Understanding the interplay between charge, spin and phonons in the spectral properties of the 1D Hubbard-Holstein model

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