

Field-Transformation HMC algorithm

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Hybrid Monte Carlo (HMC) algorithm

- Standard algorithm to generate gauge configurations in lattice QCD simulations.

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(U) \rangle_{\text{QCD}} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \int \mathcal{D}U \exp(-S(U)) \mathcal{O}(U) \quad (4)$$

where S is the action, e.g. $S_{\text{Wilson}} = \beta \sum_p \text{Re} \frac{1}{3} \text{tr}(1 - U_p)$.

- We evolve a system with the following Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} \pi_i^2 + S(U) \quad (5)$$

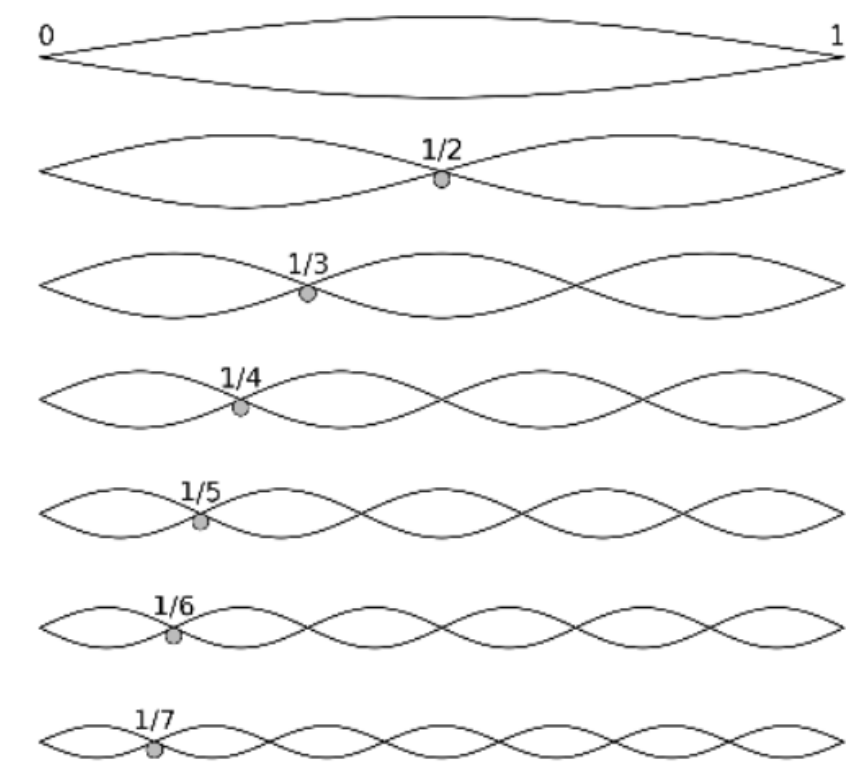
Every trajectory, we reinitialize the canonical momentum π_i with independent Gaussian random numbers of uniform width. After enough trajectories, the gauge field U will follow the desired distribution.

- With dynamical fermions

$$\int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\phi \exp\left(-S(U) - \phi^\dagger \frac{1}{D^\dagger D(U)} \phi\right) \quad (6)$$

Critical slowing down

- When the lattice spacing is small, QCD configuration has a lot of short wave-length, perturbative modes.



- These modes will oscillate with frequencies inversely proportion to the amplitudes of the modes. As an example, for a simple harmonic oscillator system

$$H_{\text{SHO}} = \frac{1}{2} p^2 + \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 x^2 = \frac{1}{2} p^2 + \frac{1}{2A^2} x^2. \quad (7)$$

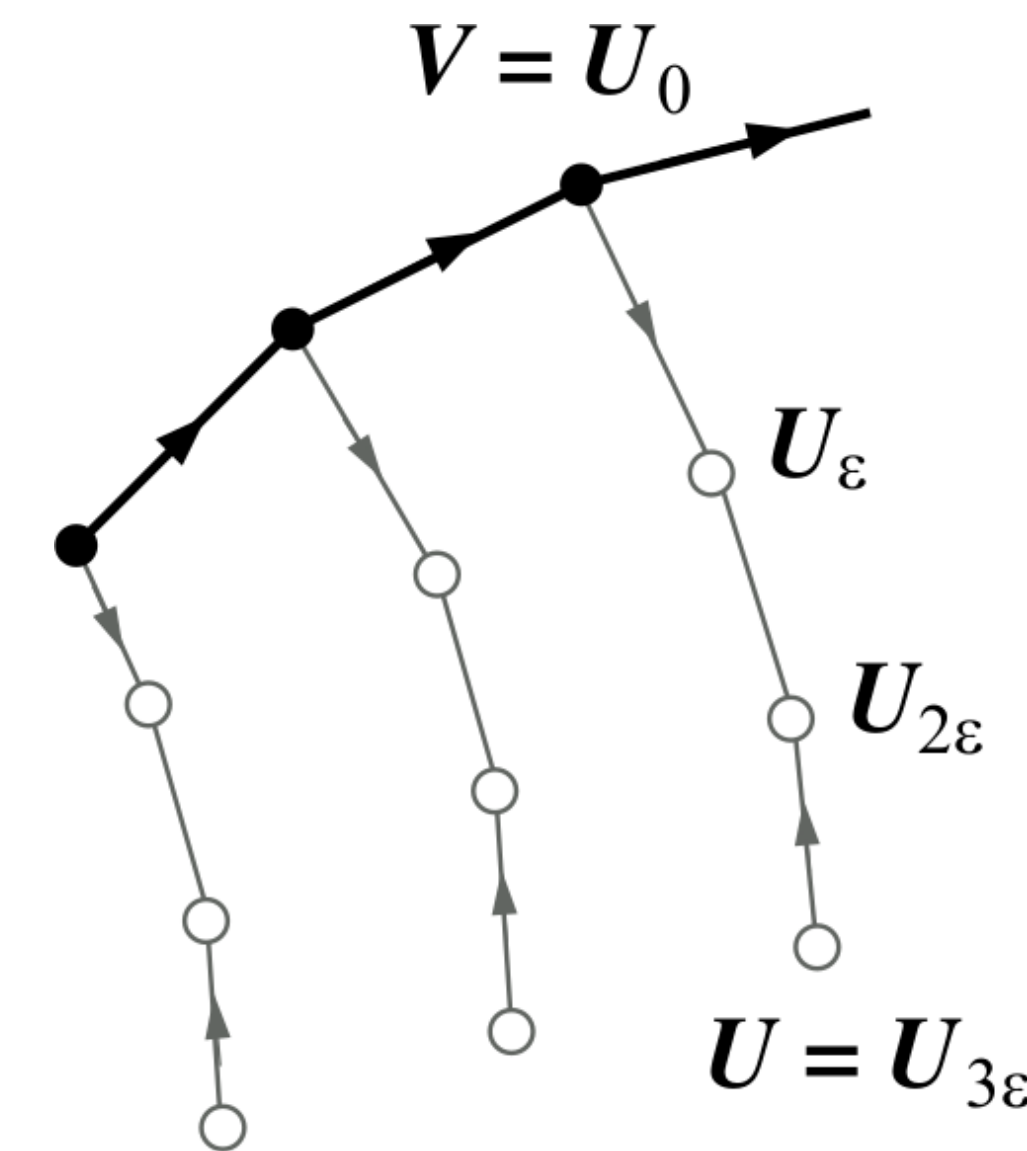
For QCD, the amplitudes of the modes is proportion to the wavelength of the modes.

Question: How far should we integrate the system to decorrelate?

Answer: Depends on the wavelength - disaster!

- Peter Boyle

Lüscher's trivializing map



In Ref [1], M. Lüscher showed that

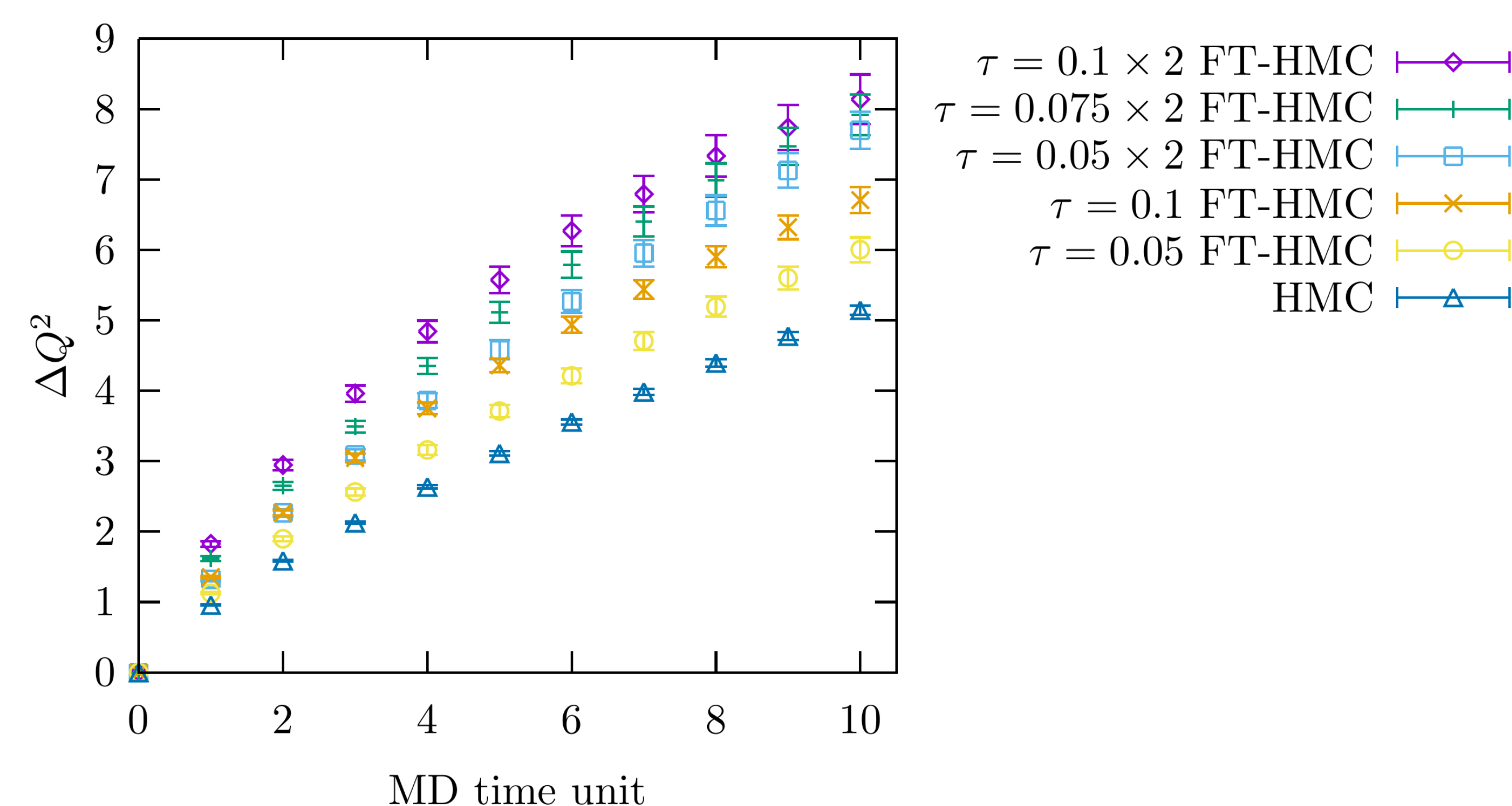
- There are field transformations that which trivializing the theory. That is, the action after the transformation is constant.

$$S_{\text{FT}}(V) = S(\mathcal{F}(V)) - \ln \det \mathcal{F}_*(V) \quad (8)$$

- The Wilson flow trivializes the Wilson action pure gauge theory when β is small. One can calculate the trivializing transformation order by order perturbatively as an expansion in β .
- Use the (approximate) trivializing transformation in HMC may reduce auto-correlation. Concrete algorithm and formulas are given.

Numerical test on pure gauge QCD (4D)

Topological charge in $8^3 \times 16$ lattice $a = 0.2$ fm DBW2 action



Use discrete Wilson flow as the field transformation (Stout smearing).

The flow time is τ .

$$U = \mathcal{F}V \quad (1)$$

$$\int \mathcal{D}U \exp(-S(U)) \mathcal{O}(U) = \int \mathcal{D}V \det(\mathcal{F}_* = \frac{\partial U(V)}{\partial V}) \exp(-S(\mathcal{F}V)) \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{F}V) \quad (2)$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}V \exp(-S_{\text{FT}}(V)) \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{F}V) \quad (3)$$

Field transformation HMC with dynamical fermions

$$\int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\phi \exp\left(-S(U) - \phi^\dagger \frac{1}{D^\dagger D(U)} \phi\right) = \int \mathcal{D}V \mathcal{D}\phi \det(\mathcal{F}_*) \exp\left(-S(\mathcal{F}V) - \phi^\dagger \frac{1}{D^\dagger D(\mathcal{F}V)} \phi\right) \quad (9)$$

The force in HMC transform in the following way:

$$F(U) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial U} \left(S(U) + \phi^\dagger \frac{1}{D^\dagger D(U)} \phi \right) \quad (10)$$

$$F_{\text{FT}}(V) = F(\mathcal{F}V) \mathcal{F}_* + \frac{\partial}{\partial V} \det(\mathcal{F}_*) \quad (11)$$

Outlook

- Test the algorithm with dynamical fermions.
- Analytical calculation of the trivializing map to higher orders.
- Machine learn the transformation (many emerging works).
 - MIT group has constructed a machine learned transformation which approximately trivialize the QCD gauge field. [2].
 - Xiao-Yong Jin's talk at 13:45 Thu. Machine learn the transformation for FT-HMC in 2D U(1) case.
 - Sam Foreman's poster on 2D U(1) FT-HMC with machine learned transformations.

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