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**Multi-Length Scale Matrix Computations**  
and Applications in Quantum Mechanical Simulations

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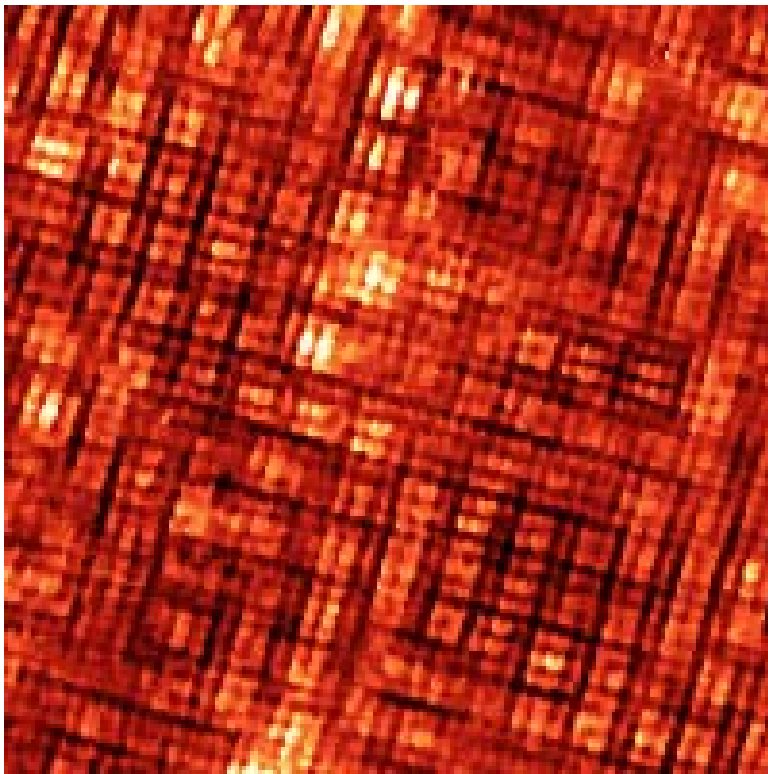
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# Computational Material Science

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Simulation and understanding properties of solid-state materials: magnetism, metal-insulator transition, high temperature superconductivity, ...



Conductance map of an electronic crystal state ... at the atomic scale. [T. Hanaguri *et al*, *Nature* 430, 1001 (2004)]

## Outline of this talk

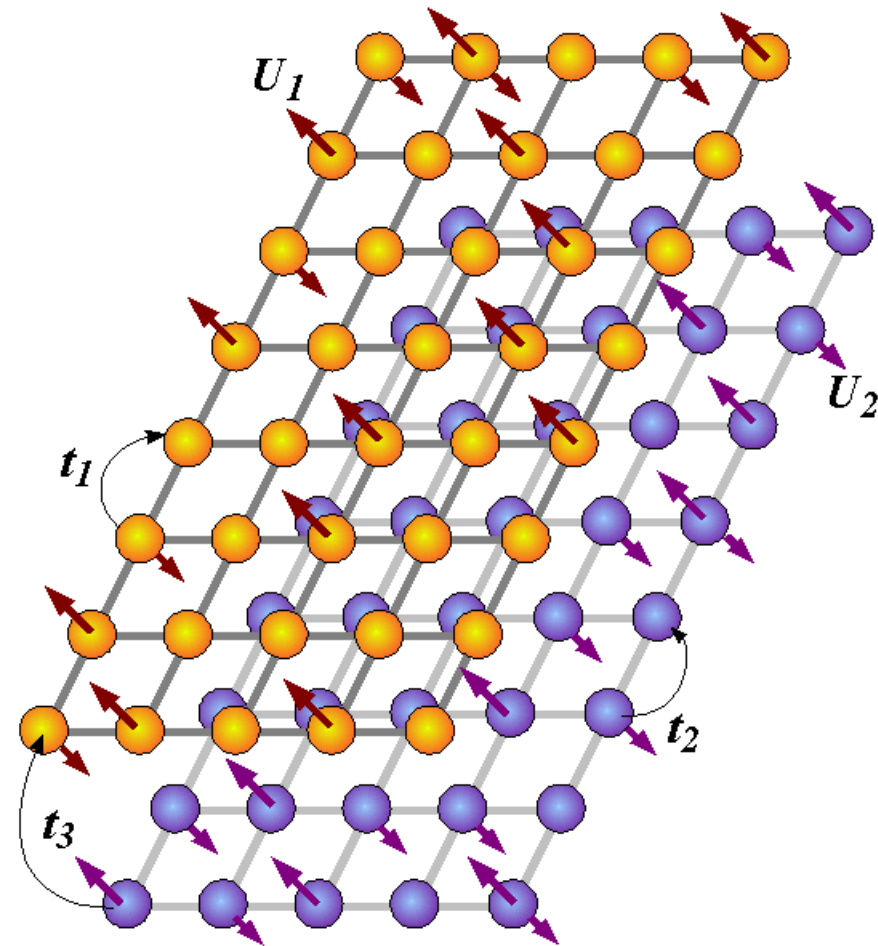
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1. Hubbard model and quantum Monte Carlo simulation
2. **QUEST**: QUantum Electron Simulation Toolbox
3. Multi-length scale matrix computations – “**tensor-based?**”
  - Multi-length scale matrix analysis
  - Communication-avoiding stable matrix inversion
  - Self-adapting direct linear solvers
  - Robust preconditioned iterative solvers
4. Concluding remarks

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# Many body simulation on multi-layer lattice

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Hubbard model and quantum Monte Carlo simulation

## Hubbard Hamiltonian – $4^N$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H} &= \mathcal{H}_K + \mathcal{H}_\mu + \mathcal{H}_V \\ &= -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} (c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma}) + \mu \sum_i (n_{i\uparrow} + n_{i\downarrow}) + U \sum_i (n_{i\uparrow} - \frac{1}{2})(n_{i\downarrow} - \frac{1}{2})\end{aligned}$$

- $\langle i, j \rangle$ : a pair of nearest-neighbor spatial sites
- $\sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$ : spin direction of electrons
- $c_{i\sigma}^\dagger$  ( $c_{i\sigma}$ ) creates (destroys) an electron of spin  $\sigma$  on site  $i$
- $t$ : hopping parameter  $\Leftarrow$  kinetic energy
- $U$ : local repulsion between electrons  $\Leftarrow$  potential energy
- $\mu$ : controls the electron density  $\Leftarrow$  chemical potential energy

Related quantum many body models:

- Ising model for phase transition
- Anderson model of localization for electron transport

## Physical observable $\mathcal{E}$

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The expected value of a physical observable  $\mathcal{E}$ , such as *density-density correlation*, *spin-spin correlation*, *the magnetic susceptibility*, is given by

$$\langle \mathcal{E} \rangle = \text{Tr} (\mathcal{E} \mathcal{P}),$$

where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the probability (Boltzmann) distribution

$$\mathcal{P} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}}$$

and

$$\beta \propto \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{\text{Temperature}}$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \text{Tr}(e^{-\beta \mathcal{H}}) = \text{the partition function}$$

# Computational approximations of Boltzmann distribution $\mathcal{P}$

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$$\mathcal{P} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} e^{-\beta\mathcal{H}} \quad \text{“path integral”} \longrightarrow \begin{cases} P(h) = \frac{1}{Z_h} \det[M_+(h)] \det[M_-(h)] \\ P(x, p, \Phi_\sigma) = \frac{1}{Z_H} e^{-H(x, p, \Phi_\sigma)} \end{cases}$$

[Feynman'65, ....]

- Determinant QMC

$$h \sim P(h)$$

- Hybrid QMC (=molecular dynamics + mc)

$$(x; p, \Phi_\sigma) \sim P(x; p, \Phi_\sigma)$$

[Blankenbecler/Scalapino/Sugar'81, Hirsch'85, ....]

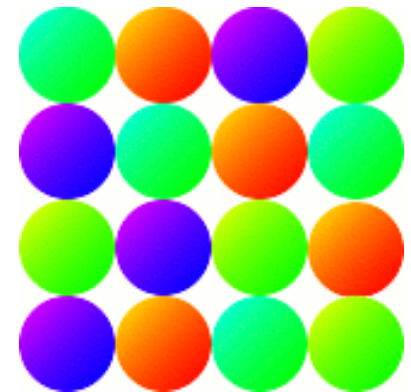
[Scalettar/Scalapino/Sugar/Toussaint'87, ....]

Hubbard model and quantum Monte Carlo simulation

# QUEST: QUantum Electron Simulation Toolbox

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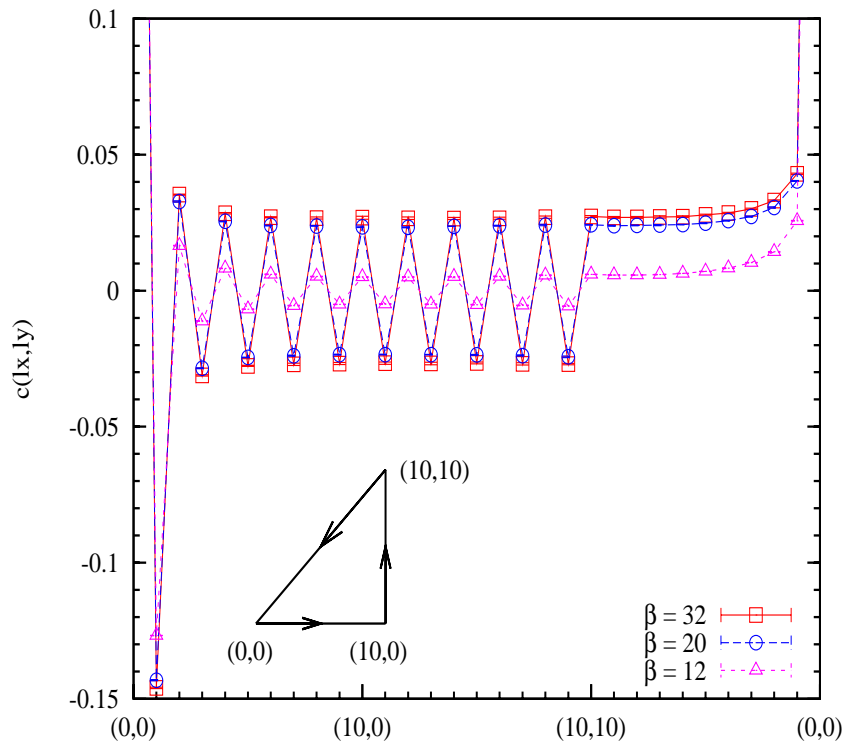
- Fortran 90 package for determinant (and hybrid) Monte Carlo simulations
- Integration and revision of several “legacy” codes developed in the past two decades
- Modulized structures and configurations
  - variations of Hamiltonian
  - different lattice geometry and multi-layer
  - many physical measurements
- *Stable and efficient multi-length scale matrix computation kernels*
- Partially parallelized (MPI, OpenMP)



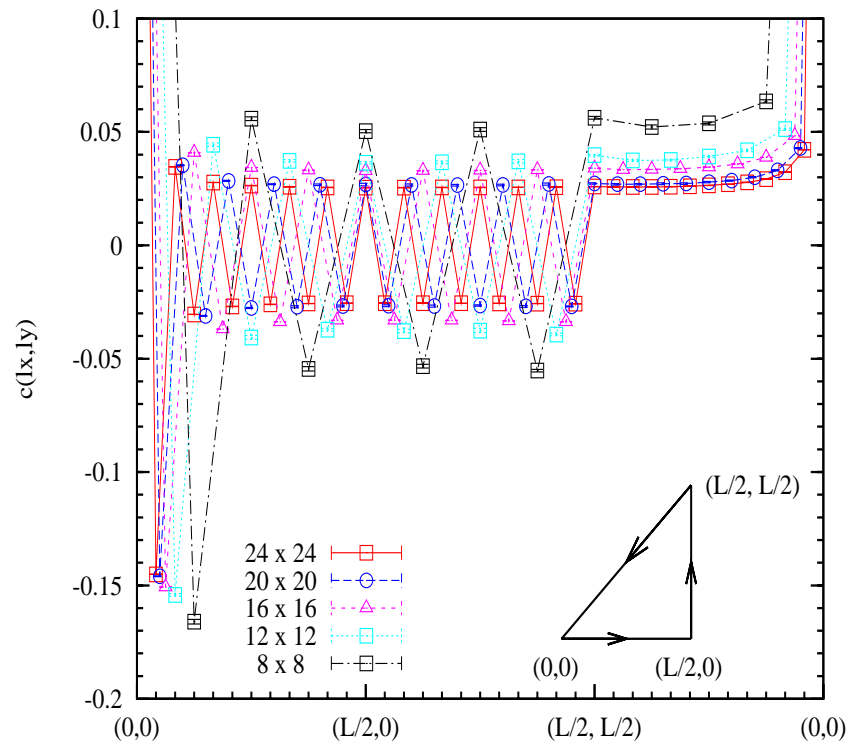
QUEST



# QUEST $\Rightarrow$ “Right” Physics and “Record-breaking” lattice sizes



magnetism forms as  $T$  is lowered



large lattice sizes lead to converge

## Matrix kernel

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- Multi-length scale matrices

DQMC:

$$M_\sigma(h) = I + BD_L BD_{L-1} \cdots BD_1$$

HQMC:

$$M_\sigma(x) = I_{NL} - (I_N \otimes B) D_{[L]} (P \otimes I_N)$$

- $B = e^{t\Delta\tau K}$

$$D_\ell = e^{\sigma V_\ell(x_\ell)}$$

- $D_{[L]} = \text{diag}(D_1, D_2, \dots, D_L)$

$$V_\ell(x_\ell) = \text{diag}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_L)$$

- $K$  is defined based on lattice structure:

$$K = K_x \oplus K_y \text{ for 2-D rectangle}$$

## Multi-length scaling

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- Length-scales:  $N, L$ 
  - $N$ : spatial lattice size,
  - $L$ : the number of imaginary-time slices,
- Energy scales:  $t, U, \beta$ 
  - $t$ : hopping of electrons between atoms and layers (kinetic energy),
  - $U$ : strength of the interactions between the electrons (potential energy),
  - $\beta$ : inverse temperature,
- Length and energy scale connection:  $\Delta\tau = \frac{\beta}{L}$

In more complex situations other energy scales also enter, such as the frequency of ionic vibrations (phonons) and the strength of the coupling of electrons to those vibrations

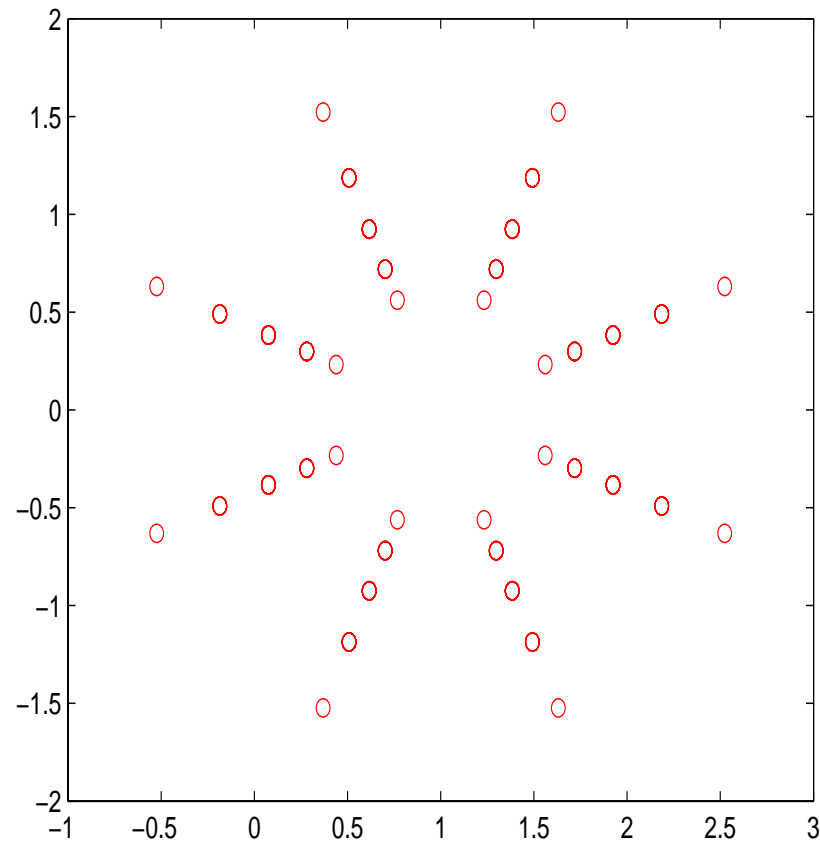


## Hubbard matrix eigenvalue distribution $\lambda(M)$

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$$\lambda(M) = 1 - \lambda(B_L \cdots B_2 B_1)^{\frac{1}{L}} e^{i \frac{(2\ell+1)\pi}{L}}, \quad 0 \leq \ell \leq L - 1$$

[Frobenius '12, Romanovsky '43, Varga '62]



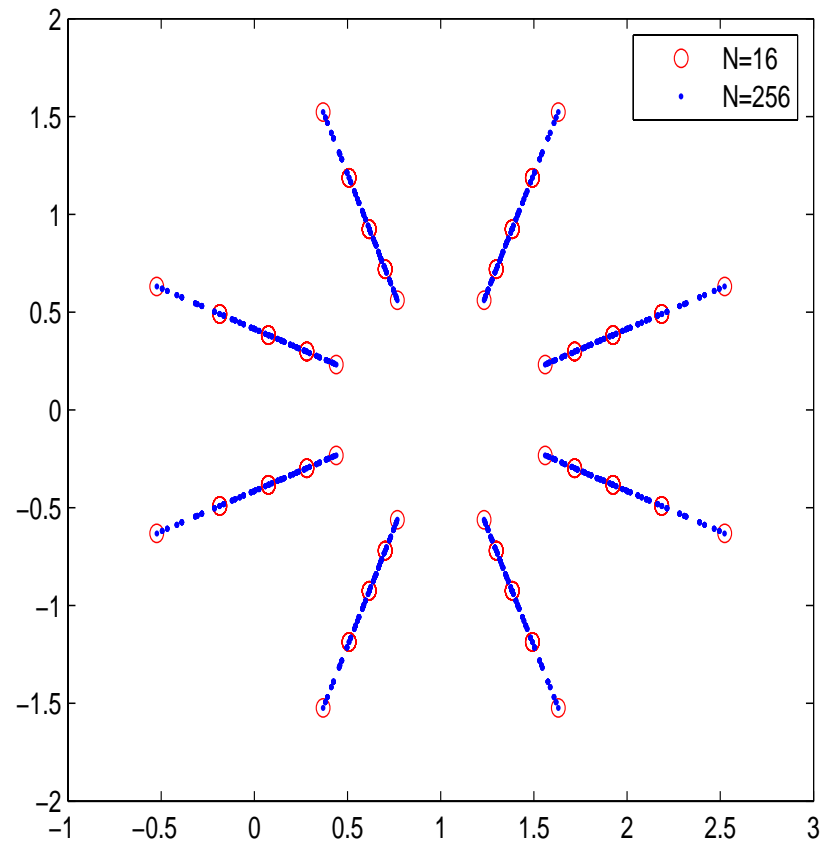
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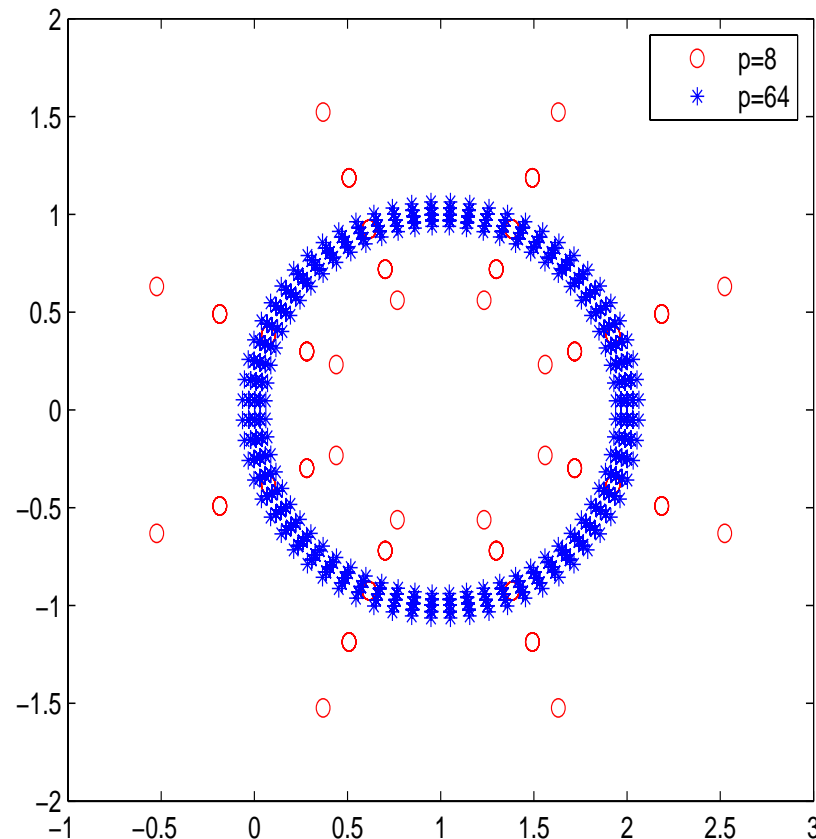
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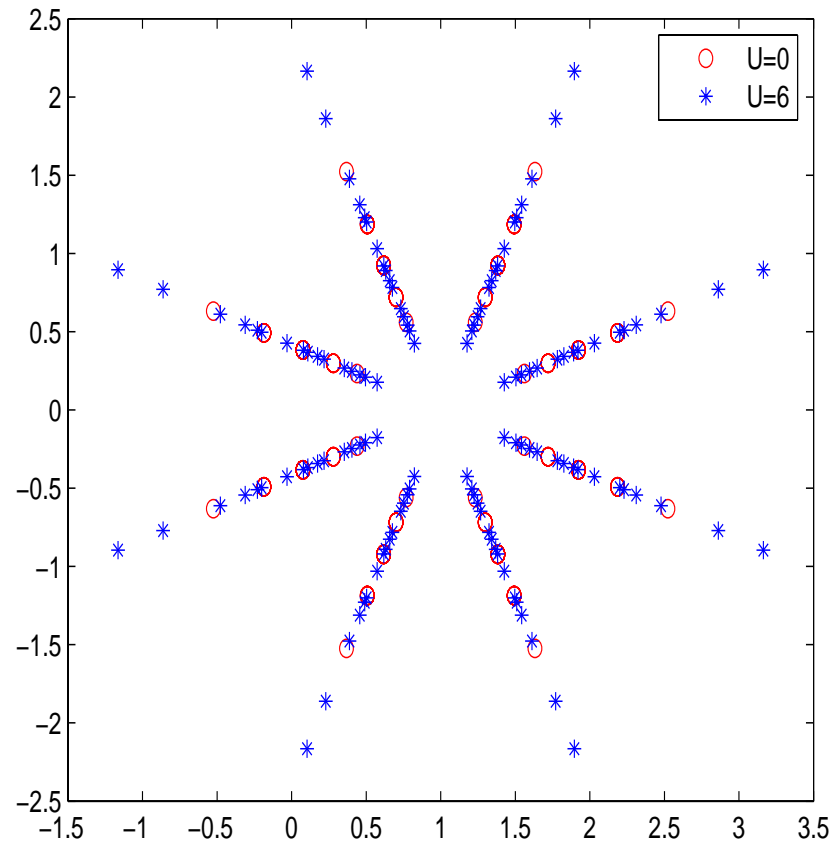
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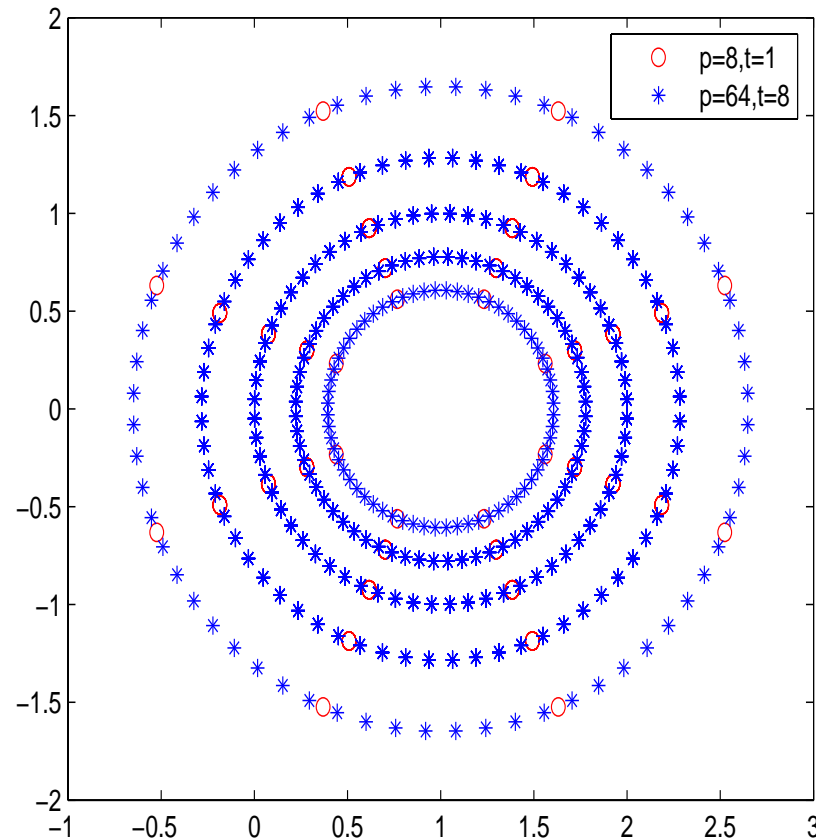


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Multi-length scale matrix analysis

## Communication-avoiding stable matrix inversion

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- Green's function

$$G = M^{-1} = (I + B_L B_{L-1} \cdots B_1)^{-1}$$

- Singular values of  $B_L B_{L-1} \cdots B_1$  could spread out from  $10^{30}$  to  $10^{-30}$
- A number of methods have been studied to calculate the matrix product in our community, Heath/Laub/Paige/Ward, Bojanczyk/Nagy/Plemmmons, van Dooren, Kagstrom, ...
- *Graded (stratified) decomposition*

$$B_L B_{L-1} \cdots B_1 = UDT = U \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} & & & \\ & \mathbf{X} & & \\ & & \mathbf{x} & \\ & & & \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix} T$$

using **QR with pivoting**, and proper ordering of multiplications [Loh *et al*'92], or Jacobi rotations [Stewart'94].

- $G = M^{-1} = (I + UDT)^{-1} = T^{-1}(U^T T^{-1} + D)^{-1} U^T$

Communication-avoiding stable matrix inversion

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- QR with pivoting is *not friendly* to multicore computing

BLAS/LAPACK in MKL on Intel Quad 2.4GHz

Gflops	dgemm	dgeqrf	dgeqp3
1-core	7.79	6.47	1.47
2-core	15.68	13.10	2.47
2-way Quad	26.39	21.68	3.22

- We developed an alternative based on a block structure orthogonal factorization (BSOF) *without pivoting*

	UDT	BSOF
1-core	4.02	7.68
2-core	5.06	13.28
2-way Quad	6.22	18.85

Communication-avoiding stable matrix inversion

## Self-adapting direct linear solvers

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- Block cyclic reduction

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & & & & B_1 \\ -B_2 & I & & & \\ & -B_3 & I & & \\ & & -B_4 & I & \\ & & & -B_5 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I & & B_1 \\ -B_3 B_2 & I & \\ & -B_5 B_4 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_3 \\ x_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_3^{(2)} \\ b_5^{(2)} \end{bmatrix},$$

- Factor of  $2^k$ -reduction, however, limited  $k$  due to numerical instability

[Buzbee/Golub/Nielson'70, ... ]

## Self-adapting direct linear solvers

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- Block structured orthogonal factorization (BSOF)

$$M = (Q_1 Q_2 \cdots Q_L) R,$$

i.e.

$$\begin{bmatrix} I & & & & B_1 \\ -B_2 & I & & & \\ & \cdots & \cdots & & \\ & & & -B_L & I \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{Q_k} \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & X & & & X \\ & R_2 & X & & X \\ & & \cdots & \cdots & X \\ & & & R_{L-1} & X \\ & & & & R_L \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Rich substructure of  $Q_1 Q_2 \cdots Q_L$   
exploited for the Green's function calculations
- Parallelizable [Wright'92,...]
- Stable method, but, high memory cost  $\mathcal{O}(N^2 L)$ .

# Self-adapting direct linear solvers

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Block cyclic reduction + BSOF:

1.  $k$ -step block reduction:

$$Mx = b \implies M^{(k)}x^{(k)} = b^{(k)}$$

i.e.,

$$\text{block } L\text{-cyclic system} \implies \text{block } \frac{L}{k}\text{-cyclic system}$$

2. BSOF

$$Q_{\frac{L}{k}-1}^T \cdots Q_1^T M^{(k)} = R,$$

and compute  $x^{(k)}$

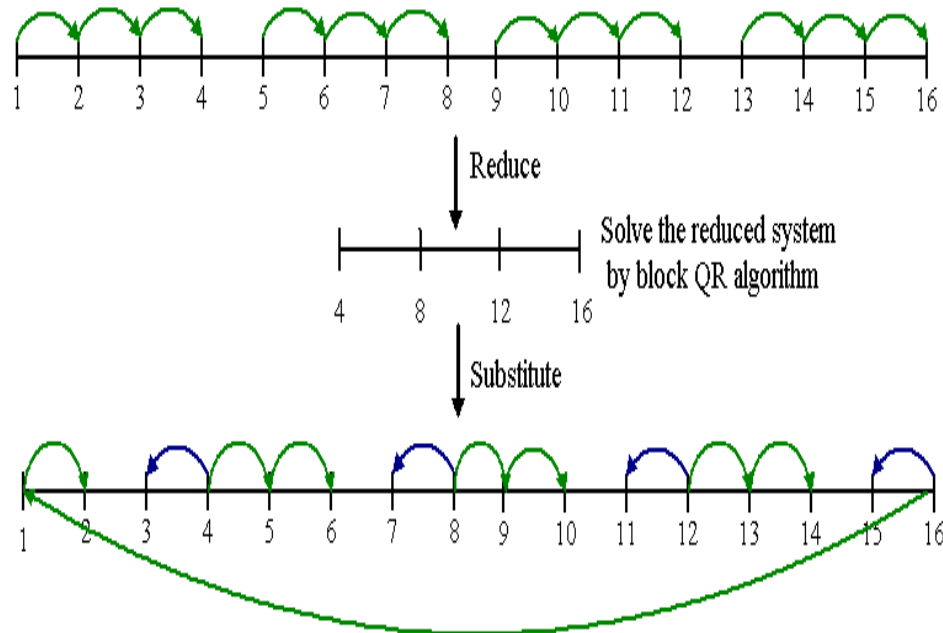
3. Forward and back substitutions:

$$x_i \longleftarrow x^{(k)} \longrightarrow x_j$$

# Self-adapting direct linear solvers

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Factor- $k$  reduction:



- The order of  $M^{(k)}$  is reduced by a factor of  $k$ .
- However, the condition number of  $M^{(k)}$  increases when  $k$  increases.
- *How to **self-adaptively** determine the reduction factor  $k$  so that the computed solutions have the required accuracy?*

## Self-adapting direct linear solvers

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Self-adaptive reduction factor  $k$

Given a desired accuracy

$$\frac{\|x_\ell - \hat{x}_\ell\|}{\|x_\ell\|} \leq \text{tol},$$

by an error analysis of  $\hat{x}_\ell$  and conditioning estimation of  $M^{(k)}$ , the reduction factor  $k$  is then **adaptively** determined with respect to the simulation parameters  $L(\beta), U, \dots$ :

$$k = \left\lceil \frac{\frac{2}{3} \ln(\text{tol}/\epsilon)}{4t\Delta\tau + \nu} \right\rceil$$

where  $\nu = \sqrt{U\Delta\tau} + \dots$

Example:  $t = 1, \Delta\tau = 1/8, \text{tol} = 10^{-8}, \epsilon = 10^{-16}$ ,

$U$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Reduction factor $k$	24	14	12	10	9	9	8

*Invited presentation at APS annual meeting 2006*

Self-adapting direct linear solvers



## Robust preconditioned iterative linear solvers

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- Preconditioned conjugate gradient (PCG)

$$M^T M x = b,$$

- Symmetrical preconditioned linear system

$$R^{-T} (M^T M) R^{-1} \cdot R x = R^{-T} b,$$

- Earlier work on preconditioning techniques turned out to be of poor quality, and/or the growth of costs (memory and flops) significantly as  $N, U, \beta(L)$  increasing.
- Is there a linear scaling,  $\mathcal{O}(NL)$ , iterative solver?

## Robust preconditioned iterative linear solvers

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- Incomplete Cholesky (IC) factorization:

$$M^T M = R^T R + E,$$

where  $R$  is an upper triangular matrix and  $E$  is the error matrix.

- In QMC simulation, it suffers
  - high cost to apply  $R$  due to large number of fill-ins,
  - or low quality (large number of iterations),
  - *not robust, pivot break-down* due to loss of  $M^T M - E > 0$ .

## Robust preconditioned iterative linear solvers

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- Robust Incomplete Cholesky (RIC)

$$\begin{cases} M^T M = R^T R + E \\ \text{subject to } E = R^T F + F^T R + S, \\ M^T M - E > 0, \end{cases}$$

- *Robust, no pivot breakdown*
- Quality measured by the residual matrix

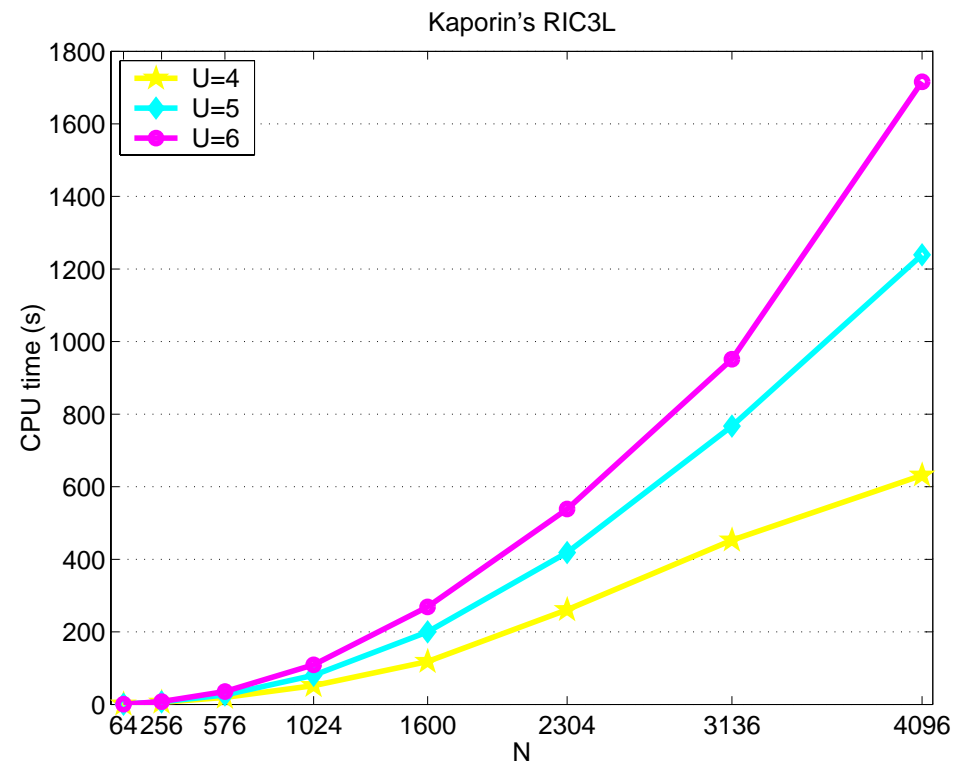
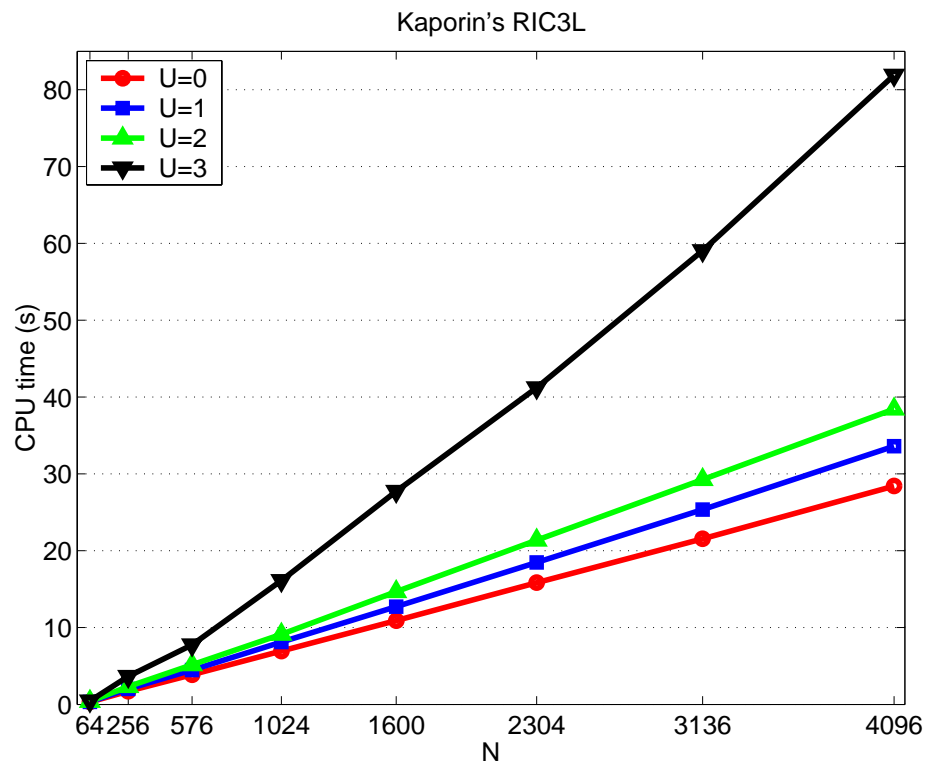
$$I - R^{-T}(M^T M)R^{-1} = \underbrace{FR^{-1} + R^{-T}F}_{\mathcal{O}(\|R^{-1}\| \sigma_1)} + \underbrace{R^{-T}SR^{-1}}_{\mathcal{O}(\|R^{-1}\|^2 \sigma_2)},$$

- Balance the cost and quality for multi-length scales using proper primary and secondary drop tolerances  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$
- *An extended Compressed Sparse Column (CSC) storage format is proposed to accommodate the data access pattern.*
- Early work by Ajiz & Jennings, Tismenetsky, Kaporin, Benzi, and Tuma.
- I. Yamazaki's PhD thesis, 2008

# Robust preconditioned iterative linear solvers

Good news:  $\mathcal{O}(NL)$  for small  $U$

Bad news:  $\mathcal{O}(N^2L)$  for large  $U$



Robust preconditioned iterative linear solvers

## Concluding remarks

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1. Synergistic effort on the development of large-scale computational techniques for multi-length scale simulations in computational material science, where *“tensors run rampant!”*
2. Emerging opportunities for matrix/tensor research on
  - Robust and efficient algorithm design and analysis for multi-length scale matrices/tensors – *fully tensor-based?*
  - Structure exploitation
  - Multi-core matrix computing
  - Software and toolbox development

[B., Chen, Scalettar and Yamazaki: Lecture notes on numerical methods for quantum Monte Carlo simulations of the Hubbard model, ~ 120 pages]

Concluding remarks