

- d-RVB Phases in 1- and 2-Dimensions

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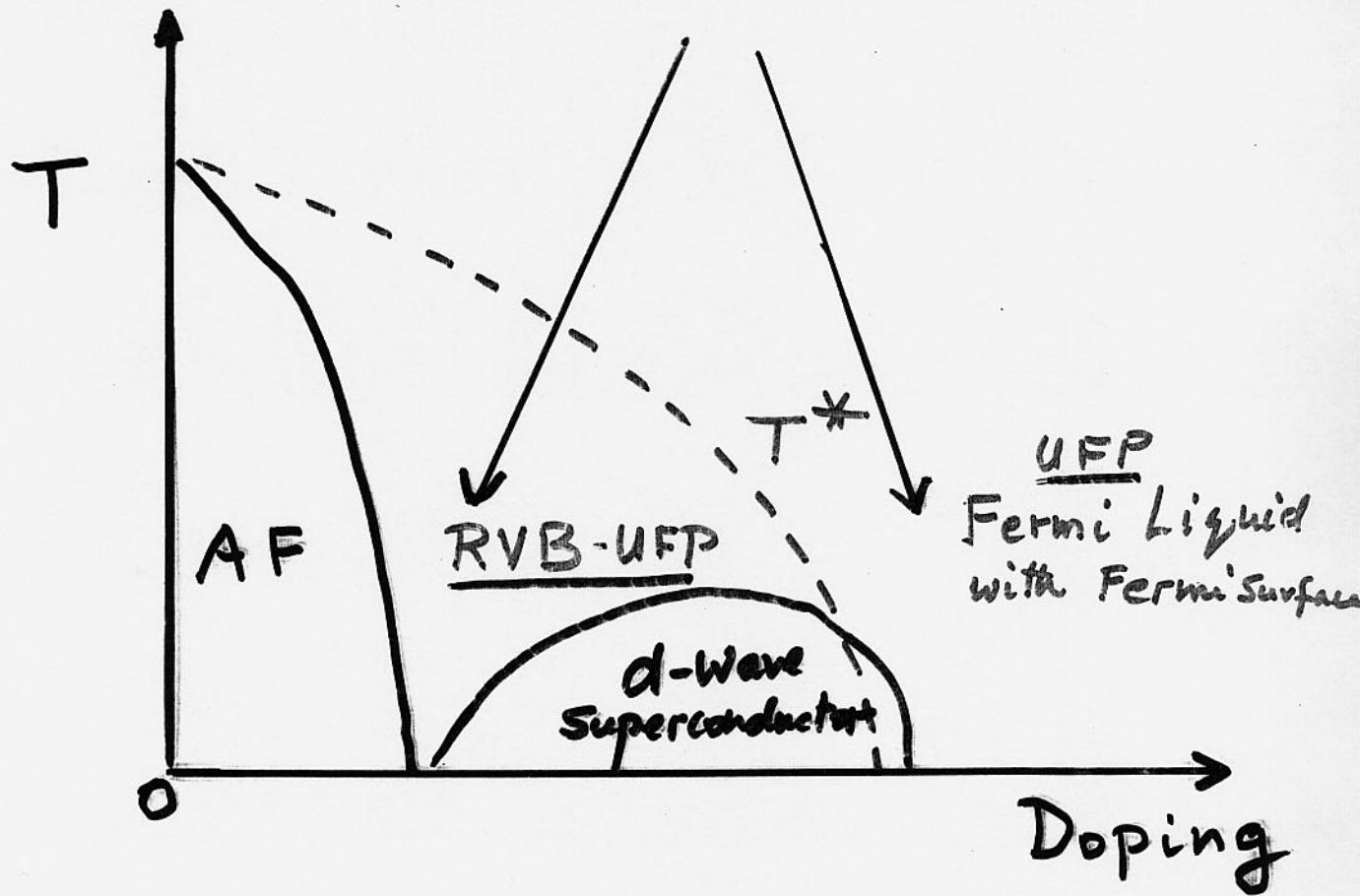
- Strong Coupling Phases extrapolated from divergent RG-flows
- 1D test case: 2-Leg Ladder at  $\frac{1}{2}$ -filling  
→ d-RVB ( d-Mott )
- 2D: RG-flow with Saddle Points close to  $E_F$   
→ d-RVB forms at high energies  
→ d-Superconductor at low energies

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# High- $T_c$ Phase Diagram

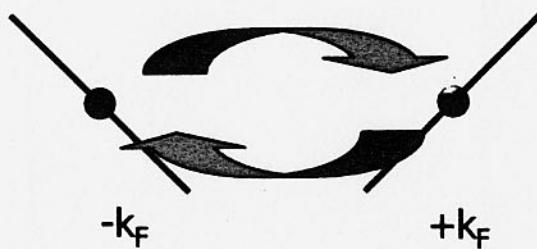


see P.W. Anderson Physica B 2002

- "In praise of unstable fixed points: [UFP] the way things actually work"

# Introduction

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Successful approach in one dimensional electron systems:

1. perturbative RG
2. bosonization of the low energy Hamiltonian
3. field-theoretical analysis of the bosonized theory

What can we do if bosonization is not possible,  
as e.g. in two dimensional systems ?  
→ Numerical analysis of RG Hamiltonian

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## Fermions with an attractive interaction

1-Loop RG       $\longrightarrow$        $g(\Lambda) = \frac{g_0}{\ln(\Lambda / \Lambda_0)}$

$\xrightarrow[\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda_0]{} -\infty$

➡  $\Lambda < \Lambda_0$  : Mean Field Theory (BCS)

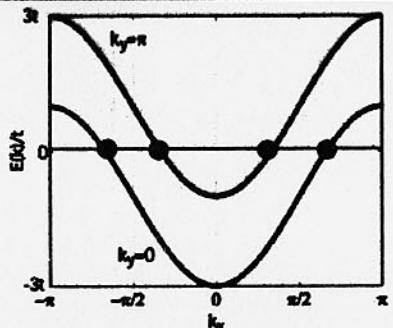
Equivalent to exact solution of

$$H_{\text{Red.}}^{\text{BCS}} = \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma} \varepsilon(\vec{k}) c_{\vec{k},\sigma}^\dagger c_{\vec{k},\sigma} + g \sum_{\substack{k_1,\sigma \\ k_2,\sigma'}} c_{\vec{k}_1,\sigma}^\dagger c_{-\vec{k}_1,-\sigma}^\dagger c_{\vec{k}_2,\sigma'} c_{-\vec{k}_2,-\sigma'}$$



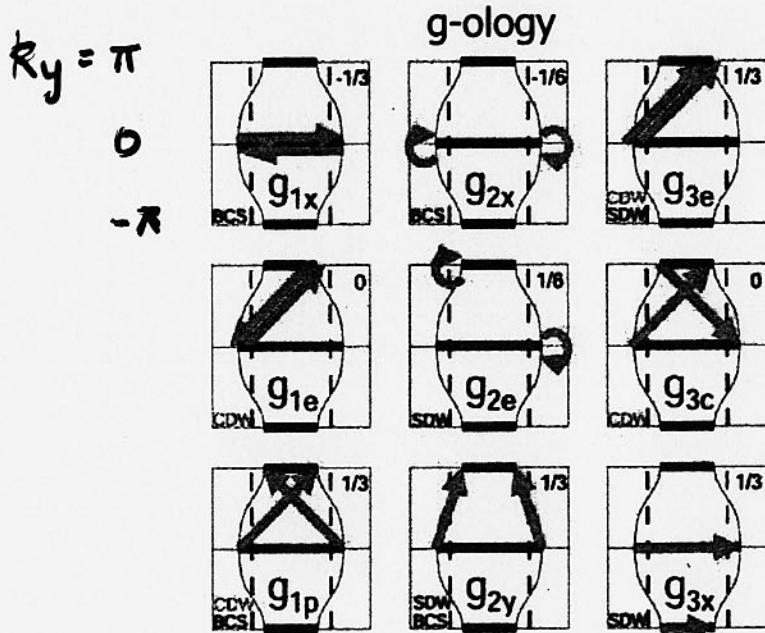
Divergent Processes  
in RG-flow

# The half-filled two leg Hubbard ladder: RG-flow for initial U>0



RG Eqs.:  $\frac{dg_i}{de} = A_{ijk} g_j g_k$

for generic repulsive interactions we flow towards a fixed ray in the interaction space  
 $\Rightarrow$  D-Mott phase (Lin, Balents, Fisher)  
 (dRVB)



Asymptotic flow:

$$g_{3e}^0 = g_{3x}^0 = g_{2y}^0 = g_{1p}^0 = -g_{1x}^0 = \frac{1}{3} g_0^0$$

$$g_{2e}^0 = -g_{2x}^0 = \frac{1}{6} g_0^0, \quad g_{3c}^0 = g_{1e}^0 = 0$$

with a logarithmic divergence:

$$g_i(\Lambda) = \frac{g_i^0}{\log(\Lambda/\Lambda_c)}$$

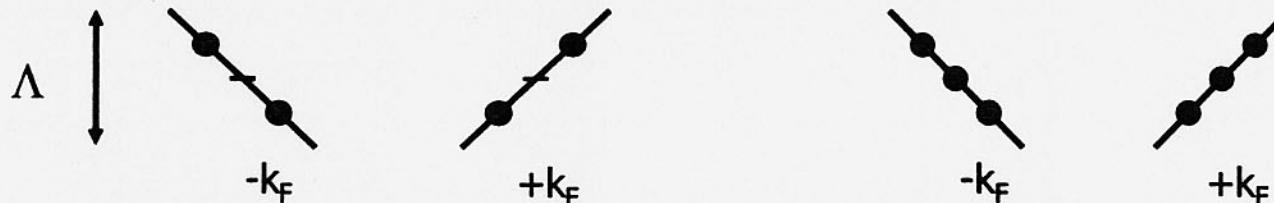
# Numerical Scheme

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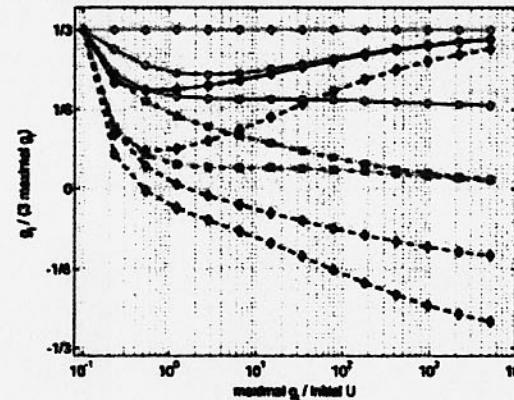
1. Given the RG-Equations, integrate them in order to obtain the asymptotic flow
2. Translate the asymptotic RG-couplings to a Hamiltonian on a mesh in k-space.  
( $\lambda$  = interaction strength parameter)

$$H = \sum_{k,\sigma} \epsilon(k) n_{k,\sigma} + \lambda \sum_{\substack{k_1, k_2, k_3 \\ \sigma, \sigma'}} V(k_1, k_2, k_3) c_{k_3, \sigma}^+ c_{k_4, \sigma'}^+ c_{k_2, \sigma'} c_{k_1, \sigma}$$

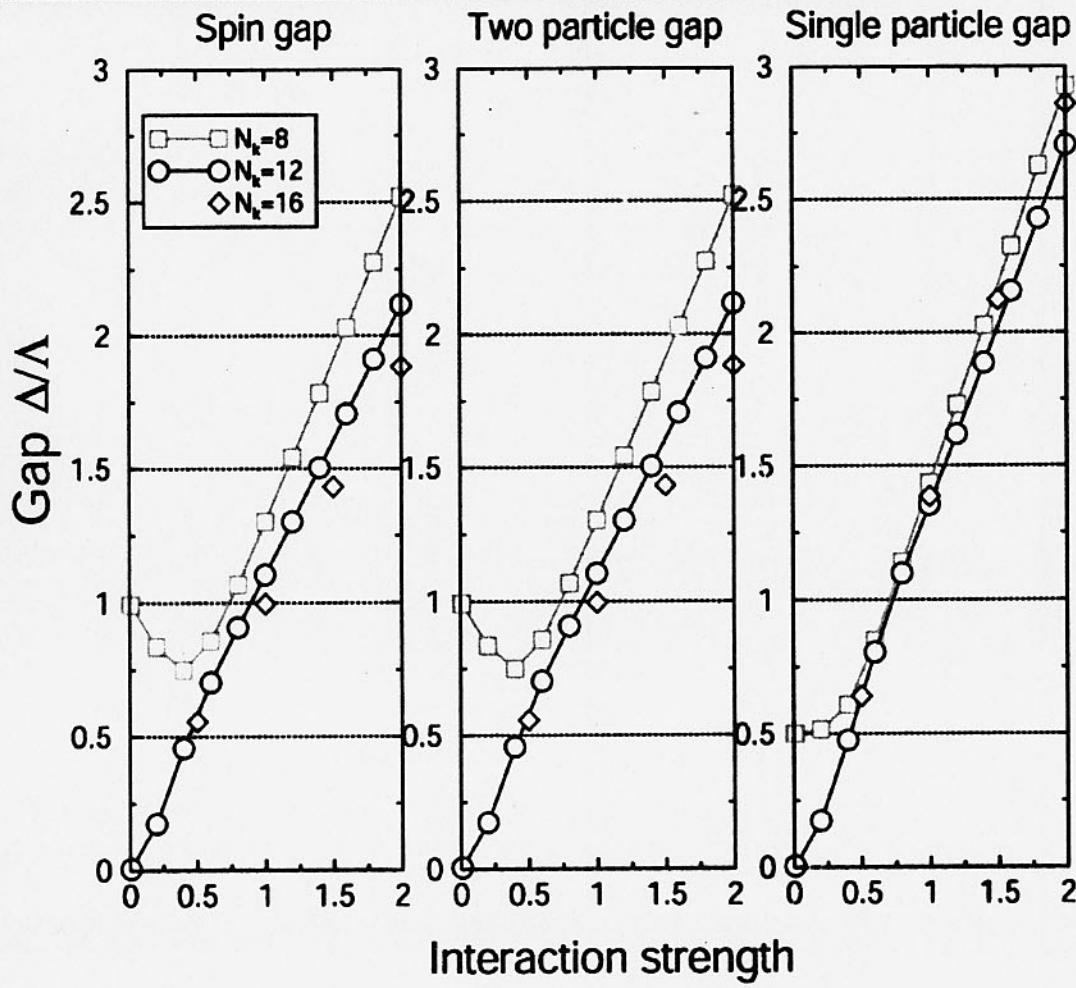
3. Perform an Exact Diagonalization of the resulting Hamiltonian for different number of k-points (up to 16 k-points feasible)



4. Calculate gaps and correlation functions (dynamics possible as well)
5. Perform finite size scaling



# The half-filled two leg Hubbard ladder: Gaps in the D-Mott phase (d R V B)

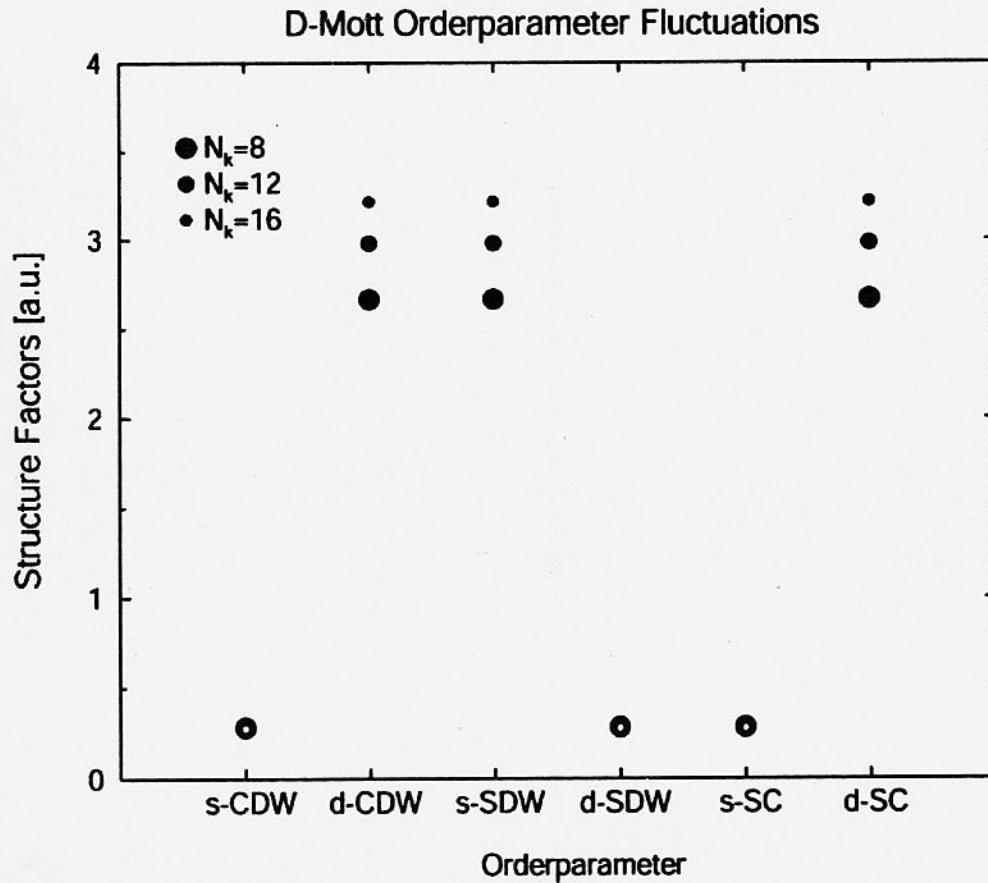


- All gaps remain finite upon extrapolating in  $1/N_k$
- Bosonization predicts equal gaps in each channel [SO(8) symmetry]. This is approximately fulfilled in our finite size samples.
- $\Delta_s = E_G(N_0, S=1) - E_G(N_0, S=0)$
- $\Delta_{2p} = \frac{1}{2} [E_G(N_0+2, 0) + E_G(N_0-2, 0)] - E_G(N_0, 0)$
- $\Delta_{1p} = \frac{1}{2} [E_G(N_0+1, \frac{1}{2}) + E_G(N_0-1, \frac{1}{2})] - E_G(N_0, 0)$

# The half-filled two leg Hubbard ladder: D-Mott Orderparameters

*d.RVB*

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The groundstate of the repulsive Hubbard ladder at half-filling:

- Equally enhanced:
  - d-wave SC
  - SDW
  - d-Density wave
- But only SRO

$$O_{j-CDW} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_k}} \sum_{k,\sigma} f_j(k) c_{k,\sigma}^+ c_{k+\mathbf{Q},\sigma}$$

$$O_{j-SDW} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_k}} \sum_{k,\sigma} f_j(k) \frac{\sigma}{2} c_{k,\sigma}^+ c_{k+\mathbf{Q},\sigma}$$

Form Factors:  $f_s(k) = 1$  ;  $f_d(k) = (\cos k_x - \cos k_y)/c$

$$O_{j-SC} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_k}} \sum_{k,\sigma} f_j(k) c_{k,\sigma}^+ c_{-k,-\sigma}^+$$

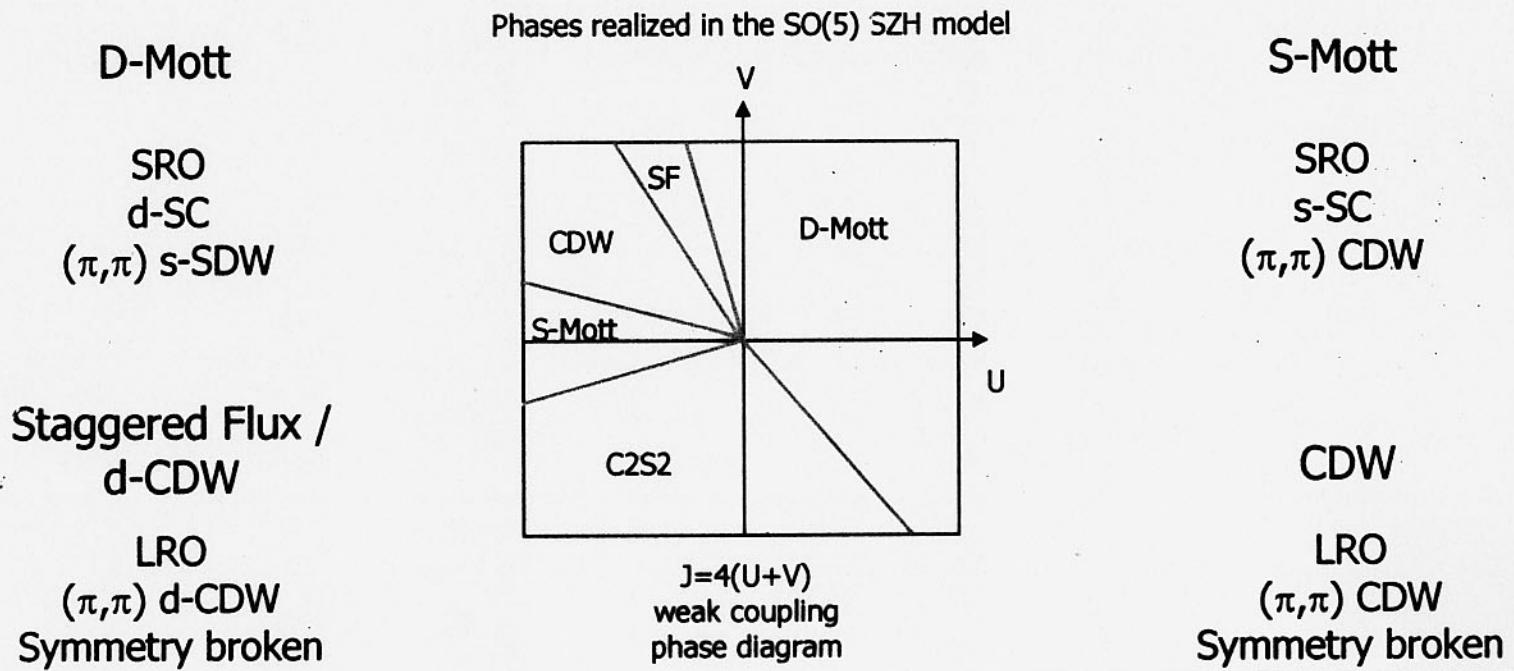
$\mathbf{Q} = (\pi, \pi)$

# The half-filled two leg ladder: 4 dominant phases

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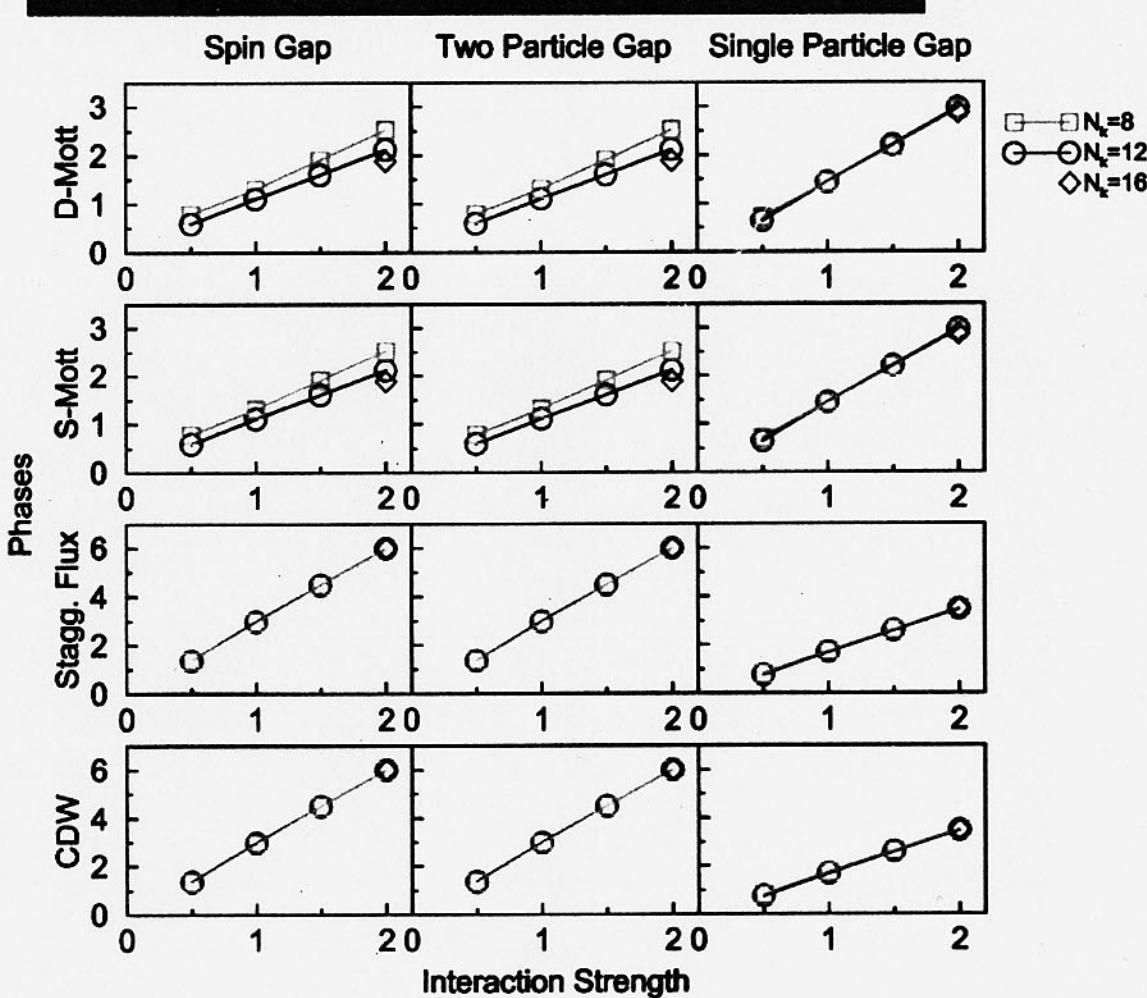
Lin, Balents, Fisher '98; Fjaerestad, Marston '01

In the half-filled two leg ladder there are four dominant phases at weak coupling:



# The 4 dominant phases: Gaps

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## D-Mott and S-Mott

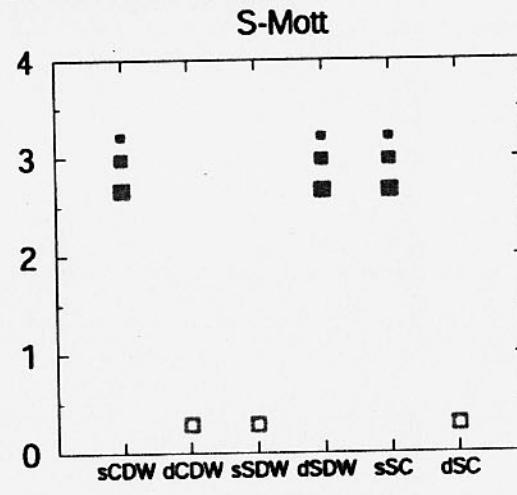
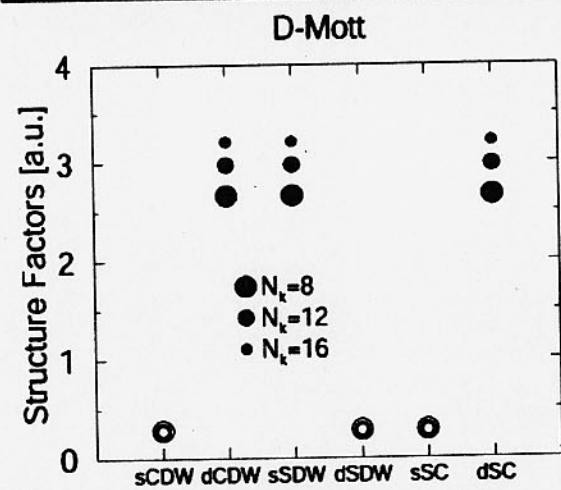
- finite size scaling of gaps indicate non-zero Gaps.
- nondegenerate GS
- only SRO

## S.F. and CDW

- almost no finite size corrections
- degenerate GS
- true LRO

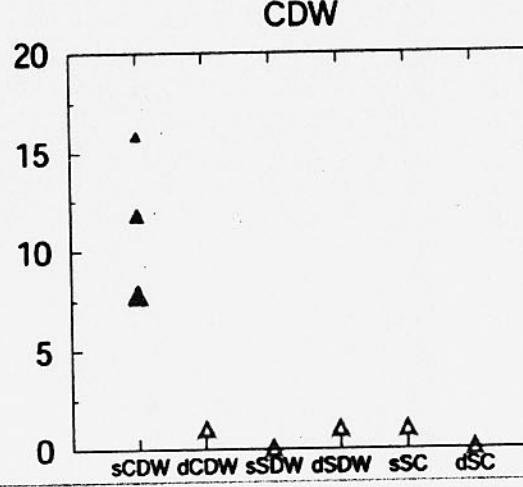
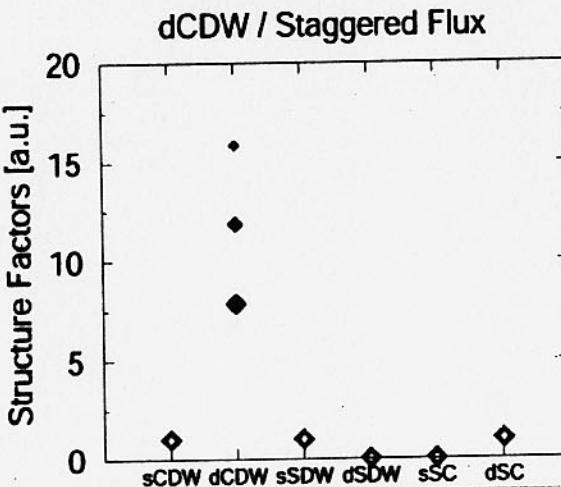
SO(5): equal spin and two particle charge gap.

# The 4 dominant phases: Order-parameter Susceptibilities



## D-Mott, S-Mott:

- insulating
- gaps to all excitations
- unique Groundstate
- short range ordered
- unbroken symmetry



## Staggered Flux and CDW phases

- insulating
- gaps to all excitations
- 2-fold deg. groundstate
- long range ordered
- $Z_2$  symmetry broken

## 2 Dimensions. t-t'-U model

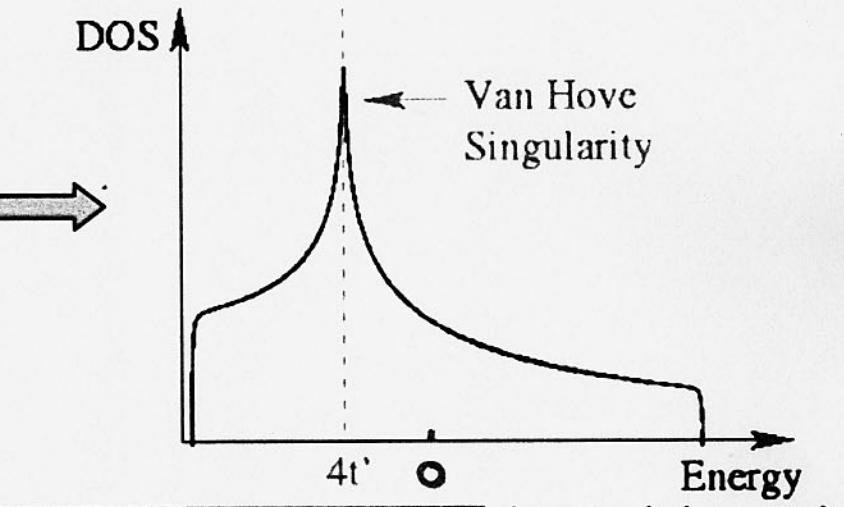
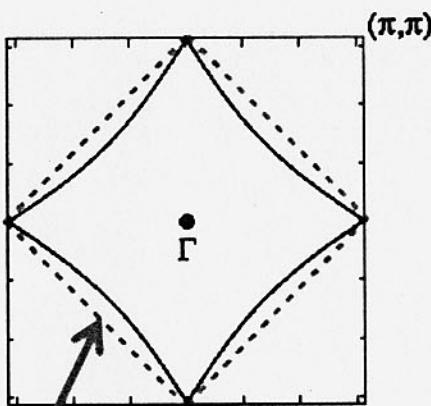
$$\epsilon(\mathbf{k}) = -2t[\cos(k_x) + \cos(k_y)] - 4t' \cos(k_x) \cos(k_y)$$

↓  
n.n.

↓  
n.n.n. hopping

U: Hubbard Interaction:  $Un_{i\uparrow}n_{i\downarrow}$

$$\begin{array}{l} t'=0 \\ \mu=0 \end{array}$$



Van Hove  
density  $\Rightarrow$  When  
 $\mu = 4t'$

Fermi Surface intersects saddle points

$(0, \pm\pi)(\pm\pi, 0)$

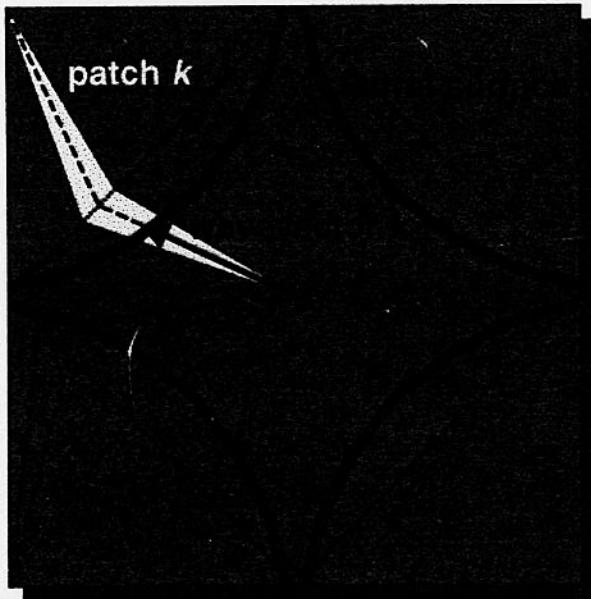
### Possible Instabilities

If  $|t'/t| \ll 1$  near to 1/2 -filling

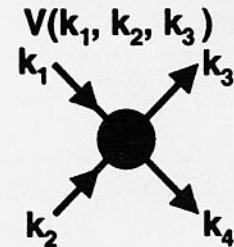
$|t'/t| \lesssim 1$  far from 1/2 -filling

- < AF: nesting
- < d-wave pairing
- < F: stoner
- < p-wave pairing

# Numerical implementation in 2D: The $N$ -patch technique



following Zanchi and Schulz 1997  
Similar approaches:  
Halboth & Metzner 2000,  
Tsai & Marston 2001



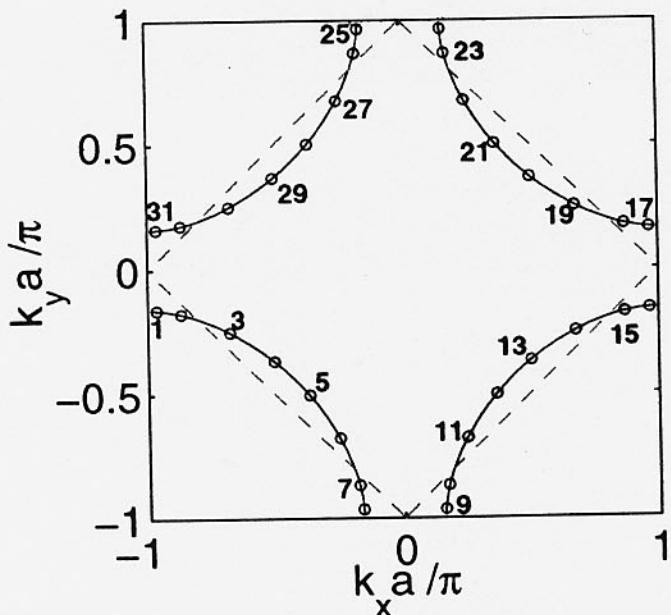
- Consider flow of couplings  $V(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  with incoming wavevectors  $k_1, k_2$  and 1st outgoing wavevector  $k_3$  on the FS,  $k_4$  is **fixed** by momentum conservation.
- take  $V(k_1, k_2, k_3)$  **constant** for all  $k_1, k_2$  and  $k_3$  in **same patches**.
- **neglect frequency dependence** of couplings.
- all phase space integrals are done as sums of radial integrals along the lines:

$$\int d^2k \rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^N w(k) \int dr r$$

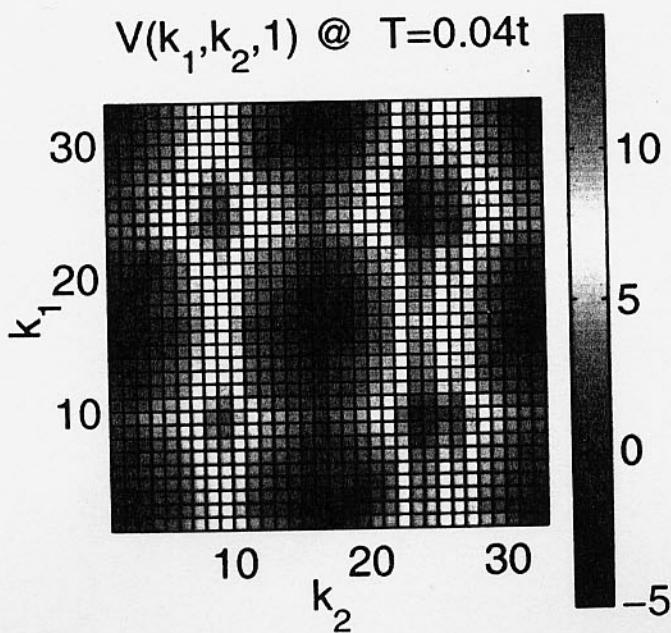
- we calculate with patch numbers from  $N = 32$  to 144.

Close to Half-filling; "Approximate Nesting"

$$\mu = -0.8t, \langle n \rangle \approx 0.94$$

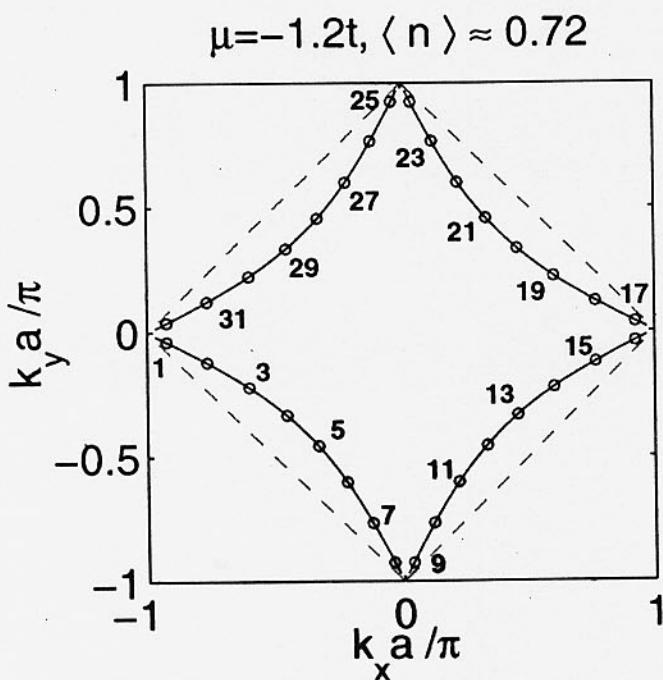


$$V(k_1, k_2, 1) @ T=0.04t$$

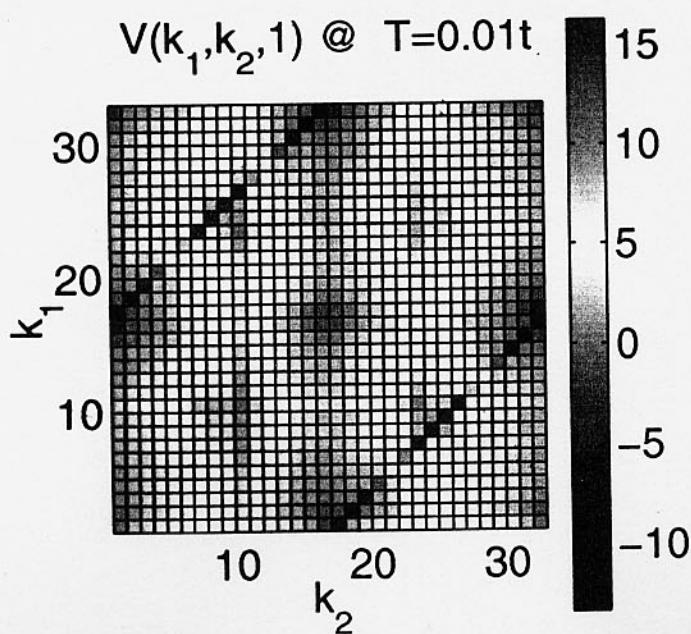


Umklapp Processes  
Dominate

- Low Electron Density; "d-wave dominated"



starting parameters  
 $t^* = 0.3t$   
 $U = 3t$



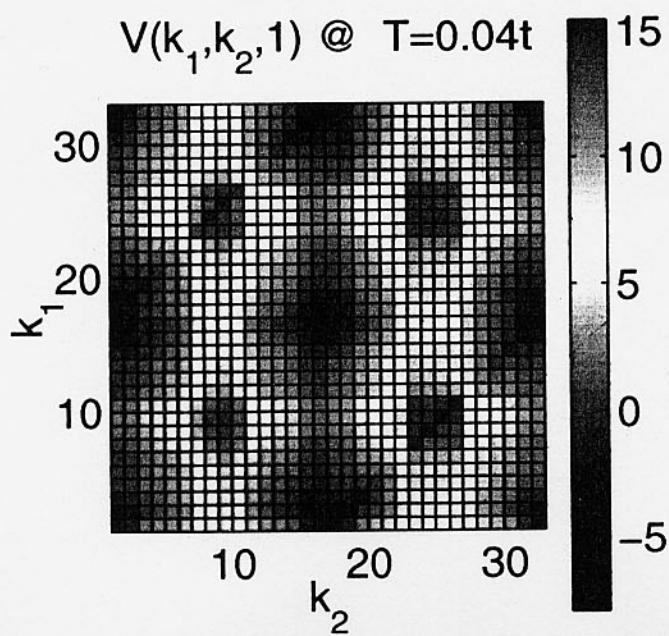
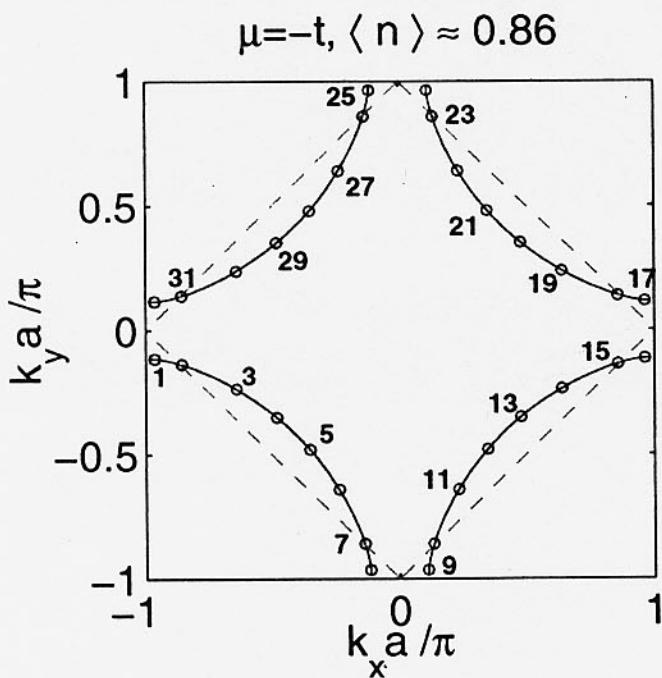
Interactions  
 $V(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4)$   
with  $k_3 = 1$

$$k_3 + k_4 = k_1 + k_2 : \text{mod}(G)$$

• d-wave Cooper pairing

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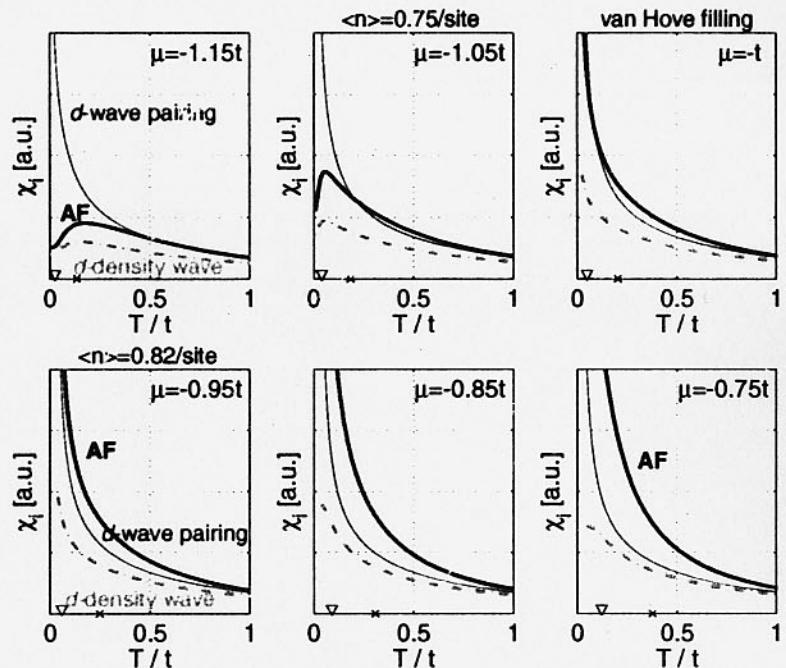
• Intermediate Density; "Saddle Points"



Pairing + Umklapp  
processes

# $t' \approx -0.25t$ : the saddle point regime

- Vary band filling around the van Hove value at fixed  $t' = -0.25t$ , initial  $U=3t$ .
- Filling smaller than saddle point filling** ( $\mu > -t$ ): only d-wave pairing channel singular at low  $T$ .
- Filling slightly larger than saddle point filling** ( $\mu \leq -t$ ): several channels grow together driven by scattering processes between the saddle points: the **saddle-point regime**
  - d-wave pairing and AF susceptibility grow comparably in the range of validity
  - orbital AF (sF,DDW) grows as well (but not leading instability)
  - Charge compressibility suppressed (most strongly at saddle points)



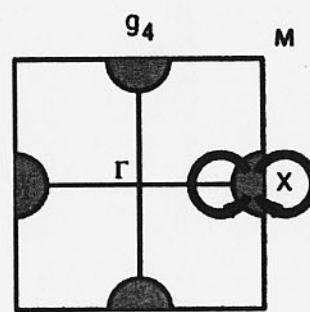
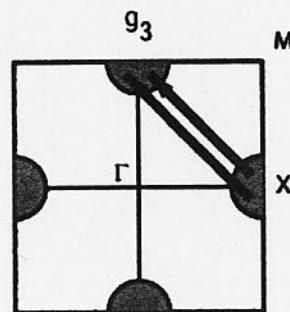
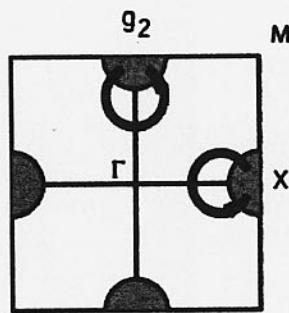
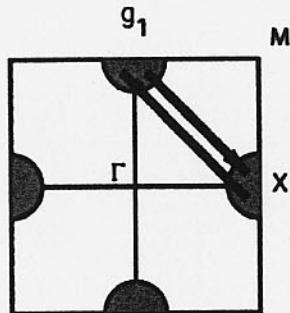
**Mutual reinforcement of d-wave pairing and AF channel:** both channels driven by same scattering processes between the saddle points.

Honekamp, Rice, Salmhofer '02

# Two patch approach to the 2D t-t' Hubbard model

Interaction vertices

for the two patch model:  $g_1, \dots, g_4$

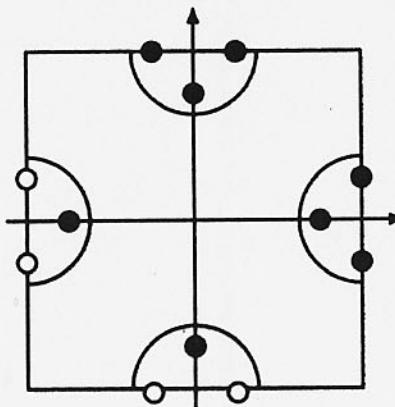


Lederer, Montambaux, Poilblanc ('87)

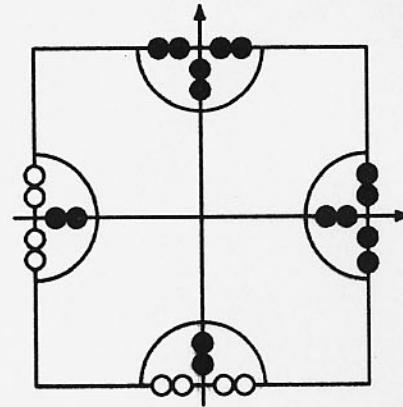
Furukawa, Rice, Salmhofer ('98)

RG, repulsive U  $\Rightarrow$   $g_1=0, g_2=1,$   
 $g_3=2.2, g_4=-1$

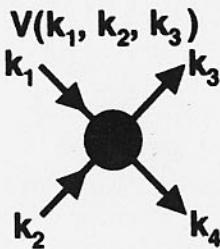
Discretization scheme:



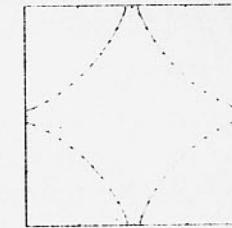
8 k-points



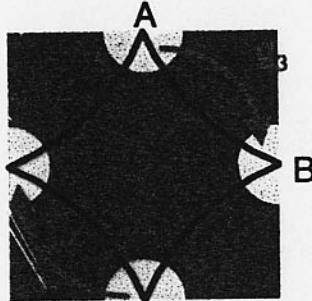
16 k-points



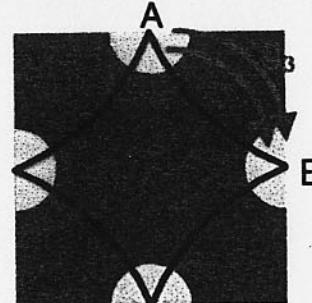
# Cooper and Umklapp processes at the saddle points



**Cooper process:**  
zero pair momentum



**Umklapp process:**  
 $(\pi, \pi)$  momentum transfer

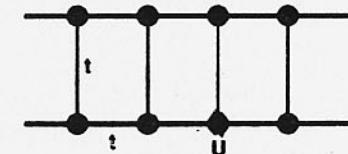


- **Cooper couplings drive d-wave pairing**  
fluctuations through particle-particle channel
- **Umklapp processes drive antiferromagnetic**  
and other  $(\pi, \pi)$ -fluctuations through particle-hole  
channel
- in one-dimensional systems: Umklapp  
scattering causes Mott charge gap
- in one-loop RG: Umklapp processes suppress  
charge compressibility

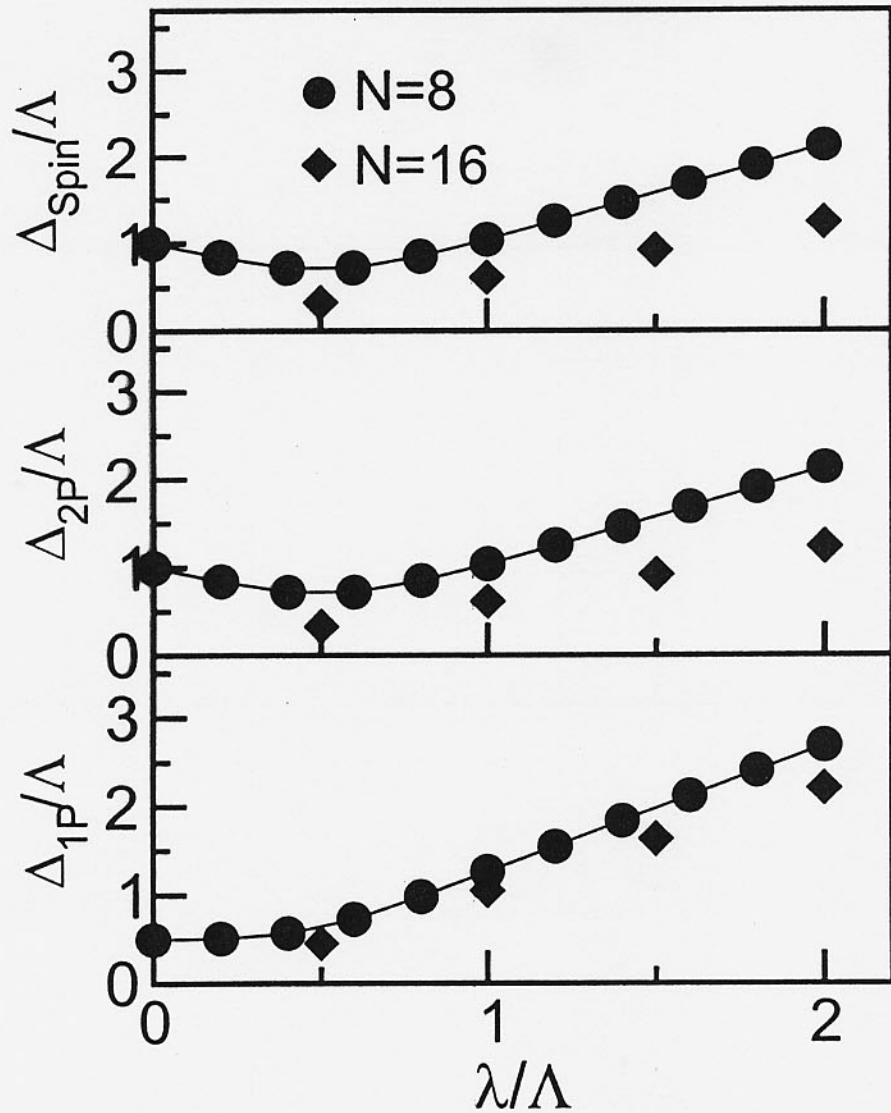
**Fermi surface near saddle points:**  $(\pi, \pi)$ -Umklapp processes have almost zero pair momentum; **mutual reinforcement of d-wave pairing and AF- $(\pi, \pi)$ -channel**, both channels driven by same scattering processes between the saddle points.

# What is the strong coupling state in the saddle point regime ?

- Flow to strong coupling in the **half-filled two-leg Hubbard ladder**:
  - **d-wave pairing, AF and orbital AF susceptibilities diverge with same exponent, charge compressibility suppressed**
  - Bosonization (Lin, Balents & Fisher 1998), DMRG (Noack 1994):  
Strong coupling state is **insulating spin liquid (ISL) without long range order**, with spin and charge gap.
- RG flow at saddle points in 2D model qualitatively similar to half-filled two-leg Hubbard ladder (Furukawa,Rice 1998, Honerkamp,Salmhofer,Rice 2001)
  - **Analogous strong coupling state at the saddle points?**
  - **d-wave pairing, antiferromagnetic and orbital AF (sF,DDW) correlations embodied as short range correlations?** ( $\rightarrow t$ -J model, Ivanov et al. 1999)
  - BZ diagonals remain gapless ?



two-patch model, Gaps

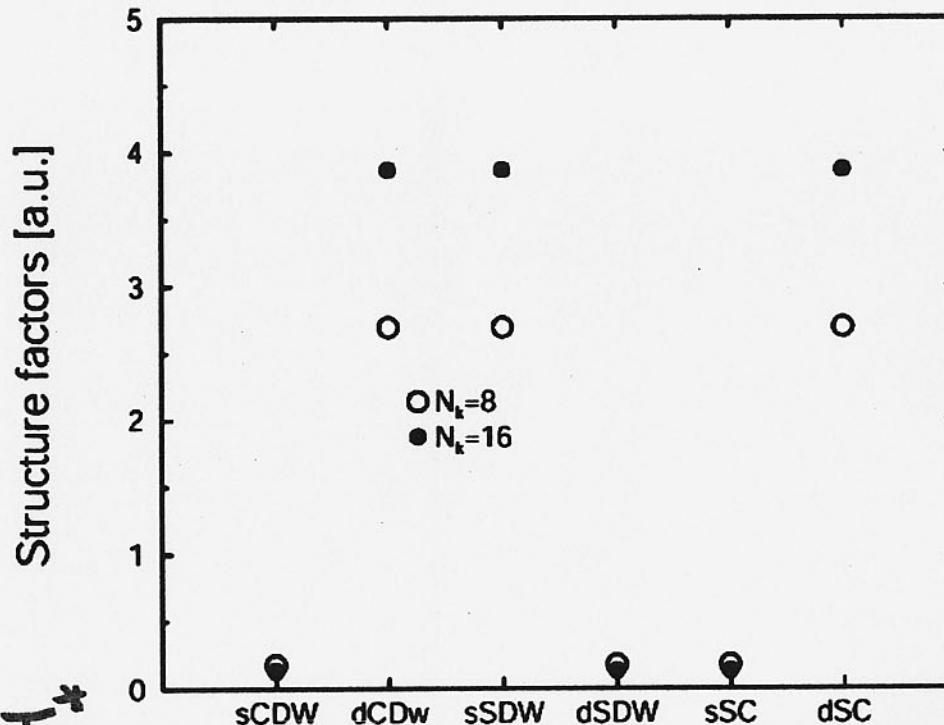


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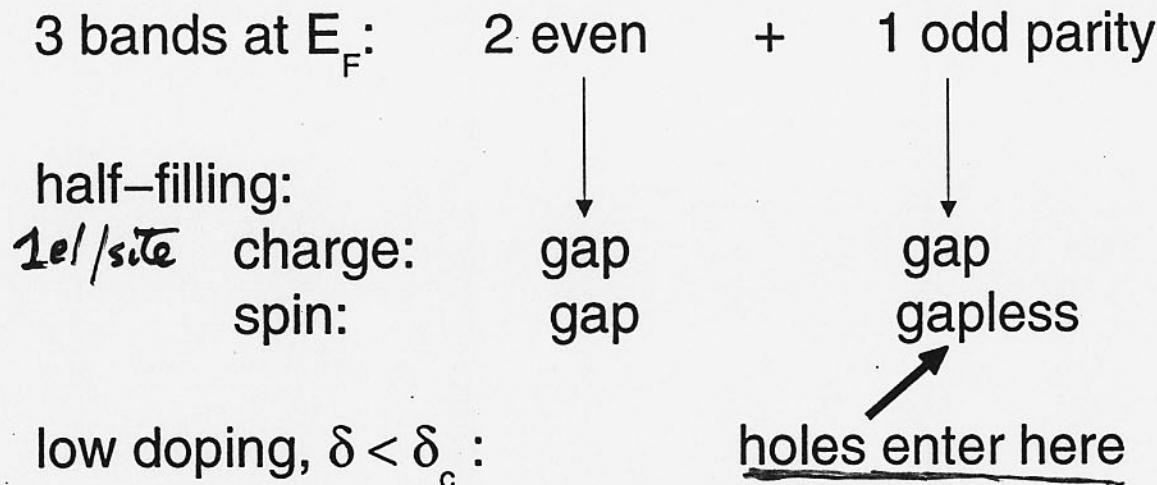
Order parameter susceptibilities reveal similarities to the D-Mott phase of the Hubbard ladder:

- equally enhanced:
  - d-CDW
  - s-SDW
  - d-SC
- but presumably SRO

→ dRVB at  $T^*$



# Doping of a 3-Leg Ladder



Fermi surface only in odd parity channel  
even parity channel truncated by U-processes

→ Partial truncation of the Fermi surface,  
similar results for n-leg ladders (Ledermann, LeHur, Rice)

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## 3-Leg Ladder

OYA Theorem: Gapless Excitations at a  
[Generalization of] LSM Theorem Wavevector:  $2\pi \cdot 3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} (1 - \delta)$   
 $= \underline{3\pi - 3\pi\delta}$

$\delta$ : doping

Partially Truncated Fermi Surface has a gapless excitation in the Luttinger Liquid in the odd parity band

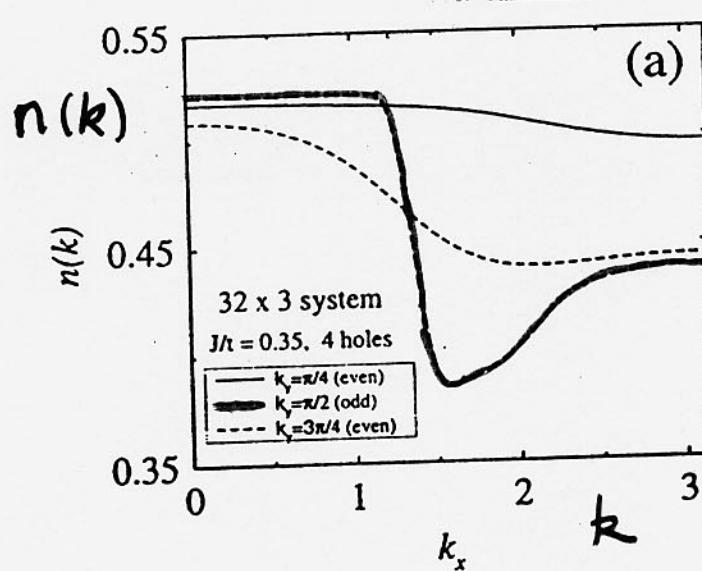
$$\text{with wavevector : } \pi(1 - 3\delta) \\ = \underline{\pi - 3\pi\delta}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Equivalent mod  $(2\pi)$

# Hole Doping of a 3-Leg Ladder

Rice, Haas, Sigrist 'Zhang  
PRB '97

t-J model



DMRG

White  
and  
Scalapino  
PRB '98

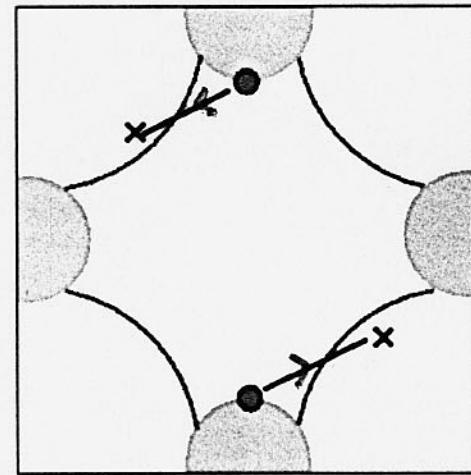
⇒ Fermi Surface only in odd parity band  
→ holes enter only in odd parity band.

# Low Energy Scale ( $T < T^*$ )

## Two Fluid Model

- Insulating Spin Liquid (d-RVB) at Saddle Points (S)
- Fermi Liquid Arcs near BZ diagonals (A)

Coupling via Cooper Process



Pairing Interaction induced on the Arcs

$$V_{AA} = -V_{AS}^2 \chi_s^d \frac{T^3}{2\Omega} \sum_{\vec{k}, \vec{k}', \sigma, \sigma'} g_{\vec{k}} g_{\vec{k}'} c_{\vec{k}, \sigma}^\dagger c_{-\vec{k}, -\sigma}^\dagger c_{-\vec{k}', -\sigma'} c_{\vec{k}', \sigma'}$$

$\chi_s^d$  d-Wave pairing susceptibility

$\rightarrow$  d s c

$$g_{\vec{k}} = \cos k_x - \cos k_y$$

## Conclusions

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- We have proposed a numerical method to analyze RG flows to strong coupling.
  - The method is flexible and turned out to be useful for systems with pure SRO, quasi-LRO and true LRO.
  - Its results are consistent with bosonization results.
  - Since it is based on Exact Diagonalization we can calculate energy gaps, static and dynamical correlation functions directly in a fermionic description.
-