Simplest example; magnetization conservation



- blocks correspond to fixed values of m_z
- no H matrix elements between states of different mz
- A block contains states with a given m_z
 - corresponds to ordering the states in a particular way

Number of states in the largest block $(m_z = 0)$: $N!/[(N/2)!]^2$





Other symmetries (conserved quantum numbers)

- can be used to further split the blocks
- but more complicated
 - basis states have to be constructed to obey symmetries
 - e.g., momentum states (using translational invariance)

Pseudocode: using magnetization conservation

Constructing the basis in the block of n_{\uparrow} spins \uparrow

Store state-integers in ordered list sa, a=1,....,M

do
$$s = 0, 2^N - 1$$

if $(\sum_i s[i] = n_{\uparrow})$ then $a = a + 1$; $s_a = s$ endif
enddo
 $M = a$

 $S_6=12$ (1100)

How to locate a state (given integer s) in the list?

- stored map $s \rightarrow a$ may be too big for $s=0,...,2^{N-1}$
- instead, we search the list sa (here simplest way)

subroutine findstate(s, b)
$$b_{\min} = 1; b_{\max} = M$$

do
 $b = b_{\min} + (b_{\max} - b_{\min})/2$
if (s < s_b) then
 $b_{\max} = b - 1$
elseif (s > s_b) then
 $b_{\min} = b + 1$
else
exit
endif
enddo

Finding the location **b** of a state-integer **s** in the list

using bisection in the ordered list

Pseudocode; hamiltonian construction

- recall: states labeled a=1,...,M
- corresponding state-integers (bit representation) stored as sa
- bit i, s_a[i], corresponds to S^z_i

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do a = 1, M
     do i = 0, N - 1
          j = \mathbf{mod}(i+1, N)
          if (s_a[i] = s_a[j]) then
               H(a, a) = H(a, a) + \frac{1}{4}
          else
               H(a, a) = H(a, a) - \frac{1}{4}
               s = \mathbf{flip}(s_a, i, j)
               call findstate(s, b)
               H(a,b) = H(a,b) + \frac{1}{2}
          endif
     enddo
enddo
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loop over states loop over sites

check bits of state-integers

state with bits i and j flipped

Momentum states (translationally invariant systems)

A periodic chain (ring), translationally invariant

• the eigenstates have a momentum (crystal momentum) k

$$T|n\rangle = \mathrm{e}^{ik}|n\rangle$$
 $k = m\frac{2\pi}{N}, m = 0, \dots, N-1,$

The operator T translates the state by one lattice spacing

• for a spin basis state

 $T|S_1^z, S_2^z, \dots, S_N^z\rangle = |S_N^z, S_1^z, \dots, S_{N-1}^z\rangle$

 $[T,H]=0 \rightarrow$ momentum blocks of H

• can use eigenstates of T with given k as basis (H blocks labeled by k)

A momentum state can be constructed from any representative state

$$|a(k)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_a}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} e^{-ikr} T^r |a\rangle,$$

Construct ordered list of representatives If Ia> and Ib> are representatives, then

$$T^r |a\rangle \neq |b\rangle \ r \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$$

<u>4-site examples</u>
(0011)→(0110),(1100),(1001)
(0101)→(1010)

 $|a\rangle = |S_1^z, \dots, S_N^z\rangle$

Convention: the representative is the one corresponding to the smallest integer



$$|a(k)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_a}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} e^{-ikr} T^r |a\rangle, \quad |a\rangle = |S_1^z, \dots, S_N^z\rangle \qquad k = m \frac{2\pi}{N}$$

The sum can contain several copies of the same state

- if $T^R |a\rangle = |a\rangle$ for some R < N
- the total weight for this component is

 $1 + e^{-ikR} + e^{-i2kR} + \dots + e^{-ik(N-R)}$

- vanishes (state incompatible with k and not in k block) unless $kR=n2\pi$
- the total weight of the representative is then N/R

$$kR = n2\pi \rightarrow \frac{mR}{N} = n \rightarrow m = n\frac{N}{R} \rightarrow \text{mod}(m, N/R) = 0$$

Normalization of a state $|a(k)\rangle$ with periodicity R_a

$$\langle a(k)|a(k)\rangle = \frac{1}{N_a} \times R_a \times \left(\frac{N}{R_a}\right)^2 = 1 \to N_a = \frac{N^2}{R_a}$$

Basis construction: find all allowed representatives and their periodicities

(a₁, a₂, a₃, ..., a_M) (R₁, R₂, R₃, ..., R_M) The block size **M** is initially not known

- approximately 1/N of total size of fixed m_z block
- depends on the periodicity constraint for given k

The Hamiltonian matrix. Write S = 1/2 chain hamiltonian as

$$H_0 = \sum_{j=1}^N S_j^z S_{j+1}^z, \quad H_j = \frac{1}{2} (S_j^+ S_{j+1}^- + S_j^+ S_{j+1}^-), \quad j = 1, \dots, N$$

Act with H on a momentum state

$$H|a(k)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_a}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} e^{-ikr} T^r H|a\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_a}} \sum_{j=0}^{N} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} e^{-ikr} T^r H_j|a\rangle,$$

H_j|a> is related to some representative: $H_j |a\rangle = h_a^j T^{-l_j} |b_j\rangle$ Here $h_a^j = 1/2$ for

$$H|a(k)\rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \frac{h_a^j}{\sqrt{N_a}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} e^{-ikr} T^{(r-l_j)} |b_j\rangle$$
an off-diagonal operator if the spins are flippable

Shift summation index r and use definition of momentum state

$$\begin{aligned} H|a(k)\rangle &= \sum_{j=0}^{N} h_{a}^{j} e^{-ikl_{j}} \sqrt{\frac{N_{b_{j}}}{N_{a}}} |b_{j}(k)\rangle & \rightarrow \text{matrix elements} \\ \langle a(k)|H_{0}|a(k)\rangle &= \sum_{j=1}^{N} S_{j}^{z} S_{j}^{z}, \\ \langle b_{j}(k)|H_{j>0}|a(k)\rangle &= e^{-ikl_{j}} \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{R_{a}}{R_{b_{j}}}}, \quad |b_{j}\rangle \propto T^{-l_{j}} H_{j}|a\rangle, \end{aligned}$$