Exact Diagonalization: Introduction

Condensed Matter Summer School 9/5-9/9

Matrix

Ingredients

Hilbert space

- Basis representation, Lookup techniques
- Symmetries

Hamiltonian Matrix

- Sparse Matrix representation (memory/disk)
- Matrix recalculation on the fly (matrix–free)

Linear Algebra : Eigensolver / Time propagation

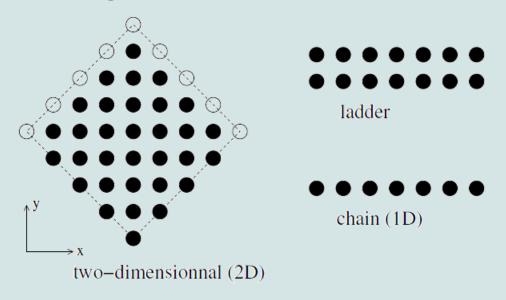
- ▶ LAPACK full diagonalization
- Lanczos type diagonalization (needs only operations)
- More exotic eigensolver techniques, imaginary-time propagation,

Observables

- Static quantities (multipoint correlation functions, correlation density matrices,...)
- Dynamic observables (spectral functions, density of states,...)
- Real-time evolution

Lattice model

Direct diagonalization of Hamiltonian matrix on finite clusters



- Hilbert space, Symmetries
- Hamiltonian matrix
- Linear Algebra
- Observables

Representation of Many-Body States

- Mapping to (binary) integers:
 - Spin-1/2 Heisenberg:

$$|j,m\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\downarrow\rangle$$

For example

$$\left|\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle\right. = \left|101\right\rangle = \left|5\right\rangle$$

- Hubbard:
 - For example





$$|01\rangle_{\downarrow}|10\rangle_{\uparrow}=6$$

Symmetries in ED I

- The inclusion of symmetries in an ED code has two major advantages:
 - Quantum number resolved energies and states.
 - Reduction of the Hilbert space to be diagonalized.
- Given group G with generators $\{g_p\}$
 - ► $[H, g_p] = 0$ → H block diagonal (Hilbert space can be divided)

Symmetries in ED II

Consider the simplest parent Hamiltonian, *the Heisenberg model* on a chain.

$$H = J \sum_i \mathbf{S}_i \mathbf{S}_{i+1}$$

- ightharpoonup The dimension of Hilber space is 2^N
 - ▶ For exapple $N = 20 \implies 2^{20} = 1048576 \cong 10^6$
 - To store a *real number* (*double precision*) in computer we need 8 Bytes.
 - To store the matrix element of the above Hamiltonian we need:
 - Number of bytes = $8 \cdot (10^6)^2 \cong 8000 \text{GB}$
- Considering the S_z symmetry
 - For example, the most amount of basis is total $S_z = 0$
 - ▶ 10 up–spin, 10 down–spin

$$C_{10}^{20} = \frac{20!}{10!10!} = 184756 \approx 10^5$$

Number of bytes = $8 (10^5)^2 \approx 80 \text{GB}$

Symmetries in ED III

Continuous:

- \rightarrow U(1) related symmetries
 - Conservation of particle number(s)
 - Conservation of total S_z
- \triangleright SU(2) symmetry
 - Difficult to implement together with spatial symmetries
 - For $S_z = 0$ an operation called "spin inversion (\mathbb{Z}_2)" splits the Hilbert space in even and odd spin sectors.
- Spatial symmetry groups:
 - Translation symmetry (abelian symmetry, therefore 1D irreps)
 - Pointgroup symmetries (in general non-abelian)

Sparse Matrix

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-t 0
                      U - t - t
H =
                         -t -t U
                                      U - t
                                      -t U
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Hamiltonian Matrix Storage

Different possibilities exist:

- Store Hamiltonian matrix elements in memory in a sparse matrix format
 - Fast matrix vector multiplies, but obviously limited by available memory.
- Store Hamiltonian matrix elements on disk in a sparse matrix format.
 - In principle possible due to the vast disk space available, but I/O speed is much slower than main memory access times. Difficult to parallelize.
- Recalculate the Hamiltonian matrix elements in each iterations "on the fly".
 - Needed for the cutting edge simulations, where the whole memory is used by the Lanczos vectors. Can be parallelized on most architectures.

Diagonalization routine

- ▶ If *H* is dense or system small enough
 - Use
 - Jacobi
 - Householder
 - **LAPACK**
 - **...**
 - (all these apply orthogonal transformations to *H* until tridiagonal form, then quickly diagonalize)
- If *H* is sparse
 - Use
 - ARPACK
 - ▶ IETL/ALPS
 - DiagHam
 - these are iterative solvers based on variants of Lanczos algorithm which preserves the sparseness of *H*)

LAPACK

- Complete diagonalization routine written in F77 (Fortran)
- Support all kind of data structure
 - Real, Real (double precision), complex, complex (double precision)
- Support most of matrix formation
 - Symmetric, Hermitian, Tri-digonal, ...
- Useful for:
 - Simple problems, testing
 - Matrix H dense
 - Many eigenstates required
- But
 - H must be stored
 - Entire matrix must be diagonalized

Linear Algebra I

Lanczos algorithm:

- C. Lanczos, J. Res. Natl. Bur. Stand. 45, 255 (1950).
- Iterative "Krylov" space method which brings matrices into tridiagonal form.
- Method of choice in many large-scale ED programs.
 - ▶ Works well for sparse, short–range *H*
 - Very rapid convergence but numerically unstable (can be controlled by a suitable techniques).
 - ▶ Easy to implement and memory efficient only 3 vectors needed at once
- If the ground state (energy) or some low energy spectrum is interesting, the Lanczos method may help us. Using Lanczos and considering the $S_z = 0$ symmetry of the model above, the required memory to get the ground state (energy) and few low lying states is:
 - Number of bytes $\approx 30 \times 184756 = 5542680$ Bytes ≈ 55 MB
 - The required memory is available as RAM in any personal computer.

Linear Algebra II

- "modified Lanczos" algorithm:
 - E. Gagliano, et al. Phys. Rev. B 34, 1677 (1986).
 - actually more like a Power–method, therefore rather slow convergence.
 - needs only two vectors in memory
 - At each step the approximate groundstate wavefunction is available
 - Difficult to get excited states
- Jacobi-Davidson Algorithm:
 - ▶ E. R. Davidson, Comput. Phys. 7, 519 (1993).
 - subspace expanded by diagonal approximation to inverse iteration
 - varying number of vectors in memory
 - higher-order convergence than Lanczos (usually)
 - Rapid convergence, especially for diagonally dominant matrices (Hubbard model)
 - Often used in DMRG programs as well.

Lanczos

$$b_{0} = 0 \qquad |\phi'\rangle = H|\phi_{n}\rangle - b_{n}|\phi_{n-1}\rangle$$

$$a_{n} = \langle \phi_{n}|\phi'\rangle$$

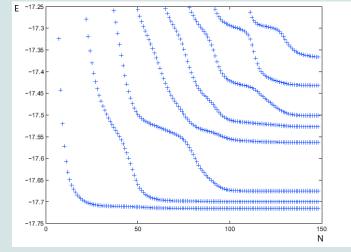
$$|\phi''\rangle = |\phi'\rangle - a_{n}|\phi_{n}\rangle$$

$$b_{n+1} = ||\phi''|| = \sqrt{\langle \phi''|\phi''\rangle}$$

$$|\phi_{n+1}\rangle = |\phi''\rangle / b_{n+1}$$

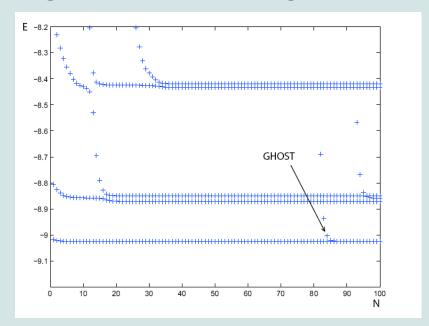
- At each step n, find the lowest eigenvalue of that matrix
- Stop when the lowest eigenvalue E_0 has converged ($\Delta E_0/E_0 < 10^{-12}$)

$$H^Nig|\phi_0ig
angle=a_Nig|\phi_Nig
angle$$
 , $|Nig
angle=rac{ig|\phi_Nig
angle}{\sqrt{ig\langle\phi_Nig|\phi_Nig
angle}}$, Krylov space



Roundoff errors and ghosts

- In exact arithmetic the vectors $\{\phi_i\}$ are orthogonal and the Lanczos iterations stop after at most N 1 steps. The eigenvalues of T are then the exact eigenvalues of H.
- Roundoff errors in finite precision cause a loss of orthogonality so that the matrix *T* contains extra spurious eigenvalues, called "ghosts".



Roundoff errors and ghosts

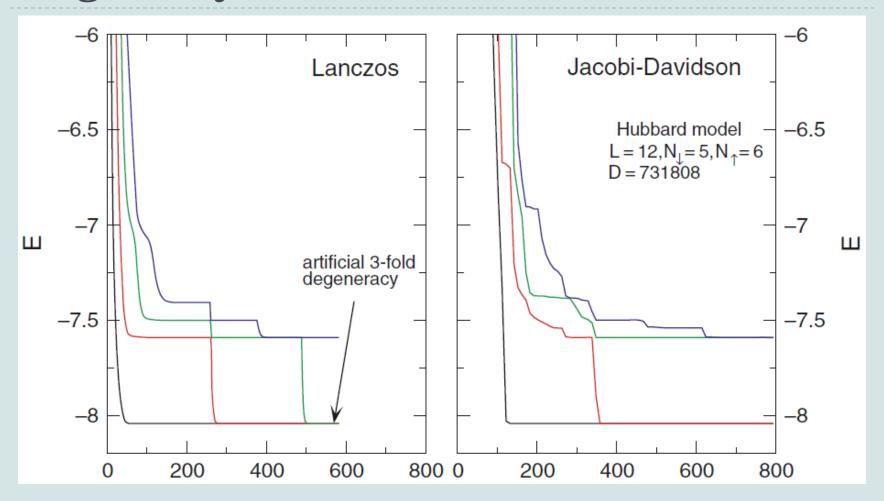
- There are two ways to deal with that:
 - Reorthogonalization of the vectors after every step. This requires storing all of the vectors $\{\phi_i\}$ and is memory intensive. (you don't want to do it)
 - Control of the effects of roundoff.
- We will discuss the second solution as it is faster and needs less memory.
- The main effect of roundoff errors is that the matrix *T* contains extra spurious eigenvalues, called "ghosts". These ghosts are not real eigenvalues of *H*.
- ▶ However they converge towards real eigenvalues of *H* over time and increase their multiplicities.

Roundoff errors and ghosts

A simple criterion distinguishes ghosts from real eigenvalues. Ghosts are caused by roundoff errors. Thus they do not depend on the starting vector ϕ_t . As a consequence these ghosts are also eigenvalues of the matrix T, which can be obtained from T by deleting the first row and column:

- Criterion to distinguish ghosts from real eigenvalues:
 - All multiple eigenvalues are real, but their multiplicities might be too large.
 - All single eigenvalues of *T* which are not eigenvalues of *T'* are also real.

Degenracy



Green's function-Continued fraction

Zero temperature Green's function

$$G_{ij}(t) = -i \langle \Omega | c_i(t) c_j^+(0) | \Omega \rangle$$

$$G_{ij}(\omega) = \left\langle \Omega \middle| c_i \, rac{1}{\omega - H + E_0} \, c_j^+ \middle| \Omega
ight
angle$$

Consider the diagonal element

$$\left|\phi_{i}
ight
angle = c_{i}^{\scriptscriptstyle +} \middle|\Omega
ight
angle \Rightarrow G_{ii} = \left\langle\phi_{i}\Bigg|rac{1}{\omega-H+E_{0}}\Bigg|\phi_{i}
ight
angle$$

Use the expansion

$$\frac{1}{z-H} = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{z^2}H + \frac{1}{z^3}H^2 + \cdots$$

Green's function-Continued fraction

- Truncated expansion evaluated exactly in Krylov subspace generated by $|\phi_i\rangle$
- We perform a Lanczos procedure on $|\phi_i\rangle$, then G_{ii} is given by Jacobi continued fraction

$$G_{ii} = rac{\left\langle \phi_i \left| \phi_i
ight
angle}{\omega - a_0 - rac{b_1^2}{\omega - a_1 - rac{b_2^2}{\omega - a_2 - \cdots}}$$

Green's function—Continued fraction

Non-diagonal element

$$G_{ij}^{+}(\omega) = \left\langle \Omega \middle| (c_i + c_j) \frac{1}{\omega - H + E_0} (c_i + c_j)^{+} \middle| \Omega \right\rangle$$

• Define $|\phi_k\rangle = (c_i + c_j)^+ |\Omega\rangle$, we obtain

$$G_{ij}^{+} = \frac{\left\langle \phi_{k} \middle| \phi_{k} \right\rangle}{\omega - a_{0} - \frac{b_{1}^{2}}{\omega - a_{1} - \frac{b_{2}^{2}}{\omega - a_{2} - \cdots}}$$

• Since $G_{ii} = G_{ii}$, then

$$G_{ij} = rac{1}{2}[G_{ij}^{+} - G_{ii} - G_{jj}]$$

Green's function-Lehmann representation

Lehmann representation

$$\begin{split} G_{ij}(\omega) &= \sum_{m} \left\langle \Omega \middle| c_{i} \middle| m \right\rangle \frac{1}{\omega - E_{m} + E_{0}} \left\langle m \middle| c_{j}^{+} \middle| \Omega \right\rangle + \sum_{n} \left\langle \Omega \middle| c_{j} \middle| n \right\rangle \frac{1}{\omega + E_{n} - E_{0}} \left\langle n \middle| c_{i}^{+} \middle| \Omega \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m} \frac{\left| \left\langle \Omega \middle| c_{i} \middle| m \right\rangle \middle|^{2}}{\omega - E_{m} + E_{0}} + \sum_{n} \frac{\left| \left\langle n \middle| c_{i}^{+} \middle| \Omega \right\rangle \middle|^{2}}{\omega + E_{n} - E_{0}} \\ &\left| \phi_{i} \right\rangle = c_{i}^{+} \middle| \Omega \right\rangle \;\;, \quad i = 1...L \end{split}$$

 Extended Krylov space form a band Hamiltonian (2L+1 diagonals)

$$H^{\scriptscriptstyle N}ig|\phi_iig
angle=lpha_i^{\scriptscriptstyle (N)}ig|\phi_i^{\scriptscriptstyle N}ig
angle$$
 , $i=1...L$

Green's function-Recursion

Green's function

$$G_{ij}(\omega) = \left\langle \Omega \middle| c_i \, rac{1}{\omega - H + E_0} \, c_j^+ \middle| \Omega
ight
angle = \left\langle \phi_1 \middle| rac{1}{\omega - H + E_0} \middle| \phi_1
ight
angle$$

$$\left|\phi_{i}
ight
angle = c_{i}^{\scriptscriptstyle +} \middle|\Omega
ight
angle$$
 , $i=1...L$

HQ = QT

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_{21} & b_{32} & \cdots \\ b_{21} & a_2 & b_{31} & b_{42} \\ b_{32} & b_{31} & a_3 & b_{41} \\ \vdots & b_{42} & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & b_{N-1,1} & a_{N-1} & b_{N,1} \\ & & & & b_{N,1} & a_N \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\phi}_1 & \mathbf{\phi}_2 & \mathbf{\phi}_3 & \cdots \end{bmatrix}$$
where $\mathbf{\phi}$ is calculated by hand Lanczos method.

• where φ_i is calcuated by band Lanczos method

Green's function–Recursion

Recursion

$$G_{ij}(\omega) = \mathbf{\phi}_1 \frac{1}{\omega - \mathbf{H} + E_0} \mathbf{\phi}_1$$

$$= \mathbf{\phi}_1 \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Q}^+ \frac{1}{\omega - \mathbf{H} + E_0} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Q}^+ \mathbf{\phi}_1$$

$$= \mathbf{\phi}_1 \mathbf{Q} \frac{1}{\omega - \mathbf{T} + E_0} \mathbf{Q}^+ \mathbf{\phi}_1$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{\omega - \mathbf{T} + E_0} \right]_{11}$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q}^{+}\mathbf{\phi}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\phi}_{1} \\ \mathbf{\phi}_{2} \\ \mathbf{\phi}_{3} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\phi}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Finite Temperature Lanczos Methods

- These methods (FTLM, LTLM) combine the Lanczos method and random sampling to go to larger systems.
- For high to moderate temperatures these methods can obtain results basically in the thermodynamic limit.
- The Low Temperature Lanczos Method can also go to low temperatures to get correct results on a given sample. Finite size effects however persist.
- Like the T = 0 ED method it is most useful, where QMC or T-DMRG etc fail, such as frustrated and fermionic models.

FTLM

In the canonical ensemble, the thermal average of a physical quantity A at finite–T in orthonormal basis $|n\rangle$ is defined as

$$raket{A} = rac{1}{Z} \sum_{n}^{N} \left\langle n \middle| A e^{-eta H} \middle| n
ight
angle$$
 $Z = \sum_{n}^{N} \left\langle n \middle| e^{-eta H} \middle| n
ight
angle$

High temperature expansion gives

$$\langle A \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n=0}^{N} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\beta)^{k}}{k!} \langle n | H^{k} A | n \rangle$$

$$Z = \sum_{n=0}^{N} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\beta)^{k}}{k!} \langle n | H^{k} | n \rangle$$

From two successive Lanczos procedures for two operators

$$\left\langle n \middle| H^k B H^l A \middle| n \right\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^M \sum_{j=0}^M \left\langle n \middle| \psi_i \right\rangle \! \left\langle \psi_i \middle| B \middle| \widetilde{\psi}_j \right\rangle \! \left\langle \widetilde{\psi}_j \middle| A \middle| n \right\rangle \! (\varepsilon_i)^k (\widetilde{\varepsilon}_j)^l$$

FTLM

• We obtain (k < M)

$$\langle n|H^kA|n\rangle=\sum_{i=0}^M\langle n|\psi_i^{(n)}\rangle\langle\psi_i^{(n)}|A|n\rangle(\varepsilon_i^{(n)})^k$$

- The superscript (n) means that $|\psi_i^{(n)}\rangle$ and $\varepsilon_i^{(n)}$ are obtained in Lanczos algorithm with the initial state $|\psi_i^{(n)}\rangle$
- Extend the results to k > M, the approximate expressions are

$$\langle A \rangle \approx \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n=0}^{N} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\beta)^{k}}{k!} \sum_{i=0}^{M} \langle n | \psi_{i}^{(n)} \rangle \langle \psi_{i}^{(n)} | A | n \rangle (\varepsilon_{i}^{(n)})^{k} = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n=0}^{N} \sum_{i=0}^{M} e^{-\beta \varepsilon_{i}^{(n)}} \langle n | \psi_{i}^{(n)} \rangle \langle \psi_{i}^{(n)} | A | n \rangle$$

$$Z \approx \sum_{n=0}^{N} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\beta)^{k}}{k!} \sum_{i=0}^{M} \langle n | \psi_{i}^{(n)} \rangle \langle \psi_{i}^{(n)} | n \rangle (\varepsilon_{i}^{(n)})^{k} = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n=0}^{N} \sum_{i=0}^{M} e^{-\beta \varepsilon_{i}^{(n)}} \langle n | \psi_{i}^{(n)} \rangle \langle \psi_{i}^{(n)} | n \rangle$$

 \blacktriangleright It is very expensive to calculate all n

FTLM

Stochastic sampling of Krylov space: Replace the summation of the full Hilbert space by a sum over random number of states

$$\langle A \rangle pprox rac{1}{Z} \sum_{s} \sum_{r}^{R} \sum_{i}^{M} e^{-eta arepsilon_{i}^{(r)}} \langle r | \psi_{i}^{(r)} \rangle \langle \psi_{i}^{(r)} | A | r \rangle$$
 $Z = \sum_{s} \sum_{r}^{R} \sum_{i}^{M} e^{-eta arepsilon_{i}^{(r)}} | \langle r | \psi_{i}^{(r)} \rangle |^{2}$

- Σ_s over symmetry sector of dimension N_s
- Σ_r over *R* random starting vectors $|r\rangle$

LTLM

Since FTLM is related to high–T expansion, i.e., $T \rightarrow \infty$ limit correct, the limit of $T \rightarrow 0$ does not lead to the ground state expectation value.

$$\langle A \rangle pprox rac{1}{Z} \sum_{s} \sum_{r}^{R} \sum_{i}^{M} \sum_{j}^{M} e^{-eta arepsilon_{i}^{(r)}/2} e^{-eta arepsilon_{j}^{(r)}/2} \langle r | \psi_{j}^{(r)}
angle \langle \psi_{j}^{(r)} | A | \psi_{i}^{(r)}
angle \langle \psi_{i}^{(r)} | r
angle$$
 $Z = \sum_{s} \sum_{r}^{R} \sum_{i}^{M} e^{-eta arepsilon_{i}^{(r)}} | \langle r | \psi_{i}^{(r)}
angle |^{2}$

- One more Lanczos procedure for each sampling
- In the limit of $T \rightarrow 0$

$$\langle A \rangle \approx \langle \psi_{\rm O} | A | \psi_{\rm O} \rangle$$

Strongly Correlated Systems

- Hubbard model
- Heisenberg model
- ightharpoonup High- T_c superconductor
- Quantum Phase Transitions

Applications

- Quantum Magnets: nature of novel phases, critical points in 1D, dynamical correlation functions in 1D & 2D
- Fractional Quantum Hall states: energy gaps, overlap with model states, entanglement spectra
- ⊗ Quantum dimer models or other constrained models (anyon chain..)
- ⊗ Full Configuration Interaction in Quantum Chemistry

Largest system reached

- ightharpoonup S = 1/2 spin models
 - > square lattice: N = 40
 - triangular lattice: N = 39
 - maximum dimension of basis: 1.5 billion
- $\rightarrow t-J$ models
 - checkerboard lattice with 2 holes: N = 32
 - > square lattice with 2 holes: N = 32
 - maximum dimension of basis: 2.8 billion
- Hubbard models
 - > square lattice at half filling: N = 20
 - quantum dot structure: N = 20
 - maximum dimension of basis: 3 billion
- Holstein models
 - chain with N = 14 + phonon pseudo-sites
 - maximum dimension of basis: 30 billion

Exact diagonalization is expensive!

Why use ED then?

- Robust, unbiased and completely versatile–almost anything can be calculated!
- There are models which are not easy to access via other models (e.g. frustrated magnets)
- Error is at least as low as 10^{-14} numerical precision
- Exploiting symmetries reduces computational effort and gives physical information about eigenstates (good quantum numbers)

The best we can do: Low-lying states

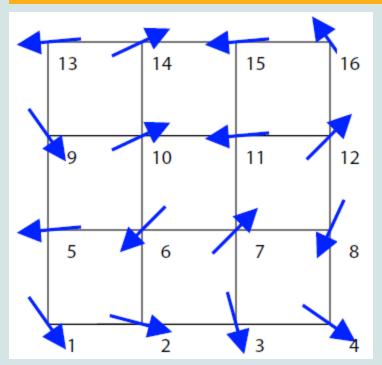
- Low-lying states sufficient for low-temperature physics;
- Low-lying states important for quantum phase transitions, e.g. magnetization jumps.
- Several methods available to obtain extreme eigenvalues: projection, Lanczos, DMRG.

Exact Diagonalization: Application

Spin-1/2

Heisenberg model

$$\mathcal{H} = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} \mathbf{S}_i \mathbf{S}_j + h \sum_i \mathbf{B} \mathbf{S}_i$$



Spin-1/2 system

Define ladder operators:

$$S_i^+ = S_i^x + iS_i^y$$
$$S_i^- = S_i^x - iS_i^y$$

The basis of Hilbert space

$$|j,m\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\downarrow\rangle$$

▶ The Hamiltonian becomes

$$H = J\sum_{ij} S_i^z S_j^z + [S_i^x S_j^x + S_i^y S_j^y] = J\sum_{ij} S_i^z S_j^z + \frac{1}{2} [S_i^+ S_j^- + S_i^- S_j^+]$$

Three spin-1/2 Heisenberg model

Non-periodic boundary condition

$$H = JS_1^z S_2^z + J \frac{1}{2} [S_1^+ S_2^- + S_1^- S_2^+] + JS_2^z S_3^z + J \frac{1}{2} [S_2^+ S_3^- + S_2^- S_3^+]$$

- ▶ The size of the system is $2^3 = 8$
- The trial basis states are

$$|\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = |000\rangle = |0\rangle$$

$$|\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = |001\rangle = |1\rangle$$

$$|\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = |010\rangle = |2\rangle$$

$$|\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = |011\rangle = |3\rangle$$

$$|\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = |100\rangle = |4\rangle$$

$$|\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = |101\rangle = |5\rangle$$

$$|\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = |110\rangle = |6\rangle$$

$$|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = |111\rangle = |7\rangle$$

The Hamiltonian matrix

The Hamiltonian in the given basis is

Magnetization

The magnetization is

$$M_z = \sum_i S_i^z$$

The size of the largest block is

$$M_z = 1/2 \text{ or } -1/2$$

$$C_1^3 = 3$$

The new basis states become

$$\begin{vmatrix} \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \rangle = |M_z = -\frac{3}{2}\rangle = |0\rangle \qquad \begin{vmatrix} \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \rangle = |M_z = \frac{1}{2}\rangle = |3\rangle \\ |\downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \rangle = |M_z = -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = |1\rangle \qquad |\uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \rangle = |M_z = \frac{1}{2}\rangle = |5\rangle \\ |\downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \rangle = |M_z = -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = |2\rangle \qquad |\uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \rangle = |M_z = \frac{1}{2}\rangle = |6\rangle \\ |\uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \rangle = |M_z = -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = |4\rangle \qquad |\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \rangle = |M_z = \frac{3}{2}\rangle = |7\rangle$$

Magnetization

▶ The Hamiltonian becomes

$$\begin{vmatrix}
-\frac{3}{2} & \frac{J}{2} \\
-\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{J}{2} \\
-\frac{1}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & -\frac{J}{2} & \frac{J}{2} \\
H = \begin{vmatrix}
-\frac{1}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & 0 \\
\frac{1}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & 0
\end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix}
\frac{1}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & \frac{J}{2} \\
\frac{1}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & 0
\end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix}
\frac{1}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & 0 \\
\frac{3}{2} & \frac{J}{2} & 0
\end{vmatrix}$$

How does the computer work

- \blacktriangleright Declare a vector A[m] to store basis states
- For example:

$$A[1] = 0$$
 $A[2] = 1$ $A[3] = 2$ $A[4] = 3$
 $A[5] = 4$ $A[6] = 5$ $A[7] = 6$ $A[8] = 7$

- Next, act *H* on the basis states
- For example:

$$H|A[3]\rangle = H|2\rangle = H|\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = \frac{J}{2}|\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + \frac{J}{2}|\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = \frac{J}{2}|1\rangle + \frac{J}{2}|4\rangle$$

Then, we need to find out the corresponding index with respect to the basis

$$|1\rangle = |A[2]\rangle$$
, $j_1 = 2$
 $|4\rangle = |A[5]\rangle$, $j_2 = 5$

How does the computer work

- ▶ The most efficient way: declare a vector B[m], m = 0 to 7
- Therefore we have

$$B[0] = 1$$
 $B[1] = 2$ $B[2] = 3$ $B[3] = 4$
 $B[4] = 5$ $B[5] = 6$ $B[6] = 7$ $B[7] = 8$

and

$$B[A[2]] = 2 = j_1$$

 $B[A[4]] = 4 = j_2$

The matrix elements are

$$H(i, j_1) = H(3,2) = \frac{J}{2}$$

 $H(i, j_2) = H(3,4) = \frac{J}{2}$

Two-Table method

- Divide lattice to two sublattice
- ► For example: site-1,2 and site-3

$$i = 2^{2}i_{3} + i_{1,2}$$

$$j = j_{3} + j_{1,2}$$

$$|\downarrow\rangle \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1$$

$$|\downarrow\rangle \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 2$$

$$|\downarrow\rangle \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad 3$$

$$|\downarrow\rangle \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad 4$$

$$|\uparrow\rangle \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 5$$

$$|\uparrow\rangle \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 6$$

$$|\uparrow\rangle \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad 7$$

$$|\uparrow\rangle \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \quad 3 \quad 3 \quad 8$$

Two spin-3/2 Heisenberg model

$$H = JS_1^z S_2^z + J \frac{1}{2} [S_1^+ S_2^- + S_1^- S_2^+]$$

▶ The size of the system is $4^2 = 16$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \rangle \\ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \rangle & \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2} \rangle \end{vmatrix}$$

Two-bit per-site

$$\begin{aligned} &|00\rangle = \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \\ &|01\rangle = \left| -\frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \\ &|10\rangle = \left| \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \\ &|11\rangle = \left| \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 00 \ 00 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 10 \ 00 \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 00 \ 01 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 10 \ 01 \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 00 \ 10 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 10 \ 10 \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 00 \ 11 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 10 \ 11 \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 01 \ 00 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 11 \ 01 \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 01 \ 10 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 11 \ 10 \right\rangle \\ &|-\frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 01 \ 11 \right\rangle \quad \left| \frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle = \left| 11 \ 11 \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Magnetization $M_z = -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 00 \ 00 \right\rangle \\ \left| -\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 00 \ 01 \right\rangle \ \left| -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 01 \ 00 \right\rangle \\ \left| -\frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 00 \ 10 \right\rangle \ \left| -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 01 \ 01 \right\rangle \ \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 10 \ 00 \right\rangle \\ \left| -\frac{3}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 00 \ 11 \right\rangle \ \left| -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 01 \ 10 \right\rangle \ \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 10 \ 01 \right\rangle \ \left| \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 11 \ 00 \right\rangle \\ \left| -\frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 01 \ 11 \right\rangle \ \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 11 \ 10 \right\rangle \\ \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 10 \ 11 \right\rangle \ \left| \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle &= \left| 11 \ 10 \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

The Basis and lookup tables

$$A[1] = 0$$
 $A[2] = 1$ $A[3] = 4$ $A[4] = 2$ $A[5] = 5$ $A[6] = 8$ $A[7] = 3$ $A[8] = 6$ $A[9] = 9$ $A[10] = 12$ $A[11] = 7$ $A[12] = 10$ $A[13] = 13$ $A[14] = 11$ $A[15] = 14$ $A[16] = 15$ $B[0] = 1$ $B[1] = 2$ $B[2] = 4$ $B[3] = 7$ $B[4] = 3$ $B[5] = 5$ $B[6] = 8$ $B[7] = 11$ $B[8] = 6$ $B[9] = 9$ $B[10] = 12$ $B[11] = 14$ $B[12] = 10$ $B[13] = 13$ $B[14] = 15$ $B[15] = 16$

Hamiltonian matrix elements

Exact Diagonalization: Application

Hubbard Model

Hubbard Model

$$\mathcal{H} = -t \sum_{\langle ij
angle \sigma} c^{\scriptscriptstyle +}_{i\sigma} c^{\phantom +}_{i\sigma} + \sum_i U \hat{n}^{\phantom +}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}^{\phantom +}_{i\downarrow}$$

UHO
$$\varepsilon + U$$

LHO ε

1 2 3 4

Atomic Ground State (t = 0)

Four possible occupation of a single site









A. Non-interacting electrons

$$H_0 = \sum_{ij} t_{ij} c_i^+ c_j^-$$

Assume ϕ_j to be Wannier wave functions (Fourier transform of Bloch orbitals)

$$t_{ij} = \left\langle \phi_i \middle| -rac{\hbar^2
abla^2}{2m} + \hat{
u} \middle| \phi_j
ight
angle$$

Assume t_{ij} is non–zero only when i,j are nearest neighbors

$$H_0 = -t\sum_{ij} \left(c_i^+ c_j^- + c_j^+ c_i^- \right)$$

Diagonalize the Hamiltonian by a Fourier transformation

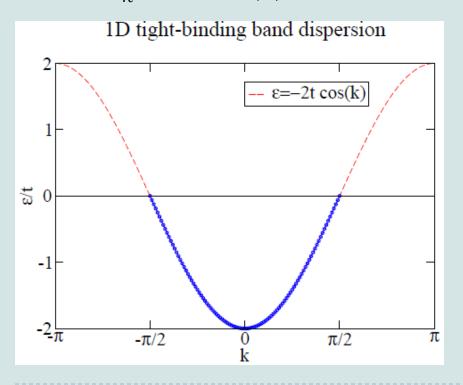
$$c_k^+ = rac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sum_j e^{ikj} c_j^+$$

A. Non-interacting electrons

Then the Hamiltonian in ϕ_i basis becomes

$$H_0 = \sum_k \varepsilon_k c_k^{\scriptscriptstyle +} c_k^{\scriptscriptstyle -}$$

where $\varepsilon_k = -2t \cos(k)$



$$ig|GSig
angle = \prod_{k < k_F} c_{k\uparrow}^{\scriptscriptstyle +} c_{k\downarrow}^{\scriptscriptstyle +} ig|0ig
angle$$

A. Non-interacting electrons

Particle-hole excitation

$$H_0ig|\psi_nig
angle=H_0c_{k+q\uparrow}^+c_{k\uparrow}ig|GSig
angle=arepsilon_{kq}ig|\psi_nig
angle$$

where
$$\varepsilon_k(q) = \varepsilon_{k+q} - \varepsilon_k$$

As the energy of the particle-hole excitation $\varepsilon_k(q)$ can be made arbitrarily small, $|GS\rangle$ characterizes a metal.

B. Electron-electron interaction

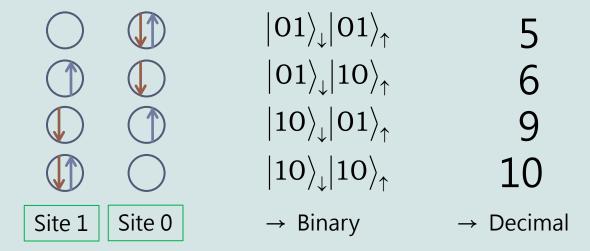
Two-site case

$$H = H_{t} + H_{U} = -t(c_{0\uparrow}^{+}c_{1\uparrow}^{-} + c_{1\uparrow}^{+}c_{0\uparrow}^{-} + c_{0\downarrow}^{+}c_{1\downarrow}^{-} + c_{1\downarrow}^{+}c_{0\downarrow}^{-}) + U(n_{0\uparrow}^{-}n_{0\downarrow}^{-} + n_{1\uparrow}^{-}n_{1\downarrow}^{-})$$

B. Electron-electron interaction

- Organizing the Hilbert space
 - Operators commute with Hamiltonian
 - Number operator $N = \sum n_{i\sigma}$
 - Total $S_z = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} (n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow})$
- The structure of the Hamiltonian will be block diagonal where each block corresponds to a fixed value of N and S_z
- For example: N = 2, the size of this block is $C_2^4 = 6$, which is also the largest block of the Hamiltonian matrix
 - Case 1: $S_z = 0$
 - The size is 4
 - Case2: $S_z = -1$
 - The size is 1
 - \sim Case3: $S_z = 1$
 - The size is 1

N=2 and $S_z=0$



Declare a matrix A(1:4)

$$A(1) \rightarrow 5$$

$$A(2) \rightarrow 6$$

$$A(3) \rightarrow 9$$

$$A(4) \rightarrow 10$$
Basis States

N=2 and $S_z=0$: Diagonal elements

Basis states

$$|\varphi_1\rangle = |A(1)\rangle = |5\rangle = |01\rangle_{\downarrow}|01\rangle_{\uparrow}$$

• Acting on-site Coulomb interaction H_U on the basis states

$$H_{U} = \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \langle 01|_{\uparrow} \langle 01| \\ \downarrow \langle 01|_{\uparrow} \langle 10| \\ \downarrow \langle 10|_{\uparrow} \langle 01| \\ \downarrow \langle 10|_{\uparrow} \langle 10| \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ U \end{array}$$

N=2 and $S_z=0$: Off-Diagonal elements

 \blacktriangleright Acting hopping terms H_t on the basis states

$$\begin{split} \left| \varphi_{1} \right\rangle &= \left| A(1) \right\rangle = \left| 5 \right\rangle = \left| 01 \right\rangle_{\downarrow} \left| 01 \right\rangle_{\uparrow} = c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle \\ H_{t} \left| \varphi_{1} \right\rangle &= -t (c_{0\uparrow}^{+} c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\uparrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow} + c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{1\downarrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\downarrow}) c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle \\ &= -t c_{1\uparrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow} c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle - t c_{1\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\downarrow} c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle \\ &= +t c_{1\uparrow}^{+} c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle - t c_{1\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} c_{0\downarrow} c_{0\downarrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle \\ &= -t c_{0\downarrow}^{+} c_{1\uparrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle - t c_{1\downarrow}^{+} c_{0\uparrow}^{+} c_{0\downarrow} c_{0\downarrow}^{+} \left| 0 \right\rangle \\ &= -t \left| \varphi_{2} \right\rangle - t \left| \varphi_{3} \right\rangle \end{split}$$

How does the computer work to come out the same results?

N=2 and $S_z=0$: Off-Diagonal elements

 \triangleright Acting hopping terms H_t on the basis states

$$\begin{split} \left|\phi\right\rangle &= \left|\phi\right\rangle_{\downarrow} \left|\phi\right\rangle_{\uparrow} = \left[c_{r_{1}\downarrow}^{+} \cdots c_{r_{N}\downarrow}^{+}\right] \left|0\right\rangle_{\downarrow} \left[c_{r_{1}\uparrow}^{+} \cdots c_{r_{N}\uparrow}^{+}\right] \left|0\right\rangle_{\uparrow} \\ c_{r_{i}\uparrow}^{+} c_{r_{j}\uparrow} \left|\phi\right\rangle &= c_{r_{i}\uparrow}^{+} c_{r_{j}\uparrow} \left|\phi\right\rangle_{\downarrow} \left|\phi\right\rangle_{\uparrow} \\ &= c_{r_{i}\uparrow}^{+} c_{r_{j}\uparrow} \left[c_{r_{1}\downarrow}^{+} \cdots c_{r_{N}\downarrow}^{+}\right] \left|0\right\rangle_{\downarrow} \left[c_{r_{1}\uparrow}^{+} \cdots c_{r_{N}\uparrow}^{+}\right] \left|0\right\rangle_{\uparrow} \\ &= \left[c_{r_{1}\downarrow}^{+} \cdots c_{r_{N}\downarrow}^{+}\right] \left|0\right\rangle_{\downarrow} \left(-1\right)^{N} \left(-1\right)^{N} c_{r_{i}\uparrow}^{+} c_{r_{j}\uparrow} \left[c_{r_{1}\uparrow}^{+} \cdots c_{r_{N}\uparrow}^{+}\right] \left|0\right\rangle_{\uparrow} \\ &= \left|\phi\right\rangle_{\downarrow} c_{r_{i}\uparrow}^{+} c_{r_{j}\uparrow} \left|\phi\right\rangle_{\uparrow} \end{split}$$

 \triangleright Count the number of electrons between site i and site j

$$egin{aligned} c_{1\uparrow}^{+}c_{0\uparrow}ig|\phi_{1}ig
angle &=c_{1\uparrow}^{+}c_{0\uparrow}c_{0\downarrow}^{+}c_{0\uparrow}^{+}ig|0ig
angle &=(-1)^{0}ig|\phi_{2}ig
angle \\ c_{1\uparrow}^{+}c_{0\uparrow}ig|\phi_{1}ig
angle &=c_{1\downarrow}^{+}c_{0\downarrow}c_{0\downarrow}^{+}c_{0\uparrow}^{+}ig|0ig
angle &=(-1)^{0}ig|\phi_{3}ig
angle \end{aligned}$$

N=2 and $S_z=0$: Off-Diagonal elements

Similar to other basis states

$$H_{t}|\phi_{1}\rangle = -t|\phi_{2}\rangle - t|\phi_{3}\rangle$$

$$H_{t}|\phi_{2}\rangle = -t|\phi_{1}\rangle - t|\phi_{4}\rangle$$

$$H_{t}|\phi_{3}\rangle = -t|\phi_{1}\rangle - t|\phi_{4}\rangle$$

$$H_{t}|\phi_{4}\rangle = -t|\phi_{2}\rangle - t|\phi_{3}\rangle$$

Therefore in these basis states, the Hamiltonian has the following matrix representation.

$$H_{t} = \frac{\sqrt{01} \sqrt{01}}{\sqrt{10} \sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} -t & -t \\ -t & -t \\ -t & -t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sqrt{10} \sqrt{10} \sqrt{10} \begin{pmatrix} -t & -t \\ -t & -t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sqrt{10} \sqrt{10} \sqrt{10} \begin{pmatrix} -t & -t \\ -t & -t \end{pmatrix}$$

N=2 and $S_z=-1$, 1

For $S_z = 1$, the basis state is

$$\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \rightarrow |00\rangle_{\downarrow} |11\rangle_{\uparrow}$$

$$|\phi\rangle = |OO\rangle_{\downarrow}|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle_{\uparrow}$$

$$H_t |\phi\rangle = 0$$
 and $H_U |\phi\rangle = 0$

For $S_z = -1$, the basis state is

$$|\phi\rangle = |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle\downarrow|00\rangle_{\uparrow}$$

$$H_t |\phi\rangle = 0$$
 and $H_U |\phi\rangle = 0$

N = 0 Block Diagonal Structure

$$\downarrow \langle 00|_{\uparrow} \langle 11| \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \downarrow \langle 01|_{\uparrow} \langle 01| \\ U - t - t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_{t} = \downarrow \langle 01|_{\uparrow} \langle 10| \\
\downarrow \langle 10|_{\uparrow} \langle 01| \\
\downarrow \langle 10|_{\uparrow} \langle 10| \\
\downarrow \langle 11|_{\uparrow} \langle 00| \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-t - t \\
-t \\
-t - t \\
0$$

The Block Diagonal Structure

Two-Table method

For example: Up configuration and Down configuration

$$i = 2^{2}i_{1} + i_{2}$$
 $j = j_{1} + j_{2}$

$$\begin{vmatrix}
00\rangle & 0 & 0 & |11\rangle & 3 & 1 & 1 \\
|01\rangle & 1 & 1 & |01\rangle & 1 & 1 & 2 \\
|01\rangle & 1 & 1 & |10\rangle & 2 & 2 & 3 \\
|10\rangle & 2 & 3 & |01\rangle & 1 & 1 & 4 \\
|10\rangle & 2 & 3 & |10\rangle & 2 & 2 & 5 \\
|11\rangle & 3 & 5 & |00\rangle & 0 & 1 & 6$$

How to implement

- Use subroutine (in Fortran 77 or c), module (in Fortran 90/95/2003), or object (in c++ or python) to structure your code
- Write an object (here it means subroutine, module, or object in different language) to store the symmetrized basis states and lookup table
- Write an object to calculate the matrix elements and assign it to a matrix
- Call the diagonalization routine using LAPACK/ARPACK/...
- Write an object to calculate the observable quantities

Main piece of wisdom

DO NOT start writing your own code from the scratch (unless really forced to)