

## Variational CD Driving

recall:  $A_\lambda := (i\partial_\lambda U_\lambda) U_\lambda^\dagger$ , &  $U_\lambda^\dagger H_\lambda U_\lambda = \text{diagonal}$

• for a non-int. many body system,  $U_\lambda$  is generated by a nonlocal operator

$\Rightarrow$  issue:  $A_\lambda$  is a nonlocal op. ( $A_\lambda$  generates  $U_\lambda$ )

$\rightarrow$  cannot be implemented in the lab

Q: can we find a good local approximation?

recall: def of gauge pot.

$$\partial_\lambda H + i[A_\lambda, H] = -M_\lambda$$

def:  $G_\lambda(X) = \partial_\lambda H + i[X, H]$  op.-valued function  
 $\uparrow$  unknown op.

$\Rightarrow$  if  $G_\lambda(X) + M_\lambda = 0$ , then  $X = A_\lambda$

idea: cast problem of looking for a soln to  $G_\lambda(X) + M_\lambda = 0$  as optimization problem wrt  $X$

$\rightarrow$  since  $G_\lambda(X)$  is linear in  $X$ , use a quadratic matrix norm (Frobenius norm):

$$D^2(X) := \text{tr} \left[ (G_\lambda(X) + M_\lambda)^\dagger (G_\lambda(X) + M_\lambda) \right]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{hermitian}}{\leq} \text{tr} \left[ (G_\lambda(X) + M_\lambda)^2 \right] = \text{tr} G_\lambda^2 + \text{tr} M_\lambda^2 + 2 \text{tr} M_\lambda G_\lambda$$

$$D^2(X) = 0 \iff G_\lambda = -M_\lambda$$

$$G_\lambda(X) = \partial_\lambda H + i[X, H]$$

→ calculate:

$$\text{tr } M_\lambda G_\lambda = \text{tr} (M_\lambda D_\lambda H) + i \frac{\text{tr} (M_\lambda [X, H])}{\text{tr} ([M_\lambda, H] X)} = -\text{tr } M_\lambda^2 = 0$$

$$M_\lambda = \sum_n (\hat{D}_\lambda E_n) |u\rangle \langle u|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{tr} (M_\lambda D_\lambda H) &= \text{tr} (M_\lambda (-i [A_\lambda, H] - M_\lambda)) \\ &= -i \text{tr} (\underbrace{[M_\lambda, H] A_\lambda}_{=0}) - \text{tr } M_\lambda^2 \\ &= -\text{tr } M_\lambda^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow D^2(X) = \text{tr} (G_\lambda^2(X)) - \text{tr} (M_\lambda^2)$$

indep. of  $X$

→ drop w/ changing value of minimum

- define a least action principle for adiabatic gauge part

$$S[X] = \text{tr} G^2(X) = \text{tr} (G^\dagger(X) G(X))$$

$X$ : is an op.-valued unknown variable

least action principle:  $\frac{\delta S[X]}{\delta X} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta S}{\delta X_{ij}} &= \frac{\delta}{\delta X_{ij}} (\underbrace{G_{nn} G_{nn}}_{\text{tr}}) = \frac{\delta G_{nn}}{\delta X_{ij}} G_{nn} + \overbrace{G_{nn} \frac{\delta G_{nn}}{\delta X_{ij}}}^{\text{exchange: } n \leftrightarrow n} \\ &= 2 \frac{\delta G_{nn}}{\delta X_{ij}} G_{nn} \end{aligned}$$

using ein sum

$$\frac{\delta G_{nn}}{\delta X_{ij}} = \frac{\delta}{\delta X_{ij}} \left( \underbrace{\partial_\lambda H_{nn}}_{\text{indep. of } X} + i ([X, H])_{nn} \right)$$

$$= i \frac{\delta}{\delta X_{ij}} (X_{ne} H_{em} - H_{ne} X_{em})$$

$$= i (\delta_{in} \delta_{je} H_{em} - \delta_{ie} \delta_{jn} H_{ne})$$

$$i \frac{\delta G_{nn}}{\delta X_{ij}} G_{nn} = \delta_{in} \delta_{je} H_{em} G_{nn} - \delta_{ie} \delta_{jn} H_{ne} G_{nn}$$

$$= H_{jn} G_{ni} - G_{jn} H_{ni}$$

$$= ([H, G])_{ji}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta S}{\delta X} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow [H, G] \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [H, \partial_\lambda H + i [X, H]] \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

defining eq. for  $A_\lambda$ , solved by  $X = A_\lambda + cH$

- least action principle allows us to cast the problem of finding  $A_\lambda$  as a variational optimization problem:

ansatz:  $X_\lambda = \sum_n d_n(\lambda) O_n$

↑  
variational coefficients  
→ to be found by minimizing action  $S[X]$

↳ some operators (educated guess)

• respect locality ✓

• can be implemented in lab

• ...

$$S[X] = S(\{d_n\})$$

goal: find  $d_n(\lambda)$ , s.t.  $X_\lambda \approx A_\lambda$   
 $\uparrow$  in the sense of  $D^2$

procedure: i)  $\frac{\partial S[X]}{\partial d_n} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$

ii) solve for  $d_n$

iii) write down  $X = \sum d_n Q_n$

- consider  $H(\lambda)$  real-valued:

$\Rightarrow U^\dagger H U = \text{diag}$  :  $U$  is real-valued

$\Rightarrow A_\lambda = i(\partial_\lambda U) U^\dagger$  is purely imaginary (e.g.  $\sigma^y$ )

$\Rightarrow \langle n | A_\lambda | n \rangle = 0$  : diag. elements vanish

recall:  $\langle n | A_\lambda | n \rangle = -i \frac{\langle n | \partial_\lambda H | n \rangle}{E_n - E_m}$

$$= \frac{\langle n | \partial_\lambda H | n \rangle}{i(E_n - E_m)} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\langle n | \partial_\lambda H | n \rangle}{\epsilon + i(E_n - E_m)}$$

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^\infty dt e^{-\epsilon t} e^{-i(E_n - E_m)t} \langle n | \partial_\lambda H | n \rangle$$

$$= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^\infty dt e^{-\epsilon t} \langle n | \underbrace{e^{-iHt} \partial_\lambda H e^{+iHt}}_{\text{even number}} | n \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(it)^k}{k!} \underbrace{[H, [H, \dots, [H, \partial_\lambda H] \dots]]}_{k\text{-fold}}$$

- started w/  $\frac{1}{E_n - E_m}$  odd  $k$  of  $(E_n - E_m)$

whereas  $\langle n | \underbrace{[H, [H, \dots, [H, \partial_\lambda H] \dots]}_{\text{even number}} | n \rangle \sim (E_n - E_m)^{2k}$

$\Rightarrow \langle n | \text{even \# comm.} | n \rangle = 0$

$$\langle n | A_\lambda | n \rangle = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^\infty dt e^{-\epsilon t} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-it)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} \langle n | \underbrace{[H, \dots [H, \partial_\lambda H]]}_{\text{odd}} | n \rangle$$

def:

$$A_\lambda = \left( \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^\infty dt e^{-\epsilon t} \sum_k \frac{(-it)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} \underbrace{[H, \dots [H, \partial_\lambda H]]}_{\text{odd}} \right) - \mathcal{M}_\lambda$$

↑  
subtracts  
off-diag. matrix elts.

⇒ ansatz for gauge prod.

$$X_\lambda = \sum_k \underbrace{\alpha_{2k+1}}_{\text{variational coefficients}} \underbrace{[H, \dots, [H, \partial_\lambda H]]}_{2k+1 \text{ times}}$$

examples:

1) 2LS revisited:  $H(\lambda) = \Delta \sigma^z + \lambda \sigma^x$

ansatz:  $X_\lambda = \alpha \sigma^x + \beta \sigma^y + \gamma \sigma^z$   
(all possible operators)

need:  $\partial_\Delta S, \partial_\beta S, \partial_\gamma S$

i) compute:  $S[X] = \text{tr } G^\epsilon(X)$

$$G[X] = \partial_\lambda H + i [X, H]$$

$$= \sigma^x + i [\alpha \sigma^x + \beta \sigma^y + \gamma \sigma^z, \Delta \sigma^z + \lambda \sigma^x]$$

$$= \sigma^x + 2 (\alpha \Delta \sigma^y - \beta \Delta \sigma^x + \beta \lambda \sigma^z - \gamma \lambda \sigma^y)$$

$$= (1 - 2\beta \Delta) \sigma^x + 2(\alpha \Delta - \gamma \lambda) \sigma^y + 2\beta \lambda \sigma^z$$

$$G^2(X) = (1 - 2\beta\Delta)^2 + 4(\lambda\Delta - \gamma\lambda)^2 + 4(\beta\lambda)^2 + \sum_i f_i(\dots) \sigma_i^i$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{tr}} 0$

$$S = \text{tr } G^2(X) = \underbrace{2}_{=2\text{tr}1} [(1 - 2\beta\Delta)^2 + 4(\lambda\Delta - \gamma\lambda)^2 + 4(\beta\lambda)^2]$$

ii) minimize action  $S(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ :

$$\begin{cases} \partial_\alpha S \propto \Delta(\lambda\Delta - \gamma\lambda) \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \\ \partial_\beta S \propto -2\Delta(1 - 2\beta\Delta) + 4\lambda^2\beta \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \\ \partial_\gamma S \propto -\lambda(\lambda\Delta - \gamma\lambda) \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda\Delta = \gamma\lambda \quad \leftarrow \text{relation s.t. } \alpha, \gamma \text{ (*)} \\ -2\Delta + 4\beta(\Delta^2 + \lambda^2) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \beta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta}{\Delta^2 + \lambda^2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow X_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta}{\Delta^2 + \lambda^2} \sigma^y + \lambda \sigma^x \text{ (*)} + \lambda \frac{\Delta}{\lambda} \sigma^z$$

$$= A_2 + \frac{\lambda}{\lambda} \underbrace{(\Delta \sigma^z + \lambda \sigma^x)}_{= H(\lambda)} \quad \checkmark$$

2) Quantum XY model

$$\tilde{H} = - \sum_{j=1}^L J_x \sigma_{j+1}^x \sigma_j^x + J_y \sigma_{j+1}^y \sigma_j^y + h \sigma_j^z$$

$\swarrow$  exchange couplings
 $\swarrow$  external field

$\swarrow$  anisotropy

re-parametrize:  $J_x = \frac{1+\gamma}{2} J$   $\leftarrow$  exchange scale

$J_y = \frac{1-\gamma}{2} J$  (set  $J = 1$  to fix energy scale)

- consider rotating  $\tilde{H}$  about z-axis at angle  $\phi/2$

$$U_\phi = \prod_j e^{-i \frac{\phi}{2} \frac{\sigma_j^z}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(\gamma, \phi, h) = U_\phi^\dagger \tilde{H}(\gamma, h) U_\phi$$

- symmetries: i)  $H(\gamma) = H(-\gamma) \Rightarrow$  restrict to  $\gamma \geq 0$

$$\text{ii) } H(\phi) = H(\phi + \pi) : \begin{array}{l} \sigma^x \rightarrow \sigma^x \\ \sigma^y \rightarrow -\sigma^y \end{array}$$

- apply Jordan-Wigner transformation:

$$\sigma_j^z \sim 1 - c_j^\dagger c_j, \quad \sigma^+ \sim \prod_{i < j} \sigma_i^z c_j^\dagger$$

$\hookrightarrow$  go to momentum space:

$$H = \sum_{k \in \text{BZ}} \psi_k^\dagger H_k \psi_k, \quad H_k = - \begin{pmatrix} h - \cos k & \gamma \sin k e^{-i\phi} \\ \gamma \sin k e^{+i\phi} & -(h - \cos k) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Nambu spinor } \psi_k = (c_k^\dagger, c_{-k})$$

Hamiltonian reduces to a collection of independent 2LS's, one for each momentum mode  $k$ , described by  $H_k(\gamma, \phi, h)$

- 3 parameters to tune:  $\vec{\Gamma} = (\gamma, \phi, h)$

- want gauge potential wrt  $\gamma, \phi, h$

$\rightarrow$  make ansatz for var'l gauge pot.:

$$\chi_k(\vec{\Gamma}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \alpha_k^x(\vec{\Gamma}) \sigma^x + \alpha_k^y(\vec{\Gamma}) \sigma^y + \alpha_k^z(\vec{\Gamma}) \sigma^z \right)$$

$\rightarrow$  compute:

$$i [X_u, H_u] = ( \alpha^y (h - \cos k) - \alpha^z \gamma \sin k \sin \phi ) \sigma^x \\ + ( \alpha^z \gamma \sin k \cos \phi - \alpha^x (h - \cos k) ) \sigma^y \\ + \gamma \sin k ( \alpha^x \sin \phi - \alpha^y \cos \phi ) \sigma^z$$

- action: for  $A_u$  :  $G_u(\vec{a}) = \partial_h H_u + i [X_u, H_u]$

$$\frac{1}{2} S_u[X] = (-1 + \alpha^x \gamma \sin k \sin \phi - \alpha^y \gamma \sin k \cos \phi)^2 \\ + ( \alpha^y (h - \cos k) - \alpha^z \gamma \sin k \sin \phi )^2 \\ + ( \alpha^z \gamma \sin k \cos \phi - \alpha^x (h - \cos k) )^2$$

→ minimizing action  $S_u$  wrt  $\alpha^x/\alpha^y/\alpha^z$  gives:

$$\alpha^x_u = \frac{\gamma \sin k \sin \phi}{\gamma \sin^2 k + (h - \cos k)^2}$$

$$\alpha^y_u = - \frac{\gamma \sin k \cos \phi}{\gamma \sin^2 k + (h - \cos k)^2}$$

$$\alpha^z_u = 0$$

→ read off gauge pot.:

$$A_u = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \frac{\gamma \sin k}{(\cos k - h)^2 + \gamma^2 \sin^2 k} \psi_u^\dagger (\sin \phi \sigma^x - \cos \phi \sigma^y) \psi_u$$

→ similarly for  $A_y, A_z$

Remarks:

→ gauge potentials look simple in momentum space but can be non-local (long-range) in real space

→ gauge potential contain long strings of Pauli ops  
 when written in terms of the original spin ops  
 (inverting JW transd.)

to see this: fix  $y=1$ ,  $\phi=0$

$$A_h = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_k \frac{\sin k}{(\cos k - h)^2 + \sin^2 k} \psi_u^\dagger \sigma^z \psi_v$$

use: 1)  $\psi_u^\dagger \sigma^z \psi_v = \frac{1}{L} \sum_l \sin(lk) \sum_j i (c_j^\dagger c_{j+l}^\dagger - c_{j+l} c_j)$

2)  $\mathcal{D}_l := 2i \sum_j c_j^\dagger c_{j+l}^\dagger - c_{j+l} c_j$

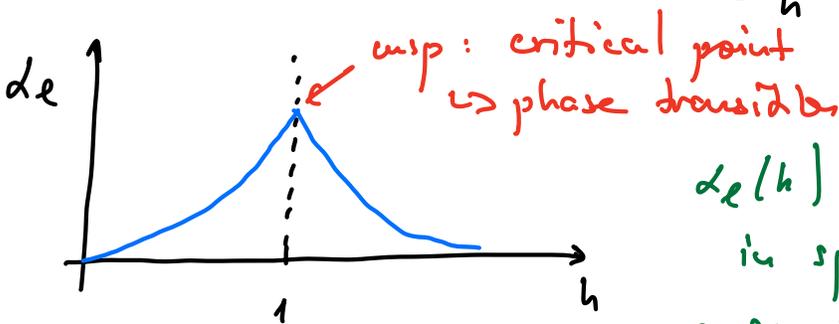
inv. JW  
 $= \sum_j \underbrace{\sigma_j^x \sigma_{j+1}^z \dots \sigma_{j+l-1}^z \sigma_{j+l}^x}_{\text{non-local Pauli strings}} + \sigma_j^y \underbrace{\sigma_{j+1}^z \dots \sigma_{j+l-1}^z \sigma_{j+l}^y}$

then  $A_h = \sum_l d_l \mathcal{D}_l$

where  $d_l = -\frac{1}{\gamma L} \sum_{k \in BZ} \frac{\sin(lk) \sin k}{(\cos k - h)^2 + \sin^2 k}$

TD limit  
 $\xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{\gamma \pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk \frac{\sin(lk) \sin k}{(\cos k - h)^2 + \sin^2 k}$

$$= -\frac{1}{\gamma} \begin{cases} h^{l-1}, & |h| \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{h^{l+1}}, & |h| \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



$d_l(h)$  decays exponentially in  
 in space (i.e. in  $l$ )  
 away from critical pt. at  $h_c=1$

→ away from critical point, truncate:

$$A_2 \approx d_1 \mathcal{O}_1 + d_2 \mathcal{O}_2$$

$$= d_1 \sum_j \sigma_j^x \sigma_{j+1}^y + \sigma_j^y \sigma_{j+1}^x$$

$$+ d_2 \sum_j \sigma_j^x \sigma_{j+1}^z \sigma_{j+2}^x + \sigma_j^y \sigma_{j+1}^z \sigma_{j+2}^y$$

local approximation