

Determining entanglement measures in $SU(N)$ lattice gauge theory for $N > 4$: *difficulties and solutions*

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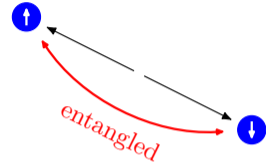


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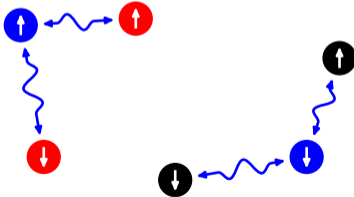
What is entanglement?

→ Quantum physical implementation of conservation laws

- Decay of spin-0 particle: $s = 0 \rightarrow s_1 + s_2 = 0$
- Pair creation from vacuum: $s = 0 \rightarrow s_1 + s_2 = 0$



- In a quantum field theory → correlations



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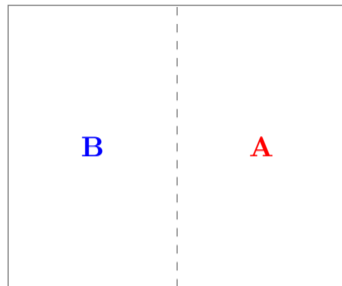
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(notation: $|\psi\rangle_C \langle\psi| = |\psi\rangle_C \otimes \langle\psi|_C$)



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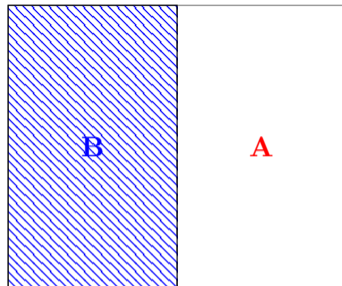
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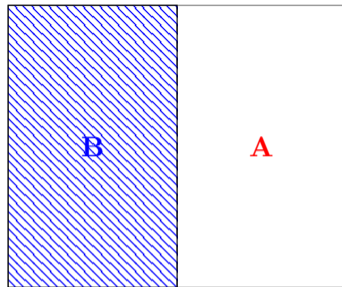
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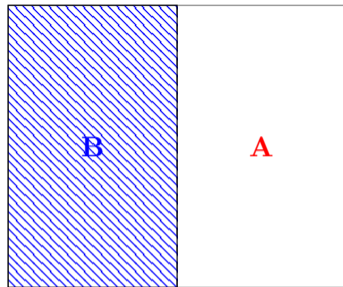
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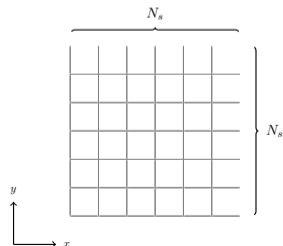
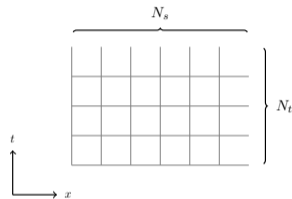


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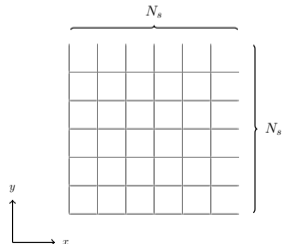
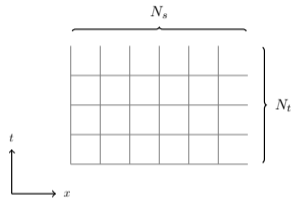
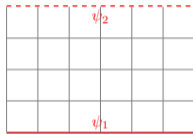
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$$U(\vec{x}, N_t) = \psi_2(\vec{x})$$
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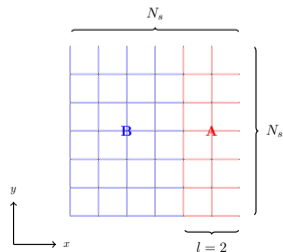
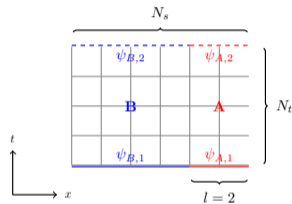
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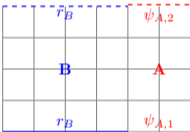
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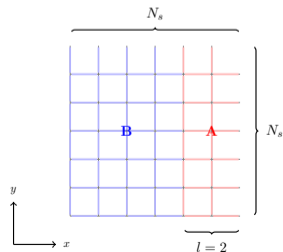
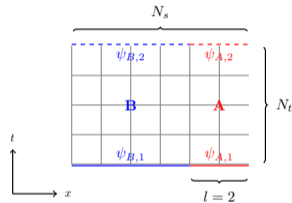
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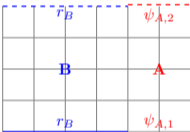
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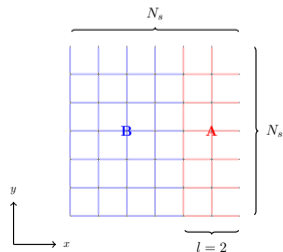
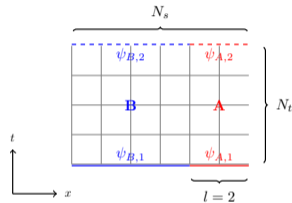
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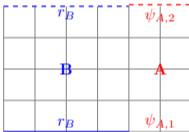
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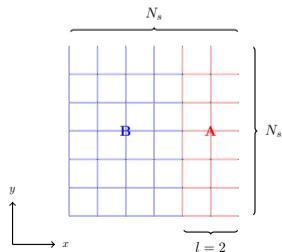
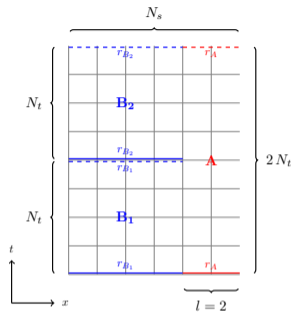
→ Replica method for s-th Rényi entropy:

$$H_s(l, N_t, N_s) = \frac{1}{1-s} \log \text{tr}(\rho_A^s) = \frac{1}{1-s} \log \frac{Z_c(l, s, N_t, N_s)}{Z^s(N_t, N_s)}$$

with "cut partition function" $Z_c(l, s, N_t, N_s)$

→ $Z_c(l=0, s, N_t, N_s) = Z^s(N_t, N_s) \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{N}$

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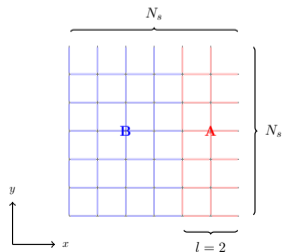
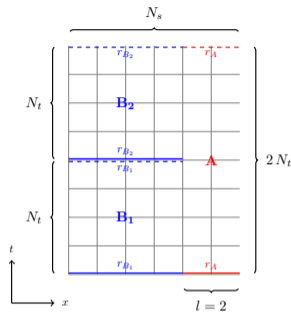
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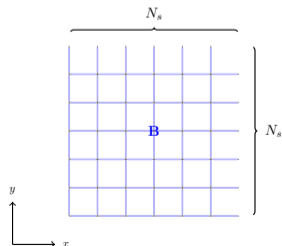
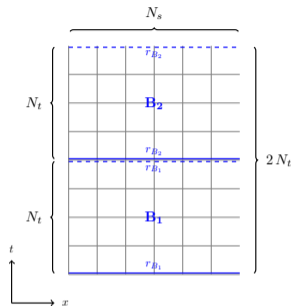
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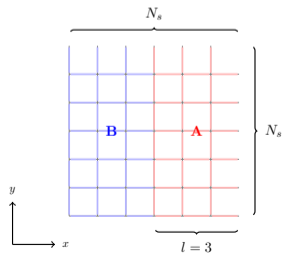
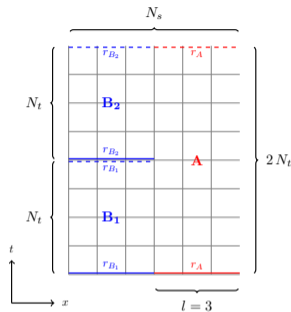
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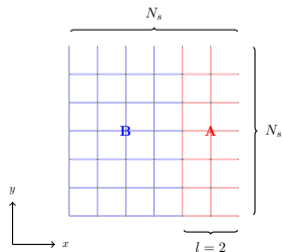
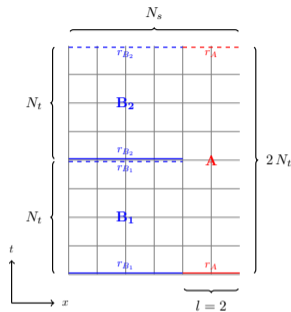
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→ $l \rightarrow l+1$ is non-local change \implies overlap problem

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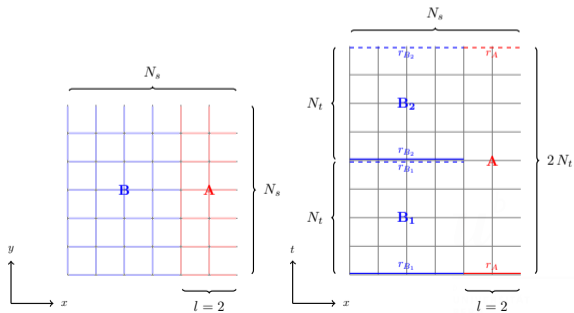
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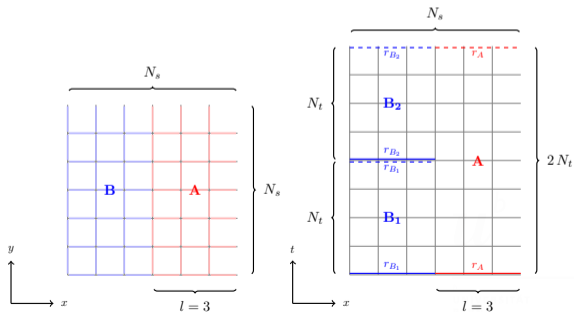
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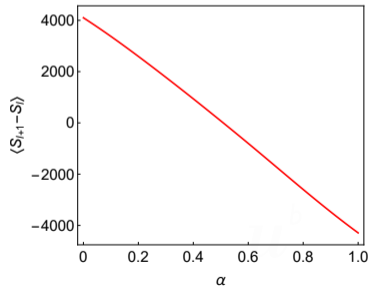
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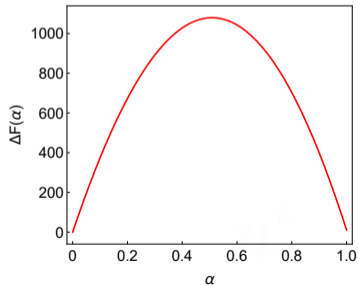
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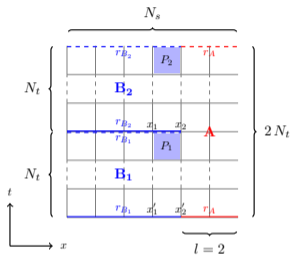
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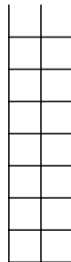
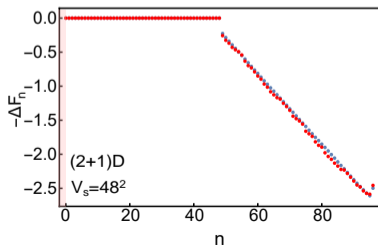
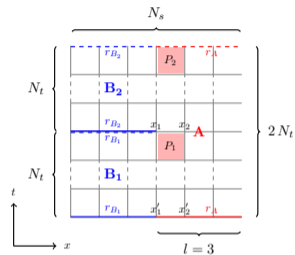
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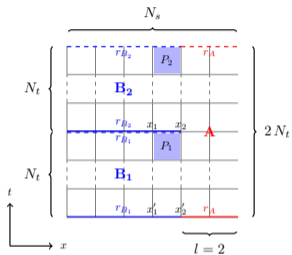


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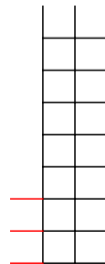
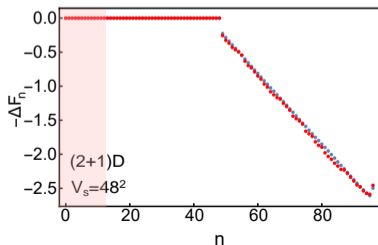
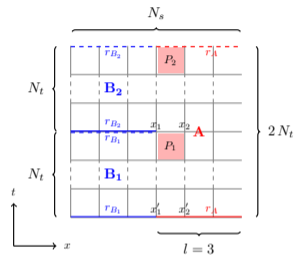
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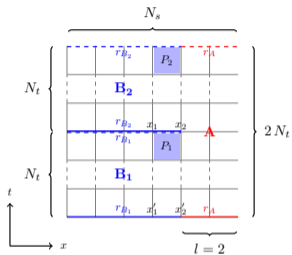


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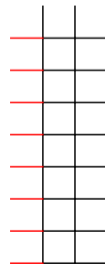
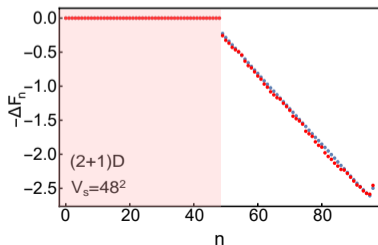
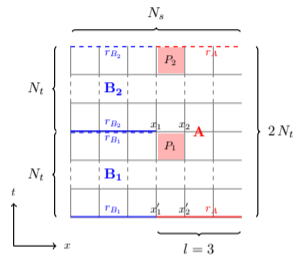
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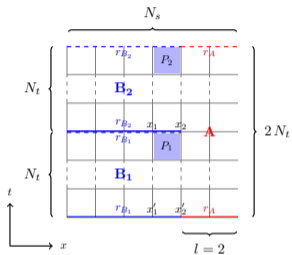


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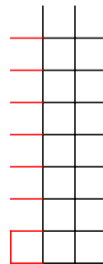
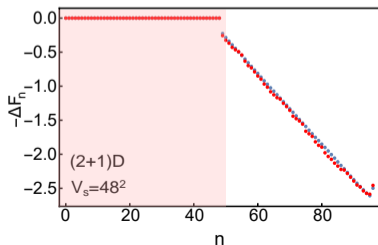
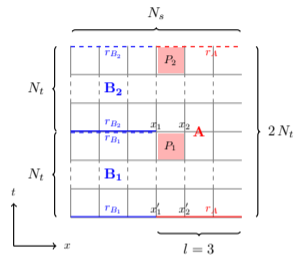
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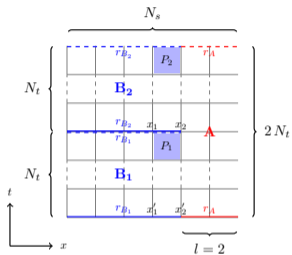


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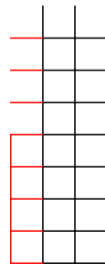
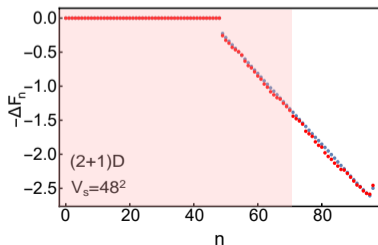
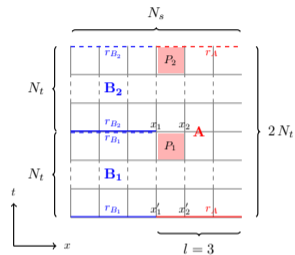
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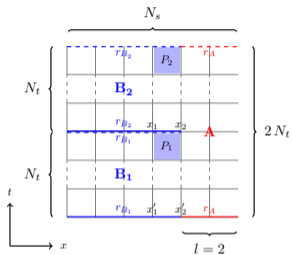


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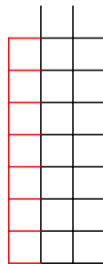
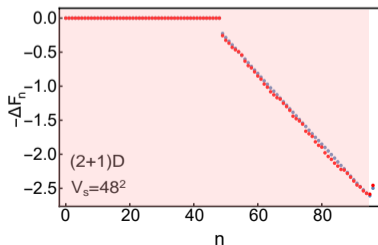
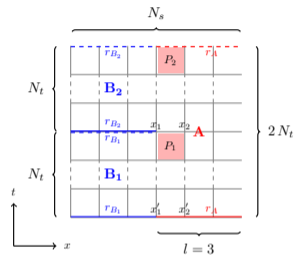
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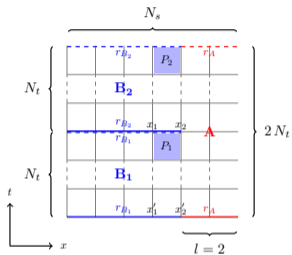


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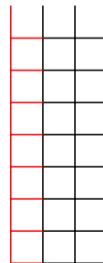
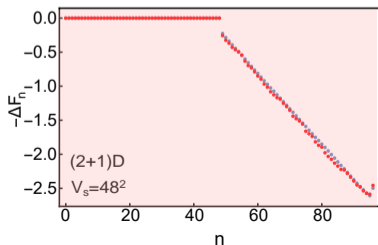
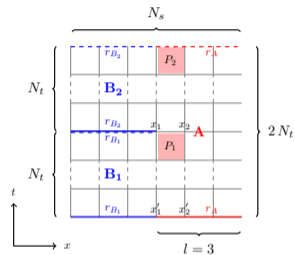
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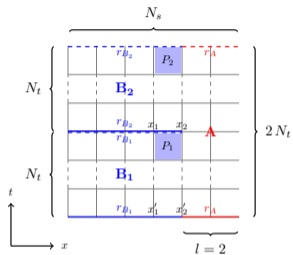


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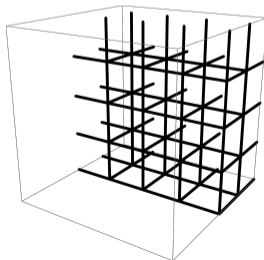
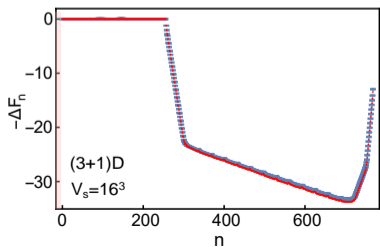
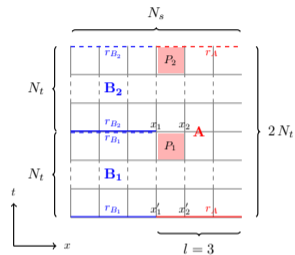
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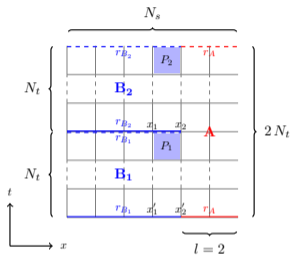


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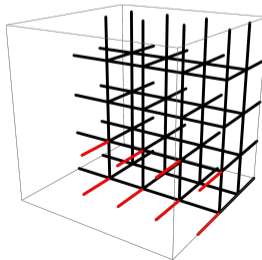
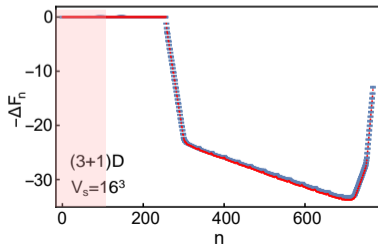
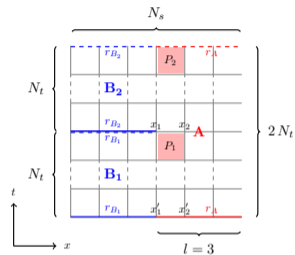
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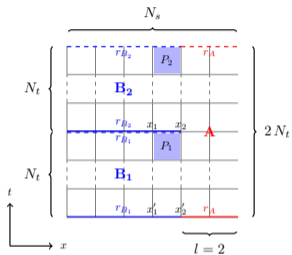


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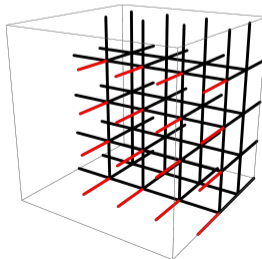
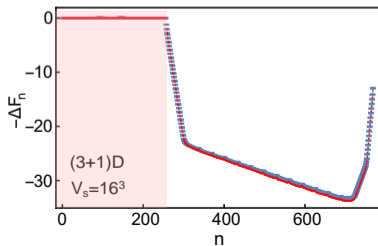
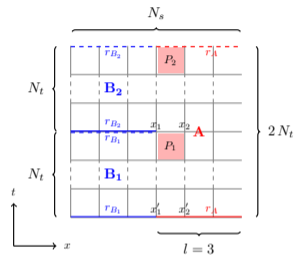
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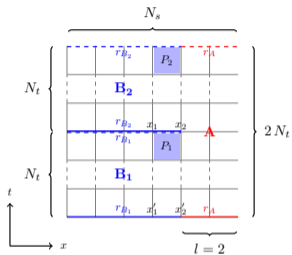


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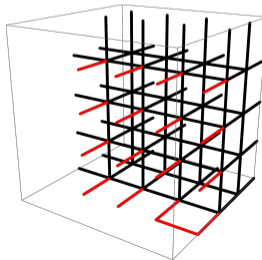
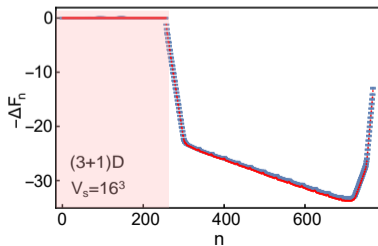
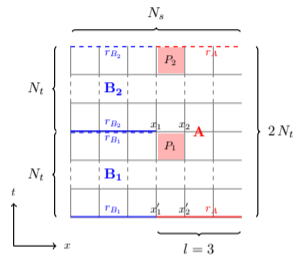
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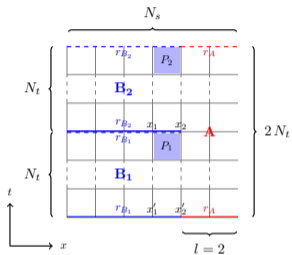


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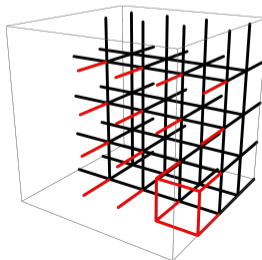
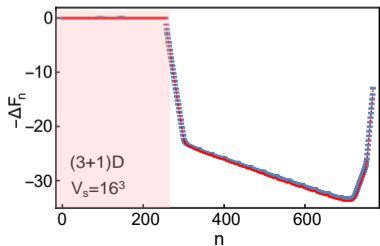
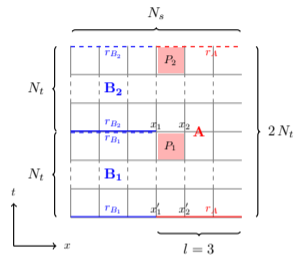
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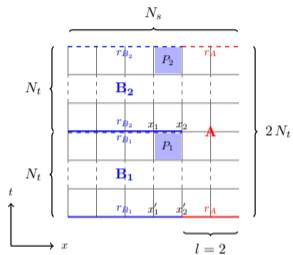


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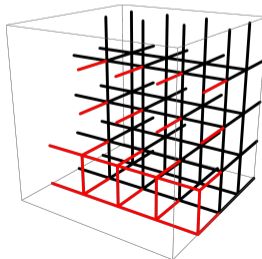
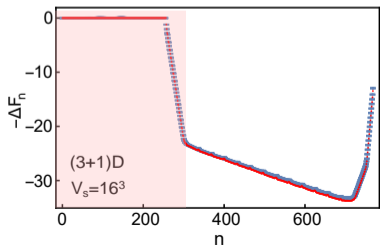
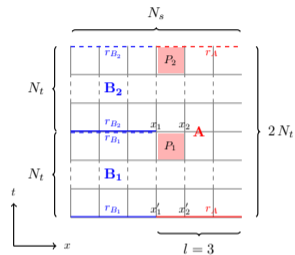
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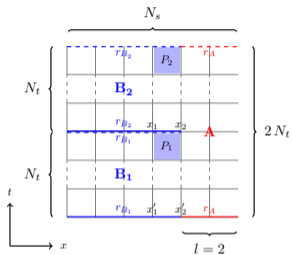


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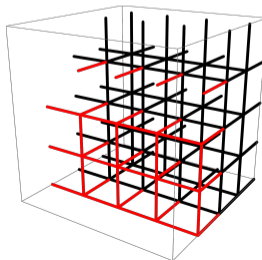
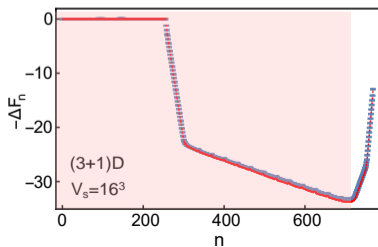
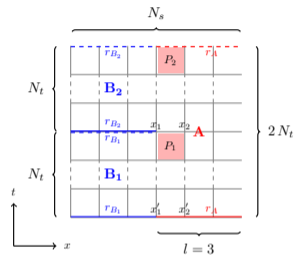
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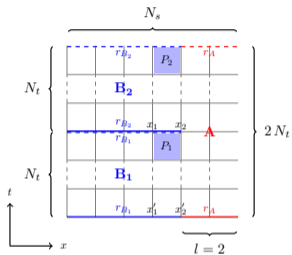


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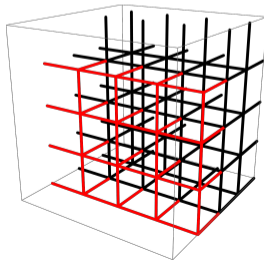
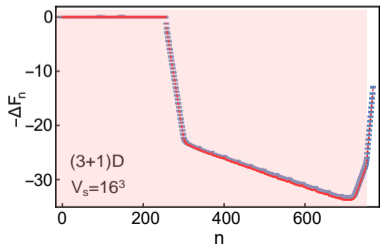
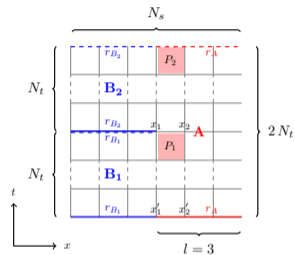
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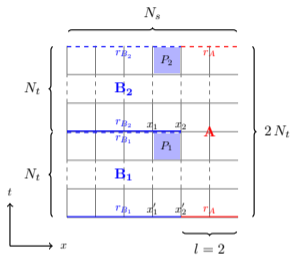


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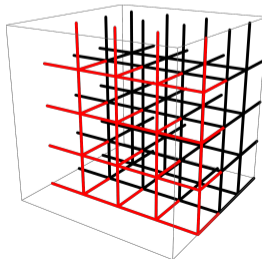
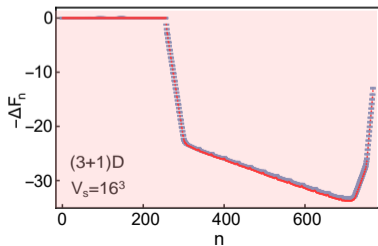
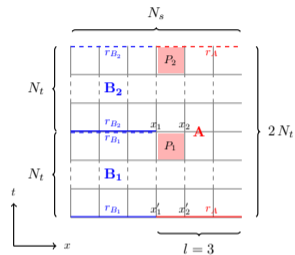
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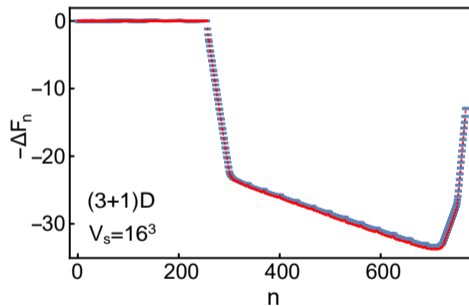
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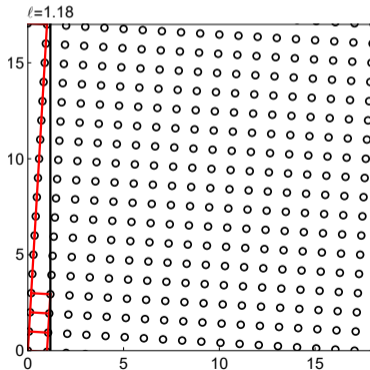
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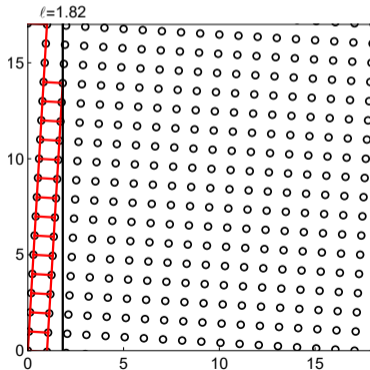
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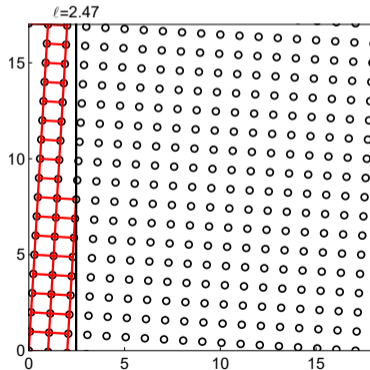


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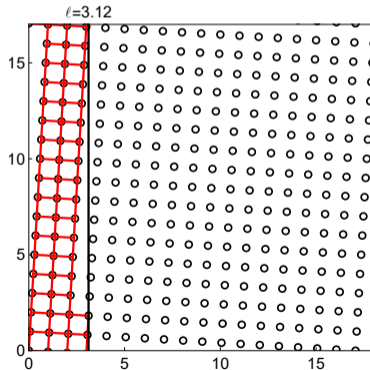


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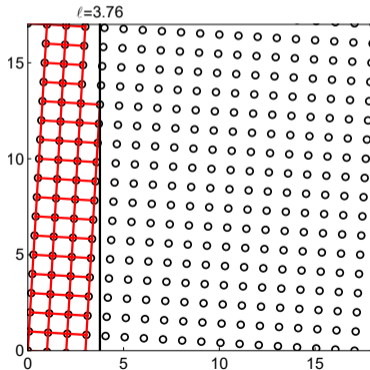


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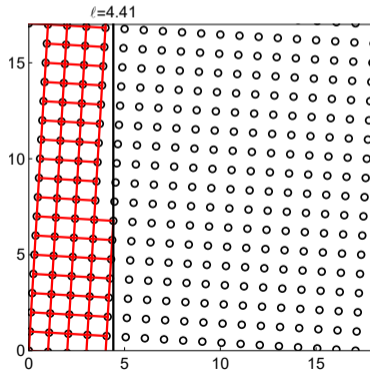


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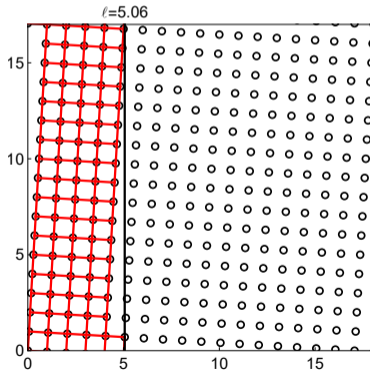
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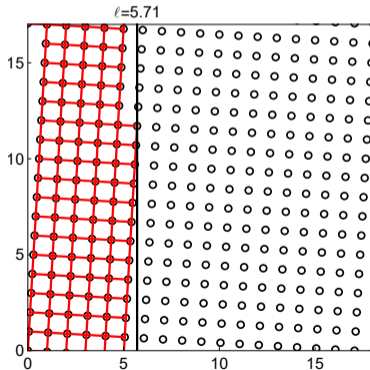


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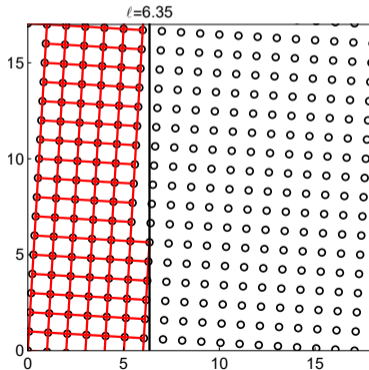


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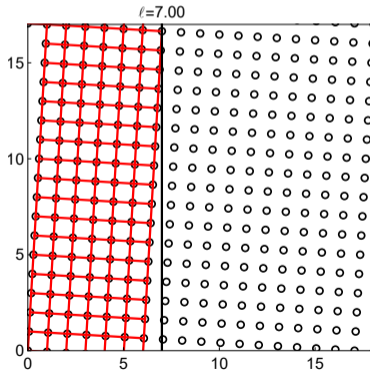


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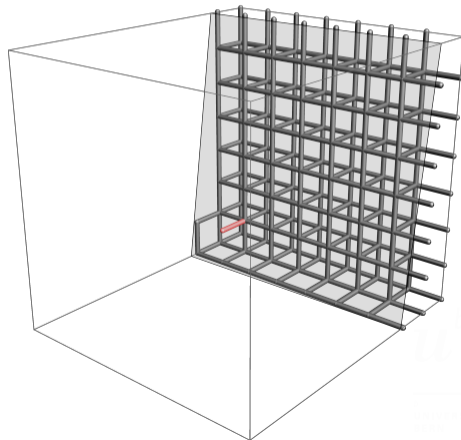
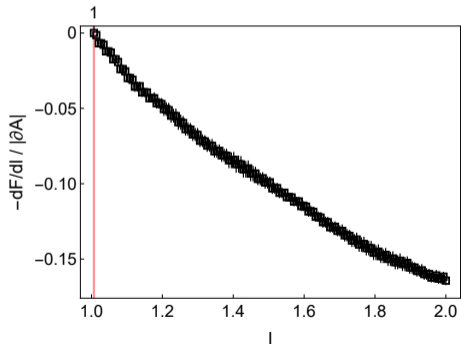
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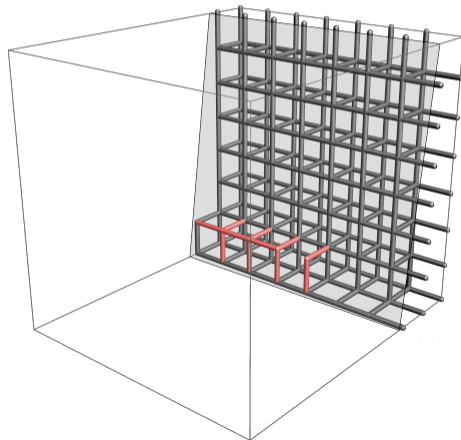
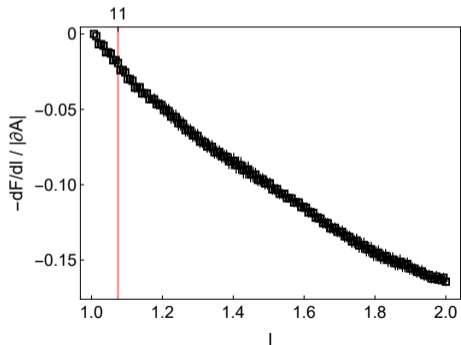
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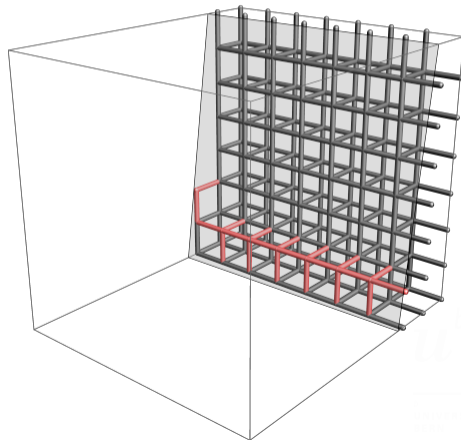
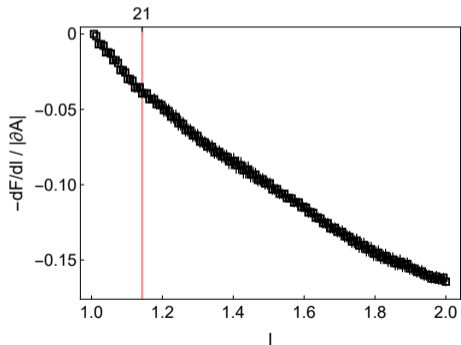
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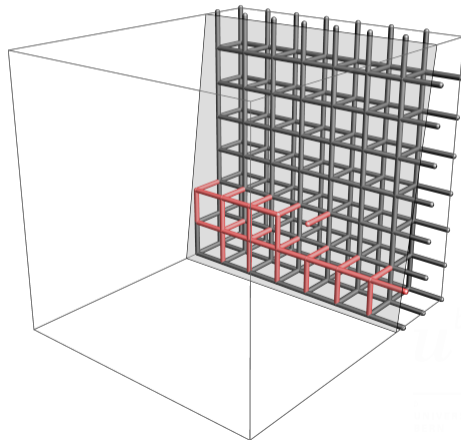
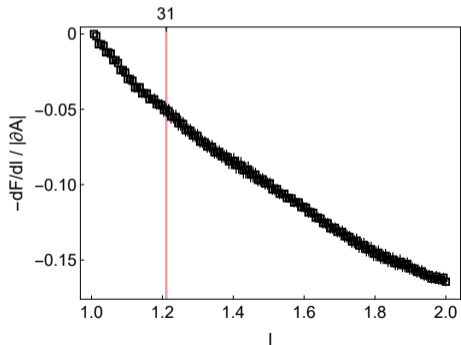
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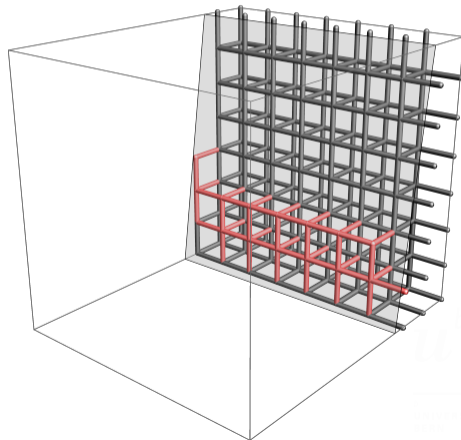
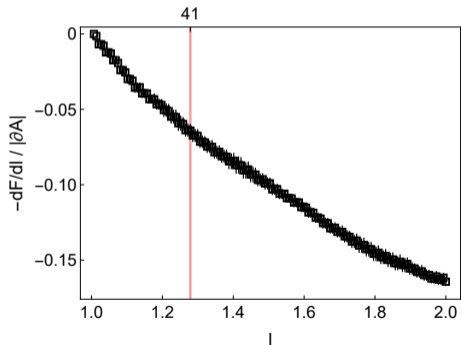
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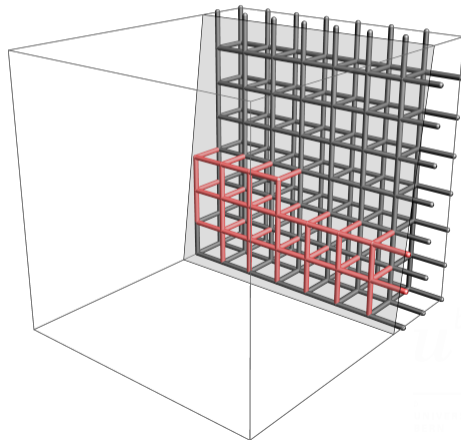
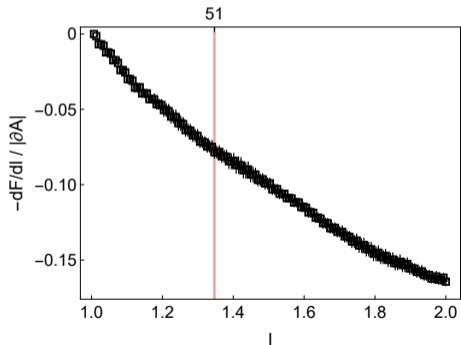
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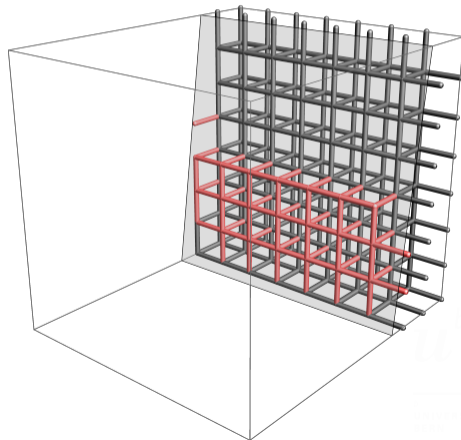
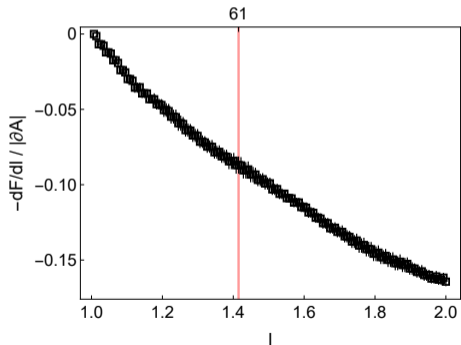
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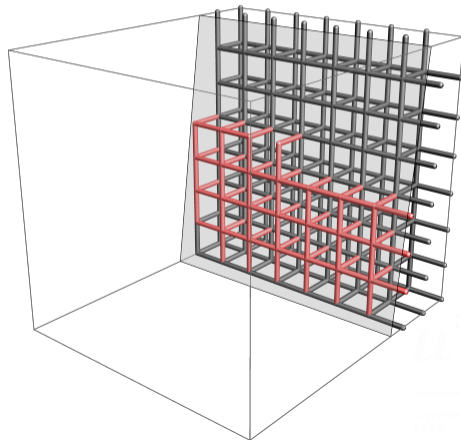
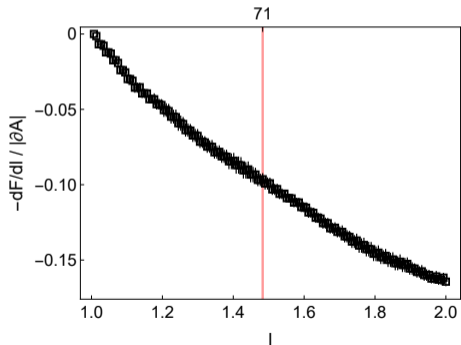
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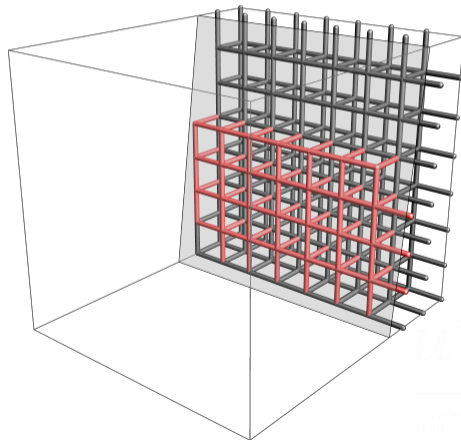
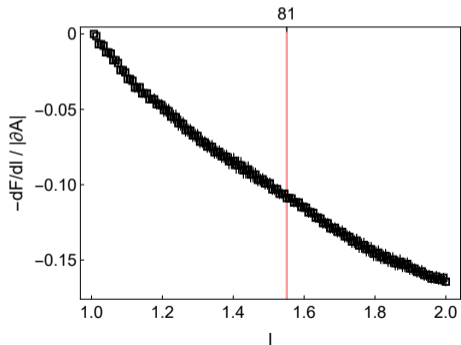
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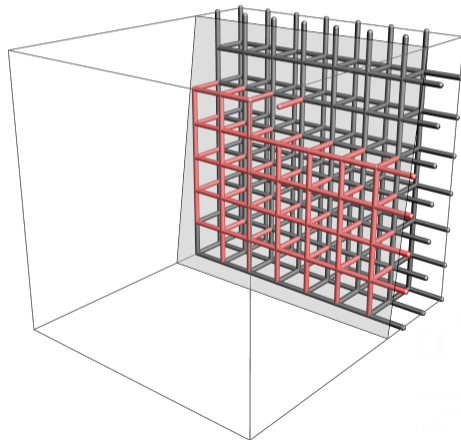
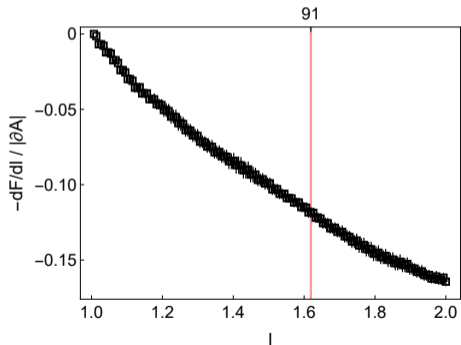
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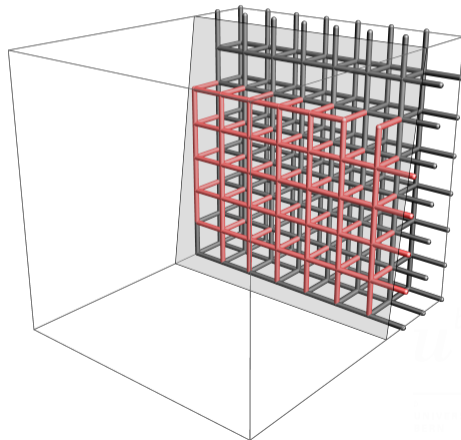
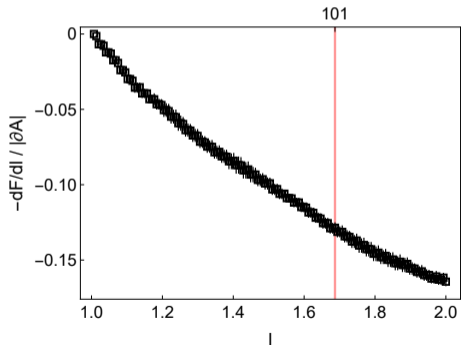
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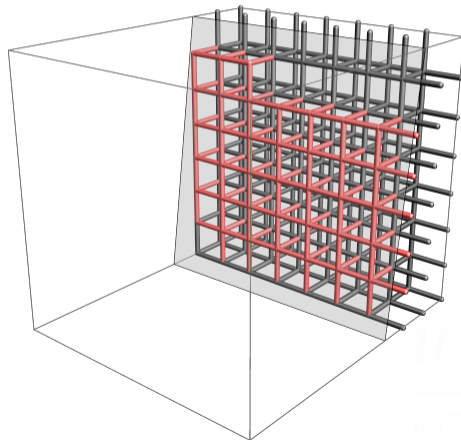
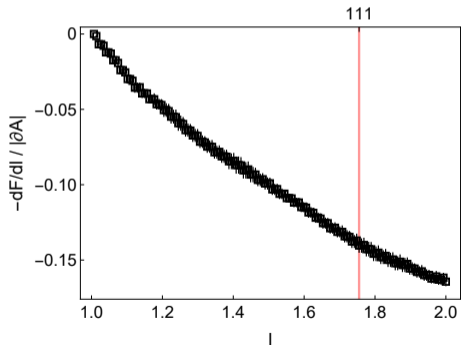
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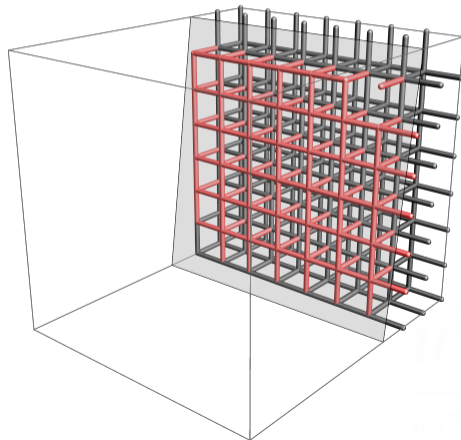
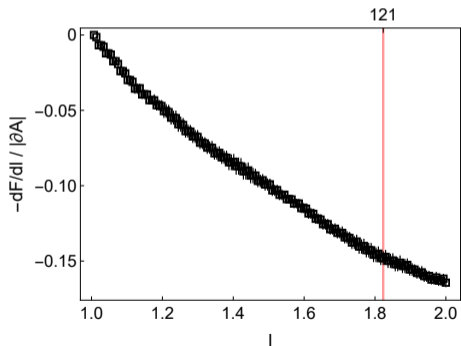
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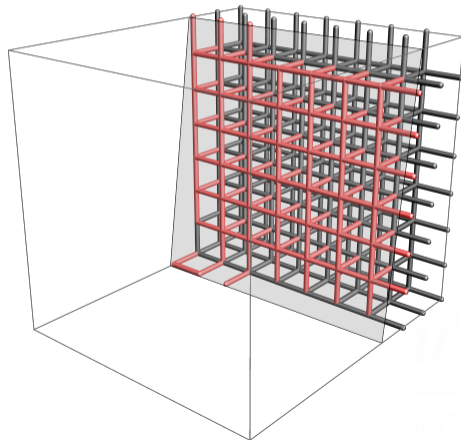
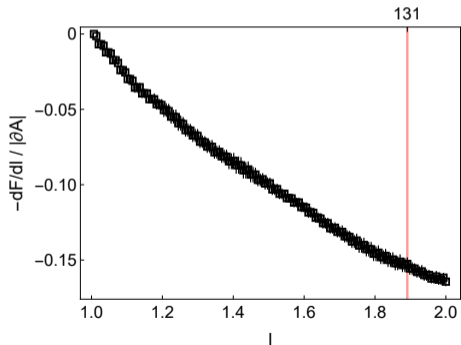
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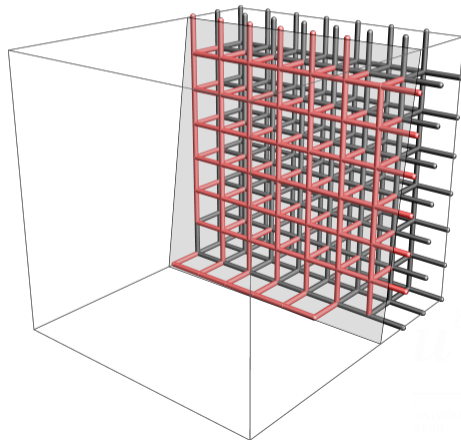
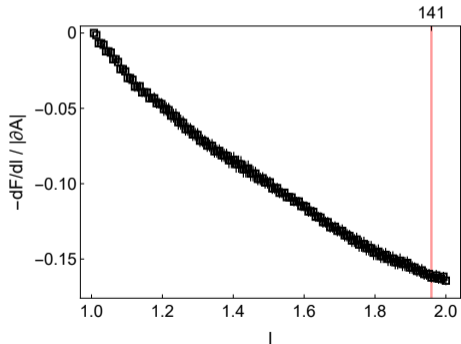
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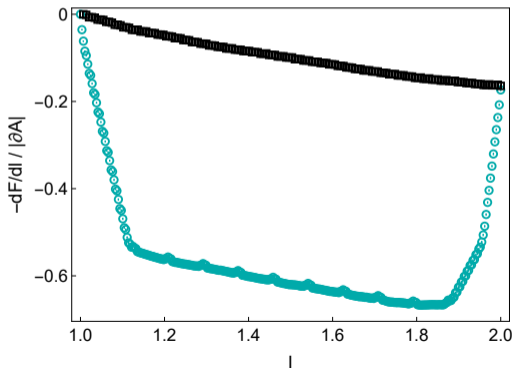
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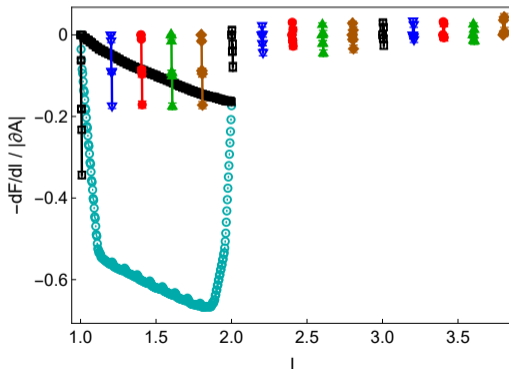
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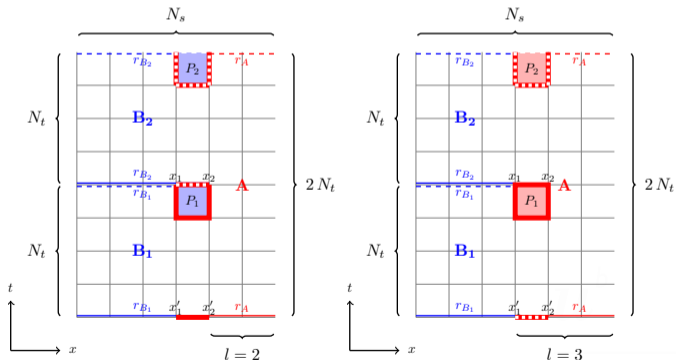


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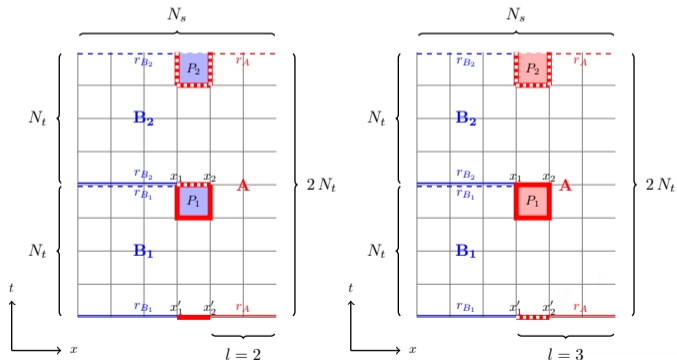
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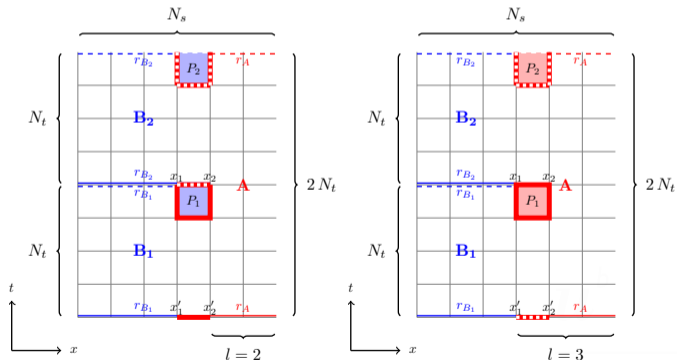
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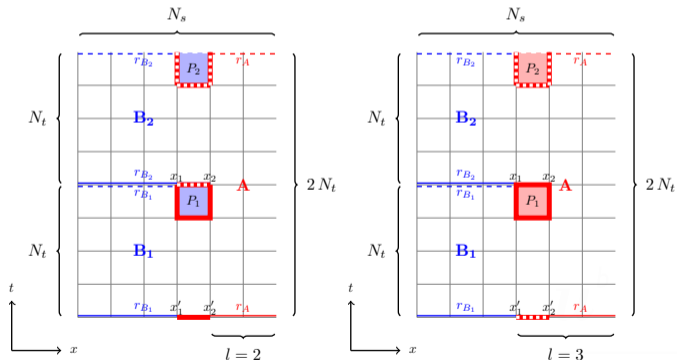
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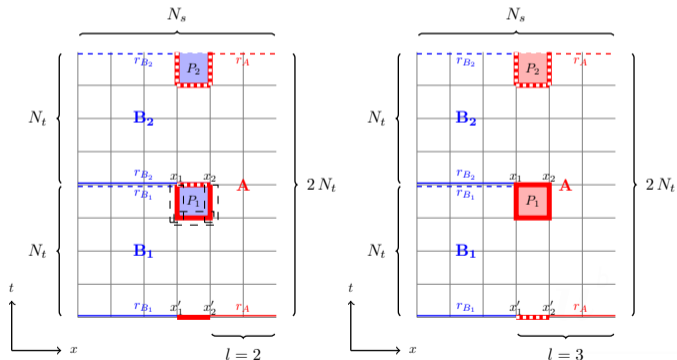
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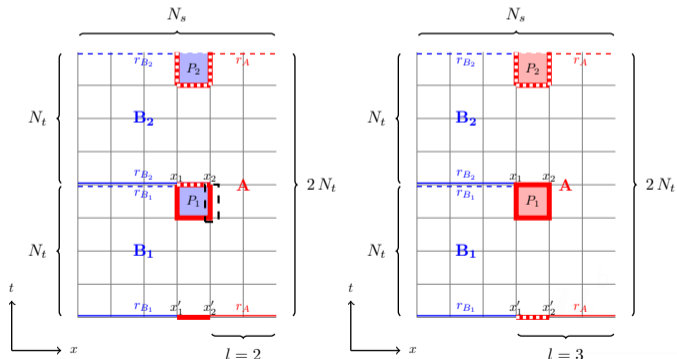
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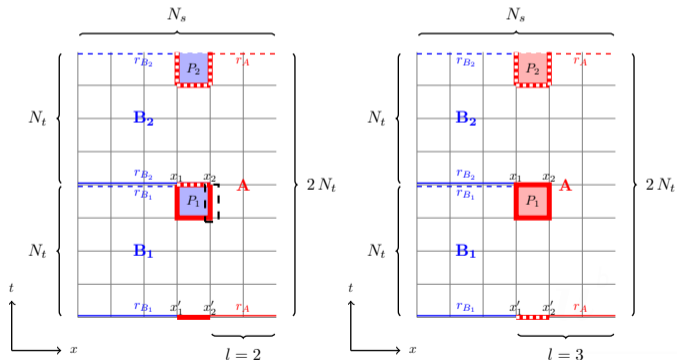
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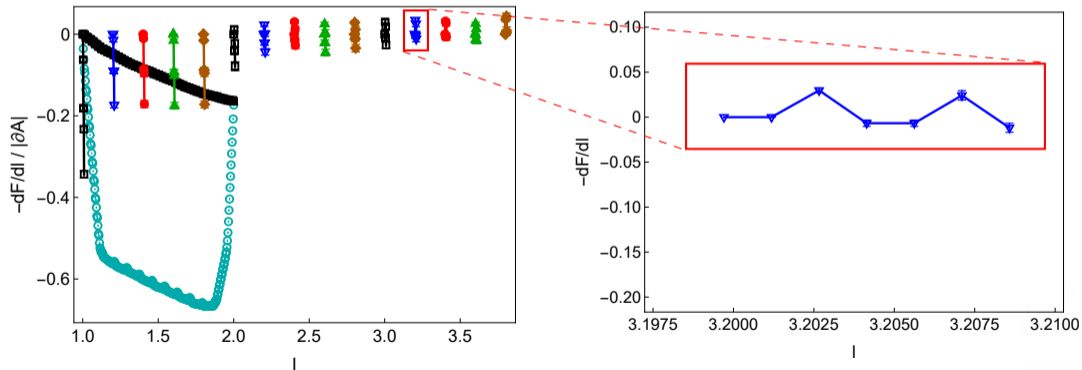


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■ For $\ell > 2$ non-monotonic change in free energy during BC change for single spatial cube

→ auto-correlation issue?

→ can it be avoided?

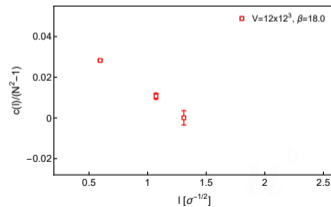
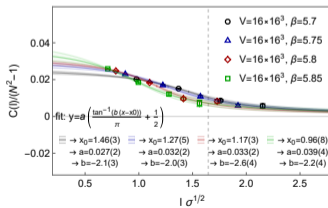
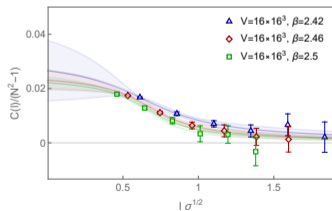


Conclusions

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- Worm-like update for temporal BC flip over spatial link results in significantly higher acceptance rates. (but still small as N increases)
- Remnant "single cube" free energy barrier can show up for $\ell > 2$.

Outlook

- Some ideas to overcome the "single cube" free energy barriers and improve acceptance rates for BC updates further.
- Applications: entropic c-function for $SU(2)$, $SU(3)$, $SU(5)$, mutual information, ...



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