

Simulation of lattice statistical models with defects: Critical Casimir Effect

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Critical Casimir Effect:

1. Motivation and historical remarks

- a. Casimir effect: Quantum and Critical
- b. Individual defect
- c. Casimir defect-defect interaction

2. Casimir effect and defect line

- a. Motivation
- b. Collapse of defect line
- c. Casimir self-energy of defect curves: Casimir “antigravity”
- d. Confinement on defect line
- e. Defect-antidefect pier creation
- f. Defect-defect and defect-antidefect interactions on the defect line

3. Conclusion

There are many parallels between the
Quantum Theory and **Classical Statistical Physics**.

Critical Casimir Effect is an example of such connection.

Critical Casimir Effect has numerous applications in
colloid physics,
material science,
nano-structure physics,
biophysics and biomedicine,
and many and many others ...

Casimir Effect: short introduction

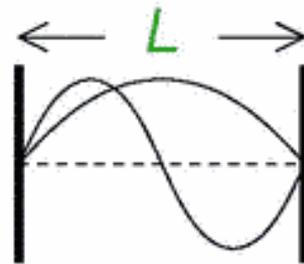
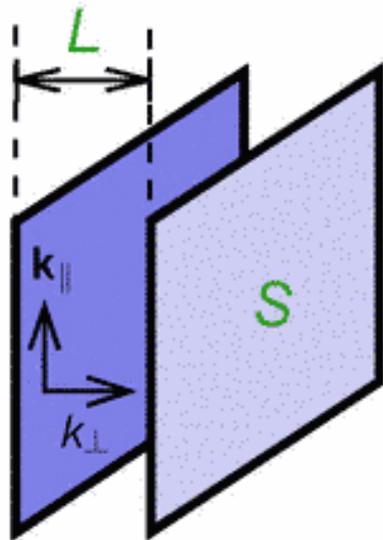


- 1) Casimir Effect is macroscopic field theory effect
- 2) Casimir Effect is surface-like effect, surface forces are generated.
- 3) Microscopic description of Casimir Effect - multipole expansion + relativism at long distance
- 5) At short distance Casimir forces becomes the composition of Van der Waals intermolecular forces.

Casimir Effect: short introduction



Plates $\Rightarrow \mathbf{E}_{\parallel}, B_{\perp} = 0$, *Boundary conditions!*

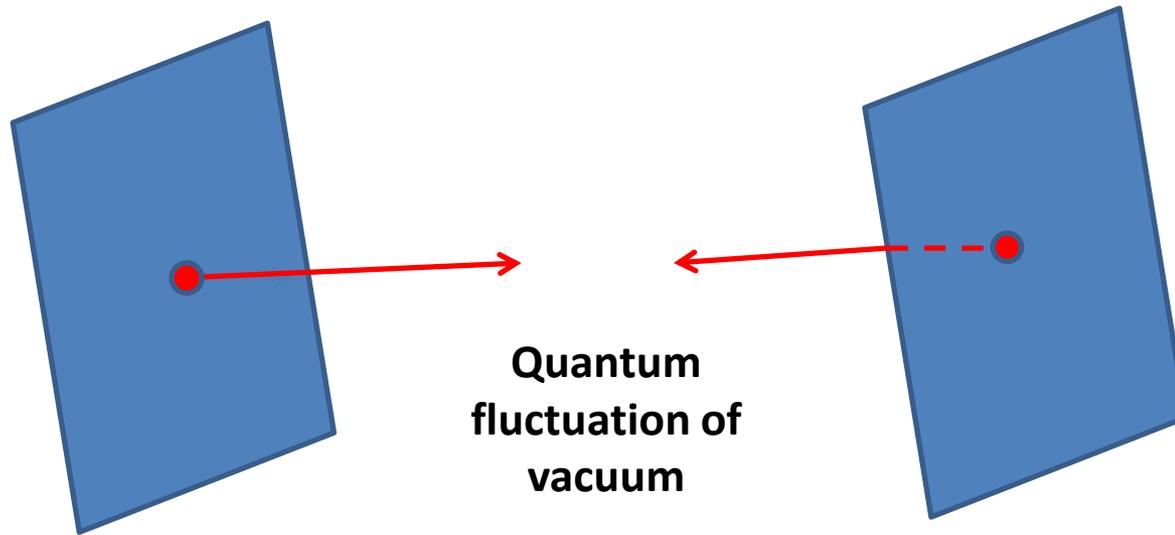


\leadsto allowed modes: $k_{\perp} = \frac{\pi n}{L}, n = 1, 2, \dots$

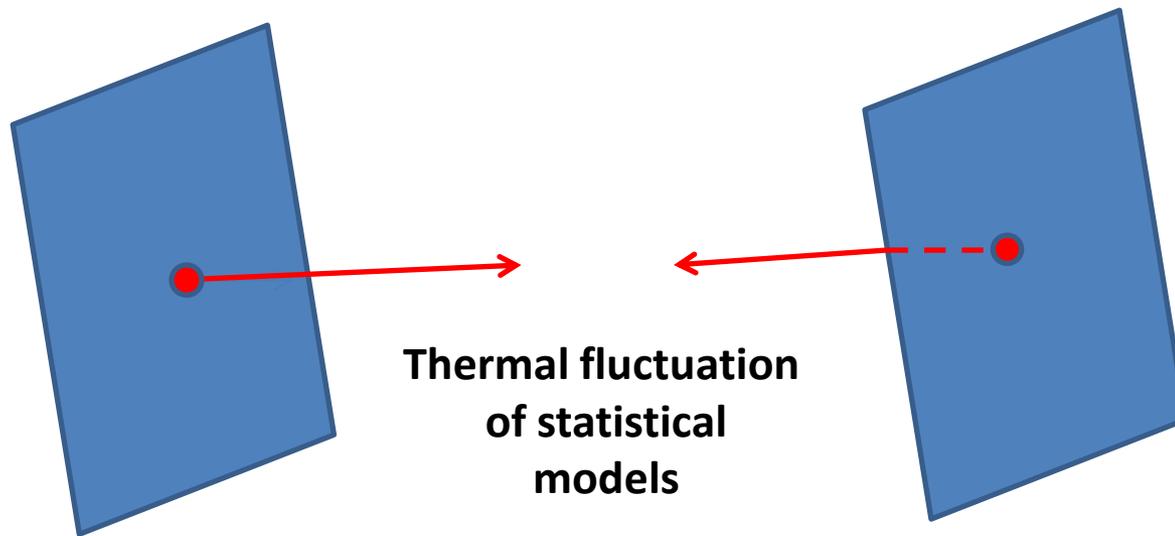
QED: $\mathcal{E} = \sum_{\text{modes}} \frac{1}{2} \hbar c |\mathbf{k}|_{\text{modes}}$ $c = \text{speed of light}$

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\text{bulk}} + \mathcal{E}_{\text{surf}}^{(L+R)} + S \frac{\hbar c}{L^3} \left[-\frac{\pi^2}{1440} + O((\kappa L)^{-2}) \right]$$

Critical Casimir Effect: Casimir Effect in statistical model



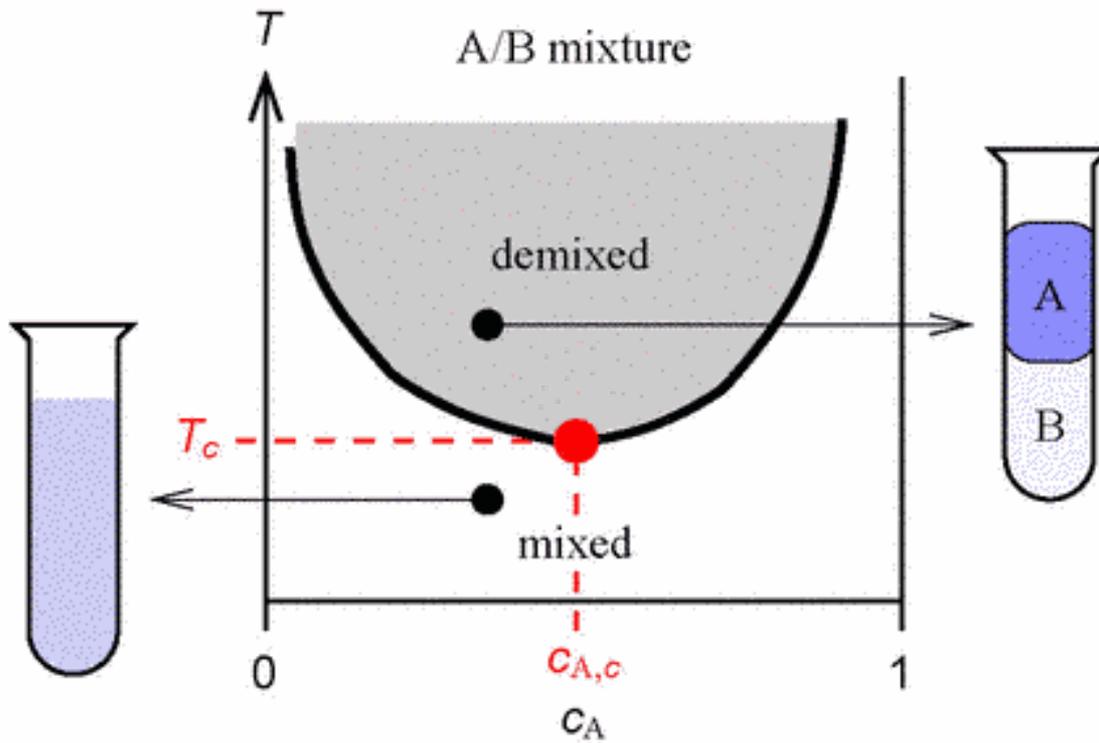
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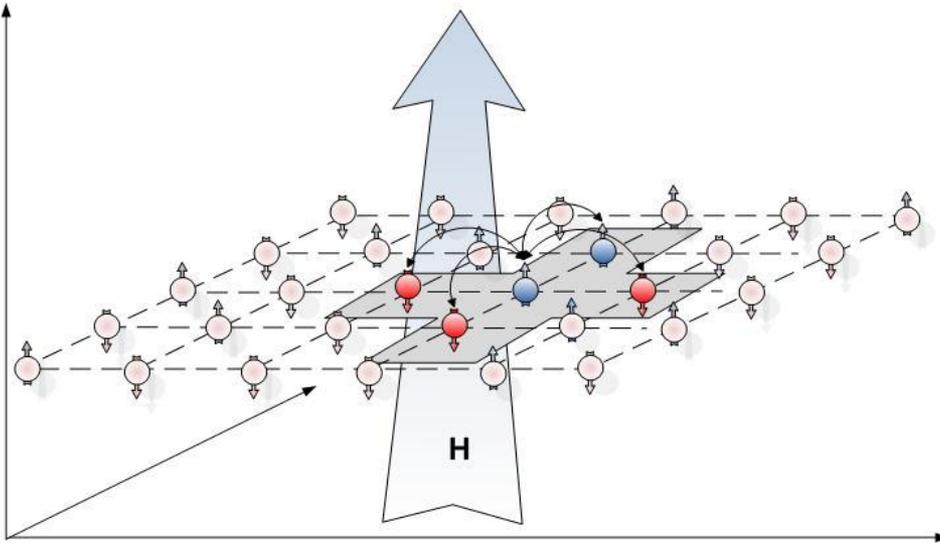
M. Krech, *The Casimir Effect in Critical Systems* (World Scientific, Singapore, 1994)

$^3\text{He} - ^4\text{He}$ mixture



Crucial idea: we must study the **Binary Mixture Problem** on the example of suitable **Simple Model** which belongs to the same **class of Universality** that original system!

Conformal symmetry and phase transition: Ising model illustration



$$E(\text{Conf}) = -J \sum_{x,\mu} \sigma_x \sigma_{x+\mu} + H \sum_x \sigma_x,$$

$$P(\text{Conf}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta E(\text{Conf})}$$

Scale invariance at "Fractal" State

Chaos

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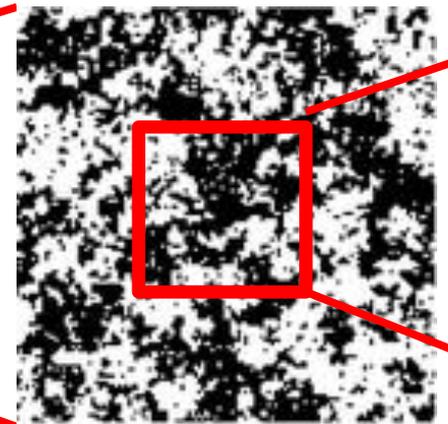
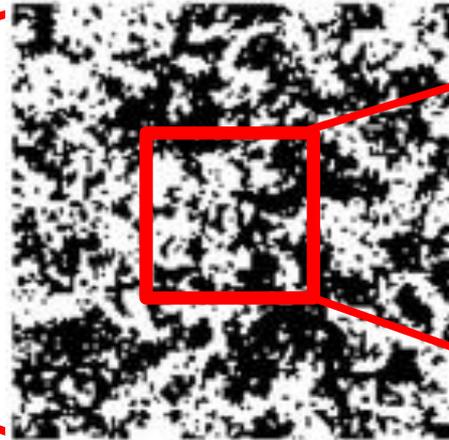
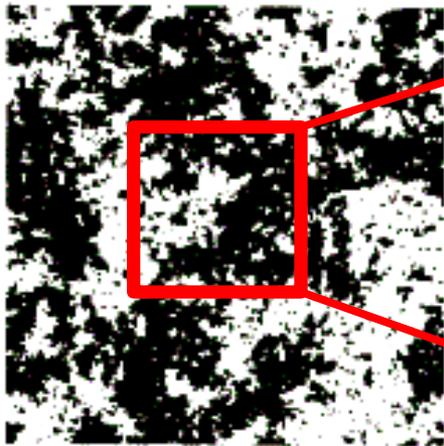


"Fractal" State

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Spin Domain

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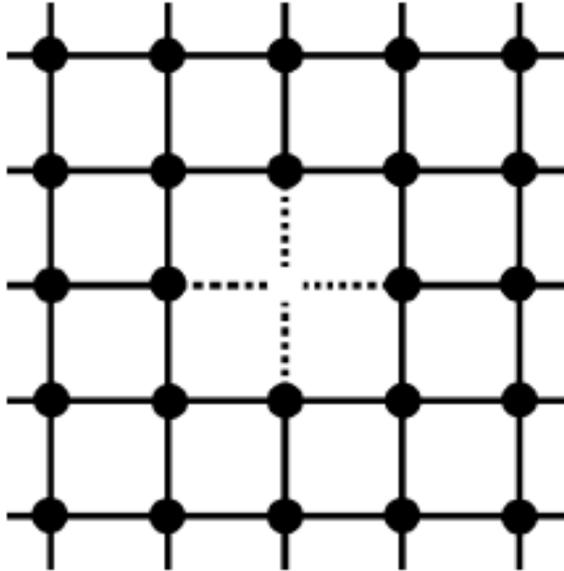


Scale invariance at “Fractal” State

“Fractal” State properties depend only from symmetry of the model.

So, if the model has , for example, defect which breaks **locally** symmetries, it leads to large **non-local** changing's in “Fractal” State at **Critical Point**.

Ising model with defect



$$E(\text{Conf}) = - \sum_{x,\mu} J_{x,x+\mu} \sigma_x \sigma_{x+\mu} + H \sum_x \sigma_x,$$

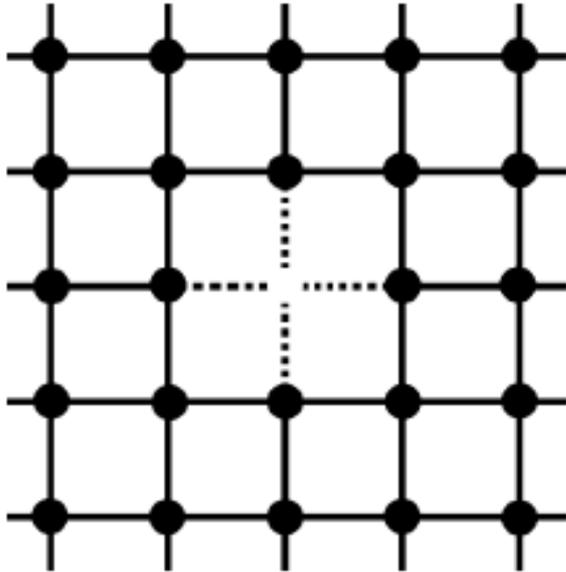
$$P(\text{Conf}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta E(\text{Conf})}, \quad \kappa = \beta J$$

Mass of defect:

$$m_d = E_d - E_0,$$

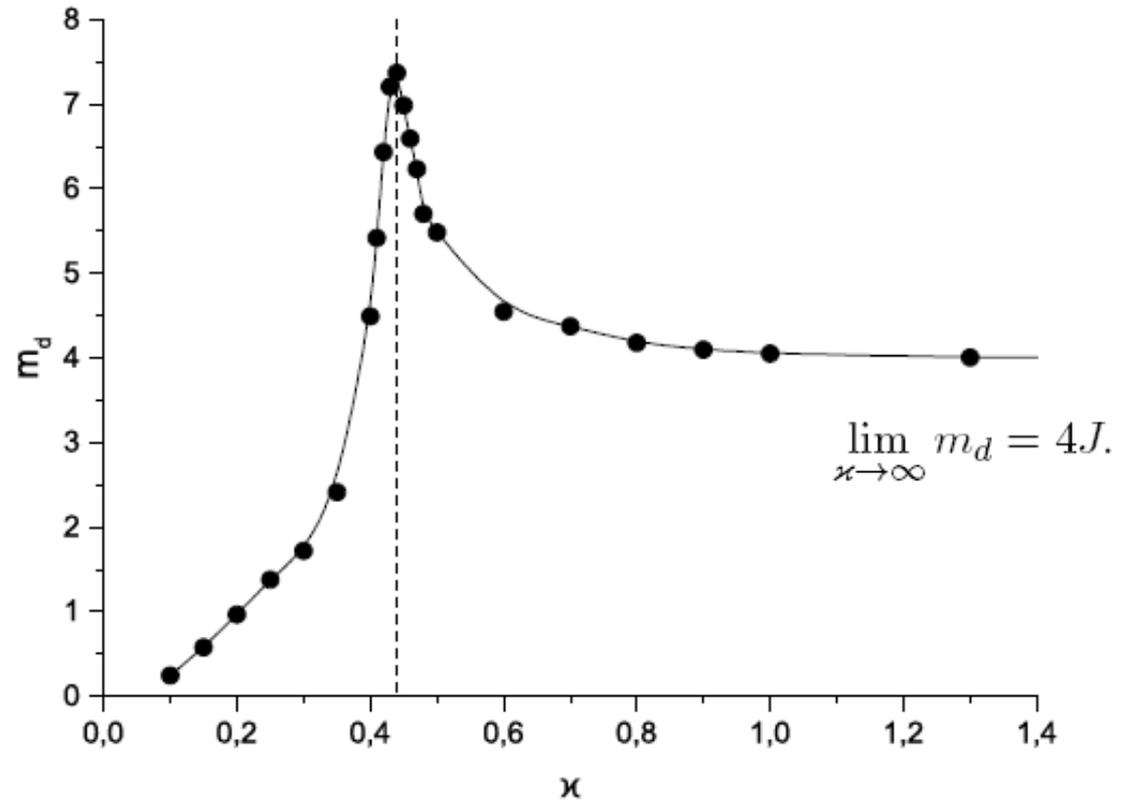
Subtraction procedure

MC of Ising model with defects

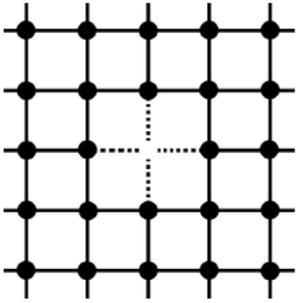


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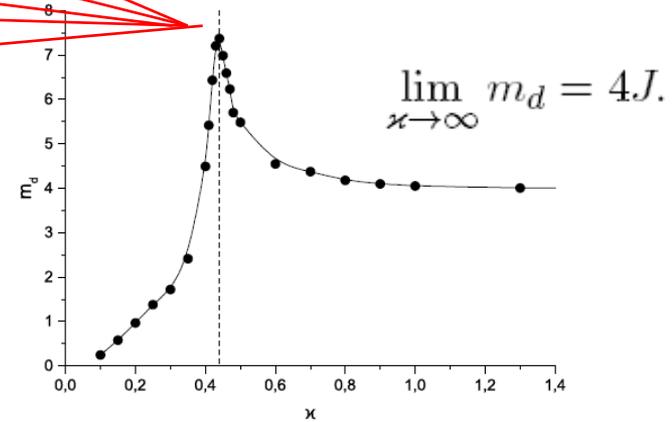
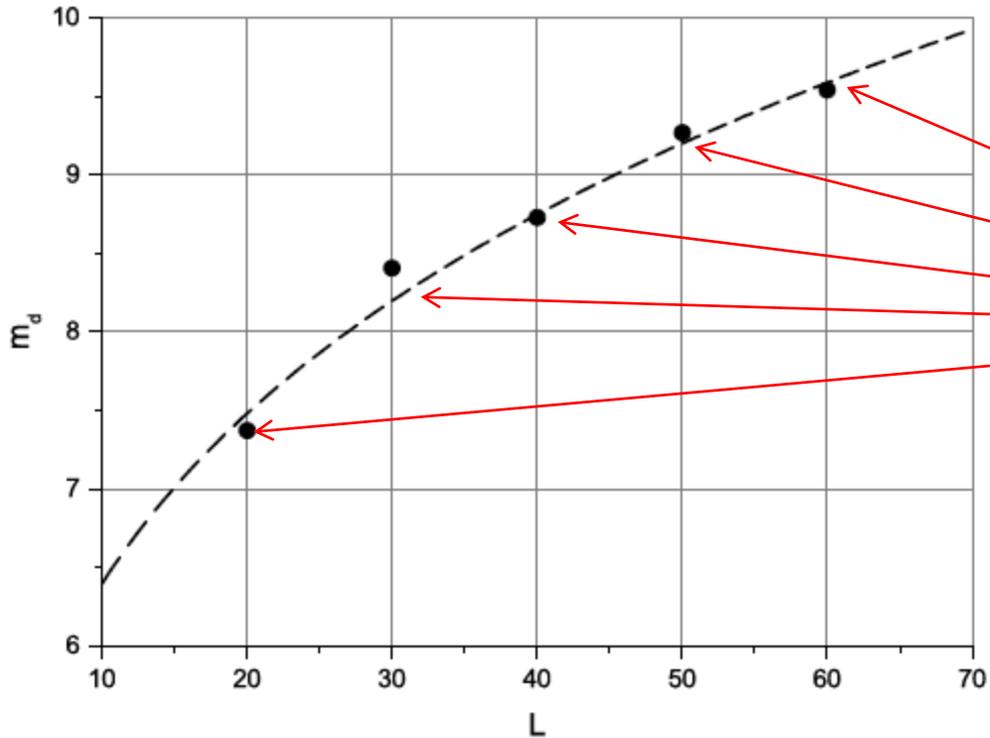


Mass of defect: volume dependence

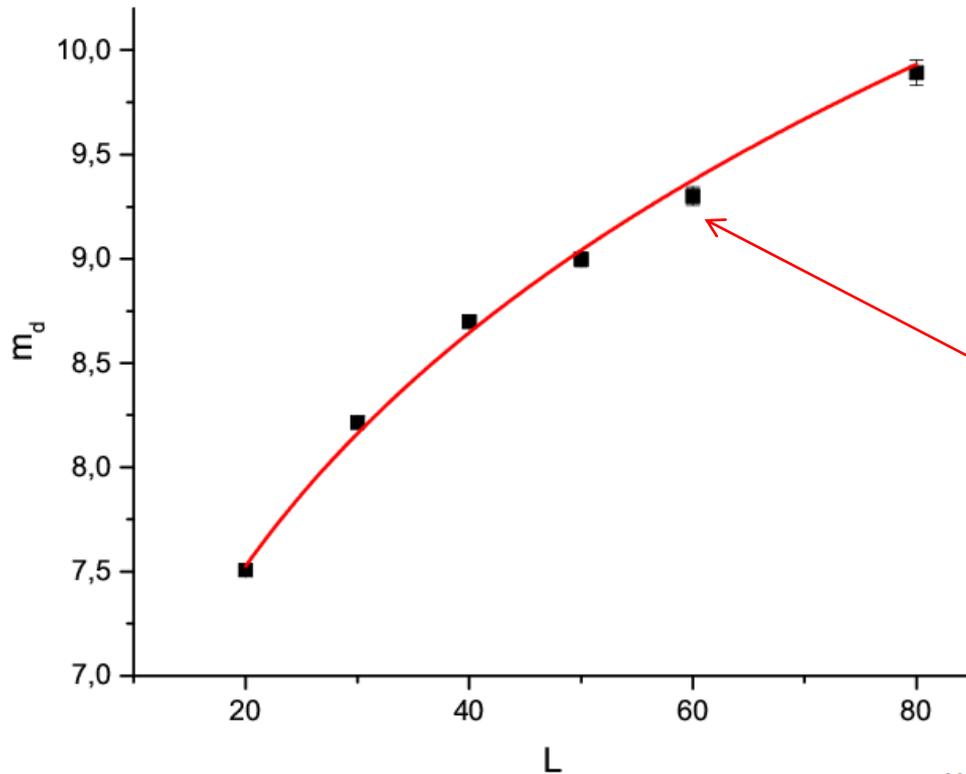


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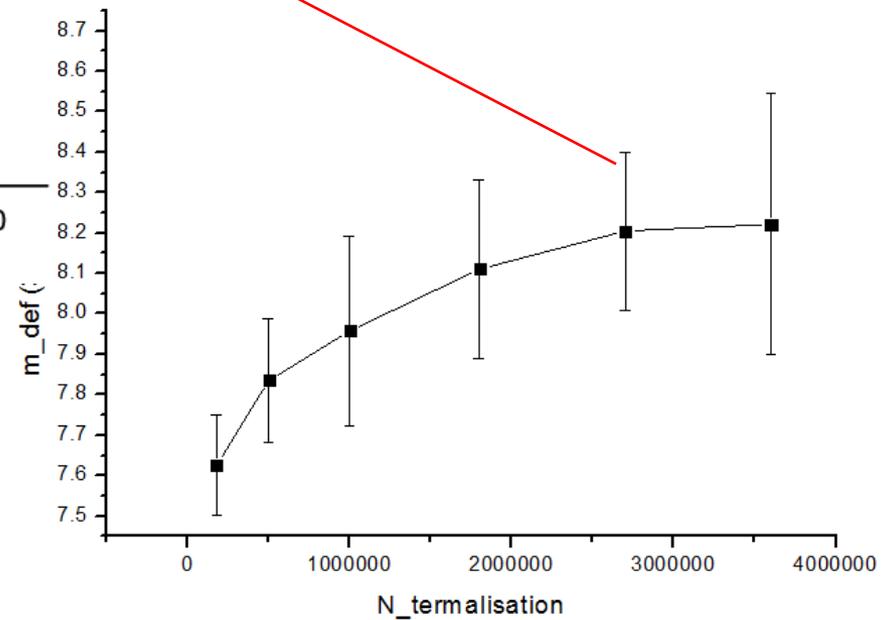
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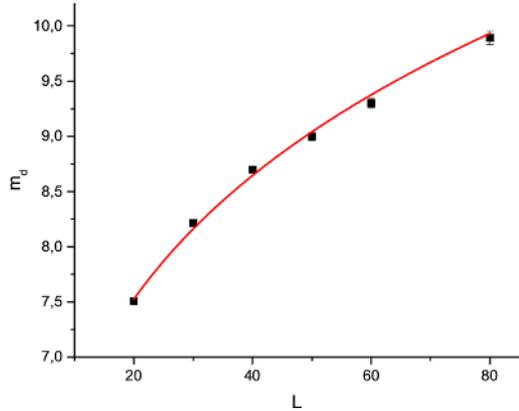
MC of defect mass: lattice volume dependence and thermalisation problems



$$m_d^{\text{CF}} = AL^n, \quad n \approx \frac{1}{5}$$

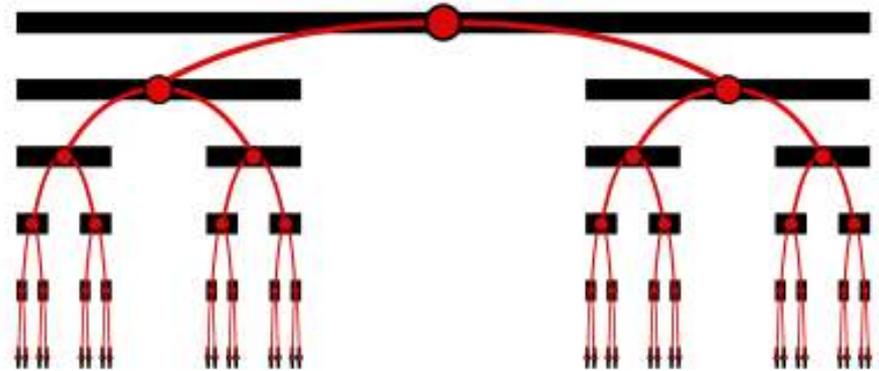


Defect in critical point: fractal dim object and Cantor set



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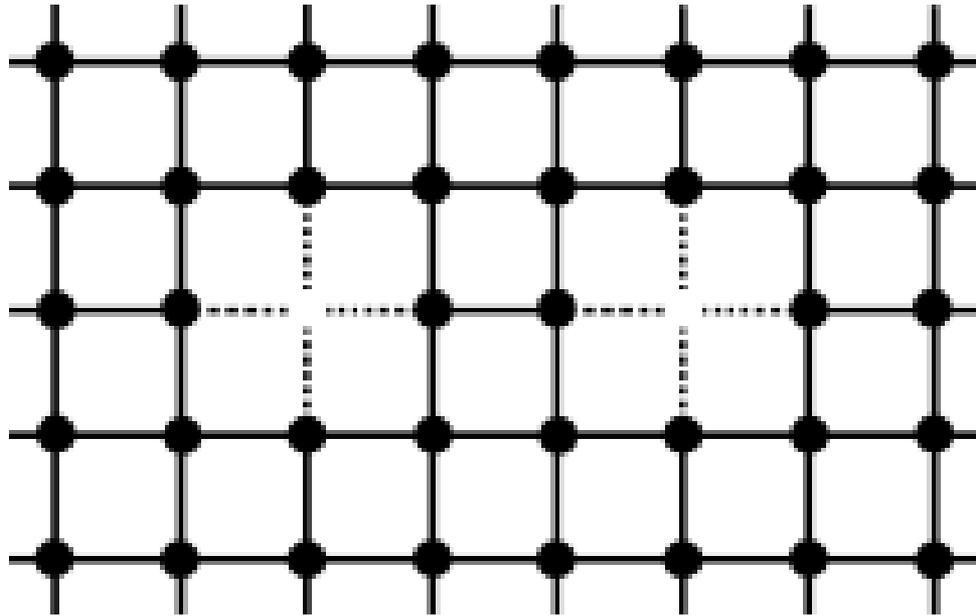
Cantor set



Reflection in broken (fractal) mirror

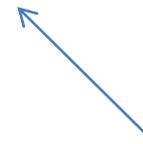


Critical Casimir Forces between two defects



Two defects **Bound Energy**

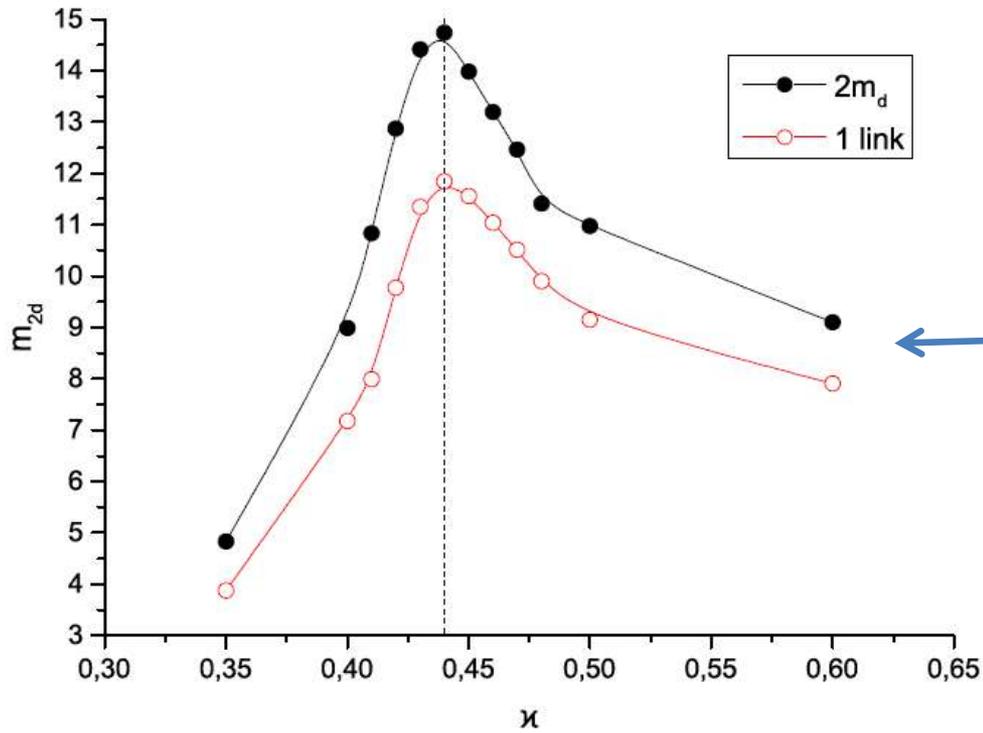
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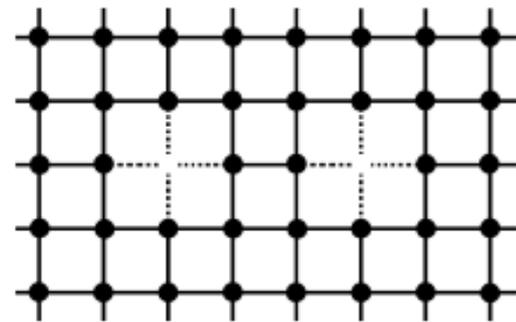
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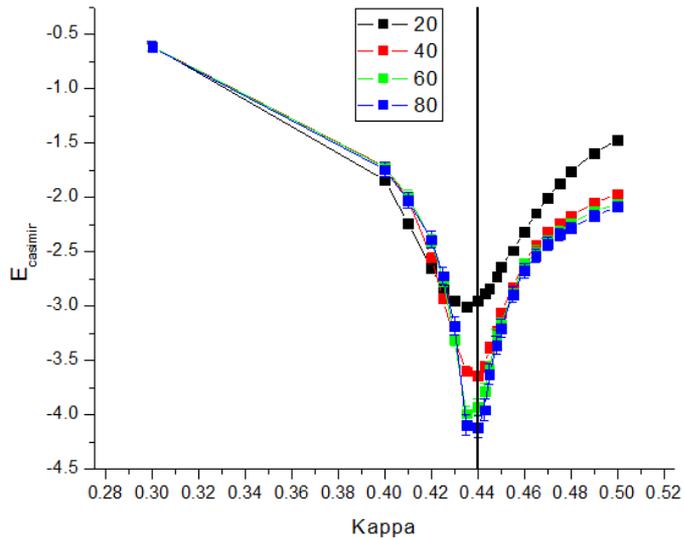
$m_{2d} < 2m_d$



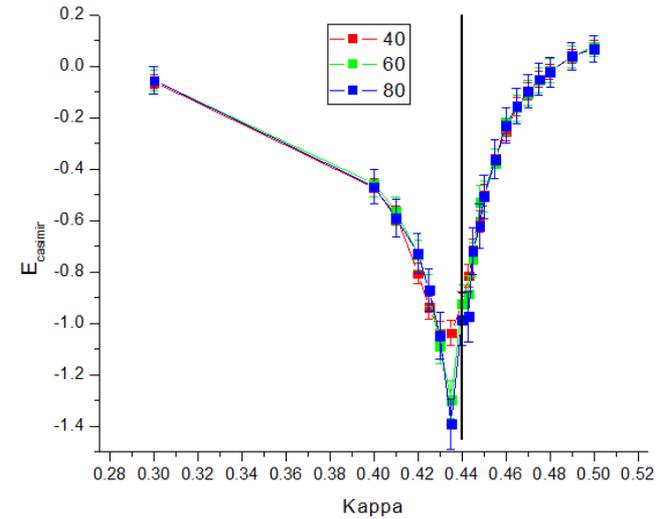
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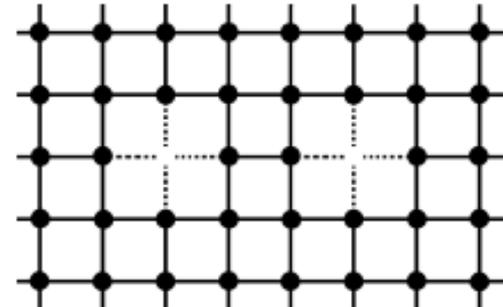
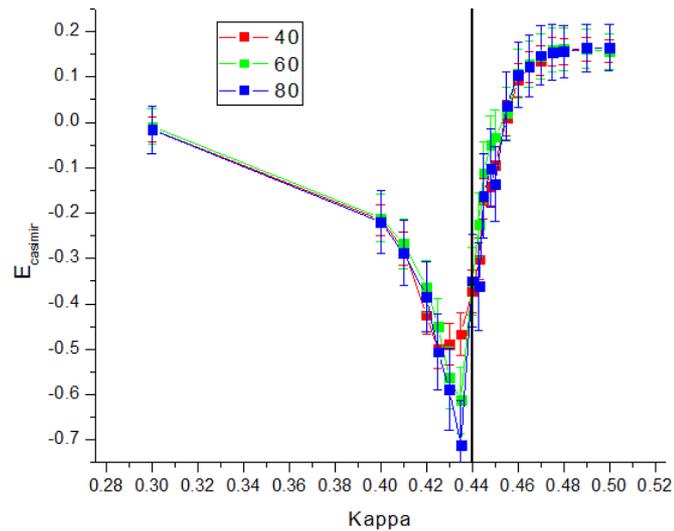
Dist. between def's = 1



Dist. between def's = 2

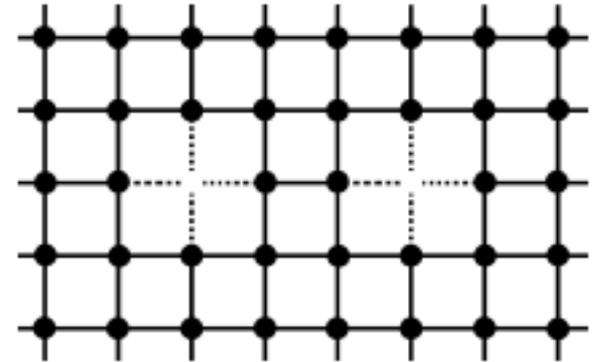
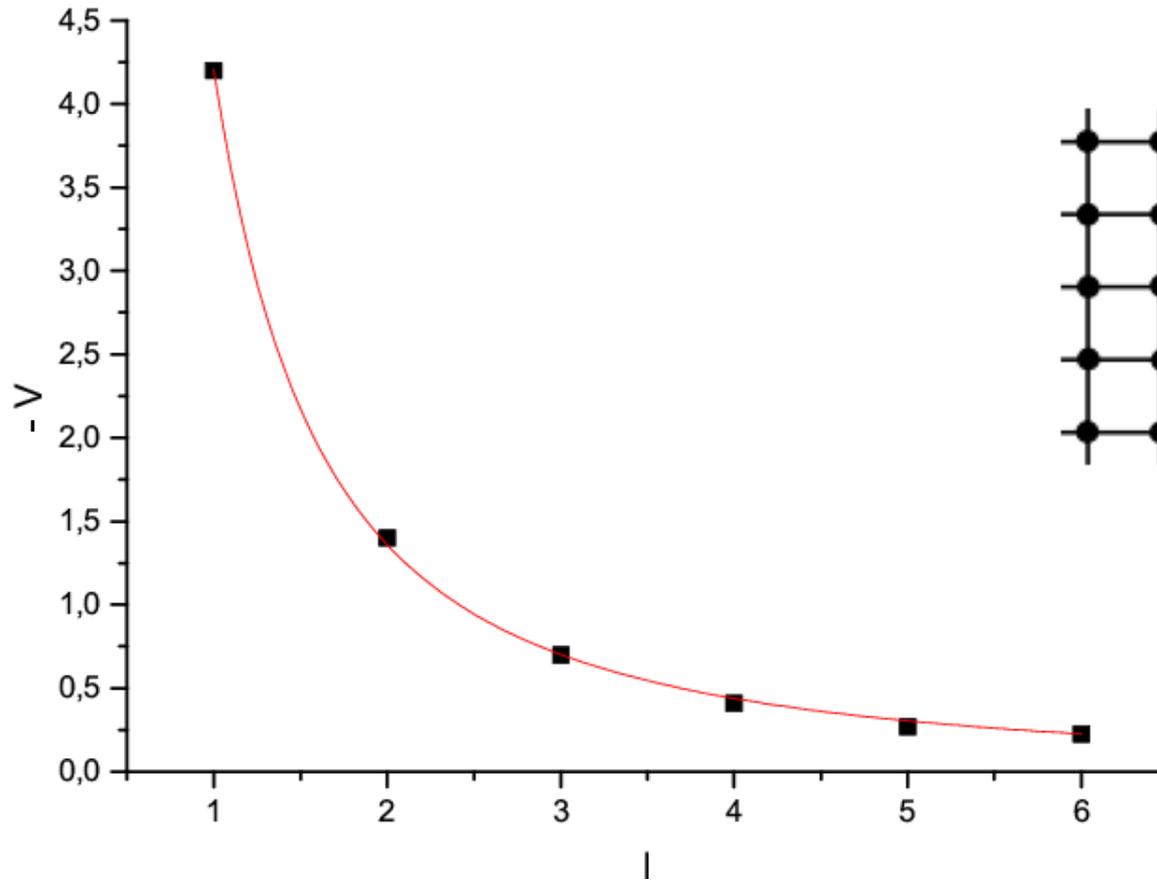


Dist. between def's = 3



Critical Casimir Forces between two defects

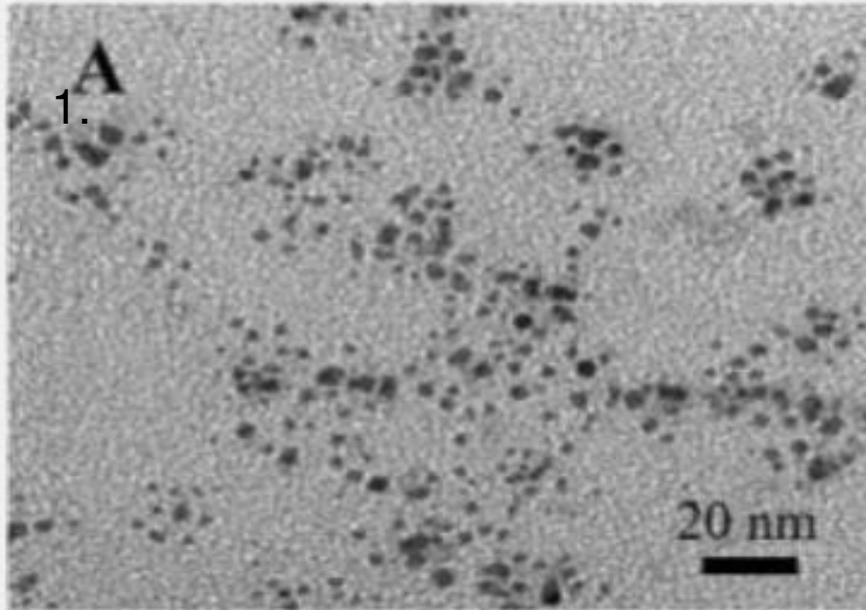
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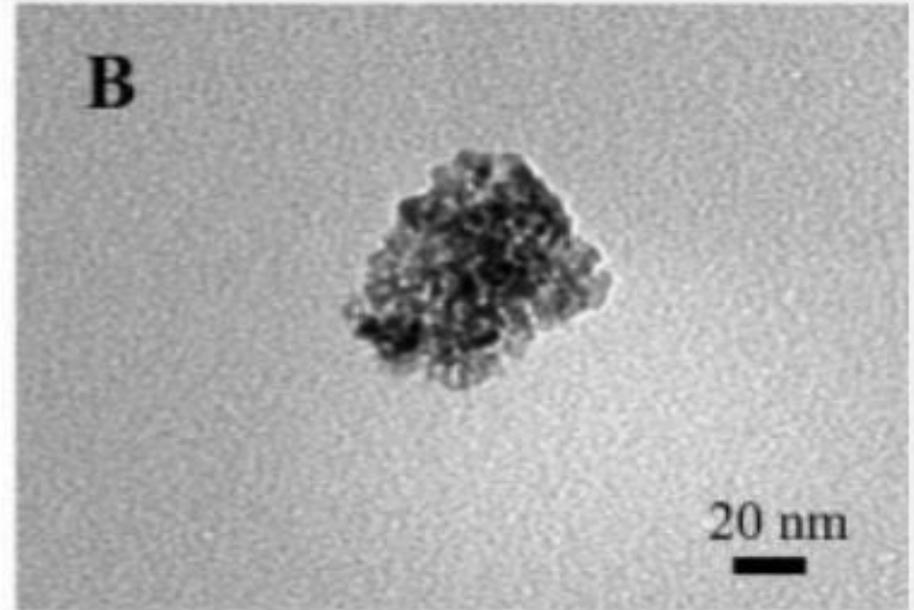
$$F(l) \sim \frac{1}{l^3}$$

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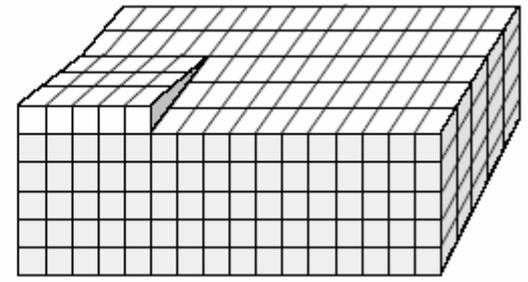
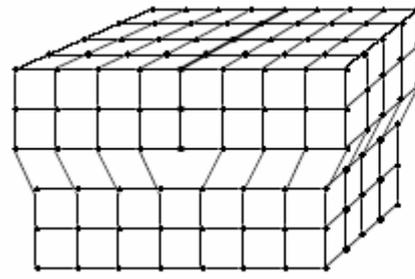
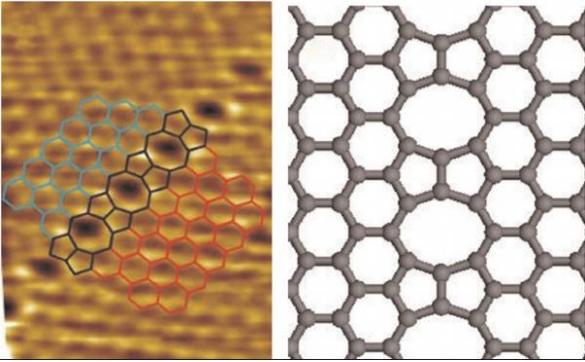
Defects aggregation



Dispersed nanoparticles



Aggregated nanoparticles



Critical Casimir Effect in defect lines

Critical Casimir Effect: BioPhysics Applications

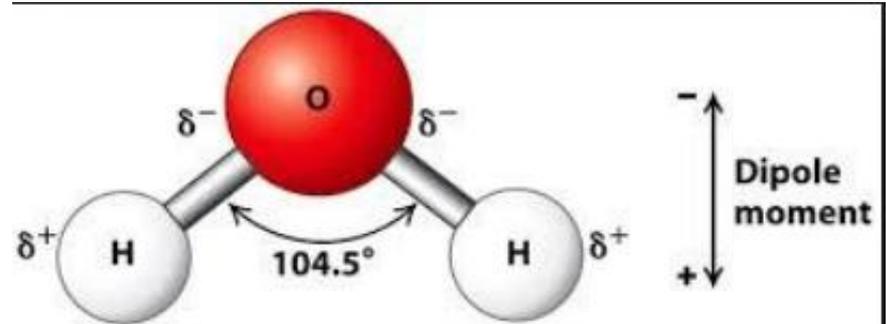
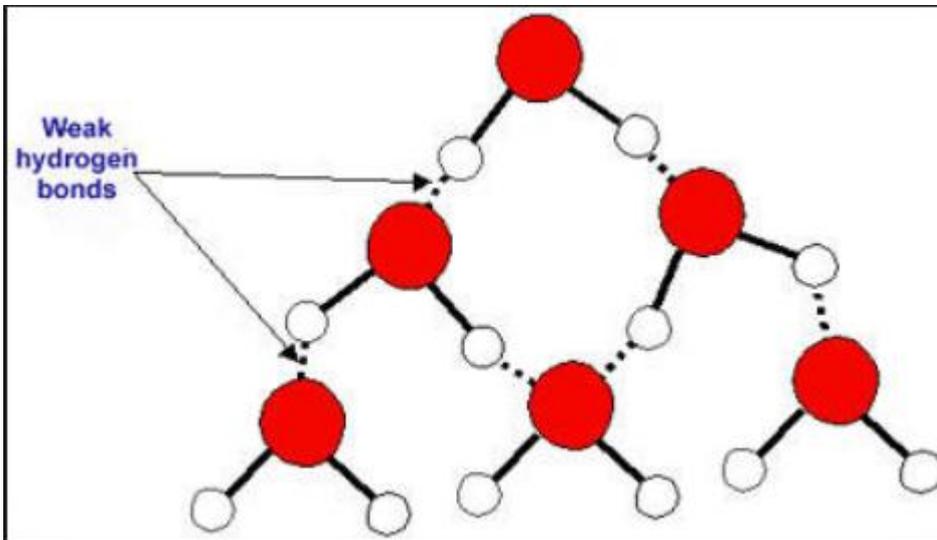
Biological processes in a medium of polarized molecules:

- Protein folding
- Cell membranes formation and lipid rafts
- Biological catalyst
- ...

Critical Casimir Effect: BioMedical Application

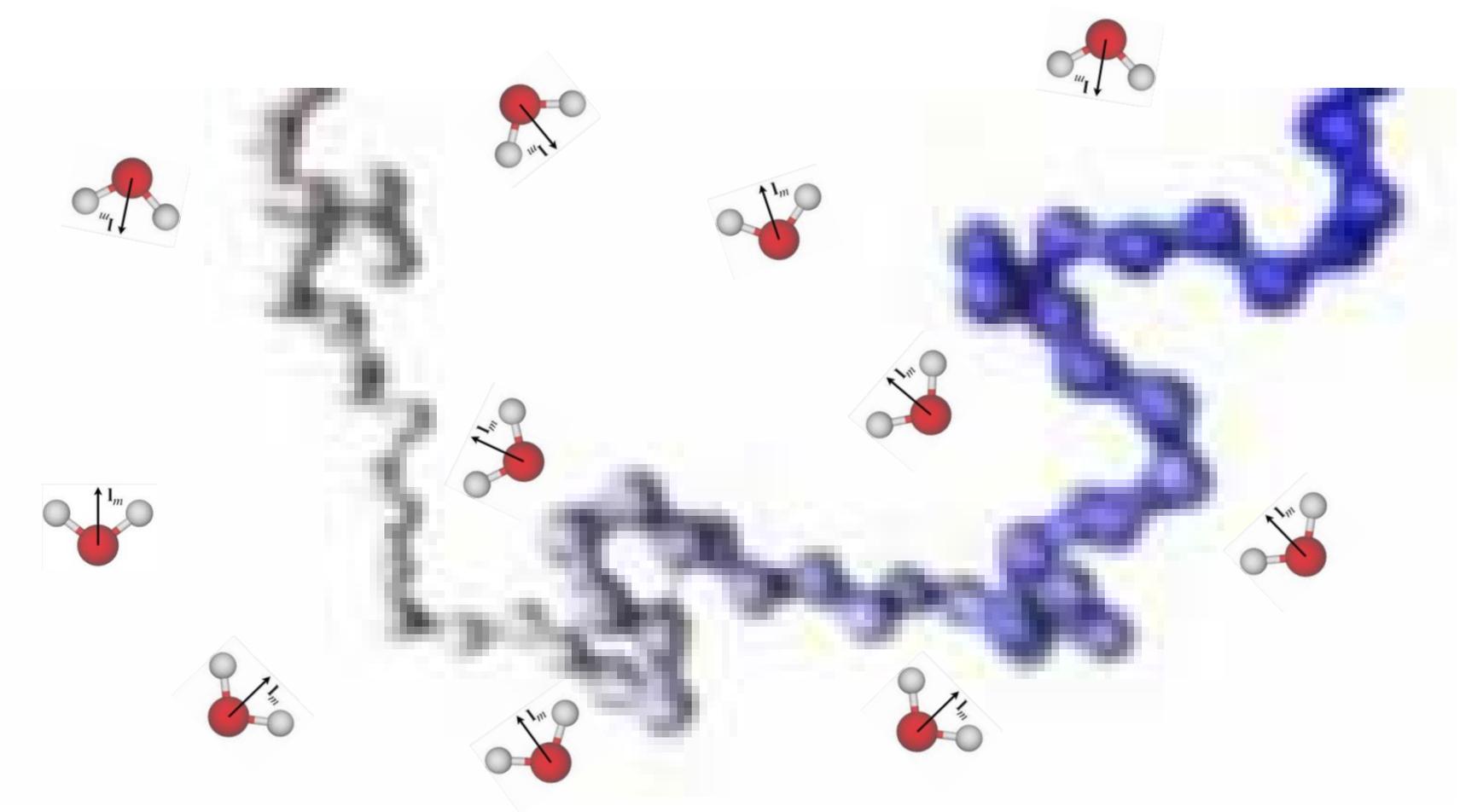
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We have to take into account medium in which the protein folding is taken place.



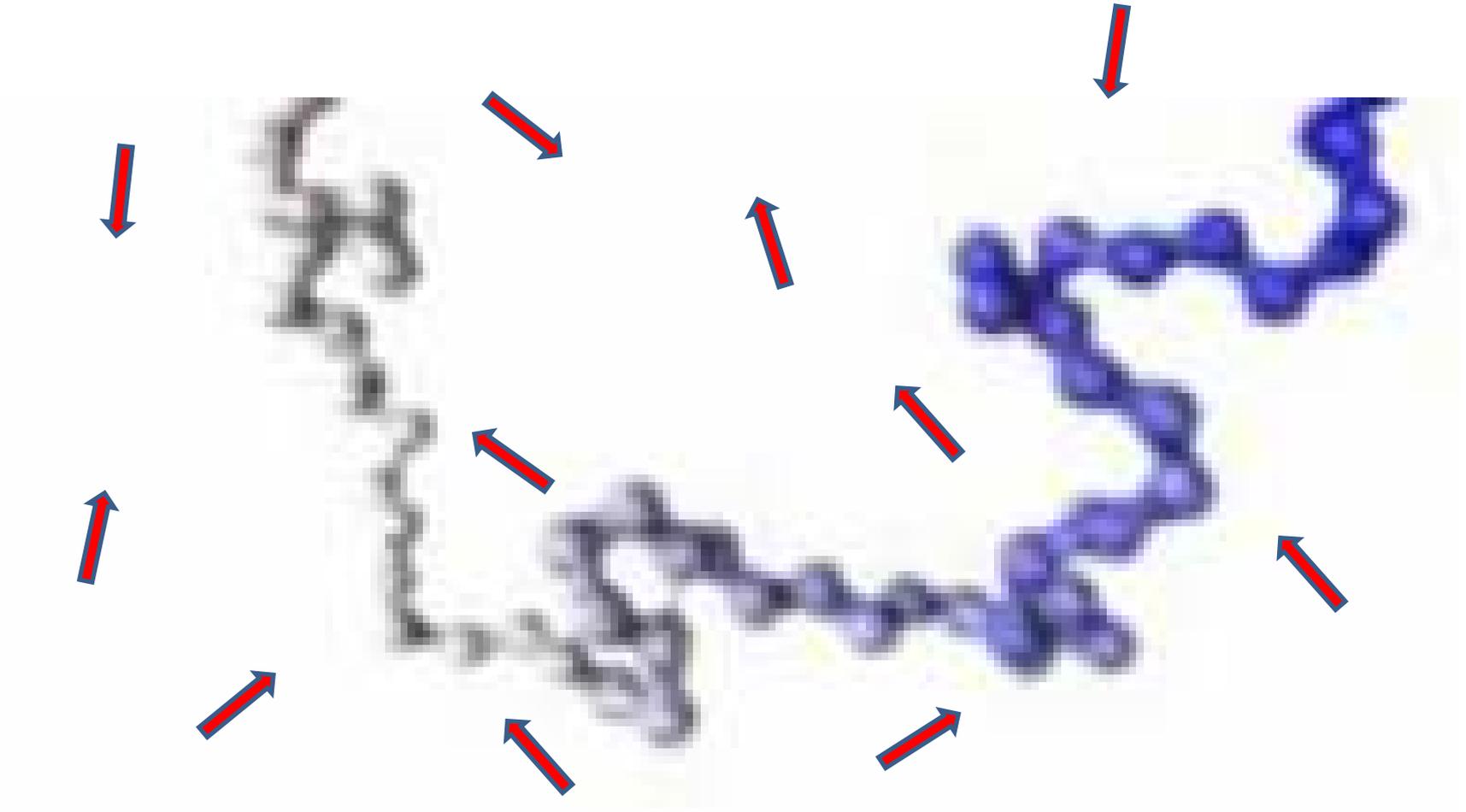
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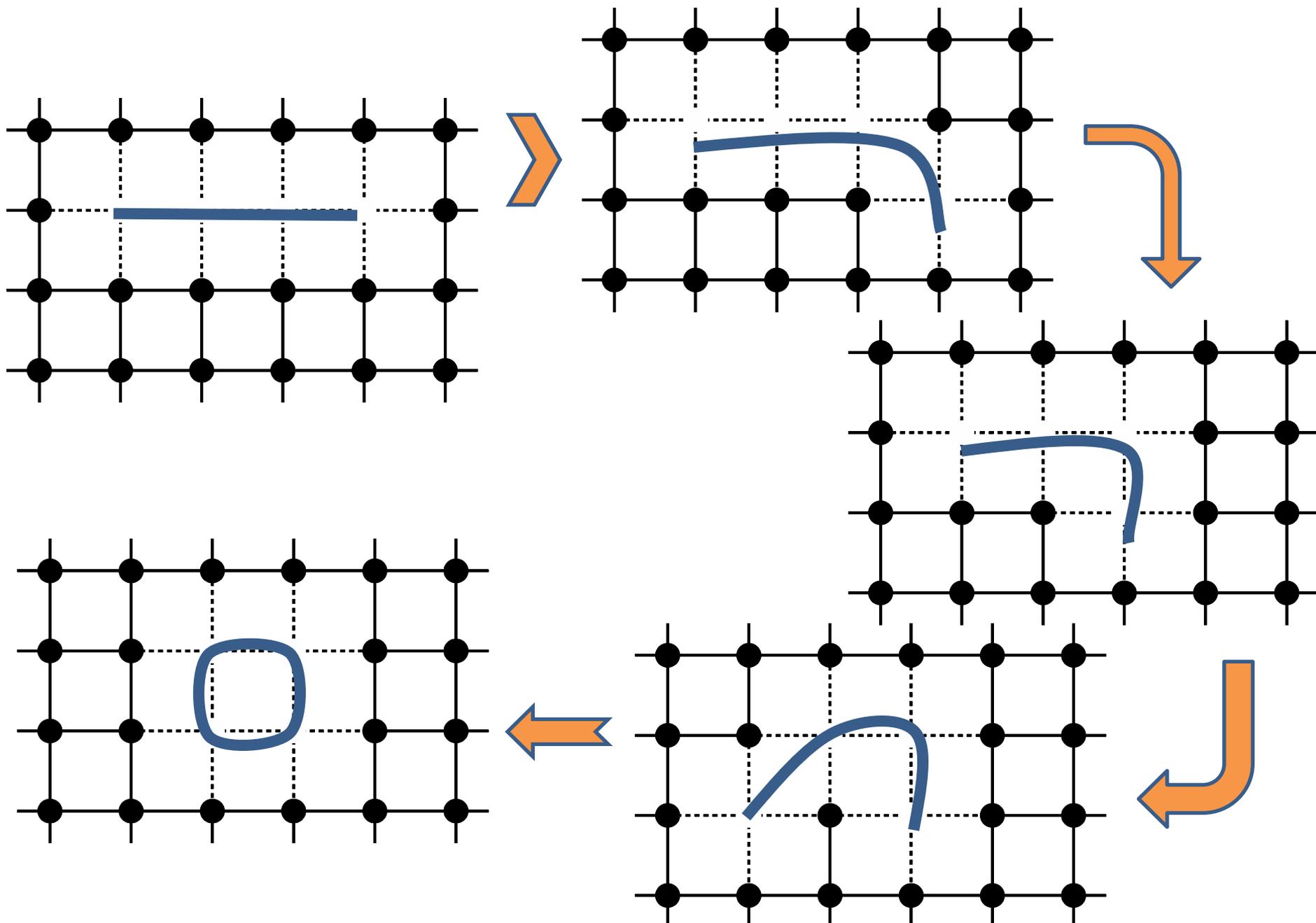


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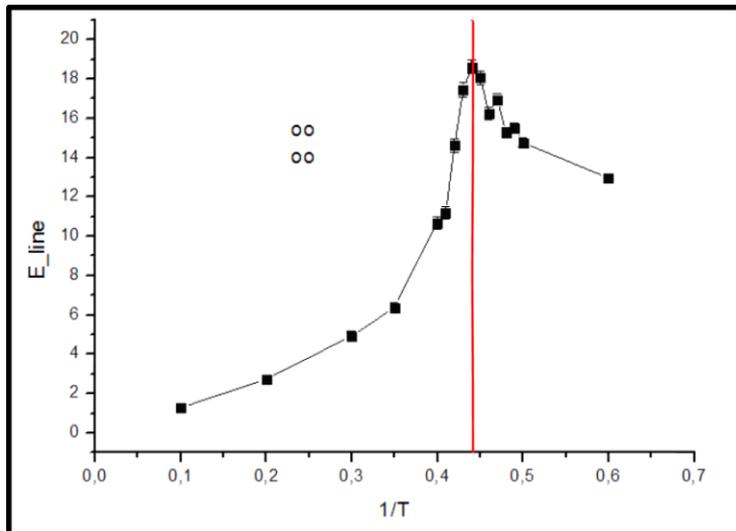
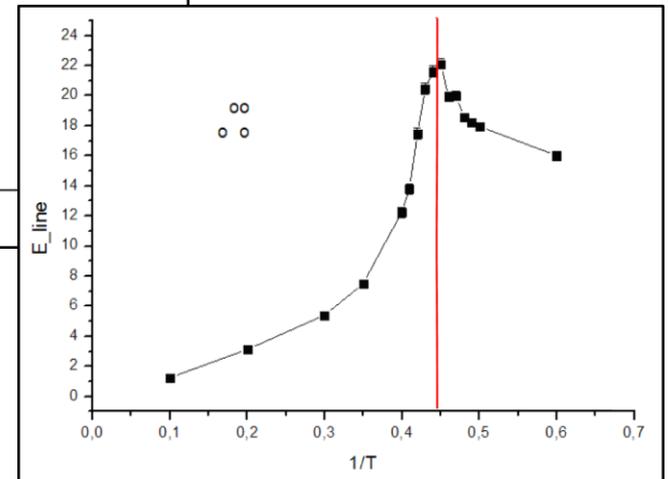
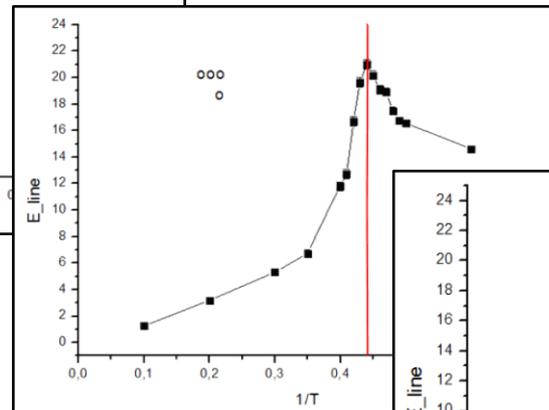
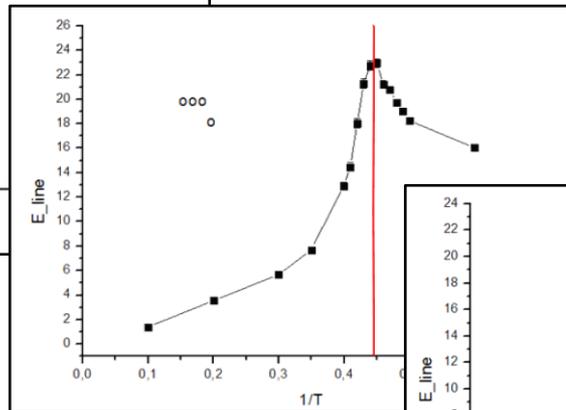
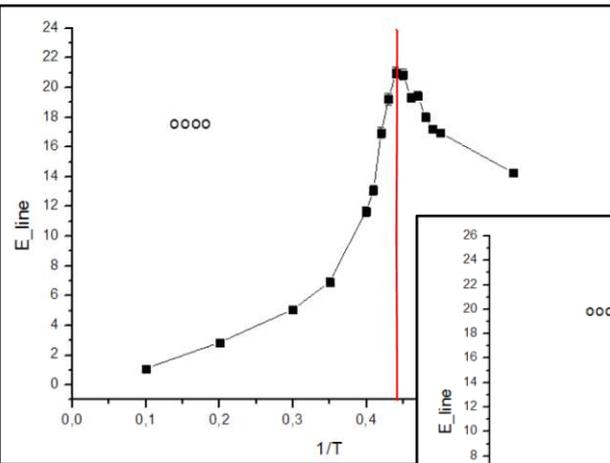
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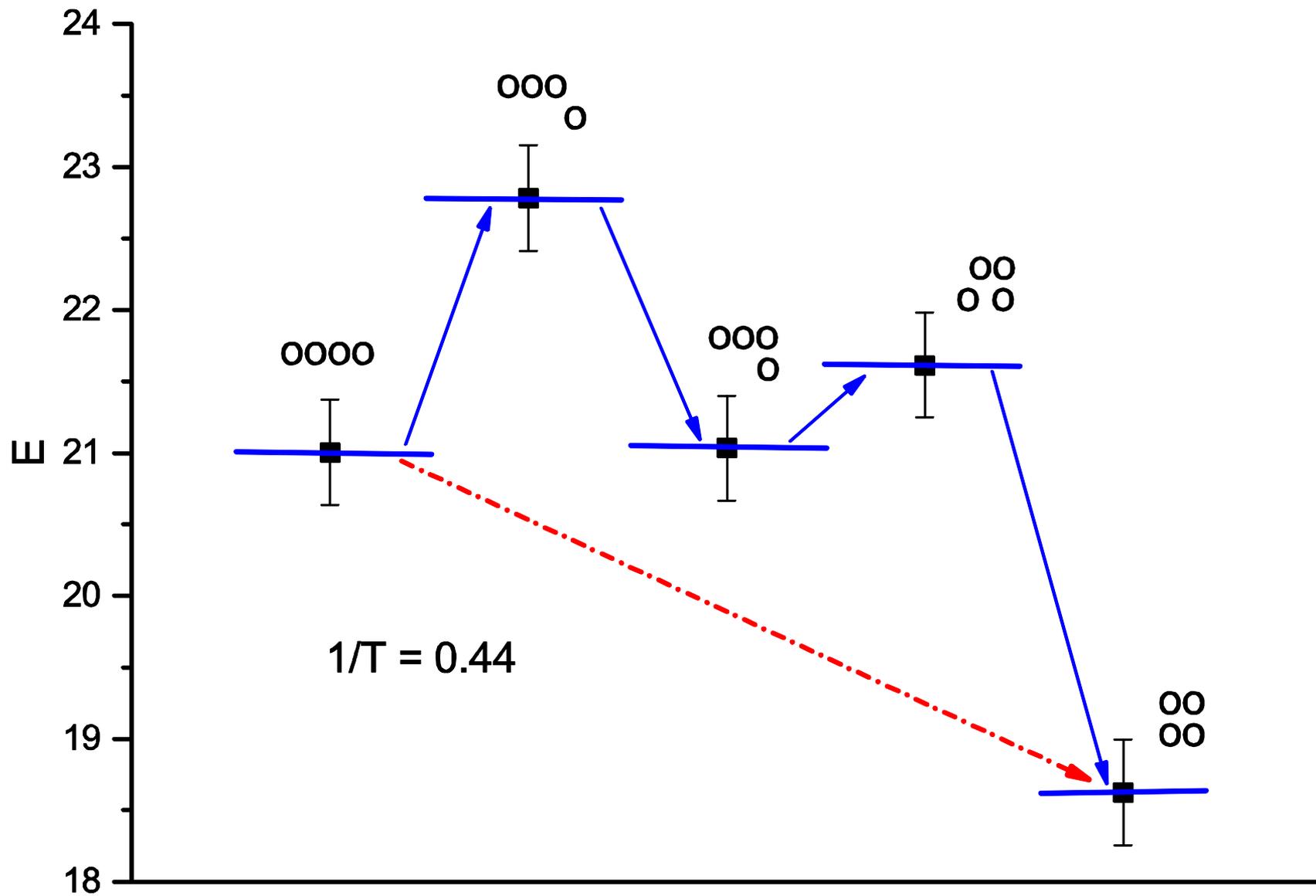


Simple example: collapse of 4 defects line

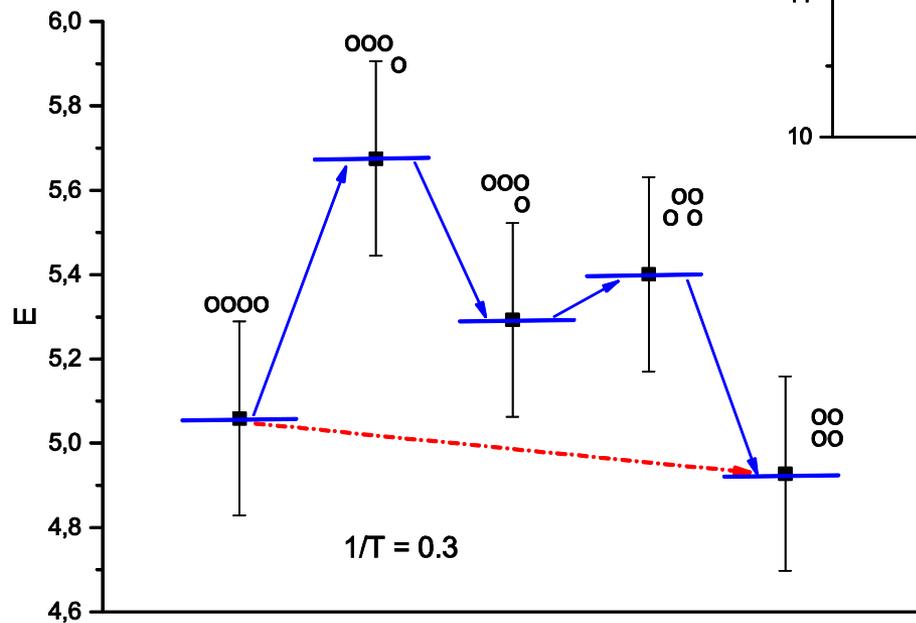
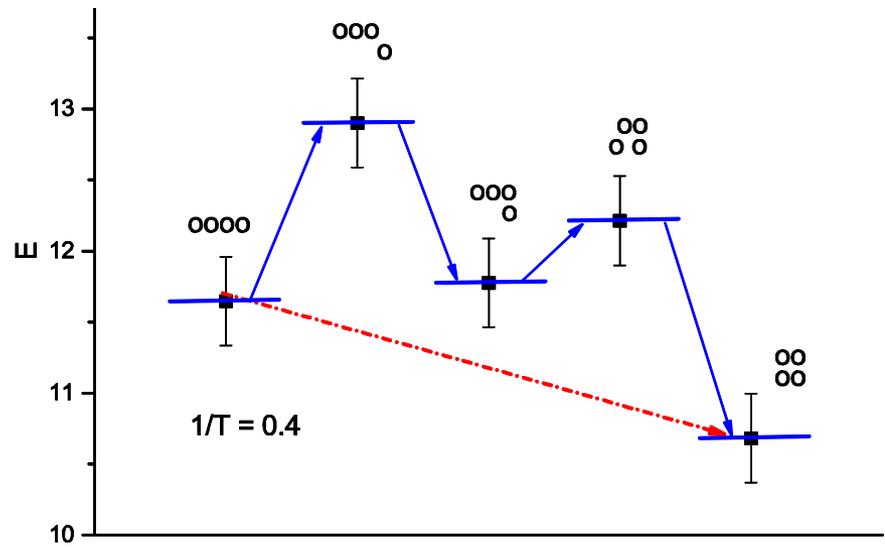


Defects aggregation - small line

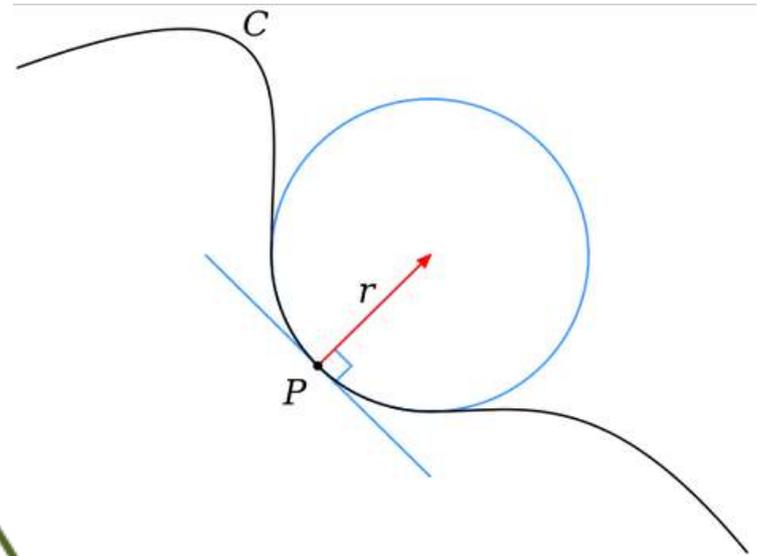
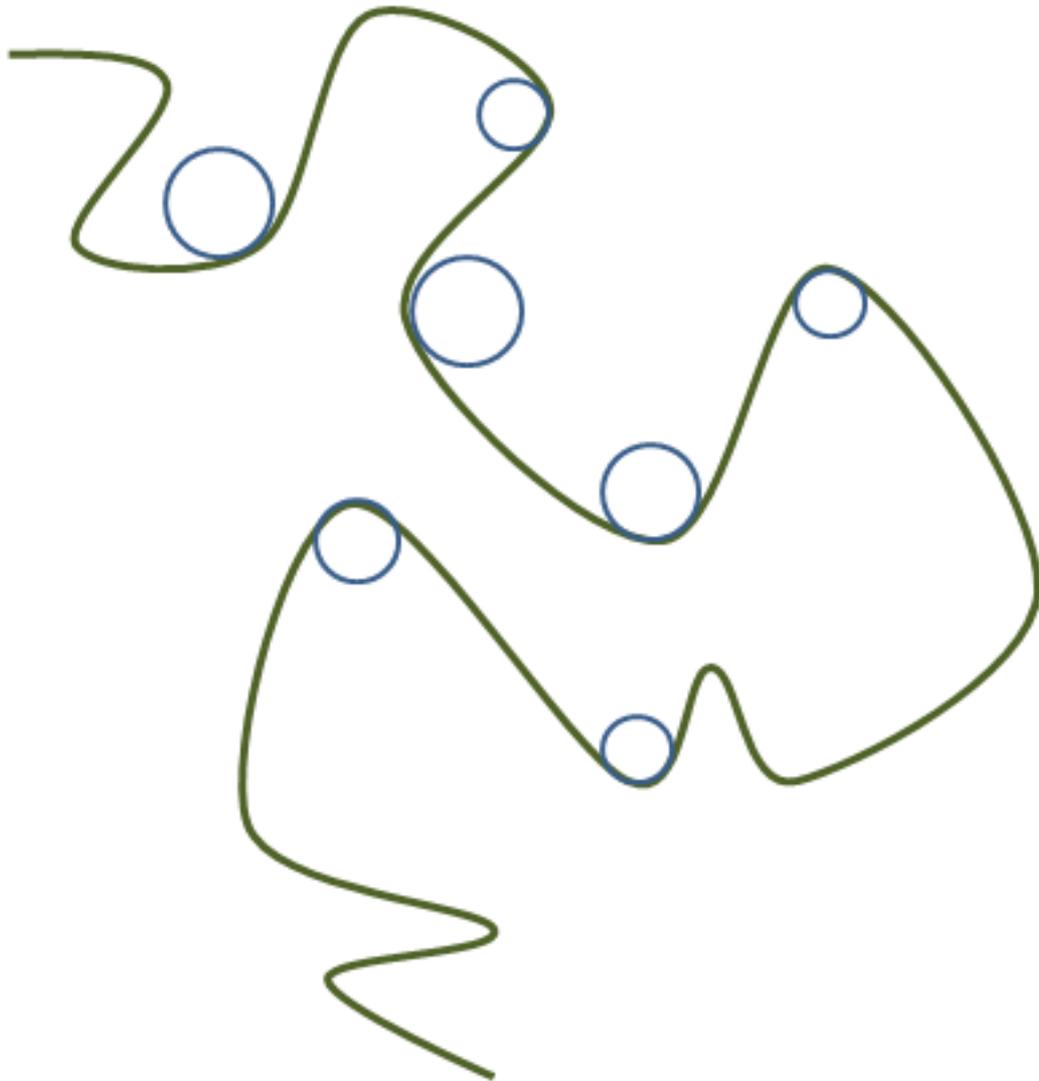


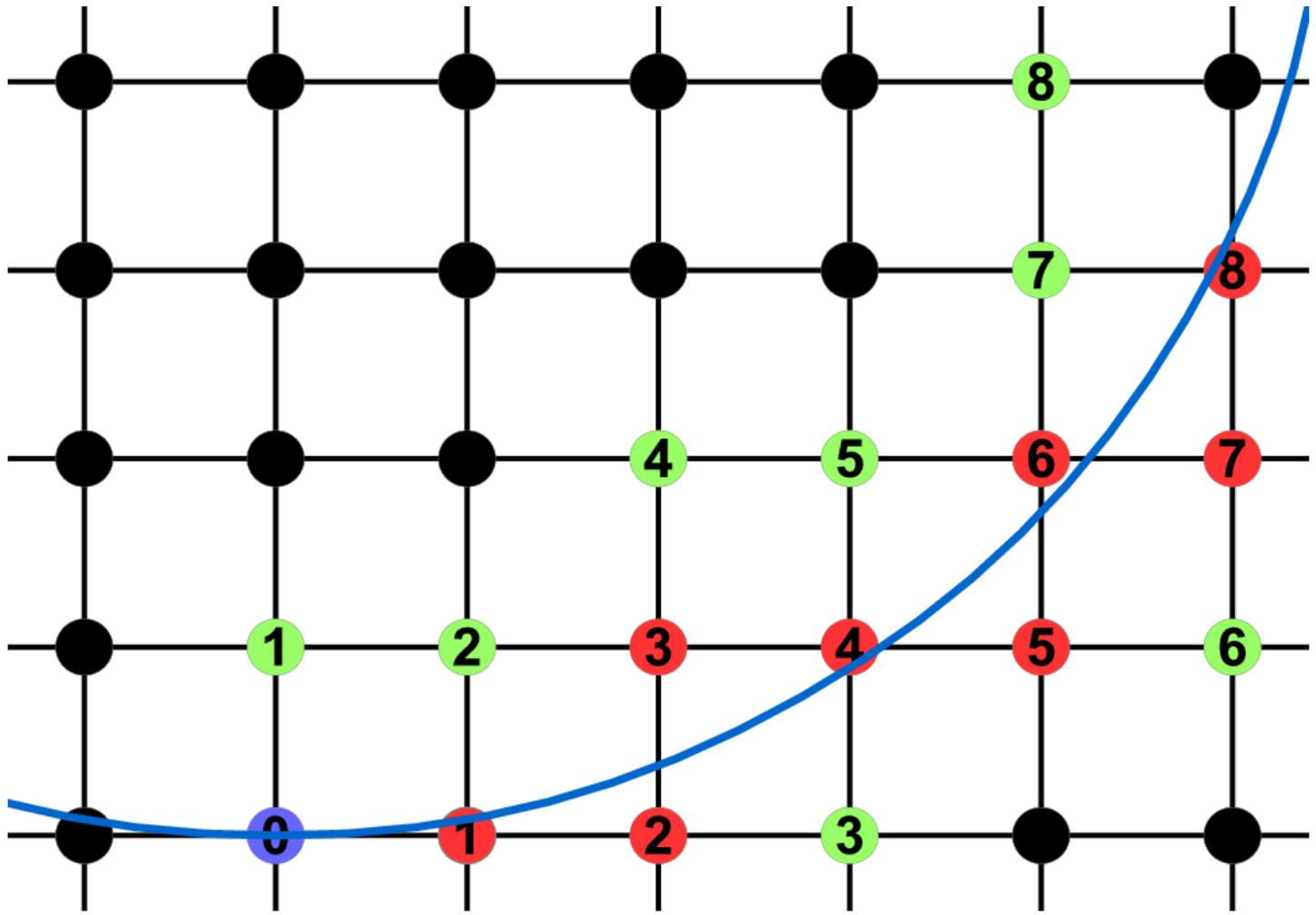


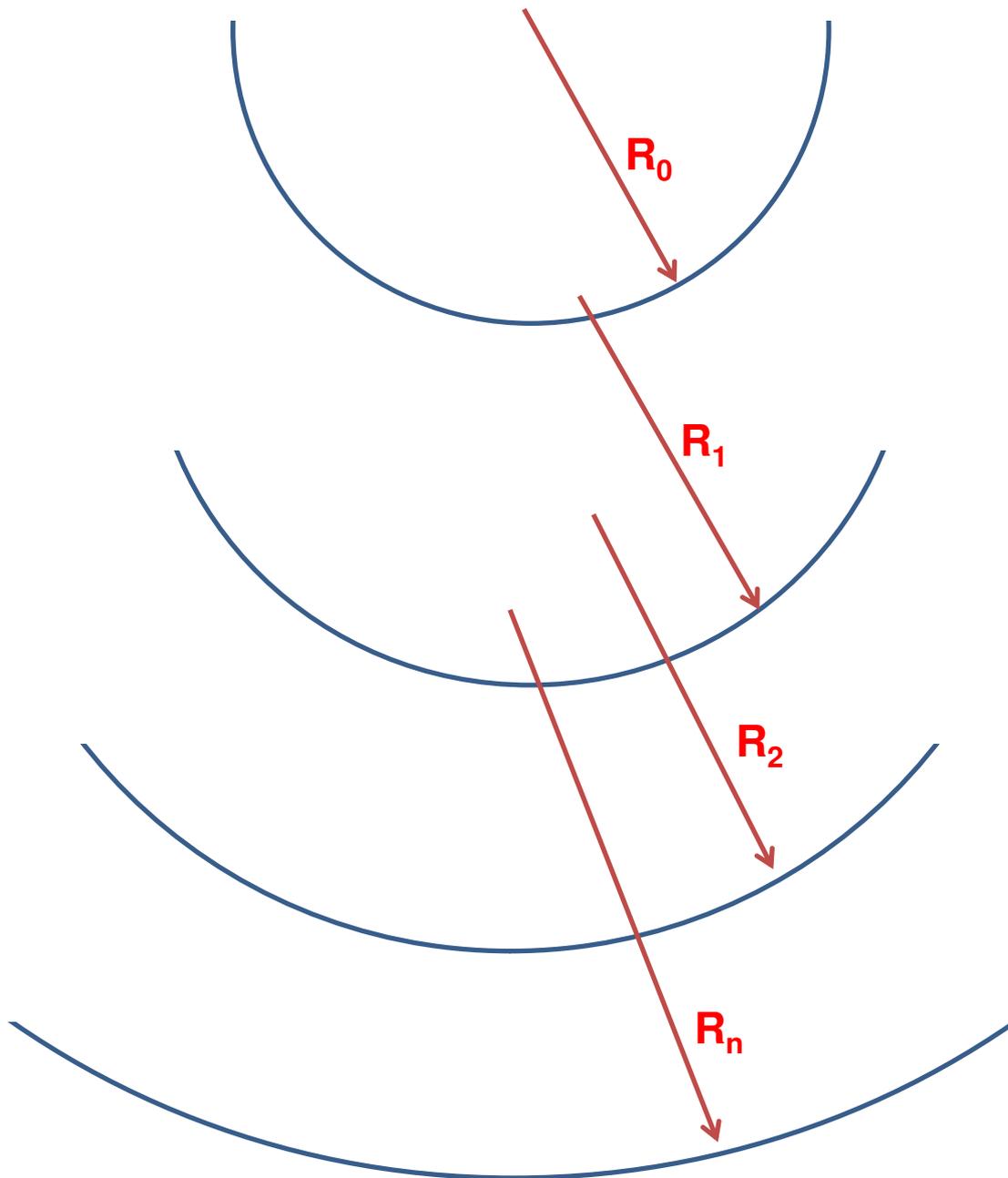
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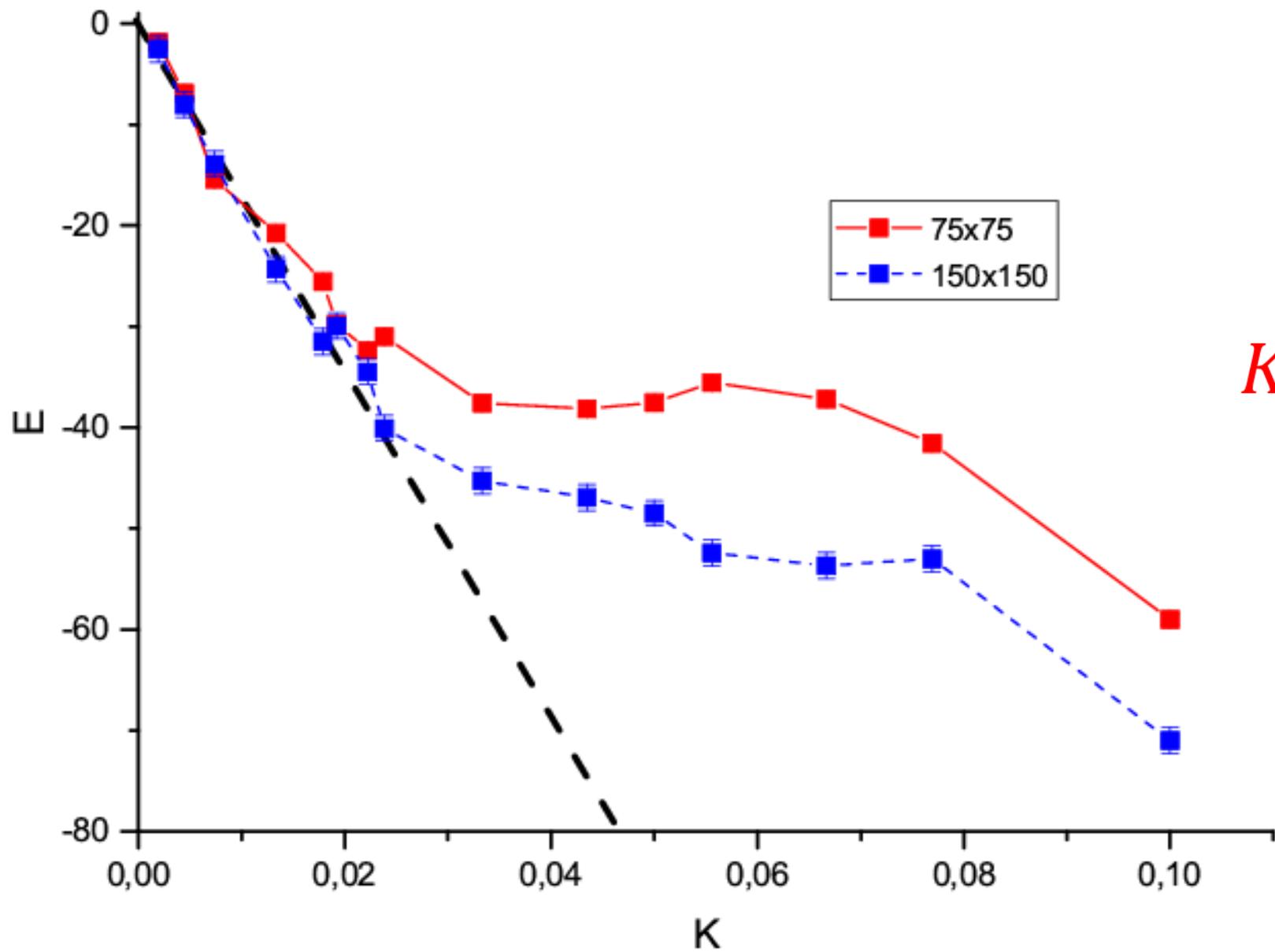


Elasticity of defect curves

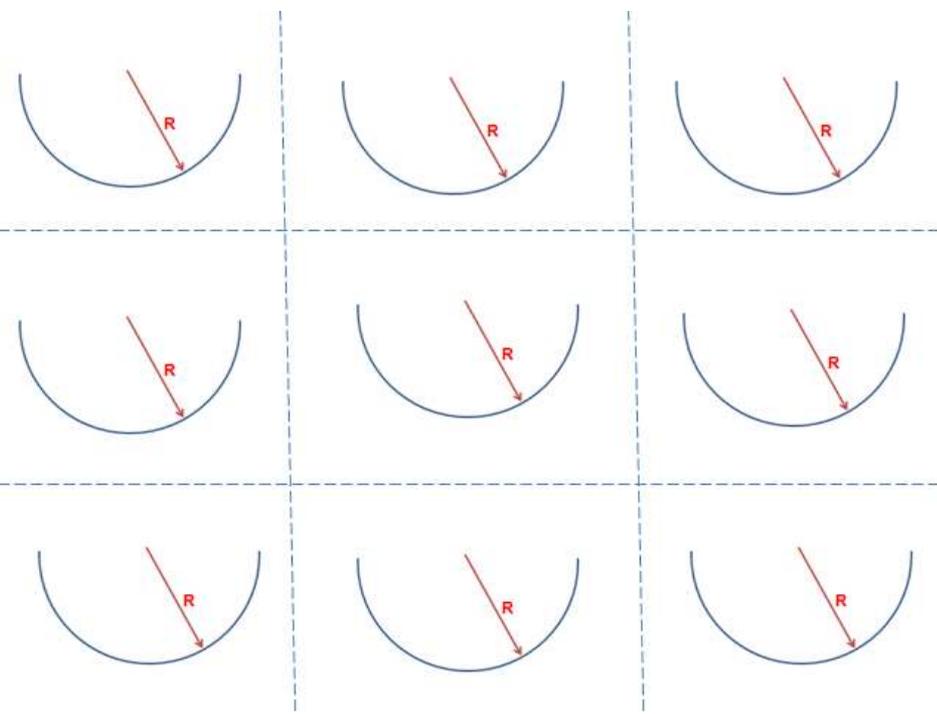
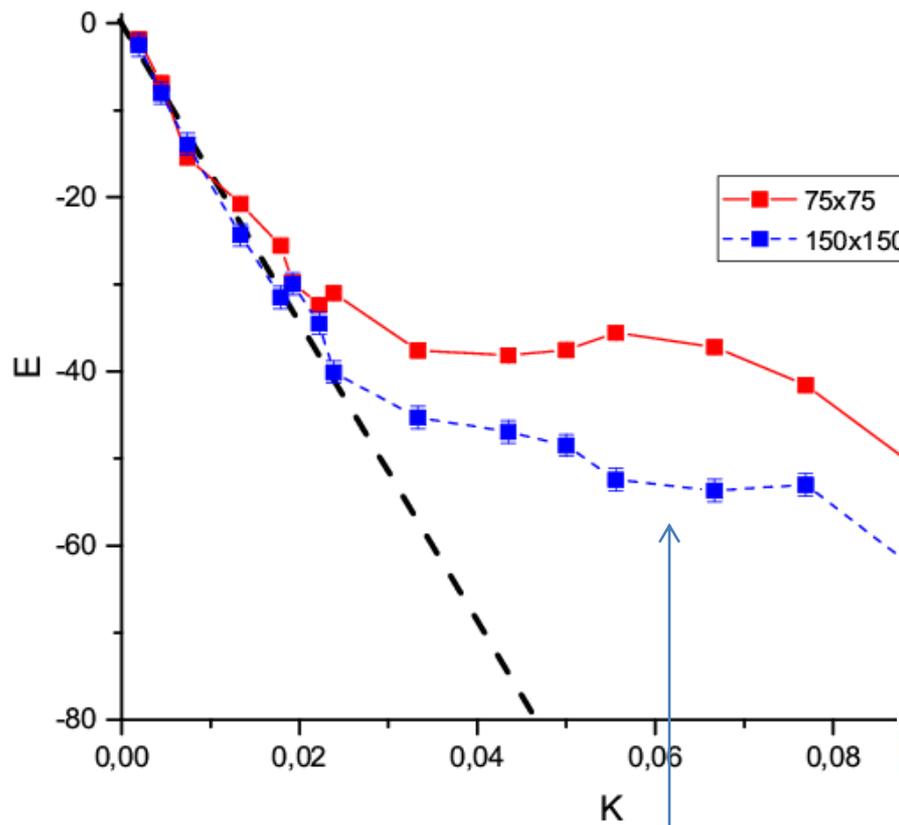


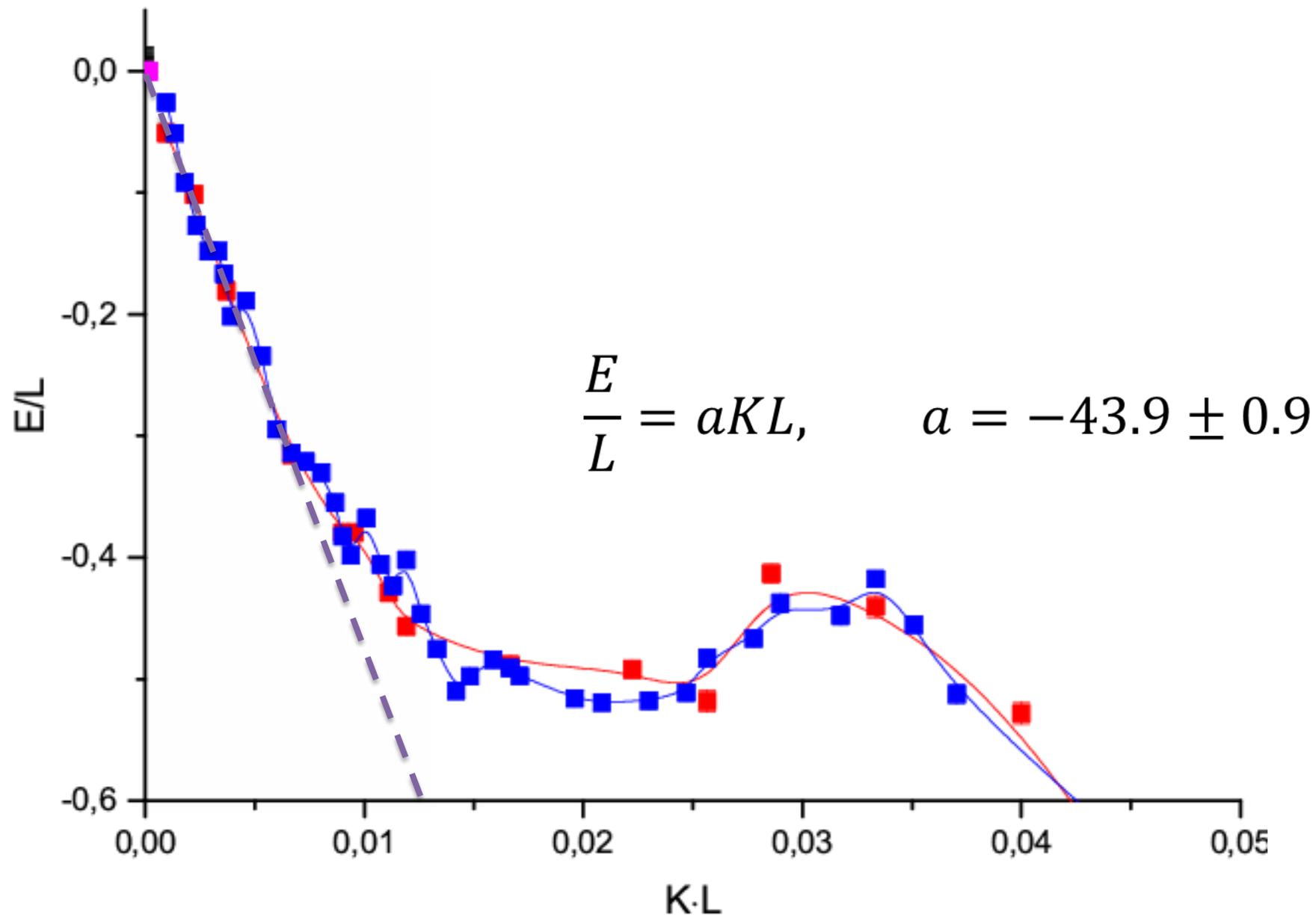




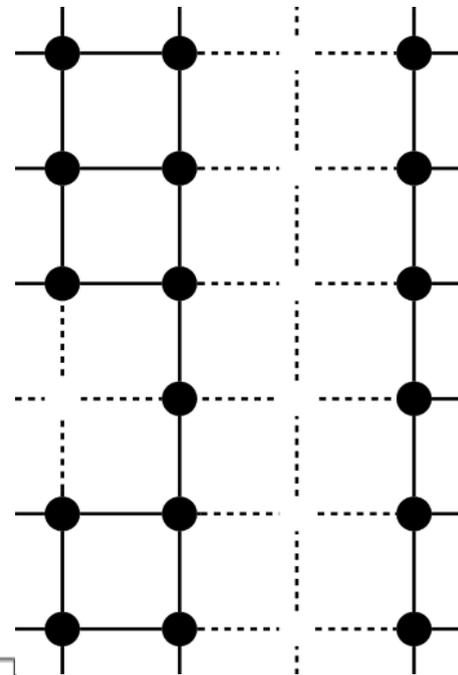
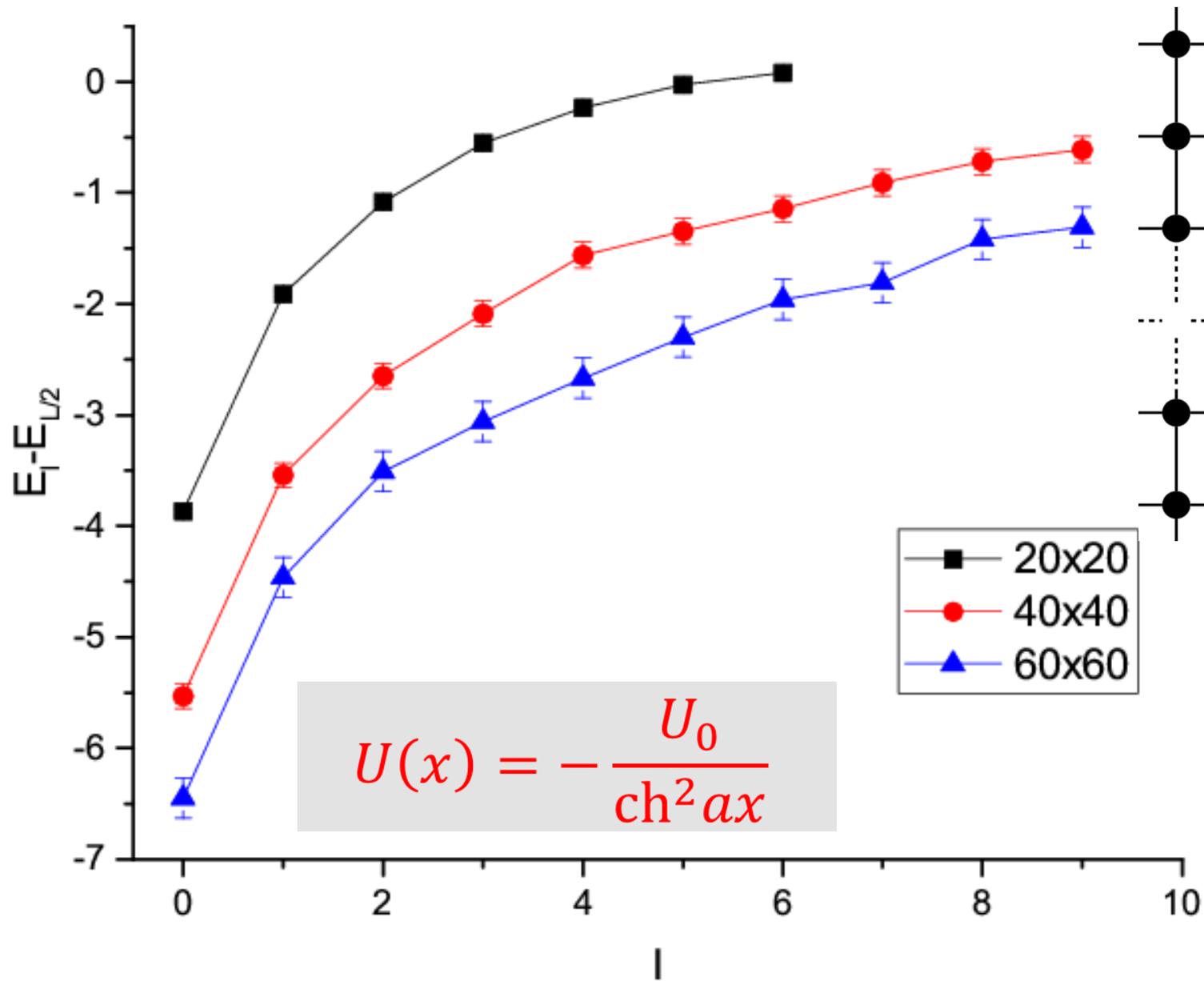


$$K = \frac{1}{R}$$



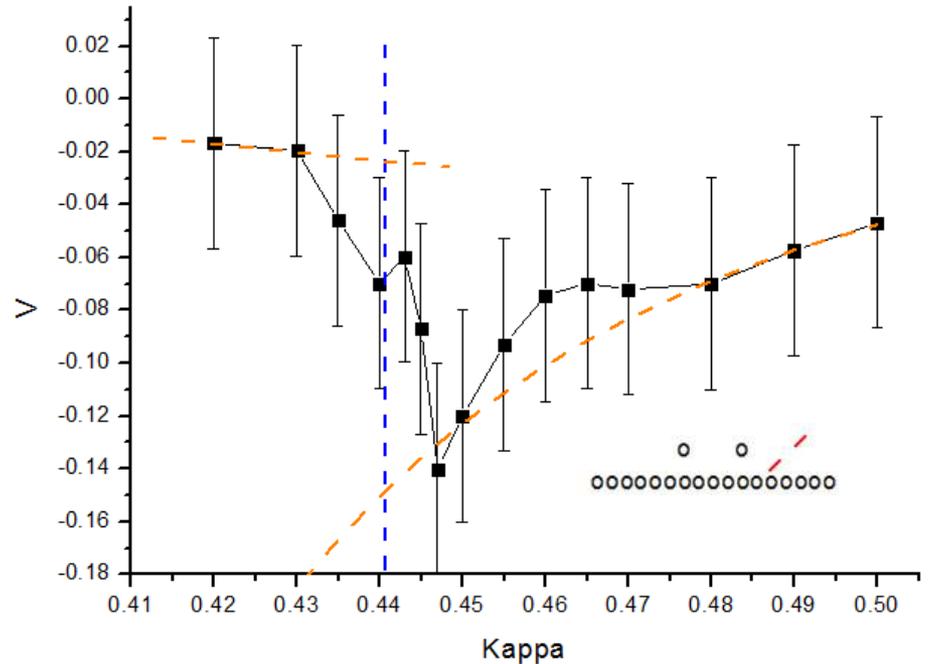
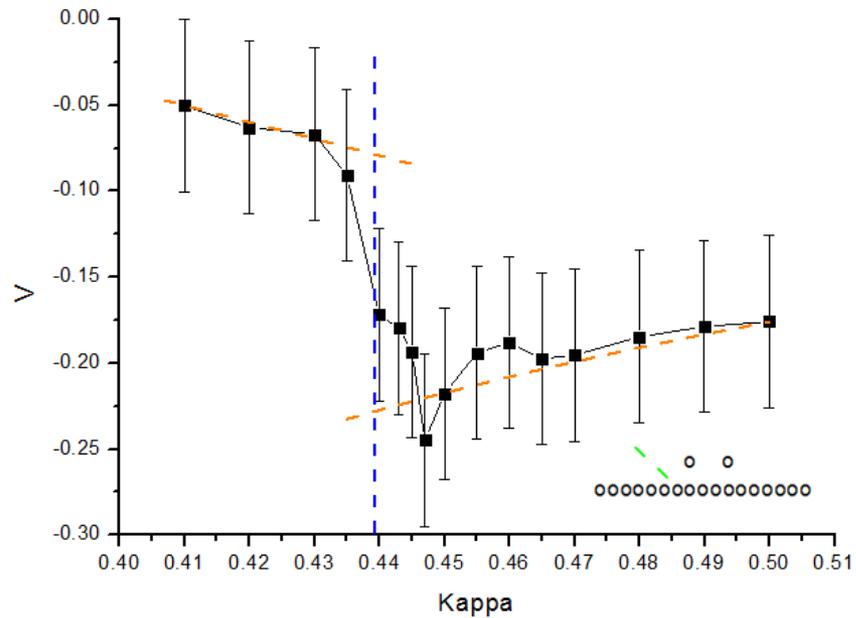
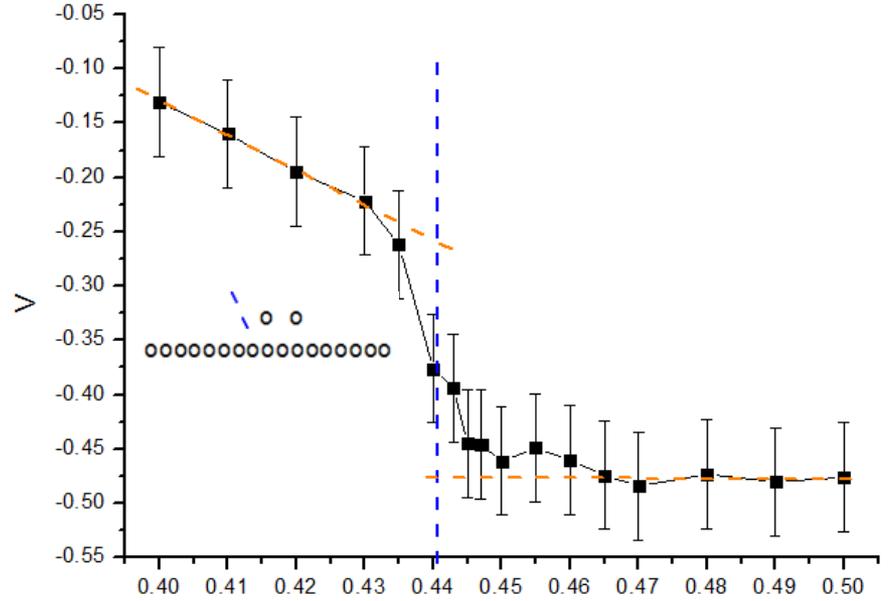
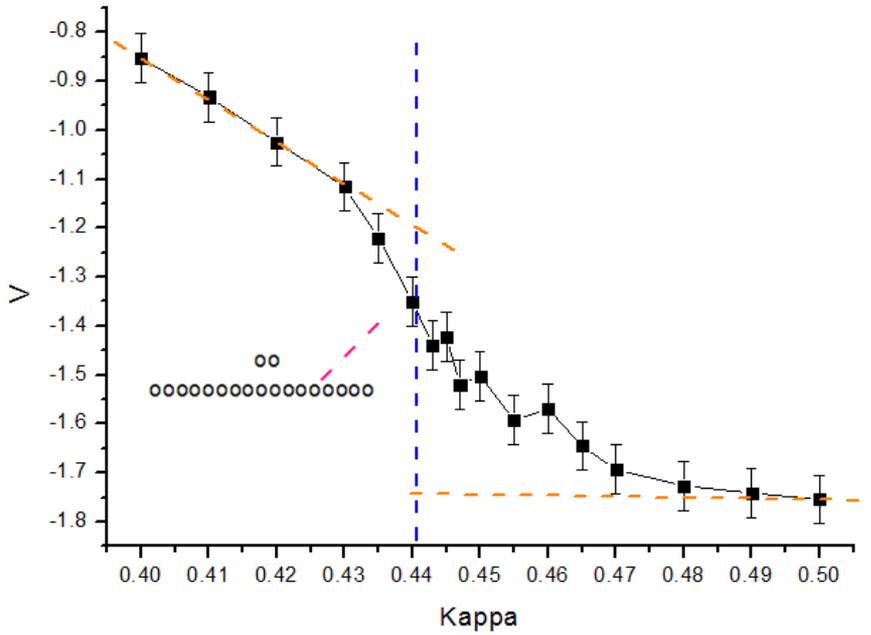


Defect Confinement on Defect line



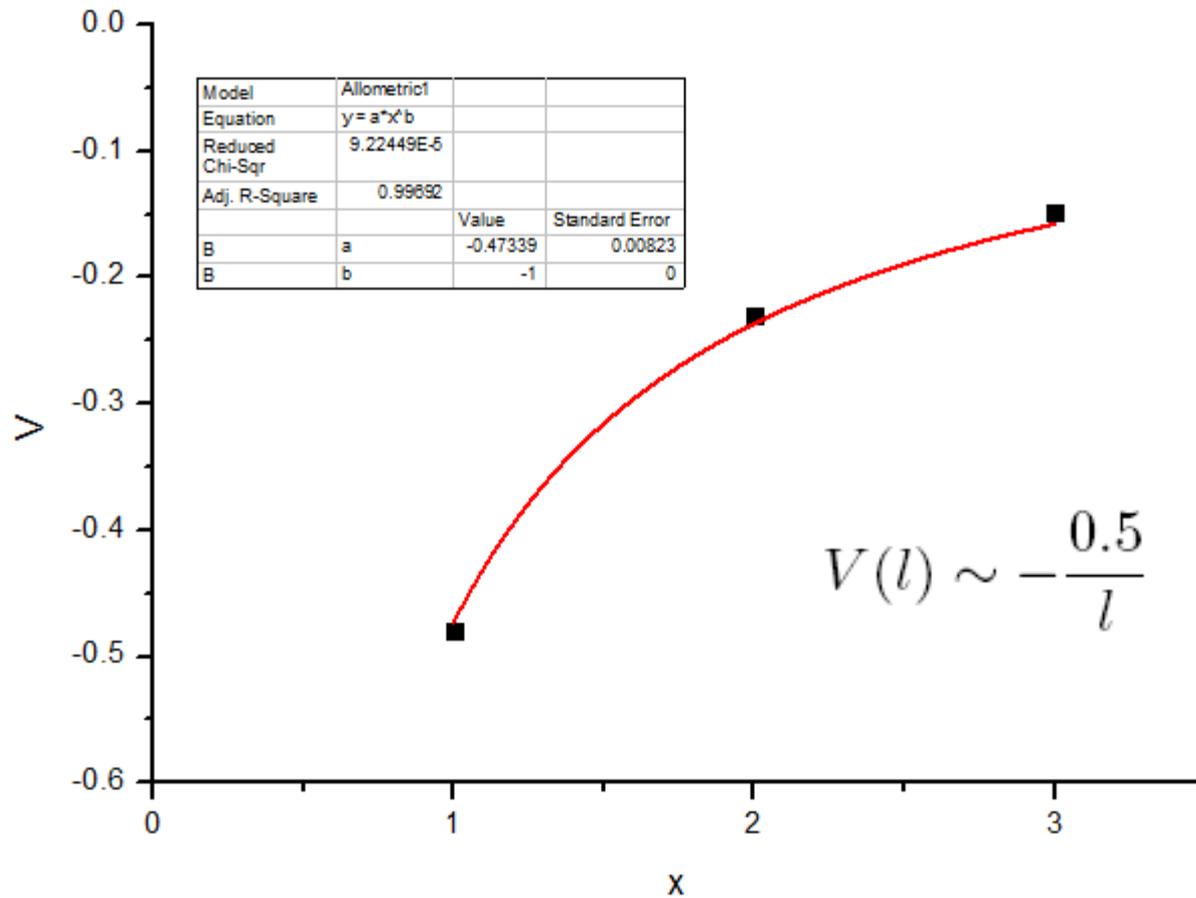
Two Defects on the defect line

Two defects on the defect line



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Interaction potential

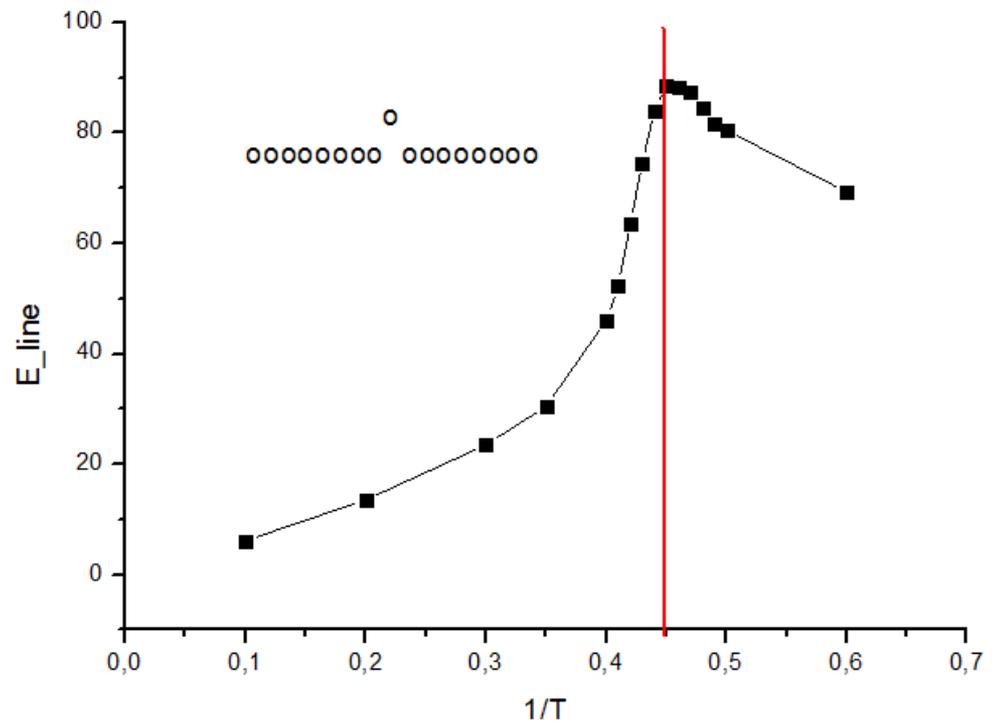
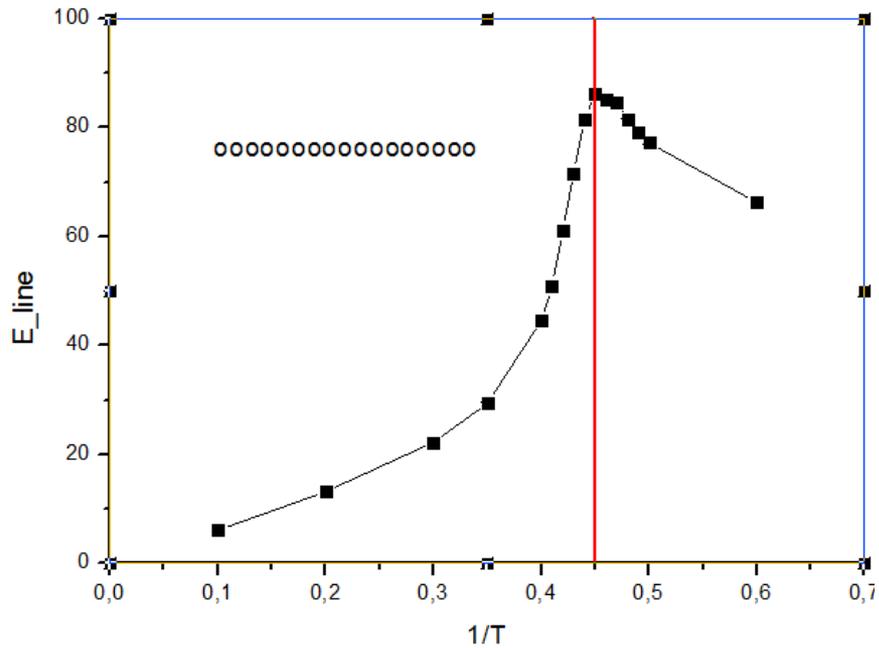


Defect – Anti-Defect pair creation

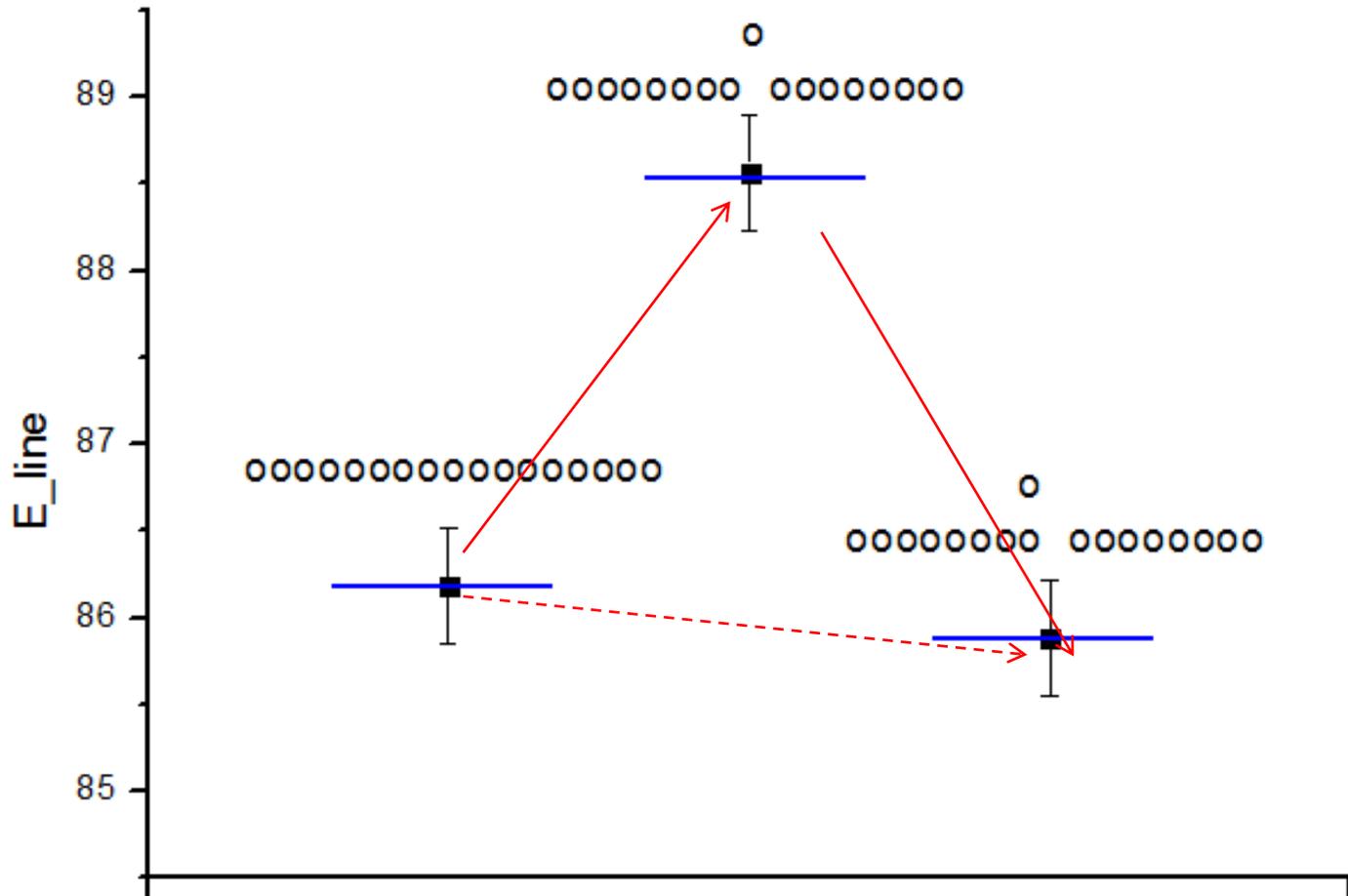


Defects aggregation - global line.

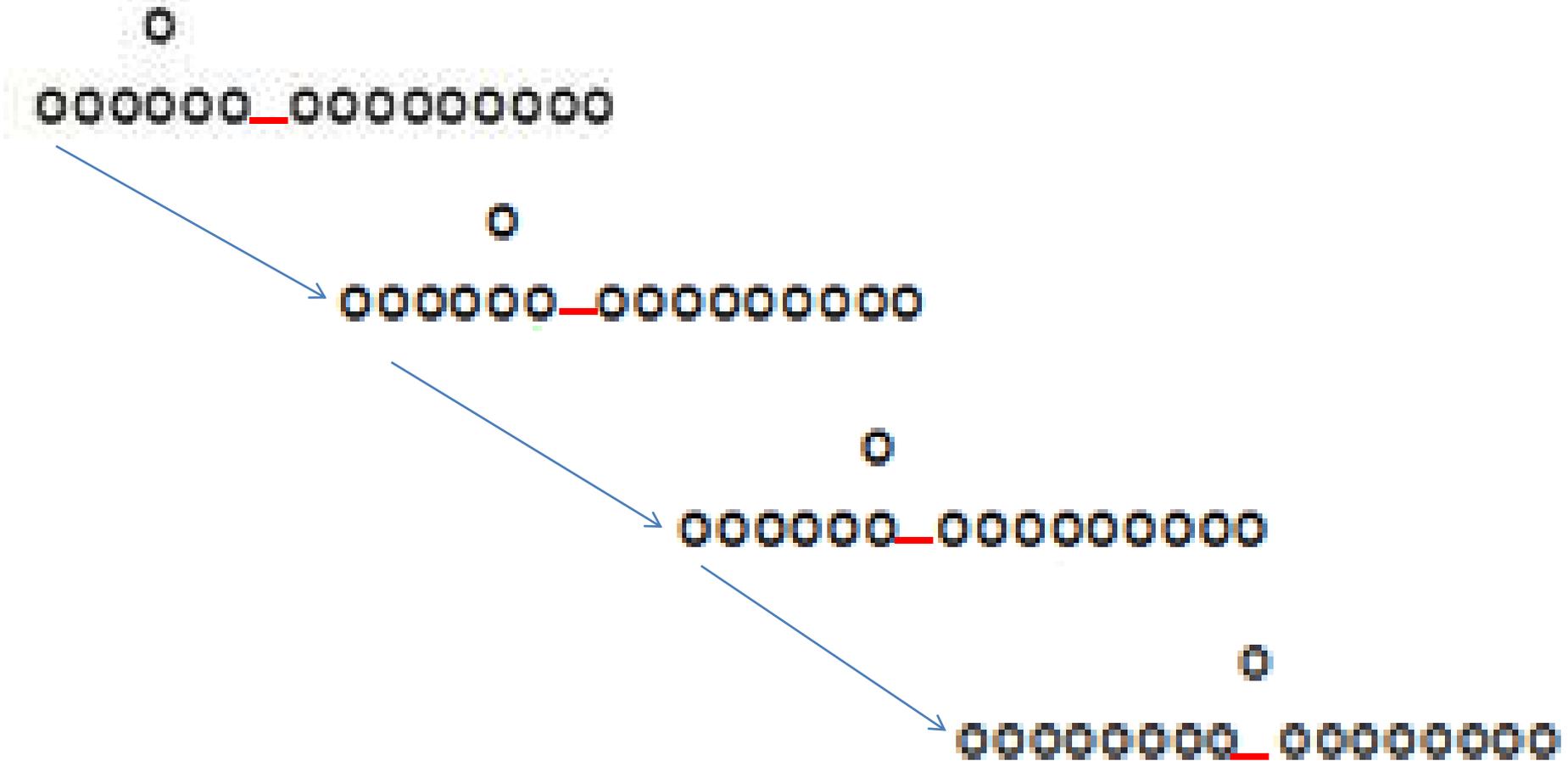
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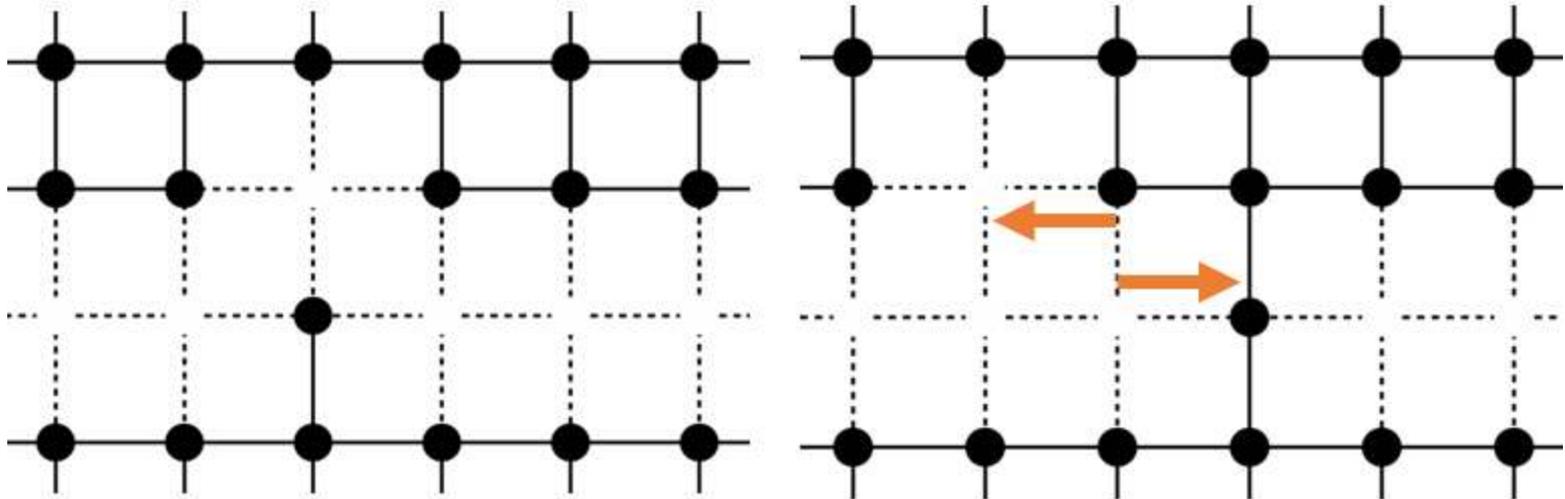
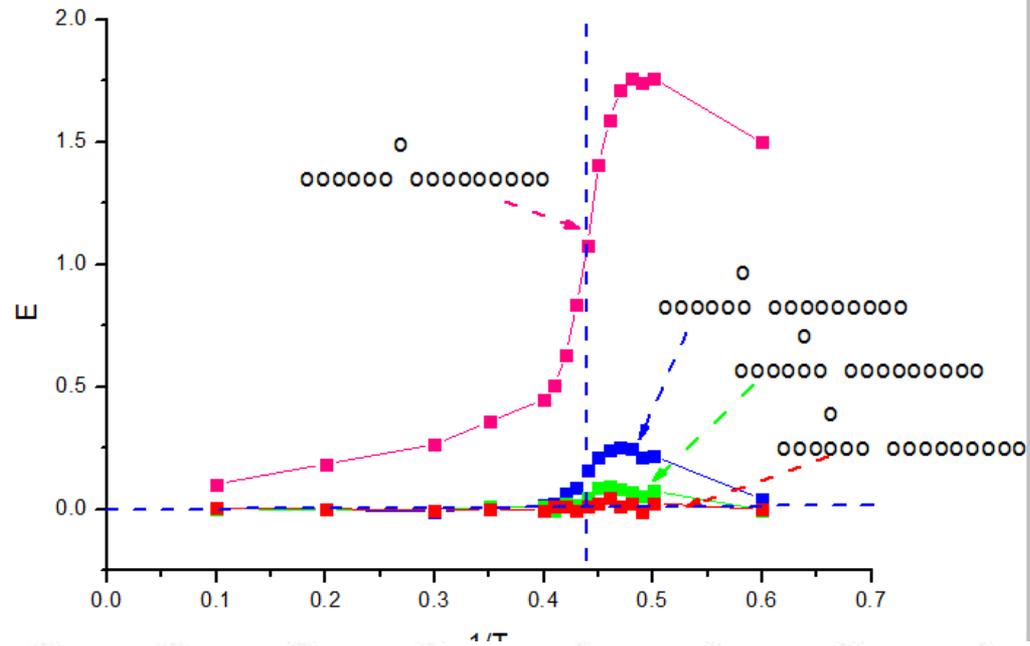
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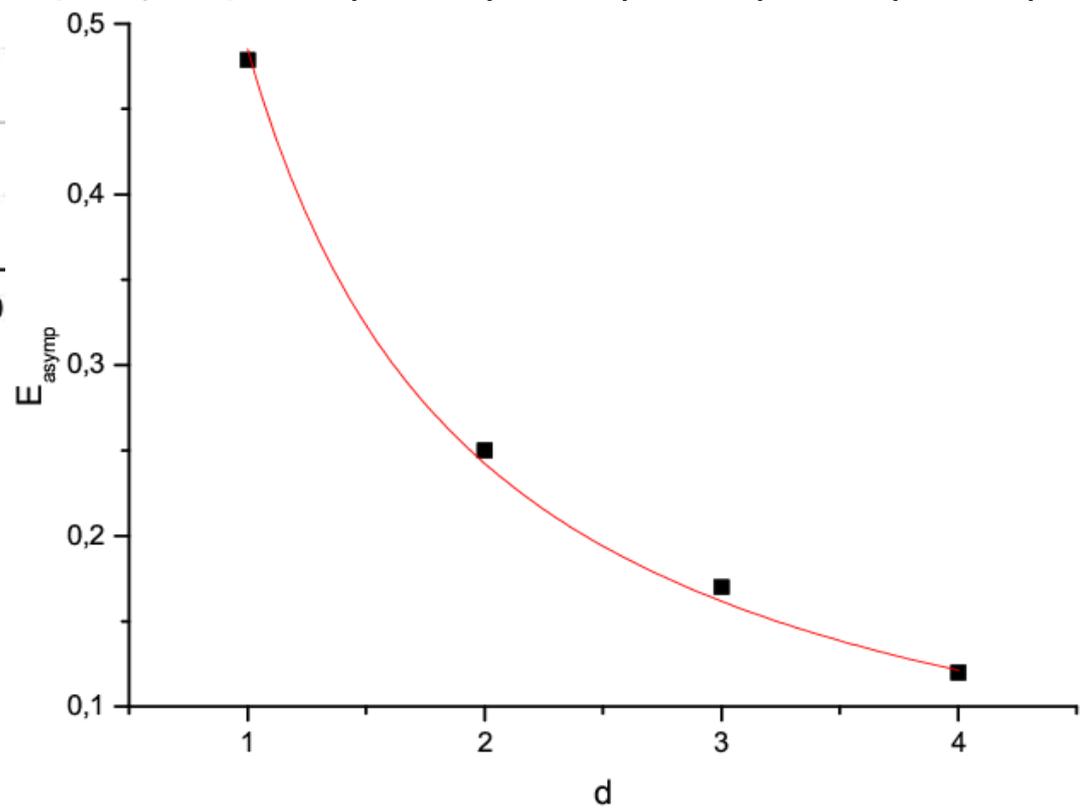
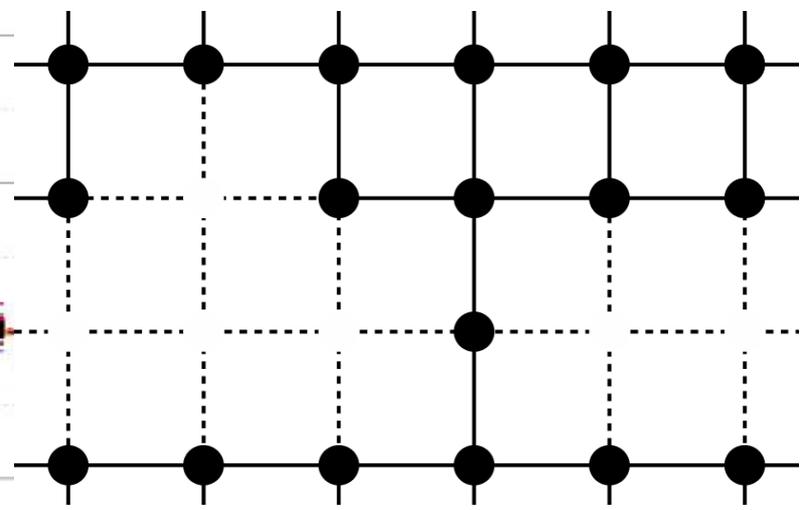
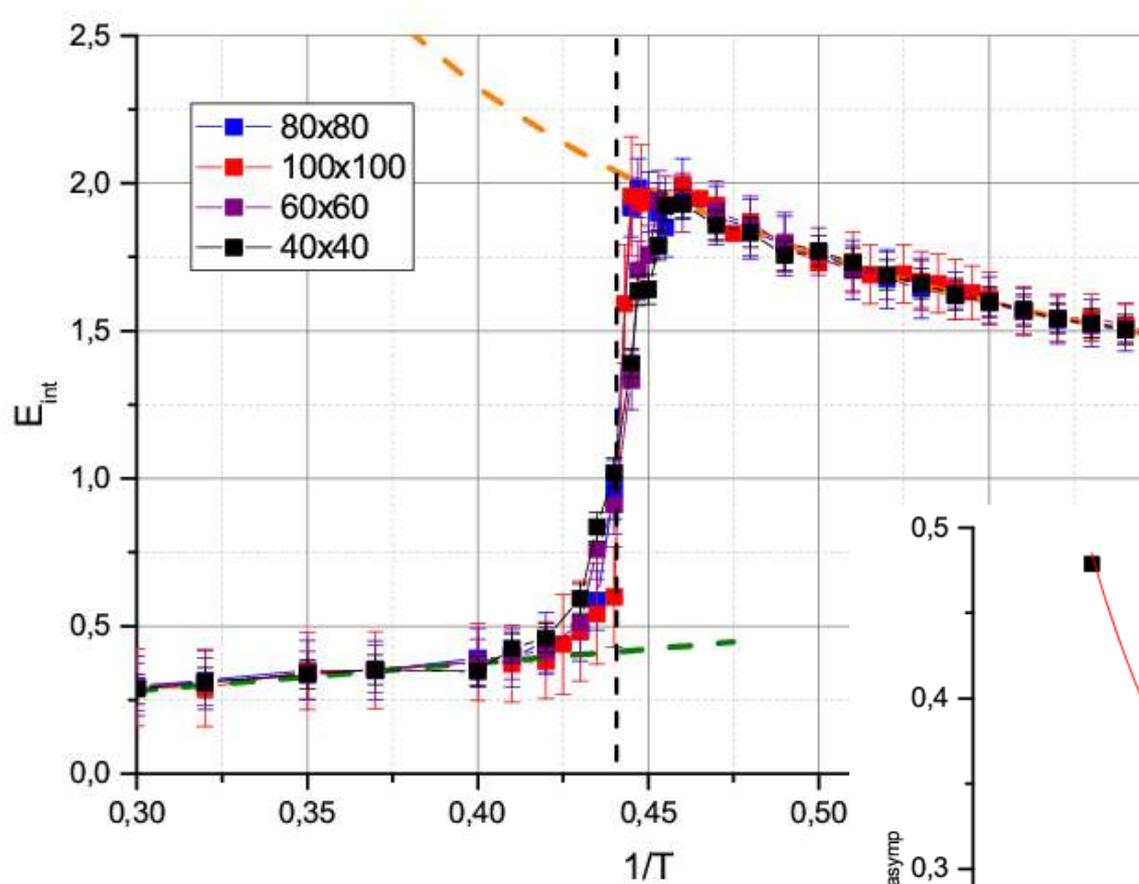


Defect – Anti-Defect interaction



Def – AntiDef on the def line. Repulsion





$$V(d) = ad^{-1},$$

$$a = 0.485 \pm 0.0006$$

Conclusions:

1. The critical Casimir effect - a common phenomenon associated with the long-range correlations in stat. models at critical point, and as a result of long-range forces between defects.
2. The attraction of the Casimir interaction is not always destructive, it can lead to a collective phenomenon of self-organization.
3. Numerous applications in physics, chemistry, biology, economics, etc.