

# QC Wavefunction Theory

- Weak ("dynamic") and static/strong correlations are different
- In weakly correlated systems, HF is a good approximation
- Static correlation appears from near degeneracies among and between occupied and unoccupied orbitals; HF breaks down
- The weak correlation problem has been solved: SR CCSD(T)
- "Solved": polynomial cost approach with controlled errors (albeit not inexpensive, cost ~  $N^6 N^7$ )
- The static/strong correlation problem remains wide open
- Ideal wavefunction theory needs:
  - Low computational cost
  - Address the static/strong correlation problem in a black-box manner

# Outline

- Pair coupled cluster theory for static correlation
- Lie algebraic similarity transformation theory for weak correlation
- Their marriage
- All with low polynomial computational cost

# coupled cluster theory

## CC theory

 Coupled Cluster theory is based on a particle-hole excitation construction of the Hilbert space: singles + doubles + triples + ...

$$T = T_1 + T_2 + T_3 + \dots \qquad T_2 = \sum_{ijab} t_{ij}^{ab} c_a^{\dagger} c_b^{\dagger} c_i c_j$$
$$|\Psi\rangle = e^T |\Phi\rangle \qquad He^T |\Phi\rangle = Ee^T |\Phi\rangle$$

*i*, *j*: occ; *a*, *b*: unocc in reference determinant  $|\Phi\rangle$ 

• Hamiltonian is similarity transformed to non-hermitian form

$$\overline{H} = e^{-T} H e^{T}; \qquad \overline{H} | \Phi \rangle = E | \Phi \rangle$$
$$E = \left\langle \Phi | \overline{H} | \Phi \right\rangle$$

- This is a canonical transformation but the energy is unbound
- Cluster coefficients are determined left-projecting Schrodinger eqn:

$$0 = \left\langle {}^{ab}_{ij} | \overline{H} | \Phi \right\rangle$$

# CC theory (cont.)

- This is equivalent to making the energy variance zero over the projected subspace of the full Hilbert space:  $\sigma^2 = \langle \overline{H}^2 \rangle \langle \overline{H} \rangle$
- Mathematically: constrained energy functional L is made stationary

$$\begin{aligned} L\left(t_{ij}^{ab}, z_{ab}^{ij}\right) &= \left\langle \Phi \left| \left(I + Z\right) e^{-T} H e^{T} \right| \Phi \right\rangle \\ Z &= \sum_{ijab} z_{ab}^{ij} c_{i}^{\dagger} c_{j}^{\dagger} c_{a} c_{b}, \qquad \frac{\partial L}{\partial t_{ij}^{ab}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{ab}^{ij}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

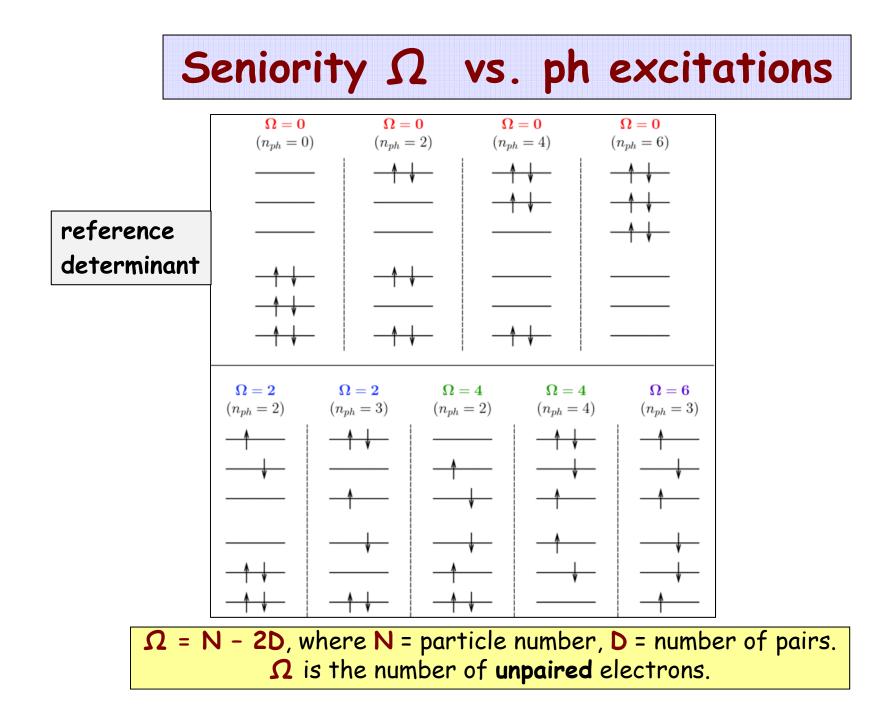
with different **right**  $\left| \Phi \right\rangle$  and **left** eigenvectors  $\left\langle \Phi \right| (I+Z)$ 

- CC has polynomial scaling with system size: CCSD is N<sup>6</sup>; CCSDT is N<sup>8</sup>
- Size extensive theory
- CCSD(T) is the "gold standard" for weak correlation in quantum chemistry, but for strongly correlated systems where high-order excitations become important, single-reference CCSD(T) falls dead

# pair coupled cluster theory

Lots of "pair" theories in the literature... What is different about this one ?

- Concept of seniority
- High quality results for static correlation
- Mean-field computational cost



### pCCD

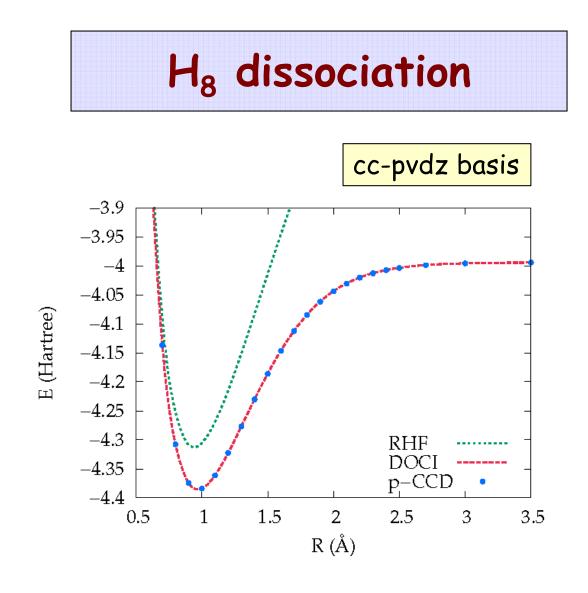
• Coupled Cluster theory with a simplified pair excitation operator

$$T = \sum_{ia} t_i^a c_{a\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\alpha\beta}^{\dagger} c_{i\beta} c_{i\alpha} = \sum_{ia} t_i^a P_a^{\dagger} P_i$$

• orbital optimization: make CC energy stationary with respect to all orbital rotations. This is crucial to properly define the pairs.

$$\begin{aligned} & L\left(t_{i}^{a}, z_{j}^{b}, \kappa_{pq}\right) = \left\langle \Phi \left| \left(I + Z\right) e^{-T} e^{-\kappa} H e^{\kappa} e^{T} \right| \Phi \right\rangle \\ & \kappa = \sum_{pq} \kappa_{pq} \left( c_{p}^{\dagger} c_{q} - c_{q}^{\dagger} c_{q} \right), \qquad \kappa_{pq} = \kappa_{qp}^{*}, \qquad \frac{\partial L}{\partial t_{i}^{a}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{j}^{b}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \kappa_{k}^{c}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Ayers et al.: oo-pCCD results match oo-DOCI = full CI of pairs !
- pCCD has mean-field computational cost: O(N<sup>3</sup>) (if we ignore the integral transformation)
- DOCI has combinatorial cost (and is size extensive like CC)



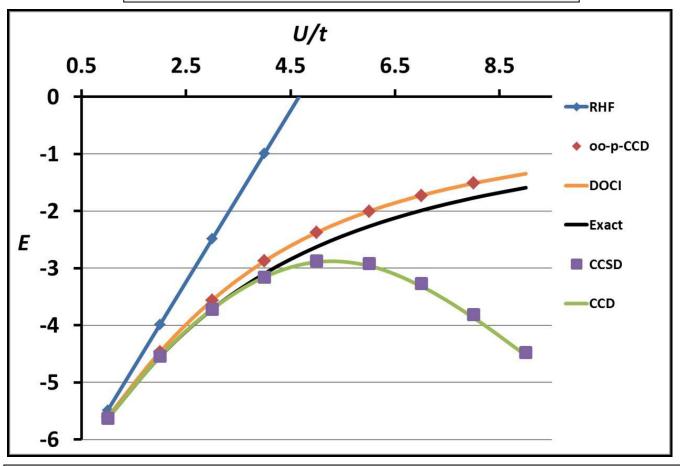
A combinatorial cost wave function (DOCI) is remarkably well approximated by O(N<sup>3</sup>) pCCD

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} c^{\dagger}_{i\sigma} c_{j\sigma} + U \sum_{i} c^{\dagger}_{i\uparrow} c_{i\uparrow} c^{\dagger}_{i\downarrow} c_{i\downarrow}$$

- **U = 0** => **RHF** is exact
- U small => weakly correlated
- U large => strongly correlated
- Exact solution known in 1D => Bethe ansatz
- Very rich physics (Mott transition, hiTc cuprates)

## oo-pCCD vs. RHF based CC

1D Hubbard chain; 16 sites; half-filling

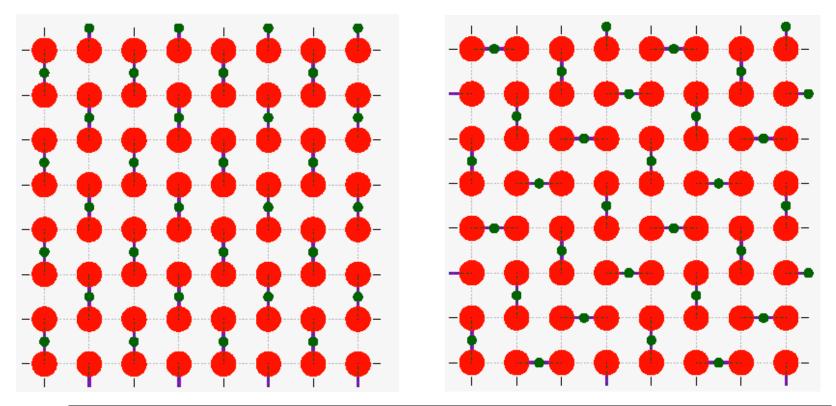


- Orbital optimization (oo) is important for matching DOCI
- Optimized orbitals become localized for large U
- Note catastrophic failure of CCD/CCSD w/ RHF orbitals

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## 2D Hubbard at half-filling

8x8 structures pCCD ground state is quasi degenerate



These two structures are degenerate at U=O and infinity. Their energy difference is maximum at U=4 but tiny. DOCI-QMC calculations (James Shepherd) confirm pCCD results.

#### How does pCCD match DOCI ?

• DOCI only has n even C<sub>n</sub> excitations:

$$C_2 = T_2, \quad C_4 = T_4 + \frac{1}{2!}T_2^2$$
  
 $C_6 = T_6 + T_4T_2 + \frac{1}{3!}T_2^3, \quad C_n = \dots$ 

• For repulsive systems, it appears that  $\Omega=0$  connected excitations higher than  $T_2$  are negligible in DOCI

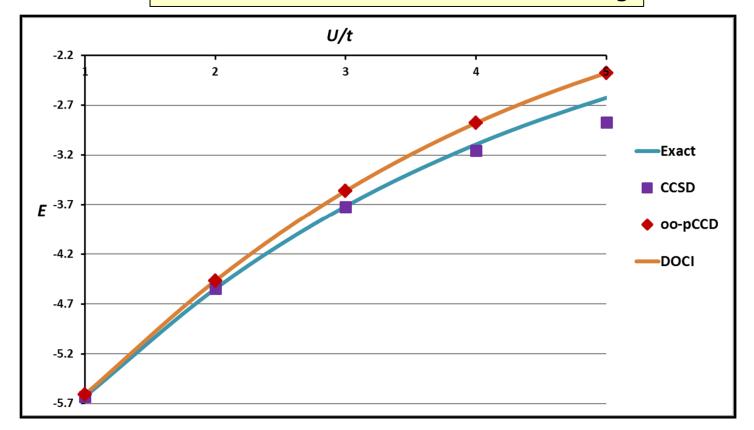
$$C_2 \sim T_2, \quad C_4 \sim \frac{1}{2!}T_2^2, \quad C_6 \sim \frac{1}{3!}T_2^3, \quad C_n \sim \frac{1}{(n/2)!}T_2^{n/2}$$

• This is not true in attractive systems:

Quasiparticle coupled cluster theory for pairing interactions, T. M. Henderson, G. E. Scuseria, J. Dukelsky, A. Signoracci, and T. Duguet, *Phys. Rev.* C 89, 054305 (2014).

### How good is oo-pCCD for weak correlation?

1D Hubbard chain; 16 sites; half-filling



Not nearly as good as CCSD. Breaking pairs is important. Ne atom: DOCI/pCCD recover ~30% of Ec

# pCCD: Lessons learned

- Pairing in an optimized particle-hole basis is good for static correlation
- In repulsive systems, DOCI, a combinatorial cost wavefunction, is exquisitely well approximated by pCCD
- pCCD = mean-field cost theory of correlated pairs
- We are missing broken-pair correlations
- How do we include these correlations?

# **Broken-pair correlations**

#### frozen-pair (fp) CCSD approach:

- Do oo-pCCD
- Freeze the pair amplitudes
- Solve for all other CCSD amplitudes.

 $\exp(T_1 + T_2) = \exp[T_1 + T_2(pairs) + T_2(broken \ pairs)]$ 

 $T_1$ : changes seniority by 2

 $T_2(pairs)$ : preserves seniority

 $T_2$ (broken pairs): changes seniority by 2 or 4

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#### Freezing & breaking ph pairs 1D Hubbard chain; 10 sites; half-filling U/t 10 0 3 6 -2 fp-CCD fp-CCSD -3 DOCI -4 Exact CCSD -5 ш -CCD -6 -7 -8 -9 -10 It does not work well in strongly correlated regime: High seniority CI coefficients are not well factorized by the exponential of $T_{2}$ (broken-pairs)

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# Lie algebraic similarity transformation theory

A novel form of CC theory

- Jastrow type correlator is written in on-site basis where ph pairs are broken
- High quality results for weak correlation
- Low computational cost

#### Lie algebraic interpretation of similarity transformations

• Traditional CC theory yields Hausdorff series that truncates:

$$\overline{H} = \mathrm{e}^{-T} H \mathrm{e}^{T} = H + [H, T] + [[H, T], T] + \dots + 0$$

- In CCD, a 2-body H is renormalized into a 6-body  $\overline{H}$
- Key concept is nilpotency of u(n) shifts  $\left(c_a^{\dagger}c_i\right)^2 = 0$
- Question: Are there any other types of similarity transformations that yield a closed formula?
- Answer: YES !
- Correlators based on Cartan generators lead to Hausdorff series that can be summed analytically.
- Key concept is idempotency of u(n) Cartans  $\left(c_p^{\dagger}c_p\right)^2 = c_p^{\dagger}c_p$

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#### Lie Algebraic Similarity Transformations

- In CC, T is non-hermitian and defined by **ph** excitations from  $|\Phi>$
- New correlator  ${\cal J}$  is hermitian and written in on-site basis
- $\mathcal{J}$  in the **ph** basis does not change seniority (not good !)
- Our goal here is:  $\overline{H} = e^{-J} H e^{J}, \quad J^{\dagger} = J, \quad E = \left\langle \Phi \mid \overline{H} \mid \Phi \right\rangle$
- Like CC, this a canonical transformation yielding a non-hermitian H
- Size extensive theory
- QMC community:  $\widetilde{H} = e^J H e^J$ , J hermitian, size extensive

Previous related work from: S. Tsuneyuki, Prog. Theor. Phys. Suppl. **176**, 134 (2008) E. Neuscamman et al., PRB **84**, 205132 (2011)

#### Lie algebraic similarity transformation theory

$$J = \sum_{ij\sigma\sigma'} \alpha_{i\sigma,j\sigma'} n_{i\sigma} n_{j\sigma'} \sim D_i, N_i N_j, S_i^z S_j^z, S_i^z N_j, N_i S_j^z$$
$$\overline{H} = e^{-J} H e^J, \qquad n_{i\sigma} = c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma}, \qquad \sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$$
$$e^{-J} c_{p\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{q\sigma} e^J = e^{-J_{p\sigma}} c_{p\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{q\sigma} e^{J_{q\sigma}}, \qquad J_{q\sigma} = \sum_r \alpha_{q\sigma,r\sigma} n_{r\sigma}$$

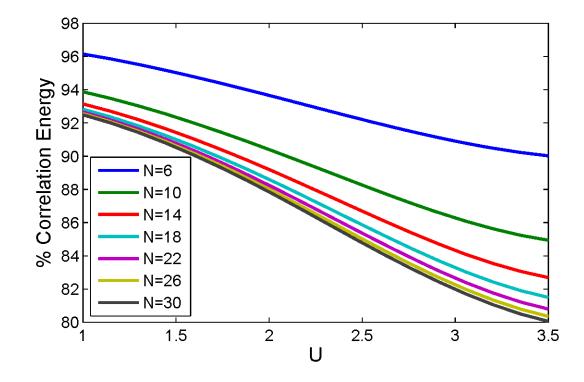
- Expansions  $n_i n_j n_k n_l \dots$  do not truncate but are resummed into orbital dependent rotations  $\mathcal{J}_{q\sigma}$
- Correlator parameters  $\alpha_{i\sigma,j\sigma'}$  are solved projectively:

$$\begin{split} & L\left(\alpha_{i\sigma,j\sigma'},\eta_{i\sigma,j\sigma'}\right) = \left\langle \Phi \left| \left(I + \tilde{J}\right) \overline{H} \right| \Phi \right\rangle - \left\langle \Phi \left| \overline{H} \right| \Phi \right\rangle \left\langle \Phi \left| \tilde{J} \right| \Phi \right\rangle \\ & \tilde{J} = \sum_{ij\sigma\sigma'} \eta_{i\sigma,j\sigma'} n_{i\sigma} n_{j\sigma'}, \qquad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_{i\sigma,j\sigma'}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \eta_{i\sigma,j\sigma'}} = 0 \end{split}$$

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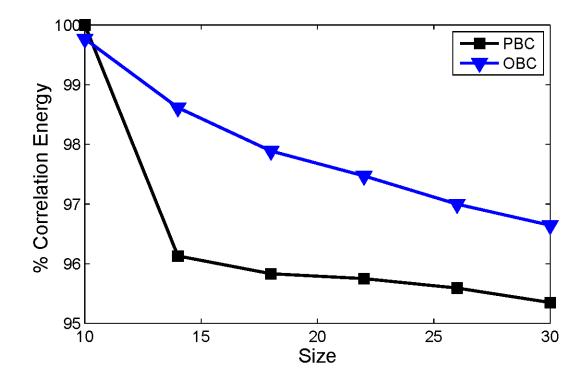
1D Hubbard chain; N=6-30; half-filling; RHF ref



Very accurate for small U. Less accurate for large U. Model recovers mostly weak/dynamical correlation.



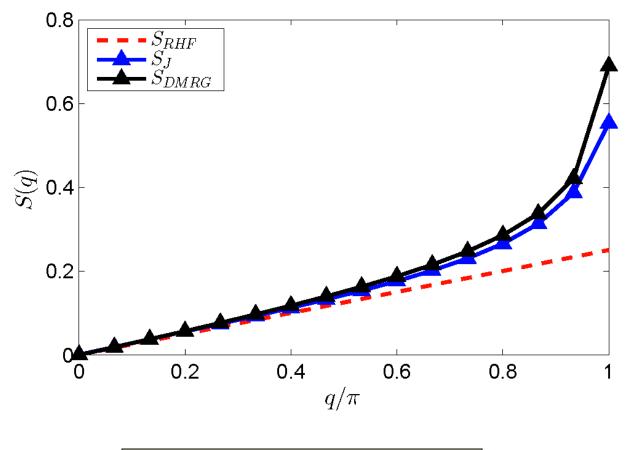
1D Hubbard chain; 8 holes; RHF reference



LAST recovers ~95% of Ec for 30 sites at 25% hole doping

# Spin-spin correlation function

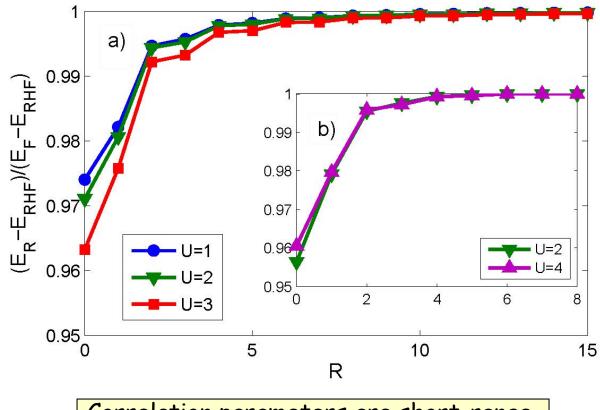
#### 1D Hubbard PBC, N=30; ½ filled; U=3; RHF ref



Good agreement with DMRG



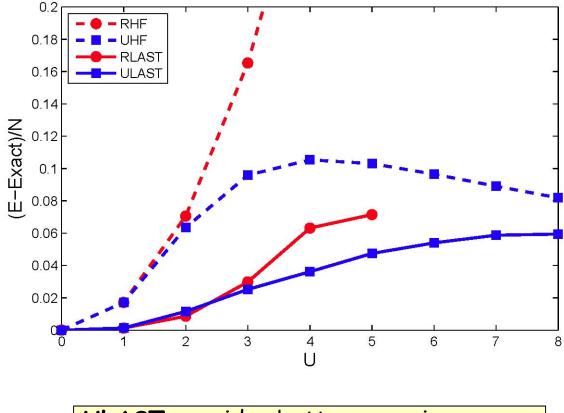




Correlation parameters are short-range

# RHF vs UHF based LAST

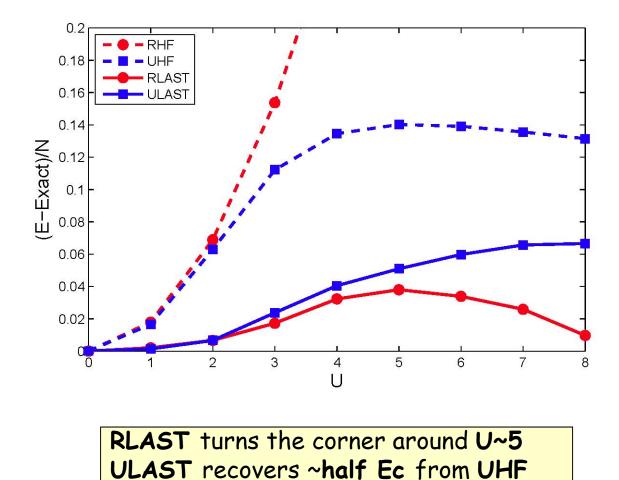
#### 1D Hubbard PBC, N=30; $\frac{1}{2}$ filled



ULAST provides better energies. RLAST stops converging past U=5.

# RHF vs UHF based LAST

#### 1D Hubbard PBC, N=30; 2 holes



### RHF vs UHF based LAST for 2D

**4x4** lattice where exact diagonalization is doable. Half-filling and two-holes.

U	N <sub>o</sub>	RHF	UHF	R-LAST	U-LAST	Exact
2	16	-1.0000	-1.0973	-1.0509	-1.1188	-1.1261
4	16	-0.5000	-0.7854	-0.6931	-0.8270	-0.8514
8	16	0.5000	-0.4619	-0.2235	-0.4873	-0.5293
2	14	-1.1172	-1.1644	-1.1634	-1.1920	-1.1982
4	14	-0.7344	-0.8808	-0.9018	-0.9595	-0.9840
8	14	0.0313	-0.5921	-0.5354	-0.6691	-0.7418

U-LAST energies are much better than R-LAST for large U. UHF itself yields good energies for large U. U-LAST develops spin contamination.

# LAST: Lessons learned

- Pairing in the onsite basis is good for dynamic correlation; correlators are short-range
- Pairing in the onsite basis corresponds to breaking particle-hole pairs of all seniorities
- LAST yields excellent results for small U but deteriorates for large U
- ULAST is better than RLAST for large U
- Can we put together pCCD & LAST ? YES



• The two theories can be married:

 $L(t, z, \alpha, \eta) = \left\langle \Phi \left| \left( I + Z + \tilde{J} \right) e^{-T} e^{-J} H e^{J} e^{T} \right| \Phi \right\rangle - \left\langle \Phi \left| e^{-T} e^{-J} H e^{J} e^{T} \right| \Phi \right\rangle \left\langle \Phi \left| \tilde{J} \right| \Phi \right\rangle \right\rangle$ 

- T: pair ph correlations (pCCD)
- J: broken pair **ph** correlations (LAST)
- Dual basis: particle-hole (T) and on-site (J)
- Each theory is **paired** in its own basis but **breaks pairs** in the other basis !

#### Gutzwiller similarity transformation

• GST is the simplest LAST form with J ~ double occupancy

$$\begin{split} H &= -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} \left( c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma} \right) + U \sum_{i} n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow} \\ J &= \alpha \sum_{i} n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}; \qquad n_{i\sigma} = c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma}; \qquad \sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow \\ e^{-J} H e^{J} &= -t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} \left( \left[ 1 + (e^{-\alpha} - 1) n_{i\sigma}^{-} \right] c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} \left[ 1 + (e^{\alpha} - 1) n_{j\sigma}^{-} \right] \right) + U \sum_{i} n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow} \end{split}$$

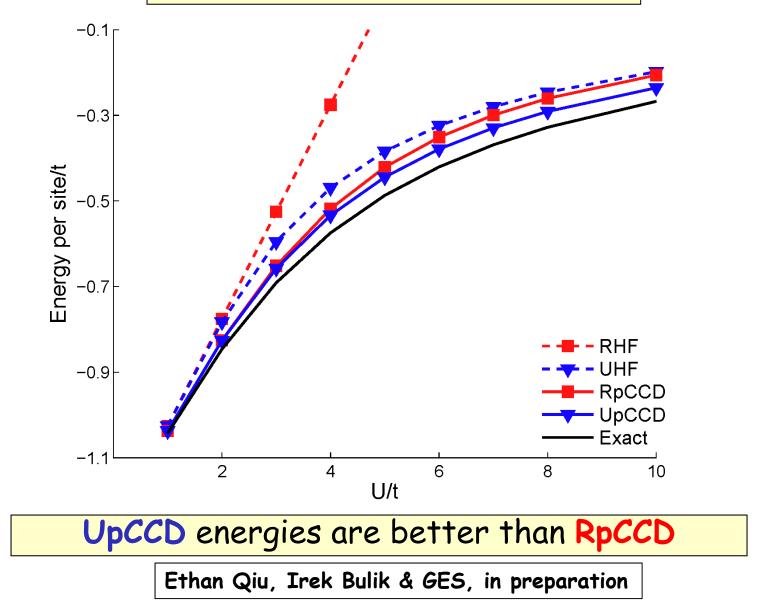
- Jastrow series expansion can be resummed into a 3-body  $\overline{H}$
- In the following, the GST 3-body Hamiltonian is reduced to rank 2 via mean-fielding over the reference determinant

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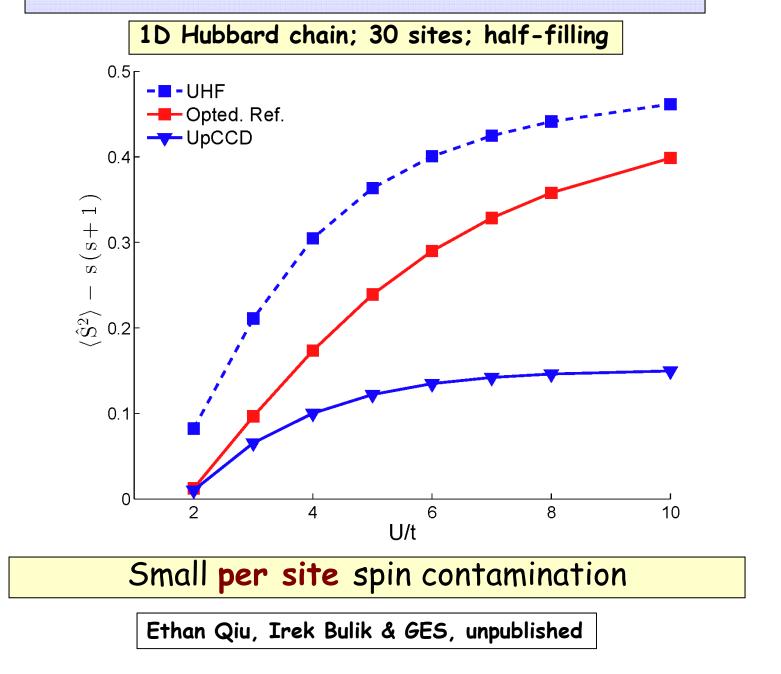
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#### Unrestricted orbital optimized pCCD

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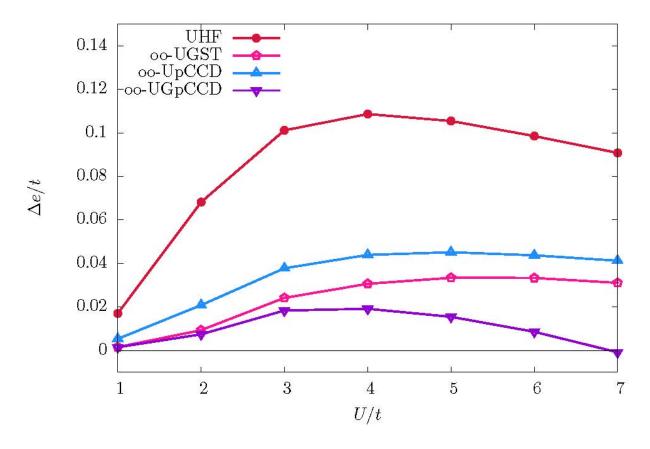


## Spin contamination in UpCCD



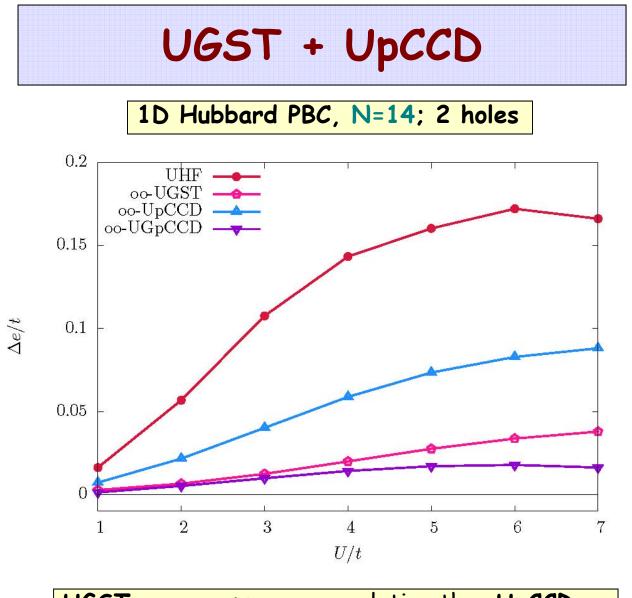
## UGST + UpCCD

#### 1D Hubbard PBC, N=14; $\frac{1}{2}$ filling



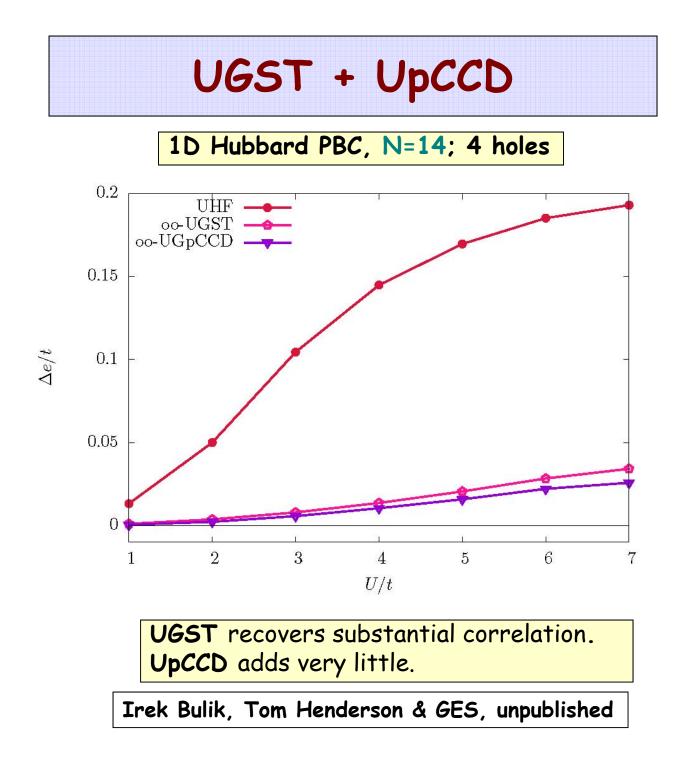
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