## Doping evolution of charge and spin excitations in two-leg Hubbard ladders: comparing DMRG and FLEX results

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Reproducing the numerical DMRG results
 The DMRG++ code can be obtained with:
git clone https://github.com/g1257/dmrgpp.git
and PsimagLite with:
git clone https://github.com/g1257/PsimagLite.git
 To compile:
cd PsimagLite/lib
perl configure.pl
(you may now optionally edit Config.make)
cd ../../dmrgpp/src
perl configure.pl
(you may now optionally edit Config.make)
 To compute the ground state properties of the Hubbard ladder studied in the main text, consider the following
input file input.inp:
TotalNumberOfSites=96
NumberOfTerms=1
DegreesOfFreedom=1
GeometryKind=ladder
GeometryOptions=ConstantValues
Connectors 1 -1
Connectors 1 -1
LadderLeg=2
Model=HubbardOneBand
6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
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InfiniteLoopKeptStates=128
FiniteLoops 7
47 1000 0
-94 1000 0 94 1000 0
-94 1000 0 94 1000 0
-94 1000 0 94 1000 1

TargetElectronsUp=42
TargetElectronsDown=42
Threads=24
SolverOptions=twositedmrg,useSvd,MatrixVectorKron
Version=version
TruncationTolerance=1e-7
LanczosEps=1e-7
OutputFile=dataGS.txt
Orbitals=1

Above, a maximum of m=1000 states are kept in the simulation by keeping the DMRG truncation error below  $10^{-7}$ . We have furthermore considered U=6.0, and doping n=0.875. We notice that computer cluster resources are needed for the production runs. For this reason we include below an input file, input\_L8x2.inp, valid for a shorter system size  $L=8\times 2$  with N=14 electrons (n=0.875), using only m=200 DMRG states. input\_L8x2.inp could be executed quickly on a standard laptop.

TotalNumberOfSites=16 NumberOfTerms=1

DegreesOfFreedom=1
GeometryKind=ladder
GeometryOptions=ConstantValues
Connectors 1 -1
Connectors 1 -1
LadderLeg=2

Model=HubbardOneBand

hubbardU 16 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

InfiniteLoopKeptStates=128
FiniteLoops 5
7 200 0
-14 200 0 14 200 0
-14 200 0 14 200 1

TargetElectronsUp=7
TargetElectronsDown=7
SolverOptions=twositedmrg,useSvd,MatrixVectorKron
Version=version
TruncationTolerance=1e-7
LanczosEps=1e-7
OutputFile=dataGS.txt
Orbitals=1

Once the ground state  $|\Psi_0\rangle$  has been obtained, restart from ground state calculations. In order to calculate the dynamical spin structure factor in frequency space

$$S_{j,c}(\omega + i\eta) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \left[ \langle \Psi_0 | S_j^z \frac{1}{\omega - \hat{H} + E_0 + i\eta} S_c^z | \Psi_0 \rangle \right], \tag{1}$$

restart from the ground state calculation with input input\_275.inp for each desired, say  $\omega = 0.275$ , value of the spectrum. For a short  $L = 8 \times 2$  ladder we have

TotalNumberOfSites=16 NumberOfTerms=1

DegreesOfFreedom=1
GeometryKind=ladder
GeometryOptions=ConstantValues
Connectors 1 -1
Connectors 1 -1
LadderLeg=2

Model=HubbardOneBand

hubbardU 16 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

InfiniteLoopKeptStates=128
FiniteLoops 4
-14 200 2 14 200 2
-14 200 2 14 200 2

TargetElectronsUp=7
TargetElectronsDown=7

 $\label{lem:correction} Solver Options = Correction Vector Targetting, two sited mrg, restart, use Svd, Matrix Vector Kron, minimize Disk Correction A = 0 \\ Version = version \\ Threads = 4 \\ Restart Filename = data GS.txt$ 

LanczosEps=1e-7

OutputFile=data275.txt

TruncationTolerance=1e-5

DynamicDmrgType=0
TSPSites 1 6
TSPLoops 1 1
TSPProductOrSum=sum
CorrectionVectorFreqType=Real

CorrectionVectorEta=0.08 CorrectionVectorAlgorithm=Krylov TridiagonalEps=1e-7 TridiagSteps=1000 Orbitals=1

GsWeight=0.1

## CorrectionVectorOmega=0.275

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TSPOperator=raw
RAW_MATRIX
4 4
0 0 0 0 0
0 0.5 0 0
0 0 -0.5 0
0 0 0 0
FERMIONSIGN=1
JMVALUES 0 0
AngularFactor=1
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Notice the restart and CorrectionVectorTargetting flags in the SolverOptions of the code. In eq. (1),  $\hat{H}$  and  $E_0$  represent the Hamiltonian and the ground state energy of the Hubbard model. This input restarts the DMRG simulations applying to the ground state  $|\Psi_0\rangle$  the operator  $S_c^z$ , represented explicitly at the bottom of the input as

at the center of the ladder c = L/2 - 2 = 6 using the flag TSPSites 1 6. The code calculates then the correction vector

$$|x(\omega + i\eta)\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\omega - \hat{H} + E_0 + i\eta} S_c^z |\Psi_0\rangle$$
 (2)

for the frequency  $\omega = 0.275$  and  $\eta = 0.08$ . The expression in eq. (1) is calculated as

$$S_{j,c}(\omega + i\eta) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \left[ \langle \Psi_0 | S_j^z | x(\omega + i\eta) \rangle \right]$$
(3)

with

./dmrg -f input\_275.inp 'z',

where the option 'z' means that we are measuring in situ the spin operator  $S_j^z$  on all the sites of the ladder. In the output file runForinput\_275.cout, they are going to appear lines such as

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j re 0 <PSI|z|P2> <PSI|P2>
...
j im 0 <PSI|z|P3> <PSI|P3>
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where |P2> and |P3> represent the imaginary and real part of the correction vector  $|x(\omega+i\eta)\rangle$ , |PSI> the ground state, while im and re the numerical values of imaginary and real part of the correlator  $\langle \Psi_0|S_j^z|x(\omega+i\eta)\rangle$ . Collecting the data for all sites j allows us to calculate the  $S(q,\omega)$  in frequency momentum space.

In order to calculate the dynamical charge structure factor in frequency space

$$N_{j,c}(\omega + i\eta) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \left[ \langle \Psi_0 | (n_j - \langle n_j \rangle) \frac{1}{\omega - \hat{H} + E_0 + i\eta} (n_c - \langle n_c \rangle) | \Psi_0 \rangle \right], \tag{4}$$

one needs to first compute the local densities  $\langle n_i \rangle$  in the ground state as

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./observe -f input_L8x2.inp '<gs|n|gs>'.
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Then, one needs to produce files nx.txt for each site x of the ladder, including the fluctuation operators matrices  $(n_j - \langle n_j \rangle)$ . The local occupation operator is given by

With the above input parameters, for the center site of the ladder we have  $\langle n_c \rangle = 0.809363$ . Therefore, the fluctuation operator matrix is

and needs to be stored in a file n6.txt. Finally, the input file inputN\_275.inp to compute the dynamical charge correlation function at frequency  $\omega = 0.275$  is

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DegreesOfFreedom=1
GeometryKind=ladder
GeometryOptions=ConstantValues
Connectors 1 -1
Connectors 1 -1
LadderLeg=2

Model=HubbardOneBand

hubbardU 16 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

InfiniteLoopKeptStates=128
FiniteLoops 4
-14 200 2 14 200 2
-14 200 2 14 200 2

TargetElectronsUp=7
TargetElectronsDown=7

Solver Options = Correction Vector Targetting, two sited mrg, restart, use Svd, Matrix Vector Kron, minimize Disk Correction A=0

Version=version
Threads=4
RestartFilename=dataGS.txt
TruncationTolerance=1e-5
LanczosEps=1e-7

OutputFile=data275.txt

DynamicDmrgType=0
TSPSites 1 6
TSPLoops 1 1
TSPProductOrSum=sum
CorrectionVectorFreqType=Real

CorrectionVectorEta=0.08 CorrectionVectorAlgorithm=Krylov TridiagonalEps=1e-7 TridiagSteps=1000 Orbitals=1

GsWeight=0.1
CorrectionVectorOmega=0.275

The code above calculates then the correction vector

$$|w(\omega + i\eta)\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\omega - \hat{H} + E_0 + i\eta} (n_c - \langle n_c \rangle) |\Psi_0\rangle.$$
 (5)

The expression in eq. (4) is then calculated as

$$N_{j,c}(\omega + i\eta) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \left[ \langle \Psi_0 | (n_j - \langle n_j \rangle) | w(\omega + i\eta) \rangle \right]$$
 (6)

with

./dmrg -f inputN\_275.inp 'n\$.txt',

where the option 'n\$.txt' means that we are measuring in situ the charge operators  $n_j - \langle n_j \rangle$  on all the sites of the ladder. In the output file runForinput\_275.cout, they are going to appear lines such as

```
j re 0 <PSI|n$.txt|P2> <PSI|P2>
...
j im 0 <PSI|n$.txt|P3> <PSI|P3>
```

where |P2> and |P3> represent the imaginary and real part of the correction vector  $|w(\omega+i\eta)\rangle$ , |PSI> the ground state, while im and re the numerical values of imaginary and real part of the correlator  $\langle \Psi_0|(n_j-\langle n_j\rangle)|w(\omega+i\eta)\rangle$ . Collecting the data for all sites j allows us to calculate the  $N(q,\omega)$  in frequency momentum space.

The Krylov method for the computation of the correction vector has been discussed in ref. 1 and computational details are provided in its supplemental material. In both inputs input\_275.inp and inputN\_275.inp, notice the lines

CorrectionVectorAlgorithm=Krylov TridiagEps=1e-7 TridiagSteps=1000

where a maximum of 1000 iteration steps is set keeping the Lanczos error below  $10^{-7}$ .

<sup>1</sup> A. Nocera and G. Alvarez, Phys. Rev. E **94**, 053308 (2016), URL https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevE.94.053308.