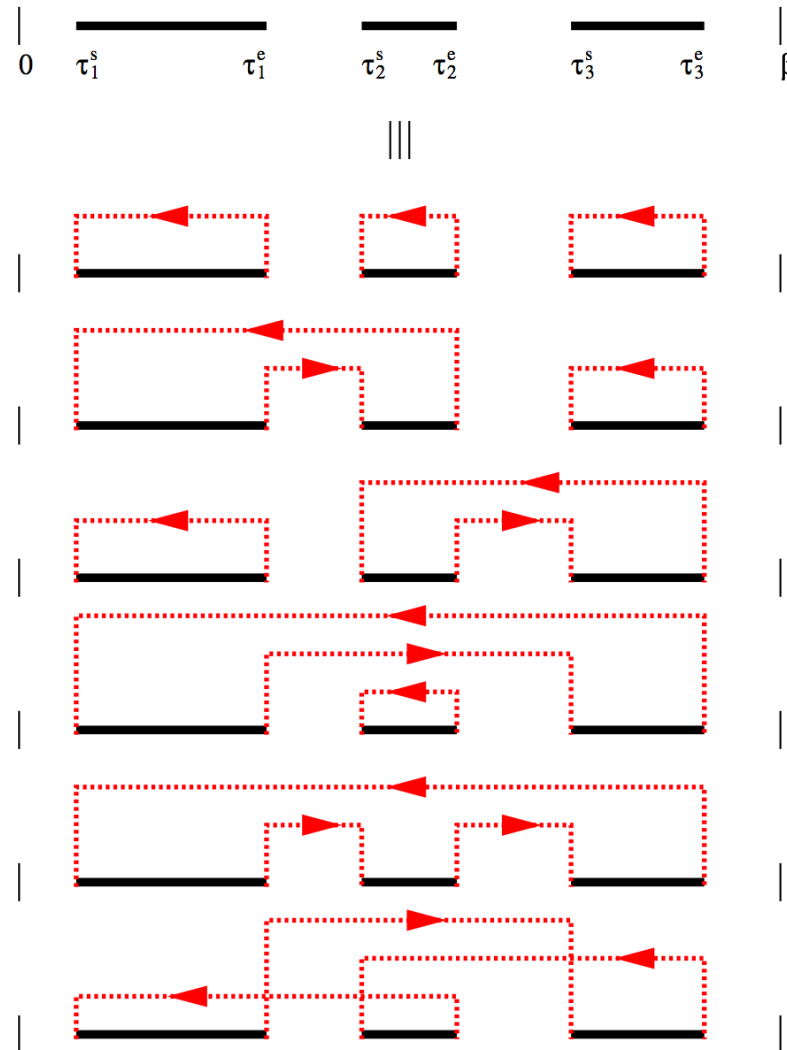


Continuous-time quantum Monte Carlo

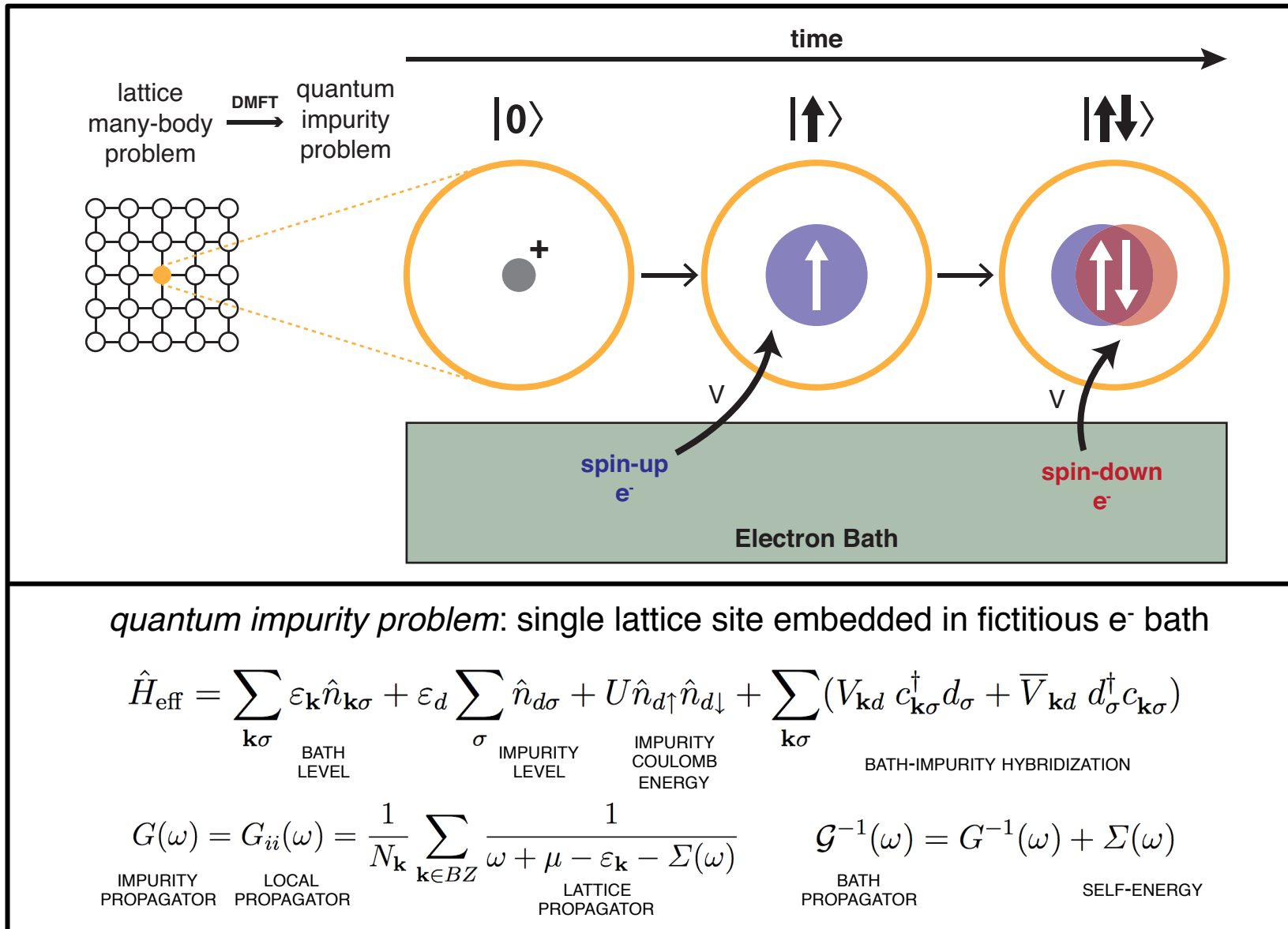


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Motivation: quantum impurity solver is needed for DMFT¹⁻³



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Quantum Monte Carlo

SOLVING A QUANTUM
MECHANICAL PROBLEM

USING A RANDOMIZED
ALGORITHM

types of QMC

(1) variational

$$\langle E(\{p\}) \rangle = \frac{\int \Psi_T^*(R, \{p\}) \hat{H} \Psi_T(R, \{p\}) dR}{\int |\Psi_T(R, \{p\})|^2 dR}$$

parameterize ψ , use Monte Carlo to compute E , then minimize

(2) diffusion

$$-\frac{d\Psi(R, \tau)}{d\tau} = \hat{H}\Psi(R, \tau)$$

random walk for Schrödinger equation in imaginary time to find ψ

GROUND
STATE

(3) determinantal (e.g. Hirsch-Fye)

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi] \det G^{-1}(\{\phi\})$$

imaginary time discretization, Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation

(4) continuous-time

$$Z = \sum_k \int \mathcal{D}[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S_0} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} (\Delta S)^k$$

diagrammatic expansion of partition function

FINITE
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Types of CTQMC¹

CT-INT² – *expand partition function in U*

$$Z/Z_0 = 1 + \frac{(-U)}{1!} \int_0^\beta d\tau_1 \langle n_\uparrow(\tau_1) n_\downarrow(\tau_1) \rangle_0 + \frac{(-U)^2}{2!} \iint_0^\beta d\tau_1 d\tau_2 \langle n_\uparrow(\tau_1) n_\downarrow(\tau_1) n_\uparrow(\tau_2) n_\downarrow(\tau_2) \rangle_0 + \dots$$

CT-AUX³ – *like CT-INT but auxiliary field decomposition*

CT-HYB⁴ – *expand partition function in Δ*

$$Z = \int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S_c} \sum_k \frac{1}{k!} \left[\sum_{\alpha\alpha'} \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_0^\beta d\tau' \psi_{\alpha'}(\tau') \psi_\alpha^\dagger(\tau) \Delta_{\alpha\alpha'}(\tau, \tau') \right]^k$$

CT-J⁵ – *for Kondo-like models; combines aspects of CT-INT and CT-HYB*

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Terminology

Impurity

Bath

single lattice site on which we treat the correlations
auxiliary electron reservoir mimicking the effect of the
discarded lattice sites

Hybridization

coupling b/w impurity and bath

**Impurity Green
function** $G(\omega)$

Green function of the impurity problem

**Lattice Green
function** $G(k, \omega)$

Green function of the lattice at a particular k -point

**Local Green
function** $G_{ii}(\omega)$

Lattice Green function summed over k -points

Self-energy
 $\Sigma(\omega)$

interaction-induced shift (real part) and broadening
(imaginary part) of 1-particle energy levels

Hybridization-expansion CTQMC¹

$$Z = \int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] \exp \left[-S_c - \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_0^\beta d\tau' \sum_{\alpha\alpha'} \psi_\alpha^\dagger(\tau) \Delta_{\alpha\alpha'}(\tau, \tau') \psi_{\alpha'}(\tau') \right]$$

partition function

$$Z = \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}]$$

write as path integral

$$\int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S}$$

Grassmann
(anticommuting)
variables

$$\psi, \psi^\dagger$$

local action
(impurity energy
and interaction)

hybridization
action

*bath action integrated out
since noninteracting*

β : inverse temperature

τ, τ' : imaginary time

Δ : hybridization function

α, α' : orbital+spin index

[1] K. Haule, Phys. Rev. B **75**, 155113 (2007).

Hybridization-expansion CTQMC

Taylor expansion of the exponential function for the hybridization part

$$Z = \int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S_c} \sum_k \frac{1}{k!} \left[\sum_{\alpha\alpha'} \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_0^\beta d\tau' \psi_{\alpha'}(\tau') \psi_\alpha^\dagger(\tau) \Delta_{\alpha\alpha'}(\tau, \tau') \right]^k$$

rearrange terms to separate cluster and bath contributions

$$Z = \int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S_c} \sum_k \frac{1}{k!} \int_0^\beta \prod_{i=1}^k d\tau_i \int_0^\beta \prod_{i=1}^k d\tau'_i \sum_{\alpha\alpha'} \prod_{i=1}^k [\psi_{\alpha'_i}(\tau'_i) \psi_{\alpha_i}^\dagger(\tau_i)] \prod_{i=1}^k \Delta_{\alpha_i\alpha'_i}(\tau_i, \tau'_i)$$

average over
impurity d.o.f.

average over
bath d.o.f.

trick is to combine all terms
of the same order (both
crossing and noncrossing)
into a determinant to
minimize sign problem

k : perturbation order

Hybridization-expansion CTQMC

essentially we are perturbing from the atomic limit

$$Z = Z_c \sum_k \frac{1}{k!} \int_0^\beta d\tau_1 \int_0^\beta d\tau'_1 \cdots \int_0^\beta d\tau_k \int_0^\beta d\tau'_k \sum_{\alpha_1 \alpha'_1, \dots, \alpha_k \alpha'_k} \langle T_\tau \psi_{\alpha'_1}(\tau'_1) \psi_{\alpha_1}^\dagger(\tau_1) \cdots \psi_{\alpha'_k}(\tau'_k) \psi_{\alpha_k}^\dagger(\tau_k) \rangle_{cluster}$$

$$\times \frac{1}{k!} \det \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{\alpha_1 \alpha'_1}(\tau_1, \tau'_1) & \Delta_{\alpha_1 \alpha'_2}(\tau_1, \tau'_2) & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \Delta_{\alpha_k \alpha'_1}(\tau_k, \tau'_1) & \cdots & \cdots & \Delta_{\alpha_k \alpha'_k}(\tau_k, \tau'_k) \end{pmatrix}$$

bath part represents contributions from all Feynman diagrams of order k

$$Z_c = \int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S_c}$$

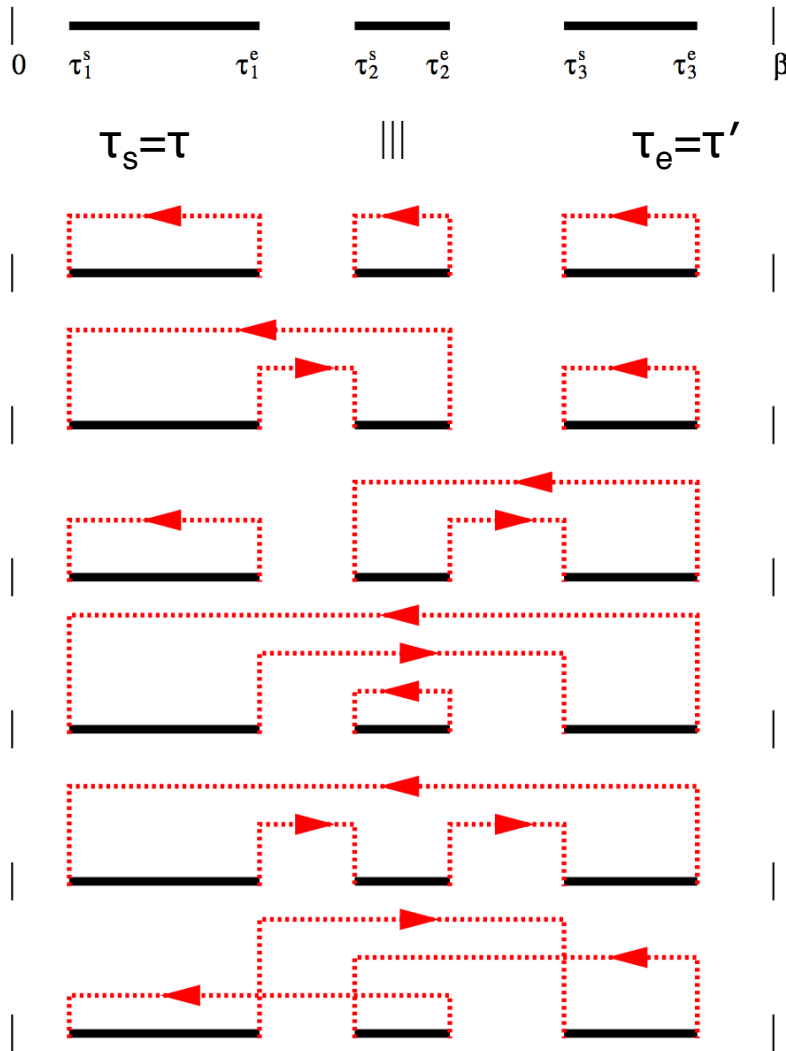
$$\langle O \rangle_{cluster} = \frac{1}{Z_c} \int D[\psi^\dagger \psi] e^{-S_c} O$$

average over cluster d.o.f.

This is the central equation of CT-HYB

Hybridization-expansion CTQMC

The basic idea is that we use a Monte Carlo (Metropolis) algorithm to “visit” the diagrams associated with a set of imaginary times



example

$k=3$ segments of τ corresponding to occupied fermion states

dotted lines connecting segments represent the hybridization function

$3!=6$ diagrams are combined into a determinant to minimize sign

application of ψ or ψ^\dagger is referred to as a “kink” in the time evolution

CT-HYB Monte Carlo moves

insertion of two kinks τ_{new} and τ_{new}' at random times (one creation, one destruction) of same spin

$$P_{add} = \min \left[\left(\frac{\beta N_b}{k+1} \right)^2 \frac{\mathcal{Z}_{new} \mathcal{D}_{new}}{\mathcal{Z}_{old} \mathcal{D}_{old}}, 1 \right]$$

← determinants

$$\mathcal{Z}_{new} = \langle T_{\tau} \psi_{\alpha'_{new}}(\tau'_{new}) \psi_{\alpha_{new}}^{\dagger}(\tau_{new}) \psi_{\alpha'_1}(\tau'_1) \psi_{\alpha_1}^{\dagger}(\tau_1) \psi_{\alpha'_k}(\tau'_k) \psi_{\alpha_k}^{\dagger}(\tau_k) \rangle_{cluster}$$

removal of two kinks τ_{new} and τ_{new}' at random times (one creation, one destruction) of same spin

$$P_{remove} = \min \left[\left(\frac{k}{\beta N_b} \right)^2 \frac{\mathcal{Z}_{new} \mathcal{D}_{new}}{\mathcal{Z}_{old} \mathcal{D}_{old}}, 1 \right]$$

shift of one operator in time and insertion/removal of multiple kinks are not necessary but are used to reduce sampling time

CT-HYB Monte Carlo moves

sketch of how P_{add} is derived

trial-step probability: $\omega_{X \rightarrow X'}$

acceptance probability: $A_{X \rightarrow X'}$

detailed balance:

$$\frac{A_{X \rightarrow X'}}{A_{X' \rightarrow X}} = \frac{\rho(X') \omega_{X' \rightarrow X}}{\rho(X) \omega_{X \rightarrow X'}}$$

$$\frac{\omega_{X \rightarrow X'}}{\omega_{X' \rightarrow X}} = \frac{(k+1)^2}{\beta^2}$$

from which creation kink to add from $k+1$ options and which removal kink to remove from $k+1$ options

from prob. of choosing particular τ and τ' in $[0, \beta] \times [0, \beta]$ space

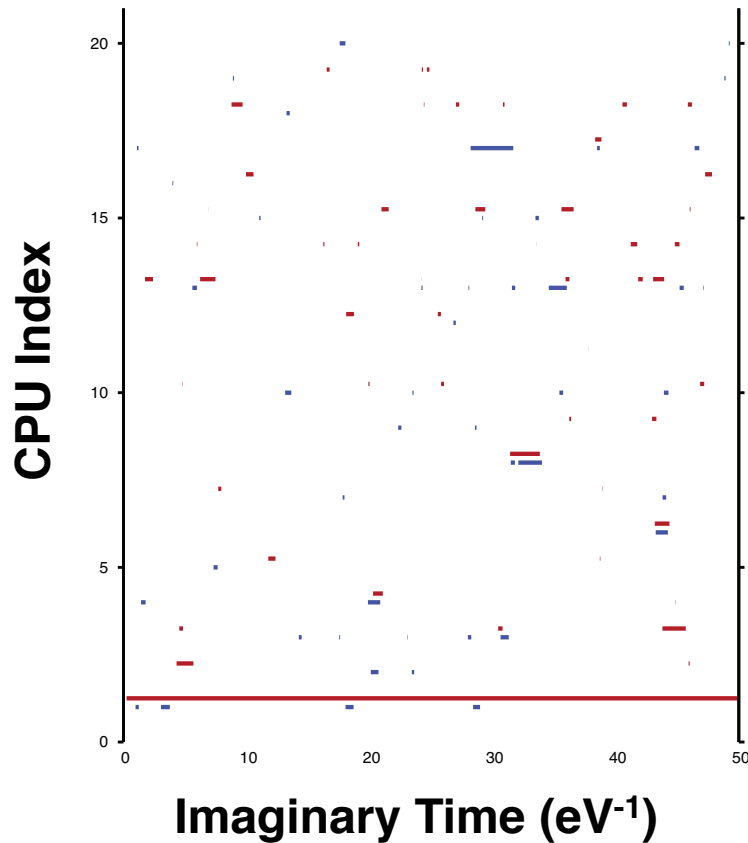
$\beta^2 \rightarrow (N_b \beta)^2$ when non-unity bath dimensionality

$$\frac{\rho(X')}{\rho(X)} = \frac{Z_{\text{new}} \mathcal{D}_{\text{new}}}{Z_{\text{old}} \mathcal{D}_{\text{old}}}$$

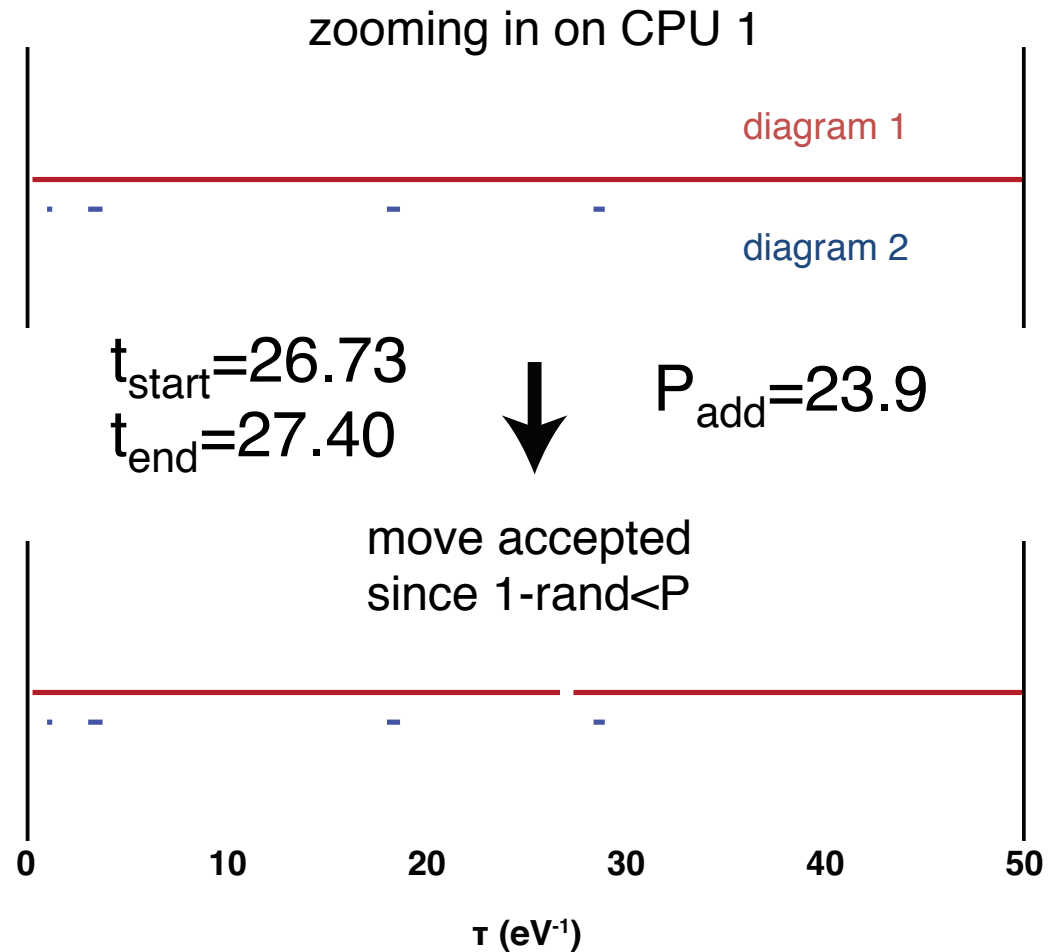
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CT-HYB Monte Carlo moves

Example of 1 move from an actual run



state for 20 cores



Codes

- Kristjan Haule's **CTQMC** (part of dmft_w2k code on his website) has CT-HYB
- **ALPS** (Algorithms and Libraries for Physics Simulations)
- **TRIQS** (a Toolbox for Research on Interacting Quantum Systems)

Tricks to speed things up in Haule's code

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z}_D &= \text{Tr} \left(T_{\tau} \exp \left[- \int_0^{\beta} d\tau H_c(\tau) \right] \psi_{\alpha_1}(\tau'_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \psi_{\alpha_2}^{\dagger}(\tau_2) \cdots \psi_{\alpha_{n-1}}(\tau'_{n-1}) \psi_{\alpha_n}^{\dagger}(\tau_n) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\{m\}} e^{-E_{m_1} \tau'_1} (F^{\alpha_1})_{m_1 m_2} e^{-E_{m_2} (\tau_2 - \tau'_1)} \\ &\quad \times (F^{\dagger \alpha_2})_{m_2 m_3} \cdots (F^{\alpha_{n-1}})_{m_{n-1} m_n} e^{-E_{m_n} (\tau'_{n-1} - \tau_n)} \\ &\quad \times (F^{\dagger \alpha_n})_{m_n m_1} e^{-E_{m_1} (\beta - \tau_n)} \end{aligned}$$

typical form of cluster component
of the partition function

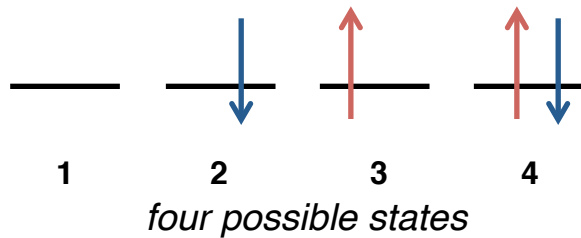
$$(F^{\alpha \dagger})_{m' m} \equiv \langle j | \langle m' | \psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger} | m \rangle | i \rangle$$

- F matrices can be very large (e.g. 2^{14} states for f shell)
- Large **matrix mult** is the bottleneck, particularly when we go beyond density-density interactions (non-Ising like \mathcal{J})
- Atomic states with same N , S_z , and K are grouped together (**superstates**) so can avoid many zero matrix elements
- Insertion of a kink is fairly local in time so the code **stores chains of products** in the eqn to the left from both sides
- Sampled average of probability of atomic states is used to **eliminate low-probability states** dynamically

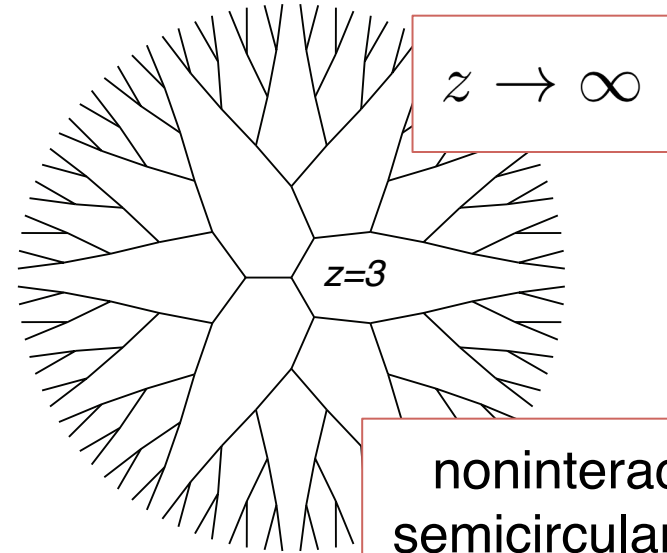
Simple Example

1-band Hubbard model

$$H = \sum_{\sigma} \sum_{i,j} t_{i,j} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} + \sum_i U n_{i,\uparrow} n_{i,\downarrow}$$



Bethe lattice (Cayley tree)



noninteracting
semicircular DOS

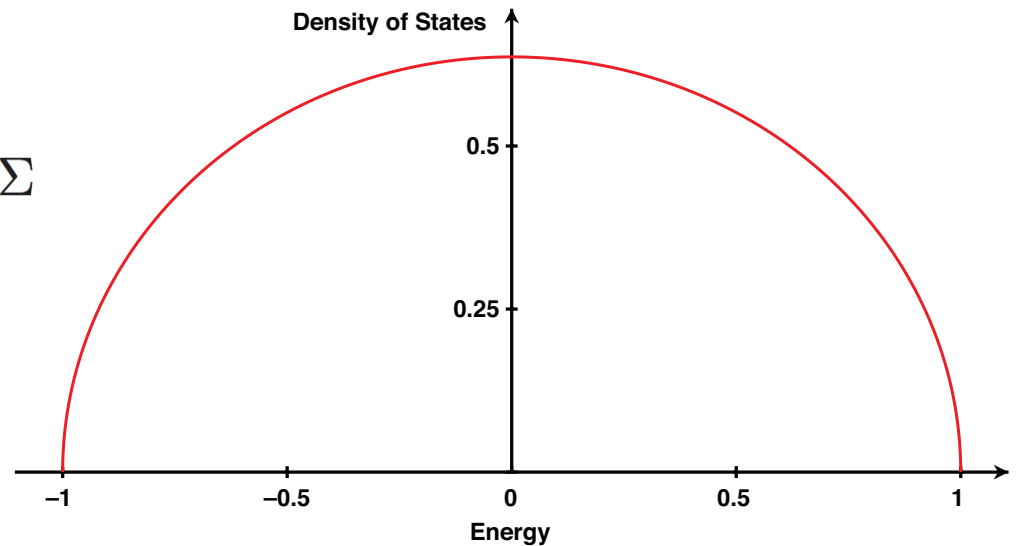
$$\frac{G(\omega)}{1} = \int d\epsilon \frac{G_{ii}(\omega)}{\omega + \mu - \epsilon - \Sigma} = \int d\epsilon \frac{D(\epsilon)}{\omega + \mu - \epsilon - \Sigma}$$

$$G = 2(z - \sqrt{z^2 - 1}) \quad z = \omega + \mu - \Sigma$$

DMFT self-consistency condition

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{4} G$$

$\mu=U/2$ for half filling, $E_{imp}=-\mu$, $t=1/2$



Simple Example

Cix file for cluster DMFT with CTQMC

cluster_size, number of states, number of baths, maximum matrix size

1 4 2 1

baths, dimension, symmetry, global flip

0 1 0 0

1 1 0 0

cluster energies for unique baths, eps[k]

0 0

N K Sz size $F^{+,dn}$, $F^{+,up}$, Ea S

1 0 0 0 1 2 3 0 0

2 1 0 -0.5 1 0 4 0 0.5

3 1 0 0.5 1 4 0 0 0.5

4 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0

← impurity energy absorbed
into chemical potential

← atomic states

← applying spin-up bath to state 1 yields state 2

Simple Example

	# matrix elements					
$F^{\dagger, \text{down}}$	1	2	1	1	1	# start-state, end-state, dim1, dim2, $\langle 2 F^{\{+, \text{dn}\}} 1 \rangle$
$F^{\dagger, \text{up}}$	1	3	1	1	1	# start-state, end-state, dim1, dim2, $\langle 3 F^{\{+, \text{up}\}} 1 \rangle$
$F^{\dagger, \text{down}}$	2	0	0	0		
$F^{\dagger, \text{up}}$	2	4	1	1	-1	# start-state, end-state, dim1, dim2, $\langle 4 F^{\{+, \text{up}\}} 2 \rangle$
$F^{\dagger, \text{down}}$	3	4	1	1	1	
$F^{\dagger, \text{up}}$	3	0	0	0		
$F^{\dagger, \text{down}}$	4	0	0	0		
$F^{\dagger, \text{up}}$	4	0	0	0		

start state end state

matrix element(s)

$$(F^{\alpha \dagger})_{m' m} \equiv \langle j | \langle m' | \psi_{\alpha}^{\dagger} | m \rangle | i \rangle$$

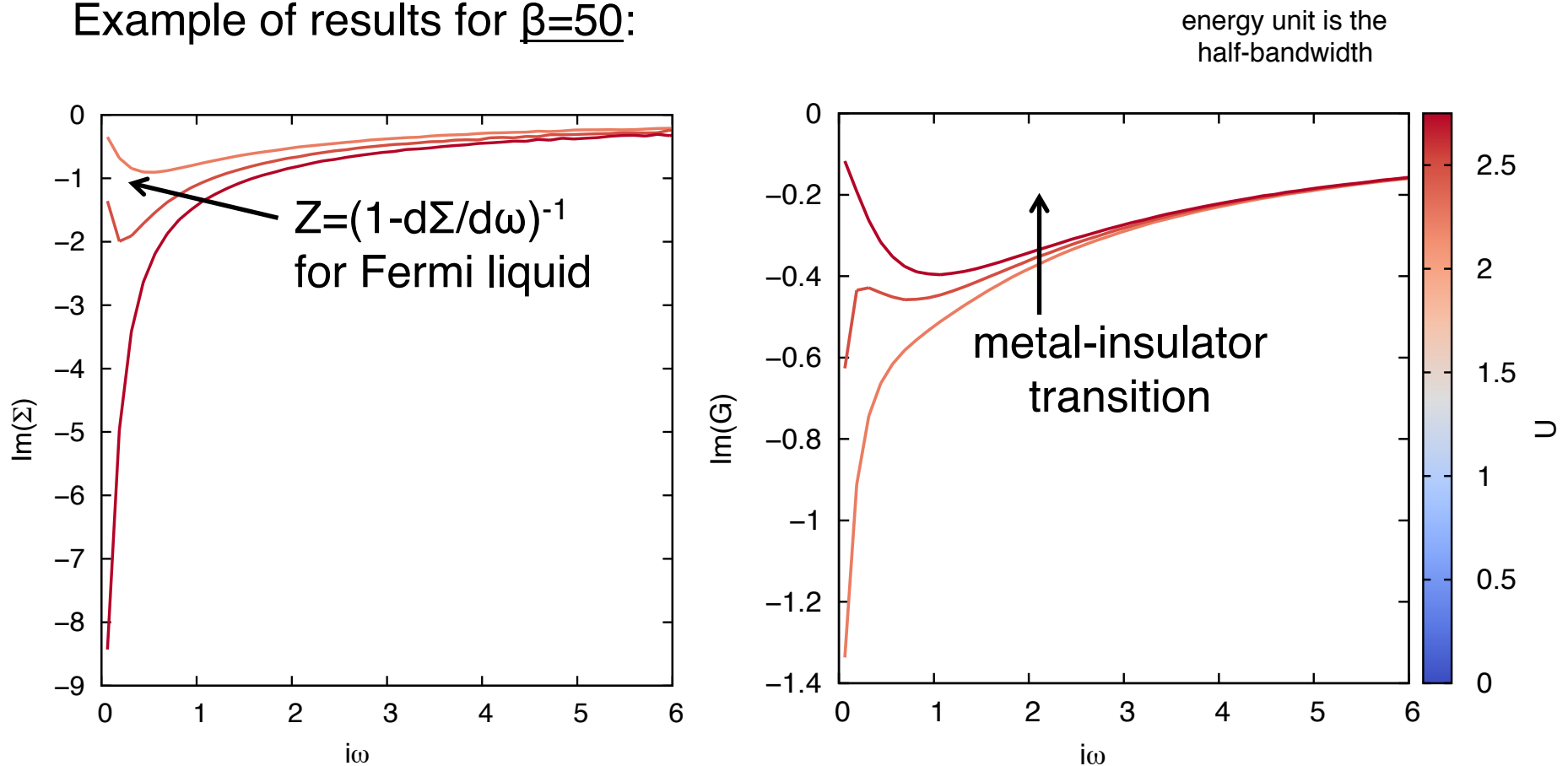
(only 1 for i and j here since atomic superstates are 1D)

Simple Example

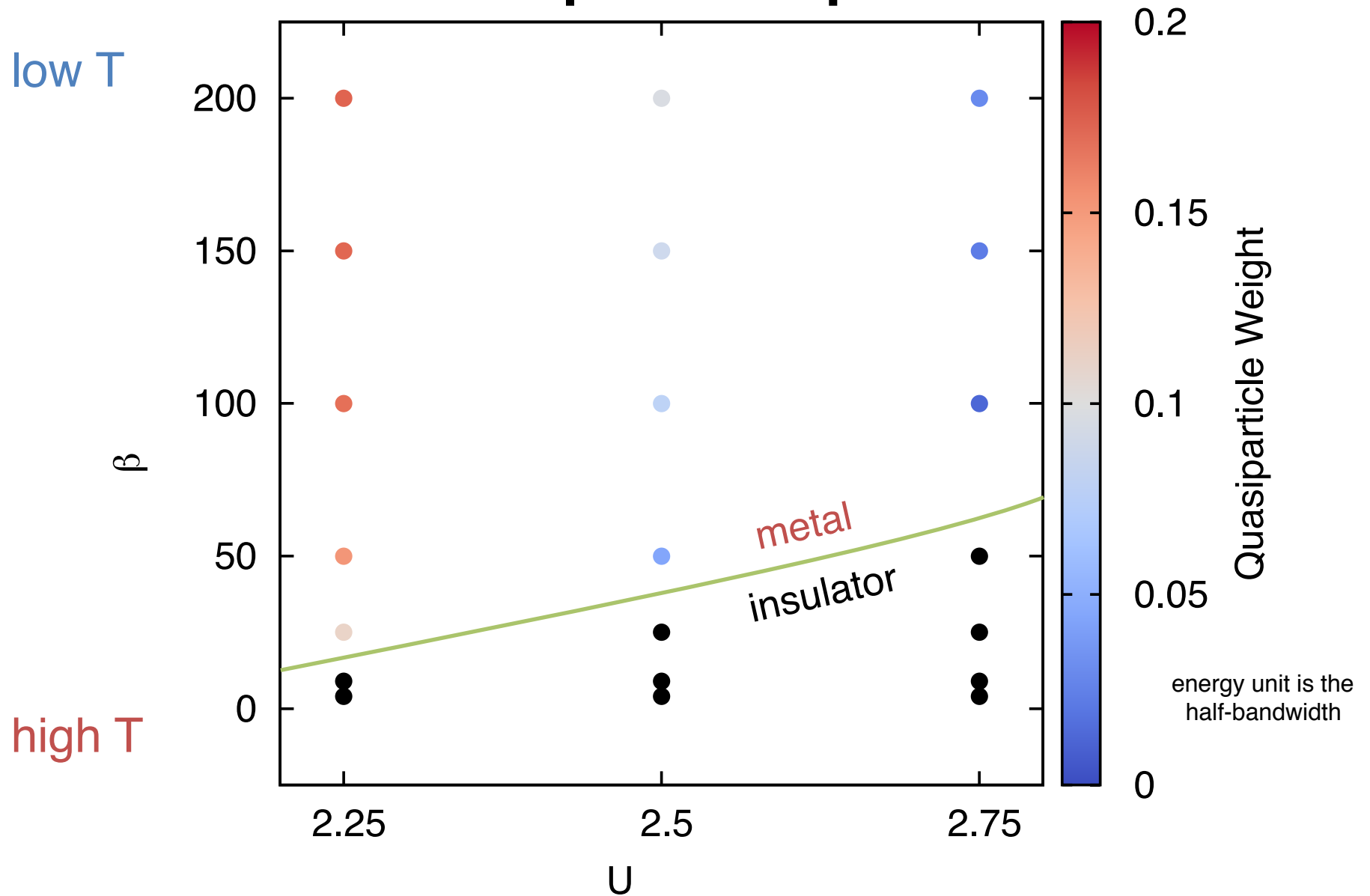
Ran 3 U values for 7 temperatures each with 8 DMFT iterations

For each iteration CTQMC employs 100 million Monte Carlo steps/core on the 20 cores of our dual-socket machines

Example of results for $\beta=50$:



Simple Example

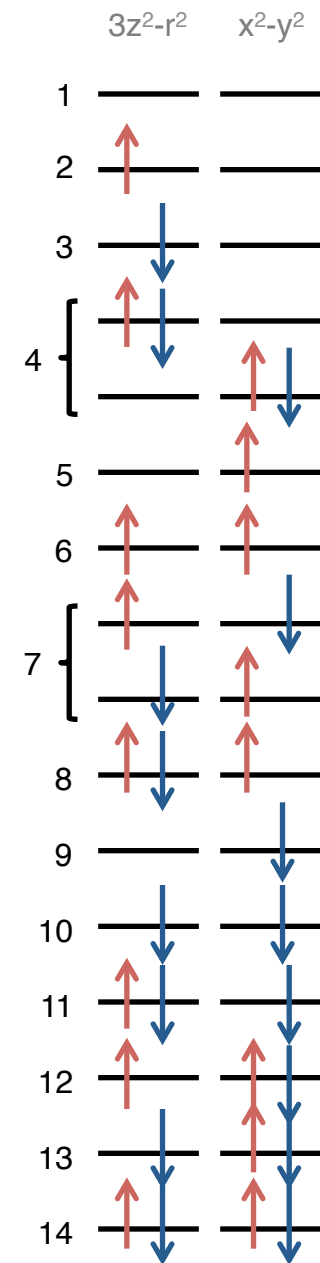


metal-insulator transition for increasing T and increasing U

2-orbital CIX file example: LaNiO_3 E_g

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# CIX file for ctqmc!
# cluster_size, number of states, number of baths, maximum_matrix_size
1 14 4 2
# baths, dimension, symmetry
0 1 0 0
1 1 0 0
2 1 1 1
3 1 1 1
# cluster energies for non-equivalent baths, eps[k]
0.0 -0.03108101
# N K Sz size
1 0 0 0.0 1 2 3 5 9 0.0 0.0
2 1 0 0.5 1 0 4 6 7 0.0 0.0
3 1 0 -0.5 1 4 0 7 10 0.0 0.0
4 2 0 0.0 2 12 13 8 11 -1.031563908 0.969401887996 0.0 0.5
5 1 0 0.5 1 6 7 0 4 -0.03108101 0.0
6 2 0 1.0 1 0 8 0 12 -3.03108101 0.0
7 2 0 0.0 2 8 11 12 13 -3.03108101 -1.03108101 0.0 0.5
8 3 0 0.5 1 0 0 0 14 -5.03108101 0.0
9 1 0 -0.5 1 7 10 4 0 -0.03108101 0.0
10 2 0 -1.0 1 11 0 13 0 -3.03108101 0.0
11 3 0 -0.5 1 0 0 14 0 -5.03108101 0.0
12 3 0 0.5 1 0 14 0 0 -5.06216202 0.0
13 3 0 -0.5 1 14 0 0 0 -5.06216202 0.0
14 4 0 0.0 1 0 0 0 0 -10.06216202 0.0
# matrix elements
1 2 1 1 1.0
1 3 1 1 1.0
[...]
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Future Work

- 1) Better understand how the CIX file is constructed for more complicated cases
- 2) Try ALPS implementation of CT-HYB
- 3) Use this solver to study Li_xCoO_2 and Li_xFePO_4

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