

**PHY 752 Solid State Physics**  
**11-11:50 AM MWF Olin 107**

**Plan for Lecture 33:**

- **The Hubbard model**
  - **Analysis of solution for a 2 site system**
  - **Hartree-Fock approximation**
  - **Extension to linear chain**

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The Hubbard Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{\langle ll' \rangle} -t \left[ \hat{c}_{l\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{l'\sigma} + \hat{c}_{l'\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{l\sigma} \right] + U \sum_l \hat{c}_{l\uparrow}^\dagger \hat{c}_{l\uparrow} \hat{c}_{l\downarrow}^\dagger \hat{c}_{l\downarrow}$$

single particle contribution      two particle contribution

$$\{c_{l\sigma}, c_{l'\sigma'}\} = 0$$

$$\{c_{l\sigma}^\dagger, c_{l'\sigma'}^\dagger\} = 0$$

$$\{c_{l\sigma}, c_{l'\sigma'}^\dagger\} = \delta_{ll'} \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$$

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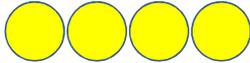
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$l = 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4$

Possible configurations on a single site

-   $|0\rangle$
-   $c_{\uparrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle$
-   $c_{\uparrow}^{\dagger}c_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle$

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Hubbard model -- continued

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{\langle l,l'\rangle} -t \left[ \hat{c}_{l\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{l'\sigma} + \hat{c}_{l'\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{l\sigma} \right] + U \sum_l \hat{c}_{l\uparrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{l\uparrow} \hat{c}_{l\downarrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{l\downarrow}$$

$t$  represents electron "hopping" between sites, preserving spin

$U$  represents electron repulsion on a single site

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Two-site Hubbard model

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^{\dagger}c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^{\dagger}c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^{\dagger}c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^{\dagger}c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow}n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow}n_{2\downarrow})$$

where

$$n_{l\sigma} \equiv c_{l\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{l\sigma}$$

Consider all possible 2 particle states with zero spin:

- $|A\rangle \equiv c_{1\uparrow}^{\dagger}c_{1\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle$
- $|B\rangle \equiv c_{2\uparrow}^{\dagger}c_{2\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle$
- $|C\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^{\dagger}c_{2\downarrow}^{\dagger} - c_{1\downarrow}^{\dagger}c_{2\uparrow}^{\dagger})|0\rangle$

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**Two-site Hubbard model**

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow}n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow}n_{2\downarrow})$$

Matrix elements of Hamiltonian for all 2 particle states with spin 0:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} U & 0 & -\sqrt{2}t \\ 0 & U & -\sqrt{2}t \\ -\sqrt{2}t & -\sqrt{2}t & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues of Hamiltonian:      Eigenvectors of the Hamiltonian:

$$E_1 = -2t \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right) \quad |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|C\rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right) (|A\rangle + |B\rangle)$$

$$E_2 = U \quad |\Psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|A\rangle - |B\rangle)$$

$$E_3 = +2t \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} + \frac{U}{4t} \right) \quad |\Psi_3\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|C\rangle - \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} + \frac{U}{4t} \right) (|A\rangle + |B\rangle)$$

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**Eigenvalues of the Hubbard model**

Eigenvalues of Hamiltonian:

$$E_1 = -2t \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right)$$

$$E_2 = U$$

$$E_3 = +2t \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} + \frac{U}{4t} \right)$$

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**Two-site Hubbard model**

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow}n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow}n_{2\downarrow})$$

**Ground state of the two-site Hubbard model**

$$E_1 = -2t \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right) \quad |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|C\rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right) (|A\rangle + |B\rangle)$$

**Single particle limit ( $U \rightarrow 0$ )**

$$E_1 = -2t \quad |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|C\rangle + \frac{1}{2}(|A\rangle + |B\rangle)$$

$$|A\rangle = c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle \quad |B\rangle = c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle \quad |C\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger - c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger)(c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle$$

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Two-site Hubbard model      Single particle limit ( $U \rightarrow 0$ )

Full spectrum for spin 0 eigenstates

$$E_1 = -2t \quad |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger)(c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle$$

$$E_2 = 0 \quad |\Psi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{4}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger)(c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger - c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle$$

$$\quad \quad \quad + \frac{1}{4}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger - c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger)(c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle$$

$$E_3 = +2t \quad |\Psi_3\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger - c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger)(c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger - c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle$$

Single particle picture:

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Two-site Hubbard model -- Hartree-Fock approximation

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow}n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow}n_{2\downarrow})$$

Wave function assumed to be product of single particle states

Zero order approximation:

Define:  $a_\sigma^\dagger \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\sigma}^\dagger + c_{2\sigma}^\dagger)$

Let  $|\Psi_1^{HF}\rangle = a_\uparrow^\dagger a_\downarrow^\dagger |0\rangle$

$$E_1^{HF} = \langle \Psi_1^{HF} | H | \Psi_1^{HF} \rangle = -2t + \frac{1}{2}U$$

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Two-site Hubbard model -- Hartree-Fock approximation

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow}n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow}n_{2\downarrow})$$

Variational search for lower energy solutions

High spin solution

Let  $|\Psi_1^{Spin}\rangle = c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$

$$E_1^{Spin} = \langle \Psi_1^{Spin} | H | \Psi_1^{Spin} \rangle = 0$$

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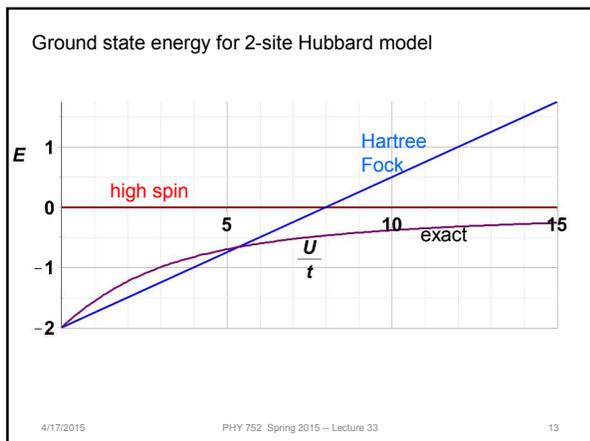
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Two-site Hubbard model -- continued

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow} n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow} n_{2\downarrow})$$

Ground state of the two-site Hubbard model

$$E_1 = -2t \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right) \quad |\Psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|C\rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{U}{4t}\right)^2} - \frac{U}{4t} \right) (|A\rangle + |B\rangle)$$

Isolated particle limit ( $t \rightarrow 0$ )

$$E_1 \approx \frac{-4t^2}{U}$$

$$|\Psi_1\rangle \approx \frac{1}{2} (c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle + \frac{t}{U} (c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle$$

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One-dimensional Hubbard chain

VOLUME 20, NUMBER 25      PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS      17 JUNE 1968

ABSENCE OF MOTT TRANSITION IN AN EXACT SOLUTION OF THE SHORT-RANGE, ONE-BAND MODEL IN ONE DIMENSION

Elliott H. Lieb\* and F. Y. Wu  
Department of Physics, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts  
(Received 22 April 1968)

The short-range, one-band model for electron correlations in a narrow energy band is solved exactly in the one-dimensional case. The ground-state energy, wave function, and the chemical potentials are obtained, and it is found that the ground state exhibits no conductor-insulator transition as the correlation strength is increased.

$$E = E(\frac{1}{2}N_\uparrow, \frac{1}{2}N_\downarrow; U)$$

$$= -4N \int_0^\infty \frac{J_0(\omega) J_1(\omega) d\omega}{\omega [1 + \exp(\frac{1}{2}\omega U)]}, \quad (20)$$

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Approximate solutions in terms of single particle states; "broken symmetry" Hartree-Fock type solutions

PHYSICAL REVIEW VOLUME 181, NUMBER 2 10 MAY 1969

Itinerant Antiferromagnetism in an Infinite Linear Chain

B. JONSSON and K.F. BRANZAN  
FOI, Fack, Stockholm, Sweden  
(Received 30 October 1968)

Overhauser's spin-density-wave state of a general pitch  $Q$  is considered for a linear chain with a half-filled band. It is found that  $Q=2\pi$  for all values of the coupling constant. Comparison is made with other Hartree-Fock states, and with a recent exact expression for the ground-state energy. The collective modes of the system are calculated numerically, and for large coupling constant they are found to behave as  $\omega(q) \sim |a|^{1/2}|q|$ .

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ITINERANT ANTIFERROMAGNETISM IN LINEAR CHAIN

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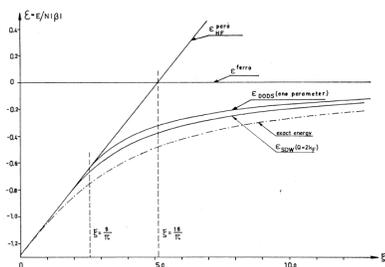


FIG. 2. Total energy per particle in units of  $|t|$  for different states and approximations as a function of  $\xi$  ( $\xi$  is put equal to zero).

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In the following slides,  $u$  represents  $U/t$ :

1d Hubbard Model

Simple Hartree Fock approximation

$$\hat{H} = - \sum_{n\sigma} (C_{n\sigma}^\dagger C_{n+1\sigma} + C_{n\sigma}^\dagger C_{n-1\sigma}) + u \sum_n N_{n\uparrow} N_{n\downarrow}. \quad (12)$$

It is convenient to represent the site basis operators  $C_{n\sigma}$  in terms of Bloch basis operators  $A_{k\sigma}$ :

$$A_{k\sigma} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_n e^{ikn} C_{n\sigma}, \quad (13)$$

where  $N$  represents the number of lattice sites. In the simple Hartree Fock approximation we assume that  $\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle = \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle = \frac{N}{2}$  so that where the wavevector  $k$  is assumed to take the values  $-k_F \leq k \leq k_F$  and the Fermi wavevector is determined from:

$$2 \sum_{-k_F \leq k \leq k_F} = N \rightarrow k_F = \frac{\pi}{2a}. \quad (14)$$

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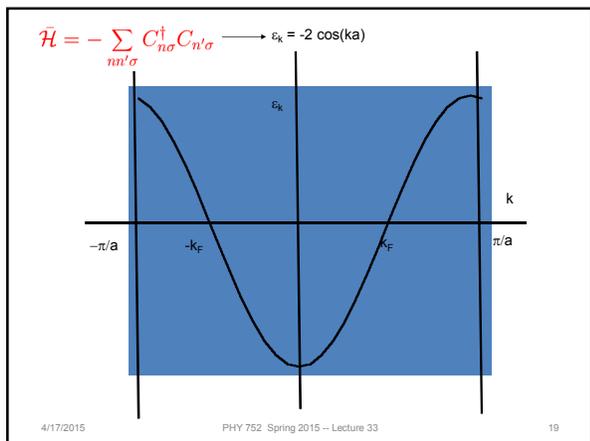
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### 1d Hubbard Model

**Simple Hartree Fock approximation (continued)**

Evaluating the ground state energy in this simple Hartree Fock approximation, we find that

$$\frac{E_{\text{HF}}}{N} = -4 \sum_{-k_F \leq k \leq k_F} \cos(ka) + u \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = -\frac{4}{\pi} + \frac{u}{4}. \quad (15)$$

**Ferromagnetic Hartree Fock approximation**

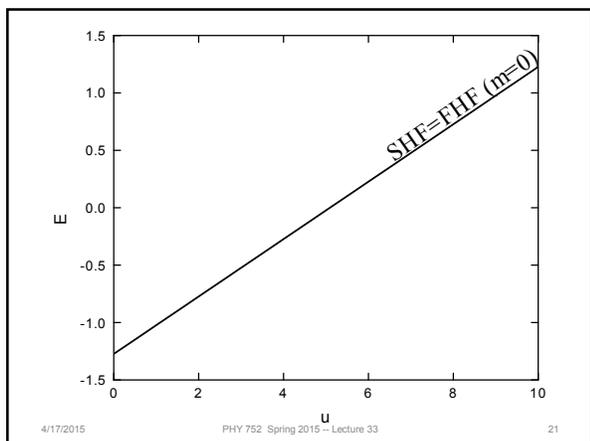
If we modify the above approach, but allow there to be a different population of up and down spin:

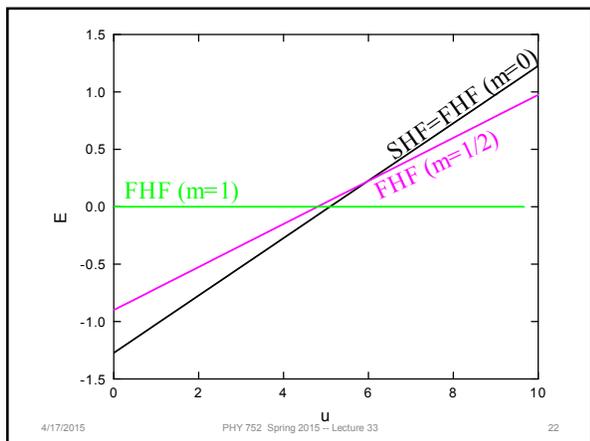
$$\frac{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle - \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle}{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle + \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle} \equiv m. \quad (16)$$

We find that the Ferromagnetic Hartree Fock ground state energy depends on the fractional magnetization  $m$  and takes the value:

$$\frac{E_{\text{FHF}}}{N} = -\frac{4}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{m\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{u}{4}(1 - m^2). \quad (17)$$

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**1d Hubbard Model**

**Antiferromagnetic Hartree Fock approximation**

Now, we allow the even sites and odd sites to have different spin magnetization: For  $n$  even:

$$\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle = \frac{1+m}{2} \quad \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle = \frac{1-m}{2} \quad (18)$$

and for  $n$  odd:

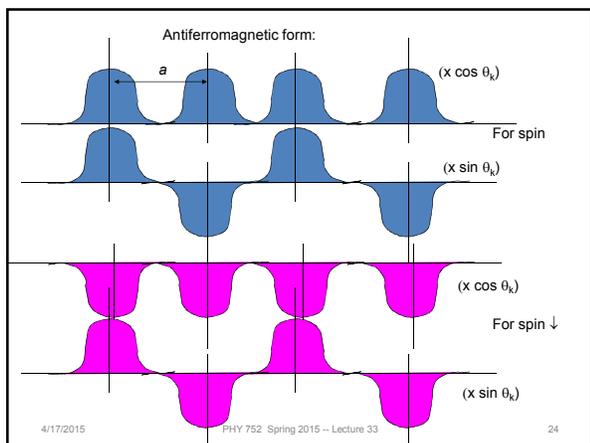
$$\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle = \frac{1-m}{2} \quad \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle = \frac{1+m}{2} \quad (19)$$

In this way, the total charge on each site is the same, but the spin magnetization changes sign. Formally, this can be achieved by defining a variational parameter  $\theta_k$  and defining spin up and spin down composite Bloch waves for the doubled unit cell:

$$D_{k\uparrow} \equiv \cos \theta_k A_{k\uparrow} + \sin \theta_k A_{k+Q\uparrow} \quad (20)$$

$$D_{k\downarrow} \equiv -\cos \theta_k A_{k\downarrow} + \sin \theta_k A_{k+Q\downarrow}, \quad (21)$$

where  $Q = \pi/a$ .



### 1d Hubbard Model

#### Antiferromagnetic Hartree Fock approximation (continued)

We can evaluate the ground state energy as a function of  $\theta_k$  and then optimize to find the lowest energy. The optimal value of  $\theta_k$  is found to be given by:

$$\tan 2\theta_k = \frac{um}{4 \cos(ka)}. \quad (22)$$

Another relation between  $m$  and  $\theta_k$  comes from the self-consistency condition:

$$\frac{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle - \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle}{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle + \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle} = m = \sum_k \sin 2\theta_k = \sum_k \frac{um/4}{\sqrt{\cos^2 ka + (um/4)^2}}, \quad (23)$$

which can be put in the form of a transcendental equation:

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{1+(um/4)^2}} K \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{1+(um/4)^2}} \right) = \frac{2\pi}{u}. \quad (24)$$

For each  $u$ , the transcendental equation can be solved for  $m$ .

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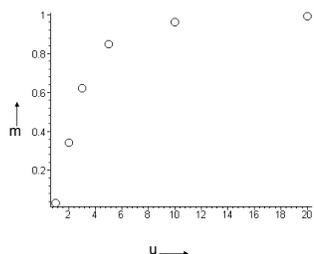
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Solutions to AHF equation  
for spin magnetization  $m$  as a function of  $u$



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### 1d Hubbard Model

#### Antiferromagnetic Hartree Fock approximation (continued)

The above results then give the calculated ground state energy in the antiferromagnetic Hartree Fock approximation:

$$\frac{E_{\text{AHF}}}{N} = -\frac{4}{\pi} \sqrt{1+(um/4)^2} E \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{1+(um/4)^2}} \right) + \frac{u}{4} (1+m^2). \quad (25)$$

#### Spin density wave Hartree Fock approximation

An alternative composite Bloch wave can be defined:

$$S_{k\uparrow} \equiv \cos \theta_k A_{k\uparrow} + \sin \theta_k A_{k+Q\downarrow}. \quad (26)$$

This mixes up and down spin contributions of the Bloch waves and can be shown to have the same ground state energy as that of the antiferromagnetic Hartree Fock solution.

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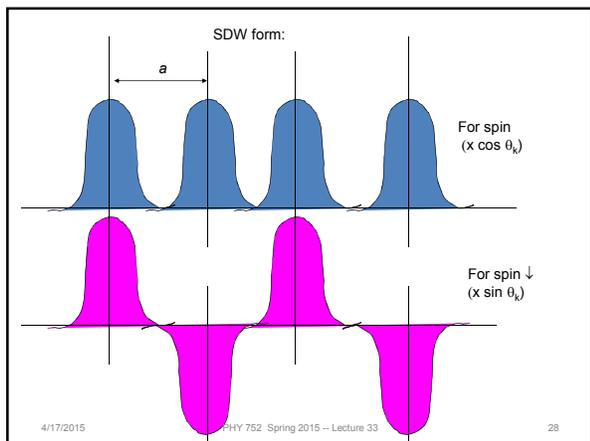
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### 1d Hubbard Model

**Spin density wave Hartree Fock approximation (continued)**

However, in this case,

$$\frac{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle - \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle}{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle + \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle} = 0. \quad (27)$$

The interpretation of Johansson and Berggren is in terms of spin expectation values. For the antiferromagnetic case,

$$\frac{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle - \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle}{\langle N_{n\uparrow} \rangle + \langle N_{n\downarrow} \rangle} = \left\langle \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) \right\rangle = \langle \sigma_z \rangle = \pm m. \quad (28)$$

In a similar way, one can show that for the spin density wave case,

$$\left\langle \left( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \right\rangle = \langle \sigma_x \rangle = \pm m. \quad (29)$$

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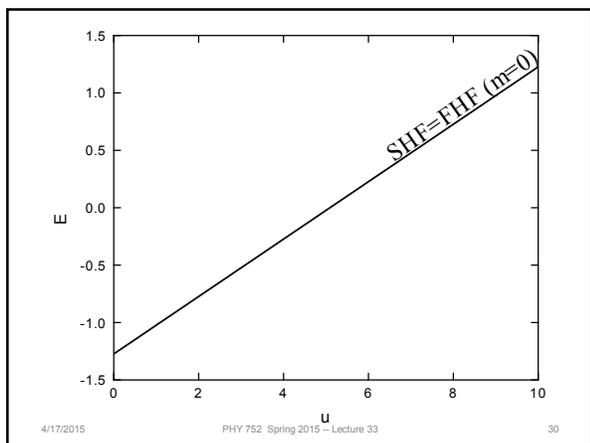
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