# Stochastic Diagonalization 

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# Formulation of <br> <br> the problem 

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- Quantum statistical mechanics, (lattice) QED, (lattice) QCD:

$$
\langle X\rangle=\frac{\operatorname{Tr} e^{-\beta H} X}{\operatorname{Tr} e^{-\beta H}}=\frac{\sum_{\{\psi\},\{\varphi\}}\langle\varphi| e^{-\beta H}|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| X|\varphi\rangle}{\sum_{\{\psi\}}\langle\varphi| e^{-\beta H}|\varphi\rangle}
$$

- H: Hamiltonian
- X : Observable
- $\{\psi\},\{\varphi\}$ : Complete sets of states
- $\quad \beta=1 / k_{B} T$ : Inverse temperature
- Quantum dynamics:

$$
i \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}|\Psi(t)\rangle=H|\Psi(t)\rangle \Leftrightarrow|\Psi(t)\rangle=e^{-i t H / \hbar}|\Psi(0)\rangle
$$

- Ground-state ( $T=0$ ) properties:

$$
H\left|\Phi_{1}\right\rangle=E_{1}\left|\Phi_{1}\right\rangle
$$

- $E_{1}$ is the smallest eigenvalue of $H$



## Formulation of the problem

- For numerical purposes, a state of the quantum system, i.e. the wave function, is represented by a vector of length $M$ (the dimension of the Hilbert space) and the Hamiltonian $H$ is a hermitian matrix of dimension $M \times M$.
- We know what we have to do: "Just" solve the Schrödinger equation $H|\Phi\rangle=E|\Phi\rangle$
- A standard problem of linear algebra
- Example: The Hubbard-Gutzwiller model (1963)


Describes fermions (electrons) that hop from one lattice point to another and that feel each other via an onsite repulsion ( $U>0$ ).

## Formulation of the problem

- Count the number of possible ways to distribute $N$ electrons with spin up and $N_{\downarrow}$ electrons with spin down over $L$ lattice sites:

$$
M=\binom{L}{N_{\uparrow}} \mathrm{x}\binom{L}{N_{\downarrow}}
$$

For $\boldsymbol{N}=N_{\downarrow}=L / 2: \quad M \approx \frac{2^{2 L+2}}{2 \pi L}$
Memory $\approx \frac{2^{2 L-25}}{2 \pi L}$ Giga bytes

| $L$ | $N_{\uparrow}=N_{\downarrow}$ | $M$ | Memory <br> in Gb | Approx. <br> cost |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 16 | 8 | $2 \times 10^{8}$ | 2 | $\$ 10^{3}$ |
| 36 | 18 | $8 \times 10^{19}$ | $6 \times 10^{11}$ | $\$ 10^{14}$ |
| 64 | 32 | $3 \times 10^{36}$ | $3 \times 10^{28}$ | $\$ 10^{20}$ |

> Very Large Matrices !


## Formulation of the problem

- In general, there is no way to solve these monster eigenvalue problems using perturbative or conventional numerical (Eispack, Lanczos,
Davidson, ...) methods.
- Key issue

> How to solve (eigenvalue) problems involving extremely large matrices?

- General strategy: Trade memory for CPU time
- Quantum Monte Carlo (QMC) Methods
- Stochastic Diagonalization


# Quantum Monte Carlo Methods 

## Stochastic methods:

- Use much less than $M$ storage elements but use much more CPU time
- Example: A QMC method based on

$$
\lim _{m \rightarrow \infty}\left(H-E_{\text {shift }}\right)^{m}\left|\Phi_{\text {initial }}\right\rangle=\left|\Phi_{1}\right\rangle
$$

- Linear algebra: Power method

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left(H-E_{\text {shift }}\right)^{m}\left|\Phi_{\text {initial }}\right\rangle=\sum_{i=1}^{M}\left(E_{i}-E_{\text {shift }}\right)^{m}\left|\varphi_{i}\right\rangle\left\langle\varphi_{i} \mid \Phi_{\text {initial }}\right\rangle \\
\xrightarrow{m \rightarrow \infty} \underset{i}{ } \max \left(E_{i}-E_{\text {shift }}\right)^{m}\left|\varphi_{i}\right\rangle\left\langle\varphi_{i} \mid \Phi_{\text {initial }}\right\rangle \propto\left|\Phi_{1}\right\rangle \\
\text { • for a "good" choice of } E_{\text {shift }}
\end{gathered}
$$

Physical quantities are related to matrix elements:
$\left\langle\Phi_{i}\right|(H-E)^{m}\left|\Phi_{f}\right\rangle=\sum_{\left\{\Phi_{k}\right\}}\left\langle\Phi_{i}\right| H-E\left|\Phi_{1}\right\rangle\left\langle\Phi_{1}\right| H-E\left|\Phi_{2}\right\rangle \cdots\left\langle\Phi_{m-1}\right| H-E\left|\Phi_{f}\right\rangle$

- Takes approximately $m M$ operations
- Does not help much if we would like to sum all terms


## Q <br> uantum Monte Carlo Simulation: <br> General Strategy

## - Importance sampling

- Basic assumption (hope ) : If the problem can be solved at all, it must be such that not all the states of the system are equallly important. Using only a few of them should be sufficient to compute the physical properties with reasonable accuracy.
- In practice a "few " can still mean 104-108 states
- No a-priori justification in the case of quantum systems
- OK for classical statistical problems


## - How to find these important states ?

- Random search gives bad results

- Metropolis Monte Carlo method, molecular dynamics, Langevin dynamics, ...
- Importance sampling:
- Search for important states uses
$\rho=\rho\left(\left\{\Phi_{k}\right\}\right)=\left\langle\Phi_{0}\right| F\left|\Phi_{1}\right\rangle\left\langle\Phi_{1}\right| F\left|\Phi_{2}\right\rangle \cdots\left\langle\Phi_{m-1}\right| F\left|\Phi_{m}\right\rangle$
as a "density" distribution for the states $\left\{\Phi_{k}\right\}$
- $F$ depends on the application
- Classical statistical mechanics

$$
F_{\text {Boltzmann }}(H)=e^{-\beta H} \quad ; \quad H \in \mathfrak{R}
$$

Diffusion QMC (power method):

$$
F_{D Q M C}(H)=(1-\tau H)^{m}
$$

- Green Function QMC (inverse iteration:

$$
F_{G F M C}(H)=\left[\left(E_{\text {shift }}+H\right)^{-1}\right]^{m}
$$

Path Integral MC (Trotter-Suzuki product formulae)

$$
F_{P I}(H=A+B)=\left(e^{-\beta A / m} e^{-\beta B / m}\right)^{m}
$$

## Quantum Monte Carlo Methods: General Strategy

- All importance sampling methods require a probability distribution
- Only positive functions qualify as probability distributions
- Is $\rho>0$ for all possible states ?
- In classical mechanics (Boltzmann factor): ALWAYS
- In quantum mechanics: Almost NEVER
- "Theorems": If all the off-diagonal elements of the matrix representing the Hamiltonian are negative then $\rho>0$
- H. De Raedt and M. Frick, Phys. Rep. 231, 107-149 (1993)
- The reverse is NOT true but it is save to expect it is.


## Minus Sign Problem

## Theorems on the

 positivity of $F(H)$- Classical statistical mechanics $F_{\text {Boltzmann }}(H)=e^{-\beta H}>0 \quad ; \quad H \in \mathfrak{R}$

DQMC: $F_{D Q M C}(H)=(1-\tau H)^{m}$
If $\langle\varphi| H|\psi\rangle \leq 0$ for all $|\varphi\rangle,|\psi\rangle$
then $\langle\varphi|(1-\tau H)|\psi\rangle \geq 0$

- GQMC: $F_{G F M C}(H)=\left[\left(E_{\text {shift }}+H\right)^{-1}\right]^{m}$

If $\omega+H$ is positive definite and $\langle\varphi| H|\psi\rangle \leq 0$
for all $|\varphi\rangle \neq|\psi\rangle$ then $\langle\varphi|(\omega+H)^{-1}|\psi\rangle>0$

- Trotter-Suzuki: $F_{P I}(H=A+B)=\left(e^{-\beta A / m} e^{-\beta B / m}\right)^{m}$

If $\langle\varphi| X|\psi\rangle \leq 0$ for all $|\varphi\rangle \neq|\psi\rangle$
then $\langle\varphi| e^{-\tau X}|\psi\rangle \geq 0$ for all $\tau>0$

- Auxilary-field QMC:

$$
F \propto \operatorname{det}\left(1+e^{A_{1}} \ldots e^{A_{m}}\right)=?
$$

## Quantum Monte Carlo Minus Sign Problem

- Why should negative contributions bother us at all?
- Importance sampling without (mathematical) justification
- Trick: Transfer sign to measurement
- H. De Raedt and A. Lagendijk, Phys. Rev. Lett. 46, 77 (1981)

$$
\langle A\rangle=\operatorname{Tr} \rho A=\operatorname{Tr}|\rho| \operatorname{sign}(\rho) A=\frac{\langle\operatorname{sign}(\rho) A\rangle_{|\rho|}}{\langle\operatorname{sign}(\rho)\rangle_{|\rho|}}
$$

- Simulation methods suffer from statistical errors
- This trick fails if $\langle\operatorname{sign}(\rho)\rangle_{|\rho|} \rightarrow 0$ which is usually the case if
- the number of factors in the product formula increases, or
- the system size increases, or
- the temperature decreases, or


## Minus Sign Problem: Simple Example

- The minus sign problem can also appear when there are no fermions ! Example: A spin-1/2 model

$$
-\beta H=a \sigma^{x}-b \sigma^{y}=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
0 & a+i b \\
a-i b & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

Generic QMC approach: Rewrite the partition function using the Trotter-Suzuki formula:

$$
Z=\lim _{m \rightarrow \infty} Z_{m} \quad ; \quad Z_{m}=\operatorname{Tr}\left(e^{a \sigma^{x} / m} e^{-b \sigma^{y} / m}\right)^{m}
$$

1) $Z_{1}=\cosh a \cosh b \operatorname{Tr}\left(1+i \sigma^{z} \tanh a \tanh b\right)$

None of the contributions is REAL!
2) Change of representation: $-\beta H=a \sigma^{x}-b \sigma^{z}$

$$
Z_{m}=\sum_{\left\{s_{j}= \pm 1\right\}} \prod_{\mathrm{j}=0}^{\mathrm{m}-1}\left[\delta_{s_{j}, s_{j+1}}+\left(1-\delta_{s_{j}, s_{j+1}}\right) \tanh a\right] e^{-b s_{j} / m} \cosh \frac{a}{m}
$$

## Quantum Monte Carlo Methods: Summary

- Quantum Monte Carlo methods work well if there is no minus sign problem
- The minus sign problem is due to the use of a product formula in combination with an importance sampling algorithm
- Use of importance sampling seems unavoidable (just too many possibilities)
- Without using some product formula it seems very difficult to compute physical quantities without making (uncontrolled) approximations



## Stochastic

## Diagonalization

- Method to compute the smallest eigenvalue and corresponding eigenvector of very (very) large matrices.
- Basic idea: Assume that of all possible states of the quantum system, only a relatively small fraction is "important"
- The same assumption is at the heart of all Quantum Monte Carlo techniques
- How to find these important states ?
- HDR \& W. von der Linden (1992):

$$
\begin{aligned}
& |\Phi\rangle=\sum_{j=1}^{M} a_{j}\left|\phi_{j}\right\rangle=\sum_{j=1}^{M} a_{P j}\left|\phi_{P j}\right\rangle \quad ; \quad\left|a_{P j}\right| \geq\left|a_{P(j+1)}\right| \\
& |\Phi\rangle \approx|\widetilde{\Phi}\rangle=\sum_{j=1}^{M_{\text {imp }}} a_{P j}\left|\phi_{P j}\right\rangle \quad ; \quad M_{i m p}=\# \text { Important states } \\
& E \leq \tilde{E}=\frac{\langle\tilde{\Phi}| H|\widetilde{\Phi}\rangle}{\langle\tilde{\Phi} \mid \tilde{\Phi}\rangle}
\end{aligned}
$$



## Stochastic

## Diagonalization

- Lemma: If $U^{-1}\left(\begin{array}{ll}a & b \\ b^{*} & c\end{array}\right) U \rightarrow\left(\begin{array}{cc}a^{\prime} & 0 \\ 0 & c^{\prime}\end{array}\right)$ and if $a \leq c$ and $|b| \neq 0$ then $a^{\prime}<a$
Step 1: Modified Jacobi method
$U_{1, k}^{-1}\left(\begin{array}{cccccc}a & b_{1} & \cdots & b_{k} & \cdots & b_{M} \\ b_{1}^{*} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \vdots & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ b_{k}^{*} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \vdots & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ b_{M}^{*} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet\end{array}\right) U_{1, k} \rightarrow\left(\begin{array}{cccccc}a^{\prime} & b_{1}^{\prime} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & b_{M}^{\prime} \\ b_{1}^{b_{1}^{*}} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \vdots & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ 0 & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ \vdots & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ b_{M}^{b_{M}^{*}} & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet\end{array}\right) \Rightarrow a^{\prime}<a$

- Step 2: Use the difference $a-a^{\prime}>0$ to set up an importance sampling scheme


## Stochastic

## Diagonalization

- Use plane rotations ( $2 \times 2$ matrices) to inflate the matrix and to
simultaneously isolate the lowest eigenvalue

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(E_{0}^{(0)}\right) \rightarrow\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
E_{0}^{(1)} & * \\
* & \bullet
\end{array}\right) \rightarrow \\
& \rightarrow\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
E_{0}^{(2)} & * & * \\
* & \bullet & \bullet \\
* & \bullet & \bullet
\end{array}\right) \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
E_{0} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\
\vdots & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\
0 & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet
\end{array}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

- How to pick "candidates" ?
- Use $\left\langle\varphi_{\text {Pi }}\right| H\left|\varphi_{\text {Trial }}\right\rangle \neq 0$

Why does the $(1,1)$ element converges to the ground state energy?

## Stochastic <br> Diagonalization

- Cauchy theorem:

$$
H=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
H^{(k)} & X^{T} \\
X & Y
\end{array}\right) ; k=1, \ldots, M-1
$$

$E_{j}^{(k)}: j$-th eigenvalue of $H^{(k)}$
Then :

$$
E_{j} \leq E_{j}^{(k)} \leq E_{M-k+j}
$$

- Poincaré separation theorem: Relates eigenvalues of a $(k-1) \times(k-1)$ matrix to the eigenvalues of a $\boldsymbol{k} \times k$ matrix

$$
E_{1}^{(k)} \leq E_{1}^{(k-1)} \leq E_{2}^{(k)} \leq \ldots \leq E_{k-1}^{(k-1)} \leq E_{k}^{(k)}
$$

## SD: Algorithm

## Initialize data structures <br> Do

If (Maximum of absolute value of off-
diagonal elements of the first row < than
threshold for rejecting plane rotations)
then
Generate a new trial state
if (No important state has been found) then Reduce the threshold(s)
else
Inflate the matrix
end if
else
Annihilate the pair of off-diagonal
elements with the largest absolute value by performing a plane rotation
end if
end do

# YSD : Practical aspects 

Necessary condition to be useful in practice: The calculation of matrix elements of H should be (very) fast.

- Each attempt to find a new important state requires the calculation of the matrix element

$$
\begin{aligned}
H_{1, n+1}^{\text {trial }} & =\left(\left(U^{(1)} \ldots U^{(p)}\right)^{T} H U^{(p)} \ldots U^{(1)}\right)_{1, n+1} \\
& =\sum_{j=1}^{n}\left(U^{(1)} \ldots U^{(p)}\right)_{1, j}^{T} H_{j, n+1}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Calculation of the product of plane rotation matrices $U(q)$ is fast
- Calculating $H_{i, n+1}$ takes most of the CPU time
- Can be done in parallel


# Computation of <br> <br> Physical Properties 

 <br> <br> Physical Properties}

- At $T=0$ the expectation value of a physical observable is given by
$\langle A\rangle=\langle\Phi| A|\Phi\rangle=\sum_{i, j=1}^{M} a_{i} a_{j}\left\langle\phi_{i}\right| A\left|\phi_{j}\right\rangle$

$$
\approx \frac{\sum_{i, j=1}^{M_{i m p}} a_{P_{i}} a_{P_{j}}\left\langle\phi_{P_{i} \mid}\right| A\left|\phi_{P_{j}}\right\rangle}{\sum_{i=1}^{M_{m p}} a_{P i}^{2}}
$$

- Takes of the order of $M_{i m p} \times M_{i m p}$ operations
- For $M_{i m p} \sim 10^{5}-10^{6}$ computing a physical quantity may take a substantial amount of CPU time


# Example: Repulsive Hubbard Model 

- 2D Hubbard model with nearest and next-nearest neighbor hopping

$$
\begin{aligned}
H= & -t \sum_{<i, j>\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \sum_{i, \sigma}\left(c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{j, \sigma}+c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{i, \sigma}\right)+U \sum_{i} c_{i \uparrow}^{+} c_{i \downarrow}^{+} c_{i \downarrow} c_{i \uparrow} \\
& -t^{\prime} \sum_{\ll i, j \gg} \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow}\left(c_{i, \sigma}^{+} c_{j, \sigma}+c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{i, \sigma}\right) \\
= & \sum_{k} \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \varepsilon_{k} c_{k, \sigma}^{+} c_{k, \sigma}+\frac{U}{L} \sum_{k, p, q} c_{k+q, \uparrow}^{+} c_{p-q, \downarrow}^{+} c_{p, \downarrow} c_{k, \uparrow}
\end{aligned}
$$

Ground state energy per site of 10 electrons on a $4 \times 4$ lattice filled as obtained by exact diagonalization (ED), stochastic diagonalization (SD), and projector quantum Monte Carlo (PQMC).

| $t^{\prime} /\|t\|$ | $U /\|t\|$ | $E D$ | $S D$ | $P Q M C$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | -6 | -2.458782 | -2.4568 | $-2.460 \pm 0.004$ |
| 0 | -4 | -2.045849 | -2.0453 | $-2.045 \pm 0.002$ |
| 0 | -2 | -1.731689 | -1.7316 | $-1.731 \pm 0.001$ |
| -0.22 | 2 | -1.230034 | -1.2300 | $-1.231 \pm 0.001$ |
| -0.22 | 4 | -1.126160 | -1.1261 | $-1.125 \pm 0.003$ |
| -0.22 | 6 | -1.058717 | -1.0581 | $-1.061 \pm 0.005$ |

## V/ Example: Quantum Chemistry

Energy and correlation energy (both in hartree) of the Mg atom as obtained by SD and various standard quantum chemistry methods. $M_{I}$ denotes the number of the basis states (Slater determinants with $D_{2 h}$ symmetry) that has been used

| Method | $E$ | $E_{\text {corr }}$ | $M_{I}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SCF | -199.585212 | 0 | 1 |
| RASSCF | -199.615701 | -0.0305 | 4 |
| CISD | -199.721386 | -0.1362 | 2960 |
| CISDT | -199.722039 | -0.1368 | 102928 |
| CISDTQ | -199.726256 | -0.1410 | 1964232 |
| SD | -199.724237 | -0.1409 | 2000 |
| SD | -199.726164 | -0.1410 | 40000 |
| CI* | -199.7263 | -0.1411 | 2538603250 |
| J.OIsen et al., Chem. Phys. Lett. 169, $\mathbf{4 6 3}$ (1990) |  |  |  |

## Stochastic Diagonalization versus Fixed-Node Diffusion Monte Carlo

Comparison between the ground state energy per site as obtained from a fixed-node approximation (FN), exact diagonalization (ED) and stochastic diagonalization (SD). The difference between the FN results of the second and third row stems from the choice of the trial state.

| Lattice | $U /\|t\|$ | $\mathrm{FN}^{*}$ | ED | SD | $M$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2 \times 2$ <br> $\mathrm{~N}_{\uparrow}=\mathrm{N}_{\downarrow}=2$ | 1 | -3.3172 | -3.3408 | $-3.3408^{(a)}$ | 36 |
| $2 \times 2 \times 2$ <br> $\mathrm{~N}_{\uparrow}=\mathrm{N}_{\downarrow}=4$ | 10 | -2.6597 | -2.8652 | $-2.8634^{(b)}$ | 4900 |
| $2 \times 2 \times 2$ <br> $\mathrm{~N}_{\uparrow}=\mathrm{N}_{\downarrow}=4$ | 10 | -2.6382 | -2.8652 | $-2.8634^{(b)}$ | 4900 |

- (A) : D.F.B. ten Haaf et al., Phys. Rev. B (1995)
(a) : Using < 100 s CPU-time on an IBM Thinkpad 755 CD collecting 10 states, without using symmetry
- (b) : Using < 1000 s CPU-time on an IBM Thinkpad $755 C D$ collecting 600 states, without using symmetry


## Stochastic

## Diagonalization: Main features

- Exact results (but requires much more effort than standard methods) for small systems because then we can put $M_{\text {imp }}=M$ from the start The "best" variational wave function that can be build from $M_{i m p}$ basis states
- NO minus sign problems "Quality" of the result depends on the choice of the representation (basis states)
- Use real- and momentum space representation (very hard for QMC)
- Checks: Compare with exact diagonalization (small systems) and Projector Quantum Monte Carlo


# Application: Off-Diagonal Long-Range Order 

- Can a model system of (strongly) interacting electrons exhibit superconductivity?
- No degrees of freedom other than those of the electrons
- Dominant interaction between the electrons is repulsive
- How would theoreticians know the system is in the superconducting state?
- Criteria:
- Infinite electrical conductivity


## AND

- Off-Diagonal Long-Range order OR
- Flux Quantization OR
- Superfluid density


## Off-Diagonal LongRange Order (ODLRO)

## Penrose \& Onsager (1951) :

- Properties of the reduced one-particle density matrix can be used to "detect" Bose-Einstein condensation


## - Yang (1962) :

- Reduced two-particle density matrix can be used to "detect" superconductivity
- "Detect" : ODLRO in the two-particle density matrix $\rightarrow$ superconductivity (zero resistance \& Meissner effect)
- Sewell (1990); Nieh, Su, Zhao (1995): ODLRO (+ ...) $\Rightarrow$ Meissner effect


## ODLRO

- Using Spin model
- Phase transition
- $T>T_{c}$ : There is little correlation between spins on different sites
- $T<T_{c}$ : Strong correlation between spins on different sites
- Quantitative measure of correlation:
$C(j)=\frac{1}{L} \sum_{i=1}^{L}\left\langle S_{i} S_{i+j}\right\rangle$

$T>T_{c} \Rightarrow C(j) \approx e^{-j / \lambda} \Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{t} C(j)=a$
$T<T_{c} \Rightarrow C(j) \approx 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^{t} C(j)=a+b L$
A 1 U
- Fermions
- Normal $\Leftrightarrow$ superconductor phase transition: Pairs of electrons
- Yang: No long-range correlation in oneparticle density matrices
- Correlation functions or reduced twoparticle density matrix
$C(j)=\frac{1}{L} \sum_{i=1}^{L}\left\langle c_{i, \uparrow}^{+} c_{i+k, \downarrow}^{+} c_{i+k+j, \downarrow} c_{i+j, \uparrow}\right\rangle$
- $\boldsymbol{k}$ determines the "kind" of electron pairing
- $k=0 \Rightarrow$ onsite $s$ wave pairing
- ODLRO : $\sum_{j=1}^{L} c(j)=a+b L$


## ODLRO:

## Full two-particle density matrix

## Yang: Compute all entries of the

 reduced two-particle density matrix$$
A(n, m)=\left\langle c_{i, \sigma}^{+} c_{i^{\prime},-\sigma}^{+} c_{j^{\prime},-\sigma^{\prime}} c_{j, \sigma^{\prime}}\right\rangle \quad ; n=\left(i, i^{\prime}, \sigma\right), m=\left(j, j^{\prime}, \sigma^{\prime}\right)
$$

- Compute $A(n, m): 2 L^{2} \times 2 L^{2}$ matrix
- Find the largest eigenvalue $\lambda_{0}$ of $A$
- If $\lambda_{0}=a+b L$ then there is ODLRO
- The eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda_{0}$ contains the information on the kind of pairing
- Analogy with magnetic moments:
- Diagonalize $A(n, m)=\left\langle S_{n} S_{m}\right\rangle$ by Fourier transformation
- $q=0 \Rightarrow$ ferromagnetic
- $\mathbf{q}=\pi \Rightarrow$ antiferromagnet



## BCS reduced

 Hamiltonian$$
\begin{aligned}
H_{\mathrm{BCS}} & =-t \sum_{\langle i, j>} \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow}\left(c_{i, \sigma}^{+} c_{j, \sigma}+c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{i, \sigma}\right)-\frac{|U|}{L} \sum_{i, j} c_{i, \uparrow}^{+} \uparrow_{i \downarrow}^{+} c_{j \downarrow} c_{j \uparrow} \\
& =\sum_{k} \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \varepsilon_{k} c_{k, \sigma}^{+} c_{k, \sigma}-\frac{|U|}{L} \sum_{k, p} c_{k, \uparrow}^{+} c_{-k, \downarrow}^{+} c_{-p, \downarrow} c_{p, \uparrow}
\end{aligned}
$$

For the BCS reduced Hamiltonian the BCS treatment yields the exact solution (in the thermodynamic limit)

- R.J. Bursill and C.J. Thompson (1993)
- This system has to exhibit ODLRO
- the BCS wave function has ODLRO build in



## BCS reduced Hamiltonian

## SD: $M_{i m p} \leq 100000$



On-site pairing correlation function

$$
\begin{aligned}
& P_{0}=\frac{1}{L} \sum_{i, k}\left\langle c_{i \uparrow}^{+} c_{i \downarrow}^{+} c_{k \downarrow} c_{k \uparrow}>\right. \\
& P_{0} \leq \lambda_{0}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Repulsive Hubbard Model

$$
\begin{aligned}
H & =-t \sum_{<i, j>\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \sum_{i, \sigma}\left(c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{j}+c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{i, \sigma}\right)+|U| \sum_{i} c_{i \uparrow}^{+} c_{i \downarrow}^{+} c_{i \downarrow} c_{i \uparrow} \\
& =\sum_{k} \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \varepsilon_{k} c_{k, \sigma}^{+} c_{k, \sigma}+\frac{|U|}{L} \sum_{k, p, q} c_{k+q, \uparrow}^{+} c_{p-q, \downarrow}^{+} c_{p, \downarrow} c_{k, \uparrow}
\end{aligned}
$$

- BCS treatment: No ODLRO SD: $M_{i m p} \leq 198000$

$$
M \leq 1.2 \times 10^{6}
$$

Repulsive Hubbard Model


## Repulsive Hubbard Model with Correlated Hopping

$$
\begin{aligned}
H= & -t \sum_{<i, j>\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \sum_{i, \sigma}\left(c_{i, \sigma}^{+} c_{j, \sigma}+c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{i, \sigma}\right)+U \sum_{i} n_{i \uparrow} n_{i \downarrow} \\
& +\Delta t \sum_{\langle i, j>\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \sum_{k}\left(n_{i,-\sigma}+n_{j,-\sigma}\right)\left(c_{i, \sigma}^{+} c_{j, \sigma}+c_{j, \sigma}^{+} c_{i, \sigma}\right) \\
& +\frac{1}{L} \sum_{k, \uparrow, \downarrow, \downarrow} \varepsilon_{k} c_{k, \sigma}^{+} c_{k, \sigma} \\
& \left.U-\frac{\Delta t}{t}\left(\varepsilon_{k}+\varepsilon_{k+q}\right)\right] c_{k+q, \uparrow}^{+} c_{p-q, \downarrow}^{+} c_{p, \downarrow} c_{k, \uparrow}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Interaction may be "attractive" for some (U,t, $\Delta t, n$ )
- Hirsch (1989): Basic model for (high-T ${ }_{c}$ ) superconductivity (based on BCS treatment)
- Exact solution for ( $U, t=\Delta t, n=1$ ): ODLRO for $U<-4|t|$ but NO superconductivity
- Japaridze \& Müller-Hartmann (1994): Continuum limit + Bosonization: ODLRO for $U \ll \Delta t \ll t, n_{0}<n<n_{1}$


# Repulsive Hubbard Model with Correlated Hopping 

## SD: $M_{i m p} \leq 192000$

$$
M \leq 8.7 \times 10^{19}
$$

Hubbard model with correlated hopping


# Application: Summary 

Off-Diagonal Long-Range Order (implies superconductivity?) in models of interacting fermions.

- The repulsive Hubbard model
supplemented with correlated hopping may exhibit Off-Diagonal Long-Range Order, depending on the choice of (U,t, $\Delta t, n$ )
- Building the many-body states from single-particle states in either the realspace or $k$-space representation is far from optimal for this kind of problem


# Basis set optimization 

- SD can use "any" representation
- if $\langle\varphi| H|\psi\rangle$ can be calculated efficiently
- why not use basis sets that are "more sophisticated"?
- An attempt motivated by our study of ODLRO
- real-space representation is adequate to describe e.g. local pairs
- k-space is the representation of choice to describe e.g. extended structure
- Can we let the algorithm find an optimum that interpolates between these two extremes?
- basis set optimization (cfr. Quantum chemistry)


# Optimization of the <br> <br> single-particle states 

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- Example: Fermions on a lattice (atomic orbitals)
- Many-body basis states are build from single-particle states
- Real-space : $\left|\varphi_{i}\right\rangle=c_{i}^{+}|0\rangle$
- Fourier-space : $\left|\varphi_{k}\right\rangle=c_{k}^{+}|0\rangle$
- Many-body state (Slater determinant):

$$
\left|\phi_{n}\right\rangle=\sum_{i_{j}=1}^{K} a^{(n)}\left(i_{1}, 1\right) \ldots a^{(n)}\left(i_{N}, 1\right) c_{i_{1}}^{+} \ldots c_{i_{N}}^{+}|0\rangle
$$

- Matrix of coefficients:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A^{(n, K)}= & \left(\begin{array}{cccccc}
a^{(n)}(1,1) & a^{(n)}(1,2) & \cdots & a^{(n)}(1, N) & \cdots & a^{(n)}(1, K) \\
a^{(n)}(2,1) & a^{(n)}(2,2) & \cdots & a^{(n)}(2, N) & \cdots & a^{(n)}(2, K) \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
a^{(n)}(K, 1) & a^{(n)}(K, 2) & \cdots & a^{(n)}(K, N) & \cdots & a^{(n)}(K, K)
\end{array}\right) \\
& \cdot \text { e.g. "real space" : }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
A^{(n, K)}=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\
0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 1
\end{array}\right)
$$

# Optimization of the <br> <br> single particle states 

 <br> <br> single particle states}

- Change the matrix $A^{(n, k)}$ using "simple" moves
- keep single-particle states orthonormal
- Simplifies calculation of matrix elements of $H$
- Use plane-rotations: $U=\left(\begin{array}{cc}\cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta\end{array}\right)$
- Update two rows (columns) $p, q$ at a time
- Mix columns: $A^{(n, K)} \leftarrow A^{(n, K)} U^{(p, q)} \quad ; 1 \leq p \leq N<q \leq K$
- Mix rows: $A^{(n, K)} \leftarrow U^{(p, q)} A^{(n, K)} ; p, q=1, K$
- Preserves unitary character of $A^{(n, K)}$ and defines a "dynamics" for changing Slater determinants


## /Basis-set optimization: <br> Example

The energy $E$ as a function of the number of rotations as obtained by optimizing one Slater determinant for the case of a $4 \times 4$ Hubbard model ( $N_{\uparrow}=N_{\downarrow}=5, t=0, U=-1$ ). The single-particle states used to construct the initial many-body wave function are $\left|\varphi_{k}\right\rangle=c_{k}^{+}|O\rangle$. Various symbols correspond to different optimization strategies. The exact result is indicated by the dasheddotted line.


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The ground state energy of the $4 \times 4$ Hubbard model ( $N_{\uparrow}=N_{\downarrow}=5, t=1$ ) as obtained by various methods:

- $E_{1}^{\text {Exact }}$ : Exact diagonalization
- $E_{1}^{(k)} \quad: \mathrm{SD}+$ basis-set optimization using $\left|\varphi_{k}\right\rangle=c_{k}^{+}|0\rangle$
- $E_{1}^{(i)} \quad: \mathrm{SD}+$ basis-set optimization using $\left|\varphi_{i}\right\rangle=c_{i}^{+}|0\rangle$
- $E_{1}^{S D}: \mathbf{S D}$
- $E_{1}^{H F}$ : Hartree Fock
- In all SD calculations the limit to the number of important states was set to 200: $M_{l}=200$.
- A greedy algorithm was used to optimize the singleparticle states, using 10000 plane rotations for each many-body state added.

| $U$ | $E_{1}^{\text {Exact }}$ | $E_{1}^{(k)}$ | $E_{1}^{(i)}$ | $E_{1}^{S D}$ | $E_{1}^{\text {HF }}$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 6 | -18.35837 | -18.09710 | -17.93031 | -17.41384 | -14.625 |
| 4 | -19.58094 | -19.50157 | -19.42179 | -19.24434 | -17.750 |
| 2 | -21.37695 | -21.36576 | -21.34991 | -21.32807 | -20.875 |
| 0 | -27.12500 | -27.12500 | -27.68078 | -27.64086 | -27.125 |
| -2 | -27.70702 | -27.69305 | -27.68078 | -27.64086 | -27.125 |
| -4 | -32.73360 | -32.51795 | -32.45901 | -32.05033 | -30.250 |
| -6 | -39.34051 | -38.19426 | -38.27180 | -36.85642 | -33.375 |

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