

# Quantum Monte Carlo in momentum space and on the Lefschetz thimble

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## Configuration Interaction Monte Carlo

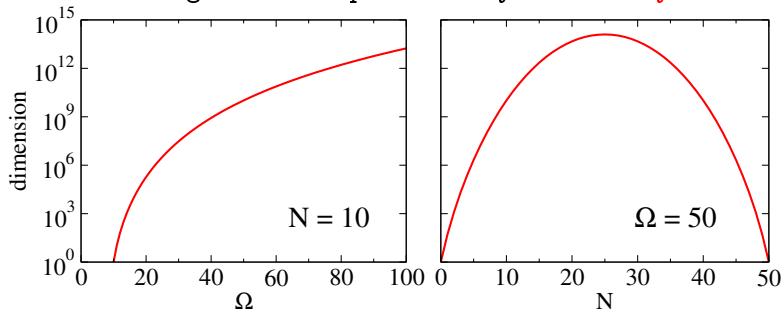
- QMC *a la* fixed-node DMC in CI/k-space  
QMC with non-local ( $\chi$  EFT) forces
- Variational energies from CC wave functions  
Standard CC theory is non-variational
- Momentum distribution in QMC

# The rise of second quantization

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Full-CI diagonalization possible only for **small systems**



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- A general  $V_{ijkl}$  leads to a **non-local** interaction in r-space
- **Cannot apply standard r-space fixed-node DMC**
- **Formulate DMC in CI space?**



# Configuration interaction Monte Carlo

- Use the power method

$$|\Psi_{\text{Ground State}}\rangle = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}^N |\Psi_{\text{Initial State}}\rangle$$

- Occupation number basis :  $|\mathbf{n}\rangle = |\dots 0101 \dots\rangle$
  - Interpret  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{m}\mathbf{n}}$  as transition probabilities
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- Propagator
    - Simplest choice:  $\mathcal{P} = (1 - \Delta\tau H)$
    - In reality we use more efficient propagators :  $e^{-\Delta\tau(H - E_T)}$

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Can we get known CI w.f.s to work with MC?

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## Antisymmetric geminal power

- For even N

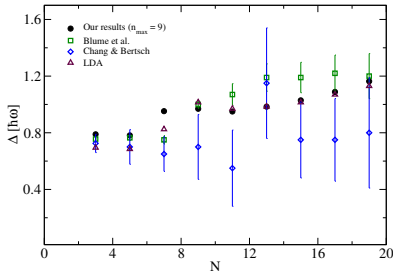
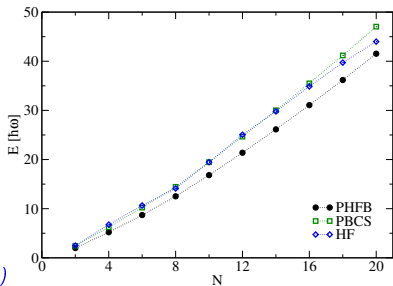
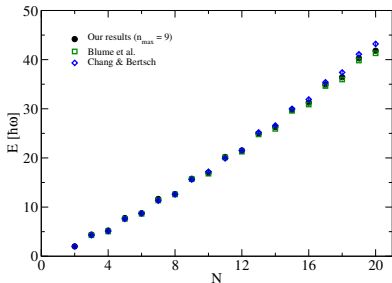
$$|\Phi_{AGP}\rangle = \left( \phi_{ij} a_i^\dagger a_j^\dagger \right)^{N/2} |0\rangle$$

- For odd N, we put the additional particle in a general sp orbital
- Fast algorithms :  $\langle \mathbf{n} | \Phi_G \rangle$  is a Pfaffian ( $\sim N^3$ ).
- Very flexible : can include different kinds of 2b correlations
- HFB, BCS, HF are special cases

# Trapped unitary fermi gas

- Atoms in a harmonic trap
- Contact interaction among  $\uparrow$  and  $\downarrow$  spins only
- In this case  $\langle \mathbf{n} | \Phi_G \rangle$  is a determinant!

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## Coupled Cluster wave functions

$$|\Phi_{CC}\rangle = e^T |\Phi_0\rangle$$

$$T = \sum t_i^a a_a^\dagger a_i + \sum t_{ij}^{ab} a_a^\dagger a_b^\dagger a_i a_j + \dots$$

- Different truncations for  $T$  lead to different approximations CCD, CCSD, CCSDT ...
- Accurate: CCSD(T) is 'gold standard' in chemistry ✓
- Energies **not variational** in the standard approach ✗

Can we calculate  $\langle \mathbf{n} | \Phi_{CC} \rangle$  quickly?

## The magic formula

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Recursive formula:

$$\Phi_{\text{CCD}}^m(\dots) = \sum_{\gamma=2}^m \sum_{\mu < \nu}^m (-)^{\gamma+\mu+\nu} t_{h_1 h_\gamma}^{p_\mu p_\nu} \Phi_{\text{CCD}}^{m-2}(\dots)$$



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- Can be easily generalized to CCSD, CCSDT ...
- Scaling only with # ph
- **No scaling with particle number or basis size!**

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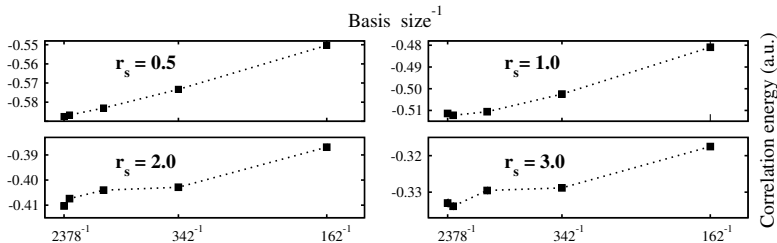
How to do CIMC?

- Lattice in momentum space
- Single particle basis = plane waves
- Include all sp states up to some  $k^2 \leq k_{\max}^2$

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- CCD + CIMC captures  $\sim 95\%$  of the correlation energy
- No adjustable parameters in the wf
- Accuracy comparable to r-space MC
- Can improve systematically: CCDT, ...

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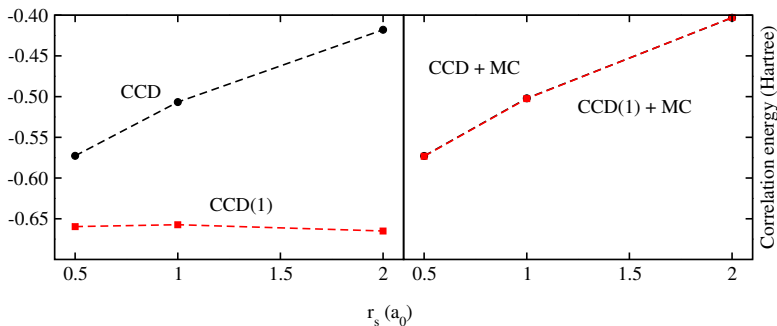
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But, we can do better ...

Sign-structure important, not exact amplitudes



- CCD(1) = CCD wf with amplitudes taken from 2nd order perturbation theory
- Huge saving in computational time
- Can be very important for CCSD(T)

## Fringe benefits: momentum distribution

- Difficult in r-space MC
- However, its diagonal in k-space ✓
- We can even calculate **pure estimators** ✓
  - Typically in DMC/GFMC one calculates  $\langle \Phi_G | \mathcal{O} | \Psi \rangle$
  - **Not** the same as  $\langle \Psi | \mathcal{O} | \Psi \rangle$ , if  $[\mathcal{O}, H] \neq 0$
  - But in CIMC we can calculate  $\langle \Psi | \mathcal{O} | \Psi \rangle$  using the Feynman-Hellmann theorem

$$\langle \Psi | \mathbf{n}_k | \Psi \rangle = \left. \frac{\partial \langle H + \alpha \mathbf{n}_k \rangle}{\partial \alpha} \right|_0 = \langle \Phi_G | \mathbf{n}_k | \Psi \rangle - \text{const.} \times \text{cov}(E, \mathbf{n}_k)$$

No need to calculate numerical derivatives! ✓

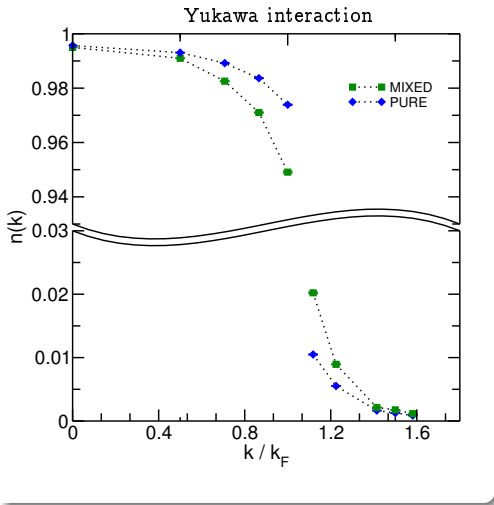
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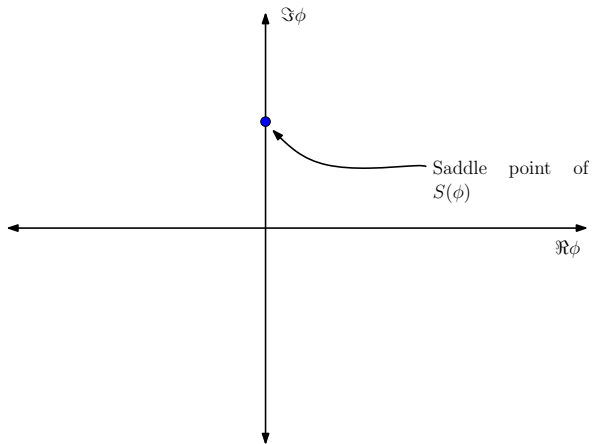
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- We want to calculate quantities like this

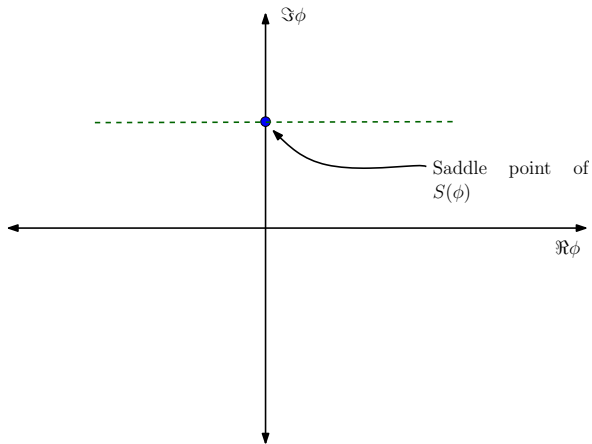
$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d\phi \mathcal{O}(\phi) e^{-S(\phi)}}{\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d\phi e^{-S(\phi)}}$$

- If  $S(\phi)$  is **not real**, we have **a sign problem**.
- Can we do better by letting  $\phi$  venture into **the complex plane**?

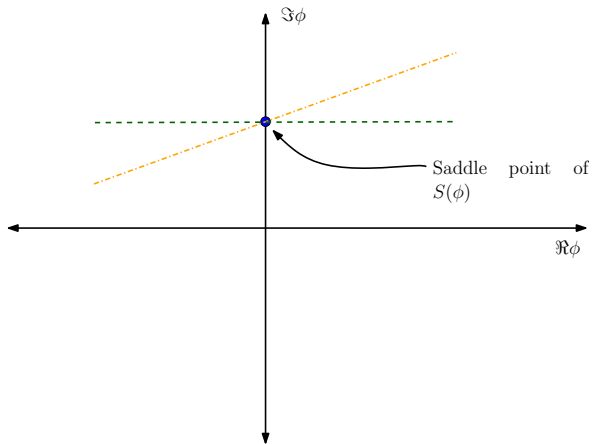
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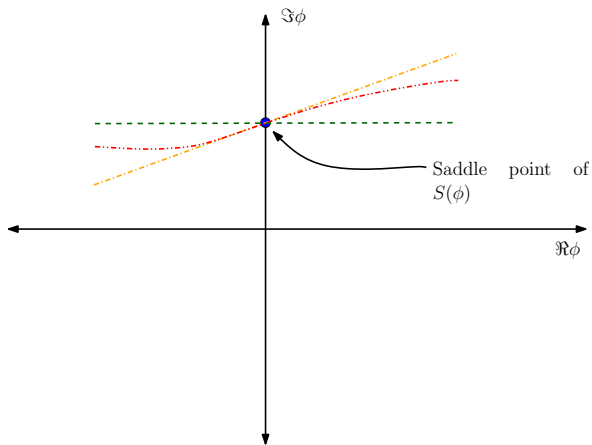
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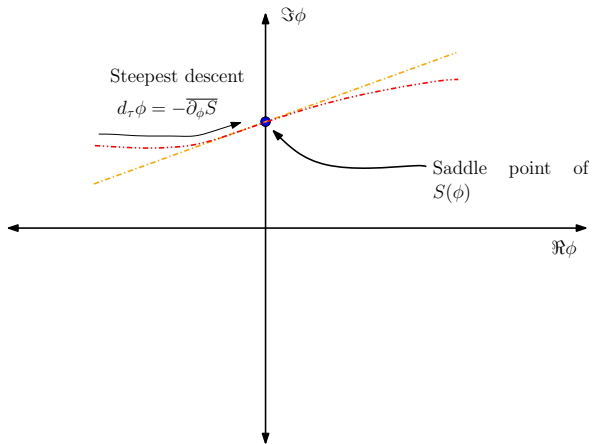
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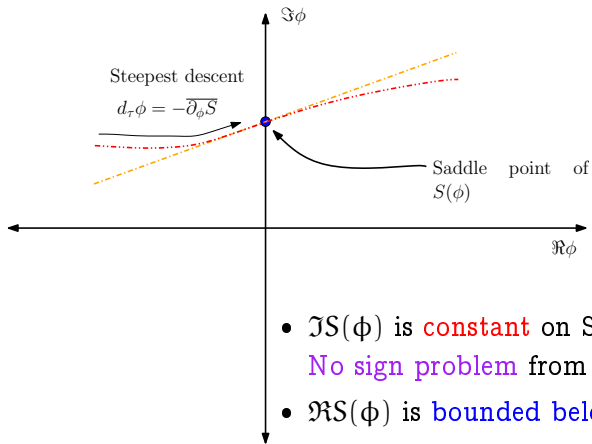
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## Life and times on the Lefschetz thimble

- A Lefschetz thimble is a many dimensional generalization of the paths of steepest descent
- It is the union of all paths of steepest descent which end at the saddle point at  $\tau \rightarrow \infty$
- It is a **n-dimensional object** ✓
- On the Lefschetz thimble

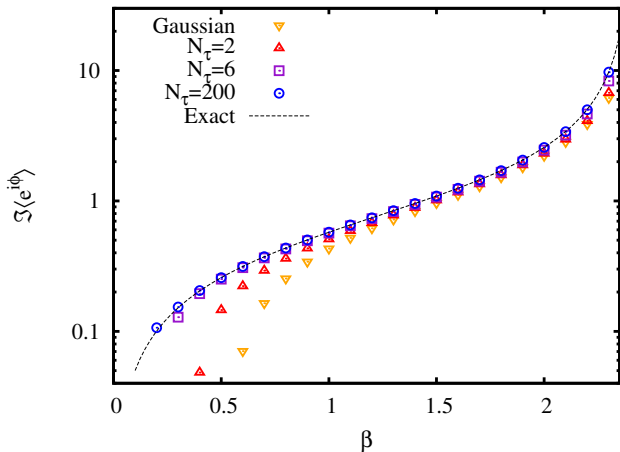
$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{e^{-i\Im S} \int_{\mathcal{J}} d\phi \mathcal{O}(\phi) e^{-\Re S(\phi)}}{e^{-i\Im S} \int_{\mathcal{J}} d\phi e^{-\Re S(\phi)}}$$

Constant



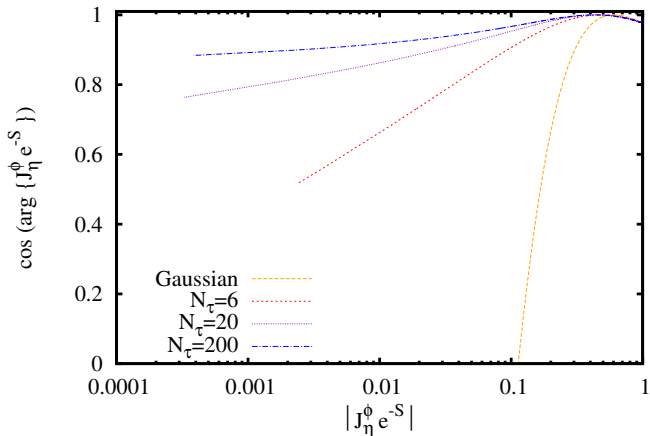
Non-trivial measure

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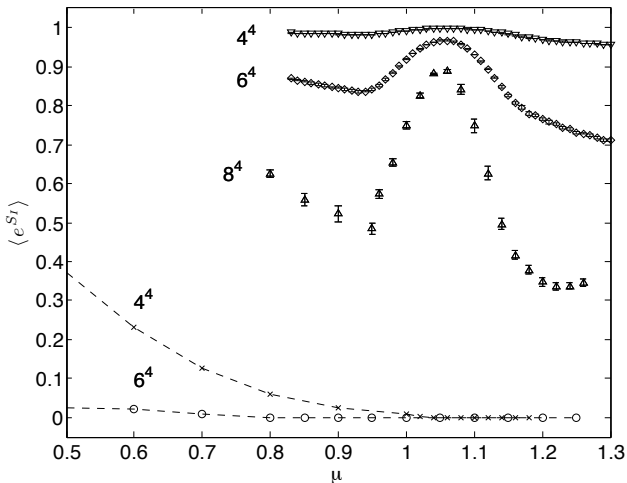
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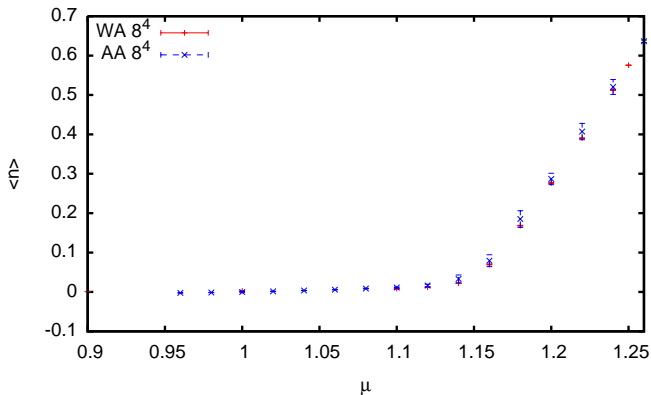
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## Details

Q How to sample on the Lefschetz thimble?

We have used two different algorithms

- Langevin dynamics, improved version in progress
- Mapping Lefschetz thimble  $\rightarrow$  flat manifold + Metropolis

Q What about the measure?

Need to calculate the Jacobian of the tangent space

Q Does the measure lead to a sign problem?

We cannot prove that it does not, **but**

- Leading order = 1
- Fluctuations small where  $e^{-\Re S}$  large

Q Enough to integrate on one (or a small #) thimble(s)?

Strong arguments in favor, but no rigorous proof

THE END

## Fixing the sign problem in Fock space

- Comes from the Hamiltonian (if  $H_{mn} > 0$  for  $m \neq n$ )
- Carrying walker sign leads to a null state
- No concept of 'continuity' in discrete Fock space
- Node fixing **not** possible 😡

### Fixed 'sign' Hamiltonian

$$[\mathcal{H}_\gamma]_{mn} = \delta_{mn} \{ H_{nn} + (1 + \gamma) \sum_{s_{nn'} > 0} \Phi_G(\mathbf{n}') H_{\mathbf{n}'\mathbf{n}} \Phi_G(\mathbf{n})^{-1} \} \\ + (1 - \delta_{mn}) \{ \gamma \Theta(s_{mn}) + \Theta(-s_{mn}) \} H_{mn}$$

where  $s_{mn} = \text{sign}\{\Phi_G(\mathbf{m}) H_{mn} \Phi_G(\mathbf{n})^{-1}\}$



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$$[\mathcal{P}_\gamma]_{\mathbf{mn}} = \Phi_{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{m}) \{ \delta_{\mathbf{mn}} - \Delta\tau ([\mathcal{H}_\gamma]_{\mathbf{mn}} - E_{\mathbf{T}}\delta_{\mathbf{mn}}) \} \Phi_{\mathbf{G}}^{-1}(\mathbf{n})$$

- $\mathcal{H}_{\gamma=-1} = H$
- $\mathcal{H}_{0 \leq \gamma \leq 1}$  has **no sign problem by construction**
- GS energies of  $\mathcal{H}_{0 \leq \gamma \leq 1}$  provide **upper bounds** for the GS energy of  $H$
- So does any **linear extrapolation** to  $\gamma = -1$

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Our tightest upper bound for GS energy of  $H$  is :

$$E_{\text{CIMC}} = 2E_{\text{GS}}[\mathcal{H}_{\gamma=0}] - E_{\text{GS}}[\mathcal{H}_{\gamma=1}]$$