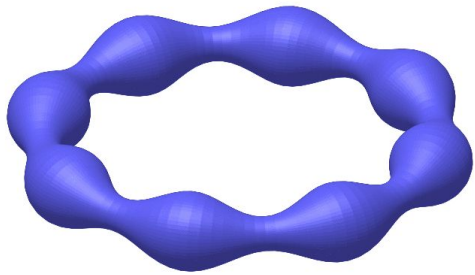
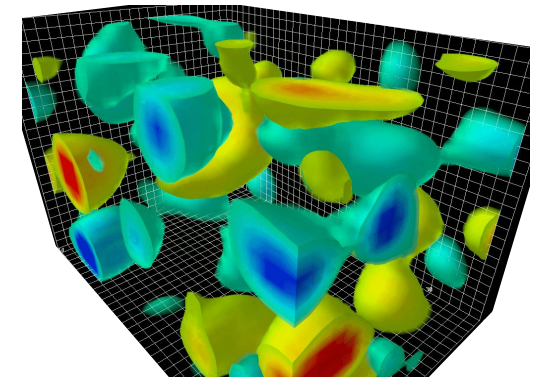


Is Flux Tube a Bosonic String? What Does Lattice Say?

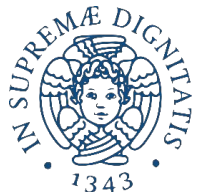


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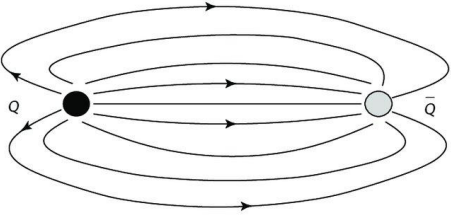
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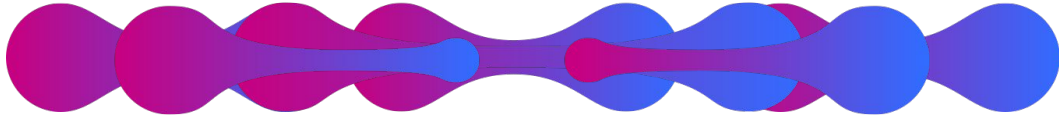
Work in collaboration with Mike Teper,
Based on arXiv:1103.5854, 1007.4720, 1702.03717,
1602.07634 and new upcoming results...



Question: Is Flux Tube a bosonic string?



In QCD quarks are confined in bound states by forming flux-tubes of **chromo-magnetic** and **chromo-electric** flux



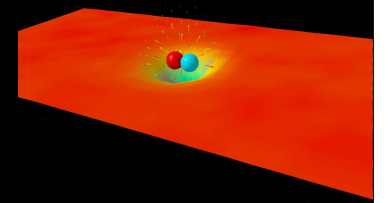
$E \approx \sigma r$ Long flux tubes behave pretty much like strings
At some point they break (string breaking)

Let us think... there are $D - 2$ obvious massless modes



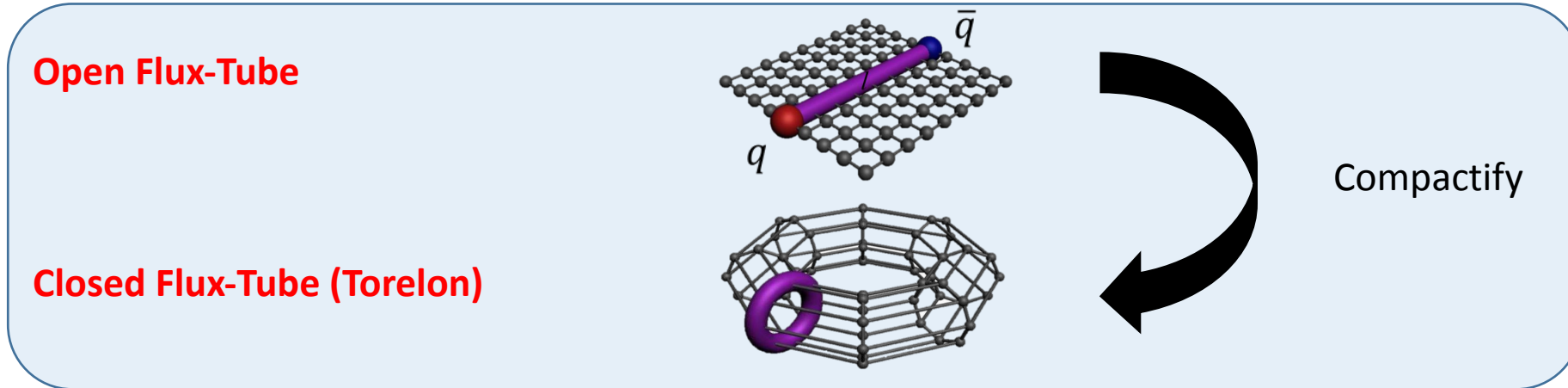
Goldstone modes arising from the broken translation invariance in the $D - 2$ directions transverse to the flux tube

There should be a Low Energy Effective String Theory model describing the energy spectrum of the flux tube
- In addition to string modes are there other kind of (massive) excitations?

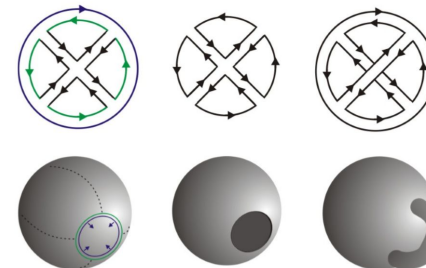


Question: Is Flux Tube a bosonic string?

- Is there a theoretical description for the confining flux-tube in $D=3+1$ & $D=2+1$?
- Confining flux-tube:



- Pure gauge phenomena are also present...
 - Glueball – Flux-Tube mixing
 - Flux-tube – anti-Flux-Tube mixing
- Possible low-energy effective string theoretical description?
 - Cannot capture pure gauge phenomena!
 - Might be possible in the Large- N limit!
- Investigate Closed Flux tubes in the Large- N limit



t' Hooft Coupling
Is kept fixed

$$\lambda = g^2 N$$

Have a look at S. Coleman's (Aspects of Symmetry)

Effective String Theory for (long) strings

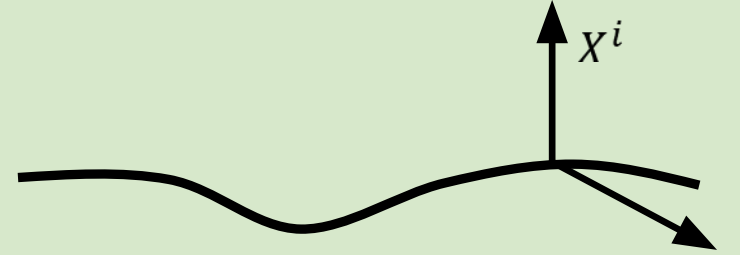
- Contributions by

M. Lüscher '81, J. Polchinski & A. Strominger '90, M. Lüscher & P. Weisz '04, O. Aharony et al '07 – 11, S. Dubovski et al '12 – 19

- Quantize the Bosonic String (Nambu-Goto String)

$$S_{\text{NG}} = -\ell_s^{-2} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-\det \gamma} \quad \gamma_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial X^\mu}{\partial \sigma^\alpha} \frac{\partial X^\nu}{\partial \sigma^\beta} \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\ell_s^{-1} = \sqrt{\sigma} \text{ (string tension)}$$



The spectrum of a closed bosonic string compactified around a torus is:

$$E_{N_L, N_R, q, w}^2 = (\sigma l w)^2 + 8\pi\sigma \left(\frac{N_L + N_R}{2} - \frac{D-2}{24} \right) + \left(\frac{2\pi q}{l} \right)^2$$

The spectrum is described by:

- The winding number w ($w=1, 2, \dots$),
- The winding momentum $p_{\parallel} = 2\pi q/l$ with $q = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$
- The transverse momentum p_{\perp} ($p_{\perp} = 0$),
- $N_L = \sum_{k>0} n_L(k)k$ and $N_R = \sum_{k'>0} n_R(k')k'$
- Level-matching constrain: $N_L - N_R = qw$.

$$(\alpha_{-k_1}^{i_1})^{n_L(k_1)} \dots (\alpha_{-k_{m_L}}^{i_{m_L}})^{n_R(k_{m_L})} (\bar{\alpha}_{-k'_1}^{i'_1})^{n_R(k'_1)} \dots (\bar{\alpha}_{-k'_{m_R}}^{i'_{m_R}})^{n_R(k'_{m_R})} |0\rangle$$

- Example: $\alpha_{-2}\alpha_{-1}\bar{\alpha}_{-1}|0\rangle$
 - ★ $N_L = 3$
 - ★ $N_R = 1$
 - ★ $q = 2$

Effective String Theory for (long) strings

- Nambu-Goto string is Lorentz invariance only in $D = 26$
- Gauge-Theory flux tubes must be described by a worldsheet theory that respects Lorentz in $D = 4$
- We can perturbatively calculate the spectrum of the flux-tube with Lorentz Invariance

$E_n \stackrel{l \rightarrow \infty}{\cong}$	σl	linear confinement
	$+ \frac{4\pi}{l} \left(n - \frac{D-2}{24} \right)$	Lüscher 1980, Polchinski&Strominger 1991
	$- \frac{8\pi^2}{\sigma l^3} \left(n - \frac{D-2}{24} \right)^2$	Lüscher&Weisz 2004, Drummond 2004
	$+ \frac{32\pi^3}{\sigma^2 l^5} \left(n - \frac{D-2}{24} \right)^3$	Aharony&Karzbrun 2009

The Nambu-Goto energy for $w = 1$ and $q = 0$, in dimensionless units is written as:

$$\frac{E_n(l)}{\sqrt{\sigma}} = l\sqrt{\sigma} \left(1 + \frac{8\pi}{\sigma l^2} \left(n - \frac{1}{12} \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{with} \quad n = \frac{N_L + N_R}{2}$$

The above expression can be expanded in $1/l\sqrt{\sigma}$ for:

becomes tachyonic for $\sigma l^2 < 2\pi/3 \equiv (1.45)^2$.

$$l\sqrt{\sigma} > l_c^{N.G} \sqrt{\sigma} = \left\{ 8\pi \left(n - \frac{1}{12} \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

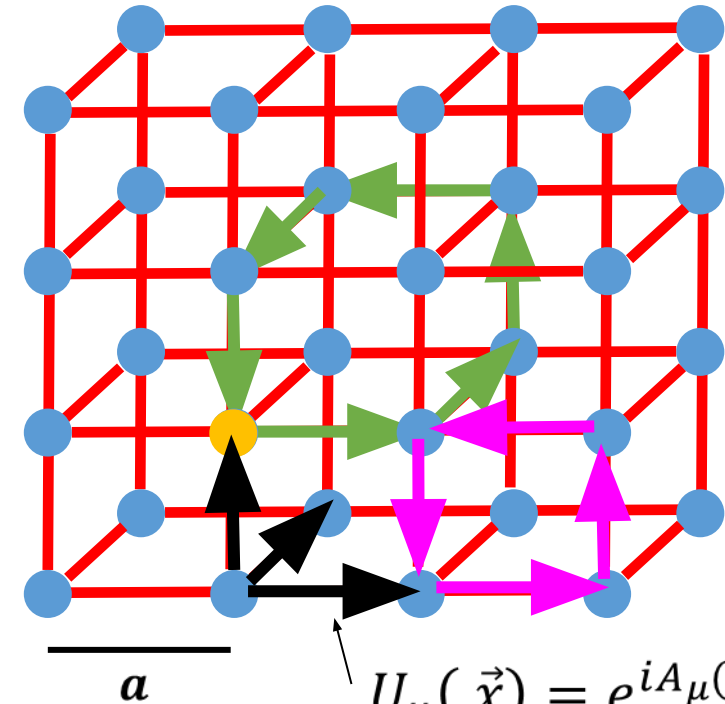
Relation to Nambu-Goto:

$$\frac{E_n(l)}{\sqrt{\sigma}} \stackrel{l \rightarrow \infty}{\cong} l\sqrt{\sigma} + \frac{c_1^{N.G}}{l\sqrt{\sigma}} + \frac{c_2^{N.G}}{(l\sqrt{\sigma})^3} + \frac{c_3^{N.G}}{(l\sqrt{\sigma})^5} + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{(l\sqrt{\sigma})^7} \right)$$

$$S_{eff} = \sigma r \tau + \int_0^\tau dt \int_0^r dx \frac{1}{2} \partial h \partial h + \sum_{n=2} c_n \int_0^\tau dt \int_0^r dx (\partial h)^{2n} + \dots$$

The Lattice

- Lattice is a mathematical trick
 - We discretised the Space time to a Hyper Cubic Lattice
 - We obtain physics at lattice spacing $a \rightarrow 0$
 - a is the minimum length (cutoff)
- It defines Quantum Field Theory as a limiting process
- Allows numerical calculations:
 - In hadron scales $g^2/4\pi \sim O(10)$ while $e^2/4\pi \sim 1/137$
 - There is no small parameter for expansion



$$U_\mu(\vec{x}) = e^{iA_\mu(\vec{x})} \in SU(N)$$

- Expectation value:

Gauge Invariant

$$\langle O(A, \bar{q}, q) \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \prod_x dA(x) d\bar{q}(x) dq(x) O(A, q, \bar{q}) e^{-S_{QCD}(A, \psi, \bar{\psi})}$$

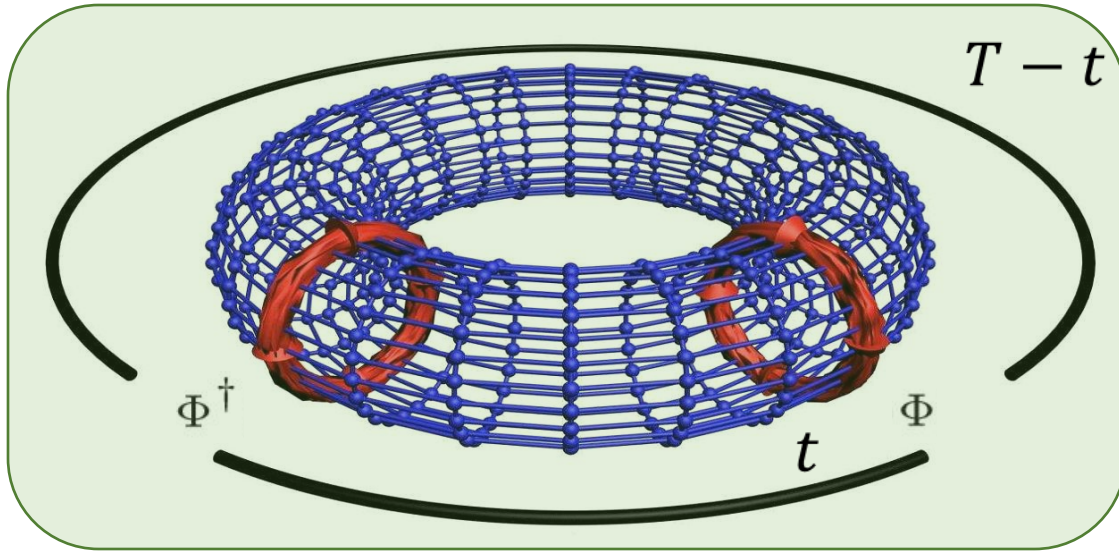


Yang-Mills theory on the Lattice

$$S_L = \beta \sum_p \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{N} \text{ReTr} U_p \right\}$$

$$\beta = \frac{2N}{g^2} (D = 3 + 1)$$

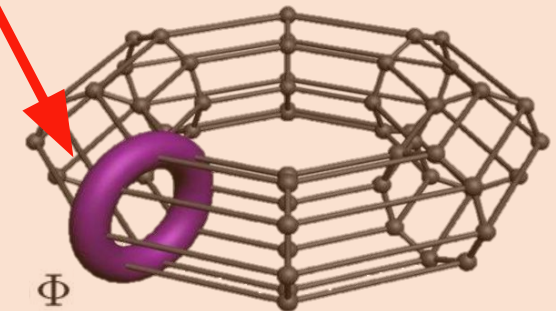
Lattice Calculation: Correlation Function



$$\begin{aligned}
 C(t) &= \langle \Phi^\dagger(t) \Phi(0) \rangle \\
 &= \langle \Phi^\dagger(0) e^{-Ht} \Phi(0) \rangle \\
 &= |\langle 0 | \Phi(0) | vac \rangle|^2 e^{-E_0 t} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{n=1} |\langle n | \Phi(0) | vac \rangle|^2 e^{-E_n t} \\
 &\xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} |\langle 0 | \Phi(0) | vac \rangle|^2 e^{-E_0 t}
 \end{aligned}$$

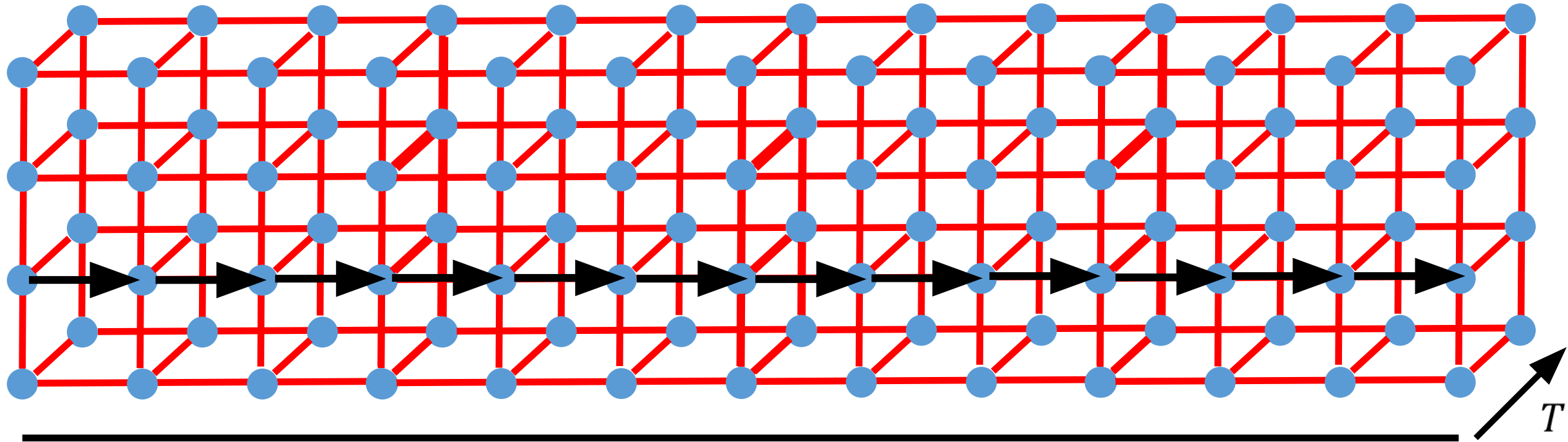
- Construct a large basis of Operators $\Phi_i : i = 1, 2, \dots$
- Calculate the correlation function (Matrix) $C_{ij}(t) = \langle \Phi_i^\dagger(t) \Phi_j(0) \rangle$
- Diagonalize the matrix $C^{-1}(t=0)C(t=a)$
- Extract the eigenvectors
- Extract the correlator for each state ($\sim e^{-E_n t}$)
- By fitting the results, we extract the mass (energy) for each state

RIGHT QUANTUM NUMBERS



Operators Building

We build the path order product of links along the spatial direction \rightarrow Polyakov Loop



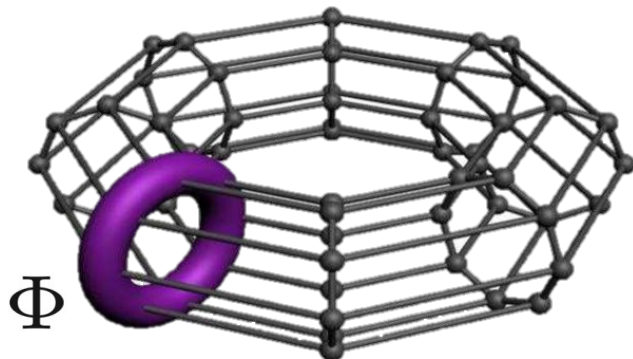
Polyakov Loop

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As N increases computational time increases as N^3

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix} \text{ For } N = 3, \text{ we have } N^3 \text{ multiplications}$$

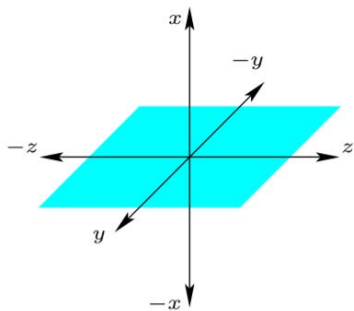
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + a_{13}b_{31} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} + a_{13}b_{32} & a_{11}b_{13} + a_{12}b_{23} + a_{13}b_{33} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} + a_{23}b_{31} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} + a_{23}b_{32} & a_{21}b_{13} + a_{22}b_{23} + a_{23}b_{33} \\ a_{31}b_{11} + a_{32}b_{21} + a_{33}b_{31} & a_{31}b_{12} + a_{32}b_{22} + a_{33}b_{32} & a_{31}b_{13} + a_{32}b_{23} + a_{33}b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$



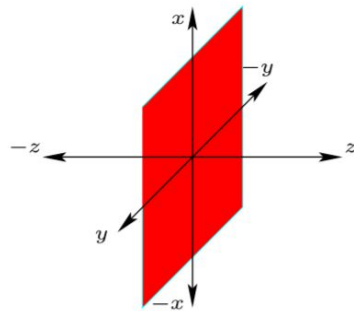
What
Quantum Numbers
Can we give to this
Object???

Parity

\mathcal{P} -Parity reflection plane



\mathcal{R} -Parity reflection plane



Translation to Strings (phonons) in D=2+1

$P_{\mathcal{P}}$ Parity:

- Under $P_{\mathcal{P}}$ parity $(x_{||}, x_{\perp}) \rightarrow (x_{||}, -x_{\perp})$ and, therefore, $\alpha_{-k} \longleftrightarrow -\alpha_{-k}$ and $\bar{\alpha}_{-k} \longleftrightarrow -\bar{\alpha}_{-k}$.
- The parity of a state is given:

$$P_{\mathcal{P}} = (-1)^{\text{number of phonons}}$$

- For instance:

- Even number of phonons, for example $\alpha_{-2}\bar{\alpha}_{-1}|0\rangle$, transforms as $P_{\mathcal{P}} = +$.
- Odd number of phonons, for example $\alpha_{-1}|0\rangle$, transforms as $P_{\mathcal{P}} = -$.

$P_{\mathcal{R}}$ Parity:

- Under $P_{\mathcal{R}}$ Parity: $\alpha_{-k} \longleftrightarrow \bar{\alpha}_{-k}$
- Only useful in the $q = 0$ sector
- The only non-null pair of states with $P_{\mathcal{R}} = \pm$ is for $P_{\mathcal{P}} = -$:

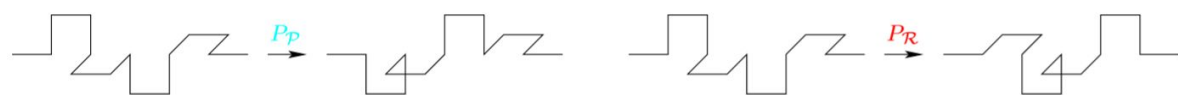
$$\{\alpha_{-2}\bar{\alpha}_{-1}\bar{\alpha}_{-1} \pm \alpha_{-1}\alpha_{-1}\bar{\alpha}_{-2}\}|0\rangle$$

- This is quite heavy!
- In practice this Quantum Number is of minor utility.

In D=2+1

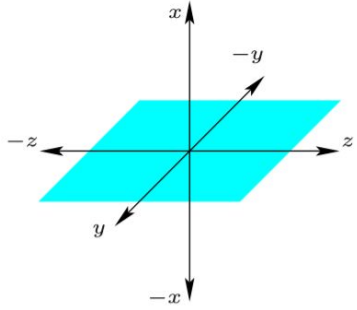


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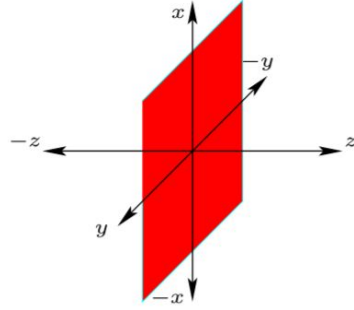


Parity & Spin

\mathcal{P} -Parity reflection plane



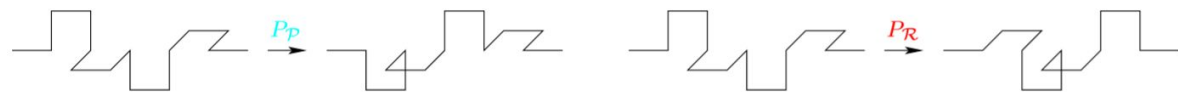
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In D=2+1



In D=3+1



Translation to Strings (phonons) in D=3+1

We have two transverse directions

→ Define α_{-k}^+ and α_{-k}^- as (x, y are the transverse directions):

$$- \alpha_{-k}^+ = \alpha_{-k}^x + i\alpha_{-k}^y$$

$$- \alpha_{-k}^- = \alpha_{-k}^x - i\alpha_{-k}^y$$

→ Spin J .

$$- J = | \#(+) - \#(-) |$$

→ \mathcal{P} -Parity

$$- \text{Under } \mathcal{P}\text{-Parity: } \alpha_{-k}^+ \xleftrightarrow{P_{\mathcal{P}}} \alpha_{-k}^- \text{ \& } \bar{\alpha}_{-k}^+ \xleftrightarrow{P_{\mathcal{P}}} \bar{\alpha}_{-k}^-$$

→ \mathcal{R} -Parity

$$- \text{Under } \mathcal{R}\text{-Parity: } \alpha_{-k}^{\pm} \xleftrightarrow{P_{\mathcal{R}}} \bar{\alpha}_{-k}^{\pm}$$

• Example: $(\alpha_{-1}^+ \bar{\alpha}_{-1}^+ \pm \alpha_{-1}^- \bar{\alpha}_{-1}^-) | 0 \rangle$

$$- J = 2$$

$$- P_{\mathcal{P}} = \pm$$

$$- P_{\mathcal{R}} = +$$

Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

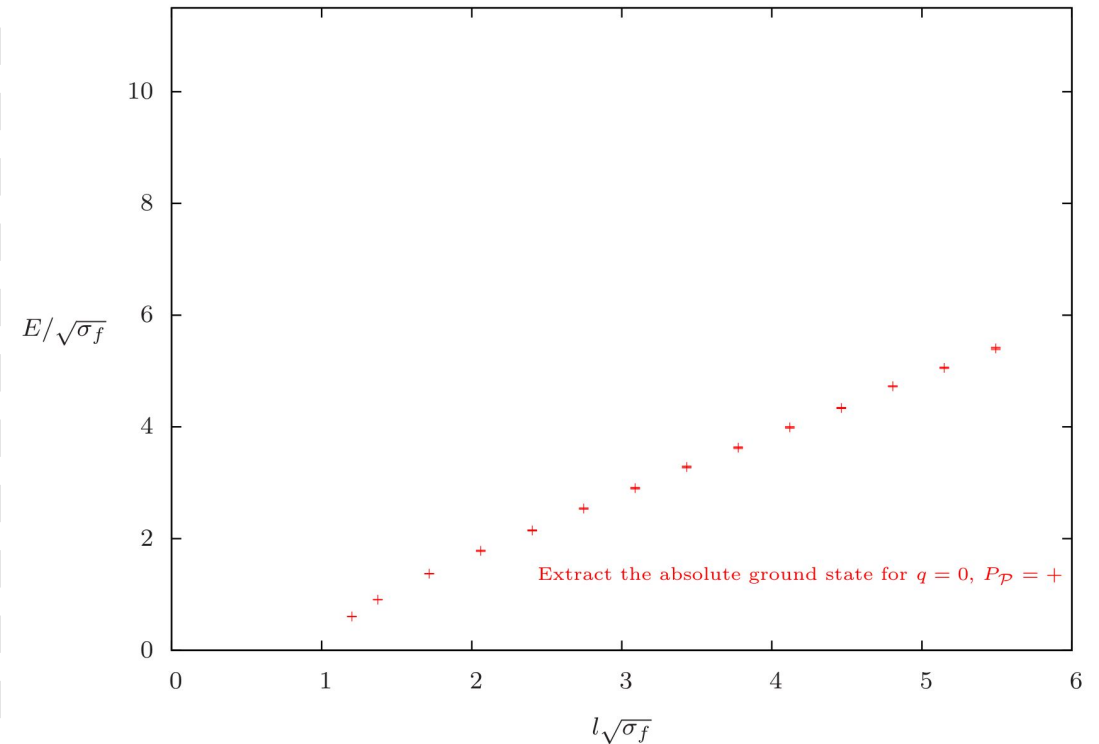
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Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
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Results for SU(6)

Positive Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

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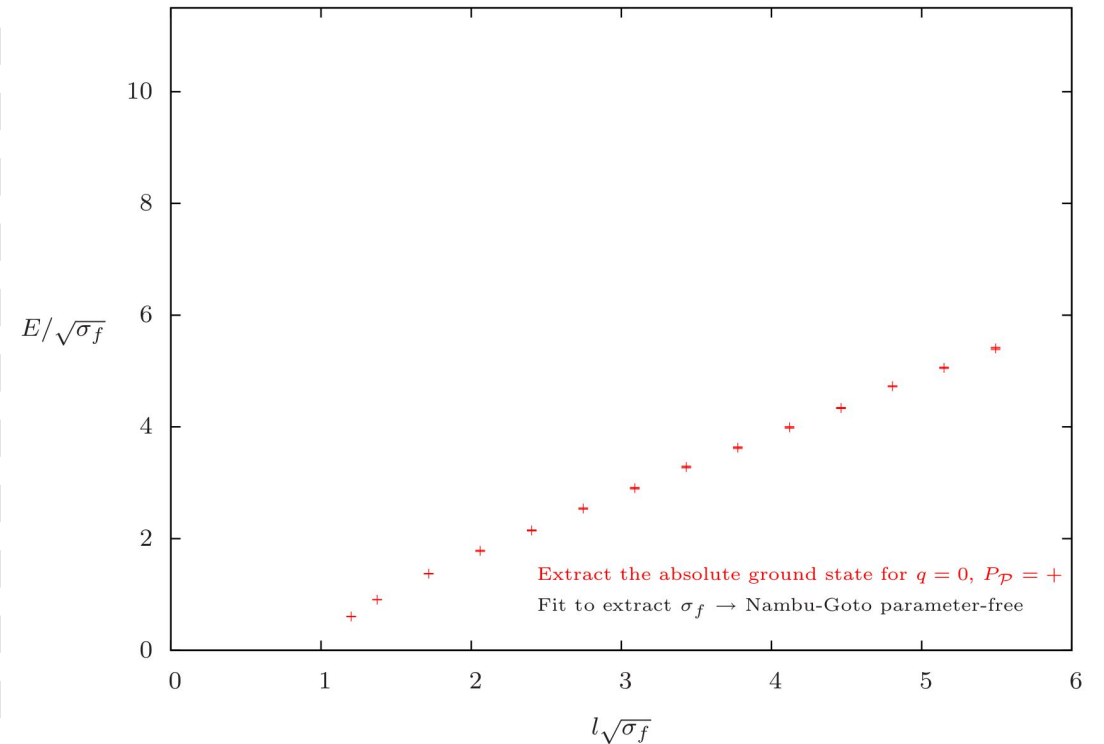
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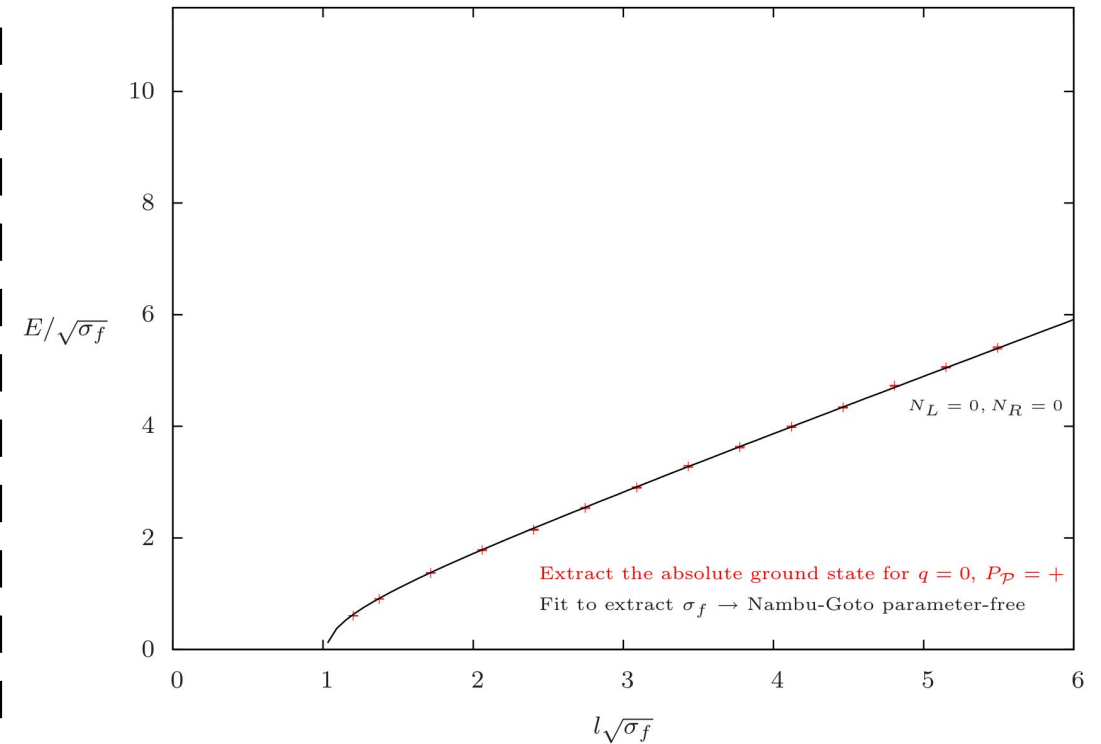
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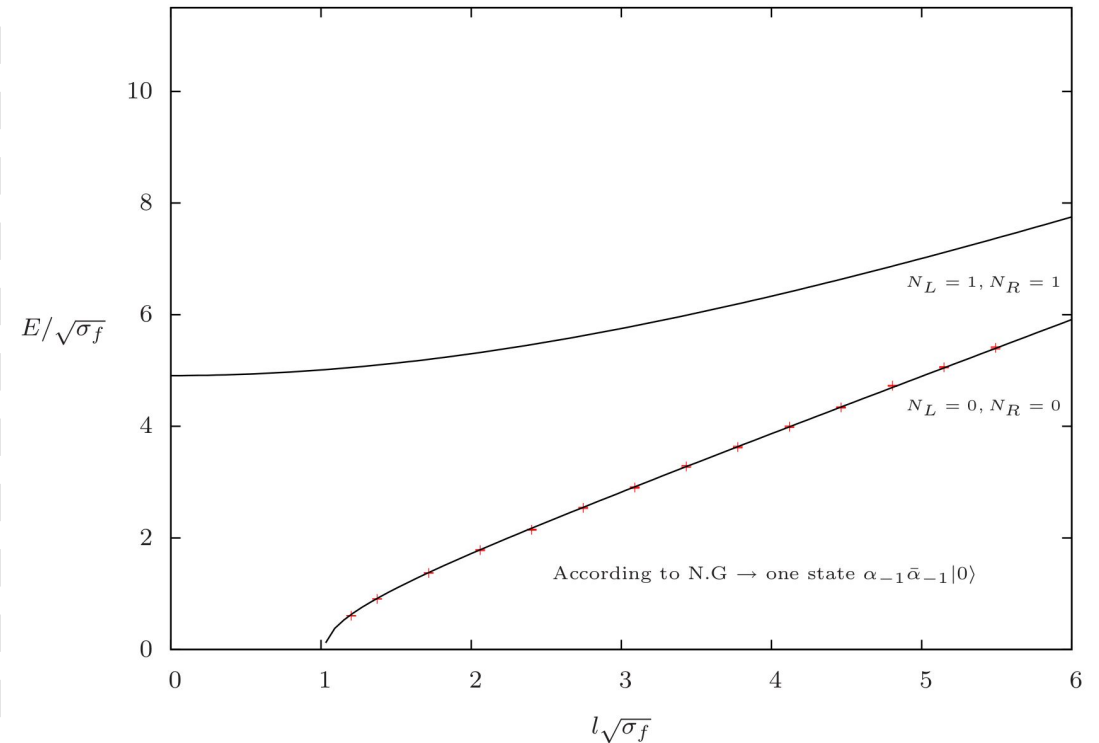
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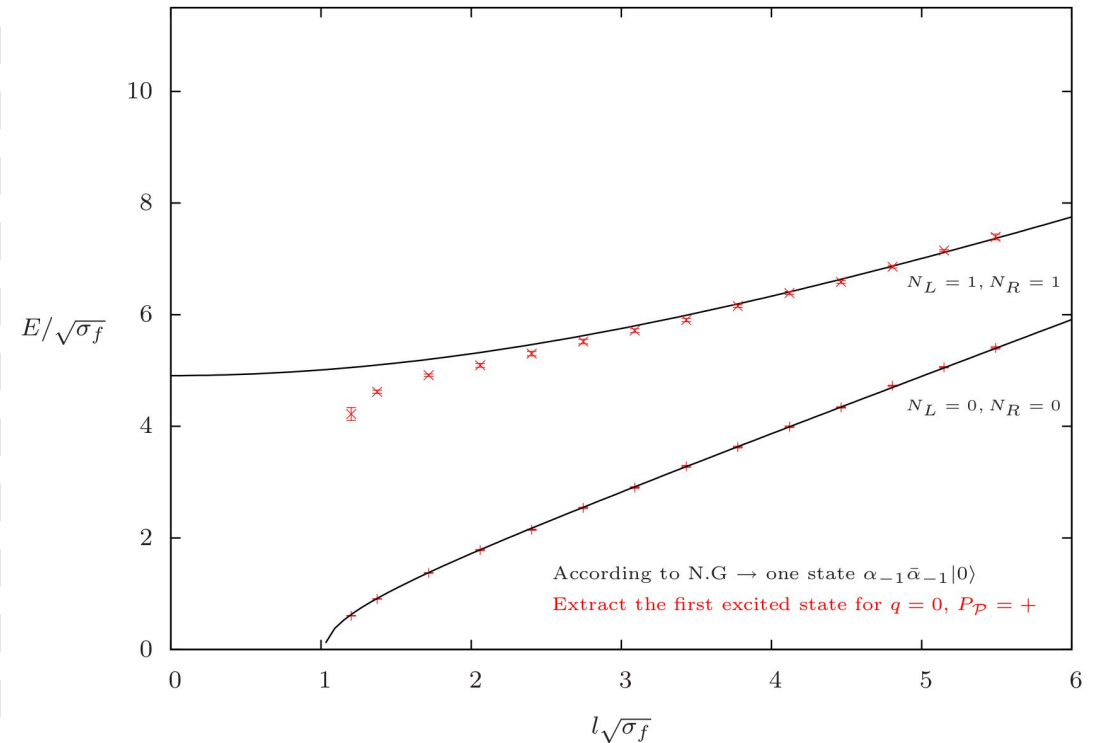
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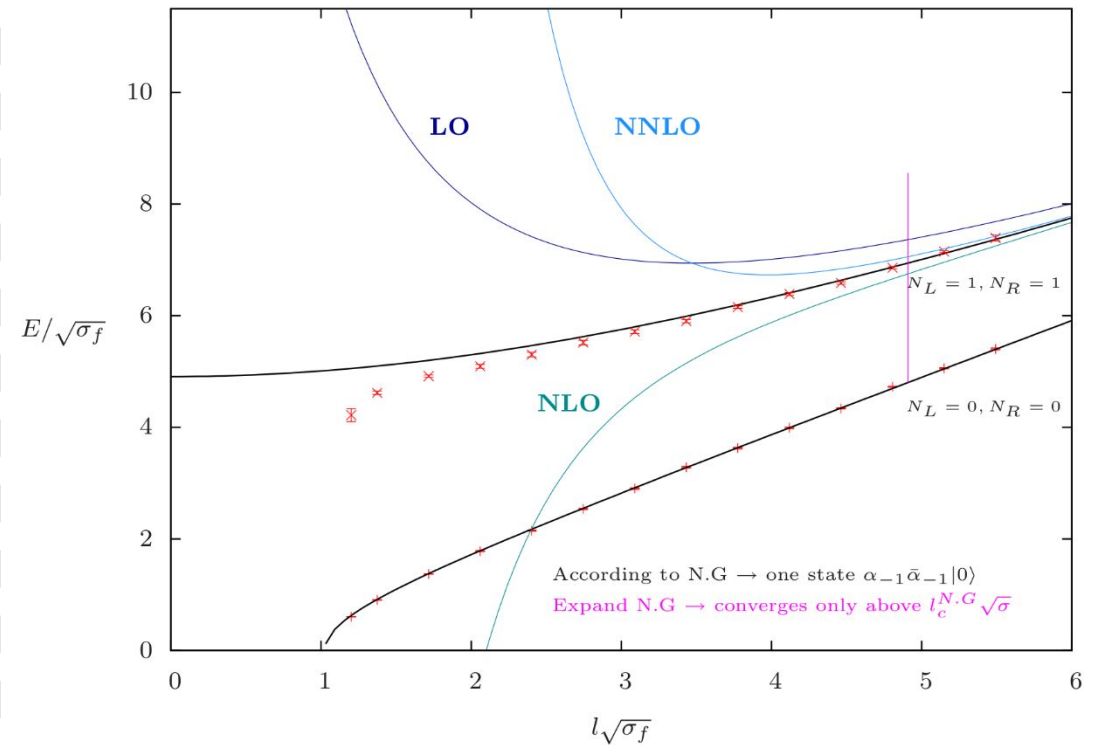
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Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
	●	●			

Results for SU(6)

Positive Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

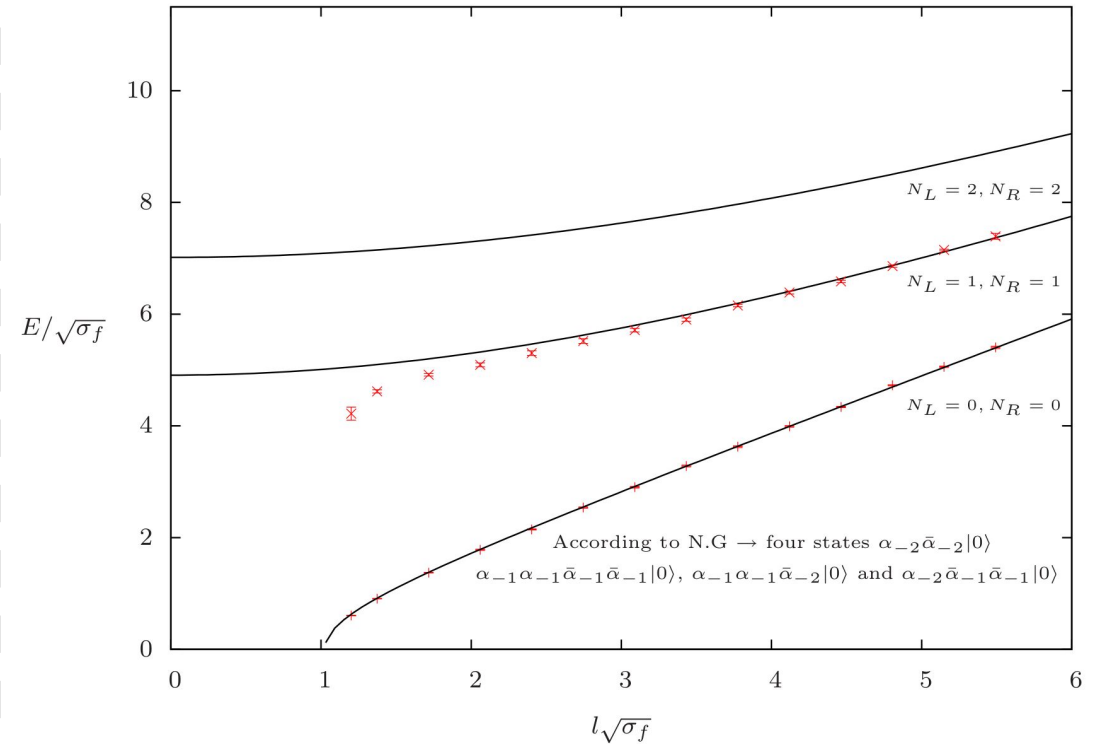
N_L, N_R	q	P	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	-	$a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	$a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+	$a_1 a_1 0\rangle$ $a_2 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	+	$a_2 a_{-1} 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 3, N_R = 0$	3	+	$a_2 a_1 0\rangle$ $a_3 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 2$	0	+	$a_2 a_{-2} 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$ $a_2 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_{-2} 0\rangle$

Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
	●	●			

Results for SU(6)

Positive Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

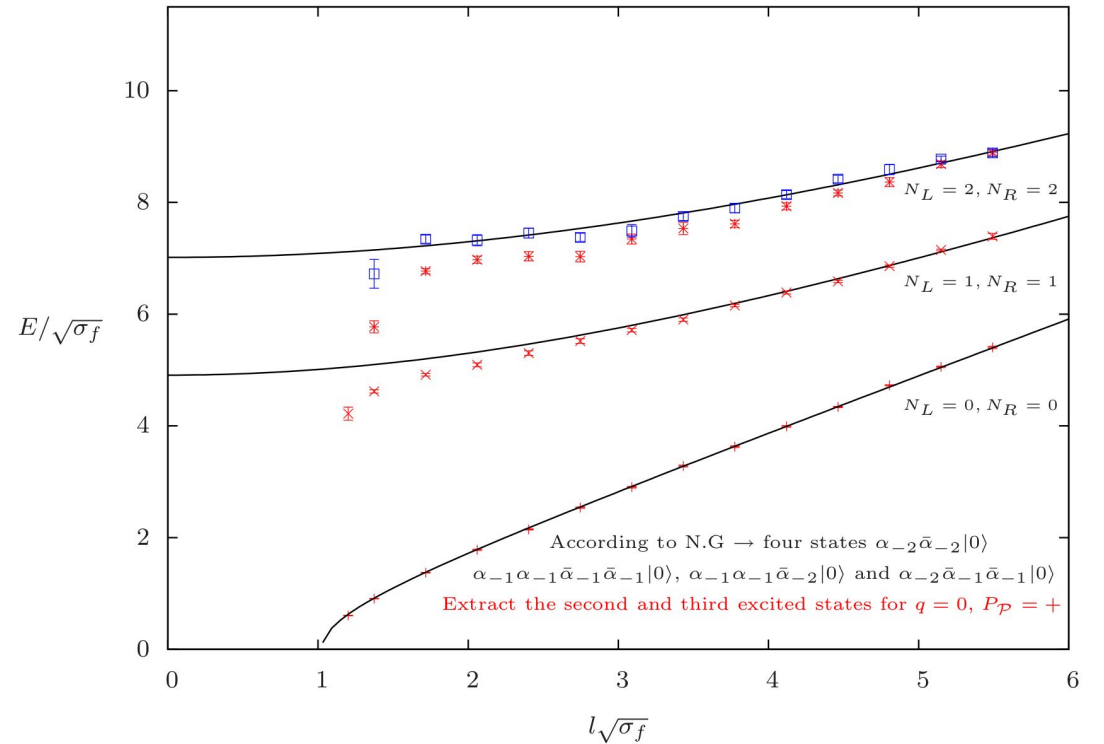
N_L, N_R	q	P	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	$ 0\rangle$
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$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	$a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+	$a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	+	$a_2 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 3, N_R = 0$	3	+	$a_2 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_3 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 2$	0	+	$a_2 a_{-2} 0\rangle$
		+	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-2} 0\rangle$

Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
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Results for SU(6)

Positive Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

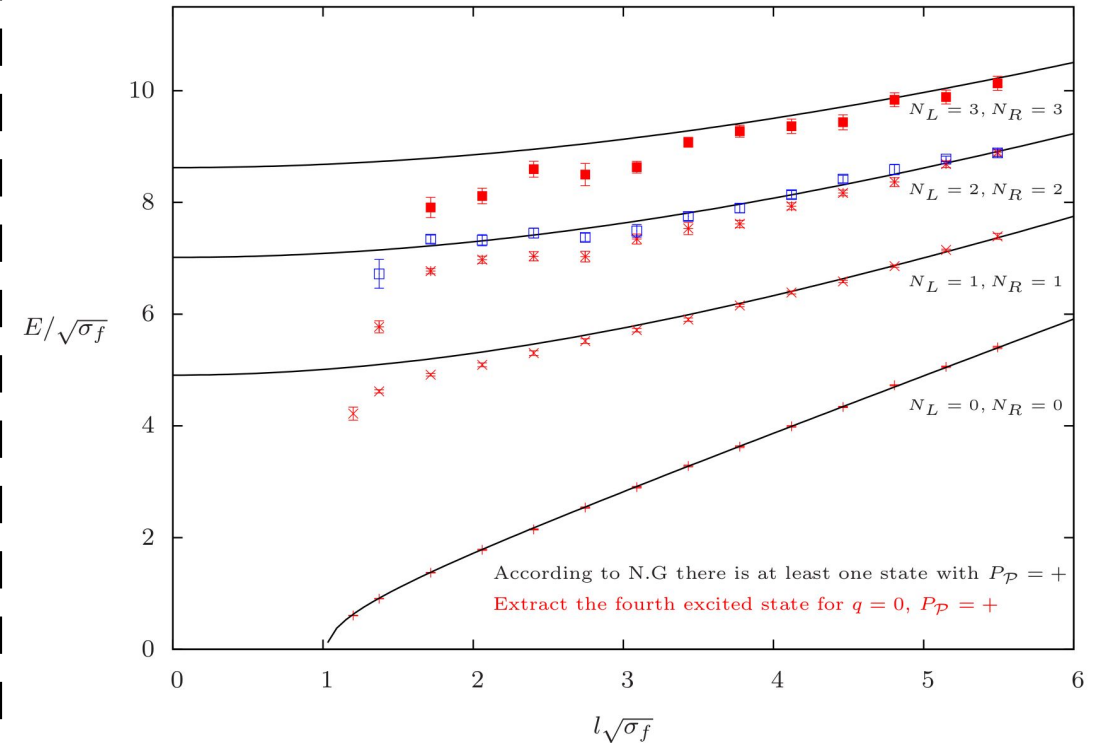
N_L, N_R	q	P	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	-	$a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	$a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+	$a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	+	$a_2 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 3, N_R = 0$	3	+	$a_2 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_3 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 2$	0	+	$a_2 a_{-2} 0\rangle$
		+	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-2} 0\rangle$

Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
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				●	●

Results for SU(6)

Positive Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

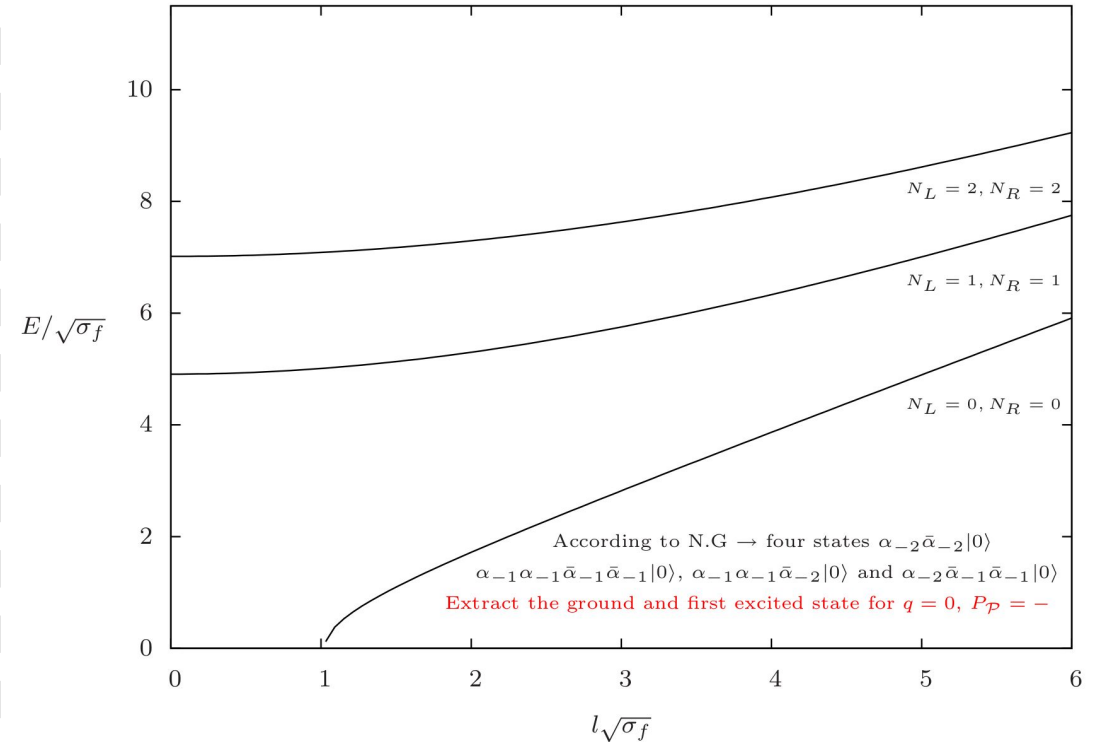
N_L, N_R	q	P	String State
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$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	-	$a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	$a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+	$a_1 a_1 0\rangle$ $a_2 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	+	$a_2 a_{-1} 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 3, N_R = 0$	3	+	$a_2 a_1 0\rangle$ $a_3 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 2$	0	+	$a_2 a_{-2} 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$ $a_2 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$ $a_1 a_1 a_{-2} 0\rangle$

Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
	●	●	●	●	●
				●	●

Results for SU(6)

Negative Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

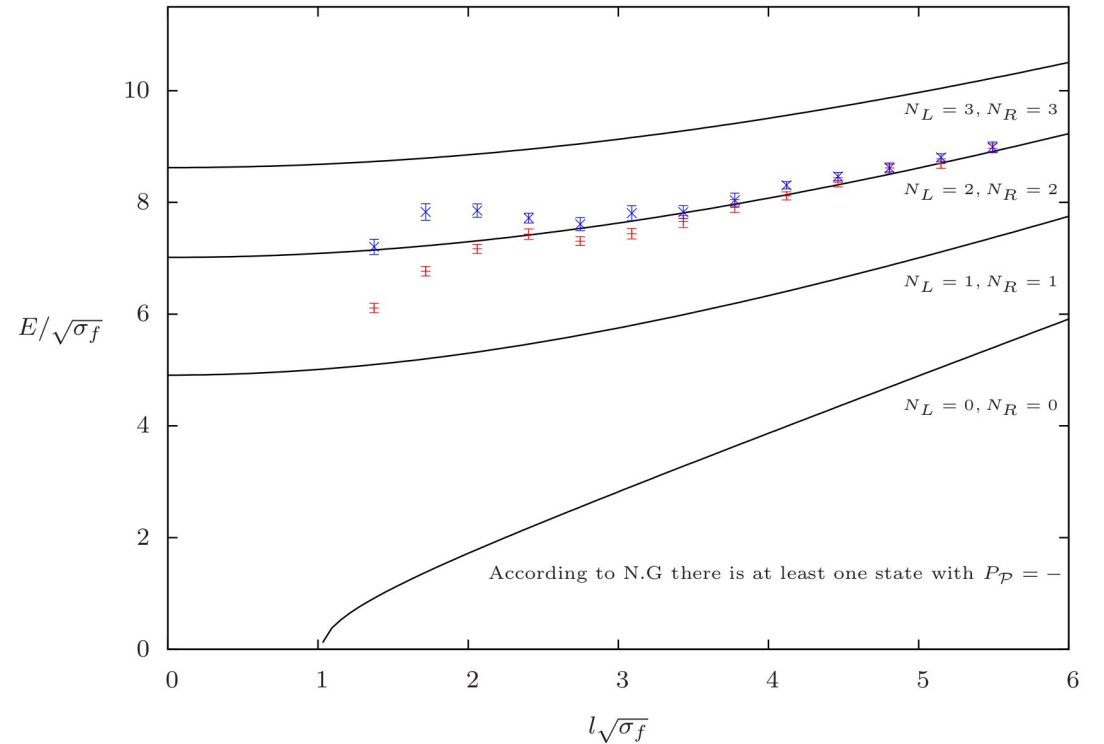
N_L, N_R	q	P	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	-	$a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	$a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+	$a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	+	$a_2 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 3, N_R = 0$	3	+	$a_2 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_3 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 2$	0	+	$a_2 a_{-2} 0\rangle$
		+	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-2} 0\rangle$

Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
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	●	●		●	●

Results for SU(6)

Negative Parity, $q=0$



Results: the D=2+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

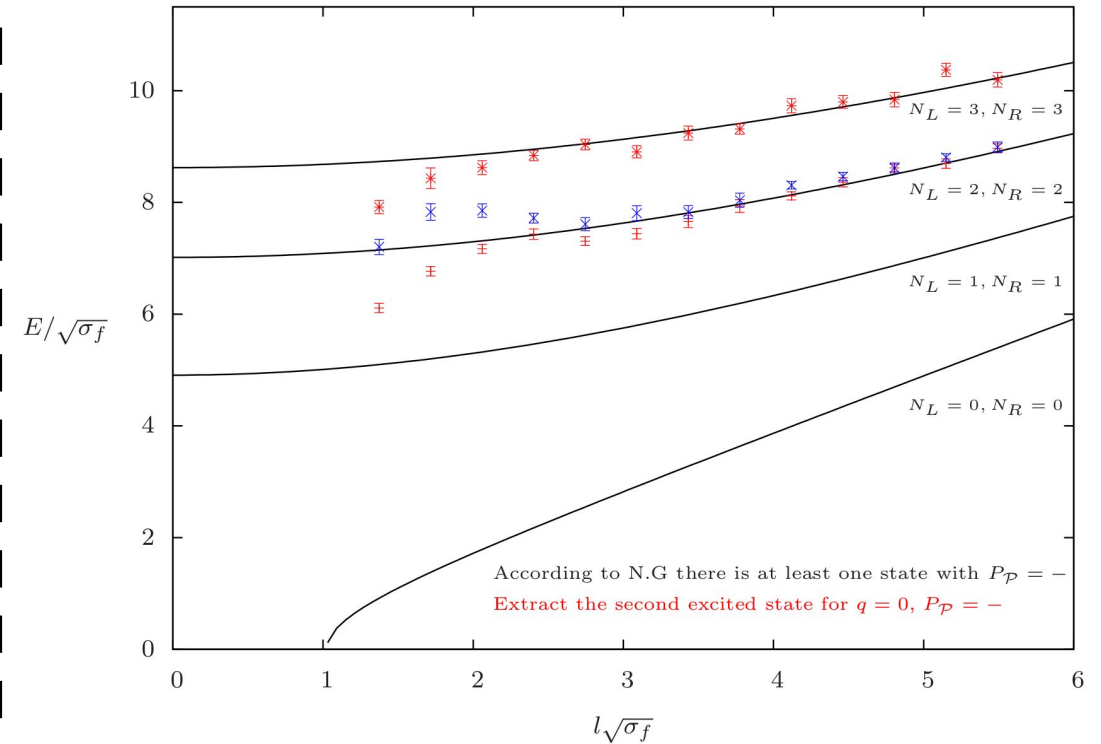
N_L, N_R	q	P	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	-	$a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	$a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+	$a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	+	$a_2 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} 0\rangle$
$N_L = 3, N_R = 0$	3	+	$a_2 a_1 0\rangle$
		-	$a_3 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_1 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 2$	0	+	$a_2 a_{-2} 0\rangle$
		+	$a_1 a_1 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_2 a_{-1} a_{-1} 0\rangle$
		-	$a_1 a_1 a_{-2} 0\rangle$

Lattice Channels:

Quantum numbers	Ground state	1 st excited state	2 nd excited state	3 rd excited state	4 th excited state
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	●	●	●	●	●

Results for SU(6)

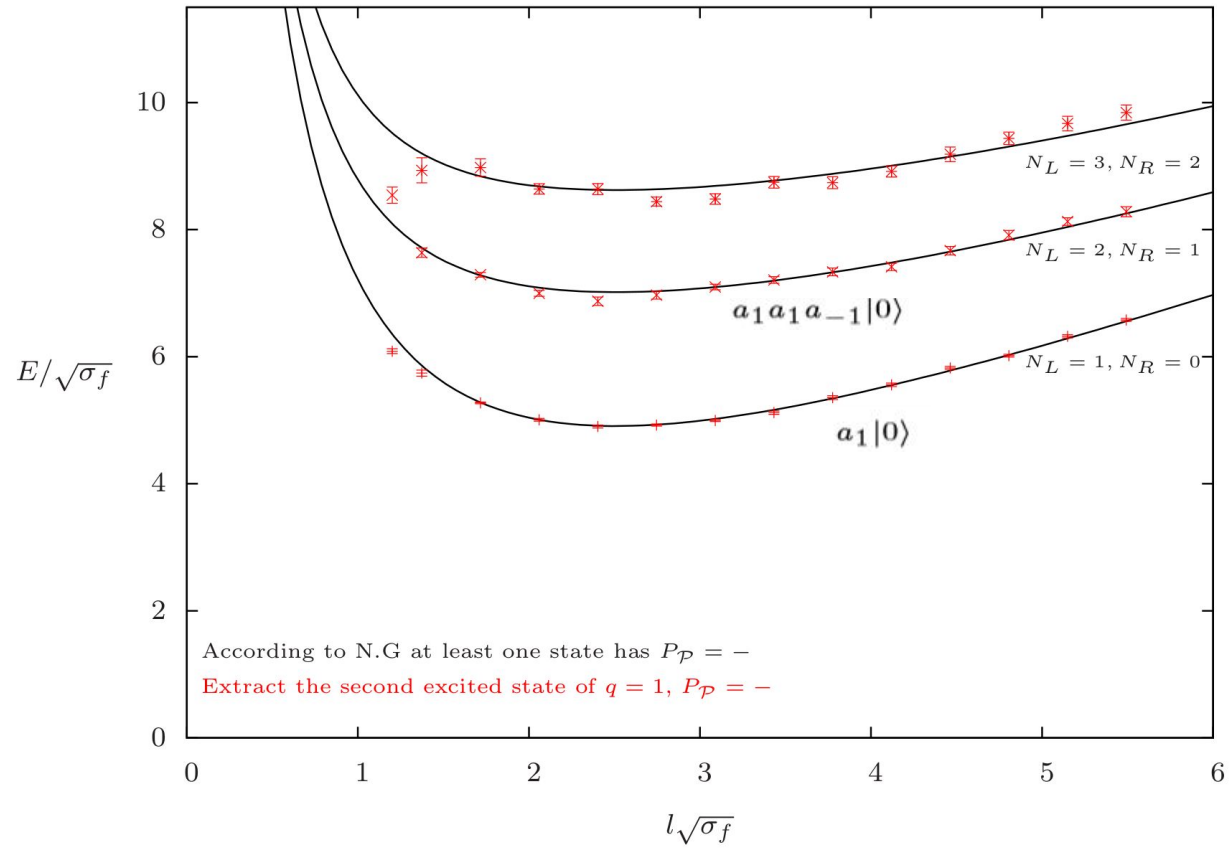
Negative Parity, $q=0$



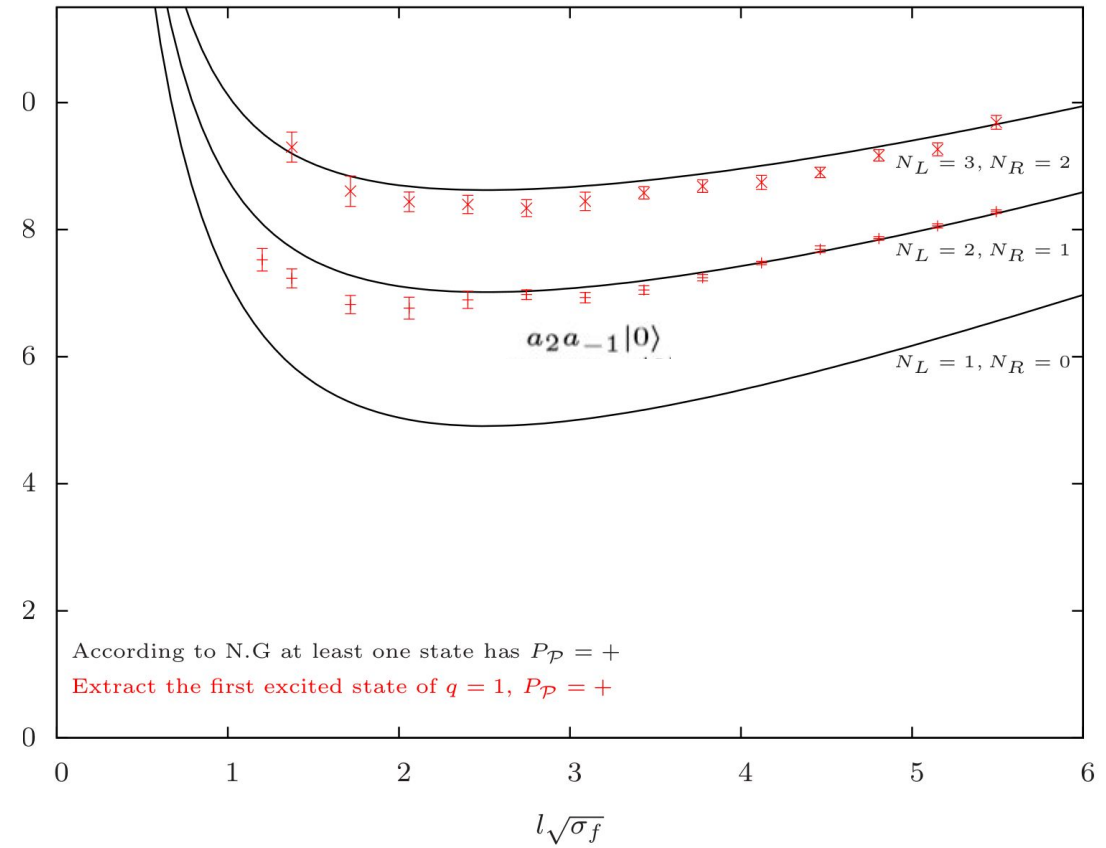
Results: the D=2+1 case

Results for SU(6)

Negative Parity, $q=1$



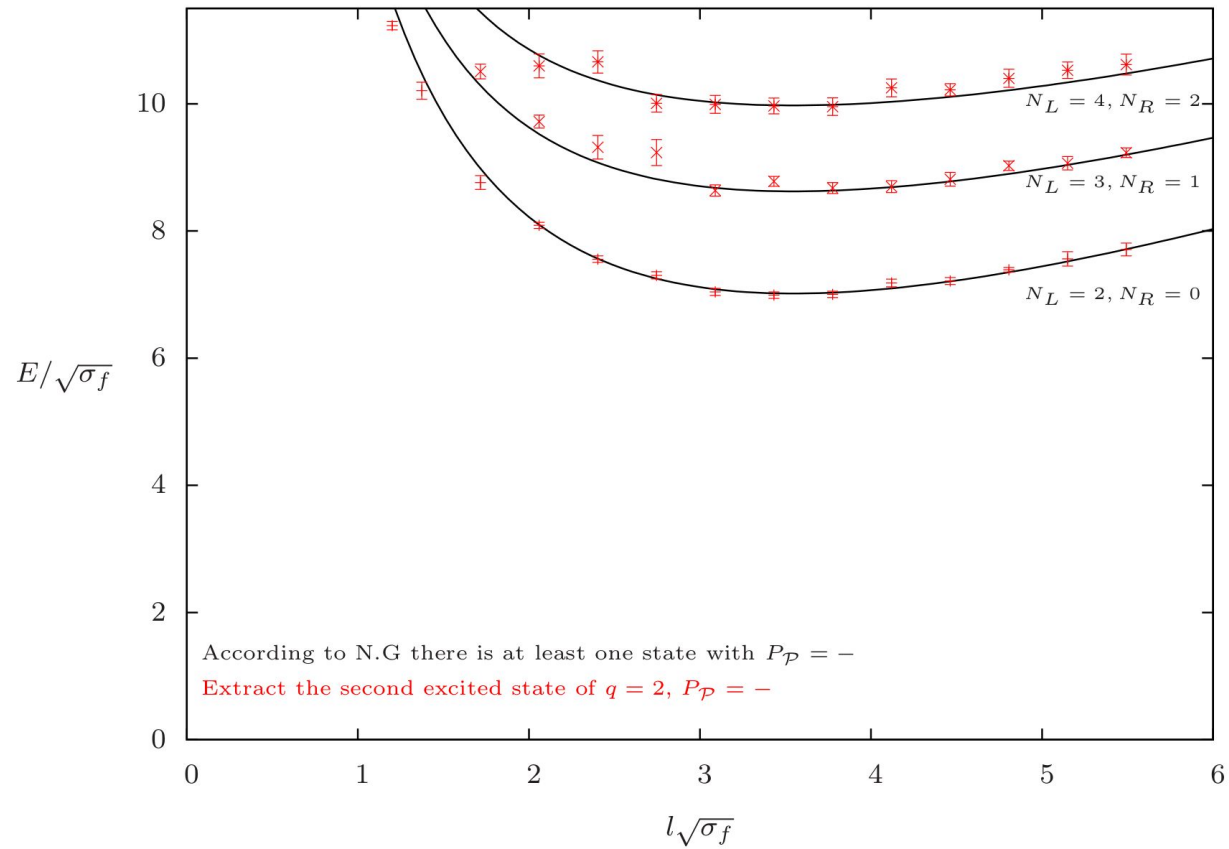
Positive Parity, $q=1$



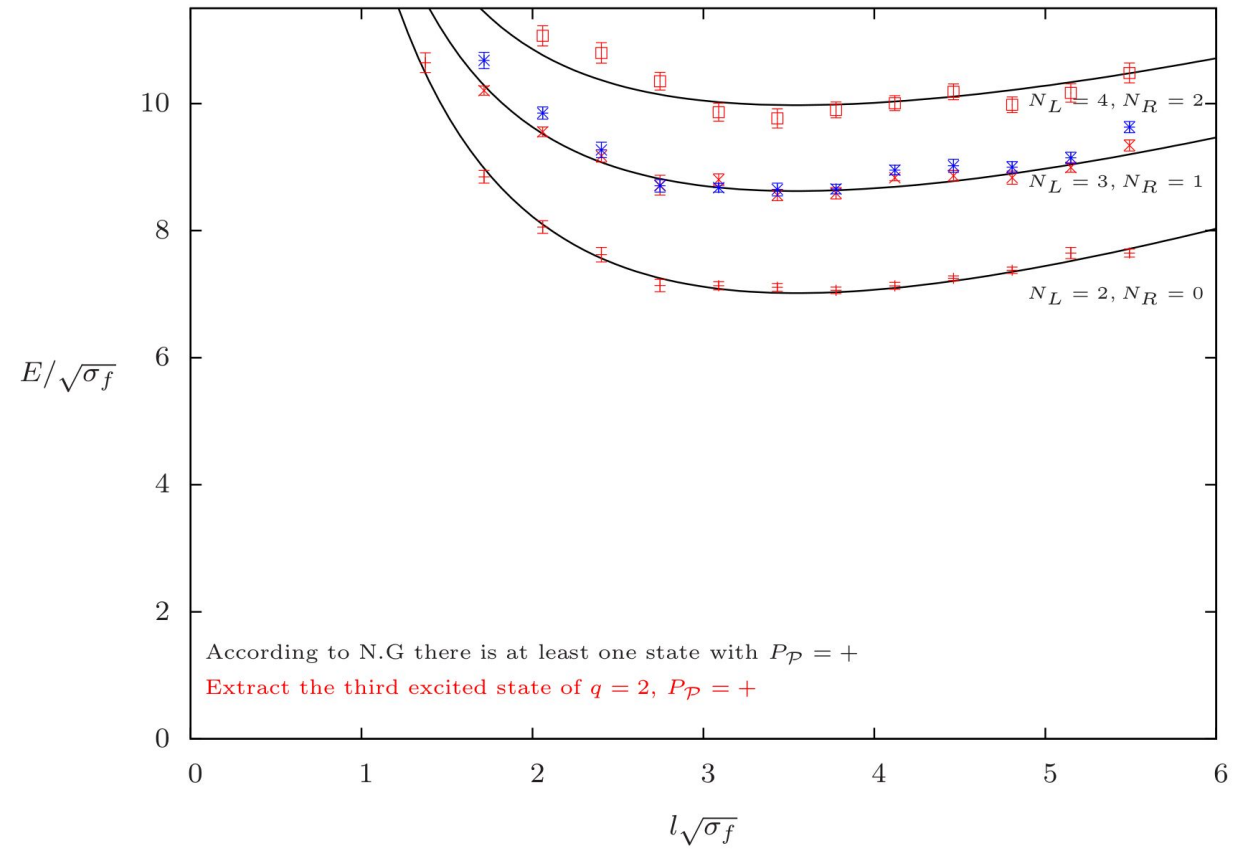
Results: the D=2+1 case

Results for SU(6)

Negative Parity, $q=2$



Positive Parity, $q=2$



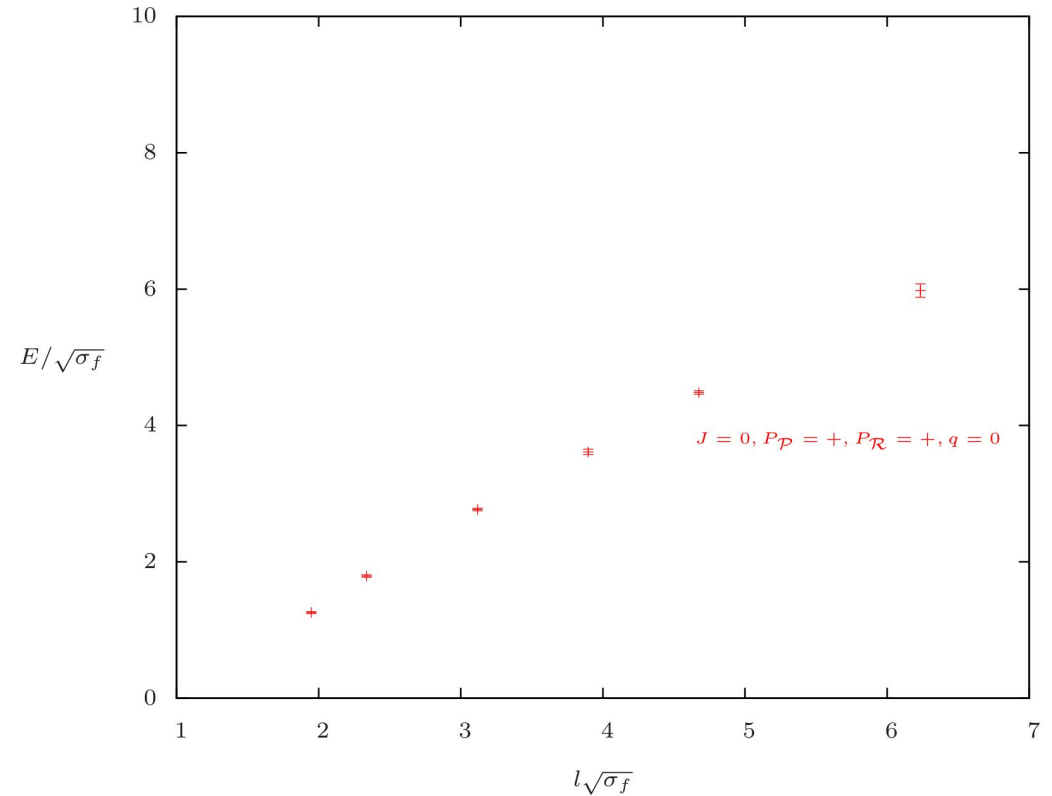
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground State $J = 0, P_{\mathcal{P}} = +, P_{\mathcal{R}} = +, q = 0$.



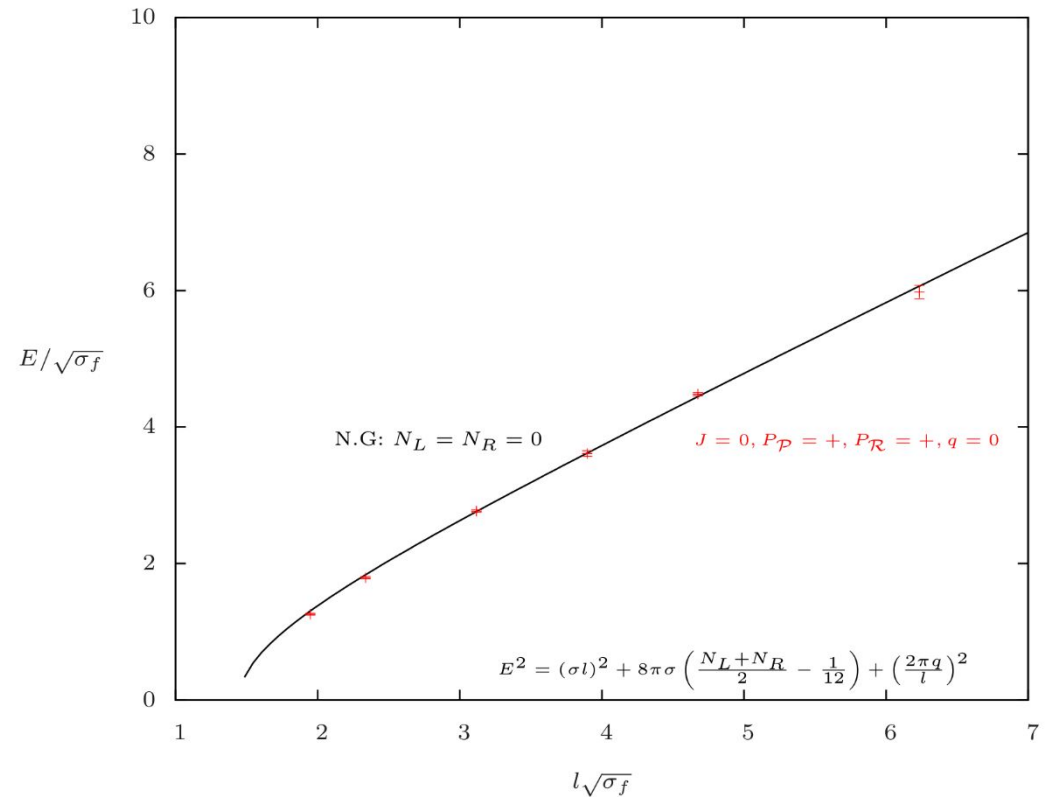
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground State $J = 0, P_{\mathcal{P}} = +, P_{\mathcal{R}} = +, q = 0$.



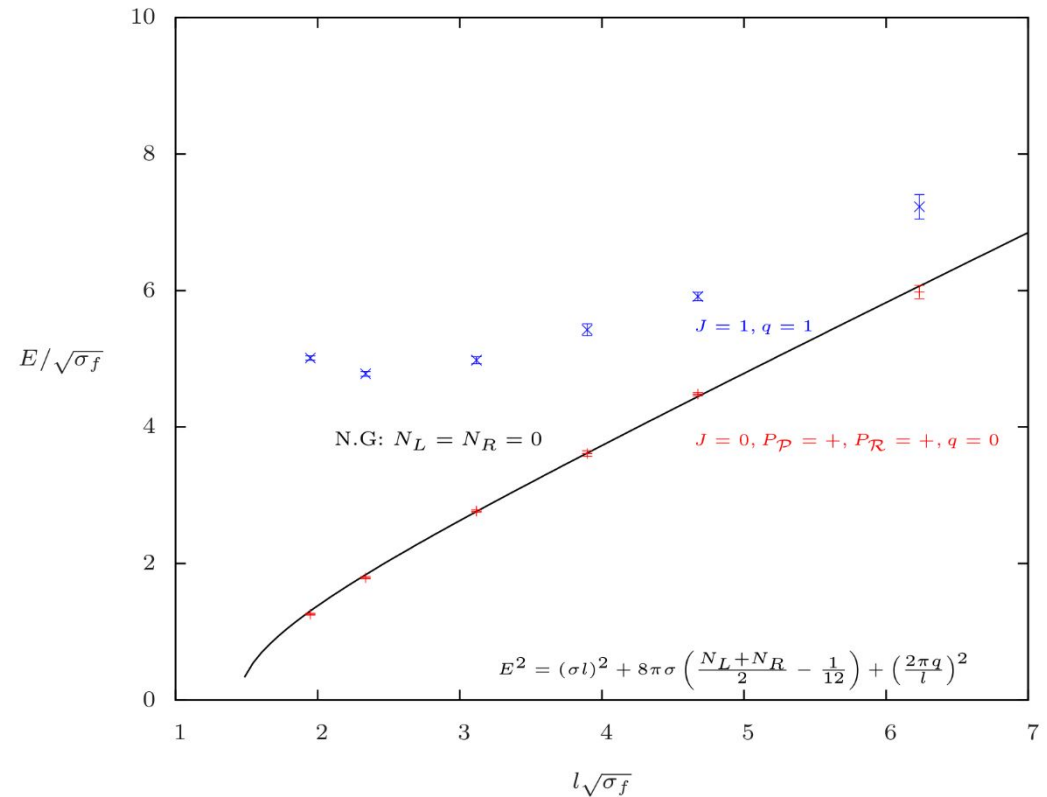
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground State $J = 1, q = 1$.



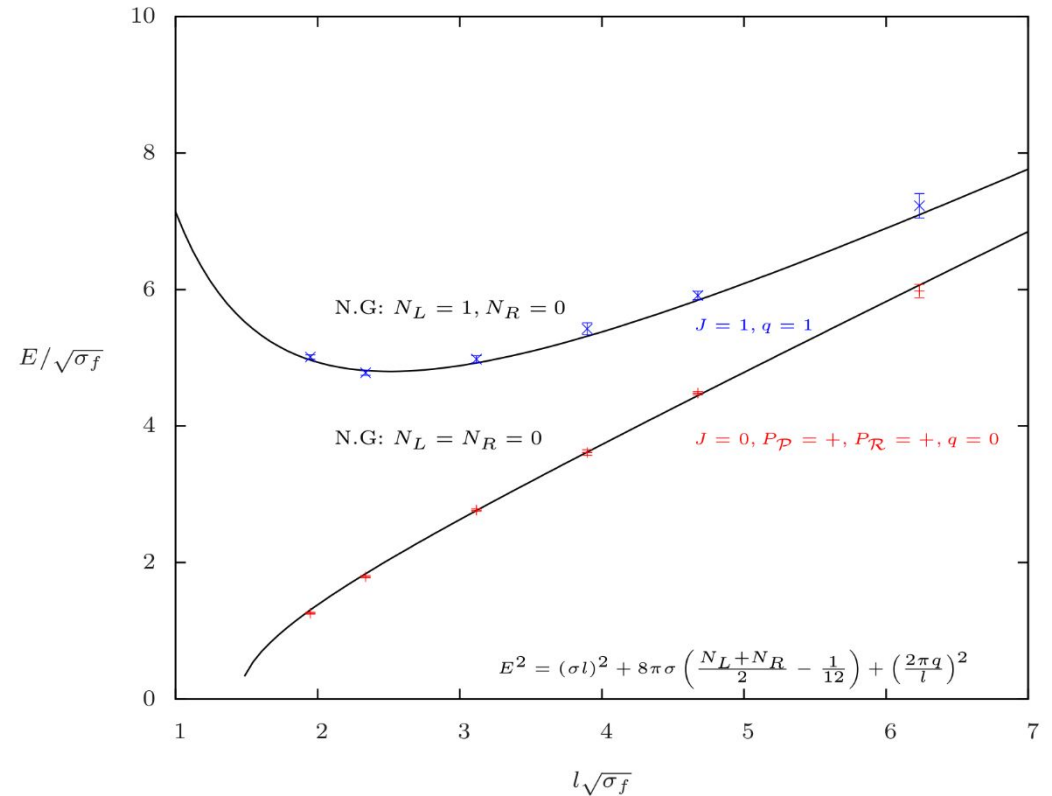
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground State $J = 1, q = 1$.



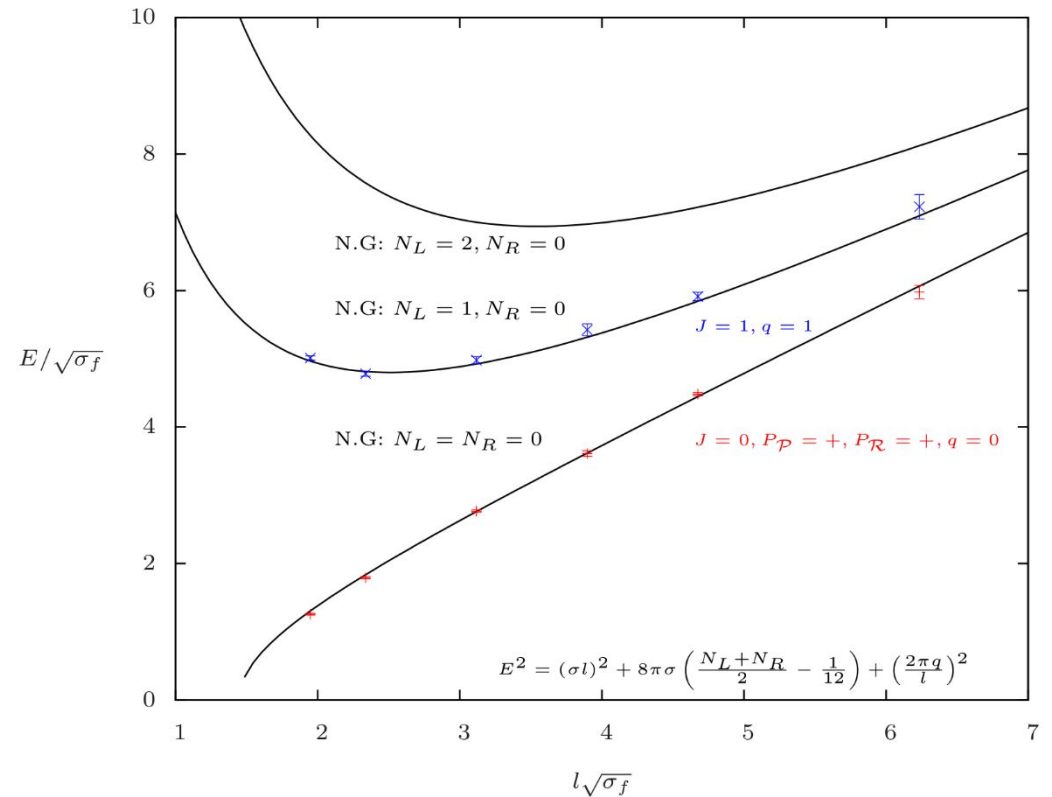
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground States for $N_L = 2, N_R = 0$.



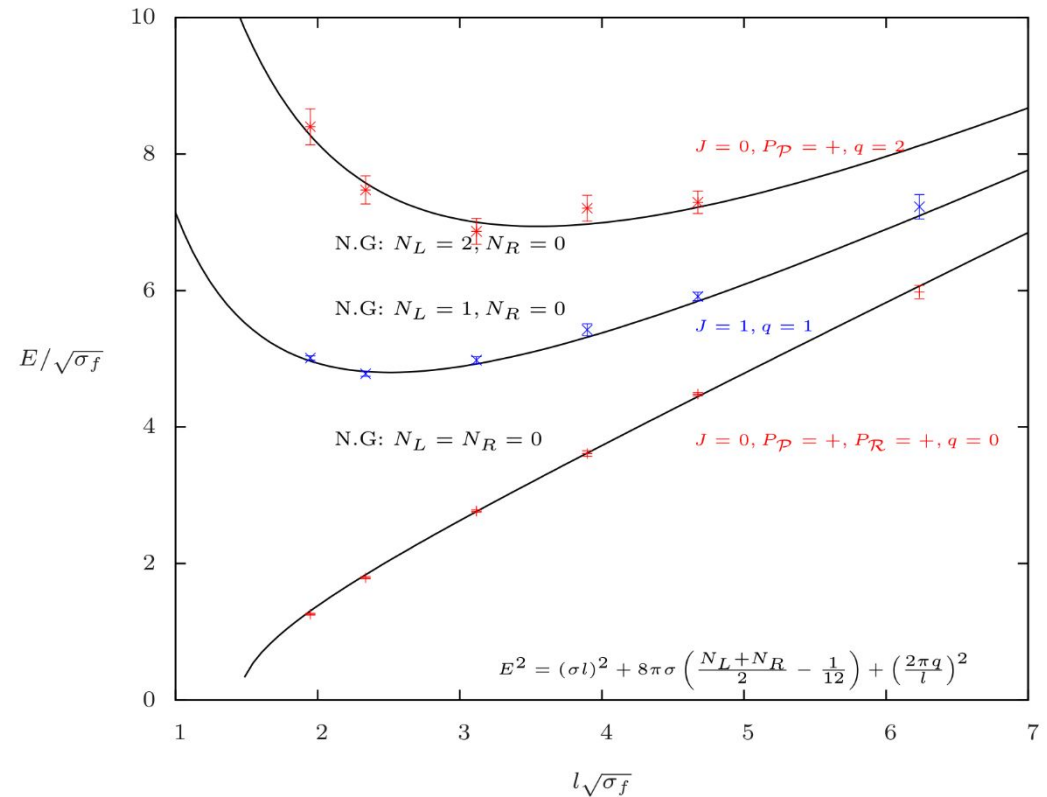
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground States for $N_L = 2, N_R = 0$.



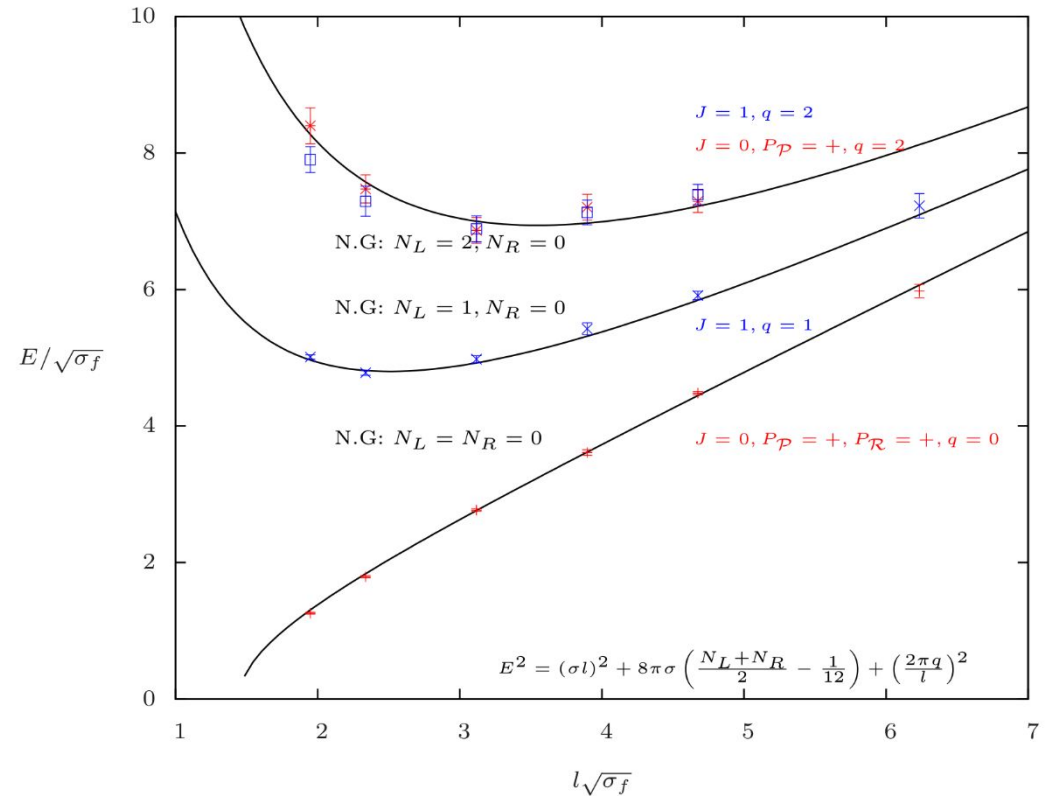
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground States for $N_L = 2, N_R = 0$.



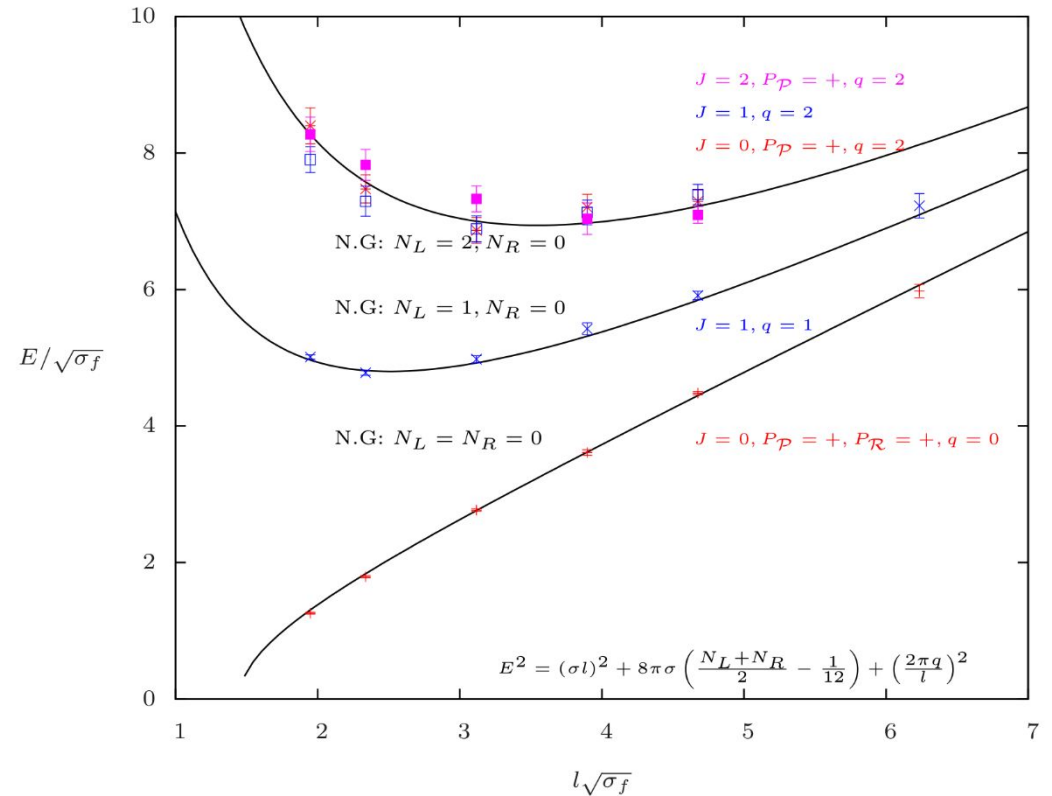
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground States for $N_L = 2, N_R = 0$.



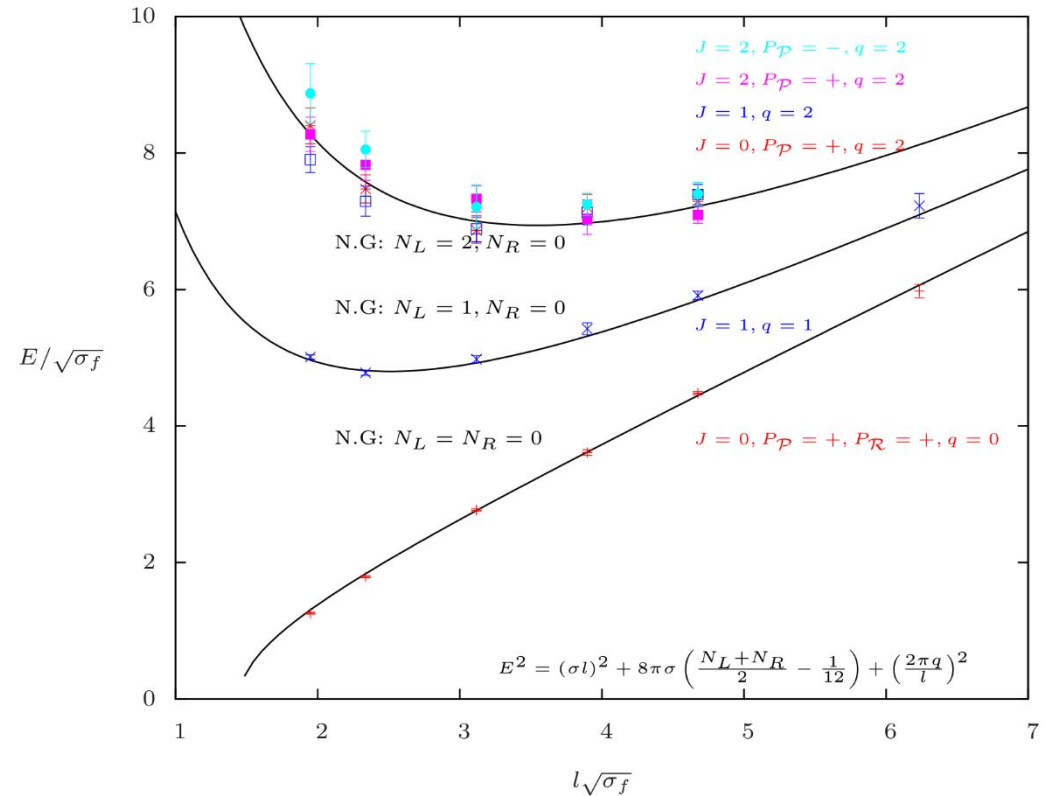
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and ground states for several values of q

Absolute Ground States for $N_L = 2, N_R = 0$.



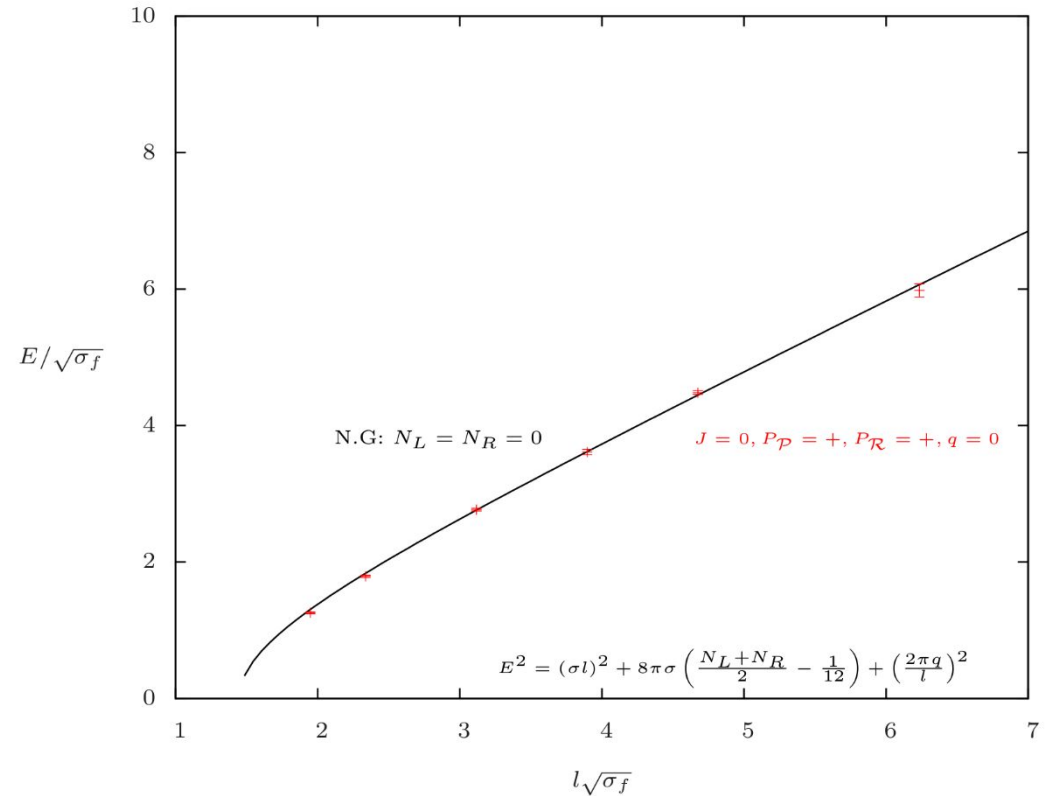
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$

First Excited State for $N_L = N_R = 1$.



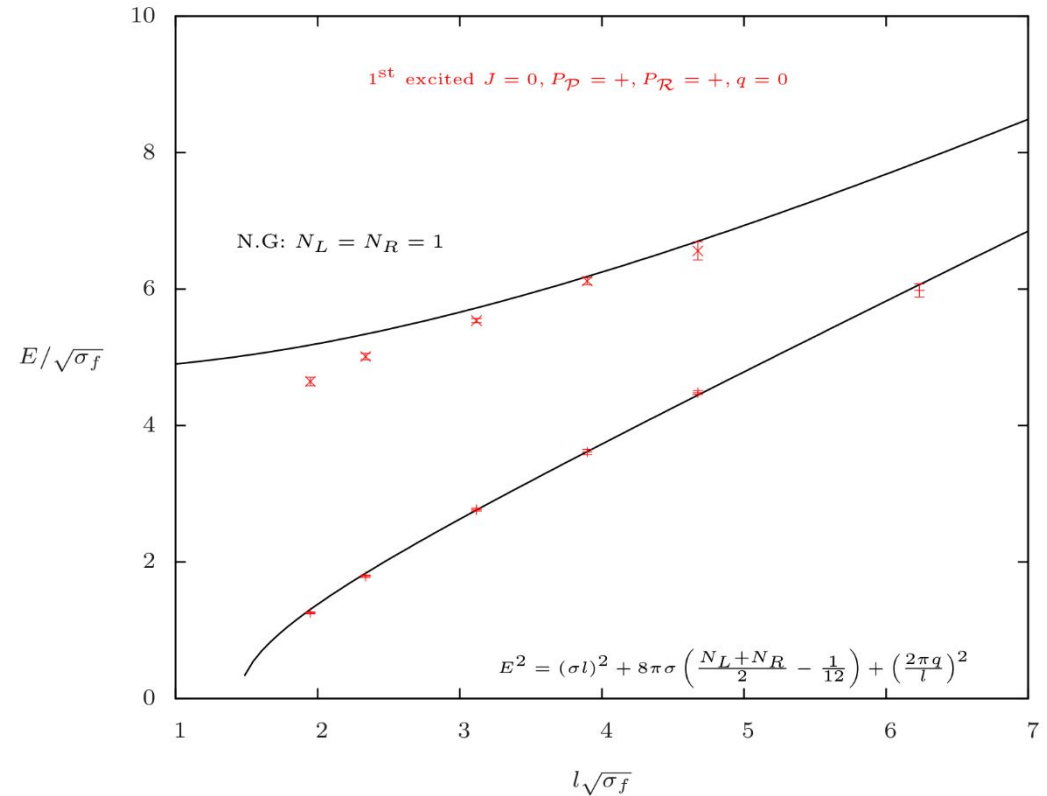
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$

First Excited State for $N_L = N_R = 1$.



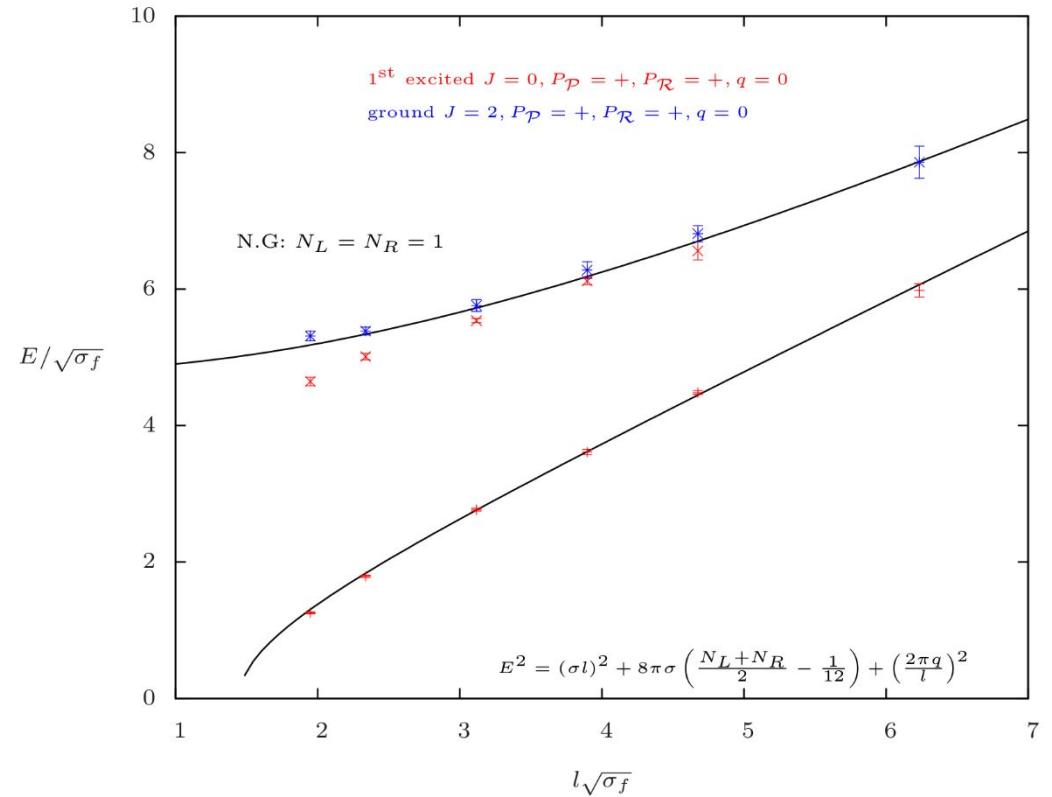
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$

First Excited State for $N_L = N_R = 1$.



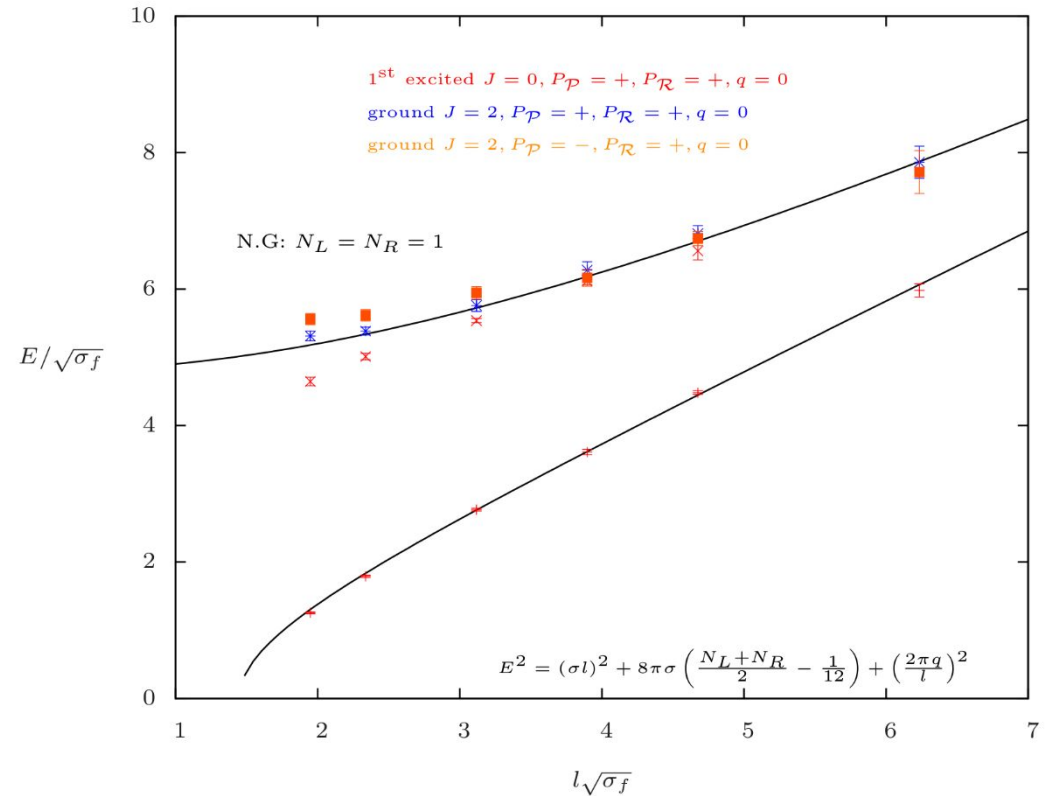
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$

First Excited State for $N_L = N_R = 1$.



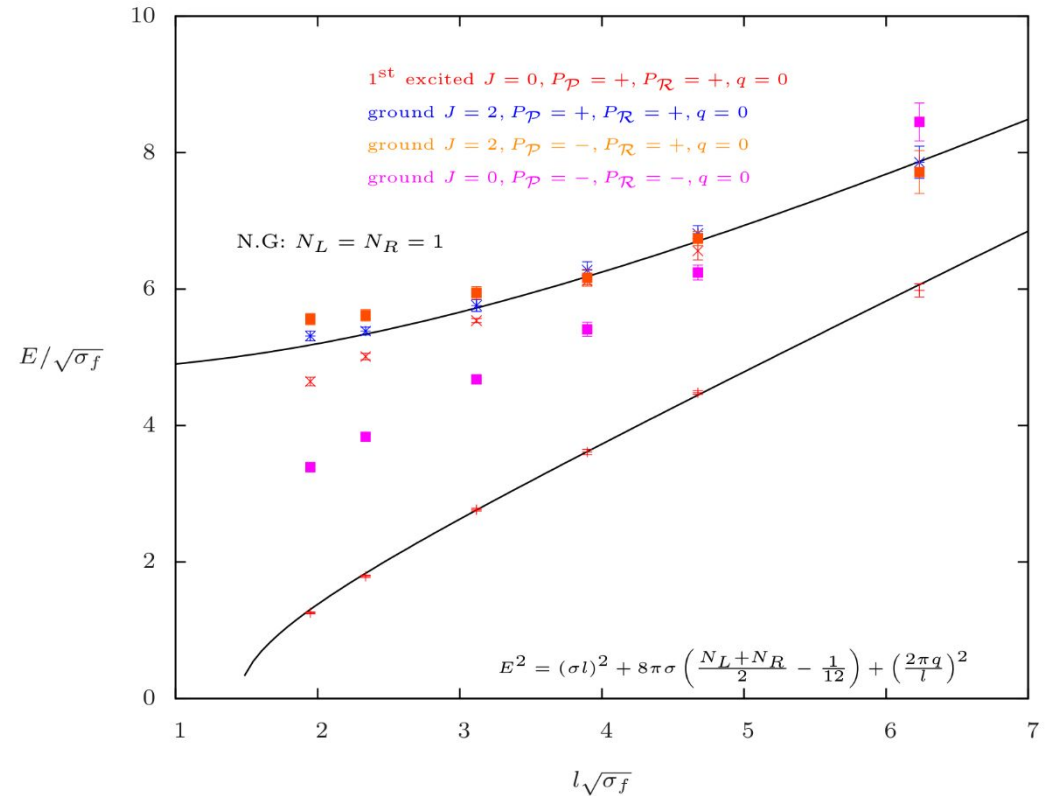
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$

First Excited State for $N_L = N_R = 1$.



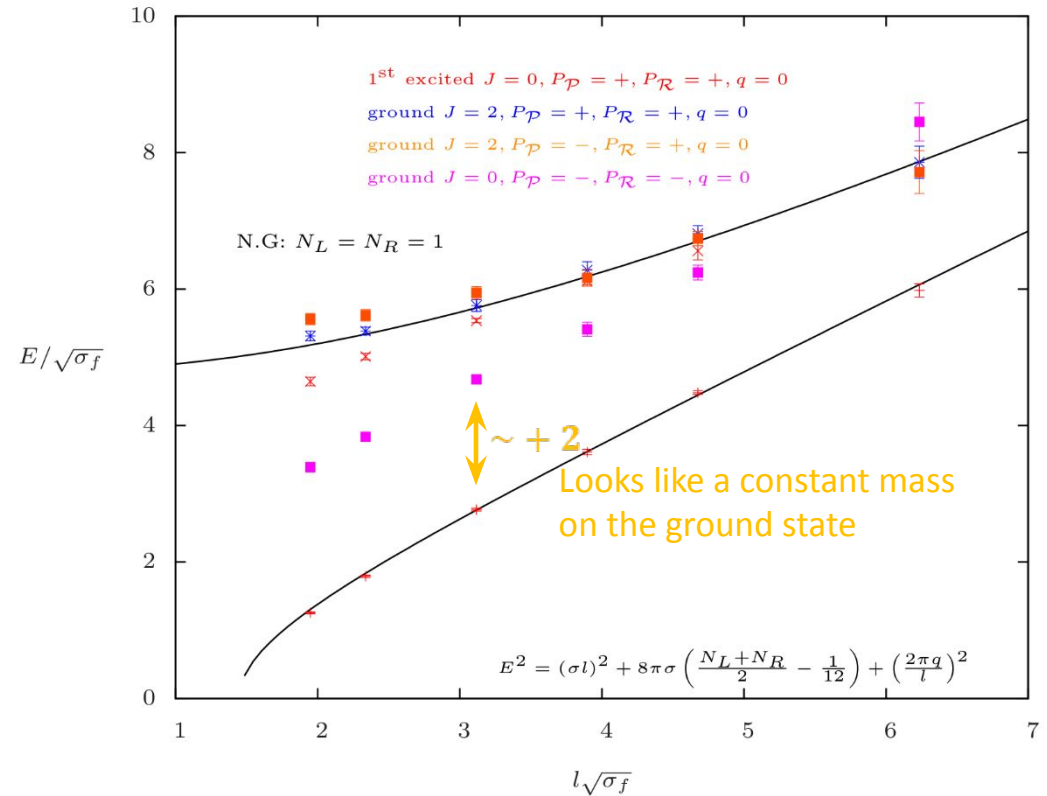
Results: the D=3+1 case

String States & Quantum Numbers

N_L, N_R	$ J $	P_t	P_l	String State
$N_L = N_R = 0$	0	+	+	$ 0\rangle$
$N_L = 1, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ \pm a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- + a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	0	-	-	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^- - a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	+	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = N_R = 1$	2	-	+	$(a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	0	+		$a_1^+ a_1^- 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	1	\pm		$(a_2^+ \pm a_2^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	+		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ + a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 0$	2	-		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ - a_1^- a_1^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- + a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	0	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^- - a_2^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^+) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	1	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^- a_{-1}^- \pm a_1^- a_1^+ a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	+		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ + a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	2	-		$(a_2^+ a_{-1}^+ - a_2^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$
$N_L = 2, N_R = 1$	3	\pm		$(a_1^+ a_1^+ a_{-1}^+ \pm a_1^- a_1^- a_{-1}^-) 0\rangle$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$

First Excited State for $N_L = N_R = 1$.



Results: the D=3+1 case

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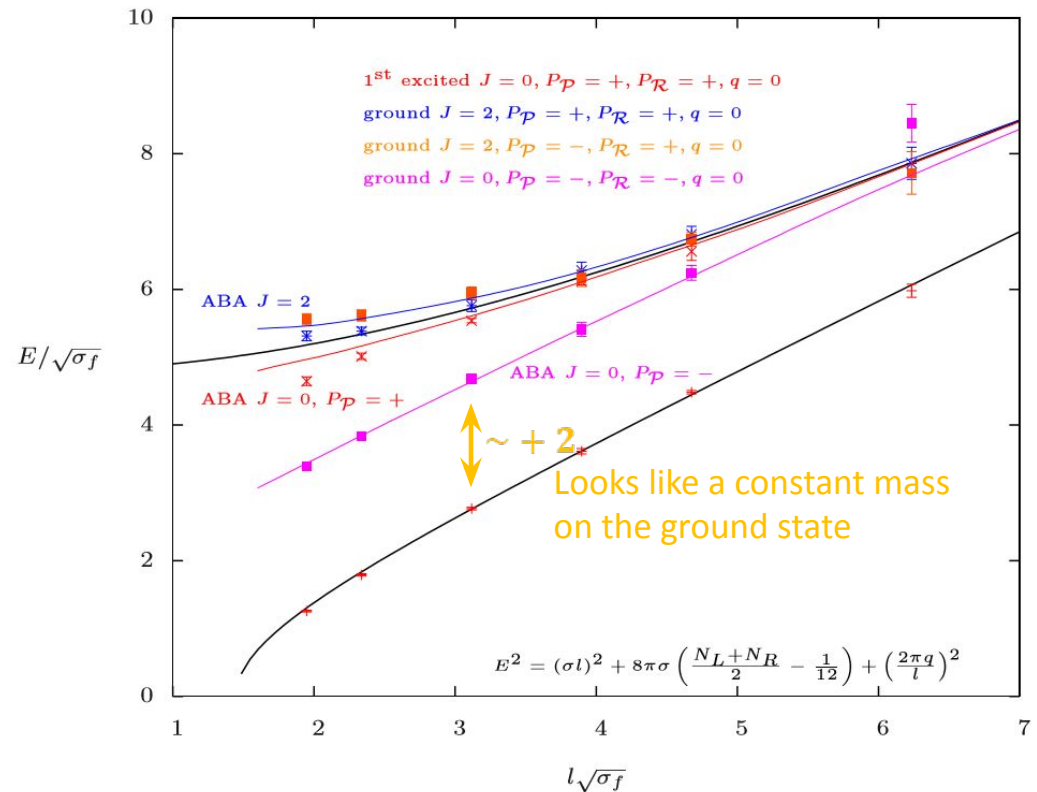
- Calculating the energy shifts from the S matrix of colliding winding phonons
- Using approximate integrability as well as the Thermodynamic Bethe Ansatz
- Test what happens when we have both left and right movers – energy levels cannot explain the anomalous state
- the most straightforward way to explain this level is the introduction of a massive pseudoscalar particle ϕ on the worldsheet

$$S_{int} = \frac{\alpha}{8\pi} \int d^2\sigma \phi K_{\alpha\gamma}^i K_{\beta}^{j\gamma} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{ij}$$

- field ϕ as the worldsheet axion
- By fitting the two free parameters:

$$m\ell_s = 1.85_{-0.03}^{+0.02} \quad \alpha = 9.6 \pm 0.1$$

Results for SU(3) and $q=0$



Outline

- The flux tube looks pretty much like a bosonic string even for short flux tubes
- Looks like there is a massive “axion” particle on the worldsheet of the flux tube in $D=3+1$
- However we would like to know what happens for higher excitations in $D=3+1$
- How does the “axion” behaves in the existence of a θ -vacuum?
- What happens for long flux tubes (level crossing)?