



Diagrammatic theory for correlated electrons out of equilibrium

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Outline

Motivation / physics: see Philipp's talk

- The Keldysh contour
- Contour-ordered Green's functions
- The Dyson equation in real time: Kadanoff Baym equations
- Numerical solution of the Kadanoff Baym equations
- Construction of Keldysh Diagrams

NESSi:

A software package to deal with real-time Keldysh Green's functions

- ⇒ Basis for diagrammatic perturbation theory in real-time
- ⇒ Basis for non-equilibrium DMFT

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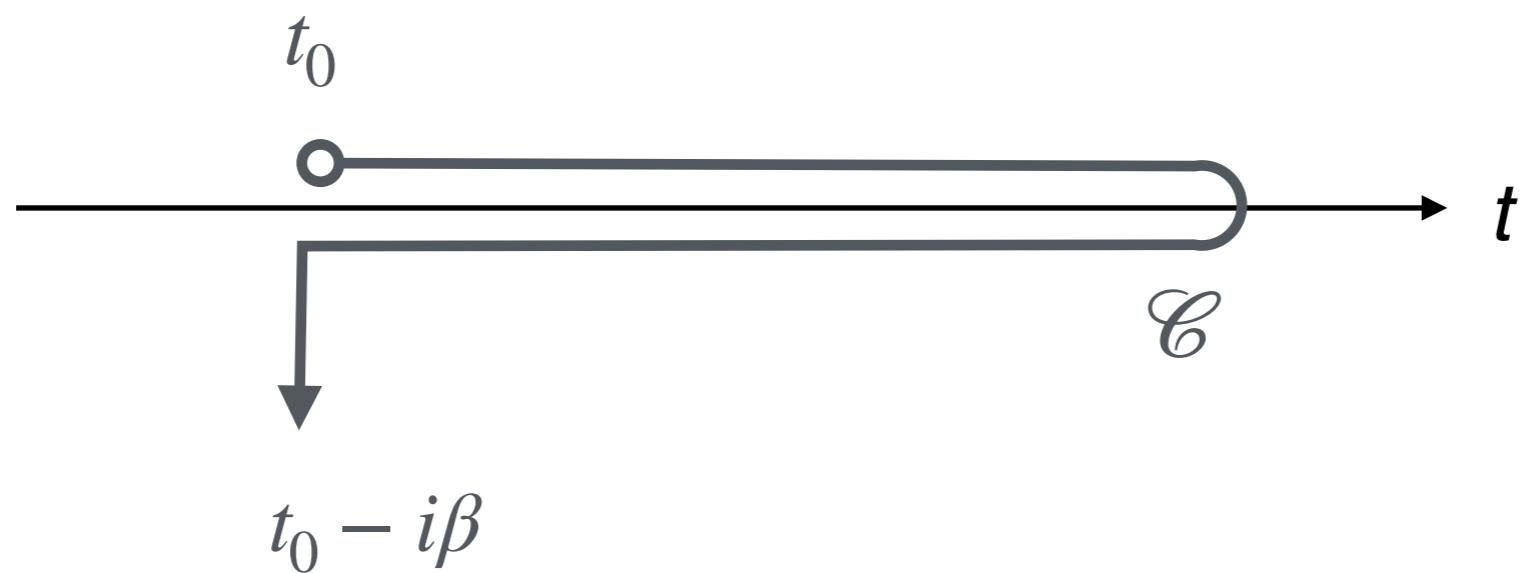
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Keldysh Contour



General setting:

- initial state $|\Psi_i\rangle$ or density matrix $\rho = \sum_i w_i |\Psi_i\rangle\langle\Psi_i| = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H(t_0)}$
 - time evolution $|\Psi_i(t)\rangle = \underbrace{\mathcal{U}(t, t_0)}_{\#} |\Psi_i\rangle \quad \# = T_t \exp\left(-i \int_{t_0}^t d\bar{t} H(\bar{t})\right)$
- ⇒ time-dependent expectation values?

$$\langle O(t) \rangle = \sum_i w_i \langle \Psi_i(t) | O | \Psi_i(t) \rangle = \text{tr} \left[\rho \mathcal{U}(t_0, t) O \mathcal{U}(t, t_0) \right]$$

Motivation example: Quench in the Hubbard model

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} + U(t) \sum_j n_{j,\uparrow} n_{j,\downarrow} \quad U(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ U & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

Initial state $\rho_0 \sim e^{-H(t<0)/T_0}$... time evolution of closed system

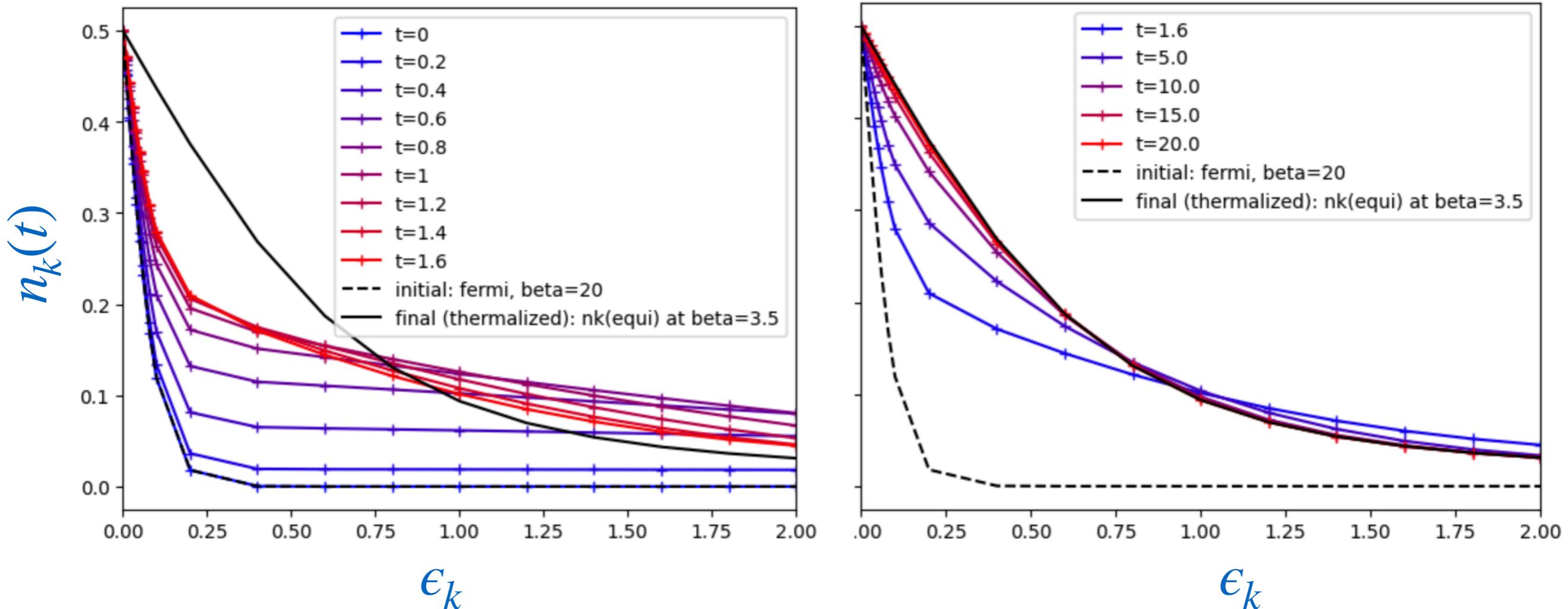
⇒ Thermalization ?

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Final state looks like } \rho_f \sim e^{-H/T_f} \\ T_f \text{ conserved energy } \text{tr}(H\rho_0) = \text{tr}(H\rho_f) \end{array} \right.$

Motivation example: Quench in the Hubbard model

Relaxation of the momentum occupation $n_k(t) = \langle c_k^\dagger(t)c_k(t) \rangle$

(J=1, U=2, [time]= \hbar/J , Bethe lattice, 2nd order perturbation theory)



“Rest of this talk”: How to obtain these results

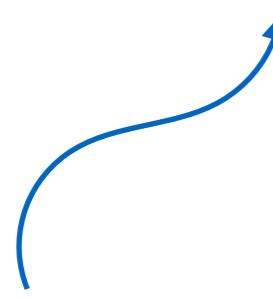
Keldysh contour

$$\langle O(t) \rangle = \text{tr} \left[\rho \mathcal{U}(t_0, t) O \mathcal{U}(t, t_0) \right]$$

⇒ Representation as contour-ordered expectation value:

$$= \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr} \left[\left(T_\tau e^{-\int_0^\beta d\tau H(t_0)} \right) \left(\bar{T}_t e^{-i \int_t^{t_0} d\bar{t} H(\bar{t})} \right) O \left(T_t e^{-i \int_{t_0}^t d\bar{t} H(\bar{t})} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr} \left[T_{\mathcal{C}} e^{-i \int_{\mathcal{C}} d\bar{t} H(\bar{t})} O(t) \right]$$



$$\text{Contour ordering } T_{\mathcal{C}} A(t) B(t') = \begin{cases} A(t)B(t') & t \text{ later on } \mathcal{C} \\ \pm B(t')A(t) & t \text{ earlier on } \mathcal{C} \end{cases}$$



Contour-ordered correlation functions

Analogous: Two- and N-point correlation functions:

$$\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} A(t) B(t') \dots \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr} \left(T_{\mathcal{C}} e^{-i \int_{\mathcal{C}} d\bar{t} H(\bar{t})} A(t) B(t') \dots \right)$$

e.g., for $t'_- >_{\mathcal{C}} t_+$:

$$\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} A(t_+) B(t'_-) \rangle =$$
$$= \pm \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr} \left[\rho [U(t_0, t')] B U(t', t) A U(t, t_0) \right]$$

real-time-correlation
function

Contour ordering: convenient bookkeeping of different operator orderings
(... which all have different physical significance, see below)

(Anti)periodic boundary condition (cyclic permutation under trace)

$$\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} A(0_+) B(t') \dots \rangle = \pm \langle T_{\mathcal{C}} A(-i\beta) B(t') \dots \rangle$$

Keldysh path integral

- Contour-ordered ordered evolution operator on “closed contour” has path integral representation of analogous to imaginary-time contour:

$$\text{tr}\left(T_{\mathcal{C}} e^{-i \int_{\mathcal{C}} d\bar{t} H(\bar{t})} \dots\right) = \int \mathcal{D}[\bar{c}, c] e^{i S_{\mathcal{C}}} \dots \quad S_{\mathcal{C}} = \int_{\mathcal{C}} dt [\bar{c}(t) i \partial_t c(t) - H(t)]$$

integrate over all (anti)-periodic path $c(0_+) = \pm c(-i\beta)$

- Check: Restriction to imag. time contour: $t = -i\tau$, $\tau \in [0, \beta]$:

$$i \int_{\mathcal{C}} dt \rightarrow \int_0^{\beta} d\tau, \quad \partial_t \rightarrow i \partial_{\tau} \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{i S_{\mathcal{C}}} \rightarrow e^{- \int_0^{\beta} d\tau [\bar{c} \partial_{\tau} c + H(t)]}$$

usual imaginary time action

⇒ Concepts like Wick’s theorem, effective action, diagrammatic perturbation theory, field theoretical tricks like Hubbard Stratonovich transformation ... carry over 1:1 to Keldysh formalism

Contour-ordered Green's functions

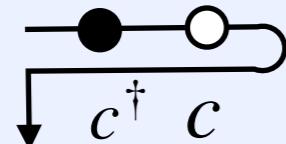
- Contour-ordered Green's functions

$$G(t, x, t', x') = -i \langle T_C c_x(t) c_{x'}^\dagger(t') \rangle:$$

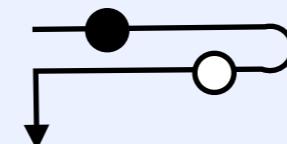
x, x' : spin/orbital/momentum indices, omitted in the following $\Rightarrow G(t, t')$ is a matrix in orbital indices

- \mathcal{C} -ordering \equiv bookkeeping of operator orderings ... here there are 9:

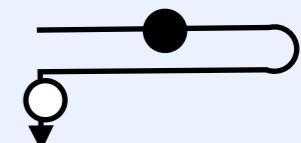
$$G(t_+, t'_+) = \\ \equiv G^t(t, t')$$



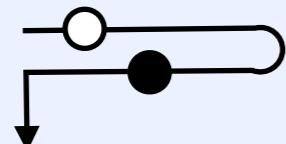
$$G(t_-, t'_+) = \\ -i \langle c(t) c^\dagger(t') \rangle \equiv G^>(t, t')$$



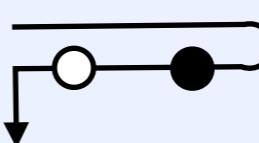
$$G(-i\tau, t_+) = \\ \equiv G^{vt}(\tau, t')$$



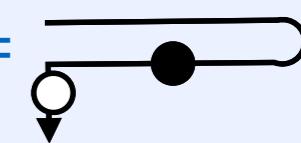
$$G(t_+, t'_-) = \\ i \langle c^\dagger(t') c(t) \rangle \equiv G^<(t, t')$$



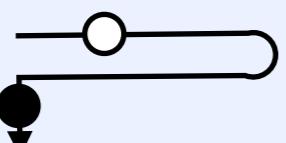
$$G(t_-, t'_-) = \\ \equiv G^{\bar{t}}(t, t')$$



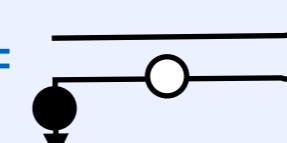
$$G(-i\tau, t_-) = \\ = G^{vt}(\tau, t')$$



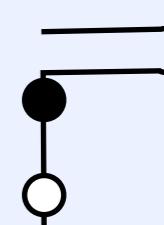
$$G(t_+, -i\tau) = \\ \equiv G^{tv}(t, \tau)$$



$$G(t_-, -i\tau) = \\ = G^{tv}(t, \tau)$$



$$G(-i\tau, -i\tau') = \\ = -i \langle T_\tau c(\tau) c^\dagger(\tau') \rangle \\ = i G^M(\tau - \tau')$$

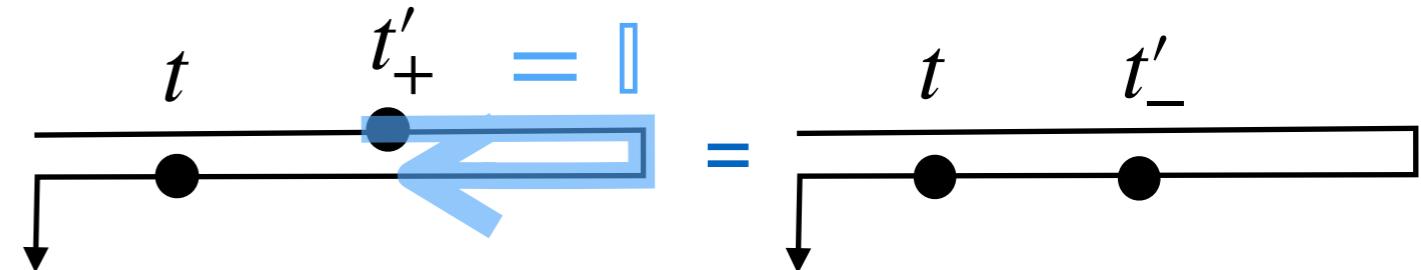


Redundancy among the components of the $G(t,t')$

Causal structure:

“Largest time-argument of any two-time function can be on any contour”

$$t' > t \Rightarrow G(t, t'_+) = G(t, t'_-)$$



⇒ Redundancy:

$$G_{++}(t, t') = \underbrace{\theta(t - t') G_{-+}(t, t')}_{=G^>(t, t')} + \underbrace{\theta(t' - t) G_{+-}(t, t')}_{=G^<(t, t')}$$

$$G_{--}(t, t') = \theta(t - t') G_{+-}(t, t') + \theta(t' - t) G_{-+}(t, t')$$

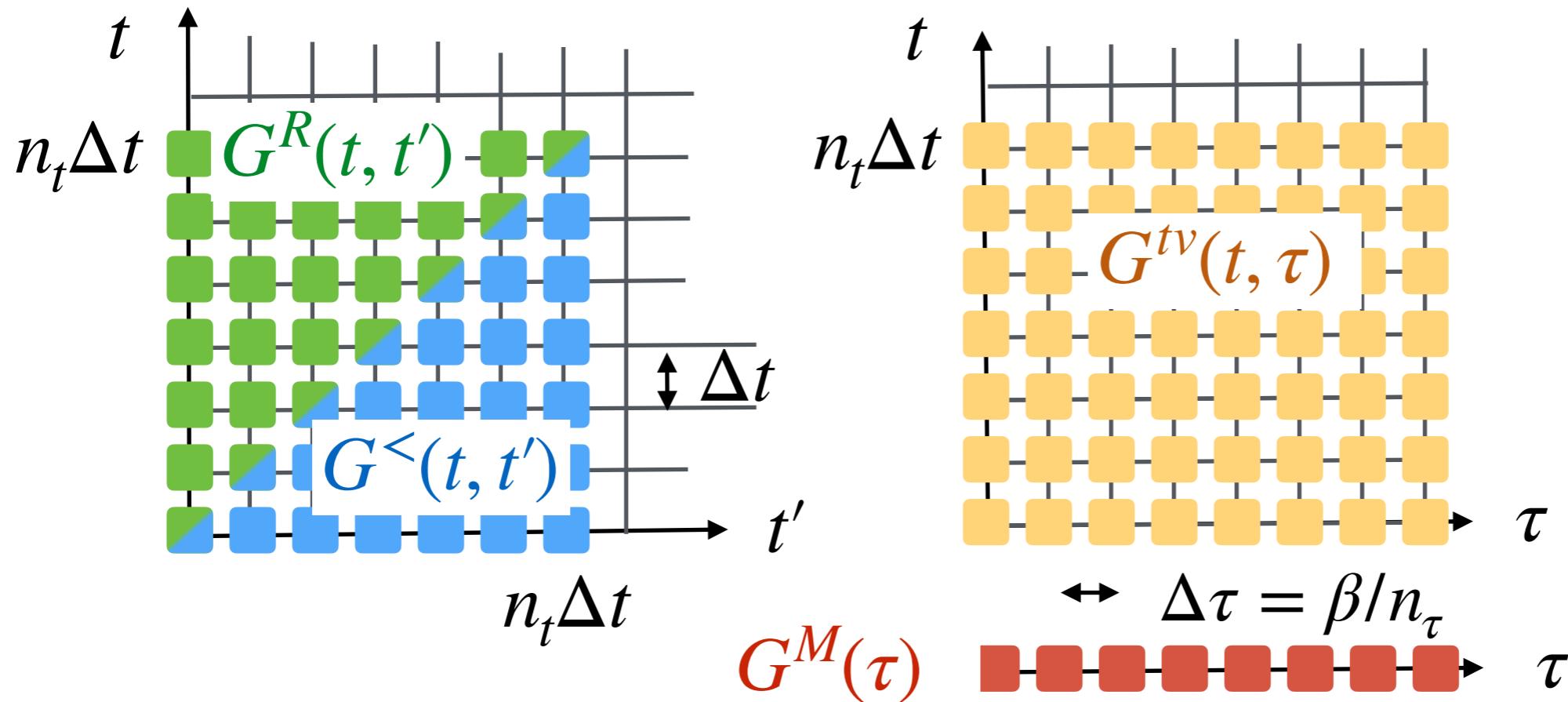
$$G_{v+}(\tau, t) = G_{v-}(\tau, t) \quad G_{+\nu}(t, \tau) = G_{-\nu}(t, \tau)$$

⇒ Non-redundant parametrization?

For analytical calculations on two-branch contour: Keldysh matrices
Here: $G^R, G^<, G^{tv}, G^M$

Complete set of components (used in NESSi)

Retarded $G^R(t, t') = \theta(t - t')[G^>(t, t') - G^<(t, t')]$, for $t \geq t'$
 lesser, mixed, Matsubara



Note: This is only “half of the information” ...

But in many cases, $G(t, t')$ has hermitian symmetry:

$$G^<(t, t') = -[G^<(t', t)]^\dagger, \quad G^>(t, t') = -[G^>(t', t)]^\dagger$$

$$G^{tv}(t, \tau) = \pm [G^{vt}(\beta - \tau, t)]^\dagger$$

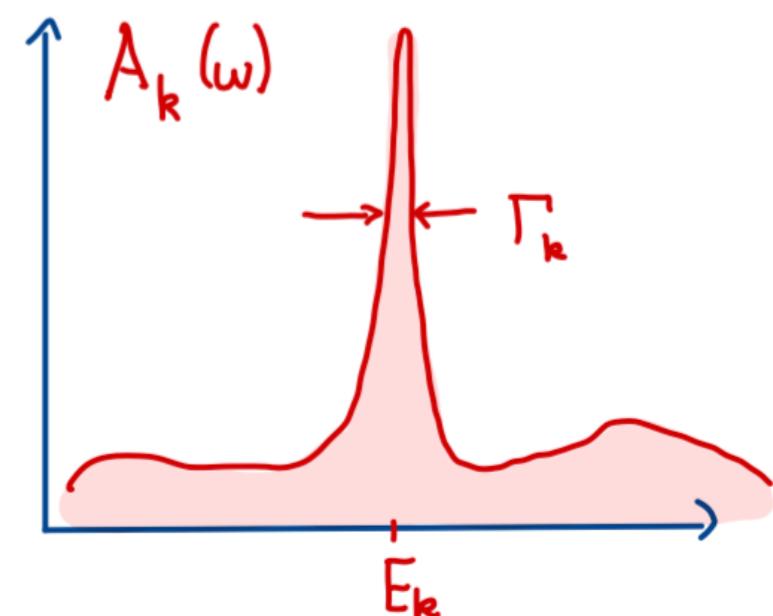
$$G^A(t, t') = [G^R(t', t)]^\dagger$$

Equilibrium Green's functions

In equilibrium, i.e., $H(t) = H$, $\rho \sim e^{-\beta H}$:

- $$\begin{aligned} G^R(t - t') &= -i\theta(t - t')\langle [c(t), c^\dagger(t')]_+ \rangle \\ &= \theta(t - t')[G^>(t - t') - G^<(t - t')] \end{aligned}$$

⇒ spectral function:
$$A(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im } G^R(\omega + i0)$$



- Relation to imag time:
$$G^M(\tau) = - \int d\omega A(\omega) e^{-\omega\tau} f(-\omega)$$

- “fluctuation dissipation relations”:

$$G^<(t - t') = i\langle c^\dagger(t')c(t) \rangle \text{ hole propagator}$$

⇒
$$G^<(\omega) = 2\pi i A(\omega) f(\omega)$$
 “occupied DOS”, photoemission

$$G^>(t - t') = -i\langle c(t)c^\dagger(t') \rangle \text{ electron propagator}$$

⇒
$$G^>(\omega) = -2\pi i A(\omega)[1 - f(\omega)]$$
 “unoccupied density of states”

Non-equilibrium Green's functions

Equilibrium:

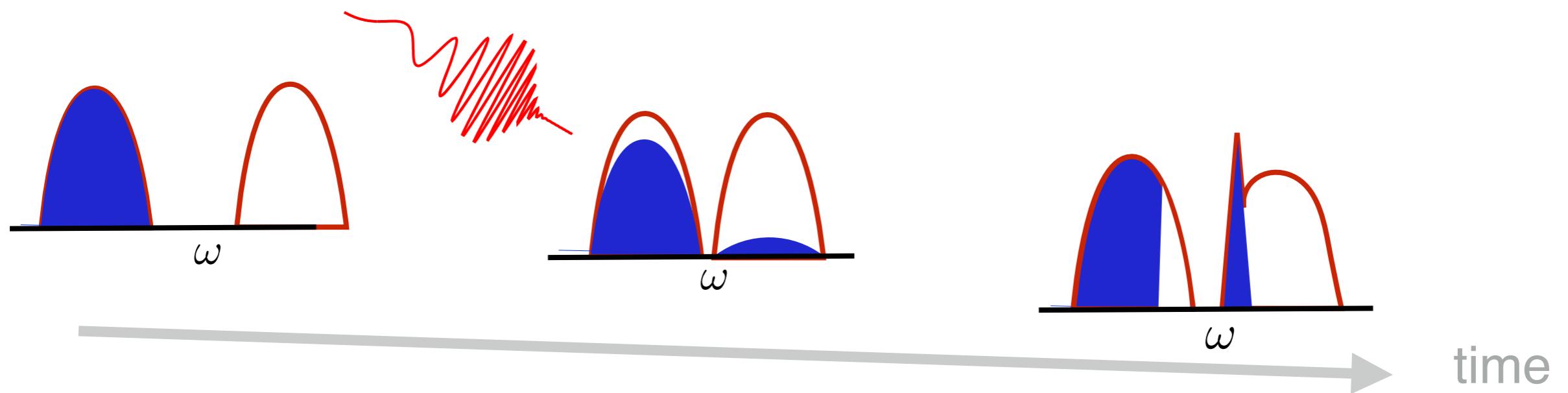
- Time translational invariance
- All two-point Green's functions related to spectrum and universal distribution function $(e^{\beta\omega} \pm 1)^{-1}$
- Theory formulated in term of one Green's function
Matsubara formalism: $G(\tau)$... $A(\omega)$ from analytical continuation

Out of equilibrium:

- breaking of time-translational invariance $X(t, t')$ or $X(\omega, t)$
- non-universal distribution F: e.g., $G^<(\omega, t) = 2\pi i A(\omega, t)F(\omega, t)$

Non-equilibrium Green's functions

Keldysh formalism: Equations for contour-ordered Green's function \equiv coupled equations for time-dependent spectrum and occupation



- ⇒ Basis for many “standard” approximations:
 - Quantum Boltzmann equations: differential equation for $F(\omega, t)$, $A(\omega, t)$
 - Semiclassical approximations
 - see, e.g., A. Kamenev, Field theory of non-equilibrium systems
- ⇒ NESSI: Evaluation of real-time diagrammatic perturbation theory for contour-ordered Green's functions in (t, t') representation

From equations of motion to the Dyson equation

Free particles: Equation of motion

Free particles: $H = h(t)c^\dagger c$:

⇒ Closed Heisenberg equations of motion $i\partial_t c(t) = h(t)c(t)$:

⇒ Equation of motion for G

$$G(t, t') = -i\theta_C(t, t')\langle c(t)c^\dagger(t) \rangle + i\theta_C(t', t)\langle c(t)c^\dagger(t) \rangle:$$

$$\Rightarrow i\partial_t G(t, t') = \underbrace{\partial_t \theta_C(t, t')\langle [c, c^\dagger]_+ \rangle}_{\equiv \delta_C(t, t')} + h(t)G(t, t')$$

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} dt' \delta_C(t, t') g(t') = g(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow [i\partial_t - h(t)]G(t, t') = \delta_C(t, t')$$

Check: Restricted to imag branch $[-\partial_\tau - h]G(\tau) = \delta(\tau)$ ✓

Free particles: Equation of motion

- Inverse operator notation: $G^{-1}(t, t') = \delta_{\mathcal{C}}(t, t')[i\partial_t - h(t)]$

$$G^{-1} * G = \mathbb{I} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{C}} dt_1 G^{-1}(t, t_1) G(t_1, t')}_{[i\partial_t - h(t)]G(t, t')} = \delta_{\mathcal{C}}(t, t')$$

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convolution

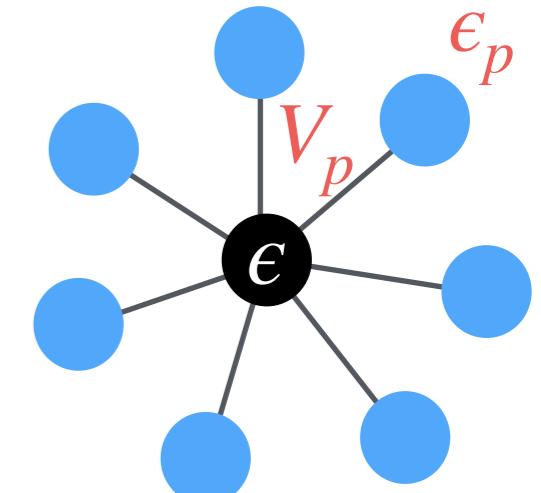
Equation has unique solution with (anti)-periodic boundary condition
 \Leftrightarrow inverse operator well-defined for (anti)-periodic functions

- Read off inverse G from Keldysh action:

$$\begin{aligned} iS_{\mathcal{C}} &= i \int_{\mathcal{C}} dt \bar{c}(t) (i\partial_t - h) c(t) \\ &= i \int_{\mathcal{C}} dt dt' \bar{c}(t) \underbrace{\left(\delta_{\mathcal{C}}(t, t')[i\partial_t - h(t)] \right)}_{G^{-1}(t, t')} c(t') = -\bar{c} * (-iG^{-1}) * c \\ &\quad = i\bar{c} * (G^{-1}) * c \\ \dots \langle c(t)\bar{c}(t') \rangle_S &= (-iG^{-1})^{-1}(t, t') = iG(t, t') \text{ from Gauss-integral} \end{aligned}$$

Embedding self-energy

$$H = \epsilon c^\dagger c + \underbrace{\sum_p \epsilon_p a_p^\dagger a_p}_{\text{bath}} + \sum_p (V_p(t) a_p^\dagger c + h.c.)$$



GF of isolated site

$$S = \bar{c} * (g_c^{-1}) * c + \sum_p \left[\bar{a}_p * (g_p^{-1}) * a_p - \bar{a}_p * (c V_p) - (\bar{V}_p \bar{c}) * a_p \right]$$

⇒ Integrate out bath: $iS_{eff}[\bar{c}, c] = i\bar{c} * (g_c^{-1} - \Delta) * c$

$$\Delta(t, t') = \sum_p \bar{V}_p(t) g_p(t, t') V_p(t')$$

$$\Rightarrow G^{-1}(t, t') = g_c^{-1}(t, t') - \Delta(t, t')$$

Alternative: derivation from coupled equations of motion for G

Dyson equation on \mathcal{C}

$$G^{-1}(t, t') = g_c^{-1}(t, t') - \Delta(t, t')$$

$$\Rightarrow G^{-1} * G = \mathbb{I} \quad \equiv \quad [i\partial_t - \epsilon]G(t, t') - [\Delta * G](t, t') = \delta_{\mathcal{C}}(t, t')$$

Integral-differential equation on \mathcal{C}

Solution: Projection on individual components

$$[-\partial_\tau - \epsilon]G^M(\tau) - [\Delta * G]^M(\tau) = \delta(\tau)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [i\omega_n - \epsilon - \Delta(i\omega_n)]G^M(i\omega_n) = 1$$

$$[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^{<,>}(t, t') - [\Delta * G]^{<,>}(t, t') = 0$$

$$[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^R(t, t') - [\Delta * G]^R(t, t') = \delta(t - t')$$

$$[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^{tv}(t, \tau) - [\Delta * G]^{tv}(t, \tau) = 0$$

Properties of convolution?

Langreth rules

E.g.: Component $C^{tv} = [A * B]^{tv}$

$$C(t_+, -i\tau) = + \int_0^t d\bar{t} \underbrace{A(t_+, \bar{t}_+)}_{A(t_-, \bar{t}_+) = A^>(t, \bar{t})} \underbrace{B(\bar{t}_+, -i\tau)}_{B^{tv}(\bar{t}, \tau)}$$

+ 0

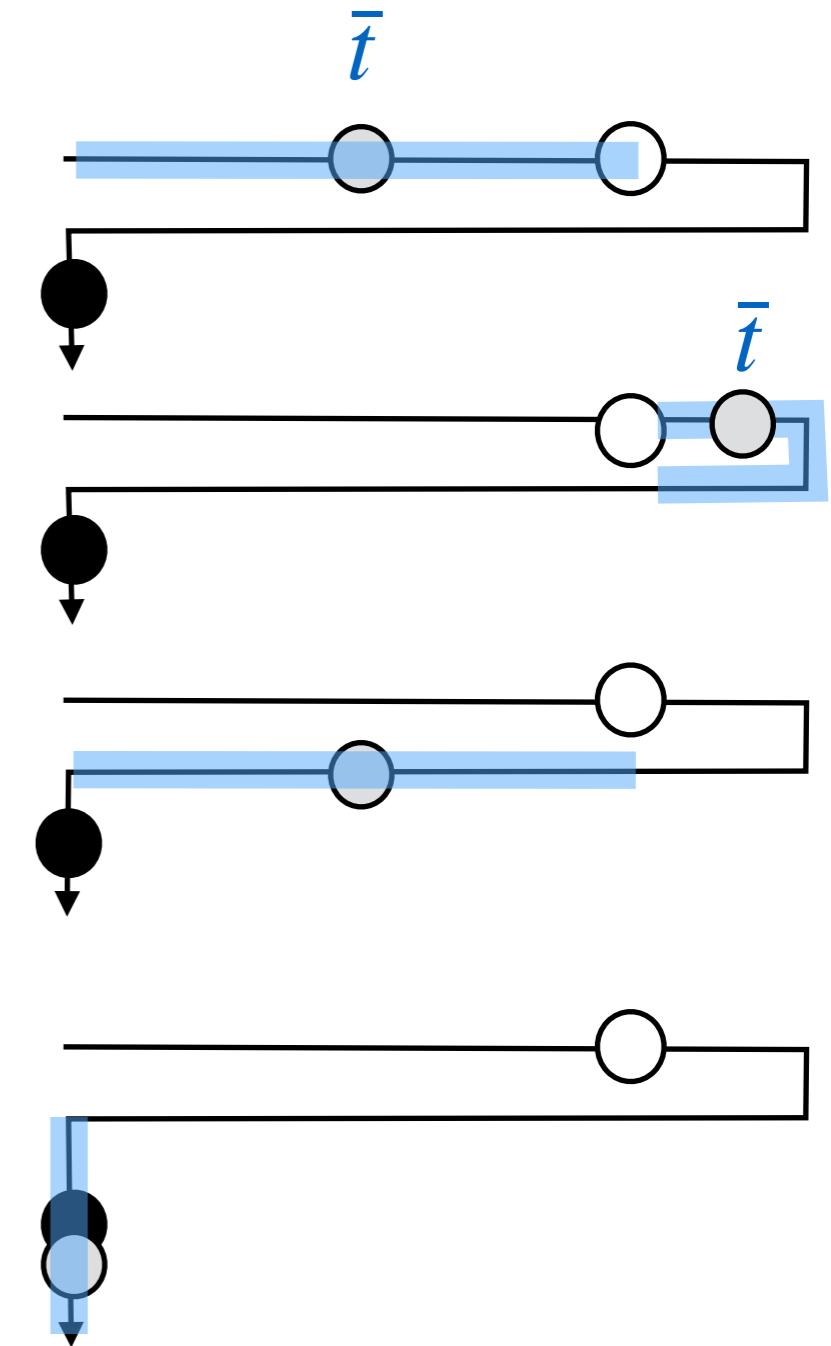
$$- \int_0^t d\bar{t} \underbrace{A(t_+, \bar{t}_-)}_{A^<(t, \bar{t})} \underbrace{B(\bar{t}_-, -i\tau)}_{B^{tv}(\bar{t}, \tau)}$$

$$- i \int_0^\beta d\bar{\tau} \underbrace{A(t_+, -i\bar{\tau})}_{A^{tv}(t, \bar{\tau})} \underbrace{B(-i\bar{\tau}, -i\tau)}_{iB^M(\bar{\tau} - \tau)}$$

Causality !



$$= \int_0^\beta d\bar{t} A^R(t, \bar{t}) B^{tv}(\bar{t}, \tau) + \int_0^\beta d\bar{\tau} A^{tv}(t, \bar{\tau}) B^M(\bar{\tau} - \tau)$$

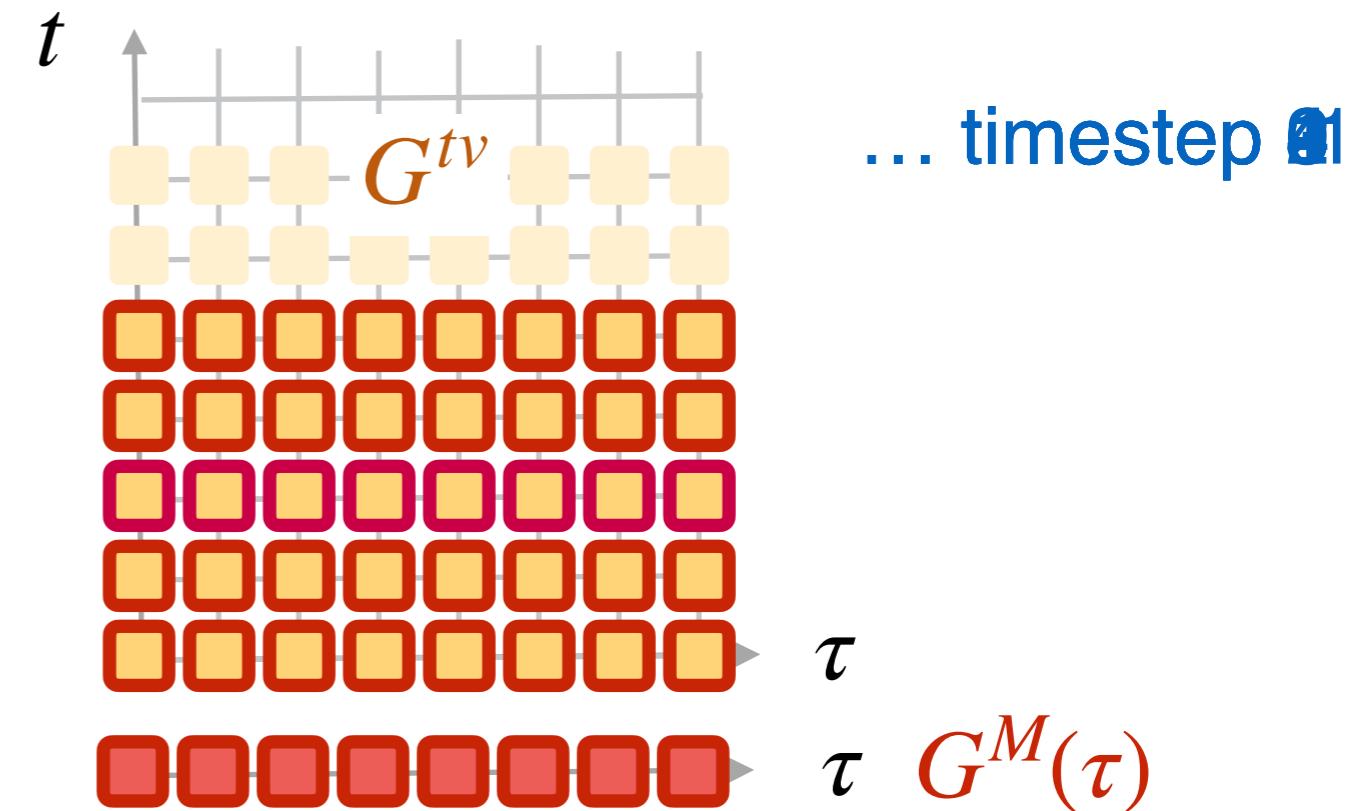
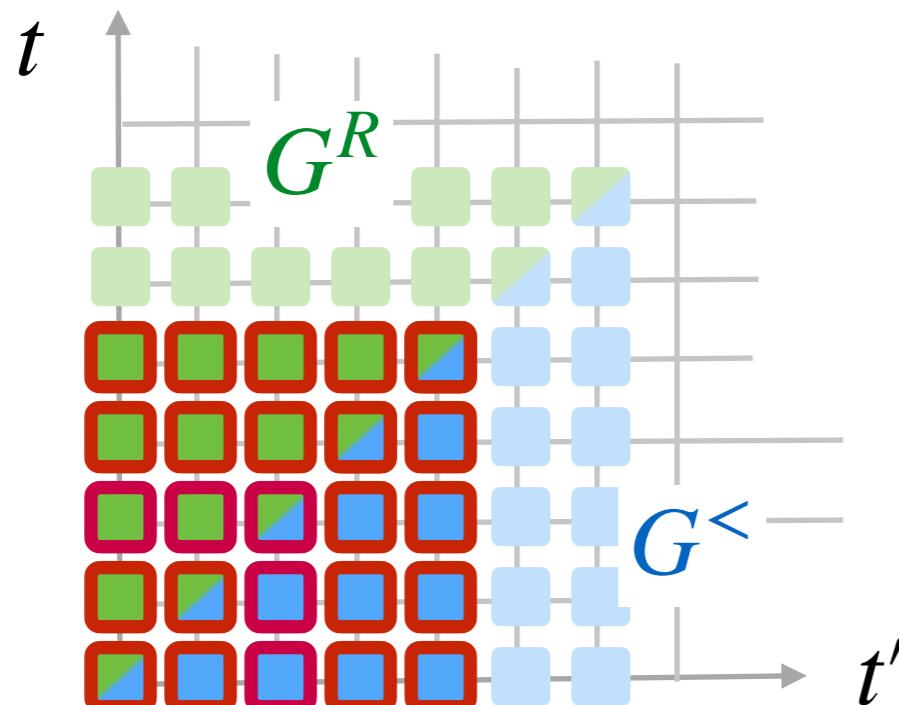


Causality in convolution:

Most important property of convolution, following from causality:

$C = A * B$ on “timeslice n” depends on
 A and B only on timeslice $m \leq n$

Timeslice:



Langreth rules

Dyson equation, broken down to components:

- $[-\partial_\tau - \epsilon]G^M(\tau) - \underbrace{[\Delta * G]^M(\tau)}_{\Delta^M * G^M} = \delta(\tau)$

independent of real time part, Solution in frequency $i\omega_n$

- $[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^R(t, t') - \underbrace{[\Delta * G]^R(t, t')}_{\Delta^R * G^R} = \delta(t - t')$

causal integral equations, solutions timestep by timestep

- $[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^{tv}(t, \tau) - \underbrace{[\Delta * G]^{tv}(t, \tau)}_{\Delta^R * G^{tv} + \Delta^{tv} * G^M} = 0$

“Kadanoff Baym equations”

- $[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^<(t, t') - \underbrace{[\Delta * G]^<(t, t')}_{\Delta^R * G^< + \Delta^{<} * G^A + \Delta^{tv} * G^{vt}} = 0$

Real-time Dyson equation

Example: Retarded component:

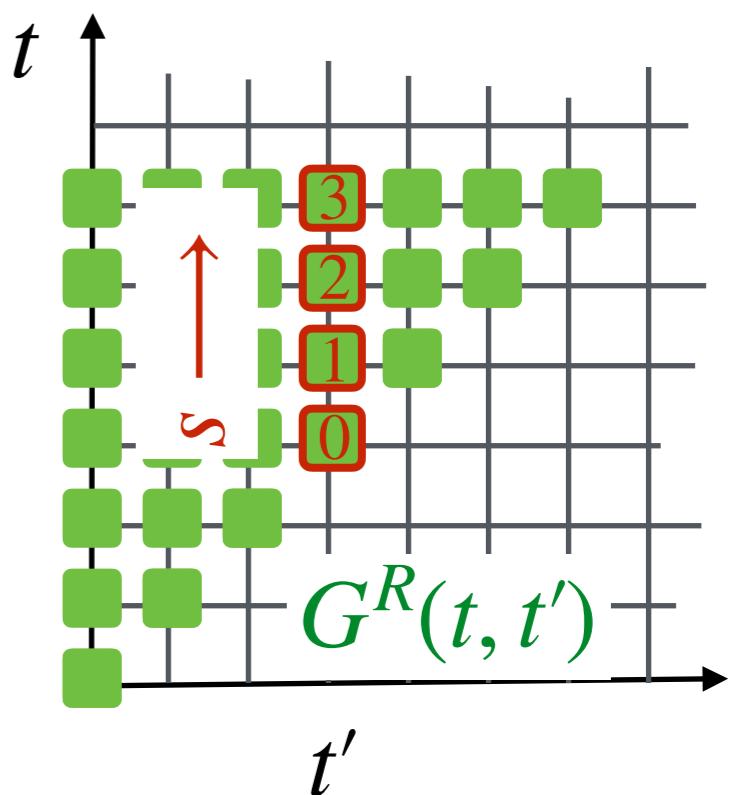
$$[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G^R(t, t') - \int_{t'}^t dt_1 \Delta^R(t, t_1)G^R(t_1, t') = \delta(t, t')$$

given t' : $y(s) \equiv G^R(t' + s, t')$

⇒ Volterra integral/differential equation:

$$[i\partial_s - \epsilon]y(s) - \int_0^s ds' K(s, s')y(s') = q(s)$$

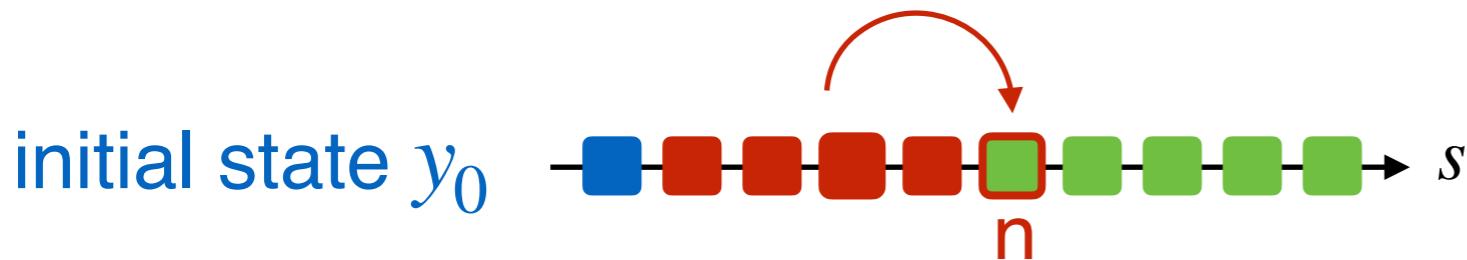
$$y(0) = -i$$



Volterra equation

$$[i\partial_s - \epsilon(s)]y(s) - \int_0^s ds' K(s, s')y(s') = q(s), \quad y(0) = y_0$$

⇒ Implicit scheme: Derivative / Integral at $s=n\Delta t$ in terms of $y_{m \leq n}$:



Integrators based on
Brunner & van Houwen, 1986

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{i(y_n - y_{n-1})}{\Delta t} + \epsilon_n y_n - \Delta t \left[\frac{1}{2} K_{n,n} y_n + K_{n,n-1} y_{n-1} + \dots + K_{n,1} y_1 + \frac{1}{2} K_{n,0} y_0 \right] = q_n$$

Integration scheme with accuracy $\mathcal{O}(\Delta t^{k+1})$:

- ⇒ k th order accurate derivative requires y_n, \dots, y_{n-k} (same for integral)
- ⇒ First k steps must be solved simultaneously together
(linear equation for (y_1, \dots, y_k))

Interacting Green's functions and perturbation theory

Wick's theorem for \mathcal{C} ordered functions

Noninteracting fermions (quadratic action)

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\bar{c}, c] e^{iS_{\mathcal{C}}} \quad iS_{\mathcal{C}} = - \sum_{j,j'} \bar{c}_j (-iG_0^{-1})_{jj'} c_j$$

⇒ Factorization of contour-ordered correlation functions:

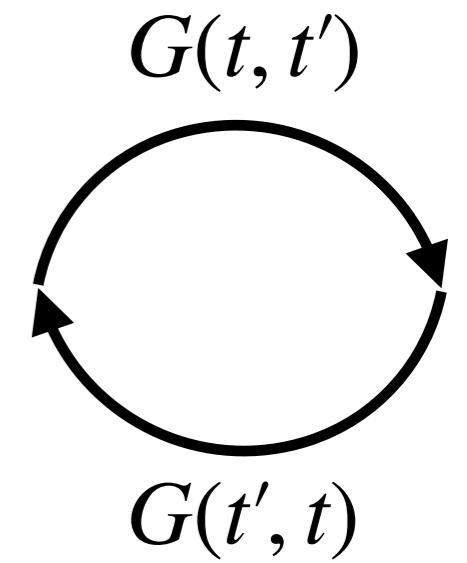
$$\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} c(t_1) \dots c(t_n) c^\dagger(t_{n'}) \dots c^\dagger(t_{1'}) \rangle = \langle c_1 \dots c_n \bar{c}_{n'} \dots c_{1'} \rangle_S$$

$$= \det \begin{pmatrix} \langle c_1 \bar{c}_{1'} \rangle_S & \dots & \langle c_1 \bar{c}_{n'} \rangle_S \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \langle c_n \bar{c}_{1'} \rangle_S & \dots & \langle c_n \bar{c}_{n'} \rangle_S \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} iG_{1,1'} & \dots & iG_{1,n'} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ iG_{n,1'} & \dots & iG_{n,n'} \end{pmatrix}$$

Wick's theorem for \mathcal{C} ordered functions

Wick's theorem for density-density correlation function

$$\begin{aligned}\chi(t, t') &= -i \left[\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} c^\dagger(t) c(t) c^\dagger(t') c(t') \rangle - \langle n(t) \rangle \langle n(t') \rangle \right] \\ &= -i \underbrace{\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} c^\dagger(t) c(t') \rangle}_{-iG(t',t)} \underbrace{\langle T_{\mathcal{C}} c(t) c^\dagger(t') \rangle}_{iG(t,t')} = -iG(t, t')G(t', t)\end{aligned}$$



Response function: $\chi^R(t, t') = -i\theta(t - t')\langle [n(t), n(t')] \rangle$

$$\chi^R(t, t') = \chi(t_-, t'_+) - \chi(t_+, t'_-) = -i \underbrace{G(t_-, t'_+) G(t'_+, t_-)}_{G^>(t,t')} + i \underbrace{G(t_+, t'_-) G(t'_-, t_+)}_{G^<(t,t')} = \underbrace{G^<(t,t')}_{G^<(t,t')} - \underbrace{G^>(t',t)}_{G^>(t',t)}$$

~ Usual analytical representation of response functions in equilibrium

$$\text{Im} \chi^R(\omega) \sim \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} A(\omega_1) A(\omega_2) [\bar{f}(\omega_1) f(\omega_2) - \bar{f}(\omega_2) f(\omega_1)] \delta(\omega - \omega_1 + \omega_2)$$

Perturbation theory

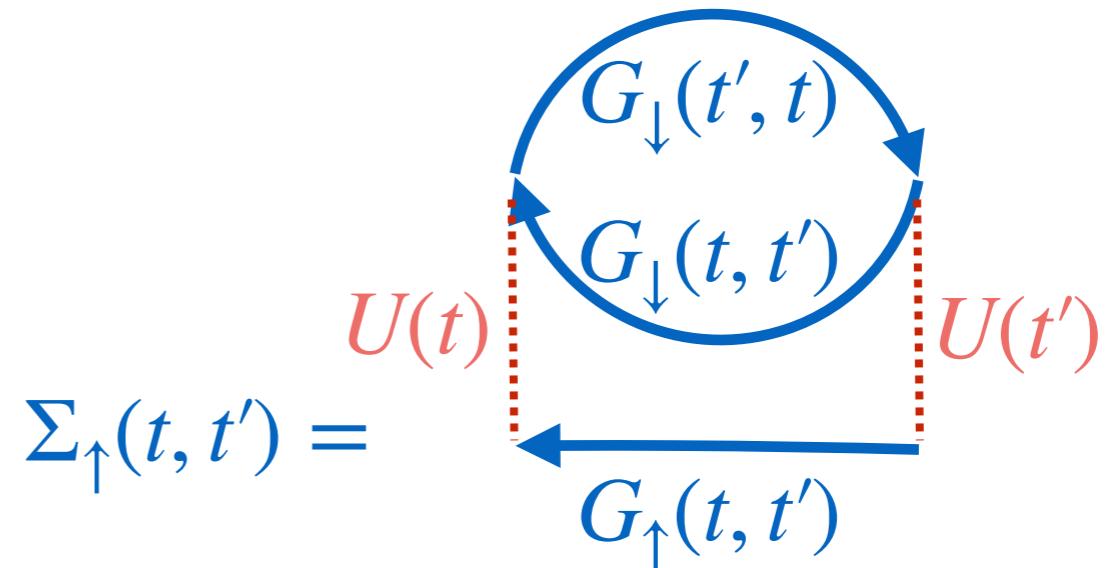
Derivation of perturbation theory for \mathcal{C} -ordered Green's functions analogous to imag time ordered Green's functions

$$\xrightarrow{G} = \xrightarrow{G_0} + \xrightarrow{\Sigma} \quad G^{-1} = G_0^{-1} - \Sigma$$

⇒ same rules in diagrammatic perturbation theory (apart from factors i)

e.g., second order PT in the Hubbard model:

$$H' = U(t) n_\uparrow n_\downarrow$$



$$\underbrace{\Sigma(\tau)}_{-i\Sigma(-i\tau, -i\tau')} = -U^2 \times \underbrace{G(\tau)}_{-iG(-i\tau, -i\tau')} \times \underbrace{G(\tau)}_{-iG(-i\tau, -i\tau')} \times \underbrace{G(-\tau)}_{-iG(-i\tau', -i\tau)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma(t, t') = -i^2 U(t) U(t') G(t, t') G(t', t)$$

Example: Interaction quench in the Hubbard model

Example: Quench in the Hubbard model

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} + U(t) \sum_j n_{j,\uparrow} n_{j,\downarrow} \quad U(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ U & t > 0 \end{cases}$$

2nd order PT solution:

- Dyson for each k : $G_k^{-1} = i\partial_t - \epsilon_k - \Sigma$ ($G_k \equiv G_{\epsilon_k}$)

- Local GF: $G = \sum_k G_k = \int d\epsilon_k D(\epsilon_k) G_{\epsilon_k}$

Here “Bethe lattice”:
 $D_0(\omega) = \sqrt{4 - \omega^2}/2\pi$

- Self-energy (local approximation)

$$\Sigma(t, t') = -i^2 U(t) U(t') G(t, t') G(t, t') G(t', t)$$

Self-consistent
approximation
(energy conserving)

$$\Sigma(t, t') = -i^2 U(t) U(t') G_0(t, t') G_0(t, t') G_0(t', t) \quad \text{bare PT}$$

Example: Quench in the Hubbard model

Code: (C++)

NESSi documentation: <http://www.nessi.tuxfamily.org/>

NESSi source: <https://github.com/nessi-cntr/>

Examples for this lecture: [Nessi_demo/](#)

[Nessi_demo/programs/](#)

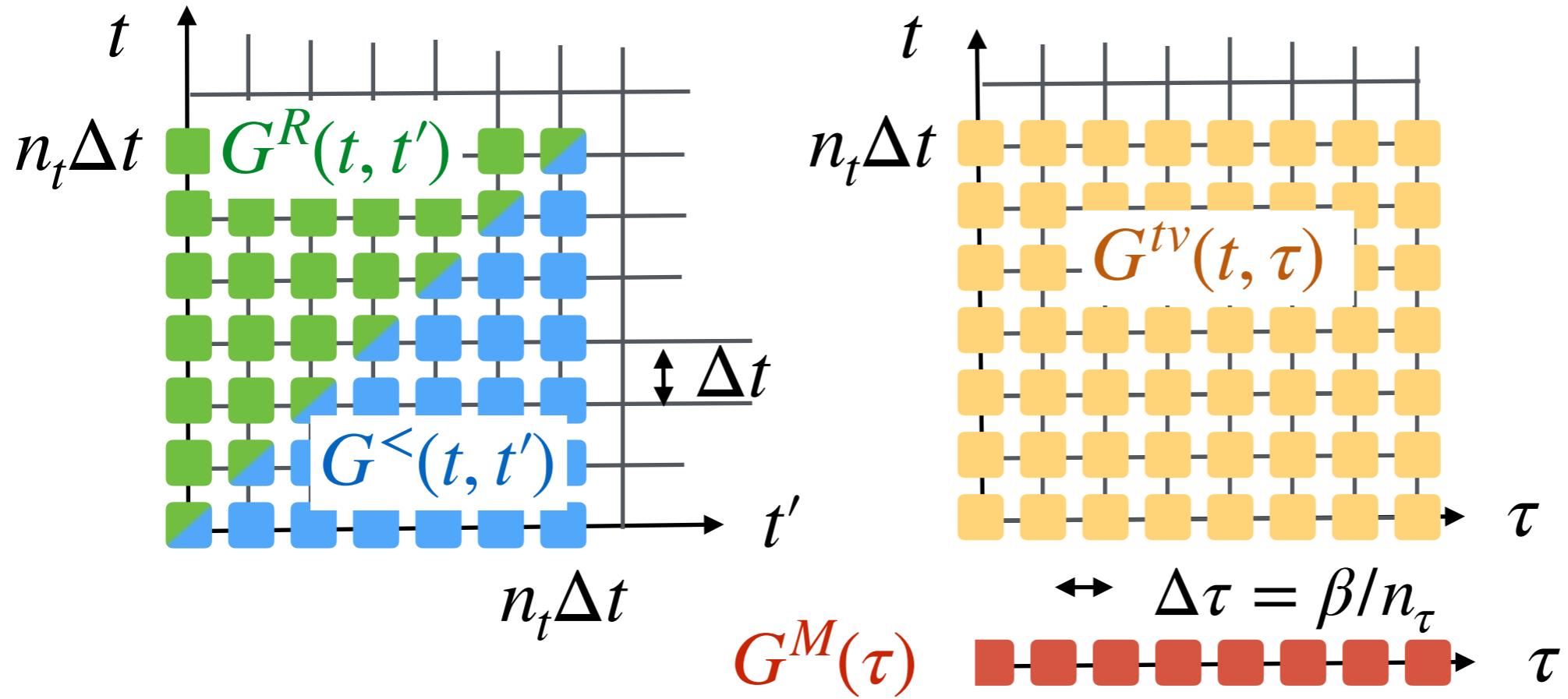
Source code main program

[Nessi_demo/python/](#)

Jupyter notebooks for running code

Green's functions in NESSI

Retarded $G^R(t, t') = \theta(t - t')[G^>(t, t') - G^<(t, t')]$, for $t \geq t'$
lesser, mixed, Matsubara



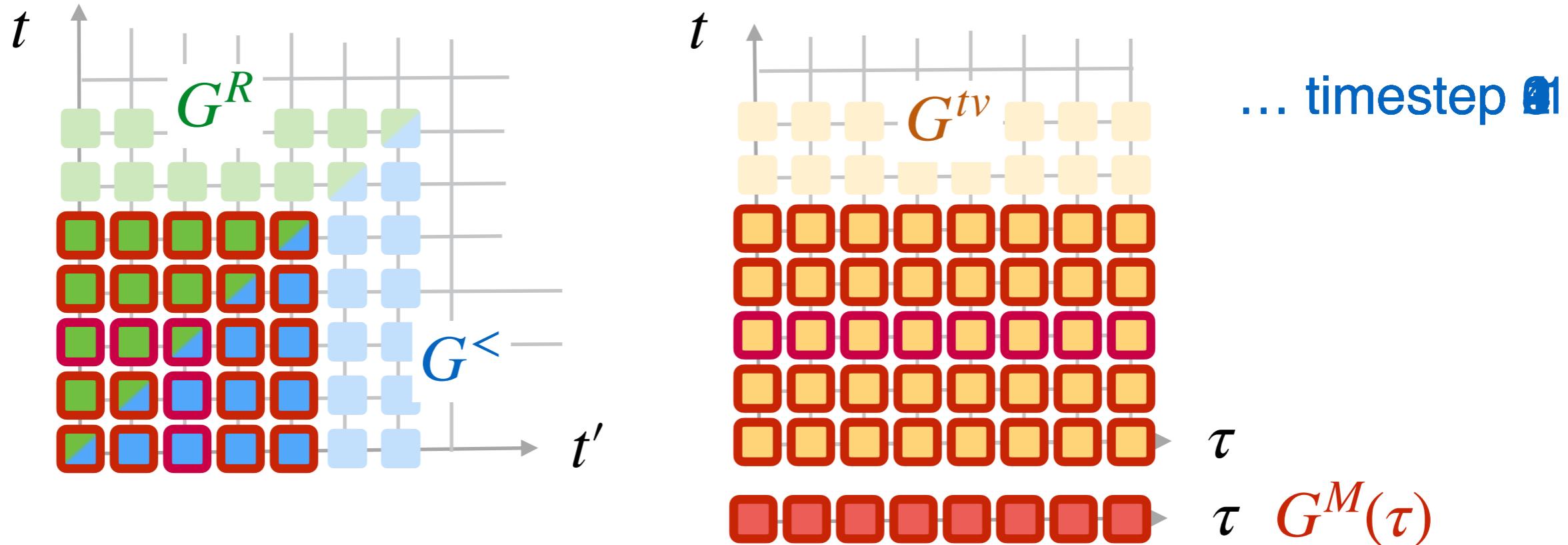
```
No. int nt=100; // max. number of real time steps
int ntau=100; // max. number of imag time steps
int size=1; // orbital dimension
int sig=-1; // -1 (FERMION) or +1 (BOSON)

cntr::herm_matrix<double> G(nt,ntau,size,sig);
// natural routines to access matrix elents, input/output ....
```

ry:
 $t)]^\dagger$

NESSI Green's functions

Timeslice:



Container in NESSI: **cntr::herm_matrix_timestep**

```
int tstp=...;    // >= -1
int ntau=...;   // number of imag time steps
int size=...;    // orbital dimension
int sig=...;     // -1 (FERMION) or +1 (BOSON)
cntr::herm_matrix_timestep<double> tG(tstp,ntau,size,sig);
```

Equilibrium Green's functions: Spectral representation

Equilibrium: All Green functions can be obtained from spectral representation

$$G(t, t') = -i \int d\omega A(\omega) e^{-i\omega(t-t')} [\theta_C(t, t') + \xi F(\omega)]$$

Needed: In particular to explicitly construct bath Green's functions for continuous environment.

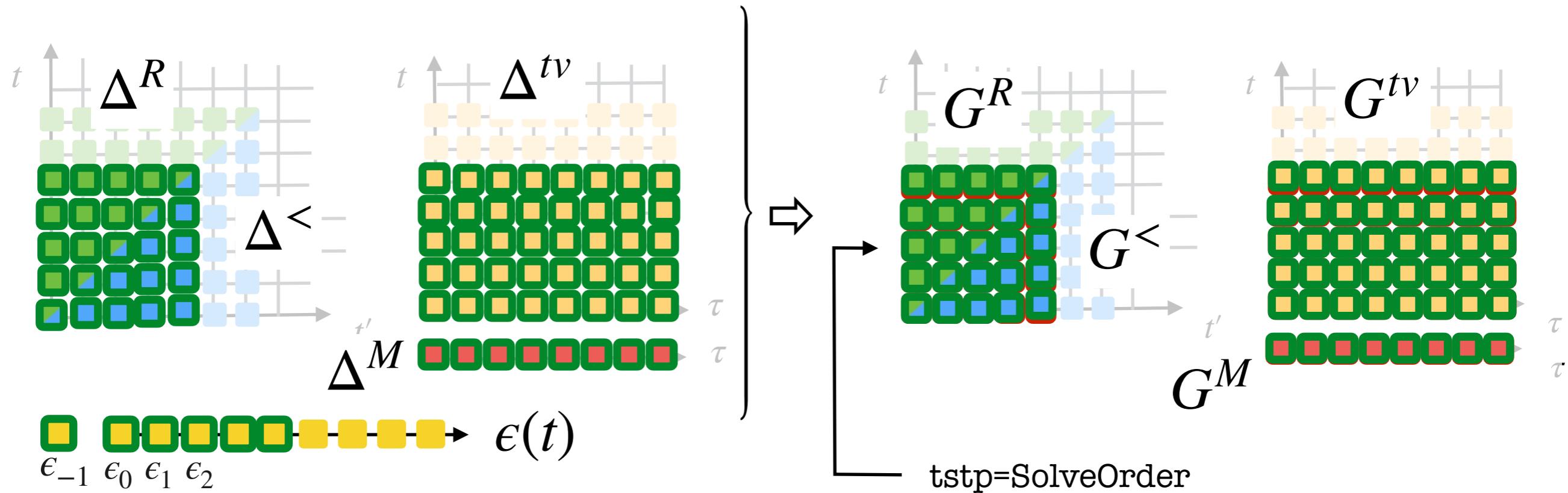
NESSi: Some routines provided to construct G from spectrum].

Special example: $A(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{4 - \omega^2}$

```
cntr::herm_matrix<double> G(nt,ntau,size,sig);  
cntr::green_equilibrium_bethe(G,beta,dt);
```

Time-stepping of Dyson eq. $[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G - [\Delta^* G] = \delta_{\mathcal{C}}$

- ❑ known (input) ❑ to be determined



```

double mu=0.0,beta=1.0;dt=0.01;
cntr::herm_matrix<double> Delta(nt,ntau,size,sig);
cntr::herm_matrix<double> G(nt,ntau,size,sig);
cntr::function<double> eps(nt,size); // container for time-dependent function
// initialize D, and eps

int SolveOrder=2; // integration order, default = 5

cntr::dyson_mat(G,mu,eps,Delta,beta,SolveOrder); // Matsubara solution (timestep -1)
cntr::dyson_start(G,mu,eps,Delta,beta,dt,SolveOrder); // solution on tstep=0...SolveOrder
for(int tstep=SolveOrder+1; tstep<=nt;tstep++)
    cntr::dyson_timestep(tstep,G,mu,eps,Delta,beta,dt,solveorder);

```

Time-stepping solution of Dyson equation

Self-consistent equation:

$$[i\partial_t - \epsilon[G]]G(t, t') - [\Delta[G] * G](t, t') = \delta_C(t, t')$$

e.g. mean-field potential depending
on density $n(t) = iG^<(t, t)$



e.g., self-energy
depending on full G

⇒ Iterate on each timestep:

```
// some guess for Delta and eps on tstp=1
```

```
cntr::dyson_mat(G,mu,eps,Delta,beta,SolveOrder);  
... // update Delta and eps from G on timestep -1
```

iterate to convergence

```
cntr::dyson_start(G,mu,eps,Delta,beta,dt,SolveOrder);  
... // update Delta and eps from G on timestep 0...SolveOrder
```

iterate to conv.

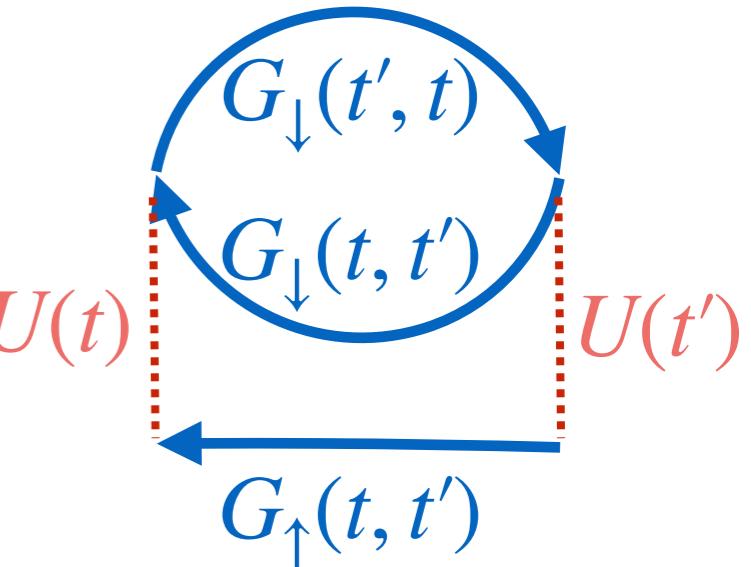
```
for(int tstp=SolveOrder+1; tstp<=nt;tstp++)  
    cntr::dyson_timestep(tstp,G,mu.eps,Delta,beta,dt,solveorder);  
... // update Delta and eps from G on timestep tstp
```

iterate to conv.

Perturbation theory

$$\Sigma(t, t') = -i^2 U(t) U(t') G(t, t') G(t, t') G(t', t)$$

Evaluation in NESSI:



```
cntr::function<double> U(nt,1);
cntr::herm_matrix<double> G(nt,ntau,1,FERMION);
cntr::herm_matrix<double> Sigma(nt,ntau,1,FERMION);
```

// all following operations performed on given timeslice:

```
cntr::herm_matrix_timestep<double> Pi(tstp,ntau,1,BOSON);
```

```
cntr::Bubble1(tstp,Pi,G,G);
```

$$\Pi(t, t') \rightarrow iG(t, t')G(t', t)$$



```
Pi.left_multiply(tstp,U);
```

$$\Pi(t, t') \rightarrow U(t)\Pi(t, t')$$

```
Pi.right_multiply(tstp,U);
```

$$\Pi(t, t') \rightarrow \Pi(t, t')U(t')$$

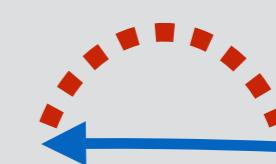


```
cntr::Bubble2(tstp,Sigma,Pi,G);
```

$$\Sigma(t, t') \rightarrow i\Pi(t, t')G(t, t')$$

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Sigma.smul(tstp,-1.0)
```

$$\Sigma(t, t') \rightarrow -\Sigma(t, t')$$

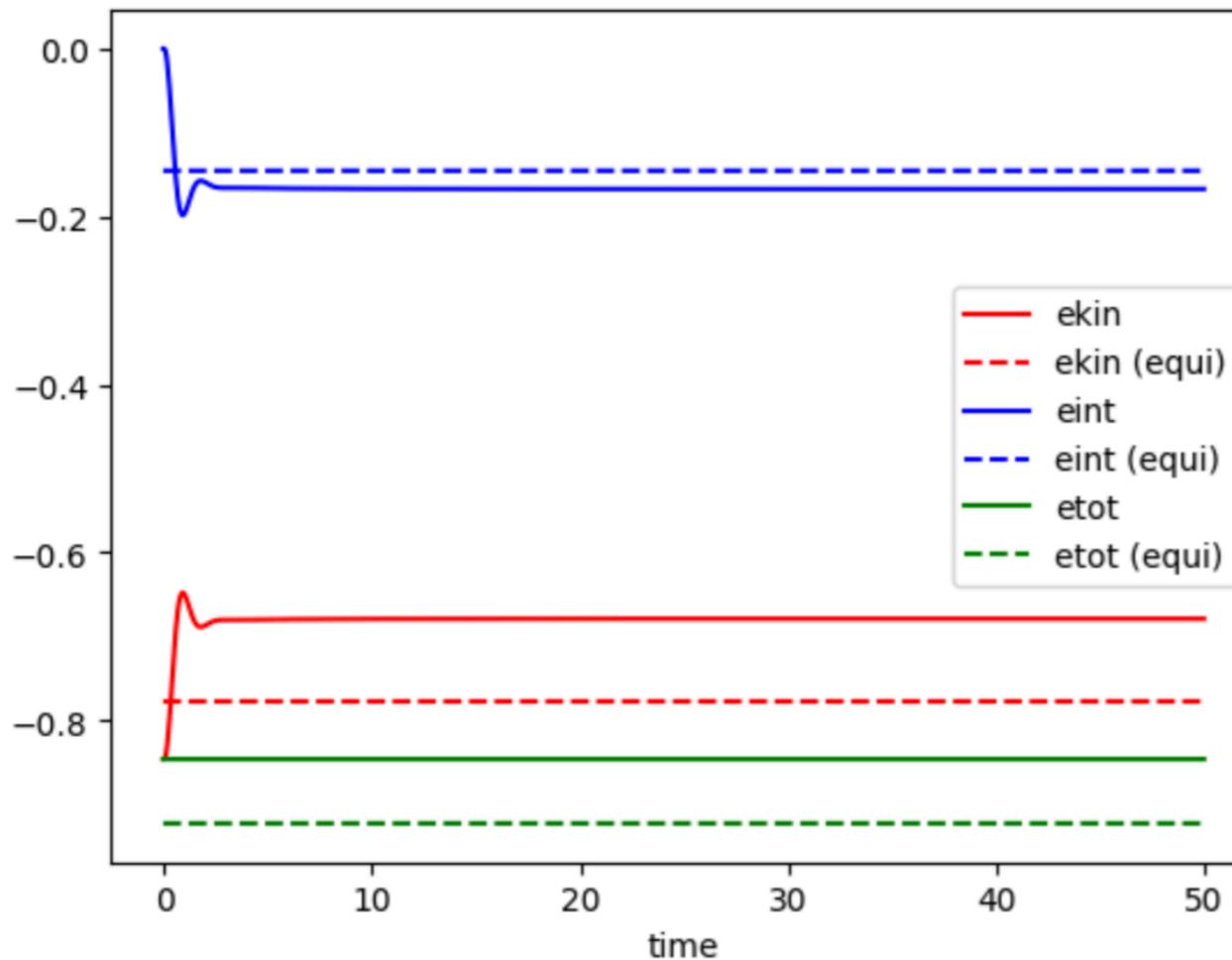


Example: Quench in the Hubbard model

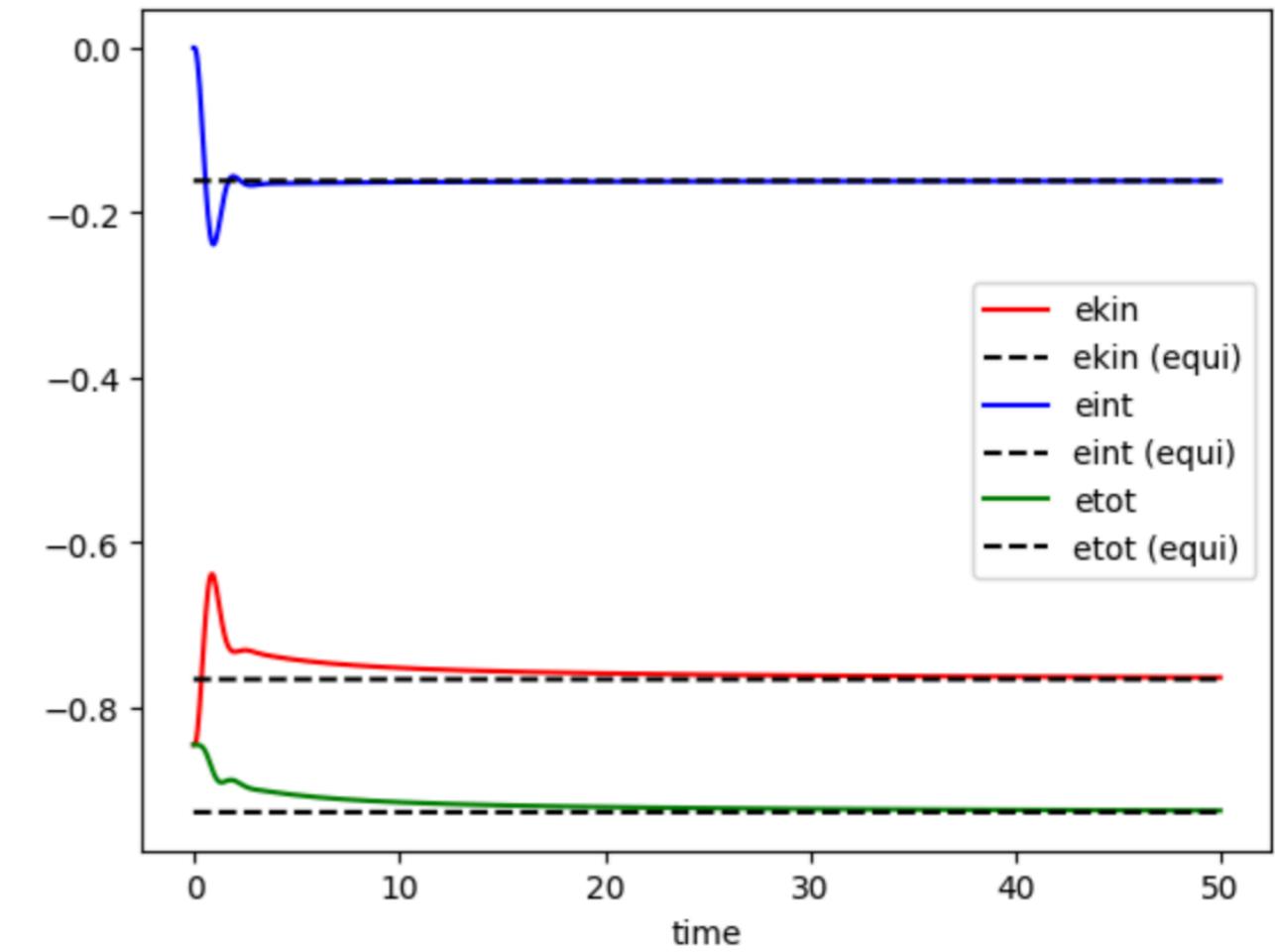
Relaxation of kinetic
and potential energy:

$$E_{kin} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k,\sigma} \langle c_{k,\sigma}^\dagger c_{k,\sigma} \rangle \epsilon_k, \quad E_{int} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_j U \left\langle n_{j\uparrow} n_{j\downarrow} - \frac{1}{4} \right\rangle$$

Conserving PT:



Bare PT:

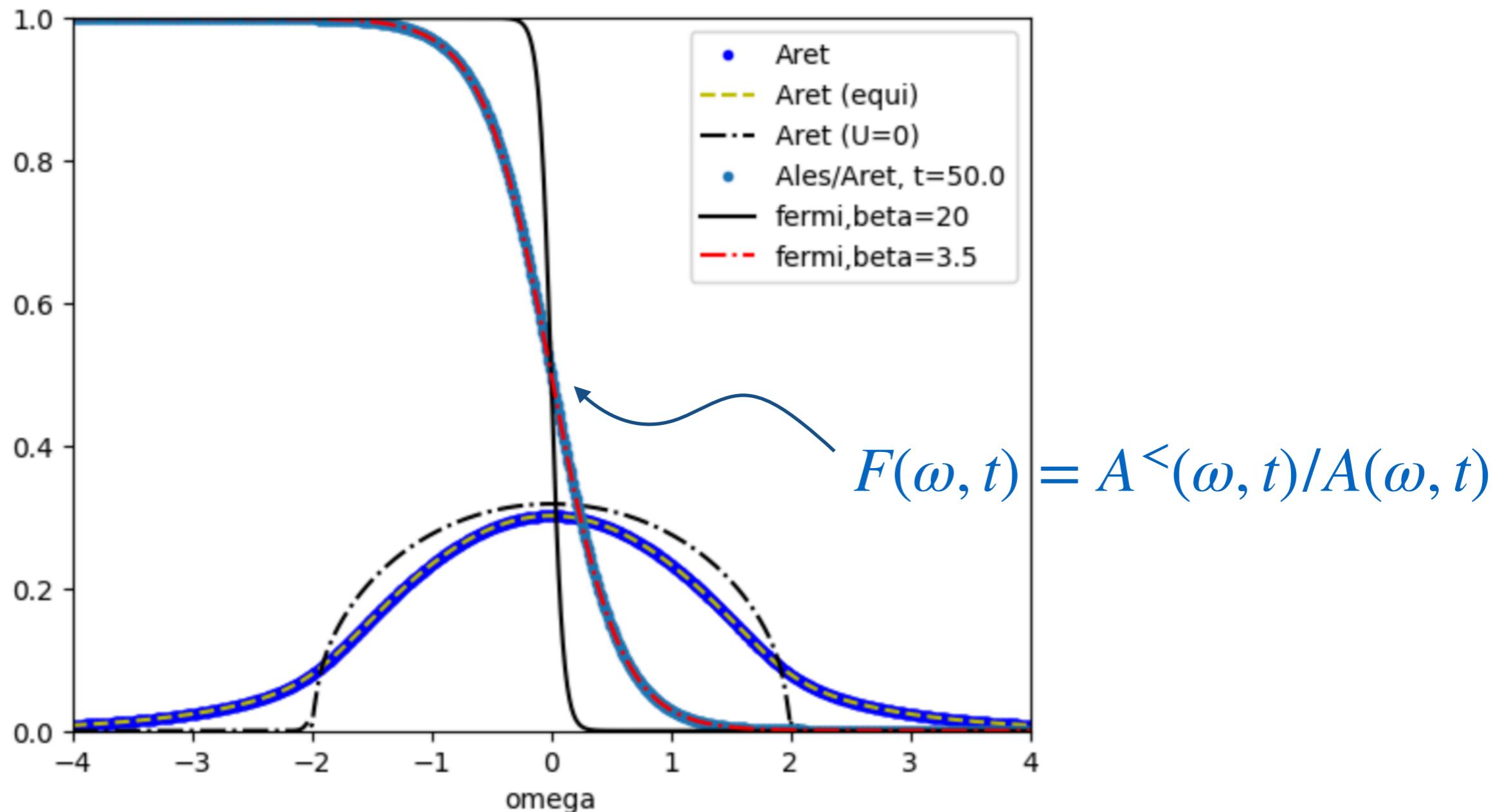


Dashed: Production for interacting system at *initial* temperature

Example: Quench in the Hubbard model

Spectral functions and occupation function:

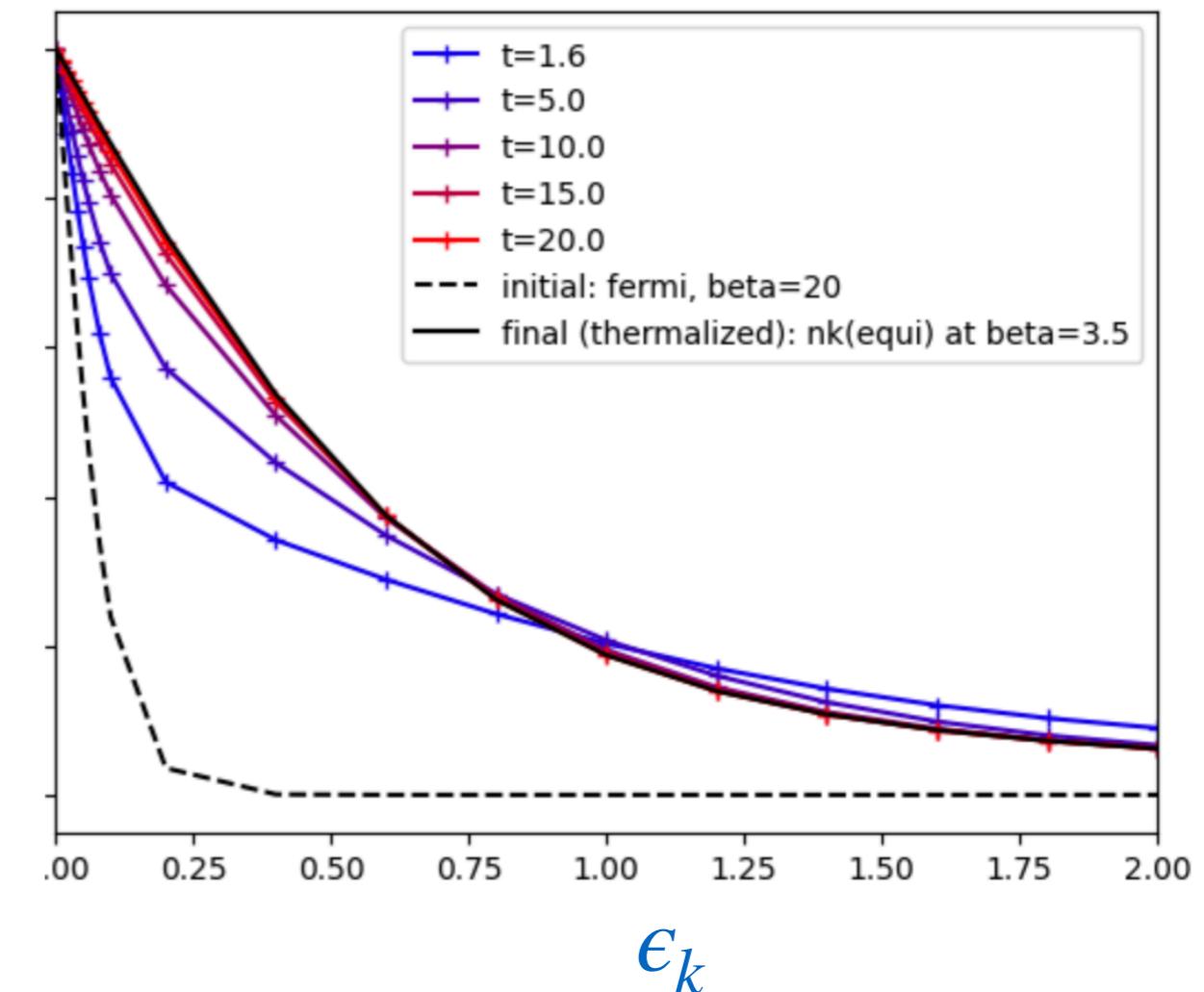
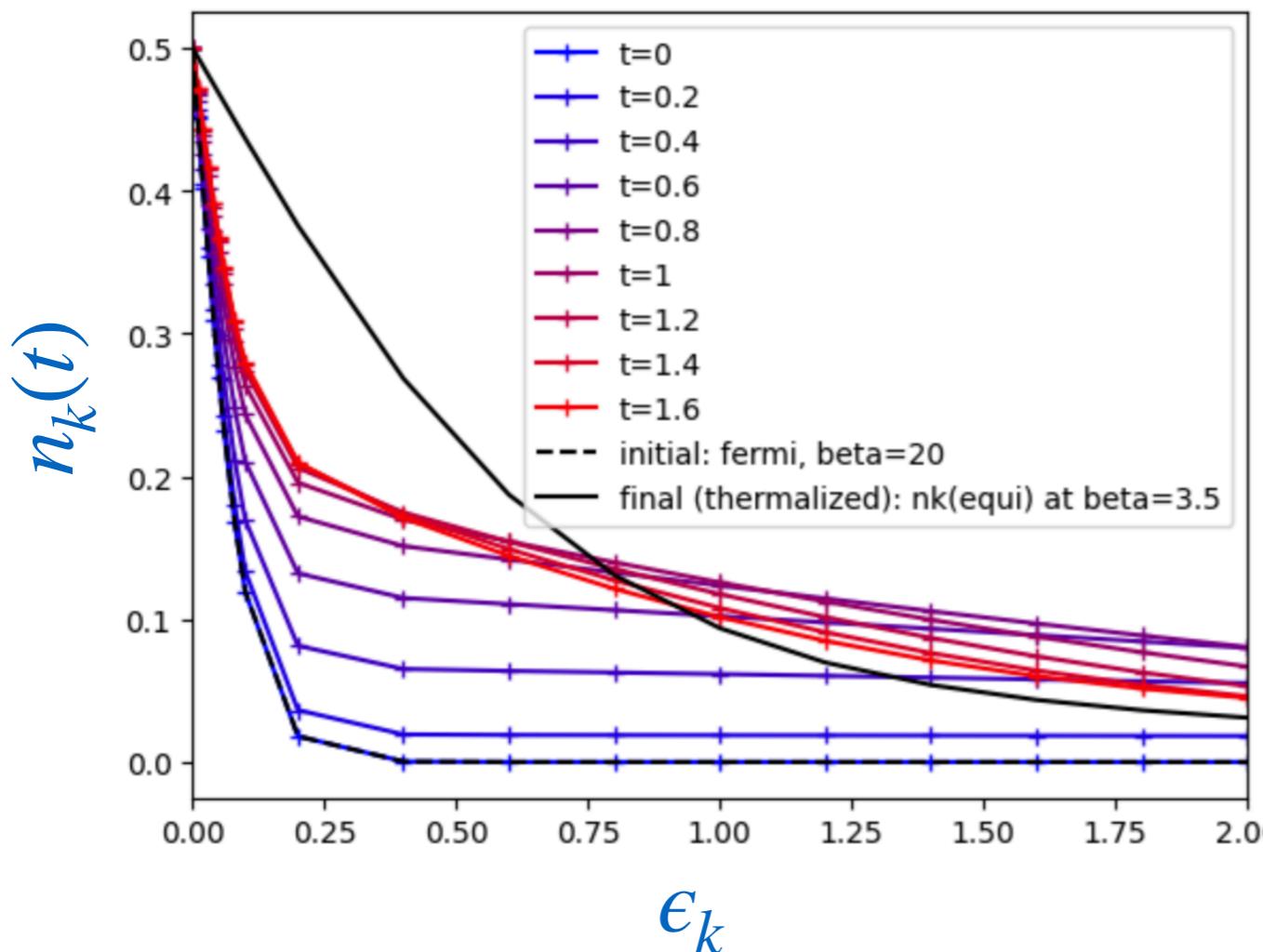
$$A(\omega, t) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \int_0^t ds e^{-\eta s} G^{ret}(t, t-s) e^{i\omega s}, \quad A^<(\omega, t) = \dots$$



Motivation example: Quench in the Hubbard model

Relaxation of the momentum occupation $n_k(t) = \langle c_k^\dagger(t)c_k(t) \rangle$

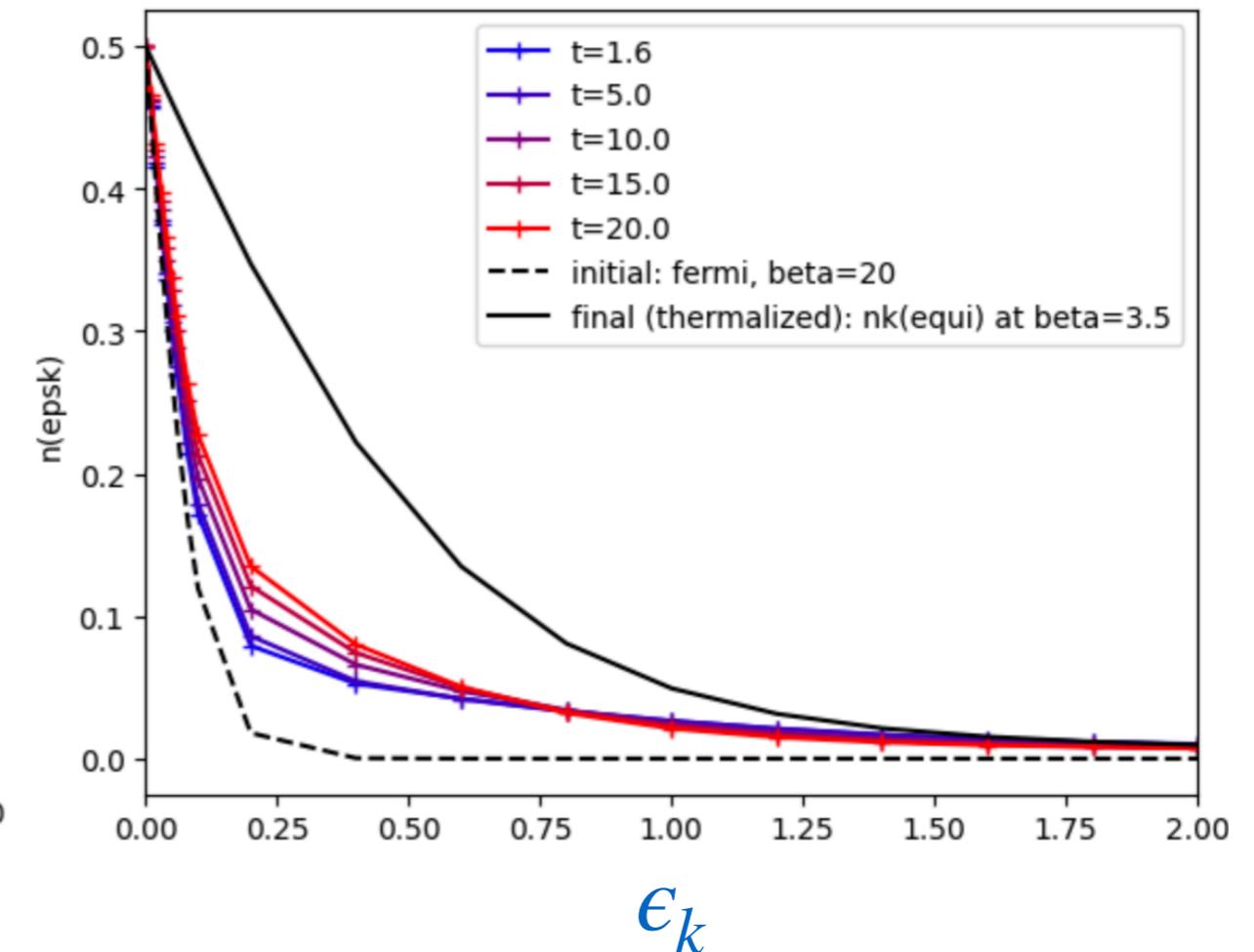
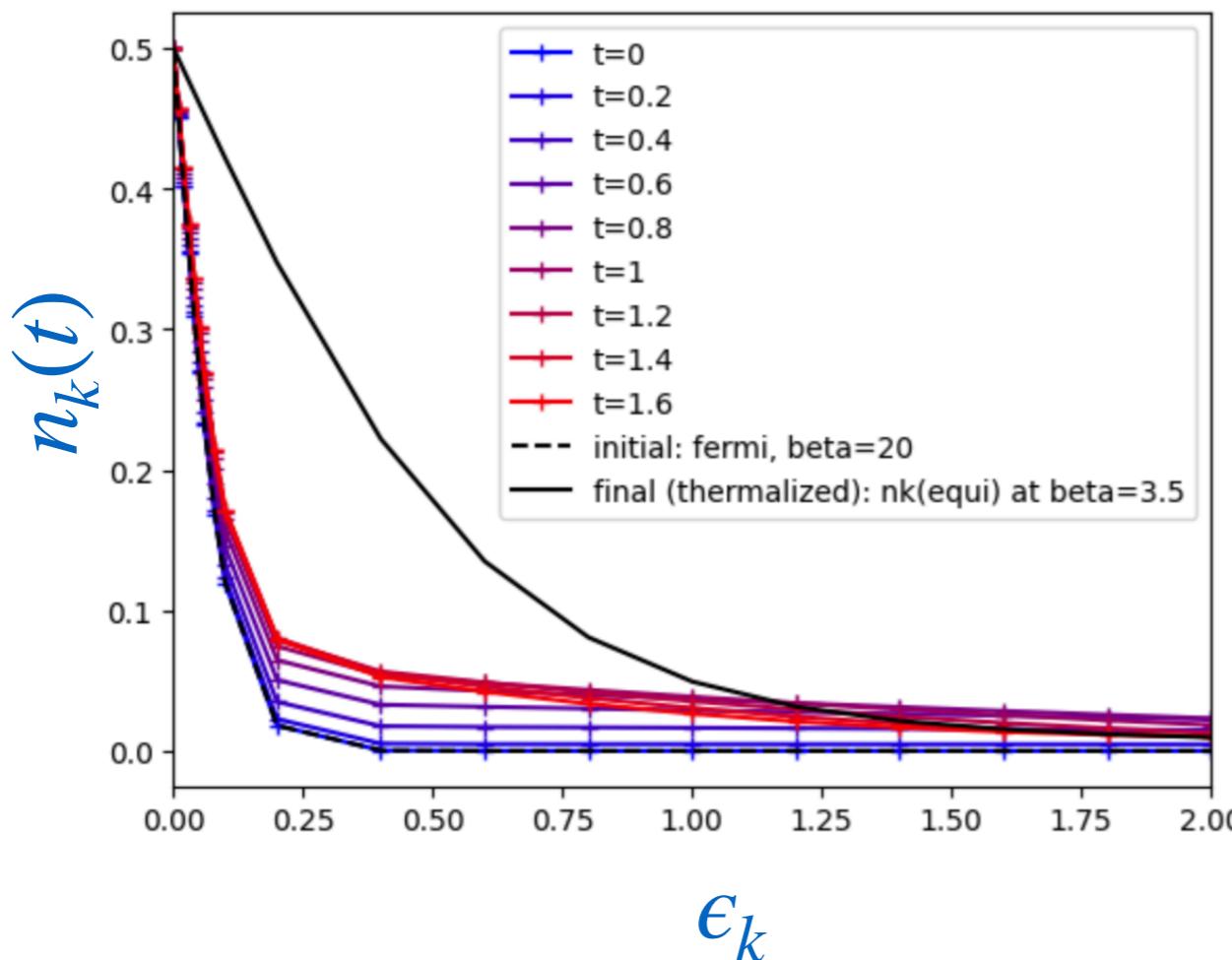
$U=2$, [time] $=\hbar/J$



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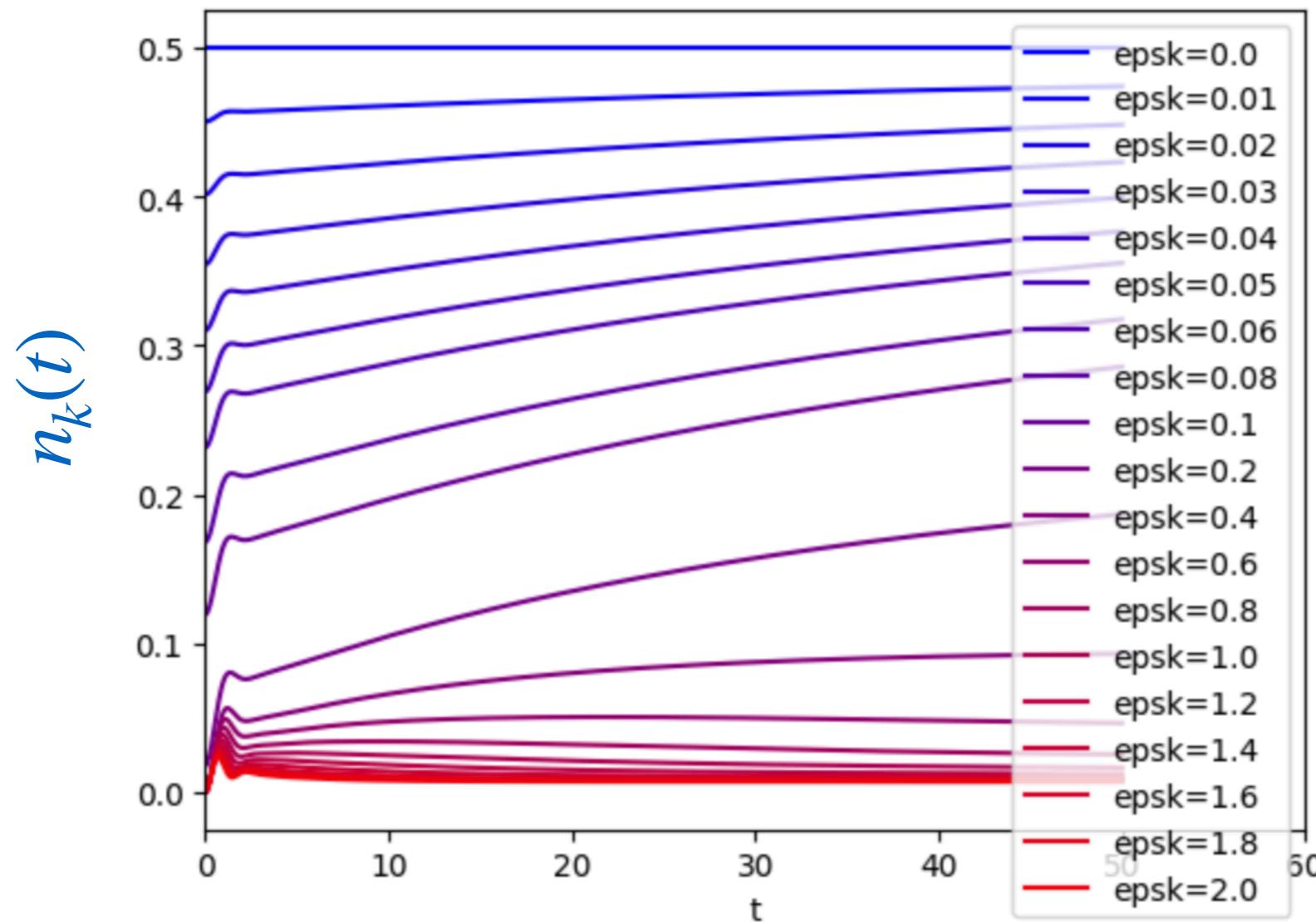
$U=1$, [time] $=\hbar/J$



Motivation example: Quench in the Hubbard model

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$U=1$, [time] $=\hbar/J$



“Prethermalization”

Long times

Computational cost / Memory bottleneck

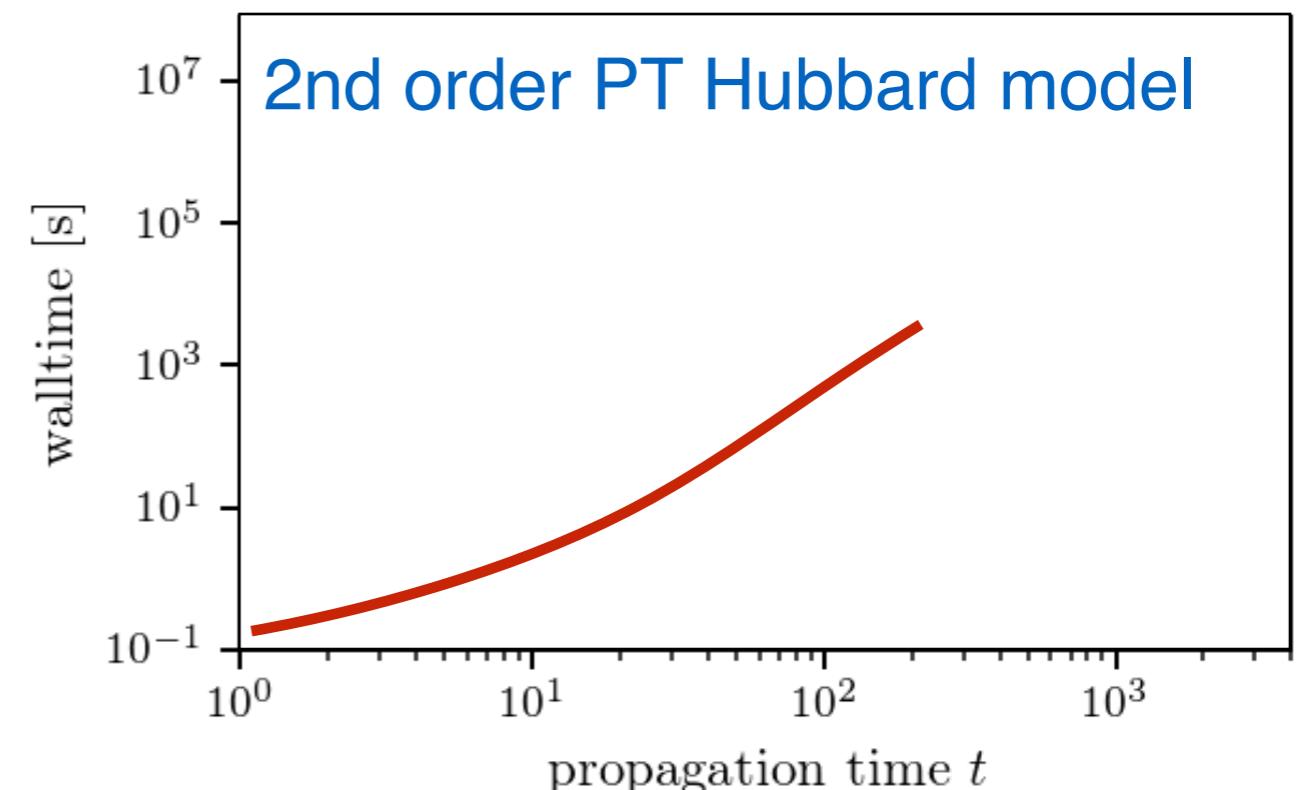
Scaling of numerical cost:

- CPU $\mathcal{O}(N_t^3)$

- memory $\mathcal{O}(N_t^2)$

(OMP parallelisation
possible)

more severe ...



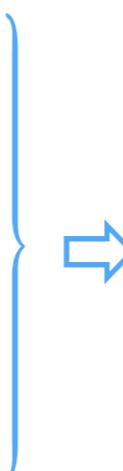
E.g.: First-principle **multi-orbital** simulations based on standard perturbative approaches?

$L = 10$ orbitals

Energy window 10eV

$\Rightarrow \Delta t \ll 1/\text{eV} = 0.1\text{fs}$)

Simulation time 1000fs



$n_t = 10^4$

Memory $G^<$ and G^R

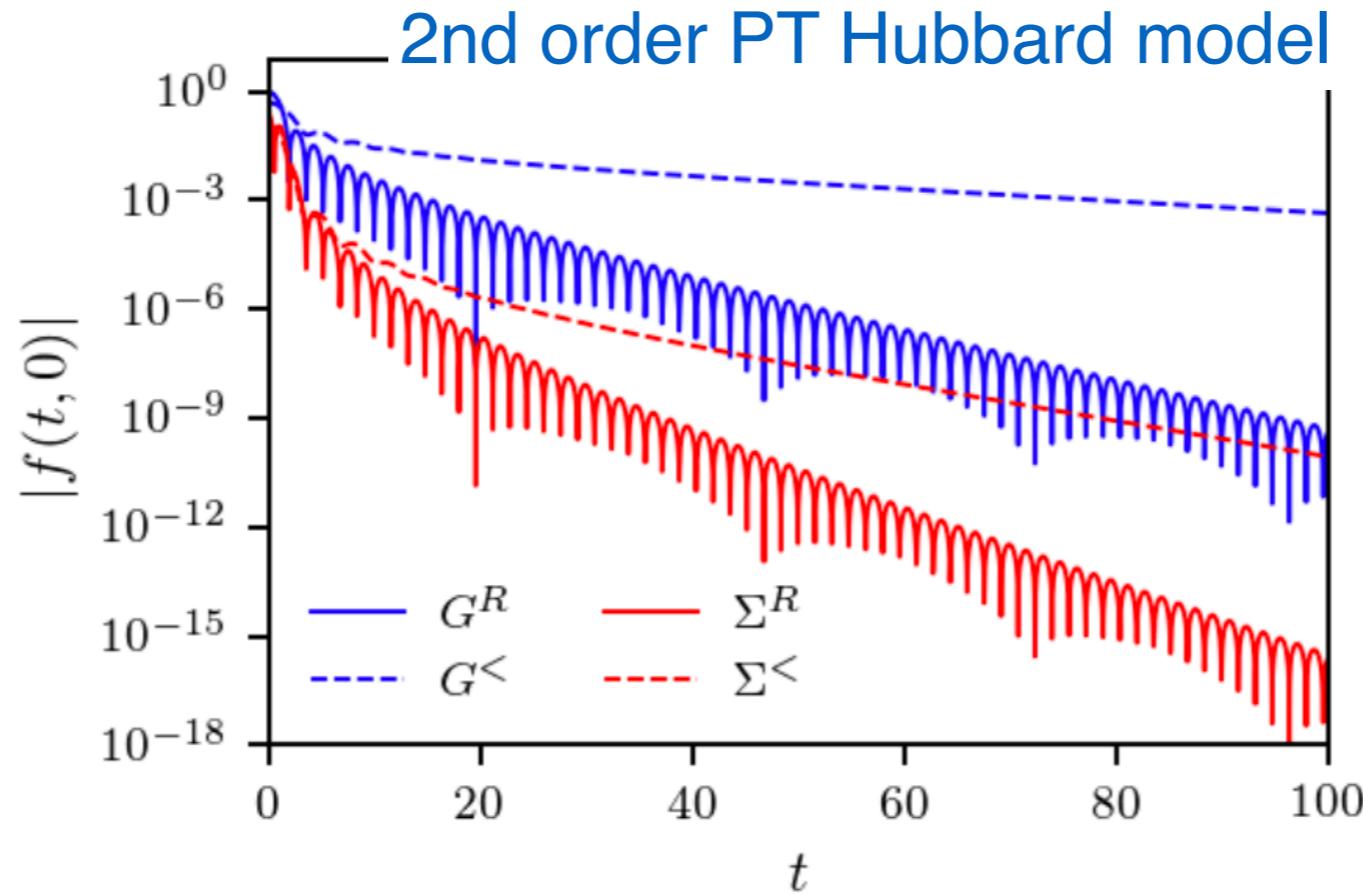
$n_t^2 \times L^2 = (10^4)^2 \times (10^2) = 10^{10}$
complex numbers

not entirely out of range, but definitely some improvement needed!

Kadanoff Baym equations with memory truncation

Dyson equation $[i\partial_t - \epsilon]G(t, t') - [\Sigma * G](t, t') = \delta_C(t, t')$

Σ often decays as function of time difference!



Assume banded memory kernel: $\Sigma^{>,<}(t, t') \approx 0$ for $|t - t'| > t_c$
 $\Sigma^{tv}(t, \tau) \approx 0$ for $t > t_c$

Simplifications in equation for G ? (Note: G does not decay quickly)

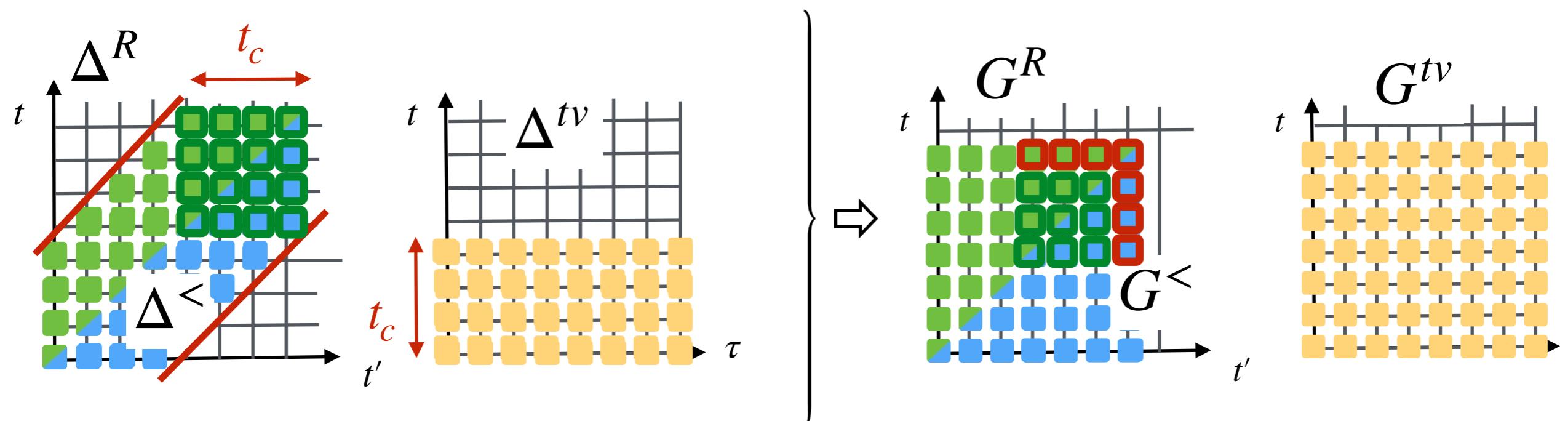
Memory truncation

Banded memory kernel:

$$\Delta^{>,<}(t, t') = 0 \text{ for } |t - t'| > t_c$$

$$\Delta^{tv}(t, \tau) = 0 \text{ for } t > t_c$$

$\Rightarrow G$ does not decay quickly,
but Dyson equation closed
on “moving window”



- to be determined
- required input

Memory truncation: 2nd order PT Hubbard Model

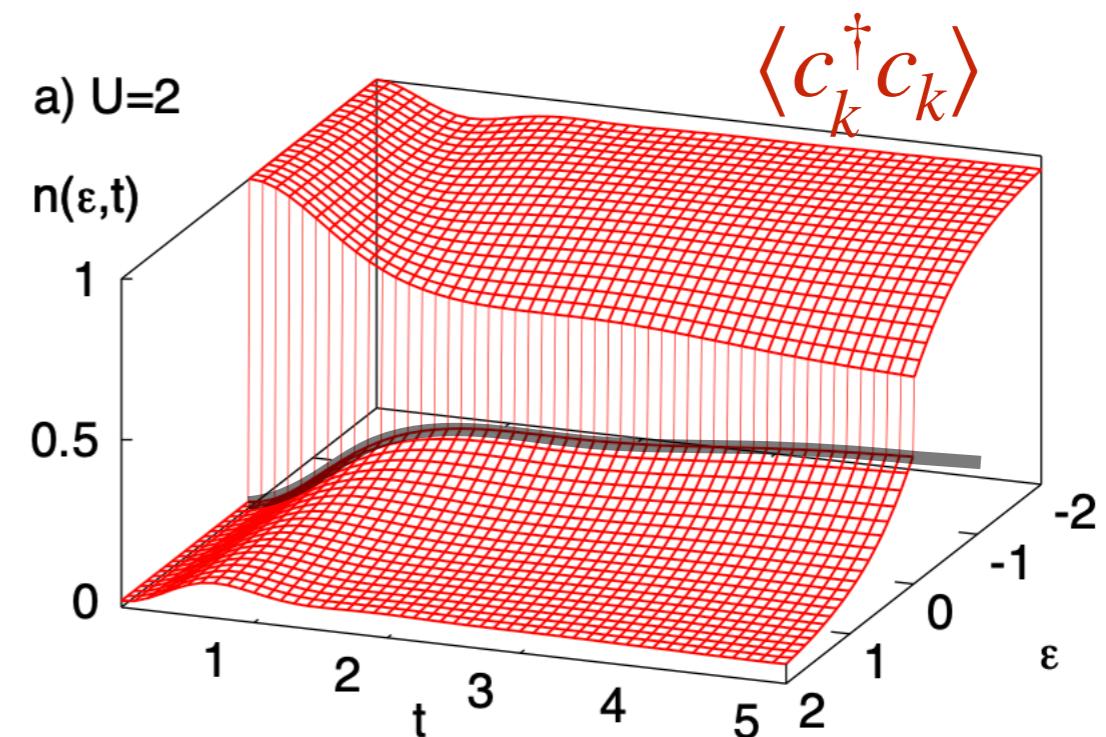
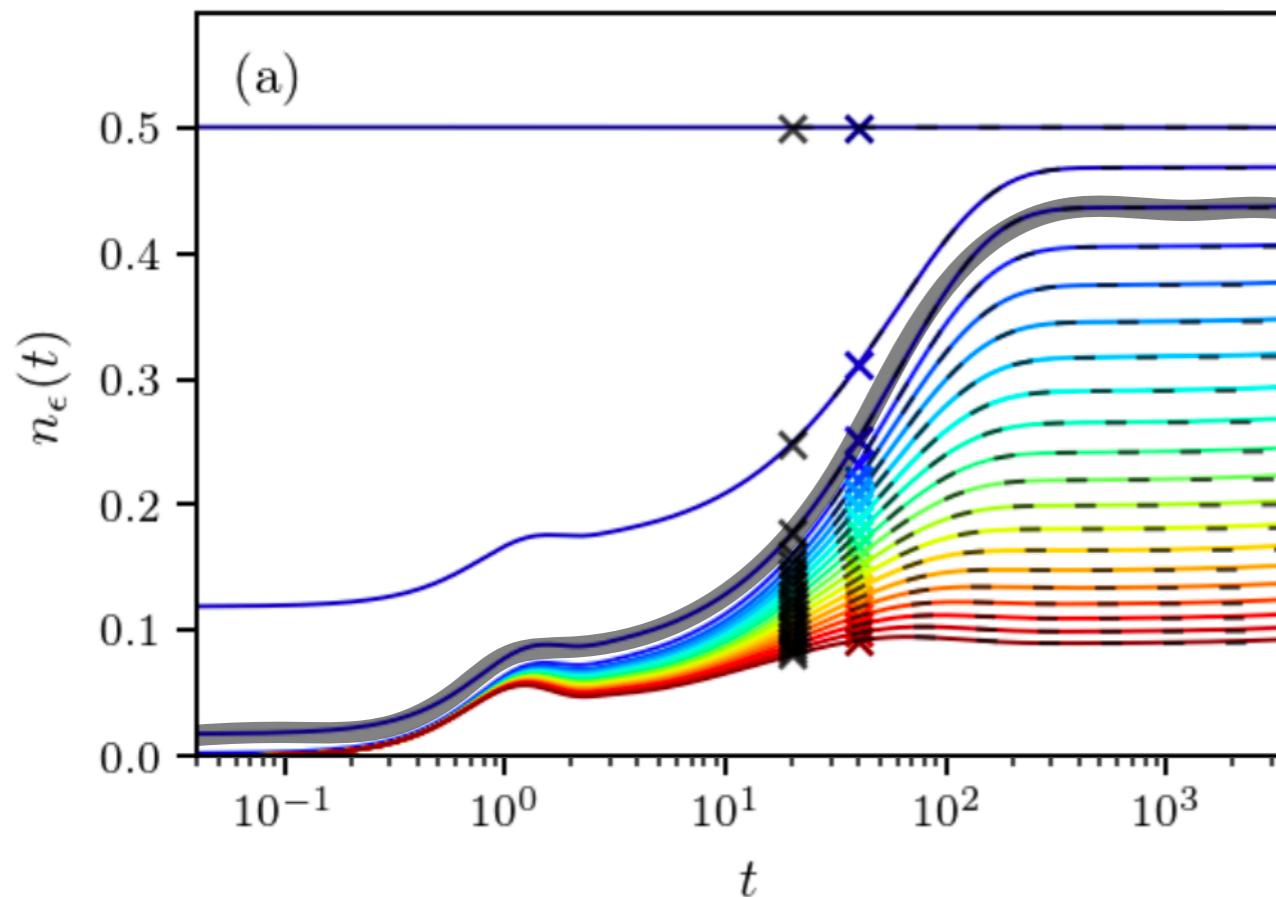
Hubbard model (Bethe lattice): Interaction quench to $U=1$ (bandwidth =4)

short time (exact CTQMC)

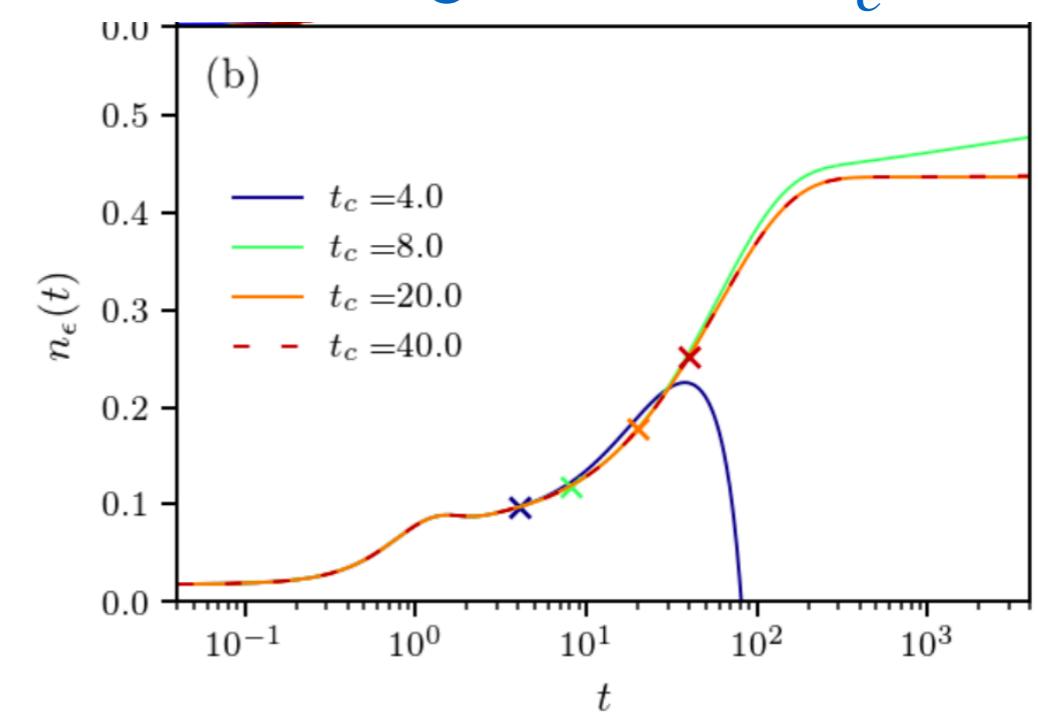
Eckstein, Kollar, Werner (2009)

⇒ prethermalization

Long time (2nd oder PT)



Convergence with t_c



Memory bottleneck

Overcoming the memory constraint?

... needed for

- ⇒ simulations with vastly different timescales: electrons & lattice; electrons & collective modes; prethermalization & thermalisation
- ⇒ first-principle **multi-orbital** simulations based on standard perturbative approaches

- Generalized Kadanoff Baym Ansatz

Schlünzen, Joost, Bonitz, Phys. Rev. Lett. **124**, 076601 (2020)

- Quantum Boltzmann equations

Picano, Li, Eckstein, Phys. Rev. B **104**, 085108 (2021)

} additional approximations
“physical insight”

- Systematic truncation of memory integrals

Stahl, Dasari Picano, Li, Werner, Eckstein, PRB **105**, 115146 (2022)

} Reformulation of numerical solution

- Hierarchical storage of two-time functions

Kaye and Golez, arXiv:2010.06511

Thank you for your attention