

Oscillating autocorrelation and the HMC algorithm

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Motivation: fluctuation of correlators

Algorithm:

1. remove τ average and IR filter

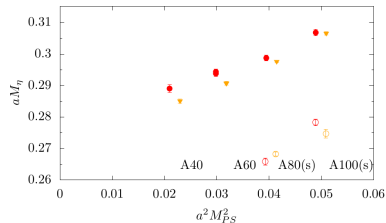
$$c_\lambda(t, \tau) \equiv \sum_{\tau'=1}^N [c(t, \tau') - \langle c \rangle_\tau(t)] \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\lambda^2}} e^{-\frac{(\tau-\tau')^2}{2\lambda^2}}$$

2. normalise each time slice, respectively

$$\bar{c}(t, \tau) \equiv \frac{c_\lambda(t, \tau) - \langle c_\lambda \rangle_\tau(t)}{\sigma_\tau[c](t)}$$

3. remove all t means, respectively

$$\bar{\bar{c}}_\lambda(t, \tau) \equiv \bar{c}_\lambda(t, \tau) - \langle \bar{c}_\lambda \rangle_t(\tau)$$



t-shift first: $c(t) \rightarrow c(t+1) - c(t)$

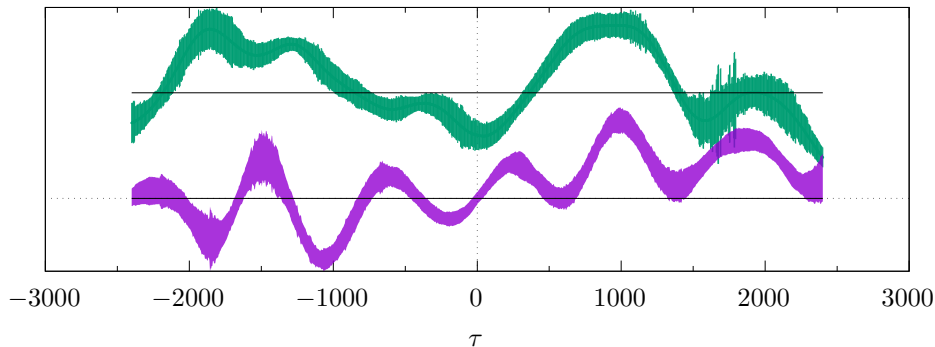
remove excited states first via cosh fit

Meta correlation

The fluctuation fields $\bar{c}(\tau, t)$ & $\bar{\bar{c}}(\tau, t)$ are t -isotropic and one may study their autocorrelations

- ▶ generalised 2d-correlation: $\Gamma[c_a, c_b](\Delta\tau, t)$
- ▶ standard AC for time slice t : $\Gamma_t[c_a, c_b](\Delta\tau)$
- ▶ and the t -averaged AC: $\langle \Gamma_t[c_a, c_b] \rangle_t(\Delta\tau)$

for fields $c_a = \bar{c}[\eta_l^{\text{connected}}]$ and the topology correlator $c[qq_{10}]$ with $q \propto \text{tr}[F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}]$, $N_{\text{HYP}} = 10$.



Oscillating autocorrelation

Challenge:

Complex and/or hard to estimate autocorrelation $\Gamma(\tau)$

Prime examples:

- ▶ long AC with noisy tail
 - prevents precise estimation of the integrated AC time τ_{int} .
 - and variance estimation $\sigma^2 = 2\tau_{\text{int}}\Gamma(0)/N$
- ▶ non-stationary stochastic process: dependence on iteration number τ
 $\Gamma(\Delta\tau) := \langle \hat{o}(0)\hat{o}(\Delta\tau) \rangle_{\text{independent runs}} \neq \langle \hat{o}(\tau)\hat{o}(\Delta\tau + \tau) \rangle_{\text{independent runs}}$ for $\tau > 0$

[Wolff:2003sm]

Madras-Sokal formula

expected variance of the normalised AC $\rho(\tau) \equiv \Gamma(\tau)/\Gamma(0)$:

[Luscher:2004pav]

$$\langle \delta\rho^2(\tau) \rangle \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{ \rho(k+\tau) + \rho(k-\tau) - 2\rho(k)\rho(\tau) \}$$

is not valid for non-stationary stochastic processes!

An effective number of independent DOF

Idea 1: entropy \mathcal{H} of a distribution is a measure for the amount of contained information:

$$N_{\text{eff}}[c] \propto \mathcal{H}[p[c_a](t, \tau)]$$

Idea 2: Interested in the ratio given by the entropy of the autocorrelated distribution $\mathcal{H}[\text{Corr}]$ divided by $\mathcal{H}[\text{diag}(\text{Corr})]$. Advantages:

- No normalisation needed: don't care about units of information (bits, nats)

It can be shown, that the Shannon entropy $\mathcal{H}[p(x)] \equiv - \int_x p(x) \log p(x) dx$ for multiple (n) normal p -distributions with correlation Corr :

$$\mathcal{H}[c] = \log \left(\sqrt{2\pi} \det(\text{Corr}) \right) + n/2$$

$$N_{\text{eff}}[c] \equiv \frac{\mathcal{H}[p, \text{Corr}]}{\mathcal{H}[p, \mathbb{1}]} = \frac{\log \left(\sqrt{2\pi \det^2(\text{Corr})} \right) + N_{\text{conf}}/2}{\log \left(\sqrt{(2\pi \sigma_f^2)^{N_{\text{conf}}}} \right) + N_{\text{conf}}/2}$$

Entropy of continuous distributions

$$\mathcal{H}(p) \equiv - \sum_x p(x) \log p(x) \rightarrow - \int p(x) \log p(x) dx$$

Naive generalisation of discrete \mathcal{H} for continuous p distributions is flawed:

- ▶ if p is approximated by a histogram h with n_{classes}
→ \mathcal{H} strongly depends on n_{classes}
- ▶ consider a simple rectangular probability distribution, represented by:

$$h_1(c) = 1 \text{ with } n_{\text{classes}} = 1 \quad \& \quad h_2(c) = 1/2 \text{ with } n_{\text{classes}} = 2$$
$$\rightarrow \mathcal{H}[h_1] = 0 \neq \mathcal{H}[h_2] = \log 2$$

- ▶ naive definition widely in use: $\mathcal{H}[\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)] = \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) + \frac{1}{2}$
... $\mathcal{H}[\mathcal{N}]$ becomes negative $\Leftrightarrow \sigma^2 < 1/2\pi e$

Limiting density:

$$\mathcal{H} \equiv - \int_x p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{m(x)} dx, \quad m(x) \text{ uniform distribution: "resolution"}$$

[Jaynes:1963]

Determining the resolution $m(x)$

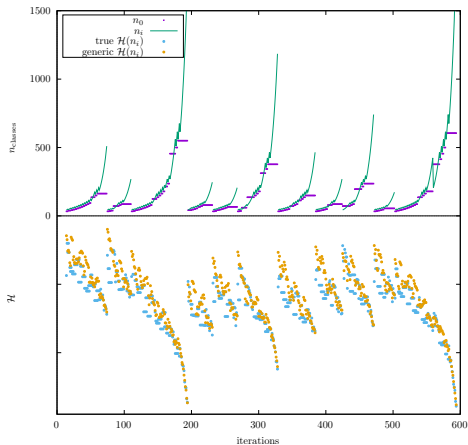
The resolution has a large impact on the amount of information needed to store an invent drawn from $p(x) \rightarrow$ Need to compute the resolution for each element of $\text{Corr}(\tau, t)$:

Idea: increasing the resolution $m = n_{\text{classes}}^{-1}$ of a histogram h increases $\mathcal{H}[h]$ slower if there is more than uniform noise.

Algorithm:

input: list L of data pts

1. generate histogram $h[L]$, $n_{\text{classes}} = n_0$
2. draw N_{samples} lists G_s of length(L) $\sim h[L]$
3. $n_i := n_0$, iterate:
 - at resolution $n_{\text{classes}} := n_i$ generate
 - ▶ generic histogram samples $h_s[G_s]$
 - ▶ the true histogram $h_{\text{True}}[L]$
 - ▶ if $\langle \mathcal{H}[h_s] \rangle_s - \mathcal{H}[h_{\text{True}}] > \sigma_c$
 \rightarrow
 $n_0 := n_i$, go to **1.**
 - ▶ increase $n_i := \max(1.1n_i, n_i + 1)$



Gives lower boundary of m .

Toeplitz matrix

Main task is the computation of the determinant of the $N_{\text{conf}} \times N_{\text{conf}}$ autocorrelation matrix $Corr$:

$$Corr(\tau_1, \tau_2) \equiv \sqrt{\Gamma_a(|\tau_1 - \tau_2|) * \Gamma_b(|\tau_1 - \tau_2|)} \quad \text{for correlators } a, b$$

→ simple structure: constant diagonals!

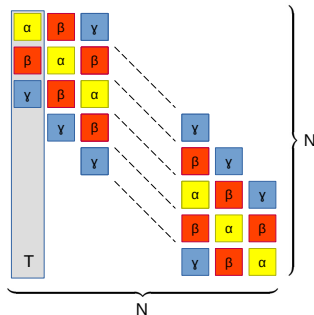
- ▶ so called “Toeplitz matrix”
- ▶ characterized by a N_{conf} vector T
- ▶ computation of is not trivial!
- ▶ error of the AC: repeated for each point τ

Algorithm:

“A fast elementary algorithm for computing the determinant of toeplitz matrices”

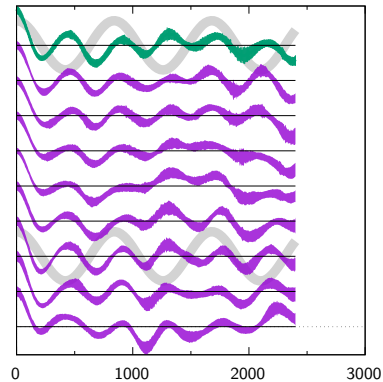
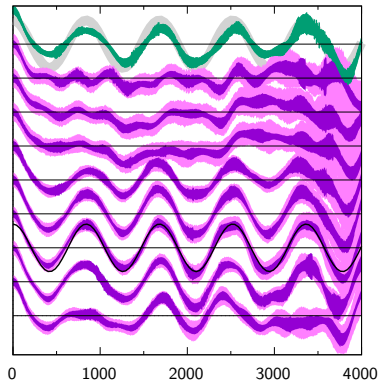
[Cinkir:2011]

- ▶ complexity $\mathcal{O}((N_{\text{cut-off}} - 1)^3 \cdot \log(N))$
- ▶ $N_{\text{cut-off}} \approx \frac{1}{2} N_{\text{conf}} \leftarrow$ AC oscillations
 $N_{\text{cut-off}} \ll N_{\text{conf}}$ may even result in $\det(Corr) < 0$!
- ▶ was generalized for block toeplitz matrices



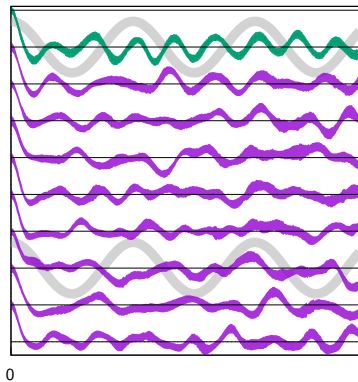
Result1: Oscillating autocorrelation

Example1: AC of connected η_{I} (LHS) and η_{S} correlators (RHS) for $\lambda = 68$

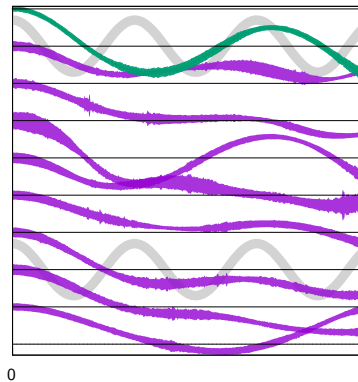


Result1: Oscillating autocorrelation

Example2: topological charge q via an improved version of $\text{tr}[F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}]$ with $N_{\text{HYP}} = 10$ smearing steps.



$\lambda = 36$



$\lambda = 304$

Amplitudes:

How much of the signal is left?

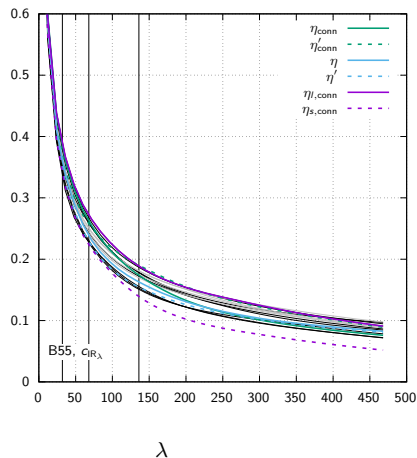
- define relative amplitude via the sd ratio of fields c_λ & $c_{\lambda=0}$:

$$A_\lambda \equiv \sigma_{t,\tau} [c_\lambda(t, \tau) / \sigma_\tau [c_{\lambda=0}](t)]$$

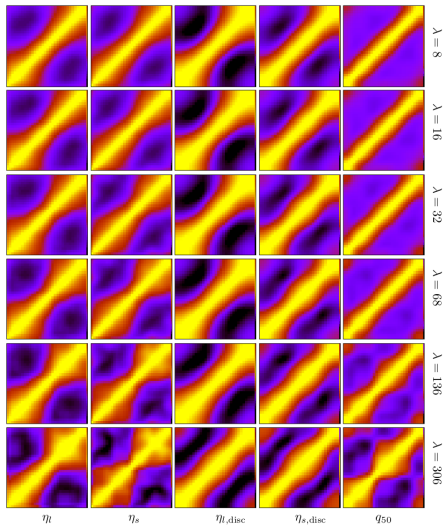
→ between 20% and 40% left after IR-filtering

- smoothing introduces AC such that N/λ configurations remain independent
 - fraction $O(1/\lambda)$ of the original information
 - neglecting the (small) AC of the UV-contributions

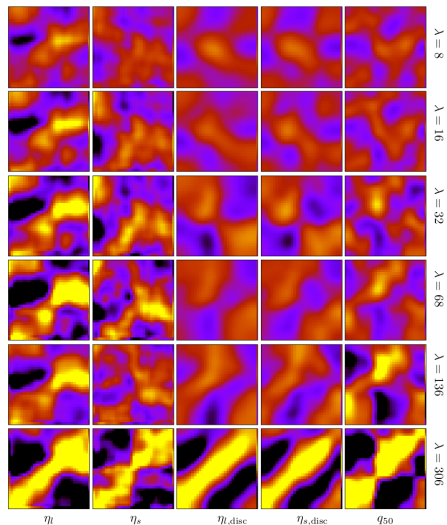
The latter effect should be dominant and explains why observables usually don't show oscillations.



Result2: coupling to (space)-time modes

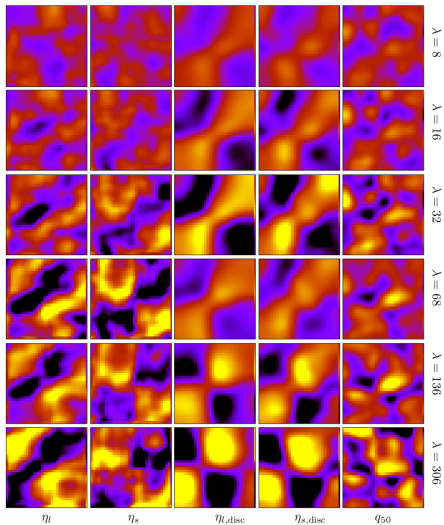


$\Delta\tau = 0$

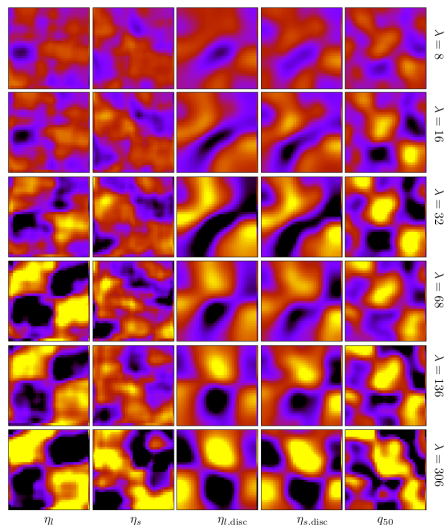


$\Delta\tau = 99$

Result2: coupling to (space)-time modes



$\Delta\tau = 540$



$\Delta\tau = 650$

HMC, a 5D-theory

The Hamiltonian used for Molecular Dynamics part of the HMC introduces canonical momenta P for the fields U and essentially defines a 5d-theory.

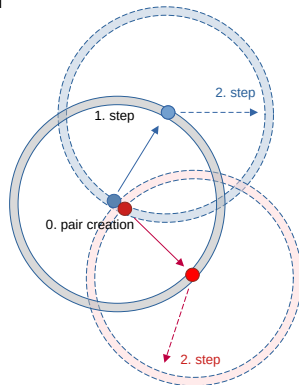
The momenta are defined by the choice of the kinetic term in H_{MD} and the Hamiltonian EOM.

$$H_{\text{MD}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} P_{x,\mu}^2 + S_G[U] + S_{\text{PF}}[U, \phi, \phi^\dagger]$$

- ▶ AC oscillations originate from 5d-theory.
- ▶ theory includes QCD \rightarrow potentially complex
- ▶ similar modes seen with Fourier Acceleration **[Sheta:2021hsd]**:
 - ▶ bco weak coupling limit & landau gauge fixing?
 - ▶ fields decouple & perform simple harmonic motions
 - ▶ showed oscillations for vec potentials A_μ
- ▶ not weakly coupled, here.

Randomization of momenta $P_{x,\mu} \propto e^{-P^2/2}$ at the beginning of each trajectory shall ensure ergodicity \rightarrow identify bypass?






1. 2nd law of thermodynamics introduces arrow of time, nevertheless.
2. fixed trajectory length: system left in equivalent dynamical states
 \w lots of potential energy V & $\text{grad} V \neq 0$ @end of trajectory ...



measure for pair annihilation after 2 updates
 \ll other configuration space

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See [\[Sheta:2021hsd\]](#) for related observations from Fourier Acceleration.

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