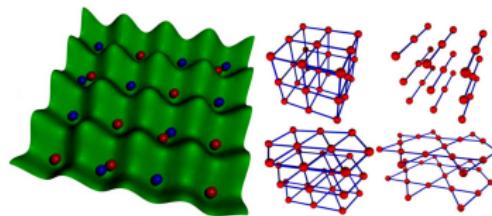


Ginzburg-Landau Theory for Bosonic Gases in Optical Lattices

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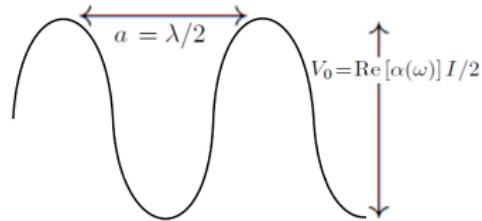
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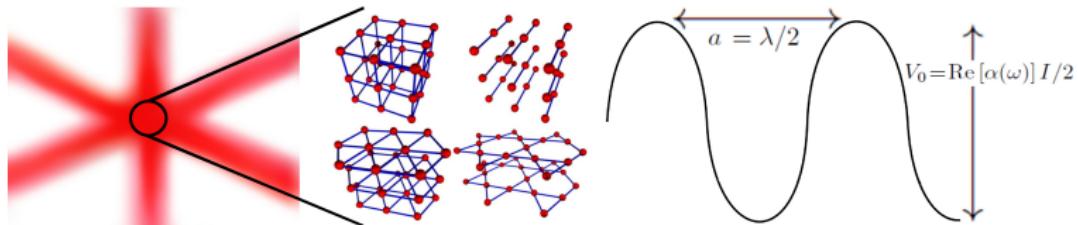
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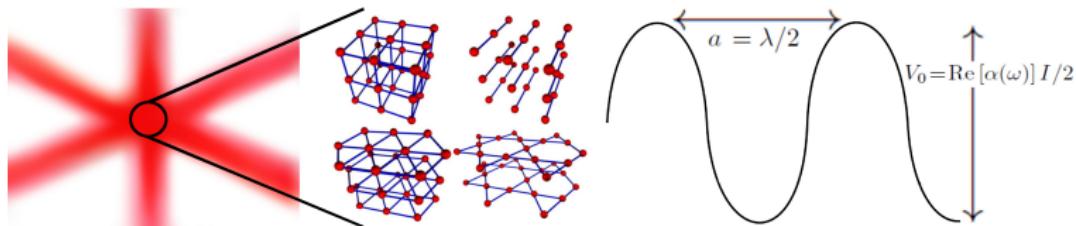
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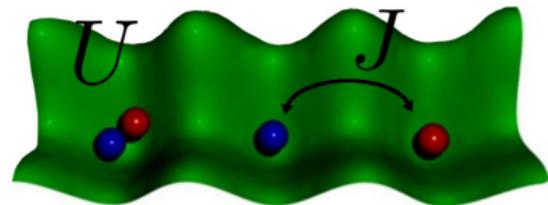
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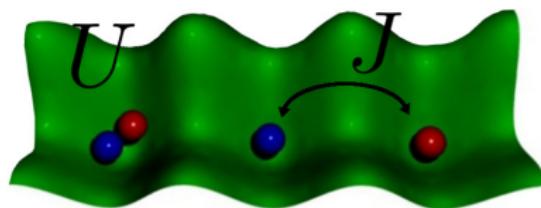
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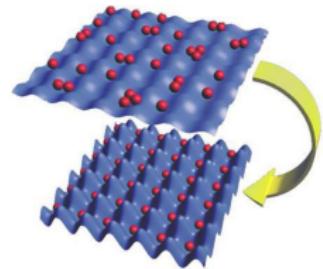
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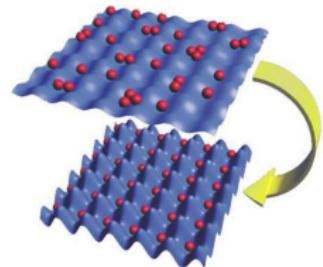
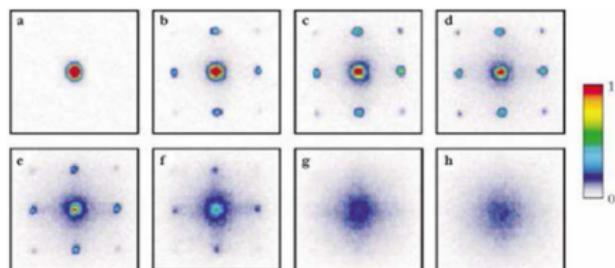
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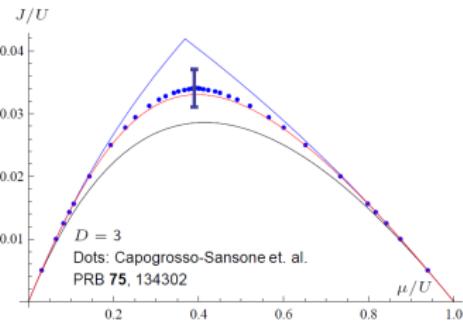
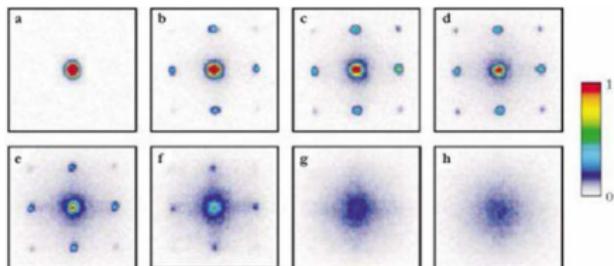
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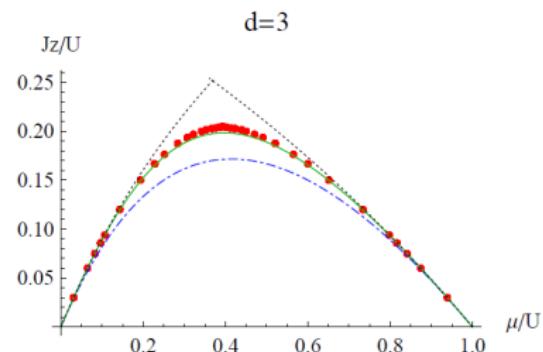
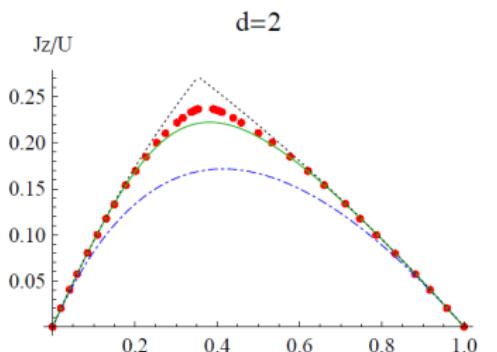
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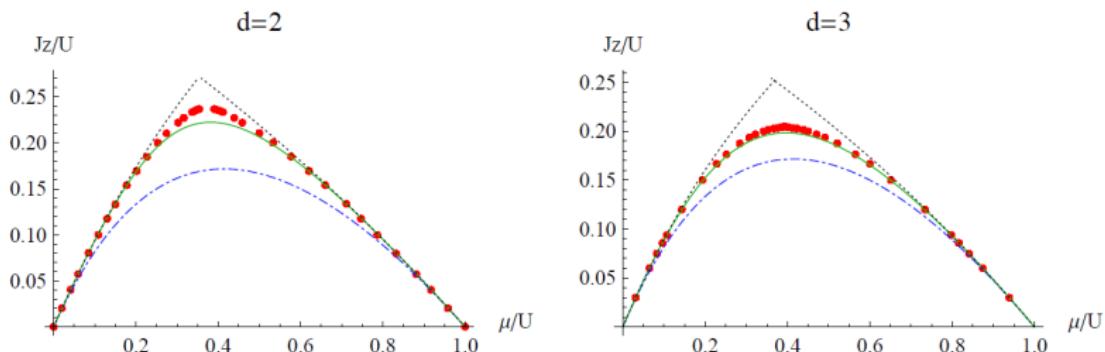
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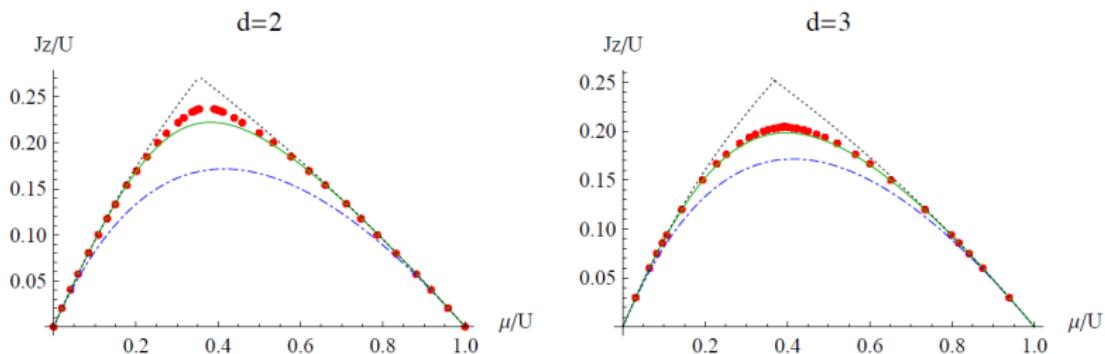
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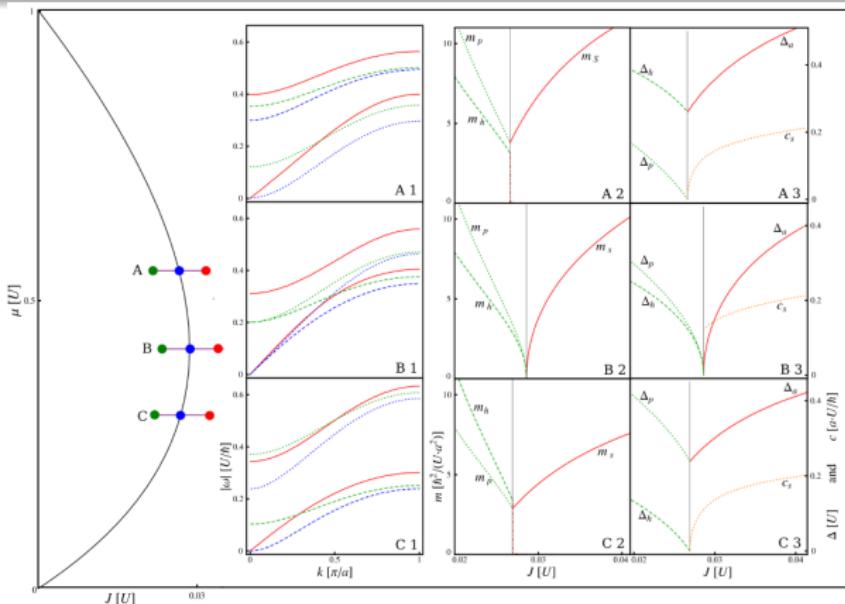
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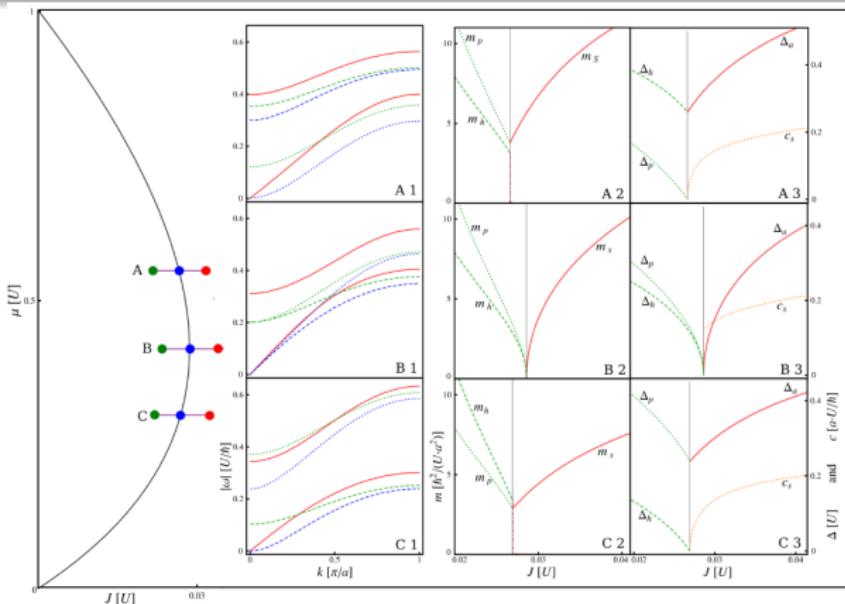
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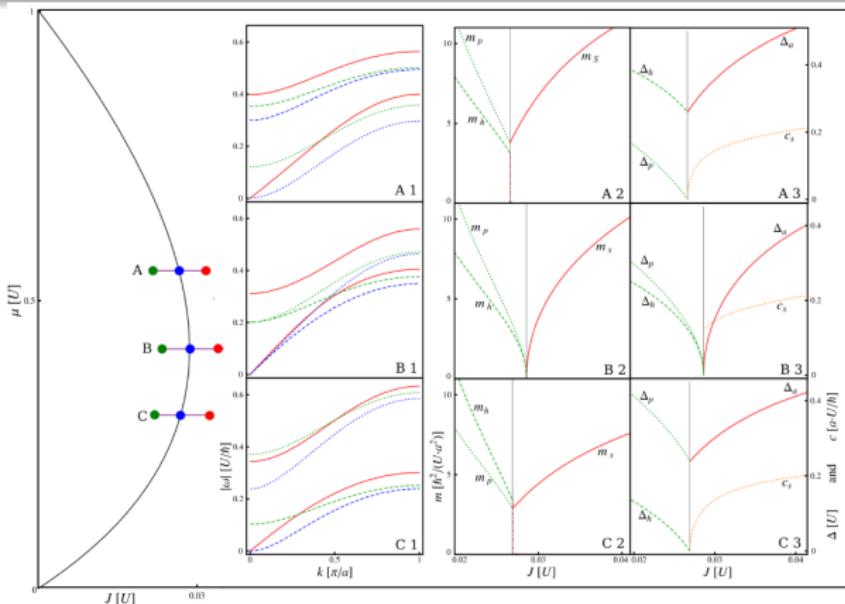
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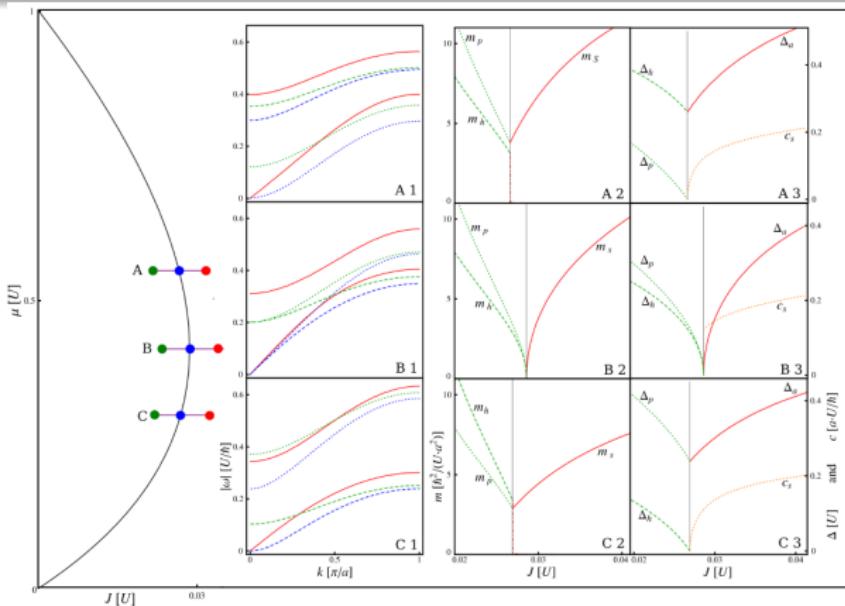
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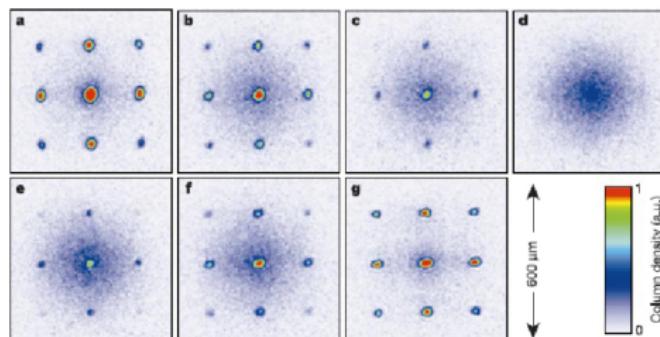
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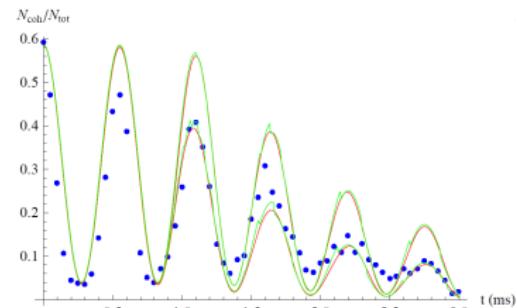
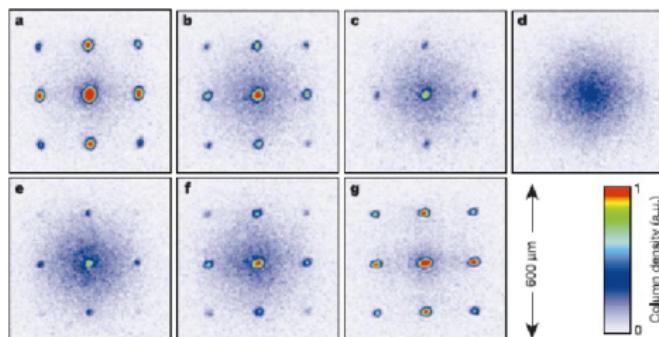
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Summary and Outlook

- A Ginzburg-Landau theory was developed for bosons in optical lattices
- Analytical calculation are performed using diagrammatic methods
- High accuracy to equilibrium and out-of-equilibrium systems
- Outlook
 - Different geometries
 - Bose-Fermi mixtures
 - Optical QED lattices