

Genuine quantum many-body interference in fock space: coherent backscattering and many-body spin echo

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Theory



Numerics¹



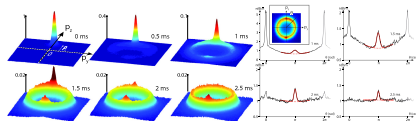
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¹ "He's done it all" [S. Wimberger]

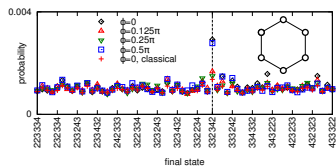
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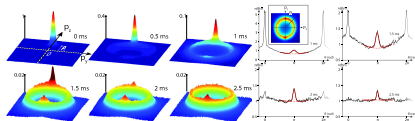
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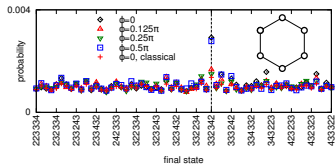
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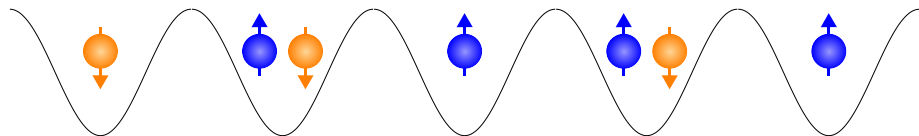
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What about Fermions?

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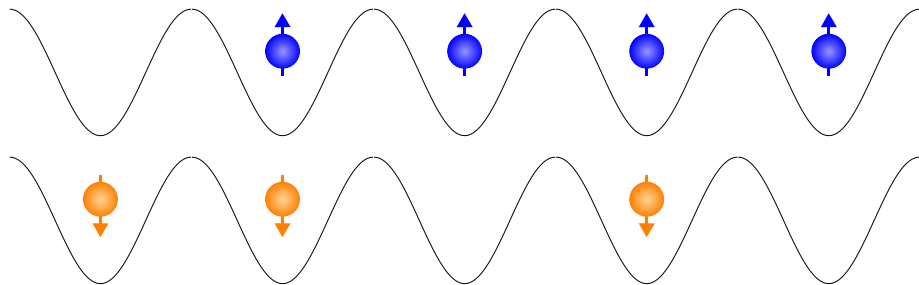


$$|\mathbf{n}\rangle = |0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0\rangle$$

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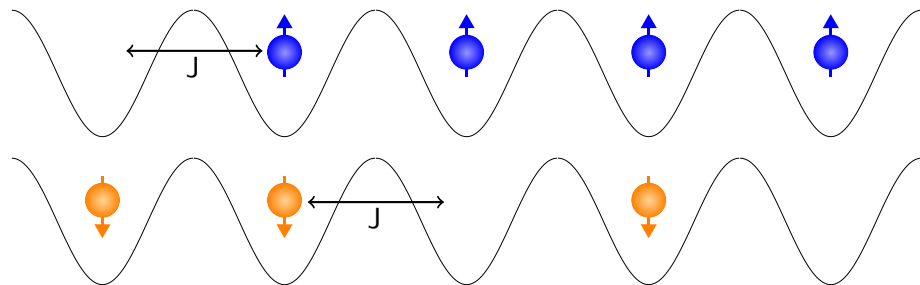
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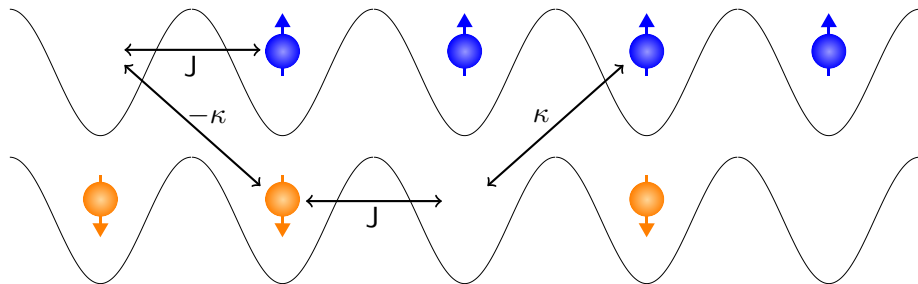
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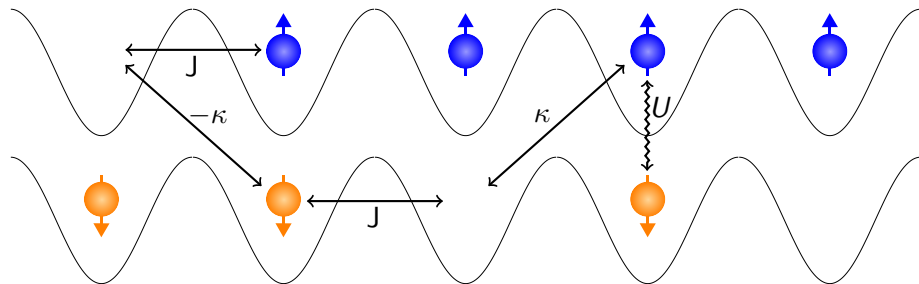
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$$\hat{c}_{j\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j\sigma} \rightarrow |\phi_{j\sigma}|^2$$

$$\hat{c}_{j\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j'\sigma'} \rightarrow \phi_{j\sigma}^* \phi_{j'\sigma'} \exp\left(-|\phi_{j\sigma}|^2 - |\phi_{j'\sigma'}|^2\right) \prod_{(k, \sigma'')=(j, \sigma)}^{(j', \sigma')} \left(1 - 2|\phi_{k\sigma''}|^2\right)$$

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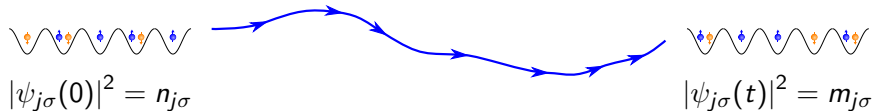
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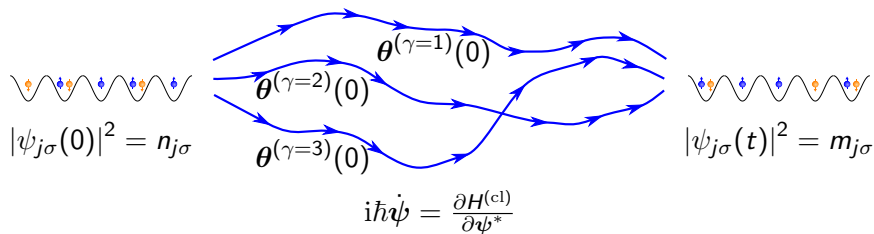
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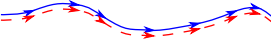
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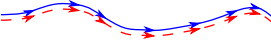
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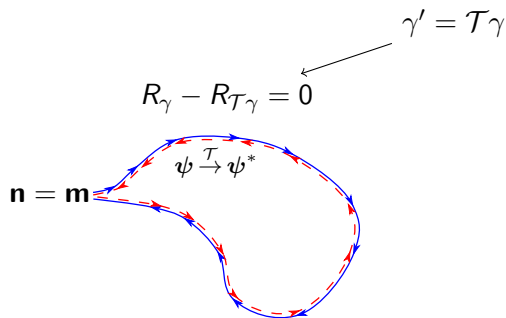
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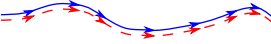
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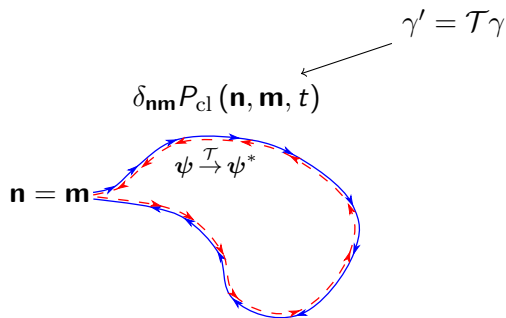
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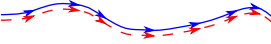
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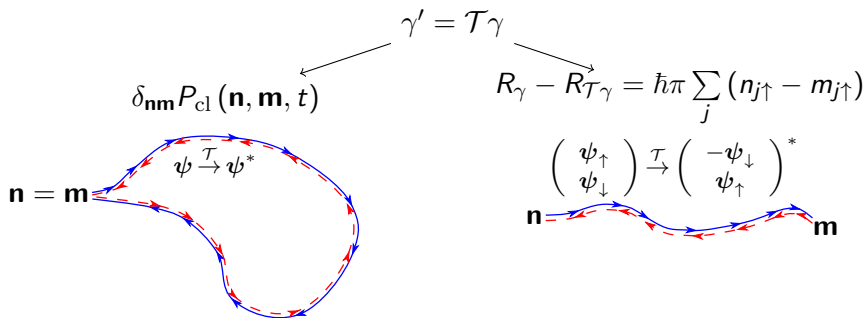
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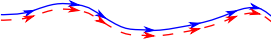
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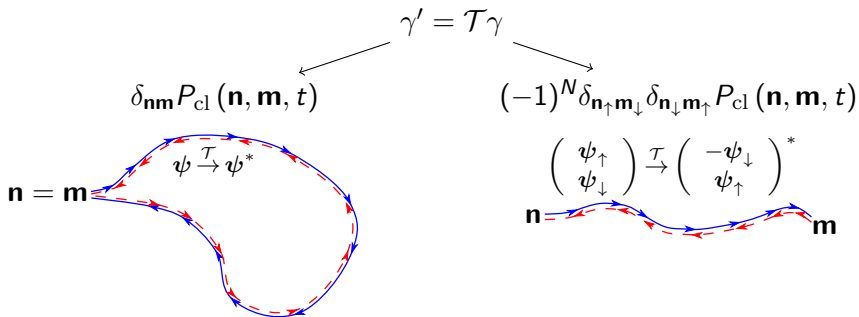
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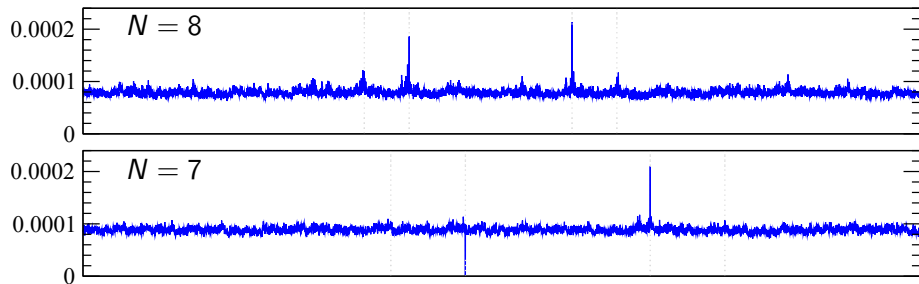
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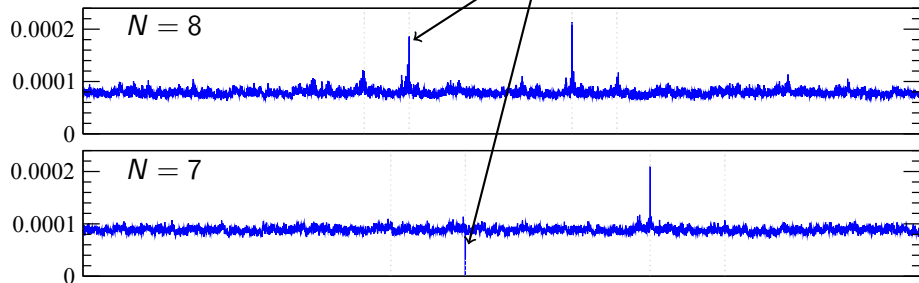
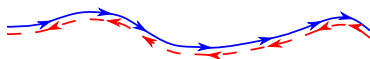
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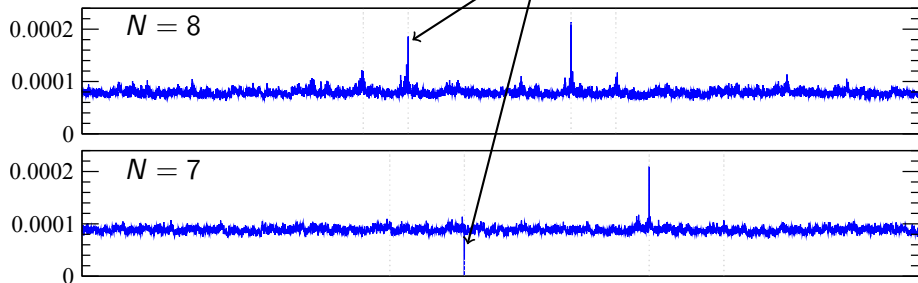
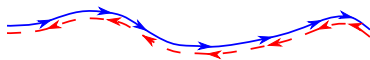
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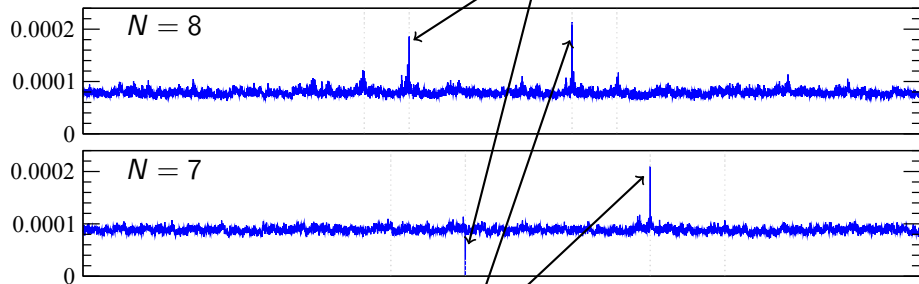
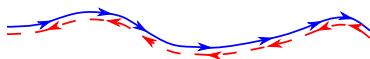


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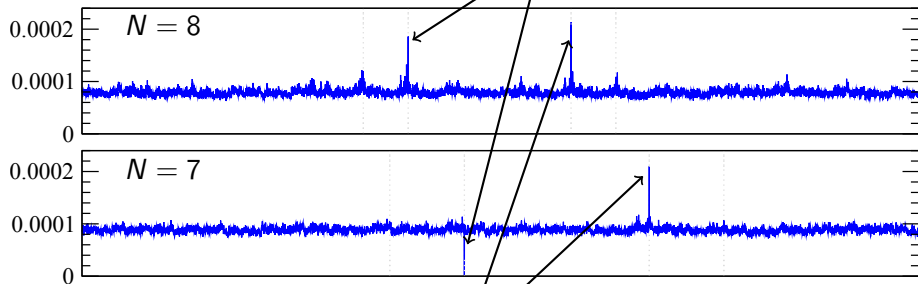
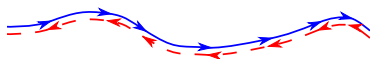
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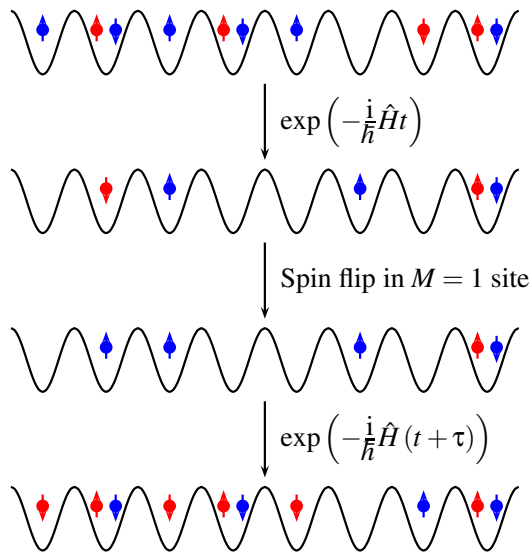
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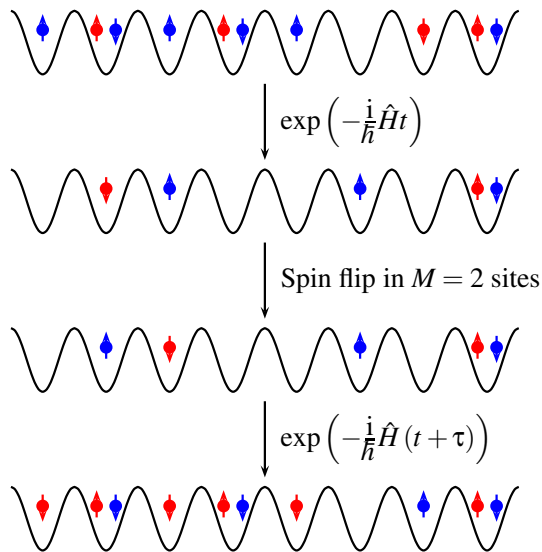
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Every discrete (antiunitary) symmetry gives another peak/dip!

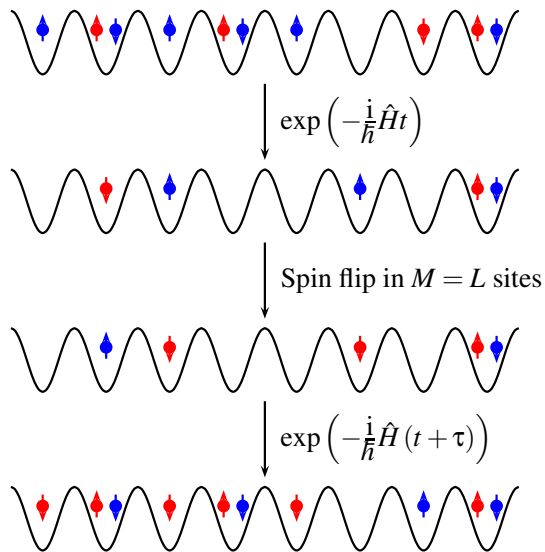
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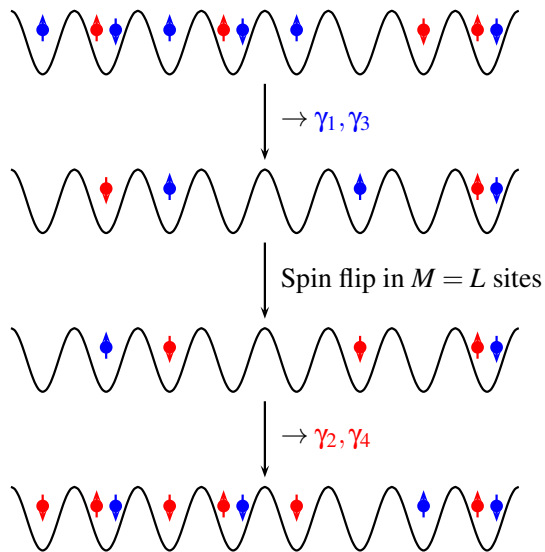
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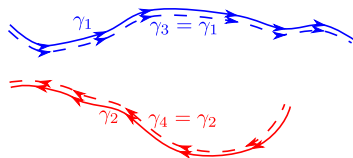
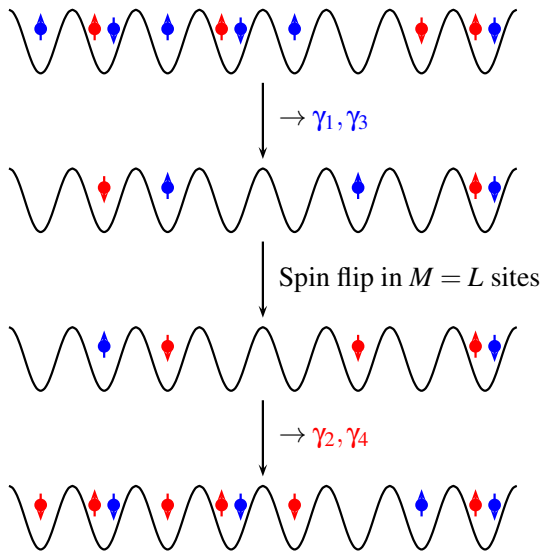
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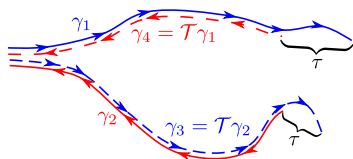
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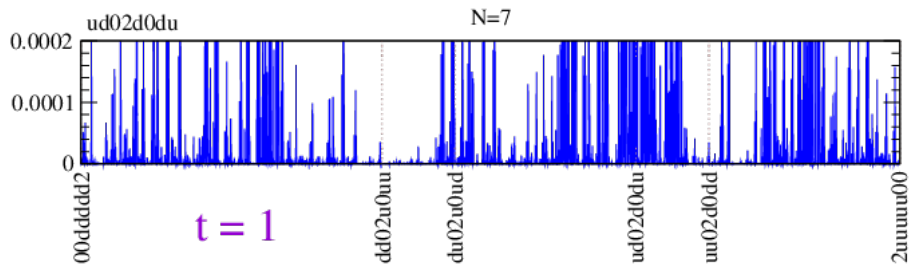
$$P^{(cl)}(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}; t, \tau)$$



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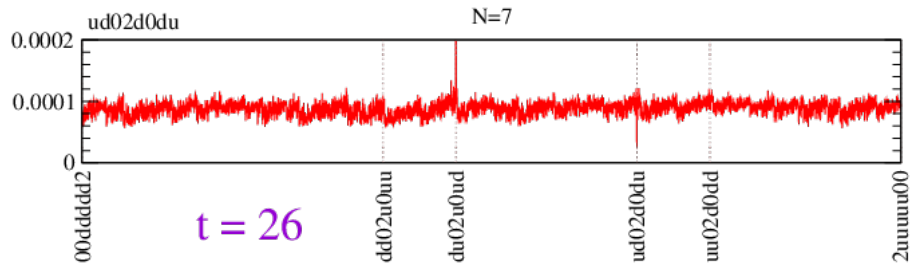
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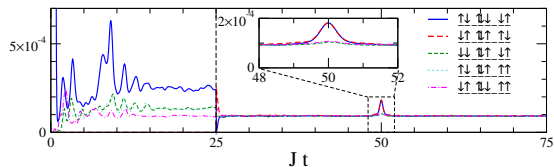
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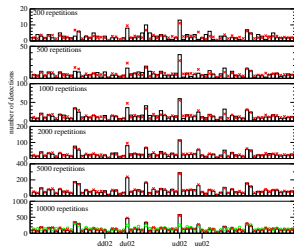
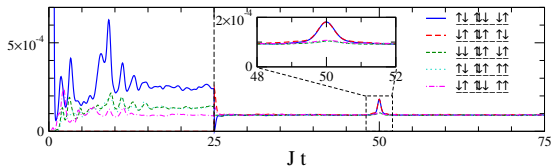
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$$\frac{P^{\text{MBSE}}(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}; t, \tau)}{P^{\text{(cl)}}(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}; t, \tau)} \approx 1 + \begin{cases} c_T(L, N, M) f(\tau) & \tau \sim 0, \mathbf{n} = T\mathbf{m} \\ c_{\text{id}}(L, N, M; \varphi) f(\tau) & \tau \sim 0, \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{m} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\varphi = \arg(\kappa)$$

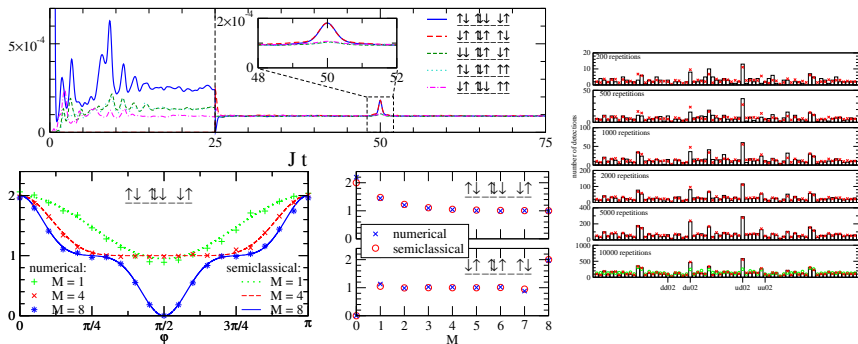
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