

# thermal transport from first principles

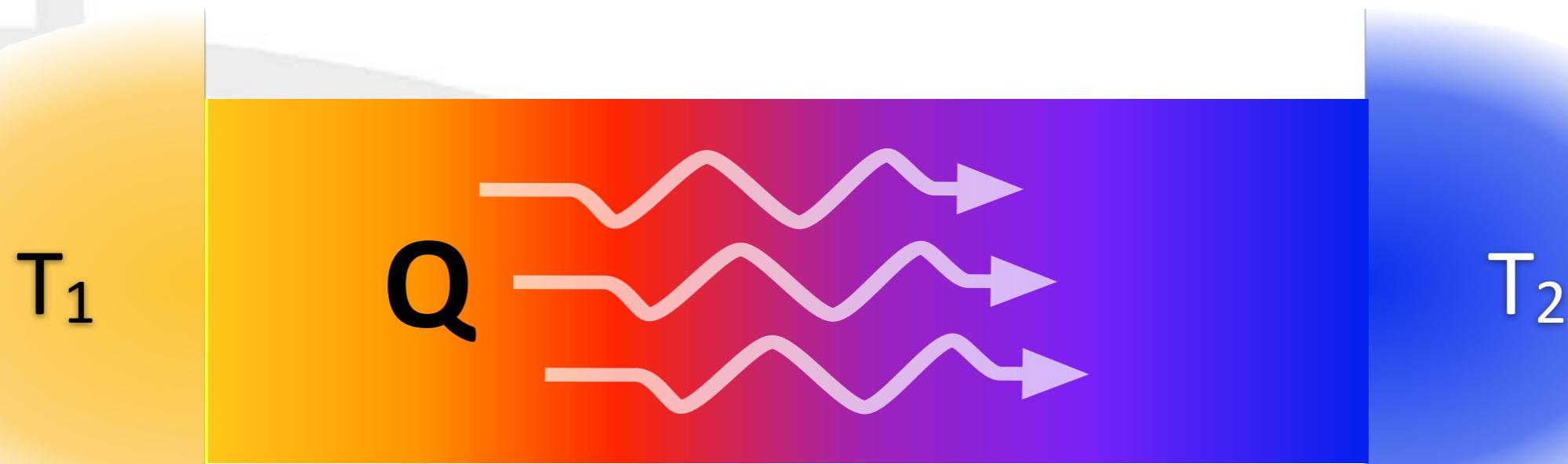
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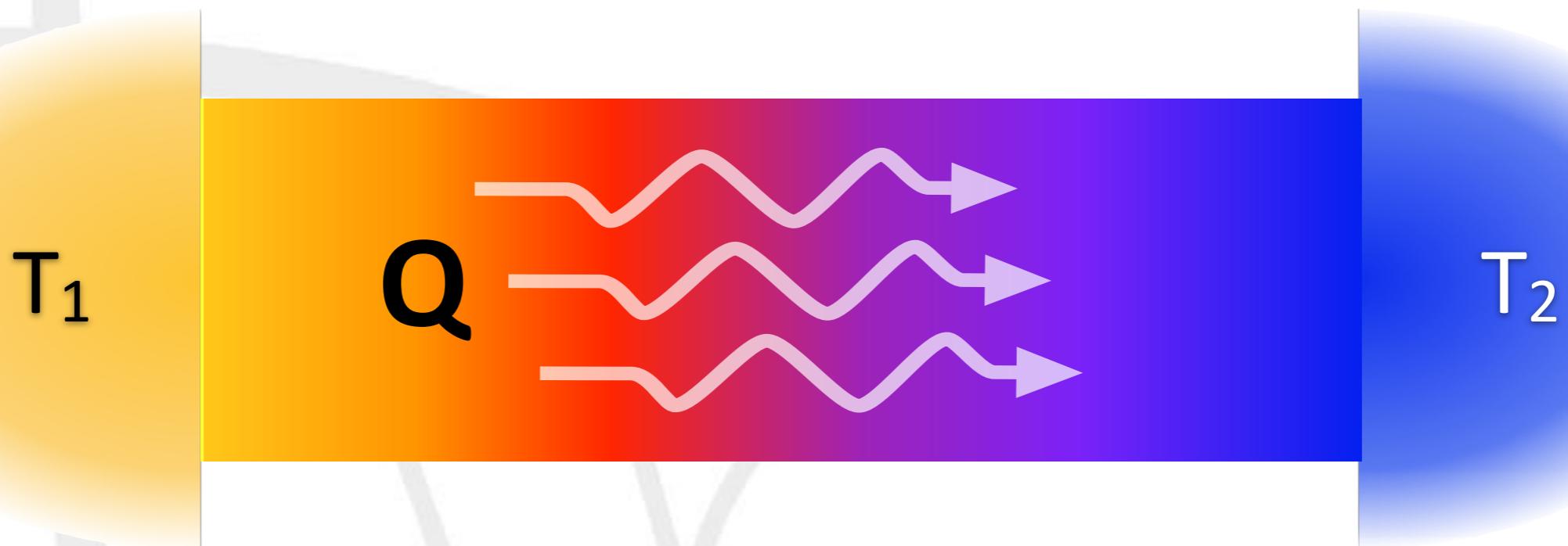
# syllabus

- What thermal transport is all about;
- Conserved quantities: continuity and constitutive equations;
- Onsager relations: thermal and electric conductivities, thermoelectric coefficients;
- The Green-Kubo & Einstein-Helfand formulas for transport coefficients;
- The classical energy current;
- Gauge invariance of transport coefficients;
- Density-functional theory of adiabatic heat transport;
- Separating wheat from chaff: the Wiener-Khintchine theorem and cepstral analysis
- Heat conductivity from lattice dynamics: crystals and glasses;
- Lattice dynamics from density-functional perturbation theory (if time allows).

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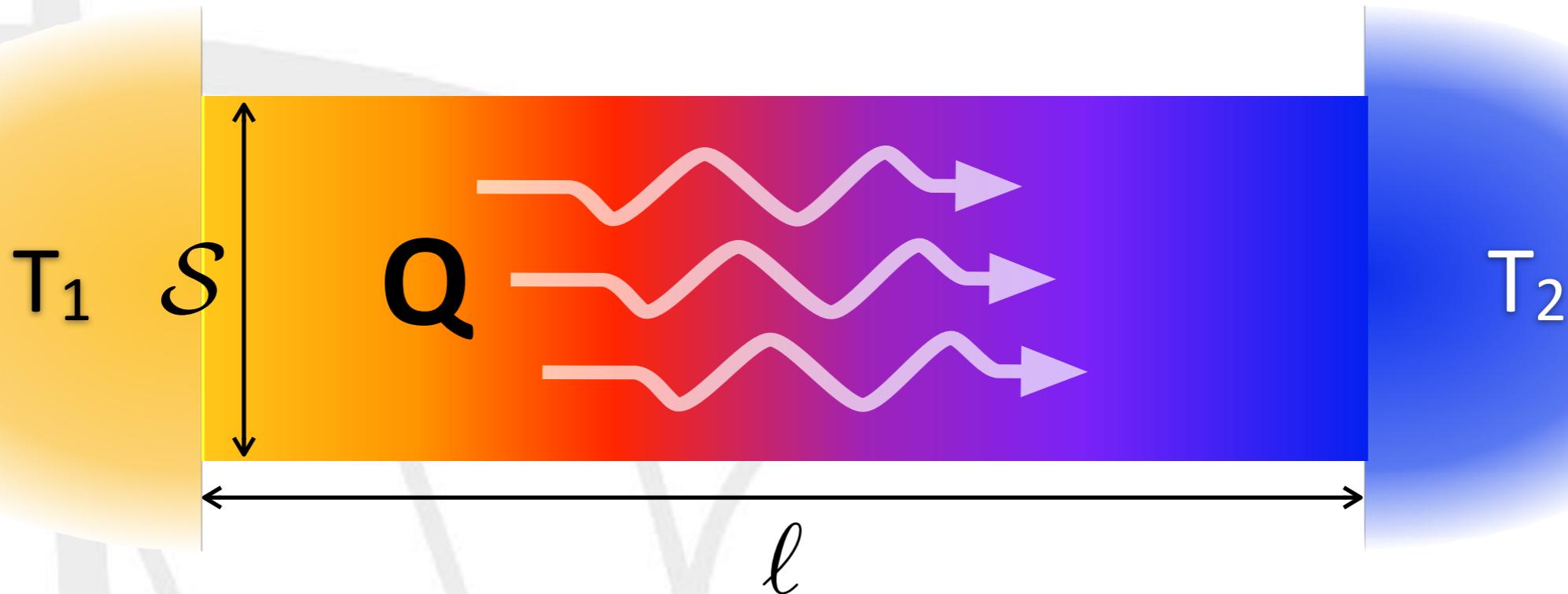


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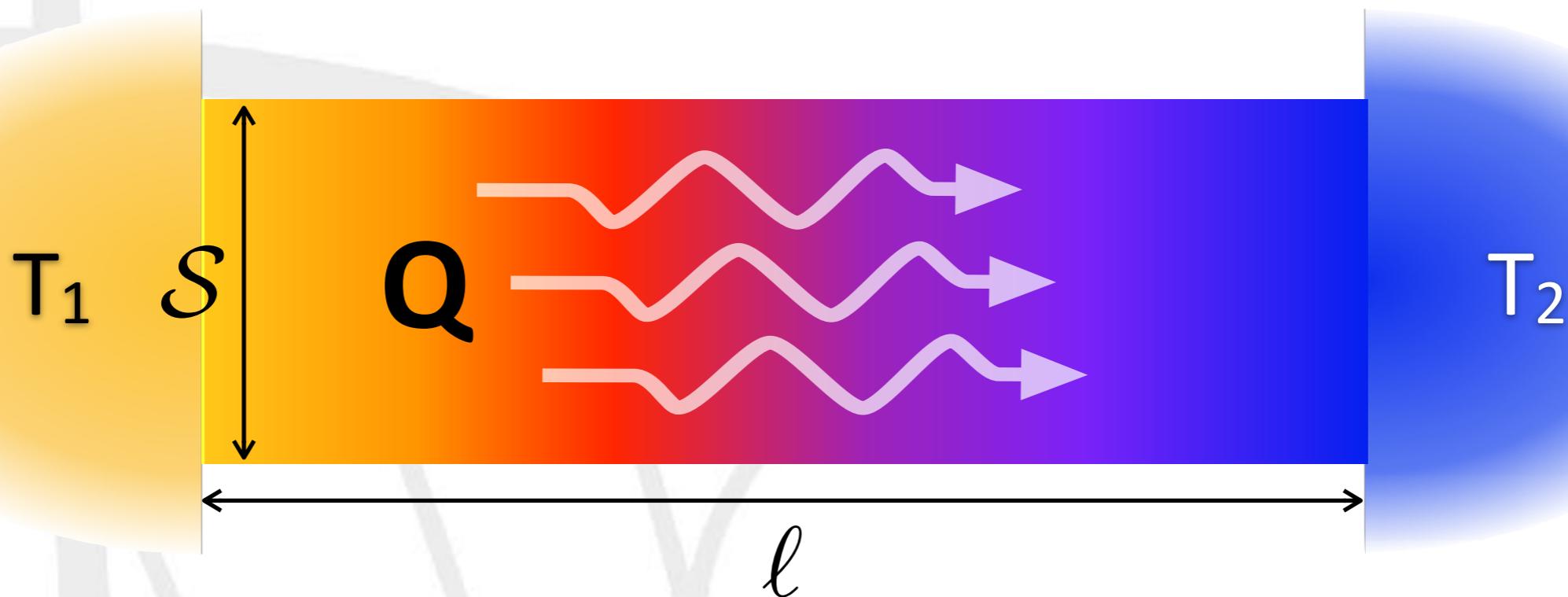
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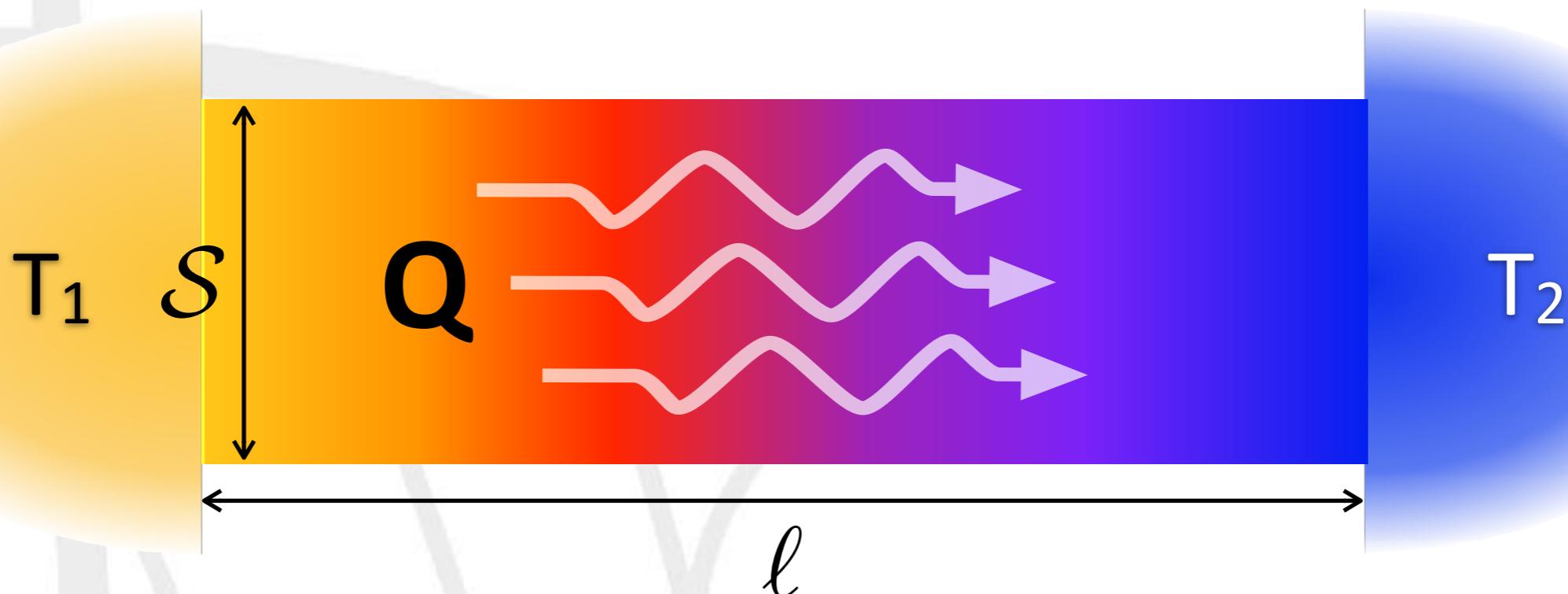
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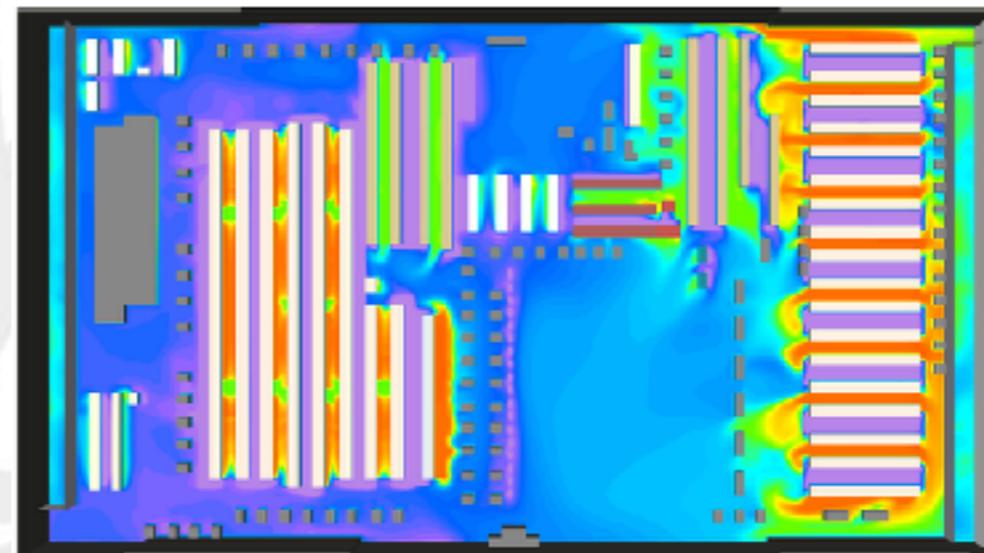
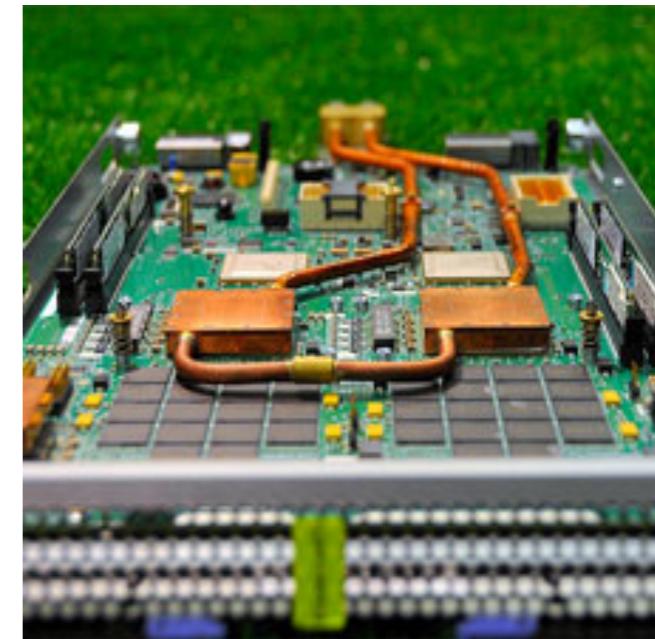


**why should we care?**

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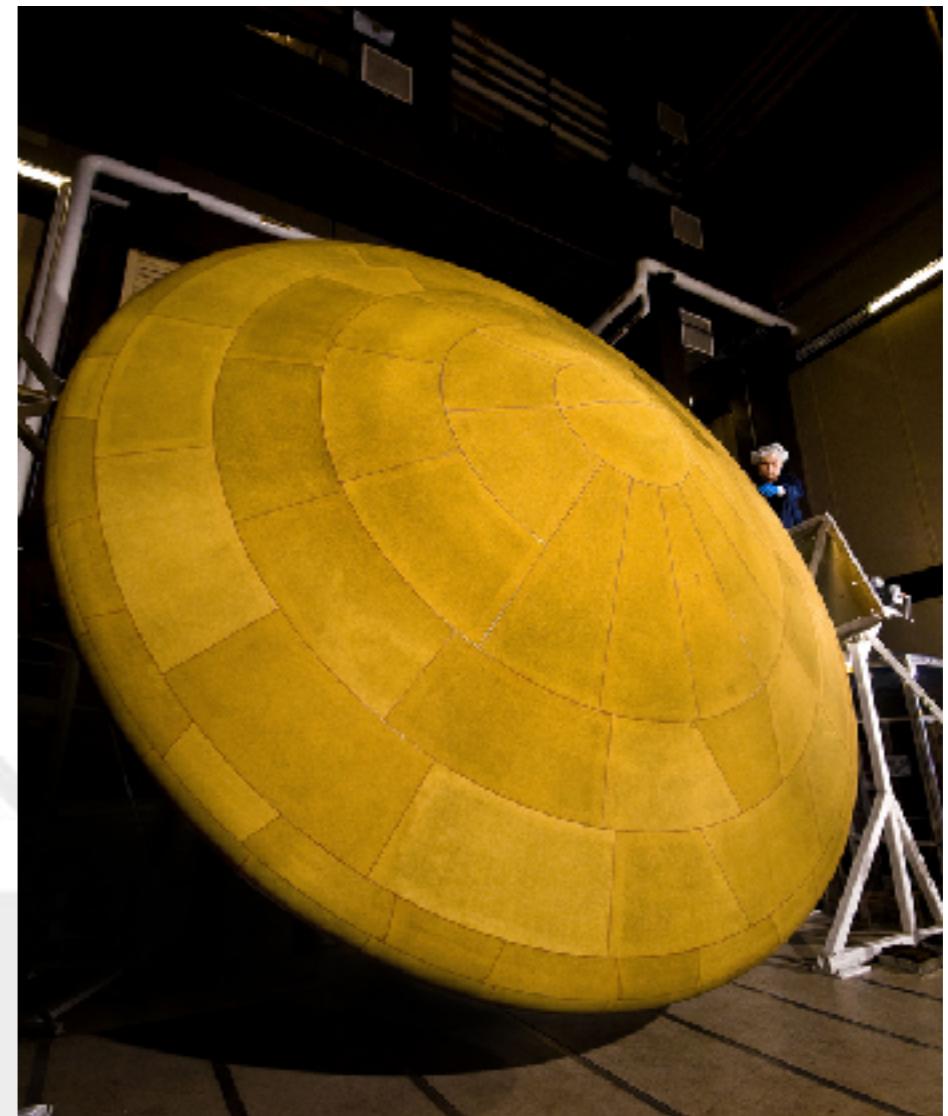
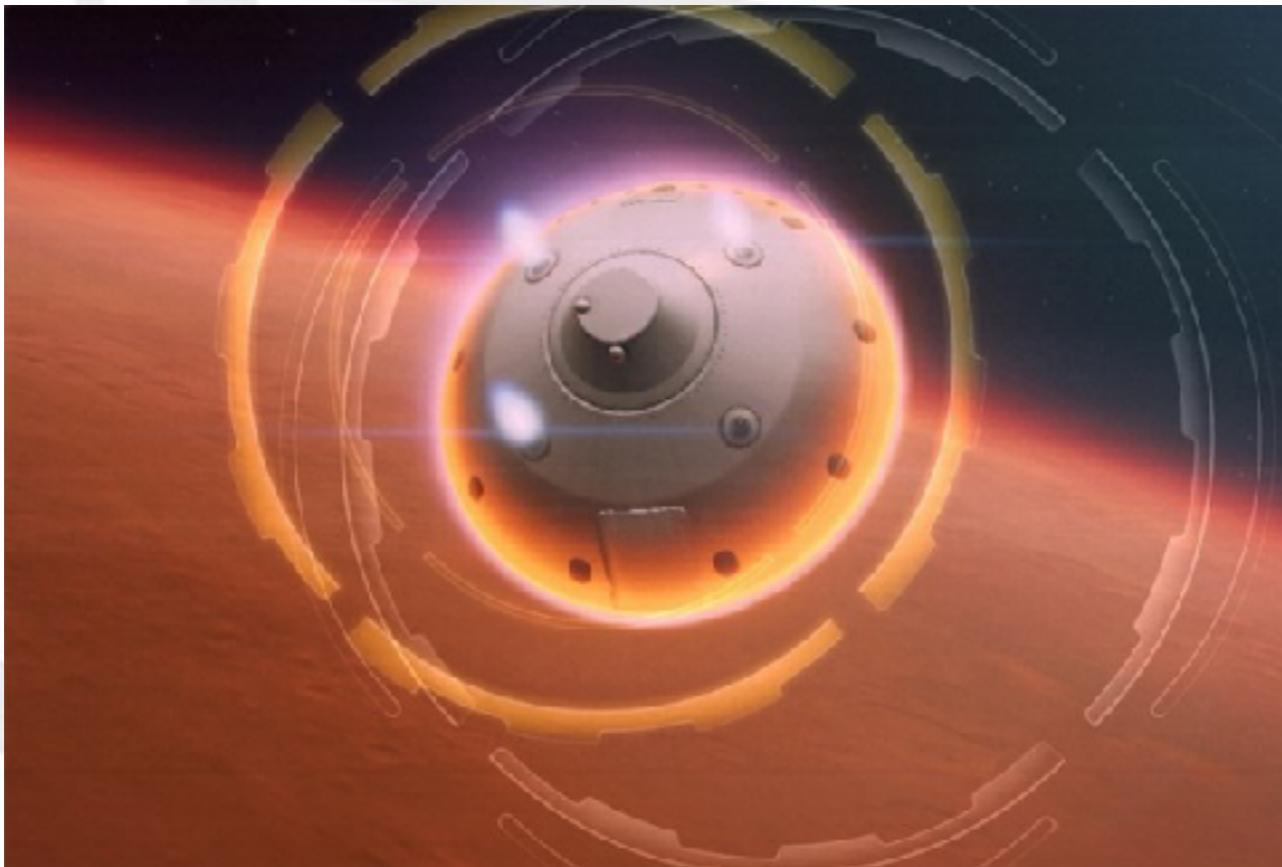
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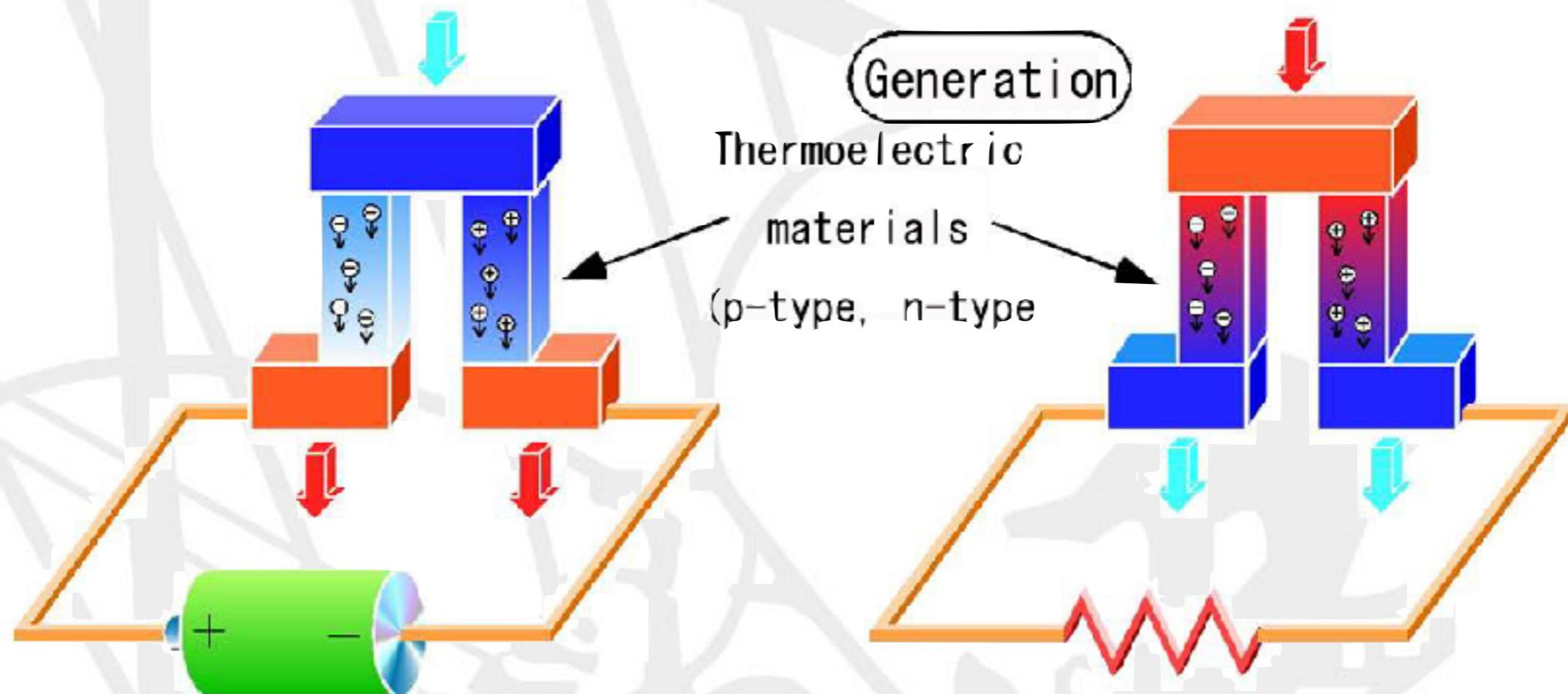
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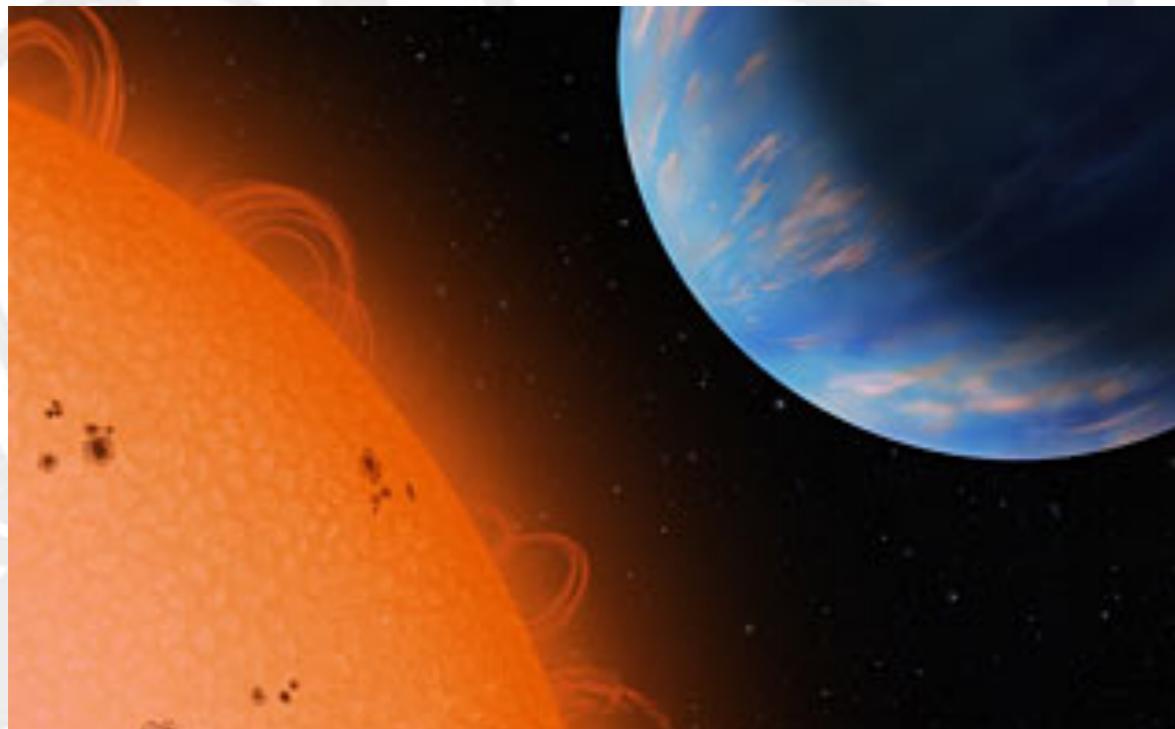
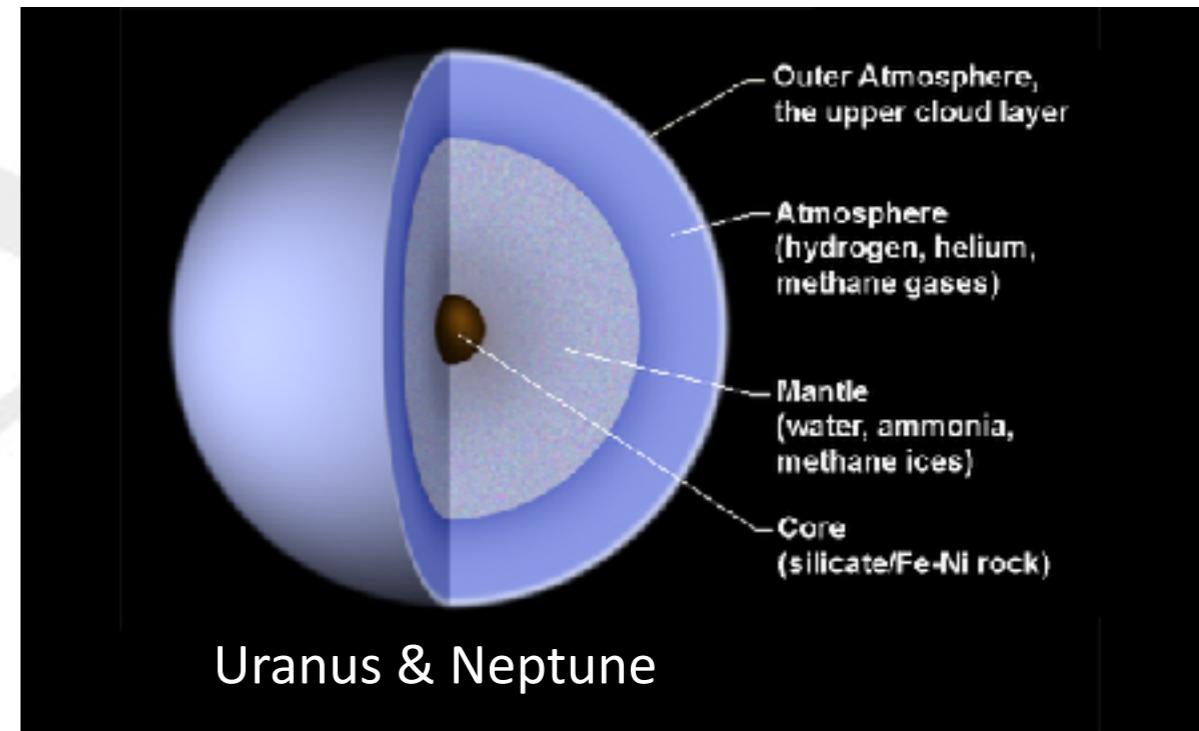
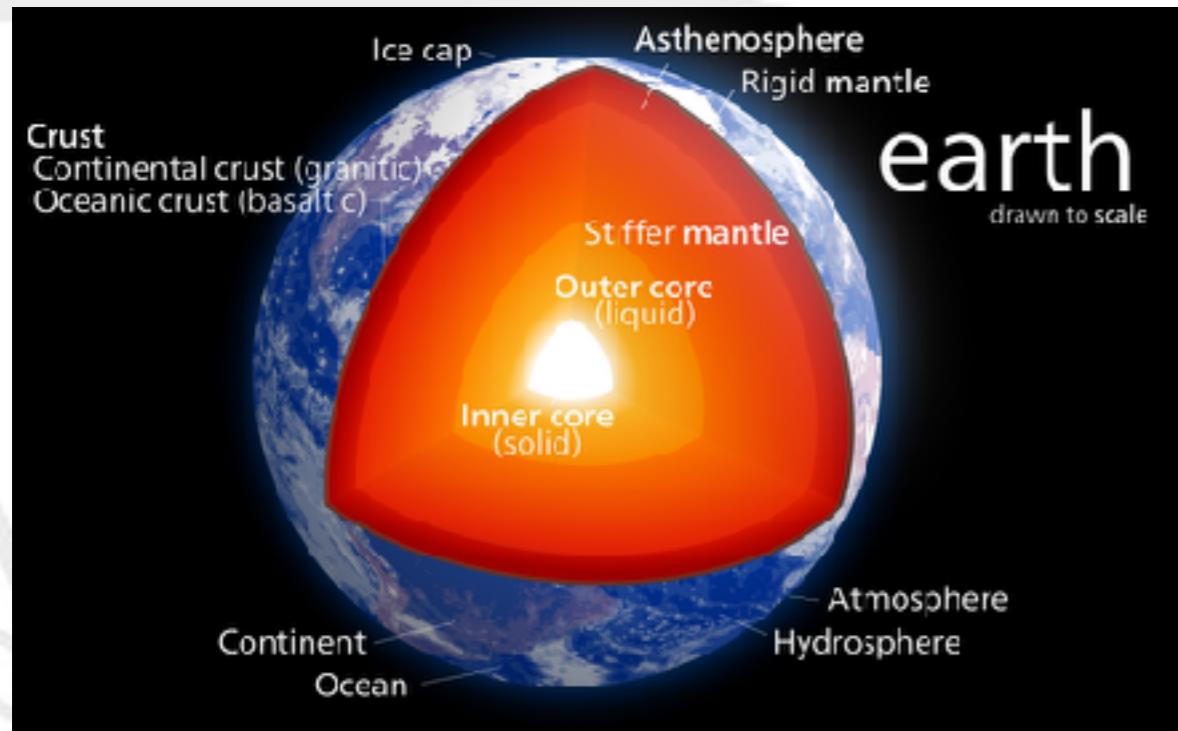
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- energy saving and heat dissipation
- heat shielding
- energy conversion
- earth and planetary sciences
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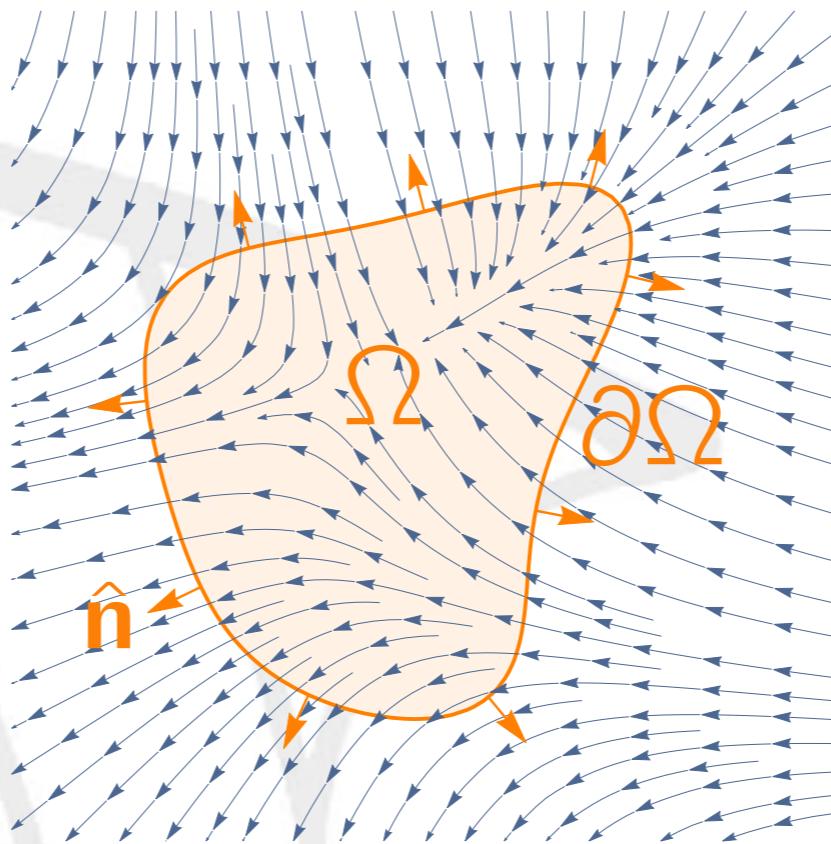
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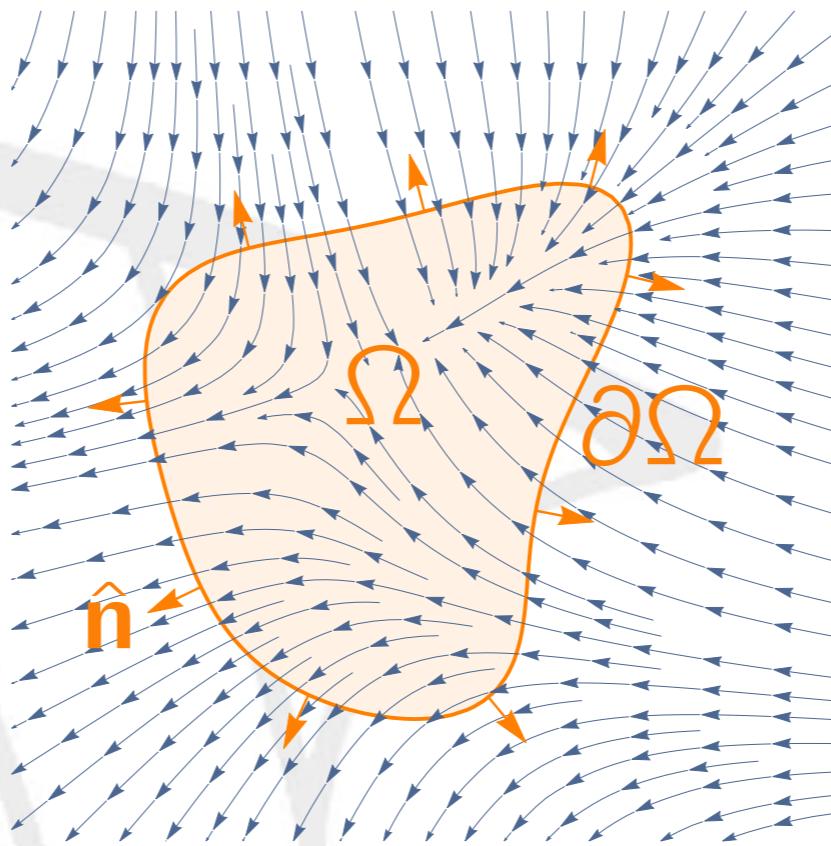
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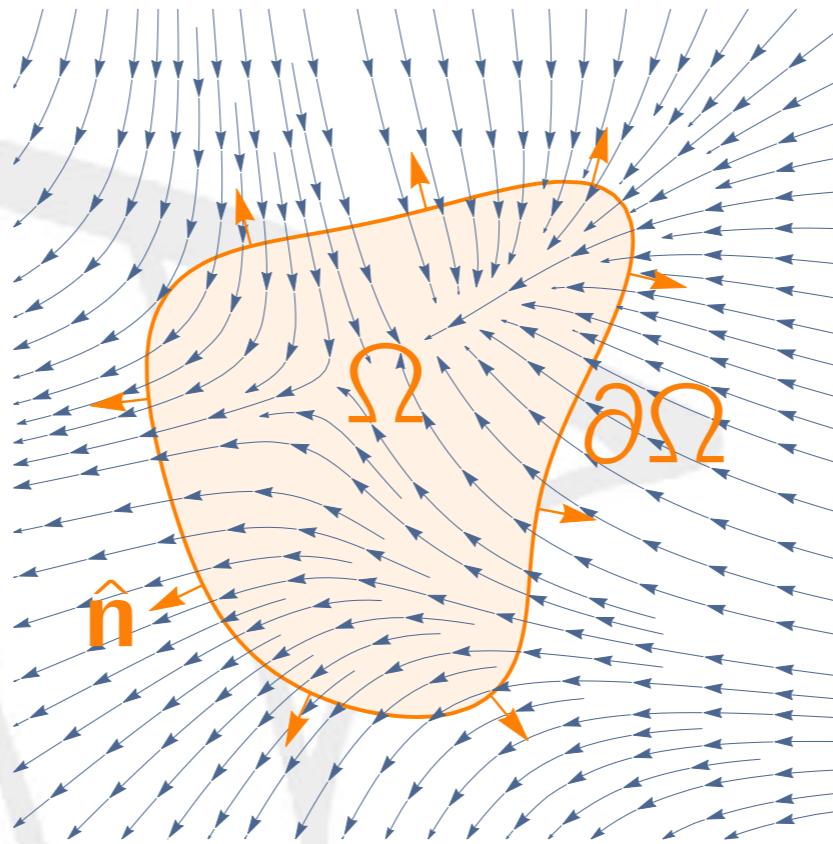
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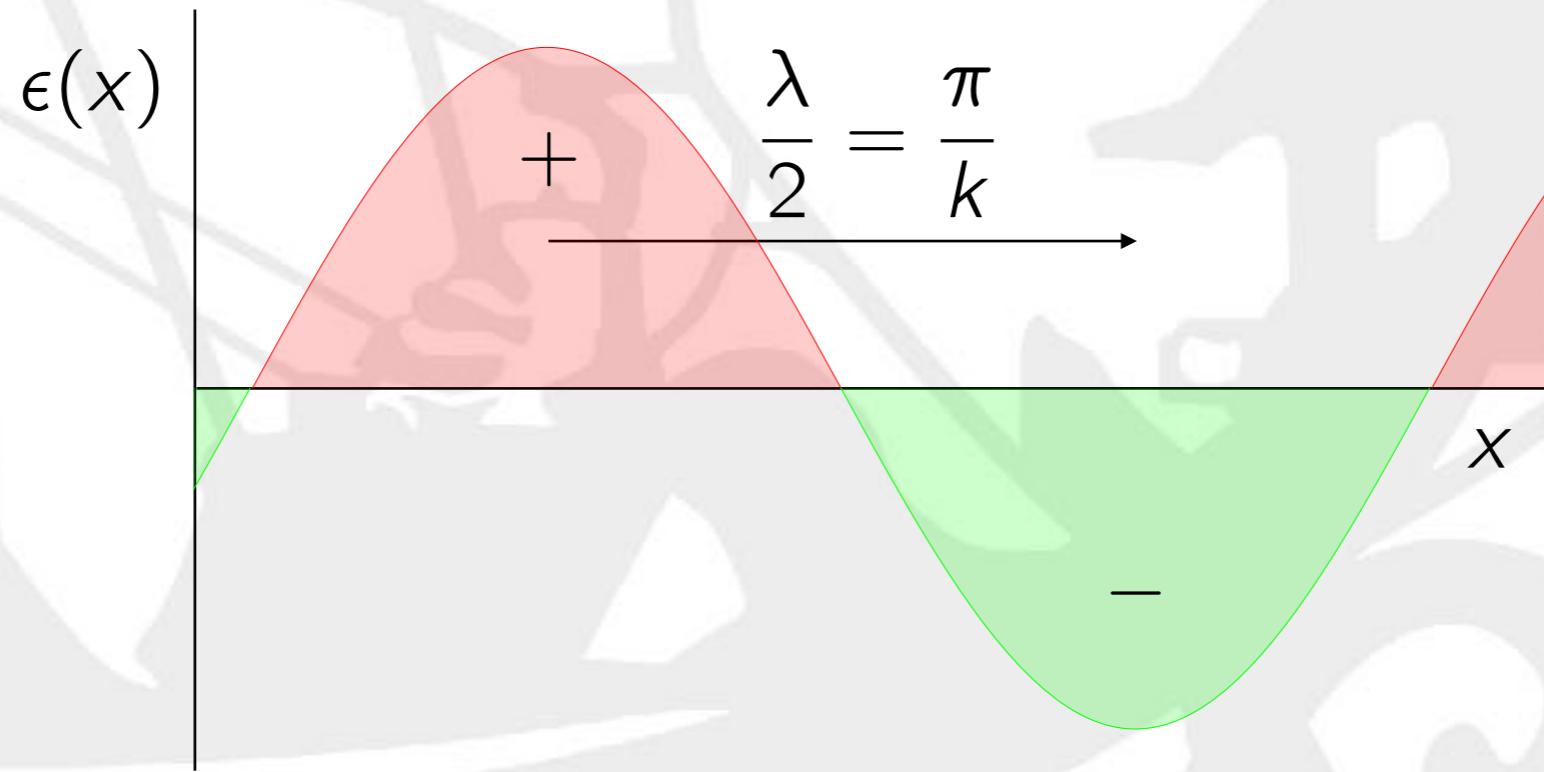
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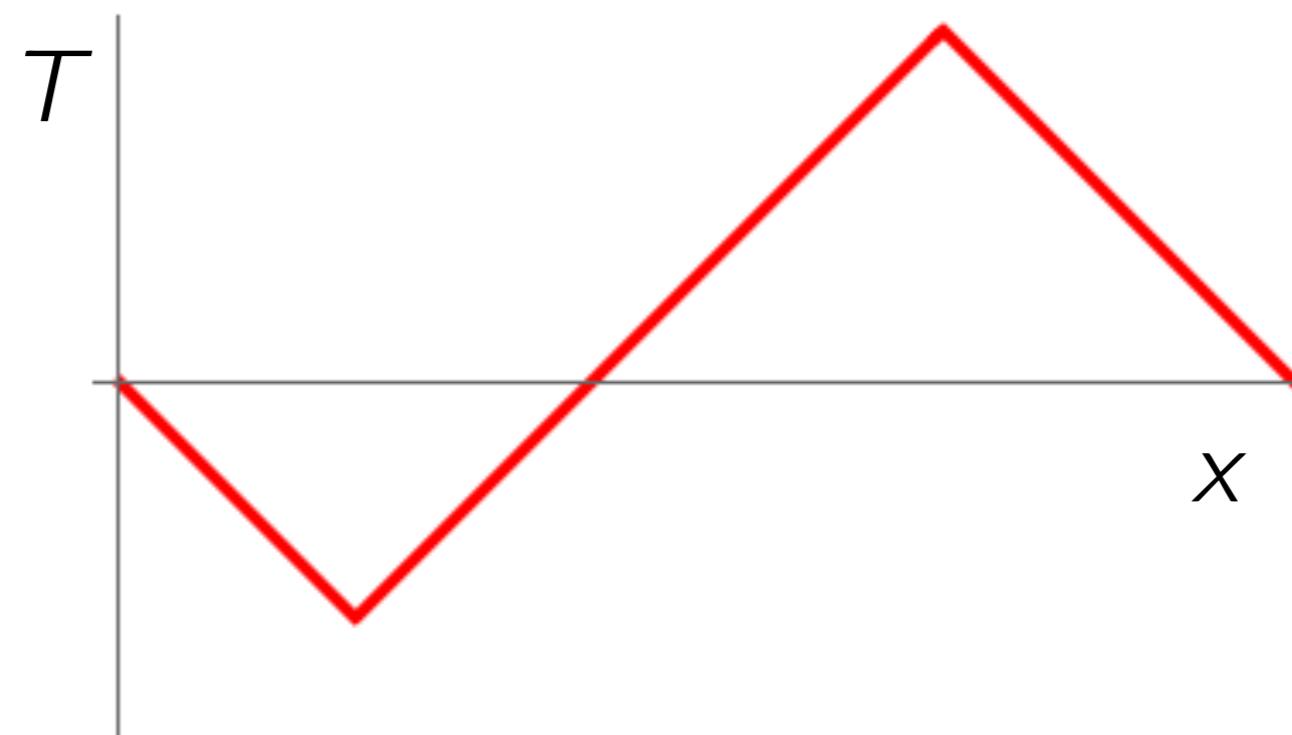
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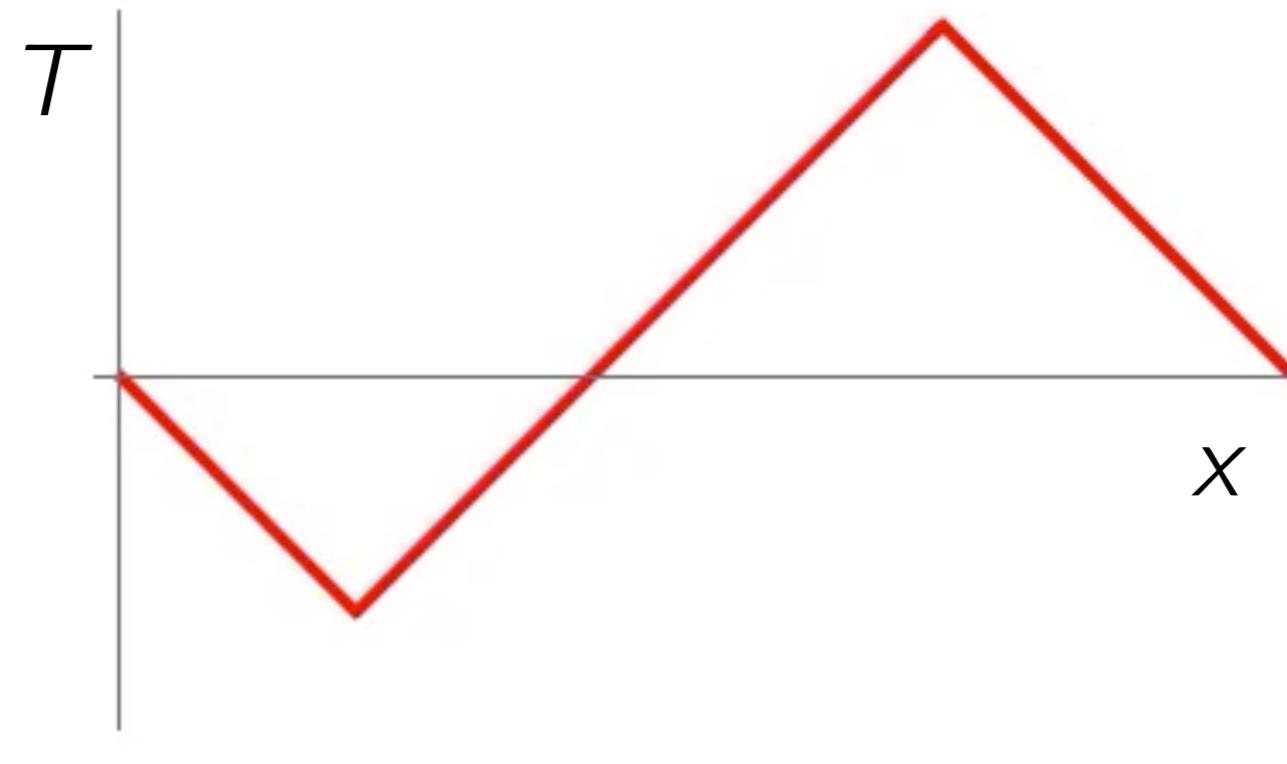


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# hurdles towards an ab initio Green-Kubo theory

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## Thermal Conductivity of Periclase ( $\text{MgO}$ ) from First Principles

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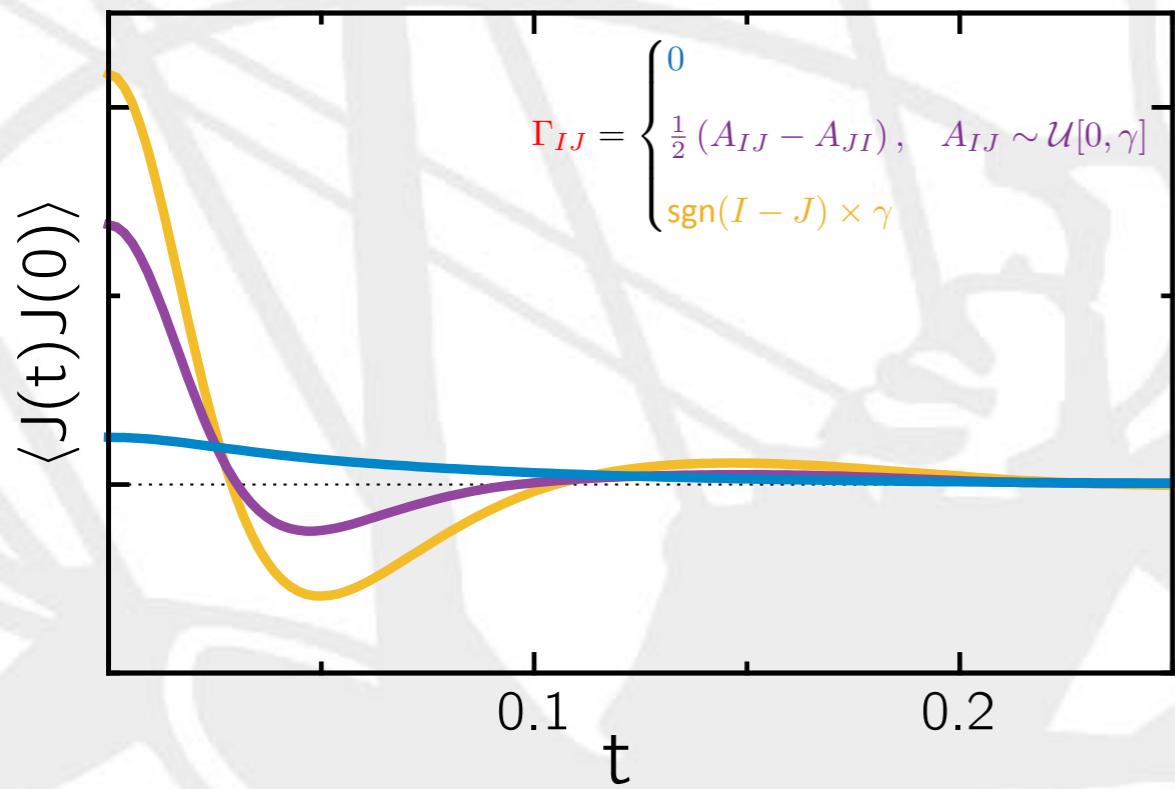
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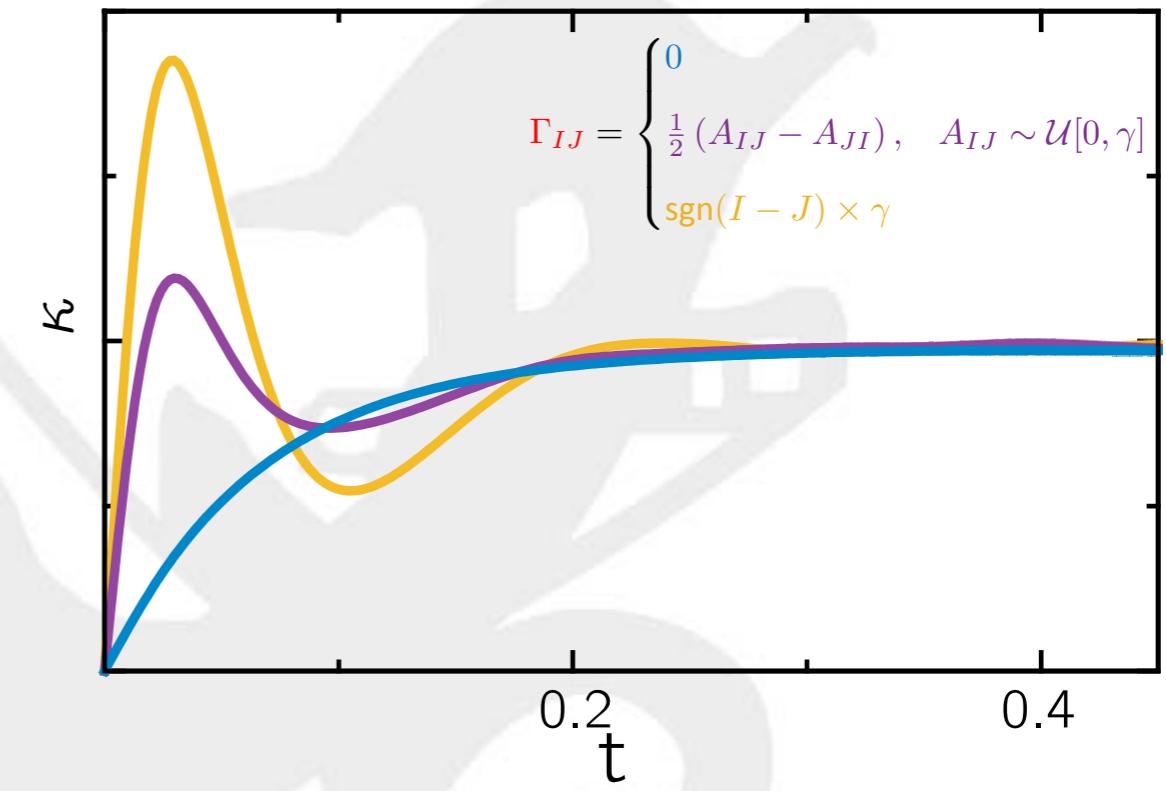
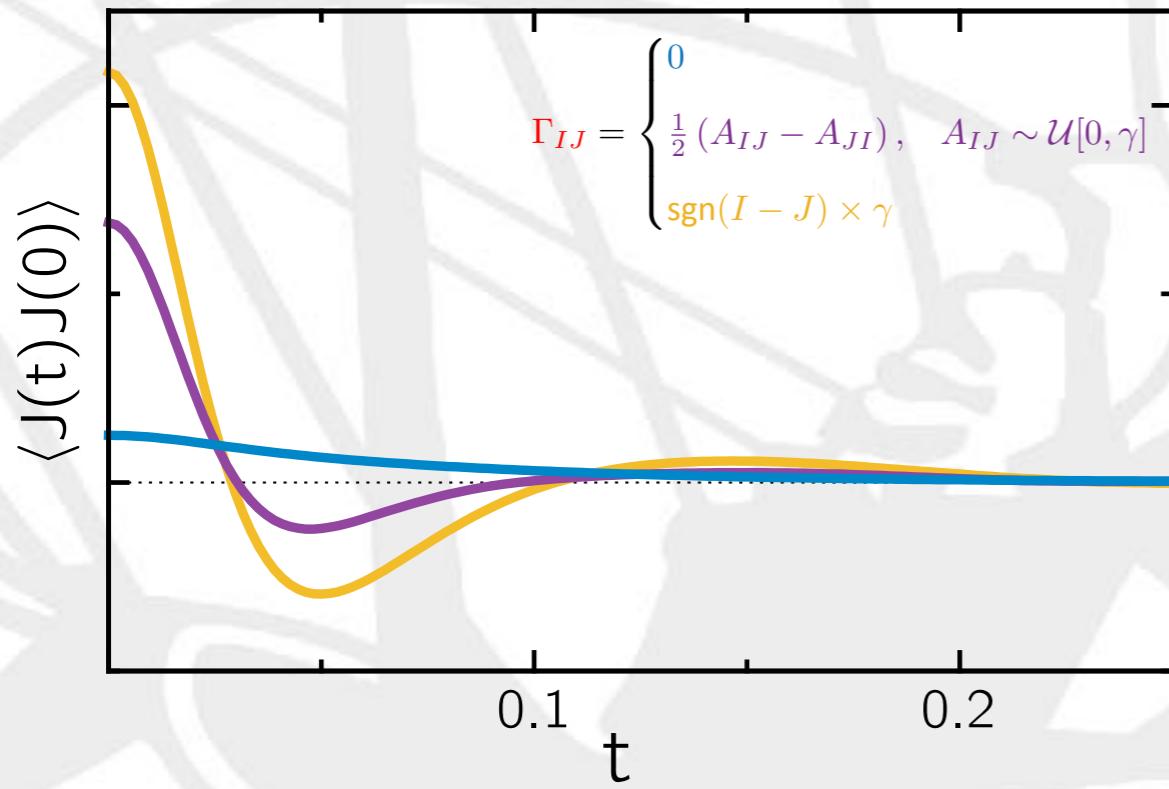
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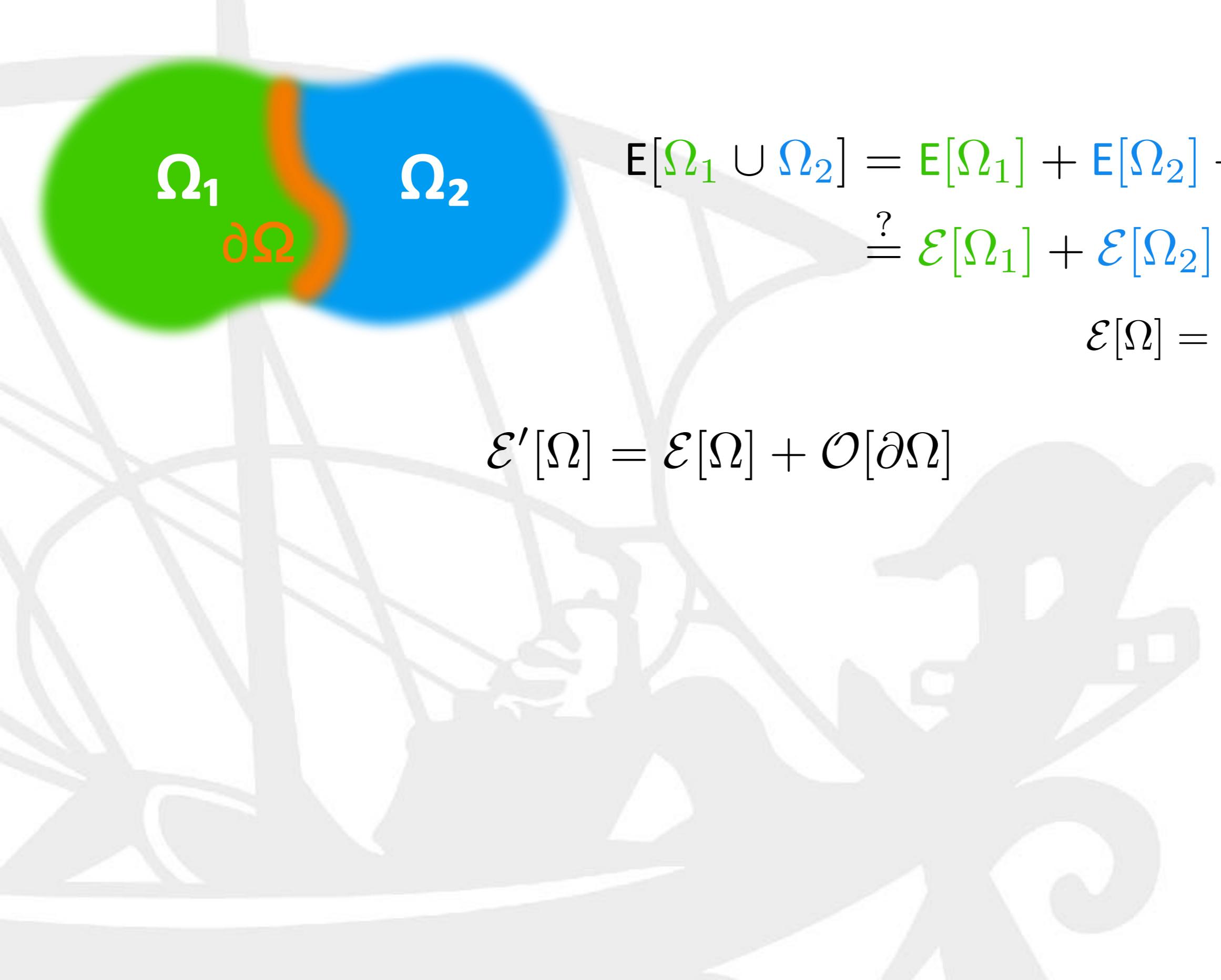
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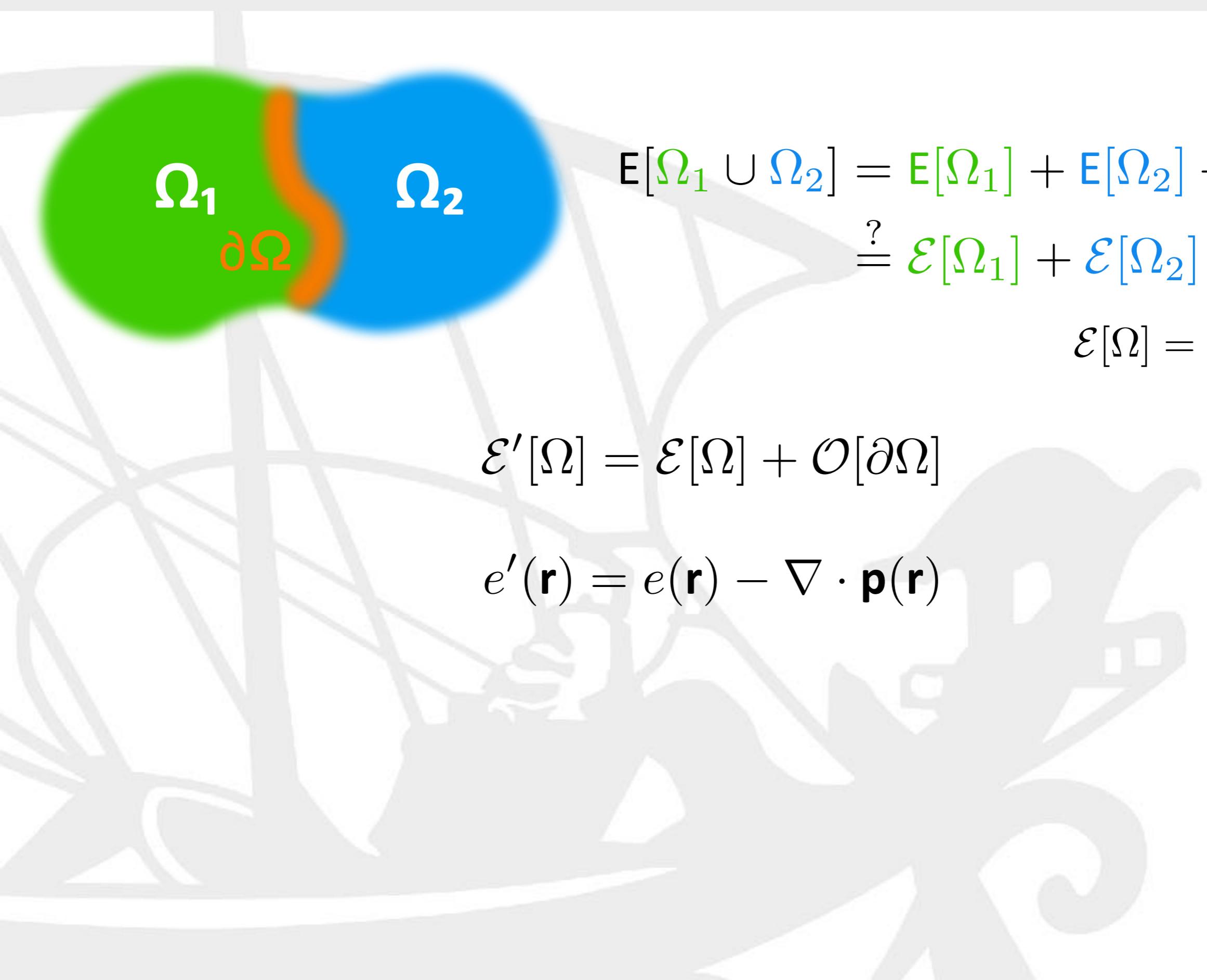

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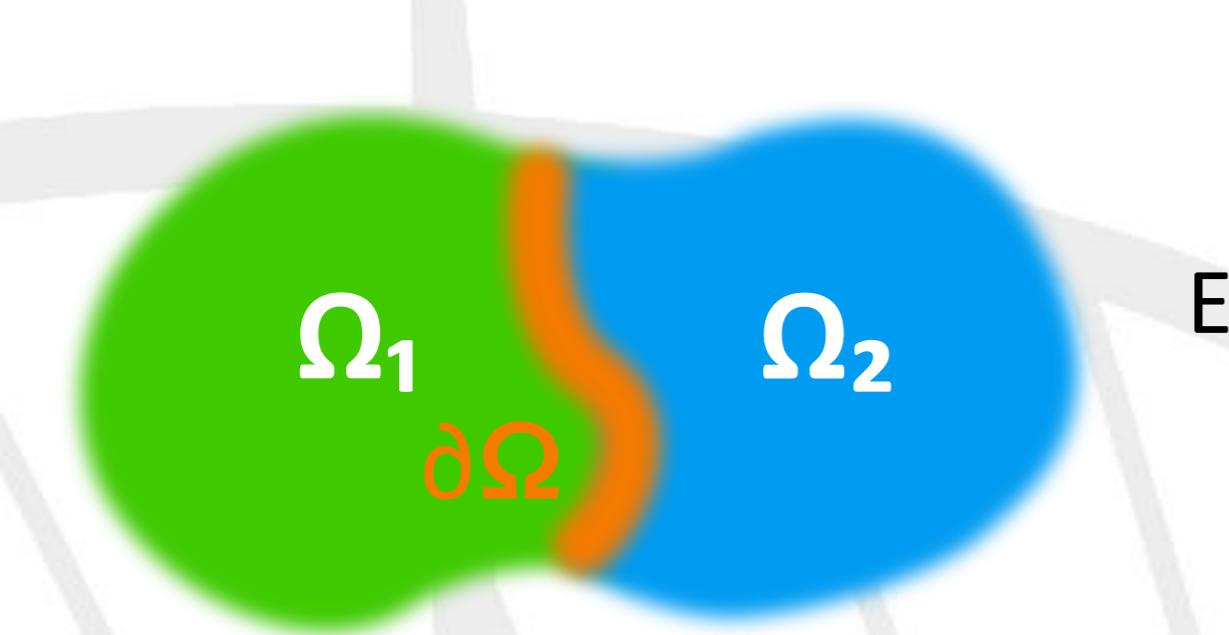
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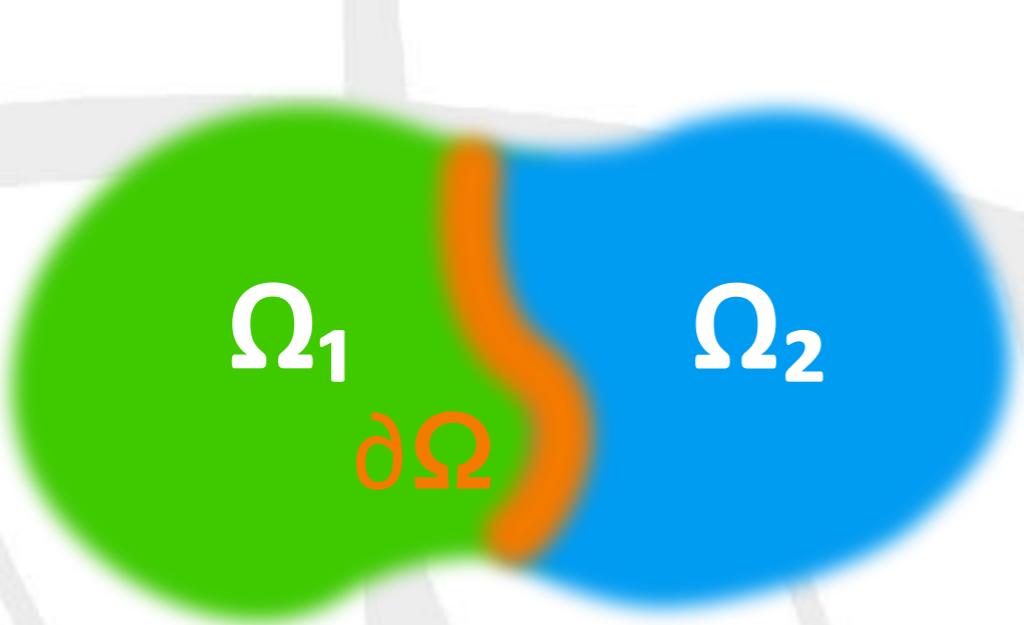
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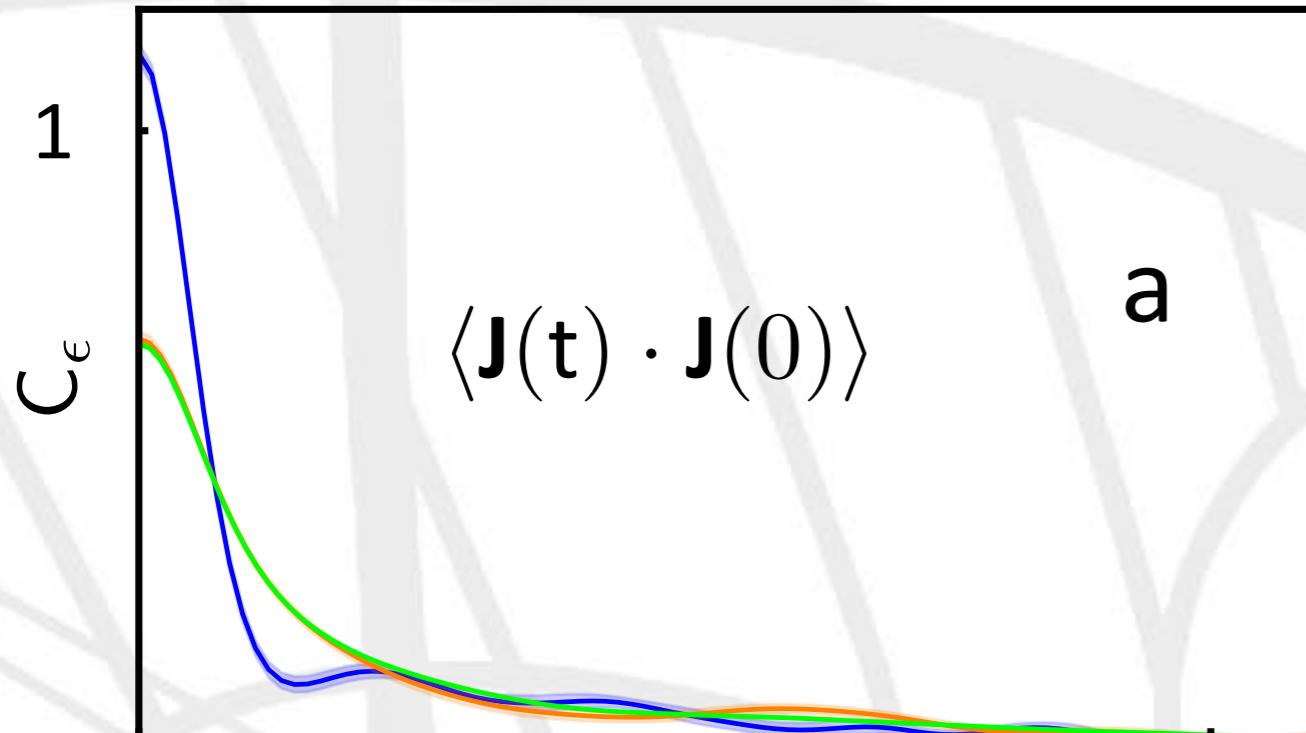
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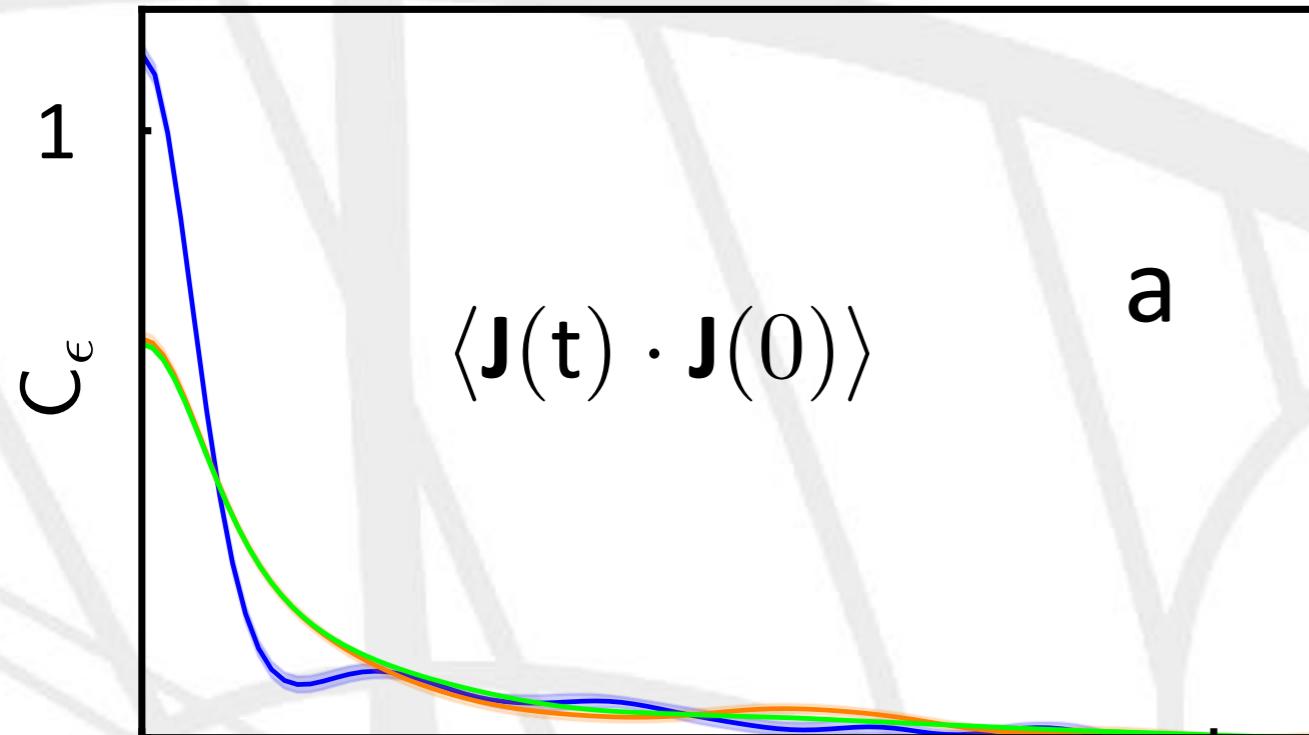
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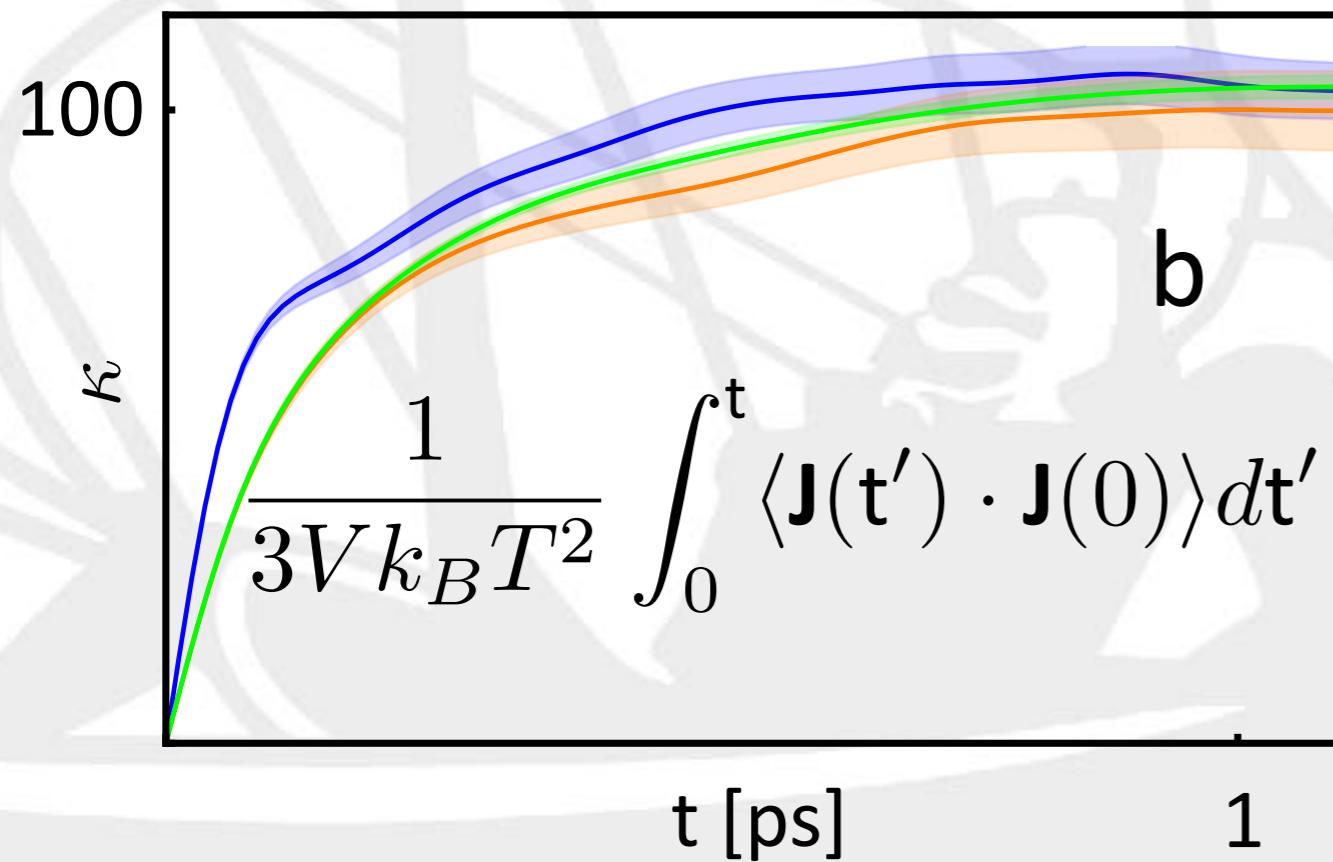
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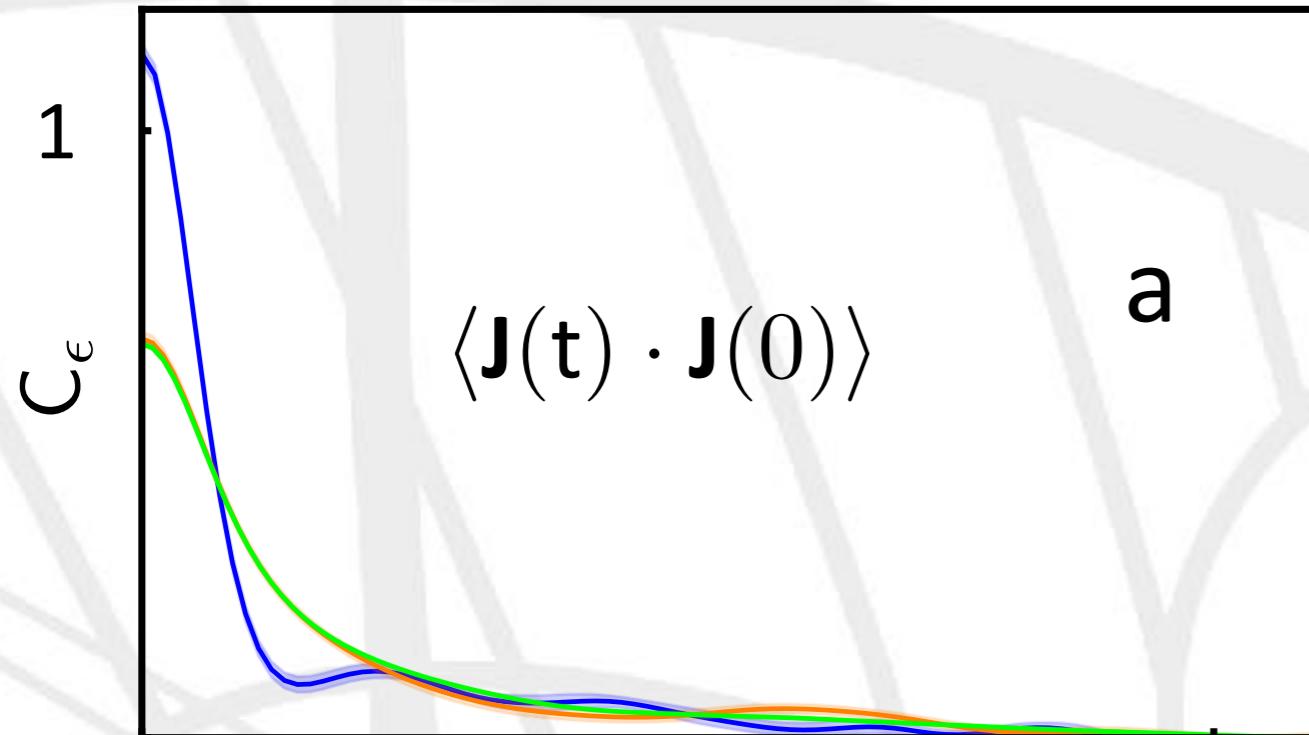


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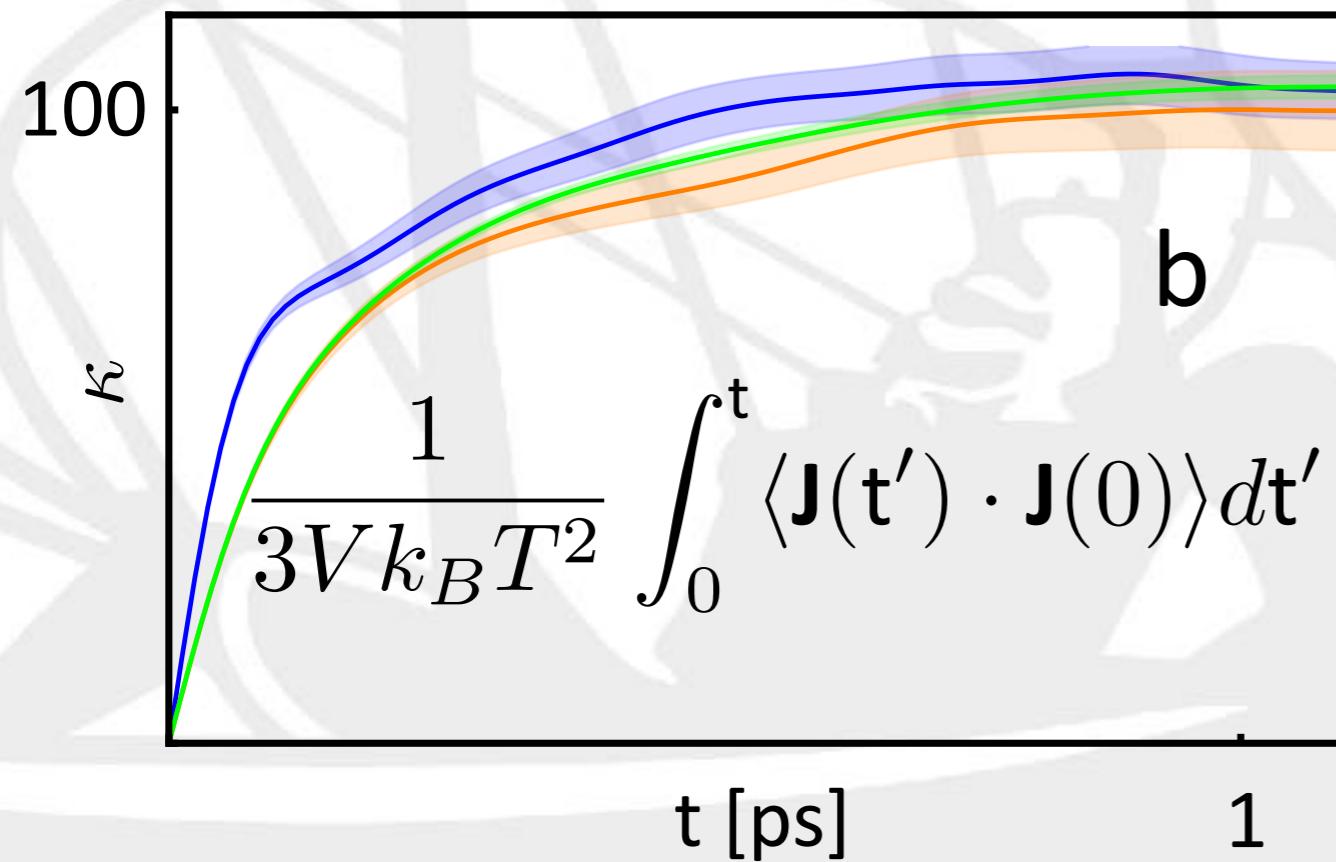


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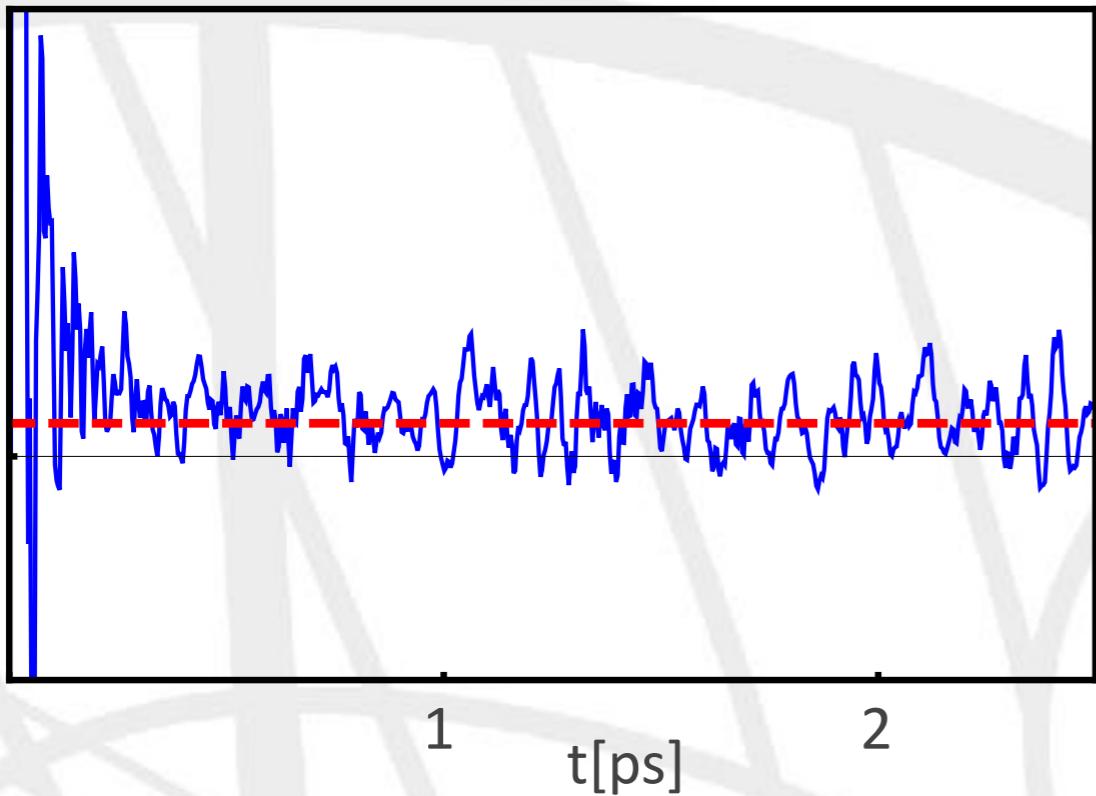
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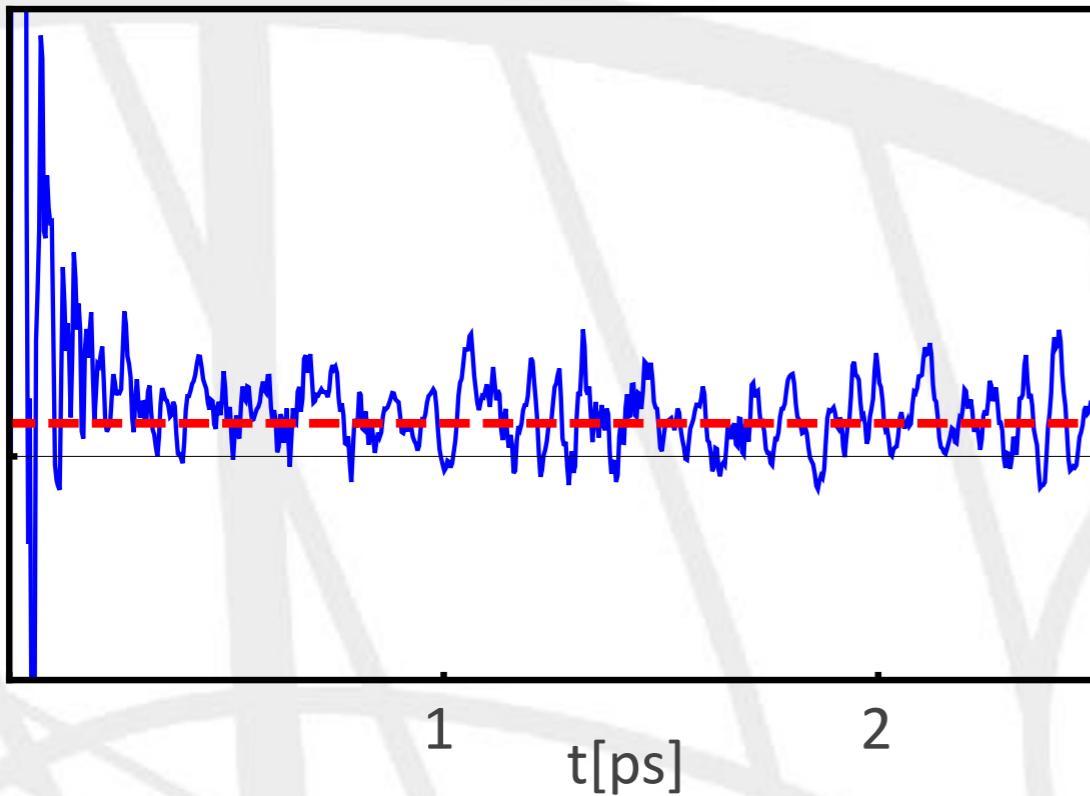
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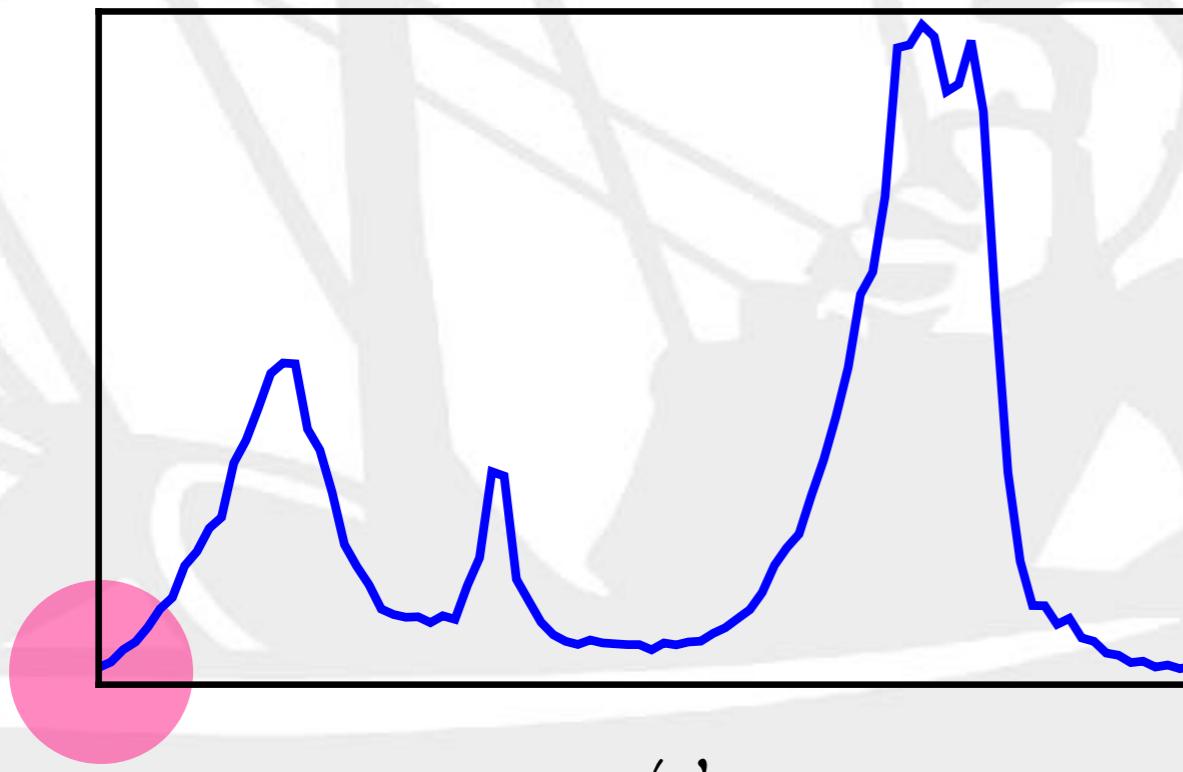
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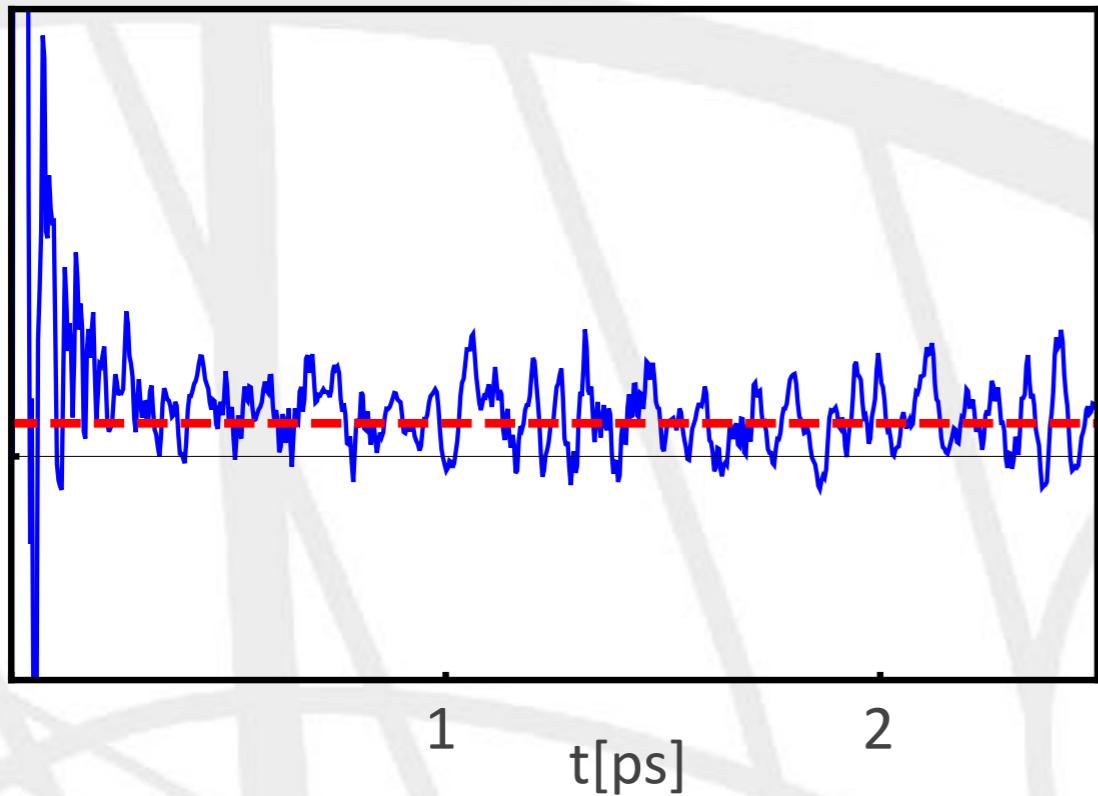
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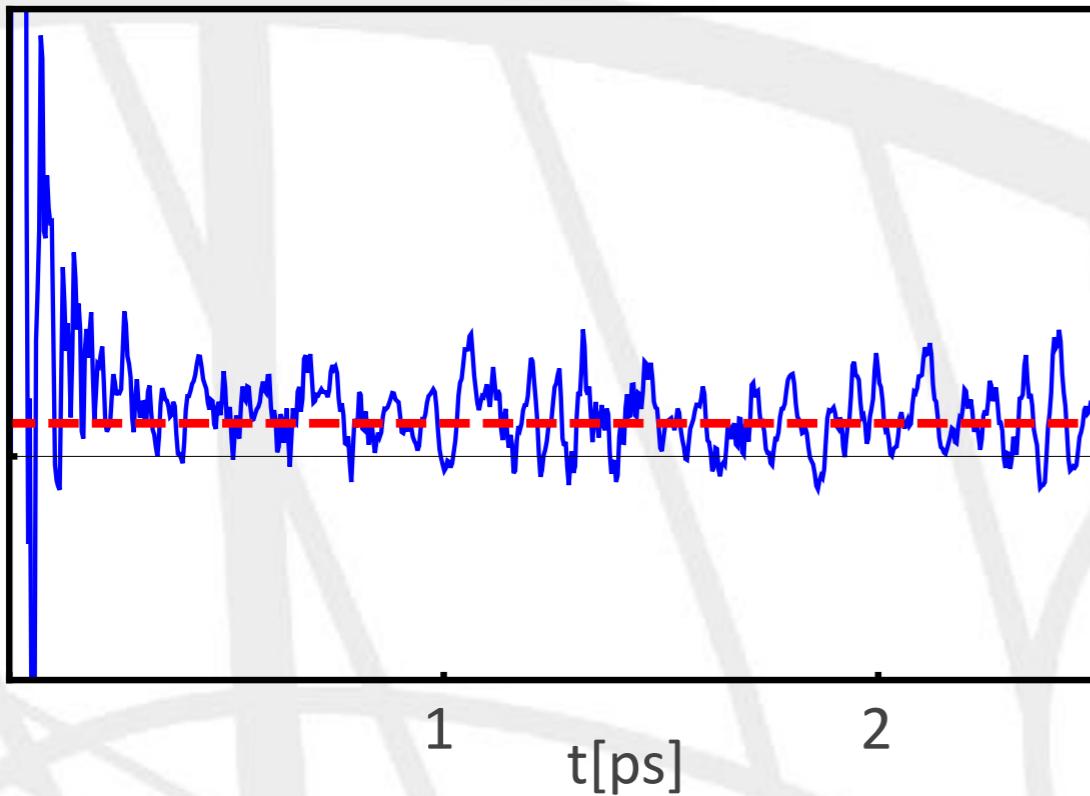
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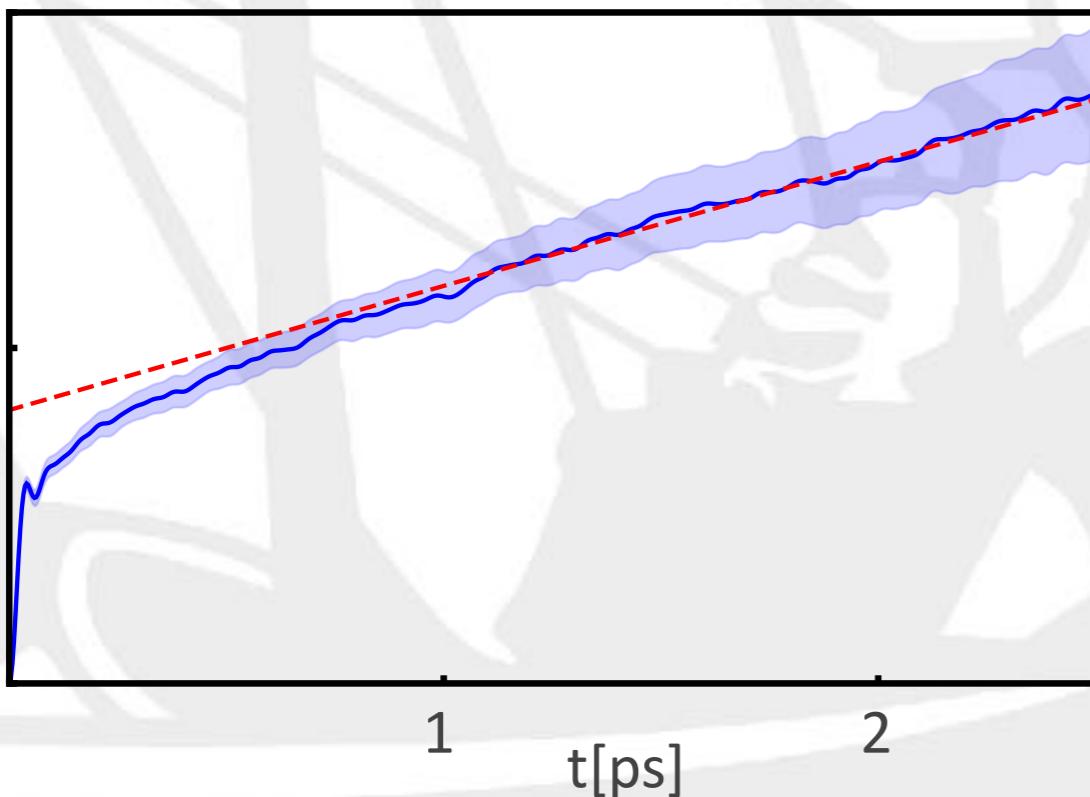
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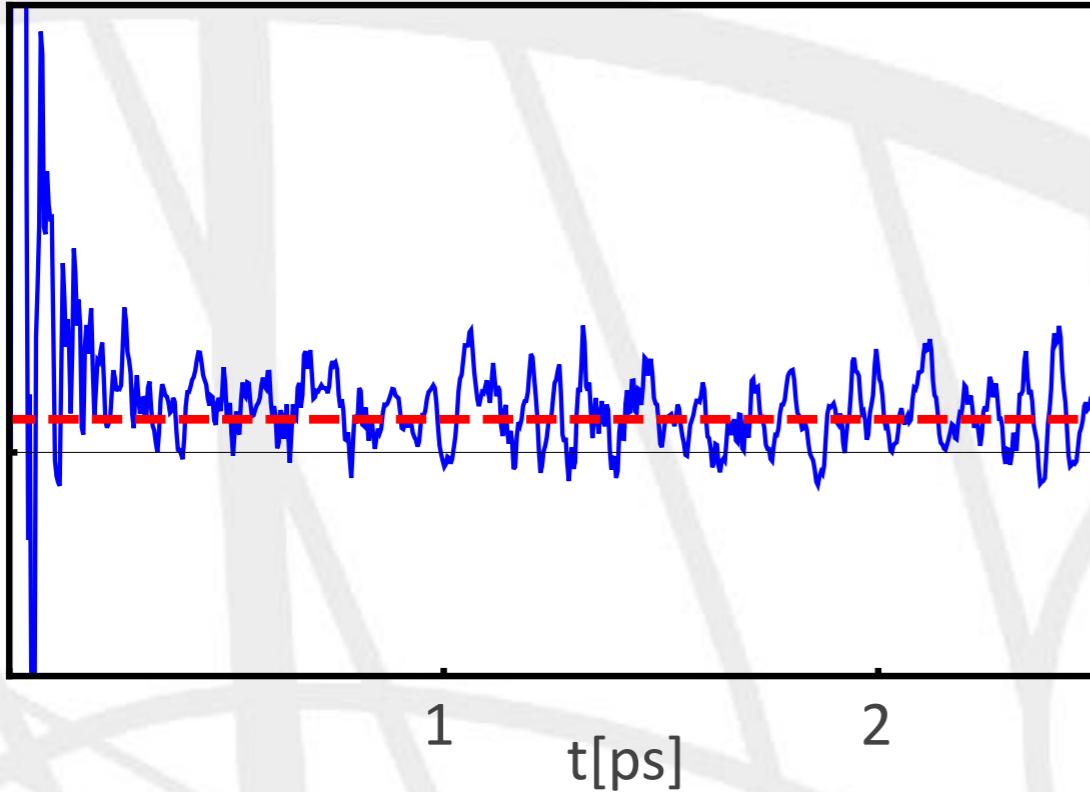
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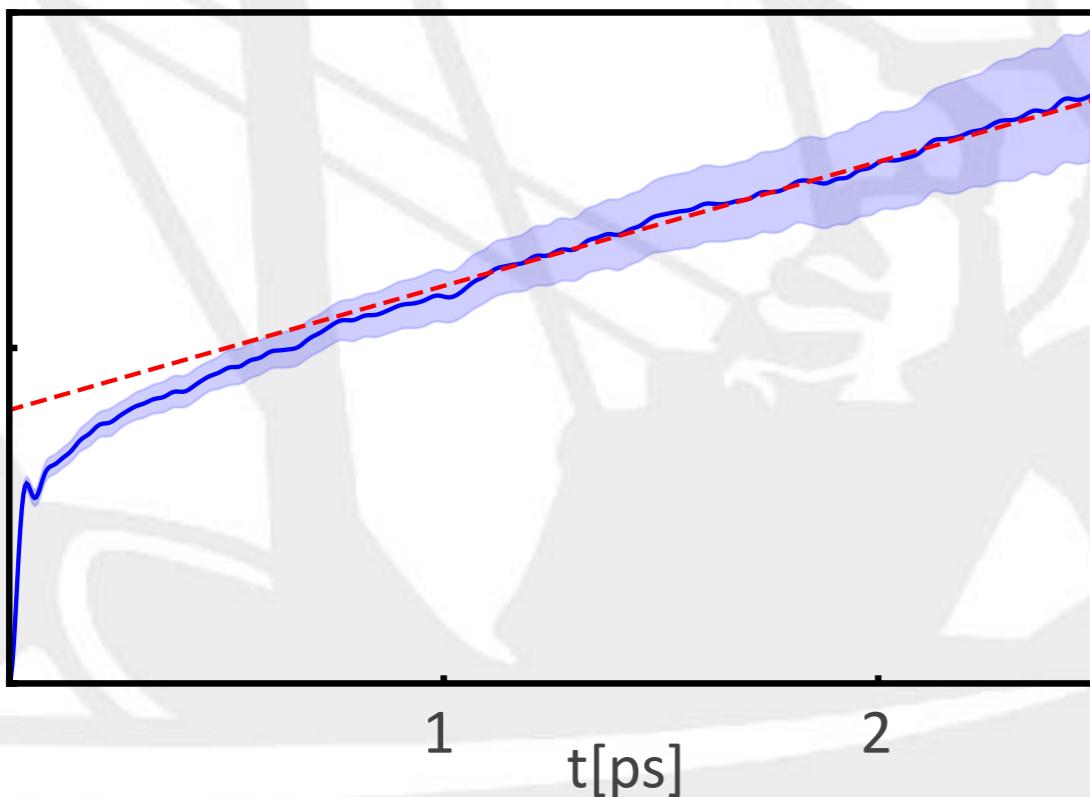
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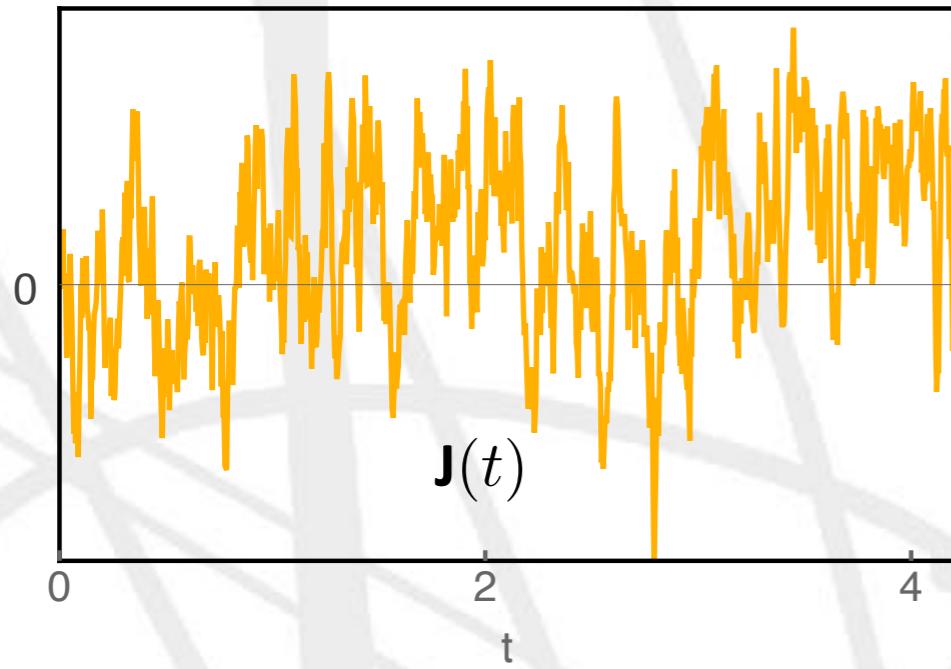
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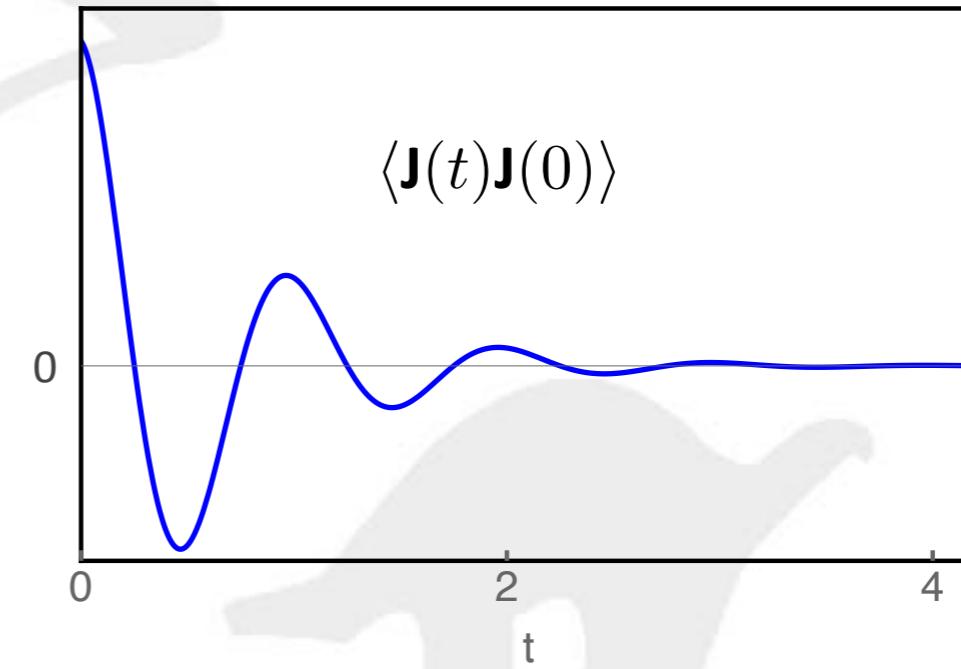
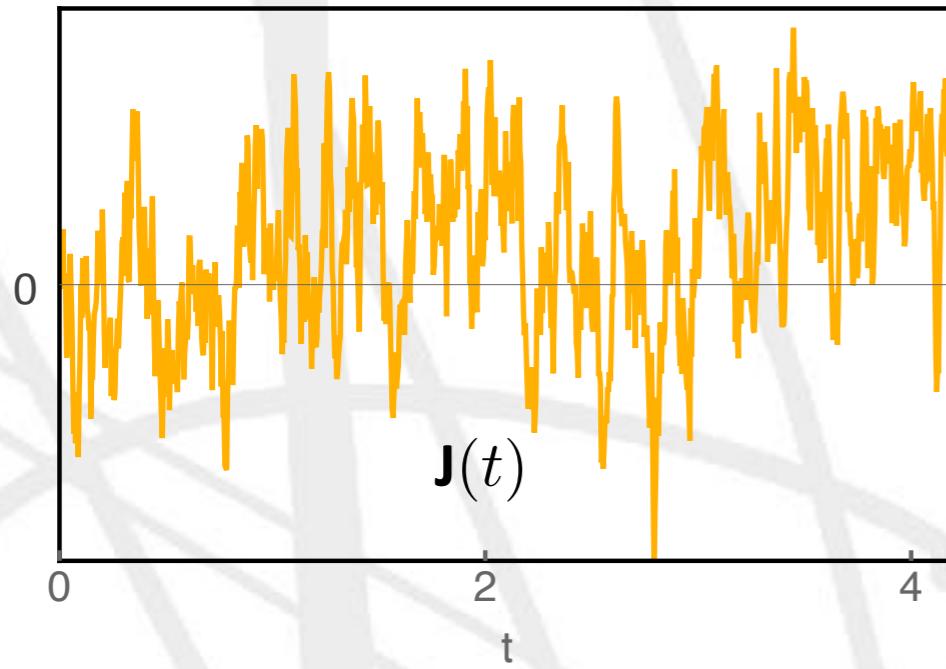
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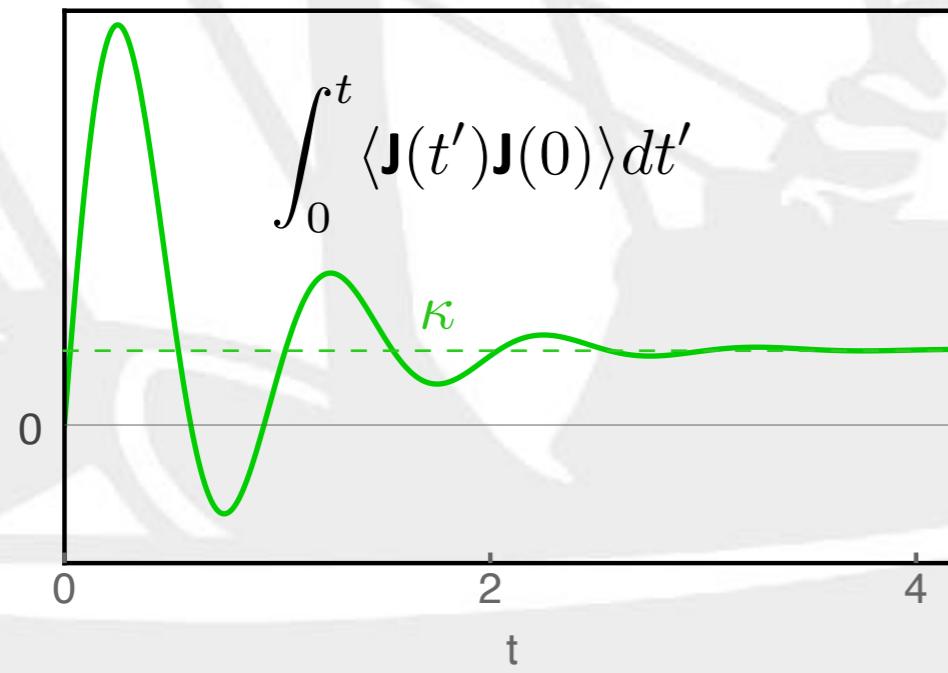
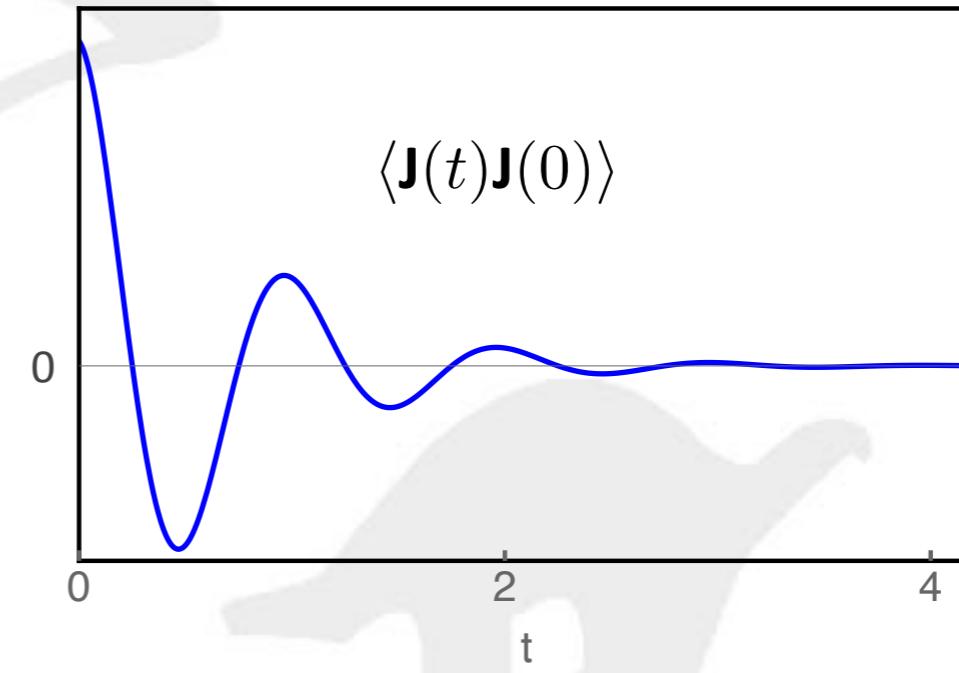
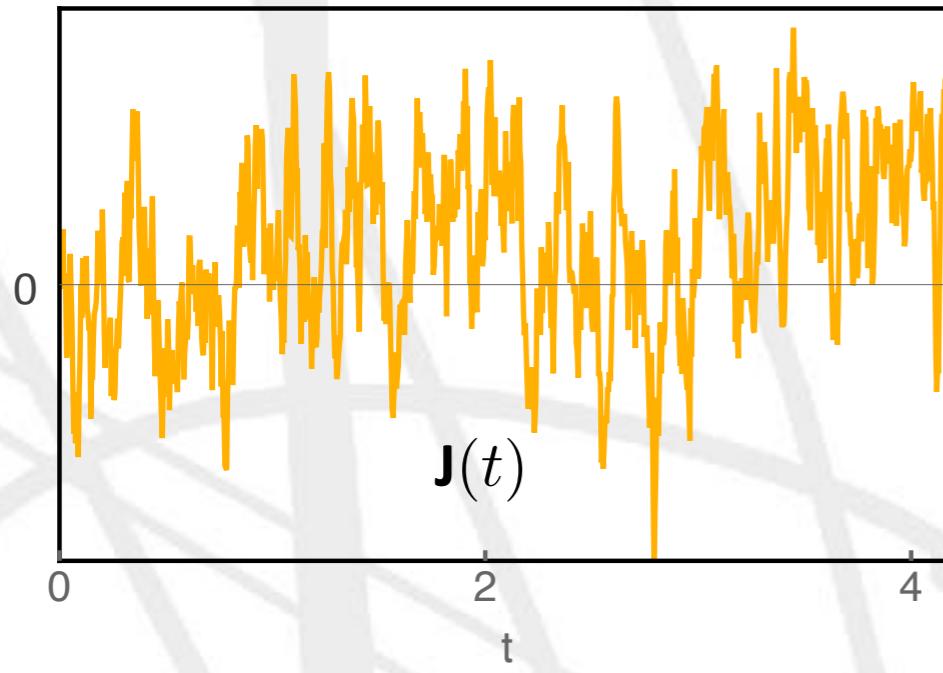
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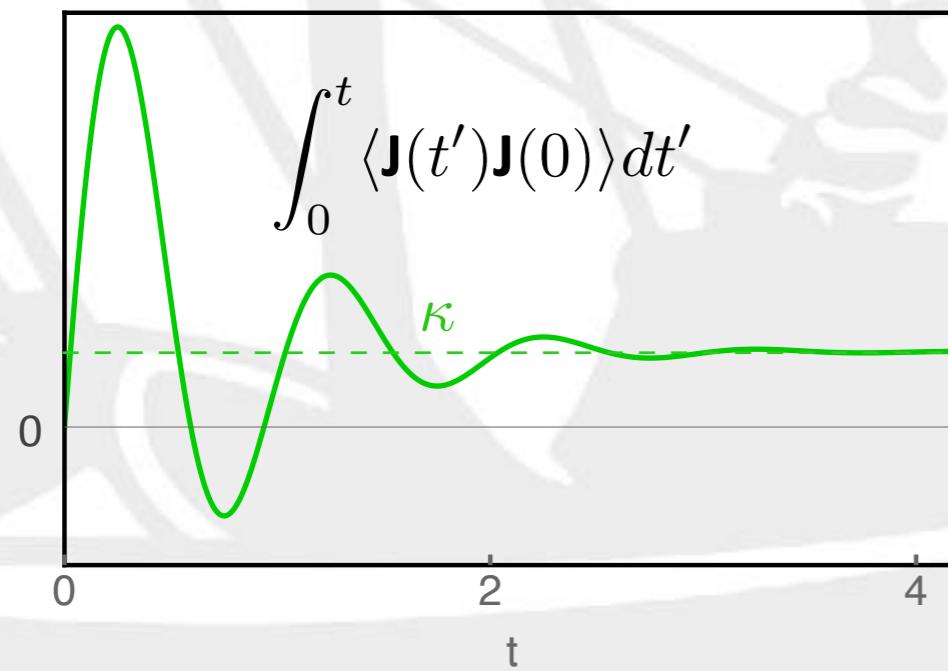
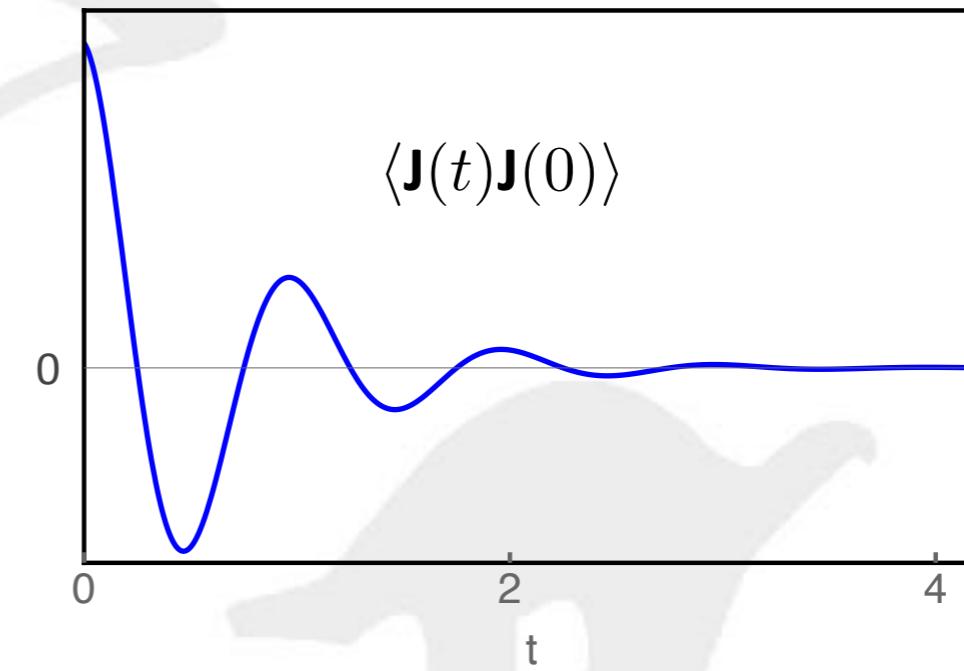
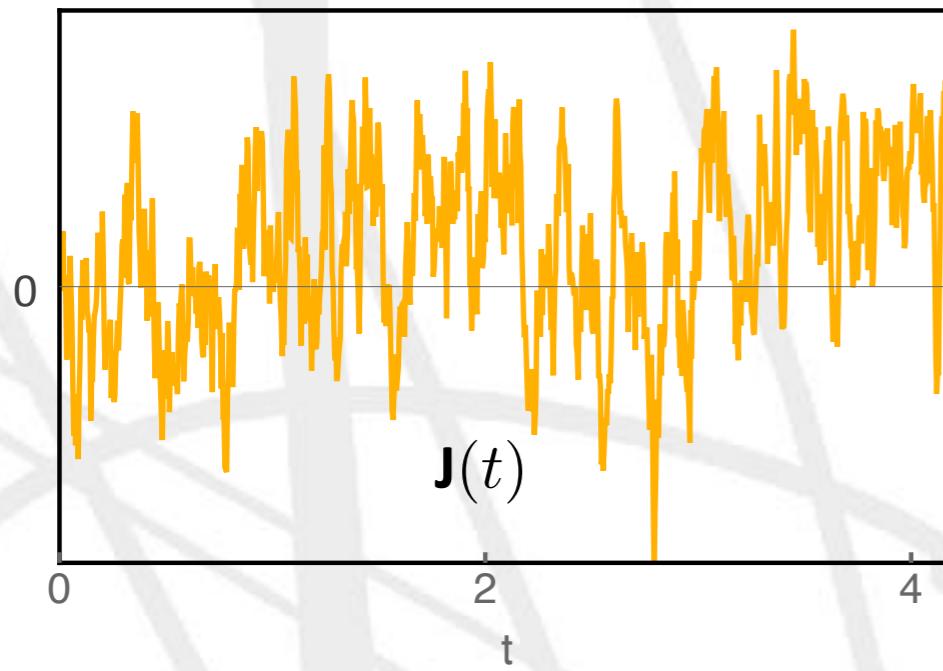
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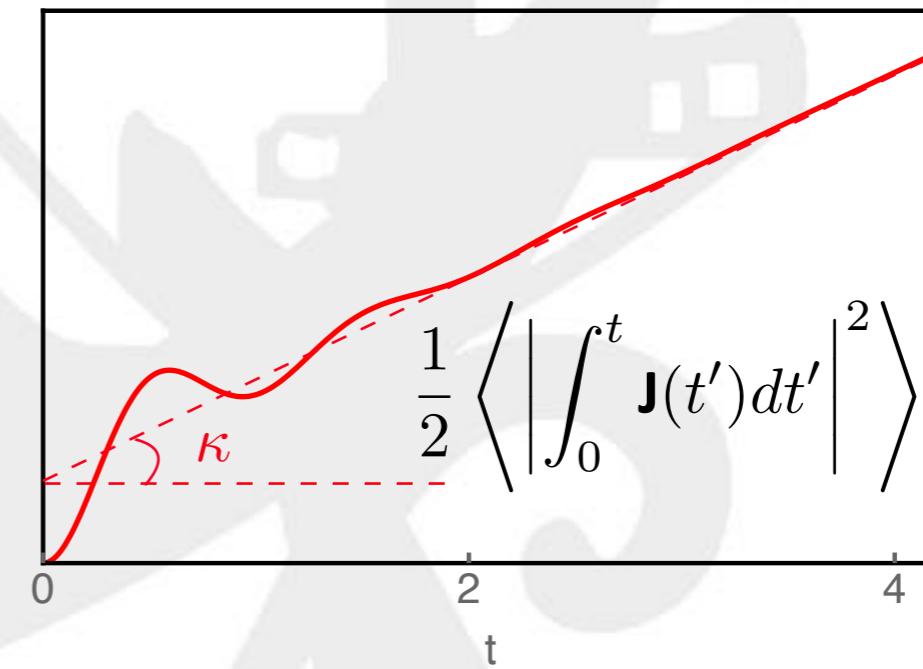
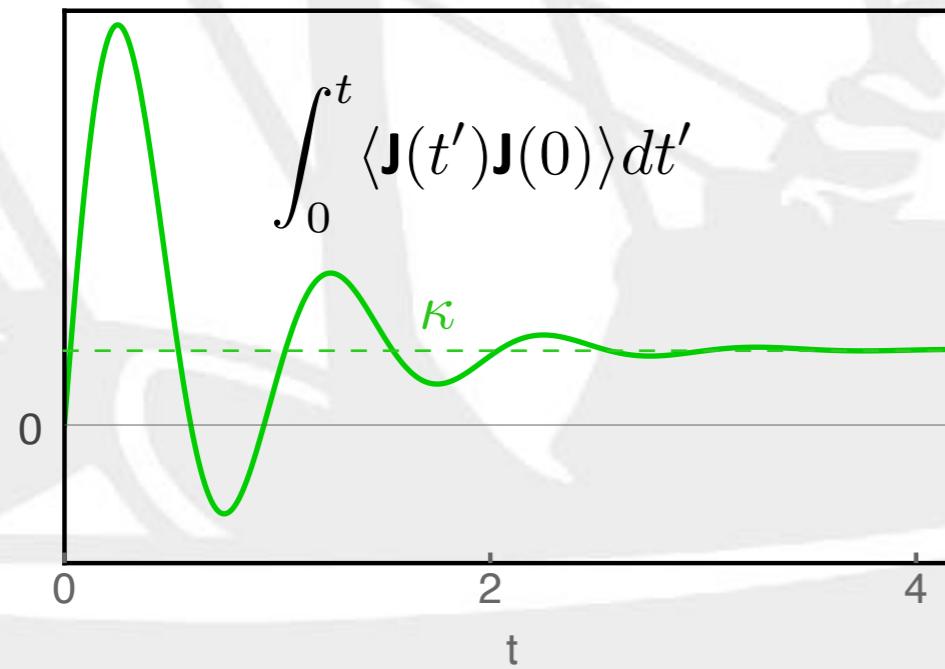
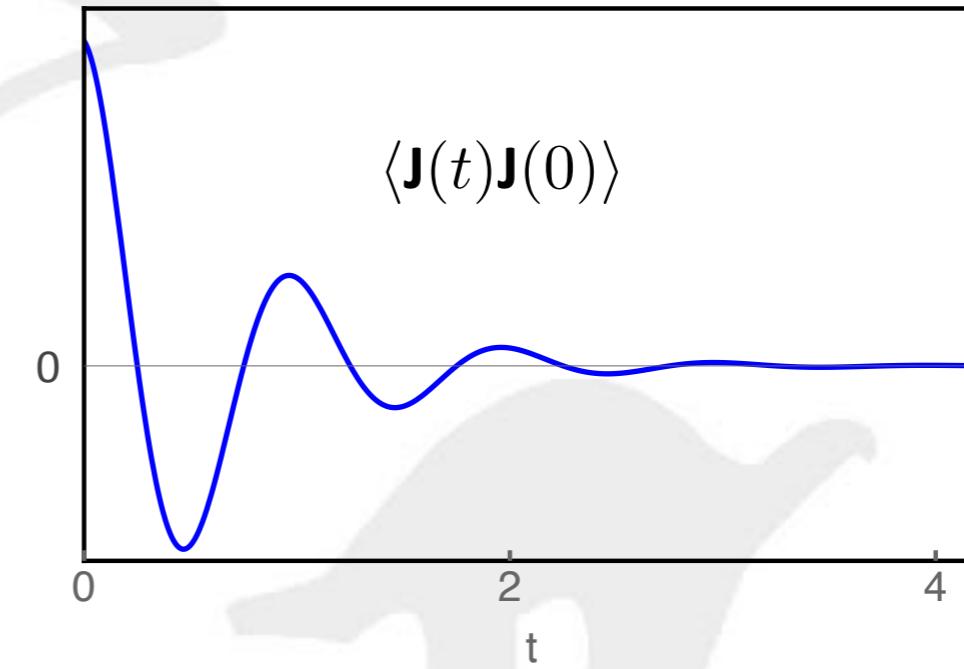
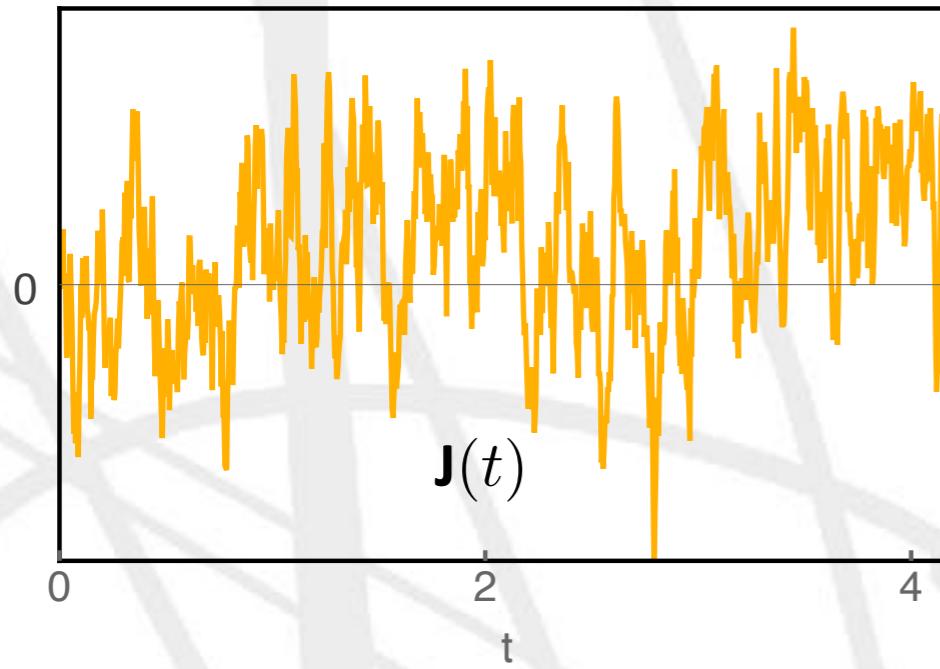
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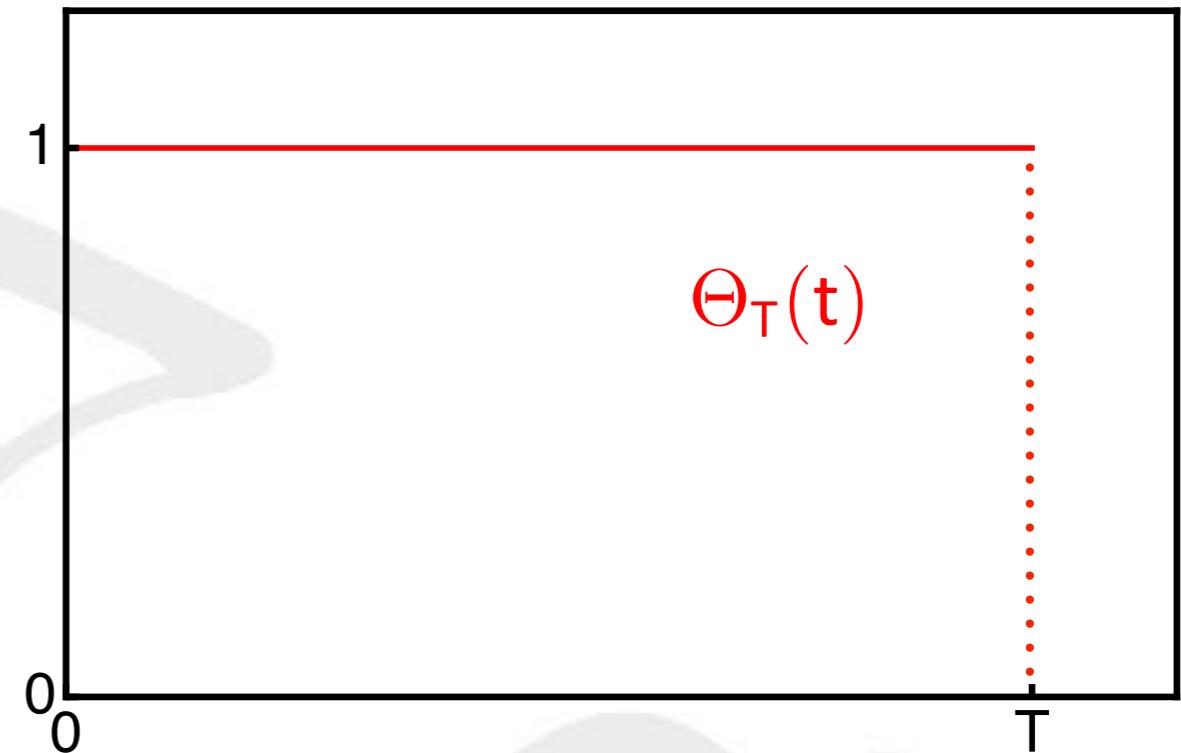


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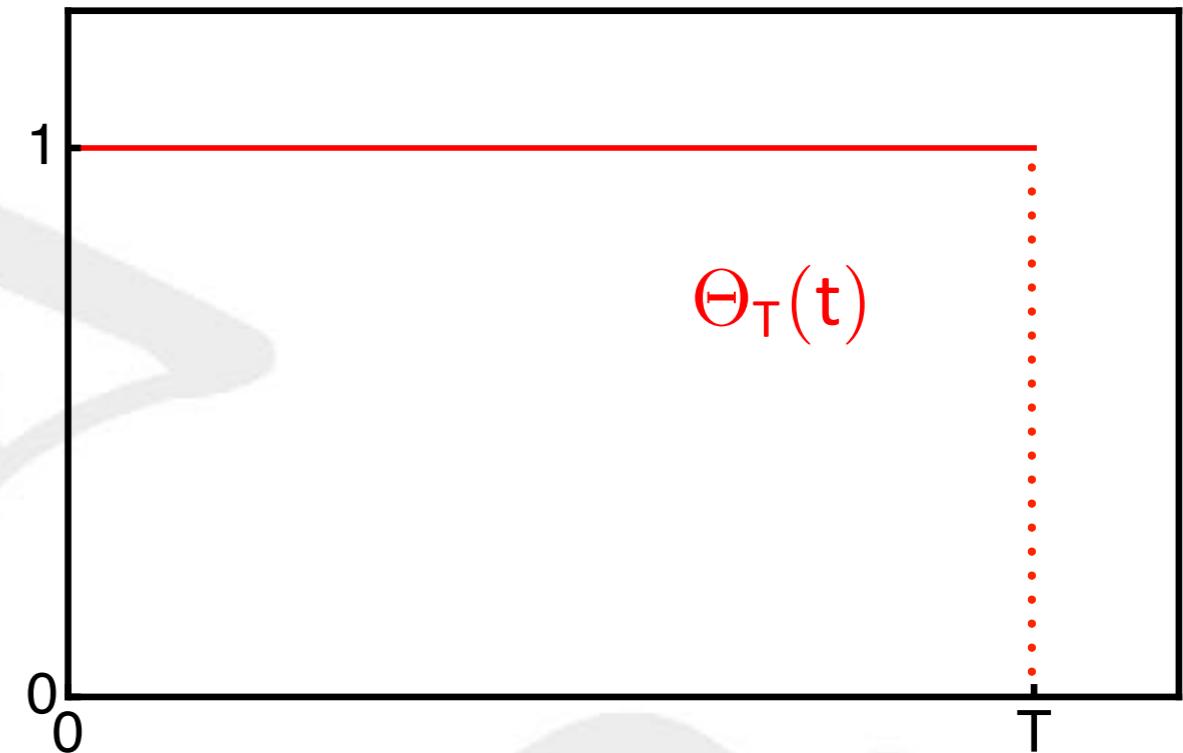
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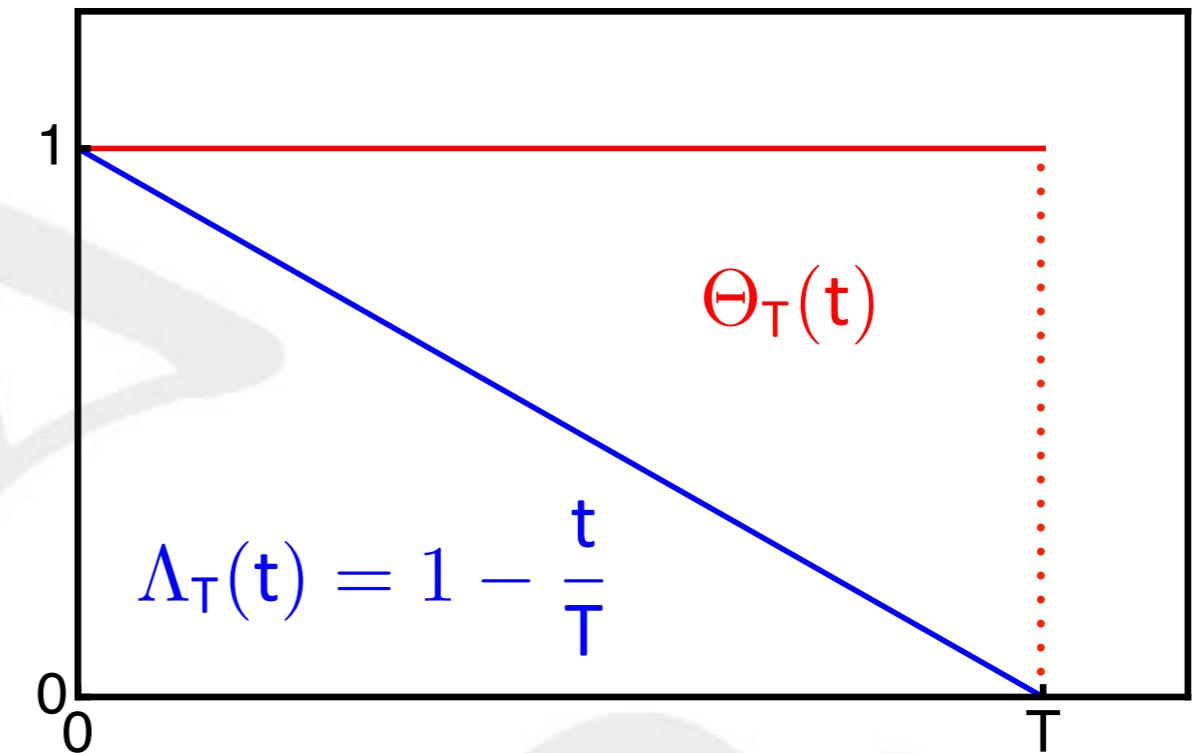
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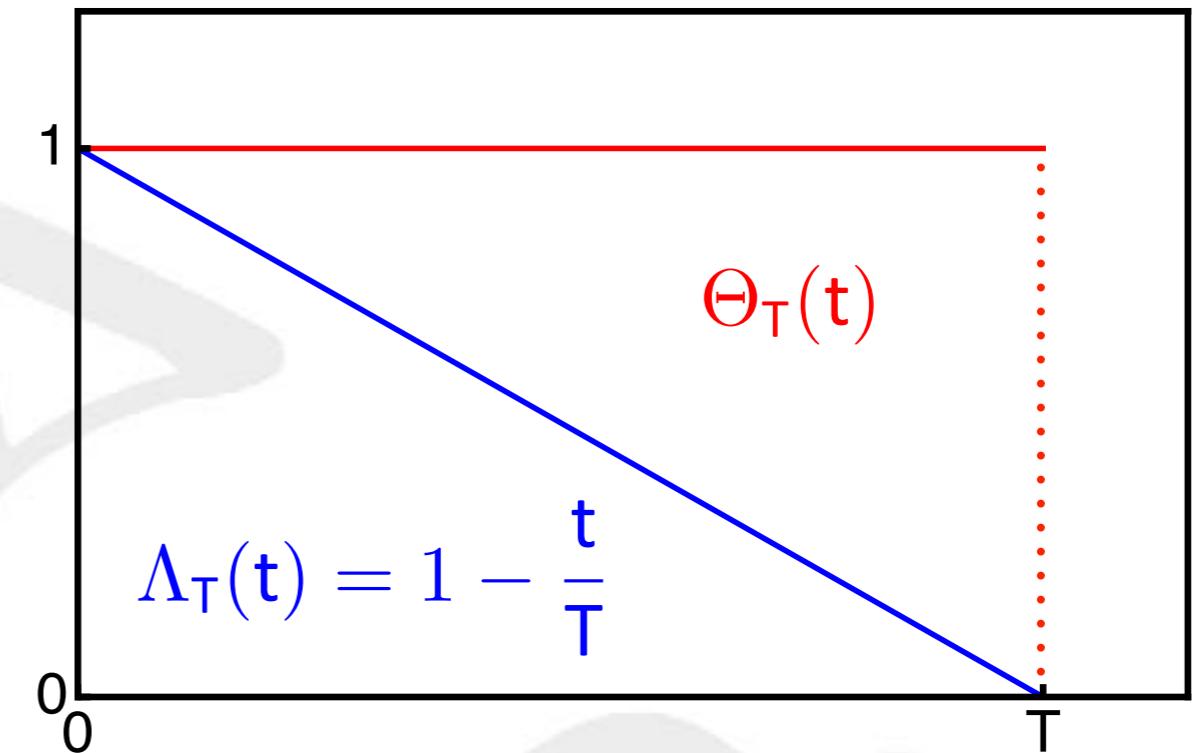
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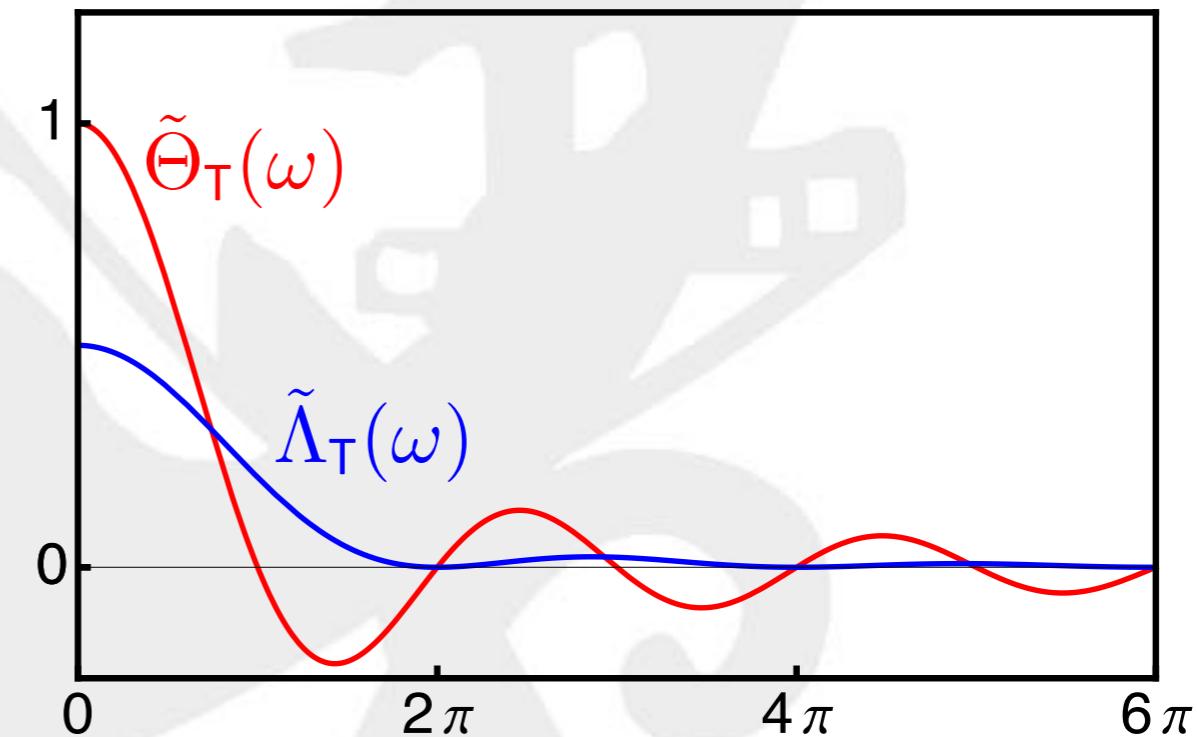
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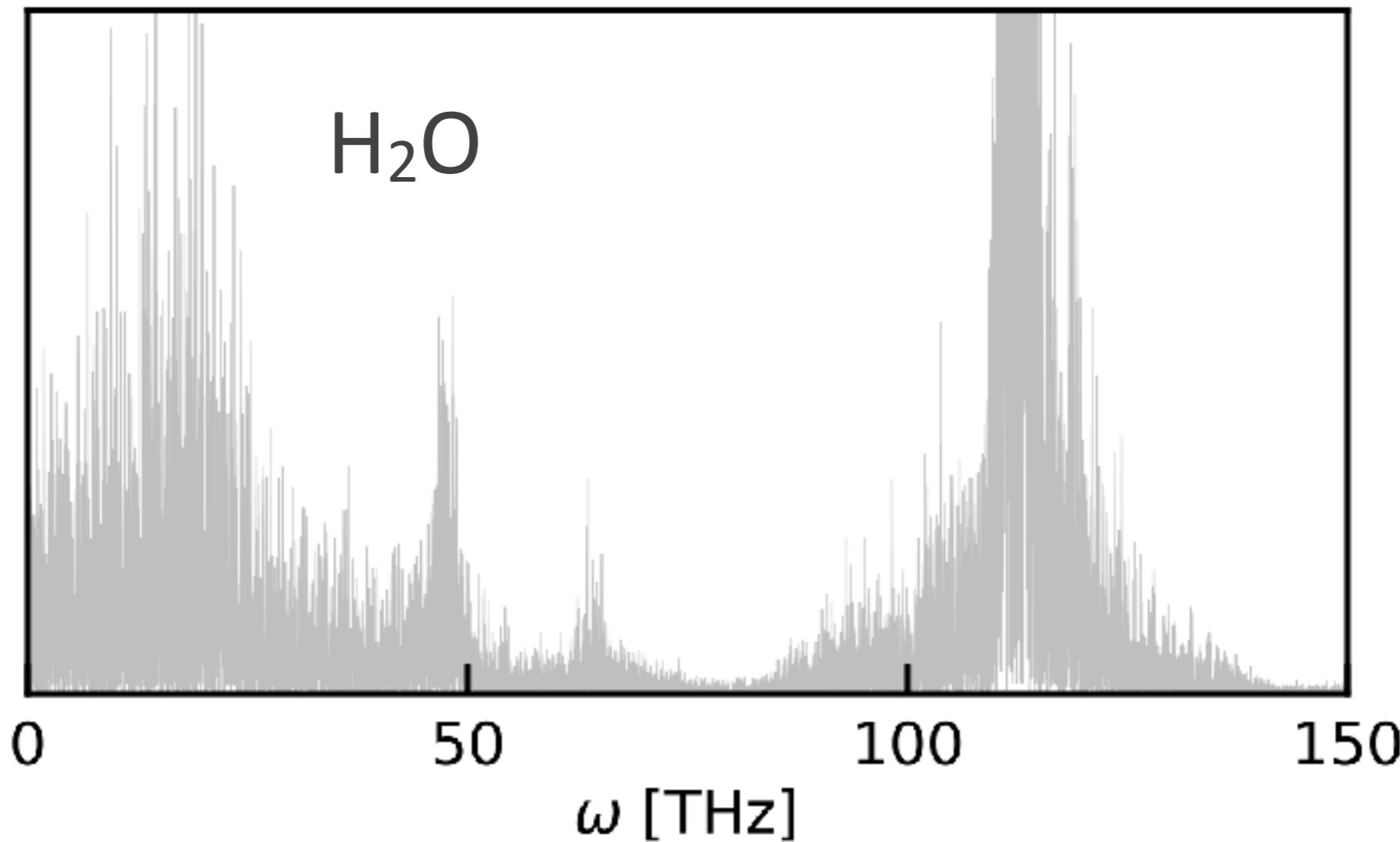
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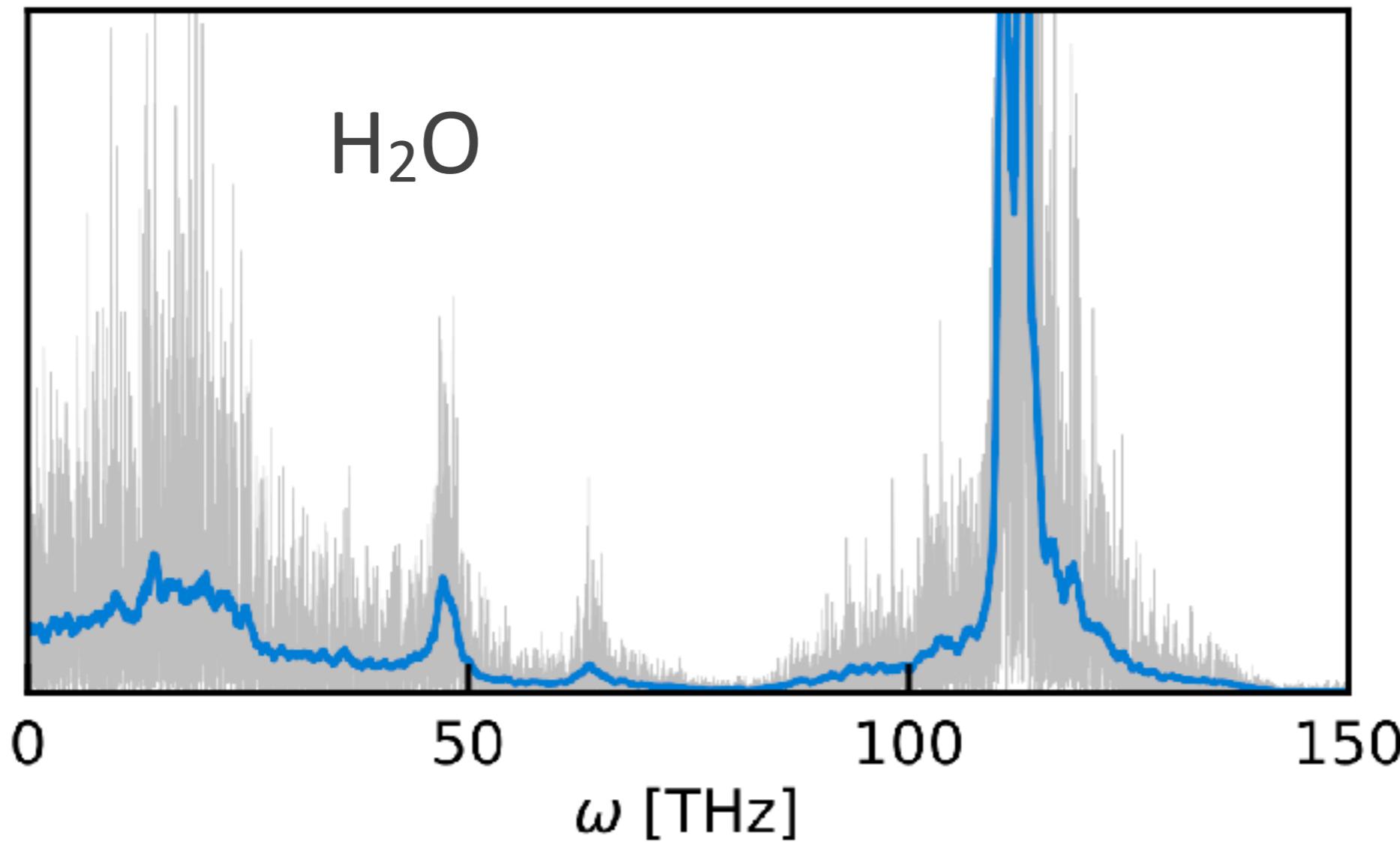
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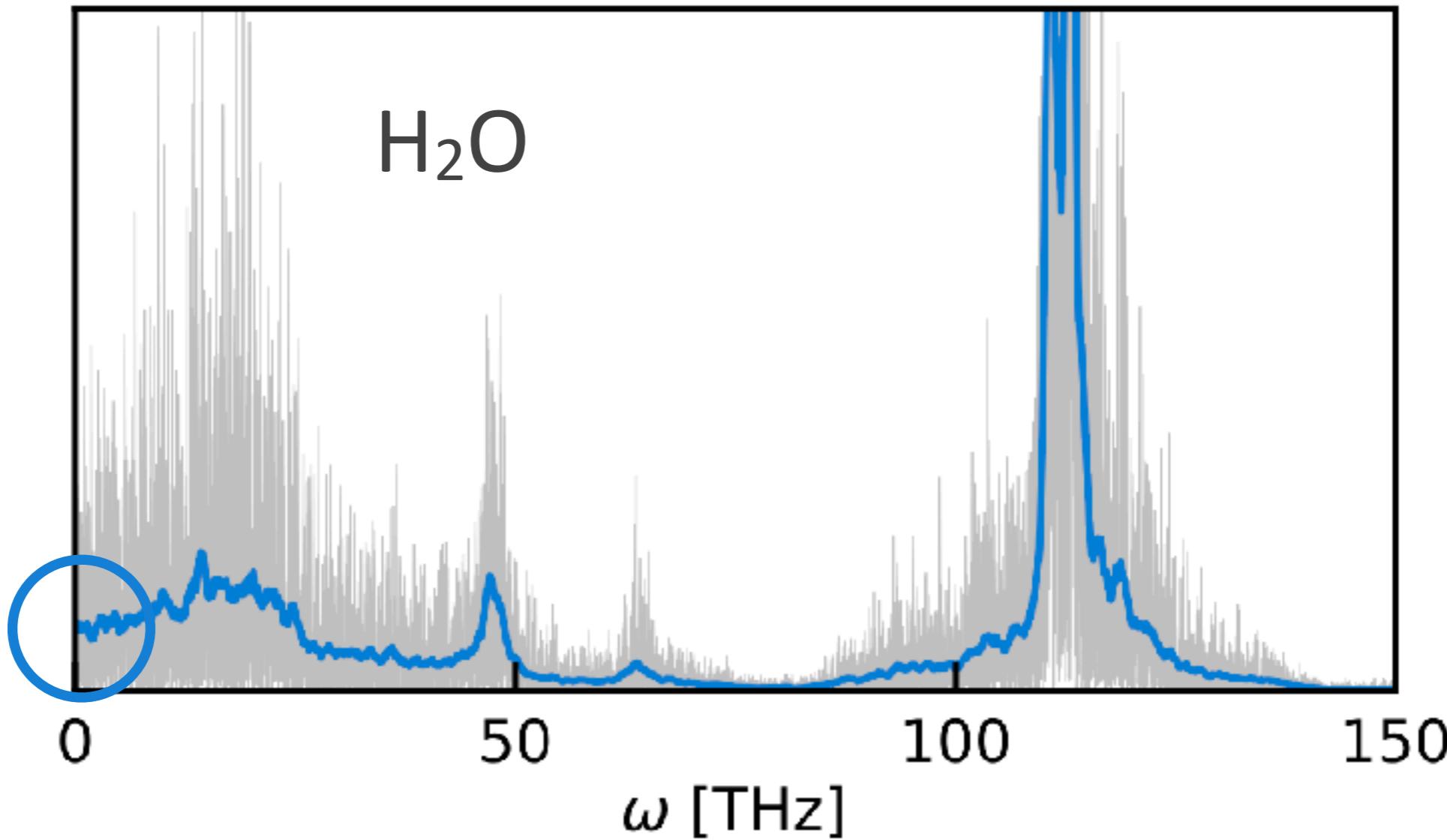
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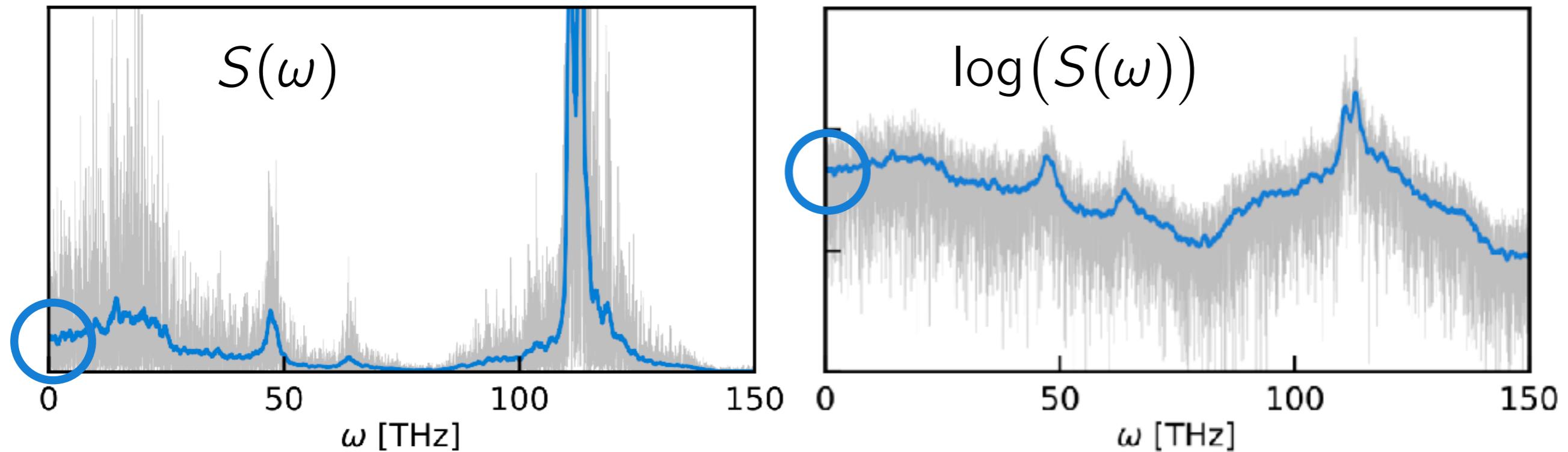
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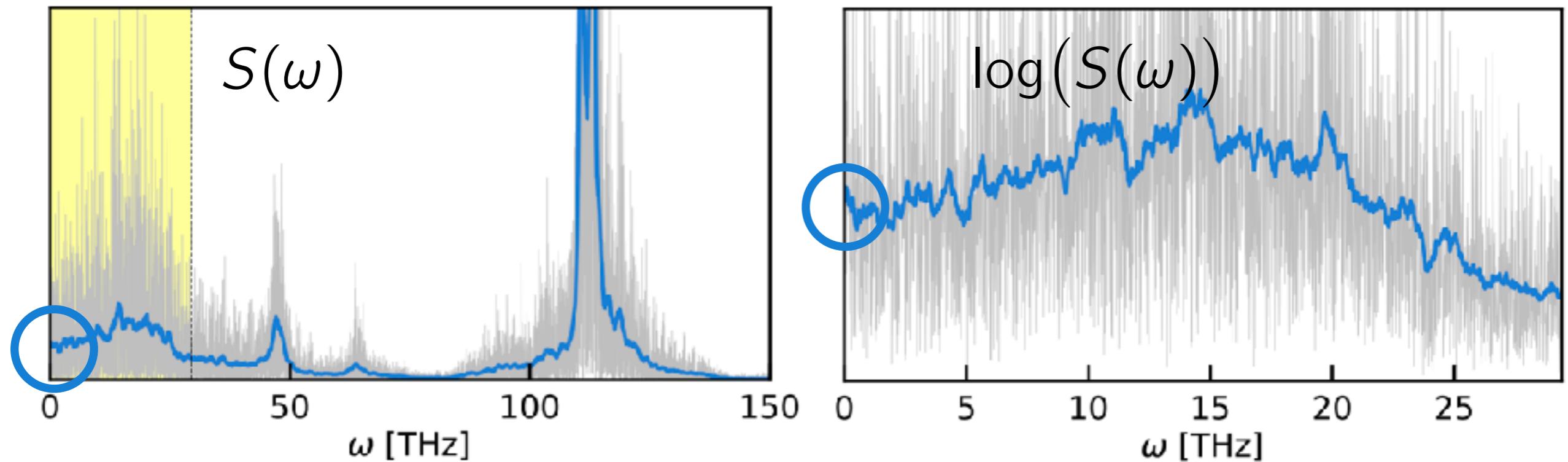
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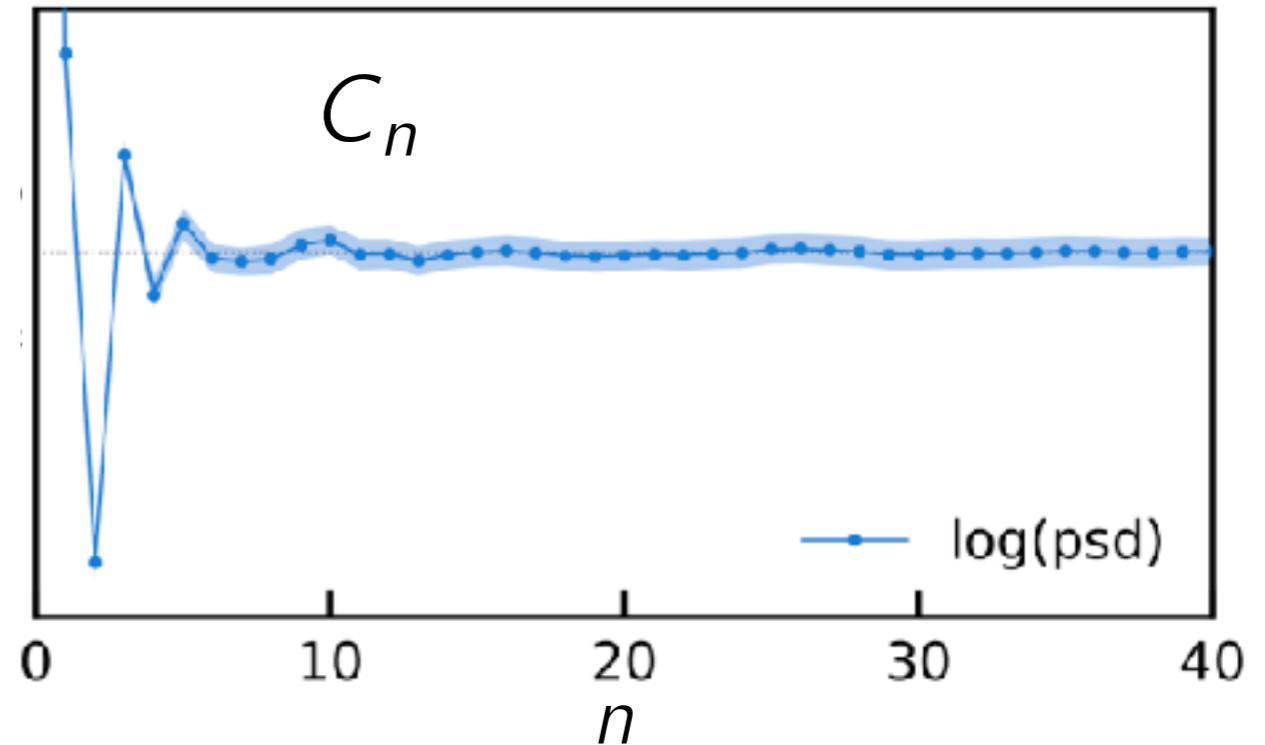
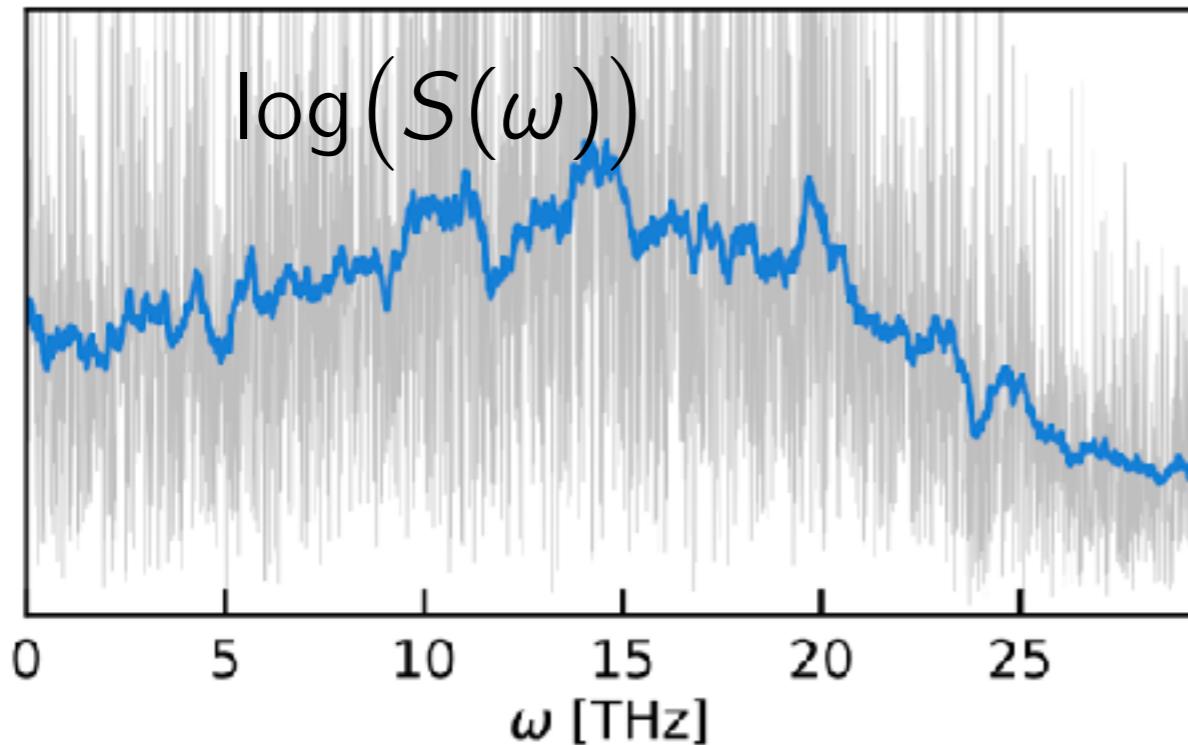
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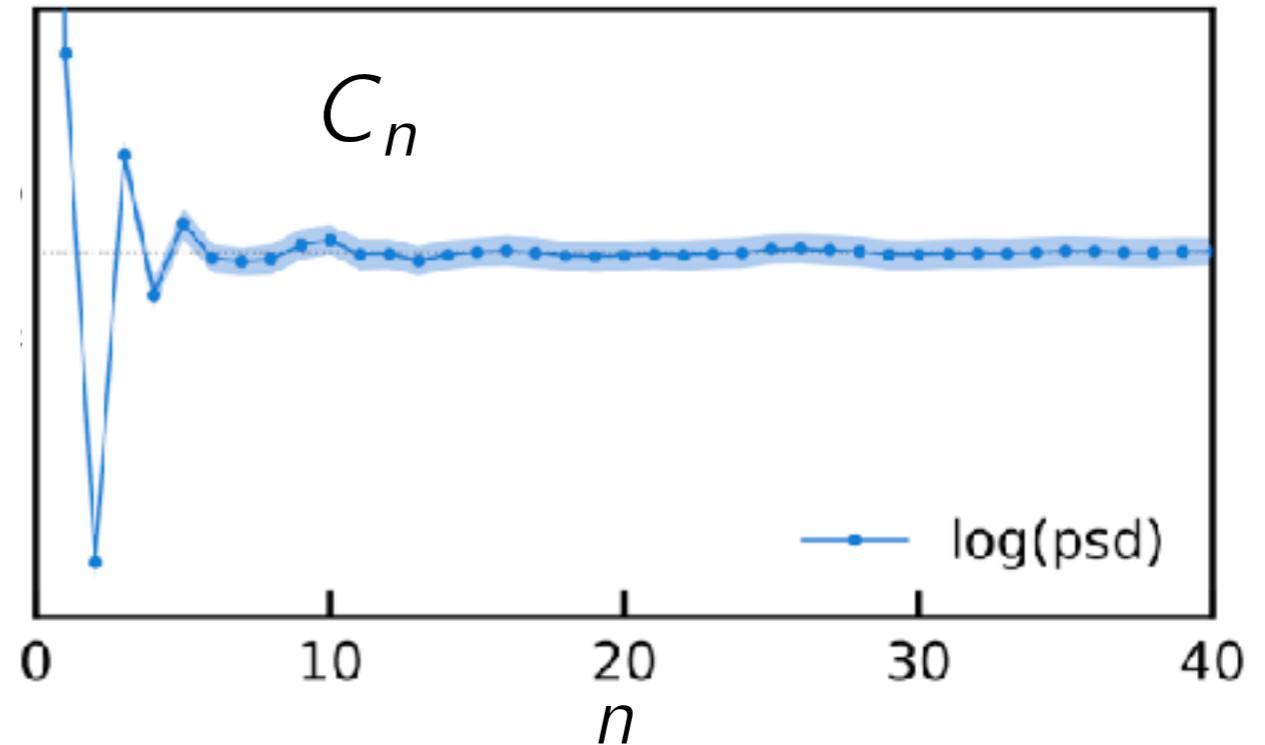
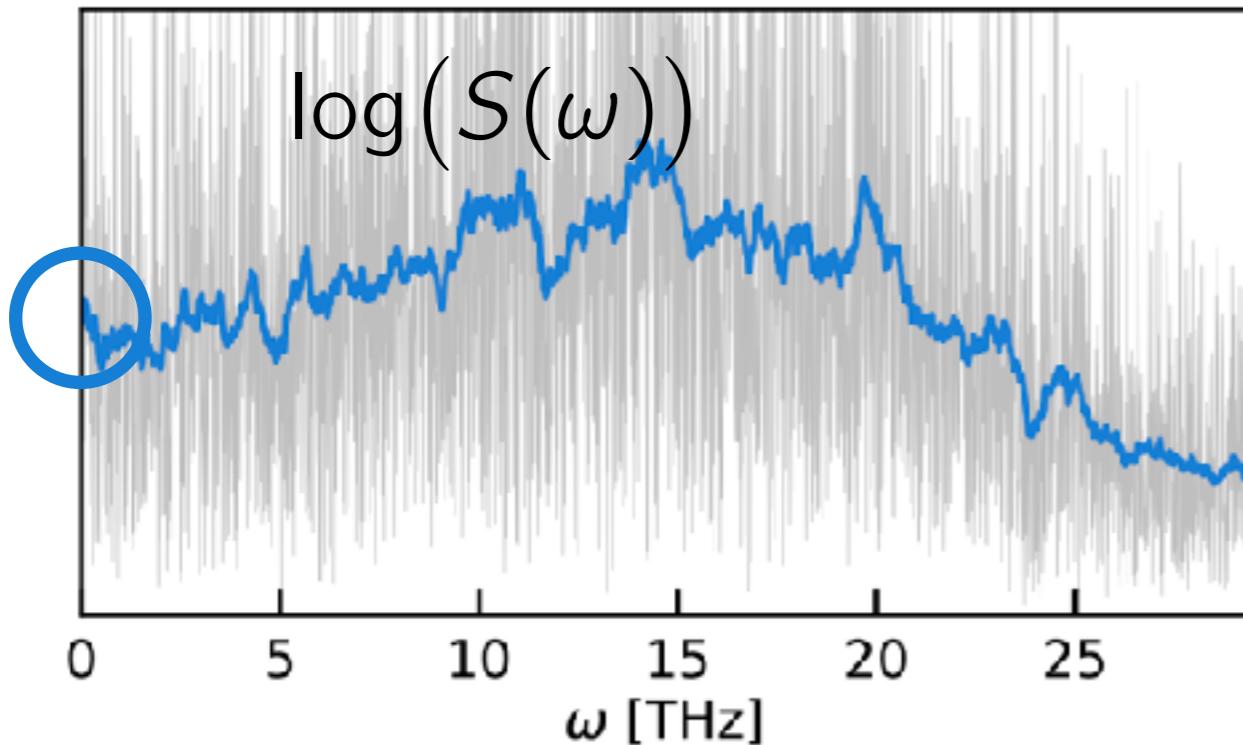
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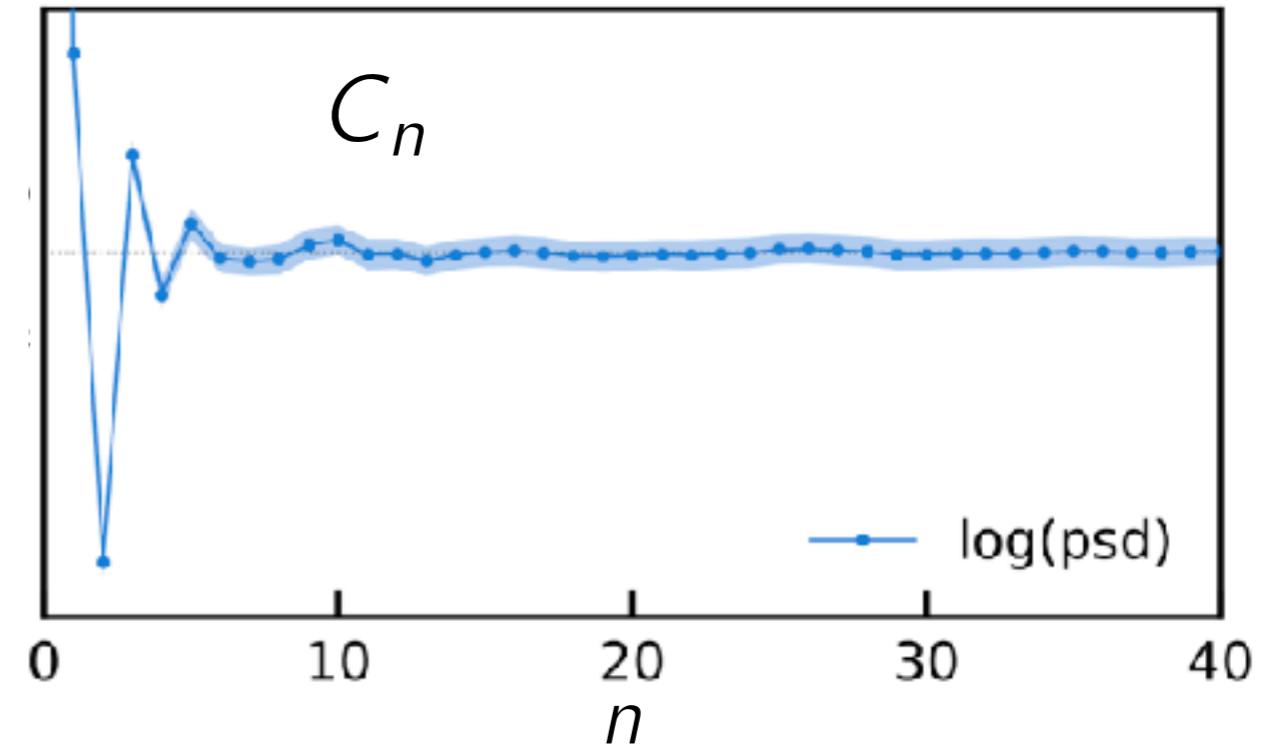
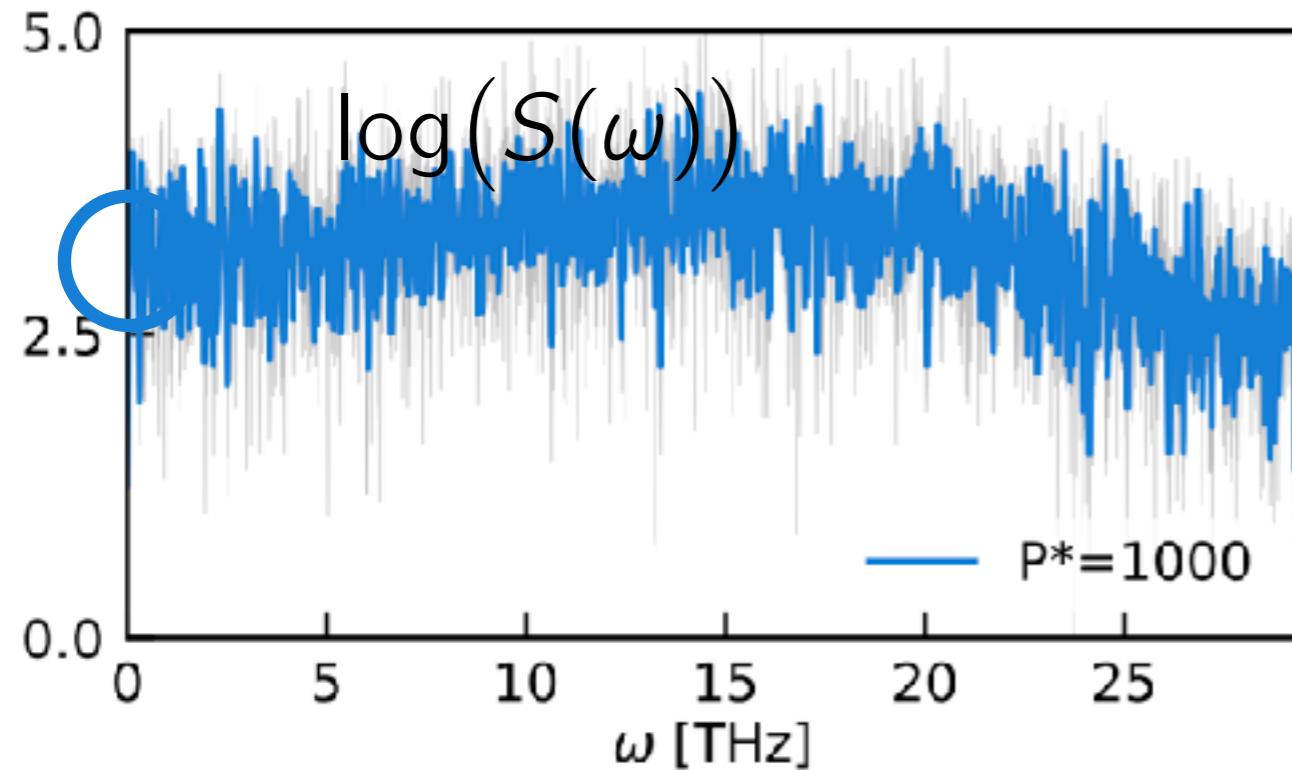


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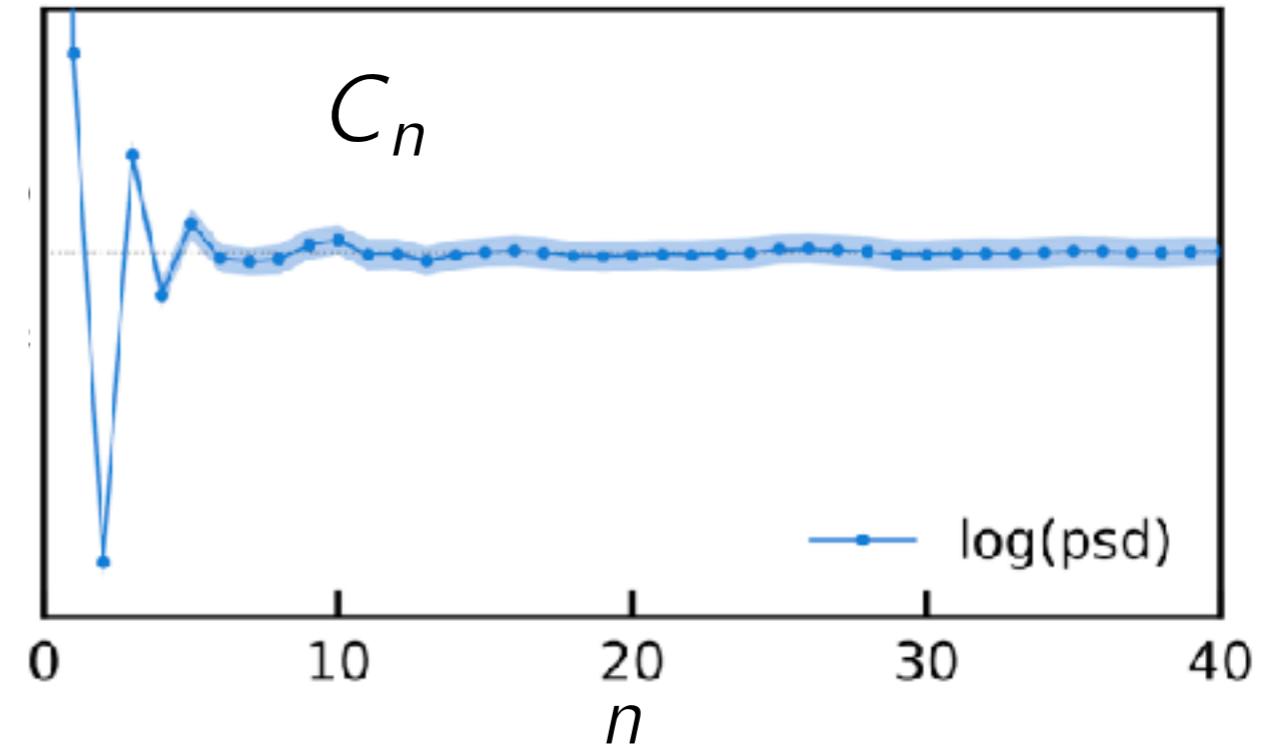
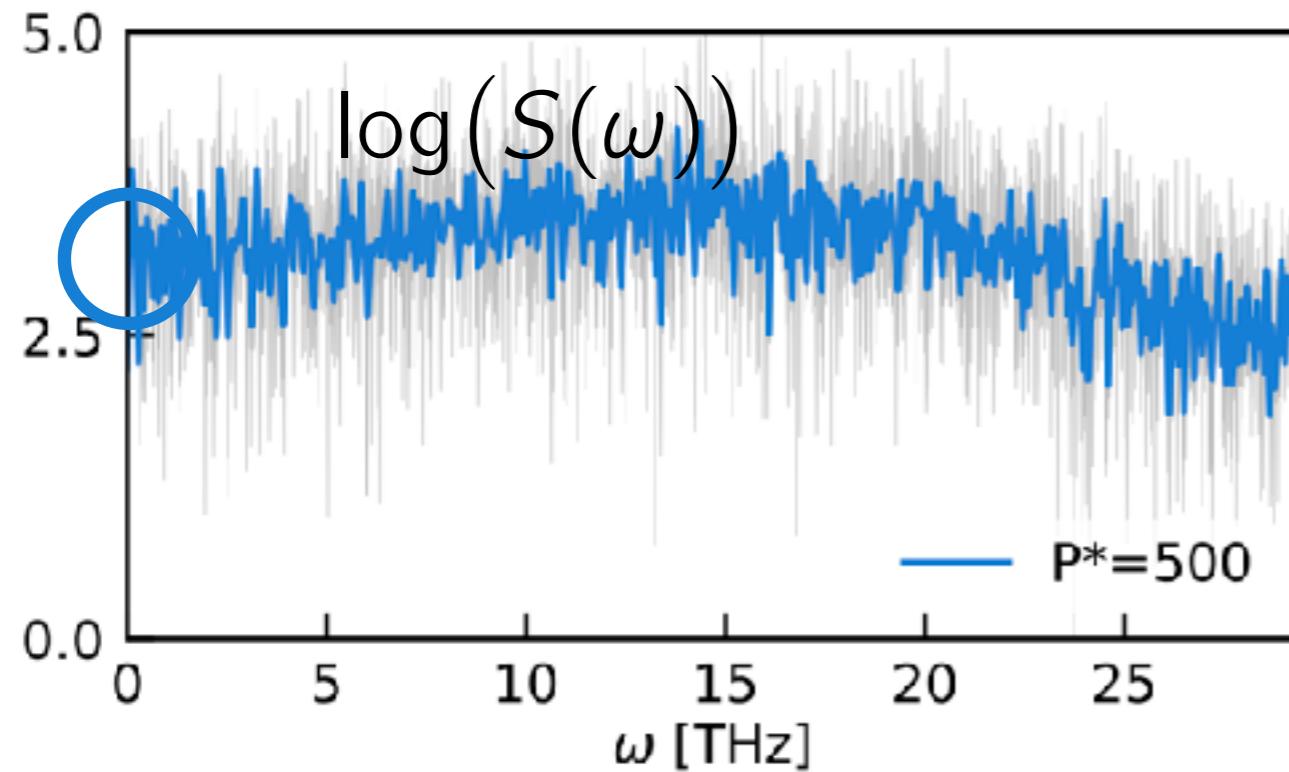


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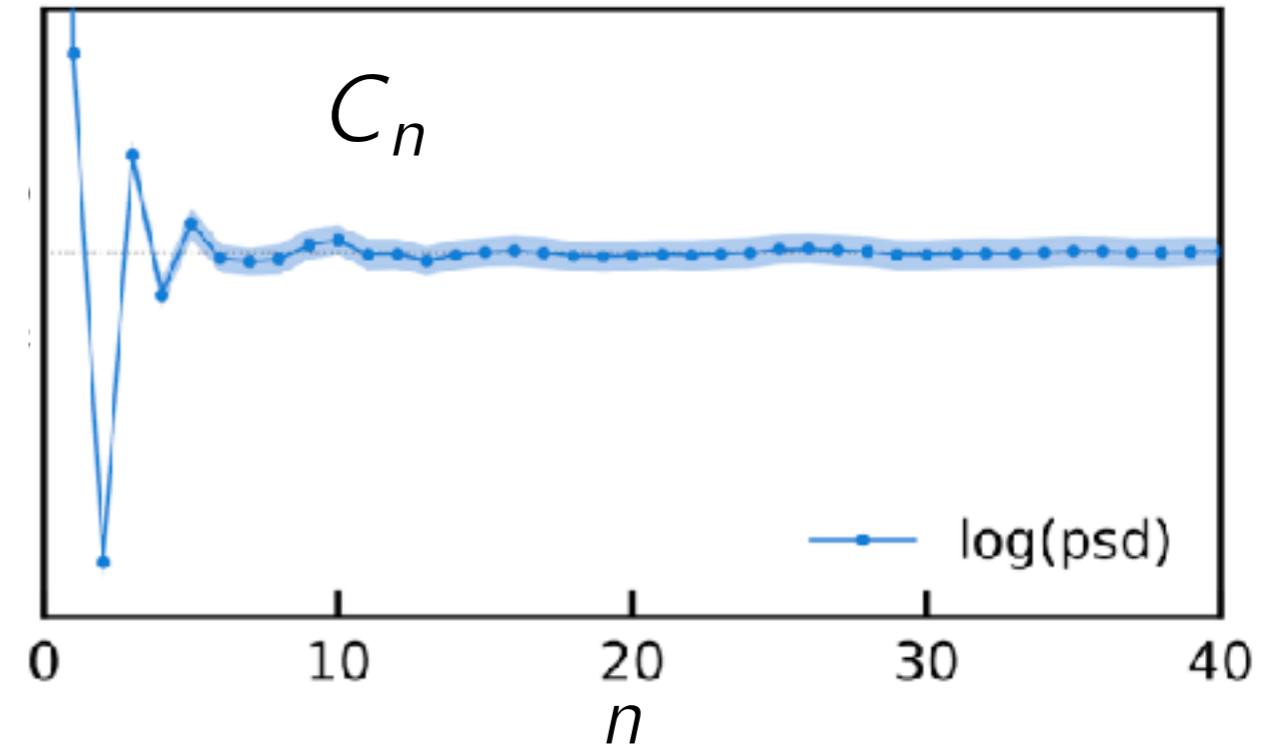
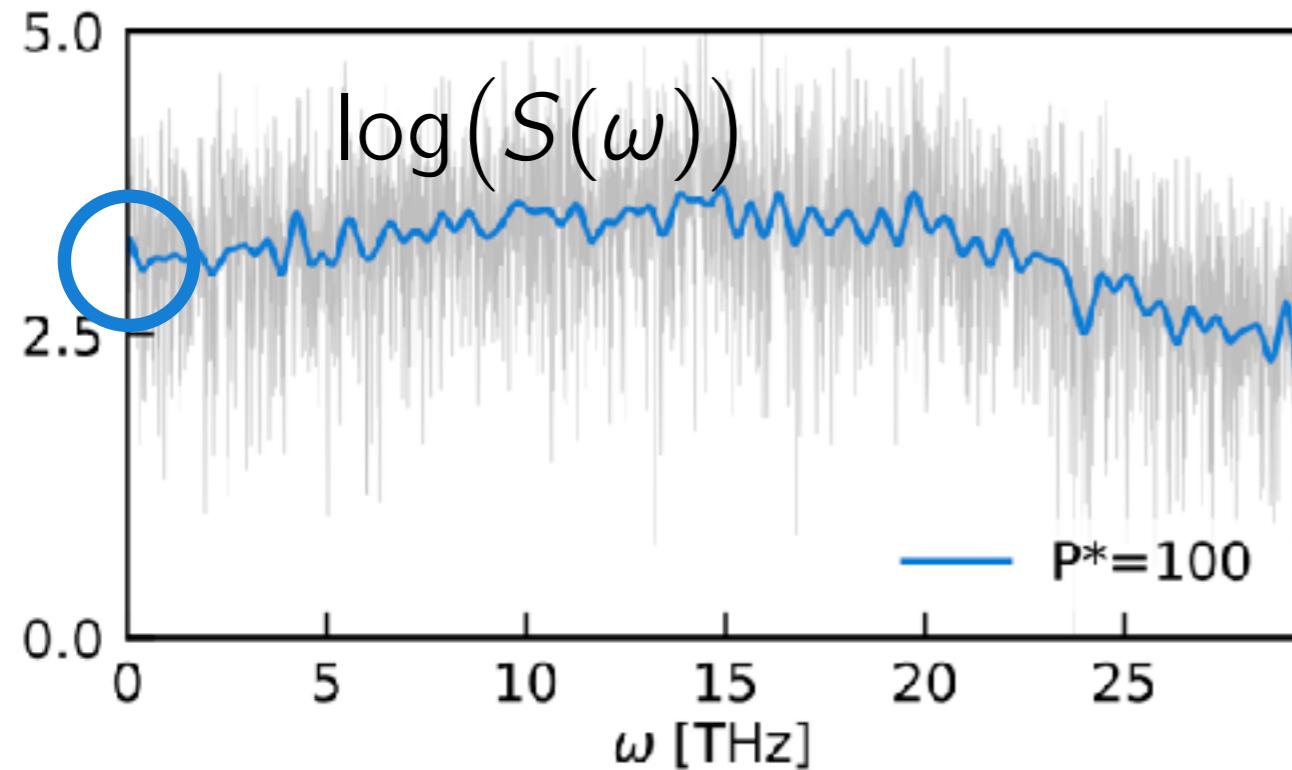


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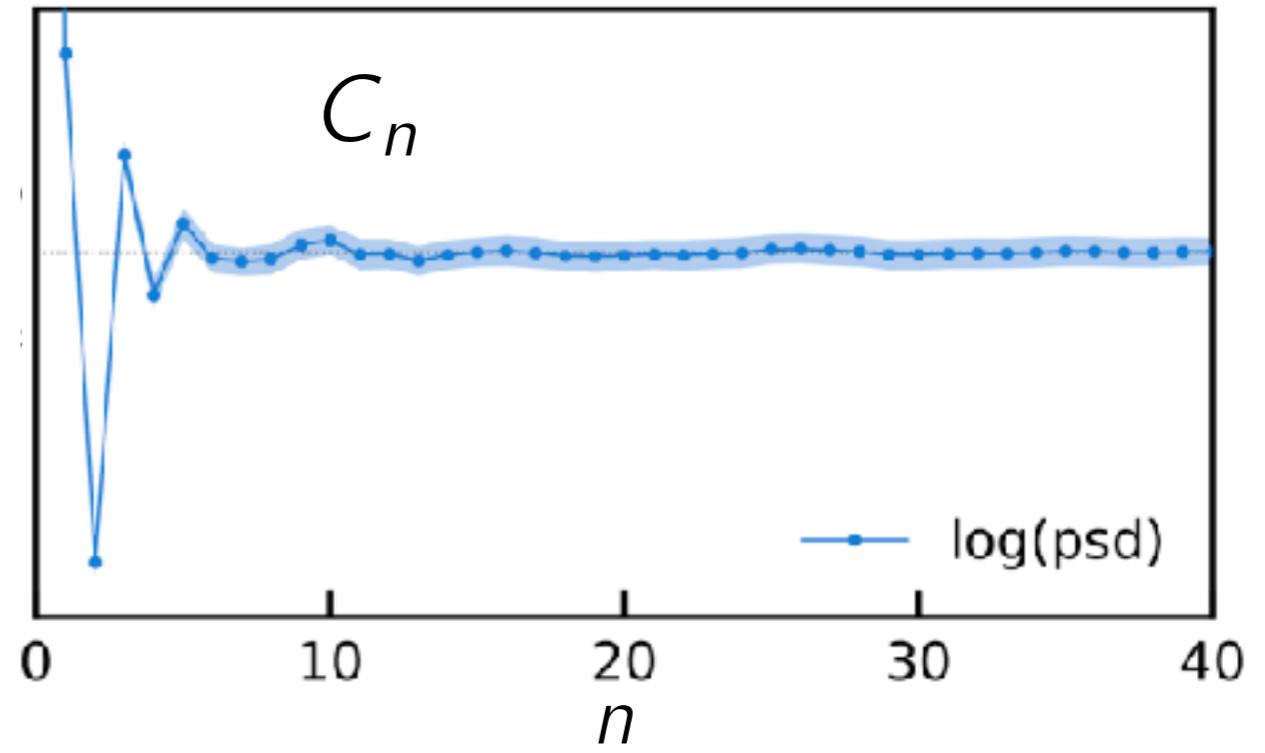
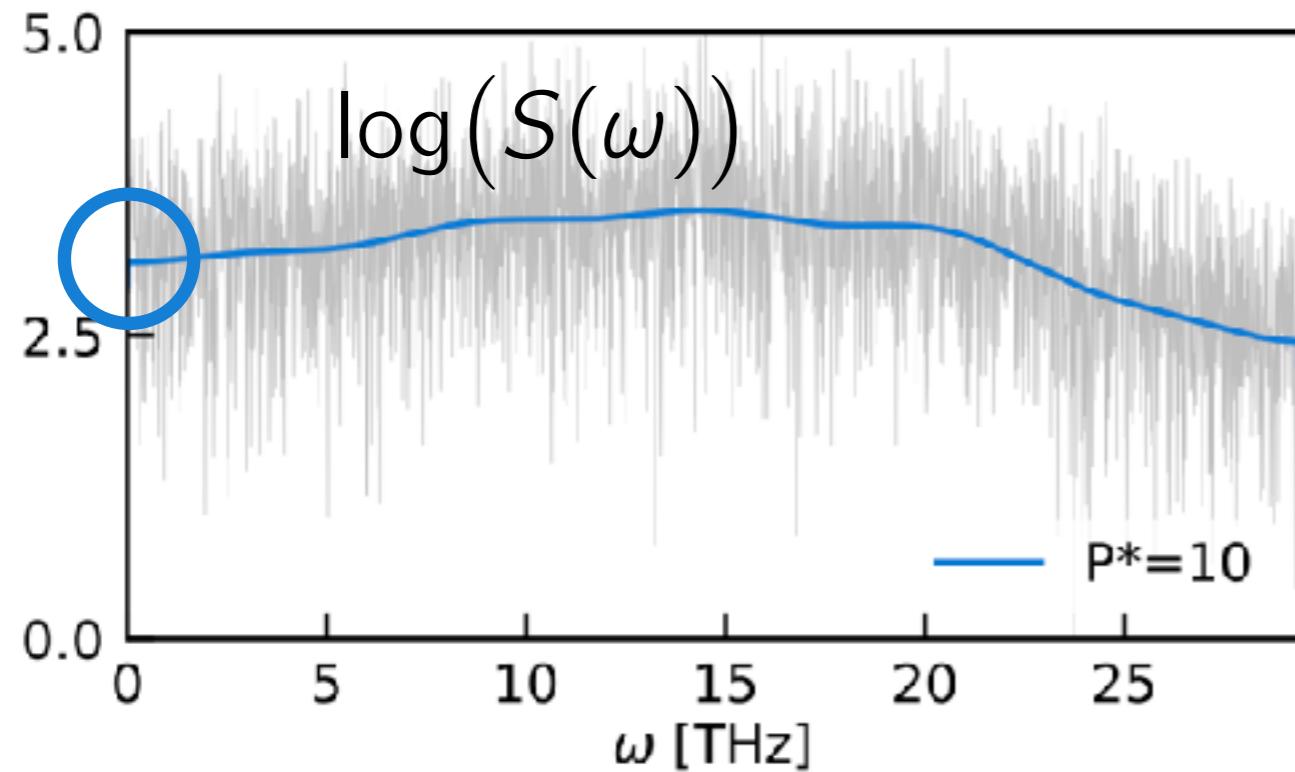


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# hurdles towards an ab initio Green-Kubo theory

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## Thermal Conductivity of Periclase (MgO) from First Principles

Stephen Stackhouse, Lars Stixrude, and Bijaya B. Karki

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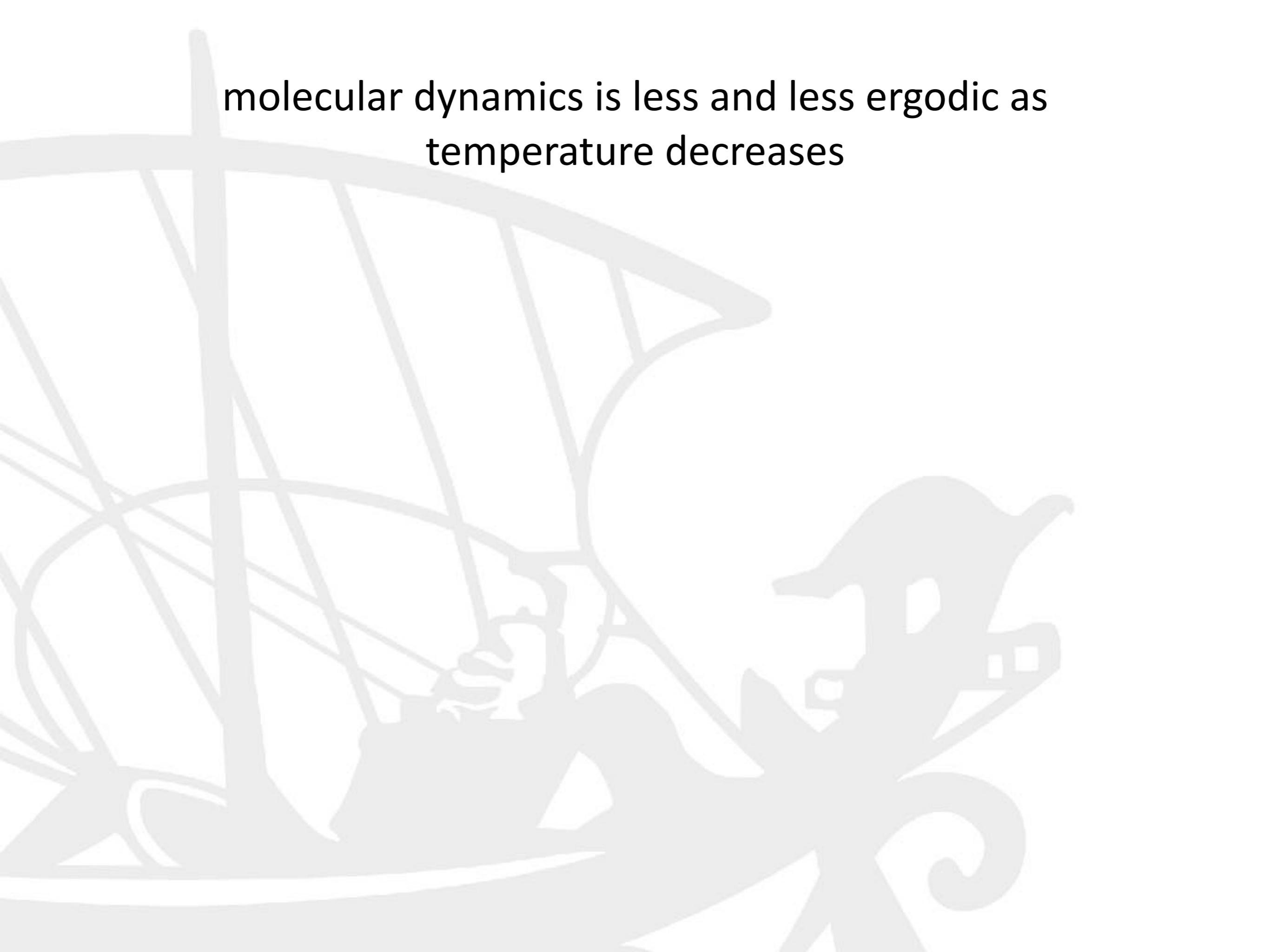


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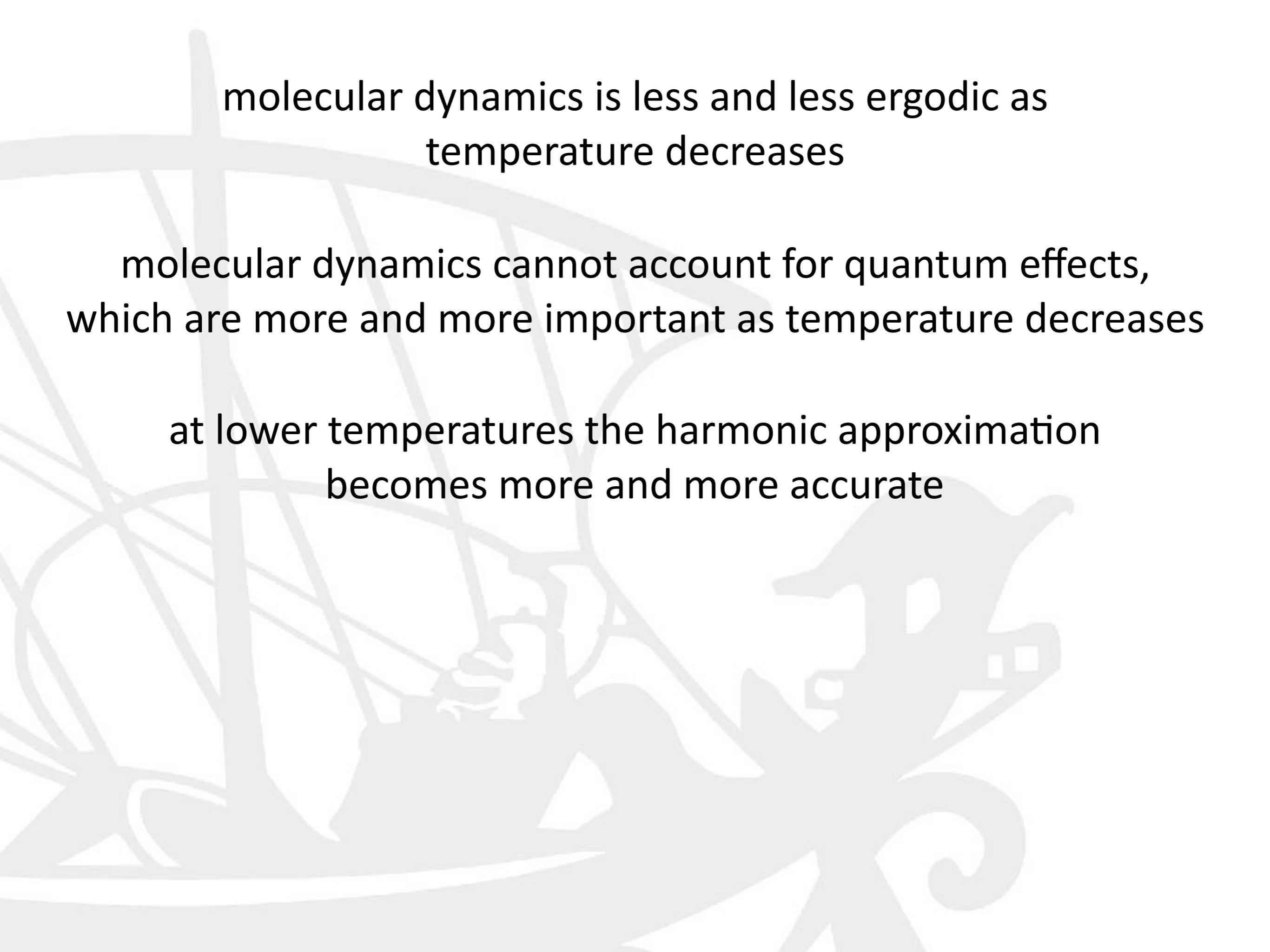
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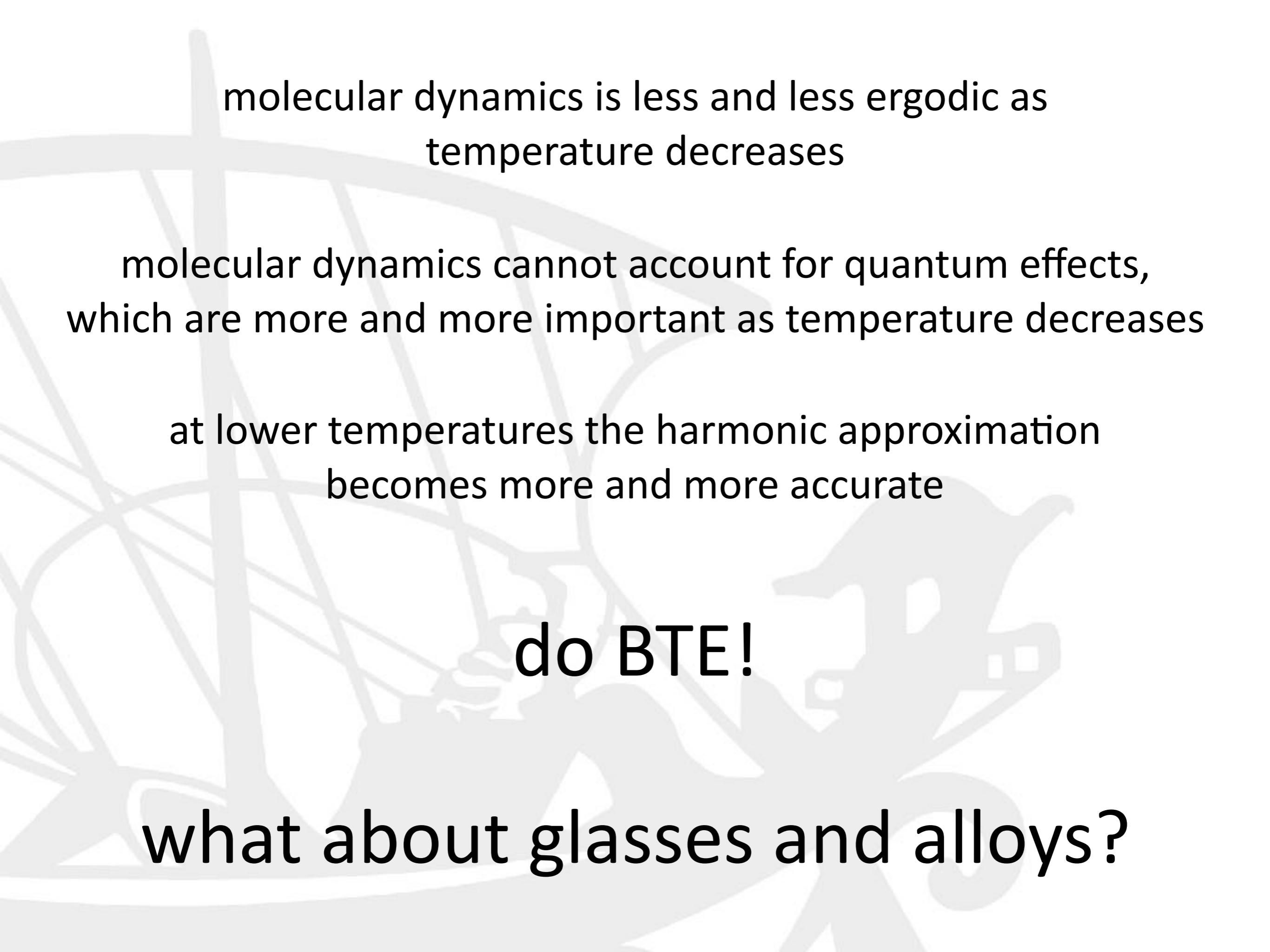
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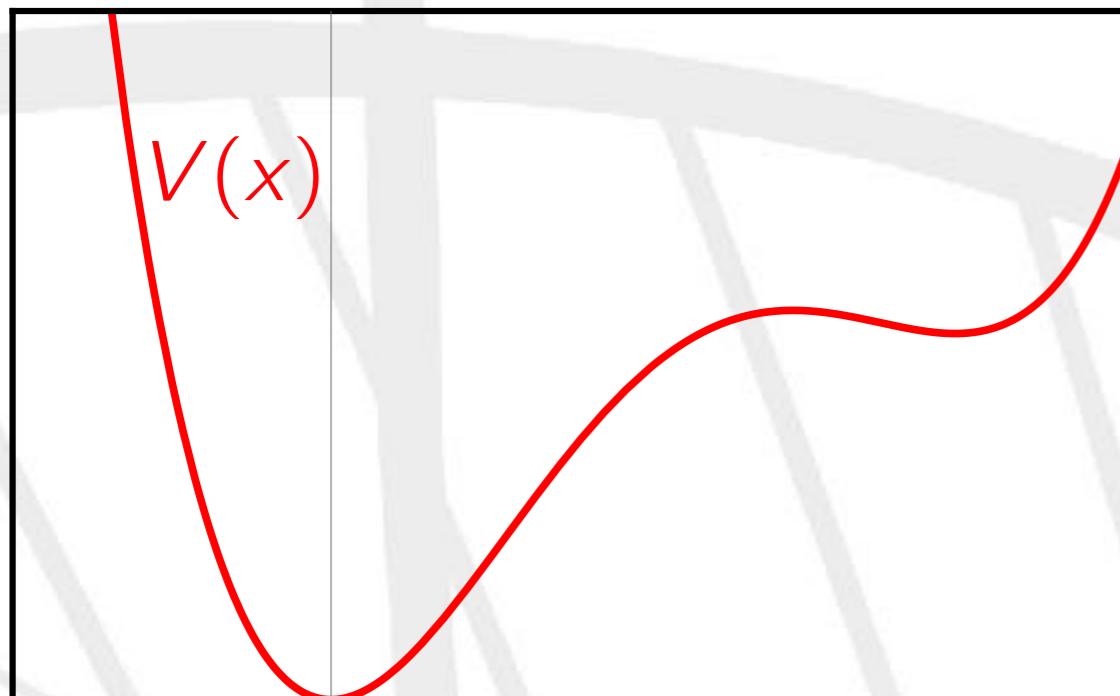
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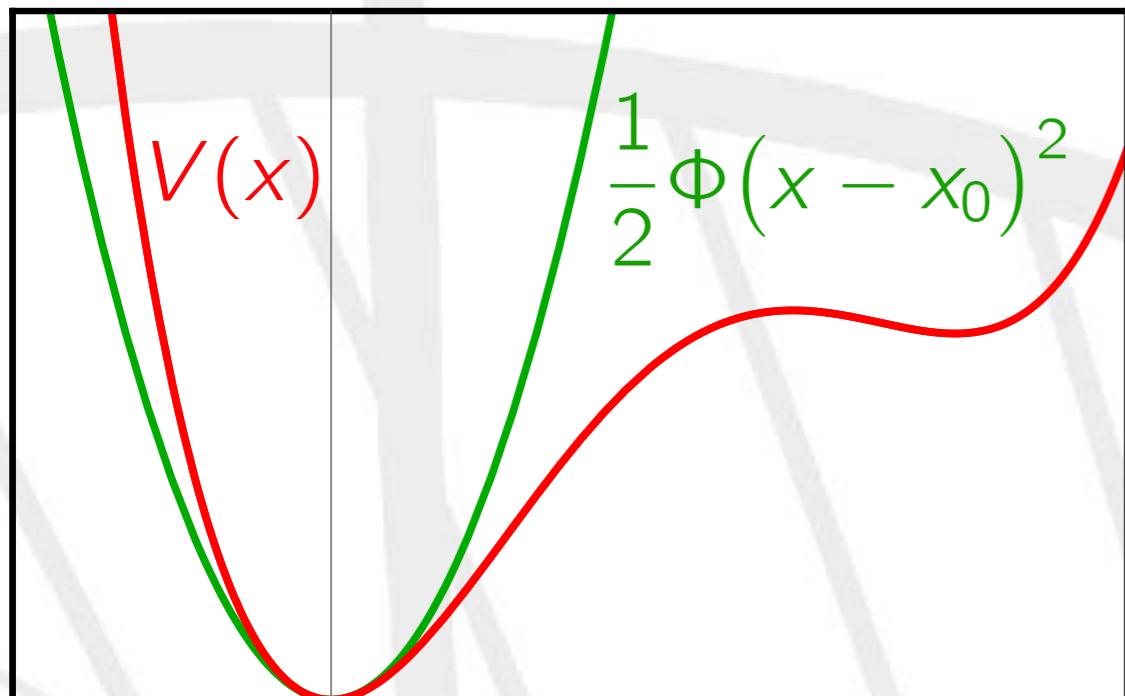
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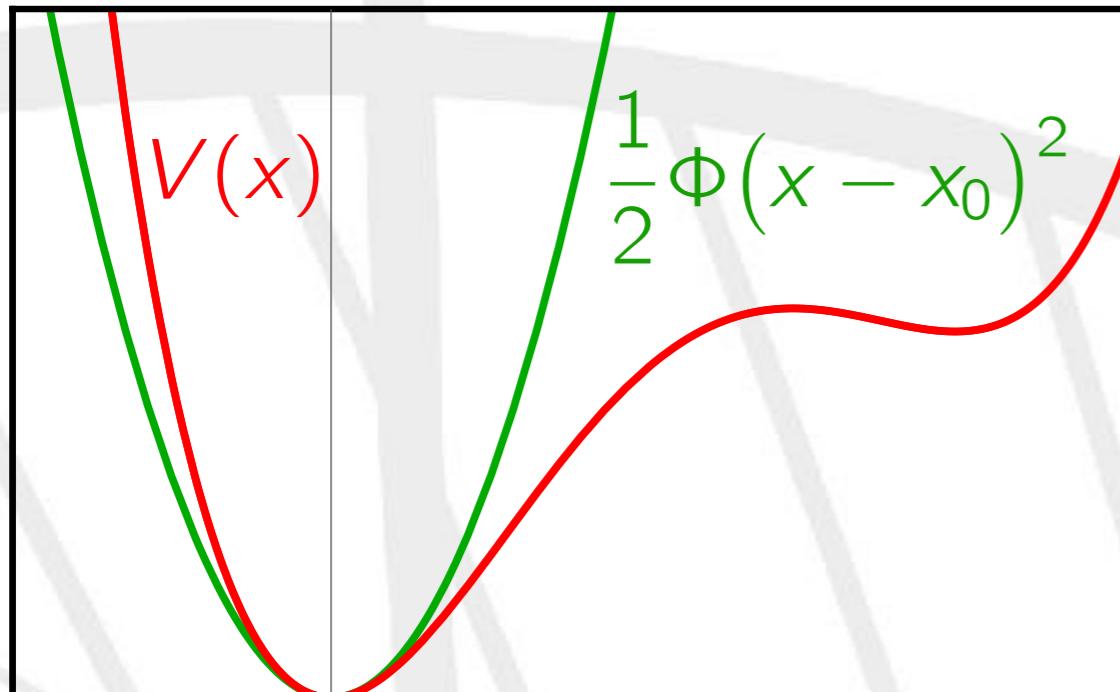
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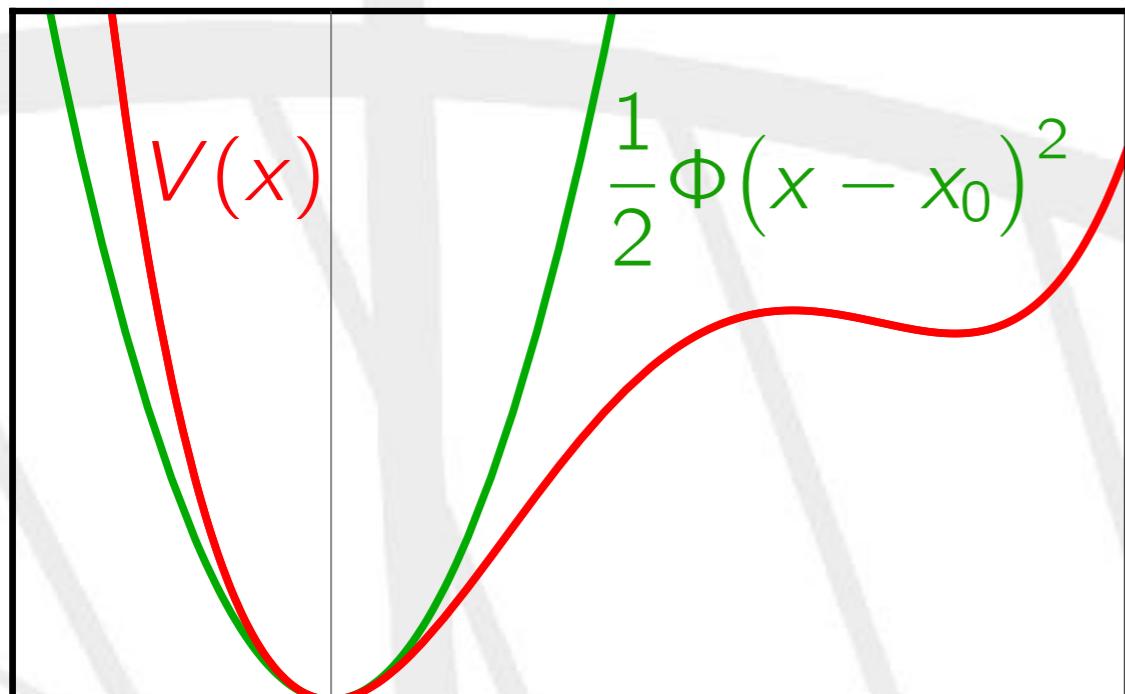


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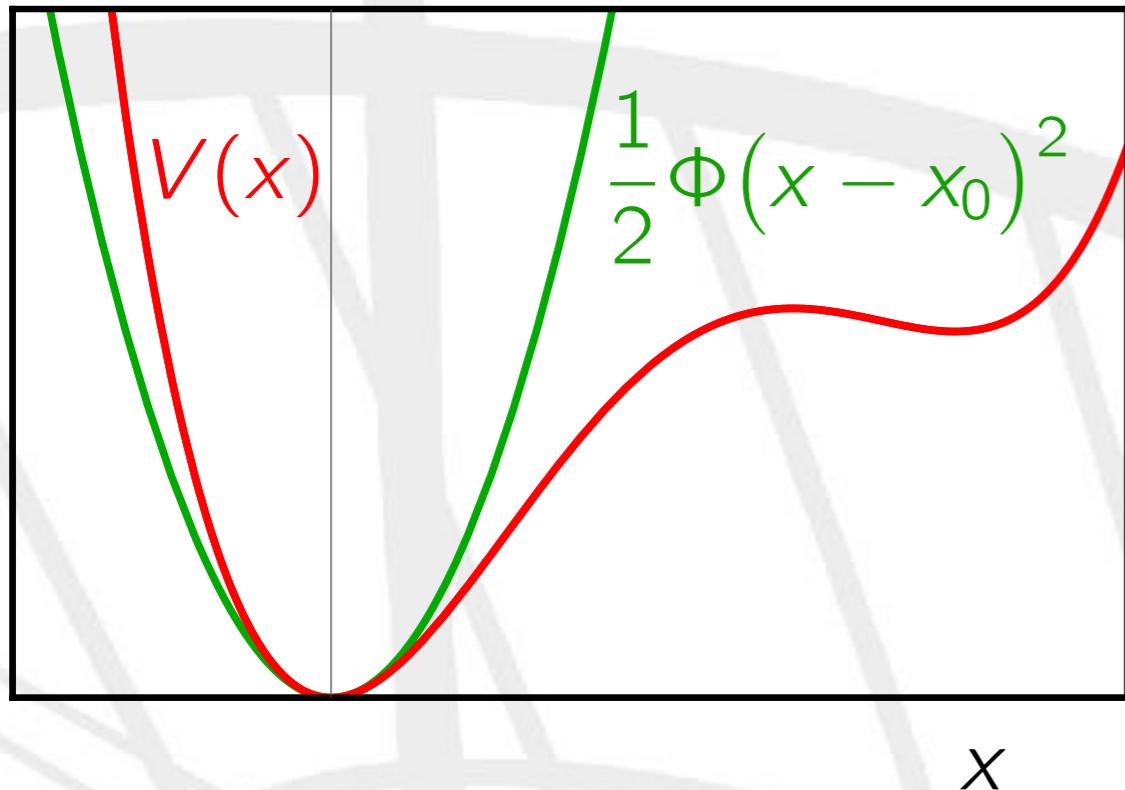
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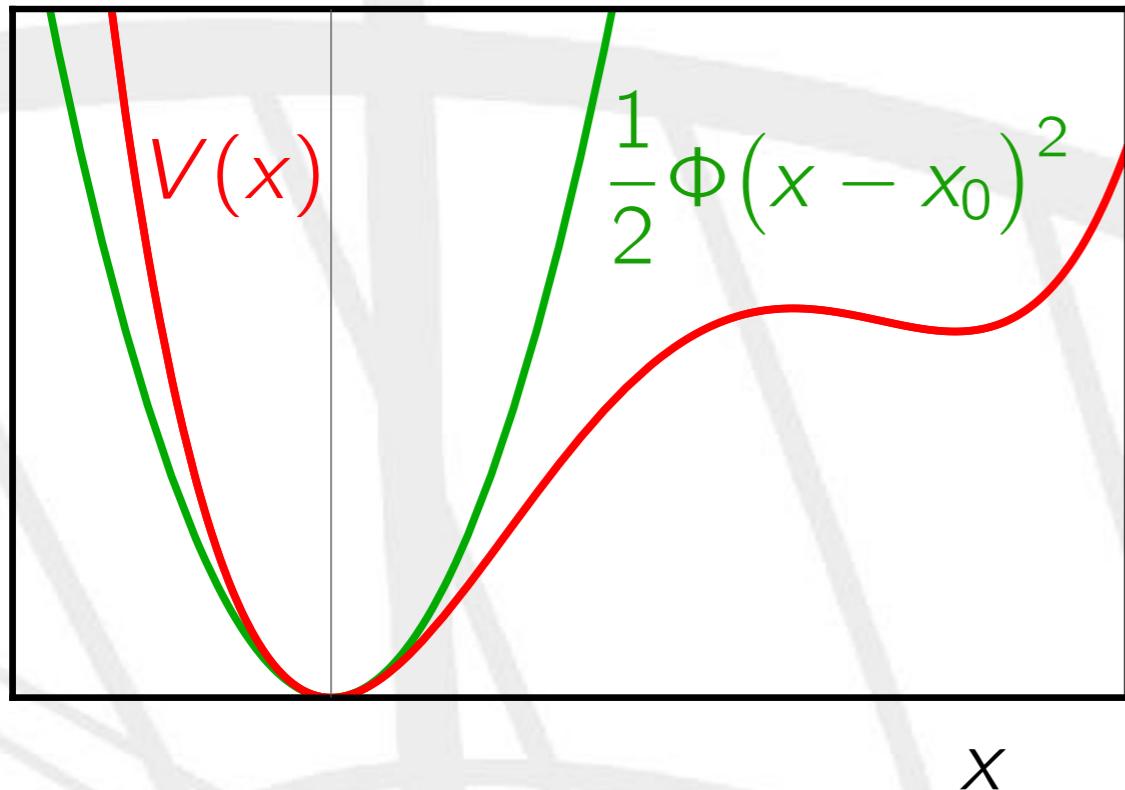
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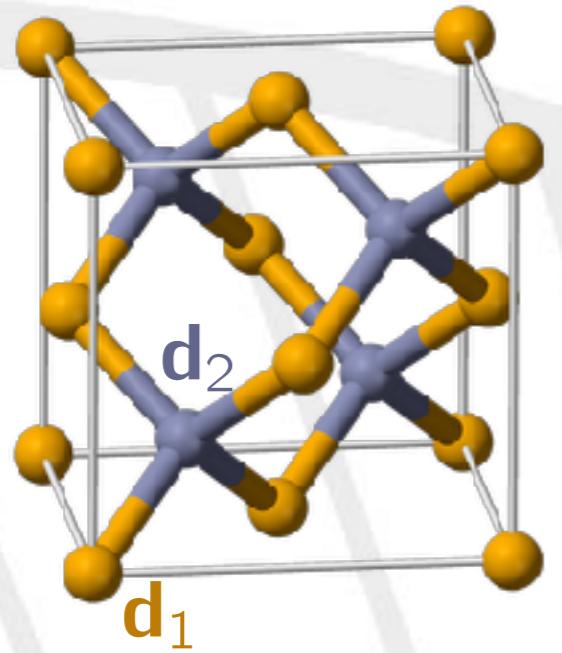
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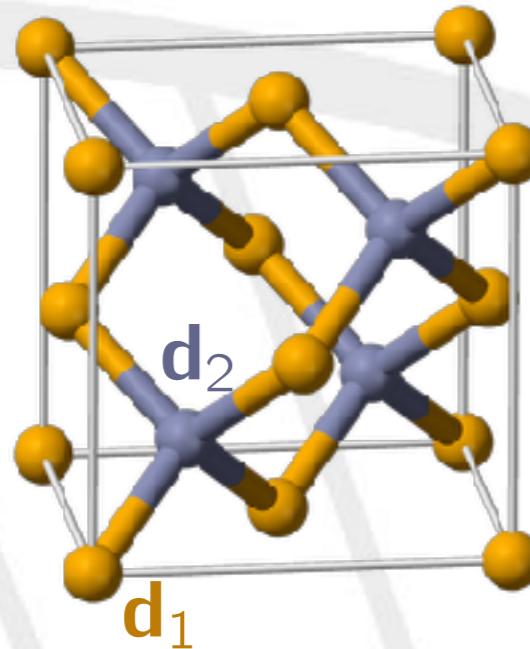
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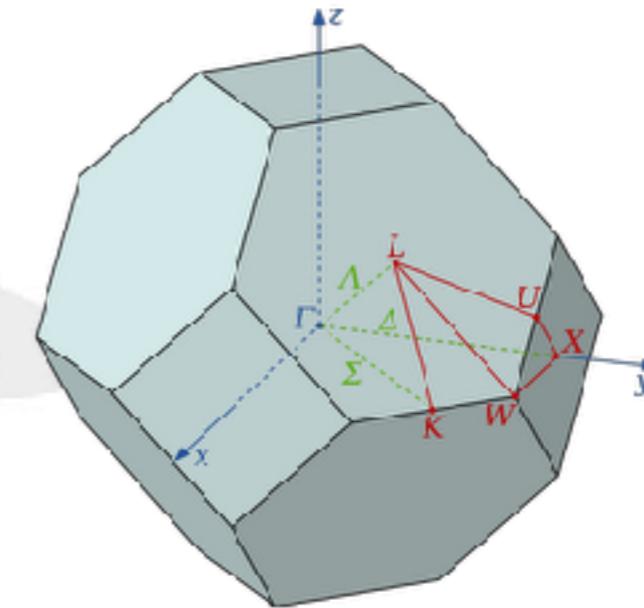
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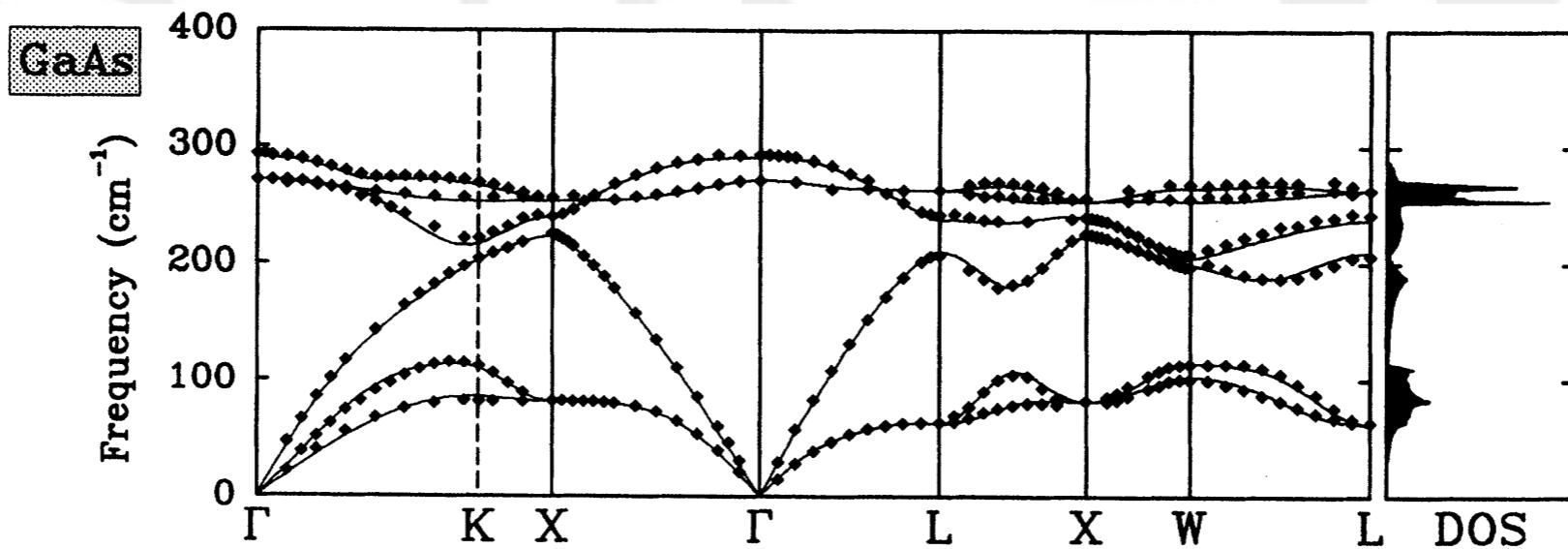


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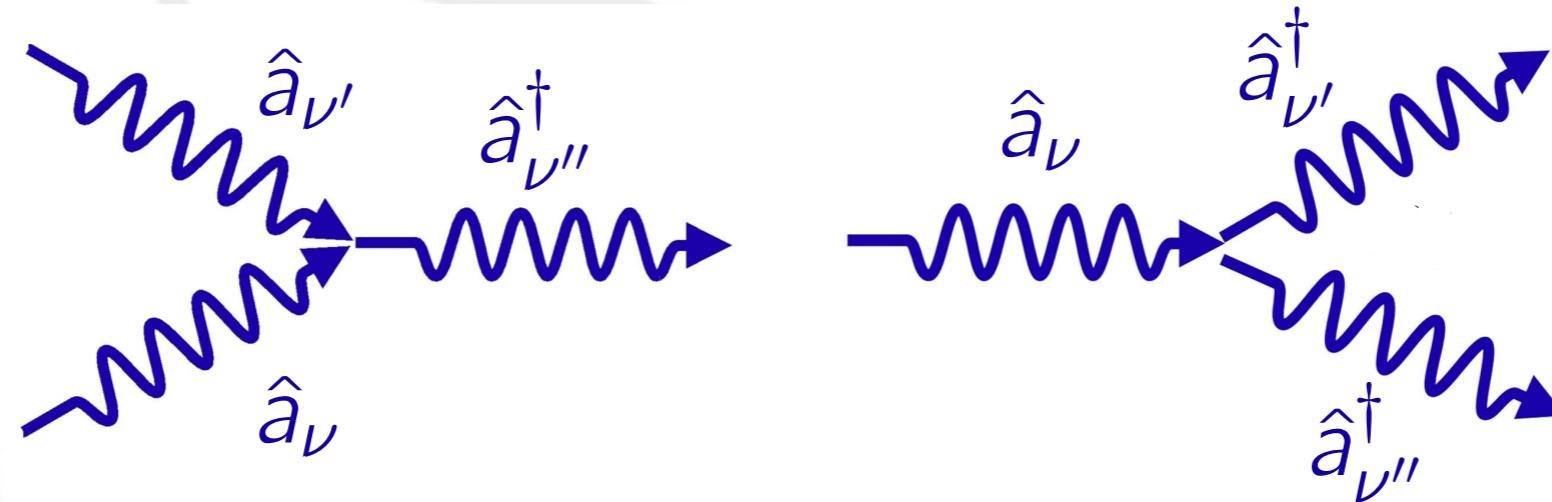
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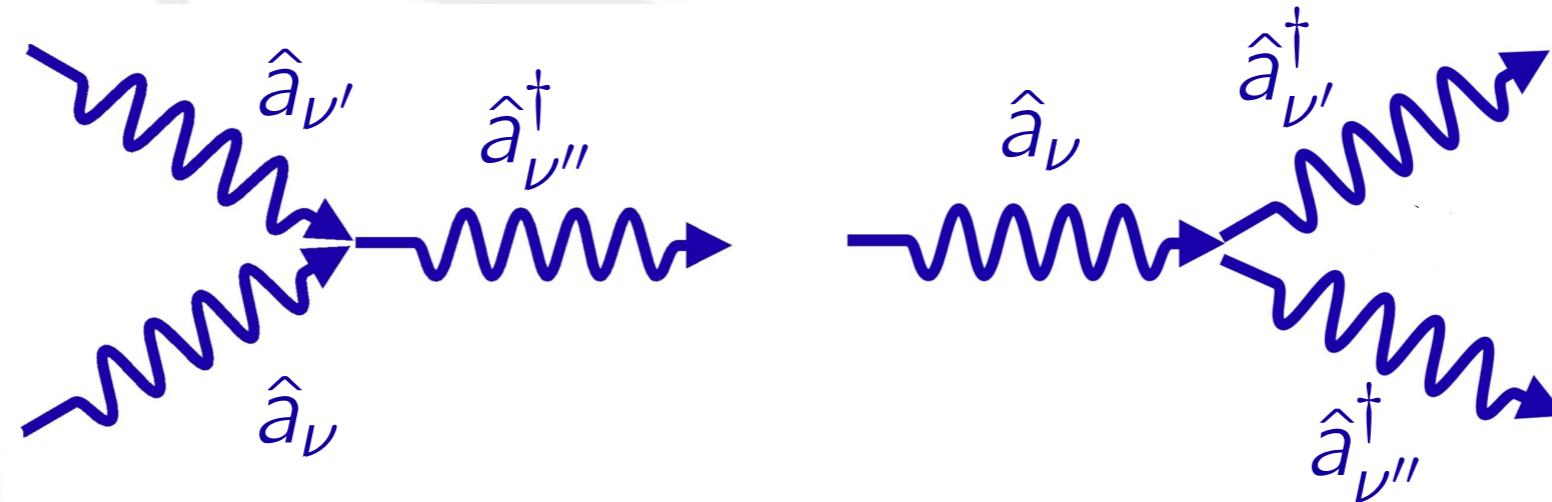
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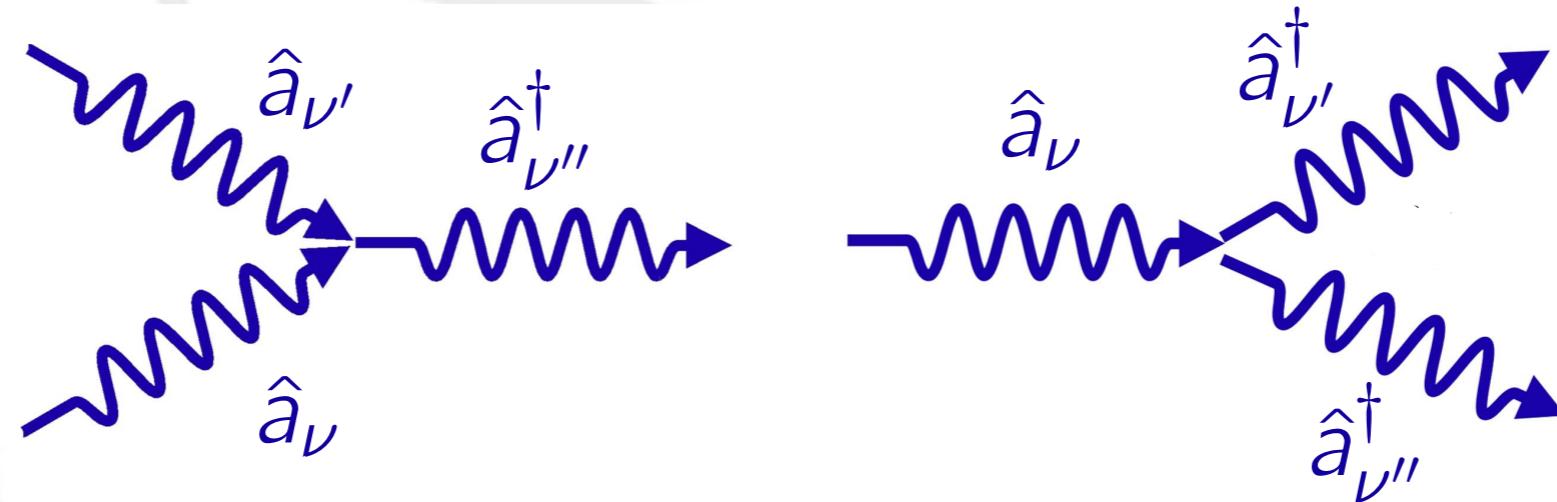
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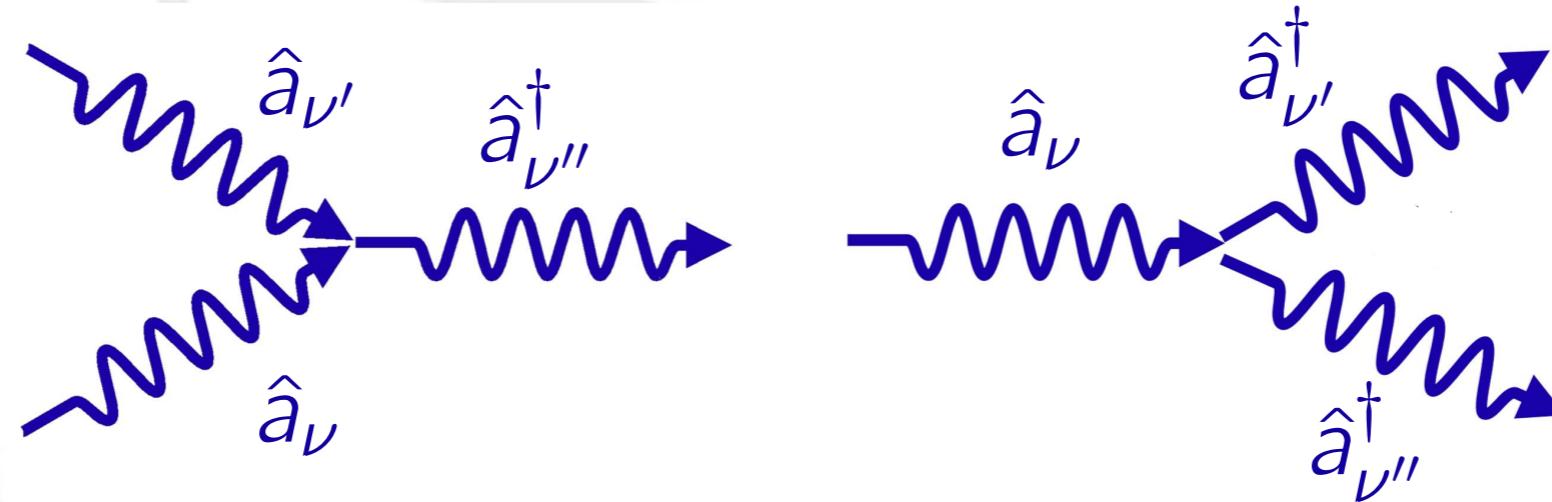


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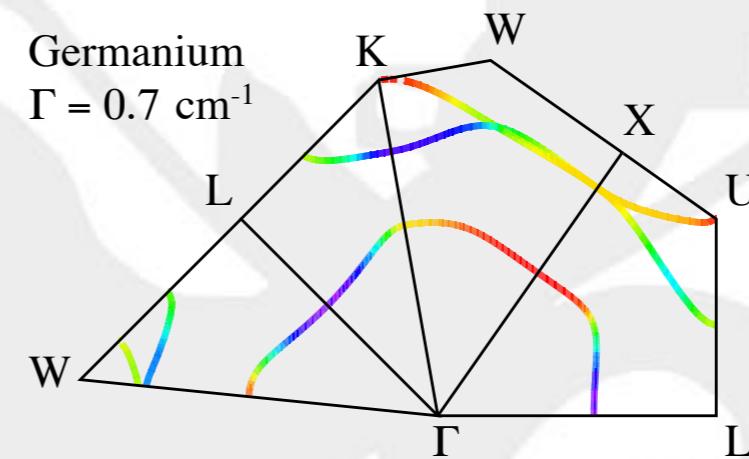
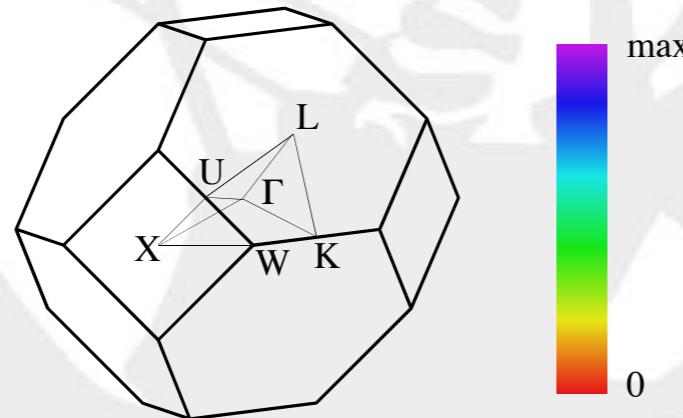
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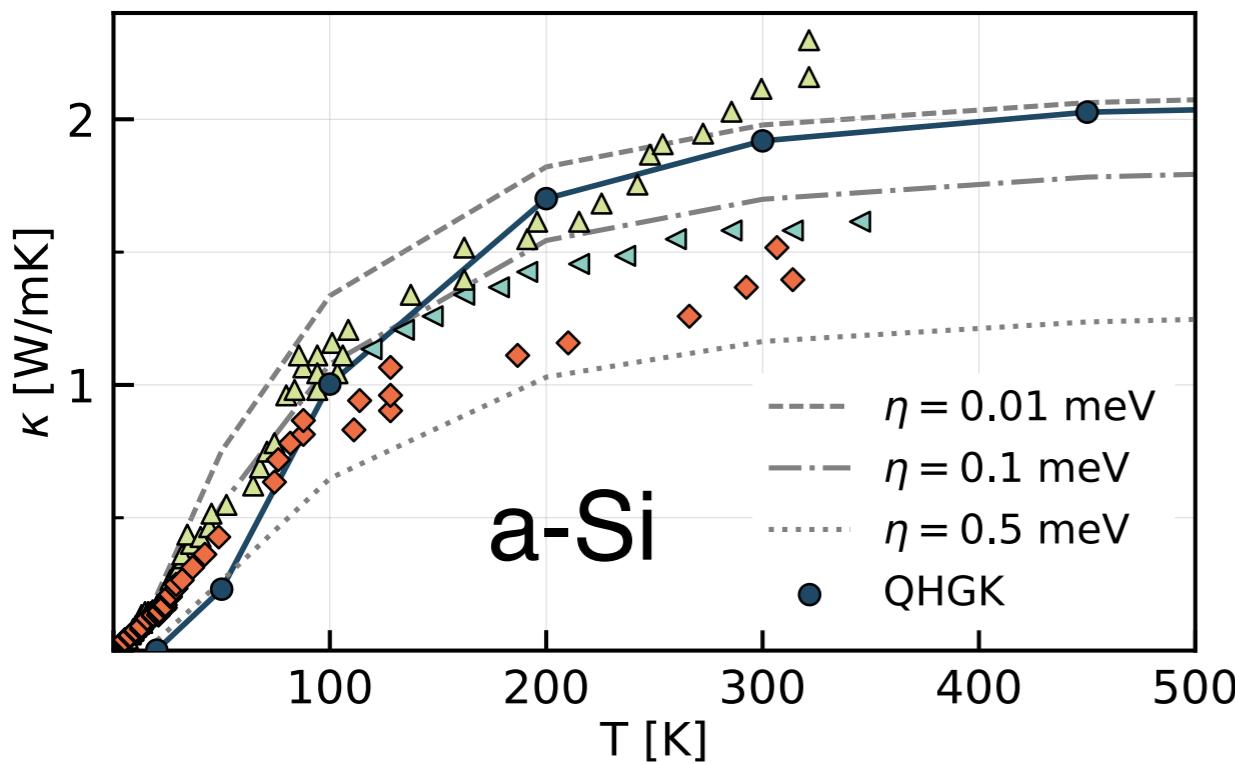
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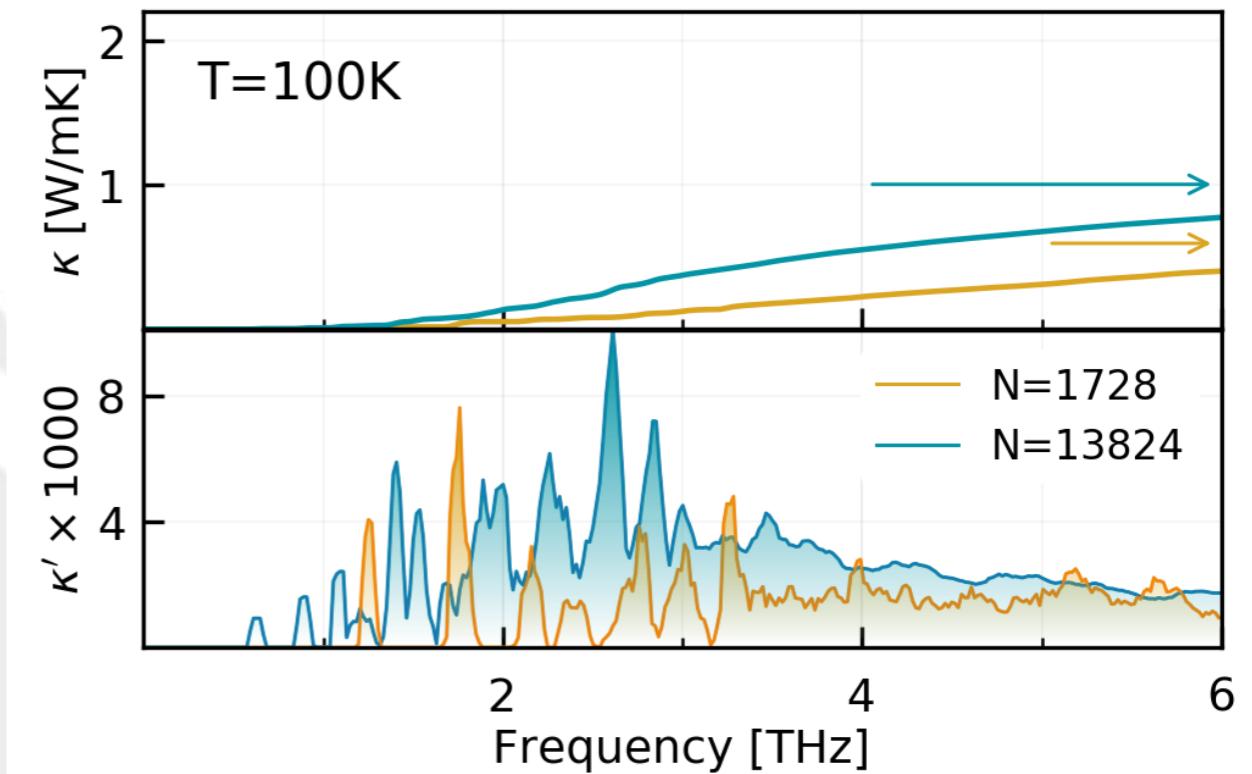
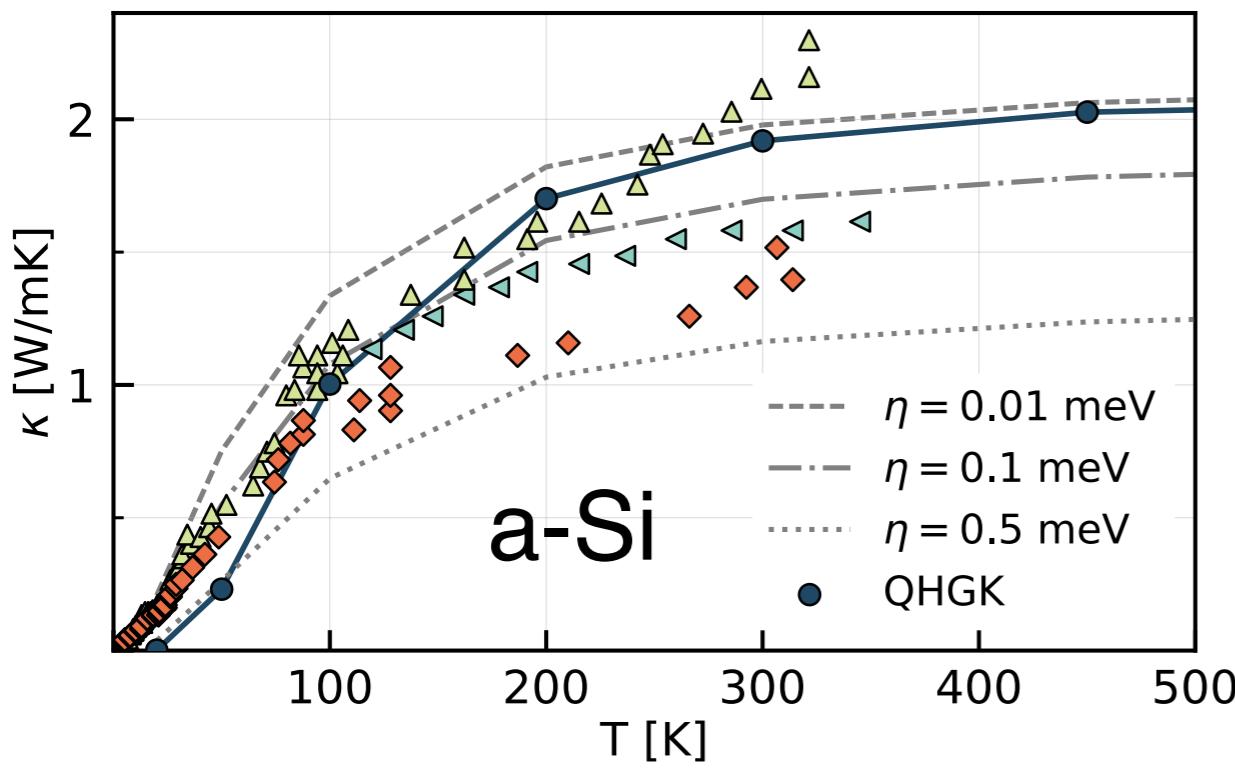
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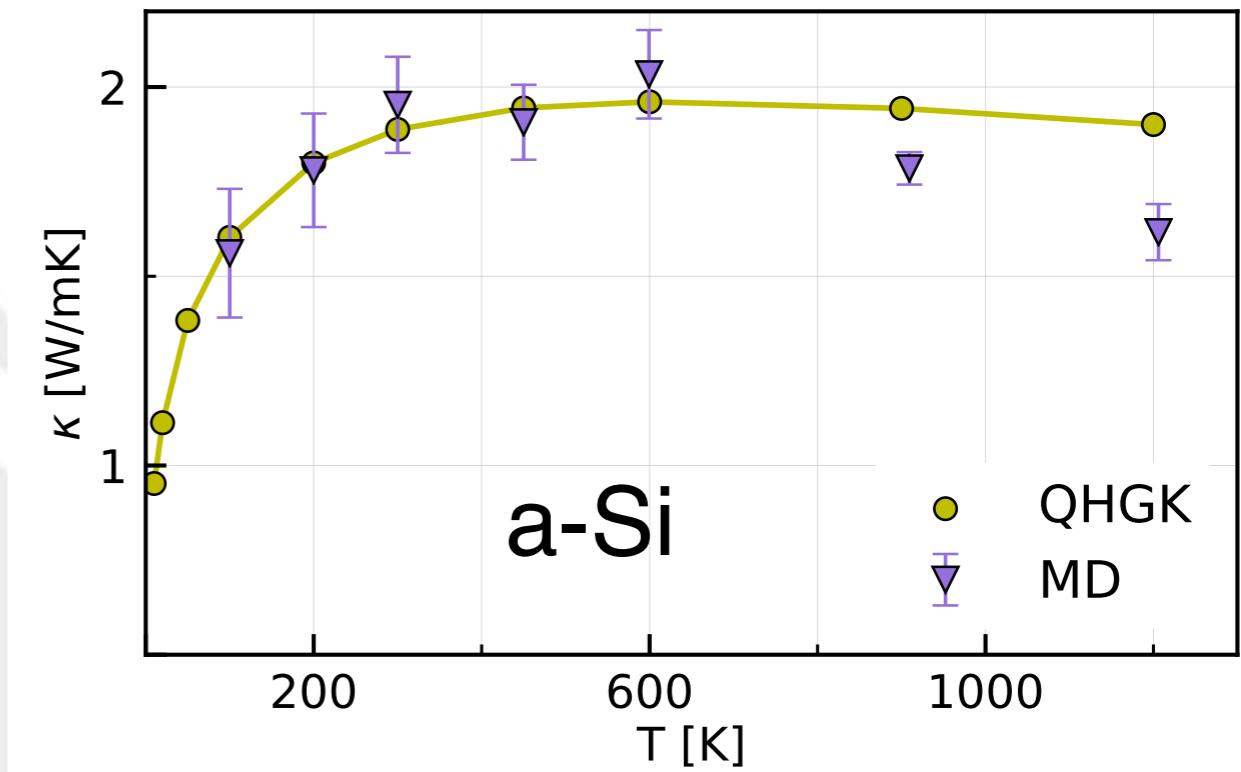
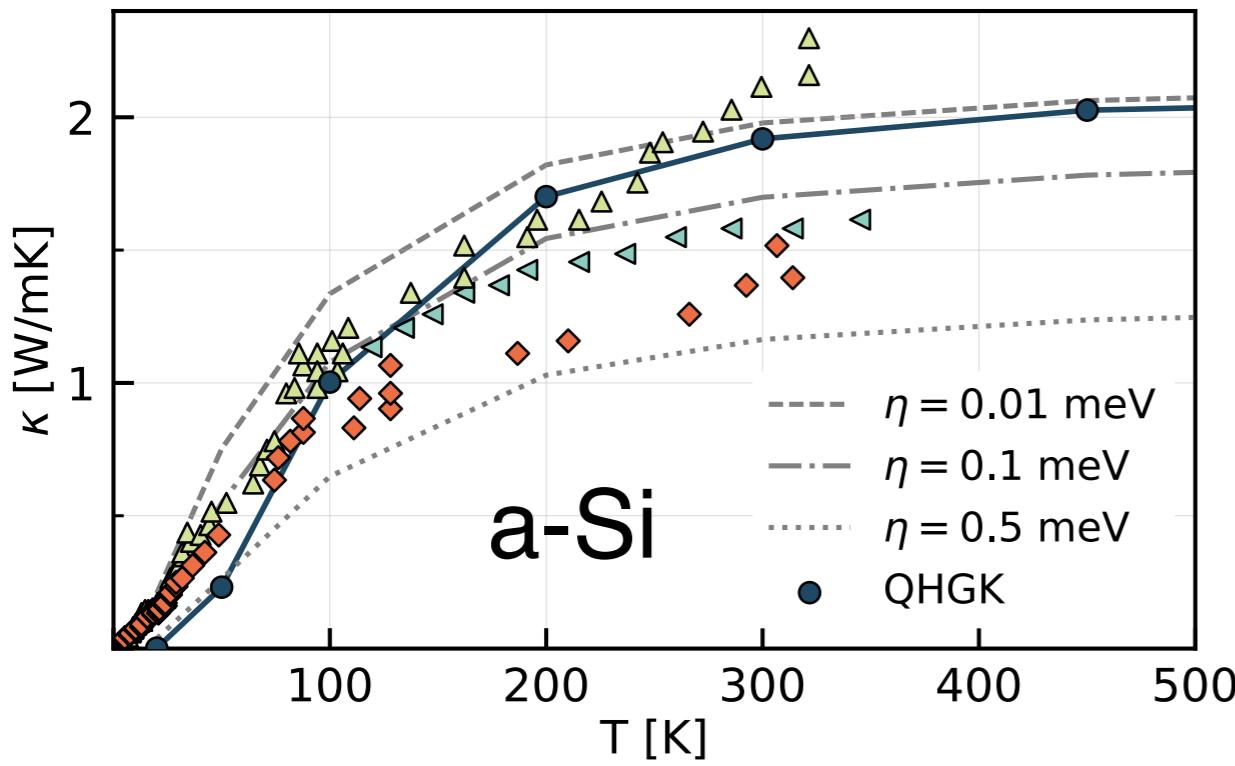
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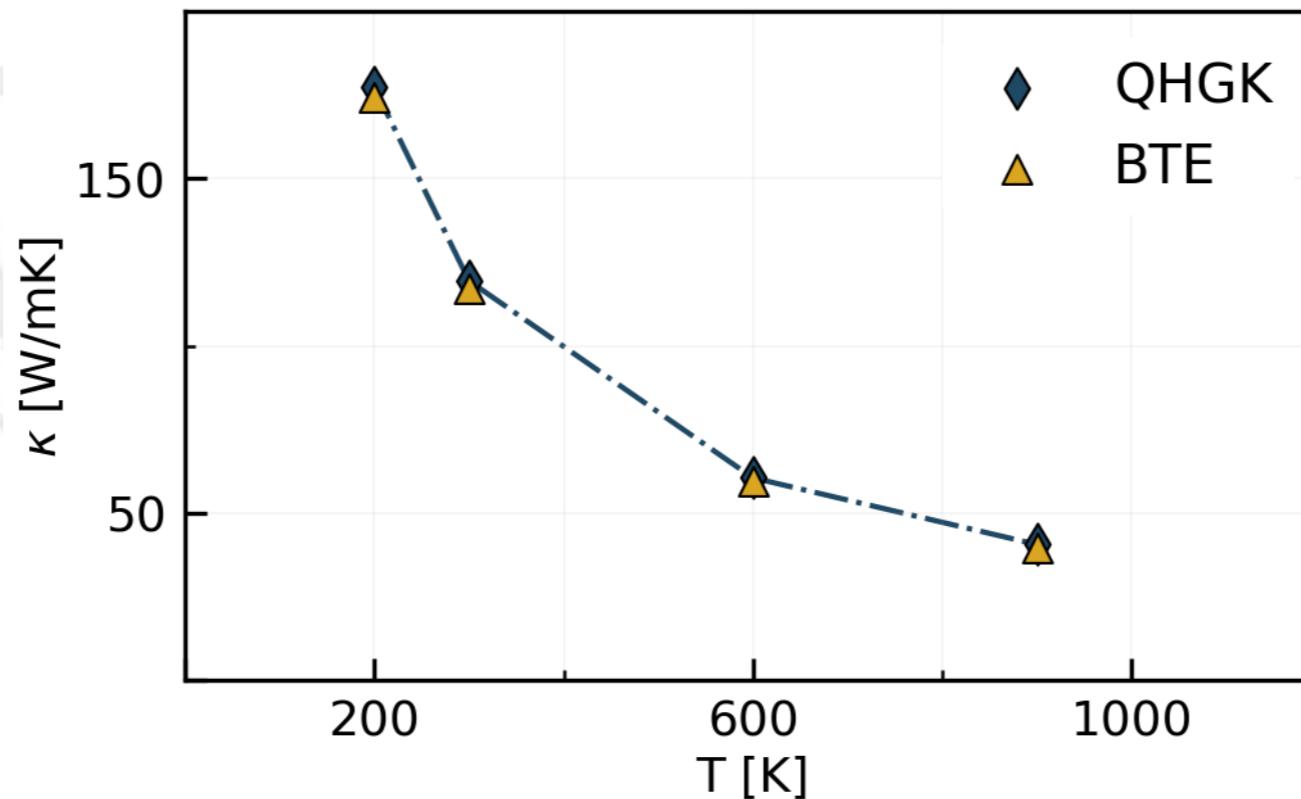
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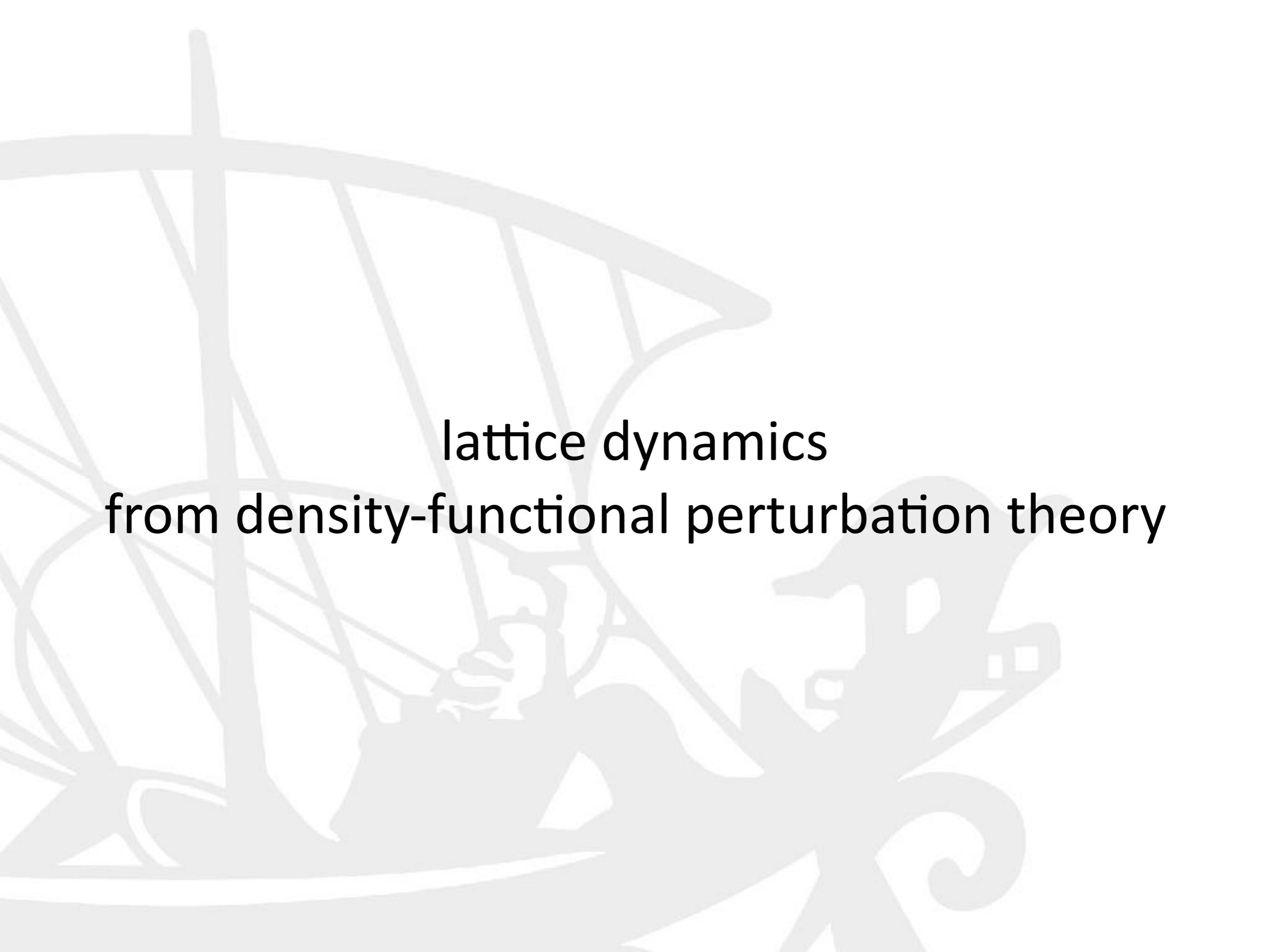
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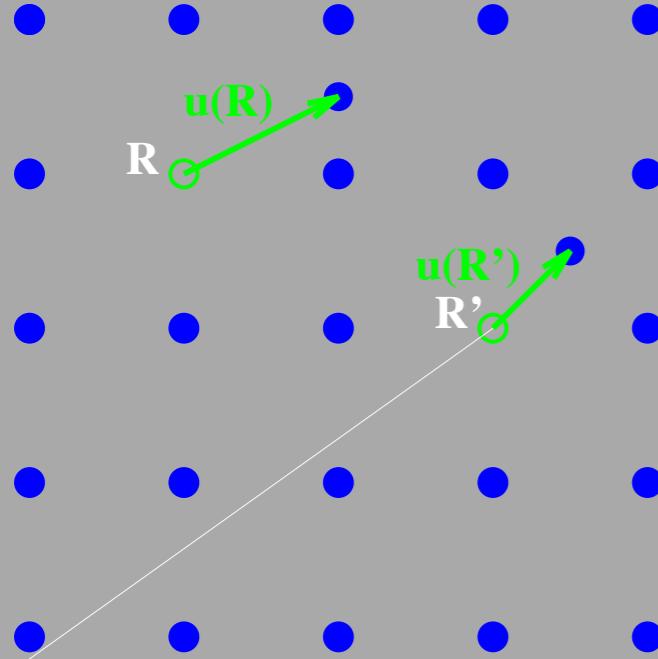
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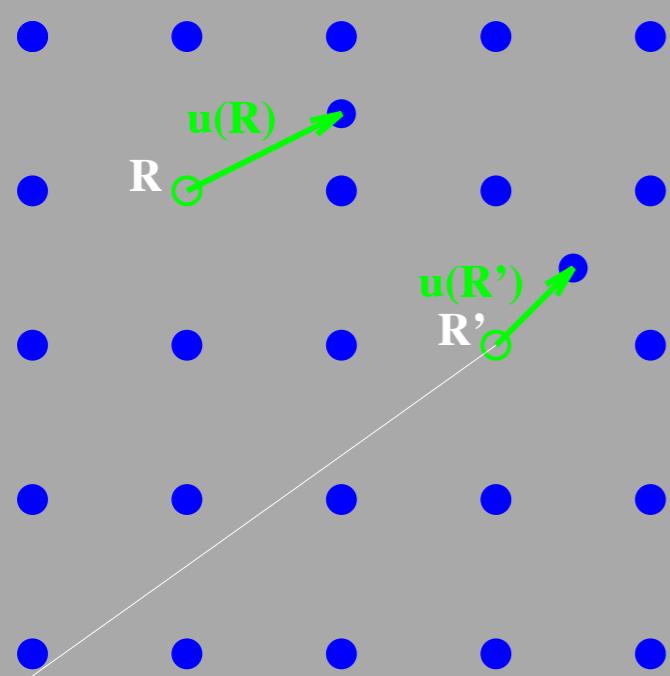
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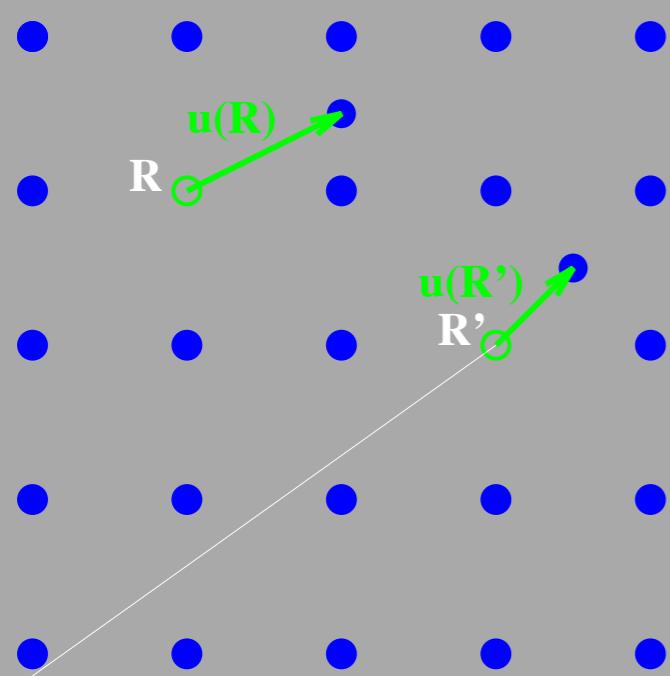


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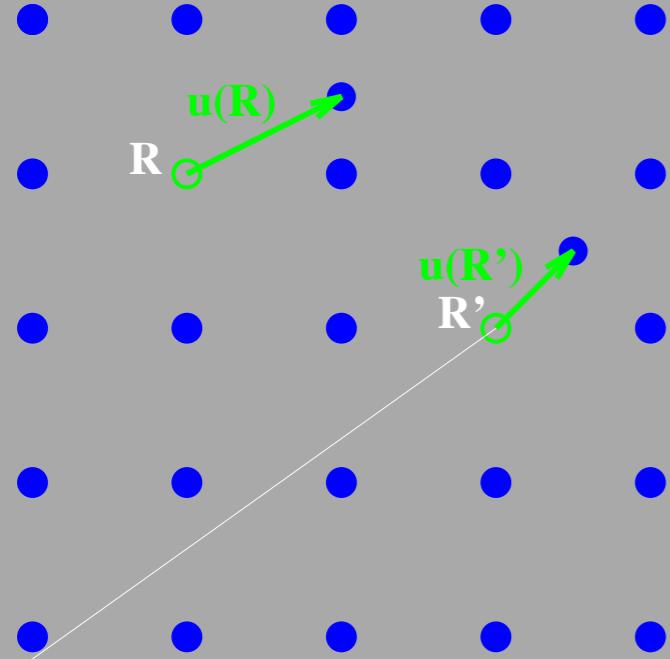


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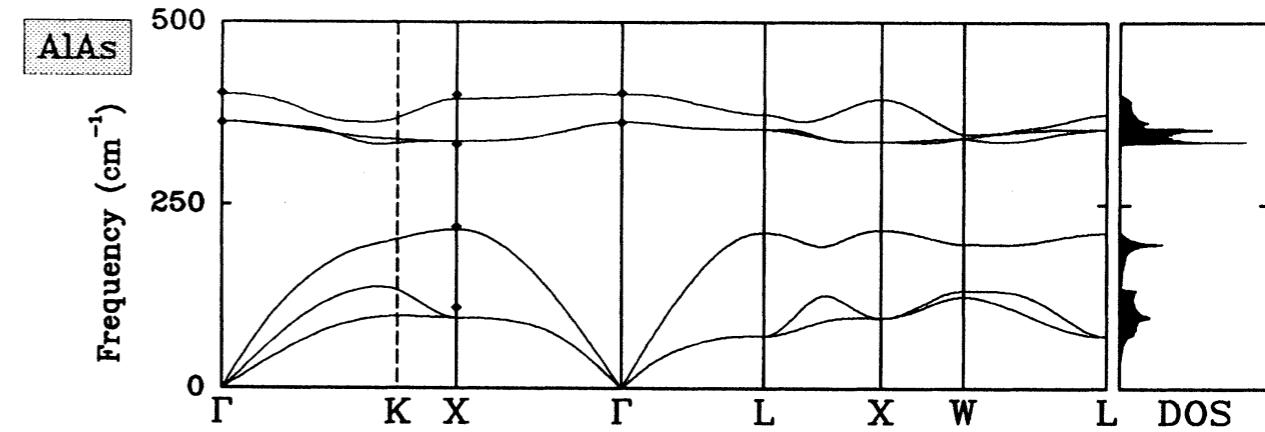
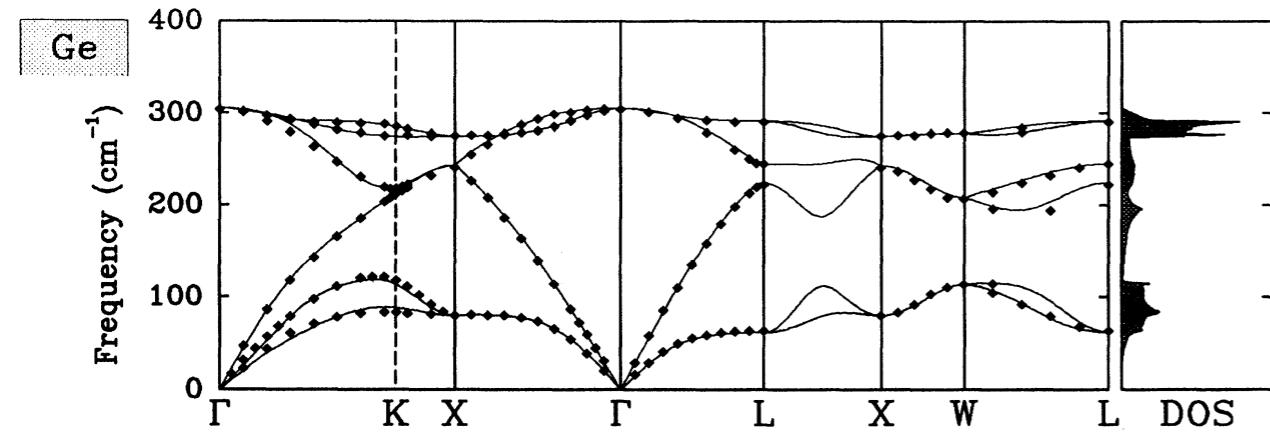
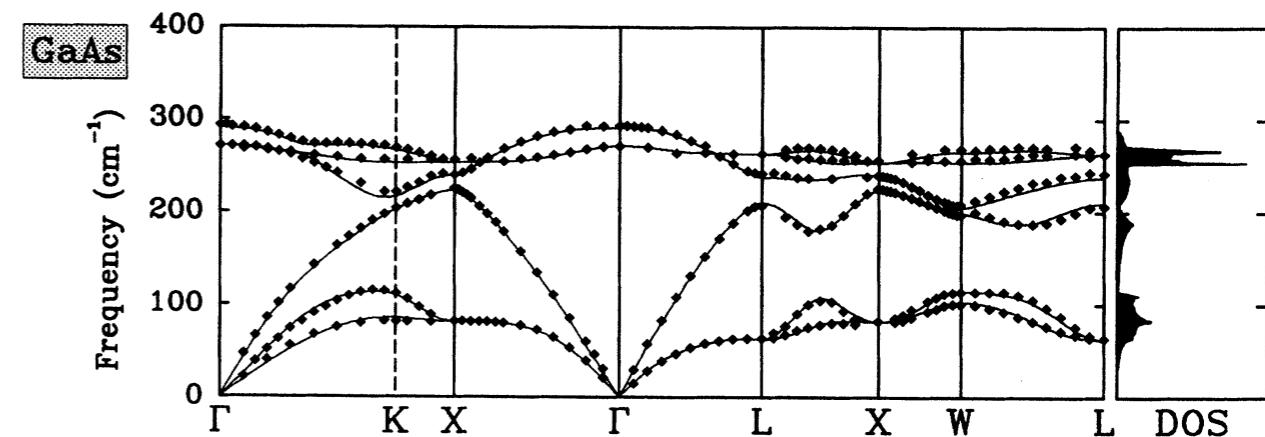
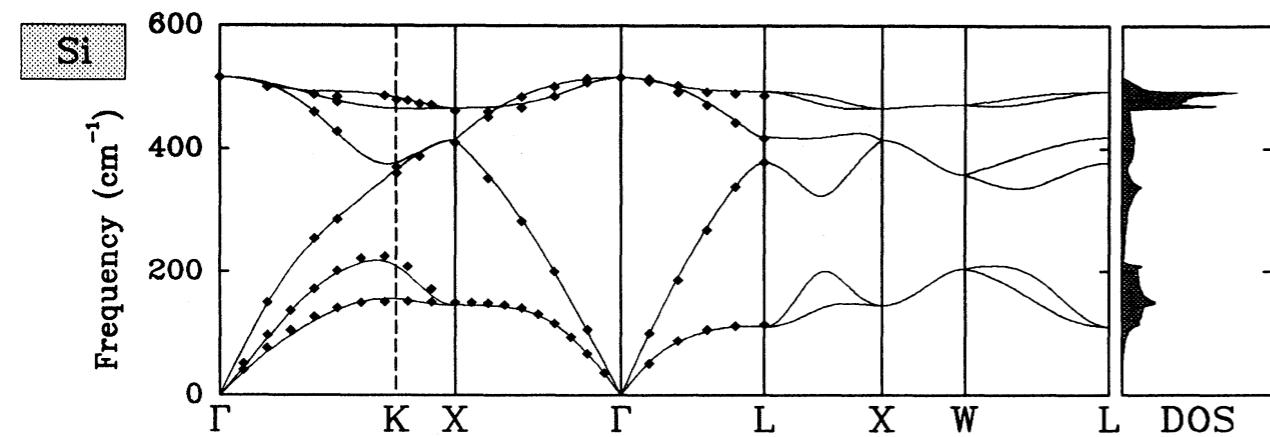
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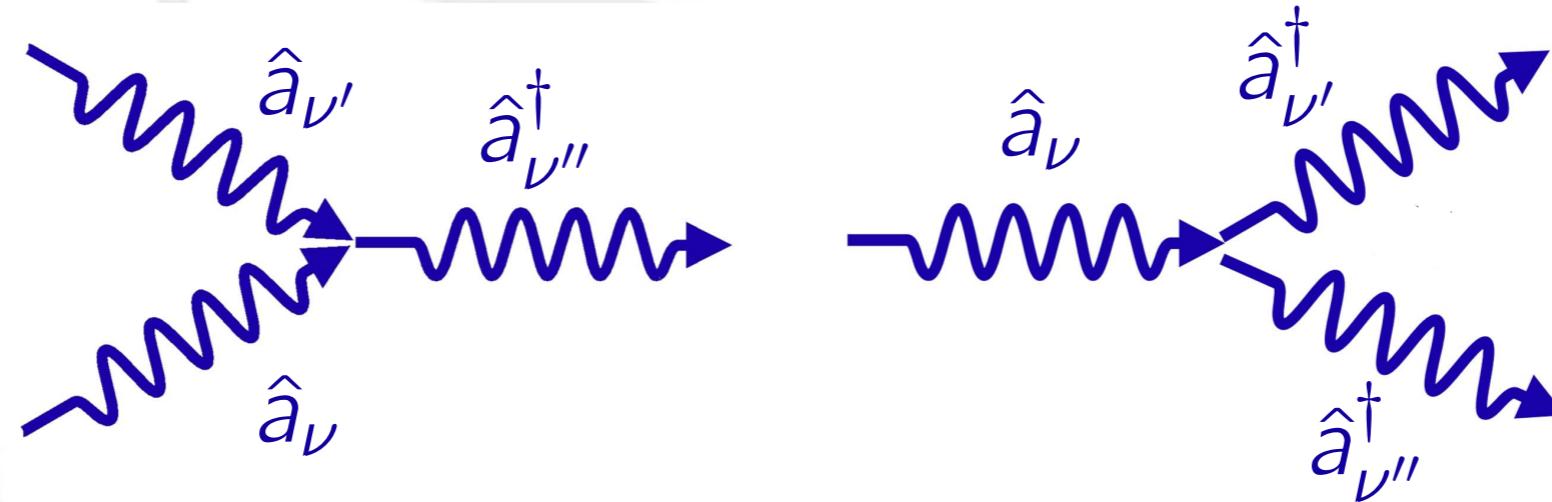
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$$E = \frac{\langle \Phi_0 + \Phi' | (H_0 + V') | \Phi_0 + \Phi' \rangle}{\langle \Phi_0 + \Phi' | \Phi_0 + \Phi' \rangle} + \mathcal{O}(V'^4)$$

$$E^{(3)} = \langle \Phi' | V' | \Phi' \rangle - \langle \Phi' | \Phi' \rangle \langle \Phi_0 | V' | \Phi_0 \rangle$$

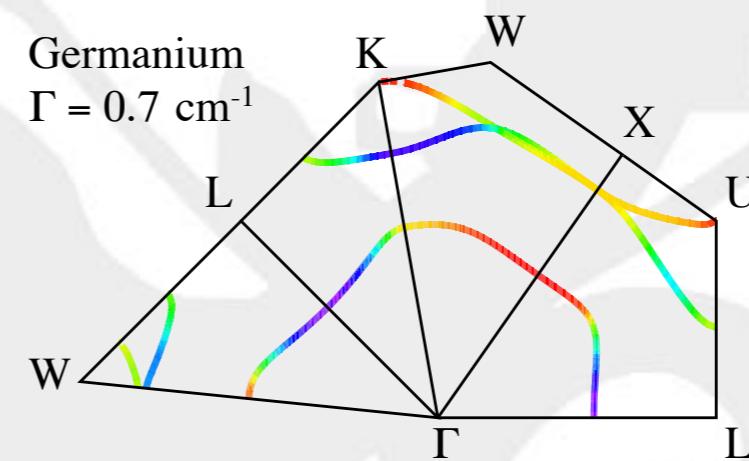
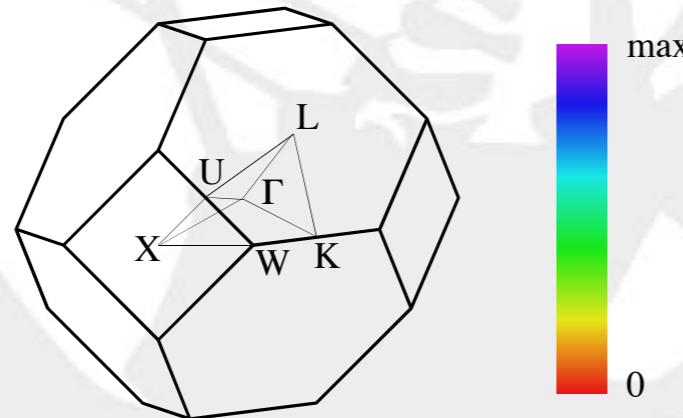
# Anharmonic lifetimes

$$u_\nu u_{\nu'} u_{\nu''} \sim (\hat{a}_\nu + \hat{a}_\nu^\dagger)(\hat{a}_{\nu'} + \hat{a}_{\nu'}^\dagger)(\hat{a}_{\nu''} + \hat{a}_{\nu''}^\dagger)$$



$$\tau_\nu^{-1} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \sum_{\nu' \nu''} (V_{\nu \nu' \nu''})^2 \times (\delta(\epsilon_\nu - \epsilon_{\nu'} - \epsilon_{\nu''}) n_\nu (n_{\nu'} + 1) (n_{\nu''} + 1) +$$

$$\delta(\epsilon_\nu + \epsilon_{\nu'} - \epsilon_{\nu''}) n_\nu n_{\nu'} (n_{\nu''} + 1))$$



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