

Understanding Quantum Annealing using projective Monte Carlo algorithms

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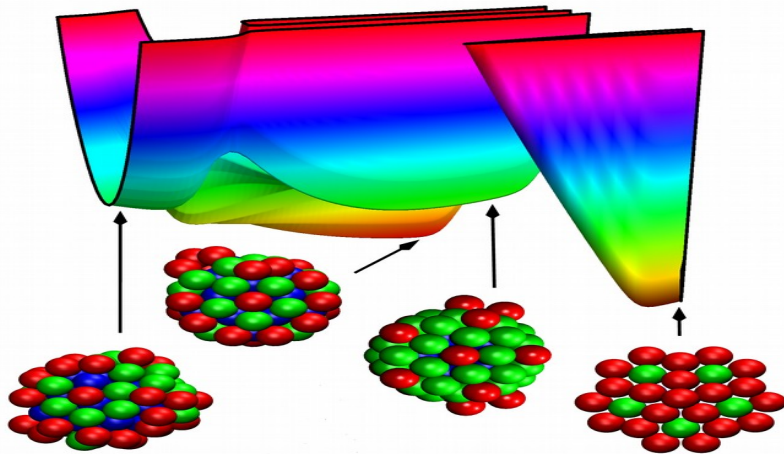


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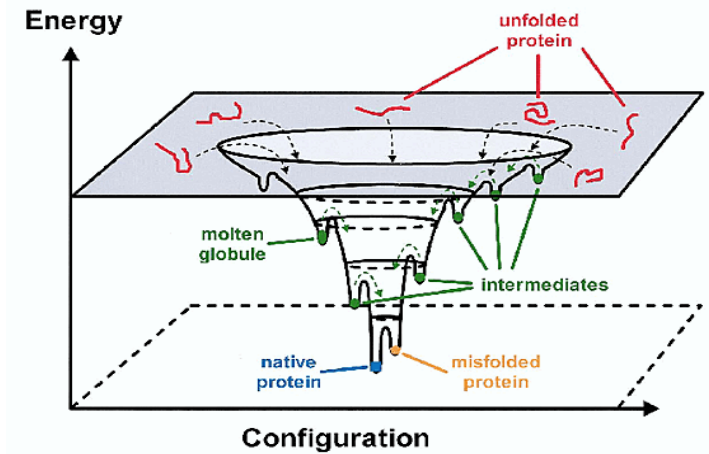


Optimization Problems

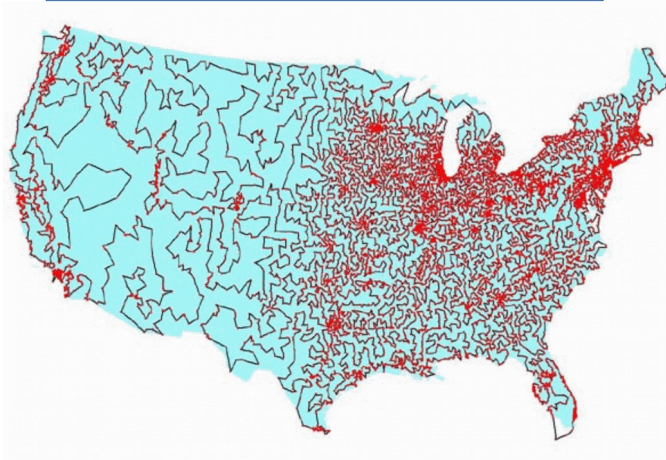
Lennard-Jones Clusters



Protein Folding

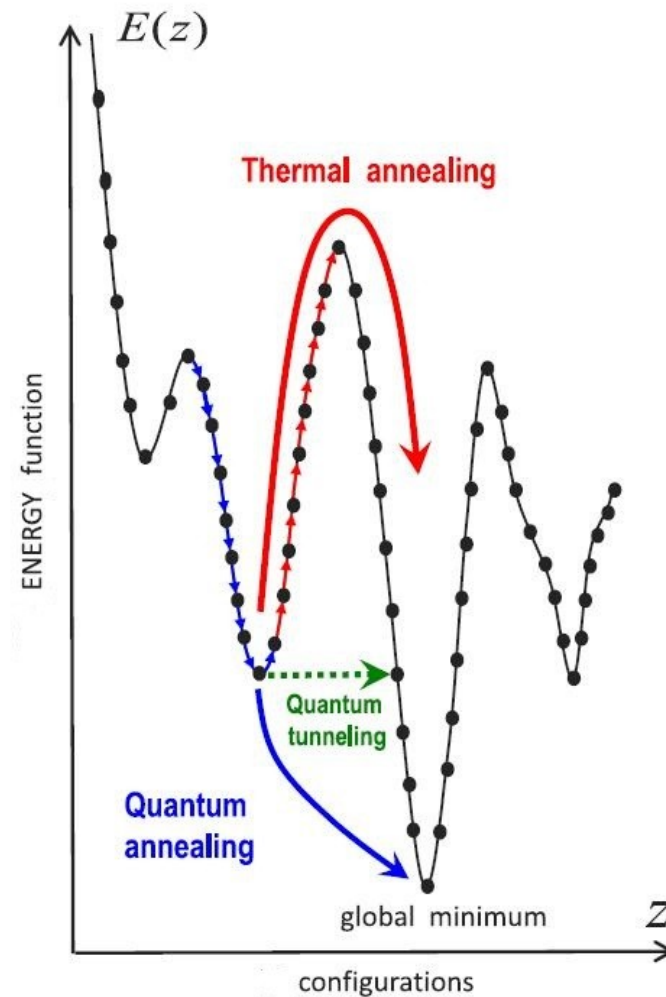
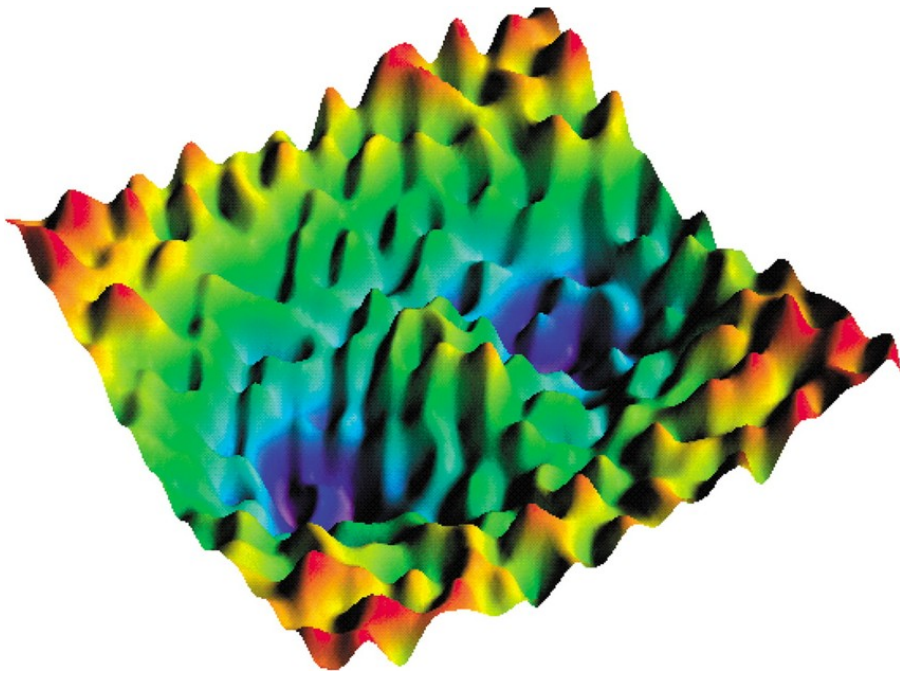


Traveling salesman



Etc ...

Simulated Classical Annealing Vs Quantum Annealing



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Quadratic unconstrained binary optimization (QUBO) problems



$$H_{cl} = -\sum J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - \sum h_i \sigma_i^z$$

Finding the ground state of H_{cl} is a very hard problem

Trick:

- Introduce $H_{kin} = -\Gamma(t) \sum_i \sigma_i^x$
- At $t=0$, $\Gamma \gg J_{ij}, h_i$
- At $t=t_f$, $\Gamma = 0$

How slow? Adiabatic theorem

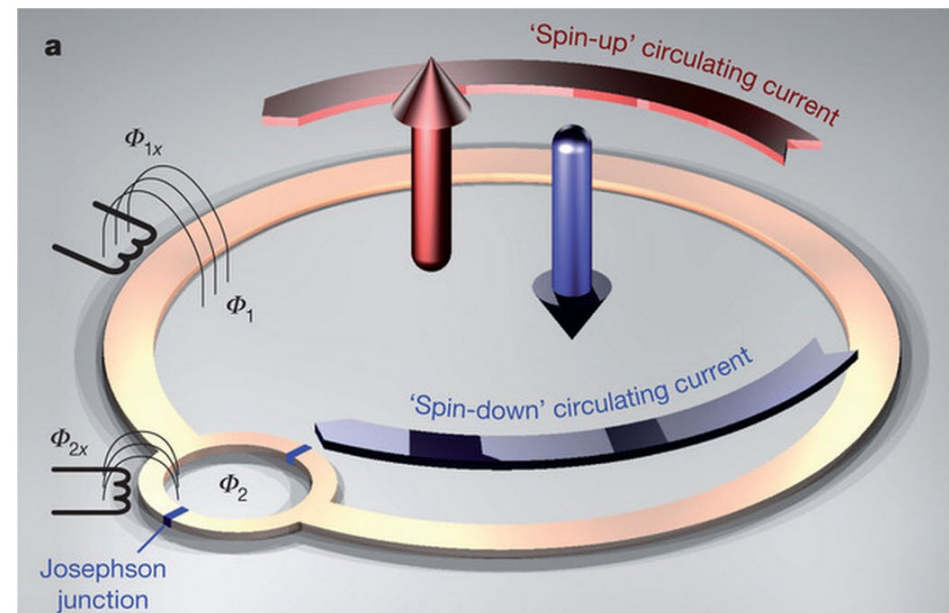
$$t_f \gg \frac{\alpha}{\Delta_m^2}$$

QA with an annealer

$$H_{cl} = - \sum J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

$$H_{kin} = -\Gamma(t) \sum_i \sigma_i^x$$

$$\Gamma(t) = \Gamma_o \left(1 - \frac{t}{t_f}\right)$$



Simulated QA with QMC

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Quantum annealing by the path-integral Monte Carlo method: The two-dimensional random Ising model

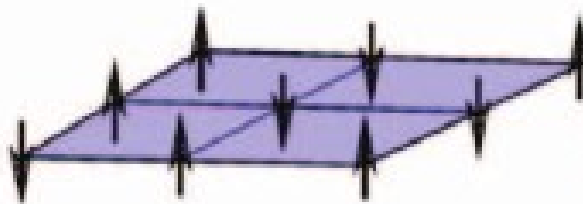
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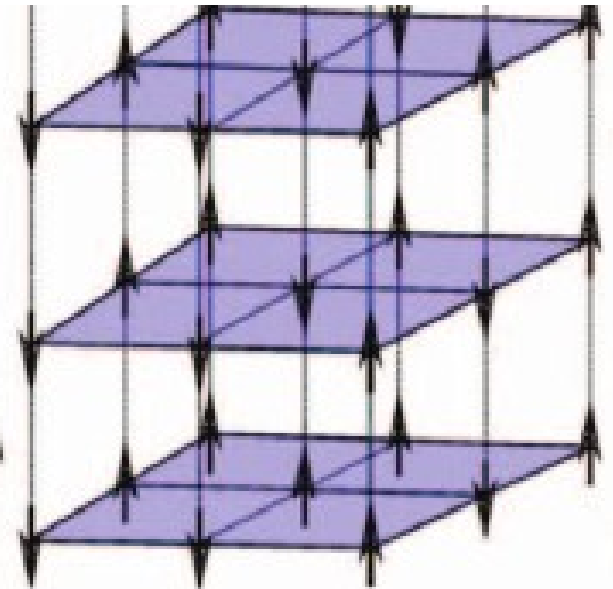
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Theory of Quantum Annealing of an Ising Spin Glass

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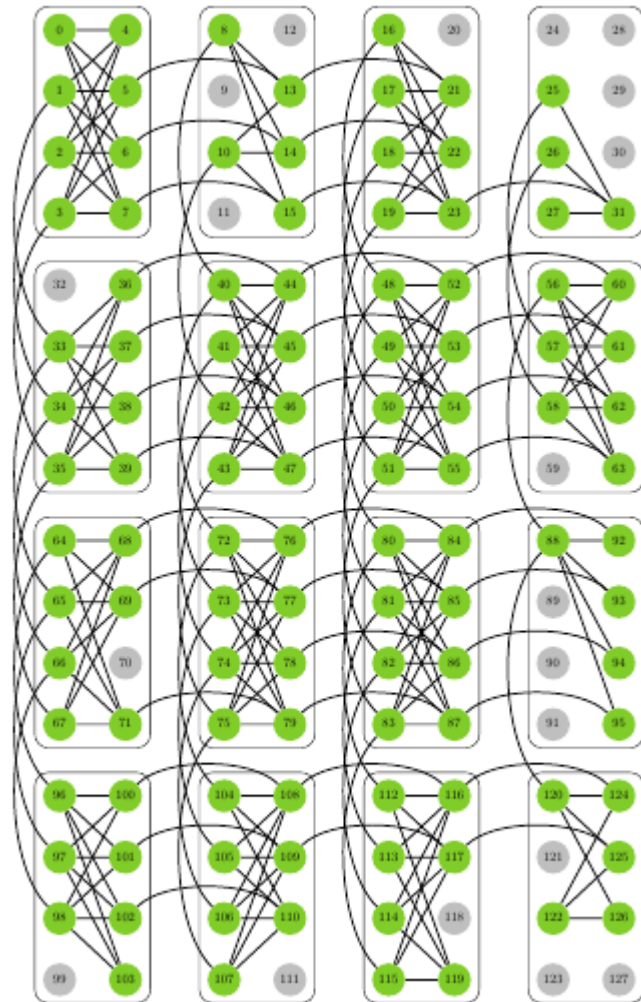
Path Integral Monte Carlo (PIMC)

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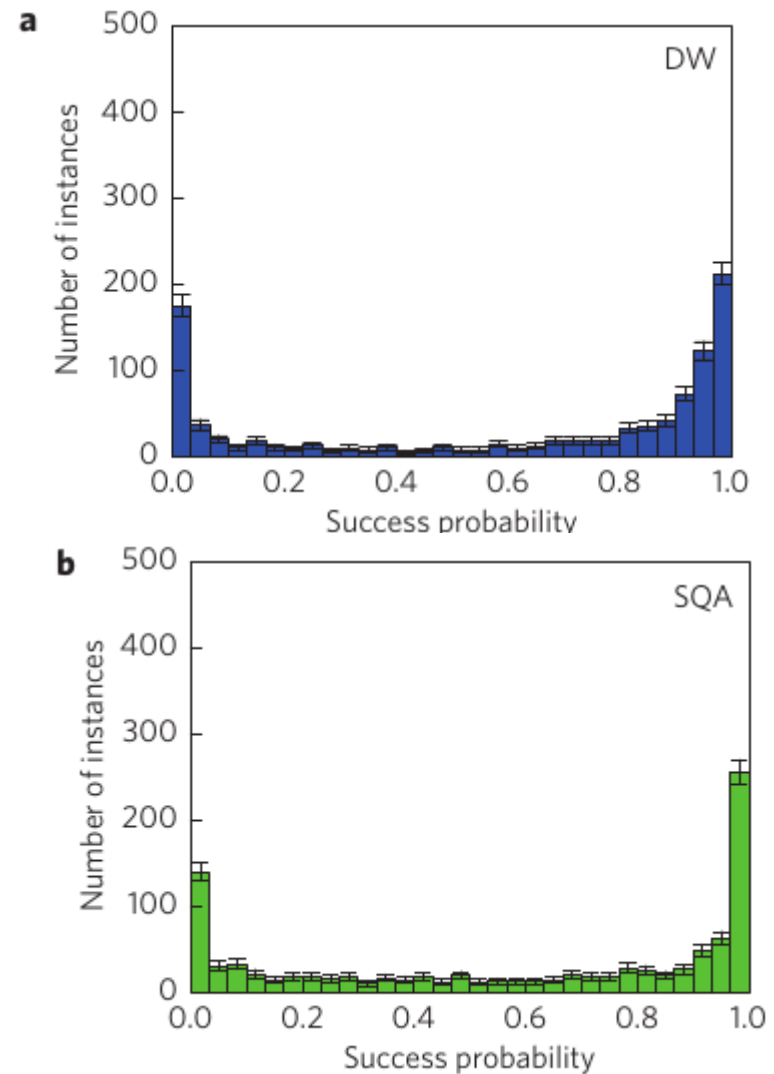
Comparison between SQA and Dwave 1

Ising glass on Chimera graphs

$$H_{cl} = - \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$



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➤ **SQA done with PIMC is consistent with DWave**

Tunneling time studies

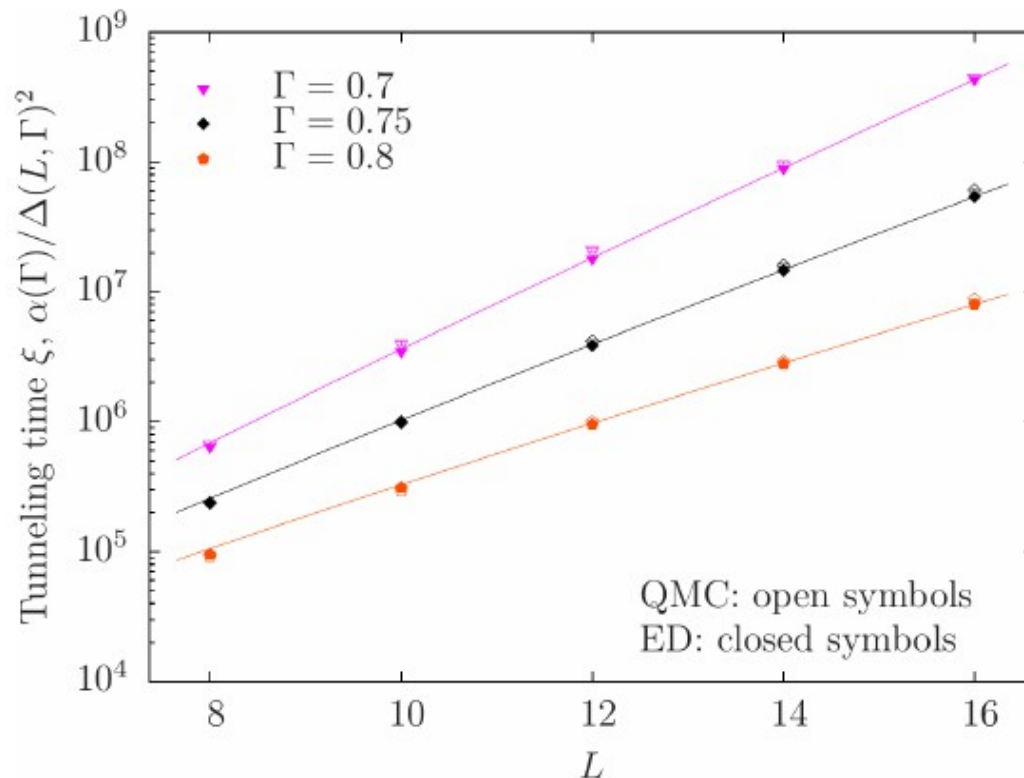
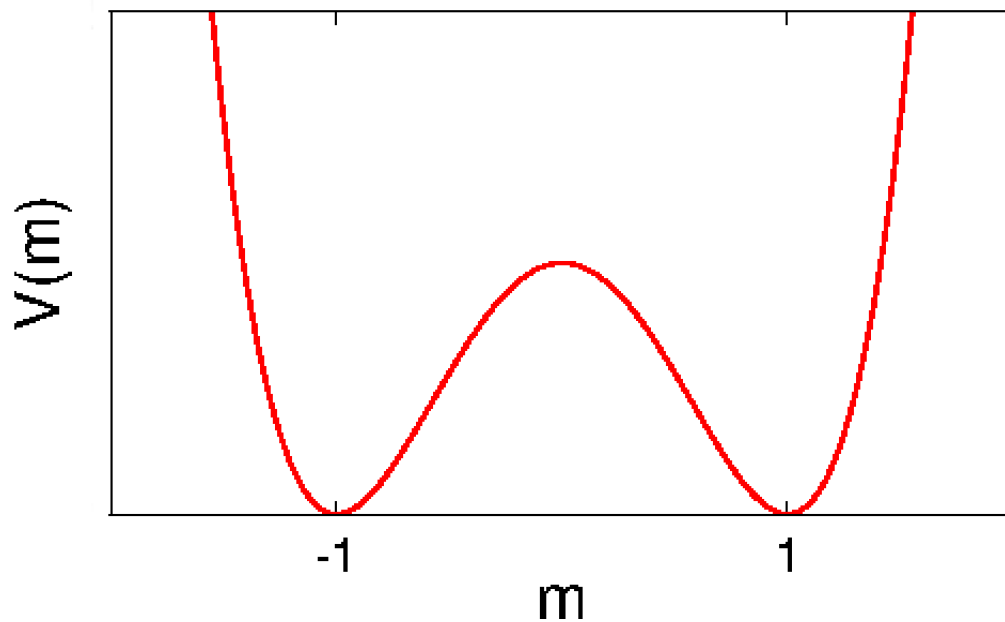
The quantum Ising chain

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - \Gamma \sum_i \sigma_i^x$$

$$\xi \propto \alpha(\Gamma) / \Delta^2$$

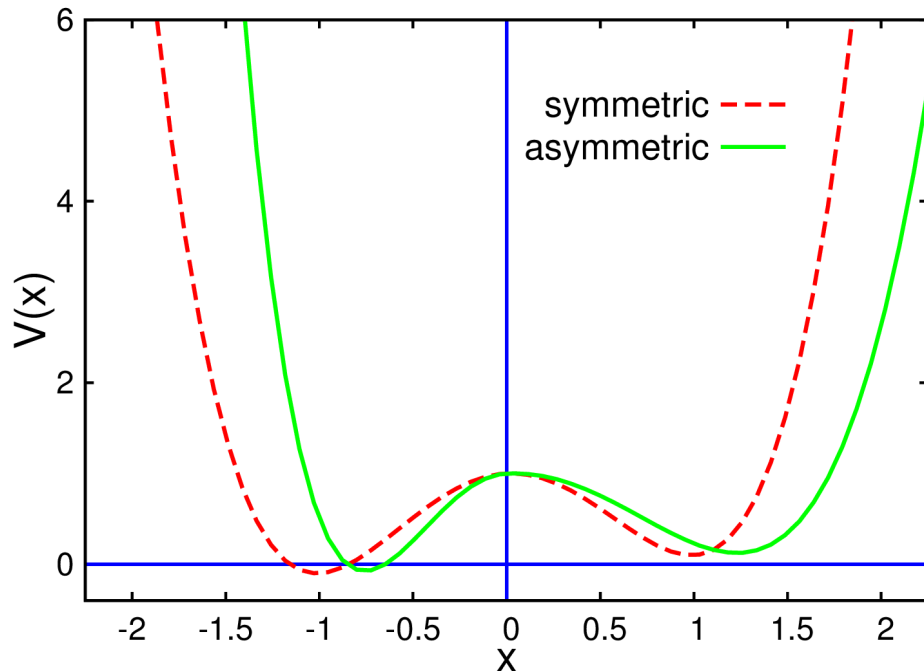
$$\Delta = E_1 - E_0$$

➤ **PIMC tunneling time scaling is like the one of a quantum annealer**



SQA comparison of PIMC and DMC

$$H(\tau) = -D(\tau) \nabla^2 + V(x) \quad D = \frac{1}{2m_\tau}$$



➤ **DMC performs asymptotically like deterministic IT-SHE**

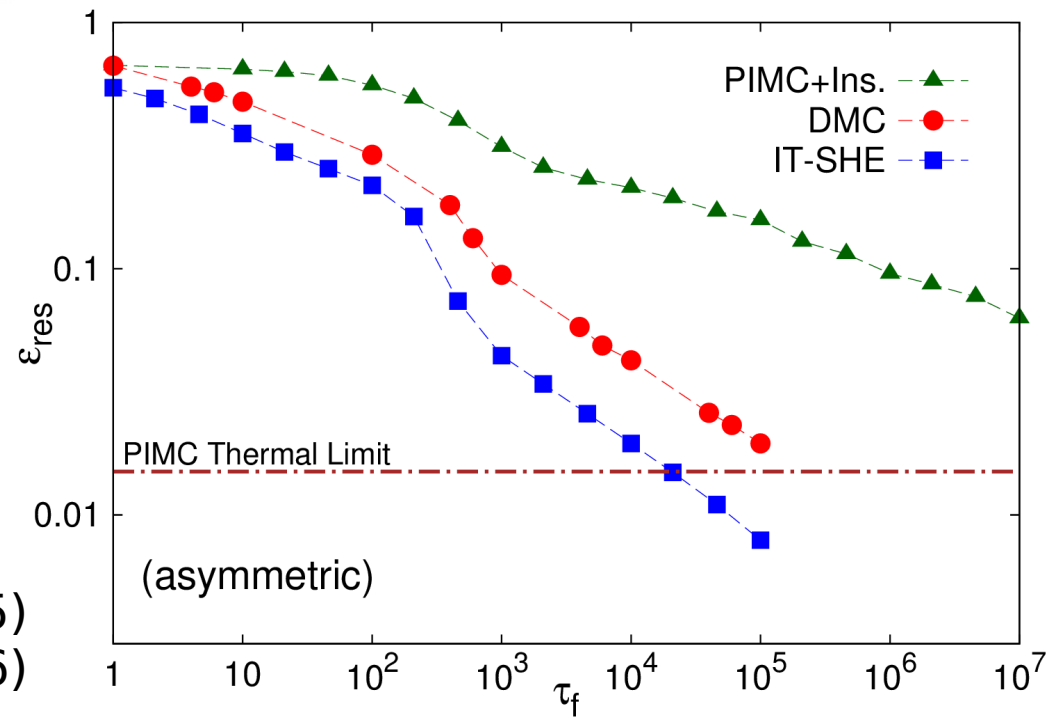
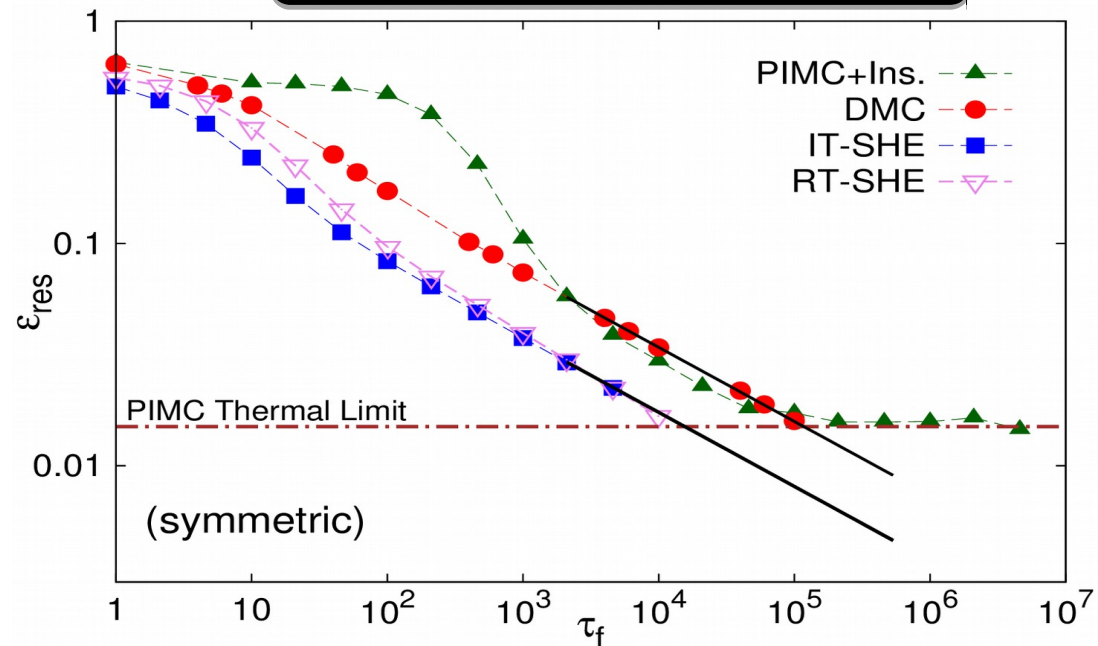
➤ **PIMC cannot simulate QA, whereas DMC can**

**E. M. I., S. Pilati,
Phys. Rev. E. 92, 053304 (2015)**

Stella et al, Phys. Rev. B 72, 014303 (2005)

Stella et al, Phys. Rev. B 73, 144302 (2006)

Conjecture: $\varepsilon_{\text{res}}^{\text{imaginary}}(\tau_f) \leq \varepsilon_{\text{res}}^{\text{real}}(\tau_f)$



DMC on Quantum Ising models

$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{-\sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z}_{\text{Potential Energy}} - \underbrace{\Gamma(\tau) \sum_i \sigma_i^x}_{\text{Fictitious Kinetic Energy}}$$

Evolve the Schrödinger equation in imaginary time

$$\Psi(\mathbf{X}, \tau_f) = e^{-\hat{H} \tau_f} \Psi(\mathbf{X}, 0)$$

$$\Psi(\mathbf{X}, \tau + \Delta \tau) = \sum_{\mathbf{X}'} G(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{X}, \Delta \tau) \Psi(\mathbf{X}', \tau)$$

$$G(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{X}, \Delta \tau) \approx G_d(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{X}, \Delta \tau) G_b(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{X}, \Delta \tau)$$

$$\text{where } G_d(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{X}, \Delta \tau) = P_F^\delta (1 - P_F)^{N-\delta}$$

$$P_F = \frac{\sinh(\Delta \tau \Gamma(\tau))}{\exp(\Delta \tau \Gamma(\tau))}$$

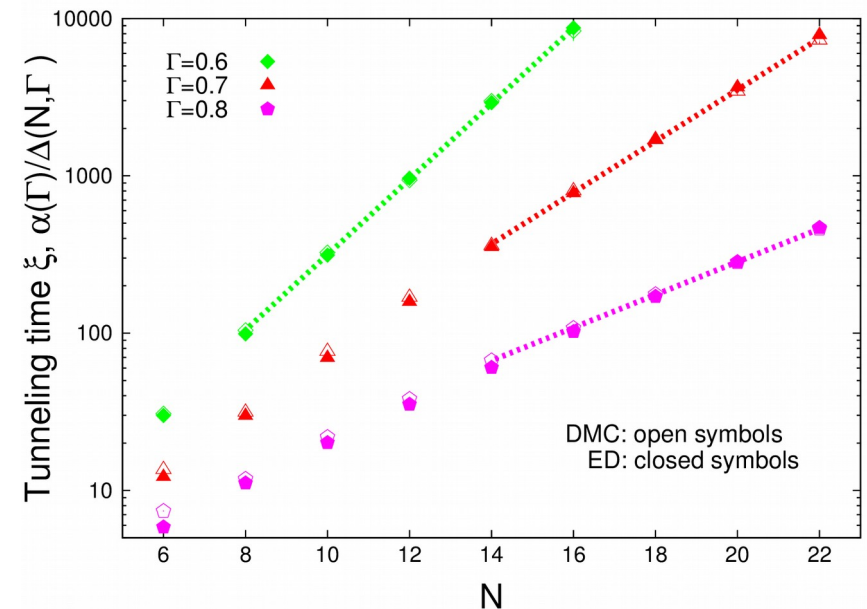
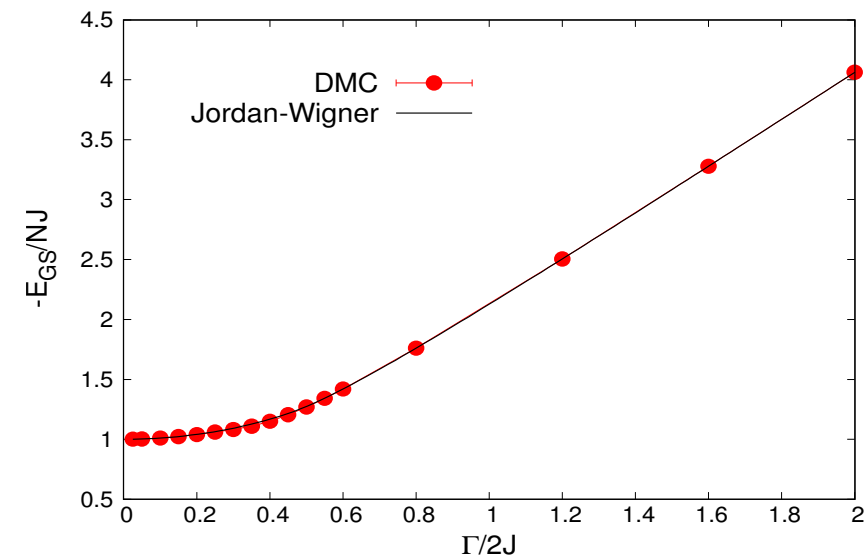
$$G_b(\mathbf{X}', \mathbf{X}, \Delta \tau) = \exp(-\Delta \tau [E_o(\mathbf{X}') - N \Gamma(\tau) - E_{ref}])$$

Tunneling time results

The quantum Ising chain (QIC)

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z - \Gamma \sum_i \sigma_i^x$$

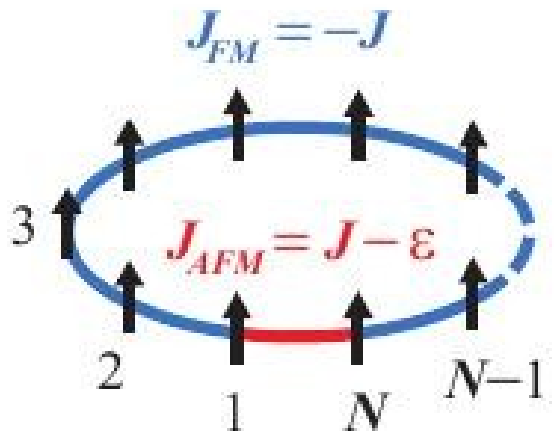
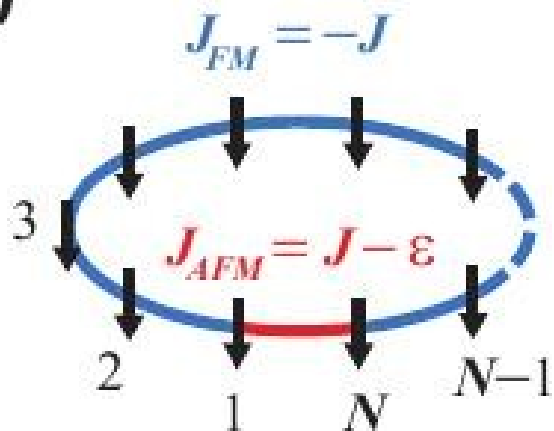
$$\xi \propto \alpha(\Gamma)/\Delta$$



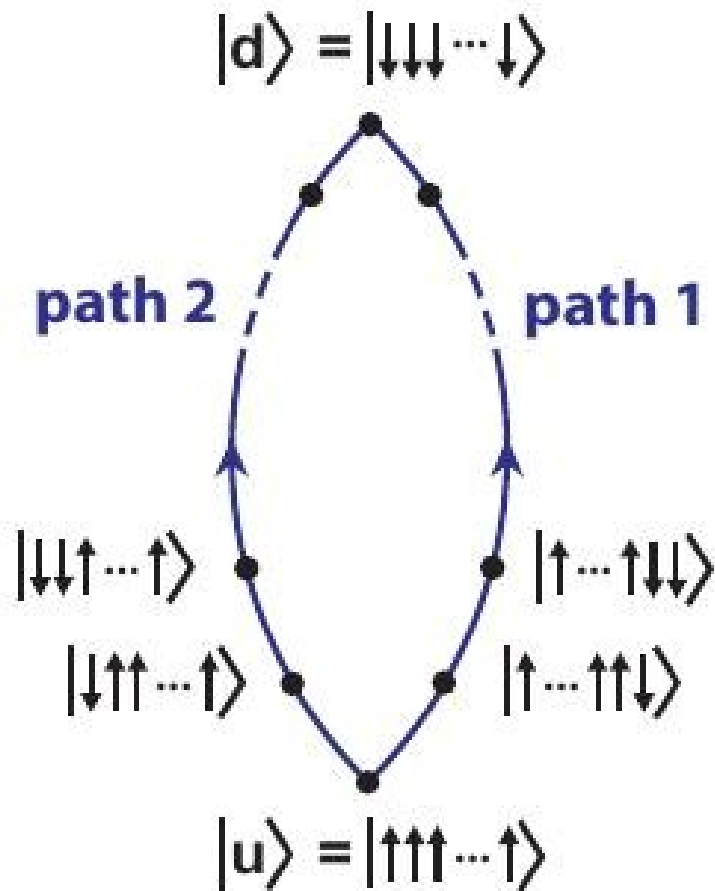
- As a benchmark DMC simulates ground state properties
- DMC tunneling time is identical to PIMC with open boundary conditions. Isakov et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 180402 (2016)

A simple model with frustration

(a)



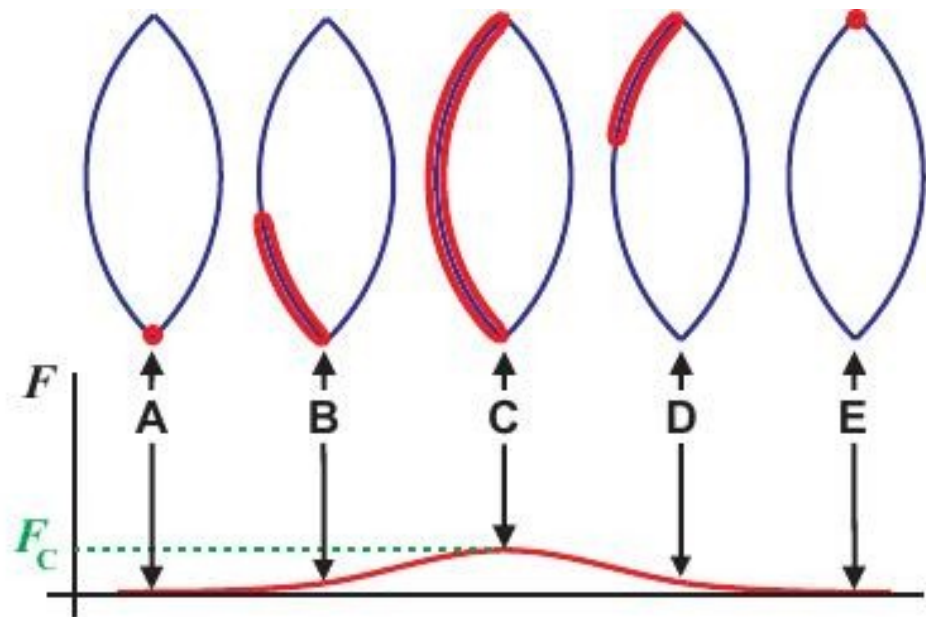
(b)



➤ **PIMC tunneling time is twice that of incoherent quantum tunneling**

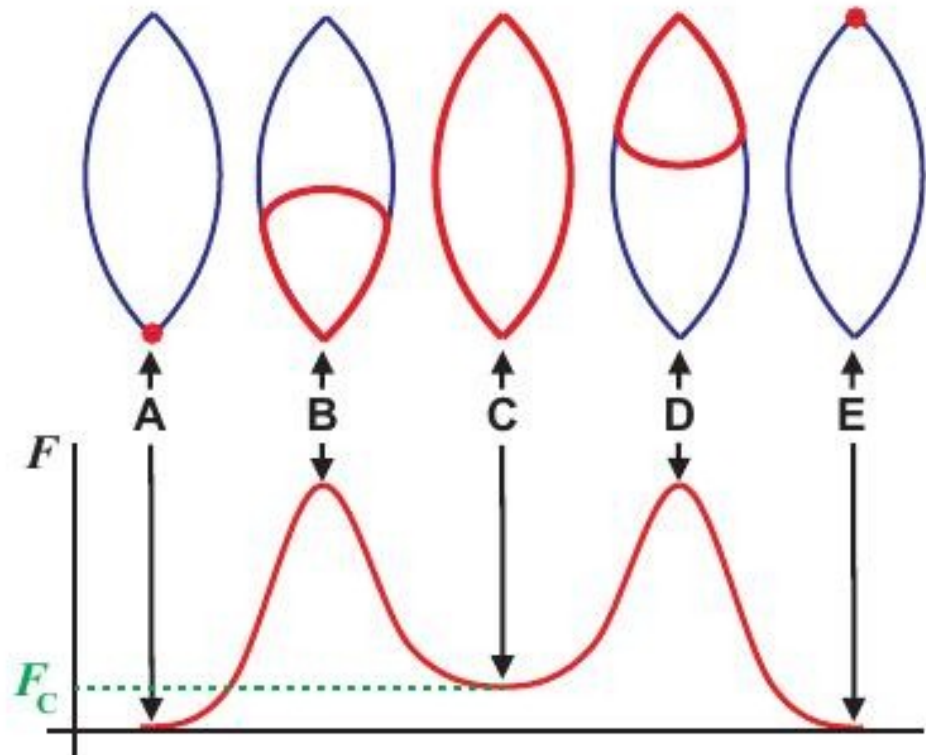
$$\xi_{PBC}^{PIMC} \propto 2/\Delta^2$$

(a)



E. Andriyash and M. H. Amin.
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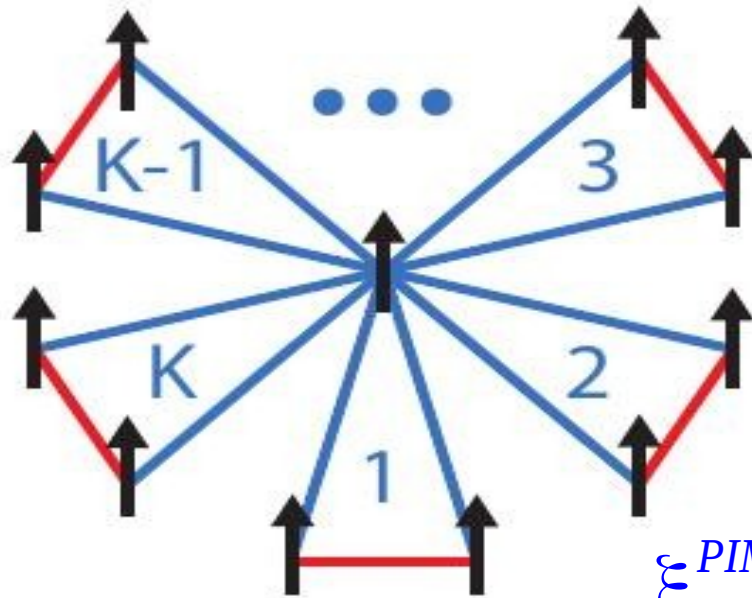
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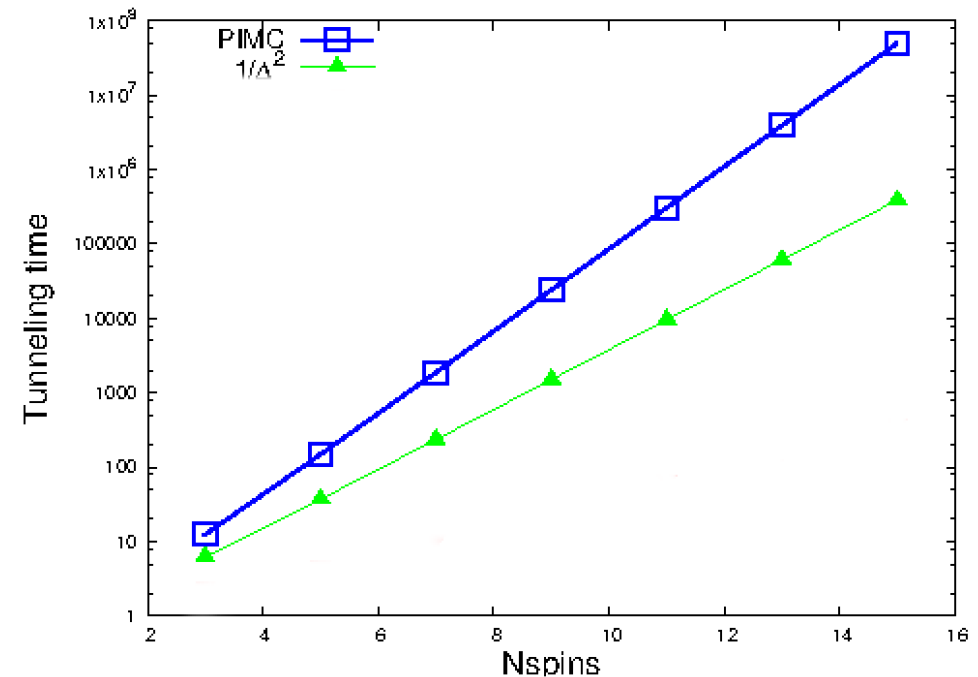
Tunneling time studies

$$H_{cl} = -J \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=2i}^{2i+1} \sigma_1^z \sigma_j^z + (J - \varepsilon) \sum_{i=1}^K \sigma_{2i}^z \sigma_{2i+1}^z$$

Shamrock: A model of frustrated rings



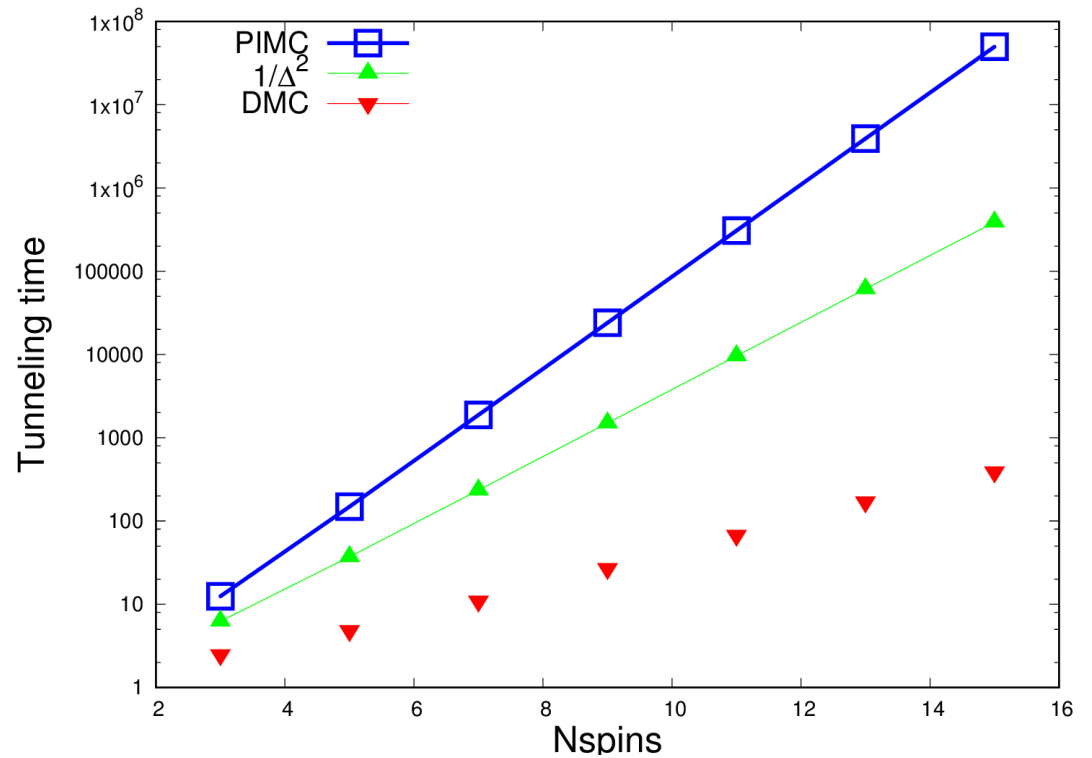
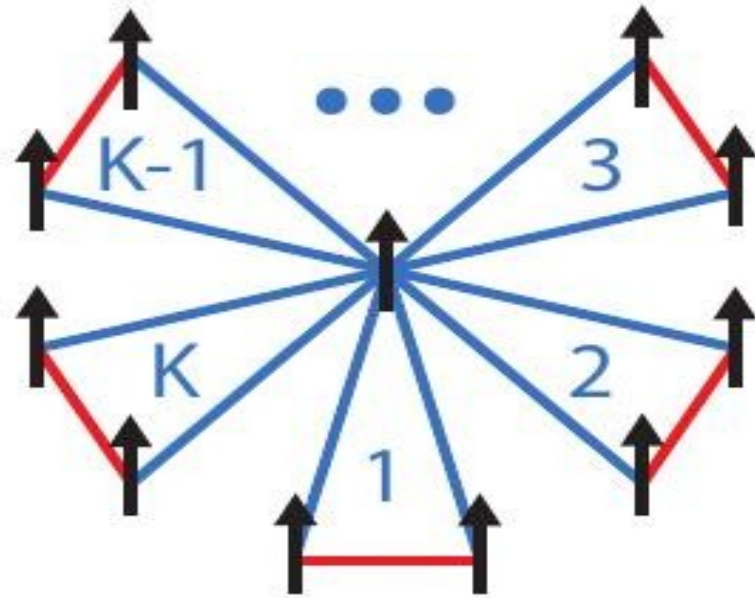
$$\xi_{PBC}^{PIMC} \propto 2^K / \Delta^2$$



- **PIMC scaling is worse than incoherent quantum tunneling**
- **It suggests that in some cases it cannot simulate QA**

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Tunneling time results



- **DMC scaling is the same as in the QIC**
- **It has better scaling than PIMC and incoherent quantum tunneling.**

$$\xi_{PBC}^{PIMC} \propto 2^K / \Delta^2$$

$$\xi^{DMC} \propto \alpha / \Delta$$

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