

Recent developments in DMRG

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DMRG is a variational method

$$\text{System energy } E(\psi) = \frac{\langle \psi | H | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle}$$

Minimization w.r.t. $|\psi\rangle \Rightarrow$ ground state $|\psi_0\rangle + O(\epsilon)$ and $E_0 + O(\epsilon^2)$

DMRG wave function: Matrix-Product State

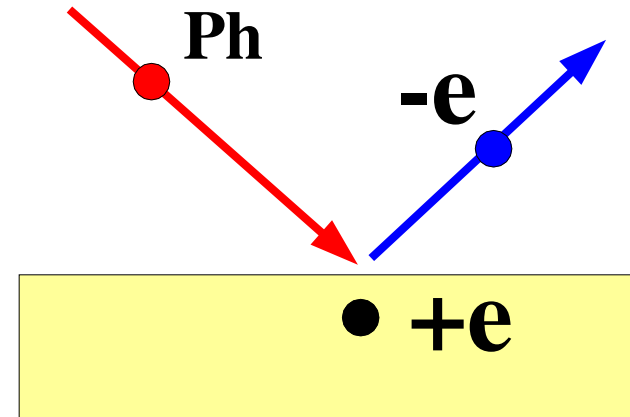
$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N\}} (M_1[s_1] \cdot M_2[s_2] \cdot \dots \cdot M_N[s_N]) |s_1\rangle |s_2\rangle \dots |s_N\rangle$$

with $M_i[s_i] = m \times m$ matrix and $|s_i\rangle, s_i = 1, \dots, n_i =$ basis states of site i

Exact wave function for $m \rightarrow \sqrt{\mathcal{D}} = \sqrt{n_1 n_2 \dots n_N}$

[S. Östlund and S. Rommer, Phys. Rev. Lett. **75**, 3537 (1995); PRB **55**, 2164 (1997)]

Photoemission



ARPES spectrum = spectral functions

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\sigma}(k, \omega \leq 0) &= \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \text{Im} G_{\sigma}(k, \hbar\omega - i\eta) \\ &= \sum_n |\langle n | \hat{c}_{k,\sigma} | \psi_0 \rangle|^2 \delta(E_n - E_0 + \hbar\omega) \\ G_{\sigma}(k, \hbar\omega - i\eta) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \langle \psi_0 | \hat{c}_{k,\sigma}^{\dagger} \frac{1}{\hat{H} - E_0 + \hbar\omega - i\eta} \hat{c}_{k,\sigma} | \psi_0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Dynamical correlation functions with DMRG

$$\chi_{\hat{A}}(\omega + i\eta) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \langle \psi_0 | \hat{A}^\dagger \frac{1}{E_0 + \omega + i\eta - \hat{H}} \hat{A} | \psi_0 \rangle$$

Lanczos vector method

[K. Hallberg, PRB **52**, 9827 (1995)]

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi_0\rangle &= \hat{A}|\psi_0\rangle \\ |\phi_1\rangle &= \hat{H}|\phi_0\rangle - a_0|\phi_0\rangle \\ |\phi_{n+1}\rangle &= \hat{H}|\phi_n\rangle - a_n|\phi_n\rangle - b_n^2|\phi_{n-1}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$\rho_L = \psi_0\psi_0^* + \text{Lanczos vectors}$

Correction vector method

[S. Ramasesha et al., Synth. Met. **85**, 1019 (1997),
T.D. Kühner and S.R. White, PRB **60**, 335 (1999)]

$$|CV\rangle = \frac{1}{E_0 + \omega + i\eta - \hat{H}} \hat{A}|\psi_0\rangle$$

$$\chi_{\hat{A}}(\omega + i\eta) = \frac{-1}{\pi} \langle \psi_0 | \hat{A}^\dagger | CV \rangle$$

$\rho_{CV} = \psi_0\psi_0^* + \text{correction vectors}$

Variational principle for dynamical correlation functions

[E. Jeckelmann, PRB **66**, 045114 (2002)]

Functional

$$W_{\hat{A},\eta}(\omega, \psi) = \langle \psi | \left(\hat{H} - \omega - E_0 \right)^2 + \eta^2 | \psi \rangle + \eta \langle \psi | \hat{A} | \psi_0 \rangle + \eta \langle \psi_0 | \hat{A}^\dagger | \psi \rangle$$

Minimization with respect to ψ

$$|\psi_{\min}\rangle = \frac{-\eta}{(E_0 + \omega - \hat{H})^2 + \eta^2} \hat{A} |\psi_0\rangle + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

$$W_{\hat{A},\eta}(\omega, \psi_{\min}) = -\pi\eta \operatorname{Im} \chi_{\hat{A}}(\omega + i\eta) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \chi_{\hat{A}}(\omega + i\eta) = \frac{-1}{\pi\eta} \langle \psi_0 | \hat{A}^\dagger (\hat{H} - E_0 - \omega) | \psi_{\min} \rangle$$

Note

$$|\psi_{\min}\rangle \xrightarrow{(\eta \rightarrow 0)} -\pi \langle \psi_n | \hat{A} | \psi_0 \rangle \delta(\omega - E_n + E_0) |\psi_n\rangle$$

$$|CV\rangle = \frac{\hat{H} - E_0 - \omega + i\eta}{\eta} |\psi_{\min}\rangle$$

Dynamical DMRG (DDMRG)

[E. Jeckelmann, PRB 66, 045114 (2002)]

For the spectral function ($\hat{A} = \hat{c}_{k,\sigma}$)

$$W_{k,\sigma,\eta}(\omega, \psi) = \langle \psi | \left(\hat{H} + \omega - E_0 \right)^2 + \eta^2 | \psi \rangle + \eta \langle \psi | \hat{c}_{k,\sigma} | \psi_0 \rangle + \eta \langle \psi_0 | \hat{c}_{k,\sigma}^\dagger | \psi \rangle$$

Minimization of $W_{k,\sigma,\eta}(\omega, \psi)$ with a regular DMRG algorithm and

$\rho_{\text{CV}} = (\psi_0 \psi_0^* + \psi_{\text{min}} \psi_{\text{min}}^* + \text{first Lanczos vector})$ yields

$$\begin{aligned} A_\sigma^\eta(k, \omega) &= \text{Im } G_\sigma(\hbar\omega - i\eta) \\ &= \frac{-1}{\pi\eta} W_{k,\eta}(\omega, \psi_{\text{min}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' A_\sigma(\omega') \frac{\eta}{(\omega - \omega')^2 + \eta^2} \end{aligned}$$

Spectrum in the thermodynamic limit

[E. Jeckelmann, PRB 66, 045114 (2002)]

Lehmann spectral representation

$$I(\omega) = \text{Im}\chi_{\hat{A}}(\omega) = \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \frac{\eta}{\pi} \frac{|\langle \psi_n | \hat{A} | \psi_0 \rangle|^2}{(\omega - E_n + E_0)^2 + \eta^2}$$

Using $\eta(N) > \eta_0(N)$ with $\eta(N \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow 0$

$$I(\omega) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \frac{\eta(N)}{\pi} \frac{|\langle \psi_n | \hat{A} | \psi_0 \rangle|^2}{(\omega - E_n + E_0)^2 + \eta(N)^2}$$

Dense spectrum: $\eta_0(N) > E_{n+1}(N) - E_n(N)$

Discrete spectrum: $\eta_0(N) = 0$

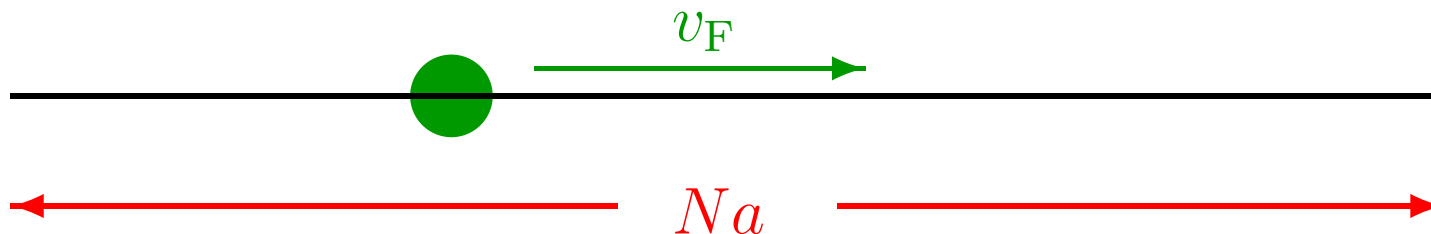
Methods

- convolution of an infinite-system spectrum for comparison
- extrapolation or scaling analysis for $N \rightarrow \infty, \eta(N) \rightarrow 0$
- deconvolution of finite-system spectrum
(fit to a smooth infinite-system spectrum)

One-dimensional systems

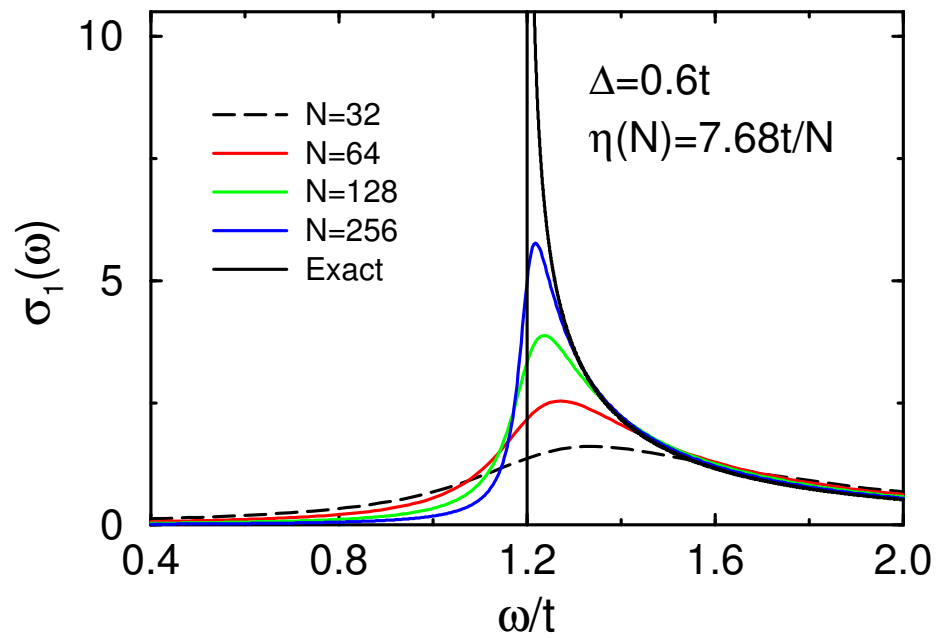
- $\eta(N) = cN^{-1}$ with $c >$ effective band width W
- $\eta^{-1} \sim$ measurement time Δt
- One-dimensional electron gas (Fermi velocity $v_F \approx \frac{W a}{2}$)

$$v_F \Delta t < \frac{N a}{2}$$

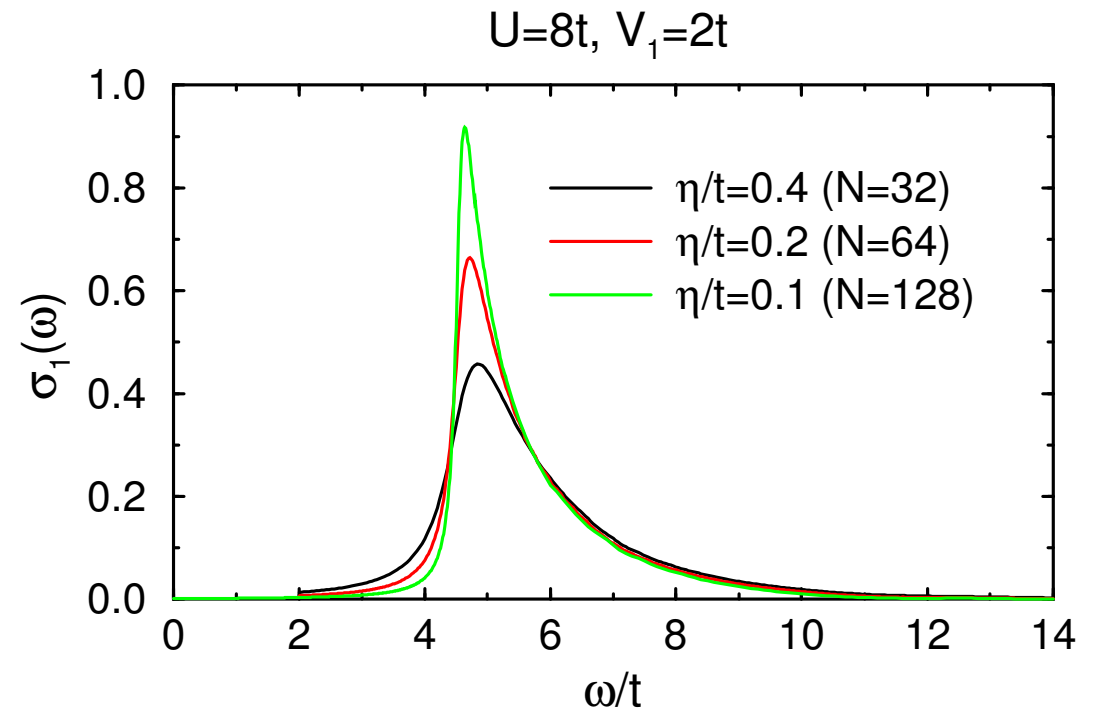


Examples: Optical conductivity of one-dimensional insulators

Peierls insulator



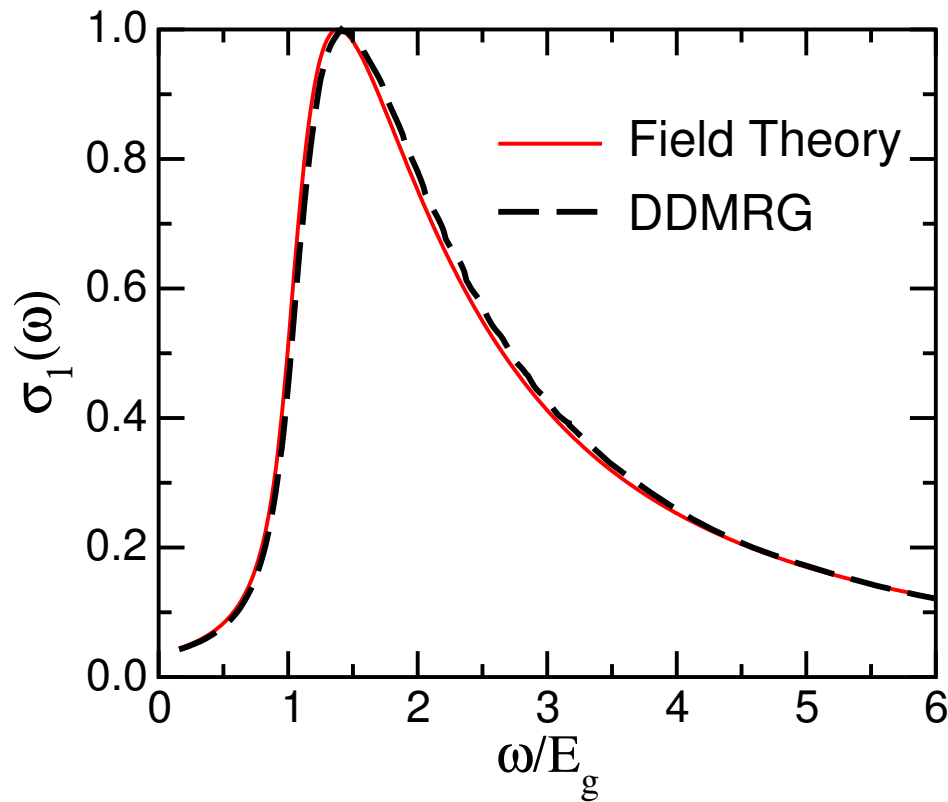
Half-filled 1D extended Hubbard model



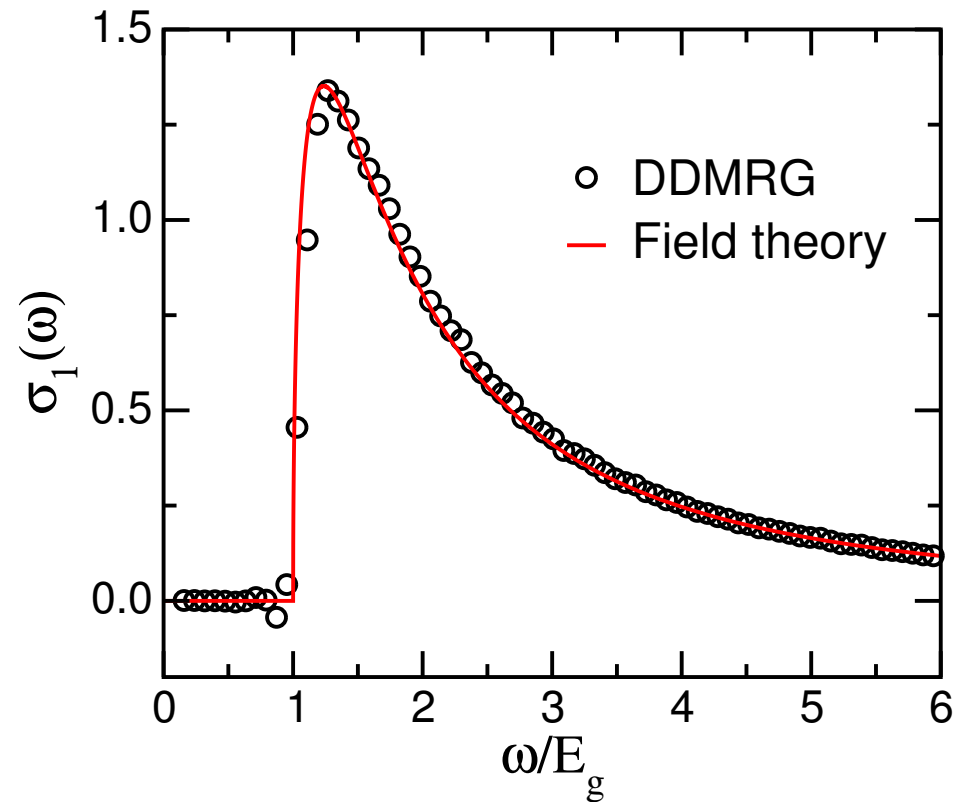
Optical conductivity of the 1D Hubbard model

(Half filling, $U = 3t$)

Broadening $\eta = 0.1t$



No broadening/deconvolved



Jeckelmann, Gebhard and Essler, PRL 85, 3910 (2000)
Jeckelmann and Fehske, cond-mat/0510637

Quasi-momentum for open boundary conditions

[H. Benthien, F. Gebhard, and E. Jeckelmann, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 256401 (2004)]

Periodic boundary conditions

⇒ Bloch wavefunctions for momenta (wavevectors)

$$\hat{c}_{k\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} \hat{c}_{n\sigma} \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{N} z \quad \text{with } z = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \frac{N}{2}$$

Open boundary conditions

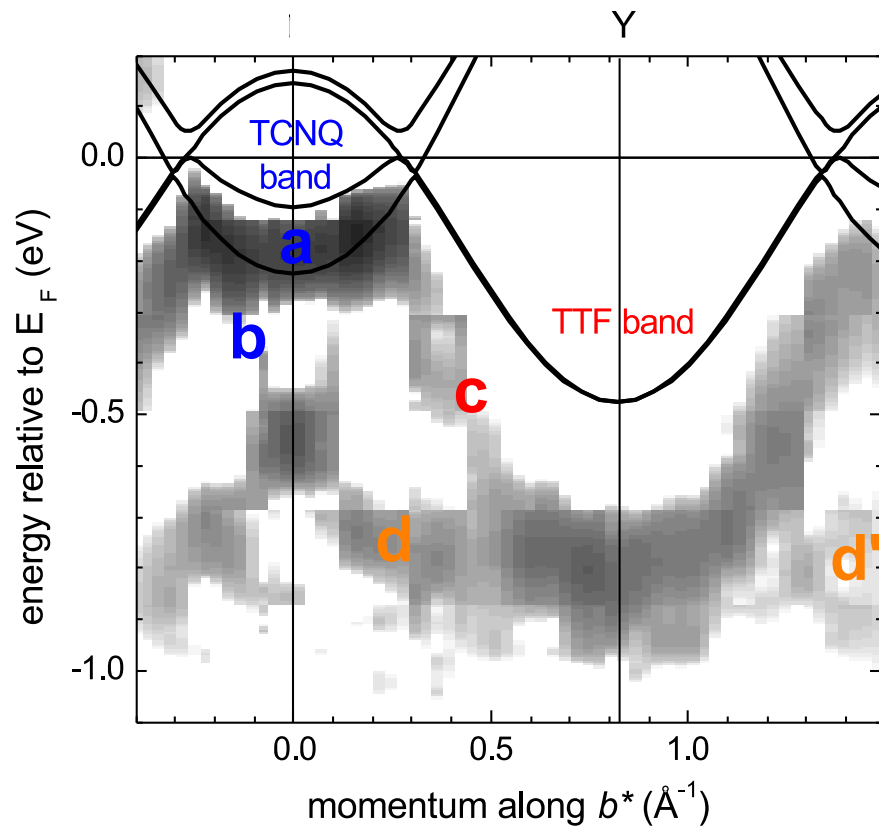
⇒ particle-in-the-box wavefunctions for quasi-momenta

$$\hat{c}_{k\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N+1}} \sum_n \sin(kn) \hat{c}_{n\sigma} , \quad k = \frac{\pi}{N+1} j \quad \text{with } j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

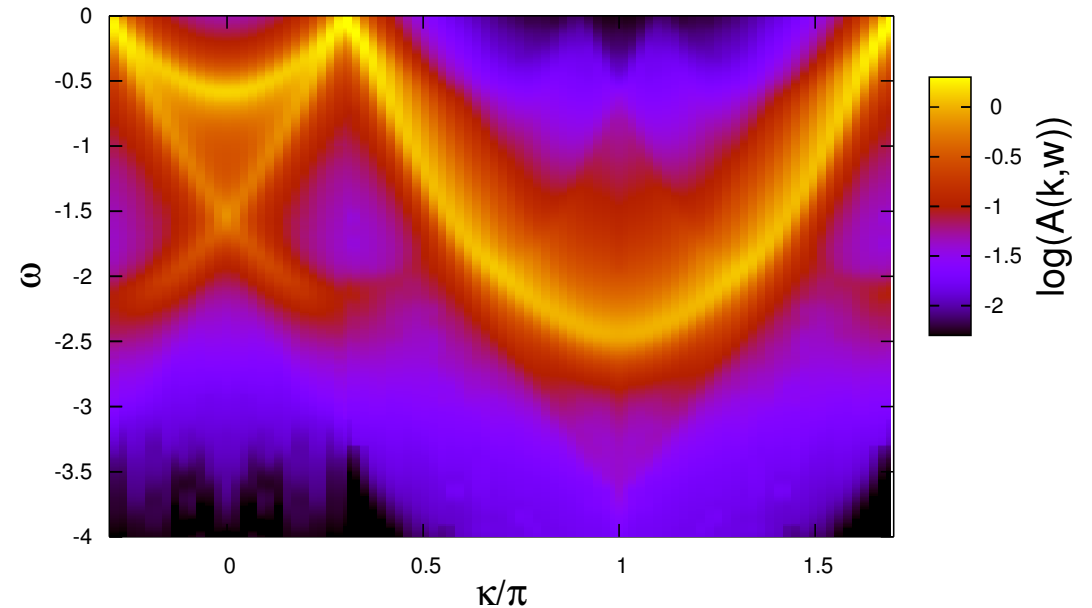
ARPES spectrum of TTF-TCNQ

[R. Claessen *et al.*, PRL 88, 096402 (2002); M. Sing *et al.*, PRB 68, 125111 (2003)]
[Benthien, Gebhard, and Jeckelmann, PRL 92, 256401 (2004)]

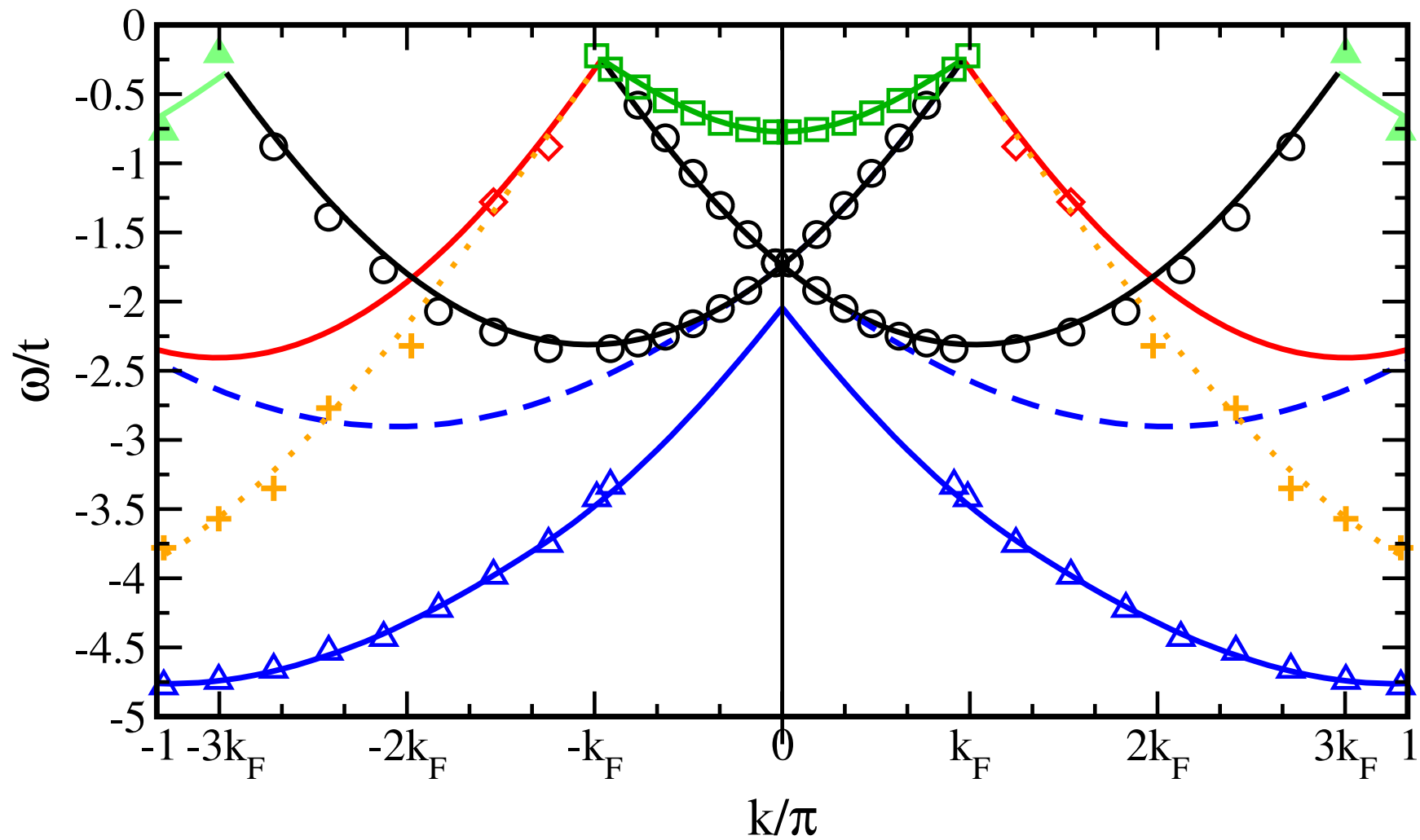
Experiment



Hubbard model



DDMRG vs Bethe Ansatz ($\rho = 0.6, U = 4.9t$)



Spectral properties of SrCuO₂

[H. Benthien and E. Jeckelmann, e-print cond-mat/0606748]

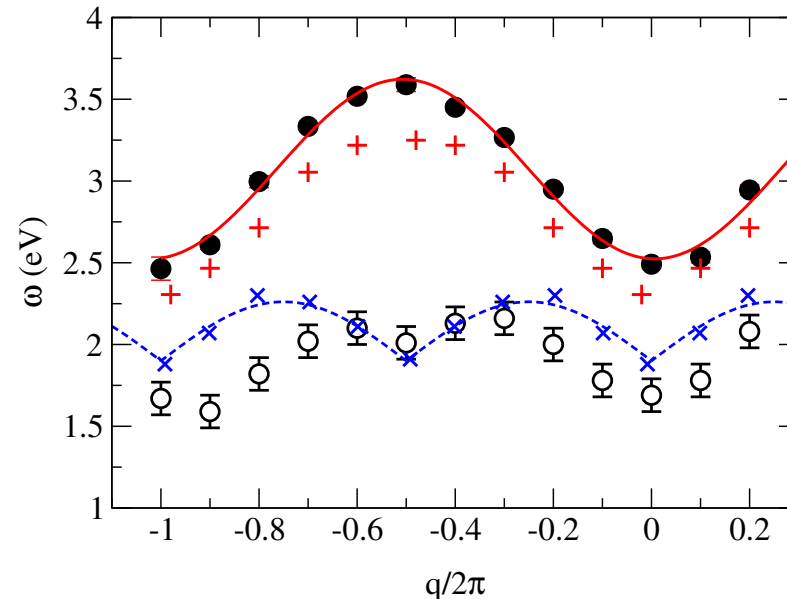
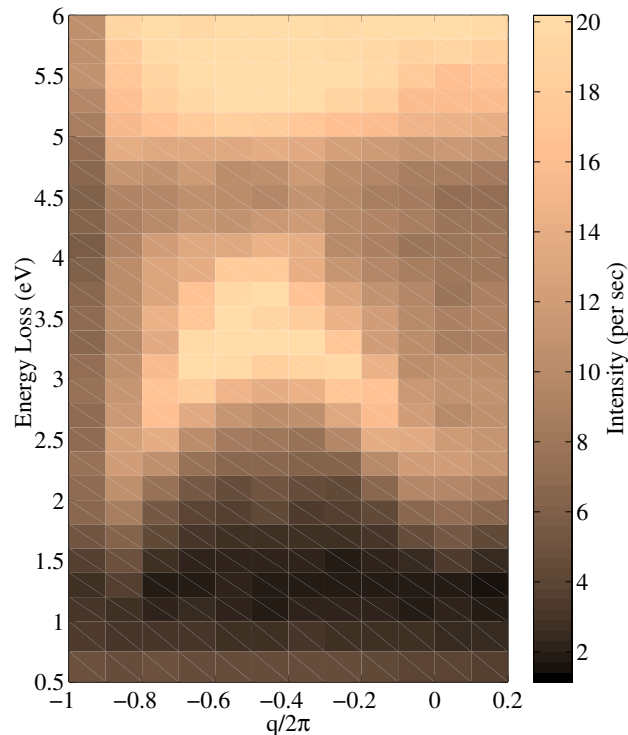
Quantitative description of

- optical absorption,
- angle-resolved photoemission spectrum,
- resonant inelastic X-ray scattering (RIXS),
- and neutron scattering

with the one-dimensional half-filled extended Hubbard model

RIXS spectrum

[Y.-J. Kim *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 137402 (2004)]



$$\epsilon_c(k) \sim 2t \cos(q)$$

$$\epsilon_s(k) \sim \frac{\pi J}{2} |\sin(q)|$$

DMRG and quantum information theory: A new perspective

The Hilbert space truncation in DMRG is optimal because

- $\|\psi_{\text{exact}} - \psi_{\text{DMRG}}\|$ is maximal
[Noack and White in I. Peschel *et al.*, Density Matrix Renormalization, Springer, 1999]
- the maximal entanglement between system and environment is preserved
[G. Vidal *et al.*, PRL **90**, 227902 (2003)]

Measure of entanglement: Von Neumann entropy

$$S = -\text{Tr} \rho \ln_2(\rho) = -\sum_{\mu} \lambda_{\mu} \ln_2(\lambda_{\mu})$$

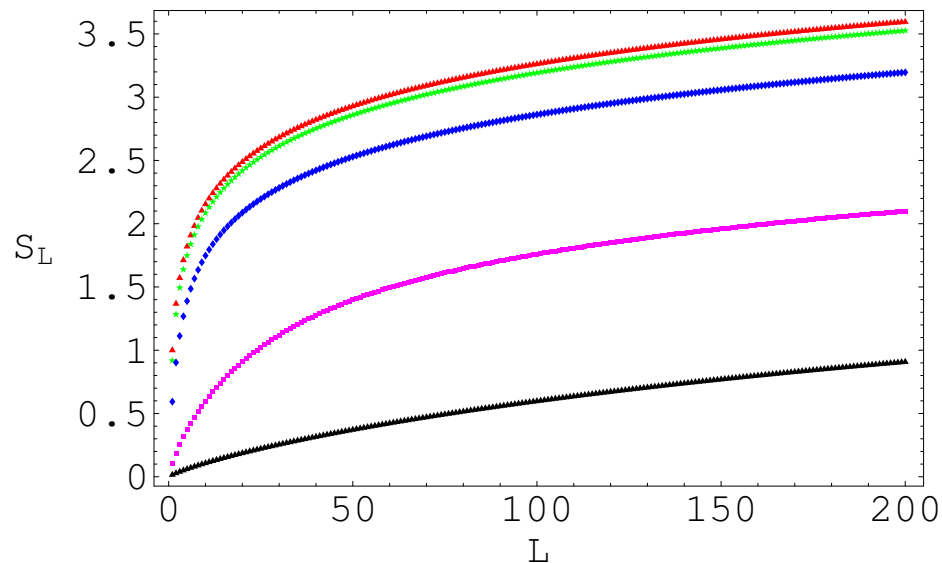
Examples

- $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_{\mu>1} = 0 \Rightarrow S = 0$, i.e. no entanglement
- $\lambda_{\mu} = 1/m \Rightarrow S = \ln_2(m)$, i.e. maximal entanglement

Entanglement entropy S_L of a L -site cluster in an infinite chain

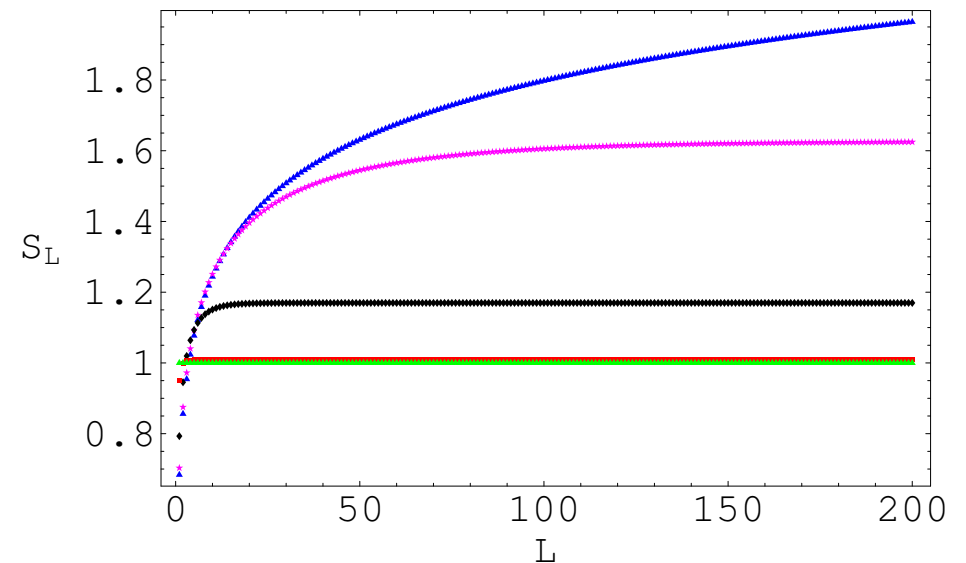
- S_L diverges for $L \rightarrow \infty$ at criticality
- S_L saturates for $L \rightarrow \infty$ in the non-critical regime

Isotropic XX chain in a magnetic field



S_L vanishes for $H = H_c$

Ising chain in a transverse field



$S_L = 0$ for $H = 0$

S_L diverges at criticality $H = H_c$

[Latorre, Rico, and Vidal, arXiv:quant-ph/0304098]

Geometric arguments $\Rightarrow S_L \sim L^{d-1}$ for a hypercubic cluster in dimension $d > 1$

Number of density matrix eigenstates $m(L)$ **for a fixed accuracy**
in the thermodynamic limit $L \rightarrow \infty$

- In $d = 1$ away from criticality, $m(L) \rightarrow$ finite value
- In $d = 1$ at criticality, $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} m(L) = \infty$
- For $d > 1$, $m(L) \sim n^{L^{d-1}}$

Optimization using entanglement entropy (for non-local systems)

DMRG procedure = successive density-matrix truncations

- Fixed number m of density-matrix eigenstates is not optimal
- Dynamical block state selection is better: $P_m \leq \text{const.}$
[Legeza *et al.*, PRB 67, 125114 (2003)]
- Even better: quantum information loss $\chi(S) \leq \text{const.}$
[Legeza and Sólyom, PRB 70, 205118 (2004)]

Site ordering in non-local systems

- Optimal ordering using quantum information entropy
[Legeza and Sólyom, PRB 68, 195116 (2003)]

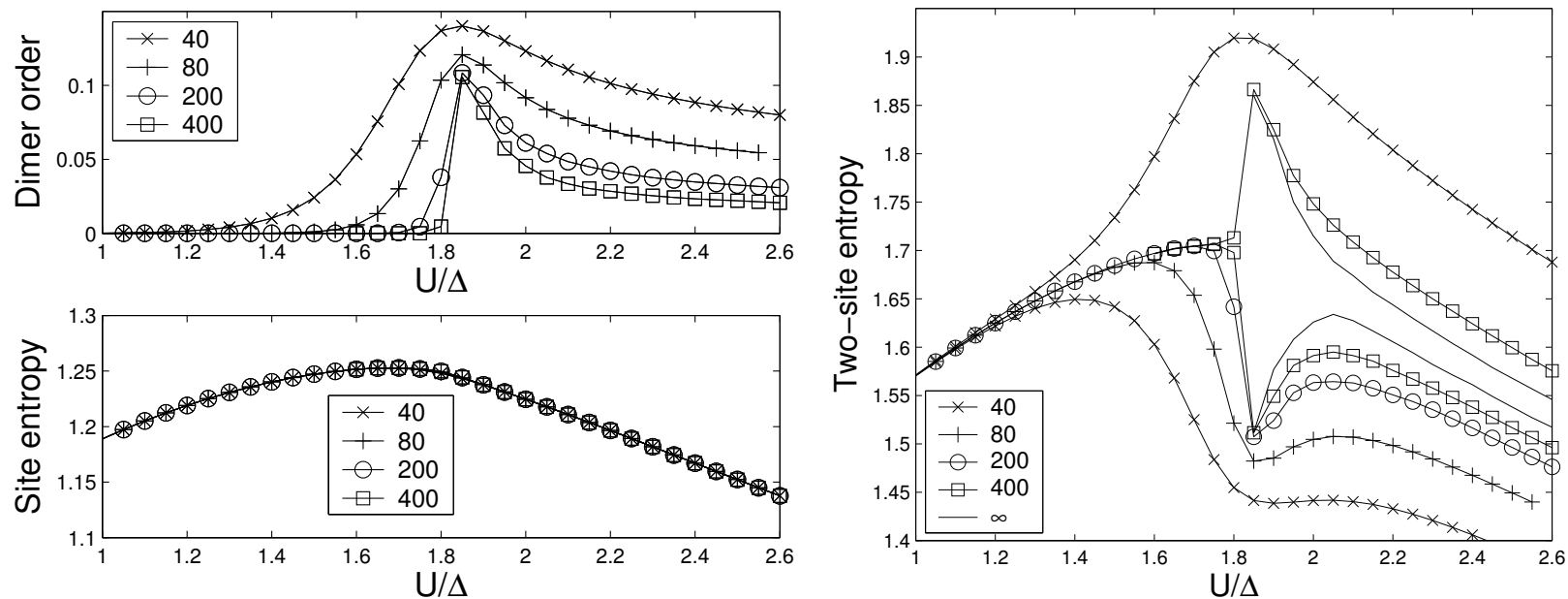
Entropy and quantum phase transitions

Quantum phase transition \equiv singularity in the ground state entanglement
[Wu, Sarandy, and Lidar, PRL 93, 250404 (2004)]

Problem: measure of entanglement ?

- Cluster entropy S_L for $L \rightarrow \infty$ [G. Vidal *et al.*, PRL 90, 227902 (2003)]
- Concurrence (only for spin systems) [A. Osterloh, Nature 416, 608 (2005)]
- One-site entropy (often insensitive) [Gu *et al.*, PRL 93, 086402 (2004)]
- Two-site entropy [Legeza and Sólyom, PRL 96, 116401 (2006)]

Ionic Hubbard model ($\Delta = t$)



Variational matrix-product states

Reformulation of DMRG as a variational optimization of matrix-product states

[F. Verstraete, D. Porras, and J.I. Cirac, PRL **93**, 227205 (2004)]

- As good as DMRG for open chains
- In theory, improvement for periodic systems
- In theory, extension to higher dimensions with projected entangled pair states (PEPS)

[F. Verstraete and J. I. Cirac, cond-mat/0407066]

Time-dependent DMRG

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(t)}{\partial t} = H(t)\psi(t)$$

First approach: integration in a static superblock (Runge-Kutta)

- $\rho = \psi_0 \psi_0^*$ (incorrect)

[Cazalilla and Marston, PRL 88, 256403 (2002)]

- $\rho = \sum_i \psi(t_i) \psi^*(t_i)$ (not practical)

[Luo, Xiang, and Wang, PRL 91, 049701 (2003)]

Second approach: Taylor-expansion of $\exp(-iHt)$

- $\rho = \sum_n \psi_n \psi_n^*$ with $\psi_n = H^n \psi(t=0)$ (not practical)

[Schmitteckert, PRB 70, 121302 (2004)]

Vidal's algorithm [G. Vidal, PRL **93**, 040502 (2004)]

Only one-dimensional nearest-neighbor Hamiltonians

$$H = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} H_{k,k+1}$$

Trotter-Suzuki decomposition

$$\exp(-iH\tau) = \prod_{k=1}^{N/2} \exp(-i\tau H_{2k-1,2k}) \prod_{k=1}^{N/2-1} \exp(-i\tau H_{2k,2k+1}) + \mathcal{O}(\tau^2)$$

(More accurate for higher order decomposition)

Matrix-product representation

$$\exp(-i\tau H_{k,k+1})\psi(t) \Rightarrow M_k[s_k], M_{k+1}[s_{k+1}] \rightarrow M'_k[s_k], M'_{k+1}[s_{k+1}]$$

Time step = sweep through the lattice $k = 1, \dots, N - 1$

$$\psi(t + \tau) = \exp(-i\tau H)\psi(t)$$

(Adaptive) time-dependent DMRG (t-DMRG)

[A.J. Daley, C. Kollath, U. Schollwöck, and G. Vidal, JSTAT (2004);
S.R. White and A.E. Feiguin, PRL **93**, 076401 (2004)]

Efficient implementation of Vidal's algorithm within DMRG

The DMRG superblock basis is adapted at every step

$$\rho(t, k) = \psi(t, k)\psi^*(t, k)$$

DMRG step: Adding one site to the left block or to the right block

$$\psi(t, k+1) = \exp(-i\tau H_{k,k+1})\psi(t, k) \quad \text{or} \quad \psi(t, k) = \exp(-i\tau H_{k,k+1})\psi(t, k+1)$$

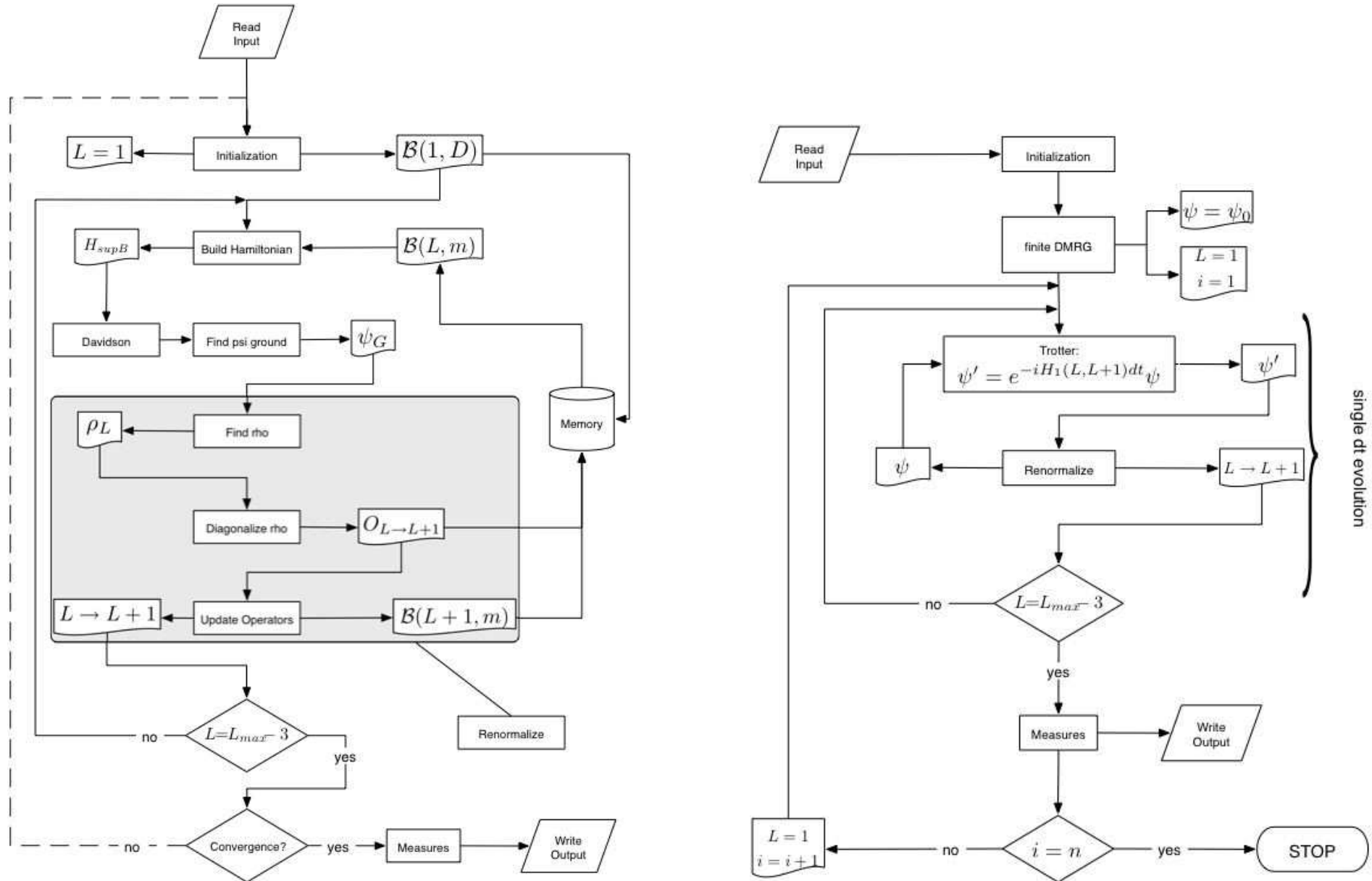
Time step = one sweep from (L) left to right or (R) right to left

$$(L) \quad \psi(t + \tau) = \psi(t, k = N) = \exp(-i\tau H)\psi(t, k = 1) = \exp(-i\tau H)\psi(t)$$

$$(R) \quad \psi(t + \tau) = \psi(t, k = 1) = \exp(-i\tau H)\psi(t, k = N) = \exp(-i\tau H)\psi(t)$$

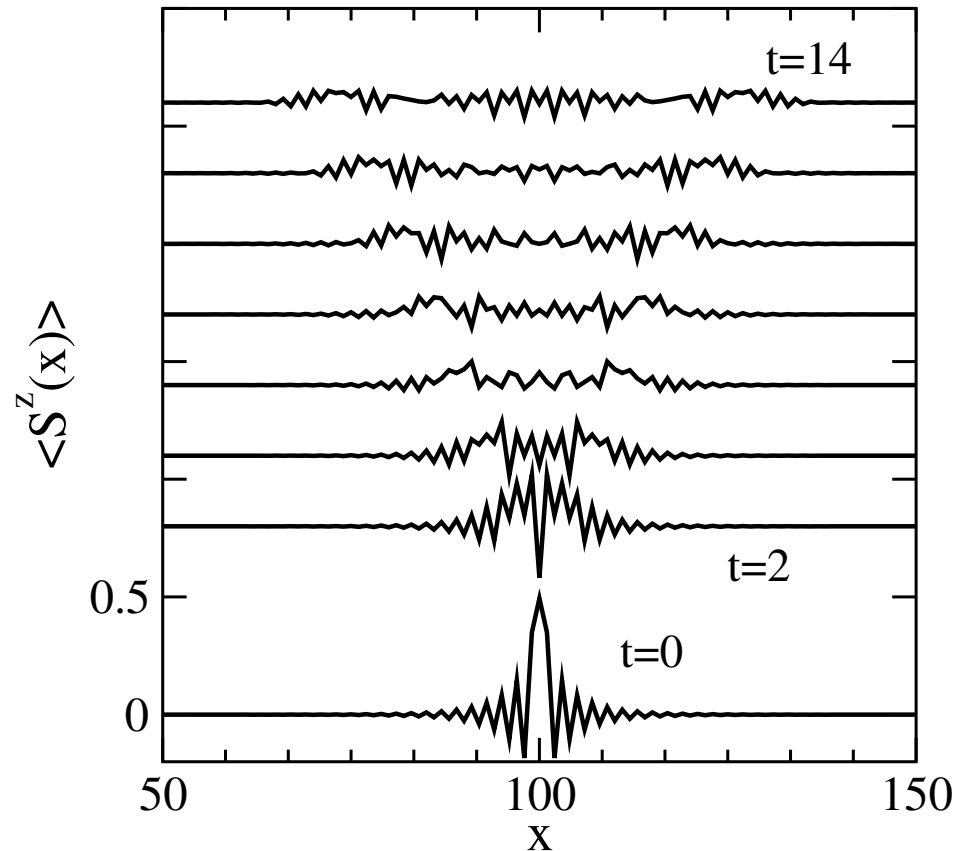
For longer-range interactions or higher dimensions: Adaptive Runge-Kutta approach
[Feiguin and White, PRB **72**, 020404 (2005)]

t-DMRG code



From De Chiara *et al.*, e-print arXiv:cond-mat/0603842

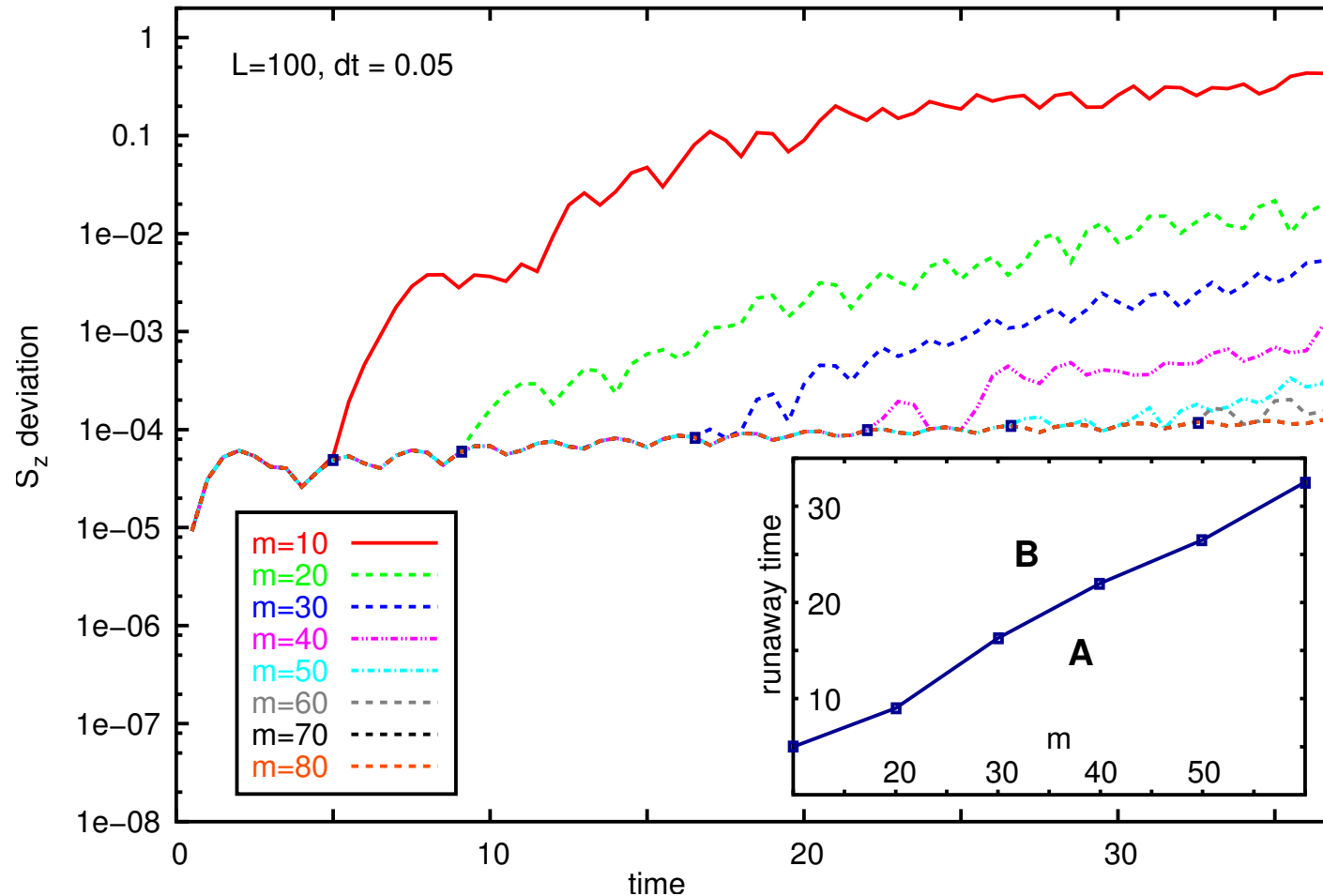
Spin chain dynamics



Time evolution of the local magnetization $\langle S^z(x) \rangle$ of a 200 site spin-1 Heisenberg chain after $S^+(100)$ is applied ($\tau = 0.1$).

From S.R. White and A.E. Feiguin, PRL **93**, 076401 (2004)

Problem: runaway time

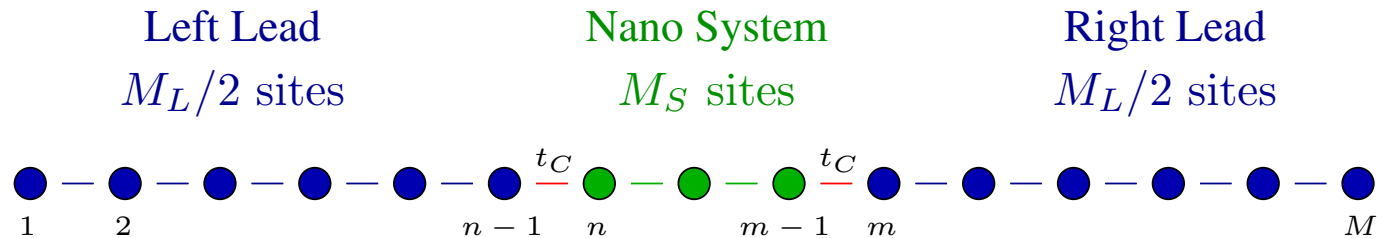


Error in the local magnetization as a function of time in the XX model ($\tau = 0.05$).

From Gobert, Kollath, Schollwöck, Schütz, PRE **71**, 036102 (2005)

Transport through nanostructures

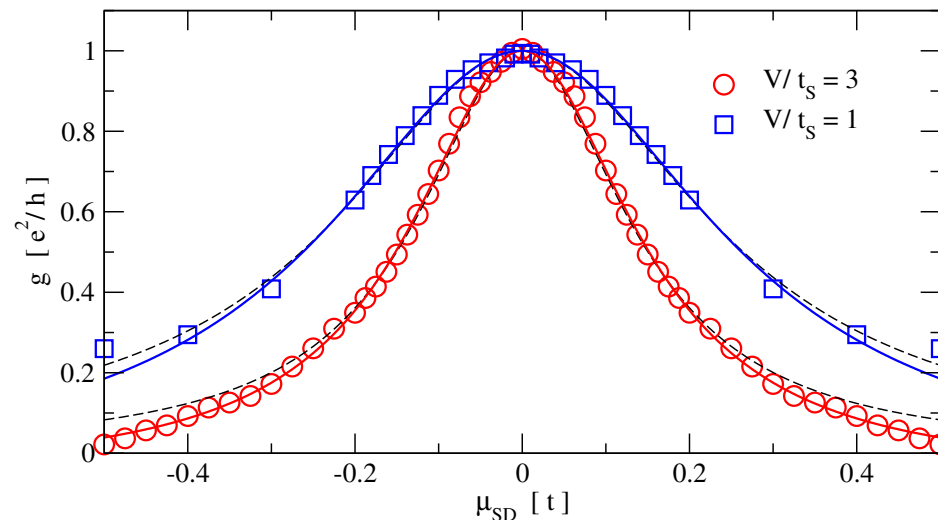
Interacting spinless fermion system coupled to non-interacting leads



Finite-size effects are important \Rightarrow no steady state

Differential conductance vs bias voltage ($M_S = 7$)

($M = 144, m = 600$ for weak coupling, $M = 192, m = 800$ for strong coupling)



Finite-temperature dynamics

Density operator ρ in Hilbert space of dimension D
 \equiv wavefunction in space of dimension D^2

\Rightarrow matrix-product representation of ρ

$$\rho = \sum_{\{s_1, \dots, s_N\}} \sum_{\{t_1, \dots, t_N\}} (M_1[s_1, t_1] \cdot \dots \cdot M_N[s_N, t_N]) |s_1\rangle \dots |s_N\rangle \langle t_1| \dots \langle t_N|$$

with $M_i[s_i, t_i] = m \times m$ matrix and $|s_i\rangle, s_i = 1, \dots, n_i =$ basis states of site i

Imaginary and real time evolution

$$\frac{d\rho}{d\beta} = -H\rho \text{ and } \rho(\beta = 0) = Id \Leftrightarrow \rho = \exp(-\beta H)$$

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -i[H, \rho] \Leftrightarrow \rho(t + \tau) = \exp(-iH\tau)\rho(t)\exp(iH\tau)$$

[Verstraete *et al.*, PRL **93**, 207204 (2004); Zwolak and Vidal, PRL **93**, 207205 (2004);
Feiguin and White, PRB **72**, 220401 (2005)]

Summary

- DMRG is a variational method
- Connection to matrix-product states
- Relation to quantum information theory (entanglement)
- Optimization using entanglement entropy
- Criticality and entanglement
- Time-dependent DMRG
- Finite-temperature dynamics
- Bright prospects for the future

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