

Correlated Electron Dynamics in Finite Hubbard Clusters: Benchmarking the G1—G2 Scheme

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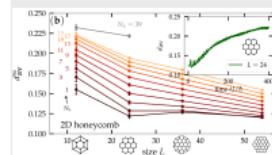
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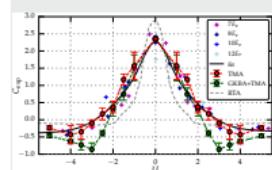
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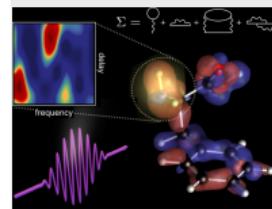
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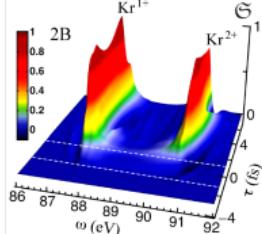
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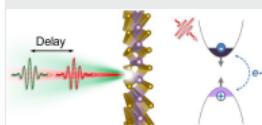
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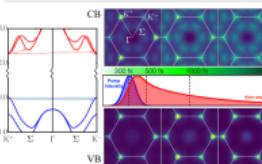


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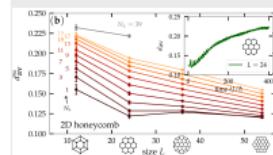


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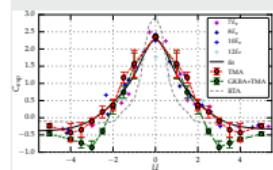
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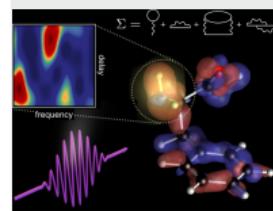
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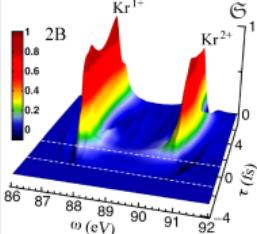
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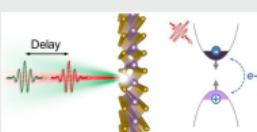
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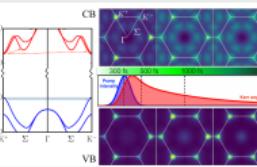


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This talk:

- I present **G1-G2 scheme**: time-linear [$\mathcal{O}(N_t^1)$] formulation of NEGF theory, greatly increasing its applicability
- II improve approximation and stability using two-electron reduced density matrix (**2RDM**) theory

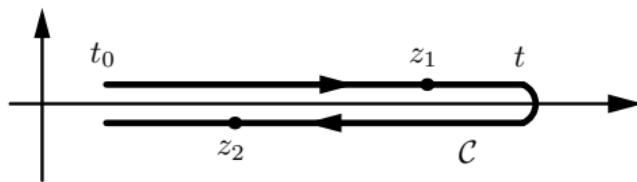
Nonequilibrium Green Functions (NEGF)

two times $z, z' \in \mathcal{C}$ ("Keldysh contour"), arbitrary one-particle basis $|\phi_i\rangle$

$$G_{ij}(z, z') = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \hat{T}_C \hat{c}_i(z) \hat{c}_j^\dagger(z') \rangle \quad \text{average with } \rho^N$$

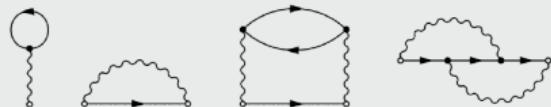
Keldysh–Kadanoff–Baym equations (KBE) on \mathcal{C} (2×2 matrix):

$$\sum_k \left\{ i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \delta_{ik} - h_{ik}(z) \right\} G_{kj}(z, z') = \delta_{\mathcal{C}}(z, z') \delta_{ij} - i\hbar \sum_{klm} \int_{\mathcal{C}} d\bar{z} w_{iklm}(z^+, \bar{z}) G_{lmjk}^{(2)}(z, \bar{z}; z', \bar{z}^+)$$



KBE: first equation of Martin–Schwinger hierarchy
 for $G, G^{(2)} \dots G^{(n)}$

- $\int_{\mathcal{C}} w G^{(2)} \rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{C}} \Sigma G$, Selfenergy
- Nonequilibrium Diagram technique
 Example: Hartree–Fock + Second Born self-energy



Selfenergy Approximations¹

Choice depends on coupling strength, density (filling)

Hartree–Fock (HF, mean field): $\sim w^1$

Second Born (2B): $\sim w^2$

3rd order approx. (TOA): $\sim w^3$

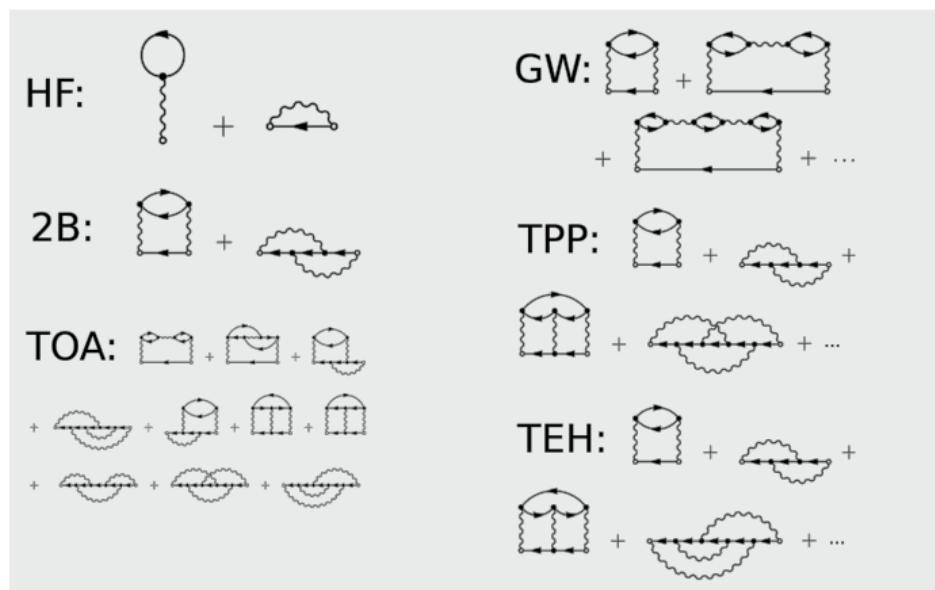
GW: ∞ bubble summation,
dynamical screening effects

particle-particle T -matrix (TPP):

∞ ladder sum in pp channel

particle-hole T -matrix (TPH/TEH):

∞ ladder sum in ph channel



¹Conserving, nonequilibrium $\Sigma(t, t')$, applies for ultra-short to long times

Real-Time Keldysh–Kadanoff–Baym Equations (KBE)

- Correlation functions G^{\geqslant} obey real-time KBE

$$\sum_l \left[i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \delta_{i,l} - h_{il}^{\text{eff}}(t) \right] G_{lj}^{>}(t, t') = I_{ij}^{(1),>}(t, t'),$$

$$\sum_l G_{il}^{<}(t, t') \left[-i\hbar \frac{d}{dt'} \delta_{l,j} - h_{lj}^{\text{eff}}(t') \right] = I_{ij}^{(2),<}(t, t'),$$

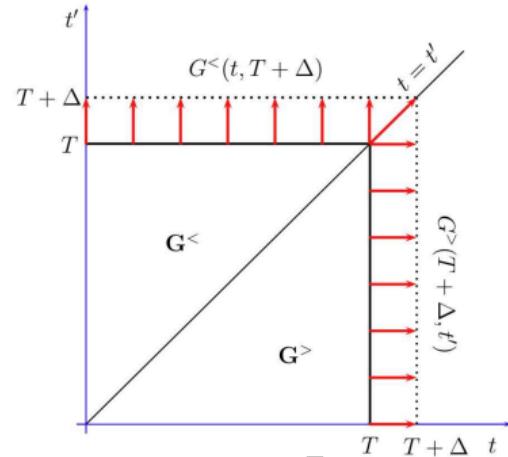
with the effective single-particle **Hartree–Fock Hamiltonian**

$$h_{ij}^{\text{eff}}(t) = h_{ij}^0 \pm i\hbar \sum_{kl} w_{ikjl}^{\pm} G_{lk}^{<}(t)$$

and the collision integrals

$$I_{ij}^{(1),>}(t, t') := \sum_l \int_{t_s}^{\infty} d\bar{t} \left\{ \Sigma_{il}^R(t, \bar{t}) G_{lj}^{>}(\bar{t}, t') + \Sigma_{il}^{>}(t, \bar{t}) G_{lj}^A(\bar{t}, t') \right\},$$

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- numerically demanding due to N_t^3 scaling (most competing methods time linear)

Generalized Kadanoff–Baym Ansatz (GKBA)

- full propagation on the time diagonal ($I := I^<$):

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} G_{ij}^<(t) = [h^{\text{HF}}, G^<]_{ij}(t) + [I + I^\dagger]_{ij}(t)$$

- reconstruct off-diagonal NEGF from time diagonal:

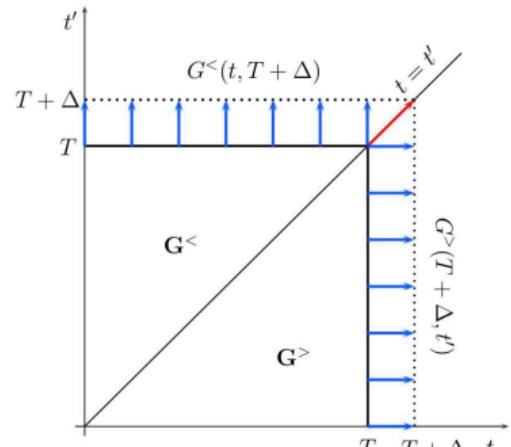
$$G_{ij}^{\gtrless}(t, t') = \pm \left[G_{ik}^{\text{R}}(t, t') \rho_{kj}^{\gtrless}(t') - \rho_{ik}^{\gtrless}(t) G_{kj}^{\text{A}}(t, t') \right]$$

with $\rho_{ij}^{\gtrless}(t) = \pm i\hbar G_{ij}^{\gtrless}(t, t)$

- HF-GKBA: use Hartree–Fock propagators for $G_{ij}^{\text{R/A}}$

$$G_{ij}^{\text{R/A}}(t, t') = \mp i\Theta_C(\pm[t - t']) \exp \left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t'}^t d\bar{t} h_{\text{HF}}(\bar{t}) \right) \Big|_{ij}$$

- conserves particle number and total energy



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$\mathcal{O}(N_t^2)$
 (for 2B)

Reformulating the GKBA

- quadratic/cubic scaling is caused by the structure of the collision integral

$$I_{ij}(t) = \sum_k \int_{t_0}^t dt \bar{t} [\Sigma_{ik}^>(t, \bar{t}) G_{kj}^<(\bar{t}, t) - \Sigma_{ik}^<(t, \bar{t}) G_{kj}^>(\bar{t}, t)]$$

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- Solution:** G1–G2 scheme:

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with $h_{ijkl}^{(2),\text{HF}}(t) := \delta_{ik} h_{jl}^{\text{HF}}(t) + \delta_{jl} h_{ik}^{\text{HF}}(t)$ and the selfenergy contributions

$$\Psi \sim w^\pm G^< G^< G^<, \quad \Lambda \sim w G^< \mathcal{G}, \quad \Pi \sim w^\pm G^< \mathcal{G}$$

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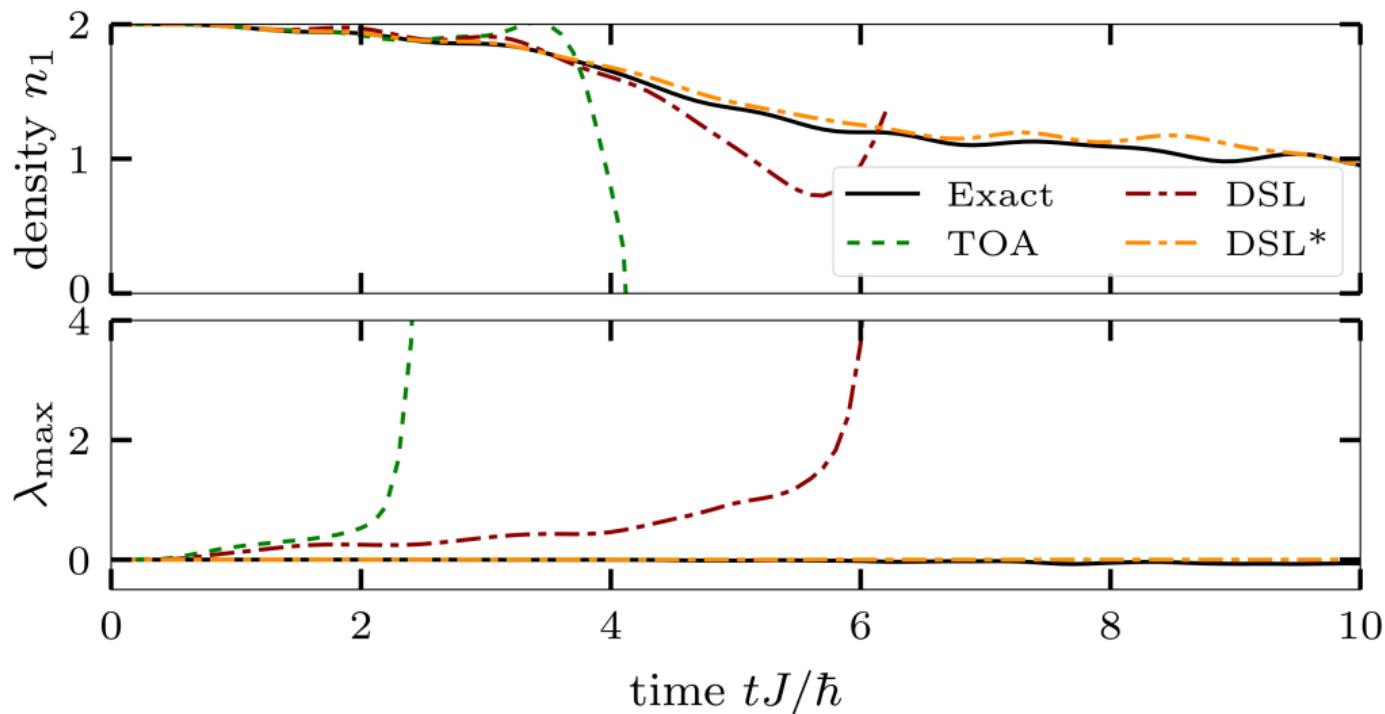
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6-Site Hubbard Chain: Sites 1–3 Full, Sites 4–6 Empty, $U/J = 4$



- λ_{\max} : largest eigenvalue of the two-particle Green function

The G1–G2 Scheme: Relations to 2RDM Theory

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- fully equivalent to the well-known **Valdemoro approximation** emerging from the BBGKY hierarchy in 2RDM theory²
 → apply knowledge from 2RDM theory to further improve G1–G2 scheme

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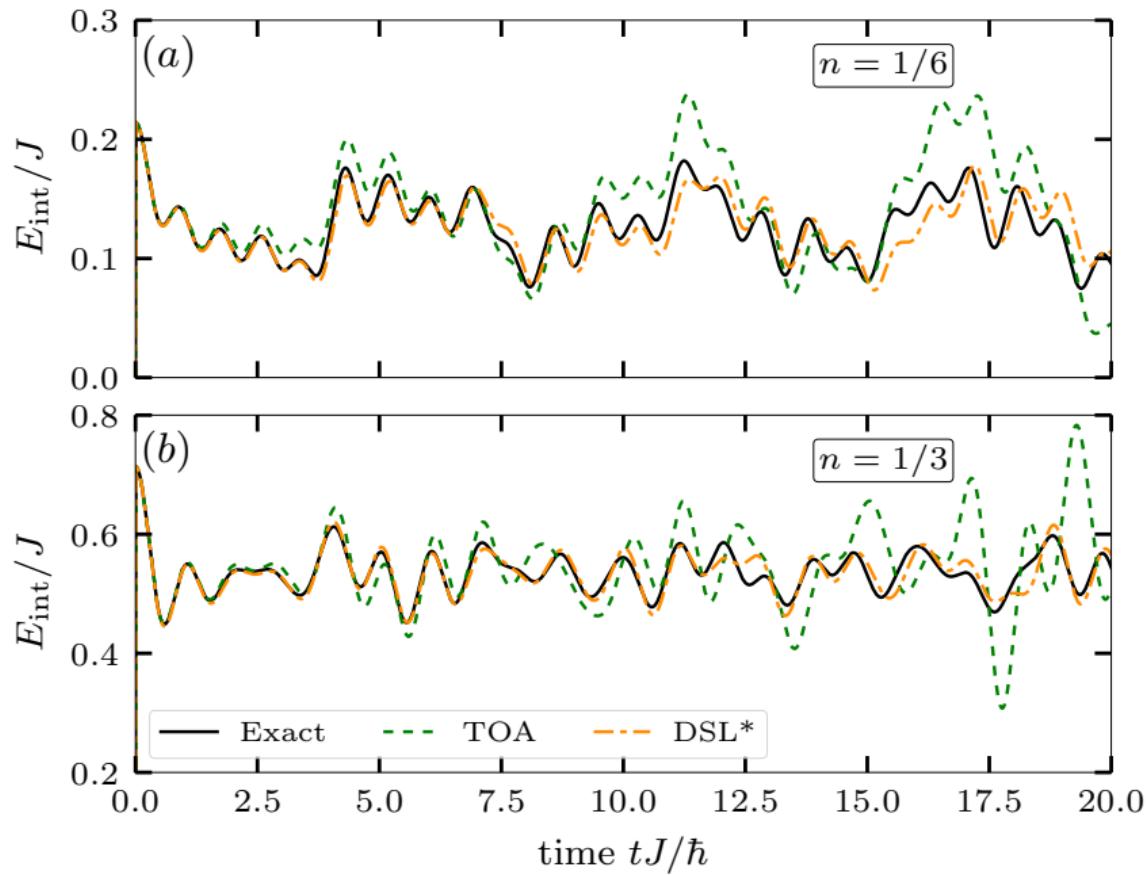
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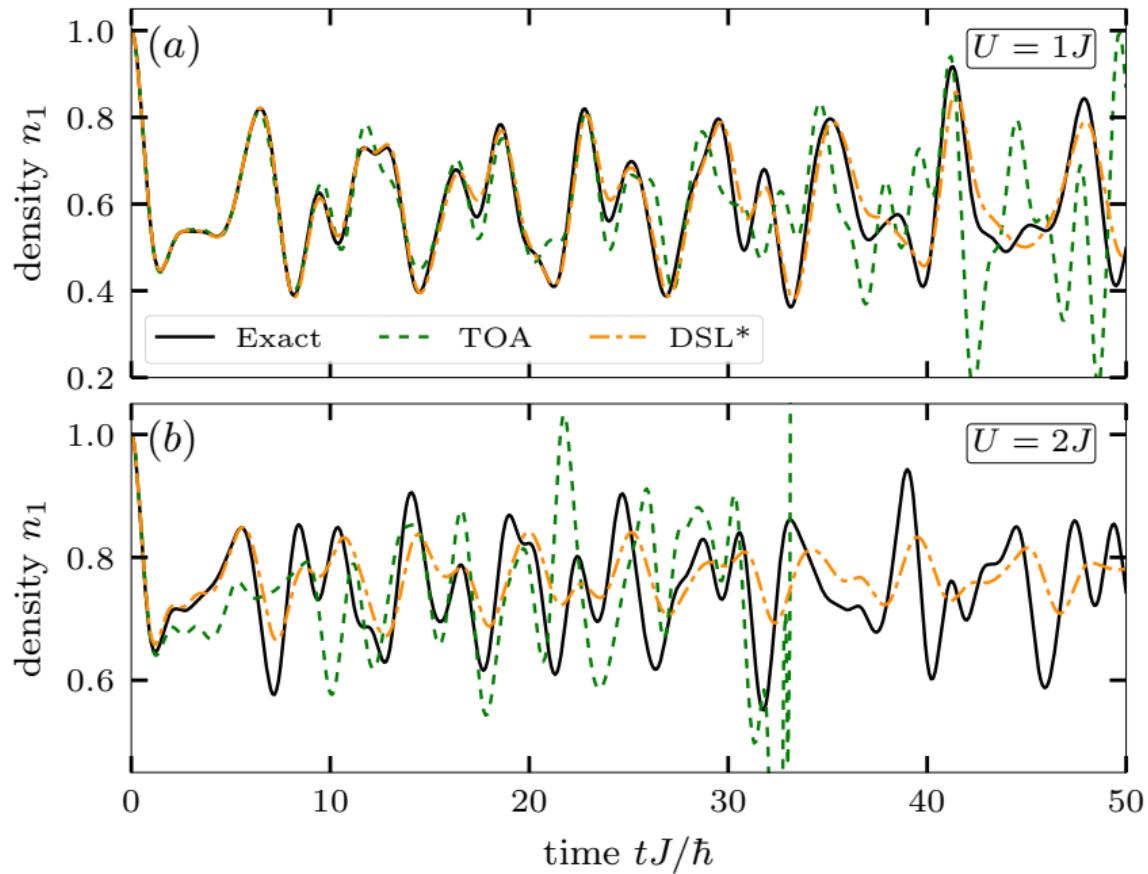
- (b)** **purification:** enforcing partial **N-representability** by keeping $(i\hbar)^2 G^{(2)}$ positive semidefinite

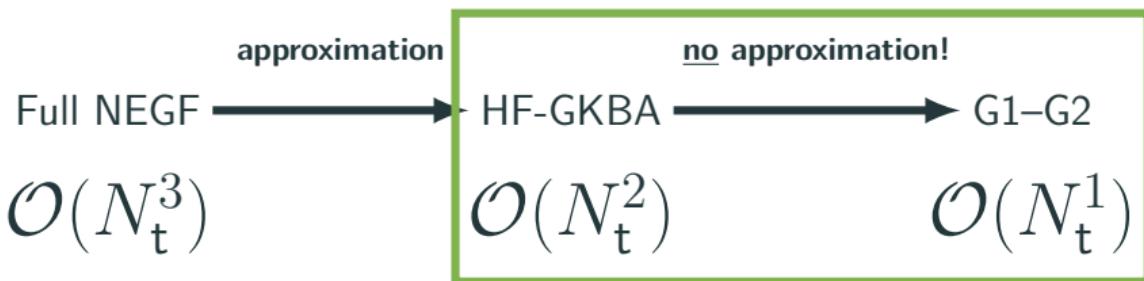
$$(i\hbar)^2 G_{ijkl}^{(2)} = \langle \Psi | \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_j^\dagger \hat{c}_l \hat{c}_k | \Psi \rangle \succeq 0$$

6-Site Hubbard Chain: Interaction Quench $U = 0 \rightarrow J$



6-Site Hubbard Chain: External Potential on First Site $w_0 = J$





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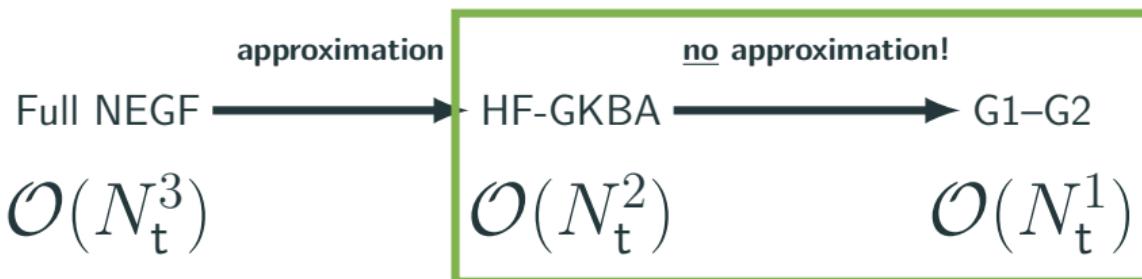
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