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Connection with Reflectivity and Experiment

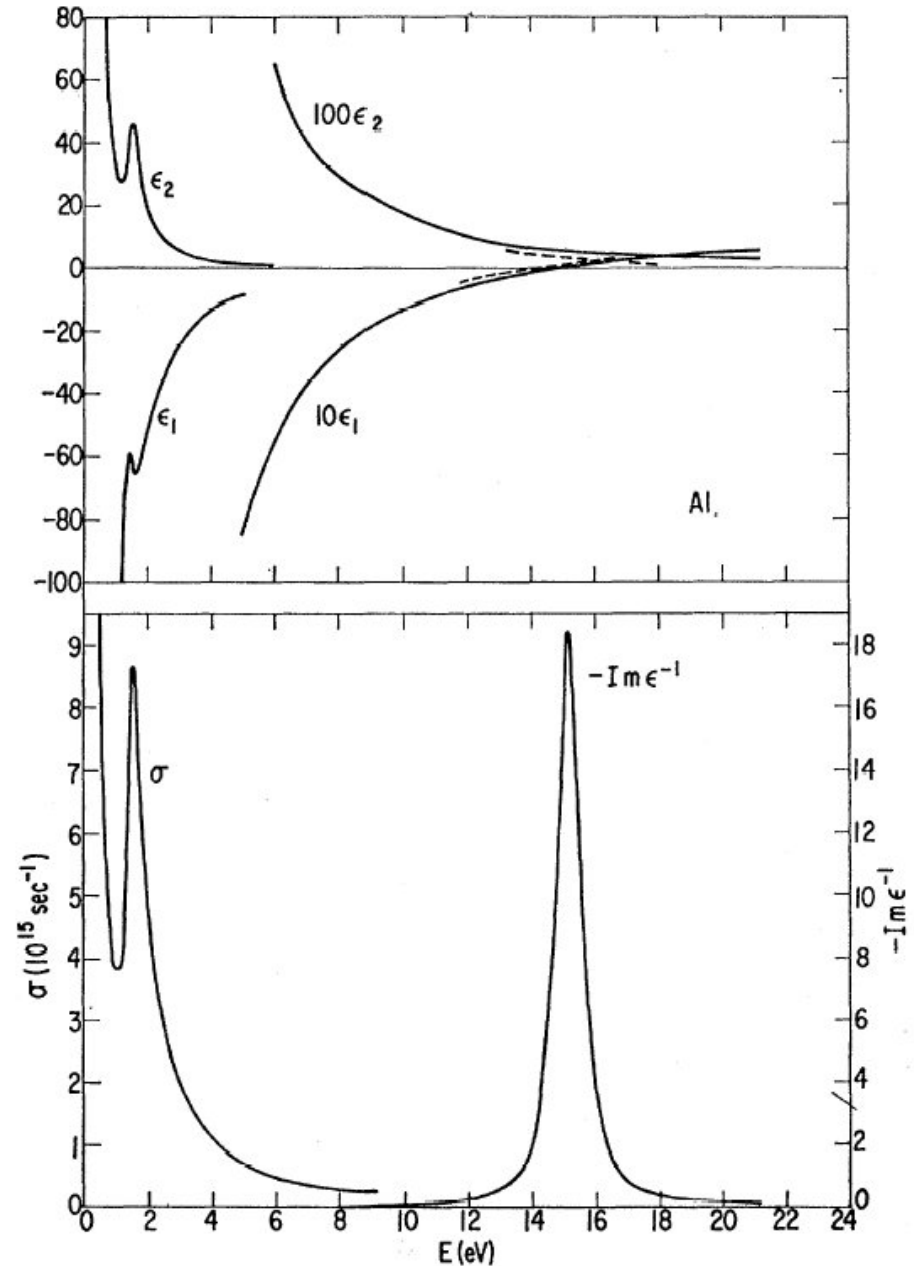
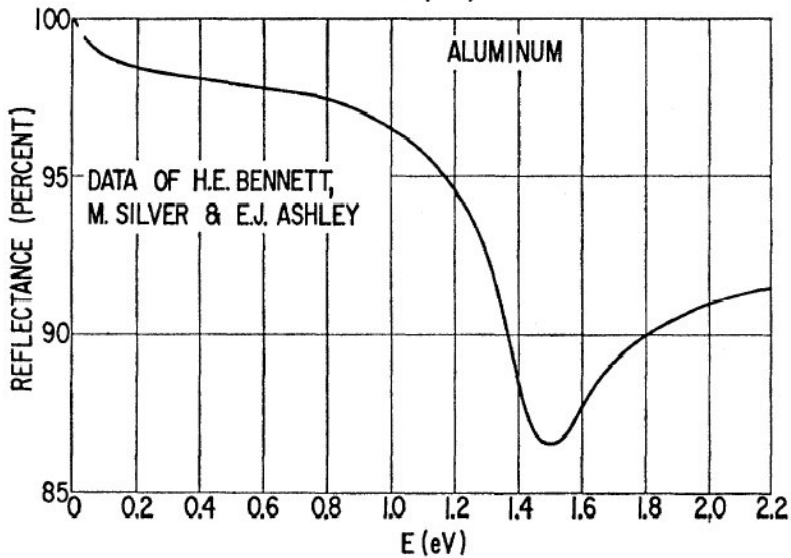
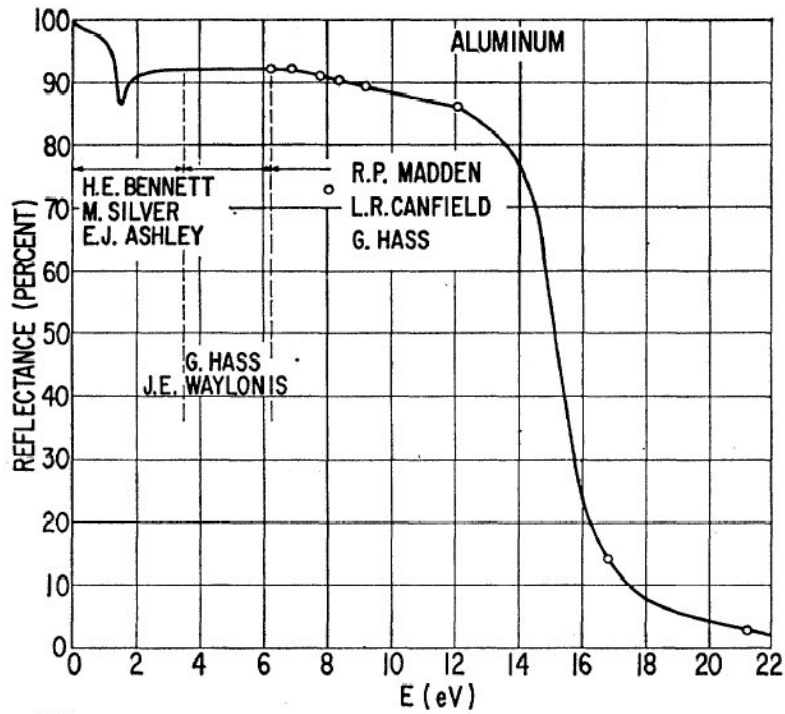
Dielectric function $\epsilon(\omega) = 1 + \frac{4\pi i}{\omega} \sigma(\omega)$ and $\kappa(\omega) \equiv \sqrt{\epsilon(\omega)}$ also analytic

Reflectivity (for normal incidence): $r(\omega) = \left| \frac{1 - \kappa(\omega)}{1 + \kappa(\omega)} \right|^2$

Determine $\sigma(\omega)$ from

- specular reflectivity $r(\omega)$ in large frequency range (use Kramers-Kronig)
- reflectivity at varying angles
- transmission experiments (absorption and phase)

Example: good metal Al [H. Ehrenreich, H. R. Philipp, and B. Segall, Phys. Rev. **132**, 1918 (1963)]



The f -sum rules

bounded absorption spectrum:

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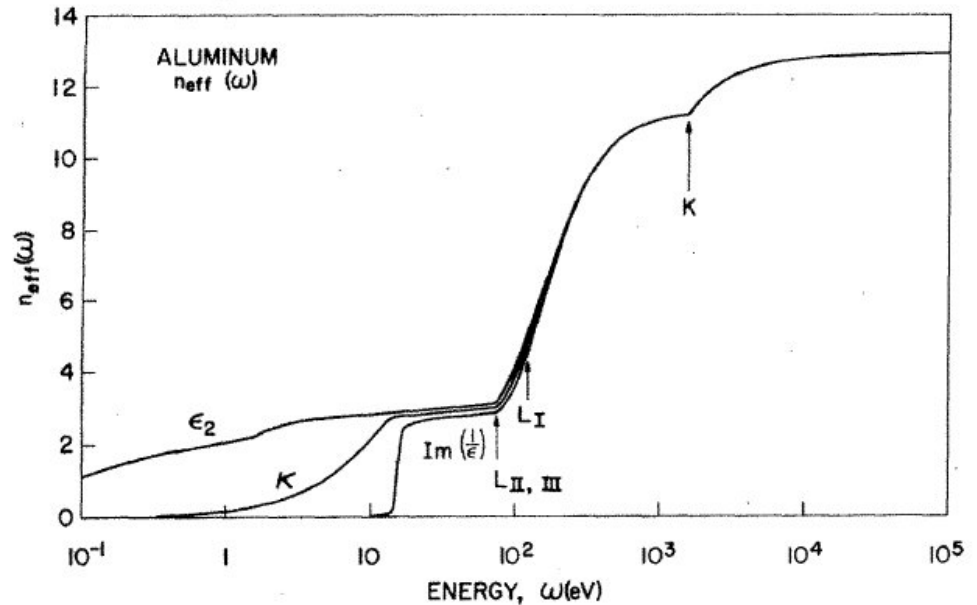
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Full **universal** f -sum rule: $\omega_p^2 = \frac{4\pi n e^2}{m}$

frequency cutoff $\omega_c \rightarrow$ partial sum rules

$$\omega_{p, \text{valence}}^2 = \frac{4\pi n_v e^2}{m^*} \equiv \frac{4\pi e^2}{m} n_{\text{eff}}(\omega_c)$$

non-universal!



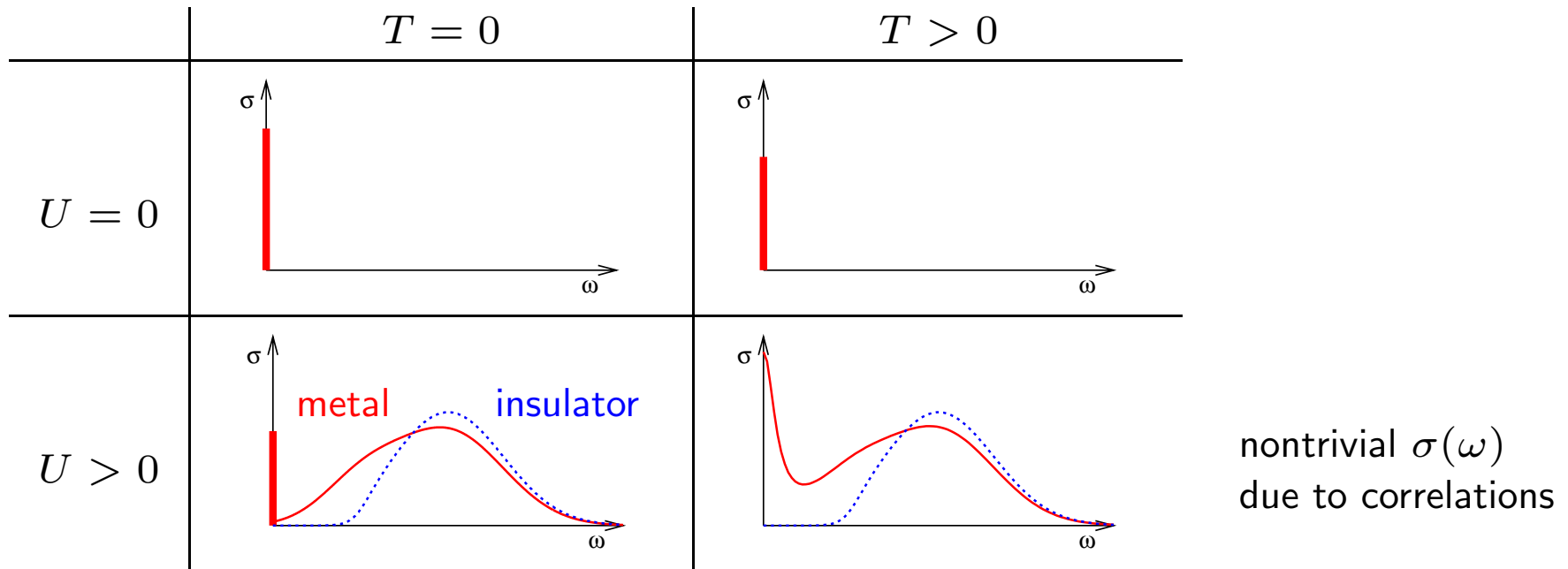
[D. Y. Smith and E. Shiles, Phys. Rev. B **17**, 4689 (1978)]

Lattice Model

Unperturbed lattice Hamiltonian (here single-band Hubbard model):

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_{\text{int}} = \sum_{\sigma} \sum_{i,j} t_{ij} (\hat{c}_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j\sigma} + \hat{c}_{j\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{i\sigma}) + U \sum_i \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}$$

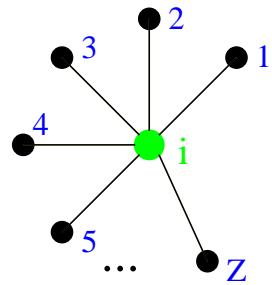
For regular Bravais lattice and translation invariant hopping: $\hat{H}_0 = \sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} \hat{n}_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}$



Non-universal optical f -sum rule, depends on U and T !

For nearest-neighbor hopping on hypercubic lattice:
$$\int_0^{\infty} d\omega \sigma(\omega) = -\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{e^2 a^2}{V \hbar^2} \frac{1}{d} \langle \hat{H}_0 \rangle$$

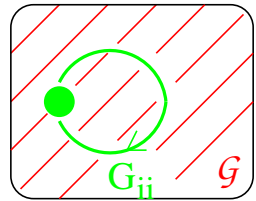
Dynamical Mean Field Theory (DMFT)



scaling of hopping matrix elements $t \propto 1/\sqrt{Z}$

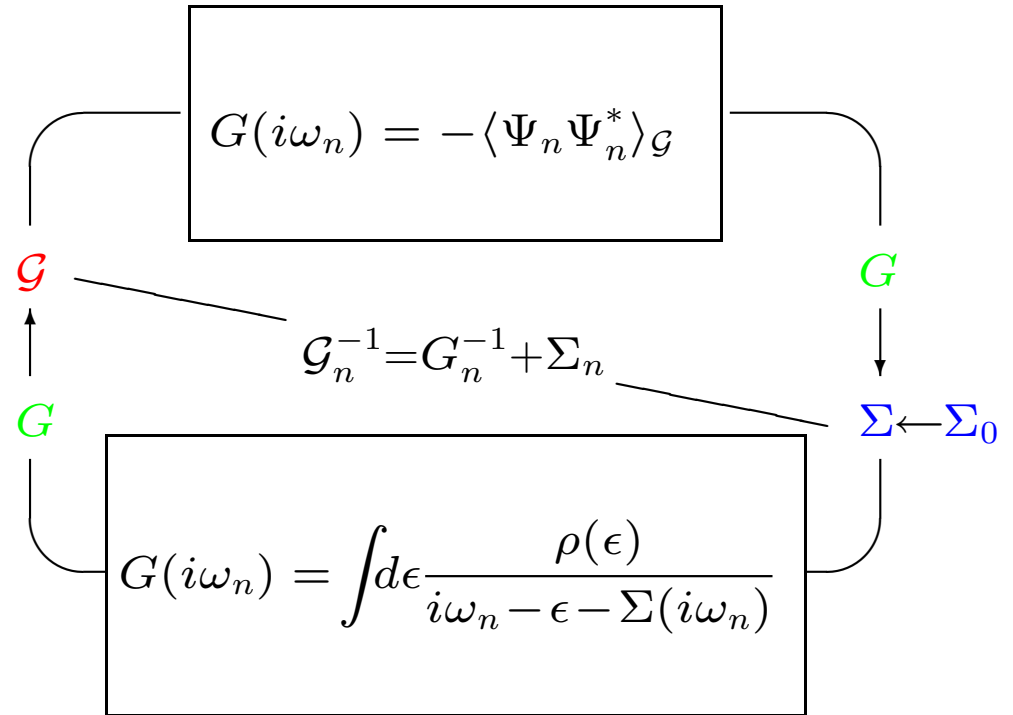
mapping of lattice problem onto impurity model + self consistency condition

DMFT



local self energy $\Sigma(\omega)$

exact for $Z \rightarrow \infty$



[W. Metzner and D. Vollhardt, Phys. Rev. Lett. **62**, 324 (1989)]

[A. Georges et. al, Rev. Mod. Phys. **68**, 13 (1996)]

Lattice enters only via noninteracting density of states (DOS)

nonperturbative approach, suitable for studies at intermediate / strong coupling:

- ferromagnetism, metamagnetism, orbital ordering
- metal insulator transitions (MIT)
- improvement on band-structure DFT calculations: LDA+DMFT

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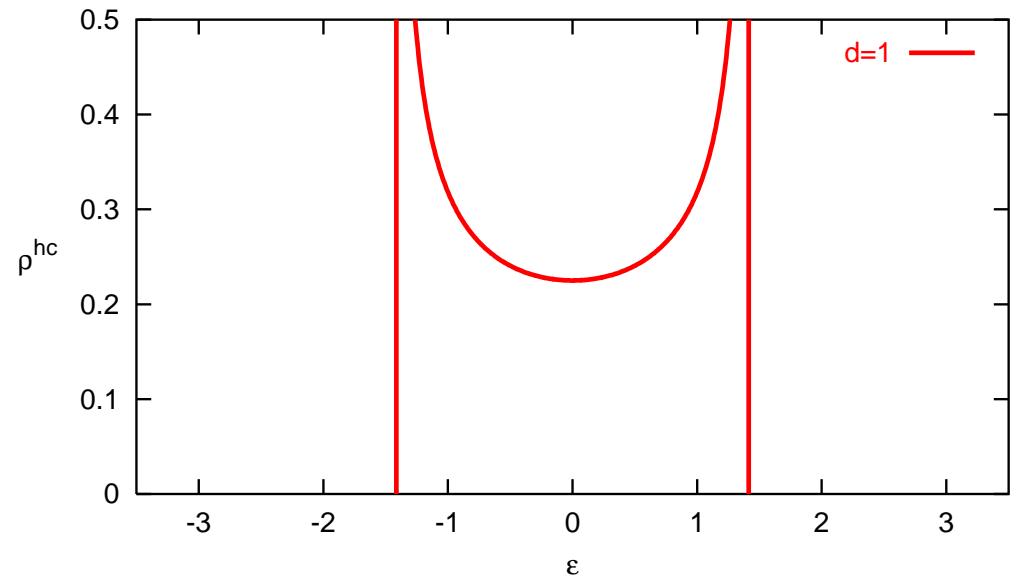
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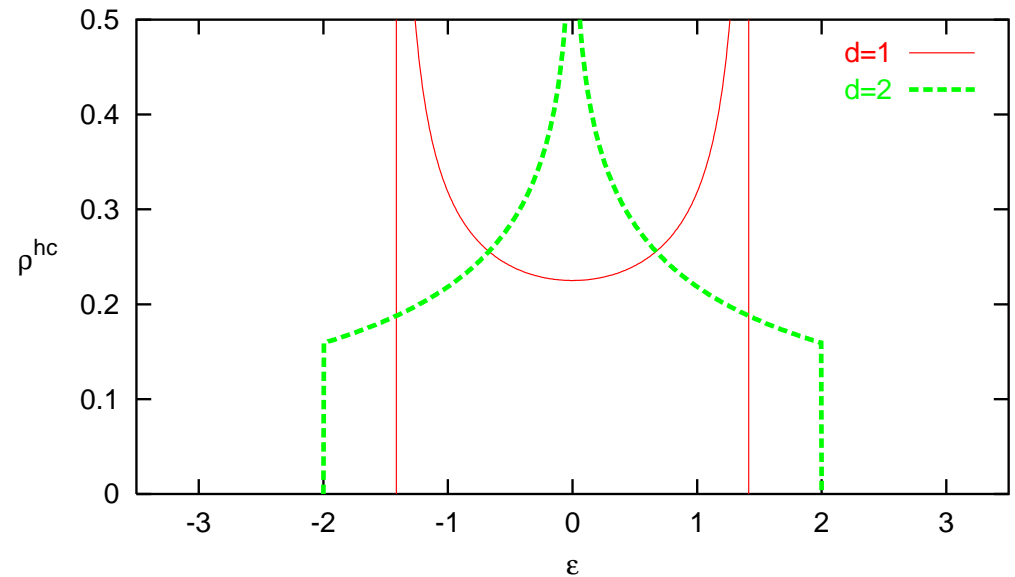
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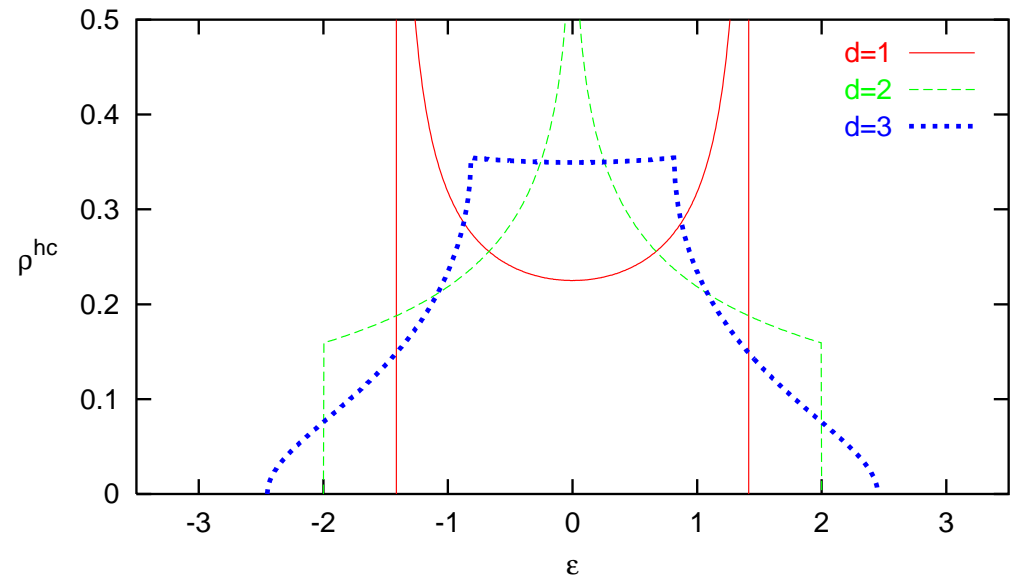
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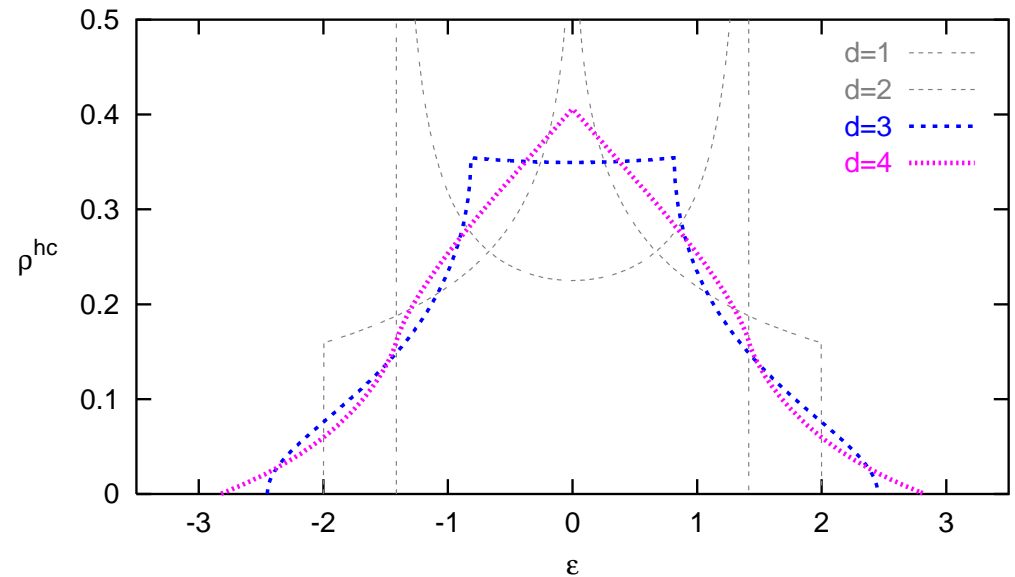
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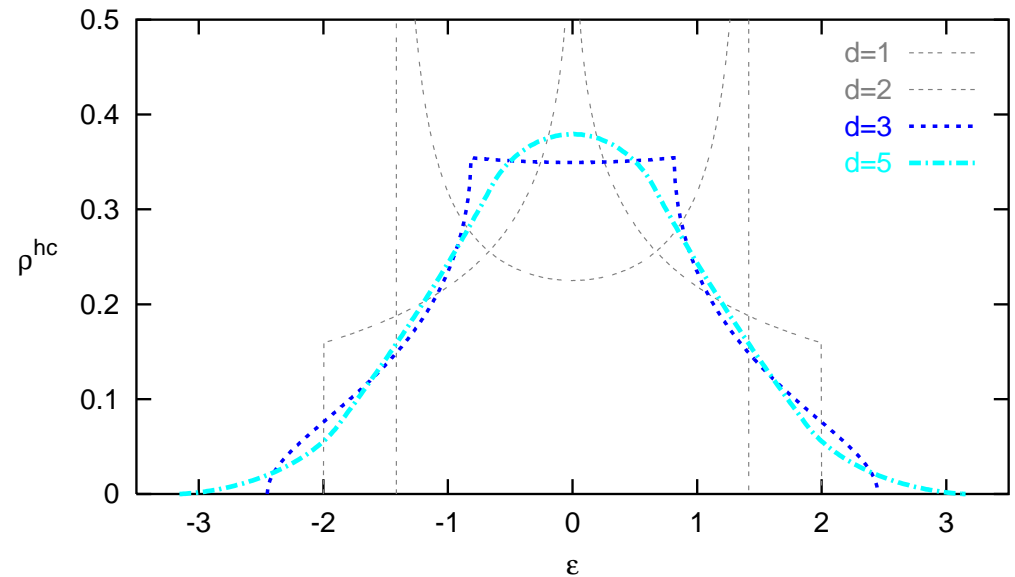
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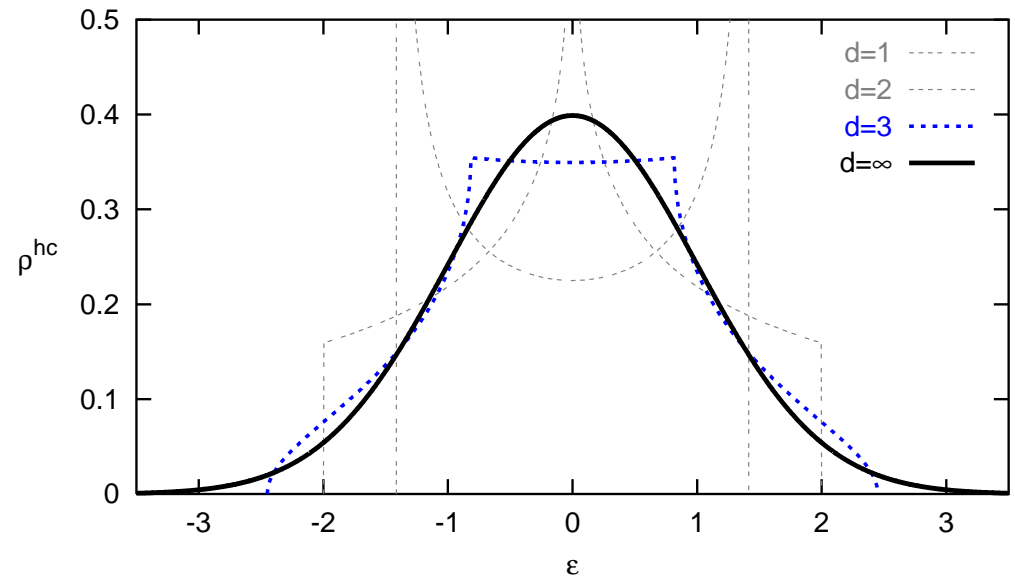
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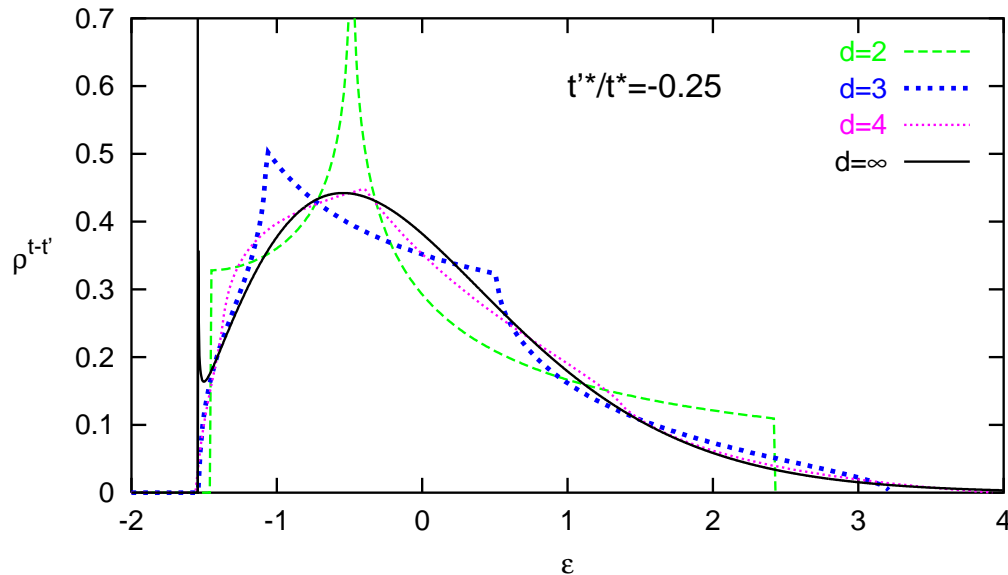
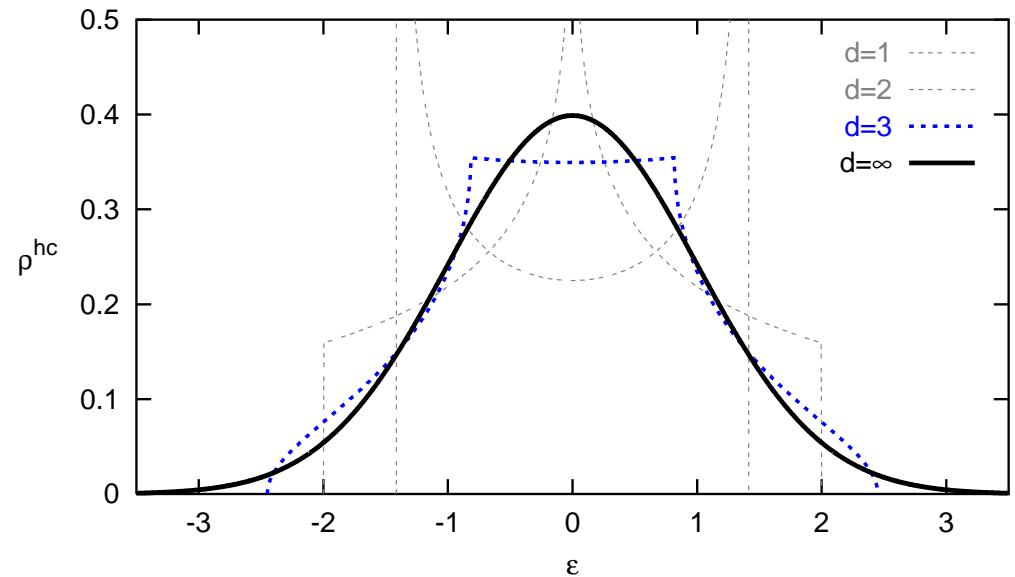
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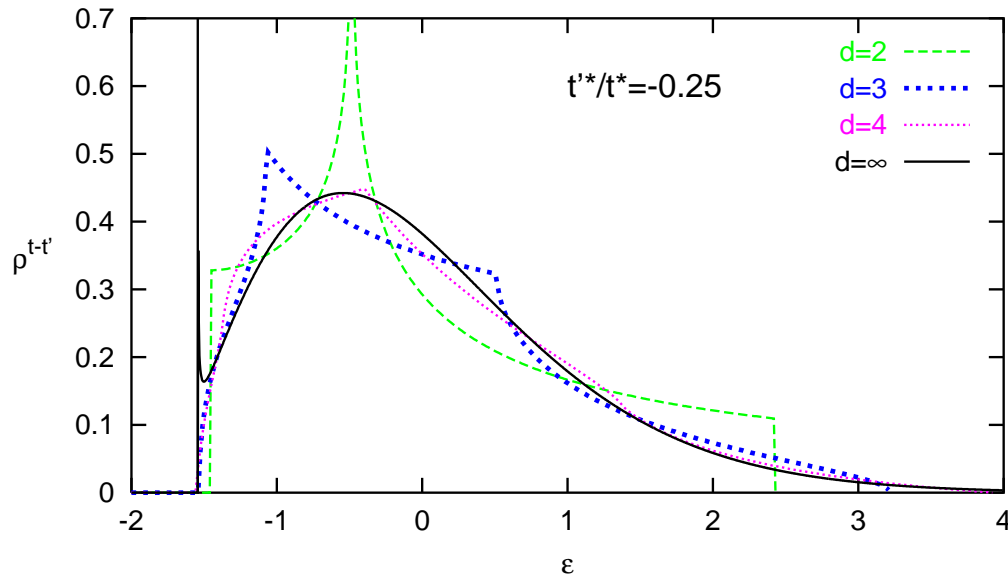
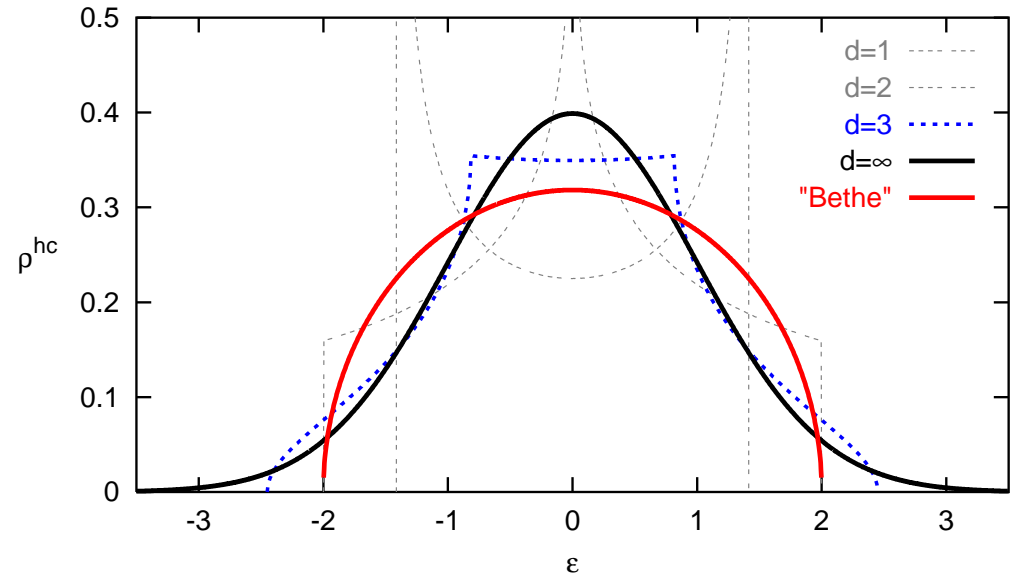
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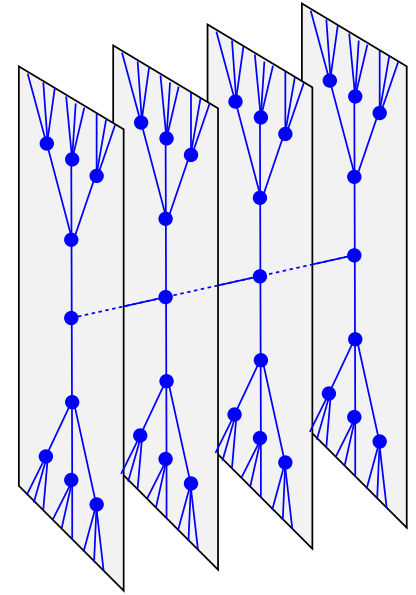
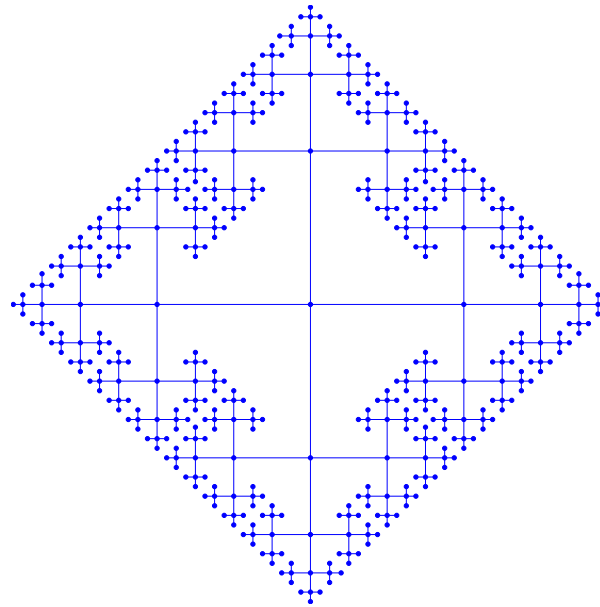
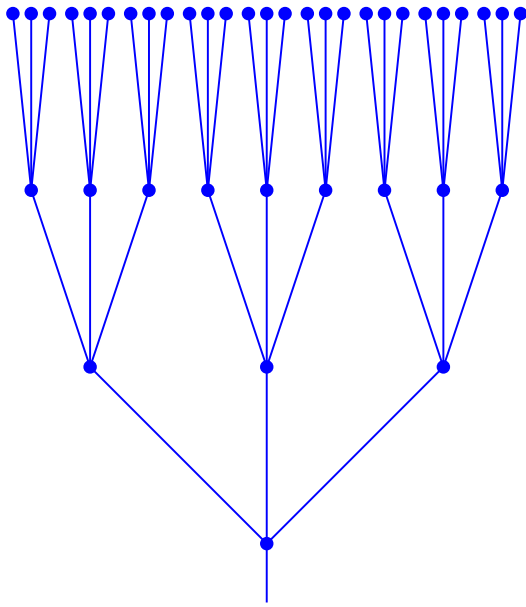
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Pragmatic choice: semi-elliptic "Bethe" DOS



“Bethe lattice”: defined by its topology: no loops, constant number Z of nearest neighbors
tree in the sense of graph theory

Definition suffices for computation of local properties of the homogeneous phase within DMFT

no directions, no \mathbf{k} space: transport is a priori undefined

Semi-elliptic DOS also realized for fully disordered models [Wigner, Mattis]

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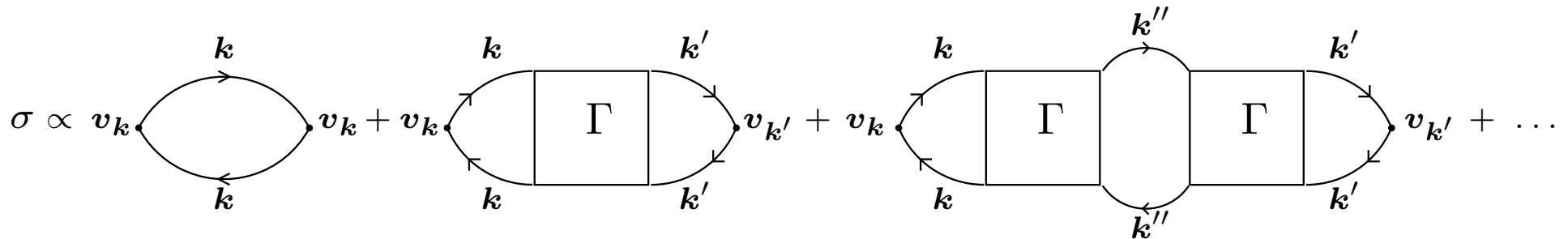
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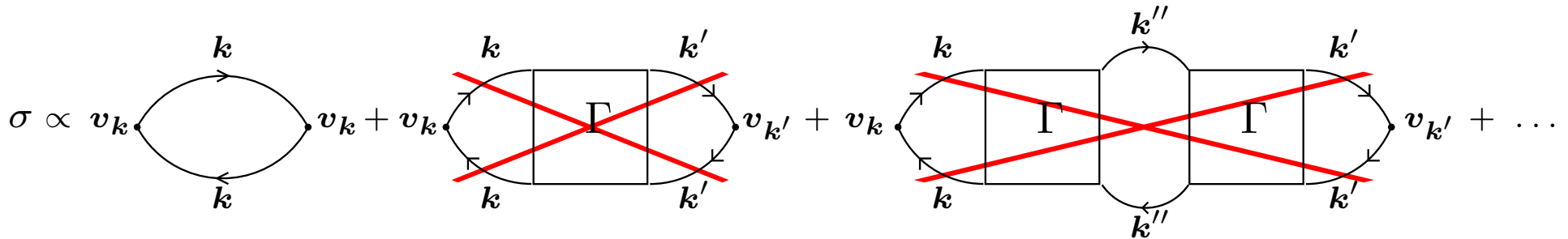
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$d \rightarrow \infty$: Vertex corrections vanish [A. Khurana, Phys. Rev. Lett. **64**, 1990 (1990)]

\mathbf{k} sum $\rightarrow \epsilon$ integral [T. Pruschke, D. L. Cox, and M. Jarrell, Phys. Rev. B **47**, 3553 (1993)]

$$\sigma_{xx}(\omega) = \sigma_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\epsilon \tilde{\rho}_{xx}(\epsilon) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' A_\epsilon(\omega') A_\epsilon(\omega' + \omega) \frac{n_f(\omega') - n_f(\omega + \omega')}{\omega}, \quad \text{where}$$

$$\sigma_0 := \frac{2\pi e^2 N}{\hbar^2 V}, \quad \tilde{\rho}_{xx}(\epsilon) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}})_x^2 \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}), \quad A_\epsilon(\omega) := -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon - \Sigma(\omega)}$$

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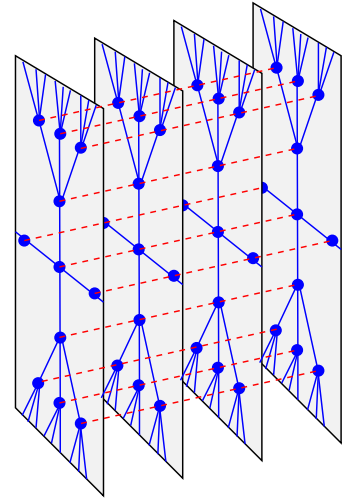
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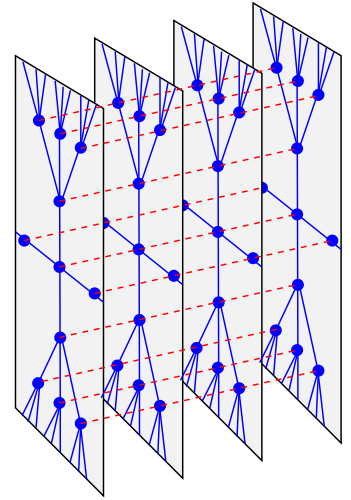
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However, the corresponding generalization of the f -sum rule is useless:

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New DMFT f -sum rule in terms of momentum distribution function $n_{\epsilon,\sigma} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega n_f(\omega) A_{\epsilon,\sigma}(\omega)$:

$$\int_0^{\infty} d\omega \sigma_{xx}(\omega) = \frac{\sigma_0}{4} \left\langle \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \frac{\tilde{\rho}_{xx}(\epsilon)}{\rho(\epsilon)} \right\rangle, \quad \text{where } \langle f(\epsilon) \rangle := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\epsilon \rho(\epsilon) (n_{\epsilon,\uparrow} + n_{\epsilon,\downarrow}) f(\epsilon)$$



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$$\tilde{\rho}_{xx}(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}})_x^2 \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}}^{\perp}) = \rho(\epsilon) \frac{a_x}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi/a_x}^{\pi/a_x} dk_x (\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}})_x^2 = \rho(\epsilon) \langle (\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}})_x^2 \rangle.$$

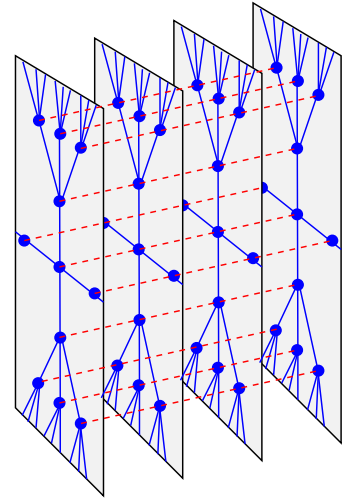
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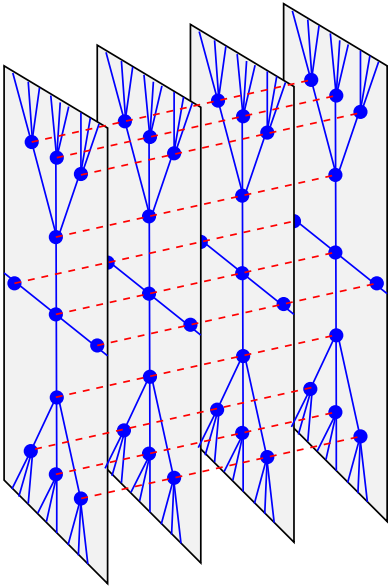
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$$\text{where } \langle f(\epsilon) \rangle := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\epsilon \rho(\epsilon) (n_{\epsilon,\uparrow} + n_{\epsilon,\downarrow}) f(\epsilon)$$



Previous Approaches for the Bethe Lattice

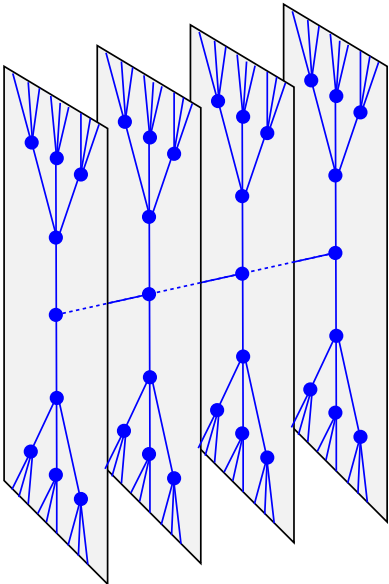


1. Periodically stacked Bethe lattice [G. S. Uhrig and R. Vlaming, *J. Phys. Cond. Matter* **5**, 2561 (1993)]

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- f -sum rule contradicts [Rozenberg et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **75**, 105 (1995)]
- transport is manifestly anisotropic



2. Single-chain layout of Bethe lattice

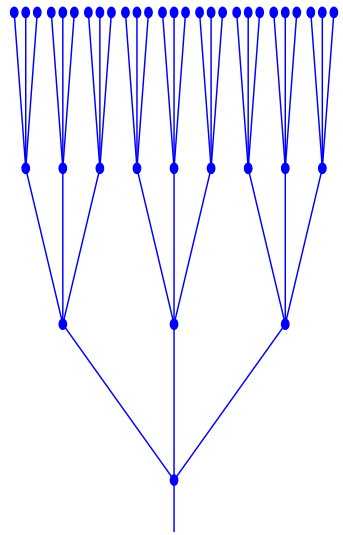
[M. P. H. Stumpf, Ph.D. Thesis, University of Oxford (1999)]

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[V. Dobrosavljević and G. Kotliar, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **71**, 3218 (1993)]

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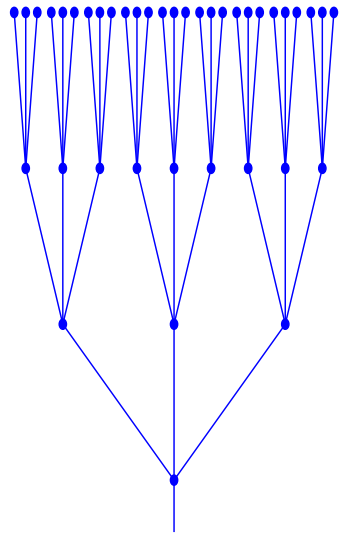
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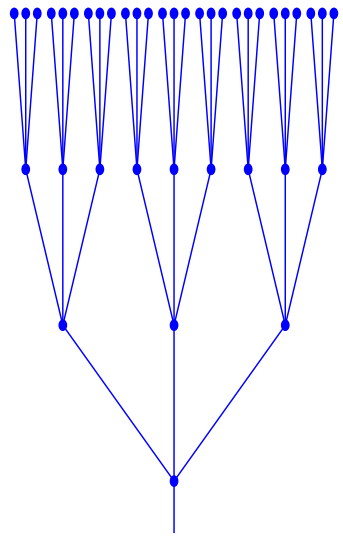
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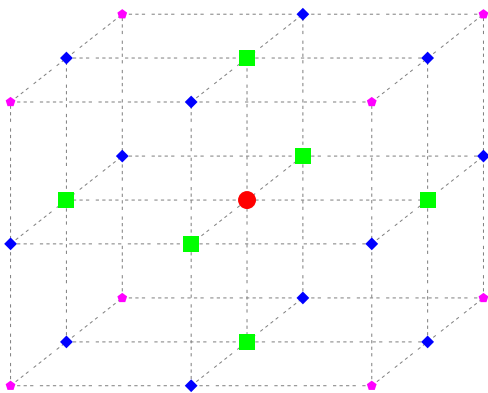
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4. **New:** general dispersion approach

Define new microscopic model with (e.g.) semi-elliptic DOS

- regular Bravais lattice
- definition for all transport properties straightforward
- conductivity coherent in the noninteracting limit
- hypercubic symmetry, i.e., isotropic transport (for $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0$)

General Dispersion Formalism

We rewrite the translation-invariant noninteracting Hamiltonian,

$$\hat{H}_0 = \sum_{i,\sigma} \sum_{\boldsymbol{\tau}} t_{\boldsymbol{\tau}} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}_i+\boldsymbol{\tau},\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{\mathbf{R}_i,\sigma} = \sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} \epsilon(\mathbf{k}) \hat{n}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma},$$

and classify contributions to the dispersion by the taxi-cab hopping distance $\|\boldsymbol{\tau}\| = \sum_{\alpha=1}^d |\tau_\alpha|$:

$$\epsilon(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{D=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_D(\mathbf{k}), \quad \epsilon_D(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\|\boldsymbol{\tau}\|=D} t_{\boldsymbol{\tau}} e^{i\boldsymbol{\tau}\cdot\mathbf{k}}.$$

For $d \rightarrow \infty$, almost all vectors $\boldsymbol{\tau}$ with $\|\boldsymbol{\tau}\| = D$ are of form $\boldsymbol{\tau} = \sum_{i=1}^D \mathbf{e}_{\alpha_i}$, $\alpha_i \neq \alpha_j$ (for $i \neq j$)

Natural choice: equivalent dimensions $\Rightarrow t_{\boldsymbol{\tau}} \equiv t_D = \frac{t_D^*}{\sqrt{N_D}}$, $N_D = 2^D \binom{d}{D} \approx \frac{(2d)^D}{D!}$

$$\epsilon_D(\mathbf{k}) = t_D \frac{2^D}{D!} \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^{D/2} B_D(\mathbf{k})$$

$$B_D(\mathbf{k}) = \left(\frac{2}{d}\right)^{D/2} \sum_{\alpha_D \neq \alpha_{D-1} \neq \dots \neq \alpha_1} \cos(k_{\alpha_D}) \cos(k_{\alpha_{D-1}}) \dots \cos(k_{\alpha_1})$$

Functions $B_D(\mathbf{k})$ fulfill a recursion relation (to leading order)

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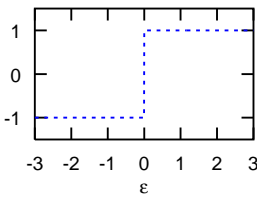
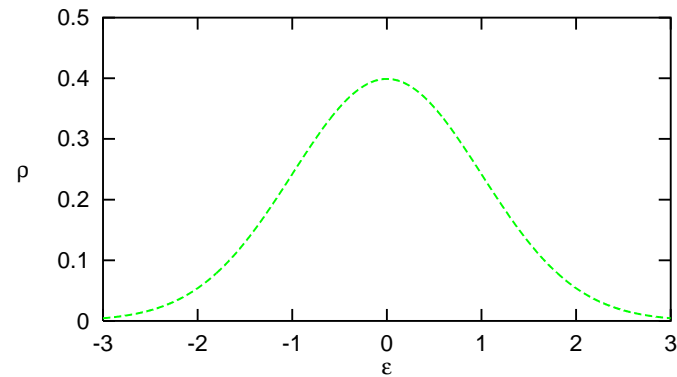
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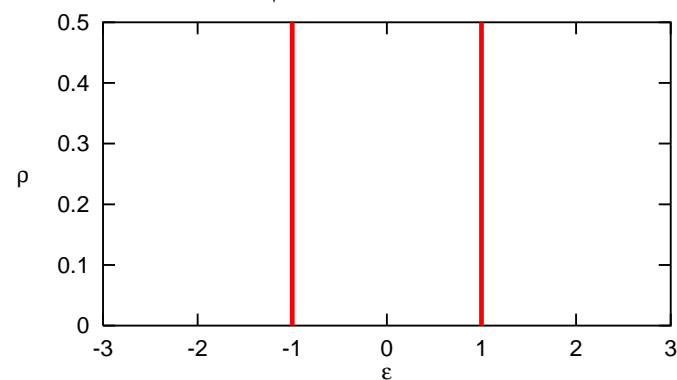
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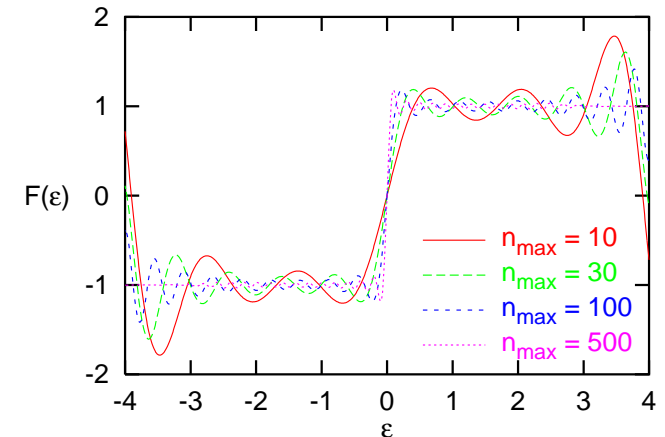
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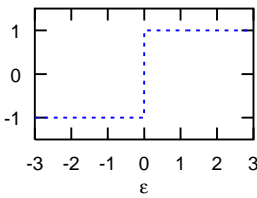
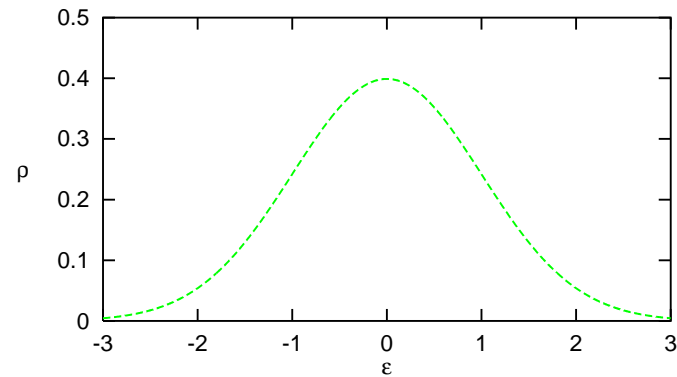
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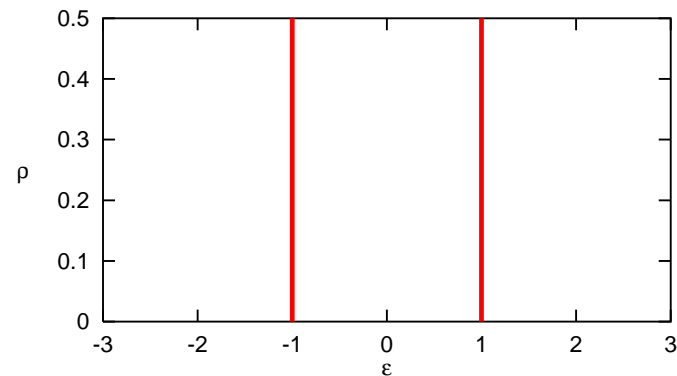
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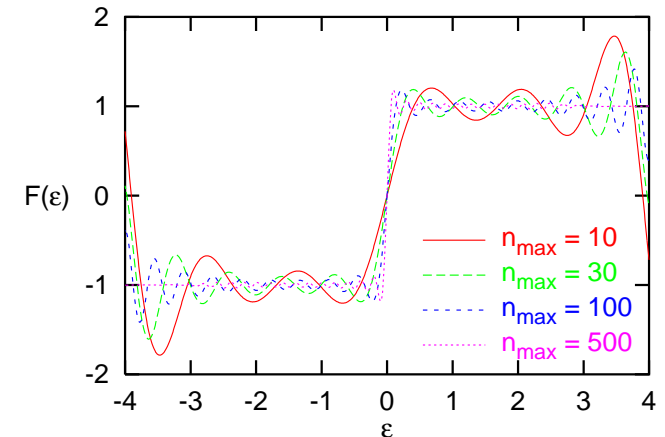
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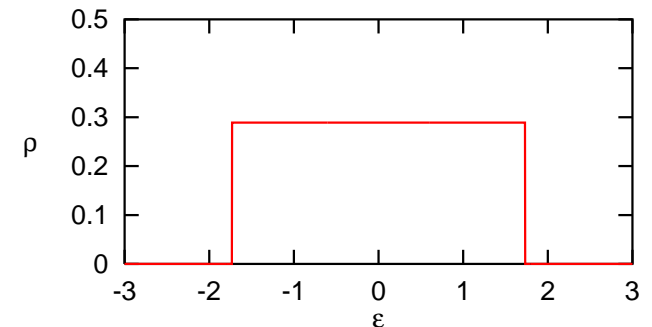


Example 2: constant DOS

rectangular model DOS: $\rho(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \Theta(\sqrt{3} - |\epsilon|)$

decay of t_D^* is already exponential

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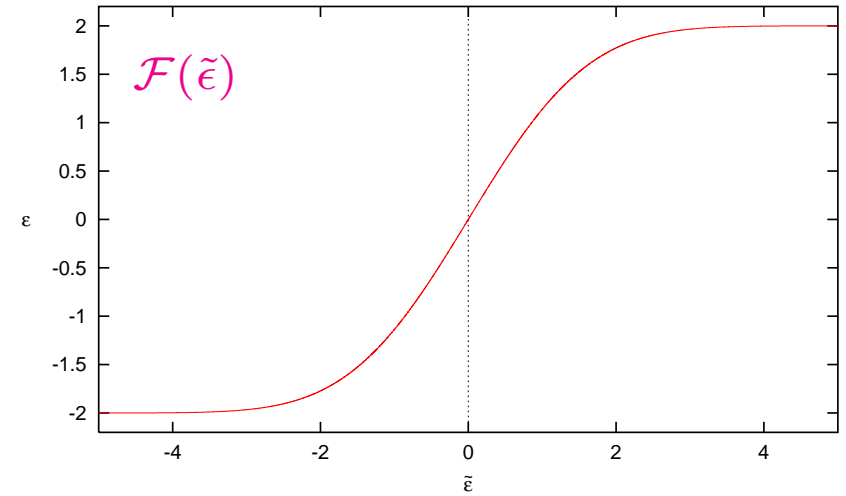


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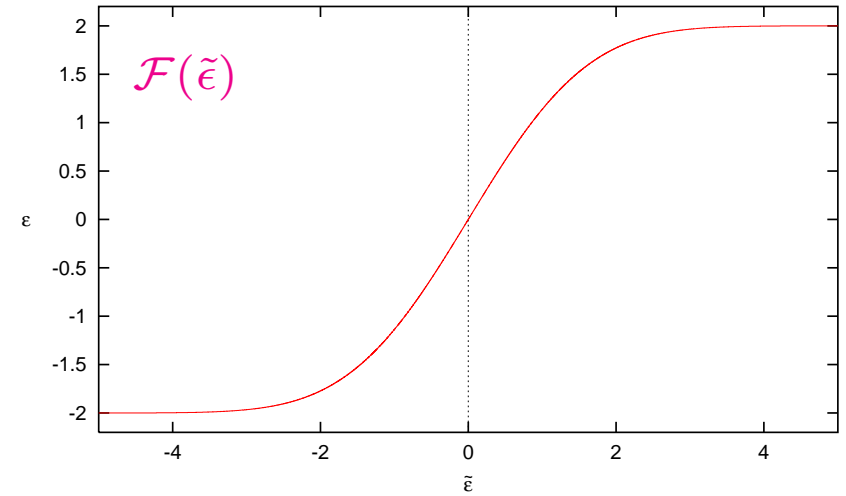
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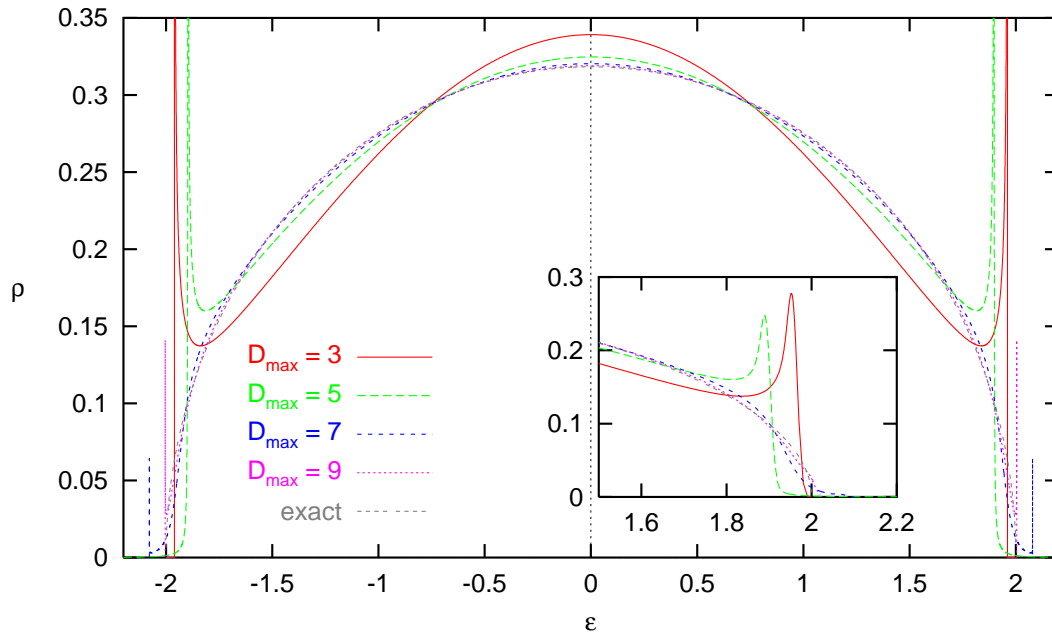
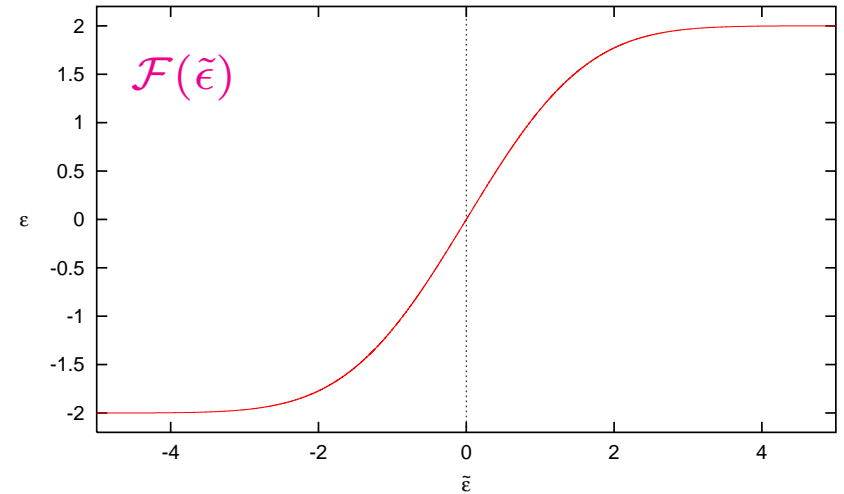
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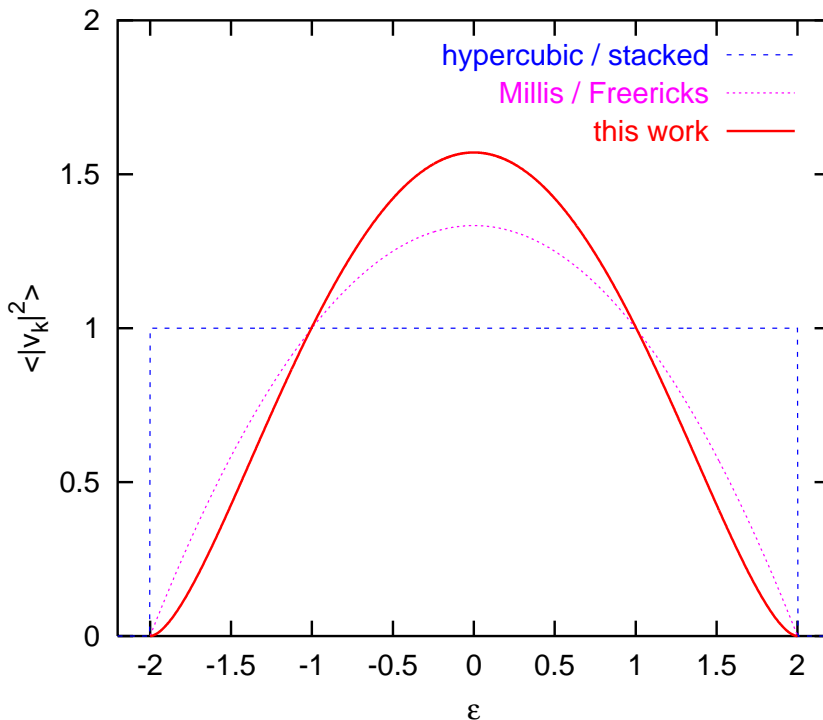


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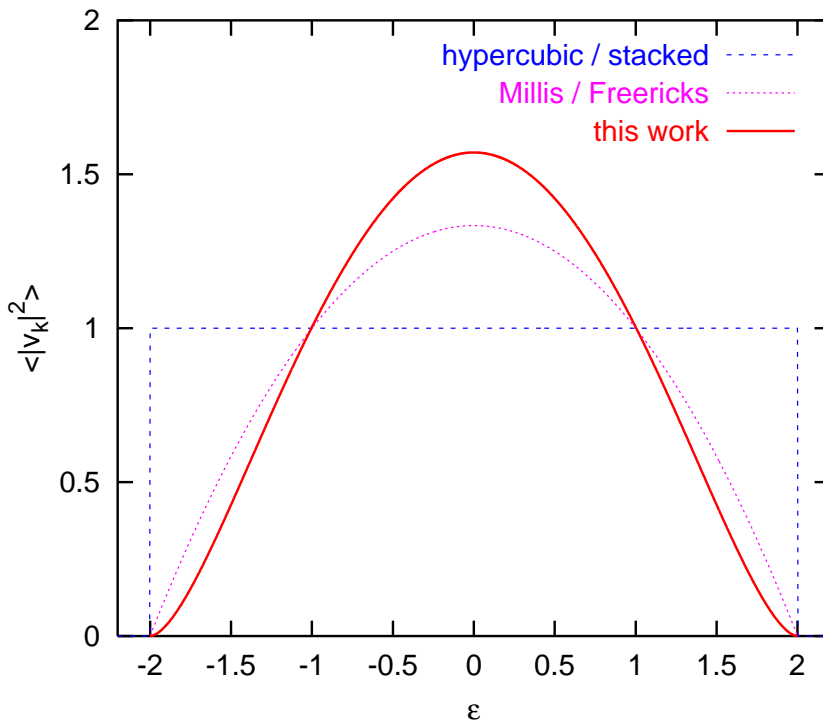


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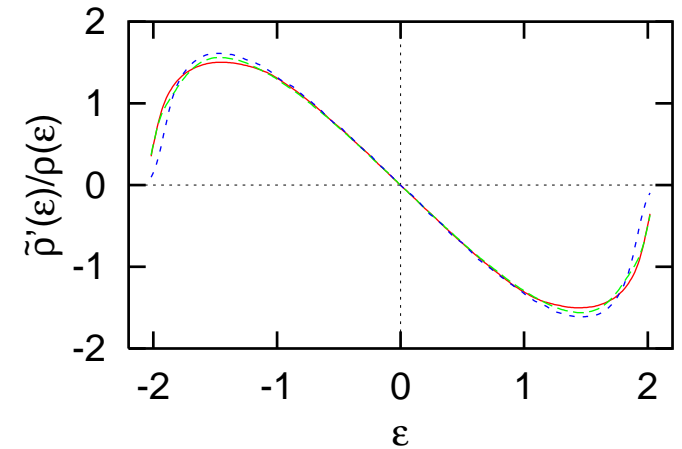
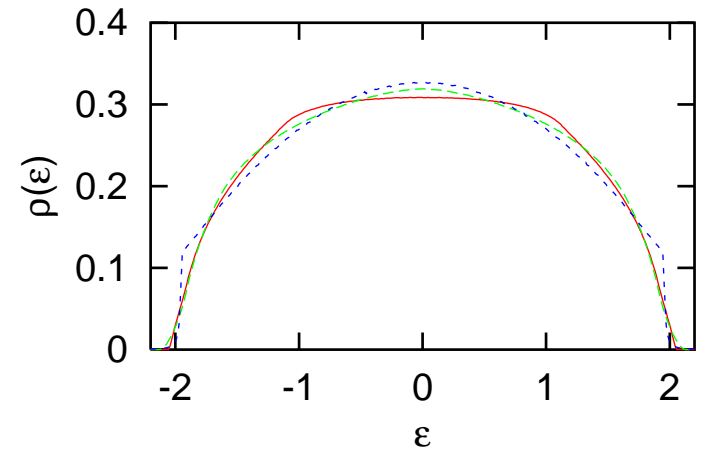
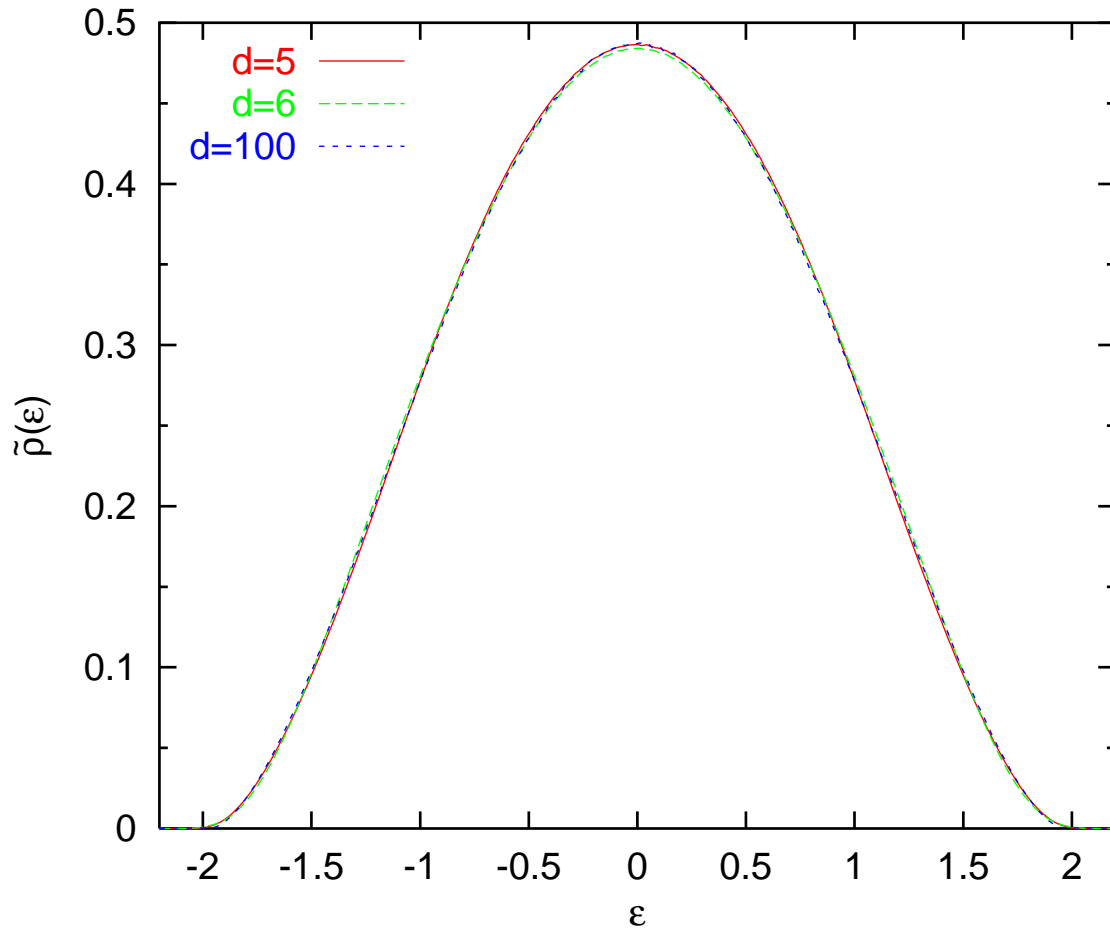
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Test for robustness: finite hopping range and finite dimensionality



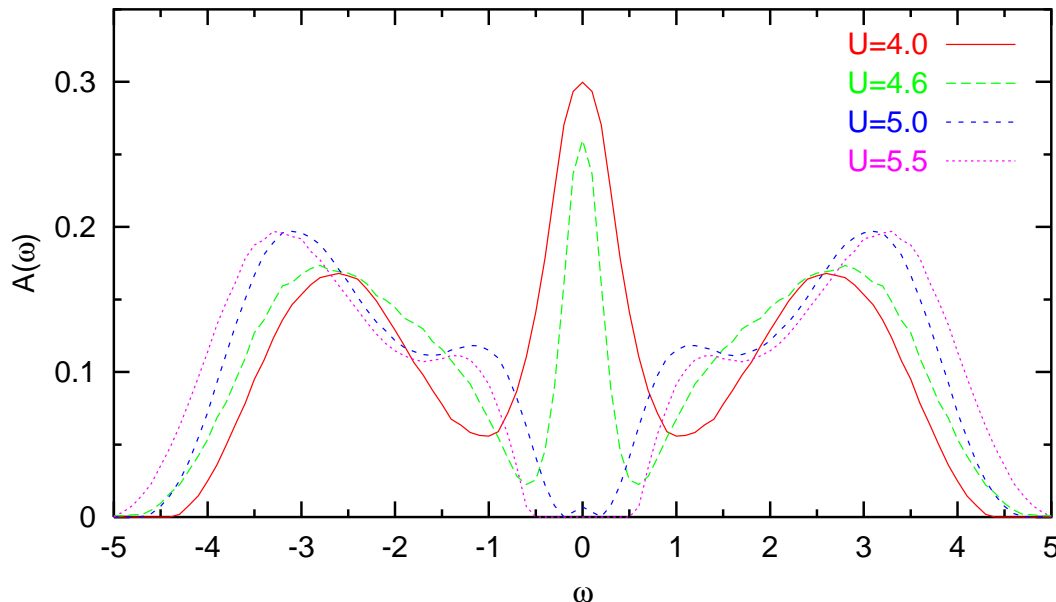
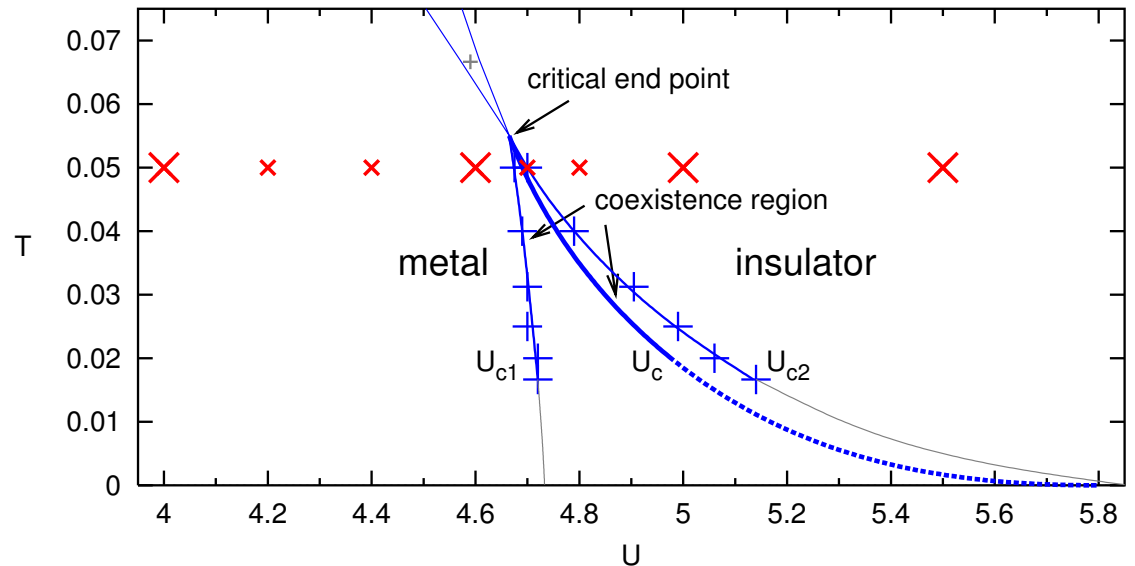
Restriction to 5th nearest neighbor hopping leads to a slight suppression of $\tilde{\rho}(\epsilon)$

Dimensional dependence negligible, even smaller than for DOS $\rho(\epsilon)$

Numerical Results for $\sigma(\omega)$ and f -sum

Hubbard model: $n = 1$, Bethe DOS

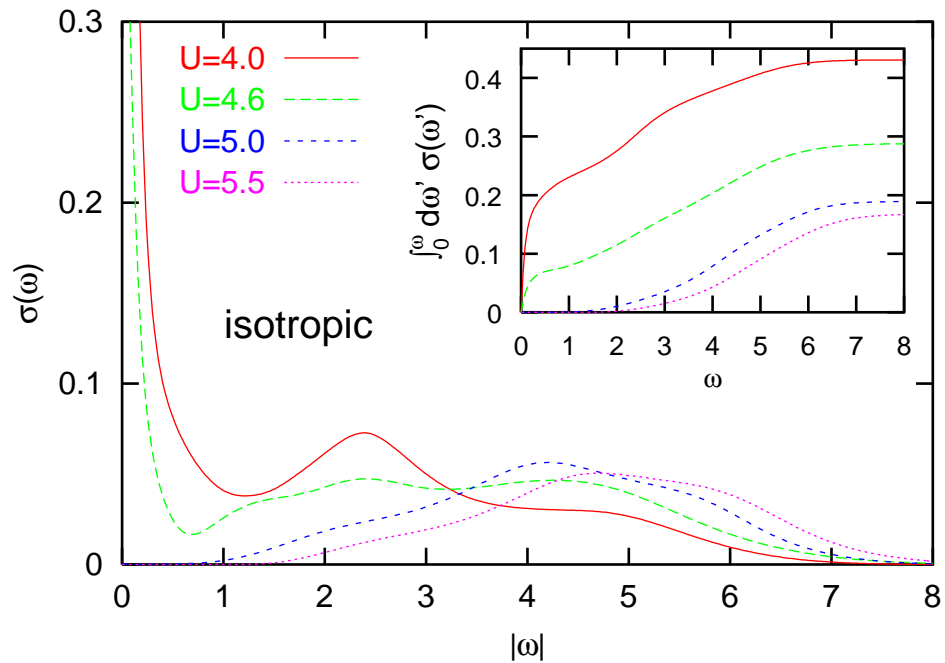
Metal-insulator transition region for
 $4.0 \leq U \leq 5.5$ and $T = 0.05$,
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QMC with time discretization $\Delta\tau = 0.1$

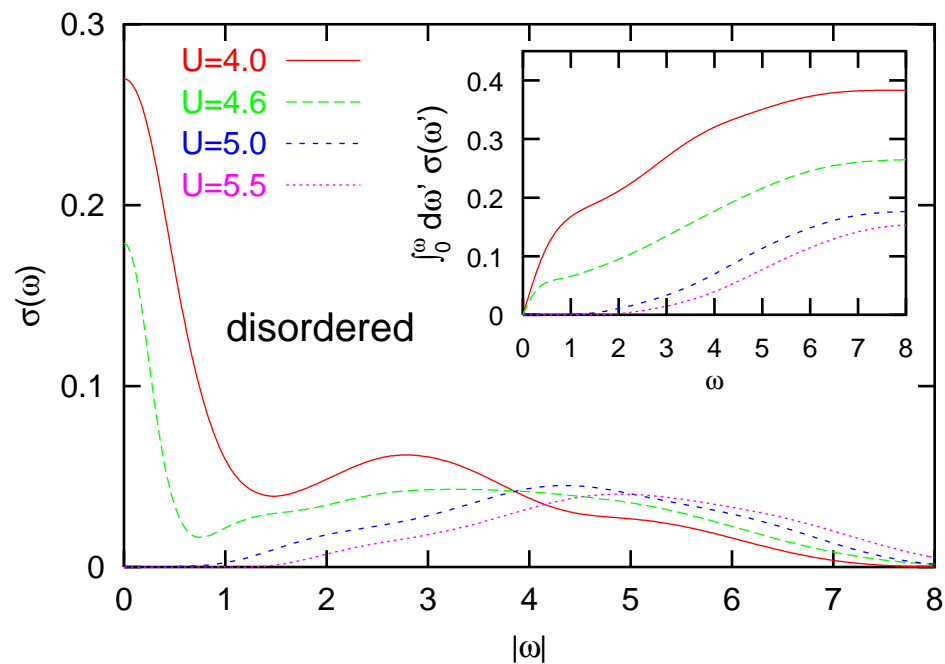
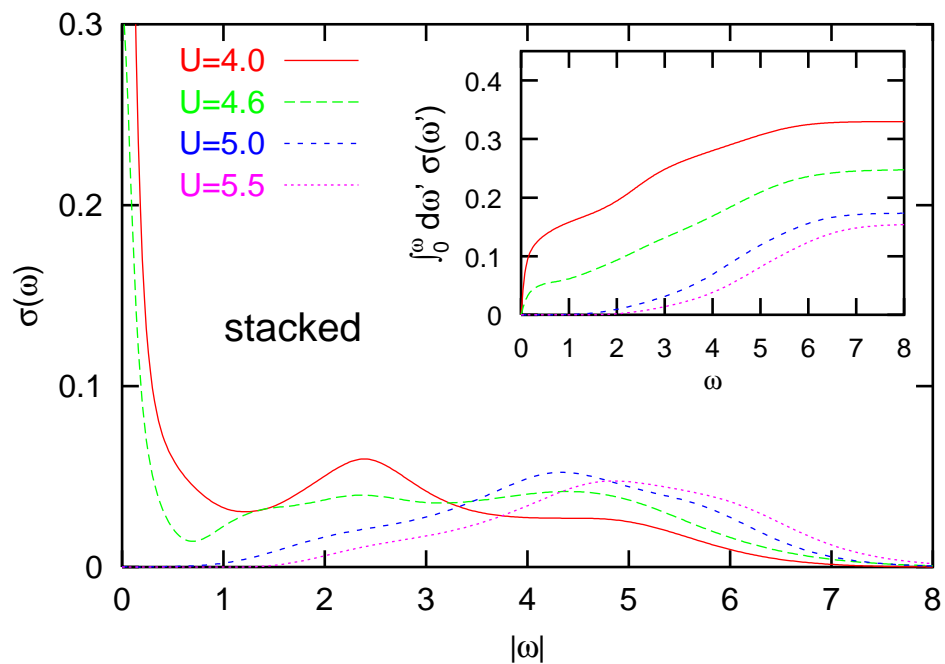
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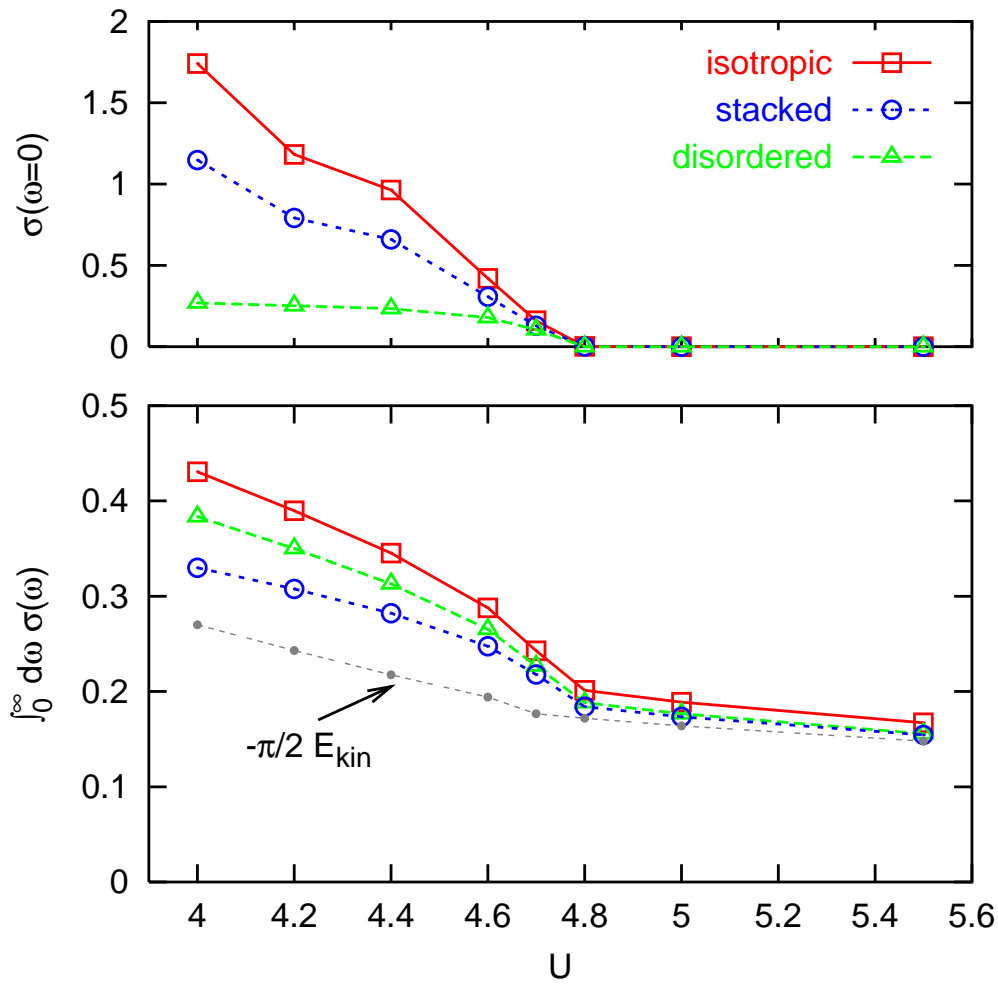
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- quasiparticle peak disappears at the transition ($U \approx 4.7$)
- gap opens for $U \gtrsim 4.8$



in metallic phase ($U = 4.0, U = 4.6$):
 low-frequency Drude peak
 mid-infrared peak at $\omega \approx U/2$

incoherent peaks at $\omega \approx U$ remain for large U
 largest contributions at small ω for isotropic def
 no Drude peaks for incoherent definitions





$\sigma(\omega)$ and f -sum largest for isotropic clean case
 enhancement strongest in coherent (metallic) phase due to enhanced $\tilde{\rho}(\epsilon)$ at $\epsilon \approx 0$ by factor $\pi/2 \approx 1.57$

in incoherent limit enhancement by

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\epsilon \tilde{\rho}(\epsilon) = \sum_{D=1}^{\infty} D t_D^{*2} \approx 1.054$$

much smaller σ_{dc} in disordered / single-chain case, intermediate f -sum

In all cases, proportionality of the f -sum to the kinetic energy clearly violated (at finite U and T)

Conclusion

previously: discussion of transport in high dimensions restricted to

- systems with unbounded density of states
- strongly anisotropic “stacked” models
- incoherent systems with full hopping disorder

new general method for constructing regular lattice models with hypercubic symmetry and arbitrary DOS in large dimensions

- first regular and clean lattice (nonsingular $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}}$) with sharp (3d like) band edges in $d \rightarrow \infty$
see also: [M. Kollar, *Int. J. Mod. Phys. B*, **16**, 3491 (2002)]
- first definition of isotropic and coherent optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$ in high dimensions consistent with Bethe semi-elliptic DOS
- small impact of truncation of hopping range and application in finite dimensions

new DMFT f -sum rule

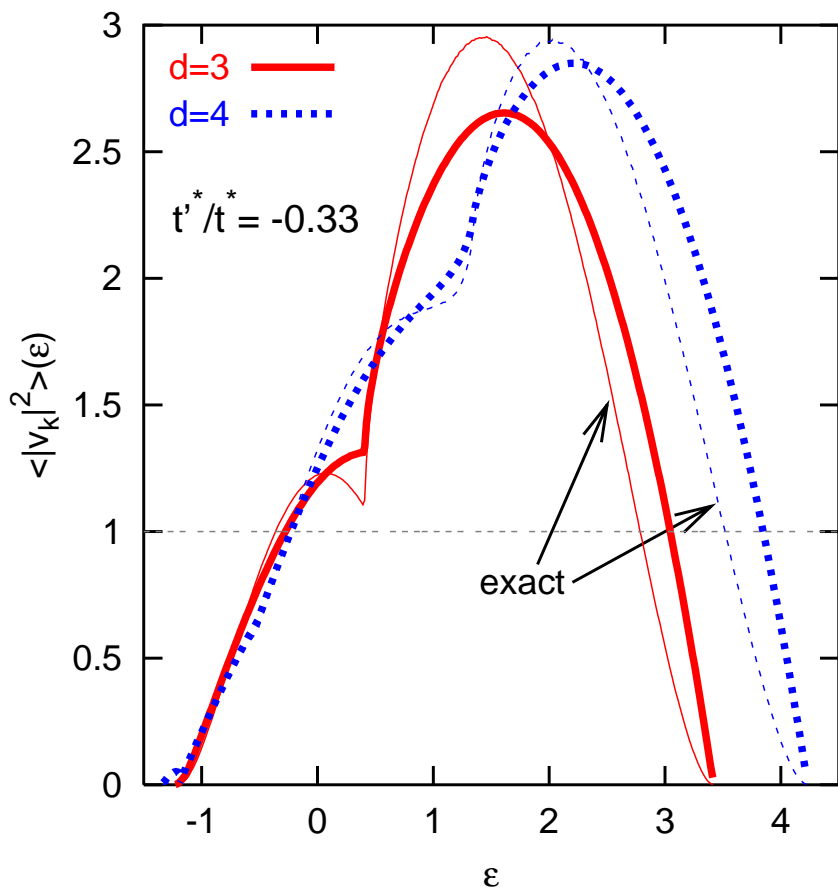
numerical results for $\sigma(\omega)$ based on high-precision QMC/MEM spectra

general dispersion formalism useful as heuristic scheme in finite dimensions when locality of Σ and Γ are used as approximations

not discussed: vertex corrections and reduced umklapp scattering in finite dimensions, multiple bands

General dispersion formalism as heuristic scheme

Test: $t - t'$ model



Application for t_{2g} bands of $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{TiO}_3$ based on LDA data

