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## ICTP Prize, 1983

for important contributions to the theory of antiferromagnetic insulators, phase transitions in condensed matter and lattice gauge theories.

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(Needs higgsing to discrete gauge symmetry or quantum criticality  
for deconfinement in 2+1 dimensions - N. Read, S.S. 1989,90)



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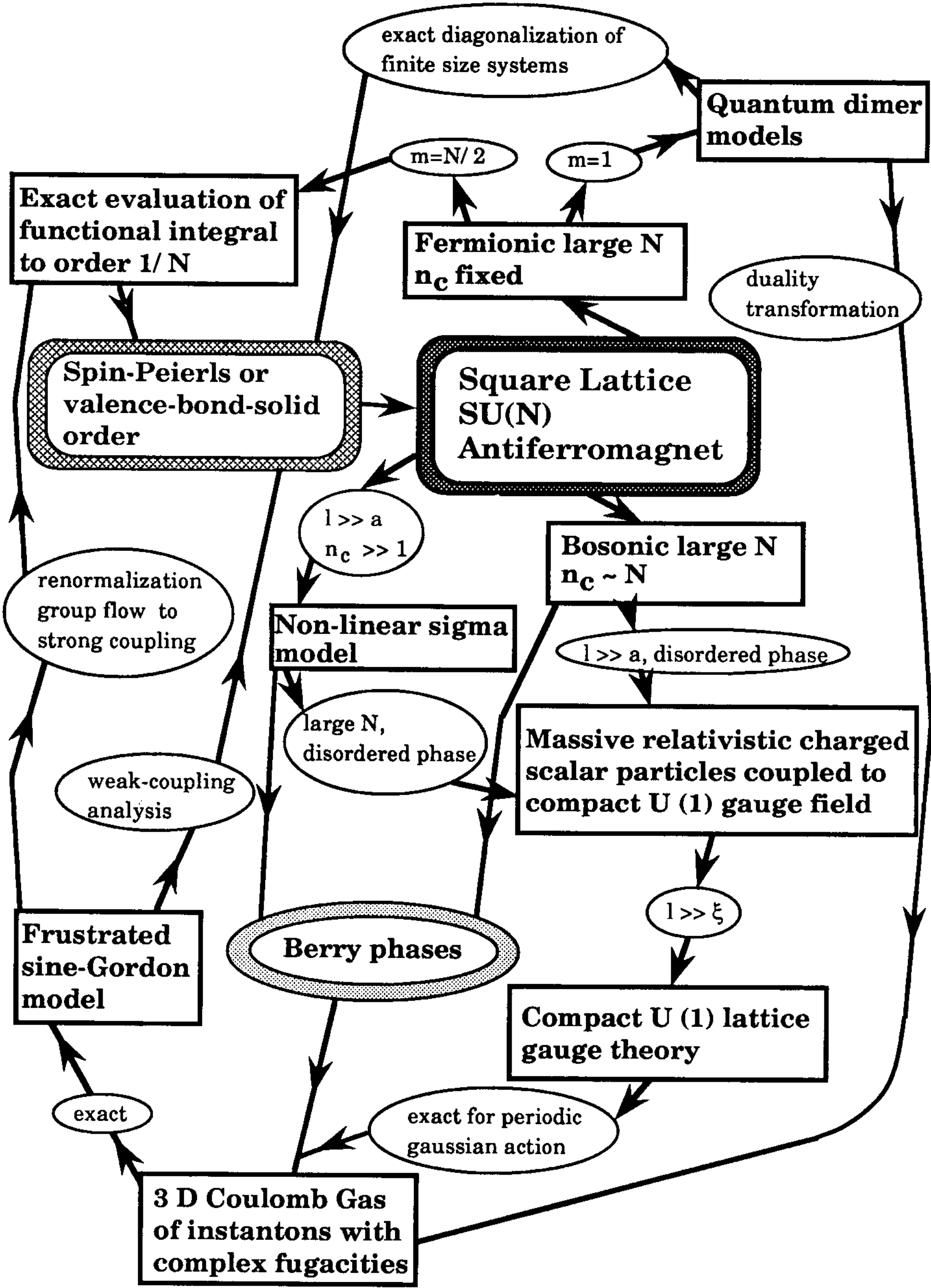


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S. Sachdev, Fig 9



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