

# Field-Driven Quantum Systems, From Transient to Steady State

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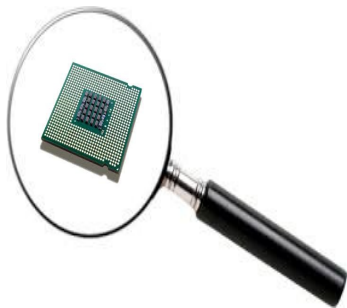
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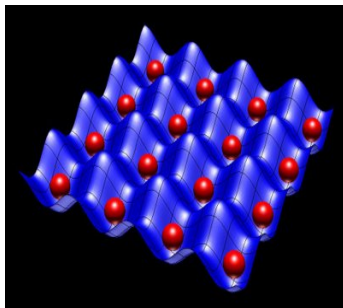


## Device Miniaturization



- ▶ Small potential difference  
    ↓
- ▶ Large electric fields
- ▶ Beyond linear response

## Ultracold Atoms Optical Lattices



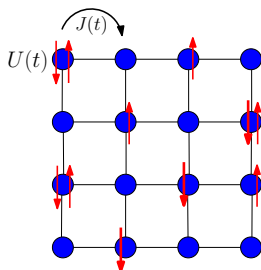
$$|\Psi(t = t_0)\rangle \xrightarrow{?} |\Psi_{SS}(t \gg t_0)\rangle$$

Prepared state      Steady state

Thermal State?

# Models: Hubbard, Falicov-Kimball

Hubbard,  
Falicov-Kimball



F-K: Heavy-light  
mixture.

$$H_{eq} = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \sigma} J_{ij\sigma} \left( c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + h.c. \right)$$

$$- \mu \sum_{i\sigma} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma} + U \sum_i n_{i\sigma} n_{i\bar{\sigma}}$$

$$J_{ij\sigma} = J_{ij\bar{\sigma}} = J \rightarrow \text{Hubbard}$$

$$J_{ij\downarrow} = 0 \text{ and } J_{ij\uparrow} = J \rightarrow \text{F-K}$$

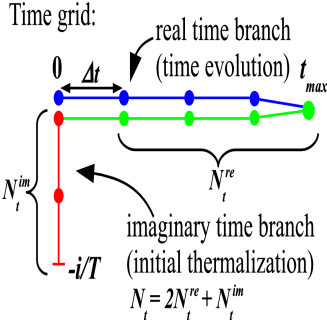
$$\text{Electric field: } E(t) = E\theta(t - t_0)$$

Peierls substitution:

$$J_{ij\sigma} \rightarrow J_{ij\sigma} e^{\left[ -i \int_{R_i}^{R_j} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) d\mathbf{r} \right]}$$

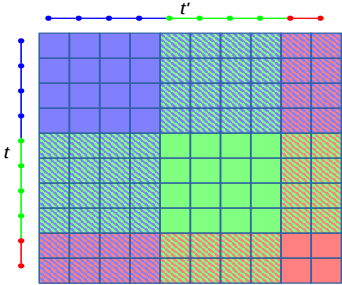
# Methods

## Kadanoff Baym Keldysh Schwinger formalism Two-time contour ordered Green's function



Contour ordered Greens function:

$$G_c(t, t') = -i \langle T_c c(t) c^\dagger(t') \rangle$$

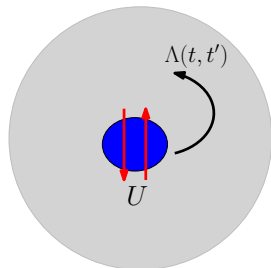


# NonEquilibrium DMFT

Lattice to Impurity

Need Impurity Solver

Exact solution for the Falicov-Kimball model



$$G_{imp}^c(t, t')$$

=


$$(1 - \langle w_1 \rangle) [(i\partial_t^c + \mu) \delta_c(t, t') - \Lambda(t, t')]^{-1} \\ + \langle w_1 \rangle [(i\partial_t^c + \mu - U) \delta_c(t, t') - \Lambda(t, t')]^{-1}$$

Half-filling,  $\langle w_1 \rangle = 0.5$

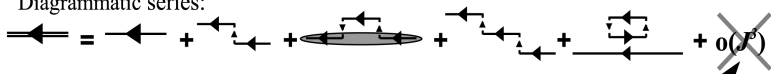
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# Nonequilibrium Strong Coupling Expansion

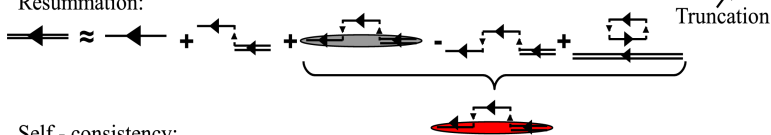
Atomic Green's function = 

Hopping = 

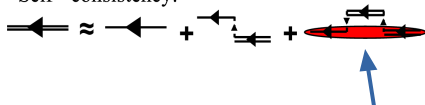
Diagrammatic series:



Resummation:



Self-consistency:



$o(N_t^4)$  operations



# Two-Time Green's Function

$G^{R,<,>}(t, t')$  extracted from contour ordered  $G^c(t, t')$

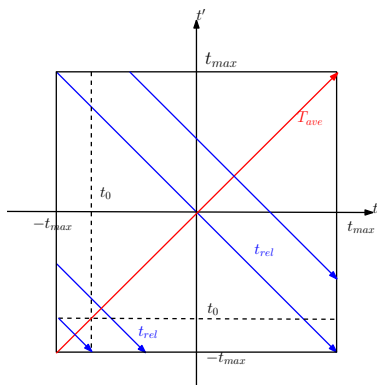
$G^R \Rightarrow$  Density Of States

$G^< \Rightarrow$  Distribution Function

Observables:

$J(t), E_{Kin}(t), E_{Pot}(t), E_{Tot}(t)$

# Wigner Coordinates



$$T_{ave} = (t + t')/2$$

$$t_{rel} = t - t'$$

$$G^{R,<}(T_{ave}, t_{rel})$$

$G^R(T_{ave}, \omega) \Rightarrow$  Density Of States  
at time  $T_{ave}$

$G^{<}(T_{ave}, \omega) \Rightarrow$  Distribution Function  
at time  $T_{ave}$



# Thermalization

Thermal State:

$$\text{FDT: } G^<(T_{ave}, \omega) = -2iF_T(\omega) \text{Im}G^R(T_{ave}, \omega)$$

$$\text{Re}G^<(T_{ave}, \omega) \rightarrow 0$$

Joule heating:  $\mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{E}$

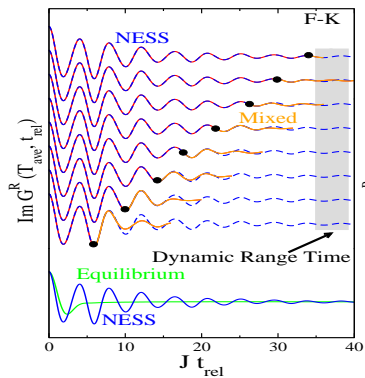
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# Density of states

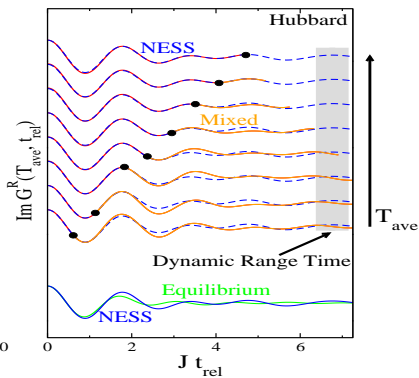
Falicov-Kimball

$E=1.0$ ,  $U=3.0$ ,  $T=0.1$ .



Hubbard

$U/J=24$ ,  $U/T=4$ ,  $E/U=(1,1,1)$



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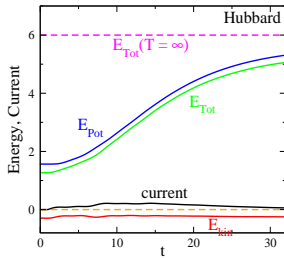
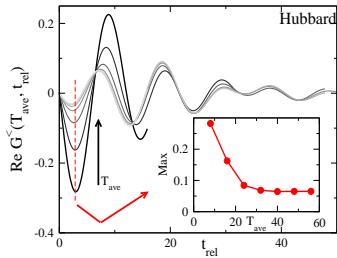
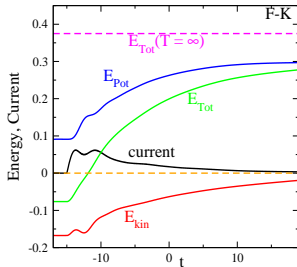
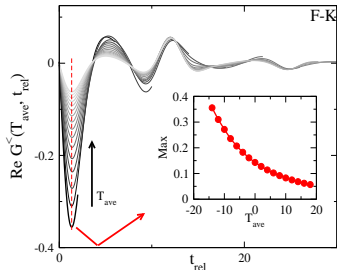
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- ▶ Oscillatory
- ▶ Thermalization
- ▶ No Thermalization

In the Hubbard model:

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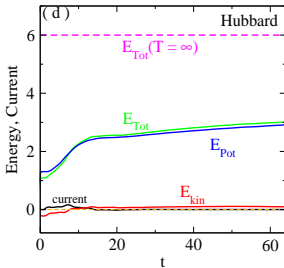
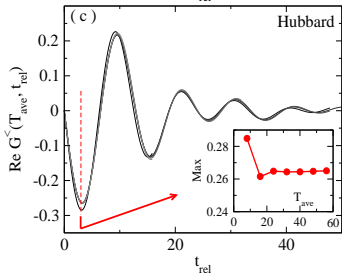
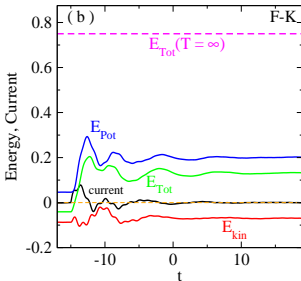
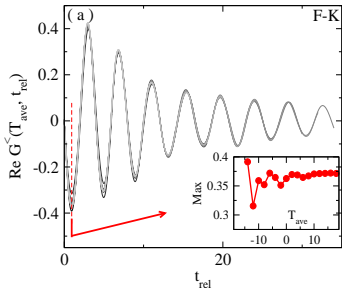
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# Monotonic thermalization



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# Monotonic approach to non-thermal state



F-K,  $E=2.0$ ,  $U=3.0$ ,  $T=0.1$ . Hubbard,  $U/J=24$ ,  $E/U=1.25(1,0,0)$ ,  $U/T=4$ .

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What about integrability?





# Distribution Function

- ▶ E-field along the diagonal  $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}(1, 1, 1, \dots)$
- ▶ Wigner distribution function  $n_{\mathbf{k}}(t)$

$$n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) = -iG_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{A}(t)}^{<}(t, t)$$

- ▶ Band Energy, Band Velocity

$$E(k) = \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-J^*}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d \cos(k_i)$$

$$V(k) = \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-J^*}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d \sin(k_i)$$

- ▶  $n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) \rightarrow n_{E(k), V(k)}(t)$
- ▶ Isolated system, Joule heating:  $\mathcal{J}(t) \cdot \mathcal{E}$
- ▶  $T \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $n_{\mathbf{k}}(t) \rightarrow 0.5$

## Time evolution of Wigner distribution function

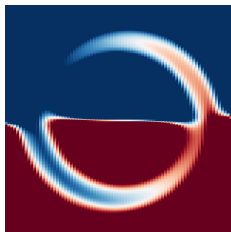
TOF measurements for heavy-light Fermi-Fermi mixtures

Movies produced with Paraview/VTK

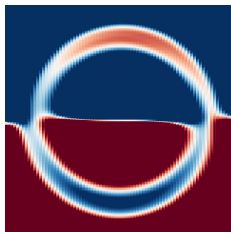
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# Still Images, $E=2.0$ , $U=0.25$

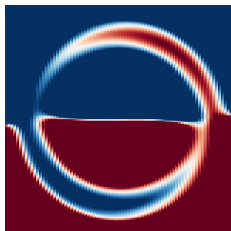
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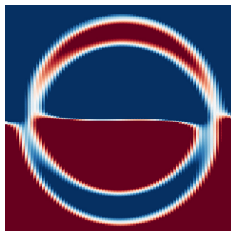
$$t_0 + 2\pi/U + 0.5 \times 2\pi/\mathcal{E}$$



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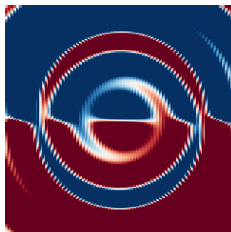


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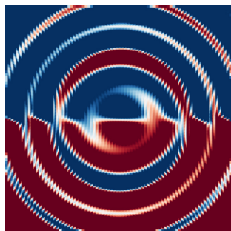
$$t_0 + 2 \times 2\pi/U$$



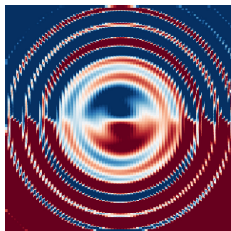
$$t_0 + 3 \times 2\pi/U$$



$$t_0 + 4 \times 2\pi/U$$



$$t_0 + 7 \times 2\pi/U$$



# Still Images, $E=2.0$ , $U=1.0$

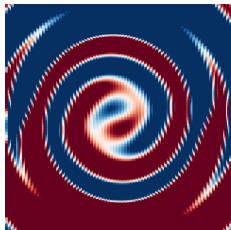
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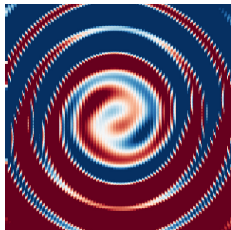
$t_0 + 2 \times 2\pi/U$



$t_0 + 3 \times 2\pi/U$



$t_0 + 3 \times 2\pi/U$



# Between the Transient and the steady state

Desire solution from transient to steady state.

The case of field-driven correlated systems

Computational approaches:

- ▶ Sign problem in Quantum Monte Carlo
- ▶ Poor scaling
- ▶ Computational time and memory

What about extrapolation from transient?

## Beyond $t_{max}$

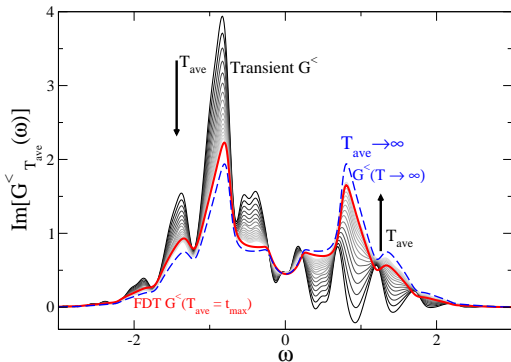
- ▶ Want momentum dependent quantities at longer times
- ▶ Increase  $t_{max} \rightarrow$  More memory, longer run times
- ▶ DMFT:  $\Sigma_k(t, t') = \Sigma(t, t')$ ,  
 $G_k(t, t') = [G_k^0(t, t')^{-1} - \Sigma(t, t')]^{-1}$
- ▶ Instead, extrapolate the self-energy  $\Sigma(t, t')$
- ▶  $\Sigma(t, t')$  also satisfies FDT:  
 $\Sigma^<(T_{ave}, \omega) = -2iF_T(\omega)Im\Sigma^R(T_{ave}, \omega)$
- ▶ For FK model, we have an exact solution for the Steady State DMFT.



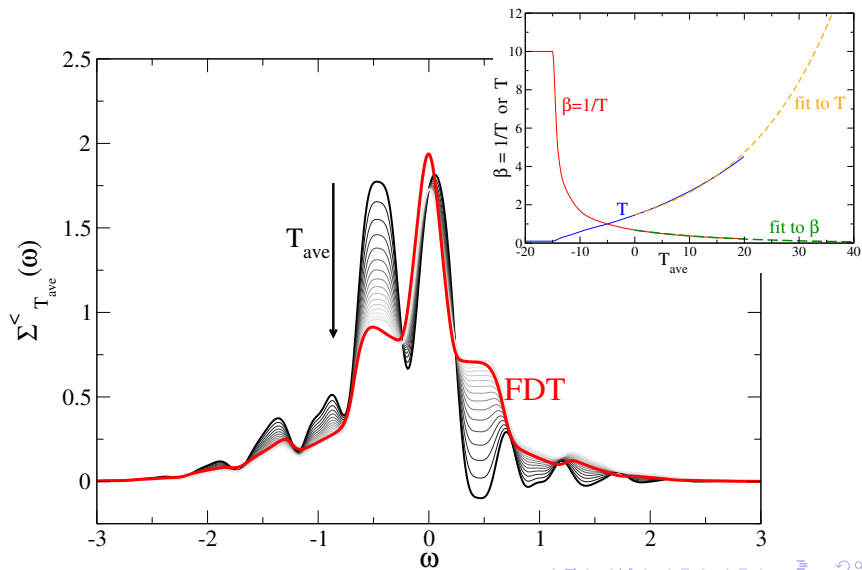
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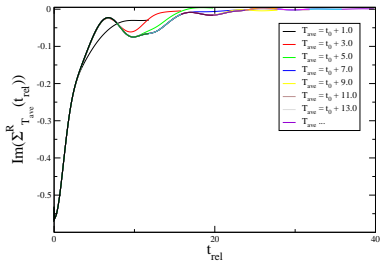
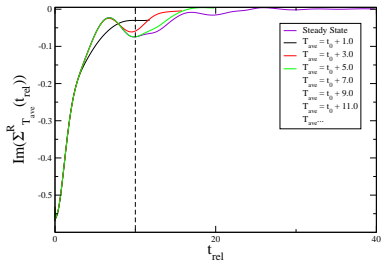
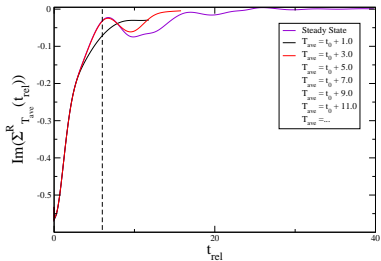
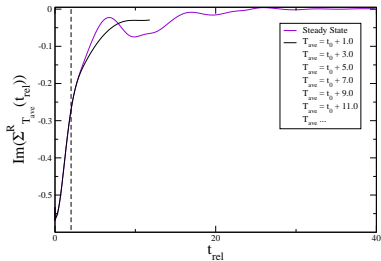
Monotonic thermalization  
System evolves through successive effective temperature states.



# FDT for the Self-energy

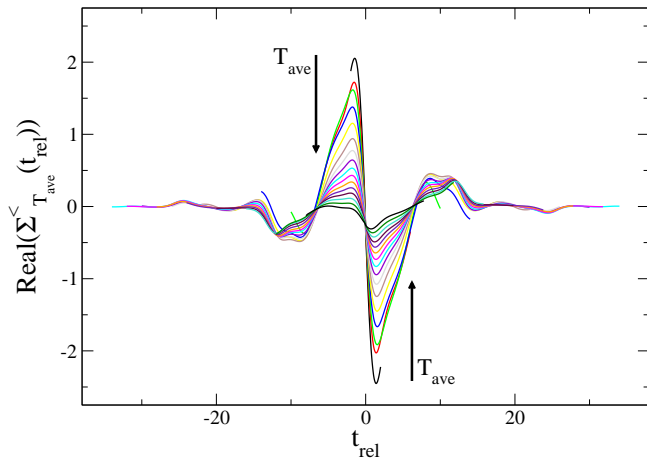


$\text{Im}\Sigma_{T_{\text{ave}}}^{R,<}(t_{\text{rel}})$  completely defined by causality



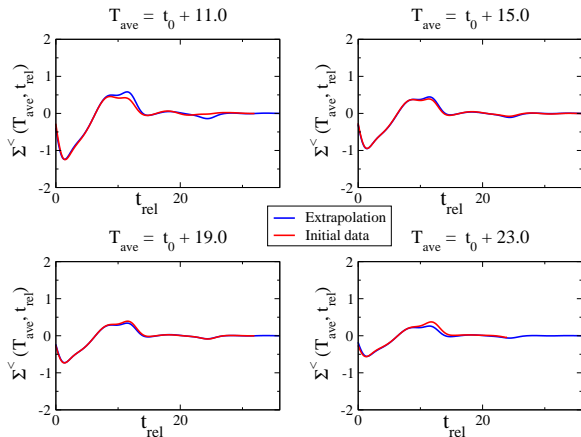
# Monotonic Thermalization of $\Sigma$

Relaxation completely captured by  $Real\Sigma_{T_{ave}}^<(t_{rel})$ .



# Extrapolate $\Sigma$ to longer $T_{ave}$ ...

Extrapolation to longer  $t_{max}$



Can calculate k-dependent quantities to longer  $t_{max}$

# Conclusion and outlook

## Field-Driven Quantum System

- ▶ Different Relaxation scenarios
- ▶ What about integrability?
- ▶ Frustrated phase separation
- ▶ Extrapolation scheme to bridge the gap between transient and steady state
- ▶ Can calculate momentum dependent quantities at longer times
- ▶ How about oscillatory relaxation?

Thank you!