

# Exploration of Efficient Neural Network for Path Optimization Method arXiv:2109.11710, 220X.XXXXX

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[In memory of Taniguchi-san]

- I have 36 papers with Taniguchi-san
- Taniguchi-san and I are core members of an open source code for lattice QCD "Bridge++" : now I maintain Taniguchi-san's codes



Bridge++ party at Irish pub  
(Feb. 2019)

From left:  
(Namekawa's hand), Aoyama-san,  
Matsufuru-san, Taniguchi-san  
[photo by Kanaya-san]



# 1 Main message

- For path optimization in a gauge theory,  
"it is efficient to employ a neural network which respects the gauge symmetry"

ex. gauge invariant input / gauge covariant neural network

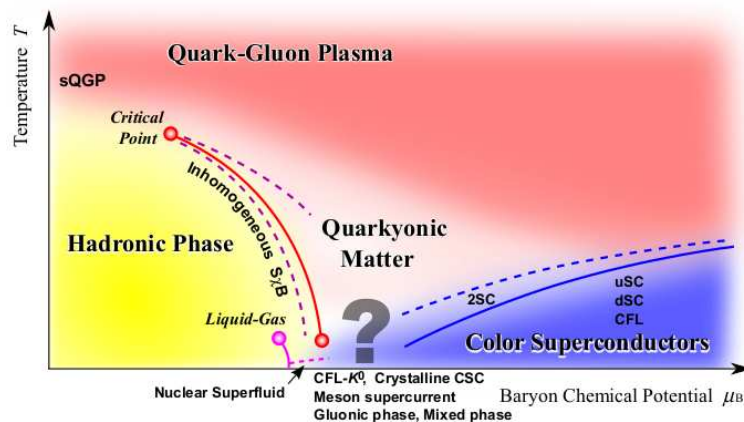
cf. similar idea is used as a part of gauge equivariant convolutional neural network [T.Cohen et al.\(2019\)](#); [Favoni et al.\(2020\)](#)

◇ Gauge variant neural network works but costs a lot

## 2 Motivation

- QCD at high density has been investigated only by Complex Langevin Method (CLM) [Sexty\(2013\),...,YN et al.\(2021\)](#) due to sign problem  
← Action becomes complex at  $\mu \neq 0$ , which prohibits Monte Carlo simulation using probability weight  $P = e^{-S}$
- CLM can not cover the whole phase diagram of QCD due to validity condition of CLM  
→ Alternative approach is needed

◇ See next page



[Fukushima,Hatsuda\(2011\)](#)

## [Several methods to overcome sign problem]

- Complex Langevin method [Parisi\(1983\),Klauder\(1984\),...](#)
  - [ Low cost, generally work only in limited parameter region
  - Revived by clarifying correctness criterion [Aarts et al.\(2009\)](#), [Nishimura,Shimasaki\(2015\)](#)
  - Calculated equation of state of QCD at finite density [Sexty\(2019\)](#), [Attanasio et al.\(2022\)](#) → cf. [Itou-san's talk on 9/22](#) ]
- Lefschetz thimble method [Witten\(2010\),Cristoforetti et al.\(2012\),Fujii et al.\(2013\),Alexandru et al.\(2015\),...](#)
  - [ Middle cost, difficult to resolve sign and ergodicity problems simultaneously
  - ◇ Tempered Lefschetz thimble method [Fukuma,Umeda\(2017\),...](#)
    - [ Middle cost, resolve sign and ergodicity problems simultaneously ]
  - ◇ Worldvolume Hybrid Monte Carlo(WV-HMC) method [Fukuma,Matsumoto\(2020\),...](#)
    - [ Low cost, resolve sign and ergodicity problems simultaneously ]
    - [See Fukuma-san's talk@Lattice2022\(Aug. 8th, 2022\)](#)
- Path optimization method [Mori,Kashiwa,Ohnishi\(2017\),...](#)
  - [ Middle cost, find optimized path by machine learning, deal with ergodicity problem by tempering ]
- Tensor network [Levin,Nave\(2007\),...](#)
  - [ High cost → [See talks on 9/21](#) ]

[Path optimization method(POM)] Mori et al.(2017),Alexandru et al.(2018),Bursa,Kroyter(2018),...

- POM is a method which complexifies dynamical variables and deforms the integration path using machine learning to minimize sign problem
- POM has been successful in models with small redundant degrees of freedom, but is not efficient with large gauge degrees of freedom
  - ◇ One solution is gauge fixing but costs a lot Mori et al.(2019),...
  - ◇ We found gauge invariant input / gauge covariant neural network works well
    - This talk

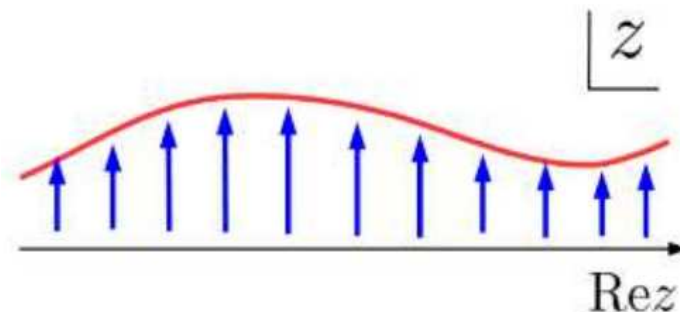
NB. Cauchy's integral theorem ensures the following equality

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle := \frac{1}{Z} \int_R DU \mathcal{O} e^{-S[U]} = \frac{1}{Z} \int_C DU \mathcal{O} e^{-S[U]}$$

$\mathcal{O}$  : observable,  $Z$  : partition func,  $S$  : action,  $U$  : link variable

$$U_{x,\mu} := e^{igA_\mu(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_{x,\mu} = e^{-g\text{Im}\mathcal{A}_\mu(x)} e^{ig\text{Re}\mathcal{A}_\mu(x)}$$

$$A_\mu(x) \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_\mu(x) \in \mathbb{C} \quad \text{determined by machine learning}$$



## Path optimization

Ohnishi(2017)

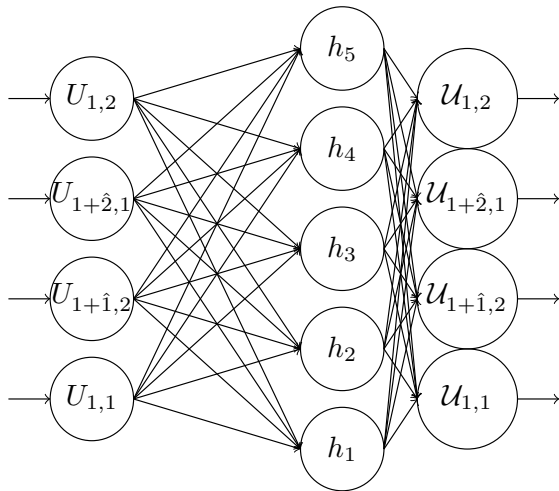
# [Gauge variant neural network]



- Machine learning chooses best path which enhances phase factor

$$e^{i\theta} := J e^{-S} / |J e^{-S}|, \quad J := \det(\partial \mathcal{U} / \partial U)$$

- ◇ Averaged phase factor  $|\langle \exp(i\theta) \rangle|$  is an indicator of sign problem:  
 $|\langle \exp(i\theta) \rangle| = 1$  for mild,  $|\langle \exp(i\theta) \rangle| = 0$  for severe



$$\text{Input layer : } t_i = U_{x,\mu}$$

$$\text{Hidden layer : } h_j = F(w_{ji}^{(1)} t_i + b_j)$$

$$\text{Output layer : } z_n = \omega_n F(w_{nj}^{(2)} h_j + b_n)$$

$w, b, \omega :=$  parameters of neural network

$F(x) := \tanh(x)$ , activation func

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{cost}}(t) := |Z| \left( |\langle e^{i\theta(t)} \rangle_{\text{pq}}|^{-1} - 1 \right), \quad \text{pq : phase quenched}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{pq}} := \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}U \left[ \mathcal{O} |J e^{-S}| \right]_{U \in \mathcal{C}}$$

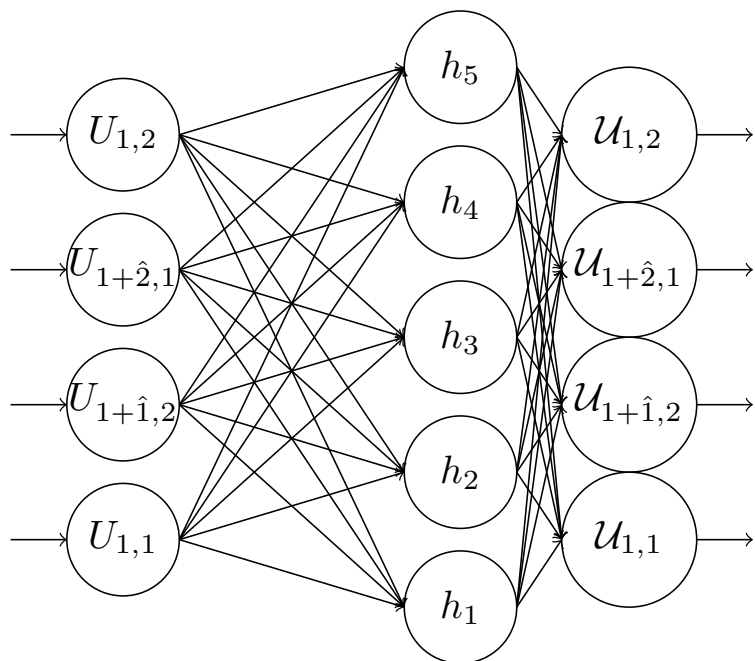
# [Gauge invariant neural network] YN et al.(2021)

$$\underbrace{U_{x,\mu} \rightarrow P_{x,\mu\nu}}_{\text{input layer}} \rightarrow \text{hidden layer} \rightarrow \underbrace{U_{x,\mu}}_{\text{output layer}}$$

- We adopt gauge invariant plaquette in the input layer

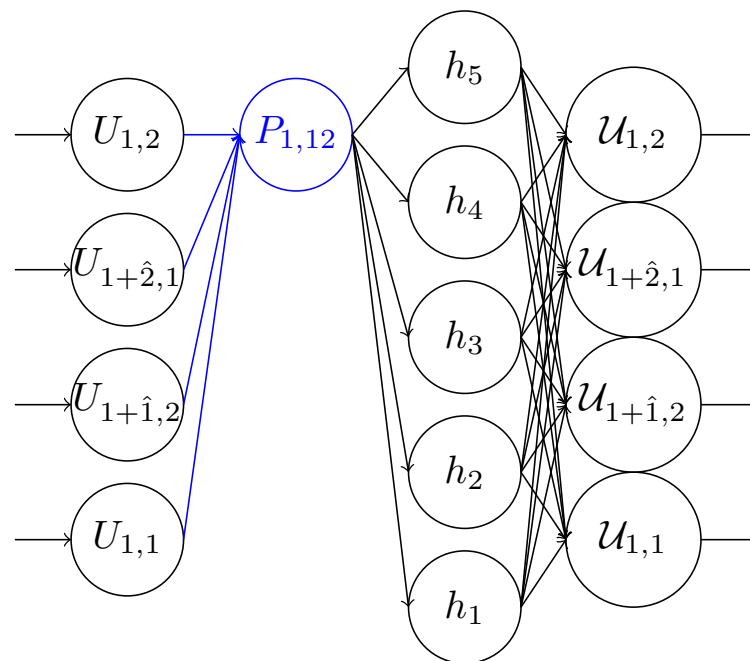
$$P_{x,12} := U_{x,1} U_{x+\hat{1},2} U_{x+\hat{2},1}^{-1} U_{x,2}^{-1}$$

- ◇ Similar idea is used as a part of gauge equivariant convolutional neural network T.Cohen et al.(2019); Favoni et al.(2020)



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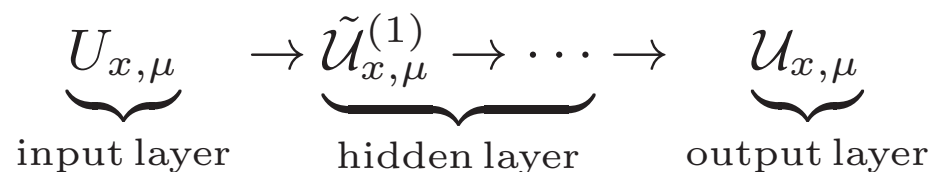


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# [Gauge covariant neural network] Tomiya,Nagai(2021)



$$\tilde{U}_{x,\mu}^{(l+1)} = \exp[iW_{x,\mu}^{(l)}] \tilde{U}_{x,\mu}^{(l)}, \quad W_{x,\mu}^{(l)} := \sum_{\nu \neq \mu} \left( \rho_+^{(l)} \mathcal{P}_{x,\mu\nu}^{(l)} + \rho_-^{(l)} \mathcal{P}_{x,\mu\nu}^{(l)-1} \right)$$

$\rho_{\pm}^{(l)}$  : parameters in neural network,  $(l)$  : number of smearing

- The hidden layer is constructed by Stout-like smearing, which is gauge covariant
- We use  $N_{\text{stout}} = 2$  in this work

# 3 Application to 2-dim $U(1)$ gauge theory

- Sign problem is originated from the complex coupling  $\beta = 1/(ga)^2 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
- Analytic result has been obtained  
→ Good testbed for new approach [Kashiwa, Mori\(2020\)](#), [Pawlowski et al.\(2021\)](#)

cf. 2-dim  $U(1)$  +  $\theta$ -term, another type of sign problem, is investigated by tensor renormalization

[Kuramashi and Yoshimura\(2019\)](#) and complex Langevin [Hirasawa et al.\(2020\)](#)

$$S = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_x \left( P_{x,12} + P_{x,12}^{-1} \right)$$

$$\beta = 1/(ga)^2 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$P_{x,12} := U_{x,1} U_{x+\hat{1},2} U_{x+\hat{2},1}^{-1} U_{x,2}^{-1}$$

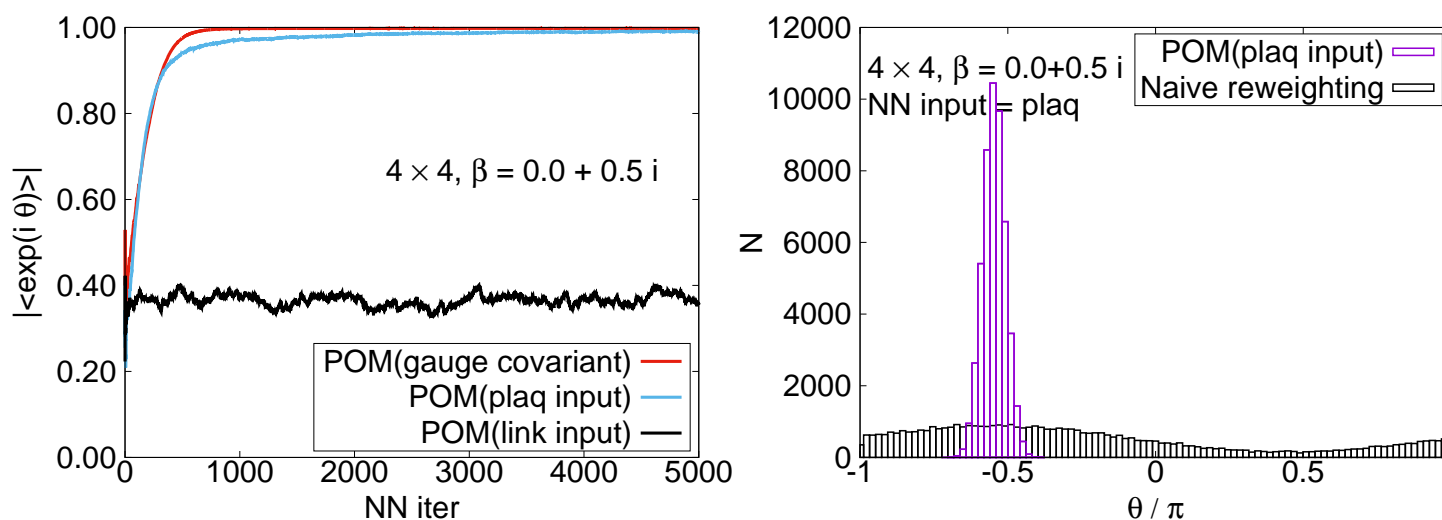
[Analytic result] [Wiese\(1988\)](#),...

$$Z := \int dU e^{-S} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} I_n(\beta)^V$$

$$I_n(\beta) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\phi e^{\beta \cos \phi - in\phi}$$

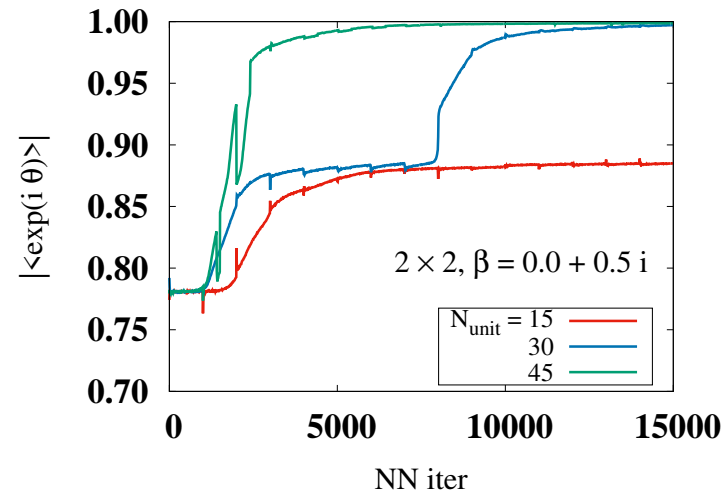
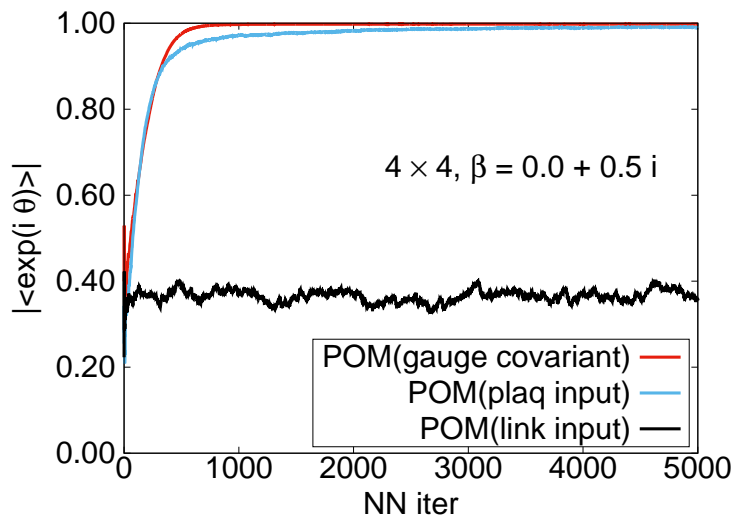
## [Neural network iteration dependence of average phase factor]

- Gauge invariant input and gauge covariant neural network successfully enhances averaged phase factor  $|\langle \exp(i\theta) \rangle|$ 
  - ◇ The peak structure in histogram of the averaged phase factor is made clear
- (See next page for gauge variant link-variable input)



# [Neural network iteration dependence of average phase factor(continued)]

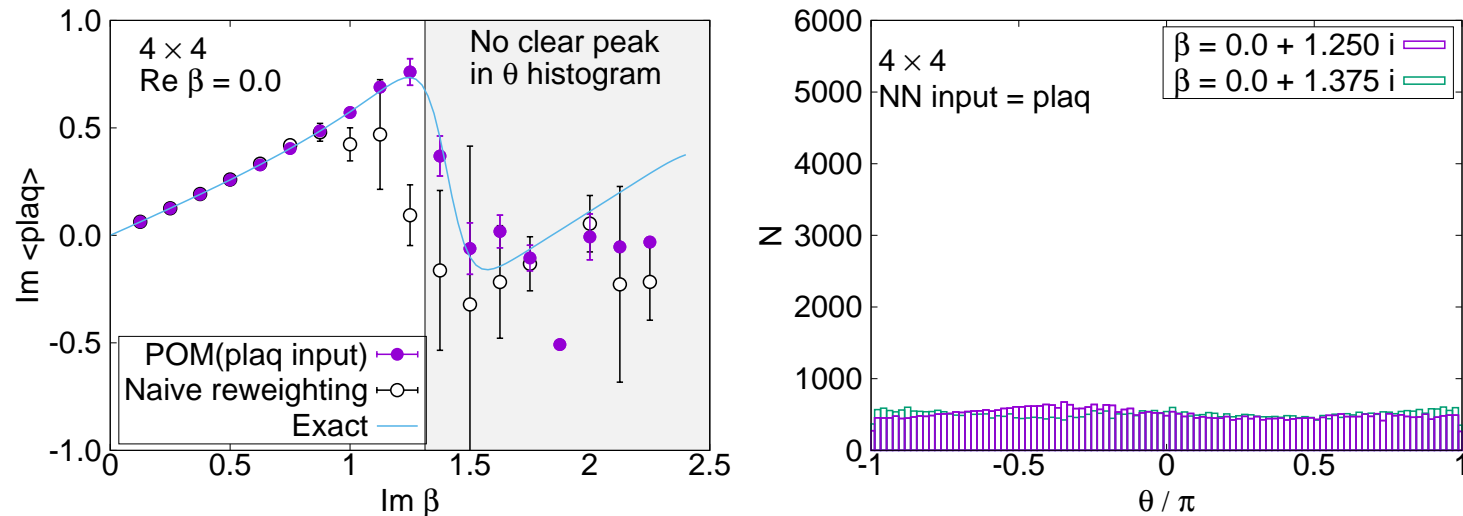
- Naive link-variable input does not enhance the averaged phase factor by 5000 neural network iterations with  $N_{\text{unit}} = 16$  hidden layer units
  - Naive link-variable input with much larger neural network iterations and larger hidden layer units enhances the averaged phase factor
- ◇ Neural network can learn the gauge symmetry, but the cost is high  
→ It is better to employ gauge invariant input or gauge covariant neural network



Calculated by H.Matsuda

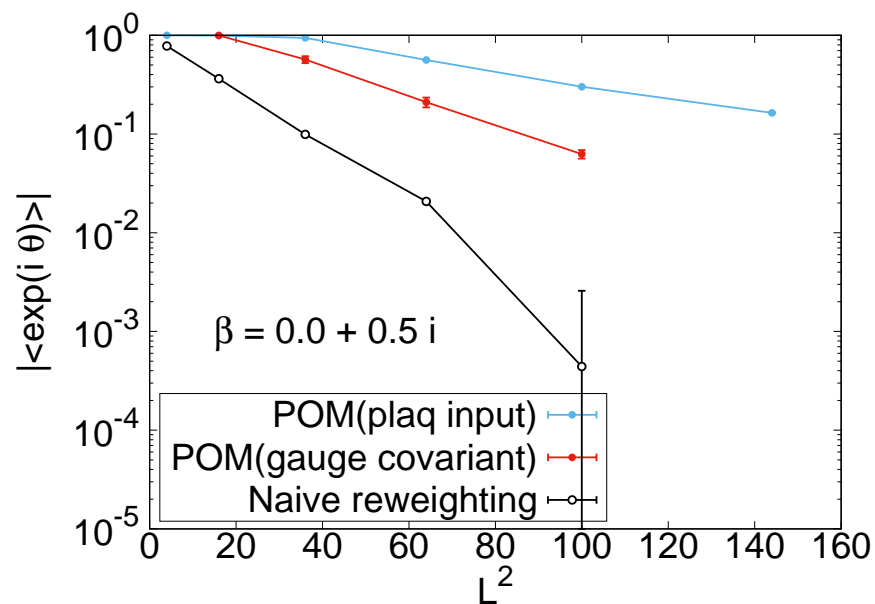
## [Comparison with the analytic solution]

- At small  $\text{Im}\beta$ , the POM successfully reproduces the exact solution with controlled error
- At large  $\text{Im}\beta$ , the POM fails due to no enhancement of the peak in histogram of the averaged phase factor  
→ Further improvement is required, such as tempering



## [Volume dependence]

- Enhancement of the averaged phase factor is confirmed
  - ◇ Gauge invariant input / gauge covariant neural network shows milder volume dependence than that of naive reweighting



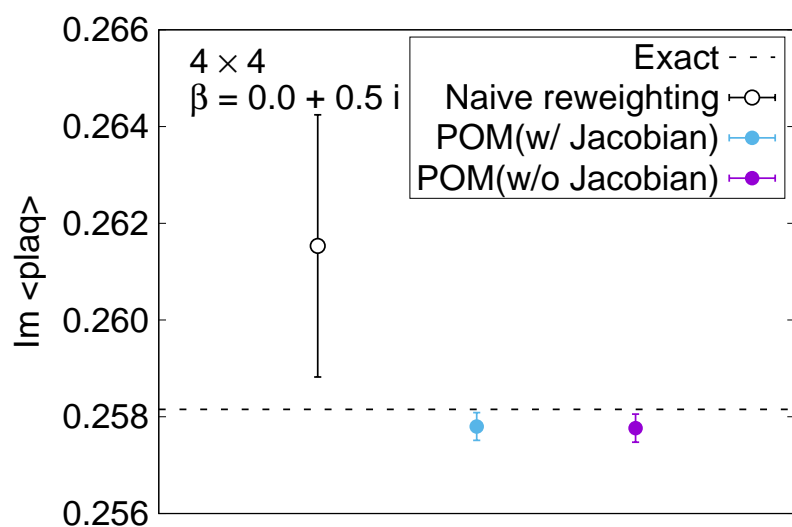
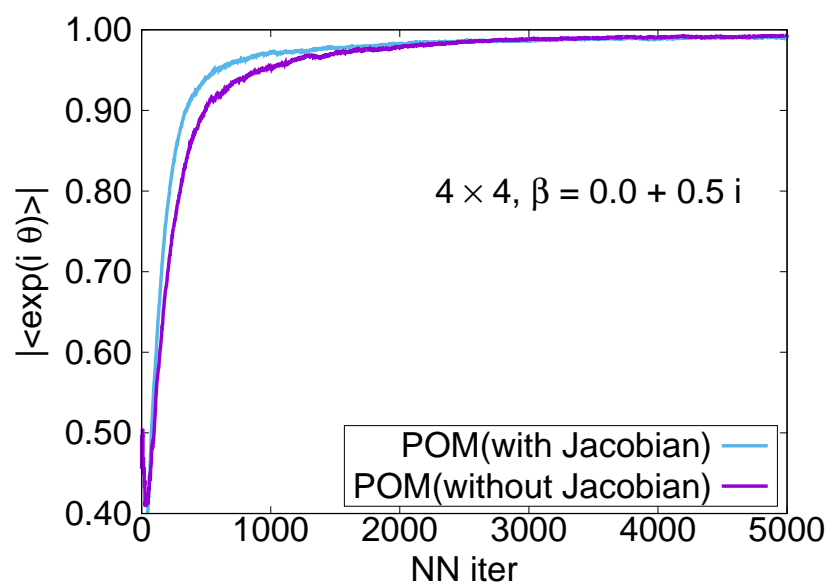
# [Test approximated Jacobian in neural network]

For a large scale simulation, cost reduction is necessary

- The main bottleneck is cost of Jacobian  $O(N_{\text{dof}}^3)$
- We test  $J = 1$  approximation in the learning process  
← We still need the exact Jacobian for final output and measurement

cf. WV-HMC needs no explicit form of Jacobian in Monte-Carlo update [Fukuma,Matsumoto\(2020\)](#)

◇ POM using  $J = 1$  approximated neural network can enhance the averaged phase factor with a slightly larger error by 1%



# 4 Summary

We explored efficient ways for the path optimization method, which reduces sign problem by complexification of path using machine learning

- Gauge invariant input / gauge covariant neural network successfully enhances the average phase factor, i.e., reduces sign problem  
← Gauge variant neural network can also enhance the average phase factor with much larger cost
- $J = 1$  approximated neural network still leads to large enhancement of the average phase factor (at least in our setup)

[Future direction]

- Try non-Abelian case, such as  $SU(2)$ ,  $SU(3)$
- Test another type of sign problem, such as system with  $\theta$ -term