# The Tensor Renormalization Group approach of lattice models: from exact blocking formulas to accurate numerical results

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### Motivation: study of non trivial fixed points

Irrelevant directions can be slow: problem for small volumes. Blocking?

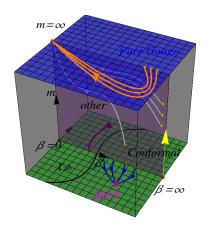


Figure: Schematic flows for SU(3) with 12 flavors (picture by Yuzhi Liu).



### Block Spining in Configuration Space is difficult!

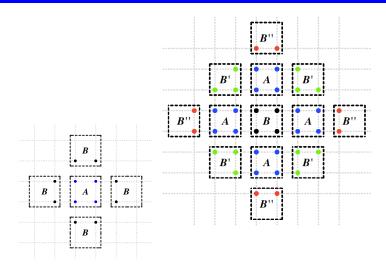


Figure: Ising 2, Step 1, Step 2, ....write the formula!



# TRG: simple and exact! (Levin, Wen, Xiang ..)

For each link, we use the  $Z_2$  character expansion:

$$\exp(\beta\sigma_1\sigma_2) = \cosh(\beta)(1 + \sqrt{\tanh(\beta)}\sigma_1\sqrt{\tanh(\beta)}\sigma_2) = \cosh(\beta)\sum_{n_{12}=0,1} (\sqrt{\tanh(\beta)}\sigma_1\sqrt{\tanh(\beta)}\sigma_2)^{n_{12}}.$$

Regroup the four terms involving a given spin  $\sigma_i$  and sum over its two values  $\pm 1$ . The results can be expressed in terms of a tensor:  $T_{xx'yy'}^{(i)}$  which can be visualized as a cross attached to the site i with the four legs covering half of the four links attached to i. The horizontal indices x, x' and vertical indices y, y' take the values 0 and 1 as the index  $n_{12}$ .

$$T_{xx'yy'}^{(i)} = f_x f_{x'} f_y f_{y'} \delta \left( \text{mod}[x + x' + y + y', 2] \right) ,$$

where  $f_0 = 1$  and  $f_1 = \sqrt{\tanh(\beta)}$ . The delta symbol is 1 if x + x' + y + y' is zero modulo 2 and zero otherwise.



#### Exact form of the partition function:

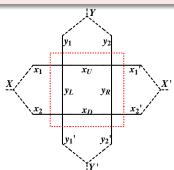
$$Z = (\cosh(\beta))^{2V} \operatorname{Tr} \prod_{i} T_{xx'yy'}^{(i)}.$$

Tr mean contractions (sums over 0 and 1) over the link indices. Reproduces the closed paths of the HT expansion.

#### Important feature of the TRG blocking:

It separates the degrees of freedom inside the block (integrated over), from those kept to communicate with the neighboring blocks.

Graphically: (isotropic blocking)





# TRG Blocking defines a new rank-4 tensor $T'_{\chi\chi'\gamma\gamma'}$

#### Exact blocking formula (isotropic):

$$T'_{X(x_1,x_2)X'(x'_1,x'_2)Y(y_1,y_2)Y'(y'_1,y'_2)} = \sum_{x_U,x_D,y_R,y_L} T_{x_1x_Uy_1y_L} T_{x_Ux'_1y_2y_R} T_{x_Dx'_2y_Ry'_2} T_{x_2x_Dy_Ly'_1},$$

where  $X(x_2, x_2)$  is a notation for the product states e. g. , X(0,0) = 1, X(1,1) = 2, X(1,0) = 3, X(0,1) = 4.

#### The partition function can again be written as

$$Z = \operatorname{Tr} \prod_{2i} T_{XX'YY'}^{\prime(2i)}$$
,

where 2*i* denotes the sites of the coarser lattice with twice the lattice spacing of the original lattice.



### O(2) model

$$Z = \int \prod_{i} rac{d heta_{i}}{2\pi} \mathrm{e}^{eta \sum\limits_{< ij>} \cos( heta_{i} - heta_{j})}.$$

$$e^{\beta \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)} = \sum_{n_{ij} = -\infty}^{+\infty} e^{in_{ij}(\theta_i - \theta_j)} I_{n_{ij}}(\beta) ,$$

where the  $I_n$  are the modified Bessel functions. In two dimensions:

$$T^{i}_{n_{ix},n_{ix'},n_{iy},n_{iy'}} = \sqrt{I_{n_{ix}}(\beta)} \sqrt{I_{n_{iy}}(\beta)} \sqrt{I_{n_{ix'}}(\beta)} \sqrt{I_{n_{ix'}}(\beta)} \delta_{n_{ix}+n_{iy},n_{ix'}+n_{iy'}}.$$

The partition function and the blocking of the tensor are similar to the Ising model, but the sums run over all the integers.

As the  $I_n(\beta)$  decay rapidly for large n and fixed  $\beta$  (namely like 1/n!) The generalization to higher dimensions is straightforward.



#### TRG formulations for other lattice models

- O(3) nonlinear sigma model
- Higher dimensions
- Principal chiral models
- Abelian gauge theories  $(Z_2, Z_N, U(1))$
- SU(2) gauge theories

(see Y. Liu et al. PRD 88 056005)

Yuya Shimizu and Yoshinobu Kuramashi, 1 flavor of Wilson fermion Schwinger model, arxiv 1403.0642



#### **Practical Implementation: Truncations**

- For numerical calculations, we restrict the indices x, y,... to a finite number N<sub>states</sub>.
- We use the smallest blocking:  $M_{XX'yy'}^{(n)} = \sum_{y''} T_{x_1x_1'yy''}^{(n-1)} T_{x_2x_2'y''y'}^{(n-1)}$  where  $X = x_1 \otimes x_2$  and  $X' = x_1' \otimes x_2'$  take now  $N_{states}^2$  values.
- We make a truncation  $N_{states}^2 \rightarrow N_{states}$  using  $T_{xx'yy'}^{(n)} = \sum_{lJ} U_{xl}^{(n)} M_{lJyy'}^{(n)} U_{x'J}^{(n)*}$

The unitary matrix *U* diagonalizes a matrix which is either

- $\mathbb{G}_{XX'} = \sum_{X''yy'} M_{XX''yy'} M_{X'X''yy'}^*$  (Xie et al. PRB86, HOTRG)
- $\mathbb{T}_{XX'} = \sum_{V} M_{XX''VY}$  (YM PRB87, Transfer Matrix)

and we only keep the  $N_{states}$  eigenvectors corresponding the the largest eigenvalues of one of these matrices.



# Overlap of the eigenvectors of $\mathbb{G}_{XX'}$ and $\mathbb{T}_{XX'}$

The overlap matrix  $O_{ij} = \sum_X U_{iX} \tilde{U}_{Xj}^*$  seems to have remarkable properties. One example with O(2) indicates that the eigenvectors are approximately the same but the eigenvalues are sometimes in a different order:

Values smaller than  $10^{-7}$  in absolute value have been replaced by 0.



# Comparing with Onsager-Kaufman (PRD 89, 016008) No sign problem!

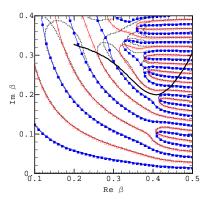


Figure: Zeros of Real ( $\blacksquare$ ) and Imaginary ( $\square$ ) part of the partition function of the Ising model at volume 8 × 8 from the HOTRG calculation with  $D_s=40$  are on the exact lines. Gray lines: MC reweighting solution. Thick Black curve: the "radius of confidence" for MC reweighting result, the error is large.

# Calculated zeros confirms KT FSS $(1 + \nu = 1.5)$ for the O(2) model (PRD 89, 016008)

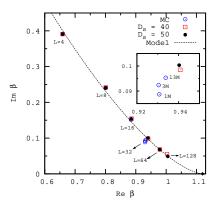


Figure: Zeros of XY model with linear size L=4,8,16,32,64,128 (from up-left to down-right) calculated from HOTRG with  $D_s=40,50$  and zeros with L=4,8,16,32 from MC. The curve is a model for trajectory of the lowest zeros. Fit:  ${\rm Im}\beta_z=1.27986\times(1.1199-{\rm Re}\beta_z)^{1.49944}$ .

# Accurate exponents from approximate tensor renormalizations (YM, PRB 87, 064422)

- For the Ising model on a square lattice, the truncation method (HOSVD) sharply singles out a surprisingly small subspace of dimension two.
- In the two states limit, the transformation can be handled analytically yielding a value 0.964 for the critical exponent  $\nu$  much closer to the exact value 1 than 1.338 obtained in Migdal-Kadanoff approximations. Alternative blocking procedures that preserve the isotropy can improve the accuracy to  $\nu=0.987$  (isotropic  $\mathbb G$ ) and 0.993 ( $\mathbb T$ ) respectively.
- More than two states: adding a few more states does not improve the accuracy (Efrati et al. RMP 86 (2014))



# The simplest example of quantum rotors ("Towards quantum simulating ...", arxiv 1403.5238)

O(2) model with one space and one Euclidean time direction. The  $N_x \times N_t$  sites of the lattice are labelled (x, t). We assume periodic boundary conditions in space and time.

$$Z = \int \prod_{(x,t)} \frac{d\theta_{(x,t)}}{2\pi} e^{-S}$$

$$S = -\beta_t \sum_{(x,t)} \cos(\theta_{(x,t+1)} - \theta_{(x,t)} + i\mu)$$

$$-\beta_s \sum_{(x,t)} \cos(\theta_{(x+1,t)} - \theta_{(x,t)}).$$

In the isotropic case, we have  $\beta_s = \beta_t = \beta$ .

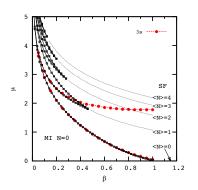
In the limit  $\dot{\beta}_t >> \beta_s$  we reach the time continuum limit.

For  $\mu \neq 0$  and real, the MC method does not work (complex action).

For large  $\mu$ , there is a correspondence with the Bose-Hubbard model (Sachdev, Fisher, ...)



### Phase diagram



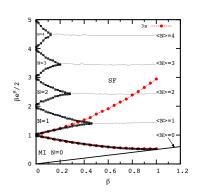


Figure: Phase diagram for 2D O(2) isotropic model in  $\beta$ - $\mu$  plane (left) and in the  $\beta$ - $\beta e^{\mu}/2$  plane (right) which resembles the anisotropic case. The lines labeled by "3s" stand for the phase separation lines of a 3-states system.



### Evolution of eigenvalue distribution with $\mu$ ( $\beta = 0.3$ )

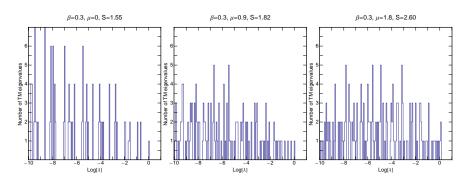


Figure: The eigenvalues of the transfer matrix are all positive, and after normalization can be interpreted as probabilities:  $\sum_i p_i = 1$ . We can then define an invariant entropy  $S = \sum_i p_i \ln(p_i)$  which increases with  $\mu$ .



# Comparing Transfer matrix based TRG with the worm algorithm for small systems

11 states for the initial tensor and then enough states in the first blocking to stabilize  $\langle N \rangle$  with 5 digits (in progress, estimated error less of order 1 in the last digit, preliminary).

size	β	$\mu$	$\langle N \rangle$ (worm)	$\langle N \rangle$ (HOTRG)	number of states
2 × 2	0.06	3.5	0.69156	0.69155	31
$2 \times 4$	0.06	3.5	0.54080	0.54079	15
$2 \times 2$	0.3	1.8	0.61204	0.61204	34
$2 \times 4$	0.3	1.8	0.47929	0.47930	18

Good progress 4x4, 4x8, 8x8, 8x16, 16x16 (with Li Ping Yang, Yuzhi Liu and Haiyuan Zou)



### **Optical Lattice Implementations?**

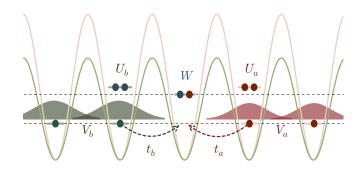
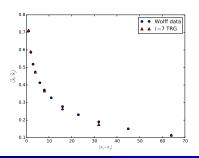


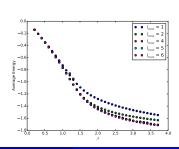
Figure: (Color Online) Two-species (green and red) bosons in optical lattice with species-dependent optical lattice (with the same green and red). The nearest neighbor interaction is coming from overlap of Wannier gaussian wave functions. We assume the difference between intra-species interactions are small  $U \gg \delta$  (see arxiv 1403.5238 for details).

# O(3) model, Judah Unmuth-Yockey (in progress)

- 2-d O(3) has similarities with 4-d Yang-Mills:
  - asymptotic freedom
  - no phase transition (no ordered phase)
  - topological solutions (instantons)
- Goal: check the asymptotic and finite size scaling of the mass gap  $m(\beta, L)$ . For large L,  $m(\beta) \propto \beta \exp(-2\pi\beta)$ . FSS: Luscher 82.

Numerical results (correlations and <E>) show apparent convergence in the number of states (with J. Unmuth-Yuckey and J. Osborn).







#### Conclusions

- TRG: Exact blocking with controllable approximations
- Deals well with sign problems, reliable at larger  ${\rm Im}\beta$  than reweighting MC
- Ising case: checked with the complex Onsager-Kaufman exact solution
- Finite Size Scaling of Fisher zeros of O(2) agrees with Kosterlitz-Thouless
- Towards agreement with the worm algorithm at 5 digit level
- Good understanding of the systematic errors
- O(3) Asymptotic scaling in progress
- Reliable transfer matrix calculations (real time evolution?)

#### Thanks!

