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Making Use of Self-Energy Functionals: The Variational Cluster Approximation

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outline:

- the cluster approach
- diagrammatic perturbation theory
- self-energy-functional theory
- implementation of the variational cluster approximation
- selected results
- relation to other methods



The Hubbard model



 $H = H_0(\boldsymbol{t}) + H_1$

kinetic and potential energy

$$H_0 = \sum_{ij\sigma} t_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} = H_0(\boldsymbol{t})$$

interaction energy

$$H_1 = \frac{U}{2} \sum_{i\sigma} n_{i\sigma} n_{i-\sigma}$$

Why consider the Hubbard model ?

- generic many-body problem
- fermion statistics (second quant.)
- lattice model (vs. impurity model)
- Coulomb interaction
- most simple setup for the "correlation problem"



Hilbert space



 $H = H_0(\boldsymbol{t}) + H_1$



single site: dimension 4



L sites: dimension $4^{L} = e^{\ln 4 \cdot L}$

using symmetries: N_{\uparrow} and N_{\downarrow} are conserved

dimension $\begin{pmatrix} L \\ N_{\uparrow} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L \\ N_{\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}$

for L=10: 63504 (half-filling) for L=12: 853776 accessible by Krylov-space methods



bad news





- strong finite-size artefacts
- all excitations gapped
- no phase transitions no phase diagrams

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the main idea of a cluster approach





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- solve the cluster problem exactly
- use the solution to reconstruct the solution for the full problem (this is approximate !)
- find a clever way how to do this step ("embedding problem")
- Machiavelli: "divide et impera"?
- Goethe: "verein und leite"!











• free system:

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$$H_0 = \sum_{ij\sigma} t_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} = H_0(\boldsymbol{t})$$

• free Green's function

$$oldsymbol{G}_0(\omega) = rac{1}{\omega+\mu-oldsymbol{t}}$$

$$t=t'+V$$

• reference system:

$$H'_0 = \sum_{ij\sigma} t'_{ij} c^{\dagger}_{i\sigma} c_{j\sigma} = H_0(\mathbf{t}')$$

• Green's function of the ref. system: $oldsymbol{G}_0'(\omega) = rac{1}{\omega + \mu - oldsymbol{t}'}$

we have:
$$\mathbf{G}_0(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega + \mu - \mathbf{t}' - \mathbf{V}} = \frac{1}{\omega + \mu - \mathbf{t}'} + \frac{1}{\omega + \mu - \mathbf{t}'} \mathbf{V} \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\omega + \mu - \mathbf{t}'} + \cdots$$

or:
$$oldsymbol{G}_0(\omega)=oldsymbol{G}_0'(\omega)+oldsymbol{G}_0'(\omega)+oldsymbol{V}$$

sum all orders:
$$G_0(\omega) = G'_0(\omega) + G'_0(\omega)VG_0(\omega)$$
 the "free" CPT equation !
solve: $G_0(\omega) = \frac{1}{G'_0(\omega)^{-1} - V}$

solve:



CPT using Green's functions



• "free" CPT equation:

 $\boldsymbol{G}_{0}(\omega) = \boldsymbol{G}_{0}^{\prime}(\omega) + \boldsymbol{G}_{0}^{\prime}(\omega) \boldsymbol{V} \boldsymbol{G}_{0}(\omega)$ (exact)

• CPT equation:

 $\boldsymbol{G}(\omega) = \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) \boldsymbol{V} \boldsymbol{G}(\omega)$

(approximate)

Gros, Valenti (1993), Senechal et al. (2000)

CPT:

- provides interacting G for (almost) arbitrarily large systems (large L)
- (in principle) controlled by $1/L_c$ (with L_c : number of cluster sites)
- with L_c=1, this is the "Hubbard-I approximation"

Hubbard (1963)





• compute Green's function of the reference system, e.g., by exact diag.:

$$(H' - \mu N)|n'\rangle = E'_n|n'\rangle$$
$$G'_{ij\sigma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z'}\sum_{mn} \frac{(e^{-\beta E'_m} + e^{-\beta E'_n})\langle m'|c_{i\sigma}|n'\rangle\langle n'|c_{j\sigma}^{\dagger}|m'\rangle}{\omega - (E'_n - E'_m)}$$

• partition function

$$Z' = \sum_{m} e^{-\beta E'_{m}} \qquad \beta = 1/T$$

• CPT equation:

$$oldsymbol{G}(\omega) = oldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + oldsymbol{G}'(\omega) oldsymbol{V}oldsymbol{G}(\omega)$$
 with $oldsymbol{t} = oldsymbol{t}' + oldsymbol{V}$

• solve by matrix inversion for any frequency:

$$\boldsymbol{G}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}'(\omega)^{-1} - \boldsymbol{V}}$$





• make use of translational symmetry (if present):

$$\boldsymbol{G}_{\boldsymbol{k}}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_{\boldsymbol{k}}'(\omega)^{-1} - \boldsymbol{V}(\boldsymbol{k})}$$

 $V_{IJ,ij} = V_{I-J,ij} \mapsto V_{ij}(\boldsymbol{k})$

I: cluster index

- i: site within a cluster
- k: wave vector of
 - reciprocal superlattice





finite cluster – finite Hilbert space – analytic functions

$$(H' - \mu N)|n'\rangle = E'_n|n'\rangle$$

$$G'_{ij\sigma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z'} \sum_{mn} \frac{(e^{-\beta E'_m} + e^{-\beta E'_n}) \langle m'|c_{i\sigma}|n'\rangle \langle n'|c_{j\sigma}^{\dagger}|m'\rangle}{\omega - (E'_n - E'_m)}$$

$$Z' = \sum_m e^{-\beta E'_m}$$



 $\Omega' = -T \ln Z'$ analytic function of $\beta, \mu, U, ...$

quantities of the lattice model:

$$G(\omega) = \frac{1}{G'(\omega)^{-1} - V}$$
$$A(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} G(\omega + i0^{+})$$
$$\langle c_{j\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma} \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \frac{1}{e^{\beta\omega} + 1} A_{ij}(\omega)$$

no second-order phase transitions e.g.: antiferromagnetism

$$m_{\rm st.} = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{i} (-1)^{i} (n_{i\uparrow} - n_{i\downarrow})$$

$$\chi = \frac{\partial m_{\rm st.}}{\partial B_{\rm st.}}\Big|_{B_{\rm st.}=0} \neq \infty$$



freedom in the CPT construction



• original system

$$H = H_0(\boldsymbol{t}) + H_1 \qquad H_0 = \sum_{ij\sigma} t_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} = H_0(\boldsymbol{t})$$

• reference system

$$H' = H_0(\boldsymbol{t}') + H_1 \qquad \qquad H'_0 = \sum_{ij\sigma} t'_{ij} c^{\dagger}_{i\sigma} c_{j\sigma} = H_0(\boldsymbol{t}')$$

CPT:

$$\boldsymbol{G}_0(\omega) = \boldsymbol{G}_0'(\omega) + \boldsymbol{G}_0'(\omega) \boldsymbol{V} \boldsymbol{G}_0(\omega) \qquad \boldsymbol{V} = \boldsymbol{t} - \boldsymbol{t}'$$

• a different reference system

$$\widetilde{H}' = H_0(\widetilde{t'}) + H_1 \qquad \widetilde{H}'_0 = \sum_{ij\sigma} \widetilde{t'}_{ij} c^{\dagger}_{i\sigma} c_{j\sigma} = H_0(\widetilde{t'})$$

a different CPT ?

$$oldsymbol{G}_0(\omega) = \widetilde{oldsymbol{G}}_0'(\omega) + \widetilde{oldsymbol{G}}_0'(\omega) \widetilde{oldsymbol{V}} oldsymbol{G}_0(\omega) \qquad \widetilde{oldsymbol{V}} = oldsymbol{t} - \widetilde{oldsymbol{t}}' = oldsymbol{V} - \Delta oldsymbol{t}'$$

we have:

$$\boldsymbol{G}_{0}(\omega) = \widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}_{0}'(\omega) + \widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}_{0}'(\omega)\widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}\boldsymbol{G}_{0}(\omega) = \widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}_{0}'(\omega) + \widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}_{0}'(\omega)\widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}\widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}_{0}'(\omega) + \cdots$$

but:

$$\widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}(\omega) \equiv \widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}'(\omega) + \widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}'(\omega)\widetilde{\boldsymbol{V}}\widetilde{\boldsymbol{G}}'(\omega) + \dots \neq \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega)\boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + \dots \equiv \boldsymbol{G}(\omega)$$



use the freedom to cure the drawback ?



e.g. spontaneous antiferromagnetic order



physical field

fictitious field

CPT construction with a **symmetry-broken** reference system !

 $\boldsymbol{G}(\omega) = \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) \boldsymbol{V} \boldsymbol{G}(\omega)$





e.g. spontaneous antiferromagnetic order



physical field

fictitious field

Q: how to find the "right" field ?

A: the optimal field should minimize the grand potential !



 $\Omega(B') = ? \quad \Omega(t') = ?$





we need a variational principle (consider T=0, ground state): $E(t') = \min.$

define:

 $E[|\Psi\rangle] = \langle \Psi|H|\Psi\rangle = \min.$ $E(t') \equiv E[|\Psi(t')\rangle]$

optimal parameters:

$$\frac{\partial E[|\Psi(t')\rangle]}{\partial t'} \bigg|_{t'=t'_{opt}} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

we have:

the Ritz principle ?

$$|\Psi({m t}')
angle = |\Psi_1({m t}_1')
angle \otimes |\Psi_2({m t}_2')
angle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\Psi_{L/L_{
m c}}({m t}_{L/L_{
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angle$$

this yields:

$$E[|\Psi(\boldsymbol{t}')\rangle] = \langle \Psi(\boldsymbol{t}')|(H_0(\boldsymbol{t}') + H_0(\boldsymbol{V}) + H_1)|\Psi(\boldsymbol{t}')\rangle = E_0(\boldsymbol{t}') + \langle \Psi(\boldsymbol{t}')|H_0(\boldsymbol{V})|\Psi(\boldsymbol{t}')\rangle$$

for decoupled clusters as a reference and with Hellmann-Feynman theorem:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t'} E[|\Psi(t')\rangle] = \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} E_0(t') = \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \langle \Psi(t') | (H_0(t') + H_1) | \Psi(t') \rangle = \langle \Psi(t') | \frac{\partial H_0(t')}{\partial t'} | \Psi(t') \rangle$$

this yields:

- optimal parameters do not depend on V
- for optimal parameters: all one-particle correlations vanish



we need a variational principle (consider T=0, ground state): $E[\Psi(t')] = [\Psi_1(t'_1)] \otimes [\Psi_2(t'_2)] \otimes e^{-1} of [\Psi_{L/L_c}(t'_r)] = [\Psi(t')] = [\Psi(t')] = [\Psi(t')]$ $E(t') = \min.$ optimal parameters: $|\Psi(t')\rangle = |\Psi_{1}(t'_{1})\rangle \otimes |\Psi_{2}(t'_{2})\rangle \text{ use of } \underbrace{\text{the Ritz principle : informations}}_{L/L_{c}} finis yields:$ $<math display="block"> \underbrace{\text{cannot make use of } \underbrace{\text{the down Green functions}}_{L/L_{c}} for each of a variation (t) \\ = \underbrace{\text{read a variation}}_{L_{c}} \underbrace{\text{principle based on Green functions}}_{L_{c}} \underbrace{\text{the down Green functions}}_{L_{c}} for each of a variation (t) \\ = \underbrace{\text{read a variation}}_{L_{c}} \underbrace{\text{principle based on Green functions}}_{L_{c}} \underbrace{\text{the down Wave functions}}_{L_$ $\frac{\partial}{\partial t'} E[|\Psi(t')\rangle] = \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} E_0(t') = \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \langle \Psi(t') | (H_0(t') + H_1) | \Psi(t') \rangle = \langle \Psi(t') | \frac{\partial H_0(t')}{\partial t'} | \Psi(t') \rangle$ this yields: optimal parameters do not depend on V

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Luttinger, Ward (1960) Baym, Kadanoff (1961)



reminder: perturbation theory



• Hamiltonian:

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- $\mathcal{H} = H \mu N = \mathcal{H}_0 + H_1 = \mathcal{H}_0(\boldsymbol{t}) + H_1$
- S-matrix:

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$$S(\tau,\tau') = e^{\mathcal{H}_0 \tau} e^{-\mathcal{H}(\tau-\tau')} e^{-\mathcal{H}_0 \tau'}$$

• equation of motion:

 $-rac{\partial}{\partial au}S(au, au')=H_{1,I}(au)S(au, au')$ with free time dependence of $H_{1,I}$

• formal solution:

$$S(\tau, \tau') = \mathcal{T} \exp\left(-\int_{\tau'}^{\tau} d\tau'' H_{1,I}(\tau'')\right)$$

• partition function:

$$Z = \operatorname{tr} e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}} = \operatorname{tr} \left(e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}_0} e^{\beta \mathcal{H}_0} e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}} \right) = \operatorname{tr} \left(e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}_0} S(\beta, 0) \right) = Z_0 \langle S(\beta, 0) \rangle^{(0)}$$

 $c_{i\sigma}(\tau) = S(0,\tau)c_{I,i\sigma}(\tau)S(\tau,0)$

• starting point of perturbation theory:

 $\frac{Z}{Z_0} = \left\langle \mathcal{T} \exp\left(-\int_0^\beta d\tau'' H_{1,I}(\tau'')\right) \right\rangle^{(0)}$

$$G_{ij\sigma}(\tau) = -\frac{\left\langle \mathcal{T}\exp\left(-\int_0^\beta d\tau H_{1,I}(\tau)\right) c_{I,i\sigma}(\tau) c_{I,j\sigma}^{\dagger}(0) \right\rangle^{(0)}}{\left\langle \mathcal{T}\exp\left(-\int_0^\beta d\tau H_{1,I}(\tau)\right) \right\rangle^{(0)}}$$

• expand, use Wick's theorem, and then ...

• Green's function

 $G_{ij\sigma}(\tau) = -\langle \mathcal{T}c_{i\sigma}(\tau)c_{j\sigma}^{\dagger}(0)\rangle \qquad c_{i\sigma}(\tau) = e^{\mathcal{H}\tau}c_{i\sigma}e^{-\mathcal{H}\tau}$

$$G_{ij\sigma}(\tau) = \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} G_{ij\sigma}(i\omega_n) e^{-i\omega_n \tau}$$
$$G_{ij\sigma}(i\omega_n) = \int_0^\beta d\tau \, G_{ij\sigma}(\tau) \, e^{i\omega_n \tau}$$





... get, e.g., the second-order contribution to Z/Z_0 as:



- use the linked-cluster theorem, to get the grand potential as the sum of connected diagrams only, this yields: $\Omega-\Omega_0$

diagrams for the Green's function

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"renormalization"



• remove self-energy insertions and replace free by interacting propagators ?



 this would imply a double counting of diagrams !

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• sum all renormalized closed skeleton diagrams up to infinite order:



 Luttinger-Ward functional (does not give the grand potential)



 $\Omega = \Phi + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G})$

Luttinger-Ward functional:

$$\Phi = \bigcirc + \bigcirc + \bigcirc + \cdots$$

self-energy, skeleton-diagram expansion:



Dyson's equation

derivative of the LW funct.:

$$\beta \frac{\delta \Phi[\boldsymbol{G}]}{\delta G_{ij\sigma}(i\omega_n)} = \Sigma_{ji\sigma}(i\omega_n)[\boldsymbol{G}]$$

to be discussed:

- variational principle ?
- grand potential: proof ?
- tr ln (...) term is ill-defined !

$$\rho \frac{\delta G_{ij\sigma}(i\omega_n)}{\delta G_{ij\sigma}(i\omega_n)} = \Sigma_{ji\sigma}(i\omega_n) [\mathbf{G}$$





grand potential:

$$\Omega = \Phi + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G})$$

functional:

$$\Omega[\boldsymbol{G}] = \Phi[\boldsymbol{G}] + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{G}^{-1})\boldsymbol{G} \qquad \frac{\delta\Omega[\boldsymbol{G}]}{\delta\boldsymbol{G}} = 0 \quad ?$$

functional derivative:

$$\beta \frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{G}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{G}} = \beta \frac{\delta}{\delta \boldsymbol{G}} \left(\Phi[\boldsymbol{G}] + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{G}^{-1}) \boldsymbol{G} \right)$$

$$= \mathbf{\Sigma}[oldsymbol{G}] + oldsymbol{G}^{-1} - oldsymbol{G}_0^{-1}$$

thus:

$$\beta \frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{G}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{G}} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}[\boldsymbol{G}] = \boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{G}^{-1} \quad \boldsymbol{\checkmark}$$





$\Omega = \Phi + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G})$



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proof:
consider the derivative w.r.t.
$$\mu$$
:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} [\Phi + \operatorname{Tr} \ln \mathbf{G} - \operatorname{Tr}(\Sigma \mathbf{G})] = (1) + (2) + (3)$$
first term:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} (1) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \Phi = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \widehat{\Phi}_{\mathbf{U}}[\mathbf{G}] = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \sum_{n} \frac{\delta \widehat{\Phi}_{\mathbf{U}}[\mathbf{G}]}{\delta G_{\alpha\beta}(i\omega_{n})} \frac{\partial G_{\alpha\beta}(i\omega_{n})}{\partial \mu}$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha\beta} T \sum_{n} \Sigma_{\beta\alpha}(i\omega_{n}) \frac{\partial G_{\alpha\beta}(i\omega_{n})}{\partial \mu} = \operatorname{Tr}\left(\Sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}}{\partial \mu}\right)$$



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Second term:

$$rac{\partial}{\partial \mu}(2) = rac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \operatorname{Tr} \ln \mathbf{G} = \operatorname{Tr} \left(\mathbf{G}^{-1} rac{\partial \mathbf{G}}{\partial \mu}
ight)$$



$$\Omega = \Phi + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G})$$

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$$= \operatorname{Tr}\left[\left(\mathbf{G}^{-1}\frac{\partial\mathbf{G}}{\partial\mu}\mathbf{G}^{-1} - \frac{\partial\mathbf{\Sigma}}{\partial\mu}\right)\mathbf{G}\right]$$
$$= \operatorname{Tr}\left[\frac{\partial(-\mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{\Sigma})}{\partial\mu}\mathbf{G}\right]$$

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$$= -\text{Tr}\left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{G}_0^{-1}}{\partial \mu}\mathbf{G}\right]$$
 with Dyson's equation $\mathbf{G} = 1/(\mathbf{G}_0^{-1} - \mathbf{\Sigma})$
$$= -\text{Tr}\left[\frac{\partial(i\omega_n + \mu - \mathbf{t})}{\partial \mu}\mathbf{G}\right]$$



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$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left[\Phi + \operatorname{Tr} \ln \mathbf{G} - \operatorname{Tr}(\mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{G}) \right] &= \operatorname{Tr} \left(\mathbf{G}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}}{\partial \mu} \right) - \operatorname{Tr} \left(\begin{array}{c} = -\operatorname{Tr} \mathbf{G} \\ = -\sum_{\alpha} T \sum_{n} e^{i\omega_{n}0^{+}} G_{\alpha\alpha}(i\omega_{n}) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left[\left(\mathbf{G}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}}{\partial \mu} \mathbf{G}^{-1} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{\Sigma}}{\partial \mu} \right) \mathbf{G} \right] \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C} d\omega \, e^{\omega 0^{+}} f(\omega) \, G_{\alpha\alpha}(\omega) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{\partial (-\mathbf{G}^{-1} - \mathbf{\Sigma})}{\partial \mu} \mathbf{G} \right] \\ &= -\operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{G}_{0}^{-1}}{\partial \mu} \mathbf{G} \right] \quad \text{with Dyson's equal} + \sum_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \, e^{\omega 0^{+}} f(\omega) \, G_{\alpha\alpha}(\omega - i0^{+}) \\ &= -\operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{G}_{0}^{-1}}{\partial \mu} \mathbf{G} \right] \quad \text{with Dyson's equal} + \sum_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \, e^{\omega 0^{+}} f(\omega) \, G_{\alpha\alpha}(\omega - i0^{+}) \\ &= -\operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{\partial (i\omega_{n} + \mu - \mathbf{t})}{\partial \mu} \mathbf{G} \right] \quad = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \, e^{\omega 0^{+}} f(\omega) \, G_{\alpha\alpha}(\omega + i0^{+}) \\ &= -\sum_{\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \, f(\omega) \, A_{\alpha\alpha}(\omega) \\ &= -\langle N \rangle \\ &= \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mu} \end{split}$$

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proof that $\Omega = \operatorname{Tr} \ln G$ for U=0



first step:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \operatorname{Tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \operatorname{Tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G}^{-1} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \operatorname{Tr} \ln(i\omega_n + \mu - \boldsymbol{t}) = -\operatorname{Tr} \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu - \boldsymbol{t}} = -\langle N \rangle = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mu}$$

second step:

 $\Omega = 0$ for $\mu \to -\infty \to$ need to show that $\operatorname{Tr} \ln \mathbf{G} = 0$ for $\mu \to -\infty$ but $\operatorname{Tr} \ln \mathbf{G} = -\operatorname{Tr} \ln(i\omega_n + \mu - \mathbf{t}) \mapsto \infty$

third step:

regularisation needed: $\operatorname{Tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} \mapsto \operatorname{Tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \infty = \operatorname{Tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{Tr} \ln \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu - \varepsilon_0}$

$$= \operatorname{Tr} \ln \frac{i\omega_n + \mu - \varepsilon_0}{i\omega_n + \mu - t} \mapsto \operatorname{Tr} \ln 1 = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \mu \mapsto -\infty$$



regularization



$$\Omega = \Phi + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G})$$
 well-defined ?

third term:

$$\operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G}) = \sum_{ij\sigma} \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \Sigma_{ij\sigma}(i\omega_n) G_{ji\sigma}(i\omega_n) \sim \sum_n e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \sim \sum_n e^{i2n0^+} \frac{1}{n} < \infty$$

second term:

$$G \mapsto \frac{1}{i\omega_n} \sim \frac{1}{2n+1} \sim \frac{1}{n} \qquad \sum_n \ln(1/n) \sim \sum_n n = \infty$$

add a (parameter-free) counter term:

$$\Omega \mapsto \Omega - \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n} \ln \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu - \varepsilon_0} \quad \text{with } \varepsilon_0 \mapsto \infty \text{ eventually}$$

- infinite constant
- regularizes the tr ln (...) term
- all calculations unchanged



the general strategy





CPT with parameter optimization:

$$t' \longrightarrow H' = H_0(t') + H_1 \longrightarrow G'(\omega) \longrightarrow G(\omega) = G'(\omega) + G'(\omega)VG(\omega) \longrightarrow \Omega[G]$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t'}\Omega[G] = 0 \quad ?$$

more precisely: $\frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \Omega[({G'}^{-1} - V)^{-1}] = 0$



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conditional equation for the parameters t':

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \Omega[({G'}^{-1} - V)^{-1}] = \frac{\delta \Omega}{\delta G} \cdot \frac{\partial G}{\partial t'} = \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}' + \boldsymbol{G}^{-1} - \boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1}\right) \frac{\partial G}{\partial t'}$$

this must be **rejected** since:

• it is ugly

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- DMFT cannot be reproduced
 - DMFT: $G_{loc}=G'_{loc}$, but there is also a "bath"
 - if at all, then $(G^{-1})_{loc} = (G'^{-1})_{loc}$... see below

recall:

$$\Omega[\boldsymbol{G}] = \Phi[\boldsymbol{G}] + \operatorname{tr} \ln \boldsymbol{G} - \operatorname{tr}(\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{G}^{-1})\boldsymbol{G}$$

$$\beta \frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{G}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{G}} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}[\boldsymbol{G}] + \boldsymbol{G}^{-1} - \boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1}$$



new strategy





consider:

$$G = rac{1}{{G'}^{-1} - V} = rac{1}{\omega + \mu - t' - \Sigma' - t + t'} = rac{1}{G_0^{-1} - \Sigma'}$$

a different way to do CPT !

parameter optimization:

$$t' \longrightarrow H' = H_0(t') + H_1 \longrightarrow \Sigma'(\omega) \longrightarrow \Sigma(\omega) = \Sigma'(\omega) \longrightarrow \Omega[\Sigma]$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \Omega[\Sigma] = 0 \quad ? \quad \checkmark$$

- this is nice ! construct approximations by choosing certain trial self-energies
- ... and it recovers DMFT ! (see below)
- we need a self-energy functional
- $\beta \frac{\delta \Phi}{\delta G} = \Sigma$: self-energy and Green's function are conjugate variables
- use Legendre transformation



the self-energy functional



Legrendre transformation:

 $F[\Sigma] \equiv \Phi[G[\Sigma]] - \operatorname{Tr}(\Sigma G[\Sigma])$ immediately implies:

$$rac{\delta F[oldsymbol{\varSigma}]}{\delta oldsymbol{\varSigma}} = -rac{1}{eta} oldsymbol{G}[oldsymbol{\varSigma}]$$

define self-energy functional:

$$\Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] = \operatorname{Tr} \ln \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} + \boldsymbol{\Phi}[\boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]] - \operatorname{Tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}])$$

variational principle ?

$$\frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = 0$$

compute functional derivative:

$$\frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} - \boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] \right)$$

this means:

$$\frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] = \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{G} = \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}[\boldsymbol{G}]} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\operatorname{Tr} \boldsymbol{A} \equiv \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n} \sum_{i\sigma} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} A_{ii\sigma}(i\omega_n)$$





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alternatives ?



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discussion:

- self-energy functional: saddle point vs. minimum
- how to define the domain ?
- where is the original idea of CPT ?
- why not insert an arbitrary self-energy ?
- what is the reference system good for?
- how to evaluate the functional on the restricted domain ?



evaluation of the functional













insert trial self-energy:



 $\left.\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\varOmega}[\boldsymbol{\varSigma}_{t'}]}{\partial t'}\right|_{t'=t'_{\mathrm{opt}}}=0$

SFT Euler equation:









how to ...



... get term (1) ?



$$\frac{1}{{G_0}^{-1} - \Sigma_{t'}} = \frac{1}{{G'}^{-1} - V}$$

 $Z' = \sum_{m} e^{-\beta E'_{m}}$

 $(H' - \mu N)|n'\rangle = E'_n|n'\rangle$

 $\Omega' = -T \ln Z'$

$$G'_{ij\sigma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z'} \sum_{mn} \frac{(e^{-\beta E'_m} + e^{-\beta E'_n}) \langle m' | c_{i\sigma} | n' \rangle \langle n' | c^{\dagger}_{j\sigma} | m' \rangle}{\omega - (E'_n - E'_m)}$$

... get term (3) ? $\frac{1}{G_0'^{-1} - \Sigma_{t'}} = G'$



how to ...





... evaluate the Tr In (...) terms ?

$$\operatorname{Tr} \ln \frac{1}{{G'}^{-1} - V} - \operatorname{Tr} \ln G' = \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \left(\operatorname{tr} \ln \frac{1}{{G'}^{-1}(i\omega_n) - V} - \operatorname{tr} \ln G'(i\omega_n) \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \operatorname{tr} \ln \frac{1}{1 - VG'(i\omega_n)}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \operatorname{tr} \ln(1 - VG'(i\omega_n))$$
$$\sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \ln(1 + \mathcal{O}(1/\omega_n)) \sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega_n 0^+} \mathcal{O}(1/\omega_n)$$

converges, and be coded this way, when combining +/- n-terms:

$$\operatorname{tr}\ln\left(1-\boldsymbol{V}\frac{1}{i\omega_n}\right)+\operatorname{tr}\ln\left(1+\boldsymbol{V}\frac{1}{i\omega_n}\right)=\operatorname{tr}\ln\left(1-\boldsymbol{V}\frac{1}{i\omega_n}\right)\left(1+\boldsymbol{V}\frac{1}{i\omega_n}\right)=\mathcal{O}(1/\omega_n^2)$$



do everything analytically:

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$$\operatorname{Tr}\ln\frac{1}{G_0^{-1} - \Sigma_{t'}} - \operatorname{Tr}\ln\frac{1}{G_0'^{-1} - \Sigma_{t'}} = -\sum_m \frac{1}{\beta}\ln(1 + e^{-\beta\omega_m}) + \sum_m \frac{1}{\beta}\ln(1 + e^{-\beta\omega_m'})$$

... only the poles of G and of G' are needed !

 $Q'_{\alpha m} = \langle r | c_{\alpha} | s \rangle \sqrt{\frac{\exp(-\beta E'_r) + \exp(-\beta E'_s)}{Z'}}$

Lehmann representation of G', obtained by ED:

$$oldsymbol{G}'(\omega) = oldsymbol{Q}' rac{1}{\omega - oldsymbol{\Lambda}'} oldsymbol{Q}'^{\dagger} \qquad \qquad \Lambda'_{mn} = \omega'_m \delta_{mn}$$

Lehmann representation of G:

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{G}(\omega) &= \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}'(\omega)^{-1} - \boldsymbol{V}} = \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + \boldsymbol{G}'(\omega)\boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{G}'(\omega) + \cdots & \text{orbitals} \quad \text{excitations} \\ &= \boldsymbol{Q}'\left(\frac{1}{\omega - \boldsymbol{\Lambda}'} + \frac{1}{\omega - \boldsymbol{\Lambda}'}\boldsymbol{Q}'^{\dagger}\boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{Q}'\frac{1}{\omega - \boldsymbol{\Lambda}'} + \cdots\right)\boldsymbol{Q}'^{\dagger} = \boldsymbol{Q}'\frac{1}{\omega - \boldsymbol{M}}\boldsymbol{Q}'^{\dagger} \end{aligned}$$

to get poles of G, diagonalize

$$oldsymbol{M} = oldsymbol{\Lambda}' + oldsymbol{Q}'^\dagger oldsymbol{V} oldsymbol{Q}'$$

matrix dimension: number of one-particle excitations in a cluster



VCA cookbook



Recipe for practical calculations

A typical VCA calculation is carried out as follows:

- Construct a reference system by tiling the original lattice into identical clusters.
- Choose a set of one-particle parameters t' of the reference system and compute V = t t'.
- Solve the problem for the reference system (U is fixed), i.e. compute the Green's function G' and find the poles ω'_m and the Q'-matrix.
- Get the poles ω_m of the approximate Green's function of the original system by diagonalization of the matrix $M = \Lambda' + Q'^{\dagger} V Q$.
- Calculate the value of the SFT grand potential via Eq. (61) and Eq. (68) and by calculating the grand potential of the reference system Ω' from the eigenvalues of H'.
- Iterate this scheme for different t', such that one can solve

$$\frac{\partial \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{t'}]}{\partial t'} \bigg|_{t'=t'_{\text{opt}}} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$
(69)

for $t'_{\rm opt}$.

- Evaluate observables, such as $\Omega[\Sigma_{t'_{opt}}]$, $G(\omega)$ and static expectation values derived from the SFT grand potential by differentiation, at the stationary point t'_{opt} .
- Redo the calculations for different parameters of the *original* system, e.g. a different U, filling or β to scan the interesting parameter space.



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 best results for weak and strong U here: VCA is exact



more variational parameters





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sites



U=4

- larger clusters: larger Hilbert space AND more parameters
- find a stationary point in a high-dimensional space:
 e.g. minimize

 $|\partial \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma_{t'}}]/\partial t'|^2.$

- typically, the system makes use of more parameters
- effects are strongest at the edges
- VCA respects particlehole symmetry
- VCA finds its own type of boundary conditions





e.g. spontaneous antiferromagnetic order



A: the optimal field should minimize the grand potential !



Q: how to find the "right" field ?

 $\Omega(B') = ? \quad \Omega(t') = ?$



D=2: spontaneous order



- D=2 Hubbard model, n=1, T=0
- cluster with L_C=10 sites
- low cluster symmetries favorable
- solver for the reference system: Lanczos
- fictitious staggered field (mean field, Weiss field)

strange cluster ? but it works !

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tiling of the lattice



 different clusters and pairs of clusters used for an A-B sublattice ordering

Yamada et al. (2013)



different reference systems: VCA





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- VCA: cluster mean-field approach
- includes short-range spatial correlations
- mean-field-like on a scale beyond linear cluster extension

original system reference system





extreme case: single site







- single-site mean-field theory
- like Hubbard-I but with parameter optimization



best single-site mean-field theory ?





- continuum of bath sites
- this yields ...

original system

reference system



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DMFT





 $\Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}] = \operatorname{Tr} \ln \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_{2}^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} + \boldsymbol{\Phi}[\boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]] - \operatorname{Tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}])$

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original system

reference system



here:

DMFT self-consistency condition



 $\frac{\partial}{\partial t'} \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{t'}] = \frac{\delta \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}]}{\delta \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \cdot \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{t'}}{\partial t'} \qquad \bullet \qquad \mathbf{0} = \frac{\partial \Omega[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{t'}]}{\partial t'} = \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{\omega_n} \sum_{i\sigma} \left(\frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}} - \boldsymbol{G}' \right)_{ii,\sigma} \frac{\partial \Sigma_{ii,\sigma}}{\partial t'}$



VCA and its family





VCA and its family







• CPT – a nice idea, but lacks self-consistency or variational character



$$\Phi = \bigcirc + \bigcirc + \bigcirc + \cdots$$

- Green's functions and perturbation theory are needed as a formal language
- variational principles can be constructed with functionals of dynamic (frequency-dependent) quantities (self-energy)

$$\Omega[\boldsymbol{\varSigma}] = \operatorname{Tr} \ln \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\varSigma}} + \boldsymbol{\varPhi}[\boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\varSigma}]] - \operatorname{Tr}(\boldsymbol{\varSigma}\boldsymbol{G}[\boldsymbol{\varSigma}])$$

 the benefit: nice new cluster mean-field approximations

and a new view

related theories

on DMFT and

the CPT-idea
 of a reference
 system saves
 the day



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VCA to the high-T_c problem



Senechal et al. (2004)



FIG. 1: AF (bottom) and dSC (top) order parameters for U = 8t as a function of the electron density (n) for 2×3 , 2×4 and 10-site clusters. Vertical lines indicate the first doping where only dSC order is non-vanishing.





Pozgajcic (2004)



bath sites



Mott transition





