

Possibility of phase transition on superfluid vortex under Higgs confinement crossover

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8 / 10 YITP Compact Starts in QCD Phase diagram

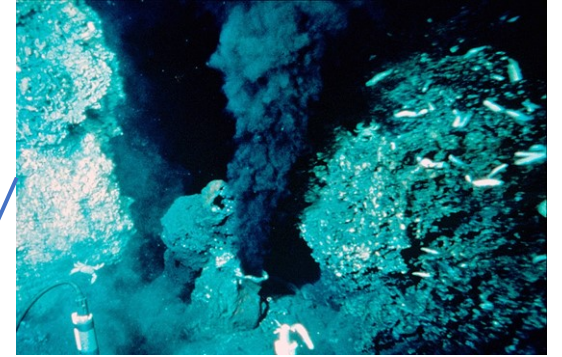
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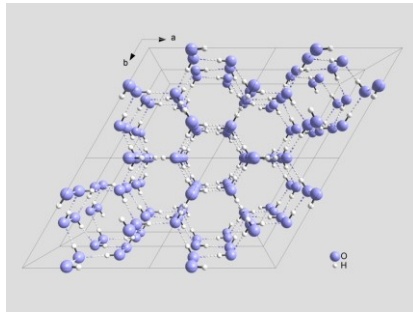
Symmetry and phase

Translational symmetry

indistinguishable

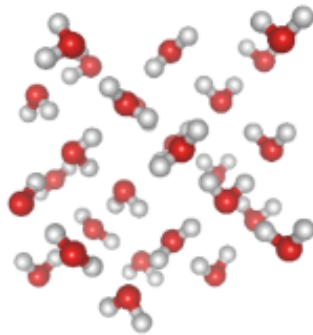


Hydrothermal vent

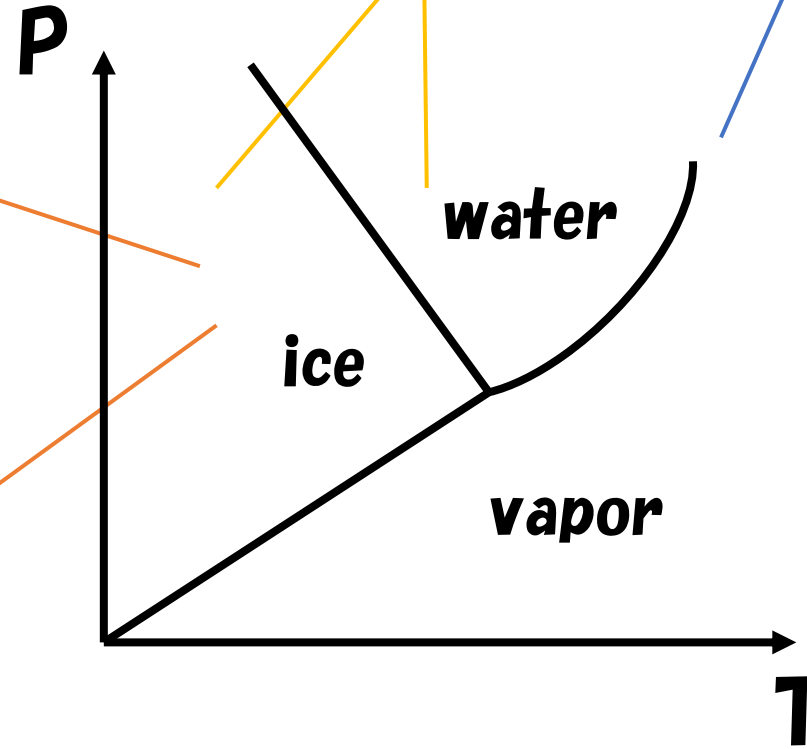


Ih phase
hexagonal \mathbb{Z}_6

Discrete symmetry



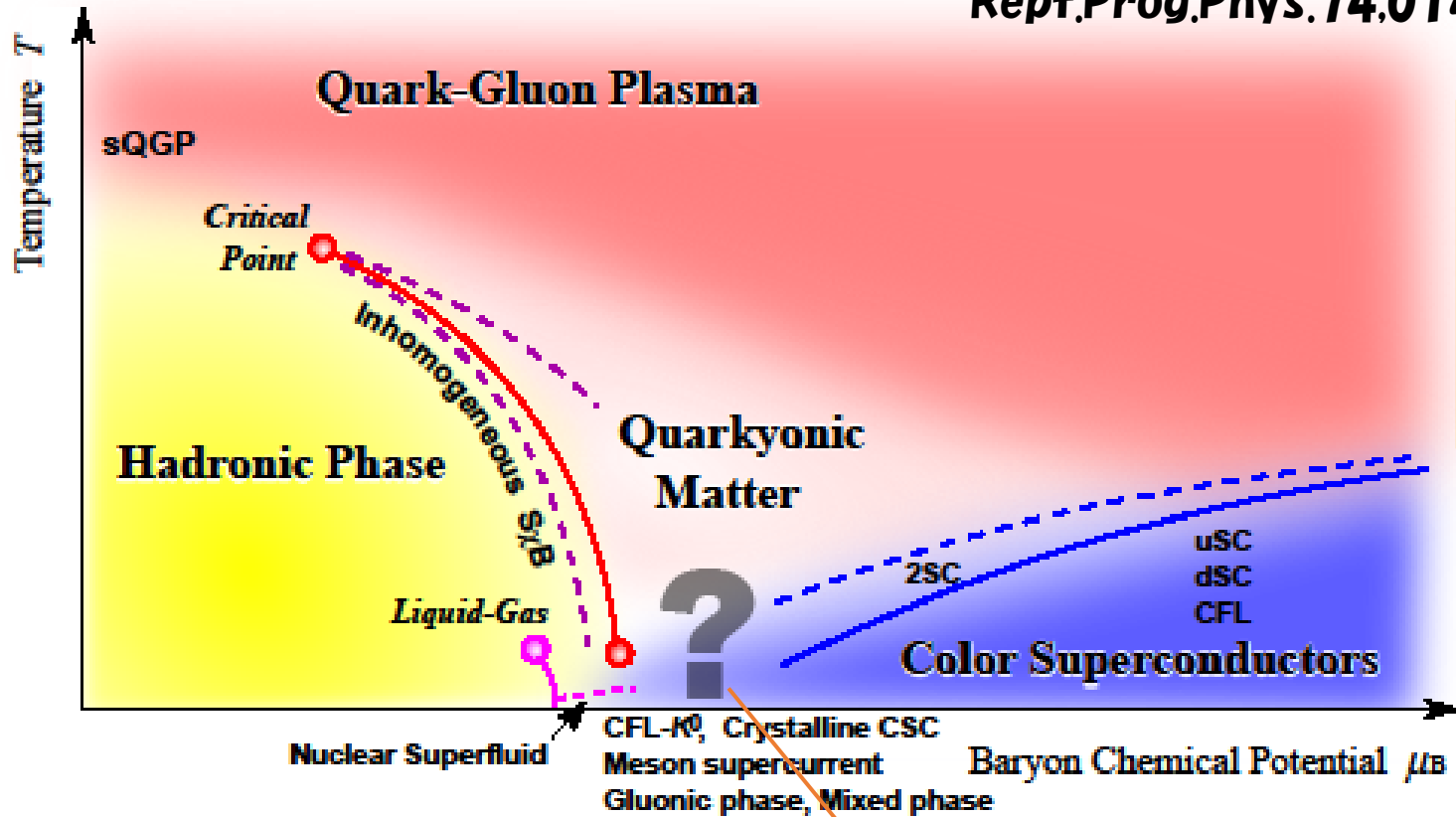
Ic phase cubic \mathbb{Z}_4



Water phase diagram

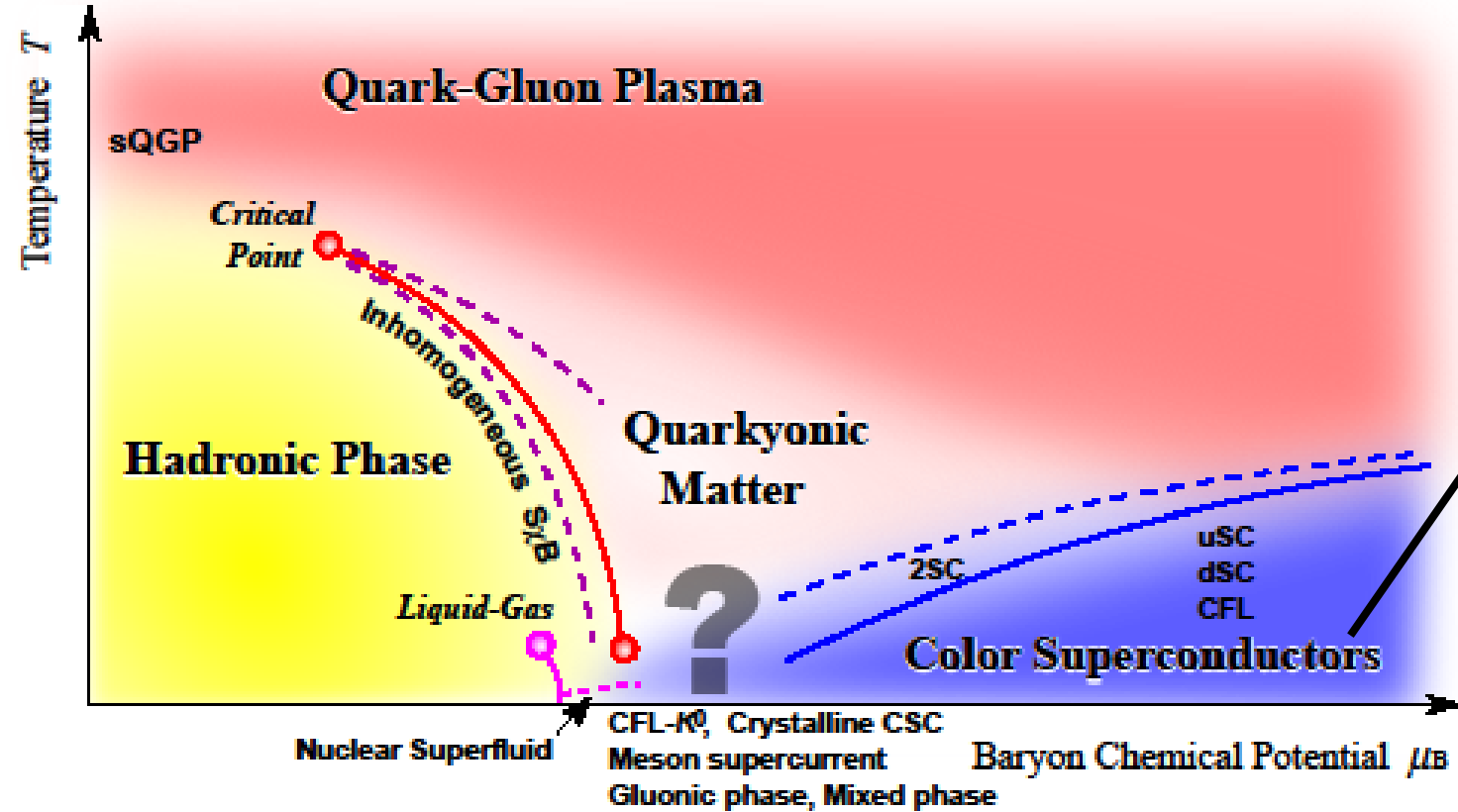
QCD phase diagram

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Global symmetry
 $G = SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times U(1)_Q$
 $SU(3) \cdots \text{flavor (u,d,s)}$

**What happens between hadronic phase and color superconductor?
 Can we distinguish the boundary?**



In high density...
Color Flavor Locking (CFL) phase
diquark condensate

$$(\Phi_L)_a^i = \epsilon^{ijk} \epsilon_{abc} \langle (q_L)_j^b (Cq_L)_k^c \rangle$$

$$(\Phi_R)_a^i = \epsilon^{ijk} \epsilon_{abc} \langle (q_R)_j^b (Cq_R)_k^c \rangle$$

$$\Phi \equiv \Phi_L = -\Phi_R = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{CFL} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta_{CFL} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Delta_{CFL} \end{pmatrix}$$

Indices are color (r,g,b) and flavor (u,d,s) because of the Cooper pairing

Global symmetry breaking pattern

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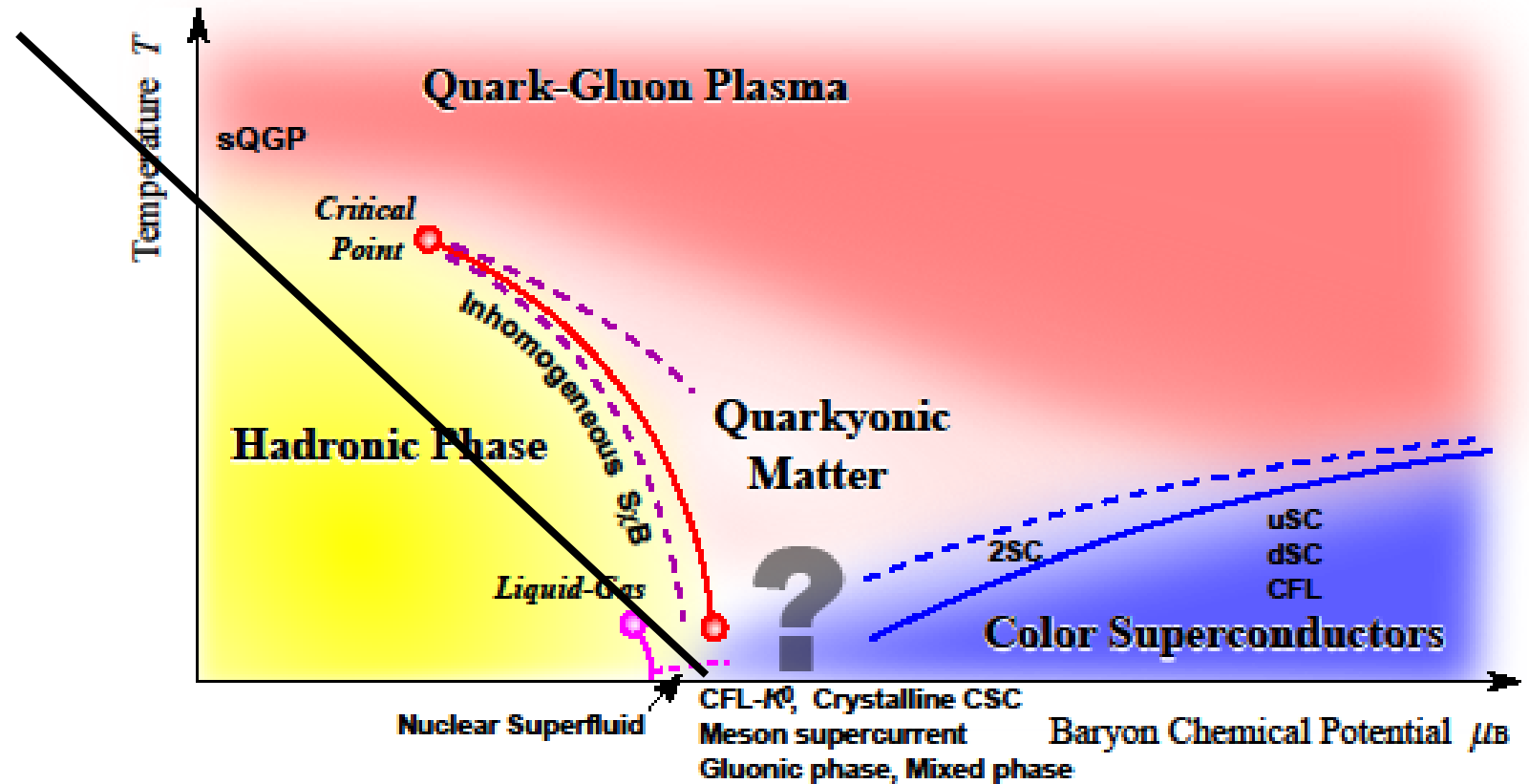
In low density... Hadronic phase

$2 \Lambda (uds) = \text{dibaryon condensate}$

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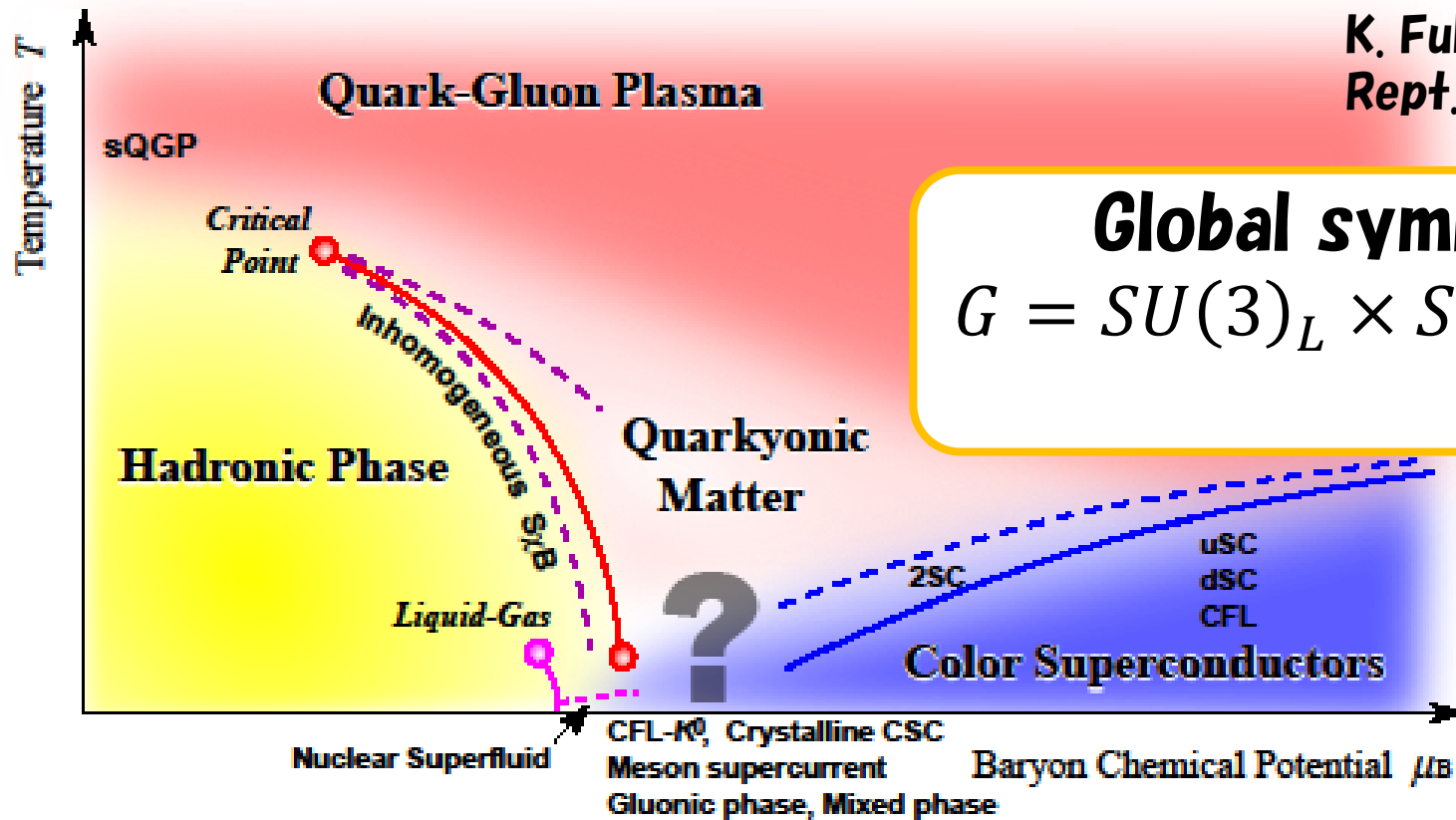
$$\Lambda = \epsilon^{abc} \epsilon_{ijk} q_a^i q_b^j q_c^k$$

$$\langle \Lambda \Lambda \rangle \neq 0$$



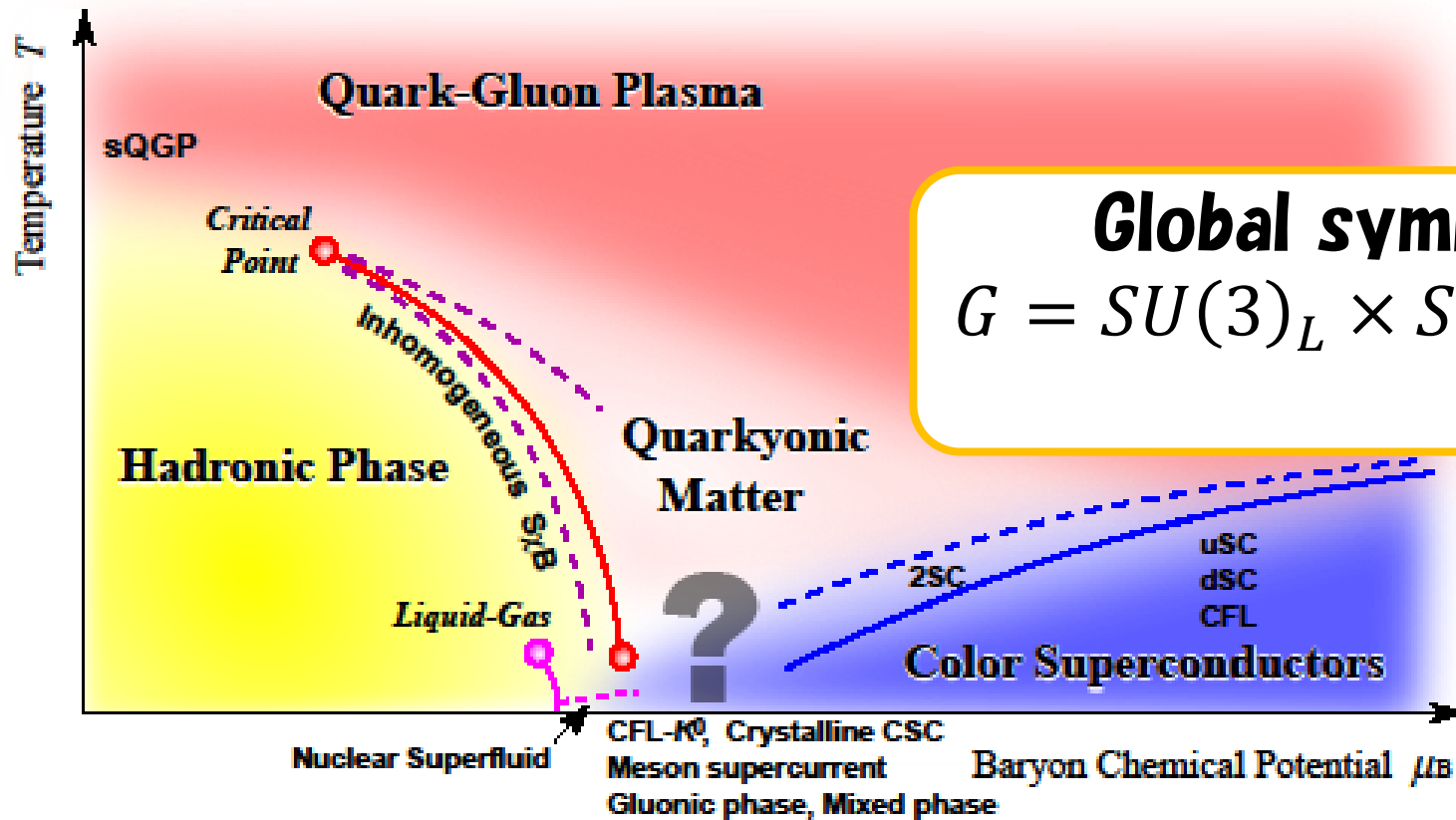
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Possibility 1...These two phase cannot be distinguished.
 Schafer and Wilczek,PRL82.3956(1999)
 Hatsuda,Tachibana,Yamamoto,Baym,PRL97.122001(2006)
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 Hayashi PRL132.221901(2024)



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Possibility 2...There is quantum phase transition
 Cherman, Sen, Yaffe, PRD 100, 034015 (2019)
 Cherman, Jacobson, Sen, Yaffe Phys.Rev.D 102 (2020) 10, 105021
 Cherman, Jacobson, Sen, Yaffe JHEP06 (2024)200

Today...

**No *phase transition on bulk,*
but phase transition on vortex in
 *$U(1) \times U(1)$ model in $3+1$ dim***

Action

$U_\mu(x) \cdots U(1)$ **valued link variable**

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$$S = \frac{\beta_g}{2} \sum_x U_p(x) - \frac{\beta_H}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \phi_1^*(x) U_\mu(x) \phi_1(x + \hat{\mu}) - \frac{\beta_H}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \phi_2^*(x) U_\mu(x) \phi_2(x + \hat{\mu}) + c.c$$

or

$$S = -\frac{\beta_g}{2} \sum_x U_p(x) - \beta_H \sum_{x,\mu} (\cos(\Delta_\mu \theta_1 + A_\mu(x)) + \cos(\Delta_\mu \theta_2 + A_\mu(x)))$$

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Symmetry

$U(1)$ **gauge** : $\phi_1(x) \rightarrow e^{i\lambda(x)} \phi_1$, $\phi_2 \rightarrow e^{i\lambda(x)} \phi_2$

$U(1)$ **global** : $\phi_1(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \phi_1$, $\phi_2 \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha} \phi_2$

Z_2 **Flavor** : $\phi_1 \leftrightarrow \phi_2$

Charge conjugation : $\phi_1 \rightarrow \phi_1^*$, $\phi_2 \rightarrow \phi_2^*$, $U_\mu \rightarrow U_\mu^*$

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Put a domain wall that exchange ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 ,

and study the expectation value by path integral.

Or evaluate $Z' = e^{S'}$ action after exchanging ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 to compare the original $Z = e^S$.

In bulk structure (no vortex)

$$S = \frac{\beta_g}{2} \sum_x U_p(x) - \frac{\beta_H}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \phi_1^*(x) U_\mu(x) \phi_1(x + \hat{\mu}) - \frac{\beta_H}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \phi_2^*(x) U_\mu(x) \phi_2(x + \hat{\mu}) + c.c$$

$\phi_1 = \phi_2 = 1$ **or** $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$ **minimize the action.**

$\phi_1 \leftrightarrow \phi_2$ **does not change anything.**

$$\frac{Z'}{Z} = 1$$

On the vortex

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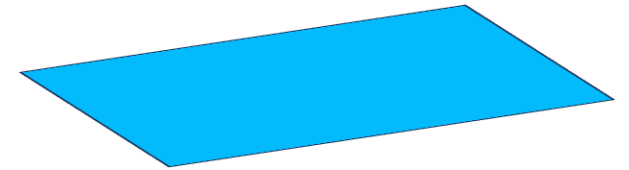
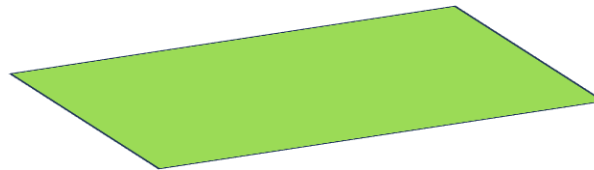
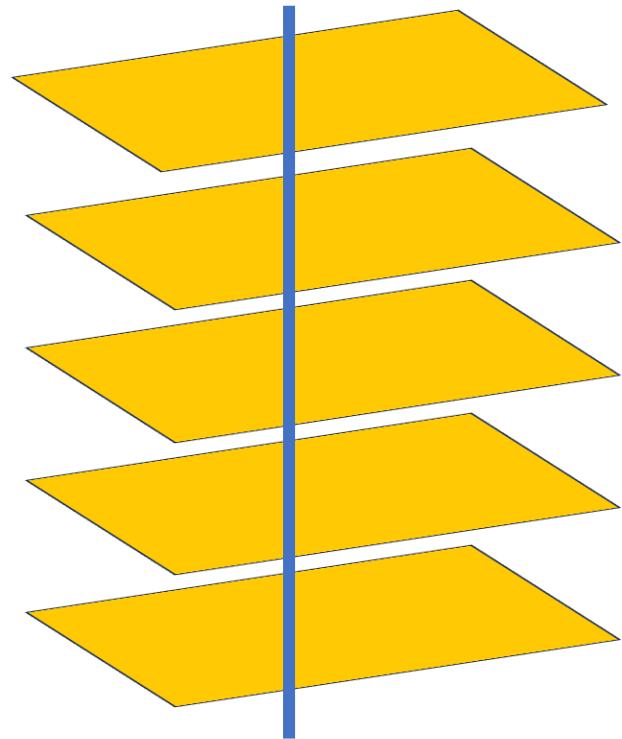
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On each z , winding number is 1: either $(1,0)$ or $(0,1)$



Strong coupling $\beta_g = 0$

Integrate the gauge field

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \int DU_\mu D\phi_1 D\phi_2 \exp \left[2\beta_H \sum_{x,\mu} \cos \left(\frac{\Delta_\mu \theta_1(x) - \Delta_\mu \theta_2(x)}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{\Delta_\mu \theta_1(x) + \Delta_\mu \theta_2(x)}{2} + A_\mu \right) \right] \\ &= \int D\phi_1 D\phi_2 \prod_{x,\mu} I_0 \left[2\beta_H \cos \left(\frac{\Delta_\mu \theta_1(x) - \Delta_\mu \theta_2(x)}{2} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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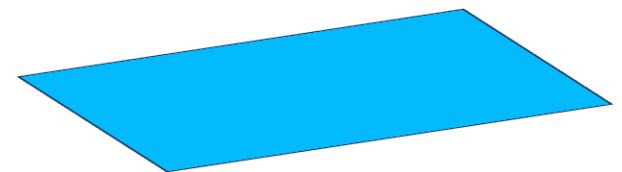
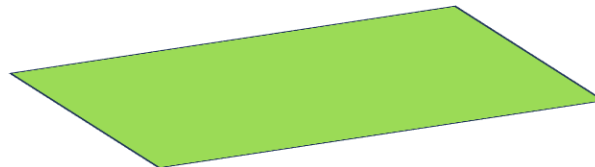
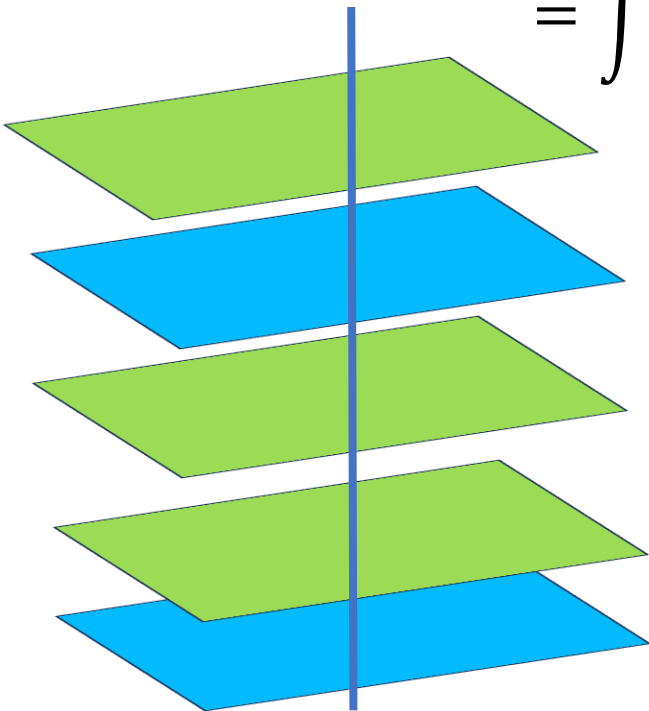
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$$\Delta_\mu \theta_1 - \Delta_\mu \theta_2 = 0$$

Both 1 and 2 vortex can be put on each z



Weak coupling $\beta_g \gg 1$

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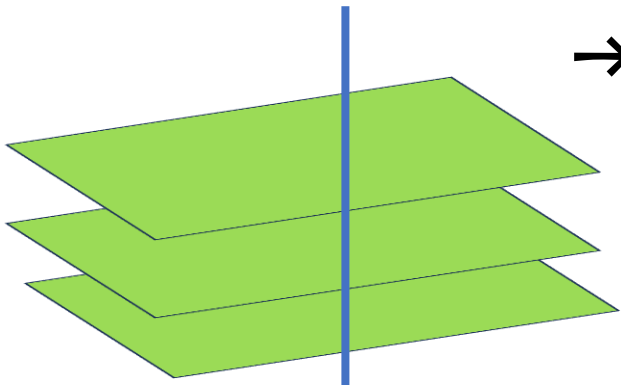
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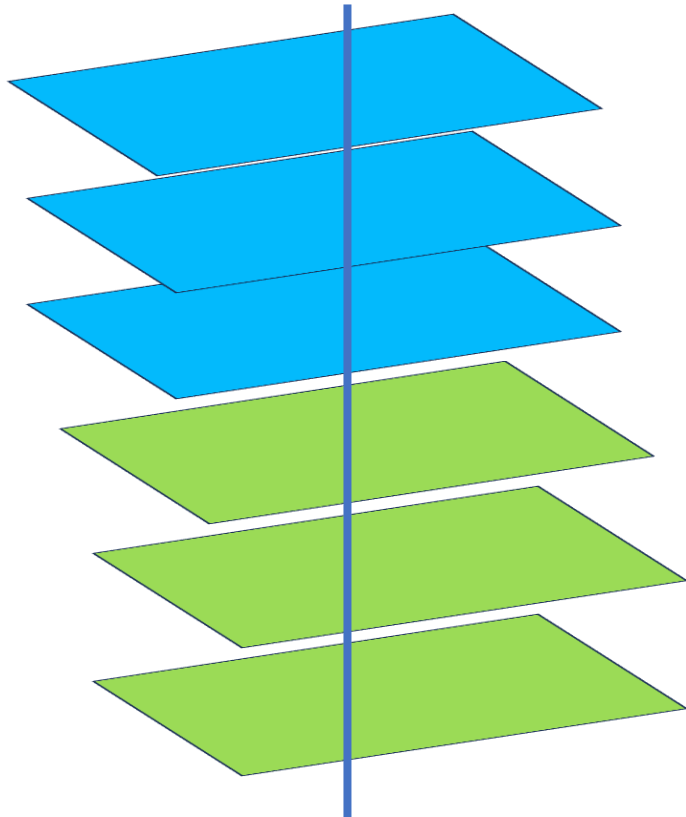
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**Put a domain wall at $z = \frac{1}{2}$ tend to align for neighboring z
 → domain wall arises.**



The evaluation for domain wall

$$Z' \supset \exp[2\beta_H(\cos \theta_1(x_\perp) + \cos \theta_2(x_\perp))] = \exp[4\beta_H \cos \theta_1(x_\perp)]$$

$$\frac{Z'}{Z} = \exp[-2CT\beta_H(1 - \cos \theta(x_\perp))] \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } C, T \rightarrow \infty$$

C ...area of each z slice

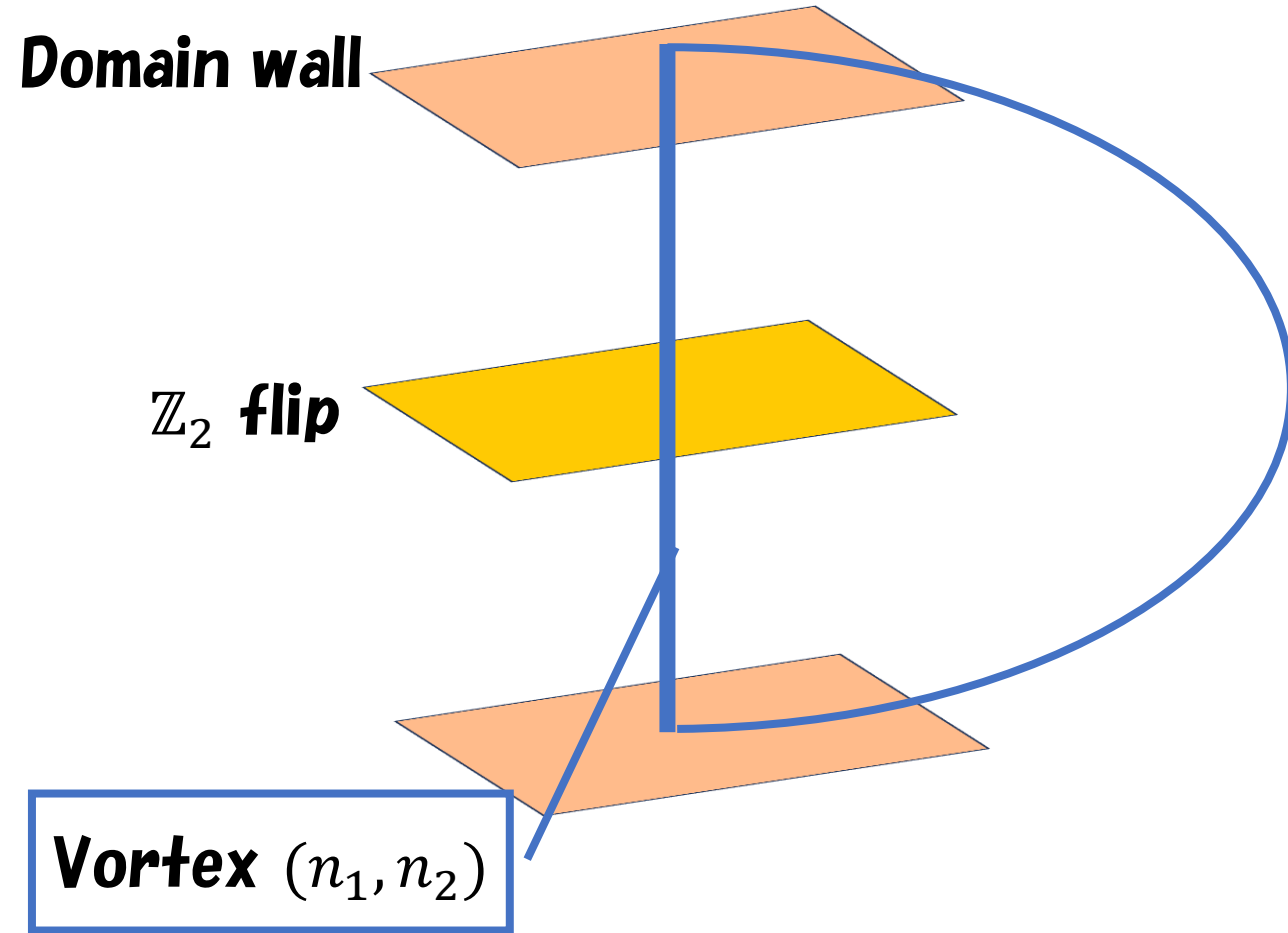
T ...time duration

Result $\frac{Z'}{Z}$

Bulk $\cdots 1$ for strong/weak coupling

Vortex strong coupling $\cdots 1$

Vortex weak coupling $\cdots 0$



SSB of Z_{2F} is happens on the vortex when the coupling is weak.

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$$F_{\mu\nu} = A_\mu(x) + A_\nu(x + \hat{\mu}) - A_\mu(x + \hat{\nu}) - A_\nu(x) \cdots \mathbf{Plaquette}$$

$$a_\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \pi & \mathbf{If} \ \mu = 2, \ x_1 > \frac{N_1}{2} - 1, \ x_2 > \frac{N_2}{2} - 1 \\ 0 & \mathbf{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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vortex

Anti-vortex

Non-zero flux... $f_{12} = a_1(x) + a_2(x + \hat{1}) - a_1(x + \hat{2}) - a_2(x)$

$$f_{12} = \begin{cases} \pi & \text{at } \left(\frac{N_1}{2} - 1, \frac{N_2}{2} - 1\right) \\ -\pi & \text{at } \left(N_1 - 1, \frac{N_2}{2} - 1\right) \end{cases}$$

π

$-\pi$

$$\left(\frac{N_1}{2} - 1, \frac{N_2}{2} - 1\right)$$

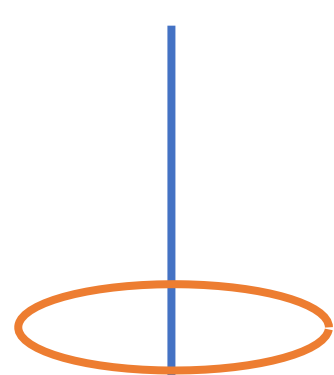
$$\left(N_1 - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{N_2}{2} - 1\right)$$

Correlation function

Wilson loop $W(x_3, x_4) = e^{\oint A_\mu} = e^{iF_{12}\left(\frac{N_1}{2}-1, \frac{N_2}{2}-1, x_3, x_4\right)}$

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Dynamical circulation $\Gamma(x_3, x_4) = \frac{1}{\pi} \log W(x_3, x_4)$

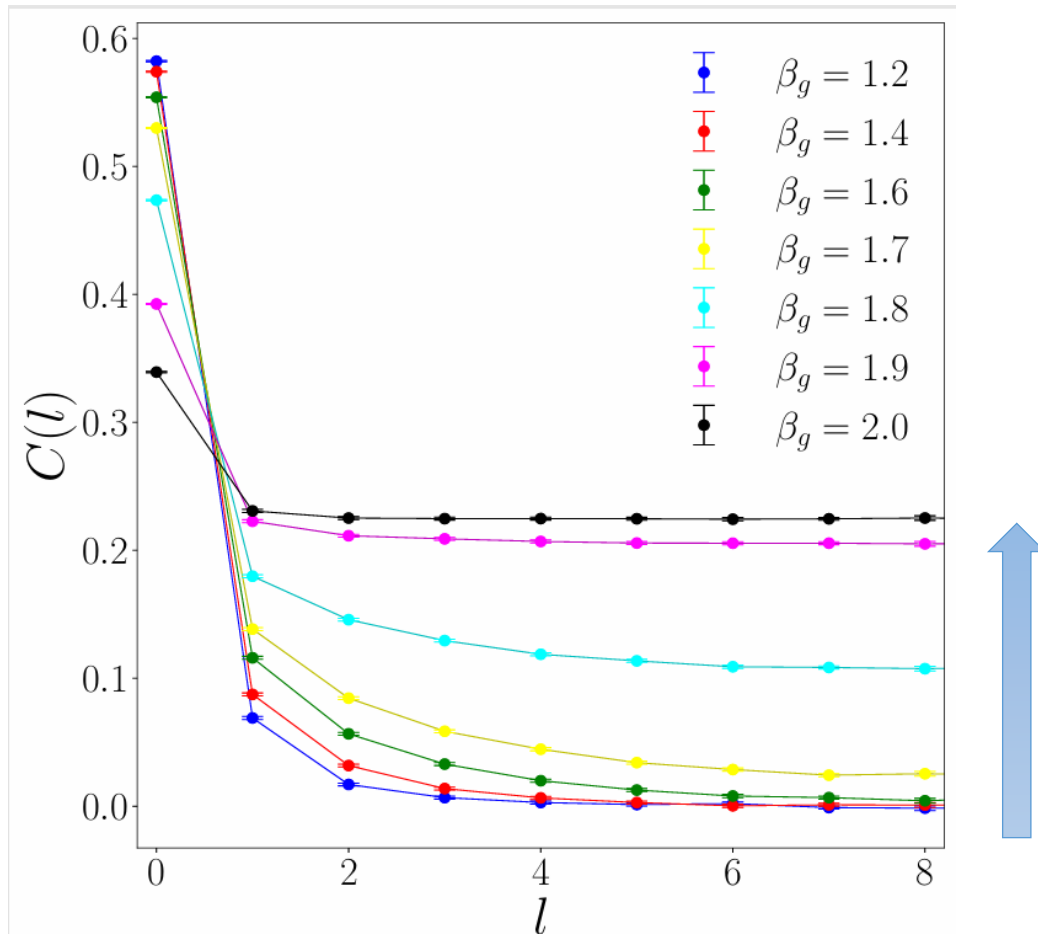
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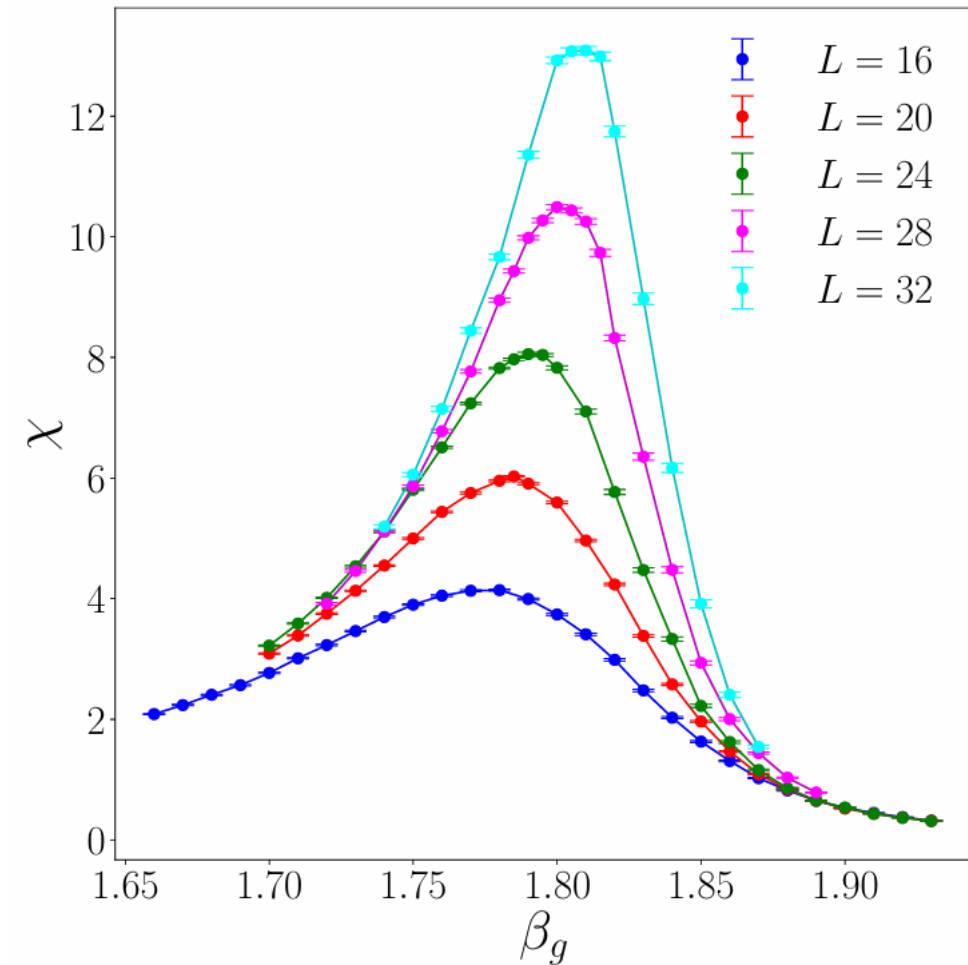


Correlation remains as coupling becomes weak.

Susceptibility...

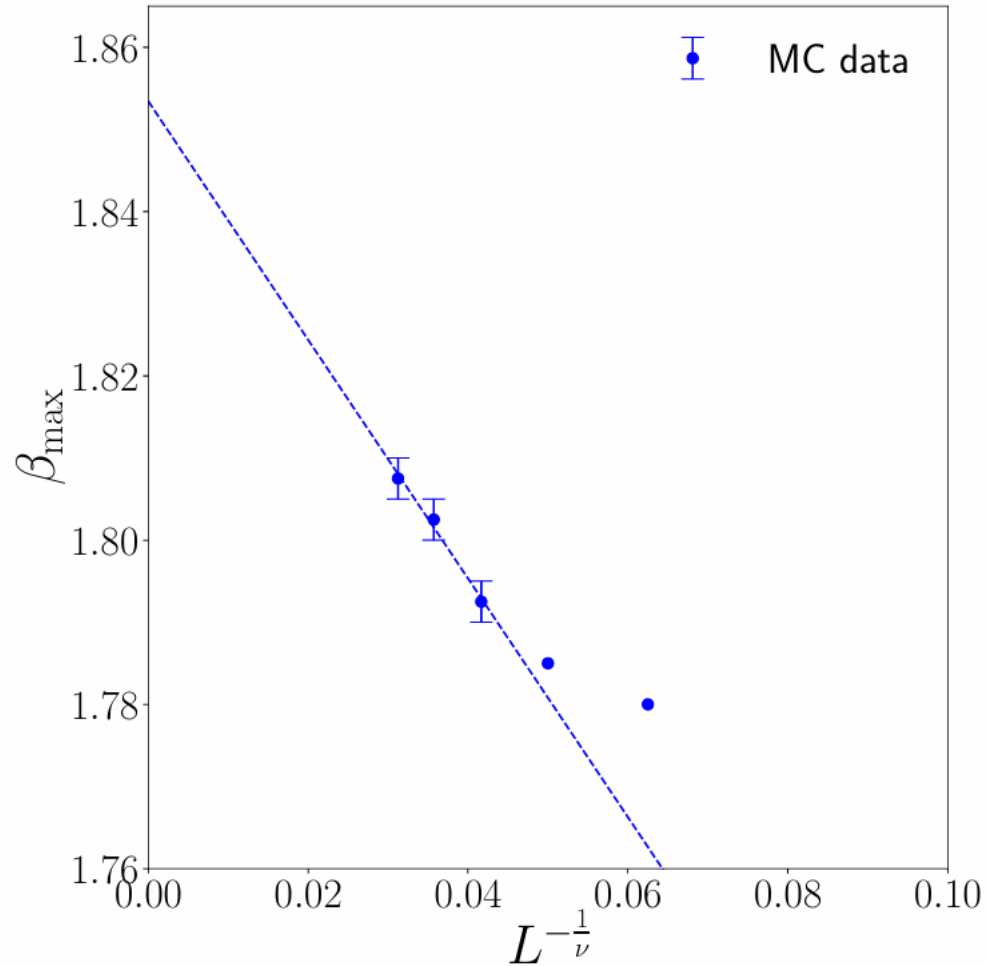
$$m = \frac{1}{N_3 N_4} \sum_{x_3, x_4} \Gamma(x_3, x_4)$$

$$\chi = \langle m^2 \rangle - \langle m \rangle^2$$



showing the same phase transition as quantum Ising model.

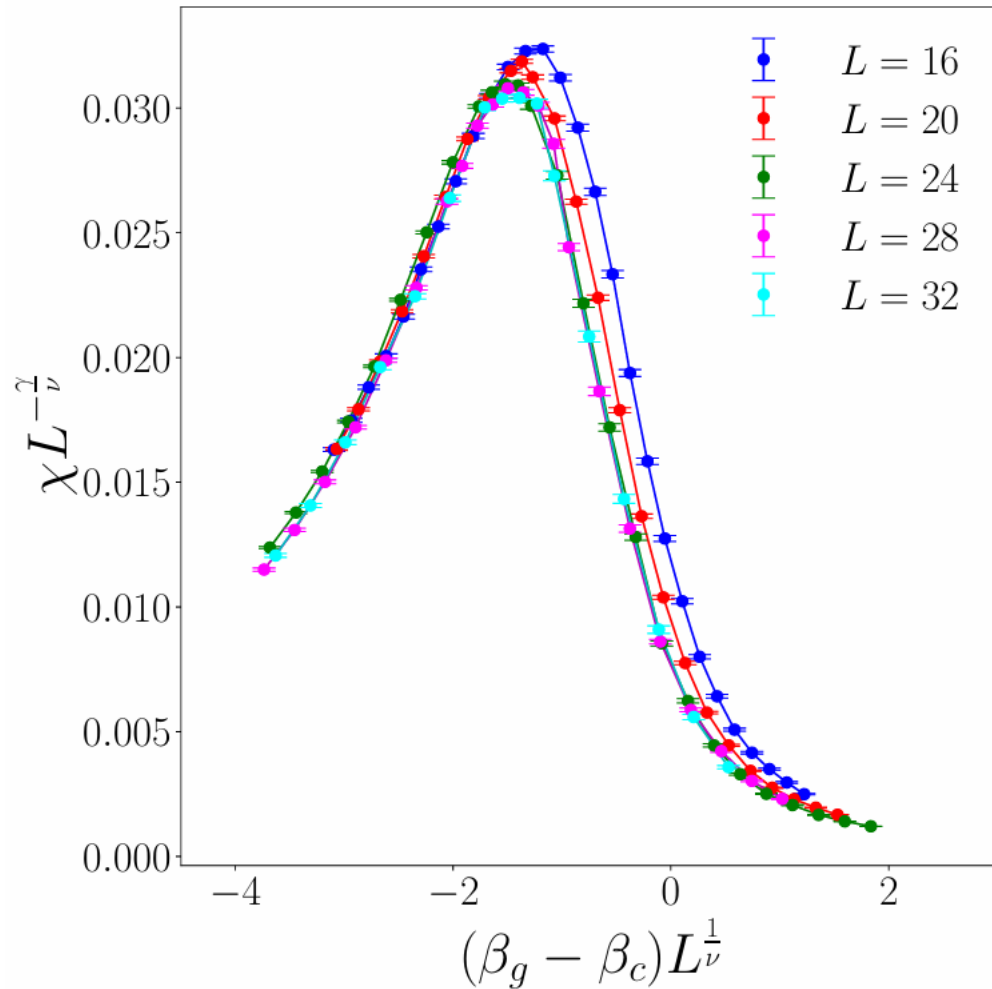
Fitting β_g vs $L^{-\frac{1}{\nu}}$



$\nu = 1$ for quantum Ising
universality class

$$\beta_c = 1.853 \pm 0.006$$

Renormalized dependence



$$\chi L^{-\frac{\gamma}{\nu}} \text{ vs } (\beta_g - \beta_c)^{\frac{1}{\nu}}$$
$$\gamma = \frac{7}{4}$$



Volume independence

Quantum Ising universality class

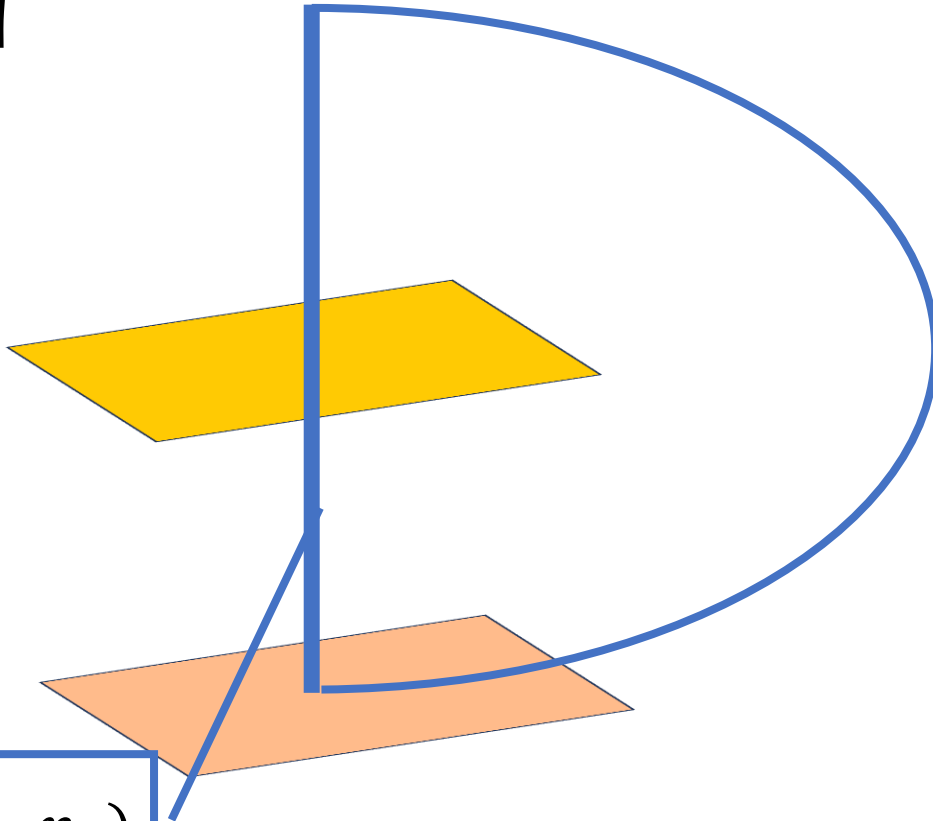
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In $U(1) \times U(1)$ model, we saw that as we decrease the coupling, bulk does not change, but vortex goes through a phase transition.

Analytical way

Domain wall

\mathbb{Z}_2 flip



Vortex (n_1, n_2)

Numerical way

