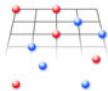


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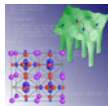
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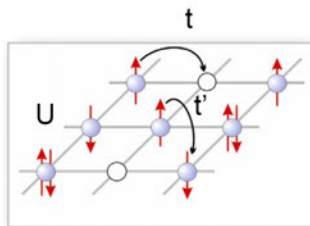
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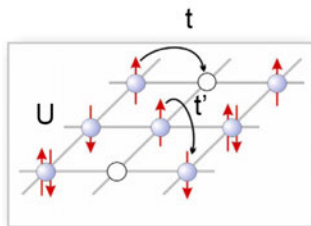
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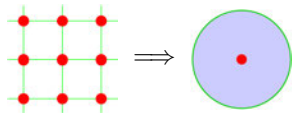
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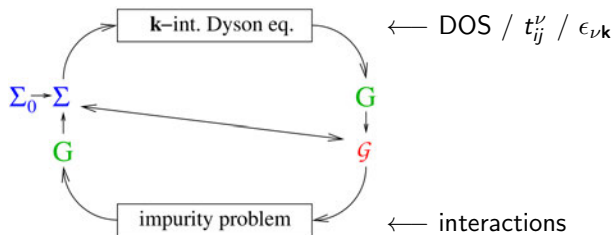
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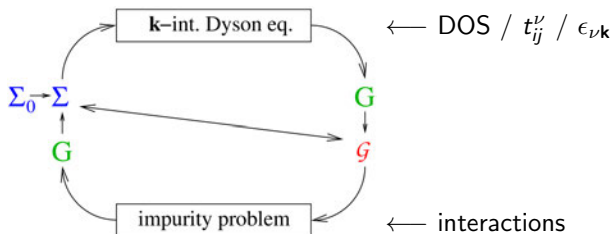
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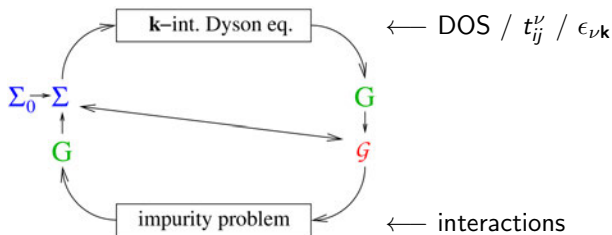
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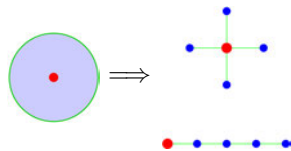
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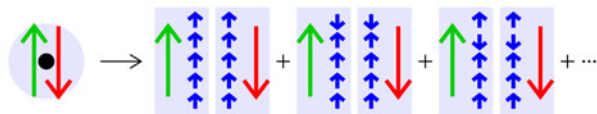
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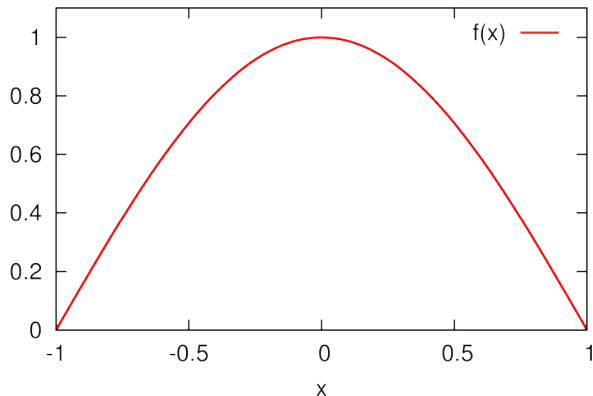
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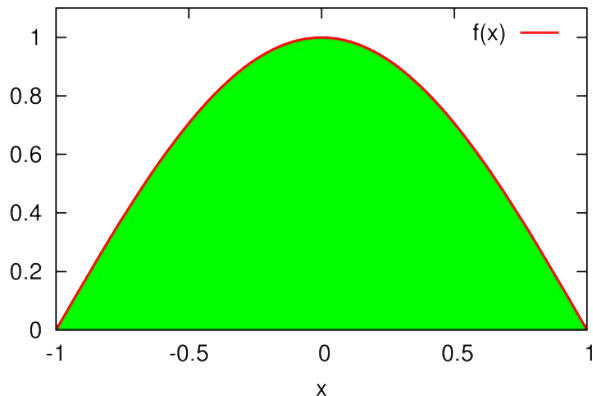
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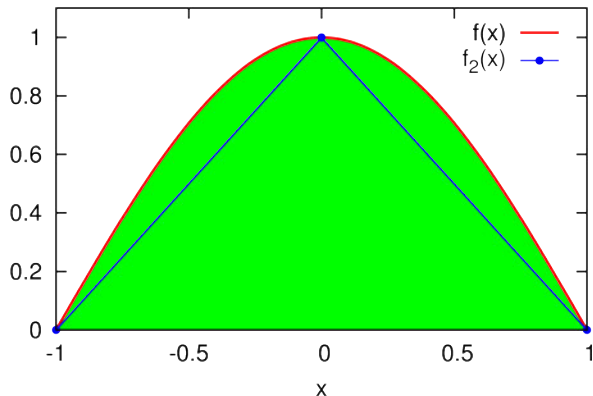


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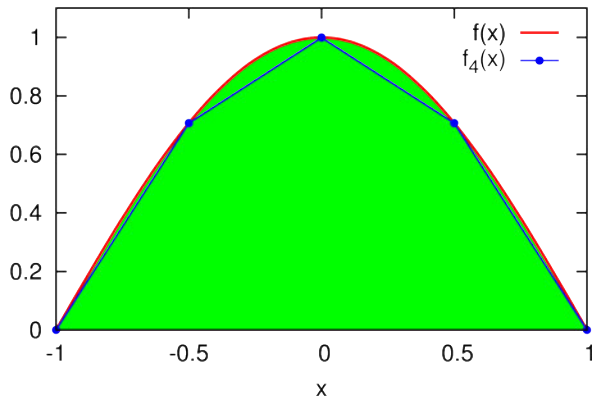
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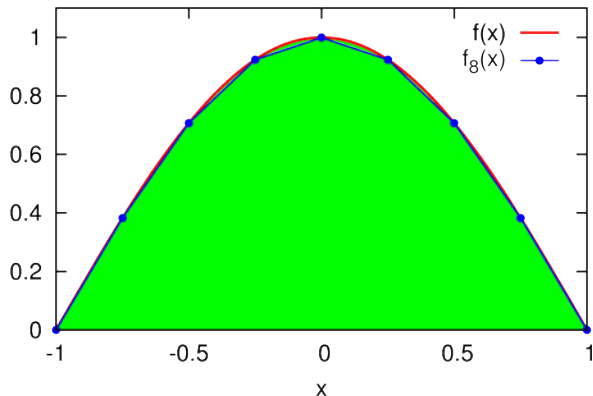
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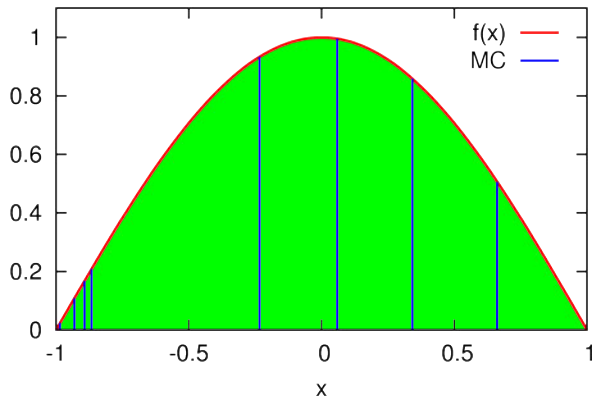
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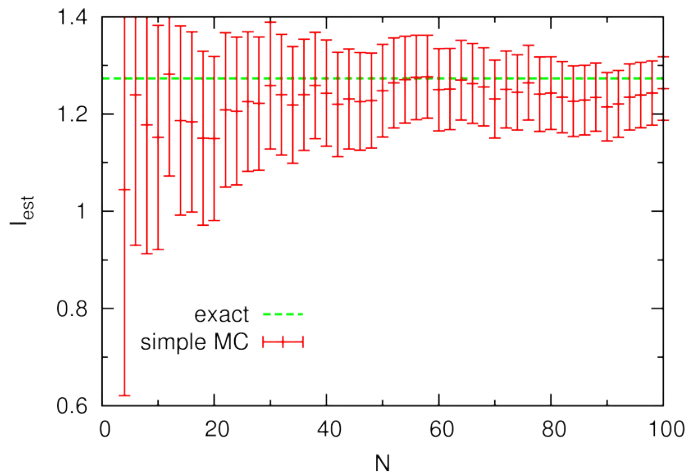


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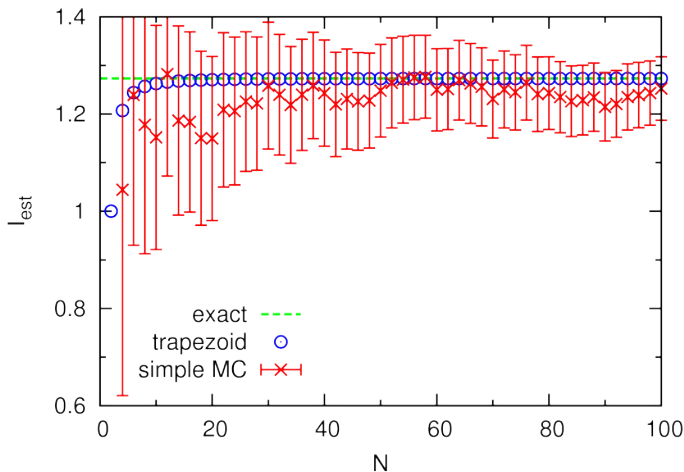
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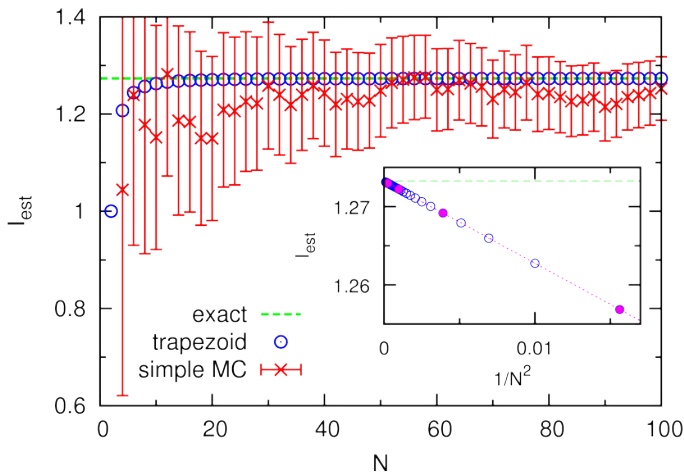
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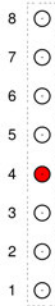
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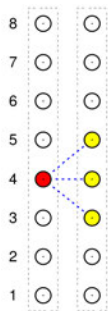
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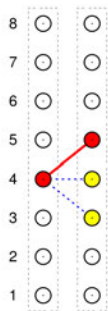
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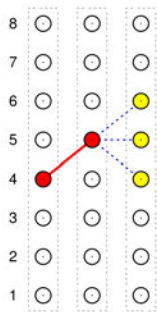
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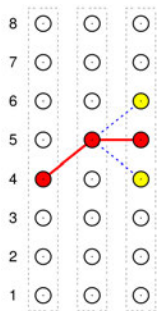
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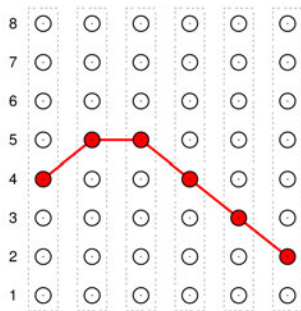
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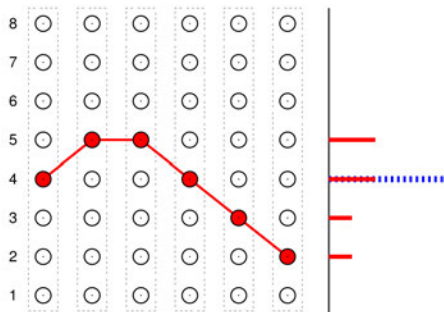
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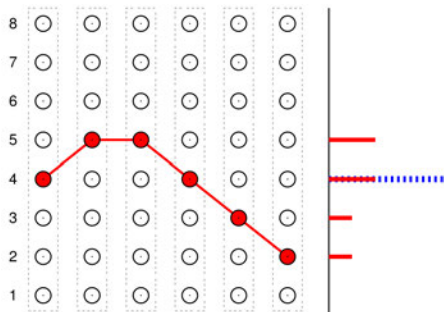
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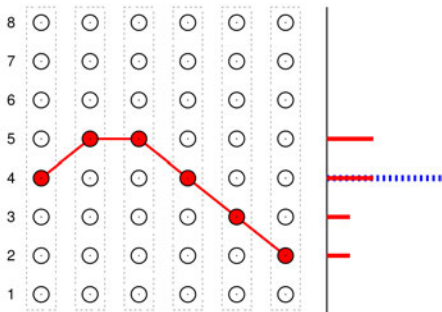
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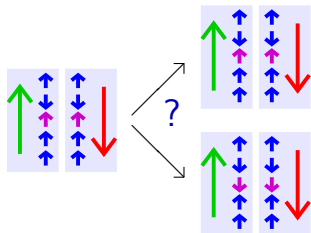


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Metropolis acceptance probability:

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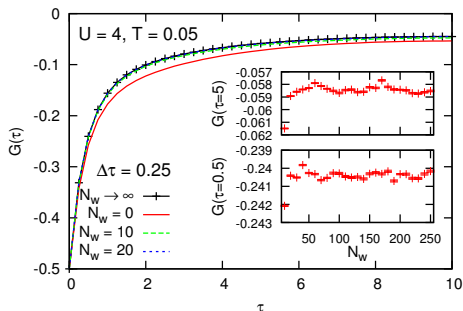
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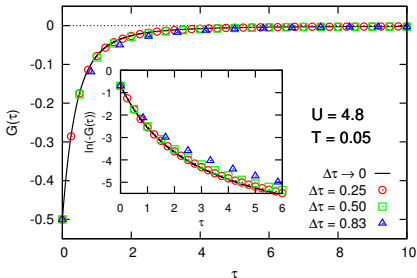
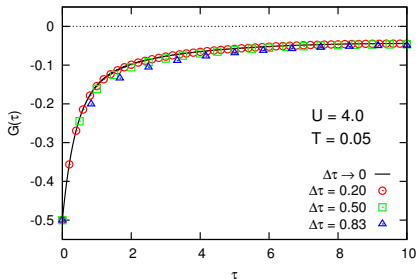
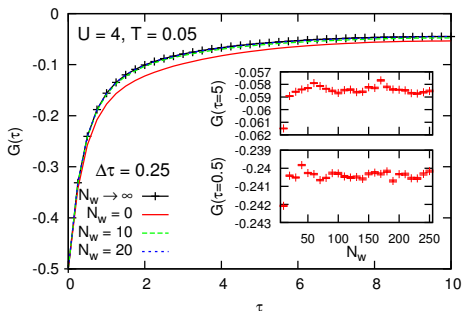
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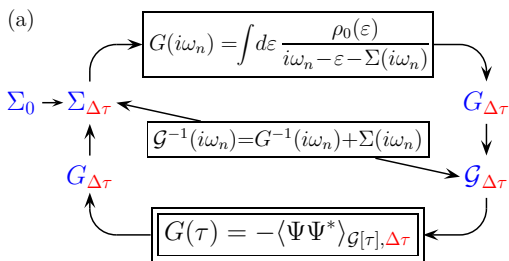


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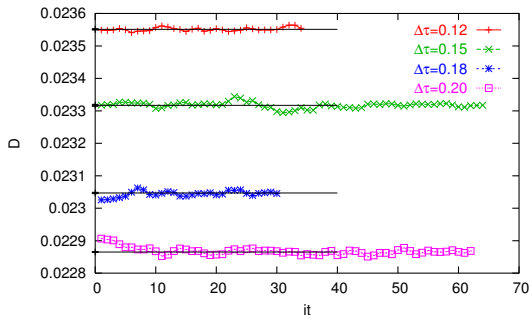
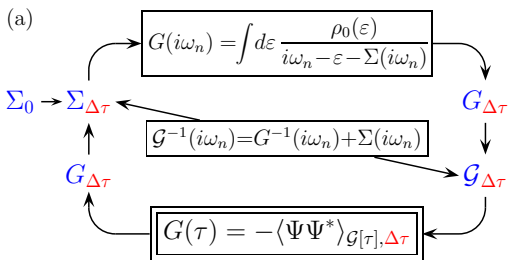
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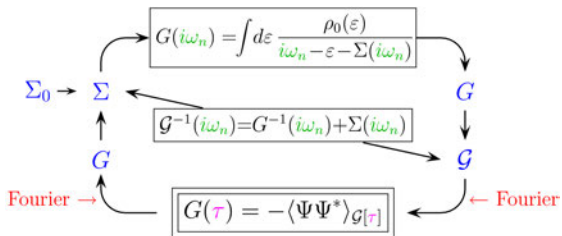
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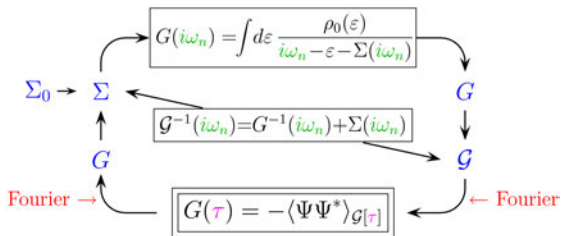
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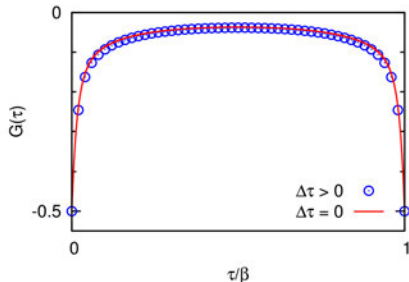


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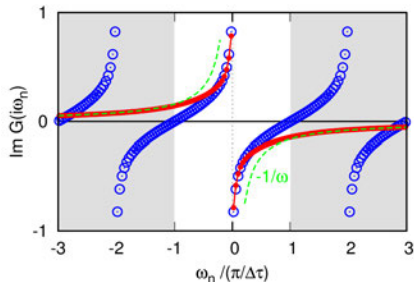
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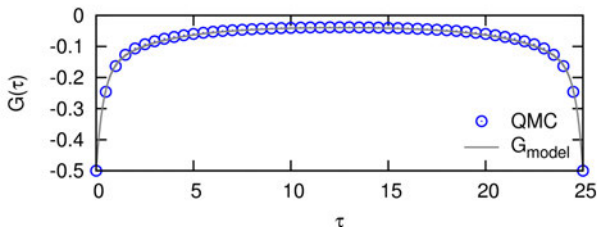
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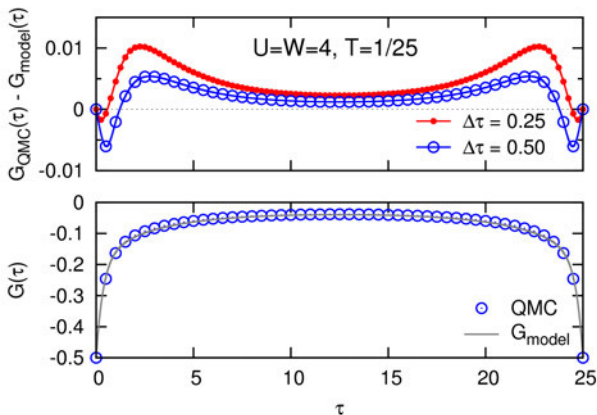


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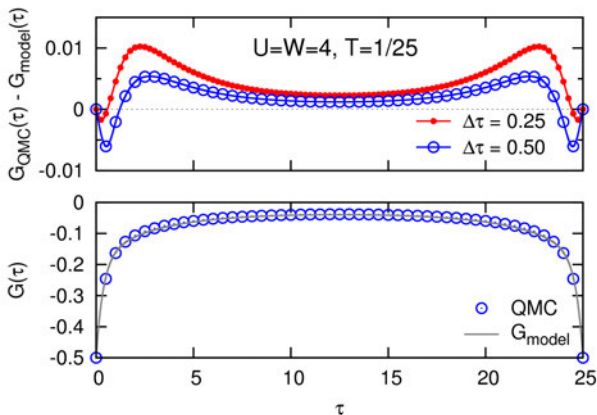


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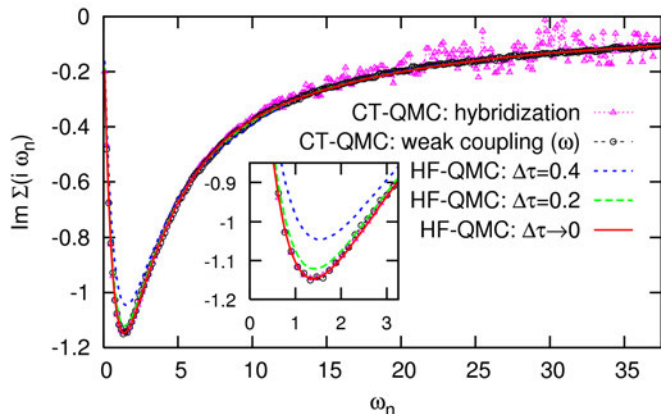
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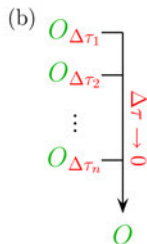
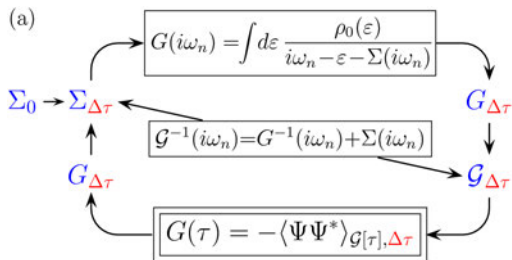
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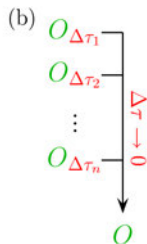
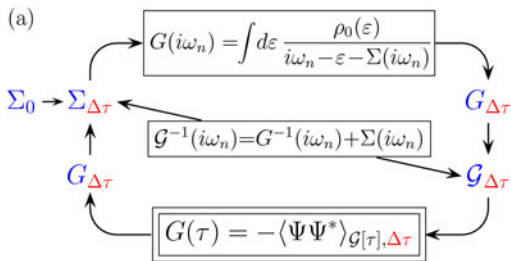
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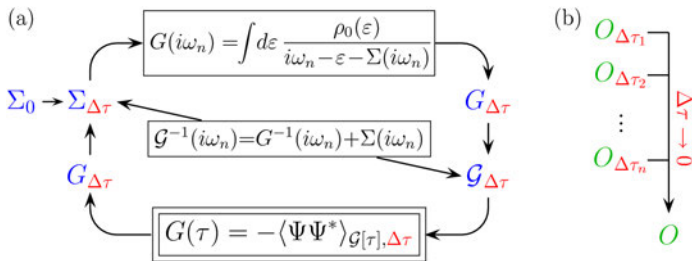
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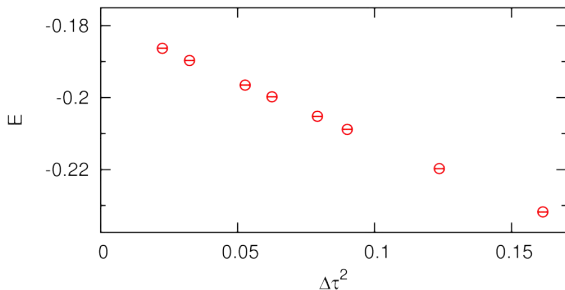
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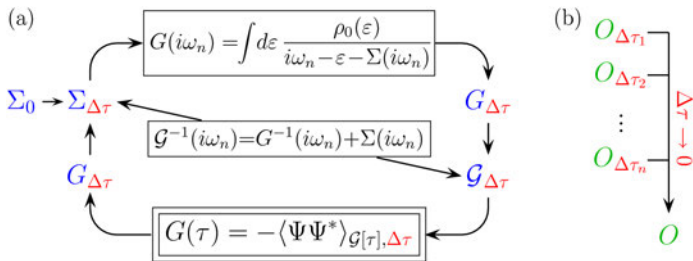
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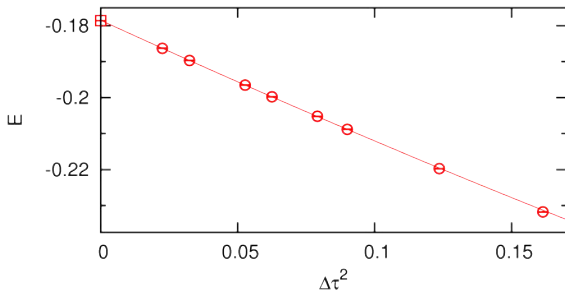
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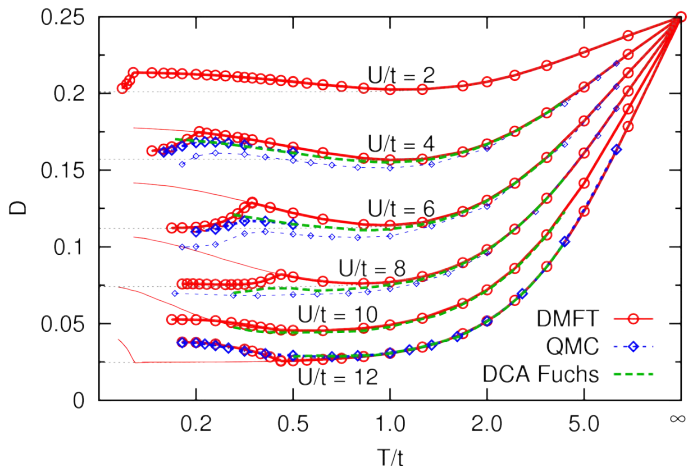


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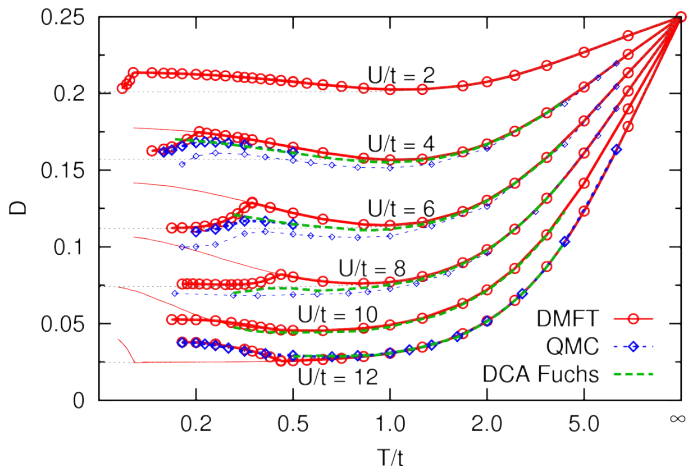
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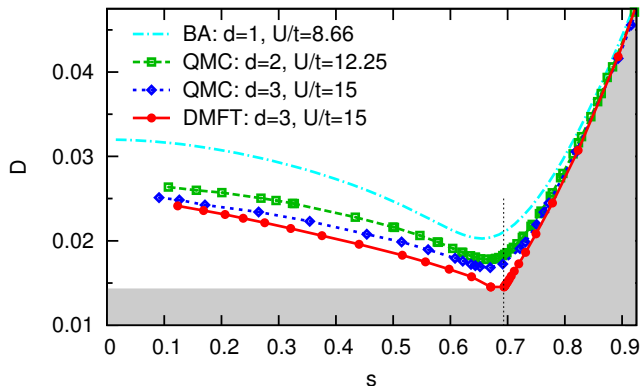
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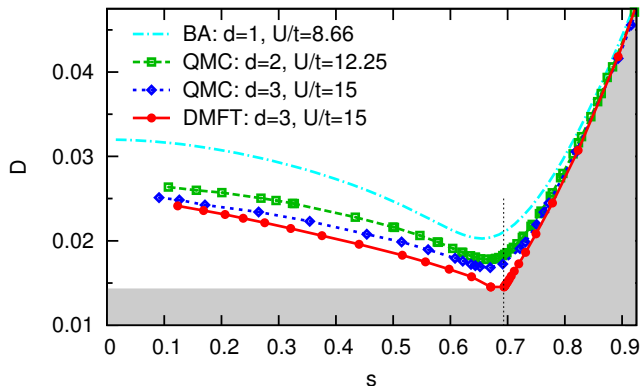
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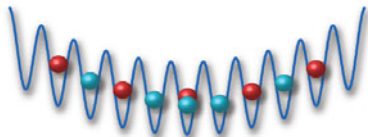
No features seen at  $d = 3$  Néel transition ( $s_N \approx \log(2)/2$ )



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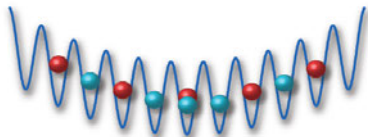
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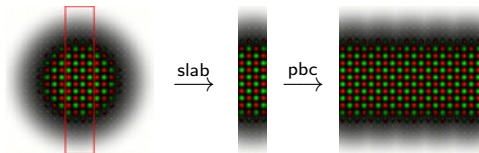
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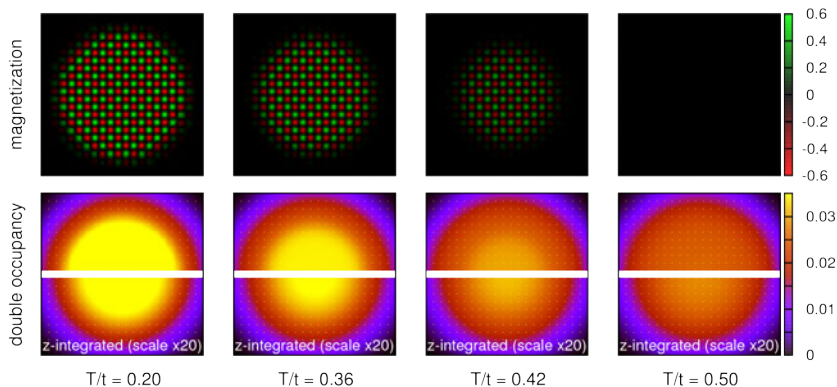
Here: HF-QMC (cost  $\propto T^{-3}$ )

“slab method” + pbc

$\sim$  exact for  $\mathcal{O}(10^5)$  atoms



# Results: RDMFT-QMC (cubic lattice, $V = 0.05t$ , $U = W = 12t$ )



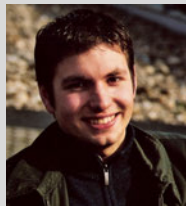
Proposal: enhanced double occupancy (i.e. interaction energy) as a signature of antiferromagnetic order at strong coupling

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# Tutorial: study Mott metal-insulator transition using HF-QMC



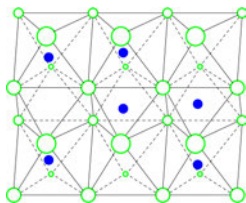
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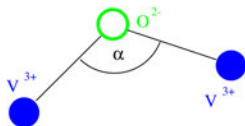


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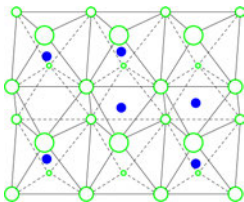


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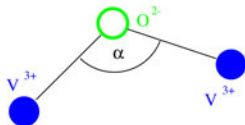


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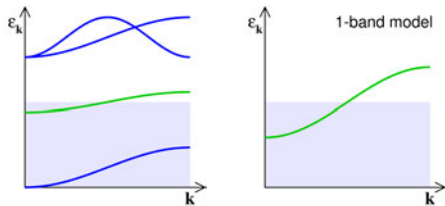
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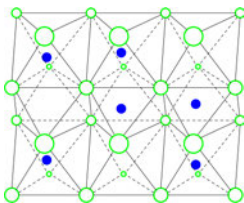


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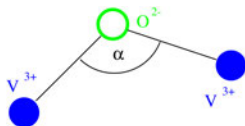


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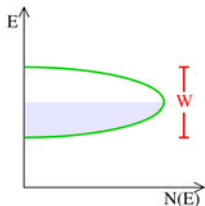
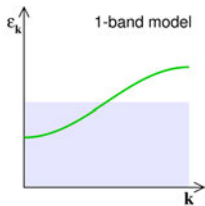
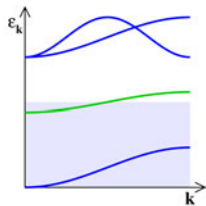
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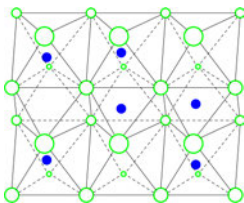
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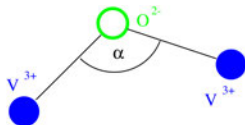


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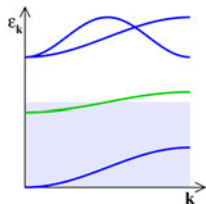
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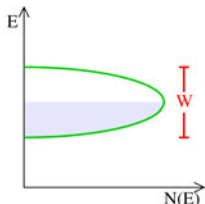
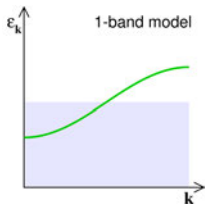
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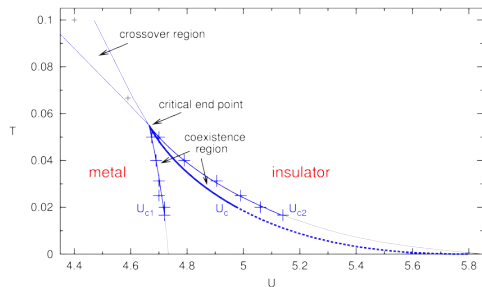


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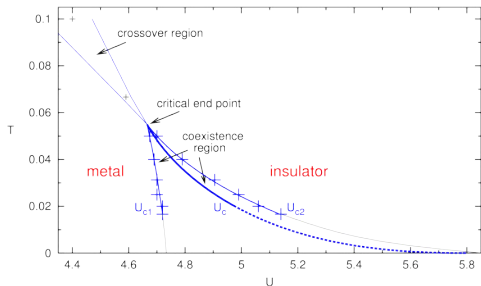
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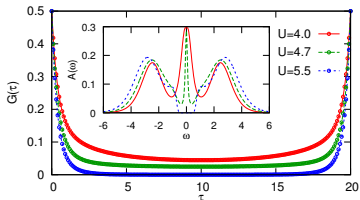
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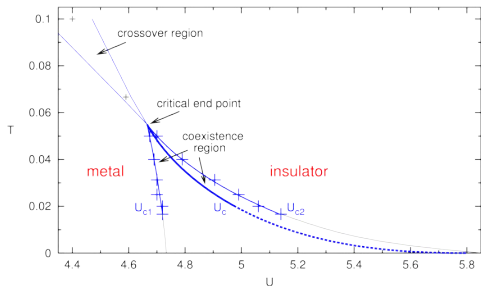


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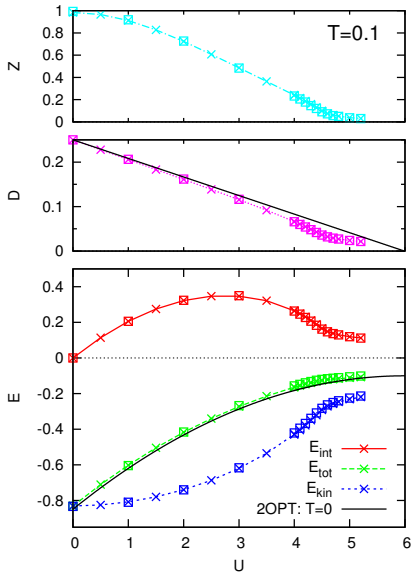
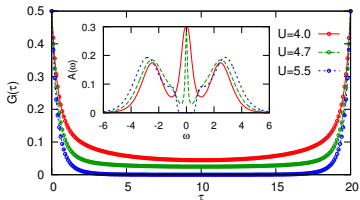
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# DMFT+HF-QMC Tutorial

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## Task: Find and explore MIT (Bethe lattice, paramagnetic case)

0. In your home directory create a symbolic link to the **bin** folder containing all the [executables and scripts](#) for this Tutorial:  
**ln -s /home/bluemer/bin**
1. Perform [DMFT calculations](#) for  $T = 0.04$ , fixed value of  $\Delta\tau = 0.2$ , and  $U = 3.5, 4, 4.5, 4.7, 4.8, 5, 5.5$ 
  - in a series with increasing interaction values
  - in a series with decreasing interaction values
2. [Extract observables](#):
  - i. double occupancy  $D(U)$
  - ii. quasiparticle weight  $Z(U) = (1 - \text{Im}\Sigma(\omega_1)/\omega_1)^{-1}$
3. Check convergency with  $D$  and/or  $Z$
4. [Compute spectra](#) (using MaxEnt)
5. Explore the dependence of the results on the imaginary time discretization  $\Delta\tau$ :
  - i. For one of the  $U$  values perform calculations for a set of  $\Delta\tau$  values.
  - ii. Plot double occupancy as a function of  $\Delta\tau^2$
  - iii. Perform  $\Delta\tau \rightarrow 0$  extrapolation

**Hint:** you may use the provided [scripts](#) to create input files and extract observables.