High precision spectral functions from discrete imaginary time Green's functions

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Example: non-interacting Anderson impurity $A(r = 0, \omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{4 - \omega^2}}{4 - \omega^2 + \epsilon^2} \Theta(|\omega| - 2) + \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{4 + \epsilon^2}} \delta(\omega + \sqrt{4 + \epsilon^2})$ $G(0, i\omega_n) = \int d\omega \frac{A(0, \omega)}{i\omega_n - \omega}$ $K^{t=1} \times K^{t} \otimes K^{t} \times K^{t} \times$

$$\frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_{m-1} z^{m-1}}{1 + b_1 + \dots + b_m z^m} \qquad G(i\omega_n) = \frac{P(i\omega_n)}{Q(i\omega_n)}$$



High precision self-consistent Green's function calculations

High precision calculations requires a finite basis (?) Can we work with a finite set of imaginary frequencies?

We discretize imaginary time: the GF of the diagrammatic expansion, not the path integral directly.

Advantage: non-interacting GF and spectral function can be captured exactly. Spectral weight conservation can be build into the formalism.

$$G(\tau - \tau') = G_0(\tau - \tau') + \int d\tau_1 d\tau_2 G_0(\tau - \tau_1) \Sigma(\tau_1 - \tau_2) G_0(\tau_2 - \tau') + \dots$$
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(ambiguity at
$$\tau_i - \tau_j = 0$$
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Non-interacting GF

$$G_{0,k}(\tau) = e^{-\tau\epsilon_k} [n_f(\epsilon_k)\theta(-\tau + 0^+) + (n_f(\epsilon_k) - 1)\theta(\tau - 0^+)]$$



$$G_{0,k}(i\omega_n) = \frac{\beta}{N} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{i\omega_n \tau_j} G_{0,k}(\tau_j) = \frac{\beta}{2N} \coth \frac{\beta}{2N} (i\omega_n - \epsilon_k)$$

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Periodic: $i\omega_n \to i\omega_n + i\Omega_N$ $\Omega_N = \frac{2\pi}{\beta}N$

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Dyson equation

$$G_{k}(i\omega_{n}) = (i\omega_{n} - \epsilon_{k} - \Sigma_{k}(i\omega_{n}))^{-1}$$

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$$G(i\omega_n)$$
 is periodic $G(i\omega_n) = G(i\omega_n \pm i\Omega_N)$ with $\Omega_N = \frac{2\pi}{\beta}N$

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Analytic Structure/Analytic continuation

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Discretize the} \\ \text{spectral} \\ \text{representation} \end{array} & G_k(\tau) = -\frac{1}{Z} \sum_{m,n} e^{-\beta E_n} e^{\tau(E_n - E_m)} |\langle m | c_k^{\dagger} | n \rangle|^2 \\ & A(k, \omega) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{m,n} |\langle m | c_k^{\dagger} | n \rangle|^2 e^{-\beta E_n} (1 + e^{-\beta \omega}) \delta(E_m - E_n - \omega) \end{array}$

$$G_k(z) = \int d\omega A(k,\omega) \frac{\beta}{2N} \operatorname{Coth} \frac{\beta}{2N}(z-\omega)$$



Represent spectral function in terms of a (set of) generalized Lorentzians

Map periodically repeated poles to single poles:

$$G(z) = \frac{\beta}{4N} \sum_{\nu} \left[a_{\nu} \coth \frac{\beta}{4N} (z - \epsilon_{\nu} + i\gamma_{\nu}) + a_{\nu}^* \tanh \frac{\beta}{4N} (z - \epsilon_{\nu} - i\gamma_{\nu}) \right]$$





Do calculations to high precision at finite N Make "numerically exact" analytic continuation Take N to infinity to find full analytic Green's function and spectral function

M.Granath, A. Sabashvili, H.U.R. Strand, S. Östlund, arXiv: 1103.3516

H.U.R. Strand, A. Sabshvili, M. Granath, B. Hellsing, S. Östlund, PRB 2011

Formalism looking for more applications...

There is also a consistent functional formulation

$$\Gamma = \Phi(\{G\}) - Tr(G^{+}\Sigma) + Tr\log\left(-G^{-}/(2\eta)\right) \approx \beta\Omega$$
$$\Sigma_{k}(i\omega_{n}) = \frac{\delta\Phi}{\delta G_{k}(i\omega_{n})}$$

Gives exact free energy in the non-interacting limit for any N

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