Appendix A

Unitary decomposition for a one plus two-body Hamiltonian for spinless fermions

Let us consider a system of *m* fermions in *N* sp states with a (1+2)-body Hamiltonian H = h(1) + V(2) where $h(1) = \sum_i \epsilon_i \hat{n}_i$ and V(2) is defined by the two-body matrix elements $V_{ijkl} = \langle kl | V(2) | ij \rangle$. With respect to the U(N) group, the two-body interaction V(2) can be separated into scalar ($\nu = 0$), effective one-body ($\nu = 1$) and irreducible two-body ($\nu = 2$) parts. Then, we have [Ch-71, Ko-01a],

$$V^{\nu=0} = \frac{\hat{n}(\hat{n}-1)}{2} \overline{V} ; \quad \overline{V} = {\binom{N}{2}}^{-1} \sum_{i < j} V_{ijij},$$

$$V^{\nu=1} = \frac{\hat{n}-1}{N-2} \sum_{i,j} \zeta_{i,j} a_i^{\dagger} a_j ; \quad \zeta_{i,j} = \left[\sum_k V_{kikj}\right] - \left[(N)^{-1} \sum_{r,s} V_{rsrs}\right] \delta_{i,j},$$

$$V^{\nu=2} = V - V^{\nu=0} - V^{\nu=1} \iff V_{ijkl}^{\nu=2}; \quad (A1)$$

$$V_{ijij}^{\nu=2} = V_{ijij} - \overline{V} - (N-2)^{-1} \left(\zeta_{i,i} + \zeta_{j,j}\right),$$

$$V_{ijkl}^{\nu=2} = V_{ijik} - (N-2)^{-1} \zeta_{j,k} \text{ for } j \neq k,$$

$$V_{ijkl}^{\nu=2} = V_{ijkl} \text{ for all other cases}.$$

Similar to Eq. (A1), the h(1) operator will have v = 0, 1 parts,

$$h^{\nu=0} = \overline{\epsilon} \, \hat{n} \,, \ \overline{\epsilon} = (N)^{-1} \sum_{i} \epsilon_{i} \,,$$

$$h^{\nu=1} = \sum_{i} \epsilon_{i}^{1} \hat{n}_{i} \,, \ \epsilon_{i}^{1} = \epsilon_{i} - \overline{\epsilon} \,.$$
 (A2)

Then the propagation equations for the m-particle centroids and variances are,

$$E_{c}(m) = \langle H \rangle^{m} = m \overline{\epsilon} + {m \choose 2} \overline{V},$$

$$\sigma^{2}(m) = \langle H^{2} \rangle^{m} - [E_{c}(m)]^{2}$$

$$= \frac{m(N-m)}{N(N-1)} \sum_{i,j} \left\{ \epsilon_{i}^{1} \delta_{i,j} + \frac{m-1}{N-2} \zeta_{i,j} \right\}^{2}$$

$$+ \frac{m(m-1)(N-m)(N-m-1)}{N(N-1)(N-2)(N-3)} \left\langle \left\langle \left(V^{\nu=2} \right)^{2} \right\rangle \right\rangle^{2}.$$
(A3)