Keldysh approach to periodically driven systems with fermionic bath: non-equilibrium steady state, proximity effect, and interaction instabilities

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