

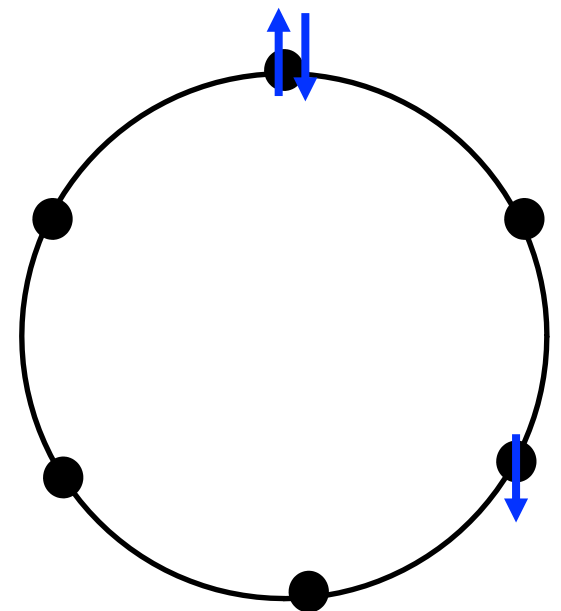
6-site Hubbard model

$$H = t \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \sigma} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

Large Fock space: $\dim 2^{12}$

Use conservation of S_z : (s_1, s_2) sectors of $\dim \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ s_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ s_2 \end{pmatrix}$

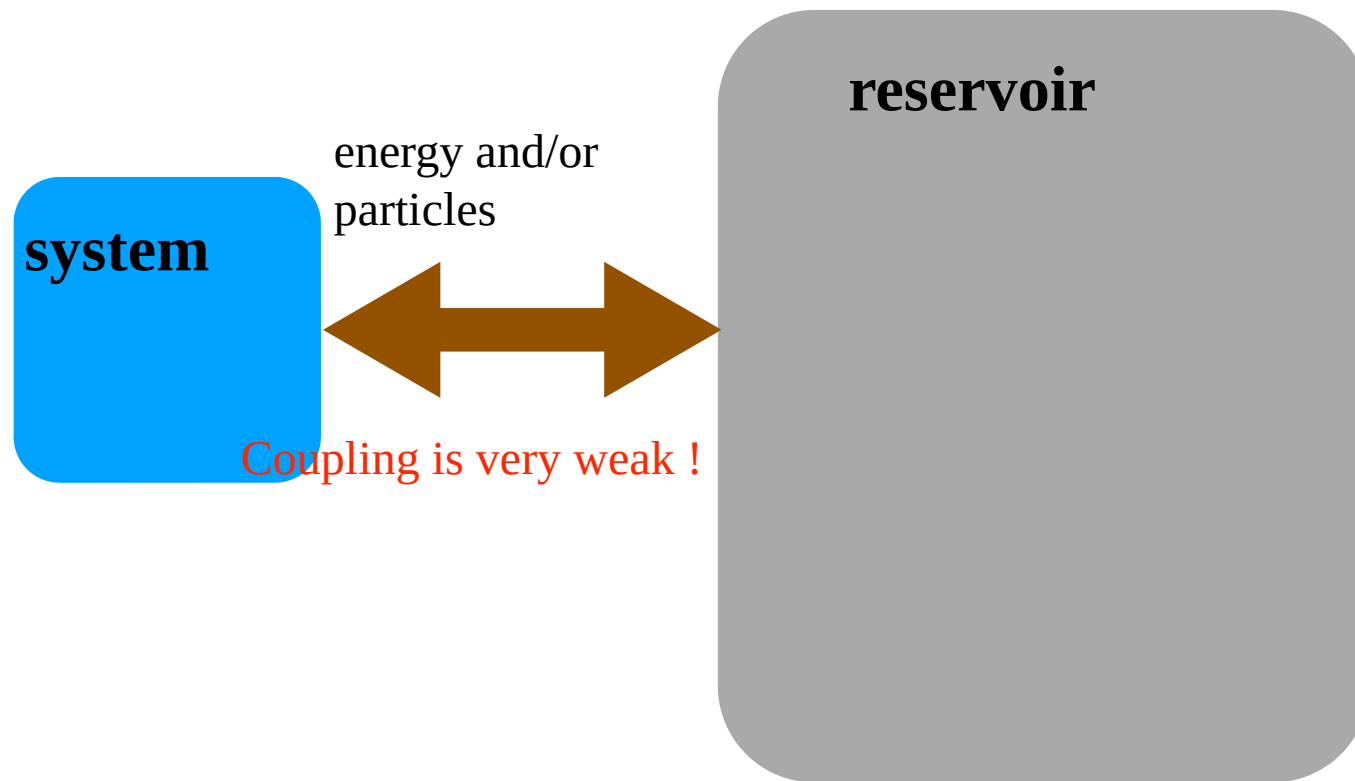
We study all sectors with $N=6$ simultaneously $(6,0), (5,1), (4,2), (3,3), (2,4), (1,5), (0,6)$



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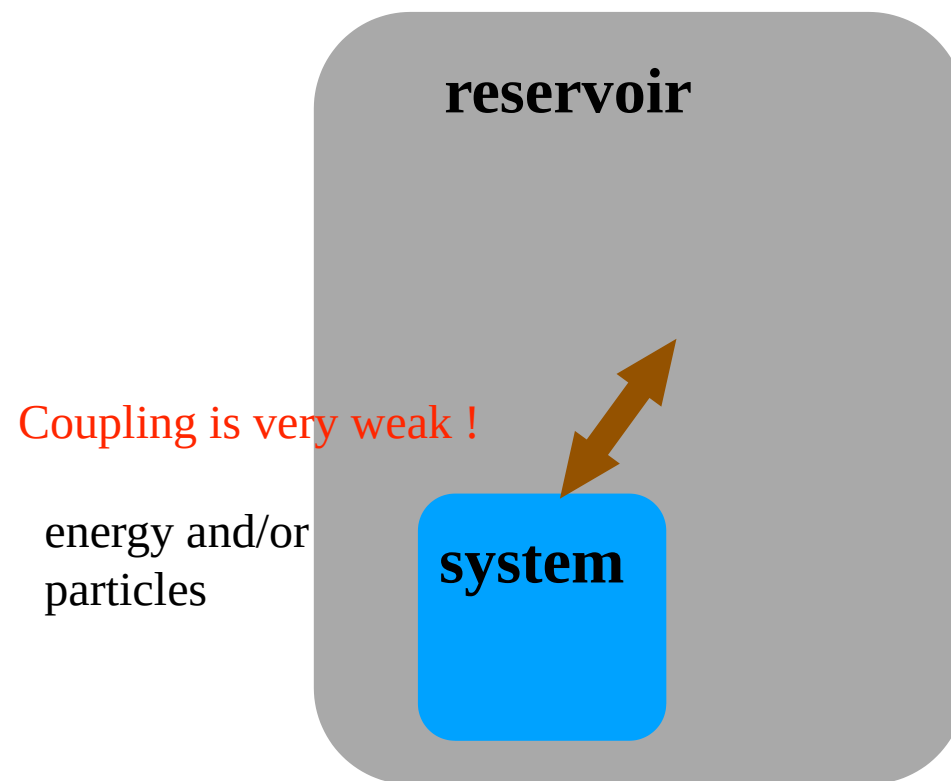
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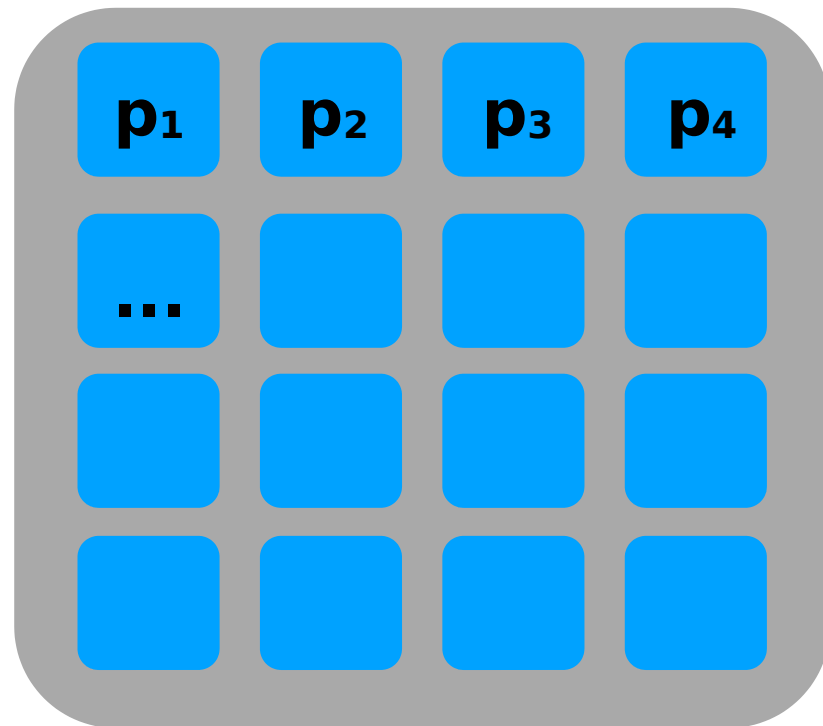


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ensemble averaging:

*Measurement involves different (weakly coupled) parts of the system,
e.g., total moment is a sum of local moments*



Measurement involves averaging over (long) time (=duration of measurement)

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$$= \text{Ergodic hypothesis}$$

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Averaging over various realizations of the system

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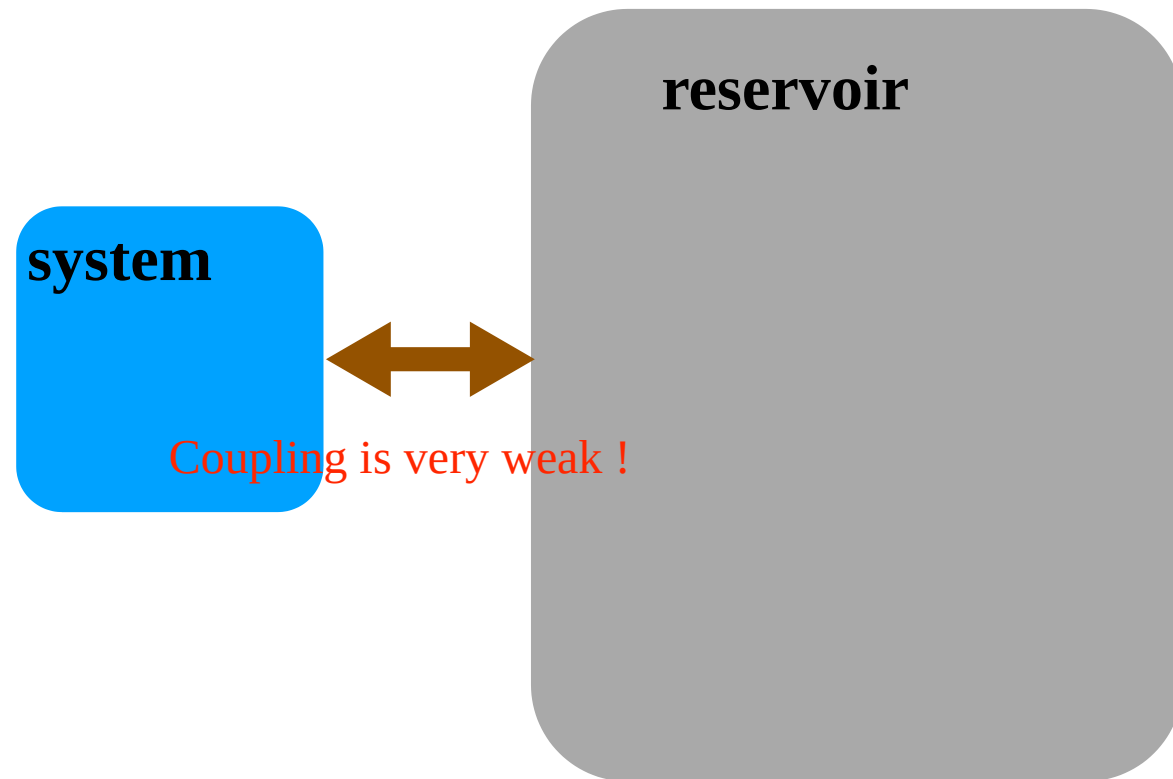
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The slow dynamics due to system-reservoir interaction is replaced by ensemble averaging (the fast dynamics of the system itself is retained)

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How do we get the probabilities?

Statistical considerations => in thermal equilibrium:

$$\langle \langle O \rangle \rangle_T = \frac{1}{Z(T)} \sum_l \langle l | O | l \rangle \exp\left(-\frac{E_l}{k_B T}\right)$$

avg. at temperature T

sum over eigenstates l

Boltzmann weight/factor

$$Z(T) = \sum_l \exp\left(-\frac{E_l}{k_B T}\right)$$

Partition function

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$$\rho = \frac{1}{Z} \exp(-\beta H)$$

density matrix
(statistical operator)

Hamiltonian (operator)

$$Z = \text{Tr} \exp(-\beta H)$$

(number)

$$\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$$

inverse temperature

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$$\left\langle \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \mathbf{p}_1 & \mathbf{p}_2 & \mathbf{p}_3 & \mathbf{p}_4 \\ \hline \end{array} \right\rangle$$

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Ground state:

$$G_{AB}(t) = \langle \psi_g | e^{itH} A e^{-itH} B | \psi_g \rangle$$

Finite temperature:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{Z} \text{Tr}(e^{-\beta H} e^{itH} A e^{-itH} B) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n,m} \langle m | e^{-\beta H} e^{itH} A | n \rangle \langle n | e^{-itH} B | m \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n,m} e^{-\beta E_m} e^{-it(E_n - E_m)} \langle m | A | n \rangle \langle n | B | m \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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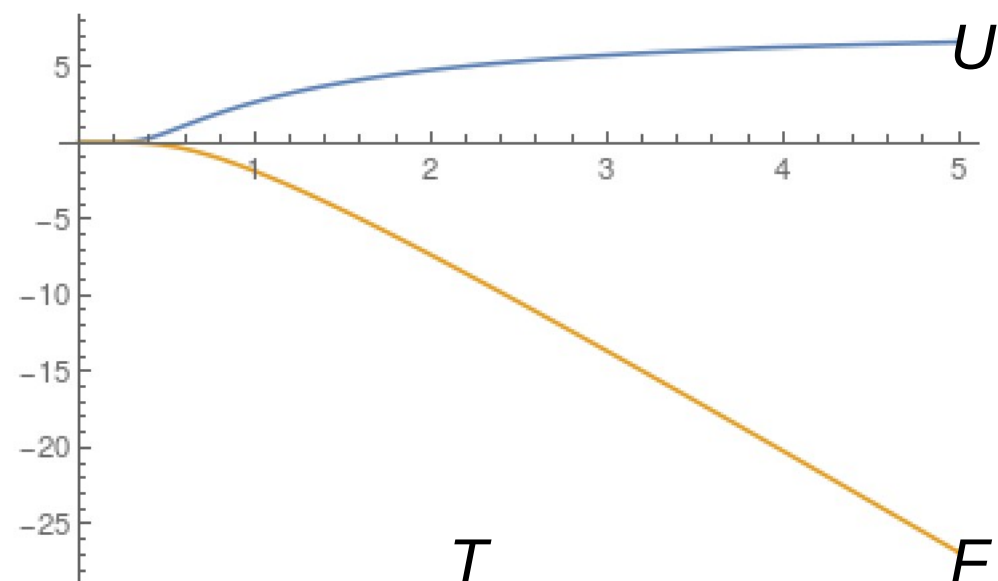
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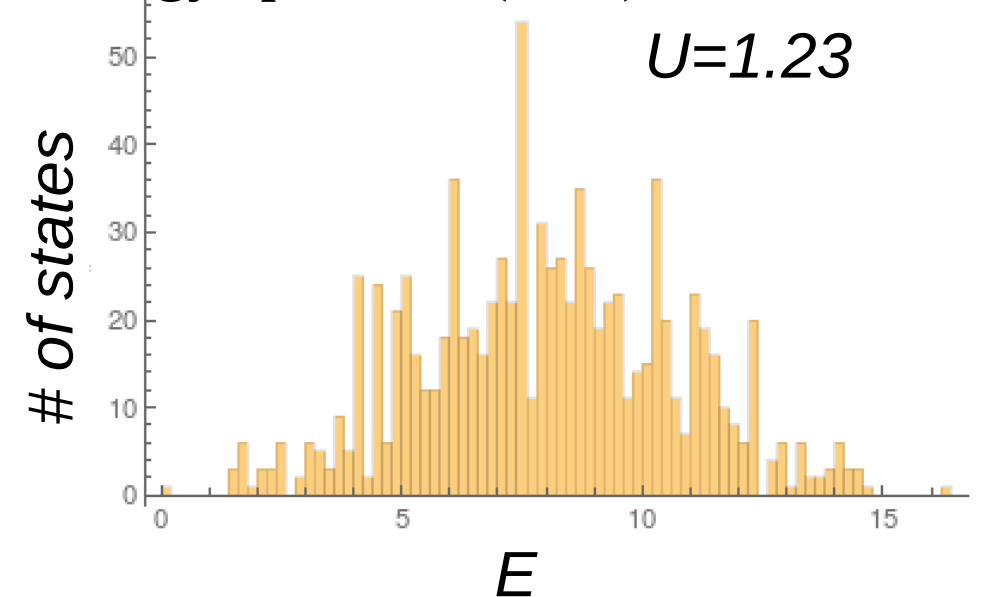
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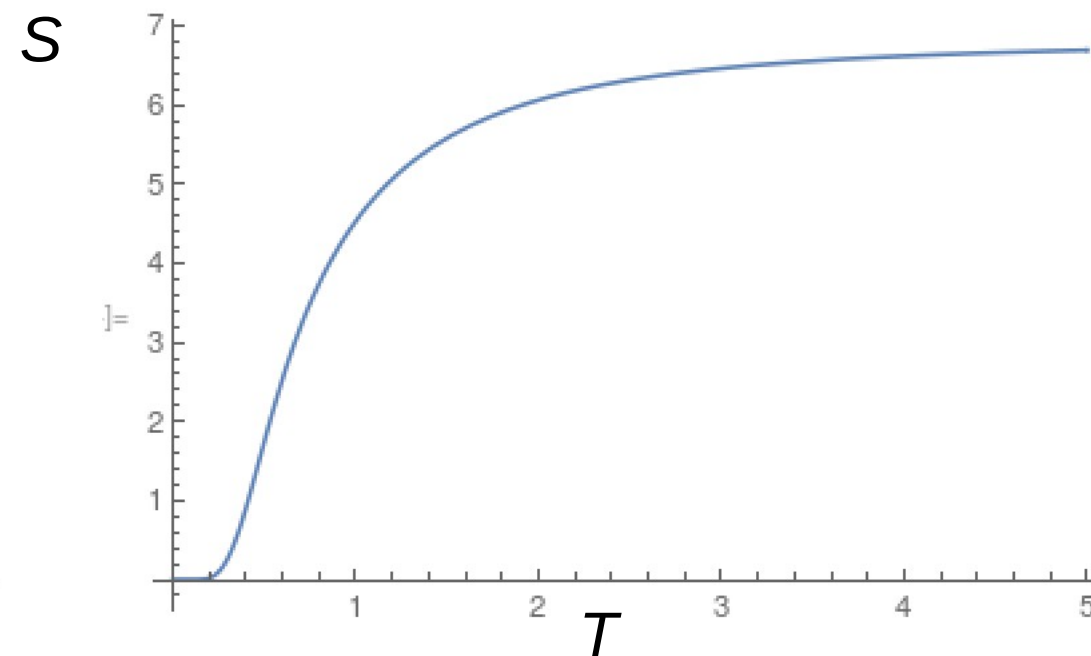
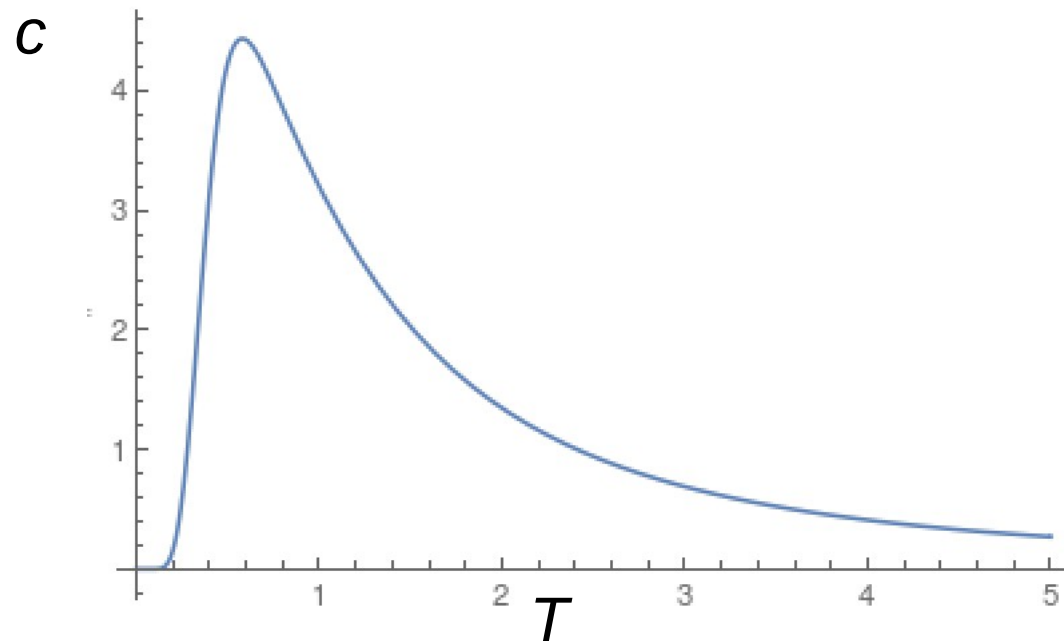
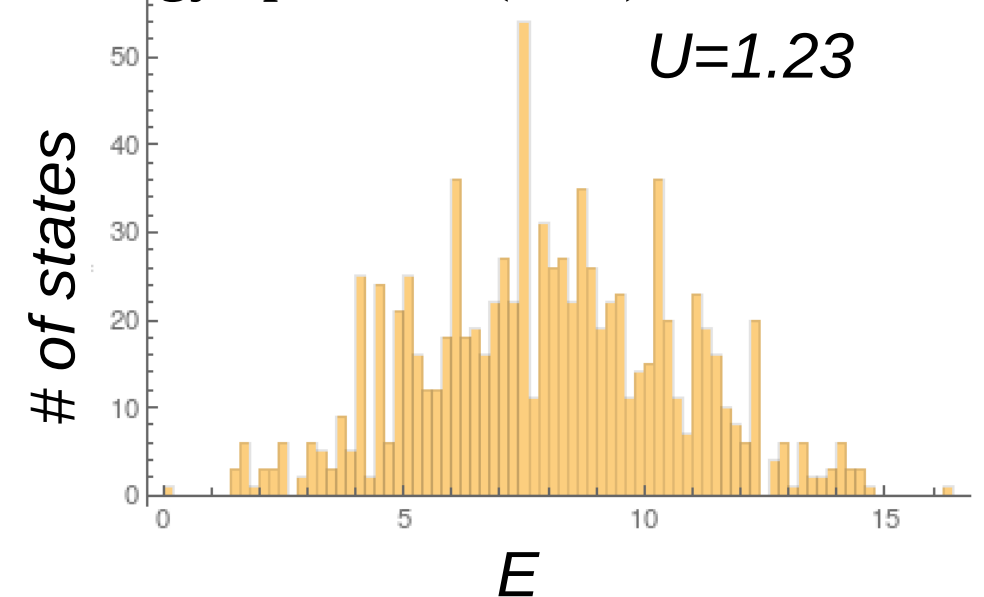
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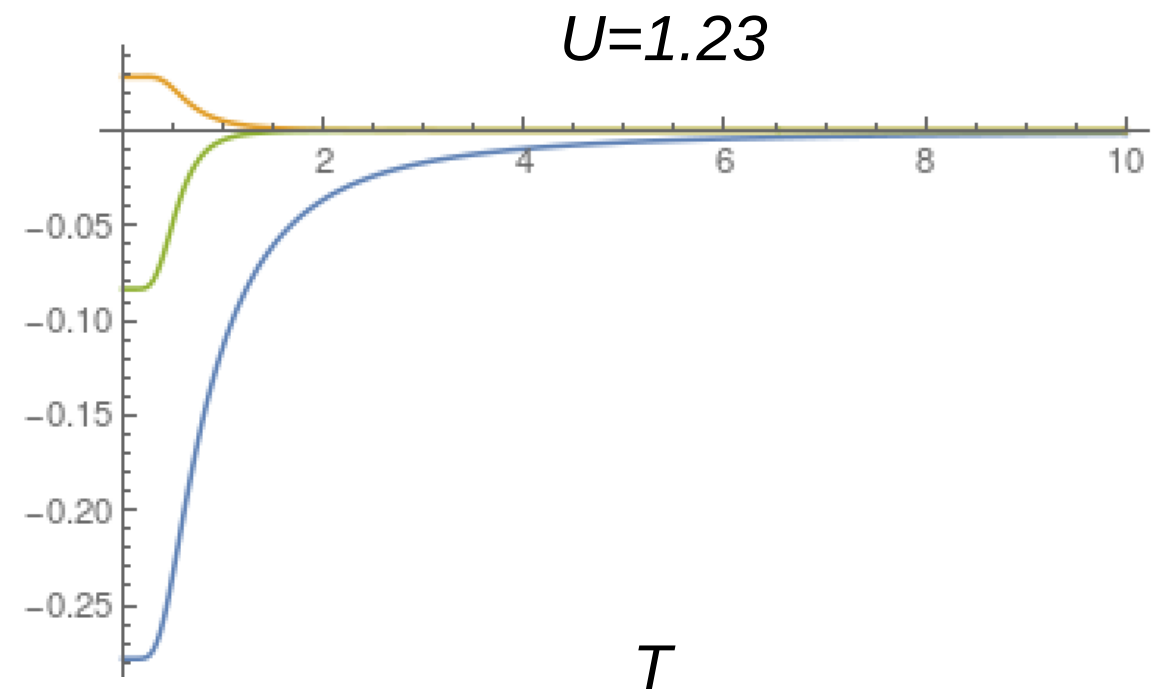
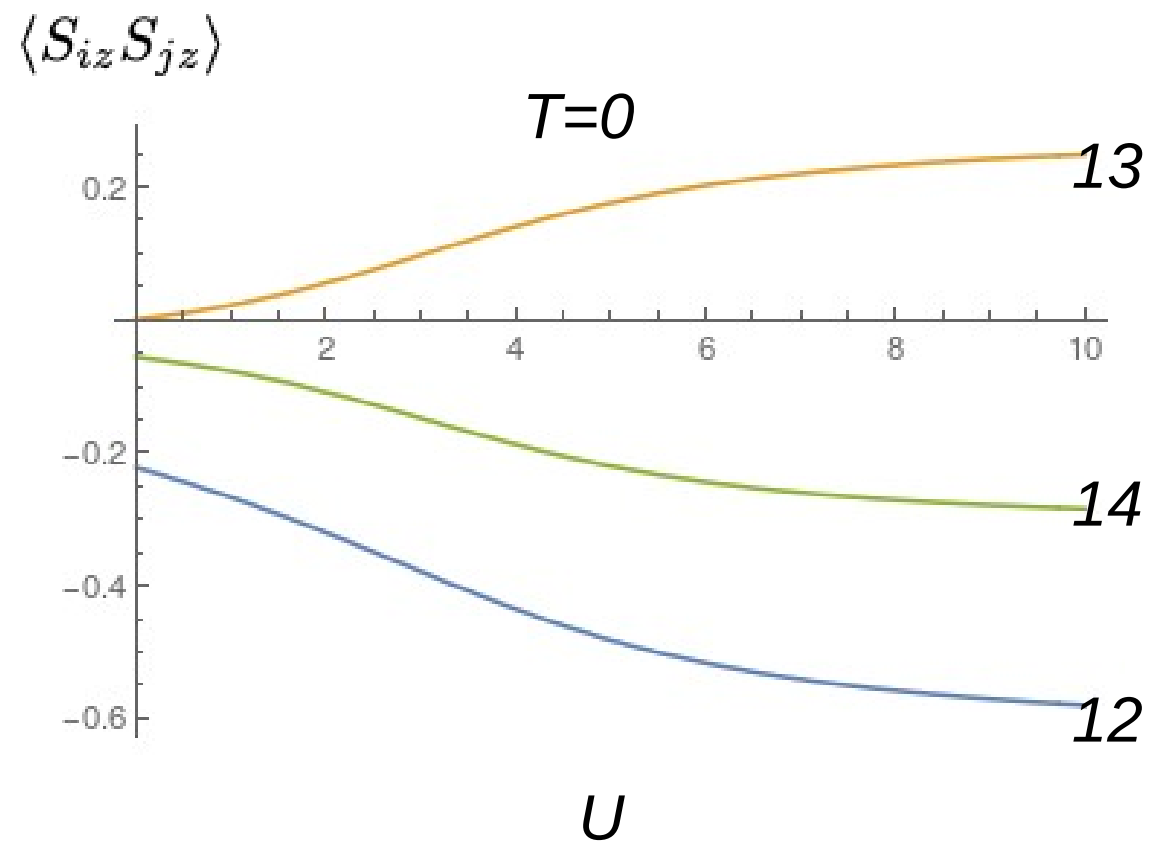
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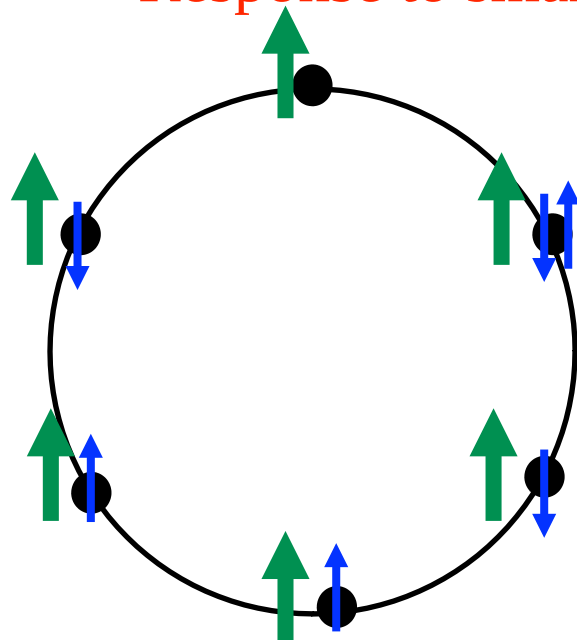


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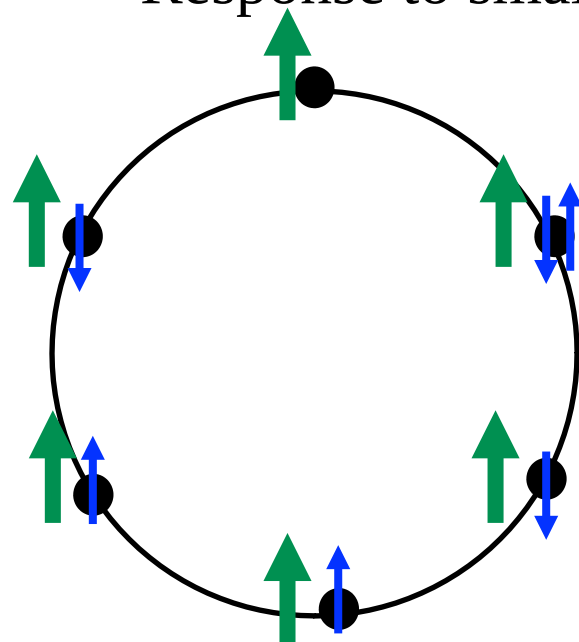
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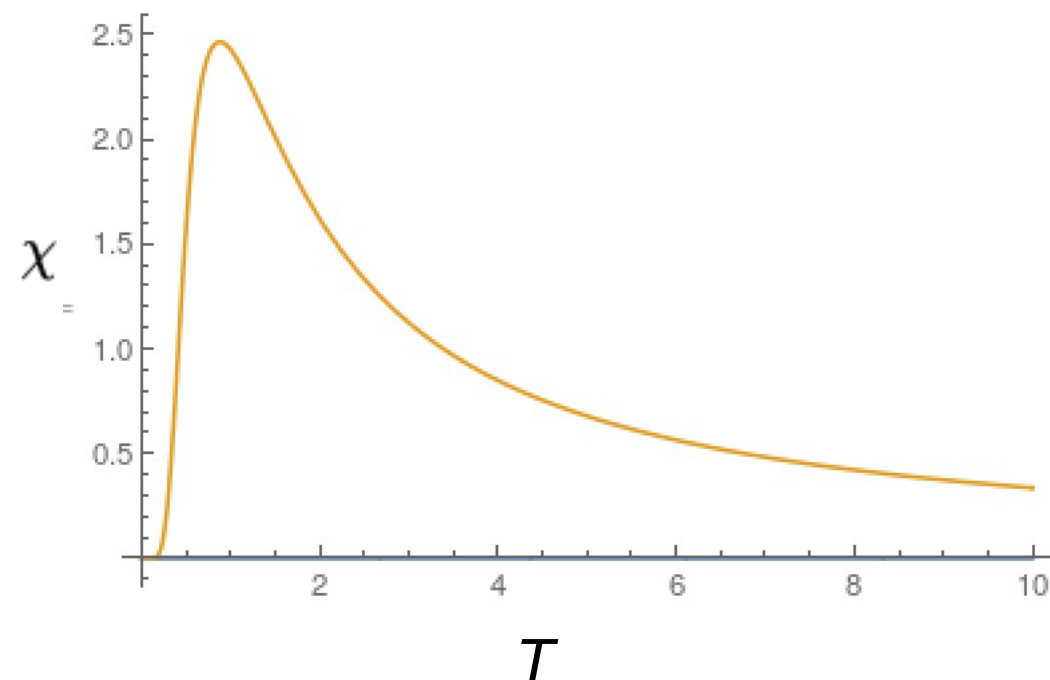
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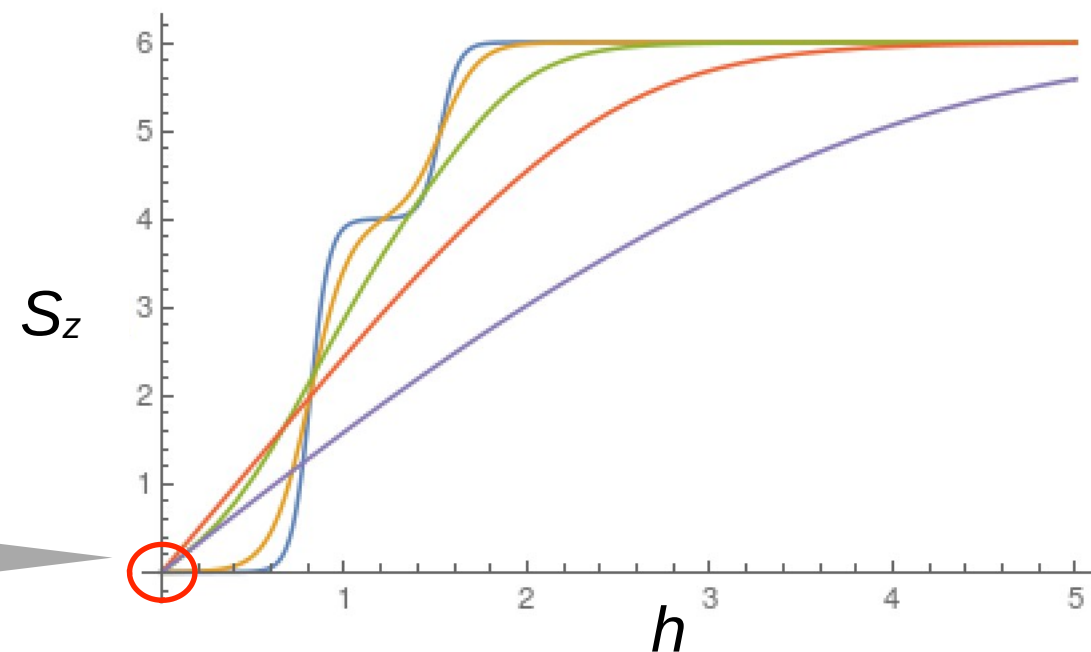
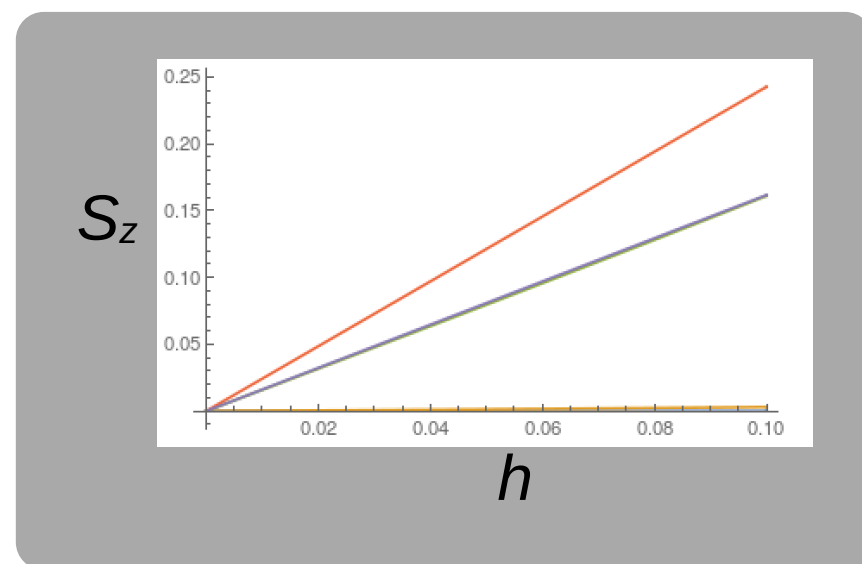
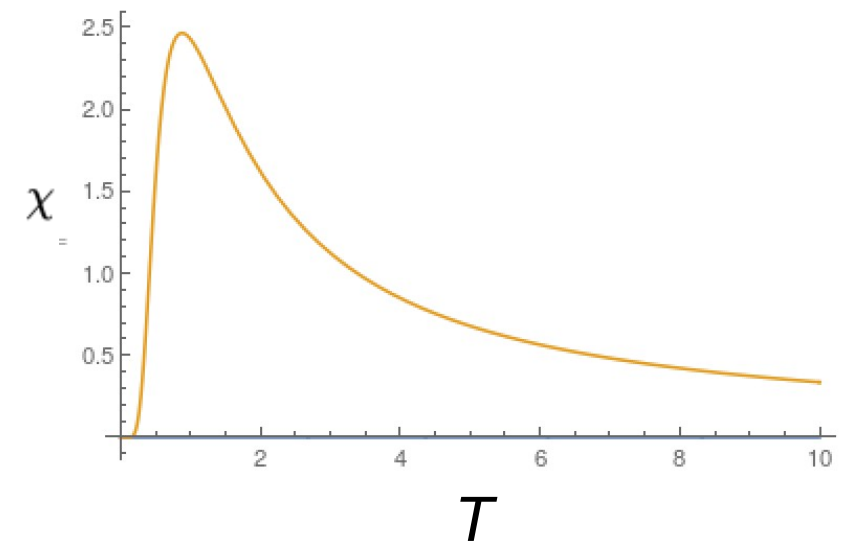
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Does it work?

Let's calculate a response to finite h .

$$\delta \langle \langle S_z \rangle \rangle = \chi \cdot \delta h$$

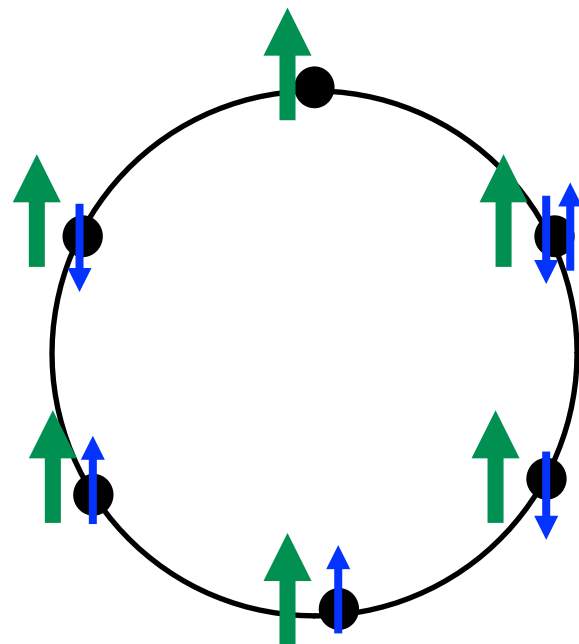


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Uniform susceptibility is a special case because

$$[S_z, H] = 0$$

General case (e.g. local susceptibility):

$$\chi_{\text{loc}}(\omega) = -\langle [S_{iz}(t), S_{iz}(0)] \rangle_\omega = \langle S_{iz} S_{iz} \rangle_{-\omega} - \langle S_{iz} S_{iz} \rangle_\omega$$

Linear response (perturbative) regime

Kubo formula

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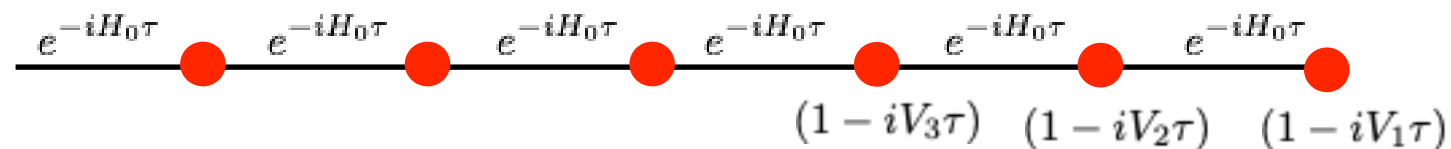
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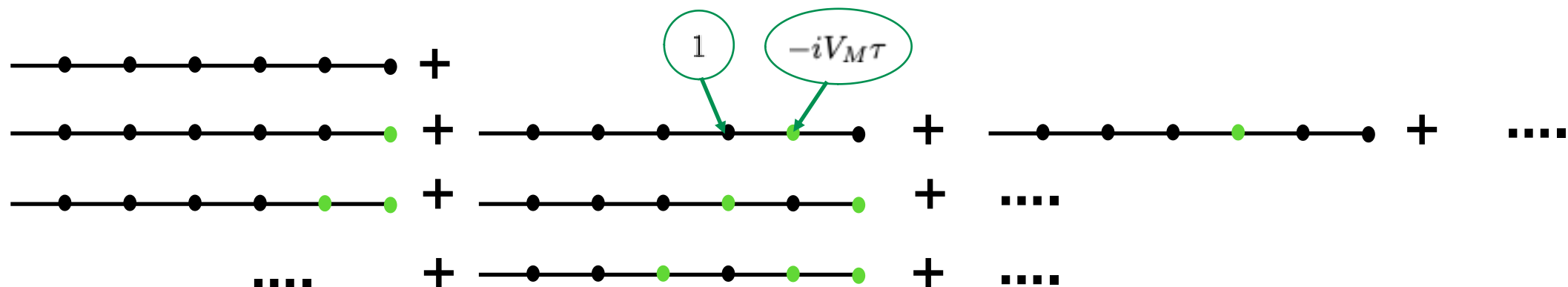
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Now we arrange the terms in powers of V :



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$$U(t) = e^{-iH_0N\tau}$$

$$-i(e^{-iH_0\tau} V_N \tau e^{-iH_0(N-1)\tau} + e^{-iH_02\tau} V_{N-1} \tau e^{-iH_0(N-2)\tau} \dots e^{-iH_0(N-1)\tau} V_2 \tau e^{-iH_0\tau} + e^{-iH_0N\tau} V_1 \tau + \dots)$$

$$= e^{-iH_0t} (1 - i \int_0^t dt' \tilde{V}(t') + (-i)^2 \int_0^t dt' \int_0^{t'} dt'' \tilde{V}(t') \tilde{V}(t'') + \dots)$$

$$\equiv e^{-iH_0t} T \exp \left(-i \int_0^t \tilde{V}(t) \right)$$

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T is so called time ordering symbol (sometimes called an time-ordering operator). Note that it is not an operator! The meaning of **T** is the expansion on the line above.

You cannot interpret this expression as “evaluate the integral in the bracket -> exponentiate the result -> apply **T** on the result”!

Standard trick

i.e., we can split

$$U(t) = e^{-i(H_0+V)t}$$

Next we expand

$$U(t) = e^{-iH_0t} (1 - iV_N t + \frac{1}{2}(-iV_N t)^2 + \dots) e^{-iH_0t} (1 - iV_{N-1} t + \frac{1}{2}(-iV_{N-1} t)^2 + \dots) e^{-iH_0t} (1 - iV_{N-2} t + \frac{1}{2}(-iV_{N-2} t)^2 + \dots) \dots e^{-iH_0t} (1 - iV_2 t + \frac{1}{2}(-iV_2 t)^2 + \dots) e^{-iH_0t} (1 - iV_1 t + \frac{1}{2}(-iV_1 t)^2 + \dots)$$

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Evolution

H_0 and V are time-independent
even if V is a perturbation

Standard time-ordering

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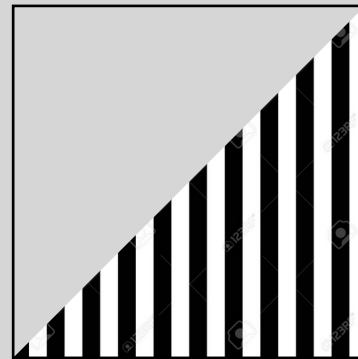
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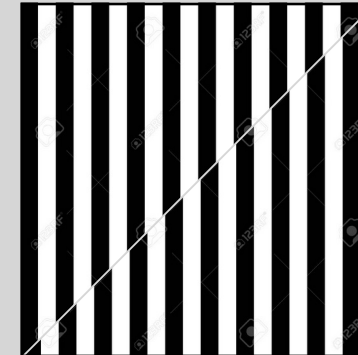
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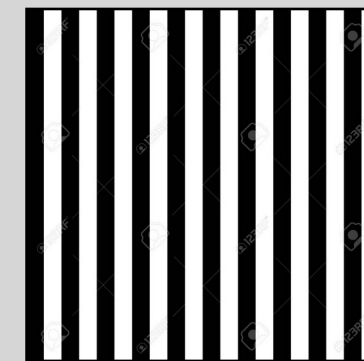
$$\int dt' dt''$$



$$= \frac{1}{2} \int dt' dt''$$



$$\neq \frac{1}{2} \int dt' dt''$$



Linear response (perturbative) regime

Kubo formula

Now we can evaluate the expectation value of operator A in the system evolving with time

$$\langle n(t)|A|n(t)\rangle = \langle n|e^{iHt}Ae^{-iHt}|n\rangle$$

$$\approx \langle n|(1 + i \int_0^t dt' \tilde{V}(t'))e^{iH_0t}Ae^{-iH_0t}(1 - i \int_0^t dt' \tilde{V}(t'))|n\rangle$$

$$= \langle n|\tilde{A}(t)|n\rangle + i \int_0^t dt' \langle n|[\tilde{V}(t'), \tilde{A}(t)]|n\rangle$$

We keep only terms **linear** in V.

$$\langle A(t)\rangle \approx \langle A\rangle_0 + i \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \langle [\tilde{V}(t'), \tilde{A}(t)]\rangle_0$$

In compact form. Note that operators are in so called interaction representation with respect to H_0 (This is indicated by $\langle \rangle_0$)

We have shifted origin of time integral to infinity, assuming that the perturbation is adiabatically (slowly) turned on (this excludes the transient states that takes place after sudden turning of finite external field)

The formula can be used in thermal equilibrium, in which case $\langle \rangle_0$ refers to thermal average - trace with $e^{(-H_0/kT)}$.

Linear response (perturbative) regime

Kubo formula

$$\langle A(t) \rangle \approx \langle A \rangle_0 + i \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \langle [\tilde{V}(t'), \tilde{A}(t)] \rangle_0$$

A typical external field has the form of a (classical) function (electric field, Zeeman field, vector

potential, ...) coupled to a typically (semilocal) operator (charge-, spin-, current-density):

$$V(t) = B\phi(t)$$

In the linear response regime the amplitude of the response is linearly proportional to the amplitude of the external field. We want to investigate the trivial temporal (or frequency) relationship.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A(t) \rangle_\phi - \langle A \rangle_0 &= i \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \langle [\tilde{B}(t'), \tilde{A}(t)] \rangle_0 \phi(t') = i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' \Theta(t - t') \langle [\tilde{B}(t'), \tilde{A}(t)] \rangle_0 \phi(t') \\ &\equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' \chi_{AB}(t - t') \phi(t') \end{aligned}$$

Note, that the expectation value of the commutator depends only on the difference $t - t'$,

because H_0 does not depend on time.