Complex Langevin study of an attractively interacting two-component Fermi gas in 1D with population imbalance

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- What is the sign problem ?
- Sign problem in cold atom (and QCD)
- Complex Langevin (theory and application)


## Sign problem: an intuitive picture



Numerical evaluation of highly oscillatory integrals is difficult

## Sign problem: precise statement



Monte Carlo evaluation of highly oscillatory integrals is difficult

## Monte Carlo integration


$P(x) \propto e^{-S(x)} \begin{array}{ll} & \text { is viewed as a probability density } \\ \text { function if } S(x) \in \mathbb{R}\end{array}$

## Monte Carlo integration for complex $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{x})$

Non positive semi-definite
$\frac{\int d x O(x) P(x)}{\int d x P(x)}$
$P(x) \propto e^{-S(x)}$ is not viewed as a probability density function if $S(x) \in \mathbb{C}$

## Monte Carlo integration for complex $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{x})$

## $\frac{\int d x O(x) P(x) / \int d x|P(x)|}{\int d x P(x) / \int d x|P(x)|}$

## Monte Carlo integration for complex $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{x})$

$$
\frac{\int d x O(x) e^{i \theta(x)}|P(x)| / \int d x|P(x)|}{\int d x e^{i \theta(x)}|P(x)| / \int d x|P(x)|}
$$

This procedure is known as reweighting.

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## Positive semi-definite

$$
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$$

Evaluate the numerator and denominator separately

## Sign problem: more precise statement

$$
\frac{\int d x e^{i \theta(x)}|P(x)|}{\int d x|P(x)|}
$$



Signal-to-noise ratio is exponentially small

## Sign problem in ultracold Fermi gas

## Grand partition function

$$
Z=\int\left(\prod_{\sigma} \mathcal{D} \bar{\psi}_{\sigma} \mathcal{D} \psi_{\sigma}\right) e^{-\int d \tau d^{d} x\left(\sum_{\sigma} \bar{\psi}_{\sigma} G_{\sigma}^{-1} \psi_{\sigma}-g \bar{\psi}_{\uparrow} \bar{\psi}_{\downarrow} \psi_{\downarrow} \psi_{\uparrow}\right)}
$$



## Sign problem in ultracold Fermi gas

Grand partition function

$$
Z=\int \mathcal{D} \phi\left(\prod_{\sigma} \mathcal{D} \bar{\psi}_{\sigma} \mathcal{D} \psi_{\sigma}\right) e^{-\int d \tau d^{d} x\left(\sum_{\sigma} \bar{\psi}_{\sigma}\left(G_{\sigma}^{-1}-\sqrt{g} \phi\right) \psi_{\sigma}+\frac{\phi^{2}}{2}\right)}
$$



## Sign problem in ultracold Fermi gas

Grand partition function
$Z=\int \mathcal{D} \phi \operatorname{det}\left(G_{\uparrow}^{-1}-\sqrt{g} \phi\right) \operatorname{det}\left(G_{\downarrow}^{-1}-\sqrt{g} \phi\right) e^{-\int d \tau d^{d} x \frac{\phi^{2}}{2}}$
Non positive semi-definite


Except for $\uparrow=\downarrow$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{det}\left(G_{\uparrow}^{-1}-\sqrt{g} \phi\right) \operatorname{det}\left(G_{\downarrow}^{-1}-\sqrt{g} \phi\right)=\operatorname{det}\left(G^{-1}-\sqrt{g} \phi\right)^{2} \geq 0 \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Sign problem in other systems

$$
Z=\int \mathcal{D} \phi \operatorname{det} M(\phi) e^{-S(\phi)}
$$

Fermion determinant is non positive semi-definite when

- Even species of fermions with imbalance $(\uparrow \neq \downarrow)$
- Odd species of fermions
- Repulsive interaction

Related topics:
polaron, FFLO, High-Tc superconductor, Effimov effect, bose-fermi mixture, ...

## Sign problem in QCD

$$
Z=\int \mathcal{D} U \operatorname{det}\left(\gamma^{\mu} D_{\mu}-m-\mu \gamma^{0}\right) e^{-S(U)}
$$

Fermion determinant is non positive semi-definite when

- Chemical potential is nonzero


## Complex Langevin

$$
\frac{d \phi}{d t}=-\frac{\partial(S(\phi)-\log \operatorname{det} M(\phi))}{\partial \phi}+\eta
$$

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$$
\frac{d \phi}{d t}=-\frac{\partial S_{\mathrm{eff}}(\phi)}{\partial \phi}+\eta
$$

Parisi, Phys. Lett. 131B (1983) 393, Klauder PRA 29 (1984) 2036

## Complex Langevin

$$
\frac{d \phi}{d t}=-\frac{\partial S_{\mathrm{eff}}(\phi)}{\partial \phi}+\eta
$$

Reach equilibrium

$$
P_{\mathrm{eq}}\left(\phi_{\mathrm{R}}, \phi_{\mathrm{I}}\right)
$$

## Justification of complex Langevin

If $P_{\text {eq }}$ or $\frac{\partial S_{\text {eff }}}{\partial \phi}$ has "good" properties,
$\int \mathcal{D} \phi_{\mathrm{R}} \mathcal{D} \phi_{\mathrm{I}} O\left(\phi_{\mathrm{R}}+i \phi_{\mathrm{I}}\right) P_{\mathrm{eq}}\left(\phi_{\mathrm{R}}, \phi_{\mathrm{I}}\right)=\frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D} \phi O(\phi) e^{-S_{\text {eff }}(\phi)}$
Obtained by complex Langevin
Original path integral

Aarts, Seiler, Stamatescu, PRD 81 (2010) 054608
Aarts, James, Seiler, Stamatescu, EPJ C71 (2011) 1756
Nagata, Nishimura, Shimasaki, PRD 92 (2015) 011501, PTEP 2016013 B01

## Practically useful criterion

Distribution of the drift term should decay exponentially.



Nagata, Nishimura, Shimasaki, PRD 92 (2015) 011501, PTEP 2016013 B01

## Application

Our setup:

- Two-component Fermion $(\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow)$
- Attractive contact interaction $(g>0)$
- ID
$S=\int_{0}^{\beta} d \tau \int d x\left[\sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \bar{\psi}_{\sigma}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}-\frac{1}{2 m_{\sigma}} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}-\mu_{\sigma}\right) \psi_{\sigma}-g \bar{\psi}_{\uparrow} \bar{\psi}_{\downarrow} \psi_{\downarrow} \psi_{\uparrow}\right]$

Corresponding Hamiltonian: $\hat{H}=-\sum_{\sigma=\uparrow, \downarrow} \sum_{i} \frac{1}{2 m_{\sigma}} \frac{d^{2}}{d x_{i}^{2}}-\sum_{i<j} g \delta\left(x_{i}-x_{j}\right)$

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$a_{\mathrm{s}} \ll \lambda_{T}=\sqrt{2 \pi \beta}$ (thermal de Broglie length) 26


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Continuum limit: $a_{\mathrm{s}} \ll \lambda_{T}=\sqrt{2 \pi \beta} \rightarrow \infty$

## Dimensionless parameters

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \beta \mu=\beta\left(\mu_{\uparrow}+\mu_{\downarrow}\right) / 2 \\
& \beta h=\beta\left(\mu_{\uparrow}-\mu_{\downarrow}\right) / 2 \\
& \lambda=\sqrt{g^{2} \beta} \\
& r=a_{\tau} / a_{\mathrm{s}}
\end{aligned}
$$

We set* $m_{\uparrow}=m_{\downarrow}=1$

## What is expected ?



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## Poralon $\leftarrow$ Today's topic

https://physics.aps.org/articles/v9/86


Orso, PRL 98 (2007) 070402

## Complex Langevin works !



## Extracting the polaron energy

$$
\begin{aligned}
G(\tau) & =\langle 0| \psi_{\downarrow}(\tau) \psi_{\downarrow}{ }^{\dagger}(0)|0\rangle \\
& =\langle 0| \mathrm{e}^{\hat{H} \tau} \psi_{\downarrow}(0) \mathrm{e}^{-\hat{H} \tau} \psi_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}(0)|0\rangle \\
& =\langle 0| \psi_{\downarrow}(0) \mathrm{e}^{-\hat{H} \tau} \psi_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}(0)|0\rangle \\
& =\sum_{n}\langle 0| \psi_{\downarrow}(0) \mathrm{e}^{-\hat{H} \tau}|n\rangle\langle n| \psi_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}(0)|0\rangle \\
& =\sum_{n} A_{n} \mathrm{e}^{-E_{n} \tau} \\
& \rightarrow A_{0} \mathrm{e}^{-E_{0} \tau}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Dispersion relation of polaron



Fitting function: $E_{p}=\frac{p^{2}}{2 m_{\downarrow}^{*}}+U-r \mu_{\downarrow}$

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What about T-dependence?

TMA = T-matrix approach (self-consistent diagrammatic calc.)
CL = Complex Langevin

- TMA agrees with TBA in this temperature region.
- Lattice artifact may not be negligible in strong coupling regime.


## Summary

-What is the sign problem ?

- Exponentially small signal-to-noise ratio in Monte Carlo simulations
- Sign problem in cold atom
- Non positive definite fermion determinant causes the sign problem.
- Complex Langevin (theory and application)
- In our setup (1D, attractive, $\beta h \neq 0$ ), complex Langevin is reliable.
- We obtain polaron energy at $T \neq 0$
- Consistent with TBA


## Appendix

$N_{\downarrow} / N_{\uparrow}$


## Flow of the drift term



## Two point function



## One particle energy



