

A note on basic properties of f_{ij}

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In this note, we show relation between Pfaffian Slater determinant and single Slater determinant. We also discuss meaning of the singular value decomposition of coefficients f_{ij} .

1. Relation between f_{ij} and $\Phi_{i\sigma}$

Pfaffian Slater determinant [one-body part of the many-variable variational Monte Carlo (mVMC) method] is defined as

$$|\phi_{\text{Pf}}\rangle = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_s} f_{ij} c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{j\downarrow}^\dagger \right)^{N_e/2} |0\rangle, \quad (1)$$

where N_s is number of sites, N_e is number of total particles, and f_{ij} are variational parameters. For simplicity, we assume that f_{ij} are real number. Single Slater determinant is defined as

$$|\phi_{\text{SL}}\rangle = \left(\prod_{n=1}^{N_e/2} \psi_{n\uparrow}^\dagger \right) \left(\prod_{m=1}^{N_e/2} \psi_{m\downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0\rangle, \quad (2)$$

$$\psi_{n\sigma}^\dagger = \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} \Phi_{i\sigma} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger. \quad (3)$$

We note that Φ is the normalized orthogonal basis, i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_s} \Phi_{i\sigma} \Phi_{i\sigma} = \delta_{nm}, \quad (4)$$

where δ_{nm} is the Kronecker's delta. Due to this normalized orthogonality, we obtain following relation:

$$[\psi_{n\sigma}^\dagger, \psi_{m\sigma}]_+ = \delta_{nm}, \quad (5)$$

$$G_{ij\sigma} = \langle c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} \rangle = \frac{\langle \phi_{\text{SL}} | c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} | \phi_{\text{SL}} \rangle}{\langle \phi_{\text{SL}} | \phi_{\text{SL}} \rangle} \quad (6)$$

$$= \sum_n \Phi_{i\sigma} \Phi_{jn\sigma}. \quad (7)$$

Here, we rewrite ϕ_{SL} and obtain explicit relation between f_{ij} and $\Phi_{i\sigma}$. By using the

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commutation relation for $\psi_{n\sigma}^\dagger$, we rewrite ϕ_{SL} as

$$|\phi_{\text{SL}}\rangle \propto \prod_{n=1}^{N_e/2} \left(\psi_{n\uparrow}^\dagger \psi_{\mu(n)\downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0\rangle, \quad (8)$$

where $\mu(n)$ represents permutation of sequence of $n = 1, 2, \dots, N_e/2$. For simplicity, we take identity permutation and obtain the relation

$$|\phi_{\text{SL}}\rangle \propto \prod_{n=1}^{N_e/2} \left(\psi_{n\uparrow}^\dagger \psi_{n\downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0\rangle = \prod_{n=1}^{N_e/2} K_n^\dagger |0\rangle \quad (9)$$

$$\propto \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\frac{N_e}{2}} K_n^\dagger \right)^{\frac{N_e}{2}} |0\rangle = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_s} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\frac{N_e}{2}} \Phi_{in\uparrow} \Phi_{jn\downarrow} \right] c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{j\downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0\rangle, \quad (10)$$

where $K_n^\dagger = \psi_{n\uparrow}^\dagger \psi_{n\downarrow}^\dagger$ and we use the relation $K_n^\dagger K_m^\dagger = K_m^\dagger K_n^\dagger$. This result shows that f_{ij} can be expressed by the coefficients of the single Slater determinant as

$$f_{ij} = \sum_{n=1}^{\frac{N_e}{2}} \Phi_{in\uparrow} \Phi_{jn\downarrow}. \quad (11)$$

We note that this is one of expression of f_{ij} for single Slater determinant, i.e, f_{ij} depend on the pairing degrees of freedom (choices of $\mu(n)$) and gauge degrees of freedom (we can arbitrary change the sign of Φ as $\Phi_{in\sigma} \rightarrow -\Phi_{in\sigma}$). This large degrees of freedom is the origin of huge redundancy of f_{ij} .

2. Singular value decomposition of f_{ij}

We define matrices F , Φ_\uparrow , Φ_\downarrow , and Σ as

$$(F)_{ij} = f_{ij}, \quad (\Phi_\uparrow)_{in} = \Phi_{in\uparrow}, \quad (\Phi_\downarrow)_{in} = \Phi_{in\downarrow}, \quad (12)$$

$$\Sigma = \text{diag}[1, \dots, 1, 0, 0, 0] \quad (\# \text{ of } 1 = N_e/2). \quad (13)$$

By using these notations, we can describe the singular value decomposition of f_{ij} (or equivalently F) as

$$F = \Phi_\uparrow \Sigma \Phi_\downarrow^t. \quad (14)$$

This result indicates that f_{ij} can be described by the mean-field solutions if the number of nonzero singular values are $N_e/2$ and all the nonzero singular values of F are one. In other word, the singular values including their numbers offers the quantitative criterion how the Pfaffian Slater determinant deviates from the single Slater determinant.