

# Ultrafast dynamics of quantum many-body systems including dynamical screening and strong coupling

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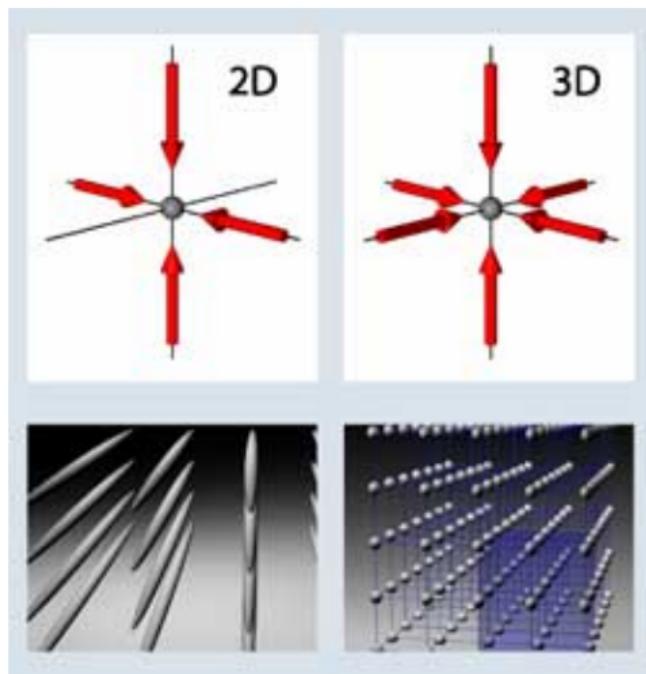


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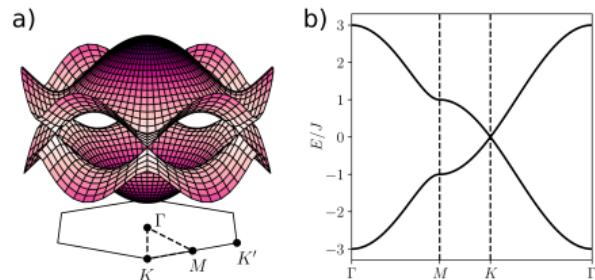
# Finite correlated quantum systems

## Fermionic atoms in optical lattices

tunable lattice depth and interaction



## Graphene: high mobility, no bandgap



## Graphene nanoribbons: finite tunable bandgap

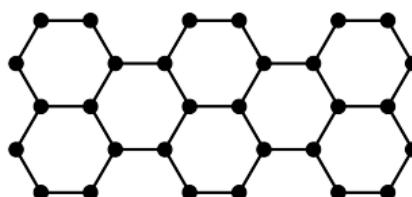
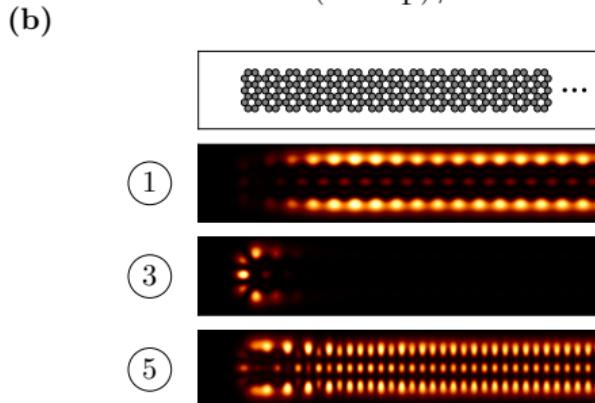
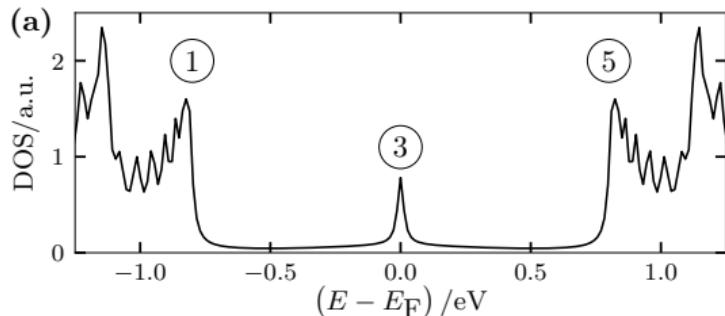


Fig.: M. Greiner (Harvard)

# GNR: spatially localized spectral contributions<sup>1</sup>



- top: total density of states (DOS)

- DOS size and shape dependent

- many degrees of freedom:  
combination of materials, multiple layers

- importance of e-e interactions

- what will happen in  
nonequilibrium, upon external  
excitation (e.g. by lasers)?

<sup>1</sup> 7 armchair GNR of 504 atoms, GW-NEGF ground state simulation,

# Time-dependent Schrödinger equation. Scaling bottleneck

- time-dependent many-electron Hamiltonian

$$H(t) = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N h(\mathbf{r}_i, t)}_{\text{one-body operators}} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\sum_{i \neq j}^N W(\mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{r}_j)}_{\text{pair-wise interactions}}$$

- time-dependent Schrödinger equation (TDSE)

$$i\partial_t \Psi(\mathbf{r}_i, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N; t) = H(t) \Psi(\mathbf{r}_i, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N; t)$$

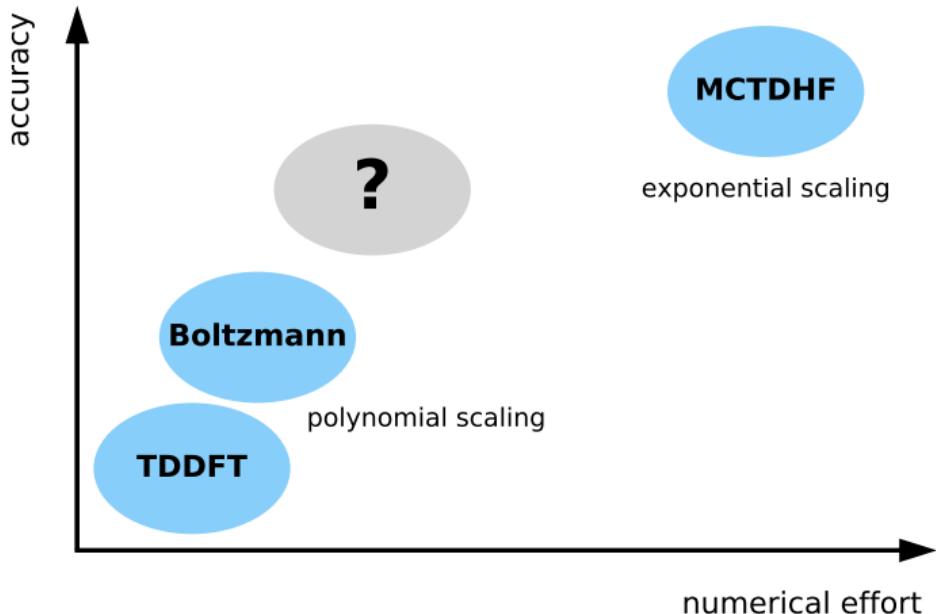
direct solution   $\Psi(\mathbf{r}_i, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N; t)$

exponential scaling of numerical effort

- solutions to overcome exponential scaling:

- approximations to TDSE: TD-RASCI, TD-CASSCF, truncated CC, TD-R-matrix etc.  
 D. Hochstuhl and M. Bonitz, PRA (2012) and EJP-ST (2014)
- propagation of simpler observables: density (TDDFT), distribution function (Kinetic theory), correlation functions etc.

# Scaling of quantum many-body methods



\*MCTDHF and other wavefunction-based methods

? Can one achieve sufficient accuracy (including e-e correlations) at non-exponential cost?

# Nonequilibrium Green Functions (NEGF)

## 2nd quantization

- Fock space  $\mathcal{F} \ni |n_1, n_2 \dots\rangle$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \bigoplus_{N_0 \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{F}^{N_0}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}^{N_0} \subset \mathcal{H}^{N_0}$
- $\hat{c}_i, \hat{c}_i^\dagger$  creates/annihilates a particle in single-particle orbital  $\phi_i$
- spin accounted for by canonical (anti-)commutator relations

$$\left[ \hat{c}_i^{(\dagger)}, \hat{c}_j^{(\dagger)} \right]_\mp = 0, \quad \left[ \hat{c}_i, \hat{c}_j^\dagger \right]_\mp = \delta_{i,j}$$

- Hamiltonian:  $\hat{H}(t) = \underbrace{\sum_{k,m} h_{km}^0 \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_m}_{\hat{H}_0} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l,m,n} w_{klmn} \hat{c}_k^\dagger \hat{c}_l^\dagger \hat{c}_n \hat{c}_m}_{\hat{W}} + \hat{F}(t)$

### Particle interaction $w_{klmn}$

- Coulomb interaction
- electronic correlations

### Time-dependent excitation $\hat{F}(t)$

- single-particle type
- em field, quench, particles

# Nonequilibrium Green Functions (NEGF)

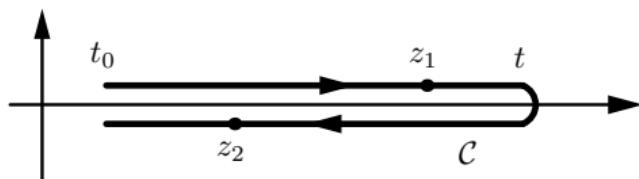
two times  $z, z' \in \mathcal{C}$  ("Keldysh contour"), arbitrary one-particle basis  $|\phi_i\rangle$

$$G_{ij}(z, z') = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \hat{T}_{\mathcal{C}} \hat{c}_i(z) \hat{c}_j^\dagger(z') \rangle$$

average with  $\hat{\rho}_N$   
pure or mixed state

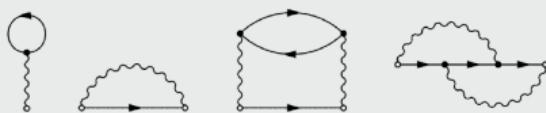
Keldysh–Kadanoff–Baym equations (KBE) on  $\mathcal{C}$  ( $2 \times 2$  matrix):

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



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 selfenergy



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

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

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

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

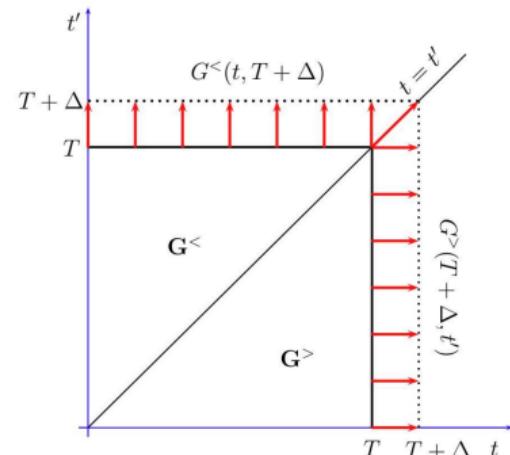
with the effective single-particle **Hartree–Fock Hamiltonian**

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

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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- two-time structure contains **spectral information**
- numerically demanding due to **cubic scaling with number of time steps  $N_t$**

# Selfenergy Approximations<sup>2</sup>

Choice depends on coupling strength, density (filling)

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

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

**GW:**  $\infty$  bubble summation,  
dynamical screening effects

**particle-particle  $T$ -matrix (TPP):**

$\infty$  ladder sum in pp channel

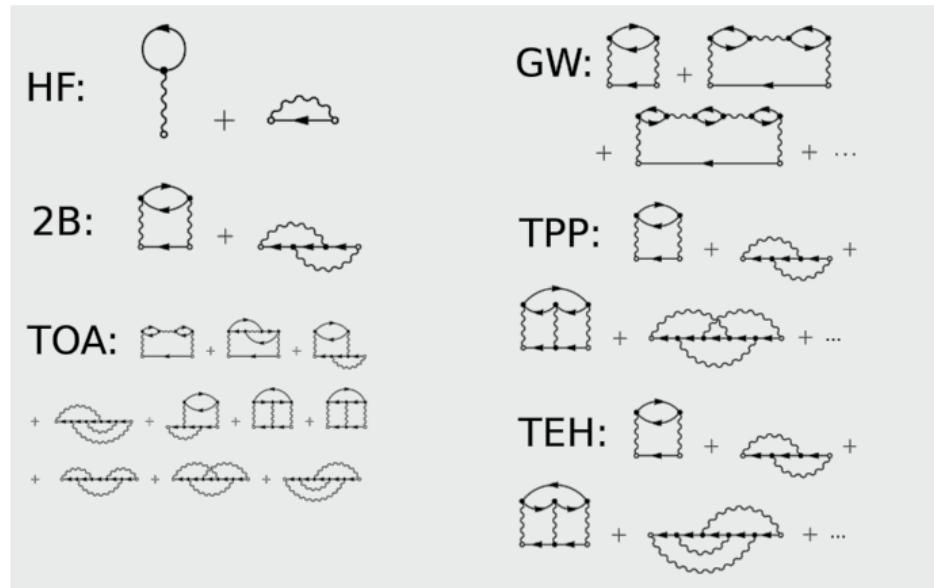
**particle-hole  $T$ -matrix (TPH/TEH):**

$\infty$  ladder sum in ph channel

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

**dynamically screened ladder (DSL)\*:**

$\sim 2B + GW + TPP + TPH$



<sup>2</sup>Conserving approximations, nonequilibrium  $\Sigma(t, t')$ , applies for ultra-short to long times

Review: Schlünzen *et al.*, J. Phys. Cond. Matt. **32**, 103001 (2020); \*Joost *et al.*, PRB (2022)

# Testing various selfenergies: the Hubbard model

- Simple, but versatile model for strongly correlated solid state systems, 2D materials
- Suitable for single band, small bandwidth; atoms in optical lattices



$$\hat{H}(t) = J \sum_{ij,\alpha} h_{ij} \hat{c}_{i\alpha}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j\alpha} + U \sum_i \hat{c}_{i\uparrow}^\dagger \hat{c}_{i\uparrow} \hat{c}_{i\downarrow}^\dagger \hat{c}_{i\downarrow} + \sum_{ij,\alpha\beta} f_{ij,\alpha\beta}(t) \hat{c}_{i\alpha}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j\beta}$$

$h_{ij} = -\delta_{\langle i,j \rangle}$  and  $\delta_{\langle i,j \rangle} = 1$ , if  $(i,j)$  is nearest neighbor,  $\delta_{\langle i,j \rangle} = 0$  otherwise

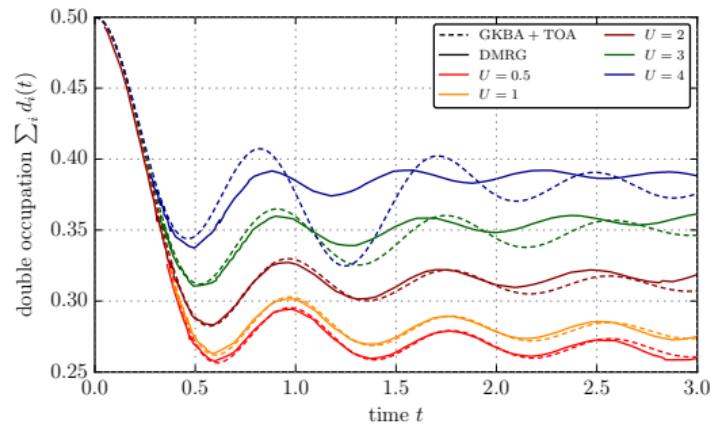
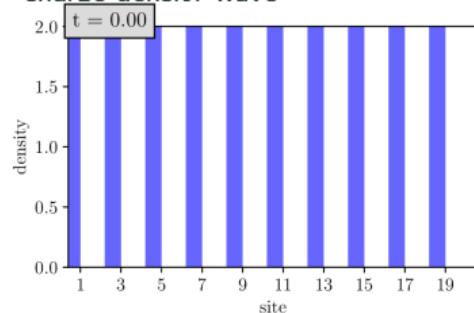
use  $J = 1$ , on-site repulsion ( $U > 0$ ) or attraction ( $U < 0$ ), tunable interaction strength

- parameters from electronic structure calculations or experiment
- systematic improvements: extended Hubbard and PPP model

# Benchmarks of NEGF against DMRG (1D)<sup>4</sup>

Initial state:

charge density wave

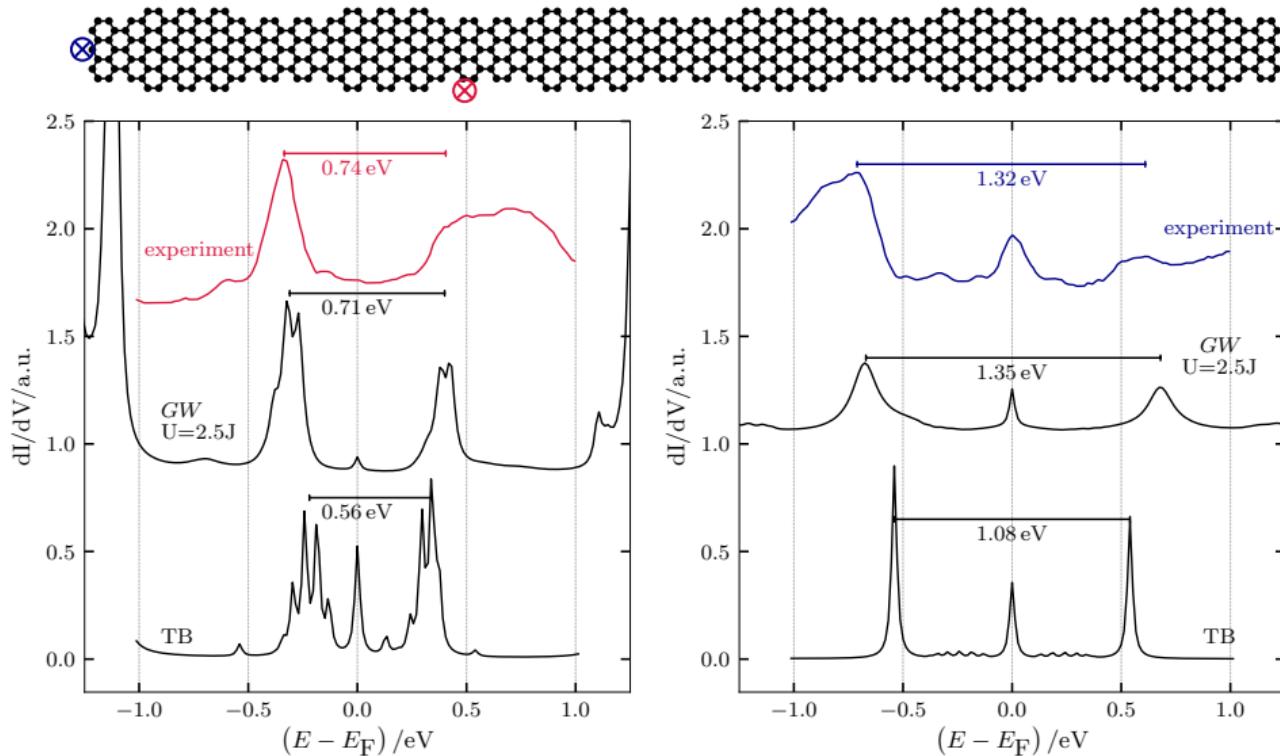


- sensitive observable: total double occupation
- good quality transients NEGF up to  $U \simeq$  bandwidth
- accurate long-time behavior of GKBA+T-matrix (not shown)
- performance of different selfenergies vs. coupling and filling<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> N. Schlünzen, S. Hermanns, M. Scharnke, and M. Bonitz, J. Phys.: Cond. Matt. 32 (10), 103001 (2020)

<sup>4</sup> N. Schlünzen, J.-P. Joost, F. Heidrich-Meisner, and M. Bonitz, Phys. Rev. B 95, 165139 (2017)

# Local density of states of graphene nanoribbons: Bulk vs. End



Failure of tight binding and Hartree-Fock results. Electronic correlations crucial

Experiments: Rizzo et al. Nature, **560**, 204 (2018), NEGF simulations: Joost et al. Nano Lett. **19**, 9045 (2019)

# Acceleration: Generalized Kadanoff–Baym Ansatz (GKBA)<sup>5</sup>

- full propagation on the time diagonal ( $I := I^{(1),<}$ ):

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

- reconstruct off-diagonal NEGF from time diagonal:

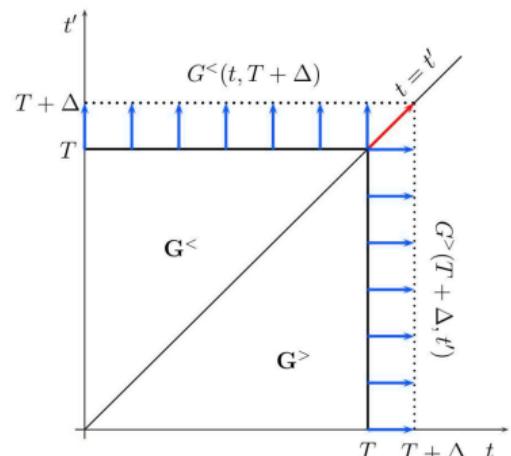
$$G_{ij}^{\gtrless}(t, t') = \pm \left[ G_{ik}^R(t, t') \rho_{kj}^{\gtrless}(t') - \rho_{ik}^{\gtrless}(t) G_{kj}^A(t, t') \right]$$

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 total energy
- Large number of applications to atoms, molecules, condensed matter systems, plasmas



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

<sup>6</sup>P. Lipavský, V. Špička, and B. Velický, Phys. Rev. B **34**, 6933 (1986);  
 K. Balzer and M. Bonitz, Lecture Notes in Physics **867** (2013)

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- example for 2B selfenergy<sup>6</sup>

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- respective  $\mathcal{G}$  can be identified as

$$\mathcal{G}_{ijkl}(t) = i\hbar \sum_{pqrs} \int_{t_0}^t d\bar{t} w_{pqrs}^\pm(\bar{t}) \left[ \mathcal{G}_{ijpq}^{H,>}(\bar{t}, t) \mathcal{G}_{rskl}^{H,<}(\bar{t}, t) - \mathcal{G}_{ijpq}^{H,<}(\bar{t}, t) \mathcal{G}_{rskl}^{H,>}(\bar{t}, t) \right]$$

with the two-particle Hartree Green function

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- two-particle  $\mathcal{G}$  in GKBA

$$\mathcal{G}_{ijkl}(t) = (\mathrm{i}\hbar)^3 \sum_{pqrs} \int_{t_0}^t d\bar{t} \mathcal{U}_{ijpq}^{(2)}(t, \bar{t}) \Psi_{pqrs}^\pm(\bar{t}) \mathcal{U}_{rskl}^{(2)}(\bar{t}, t)$$

with the single-time source term (which no longer depends on the outer time)

$$\boxed{\Psi_{ijkl}^\pm(t)} = (\mathrm{i}\hbar)^2 \sum_{pqrs} w_{pqrs}^\pm(t) \left[ \mathcal{G}_{ijpq}^{\text{H},>}(t, t) \mathcal{G}_{rskl}^{\text{H},<}(t, t) - \mathcal{G}_{ijpq}^{\text{H},<}(t, t) \mathcal{G}_{rskl}^{\text{H},>}(t, t) \right]$$

and the two-particle Hartree–Fock time-evolution operators obeying Schrödinger-type EOMs

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \mathcal{U}_{ijkl}^{(2)}(t, \bar{t}) \right] = \frac{1}{\mathrm{i}\hbar} \sum_{pq} h_{ijpq}^{(2),\text{HF}}(t) \mathcal{U}_{pqkl}^{(2)}(t, \bar{t})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \mathcal{U}_{ijkl}^{(2)}(\bar{t}, t) \right] = -\frac{1}{\mathrm{i}\hbar} \sum_{pq} \mathcal{U}_{ijpq}^{(2)}(\bar{t}, t) h_{pqkl}^{(2),\text{HF}}(t)$$

with the effective two-particle Hamiltonian

$$h_{ijkl}^{(2),\text{HF}}(t) = \delta_{jl} h_{ik}^{\text{HF}}(t) + \delta_{ik} h_{jl}^{\text{HF}}(t)$$

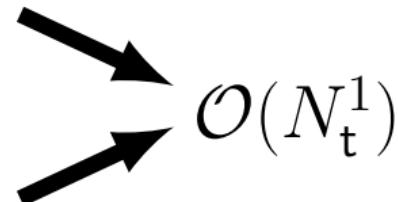
# Time-linear NEGF simulations: the G1–G2 Scheme<sup>7</sup>

- full propagation on the time diagonal as for ordinary HF-GKBA:

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

- but collision integral defined by correlated two-particle Green function

$$I_{ij}(t) = \pm i\hbar \sum_{klp} w_{iklp}(t) \mathcal{G}_{lpjk}(t)$$



$$\mathcal{O}(N_t^1)$$

- which obeys an ordinary differential equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{G}_{ijkl}(t) = [h^{(2),\text{HF}}, \mathcal{G}]_{ijkl}(t) + \Psi_{ijkl}^\pm(t)$$

- the initial values

$$G_{ij}^{0,<} = \pm \frac{1}{i\hbar} n_{ij}(t_0) =: \pm \frac{1}{i\hbar} n_{ij}^0,$$

$$\mathcal{G}_{ijkl}^0 = \frac{1}{(i\hbar)^2} \left\{ n_{ijkl}^0 - n_{ik}^0 n_{jl}^0 \mp n_{il}^0 n_{jk}^0 \right\},$$

determine the density and the pair correlations existing in the system at the initial time  $t = t_0$

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<sup>7</sup>N. Schlüzen, J.-P. Joost, and M. Bonitz, Phys. Rev. Lett. **124**, 076601 (2020)

# The G1–G2 Scheme: beyond 2nd Born selfenergy

- other selfenergy approximations can be reformulated in the G1–G2 scheme in similar fashion:<sup>8</sup>

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{G}_{ijkl}(t) = \left[ h^{(2),HF}(t), \mathcal{G}(t) \right]_{ijkl} + \Psi_{ijkl}^{\pm}(t) + \underbrace{L_{ijkl}(t)}_{\text{TPP}} + \underbrace{P_{ijkl}(t)}_{\text{GW}} \pm \underbrace{P_{jikl}(t)}_{\text{TPH}}$$

$$L_{ijkl} := \sum_{pq} \left\{ \mathfrak{h}_{ijpq}^L \mathcal{G}_{pqkl} - \mathcal{G}_{ijpq} \left[ \mathfrak{h}_{klpq}^L \right]^* \right\}, \quad \mathfrak{h}_{ijkl}^L := (i\hbar)^2 \sum_{pq} [\mathcal{G}_{ijpq}^{H,>} - \mathcal{G}_{ijpq}^{H,<}] w_{pqkl},$$

$$P_{ijkl} := \sum_{pq} \left\{ \mathfrak{h}_{qjpl}^{\Pi} \mathcal{G}_{piqk} - \mathcal{G}_{qjpl} \left[ \mathfrak{h}_{qkpi}^{\Pi} \right]^* \right\}, \quad \mathfrak{h}_{ijkl}^{\Pi} := \pm (i\hbar)^2 \sum_{pq} w_{qipk}^{\pm} [\mathcal{G}_{jplq}^{F,>} - \mathcal{G}_{jplq}^{F,<}]$$

and the Hartree/Fock (H/F) two-particle Green functions

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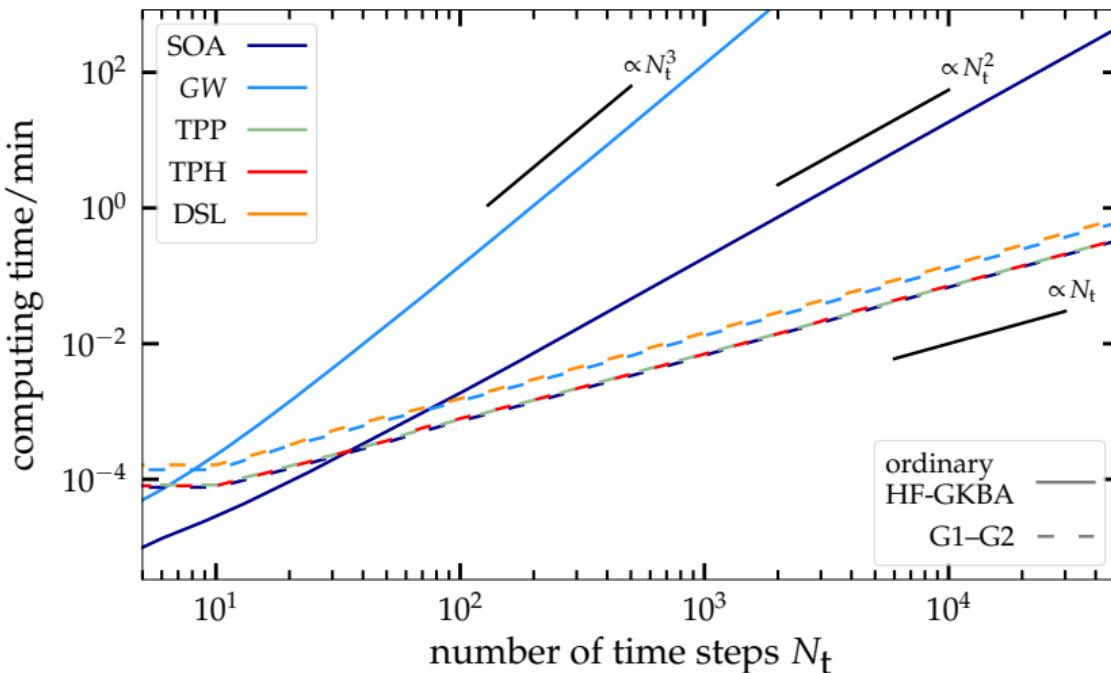
- include TPP, GW and TPH terms simultaneously: **dynamically-screened-ladder (DSL) approximation.** Conserving, applicable to short times. No explicit selfenergy known.<sup>9</sup>
- nonequilibrium generalization of ground state result (Bethe-Salpeter equation)

<sup>8</sup>J.-P. Joost, N. Schlünzen, and M. Bonitz, PRB **101**, 245101 (2020), Joost et al., PRB **105**, 165155 (2022);

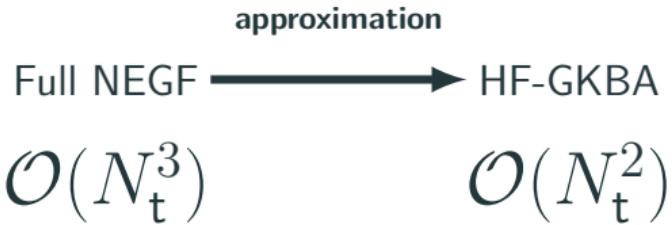
<sup>9</sup>J.-P. Joost, PhD thesis, Kiel University 2023

# Numerical Scaling of G1–G2 vs. Standard HF-GKBA

- time-linear scaling achieved quickly for all approximations. Example: 10-site Hubbard chain

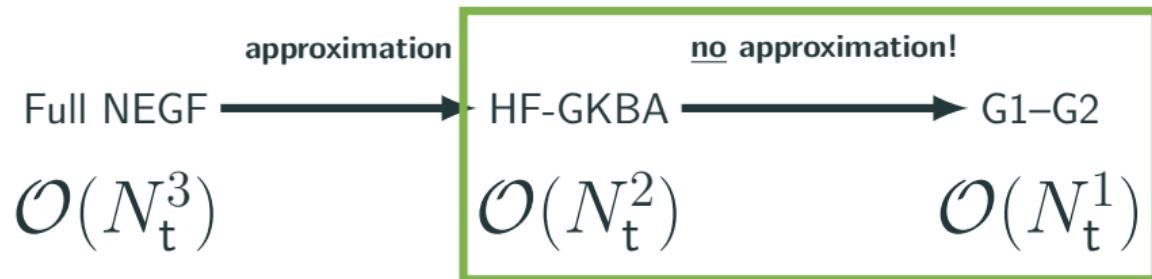


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- G1–G2 calculations can be done in linear time<sup>10</sup>, typical speed-ups:  $\times 10^3$ – $10^6$
- Full nonequilibrium DSL (combining dyn. screening and strong coupling) simulations possible
- **Price to pay:** expensive storage of  $\mathcal{G}_{ijkl}(t)$  → alternative representations of interest, e.g. quantum fluctuations approach

<sup>10</sup>N. Schlünzen, J.-P. Joost and M. Bonitz, Phys. Rev. Lett. **124**, 076601 (2020)

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# First principles approach to Quantum Fluctuations: Definitions<sup>11</sup>

- One goal: eliminate memory-costly four-point quantities ( $\mathcal{G}_2$ )
- Expectation values and fluctuations of Green functions:  $\hat{G} = G + \delta\hat{G}$

$$\begin{aligned} G_{ij}^>(t) &= \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle \hat{a}_i(t) \hat{a}_j^\dagger(t) \rangle, & \hat{G}_{ij}^>(t) &= \frac{1}{i\hbar} \hat{a}_i(t) \hat{a}_j^\dagger(t) \\ G_{ij}^<(t) &= \pm \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle \hat{a}_j^\dagger(t) \hat{a}_i(t) \rangle, & \hat{G}_{ij}^<(t) &= \pm \frac{1}{i\hbar} \hat{a}_j^\dagger(t) \hat{a}_i(t) \\ \delta\hat{G}_{ij}(t) &\coloneqq \delta\hat{G}_{ij}^<(t) = \delta\hat{G}_{ij}^>(t) \end{aligned}$$

- Extension to  $N$ -particle fluctuations:

$$\Gamma_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N; j_1 j_2 \dots j_N}^{(N)}(t) \coloneqq \langle \delta\hat{G}_{i_1 j_1}(t) \delta\hat{G}_{i_2 j_2}(t) \dots \delta\hat{G}_{i_N j_N}(t) \rangle$$

- Short notations:

$$\gamma_{ij;kl}(t) \coloneqq \Gamma_{ij;kl}^{(2)}(t), \quad \Gamma_{ijk;lmn}(t) \coloneqq \Gamma_{ijk;lmn}^{(3)}(t)$$

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<sup>11</sup>E. Schroedter, J.-P. Joost, and M. Bonitz, Cond. Matt. Phys. **25**, 23401 (2022); arXiv:2204.08250

# Quantum Fluctuations: Single-particle dynamics<sup>12</sup>

## Exact single-particle dynamics:

Collision integral in terms of fluctuations (instead of  $\mathcal{G}$ )

$$i\hbar \partial_t G_{ij}^<(t) = [h^H, G^<]_{ij}(t) + [\tilde{I} + \tilde{I}^\dagger]_{ij}(t)$$

$$h_{ij}^H(t) = h_{ij}(t) + U_{ij}^H(t); \quad U_{ij}^H(t) = \pm i\hbar \sum_{kl} w_{ikjl}(t) G_{lk}^<(t)$$

$$[\tilde{I} + \tilde{I}^\dagger]_{ij}(t) = \pm i\hbar \sum_{klp} \{ w_{iklp}(t) \gamma_{plkj}(t) - w_{kljp}(t) \gamma_{ipkl}(t) \}$$

Eliminate dynamics of  $\gamma_{ij;kl}(t) = \langle \delta\hat{G}_{ik}(t) \delta\hat{G}_{jl}(t) \rangle$  by propagating  $\delta\hat{G}(t)$ :

## Exact equation for single-particle fluctuation (two-point function)

$$i\hbar \partial_t \delta\hat{G}_{ij}(t) = [h^H, \delta\hat{G}]_{ij}(t) + [\delta\hat{U}^H, G^<]_{ij}(t) + [\delta\hat{U}^H, \delta\hat{G}]_{ij}(t) - [\tilde{I} + \tilde{I}^\dagger]_{ij}(t)$$

$$\delta\hat{U}_{ij}^H(t) = \pm i\hbar \sum_{kl} w_{ikjl}(t) \delta\hat{G}_{lk}^<(t)$$

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# Quantum Fluctuations: Semiclassical averaging

## Stochastic Mean field idea:<sup>13</sup>

- replace quantum-mechanical expectation value by semiclassical mean over realizations  $A^\lambda$ ,

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle \longrightarrow \overline{A^\lambda}$$

- Random sampling of initial conditions of non-interacting system:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\Delta G_{ij}^\lambda(t_0)} &= 0, \\ \overline{\Delta G_{ik}^\lambda(t_0)\Delta G_{jl}^\lambda(t_0)} &= -\frac{1}{2\hbar^2}\delta_{il}\delta_{jk}\{n_i(1\pm n_j) + n_j(1\pm n_i)\}.\end{aligned}$$

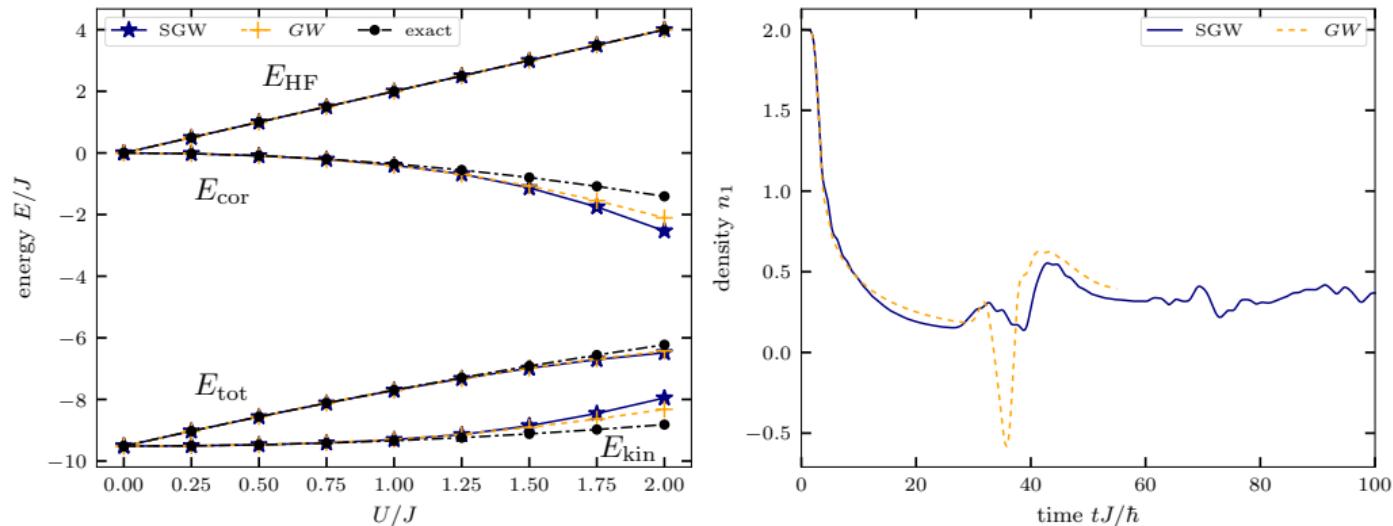
- Careful test of probability distribution and sampling methods<sup>14</sup>
- interactions turned on via adiabatic switching
- Stochastic polarization approximation reproduces time-dependent GW–G1–G2 results<sup>22</sup>

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<sup>13</sup>S. Ayik, Phys. Lett. B **658**, 174 (2008), D. Lacroix, S. Hermanns, C. M. Hinz, and M. Bonitz, PRB **90**, 125112 (2014)

<sup>14</sup>E. Schroedter, J.-P. Joost, and M. Bonitz, Cond. Matt. Phys. **25**, 23401 (2022); arXiv:2204.08250

# Quantum Fluctuations: Testing the stochastic GW-approximation<sup>15</sup>

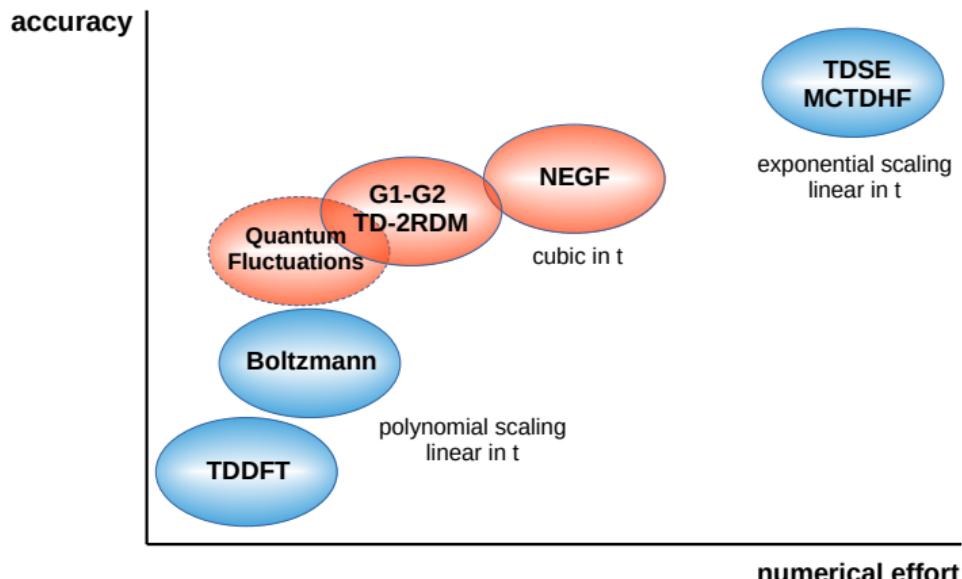


**Left:** Ground state for  $N_s = N = 8$ . **Right:** Density dynamics following confinement quench for  $N_s = 30$ ,  $N = 10$ ,  $\nu = 1/6$ ,  $U = 1$ . Initially leftmost 5 sites doubly occupied, rest empty.

<sup>15</sup>E. Schroedter, J.-P. Joost, and M. Bonitz, Cond. Matt. Phys. **25**, 23401 (2022); arXiv:2204.08250

# Scaling of selected quantum many-body methods revisited

**G1–G2 scheme:** highly efficient accurate, long and stable correlated quantum dynamics, for systems of any geometry and time scale



**External input:** parameters of lattice models, efficient atomic basis sets

## Other results. Outlook<sup>18</sup>

- highly charged ion impact on 2D quantum materials, fs-neutralization dynamics<sup>16</sup>
- improved selfenergies (3-particle correlations), G1–G2 scheme beyond HF-GKBA
- extension to open systems via embedding selfenergies<sup>17</sup>
- More quantum many-body physics: Conference *Progress in Nonequilibrium Green Functions 8*



<sup>16</sup> Niggas et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **129**, 086802 (2022)

<sup>17</sup> Schlünzen et al., submitted to PRB, arXiv: 2211.09615

<sup>18</sup> pdf file of talk at <http://www.theo-physik.uni-kiel.de/bonitz/talks.html>