

**Dangerously Irrelevant Fields,
Two Length Scales ,
And Monte Carlo Renormalization
Flows of the Clock Models**

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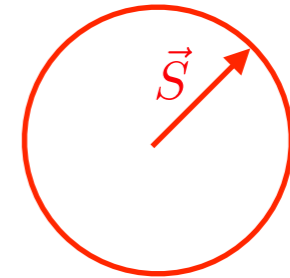
Outline

- **3D classical XY model:**
 - general understanding.
- **3D classical clock model:**
 - dangerously irrelevant field and two length scales;
 - Monte Carlo renormalization flows.
- **2D quantum clock model:**
 - Same critical properties;
 - different $U(1)$ to $Z(q)$ scaling behavior;
 - mapping to 3D classical anisotropic clock model;
- **Conclusions.**

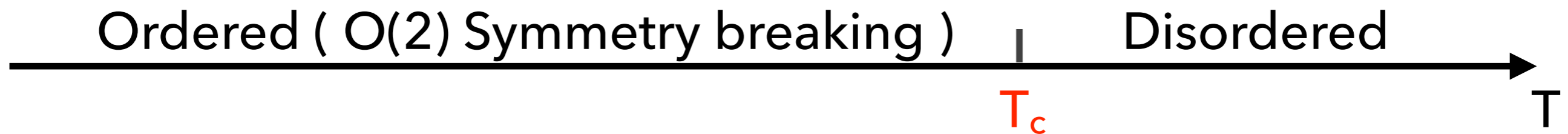
3D classical XY model

- Hamiltonian:

$$H = - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j = - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$



- Phase diagram:



- Low energy effective model:

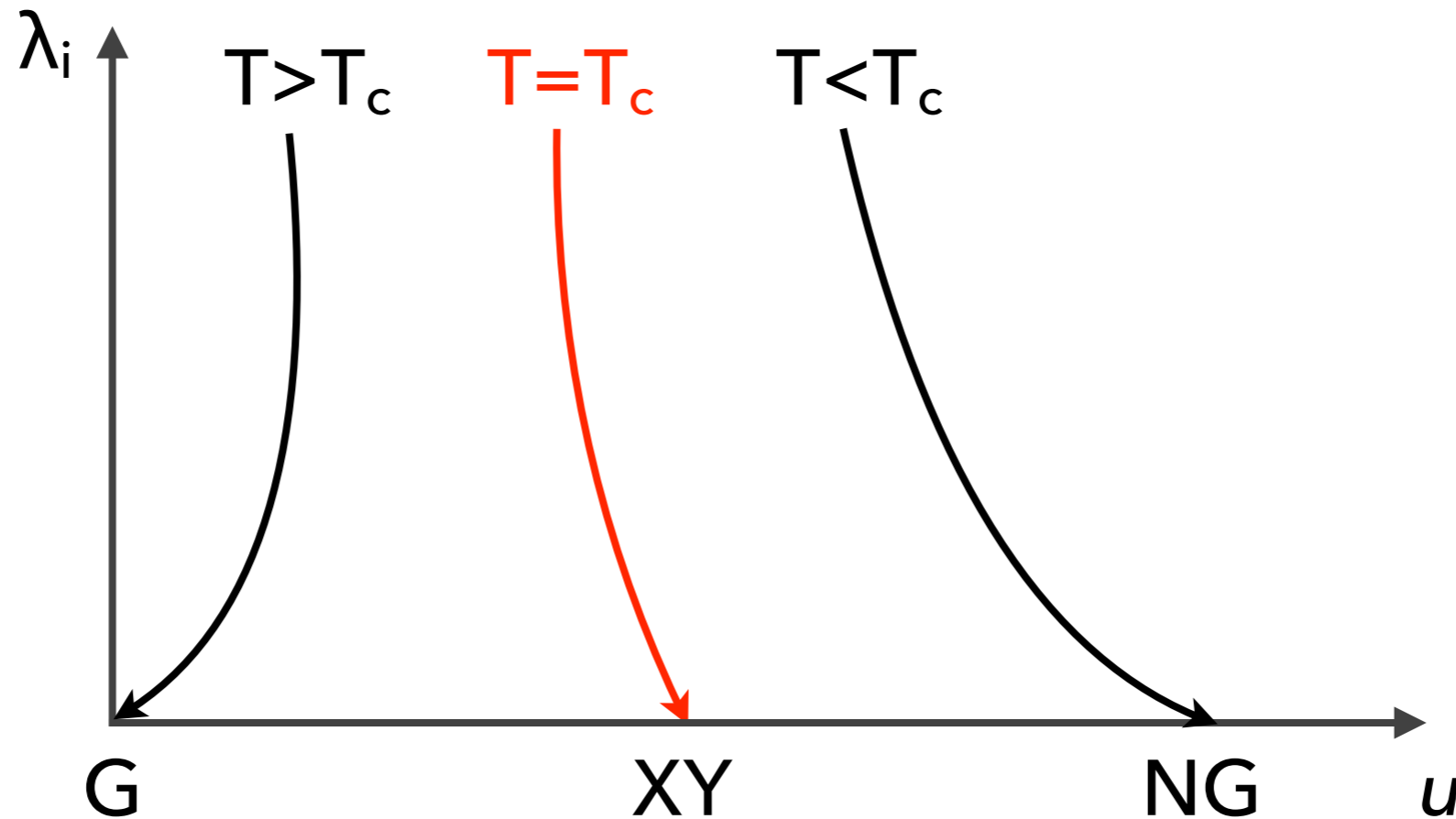
- In the disordered phase, $H(\Phi)/T = \int d^3x \left[|\partial_\mu \Phi|^2 + u|\Phi|^2 \right]$

- Around T_c , $H(\Phi)/T = \int d^3x \left[|\partial_\mu \Phi|^2 + u|\Phi|^2 + g|\Phi|^4 \right]$

- In the ordered phase, $H(\theta)/T = \int d^3x (\partial_\mu \theta)^2 / 2$

3D classical XY model

- RG picture:



Three fixed points:

- $T > T_c$, Gaussian fixed point (G);
- $T = T_c$, XY universality class fixed point (XY);
- $T < T_c$, Nambu-Goldstone fixed point (NG).

3D classical XY model

- Different calculations of the critical exponents:

Method	Reference	ν	η
perturbation series at fixed dimension including seven-loop contributions	J. Phys. A 31, 8103 (1998)	0.6703(15)	0.0354(25)
ϵ -expansion at order ϵ^5	J. Phys. A 31, 8103 (1998)	0.6680(35)	0.0380(50)
first-order non-perturbative RG	Phys. Rept. 363, 223 (2002)	0.704	0.049
Experiments on helium	Low Temp. Phys.93, 131 (1992)	0.6705(6)	
high temperature expansions+MC	PRB 74, 144506 (2006)	0.6717(1)	0.0381(2)
Monte Carlo	PRB 100, 224517 (2019)	0.67169(7)	0.03810(8)
conformal bootstrap	JHEP 06, 142 (2020)	0.67175(1)	0.038176(44)

3D classical XY model

- Monte Carlo Simulations:
 - Corrections exist in simulations of the standard XY model:

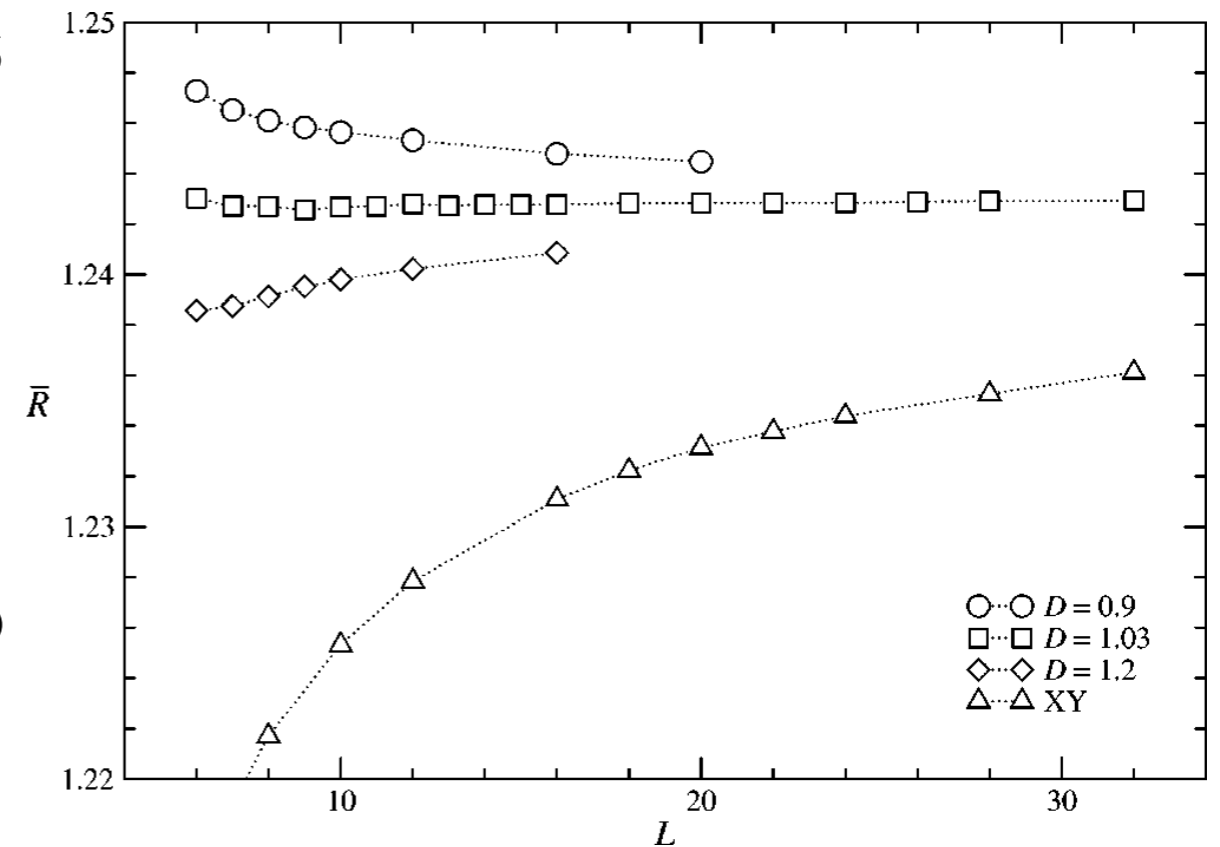
$$R = R \left(\delta L^{1/\nu}, L^{-\omega}, \dots \right)$$

leading order $\omega = 0.785(20)$.

- Adding a term corresponding to the leading correction field:

$$H = -\beta \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j - D \sum_i \vec{S}_i^2$$

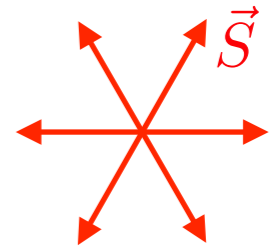
ordered phase and the phase transition not changed;
corrections being eliminated.



3D classical clock model

- Hamiltonian:

$$H = - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) - h \sum_i \cos(q\theta_i)$$



In the $h=0$ or $q = \infty$ limit, back to XY model;

In the $h = \infty$ limit, XY interaction with \vec{S} pointing to q directions.

- Phase diagram For $q \geq 4$:



- the phase transition belongs to 3D XY universality class.

- $Z(q)$ field is irrelevant at the critical point but relevant in the ordered phase – **Dangerously Irrelevant Field.**

3D classical clock model

- Perturbation of the effective model

- At critical point:

$$S = \int d^3x \left[|\partial_\mu \Phi|^2 + u|\Phi|^2 + g|\Phi|^4 - \lambda_q (\Phi^q + \bar{\Phi}^q) \right]$$

Scaling dimension of λ_q based on ϵ -expansion,

$$y_q = 4 - q + \epsilon \left(\frac{q}{2} - 1 - \frac{q(q-1)}{10} \right) + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$y_q < 0$ when $q \geq 4$, λ_q is irrelevant.

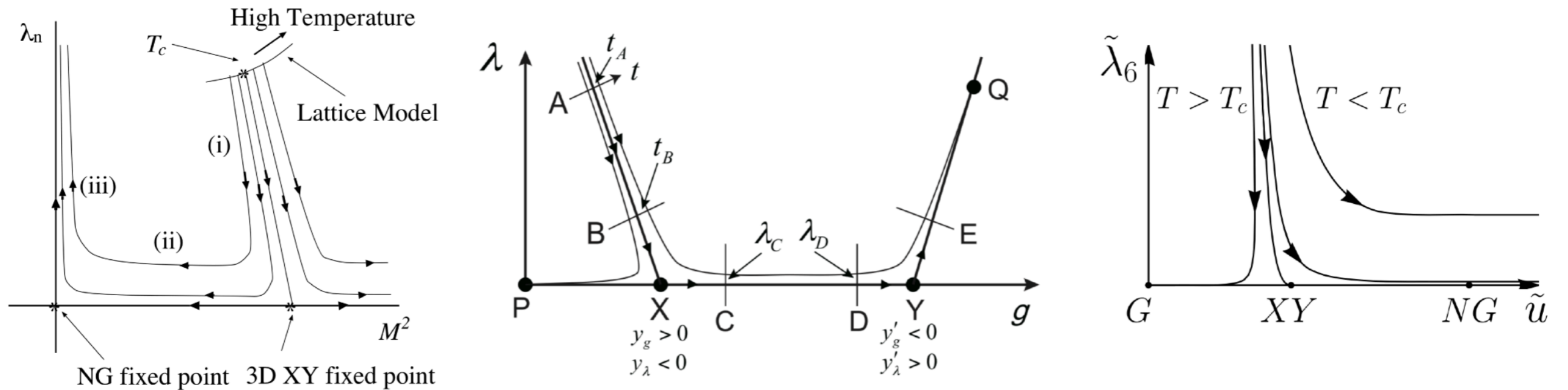
- In the ordered phase:

$$D = \int d^3x \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \theta)^2 - \lambda_q K^3 \int d^3x \cos \left[q \left(\phi_0 + \frac{\theta}{\sqrt{K}} \right) \right]$$

Taylor expansion indicates the relevance of the $Z(q)$ field for any value of q .

3D classical clock model

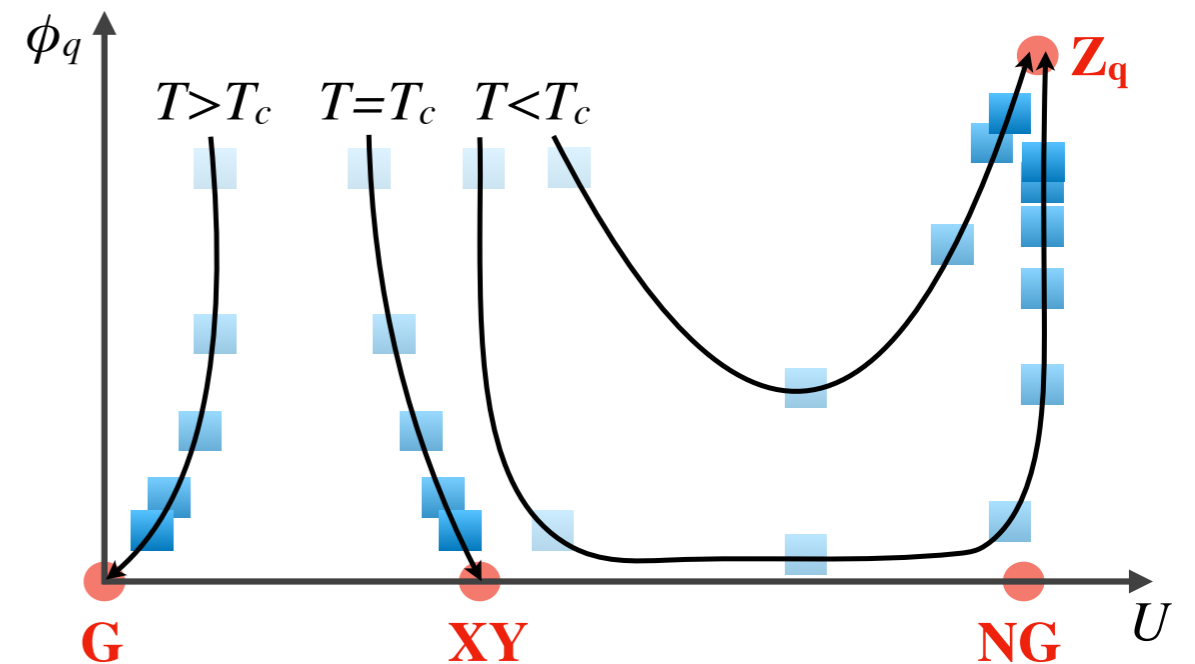
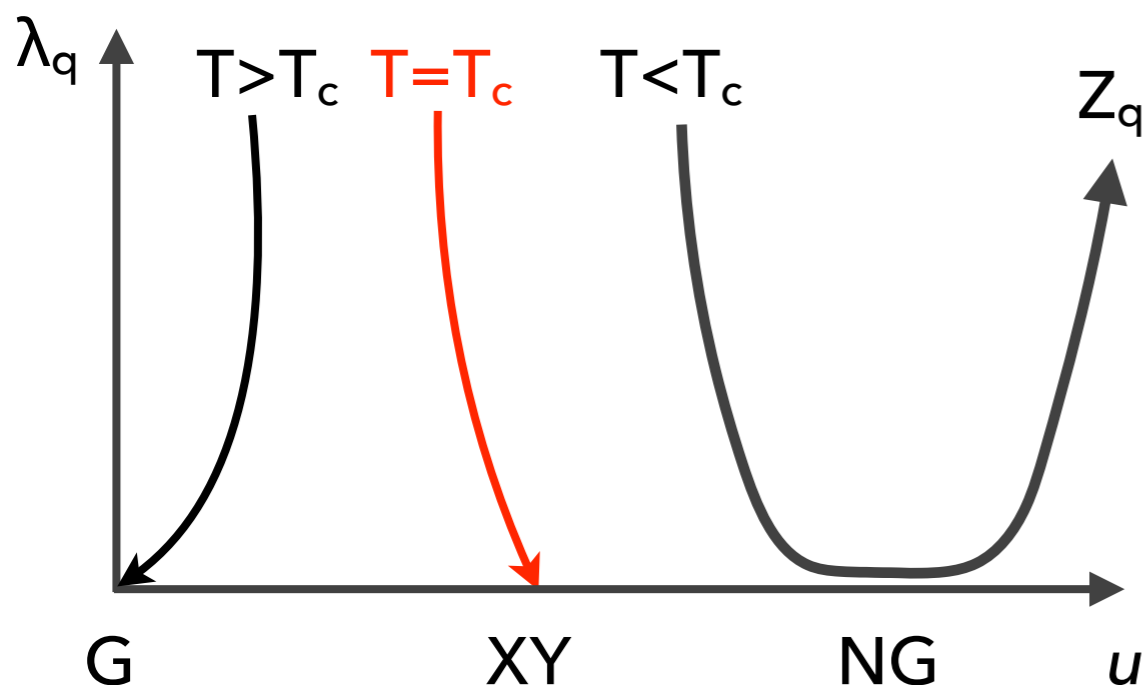
- RG flow



- Crossover from the NG fixed point to the $Z(q)$ symmetry breaking fixed point;
- A larger length scale: $\xi' \sim t^{-\nu'}$, when $\xi \ll L \ll \xi'$, the system looks U(1) ordered;
- Different proposals of the scaling relation with ν, ν', y_q .

3D classical clock model

- Monte Carlo renormalization flows:
 - Works in the space of physical observables corresponding to the given fields . By increasing the system size, observables approach their thermal dynamic values according to the scaling exponents Δ .
 - Finite size scaling can be considered as an example.



3D classical clock model

- Corresponding physical observables:

Temperature

Z(q) field

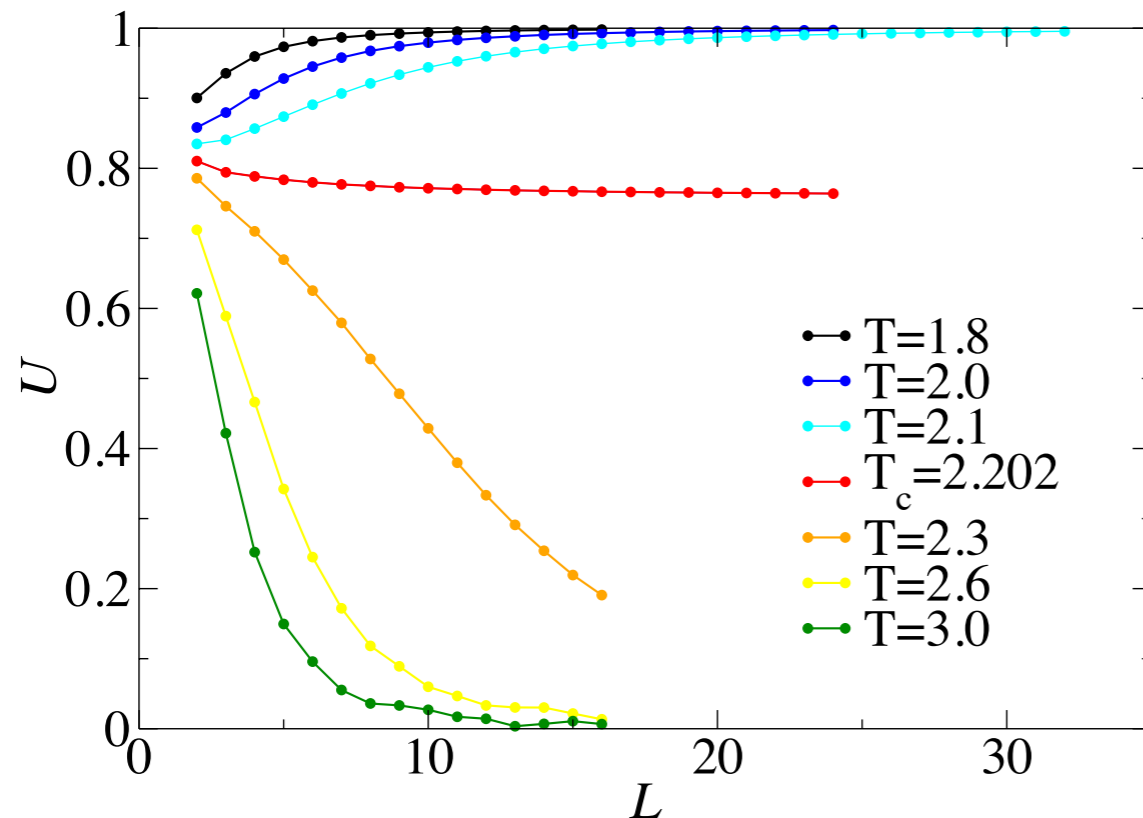
Binder cumulant

Angular order parameter

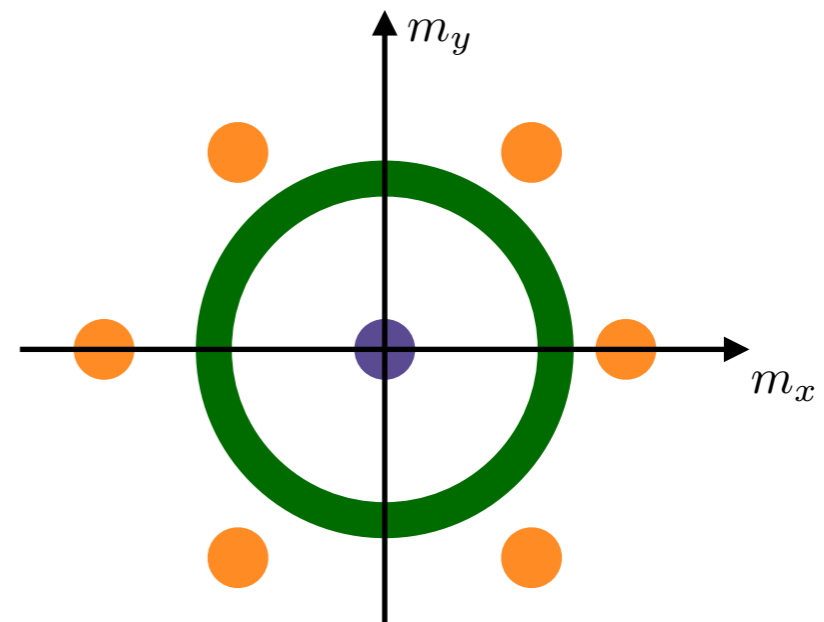
$$U = 2 - \langle m^4 \rangle / \langle m^2 \rangle^2$$

$$\phi_q = \langle \cos(q\theta) \rangle$$

$$\theta = \arccos(m_x / \sqrt{m_x^2 + m_y^2})$$



Space averaged!



3D classical clock model

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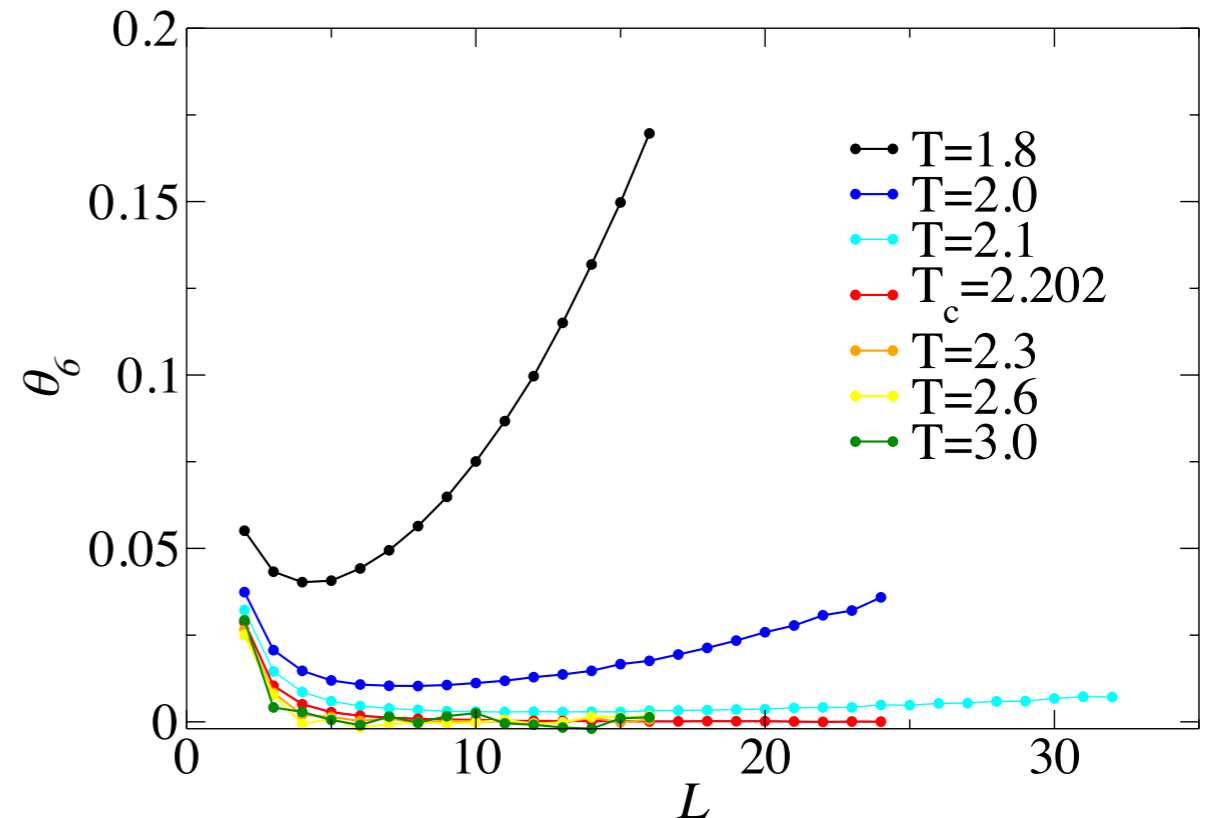
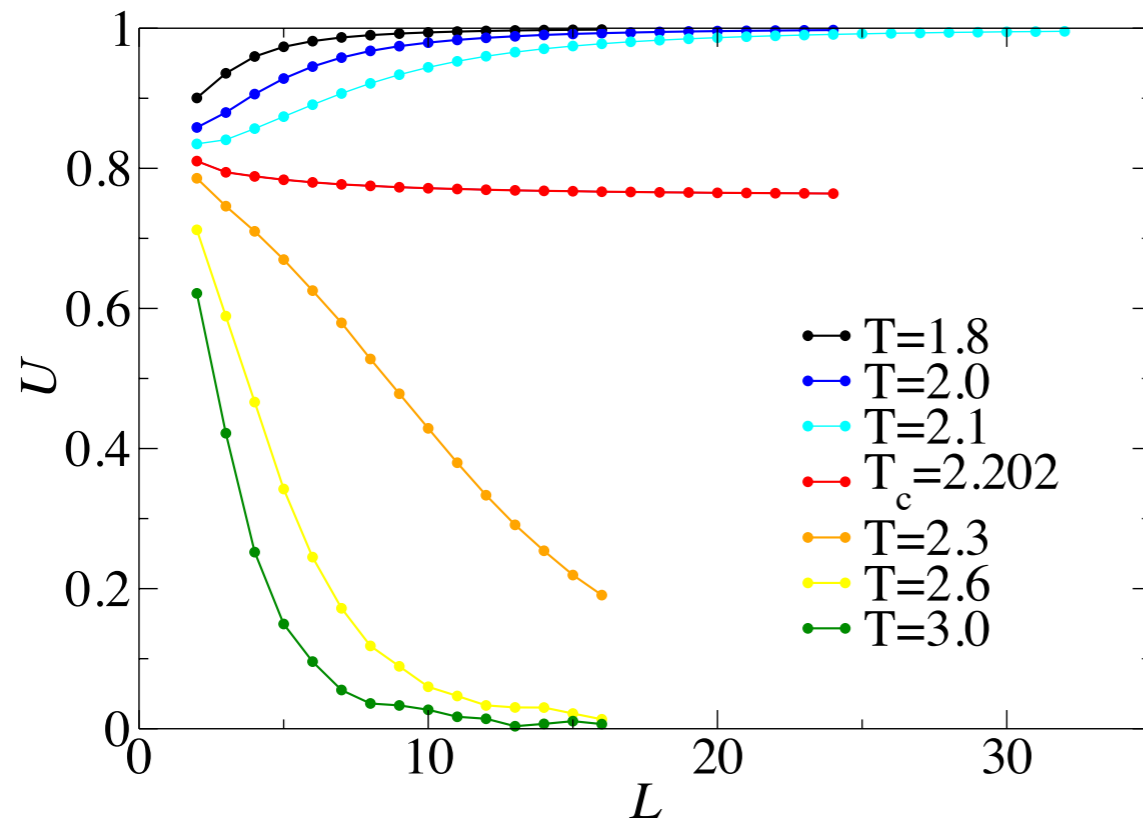
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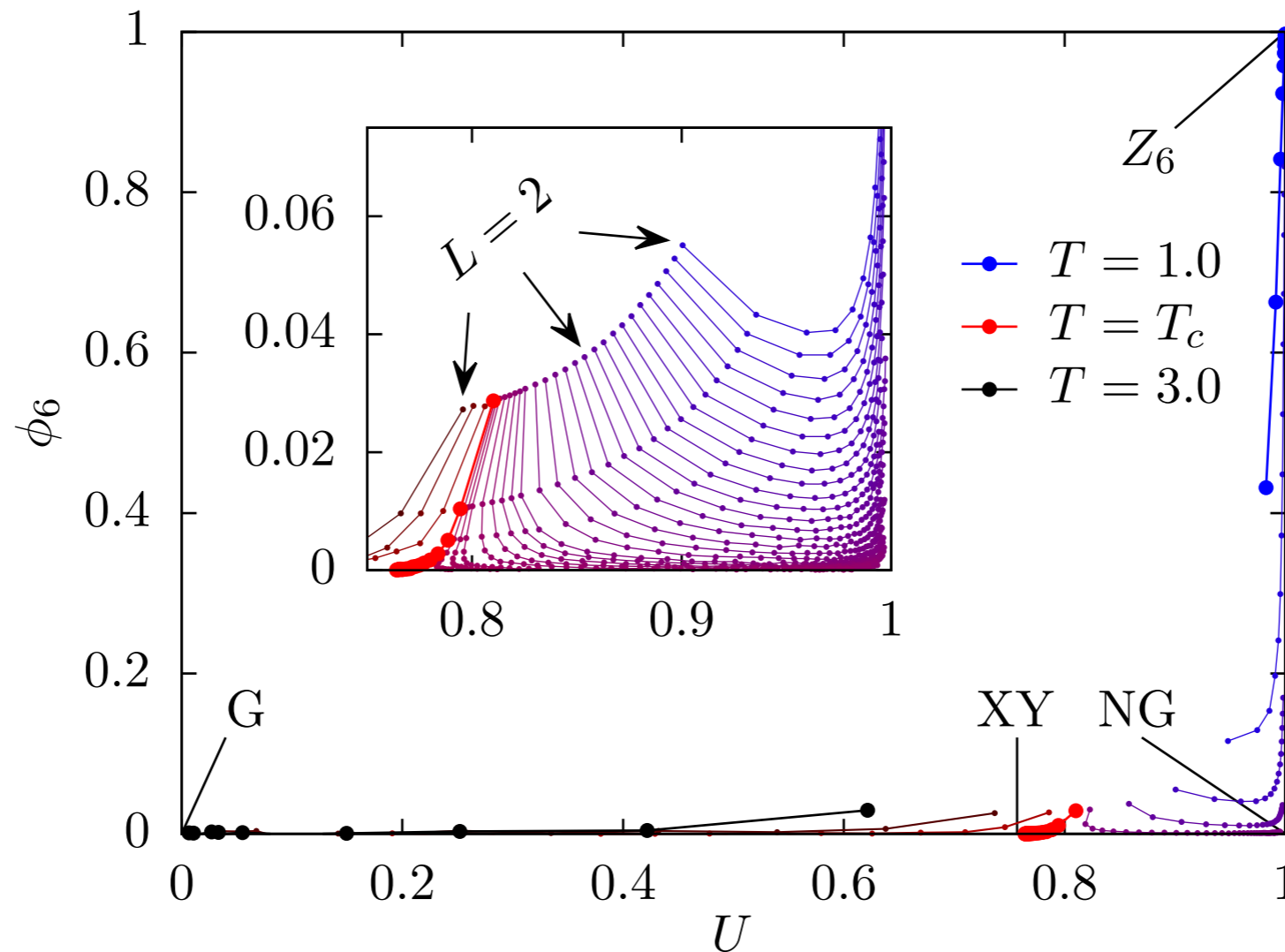
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3D classical clock model

- Flow Picture - clear illustration of all the renormalization stages.



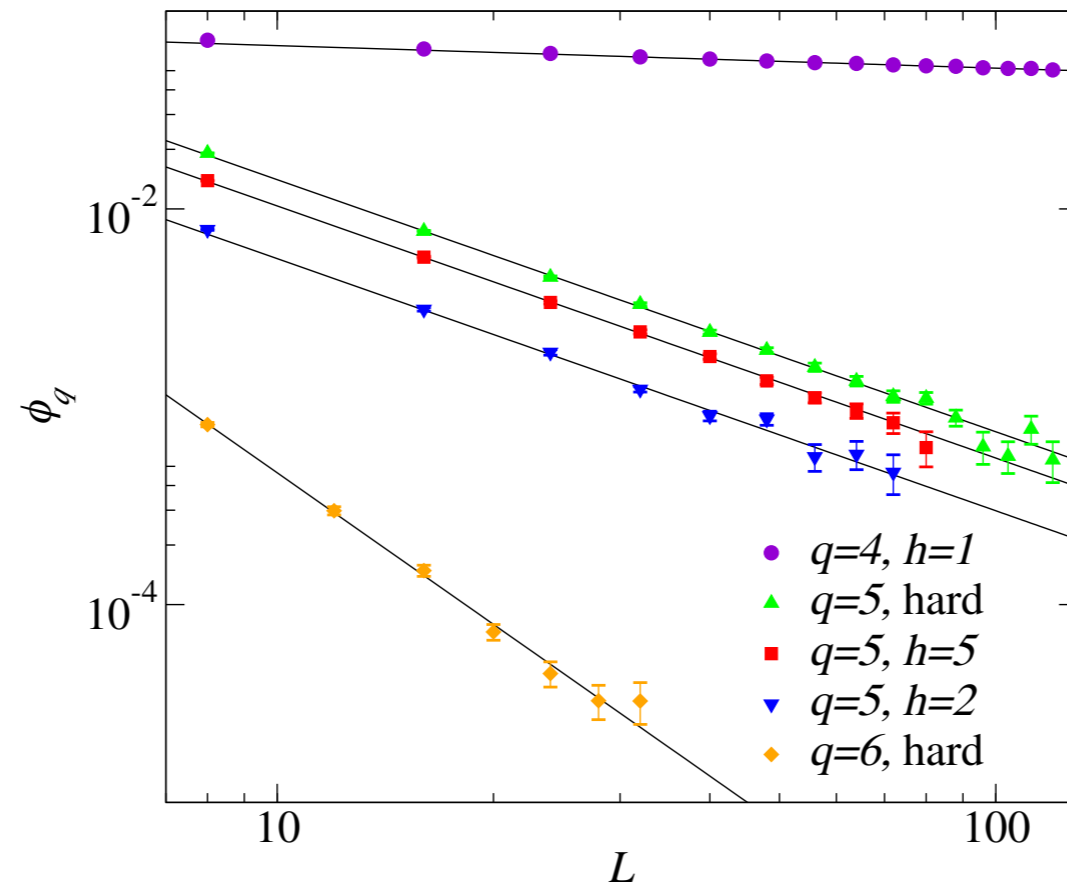
- Valid two length scale hypothesis:

$$\phi_q \sim L^{-|y_q|} \Phi(tL^{1/\nu}, tL^{1/\nu'_q})$$

Shao, Guo and Sandvik, PRL (2020).

3D classical clock model

- Scaling dimension of the $Z(q)$ field at T_c , $\phi_q \sim L^{-\Delta} \sim L^{y_q}$



q	4	5	6
$-y_q$			
ϵ expansion	0.2	1.5	3.0
non-perturbative RG	0.114	1.16	2.29
standard calculation +extrapolation	0.108(6)	1.25	2.5
MC of CFT	0.128(6)	1.265(6)	2.509(7)
This work	0.114(2)	1.27(1)	2.55(6)
Conformal bootstrap	0.14(2)		

Shao , Guo and Sandvik, PRL (2020).

3D classical clock model

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 - standard way: correlation function of the local operator at the transition point of XY model.

Local operator:

$$m(q, r_i) = \cos(q\theta_i)$$

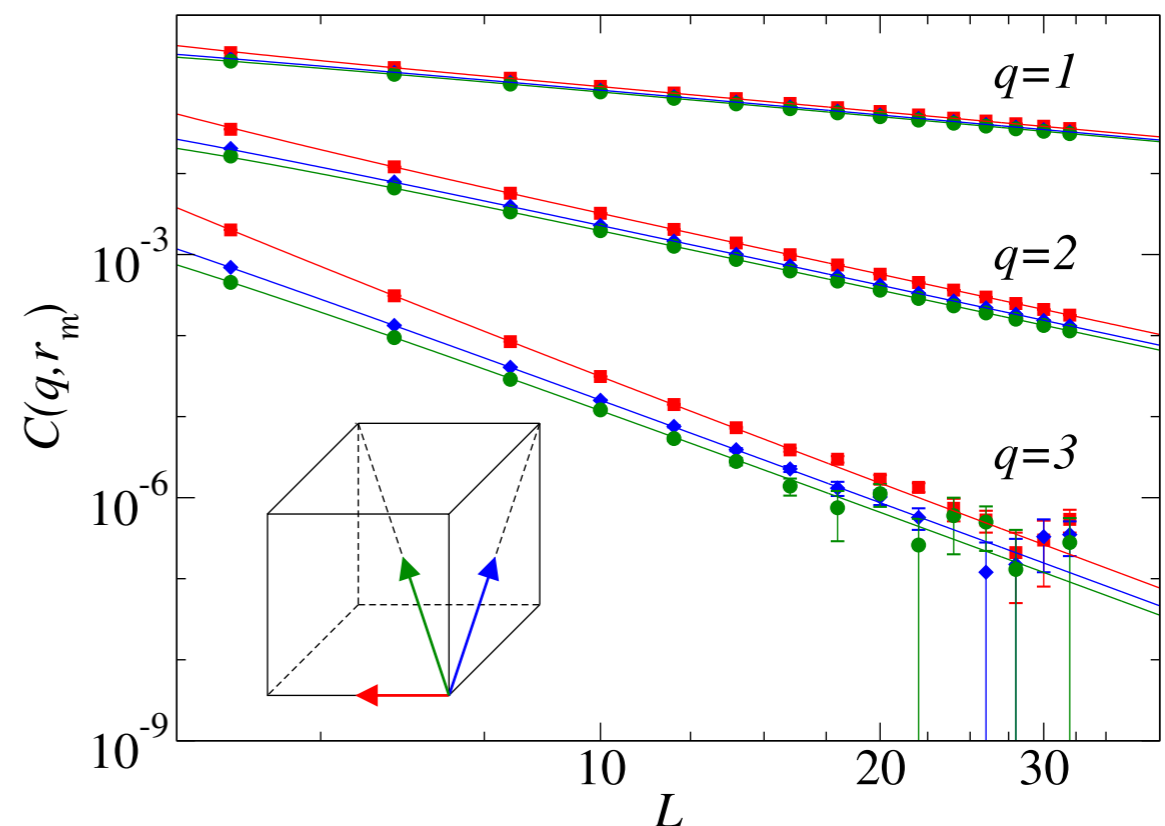
Correlation function:

$$\begin{aligned} C(q, r) &= \langle m(q, r_i) m(q, r_j) \rangle \\ &= \langle \cos(q\theta_i - q\theta_j) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Scaling behavior:

$$C(q, r_m) \sim aL^{-2\Delta_q} (1 + bL^{-\omega})$$

Scaling dimension of the $Z(q)$ field: $y_q = 3 - \Delta_q$



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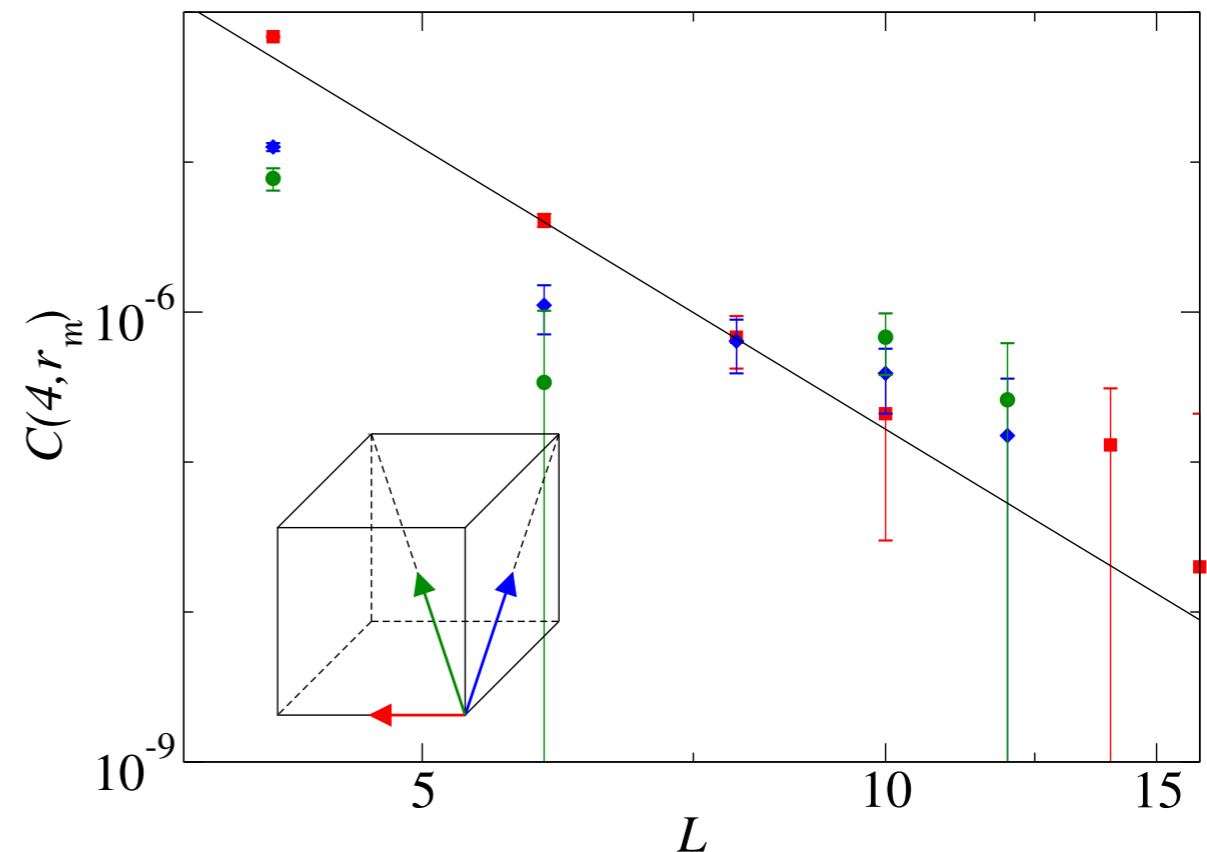
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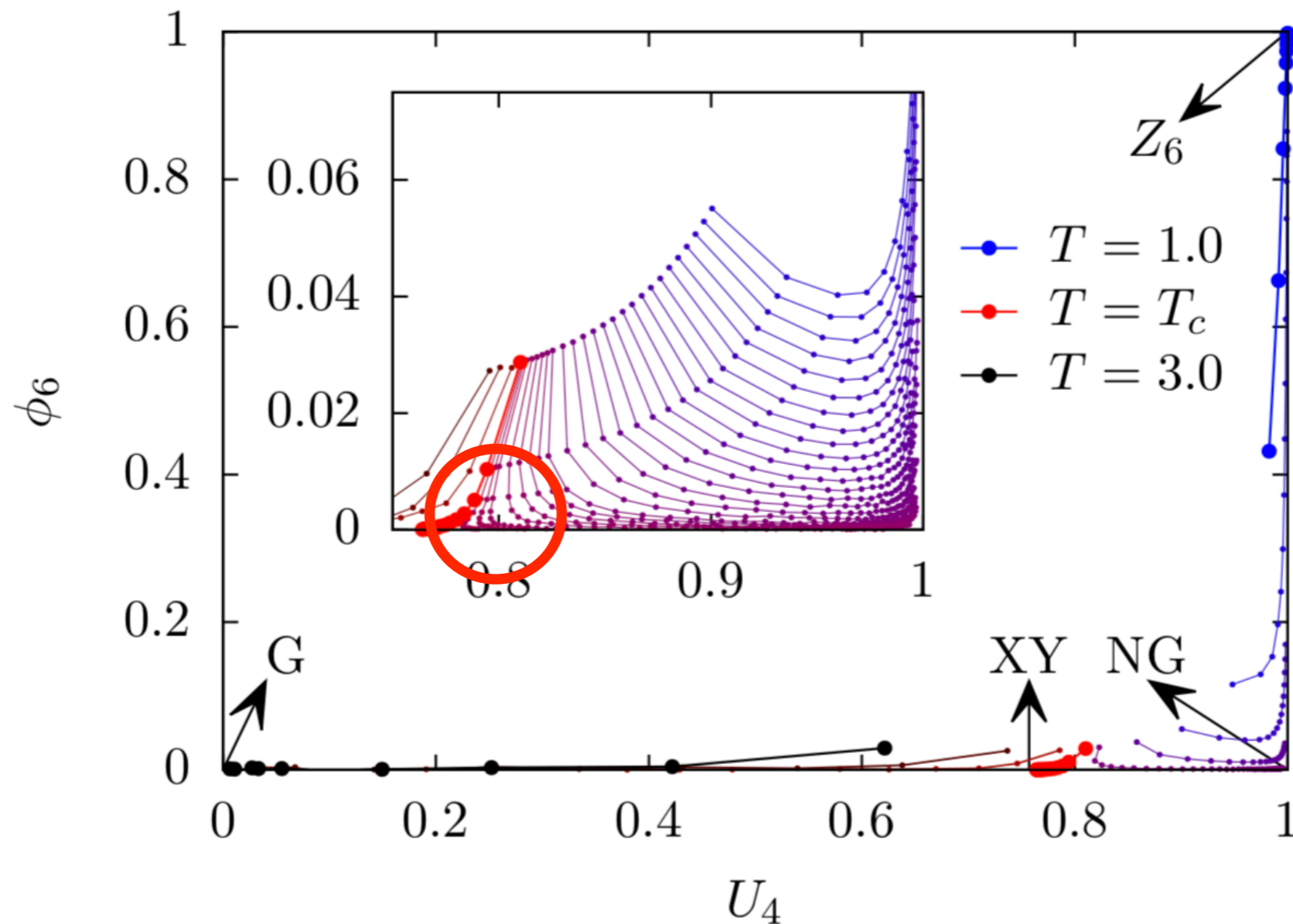
$2\Delta_q > 6$ for irrelevant field, extremely hard to extrapolate.



3D classical clock model

- When $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll tL^{1/\nu} \ll 1$, dominated by the XY fixed point

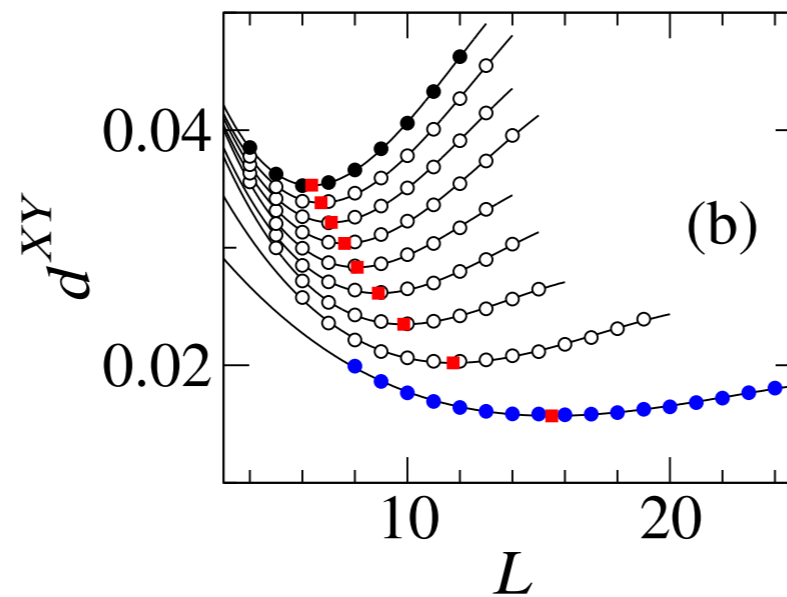
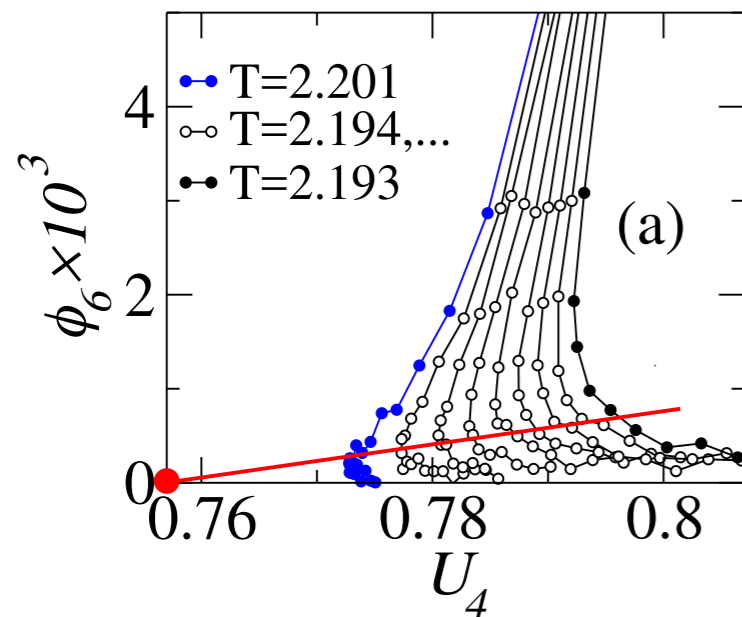
$$\phi_q \propto L^{y_q} (1 + tL^{1/\nu}) \quad U = U(tL^{1/\nu}) = U_{XY} + tL^{1/\nu} + L^{-\omega}$$



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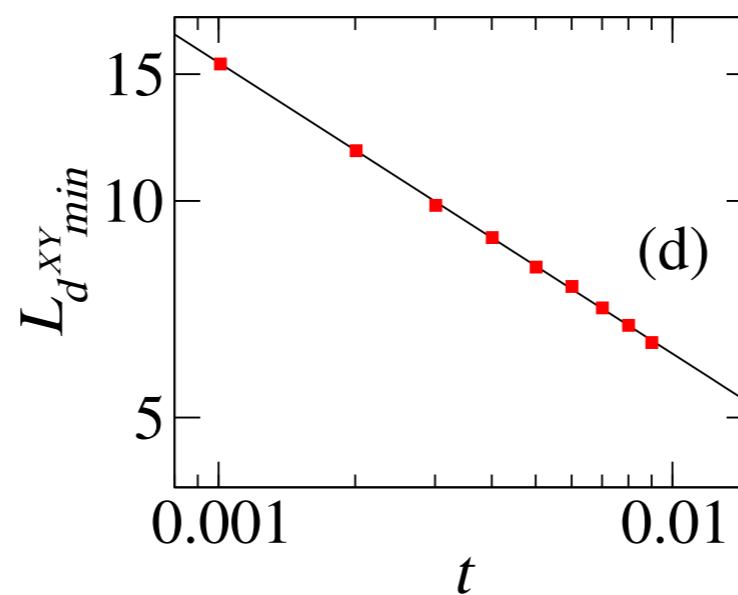
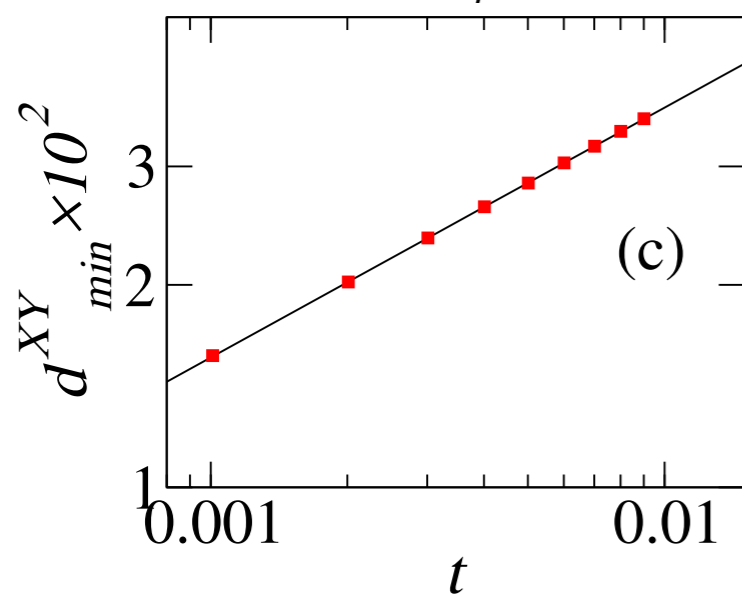
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Distance to the XY fixed point: $d_{XY} \propto \sqrt{(tL^{1/\nu} + L^{-\omega})^2 + L^{2y_q} (1 + tL^{1/\nu})^2}$



$$d_{min}^{XY} \propto t^{\frac{\omega}{1/\nu+\omega}} \propto t^{0.38(2)}$$

$$L_{d_{min}^{XY}} \propto t^{\frac{-1}{1/\nu+\omega}} \propto t^{-0.408(5)}$$



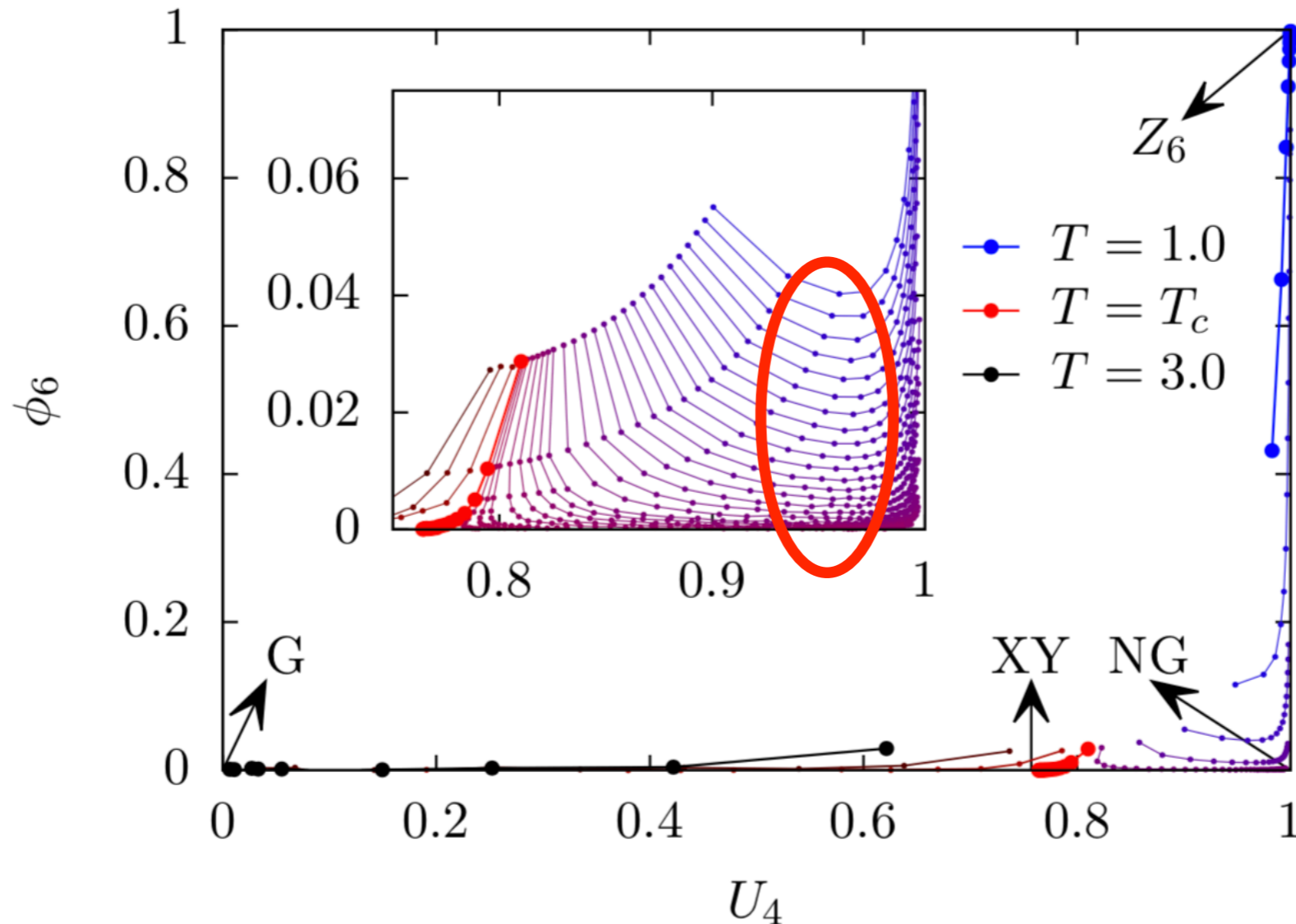
$$d_{min}^{XY} \sim t^{0.372(1)}$$

$$L_{d_{min}^{XY}} \sim t^{-0.404(4)}$$

3D classical clock model

- When $tL^{1/\nu}$ grows and $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll 1$, still dominated by the XY fixed point (in principle higher orders should be included)

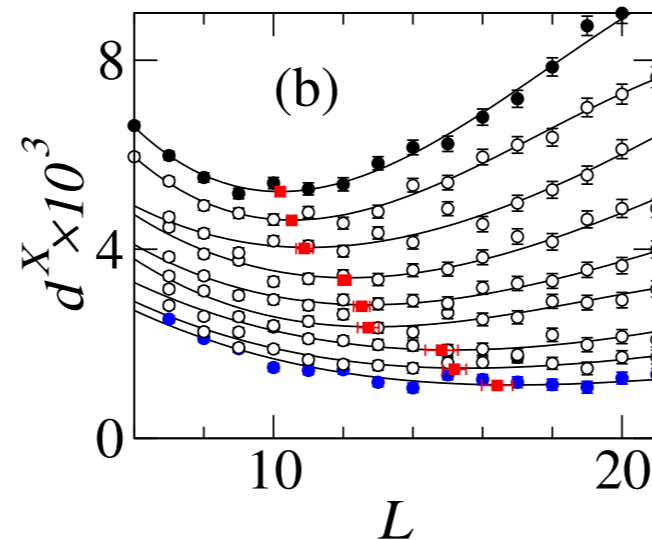
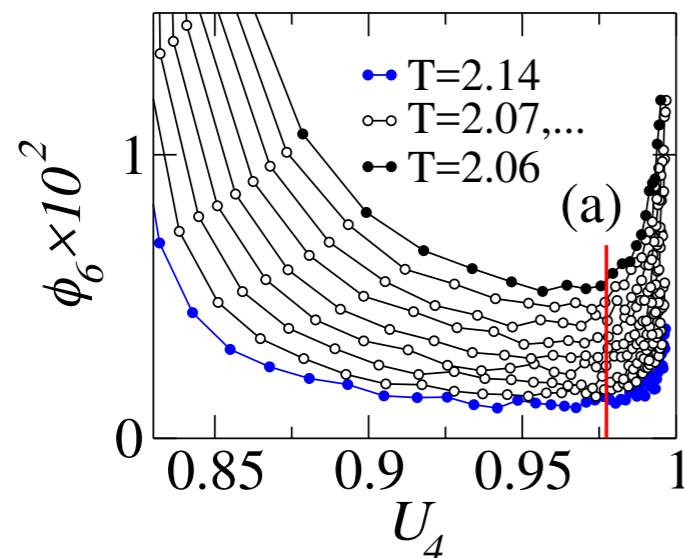
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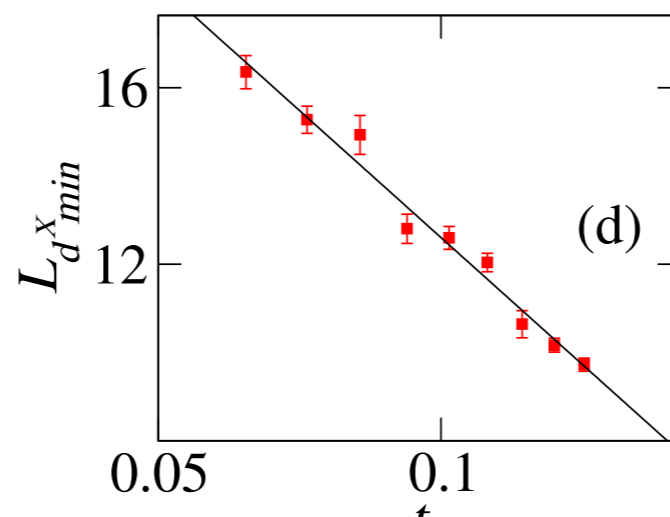
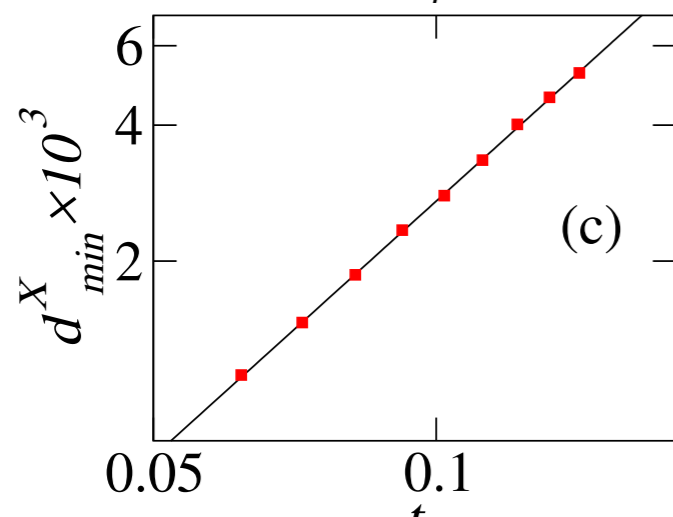
- When $tL^{1/\nu}$ grows and $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll 1$, still dominated by the XY fixed point

Distance to x-axis: $d_X \propto L^{y_q} \left(1 + tL^{1/\nu}\right)$



$$d_{min}^X \propto t^{y_6\nu} \propto t^{1.75(3)}$$

$$L_{d_{min}^X} \propto t^{-\nu} \propto t^{-0.6717(1)}$$



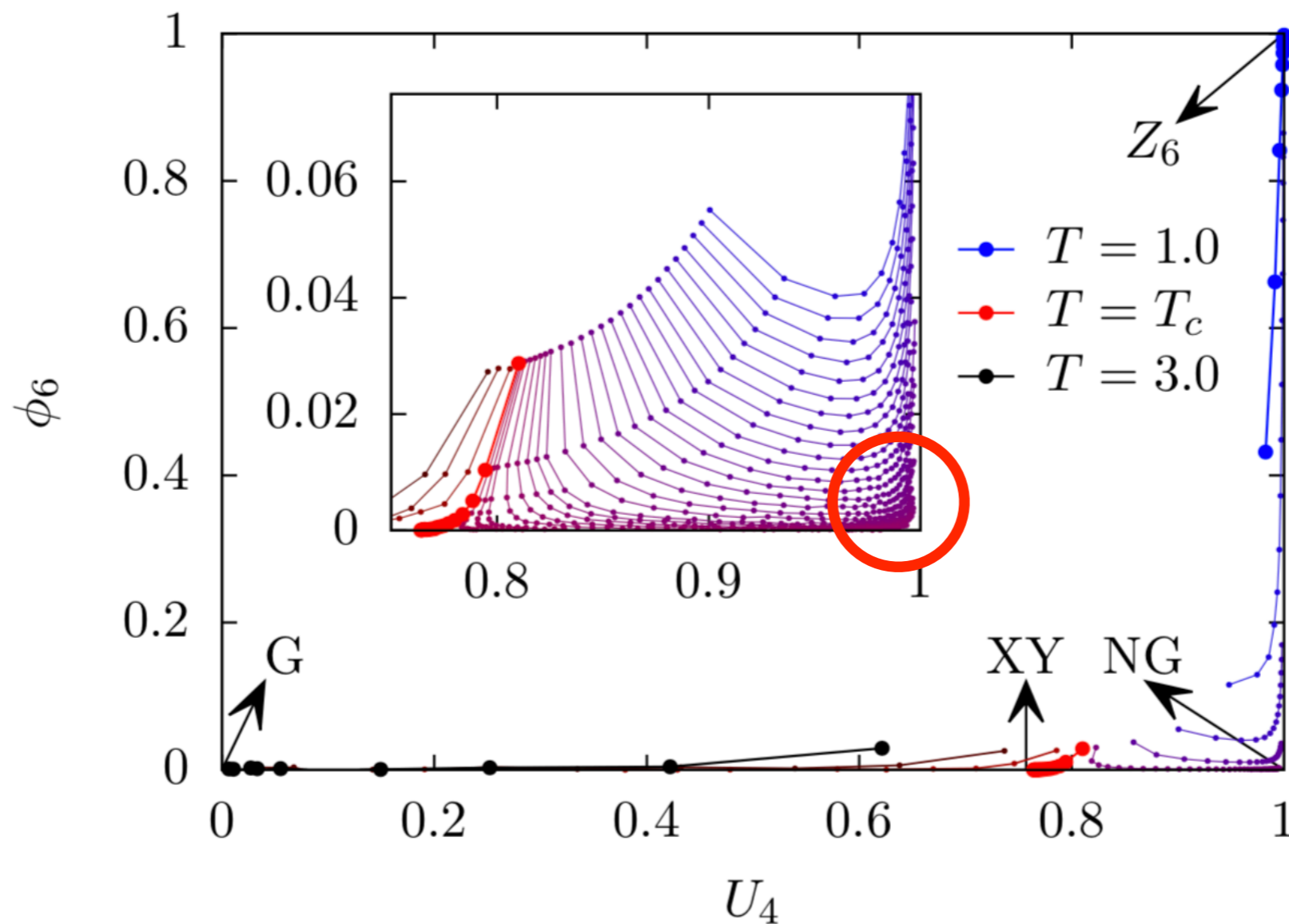
$$d_{min}^X \sim t^{1.88(2)}$$

$$L_{d_{min}^X} \sim t^{-0.60(3)}$$

3D classical clock model

- When $tL^{1/\nu}$ is large enough and $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll 1$, namely $\xi \ll L \ll \xi'$

$$\phi_q \sim L^{-|y_q|} (tL^{1/\nu})^a \quad 1 - U \propto (tL^{1/\nu})^{-r}$$



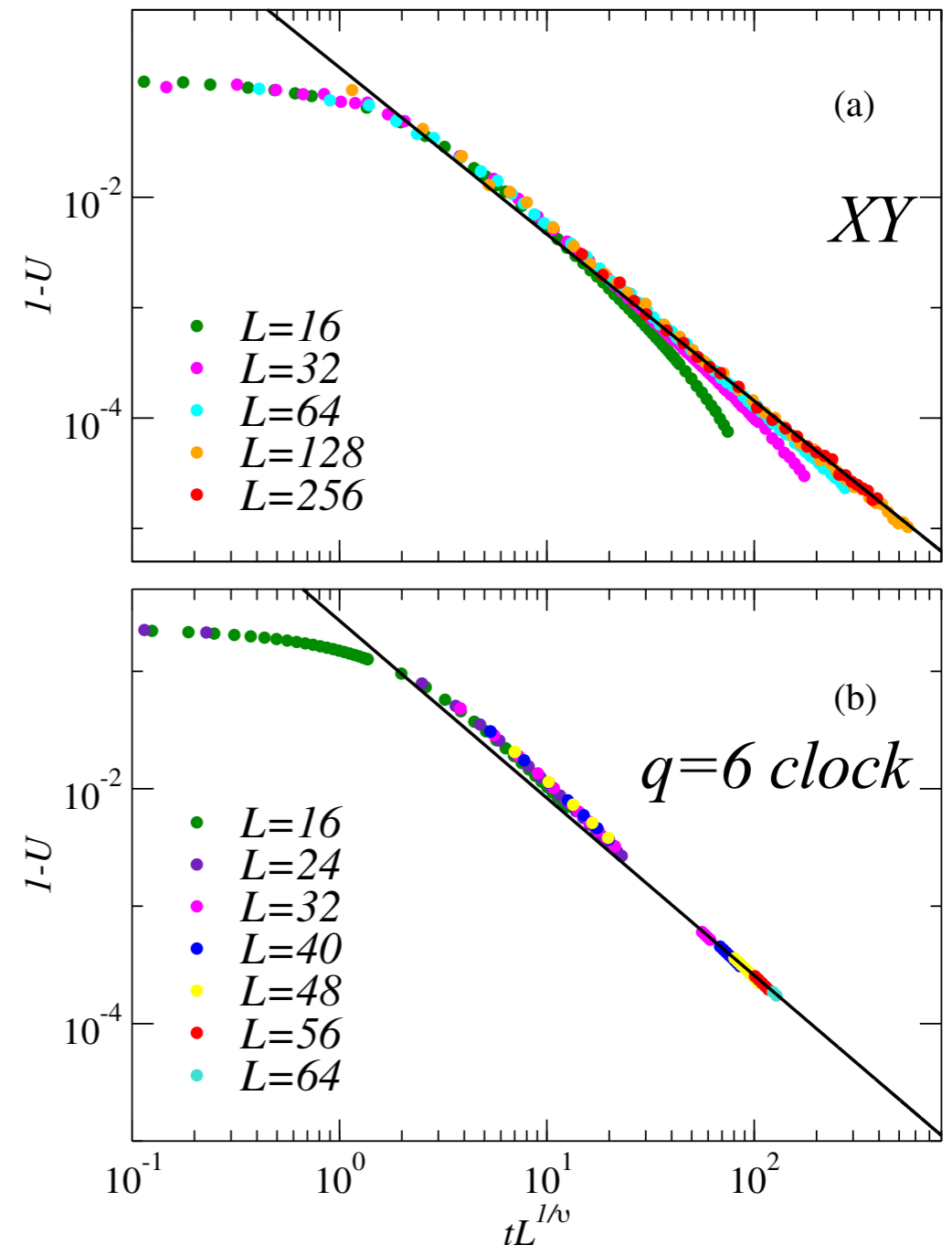
3D classical clock model

- When $tL^{1/\nu}$ is large enough and $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll 1$, namely $\xi \ll L \ll \xi'$
 - Asymptotic form:

$$1 - U \propto (tL^{1/\nu})^{-r}$$

No rigorous study, fit with
MC data finds:

$$r = 1.52(2)$$



Shao, Guo and Sandvik, PRL (2020).

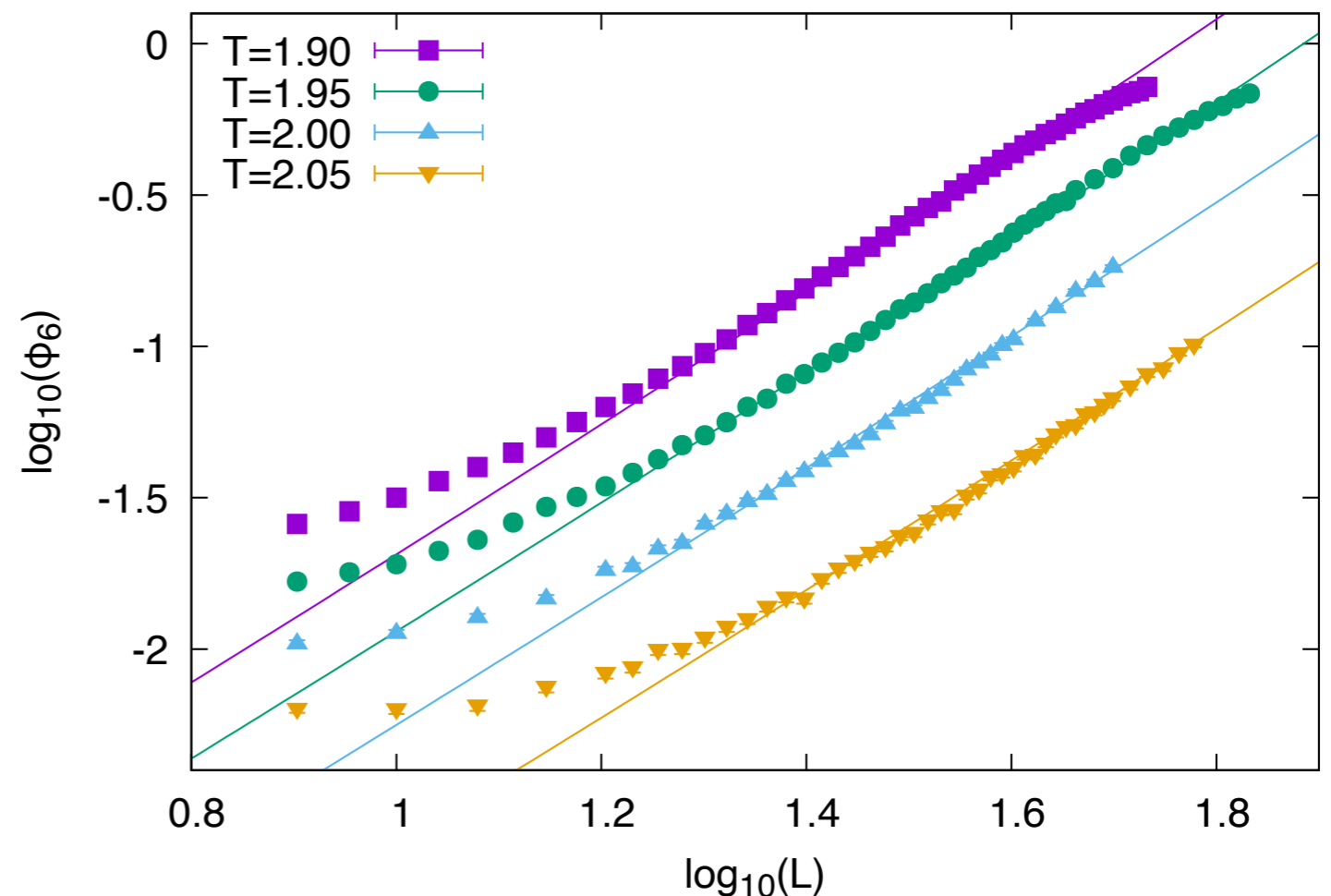
3D classical clock model

- When $tL^{1/\nu}$ is large enough and $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll 1$, namely $\xi \ll L \ll \xi'$
 - Scaling behavior of ϕ_q

Proposals of the size dependent exist: $\phi_q \propto L^p$, based on different arguments, values of p are different (2 or 3).

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_q &\sim L^{-|y_q|} (tL^{1/\nu})^a \\ &\sim L^p t^{\nu(p+|y_q|)} \end{aligned}$$

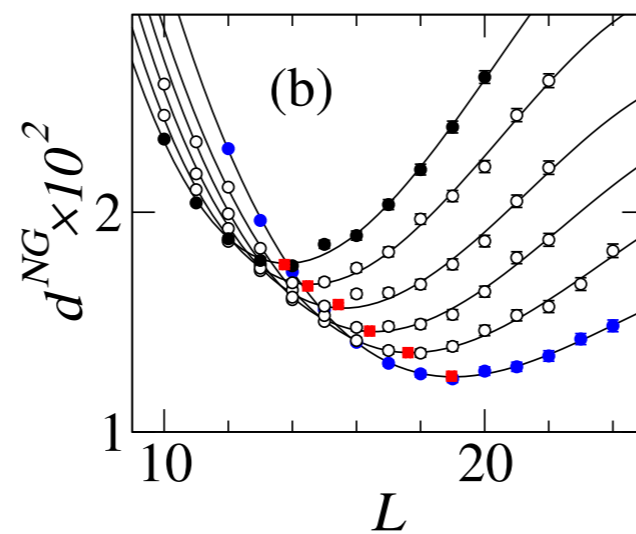
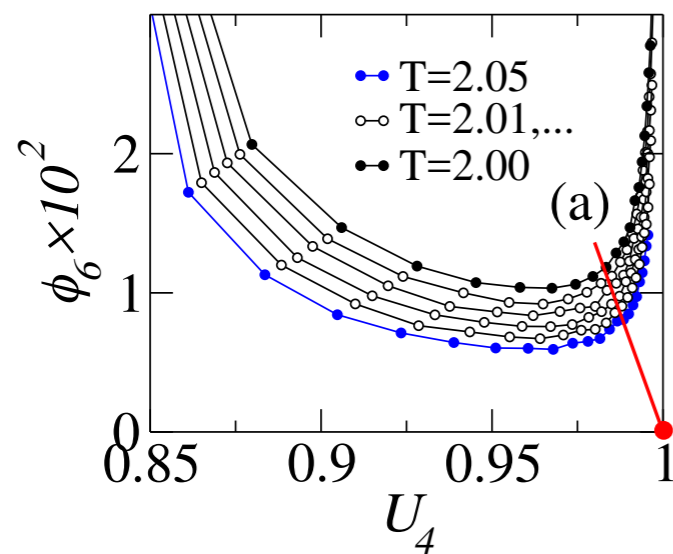
Fit with MC data show:
 1) good agreement of the scaling form;
 2) $p=2$.



3D classical clock model

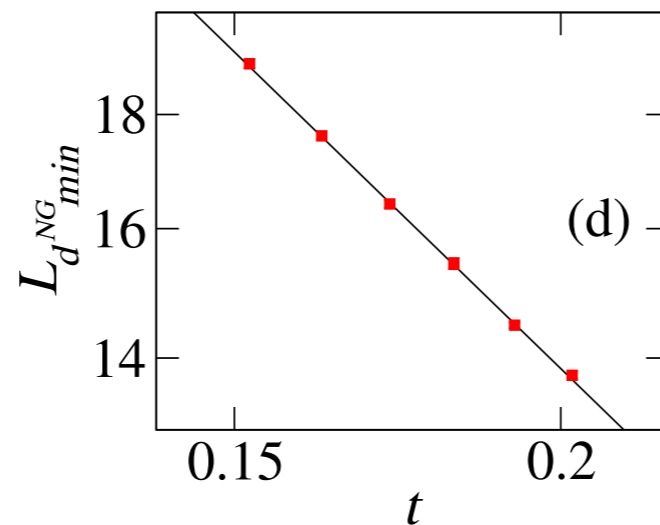
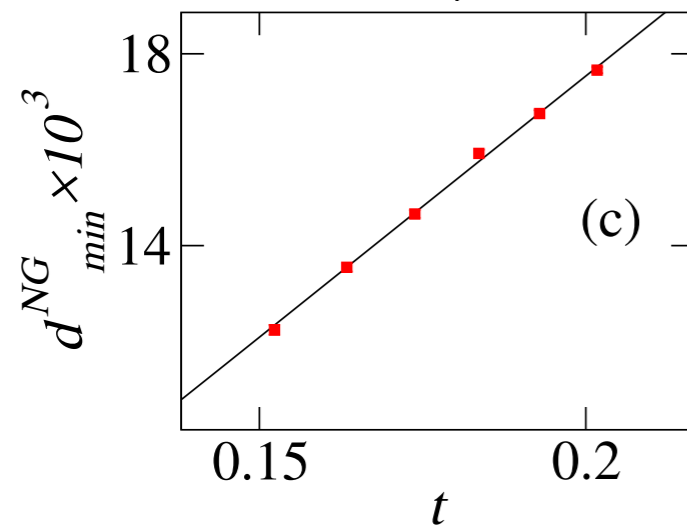
- When $tL^{1/\nu}$ is large enough and $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \ll 1$, namely $\xi \ll L \ll \xi'$
 - Distance to the NG fixed point

$$d_{NG} = \sqrt{L^{-2r/\nu} t^{-2r} + L^{2p} t^{2\nu(p-y_q)}}$$



$$d_{min}^{NG} \propto f(t) \propto t^{0.9(1)}$$

$$L_{d_{min}^{NG}} \propto t^{-\nu(1-\frac{y_q}{r+2\nu})} \propto t^{-1.07(3)}$$



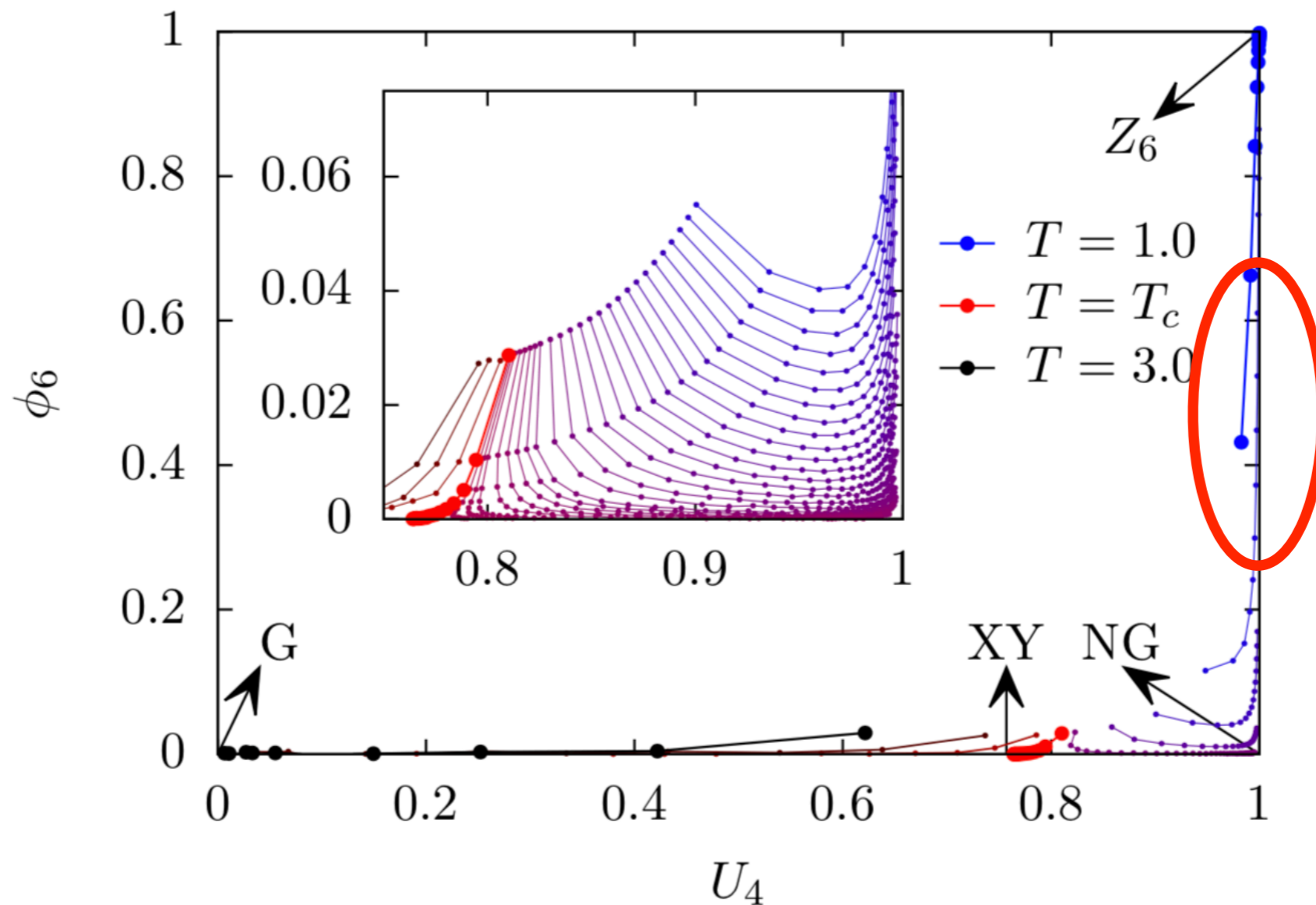
$$d_{min}^{NG} \sim t^{1.19(3)}$$

$$L_{d_{min}^{NG}} \sim t^{-1.14(2)}$$

3D classical clock model

- When tL^{1/ν'_q} starts to grow,

$$\phi_q \sim L^p t^{\nu(p+|y_q|)} g\left(tL^{1/\nu'_q}\right) \sim L^p t^{\nu(p+|y_q|)} \left(1 + tL^{1/\nu'_q}\right) \sim \phi_q(0) + tL^{1/\nu'_q}$$

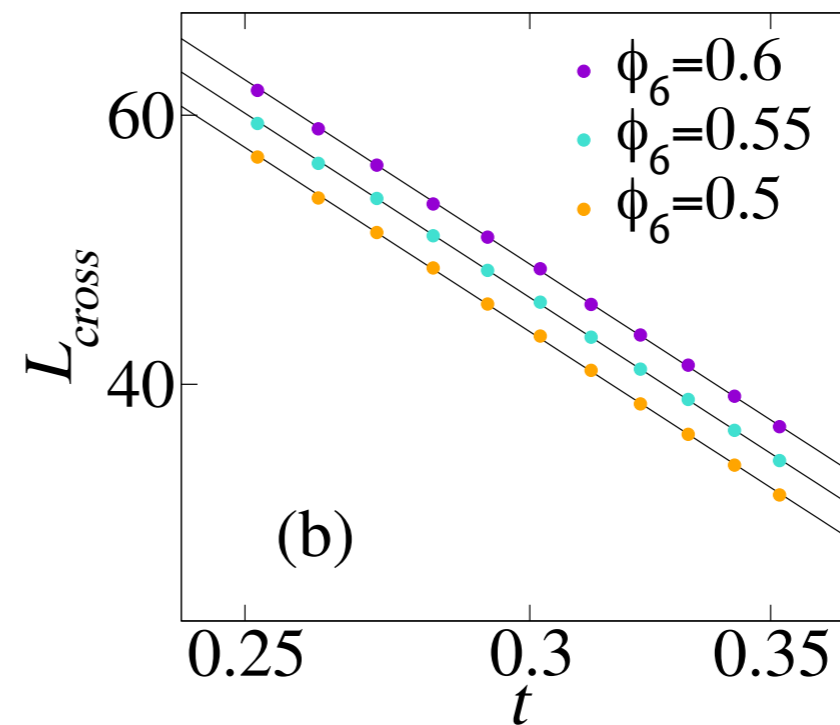
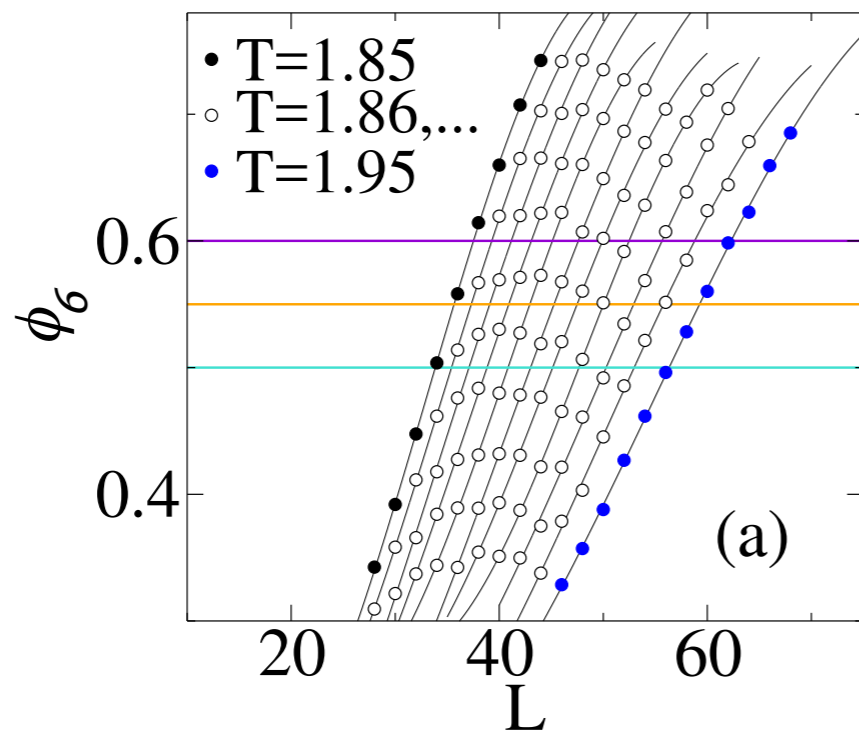


3D classical clock model

- When tL^{1/ν'_q} starts to grow

For a given $\phi_q(\text{cross})$ not close to 1, $\phi_q(\text{cross}) - \phi_q(0) \propto tL^{1/\nu'_q} \propto \text{const.}$

$$L_{\text{cross}} \propto t^{-\nu'_q}$$

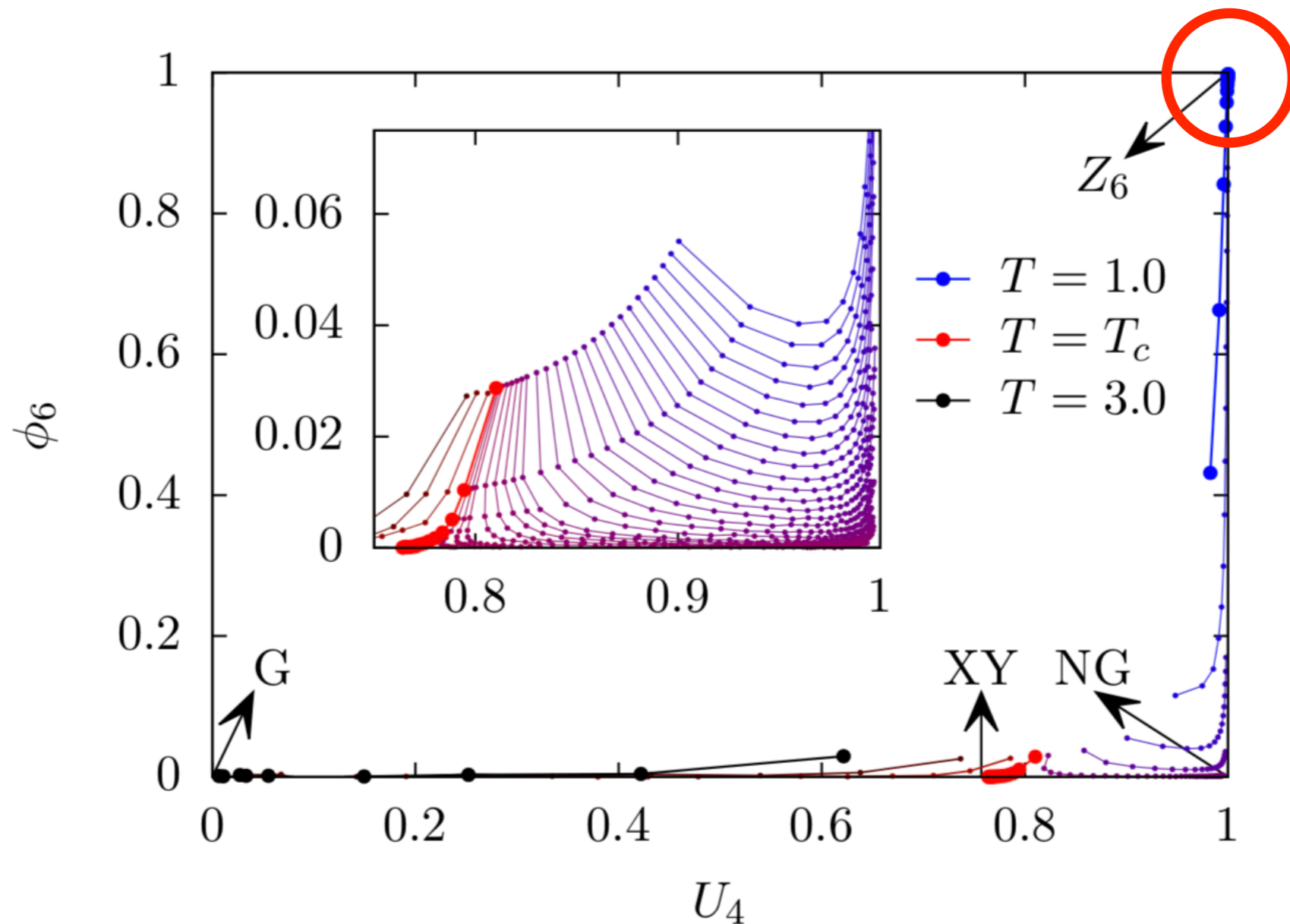


$$L_{\text{cross}} \sim t^{-1.52(1)}$$

3D classical clock model

- When $tL^{1/\nu'_q} \gg 1$, i.e., $\phi_q \rightarrow 1$

$$\phi_q \sim L^p t^{\nu(p+|y_q|)} g\left(tL^{1/\nu'_q}\right) \sim L^p t^{\nu(p+|y_q|)} \left(tL^{1/\nu'_q}\right)^b$$



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- Powers of L and t both 0, leading to a scaling law:

$$\nu' = \nu \left(1 + \frac{|y_q|}{p}\right)$$

Also proposed in several theoretical studies.

- Values of the exponents agree with the scaling law.

$$\nu = 0.67175(1), \quad \nu' = 1.52(4), \quad y_q = 2.55(6), \quad p = 2$$

*Shao, Guo and Sandvik, PRL (2020).
Chubukov, et. al., PRB (1994). Okubo et. al., PRB (2015). Lonard et. At., PRL (2015).*

2D quantum clock model

- Hamiltonian:

$$H = -s \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) - (1 - s) \sum_{i=1}^N Q_i$$

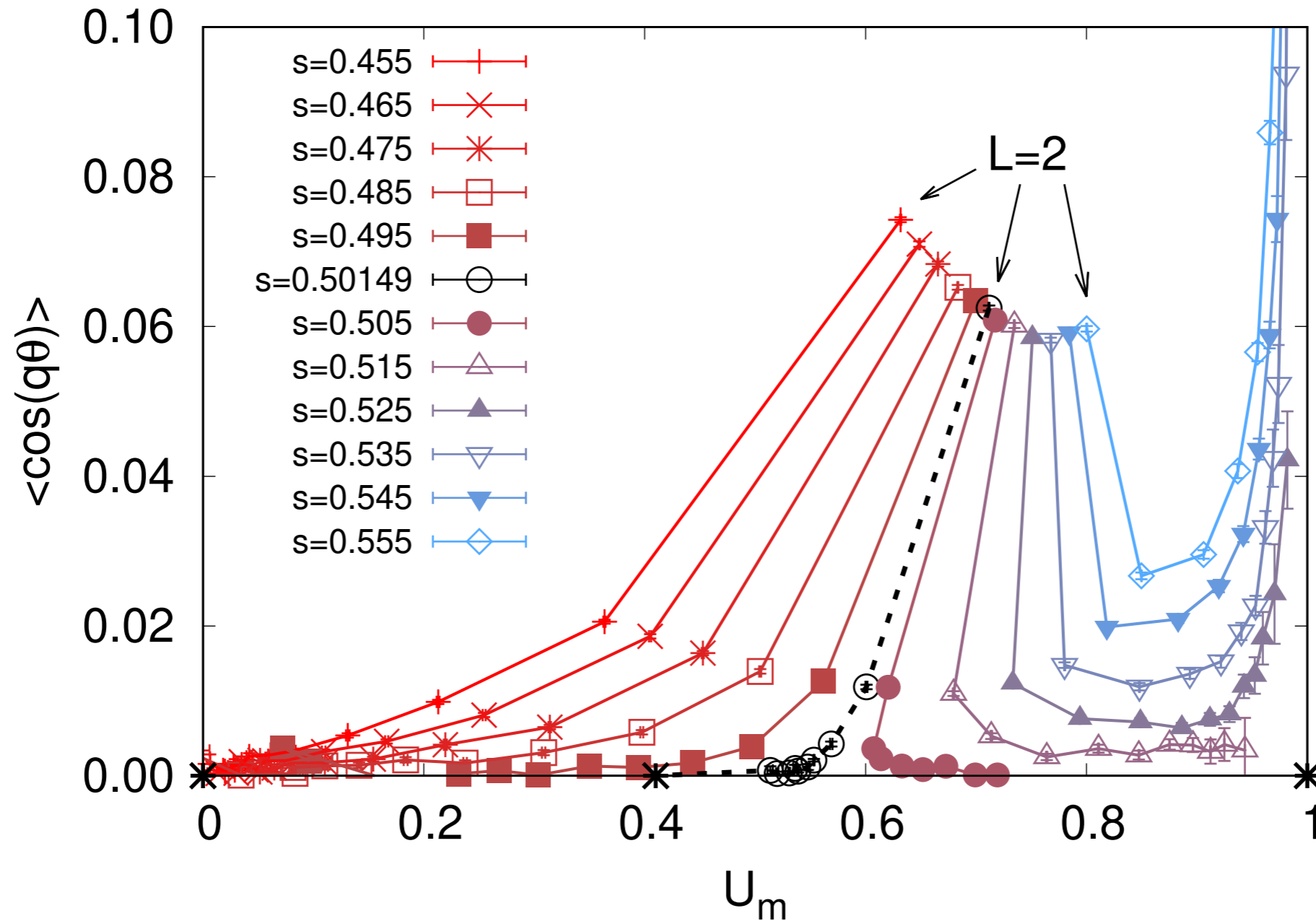
Choices of Q :

Model	$\langle \theta_i Q_i \theta_{i'} \rangle$	Constraint	Property
1	$\cos(\theta_i - \theta_{i'}) + 1$	$\theta_i - \theta_{i'} = 2\pi/q$	most clock-like
2	$\cos(\theta_i - \theta_{i'}) + 1$	No	also clock-like
3	$1/q$	No	Potts-like

- All models found to have the 3D XY phase transition by SSE with cluster algorithm (See more details in app. B&C).

2D quantum clock model

- MC RG flow (Model 2, $q=6$)



2D quantum clock model

- Scaling dimensions of the $Z(q)$ fields at S_c

Scaling with corrections:

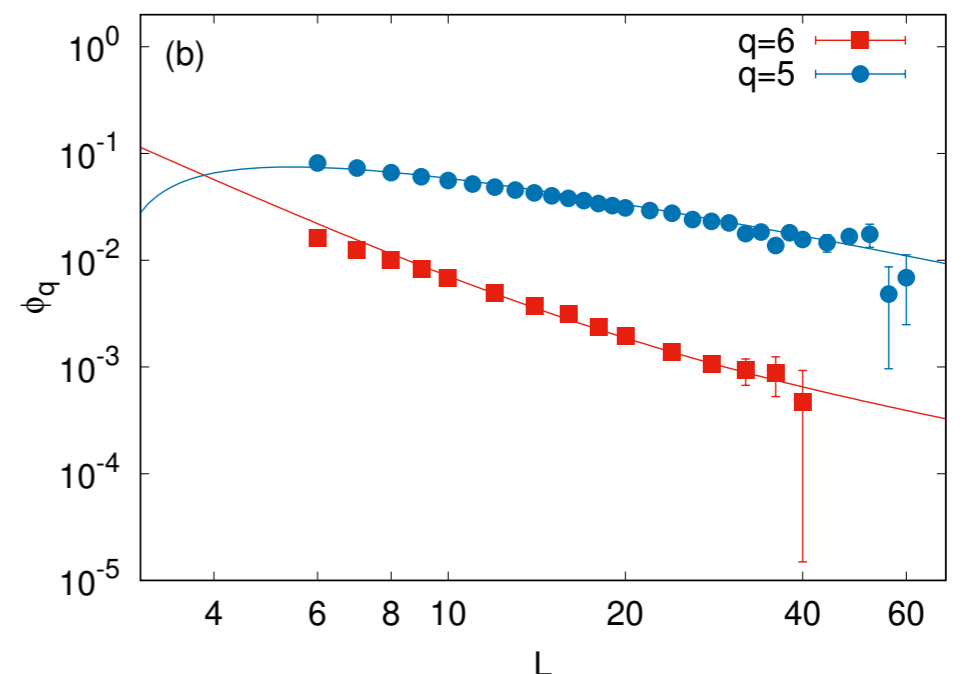
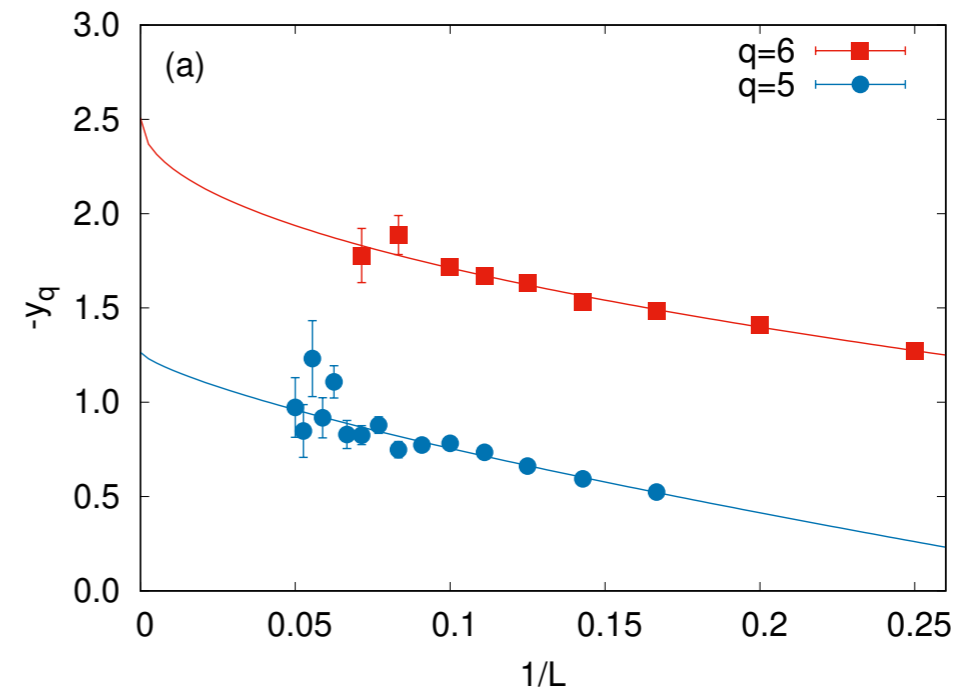
$$\phi_q = aL^{-|y_q|} + bL^{-c}$$

Flowing $(L, 2L)$ extrapolation:

$$-y_q(L) = \frac{1}{\ln(2)} \ln \left(\frac{\phi_q(L)}{\phi_q(2L)} \right)$$

$$-y_q(L) = |y_q| + eL^{-k}$$

Agrees with the known values.



2D quantum clock model

- When $\xi \ll L \ll \xi'$, relevant scaling behavior $\phi_q \sim L^p t^\nu (p + |y_q|)$

- Different ϕ_q defined on:
(averaged over rest direction(s))

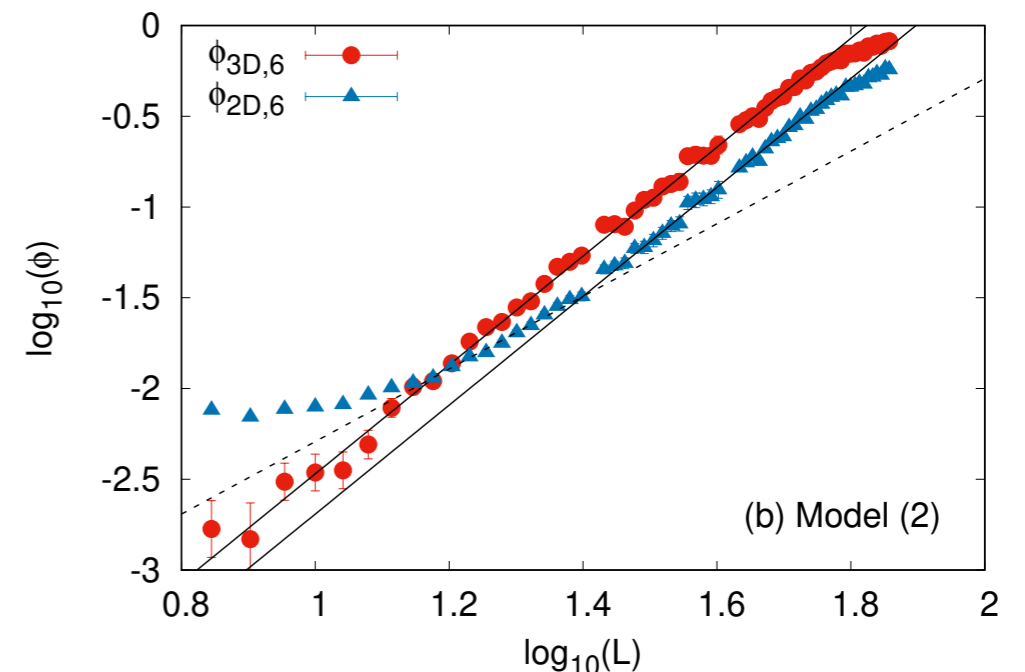
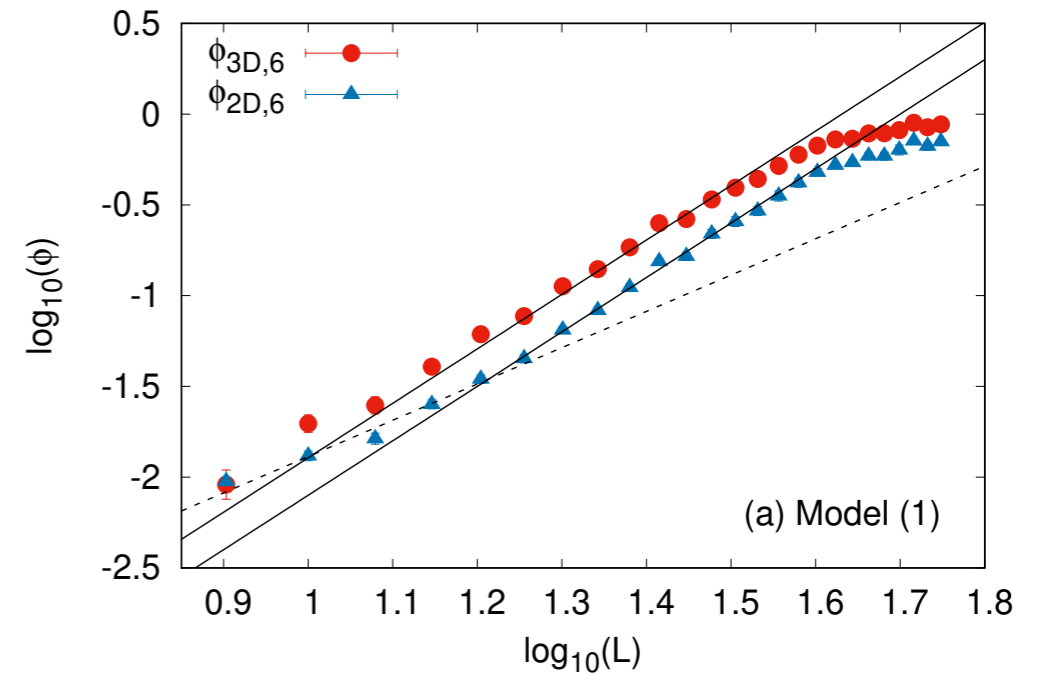
$$\vec{M}_{2D} = \frac{1}{L^2} \sum_{x,y} \vec{m}(x, y, \tau)$$

$$\vec{M}_{3D} = \frac{1}{\beta L^2} \int_0^\beta d\tau \sum_{x,y} \vec{m}(x, y, \tau)$$

$$\vec{M}_{1Ds} = \frac{1}{L} \sum_x \vec{m}(x, y, \tau)$$

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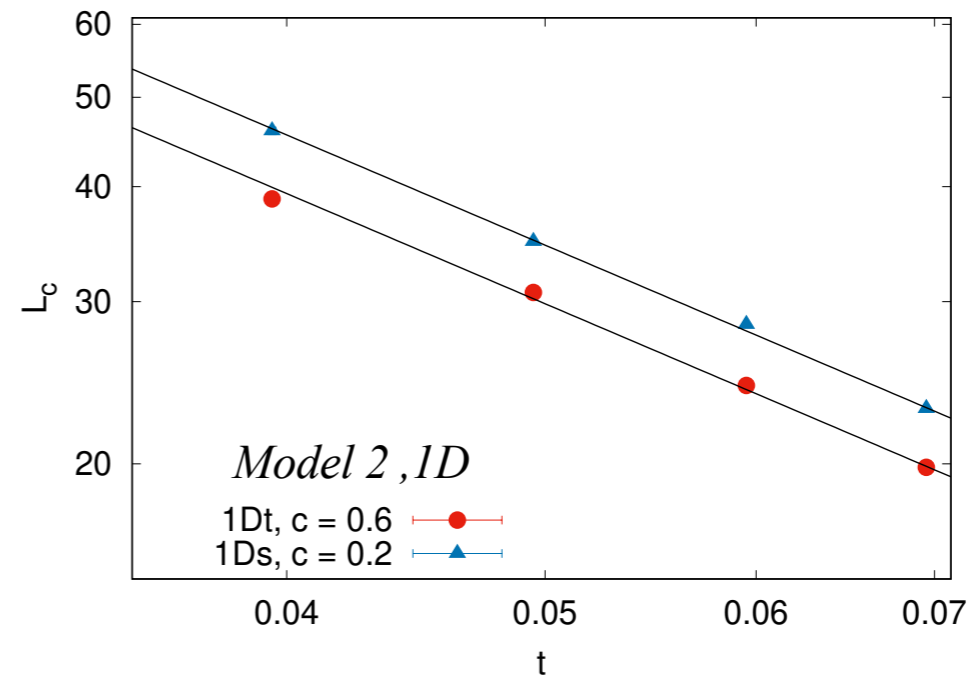
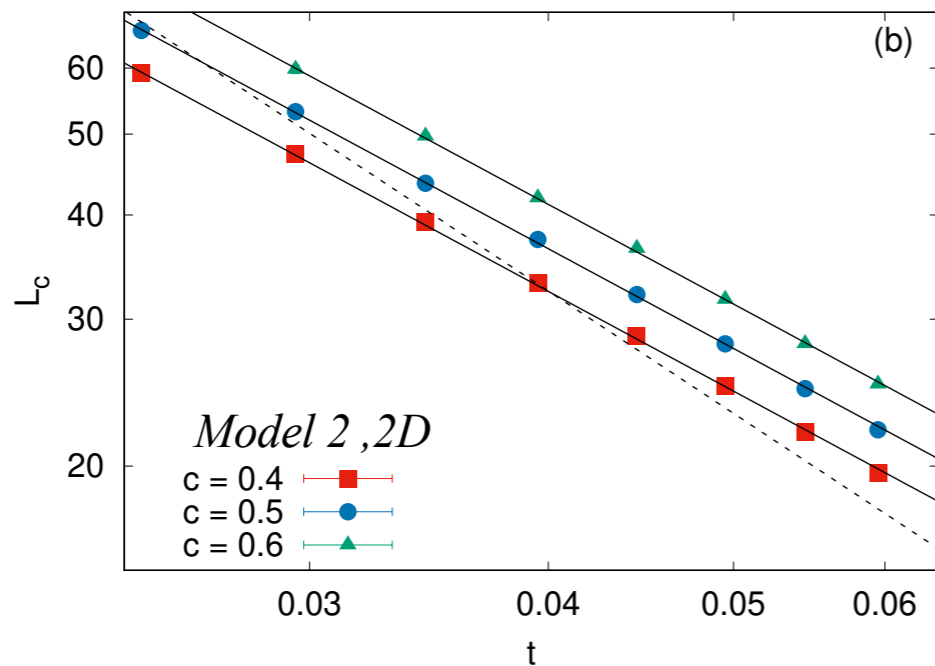
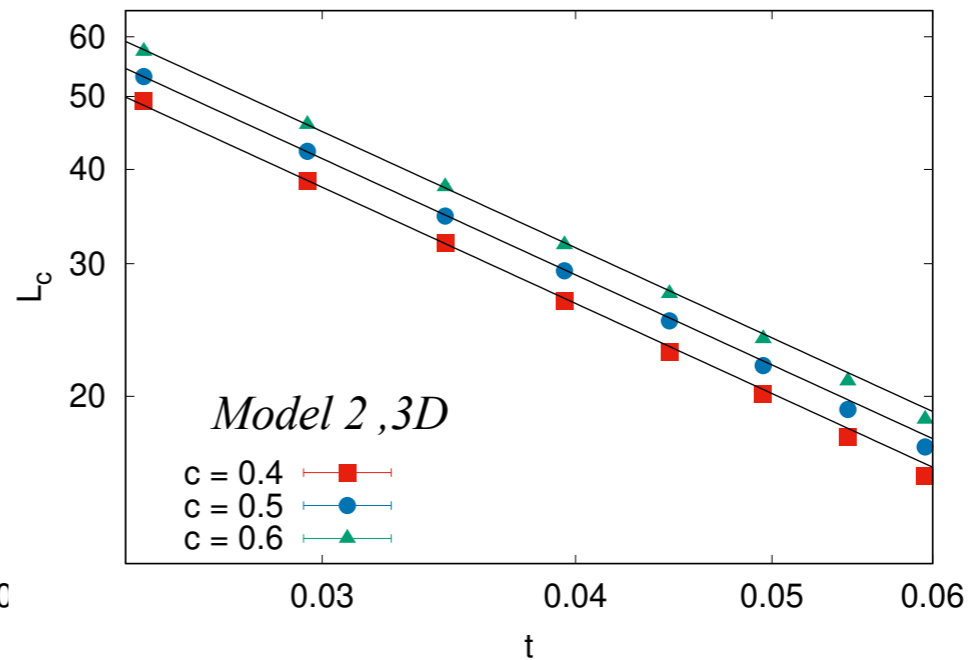
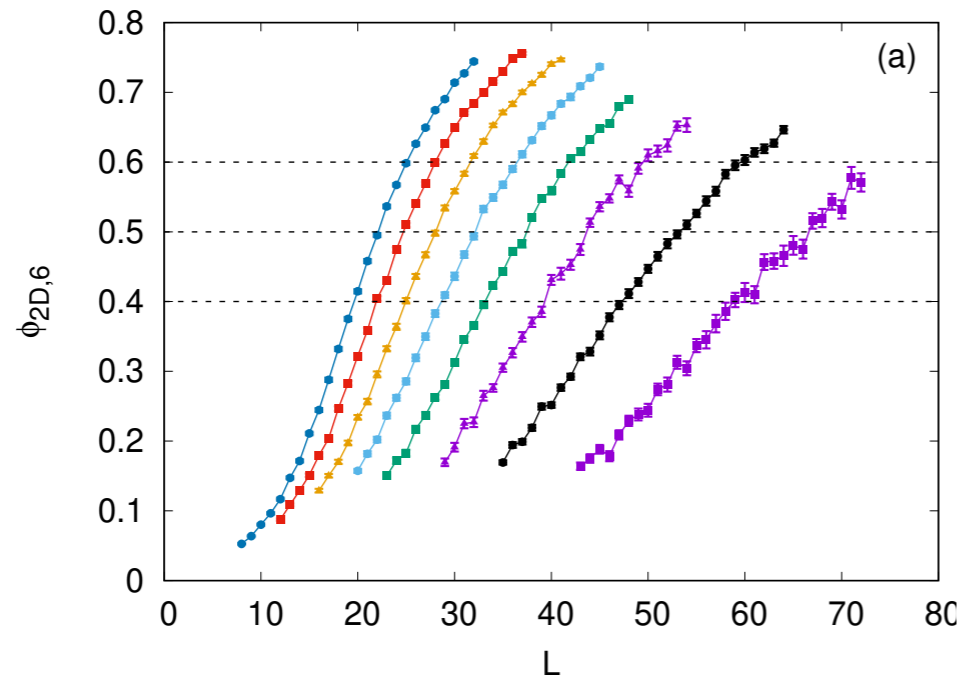
- **p=3** found for all cases studied.



2D quantum clock model

- Extrapolation of ν'_q consistent with $p=3$ in the scaling law.

$$\nu' = \nu \left(1 + \frac{|y_q|}{p} \right)$$



3D anisotropic classical clock model

- D to D+1 mapping leads to the 3D anisotropic classical clock model (with strong anisotropy):

$$H_1 = -J_{\parallel} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{\parallel}} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) - J_{\perp} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{\perp}} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

$$H_2 = -J_{\parallel} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{\parallel}} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) - J_{\perp} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle_{\perp}} (\delta_{\theta_i, \theta_j} - 1)$$

with $J_{\perp} = 1 + \lambda$, $J_{\parallel} = 1 - \lambda$.

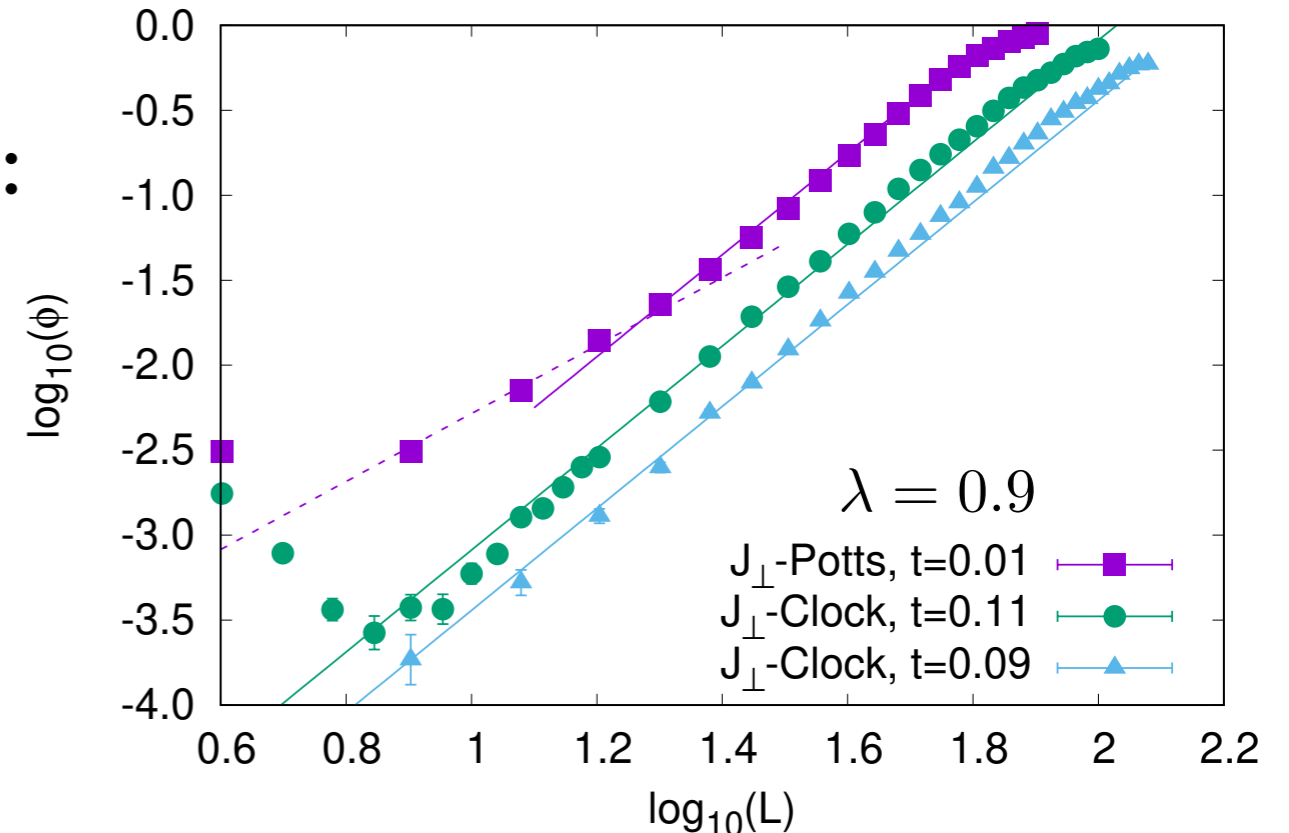
- Scaling near the NG fixed point:

When λ is large,

$p=3$ for J_{\perp} -Clock model;

crossover from $p=2$ to $p=3$

for J_{\perp} -Potts model.



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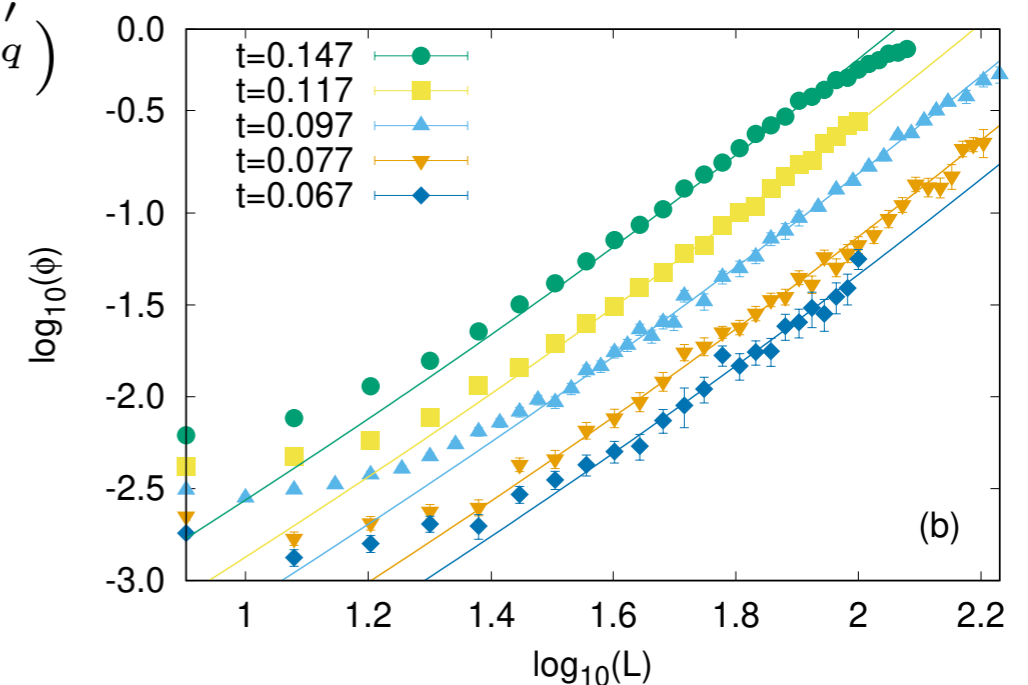
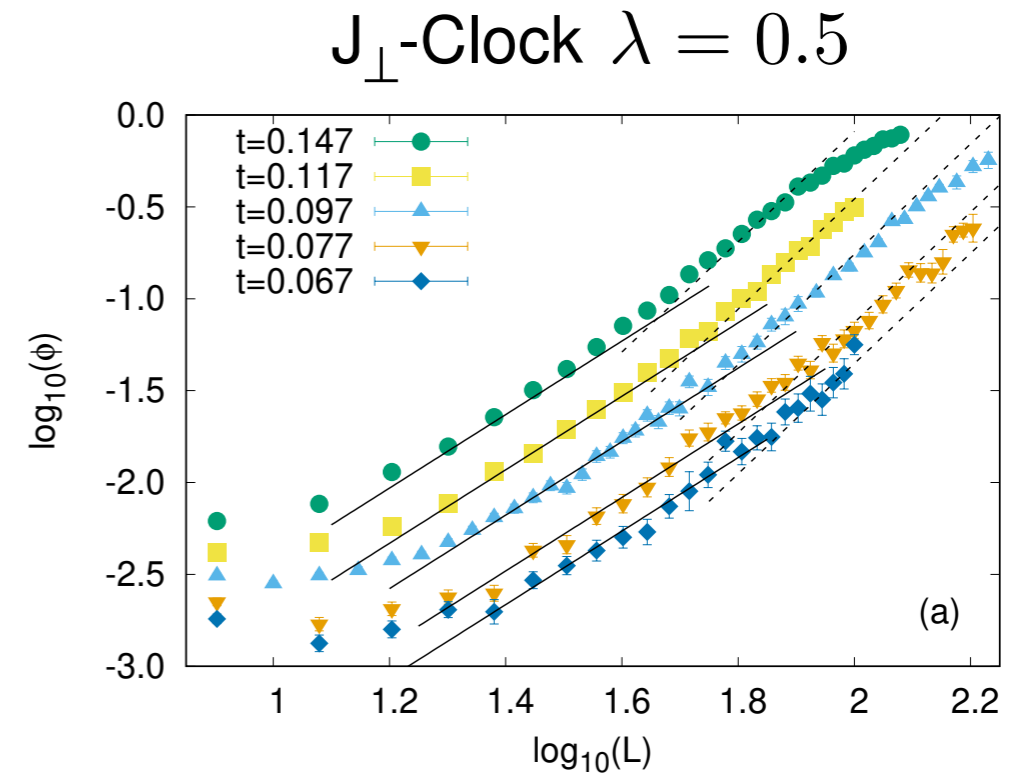
- Scaling near the NG fixed point:

-Crossover from $p=2$ to $p=3$
also found for J_{\perp} -Clock model.

- Scaling with two different
power laws:

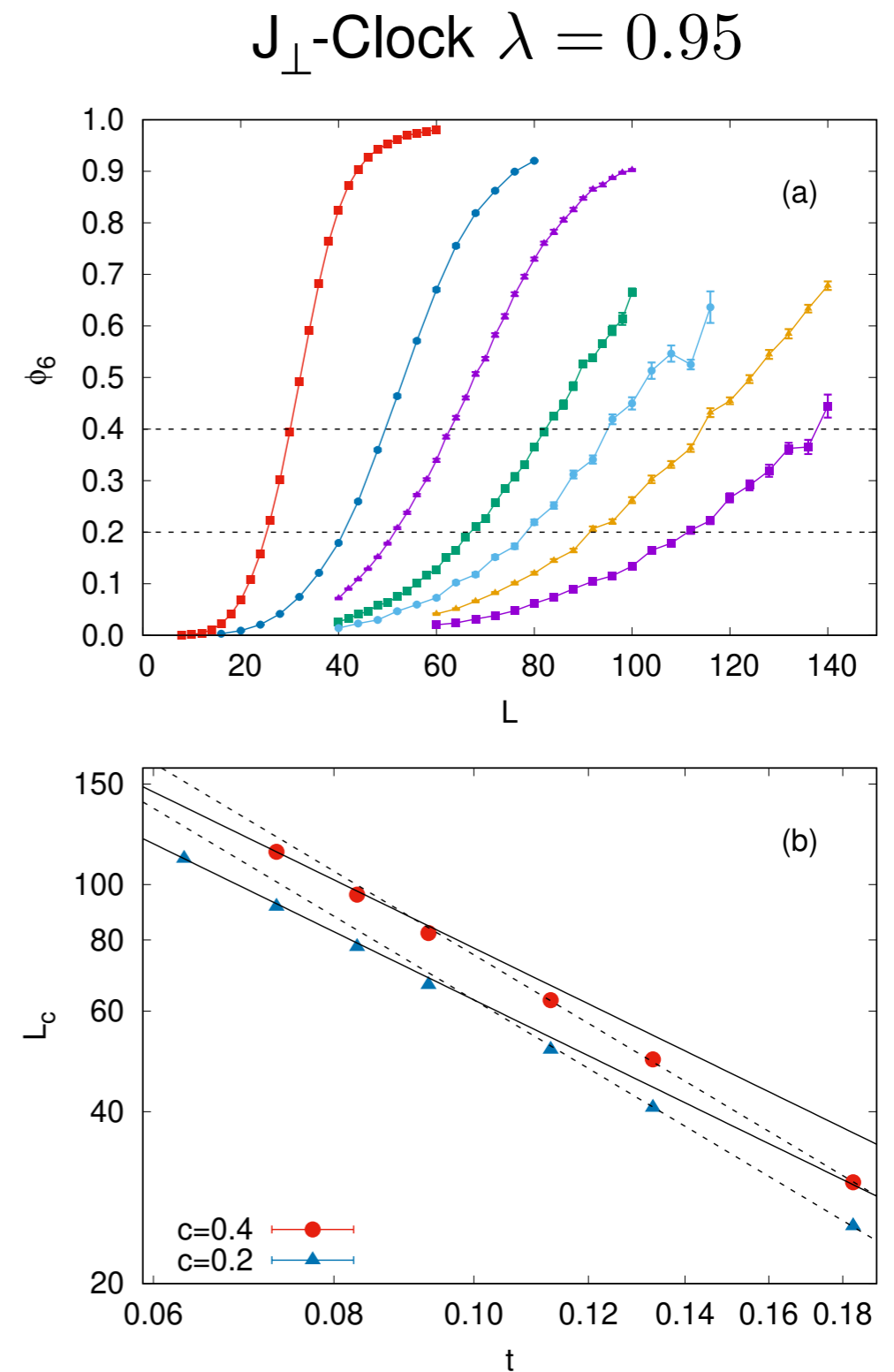
$$\phi_q \sim (c_2 L^2 t^{\nu(2+|y_q|)} + c_3 L^3 t^{\nu(3+|y_q|)}) g(tL^{1/\nu'_q})$$

has good agreement with
the data.



3D anisotropic classical clock model

- Evaluation of ν'_q
 - crossover found for large λ ;
 - $\nu'_q(p = 2)$ behavior for larger t ;
 - dominant behavior should always be $\nu'_q(p = 3)$.



Conclusions

- $Z(q)$ field in the clock model is a dangerously irrelevant field;
- Two length scale scaling function can describe all the renormalization stages;
- Unconventional $U(1)$ to Z_q cross-over found in quantum and anisotropic classical clock models, and further understanding needed for scaling power $p=3$;
- Discussions based on $O(2)$ case should apply to $O(n)$;
- Closely related to the deconfined quantum phase transition of the JQ model. (Anders on Friday)