DMRG for Bilayer Graphene



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Outline

- 1. One Way to Simulate tBLG
- 2. Matrix Product Opreators & Compression
- 3. tBLG Physics from DMRG







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Magic Angle Twisted Bilayer Graphene

- 1. Two layers of graphene, twisted at $\sim 1.05^\circ\text{,}$ gives narrow bands
- 2. Bandwidth \ll Coulomb scale < Band gap
- 3. Many intriguing phases result!





Bistritzer & MacDonald 2011; Cao $et\ al$ 2018; and many, many others! Fig: Quanta Magazine

Phases of tBLG

 tBLG hosts many intriguing phases

- Correlated insulators
- quantum anomalous Hall (Chern) insulators
- orbital magnets & various ferromagnetic states
- semimetallic phases
- superconductivity

Roughly 1 zillion theory papers with various mechanisms.



Goal: compute the ground state with unbiased, non-perturbative numerics.

One Way to Simulate tBLG or Computing the Right Model

Denity Matrix Renormalization Group (DMRG)

- Non-perturbative method to find ground states of 1D quantum systems
- Essentially exact for area law (gapped) systems and usually accurate for gapless ones.
- Can handle 2d systems in an infinite cylinder geometry:
 - ∞ × L_y
 L_y ~ 6 − 12.
- Requires Hamiltonians written as Matrix Product Operators
- States are encoded as matrix product states
- The complexity of matrix product states (operators) is parameterized by the bond dimension \(\chi(D)\).



White (1992); Pirvu, Murg, Cirac, Verstraete (2010); etc. Figure from Motruk, Zaletel, Mong, Pollmann (2015)

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The "IBM" Model

Interacting Bistritzer-MacDonald (IBM) model:

- **•** start with the BM model $h(\mathbf{k})$
- add gate-screened Coulomb interactions

$$\begin{split} \widehat{H} &:= \widehat{H}_{\mathsf{BM}} + \widehat{H}_{\mathsf{Coulomb}} \\ &= \int_{\mathsf{mBZ}} [d\boldsymbol{k}] \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\dagger} h(\boldsymbol{k}) \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}} + \int d[\boldsymbol{q}] V_{-\boldsymbol{q}} : \widehat{\rho}(\boldsymbol{k} + \boldsymbol{q}) \widehat{\rho}(\boldsymbol{k}) : \\ \mathcal{V}_{\boldsymbol{q}} &= e^{2} \frac{\tanh(|\boldsymbol{q}| d)}{2\epsilon_{r} \epsilon_{0} |\boldsymbol{q}|}. \end{split}$$

d pprox 10 nm is gate distance, $\epsilon_R pprox$ 12 is permitivity

Can we compute the ground state?

Bultinck, Khalaf, Liu, Chatterjee, Vishwanath, Zaletel (2019); Kang, Vafek (2020); etc.



K'

Projection to Narrow Bands

- ▶ 10,000 atoms/moiré unit cell far too many
- Project to flat bands:

$$H_{\rm IBM} = \mathcal{P}^{\dagger}[H_{\rm BM} + H_{\rm Coulomb}]\mathcal{P}$$

- Kinetic scale (bandwidth of flat bands): $t \approx 1 \, {
 m meV}$
- Interaction scale (Coulomb): $V \approx 10 \,\mathrm{meV}$
- Band gap: $\Delta E \approx 25 \,\mathrm{meV}$
- $t \ll V < \Delta E \implies$ Projection is perturbatively valid.
- Now 8 fermions/moiré unit cell
 - 2 bands
 - \blacktriangleright K and K' valleys
 - spin ↑,↓





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Coulomb

interactions

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0

 k_u/G_u

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BM Model

Project to flat bands

Bands labelled by Chern number $C = \int dk_y \frac{dP_x}{dk_y} = \pm 1$.

Hybrid Cylinder Model





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Infinite 2D DMRG

 We have now mapped the BLG Hamiltonian to an infinite cylinder. Schematically,

$$H_{cyl} = \mathrm{FT}_{x} \left[\mathcal{P}^{\dagger} [H_{\mathsf{BM}} + H_{\mathsf{Coulomb}}] \mathcal{P} \right]$$

- Taking finite k_y cuts gives a quasi-1D model
- (Infinite) Density Matrix Renormalization Group
 - For any* quasi-1D model, can find $|\Psi_0\rangle$ and E_0 .
 - Several good libraries, such as TenPy
- Finite DMRG for BLG see Kang and Vafek
- In principle we can find the ground state
- DMRG scales as O(D²) where D is the Hamiltonian's "bond dimension"

Kang, Vafek (arXiv: 2002.10360).



Long Range



1D Range $R = \underbrace{(2 \times 2 \times 2)}_{\text{orbitals}} \times \underbrace{L_y}_{\text{cuts}} \times \underbrace{\Delta x}_{\text{range}} \quad D \approx 4R^2; \sim 230,000; \quad \text{DMRG} \sim O(D^2)$





2. Matrix Product Operators and Compression

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Rewrite the graph as an operator-valued matrix.

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Finite MPOs Directly analagous to MPS compression; see [1] & ITensor library [2] Infinite MPOs More involved due to *locality*; see [3].

[1] Chan, Keselman, Nakatani, Li, White (2016); [2] Fishman, White, Stoudenmire (2020); [3] DEP, Cao, Zaletel (2020).

Compression Algorithm

Idea: use a Schmidt decomposition that respects *locality*.

Any local operator can be written as

$$\widehat{H} = \widehat{H}_L \widehat{I}_R + \widehat{I}_L \widehat{H}_R + \sum_{a=1} s_a \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_L^a \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_R^a.$$

Compress by truncating the sum:

$$\widehat{H}' = \widehat{H}_L \widehat{I}_R + \widehat{I}_L \widehat{H}_R + \sum_{a=1}^D s_a \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_L^a \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_R^a$$

Theorem: For local $\widehat{H} \xrightarrow{compress} \widehat{H}'$,

$$\left|E_{\mathsf{GS}} - E'_{\mathsf{GS}}\right| < C\epsilon; \quad \epsilon^2 := \sum_{a=D+1} s_a^2.$$

Algorithm 1 iMPO Compression

Require: \widehat{W} is a first-order infinite MPO. **1**: procedure ICOMPRESS(\widehat{W}, η) \triangleright Cutoff *n* $\widehat{W}_{R} \leftarrow \text{RightCan}[\widehat{W}]$ 3. $\widehat{W}_{R} \leftarrow R\widehat{W}_{R}R^{-1}$ so that $[\widehat{W}_{R}]_{1,2} = 0$ 4: $\widehat{W}_{I}, C \leftarrow \text{LeftCan}[\widehat{W}_{R}]$ 5: $(U, S, V^{\dagger}) \leftarrow \text{SVD}[C]$ 6: $\widehat{Q}, \widehat{P} \leftarrow U^{\dagger} \widehat{W}_{I} U, V^{\dagger} \widehat{W}_{R} V$ 7: $\begin{array}{l} \chi' \leftarrow \max\{a \in [1, \chi] : s_{a} > \eta\} \\ \widehat{W}_{I}'', S, \widehat{W}_{R}'' \leftarrow \mathbb{P}^{\dagger} \widehat{W}_{I}' \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{P}^{\dagger} S \mathbb{P}, \mathbb{P}^{\dagger} \widehat{W}_{R}' \mathbb{P} \end{array}$ ▷ Defines P 8: 9: return $\widehat{W}_{i}^{\prime\prime}$ \triangleright One could also return $\widehat{W}_{P}^{\prime\prime}$.

Physically, the singular values s_a fall off (exponentially) quickly, so we can chop off the small ones.

We can compute low bond dimension approximations \widehat{W}' to any local operator.

MPO Compression for tBLG





3. tBLG Physics from DMRG
Wannier Basis and Symmetry Actions

Restrict to the spinless, 1-valley case at half-filling. We use $N_{\gamma} = 6$ momentum cuts at

$$k_y/G_y=rac{n+\Phi_y/(2\pi)}{N_y}\pmod{1}$$

This gives a cylinder radius of $12 = N_y \times 2$.

Symmetries:

$$T_{L_1} |w(\pm, n, k_y)\rangle = |w(\pm, n+1, k_y)\rangle$$

$$T_{L_2} |w(\pm, n, k_y)\rangle = e^{i2\pi k_y} |w(\pm, n, k_y)\rangle$$

$$C_2 \mathcal{T} |w(\pm, n, k_y)\rangle = |w(\mp, -n, k_y)\rangle$$

$$C_{2x} |w(\pm, n, k_y)\rangle = \mp i e^{-i2\pi k_y n} |w(\mp, n, -k_y)\rangle$$

 C_3 is slightly broken by the rectangular BZ.



1-Particle Observables
Let

$$P(\mathbf{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} \langle w_{+,\mathbf{k}}^{\dagger} w_{+,\mathbf{k}} \rangle & \langle w_{-,\mathbf{k}}^{\dagger} w_{+,\mathbf{k}} \rangle \\ \langle w_{+,\mathbf{k}}^{\dagger} w_{-,\mathbf{k}} \rangle & \langle w_{-,\mathbf{k}}^{\dagger} w_{-,\mathbf{k}} \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \gamma^{0}(\mathbf{k})\sigma^{0} + \gamma^{x}(\mathbf{k})\sigma^{x} + \gamma^{y}(\mathbf{k})\sigma^{y} + \gamma^{z}(\mathbf{k})\sigma^{z}$$
If one electron per \mathbf{k} , then $|\gamma^{x}|^{2} + |\gamma^{y}|^{2} + |\gamma^{z}|^{2} = 1$,
which gives a unit sphere:

$$P(\mathbf{k}) \iff (\theta(\mathbf{k}), \varphi(\mathbf{k})) \quad \text{(spherical coords.)}$$

$$C_{2}\mathcal{T} \text{ Order parameter}$$

$$\gamma^{x}(\mathbf{k})$$

$$\varphi^{x}(\mathbf{k})$$

$$\mathcal{C}_2\mathcal{T} ext{ sym } \implies \gamma^z(m{k}) = 0 \implies heta(m{k}) = rac{\pi}{2}$$

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 - $C_2 T$ preserved



The Remarkable Accuracy of Hartree-Fock



The High w_0/w_1 Phase is Nematic

 $\textit{C}_{2}\mathcal{T}$ preseved, so

$$egin{array}{ll} heta(m{k}) &= rac{\pi}{2} \ arphi(m{C}_2 \mathcal{T}m{k}) &= -arphi(m{k}) + \pi \end{array}$$

At K^+ , C_3 acts as

$$\varphi(C_3K^+) = \varphi(K^+) + \pi/3,$$

but

$$\varphi(C_3K^+)=\varphi(K^+)\approx \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Therefore C_3 is broken; we pick out a preferred orientation.

The high w_0/w_1 phase is nematic.



NEMATIC (semimetal)

1/2

1/31/6

-1/6-1/3-1/2

 k_y/G_y

Wilson loops are quantized

$$W(C) = \int_C \mathcal{A} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial C} \nabla \varphi \cdot d\mathbf{k} = n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- We find two Dirac nodes with +π, so this phase is a nematic semimetal.
- The Dirac nodes appear in both HF and DMRG.
 \Delta E_{HF} [meV]

 k_x/G_x

 $k_{\eta})/L_{\eta}$

φ βDMRG(Φ)

-1/4



Nematic Semimetal_y \neq BM Ground State

- The nematic semimetal is NOT close to the BM ground state
- Both do have Dirac nodes
- However, nodes positioned near Γ (BM) vs K[±] (Nematic SM)
- The trace distance between the states is large

Even though the ground state Ψ_{DMRG} is close to a Slater-Determinant Ψ_{HF} , it does not seem to be (perturbatively) close to the non-interacting ground state Ψ_{BM} .







Extra Slide: Ground State Competition

Several states only slightly above the ground state. Partially explained by Eslam's Ginsberg-Landau-like functional

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{HF}}[\varphi_{\mathsf{k}}] = \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{HF}}^{\mathrm{QAH}} + rac{1}{2}\int g_{\mathsf{k}} (
abla_{\mathsf{k}} \varphi_{\mathsf{k}} - 2\boldsymbol{a}_{\boldsymbol{k}})^2 d^2 \boldsymbol{k} + \cdots$$

The true physical ground state may be controlled by "second order effects":

- twist angle disorder
- strain
- lattice relaxation

State ($w_0/w_1 = 0.85$)	Energy [meV]
DMRG SM $_{y}$	-28.24
QAH Ansatz	-28.04
SM_y Ansatz	-27.92
$\mathcal{C}_2\mathcal{T}$ - Stripe Ansatz	-28.08
Dirac (BM GS)	-20.62



Extra Slide: IBM Model

$$H_{\text{IBM}} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{k} \in \text{mBZ}} \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\dagger} h(\boldsymbol{k}) \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}} \\ + \sum_{\boldsymbol{q}} V(\boldsymbol{q}) : \rho_{\boldsymbol{q}}^{\dagger} \rho_{-\boldsymbol{q}} : \\ \rho_{\boldsymbol{q}} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{k} \in \text{mBZ}} \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\dagger} \Lambda_{\boldsymbol{q}}(\boldsymbol{k}) \boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{k}} \\ [\Lambda_{\boldsymbol{q}}(\boldsymbol{k})]_{\boldsymbol{a}\boldsymbol{b}} = \langle \psi_{\boldsymbol{a},\boldsymbol{k}} | \boldsymbol{e}^{-i\boldsymbol{q}\cdot\boldsymbol{r}} | \psi_{\boldsymbol{b},\boldsymbol{k}+\boldsymbol{q}} \rangle \\ V_{\boldsymbol{q}} = \boldsymbol{e}^{2} \frac{\tanh(|\boldsymbol{q}| d)}{2\epsilon_{r}\epsilon_{0} |\boldsymbol{q}|}$$

Parameter	Value(s)
θ_{BM}	$\sim 1.05^{\circ}$
w ₁	$\sim 109{ m meV}$
w_0/w_1	[0, 1]
Gate distance	10 nm
Relative permitivity	12
Ny	6
Φ_y	$\pi,\pi/10$
χ	≤ 1024
Δx	10
$\epsilon_{ m MPO}$	$< 10^{-2} \mathrm{~meV}$
Kinetic energy scale (t)	$< 1{ m meV}$
Interaction energy scale (V)	$< 10{ m meV}$

Extra Slide: MPO Compression — Technical Comments

- MPO compression is analogous to the MPS case, but distinct.
- We must preserve locality, unlike MPS
- Computing canonical forms is tricky.
- Cannot use the standard transfer matrix technique from MPS's because locality implies that there is no dominant eigenvalue, but instead a Jordan block structure.
- Canonicalization and compression are both O(χ³) where χ is the original bond dimension.
- Compression preserves ground state physics.

Proposition: If \hat{H} has ground state energy E_0 and \hat{H}' has ground state E'_0 , then

$$\left|\left|E_0-E_0'\right|\right| < C\epsilon; \quad \epsilon^2 = \sum_{a=\chi+1}^{\infty} s_a^2$$

under a single-bond truncation for some constant C.

One can show similar bounds for the ground state wavefunction, and expectation values of observables.

Extra Slide: MPO Construction \mathbb{R}^3 nodes \mathbb{R}^2 nodes R nodes $1, r_3$ $1, r_2, r_3$ î î î 0 $\widehat{H}_{\mathsf{simple}} = \sum_{i < j < k < \ell} V_{ijk\ell} c_i^{\dagger} c_j^{\dagger} c_k c_\ell$ $(2, r_3)$, $2, r_2, r_3$ î î Vrirarac î $(3, r_3)$ $3, r_2, r_3$ 3 r_1, r_2, r_3 r_2, r_3 $\widehat{\mathbb{S}} =$ R, r_2, r_3 R, r_3 Rî O $V_{r_1r_2r_3}\hat{c}^{\dagger}$ \hat{c}^{\dagger} $\hat{c}\hat{c}[r_2;r_3]$ $\widehat{\mathbb{S}}_i(\widehat{O}[r_i...]) = (\widehat{O}[r_i - 1...])$ $V_{r_1r_2r_3}\hat{c}^{\dagger}$ ĉt ĉ $\hat{c}^{\dagger}[r_1$



Local Operators

Start with a local operator. e.g.

$$\widehat{H} = \sum_{i} J \widehat{X}_{i} \widehat{X}_{i} + K \widehat{X}_{i} \widehat{Z}_{i+1} \widehat{X}_{i+2} + h \widehat{Z}_{i}.$$

It is a sum of Pauli strings: $\cdots \widehat{1}_{-2} \widehat{1}_{-1} \widehat{X}_0 \widehat{X}_1 \widehat{1}_2 \widehat{1}_3 \cdots$. Making a cut gives three categories:

- 1. Left of the cut
- 2. Straddling the cut
- 3. Right of the cut

We can decompose the Hamiltonian as

$$\widehat{H} = \widehat{H}_L \widehat{I}_R + \widehat{I}_L \widehat{H}_R + \sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \widehat{h}_L^i \widehat{h}_R^j.$$



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The size of the matrix is the bond dimension.



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		0	0	0	ΚÂ
	(-				$\widehat{1}$

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}_L = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{0} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

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$$\boldsymbol{v}_{L}\widehat{W}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{L} \\ \widehat{X}_{1} \\ \widehat{X}_{1} \\ 0 \\ h\widehat{Z}_{1} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

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is the "optimal" rank- χ approximation that preserves locality.

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Algorithm 5 iMPO Compression

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Algorithm 6 iMPO Compression

Physically, the singular values s_a fall off (exponentially) quickly, so we can chop off the small ones.

Upshot: practical algorithm to greatly reduce bond dimension of an MPO.