

# The path optimization for the sign problem of low dimensional QCD

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# Sign problem

- When  $S \in \mathbb{C}$ , serious cancellation occurs in integration at large volume. And, integrals cannot be obtained precisely.

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}x e^{-\text{Re}S - i\text{Im}S} \ll \int \mathcal{D}x e^{-\text{Re}S}$$

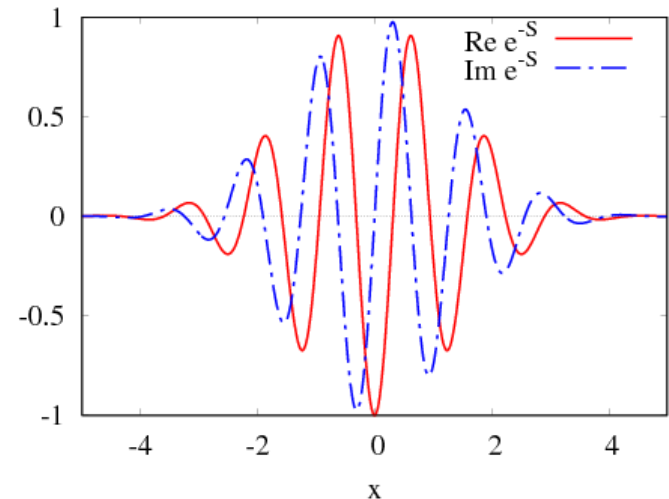
- Seriousness of the sign problem
  - ... average phase factor (APF)

$$\text{APF} = \frac{\int \mathcal{D}x e^{-\text{Re}S} e^{-i\text{Im}S}}{\int \mathcal{D}x e^{-\text{Re}S}}$$

$$\sim e^{-\beta V \Delta f} \sim 0$$

ex.)  $e^{-S(x)} = (x + 10i)^{50} e^{-x^2/2}$

J. Nishimura and S. Shimasaki,  
PRD 92 (2015) 011501



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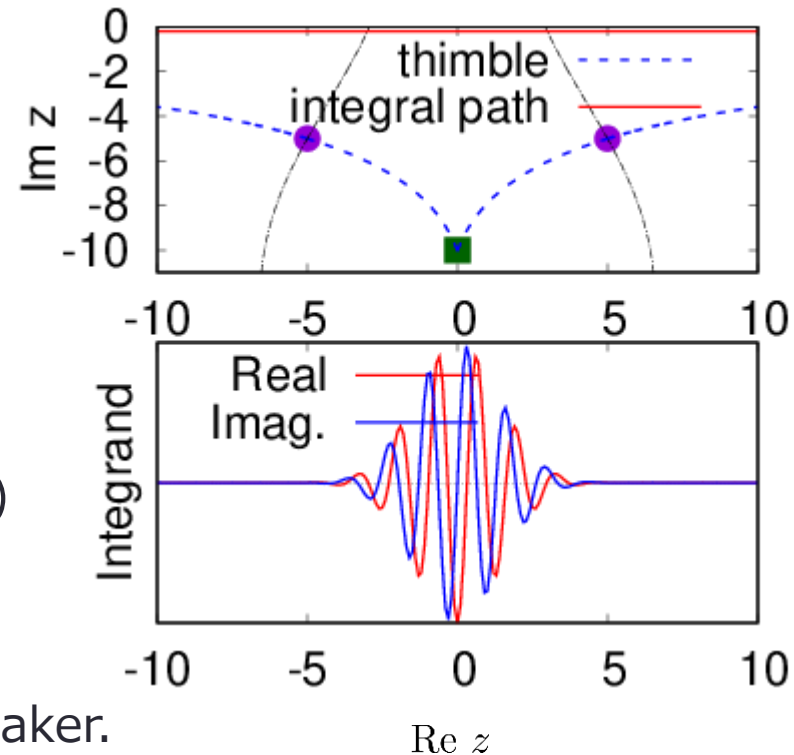
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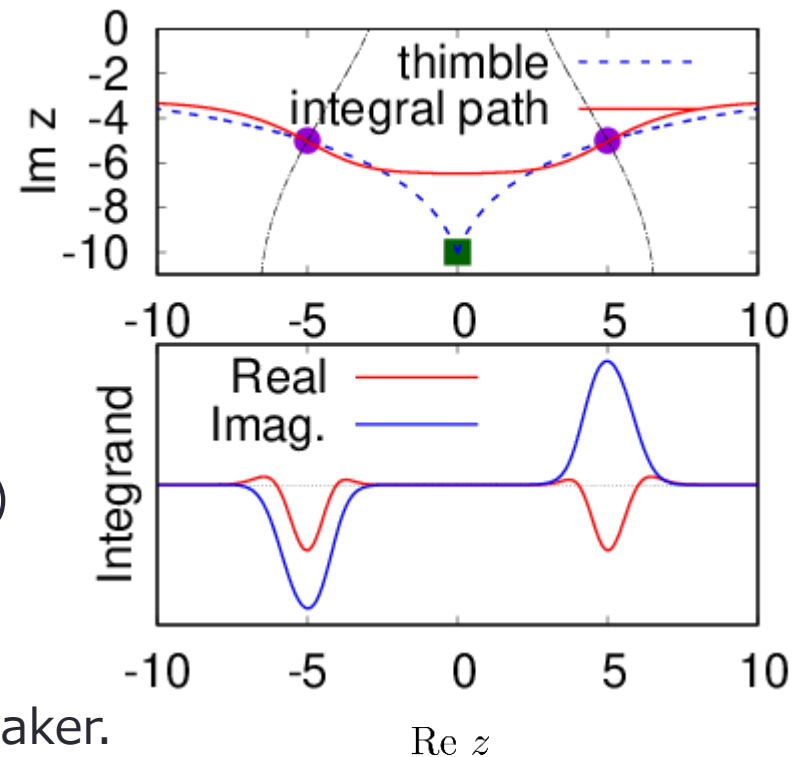
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# Neural Network for field theories

Neural Network(NN) is powerful to represent any functions of many inputs.

- Combination of linear and non-linear transformation

$$a_i = g(W_{ij}^{(1)} t_j + b_i^{(1)})$$

$$f_i = g(W_{ij}^{(2)} a_j + b_i^{(2)})$$

$g(x)$  : Activation fn. (ex. tanh)

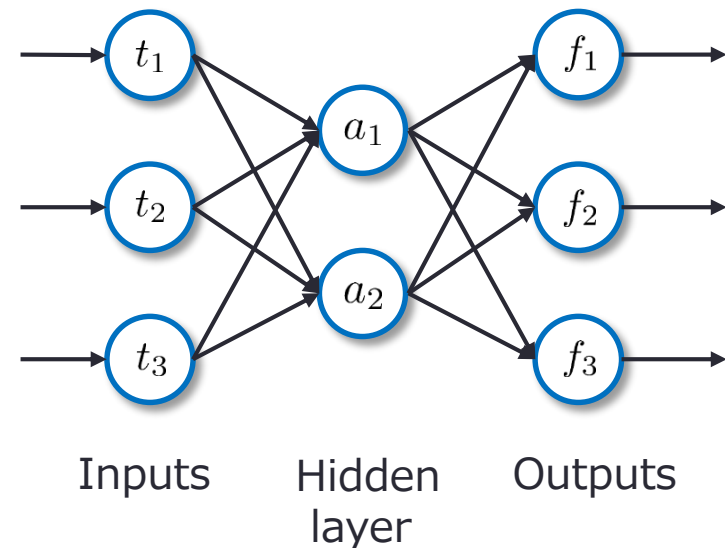
✘  $W, b, \alpha, \beta$  : parameters

- Any fn. can be reproduced at (# of units of hidden layer)  $\rightarrow \infty$  (Universal approximation theorem)

G. Cybenko, *MCSS* 2, 303 (1989)

K. Hornik, *Neural networks* 4, 251 (1991)

- We input the real part of variables, and obtain the imaginary part from outputs.



$$z_i(t) = t_i + i(\alpha_i f_i(t) + \beta_i)$$

# 0+1 dim. QCD

YM, Kashiwa, Ohnishi,  
arXiv:1904.11140

Application to gauge theories

- 1-species of Staggered fermion cf. CLM: [Aarts, et al.\(2010\)](#)  
LTM: [Schmidt, et al.\(2016\)](#),  
[Di Renzo, et al.\(2017\)](#)

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\tau} (\bar{\chi}_{\tau} e^{\mu} U_{\tau} \chi_{\tau+\hat{0}} - \bar{\chi}_{\tau+\hat{0}} e^{-\mu} U_{\tau}^{-1} \chi_{\tau}) + m \sum_{\tau} \bar{\chi}_{\tau} \chi_{\tau}$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}U \det D[U] = \int dU \det [X_N + (-1)^N e^{\mu/T} U + e^{-\mu/T} U^{-1}]$$

$$X_N = 2 \cosh(E/T), \quad E = \operatorname{arcsinh} m, \quad T = 1/N$$

One link variable, No plaquette

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There are two ways of complexifying link variables.

## ① Complexification after diagonal gauge fixing

$$U = \text{diag}(e^{ix_1}, e^{ix_2}, e^{ix_3}), \quad (x_3 = -(x_1 + x_2))$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int dx_1 dx_2 \underbrace{H(x)}_{\text{Haar measure}} \exp(-S(x))$$

$$H(x) = \frac{8}{3\pi^2} \prod_{a < b} \sin^2 \left( \frac{x_a - x_b}{2} \right)$$

$$e^{-S(x)} = \prod (X_N + 2 \cos(x_a - i\mu))$$

$$x_a \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow z_a \in \mathbb{C} \quad z_a(x) = x_a + iy_a(x), \quad y_a(x): \text{trial function}$$

## ② Complexification without diagonal gauge fixing

$$U \in \text{SU}(3) \rightarrow \mathcal{U} \in \text{SL}(3, \mathbb{C})$$

- ex.  $\mathcal{U}(U) = U \prod_a \exp(y_a \lambda_a) \quad y_a(U) : \text{trial function}$



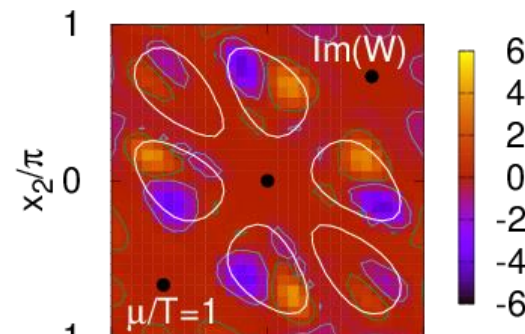
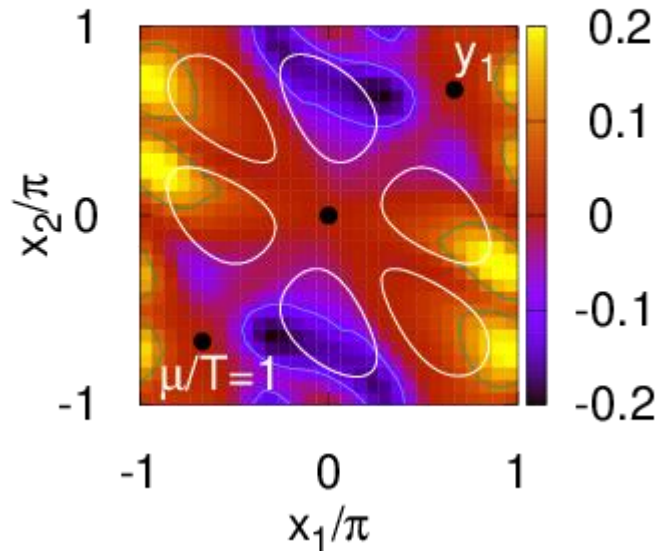
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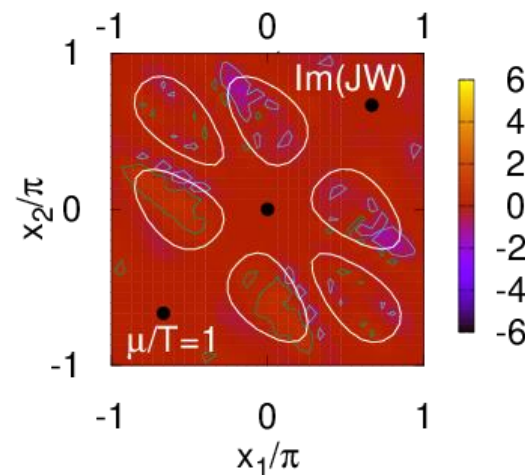
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Optimization of  $z$  by gradient descent method

$$m = 0.05, T = 0.5, \mu/T = 1.0$$



$$W = H e^{-S}$$



Phase of  $J$  cancels that of  $W$

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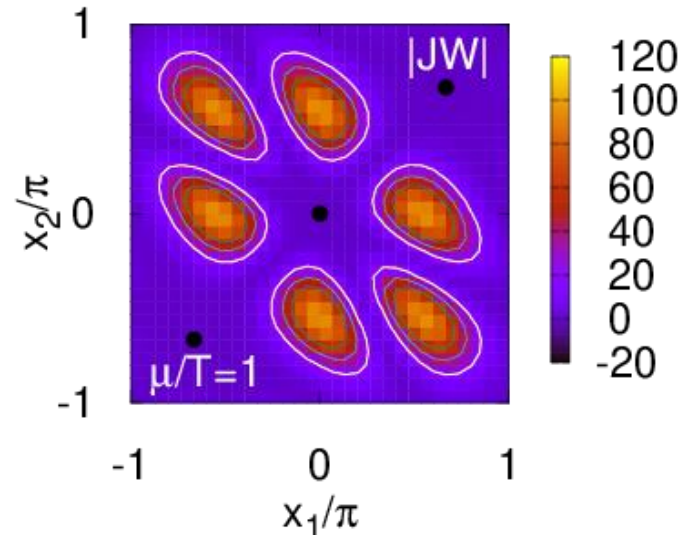
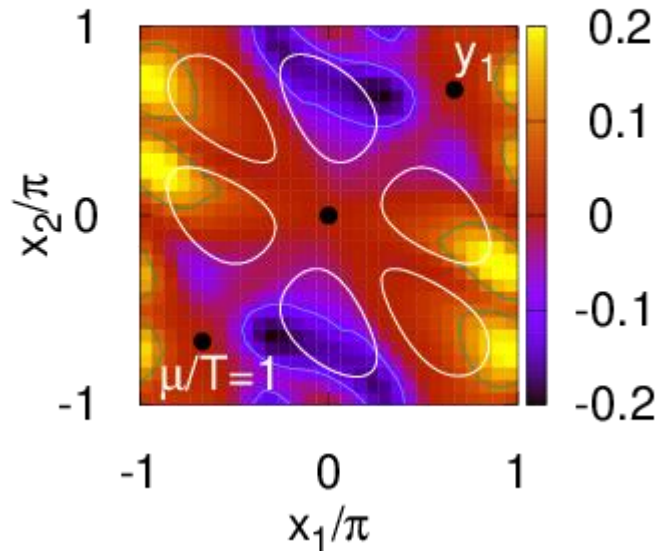
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→ Separation of probability distribution.  
Difficulty in HMC.



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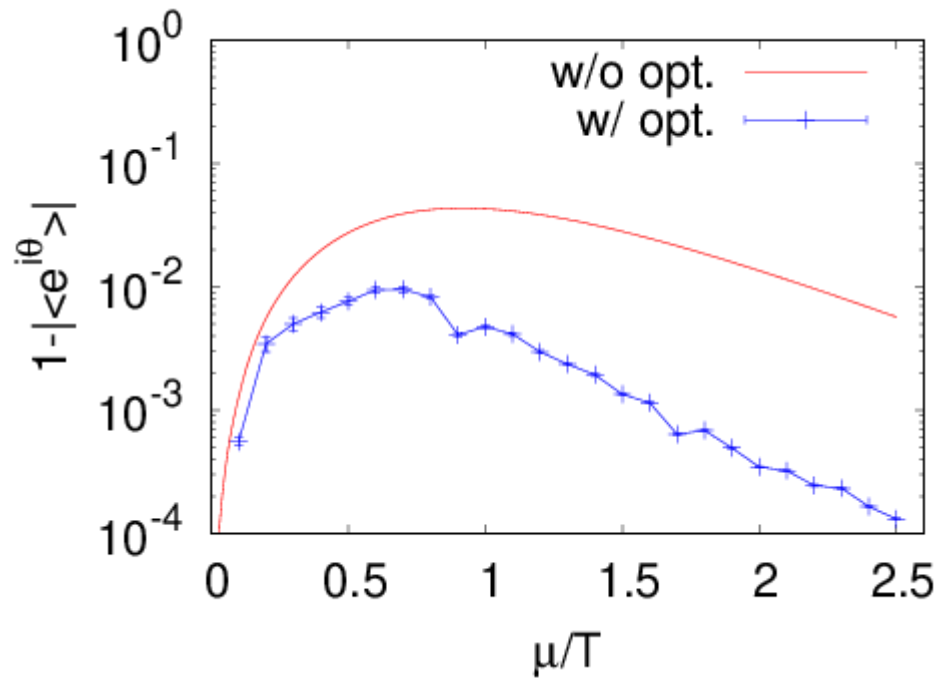
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We generate the configurations by HMC and optimize NN parameters by stochastic gradient descent (SGD, Adadelta).

### ● 1 – average phase factor (APF)



After some steps of optimization, 1-APF becomes 3~100 times smaller than before.

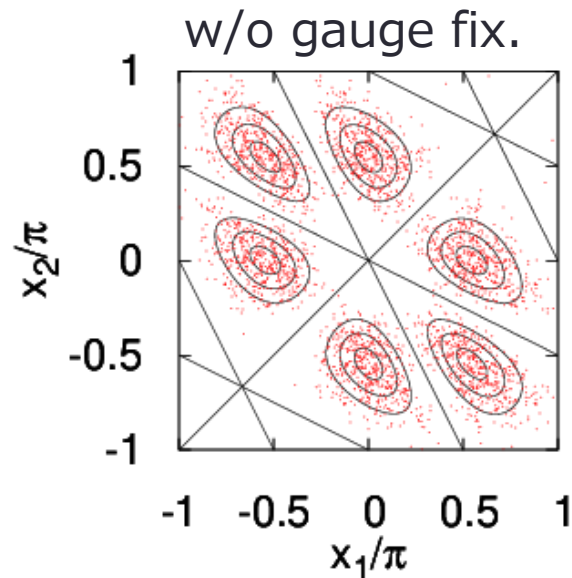
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- Eigenvalue distribution

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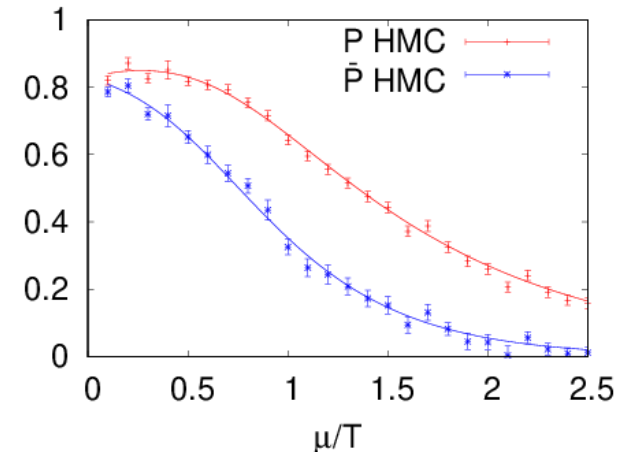
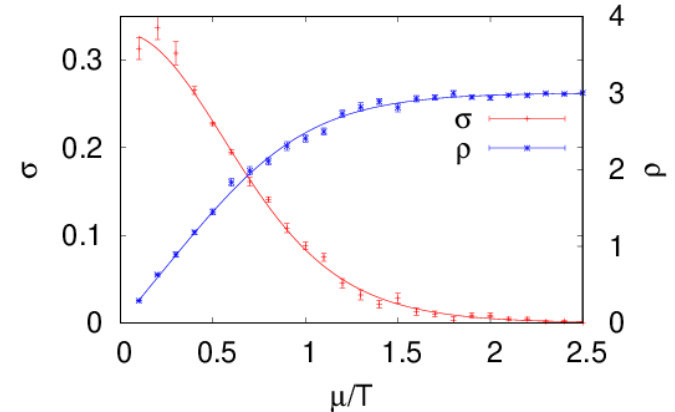
Six separated region are produced  
by HMC



$$m = 0.05, T = 0.5, \mu/T = 1.0$$

- Expectation value

Consistent with exact solutions.



# 1+1D QCD

YM, Kashiwa, Ohnishi,  
in progress

- Action with staggered fermion (strong coupling)

$$S = \bar{\chi}_x D_{xy} \chi_y$$

$$D_{xy} = m\delta_{x,y} + \frac{1}{2}(-1)^{x_0} \{ \delta_{x+\hat{1},y} U_{1,x} - \delta_{x,y+\hat{1}} U_{1,y}^{-1} \} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \{ \delta_{x+\hat{0},y} e^{\mu} U_{0,x} - \delta_{x,y+\hat{0}} e^{-\mu} U_{0,y}^{-1} \}$$

- Polyakov gauge (without diagonal gauge fixing)

$$U_{0,x} \begin{cases} = \mathbb{1} & (x_0 \neq N_\tau) \\ \in \text{SU}(3, \mathbb{C}) & (x_0 = N_\tau) \end{cases}$$

- Complexification

$$U_{\nu,x} \in \text{SU}(3) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_{\nu,x}(U) \in \text{SL}(3, \mathbb{C})$$

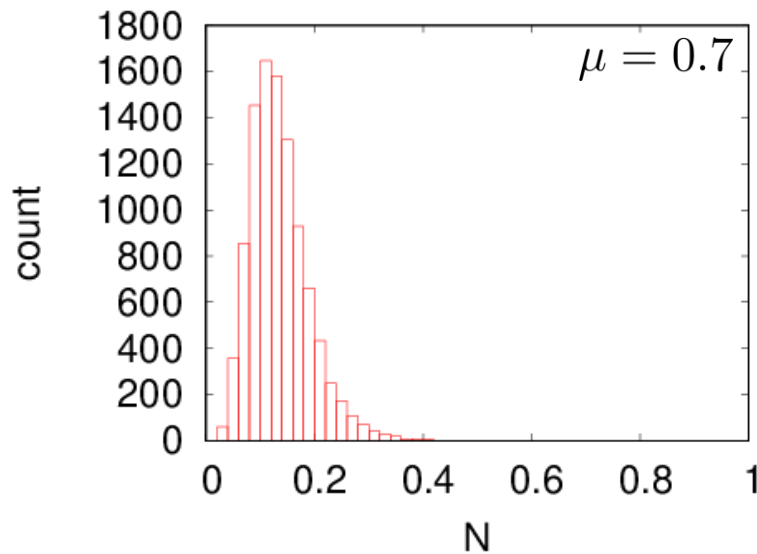
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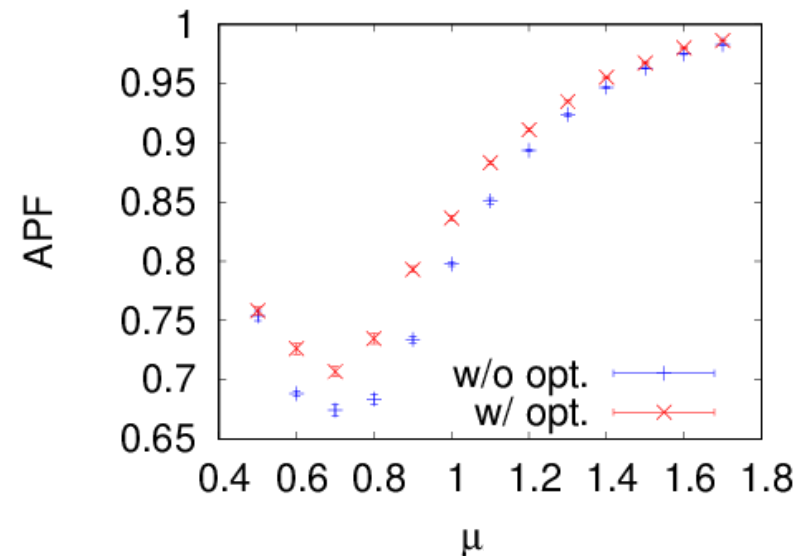
2×2 Lattice,  $N_f = 2, m = 0.1$

Unitary norm after opt.

$$N = \max_{x,\nu} \text{tr}(\mathcal{U}_{\nu,x}^\dagger \mathcal{U}_{\nu,x} - \mathbb{1})^2$$



Average phase factor



Average phase factor can be slightly enhanced by the deformation of manifold.  
...Is there upper bound of APF?

# Summary

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- In the path optimization method, we can regard the sign problem as an optimization problem.
  - Neural Network and optimization methods (SGD) developed in machine learning are helpful.
- We apply this method to 0+1 dim. QCD with and without diagonal gauge fixing.
  - Average phase factor becomes large and exact results are reproduced in observable calculations.
  - Without gauge fixing, eigenvalue distribution agrees with gauge fixed results, and HMC works well.
- In 1+1D QCD, works in progress.