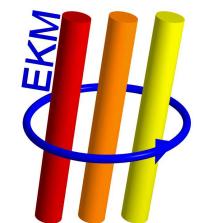
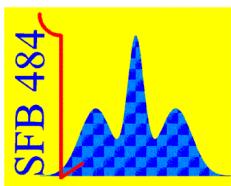


How to quantify correlation in correlated electron system

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Aim of this talk

CORRELATION

- What is it?
- How to quantify it?

Correlation

- Correlation [lat.]: con+relatio (“with relation”)
- Mathematics, Statistics, Natural Science:

$$\langle xy \rangle \neq \langle x \rangle \langle y \rangle$$

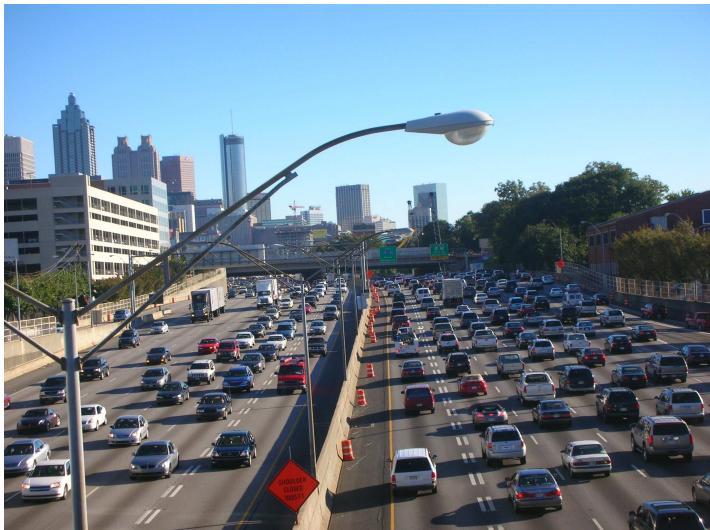
The term **correlation** stems from mathematical statistics and means that two distribution functions, $f(x)$ and $g(y)$, **are not independent** of each other.

- In many body physics: **correlations** are effects beyond factorizing approximations

$$\langle \rho(r, t) \rho(r', t') \rangle \approx \langle \rho(r, t) \rangle \langle \rho(r', t') \rangle,$$

as in Weiss or Hartree-Fock mean-field theories

Spatial and temporal correlations everywhere



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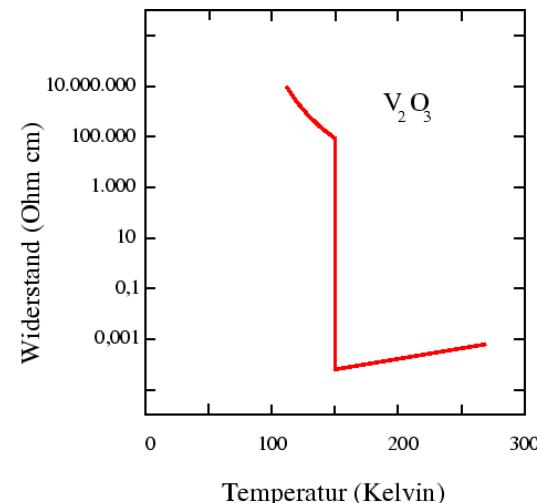


Abb. 3: Beispiel eines Metall-Isolator-Übergangs: Bei Abkühlung unter eine Temperatur von ca. 150 Kelvin erhöht sich der elektrische Widerstand von metallischem Vanadiumoxid (V_2O_3) schlagartig um das Einhundertmillionenfache (Faktor 10^8) – das System wird zum Isolator.

Spatial and temporal correlations neglected

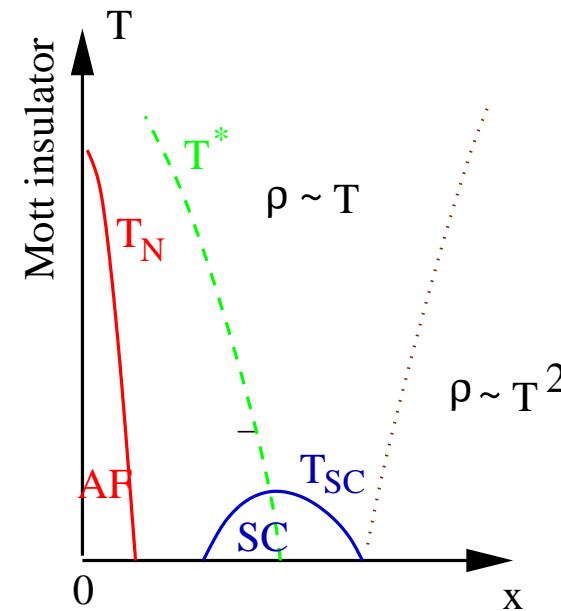
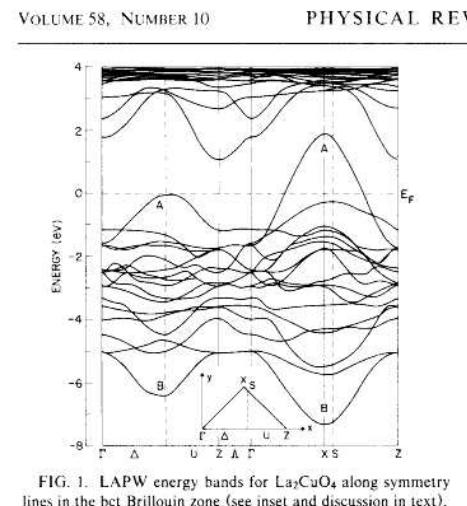
time/space average insufficient

$$\langle \rho(r, t) \rho(r', t') \rangle \approx \langle \rho(r, t) \rangle \langle \rho(r', t') \rangle = \text{disaster!}$$



Spatial and temporal correlations neglected

Local density approximation (LDA) disaster in HTC



LaCuO_4 Mott (correlated) insulator predicted to be a metal

Partially cured by (AF) long-range order ... but correlations are still missed

Correlated electrons

Periodic Table of Elements																					
IA		IIA																			
1	H	3	Be																		
2	Li	4	Mg	11	12	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	5	6	7	8	9	10
3	Na	12	Mg	11	12	Sc	Ti	Y	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
4	K	19	Ca	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
5	Rb	37	Sr	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
6	Cs	55	Ba	56	57	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
7	Fr	87	Ra	88	89	+Ac	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	110							

* Lanthanide Series	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
+ Actinide Series	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

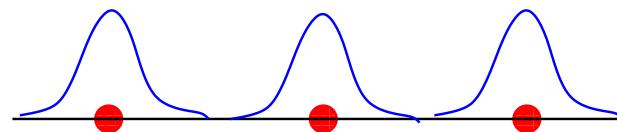
Legend - click to find out more...															
H - gas				Li - solid				Br - liquid				Tc - synthetic			
Non-Metals	Transition Metals	Rare Earth Metals	Halogens												
Alkali Metals	Alkali Earth Metals	Other Metals	Inert Elements												

Narrow d,f-orbitals/bands → strong electronic correlations

Electronic bands in solids

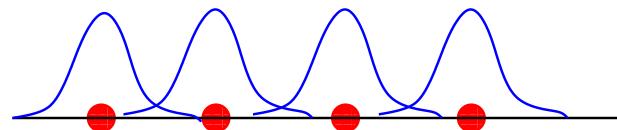
Wave function overlap $\sim t_{ij} = \langle i | \hat{T} | j \rangle \rightarrow |E_{\mathbf{k}}| \sim \text{bandwidth } W$

Band insulators, e.g. NaCl



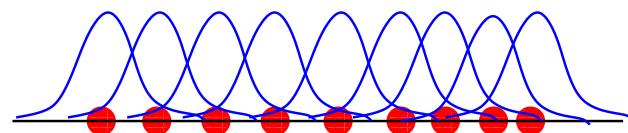
Atomic levels, **localized electrons** $|\mathbf{R}_i\sigma\rangle$

Correlated metals, e.g. Ni, V₂O₃, Ce



Narrow bands, $|\mathbf{R}_i\sigma\rangle \leftrightarrow |\mathbf{k}\sigma\rangle$

Simple metals, e.g. Na, Al



Broad bands, **extended Bloch waves** $|\mathbf{k}\sigma\rangle$

Electronic bands in solids

Mean time τ spent by the electron on an atom in a solid depends on the band width W

$$\text{group velocity } v_{\mathbf{k}} \approx \frac{\text{lattice spacing}}{\text{mean time}} = \frac{a}{\tau}$$

$$\text{Heisenberg principle } W\tau \sim \hbar$$

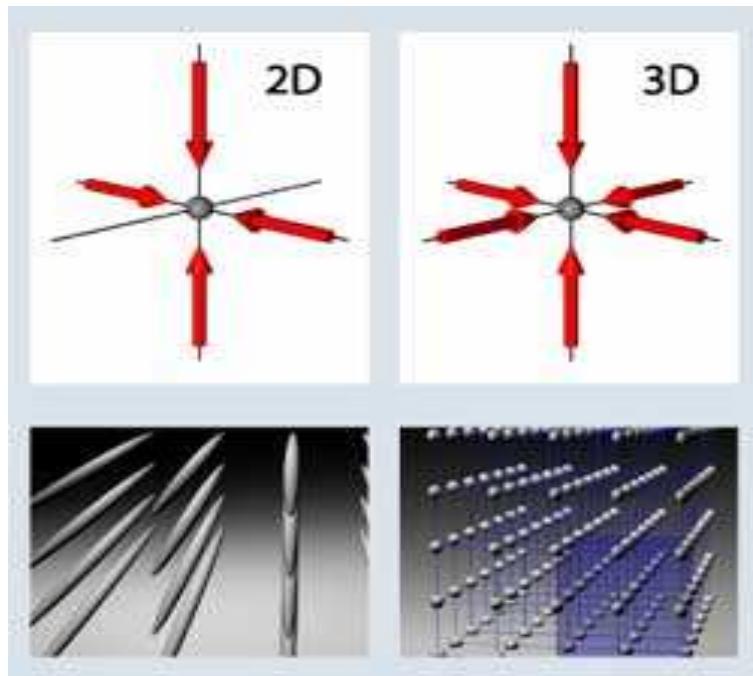
$$\frac{a}{\tau} \sim \frac{aW}{\hbar} \implies \tau \sim \frac{\hbar}{W}$$

Small W means longer interaction with another electron on the same atom
Strong electronic correlations

Optical lattices filled with bosons or fermions

Greiner et al. 02, and other works

atomic trap and standing waves of light create optical lattices $a \sim 400 - 500\text{nm}$

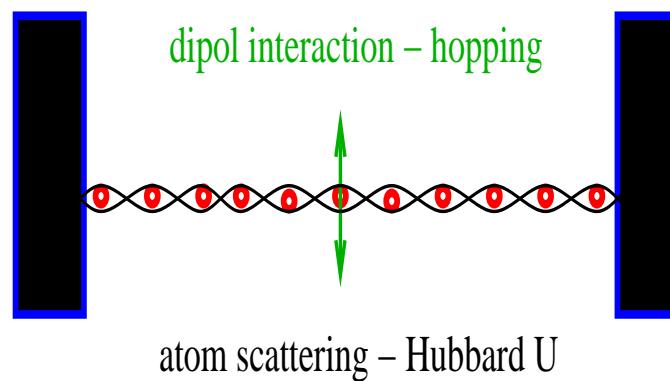


alkali atoms with ns^1 electronic state $J = S = 1/2$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{J} + \mathbf{I}$$

^{87}Rb , ^{23}Na , ^7Li - $I = 3/2$: effective **bosons**

^6Li - $I = 1$, ^{40}K - $I = 4$: effective **fermions**



$$E_{int}^{solid} \sim 1 - 4\text{eV} \sim 10^4 K, \quad E_{kin}^{solid} \sim 1 - 10\text{eV} \sim 10^5 K$$

$$E_{kin}^{optical} \sim E_{int}^{optical} \sim 10\text{kHz} \sim 10^{-6} K$$

Quantifying correlations

**How many correlation is there
in correlated electron systems?**

We need information theory tools to address this issue.

Classical vs. Quantum Information Theory

Probability distribution vs. Density operator

$$p_k \longleftrightarrow \hat{\rho} = \sum_k p_k |k\rangle\langle k|$$

Shannon entropy vs. von Neumann entropy

$$I = -\langle \log_2 p_k \rangle = -\sum_k p_k \log_2 p_k \longleftrightarrow S = -\langle \ln \hat{\rho} \rangle = -Tr[\hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}]$$

Two correlated (sub)systems have relative entropy

$$I = I_1 + I_2 - \Delta I \longleftrightarrow S = S_1 + S_2 - E$$

$$\Delta I(p_{kl}||p_k p_l) = -\sum_{kl} p_{kl} [\log_2 \frac{p_{kl}}{p_k p_l}] \longleftrightarrow E(\hat{\rho}||\hat{\rho}_1 \otimes \hat{\rho}_2) = -Tr[\hat{\rho}(\ln \hat{\rho} - \ln \hat{\rho}_1 \otimes \hat{\rho}_2)]$$

Relative entropy vanishes in the absence of correlations (product states)

Asymptotic distinguishability

Quantum Sanov theorem:

Probability P_n that a state $\hat{\sigma}$ is not distinguishable from a state $\hat{\rho}$ in n measurements on $\hat{\sigma}$, when $n \gg 1$, is

$$P_n \approx e^{-nE(\hat{\rho}||\hat{\sigma})}.$$

Relative entropy $E(\hat{\rho}||\hat{\sigma})$ as a '**distance**' between quantum states.

We calculate

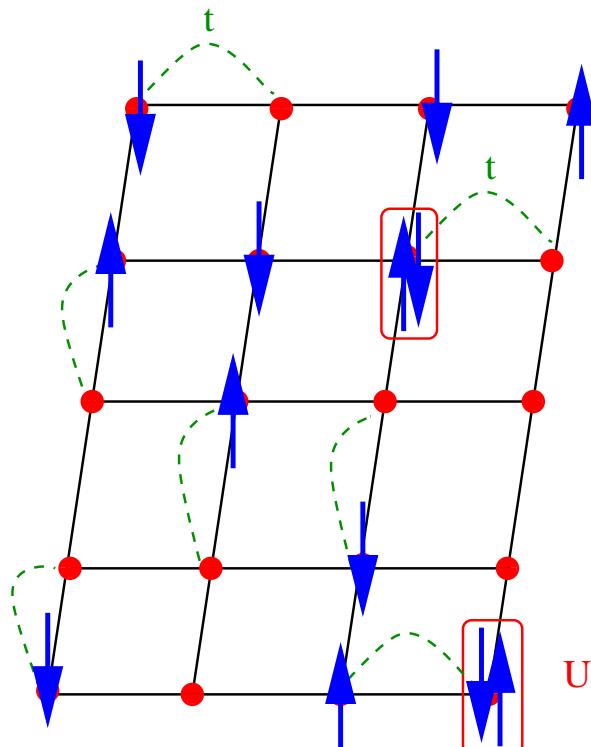
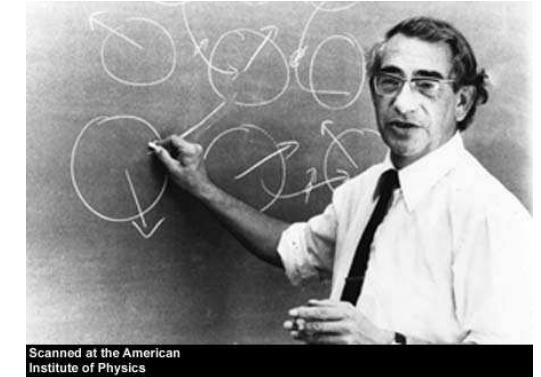
- von Neumann entropies and
- relative entropies
 - for and between different correlated and uncorrelated (product) states of the Hubbard model.

Correlated fermions on crystal and optical lattices

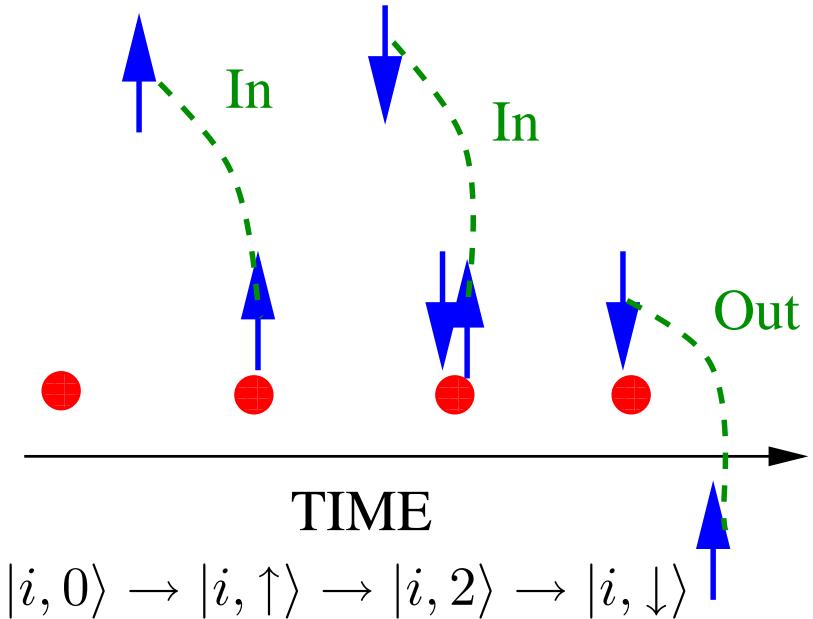
$$H = - \sum_{ij\sigma} \textcolor{green}{t}_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + \textcolor{red}{U} \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

fermionic Hubbard model

P.W. Anderson, J. Hubbard, M. Gutzwiller, J. Kanamori, 1960-63



Local Hubbard physics



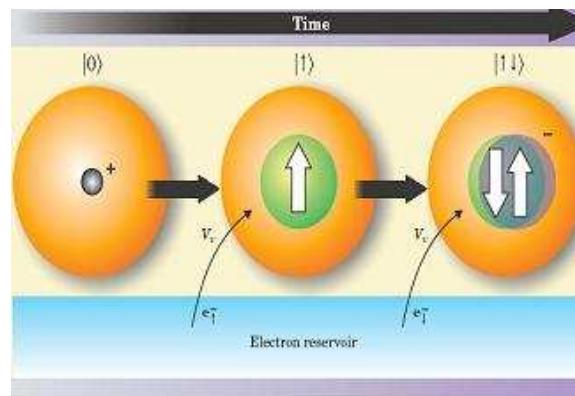
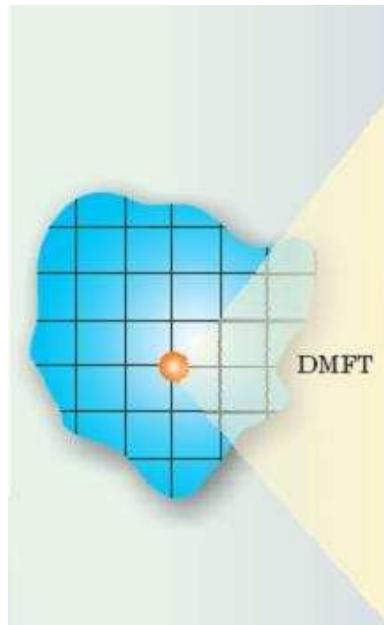
Origin of genuine many-body correlation

$$H = H^{\text{hopping}} + H_{\text{loc}}^{\text{interaction}}$$

$$[H^{\text{hopping}}, H_{\text{loc}}^{\text{interaction}}] \neq 0$$

DMFT for lattice fermions

Replace (map) full many-body lattice problem by a single-site coupled to dynamical reservoir and solve such problem self-consistently



All local dynamical correlations included exactly

Space correlations neglected - mean-field approximation

Local Entropy and Local Relative Entropy

Local density operator:

$$\hat{\rho}_i = \text{Tr}_{j \neq i} \hat{\rho}$$

Local entropy:

$$S[\hat{\rho}_i] = - \sum_{k=1}^4 p_k \ln p_k,$$

where

$$p_1 = \langle (1-n_{i\uparrow})(1-n_{i\downarrow}) \rangle, \quad p_2 = \langle n_{i\uparrow}(1-n_{i\downarrow}) \rangle, \quad p_3 = \langle (1-n_{i\uparrow})n_{i\downarrow} \rangle, \quad p_4 = \langle n_{i\uparrow}n_{i\downarrow} \rangle.$$

A.Rycerz, Eur. Phys. J B **52**, 291 (2006);

D. Larsson and H. Johannesson, Phys. Rev. A **73**, 042320 (2006)

Generalized equations for local relative entropy.

KB, D. Vollhardt, '09

Expectation values for correlated states are determined from DMFT solution
and for uncorrelated states from Hartree-Fock solutions.

Local Entropy and Local Relative Entropy

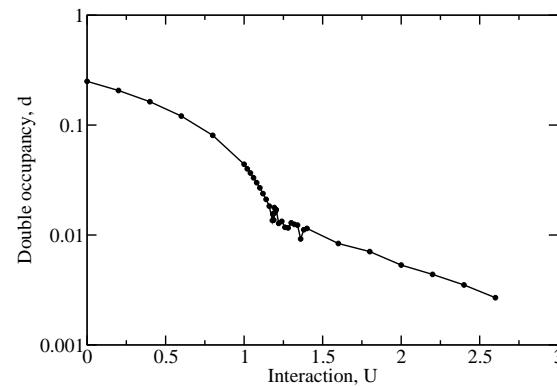
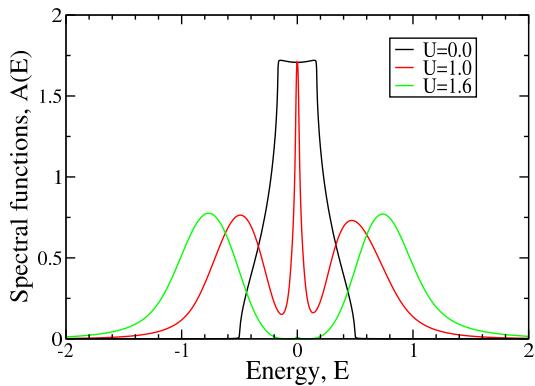
Local entropy

$$S(\hat{\rho}) = -Tr_A \hat{\rho}_A \log \hat{\rho}_A = - \sum_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} \log p_{\alpha}.$$

Local relative entropy

$$E(\hat{\rho} || \hat{\sigma}) = -Tr_A \hat{\rho}_A (\log \hat{\rho}_A - \log \hat{\sigma}_A) = - \sum_{\alpha} p_{\alpha} (\log p_{\alpha} - \log p_{\alpha}^{\sigma}).$$

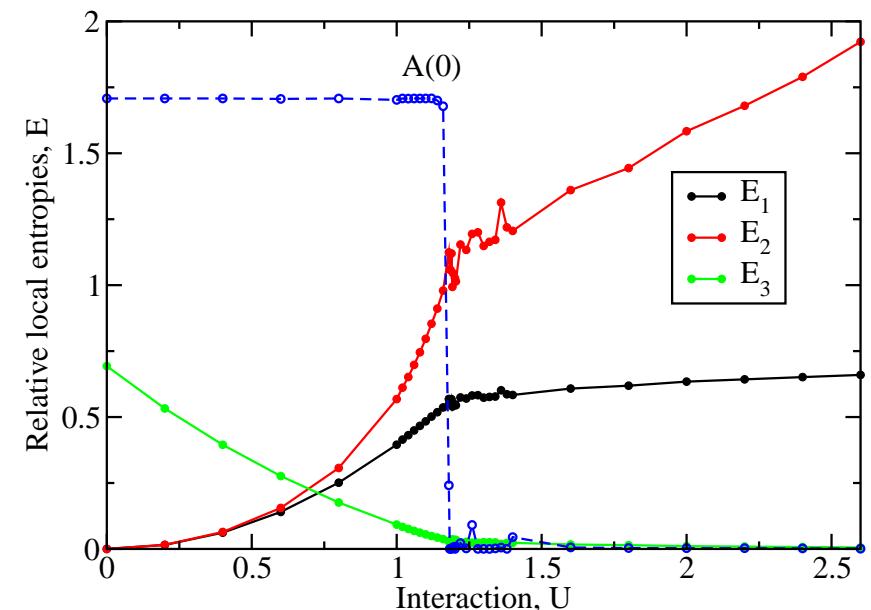
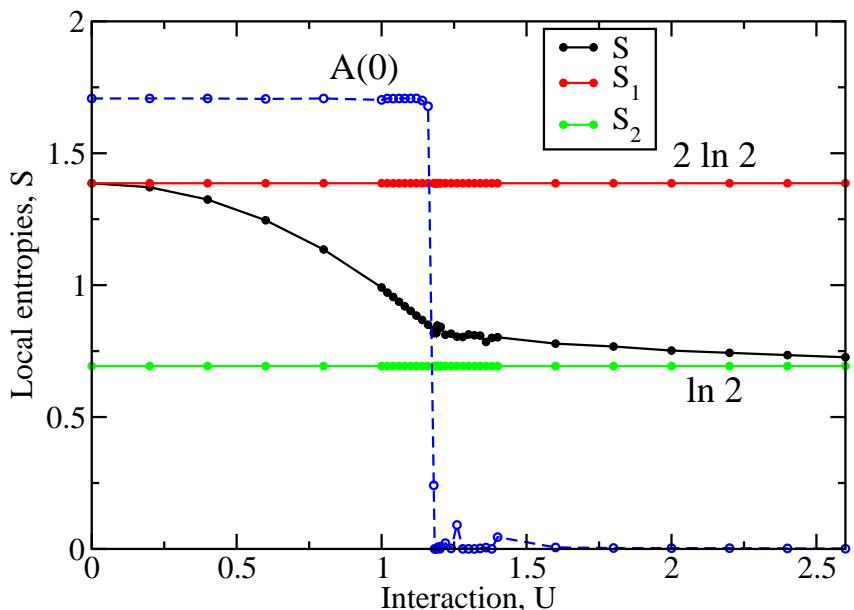
Correlation and Mott Transition



Product (HF) states:

$$|0\rangle = \prod_{k\sigma}^{k_F} a_{k\sigma}^\dagger |v\rangle - U=0 \text{ limit}$$

$$|a\rangle = \prod_i^{N_L} a_{i\sigma_i}^\dagger |v\rangle - \text{atomic limit}$$



$$S(\hat{\rho}) = -Tr[\hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}]$$

$$E(\hat{\rho}||\hat{\sigma}) = -Tr[\hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} - \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\sigma}]$$

$$S = S(\hat{\rho}_{DMFT})$$

$$S_1 = S(\hat{\rho}_0)$$

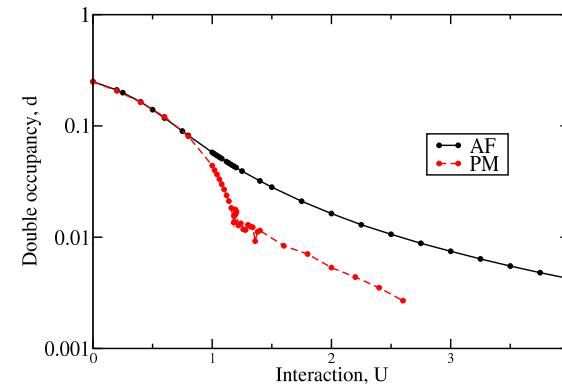
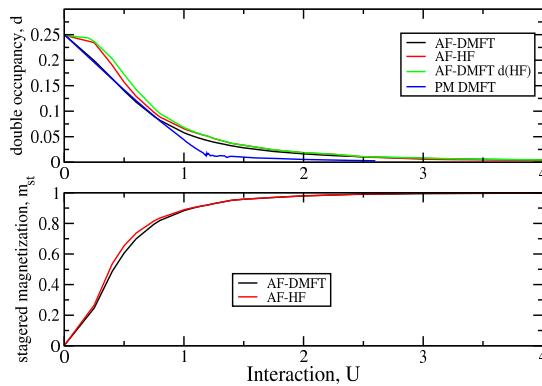
$$S_2 = S(\hat{\rho}_a)$$

$$E_1 = E(\hat{\rho}_{DMFT} || \hat{\rho}_0)$$

$$E_2 = E(\hat{\rho}_0 || \hat{\rho}_{DMFT})$$

$$E_3 = E(\hat{\rho}_a || \hat{\rho}_{DMFT})$$

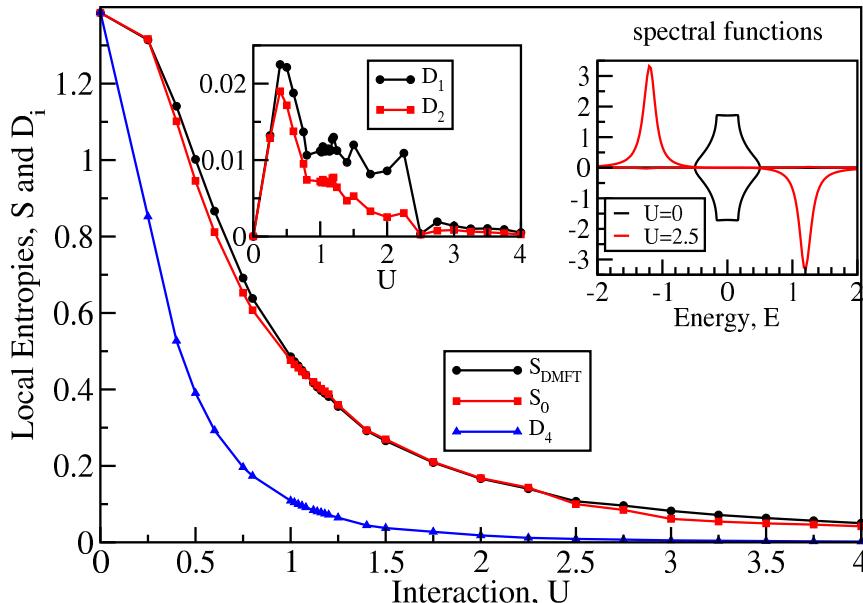
Correlation and Antiferromagnetic Order



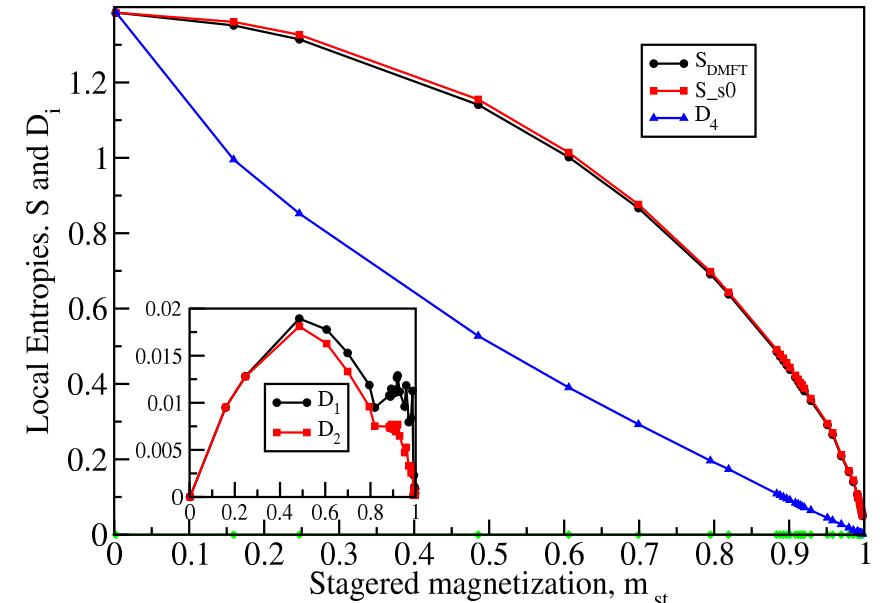
Product (HF) states:

$$|0\rangle = \prod_{k \in (A,B)}^{k_F} a_{kA\uparrow}^\dagger a_{kB\downarrow}^\dagger |v\rangle - \text{Slater limit}$$

$$|a\rangle = \prod_{i \in (A,B)}^{N_L} a_{iA\uparrow}^\dagger a_{iB\downarrow}^\dagger |v\rangle - \text{Heisenberg limit}$$



$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= E(\hat{\rho}_{DMFT} || \hat{\rho}_0) \\ D_2 &= E(\hat{\rho}_0 || \hat{\rho}_{DMFT}) \\ D_4 &= E(\hat{\rho}_a || \hat{\rho}_{DMFT}) \end{aligned}$$



$$S(\hat{\rho}) = -Tr[\hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}]$$

$$E(\hat{\rho} || \hat{\sigma}) = -Tr[\hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} - \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\sigma}]$$

$$S = S(\hat{\rho}_{DMFT})$$

$$S_0 = S(\hat{\rho}_0)$$

$$S_a = S(\hat{\rho}_a)$$

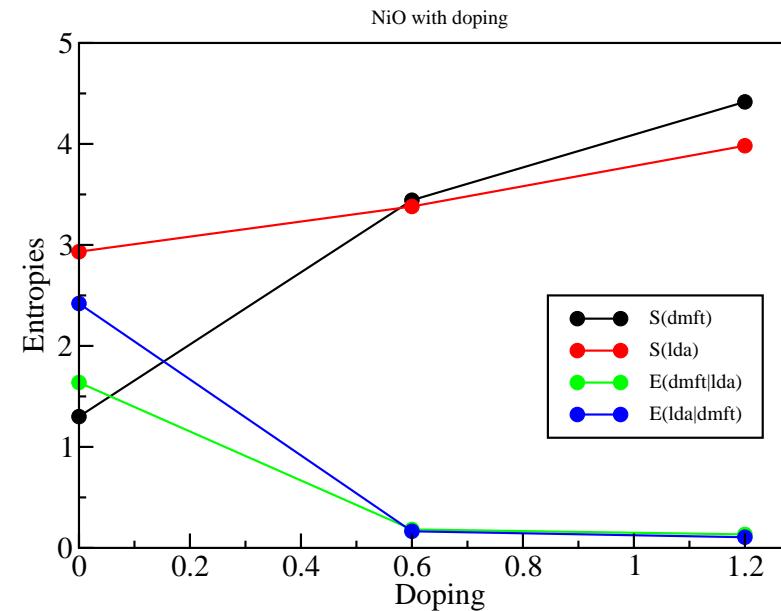
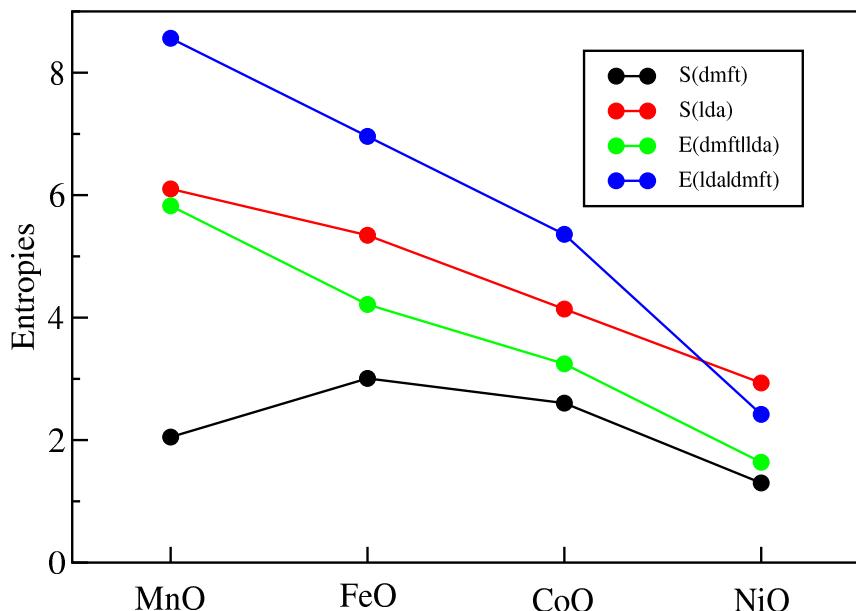
Correlation in Transition Metal-Oxides

MnO

FeO

CoO

NiO



LDA entropy represents number of local states - maximum at d^5

Interaction reduces this number and it becomes almost the same

Non-interacting system chemistry decides how much it is correlated

Doping reduces number of local states in noninteracting system

Summary

- We used [entropy](#) and [relative entropies](#) to [quantify in numbers](#) correlation in correlated electron systems.
- Examples for Hubbard model.
- Different correlations in paramagnetic and in antiferromagnetic cases.
- Different amount of correlation in transition metal oxides: MnO 3 times more correlated than NiO.

Calculation details

Consider a pure state (maximal information)

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\alpha\beta} \Psi_{\alpha\beta} |\alpha\rangle |\beta\rangle$$

of a system which is composed of two subsystems $A = \{|\alpha\rangle\}$ and $B = \{|\beta\rangle\}$.

Density operator (Schmidt decomposition)

$$\hat{\rho} = \sum_k p_k |k\rangle \langle k| = |\Psi\rangle \langle \Psi|.$$

Entropy

$$S(\hat{\rho}) = -\langle \log \hat{\rho} \rangle = -Tr \hat{\rho} \log \hat{\rho} = -\sum_k p_k \log p_k = 0,$$

because

$$p_k = \delta_{k,\Psi}.$$

Calculation details

Trace out the B subsystem, reduced density operator

$$\hat{\rho}_A = Tr_B |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \sum_{\beta} \langle\beta|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|\beta\rangle = \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} |\alpha_1\rangle \sum_{\beta} \Psi_{\alpha_1, \beta} \Psi_{\beta, \alpha_2}^{\dagger} \langle\alpha_2| = \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} |\alpha_1\rangle \rho_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \langle\alpha_2|.$$

Subsystem A is in a **mixed state** (reduced information).

Introduce projector and transition operators

$$\hat{P}_i = |i\rangle\langle i|, \quad \hat{T}_{ij} = |i\rangle\langle j|,$$

then

$$\rho_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} = \sum_{\beta} \Psi_{\alpha_1, \beta} \Psi_{\beta, \alpha_2}^{\dagger} = \langle\Psi|\hat{P}_{\alpha_1}\hat{T}_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2}\hat{P}_{\alpha_2}|\Psi\rangle^{\dagger}.$$

Calculation details

Consider a single lattice site (DMFT) as the A subsystem

$$|\alpha\rangle = \{|0\rangle, |\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle\},$$

then

$$\hat{P}_\alpha = \begin{cases} (1 - \hat{n}_\uparrow)(1 - \hat{n}_\downarrow) \\ \hat{n}_\uparrow(1 - \hat{n}_\downarrow) \\ (1 - \hat{n}_\uparrow)\hat{n}_\downarrow \\ \hat{n}_\uparrow\hat{n}_\downarrow, \end{cases}$$

and

$$\hat{T}_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c_\uparrow & c_\downarrow & c_\downarrow c_\uparrow \\ c_\uparrow^\dagger & 1 & c_\uparrow^\dagger c_\downarrow & -c_\downarrow \\ c_\downarrow^\dagger & c_\downarrow^\dagger c_\uparrow & 1 & c_\uparrow \\ c_\uparrow^\dagger c_\downarrow^\dagger & -c_\downarrow^\dagger & c_\uparrow & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Assuming absence of any off-diagonal order $\langle\Psi|c_\sigma|\Psi\rangle = \langle\Psi|c_\sigma c_{-\sigma}|\Psi\rangle$ the reduced density operator is diagonal

$$\rho_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} = p_1 |0\rangle\langle 0| + p_2 |\uparrow\rangle\langle \uparrow| + p_3 |\downarrow\rangle\langle \downarrow| + p_4 |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle\langle \uparrow\downarrow|,$$

Calculation details

with matrix elements

$$p_\alpha = \langle \Psi | \hat{P}_\alpha | \Psi \rangle$$

determined with an arbitrary pure state $|\Psi\rangle$ (exact, DMFT, HF, etc.) of the full system.

It is straightforward to derive for an arbitrary mixed state $\hat{\rho}$ of the full system.