QMC Part I

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1 Part I

2 Simple power method

2.1 2x2 Matrix

Consider a Hamiltonian whose matrix form is shown in Eq:1. This Hamiltonian has two eigenvectors and two eigenvalues. Let the two eigenvectors be $\mathbf{u_0}$ and $\mathbf{u_1}$. Then consider ν any arbitrary trial vector which is not an eigenvector of Eq:1 but belongs to the 2x2 space. Any such trial vector can always be written in the form shown in Eq:2.

$$\nu = c_0 \mathbf{u_0} + c_1 \mathbf{u_1} \tag{2}$$

The key idea is the realization that the ground state of the Hamiltonian 1 given by $\mathbf{u_0}$ can be extracted from ν by the repeated application of a filter G(H). This filter systematically purifies ν to obtain the ground state $\mathbf{u_0}$ provided $c_0 > 0$, i.e. the trial vector ν has a non-zero projection on the ground state.

The form of the filter is inspired from the power method where a successive application of the Hamiltonian followed by the substraction of the residual leads to a convergent series of vectors. The limiting value of this convergent series is one of the extremal eigenvectors of the Hamiltonian. Following this, our filter G(H) can be written as 3

$$\hat{G}(H) = \left(\mathbf{1} - \tau(\hat{H} - E_T \mathbf{1})\right) \tag{3}$$

The convergent series of vectors is then $\{\nu^{(0)}, \nu^{(1)}, \nu^{(2)}, \dots, \nu^{(n)}\}$ where $\nu^{(k)}$ is given by 4

$$\nu^{(k+1)} = \hat{G}(H)\nu^{(k)} \tag{4}$$

Using Eq:2, Eq:4 can be written as 5

$$\nu^{(k+1)} = c_0 (1 - \tau (E_0 - E_T))^{(k)} \mathbf{u_0} + c_1 (1 - \tau (E_1 - E_T))^{(k)} \mathbf{u_1}$$
 (5)

From Eq:5, we can see that a repeated application of the filter Eq:3 with a trial guess energy E_T will result in the series converging geometrically to either E_0 or E_1 depending on the choice of E_T .

Here we shall show an example using the Hamiltonian given in Eq:1. In the case of a 2x2 Hamiltonian, and any general trial vector $[c_0, c_1]$, the recursion relations for the calculation of $c_0^{(k)}$ and $c_1^{(k)}$ are straight forward and given by Eq:6,7.

$$c_0^{(k+1)} = (\mathbf{1} - \tau (\nu_0 - E_T)) c_0^{(k)} + \tau t c_1^{(k)}$$
(6)

$$c_1^{(k)} = \tau t c_0^{(k)} + (\mathbf{1} - \tau (\nu_1 - E_T)) c_1^{(k)}$$
(7)

These are the working equations. As an example, we begin with the initial set of values given as follows:

\nu_0=1

 $nu_1=2$

t=1

\tau=0.1

E_T=3

c_0=0.31622776601683794

c_1=0.9486832980505138

The iteration can begin with these as starting values. The output is given in shown in the Figure:1.

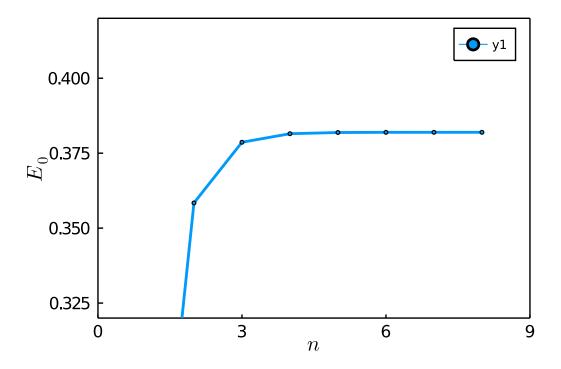


Figure 1: Convergence of the Local energy as a function of iterations.

2.2 3x3 Matrix

A demonstration of all the different variants of QMC requires more than two states. Here we show a Hamiltonian with 3 states. The matrix form of the Hamiltonian is shown in Eq:8.

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_0 & -t & -t \\ -t & v_1 & -t \\ -t & -t & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (8)

The trial vector can be written as shown in Eq:9.

$$\nu = c_0 \mathbf{u}_0 + c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + c_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \tag{9}$$

The three coefficients required are c_0 , c_1 , and c_2 . The recurrence relations for the three coefficients shown in Eq:10, Eq:11, Eq:12, and Eq:13.

$$\nu^{(k+1)} = c_0 (1 - \tau (E_0 - E_T))^{(k)} \mathbf{u_0} + c_1 (1 - \tau (E_1 - E_T))^{(k)} \mathbf{u_1}$$
 (10)

$$c_0^{(k+1)} = (\mathbf{1} - \tau (\nu_0 - E_T)) c_0^{(k)} + \tau t c_1^{(k)} + \tau t c_2^{(k)}$$
(11)

$$c_1^{(k)} = \tau t c_0^{(k)} + (\mathbf{1} - \tau (\nu_1 - E_T)) c_1^{(k)} + \tau t c_2^{(k)}$$
(12)

$$c_2^{(k)} = \tau t c_0^{(k)} + \tau t c_1^{(k)} + (\mathbf{1} - \tau (\nu_2 - E_T)) c_2^{(k)}$$
(13)

 $nu_0=1$

 $nu_1=2$

 $nu_2=3$

t=1

\tau=0.05

E_T=3

c_0=0.4082482904638631

c_1=-0.8164965809277261

c_1=0.4082482904638631

The iteration can begin with these as starting values. The output is given in shown in the Figure:2.

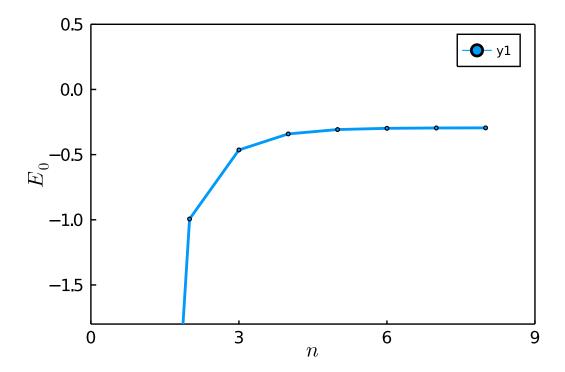


Figure 2: Convergence of the Local energy as a function of iterations.