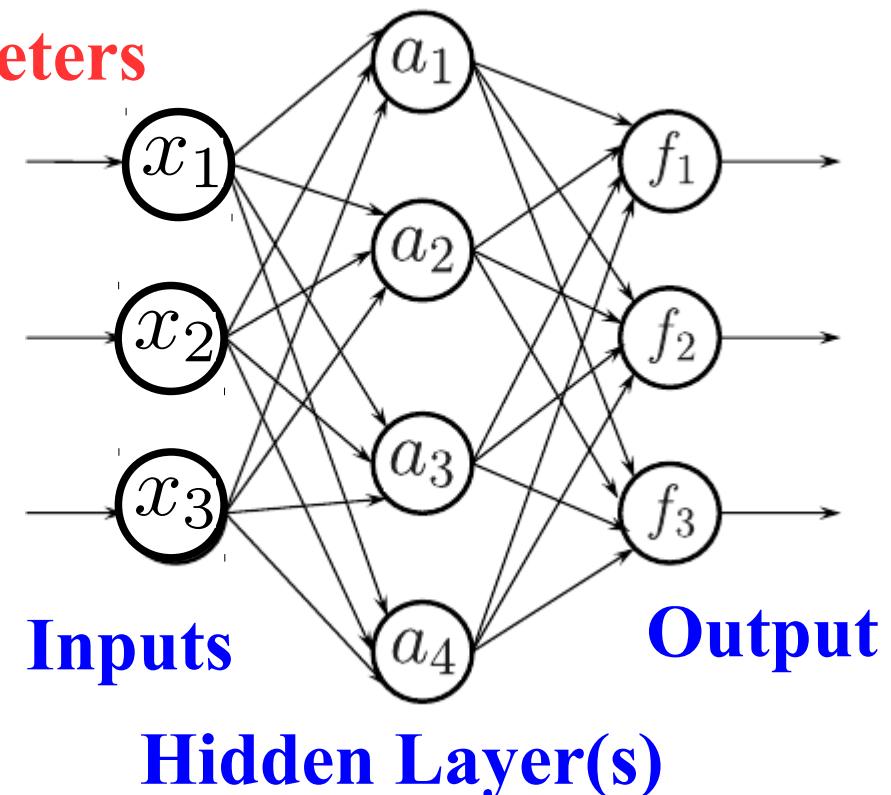
$$g(x) = \tanh x \text{ (activation fn.)}$$

- Universal approximation theorem

Any fn. can be reproduced  
at (hidden layer unit #)  $\rightarrow \infty$

G. Cybenko, MCSS 2 ('89) 303

K. Hornik, Neural Networks 4('91) 251

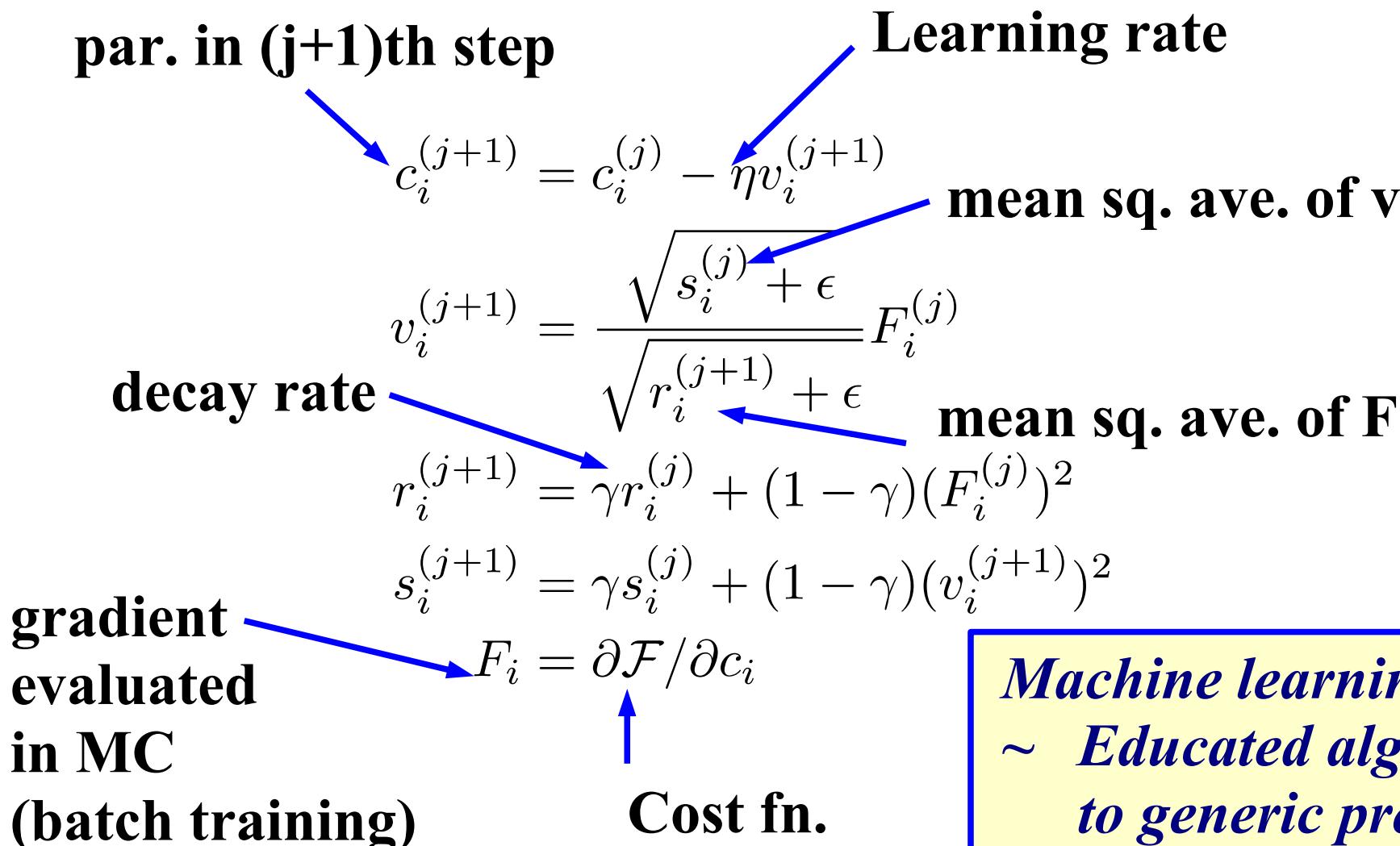


# *Optimization of many parameters*

- Stochastic Gradient Descent method, E.g. ADADELTA algorithm  
**M. D. Zeiler, arXiv:1212.5701**

Grad. Desc. :

$$dc_i/dt = -\partial \mathcal{F}/\partial c_i$$



**Machine learning**  
~ Educated algorithm  
to generic problems

# *Hybrid Monte-Carlo with Neural Network*

## Initial Config. on Real Axis

$$\text{HMC } H(x, p) = \frac{p^2}{2} + \text{Re}S(z(x))$$

Jacobian

→ via Metropolis judge

Do k = 1, N\_epoch

Do j = 1, N\_conf/N\_batch

## Mini-batch training of Neural Network

Grad. wrt parameters  
(N\_batch configs.)

$$c_i^{(j+1)} = c_i^{(j)} - \eta v_i^{(j+1)}$$

$$F_i = \frac{1}{N_{\text{batch}}} \sum_n \partial \mathcal{F}(n) / \partial c_i$$

Enddo

## New N\_conf configs. by HMC

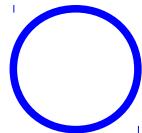
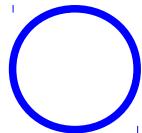
$$H(x, p) = \frac{p^2}{2} + \text{Re}S(z(x))$$

Enddo

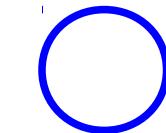
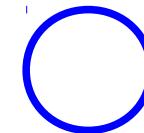
N\_batch ~ 10, N\_conf ~ 10,000, N\_epoch ~ (10-20)

# *Optimized Path by Neural Network*

**Neural Network**



**Gaussian  
+Gradient Descent**



*Optimized paths are different,  
but both reproduce thimbles around the fixed points !*

*AO, Mori, Kashiwa (Lat 2017)*

*A. Ohnishi, FLQCD, Apr. 19, 2019* 65

# *Comments in order*

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- Neural Network in POM → Unsupervised Learning
  - We do not prepare “Teacher data” with problems and answers, but we prepare “Training data”.
  - When APF increases, we can judge that “NN learned”.  
c.f. Learnifold: Machine learning of GTM manifold  
(Alexandru (Tue))
- Sign problem ~ (almost) “NP hard” problem
  - Once the optimized path (answer) is given, we can examine the result (average phase factor) in MC simulations.

# *Application to complex $\varphi^4$ theory using neural network*

*Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PTEP 2018 ('18), 023B04 [arXiv:1709.03208]*

# Complex $\phi^4$ theory at finite $\mu$

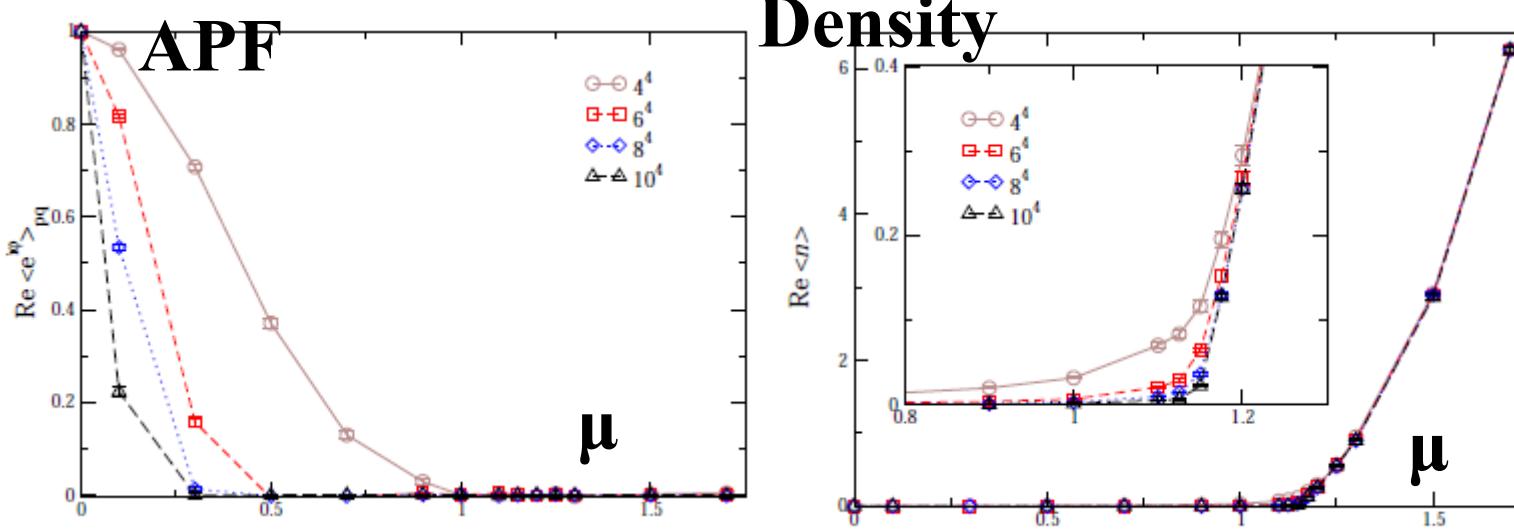
## ■ Complex $\phi^4$ theory

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^* \phi - \lambda (\phi^* \phi)^2$$

## ■ Action on Euclidean lattice at finite $\mu$ .

$$S = \sum_x \left[ \frac{(4+m^2)}{2} \phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x} + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x})^2 - \phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x+\hat{1}} - \cosh \mu \phi_{a,x} \phi_{a,x+\hat{0}} \right. \\ \left. + i \epsilon_{ab} \sinh \mu \phi_{a,x} \phi_{b,x+\hat{0}} \right] \left( \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi_1 + i \phi_2) \right)$$

**complex**                           **Complexify**



Complex  
Langevin  
& Lefschetz  
thimble  
work.

G. Aarts, PRL102('09)131601; H. Fujii, et al., JHEP 1310 (2013) 147

# *POM result (1): Average phase factor*

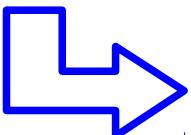
## ■ POM for 1+1D $\phi^4$ theory

- $4^2, 6^2, 8^2$  lattices,  $\lambda=m=1$
- $\mu_c \sim 0.96$  in the mean field approximation
- Enhancement of the average phase factor after optimization.

APF

APF

$\mu$

Optimization 

$\mu$

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# POM result (2): Density

- Results on the real axis

Small average phase factor, Large errors of density

- On the optimized path

Finite average phase factor, Small errors

## Mean Field App.

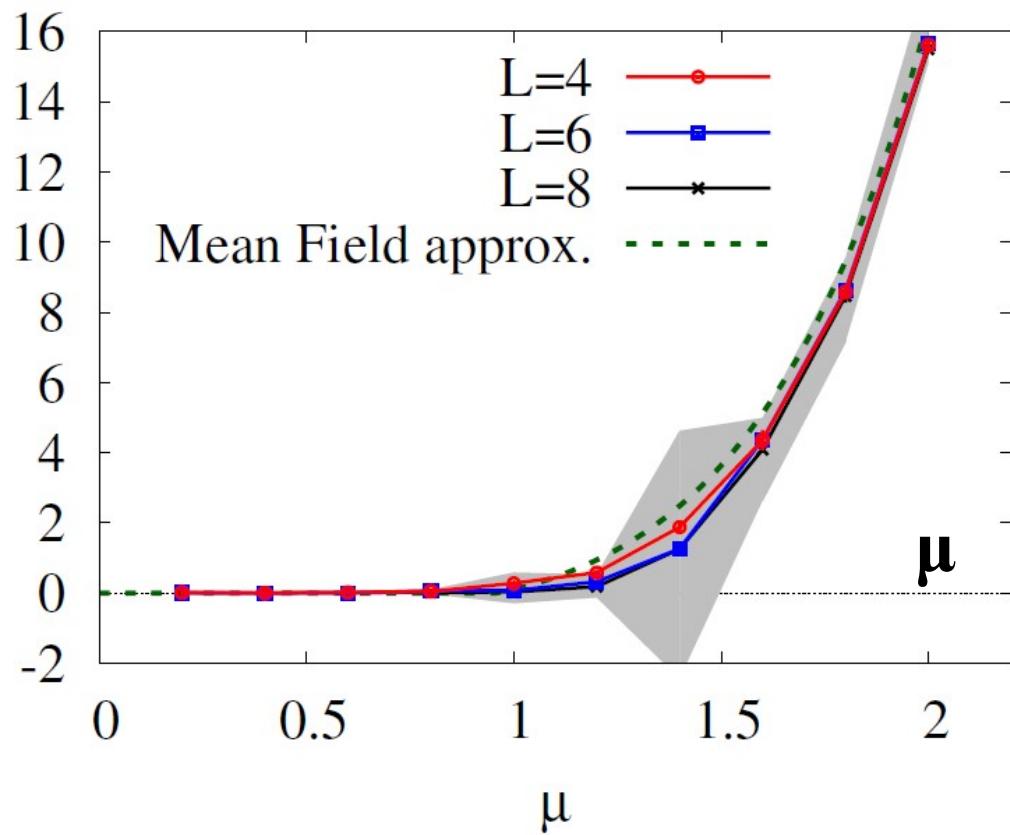
$$\frac{S}{V} = \left(1 + \frac{m^2}{2} - \cosh \mu\right) \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 ,$$

$$n = \phi^2 \sinh \mu ,$$

$$\phi_{\text{stat.}}^2 = \begin{cases} 0 & (|\mu| < \mu_c) , \\ \frac{2}{\lambda} (\cosh \mu - 1 - \frac{m^2}{2}) & (|\mu| \geq \mu_c) , \end{cases}$$

Density

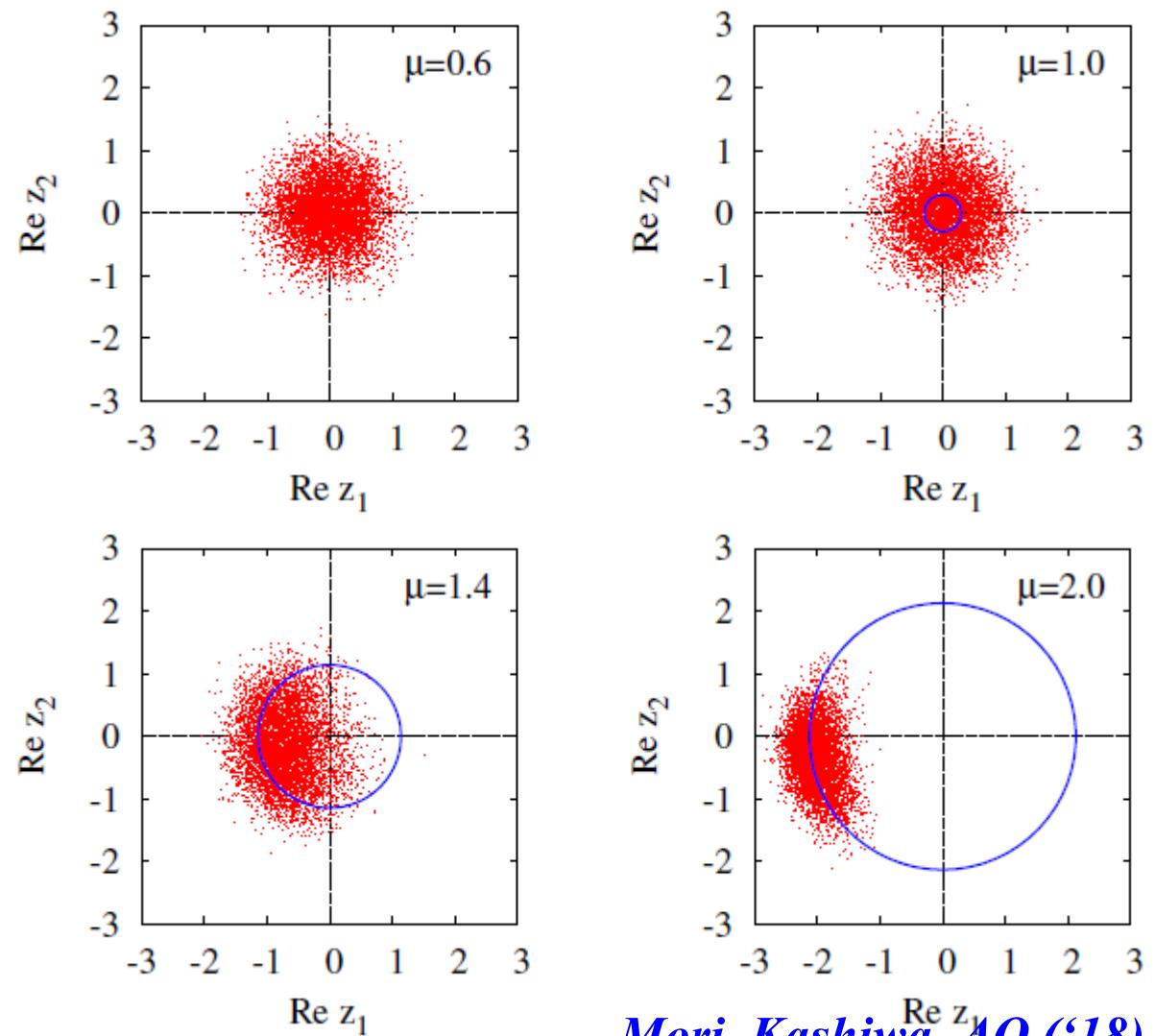
$\text{Re} \langle n \rangle$



Mori, Kashiwa, AO ('18)

# *POM result (3): Configurations*

- Updated configurations after optimization  
→ sampled around the mean field results
- Global U(1) symmetry in  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  is broken(\*) by the optimization or by the sampling.



\* This does not contradict the Elitzur's theorem.

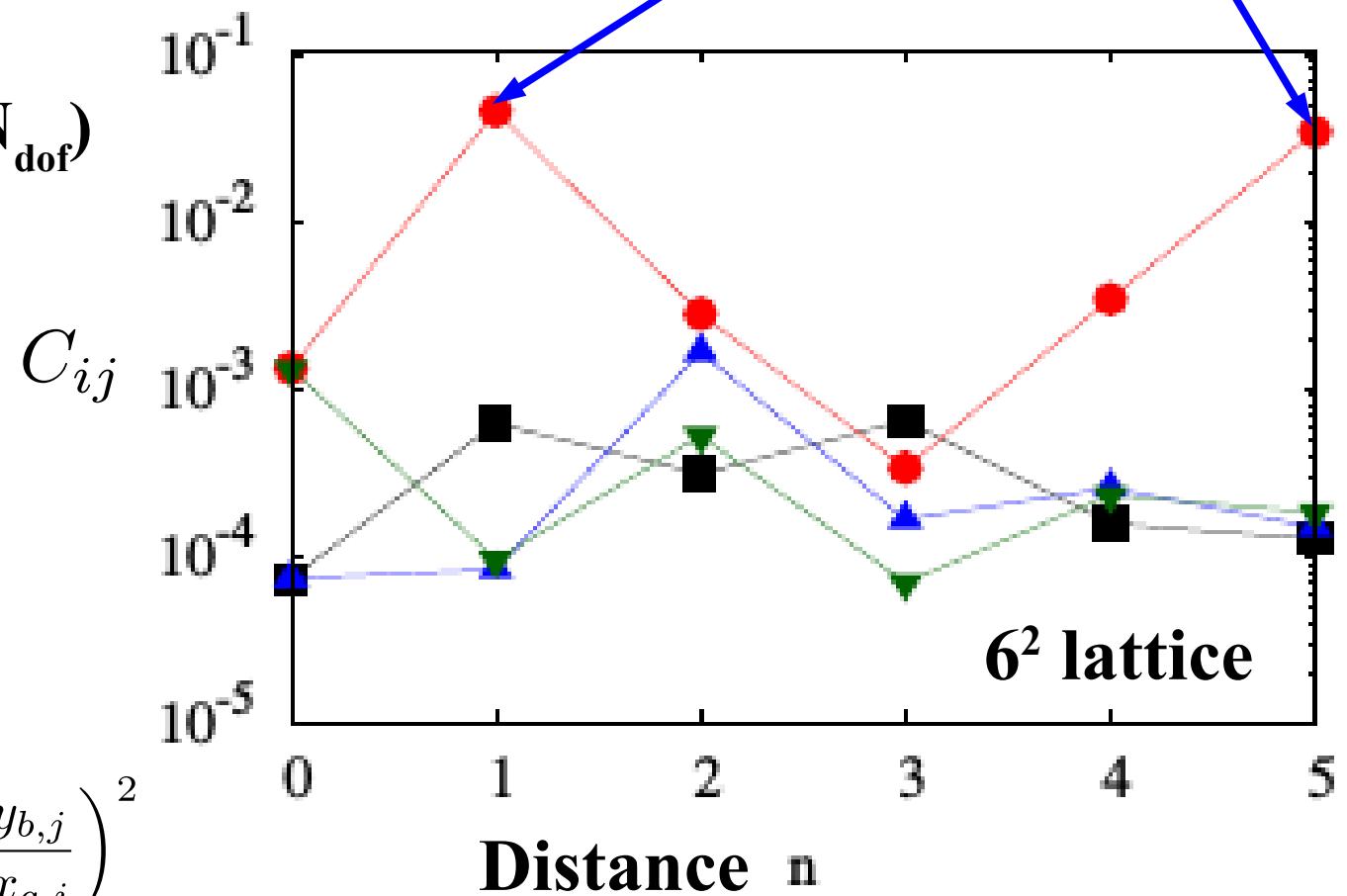
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# Which y's should be optimized ?

- Correlation btw  $(z_1, z_2)$  of temporal nearest neighbor sites are strong. Other correlations  $\sim 10^{-2}$  times smaller

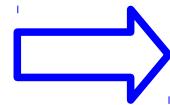
$$\text{Im}(S) = \sum_x \epsilon_{ab} \sinh \mu \phi_{a,x} \phi_{b,x+\hat{0}}$$

- Hope to reduce the cost to be  $O(N_{\text{dof}})$



Y. Mori, Master thesis

# *Application to Gauge Theory: 1 dimensional QCD*



Next Talk (by Yuto Mori)

*Y. Mori, K Kashiwa, AO, in prep.*

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# *Application to Effective Models with Phase Transition*

*Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO, PLB 781('18), 698 [arXiv:1705.03646]  
K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, arXiv:1805.08940 and in prep.*

# Complexified Variable Methods with Phase Transition

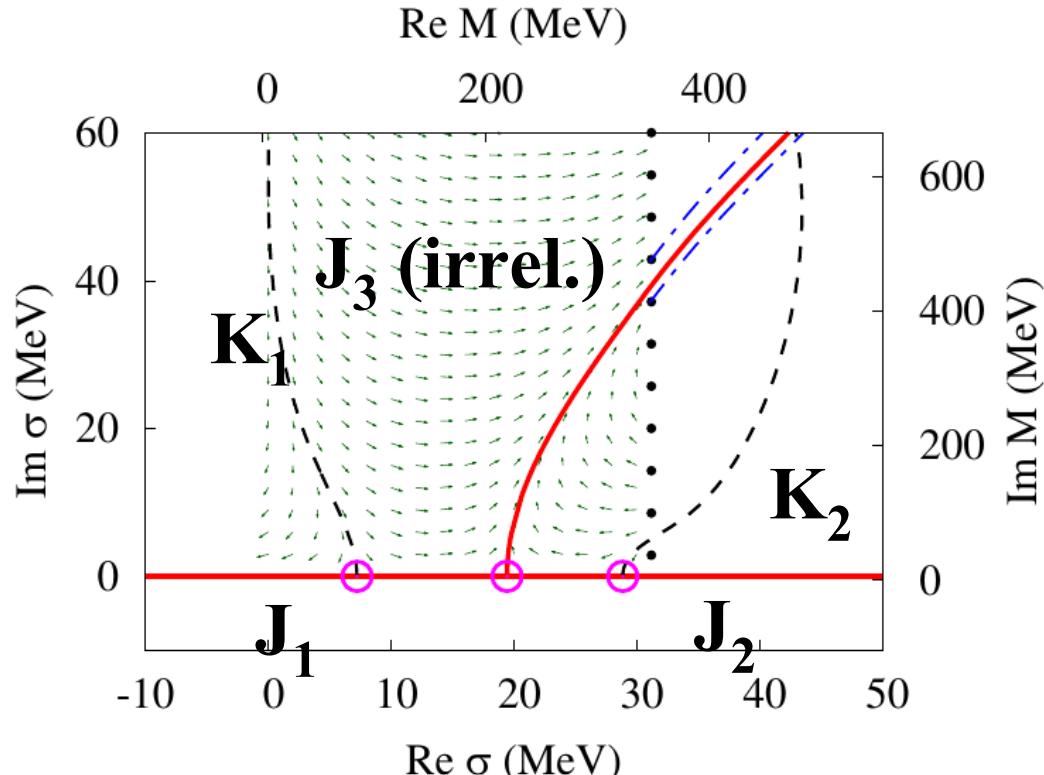
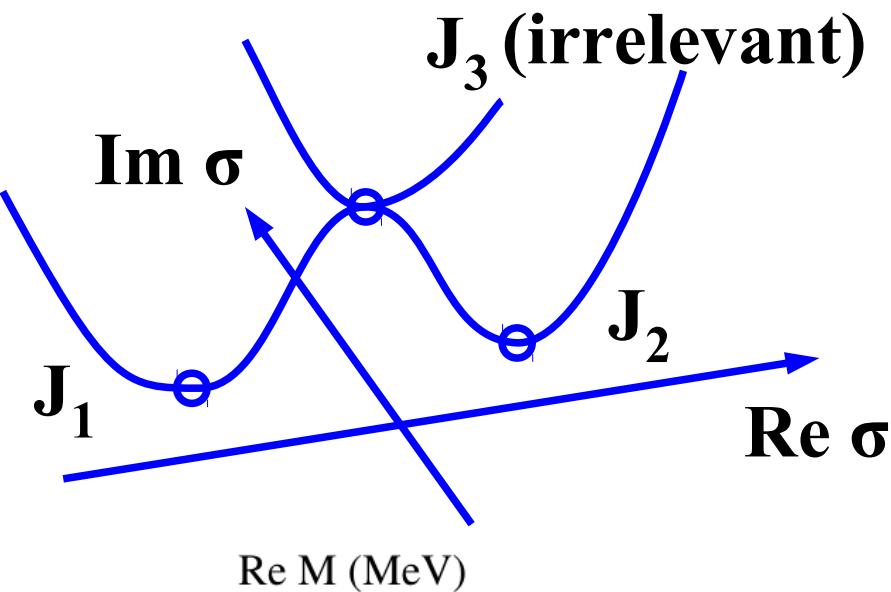
## ■ Phase transition

- Transition of the dominant weight from a thimble to another thimble.
- Thimble structure would be complicated.

## ■ Thimbles in Nambu-Jona-Lasinio model *Mori et al. ('18b)*

- Complicated structure with many cuts from log.

*Does POM work  
in Eff. models with P.T. ?*



*Y. Mori, K. Kashiwa, AO,  
PLB 781('18),698 [arXiv:1705.03646]*

# *Application to PNJL*

- Polyakov-loop implemented NJL model  
with homogeneous auxiliary field anzats of  $(\sigma, \pi, \Phi, \bar{\Phi})$ .

$$\Gamma_{\text{PNJL}} = \int d^4x \left[ \bar{q}(-i \not{D} + m_0 - \mu \gamma_0)q - G \left\{ (\bar{q}q)^2 + (\bar{q}i\vec{\tau}q)^2 \right\} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{V}{T} \mathcal{V}_\Phi(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) \simeq \frac{V}{T} [\mathcal{V}_{\text{NJL}} + \mathcal{V}_\Phi] \quad \text{Pol. loop pot.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_{\text{NJL}} &= -2N_f \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ N_c \underline{E_p} - N_c \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{m}_0^2} + T \log \underline{f^- f^+} \right] \\ &+ G(\sigma^2 + \vec{\pi}^2) \quad \sigma, \pi \quad \sigma, \pi, \Phi, \bar{\Phi} \end{aligned}$$

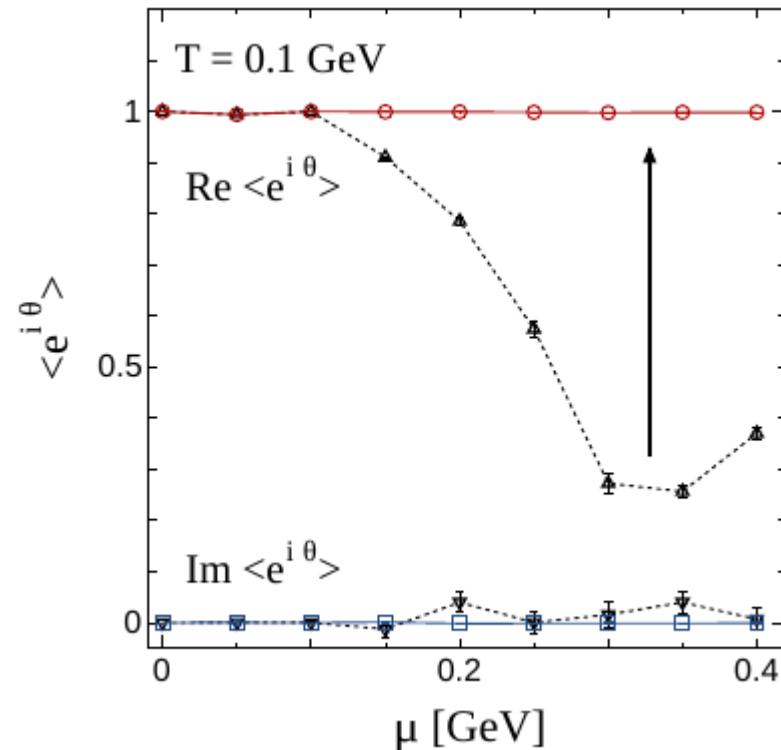
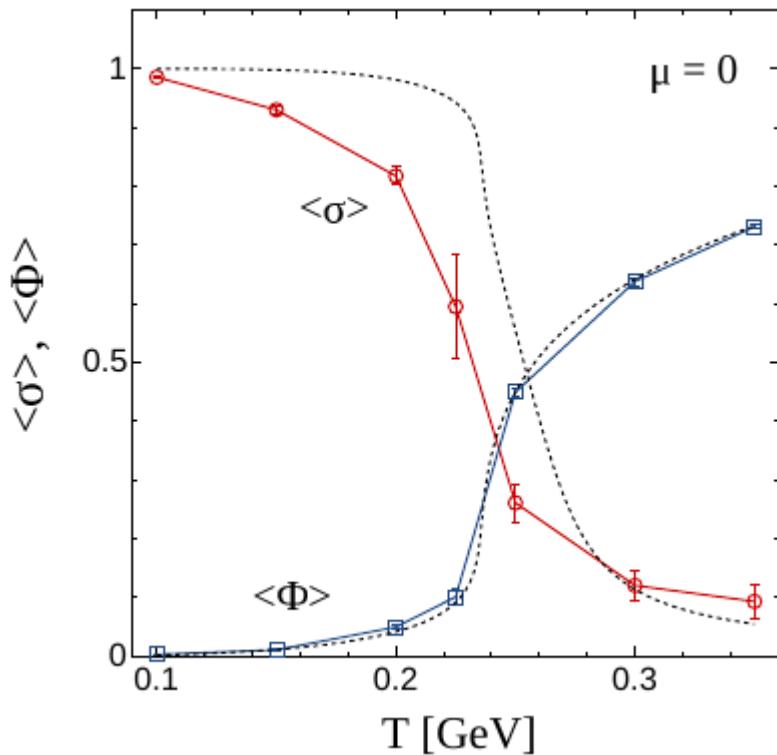
- Action ( $\Gamma$ ) has the imaginary part.
- The sign problem exists at finite volume.  
(Mean field becomes exact at infinite volume.)

*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, arXiv:1805.08940.*

# *Application to PNJL*

## ■ Path optimization for $(A_3, A_8)$ with $V=k/T^3$ , $k=64$ .

- Transition from Confined NG phase to Deconfined Wigner phase
- Ave. Phase Factor  $\sim 0.25$  around P.T.  $\rightarrow \sim 1$  after optimization



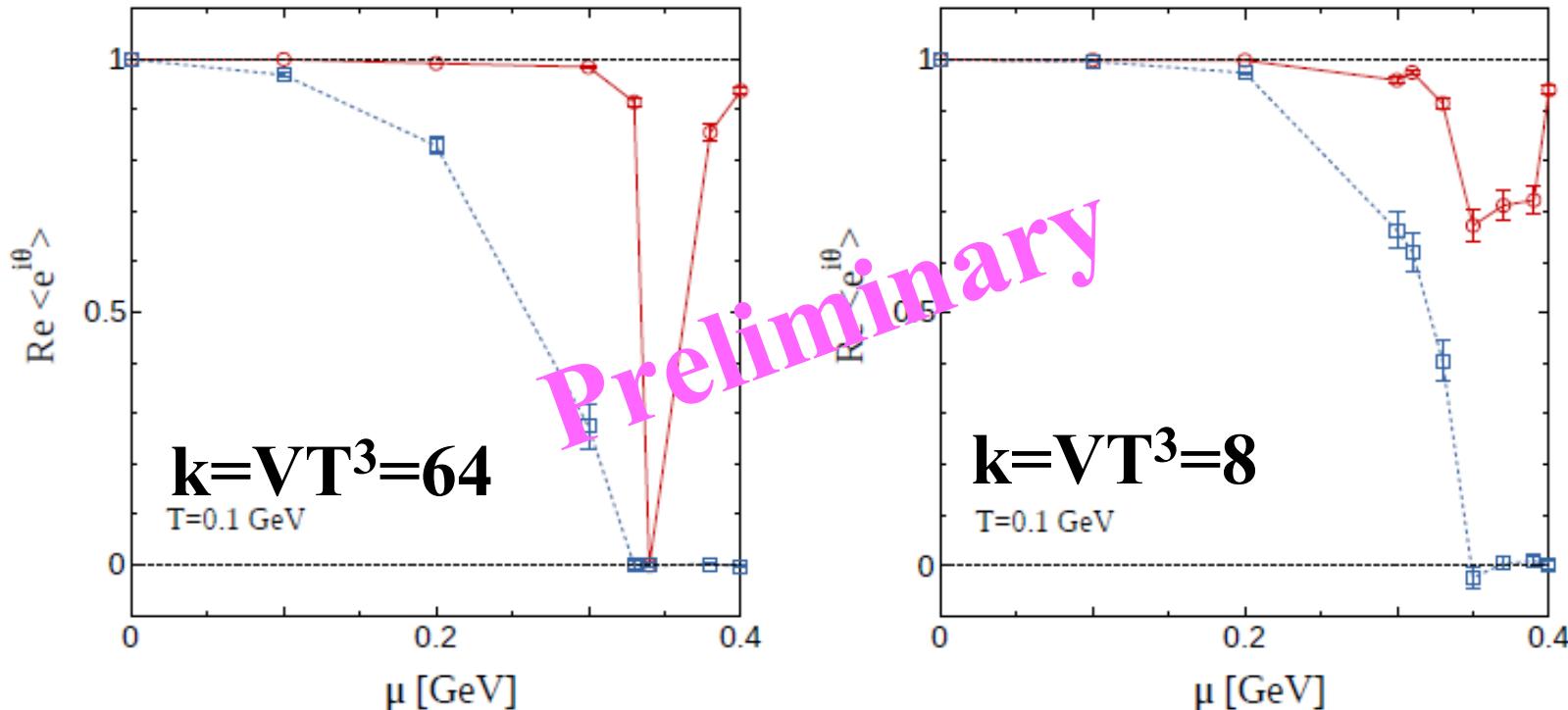
*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, arXiv:1805.08940.*

# PNJL with Vector Coupling

## ■ Action of PNJL model with vector coupling

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{\text{PNJL}_V} &= \Gamma_{\text{PNJL}} + G_v \int d^4x [(\bar{q}\gamma_0 q)^2 - (\bar{q}\gamma_i q)^2] \\ &\simeq -\log \det D + \int d^4x (G(\sigma^2 + \vec{\pi}^2) + G_v \omega_\mu^2) + \frac{V}{T} \mathcal{V}_\Phi(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) \\ D &= -i \not{D} + m_0 + 2G\sigma - \gamma_0(\mu - \underline{2iG_v\omega_4}) - 2iG\gamma_5 \vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\tau} + 2G_v \gamma_i \omega_i\end{aligned}$$

**Wick rotated vector field → Complex Action**



*K. Kashiwa, Y. Mori, AO, in prep.*

# *Discussions*

# Frequently Asked Questions

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- How many parameters do you have ?  
→ Many ;) For generic trial function ( $V = \# \text{ of variables}$ )

$$y_i = y_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_V)$$

$$N_{\text{par}} = (N_{\text{layer}} + 1) \times V \times (N_{\text{unit}} + 1) + 2V$$

- How about the numerical cost ?  
→ A lot ;) Derivative of  $J$  with respect to parameters cost most.

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial c_i} = J \frac{\partial J_{jk}^{-1}}{\partial z_l} \frac{\partial z_l}{\partial c_i} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(V^3)$$

- It is still polynomial.  
Does the sign problem becomes “P” problem?  
→ No. The average phase factor is still  $\exp(-\# V)$ .  
If extrapolation is possible from finite  $V$ , we have a hope.
- How can we reduce the cost ? → Next page

# How can we reduce the numerical cost ?

- Restrict the function form of  $y(x)$ .

- Imaginary part is a function of its real part.

*E.g. Alexandru, Bedaque, Lamm, Lawrence, PRD97('18)094510*

Thirring model, 1+1D QED

$$y_i = f(x_i), f(x) = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 \cos x$$

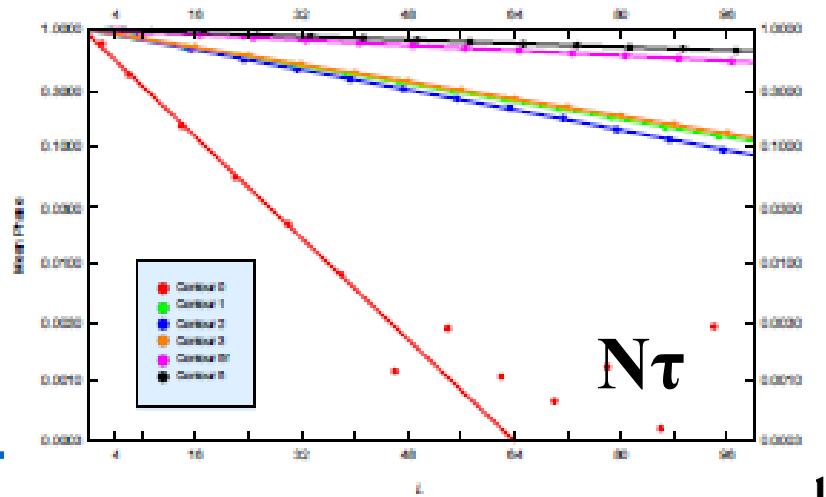
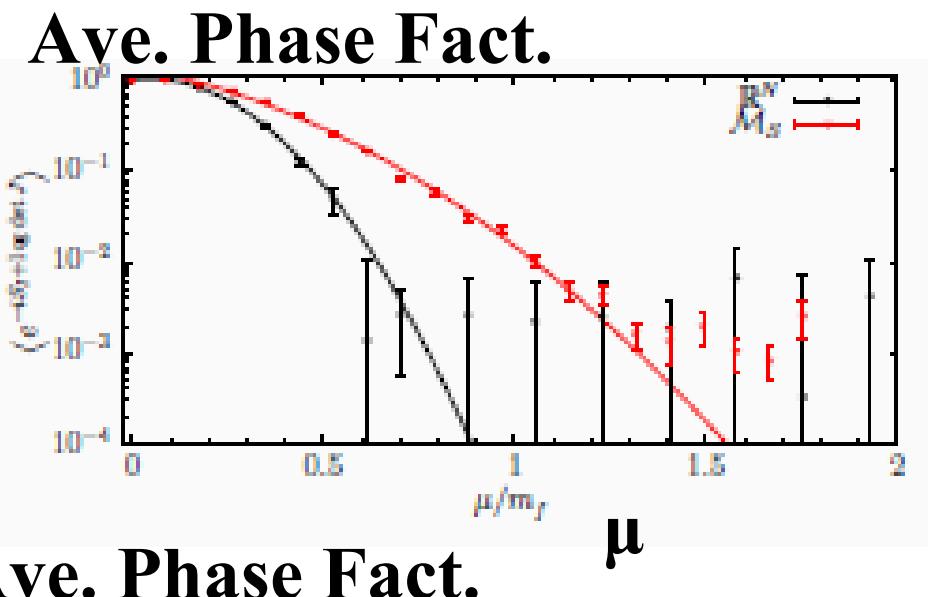
- Nearest neighbor site

*F. Bursa, M. Kroyter, arXiv:1805.04941*

0+1 D  $\phi^4$  theory

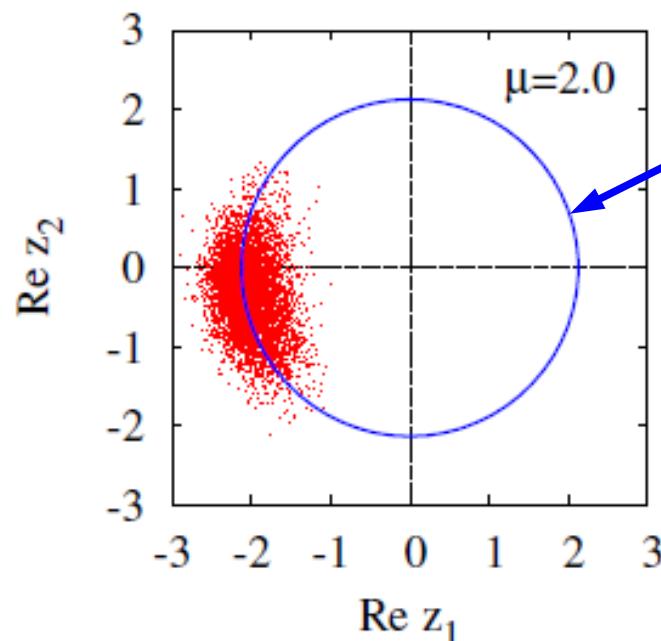
Translational inv. + U(1) sym.

$$y_{a,i} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ab}x_{a,i+1}}{1 + x_{1,i}^2 + x_{2,i}^2}$$



## Frequently Asked Questions (cont.)

- What happens when we have  $10^{10}$  fixed points ?
  - In that case we should give up. (My answer @ Lattice 2017)
  - If those fixed points are connected by the symmetry, we may be able to perform path optimization.



**Mean field results**  
= Degenerate fixed points  
(All have the same  $\theta$ .)

If they have different complex phases, the global sign problem emerges and the partition function would be almost zero.

E.g. H. Fujii, S. Kamata, Y. Kikukawa, arXiv:1710.08524

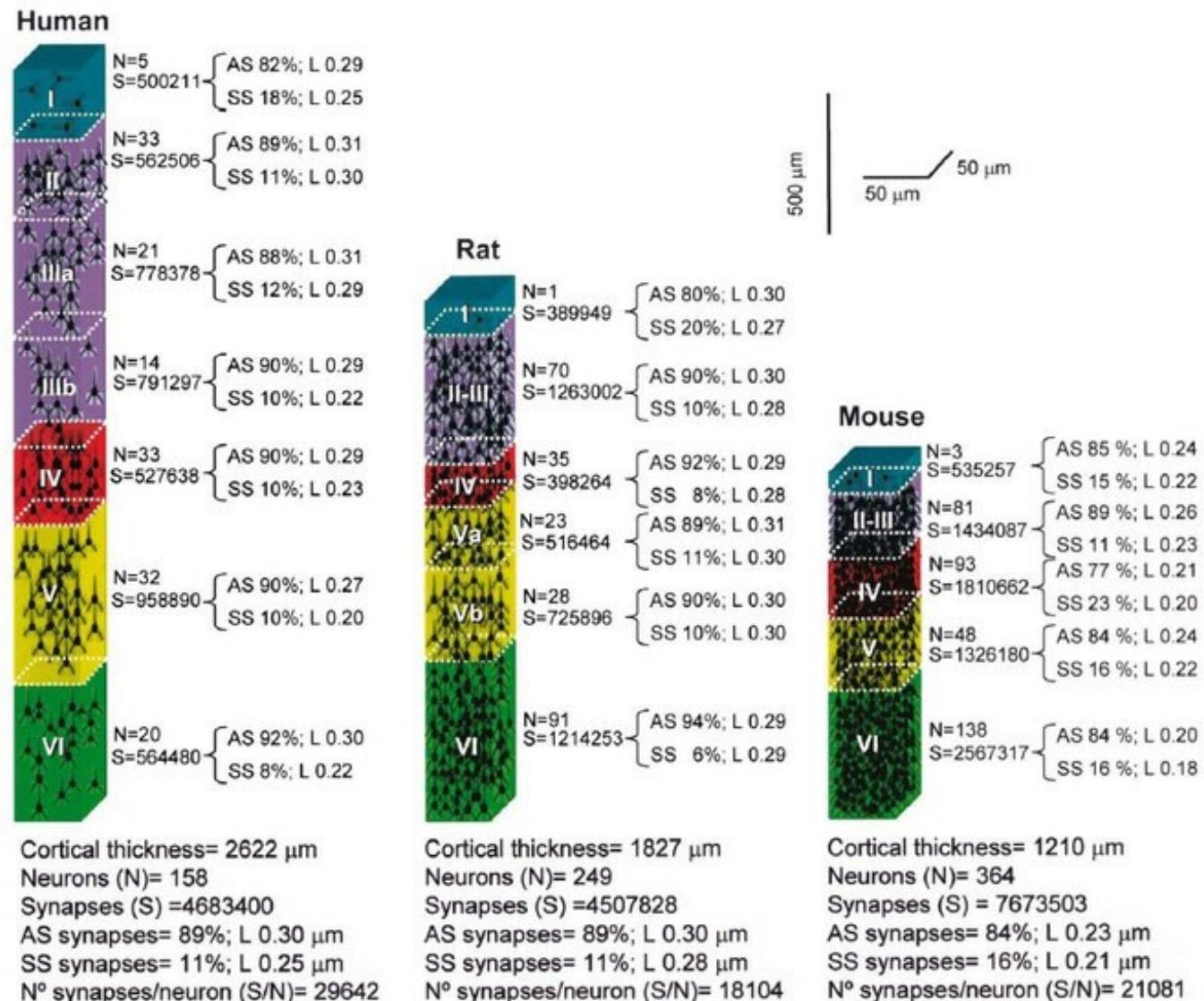
# *Summary*

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- The sign problem is a grand challenge in theoretical physics, and appears in many fields of physics.  
Complexified variable methods (CLM, LTM, GTM, POM) would be promising to evade the sign problem.
- Path optimization with the use of the neural network is demonstrated to work in field theories having many variables.
  - 1+1D  $\phi^4$  theory at finite  $\mu$  (neural network)
  - 0+1D QCD w/ fermions (2D mesh, neural network)
  - 3+1D homogeneous PNJL (neural network)
- Neural network (single hidden layer) is the simplest device of machine learning, and it helps us to generate and optimize generic multi-variable functions,  $y_i = y_i(\{x\})$ .
- Gauge fields (link variables or Polyakov loop) and Repulsive interaction makes the sign problem more severe.

# Layers in Human Brain

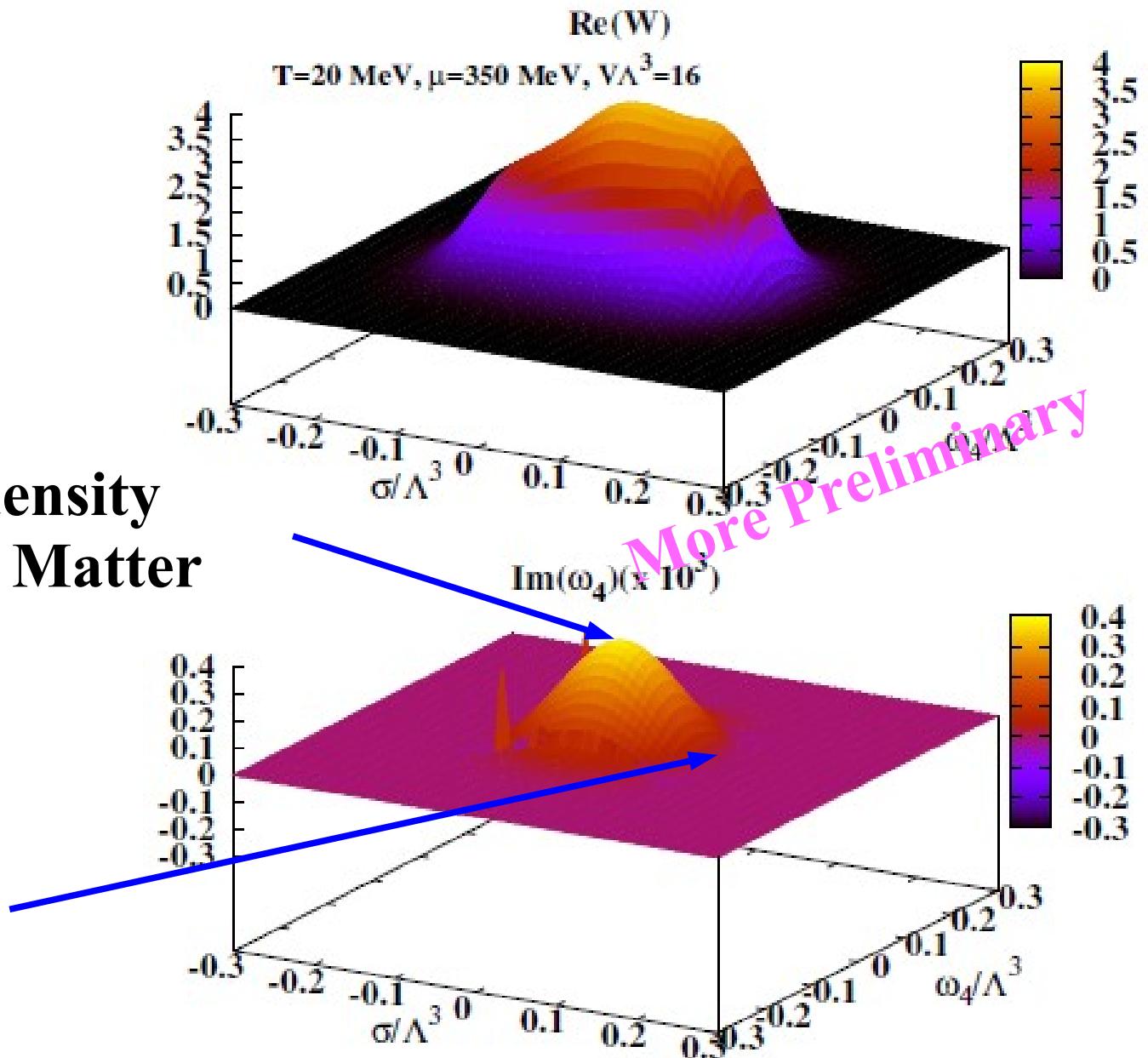
- Defelipe 2011a (Review). The evolution of the brain, the human nature of cortical circuits, and intellectual creativity. Front Neuroanat 5, 29.



# Config. dep. vector field shift ?

High density  
Quark Matter

Low density  
Nuclear Matter



# *Application to Gauge Theory: 1 dimensional QCD*

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# 0+1 dimensional QCD

- 0+1 dimensional QCD (1 dim. QCD)  
with one species of staggered fermion on a 1xN lattice

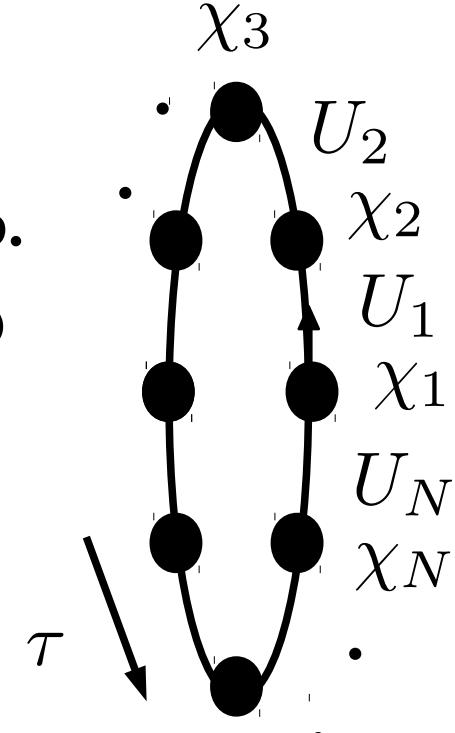
$$S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\tau} (\bar{\chi}_{\tau} e^{\mu} U_{\tau} \chi_{\tau + \hat{0}} - \bar{\chi}_{\tau + \hat{0}} e^{-\mu} U_{\tau}^{-1} \chi_{\tau}) + m \sum_{\tau} \bar{\chi}_{\tau} \chi_{\tau} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\chi} D \chi$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}U \det D[U] = \int dU \det [X_N + (-1)^N e^{\mu/T} U + e^{-\mu/T} U^{-1}]$$

$$X_N = 2 \cosh(E/T) , \quad E = \operatorname{arcsinh} m , \quad U = U_1 U_2 \cdots U_N , \quad T = 1/N$$

*Bilic+'88), Ravagli+'07), Aarts+'10, CLM), Bloch+'13, subset),  
Schmidt+'16, LTM), Di Renzo+'17, LTM)*

- A toy model, but the actual source of QCD sign prob.
- Studied well in the context of strong coupling LQCD  
*E.g. Miura, Nakano, AO, Kawamoto('09,'09,'17),  
de Forcrand, Langelage, Philipsen, Unger ('14)*



# 1 dim. QCD in diagonal gauge

## ■ Diagonal gauge

$$U = (e^{iz_1}, e^{iz_2}, e^{iz_3}) \quad (z_1 + z_2 + z_3 = 0)$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dU e^{-S(U)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} dx_1 dx_2 H(x) e^{-S(x)} = \int_{\mathbb{C}} dz_1 dz_2 H(z) e^{-S(z)}$$

$$= \int dx_1 dx_2 \det \left( \frac{\partial z_a}{\partial x_b} \right) \underbrace{\left[ \frac{8}{3\pi^2} \prod_{a < b} \sin^2 \left( \frac{z_a - z_b}{2} \right) \right]}_{\text{Haar measure}} \underbrace{\left[ \prod_a (X_N + 2 \cos(z_a - i\mu)) \right]}_{\exp(-S)}$$

Jacobian

Haar measure

exp(-S)

## ■ Path optimization (t: fictitious time)

→  $y(x_1, x_2)$  itself is the parameter on the  $(x_1, x_2)$  mesh point

$$z_i = x_i + iy_1, \quad y_i = y_i(x_1, x_2)$$

$$\frac{dy_i}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{Z}_{pq}}{\partial y_i}, \quad \mathcal{Z}_{pq} = \int dx_1 dx_2 |JH| e^{-S}$$

# *Path Opt. of 1 dim. QCD in diagonal temporal gauge*

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## ■ Path optimization

- Average phase factor  $> 0.99 \rightarrow$  Easily achieved
- $\exp(-S)$  and Haar Measure  $\rightarrow$  “six pads” *Schmidt+('16, LTM)*

APF

fictitious time

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# 1 dim. QCD with Hybrid MC

## Concern...

- Six pads are separated by the Haar measure barrier.

Symmetry :  $S(-z) = (S(z^*))^*$ ,  $z_i \leftrightarrow z_j$  ( $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ )

**Do we need exchange MC or different tempering ?**

*E.g. Fukuma, Matsumoto, Umeda ('17)*

## Hybrid Monte-Carlo in 1 dim. QCD

$$U \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(U) = U \prod_{a=1}^{N_c^2-1} e^{-y_a \lambda_a / 2}, \quad H = \frac{P^2}{2} + \text{Re}(S(\mathcal{U}(U)))$$

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**SL(3)**

- 8 variables → path optimization using Neural Network

# *1 dim. QCD with Hybrid MC*

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- HMC + diagonalization of the link  
→ All six pads are visited, and no Ex. MC needed.

**Mesh point + Grad. Desc.**

**HMC + NN**

*Mori, Kashiwa, AO, in prep.*