

# Efficient treatment of phonons and frequency dependent interactions in DMFT

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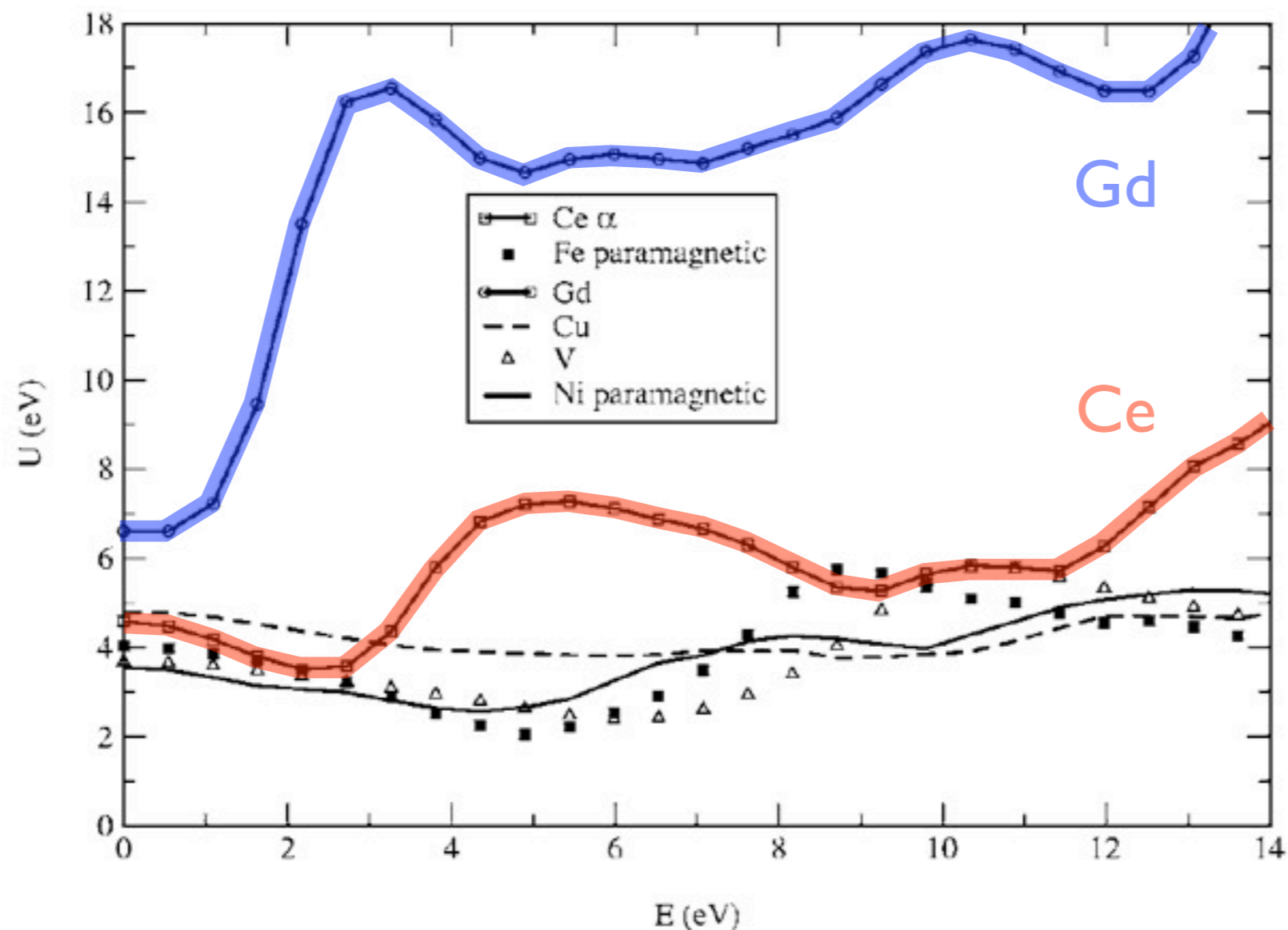
# Motivation

Aryasetiawan, Imada, Georges, Kotliar, Biermann & Lichtenstein, PRB (2005)

Aryasetiawan, Karlsson, Jepsen, Schönberger, PRB (2006)

Miyake and Aryasetiawan, PRB (2008)

- Gd, Ce, ... : ab-initio calculation of interaction parameters yields **strong frequency dependence**



# Outline

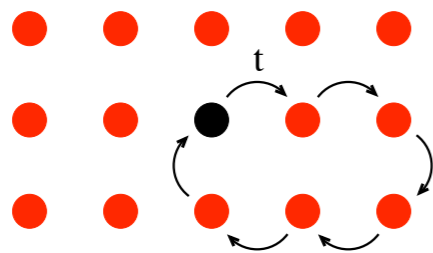
- **Introduction / reminder**
  - Hybridization expansion for the Hubbard model
- **Electron-phonon coupling**
  - Hybridization expansion for the Holstein-Hubbard model
- **Frequency-dependent interactions**
  - Frequency-dependent  $U$  for the Holstein-Hubbard model
  - General formalism
- **Application**
  - Metal-insulator transition
  
- **Collaborators**
  - Andy Millis (Columbia)

# Dynamical mean field theory

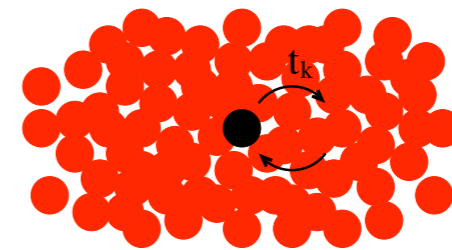
Metzner & Vollhardt, PRL (1989)  
Georges & Kotliar, PRB (1992)

- Self-consistency loop

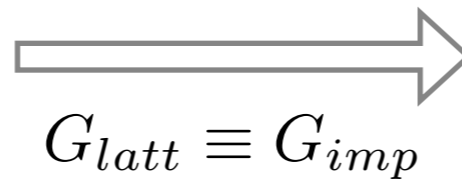
lattice model



impurity model



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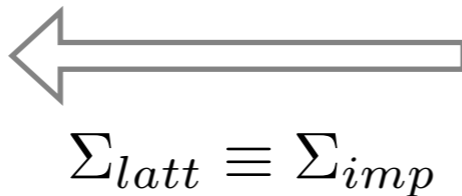


$H_{imp}$

$$\int dk \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu - \epsilon_k - \Sigma_{latt}}$$

impurity solver

$\Sigma_{latt}$



$G_{imp}, \Sigma_{imp}$

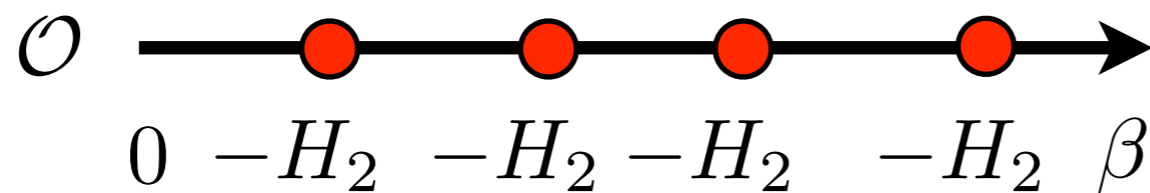
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- Weak-coupling expansion:  $H_2 =$  interaction term
- “Strong-coupling” expansion:  $H_2 =$  hybridization term

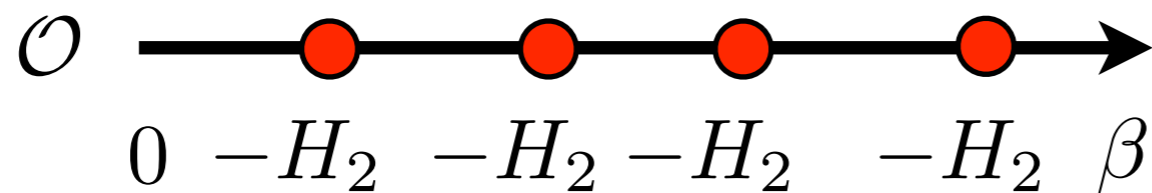
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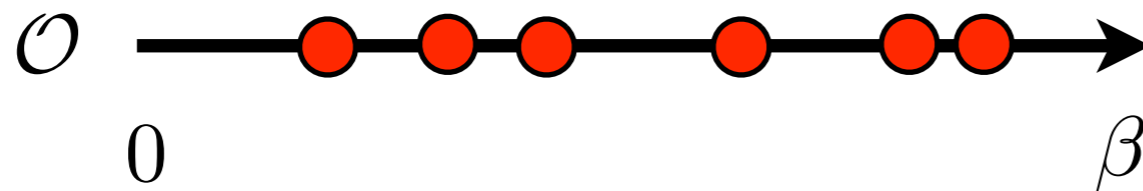
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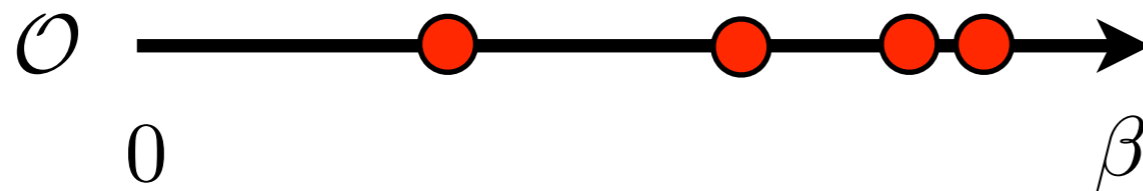
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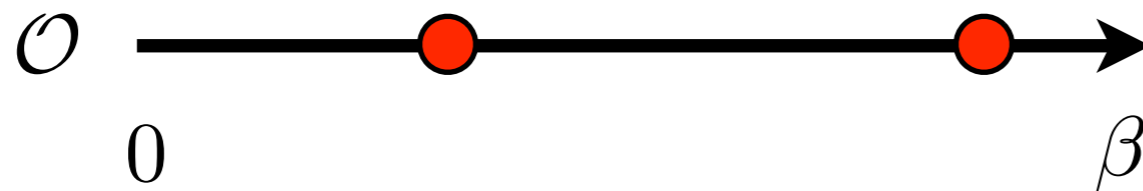
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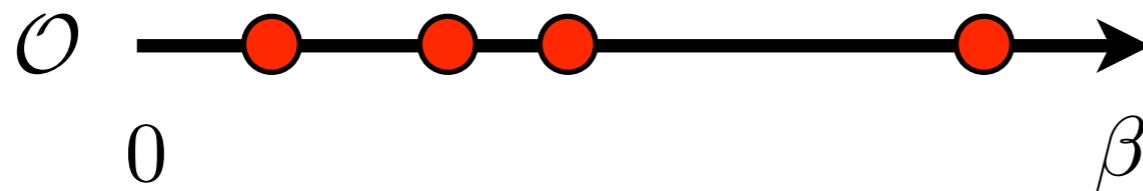
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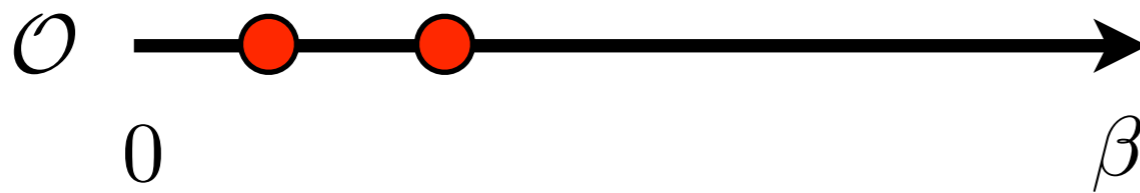
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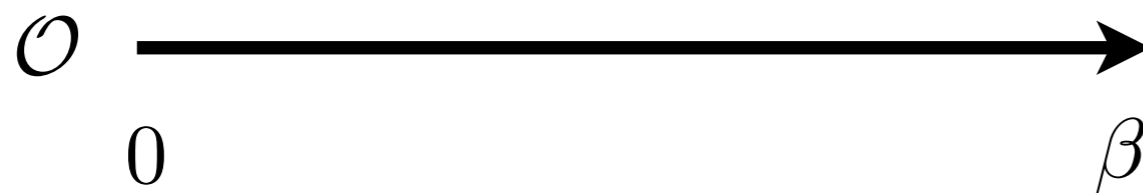
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- Hybridization expansion for the **Hubbard model**

$$H = \underbrace{H_{\text{loc}} + H_{\text{bath}}}_{H_1} + \underbrace{H_{\text{hyb}}}_{H_2}$$

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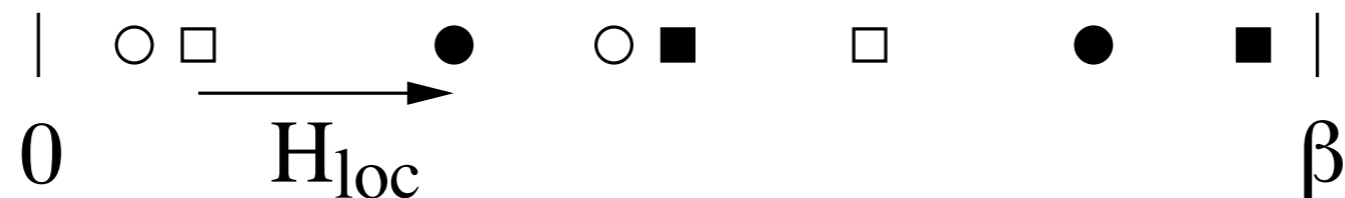
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- Compute  $Tr_c Tr_a [\dots]$

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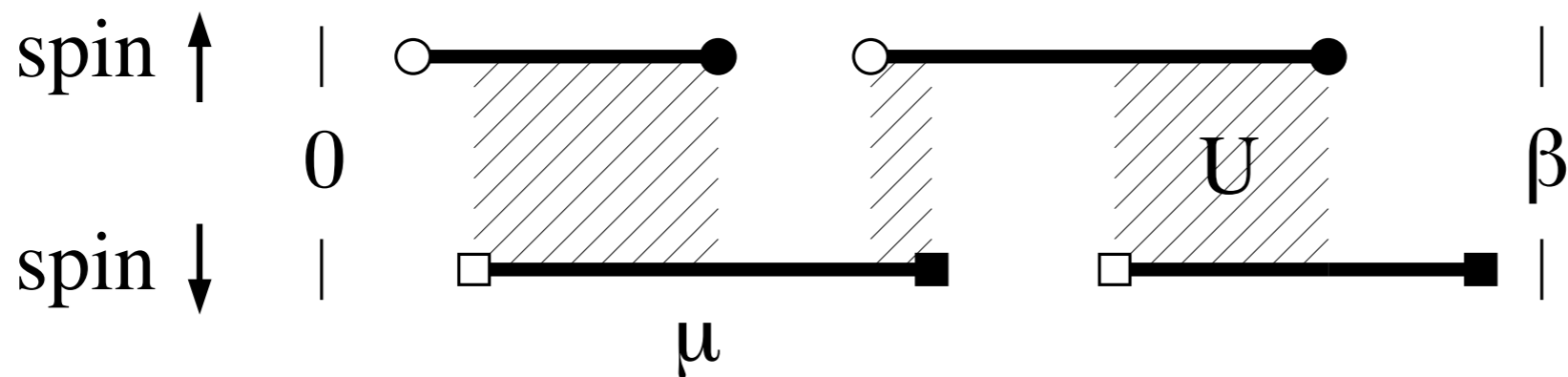
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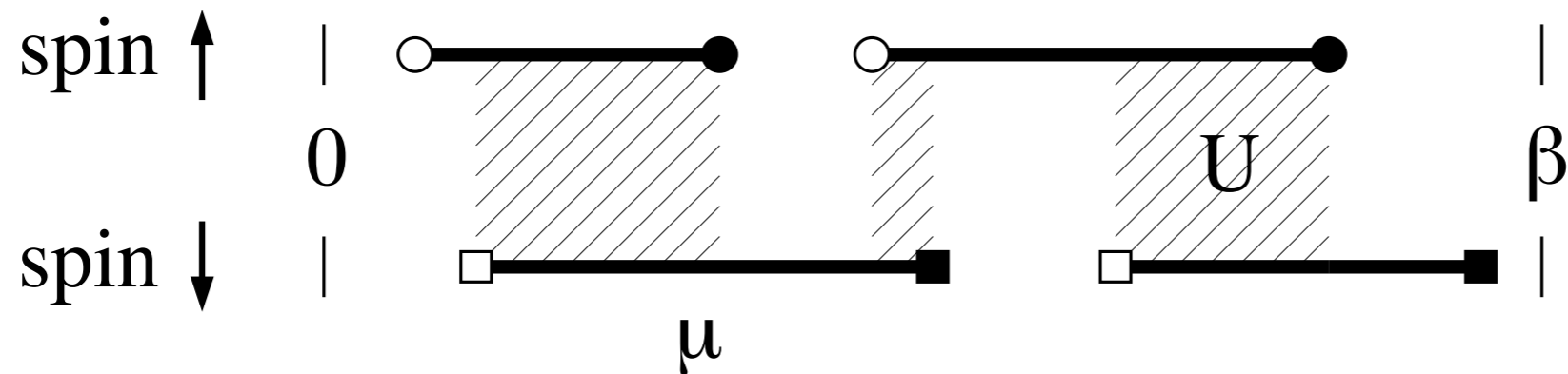
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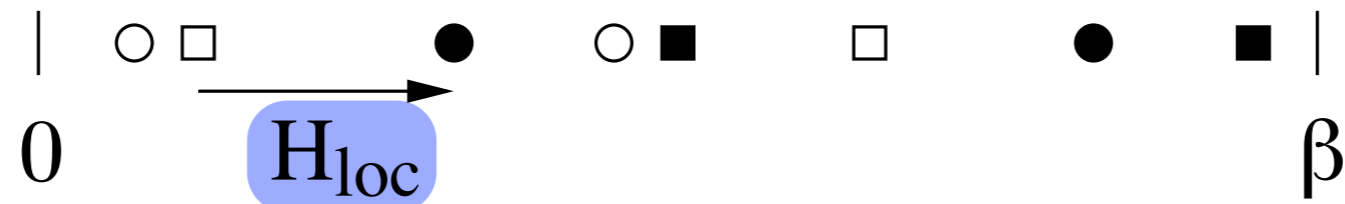
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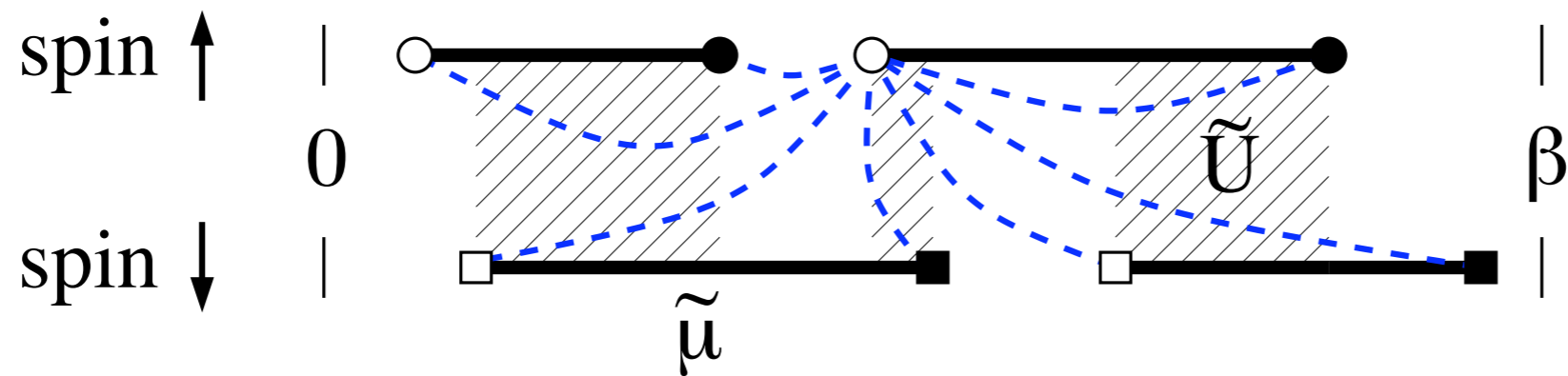
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# Holstein phonons

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- **Decouple electrons and phonons** by Lang-Firsov transformation

$$H_{\text{loc}} = -\mu(n_{\uparrow} + n_{\downarrow}) + Un_{\uparrow}n_{\downarrow} + \lambda(n_{\uparrow} + n_{\downarrow} - 1)\sqrt{2}X + \frac{\omega_0}{2}(X^2 + P^2)$$

$$X = \frac{b^{\dagger} + b}{\sqrt{2}}, P = \frac{b^{\dagger} - b}{i\sqrt{2}}, [P, X] = i$$

- Shift  $X$  by  $X_0 = (\sqrt{2}\lambda/\omega_0)(n_{\uparrow} + n_{\downarrow} - 1)$  using  $e^{iPX_0}$

$$\tilde{H}_{\text{loc}} = e^{iPX_0} H_{\text{loc}} e^{-iPX_0} = \underbrace{-\tilde{\mu}(n_{\uparrow} + n_{\downarrow}) + \tilde{U}n_{\uparrow}n_{\downarrow}}_{\tilde{H}_{\text{loc}}^{\text{Hubbard}}} + \frac{\omega_0}{2}(X^2 + P^2)$$

$$\tilde{\mu} = \mu - \lambda^2/\omega_0$$

$$\tilde{U} = U - 2\lambda^2/\omega_0$$

$$\tilde{c}_{\sigma} = e^{-\frac{\lambda}{\omega_0}(b^{\dagger} - b)} c_{\sigma}$$

$$\tilde{w}_{\text{Hubbard}}(\{O_i(\tau_i)\})$$



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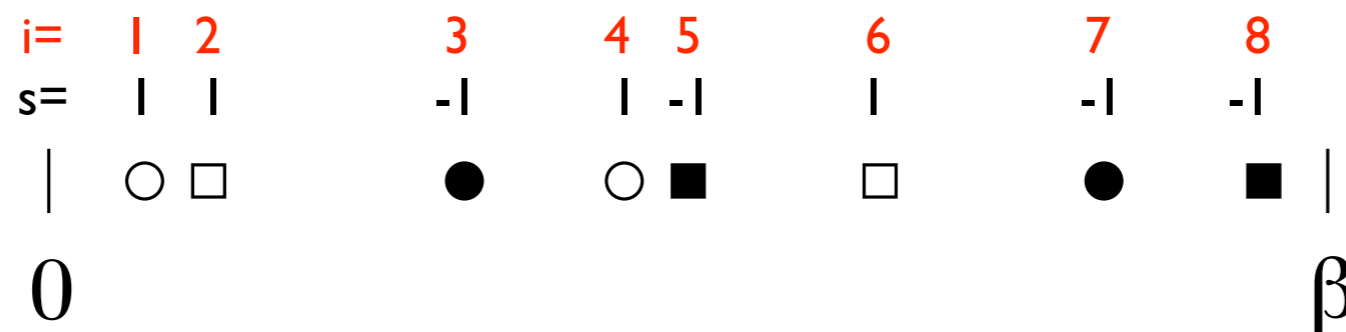
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- Phonon contribution

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$$A(\tau) = \frac{\lambda}{\omega_0} (e^{\omega_0\tau} b^\dagger - e^{-\omega_0\tau} b)$$

$$w_{\text{phonon}}(\{O_i(\tau_i)\}) = \exp \left[ -\frac{\lambda^2}{\omega_0^2} \frac{1}{\sinh\left(\frac{\beta\omega_0}{2}\right)} \left\{ n \cosh\left(\frac{\beta\omega_0}{2}\right) + \sum_{2n \geq i > j \geq 1} s_i s_j \cosh\left(\left(\frac{\beta}{2} - (\tau_i - \tau_j)\right)\omega_0\right) \right\} \right]$$



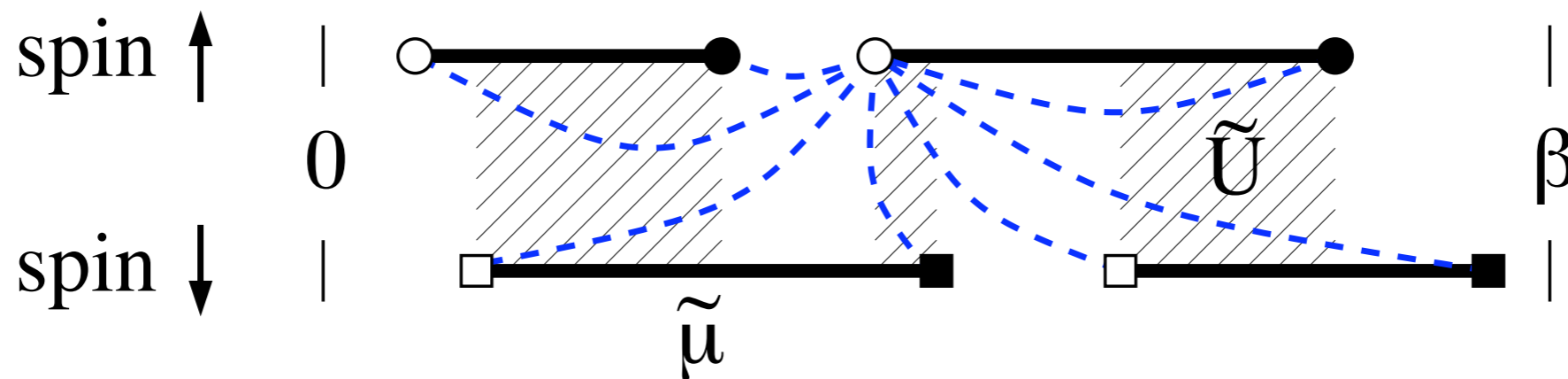
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$$w_{\text{Holstein-Hubbard}}(\{O_i(\tau_i)\}) = \tilde{w}_{\text{Hubbard}}(\{O_i(\tau_i)\}) w_{\text{phonon}}(\{O_i(\tau_i)\})$$

- Phonons yield additional (nonlocal) interaction between segment end points

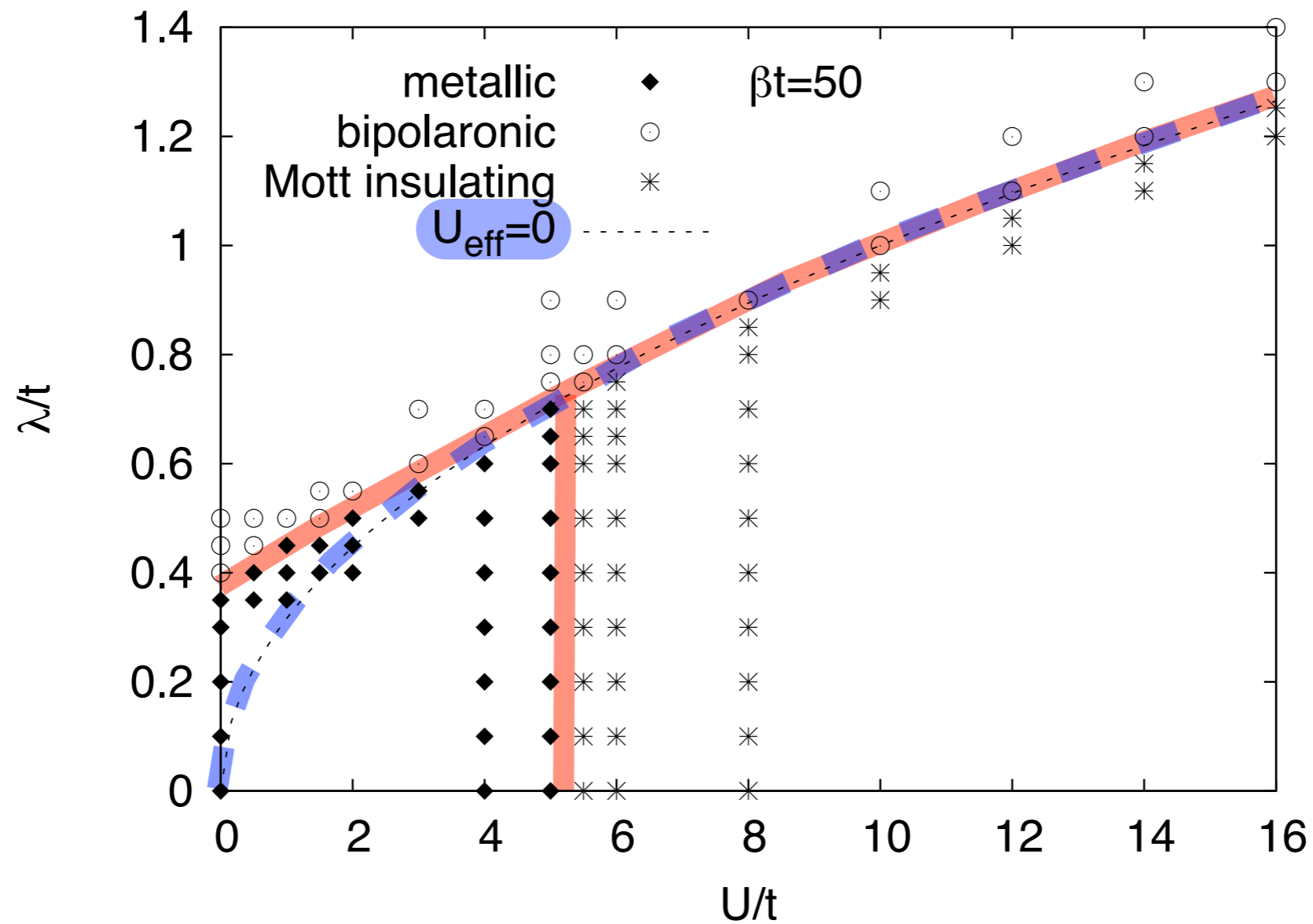


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bandwidth = 4,  $\omega_0 = 0.2$



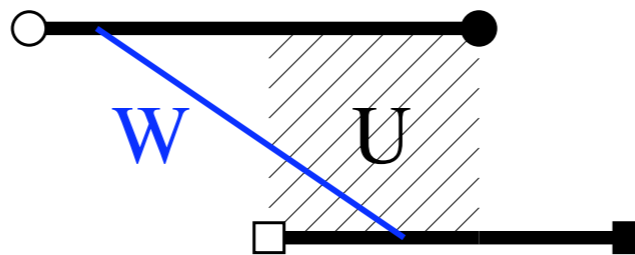
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- Contribution from one pair of segments



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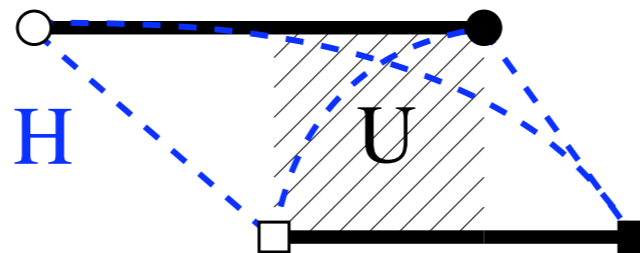
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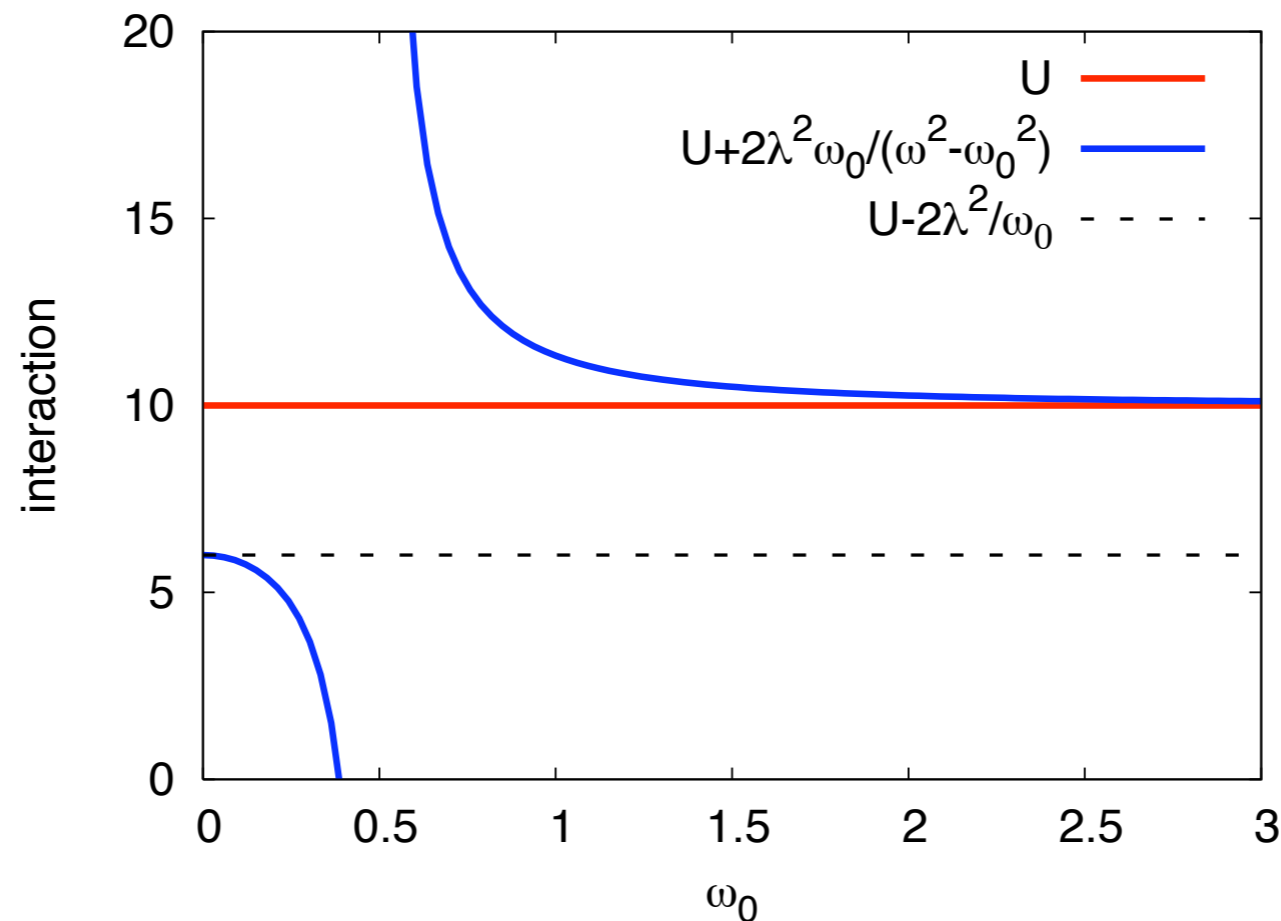
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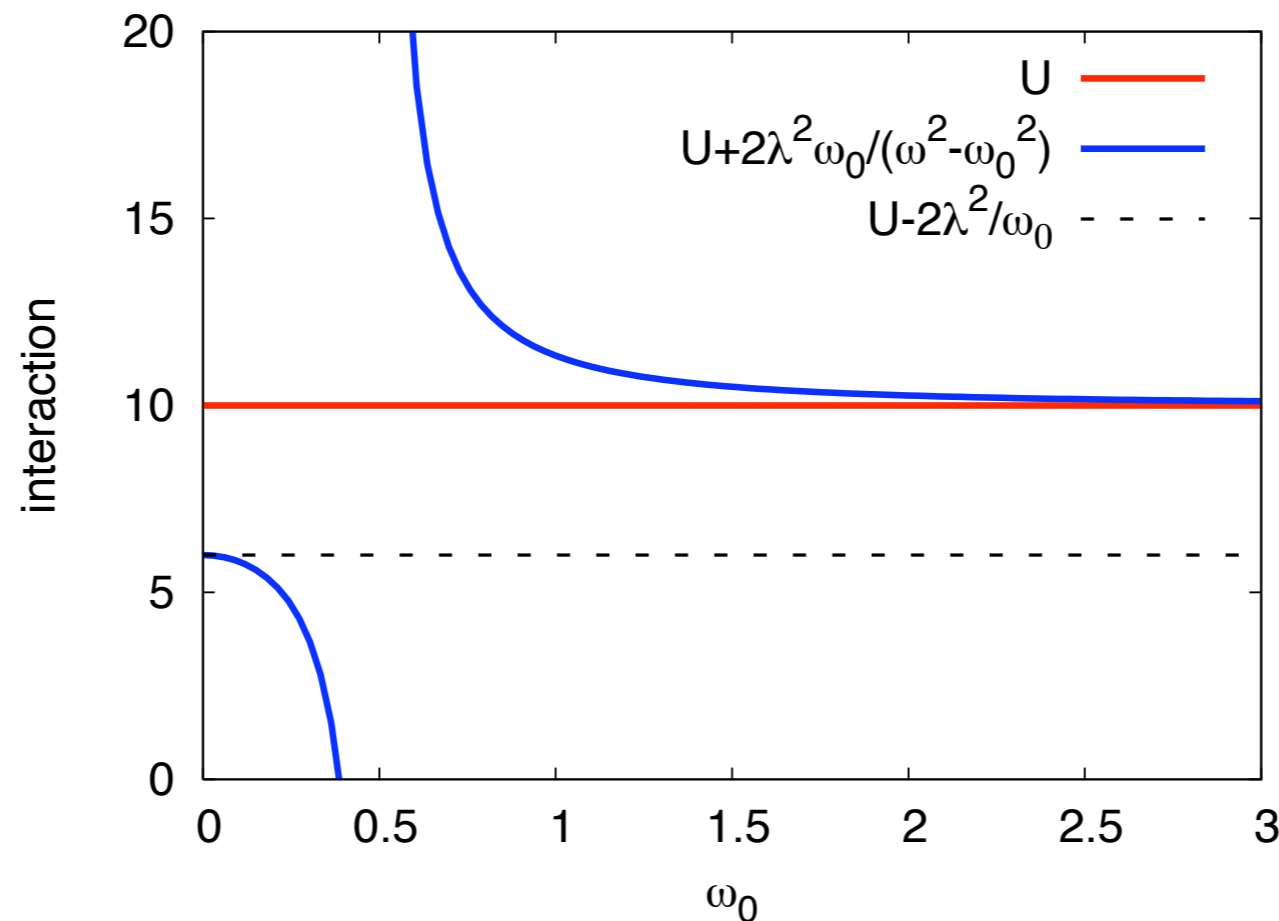
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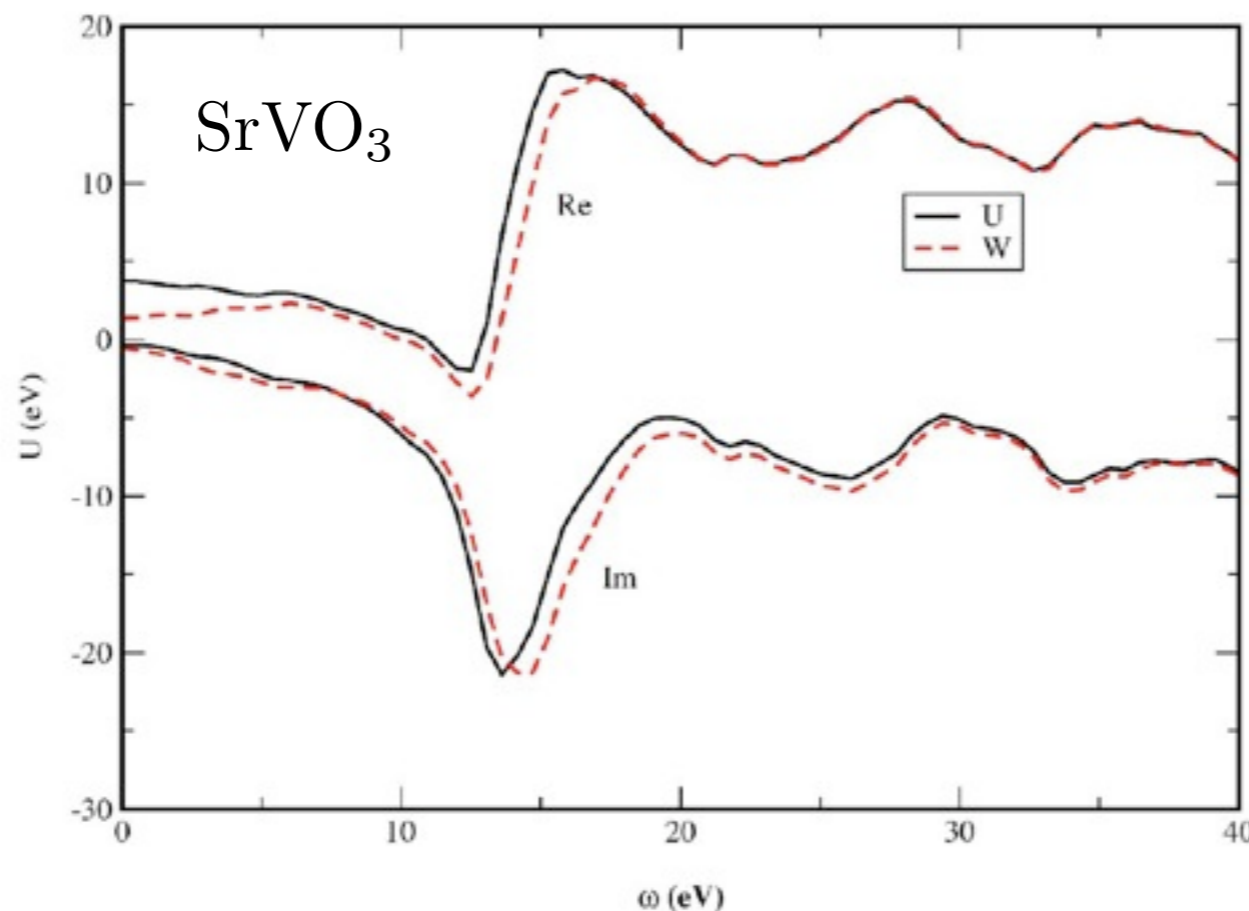
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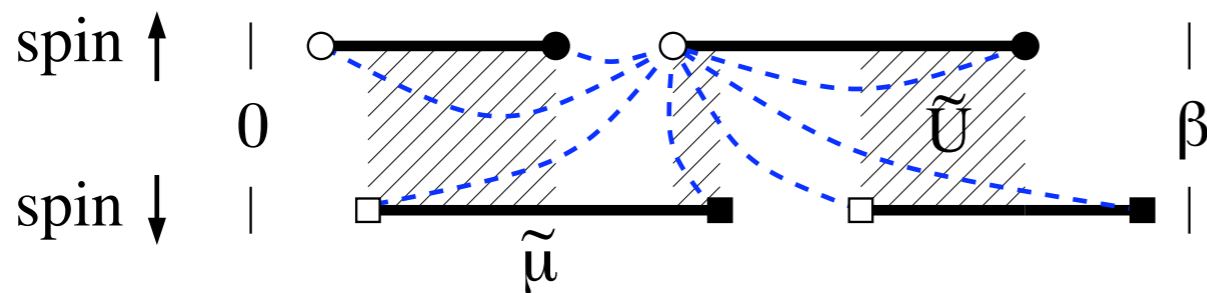
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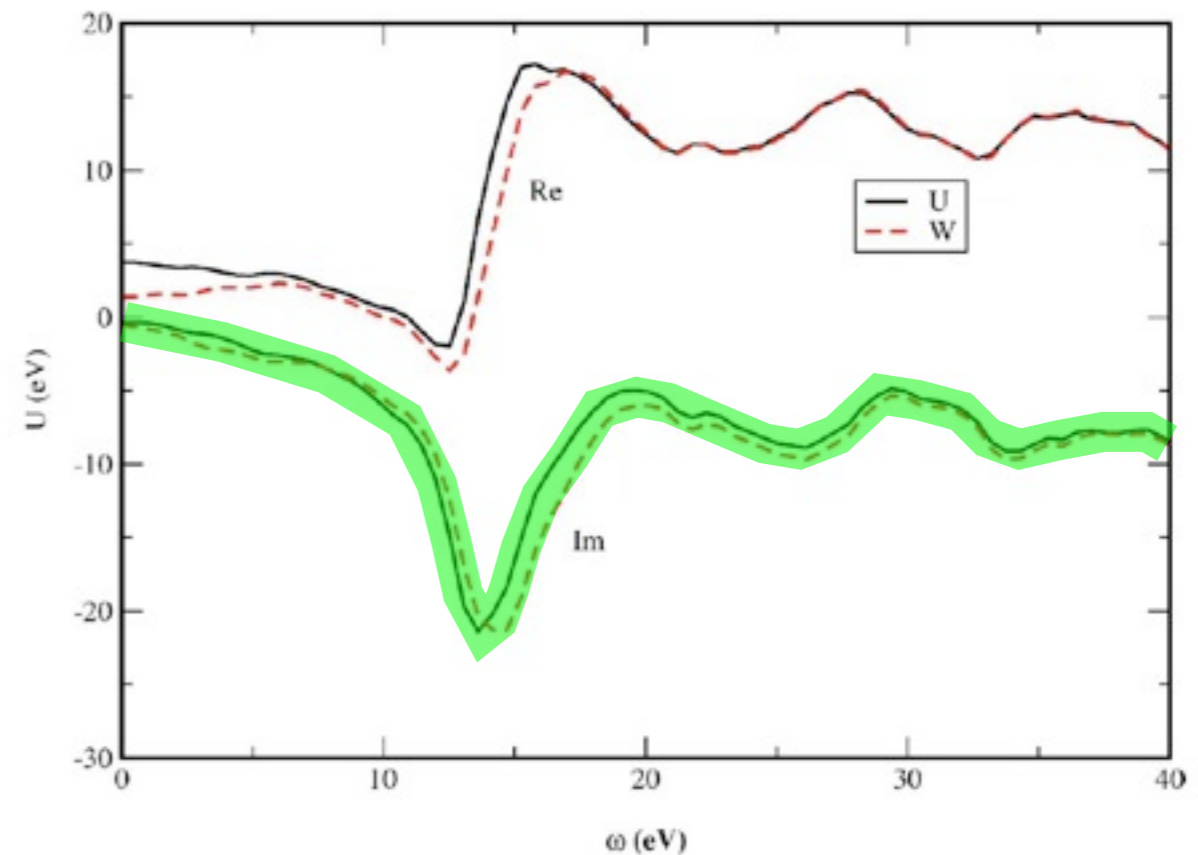
Werner & Millis, in preparation

- Non-local interaction for arbitrary  $\text{Im}[W(\omega)]$

$$W(\tau) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\text{Im}[W(\omega)]}{\pi} \frac{\cosh((\beta/2 - \tau)\omega)}{\sinh(\beta\omega/2)}$$



Werner & Millis, PRL (2007)

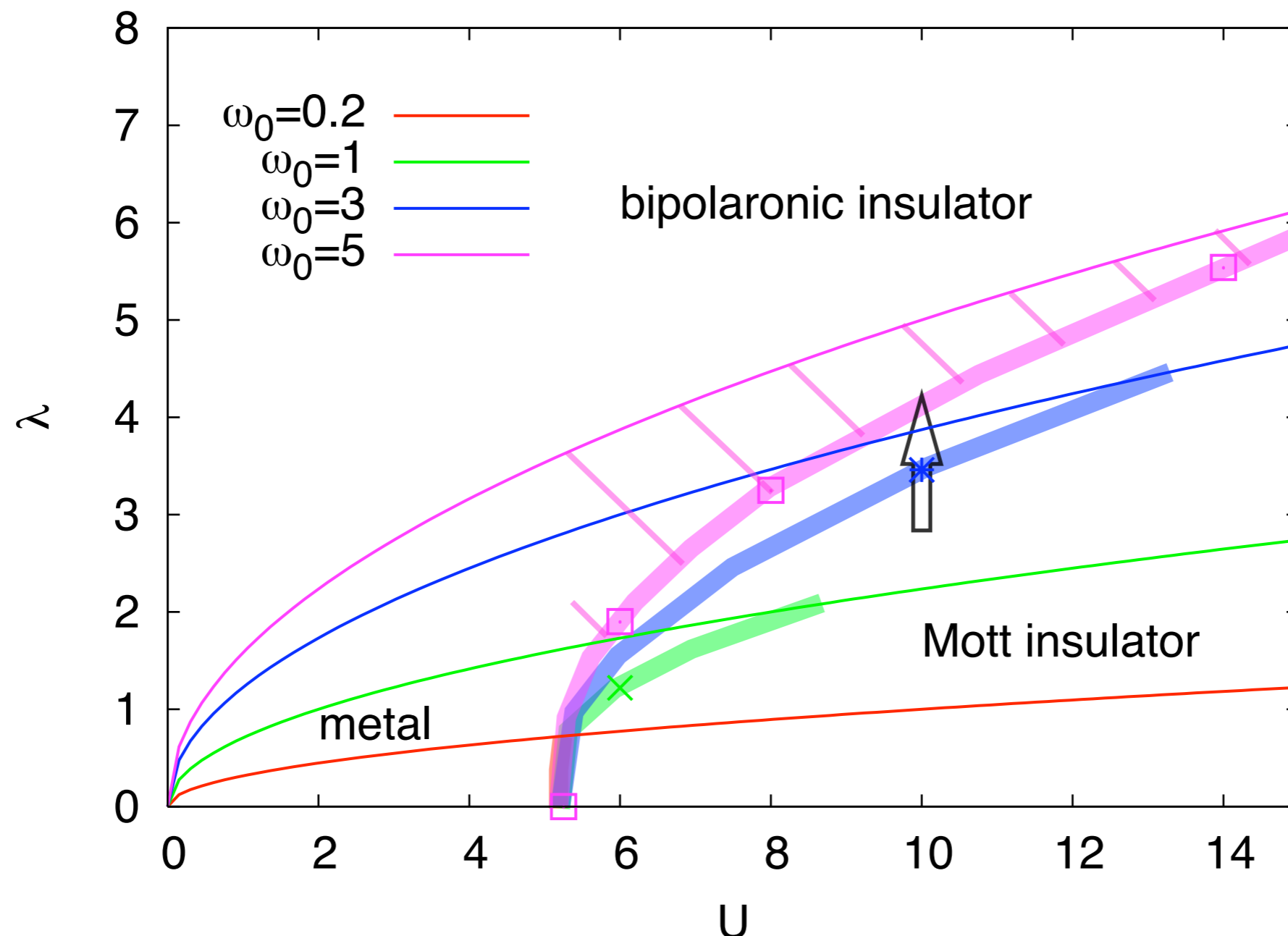


Aryasetiawan et al., PRB (2004)

# Metal-insulator transition

Werner & Millis, in preparation

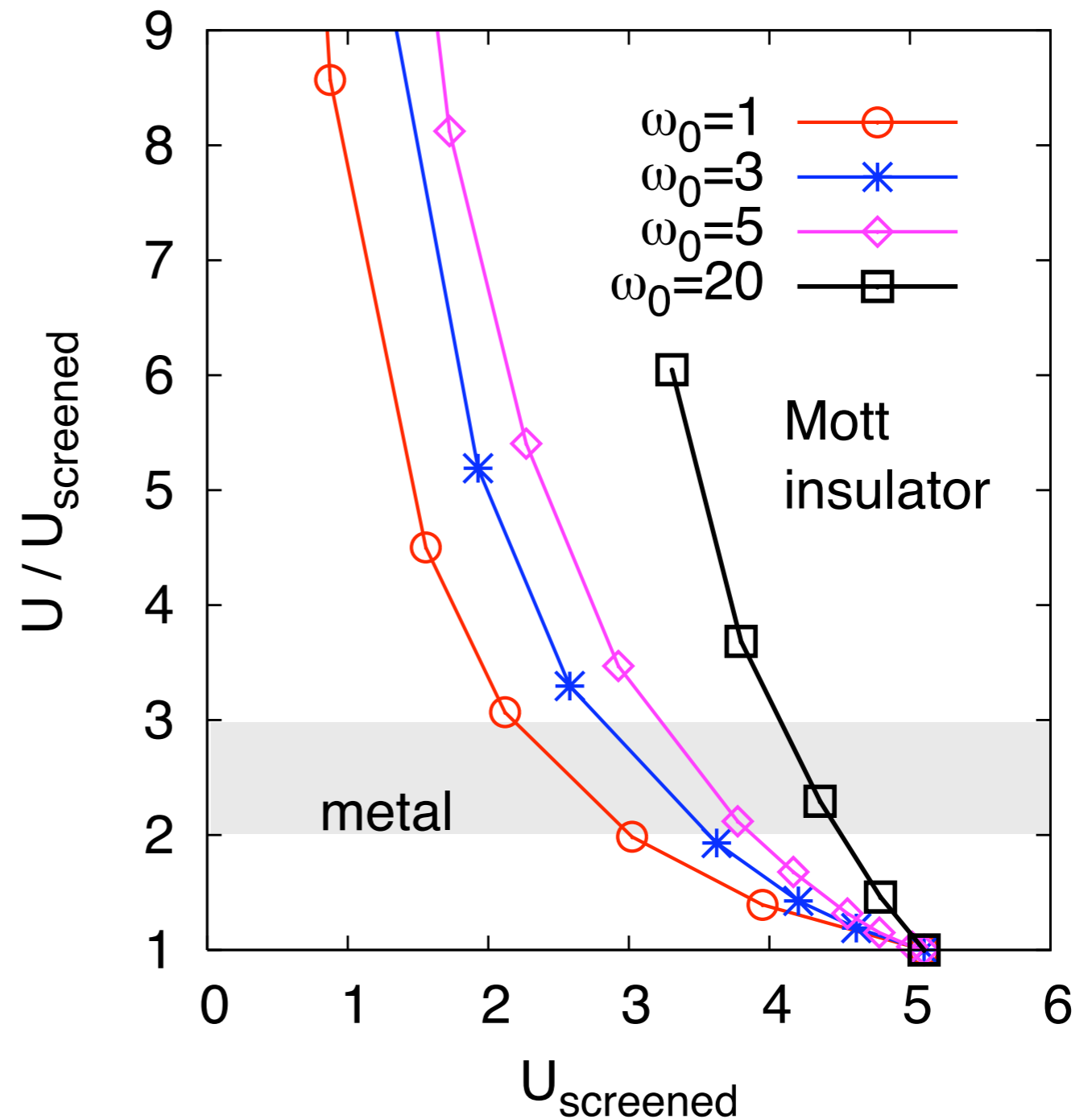
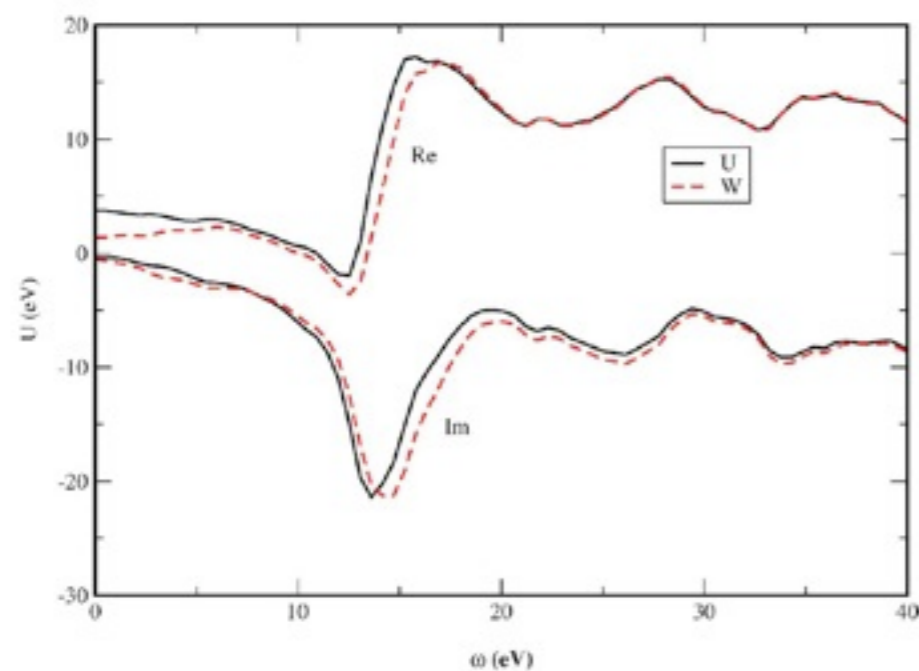
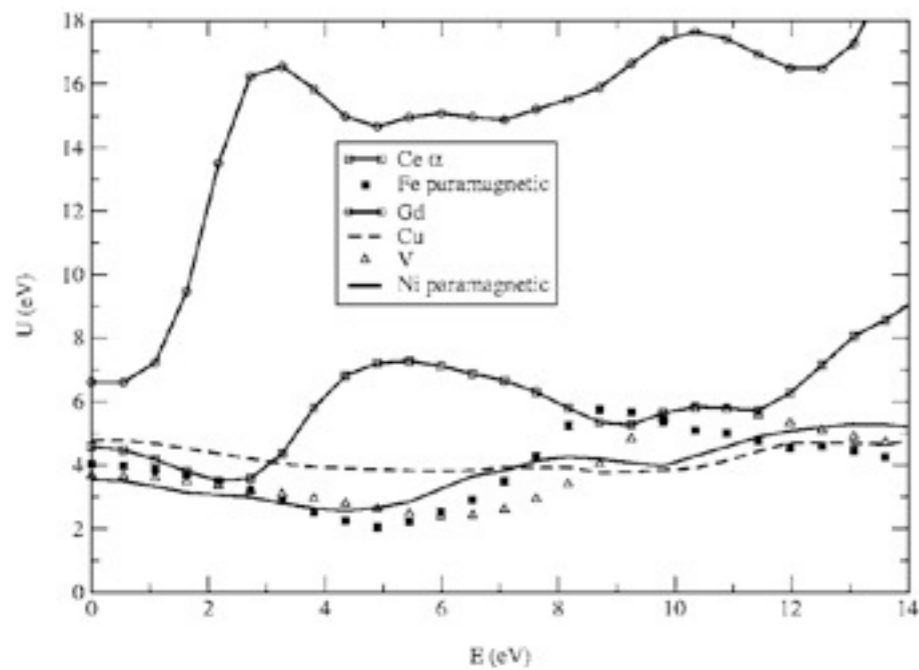
- Holstein-Hubbard model with  $\omega_0 \sim$  bandwidth
- Insulator-metal transition at  $U \gg U_{c2}$  induced by increasing  $\lambda$



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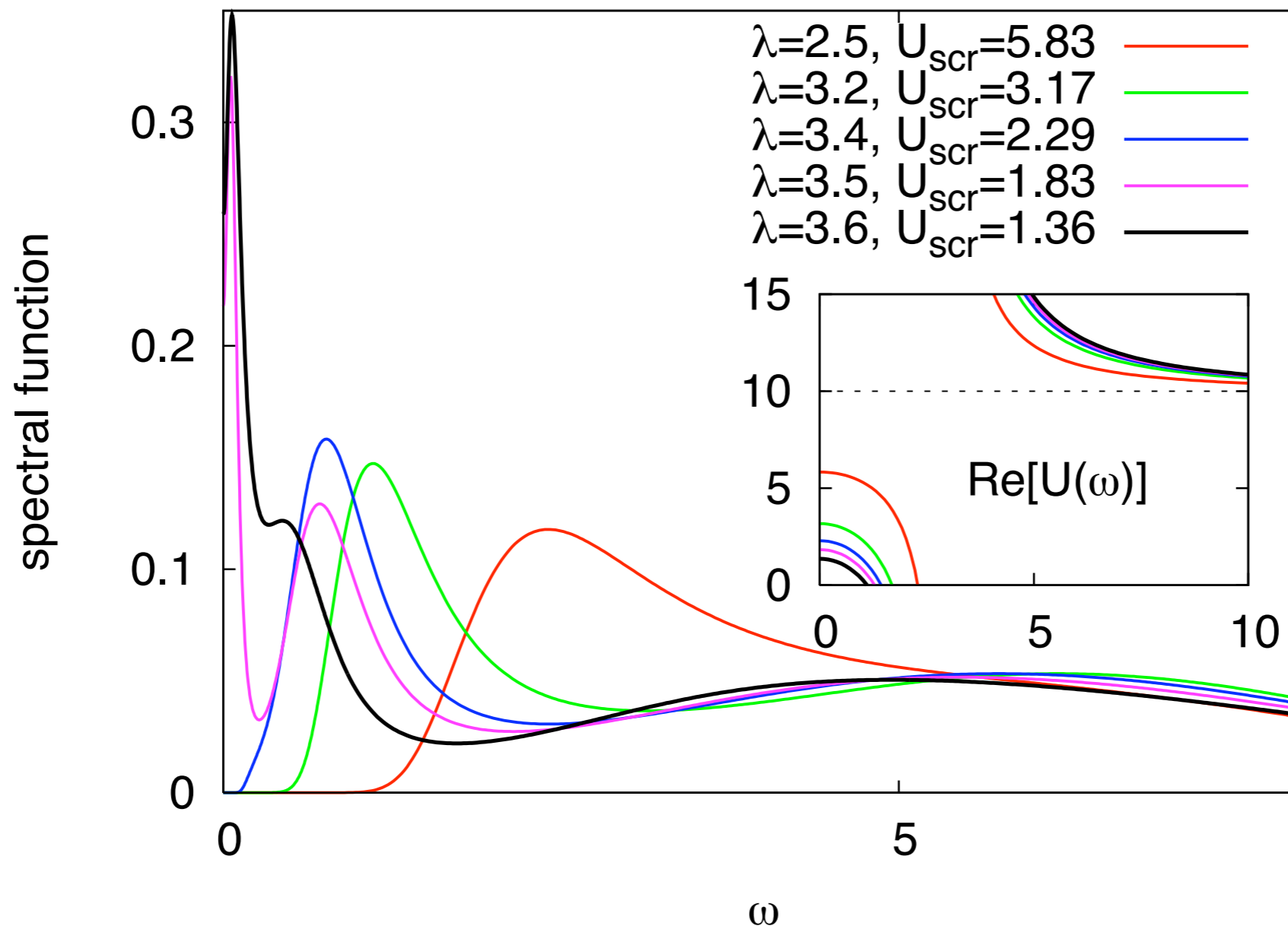
- Screening effect on  $U_{c2}$  non-negligible even for  $\omega_0 \gg$  bandwidth



# Metal-insulator transition

Werner & Millis, in preparation

- $U_{\text{bare}} = 10, \omega_0 = 3$
- **spectral function has multi-peak structure**
- as screening strength is increased the gap shrinks

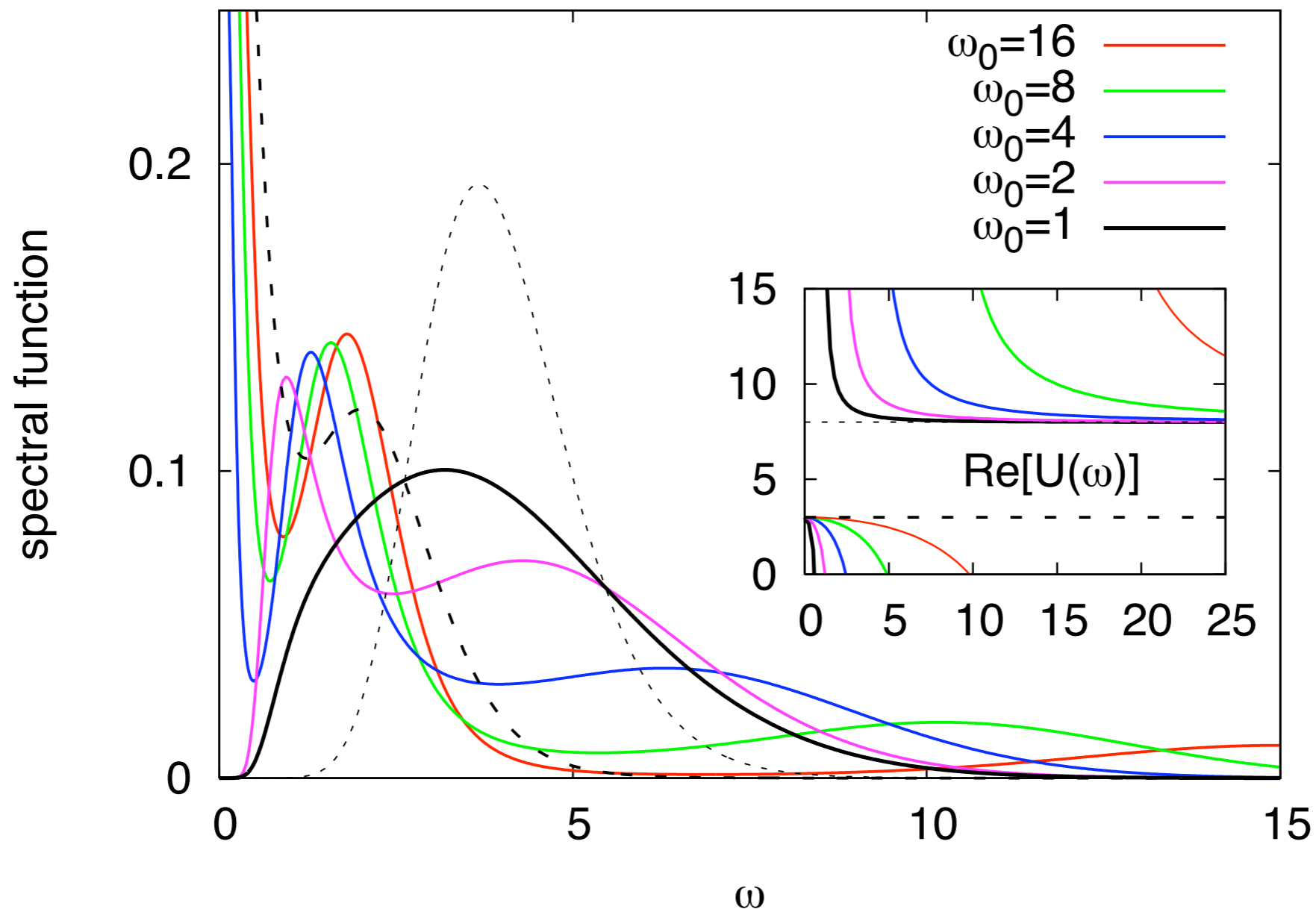




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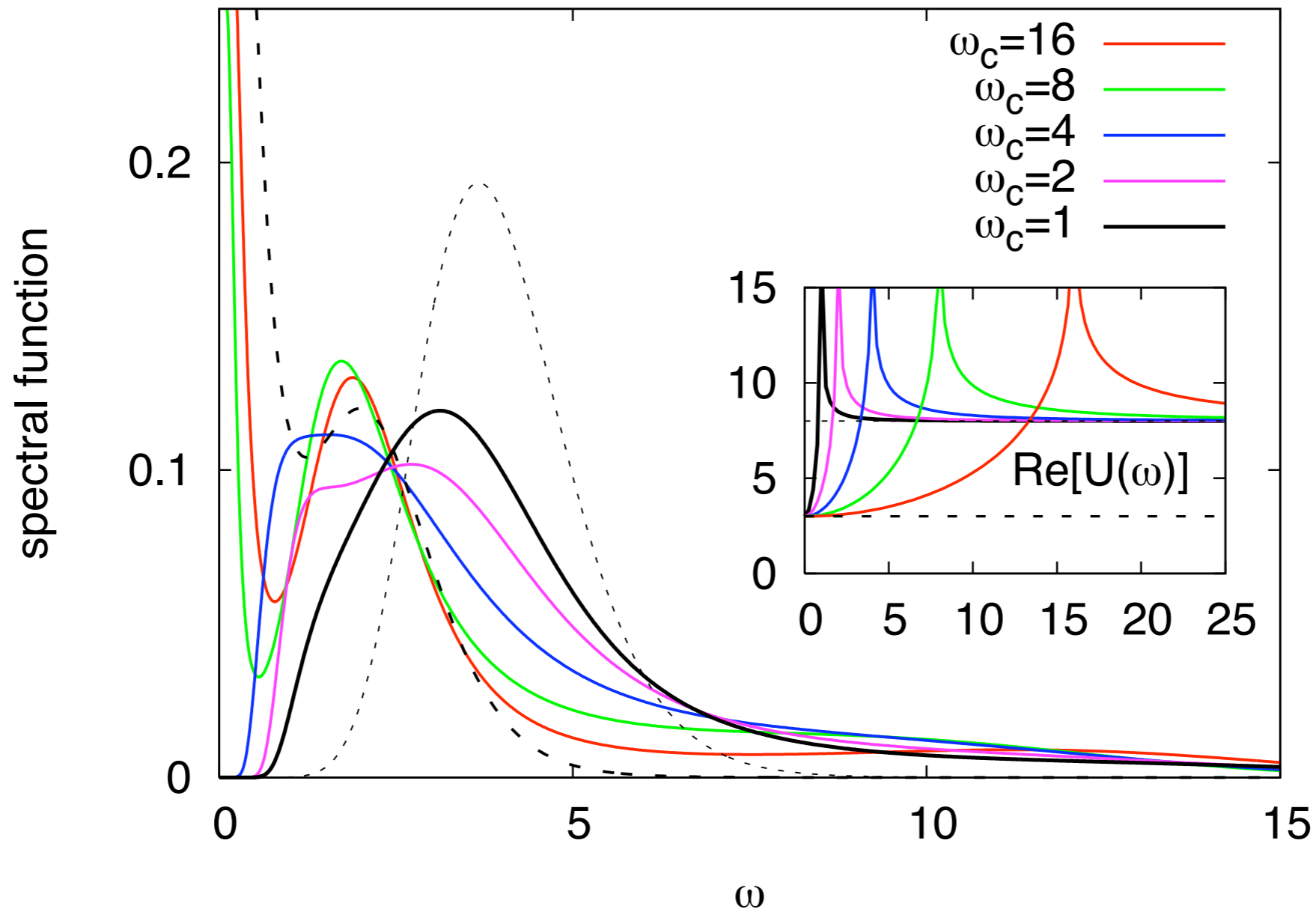
- $U_{\text{bare}} = 8$ ,  $U_{\text{screened}} = 3$
- ``screened  $U$ '' and ``unscreened  $U$ '' Hubbard bands ...
- ... but no good estimate of  $U_{\text{bare}}$ ,  $U_{\text{screened}}$  from spectral function



# Metal-insulator transition

Werner & Millis, in preparation

- Same for “Ohmic” model:  $\text{Im}W(\omega) = -\alpha\pi\Theta(\omega^2 - \omega_c^2)$
- **qualitatively similar to “plasmon” model**
- broad high energy tail instead of “unscreened  $U$ ” Hubbard bands



# Summary

- Hybridization expansion for the Holstein-Hubbard model
- General formalism for frequency-dependent interactions
- Metal-insulator transition for  $U \gg U_{c2}$ ,  $\omega_0 \sim$  bandwidth
- Outlook: application to real materials, GW+DMFT, E-DMFT, ...