

The **Floquet** Fermi liquid

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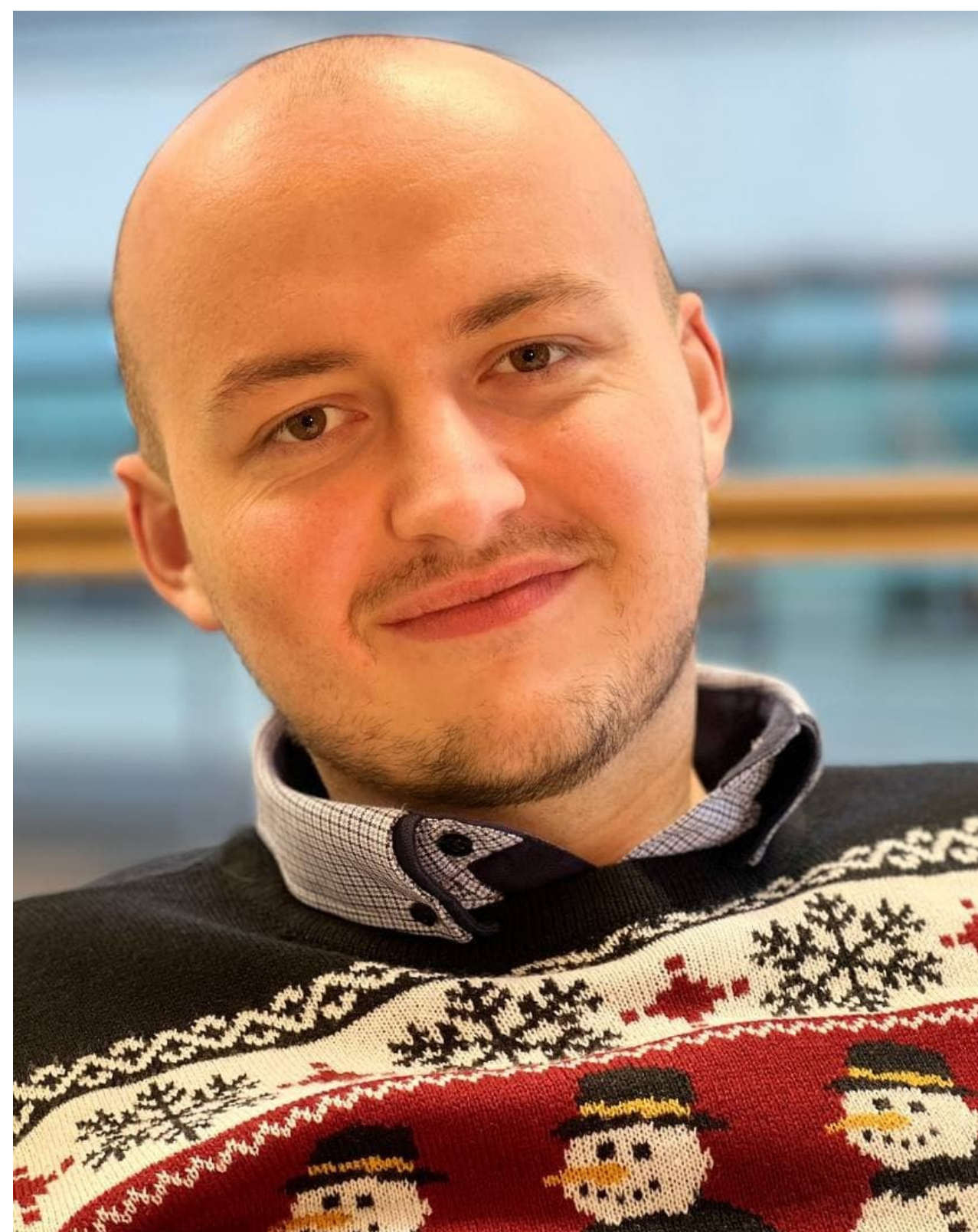
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Prelude

The Fermi liquid

An equilibrium state of matter of fermions

- Max entropy
- Pauli exclusion principle

Rudolf Clausius

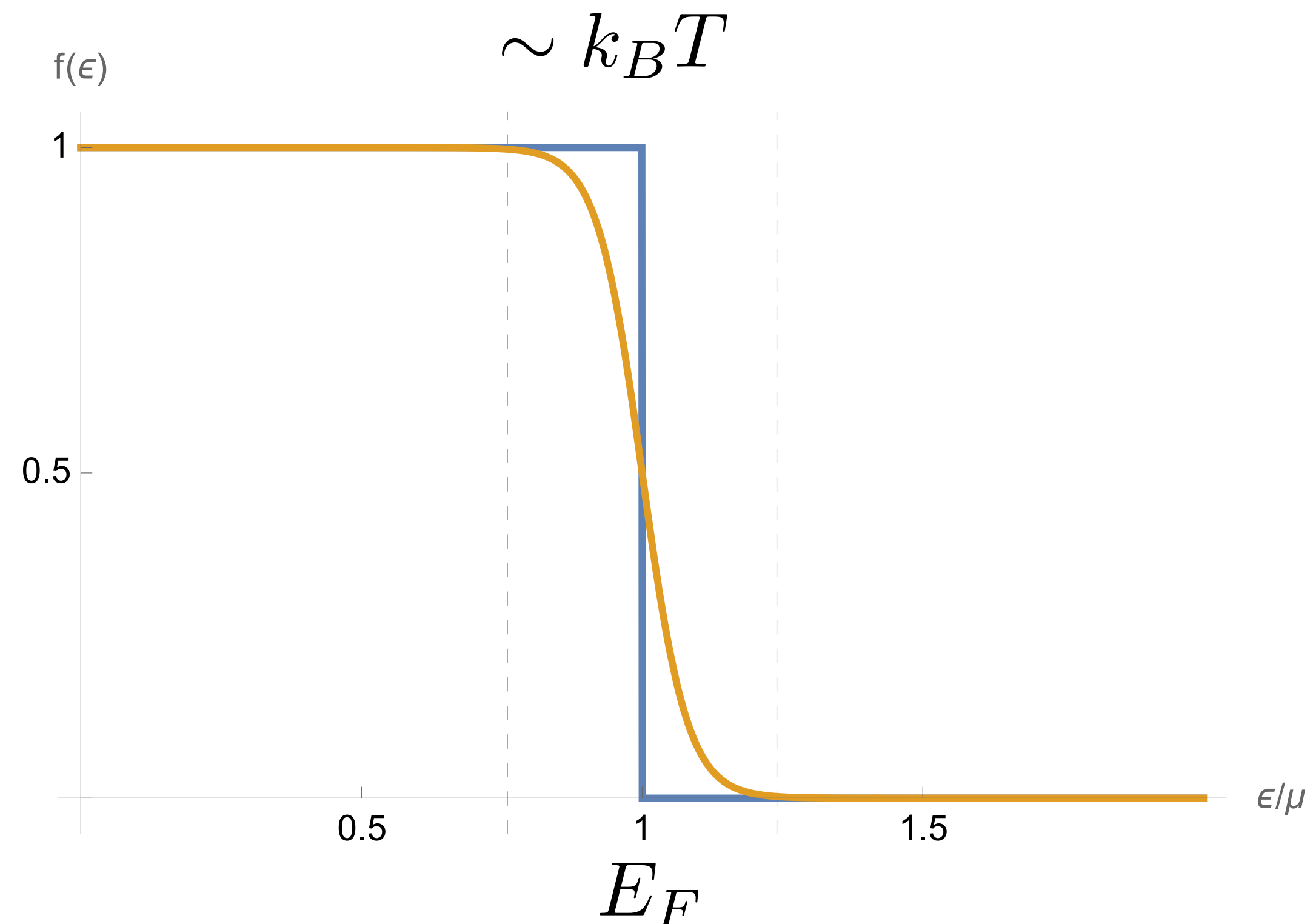


The entropy of an isolated system not in equilibrium will tend to increase over time, approaching a maximum value at equilibrium.

The Fermi liquid

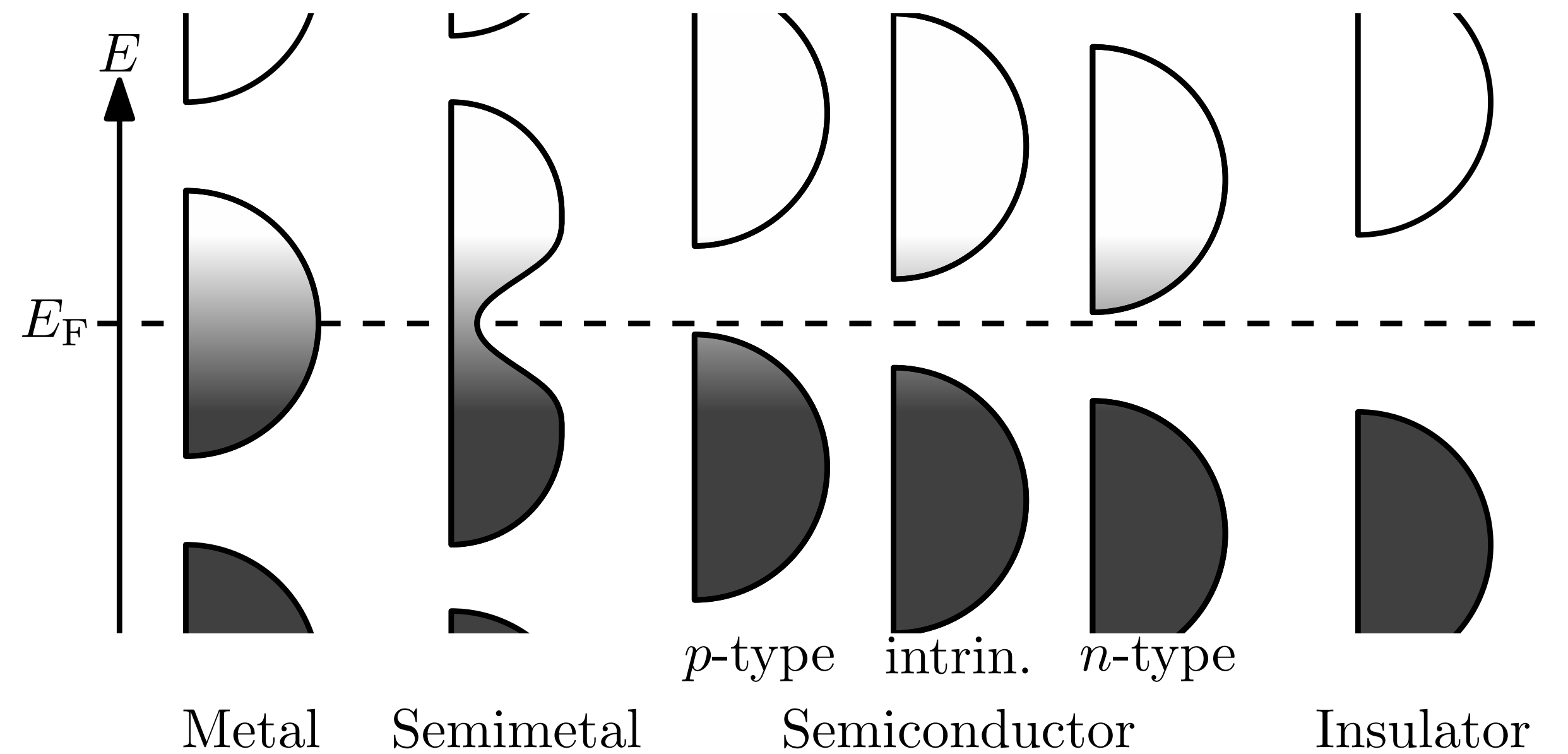
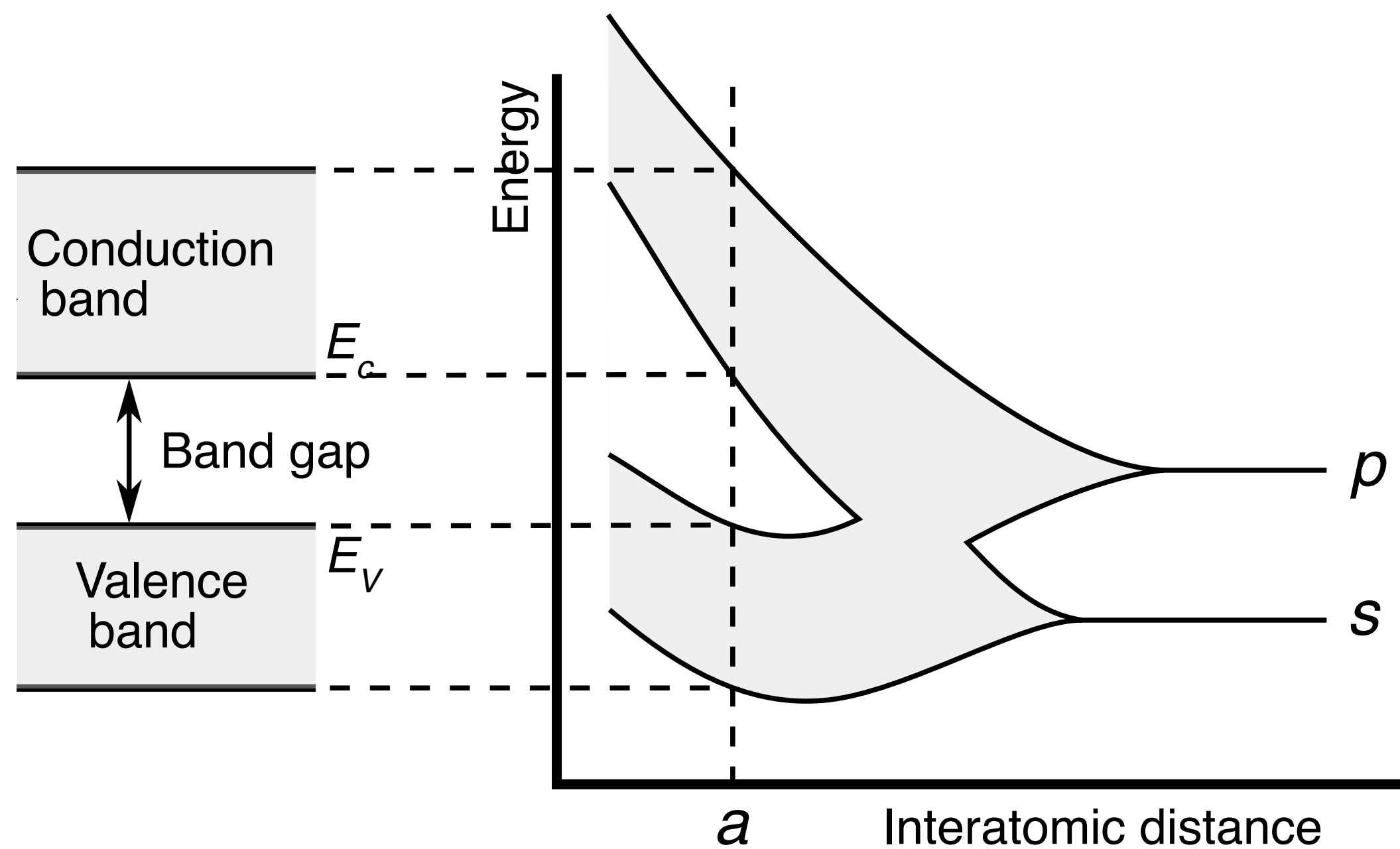
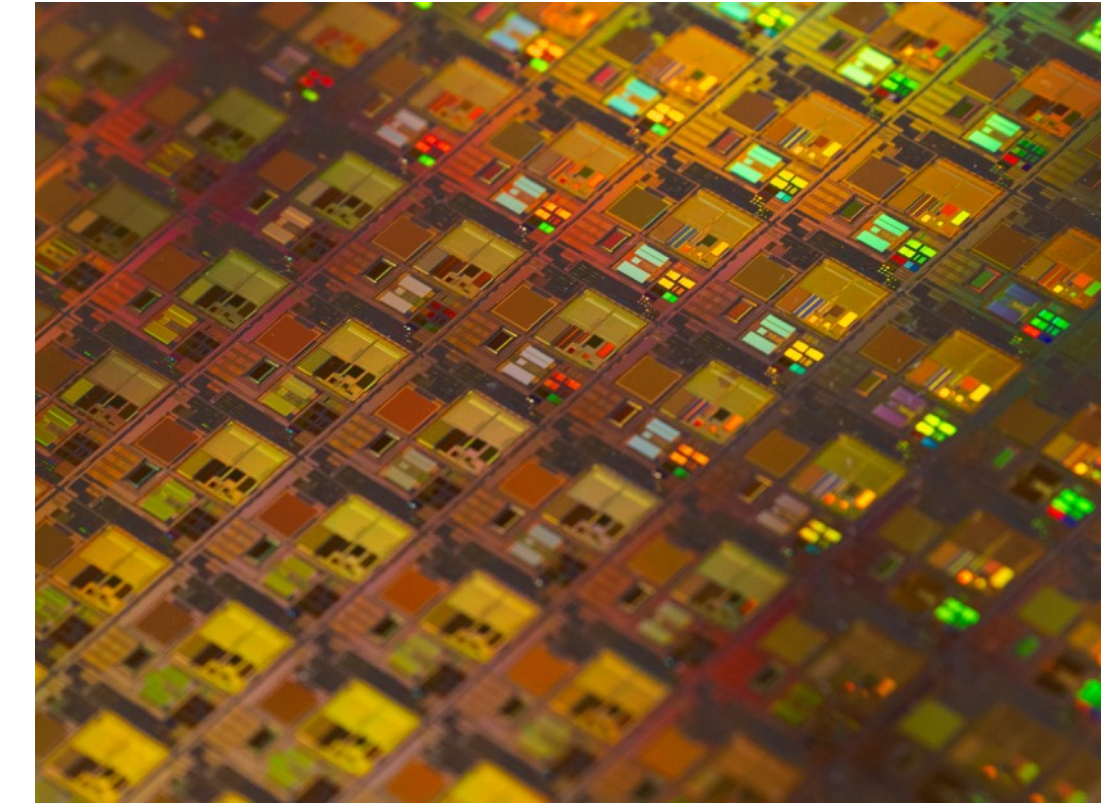
Pauli exclusion principle + Maximizing the entropy → Fermi-Dirac distribution features a sharp **Fermi surface** at zero temperature

$$f(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{e^{(\epsilon - \mu)/k_B T} + 1}$$



The Fermi liquid

Cornerstone for other theories and technologies



The Floquet Fermi liquid

A periodically driven system, out of equilibrium

$$H_S(t) = H_S(t + T)$$

$$i\partial_t |\psi_n^F(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_n^F(t)\rangle$$

$$|\psi_n^F(t)\rangle = \sum_l e^{-i(\epsilon_n^F + l\Omega)t} |\varphi_{n,l}\rangle, \quad \Omega = 2\pi/T$$

quasi energy

discretized Fourier series



The **Floquet** Fermi liquid

- Dissipate energy
- Erase memory
- Unique steady state

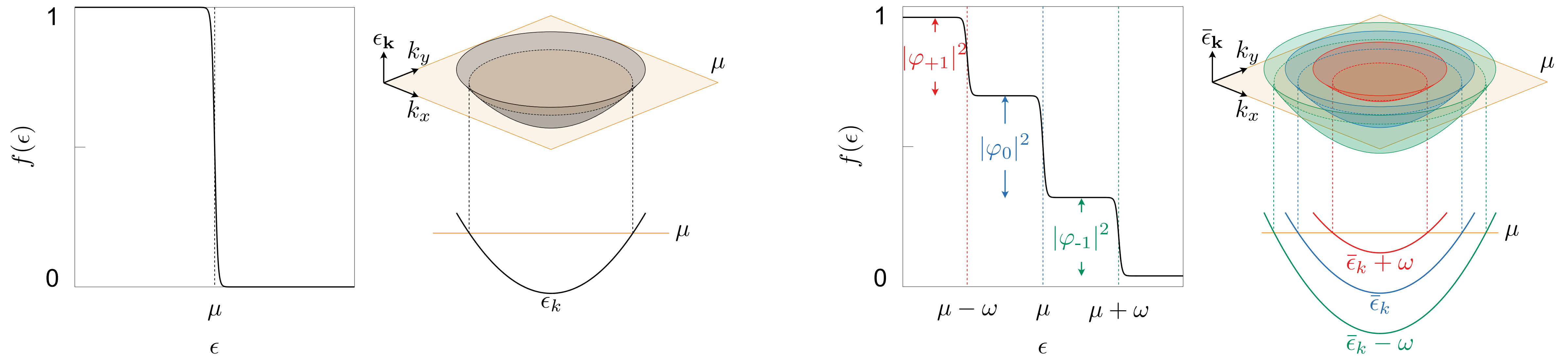
To reach a steady state under **periodically driven**, a bath is crucial !



The Floquet Fermi liquid

How does it look like?

- multiple surfaces
- spacing between the surfaces
- size of the jump



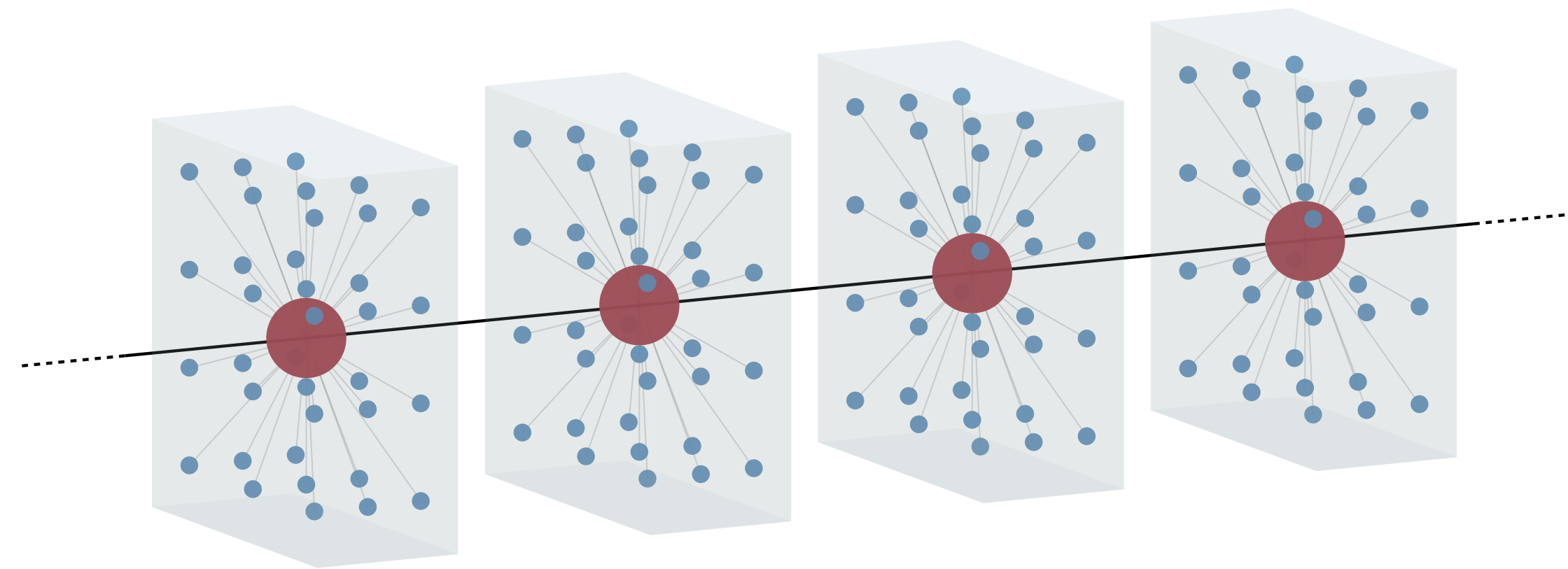
Derivations

Open system Schrödinger equation

non-interacting, single particle

separate system and bath as a direct sum of their individual Hilbert spaces

$$H(t) = \begin{bmatrix} H_S(t) & H_{SB}(t) \\ H_{BS}(t) & H_B(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad |\psi(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} |\psi_S(t)\rangle \\ |\psi_B(t)\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$



$$i\partial_t |\psi_S(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_S(t)\rangle + H_{SB}(t) |\psi_B(t)\rangle$$

$$i\partial_t |\psi_B(t)\rangle = H_{BS}(t) |\psi_S(t)\rangle + H_B(t) |\psi_B(t)\rangle$$

Open system Schrödinger equation

reduce the bath state dynamics

$$i\partial_t |\psi_S(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_S(t)\rangle + H_{SB}(t) |\psi_B(t)\rangle$$

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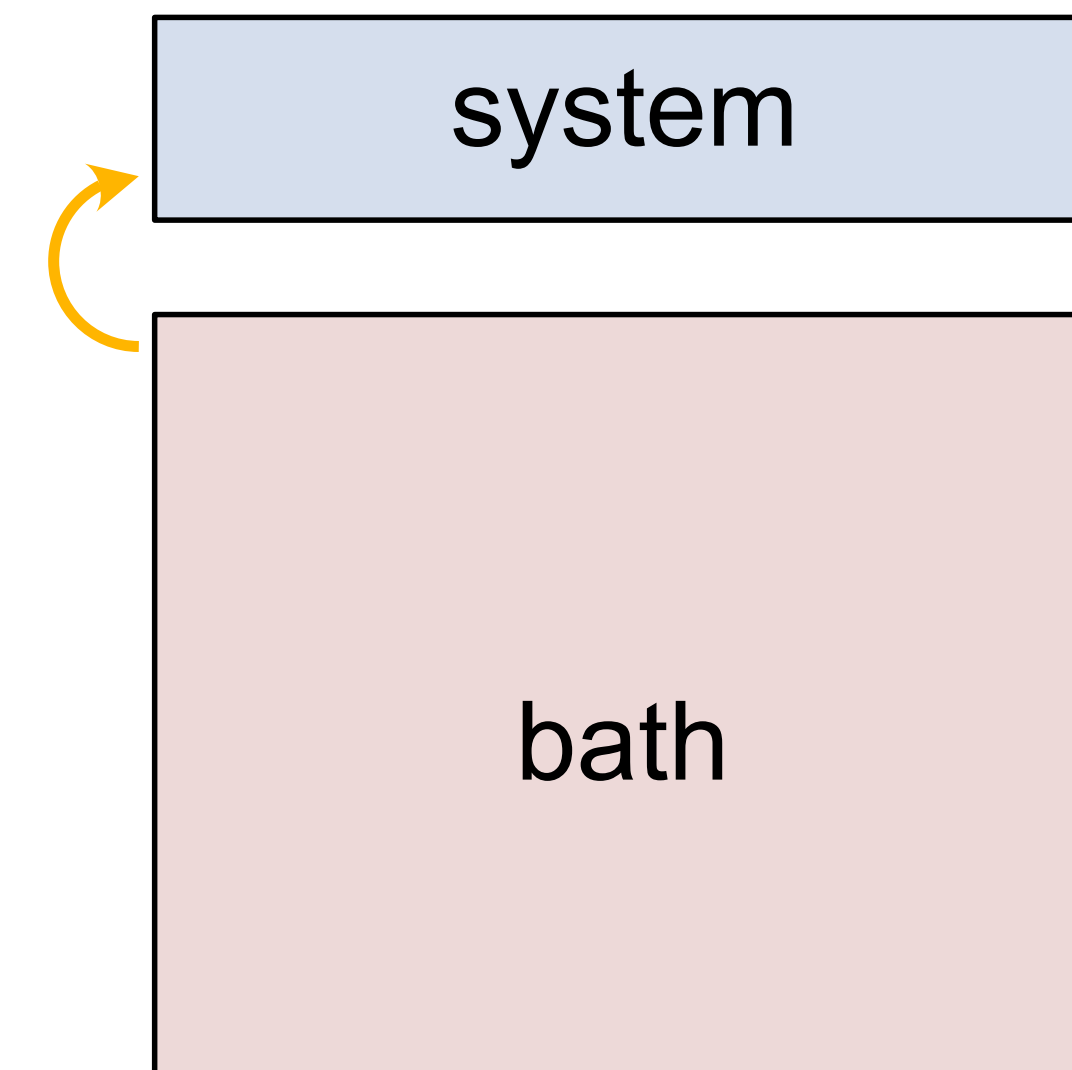
$$i\partial_t U_B(t, t_0) = H_B(t) U_B(t, t_0)$$

Bath feedback effect

$$i\partial_t |\psi_S(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_S(t)\rangle + H_{SB}(t) U_B(t, t_0) |\psi_B(t_0)\rangle$$

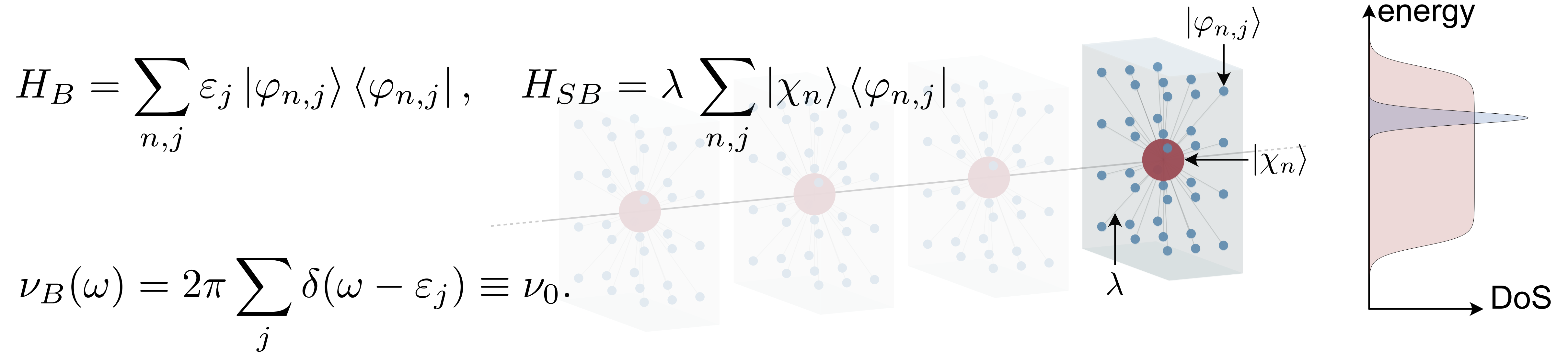
$$- iH_{SB}(t) \int_{t_0}^t dt' U_B(t, t') H_{BS}(t') |\psi_S(t')\rangle ,$$

Decay, memory and energy renormalization effects



Open system Schrödinger equation

restrict to a featureless fermionic bath



Open system Schrödinger equation

Bath feedback effect

$$i\partial_t |\psi_S(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_S(t)\rangle + H_{SB}(t) U_B(t, t_0) |\psi_B(t_0)\rangle - iH_{SB}(t) \int_{t_0}^t dt' U_B(t, t') H_{BS}(t') |\psi_S(t')\rangle,$$

Decay, memory and energy renormalization effects

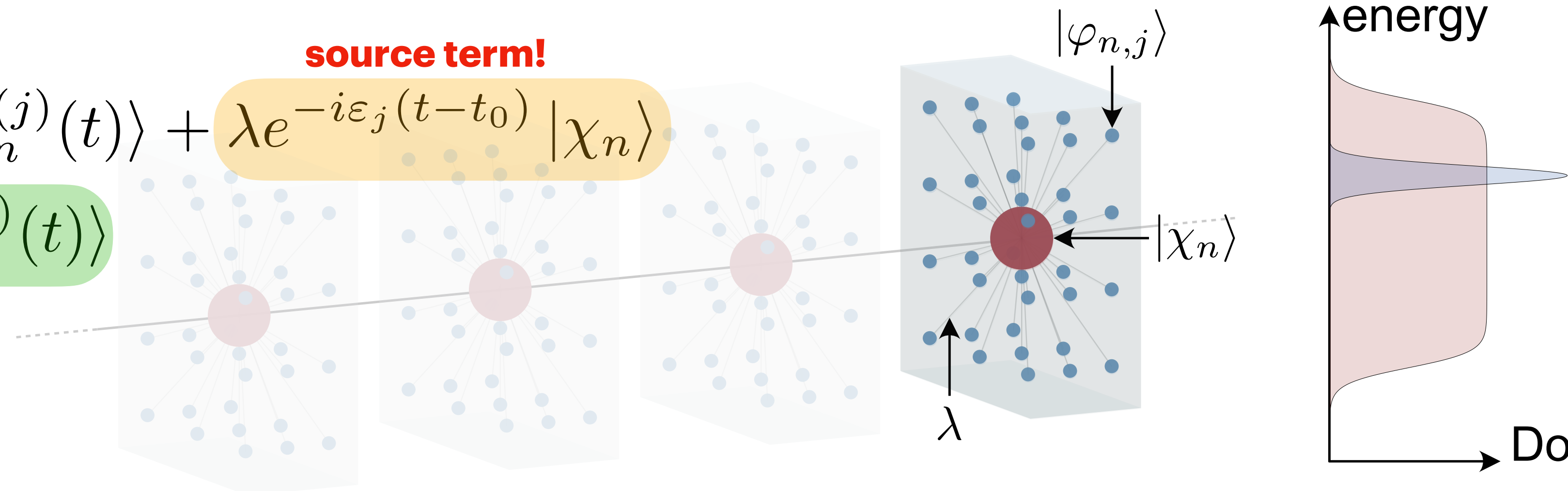


system state $\psi_n^{(j)}$ evolved

out of a pure bath state $\varphi_{n,j}$

$$i\partial_t |\psi_n^{(j)}(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_n^{(j)}(t)\rangle + \lambda e^{-i\varepsilon_j(t-t_0)} |\chi_n\rangle - i\Gamma |\psi_n^{(j)}(t)\rangle$$

$$\Gamma \equiv \lambda^2 \nu_0 / 2$$

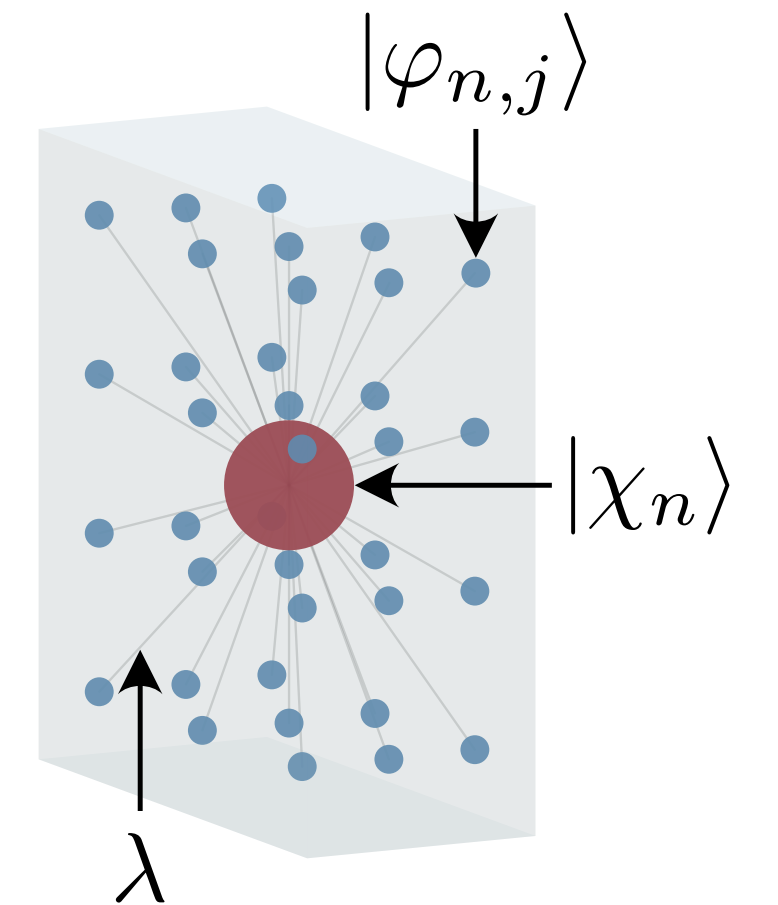


Steady state occupation

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system state $\psi_n^{(j)}$ evolved out of a pure bath state $\varphi_{n,j}$

$$\rho_B(t_0) = \sum_{n,j} f_0(\varepsilon_j) |\varphi_{n,j}\rangle \langle \varphi_{n,j}|, \quad f_0(\varepsilon_j) = \frac{1}{\exp[\beta_0(\varepsilon_j - \mu_0)] + 1}$$



$$\rho_S(t) = \sum_{n,j} f_0(\varepsilon_j) |\psi_n^{(j)}(t)\rangle \langle \psi_n^{(j)}(t)|$$

ensemble (weighted) summation of system states evolved out of all initial bath states

Steady state occupation

$$\rho_S(t) = \Gamma \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\epsilon}{\pi} f_0(\epsilon) U_\Gamma(t, \epsilon) U_\Gamma^\dagger(t, \epsilon), \quad U_\Gamma(t, \epsilon) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt' e^{\Gamma(t'-t) - i\epsilon t'} U_S(t, t')$$

$$i\partial_t U_S(t, t') = H_S(t) U_S(t, t')$$

$$\rho_S(t + T) = \rho_S(t) \text{ **synchronized with the drive**}$$

In the clean limit ..

Steady state occupation

$$\lim_{\Gamma \rightarrow 0} \rho_S(t) = \sum_n p_n |\psi_n^F(t)\rangle \langle \psi_n^F(t)|, \quad p_n = \sum_l \langle \varphi_{n,l} | \varphi_{n,l} \rangle f_0(\epsilon_n^F + l\Omega).$$

occupation in the Floquet basis becomes time independent

$$i\partial_t |\psi_n^F(t)\rangle = H_S(t) |\psi_n^F(t)\rangle \quad |\psi_n^F(t)\rangle = \sum_l e^{-i(\epsilon_n^F + l\Omega)t} |\varphi_{n,l}\rangle, \quad \Omega = 2\pi/T$$

a sum of Fermi-Dirac functions, each shifted by integer multiples of the driving frequency !

Demonstrations

Staircase occupation

Consider a diagonal Hamiltonian with a harmonic drive

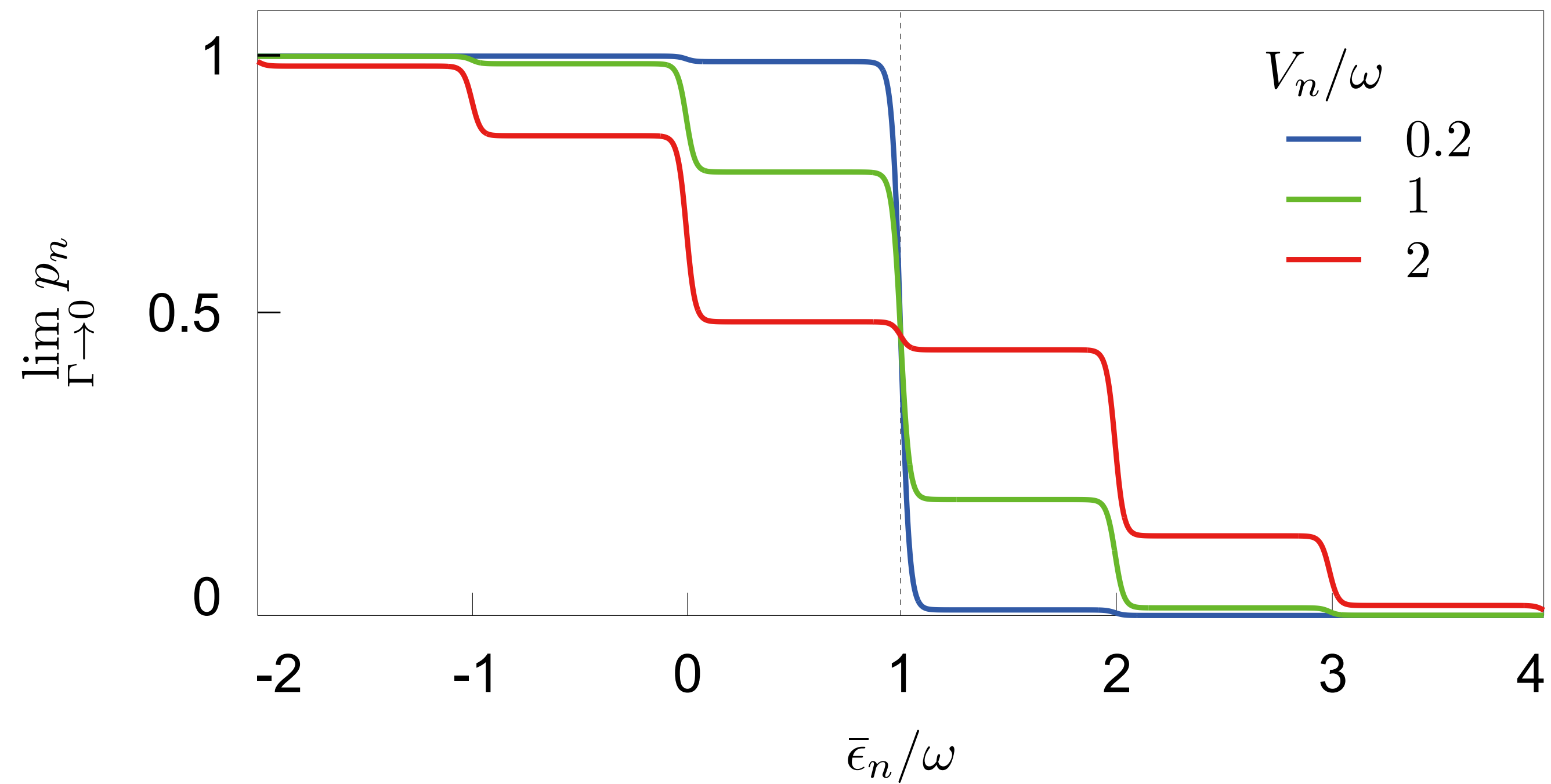
$$\langle \chi_n | H_S(t) | \chi_m \rangle = \delta_{nm} [\epsilon_n + V_n(t)] = \delta_{nm} \epsilon_n(t), \quad V_n(t) = V_n \cos[\omega(t - t_0)]$$

$$\lim_{\Gamma \rightarrow 0} p_n = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} J_l^2(V_n/\omega) f_0(\bar{\epsilon}_n + l\omega)$$

Bessel functions

Staircase occupation

$$\lim_{\Gamma \rightarrow 0} p_n = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} J_l^2(V_n/\omega) f_0(\bar{\epsilon}_n + l\omega)$$



Quantum oscillations

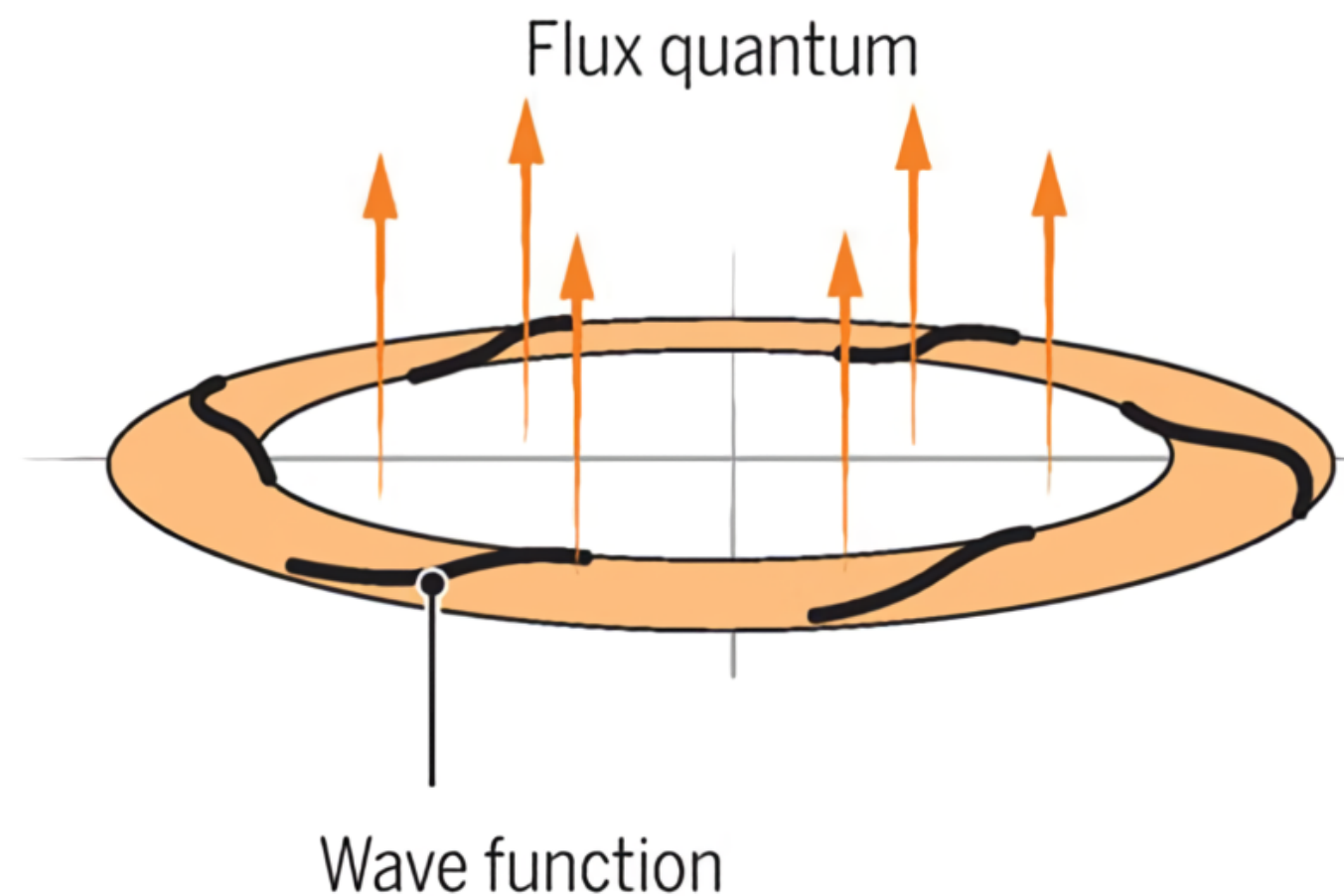
is a powerful way measure the size of the Fermi surface.

Magnetically driven electrons

Conduction electrons in a solid are driven in cyclotron orbits by applied magnetic fields. The quantum states that result are illustrated

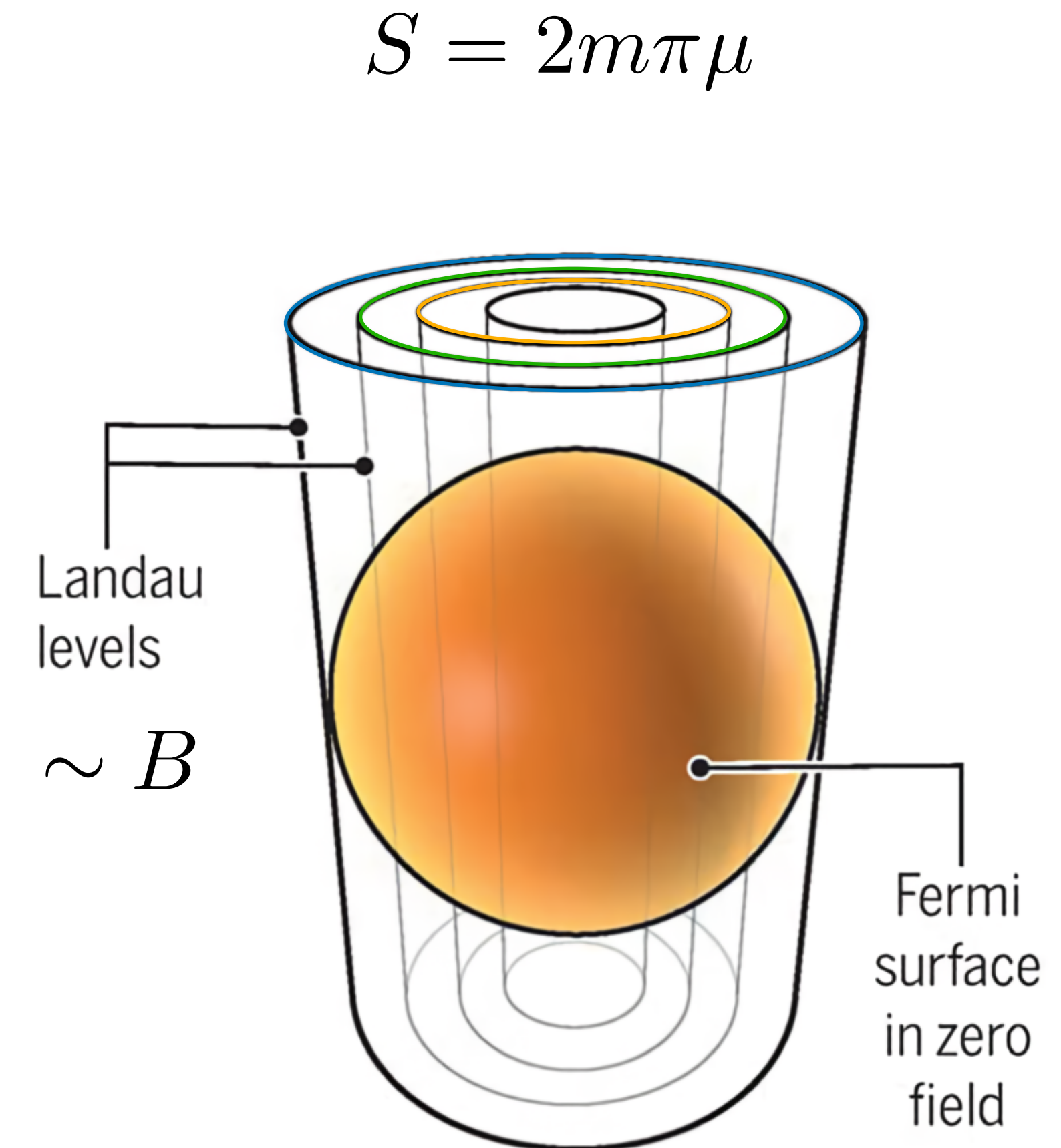
Real-space orbits

An allowed cyclotron orbit enclosing six flux quanta (arrows). Equivalently, the wave function (thick curve) winds six times to complete the orbit.



Momentum-space levels

Nested cylinders representing allowed states in momentum (\mathbf{k}) space. The outermost cylinder is on the verge of emptying.



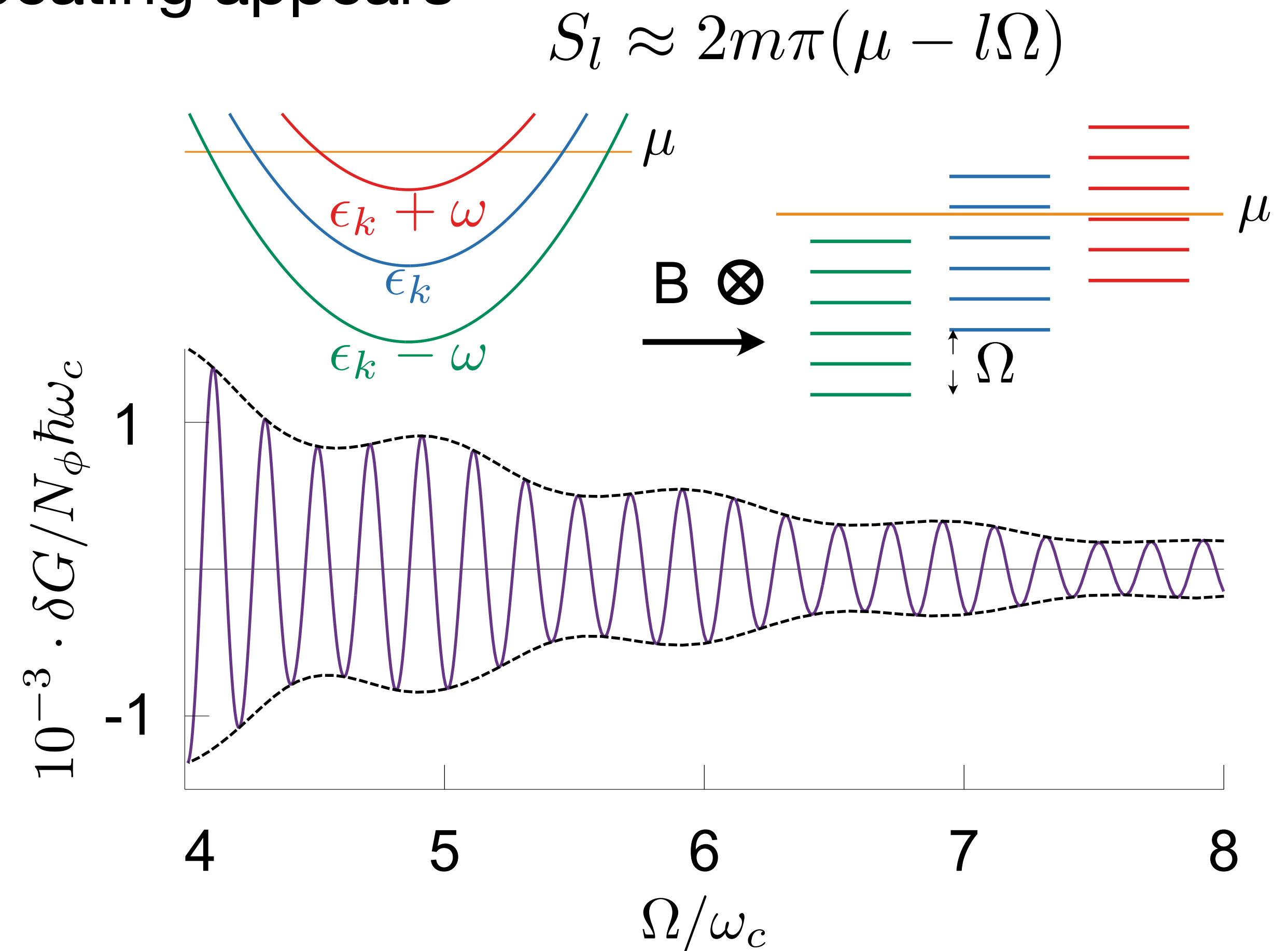
Quantum oscillations

when we have multiple Fermi surfaces, beating appears

$$\text{Quantum oscillation} \sim \cos\left(\frac{2m\pi\mu}{\omega_c}\right)$$

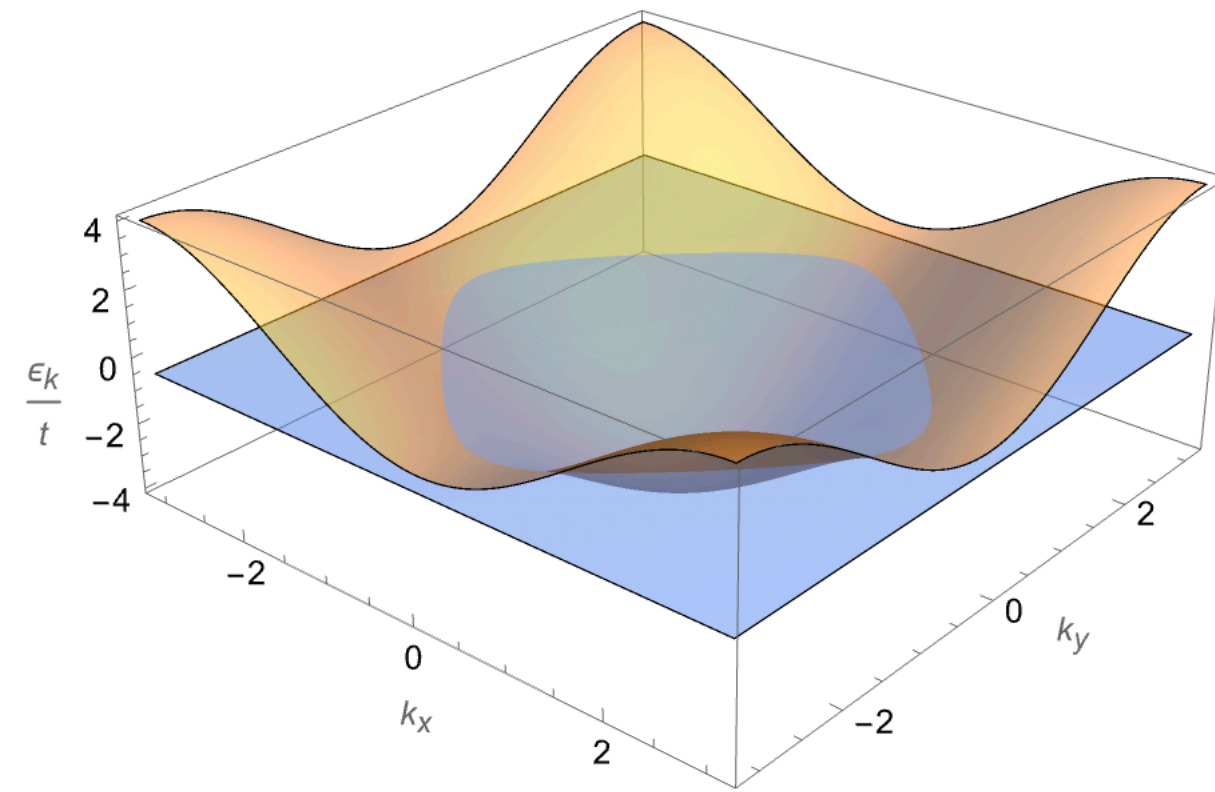
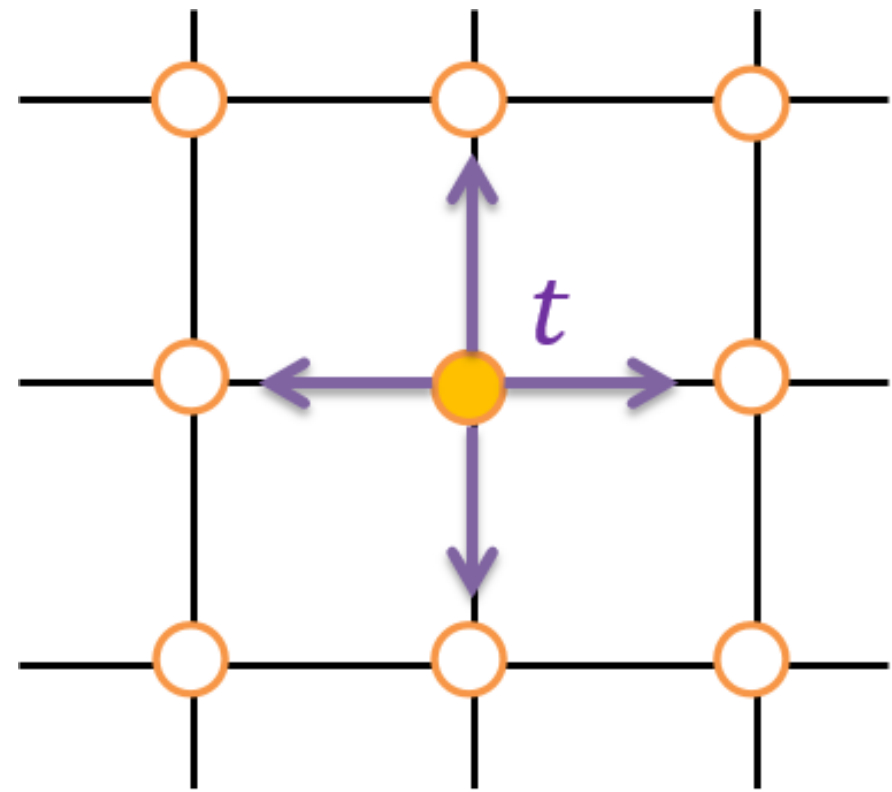
$$\text{Beating} \sim \cos\left(\frac{2m\pi\Omega}{\omega_c}\right)$$

$$\text{Cyclotron frequency } \omega_c \sim B$$

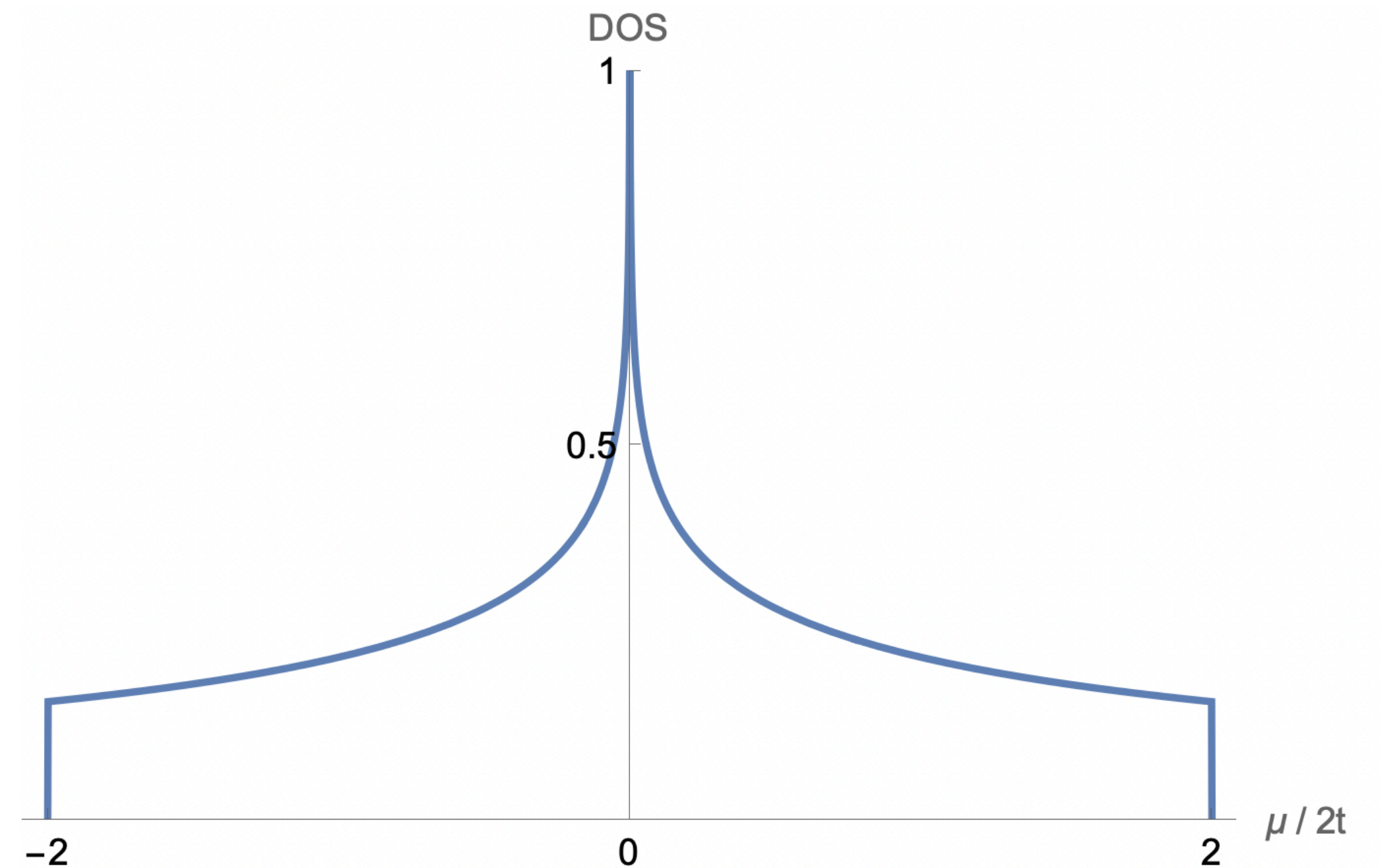
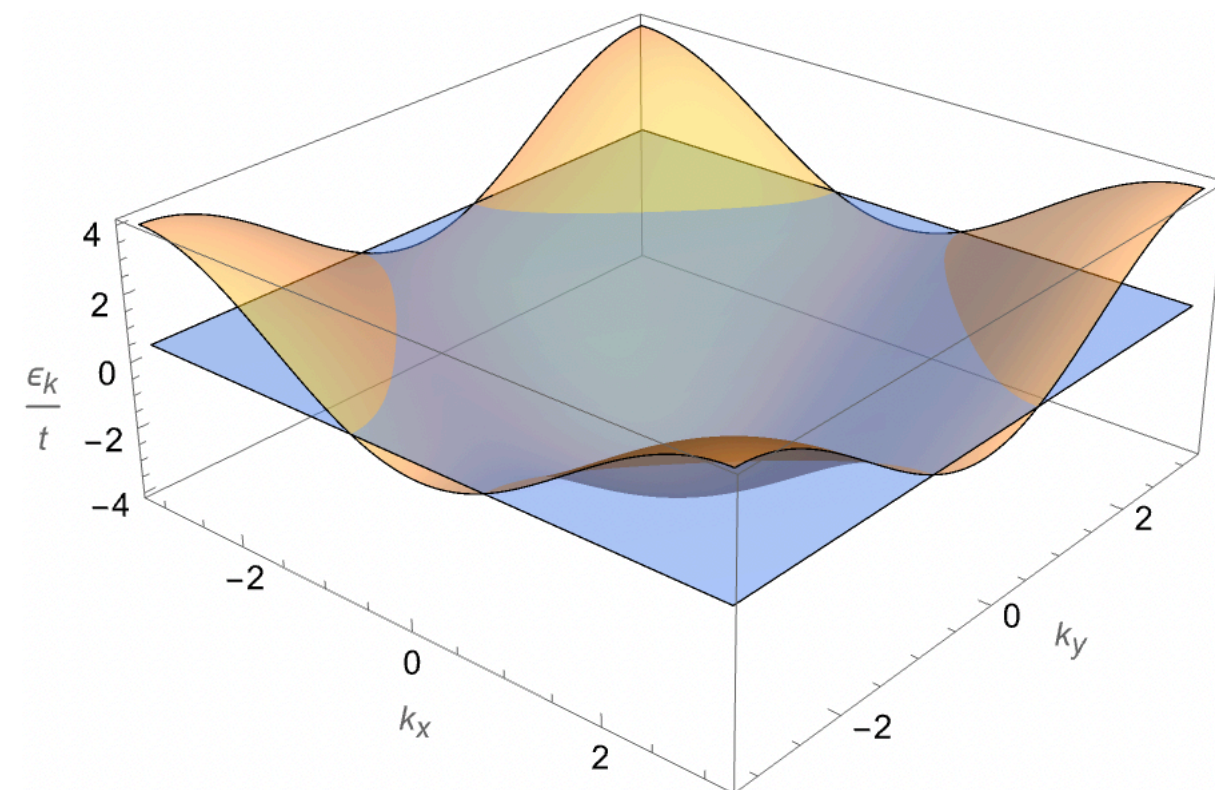
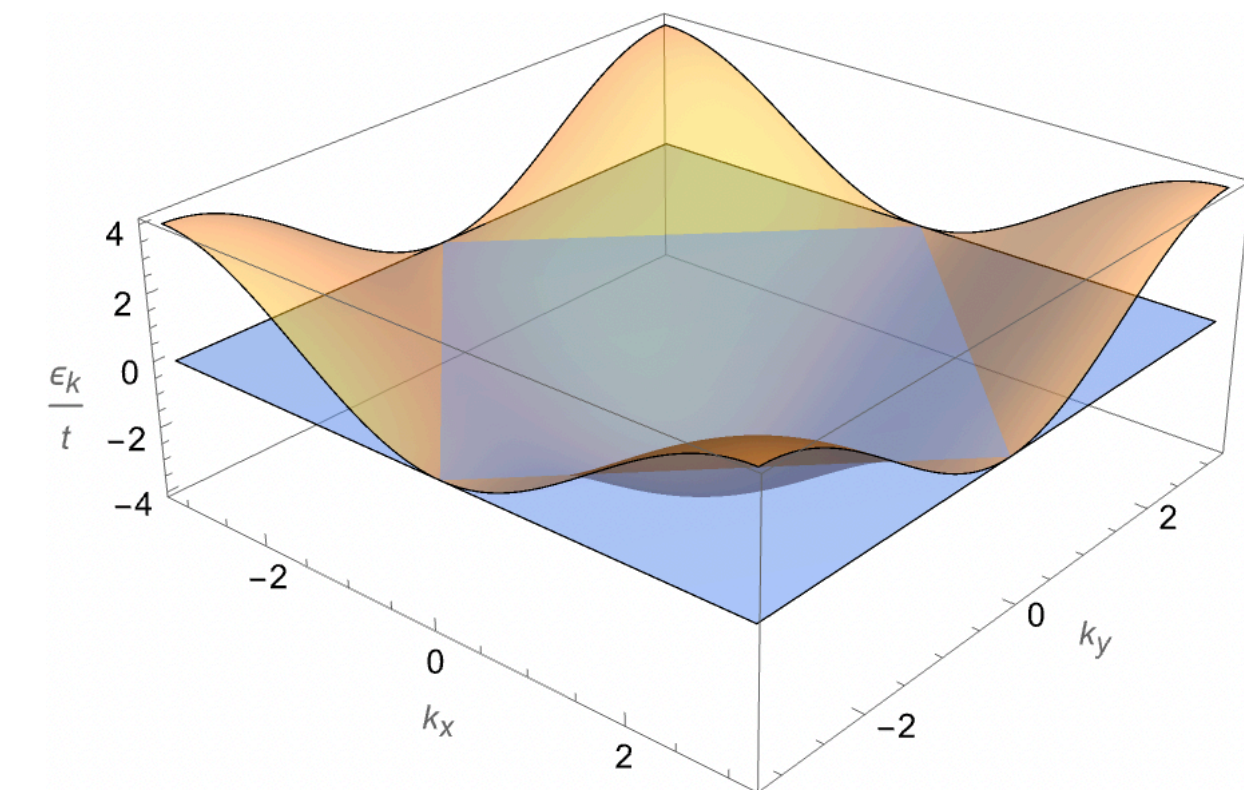


non-equilibrium van-Hove singularities

van-Hove singularities usually appear when the Fermi surface has “kinks”

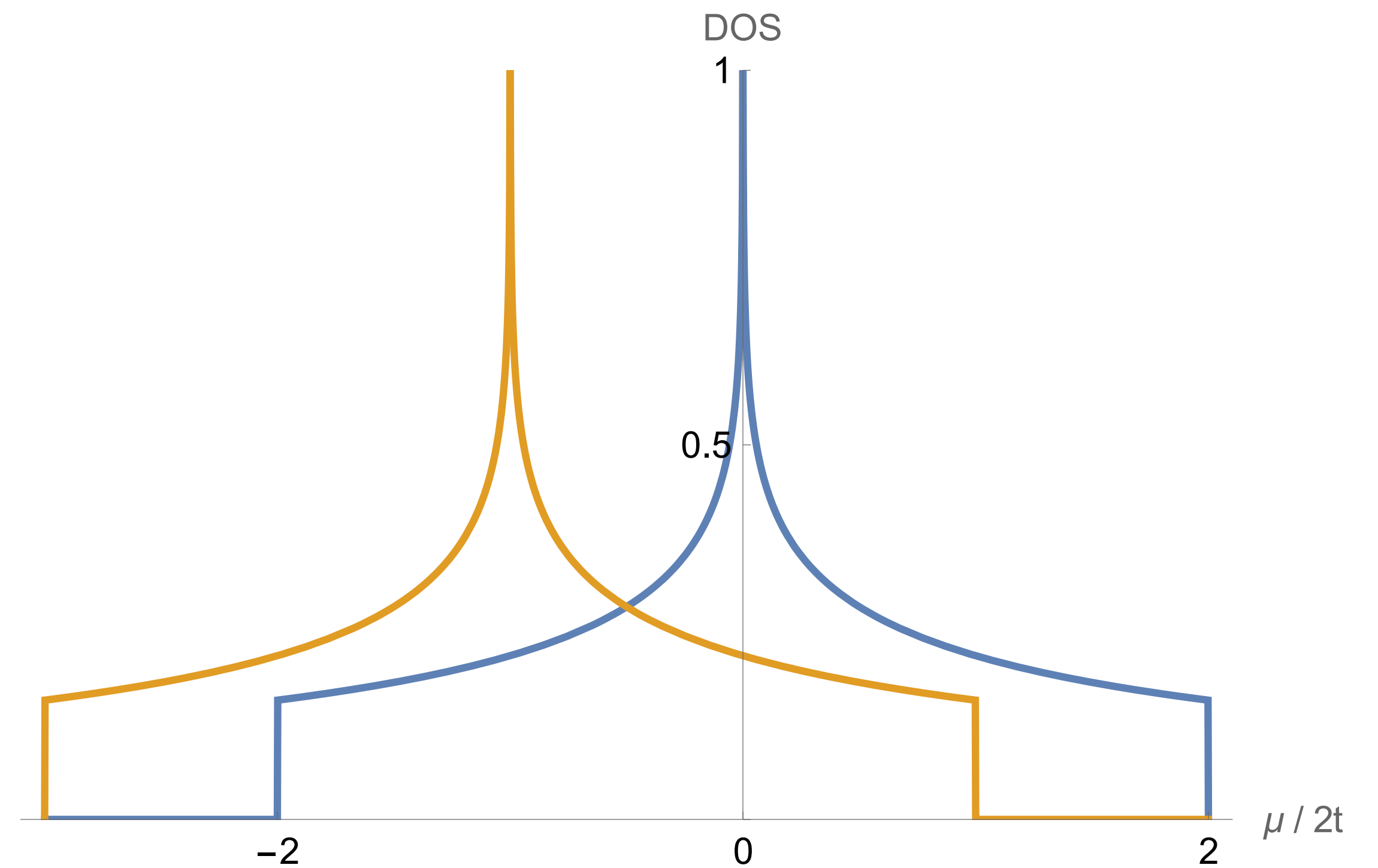
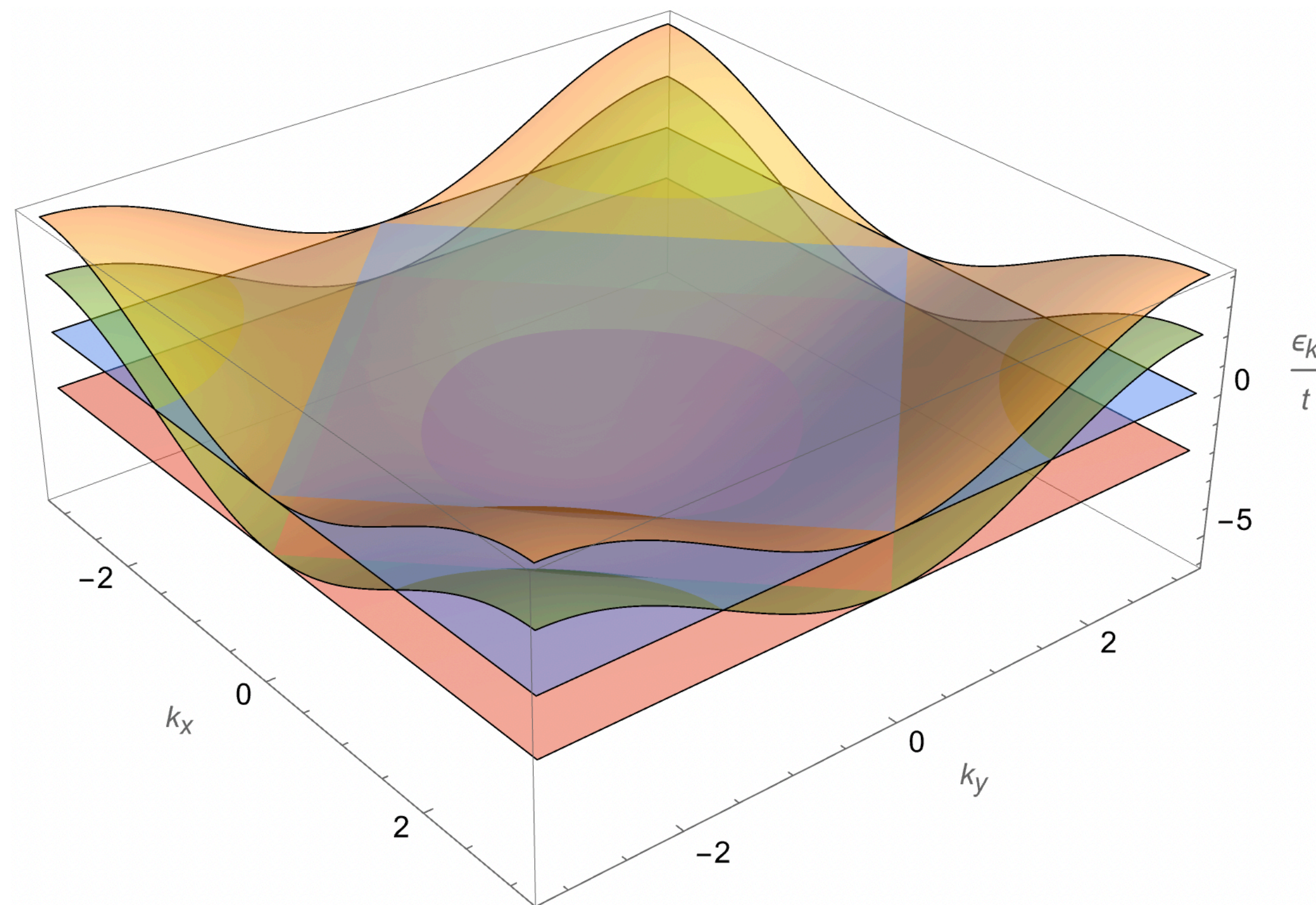


$$\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} = -2t \cos(k_x) - 2t \cos(k_y)$$



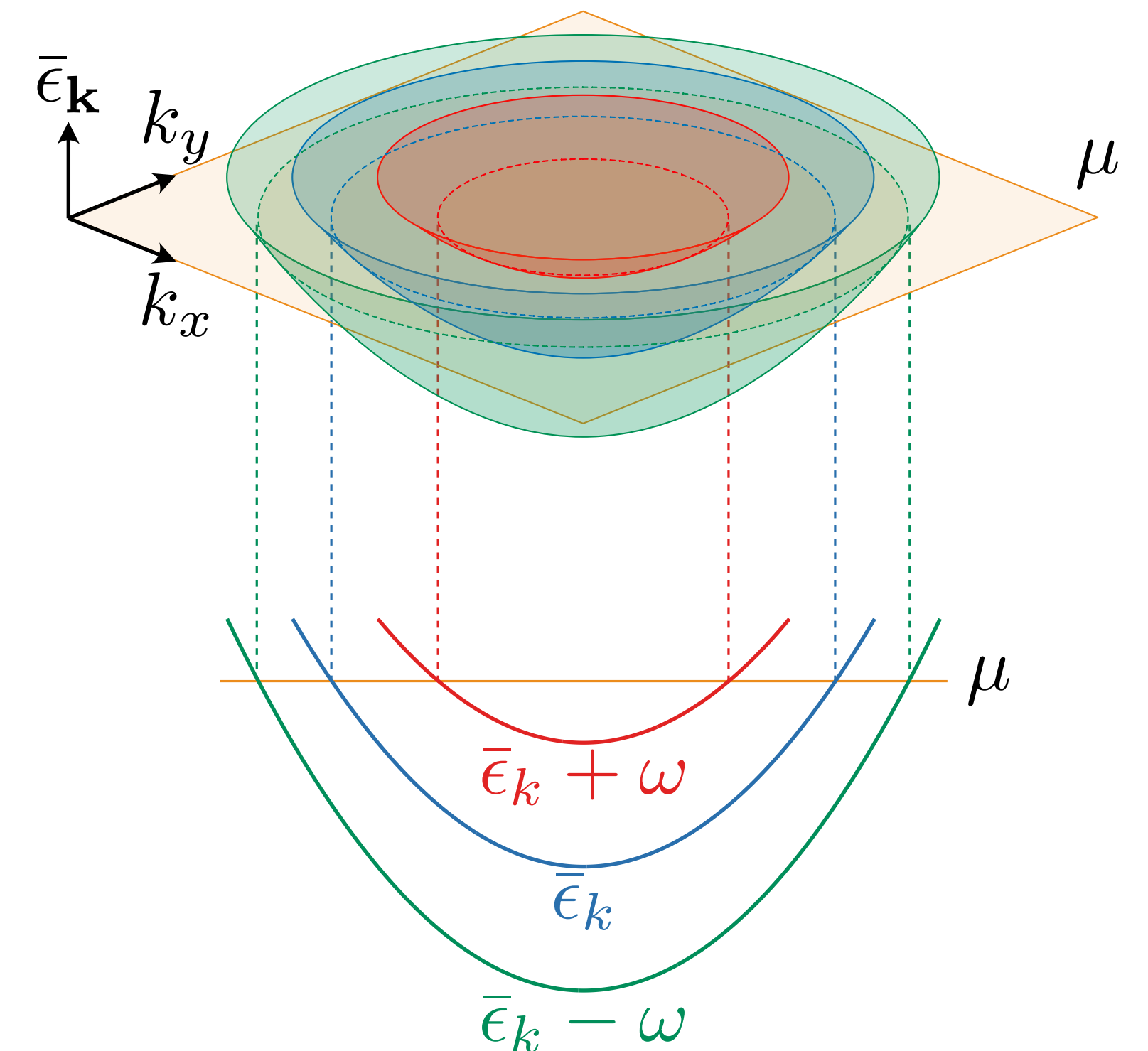
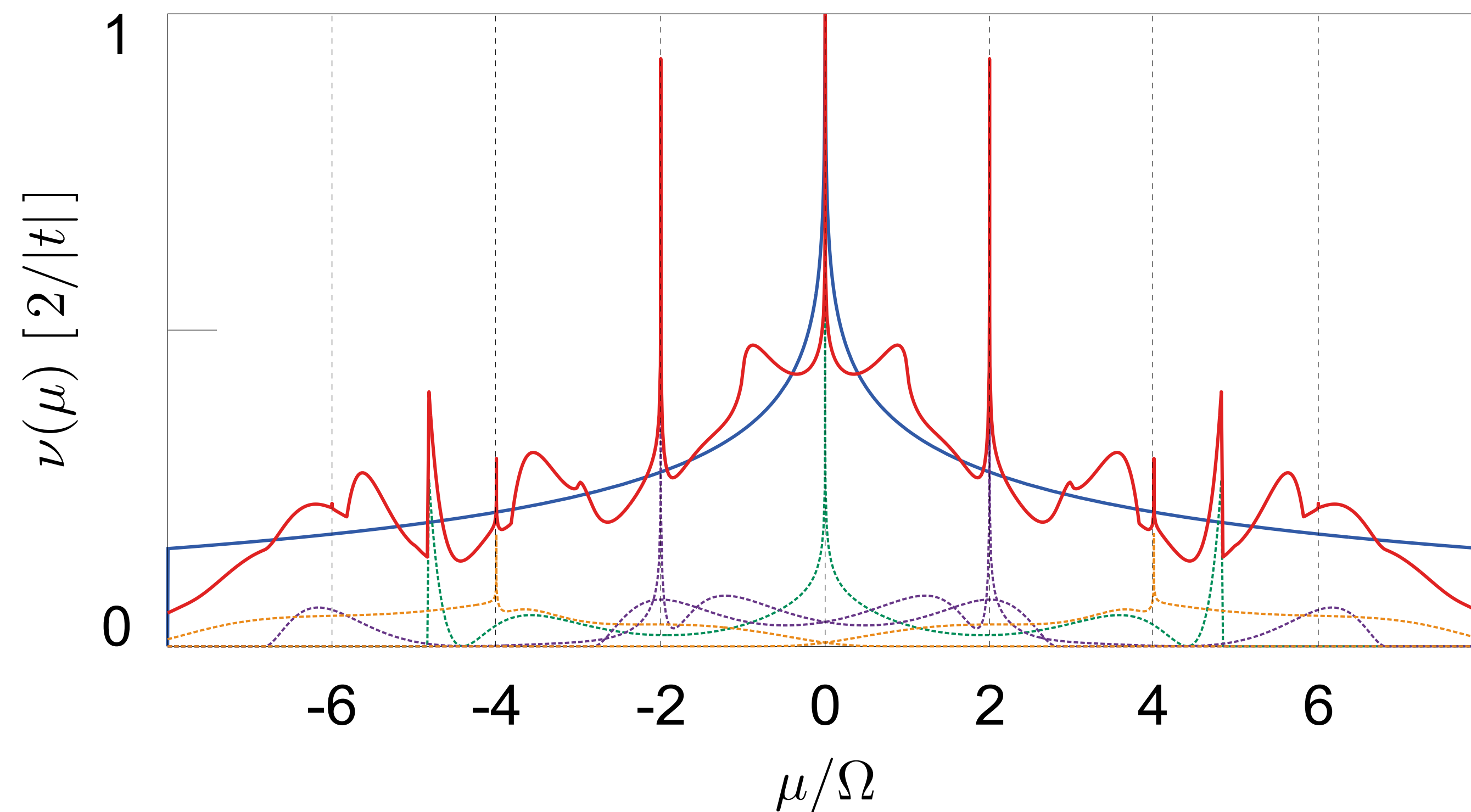
non-equilibrium van-Hove singularities

if we have multiple bands, we could have more van-Hove singularities



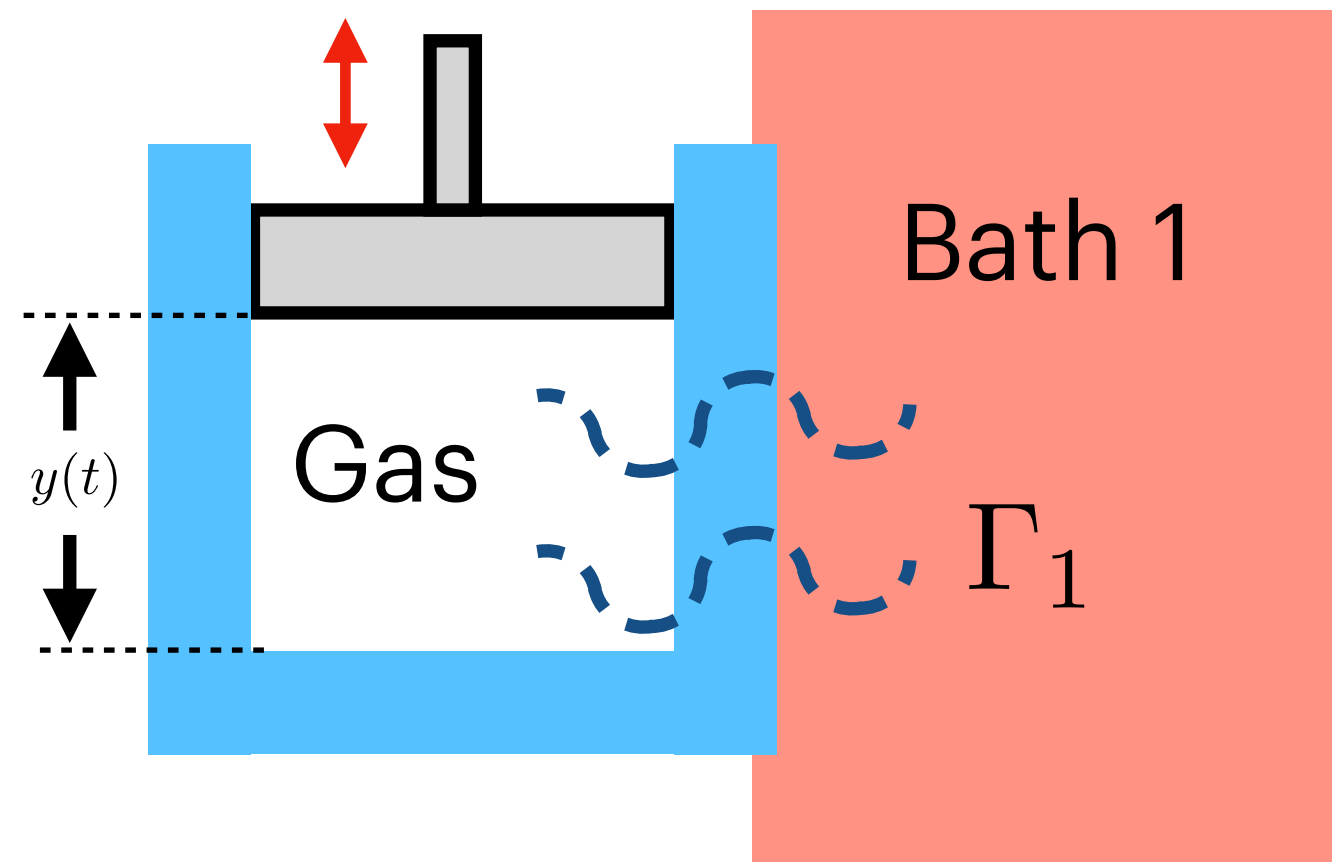
non-equilibrium van-Hove singularities

Additional van-Hove singularities appear when additional Fermi surfaces appear



Extra & ongoing

The nature of bath matters away from equilibrium

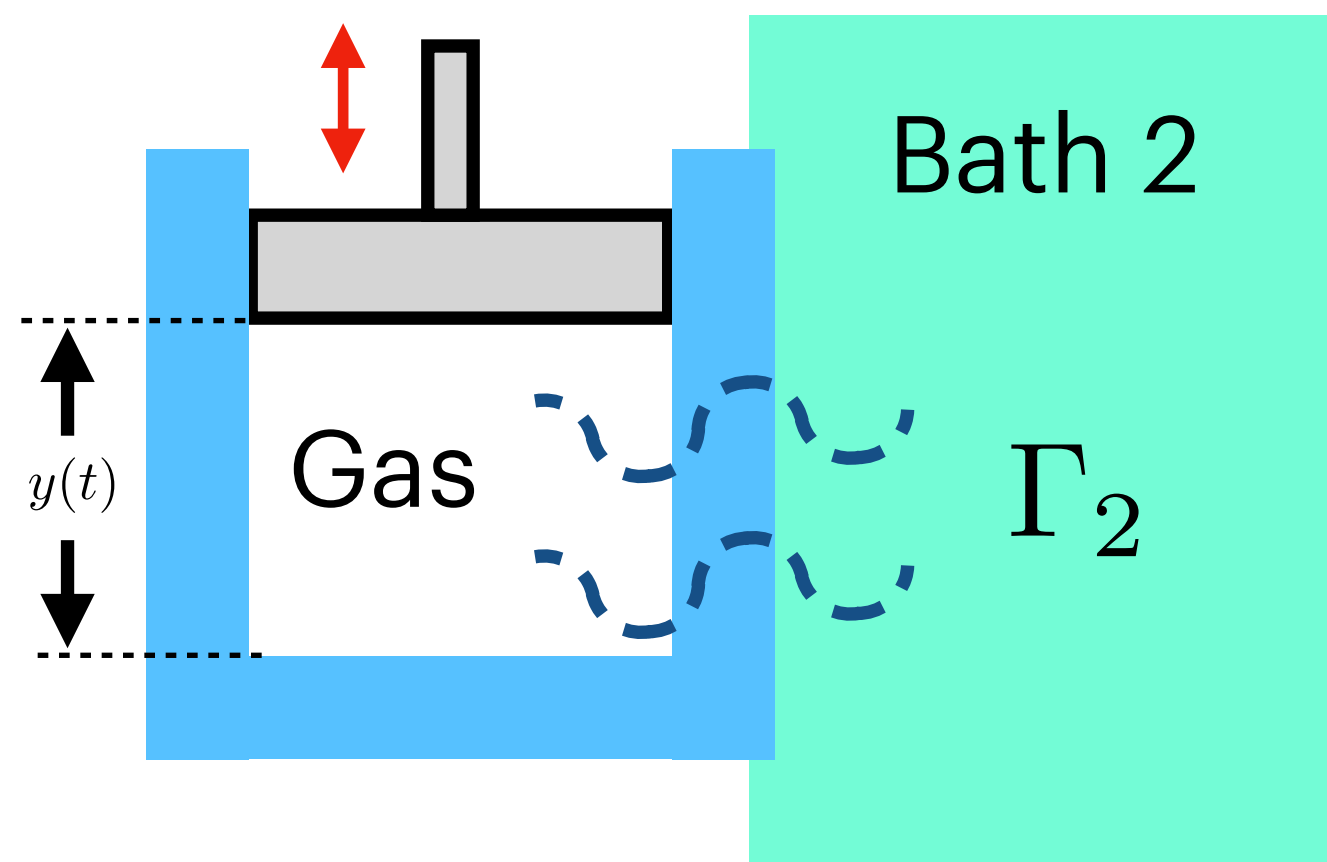


In equilibrium in limit of weak coupling to baths, nature of bath does not matter

$$\Gamma_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad \Gamma_2 \rightarrow 0$$

$$\rho_{\text{equil}}^{(1)} = \rho_{\text{equil}}^{(2)} = \frac{e^{-\beta H}}{Z}$$

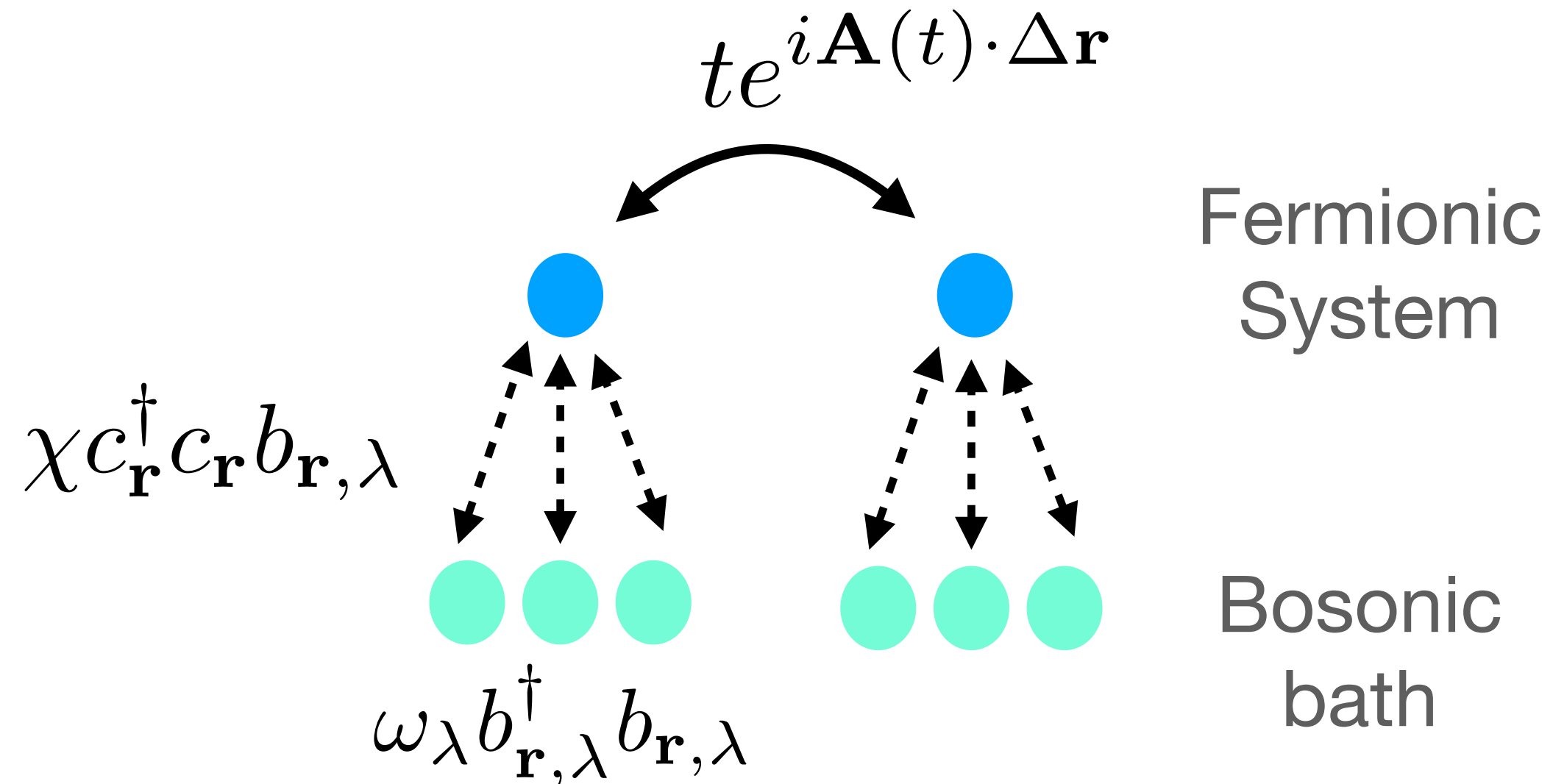
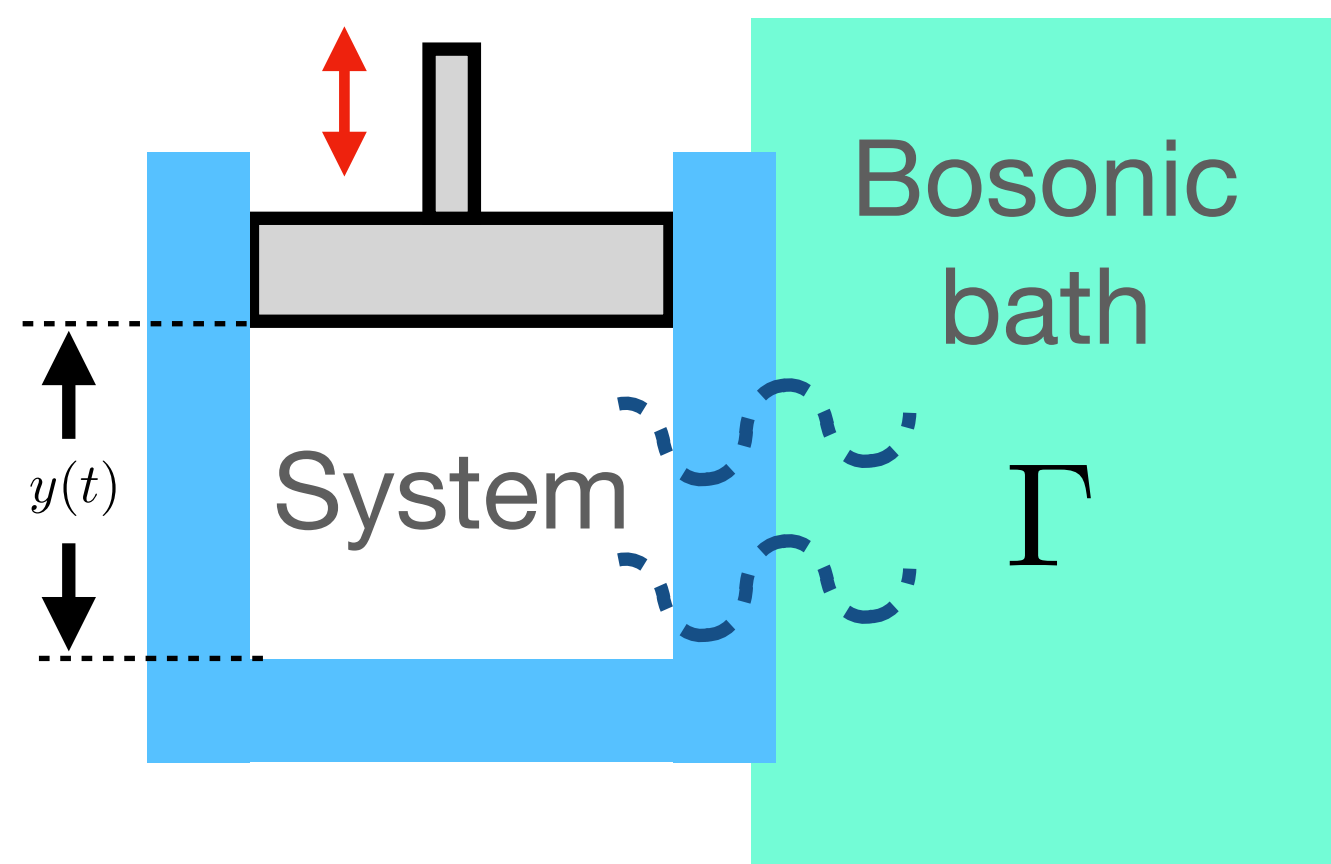
In **non-equilibrium** even in limit of weak coupling to baths, **nature of bath matters** for the steady state



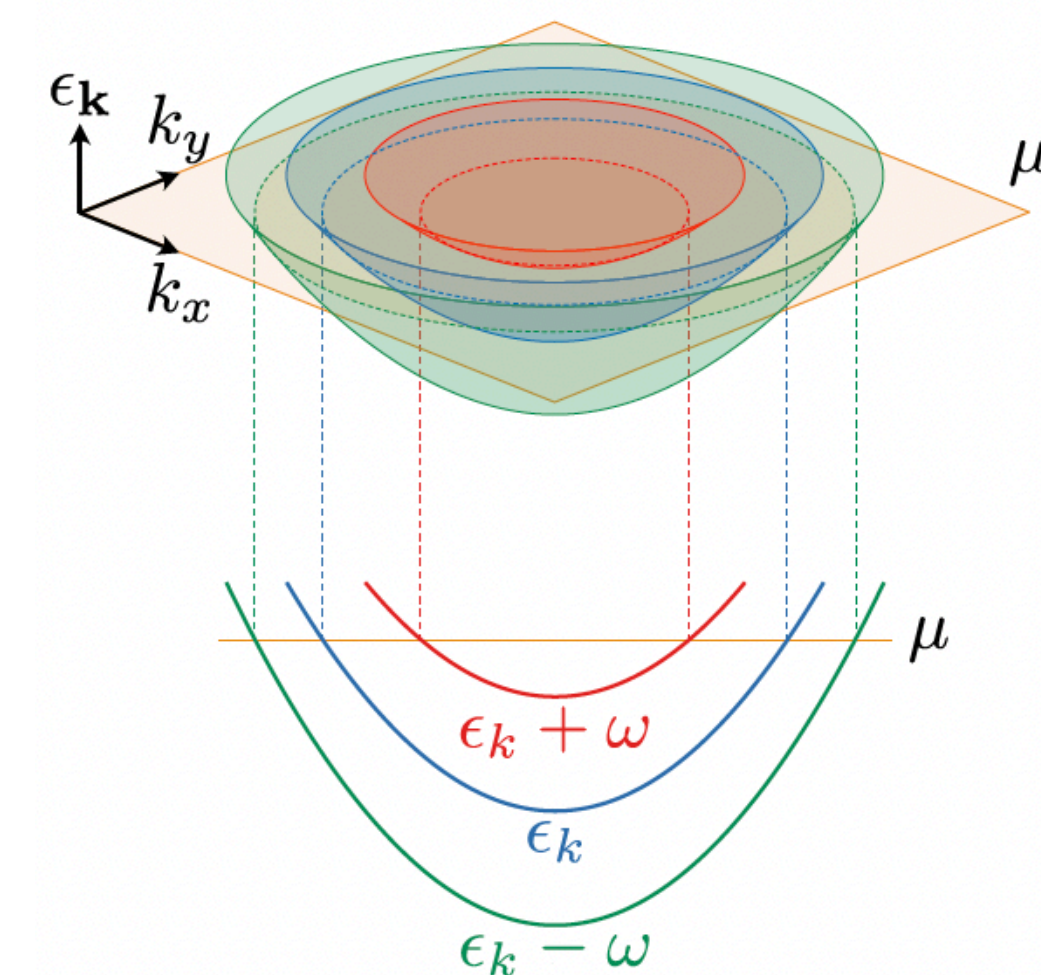
$$\rho_{\text{non-eq.}}^{(1)}(t) \neq \rho_{\text{non-eq.}}^{(2)}(t)$$

Floquet Non-Fermi Liquid for ideal bosonic baths

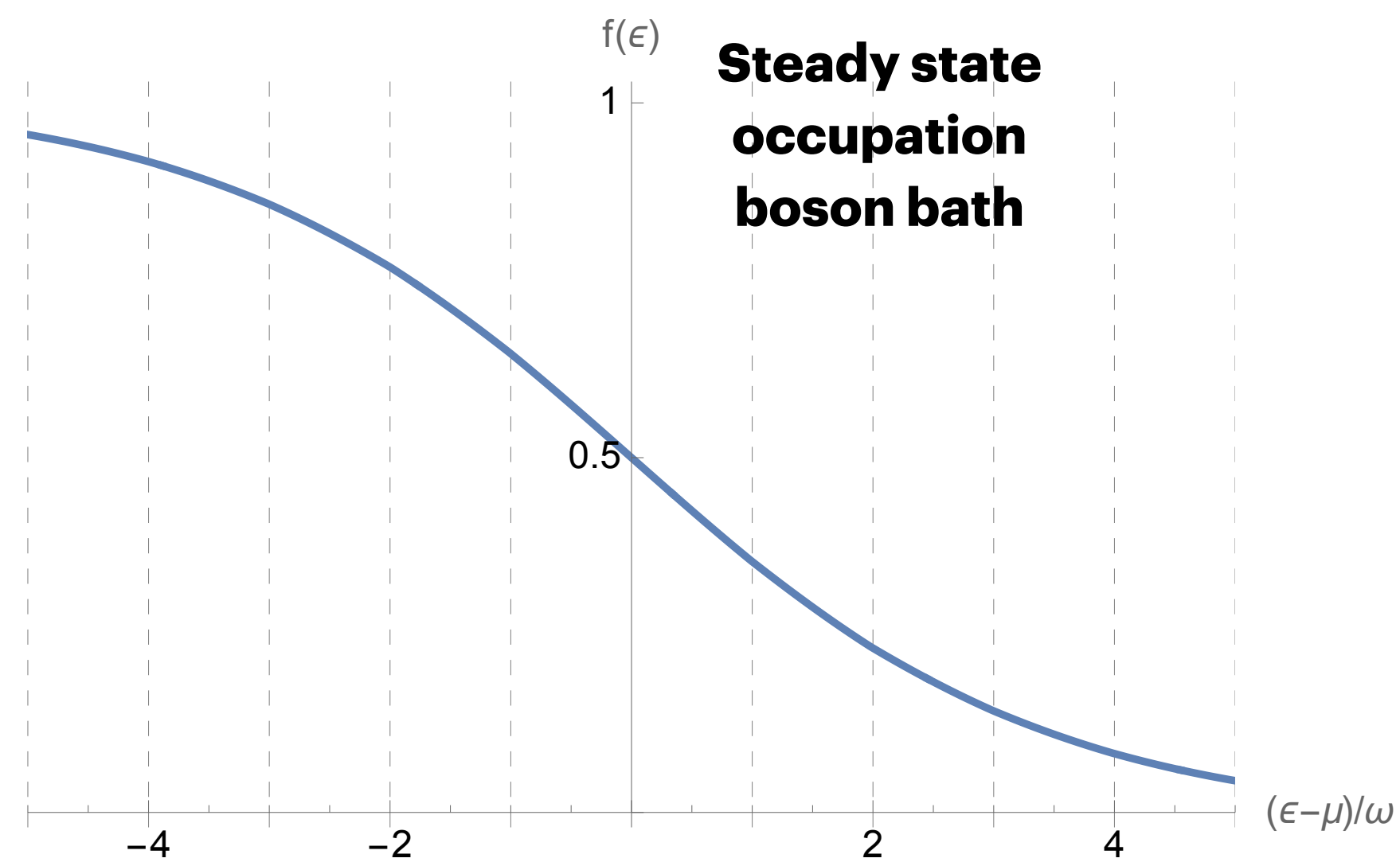
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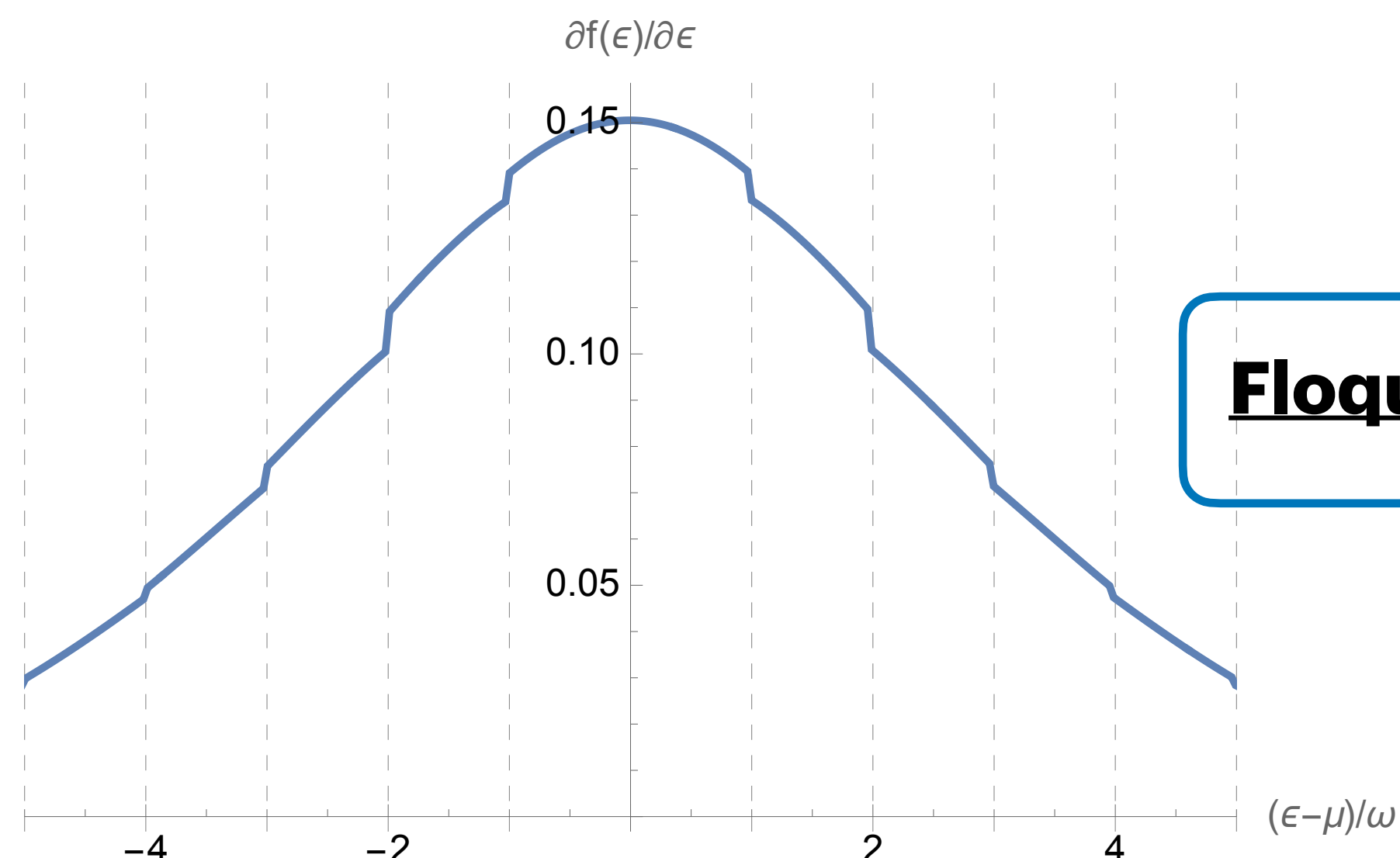
No quasiparticle jump, but sharp fermi surfaces !



Fermi Dirac staircase disappears



Derivative of occupation has discontinuities



Floquet Non-Fermi liquid State

Summary

- the Floquet Fermi liquid is a periodic, non-equilibrium state for fermions
- the Floquet Fermi liquid has many fermi surfaces and thus exotic properties
- the nature of bath matters

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