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Quantum many-body simulations of the two-dimensional Fermi-Hubbard model in ultracold optical lattices

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Understanding quantum many-body states of correlated electrons is one main theme in modern condensedmatter physics. Given that the Fermi-Hubbard model, the prototype of correlated electrons, was recently realized in ultracold optical lattices, it is highly desirable to have controlled numerical methodology to provide precise finite-temperature results upon doping to directly compare with experiments. Here, we demonstrate the exponential tensor renormalization group (XTRG) algorithm [Chen *et al.*, Phys. Rev. X **8**, 031082 (2018)], complemented by independent determinant quantum Monte Carlo, offers a powerful combination of tools for this purpose. XTRG provides full and accurate access to the density matrix and thus various spin and charge correlations, down to an unprecedented low temperature of a few percent of the tunneling energy. We observe excellent agreement with ultracold fermion measurements at both half filling and finite doping, including the sign-reversal behavior in spin correlations due to formation of magnetic polarons, and the attractive hole-doublon and repulsive hole-hole pairs that are responsible for the peculiar bunching and antibunching behaviors of the antimoments.

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Introduction. The Fermi-Hubbard model (FHM), describing a paradigmatic quantum many-body system [1,2], has relevance for a broad scope of correlation phenomena, ranging from high-temperature superconductivity [3], metal-insulator transition [4], and quantum criticality [5] to interacting topological states of matter [6]. Yet puzzles remain in this strongly interacting many-body model after several decades of intensive investigations. In solid-state materials, FHM is often complicated by multiband structures and interactions such as spin-orbital and Hund's couplings [7]. In this regard, recent progress in two-dimensional (2D) fermionic optical lattices, where the interplay between the spin and charge degrees of freedom in FHM has been implemented in a faithful way [8–14], enables a very clean and powerful platform for simulating its magnetic [15–22] and transport [23,24] properties.

With the state-of-the-art quantum gas microscope techniques, single-site and spin-resolved imaging is now available, and "snapshots" of correlated fermions have been studied experimentally [8–10,12]. On top of that, detailed local spin and charge correlations [11,13–15,17,22], as well as hidden orders revealed by pattern recognition [19,20], all inaccessible in traditional solid-state experiments, can be read out by a microscope. As a highly controlled quantum simulator, ultracold fermions in optical lattices therefore serve as a promising tool for resolving various intriguing theoretical proposals in the 2D FHM. However, numerous challenges remain, both theoretically and experimentally. The currently lowest achievable temperature is $T/t \simeq 0.25-0.5$ (with t being the fermion tunneling energy) on a finite-size system with about 70-80 ⁶Li atoms [17,20,22], and $T/t \sim 1$ in ⁴⁰K systems [12,25]. These temperatures are still much higher than the estimated superconductivity transition temperature, $T_c/t \sim 0.05$, near the optimal doping of the square-lattice FHM [3,26].

On the theoretical side, it is then of vital importance to provide precise quantum many-body calculations in the 2D FHM with system size and fermion density similar to those

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studied experimentally. With that, one can benchmark theory with experiment, determine the effective temperature of the fermionic optical lattice system, explain experimental results, and provide accurate guidance for future progress. However, accurately computing properties of the 2D FHM at finite temperature and finite doping is difficult. Quantum Monte Carlo (QMC) methods suffer from the minus-sign problem, although with finite size and temperature it can actually be performed, yielding unbiased results before one hits the "exponential wall." In this regard, it is highly desirable to have an alternative and powerful method, whose accessible parameter space extends to more difficult yet highly interesting regions. In this Letter, we demonstrate that the thermal tensor network approach constitutes the method of choice.

In fact, various tensor renormalization group (TRG) methods have been developed to compute the ground-state properties of the 2D FHM [27–34]. However, the T > 0 properties at finite doping are much less explored. In this work, we generalize the exponential TRG (XTRG) from spin systems [35,36] to strongly interacting fermions and employ it to simulate the FHM at both half filling and finite doping, down to a few percent of the tunneling energy t. We compare the results obtained from both the XTRG and determinant OMC (DQMC) [37] in the parameter space where both methods are applicable and find excellent agreement between them. Then we carry out XTRG+DQMC investigations of the 2D FHM to cover the entire parameter space accessed by current cold-atom experiments. We find that the experimental data can be perfectly explained by our numerical simulations. The combined XTRG+DQMC scheme therefore opens a route for systematic investigation of the finite-temperature phase diagram of the 2D FHM and constitutes an indispensable theoretical guide for ultracold fermion experiments.

The Fermi-Hubbard model. We consider the interacting electrons on an $L \times L$ square lattice with open boundary conditions,

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i, j \rangle, \sigma} (\hat{c}_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j,\sigma} + \text{H.c.}) + U \sum_{i} \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i\downarrow} - \mu \sum_{i,\sigma} \hat{n}_{i,\sigma},$$
(1)

with t = 1 being the nearest-neighbor hopping amplitude (which sets the unit of energy throughout), U > 0 being the on-site Coulomb repulsion, and μ being the chemical potential. The fermionic operator $\hat{c}_{i,\sigma}$ annihilates an electron with spin $\sigma \in \{\uparrow, \downarrow\}$ on site *i*, and $\hat{n}_{i,\sigma} \equiv \hat{c}_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i,\sigma}$ is the local number operator.

In the large-U limit $(U \gg t)$ and at half filling $(\mu = U/2)$, FHM can be effectively mapped to the Heisenberg model with exchange $J = 4t^2/U$, giving rise to a Néelordered ground state with strong antiferromagnetic (AF) correlations at low temperature [depicted schematically in Fig. 1(b)]. This has been demonstrated in many-body calculations [38] and recently observed in ultracold fermion experiments [17]. To make a direct comparison with recent experiments [12,17,20,25], we take L = 4, 6, 8, set U = 7.2, and further tune the chemical potential $\mu < U/2$ to introduce hole doping.

Fermion XTRG. Finite-temperature TRG methods have been proposed to compute the thermodynamics of interact-

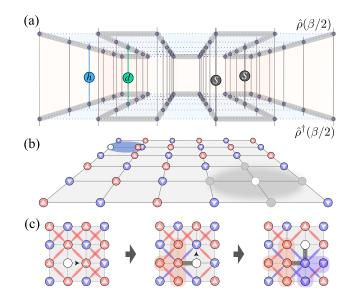


FIG. 1. (a) Bilayer calculation of the spin-spin $\langle \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j \rangle$ and holedoublon $\langle \hat{h}_i \cdot \hat{d}_j \rangle$ correlators by sandwiching corresponding operators in between $\hat{\rho}(\beta/2)$ and $\hat{\rho}^{\dagger}(\beta/2)$, where the snakelike ordering of sites for the XTRG is indicated by thick gray lines. (b) In the low-temperature AF background (blue down and red up spins), a magnetic polaron (gray shaded region) emerges around a moving hole, where the spins around the hole can be in a superposition of spin-up and -down states. The blue ellipse represents a hole-doublon pair showing a strong bunching effect. (c) A hole moves in the system along the path indicated by the gray string, leading to a sign reversal of the diagonal spin correlation. The red and blue shaded regions illustrate the deformed magnetic background due to the interplay between the hole and spins. Diagonal correlations are indicated red (aligned) or blue (antialigned).

ing spins [35,39–45]. However, the simulation of correlated fermions at finite temperature has so far been limited either to relatively high temperature [46,47] or to rather restricted geometries, like one-dimensional (1D) chains [48]. XTRG employs a density-matrix renormalization group (DMRG)-type setup for both 1D and 2D systems [35,36] and cools down the systems exponentially fast. It has shown great precision in quantum spin systems [35,49,50], thus holding great promise to be generalized to correlated fermions.

As shown in Fig. 1(a), we represent the density matrix $\hat{\rho}(\beta/2)$ as a matrix product operator defined on a 1D snakelike path [thick gray lines in Fig. 1(a)]. To guarantee the positivedefinite condition of the density matrix and accurately compute the expectation value of an observable \hat{O} , we adopt the bilayer technique [48], yielding $\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}(\beta/2) \cdot \hat{O} \cdot \hat{\rho}^{\dagger}(\beta/2)]$, with $\mathcal{Z} = \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}(\beta/2) \cdot \hat{\rho}^{\dagger}(\beta/2)]$ being the partition function. We consider mainly two-site static correlators, $\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \langle \hat{O}_i \cdot \hat{O}_j \rangle$, with \hat{O}_i being a local operator such as the SU(2) spinor $\hat{S}_i \equiv [\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{c}^{\dagger}_{i\uparrow} \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}, \frac{1}{2} (\hat{n}_{i\uparrow} - \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{c}^{\dagger}_{i\downarrow} \hat{c}_{i\uparrow}]^T$, the fermion number $\hat{n}_i \equiv \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} + \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}$, the occupation projectors $\hat{h}_i \equiv |0\rangle \langle 0|_i$ (hole) and $\hat{d}_i \equiv |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \langle\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow|_i \equiv \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}$ (doublon), etc. The spin-spin $\langle \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j \rangle$ and hole-doublon $\langle \hat{h}_i \cdot \hat{d}_j \rangle$ correlations are schematically depicted in Fig. 1(a).

We also fully implement non-Abelian spin and particlehole symmetries in the QSpace framework [51,52] (for

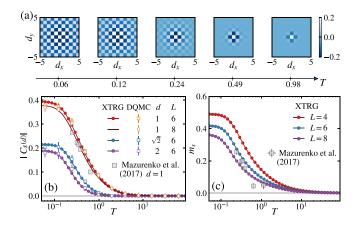


FIG. 2. Half-filled FHM with U = 7.2 and L = 4, 6, 8. (a) The finite-size AF order pattern is determined from the spin correlation $C_S(d)$ versus (d_x, d_y) , which melts gradually as *T* increases. We show in (b) the spin correlation function $|C_S(d)|$ of various $d = 1, \sqrt{2}, 2$ and in (c) the finite-size spontaneous magnetization m_s . Excellent agreement between the calculated (L = 8) data and the experimental data [17] can be observed.

technical details, see [53]). To be specific, for the half-filled case we exploit $SU(2)_{charge} \otimes SU(2)_{spin}$, and for the doped case we exploit $U(1)_{charge} \otimes SU(2)_{spin}$ symmetry. The implementation of symmetries has been shown to be very useful in the DMRG-type calculations [54–56], and here it allows us to reduce the D states retained in XTRG to an effective dimension of D^* multiplets. Practically, for the half-filled (doped) cases, the effective dimensional reductions $D/D^* \sim 5.6(2.6)$, corresponding to a $(D/D^*)^4 \simeq 50-1000$ fold reduction of computation time, guaranteeing high efficiency and accuracy for the thermal simulations. We obtain well-converged XTRG results on the L = 8 square lattice at half filling (total site number $N = L^2 = 64$) using up to $D^* = 900$ multiplets ($D \simeq$ 5000 states) and, upon doping, using up to $D^* = 1200$ multiplets ($D \simeq 3100$ states) [53] down to temperature $T/t \simeq 0.06$, which is unprecedentedly low for such system sizes. The DQMC simulation performed here is of the finite-temperature version with fast update [57].

Spin correlations and finite-size magnetic order at half filling. In recent experiments with the FHM, the AF has been realized in ultracold optical lattices at low effective temperature T/t < 0.4 [17]. We first benchmark the XTRG method, along with DQMC, with the experimental results of the half-filled FHM. Figure 2(a) exhibits the spin correlations $C_S(d) \equiv \frac{1}{N_d} \sum_{|i-j|=d} \frac{\langle \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j \rangle}{S(S+1)}$, summed over all N_d pairs of sites i and j (Cartesian coordinates) with distance d. It shows AF magnetic order across the finite-size system at low temperature, e.g., $T \leq 0.12$, which melts gradually as temperature increases and effectively disappears above $T \sim$ 0.49, in good agreement with recent experiments [17]. In Fig. 2(b), we show $|C_{S}(d)|$ vs T at three fixed distances d =1, $\sqrt{2}$, 2, where the XTRG and DQMC curves agree rather well in the whole temperature range. Figure 2(c) shows the finite-size spontaneous magnetization $m_s \equiv \sqrt{S(\pi, \pi)}$ vs T, where $S(q) = \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_{i,j}' \frac{\langle \hat{s}_i, \hat{s}_j \rangle}{S(S+1)} e^{-iq \cdot (i-j)}$ is the spin structure factor, with the summation Σ' excluding on-site correlations

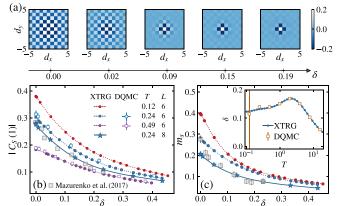


FIG. 3. Doped FHM with U = 7.2 and L = 6, 8. (a) The spin correlation pattern $C_S(d)$ versus δ , plotted at T = 0.06, where the finite-size AF order fades out for $\delta \ge 0.15$. The computed (b) spin correlations $|C_S(d = 1)|$ and (c) staggered magnetization m_s are compared to the experimental data [17]. The XTRG data in (b) and (c) are obtained via extrapolation $1/D^* \rightarrow 0$ [53]. In the inset in (c), we show how δ , computed by both XTRG and DQMC, varies with T and on an L = 6 lattice and at a fixed chemical potential $\mu = 1.5$.

(following the convention from experiments [17]). For all sizes considered, m_s grows quickly as T is decreased from 1 to 0.1. Notably, for both spin correlations and spontaneous magnetization, the L = 8 XTRG data show good qualitative agreement with the experimental measurements. This may be ascribed to the similar system sizes and boundary conditions [17].

Staggered magnetization upon hole doping. By tuning the chemical potential $\mu < U/2$, we dope holes into the system and study how they affect the magnetic properties. Figure 3(a) shows the spin correlation patterns for different dopings δ at low *T*. The AF order clearly seen at low doping becomes increasingly short ranged as δ increases, effectively reduced to nearest neighbor (NN) only for $\delta \ge 0.15$. The falloff of AF order upon doping can also be observed in $|C_S(d)|$ with a fixed distance *d*. In Fig. 3(b), we show the *d* = 1 NN spin correlations, where the XTRG and DQMC agree well, whenever the latter is available (for L = 6 lattice at T = 0.24 and T = 0.49). Remarkably, our L = 8 XTRG data again show excellent agreement with the experiments, while the sign problem hinders DQMC from reaching such system size at T = 0.24 [53].

Figure 3(c) shows the staggered magnetization m_s vs δ . Again a rapid drop of the finite-size AF order at approximately $\delta \in [0.1, 0.25]$ can be seen. Based on the agreements between the XTRG (L = 8) and experimental results [Figs. 3(b) and 3(c)], we find the effective temperature of ultracold fermions in the doped case is also around T/t = 0.24, consistent with the experiments [17]. In our calculations we tune the doping δ by scanning the chemical potentials μ . In the inset of Fig. 3(c), we show the doping δ vs T for a fixed $\mu = 1.5$ (again the XTRG and DQMC results agree for $T \ge 0.24$ with a tolerable sign problem [53] for DQMC). The behavior of δ is nonmonotonic: it first increases as T is lowered [having $\delta(T = \infty) = 0$] and then slowly decreases due to hole repulsion [53].

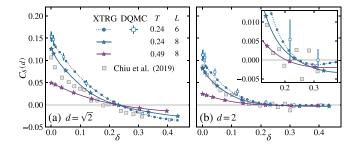


FIG. 4. Diagonal and NNN $C_S(d)$ correlations versus δ for an $L \times L$ system with U = 7.2 and L = 6, 8 for (a) $d = \sqrt{2}$ and (b) d = 2. The inset in (b) zooms in on small $C_S(d)$ values. The sign reversal of C_d is in good agreement with experimental data [20].

Two-point spin correlations upon hole doping. In Fig. 4, we analyze spin correlations between the diagonal $(d = \sqrt{2})$ and next-nearest-neighbor (d = 2, NNN) sites. We compare them to recent measurements where the diagonal correlation $C_S(\sqrt{2})$ undergoes a sign reversal around $\delta \simeq 0.2$ [20]. Our computations reproduce this fact [Fig. 4(a)], and the L = 8 XTRG results computed at T = 0.24 accurately reproduce the experimental measurements. For the NNN correlations (d = 2) [Fig. 4(b)], we find that an analogous sign reversal, hardly discernible in experiments, takes place around $\delta \simeq 0.25$.

The sign reversal can be explained within the geometric string theory [58]. It signals the formation of a magnetic polaron in the system. As shown in Fig. 1(c), the hole motion through the system generates a string of misaligned spins. The strong NN AF spin correlations are thus mixed with the diagonal and even further correlations, e.g., $C_S(2)$, resulting in even ferromagnetic clusters [red and blue shaded regions in Fig. 1(c)]. Due to the interplay between the charge impurity and magnetic background, the moving hole distorts the nearby AF background [see the gray "cloud" in Fig. 1(b)], giving rise to the magnetic polaron. Such exotic quasiparticles have been imaged experimentally [22] for a doublon in the particle-doped Fermi-Hubbard model and investigated numerically in the context of the *t-J* model [59].

Hole-doublon bunching and hole-hole antibunching. A quantum gas microscope can also access parity-projected antimoment correlation functions defined in the charge sector, $\bar{g}_2(d) \equiv \frac{1}{N_d} \sum_{|i-j|=d} \frac{\langle \hat{a}_i \hat{\alpha}_j \rangle}{\langle \hat{a}_i \rangle \langle \hat{\alpha}_j \rangle}$ [13] and $\tilde{g}_2(d) \equiv \frac{1}{N_d} \sum_{|i-j|=d} [\frac{1}{\delta^2} \langle \langle \hat{a}_i \hat{\alpha}_j \rangle - \langle \hat{\alpha}_i \rangle \langle \hat{\alpha}_j \rangle) + 1$] [20], with the antimoment projector $\hat{\alpha}_i \equiv \hat{h}_i + \hat{d}_i$ [60]. Figures 5(a) and 5(b) show the computed antimoment correlation results. Antimoments are bunching ($\bar{g}_2 < 1$) at low doping yet become antibunching ($\bar{g}_2 < 1$) at large doping, in quantitative agreement with an earlier ⁴⁰K experiment [13] and a more recent ⁶Li gas measurement [20]. The antibunching at large doping is attributed to hole-doublon pairs [13].

Now antimoments contain contributions from both holes and doublons, yet their individual contributions cannot be distinguished via parity projection measurements [13,20]. XTRG, however, readily yields detailed correlators $g_2^{l'}(d) \equiv \frac{1}{N_d} \sum_{|\mathbf{i}-\mathbf{j}|=d} \frac{\langle \hat{l}_i \hat{l}_j \rangle}{\langle \hat{l}_i \rangle \langle \hat{l}_j \rangle}$, with $l \in \{h, d\}$ and $\hat{l}_i \in \{\hat{h}_i, \hat{d}_i\}$ for hole and

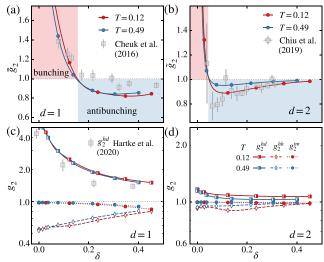


FIG. 5. Various g_2 correlators for an 8×8 system with U = 7.2. The antimoment correlators (a) $\bar{g}_2(d = 1)$ and (b) $\tilde{g}_2(d = 2)$ are shown versus δ . Experimental data with d = 1, $T/t \simeq 1.0$ [13] and d = 2, $T/t \simeq 0.25$ [20] are included for comparison. (c) and (d) The two-site hole-doublon (g_2^{hd}) , hole-hole (g_2^{hh}) , and full-density (g_2^{nn}) correlations for (c) d = 1 and (d) d = 2. The d = 1 hole-doublon correlation g_2^{hd} is compared with experiment in (c), with a nice agreement despite a separate $U/t \simeq 11.8$ in experiment [25].

double-occupancy projectors, respectively. Later we also use l = n for $\hat{l}_j = \hat{n}_j$, the local density.

Our results for the correlations $g_2^{hh}(d)$ and $g_2^{hd}(d)$ vs δ are shown in Figs. 5(c) and 5(d). We always find anticorrelation among holes $(g_2^{hh} < 1)$ but strong bunching between a hole and a doublon $(g_2^{hd} > 1)$. As shown in Fig. 5(c), the computed g_2^{hd} data show qualitative agreement with very recent experimental measurements using the full-density-resolved bilayer readout technique [25,61]. The change from bunching to antibunching behaviors in antimoment correlations in Figs. 5(a)and 5(b) can be ascribed to the fact that the hole-doublon attraction is advantageous over the hole-hole repulsion at low doping, while the latter dominates at relatively large doping [53]. When comparing the charge correlations at d = 1 and 2 in Figs. 5(c) and 5(d), we find that the hole-doublon bunching effect in $\bar{g}_2(1)$ is particularly strong at $\delta \ll 1$, where the holes mostly stem from NN hole-doublon pairs [see the illustration in Fig. 1(b)]. The further-ranged $g_2^{hd}(2)$ still shows the bunching effect yet gets much reduced.

The full density correlation $g_2^{nn}(d)$ is shown in Figs. 5(c) and 5(d). We observe $g_2^{nn}(d) \approx 1$ at low doping for both d = 1, 2, i.e., weak nonlocal charge correlations near half filling, and a more pronounced anticorrelation $g_2^{nn}(d) < 1$ as δ increases. Based on our XTRG results, we further reveal that the longer-ranged $g_2^{nn}(2)$ also exhibits anticorrelations upon doping, suggesting the statistical Pauli holes may be rather nonlocal, though decaying rapidly spatially.

Conclusion and outlook. In this work, we generalized XTRG [35,36] to the 2D FHM. Employing XTRG and DQMC, we obtained reliable results for both half filling and doped cases and found consistency with the ultracold-atom

experiments. XTRG can explore a broader parameter space, especially in the doped case, than DQMC, which is limited by a minus-sign problem. XTRG+DQMC constitutes a state-of-the-art complimentary numerical setup for probing the phase diagram of FHM, for SU(2) fermions here and generally SU(N) fermions [62], thanks to the implementation of non-Abelian symmetries [51]. Fundamental questions such as the explanation of the Fermi arcs and the pseudogap phase [63,64], with their implications for the breaking of Luttinger's theorem [65–68], and the role of topological order [69–71] are open interesting topics to be studied by XTRG+DQMC and optical lattices.

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Supplementary Materials: Quantum Many-Body Simulations of the 2D Fermi-Hubbard Model in Ultracold Optical Lattices

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A. Exponential Tensor Renormalization Group Approach for Correlated Fermions

1. Renormalization group algorithms for 2D fermion models

Renormalization group numerical methods provide powerful tools tackling fermion many-body problems. Among others, the density-matrix [2] and tensor-network renormalization group (TRG) [1, 3, 4] methods have been developed to simulate fermion models in two dimensions (2D), with focus on the T = 0 properties, playing an active role in solving the challenging Fermi-Hubbard model at finite doping [5–8].

For T > 0, thermal TRG algorithms exploits the purification framework in simulating thermodynamics of both infinite- and finite-size systems [9–12]. Recently, generalizations of DMRG-type calculations to finite temperature have become available via matrix-product-state samplings [13, 14] and the exponential TRG (XTRG) [15–17]. Most of the thermal TRG methods mainly apply to the spin/boson systems, and there are few attempts for fermions at finite temperature. For example, an infinite TRG approach has been proposed to simulate 2D fermion lattice models directly in the thermodynamic limit, however it is restricted to relatively high temperature [18]. Therefore, it is highly desirable to have reliable and accurate TRG algorithms for simulating large-scale correlated fermion systems down to low temperatures.

XTRG can be employed to simulate large-scale system sizes, e.g., width-8 cylinders for the square-lattice Heisenberg model [17], and width-6 cylinders [16] for the triangularlattice Heisenberg model, providing full and accurate access to various thermodynamic quantities as well as entanglement and correlations down to low temperature. Here, we generalize XTRG to 2D fermion models and perform the calculations on $L \times L$ open square lattices up to size L = 8 (half filling) and L = 6 (finite doping).

2. Particle-hole and spin symmetries

In the XTRG calculations of the Fermi-Hubbard model, we implement non-Abelian/Abelian particle-hole and spin symmetries in the matrix-product operator (MPO) representation of the Hamiltonian and the thermal density operators, which greatly reduces the computational resources and makes the high-precision low-temperature simulations possible in XTRG. Here the symmetry implementation is based on the QSpace tensor library [19].

To be specific, consider the SU(2)_{charge} SU(2)_{spin} symmetry as an example. The SU(2)_{charge}, i.e., particle-hole symmetry is present in the Fermi-Hubbard model at half-filling on a bipartite lattices, such as the square lattice considered in this work. QSpace permits to turn symmetries on or off at will, such that either of the symmetries above can also be reduced to smaller ones, such as U(1)_{charge} or U(1)_{spin}. This is required for example in the presence of a chemical potential or an external magnetic field, respectively. Throughout, we stick here to the order convention that the charge label comes first, followed by the spin label, i.e., q = (C, S). For SU(2)_{charge}, the S_z ' label corresponds to $\frac{1}{2}(n_i - 1)$, that is, one half the local charge relative to half-filling.

The fermion operators can be organized into an irreducible four-component spinor [19],

$$\hat{F}_{i}^{(1/2,1/2)} = \begin{pmatrix} s_{i}\hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} \\ \hat{c}_{i\downarrow} \\ s_{i}\hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} \\ -\hat{c}_{i\uparrow} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(S1)

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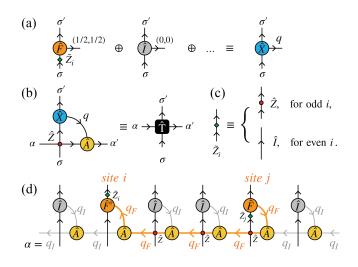


FIG. S1. Tensor-network representation for fermion operators. — (a) An irreducible operator (irop) can always be assigned an irop index, shown as the horizontal line sticking out towards the right of a tensor indicated by a circle. The vertical lines describe a local state space. The irop index is also assigned symmetry labels $q \equiv (C, S)$ which describe the transformation of the operator under given charge (C)and spin (S) symmetry. Here examples of local irops are the fermion operator \hat{F} [with $q_F \equiv (1/2, 1/2)$] or a trivial identity operator \hat{I} [with $q_I \equiv (0,0)$]. These may be combined into the (non-irop) tensor \hat{X} that now describes a (to the extent required) complete local operator basis. (b) For the MPO of the Hamiltonian, the local tensor T is constructed from the local operator basis \hat{X} and the A tensor of a super-MPS, connected by the operator basis indexed by q. Fermionic signs are taken are of by the charge parity operator $\hat{Z} \equiv (-1)^{\hat{n}}$ which needs to be applied at every crossing point of lines if negative charge parity can occur on both lines (this is completely analogous, e.g., to the swap gate in fermionic iPEPS [1]). It is denoted by the small red dot. (c) When using SU(2) particle-hole symmetry, the local fermion operator is decorated with an additional \tilde{Z}_i (denoted by the green diamond), $\hat{F}_i \rightarrow \tilde{Z}_i \hat{F}_i$, to recover the correct hopping structure in terms of signs, with $\tilde{Z}_i \in {\{\hat{I}, \hat{Z}\}}$ for even (odd) sites *i*, respectively. (d) A single hopping term in the Hamiltonian, i.e., $h_{i,j} \equiv \hat{F}_i^{\dagger} \cdot \hat{F}_j$ from site j to site i is constructed in MPO form from the local tensor as schematically depicted in panel (b). Local terms in the Hamiltonian are also added to the local MPO basis \hat{X} [suggested by the $\oplus \ldots$ in (a)], e.g., with the onsite interaction given by $(\hat{n}_i - 1)^2 \equiv \frac{4}{3}\hat{C}_i^{\dagger} \cdot \hat{C}_i$, i.e., the Casimir operator in the SU(2)_{charge} symmetry.

It is an irop that transforms like $q_F = (1/2, 1/2)$. Because it consists of multiple components, this results in the third index [depicted as leg to the right in Fig. S1(a)]. The local Hilbert space $\sigma_{(i)}$ of a site *i* with d = 4 states can be reduced to $d^* = 2$ multiplets, $q_{\sigma} = (1/2, 0)$ combining empty and double occupied, i.e., hole and double states, and $q_{\sigma} = (0, 1/2)$ for the local spin S = 1/2 multiplet at single occupancy.

In Eq. (S1), the index $i \equiv (i_1, i_2)$ denotes a 2D Cartesian coordinate of the site in original square lattice. The implementation of SU(2)_{charge} requires a bipartite lattice, $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$, which we distinguish by the parity $s_i = \pm 1$, e.g., choosing arbitrarily but fixed that the sites in \mathcal{A} are even, i.e., have $s_i = +1$ for $i \in \mathcal{A}$. In practice, we adopt a snake-like mapping of the 2D square lattice (as shown in Fig. 1), with a 1D site ordering index *i*. This leads to a simple rule: a site with $i \in$ even (odd) site of the quasi-1D chain also corresponds to the even (odd) sublattice of the square lattice with $s_i = \pm 1$.

For $SU(2)_{charge}$, to recover the correct hopping term in the Hamiltonian, this requires the alternating sign factor s_i . In fact, this alternating sign can be interpreted as different fermion orderings on the even and odd sites [19], i.e.,

$$|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle_{i} = s_{i} \hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle = \begin{cases} \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle, & i \in \text{odd}, s_{i} = -1, \\ \\ \hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle, & i \in \text{even}, s_{i} = 1. \end{cases}$$
(S2)

By reversing the fermionic order of every other site for the local state space as above, we thus recover the correct structure in the electron hopping term

$$\hat{h}_{i,j} = \hat{F}_i^{\dagger} \cdot \hat{F}_j = (\hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j\uparrow} + \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j\downarrow}) + \text{H.c.}, \quad (S3)$$

with site i and j always belonging to different sublattices of the square lattice. By summing over all pairs of hopping terms, we recover the tight-binding (TB) kinetic energy term on the square lattice, whose Hamiltonian reads

$$\hat{H}_{\rm TB} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{h}_{i,j} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{F}_i^{\dagger} \cdot \hat{F}_j \ . \tag{S4}$$

By the structure of a scalar product, Eq. (S4) explicitly reveals the SU(2) particle-hole and spin symmetry.

When the interaction U is turned on, the Fermi-Hubbard Hamiltonian [see Eq. (1) in the main text] remains $SU(2)_{charge} \otimes SU(2)_{spin}$ invariant, as long as half-filling is maintained, i.e., $\mu = U/2$. Then

$$\sum_{i} U\hat{n}_{i\uparrow}\hat{n}_{i\downarrow} - \frac{U}{2}(\hat{n}_{i\uparrow} + \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}) \equiv \frac{U}{2}\sum_{i}(\hat{n}_{i} - 1)^{2} + \text{const.}$$

has a SU(2) charge symmetry, and the system has a totally symmetric energy spectrum centered around $C_z = 0$. It is proportional to the Casimir operator of SU(2)_{charge}. However, when $\mu \neq U/2$, this acts like a magnetic field in the charge sector, and the SU(2)_{charge} symmetry is reduced to U(1)_{charge}.

3. Fermionic MPO

Given this symmetric construction of the local fermionic operator \hat{F}_i we describe below how to represent the manybody Hamiltonian as a fermionic MPO, by taking the squarelattice tight-binding model Eq. (S4) mentioned above as an example. We first introduce a super matrix product state (super-MPS) representation in Fig. S1, which encode the "interaction" information compactly and can be conveniently transformed into the MPO by contracting the A tensor with the local operator basis \hat{X} , as shown in Fig. S1(a,b).

To be specific, consider a single hopping term $h_{i,j}$ between site $i \neq j$ in Fig. S1(d). In the super-MPS, the corresponding A tensors have a simple internal structure, as listed in Tab. I, since the main purpose of the A-tensor is to *route* lines through. Hence they also contain simple Clebsch Gordan coefficients, with the fully scalar representation (0, 0) always at

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TABLE I. The nonzero reduced tensor elements $||A_{\alpha,\alpha'}^{q[k]}||$ at site k [cf. Fig. S1(d)], in the MPO representation of a specific hopping term $h_{i,j}$ (Eq. S3) between site *i* and *j*. The indices α, α' , and *q* are labeled by symmetry quantum numbers (*C*, *S*).

least on one index. In $||A_{\alpha,\alpha'}^{q[k]}||$, α, α' can be $q_{\rm F} = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ or $q_{\rm I} = (0,0)$ as shown in Fig. S1(c). Correspondingly, this contracts with either the fermion operator \hat{F} or \hat{I} in \hat{X}^q , respectively. Contracting \hat{X}^q onto A, this casts the super-MPS which is made of A-tensors only, into "MPO" form consisting of the rank-4 tensors T, as indicated in Fig. S1(b). With the index α routed from site i to site j, its q-label is fixed to that of the irop. Therefore each single hopping term $h_{i,j}$ can be represented as an MPO as in Fig. S1(d), with reduced bond dimension $D^* = 1$ (one multiplet per geometric bond). Following a very similar procedure as in XTRG for spin systems [15], we can thus sum over all $h_{i,j}$ terms and obtain a compact MPO representation of the Hamiltonian Eq. (S4) through variational compression which as part of the initialization is cheap. This guarantees that an MPO with minimal bond dimension D^* is obtained.

4. Fermion parity operator \hat{Z}

The \hat{X}^q operator basis acts on the local fermionic Hilbert space, and thus fermionic signs need to be accounted for in the construction of the MPO representation of the Hamiltonian. As shown in Fig. S1(d), we introduce a product of parity operators \hat{Z} between site *i* and *j*, generating a Jordan-Wigner string connecting the operators \hat{F}_i^{\dagger} and \hat{F}_j . The parity operator \hat{Z} is defined as $(-1)^{2C+1}$ for any state space, which yields z = +1 if *C* is half-integer (e.g., C = 1/2 for empty and double occupied), and z = -1, otherwise (e.g. C = 0 for a singly occupied site). In practice, for SU(2)_{charge}, based on Eq. (S1) we use for even sites ($s_i = +1$)

$$\hat{F} \equiv \hat{F}_{\text{even}}^{(1/2,1/2)} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} \\ \hat{c}_{i\downarrow} \\ \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} \\ -\hat{c}_{i\uparrow} \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (S5)$$

while for odd sites, we use (purely in terms of matrix elements) in the MPO, $\hat{F}_{odd} = \hat{Z}\hat{F}$, instead (cf. discussion with Eq. (S2); [19]), with the Hermitian conjugate $(\hat{Z}\hat{F})^{\dagger} = \hat{F}^{\dagger}\hat{Z}$. Therefore introducing $\tilde{Z}_i \in {\{\hat{I}, \hat{Z}\}}$ for even (odd) sites *i*, respectively, this takes care of the alternating sign structure, as illustrated in Fig. S1(c), and consistent with Eq. (S1).

Overall, assuming i < j with similar Fermionic order in that site *i* is added to the many body state space before site *j*, the

hopping term $\hat{h}_{i,i}$ can thus be represented as

$$\hat{h}_{i,j} = (\hat{F}^{\dagger} \tilde{Z})_i \otimes \hat{Z}_{i+1} \otimes \dots \otimes \hat{Z}_{j-1} \otimes (\hat{Z} \tilde{Z} \hat{F})_j.$$
(S6)

Given the bipartite lattice structure, therefore up to the dagger, the same \hat{F} (or $\hat{Z}\hat{F}$) is applied at both sites *i* and *j* depending on whether *i* is even (or odd), respectively.

5. Exponential cooling and expectation values

XTRG requires the MPO of the Hamiltonian as input for initialization. Therefore when building the MPO for the Hamiltonian, this is the only place where fermionic signs play a role. Thereafter XTRG follows an automated machinery. We compute the thermal density operator $\hat{\rho}(\beta/2)$, and then estimate thermodynamics quantities, entanglement, and correlations from it. We start with a very high-*T* density operator $\hat{\rho}_0(\tau)$ at inverse temperature $\tau \ll 1$, obtained via the series expansion [20]

$$\hat{\rho}_0(\tau) = \sum_k \frac{(-\tau)^k}{k!} \hat{H}^k.$$

Here the initial τ can be exponential small, which thus limits the series expansion to very few terms to already reach machine precision for the initial $\hat{\rho}_0(\tau)$. Then, we cool down the system exponentially by squaring the density matrix. The *n*-th XTRG iteration yields

$$\hat{\rho}_{n-1}(2^n\tau) \otimes \hat{\rho}_{n-1}(2^n\tau) \to \hat{\rho}_n(2^{n+1}\tau).$$
(S7)

With $\hat{\rho}_n(2^{n+1}\tau)$, we can compute thermal expectation values at inverse temperatures $\beta_n = 2^{n+2}\tau$ using the thermofield double trick of purification [11, 15, 21], equivalent to the simple procedure in Fig. 1.

One advantage in the fermion XTRG is its simplicity. In the cooling step $\hat{\rho}_{n-1} \otimes \hat{\rho}_{n-1} \rightarrow \hat{\rho}_n$ in Eq. (S7), no fermion parity operators \hat{Z} are involved when we perform MPO iteration and compression just as for spin/boson systems. Besides, in the calculations of density-density correlations such as spin-spin and hole-hole(-doublon) correlations, the charge quantum numbers *C* in the *q*-label of operators \hat{S} and \hat{h} (\hat{d}) are always even, and thus the Jordan-Wigner string consists of trivial identity operators and can also be safely ignored, as illustrated in Fig. 1(a) of the main text. Even though not required here, also fermionic correlations can be computed within fermionic XTRG, and proceeds completely analogous to fermionic MPS expectation values, then also with a Jordan Wigner string stretching in between sites *i* and *j*.

B. Convergence check and extrapolation

Here we provide detailed convergency check of the spin correlation functions shown in the main text. As shown in Fig. S2, with up to $D^* = 800(900)$ SU(2)-invariant multiplets kept for L = 6(8) half-filling systems, the truncation errors are within 5×10^{-3} for the covered temperature range. Note that,

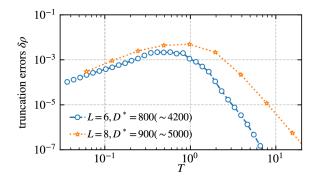


FIG. S2. Truncation errors in XTRG simulations. In the half-filled $L \times L$ Hubbard lattice with U = 7.2, L = 6, 8, the truncation errors $\delta \rho$ in XTRG simulations are shown versus temperature T.

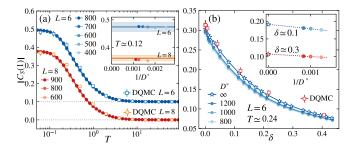


FIG. S3. *XTRG+DQMC bechmark results*. (a) NN spin correlation $|C_S(d = 1)|$ of half-filled square-lattice Hubbard system for U = 7.2 and sizes L = 6, 8, with $D^* = 400-900$. The L = 6 data have been shifted upwards by 0.1, for the sake of readability. In the inset, $|C_S|$ at low temperature $T \approx 0.12$ is shown versus $1/D^*$, with the DQMC results [mean (line) and standard deviation (color matched shaded region)] provided. (b) Upon doping, $|C_S(1)|$ is shown as a function of δ for L = 6 system at $T \approx 0.24$ (the lowest temperature reachable by DQMC, before the sign problem becomes prohibitive; cf. Fig. S7), with $D^* = 800-1200$. Linear extrapolations $1/D^* \rightarrow 0$ are performed, with the extrapolations at $\delta \approx 0.1, 0.3$ are shown in the inset. In both panels, the DQMC results are also shown for comparison as depicted by the square symbols.

different from DMRG, the truncation errors translated directly into the relative errors of free energy, i.e., $\delta f/f \sim O(10^{-3})$, which guarantees an excellent agreement of our XTRG results with DQMC data and cold-atom measurements.

In Fig. S3(a), at half filled cases, we show the spin correlation function $C_S(d = 1)$ for different system size L = 6, 8, versus temperature T with various bond dimensions $D^* = 400$ -900. For better readability, C_S is shifted upwards by 0.1, for L = 6 system. As shown, in the whole temperature regime, for both L = 6, 8 systems, all C_S curves lie on top of each other, showing good agreement with the DQMC data. In the inset, C_S at a low temperature $T \simeq 0.12$ are collected at various D^* , showing excellent convergency versus $1/D^*$. In Fig. S3(b), $|C_S(d = 1)|$ is shown as a function of hole doping δ for L = 6system, with $D^* = 800$ -1200, at $T \simeq 0.24$. At each doping rate, the XTRG data exhibit good linearity with $1/D^*$, enabling us to perform a linear extrapolation to $1/D^* = 0$. As

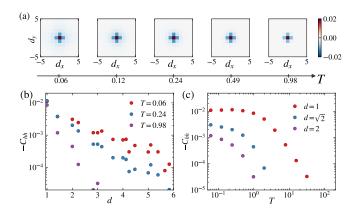


FIG. S4. *Hole-hole correlation at doped cases.* (a) Hole-hole correlation $C_{hh}(d)$, plotted as function of displacement d_x , d_y along the horizontal and vertical directions, at various temperatures, for 6×6 system at fixed $\mu = 1.5$ (U = 7.2). (b) $C_{hh}(d)$ vs. d at various temperatures, and (c) $C_{hh}(d)$ vs. T for various distances d = 1, $\sqrt{2}$, 2.

shown, the extrapolation value shows good qualitative agreement with the DQMC results. In the inset, the detailed extrapolations $1/D^* \rightarrow 0$ at around $\delta \simeq 0.1$ and $\delta \simeq 0.3$ are provided.

C. Charge Correlations in the Doped Fermi-Hubbard Model

1. Hole-hole and hole-doublon correlations

In this section, we provide more results on charge correlations

$$C_{hl}(d) = \frac{1}{N_d} \sum_{|i-j|=d} \langle \hat{h}_i \hat{l}_j \rangle - \langle \hat{h}_i \rangle \langle \hat{l}_j \rangle,$$
(S8)

with $l \in \{h, d\}$ corresponding to $\hat{l} \in \{\hat{h}, \hat{d}\}$, where $\hat{h}_i \equiv |0\rangle\langle 0|$ and $\hat{d}_i \equiv |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle\langle\uparrow\downarrow|$ are projectors into the empty and double occupied states, respectively. We consider a 6 × 6 system and set $\mu = 1.5$ throughout.

Figure S4(a) shows the hole-hole correlation C_{hh} plotted versus d_x and d_y from low (left) to high temperatures (right). There clearly exists a non-local anticorrelation in the spatial distribution, having $C_{hh} \leq 0$ throughout, and decays roughly exponentially with distance for any fixed T [Fig. S4(b)]. When plotted vs. T as in Fig. S4(c), the hole-hole anticorrelation persists to relatively high temperature [$T \leq 2$], beyond which it rapidly decays to zero. Note also that around $T \approx 2$ for given fixed $\mu = 1.5$, a maximal doping $\delta \approx 0.17$ is reached [see Fig. 3(c) in the main text]. This appears naturally related to the energy scale of the half-bandwidth 2t = 2 for the kinetic energy of the 2D square lattice (ignoring the chemical potential since $\delta \ll 1$).

A completely analogous analysis is performed for the holedoublon correlations C_{hd} as showns in Fig. S5. Figure S5(a) shows C_{hd} vs. d_x and d_y at various temperatures, where we observe nonlocal correlations between the hole-doublon pairs. Figure S5(b,c) shows that C_{hd} decays rapidly with increas-

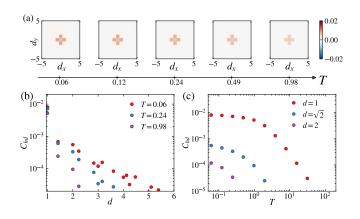


FIG. S5. *Hole-doublon correlation at doped cases*. Same layout as in Fig. S4 otherwise.

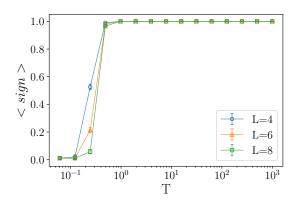


FIG. S7. DQMC average sign versus lattice size L and temperature T. In the calculations, the chemical potential is fixed at $\mu = 1.5$, which corresponds to the data of Fig. 3 in the main text.

2. Antimoment correlations

In this section, we provide the results of antimoment correlation,

$$C_{\alpha\alpha}(d) = \frac{1}{N_d} \sum_{|i-i|=d} \langle \hat{\alpha}_i \hat{\alpha}_j \rangle - \langle \hat{\alpha}_i \rangle \langle \hat{\alpha}_j \rangle$$
(S9a)

$$= C_{hh} + 2C_{hd} + C_{dd} , \qquad (S9b)$$

with $\hat{\alpha}_i \equiv \hat{h}_i + \hat{d}_i$. This can be directly compared with existing experimental data [22] for $d = \sqrt{2}$ and d = 2. Figure S6(a,b) shows $C_{\alpha\alpha}$ vs. doping δ , where a qualitative agreement with the experimental data can be observed. In both Fig. S6(a,b), near half-filling a weak bunching effect is present. Thereafter the antimoments soon exhibit strong anti-bunching effect as one dopes some holes into the system ($\delta \ge 3\%$ for $d = \sqrt{2}$ and $\delta \ge 5\%$ for d = 2).

Within XTRG, we can also compute all the partial contributions to the antimoment correlations as in Eq. (S9b). The doublon-doublon correlation C_{dd} is negligibly small due to the rare density of doublons considering hole-doping for large U = 7.2. We thus only provide the results of $C_{hh}(d)$ and $C_{hd}(d)$ vs. doping in Fig. S6(c,d). Over the entire hole-doping regime considered in the present work, the hole-hole correlation $C_{hh}(d)$ exhibits antibunching while the hole-doublon correlation $C_{hd}(d)$ exhibits bunching, for both $d = \sqrt{2}$ in Fig. S6(c) and d = 2 in Fig. S6(d).

In the vicinity of half-filling, i.e., at low doping, the holehole correlation C_{hh} in Fig. S6(c,d) becomes smaller (in absolute values) as compared to the hole-doublon $C_{hd} > 0$. This is responsible for the bunching of antimoments at low doping [Fig. S6(a,b)]. However, when more holes are doped into the system, e.g., $\delta \gtrsim 5$ % as shown in Fig. S6, the hole-hole repulsion becomes predominant and thus leads to the overall antibunching of antimoments.

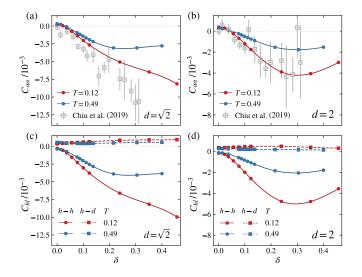


FIG. S6. Antimoment correlation functions. The antimoment correlations $C_{\alpha\alpha}(d)$ with (a) $d = \sqrt{2}$ and (b) d = 2 are shown vs. δ at two different temperatures T = 0.12 and 0.49. The experimental data at $T/t \simeq 0.25$ are also shown for comparison. The hole-hole ('h-h') and hole-doublon ('h-d') correlation function C_{hl} with (c) $d = \sqrt{2}$ and (d) d = 2 are shown versus doping δ . The results are computed on a 6×6 square lattice (U = 7.2).

ing distance d, and the hole-doublon correlation again persist to a relatively high temperature $T \sim 2$. Overall, the results in Figs. S4 and S5 show that the repulsive hole-hole and attractive hole-doublon pairs are mainly limited to nearestneighboring sites, as expected given the sizable Coulomb interaction U = 7.2.

D. DQMC simulation and average sign in the doped cases

We investigate the 2D square lattice Hubbard model with determinantal QMC simulations. The quartic term in Eq. (1) of the main text,

$$U\hat{n}_{i\uparrow}\hat{n}_{i\downarrow}=-\frac{U}{2}(\hat{n}_{i\uparrow}-\hat{n}_{i\downarrow})^2+\frac{U}{2}(\hat{n}_{i\uparrow}+\hat{n}_{i\downarrow})$$

is decoupled by a Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation to a form quadratic in $(\hat{n}_{i\uparrow} - \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}) = (\hat{c}^{\dagger}_{i\uparrow}\hat{c}_{i\uparrow} - \hat{c}^{\dagger}_{i\downarrow}c_{i\downarrow})$ coupled to an auxiliary Ising field on each lattice site [23]. The particular decomposition above has the advantage that the auxiliary fields can be chosen real. The DQMC procedure obtains the partition function of the underlying Hamiltonian in a path integral formulation in a space of dimension $N = L \times L$ and an imaginary time τ up to $\beta = 1/T$. The auxiliary Ising field lives on the $L \times L \times \beta$ space-time configurational space and each specific configuration gives rise to one term in the configurational sum of the partition function. All of the physical observables are measured from the ensemble average over the space-time $(N\beta)$ configurational weights of the auxiliary fields. As a consequence, the errors within the process are well controlled; specifically, the $(\Delta \tau)^2$ systematic error from the imaginarytime discretization, $\Delta \tau = \beta / M$, is controlled by the extrapolation $M \to \infty$ and the statistical error is controlled by the central-limit theorem.

The DQMC algorithm employed in this work is based on Ref. [23] and has been refined by including global moves to

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improve ergodicity and delay updating of the fermion Green function. This improves the efficiency of the Monte Carlo sampling [24]. We have performed simulations for system sizes L = 4, 6, 8. The interaction is set as U = 7.2 and we simulate temperatures from T = 0.061 to 1000 (inverse temperatures $\beta = 0.001$ to 16.39).

We comment briefly on the sign problem in the Monte Carlo sampling which becomes pronounced at finite doping. In general, the computational complexity in the presence of minus sign grows exponentially in the space-time volume $N\beta$. This is because the correct physical observable now must include the effect of the sign of each Monte Carlo weight. One common practice is to use the absolute value of the weight to continue the Monte Carlo simulation, and then the expectation value becomes $\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \frac{\langle \hat{O} \cdot sign \rangle}{\langle sign \rangle}$.

Since the expectation value of the averaged sign, $\langle sign \rangle$, scales as $e^{-\beta N}$, one cannot further extrapolate to the thermodynamic limit in this manner, as the error bar of any physical observables will explode. However, for finite size systems as investigated in this work, there is no problem of performing DQMC and obtaining unbiased results before $\langle sign \rangle$ becomes too small. As shown in Fig. S7, for our system sizes L = 4, 6, 8at chemical potential of $\mu = 1.5$ [cf. Fig. 3 (c) of the main text], the average sign is still affordable down to T = 0.244for L = 6, 8 [cf. Fig. S3(b)].

Other DQMC parameters of the doped case, with minus sign problem in the main text, are investigated in a similar manner before the average sign becomes too small.

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