



VIBRONIC SPECTROSCOPY WITH CLASSICAL TRAJECTORIES

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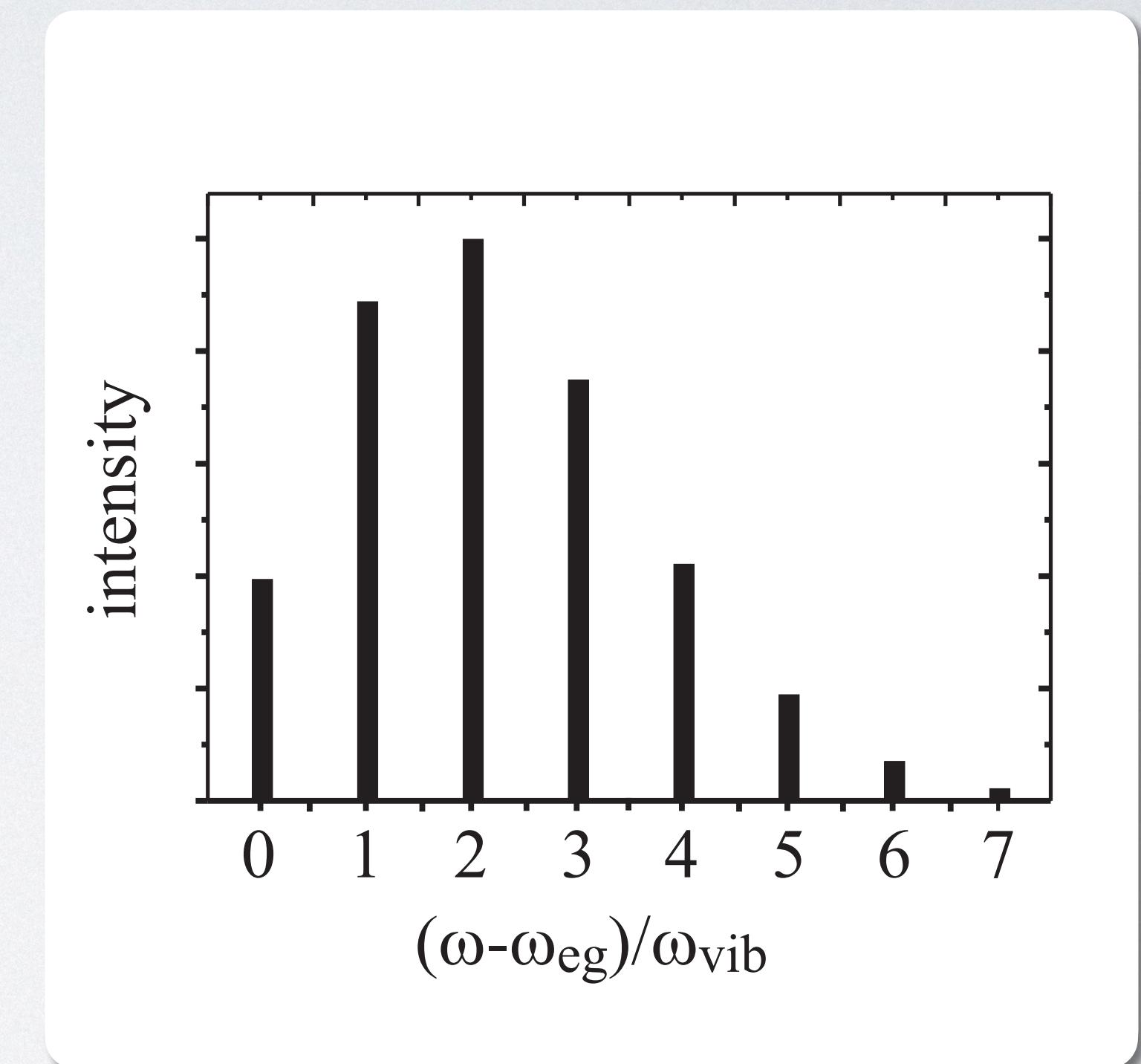
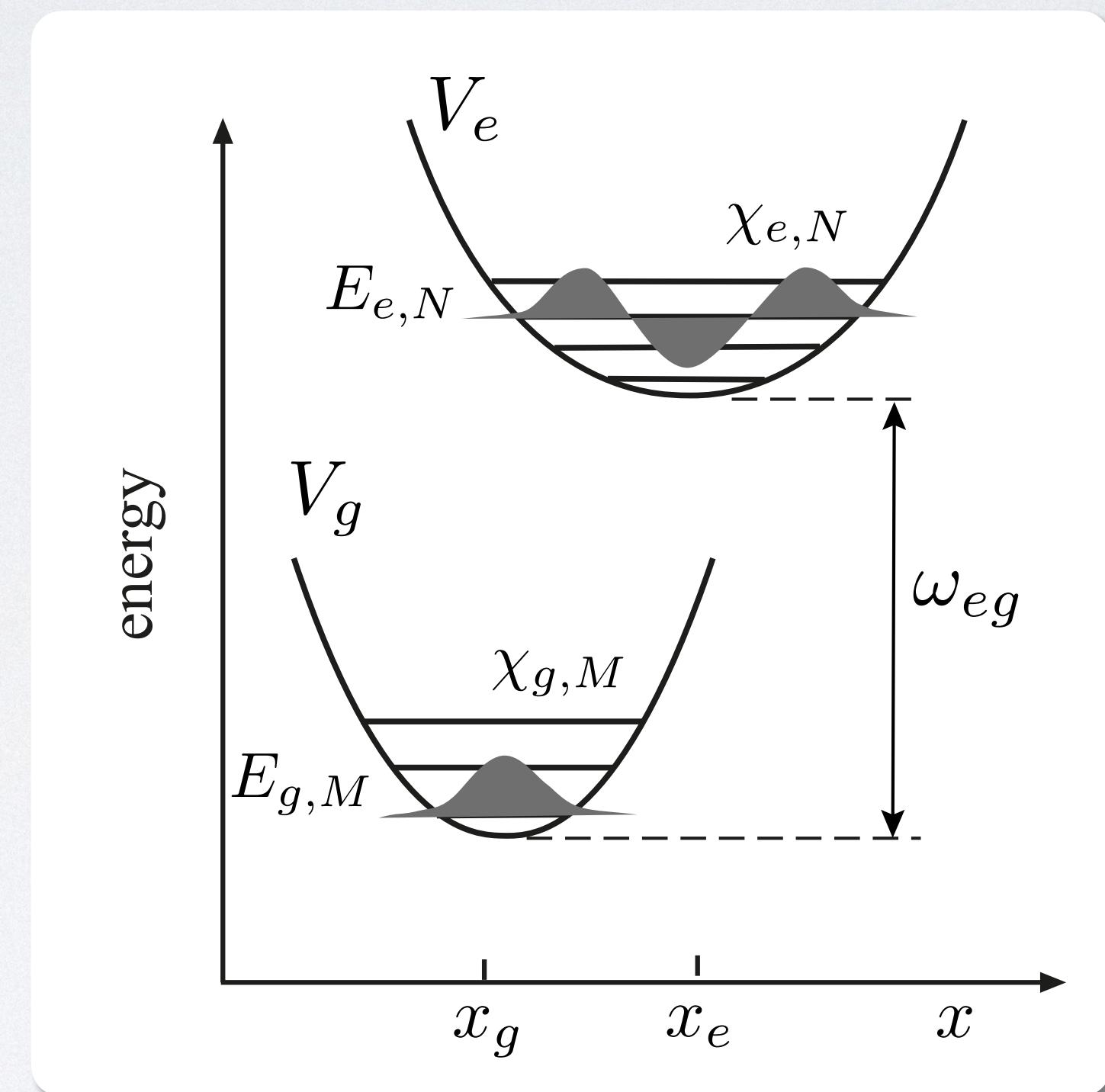
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FERMI'S GOLDEN RULE

- vibronic absorption spectrum

$$\alpha(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{vib}}} \sum_{MN} e^{-\beta E_{g,M}} |\langle \chi_{e,N} | \hat{d}_{eg} | \chi_{g,M} \rangle|^2 \delta(\hbar\omega - \hbar\omega_{eg} - (E_{e,N} - E_{g,M})) \quad (\beta = 1/k_B T)$$

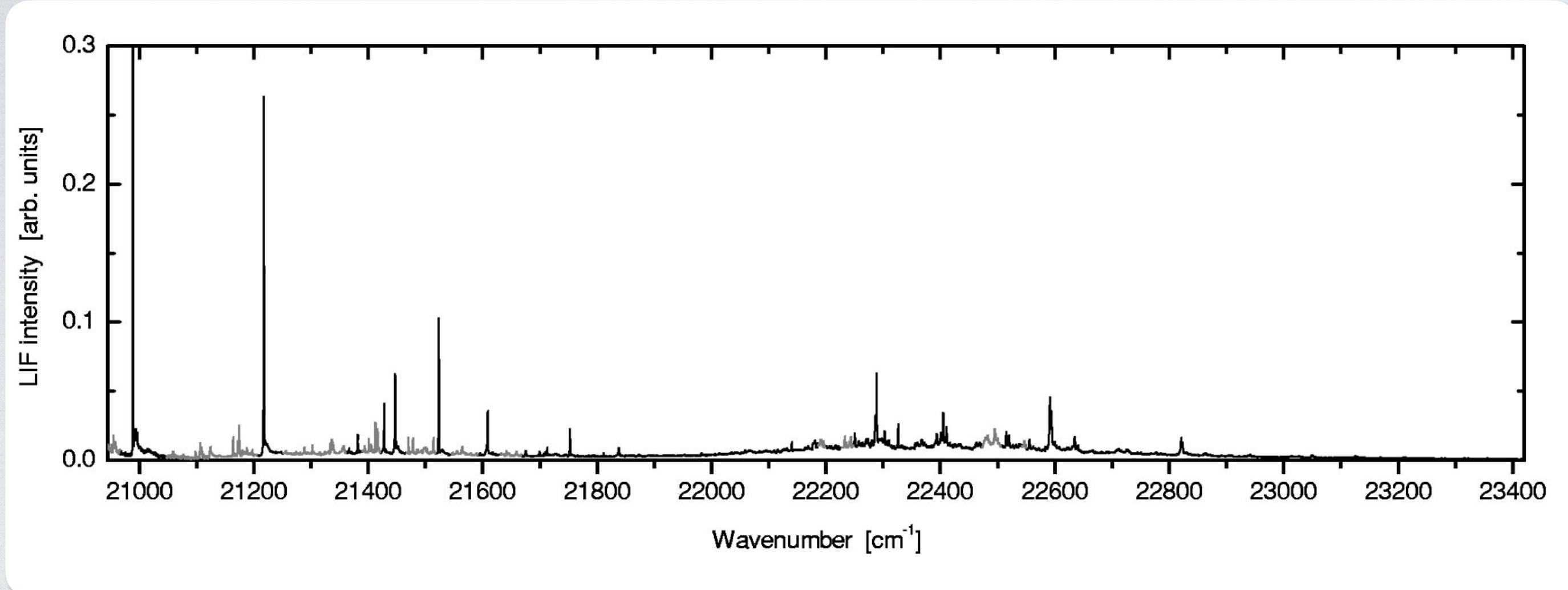
- dipole moment operator
- $\hat{d} = \hat{d}_{eg}(\mathbf{x}) |e\rangle\langle g| + \text{h.c.}$
- shifted oscillator model



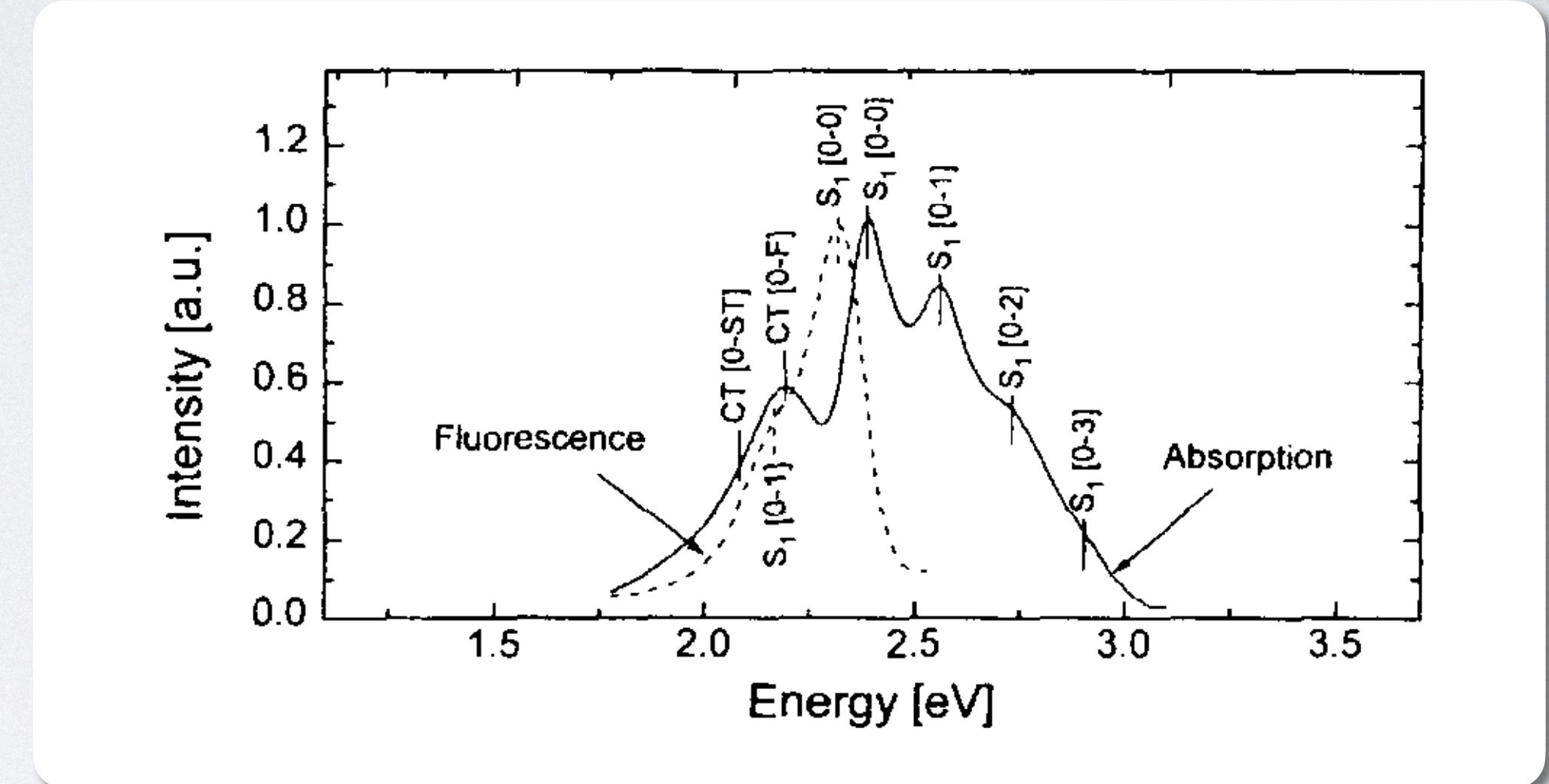
$$\alpha(\omega)|_{T=0} = \frac{|d_{eg}|^2}{\hbar} e^{-\Delta g^2} \sum_{M=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta g^{2M}}{M!} \delta(\omega - M\omega_{\text{vib}})$$

VIBRONIC ABSORPTION SPECTRA

PTCDA in He



PTCDA in DMSO



- multi-mode & anharmonic case
- condensed phase: system-environment coupling

AGENDA

Goal: nuclear quantum dynamics effects in vibronic spectroscopy with classical trajectories

This talk:

- time-dependent formulation of vibronic absorption spectra
- classical trajectories in common approaches
- generalized time-correlation functions
- Matsubara dynamics

THE HELLER FORMULA

$$\alpha(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{vib}}} \sum_{MN} e^{-\beta E_{g,M}} |\langle \chi_{e,N} | \hat{d}_{eg} | \chi_{g,M} \rangle|^2 \delta(\hbar\omega - \hbar\omega_{eg} - (E_{e,N} - E_{g,M}))$$

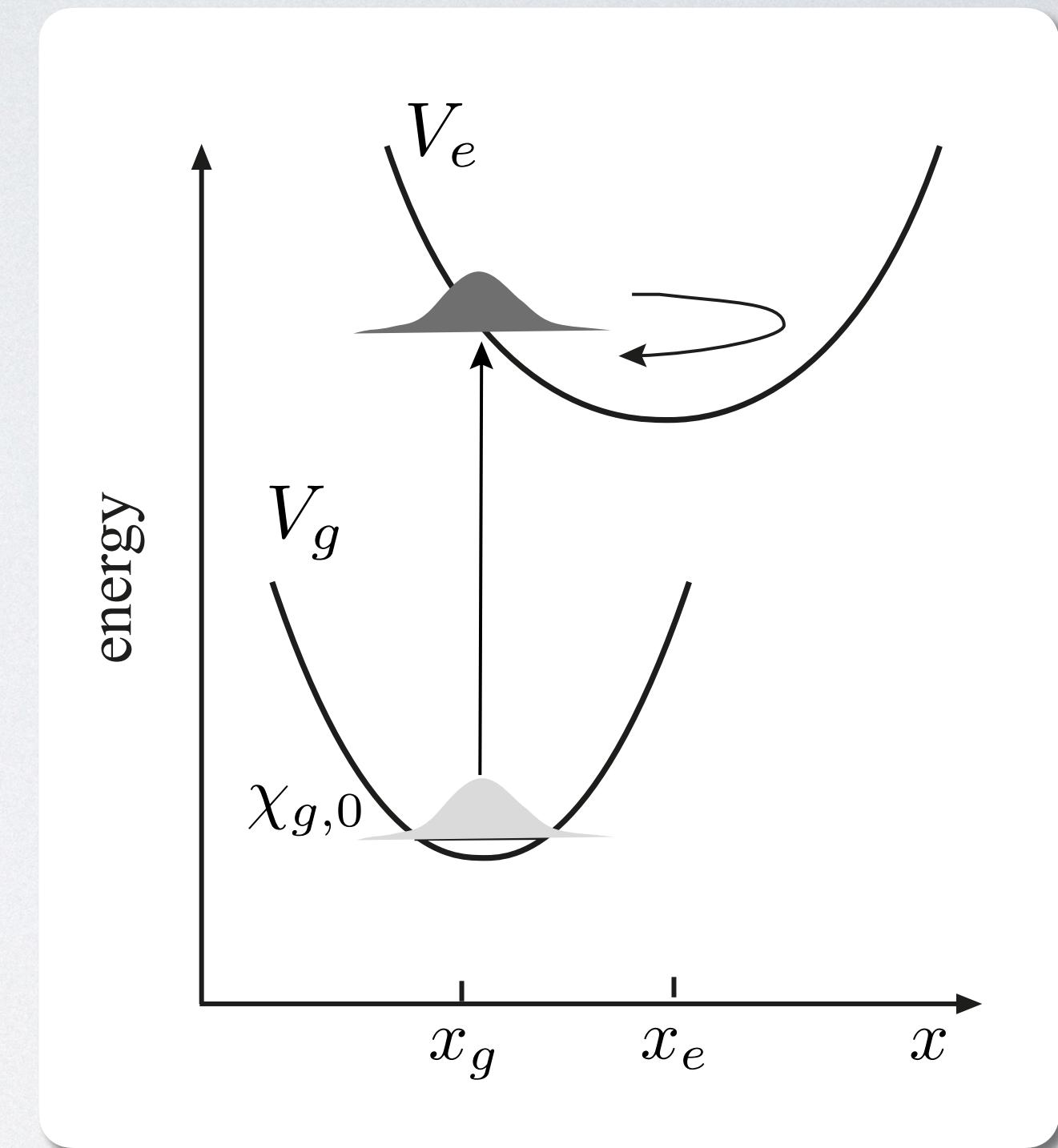
- using Fourier-integral representation of delta function

$$\delta(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int dt e^{i\omega t}$$

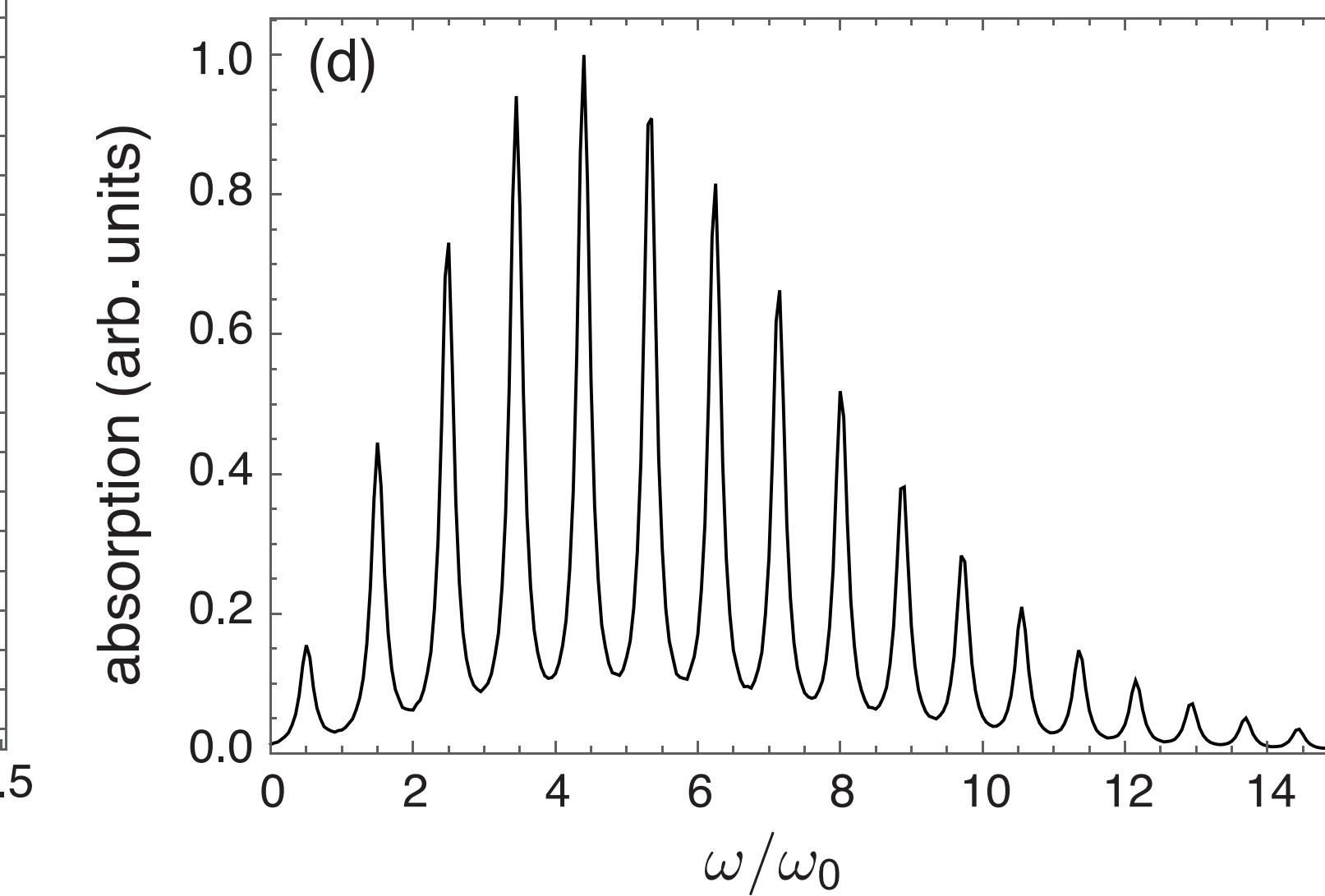
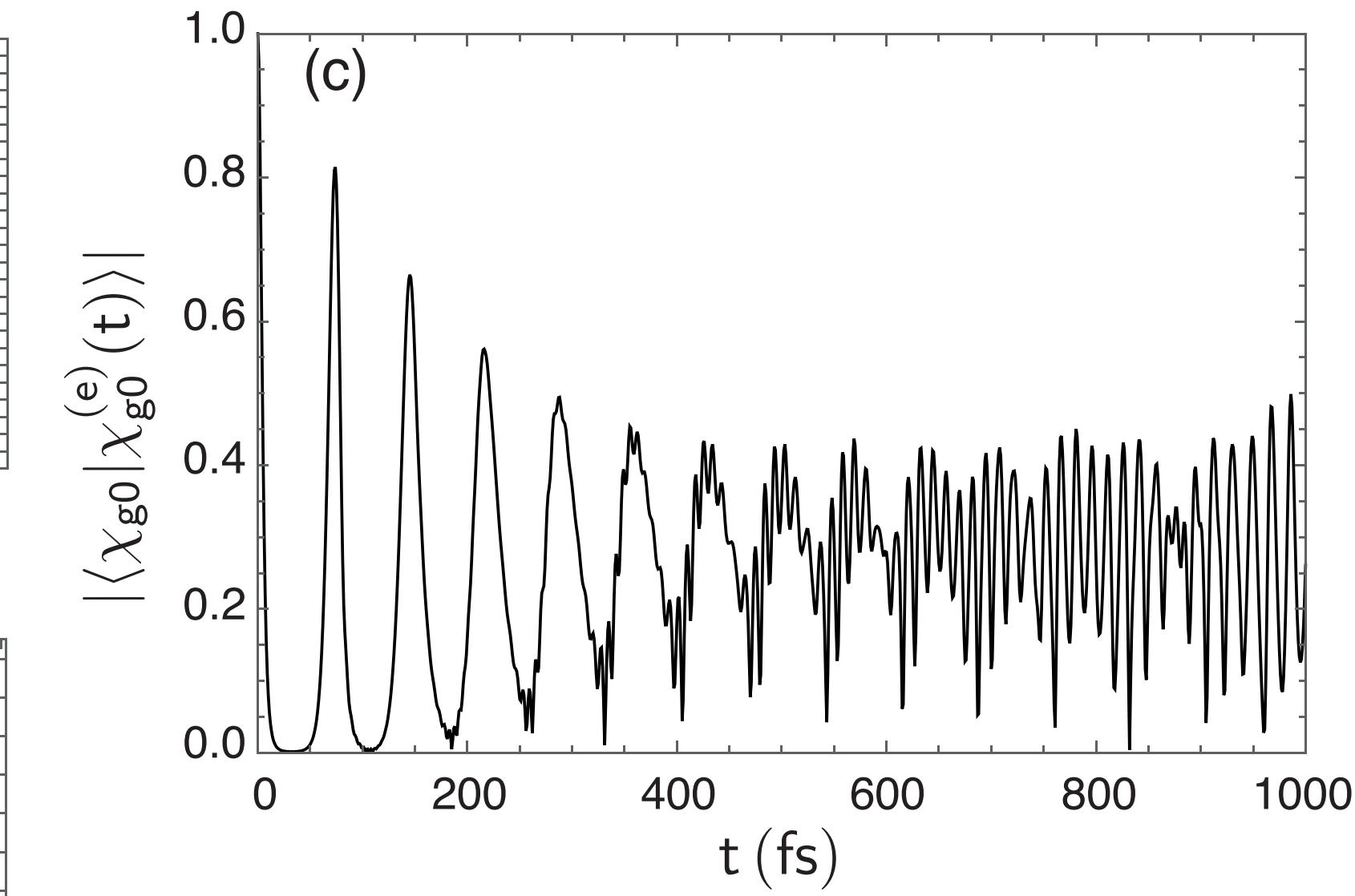
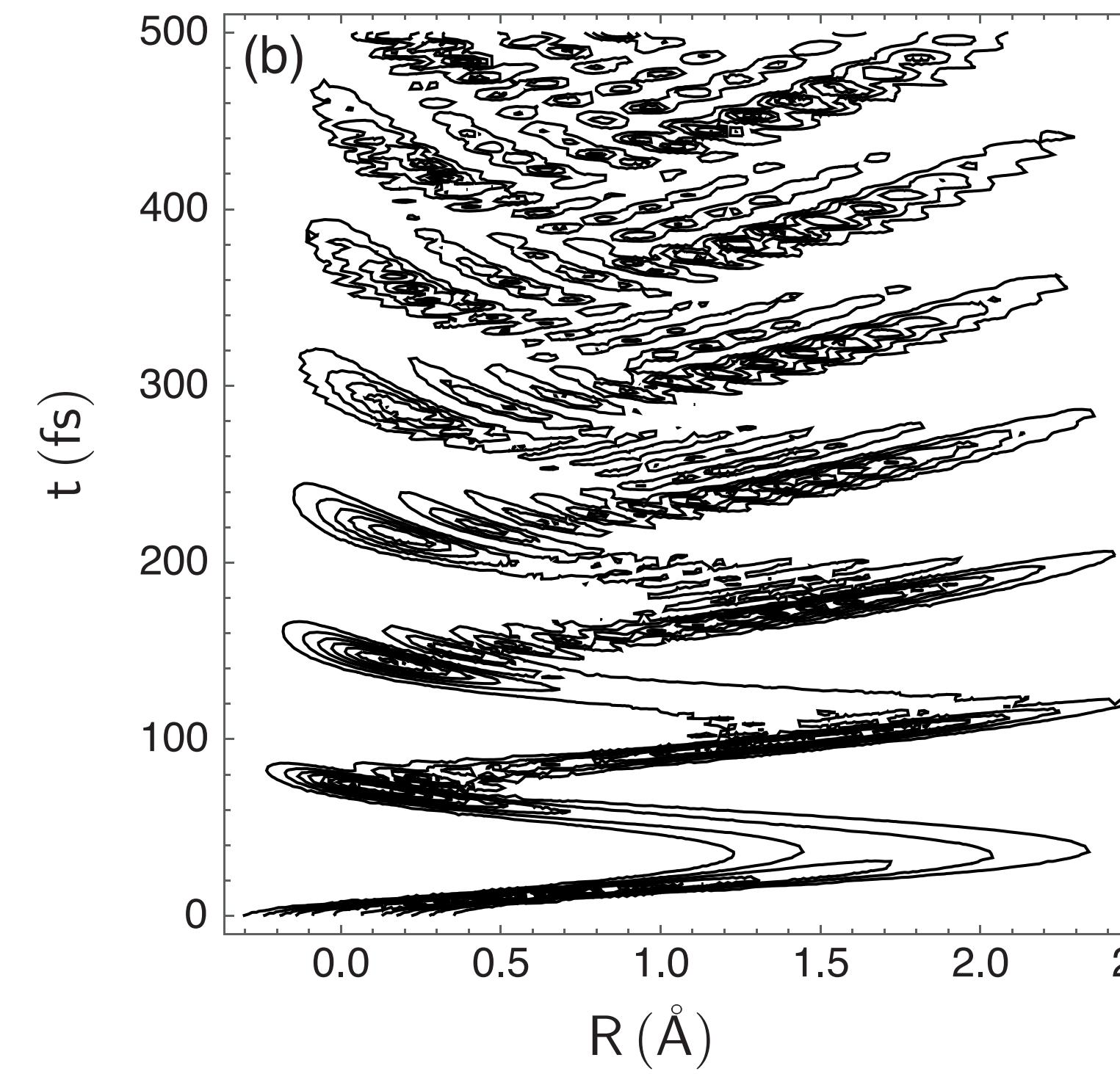
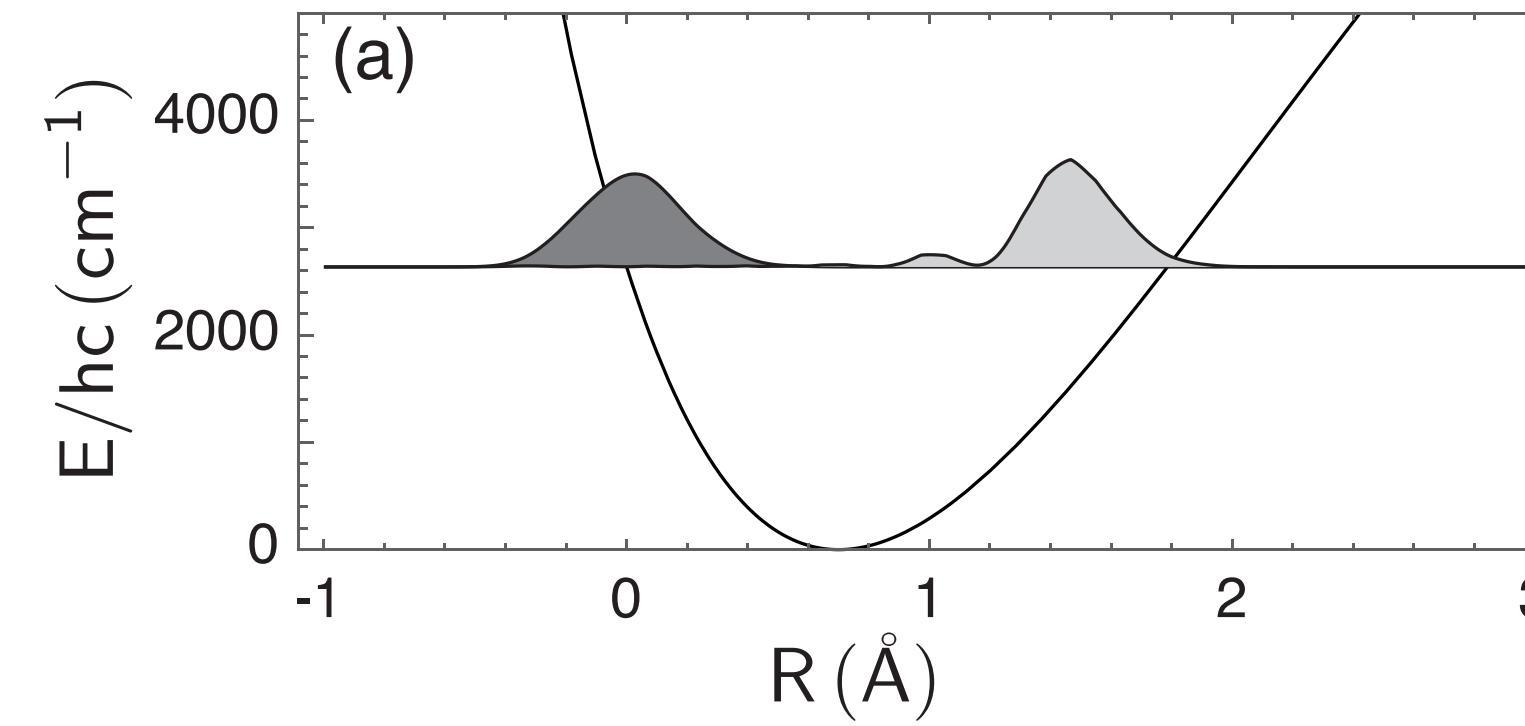
- time correlation function (TCF) expression

$$\alpha(\omega)|_{T=0} = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \chi_{g,0} | e^{i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{ge} e^{-i\hat{H}_e t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{eg} | \chi_{g,0} \rangle$$

- same information, but obtained using time-domain techniques

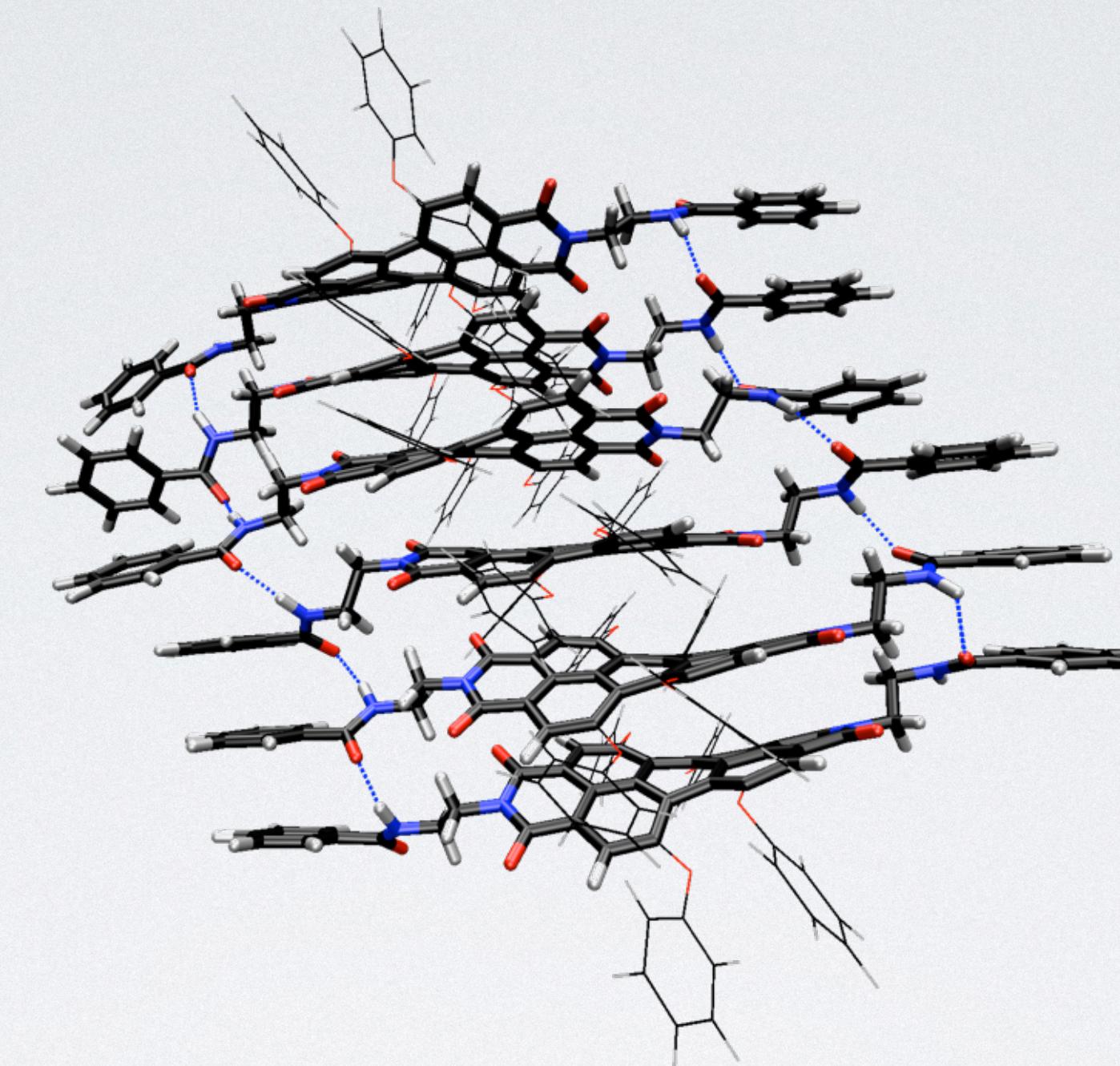
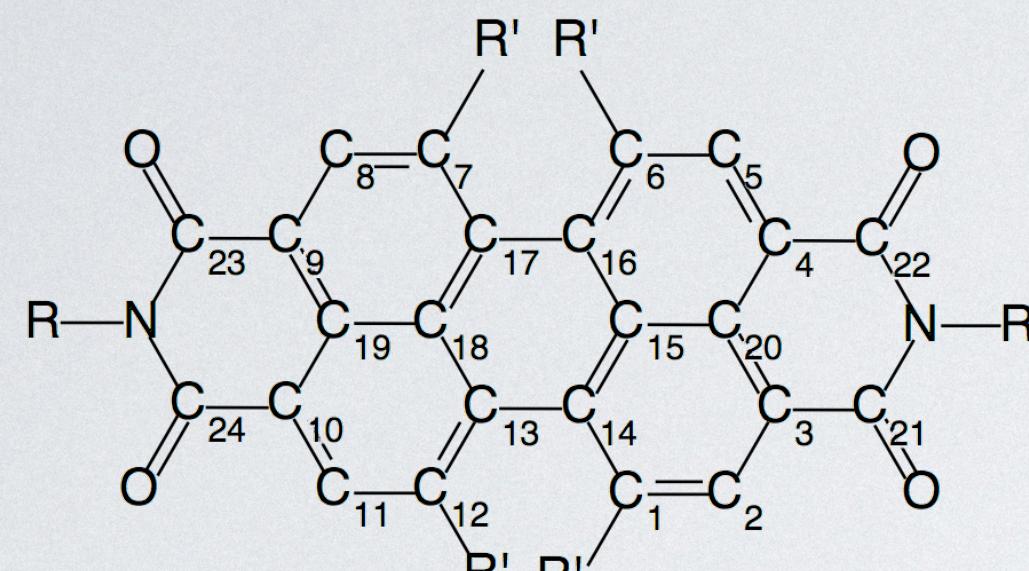


SIMPLE EXAMPLE: MORSE OSCILLATOR

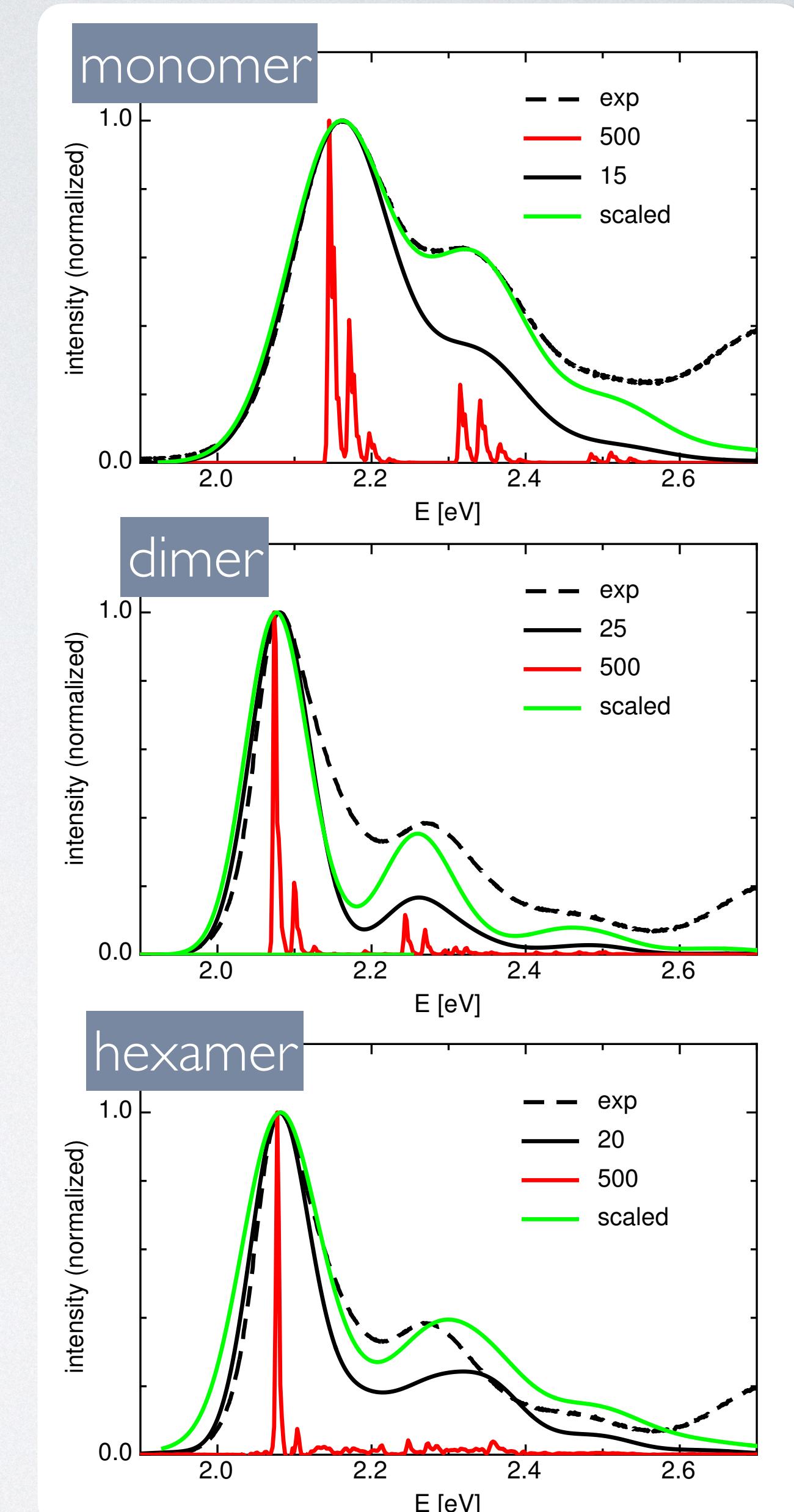


A LESS SIMPLE EXAMPLE

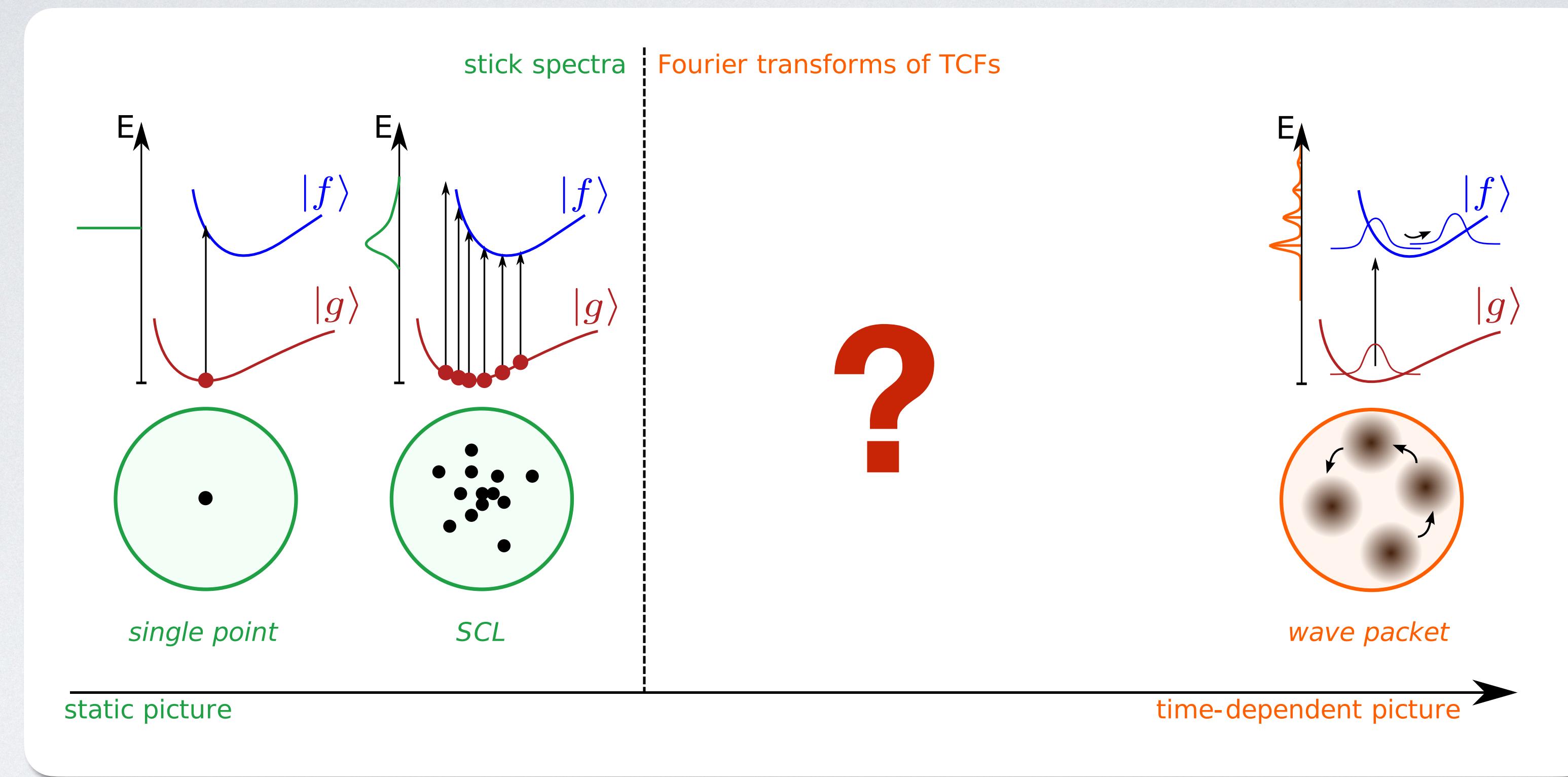
- PBI aggregate



- MCTDH model of n-mer with $n \times 5$ modes
- but... curse of dimensionality



COMMON TRAJECTORY APPROACHES



- Heller's wave packet formulation (time-dependent)
- single point + empirical broadening (static)
- sampling of configurations (static)

DYNAMICAL CLASSICAL LIMIT (DCL)

$$\alpha(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar Z_{\text{vib}}} \sum_M \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \langle \chi_{g,M} | e^{-\beta E_{g,M}} e^{i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{ge} e^{-i\hat{H}_e t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{eg} | \chi_{g,M} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} C(t)$$

$$C(t) = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{vib}}} \text{tr}_{\text{vib}} [e^{-\beta \hat{H}_g} e^{i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{ge} e^{-i\hat{H}_e t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{eg}] = \langle e^{i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{ge} e^{-i\hat{H}_e t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{eg} \rangle_{\text{vib}}$$

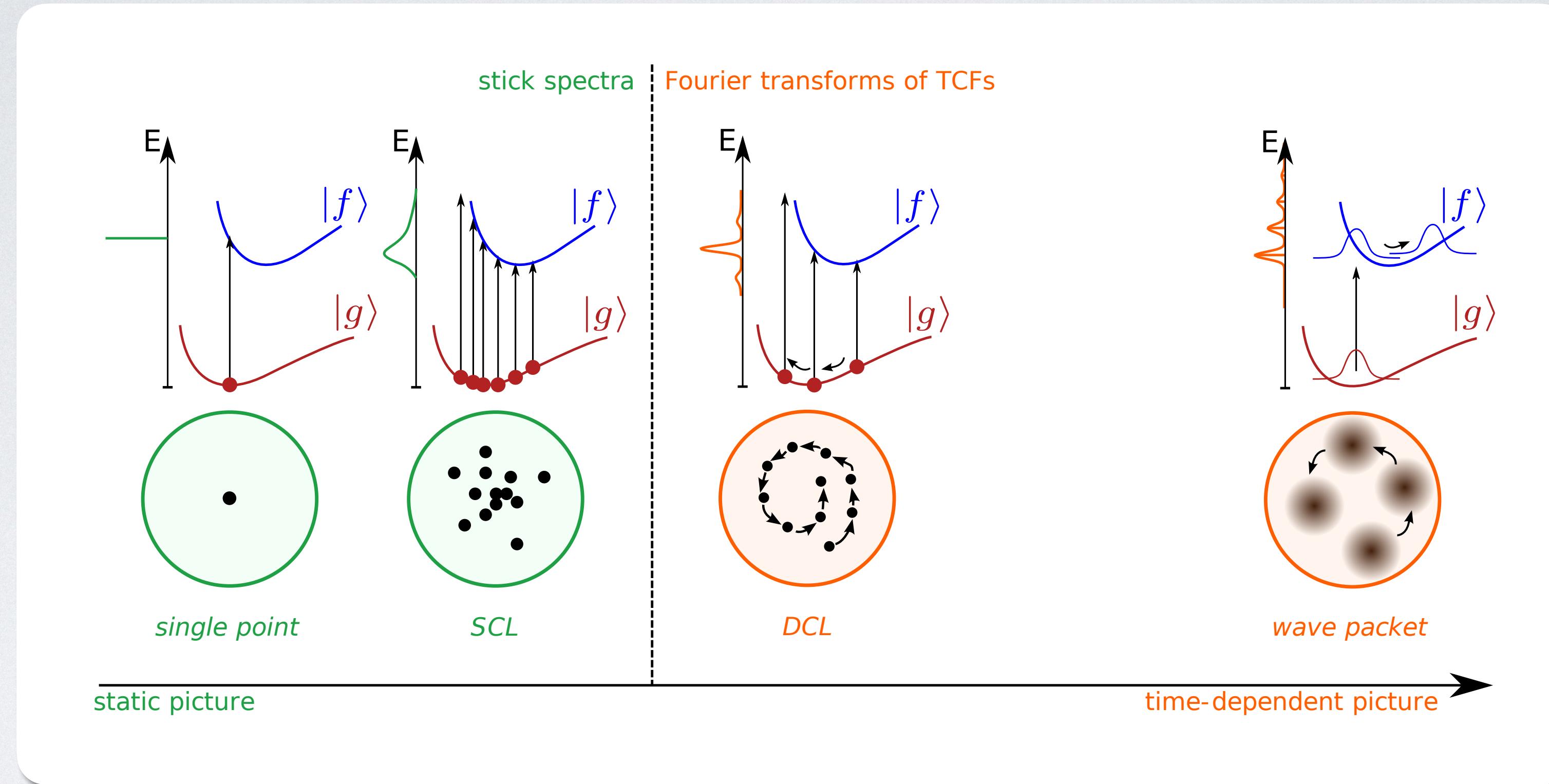
- use interaction representation to introduce energy gap fluctuations

$$e^{-i\hat{H}_e t/\hbar} = e^{-i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar} \exp_+ \left[-i \int_0^t d\tau \hat{\Delta}_{eg}(\tau) \right]$$

$$\hbar \hat{\Delta}_{eg}(t) = e^{i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar} (\hat{V}_e - \hat{V}_g) e^{-i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar}$$

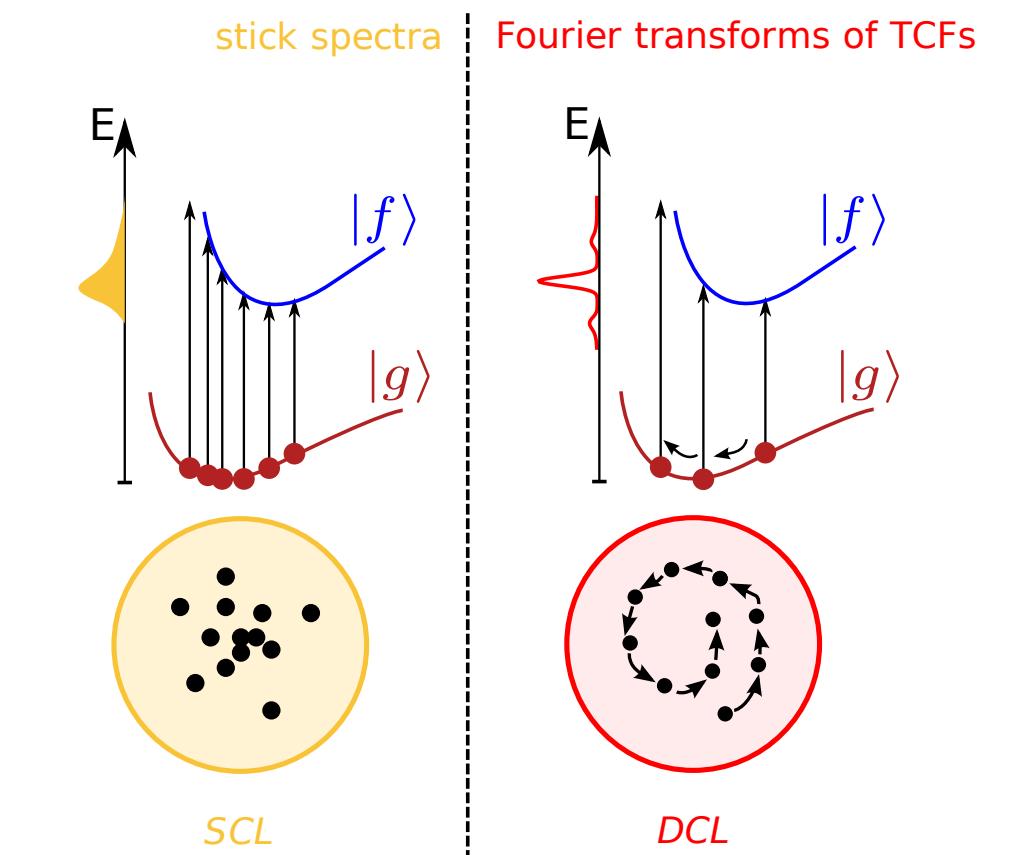
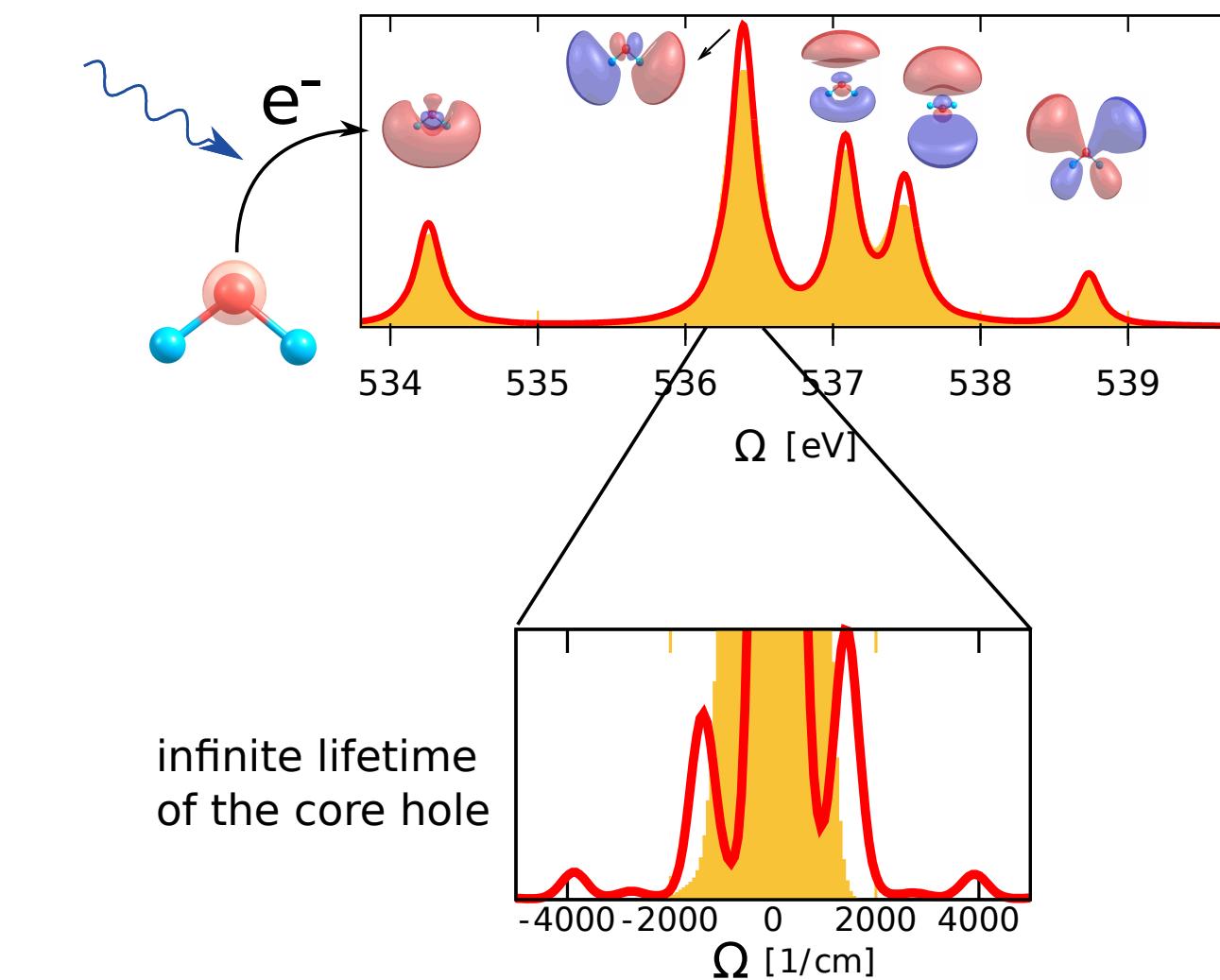
$$C(t) = \langle \hat{d}_{ge}(t) \exp_+ \left[-i \int_0^t d\tau \hat{\Delta}_{eg}(\tau) \right] \hat{d}_{eg}(0) \rangle_{\text{vib}}$$

$$C_{\text{DCL}}(t) = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{cl}}} \int d\mathbf{x}_0 d\mathbf{p}_0 e^{-\beta H_g(0)} d_{ge}(\mathbf{x}_t) d_{eg}(\mathbf{x}_0) \exp \left[-i \int_0^t d\tau \Delta_{eg}(\mathbf{x}_\tau) \right]$$

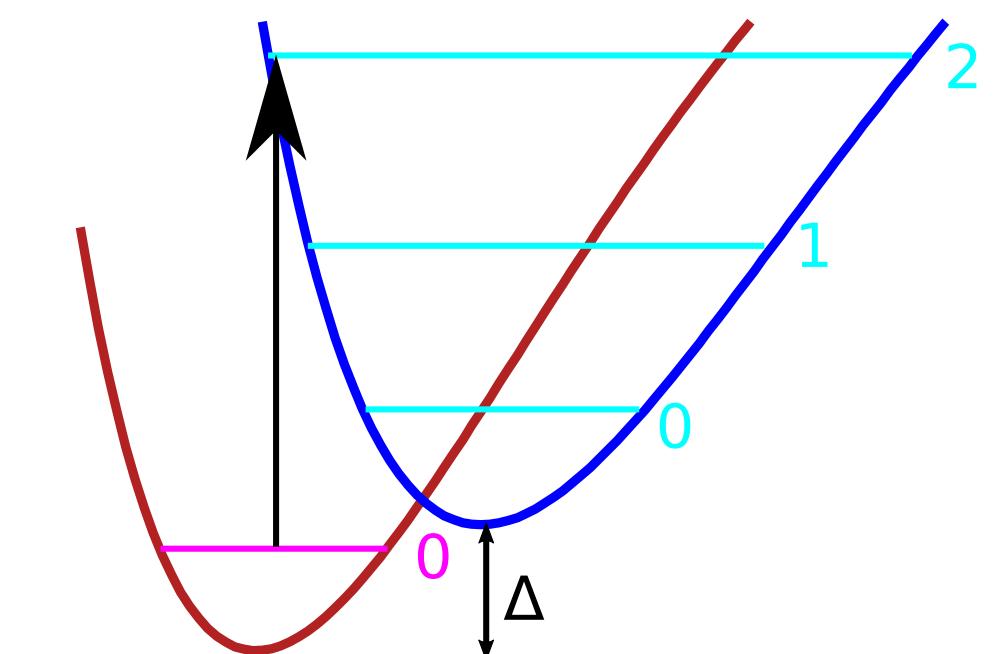
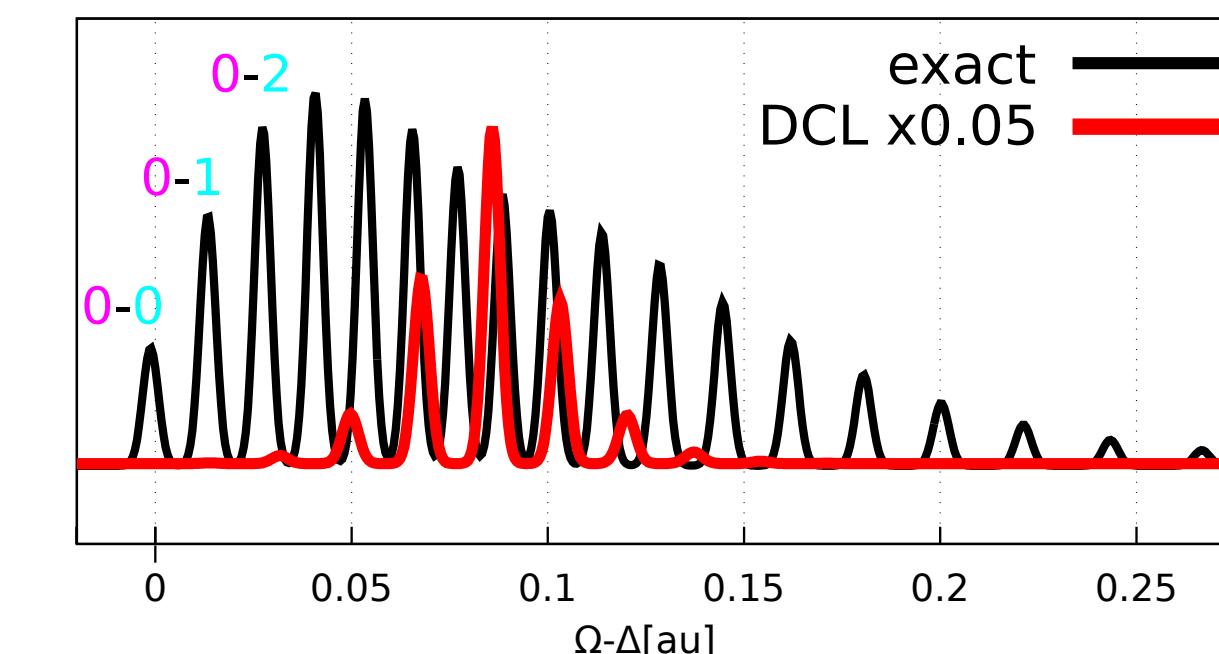


- only ground state trajectories are required
- readily interface with standard classical molecular dynamics codes
- extension to nonlinear spectroscopy straightforward

- XAS of gas phase water



- OH stretch of H_2O (ID)
- what's missing?

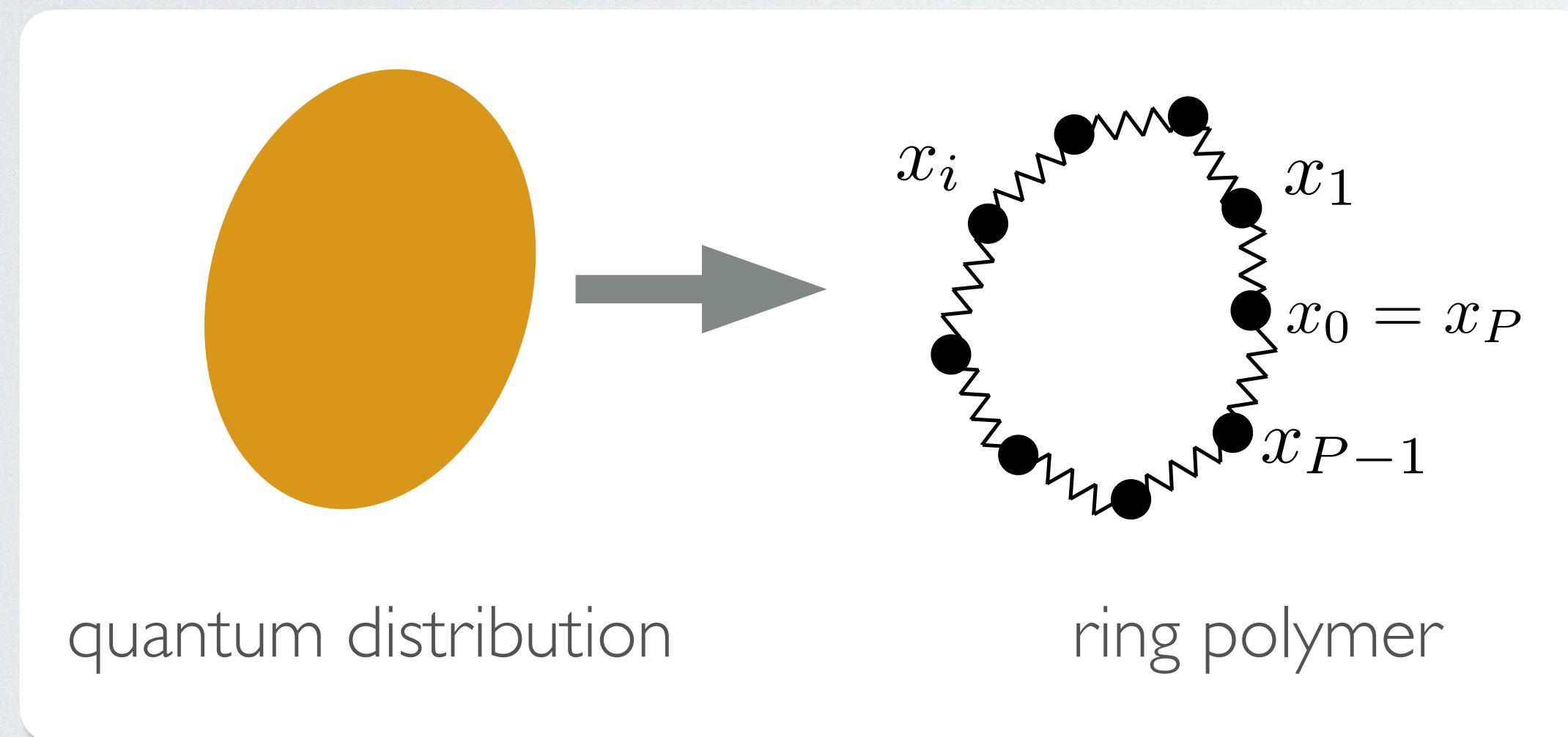


- on the ground state: nuclear quantum effects (ZPE, tunneling)
- on the excited state: info about accessible potential, nonadiabatic effects

IMAGINARY-TIME PATH INTEGRALS

- method to capture quantum effects on statistical distribution
- mapping onto dynamics of classical ring polymer in configuration space

$$\langle \hat{A} \hat{B} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr}[e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \hat{A} \hat{B}] = \lim_{P \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{Z_P} \int d\mathbf{x} e^{-\beta U(\mathbf{x})} A(\mathbf{x}) B(\mathbf{x})$$



$U(\mathbf{x})$: harmonic springs + physical potential

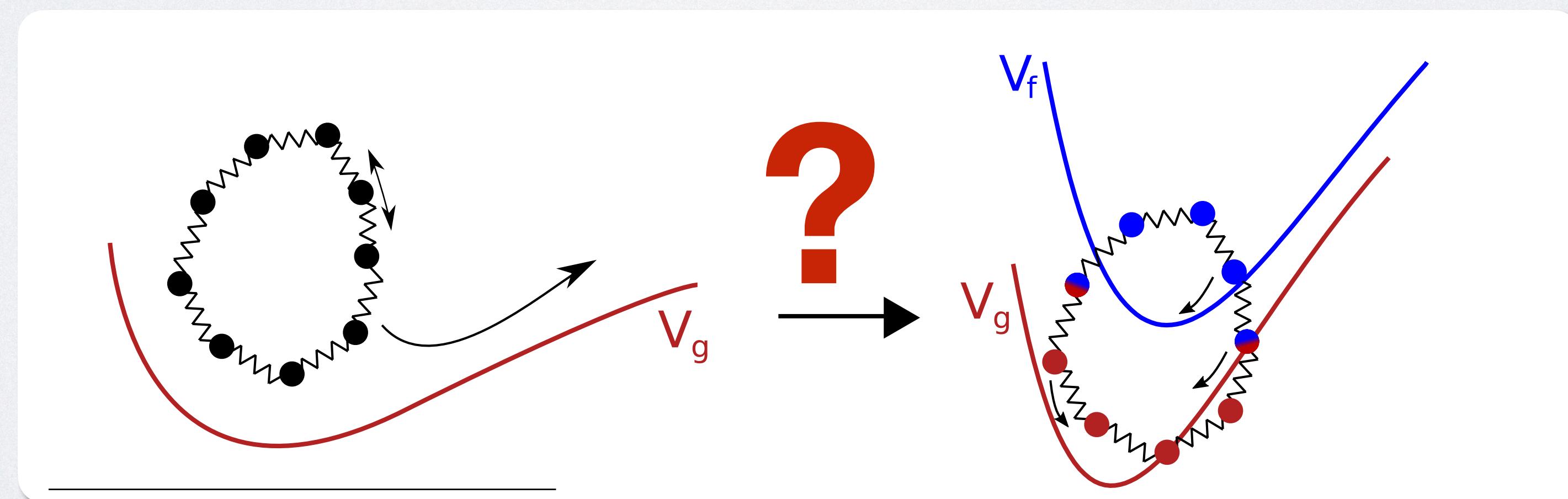
- formally exact expression, allows to describe quantum effects on equilibrium properties using classical trajectories

RING-POLYMER MOLECULAR DYNAMICS (RPMD)

- original path-integral formulation for static case only
- for spectroscopy TCFs are needed

$$C_{AB}(t) = \langle \hat{A}(0)\hat{B}(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr}[e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \hat{A}(0)\hat{B}(t)] \quad \hat{B}(t) = e^{i\hat{H}t/\hbar} \hat{B} e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar}$$

- RPMD makes use of ring polymer expression and takes trajectories that were intended for sampling only (not rigorous except, e.g., harmonic oscillators)
- vibrational dynamics via dynamics of ring polymer



TCF: CLASSICAL LIMIT

- absorption spectrum

$$\alpha(\omega) \propto \int dt e^{-i\omega t} C_{AB}(t) = C_{AB}(\omega) \quad (\hat{A} = \hat{B} = \hat{d})$$

- properties of quantum TCF

$$C_{AB}(t) = \langle \hat{A}(0)\hat{B}(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr}[e^{-\beta\hat{H}} \hat{A}(0)\hat{B}(t)]$$

$$C_{AB}(t) = C_{BA}^*(-t) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad C_{AB}(\omega)/C_{BA}(-\omega) = \exp(\beta\hbar\omega)$$

- simple classical approximation does not fulfill detailed balance

$$C_{AB,\text{class}}(t) = C_{BA,\text{class}}(-t) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad C_{AB,\text{class}}(\omega)/C_{BA,\text{class}}(-\omega) = 1$$

- large number of classical correction schemes derived from equivalent quantum formulations

KUBO-TRANSFORMED TCF

- introduce imaginary-time shifted TCF

$$C_\lambda(t) = C_{AB}(t + i\lambda\hbar) = \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr}[e^{-(\beta-\lambda)\hat{H}} \hat{A}(0) e^{-\lambda\hat{H}} \hat{B}(t)]$$

- Kubo-transformed TCF

$$C_{\text{Kubo}}(t) = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda C_\lambda(t) = C_{\text{Kubo}}(-t)$$

- most classical-like TCF
- de facto best method for vibrational (IR) spectroscopy

$$\alpha(\omega) \propto \int dt e^{-i\omega t} C_{\text{Kubo}}(t) = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda C_\lambda(\omega)$$

GENERALIZED TCF

- relation between Fourier-transforms of original and imaginary-time shifted TCF

$$C_{AB}(\omega) = \int dt e^{-i\omega t} C_{AB}(t) = C_\lambda(\omega) e^{\lambda \hbar \omega}$$

- ad-hoc generalization suggested by identity

$$\frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda W(\lambda) C_\lambda(\omega) = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda W(\lambda) e^{-\lambda \hbar \omega} C_{AB}(\omega) = p(\omega) C_{AB}(\omega)$$

- given a weight-function W the spectrum of the original TCF can be recovered

$$C_{AB}(\omega) = p^{-1}(\omega) \int dt e^{-i\omega t} \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda W(\lambda) C_\lambda(t)$$

- in practice one is searching for approximations to the generalized TCF

$$C_W(t) = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda W(\lambda) C_\lambda(t)$$

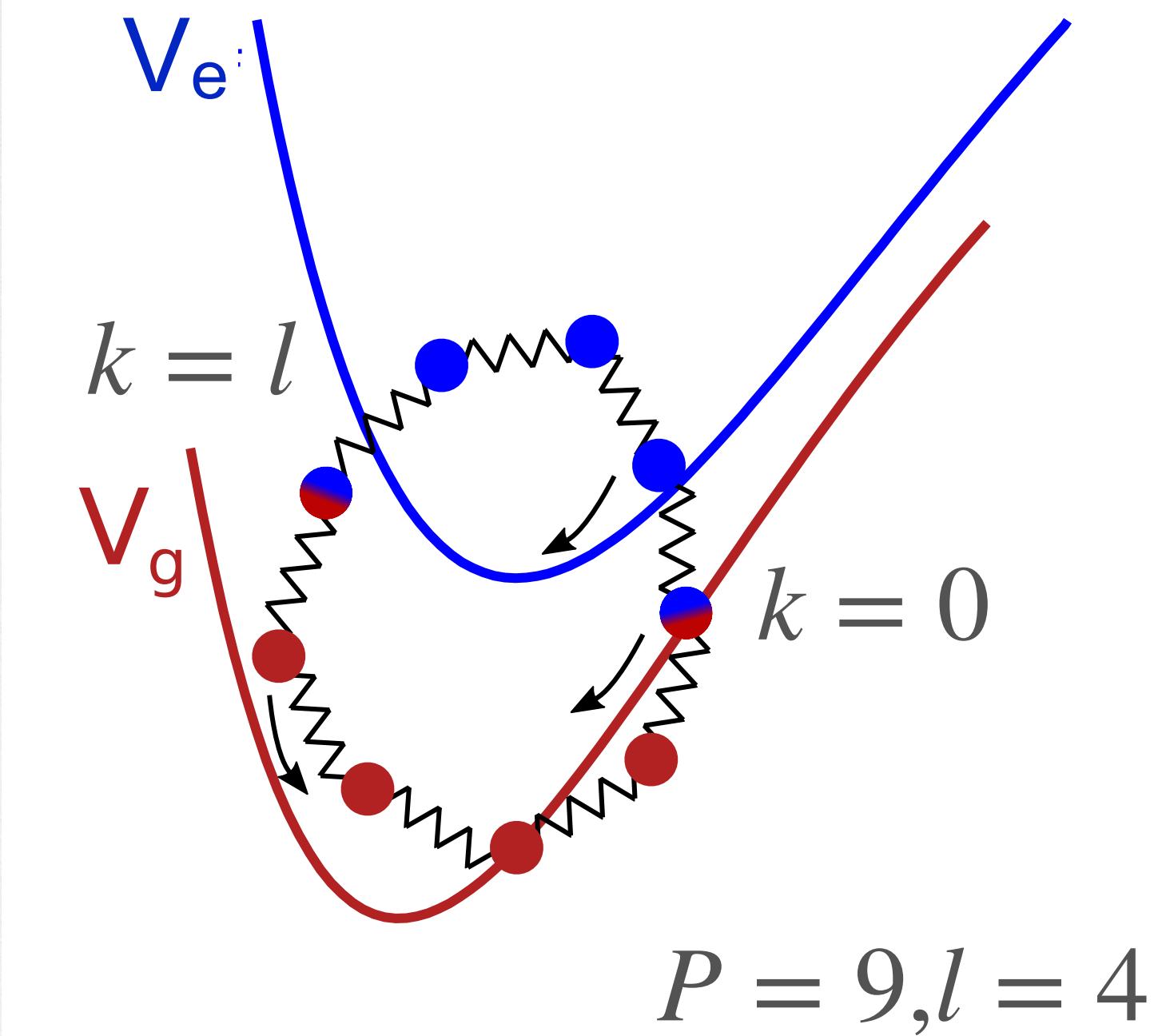
RPMD & GENERALIZED TCF

- generalized TCF can be combined with RPMD idea to include nuclear quantum effects
- leads to dynamics on 'both potentials'

$$U_l(\mathbf{x}) = K_{\text{poly}}(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{P} \left[\sum_{k=0}^l \eta_k V_e(\mathbf{x}_k) + \sum_{k=l}^P \eta_k V_g(\mathbf{x}_k) \right]$$

$$K_{\text{poly}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=0}^{P-1} \frac{P}{2\beta^2 \hbar^2} (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1})^T \mathbf{M} (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1})$$

- details of partitioning depend on intrinsic and external weights



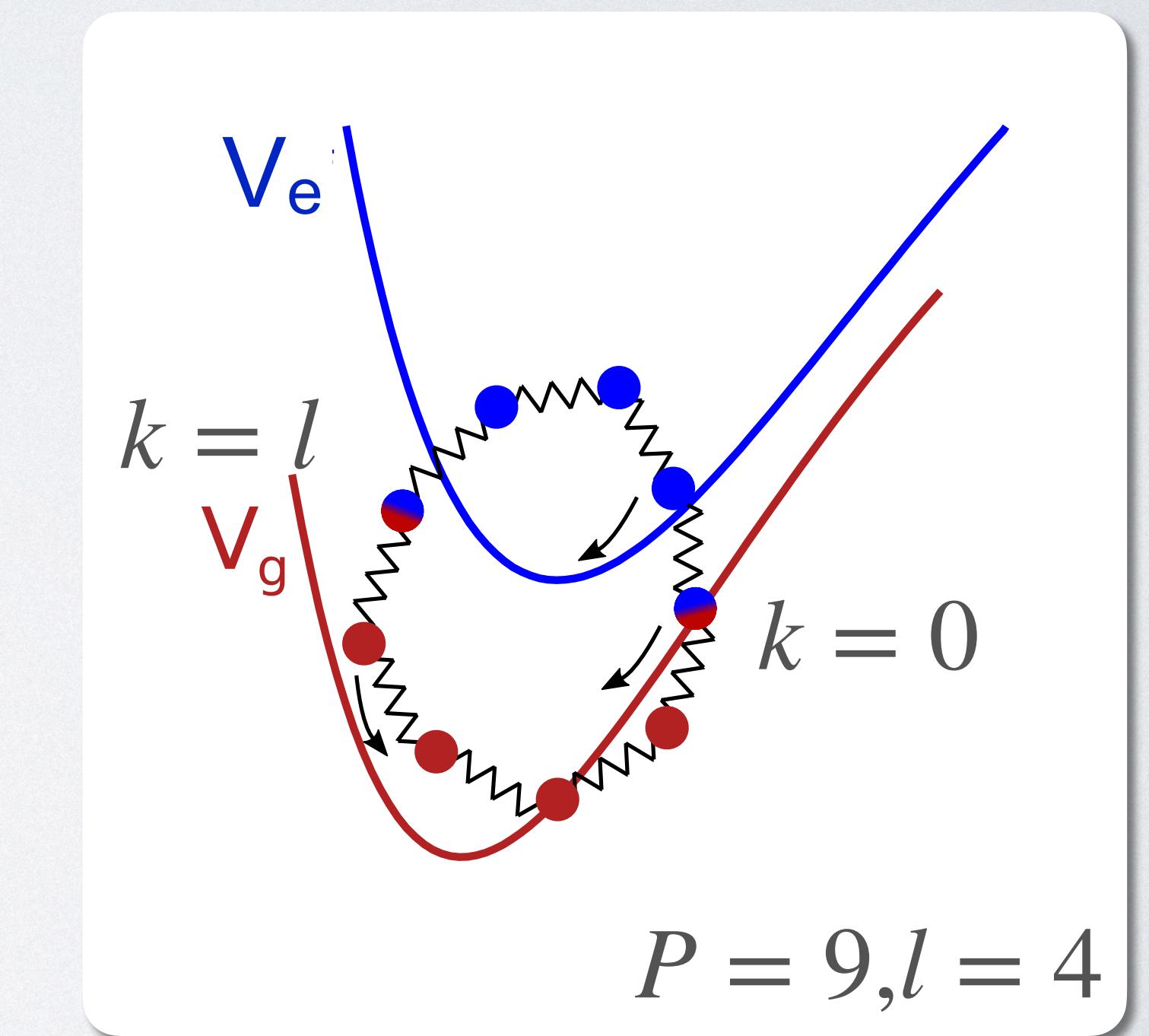
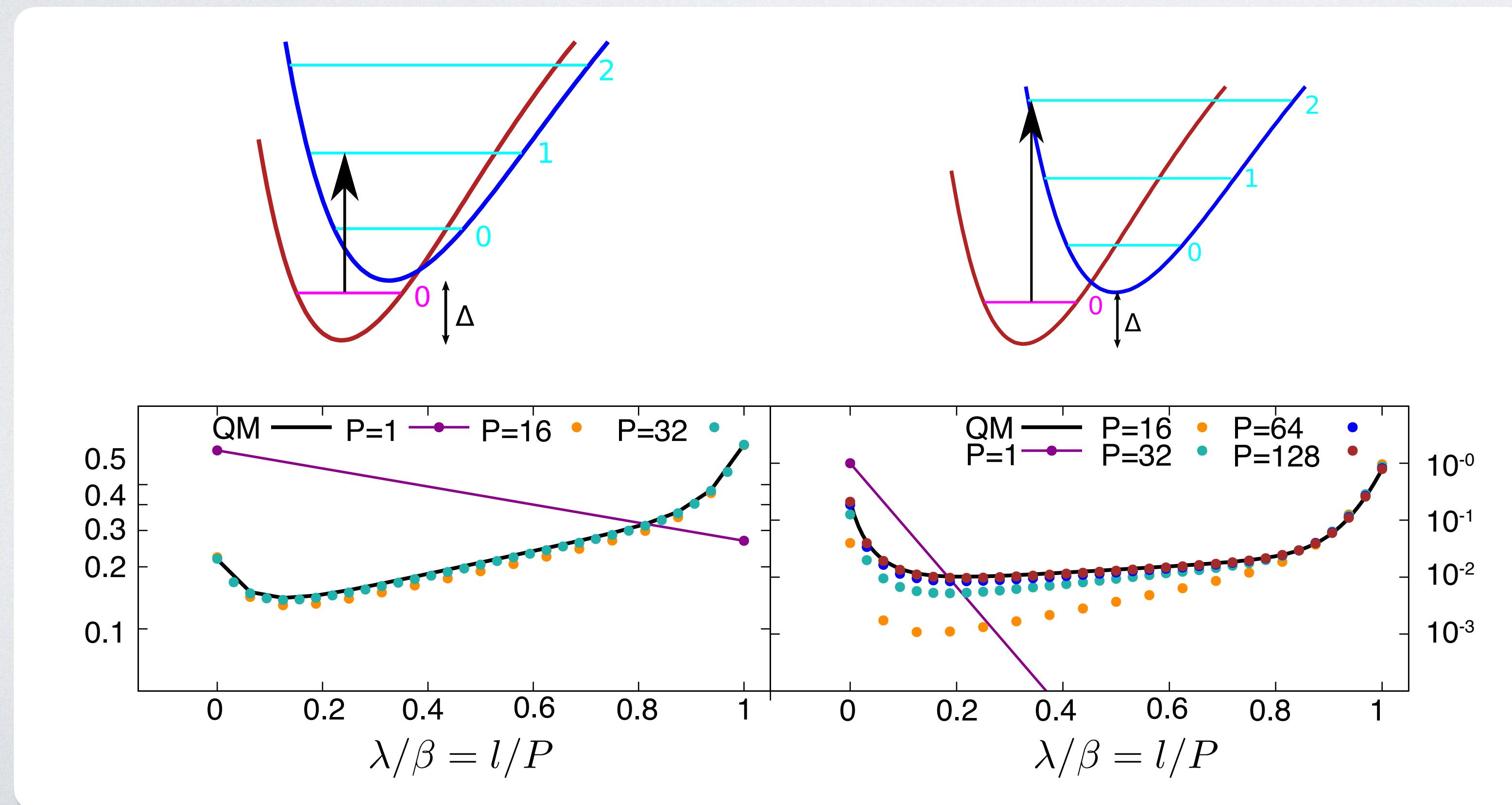
$$\eta_k = 0 \ (l = 0, P)$$

$$\eta_k = 1/2 \ (k = 0, l, P)$$

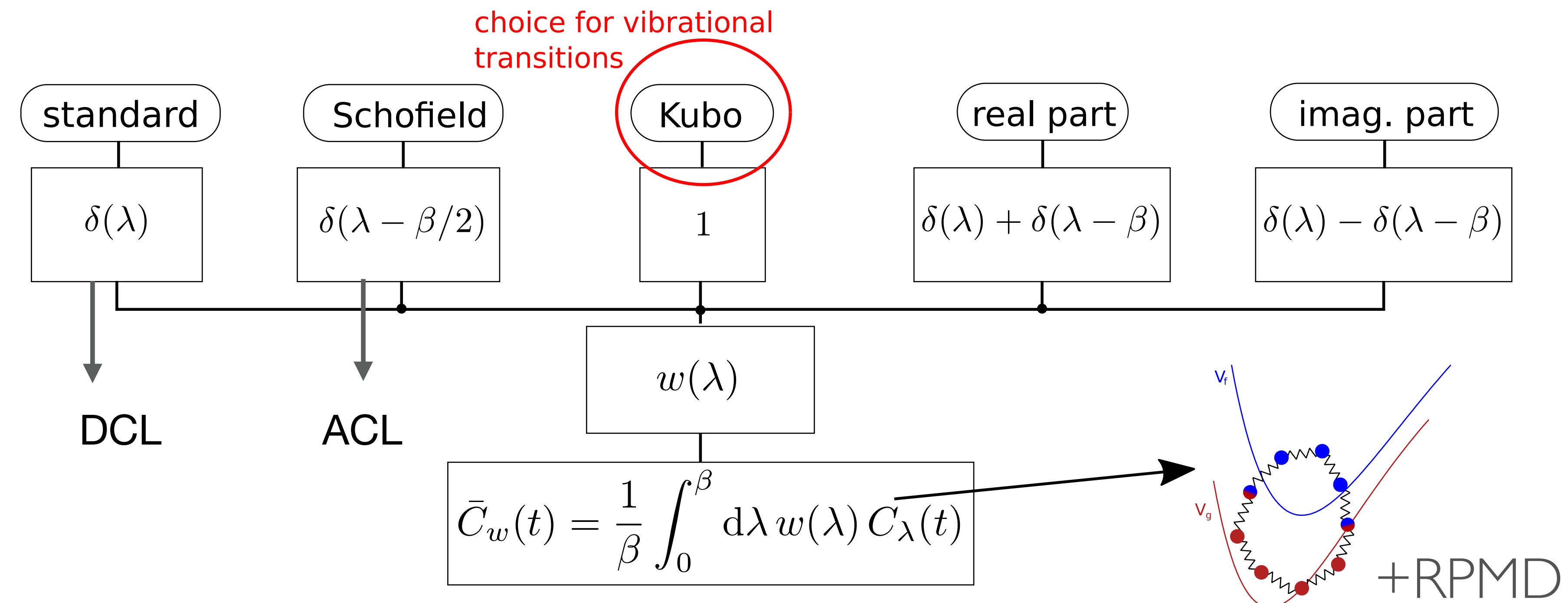
- generalized TCF expression applied to vibronic transition

$$C_W(t) = \frac{1}{P} \sum_{l=0}^P \eta_l W(\lambda_l) \xi_{\lambda_l} \langle d_{ge}(\mathbf{x}_l) d_{eg}(\mathbf{x}_0(t)) e^{i/\hbar \int_0^t d\tau [V_e(\mathbf{x}_0(\tau)) - V_g(\mathbf{x}_0(\tau))]} \rangle_{\lambda_l} \quad \lambda_l = l\beta/P$$

external & intrinsic weights $\xi_{\lambda_l} = Z_{\lambda_l}/Z$

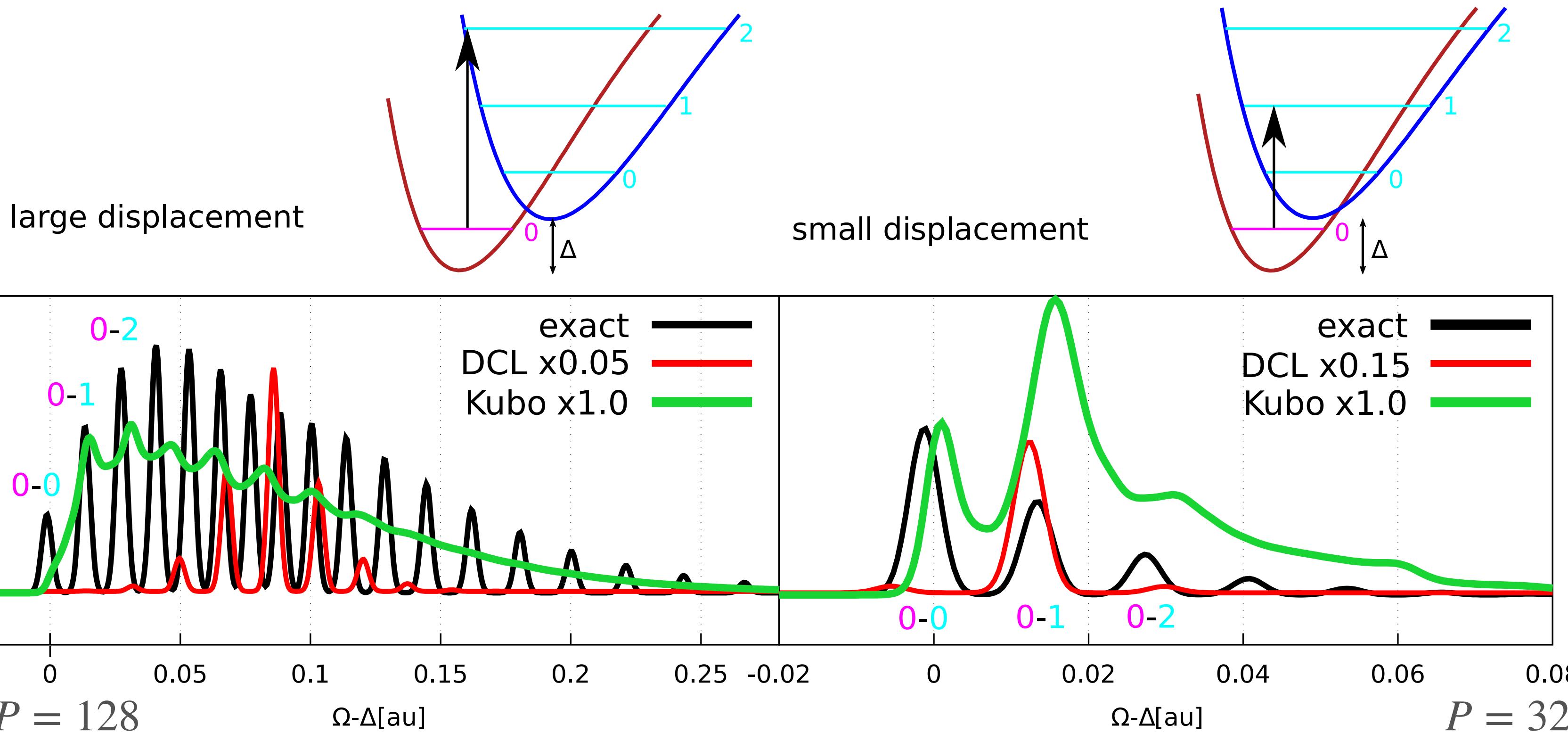


RELATION TO OTHER SCHEMES



- common quantum correction schemes are recovered by special choice of W
- but - new scheme opens way to infinitely many new TCFs

PERFORMANCE OF STANDARD METHODS



- DCL fails (see above)
- Kubo performance depends on systems parameters

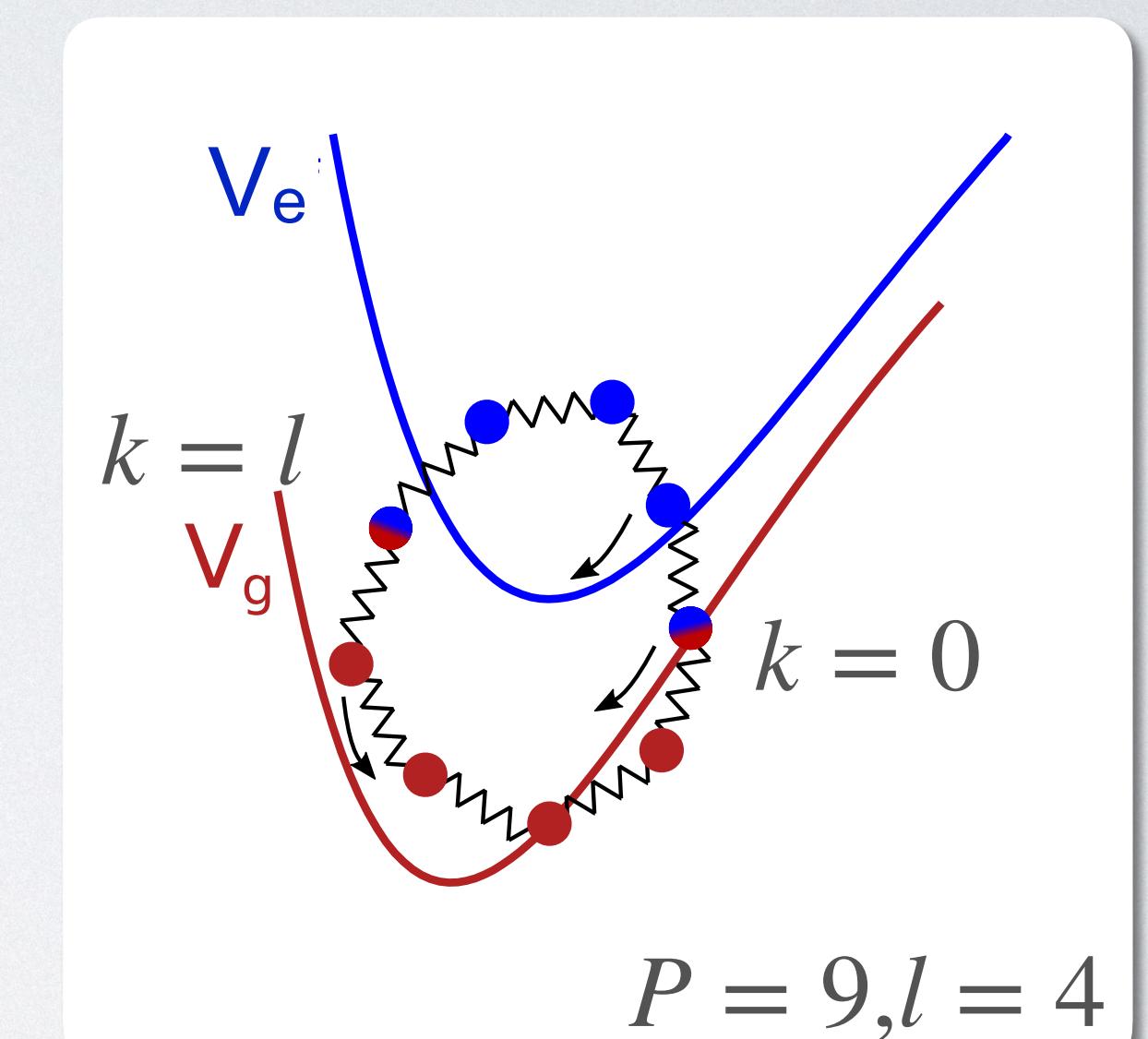
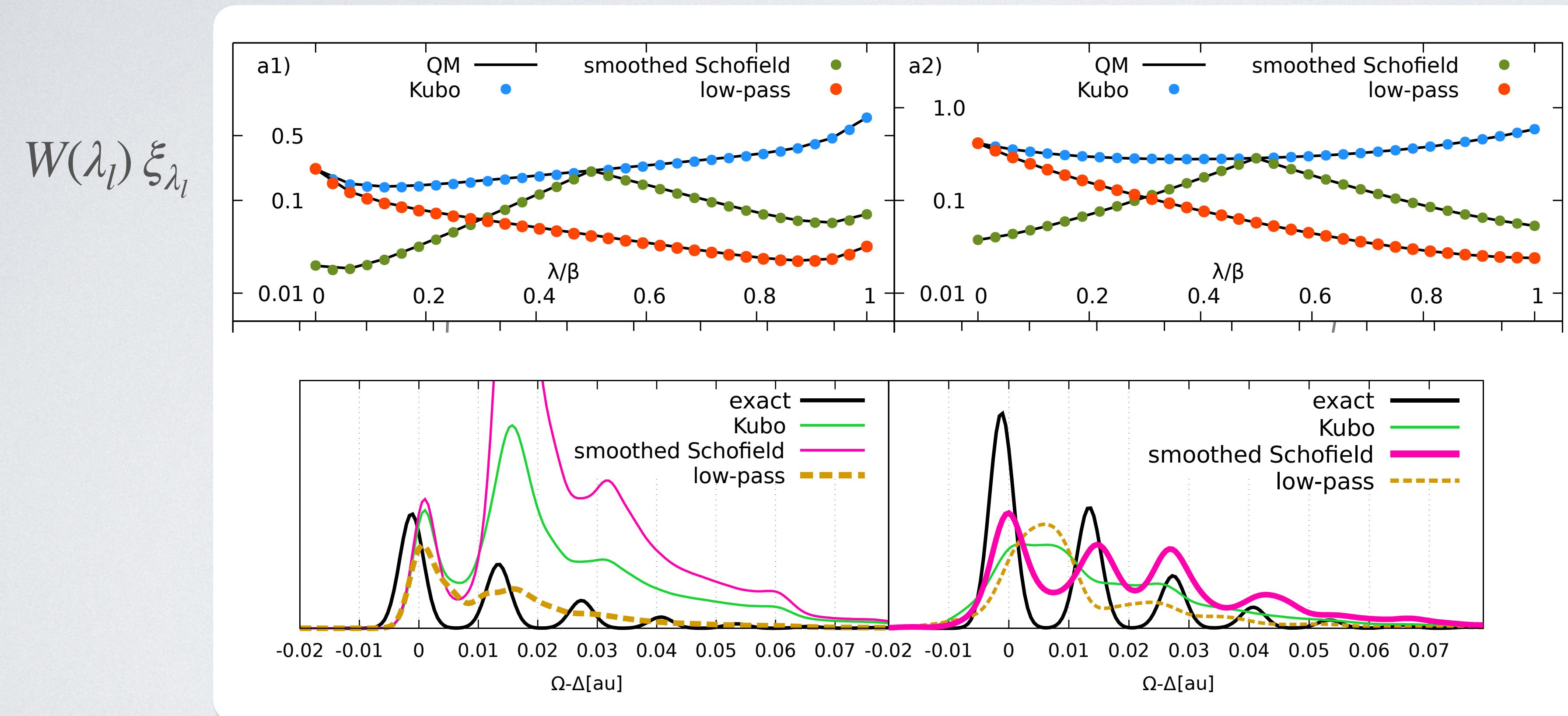
TOWARDS NEWTCFS

smoothed Schofield

$$W_{\text{Schofield}}(\lambda) = \delta(\lambda - \beta/2) \rightarrow e^{-|\lambda - \beta/2|\epsilon}$$

Kubo with low-pass filter

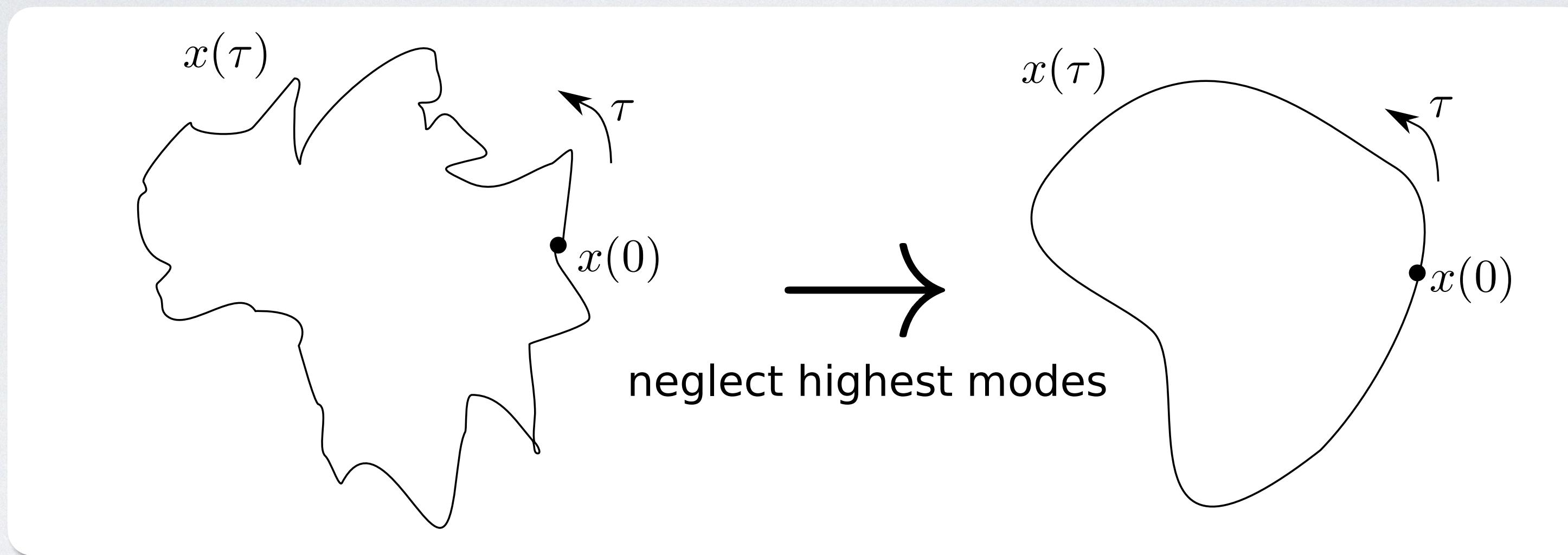
$$W_{\text{Kubo}}(\lambda) = 1 \rightarrow e^{-\lambda\epsilon}$$



- low-pass Kubo works for $\beta\hbar\omega_g = 18.6$
- smoothed Schofield works for $\beta\hbar\omega_g = 5$

MATSUBARA DYNAMICS

- dynamic PI-based approach to TCFs developed for vibrationally spectroscopy
- in that case rigorous up to the Matsubara approximation



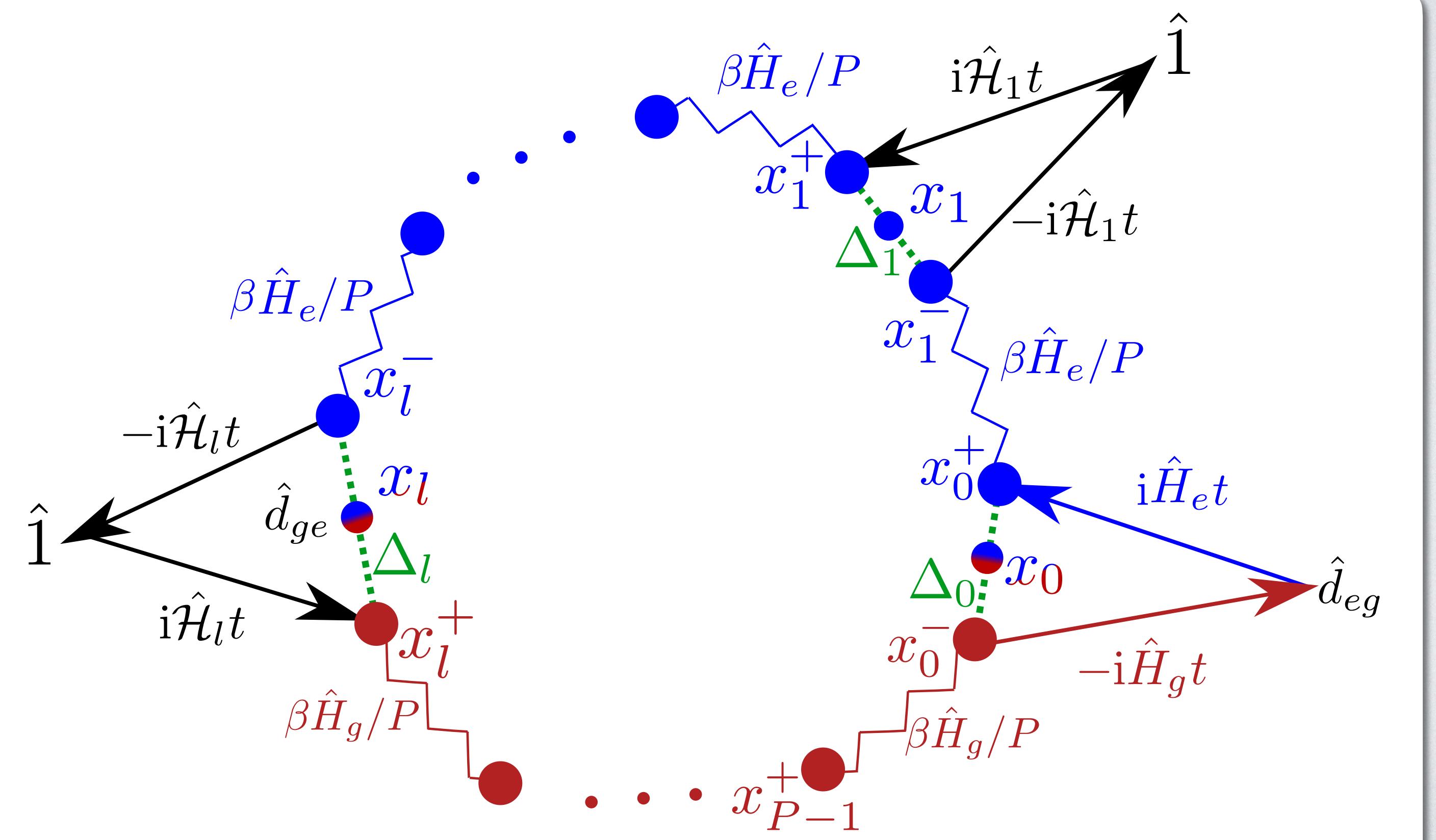
- only smooth imaginary-time paths contribute to TCF
- dynamics of smooth paths classical, but gives correct quantum statistics
- RPMD & centroid MD are limiting cases of Matsubara dynamics

- imaginary-time shifted TCF for electronic two-state problem (no weight function used!)

$$C_\lambda(t) = \frac{1}{Z} \text{tr}_{\text{vib}} [e^{-(\beta - \lambda)\hat{H}_g} \hat{d}_{ge} e^{-\lambda \hat{H}_e} e^{i\hat{H}_e t/\hbar} \hat{d}_{eg} e^{-i\hat{H}_g t/\hbar}]$$

- transformation to phase-space integral in spirit of path integrals

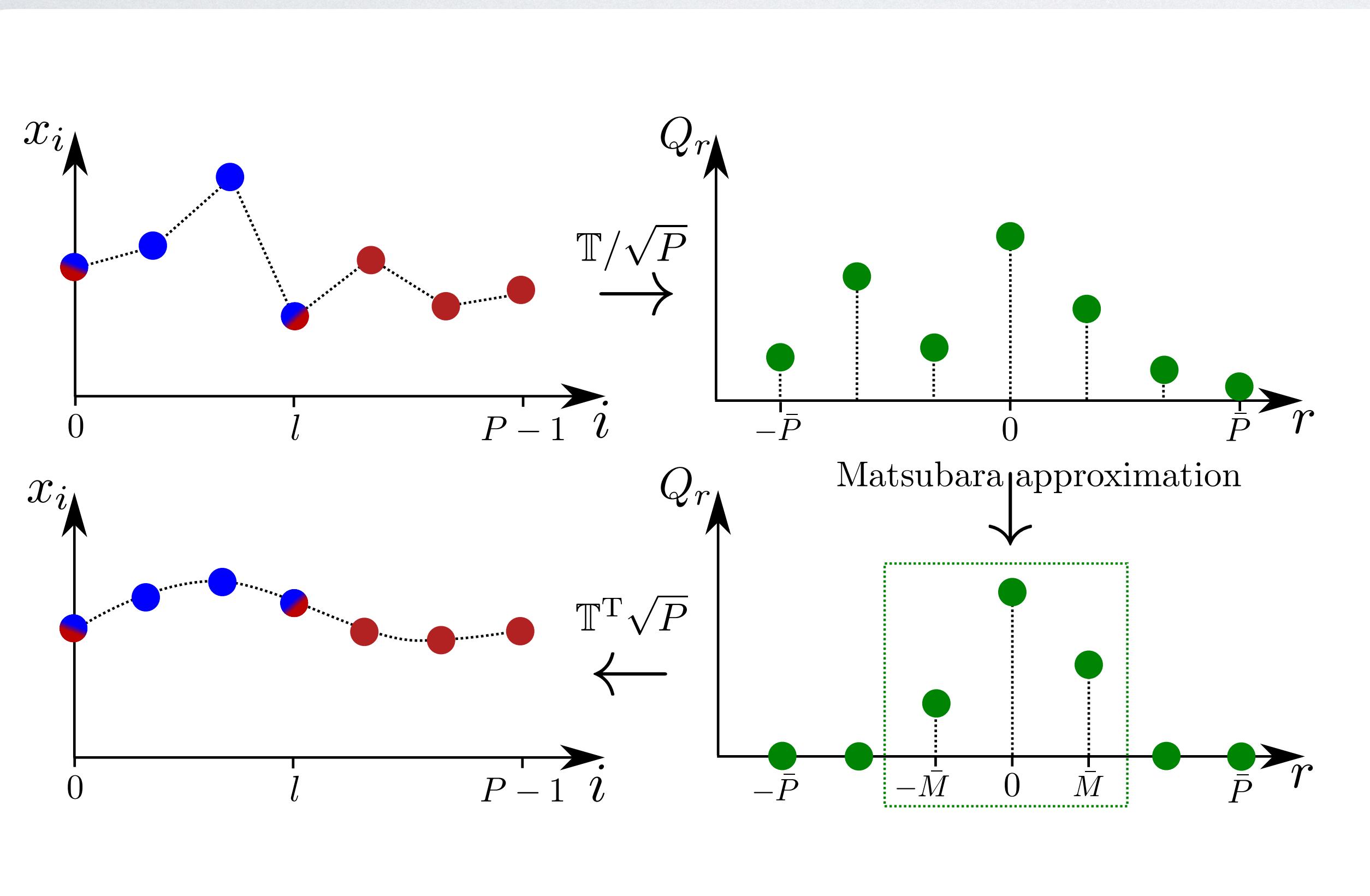
$$C_\lambda(t) = \int d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{p} A_l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) B_l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, t)$$



- time-independent part

$$A_l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{Z(2\pi\hbar)^P} \int d\Delta e^{i\mathbf{p}\Delta/\hbar} \frac{1}{2} [\hat{d}_{ge}(x_l^+) + \hat{d}_{ge}(x_l^-)] \prod_{i=l}^{P-1} \langle x_{i+1}^- | e^{-\beta\hat{H}_g/P} | x_i^+ \rangle \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} \langle x_{i+1}^- | e^{-\beta\hat{H}_e/P} | x_i^+ \rangle$$

- locally harmonic potentials w.r.t. distance between beads facilitates integration
- Matsubara approximation $M \ll P$ ($\bar{M} = (M - 1)/2$)



\mathbf{Q}, Π : normal modes of free-particle ring polymer

$$K_{\text{poly}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=0}^{P-1} \frac{P}{2\beta^2 \hbar^2} (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1})^T \mathbf{M} (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1})$$

- time-dependent part

$$B_l(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) = \int d\Delta e^{-i\mathbf{p}\Delta/\hbar} \prod_{i=0}^{P-1} \langle x_i^+ | e^{i\hat{\mathcal{H}}_i t/\hbar} \hat{\mathcal{O}}_i e^{-i\hat{\mathcal{H}}'_i t/\hbar} | x_i^- \rangle$$

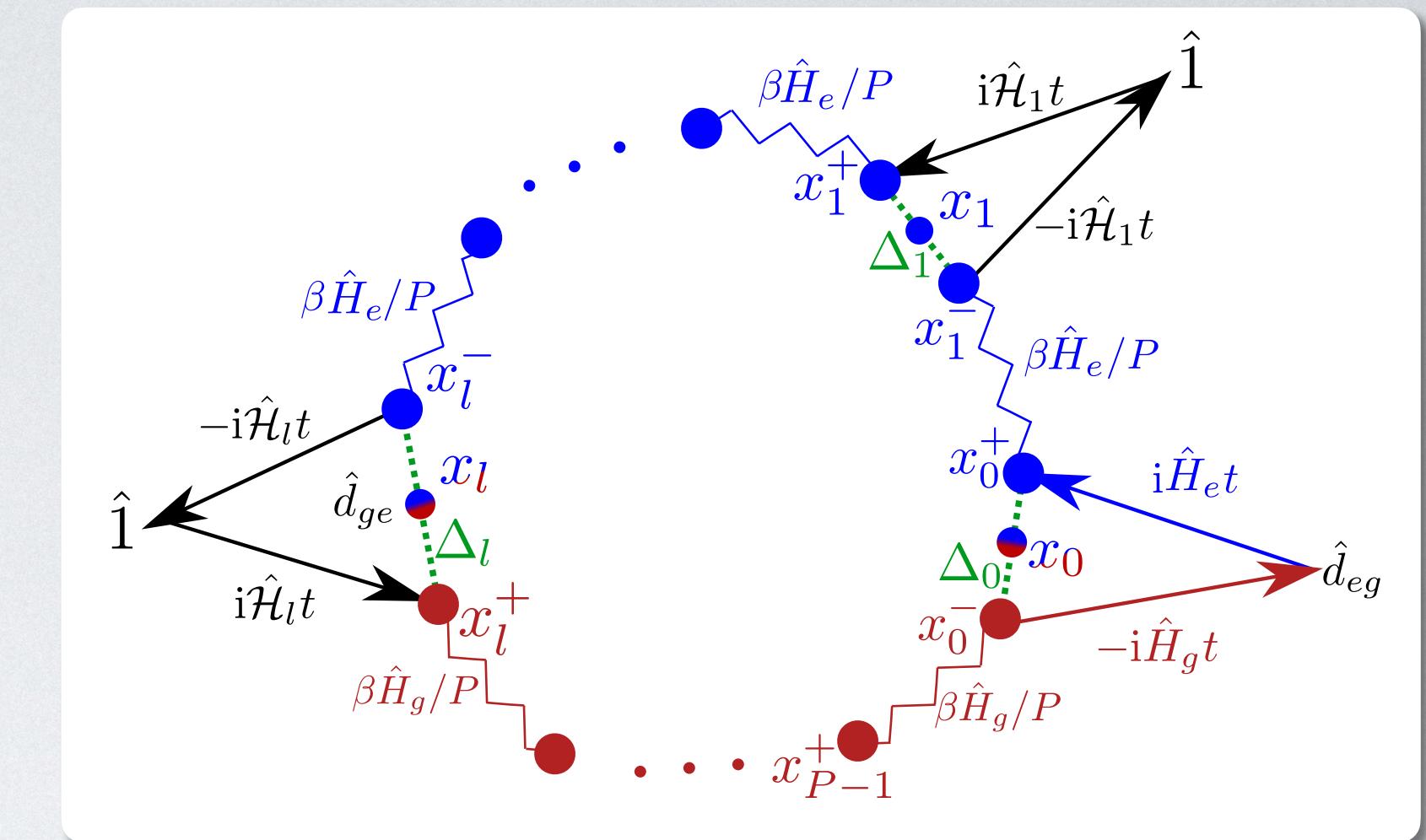
- time evolution w.r.t. full quantum Liouvillian
- trafo to Matsubara modes (plus sin/cos expansion) yields classical-like time evolution with phase factor

$$B_l(\mathbf{Q}, \Pi, t) = d_{eg}(x_0(t)) \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t d\tau [V_e(x_0(\tau)) - V_g(x_0(\tau))] \right\}$$

- Hamilton EOM to obtain $x_0(t) = x_0[\mathbf{Q}(t)]$

$$\dot{\mathbf{Q}} = \frac{1}{m} \Pi \quad \dot{\Pi} = -\nabla \mathcal{U}_l(\mathbf{Q})$$

- dynamics depends on choice of (arbitrary) Hamiltonians, here $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_i = (\hat{H}_g + \hat{H}_e)/2$



$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_i = \hat{1}, \forall i > 0 \quad \hat{\mathcal{O}}_0 = \hat{d}_{eg}$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}'_i = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_i, \forall i > 0 \quad \hat{\mathcal{H}}'_0 = \hat{H}_g, \hat{\mathcal{H}}_0 = \hat{H}_e$$

- TCF in Matsubara approximation

$$C_{\lambda_l}(t) \propto \int d\mathbf{Q} d\Pi e^{-\beta[H_l(\Pi, \mathbf{Q}) + i\Pi^T \Omega \mathbf{Q}]} d_{ge}(x_l(\mathbf{Q})) B_l(\Pi, \mathbf{Q}, t)$$

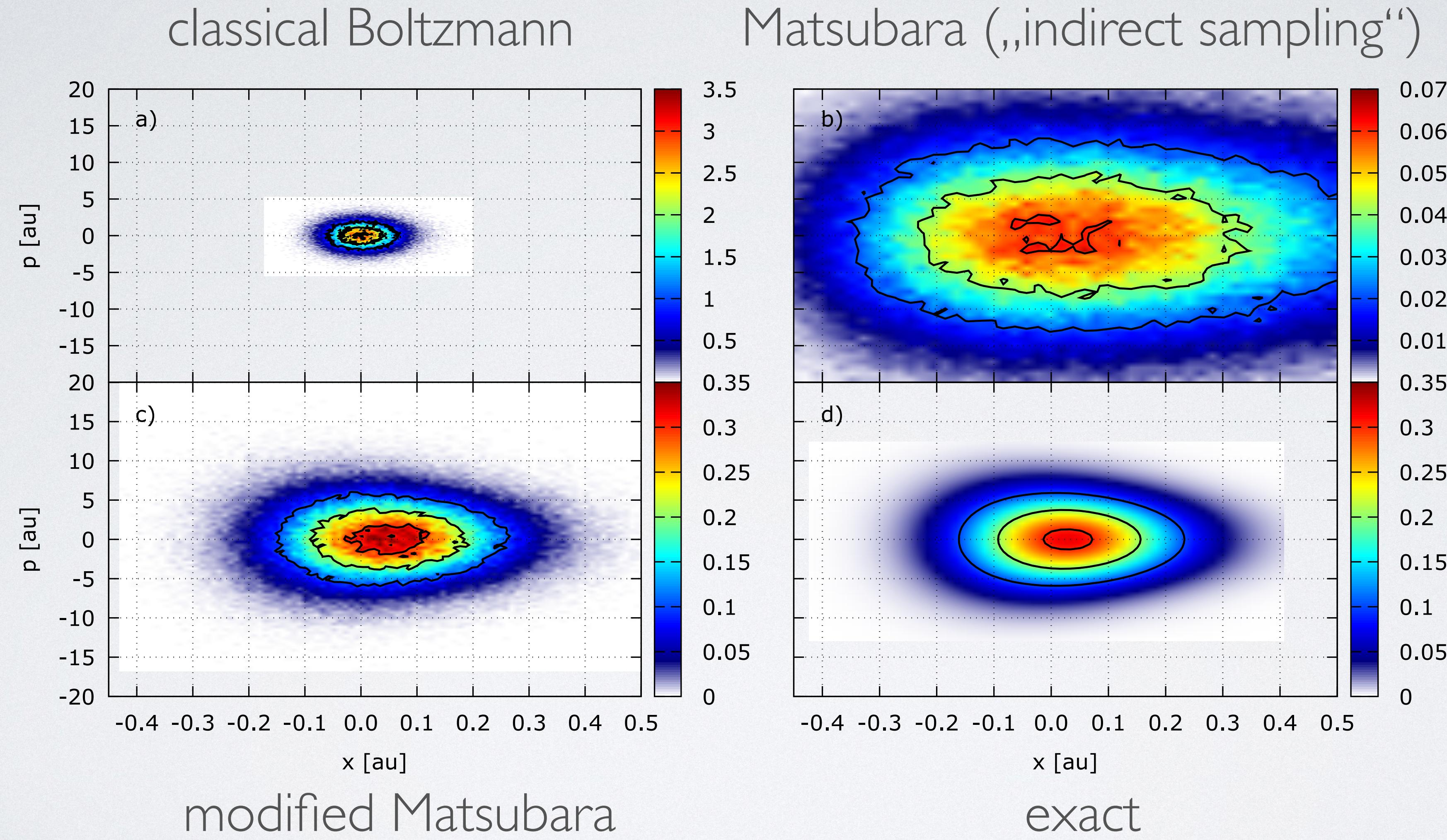
$$[\Omega]_{rs} = \frac{2\pi r}{\beta\hbar} \delta_{r,-s}$$

- difficult to converge due to 'sign problem'
- modified Matsubara method
 - ad hoc modification of Matsubara density
 - exact for harmonic case and $\lambda = 0$ ($\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{Q})$: ground state Hessian)

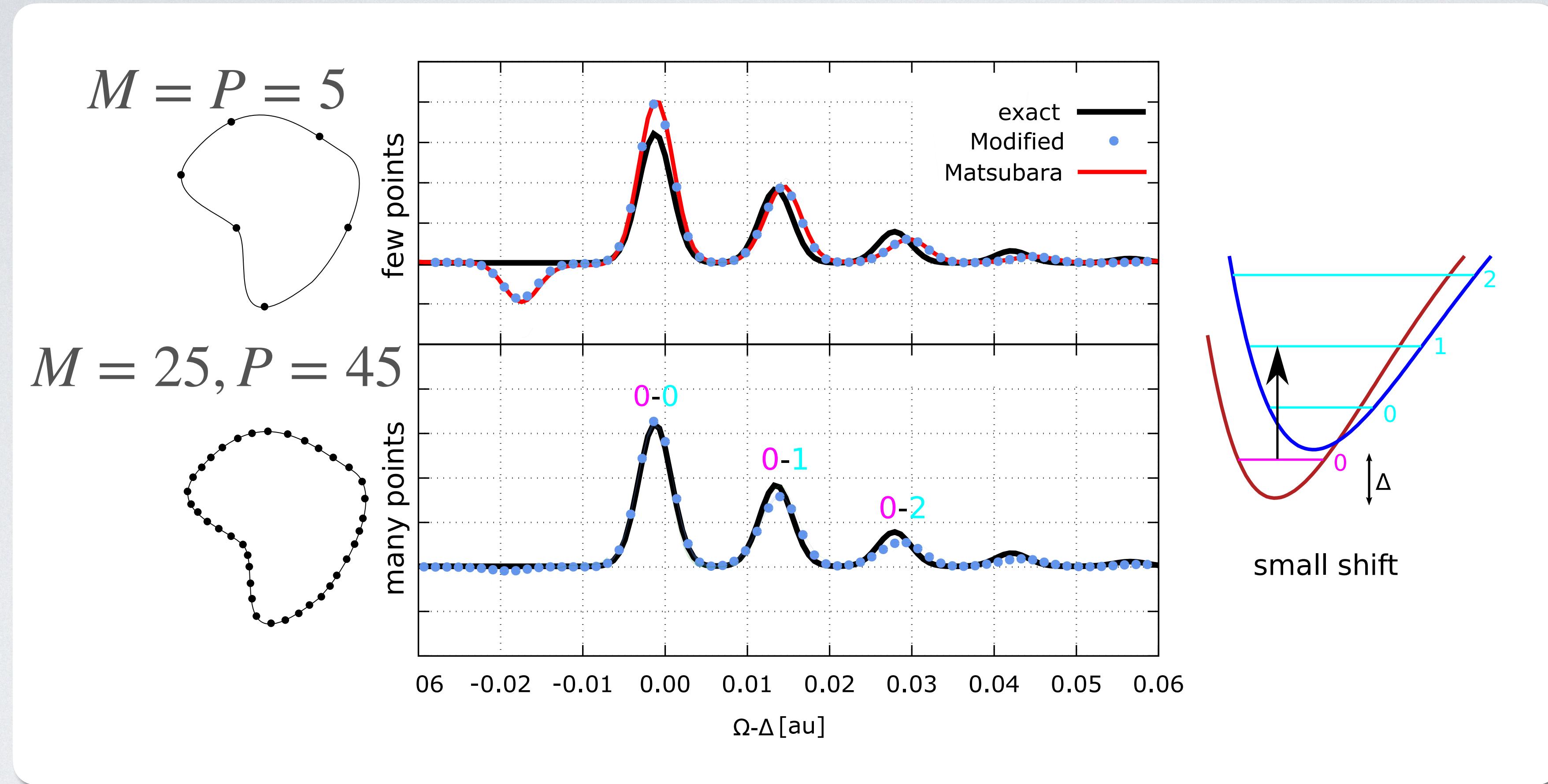
$$i\Pi^T \Omega \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2m} \Pi^T \Omega^T \mathbf{K}^{-1} \Omega \Pi + \frac{m}{2} \mathbf{Q}^T \Omega^T \Omega \mathbf{Q}$$

- can be extended to anharmonic systems using (kind of) local harmonic approximation along imaginary time path
 - problems expected for vanishing or negative curvature

- anharmonic phase space probability densities (quartic potential)

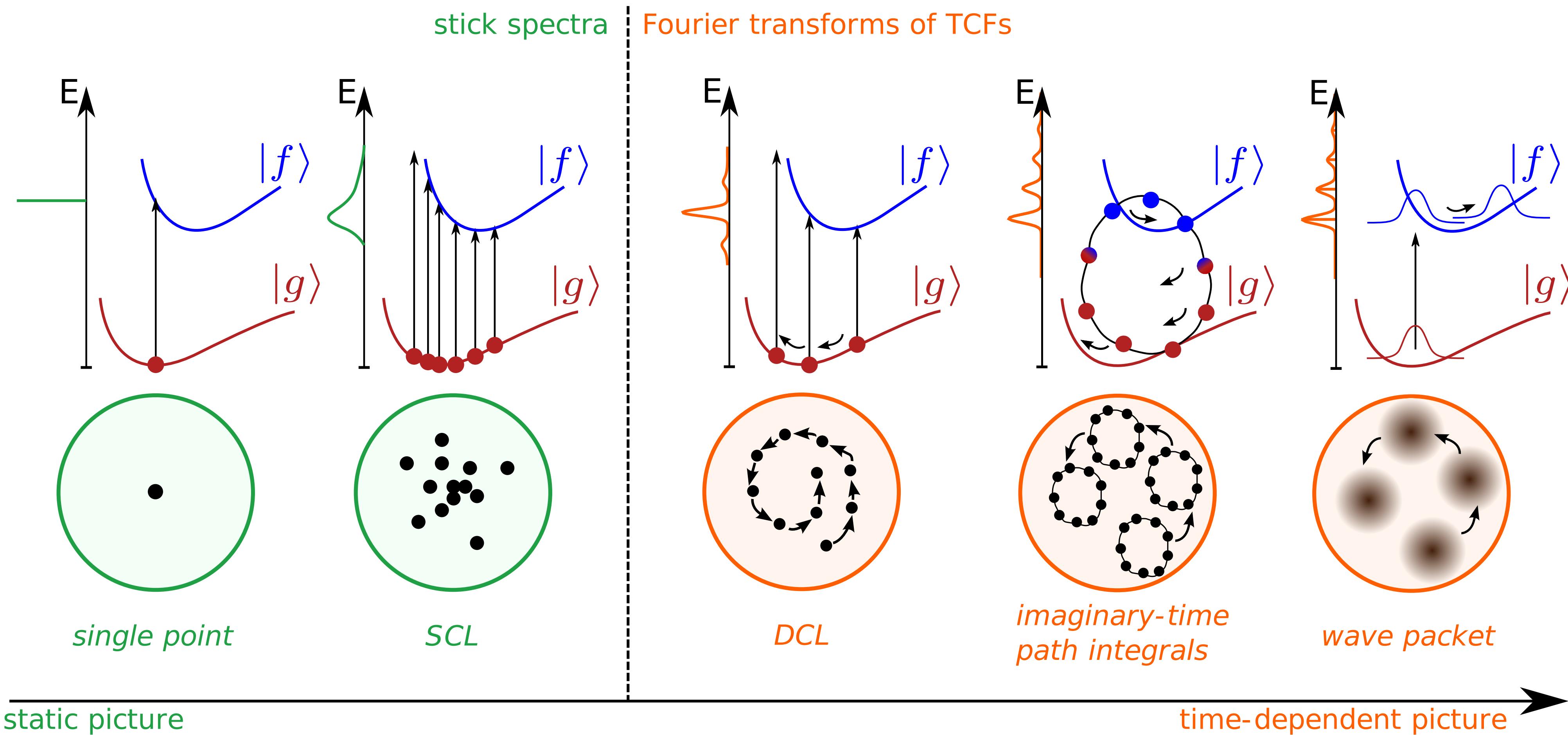


- performance of modified Matsubara method



- few points: Matsubara and its modification coincide ($10 \times$ more trajectories in former case)
- many points: Matsubara doesn't converge, modified remarkable accurate

SUMMARY



OPEN QUESTIONS

- generalized TCF gives possibility to generate an infinite number of new TCFs
 - ▶ What's the best strategy for optimal choice of weight function?
- modified Matsubara method showed remarkable accuracy even for anharmonic systems
 - ▶ Why it works at all and what are the conditions under which it will fail?
- How to marry generalized TCFs and modified Matsubara?
- extension to nonlinear spectroscopy
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Thanks for your attention!