

An brief introduction to Green's functions

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The many-body problem

➊ Many-body Schrödinger equation

$$\hat{H}\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = E\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)$$

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \nabla_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} + \sum_i v(\mathbf{r}_i)$$

(NB: Born-Oppenheimer approximation)

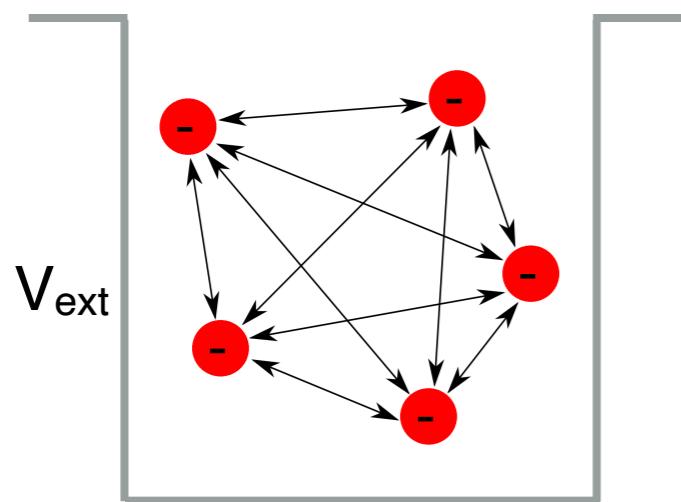
➋ Many-body wavefunction and observables

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) \longrightarrow \langle \Psi | \hat{O} | \Psi \rangle$$

Theoretical Background

Wave-function based approaches

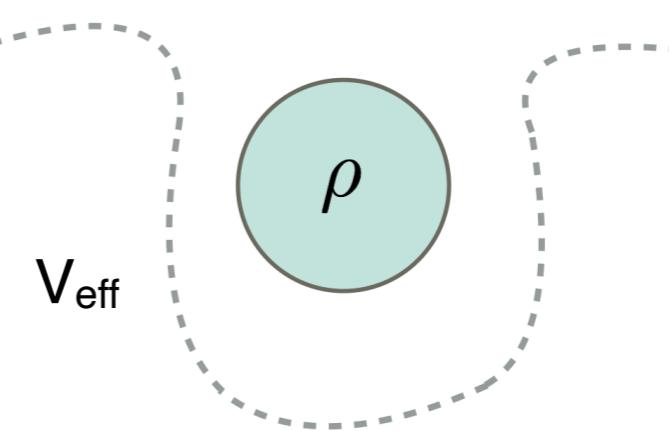
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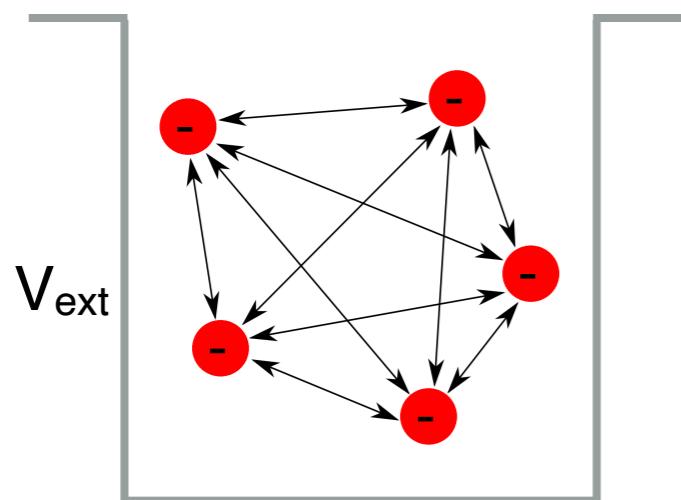


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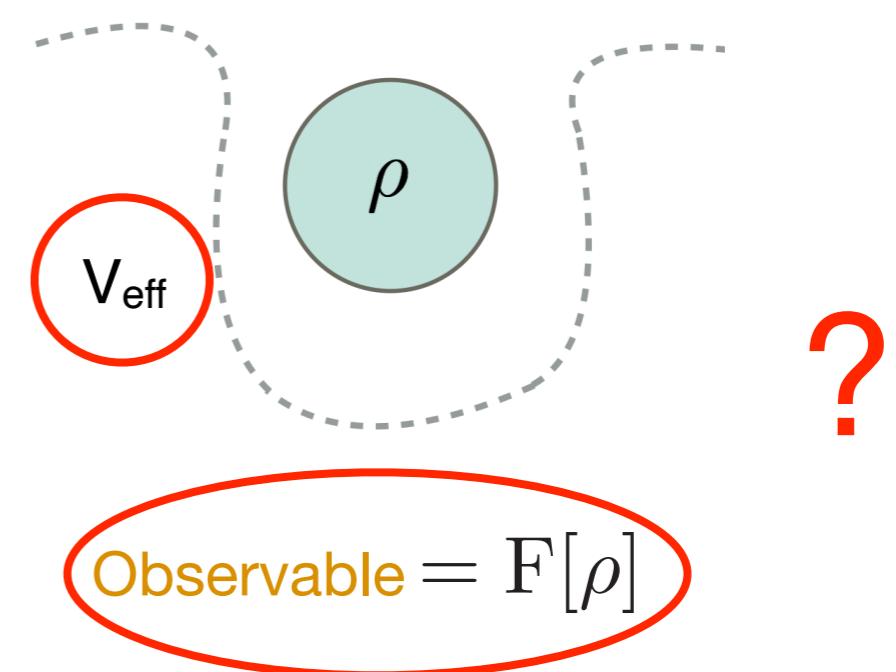
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Density Functional Theory

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1-body density matrix $\gamma(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$

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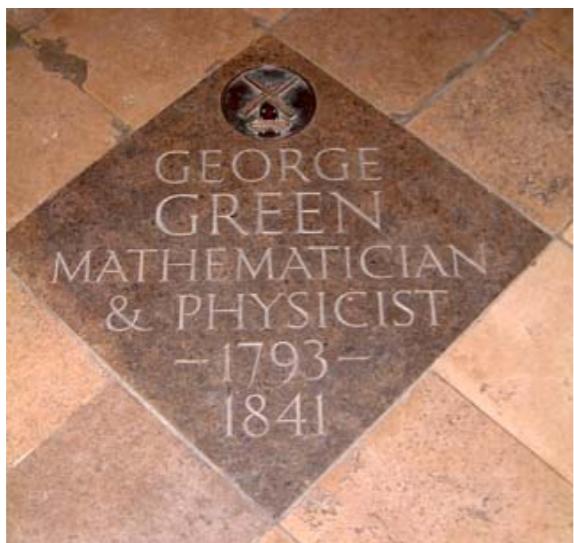
Program of the lecture

- GFs in maths
- GFs in physics
- GFs in quantum mechanics
- 1-GF: Dyson equation and self-energy
- 2-GF
- Higher-order GF

Mr George Green



England, 1793–1841



Memorial stone in Westminster Abbey

- British Mathematician and Physicist
- An Essay on the Application of Mathematical Analysis to the Theories of Electricity and Magnetism (Green, 1828)
- One year of formal schooling as a child, between the ages of 8 and 9



Green's mill in Sneinton

Green's functions in maths : solving differential equations

differential equation $\hat{D}_x f(x) = F(x)$

\hat{D}_x is a differential operator, e.g. $d^2/dt^2 + c$

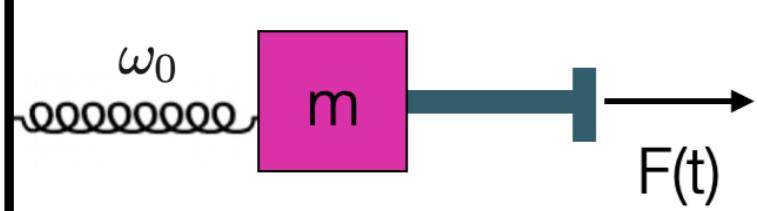
$F(x)$ is the inhomogeneous term, e.g. a force

The solution $f(x)$ can be expressed in terms of the **Green's function** $G(x, y)$

$$\hat{D}_x G(x, y) = \delta(x - y)$$

solution $f(x) = \int dy G(x, y) F(y)$

Green's functions in physics : Harmonic oscillator

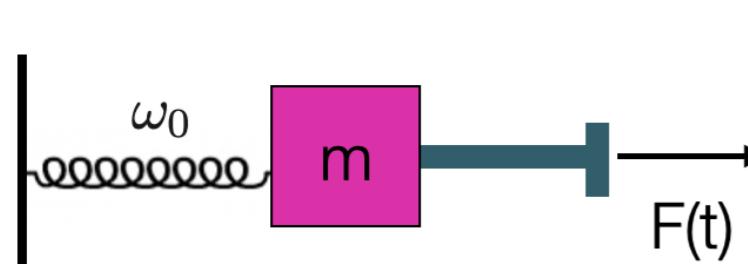


A diagram of a mass-spring system. A mass m is attached to a spring with stiffness ω_0 , which is fixed to a wall. A force $F(t)$ is applied to the mass m .

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \omega_0^2 x = \underbrace{f_0 \sin \omega t}_{F(t)}$$

The differential equation is
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 where $\hat{D}_t f(t)$ is highlighted in red.

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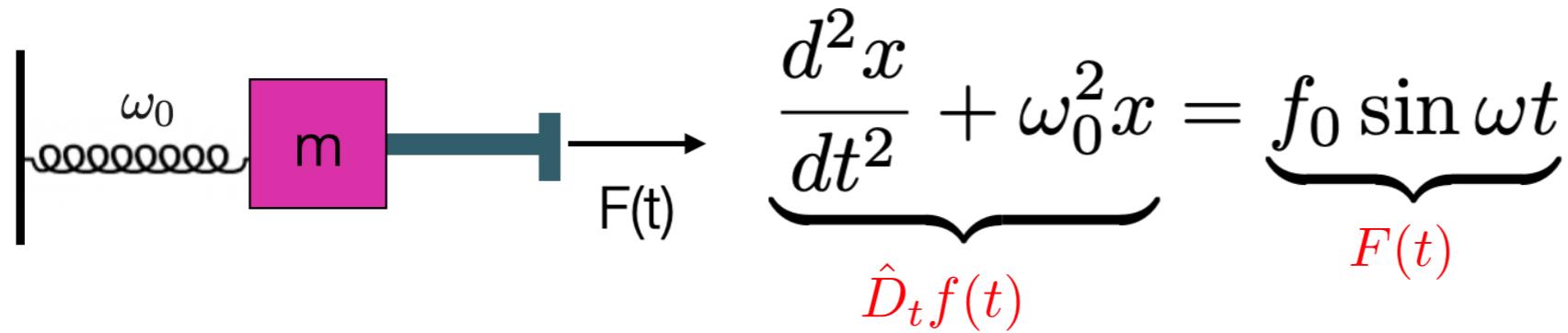
GF

$$\frac{d^2G_0(t)}{dt^2} + \omega_0^2 G_0(t) = \delta(t) \quad \longrightarrow \quad G_0(t) = \theta(t) \frac{1}{\omega_0} \sin \omega_0 t$$

solution

$$x(t) = \int dt' G_0(t - t') F(t')$$


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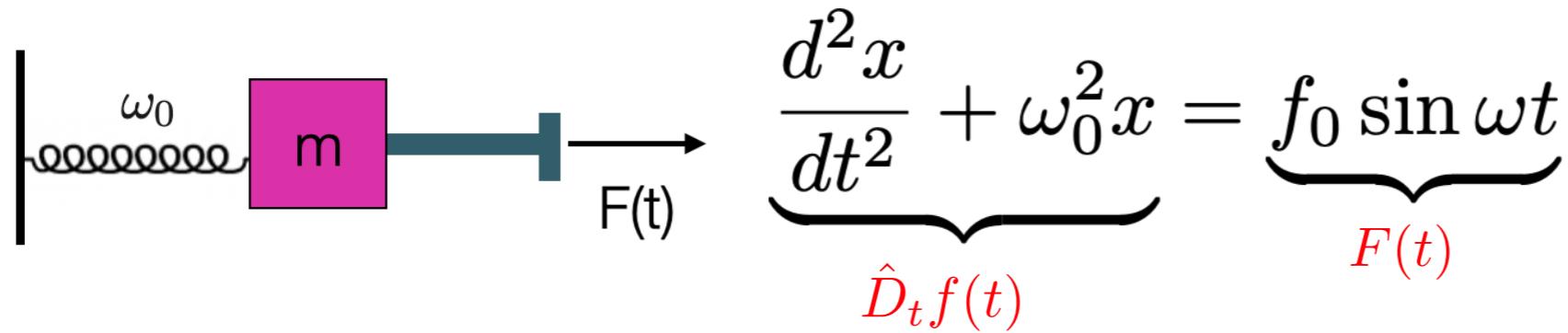
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FT
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The diagram shows the derivation of the Green's function $G_0(t)$ from the homogeneous equation $\frac{d^2G_0(t)}{dt^2} + \omega_0^2 G_0(t) = \delta(t)$. An arrow points from the equation to the solution $G_0(t) = \theta(t) \frac{1}{\omega_0} \sin \omega_0 t$. A curved red arrow points from the time-domain solution $x(t)$ down to the frequency-domain representation $G_0(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2}$, with the label "FT" indicating the Fourier Transform.

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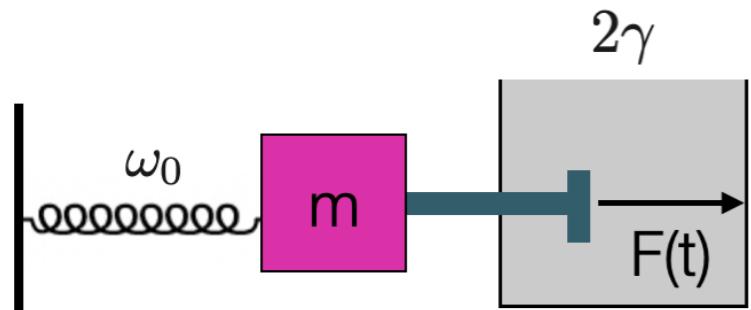
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$G_0(\omega)$ has poles at the natural frequency

Green's functions in physics : Harmonic oscillator in a medium

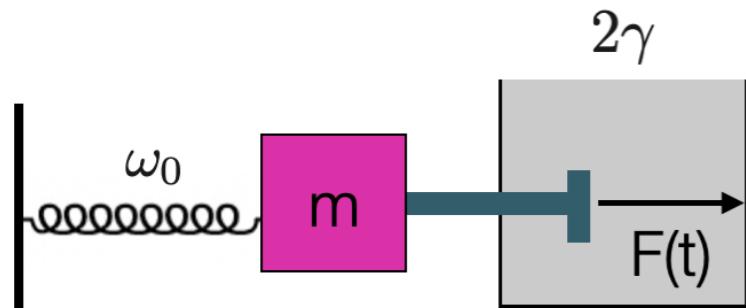


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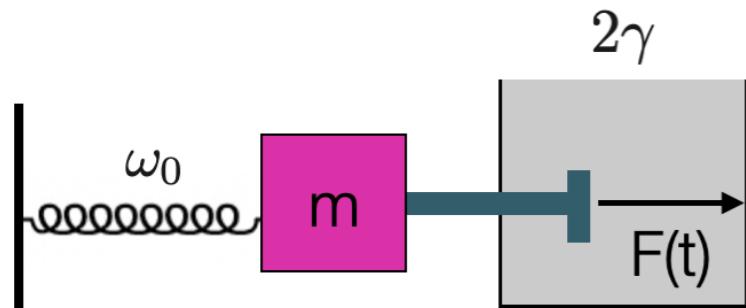
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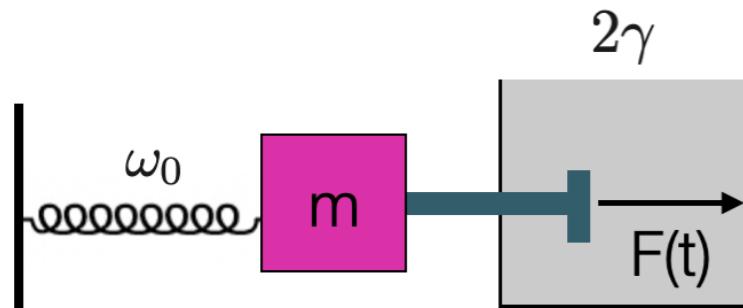
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spectral function

$$A(\omega) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} [G^*(\omega) - G(\omega)] = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma(\omega)}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2(\omega)}$$

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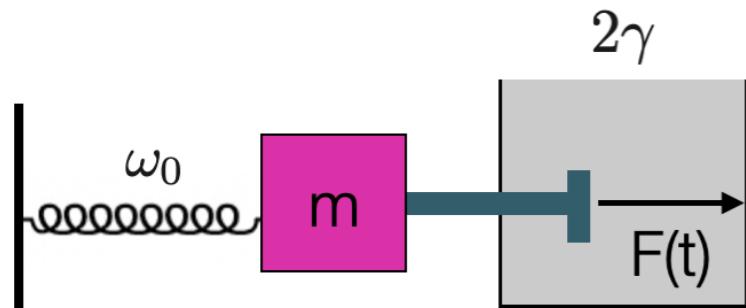
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$\xrightarrow{\text{FT}}$

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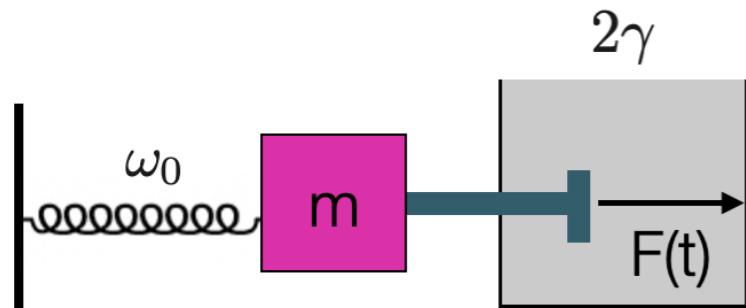
$G(\omega) = \frac{1}{[G_0(\omega)]^{-1} - \Sigma(\omega)}$

$2i\omega\gamma$

FT

The diagram shows the derivation of the Green's function $G(\omega)$ from the time-domain solution $G(t)$. It starts with the differential equation $\frac{d^2G(t)}{dt^2} + 2\gamma \frac{dG(t)}{dt} + \omega_0^2 G(t) = \delta(t)$, which is solved to give $G(t) = \theta(t) \frac{1}{\omega_0} e^{-\gamma t} \sin \omega_0 t$. This is then Fourier transformed (FT) to the frequency domain, where $\gamma = 0$ leads to the free-particle Green's function $G_0(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$. The full Green's function $G(\omega)$ is then derived as $G(\omega) = \frac{1}{[G_0(\omega)]^{-1} - \Sigma(\omega)}$, where $\Sigma(\omega)$ represents the self-energy term, indicated by a red circle around the $\Sigma(\omega)$ term in the denominator.

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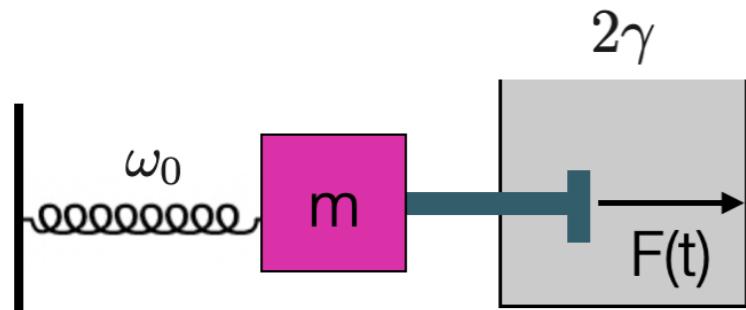
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FT

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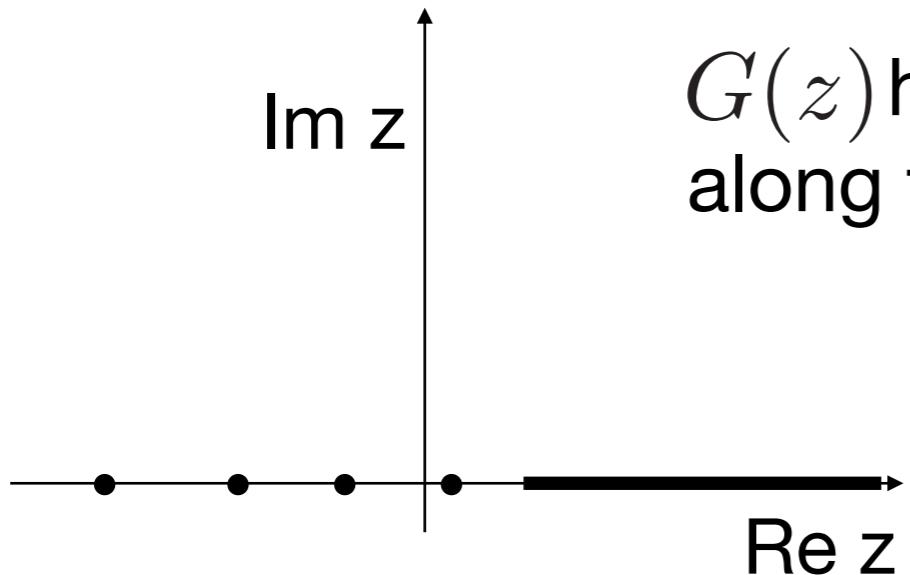
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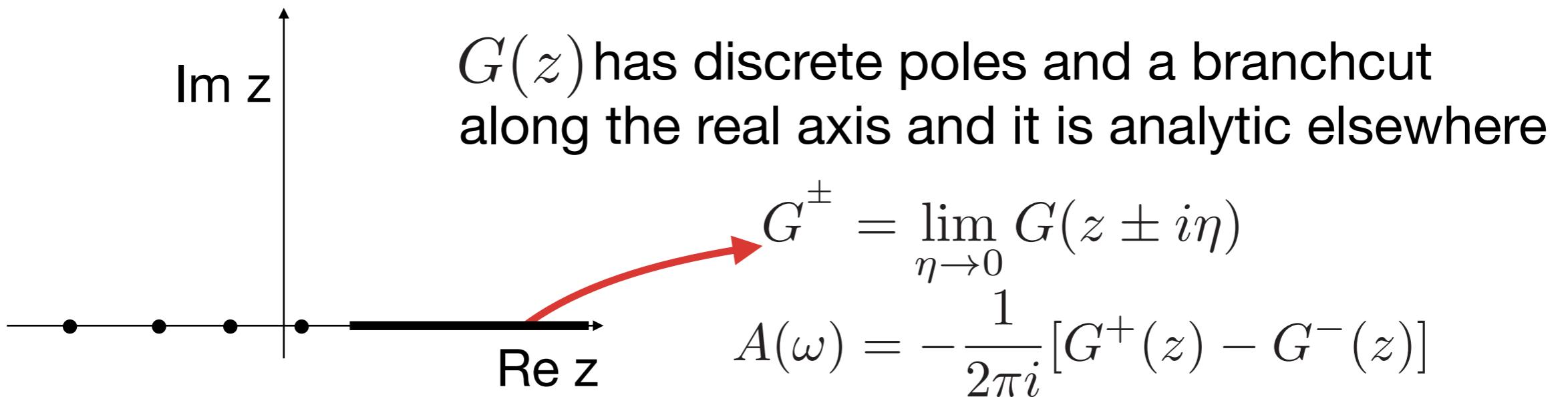
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Notation

● Zero temperature, equilibrium, BOA, non-relativistic

many-body Hamiltonian $\hat{H} = \int d\mathbf{x} \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) h(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \int \int d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{x}' \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}') \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}') \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}) v_c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$

● Combined space-spin-time indices

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A collection of all Hilbert space with arbitrary number of particles define a **Fock space**

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Survival kit: second quantisation

● Fermions

Ψ has to be antisymmetric with respect to the interchange of the coordinates of two electrons

$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_i, \dots, \mathbf{x}_j, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N) = -\Psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_j, \dots, \mathbf{x}_i, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$$

All states of a N-particle system belong to the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_a^{(N)}$
They form a complete set ($\sum_k |\Psi_k\rangle\langle\Psi_k| = \mathbb{1}$), and can always be taken orthonormal
($\langle\Psi_k|\Psi_l\rangle = \delta_{kl}$)

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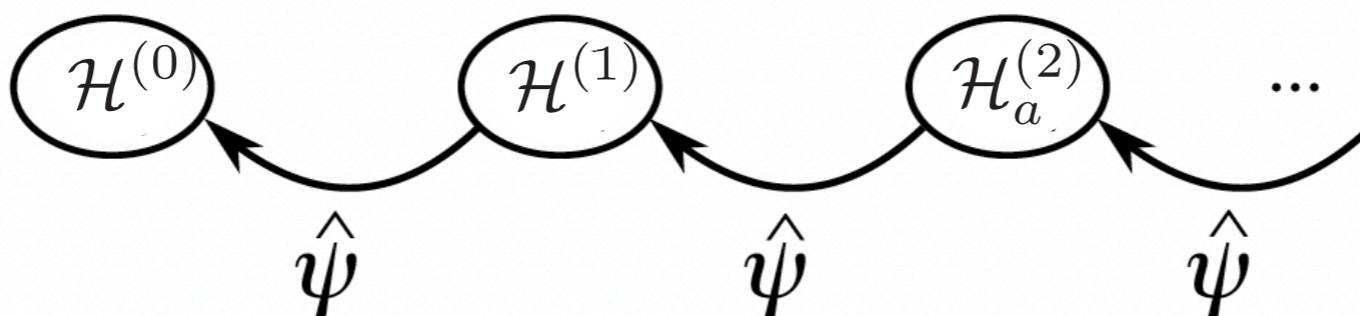
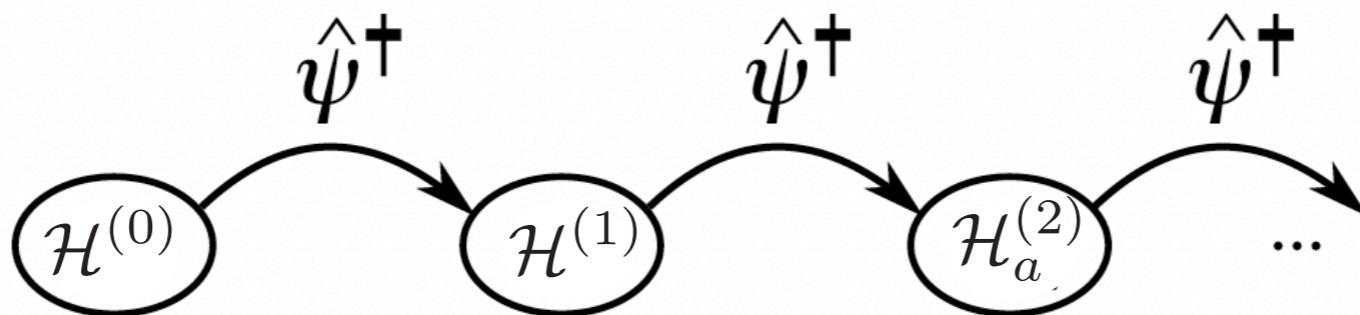
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Survival kit: second quantisation

• Field operators/creation and annihilation operators



$$\{\hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}), \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}')\} = \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$$

$$\{\hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}), \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}')\} = \{\hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}), \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}')\} = 0$$

expansion in a
one-particle
basis set



$$\hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \phi_i^*(\mathbf{x}) \hat{c}_i^\dagger$$

$$\hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \hat{c}_i$$

$$\{\hat{c}_i, \hat{c}_j^\dagger\} = \delta_{ij}$$

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Survival kit: second quantisation

● Hamiltonian in first quantisation

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \nabla_i^2 + \sum_i v(\mathbf{r}_i) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|}$$

● Hamiltonian in second quantisation

$$\hat{H} = \int d\mathbf{x} \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \left[-\frac{\nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2}{2} + v(\mathbf{r}) \right] \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{x}' \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}') \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}') \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x})$$

Survival kit: evolution operator

• Evolution operator

The time evolution operator maps a wavefunction at time t into a wavefunction at time t_0

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(t)\rangle &= \hat{U}(t, t_0)|\Psi(t_0)\rangle \\ \downarrow i\frac{\partial \hat{U}(t, t_0)}{\partial t} &= \hat{H}(t)\hat{U}(t, t_0) \\ \text{\hat{H} time independent} \\ \hat{U}(t, t_0) &= e^{-i\hat{H}(t-t_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Survival kit: pictures

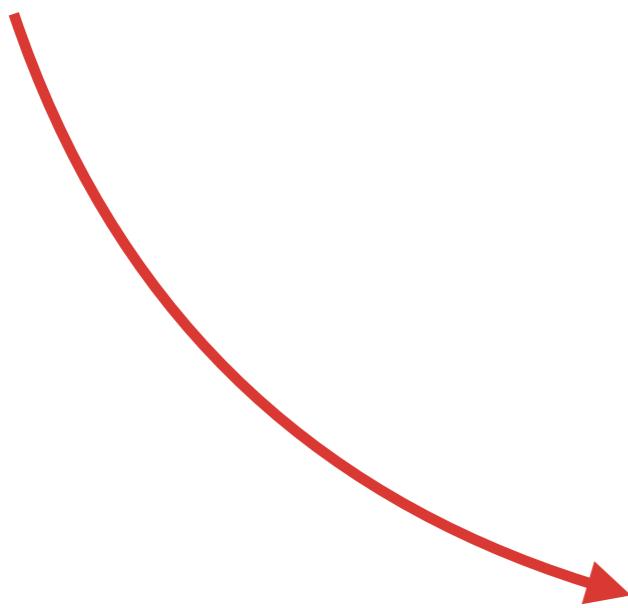
● Pictures

$\hat{A}(t)$ being a general time-dependent operator, unitary at each t

$$\hat{A}^\dagger(t)\hat{A}(t) = 1 = \hat{A}(t)\hat{A}^\dagger(t)$$

The expectation value $\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \langle \Psi | \hat{O} | \Psi \rangle$ can be written as

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \langle \Psi | \hat{A}^\dagger(t)\hat{A}(t)\hat{O}\hat{A}^\dagger(t)\hat{A}(t) | \Psi \rangle = \langle \hat{A}(t)\Psi | \hat{A}(t)\hat{O}\hat{A}^\dagger(t)\hat{A}(t) | \hat{A}(t)\Psi \rangle$$


$$|\Psi_A(t)\rangle \equiv |\hat{A}(t)\Psi\rangle$$

$$\hat{O}_A(t) \equiv \hat{A}(t)\hat{O}\hat{A}^\dagger(t)$$

$$\langle \Psi | \hat{O} | \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi_A | \hat{O}_A | \Psi_A \rangle$$

picture transformation

Survival kit: pictures

- Schrödinger picture: $\hat{A}(t) = 1$

Operators and wavefunctions have their natural time dependence

- Heisenberg picture: $\hat{A}(t) = \hat{U}_S^\dagger(t, t_0) \hat{U}_S(t_0, t)$

$$|\Psi_H(t)\rangle = \hat{U}_s(t_0, t)|\Psi_S(t_0)\rangle = |\Psi_S(t_0)\rangle = \text{constant}$$

$$\hat{O}_H(t) = \hat{U}_S^\dagger(t, t_0) \hat{O}_S(t) \hat{U}_S(t, t_0)$$

\hat{H}_S time independent

$$\hat{O}_H(t) = e^{i\hat{H}_s t} \hat{O}_S(t) e^{-i\hat{H}_s t}$$

time evolution

$$i \frac{d\hat{O}_H(t)}{dt} = i \left[\frac{\partial \hat{O}}{\partial t} \right]_H + [\hat{O}_H, \hat{H}_H]$$

n-body Green's functions

● n-body Green's function

$$G^{(n)}(1, 2, \dots, n; 1', 2', \dots, n') \equiv (-i)^n \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{T}[\hat{\psi}_H(1) \dots \hat{\psi}_H(n) \hat{\psi}_H^\dagger(n') \dots \hat{\psi}_H^\dagger(1')] | \Psi_0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi_0 | \Psi_0 \rangle}$$

field operators in the
Heisenberg picture

$$\hat{\psi}_H(1) = e^{i\hat{H}t_1} \hat{\psi}(\mathbf{x}_1) e^{-i\hat{H}t_1}$$

time-ordering operator

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ground-state many-body
wavefunction

$$|\Psi_0\rangle$$

1-body Green's function

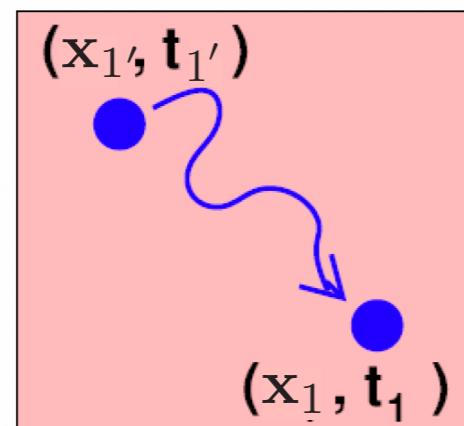
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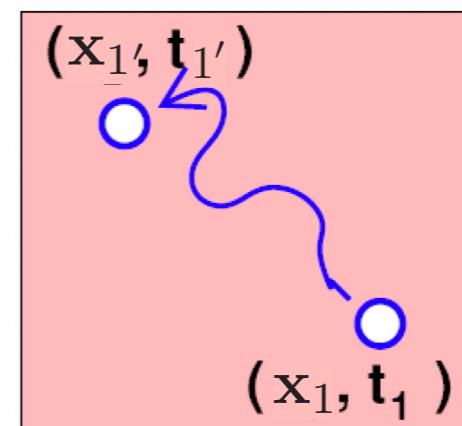
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propagation of an electron



propagation of a hole

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Lehmann representation of 1-GF

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(ground/excited)-state energies of the $(N \pm 1)$ -electron system

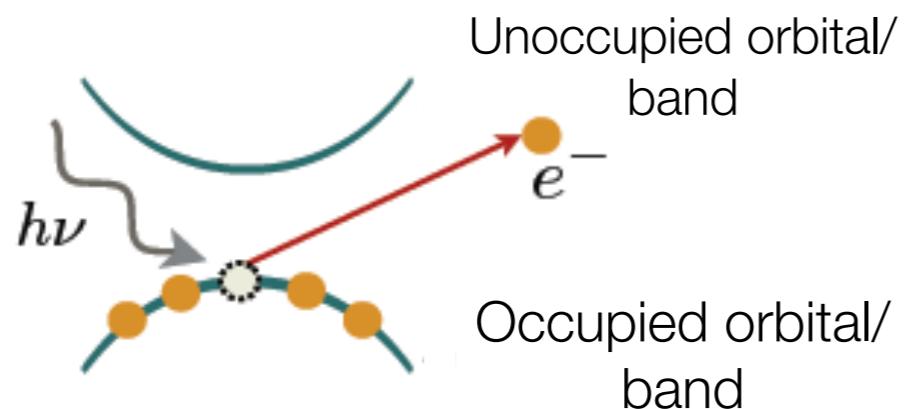
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● Link to photoemission spectra

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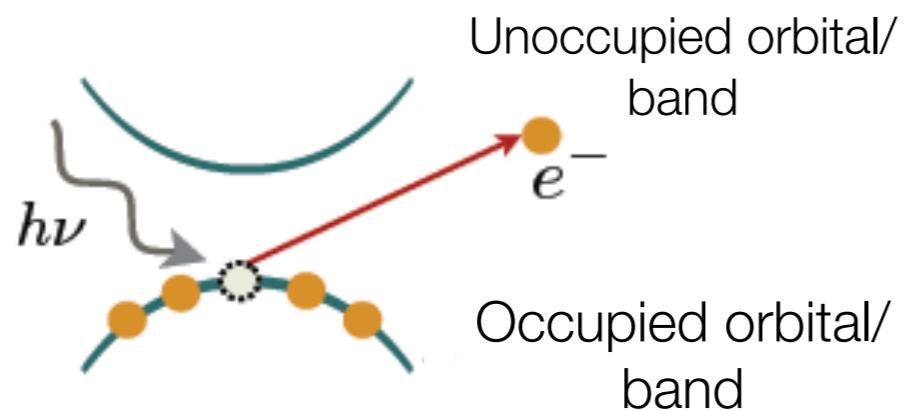
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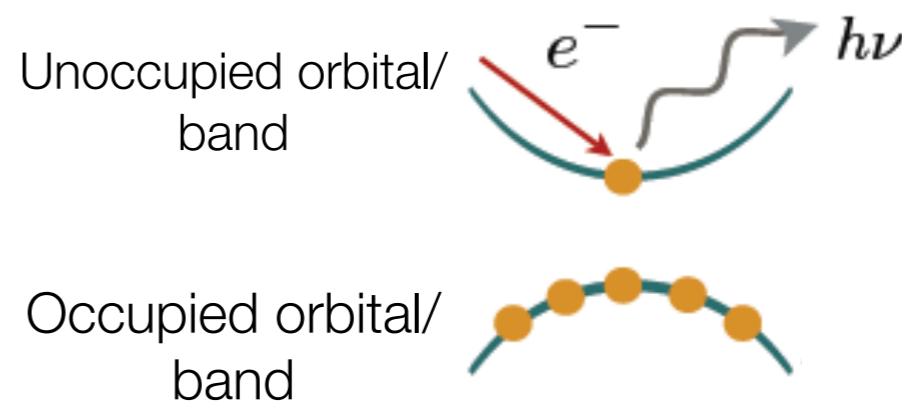
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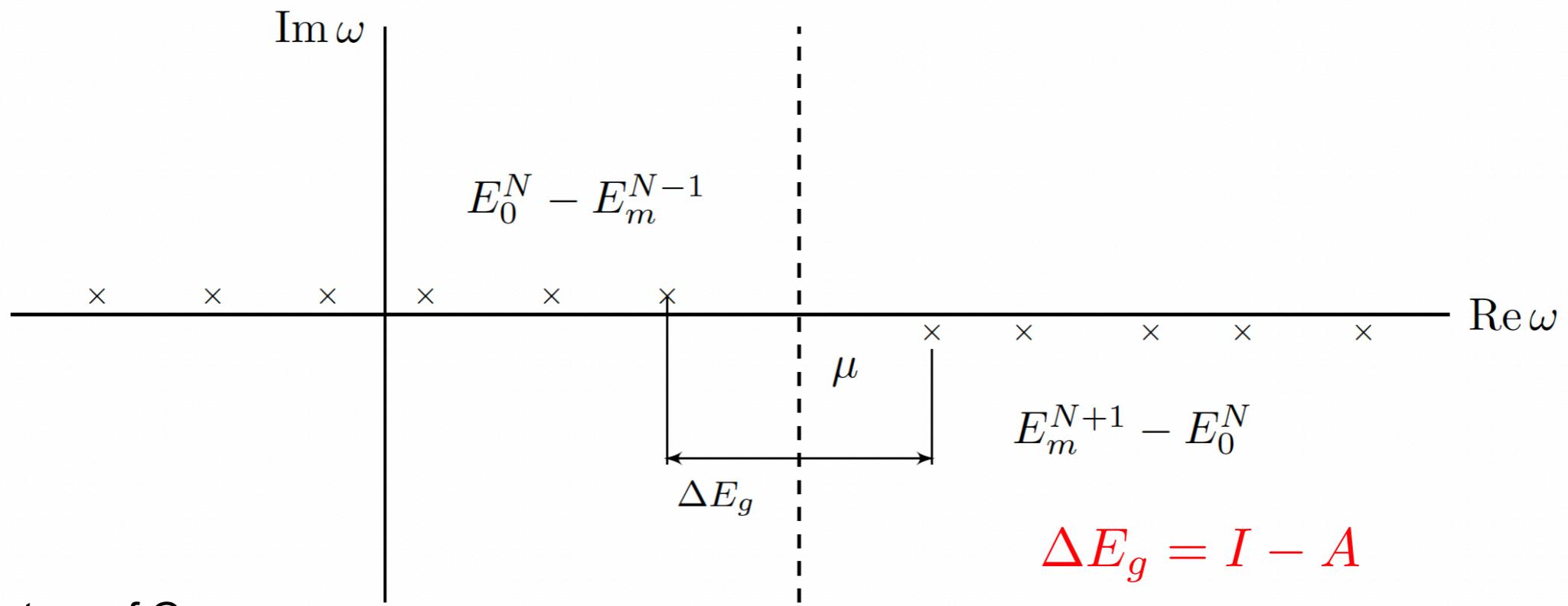
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Polar structure of G

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Feynman-Dyson amplitudes f_m, g_n

$$\sum_m f_m(x_1) f_m^*(x_{1'}) + \sum_n g_n(x_1) g_n^*(x_{1'}) = \delta(x_1 - x_{1'})$$

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noninteracting G
$$G_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'; \omega) = \sum_i \frac{\phi_i(\mathbf{x})\phi_i^*(\mathbf{x}')}{\omega - \epsilon_i^0 + \text{sgn}(\epsilon_i^0 - \mu)i\eta}$$

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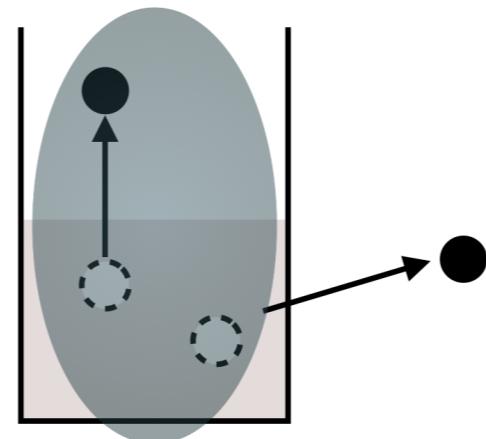
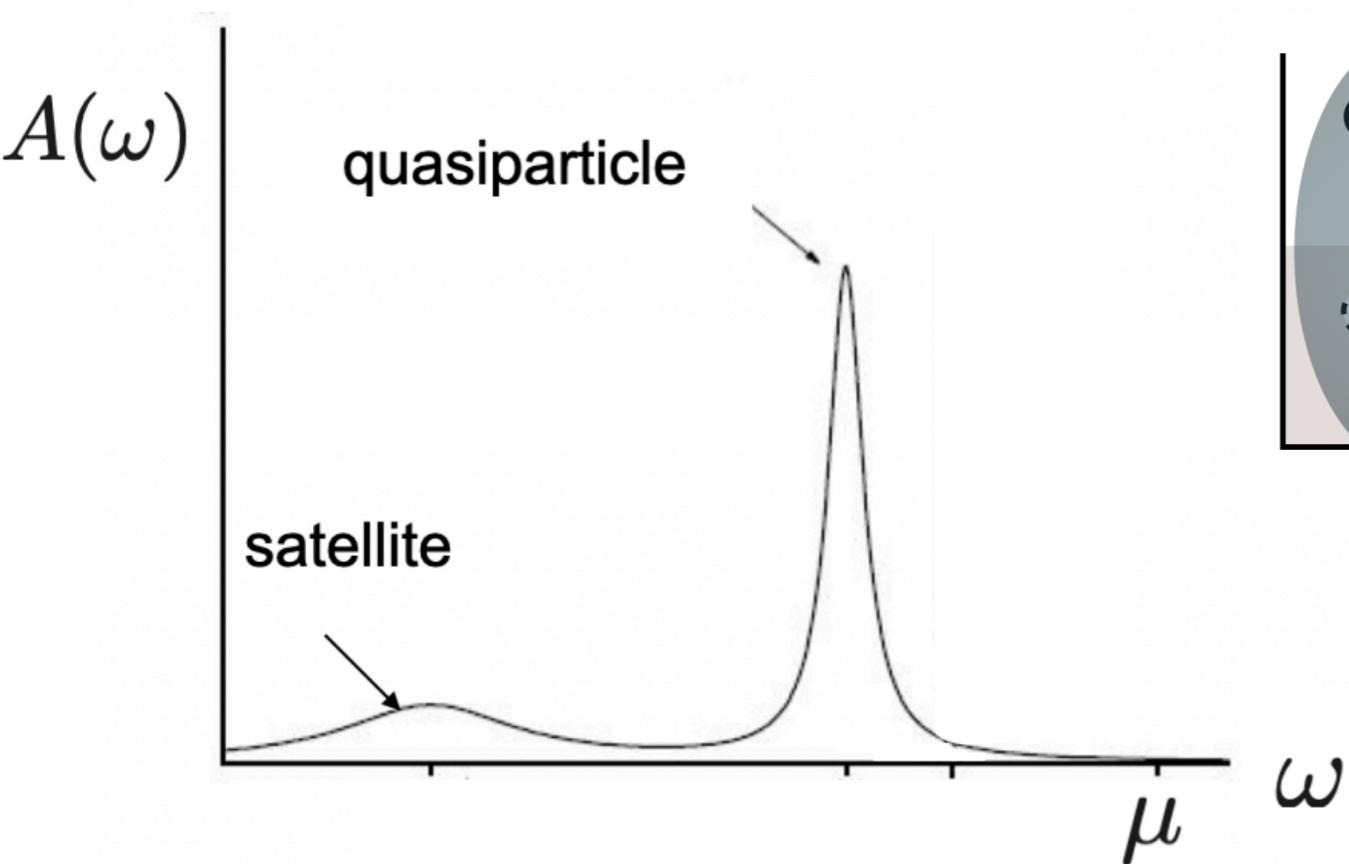
• Spectral function

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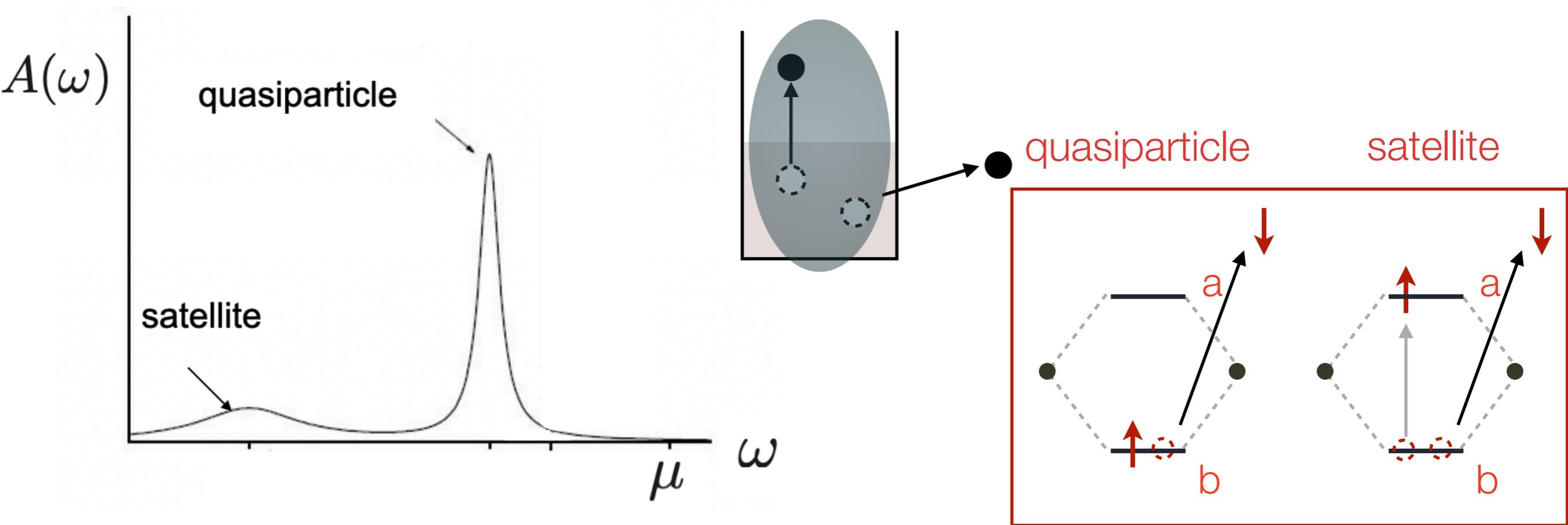
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satellites (e.g., neutral excitations)



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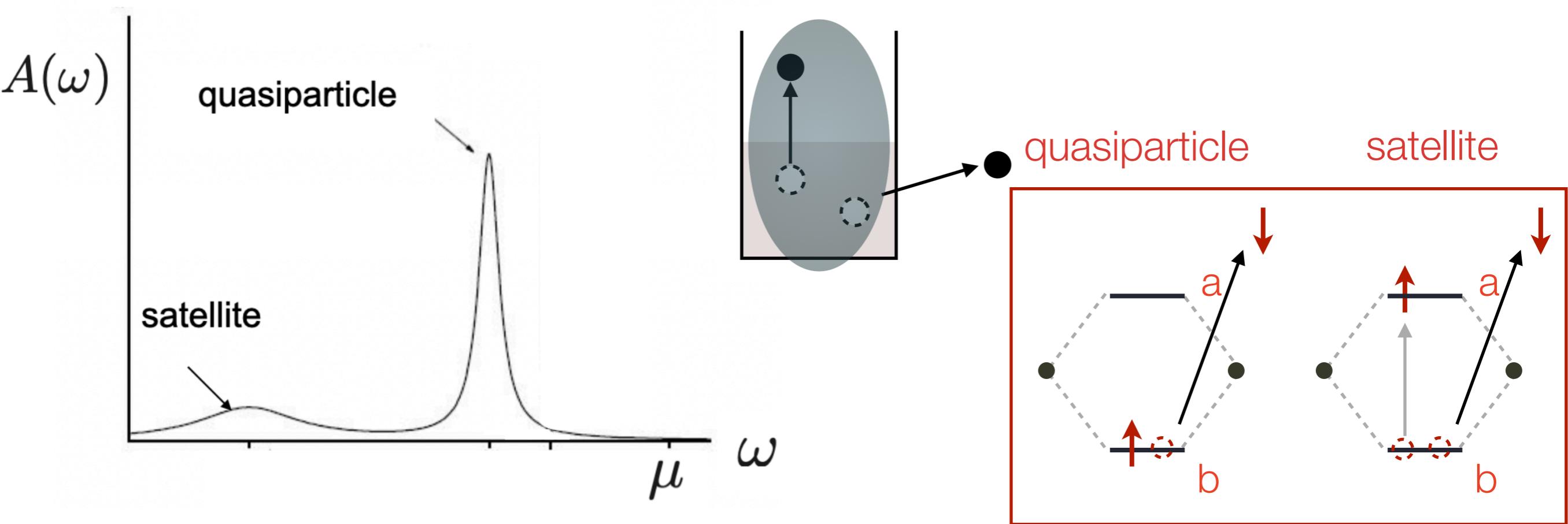
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1-body Green's function

● Physical content of 1-GF

- ▶ the one-particle excitation spectrum of the system
- ▶ the ground-state expectation value of any one-body operator, e.g., the density ρ or the density matrix γ

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) = -iG(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}; t - t^+) \quad \gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = -iG(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}'; t - t^+)$$

- ▶ the ground state total energy

$$E = -\frac{i}{2} \int dx_1 \lim_{t'_1 \rightarrow t_1^+} \lim_{x'_1 \rightarrow x_1} \left[i \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} + h(x_1) \right] G(1, 1')$$

1-body Green's function

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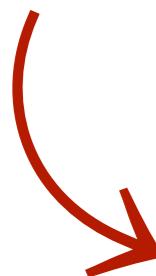
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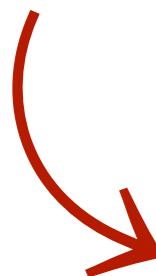
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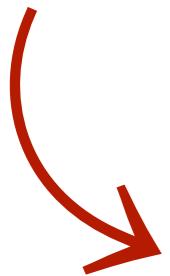
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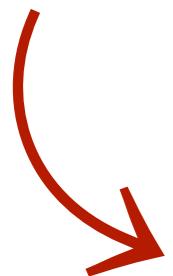
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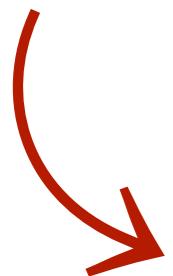
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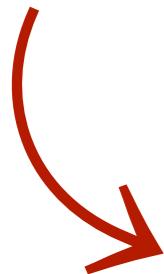
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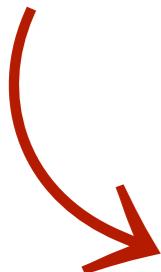
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How to truncate this hierarchy?

1-body Green's function

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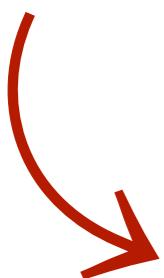
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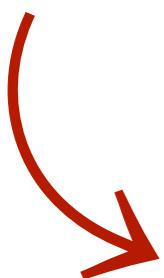
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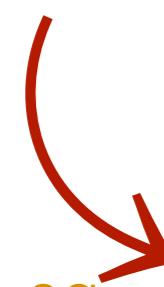
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1-body Green's function

• Why a Dyson equation?

$$\begin{aligned} G(\omega) &= [1 - G_0(\omega)\Sigma(\omega)]^{-1} G_0(\omega) \\ &= G_0(\omega) + G_0(\omega)\Sigma(\omega)G_0(\omega) + G_0(\omega)\Sigma(\omega)G_0(\omega)\Sigma(\omega)G_0(\omega) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

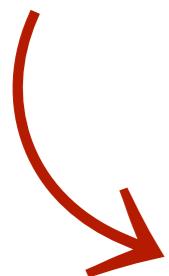
Even approximating Σ to low order in the interaction, solving the Dyson equation create **contributions to all orders**

1-body Green's function

• Self-energy and Dyson equation

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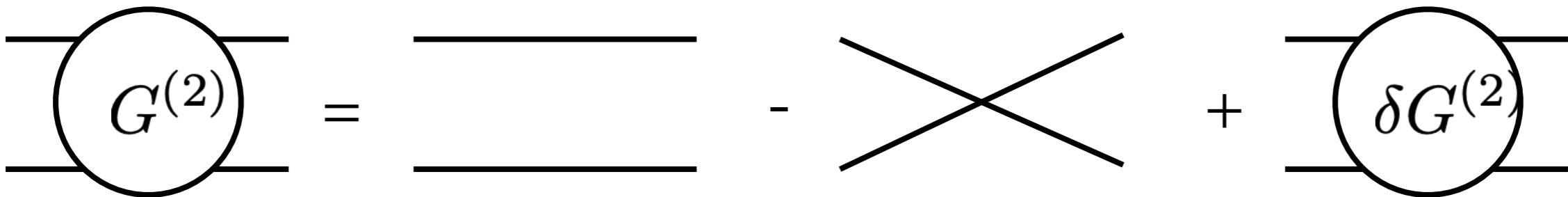
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1-body Green's function

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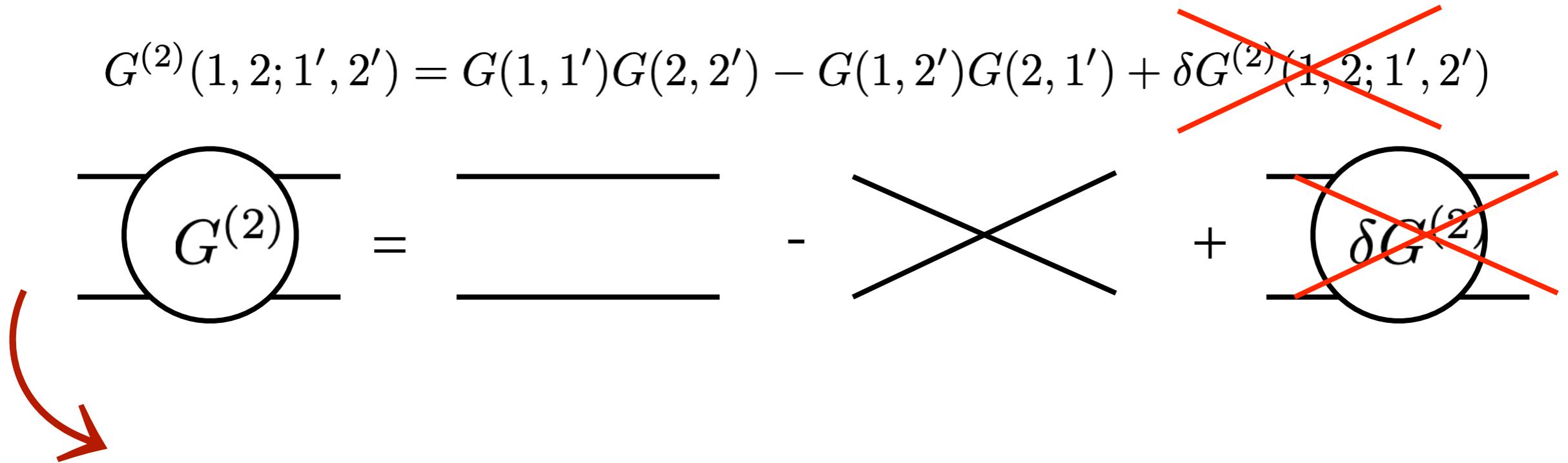
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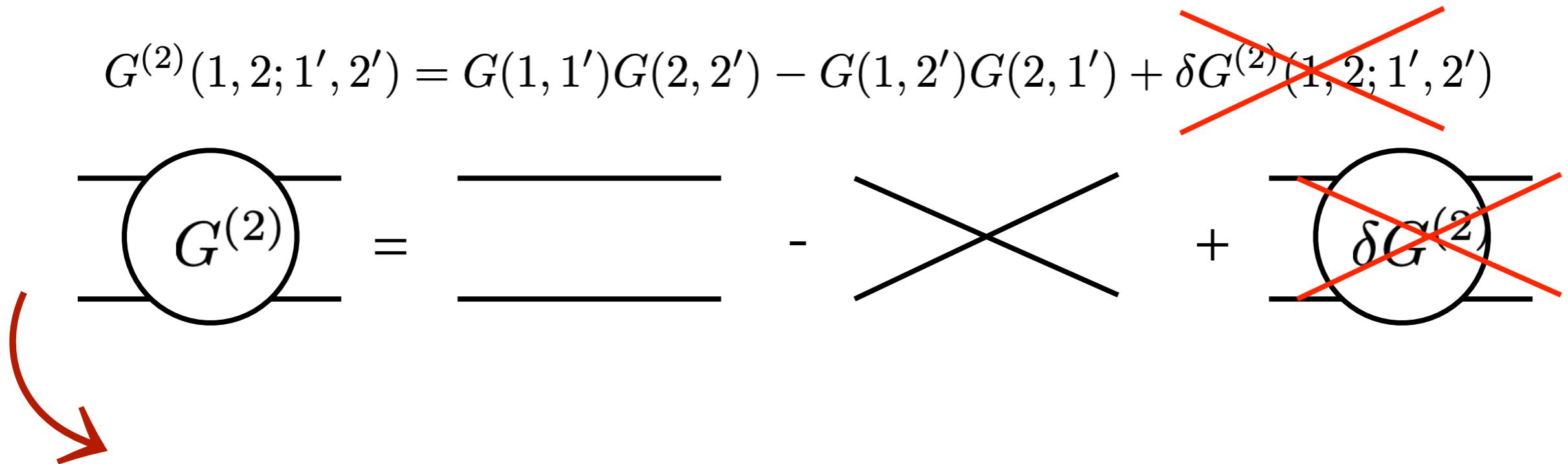
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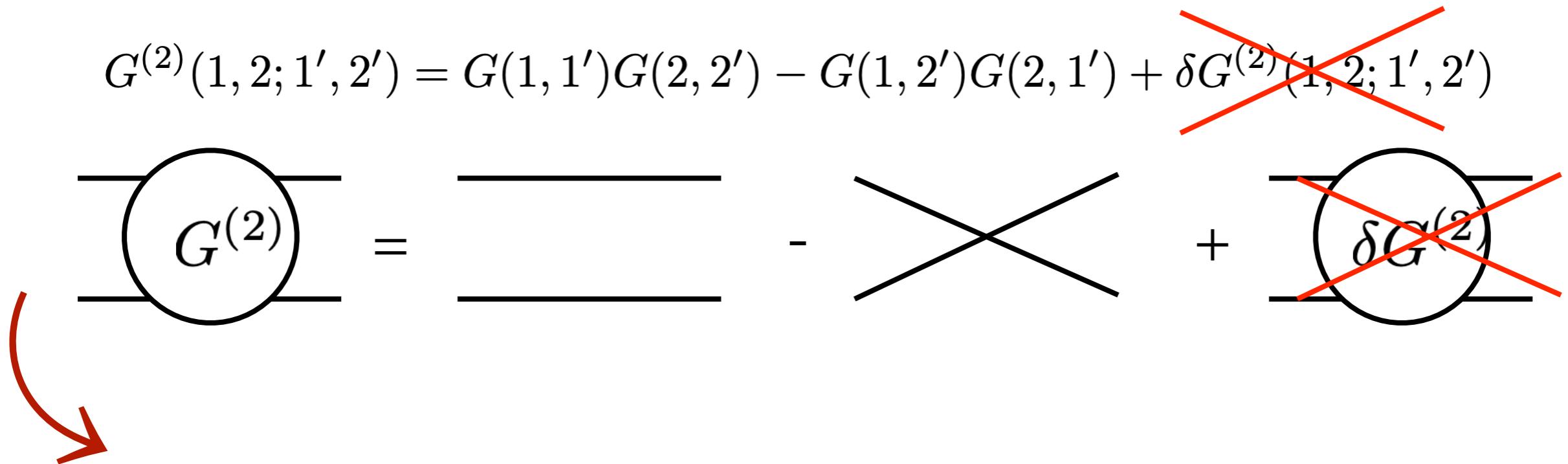
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How to go beyond HF?

1-body Green's function

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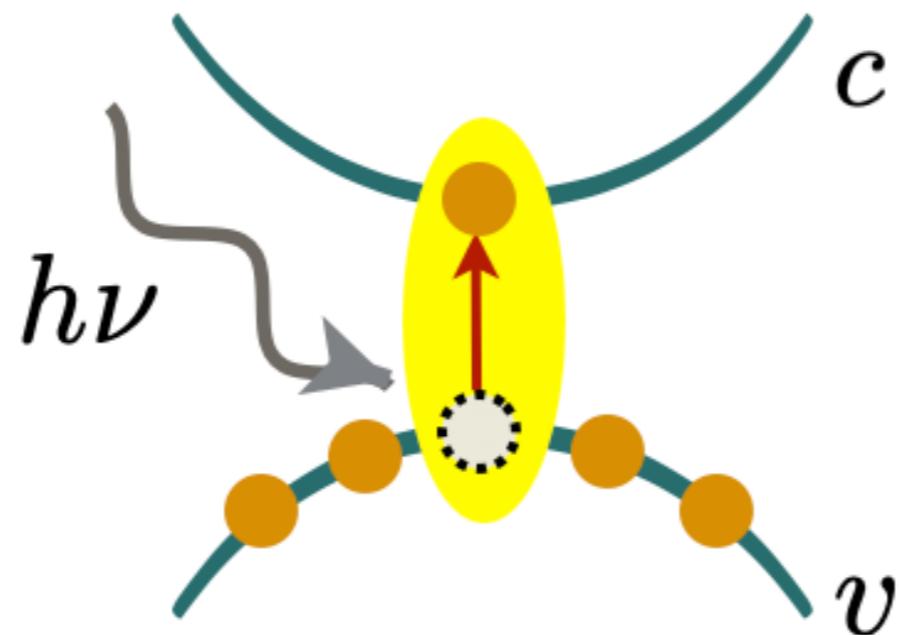
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See next week!

2-body Green's function

- Neutral excitations/Absorption spectrum



The excited **electron** and the **hole** left behind **interact**
A two-particle correlation function is needed ($G^{(2)}$)

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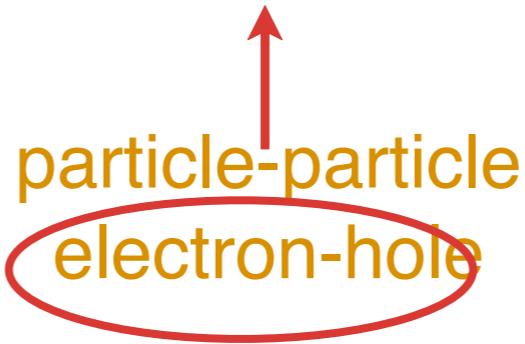
$$\begin{aligned} t_2, t_{2'} &> t_1, t_{1'} \\ &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \langle N | \hat{T}[\hat{\psi}(1) \hat{\psi}^\dagger(1')] | N, i \rangle \langle N, i | \hat{T}[\hat{\psi}(2) \hat{\psi}^\dagger(2')] | N \rangle \\ t_1, t_{2'} &> t_2, t_{1'} \\ &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \chi_i(1, 1') \tilde{\chi}_i(2, 2') \\ t_2, t_{1'} &> t_1, t_{2'} \\ &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} e^{i(E_0 - E_i)\tau} \chi_i(x_1, x_{1'}, \tau_1) \tilde{\chi}_i(x_2, x_{2'}, \tau_2) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} G^{(2),eh}(\tau_1, \tau_2, \omega) &= \frac{1}{i} \lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0^+} \sum_{\omega_i} \frac{X_i(x_1, x_{1'}, \tau_1) \tilde{X}_i(x_2, x_{2'}, \tau_2) \text{sign}(\omega_i)}{\omega - \omega_i + i\eta \text{sign}(\omega_i)} \quad \omega_i = E_i - E_0 \\ &\times \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{2} \text{sign}(\omega_i) [\omega - \omega_i] [|\tau_1| + |\tau_2|] \right\} \\ &+ \text{contributions non singular at } \omega_i \end{aligned}$$

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See next week!

Spoiler: use Schwinger relation

$$\frac{\delta G(1, 1'; [V_{ext}])}{\delta V_{ext}(2', 2)} = -G^{(2)}(1, 2; 1', 2^+; [V_{ext}]) + G(1, 1'; [V_{ext}])G(2, 2^+; [V_{ext}])$$

n-body Green's function

● Dyson equation

$$\left[i \frac{d}{dt_k} - h(k) \right] G^{(n)}(1, \dots, n; 1', \dots, n') = \sum_j (-1)^{k+j} \delta(k, j') G^{(n-1)}(1, \dots, \tilde{j}, \dots, n; 1', \dots, \tilde{k}', \dots, n')$$

$$-i \int d\bar{1} v_c(k, \bar{1}) G^{(n+1)}(1, \dots, n, \bar{1}; 1', \dots, n', \bar{1}^+)$$



$$G^{(n)}(\omega) = G_0^{(n)}(\omega) + G_0^{(n)}(\omega) \Sigma_n(\omega) G^{(n)}(\omega)$$

One can recast the EoM of the n-GF in a Dyson equation at the price of a very complicated self-energy...or

n-body Green's function

• n-body self-energy

$$\Sigma_n(\omega) = G_0^{(n),-1} - G^{(n),-1}$$

$G_0^{(n)}$ defines the space in which the Dyson equation has to be solved

Express Σ_n in terms of Σ_2

n-body Green's function

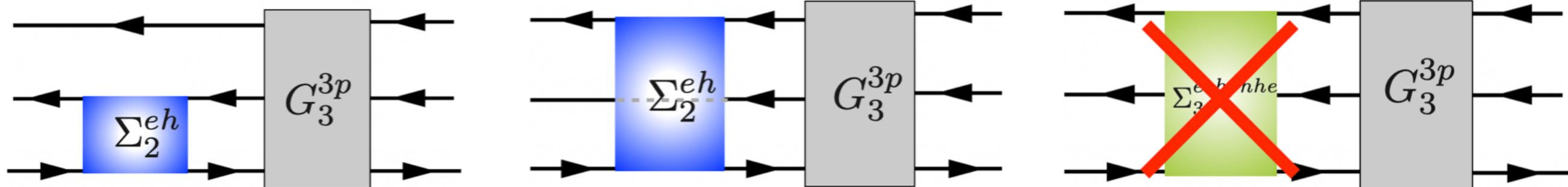
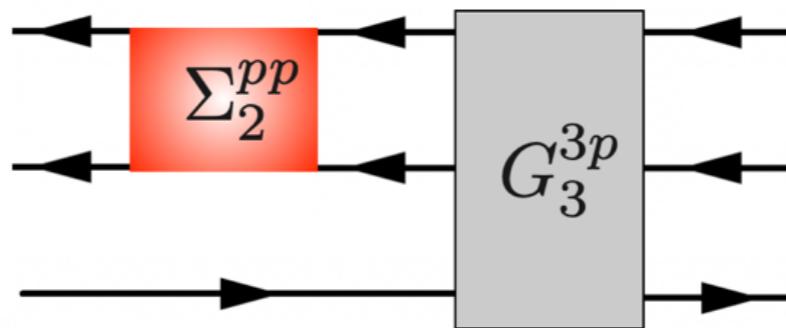
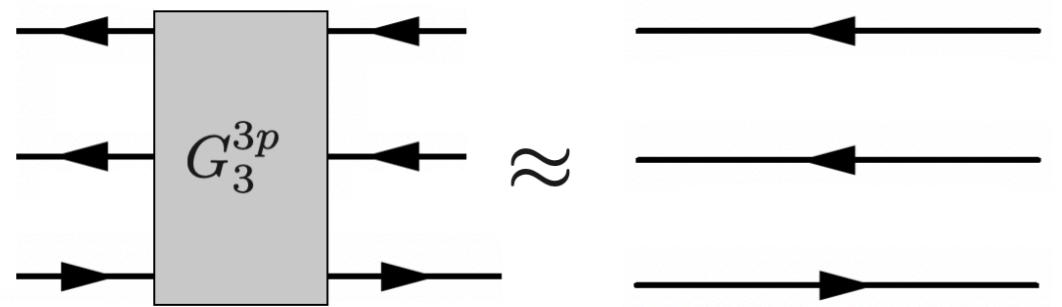
Example: the 3-GF

$$G_3(\omega) = G_{03}(\omega) + G_{03}(\omega)\Sigma_3(\omega)G_3(\omega)$$

$$G_{03}(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} G_{01}(\omega) & 0 \\ 0 & G_{03}^{3p}(\omega) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$G_{01,(im)}(\omega) = \frac{\delta_{im}}{\omega - \epsilon_i + i\eta \text{sign}(\epsilon_i - \mu)}$$

$$G_{03,(i>jl;m>ok)}^{3p}(\omega) = \frac{\delta_{im}\delta_{jo}\delta_{lk}(f_i - f_l)(f_j - f_l)}{\omega - \epsilon_i^0 - (\epsilon_j^0 - \epsilon_l^0) + i\eta \text{sign}(\epsilon_i^0 - \mu)}$$



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