

State preparation algorithms for lattice Schwinger model

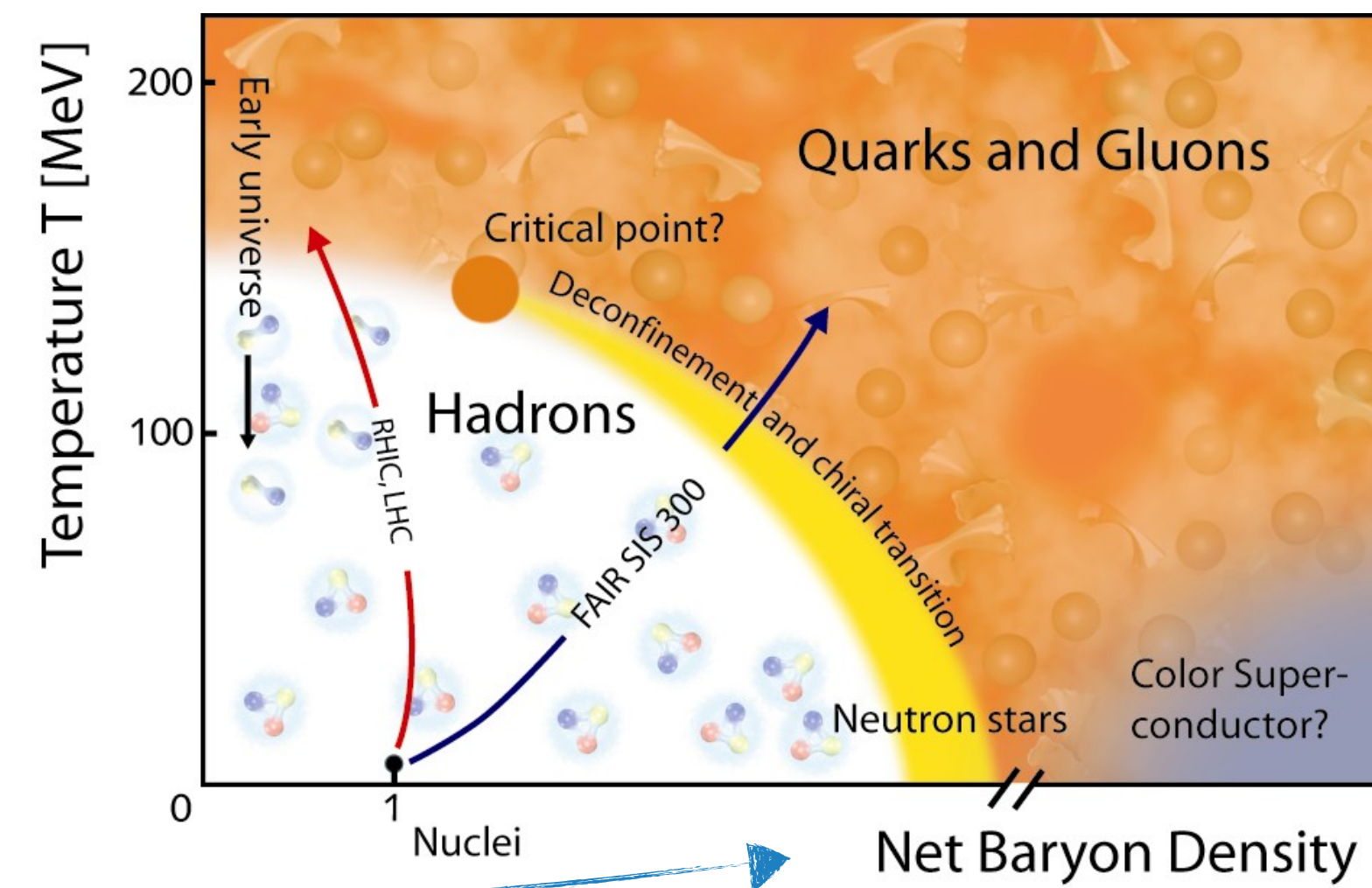
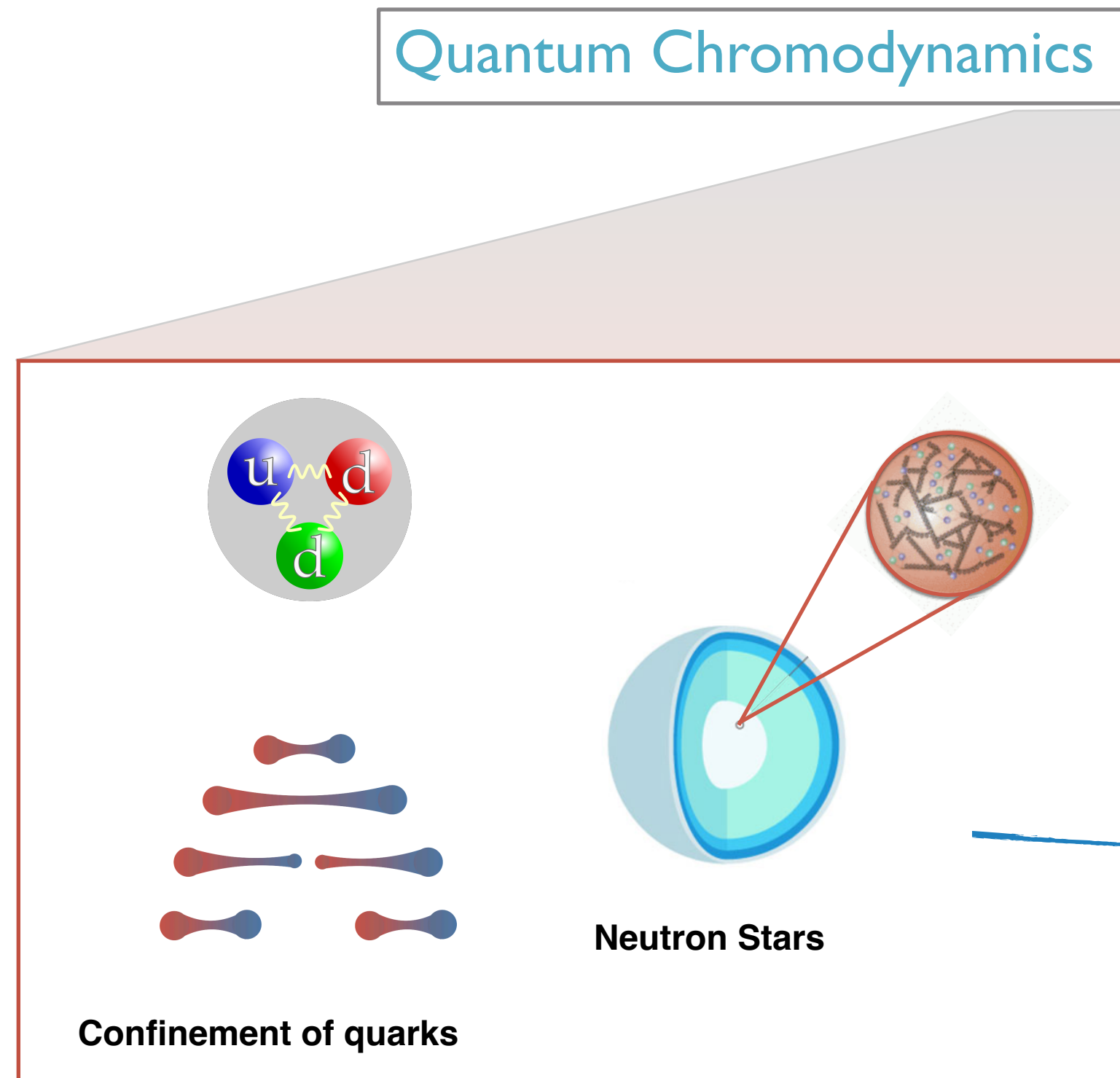
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Motivation: Strong Interaction in Standard Model of Particle Physics

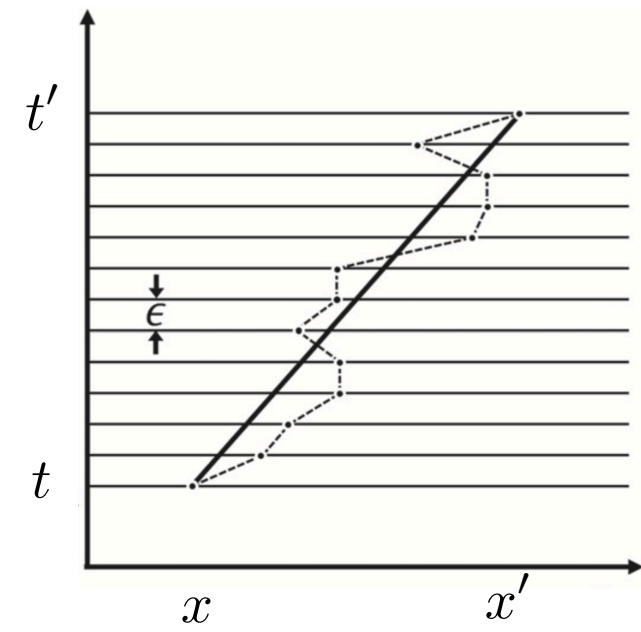
... understanding the phase diagram and real time dynamics



[Credit: Peter Senger (p.senger@gsi.de)]

Lattice Gauge Theories beyond Euclidean Monte Carlo Approach

Path Integrals



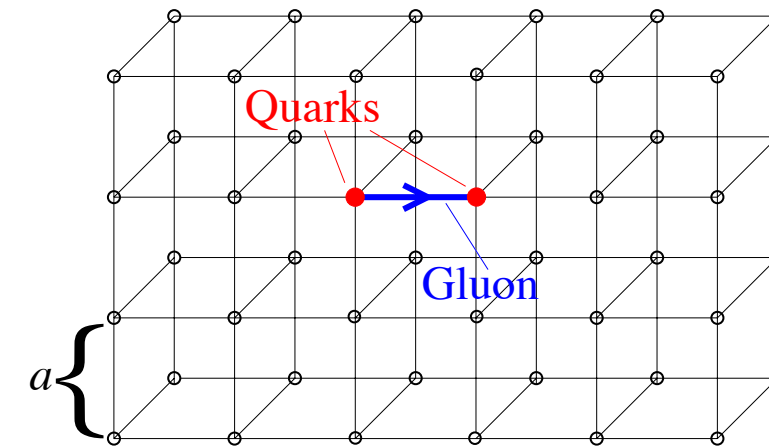
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Euclidean
space-time

$$\epsilon \longrightarrow -i a$$

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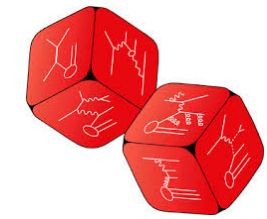
Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)



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Lattice QCD

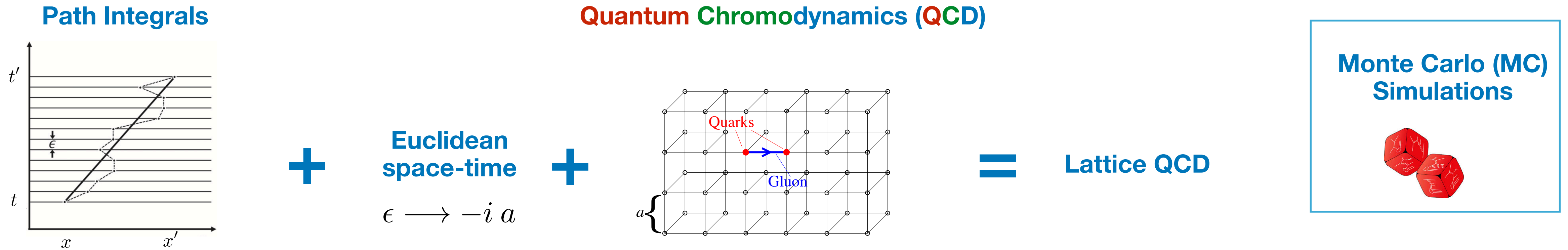
Monte Carlo (MC)
Simulations



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[Aoki et al. Eur.Phys.J.C 82 (2022) 10, 869]

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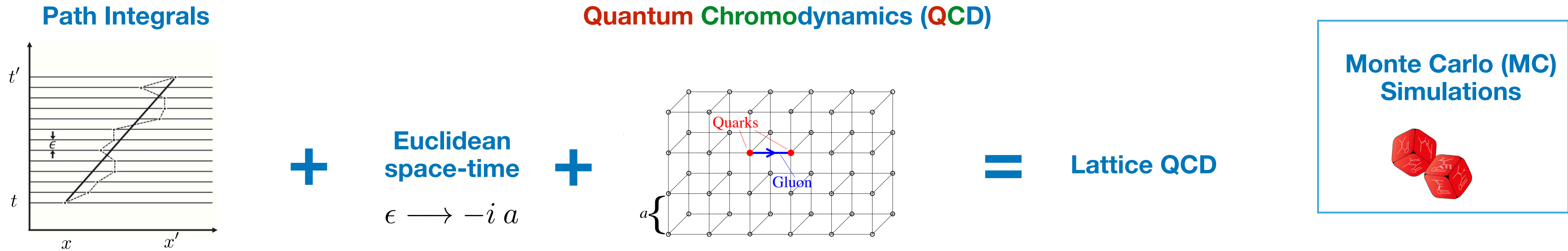
$$\langle O[A, \psi, \bar{\psi}] \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int D[A] \det D[A] e^{-S_G[A]}$$

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Sign Problem

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Quantum Simulations

Toy model for QCD in 3+1D: QED in 1+1D
 Schwinger model [Schwinger, Physical Review 125, 397 (1962)]
 Chiral symmetry, confinement, string breaking ...

Quantum Electrodynamics in 1+1D

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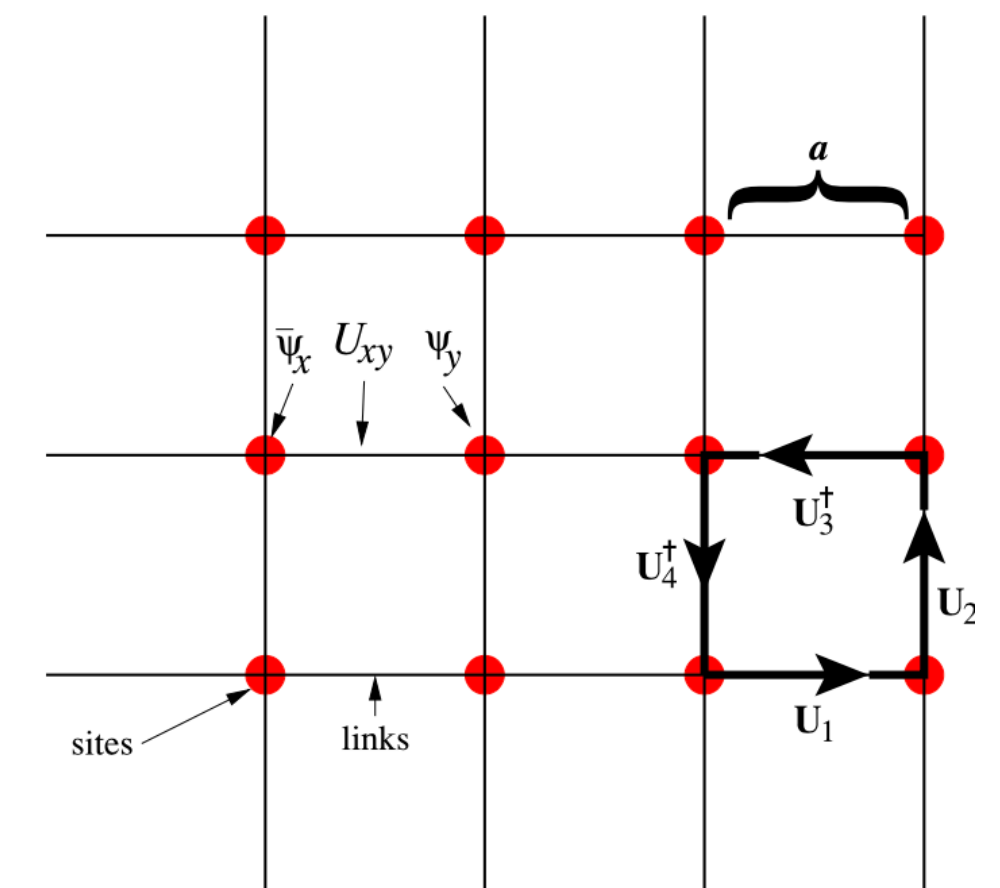
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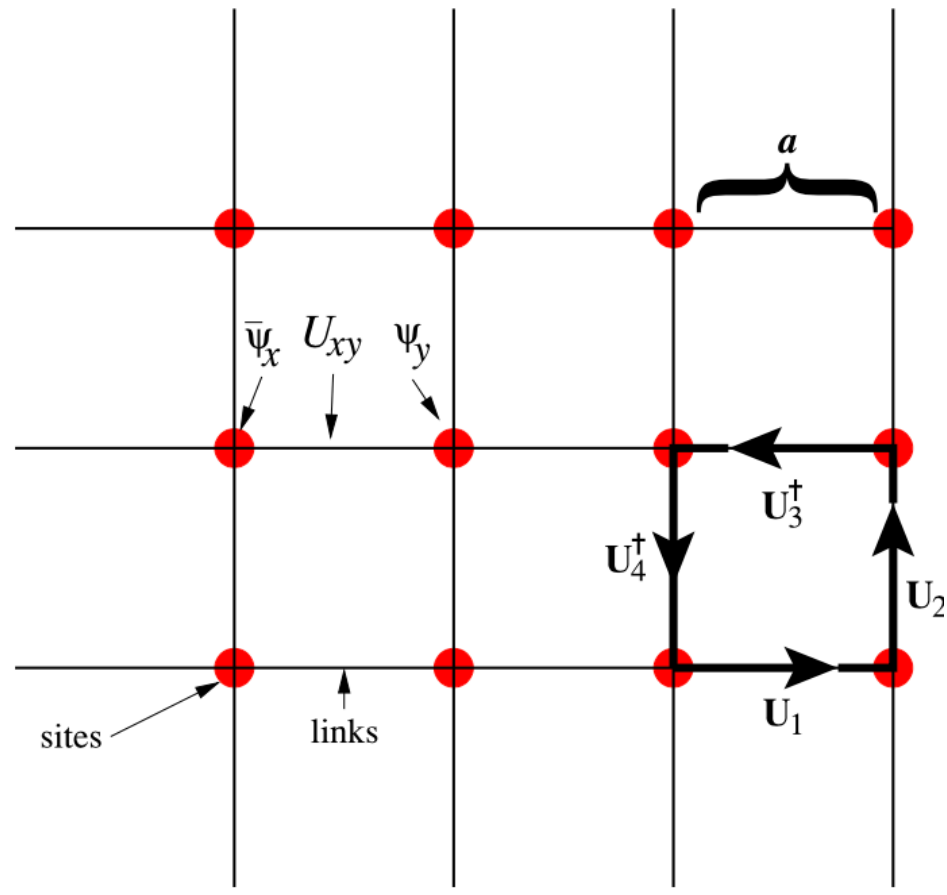
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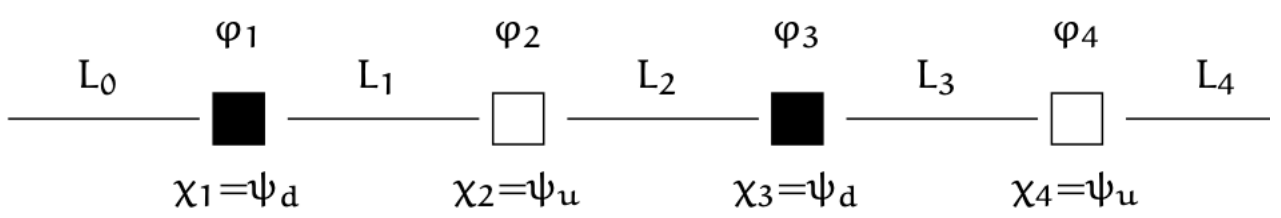


- Technicalities – starting from \mathcal{L}_{QED2} to get H_{QED2} :

→ Chiral $U(1)_A$ rotation: $\psi \rightarrow e^{i\frac{\theta\gamma_5}{2}}\psi$; timelike axial gauge: $A_0 \equiv 0$

→ Staggered fermion discretization

[Kogut, Susskind, Phys. Rev. D 11, 395 (1975)]



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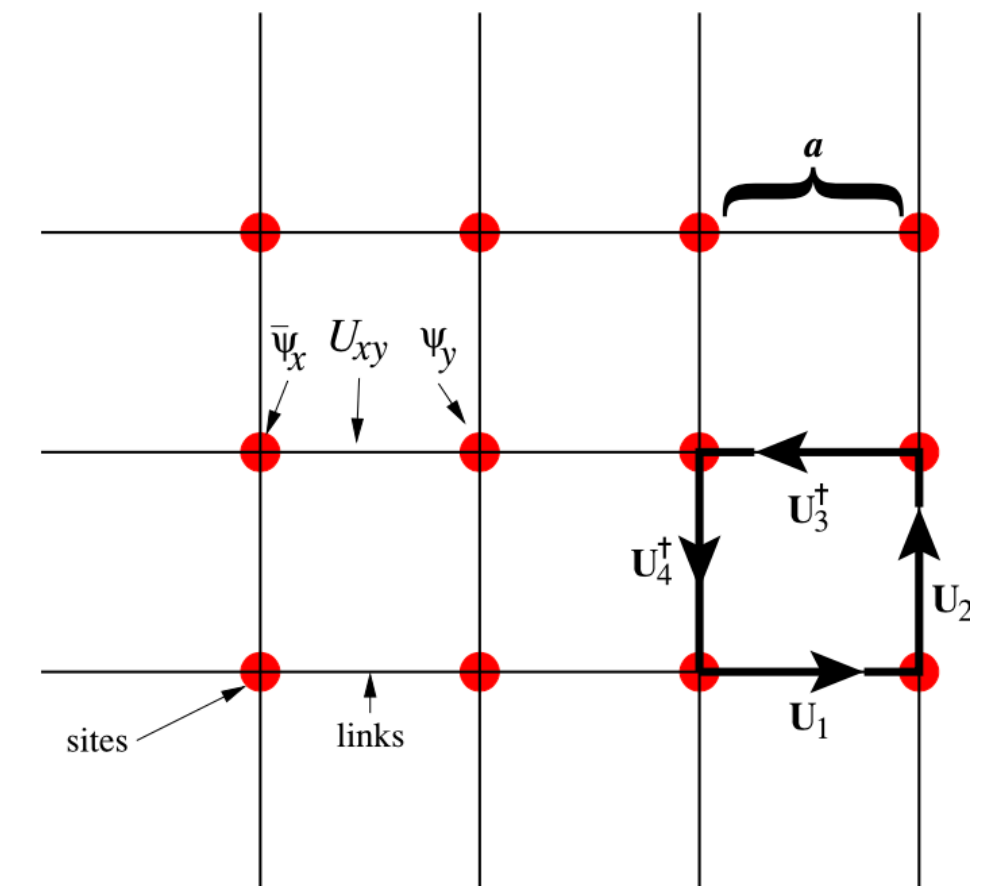
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- **Digital Quantum Simulations of QED2: non-exhaustive list**

[Martinez et al. Nature 534, 516–519 (2016)]
 [Klco et al. Phys. Rev. A 98, 032331 (2018)]
 [Kokail et al. Nature 569, 355–360 (2019)]
 [Jong et al. Phys. Rev. D 106, 054508 (2022)]
 [Nguyen et al. Quantum 3, 020324 (2022)]
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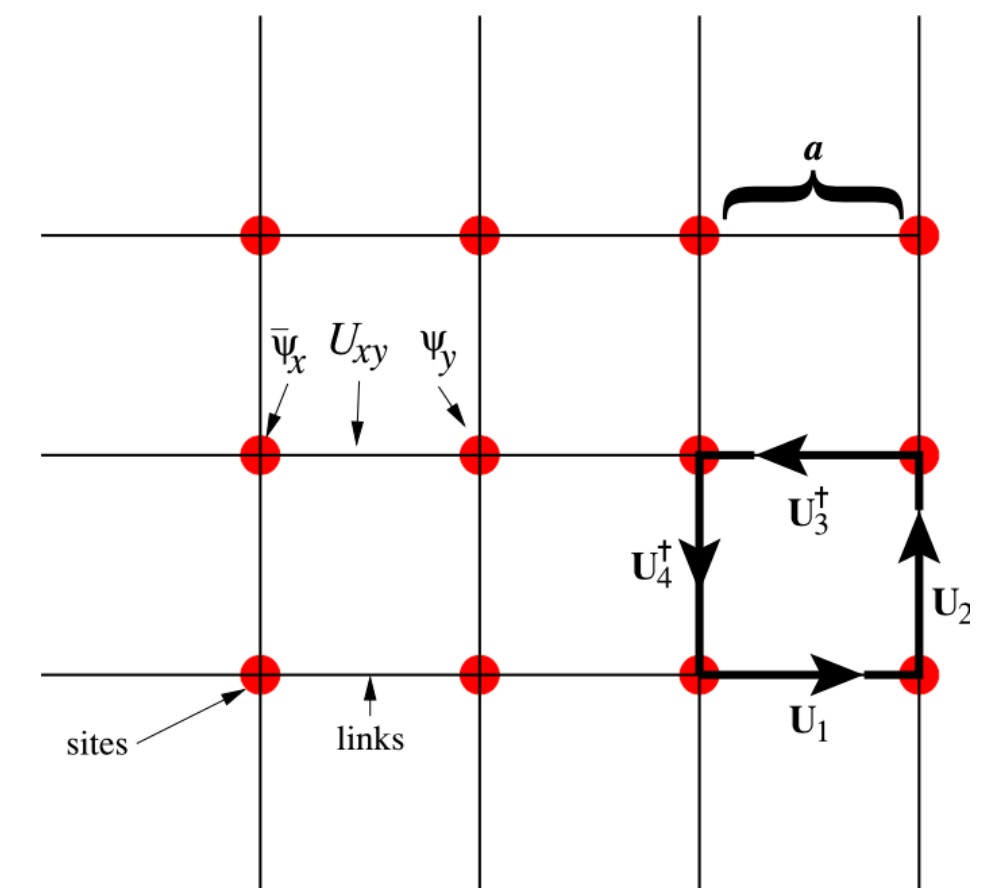
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- **Tensor Network approaches: alternative to/augmenting quantum simulations**

[Banlus et al. Physical Review D 93, (2016) 094512]
 [Buyens et al. Physical Review D 94, (2016) 085018]
 [Buyens et. al. Physical Review X 6, 041040 (2016)]
 [Butt et al. Physical Review D 101, (2020) 094509]
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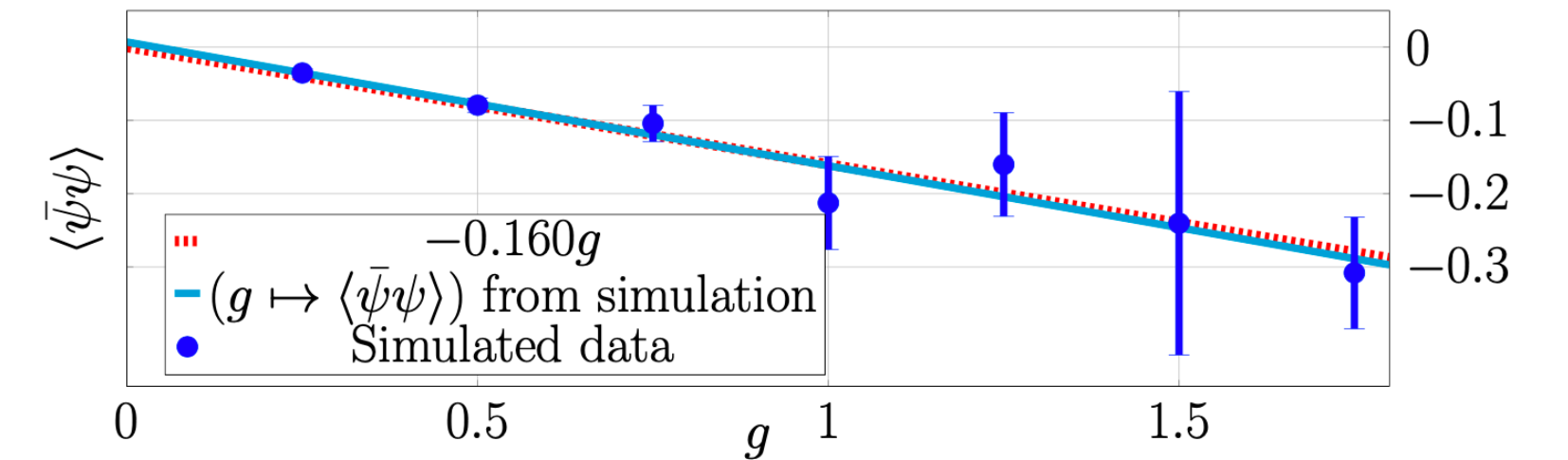
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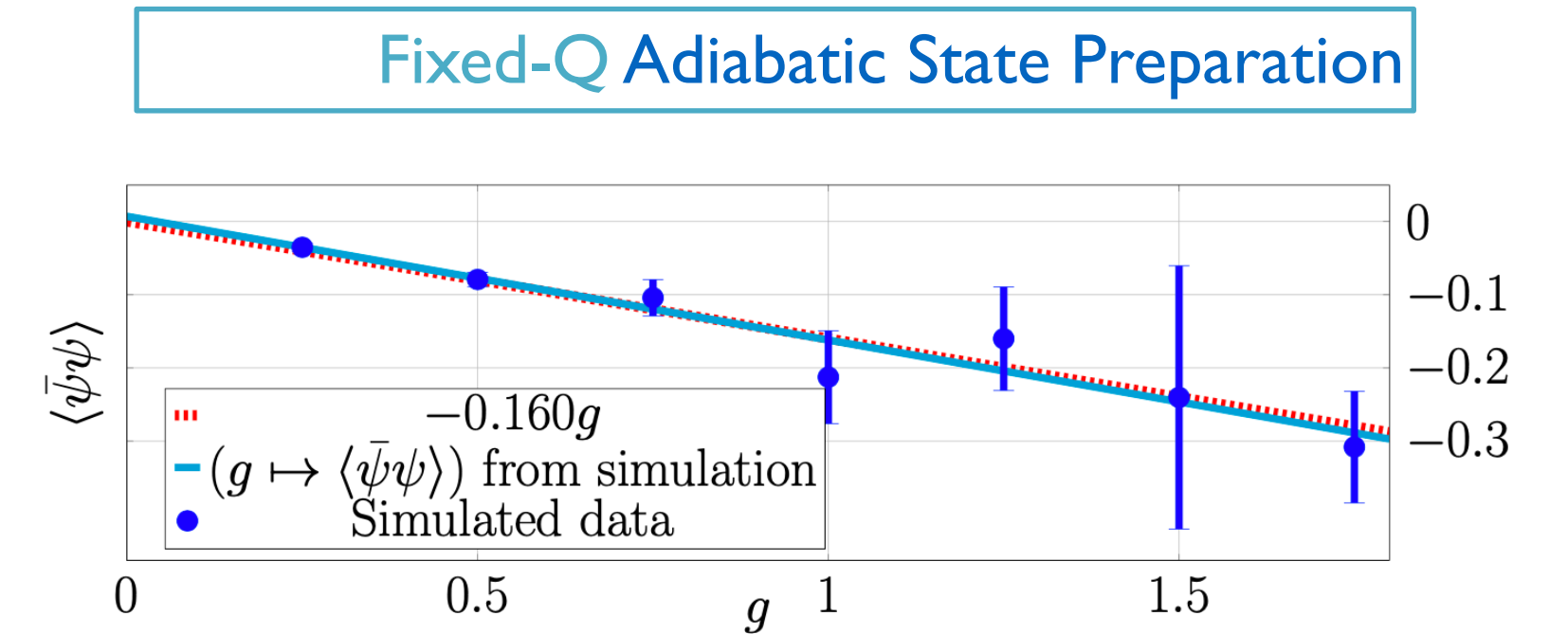
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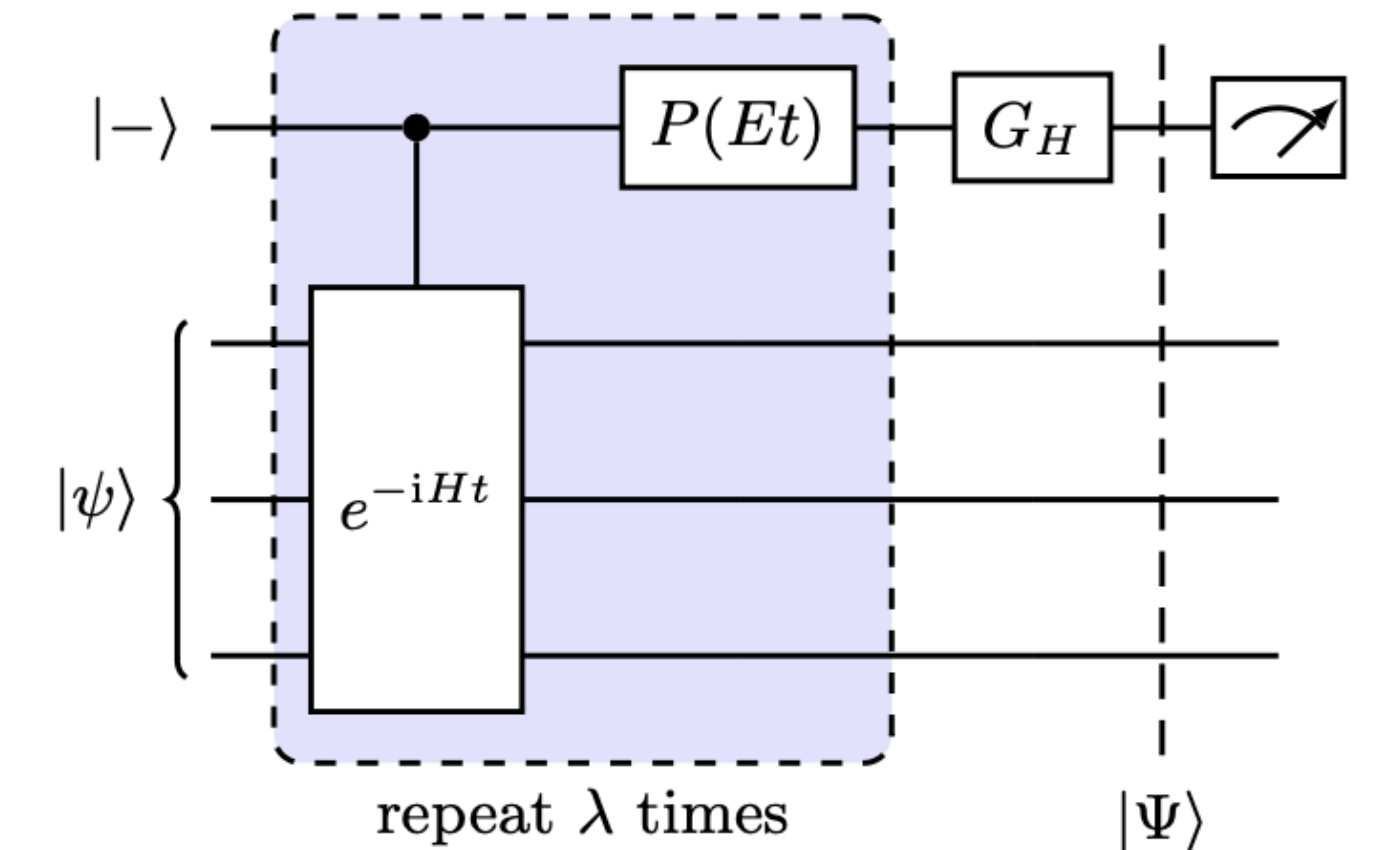
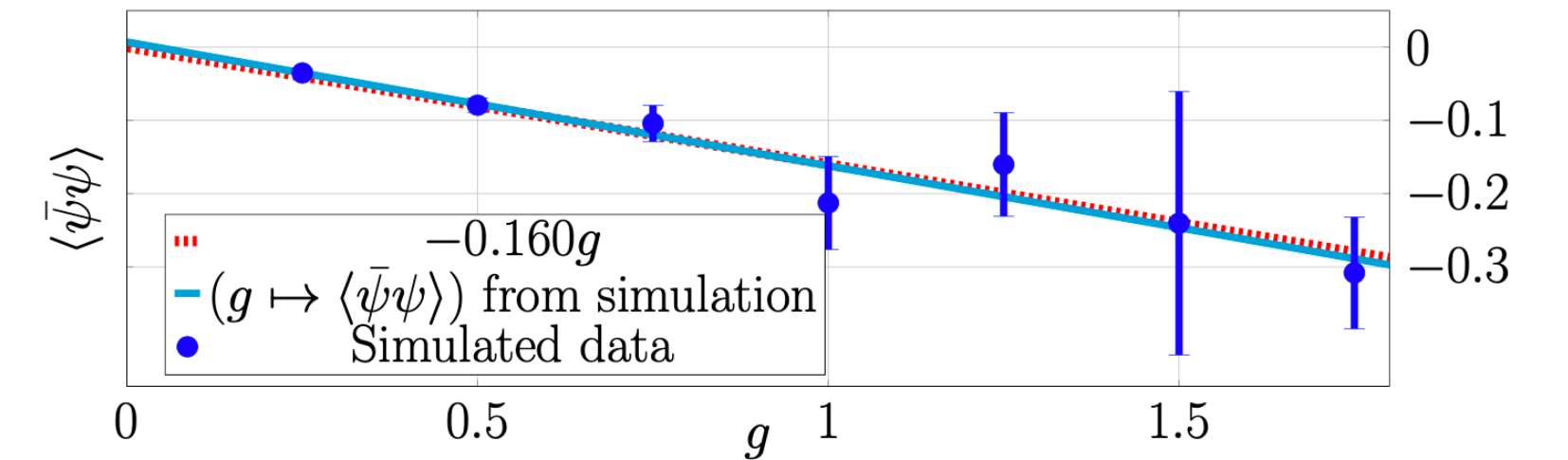
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Alternatives to ASP: Rodeo Algorithm

[Choi et al. PRL 127(4) (2021) 040505]

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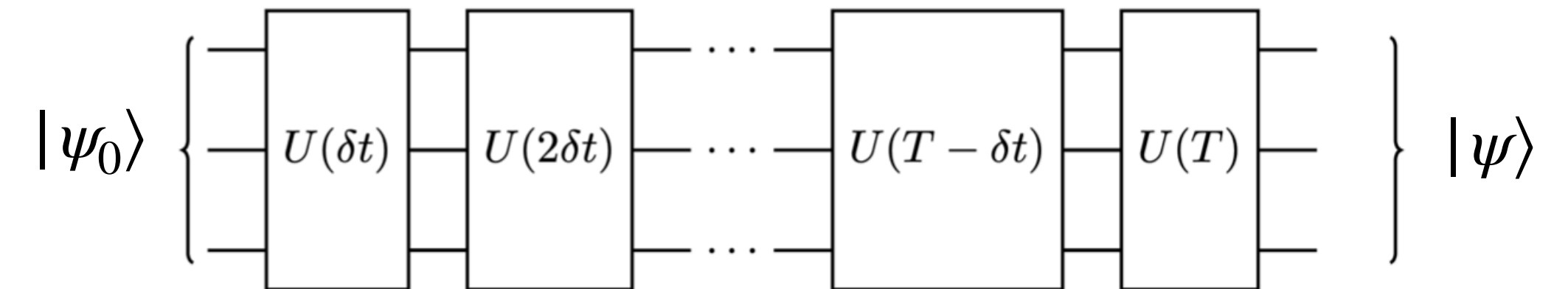
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Adiabatic Theorem:

$H_A(t)$ gapped, unique ground state \implies

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Symmetries of the QED_2 Hamiltonian

- **Charge conservation:**

$$Q = \frac{g}{2} \sum_n Z_n \quad [Q, H_{QED_2}] = 0$$

- Q : charge operator on the lattice
- states belong to different charge sectors

- **Schwinger Model** is toy model of QCD, exhibits confinement and string breaking

- **Full (θ, m) phase diagram inaccessible to conventional MC simulations**

[Coleman, Annals of Physics 101 (1976) 239]

[Coleman, Jackiw, Susskind, Annals of Physics 93 (1975) 267]

[Thompson, Siopsis, Quantum Science&Technology (2021)7]

- Schwinger model is known to have a phase transition for $\theta = \pi$ and $m/g > m_c/g \approx 0.33$

- QED_2 has a ground state in nonzero charge sector for $\theta \in [0.8\pi, 1.5\pi]$ and certain values of m

- **String breaking** not accessible with state preparation algorithms that keep Q fixed

Multi-Q Adiabatic State
Preparation is desirable

Adiabatic State Preparation (II)

- **Fixed-Q ASP Algorithm (A1):** single charge sector of H_{QED2}

$$H_{A1}(t) = H_{QED2} \Big|_{m=m(t), w=w(t), \theta=\theta(t)}$$

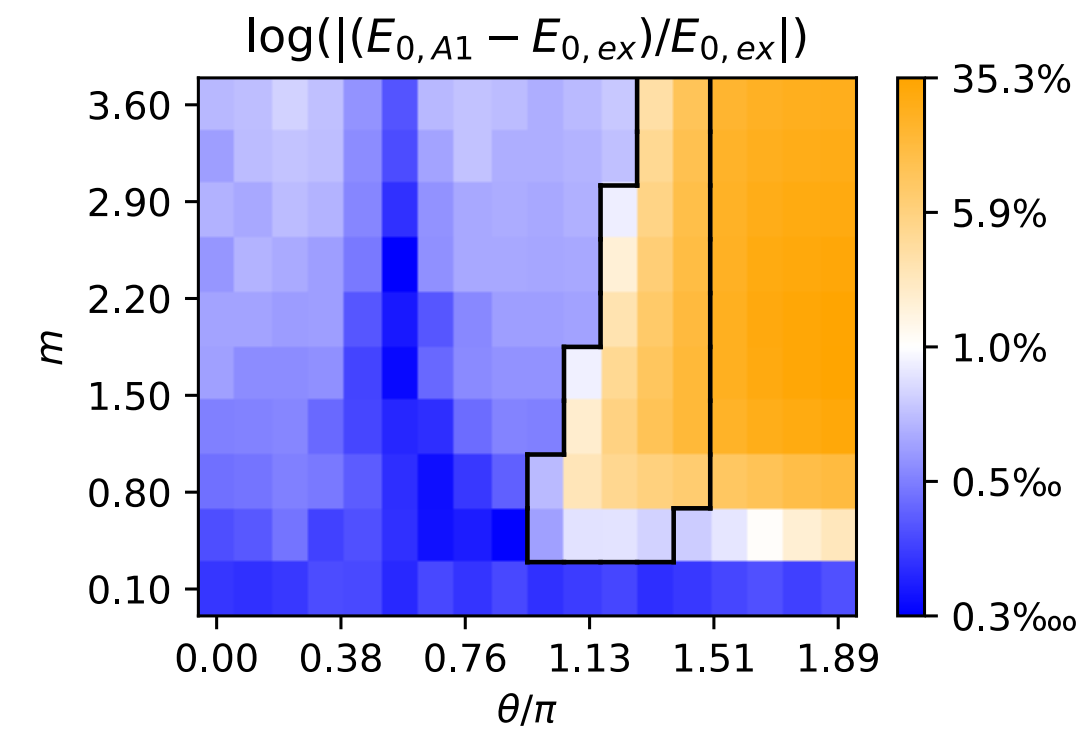
$$m(t) = m_0 \left(1 - \frac{t}{T} \right) + m \frac{t}{T}; \quad w(t) = w \frac{t}{T}; \quad \theta(t) = \theta \frac{t}{T}$$

- **Charge remains constant:**

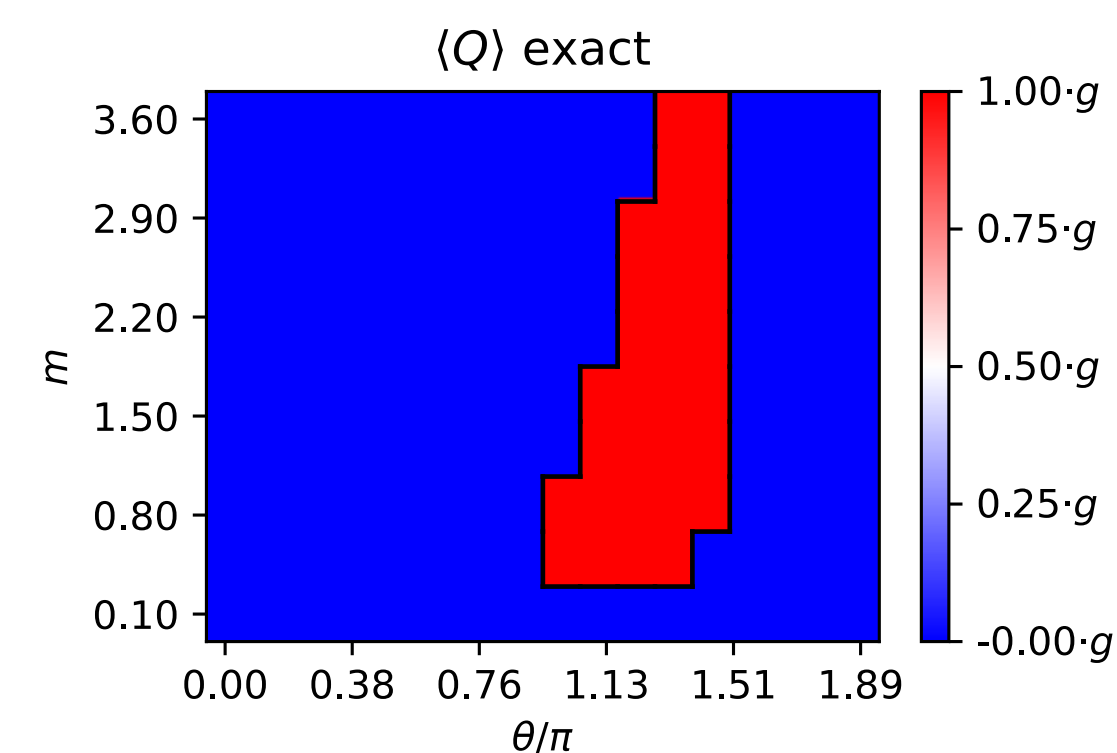
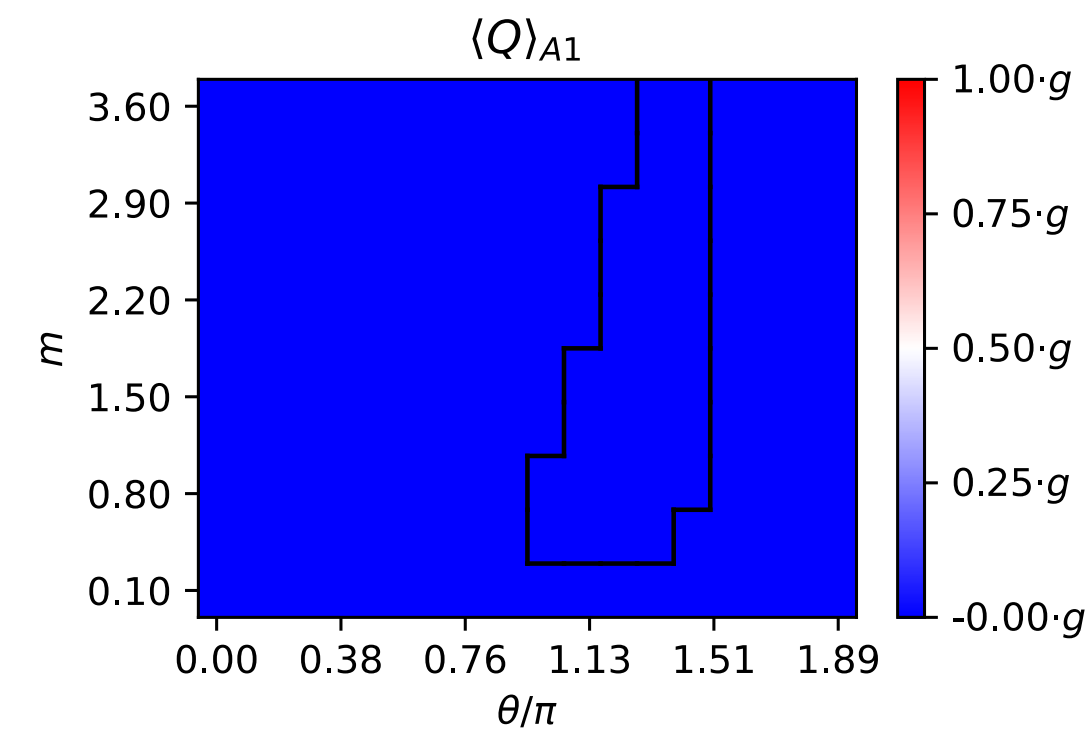
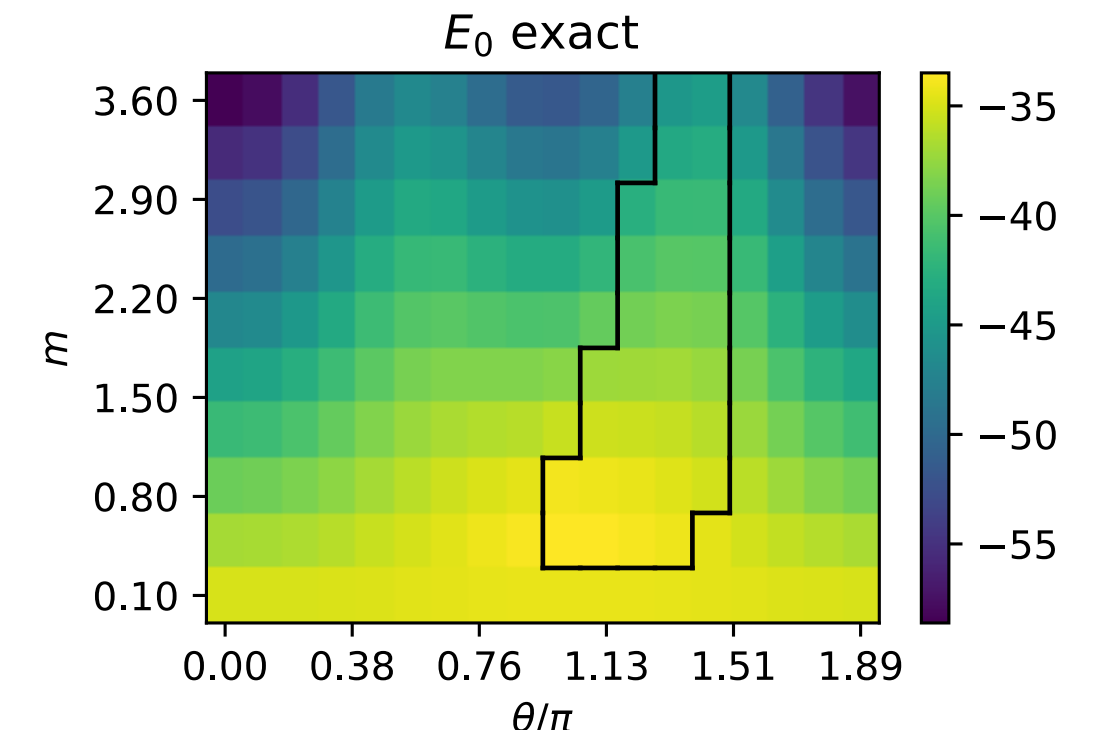
$$\rightarrow [Q, H_{A1}(t)] = 0, \forall t$$

- **Challenging to determine** the ground state for all (θ, m)

Fixed-Q ASP Algorithm:



Exact Diagonalization:



Adiabatic State Preparation (III)

- **Multi-Q algorithm:** arbitrary charge sector of H_{QED2}

$$H_{A2}(t) = \left(1 - \frac{t}{T}\right) \beta \sum_{n=1}^N f(n) X_n + \frac{t}{T} H_{QED2} \quad \text{for } f(n) \in \{-1, 1\}$$

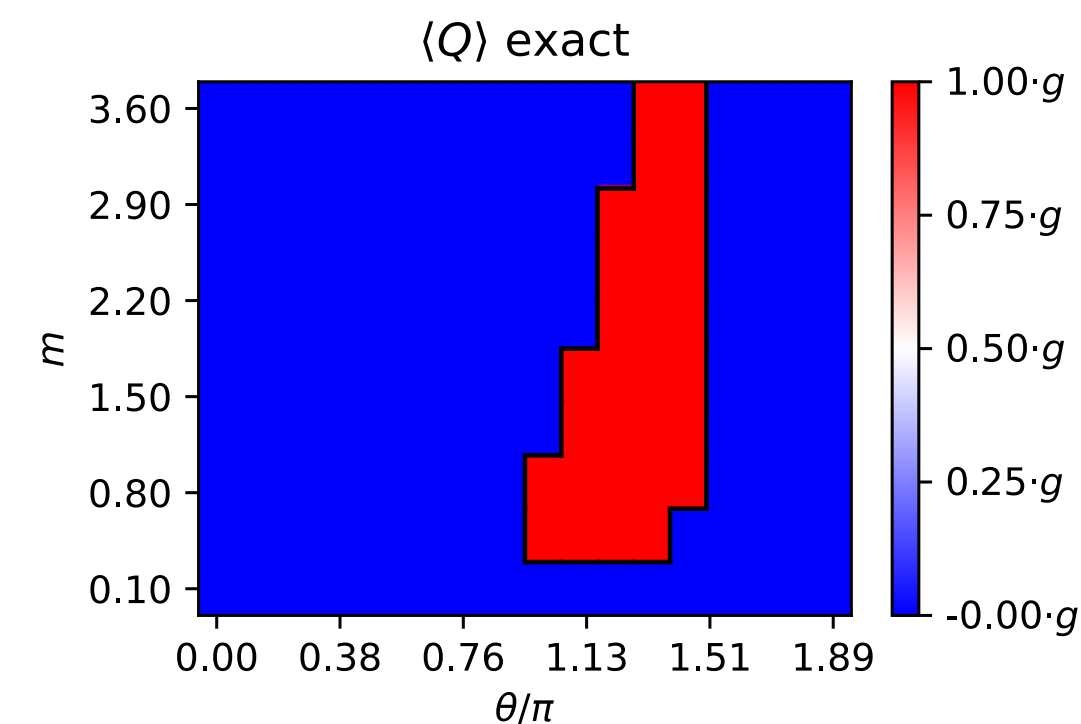
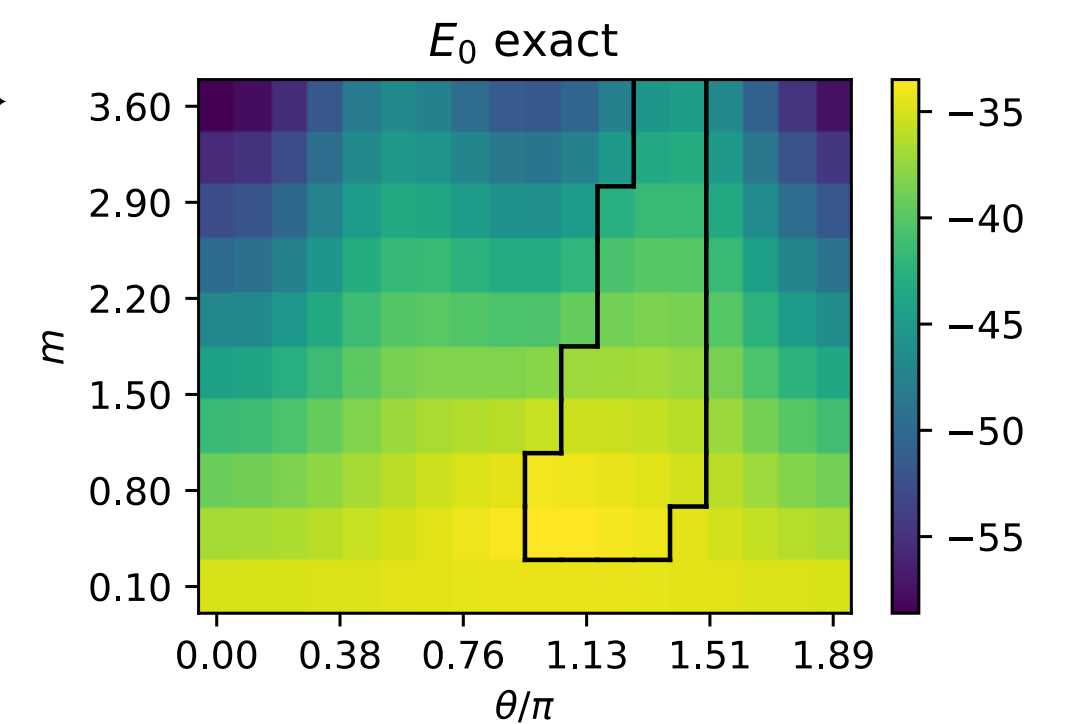
- **Several choices for $f(n)$ probed, best thus far:** $f(n) = (-1)^n$

→ $\beta \approx \frac{|E_0|}{N}$

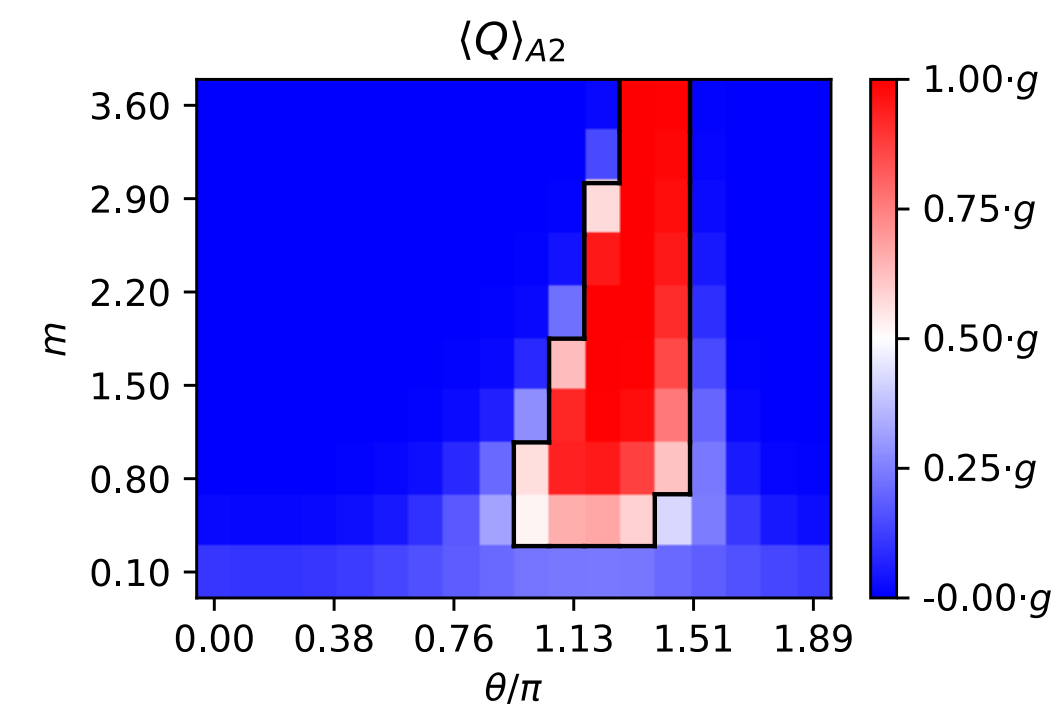
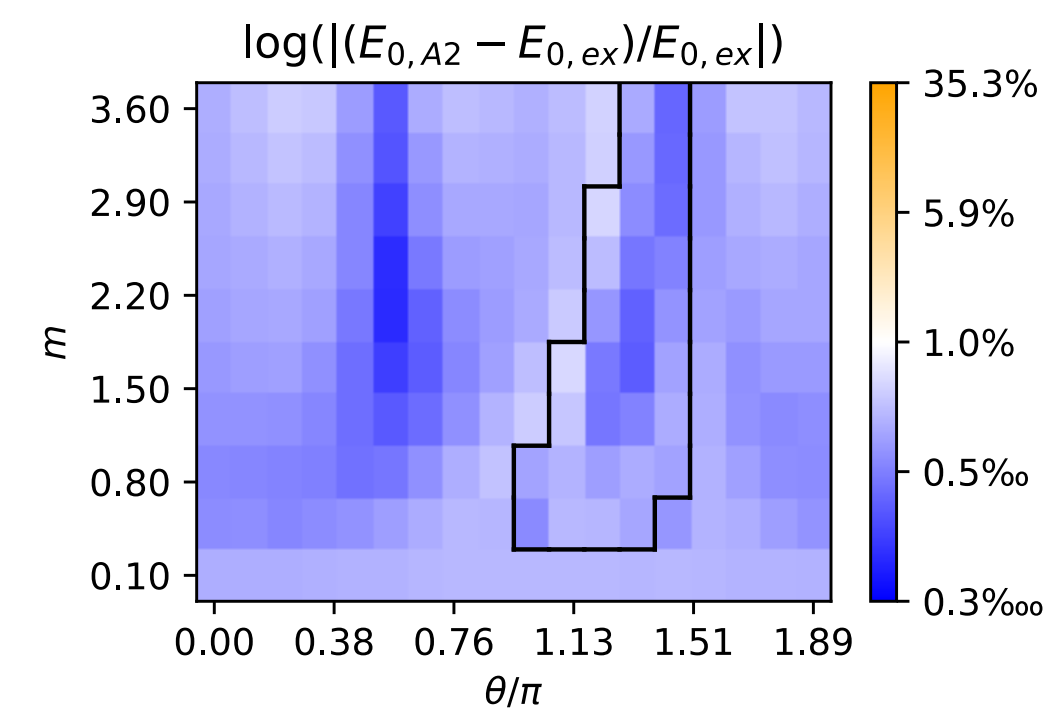
→ **Total charge no longer a symmetry of $H_{A2}(t)$**

→ **Ground state of $H_{A2}(0)$ mixes states within different charge sectors**

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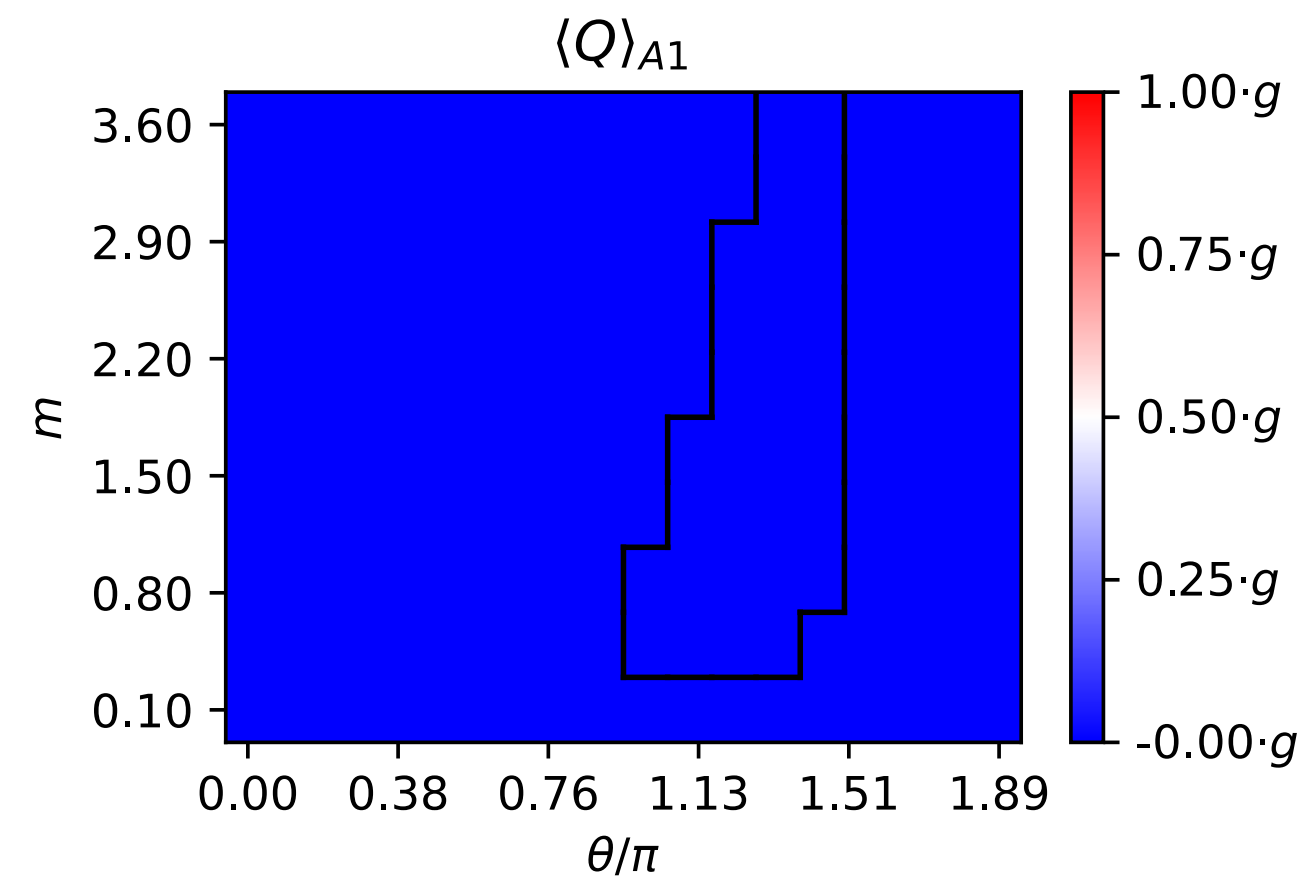
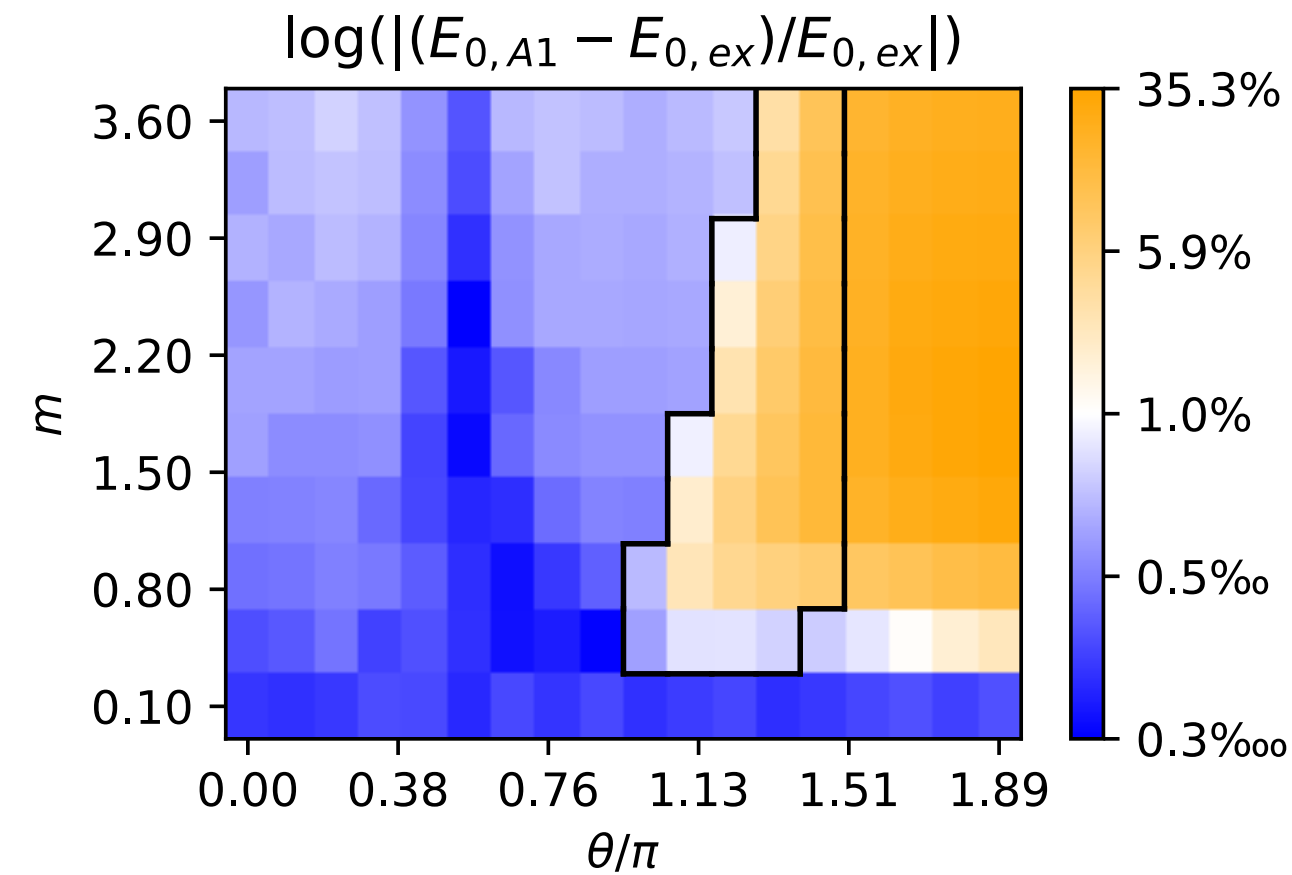


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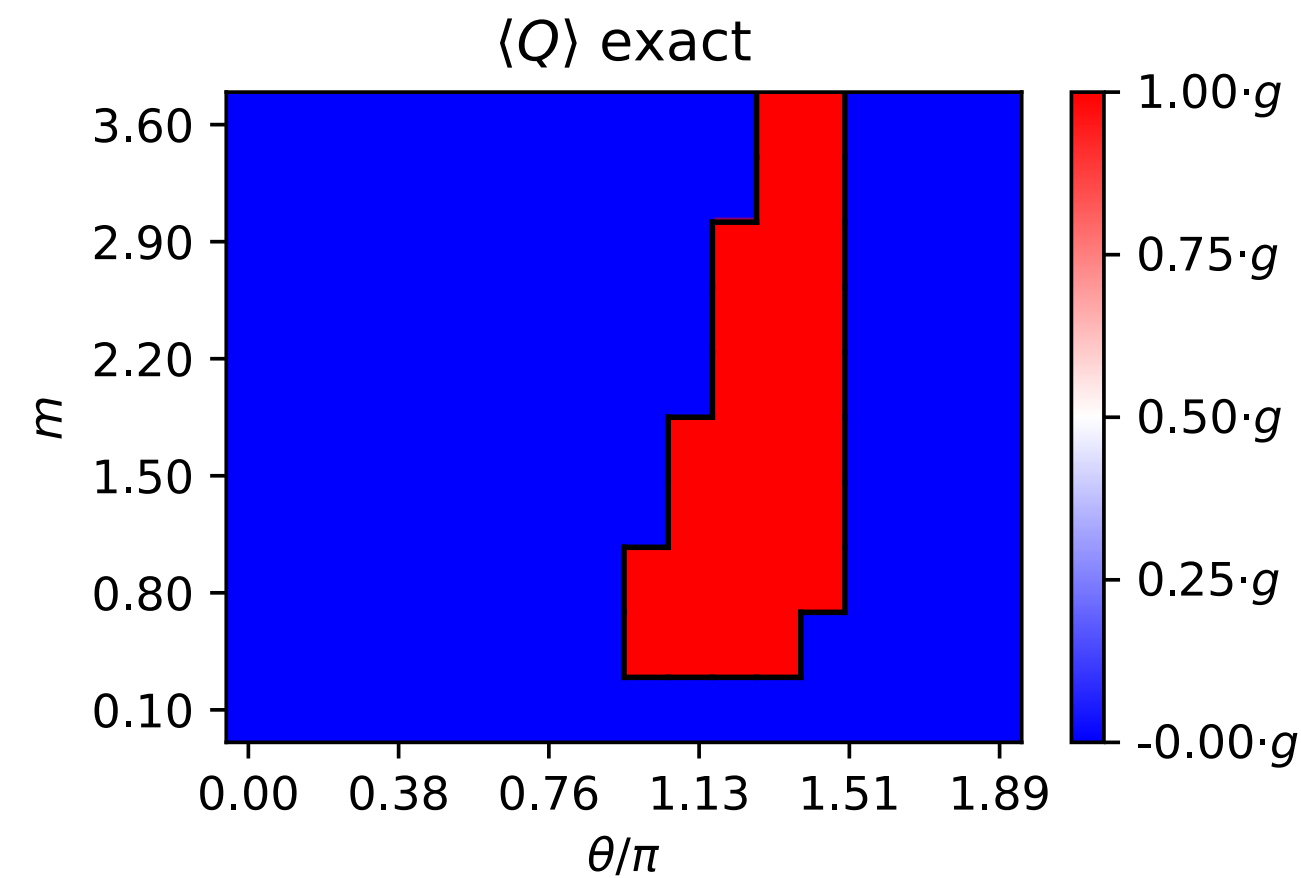
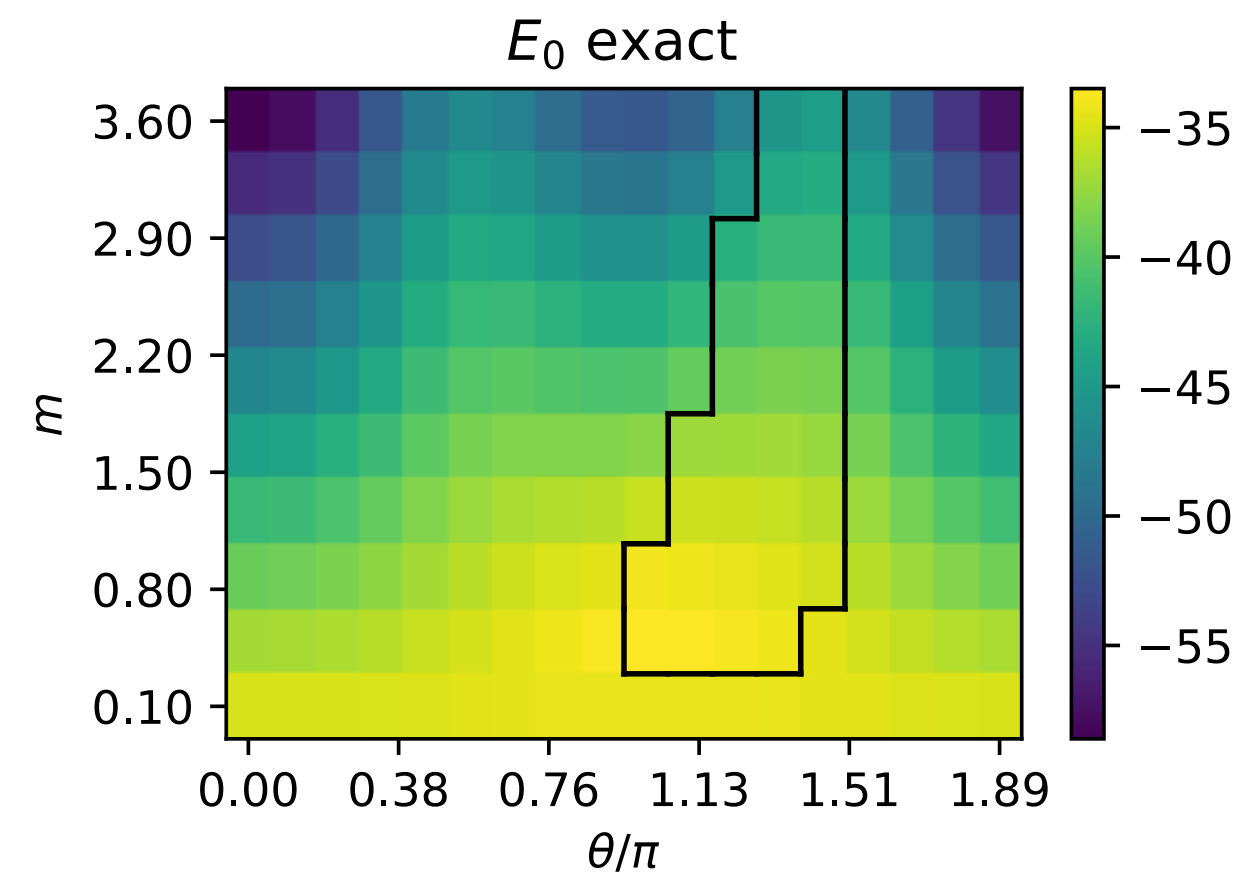


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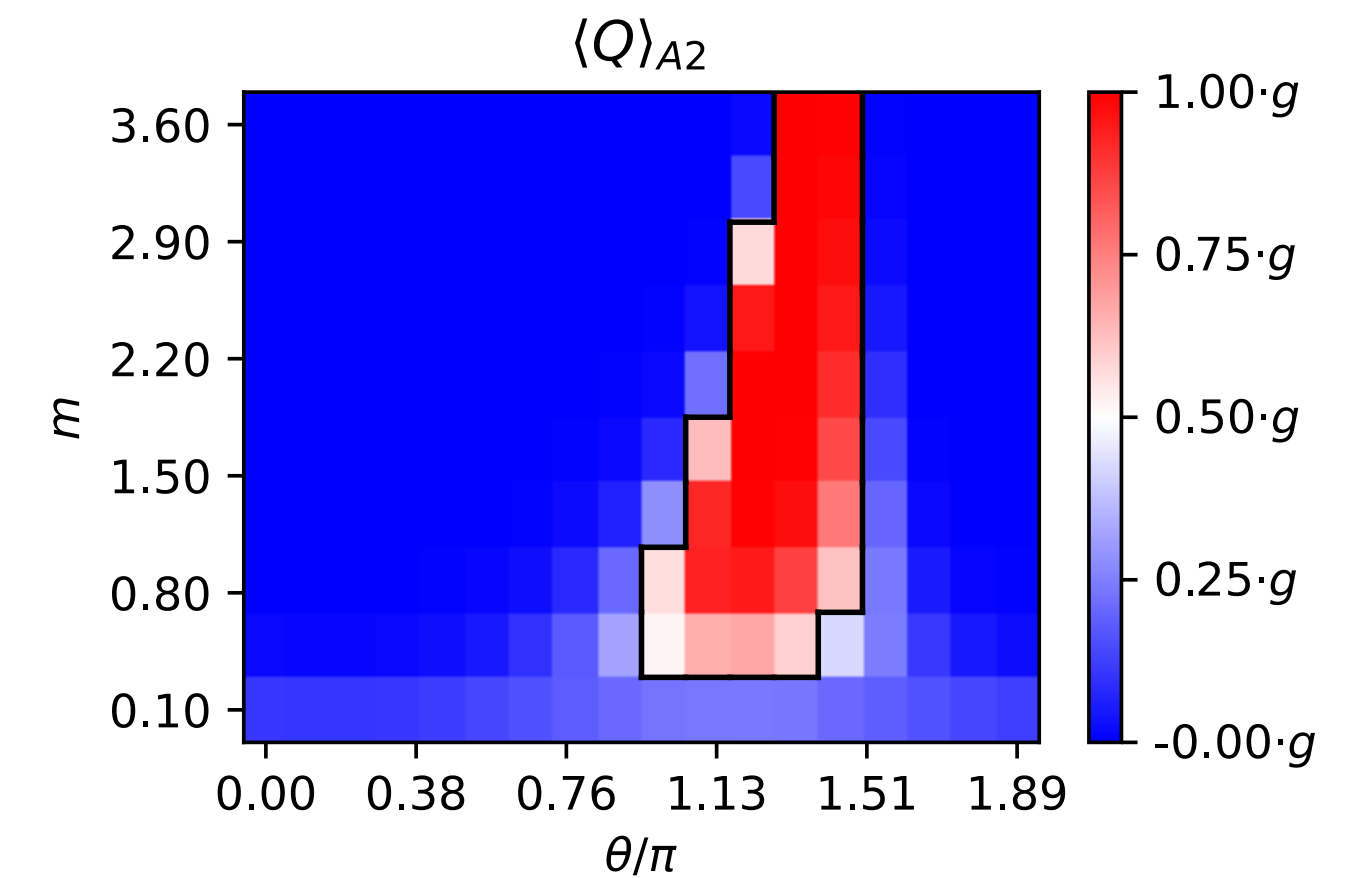
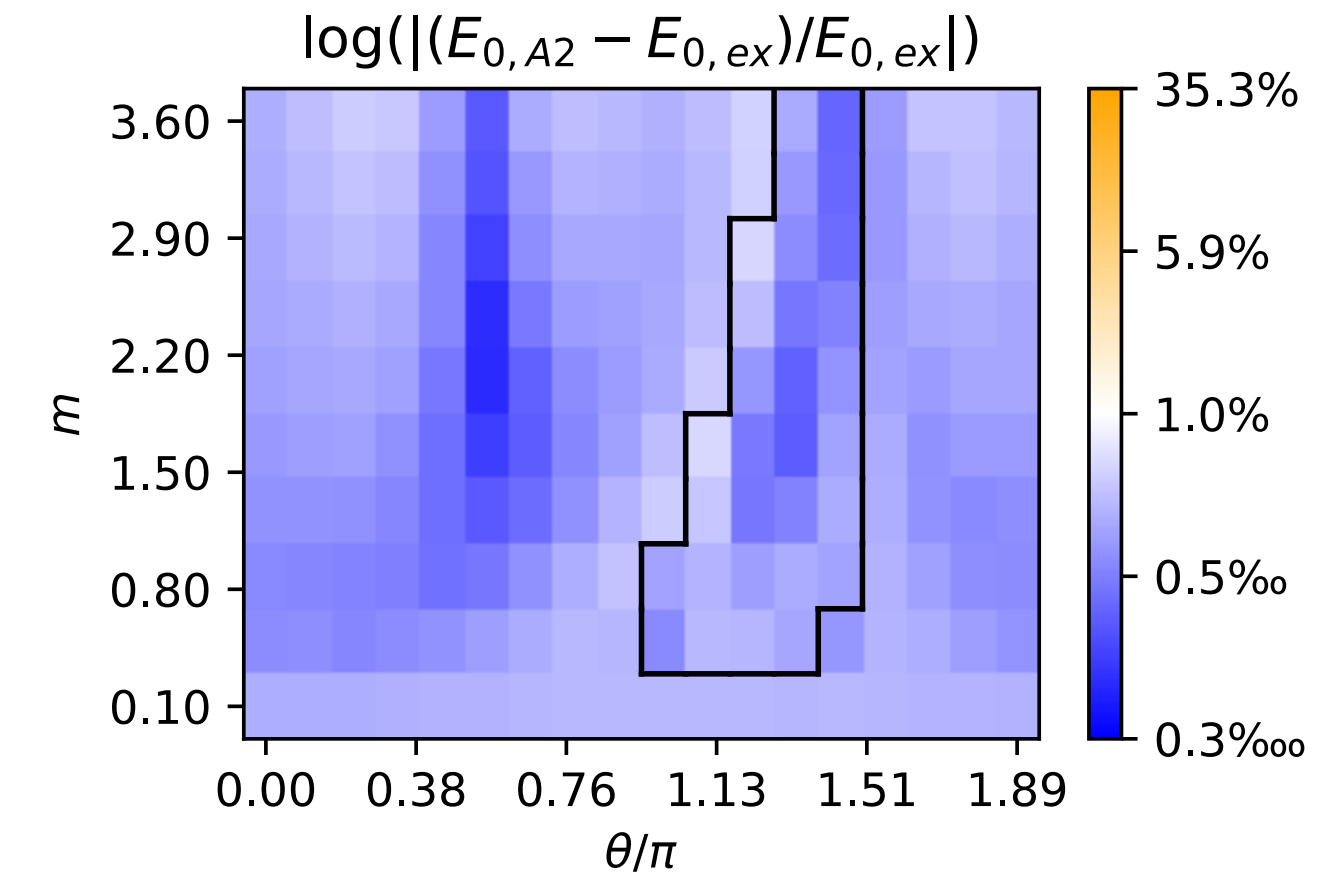
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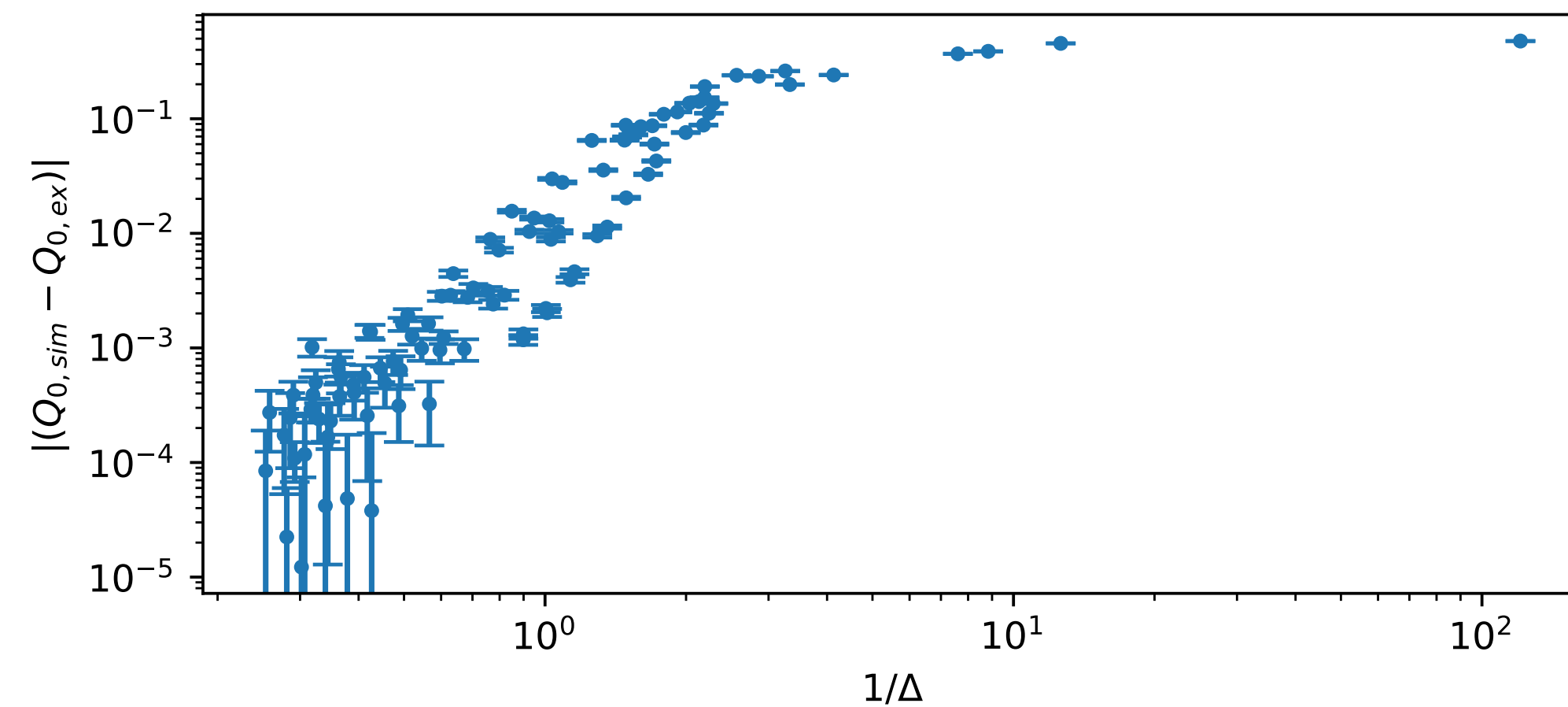
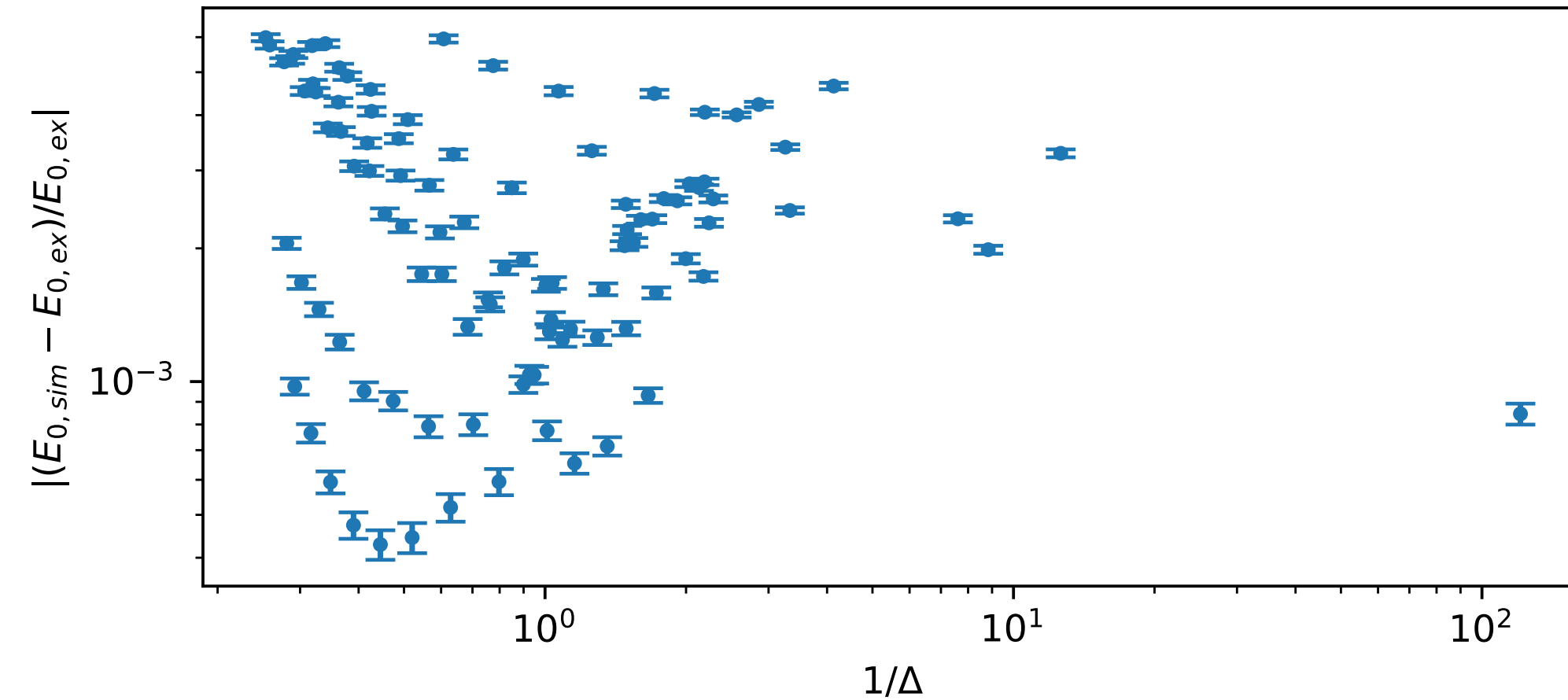
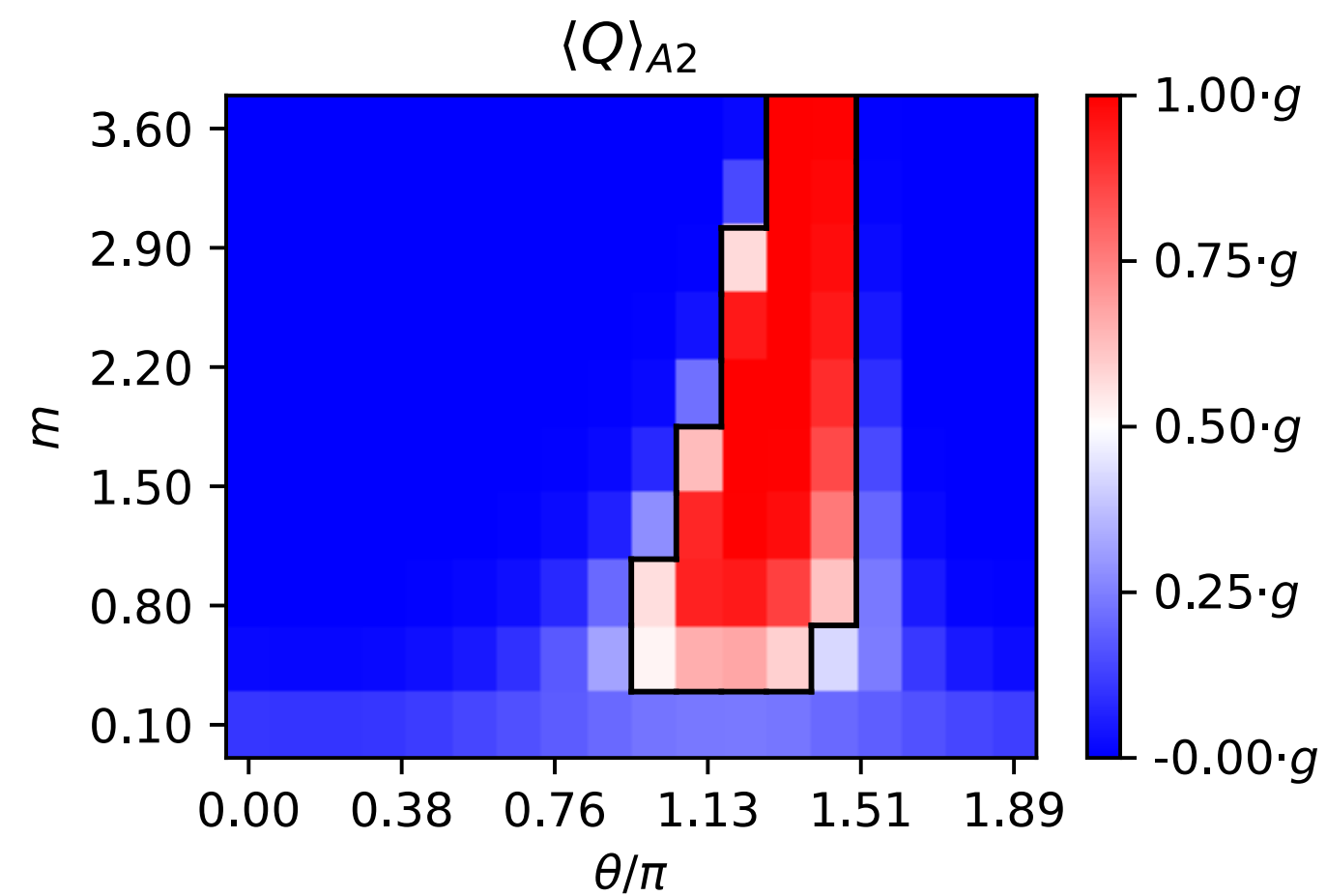
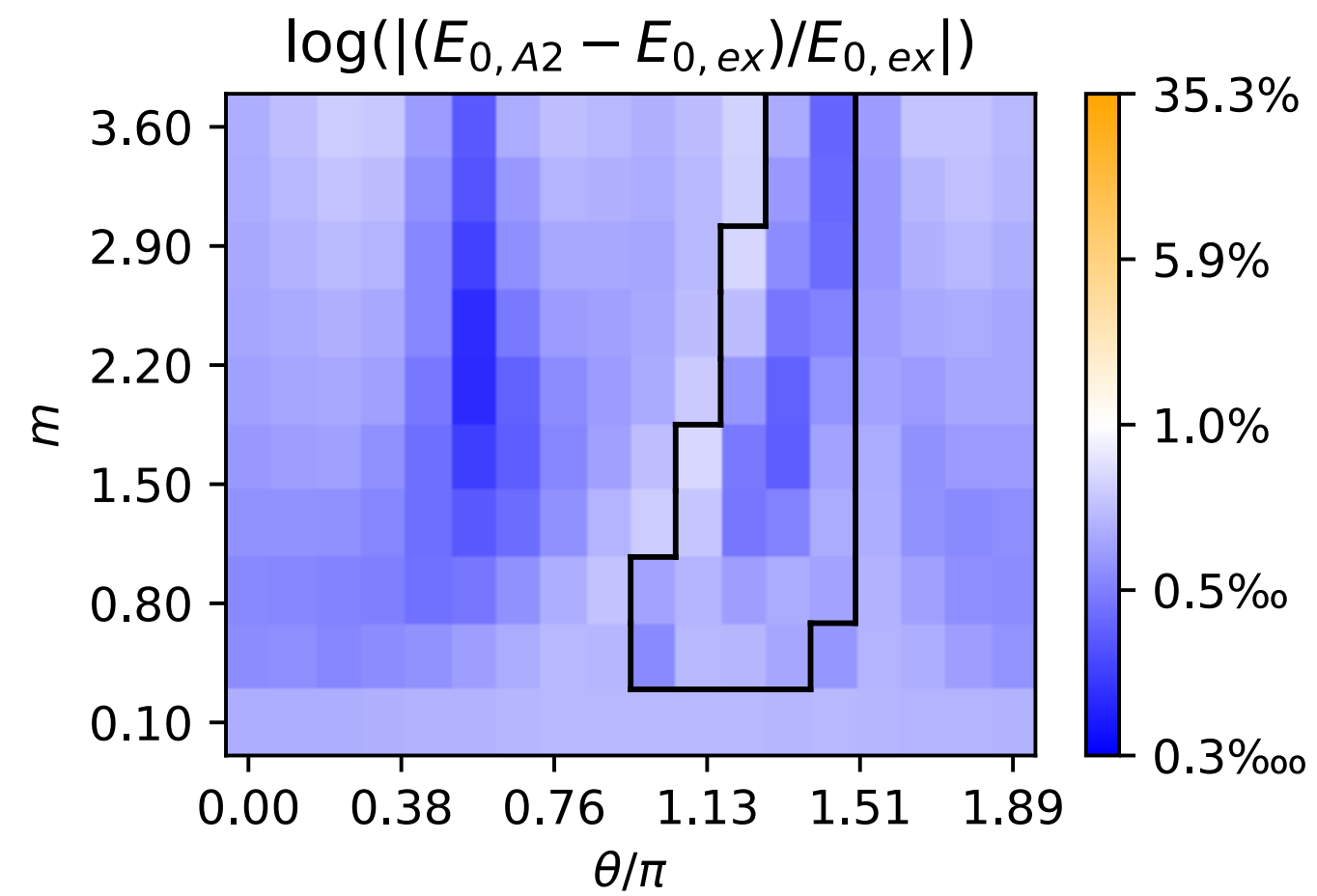


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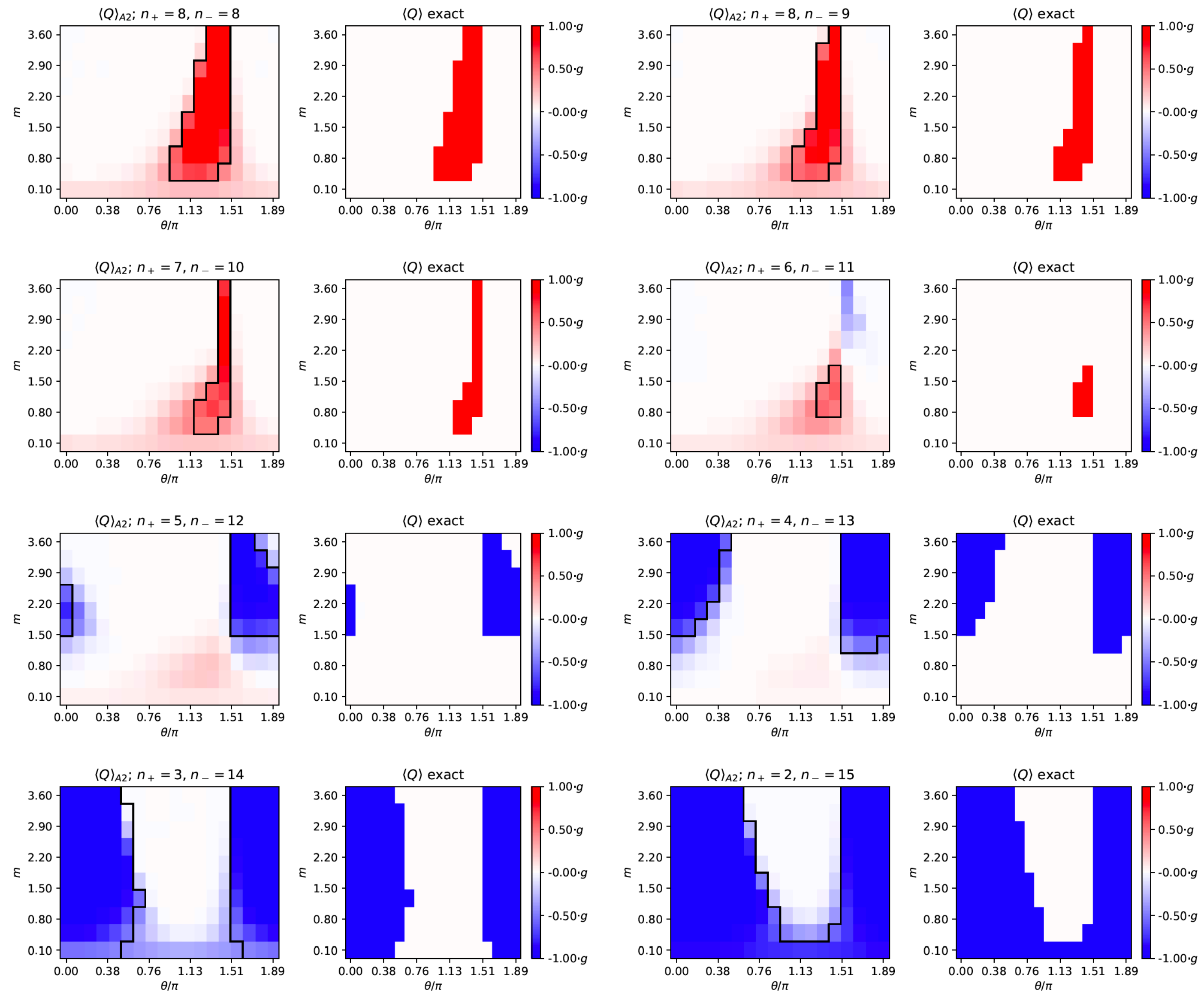
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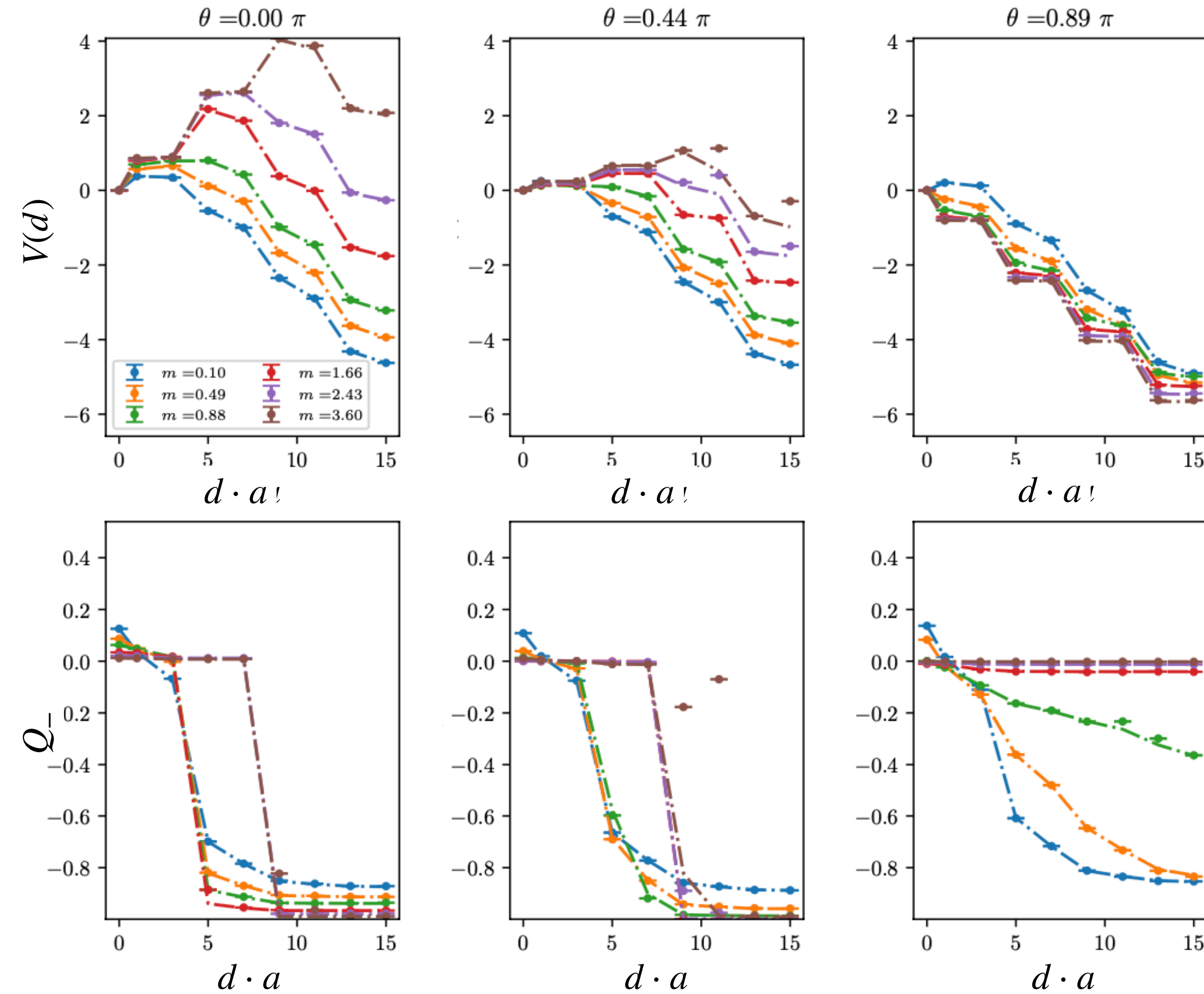


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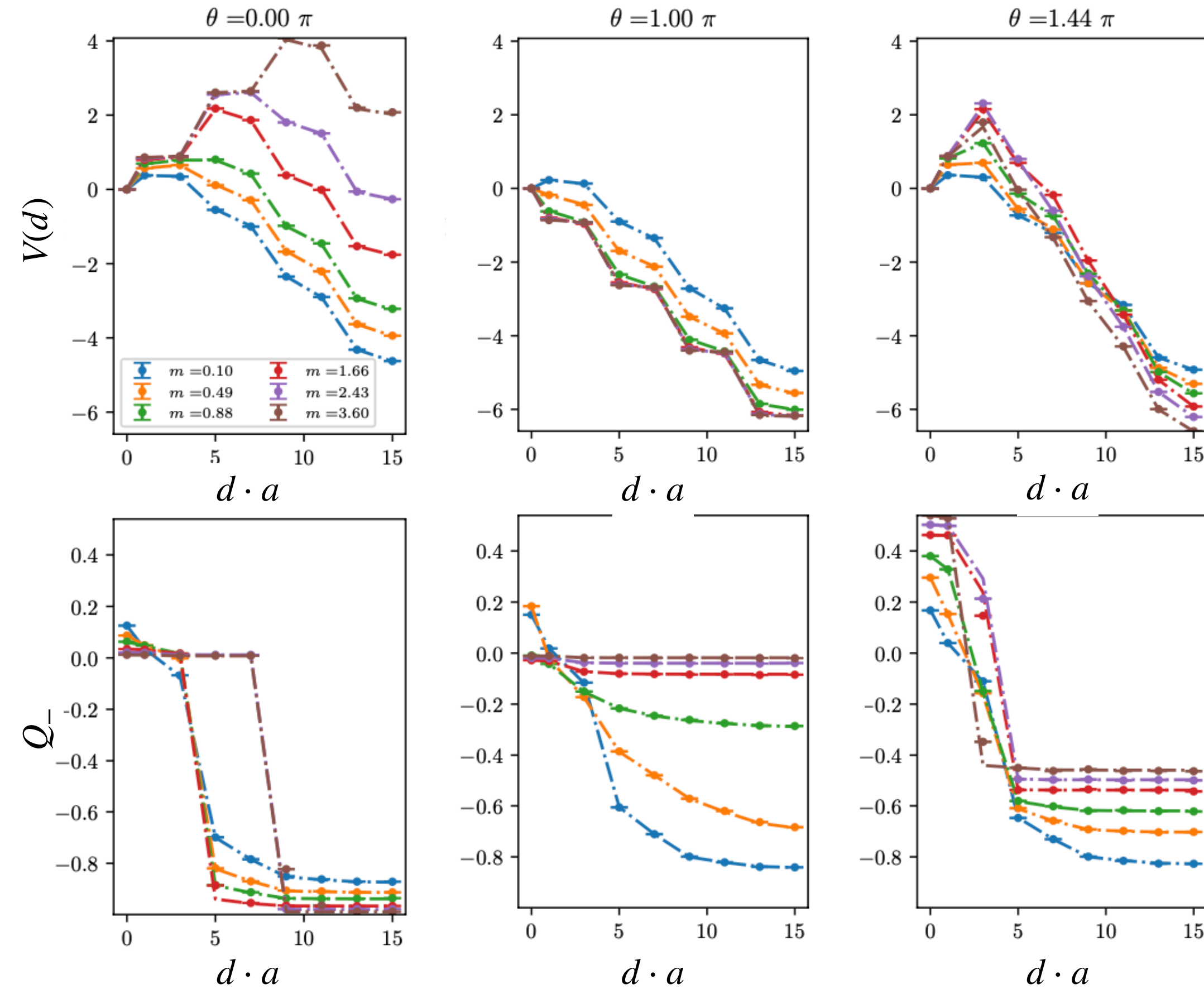


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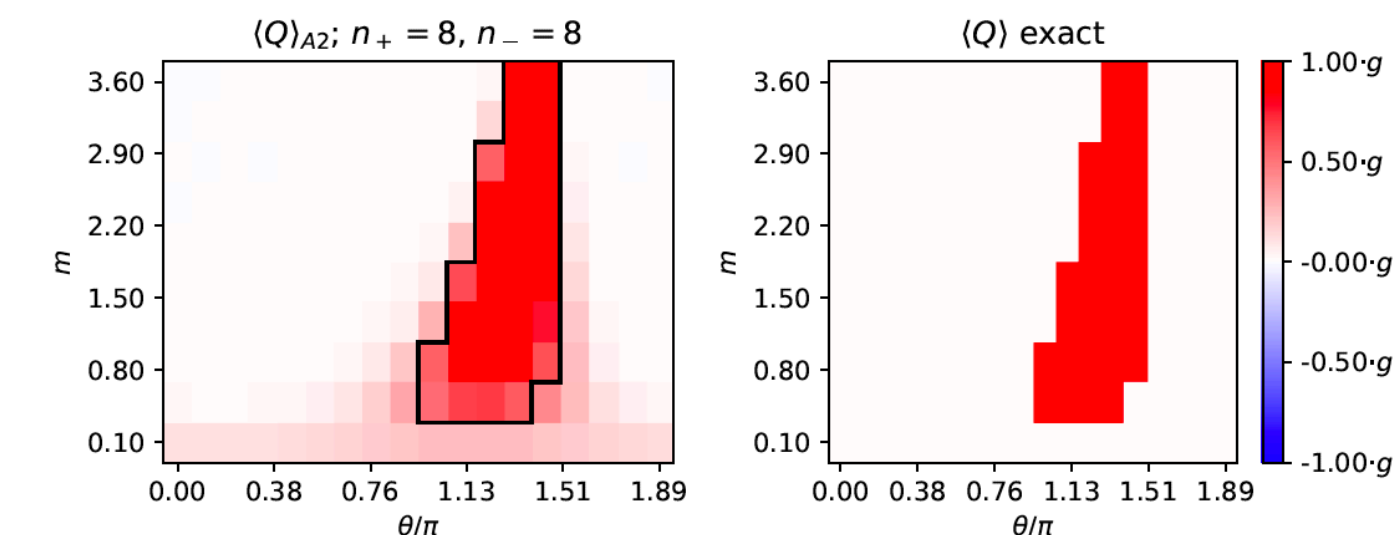
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