

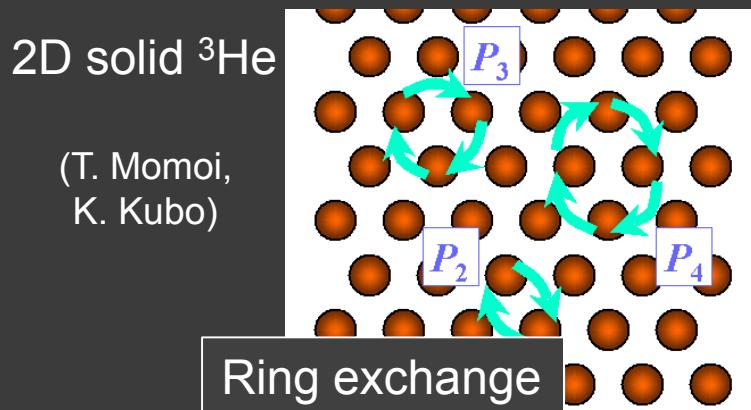
A05: Quantum crystal and ring exchange

Novel magnetic states induced by ring exchange

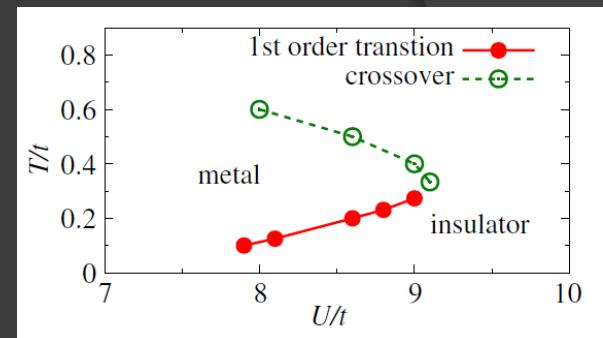
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□ Multiple-spin exchange model on the triangular lattice



□ Mott transition in frustrated electron systems

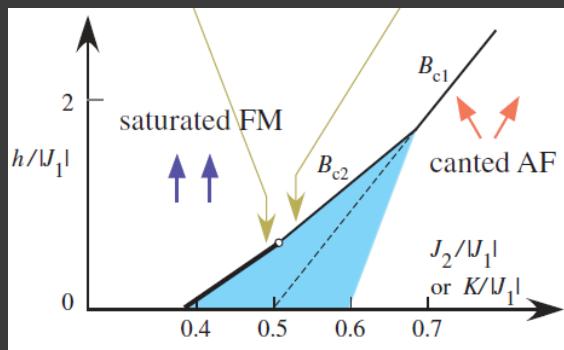


reentrant behavior

(T. Ohashi, T. Momoi,
H. Tsunetsugu, N. Kawakami)

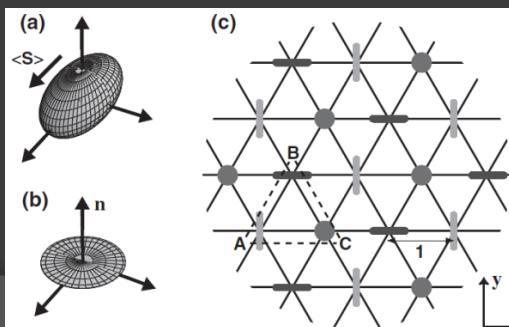
□ Spin nematic/quadrupolar phases

S=1/2 frustrated ferromagnets



spin-triplet RVB state
(T. Momoi)

S=1 bilinear-biquadratic model (H. Tsunetsugu)



- Spin dynamics, spin crossover (S. Miyashita)
- Supersolid
- Magnetism in cold atoms (S. Miyashita)

Magnon pairing and crystallization in triangular lattice multiple-spin exchange model

-- SPIN NEMATIC PHASES IN FRUSTRATED MAGNETS --

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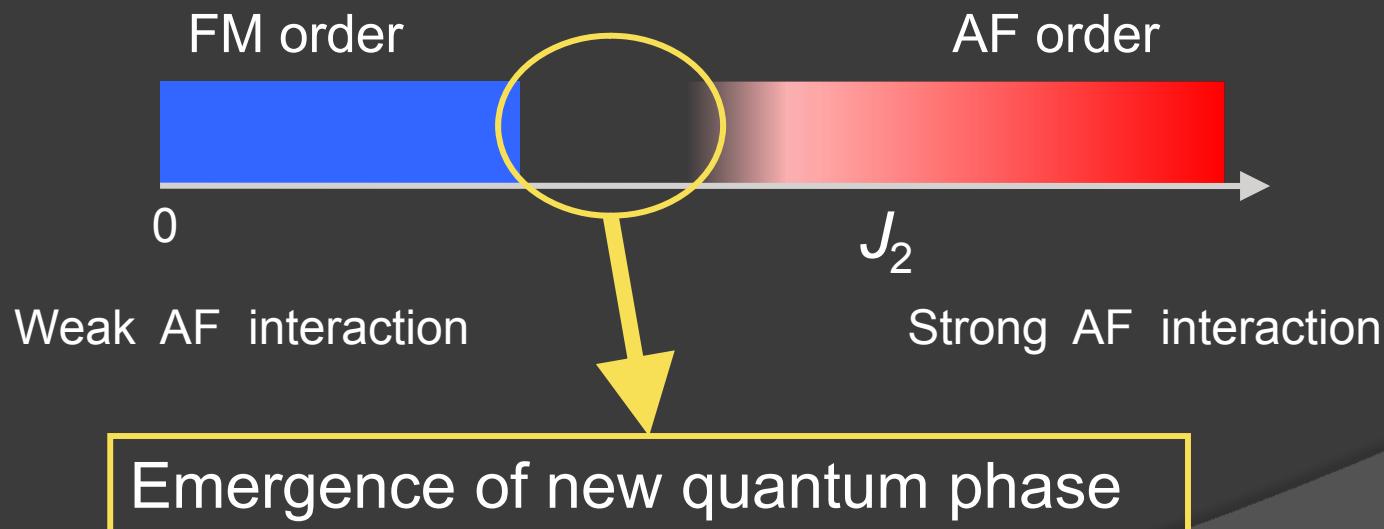
Outline

1. Introduction:
 - Spin nematic order
 - BEC of bound magnon pairs
 - Spin-triplet RVB state
2. Multiple-spin exchange model: $J-J_4-J_5-J_6$ model
 - Spin nematic phase, 1/2 magnetization plateau
3. Summary

Introduction: Competition between FM and AF orders

Nearest-neighbor FM interaction J_1

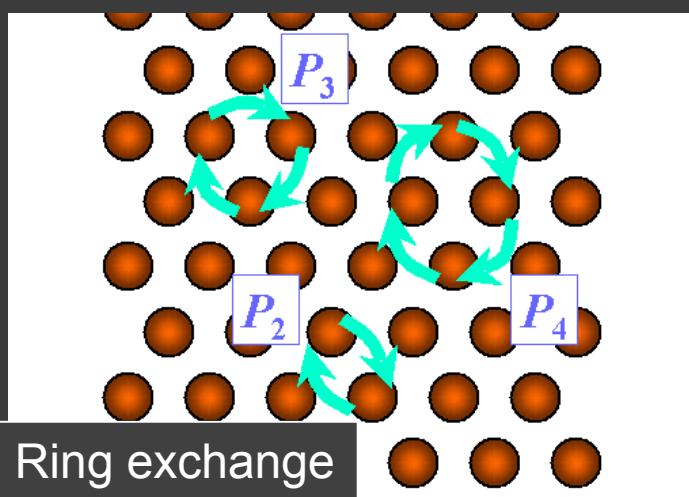
+ competing antiferromagnetic interaction J_2



Frustrated magnets with 1st neighbor FM interaction

Triangular lattice

2D solid He3

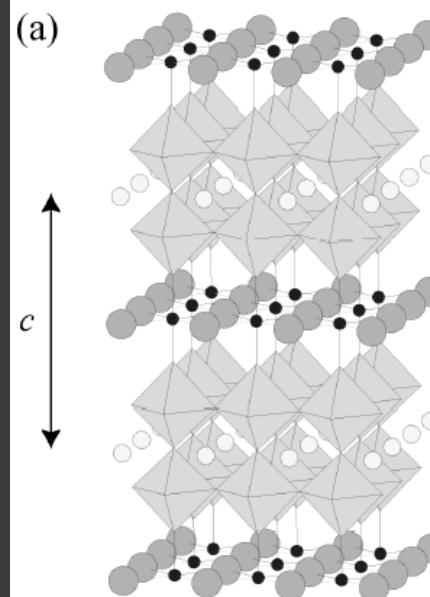


Square lattice

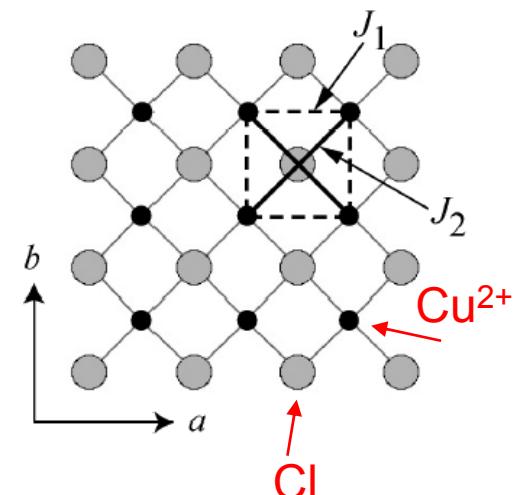
Pb₂VO(PO₄)₂

E. Kaul *et al.*

(CuCl)LaNb₂O₇, (CuBr)A₂Nb₃O₁₀



(b) H. Kageyama *et al.*



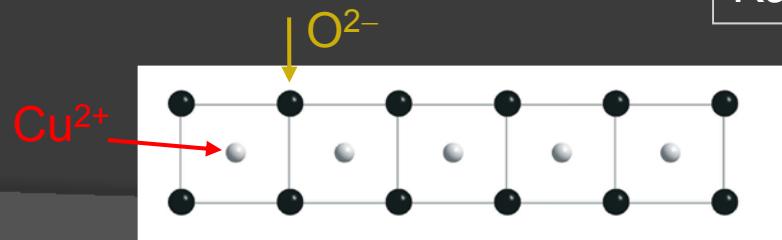
1D zigzag lattice

edge-sharing chain cuprates

LiCuVO₄, LiCu₂O₂, Rb₂Cu₂Mo₃O₁₂,

Li₂ZrCuO₄

Kanamori-Goodenough Rule



FM nearest neighbor J_1

AF next nearest neighbor J_2

Spin nematic phase in between FM and AF phases

J_1 - J_2 model

$$H = J_1 \sum_{\text{N.N.}} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j + J_2 \sum_{\text{N.N.N.}} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j,$$

Square lattice

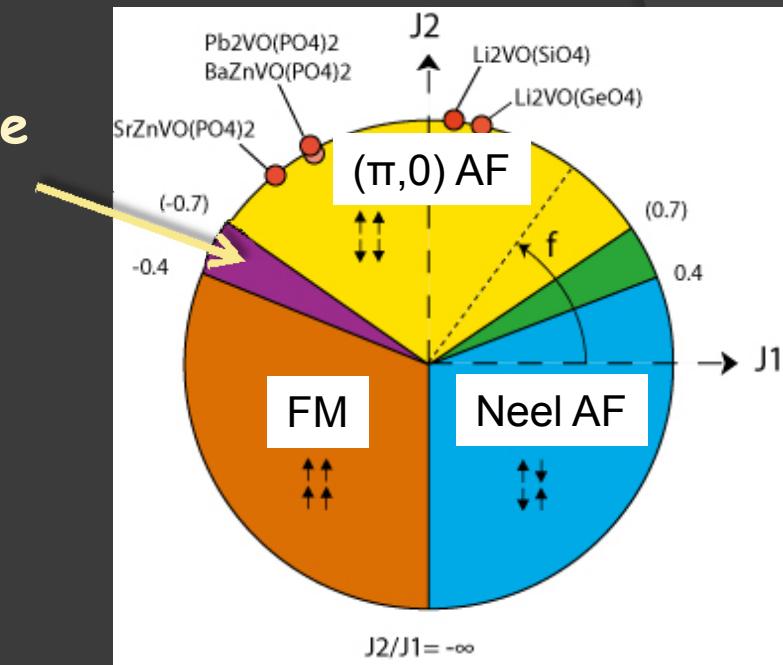
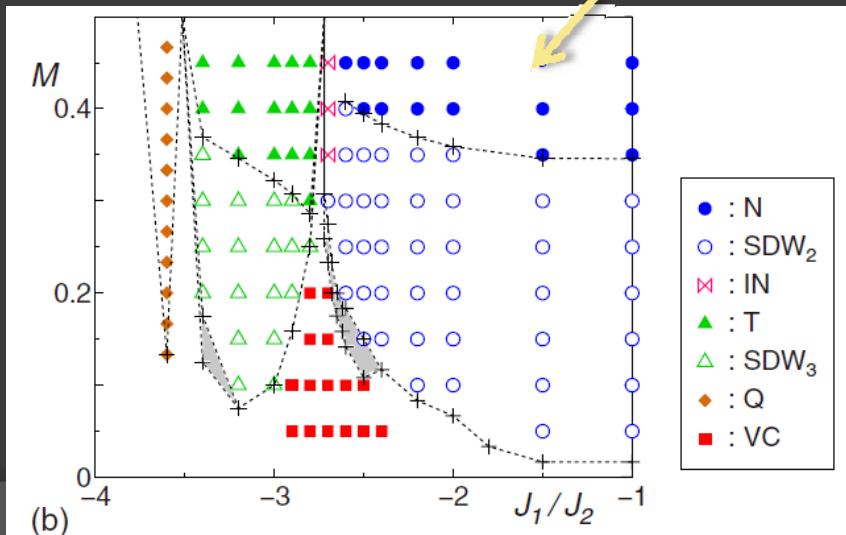
N. Shannon, TM, and P. Sindzingre,
PRL **96**, 027213 (2006).

1D zigzag lattice

T. Hikihara, L. Kecke, TM,
and A. Furusaki, PRB (2008)
M. Sato, TM, and A. Furusaki, PRB (2009)

Poster P40

Nematic phase
FM J_1 , AF J_2



FM nearest neighbor J_1
AF next nearest neighbor J_2

Characteristics of spin nematic order in spin-1/2 frustrated ferromagnets

N. Shannon, TM, and P. Sindzingre, *PRL* **96**, 027213 (2006).

- uniform state, i.e. no crystallization
- no spin order $\langle \vec{S}_i \rangle = 0$ at $h=0$
or no transverse spin order $\langle S_i^x \rangle = \langle S_i^y \rangle = 0$ for $h>0$
- gapless excitations
- spin quadrupolar order

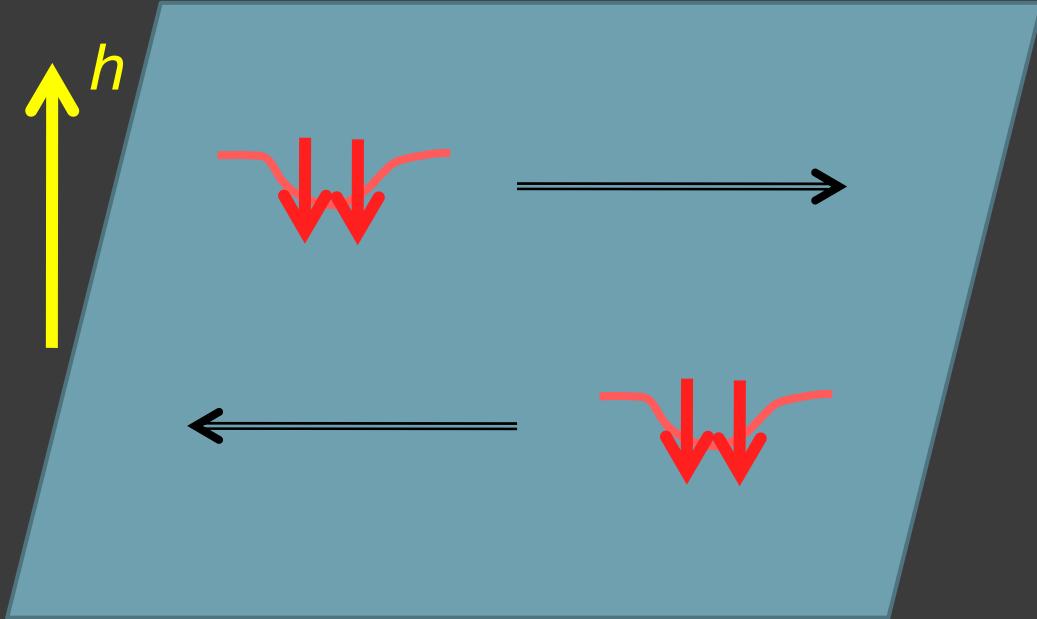
$$\left\langle Q_{ij}^{x^2-y^2} \right\rangle = \left\langle S_i^x S_j^x - S_i^y S_j^y \right\rangle, \quad \left\langle Q_{ij}^{xy} \right\rangle = \left\langle S_i^x S_j^y + S_i^y S_j^x \right\rangle$$

Bond-nematic order

spin
liquid-like
behavior

Spin nematic order can be regarded as

“BEC of bound magnon pairs with $\mathbf{k}=(0,0)$ ”



A. V. Chubukov, PRB (1991)

N. Shannon, TM, and P. Sindzingre, PRL (2006).

phase
coherence

$$\langle S_i^- S_j^- \rangle = Q e^{2i\theta}$$

$$\langle S_i^- S_j^- \rangle = \langle S_i^x S_j^x - S_i^y S_j^y \rangle - i \langle S_i^x S_j^y + S_i^y S_j^x \rangle = Q e^{2i\theta}$$

$x^2 - y^2$

xy

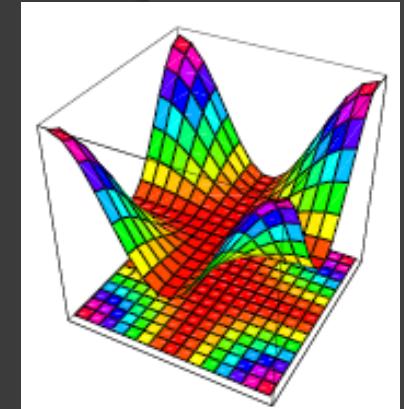
spin quadrupolar order

Why bound magnon pairs are stable in frustrated FM ?

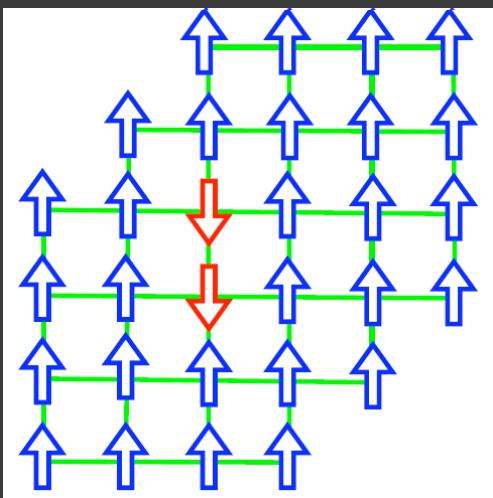
Near saturation field,

1. Individual magnons are nearly localized

In square-lattice J_1 - J_2 model,
zero line modes at $J_2/|J_1| = \frac{1}{2}$.



2. Two (or three) magnon bound states are mobile and stable



In square-lattice J_1 - J_2 model,
 d -wave two-magnon bound states
with $\mathbf{k}=(0,0)$ are most favored.

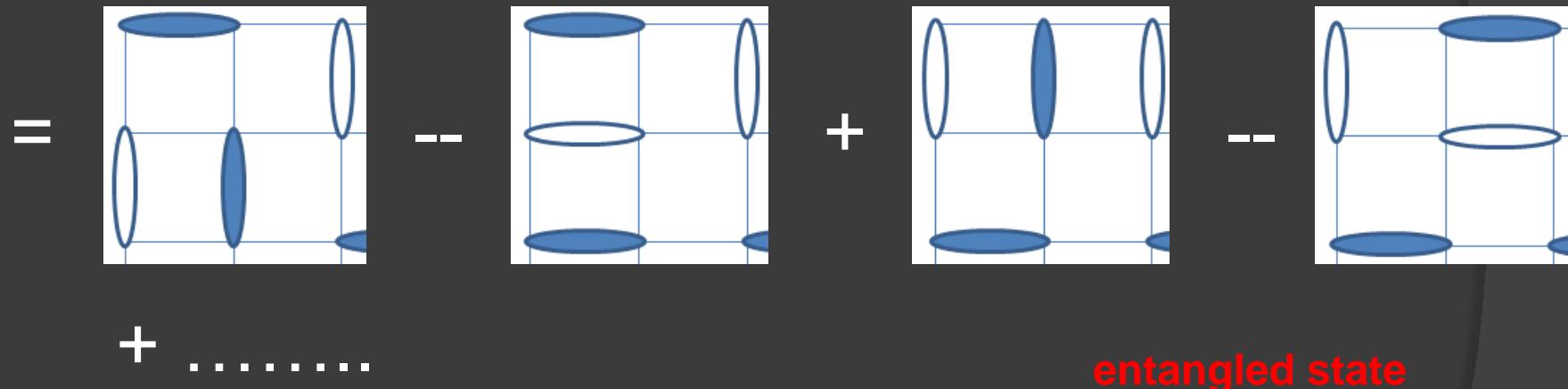
Coherent motion

Bond-nematic ordered state in $S=1/2$ magnets

Roughly speaking,.....

Linear combination of all possible configurations of $S^z = \pm 1$ dimers

$$\sum_{\text{dimer configuration}} (-1)^{\# \text{ of vertical } S^z=1 \text{ dimers}} | \text{dimers with } S^z=\pm 1 \rangle$$



cf. Spin quadrupolar order state in $S = 1$ bilinear-biquadratic model

wave function $\approx \otimes_i |\phi_i\rangle$
product state

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Q_i^{x^2-y^2} \rangle &= \langle S_i^x S_i^x - S_i^y S_i^y \rangle \\ \langle Q_i^{xy} \rangle &= \langle S_i^x S_i^y + S_i^y S_i^x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Site-nematic order

Slave boson formulation of spin nematic states in frustrated ferromagnets

R. Shindou and TM, PRB (2009)

Fermion representation

$$\mathbf{S}_j^\mu = \frac{1}{2} f_{j\alpha}^\dagger [\sigma_\mu]_{\alpha\beta} f_{j\beta} \quad (\mu = x, y, z)$$

$f_{j\uparrow}, f_{j\downarrow}$ fermion operators

Local constraint $f_{j,\alpha}^\dagger f_{j,\alpha} \equiv 1$

Using Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation, we can decouple
FM interaction into triplet pairing

$$-4\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j \rightarrow -|\mathbf{D}_{ij}|^2 + \sum_{\mu=x,y,z} [\psi_i^\dagger U_{ij,\mu} \psi_j \tau_\mu^t], \quad U_{ij,\mu}^{tri} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & D_{ij,\mu} \\ -D_{ij,\mu}^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where \mathbf{D}_{ij} denote d-vectors of triplet pairing

$$\hat{\Delta}_{jl} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle f_{j\uparrow} f_{l\uparrow} \rangle & \langle f_{j\uparrow} f_{l\downarrow} \rangle \\ \langle f_{j\downarrow} f_{l\uparrow} \rangle & \langle f_{j\downarrow} f_{l\downarrow} \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -D_{jl}^x + iD_{jl}^y & D_{jl}^z \\ D_{jl}^z & D_{jl}^x + iD_{jl}^y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_j = \begin{bmatrix} f_{j\uparrow} & f_{j\downarrow} \\ f_{j\downarrow}^\dagger & -f_{j\uparrow}^\dagger \end{bmatrix}$$

In mean-field approximation, FM interaction prefers triplet pairing.

Theoretical description of bond-nematic states

When triplet pairing appears, spin space becomes anisotropic.

Quadrupolar order parameter
in mean-field approximation

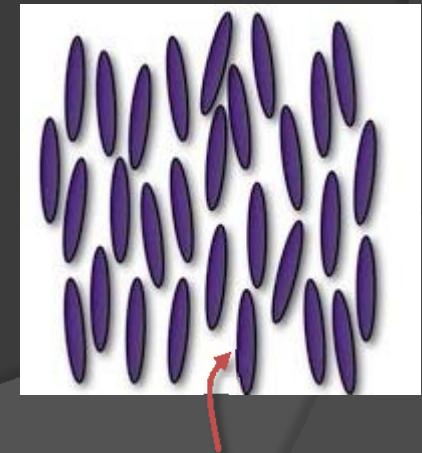
$$-2Q_{jl}^{\mu\nu} = D_{jl}^{\mu}D_{jl}^{\nu} - \frac{\delta_{\mu\nu}}{3}|\mathbf{D}_{jl}|^2 + \text{H.c.}$$

For example, $\langle S_j^- S_l^- \rangle = \langle f_{j\downarrow}^\dagger f_{j\uparrow} f_{l\downarrow}^\dagger f_{l\uparrow} \rangle = \langle f_{j\uparrow} f_{l\uparrow} \rangle^* \langle f_{j\downarrow} f_{l\downarrow} \rangle = -(\mathbf{D}_{jl}^x)^2 + (\mathbf{D}_{jl}^y)^2 - i(\mathbf{D}_{jl}^x \mathbf{D}_{jl}^y + \mathbf{D}_{jl}^y \mathbf{D}_{jl}^x)$

cf. nematic order in liquid crystals, $\mathbf{d}(r)$: director vectors

$$Q^{\mu\nu}(r) = \mathbf{d}^\mu(r)\mathbf{d}^\nu(r) - \frac{\delta_{\mu\nu}}{3}|\mathbf{d}(r)|^2$$

director – D-vector correspondence



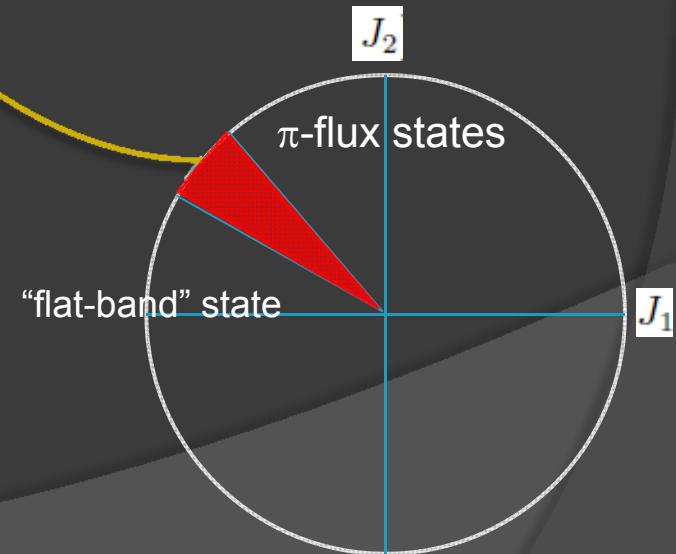
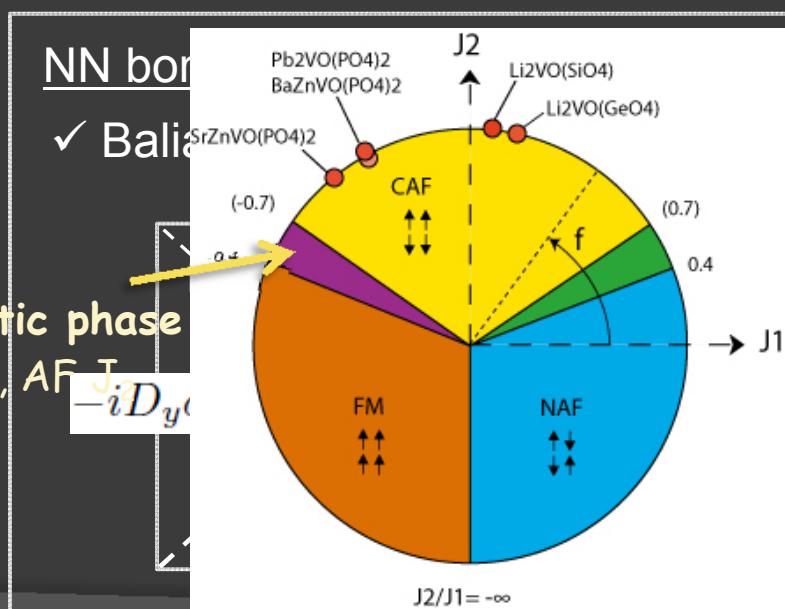
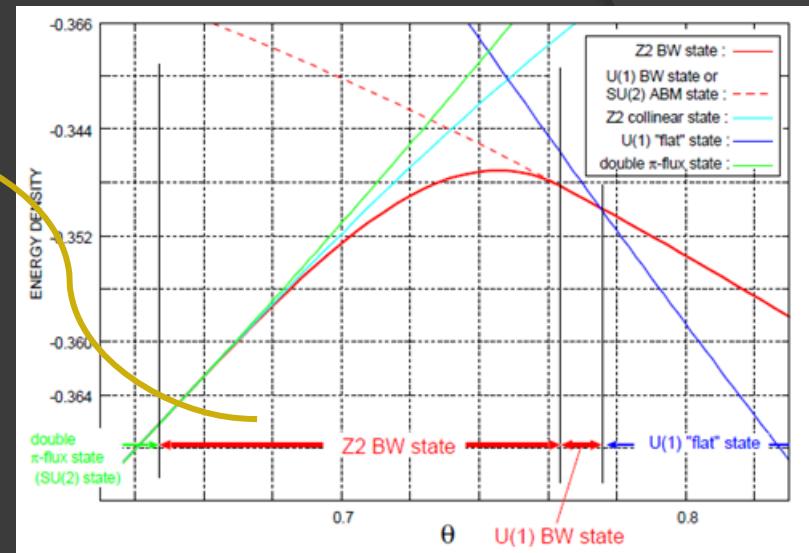
Mean-field approximation of square lattice J_1 - J_2 model

New phase

triplet-pairing on FM interactions and hopping amplitude on AF interactions

*spin-triplet resonating valence bond state
(spin-triplet RVB state)*

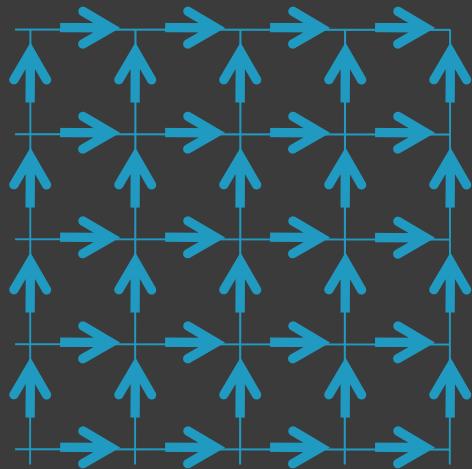
$$(J_1, J_2) \equiv J(\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$$



This mean-field solution has the same magnetic structure as d-wave bond nematic state.

BW state

$$\mathbf{d}(k) \equiv \hat{x} \sin k_x + \hat{y} \sin k_y.$$



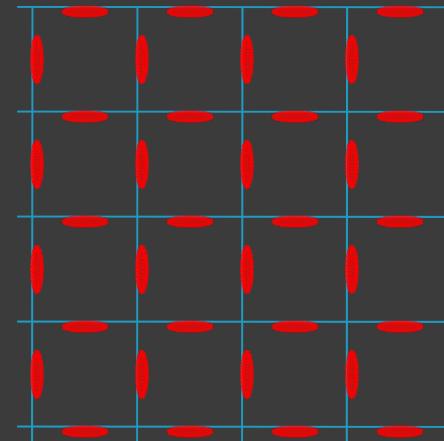
$$D_{jl}^x = i(\delta_{j,l+e_x} - \delta_{j,l-e_x})$$

$$D_{jl}^y = i(\delta_{j,l+e_y} - \delta_{j,l-e_y})$$



d-wave bond nematic state

N. Shannon, TM and P. Sindzingre ('06)



— $Q_{xx} - Q_{yy} > 0$

— $Q_{xx} - Q_{yy} < 0$

Low energy excitations around the BW state

- Spin fluctuation has gapless Nambu-Goldstone modes
- Individual spinon excitations have a full gap

$$2E_{\pm} \equiv \pm \sqrt{J_1^2 D^2 (\sin^2 k_x + \sin^2 k_y) + 4J_2^2 (\chi^2 \cos^2 k_x \cos^2 k_y + \eta^2 \sin^2 k_x \sin^2 k_y)}.$$

- Gauge fluctuation also has a gap. (*a gapped Z_2 state*)

Perspectives

Variational Monte Carlo simulation

Magnetism of two-dimensional solid ^3He on graphite

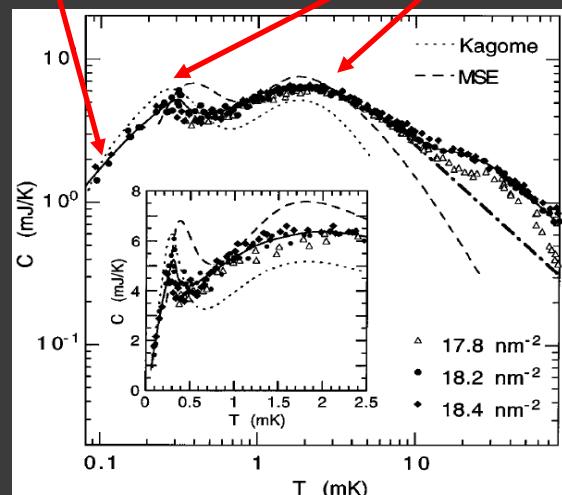
4/7 phase in 2nd layer of 2D solid ^3He on graphite

gapless spin liquid

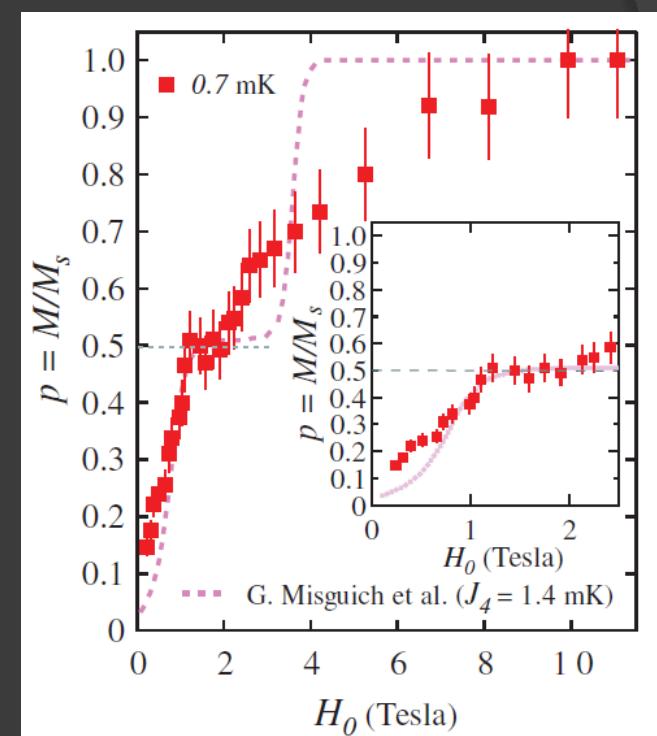
✓ specific heat

K. Ishida, M. Morishita, H. Fukuyama, PRL (1997)

linear specific heat double peak structure
(cf. 2D FM)



magnetization plateau at 1/2



✓ No drop of susceptibility down to $10\mu\text{K}$

R. Masutomi, Y. Karaki, and H. Ishimoto,
PRL (2004).

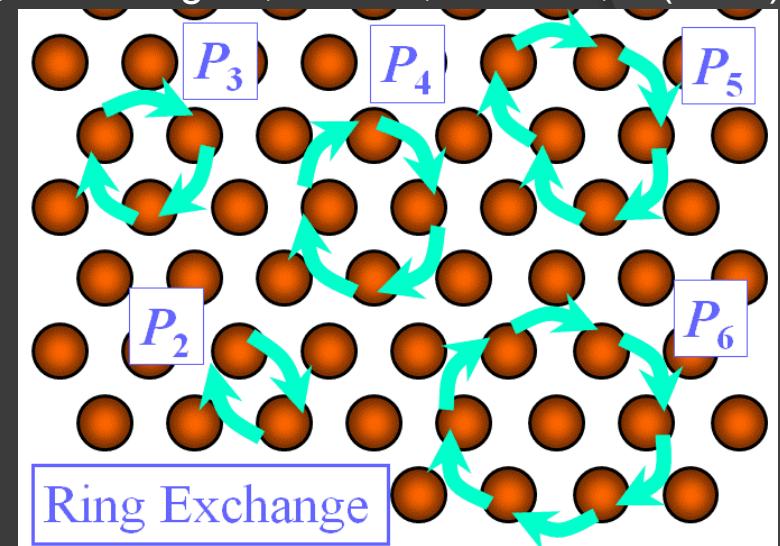
H. Nema, A. Yamaguchi, T. Hayakawa,
and H. Ishimoto, PRL (2009).

Theoretical model: multiple-spin exchange model

Ring-exchange interactions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} &= J_2 \sum P_2 + \sum_{n>2} (-1)^n J_n \sum (P_n + P_n^{-1}) \\ &= J \sum P_2 + J_4 \sum (P_4 + P_4^{-1}) \\ &\quad \bullet \bullet \quad \text{---} \text{---} \\ &- J_5 \sum (P_5 + P_5^{-1}) + J_6 \sum (P_6 + P_6^{-1}) \\ &\quad \text{---} \text{---} \quad \text{---} \text{---} \end{aligned}$$

Dirac,
Roger, Hetherington, Delrieu, RMP 55, 1 (1983)



Three spin exchange is dominant and **ferromagnetic**

$$P_3 + P_3^{-1} = P_2(i, j) + P_2(j, k) + P_2(k, i)$$

→ effective two spin exchange is ferromagnetic

$$(J=J_2-2J_3)$$

"Frustrated ferromagnet"

Parameter fitting

Collin et al., PRL 86, 2447 (2001).

$$J=-2.8, \quad J_4=1.4, \quad J_5=0.45, \quad J_6=1.25 \text{ (mK)}$$

In case of two- and four-spin exchange model (J - J_4 model)

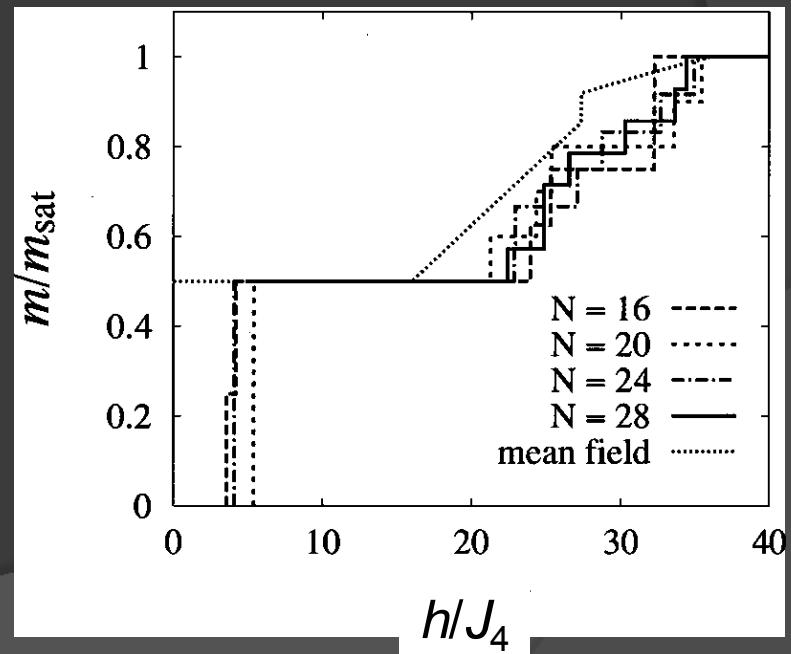
In a strong J_4 regime $J_4/|J| = \frac{1}{2}$

- At zero field, the ground state doesn't have any order and it has a large spin gap.

G.Misguich, B.Bernu, C.Lhuillier, and C.Waldtmann, PRL (1998)

- Magnetization process has a wide plateau at $m/m_{\text{sat}} = \frac{1}{2}$, which comes from *uuud* spin-density wave structure

TM, H. Sakamoto, and K.Kubo, PRB (1999)



In case of two- and four-spin exchange model (J - J_4 model)

Near the border of FM phase $0.24 < K/J < 0.28$

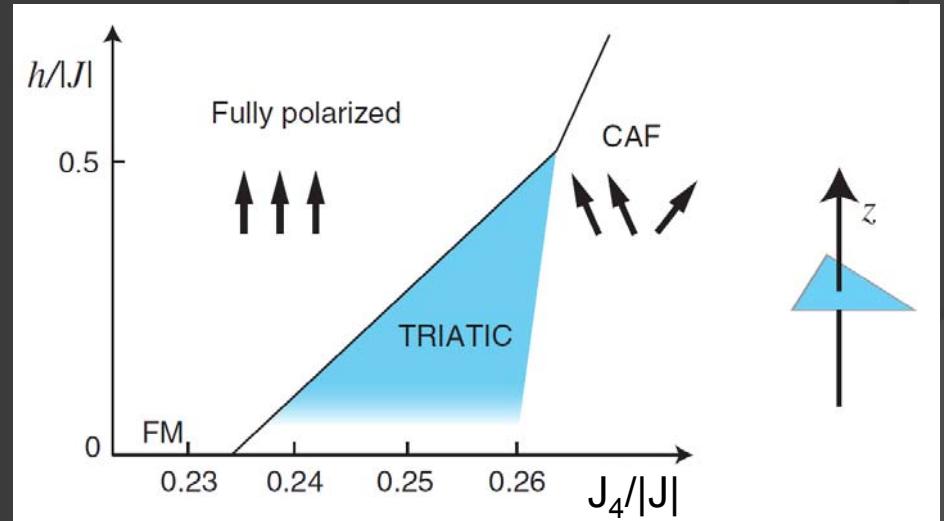
TM, P. Sindzingre, N. Shannon, PRL (2006)

- $m > 0$,
condensation of 3 magnon bound states
→ “Triatic order” (octupolar order)

$$\left\langle S_i^- S_{i+e_1}^- S_{i+e_2}^- \right\rangle = \varphi e^{3i\vartheta}$$

$$\left\langle S_i^x \right\rangle = \left\langle S_i^y \right\rangle = 0$$

- $m = 0$,
strong competition between
nematic and triatic correlations



cf. $J_4/|J|=0.5$, $J_5/|J|=0.16$, $J_6/|J|=0.44$ Collin et al.

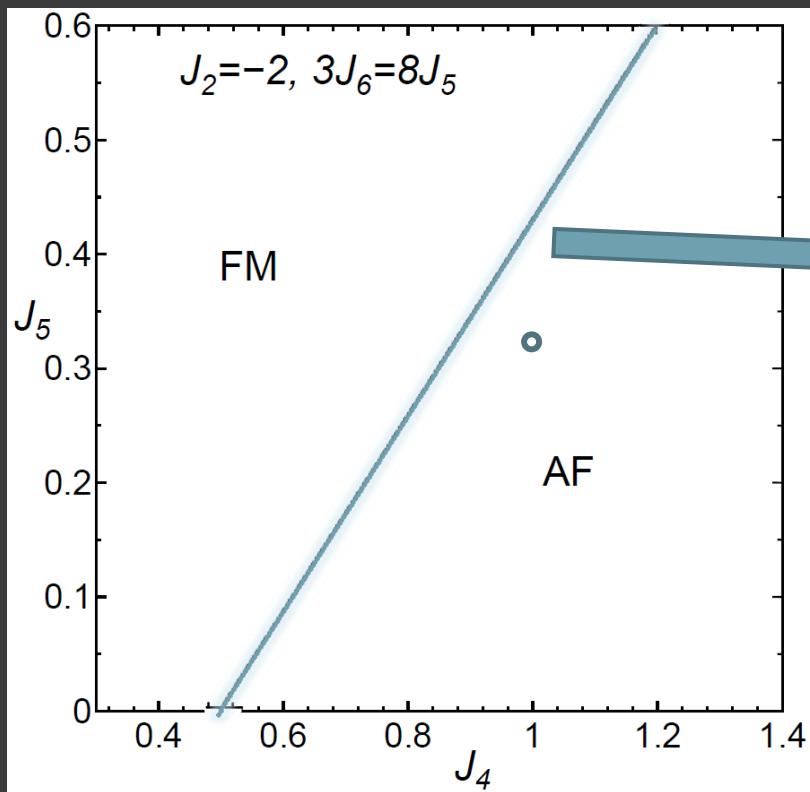
J - J_4 - J_5 - J_6 ring-exchange model

We aim at giving a quantitative comparison with experiments.

□ In the classical limit ($S \rightarrow \infty$)

□ In the quantum case ($S=1/2$)

Mean-field phase diagram



One magnon excitations

$$\varepsilon(k) = h - 2(J_2 + 4J_4 - 10J_5 + 2J_6) \\ \times \{3 - \cos k \cdot e_1 - \cos k \cdot e_2 - \cos k \cdot e_3\}$$

have zero flat mode
at mean-field phase boundary.

Individual magnons are localized !

Magnon instability to the FM (fully polarized) state at saturation field

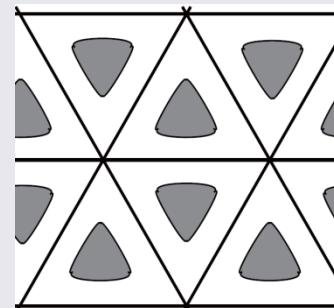
$J-J_4 - J_2-J_4$ model

(case of $J_5=J_6=0$)

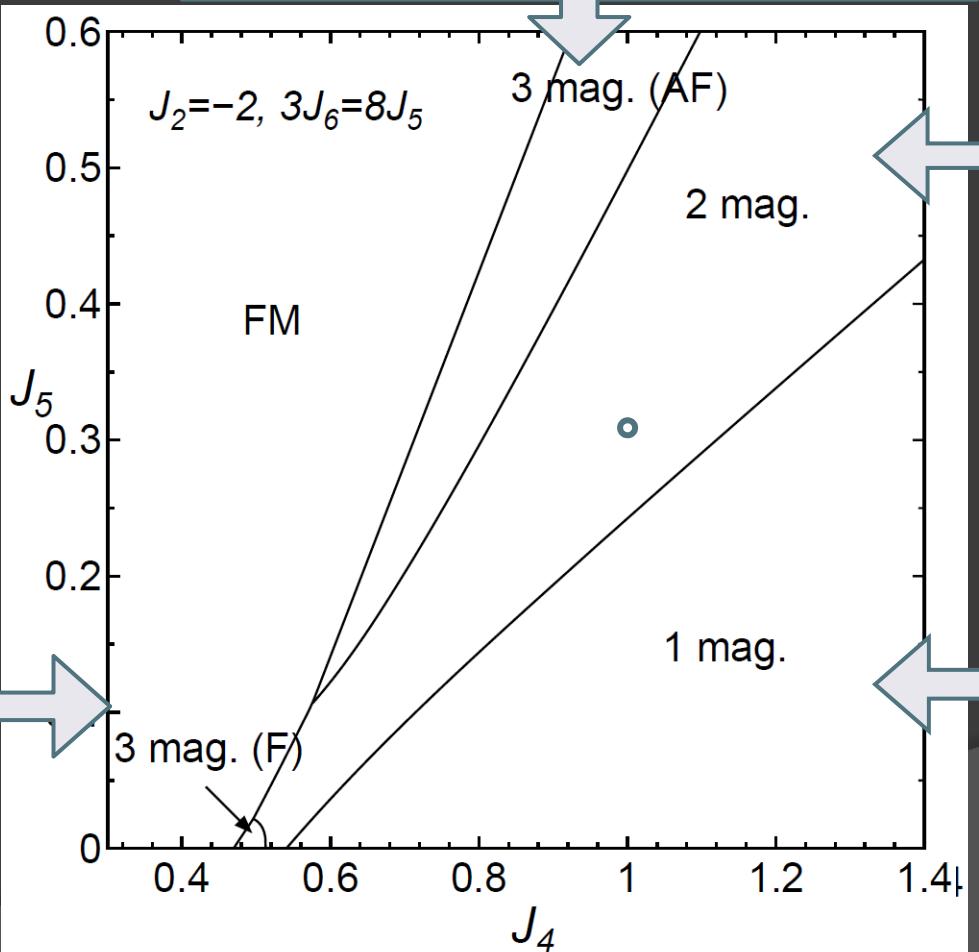
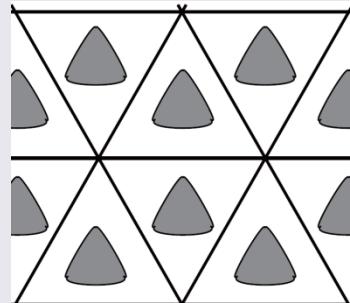
space rotation

$$R_{\pi/3} \rightarrow -1$$

Antiferro-triatic
state

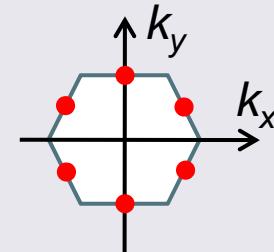


space rotation
 $R_{\pi/3} \rightarrow 1$
Ferro-triatic state



space rotation
 $R_{\pi/3} \rightarrow \exp(\pm i 2\pi / 3)$
 $d+id$ wave
Chiral (?) nematic state

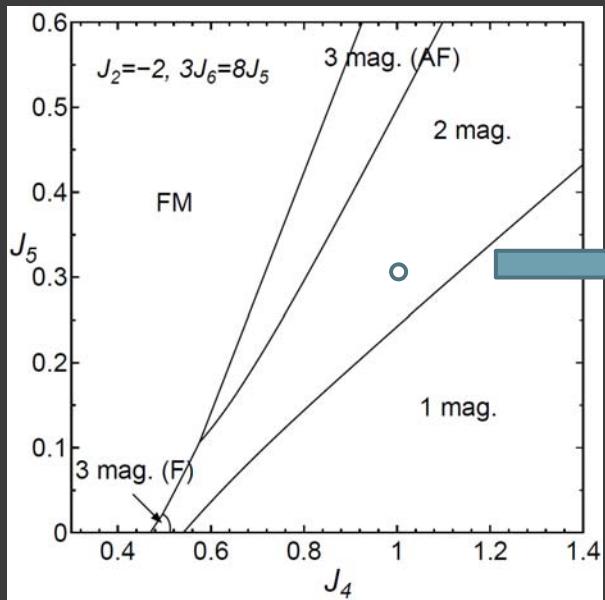
3 sublattice structure



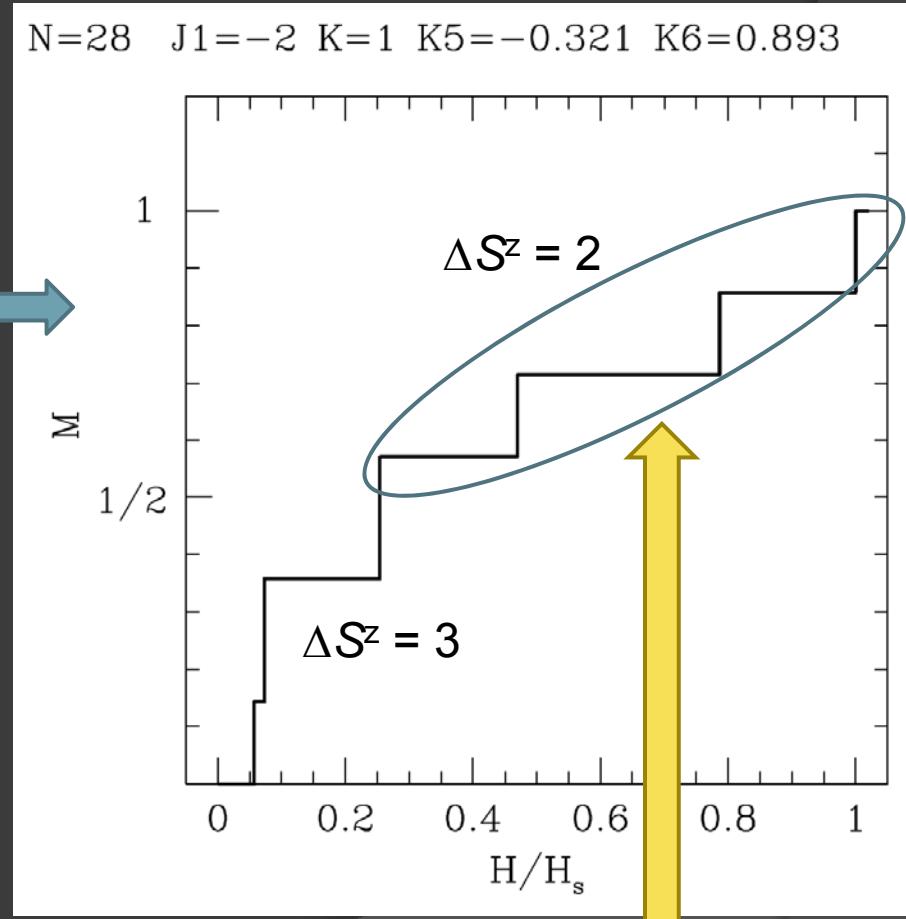
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Numerical results

Instability at saturation



magnetization process



Condensation of $d+id$ -wave magnon pairs
(BEC)

Condensation of bosons with two species

$d \pm id$ -wave magnon pairs

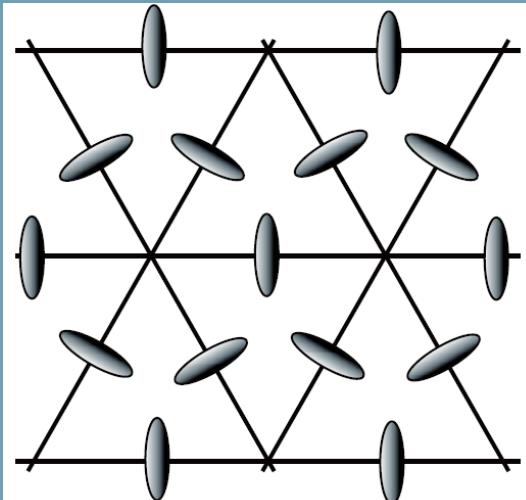
$$\sum_x e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} T_x \left\{ \left| \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\rangle + j \left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \circ \quad \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\rangle + j^2 \left| \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \bullet \quad \circ \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right\rangle \right\}$$
$$j = \exp\left(\pm i \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \quad (\pm: \text{chirality})$$

wave number $\mathbf{k} = (0,0)$

double-fold degeneracy with chirality

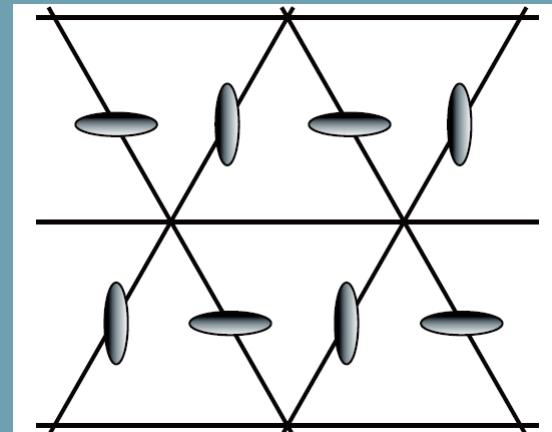
density imbalance $n_+ > n_-$

chiral nematic order



equal density $n_+ = n_-$

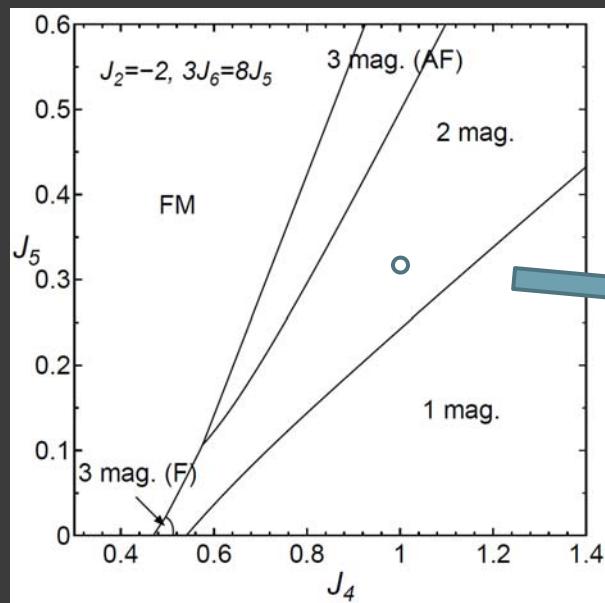
non-chiral nematic order



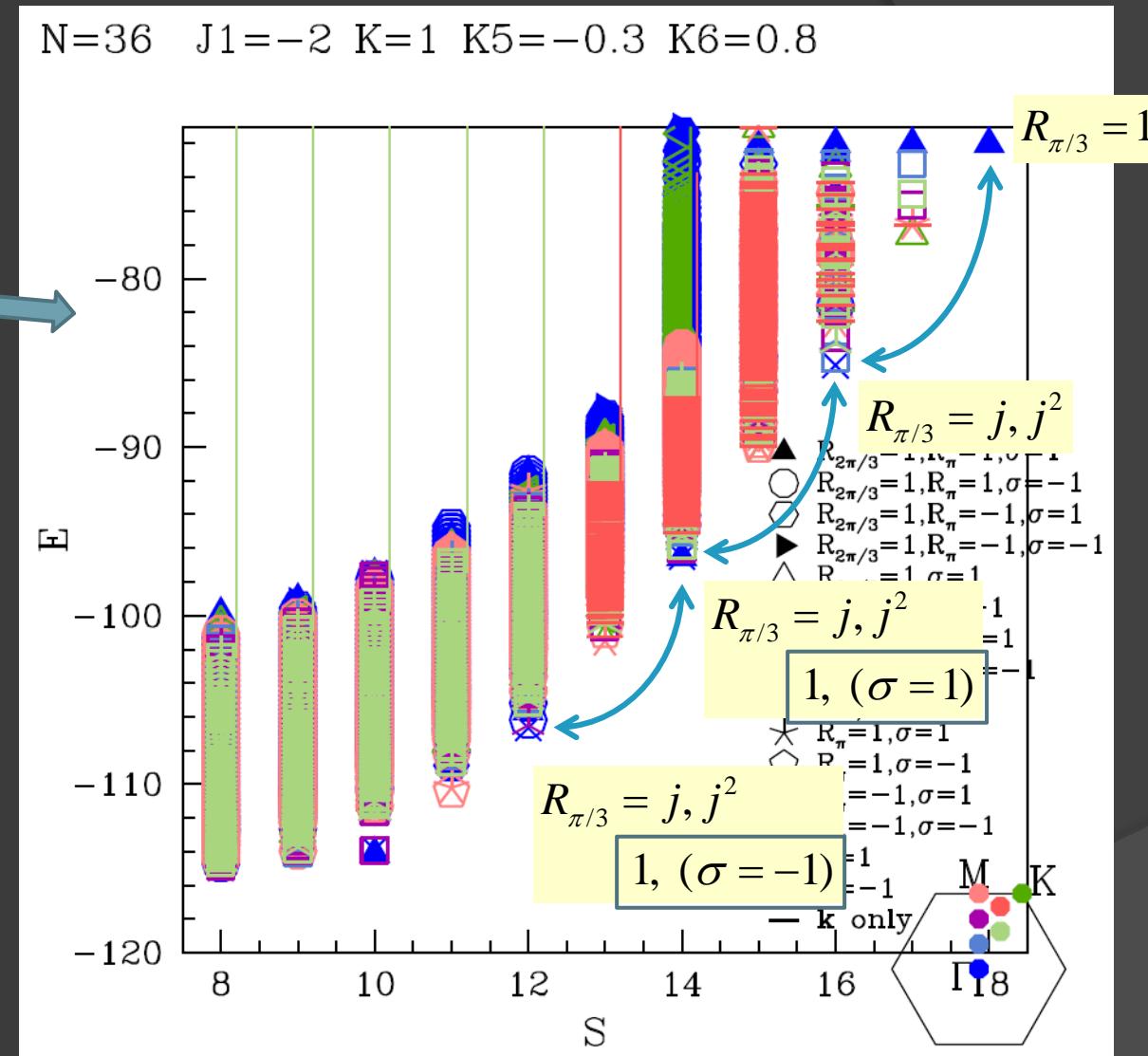
$$O_{d+id} = \sum_i \left(S_i^- S_{i+e_1}^- + j S_i^- S_{i+e_2}^- + j^2 S_i^- S_{i+e_3}^- \right)$$

$$O_{d+id} - O_{d-id}$$

Chiral symmetry breaking ?



Chiral symmetry breaking acquires double-fold degeneracy in the low-lying states.

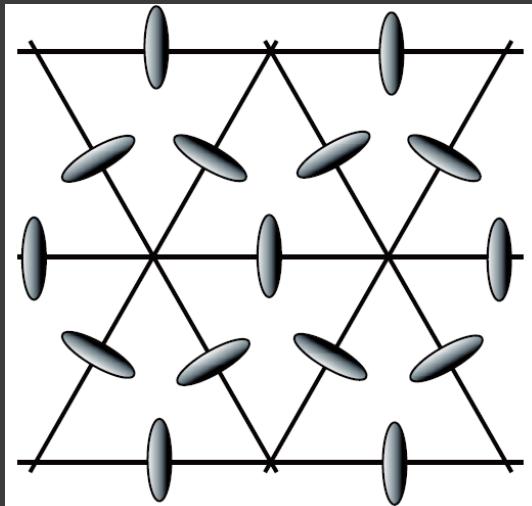


Answer: No.

However, some of them are not degenerate
→ no chiral symmetry breaking

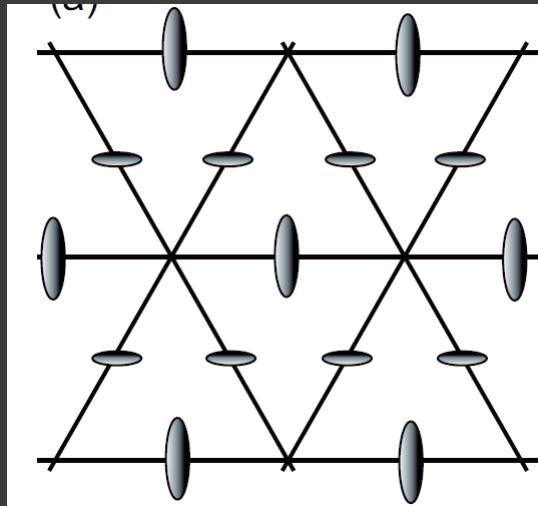
Possible nematic orders induced by d+id-wave magnon pairs

Chiral nematic state



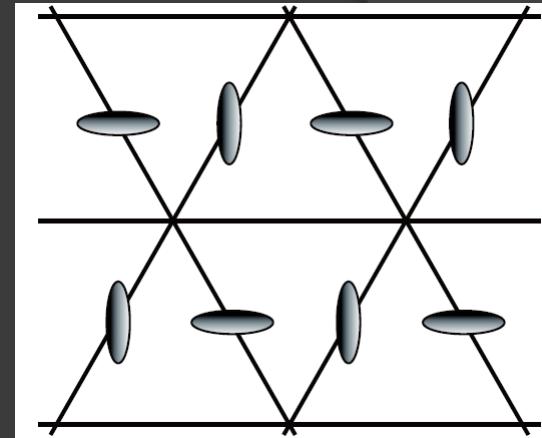
order parameters: Q_+ , Q_-

Non-chiral nematic state I



order parameter: $Q_+ + Q_-$

Non-chiral nematic state II



order parameter: $Q_+ - Q_-$

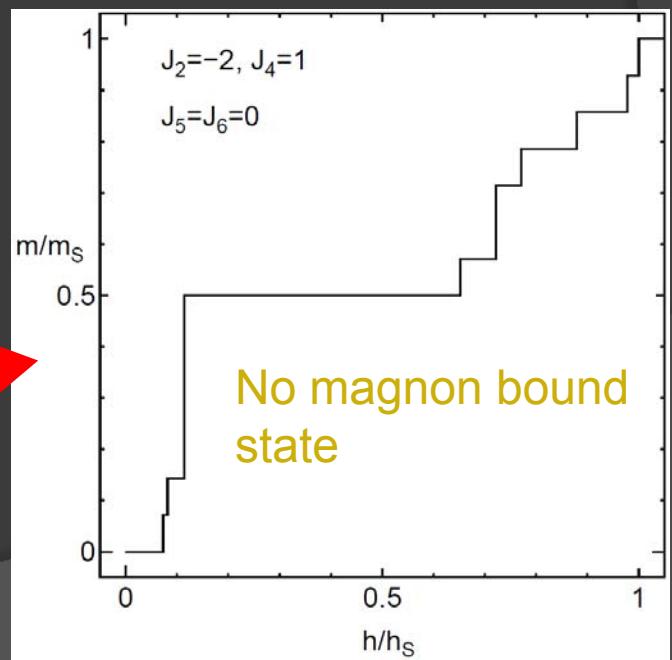
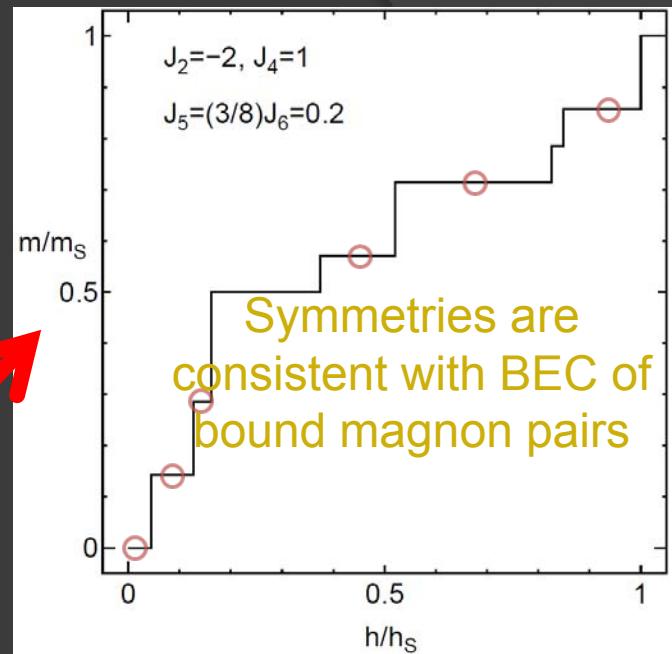
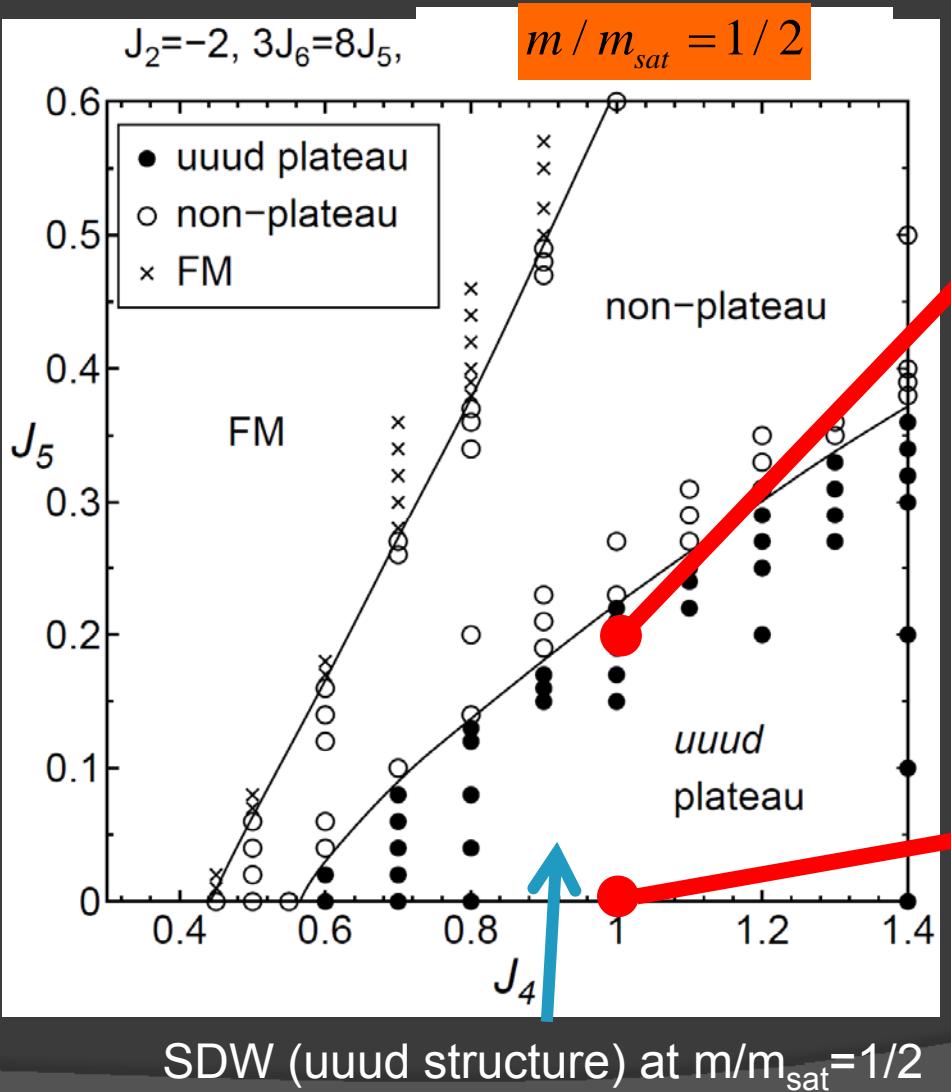
(a) Chiral nematic order

	$S = N/2 - 2(3n - 2)$	$S = N/2 - 2(3n - 1)$	$S = N/2 - 6n$
Chiral nematic order	$R_{2\pi/3} = j, j^2, R_\pi = 1$	$R_{2\pi/3} = j, j^2, R_\pi = 1$	$R_{2\pi/3} = 1, R_\pi = 1, \sigma = \pm 1$

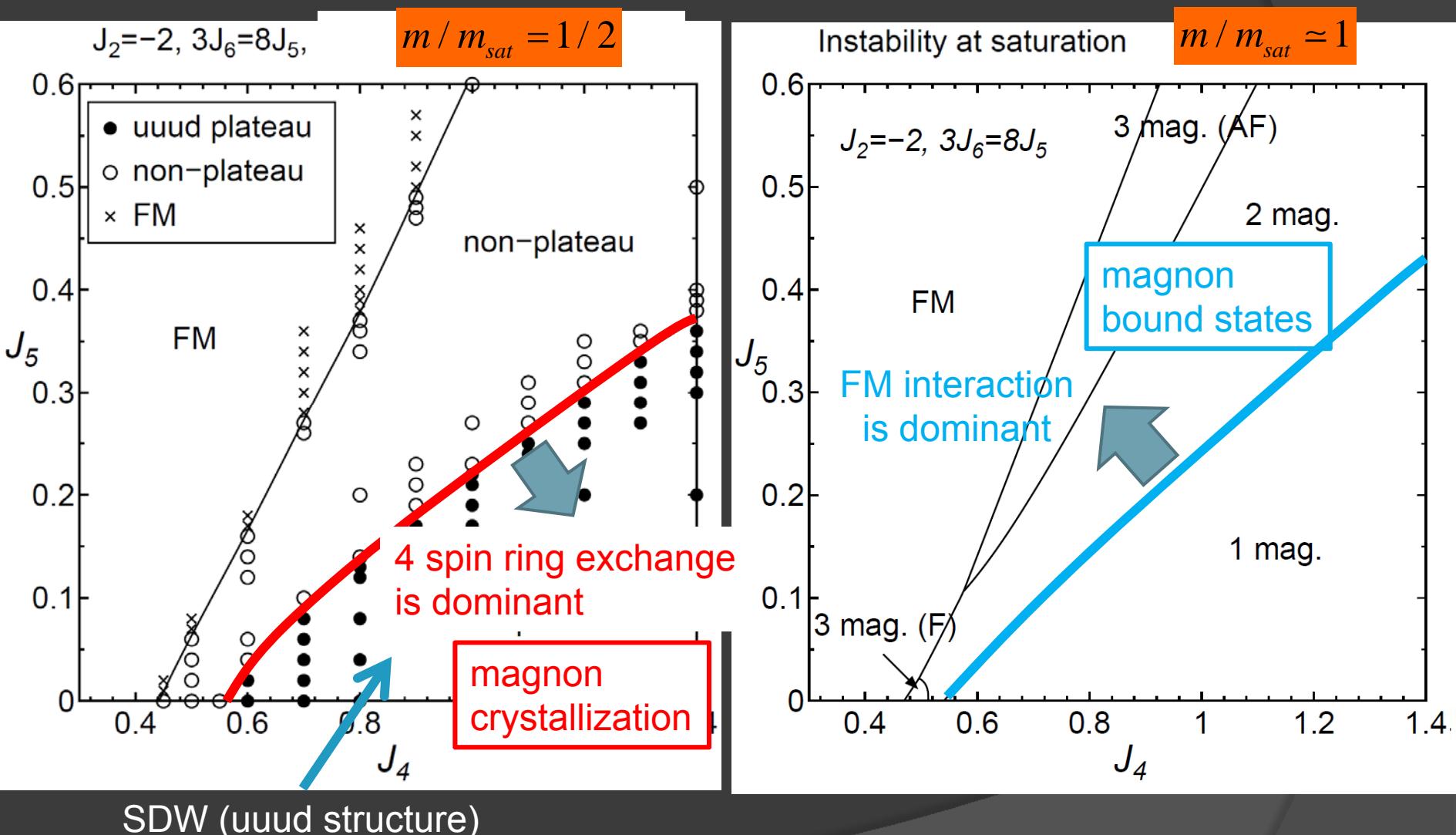
(b) Non-chiral nematic orders

	$S = N/2 - 2$	$S = N/2 - 4n$	$S = N/2 - 2(2n + 1)$
Non-chiral nematic order ($Q_+ + Q_-$)	$R_{2\pi/3} = j, j^2, R_\pi = 1$	$R_{2\pi/3} = j, j^2, R_\pi = 1$ $R_{2\pi/3} = 1, R_\pi = 1, \sigma = 1$	$R_{2\pi/3} = j, j^2, R_\pi = 1$ $R_{2\pi/3} = 1, R_\pi = 1, \sigma = 1$
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Magnetization plateau at $m/m_{\text{sat}}=1/2$



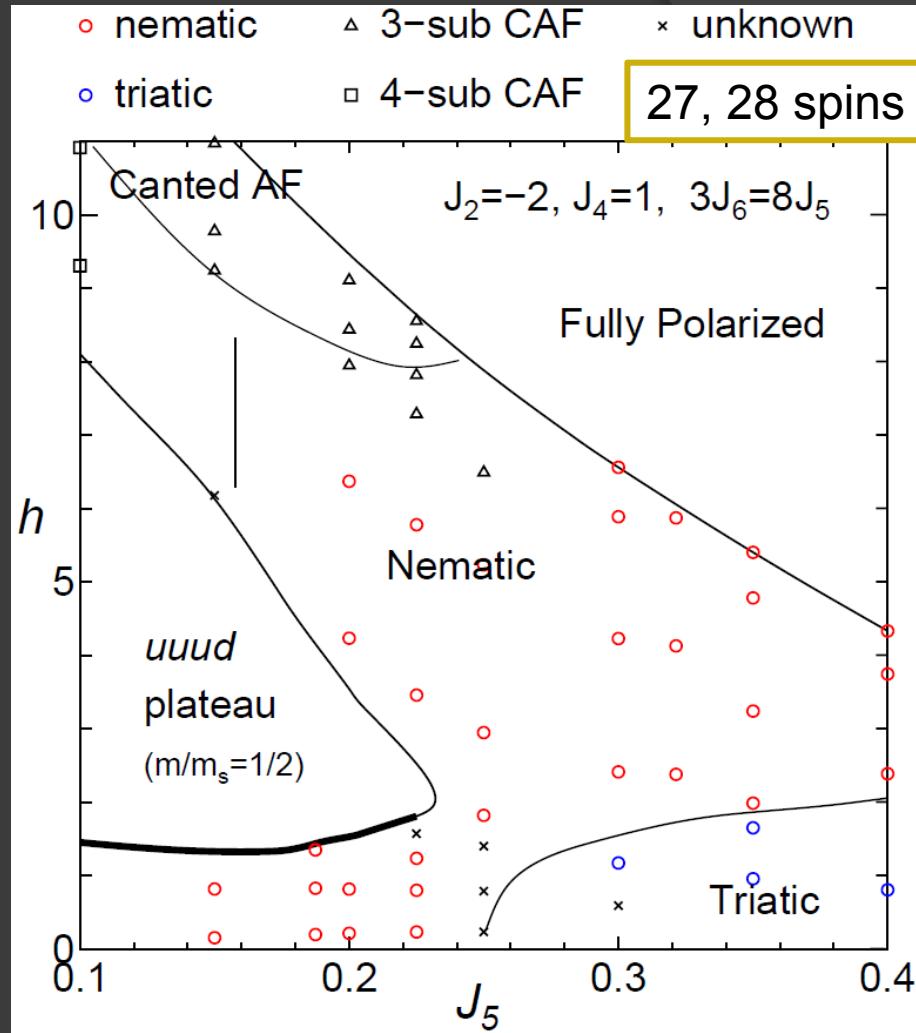
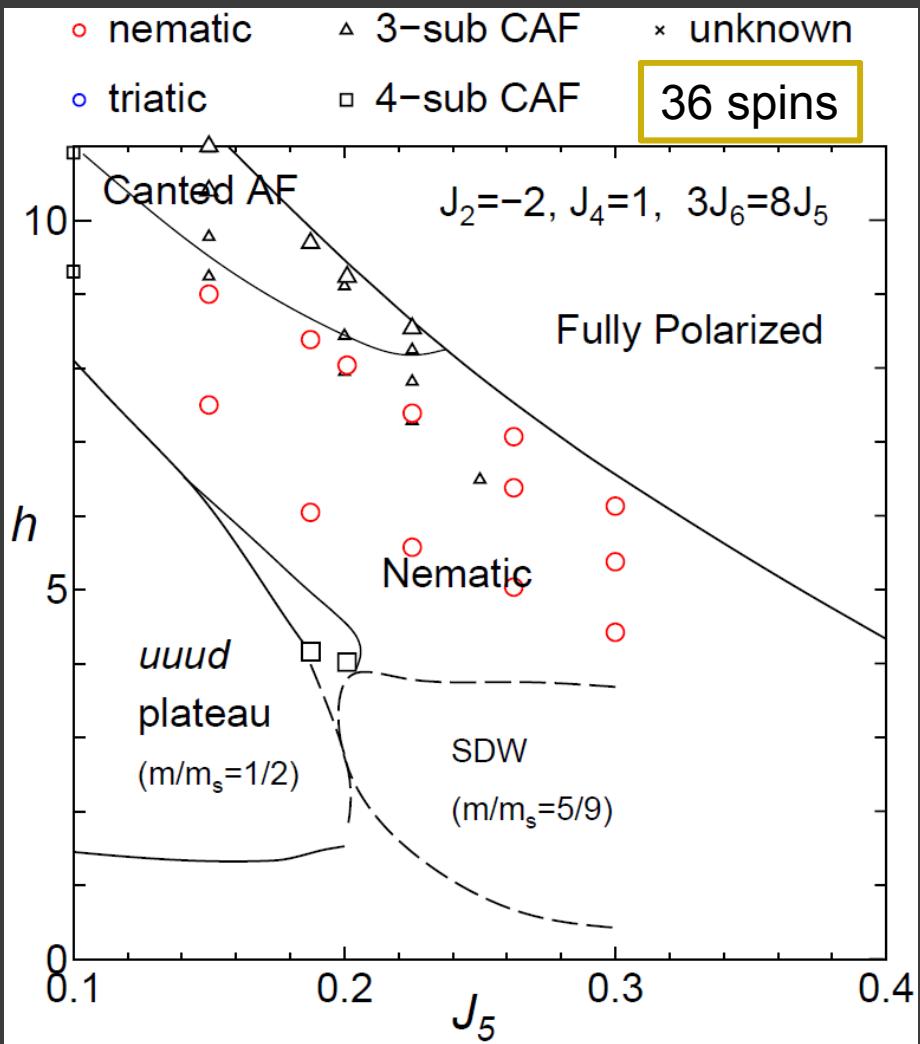
Crossover from FM interaction dominant system to AF ring exchange dominant system



cf. Effective two spin exchange is renormalized by J_5, J_6

$$J_{\text{eff}} = J - 10J_5 + 2J_6$$

Phase diagram

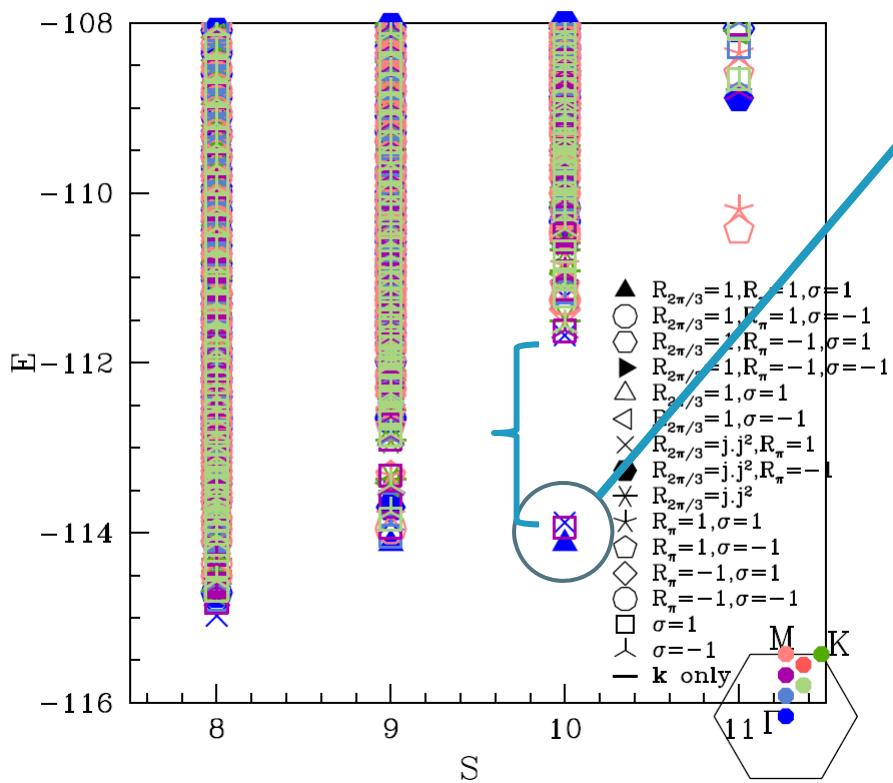


- ✓ still large size dependence remains
- ✓ too large J_6 ?

Another magnetization plateau ?

SDW at $m/m_{\text{sat}} = 5/9$

$N=36 \quad J_1=-2 \quad K=1 \quad K_5=-0.3 \quad K_6=0.8$

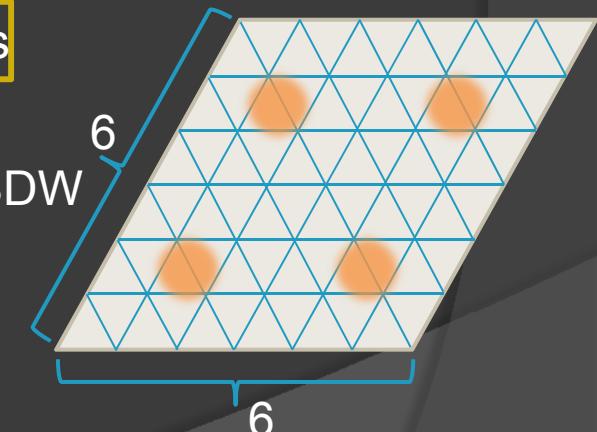


9-fold degeneracy

- Unit vectors $(3, 0), (3/2, 3\sqrt{3}/2)$
- Reciprocal vectors $(2\pi/3, 2\pi/3\sqrt{3}), (0, 4\pi/3\sqrt{3})$

36 spins

9 sublattice SDW



“particle” = two magnon bound state

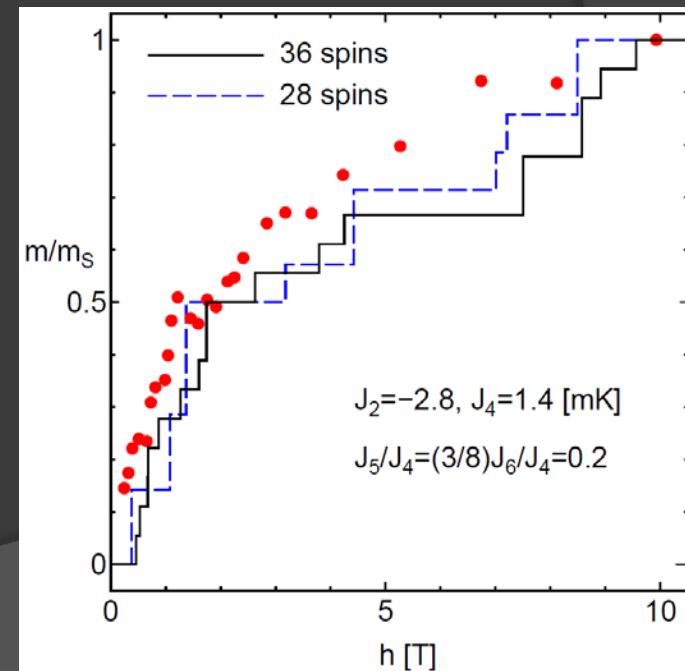
Conclusions

Spin nematic phase appears in spin-1/2 frustrated ferromagnets

- BEC of bound magnon pairs
- spin-triplet RVB state

Multiple-spin exchange model on the triangular lattice

- The 4/7 phase of solid ^3He film is in the proximity to the edge of 1/2-plateau.
- Non-plateau states show condensation of $d+id$ wave magnon pairs, which leads to a non-chiral nematic phase
- Low magnetization region seems to support magnon pairing, but there are still large finite-size effects...

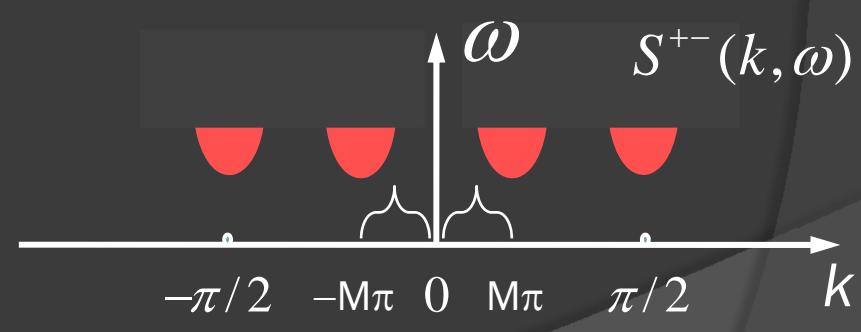
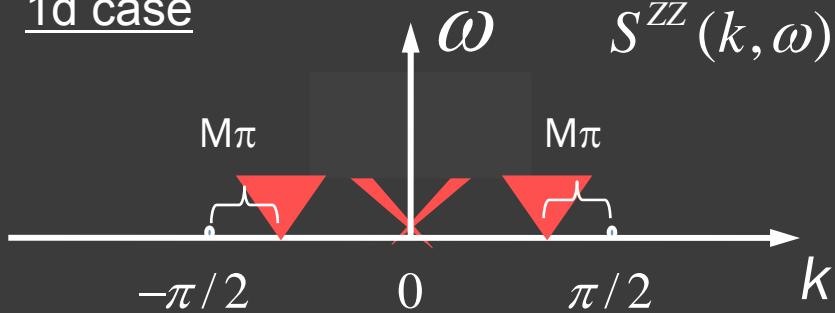


How it looks in experiments.

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> uniform | <input type="checkbox"/> no lattice distortion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> no spin order | <input type="checkbox"/> no Bragg peak in Neutron scattering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> gapless excitations | <input type="checkbox"/> specific heat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> magnon pairing
(spin-triplet pairing) | -- possibly double peak structure -- |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> finite susceptibility |

Unusual magnon excitations in $S(k, \omega)$ $h \parallel z$

1d case



→ rapid decay of
NMR relaxation rate $1/T_1$