

Hubbard dimer in GW and beyond

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Plan of the lecture

● Notation

● Theoretical Background: the GW approximation and beyond

- GW (self-screening and incorrect atomic limit)
- Corrections to GW (T matrix)

● The Hubbard dimer

- Exact solution
- GW solution
- T-matrix solution

Notation

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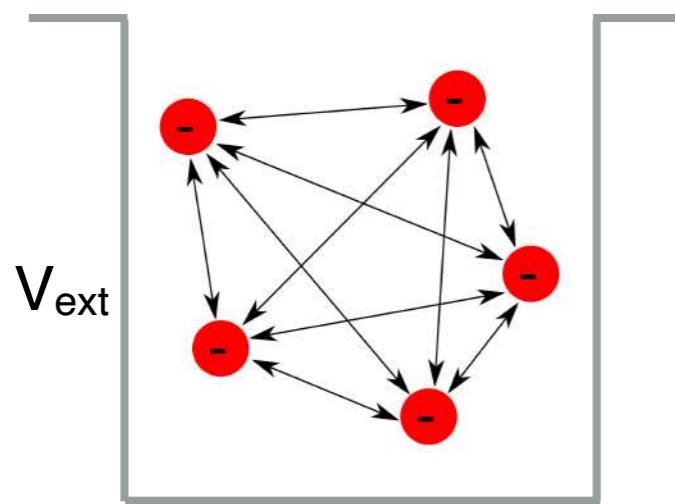
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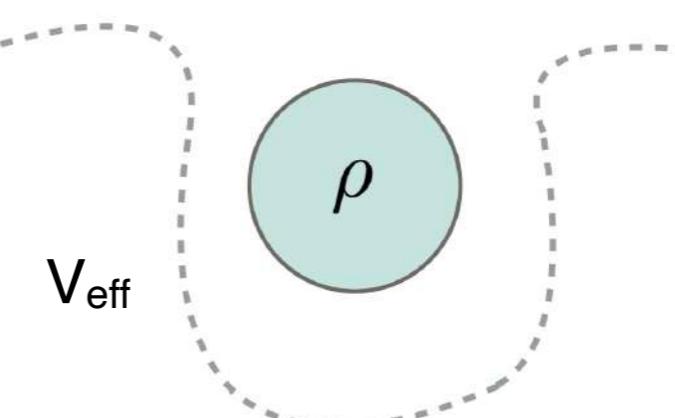
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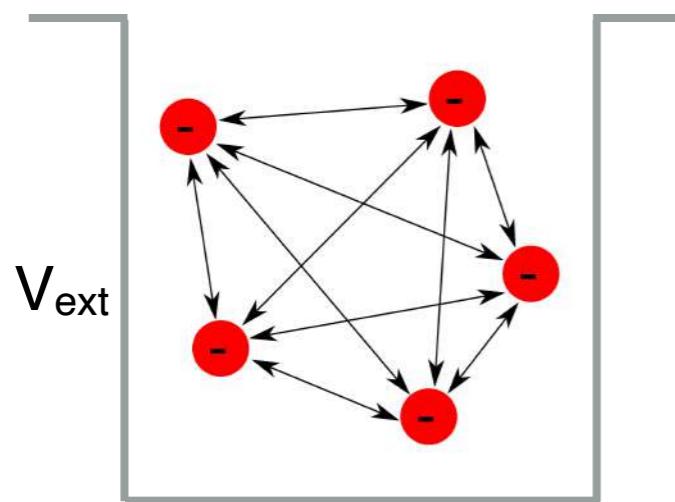


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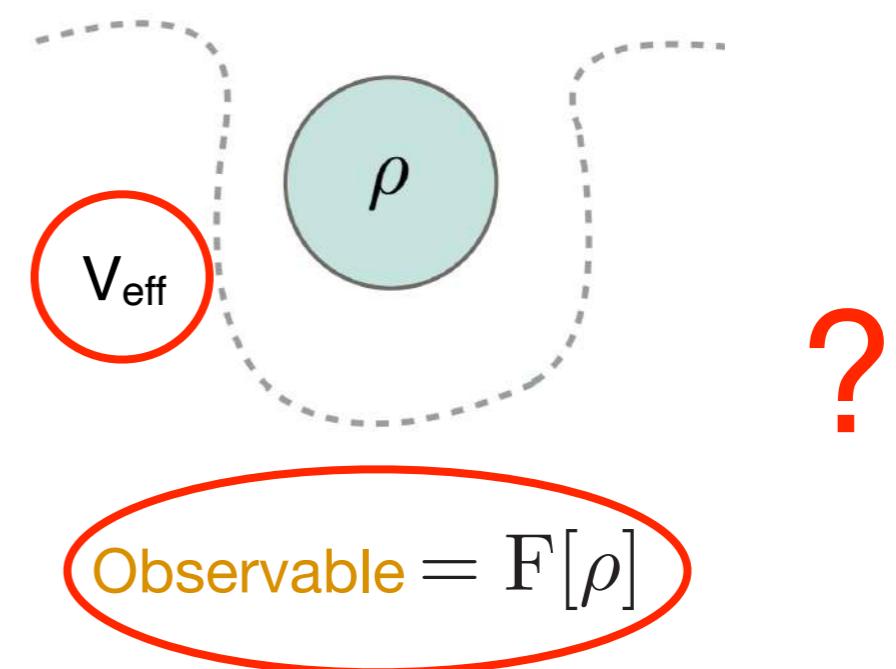
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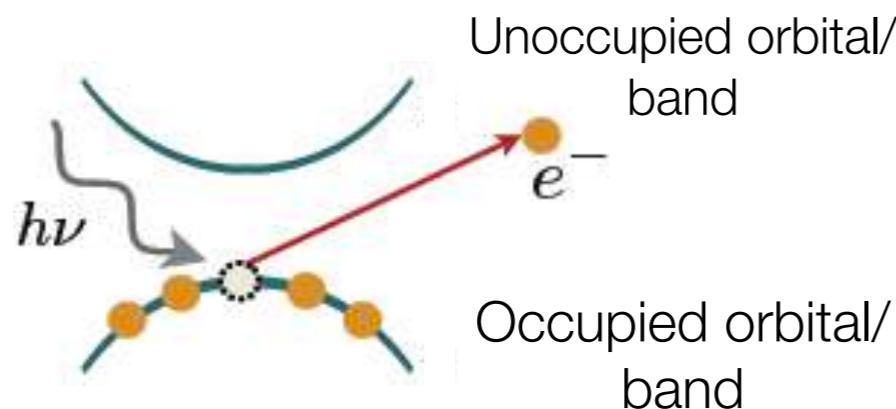
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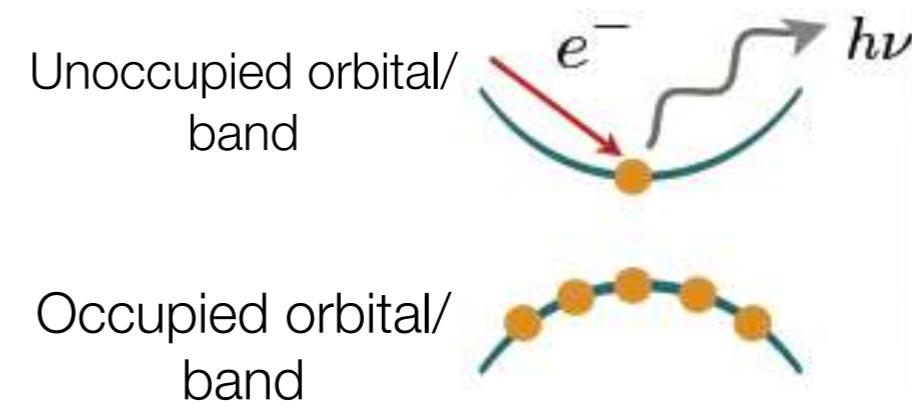
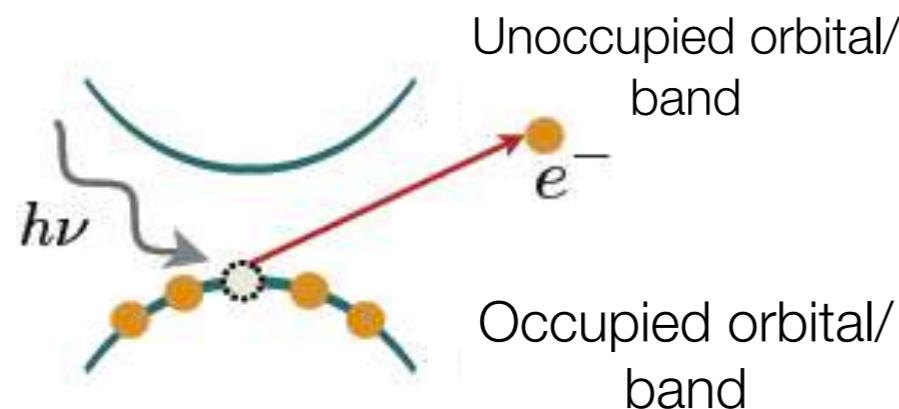
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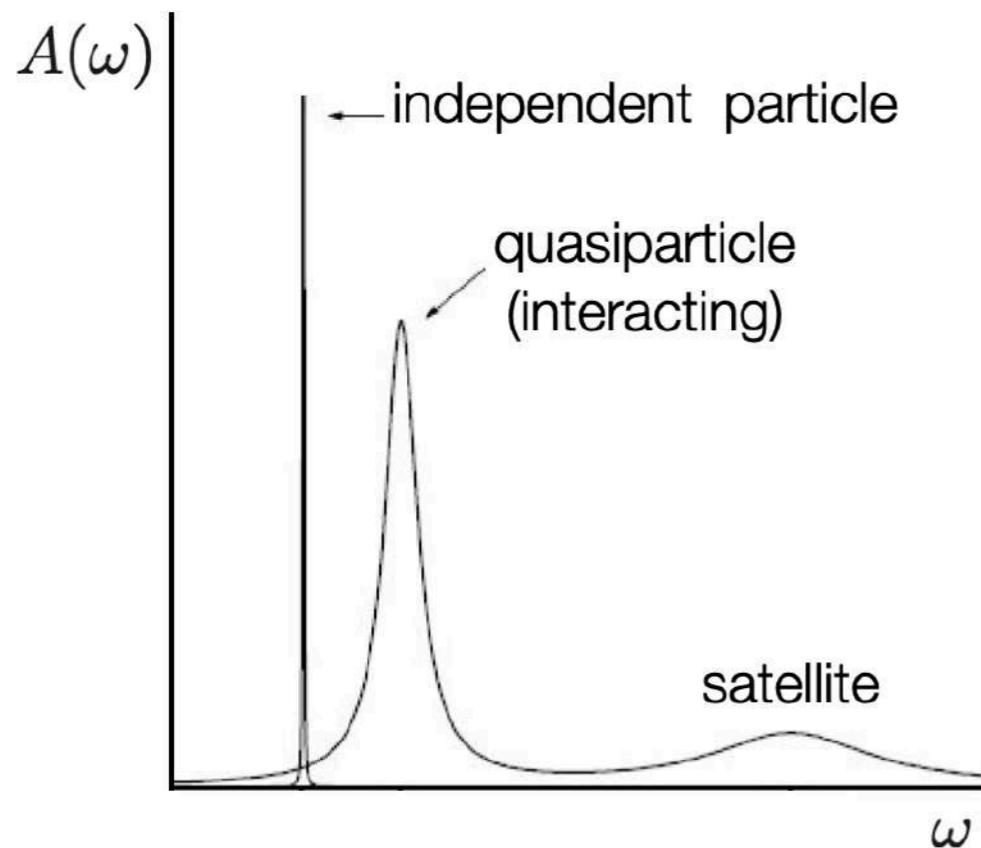
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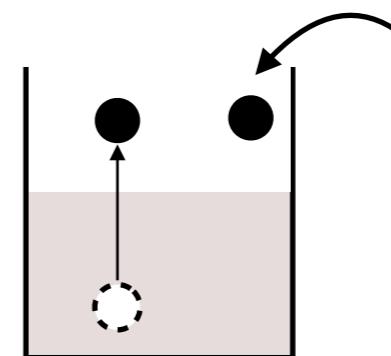
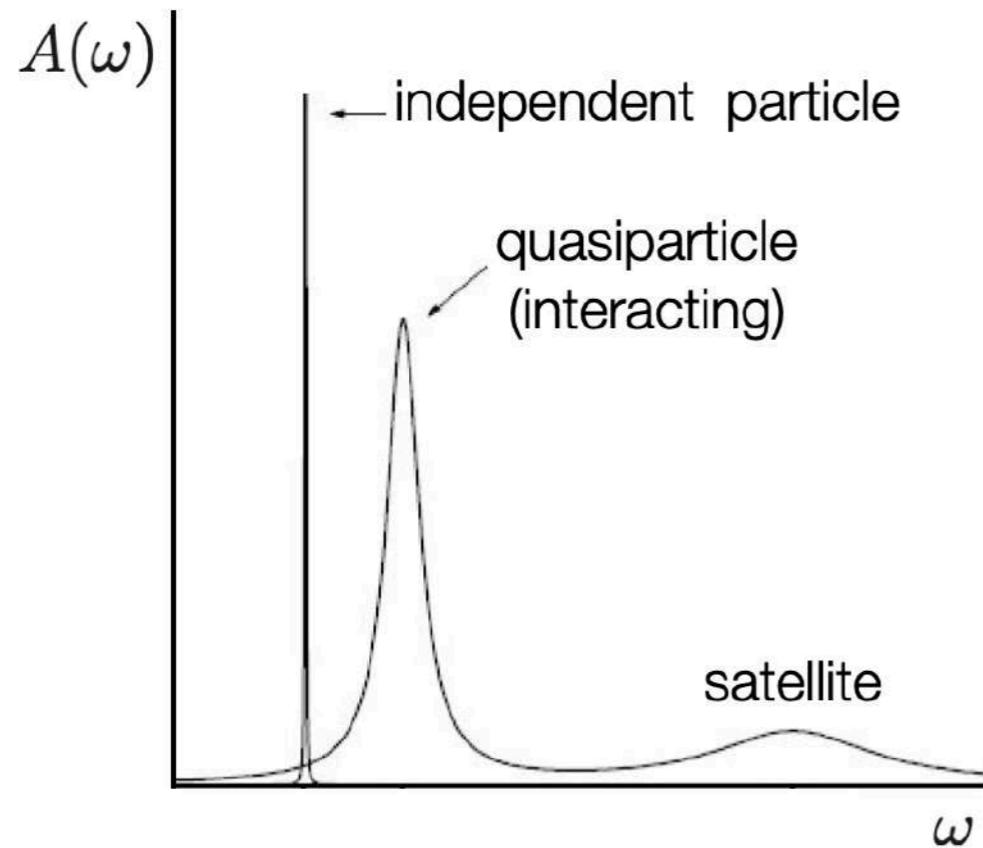
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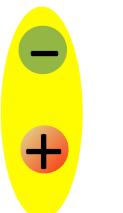
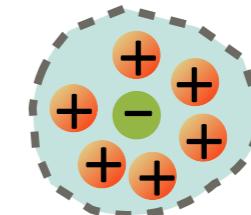
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quasiparticles
satellites (e.g., neutral excitations)



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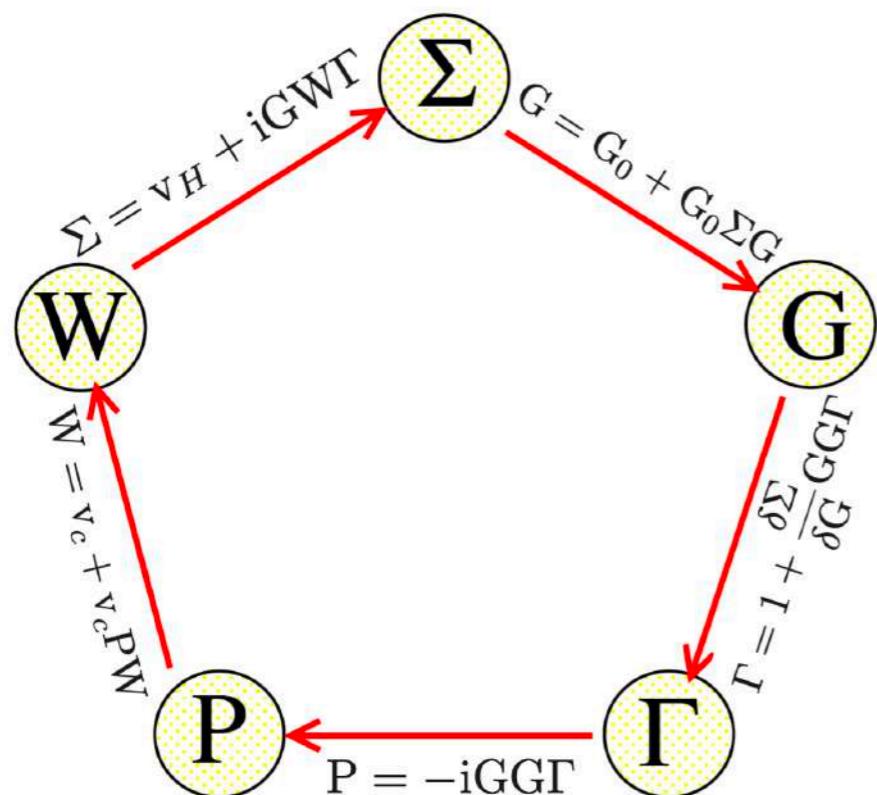
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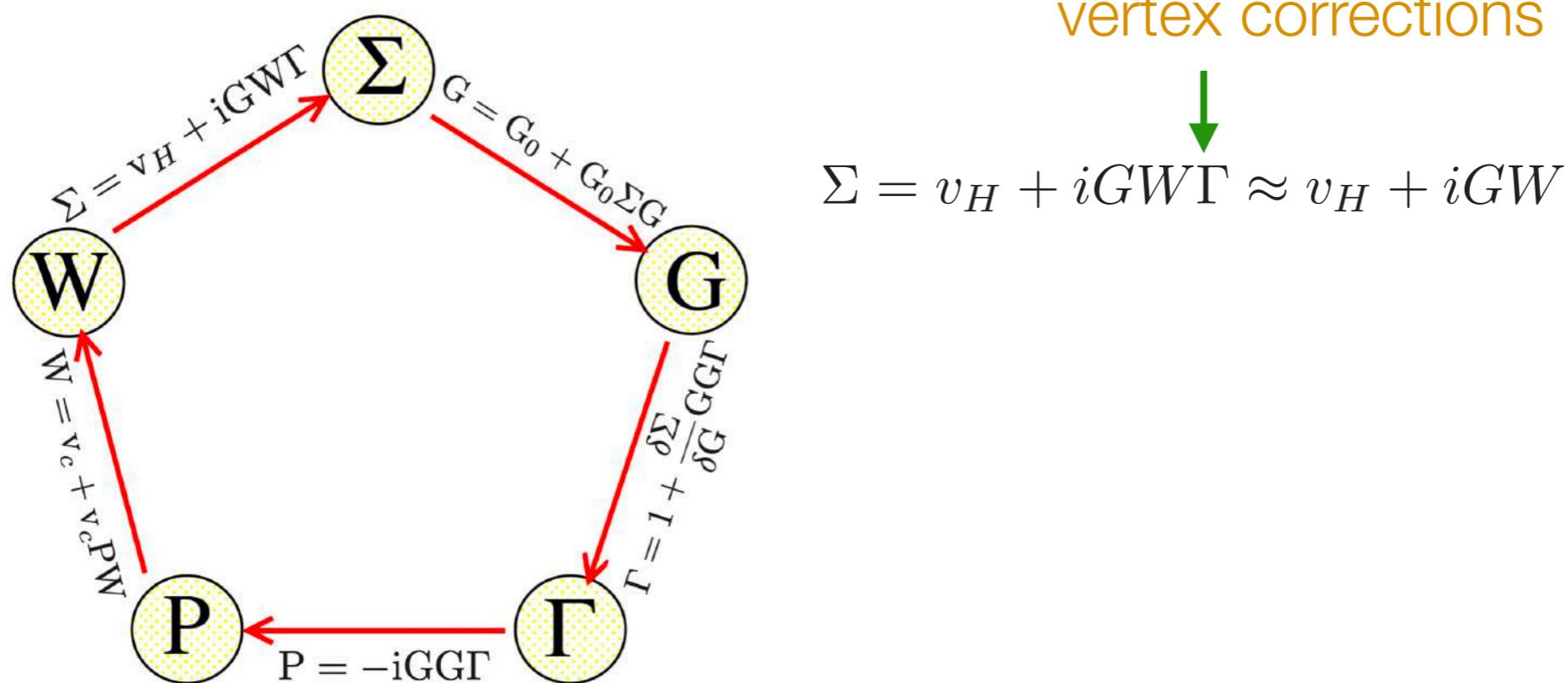


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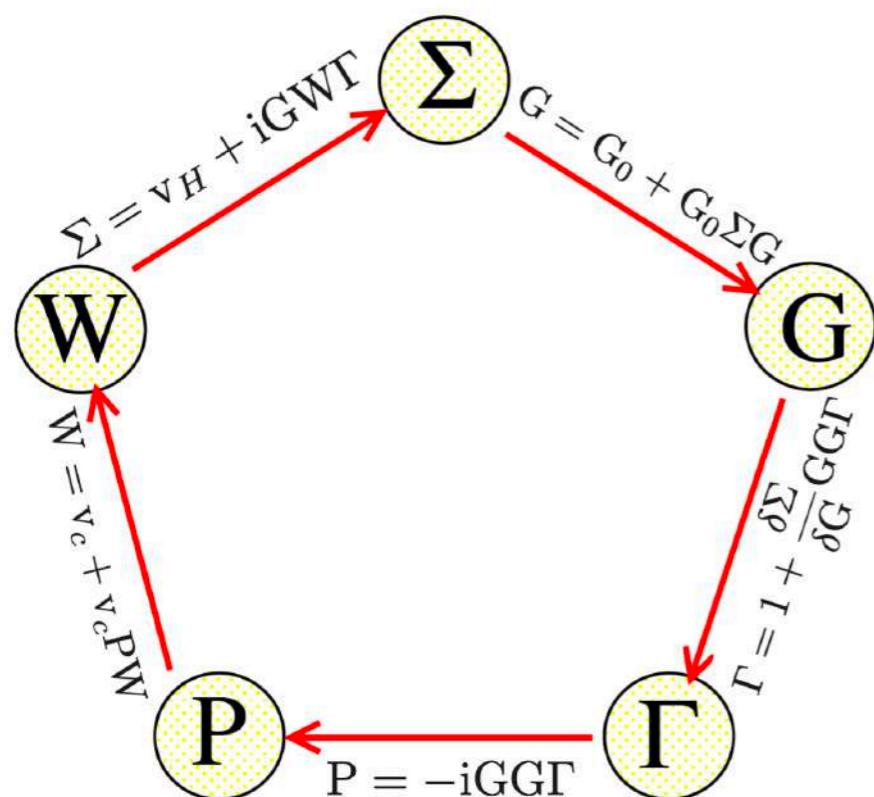


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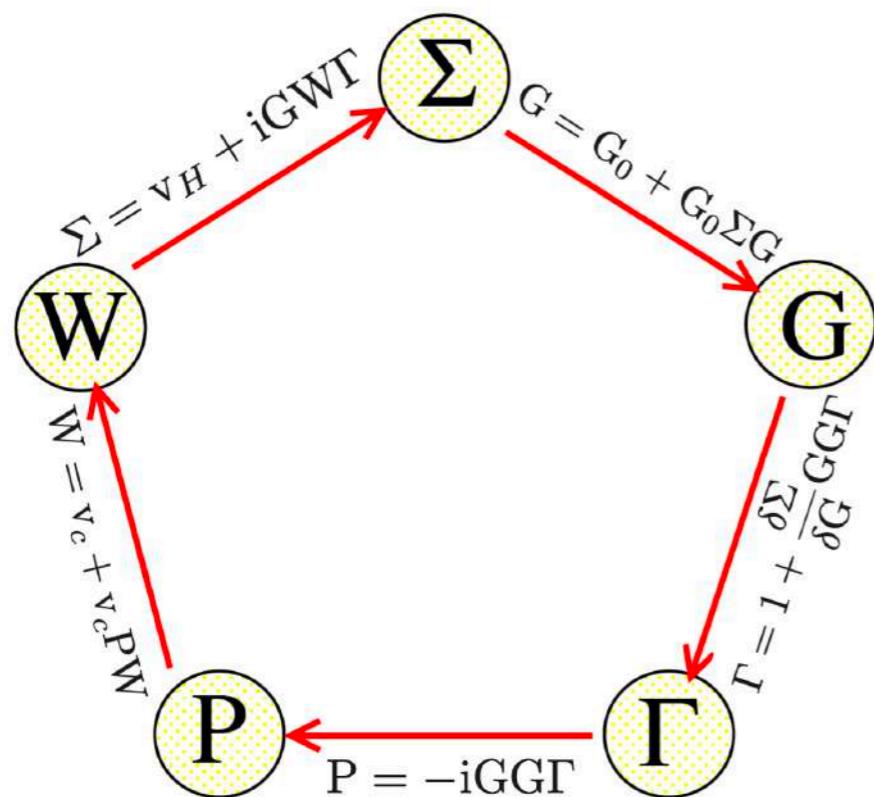
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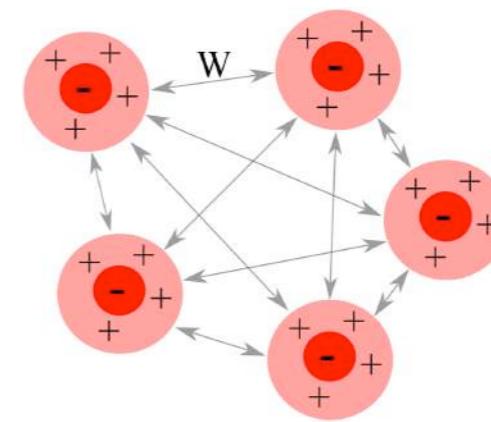
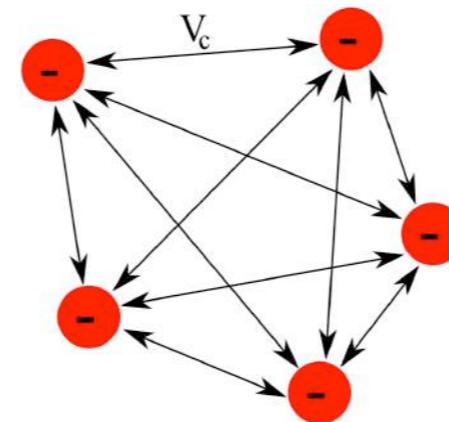
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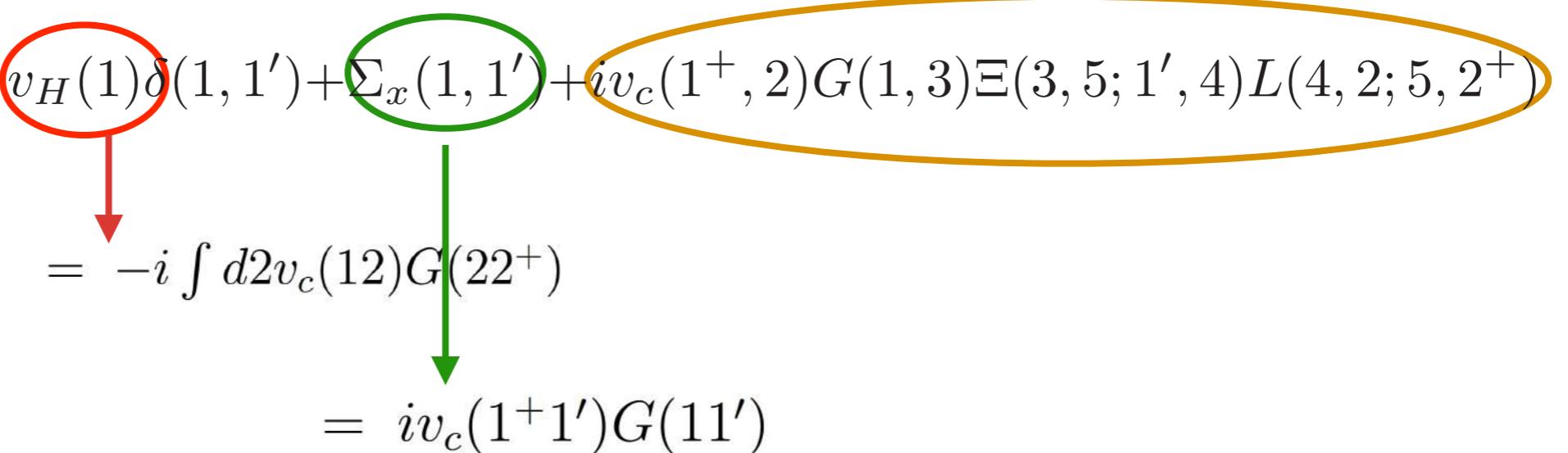
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$$= \frac{\delta G(45)}{\delta U_{ext}(2)} \Big|_{U_{ext}=0}$$

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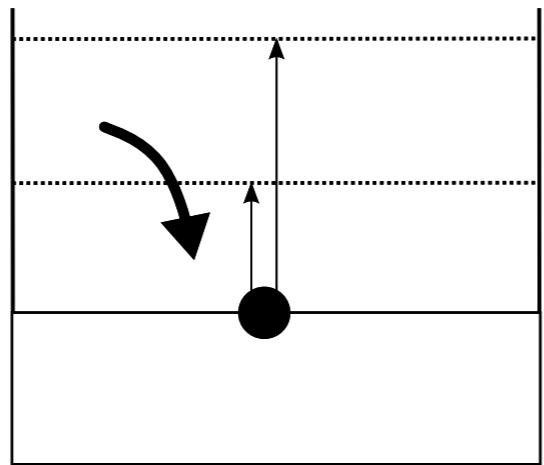
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dynamically screened
Coulomb potential

$$W = v_c + v_c PW$$

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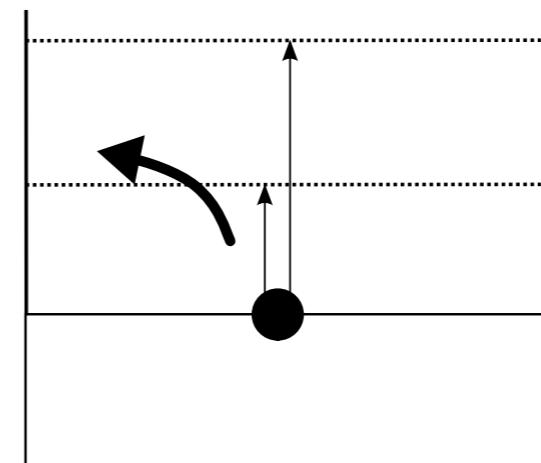
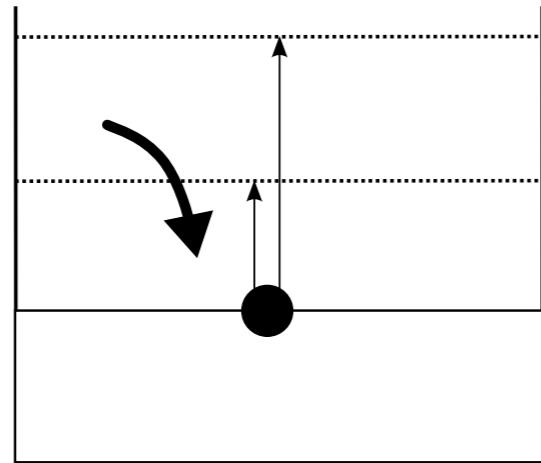


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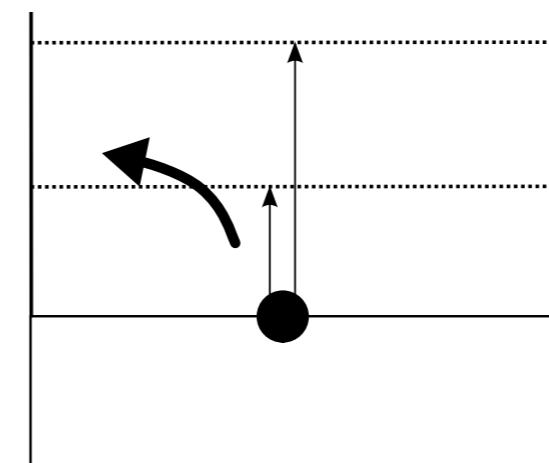
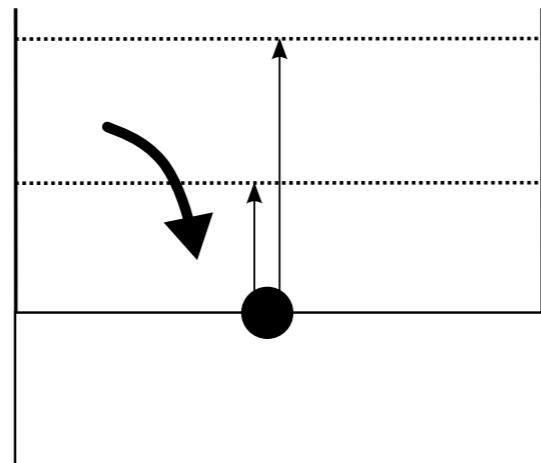
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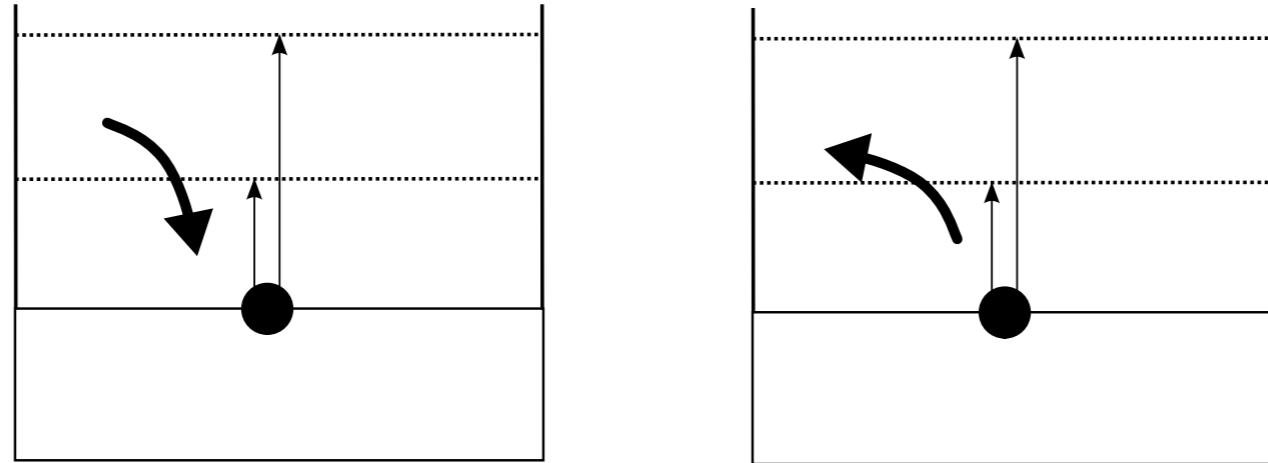


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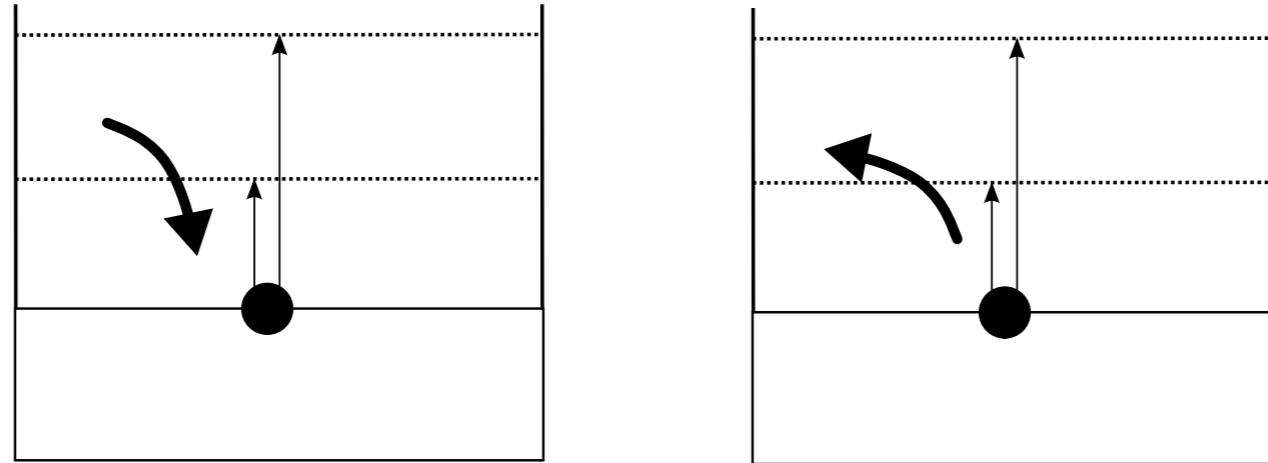
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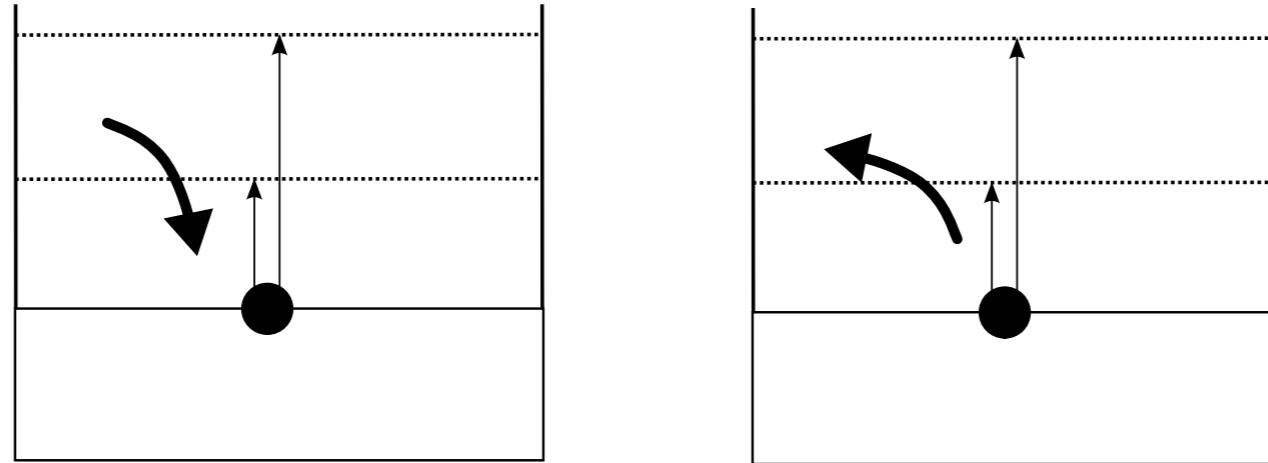
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Self-screening: the extracted particle screens itself
(bad treatment of the induced exchange)

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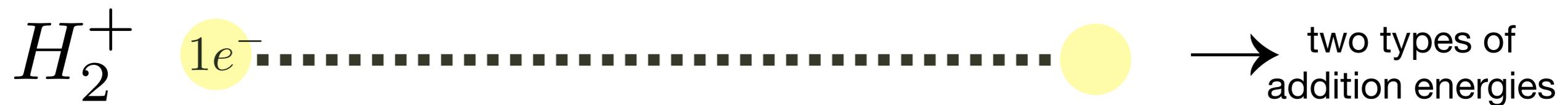
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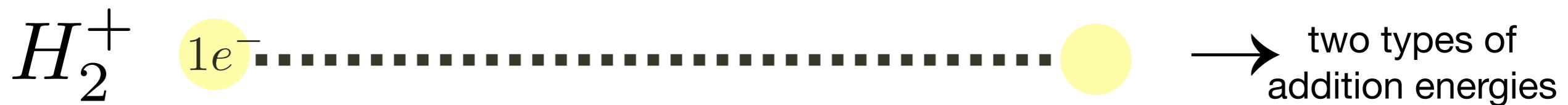
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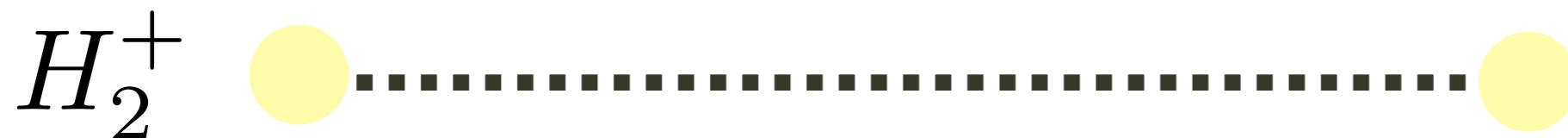
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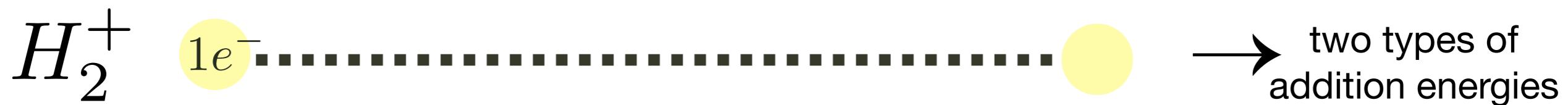
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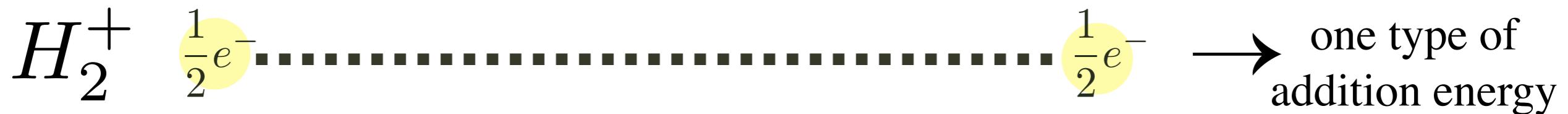
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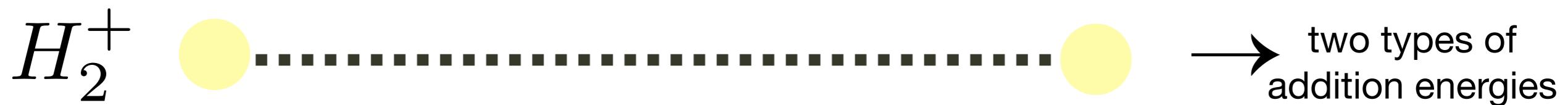
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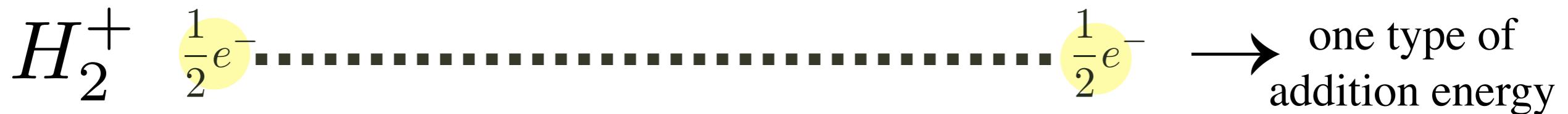
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GW treats the system and its response classically
(bad treatment of correlation)

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GW

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screening important $\rightarrow L$ well-approximated

$$\Xi = \frac{\delta(v_H + \cancel{F}_{xc})}{\delta G} \approx -iv_c \text{ rough approximation}$$

$$\Sigma \approx v_H + iG\Xi L \quad \text{GW}$$

Beyond GW: keep an approximate Σ_{xc} in Ξ

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• T matrix

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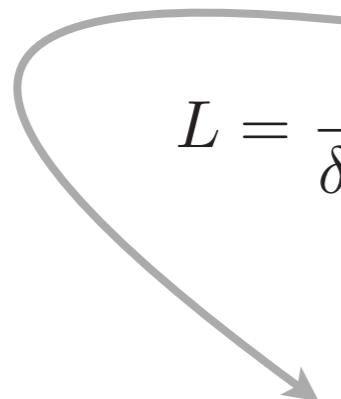


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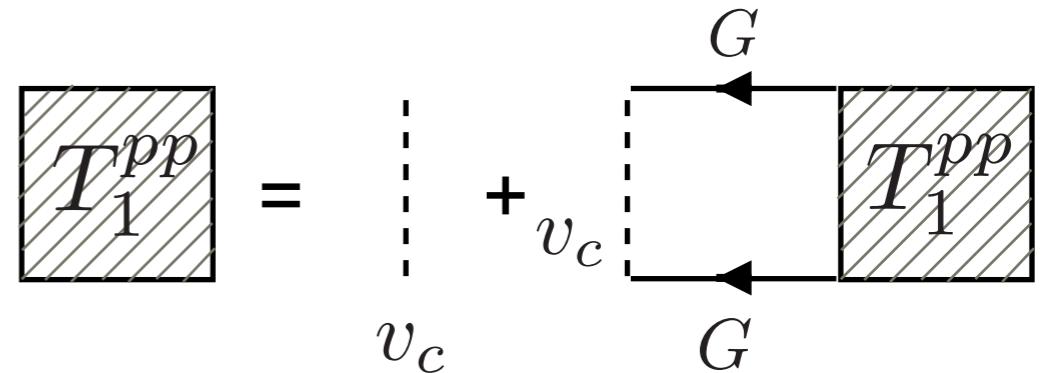
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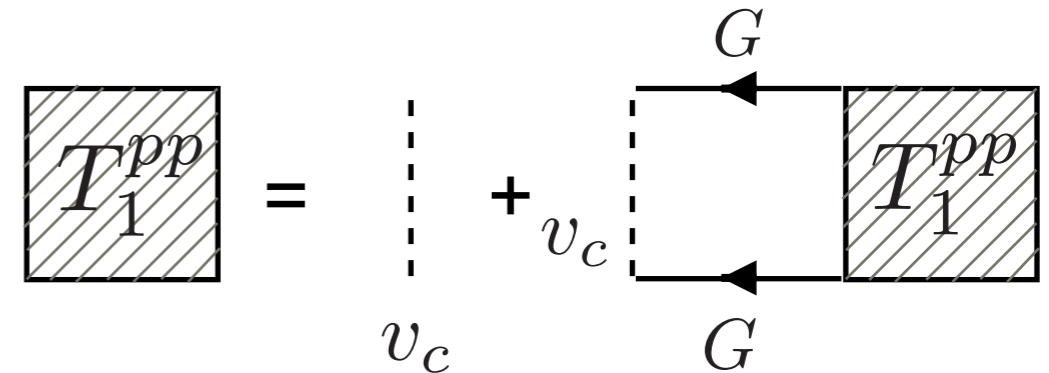
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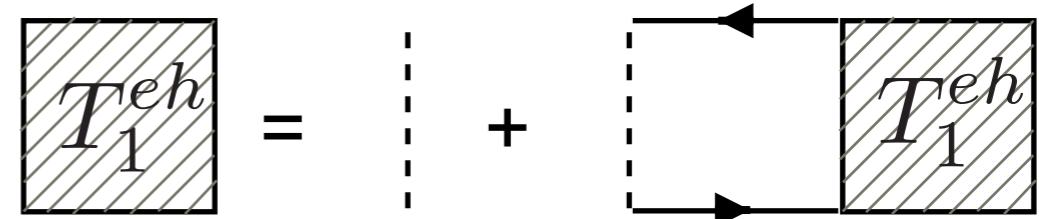
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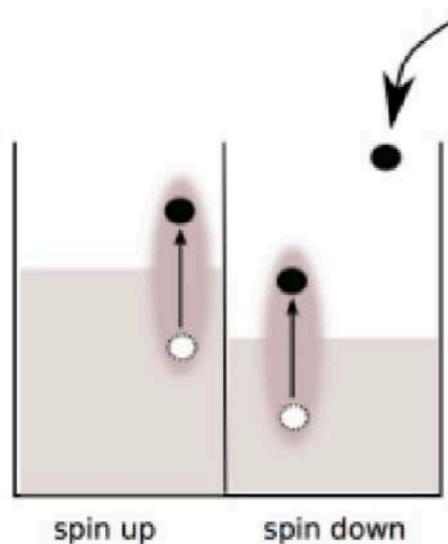
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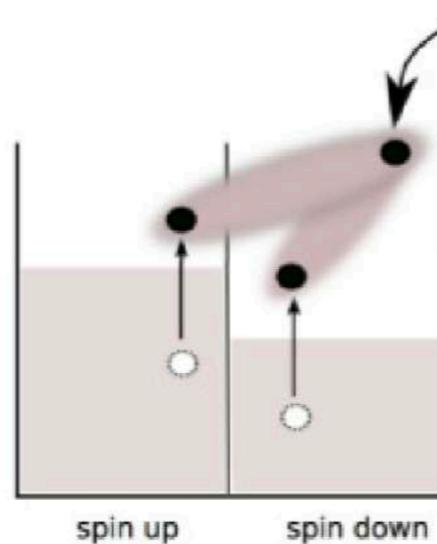
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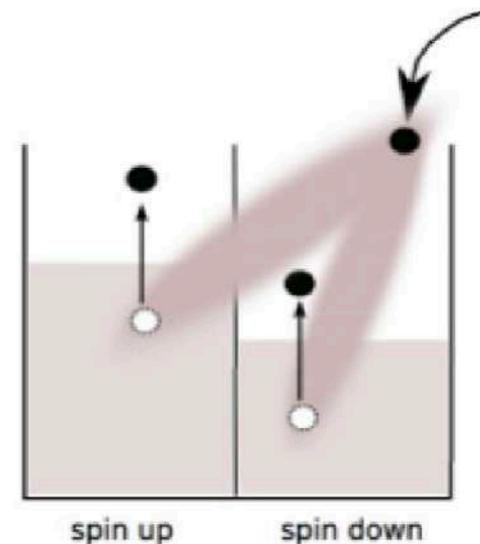
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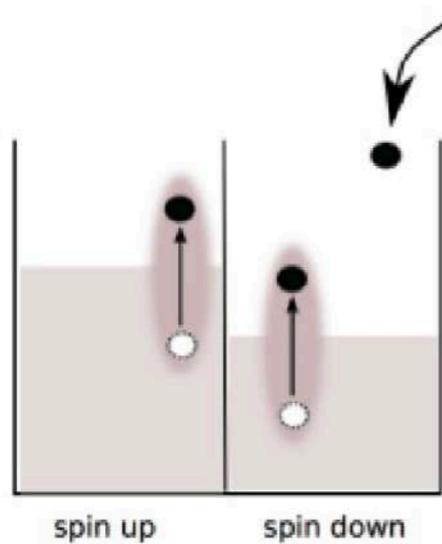
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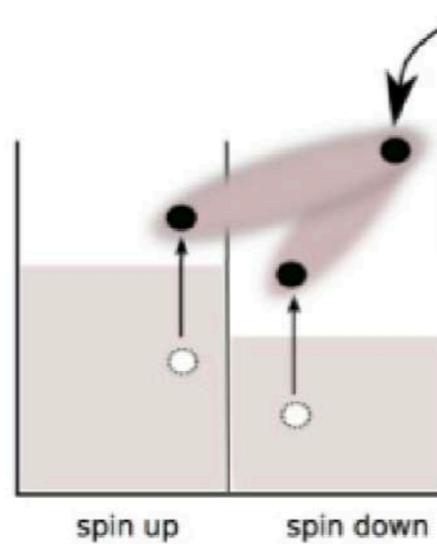
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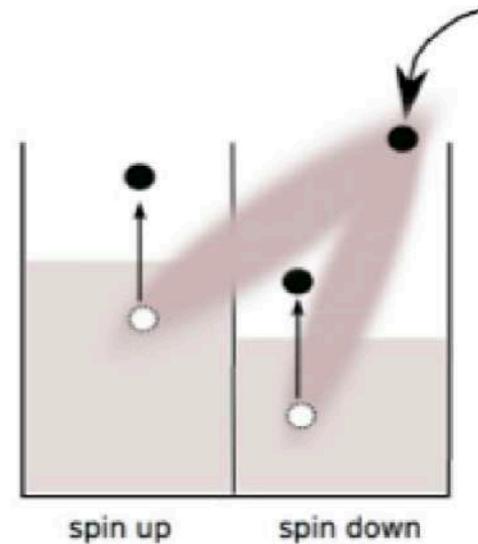
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Let's work with combinations!

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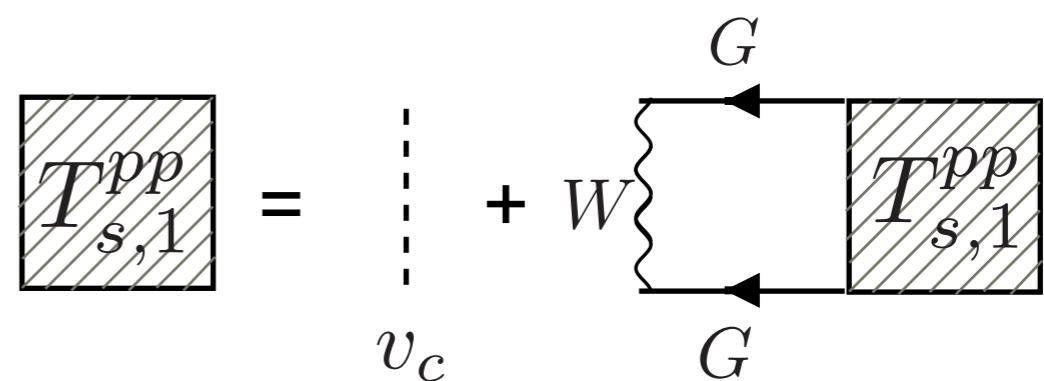
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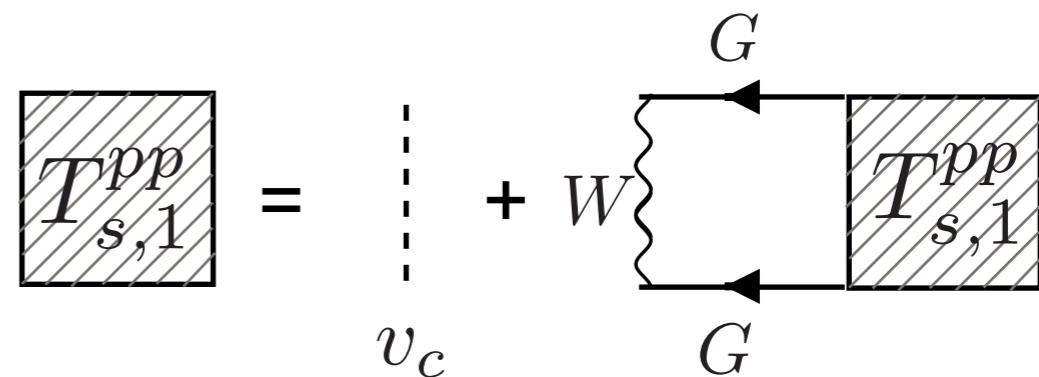
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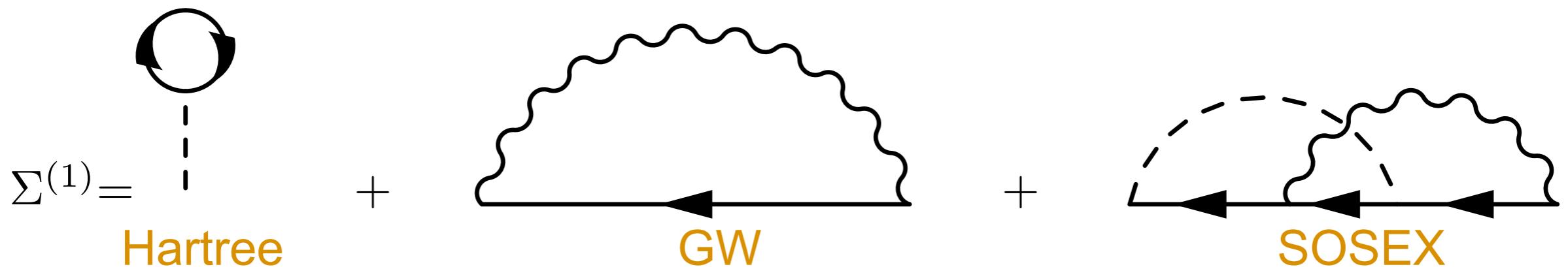
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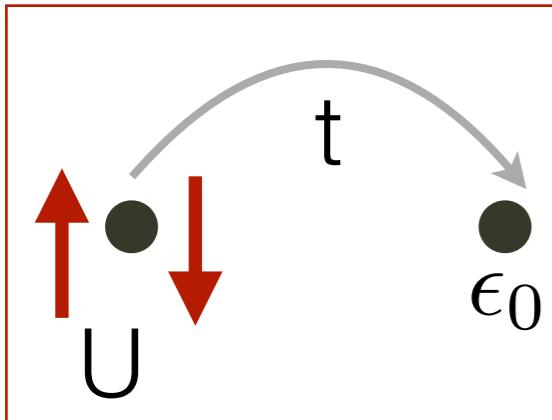


- screened T-matrix self-energy (1st iteration)



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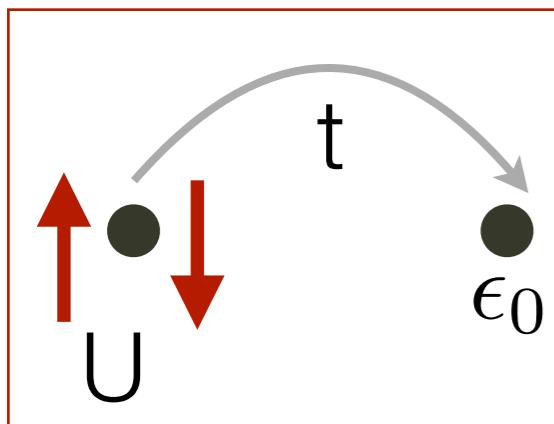


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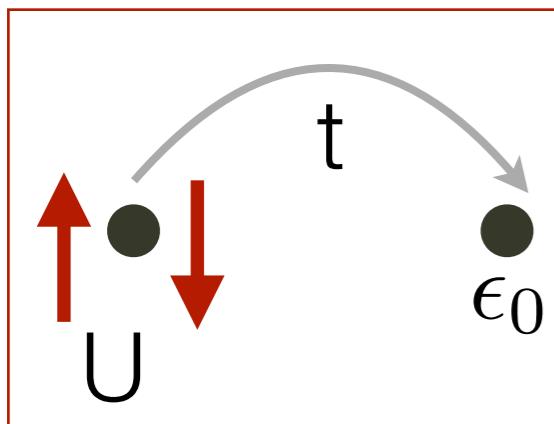
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weakly and strongly correlated regimes:

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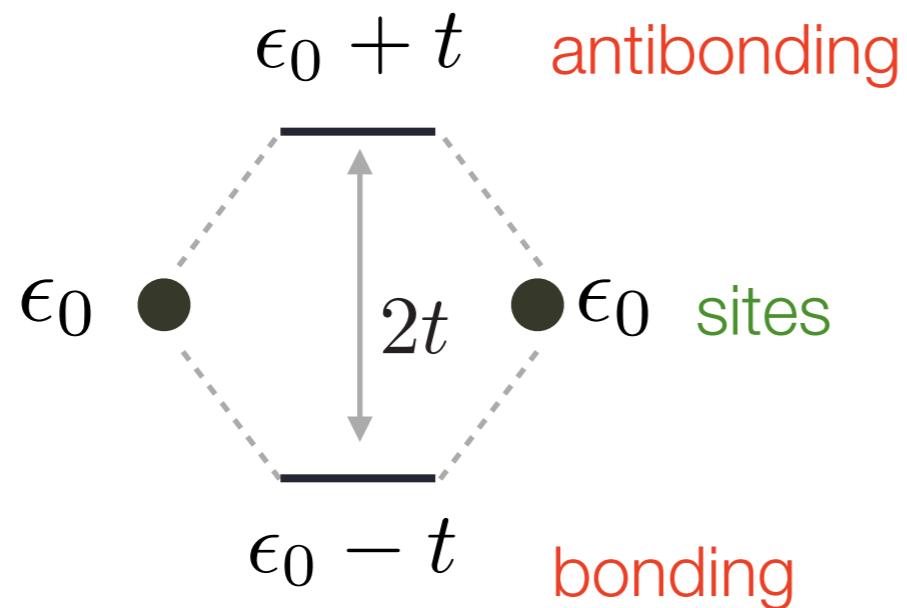
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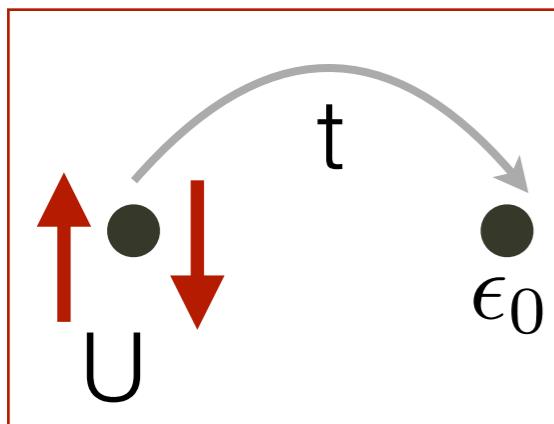


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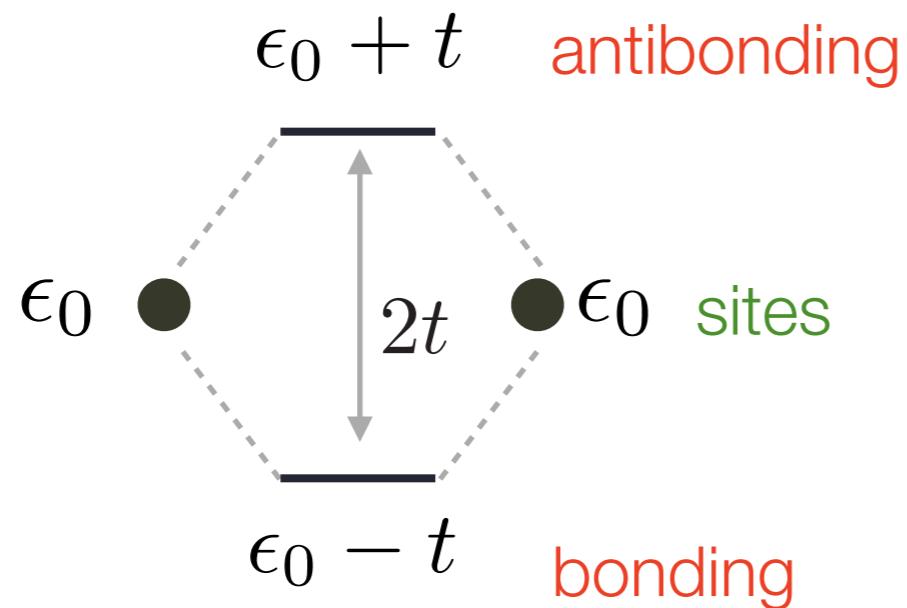
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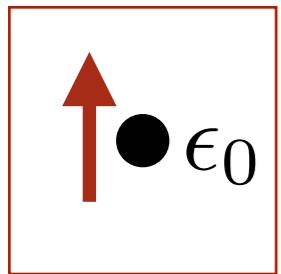
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exact solution from eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the N and $(N \pm 1)$ electron systems

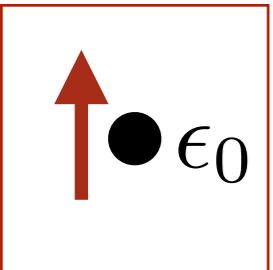
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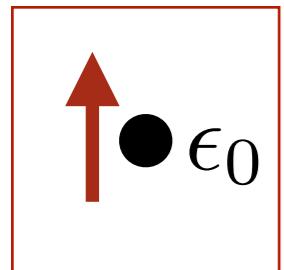
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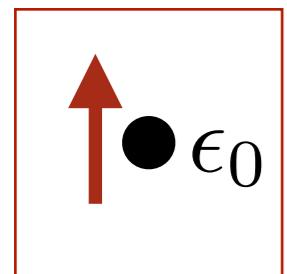


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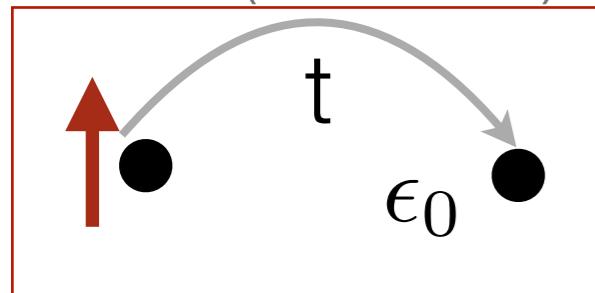
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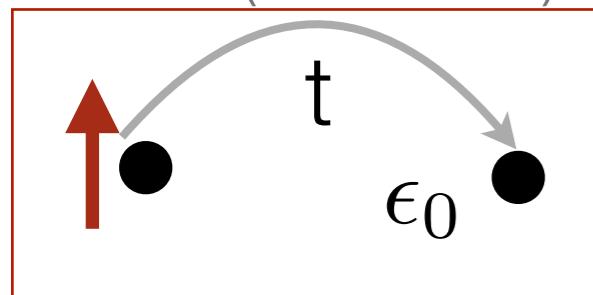
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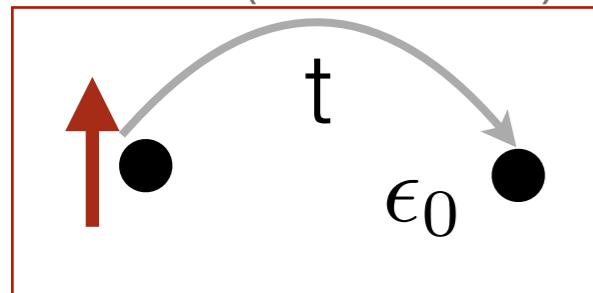


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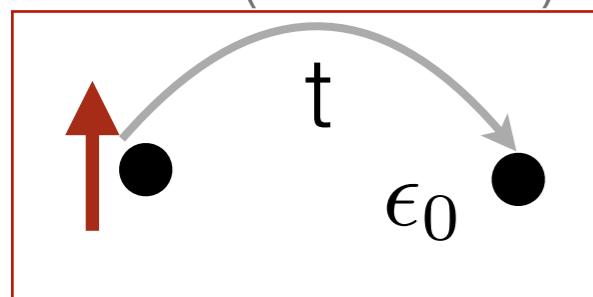
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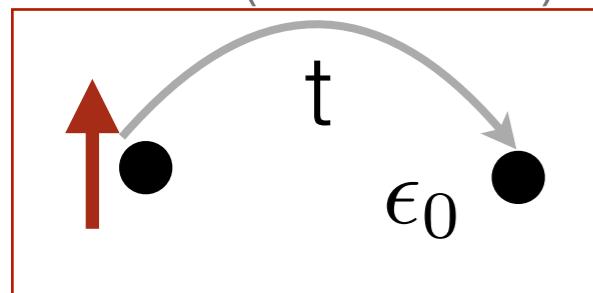
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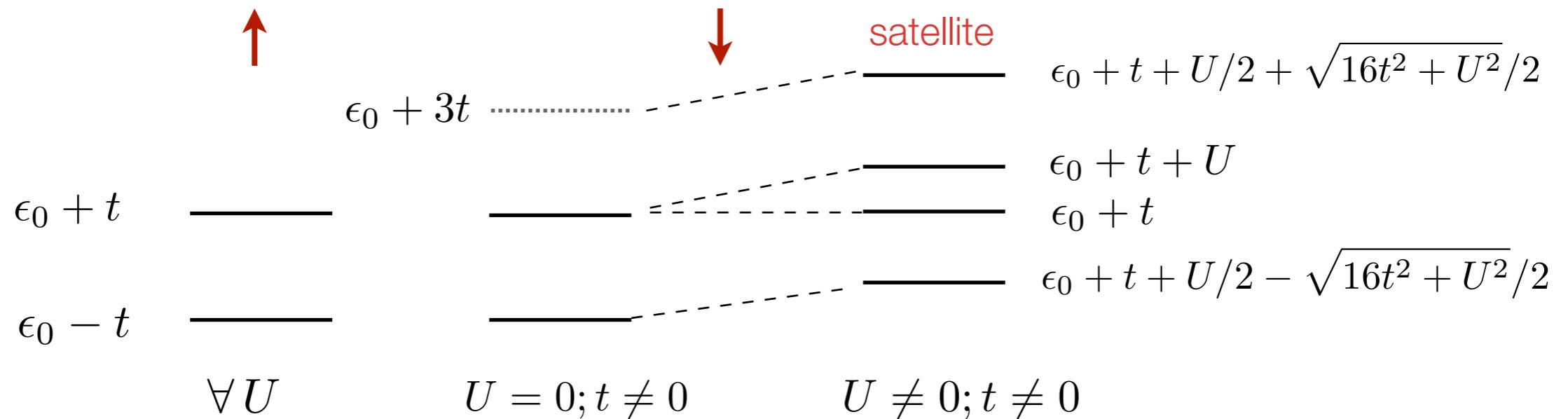
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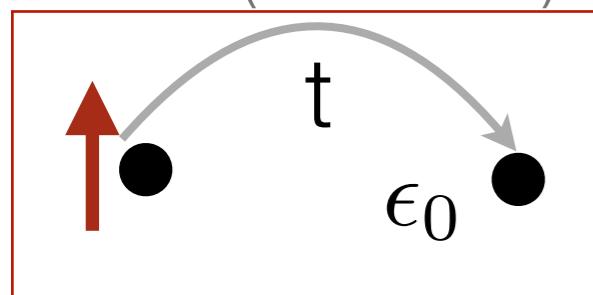
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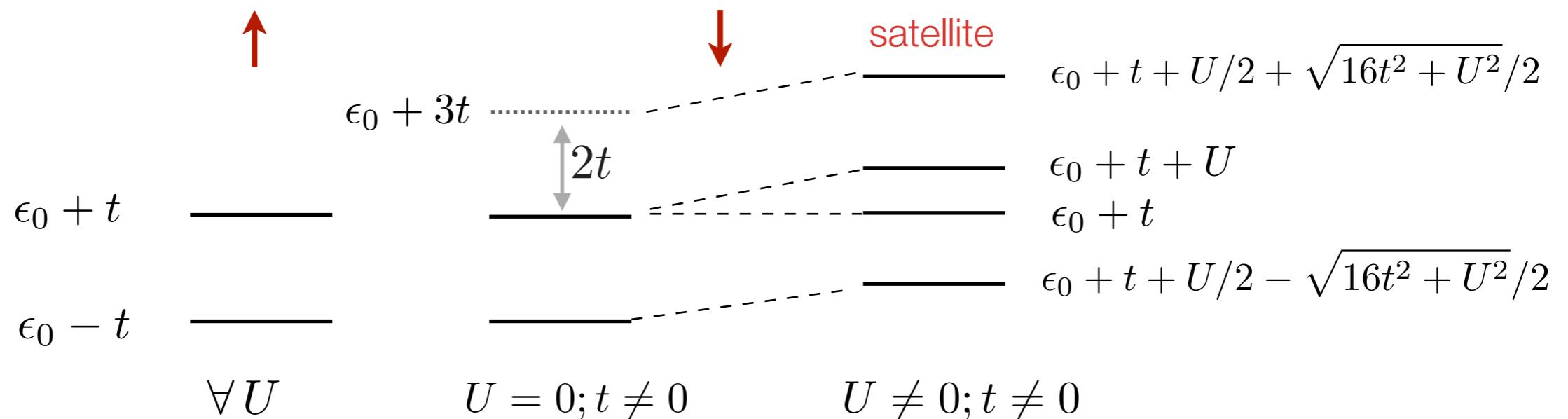
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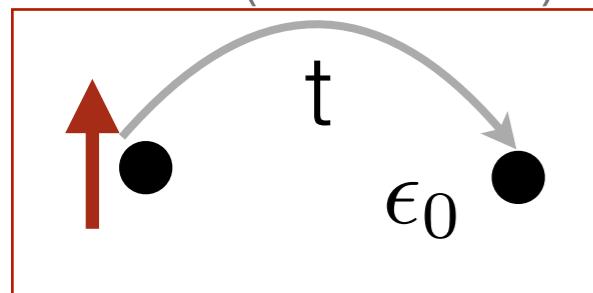
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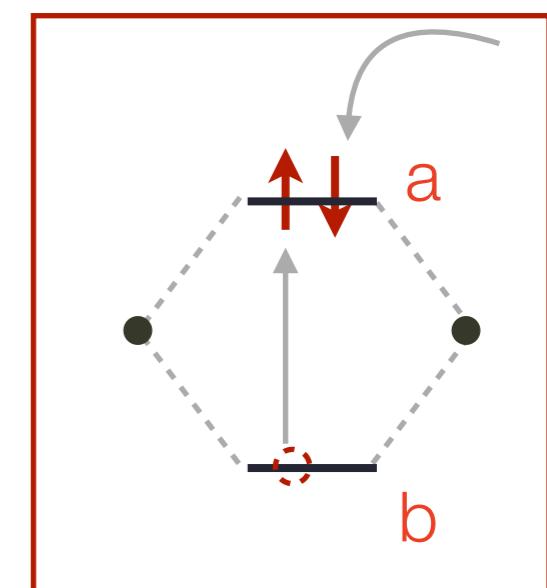
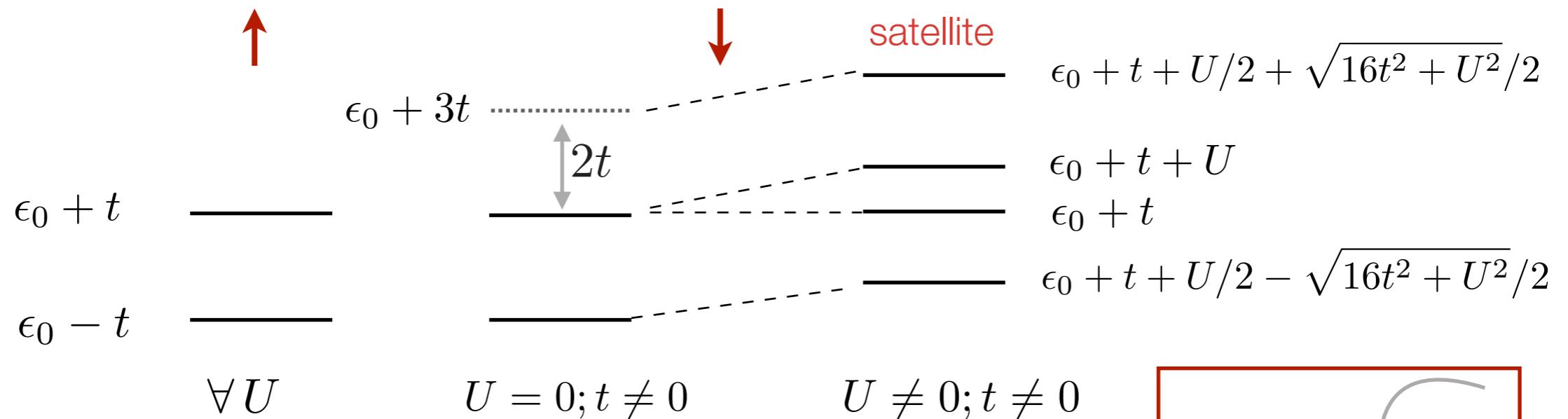
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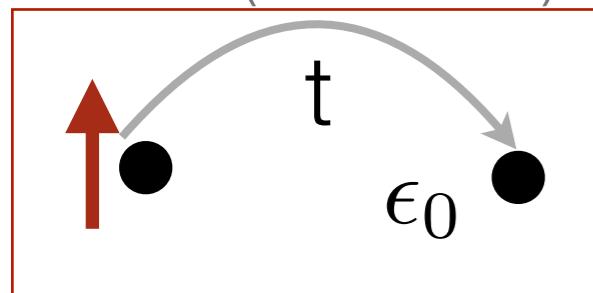
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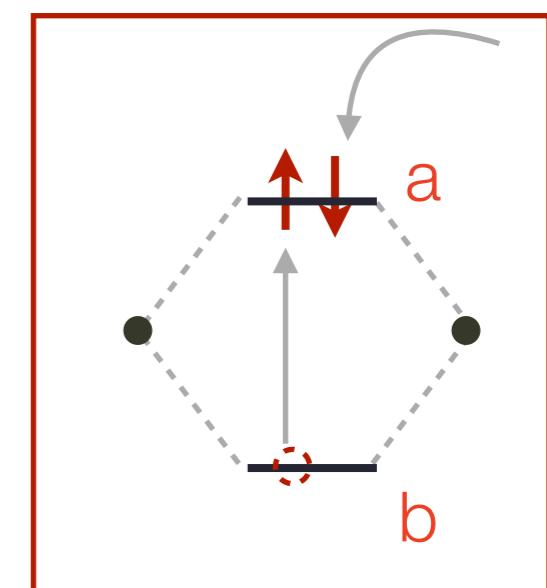
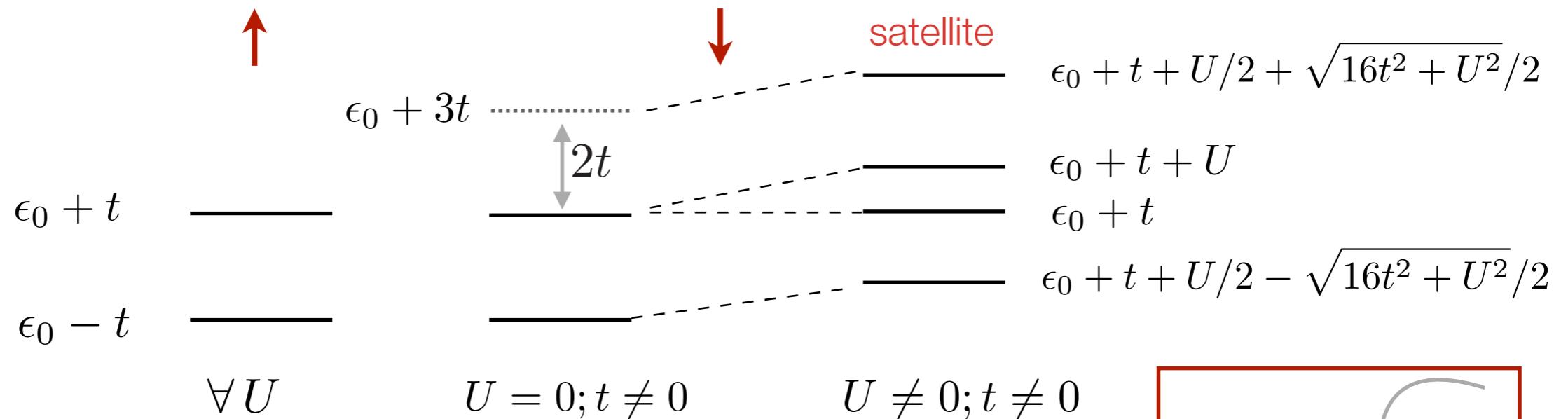
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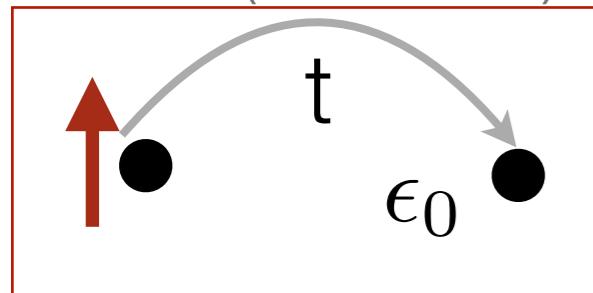
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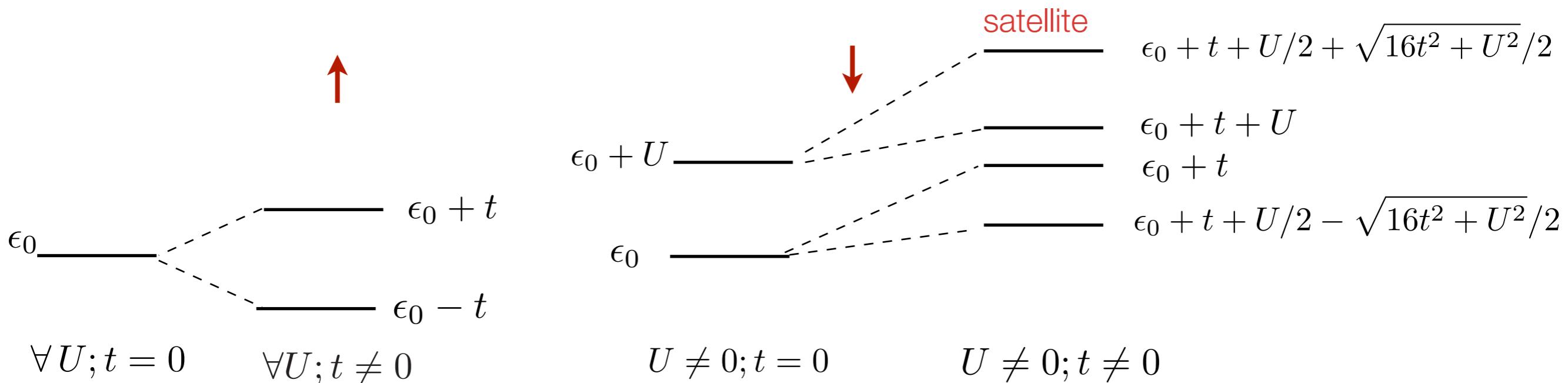
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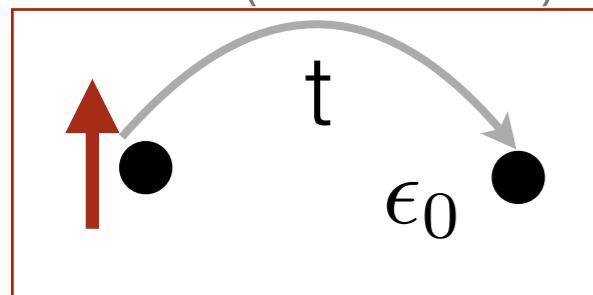
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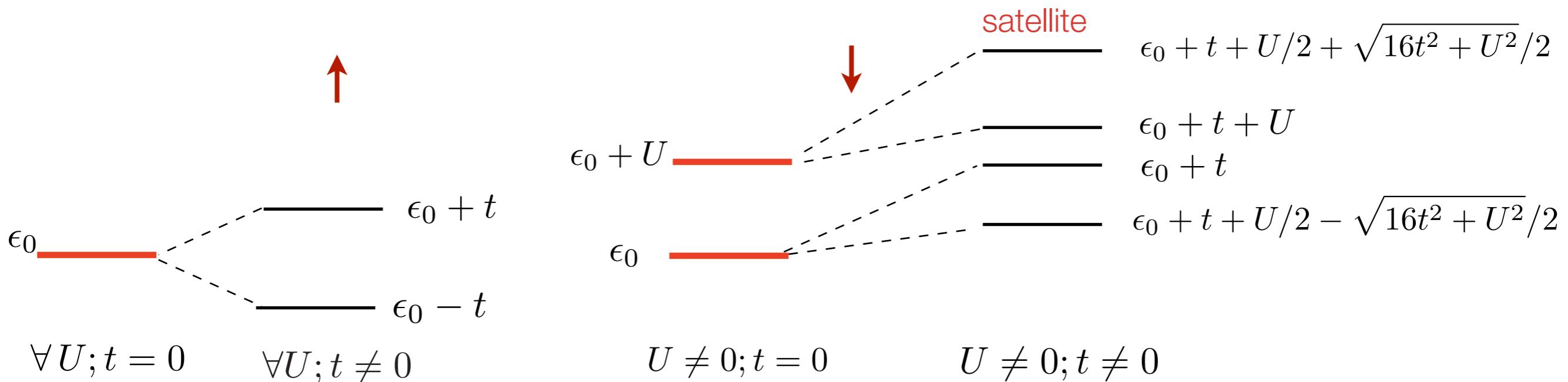
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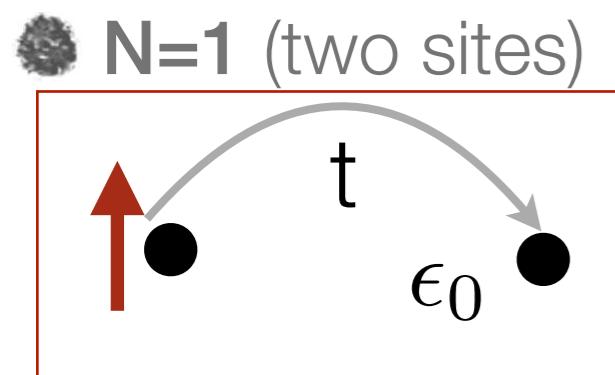


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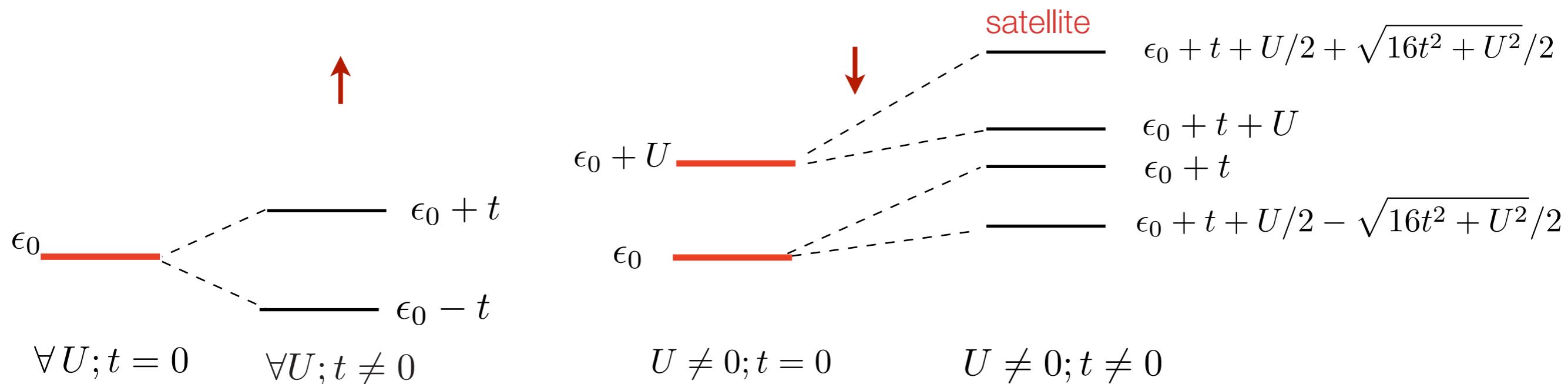


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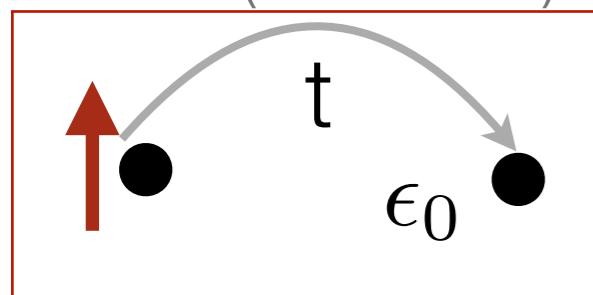
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removal/addition energies of an empty atom and an atom with one electron

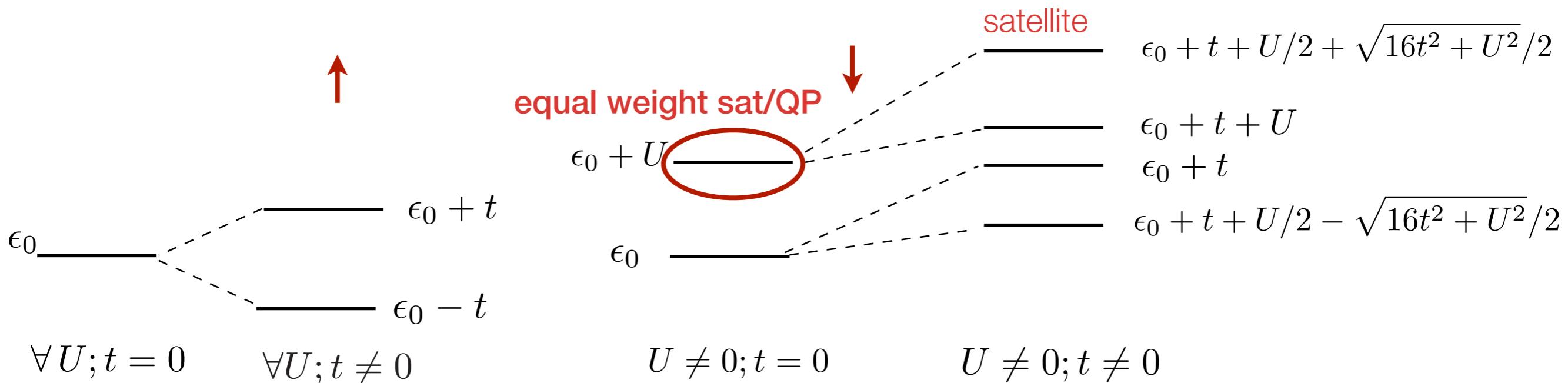
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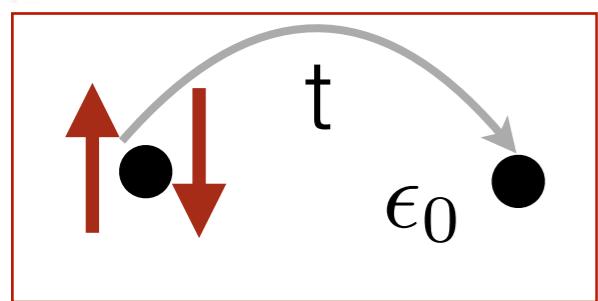
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The Hubbard dimer: exact solution

N=2



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Symmetric in the sites and
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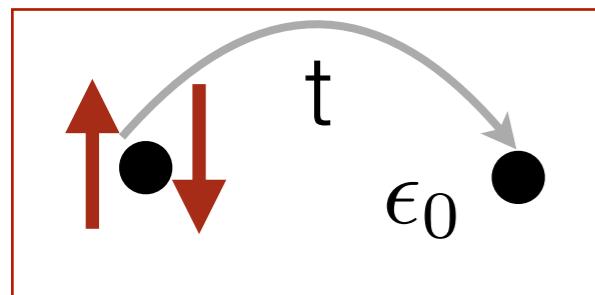
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$$\Sigma(\omega) = G_0^{-1}(\omega) - G^{-1}(\omega)$$

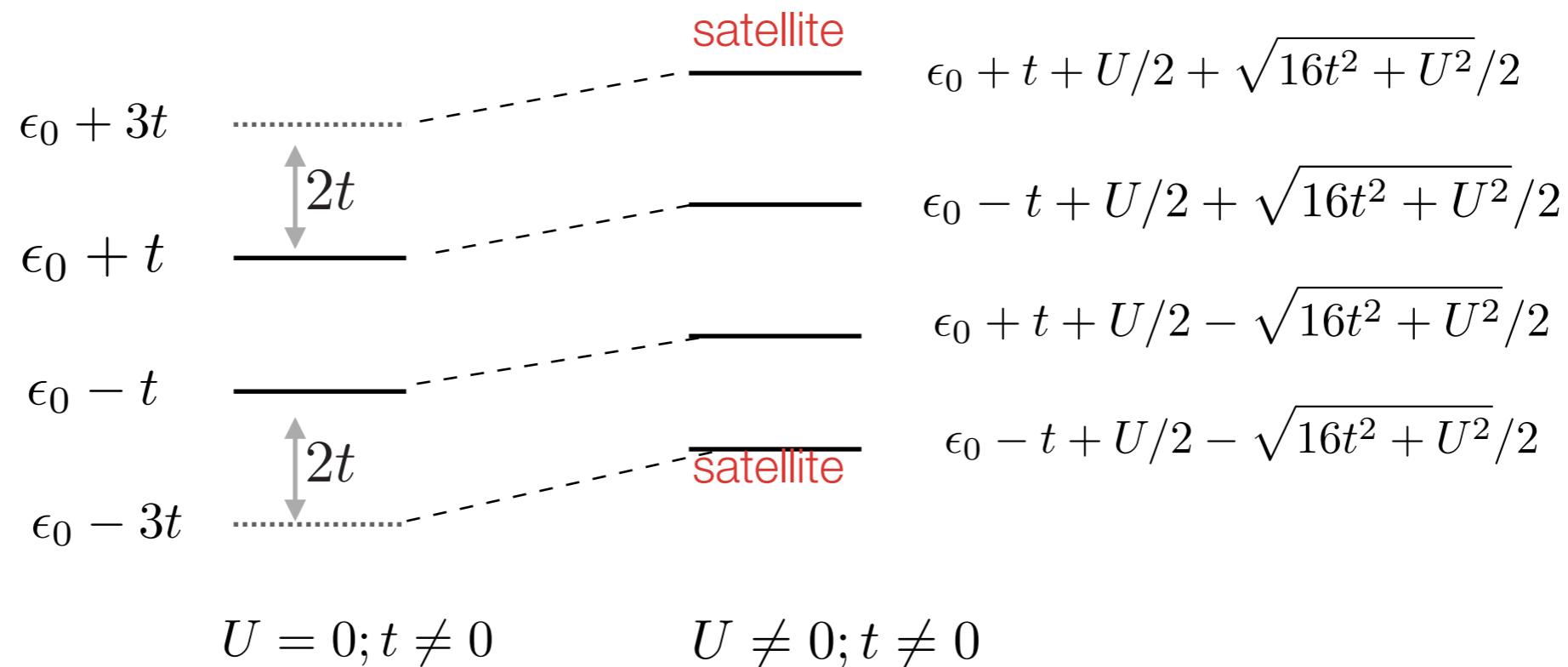
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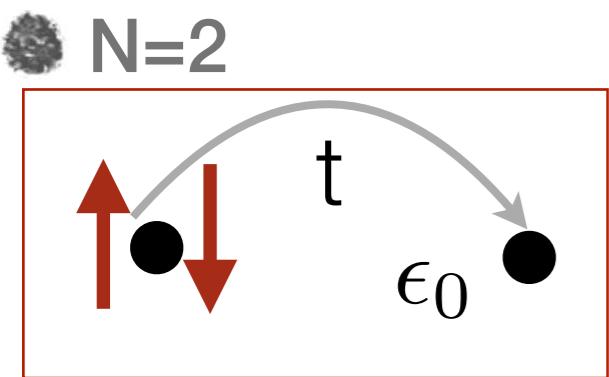
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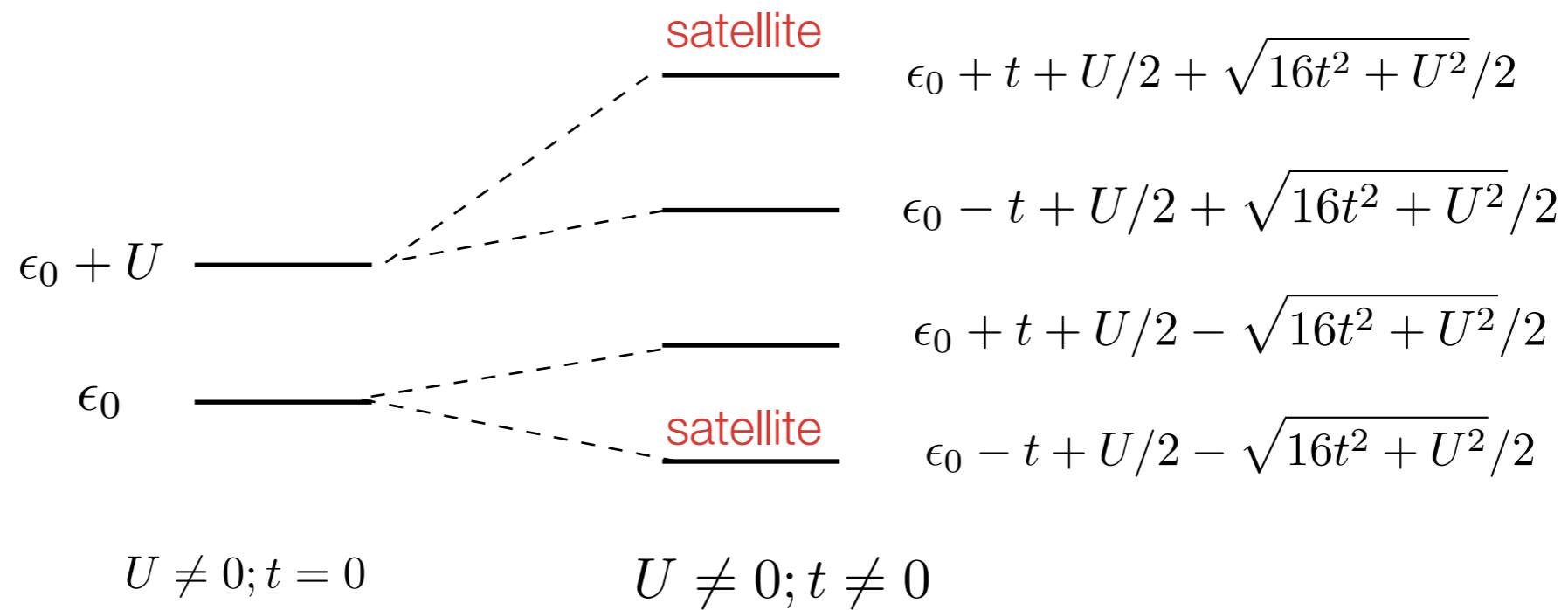
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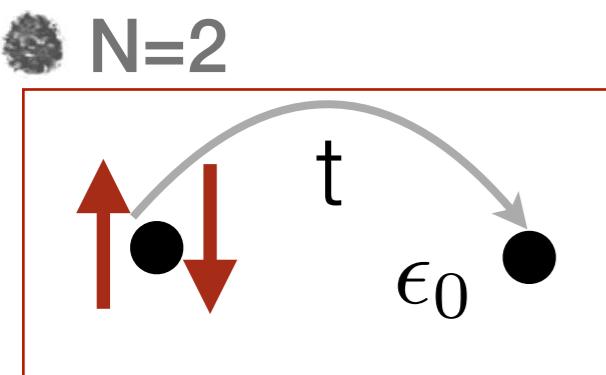
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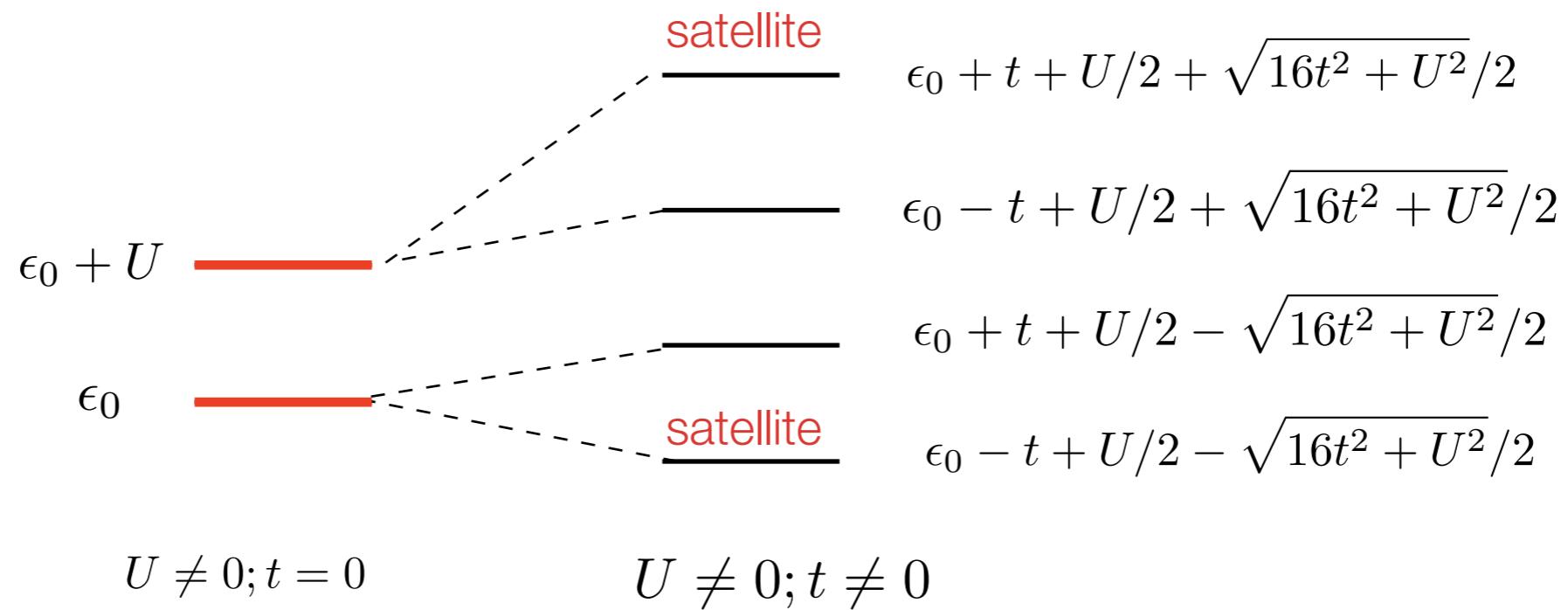
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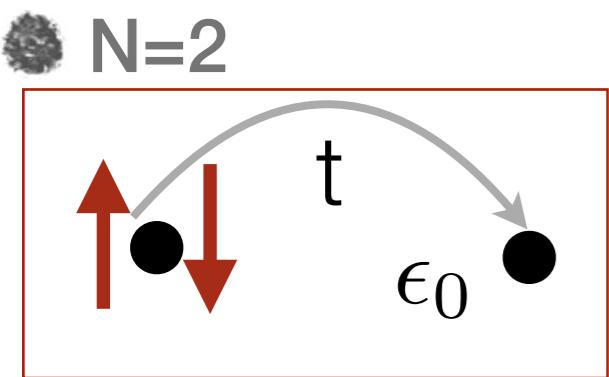


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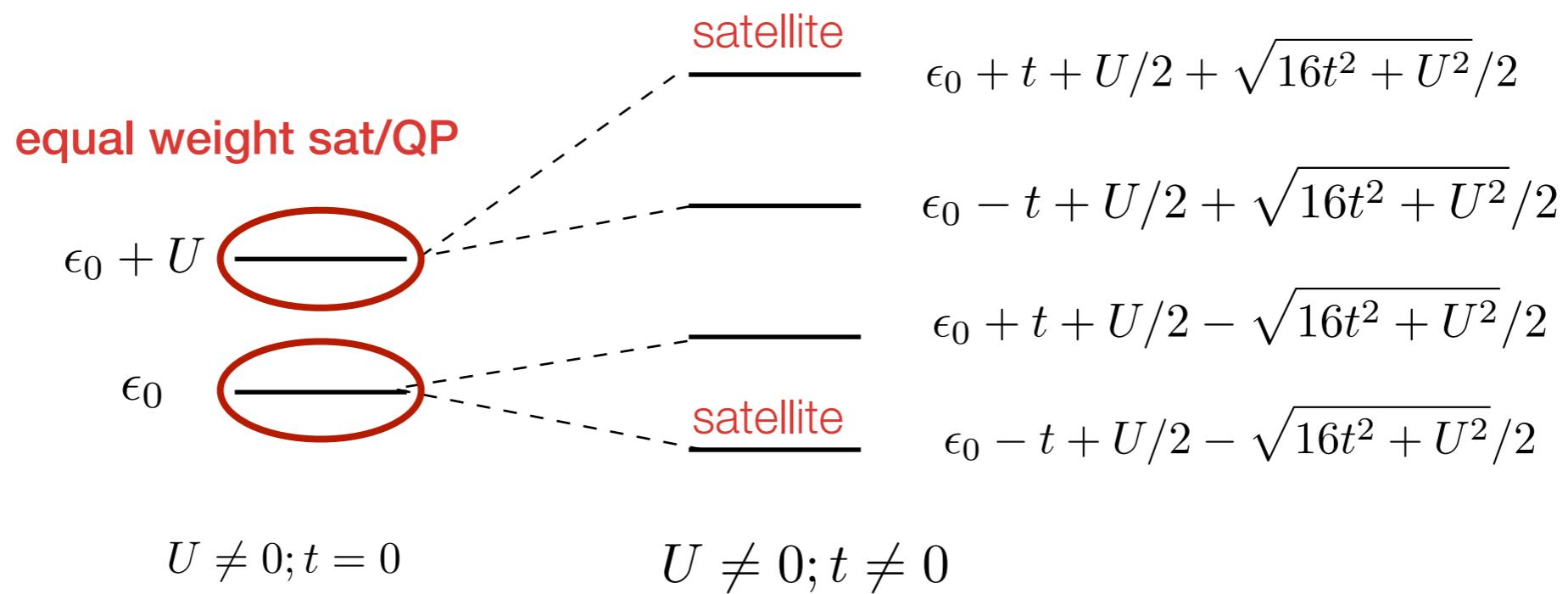


removal/addition energies of one isolated atom with one electron

The Hubbard dimer: exact solution



- Removal/addition energies: atomic limit $t \rightarrow 0$



The Hubbard dimer: GW solution

$$G(1,2) = G_0(1,2) + G_0(1,3)\Sigma(3,4)G(4,2)$$

One-shot GW
(G_0 as starting point)

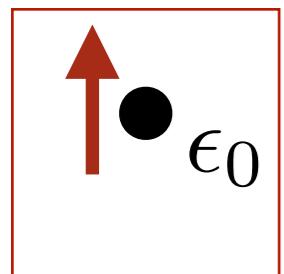
$$\Sigma = v_H + iG_0W_0$$

$$W_0 = [1 + \underbrace{iv_c G_0 G_0}_{-v_c P}]^{-1} v_c$$

$$v_H = -iv_c G_0$$

The Hubbard monomer: GW solution

N=1

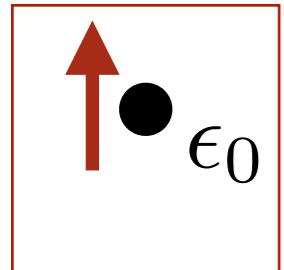


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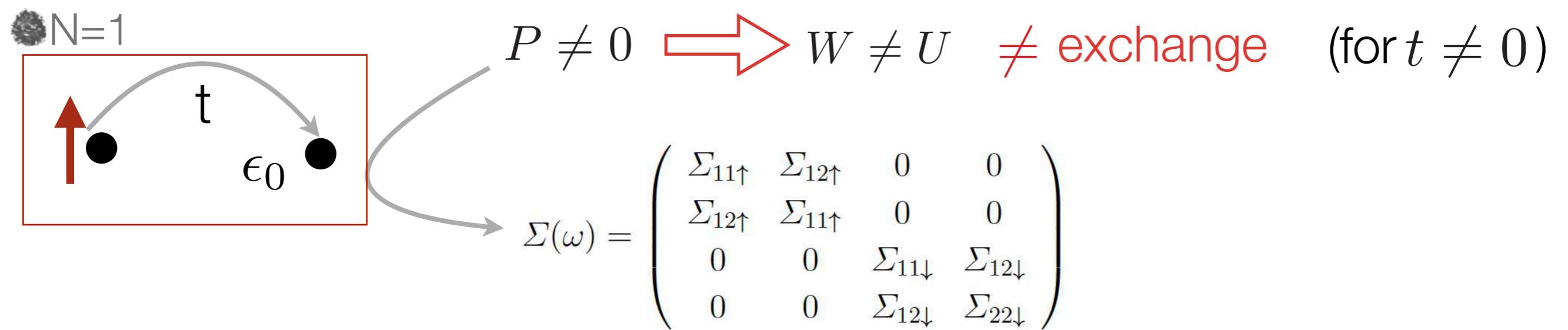


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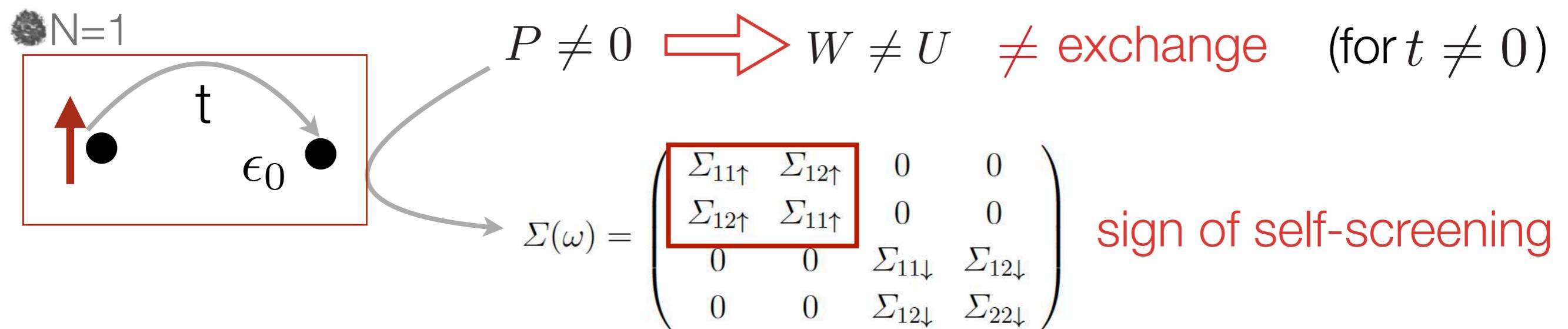
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GW is exact for two isolated sites

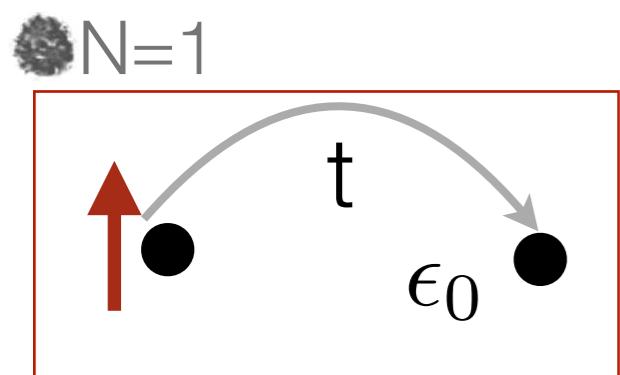
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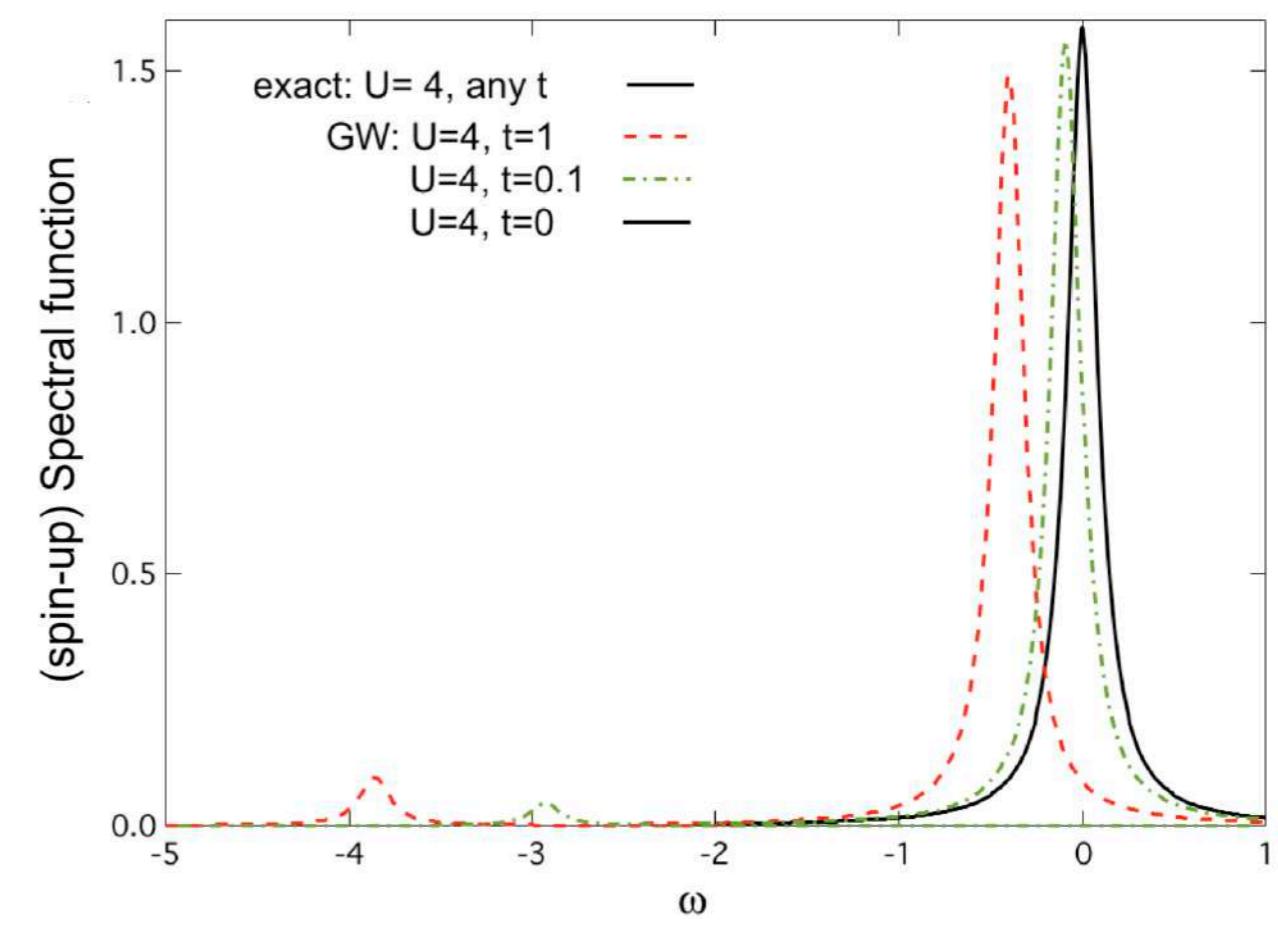
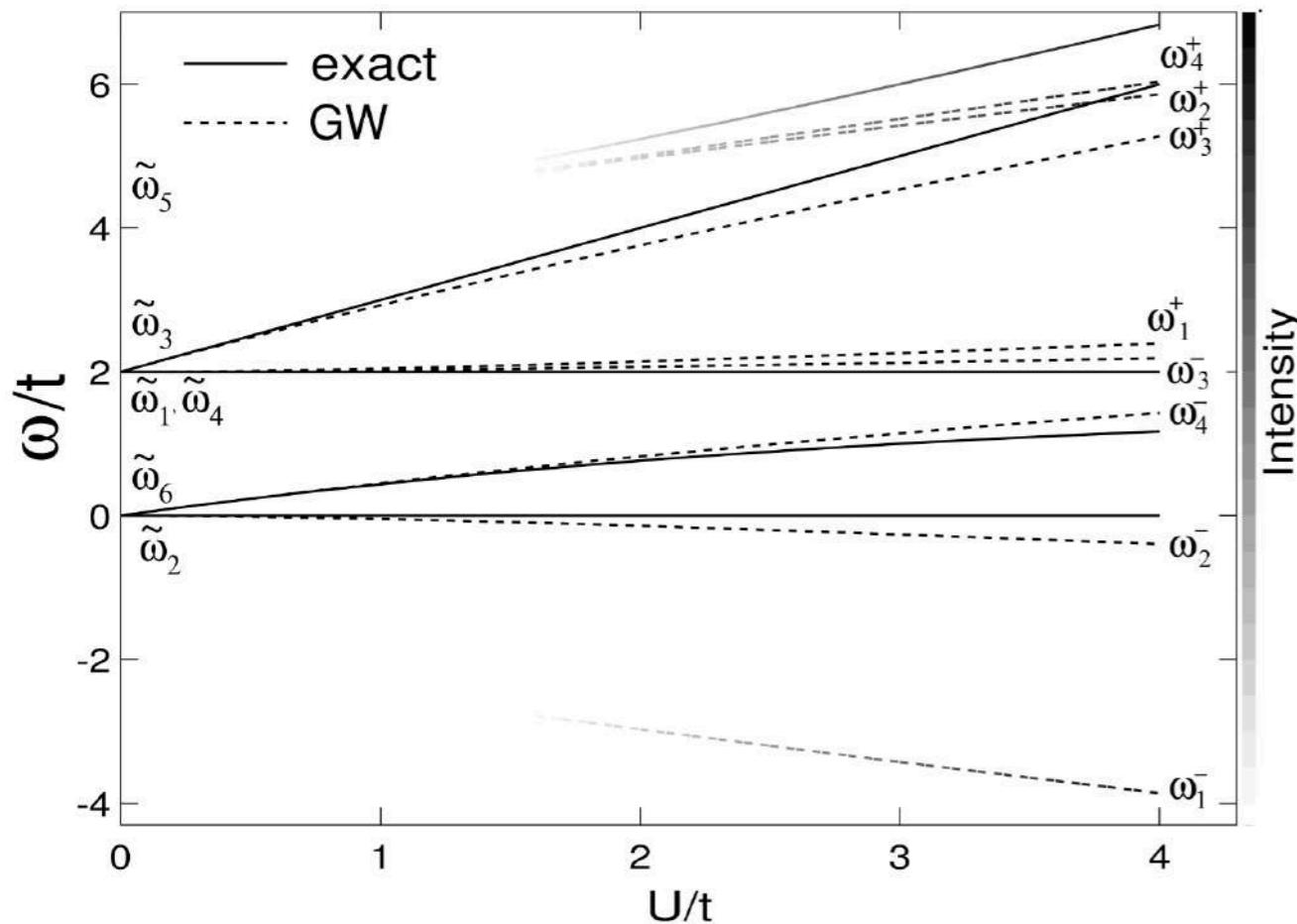


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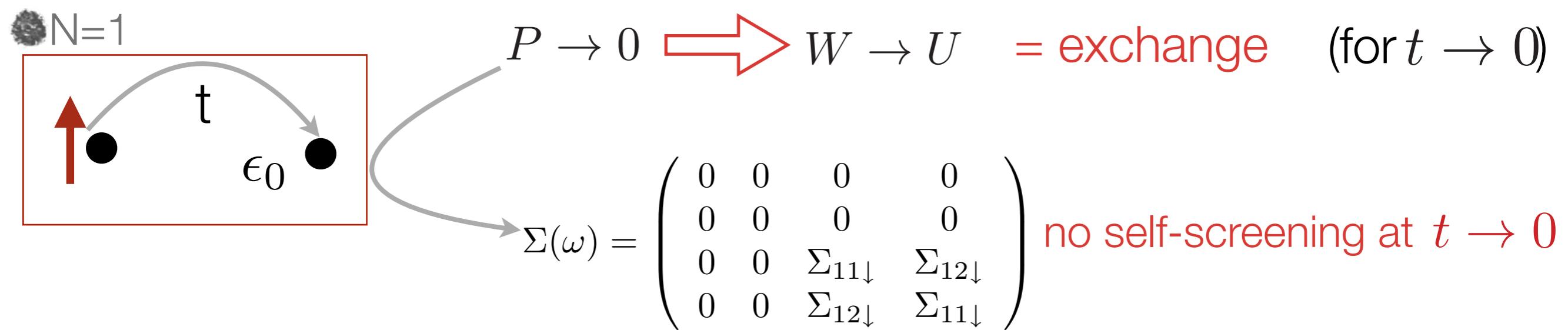


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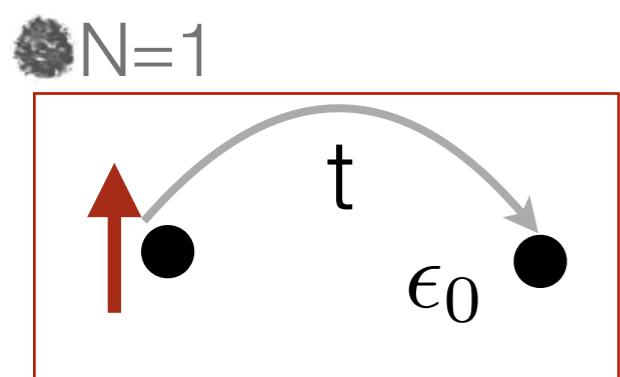
- Removal/addition energies: self-screening



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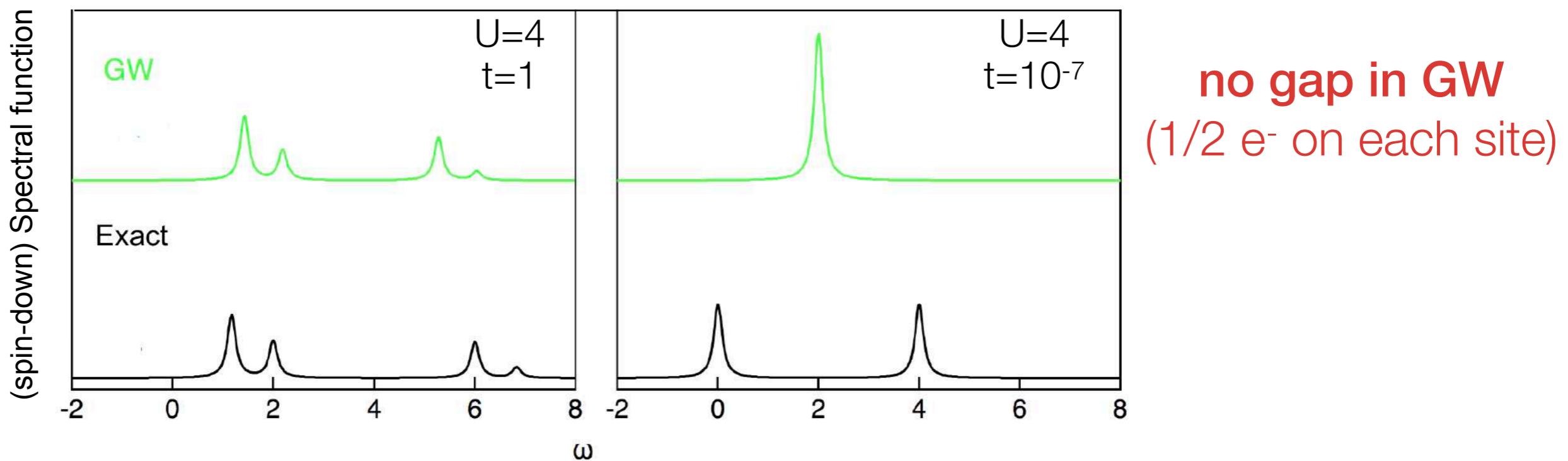


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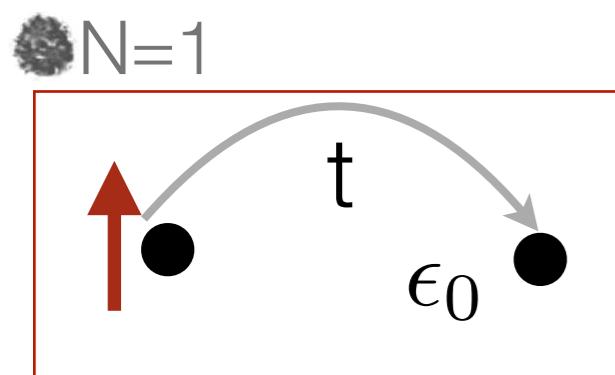


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- Spectral function: atomic limit $t \rightarrow 0$

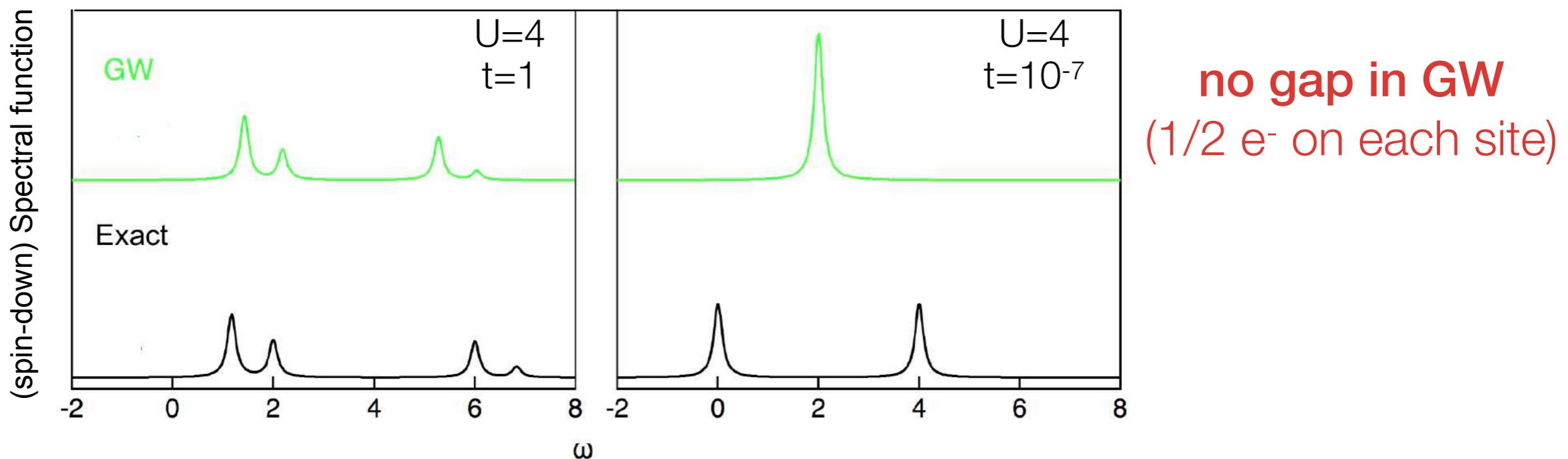


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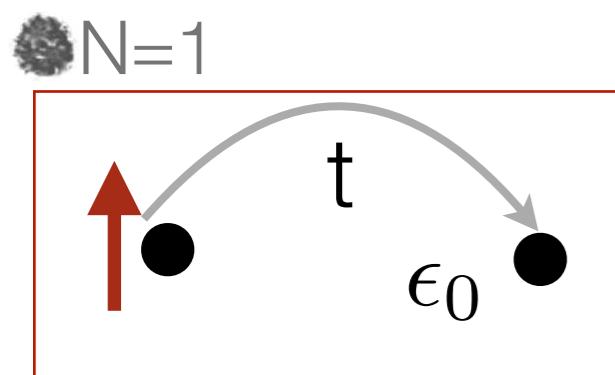


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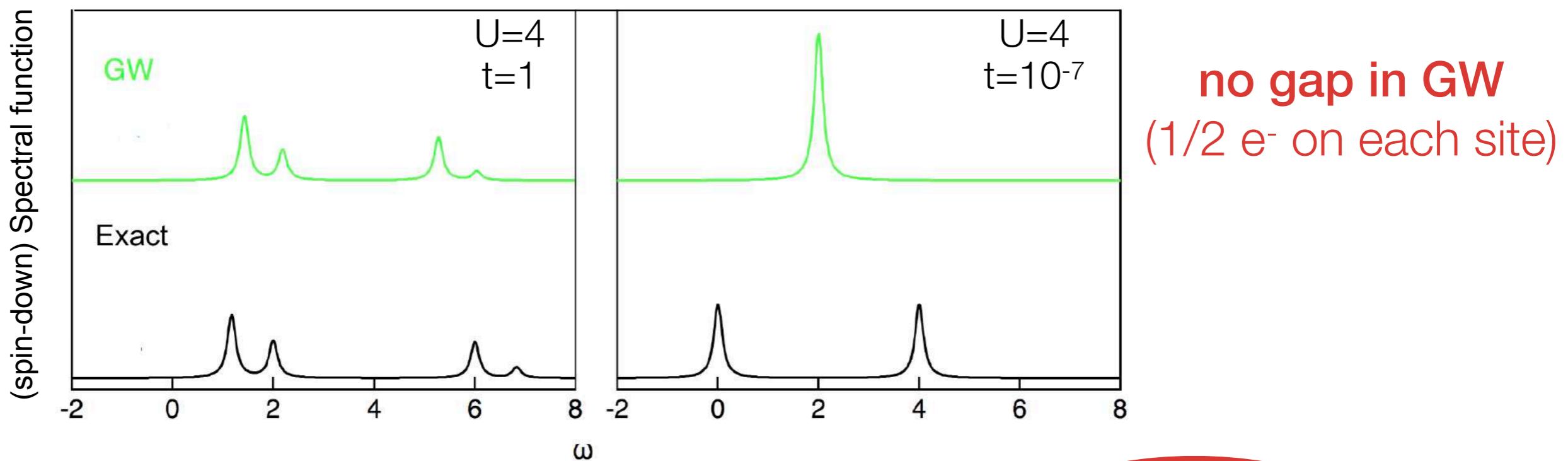
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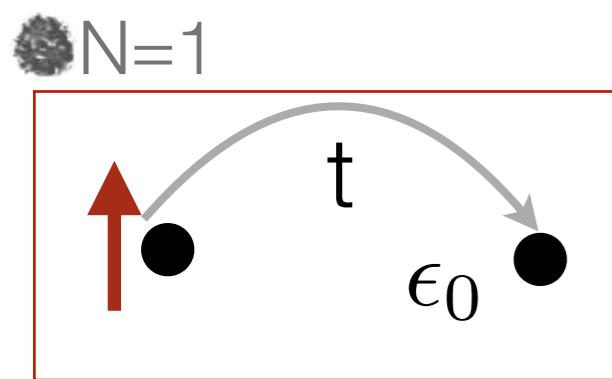


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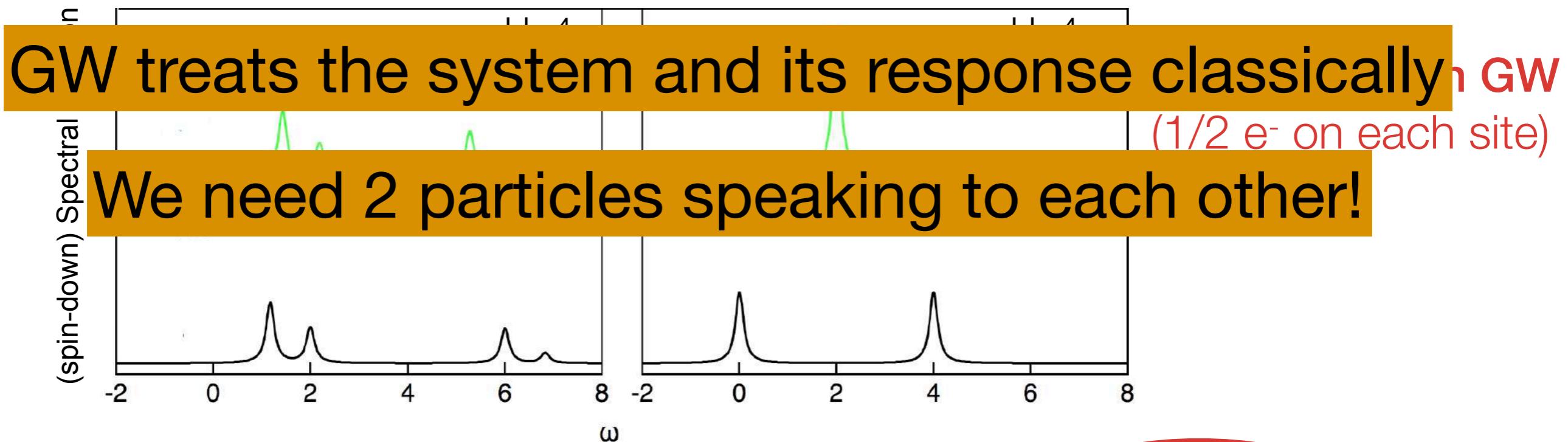
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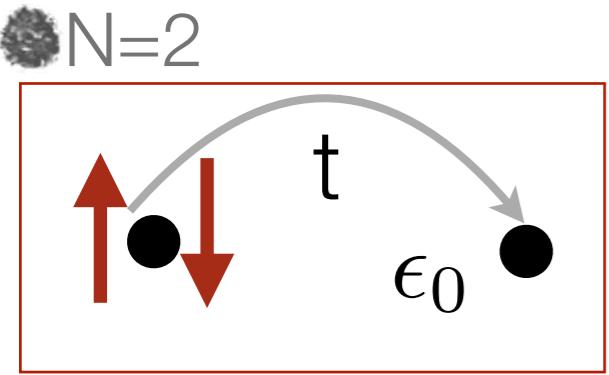


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The Hubbard dimer: GW solution



$N=2$

t

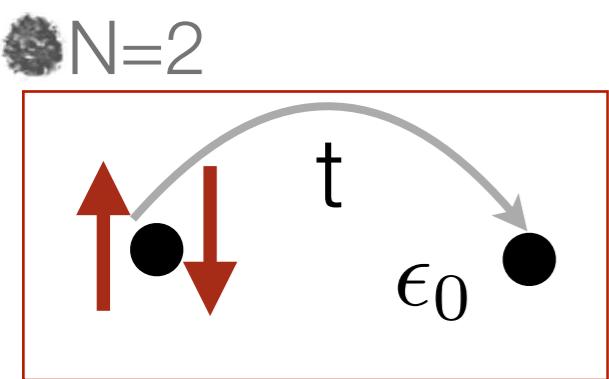
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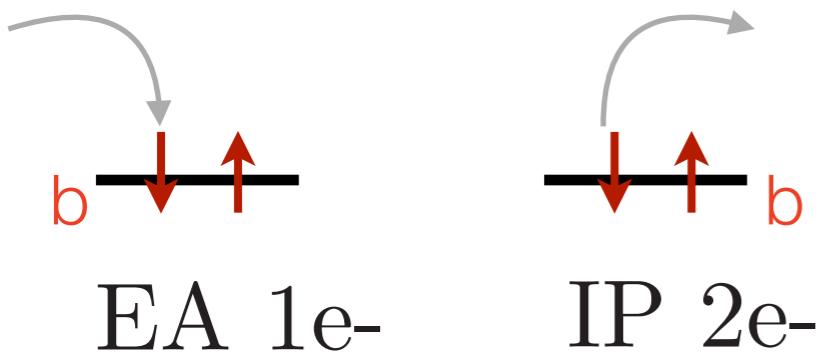
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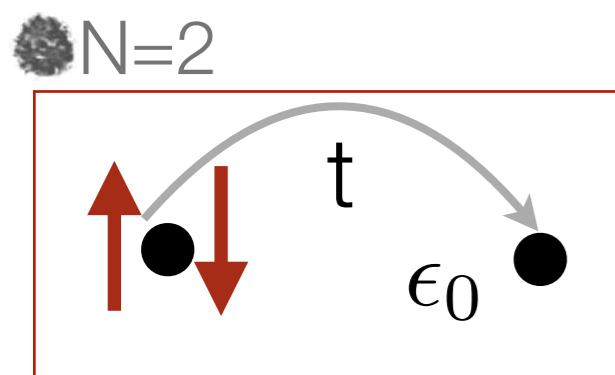
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- Effect of self-screening



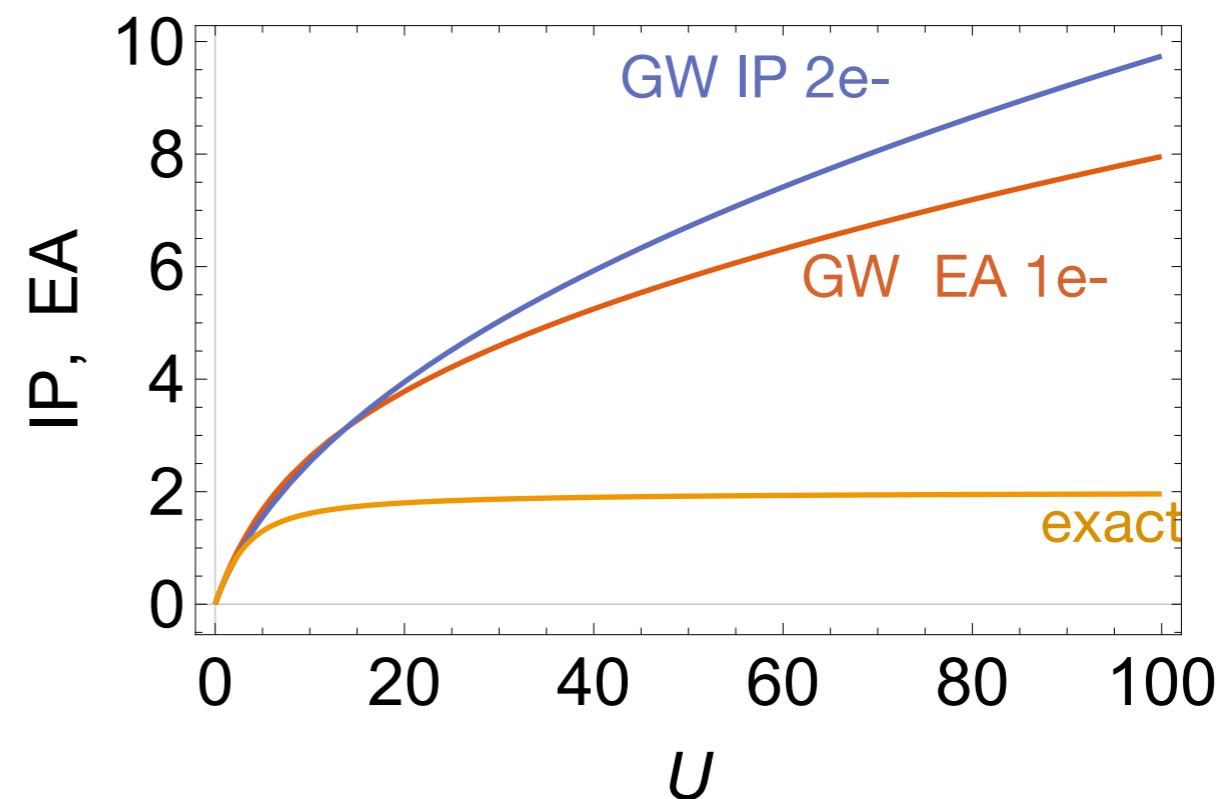
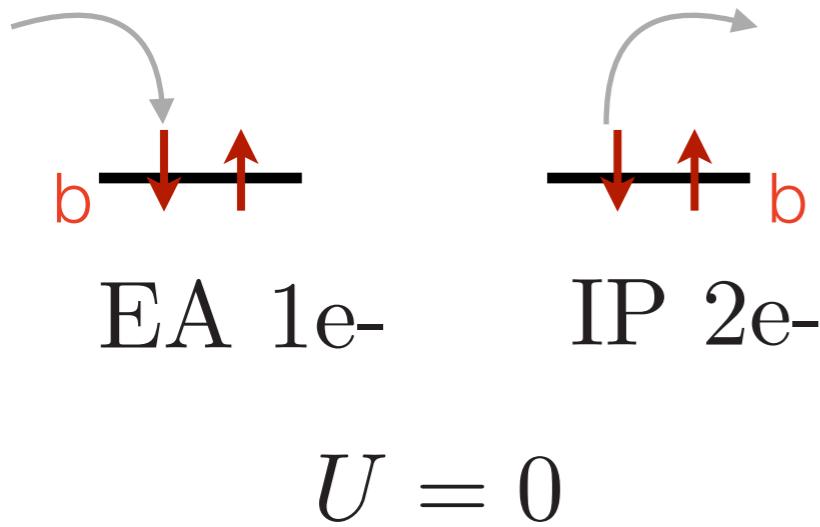
$$U = 0$$

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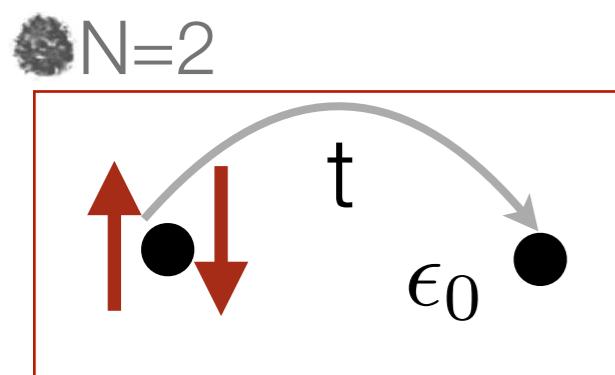


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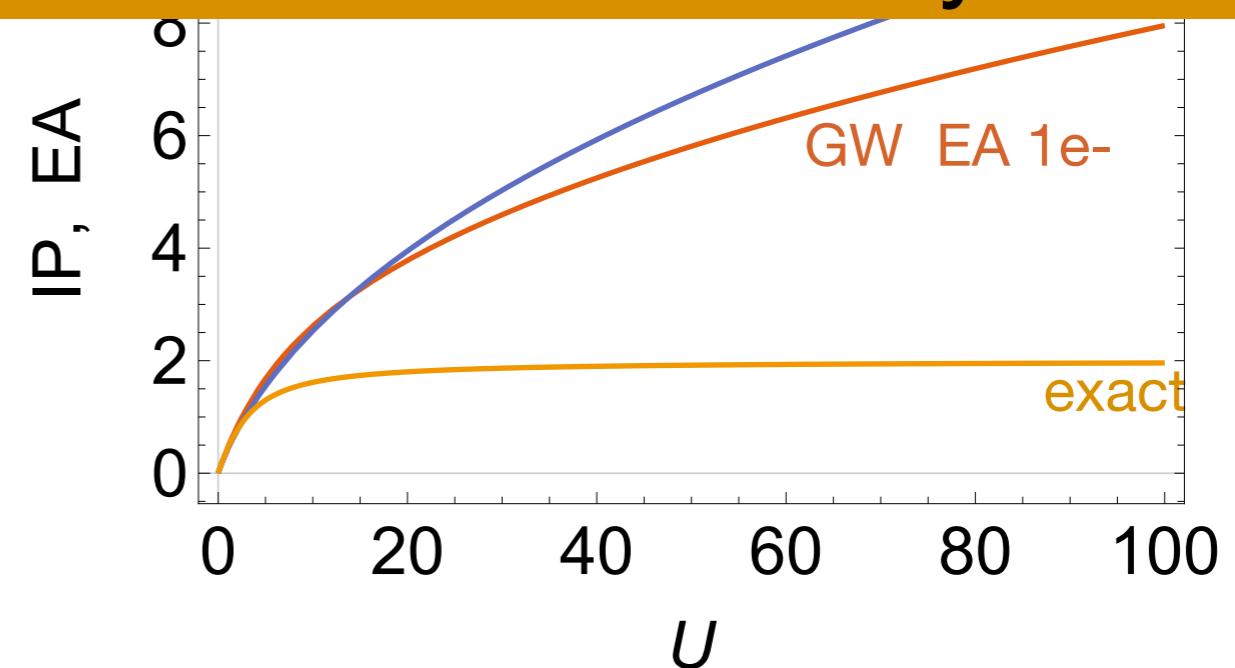
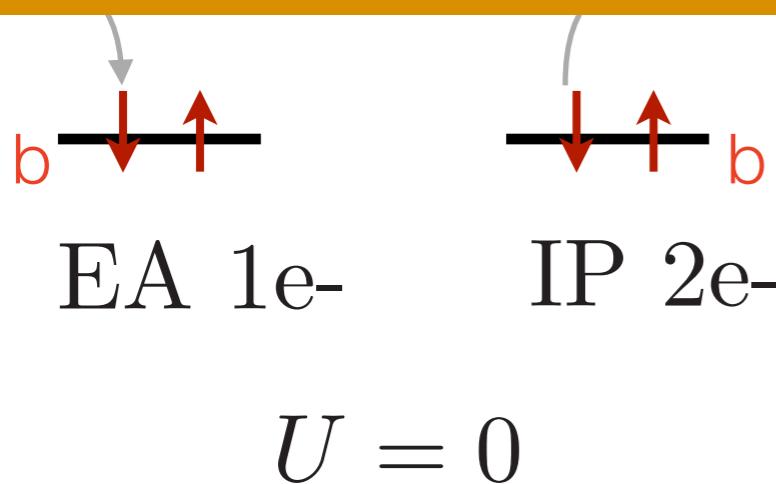
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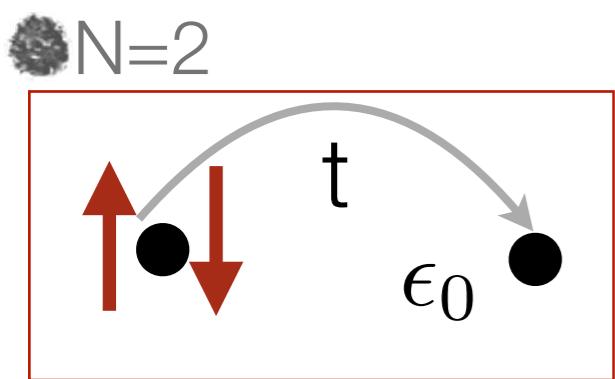
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Addition and removal of the same e^- is non-symmetric

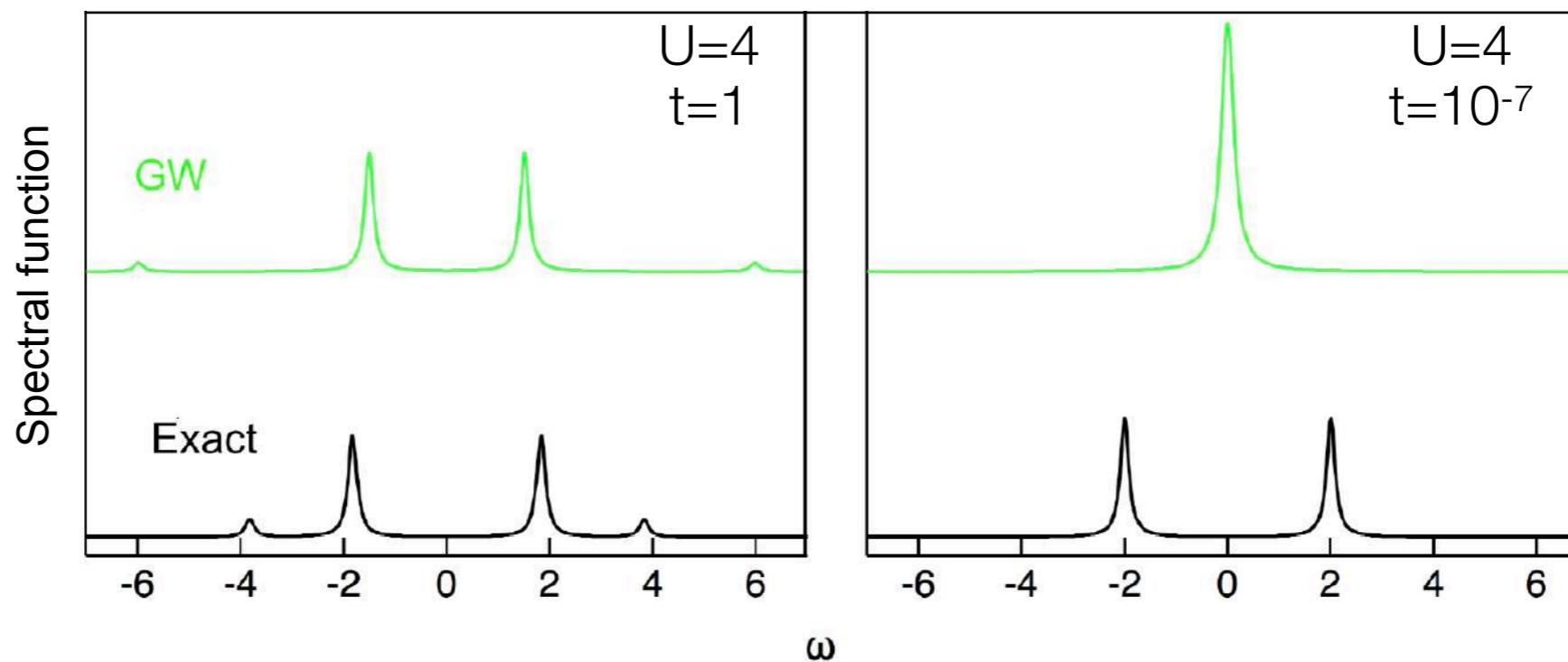


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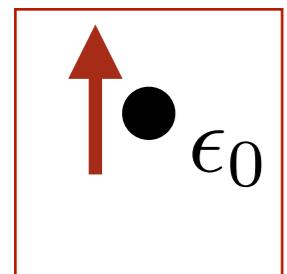
- Spectral function



no gap in GW! (1/2 \uparrow e- and 1/2 \downarrow e- on each site)

The Hubbard monomer: T-matrix solution

N=1



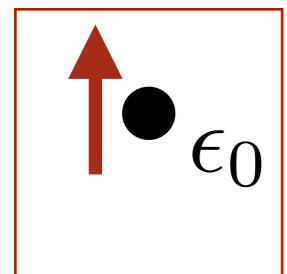
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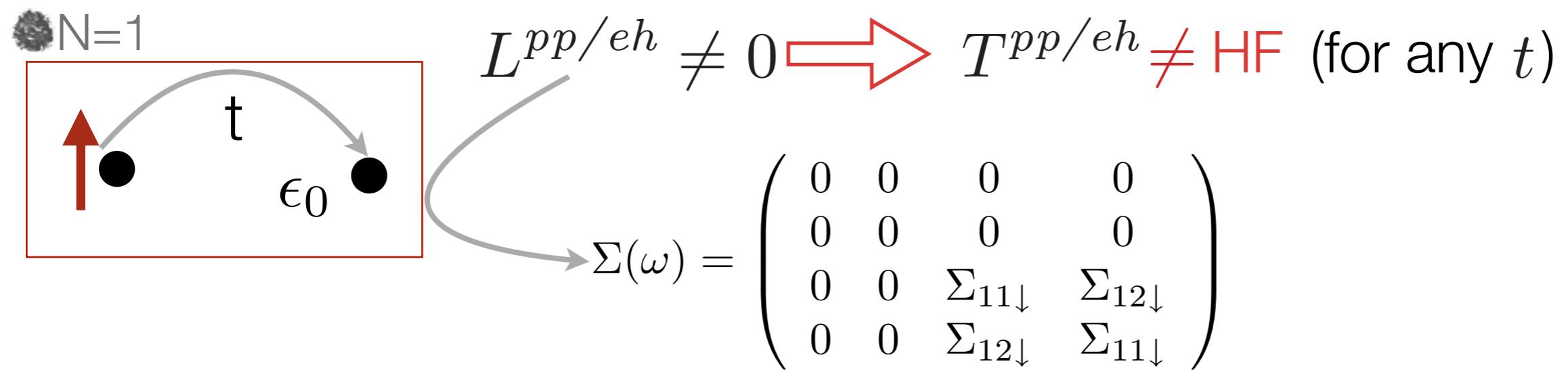
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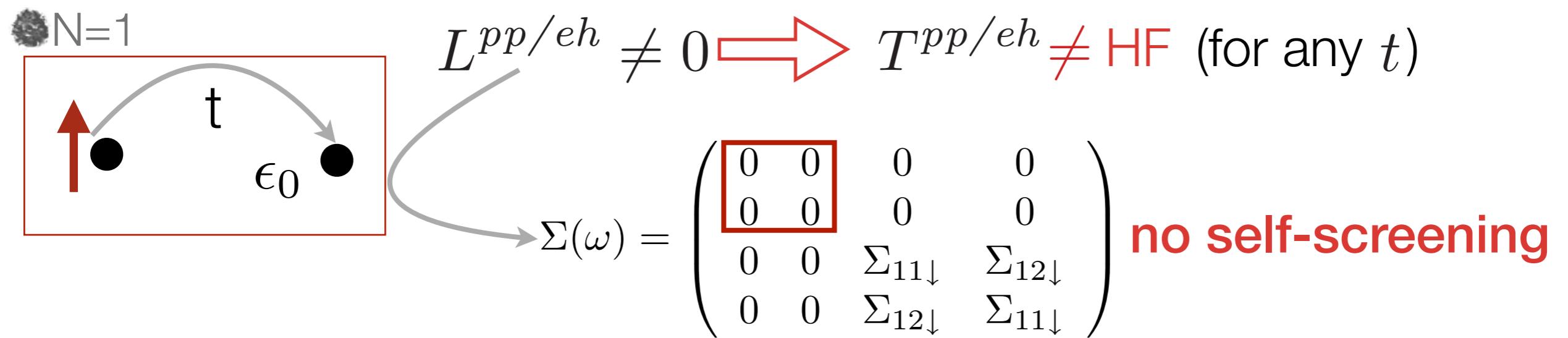
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T matrix is exact for two isolated sites

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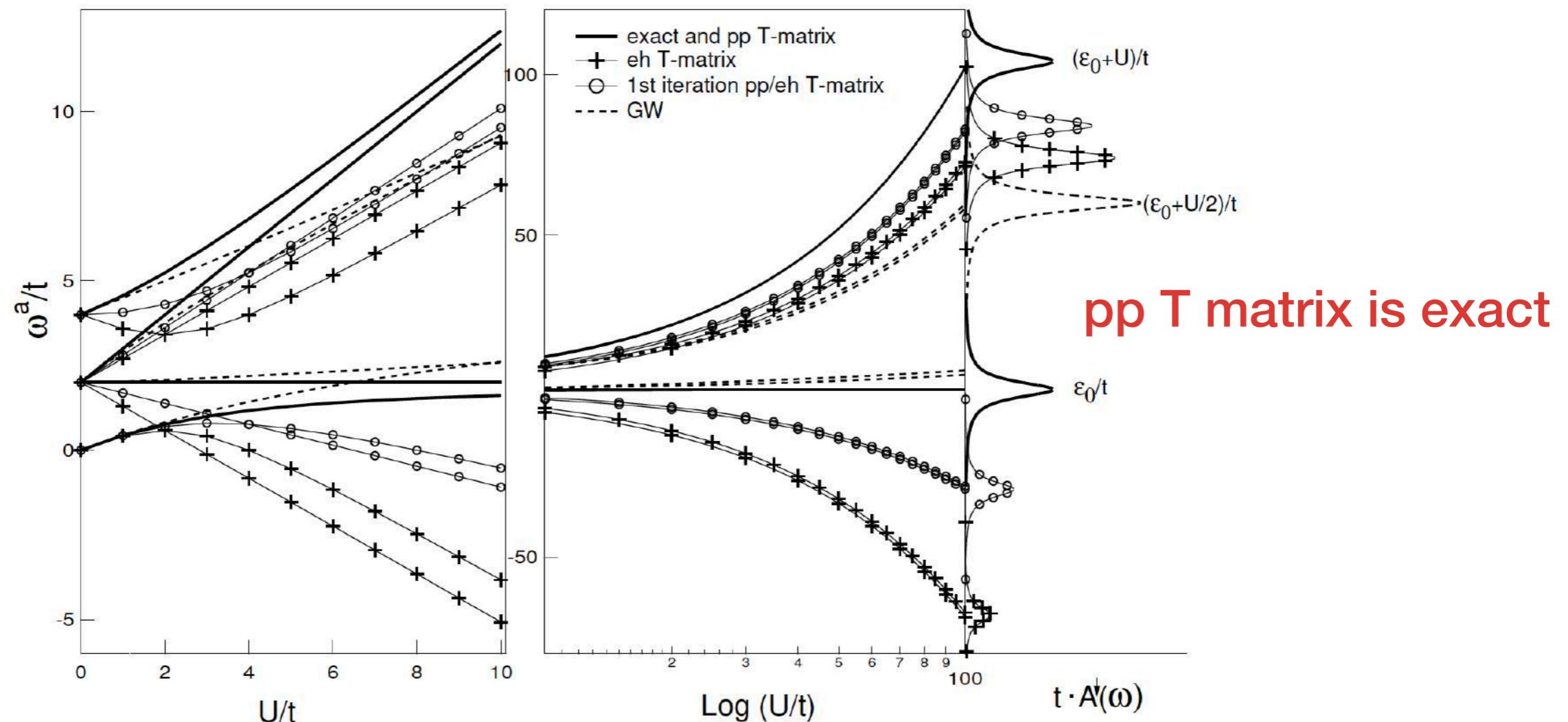


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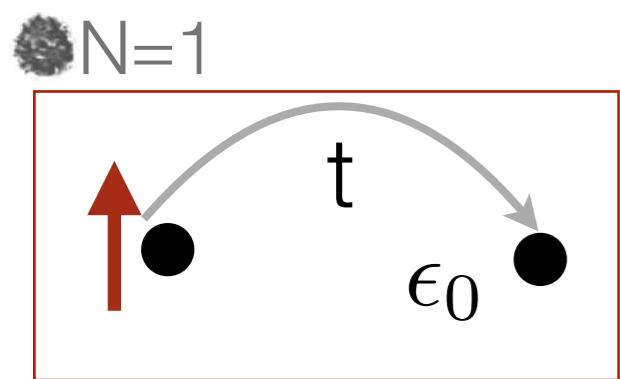
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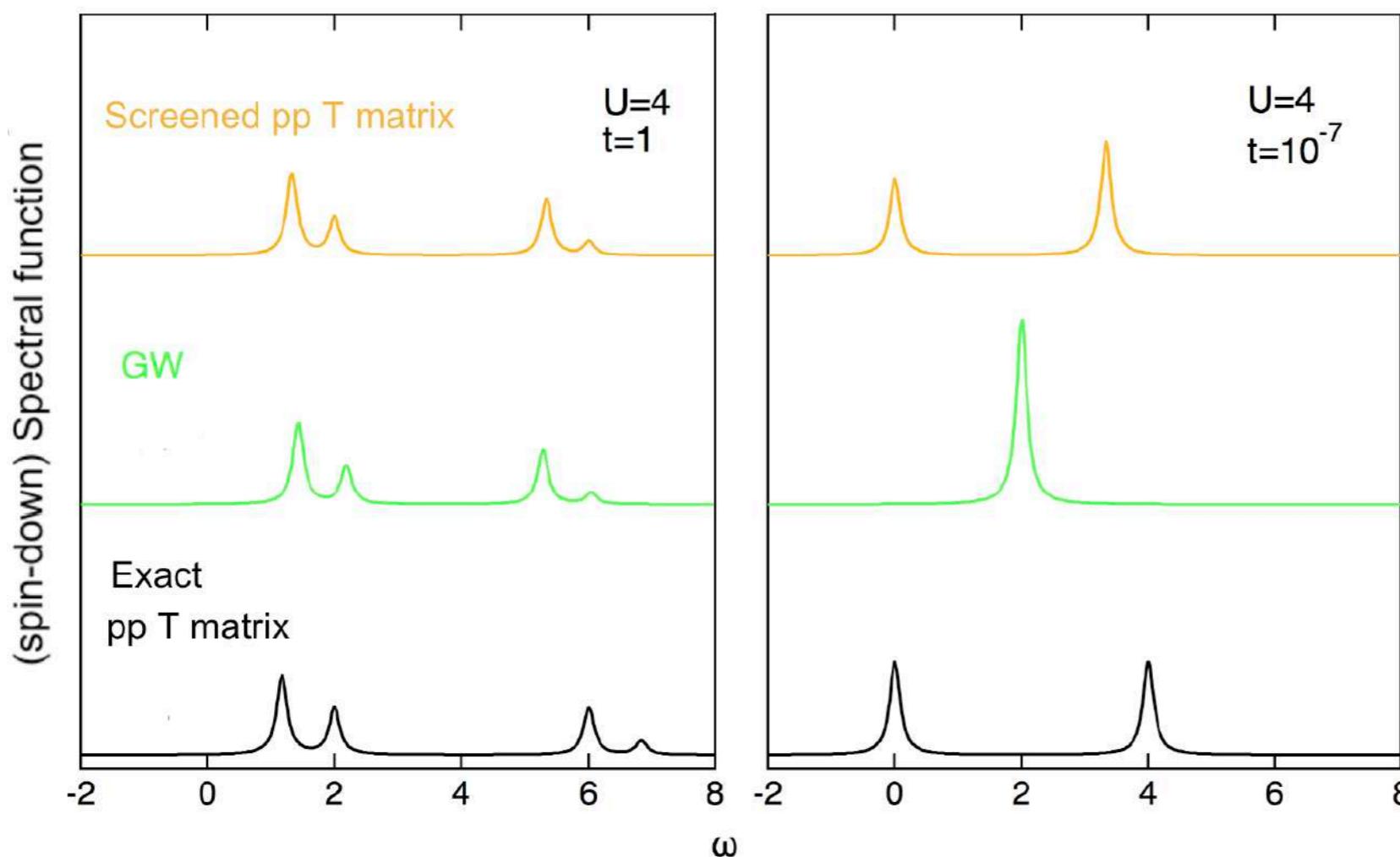


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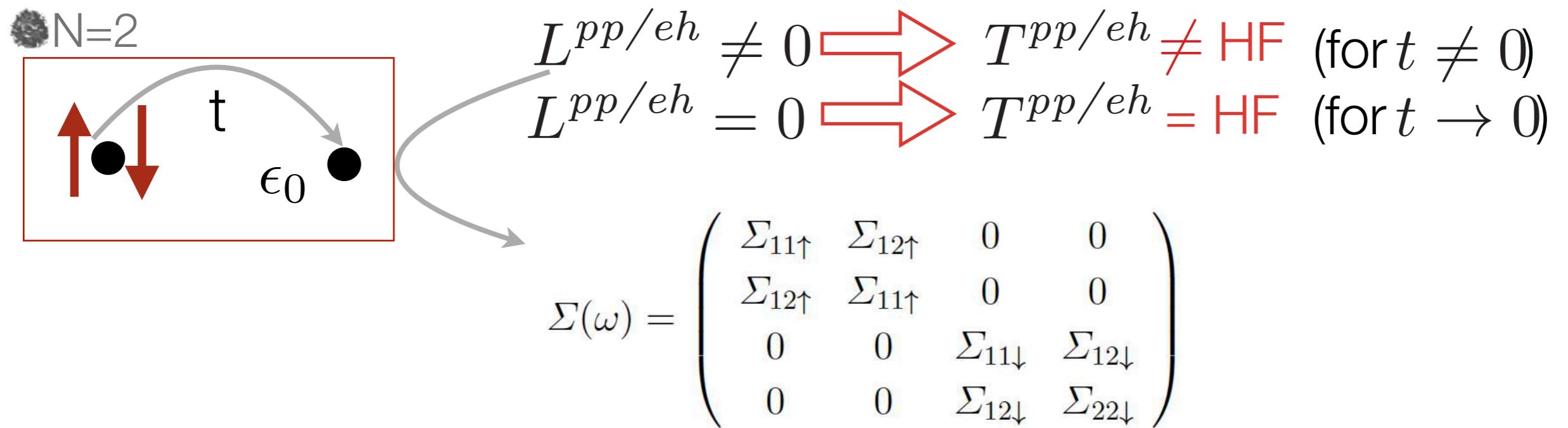
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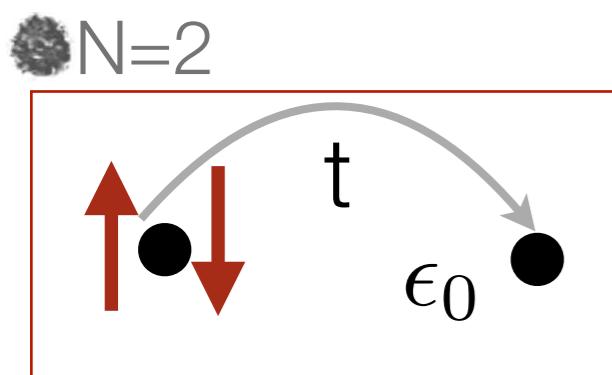


screening corrupts
the pp T exact result
(but results remain
good)

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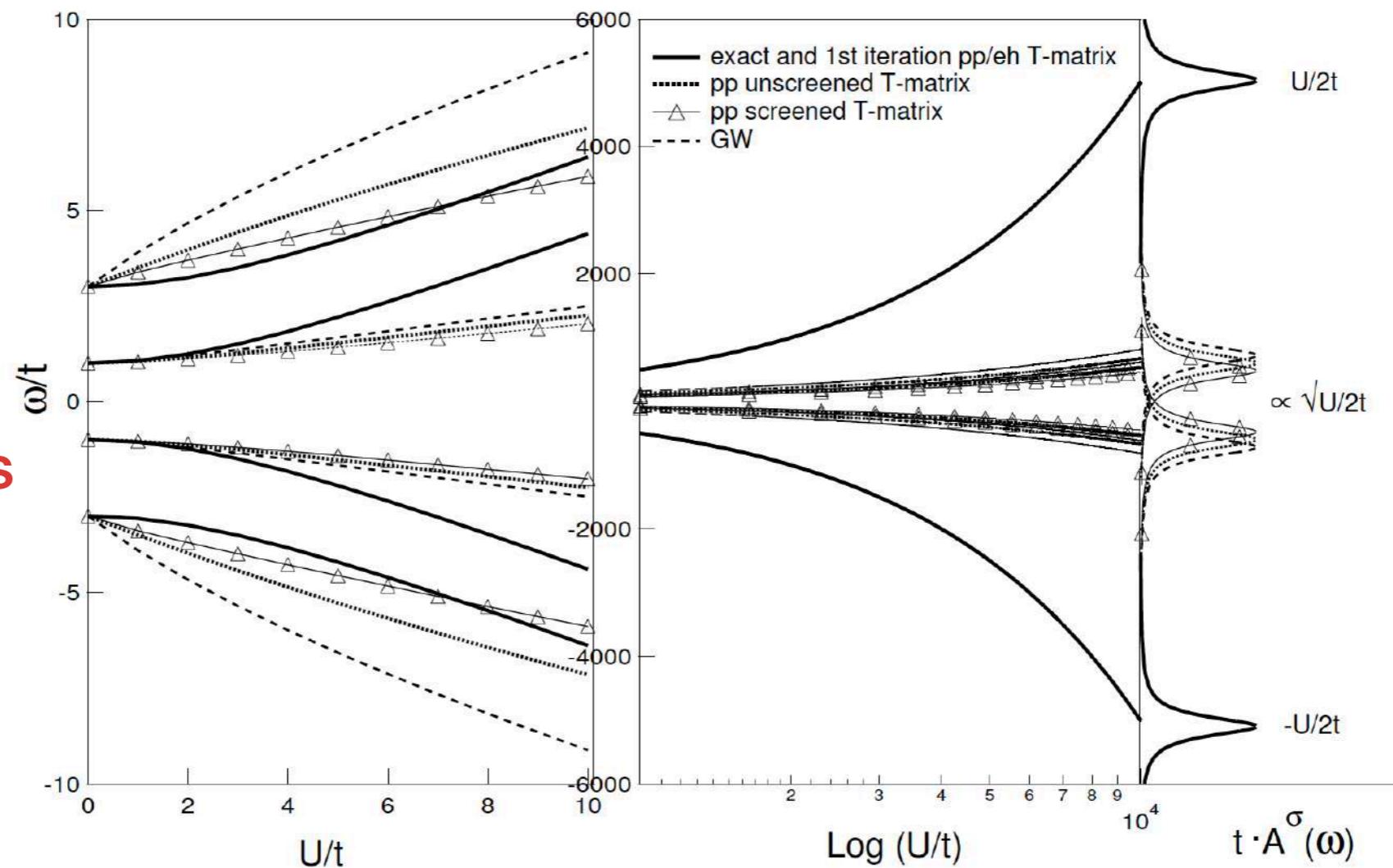


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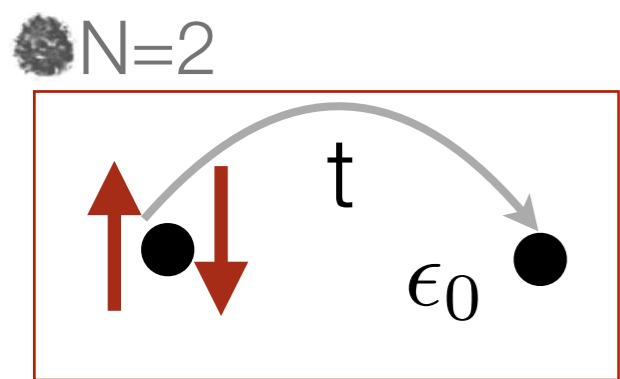
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- Removal/addition energies

screened pp T
improves satellites

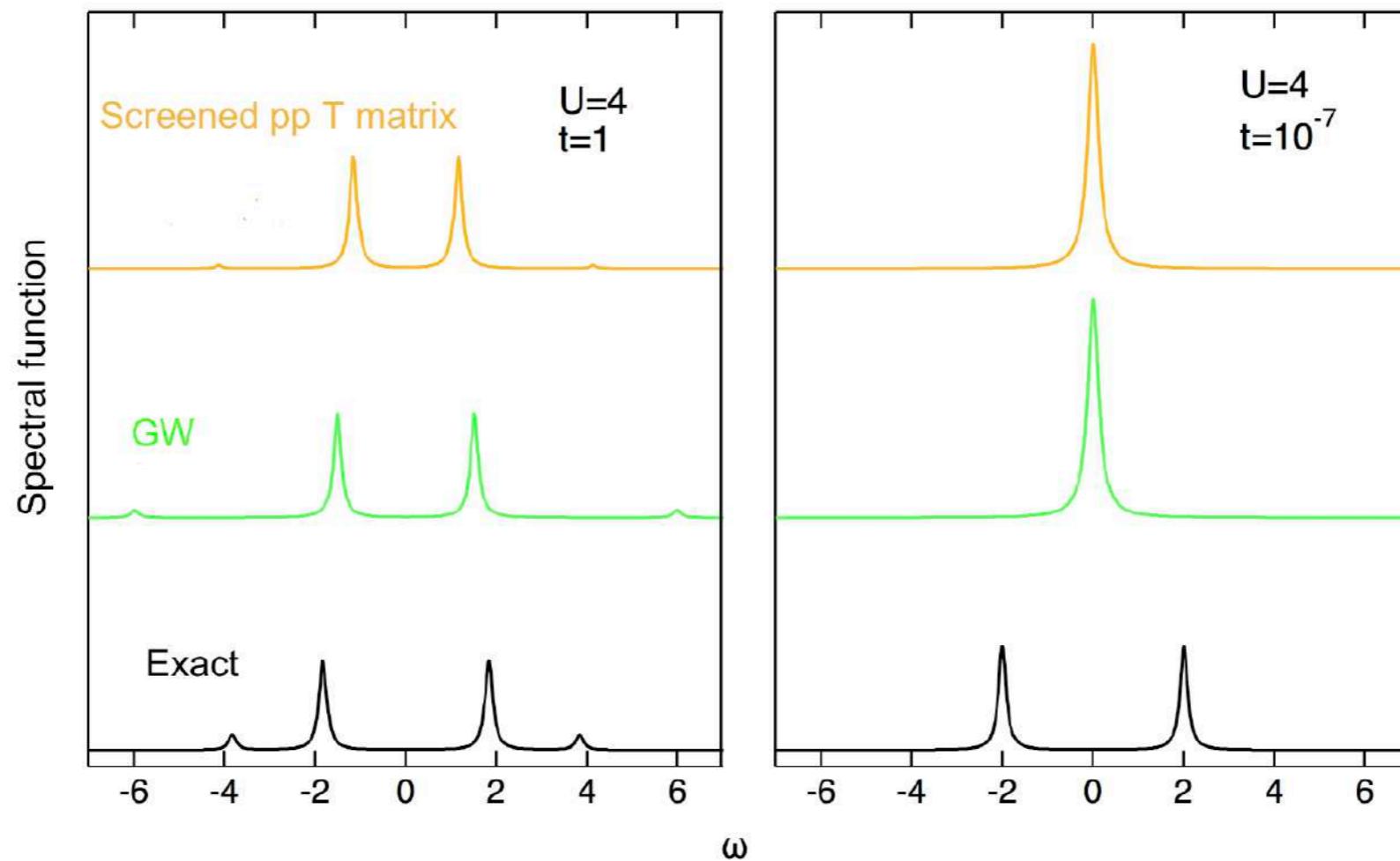


The Hubbard dimer: T-matrix solution



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- Spectral function



Conclusions

- GW suffers from two shortcomings:
 - self-screening (extra poles in 1e-, non symmetric addition/removal energies 1e-/2e-)
 - incorrect atomic limit (no gap in the Hubbard dimer)
- pp T matrix makes the one-electron case exact
- Screened pp T matrix improves the satellite description over a wide range of the interaction for the two-electron case
- Atomic limit remains a challenge

Open questions

- Why in the atomic limit is the pp screened T matrix exact for one electron but not for two electrons?
- Which approximation in the derivation of the T-matrix self-energy is harmless for the one-electron case, but dramatic for the two-electron case? And why?
- Will realistic systems be more forgiving than the Hubbard dimer when the screened pp T-matrix approximation is used?

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