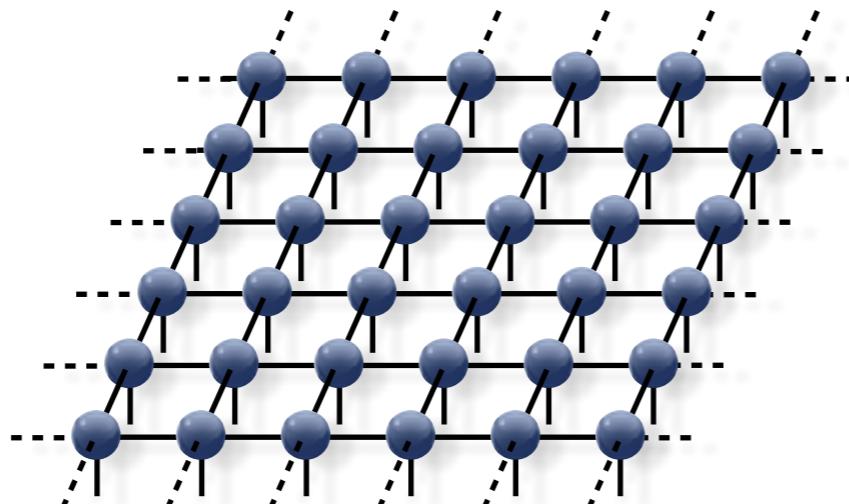


# Tensor network study of $\text{SrCu}_2(\text{BO}_3)_2$ under pressure

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**iPEPS**  
2D tensor network  
ansatz

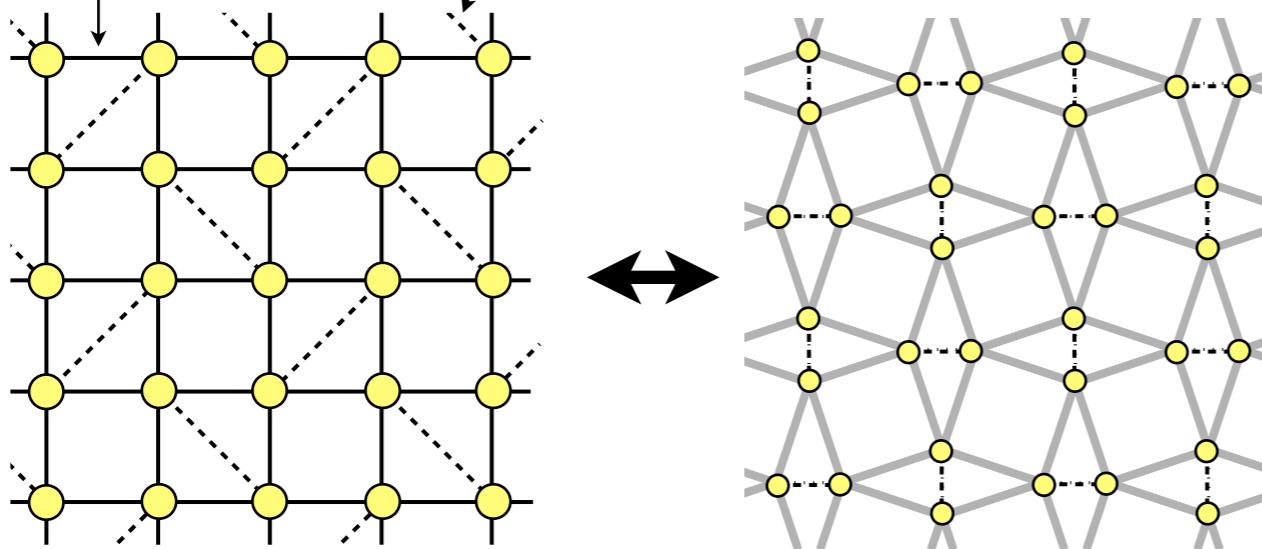
*A quantum magnetic analogue to the critical point of water*

J. L. Jiménez, **S. P. G. Crone**, E. Fogh, M. E. Zayed, R. Lortz, E. Pomjakushina, K. Conder, A. M. Läuchli, L. Weber, S. Wessel, A. Honecker, B. Normand, C. Rüegg, PC, H. M. Rønnow, and F. Mila, arXiv:2009.14492 (accepted in Nature)

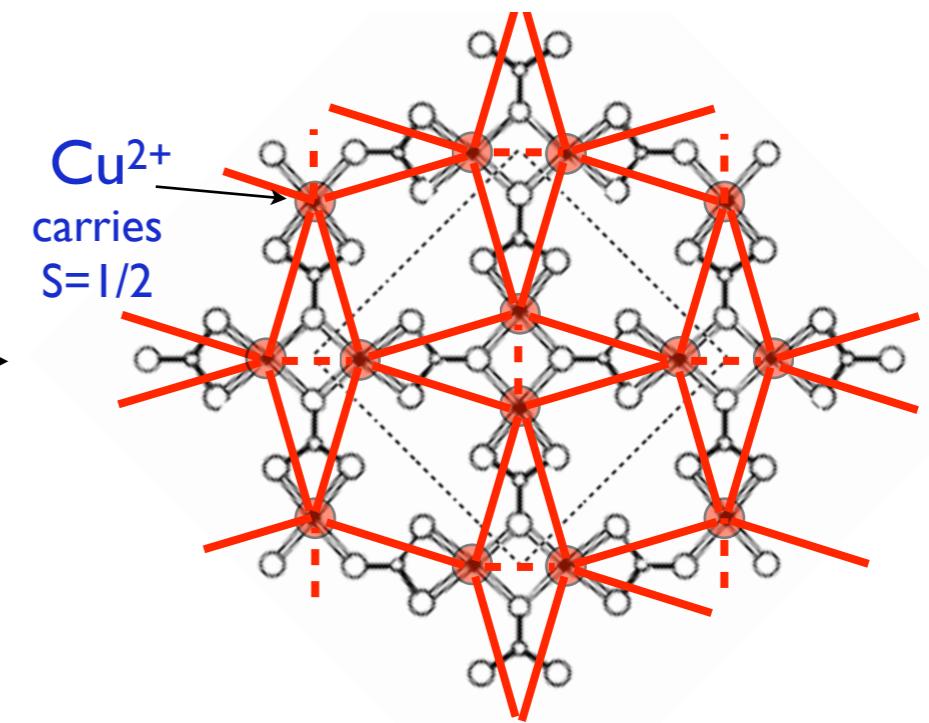


# The Shastry-Sutherland model and $\text{SrCu}_2(\text{BO}_3)_2$

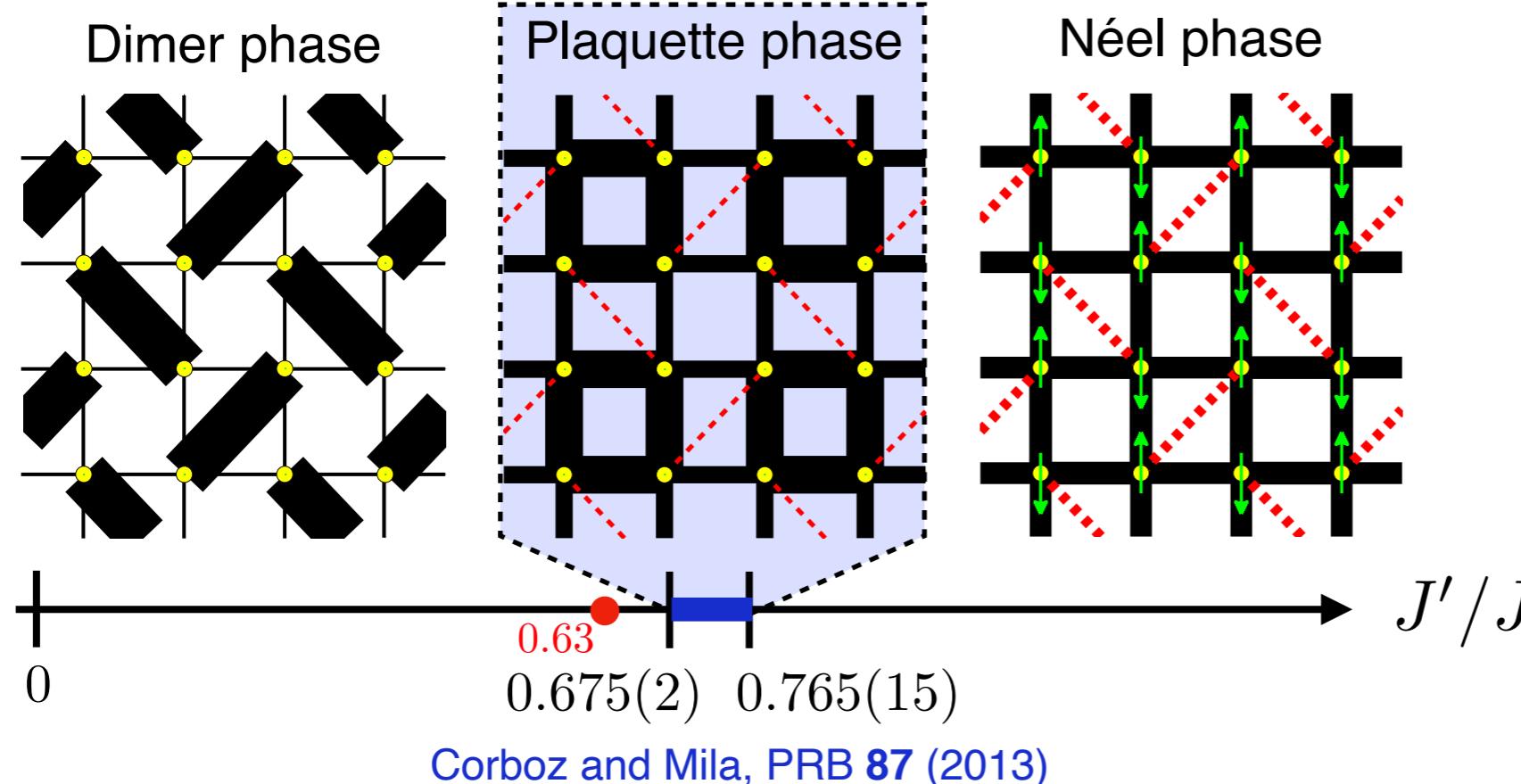
$$\hat{H} = J' \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} S_i \cdot S_j + J \sum_{\langle\langle i,j \rangle\rangle_{\text{dimer}}} S_i \cdot S_j$$



$\text{SrCu}_2(\text{BO}_3)_2$   
Spin-gap system ( $\sim 35\text{K}$ )



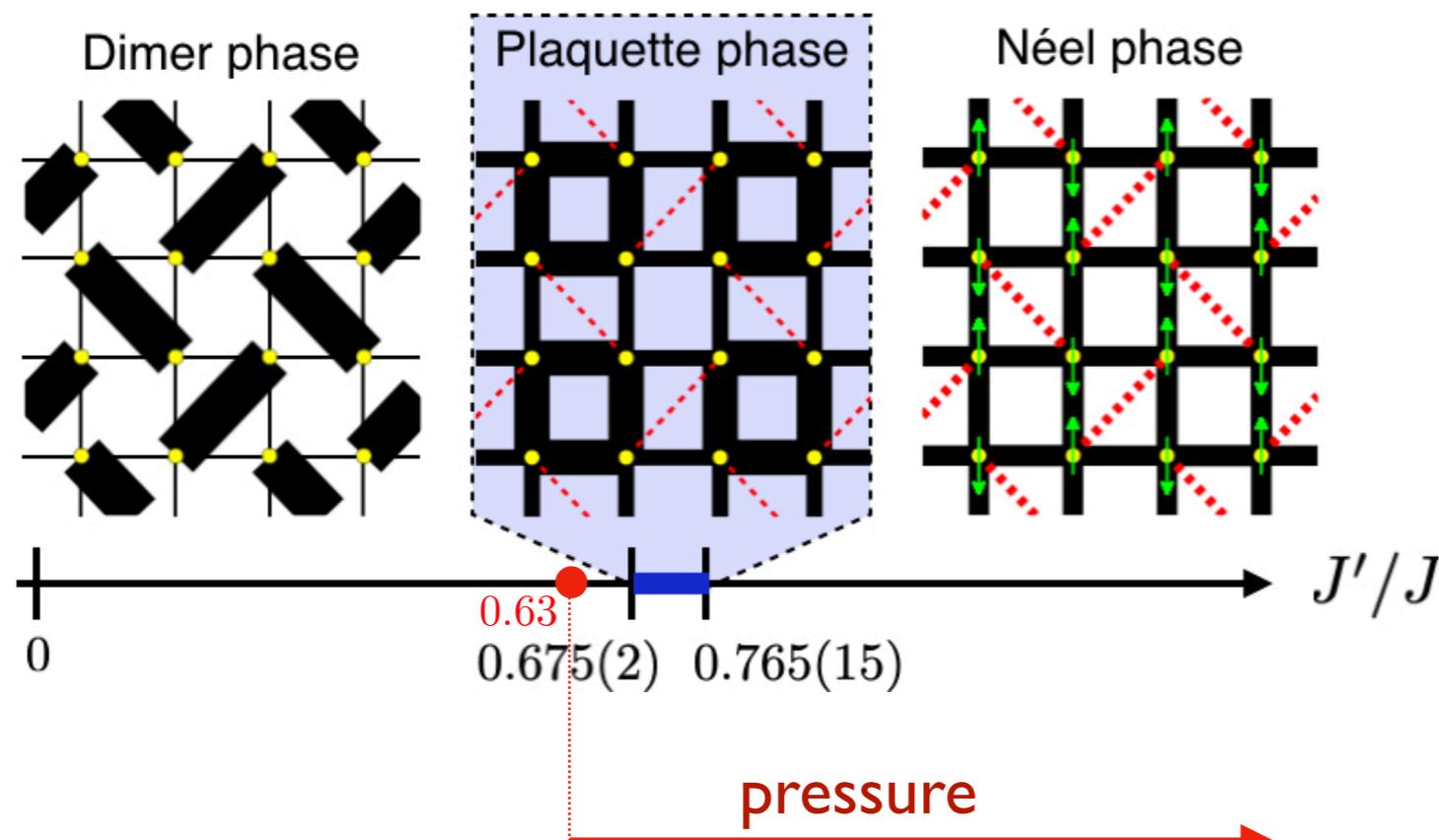
Kageyama et al. PRL 82 (1999)



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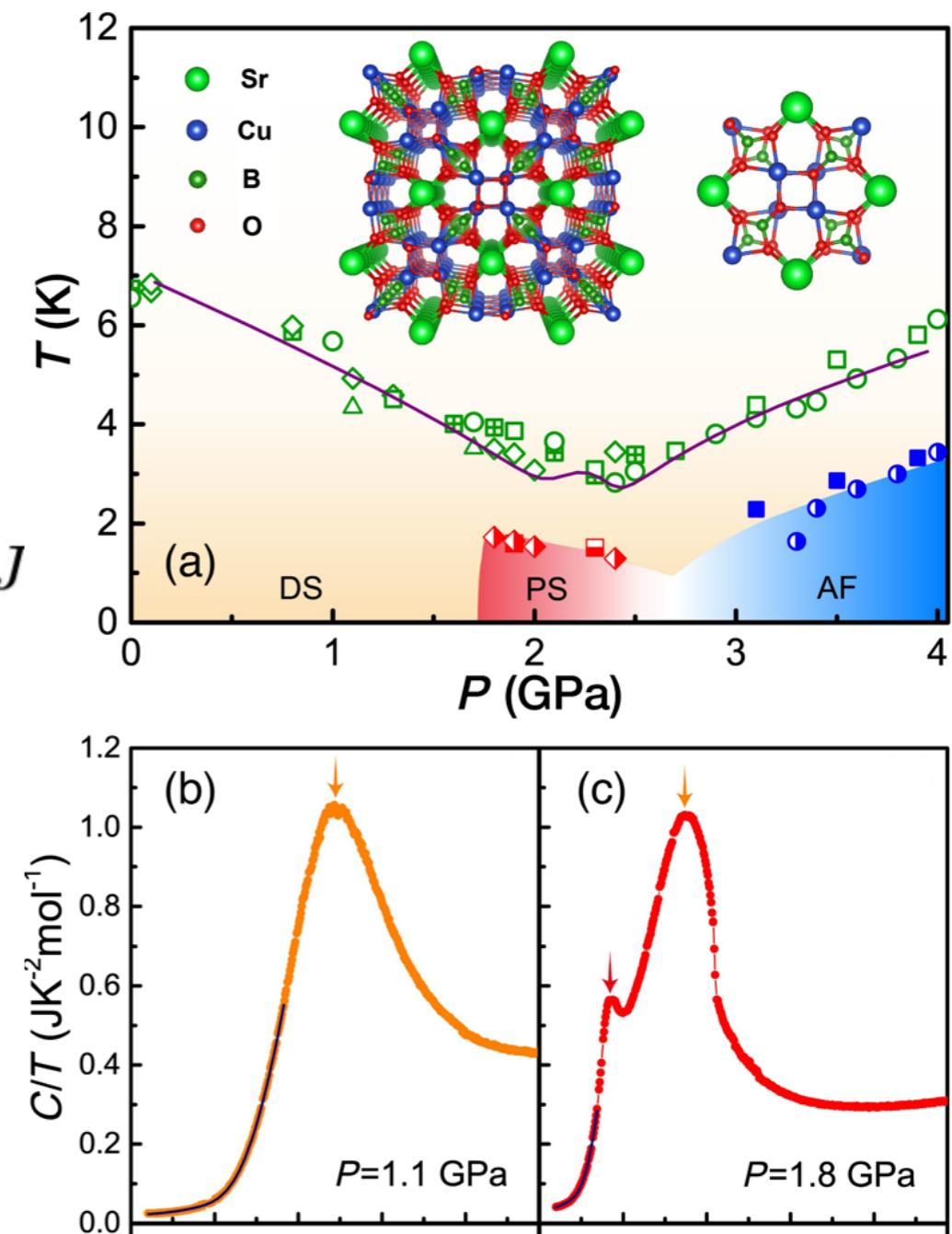
- Koga and Kawakami, PRL 84 (2000)
- Takushima et al., JPSJ 70 (2001)
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# $\text{SrCu}_2(\text{BO}_3)_2$ under pressure



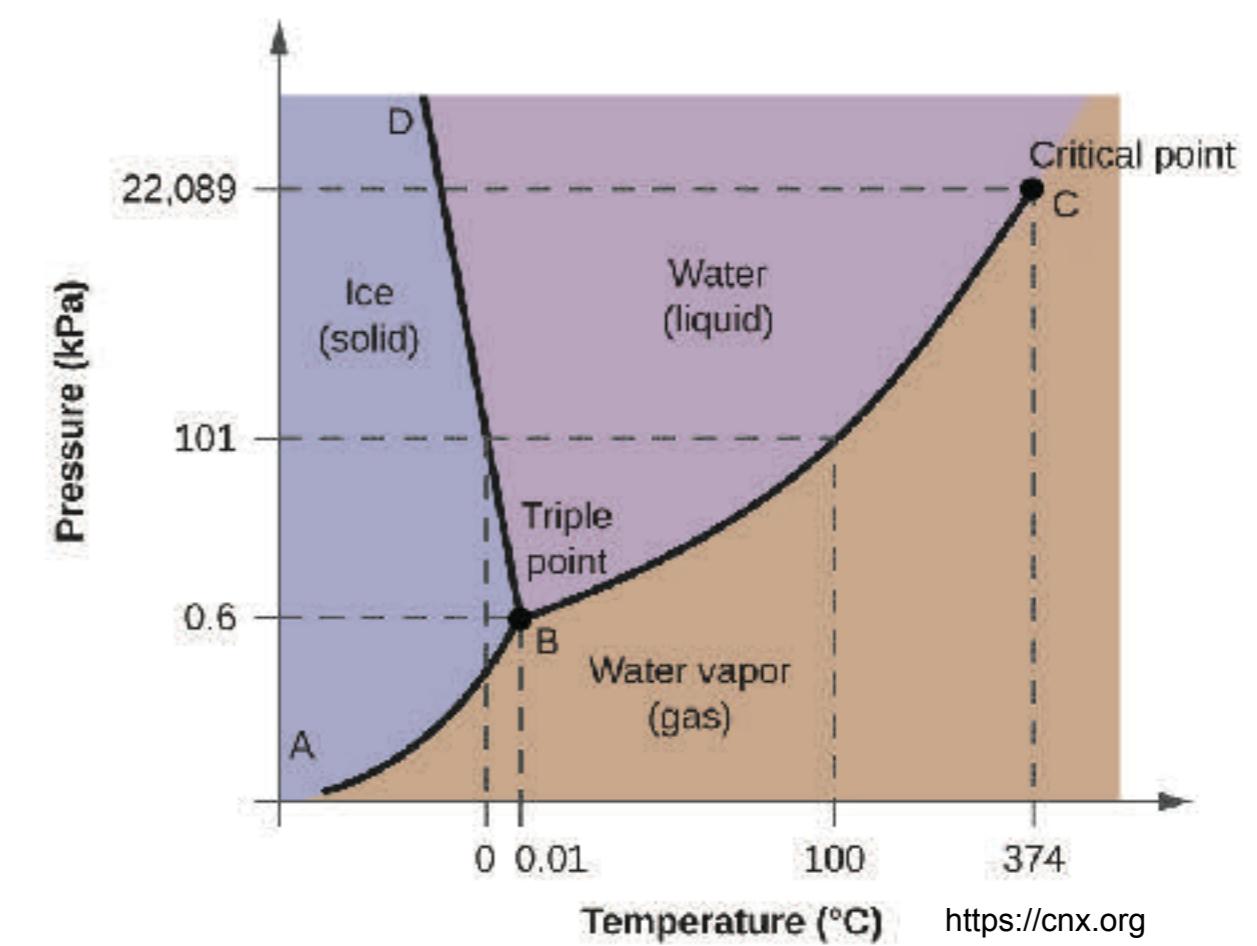
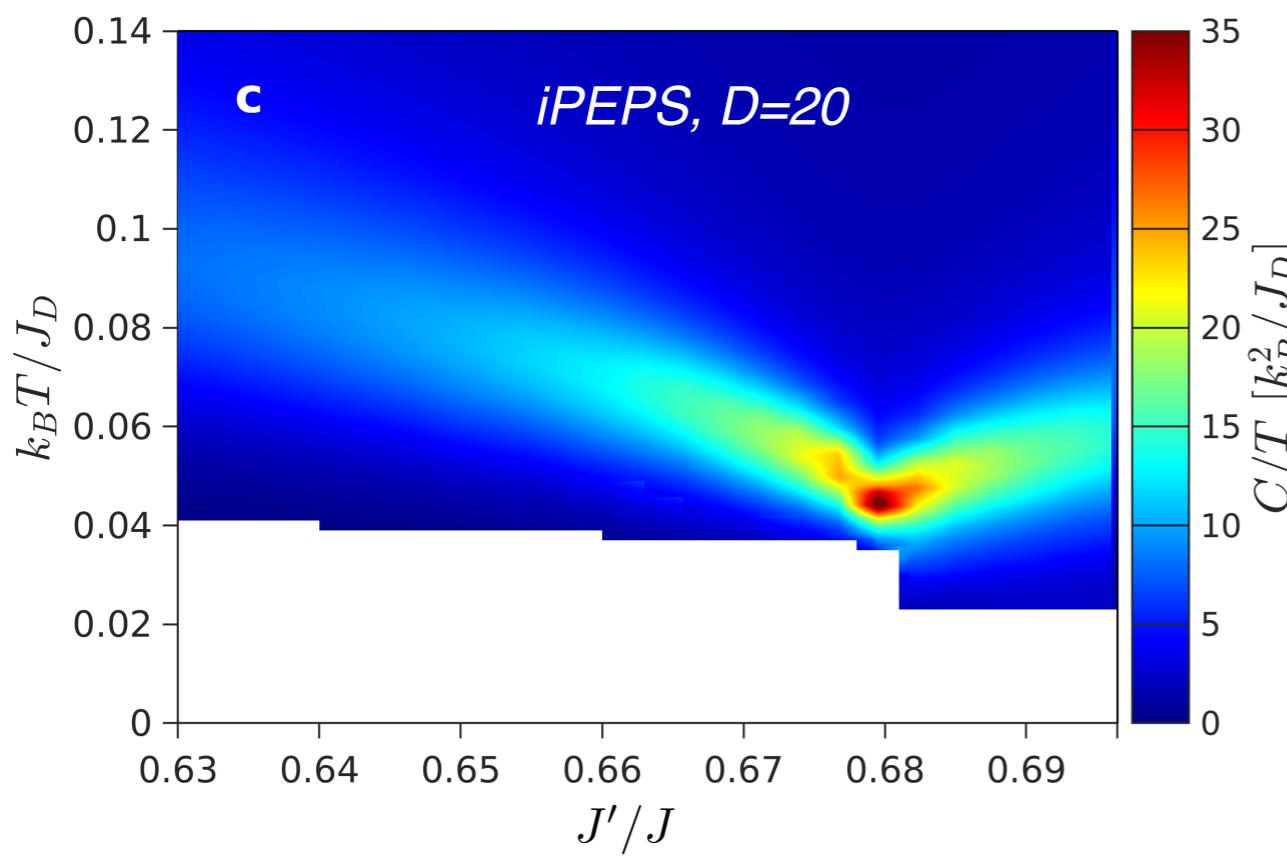
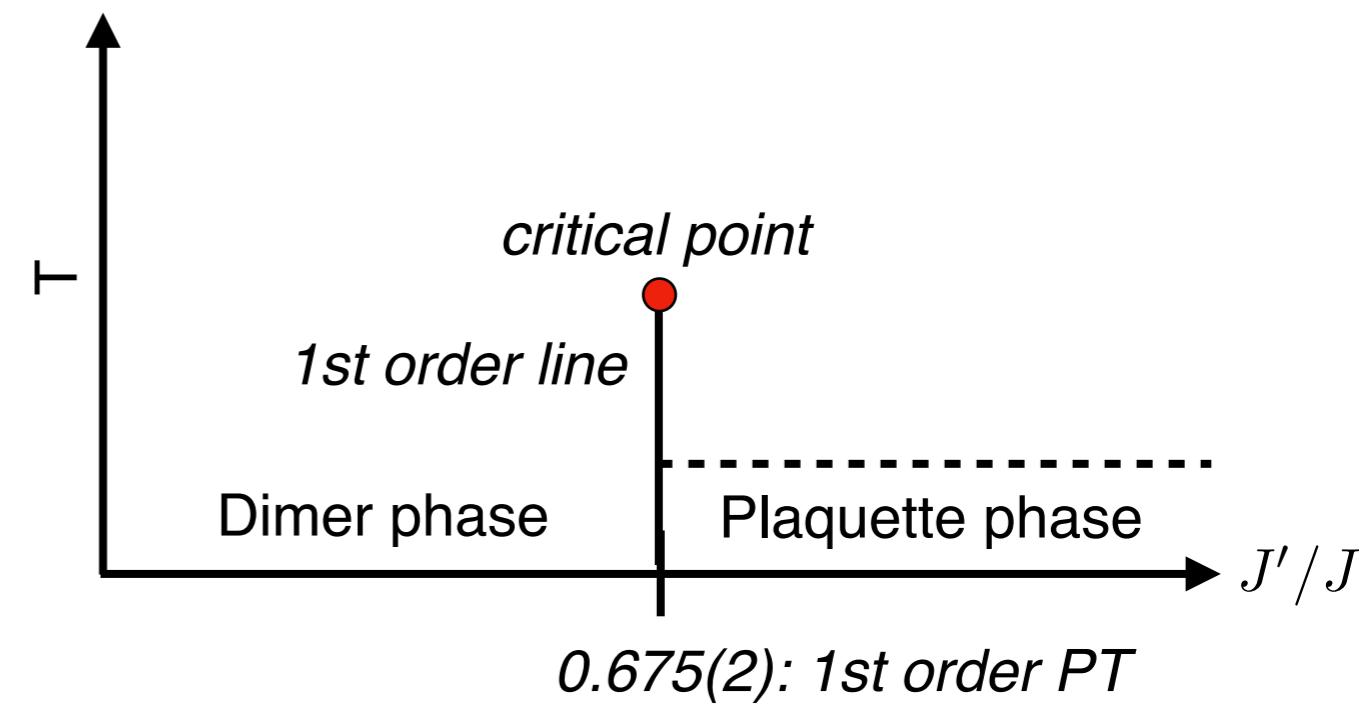
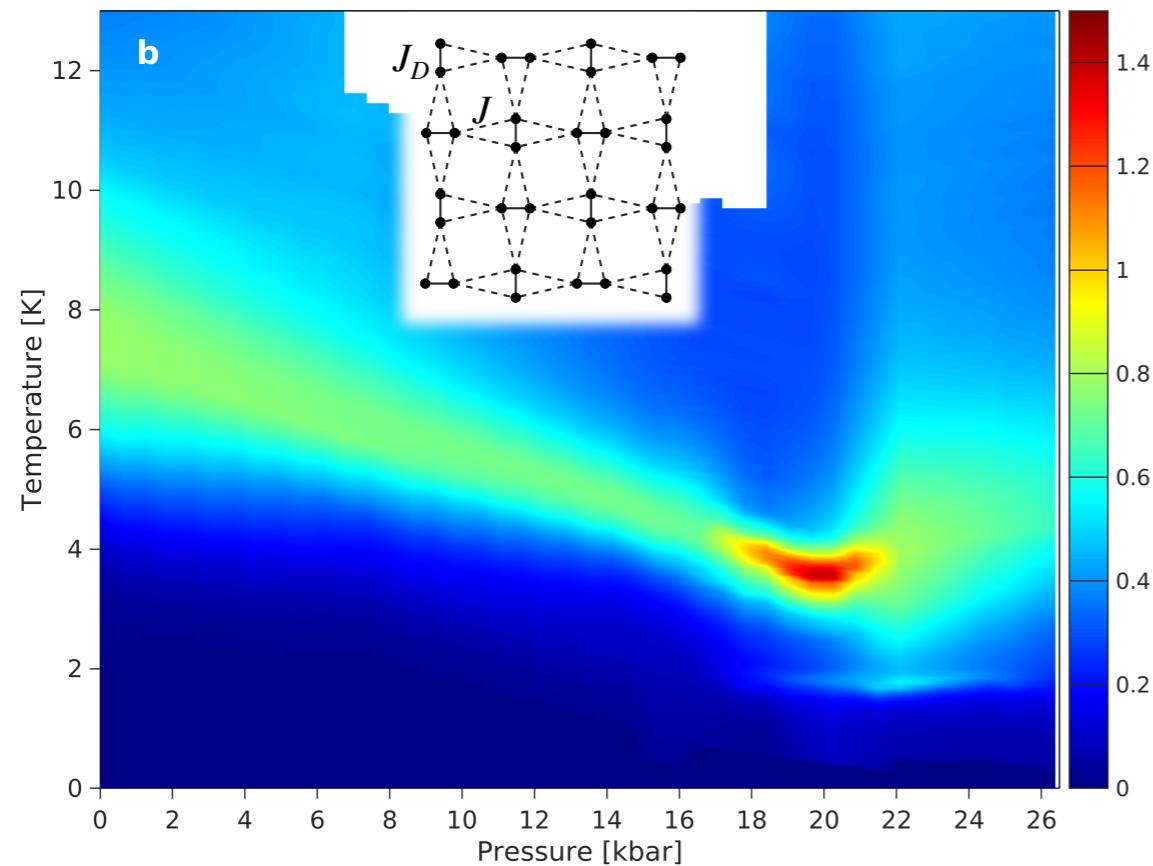
*Drive system across the phase transitions!*

- Waki, et al. J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 76, 073710 (2007)  
Haravifard, et al. Nat. Commun. 7, 11956 (2016)  
Zayed, et al., Nat. Phys. 13, 962 (2017)  
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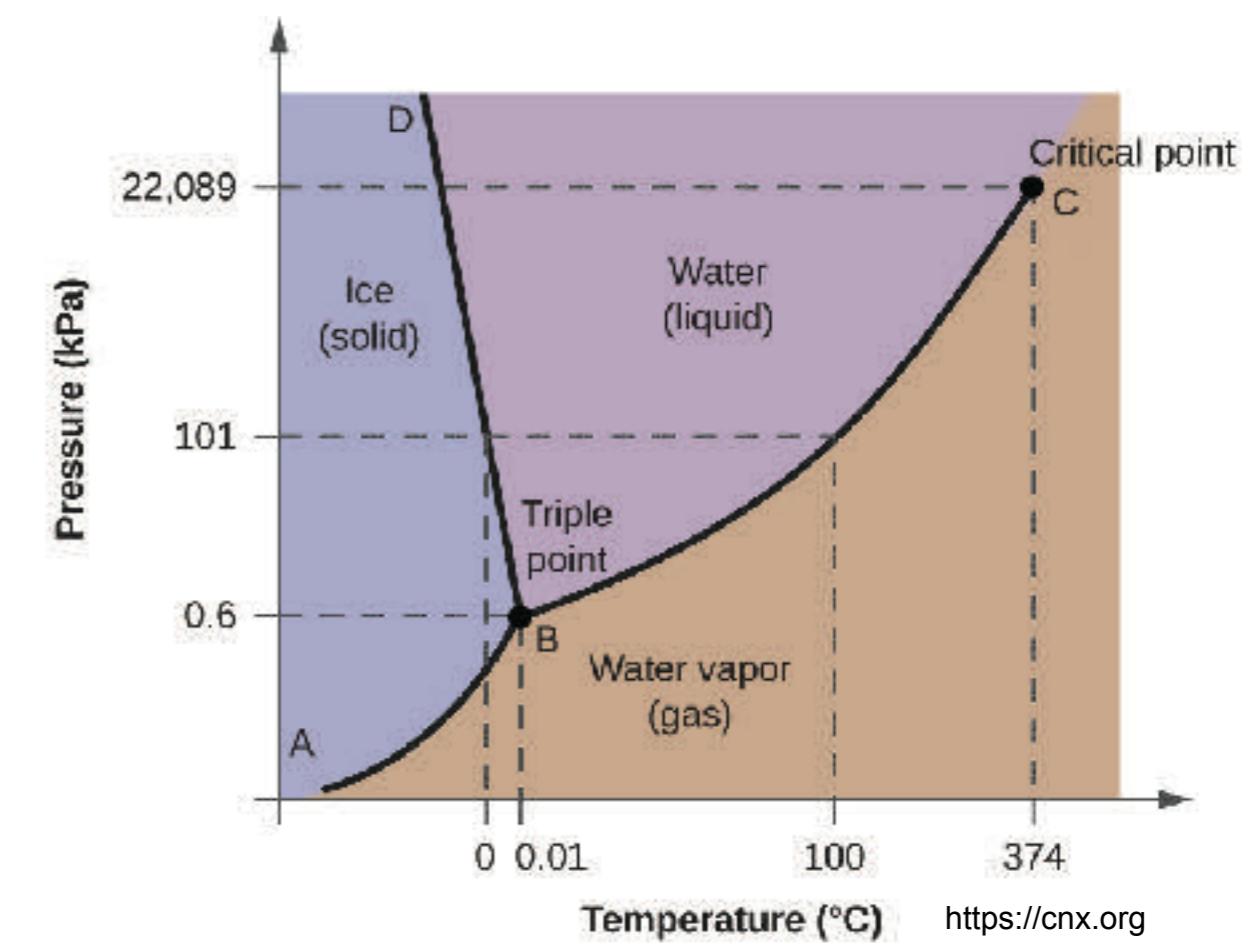
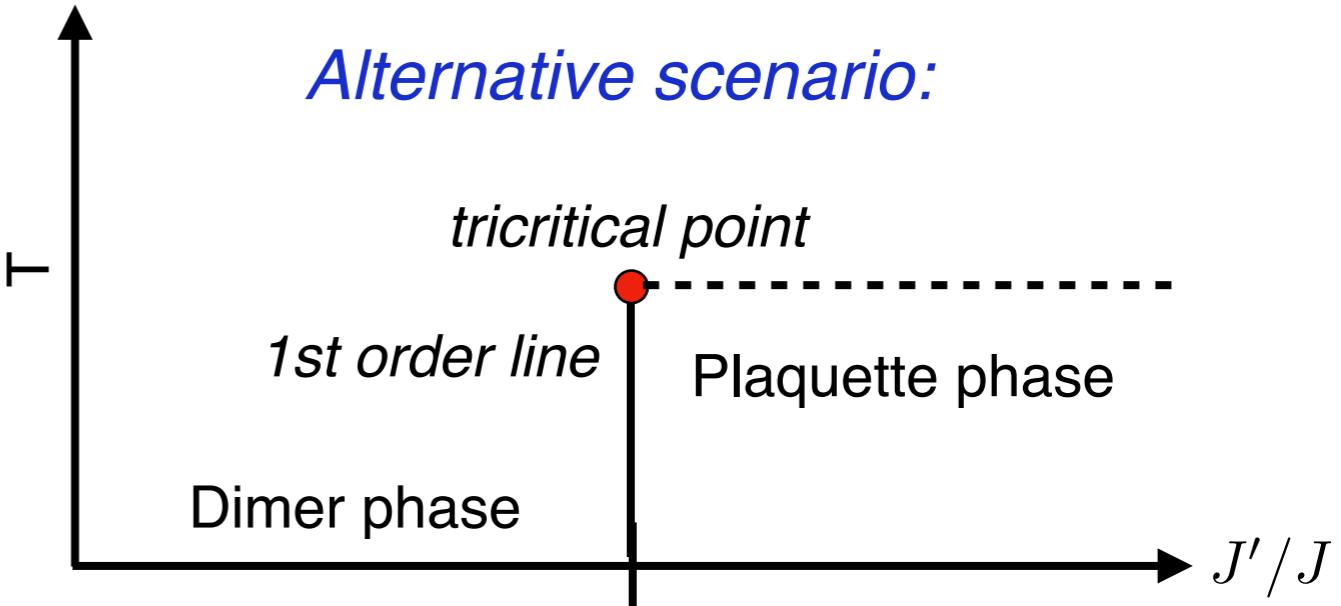
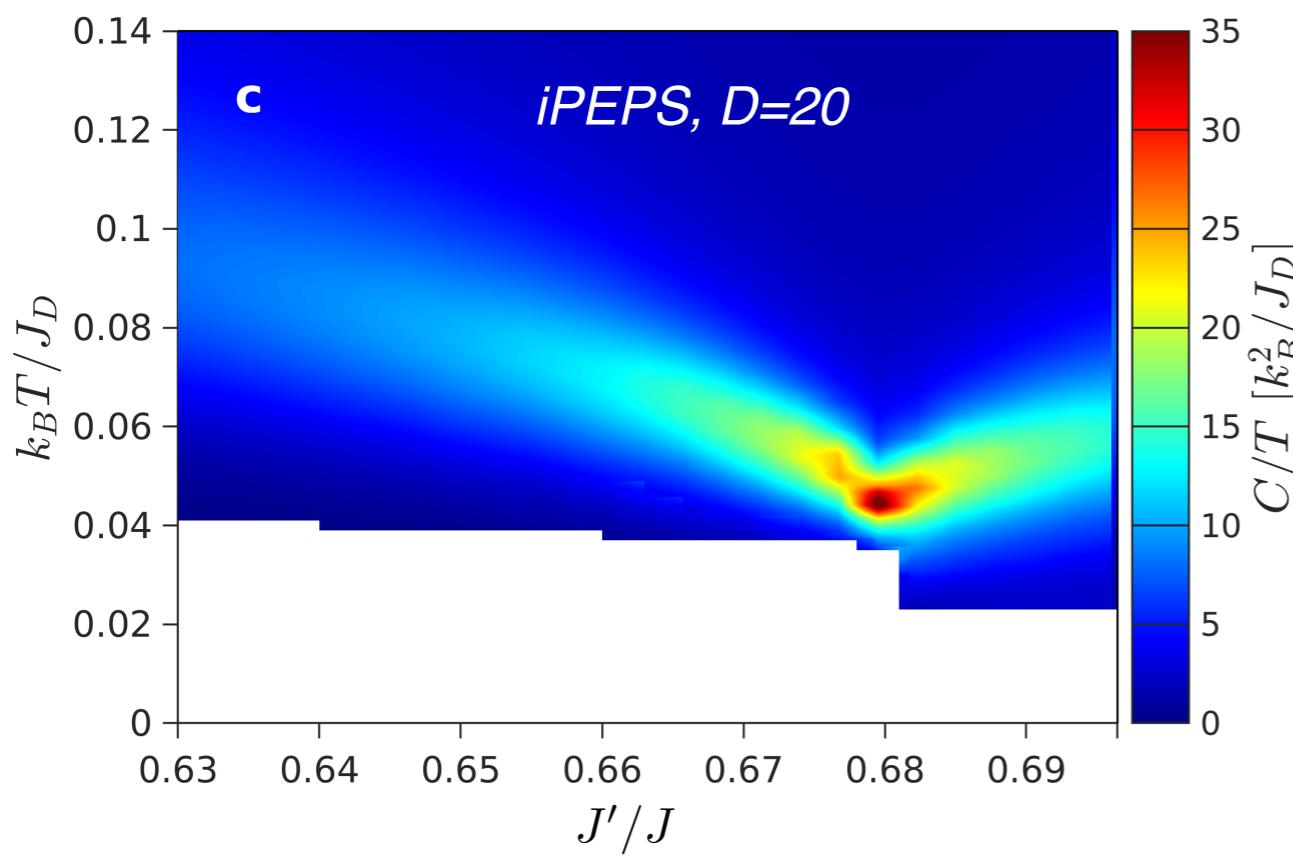
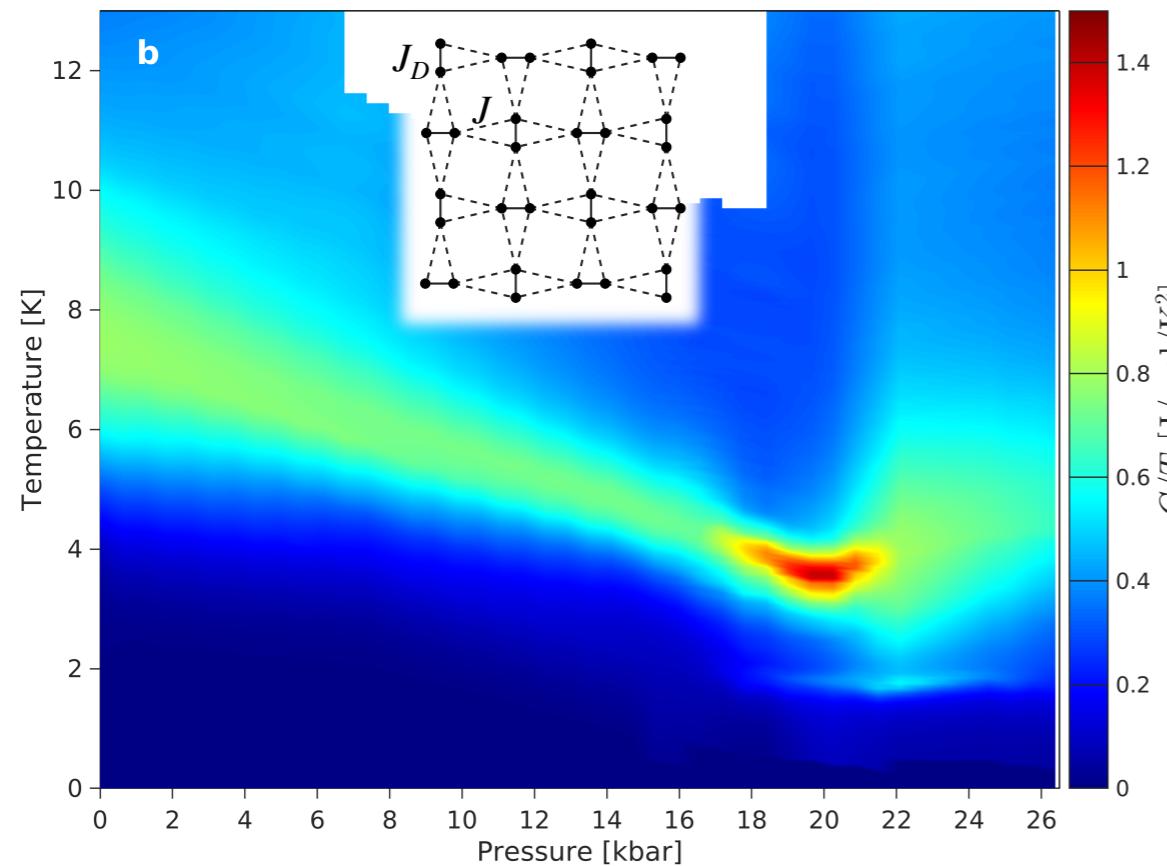


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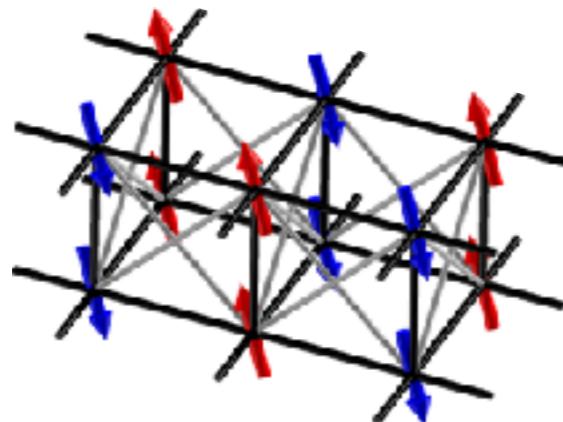
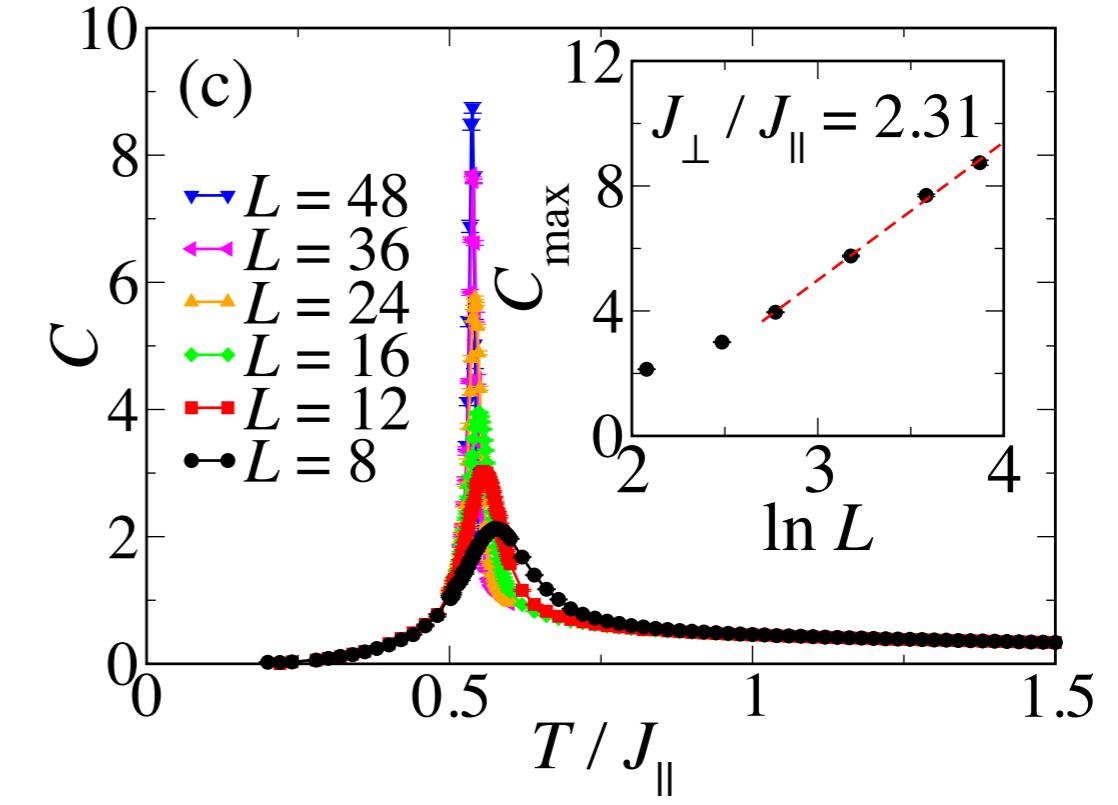
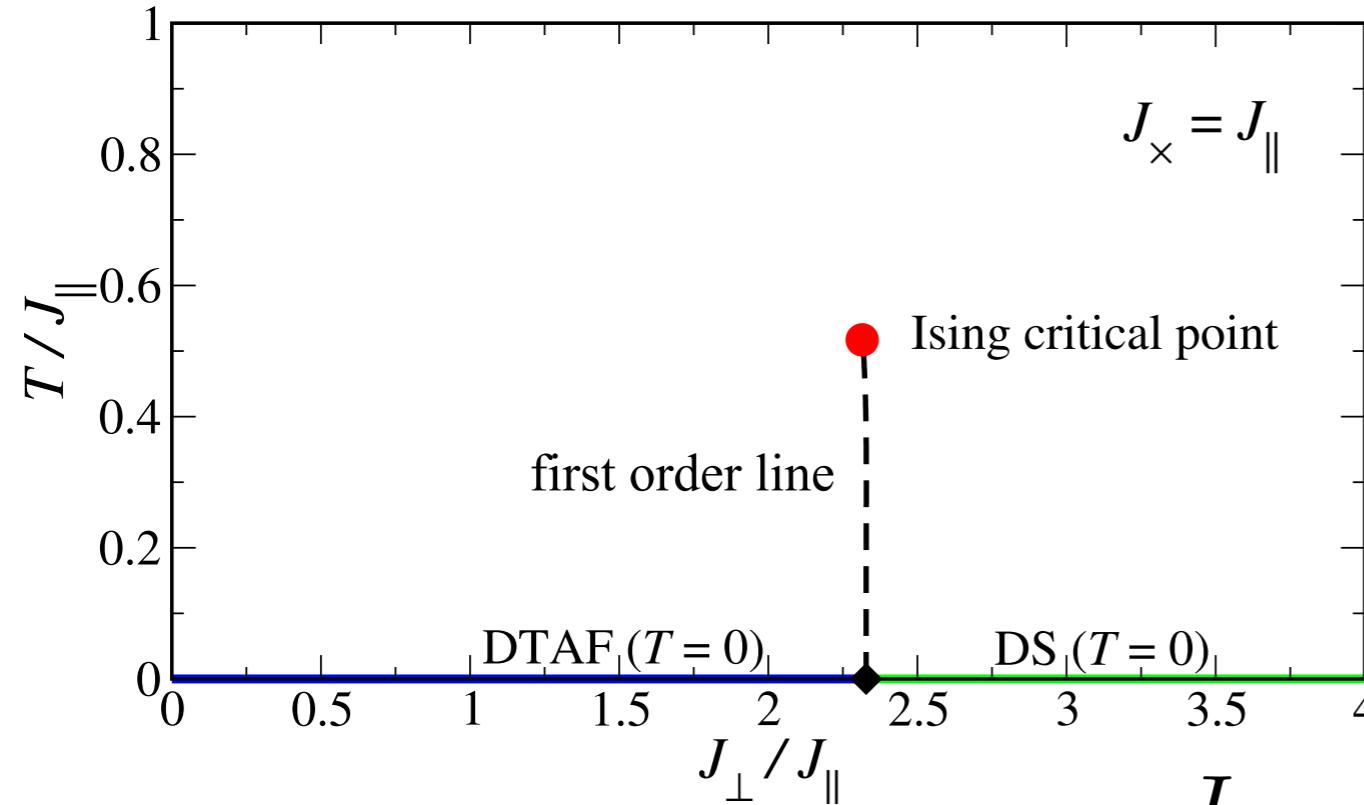


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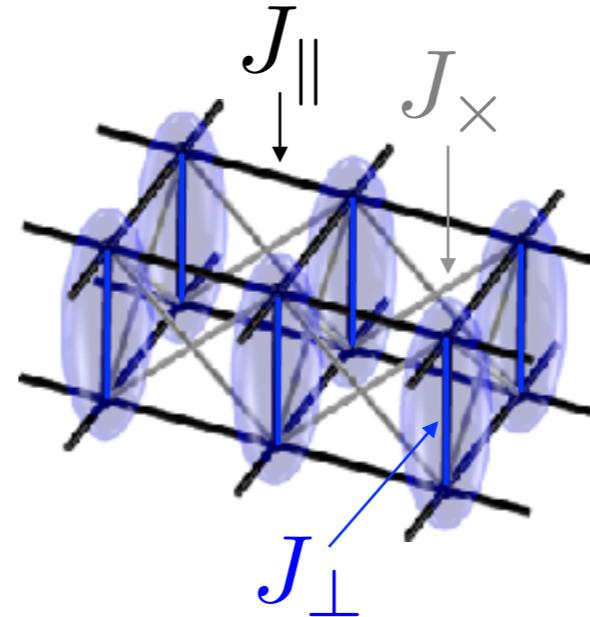


# Inspiration: fully frustrated Heisenberg bilayer model

Stapmanns, PC, Mila, Honecker, Normand, and Wessel, PRL 121 (2018)



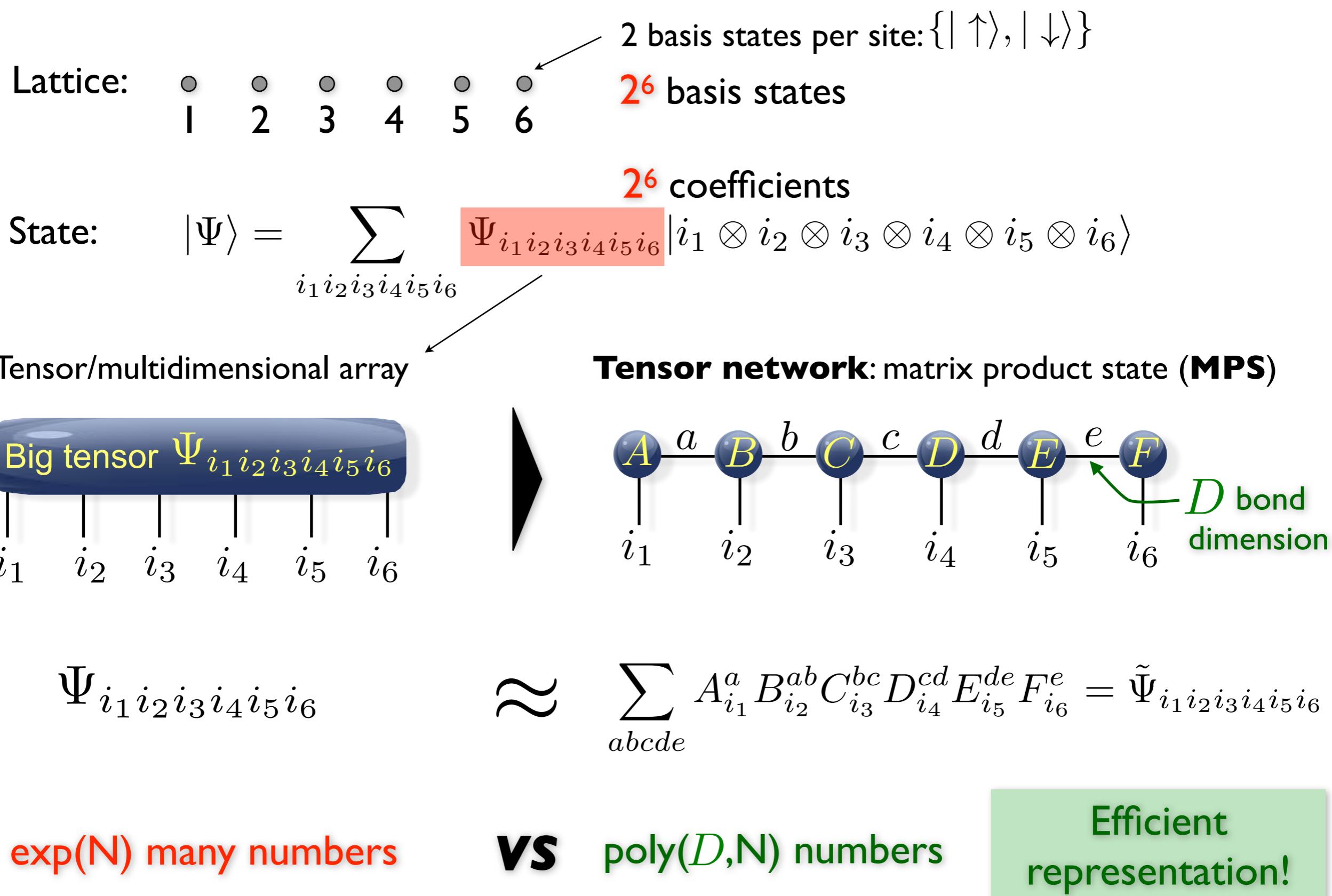
Dimer triplets



Dimer singlets

Jump in  $\langle S \cdot S \rangle$  on a dimer at the phase transition

# Tensor network ansatz for a wave function

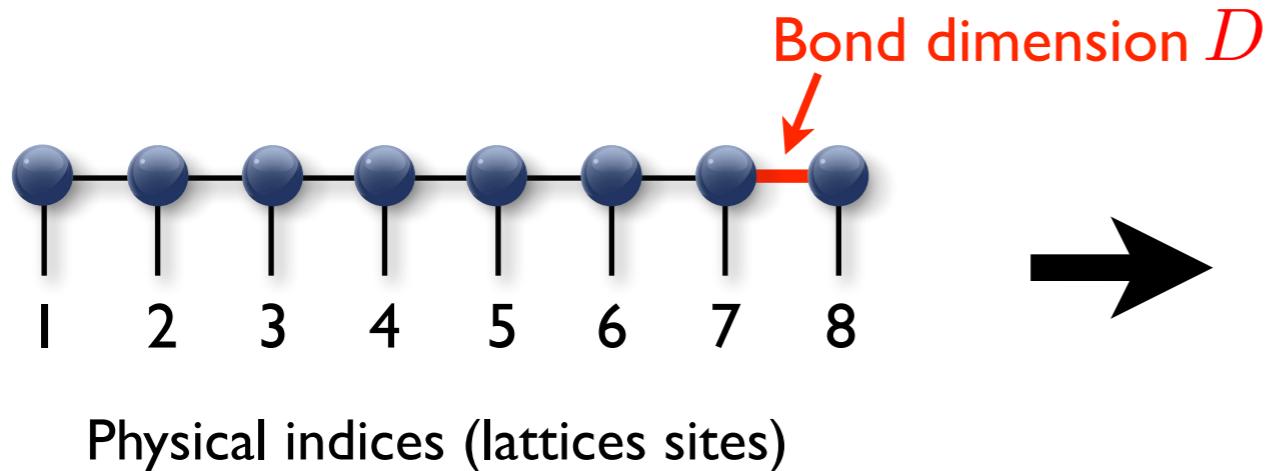


# MPS & PEPS

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**MPS**

Matrix-product state



S. R. White, PRL 69, 2863 (1992)

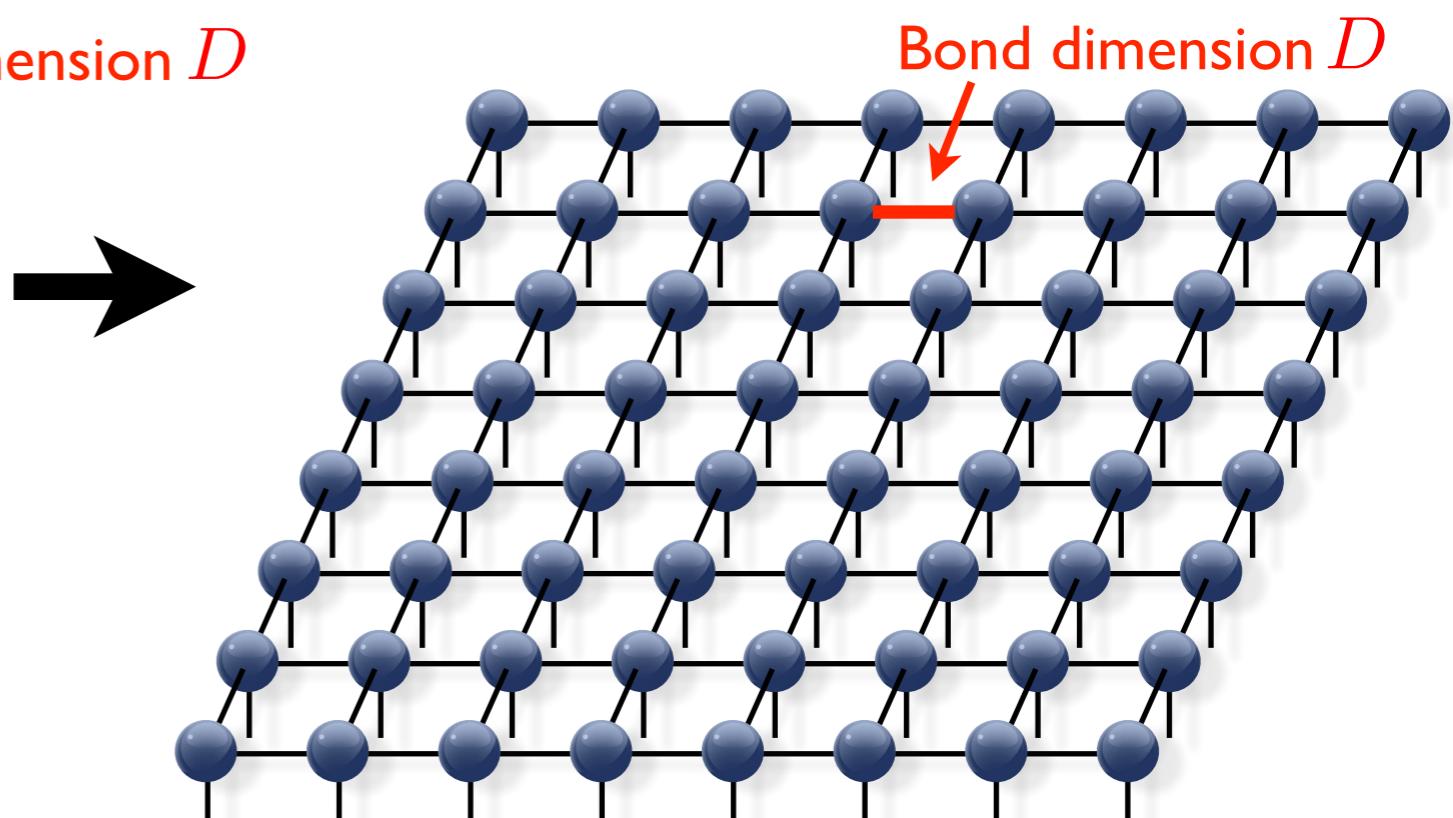
Fannes et al., CMP 144, 443 (1992)

Östlund, Rommer, PRL 75, 3537 (1995)

**2D**

**PEPS (TPS)**

projected entangled-pair state  
(tensor product state)



F. Verstraete, J. I. Cirac, cond-mat/0407066

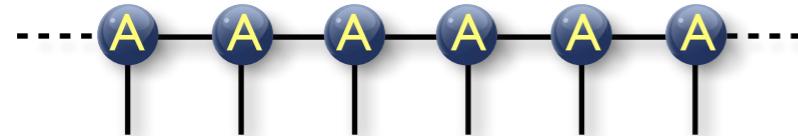
Nishio, Maeshima, Gendiar, Nishino, cond-mat/0401115

# Infinite PEPS (iPEPS)

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iMPS

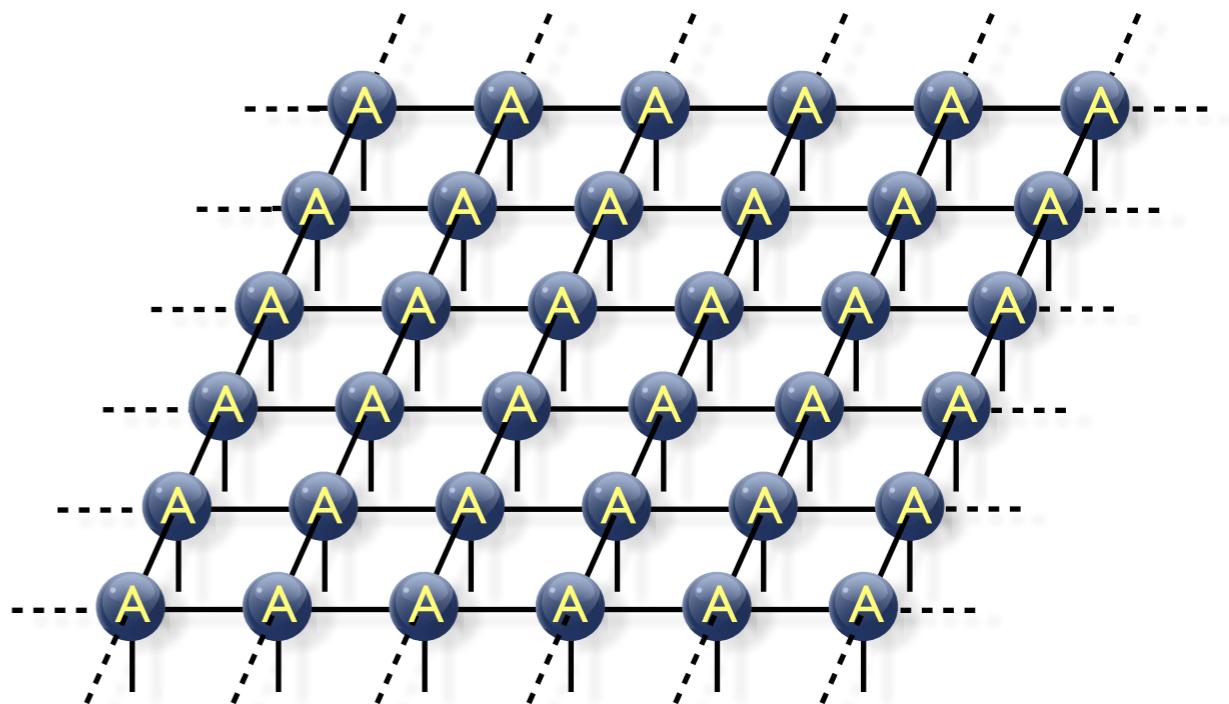
infinite matrix-product state



2D

iPEPS

infinite projected entangled-pair state



Jordan, Orus, Vidal, Verstraete, Cirac, PRL (2008)

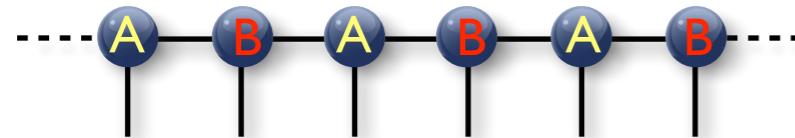
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**No finite size and boundary effects!**

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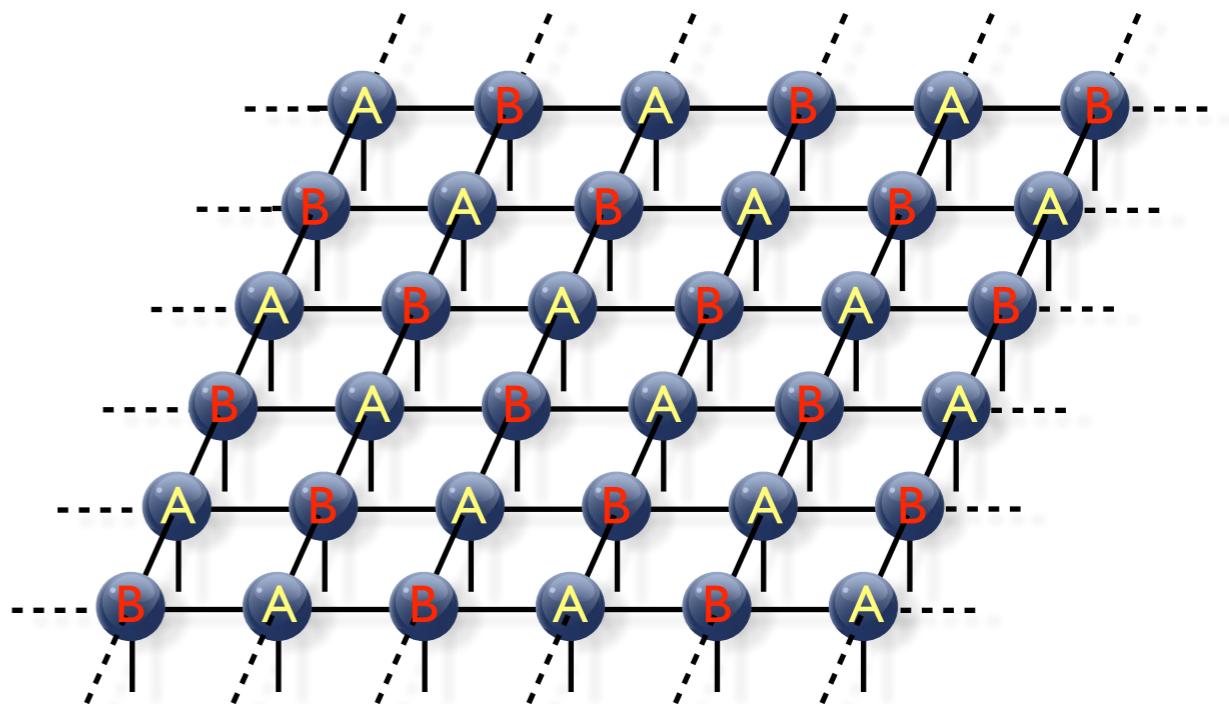
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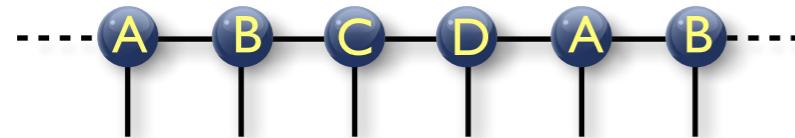
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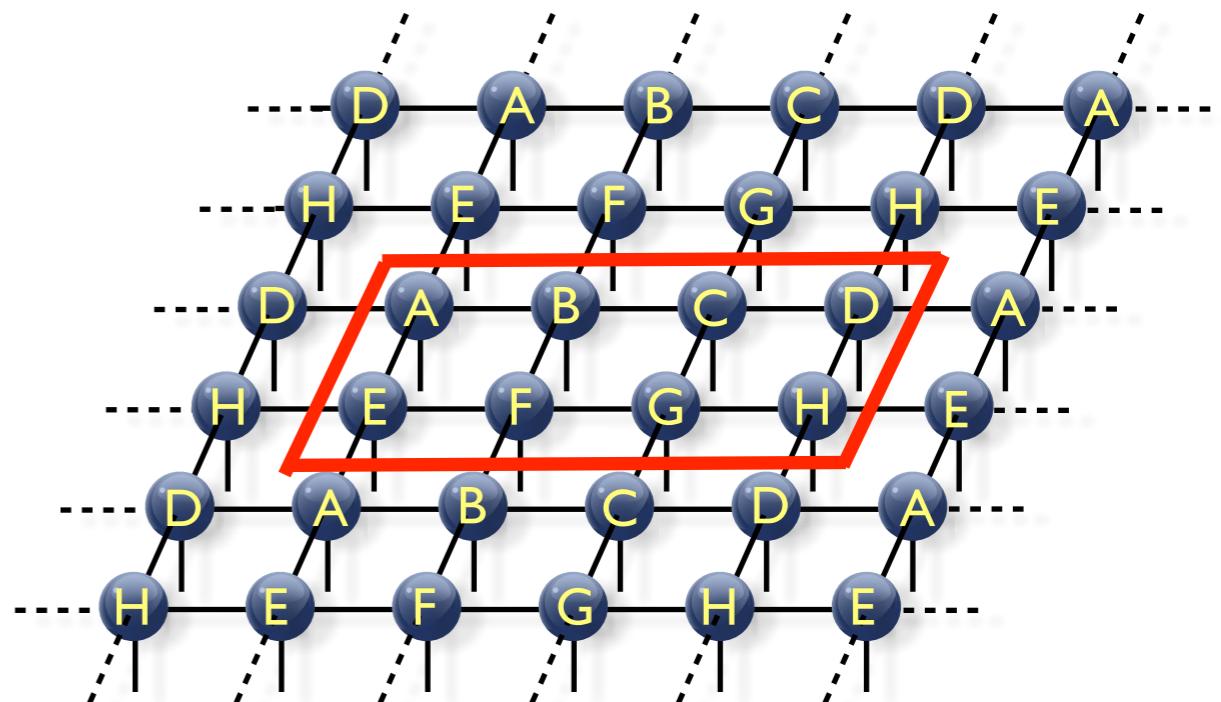
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**2D**

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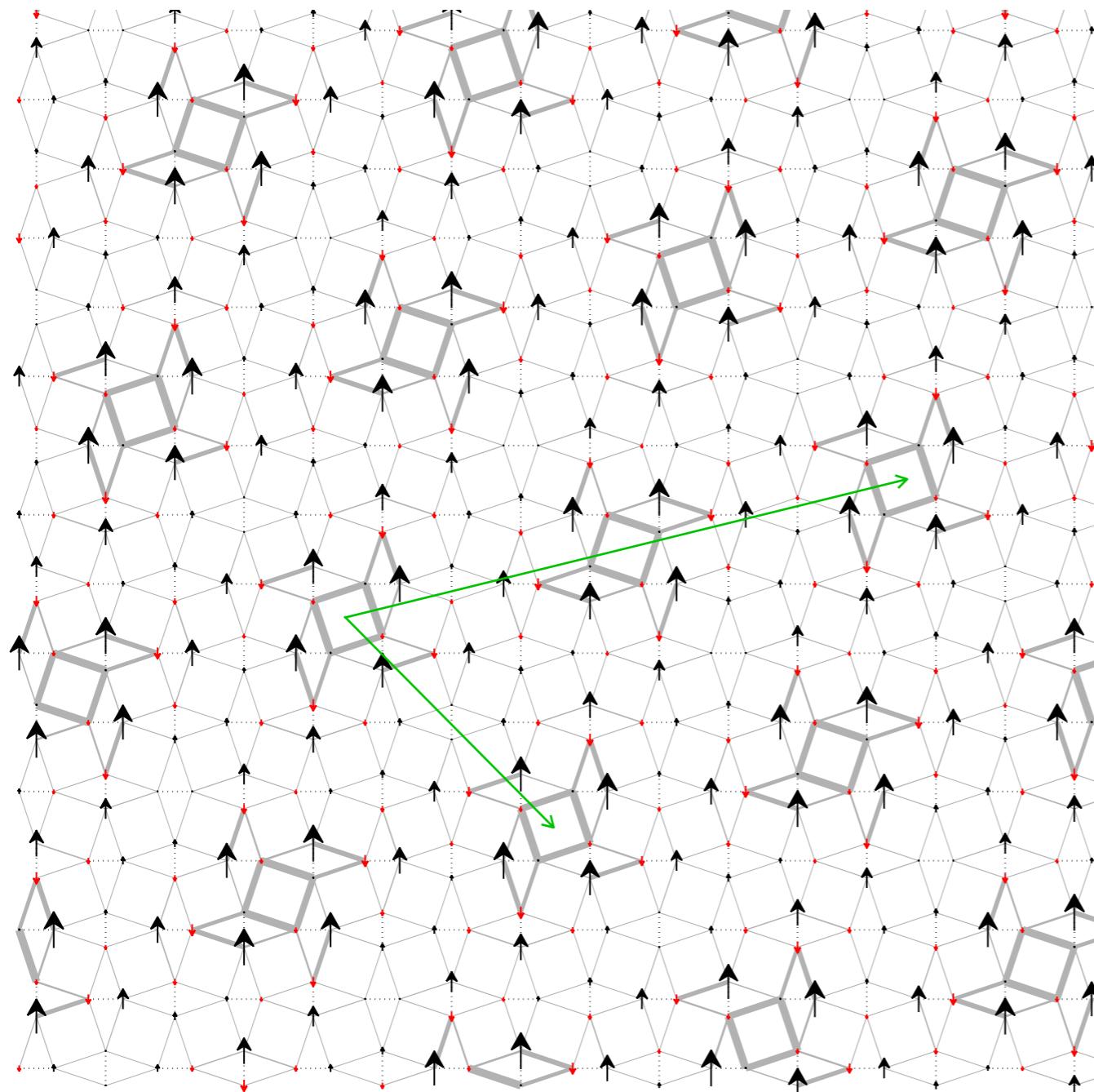
with arbitrary unit cell of tensors



**here: 4x2 unit cell**

Jordan, Orus, Vidal, Verstraete, Cirac, PRL (2008)  
PC, White, Vidal, Troyer, PRB 84 (2011)

# 2/15 plateau in the Shastry-Sutherland model



Unit cell with 30  
tensors (60 sites)

★ Crystal of triplet  
bound states

PC, F. Mila, PRL 112 (2014)

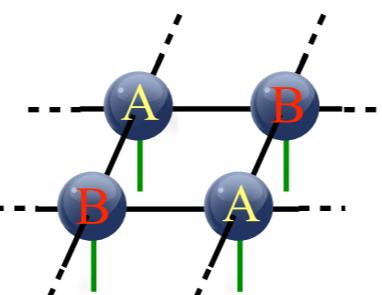
# Finite temperature simulations with iPEPS

## ► Methodological developments (2D):

Li et al. PRL 106 (2011); Czarnik et al. PRB 86 (2012); Czarnik & Dziarmaga PRB 90 (2014);  
Czarnik & Dziarmaga PRB 92 (2015); Czarnik et al. PRB 94 (2016); Dai et al PRB 95 (2017);  
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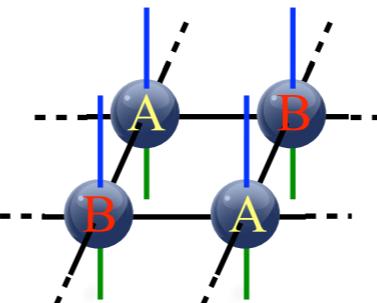
## ► Wave-function:

$$|\Psi\rangle \approx$$



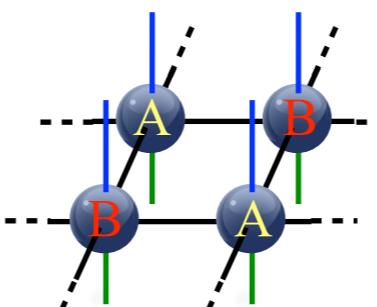
## ► Density-operator:

$$\hat{\rho} = e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \approx$$

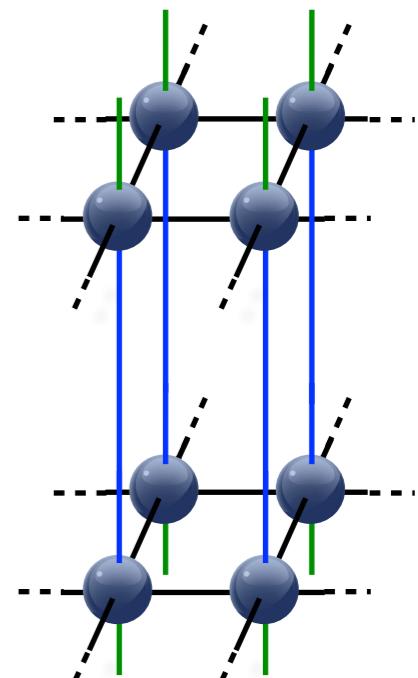


## ► Symmetric form:

$$e^{-\beta \hat{H}/2} \approx$$



$$\hat{\rho}(\beta) \approx$$



$$\hat{\rho}(\beta) = \hat{\rho}^\dagger(\beta)$$

by construction

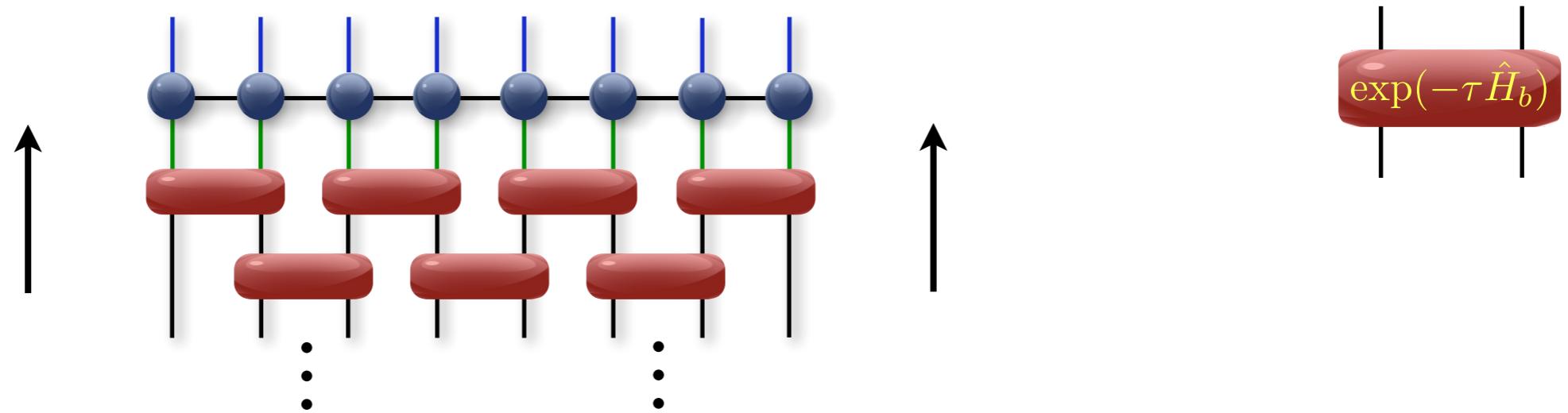
# Imaginary time evolution

- Start at infinite temperature:  $\hat{\rho}(\beta = 0) = \mathbb{I}$

- Initial state: | | | | | | | exact!

- Evolve in imaginary time:  $\hat{\rho}(\beta) = e^{-\beta \hat{H}/2} \hat{\rho}(0) e^{-\beta \hat{H}/2}$

Trotter-Suzuki decomposition:  $\exp(-\beta \hat{H}) = \exp(-\beta \sum_b \hat{H}_b) = \left( \exp(-\tau \sum_b \hat{H}_b) \right)^n \approx \left( \prod_b \exp(-\tau \hat{H}_b) \right)^n$

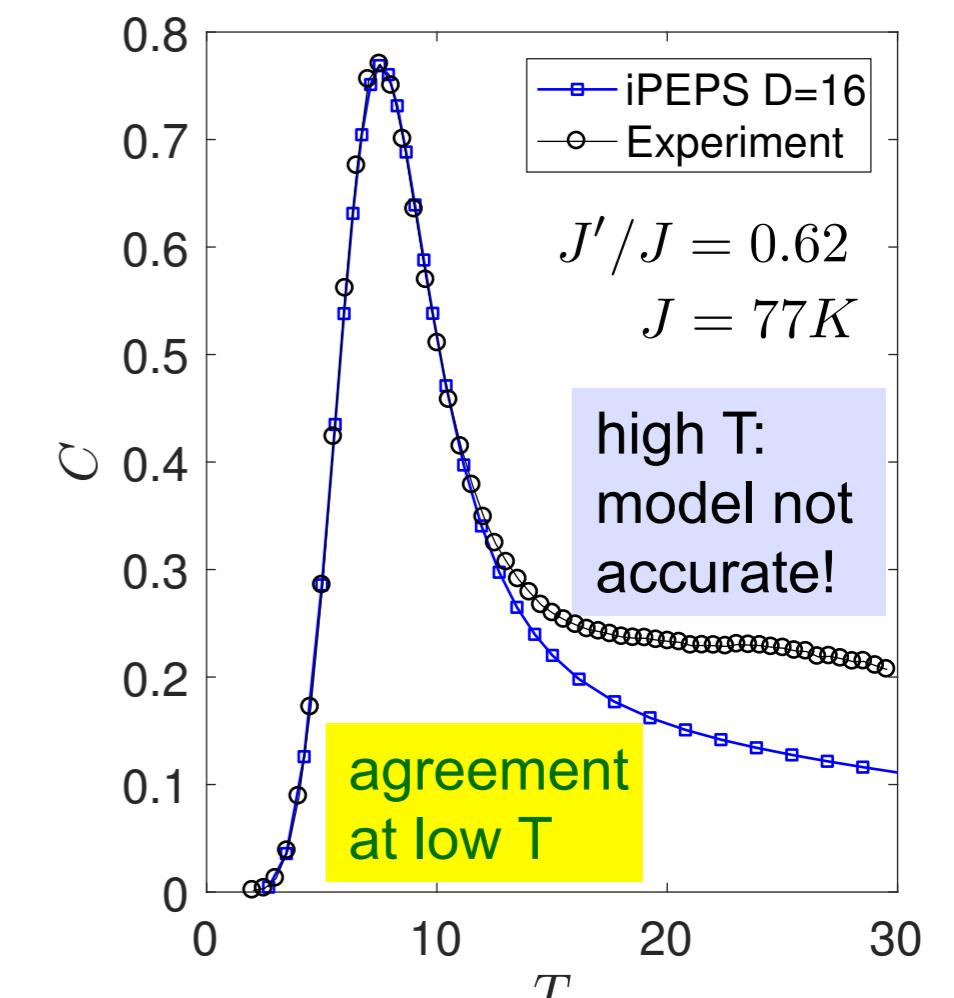
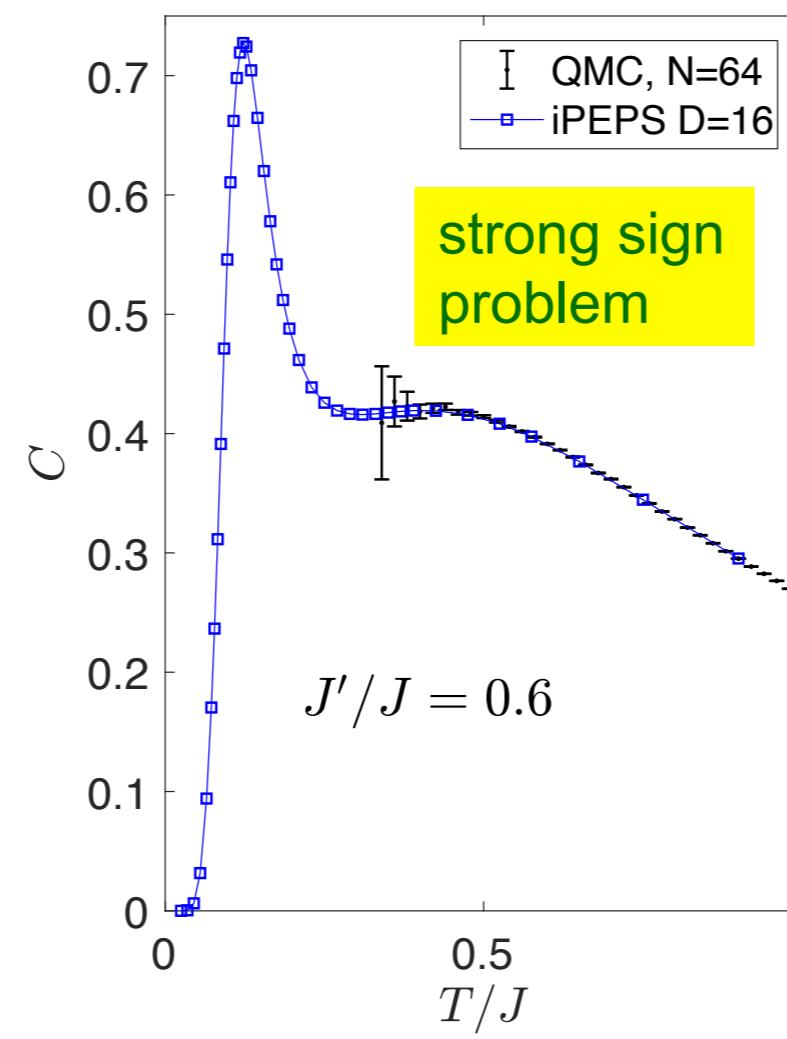
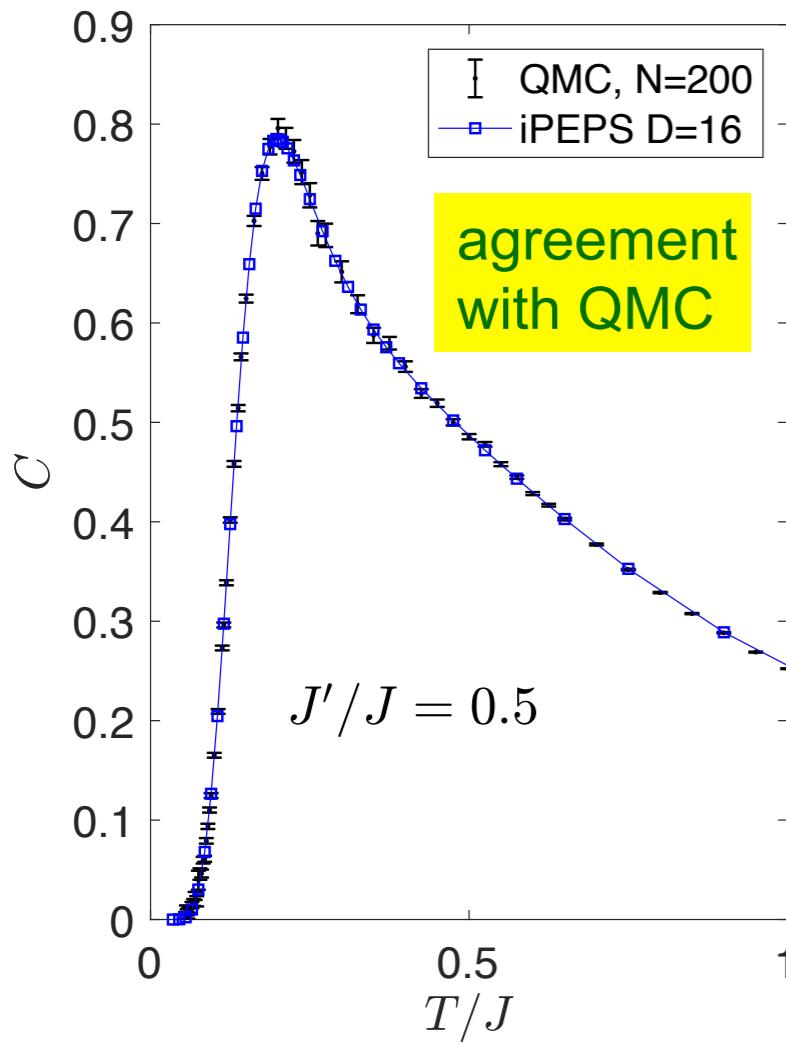


- Truncate after each step using e.g. simple / full update
- Evolve up to target  $\beta/2$

# Finite temperature simulations examples

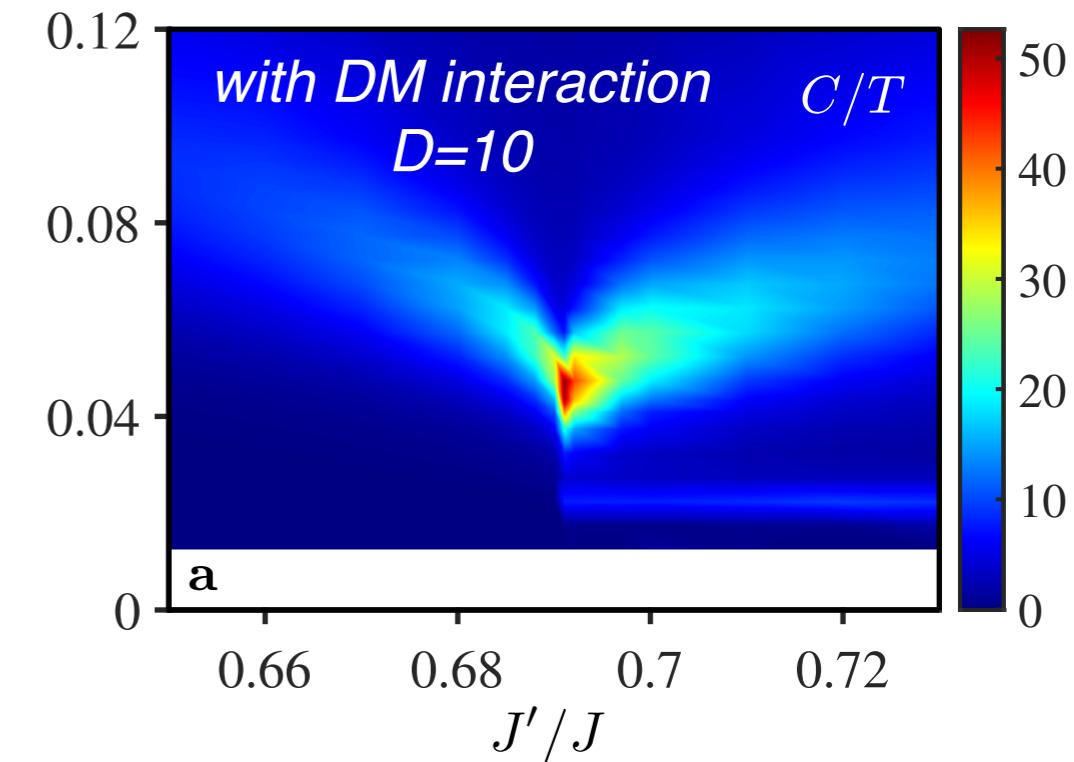
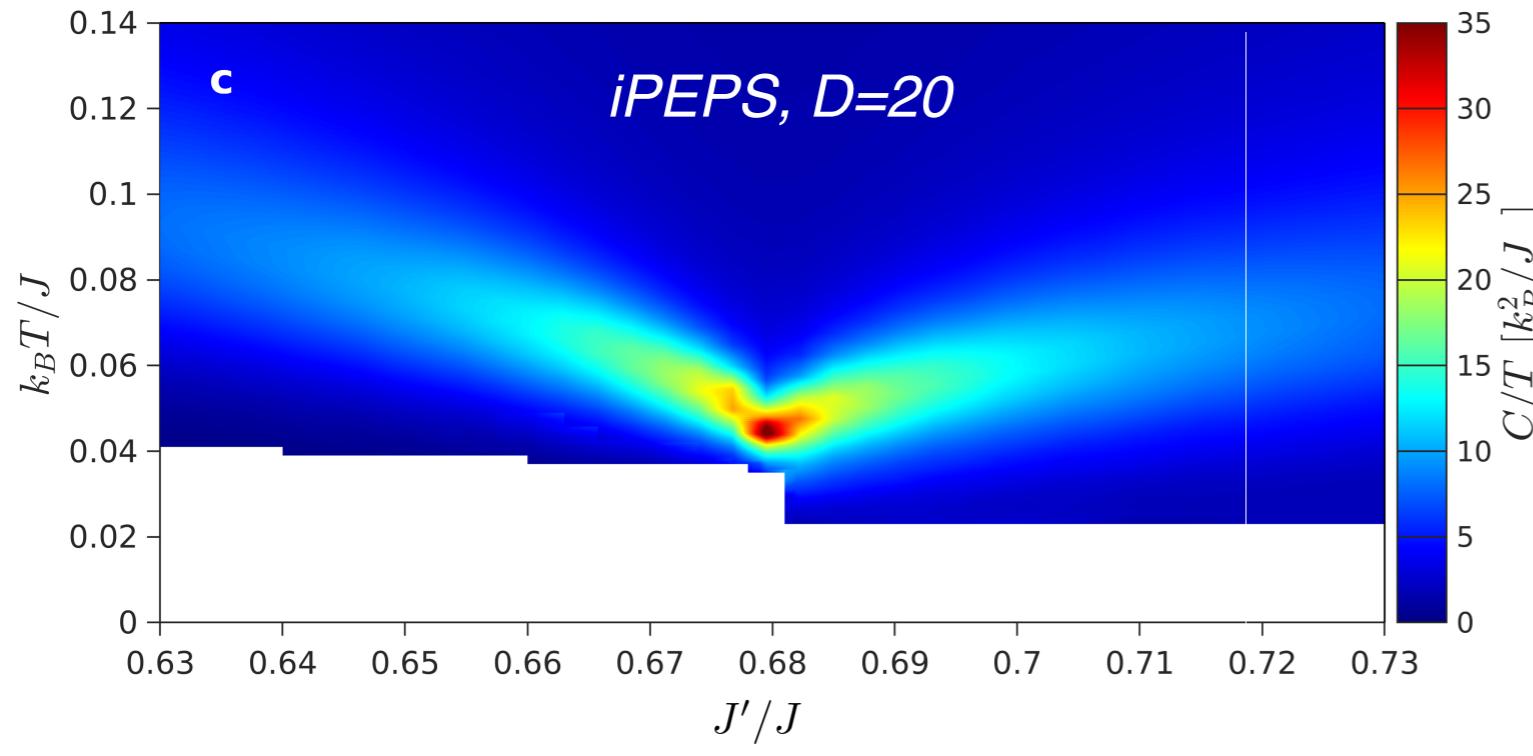
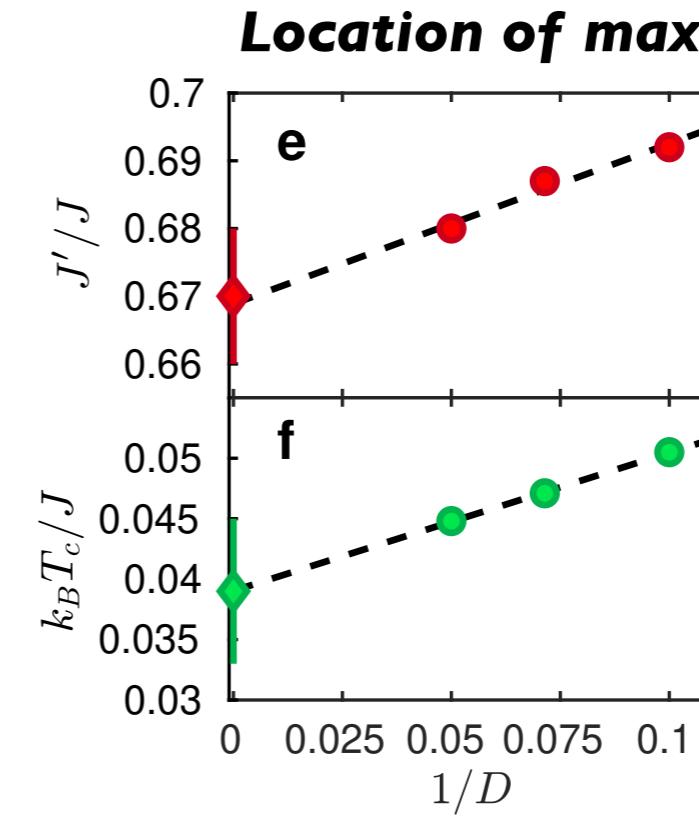
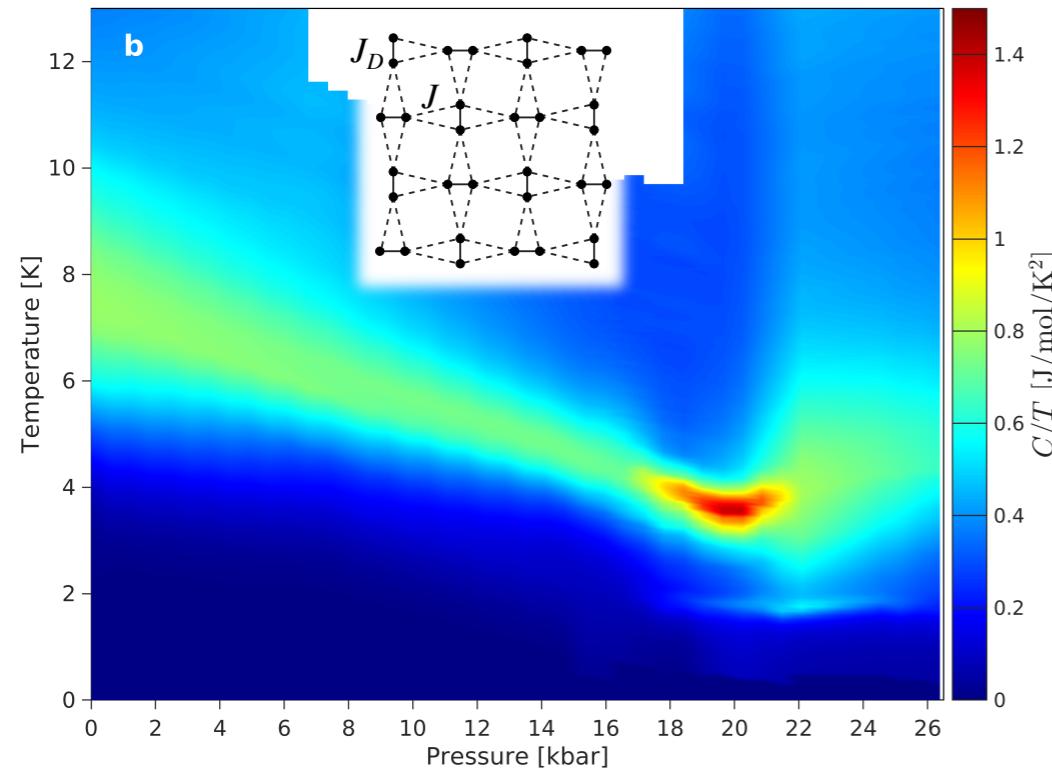
Wietek, PC, Wessel, Normand, Mila, and Honecker, PRR I (2019)

- ▶ Benchmarks in the dimer phase of the Shastry-Sutherland model
- ▶ Comparison between ED, TPQ, QMC, iPEPS

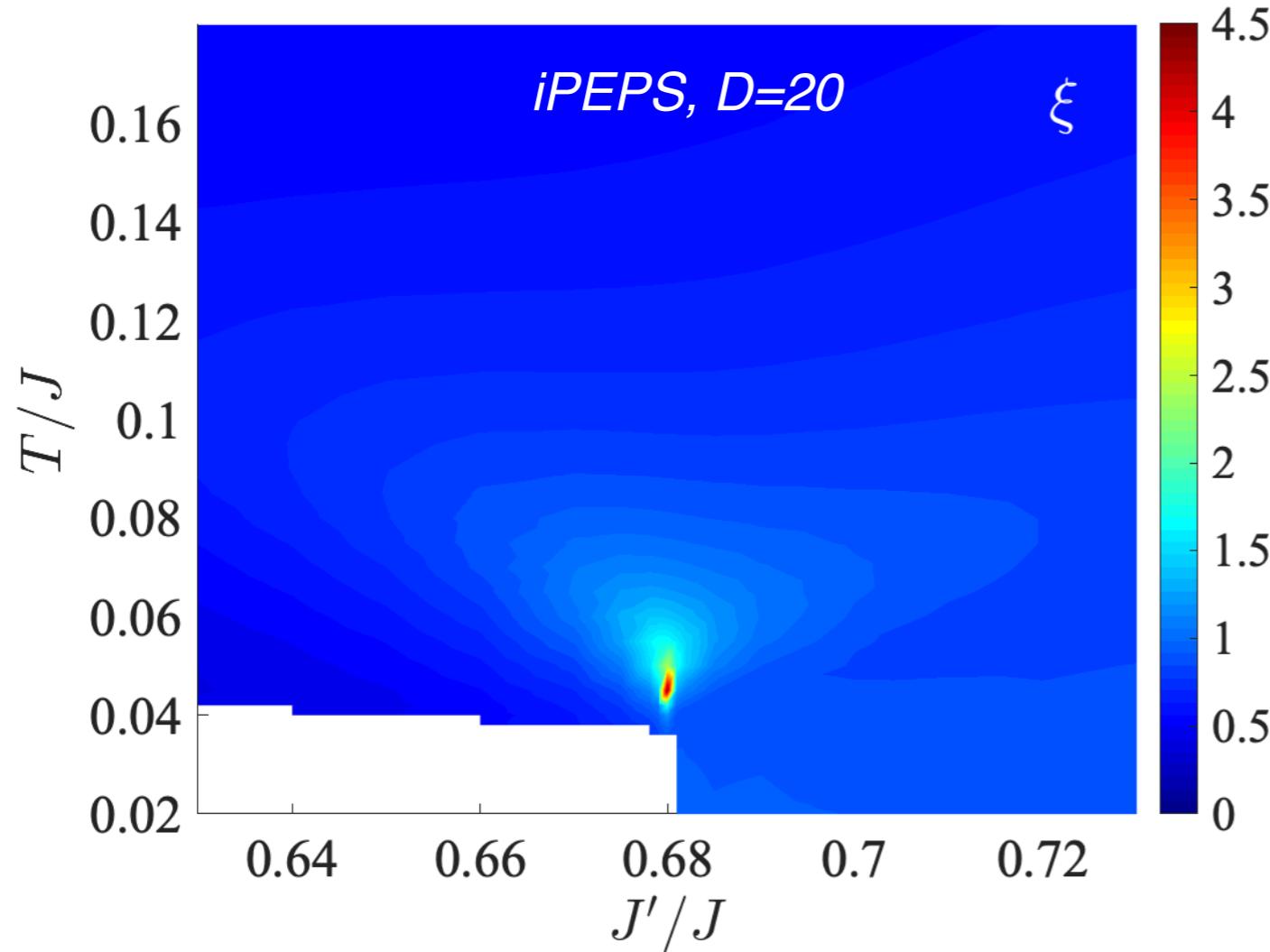


Miyahara and Ueda, arxiv:cond-mat/0004260

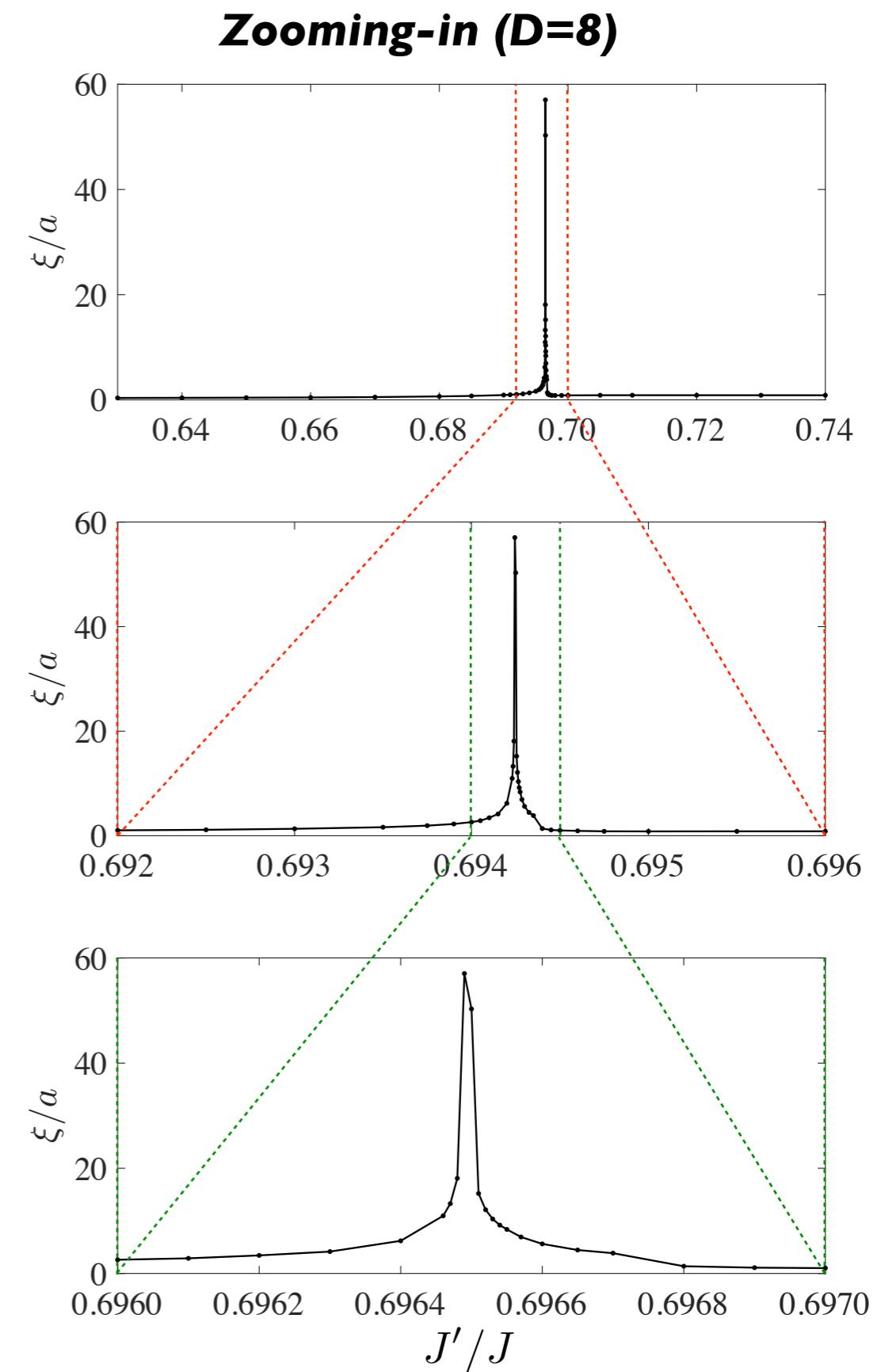
# Specific heat: experiments vs iPEPS



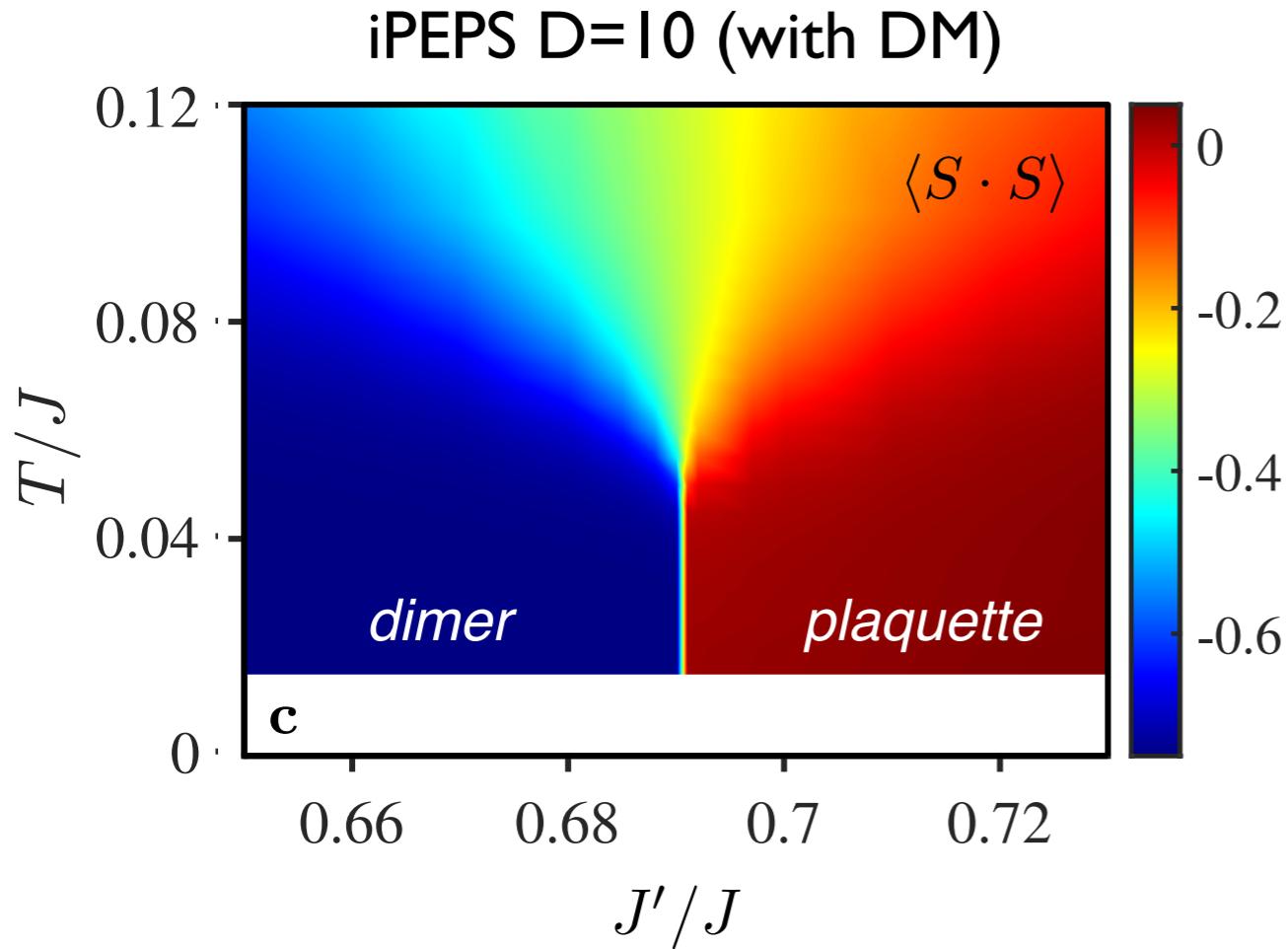
# Correlation length



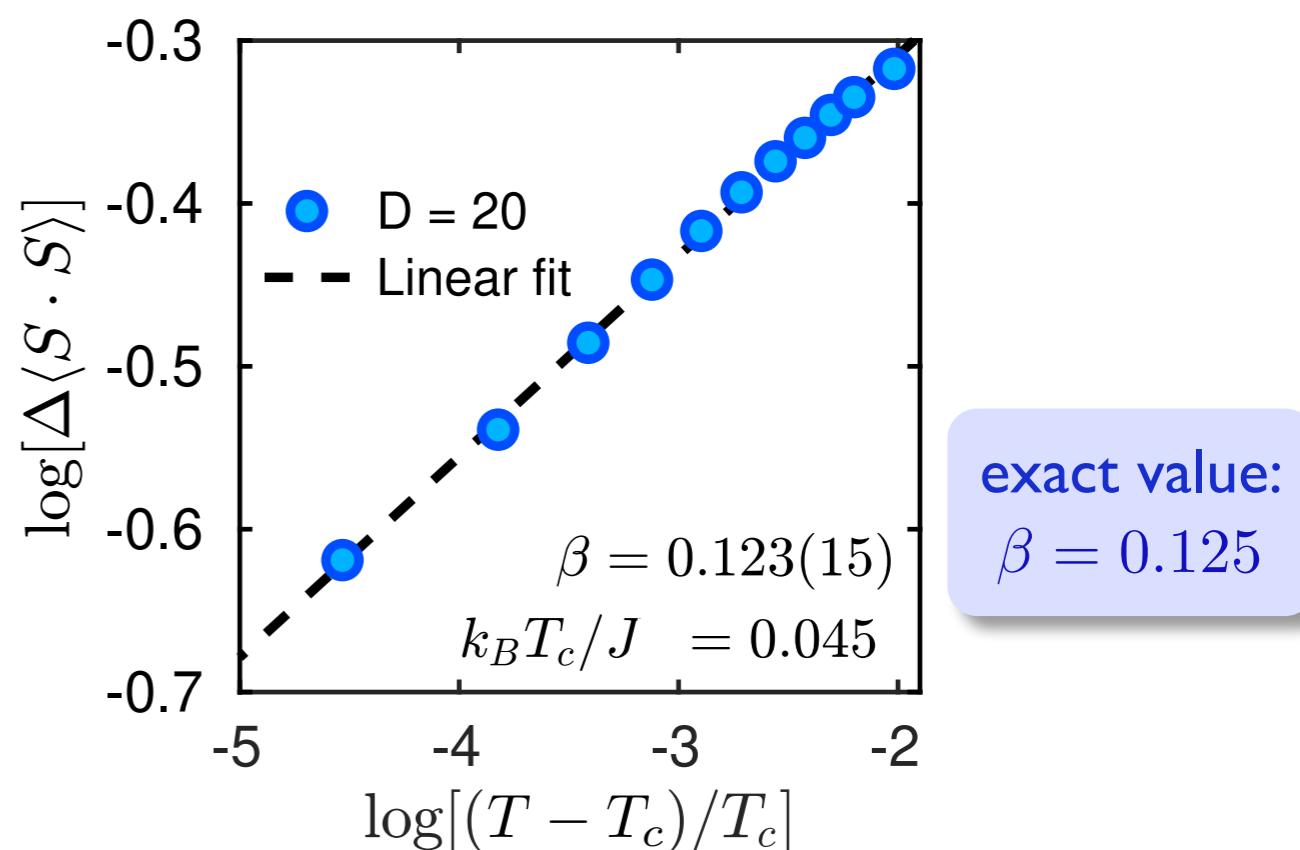
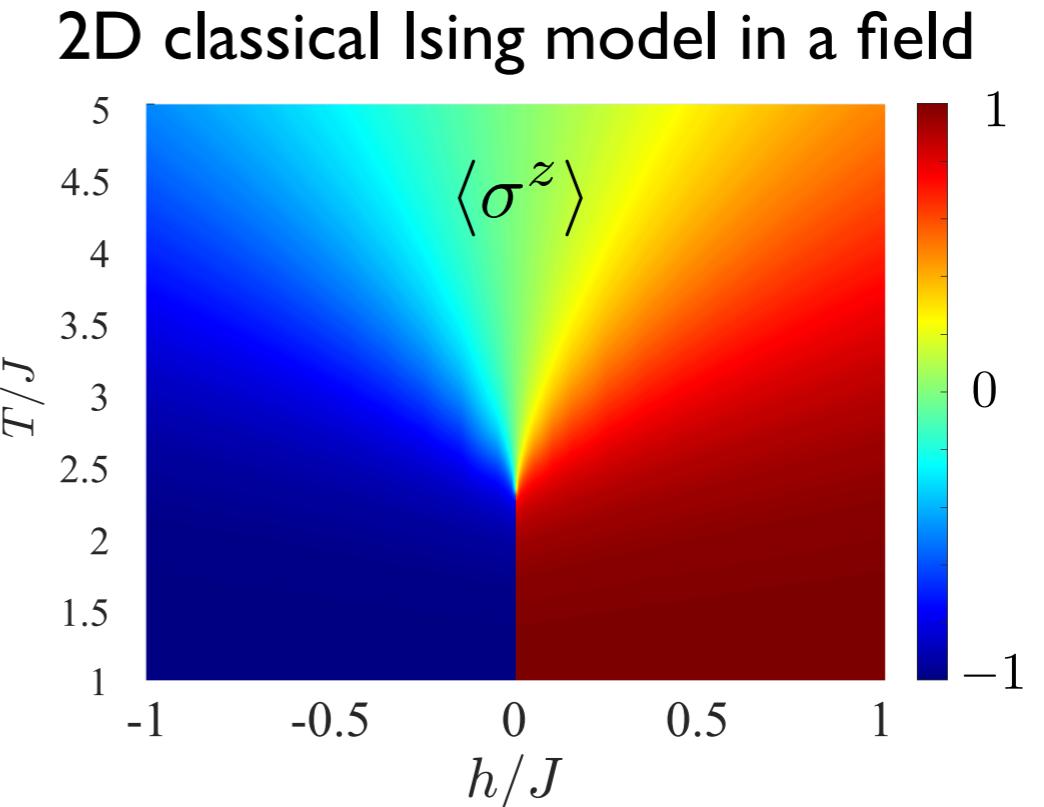
Diverging correlation length  
compatible with a critical point



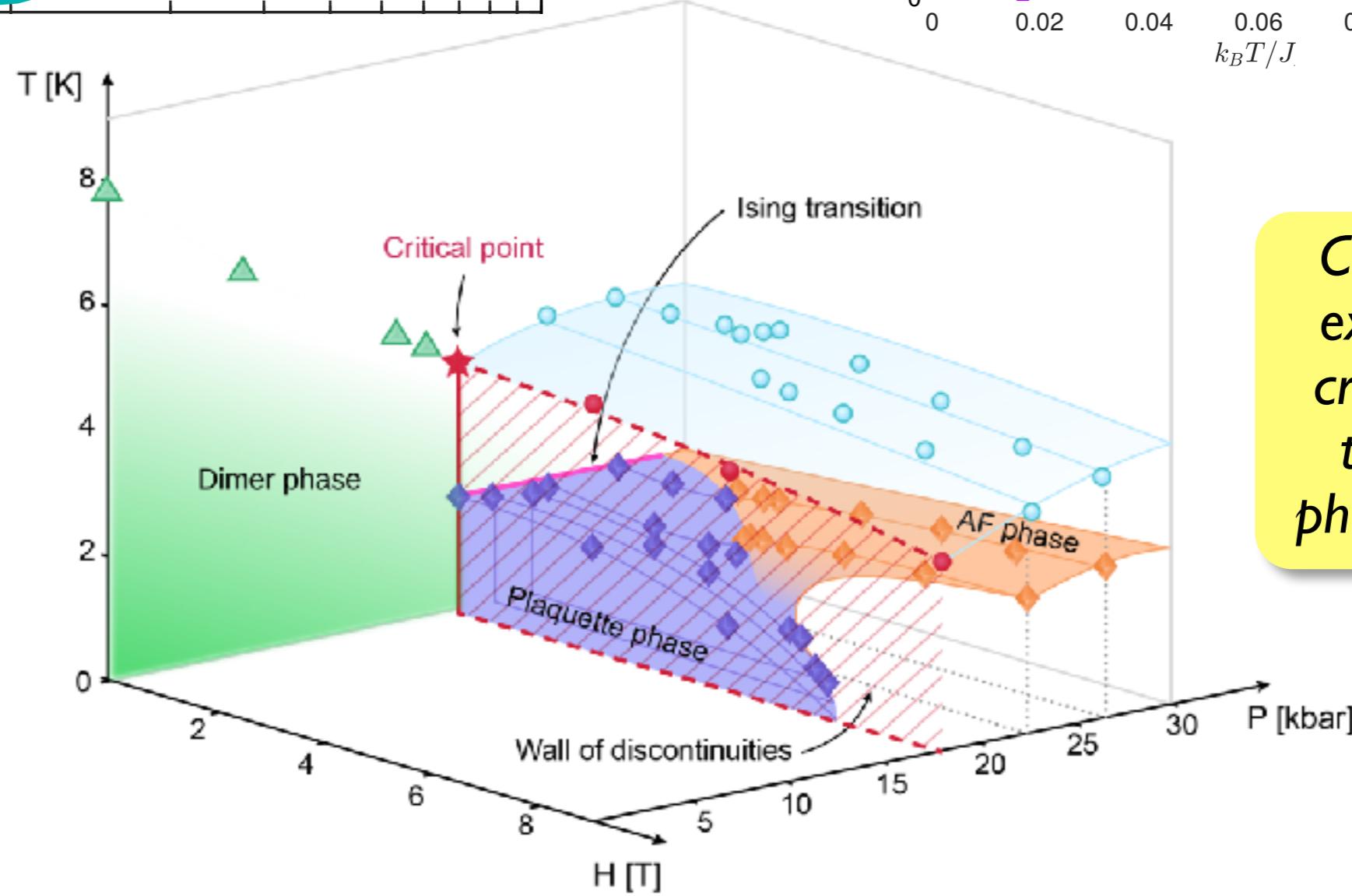
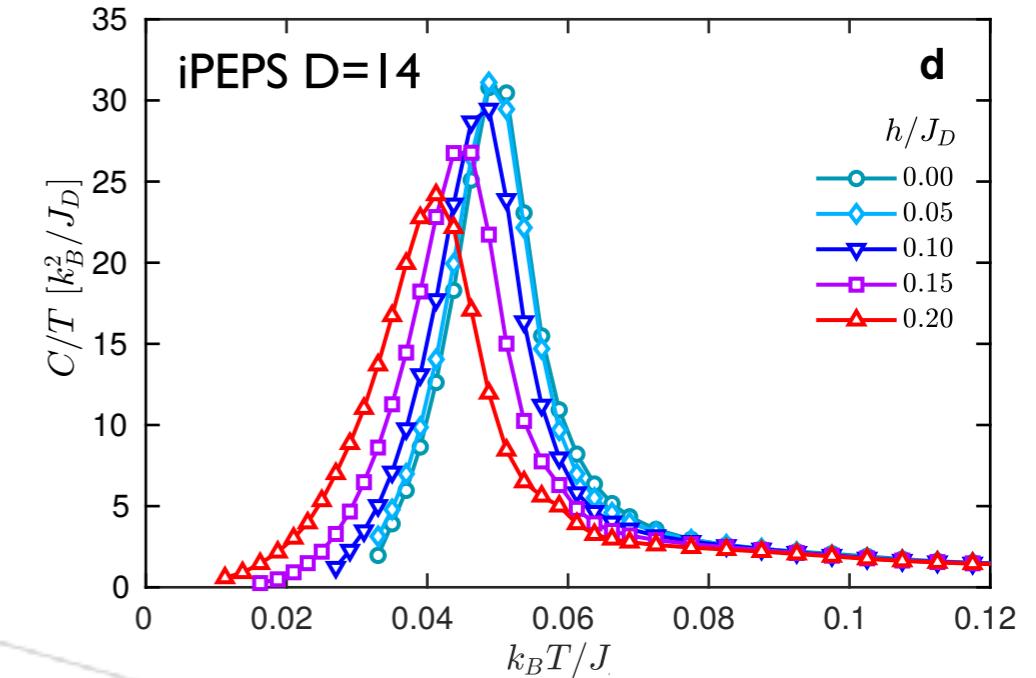
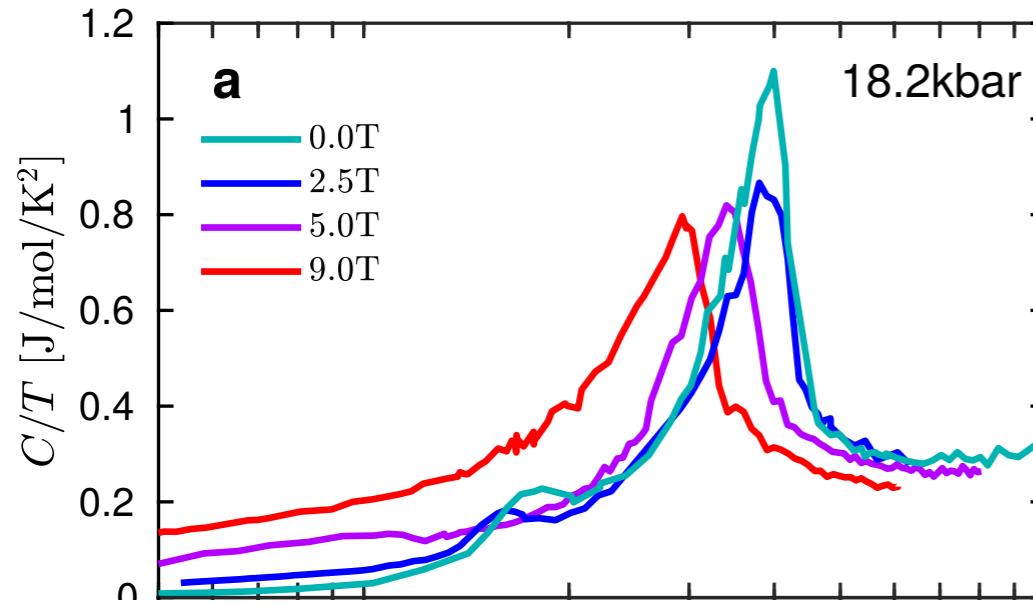
# Jump in $\langle S \cdot S \rangle$ on dimer



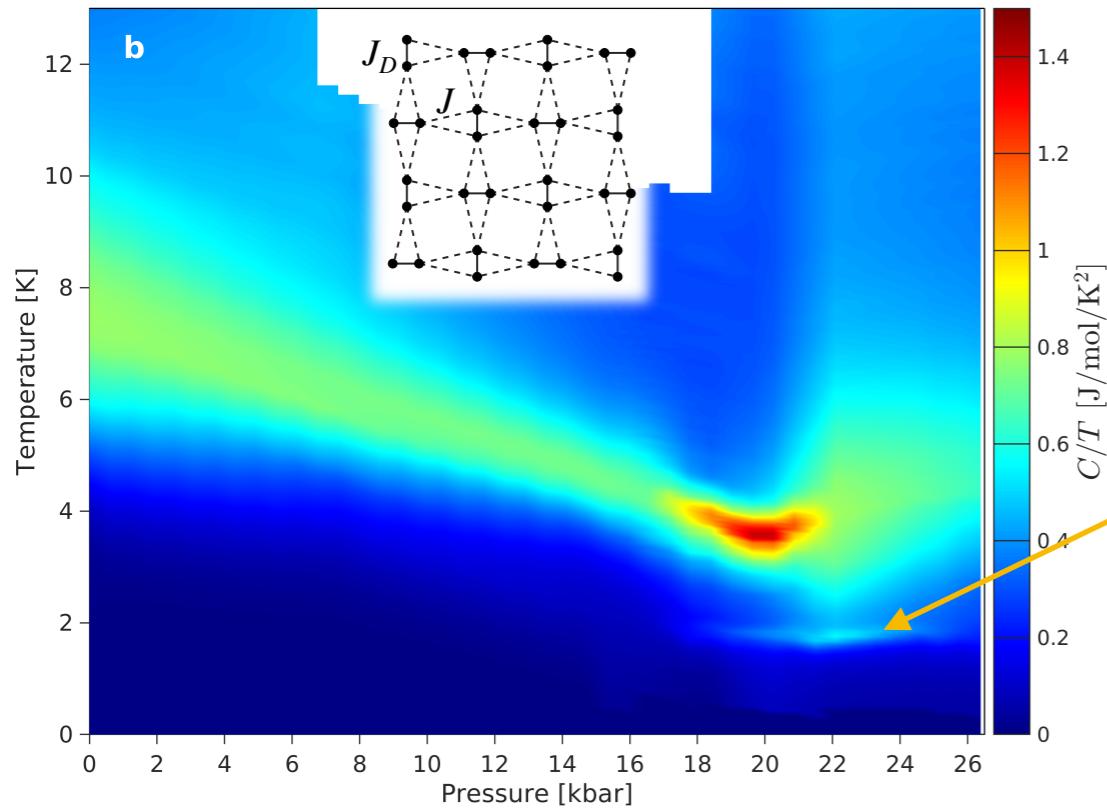
Clear evidence of a first order line  
with a critical point compatible with  
the 2D Ising universality class



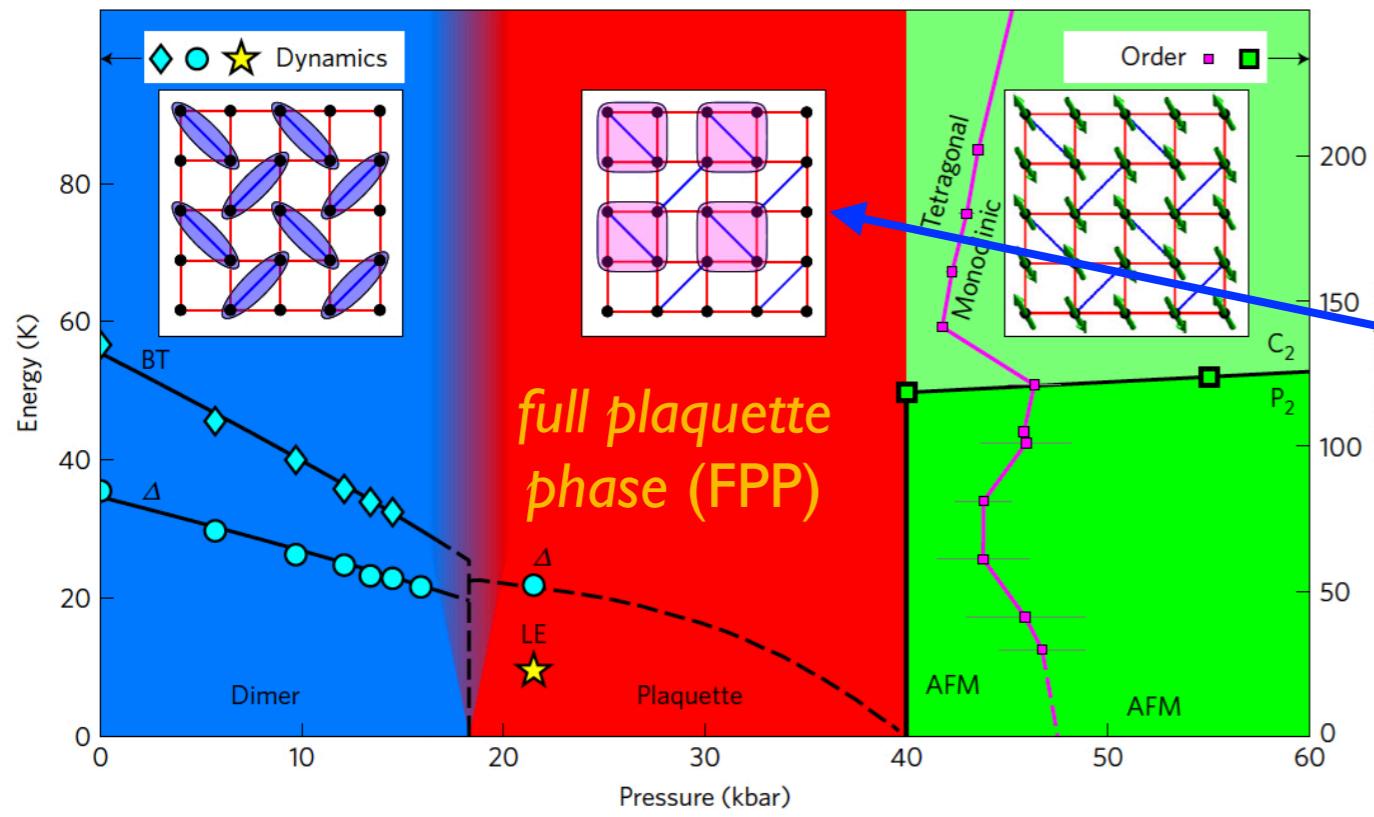
# Effect of a finite magnetic field



# Open challenges

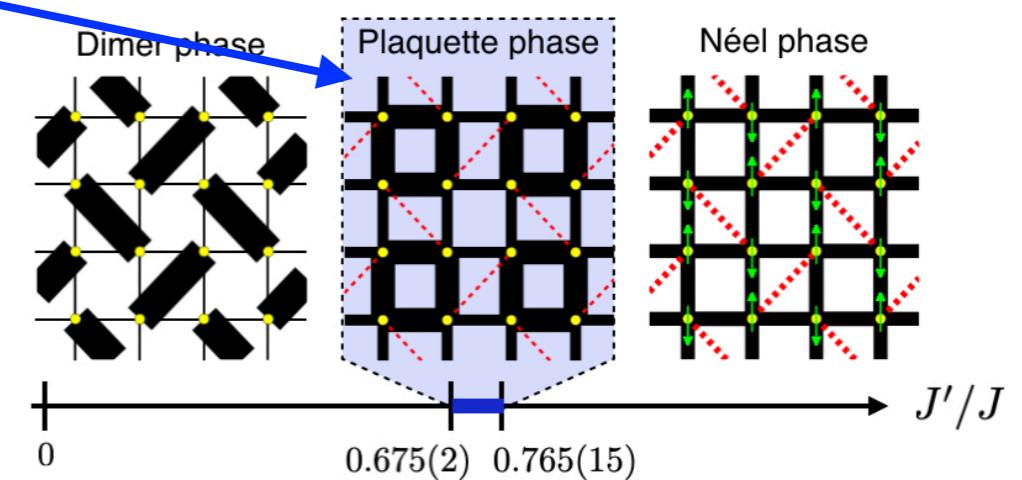


*too low  $T$  to obtain reliable data with iPEPS (currently)*



► Inelastic neutron scattering:  
full plaquette phase (FPP), not  
empty plaquette phase (EPP)

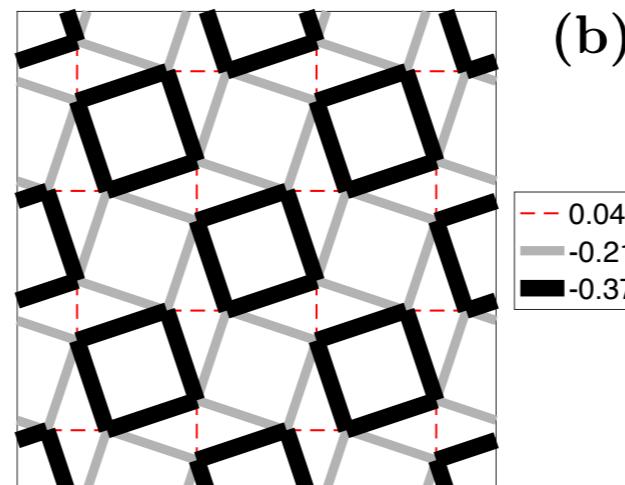
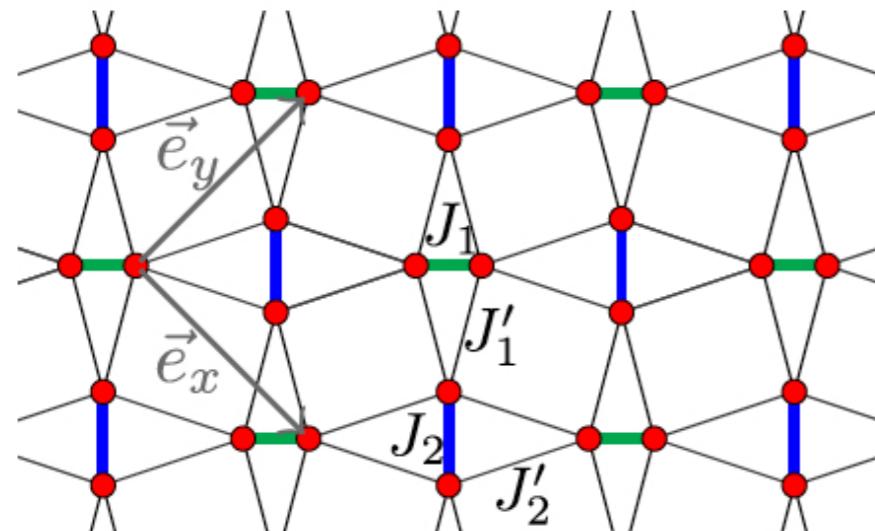
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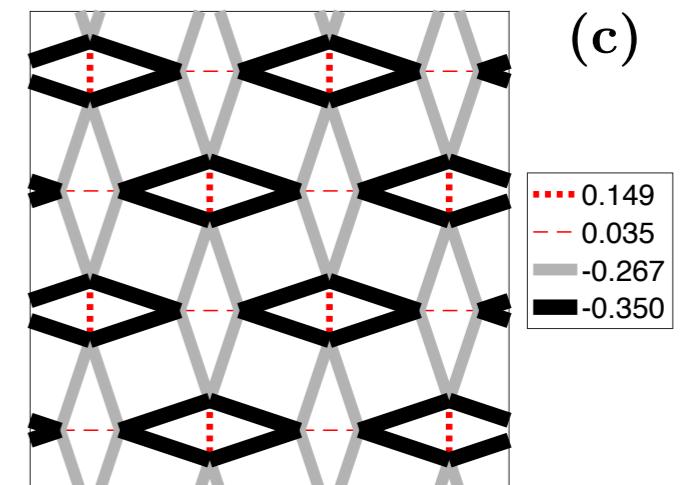
# SrCu<sub>2</sub>(BO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> under pressure

Boos, Crone, Niesen, PC, Schmidt & Mila, PRB 100 (2019)

- Distorted Shastry-Sutherland model: competition between EPP and FPP phase



(b)

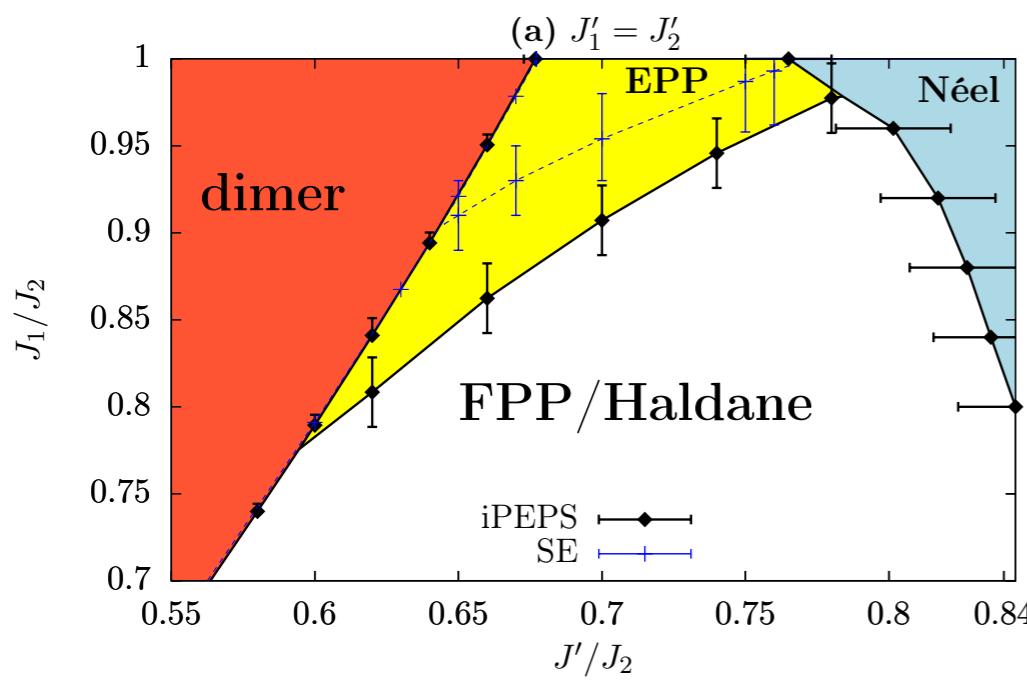


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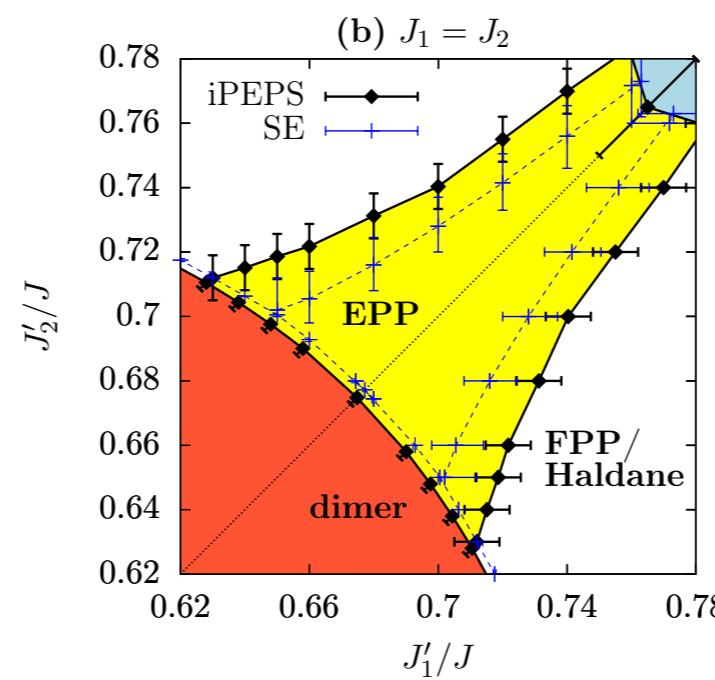
*EPP*

*vs*

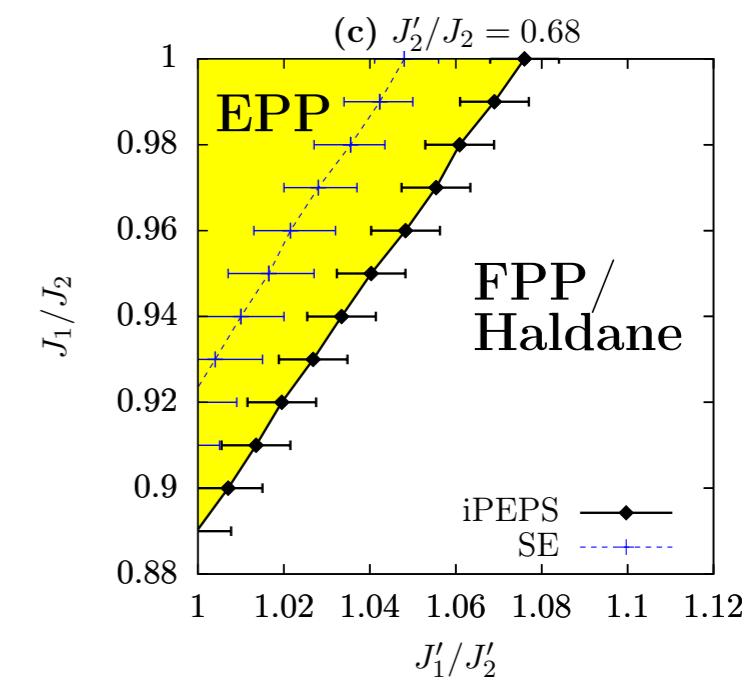
*FPP*



(a)  $J'_1 = J'_2$



(b)  $J_1 = J_2$



(c)  $J'_2/J_2 = 0.68$

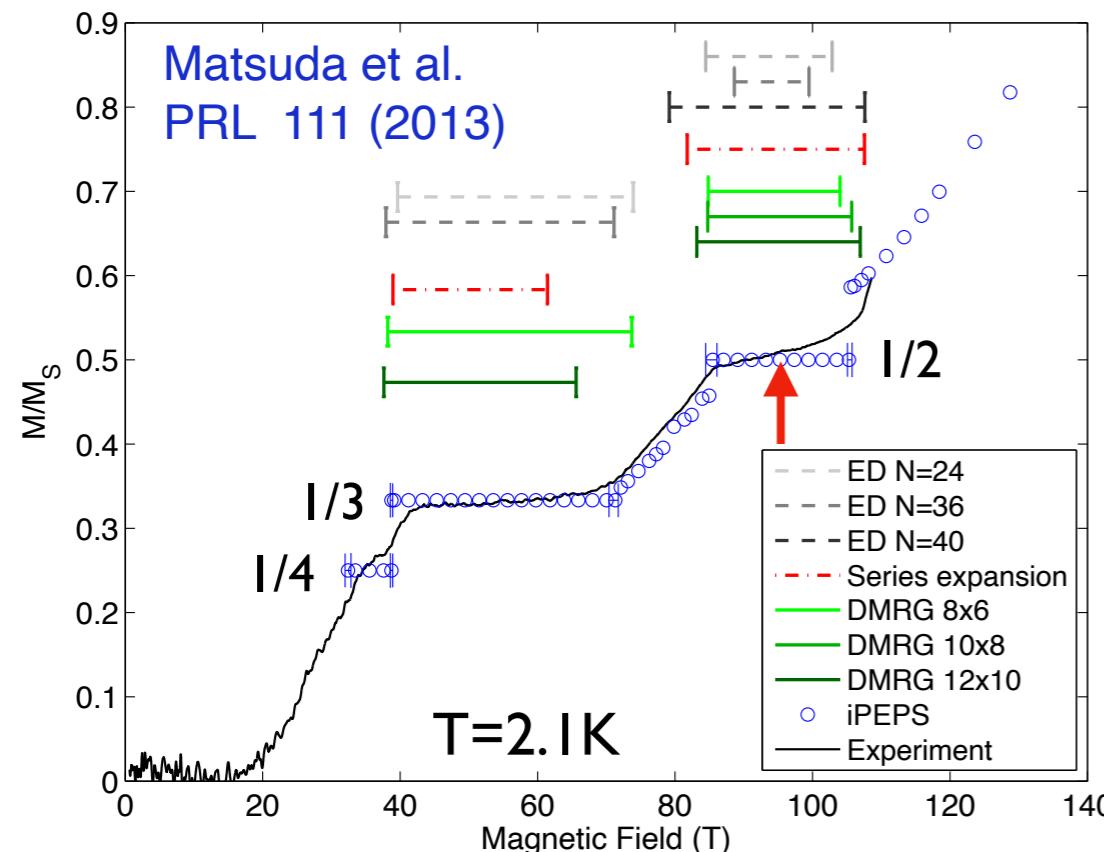
- Small deformation leads to FPP phase!

But precise model still unclear...

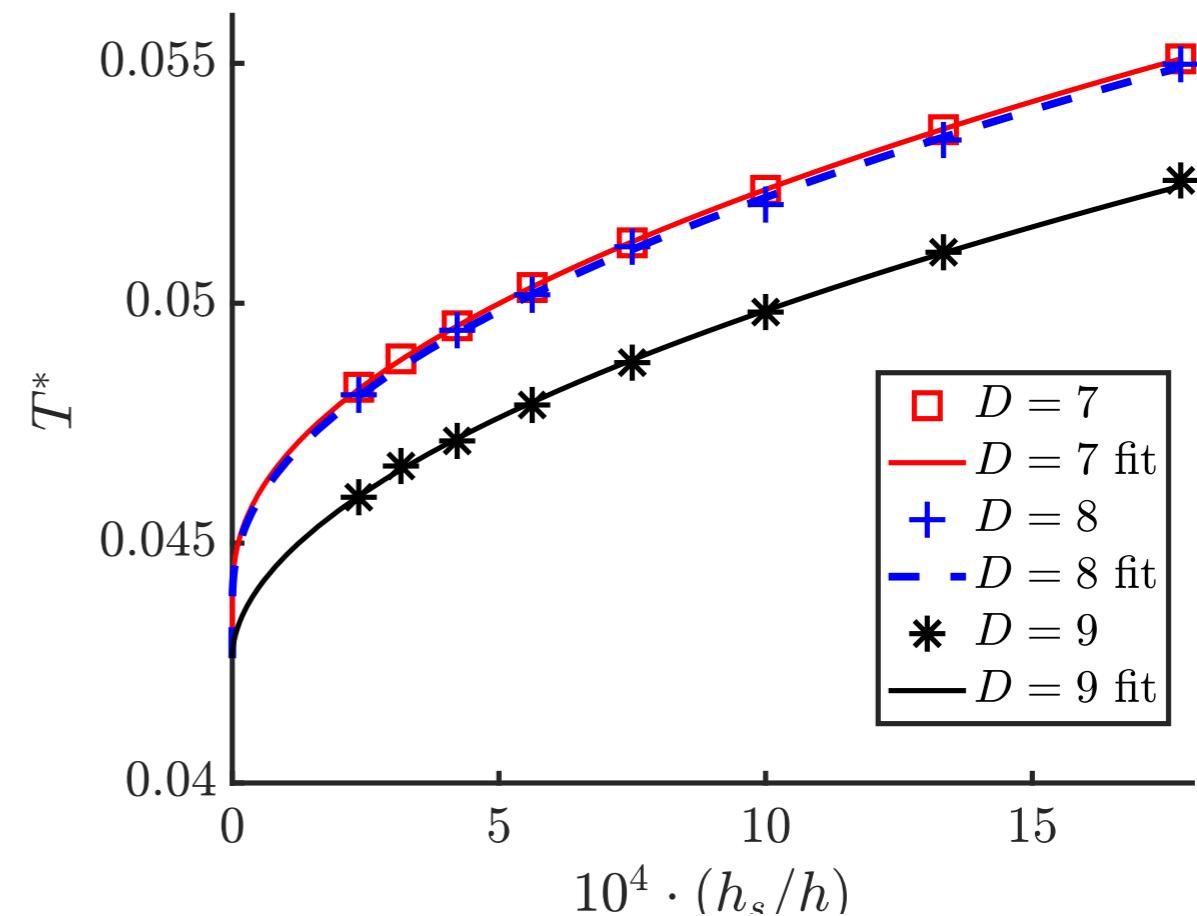
# Finite T study of the m=1/2 plateau in SrCu<sub>2</sub>(BO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

P. Czarnik, M. M. Rams, PC, and J. Dziarmaga, PRB 103, 075113 (2021)

High-field magnetization data



Systematic scaling analysis



$$T^*(h_s, \xi_D) = T_c + ah_s^{1/\tilde{\beta}\delta} + \frac{b}{\xi_D^c} h_s^{(1-cv)/\tilde{\beta}\delta}$$

Critical exponents compatible  
with 2D Ising universality class

$T_c = 0.043(2)J \approx 3.5(2)K$

# Conclusion

- ✓ iPEPS has become a useful tool to study systems at finite T
- ✓ Confirmed the presence of a finite temperature Ising critical point in  $\text{SrCu}_2(\text{BO}_3)_2$ , analogous to the critical point of water
- ✓ Similar physics expected in related models / materials

- Open challenges:
  - ▶ Improving finite-T iPEPS at low T to study transition into plaquette phase
  - ▶ For a quantitative comparison with experiments at low T modified Shastry-Sutherland model may be required

Thank you for your attention!