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Lecture 13

Today:

↳ Neural Quantum States.

↳ Metropolis-Hastings sampling.

↳ Recurrent Neural Network Wavefunctions
(RNN)

Last time:

(Variational Monte Carlo (VMC))

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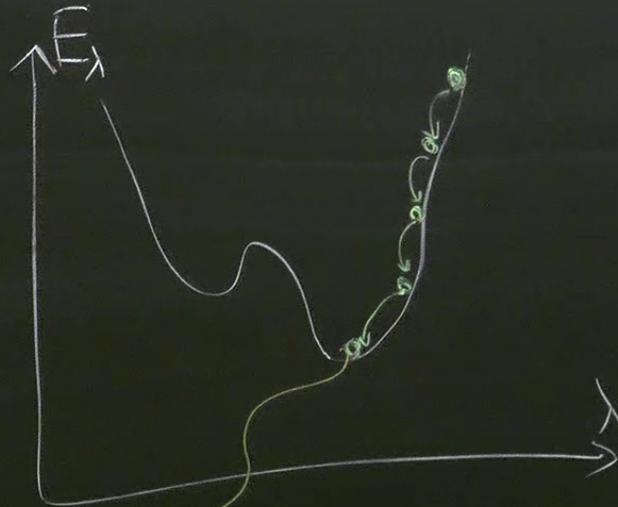
Annotations:
- Ansatz ψ_λ
- Variational energy E_λ
- Ground State energy of \hat{H} E_G

$$E_\lambda = \sum_{\vec{\sigma}} \frac{|\psi_\lambda(\vec{\sigma})|^2}{\langle \psi_\lambda | \psi_\lambda \rangle} E_{loc}(\vec{\sigma})$$

Annotations:
- Local energies $E_{loc}(\vec{\sigma})$

Importance Sampling

$$E_\lambda \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M E_{loc}(\vec{\sigma}_i)$$



$$\lambda \leftarrow \lambda - \eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial \lambda}$$

(Gradient descent)

$$|\psi_{\lambda^*}\rangle \approx |\psi_G\rangle$$

$$E_{\lambda^*} \approx E_G$$

(RNN)

Metropolis-Hastings Sampling:

$$\vec{J} \sim \frac{|\psi_x(\vec{J})|^2}{\langle \psi_x | \psi_x \rangle}$$

amplitude $\rightarrow E_x \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M E_{x(i)}$ (bc)



Number of spins

Number of samples

$$A(\vec{\sigma}^{(i)} \rightarrow \vec{\sigma}^{(i+1)}) = \min \left(1, \frac{|\Psi_x(\vec{\sigma}^{(i+1)})|^2}{|\Psi_x(\vec{\sigma}^{(i)})|^2} \right)$$

Normalization is not important

Take samples $\int \vec{\sigma}^{(i \times N)} \prod_{j=1}^M$

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Ground State energy of \hat{H}

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Local energies

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Number of spins

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Based on Giuseppe Carleo Tutorials. Edited by Mohamed Hibat-Allah.

```
[4]: from optimization import *
```

Hamiltonian of the Hydrogen Atom

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{l(l+1)}{2r^2} - \frac{1}{r}$$

We consider $n = 0$ (principal quantum number), $l = 0$ (angular momentum) to get the ground state. Physical constants are absorbed in r .

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1. Define the variational wave function (ansatz)

$r=0$ should not exist at nucleus

$\psi(r)$

r^2

$\exp(-\frac{1}{2}r)$

R Typical radius of atom

Ansatz should decay exponentially

r

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```
[5]: psi_ansatz=State([8.1, 6.2]) #Define the variational wavefunction
```

2. Running the optimization with gradient descent

$$\min_{\lambda} E_{\lambda} \rightsquigarrow \lambda \longrightarrow \lambda + \underbrace{(-\epsilon \partial_{\lambda} E_{\lambda})}_{\delta \lambda}$$

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[9]: `run_optimization(psi_ansatz, epsilon=0.4)`

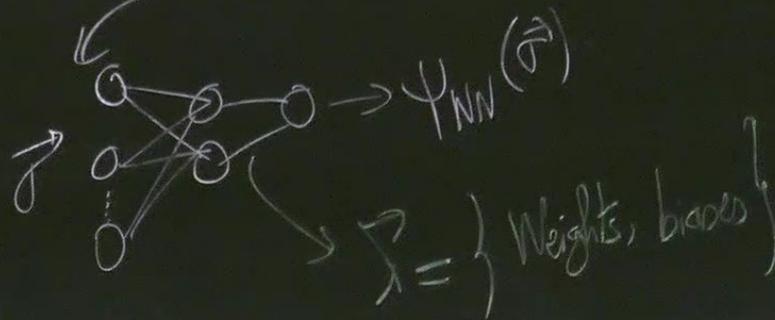
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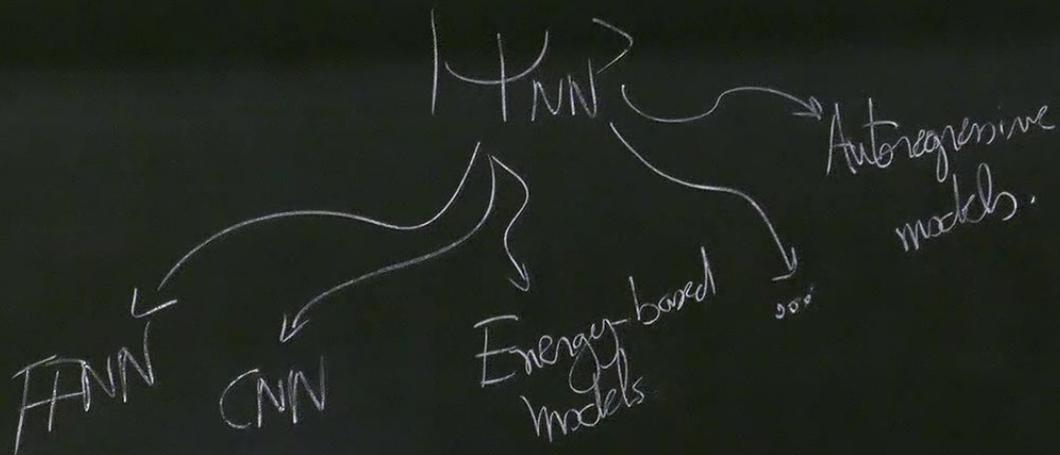
----- Exact energy = -0.5
-•- Variational energy

step 2000
lambda1 = 1.0000000000000004, lambda2 = 1.0000000000000004
energy = -0.5

Neural Quantum States

$$|\Psi_{NN}\rangle = \sum_{\vec{\sigma}} \underbrace{\Psi_{NN}(\vec{\sigma})}_{\text{NN}} |\vec{\sigma}\rangle$$





Variational principle is stat mechanics

$$F_p = \langle \hat{H} \rangle_p - T S_p$$

$$\langle \hat{H} \rangle_p = \sum_{\vec{\sigma}} P(\vec{\sigma}) E(\vec{\sigma})$$

$$S_p = \sum_{\vec{\sigma}} -P(\vec{\sigma}) \log(P(\vec{\sigma})) = \langle -\log(P(\vec{\sigma})) \rangle_p$$

→ Take samples $\{ \sigma_i^{(1:N)} \}_{i=1}^M$

$\forall P, F_P \geq F_{P_T}$ Boltzmann prob. $\frac{1}{T}$

Use $P = \underline{P}_\lambda$

$$P_T(\vec{\sigma}) = \frac{\exp(-\beta E(\vec{\sigma}))}{\sum_{\vec{\sigma}} \exp(-\beta E(\vec{\sigma}))}$$

$$F_\lambda = \langle H \rangle_{P_\lambda} + T \langle \log(P_\lambda(\vec{\sigma})) \rangle_{P_\lambda(\vec{\sigma})}$$

Variational free energy (Cost function).

$\approx P_T$ (near convergence)

all terms $(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_N)$

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```
[ ] 2 # We impose to have a fixed total magnetization of zero
3 hi = nk.hilbert.Spin(s=0.5, total_sz=0, N=g.n_nodes)
```

The final element of the triptych is of course the Hamiltonian acting in this Hilbert space, which in our case is already defined in NetKet. Note that the NetKet Hamiltonian uses Pauli Matrices (if you prefer to work with spin-1/2 operators, it's pretty trivial to define your own custom Hamiltonian, as covered in another tutorial)

```
[x] 1 # calling the Heisenberg Hamiltonian
2 ha = nk.operator.Heisenberg(hilbert=hi, graph=g)
```

2. Exact Diagonalization (as a testbed)

Just as a matter of future comparison, let's compute the exact ground-state energy (since this is still possible for $L = 22$ using brute-force exact diagonalization). NetKet provides wrappers to the Lanczos algorithm which we now use:

```
[ ] 1 # compute the ground-state energy (here we only need the lowest energy, and do not need the eigenstate)
2 # evals = nk.exact.lanczos_ed(ha, compute_eigenvectors=False)
3 # exact_gs_energy = evals[0]
4 # print('The exact ground-state energy is E0=', exact_gs_energy)
5
6 # Just in case you can't do this calculation, here is the result
7 exact_gs_energy = -39.14752260706246
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3. The Jastrow ansatz

Let's start with a simple ansatz for the ground-state: the Jastrow Ansatz.

$$\log \psi(\sigma) = \sum_i a_i \sigma_i + \sum_{i,j} \sigma_i J_{i,j} \sigma_j$$

To show how it's done, we write this simple ansatz as a `flax.linen` module. We import this module and call it `nn`, as it is customary in all Flax documentation.

You should define a function in the module called `__call__` and decorated with `@nn.compact`. This function is responsible for defining the flow of your model, that is, to evaluate the module for a batch of inputs.

Parameters in the module are specified by calling `self.param(parameter_name, initializer, shape, dtype)`. The first argument is an arbitrary string, the second should be an initializer from `nn.initializers` and the other two are shape and dtype of that parameter.

As the module should work with batches of inputs (therefore the input will be a 2d matrix with shape `(N_inputs, N_sites)`), but we are lazy and find it easier to define the function for a single input `σ` a 1D vector of shape `(N_sites)`. Therefore, we write a function called

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Well that's not too bad for a simple ansatz. But we can do better, can't we?

3. Learning with a Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM)

We will now consider another celebrated ansatz, the Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM). It simply consists of two layers: a visible one representing the L spin 1/2 degrees of freedom, and an hidden one which contains a different number M of hidden units. There are connections between all visible and hidden nodes. The ansatz is the [following](#)

$$\Psi_{\text{RBM}}(\sigma_1^z, \sigma_2^z, \dots, \sigma_L^z) = \exp(\sum_{i=1}^L a_i \sigma_i^z) \prod_{i=1}^M \cosh(b_i + \sum_j W_{ij} \sigma_j^z)$$

a_i (resp. b_i) are the visible (resp. hidden) bias. Together with the weights W_{ij} , they are variational parameters that we (or rather NetKet) will optimize to minimize the energy. NetKet gives you the control on the important parameters in this ansatz, such as M and the fact that you want to use or not the biases. The full explanation is [here](#).

More conveniently (especially if you want to try another L in this tutorial), let's define the hidden unit density $\alpha = M/L$, and invoke the RBM ansatz in NetKet with as many hidden as visible units.

```
[ ] 1 # RBM ansatz with alpha=1
     2 ma = nk.models.RBM(alpha=1)
```

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```
4 # Extract the relevant information
5 iters_RBM = data["Energy"]["iters"]
6 energy_RBM = data["Energy"]["Mean"]
7
8 fig, ax1 = plt.subplots()
9 ax1.plot(iters_Jastrow, energy_Jastrow, color='C8', label='Energy (Jastrow)')
10 ax1.plot(iters_RBM, energy_RBM, color='red', label='Energy (RBM)')
11 ax1.set_ylabel('Energy')
12 ax1.set_xlabel('Iteration')
13 plt.axis([0, iters_RBM[-1], exact_gs_energy-0.03, exact_gs_energy+0.2])
14 plt.axhline(y=exact_gs_energy, xmin=0,
15             xmax=iters_RBM[-1], linewidth=2, color='k', label='Exact')
16 ax1.legend()
17 plt.show()
```

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Energy

Energy (Jastrow)
Energy (RBM)
Exact

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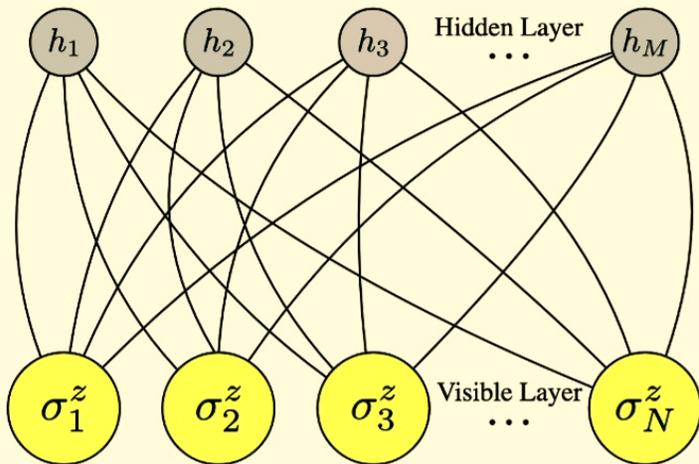
Energy

Energy (Jastrow)
Energy (RBM)
Energy (Symmetric RBM)
Exact

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Neural Quantum States



Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM)

$$\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2 \dots \mathcal{S}_N)$$

$$\Psi_M(\mathcal{S}; \mathcal{W}) = \sum_{\{h_i\}} e^{\sum_j a_j \sigma_j^z + \sum_i b_i h_i + \sum_{ij} W_{ij} h_i \sigma_j^z}$$

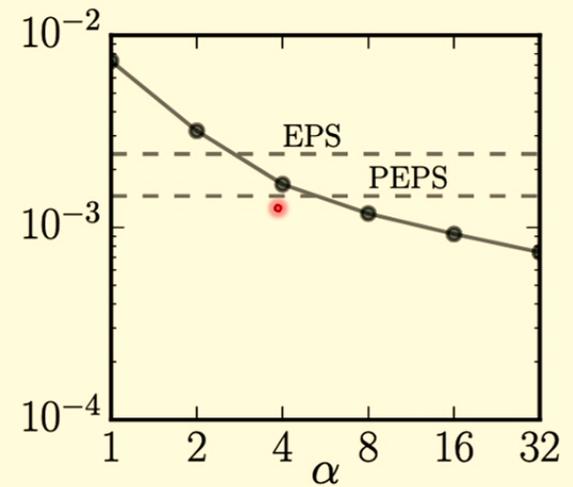
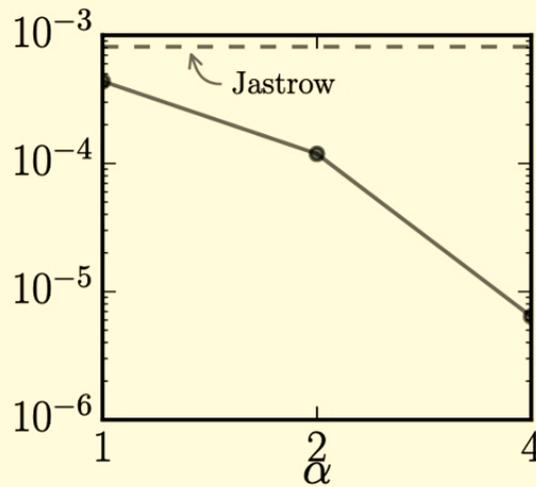
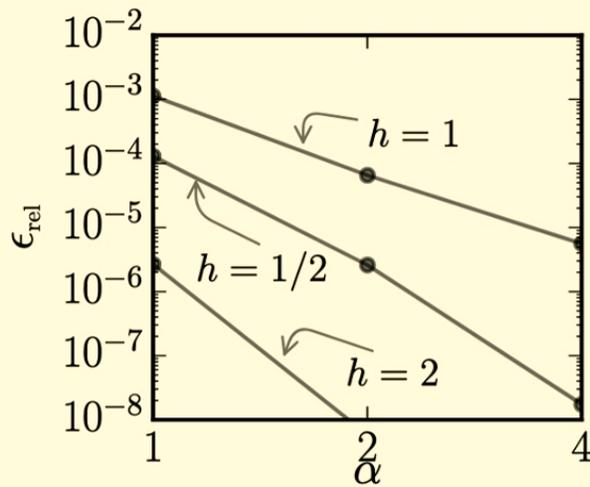
$$\Psi(\mathcal{S}; \mathcal{W}) = e^{\sum_i a_i \sigma_i^z} \times \prod_{i=1}^M F_i(\mathcal{S})$$

$$F_i(\mathcal{S}) = 2 \cosh \left[b_i + \sum_j W_{ij} \sigma_j^z \right]$$

Carleo, Troyer, Science, 2017.

Ground States

$$\alpha = M/N$$



$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{TFI}} = -h \sum_i \sigma_i^x - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

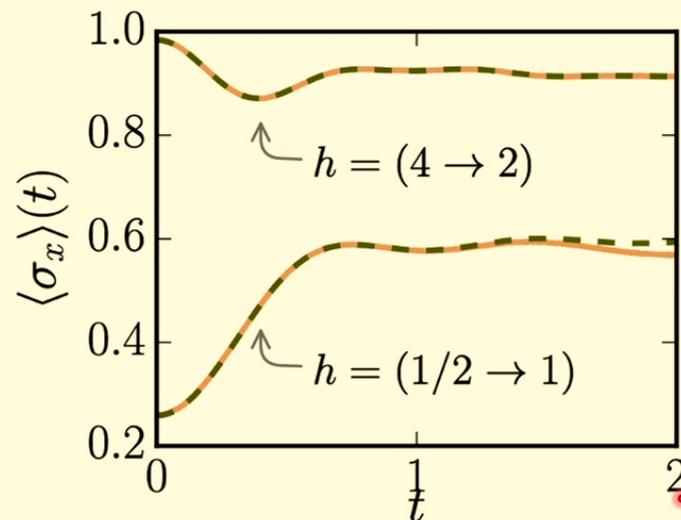
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{AFH}} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_j^y + \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

Carleo, Troyer, Science, 2017.

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Time evolution

$$R(t; \dot{\mathcal{W}}(t)) = \text{dist}(\partial_t \Psi(\mathcal{W}(t)), -i\mathcal{H}\Psi)$$

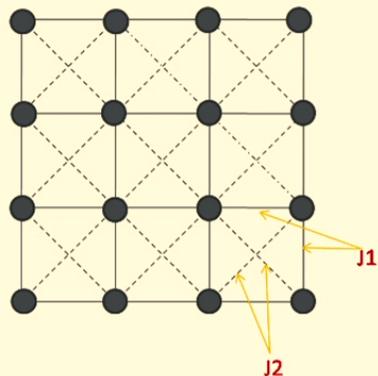
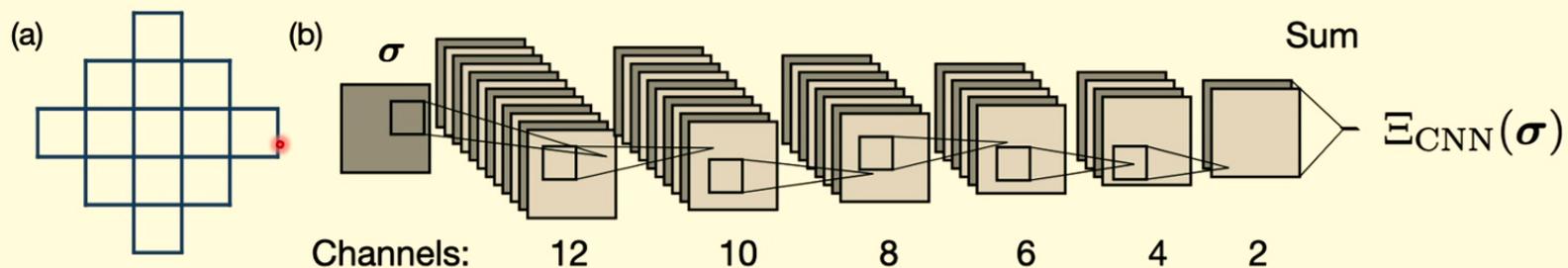


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Carleo, Troyer, Science, 2017.

Neural Quantum States

Convolutional Neural Network Quantum States

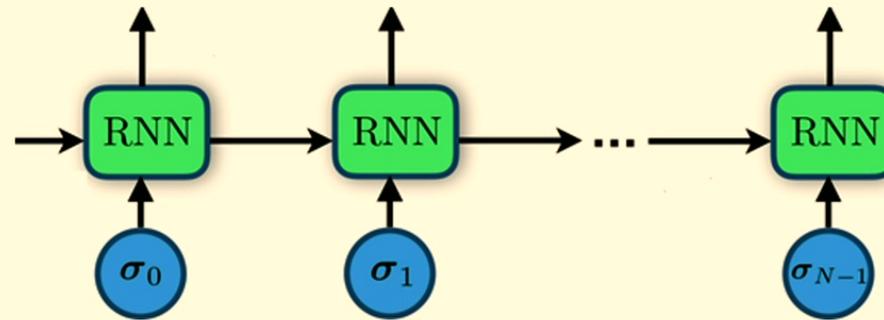


$$\hat{H} = J_1 \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j + J_2 \sum_{\langle\langle ij \rangle\rangle} \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j$$

Choo, Neupert, Carleo, PRB, 2019.

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Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)



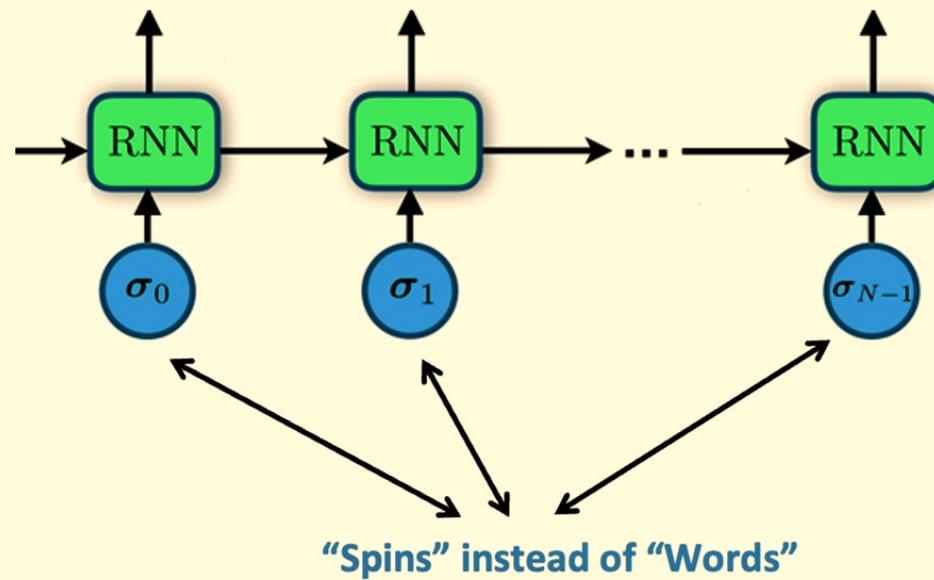
Very powerful at generating sequential data:

- Speech recognition, machine translation,...

An RNN is a Universal Turing Machine: can be seen as a general-purpose computer that can perform any classical computation.

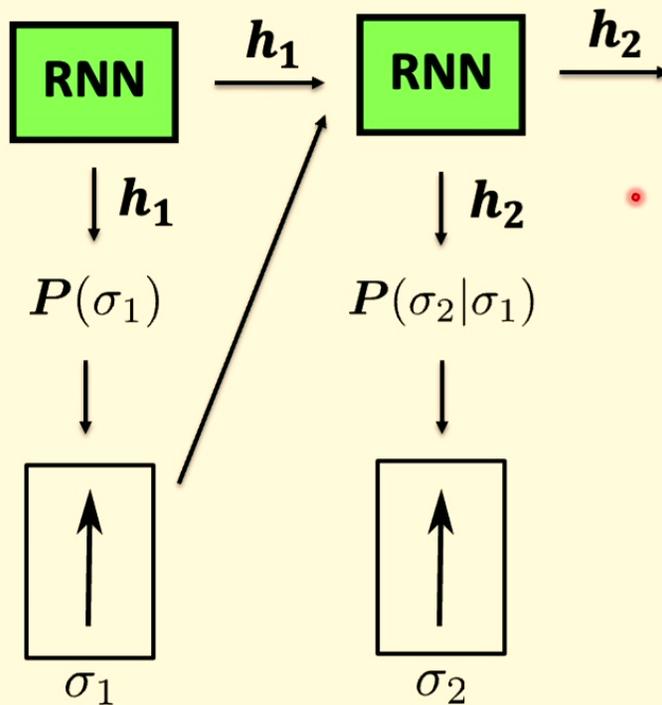
Siegelmann and Sontag, ACM, 1982
Chung and Siegelmann, NeurIPS 2021

RNNs can be also used in many-body Physics



Neural Quantum States

Autoregressive sampling



(Simplest) Recursion relation:

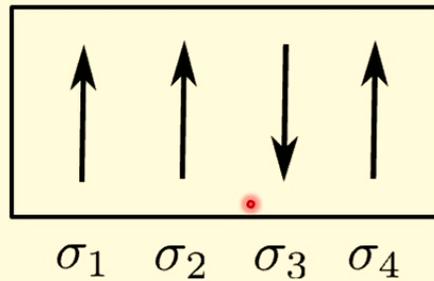
$$h_n = f(W[h_{n-1}; \sigma_{n-1}] + b)$$

Conditional probability:

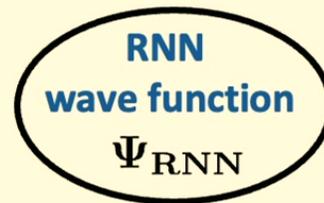
$$P(\sigma_i | \sigma_{<i}) = \text{Softmax}(Uh_n + c) \cdot \sigma_n$$

W, U, b and c are the parameters of the RNN.

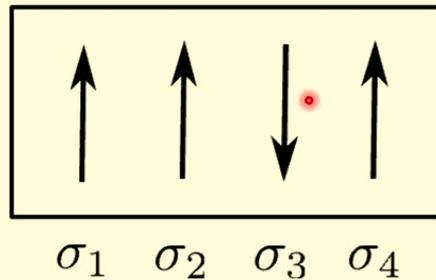
RNN wave functions



$$|\Psi_{\text{RNN}}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4)|^2 = P(\sigma_1)P(\sigma_2|\sigma_1)P(\sigma_3|\sigma_2, \sigma_1)P(\sigma_4|\sigma_3, \sigma_2, \sigma_1)$$



Autoregressive sampling

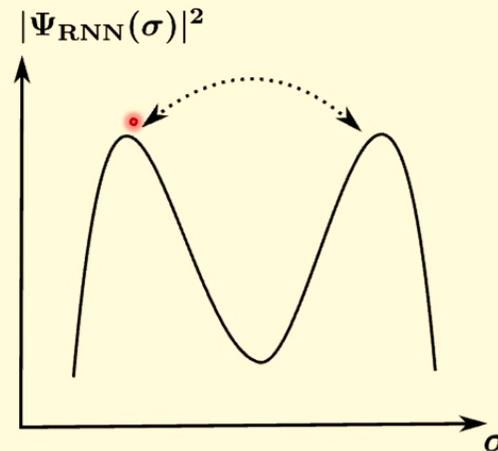


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The samples are **independents** and can be generated in **parallel** $\{\sigma^{(j)}\}_{i=1}^{N_s}$

Importance sampling: $E_{\text{RNN}} \equiv \Psi_{\text{RNN}}^\dagger H \Psi_{\text{RNN}} \approx \frac{1}{N_s} \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} E_{\text{loc}}(\sigma^{(j)})$

Autoregressive sampling

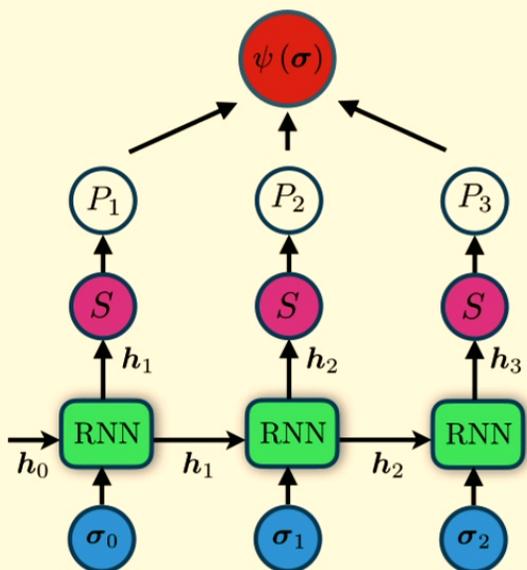


The **RNN** can sample from **multiple modes**

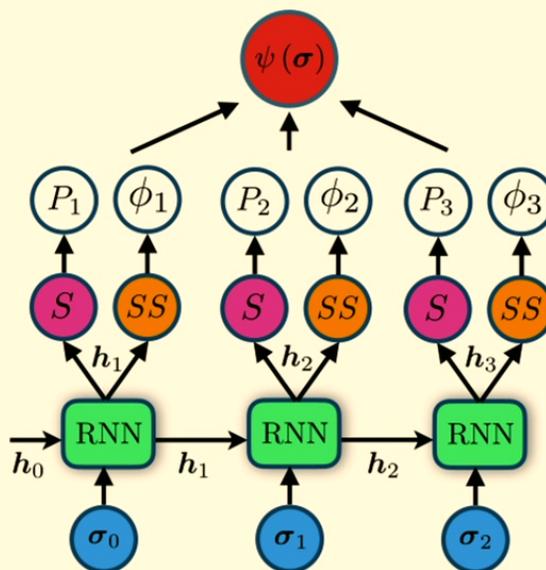
$$|\Psi_{\text{RNN}}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4)|^2 = P(\sigma_1)P(\sigma_2|\sigma_1)P(\sigma_3|\sigma_2, \sigma_1)P(\sigma_4|\sigma_3, \sigma_2, \sigma_1)$$

RNN wave functions

Positive RNN wave function



Complex RNN wave function



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$$\phi(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \equiv \sum_{n=1}^N \phi_n$$

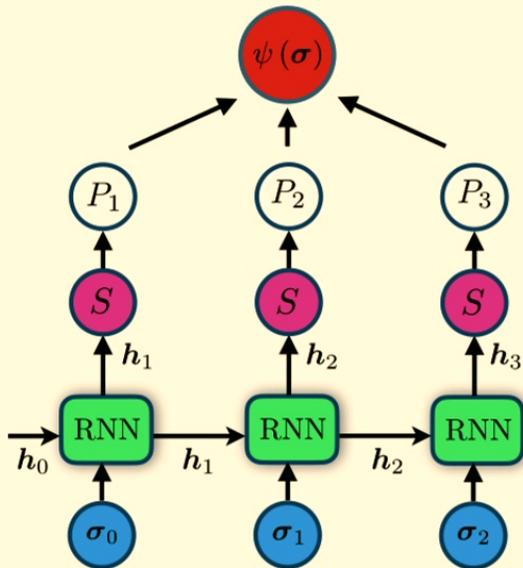
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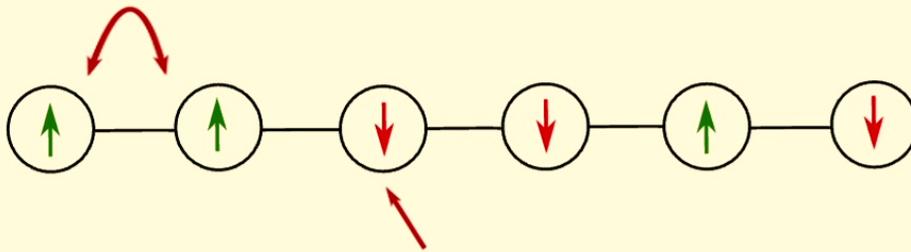
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Transverse-field Ising model in 1D

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Spin flip coupling (disorder)

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Order Disorder

Pauli matrices:

$$\hat{\sigma}^z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{\sigma}^x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

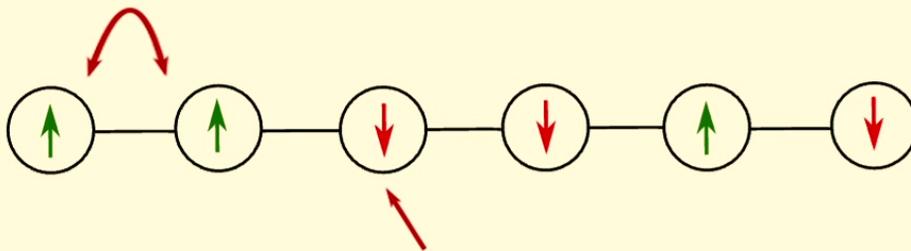
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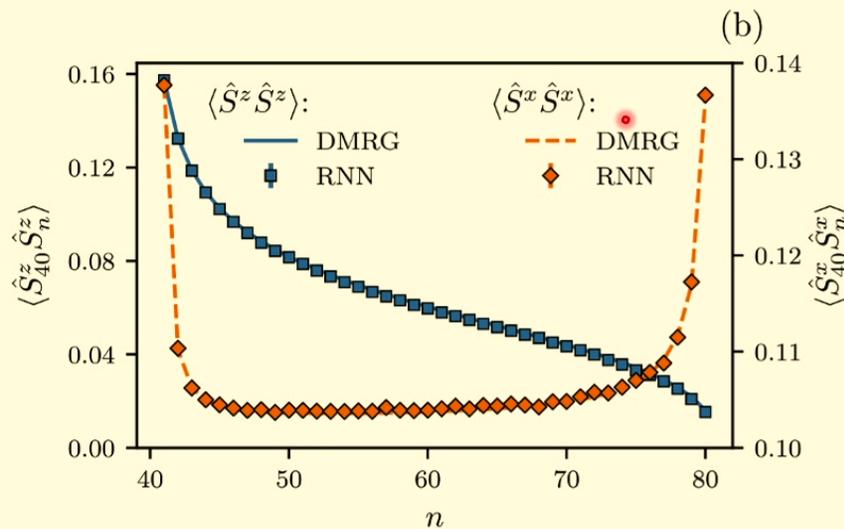


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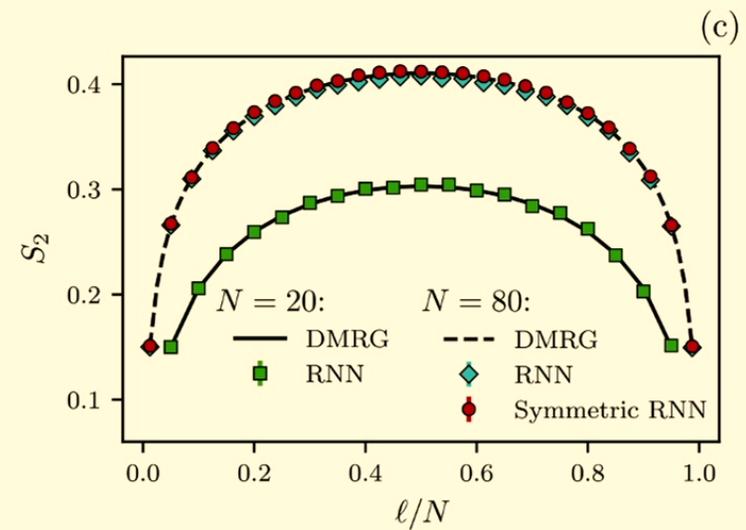
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Neural Quantum States

RNNs can estimate **observables** and **entanglement**



Correlations functions

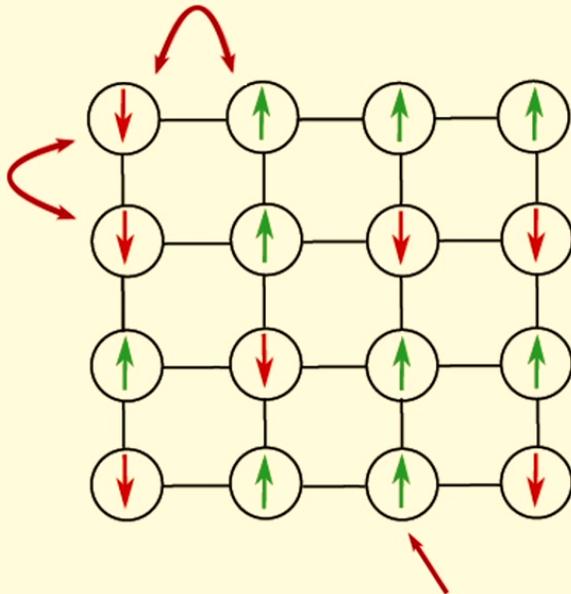


Entanglement entropies

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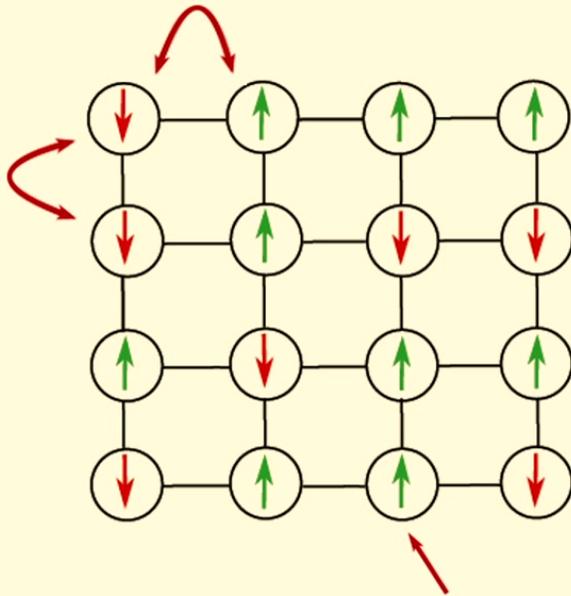


Spin flip coupling (disorder)

- In 2D, the exact ground state energy is **not known** theoretically.

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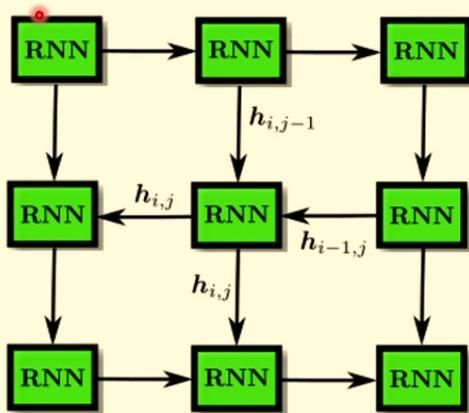
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2D recurrent neural networks



~~1D recursion relation:~~

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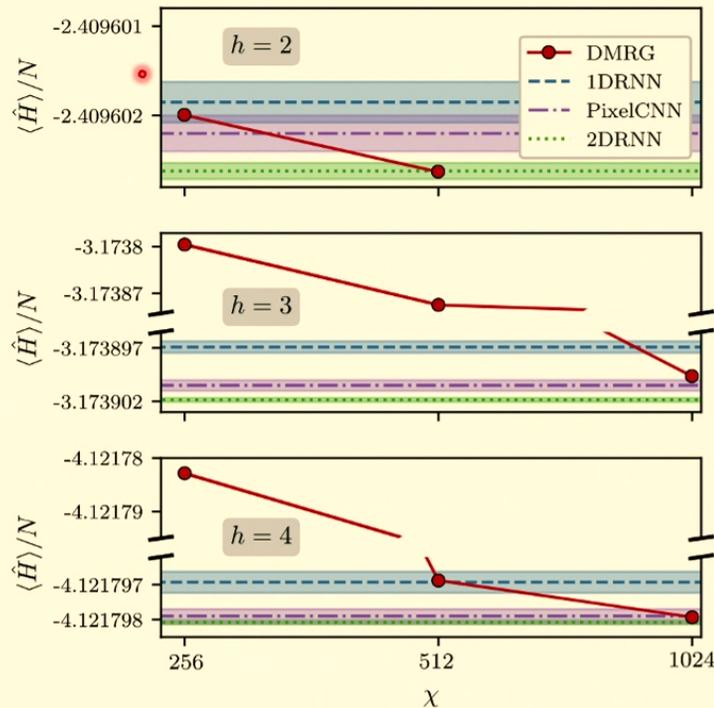
2D recursion relation:

$$\mathbf{h}_{i,j} = f\left(W^{(h)}[\mathbf{h}_{i-1,j}; \sigma_{i-1,j}] + W^{(v)}[\mathbf{h}_{i,j-1}; \sigma_{i,j-1}] + \mathbf{b}\right)$$

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A. Grave et al., Multi-dimensional recurrent neural networks, 2007.

Comparison with the state-of-the art in 2D



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DMRG: Density Matrix Renormalization Group.

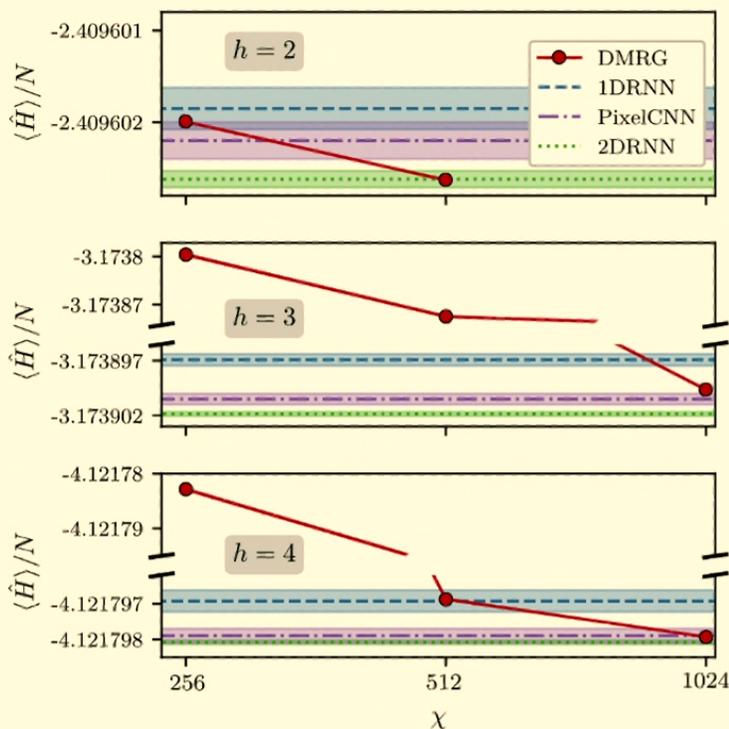
2DRNN and **PixelCNN:** Neural Network architectures.

- The lower the energy the better!

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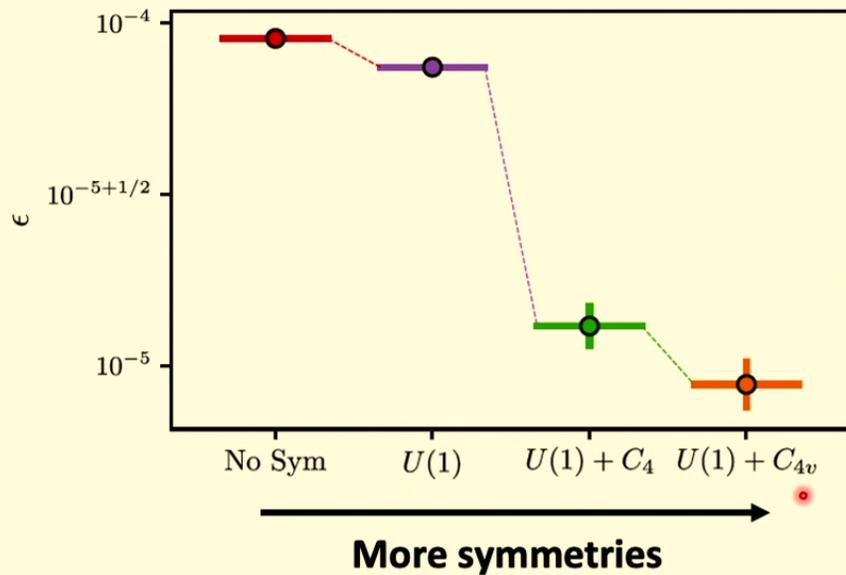
- RNNs are more compact!

0.03% of the variational parameters of **DMRG**.

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Embedding physical symmetries into 2D RNNs

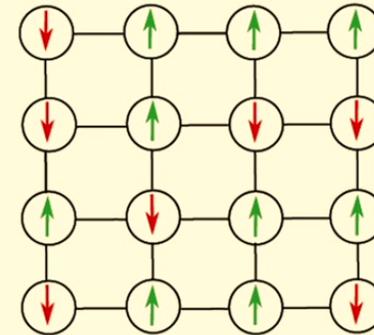


- Relative error :

$$\epsilon = |E_{\text{RNN}} - E_{\text{Exact}}| / |E_{\text{Exact}}|$$

2D Heisenberg model on square lattice

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (\hat{\sigma}_i^x \hat{\sigma}_j^x + \hat{\sigma}_i^y \hat{\sigma}_j^y + \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_j^z)$$



M.H, R. Melko, J. Carrasquilla, ML for Physical Sciences workshop, NeurIPS 2021.

What is next?

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Variational Monte Carlo with large patched transformers

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Kyle Sprague & Stefanie Czisczek  

Large language models, like transformers, have recently demonstrated immense powers in text and image generation. This success is driven by the ability to capture long-range correlations between elements in a sequence. The same feature makes the transformer a powerful wavefunction ansatz that addresses the challenge of describing correlations in simulations of qubit systems. Here we consider two-dimensional Rydberg atom arrays to demonstrate that transformers reach higher accuracies than conventional recurrent neural networks for variational ground state searches. We further introduce large, patched transformer models, which consider a sequence of large atom patches, and show that this architecture significantly accelerates the simulations. The proposed architectures reconstruct ground states with accuracies beyond state-of-the-art quantum Monte Carlo methods, allowing for the study of large Rydberg systems in different phases of matter and at phase transitions. Our high-accuracy ground state representations at reasonable computational costs promise new insights into general large-scale quantum many-body systems.

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RydbergGPT

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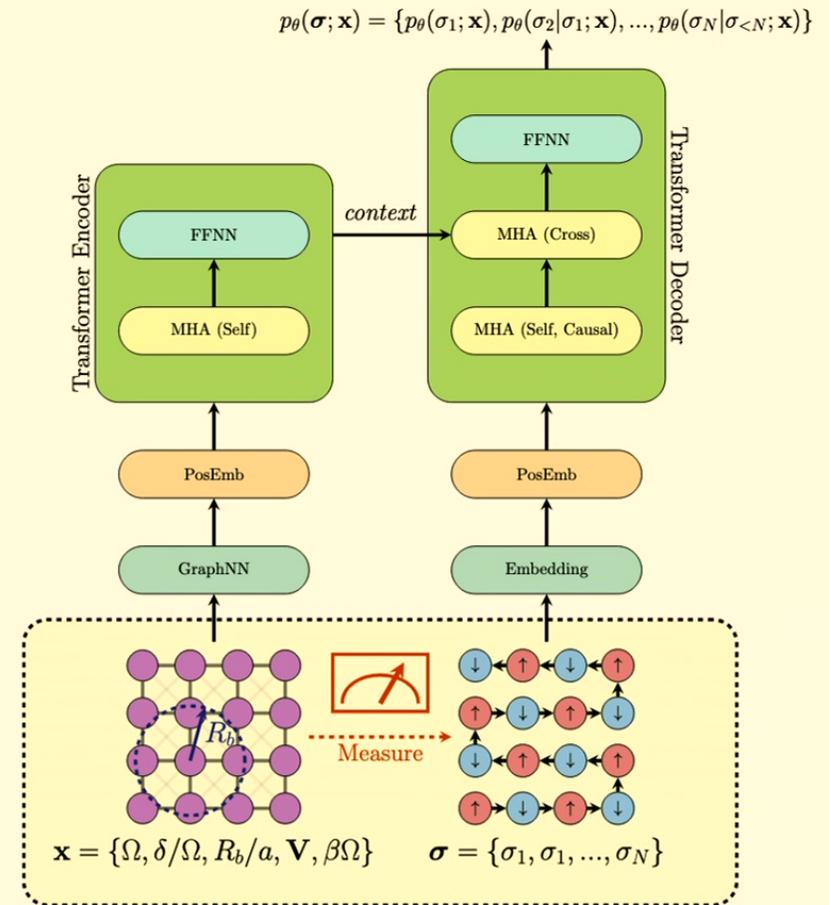
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We introduce a generative pretrained transformer (GPT) designed to learn the measurement outcomes of a neutral atom array quantum computer. Based on a vanilla transformer, our encoder-decoder architecture takes as input the interacting Hamiltonian, and outputs an autoregressive sequence of qubit measurement probabilities. Its performance is studied in the vicinity of a quantum phase transition in Rydberg atoms in a square lattice array. We explore the ability of the architecture to generalize, by producing groundstate measurements for Hamiltonian parameters not seen in the training set. We focus on examples of physical observables obtained from inference on three different models, trained in fixed compute time on a single NVIDIA A100 GPU. These can act as benchmarks for the scaling of larger RydbergGPT models in the future. Finally, we provide RydbergGPT open source, to aid in the development of foundation models based off of a wide variety of quantum computer interactions and data sets in the future.



Thank you!

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