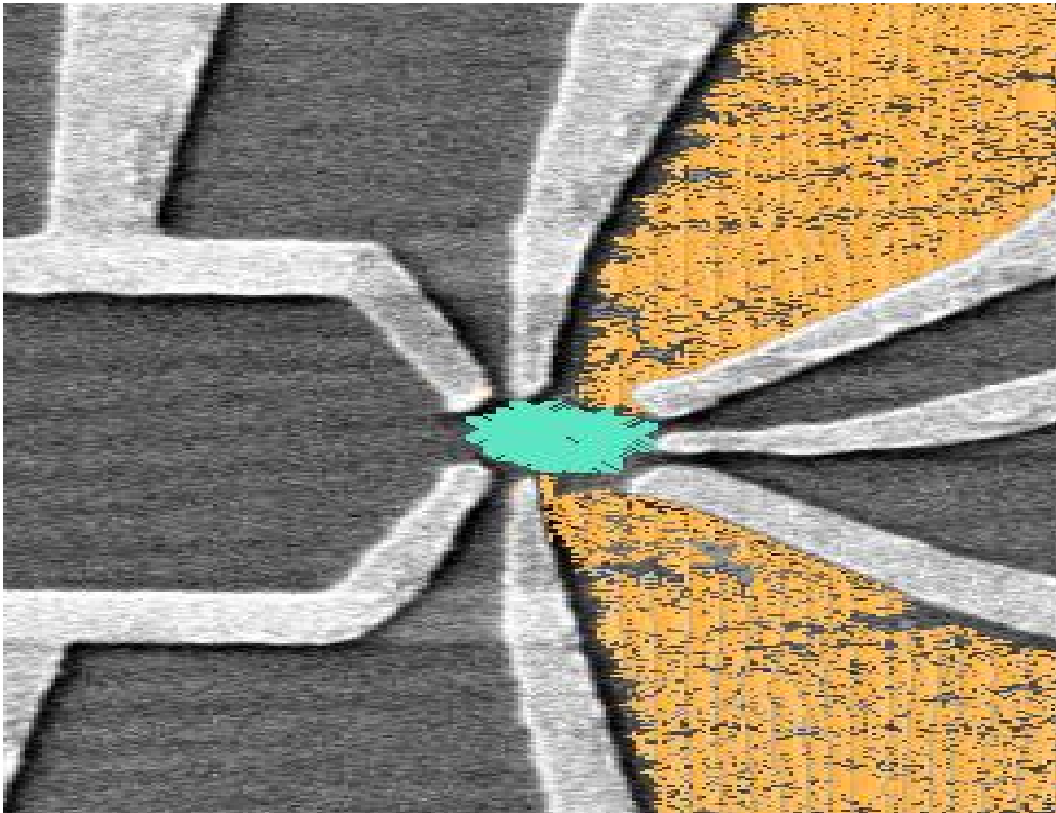
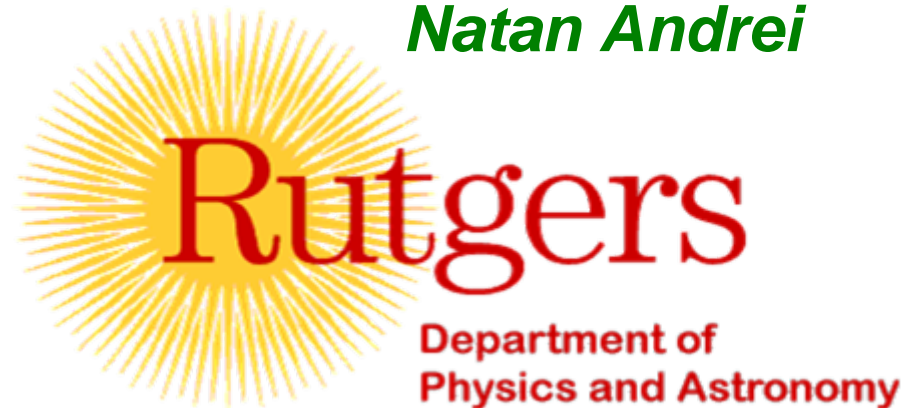


# Quantum Impurities Out of Equilibrium



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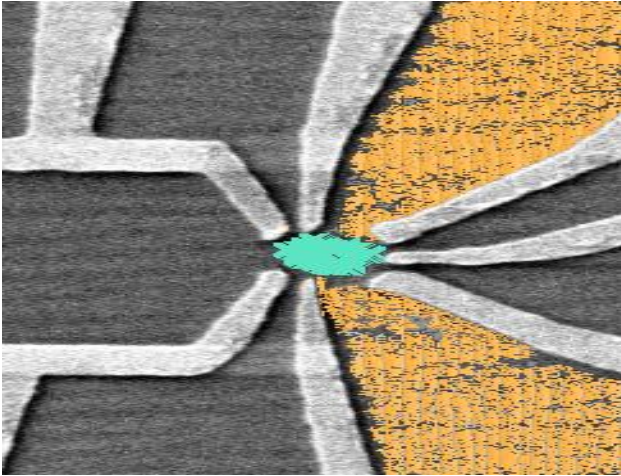
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# Quantum Impurities out-of-Equilibrium

- **The quantum impurity - experimentally:** Goldhaber-Gordon *et al*, Conenwett *et al*, Schmid *et al*

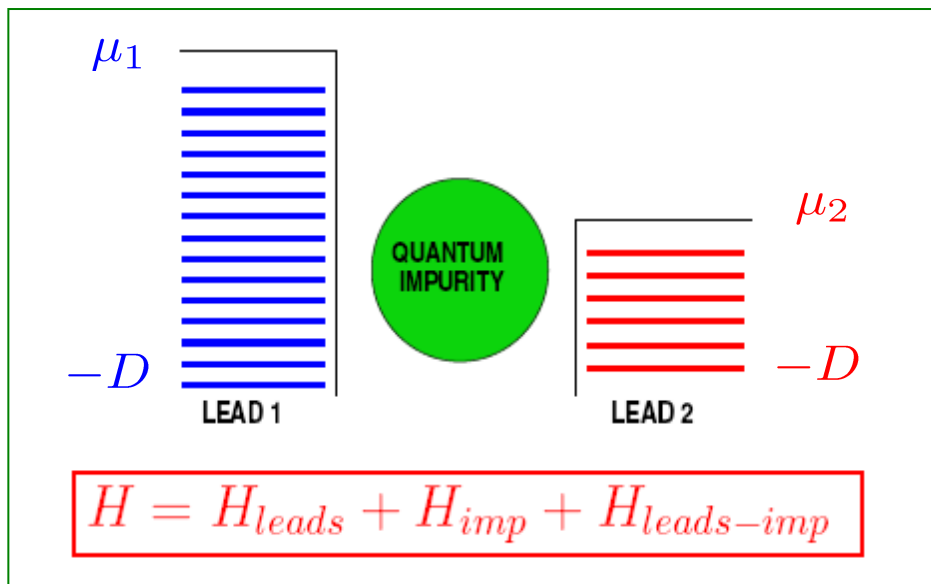


- Couple impurity to leads with  $\mu_1 \neq \mu_2$
- Non-equil steady state (NESS) is established:
  - current's flow is time independent (after transients)
- Measure non-equil current in steady state

$$I = I(V, T), \quad V = \mu_1 - \mu_2$$

- **The quantum impurity - theoretically:**

- How to compute  $I = I(V, T)$ ?



**Leads = Fermi seas,  $i=1,2$**

$$H_{leads} = \sum_{i,k} \epsilon_k c_{i\vec{k}}^\dagger c_{i\vec{k}}$$

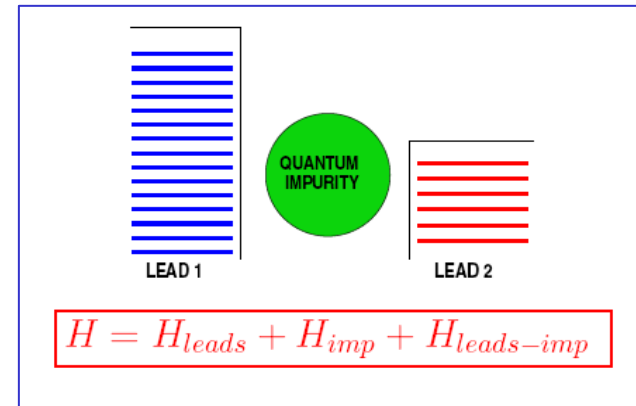
**Non-equilibrium**

$$V = \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0$$

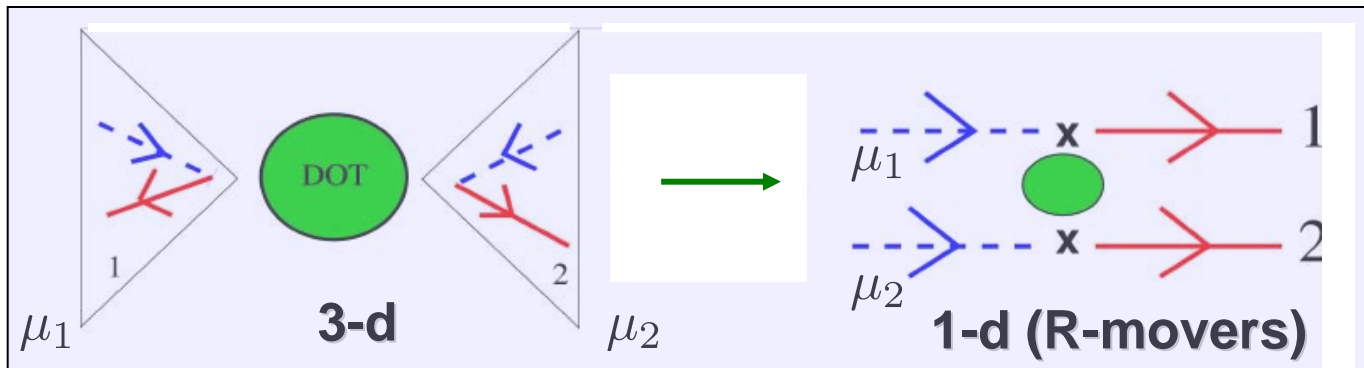
# Quantum Impurity Hamiltonian (3d → 1d)

## Impurity Hamiltonian (3d):

$$H^{3d} = \sum_{j=1,2} \sum_{\vec{k}} \epsilon_k c_{j\vec{k}a}^\dagger c_{j\vec{k}a} + t \sum_{j=1,2} \sum_{\vec{k}} (c_{j\vec{k}a}^\dagger d_a + h.c.) + H_{imp}$$



Unfold 3d Hamiltonian → 1d field theory:



$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{i\epsilon a} &\equiv \int d^3k \delta(\epsilon_{\vec{k}} - \epsilon) c_{i\vec{k}a} \\ \{\psi_{i\epsilon a}, \psi_{j\epsilon' b}^\dagger\} &= \delta_{ab} \delta_{ij} \delta(\epsilon - \epsilon') \nu(\epsilon) \\ \psi_{ia}(x) &= \int_{-D}^D \frac{d\epsilon}{\sqrt{\nu}} e^{i\epsilon x} \psi_{i\epsilon a} \end{aligned}$$

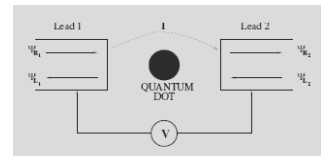
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Field Theory of chiral electrons (R-movers): ( $\nu = 1/2\pi$ ,  $v_F = 1$ ,  $D \rightarrow \infty$ )

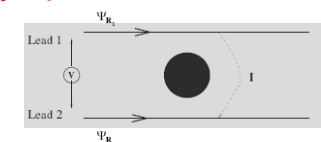
## Impurity Hamiltonian (1d): Low-energy universality

$$H^{1d} = -i \sum_{j=1,2} \int \psi_{ja}^\dagger \partial \psi_{ja} dx + t \sum_{j=1,2} (\psi_{ja}^\dagger(0) d_a + h.c.) + H_{imp}$$

The Quantum Impurity:



The Quantum Impurity unfolded:



# Non-equilibrium: Time-dependent Description

Given  $H$  - how to set up the non-equilibrium problem?

- Keldysh** {
- $t \leq t_0$ , leads decoupled, system described by:  $\rho_0$
  - $t = t_0$ , couple leads to impurity
  - $t \geq t_0$ , evolve with  $H(t) = H_0 + e^{\eta t} H_1$

Description of Nonequilibrium requires two elements:  $H, \rho_0$  or  $H, H_0$ ; Equilibrium requires only  $H$ .

For  $T > 0$ :

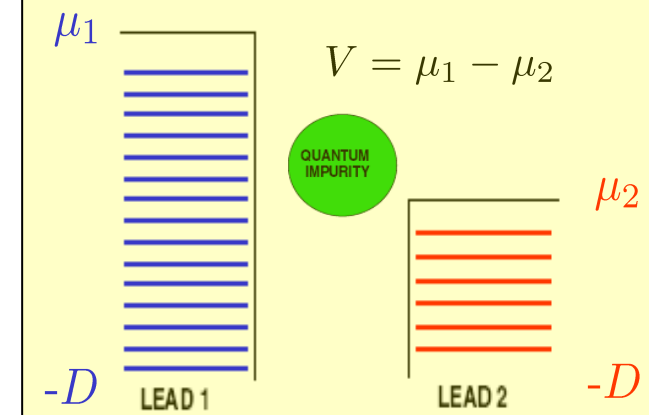
1. initial condition:  $\rho_0$
2. evolution:  $U(t, t_0) = T\{e^{-i \int_{t_0}^t dt' H(t')}\}$
3. density matrix:  $\rho(t) = U(t, t_0) \rho_0 U^\dagger(t, t_0)$
4. non equil value:  $\langle \hat{O}(t) \rangle = \text{Tr}\{\rho(t) \hat{O}\}$

For  $T = 0$ :

1. initial condition:  $|\phi_0, V\rangle$
2. evolution:  $U(t, t_0) = T\{e^{-i \int_{t_0}^t dt' H(t')}\}$
3. evolved state:  $|\psi(t)\rangle_V = U(t, t_0) |\phi_0, V\rangle$
4. non-equil value:  $\langle \hat{O}(t) \rangle_V = \langle \psi(t) | \hat{O} | \psi(t) \rangle_V$

**The initial condition at  $T=0$ :**

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\phi_0\rangle &= |\phi_0, V\rangle \\
 &= |\text{bath1}\rangle \otimes |\text{bath2}\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$



# The Steady State (open system limit)

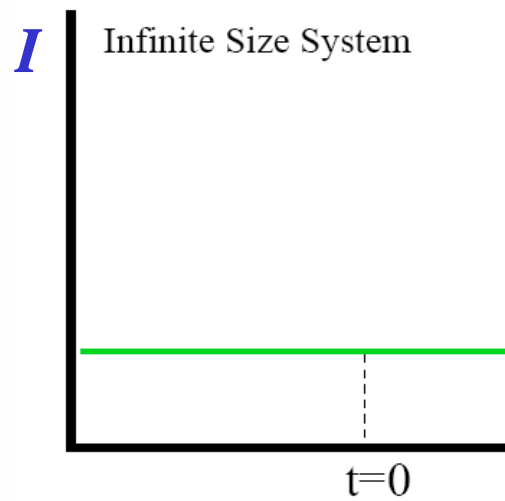
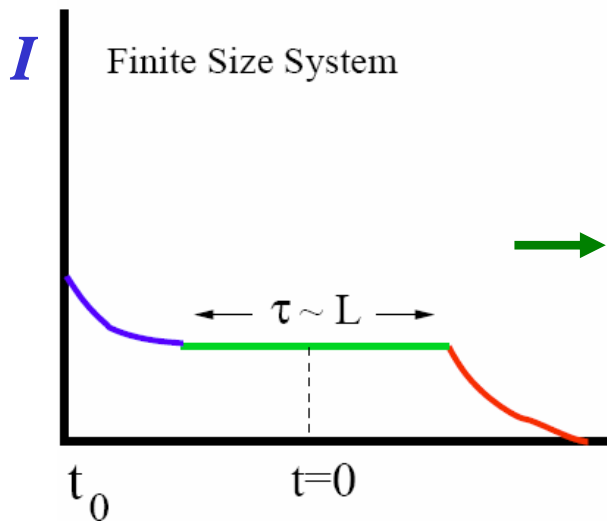
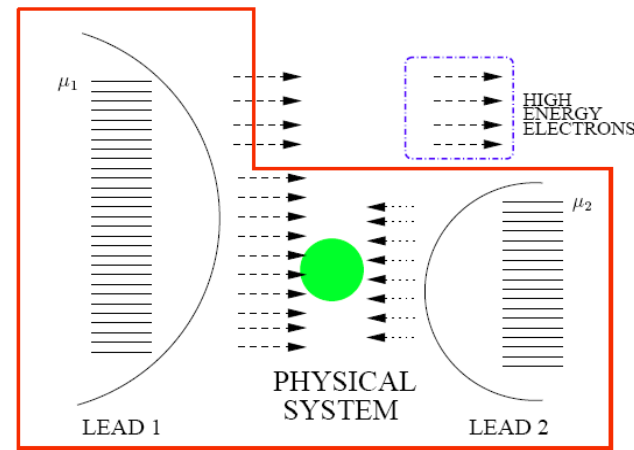
## Non-equilibrium steady states (NESS): when do they occur?

- Leads good thermal baths, infinite volume limit - open system

$\Rightarrow \exists \lim_{t_0 \rightarrow -\infty}$ , no IR divergences,  $\frac{1}{L} \ll \frac{1}{|t_0|} \ll \eta \rightarrow 0$  (B Doyon, NA, PRB '05)  
(order by order in P.T.)

### Open system limit :

- Dissipation mechanism
- Time-reversal sym. breaking
- Steady-state non- eq. currents



**A steady state ensues**

$$\langle \hat{O}(t) \rangle = \langle \hat{O} \rangle$$

# The Steady State – time independent description

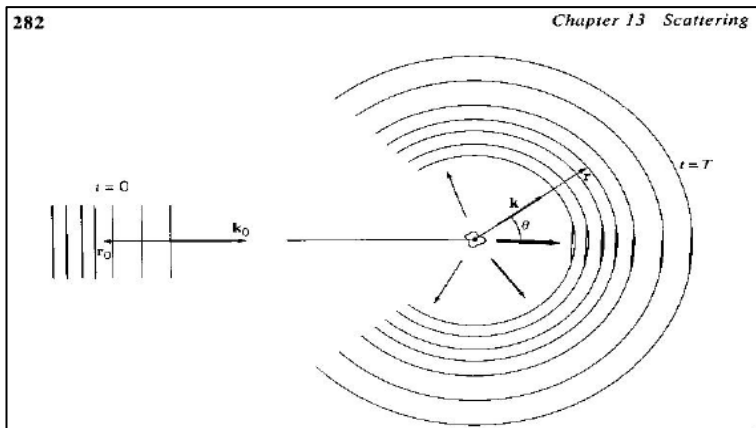
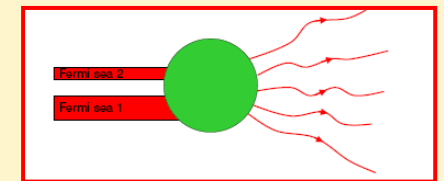
The open system limit  $\frac{1}{L} \ll \frac{1}{|t_o|} \ll \eta \rightarrow 0$ :

→  $|\psi, V\rangle_s = U(0, -\infty)|\phi_o, V\rangle$  a well defined state.

## Properties:

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- $|\psi, V\rangle_s$  eigenstate of  $H = H_0 + H_1$  (Gellman-Low thm)
- Lippmann-Schwinger equation,  $|\phi_o, V\rangle$  -boundary condition
 
$$|\psi, V\rangle_s = z|\phi_o, V\rangle + \frac{1}{E - H_0 + i\eta} H_1 |\psi, V\rangle_s$$
- $|\phi_o, V\rangle$  : Initial condition → boundary condition
- $|\psi, V\rangle_s$  scattering state - eigenstate on the infinite line



from Merzbacher:  $\psi(x)$  eigenstate of

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} p^2 + V(x)$$

with incoming boundary condition

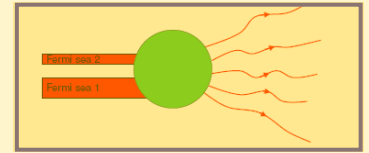
$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \phi_o(x) = e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}}$$

(Both  $H, H_0$  enter description)

# The Non-equilibrium Steady State

- Non-equilibrium  $T=0$  steady state is described by:

$$|\psi, V\rangle_s =$$



- Non-equilibrium value:

$$\langle O \rangle_s = \langle \psi, V | O | \psi, V \rangle_s$$

- For  $T=0$ ,  $|\phi_0, V\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{L-S}} |\psi, V\rangle_s$   $|\phi_0, V\rangle$  g.s. of  $H_0 - \sum_i \mu_i N_i$
- Generally,  $|\phi_n, V\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{L-S}} |\psi_n, V\rangle_s$  where  $|\phi_n\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_0^{\perp, V}$
- For  $T>0$ , "free leads" boundary conditions:  $p_n^0 = e^{-\beta E_n^0} / Z_0$

$$\rho_0 = \sum_n p_n^0 |\phi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n| \longrightarrow \rho_s = \sum_n p_n^0 |\psi_n\rangle \langle \psi_n|_s$$

and:  $\langle \hat{O} \rangle_s = \text{Tr} \rho_s \hat{O}$

In steady state -  $\exists$  "non-thermal" density operator!

cf. Hershfield '93

- In equilibrium:  $\rho_0 \rightarrow \rho_s = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H}$  (Keldysh  $\rightarrow$  Boltzmann)

Doyon, N.A. '05

# Steady-states & Scattering States

- Time-dependent (Keldysh) vs. time-independent approach (Scattering)

$$I(V) = \langle \phi_o, V | U^\dagger(0, -\infty) \hat{I} U(0, -\infty) | \phi_o, V \rangle \equiv \langle T_c e^{-i \int_{-\infty}^0 H(t') dt'} \hat{I}(0) \rangle$$



-Keldysh approach

-Scattering approach

$$= \langle \psi, V | \hat{I} | \psi, V \rangle_s \leftarrow \text{[Diagram of a scattering state: a green circle with two red lines entering from the left and several red lines radiating outwards to the right.]}$$

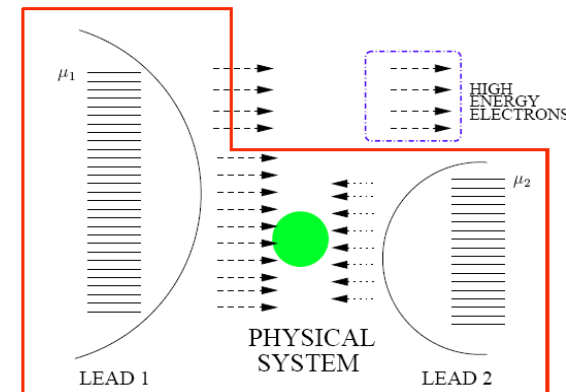
- Scattering approach:  $|\psi, V\rangle_s \longleftrightarrow$  non-perturbative Keldysh

- The scattering eigenstate  $|\psi, V\rangle_s$  describes all aspects of non-equilibrium steady-state physics (NESS):

- non-equilibrium currents,
- energy dissipation,
- entropy production

**Q:** How can an eigenstate describe dissipation, entropy production?

**A:** Scattering eigenstate describes both system and environment (open system)





# Entropy production and Dissipation

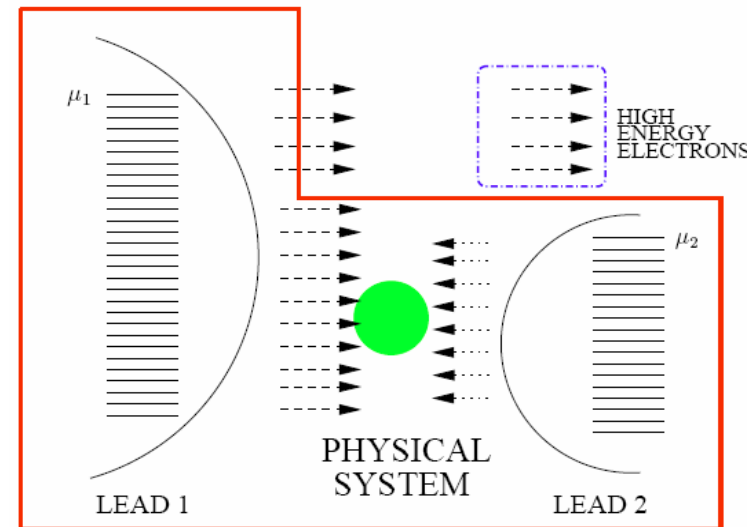
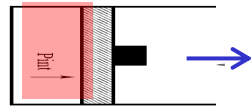
**Non-equilibrium currents dissipate heat into environment:**

- Scattering state describes system + environment
- Dissipation mechanism: electrons reaching infinity
- Lost high energy electrons generate entropy (entanglement?)

$$\delta Q_i = dE_i - \mu_i dN_i$$

**Entropy is produced quasi-statically:**

- *currents*  $\sim 1$
- *leads*  $\sim L \rightarrow \text{infy}$



$$\frac{dE_1}{dt} \equiv \left\langle \frac{d\hat{E}_1}{dt} \right\rangle_s = \langle i[\hat{H}, \hat{H}_{01}] \rangle_s = -\langle I_E \rangle_s$$

$$\frac{dN_1}{dt} \equiv \left\langle \frac{d\hat{N}_1}{dt} \right\rangle_s = \langle i[\hat{H}, \hat{N}_1] \rangle_s = -\langle I_N \rangle_s$$

# Entropy production and Dissipation

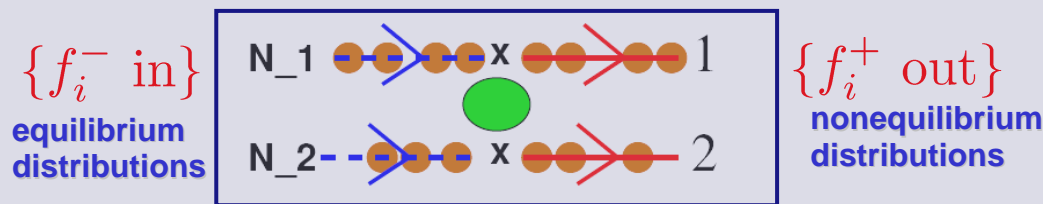
- **“Thermodynamic” approach:** (discontinuous system - defined w.r.t. quasi-equil,  $L \sim \infty$ )

$$\sigma \equiv \frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{1}{T_1} \frac{\delta Q_1}{dt} + \frac{1}{T_2} \frac{\delta Q_2}{dt} = \left( \frac{1}{T_1} - \frac{1}{T_2} \right) \langle I_E \rangle_s + \left( \frac{\mu_1}{T_1} - \frac{\mu_2}{T_2} \right) \langle I_N \rangle_s$$

No accumulation  
in dot:  $I_1 + I_2 = 0$

- **“Boltzmannian” approach – (distributions)**

scattering  $\rightarrow$  change of distribution:



$$\sigma = \sum_i \int dp v_F (f_i^+(p) - f_i^-(p)) \frac{p - \mu_i}{T_i}$$

$$f_i^+(p) = f_i^-(p) |R(p)|^2 + f_i^-(p) |T(p)|^2$$

- **“Information Theory” approach – (in the infinite volume limit) :**

$$\sigma = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{L} \sum_{i=1,2} v_F [(S_i^+ - S_i^-) + v_F D_{KL}(f_i^+ || f_i^-)]$$

*mixing*                      *relaxation*

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**Mixing + Relaxation**

$$\begin{cases} \text{mixing} & = \Delta S \\ \text{relaxation} & = D_{KL}(f^+ || f^-) \end{cases}$$

$$S_i^\pm = - \sum_\alpha f_i^\pm(p_\alpha) \ln f_i^\pm(p_\alpha) - \sum_\alpha [1 - f_i^\pm(p_\alpha)] \ln [1 - f_i^\pm(p_\alpha)]$$

$$D_{KL}(f^+ || f^-) = \sum_\alpha f^+(p_\alpha) \ln \frac{f^+(p_\alpha)}{f^-(p_\alpha)}$$

**Kullback-Leibler divergence:**  
- amount of work obtained  
when  $f^+$  relaxes to  $f^-$

- **Entropy production rate strictly positive,  $\sigma > 0$**

# The Scattering Bethe-Ansatz

## Nonequilibrium described by open-system eigenstates

*HOW TO CONSTRUCT  $|\psi, V\rangle_s$ , (for  $T = 0$ )? OR  $\rho_s$ , (for  $T > 0$ )?*

- Keldysh perturbation theory - fails in general (IR div)

- RG ? -  $|\phi_o, V\rangle$  highly excited

Recent developments: Freq dep-RG

TD-DMNRG, TD-DMRG, FRG, Flow-eq

*Develop a Bethe Ansatz approach to non-equilibrium:*

- **Traditional Bethe-Ansatz - inapplicable**  $H|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle$  (+PBC)
- Periodic boundary conditions
- **Closed System:** Equilibrium, Thermodynamics
- **New technology → Scattering States**
- Asymptotic Boundary conditions on the infinite line
- **Open System:** Non-equilibrium, scattering problems

**Scattering (Open) Bethe-Ansatz:**

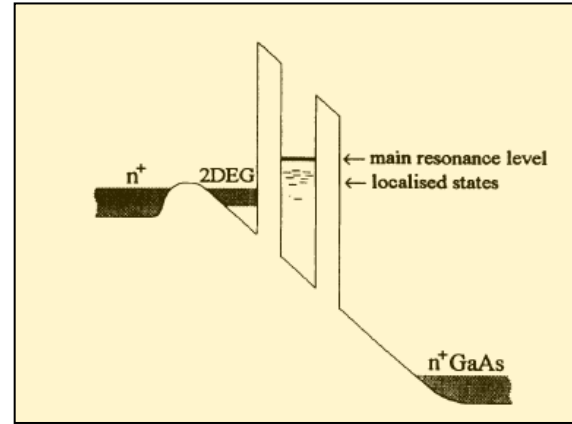
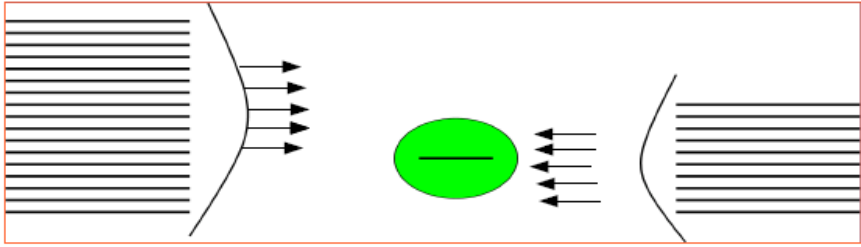
$H|\psi\rangle_s = E|\psi\rangle_s$   
scattering BC on  $\infty$ -line

1. *Non-equil Interacting Resonance Level model (Non-equil FES)*

2. *Non-equil Anderson model (Quantum Dot – Non-equil Kondo effect)*

# The Interacting Resonance Level model out-of-equilibrium

## • Non-equil IRL Model:



## Non-equil FES

Geim et al 93'

$$H_{IRL} = \sum_{j=1,2} \sum_{\vec{k}} \epsilon_k c_{j\vec{k}}^\dagger c_{j\vec{k}} + \epsilon_d d^\dagger d + t \sum_{j=1,2} \sum_{\vec{k}} (c_{j\vec{k}}^\dagger d + h.c.) + U \sum_{j=1,2} \sum_{\vec{k}} c_{j\vec{k}}^\dagger c_{j\vec{k}} d^\dagger d$$

## • The 1-d Field Theory

Thermodynamic BA Filyov, Wiegman 80'

$$H_{IRL} = -i \sum_j \int \psi_j^\dagger(x) \partial \psi_j(x) + \epsilon_d d^\dagger d + t \sum_j (\psi_j^\dagger(0) d + h.c.) + U \sum_j \psi_j^\dagger(0) \psi_j(0) d^\dagger d$$

**Diagonalize  $H$  via the Open Bethe-Ansatz:**

- directly on the infinite line (open system)

- construct 1-particle eigenstates (with boundary conditions)
- construct N-particle eigenstates out of 1-particle states

$$H|F_N\rangle = E_N|F_N\rangle \quad N = 1, 2, \dots$$

# IRL: The Scattering State

## Single-particle scattering eigenstates -

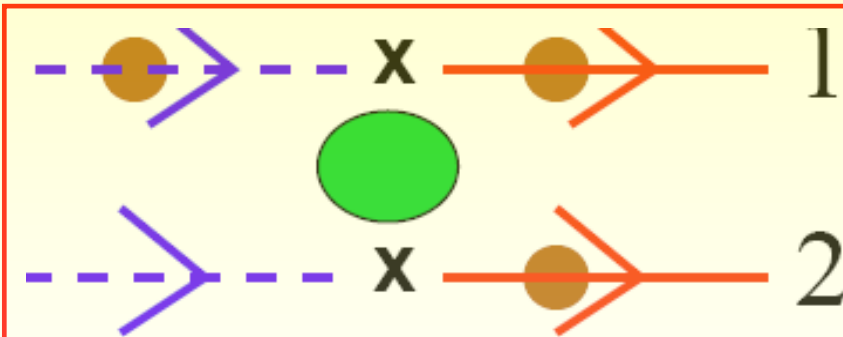
Level width:

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2}t^2$$

Phase shift :

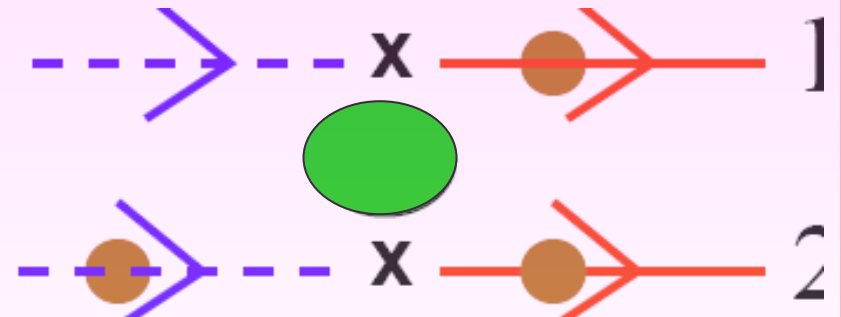
$$e^{i\delta_p} = \frac{p - \epsilon_d - \Delta}{p - \epsilon_d + i\Delta}$$

$|1p\rangle$



$$\begin{aligned} |1p\rangle &= \int dx e^{ipx} \{ [\theta(-x) + R_p \theta(x) + s(x)] \psi_1^\dagger(x) \\ &\quad + [T_p \theta(x) - s(x)] \psi_2^\dagger(x) + e_p d^\dagger \delta(x) \} |0\rangle \\ &= \int dx e^{ipx} \alpha_{1p}^\dagger(x) |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$|2p\rangle$



$$\begin{aligned} |2p\rangle &= \int dx e^{ipx} \{ [\theta(-x) + R_p \theta(x) - s(x)] \psi_2^\dagger(x) \\ &\quad + [T_p \theta(x) + s(x)] \psi_1^\dagger(x) + e_p d^\dagger \delta(x) \} |0\rangle \\ &= \int dx e^{ipx} \alpha_{2p}^\dagger(x) |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

**Impurity amp.**

$$e_p = \frac{t}{p - \epsilon_d + i\Delta}$$

**Reflec. amp.**

$$R_p = \frac{1}{2} [e^{i\delta_p} + 1]$$

**Trans. amp.**

$$T_p = \frac{1}{2} [e^{i\delta_p} - 1]$$

**Trans. coeff.**

$$|T_p|^2 = \frac{\Delta^2}{(p - \epsilon_d)^2 + \Delta^2}$$

**Renormalization prescription**

$$\theta(x)\delta(x) = \frac{1}{2}\delta(x)$$

**Local discontinuity**

$$s(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \neq 0 \\ \frac{e^{i\delta_p} - 1}{2} & x = 0 \end{cases} \text{ constant - consistent with prescription}$$

**Boundary condition**

$$\alpha_{ip}^\dagger(x) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow -\infty} \psi_{ip}^\dagger(x)$$

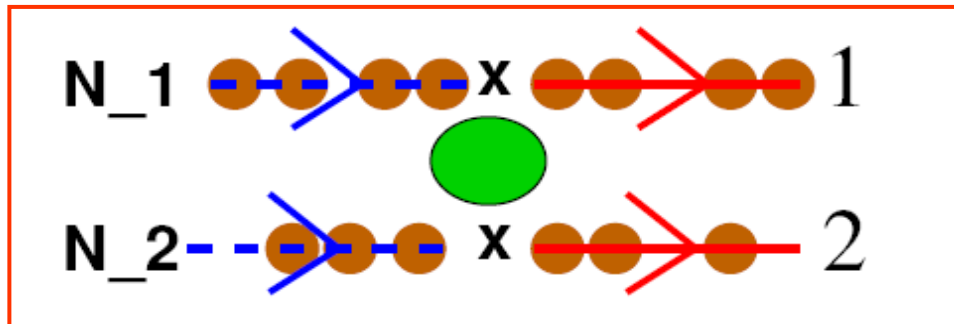
# IRL: The Scattering State

Multi-particle scattering state -  $N_1$  lead-1,  $N_2$  lead-2,  $N_i \sim \mu_i$

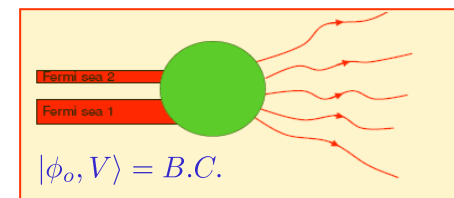
$$|\{p\}, N_1, N_2\rangle_s = \int dx e^{i \sum_j^N p_j x_j} e^{i \sum_{j < l}^N \Phi(p_j, p_l) \text{sgn}(x_j - x_l)} \prod_u^{N_1} \alpha_{1p}^\dagger(x_u) \prod_v^{N_2} \alpha_{2p}^\dagger(x_v) |0\rangle$$

with

$$e^{2i\Phi(p_i, p_j)} \equiv S(p_i, p_j) = \frac{i - \frac{U}{2} \frac{p_i - p_j}{p_i + p_j - 2\epsilon_d}}{i + \frac{U}{2} \frac{p_i - p_j}{p_i + p_j - 2\epsilon_d}}$$



- $|\{p\}, N_1, N_2\rangle_s$  eigenstate of  $H$  for any choice of Bethe momenta  $\{p\}$ .
- **Choose distributions  $\rho_i(p)$  to impose non-eq BC:**  
- incoming particles arrive from free leads at  $\mu_i$
- **Distributions  $\rho_i(p)$  must satisfy SBA equation.**



(Free baths Fermi-Dirac  $\rho_i = f_i$  in Fock basis. Here – free baths in Bethe basis)

# The Boundary Conditions II

The boundary conditions become OBA equations for:  $\rho_1, \rho_2$

$$2\rho(p) = \frac{1}{2\pi} - \int_{-D}^{B_2} 2\rho(k)\mathcal{K}(k,p)dk - \int_{B_2}^{B_1} \rho(k)\mathcal{K}(k,p)dk$$

$$\rho_2(p) = \rho(p) \quad p \leq B_2$$

$$\rho_1(p) = \rho(p) \quad p \leq B_1$$

$$\mathcal{K}(p,k) = \frac{U}{\pi} \frac{k - \epsilon_d}{(p+k-2\epsilon_d)^2 + \frac{U^2}{4}(p-k)^2}$$

**Bethe chemical potentials**  $B_1, B_2$   
**determined from**  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  **minimizing:**

$$F = \int_{-D}^{B_1} dp (p - \mu_1)\rho_1(p) + \int_{-D}^{B_2} dp (p - \mu_2)\rho_2(p)$$

• **For U=0 distributions reduce to Fermi-Dirac distributions**

These are **OBA** eqns for:  $\epsilon_d \geq B_j$  (in **co-tunneling regime**)

- otherwise, eqns more complicated – include complex solutions (Non-equil FES)

# Current and Dot Occupation

The scattering state  $|\{p\}\rangle_s^{\mu_1\mu_2}$  is determined in terms of  $\rho_1, \rho_2$

- **Current and dot-occupation:**

$$\hat{I} = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} t \sum_{j=1,2} (-1)^j (\psi_j^\dagger(0)d - h.c.)$$

$$\hat{n}_d = d^\dagger d$$

- **Expectation values:  $\hat{I}, \hat{n}_d$  in Scattering State:  $|\{p\}\rangle_{L \rightarrow \infty}^{\mu_1, \mu_2}$**

$$\Delta = t^2/2$$

Hybridization  
width

$$\langle I \rangle_s^{\mu_1, \mu_2} = \int dp [\rho_1(p) - \rho_2(p)] \frac{\Delta^2}{(p - \epsilon_d)^2 + \Delta^2}$$

$$\langle n_d \rangle_s^{\mu_1, \mu_2} = \int dp [\rho_1(p) + \rho_2(p)] \frac{\Delta}{(p - \epsilon_d)^2 + \Delta^2}$$

- For  $U=0$ , Landauer-Buttiker formulas  $\rho_i(p) \rightarrow f_i(p)$
- For  $U>0$ , in the Bethe-basis, expressions look “simple”:
  - excitations undergo phase shifts only
  - $\rho_i(p)$  incorporate interactions and boundary conditions



# Current vs. Voltage IRL

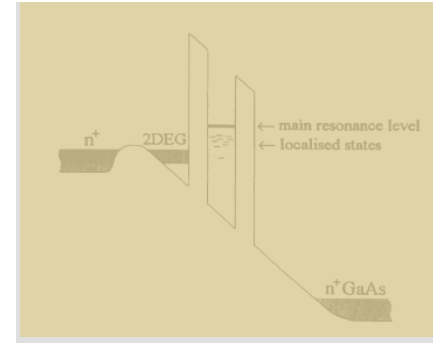
- Compute exactly current as a function of Voltage:

## Non-monotonicity in U

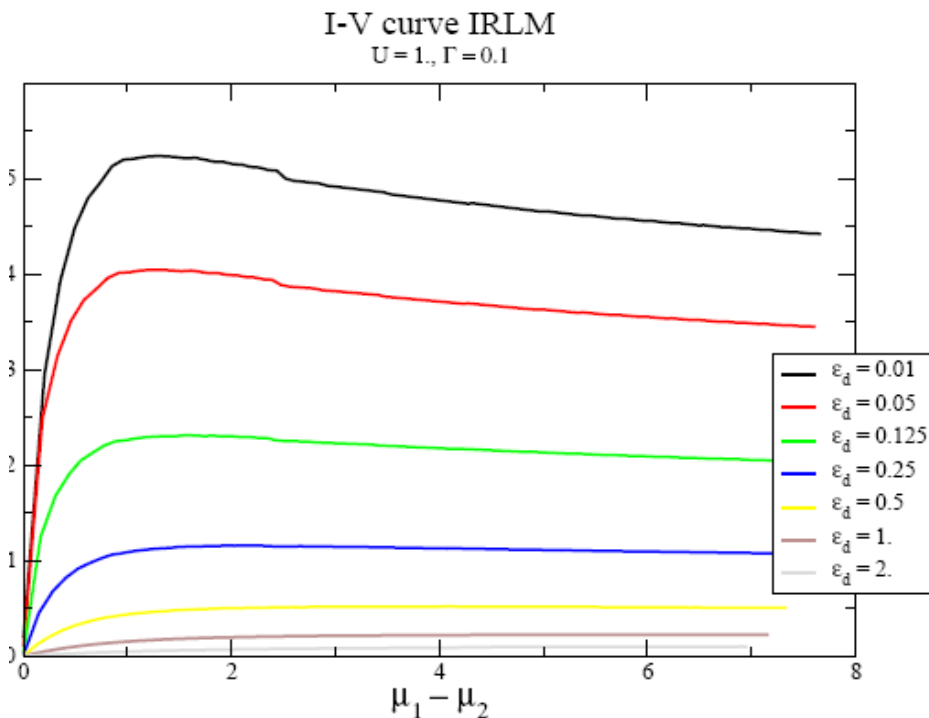
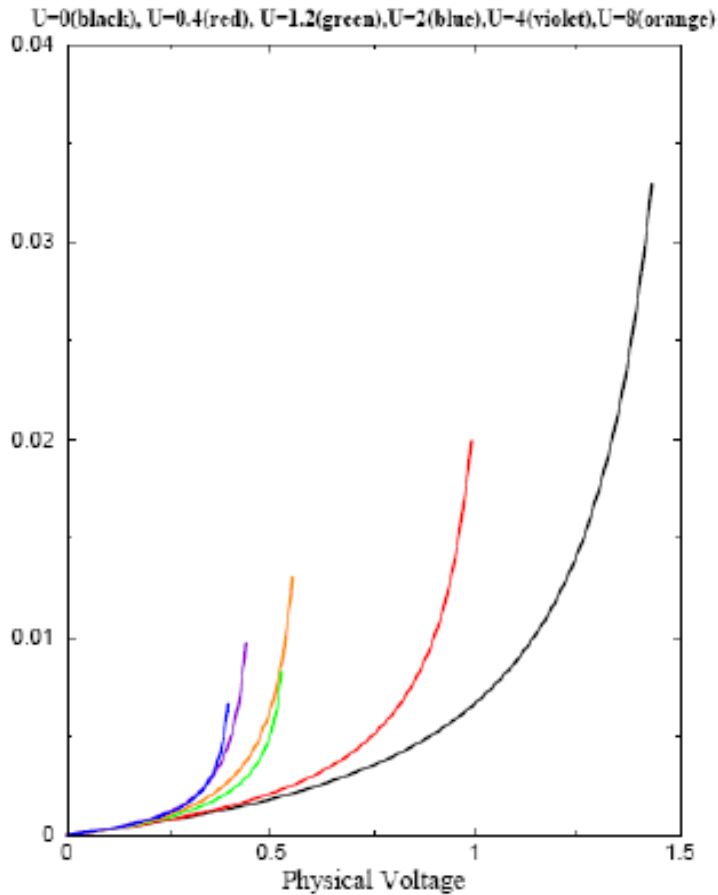
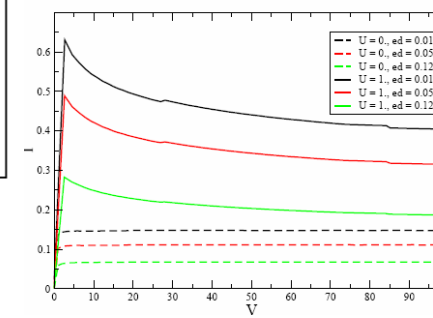
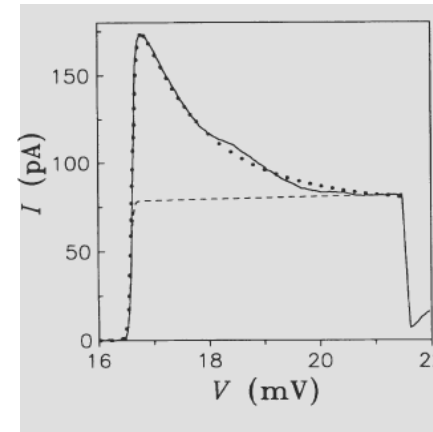
- FES : repulsion vs IR Catastrophe (Borda et al)
- Duality :  $U/2 \rightarrow 1/(U/2)$  (Schiller NA)

## Fermi Edge Singularity out of equilibrium

(Matveev & Larkin, Levitov, Abanin..)



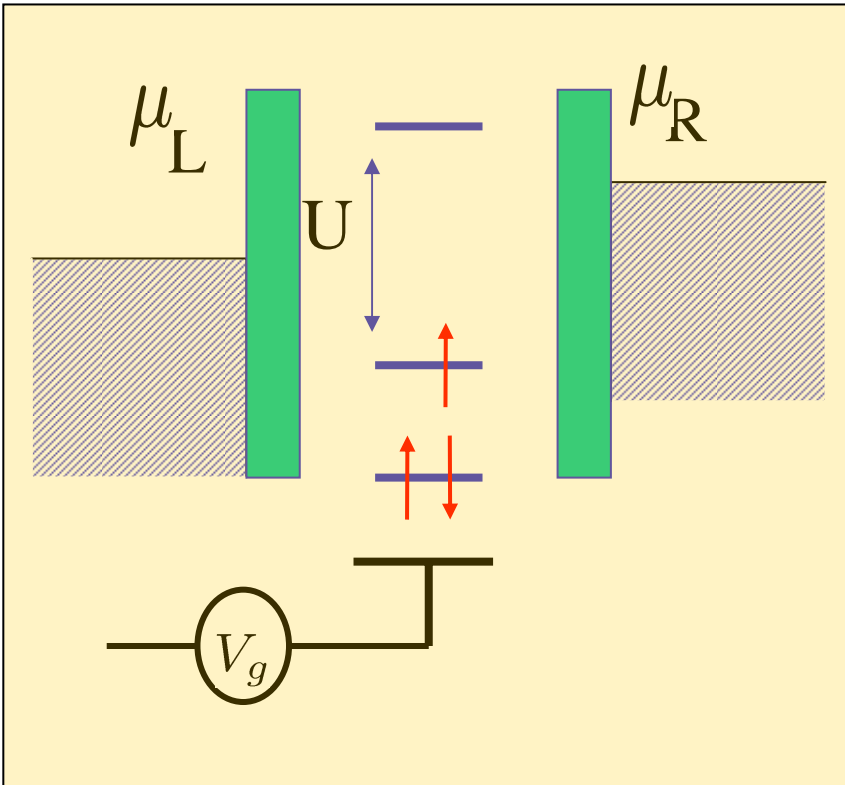
(Geim et al '93)



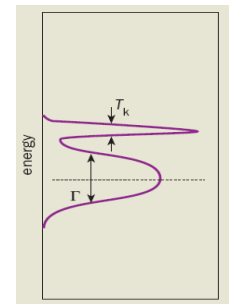
## Other approaches:

1. Perturbative RG Borda, Zawadowski 06'
2. Perturbative expansion Doyon 07'
3. DMRG Scmitteckert 07'
4. Model at self-dual point (U=2)  $\rightarrow$  BSG : BA + dressed Landauer: Boulat, Saleur (08') cf Fendley, Ludwig, Saleur 95'

# The Quantum Dot - equilibrium

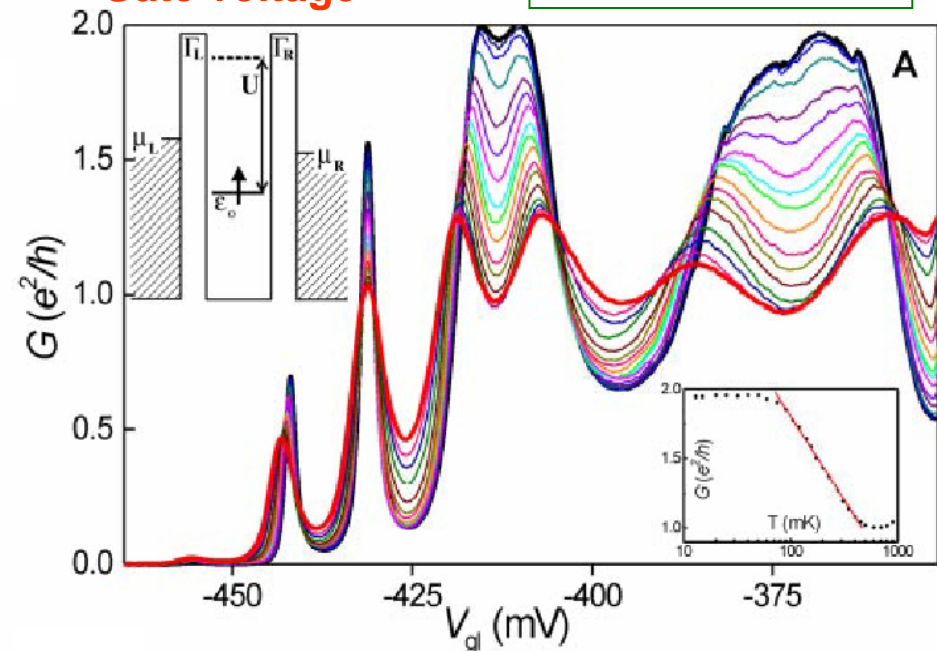


- Can control number of electrons on dot using gate voltage
- For odd number of electrons- quantum dot acts as **quantum impurity**
- New collective behaviours, e.g. **Kondo effect**
  - formation of narrow peak at the Fermi surface as  $T \rightarrow 0$

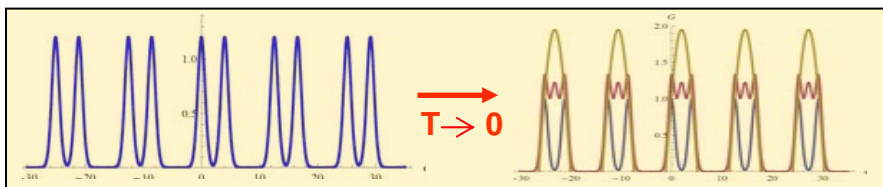


**Conductance vs Gate voltage**

van der Wiel *et al.*  
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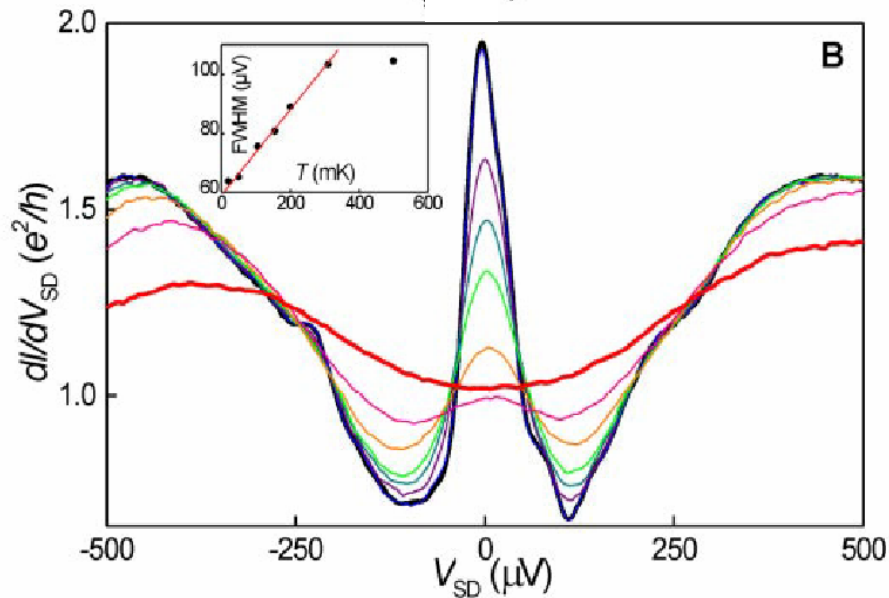
**Kondo effect - zero bias (equilibrium):**  
filling of odd valleys of Coulomb Blockade at low  $T$



# The Quantum Dot - nonequilibrium

van der Wiel *et al.*,  
Science 2000

## Conductance vs. bias voltage



### • Questions:

- The nonequilibrium Kondo Effect
- Effects of temperature,
- magnetic field
- DOS in and out of equilibrium
- Decoherence

## • Nonequilibrium Anderson model:

small dots:  
 $\delta \geq U, V ; T_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{2U\Gamma} e^{\pi\epsilon_d(\epsilon_d+U)/(2U\Gamma)} \ll \Theta_D$

$$H = -i \sum_{j=1,2} \int \psi_{ja}^\dagger \partial \psi_{ja} dx + \epsilon_d d_a^\dagger d_a + t \sum_{j=1,2} (\psi_{ja}^\dagger(0) d_a + h.c.) + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow}$$

Equilibrium BA: *Wiegmann & Tsvetlik, Kawakami & Okiji '80-'83*

## • Solve:

Previous attempt - *Konik, Ludwig, Saleur '02* - valid only close to equilibrium

Approach: Landauer + *dressed BA*, developed by Fendley Ludwig Saleur '95

- Based on dressed excitations: holon, spinon. But voltage in leads acts on bare electrons
- **Approximation**: electron  $\sim$  spinon + holon. No spinon-antispinons, no holon-antiholons.
- **Approximation invalid** in general - except for  $V=0$ , (cf *N.A. '82*)

# Anderson Model of the single-level Quantum Dot

## Anderson model out equilibrium: Open Bethe Ansatz (H=0 T=0)

- Similar construction of scattering eigenstates

- Bethe momenta - complex strings  $k_{\pm}(\lambda) = x(\lambda) \pm y(\lambda)$

$$x(\lambda) = \epsilon_d + \frac{U}{2} - \left[ \frac{\lambda + (\epsilon_d + \frac{U}{2})^2 + ((\lambda + (\epsilon_d + \frac{U}{2})^2)^2 + U^2\Gamma^2)^{1/2}}{2} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$y(\lambda) = \left[ \frac{-(\lambda + (\epsilon_d + \frac{U}{2})^2) + ((\lambda + (\epsilon_d + \frac{U}{2})^2)^2 + U^2\Gamma^2)^{1/2}}{2} \right]^{1/2}$$

- Satisfying

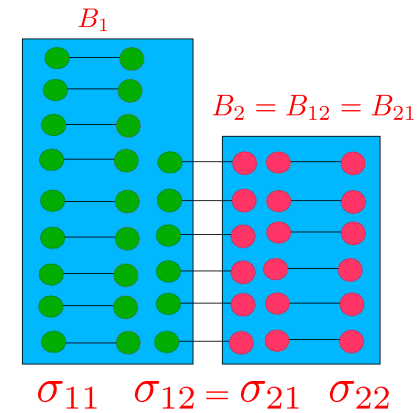
$$e^{2ix(\lambda_{\alpha})L} = \prod_{\beta} \frac{\lambda_{\alpha} - \lambda_{\beta} + i2U\Gamma}{\lambda_{\alpha} - \lambda_{\beta} - i2U\Gamma}$$

- Four types of momentum-strings: 11, 12, 21, 22

described by distributions

$$\sigma_{11}(\lambda), \sigma_{22}(\lambda), \sigma_{12}(\lambda), \sigma_{21}(\lambda)$$

- Distributions determined by SBA-eqn : free leads in Bethe basis



$$4\sigma(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{dx(\lambda)}{d\lambda} - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{B_2}^{\infty} d\lambda' 4\sigma(\lambda') \frac{2U\Gamma}{(2U\Gamma)^2 + (\lambda - \lambda')^2} - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{B_1}^{B_2} d\lambda' \sigma(\lambda') \frac{2U\Gamma}{(2U\Gamma)^2 + (\lambda - \lambda')^2}$$

$$\sigma_{12}(\lambda) = \sigma_{21}(\lambda) = \sigma_{22}(\lambda) = \sigma(\lambda),$$

$$B_2 \leq \lambda \leq \infty$$

$$B_1 \leq B_2 = B_{12} = B_{21} \leq \infty$$

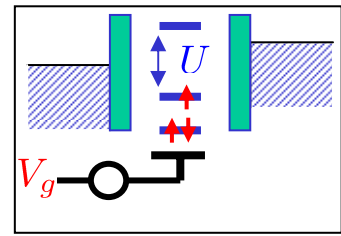
$$\sigma_{11}(\lambda) = \sigma(\lambda),$$

$$B_1 \leq \lambda \leq \infty$$

- Bethe chemical potentials:  $B_1, B_2$  determined by physical potentials  $\mu_1, \mu_2$ , minimizing

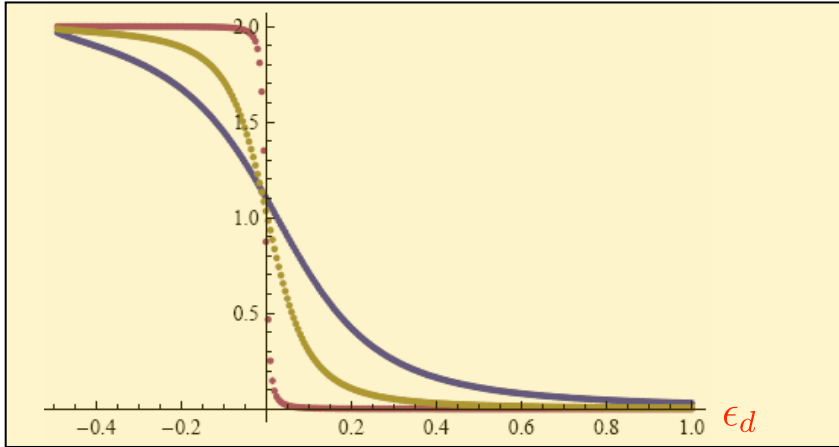
$$F = \int_{B_1}^{\infty} 2(x(\lambda) - \mu_1)\sigma_{11}(\lambda)d\lambda + \int_{B_{12}}^{\infty} (2x(\lambda) - \mu_1 - \mu_2)(\sigma_{12}(\lambda) + \sigma_{21}(\lambda))d\lambda + \int_{B_2}^{\infty} 2(x(\lambda) - \mu_2)\sigma_{22}(\lambda)d\lambda$$

# Conductance in and out of equilibrium



## Conductance $G(V=0, \epsilon_d)$ vs. gate voltage $\epsilon_d$

$\Gamma = 0.125, 0.05, \text{ and } 0.005$  for blue, brown, and purple.

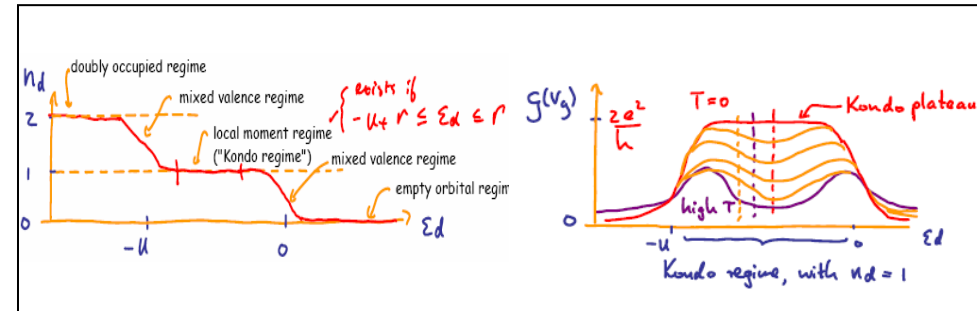


- Direct calculation from current.

- Verifies Friedel SR

- TBA vs SBA

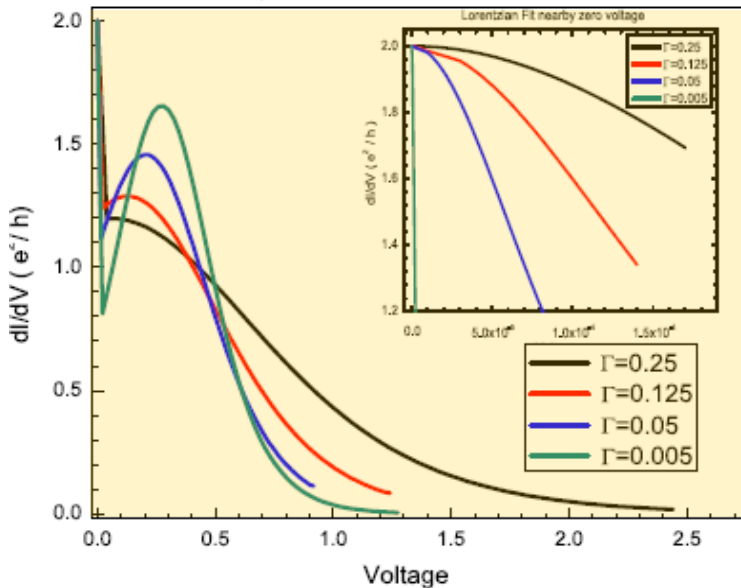
$$G = \frac{e^2}{h} \sum_{\sigma} \sin^2(\pi n_{d,\sigma})$$



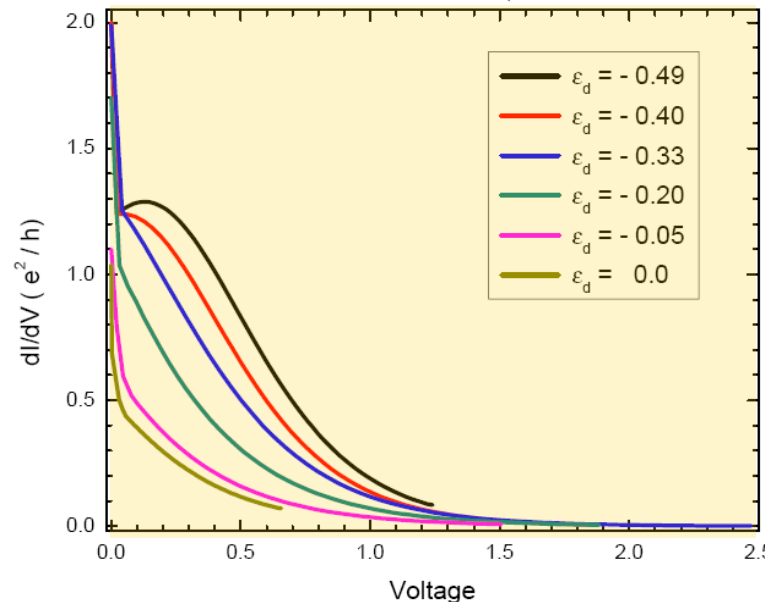
Von Delft, notes

## Conductance $G(V, \epsilon_d, \Gamma)$ vs. bias voltage $V$ (preliminary)

Differential Conductance vs Voltage with different  $\Gamma$   
( $\epsilon_d = -0.49, U=1, D=80, \mu_1 \sim 0.0$ )

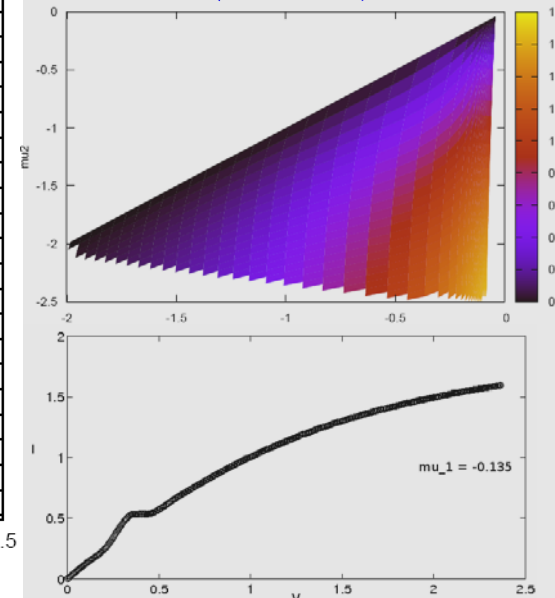


Differential Conductance vs Voltage with different  $\epsilon_d$   
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## Full description:

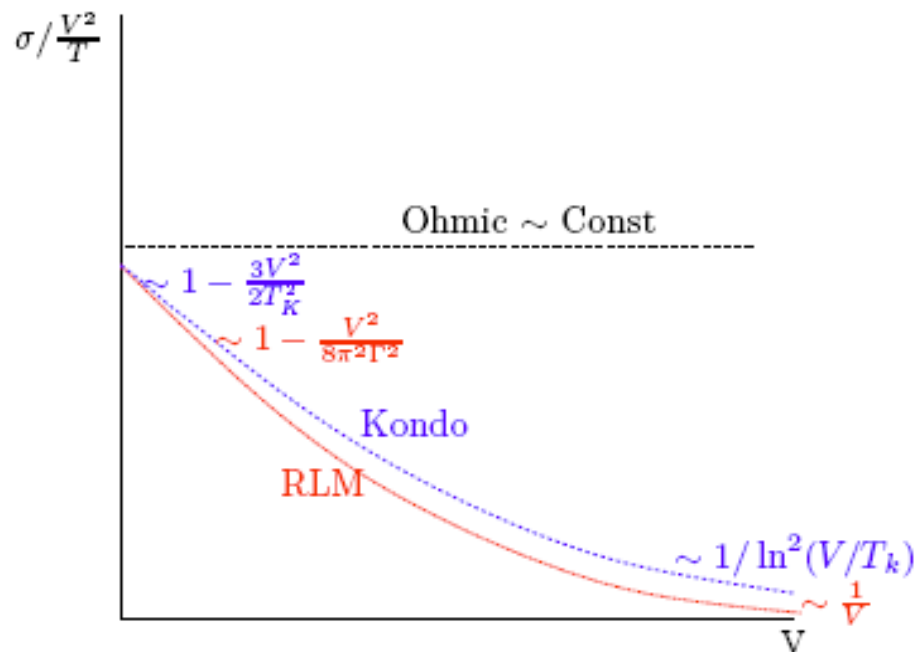
$$I(\mu_1, \mu_2)$$



• The Kondo effect forms as  $\epsilon_d$  is decreased, destroyed as the bias voltage is increased

# Entropy Production: Effects of Correlations

How does the Kondo effect manifest itself?



- The RLM describes the Kondo model at Strong coupling
- Stronger correlations suppress entropy production
- To measure: perform spectroscopy of emerging electrons

# Traditional vs Scattering BA

The construction of  $|\psi\rangle_s$  is an example of the SBA approach:

|                               | SBA               | TBA          |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| System                        | Infinite          | Finite       |
| Boundary condition            | asymptotic (open) | periodic     |
| Wavefunctions                 | used explicitly   | not used     |
| Thermodynamics                | difficult         | easy         |
| Scattering Properties         | possible          | not possible |
| Nonequilibrium Generalization | Yes               | No           |

## More applications:

- Scattering S-matrix of electrons off magnetic impurities
  - *elastic and inelastic cross sections*
- Calculation single particle Green's functions, spectral functions
  - *finite temperature resistivity (resistance minimum)*

# Conclusions

- **Shown:**  
**Scattering eigenstates with non-eq BC – Steady States**
- **Computed:**  
**Steady state current, entropy production rate**
- **Many Generalizations and applications:**

## *Non-equilibrium Impurity*

- **Non-equilibrium in other impurity models**  
*Multichannel versions*
- **Non-equilibrium at  $T > 0, T_1 \neq T_2$ , thermal currents**
- **More leads: non-equilibrium DOS (Lebanon&Schiller)**

## *Non-equilibrium Wire*

- **The Luttinger liquid (e.g. nanotubes)**
- **AB Interferometers (with/without impurities)**

## *Scattering*

- **Inclusive, exclusive scattering amplitudes**
- **Elastic, inelastic scattering amplitudes  $T > 0$**

**Quantum full counting statistics, Entropy fluctuations, noise, Onsager relations**



# Bethe basis vs. Fock basis

- **To the left of the impurity**  $|\{p\}\rangle$  **is eigenstate of**  $H_o - \sum_i \mu_i N_i$  **in the Bethe - basis**
- **Choose momenta so incoming state consists of two free Fermi seas in the Bethe - basis**

|                   |  |   |
|-------------------|--|---|
| S-Matrix          | <b>S=1</b>   | <b>S≠1</b>                                |
| Basis             | <b>Fock Basis</b>  | <b>Bethe Basis</b>                        |
| Fermi-sea momenta | <b>Fermi – Dirac distributions</b><br>$\rho_i^0 = \theta(\mu_i - p)$ | <b>Bethe distributions</b><br>$\rho_i(p)$ |

- **How to determine  $\rho_i(p)$ , i.e. what is the ground state of  $H_o - \sum_i \mu_i N_i$  in the Bethe basis?**
- **Not a scattering problem! Solve on the ring  $\longrightarrow$  Bethe Ansatz equations.**

# The Boundary Conditions III

**How to choose the momenta  $\{p\}$  so as to have the ground state?**

***Auxiliary problem:*** in  $\mathcal{H}_0$  find the ground state in Bethe basis on a ring of length  $L$ :

$$e^{ip_j L} = \prod_{l=1}^N S(p_j, p_l)$$

**Or:**

$$p_j = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{l=1}^N \ln S(p_j, p_l) + \frac{2\pi}{L} I_j$$

- ***The BA eqns describe the free leads on a ring (in the Bethe basis)***
- ***For the ground state choose:  $I_{j+1} = I_j + 1$***

# The Boundary Conditions I

## Why not choose Fermi-Dirac distribution for the momenta?

- *Fermi-Dirac* distributions describe free leads in the **Fock basis**,

- plane waves  $F_{\text{fock}}(x_1, \dots, x_N) = e^{i\sum_j^N p_j x_j}$  eigenstates of leads  $H_o = -i \sum_j \partial_j$

- The wave functions on the left of the impurity (using  $\alpha_{ip}(x) \rightarrow \psi_i(x)$ )

$$F_{\text{bethe}}(x_1, \dots, x_N) = e^{i\sum_j^N p_j x_j} e^{i\sum_{s<t}^N \Phi(p_s, p_t) \text{sgn}(x_s - x_t)}$$

- also eigestates of  $H_o = -i \sum_j \partial_j$  written in the **Bethe Basis**

## Why different bases?

- All fermions are right-movers with same velocity  $\Rightarrow E = k_1 + k_2 = (k_1 + q) + (k_2 - q)$ .
- Energy levels infinitely degenerate.
- Scattering matrix  $S$  corresponds to a choice of basis in degenerate space.
- $e^{ik_1 x_1 + ik_2 x_2} [A\theta(x_1 - x_2) + (SA)\theta(x_2 - x_1)]$  is eigenstate of  $H_o = -i(\partial_1 + \partial_2)$  for any  $S$
- $S = 1$  corresponds to the **Fock basis**
- $S = e^{2i\Phi}$  corresponds to the **Bethe basis** -the natural basis to turn on the interaction  
cf. degenerate perturbation theory

■

# Quantum Impurities: strong correlations out-of-equilibrium

**Experimentally well studied** : *Goldhaber-Gordon et al*, *Cronenwett et al*, *Schmid et al*

**Theoretically** - example of interplay of **strong correlation** and **nonequilibrium**

## • **Nonequilibrium** - **poorly understood**



- Non-equilibrium systems are all different- it is unclear what if anything they all have in common.
  - **No unifying theory such as Boltzmann's statistical mechanics**
- Many of our standard physical ideas and concepts are not applicable (Scaling? RG? Universality?)
- New inherently non-equilibrium phenomena:
  - e.g. **entropy production, dissipation**

## • **Strong correlations** - **poorly understood**

Perturbative approaches fail

- **New degrees of freedom emerge at low energy**
- **New collective behavior** e.g. **Kondo effect in and out of equilibrium**

**Can fully discuss issues – in quantum impurity context**