

DMRG Study of Spinless Fermionic Ladder in the presence of a Magnetic Field

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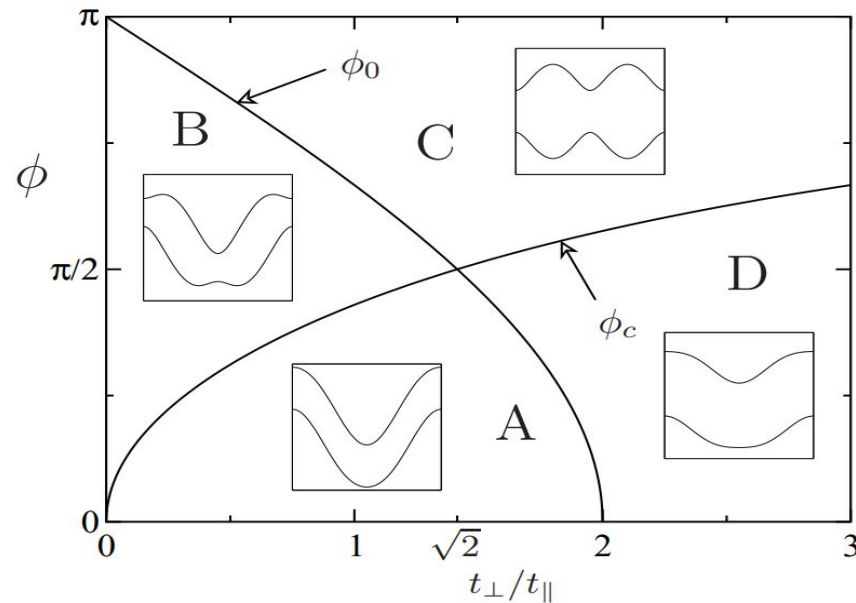


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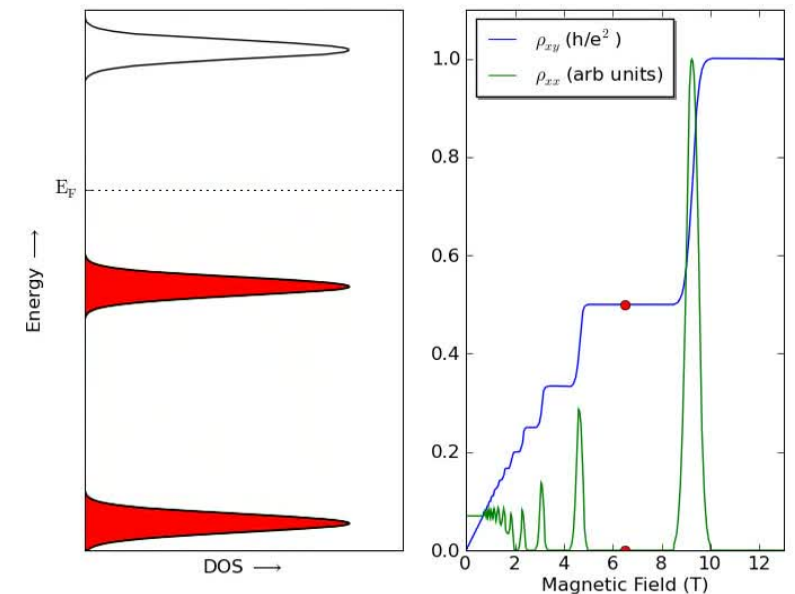
- Overview and Motivation
- Model
- Results for $B = 0$.
- Weak Coupling Regime ($B \neq 0$)
- Summary

Overview [effect of magnetic field]:

- The introduction of magnetic field has a dramatic effect on all properties of the system.
- Even in the absence of interaction, the energy spectrum of a free fermi-gas gets modified¹.
- The most significant consequence of this phenomena is the quantum Hall effect² in 2D.



¹G. Roux, E. Orignac, S. R. White, and D. Poilblanc
Phys. Rev. B 76, 195105 (2007)



²K. Klitzing, G. Dorda, and M. Pepper
Phys. Rev. Lett. 45, 494 (1980)

Ultracold atoms in Optical Lattices:

Neutral Atoms \longleftrightarrow Valence electrons

Optical Lattices \longleftrightarrow Ionic Crystal

Fermions \rightarrow K^{40} , Li^6

Bosons \rightarrow Rb^{87} , Na^{23}

Interactions between the atoms can also be tuned by Feshbach Resonance.

Markus Greiner and Simon Fölling, *Nature* **453**, 736–738.

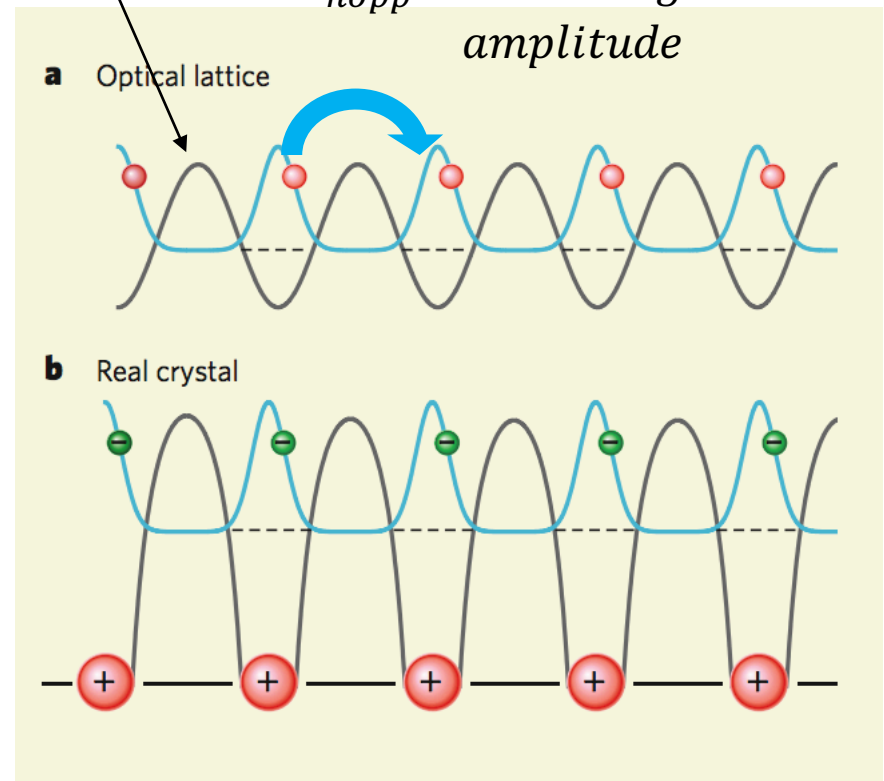
Background Periodic potential:

$$V \propto -V_0 \cos^2(\pi x/a_0)$$

From

$$V = -\vec{d} \cdot \vec{E}$$

$t_{\text{hopp}} \propto$ tunneling amplitude



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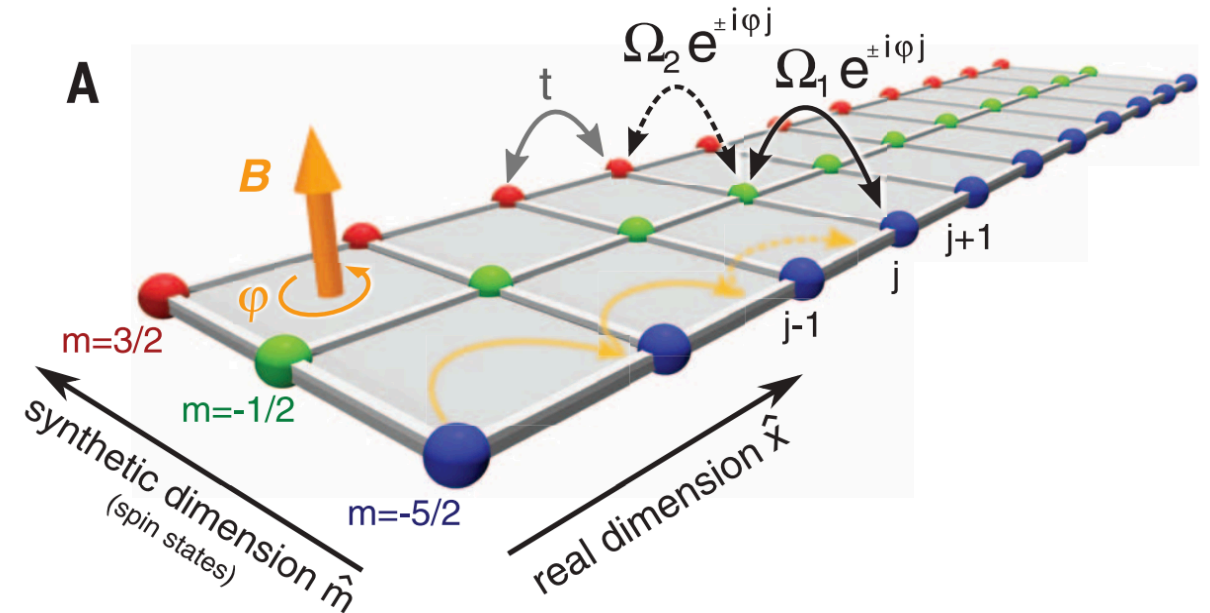
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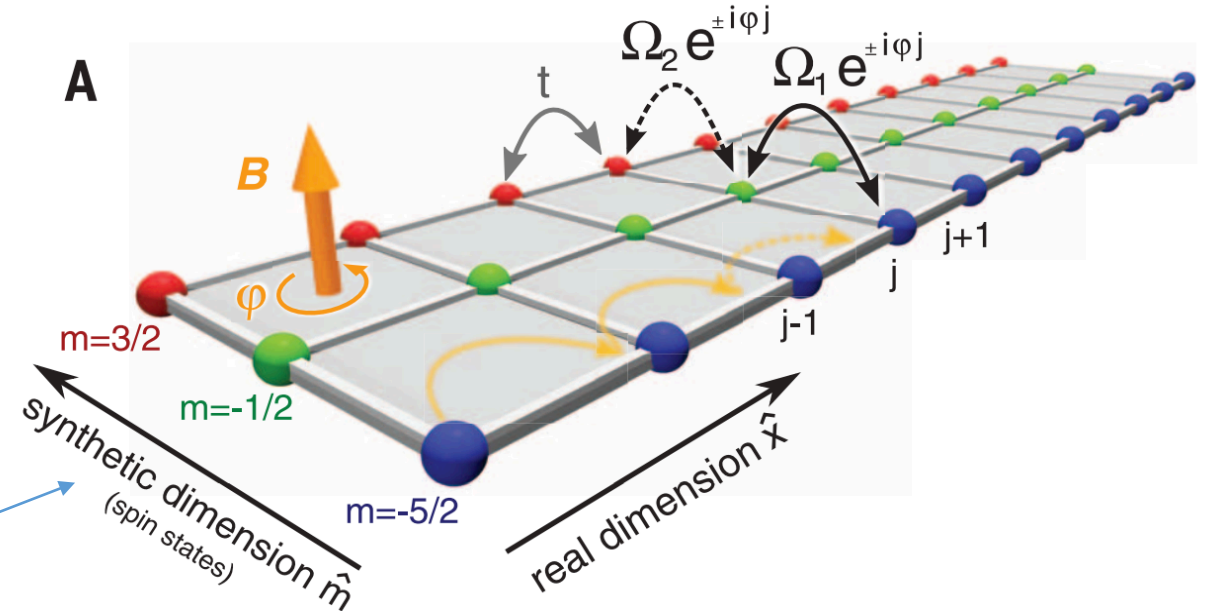
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No. of legs can be tuned in experiment.



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- Longer-range interactions have also been realized in cold atom experiments [*Peter Schauß et al., Nature* **491**, 87–91 (2012).]

Objective:

In past, using analytical calculations (bosonization), “magnetic flux” vs “ U_{onsite}/V_{NN} ” phase diagram have been created.

[*Sam T. Carr et al., Phys. Rev. B* **73**, 195114 (2006)]

We aim towards creating the phase diagram in intermediate and strong coupling limit using an exact Density matrix renormalization group technique, where the analytical techniques does not work.

There have many few DMRG studies on similar models, but a comprehensive study is still missing.

[*Simone Barbarino et al., Nature communications* **6**, 8134 (2015)]

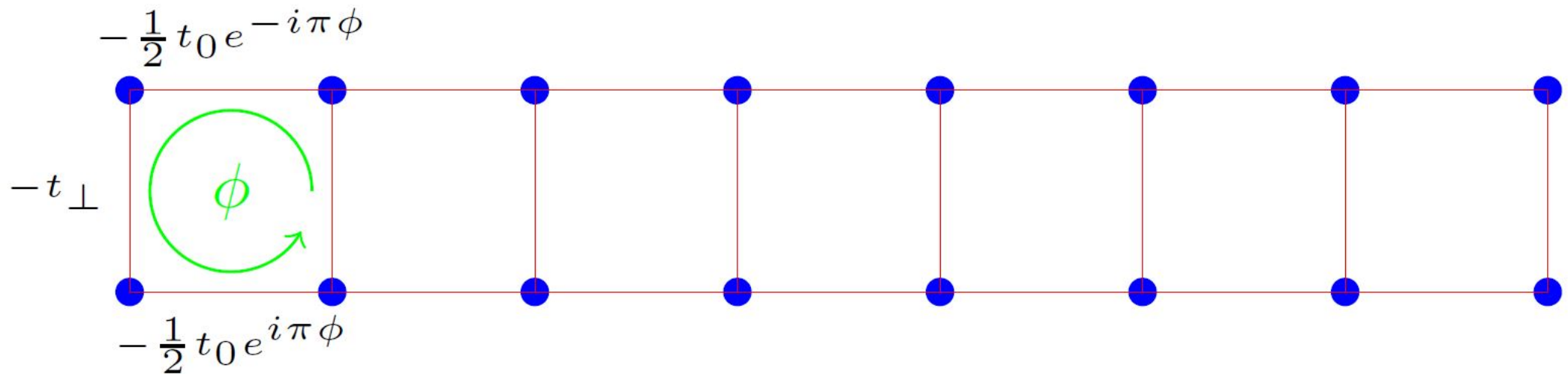
Model

Hamiltonian:

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,\sigma} \left[t_{\parallel}(\sigma) c_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i+1,\sigma} + h.c. \right] - t_{\perp} \sum_i \left[c_{i,1}^{\dagger} c_{i,2} + h.c. \right]$$
$$+ U \sum_i n_{i,1} n_{i,2} + V \sum_{i,\sigma} n_{i,\sigma} n_{i+1,\sigma}$$

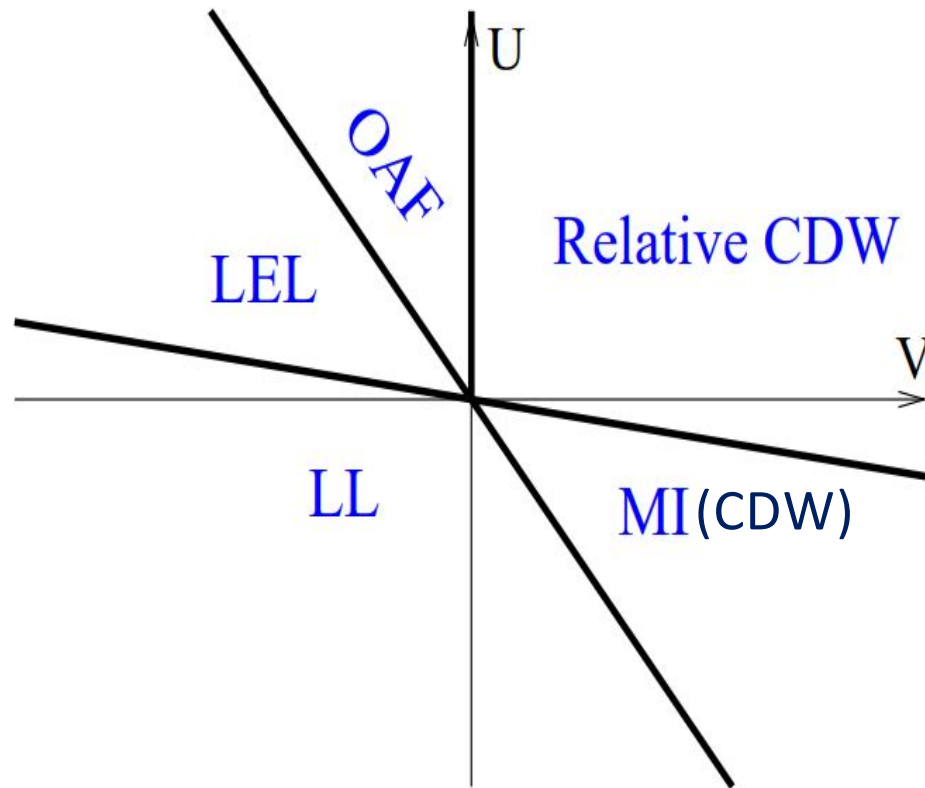
where, $\sigma = 1, 2$ and $t_{\parallel}(1) = t_0 e^{-i\pi\phi}$, $t_{\parallel}(2) = t_0 e^{i\pi\phi}$, defining $\tau = t_{\perp}/t_0$.

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Phase diagram for $\phi=0$ (in the literature)

- At half filling:



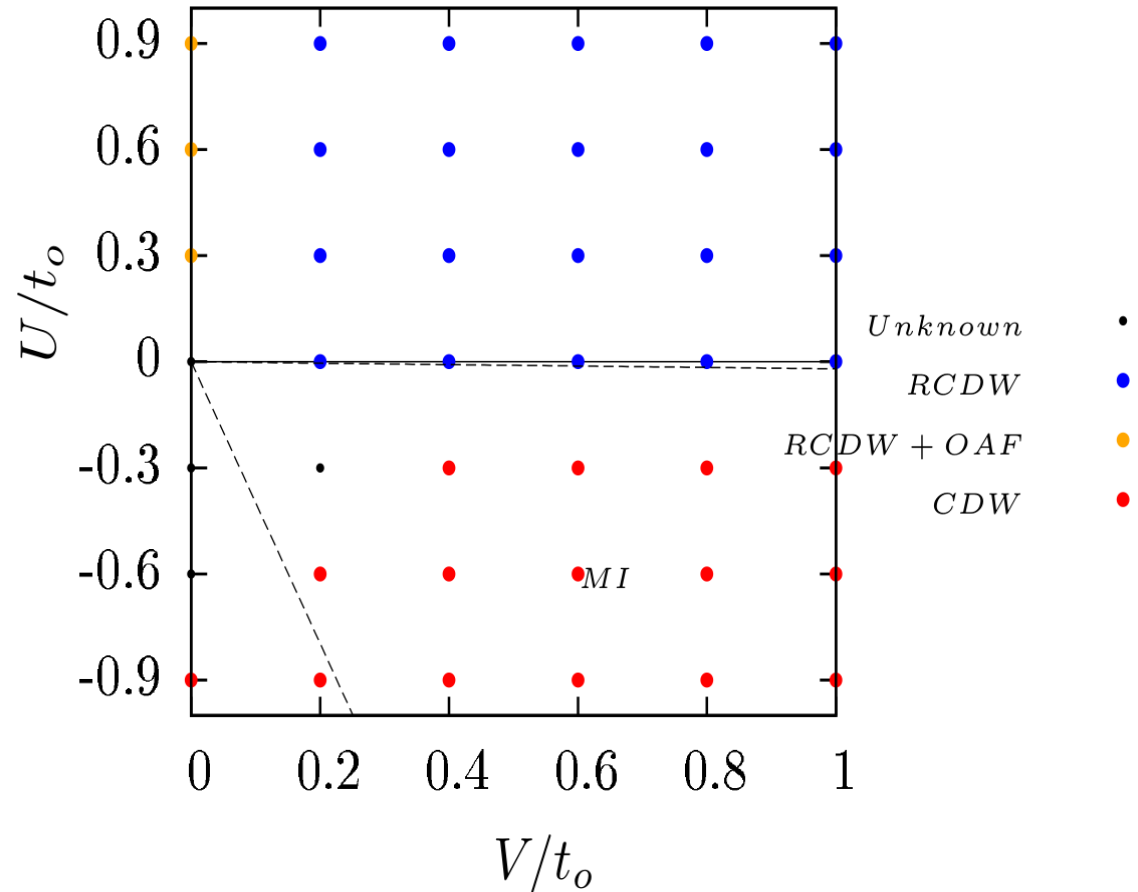
Phase boundaries: $V = 0$
 $U/2V = -2 + \tau^2$ and $U/2V = -\tau^2$

← Using Bosonization

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T. Giamarchi, *Quantum Physics in One Dimension*, Oxford University Press, (2004)

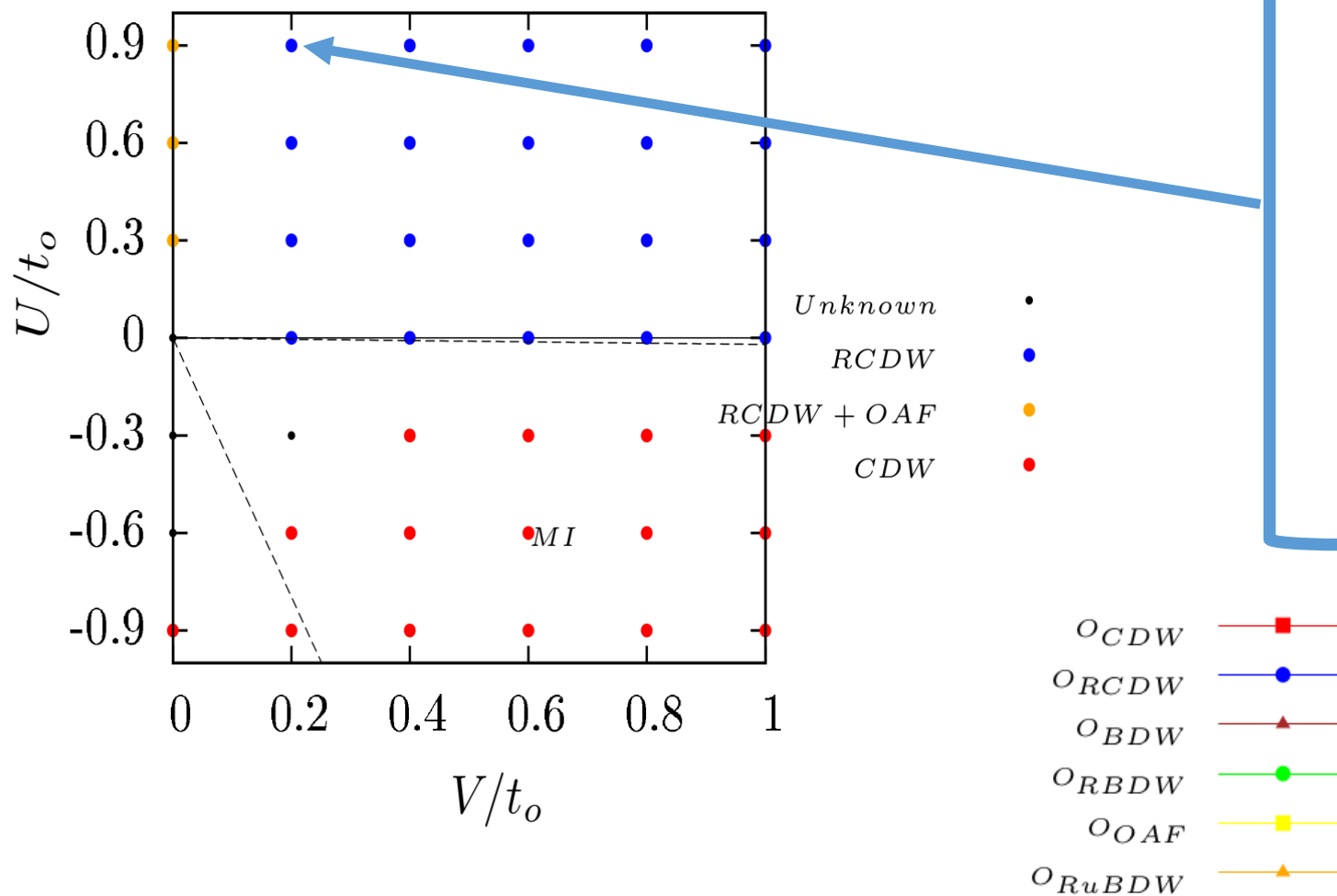
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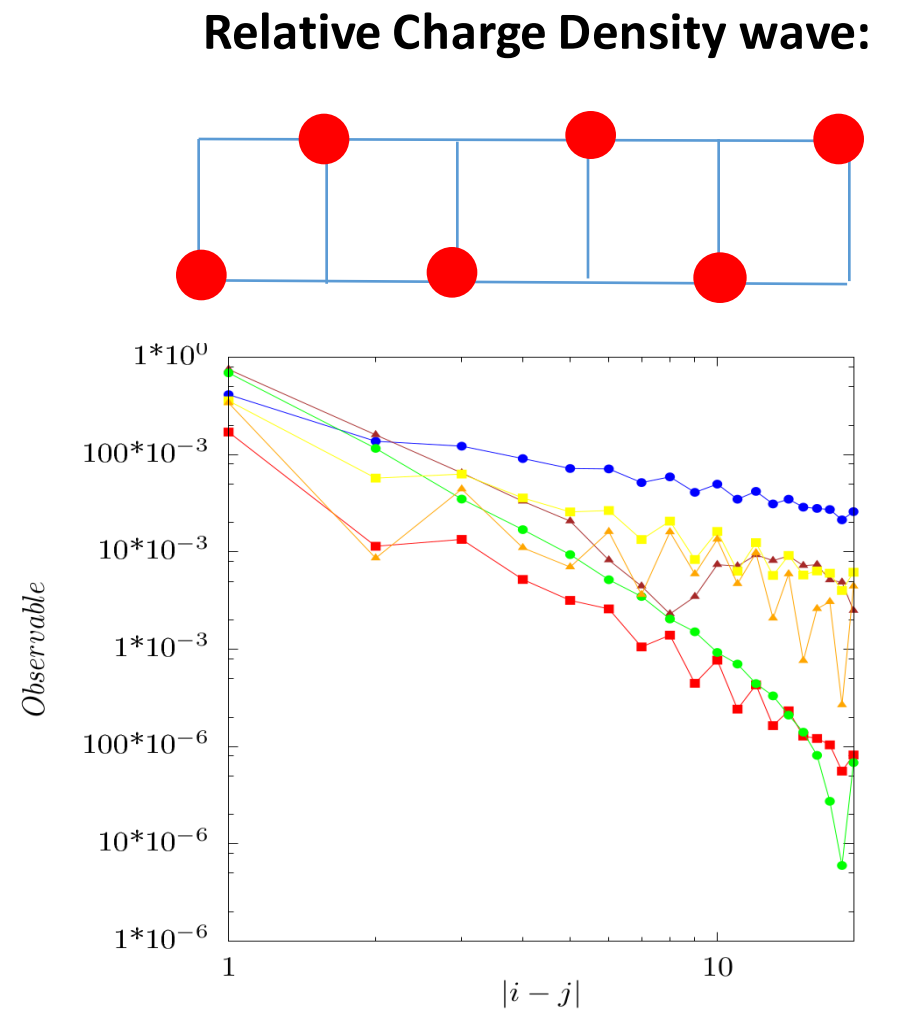
Where, $\tau=0.1$

System size=24x2

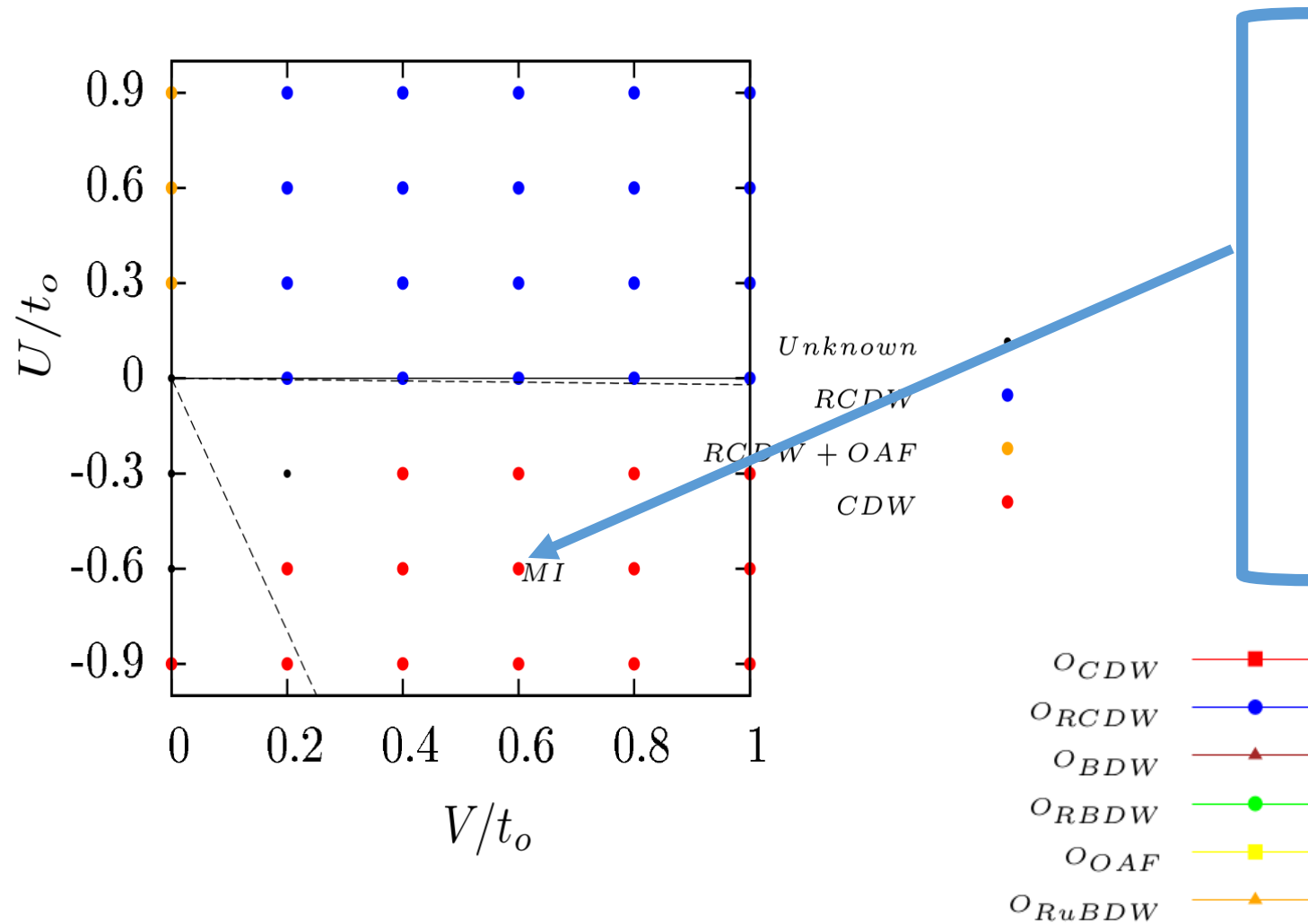
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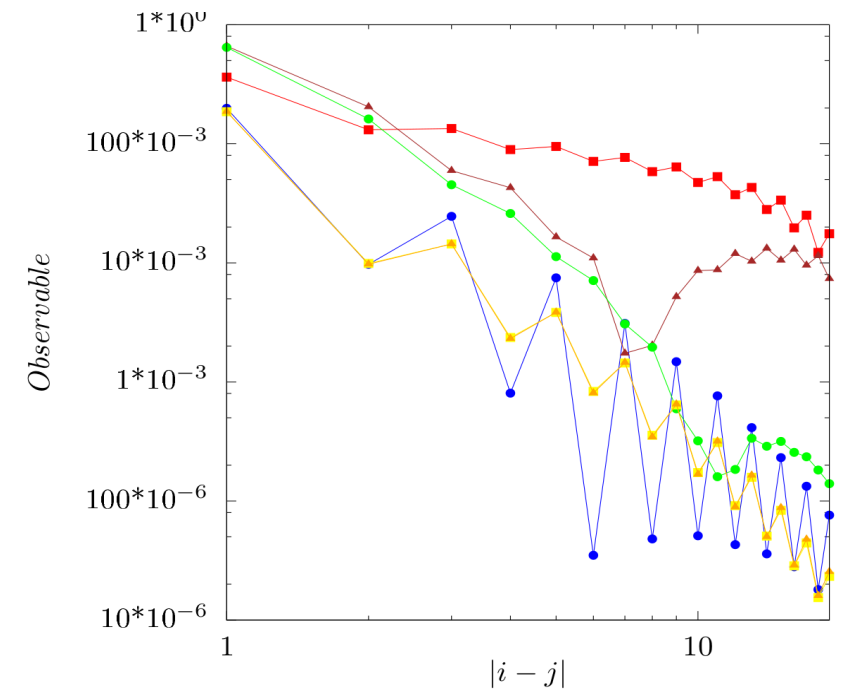
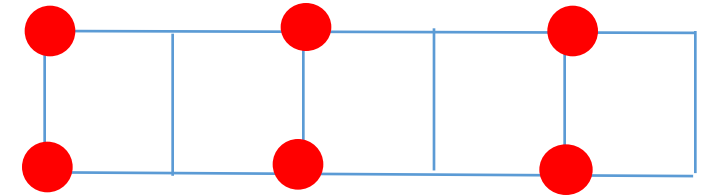


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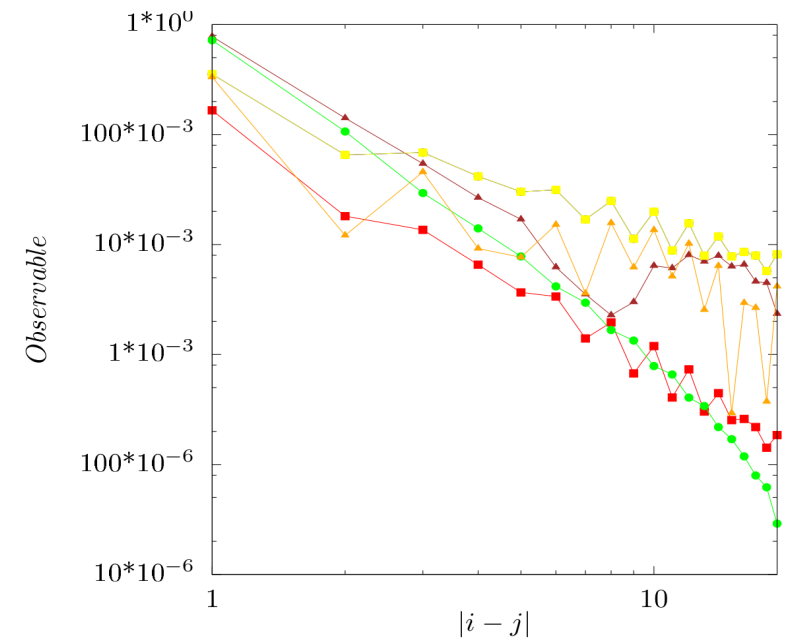
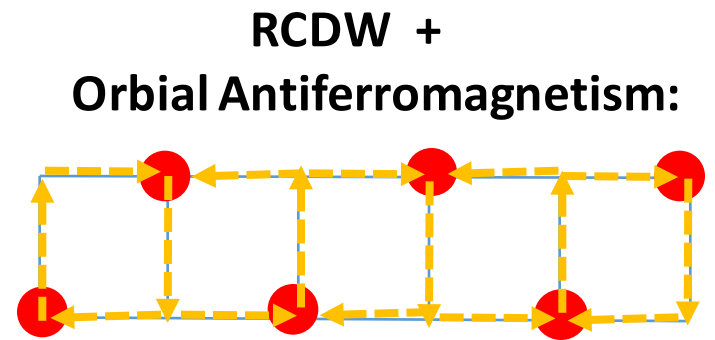
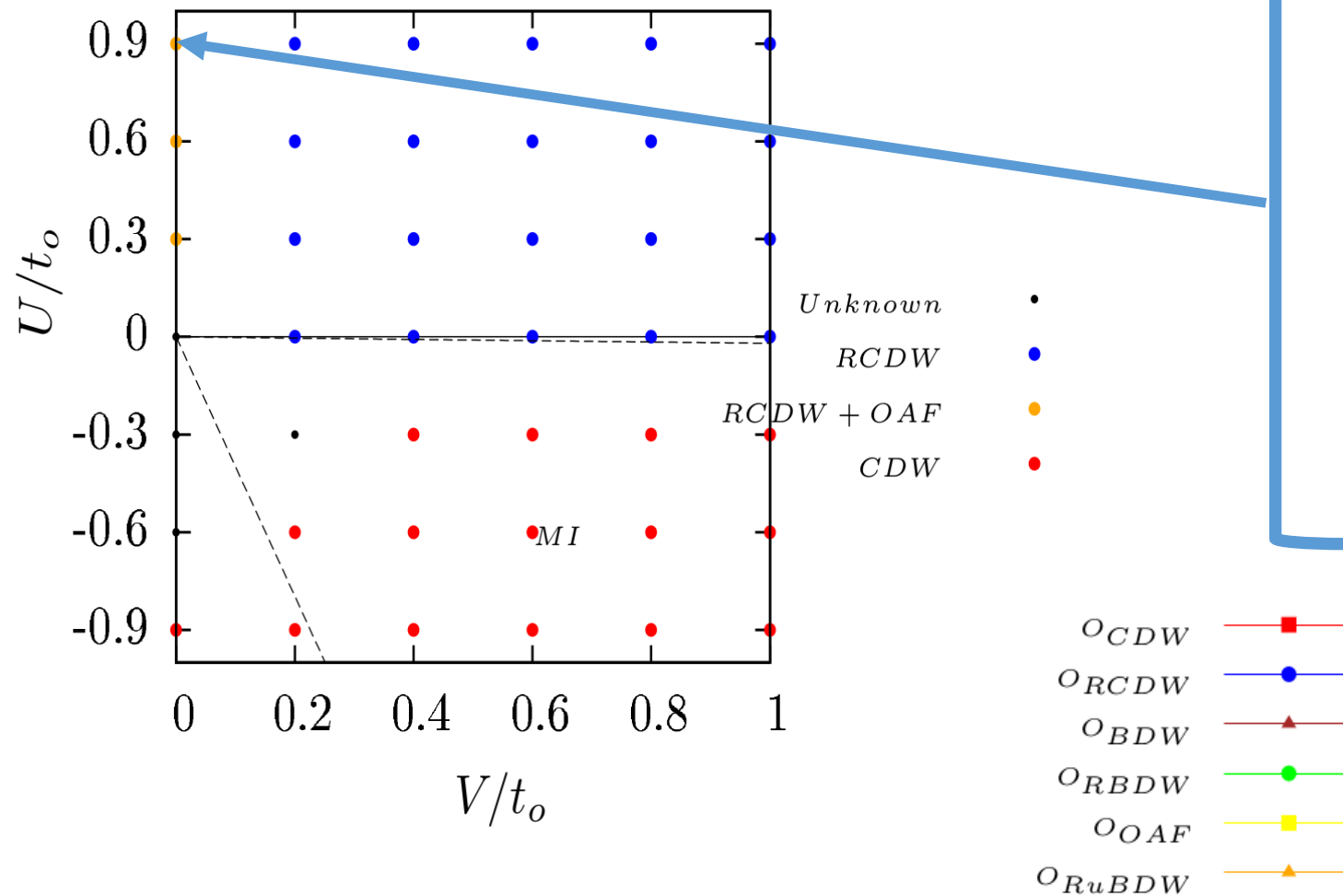
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Charge Density wave:



Correlation results $U = -0.6, V = 0.6$

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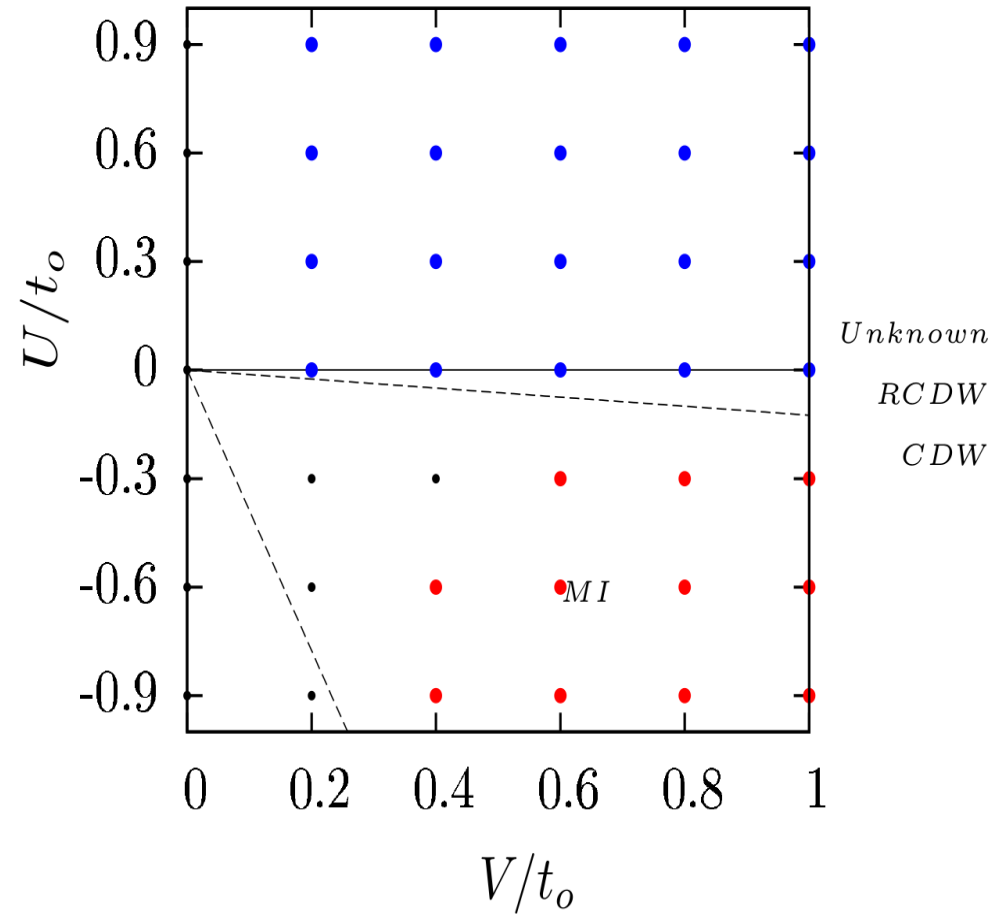


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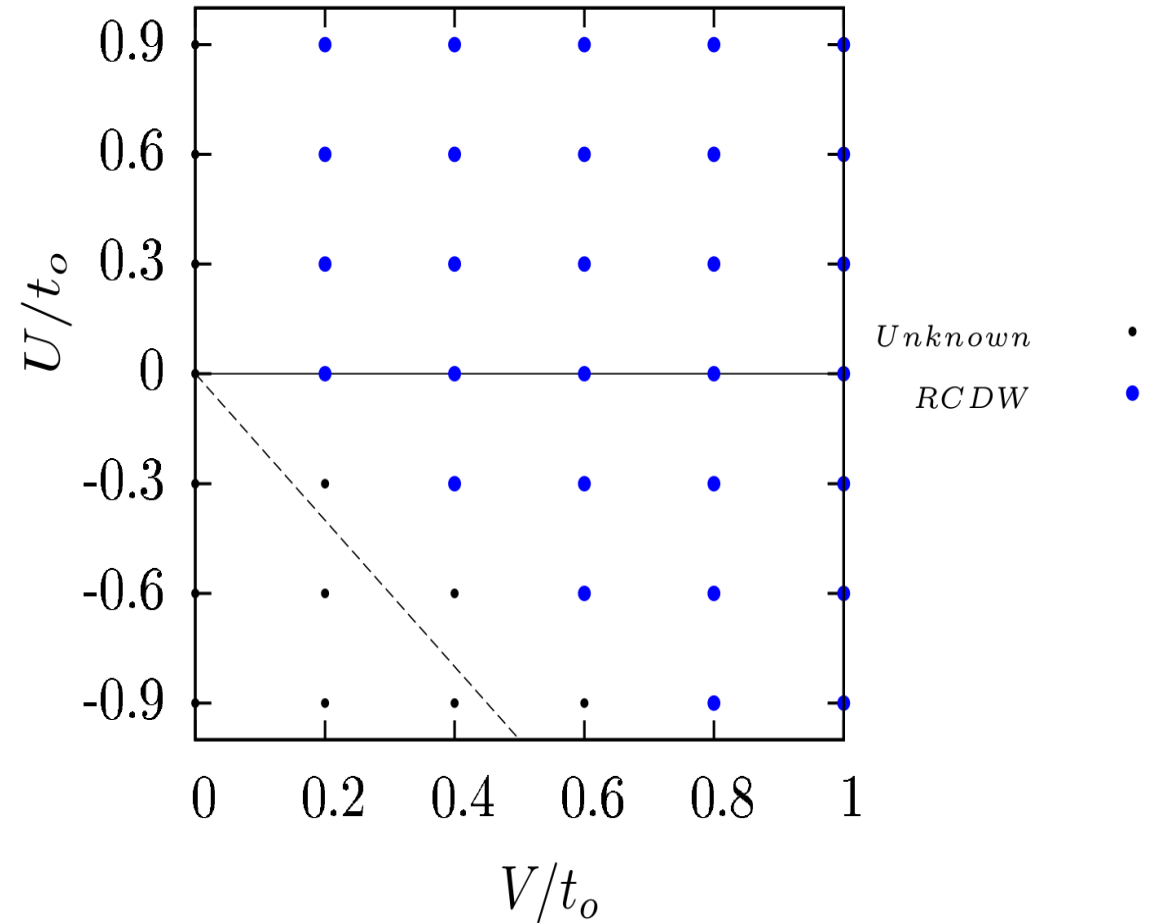
Correlation results for $U = 0.9, V = 0$

Phase diagrams for some other τ 's at $\phi=0$

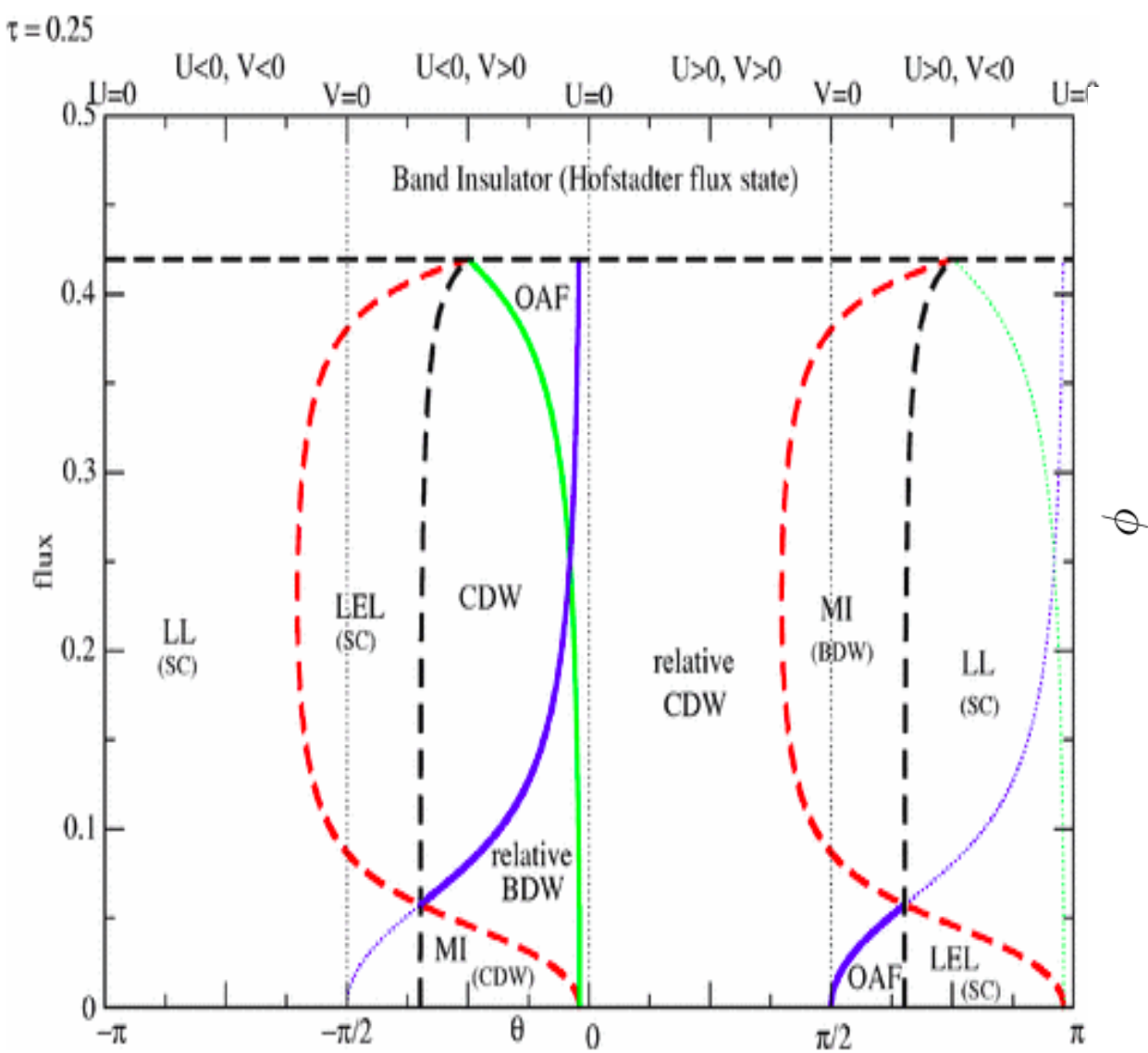
For $\tau=0.25$



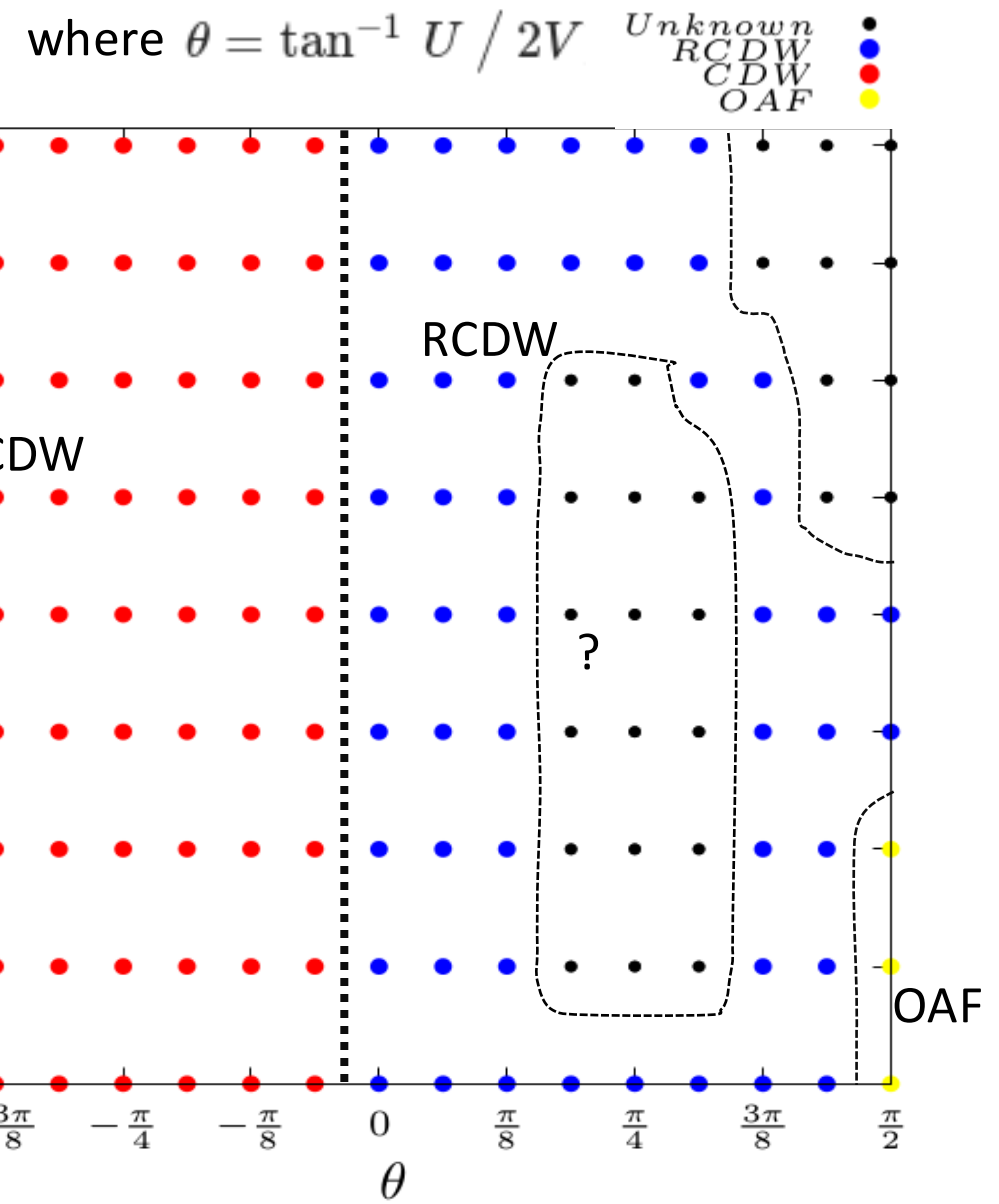
For $\tau=1.0$



At $\phi \neq 0$ [Weak coupling limit]



Analytical result from Literature



Our results so far (DMRG results)

Summary

- We are able to capture similar phases using DMRG in weak coupling limit as in analytical calculations.
- We are interested in performing a similar study in intermediate and strong coupling regime.
- Our results will provide as a reference to understand these systems in Cold atoms, where they can control the parameters of the Hamiltonian using newly emerged techniques.

Collaborators



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Thank you for your patience.

Extra slide: Local Operators

Ordered Phase

Orb. Anti-Ferro. (OAF)

Charge Den. Wave (CDW)

Relative CDW (RCDW)

Bond Den. Wave (BDW)

Relative BDW (RBDW)

Rung BDW (RuBDW)

Equation

$$J_{\perp} = -it_{\perp} \left(c_1^{\dagger} c_2 - c_2^{\dagger} c_1 \right)$$

$$\rho_{+} = c_1^{\dagger} c_1 + c_2^{\dagger} c_2$$

$$\rho_{-} = c_1^{\dagger} c_1 - c_2^{\dagger} c_2$$

$$\rho_{\parallel,+} = e^{i\pi\phi} c_1^{\dagger}(x_n) c_1(x_{n+1}) + e^{-i\pi\phi} c_2^{\dagger}(x_n) c_2(x_{n+1}) + H.c.$$

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Extra slide: Correlations

$$O_{OAF} = \langle J_{\perp}^{\dagger}(i) J_{\perp}(j) \rangle - \langle J_{\perp}^{\dagger}(i) \rangle \langle J_{\perp}(j) \rangle$$

$$O_{CDW} = \langle \rho_{+}(i) \rho_{+}(j) \rangle - \langle \rho_{+}(i) \rangle \langle \rho_{+}(j) \rangle$$

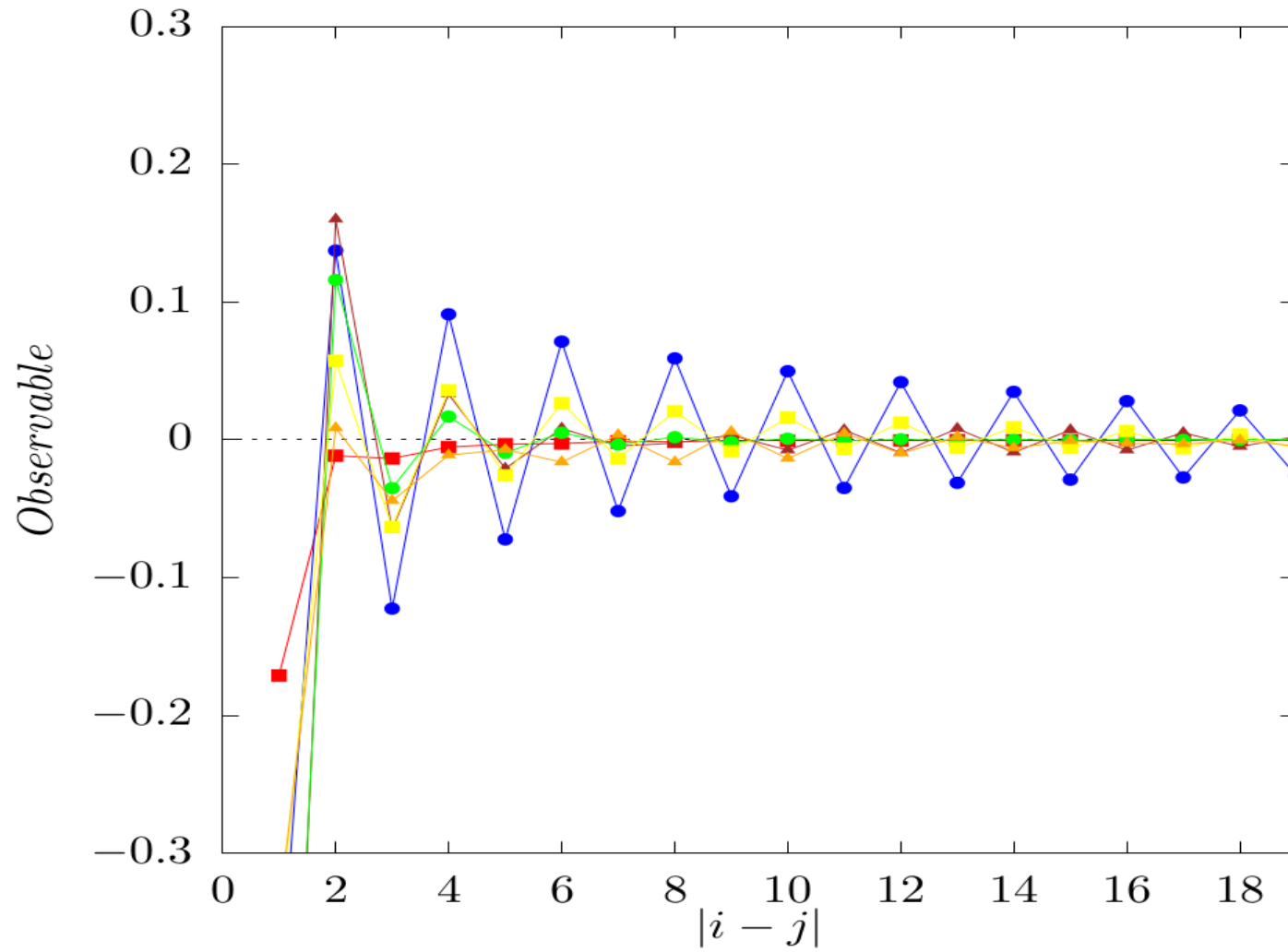
$$O_{RCDW} = \langle \rho_{-}(i) \rho_{-}(j) \rangle - \langle \rho_{-}(i) \rangle \langle \rho_{-}(j) \rangle$$

$$O_{BDW} = \langle \rho_{\parallel,+}(i) \rho_{\parallel,+}(j) \rangle - \langle \rho_{\parallel,+}(i) \rangle \langle \rho_{\parallel,+}(j) \rangle$$

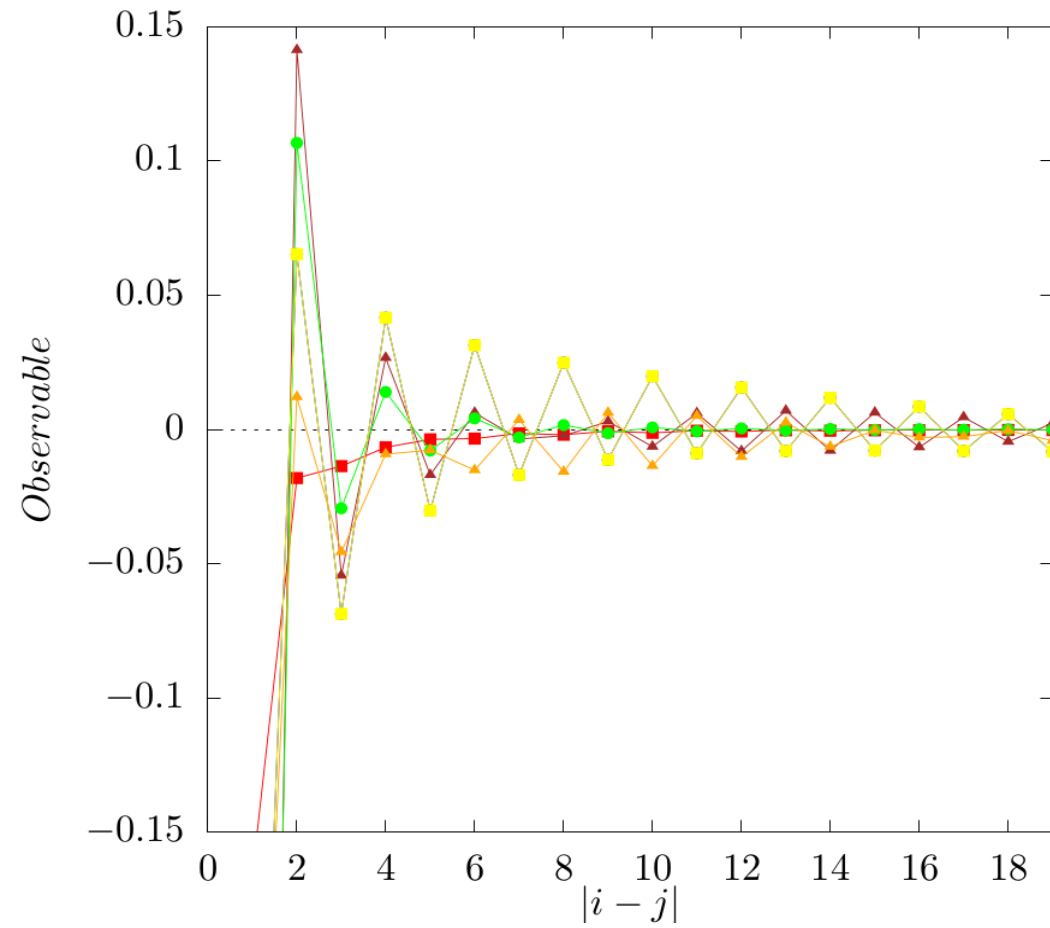
$$O_{RBDW} = \langle \rho_{\parallel,-}(i) \rho_{\parallel,-}(j) \rangle - \langle \rho_{\parallel,-}(i) \rangle \langle \rho_{\parallel,-}(j) \rangle$$

$$O_{RuBDW} = \langle \rho_{\perp}(i) \rho_{\perp}(j) \rangle - \langle \rho_{\perp}(i) \rangle \langle \rho_{\perp}(j) \rangle$$

Staggering in RCDW



Staggering in RCDW+OAF



Staggering in CDW

