# Potential problem:

The normalization constants N<sub>m</sub> can become very large (think of E<sub>0</sub><sup>m</sup>)

# Solution:

generate the normalized basis directly

• start with  $|\phi_0\rangle$  arbitrary, normalized, and then

$$|\phi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{N_1} \left( H|\phi_0\rangle - a_0|\phi_0\rangle \right).$$
  
$$|\phi_{m+1}\rangle = \frac{1}{N_{m+1}} \left( H|\phi_m\rangle - a_m|\phi_m\rangle - N_m|\phi_{m-1}\rangle \right) = \frac{|\gamma_{m+1}\rangle}{N_{m+1}}$$

The definition of  $N_m$  is different, and no  $b_m$ :

 $a_m = \langle \phi_m | H | \phi_m \rangle$  $N_m = \langle \gamma_m | \gamma_m \rangle^{-1/2}$ 

Generate  $I\gamma_m$ > first, normalize to get  $N_{m+1}$ The H-matrix is

## Lanczos basis generation in practice

Here: generate the orthogonal basis  $\{\phi_m\}$  directly

$$|\phi_m\rangle = \sum_{a=1}^M \phi_m(a)|a\rangle, \quad m = 0, \dots, \Lambda$$

in a given symmetry block of size M

The coefficients  $\phi_m(a)$  are stored as  $\Lambda+1$  vectors of size M

- may store only the vectors  $\phi_{m-1}$  and  $\phi_m$  to generate  $\phi_{m+1}$ 
  - but basis has to be re-generated when computing expectation values
- stabilization by "re-orthogonalization" (later) requires storage of all  $\varphi_m$

The main computational effort is in acting with the hamiltonian;  $H|\phi_m>$ 

- implement as a subroutine **hoperation**( $\phi$ , $\gamma$ ), where  $I\gamma$ >=HI $\phi$ >
- state normalization implemented as **normalize**( $\phi$ ,n)
  - $\phi$  = vector to normalize, n =  $\langle \phi | \phi \rangle$  before normalization

### **Pseudocode; Lanczos basis generation**

Initial random state

do i = 1, M  $\phi_0(i) = random[0-1]$ enddo call normalize $(\phi_0, n_0)$  second state

**call hoperation** $(\phi_0, \phi_1)$  $a_0 = \langle \phi_0 | \phi_1 \rangle; \ \phi_1 = \phi_0 - a_0 | \phi_1 \rangle$ **call normalize** $(\phi_1, n_1)$ 

Generate the rest of the states

do  $m = 1, \Lambda - 1$ call hoperation $(\phi_m, \phi_{m+1})$   $a_m = \langle \phi_m | \phi_{m+1} \rangle$   $\phi_{m+1} = \phi_{m+1} - a_m \phi_m - n_m \phi_{m-1}$ call normalize $(\phi_{m+1}, n_{m+1})$ enddo

Note: the H-matrix can be constructed and diagonalized after each step

- follow evolution of energy versus  $\Lambda$
- stop based on some convergence criterion on E<sub>0</sub> (or higher energy)
- expectation values converge slower than energies

The subroutine **hoperation**( $\phi$ , $\gamma$ ) implements

$$H|\phi\rangle = |\gamma\rangle = \sum_{a=1}^{M} \sum_{b=1}^{M} \phi(a)\langle b|H|a\rangle|b\rangle \qquad |\phi\rangle = \sum_{a=1}^{M} \phi(a)|a\rangle$$

in a given symmetry block (M = block size)

We do not want to store *H* as an *M*×*M* matrix (too big). Two options:

- carry out the operations on the fly; only the vectors are stored
- store *H* in a compact form; only non-0 elements (sparse matrix)

# Storing *H* speeds up the Lanczos iterations

• but may require a lot of memory

## Compact storage of H: For each a=1,M

- $\textbf{\textit{e}}_{a}$  is the number of non-0 elements  $\left< \mathbf{b} | \mathbf{H} | \mathbf{a} \right>$
- labels  $i=s_a+1, s_a+e_a$  will refer to these matrix elements;  $s_a = \sum e_a$
- **H**(i) contains the values of the matrix elements  $\langle \mathbf{b} | \mathbf{H} | \mathbf{a} \rangle$
- B(i) contains the corresponding "target" state index b
- The hamiltonian is symmetric
  store only elements with b ≤ a (divide diagonal elements by 2)

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#### Pseudocode; hamiltonian operation with compact storage

subroutine hoperation
$$(\phi, \gamma)$$
  
 $\gamma = 0; i = 0$   
do  $a = 1, M$   
do  $j = 1, e_a$   
 $i = i + 1$   
 $\gamma(B(i)) = \gamma(B(i)) + H(i)\phi(a)$   
 $\gamma(a) = \gamma(a) + H(i)\phi(B(i))$   
enddo  
enddo

$$H|\phi\rangle = |\gamma\rangle = \sum_{a=1}^{M} \sum_{b=1}^{M} \phi(a) \langle b|H|a\rangle |b\rangle$$

#### Further storage compactification possible

- small number of different elements
- use mapping  $\langle \mathbf{b} | \mathbf{H} | \mathbf{a} \rangle \rightarrow \text{integer}$
- many operations on Ia> give same Ib>
  - add up all contributions before storing

#### **Operator expectation values**

Diagonalizing the tri-diagonal matrix  $\rightarrow$  eigenstates in the Lanczos basis

- eigenvectors **v**<sub>n</sub>, energies **E**<sub>n</sub>
- only some number of low-energy states (<<  $\Lambda$ ) are correct eigenstates of H

To compute expectation values we normally go back to the original basis

$$\psi_n(a) = \sum_{m=0}^{N} v_n(m)\phi_m(a), \quad a = 1, \dots, M$$

To compute  $\langle \psi_{\mathbf{n}} | \mathbf{O} | \psi_{\mathbf{n}} \rangle$  first construct

$$\begin{split} O|\psi_n\rangle &= |\psi_n^O\rangle &= \sum_{a=1}^M \psi_n(a)O|a\rangle \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^M \sum_{b=1}^M \psi_n(a)|b\rangle\langle b|O|a\rangle \quad \stackrel{\text{oblOla> done exactly as when constructing of the H matrix}{} \\ &= \sum_{b=1}^M \psi_n^O(b)|b\rangle \qquad \psi_n^O(b) = \sum_{a=1}^M \psi_n(a)\langle b|O|a\rangle \end{split}$$
Then evaluate the scalar product
$$\langle \psi_n|O|\psi_n\rangle &= \langle \psi_n|\psi_n^O\rangle = \sum_{a=1}^M \psi_n(a)\psi_n^O(a)$$



- higher states collapse down onto lower ones
- can be cured with re-orthogonalization



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### **Re-orthogonalization procedure**

For each state generated, remove all components of prior states, *i=1,...,m* 

• easy if we work with the normalized basis and all states are stored

$$|\phi_m\rangle \to \frac{|\phi_m\rangle - q|\phi_i\rangle}{1 - q^2}, \quad q = \langle \phi_i |\phi_m\rangle$$

Pseudocode: modify state generation

do 
$$m = 1, \Lambda - 1$$
  
call hoperation $(\phi_m, \phi_{m+1})$   
 $a_m = \langle \phi_m | \phi_{m+1} \rangle; \ \phi_{m+1} = \phi_{m+1} - a_m \phi_m - n_m \phi_{m-1}$   
call normalize $(\phi_{m+1}, n_{m+1})$   
do  $i = 1, m$   
 $q = \langle \phi_{m+1} | \phi_i \rangle; \ \phi_{m+1} = (\phi_{m+1} - q\phi_i)/(1 - q^2)$   
enddo  
enddo

Note: the Lanczos method can only generate a single state of a multiplet • some random linear combination of degenerate states

Example: 2 degenerate states i, j:

$$H^{\Lambda}|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{m\neq i,j} c_m E^{\Lambda}_m |\psi_m\rangle + E^m_{i,j} (c_i |\psi_i\rangle + c_j |\psi_j\rangle)$$

The mixing of the duplet is determined by c<sub>i</sub>, c<sub>j</sub> of the initial state