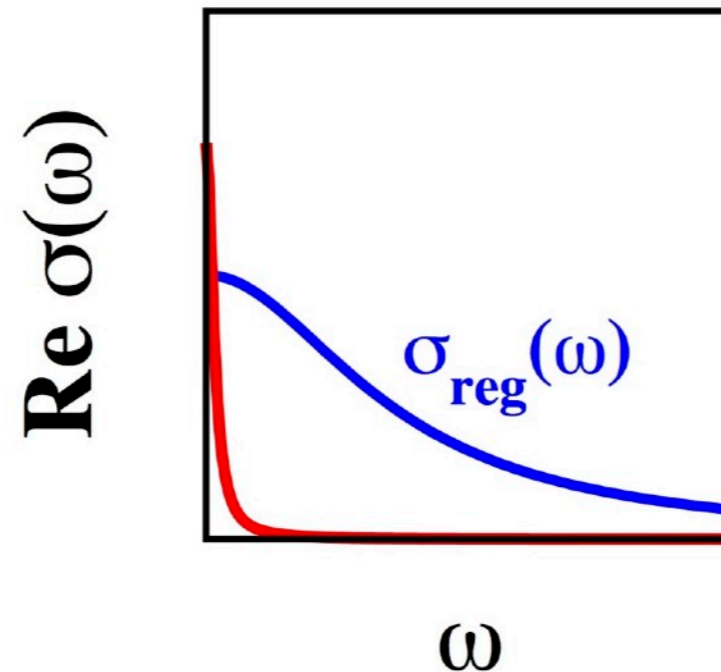


# Finite-temperature transport in 1d quantum lattice systems: From quantum magnets to ultra-cold atomic gases



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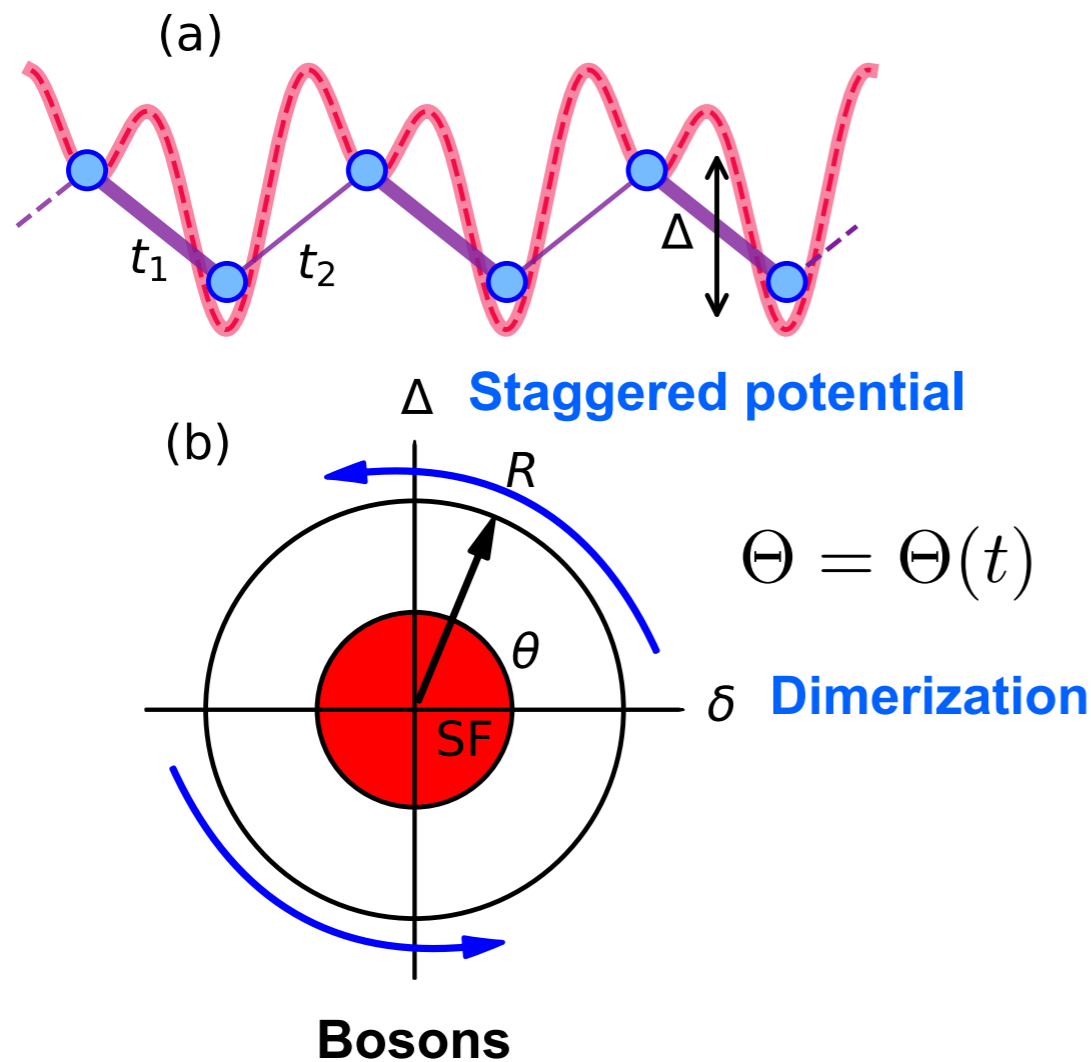
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# Teaser: Topological charge pumps

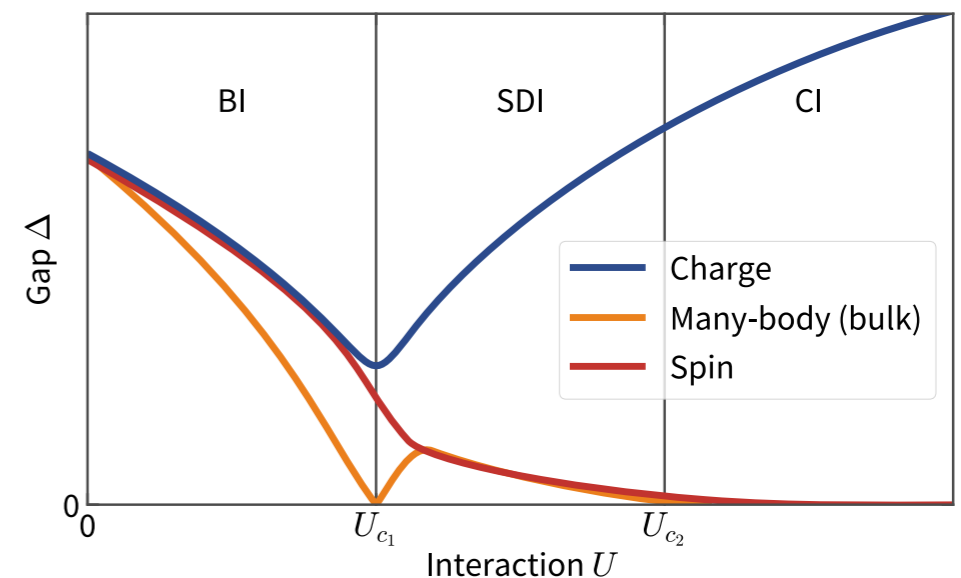
$$H = \sum_i \left[ (-J_1 a_{2i}^\dagger a_{2i+1} - J_2 a_{2i+1}^\dagger a_{2i+2} + h.c.) + (-1)^i \left( \frac{\Delta}{2} \right) n_i + \frac{U}{2} (n_i - 1) n_i \right]$$

$$J_1 = (1 + \delta)J \quad J_2 = J(1 - \delta)J$$



Hayward, Schweizer, Lohse, Aidelsburger, FHM  
 Phys. Rev. B 98, 245148 (2018)

## Fermions



## U-driven topological transition

Stenzel, Hayward, Hubig, Schollwöck, FHM  
 Phys. Rev. A 99, 053614 (2019)

## Experiments : Munich, Kyoto

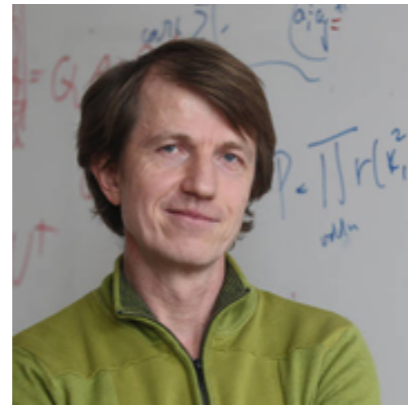
Lohse et al. Nature Phys. 12, 350 (2016)  
 Nakajima et al. Nature Phys 12 296 (2016)

Spin pump: : Schweizer et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 170405 (2016)

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# Outline

$$H = J \sum_i \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_{i+1}$$

## Strongly correlated systems

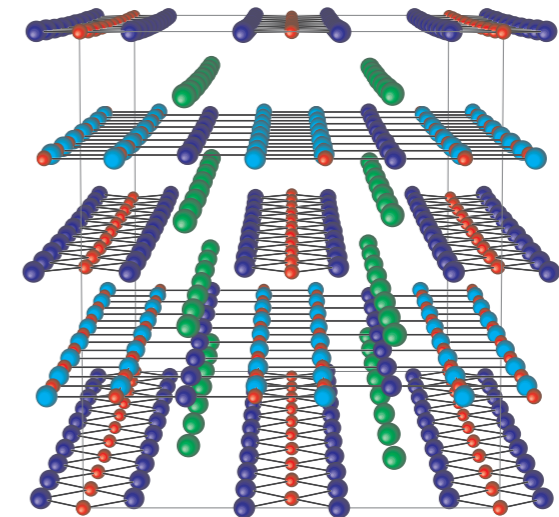
Anomalous conductivities in 1D integrable models  
Reason: Non-trivial conservation laws in 1D

$$[H, Q] = 0 \rightarrow \sigma_{dc} = \infty$$

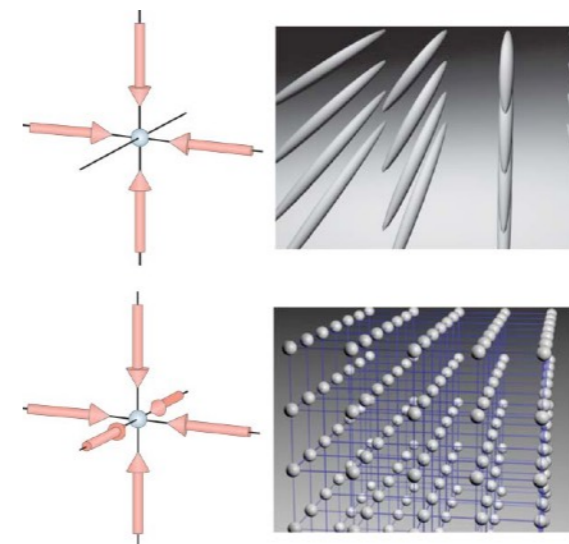
Ballistic, ..., diffusive dynamics

- 1) Intro & Experimental context
- 2) Overview: Spin-1/2 XXZ chain  
(a numerical DMRG/ED perspective)
- 3) Proposal for optical lattice experiments:  
Hubbard chains
- 4) Towards phonons: DMRG methods

## Quantum magnets



## Optical lattices



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**Mission statement:**

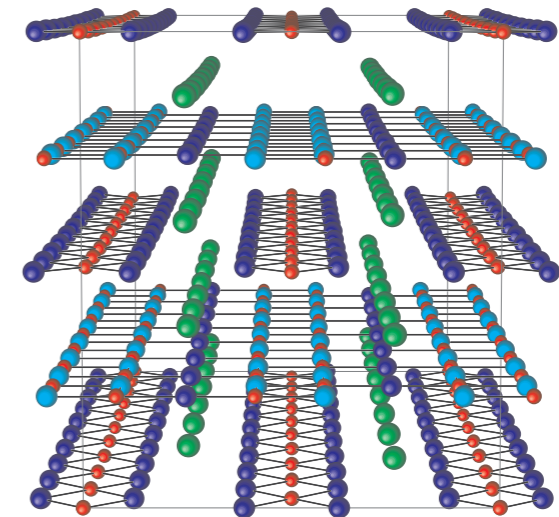
**Microscopic models**

**T>0**

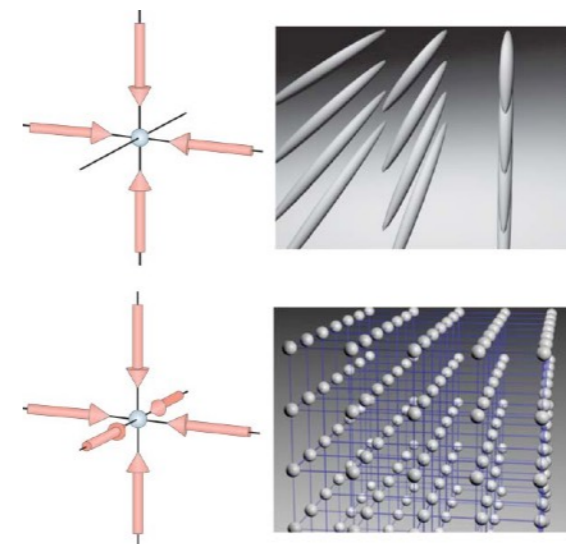
**Spin & heat conductivity from Kubo**

**Exact results**

**Quantum magnets**



**Optical lattices**





# Theoretical motivation (or obsession): Finite-temperature Drude weights

Linear response regime (Kubo):  $C(t) = \langle j(t)j \rangle$

Drude weight & regular part

$$\text{Re } \sigma(\omega) = D(T)\delta(\omega) + \sigma_{\text{reg}}(\omega)$$

Exactly conserved current

$$[H, j] = 0 \rightarrow \text{Re } \sigma(\omega) = D(T)\delta(\omega)$$

Finite Drude weight:  
Divergent dc conductivity  
at finite temperatures

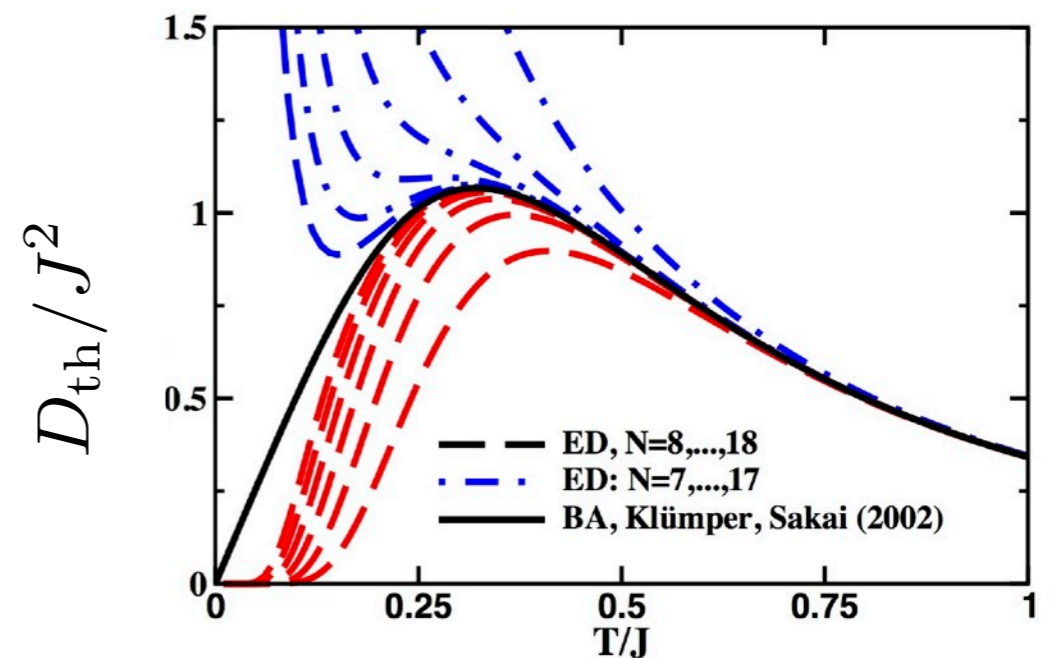
Same reasoning for  
charge, particle, spin, thermal transport

Thermal conductivity  
in S=1/2 Heisenberg chain

$$H = J \sum_i \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_{i+1}$$

$$j_{\text{th},l} \sim \vec{S}_l \cdot (\vec{S}_{l+1} \times \vec{S}_{l+2}) \quad [H, j_{\text{th}}] = 0$$

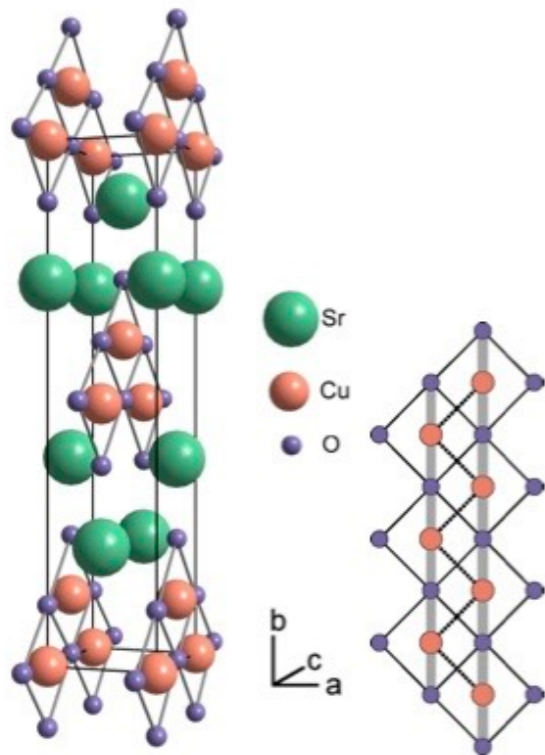
$$\text{Re } \kappa(\omega) = D_{\text{th}}(T)\delta(\omega)$$



Klümper, Sakai *J. Phys. A* 35, 2173 (2002)  
Zotos, Naef, Prelovšek, *Phys. Rev. B* 55, 11029 (1997)  
FHM, Honecker, Cabra, Brenig, *Phys. Rev. B* 66, 140406(R) (2002)

# Thermal transport in (AFM) quantum magnets

1D



SrCuO<sub>2</sub>

Ladders

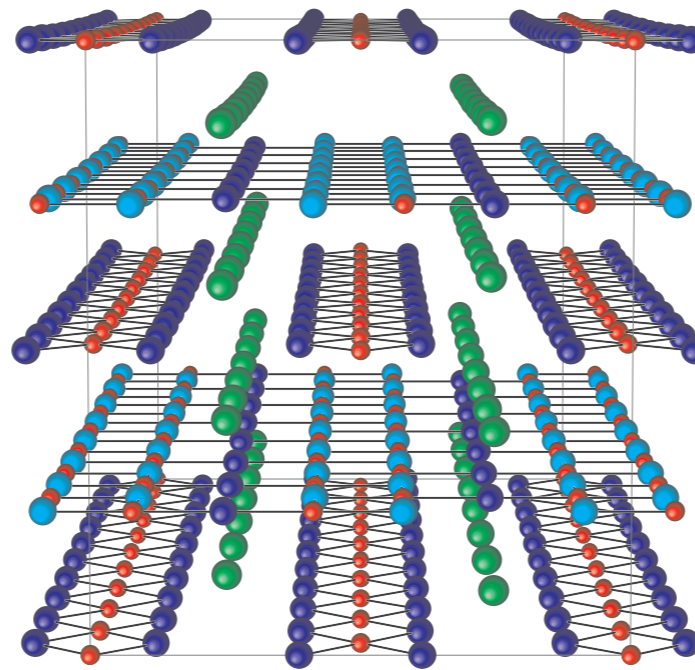
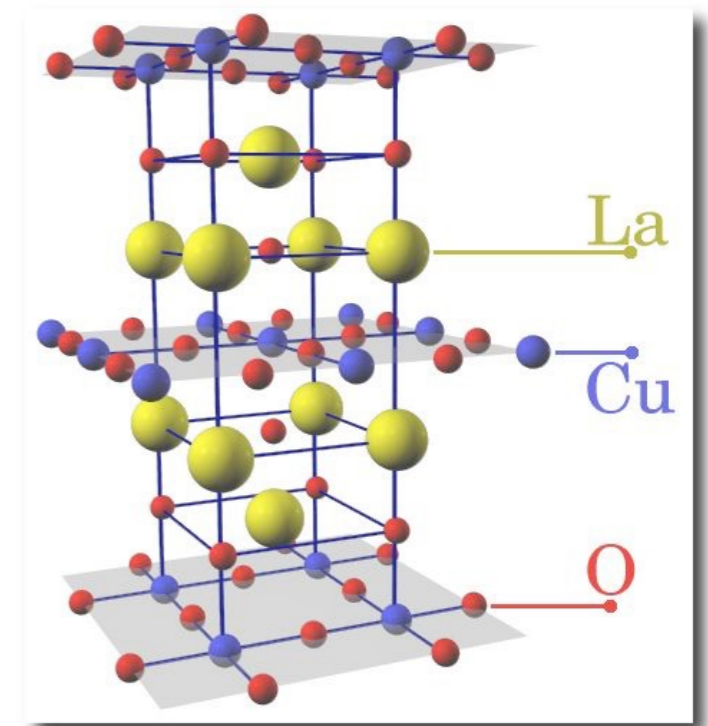


Diagram illustrating the crystal structure of (Sr,Ca,La)<sub>14</sub>Cu<sub>24</sub>O<sub>41</sub>, showing a ladder-like arrangement of CuO<sub>2</sub> chains. The structure consists of multiple layers of CuO<sub>2</sub> chains, with Sr, Ca, and La ions interspersed between the chains.

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2D

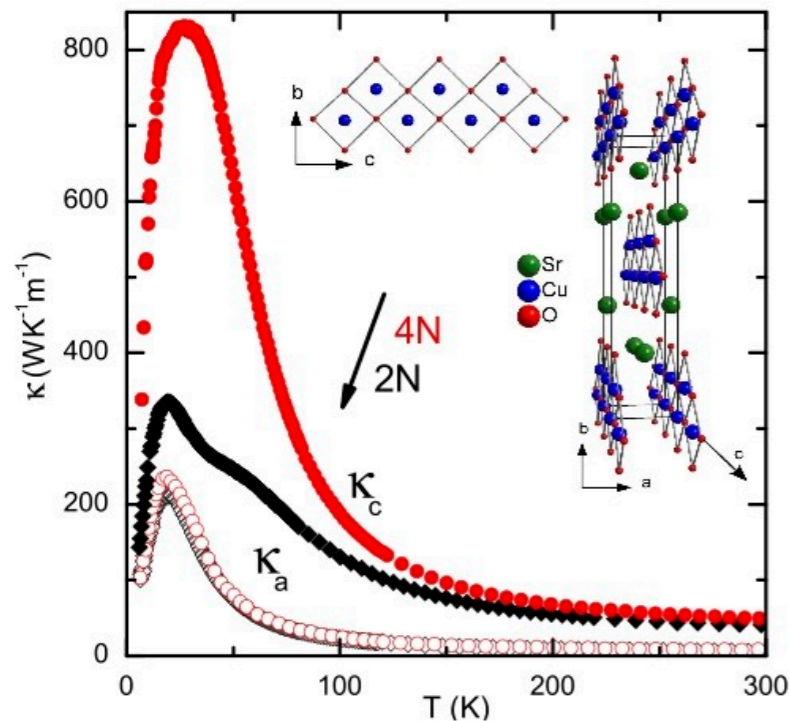


La<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>

See Christian Hess' talk

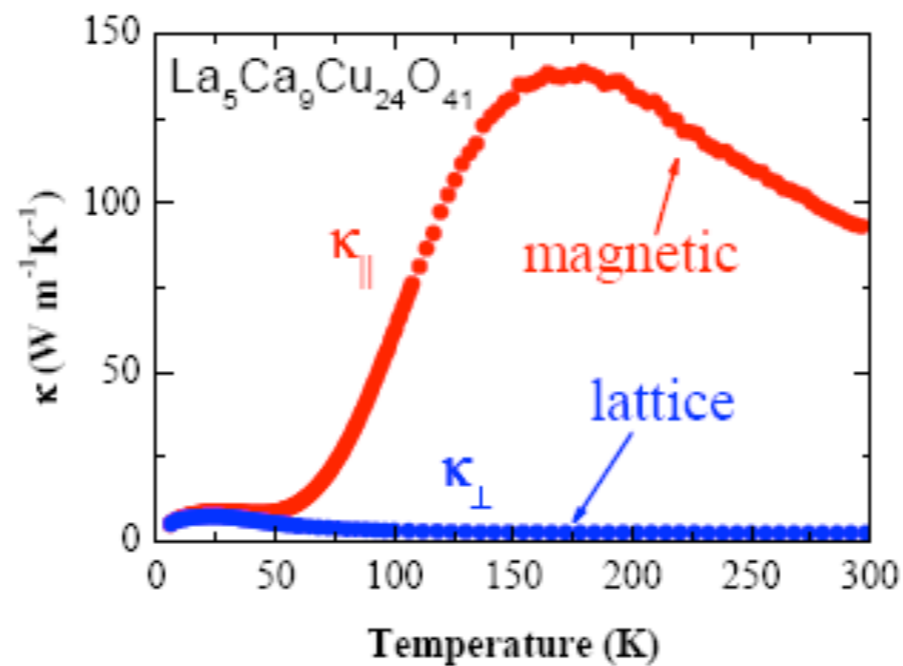
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## 1D - Spinons



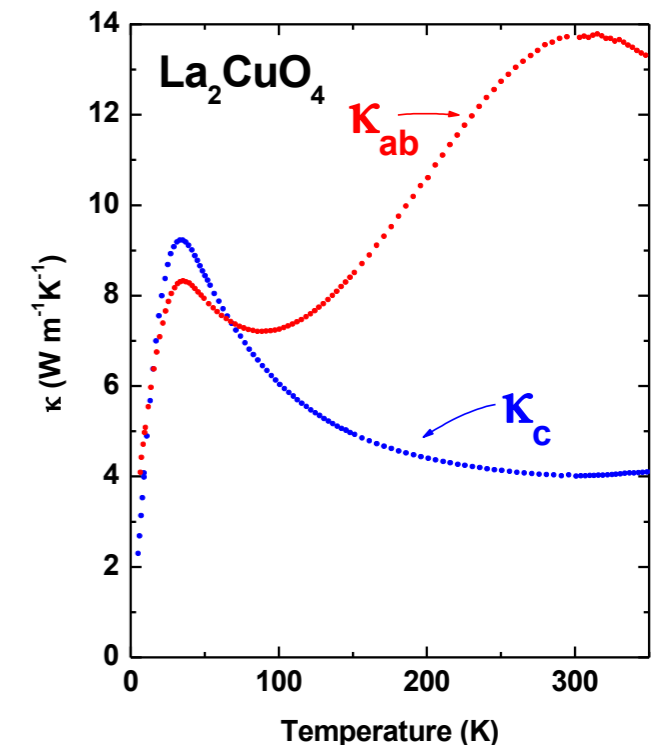
Hlubek, Büchner, Hess, et al., PRB 2010  
Sologubenko et al. PRB 2001

## Ladders - Triplet excitations



Hess, FHM, Brenig, Büchner, et al., PRB 2001  
Sologubenko et al. PRL 2000

## 2D - Magnons



Hess, FHM, Brenig, Büchner et al., PRL 2003

**Magnetic excitations contribute significantly to thermal conductivity  $\kappa$**   
**mean-free paths  $\sim 1\mu\text{m}$**

Many other thermal transport experiments: Lorenz, Sun, Sales, Mandrus, ...

**Spin transport only probed indirectly via NMR,  $\mu\text{sr}$  or spin Seebeck effect**

Thurber et al. PRL 2001, Maeter et al. 2013, Xiao et al. 2014

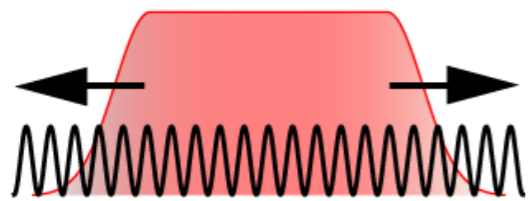
Hirobe et al. Nature Phys. 13, 30 (2017)



# Nonequilibrium transport in optical lattice

<sup>39</sup>K atoms

$$H = -J_{BH} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} a_i^\dagger a_j + \frac{U}{2} \sum_i n_i(n_i - 1) + V(t) \sum_i n_i \vec{r}_i^2$$



Remove trap  $V \rightarrow 0$ ,  
Go to desired  $U/J_{BH}$

Initial state:

$$|\psi_{\text{initial}}\rangle = \prod_i a_i^\dagger |0\rangle$$

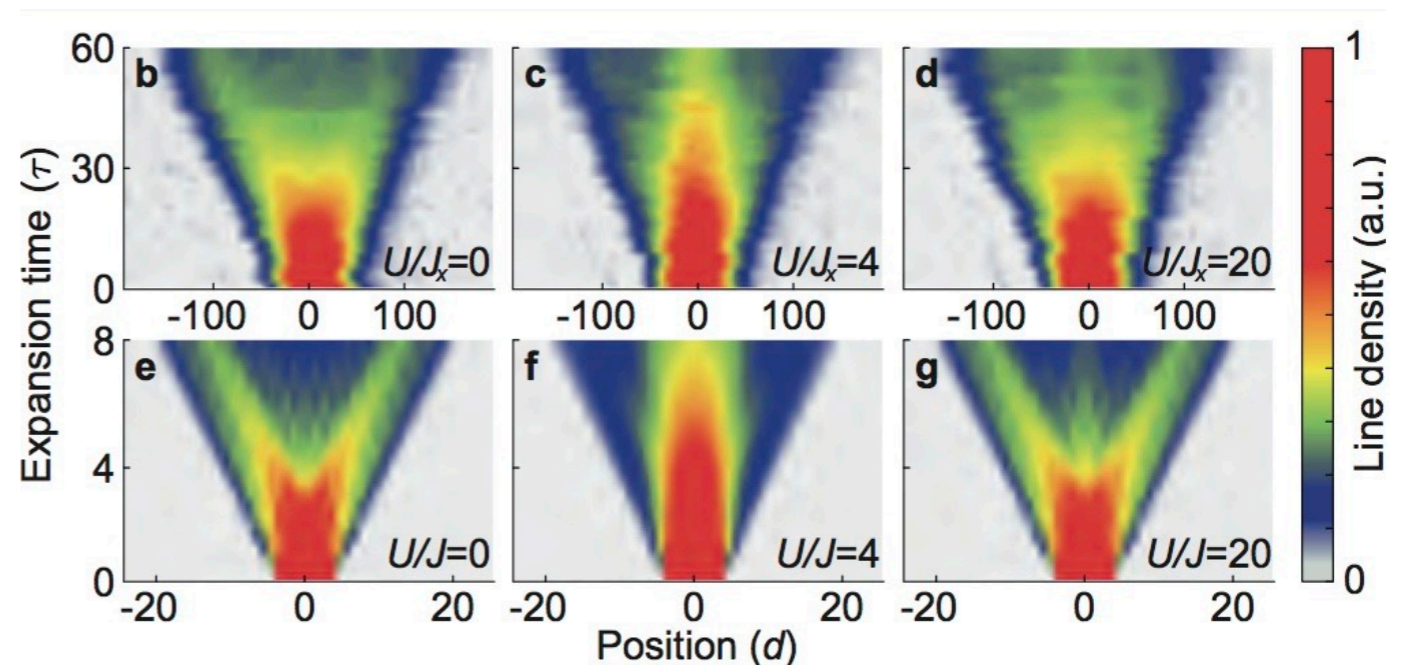
Spin-down - up - down

Exp. data

DMRG

ballistic

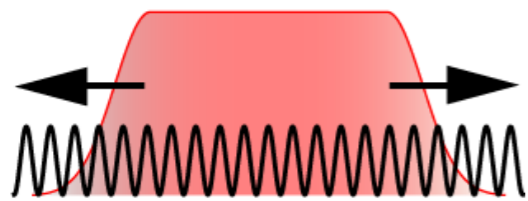
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Identical Density Profiles for non-interacting & *strongly* interacting bosons:  
Ballistic nonequilibrium dynamics in integrable 1D model

# Nonequilibrium transport in optical lattice

$$U/J = \infty, n = 1 : \quad H = -J_{\text{BH}} \sum_i (S_i^+ S_{i+1}^- + h.c.)$$



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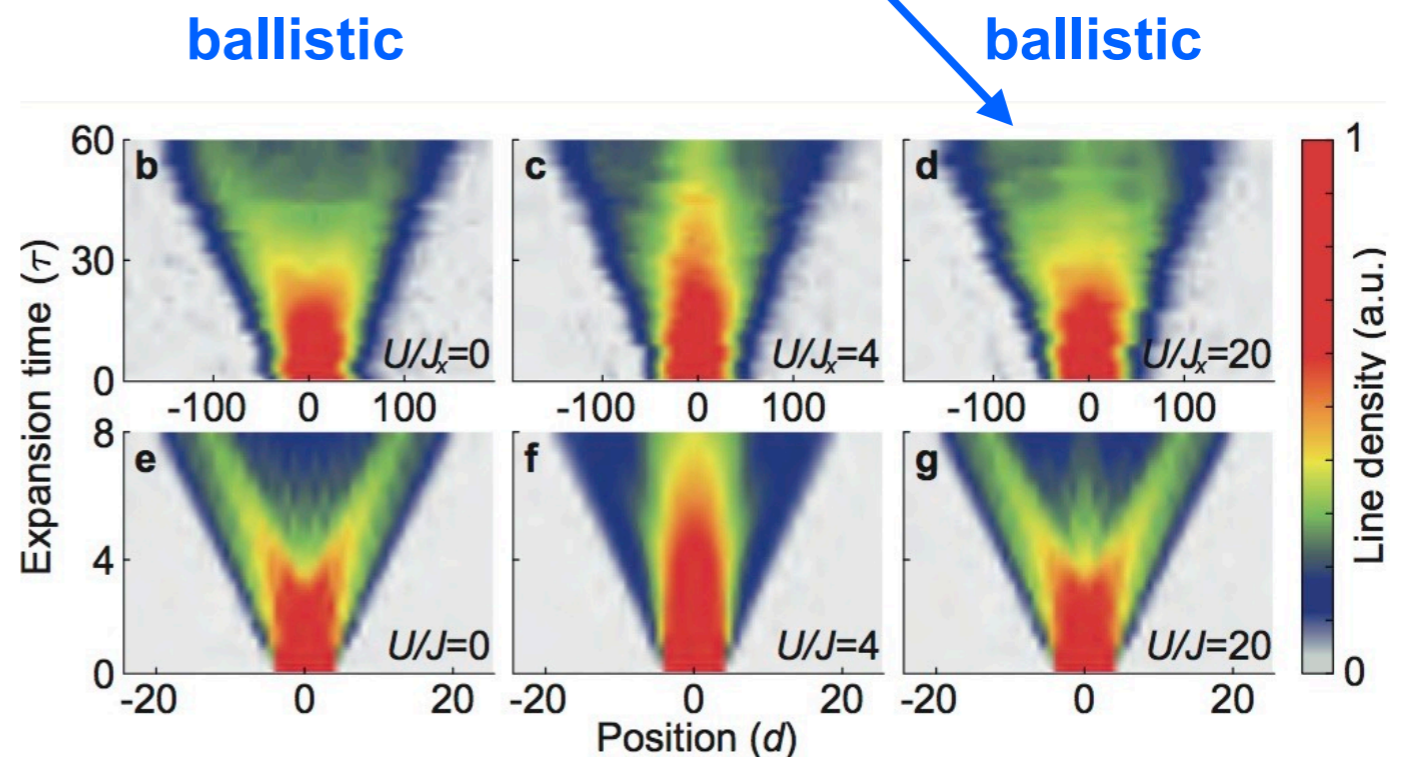
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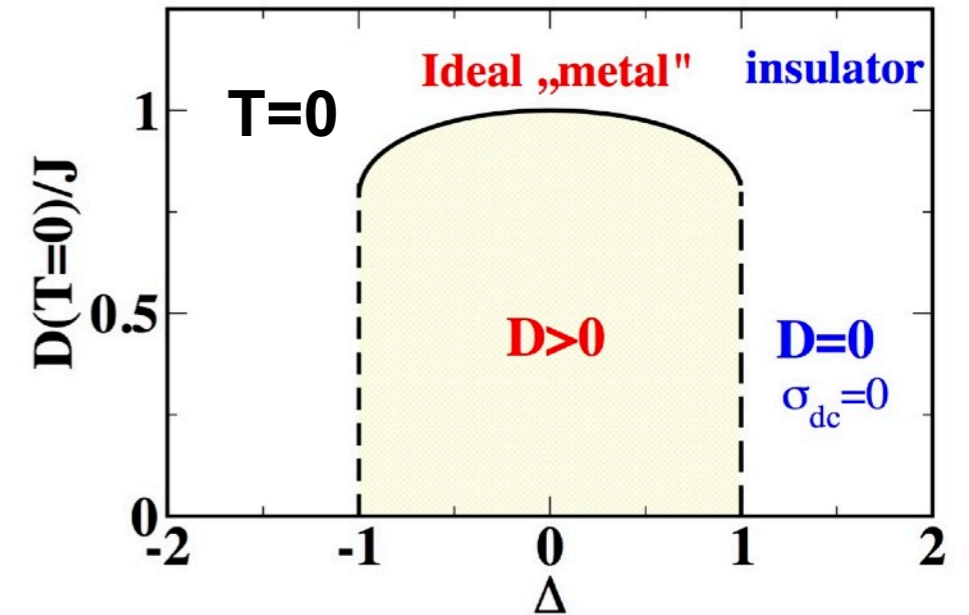
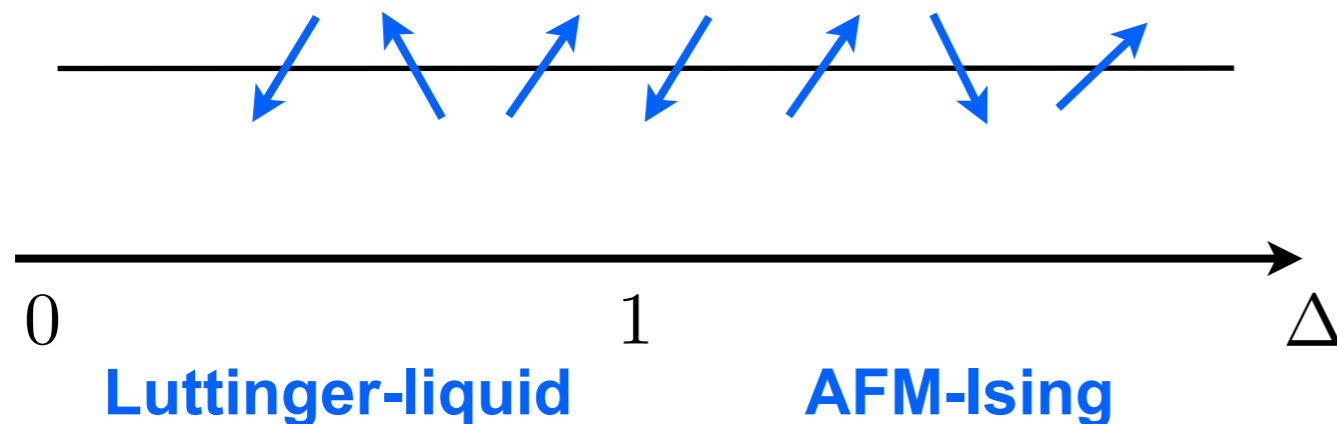


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# Spin transport in the spin-1/2 XXZ model

$$H = J \sum_{i=1}^L \left[ \frac{1}{2} (S_i^+ S_{i+1}^- + h.c.) + \Delta S_i^z S_{i+1}^z \right]$$

$$\Delta \neq 0 : [H, j_s] \neq 0; \quad j_{s,l} \sim S_l^+ S_{l+1}^- - h.c.$$



Shastry, Sutherland *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 65, 243 (1990)

# Spin Drude weight in spin-1/2 XXZ chain

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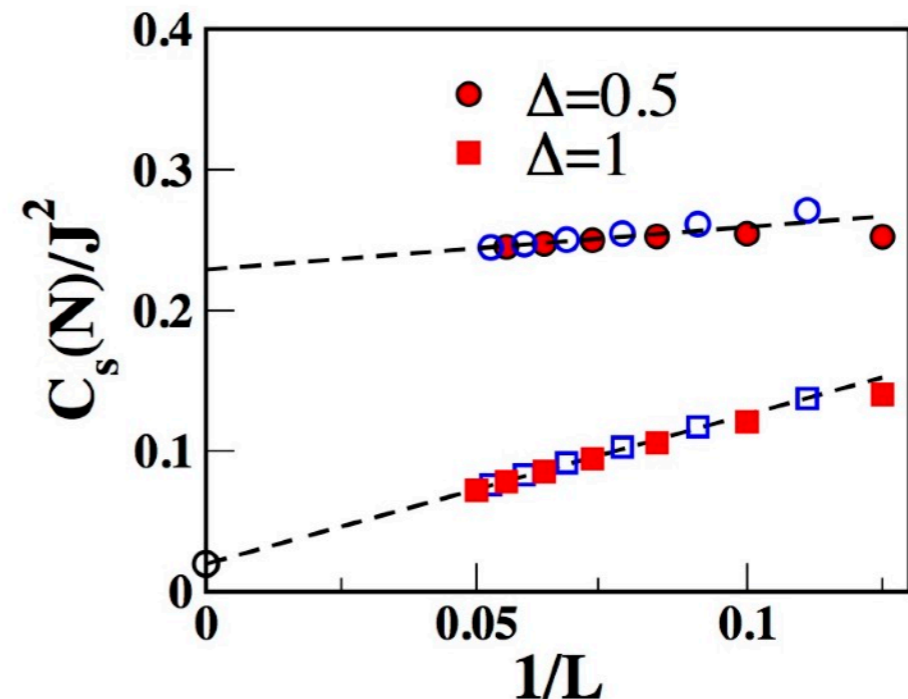
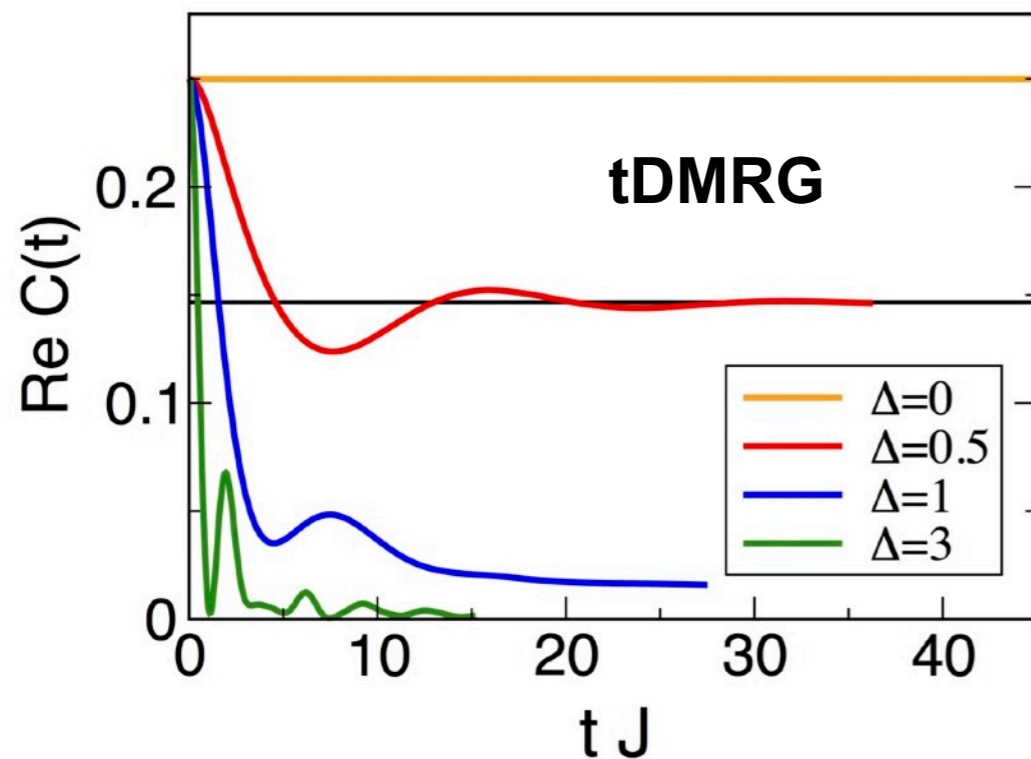
Spin-current autocorrelations

$$T = \infty$$

Exact diagonalization

$$C(t) = \langle j_s(t) j_s \rangle / L$$

$$D(T) \approx C_s / T$$



Karrasch, Bardarson, Moore PRL 2012  
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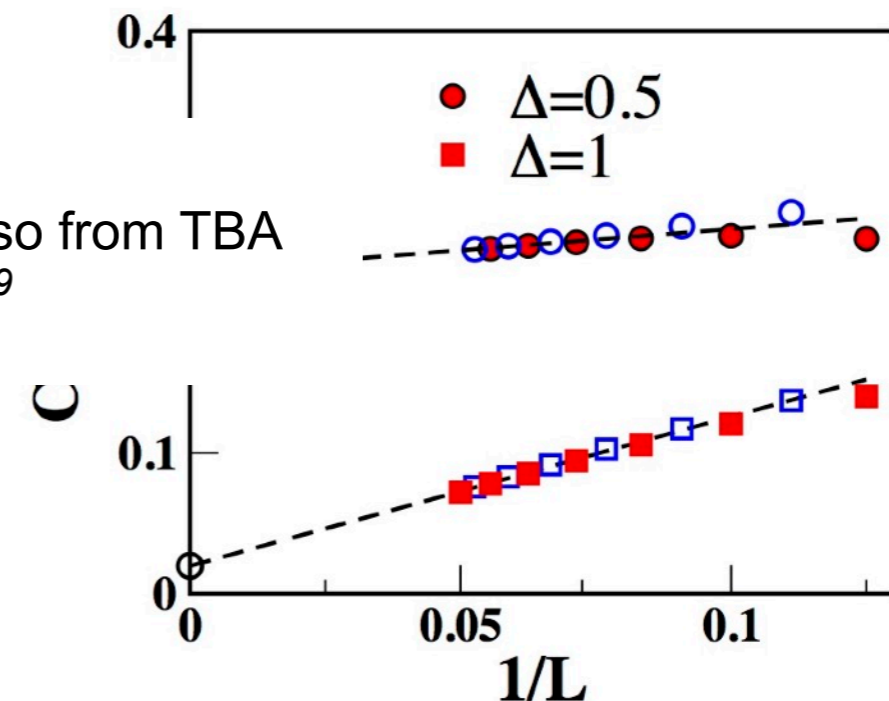
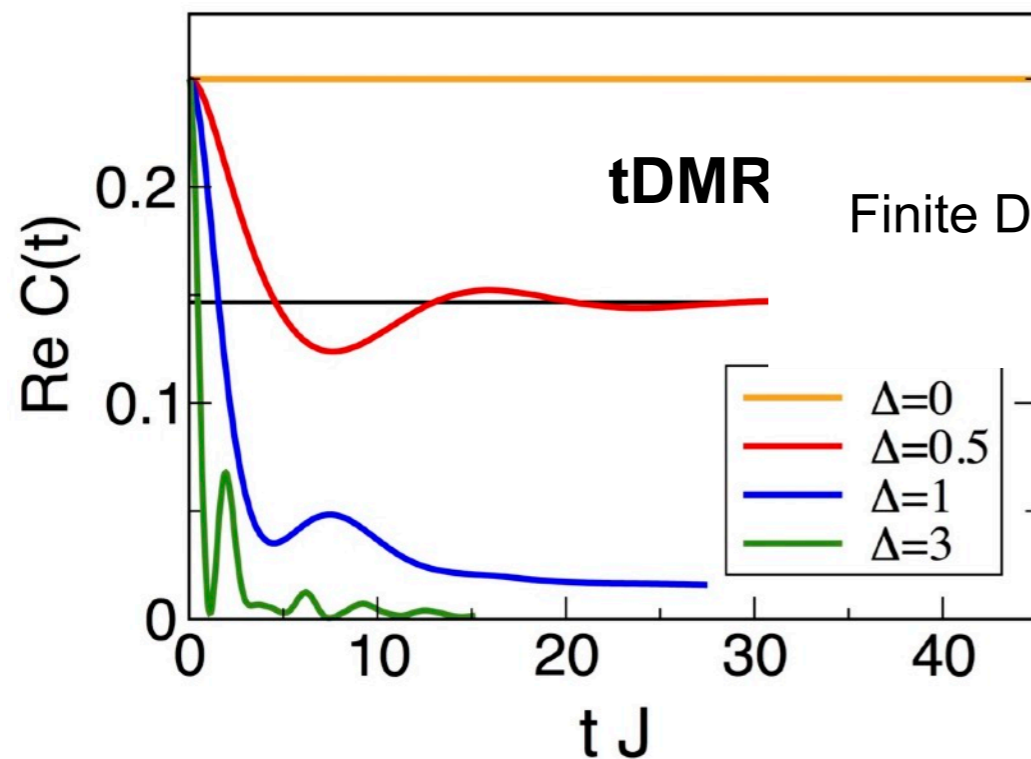
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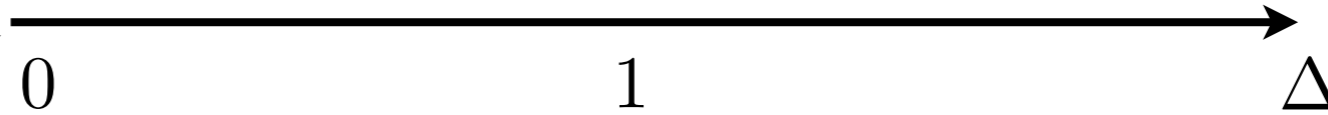
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# Spin-1/2 XXZ chains: Finite T spin transport

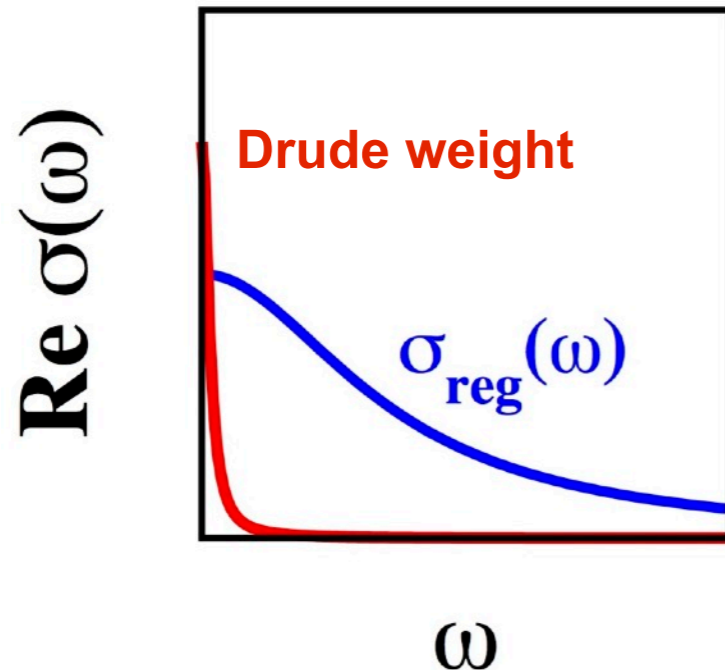
Ballistic ✓



$$\text{Re}\sigma(\omega) = D(T)\delta(\omega)$$

$$D(T) > 0$$

$$\sigma_{\text{reg}} \neq 0; \sigma_{\text{dc}} > 0$$



$$D(T) \geq \text{const} \frac{|\langle j_s Q_\alpha \rangle|^2}{\langle Q_\alpha^2 \rangle} > 0$$

**Mazur inequality**

Zotos, Naef, Prelovsek, *Phys. Rev. B* 55, 11029 (1997)

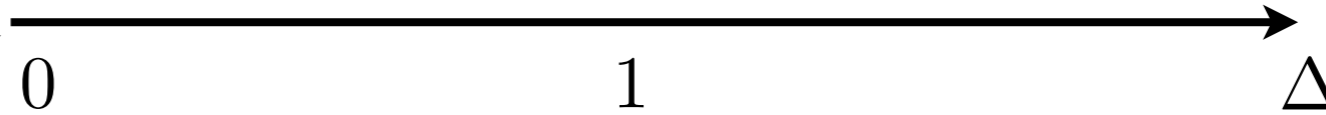
**Quasilocal charges discovered by Prosen**

Prosen PRL 2011, Ilievski & Prosen PRL 2013,  
Pereira, Pasquier, Sirker Affleck *J. Stat. Mech.* (2014) P09037

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Urlichuk, et al. SciPost Phys. 6, 005 (2019)  
... many more ...

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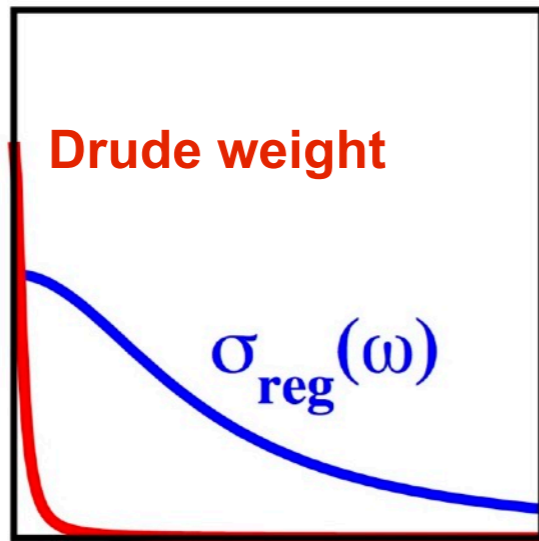


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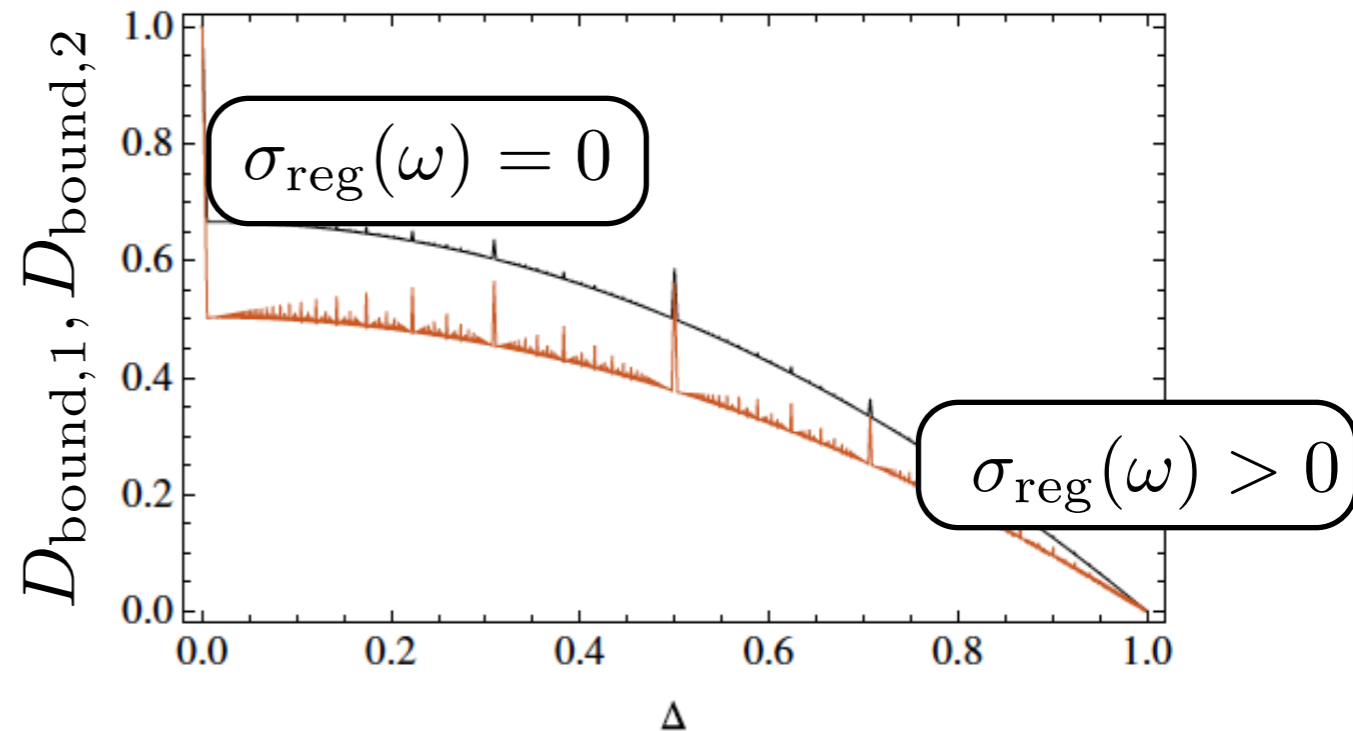
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Re  $\sigma(\omega)$



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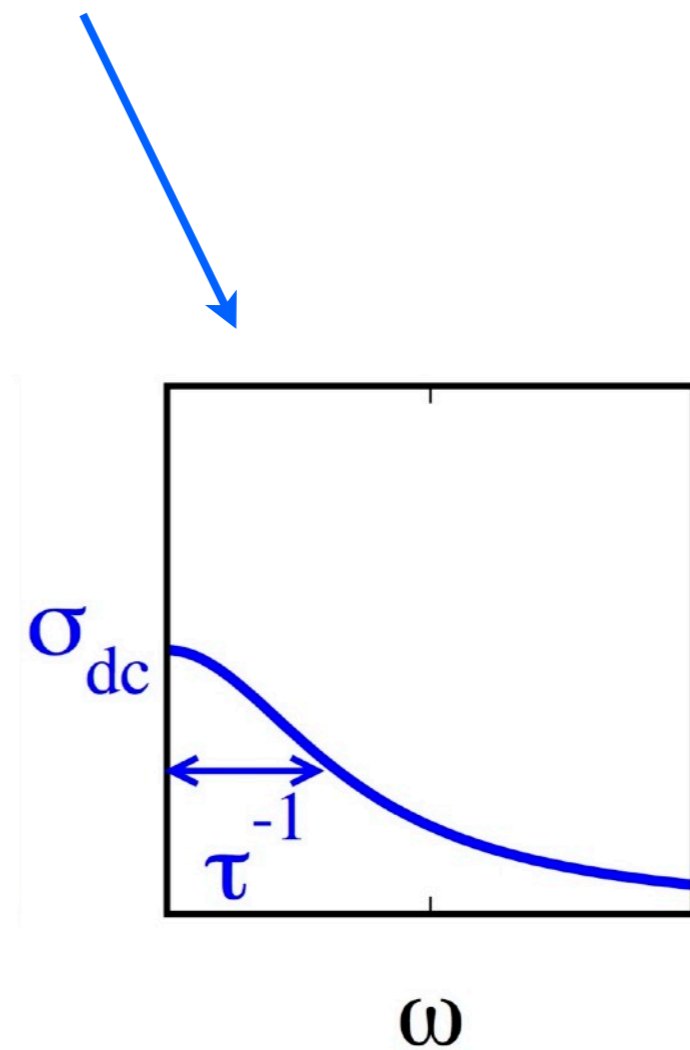
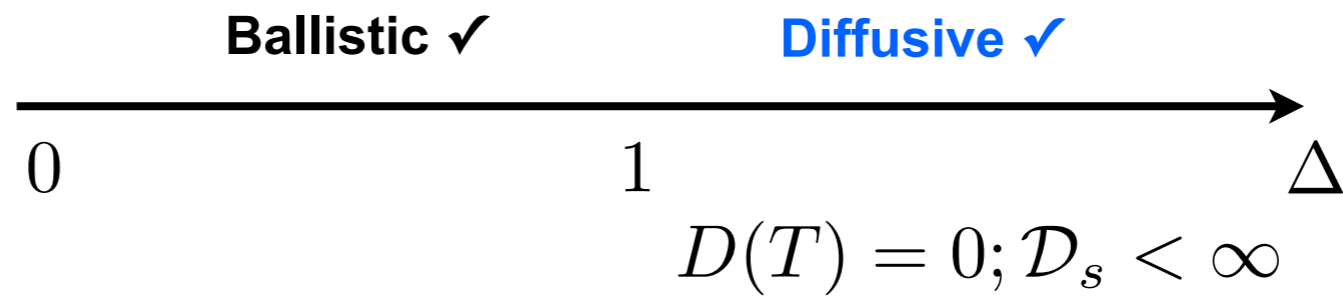
Fractal structure !?

Sum rule: subleading correction  
**superdiffusive**  
 almost everywhere

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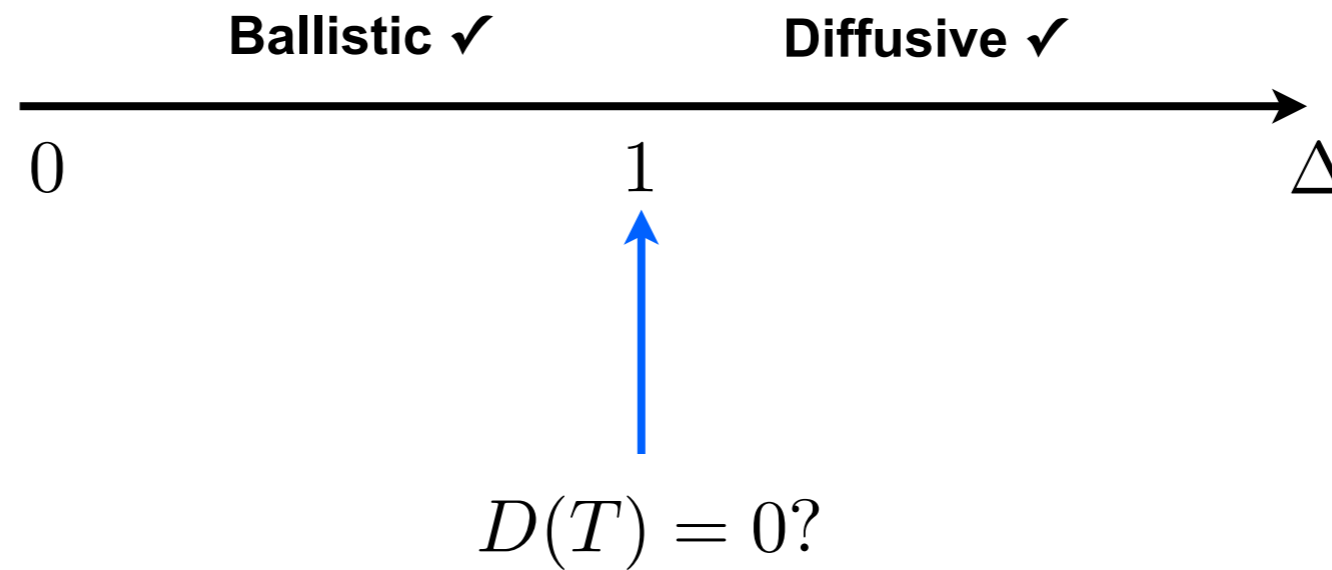
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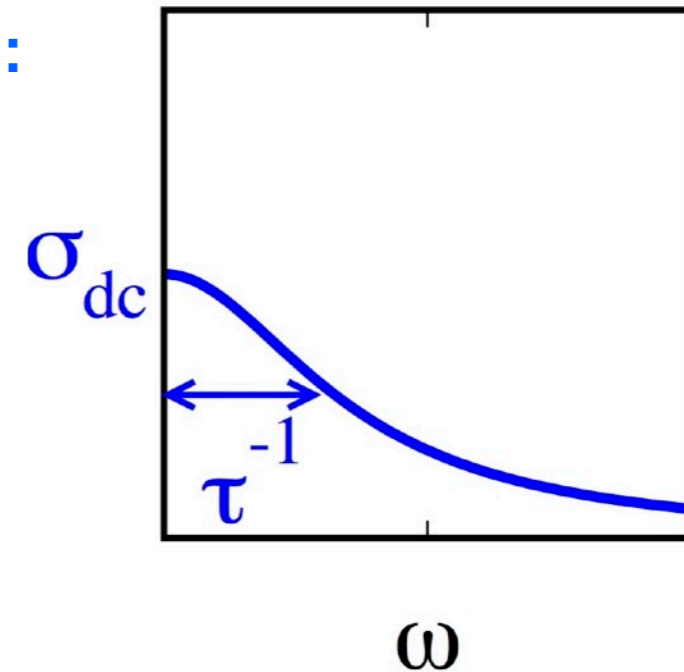
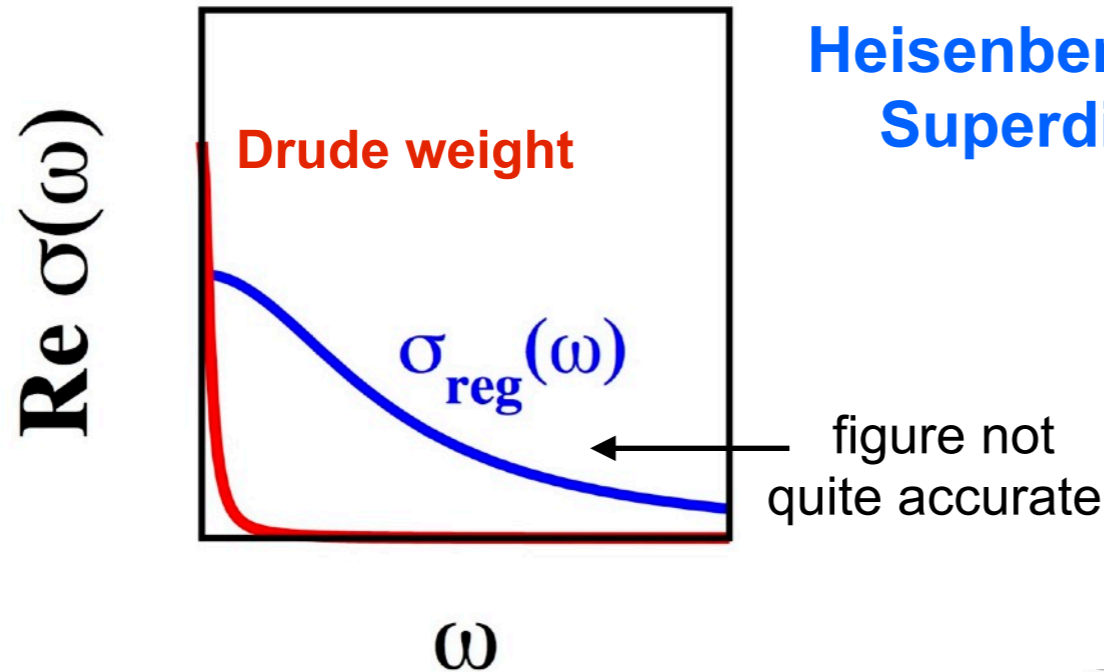
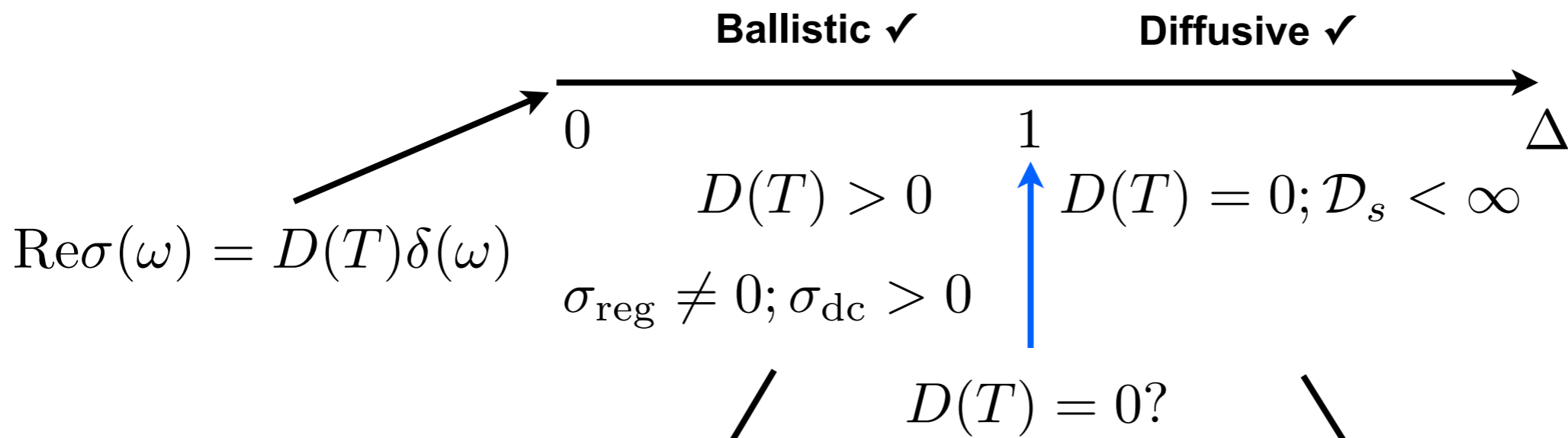
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**Heisenberg chains:  
Superdiffusive !**

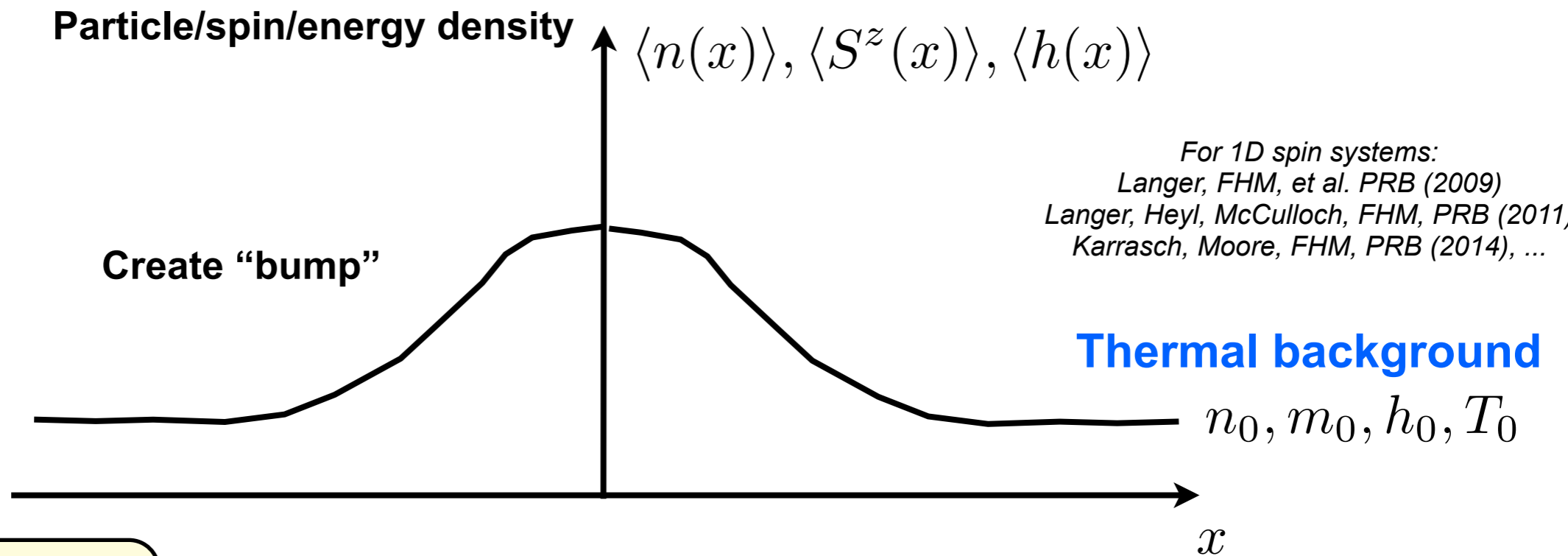
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Dupont, Moore arXiv:1907.12115*

# Spin-1/2 XXZ chains: Finite T spin transport



<p><b>dissipationless heat &amp; spin transport (+ diffusion/superdiffusion)</b></p>	<p><b>dissipationless heat but diffusive spin transport</b></p>
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# Signatures in local quenches



For 1D spin systems:  
 Langer, FHM, et al. PRB (2009)  
 Langer, Heyl, McCulloch, FHM, PRB (2011)  
 Karrasch, Moore, FHM, PRB (2014), ...

Study width:

$$\sigma_\nu(t) \propto t^\alpha$$

$$\sigma_\nu^2(t) \sim \sum_i (i - i_0)^2 \langle S_i^z(t) \rangle$$

Steinigeweg, Wichterich, Gemmer,  
 EPL (2009)

**Generalized  
 Einstein relation:**  
 $T = \infty$

$$\delta\sigma_\nu^2(t) = \frac{2}{L\chi_\nu} \int_0^t dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 \langle j_\nu(t_2) j_\nu(0) \rangle_{\text{eq}}$$

**Diffusive case:**

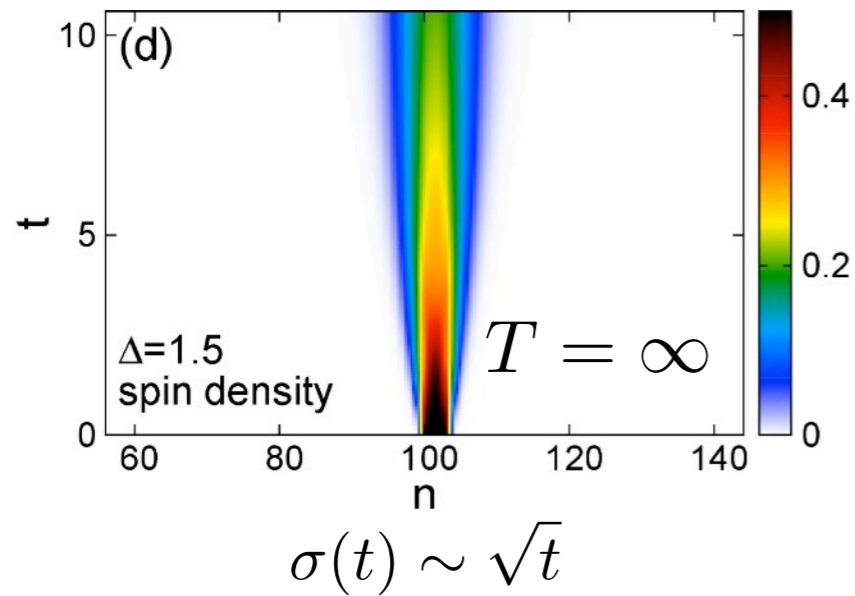
$$\delta\sigma_\nu^2(t) = 2D_\nu t; \quad D_\nu = \frac{\sigma_{dc,\nu}}{\chi_\nu}$$

**Ballistic case: Drude weight!**

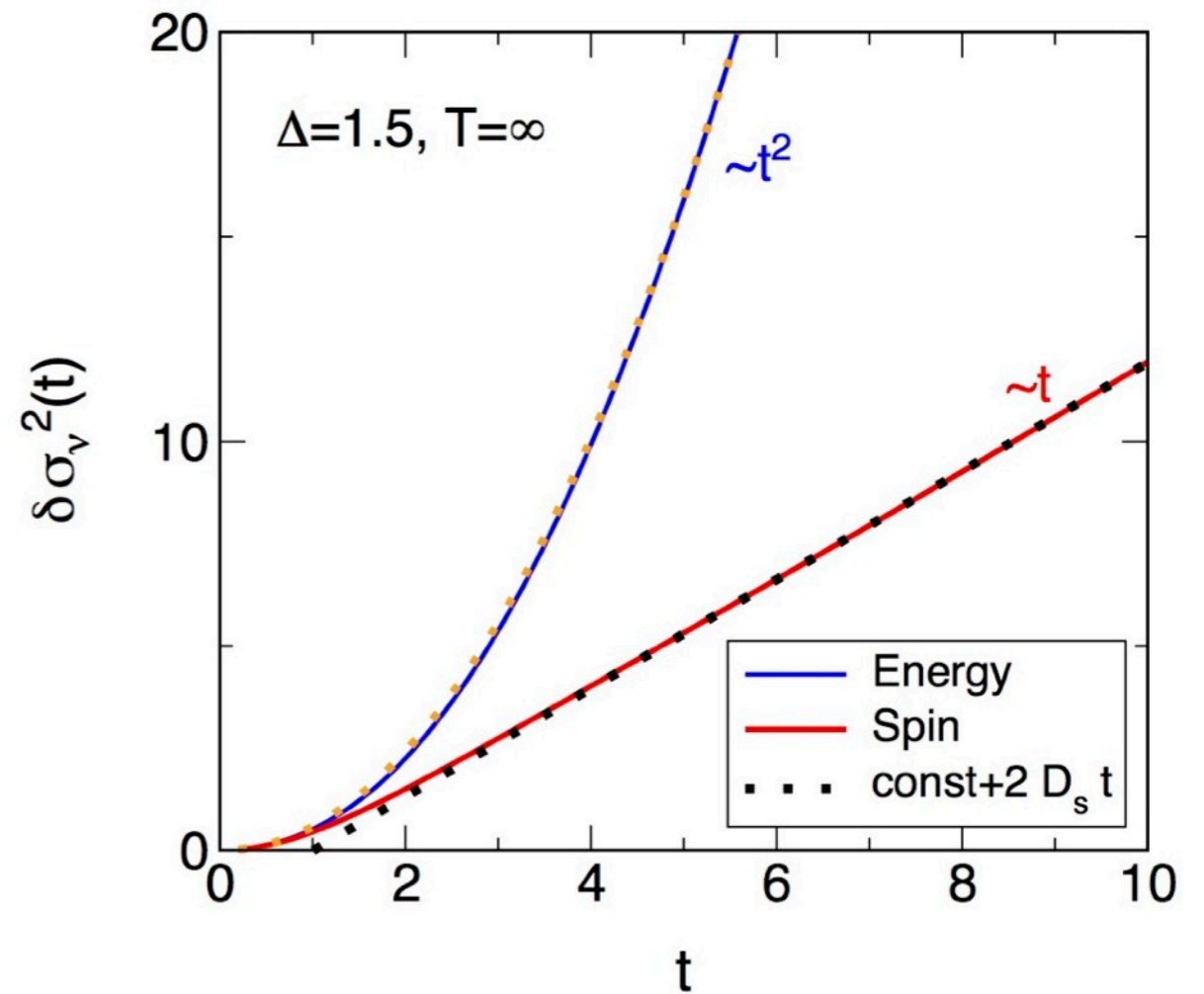
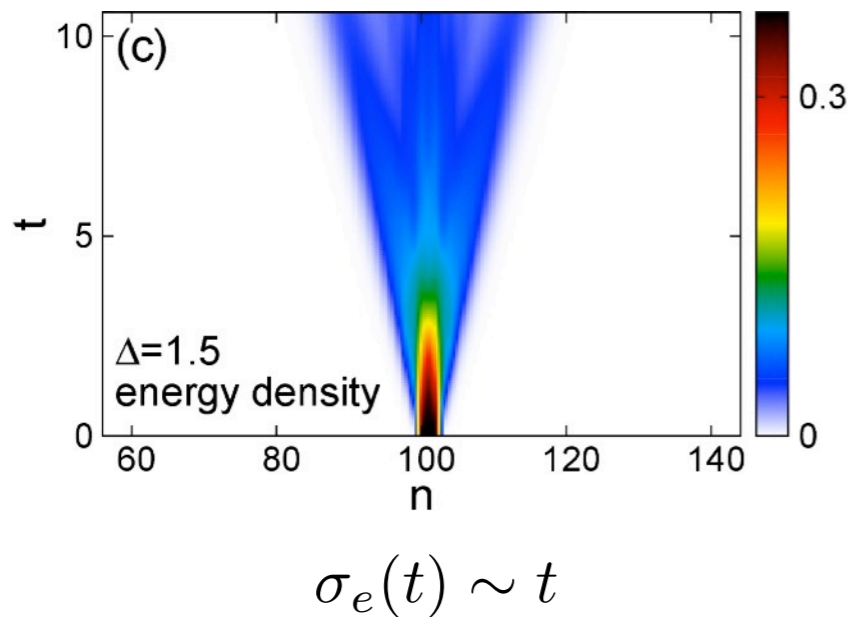
$$\delta\sigma_\nu^2(t) \propto \frac{D_\nu t^2}{\chi_\nu}$$

# Diffusive spin dynamics in local quenches at finite T

## Spin density: Diffusive



## Energy density: Ballistic



spin diffusion constant

$$\sigma(t) \sim \sqrt{D_s t}$$

(agrees with Kubo!)



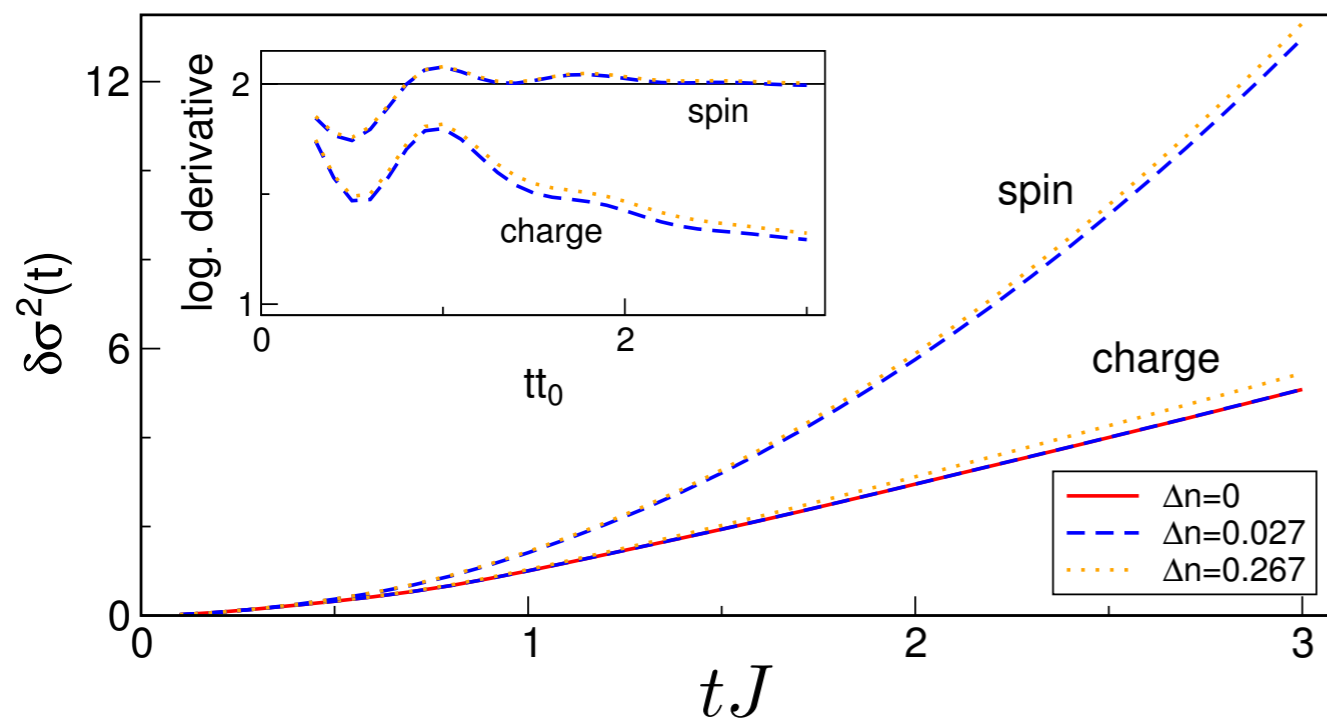
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$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + h.c.) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

$$N_\uparrow \neq N_\downarrow$$

$$\Delta n = (N_\uparrow - N_\downarrow)/N$$

## Spreading of density perturbation



**ballistic**

**"diffusive"**

**Optical-lattice  
experiments do better  
by a factor of 2-3 !**

**Coexistence of *ballistic* spin &  
(super) *diffusive* charge transport**

**Potentially better numerical approach:  
Time-dep. variational principle**

Leviatan, Pollmann, Bardarson, Huse, Altman arXiv:1702.08894  
Haegeman et al. PRL 107, 070601 (2011)

For details: See Karrasch, Prosen, FHM Phys. Rev. B 95, 060406(R) (2017)

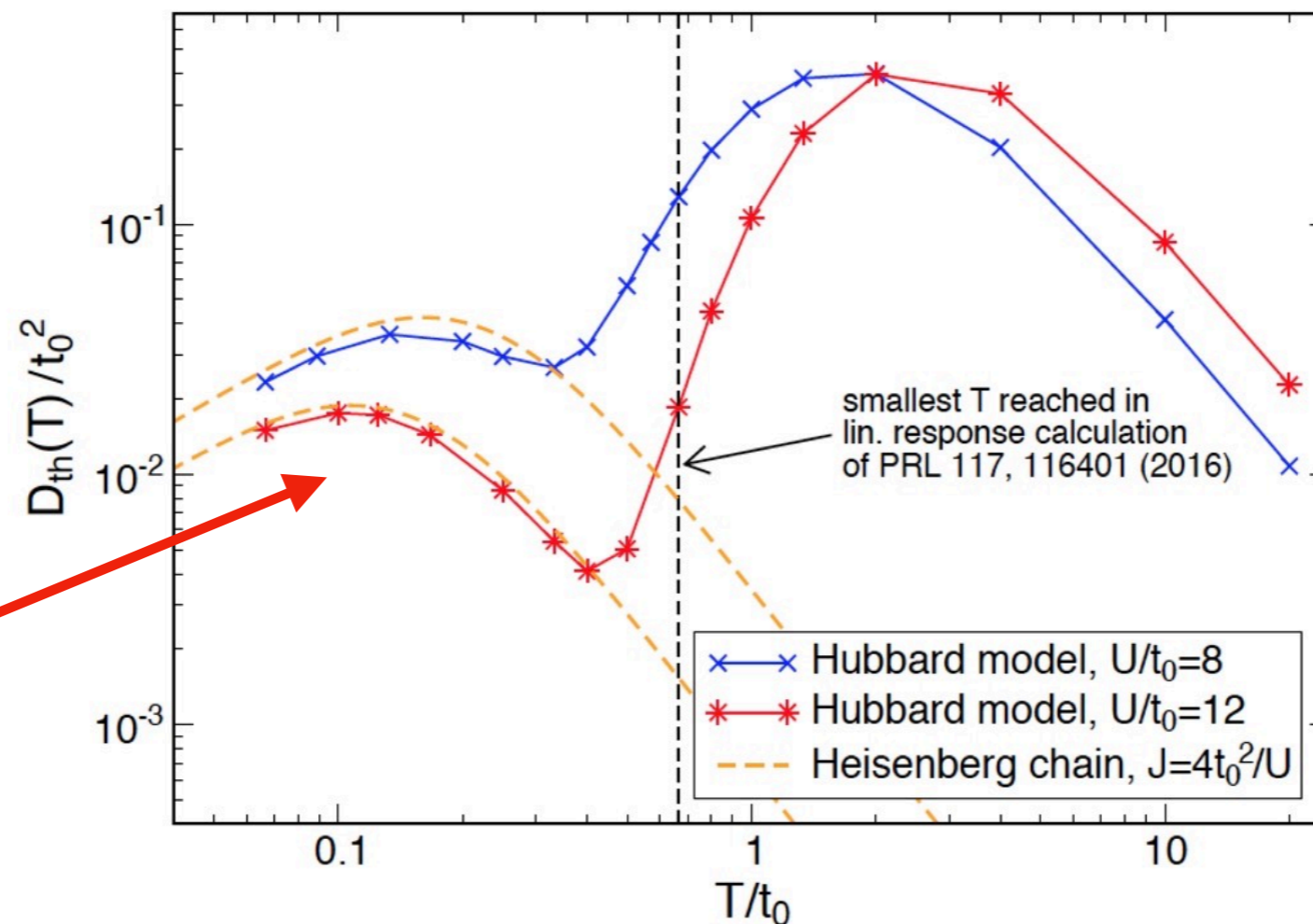
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$$\langle j_E Q_3 \rangle \neq 0$$

Zotos, Naef, Prelovšek, PRB (1997)

## Ballistic thermal conductor



Charge dominates:  
Optical lattices

$$t_0 \rightarrow J$$

Spin dominates:  
Quantum magnets

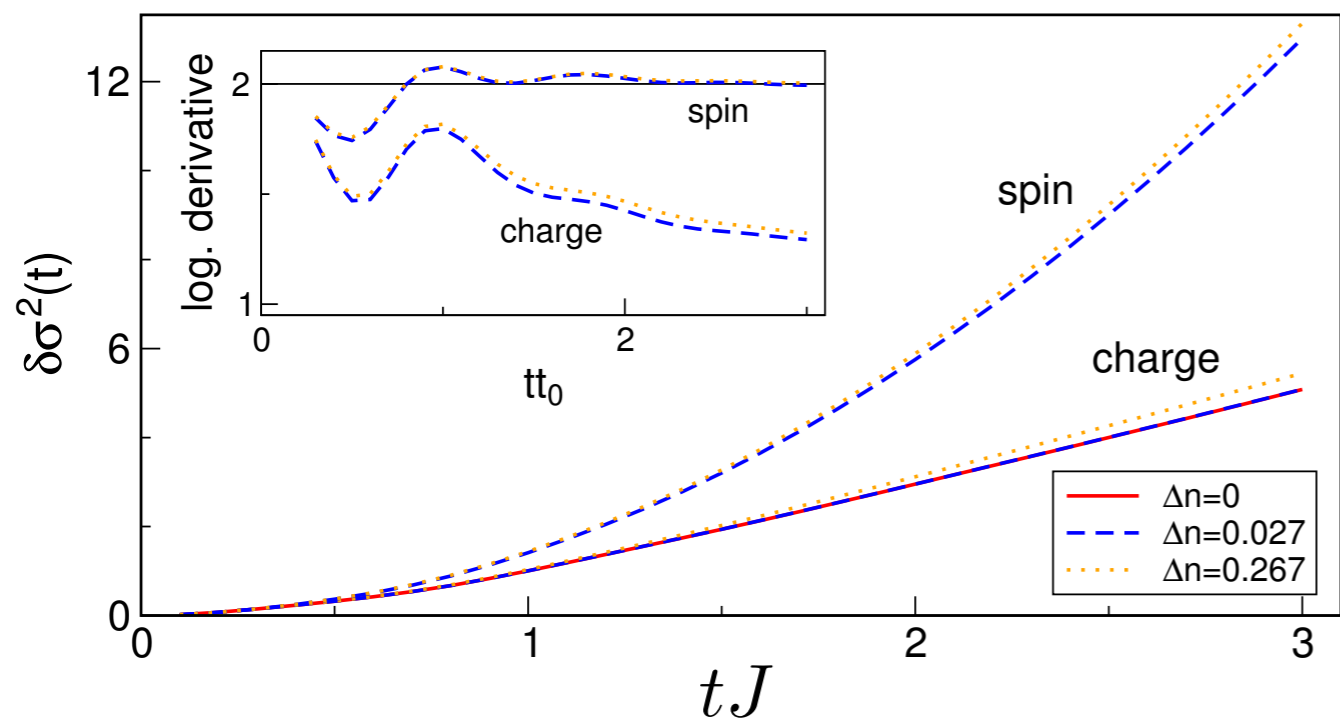
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Karrasch, Kennes, *FHM PRL* 117, 116401 (2016), Ilievski, De Nardis *Phys. Rev. B* 96, 081118(R) (2017)

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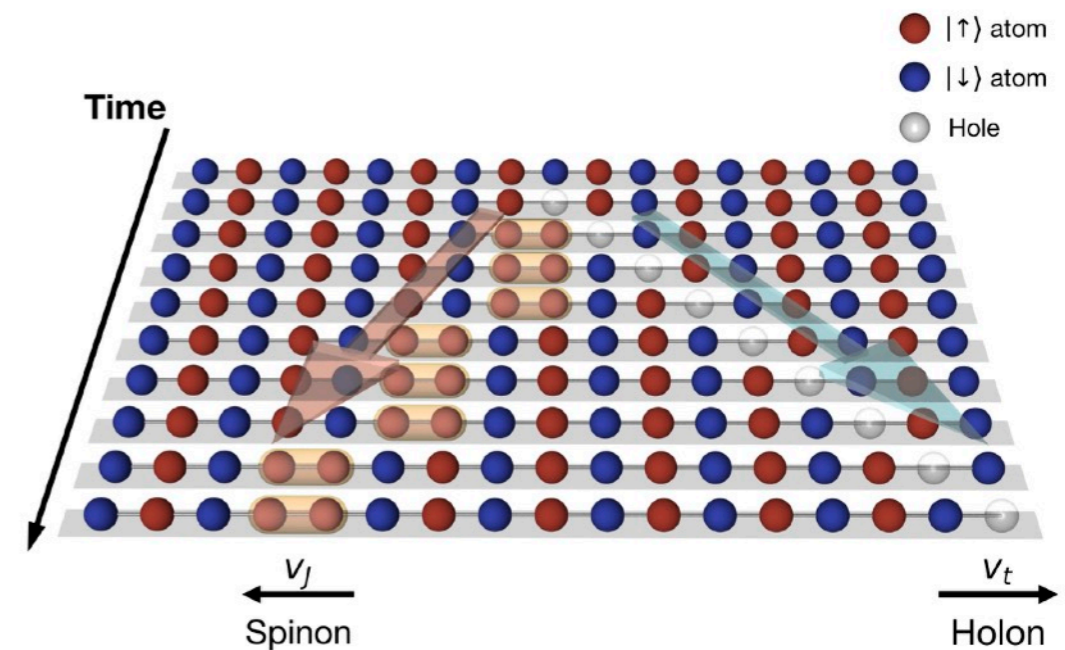
$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + h.c.) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

$$N_\uparrow \neq N_\downarrow$$

## Spreading of density perturbation



## Fermionic quantum gas microscopes!



Coexistence of **ballistic spin** & **super-diffusive charge transport**

Viljayan et al. arXiv:1905.13638 (MPQ)  
 Greiner (Harvard), Bloch/Gross (MPQ),  
 Zwierlein (MIT), Kuhr (Strathclyde), Thywissen  
 (Toronto), Bakr (Princeton), ...  
 1D: Boll et al, Science 353, 1257 (2016)

Ilievski, De Nardis, Medenjak, Prosen Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 230602 (2018)

For details: See Karrasch, Prosen, FHM Phys. Rev. B 95, 060406(R) (2017)

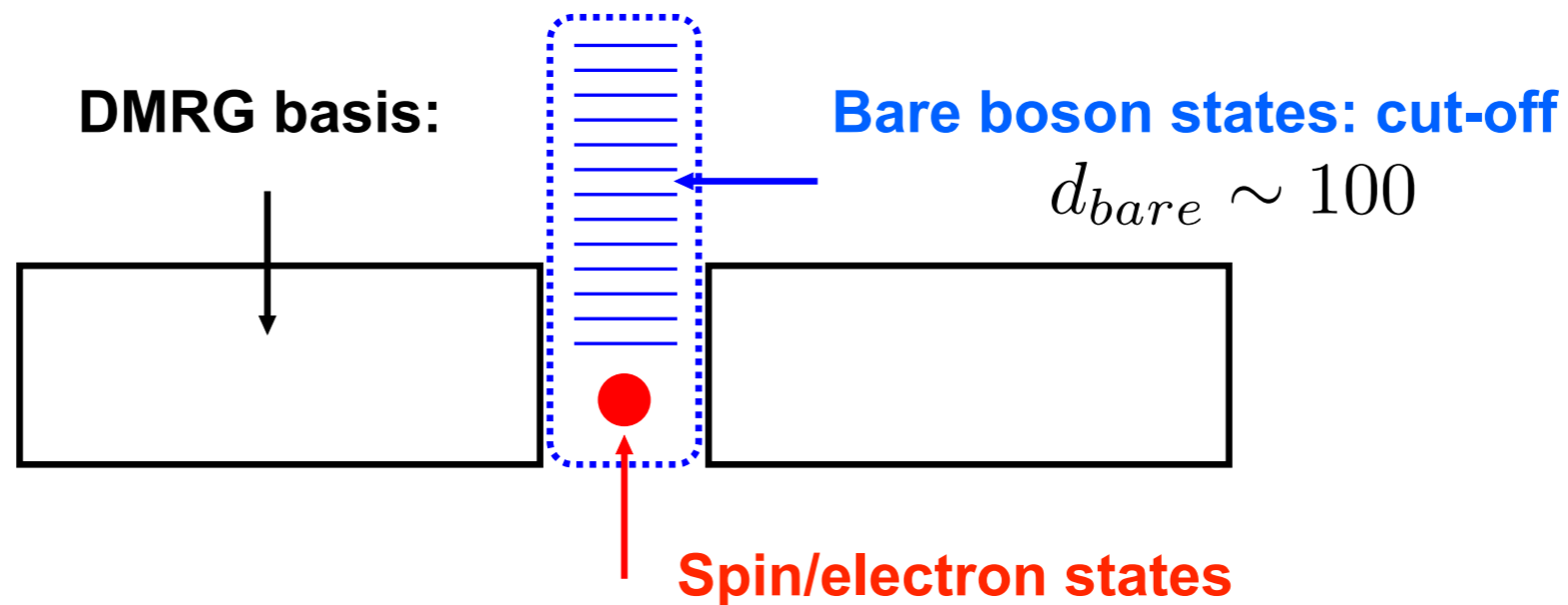
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Zhang, Jeckelmann, White PRL 1998  
Guo et al. PRL 2012



Theory for transport in spin-phonon systems

Chernyshev, Rozhkov Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 017204 (2016)

Boulat, Mehta, Andrei, Shimshoni, Rosch Phys. Rev. B 76, 214411 (2007)

Rozhkov Chernyshev Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 087201 (2005)



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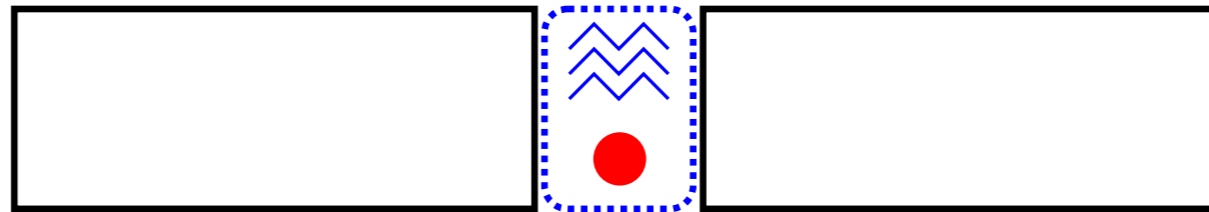
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Local basis optimization:

$$d_O \ll d$$



*Time-dependent version !*

Brockt, Dorfner, Vidmar, FHM, Jeckelmann Phys. Rev. B 92, 241106(R) (2015)

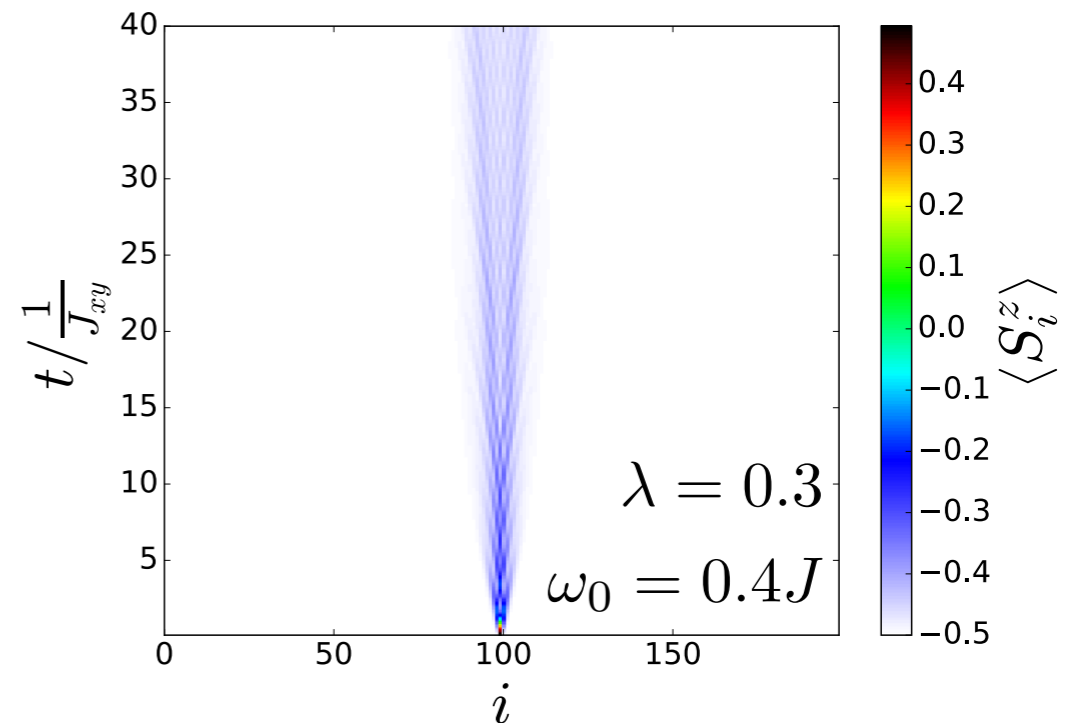
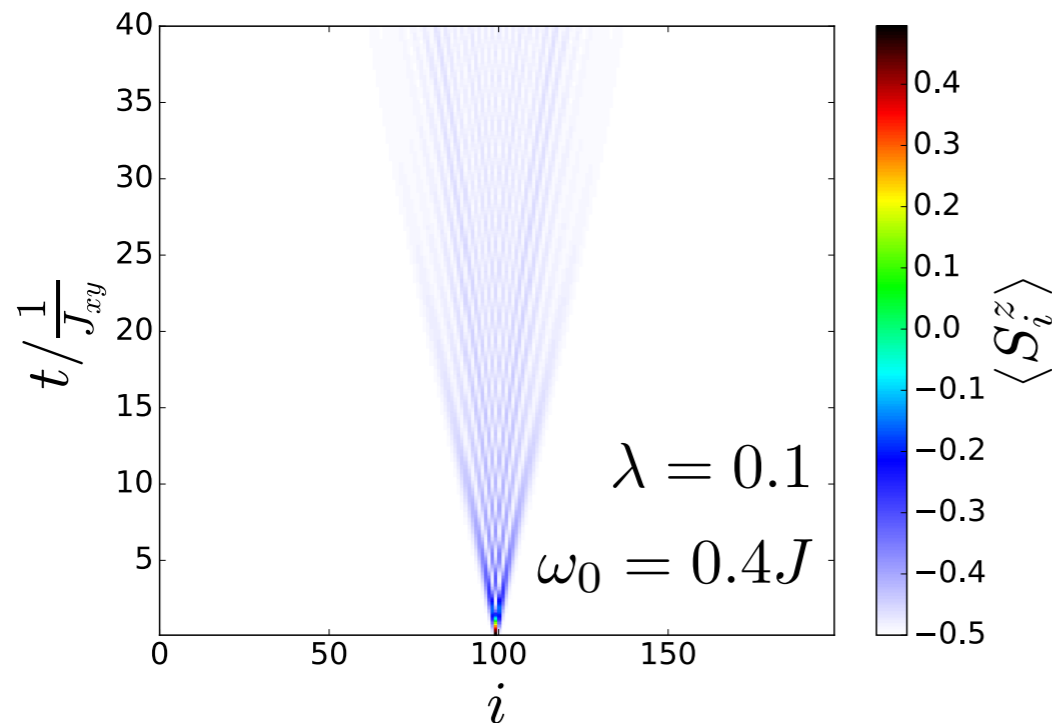




# First steps: Dynamics in spin-phonon chains

$$H = J \sum_l \left( 1 - \lambda(b_{l+1}^\dagger + b_{l+1} - b_l^\dagger - b_l) \right) \vec{S}_l \cdot \vec{S}_{l+1} + \omega_0 \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} b_l^\dagger b_l$$

**Initial state:**  $|\psi_0\rangle = |\dots \downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow \dots\rangle$



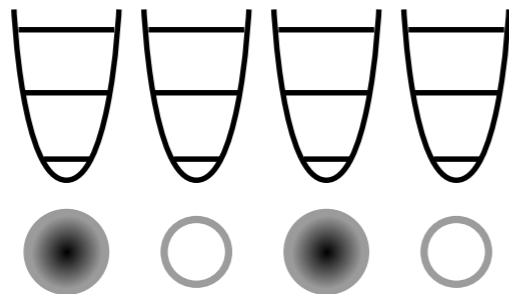
**Spin polaron formation? Dispersive phonons?  
Adiabatic limit: Diffusion?**

*Stolpp, Jeckelmann, FHM, work in progress*



# Relaxation from bare-electron CDW state

(a)  $|\text{BCDW}\rangle$



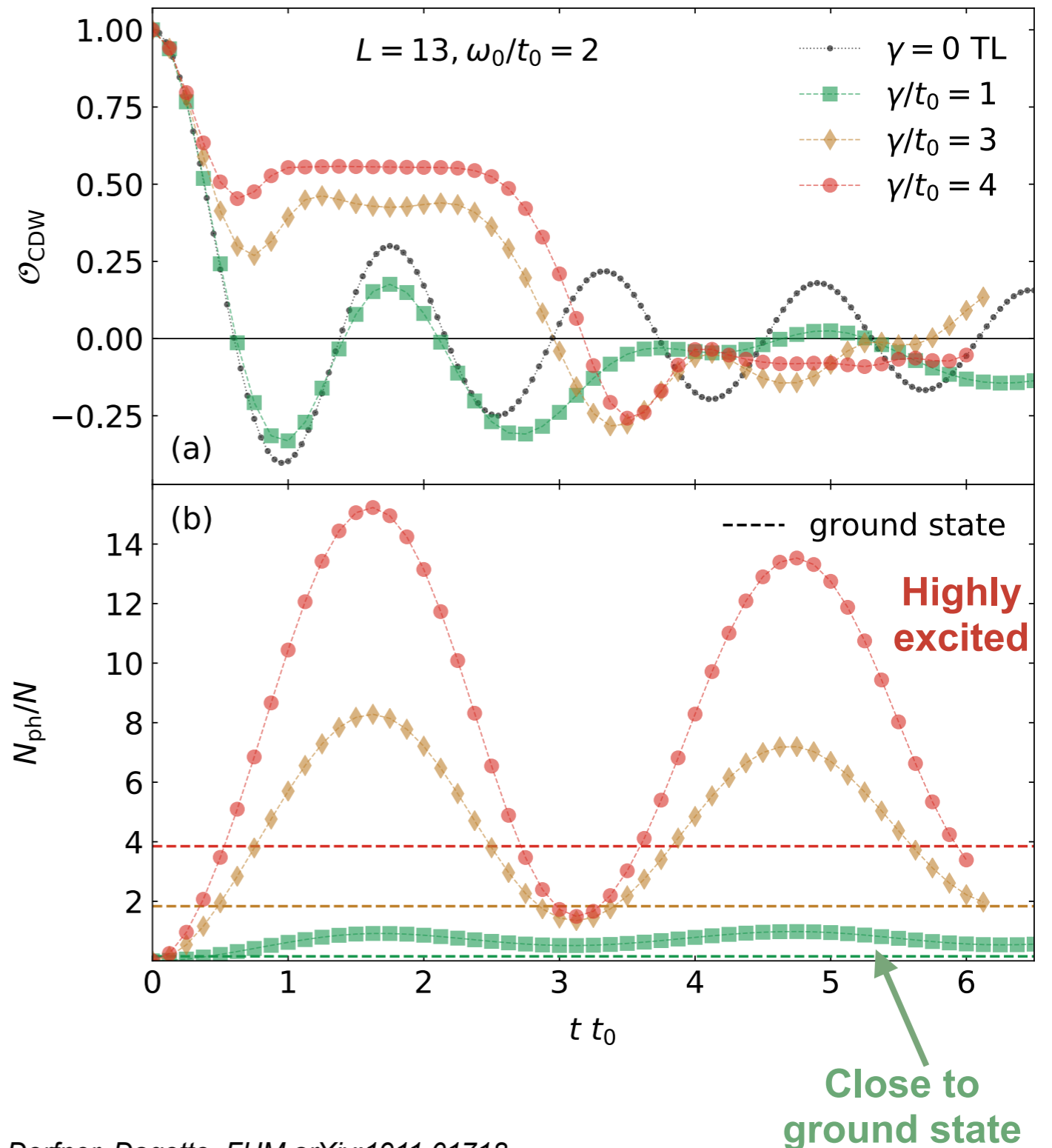
$$|\text{BCDW}\rangle = \left[ \prod_{l=1}^{(L-1)/2} c_{2l}^\dagger \right] |\emptyset\rangle_{\text{el}} |\emptyset\rangle_{\text{ph}}.$$

Order parameter:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{CDW}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=1}^L (-1)^l \langle n_l \rangle$$

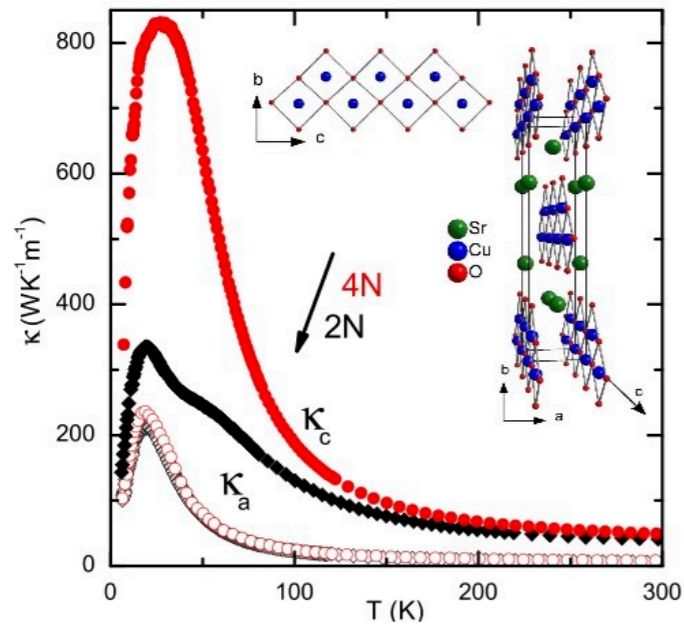
Step-like relaxation

$$M_{ph}/L = 40; N = 6$$



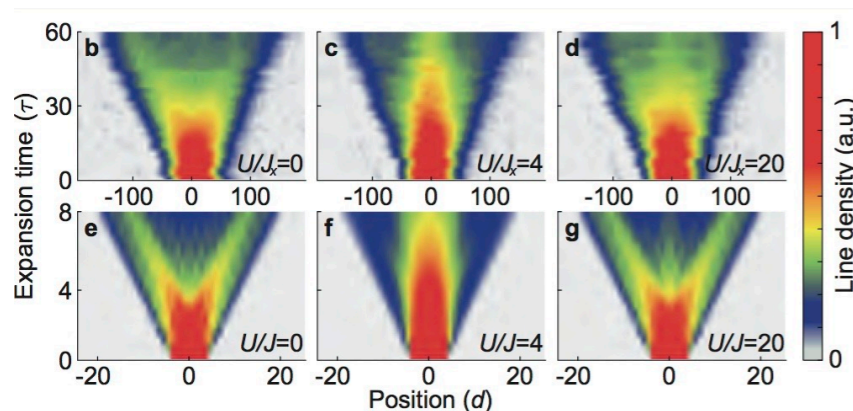
# Summary

## Large “magnon” heat transport in AFM quantum magnets



Hlubek, Büchner, Hess et al., PRB 2010

## Ballistic nonequilibrium transport in optical lattice



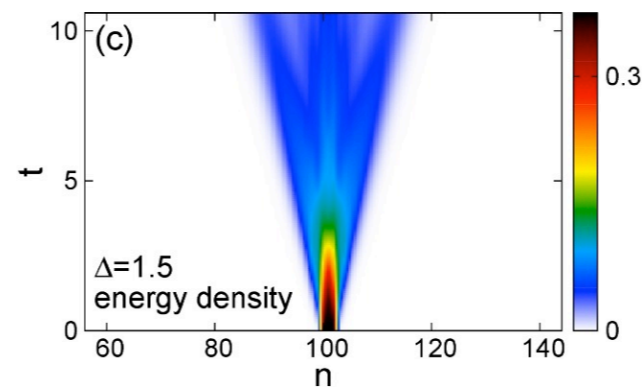
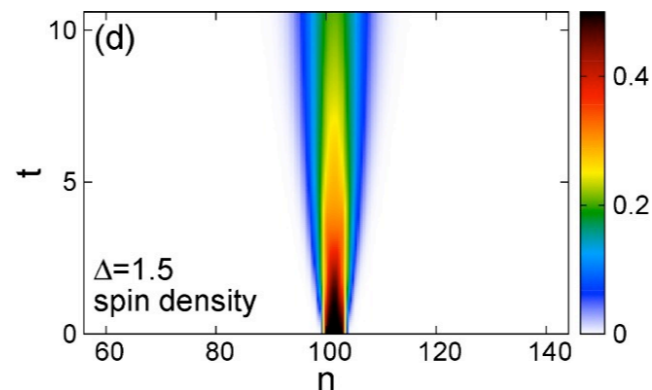
Ronzheimer, FHM, Bloch, Schneider et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 205301 (2013)

## Theory: Spin-1/2 chains

Dissipationless heat & spin transport possible (integrability)

Coexistence of ballistic heat with diffusive spin transport!

## Optical lattice expts!



Karrasch, Moore, FHM, PRB 89, 075139 (2014)  
Karrasch, Prosen, FHM PRB 95, 060406(R) (2017)

## DMRG for e-phonon

Local basis Optimisation

CDW melting

Brockt et al. PRB 92, 241106(R) (2015)  
Stolpp et al. arXiv:1911.01718

## Future goals

Transport in spin/electron-phonon systems

**Thank you!**