Basic concepts of the electronic models: E⁽²⁾ electron-electron interactions,

U and J

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The Hubbard model:

a simple model to treat electron-electron correlation in solids

Extension of a tight-binding model...

electrons can hop between lattice sites with a probability given by the hopping γ

$$\mathcal{H} = -\gamma \sum_{\langle l,m\rangle,\sigma} \left(c_{l\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{m\sigma} + \text{c.c.} \right) + U \sum_{l} n_{l\uparrow} n_{l\downarrow}$$

...plus one additional term

introduncing an energy amount U for each pair of electrons occupying the same lattice site representing Coulomb repulsion

Spin Lattice sites l.m

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 $n_{l\uparrow}$. Number of electrons with spin up on site *l*

Number of electrons with down up on site *l* $n_{l\perp}$

The Hubbard model:

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New ingredients appear with respect the standard tight-binding model

$$\mathcal{H} = -\gamma \sum_{\langle l,m\rangle,\sigma} \left(c_{l\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{m\sigma} + \text{c.c.} \right) + U \sum_{l} n_{l\uparrow} n_{l\downarrow}$$

1. The spin: the electrons with opposite spin on the same lattice site repel each other via electrostatic forces.

The self-interaction (interaction of one electron with itself, i.e., with the same spin) are not considered

2. The occupation number for each lattice site

Assuming the most simple model with one atomic orbital per site,

 $0 \le n_{l\uparrow} \le 1$ $0 \le n_{l\downarrow} \le 1$

Ground state of a monoatomic chain with one-orbital per site within the Hubbard model



The larger the hopping parameter, the broader the band width, and metallic phase is favoured

The Hubbard term penalizes the occupation of a site with electrons of different spin If an atom is already occupied with a given density of electrons of a given spin, the electrons with different spin will feel a repulsion to hop there.

The U inhibits the hopping and favours localized states

Relationship between the Hubbard model and the parameters in the SCALE-UP Hamiltonian The Hubbard parameter couples the number of electrons with different spin in a given lattice site In the paper, this is called the antiparallel U parameter [Eq. (27)] But these are not the parameters that finally enter in the SCALE-UP Hamiltonian

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The total number of electrons in a given site (sum of the occupation for both spin), U
The difference between electrons with spin up and electrons with spin down I

$$U_{aba'b'}^{\text{anti}} = \int d^3r \int d^3r' \chi_a(\vec{r}) \chi_b(\vec{r}) \chi_{a'}(r) \chi_{b'}(r) g(\vec{r}, r, \uparrow, \downarrow)$$
$$= \int d^3r \int d^3r' \chi_a(\vec{r}) \chi_b(\vec{r}) \chi_{a'}(r) \chi_{b'}(r) g(\vec{r}, r, \downarrow, \uparrow)$$

In practice,

 $U^{\text{anti}} = U + I$ Eq. (34) of the manuscript

Please, note that the U used in the manuscript is not the U of our Hubbard model

Relationship between the Hubbard model and the parameters in the SCALE-UP Hamiltonian

In its final form, it is written in terms of parameters that couple:

- The total number of electrons in a given site (sum of the occupation of both spin), U

$$U\left(n_{l\uparrow}+n_{l\downarrow}
ight)\left(n_{l\uparrow}+n_{l\downarrow}
ight)=U\left(n_{l\uparrow}^2+n_{l\downarrow}^2+2n_{l\uparrow}n_{l\downarrow}
ight)$$

- The difference between electrons with spin up and electrons with spin down, I

$$I\left(n_{l\uparrow}-n_{l\downarrow}
ight)\left(n_{l\uparrow}-n_{l\downarrow}
ight)=I\left(n_{l\uparrow}^2+n_{l\downarrow}^2-2n_{l\uparrow}n_{l\downarrow}
ight)$$

To simulate the Hubbard model we need to impose that U=I

Then, according to Eq. (39) of the paper, the two body energy term becomes

 $E^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left[U \left(n_{l\uparrow} + n_{l\downarrow} \right) \left(n_{l\uparrow} + n_{l\downarrow} \right) - U \left(n_{l\uparrow} - n_{l\downarrow} \right) \left(n_{l\uparrow} - n_{l\downarrow} \right) \right] = 2U n_{l\uparrow} n_{l\downarrow}$

i.e. the term required by the Hubbard model with an $U^{\text{model}} = 2U^{\text{calculation}}$

Relationship between the Hubbard model and the parameters in the SCALE-UP Hamiltonian

In summary: to simulate the Hubbard model with SCALE-UP:

 $U_{aba'b'} = I_{aba'b'}$

Even more, since in the Hubbard model we include only the on-site interactions, the previous parameters must be totally diagonal

$$U_{aba'b'} = U\delta_{ab}\delta_{aa'}\delta_{ab'} = U_{aaaa}$$



Linear chain of *s*-orbitals: The input file of SCALE-UP

%block Supercell
 1 1 2
%endblock Supercell

Magnetic

MaximumSCFiter	1000
SCFthreshold	0.0000001
SCFmixing	0.10
StartPulay	10000
ForceSCF	

To account for all possible magnetic solutions (ferro, antiferro and diamagnetic), we need at least a supercell made up from the repetion of two unit cells

Very stringent conditions required in the convergence to avoid ending in a local metastable phase. For the time being, we deactivate the Pulay mixing





 $U_{aba'b'} = I_{aba'b'}$

And the Hubbard and Stoner parameters are equal, as required to simulate our Hubbard model

Linear chain of *s*-orbitals: How to introduce the occupation to run SCALE-UP

name="cond_s"
 ref_occ_up="0.5000"
 ref_occ_dn="0.5000"
 ini_occ_up="1.0000"
 ini_occ_dn="0.0000">
 </orbital>

These numbers refer to the occupation matrix $d_{ab}^{(0)}$ that defines the reference electron density [Eq. (18) of the manuscript]

In these case, a diamagnetic configuration with the same number of electrons up and down per site



All the energies will be referred to the energy of this configuration, $E^{(0)}$ And the numbers for the density matrix written in files like _DENMATOLD refer to deformation occupation matrices, i.e. Changes with respect this reference occupation matrix, Eq. (19) in the paper.



ref_occ_dn="0.5000"
ini_occ_up="1.0000"
ini_occ_dn="0.0000">
</orbital>

hese numbers refer to the occupation matrix that defines the <mark>initial density</mark> [Eq. (16) of the manuscript]

In these case, a completely polarized ferromagnetic configuration where only the up component of the spin is polarized

Obviously, in this example we are running a half-filled system, with one electron per atom

Linear chain of *s*-orbitals: How to run SCALE-UP

\$ <your_path_to_scale_up_dir>/bin/scaleup.x < 1d_hubbard.fdf > 1d_hubbard.out

Linear chain of *s*-orbitals: How to plot the band structure with SCALE-UP

\$ python <your_path_to_scale_up_dir>/scripts/scaleup_utils.py -bands -file _1d_hubbard_FINAL.bands



Linear chain of *s*-orbitals: How to plot the density of states with SCALE-UP

\$ python <your_path_to_scale_up_dir>/scripts/scaleup_utils.py -dos -file _1d_hubbard_FINAL.ener



Increasing the value of *U*, we observe a phase transition to an antiferromagnetic state

 $U = I = 3.5 \mathrm{eV}$

$\gamma = 2.0 \mathrm{eV}$

Band structure

Density of states



Although the initial state was ferromagnetic, the code finds that the ground state is antiferromagnetic

To arrive to this conclusion, tight conditions on the SCF must be impossed

Phase diagram for the monoatomic chain with only one orbital per site



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Interestingly, this metallic phase is never obtained as the ground state of our simulations.

The ferromagnetic phase is stabilized only with large values of U/γ , with one spin band totally filled and the other totally empty

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Phase transition to a ferromagnetic metallic ground state in 3D

- \$ <your_path_to_scale_up_dir>/bin/scaleup.x < < 3d_hubbard.fm.fdf > 3d_hubbard.fm.out
- \$ python <your_path_to_scale_up_dir>/scripts/scaleup_utils.py -bands -file _3d_hubbard_fm_FINAL.bands
- \$ python <your_path_to_scale_up_dir>/scripts/scaleup_utils.py -dos -file _3d_hubbard_fm_FINAL.ener -width 0.035



Marta Saiz de la Maza Cantero, trabajo fin de grado, UC, 2017 Question: what does happen in 2D for half filling, where there is a logarithmic divergence at the center of the band width

$$h_{ab}^{s} = \gamma_{ab} + \sum_{a'b'} \left[\left(D_{a'b'}^{s} + D_{a'b'}^{-s} \right) U_{aba'b'} - \left(D_{a'b'}^{s} - D_{a'b'}^{-s} \right) I_{aba'b'} \right].$$

Eq. (71) of the paper

If we remember than in our model

 $U_{aba'b'} = U\delta_{ab}\delta_{aa'}\delta_{ab'} = U_{aaaa}$

 $U_{aba'b'} = I_{aba'b'}$

Then

$$h_{aa}^s = \gamma_{aa} + 2D_{aa}^{-s}U$$

 D_{aa}^{-s} is the diagonal component of the deformation density matrix: how many electrons are there at the Wannier function χ_a in excess or defect with respect the reference configuration



Reference configuration: Diamagnetic Same population for spin up and spin down on every atom





 D_{aa}^{\uparrow}

2

 n_0^{atom}



Initial configuration: Ferromagnetic Only spin up electrons. Spin down channel is empty

Diagonal terms of the deformation charge densities



 $D_{aa}^{\uparrow} =$

 $\mathbf{2}$

 n_0^{atom}



Initial configuration: Ferromagnetic Only spin up electrons. Spin down channel is empty

$$h_{aa}^{\uparrow} = \gamma_{aa} + 2D_{aa}^{\downarrow}U = \gamma_{aa} - 2\left(\frac{n_0^{\text{atom}}}{2}\right)U$$

Change in the on-site term of the real space Hamiltonian

$$h_{aa}^{\downarrow} = \gamma_{aa} + 2D_{aa}^{\uparrow}U = \gamma_{aa} + 2\left(\frac{n_0^{\text{atom}}}{2}\right)U$$



$$h_{aa}^{\uparrow} = \gamma_{aa} + 2D_{aa}^{\downarrow}U = \gamma_{aa} - 2\left(\frac{n_0^{\text{atom}}}{2}\right)U$$

$$h_{aa}^{\downarrow} = \gamma_{aa} + 2D_{aa}^{\uparrow}U = \gamma_{aa} + 2\left(rac{n_0^{\mathrm{atom}}}{2}
ight)U$$



