

Numerical renormalization group and multi-orbital Kondo physics

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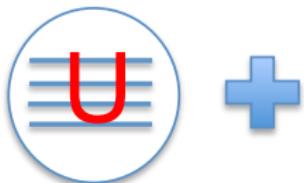
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References on NRG and codes

- K.G. Wilson, Rev. Mod. Phys. 1975 [Kondo model]
- Krishna-murthy et al, PRB 1980 [Anderson model]
- R. Bulla, T.A. Costi, T. Pruschke, Rev. Mod. Phys. 2008 [further developments/models]
- A. C. Hewson, The Kondo Problem to Heavy Fermions, C.U.P. (1997)
- Recommended public domain NRG codes:
 - “flexible DM-NRG” code (G. Zarand, et al., Budapest)
 - “NRG-Ljubljana” code (R. Zitko, Ljubljana)

Quantum impurity systems



Environment

- Impurity: small system, discrete spectrum
 - Environment: large system, quasi-continuous spectrum
 - Coupling: hybridization, Kondo exchange,...
 - General structure:

$$H = H_{\text{imp}} + H_{\text{int}} + H_{\text{bath}}$$

Quantum impurity systems

Anderson model

- Single-level Anderson impurity model ($n_{d\sigma} = d_\sigma^\dagger d_\sigma$):

$$H_{AM} = \underbrace{\sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + Un_{d\uparrow}n_{d\downarrow}}_{H_{\text{imp}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k\sigma} V_{kd}(c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger}d_{\sigma} + d_{\sigma}^{\dagger}c_{k\sigma})}_{H_{\text{int}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger}c_{k\sigma}}_{H_{\text{bath}}} \quad (1)$$

- We take constant hybridization function:

$$\Delta(\omega) = \pi \sum_k V_{kd}^2 \delta(\omega - \epsilon_k) \approx \Delta(\epsilon_F = 0)$$

- non-constant hybridization can also be dealt with in NRG (e.g., for applications to DMFT, pseudogap systems,...)

Multi-orbital and multi-channel Anderson Model

- Rotationally symmetric case, e.g., for transition metal ions $l = 2$, and $m = -2, -1, 0, +1, +2$

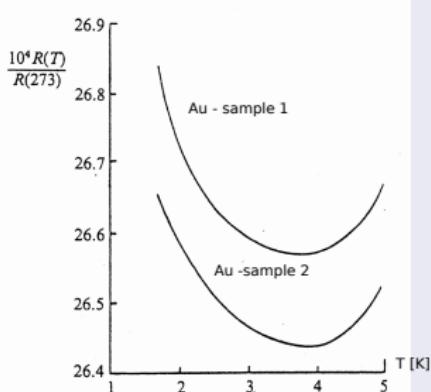
$$\begin{aligned}
H = & \sum_{m\sigma} \varepsilon_{dm} n_{m\sigma} + \frac{1}{2} U \sum_{m\sigma} n_{m\sigma} n_{m-\sigma} + \frac{1}{2} U' \sum_{m \neq m' \sigma} n_{m\sigma} n_{m'-\sigma} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} (U' - J) \sum_{m \neq m' \sigma} n_{m\sigma} n_{m'\sigma} - \frac{J}{2} \sum_{m \neq m' \sigma} d_{m\sigma}^\dagger d_{m-\sigma} d_{m'-\sigma}^\dagger d_{m'\sigma} \\
& - \frac{J'}{2} \sum_{m \neq m' \sigma} d_{m\sigma}^\dagger d_{m-\sigma}^\dagger d_{m'-\sigma} d_{m'\sigma} \\
& + \sum_{km\sigma} V_{km\sigma} (c_{km\sigma}^\dagger d_{m\sigma} + h.c.) + \sum_{km\sigma} \epsilon_{km\sigma} c_{km\sigma}^\dagger c_{km\sigma}
\end{aligned}$$

- Crystal field and spin-orbit interactions \Rightarrow
 - Further lowering of symmetry, fewer channels

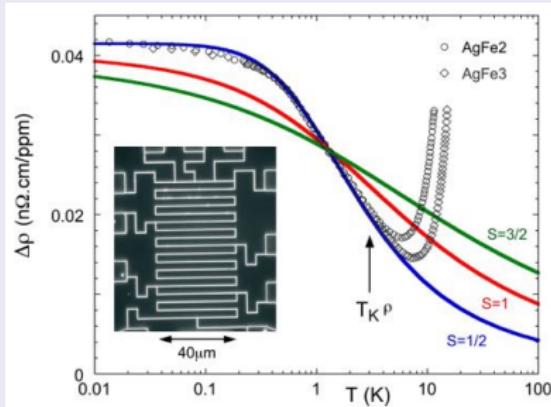
Experiments

Magnetic impurities in non-magnetic metals

Fe in Au: de Haas et al 1934



Fe in Ag: Mallet et al 2006

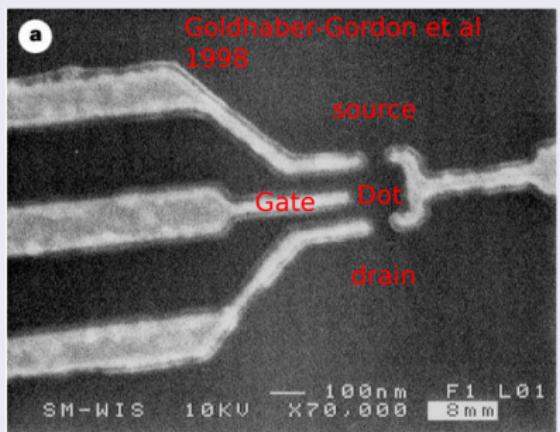


- de Haas et al: resistivity minimum and increase as $T \rightarrow 0$!
 - Kondo 1964: explanation in terms of magnetic impurities
 - Kondo 1964: $R_K(T) = -c_{\text{imp}} \ln(k_B T/D) \rightarrow \infty$ as $T \rightarrow 0$!!

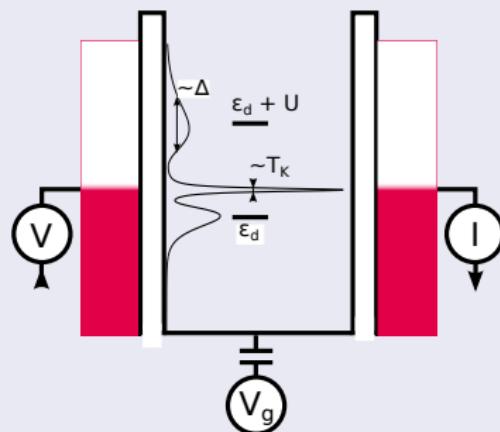
Experiments

Quantum dots, Kondo effect and nanoscale size SET's

100nm lateral quantum dots



⇒ Tunable Kondo effect

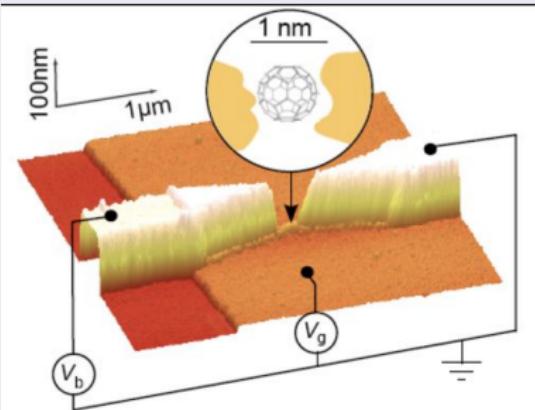


- $T_K = \sqrt{\Delta U/2} e^{\pi \varepsilon_d(\varepsilon_d + U)/2\Delta U} \Rightarrow$ exponential sensitivity
 - Single-electron transistor based on Kondo effect

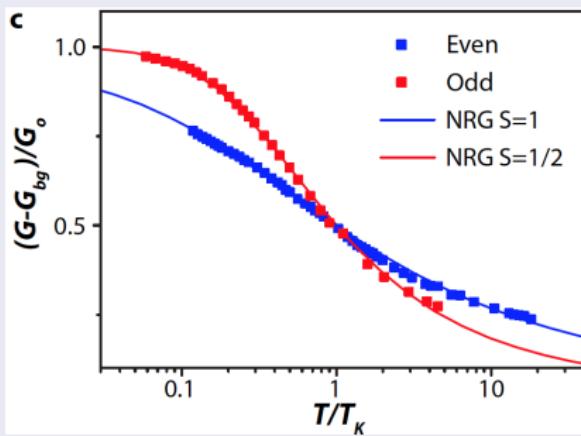
Experiments

High/low spin molecules in nanogaps

C₆₀: Roch et al 2009



Underscreened Kondo effect

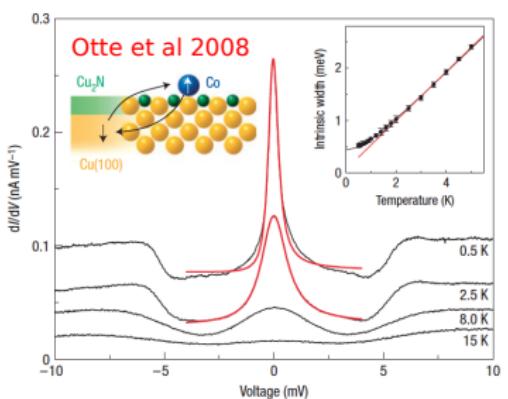


- Asymmetric lead couplings: partial screening of $S = 1 \Rightarrow$
 - Underscreened Kondo effect (N. Roch et al PRL 2009)

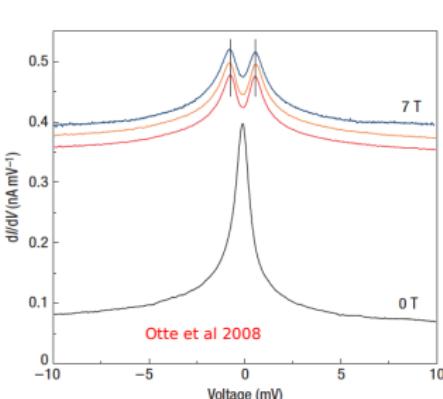
Experiments

Magnetic atoms on surfaces: Kondo + spin anisotropy

Co ($S=3/2$): Kondo+anisotropy



Ti ($S=1/2$): usual Kondo effect



- $H_{\text{imp}} = -g\mu_B S_z + DS_z^2$ for Co adatom with $S=3/2$
 - $D > 0 \Rightarrow m = 1/2 \leftrightarrow -1/2$ transitions \Rightarrow Kondo effect
 - $m = \pm 1/2 \rightarrow \pm 3/2$ transitions, side-bands to Kondo

Linear chain form

NRG: linear chain form of the Anderson model

$$H_{AM} = \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} + \overbrace{V \sum_{\sigma} (\mathbf{f}_{0\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \mathbf{f}_{0\sigma})}^{V \mathbf{f}_{0\sigma} = \sum_k V_{kd} c_{k\sigma}} + \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{k\sigma}$$

Tridiagonalize $H_{\text{bath}} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{k\sigma}$ using Lanczos with starting vector defined by $V\mathbf{f}_{0\sigma} = \sum_k V_{kd} c_{k\sigma}$ to obtain linear chain form:

$$H_{AM} = \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} + V \sum_{\sigma} (\mathbf{f}_{0\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \mathbf{f}_{0\sigma}) \\ + \sum_{n=0,\sigma}^{\infty} \epsilon_n f_{n\sigma}^+ f_{n\sigma} + \sum_{n=0,\sigma}^{\infty} t_n (f_{n\sigma}^+ f_{n+1\sigma} + H.c.)$$

...suitable for numerical treatment by adding one orbital at a time, starting with d_{σ} , then f_0 , then f_1 , ...

Linear chain form

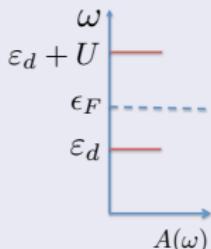
Atomic and zero-bandwidth limits

$$H_{AM}^{m=-1}(V=0) = \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow}$$

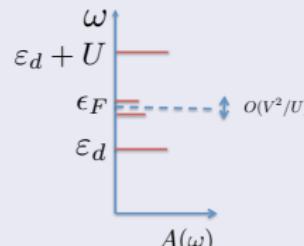
$$H_{AM}^{m=0}(\epsilon_k = 0) = \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} + V \sum_{\sigma} (\mathbf{f}_{0\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \mathbf{f}_{0\sigma})$$

$$A_{\sigma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{p,q} |\langle p | d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} | q \rangle|^2 (e^{-\beta E_q} + e^{-\beta E_p}) \delta(\omega - (E_q - E_p))$$

$V = 0$:
atomic limit



$\epsilon_k = \epsilon_F = 0$:
zero bandwidth limit



Linear chain form

Anderson model: the Kondo resonance

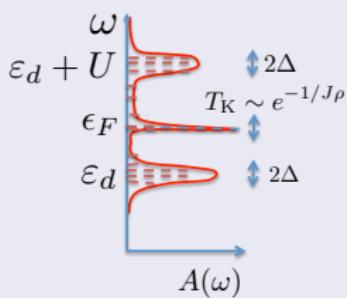
$$H_{AM} = \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} + V \sum_{k\sigma} (\textcolor{red}{f}_{0\sigma}^\dagger d_\sigma + d_\sigma^\dagger \textcolor{red}{f}_{0\sigma})$$

$$+ \sum_{n=0,\sigma}^{\infty} \epsilon_n f_{n\sigma}^+ f_{n\sigma} + \sum_{n=0,\sigma}^{\infty} t_n (f_{n\sigma}^+ f_{n+1\sigma} + H.c.)$$

Finite bandwidth

- Add $f_{1\sigma}, f_{2\sigma}, \dots$
 - \Rightarrow broadening $O(\Delta)$ of ε_d ,
and $\varepsilon_d + U$ excitations
 - \Rightarrow Kondo resonance
 $T_K \sim e^{-1/J\rho}, J \sim V^2/U$

Kondo resonance



Linear chain form

Iterative diagonalization/recursion relation

- Define truncated Hamiltonian (m conduction orbitals):

$$\begin{aligned} H_{AM} \approx H_m = & \varepsilon_d n_d + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} + V \sum_{\sigma} (f_{0\sigma}^+ d_{\sigma} + d_{\sigma}^+ f_{0\sigma}) \\ & + \sum_{\sigma, n=0}^m \epsilon_n f_{n\sigma}^+ f_{n\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma, n=0}^{m-1} t_n (f_{n\sigma}^+ f_{n+1\sigma} + f_{n+1\sigma}^+ f_{n\sigma}) \end{aligned}$$

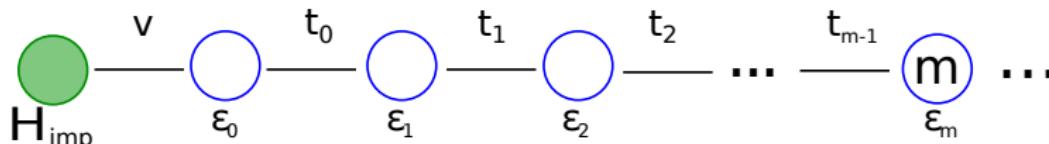
- satisfying recursion relation:

$$H_{m+1} = H_m + \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon_{m+1} f_{m+1\sigma}^+ f_{m\sigma} + t_m \sum_{\sigma} (f_{m\sigma}^+ f_{m+1\sigma} + f_{m+1\sigma}^+ f_{m\sigma}).$$

- diagonalize $H_m = \sum_p E_p^m |p\rangle_{mm}\langle p|$
- use product basis $|r, e_{m+1}\rangle \equiv |r\rangle_m |e_{m+1}\rangle$ with $|e_{m+1}\rangle = |0\rangle, |\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$ to set up matrix of H_{m+1} via recursion relation and diagonalize, ...

Iterative diagonalization/truncation

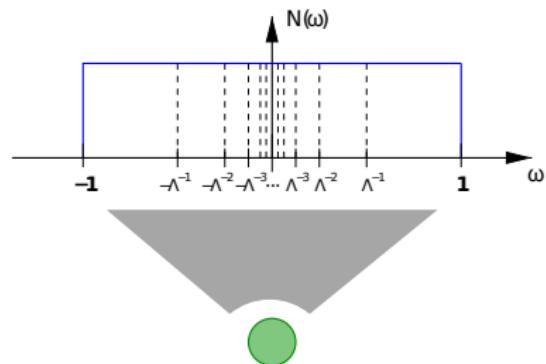
Iterative diagonalization



- Exact, if all states retained.
- In practice, no. states of H_m is $O(4^{m+1})$ ($= 4096$ at $m = 5$)
- Symmetries help $H_m = \sum \oplus H_{N_e, S, Sz}^m$
 $([\hat{N}_e, H_m] = [\vec{S}^2, H_m] = [S_z, H_m] = 0)$
- For $m > 5$, truncate to $O(1000)$ lowest eigenstates
- Truncation works, provided t_m decay sufficiently fast with m

Iterative diagonalization/truncation

Logarithmic discretization



- Logarithmic discretization of band
 $\epsilon_{k_n}/D = \pm \Lambda^{-n}$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$ with $\Lambda > 1$, e.g. $\Lambda = 2$
- $\Rightarrow t_m \sim \Lambda^{-m/2}$, $\epsilon_m \sim \Lambda^{-m}$
- For $\Lambda \gg 1$, average over discretizations (Oliveira),
 $\epsilon_{k_n}/D = \pm \Lambda^{-n-z+1}$, $n = 1, \dots$ ($\pm 1, n=0$)

Iterative diagonalization/truncation

NRG for multiple-channels

- Transition metal ions $l = 2$, and $m = -2, -1, 0, +1, +2$

$$H = H_{\text{imp}}(\{\varepsilon_{dm}\}, U, U', J) + \sum_{km\sigma} \overbrace{V_{km}(c_{km\sigma}^\dagger d_{m\sigma} + h.c.)}^{V_m f_{0m\sigma} = \sum_k V_{km} c_{km\sigma}} \\ + \sum_{km\sigma} \epsilon_{km\sigma} c_{km\sigma}^\dagger c_{km\sigma}$$

- Convert to linear chain form using Lanczos:

$$H = H_{\text{imp}}(\{\varepsilon_{dm}\}, U, U', J) + \sum_{m\sigma} V_m(f_{0m\sigma} d_{m\sigma} + h.c.) \\ + \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{m\sigma} \epsilon_{nm} f_{nm\sigma}^\dagger f_{nm\sigma} + \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{m\sigma} t_{nm}(f_{nm\sigma}^\dagger f_{n+1m\sigma} + h.c.)$$

- NRG: Hilbert space increases by $4^{2l+1} = 1024$ per shell added !

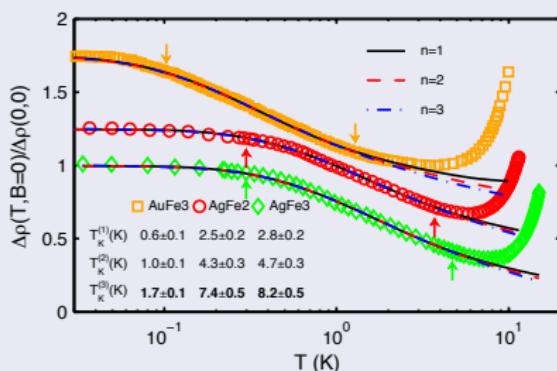
NRG for multiple-channels: exploiting symmetries

- For 3-channel $S = 3/2$ Kondo model, without symmetries, fraction of kept states = $1/4^3 = 1/64$.
- implementing $SU(3)$ symmetries (Hanl, Weichselbaum et al, PRB 2013) increased this fraction to $\approx 1/4^2 = 1/16$, making the 3-channel Kondo calculation equivalent to a 2-channel calculation
- allowed comparing to experimental resistivity ($R(T)$) and dephasing ($\tau_\varphi(T)$) data for Fe/Au for

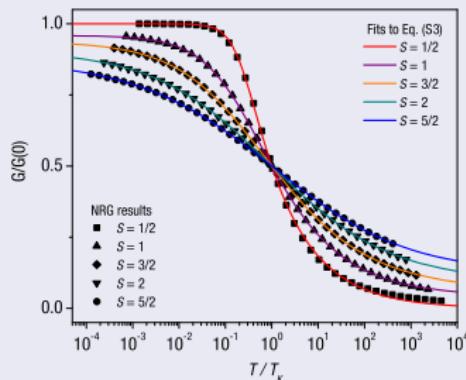
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Multi-channel fully screened/single-channel underscreened resistivities

Resistivity for 3 channel
 $S = 3/2$ Kondo model, Hanl et al PRB 2013



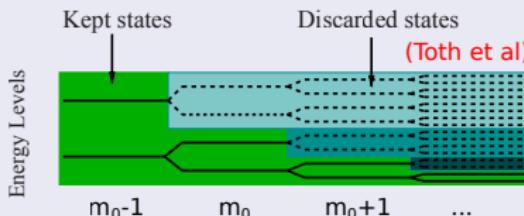
Resistivity for 1-channel spin
 $S \geq 1/2$ Kondo model, Parks et al Science 2010



Physical properties

Output from NRG procedure

Kept/discarded states

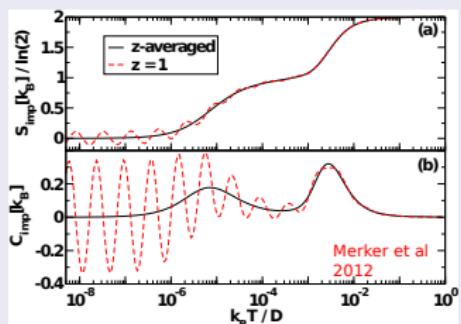


- Many-body eigenvalues E_p^m and eigenvectors $|p\rangle_m$ on all relevant energy scales $t_m \sim \Lambda^{-m/2}$, $m = 0, 1, \dots, N$.
- From eigenvalues calculate $Z = \sum_p e^{-\beta E_p}$ and thermodynamics
- From eigenstates calculate matrix elements, hence Green functions and transport
- Discarded states not used in iterative diagonalization, but useful for calculating physical properties (see later)

Physical properties

Thermodynamics

Impurity entropy/specific heat



• Entropy

$$S(T) = (E - F)/T,$$
$$E = \langle H_{AM} \rangle,$$

$$F = -\frac{1}{\beta} \ln Z$$

• Specific heat

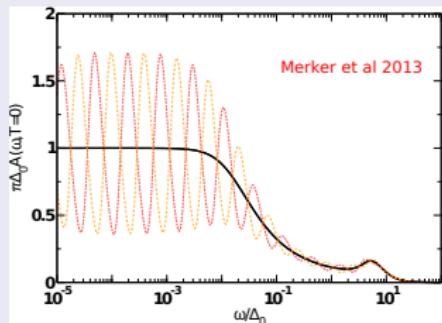
$$C(T) = k_B \beta^2 \langle H_{AM}^2 \rangle - \langle H_{AM} \rangle^2$$

- Discretization oscillations at $\Lambda \gg 1$ eliminated by z-averaging (here $\Lambda = 4$, $n_z = 2$).

Physical properties

Dynamics

d-spectral function



- NRG spectra are discrete ($\Delta E_{qq'} = E_{q'} - E_q$):

$$A_{d\sigma}(\omega, T) = \sum_{q,q'} w_{qq'}(T) \delta(\omega - \Delta E_{qq'})$$

- broaden with logarithmic Gaussians:

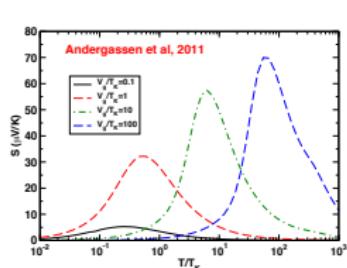
$$\delta(\omega - \Delta E_{q'q}) \rightarrow \frac{e^{-b^2/4}}{b|\Delta E_{q'q}| \sqrt{\pi}} e^{-(\ln(\omega/\Delta E_{q'q})/b)^2}$$

- Discretization oscillations at $\Lambda \gg 1$ eliminated by z-averaging (here $\Lambda = 10, n_z = 8$).

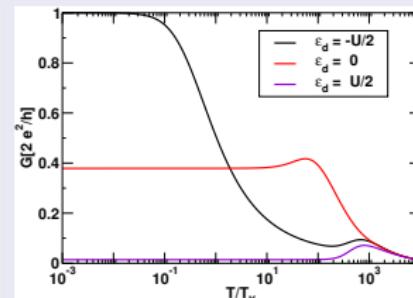
Linear transport

Linear transport

Thermopower for $U < 0$



Conductance: Merker et al



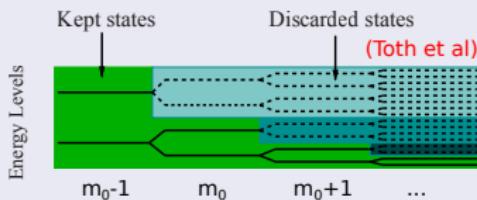
- Linear response transport from spectral functions $A(\omega, T)$:

$$G(T) = \frac{e^2}{h} \int d\omega \left(-\frac{\partial f}{\partial \omega} \right) \sum_{\sigma} \overline{\mathcal{T}_{\sigma}(\omega, T)}, \quad \propto A(\omega, T)$$

$$S(T) = -\frac{1}{|e|T} \frac{\int d\omega \omega (-\partial f / \partial \omega) \sum_{\sigma} \mathcal{T}_{\sigma}(\omega, T)}{\int d\omega (-\partial f / \partial \omega) \sum_{\sigma} \mathcal{T}_{\sigma}(\omega, T)}$$

Kept states in NRG

Kept/discard states



$$Z = \sum_p e^{-\beta E_p}$$

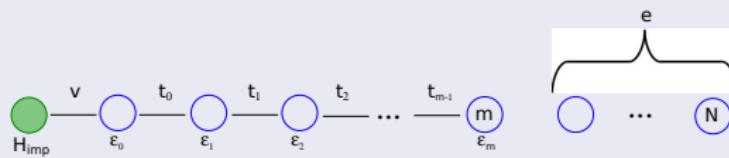
$$= Z_m(T)$$
$$\bullet Z \neq \sum_{m=0}^N \underbrace{\sum_p e^{-\beta E_p^m}}_p$$

- Double counting
- Conventional approach:
 $Z(T) \approx Z_m(T)$ for
 $T \equiv T_m \sim t_m$

- Use discarded states to build a complete set of eigenstates for summing up unambiguously contributions from different H_m (**Anders & Schiller 2005**)
- All states must reside in same Hilbert space: that of H_N

Construction of the complete basis set

Environment states



- $H_m|qm\rangle = E_q^m|qm\rangle$, $q = (\textcolor{blue}{k}, \textcolor{red}{l}) = (\text{kept}, \text{discarded})$
- Product states $|lem\rangle = |lm\rangle \otimes |e\rangle$ with $e = (e_{m+1}, \dots, e_N)$, $m = m_0, \dots, N$ form a complete set (Anders & Schiller 2005)

$$\sum_{m=m_0}^N \sum_{le} |lem\rangle \langle lem| = 1$$

- Allows unambiguous summation of contributions from different H_m

Full density matrix

Full density matrix (FDM)

- Full density matrix and partition function (**Weichselbaum & von Delft 2007**):

$$\rho = \frac{1}{Z(T)} \sum_{m=m_0}^N \sum_{l\epsilon} e^{-\beta E_l^m} |lem\rangle \langle lem|, \quad \text{Tr}\rho = 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$Z(T) = \sum_{m=m_0}^N 4^{N-m} \sum_l e^{-\beta E_l^m} \equiv \sum_{m=m_0}^N 4^{N-m} Z_m(T)$$

- Rewrite ρ as weighted sum of shell density matrices $\tilde{\rho}_m$:

$$\rho = \sum_{m=m_0}^N w_m \tilde{\rho}_m, \quad \tilde{\rho}_m = \sum_{l\epsilon} |lem\rangle \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m}}{\tilde{Z}_m} \langle lem|.$$

$$\text{Tr} [\tilde{\rho}_m] = 1, \quad w_m = 4^{N-m} \frac{Z_m}{Z}, \quad \sum_{m=m_0}^N w_m = 1$$

Full density matrix

Thermodynamics

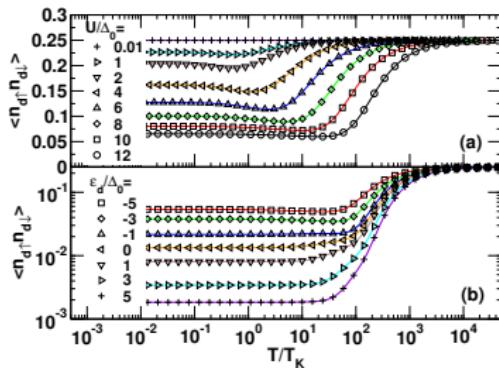
- Local observables $\hat{O} = n_d, n_{d\uparrow}n_{d\downarrow}, d_\sigma^\dagger f_{0\sigma}, S_z, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \hat{O} \rangle_\rho &= \text{Tr} [\rho \hat{O}] = \sum_{l'e'm'} \langle l'e'm' | \rho \hat{O} | l'e'm' \rangle \\&= \sum_{l'e'm'} \sum_{lem} w_m \overbrace{\langle l'e'm' | lem \rangle}^{\delta_{ll'} \epsilon_{ee'} \epsilon_{mm'}} \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m}}{\tilde{Z}_m} \overbrace{\langle lem | \hat{O} | l'e'm' \rangle}^{O_{ll'}^m} \\&= \sum_{lem} w_m \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m}}{\tilde{Z}_m} O_{ll'}^m = \sum_{lm} 4^{N-m} w_m O_{ll'}^m \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m}}{4^{N-m} Z_m} \\&= \sum_{m=m_0, l}^N w_m O_{ll'}^m \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m}}{Z_m}\end{aligned}$$

Full density matrix

Double occupancy

- Double occupancy: $\langle n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} \rangle \rightarrow \langle n_{d\uparrow} \rangle \langle n_{d\downarrow} \rangle$, $U \rightarrow 0$
- Double occupancy: $\langle n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} \rangle \ll 1$, $U \gg \Delta$
- FDM (lines) and conventional (symbols) in excellent agreement: FDM simpler, obviates need to chose best shell for given T



Application to Dynamics

Dynamics

- Evaluation of equilibrium retarded Green function
(Weichselbaum & von Delft 2007; Peters et al 2006):

$$\begin{aligned}G_{AB}(t) &= -i\theta(t)\langle [A(t), B]_+ \rangle \equiv -i\theta(t)\text{Tr}[\rho(A(t)B + BA(t))] \\&= -i\theta(t)[C_{A(t)B} + C_{BA(t)}]\end{aligned}$$

- Consider correlation function $C_{A(t)B}$:

$$\begin{aligned}C_{A(t)B} &= \text{Tr}[\rho A(t)B] = \text{Tr}[\rho A(t)B] = \text{Tr}\left[\rho A(t)\hat{\mathbf{1}}B\right] \\&= \sum_{l em} \langle l em | e^{-iHt} A e^{iHt} \sum_{l' e' m'} | l' e' m' \rangle \langle l' e' m' | B \rho | l em \rangle \\&= \sum_{l em} \sum_{l' e' m'} \underbrace{\langle l em | e^{-iHt} A e^{iHt} | l' e' m' \rangle}_{e^{i(E_{l'}^{m'} - E_l^m)t}} \langle l' e' m' | B \rho | l em \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Application to Dynamics

Dynamics

- ... Peters et al 2006

$$C_{A(t)B}^{m'>m} = \sum_{lem} \langle lem | e^{-iHt} A e^{iHt} \underbrace{\sum_{l'e'm'>m} |l'e'm'\rangle \langle l'e'm'|}_{=|kem\rangle \langle kem|} B \rho | lem \rangle$$

- Avoid off-diagonal matrix elements $A_{ll'}^{m \neq m'}$ by using

$$1 = 1_m^- + 1_m^+$$

$$1_m^- = \sum_{m'=m_0}^m \sum_{l'e'} |l'e'm'\rangle \langle l'e'm'|$$

$$1_m^+ = \sum_{m'=m+1}^N \sum_{l'e'} |l'e'm'\rangle \langle l'e'm'| = \sum_{ke} |kem\rangle \langle kem|.$$

Dynamics

- ... only **shell diagonal** matrix elements appear: $A_{ll'}^m$
- ... and **reduced density matrices Hofstetter 2000**:

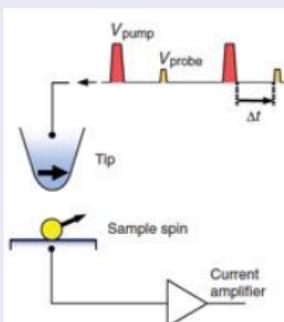
$$R_{\text{red}}^m(k', k) = \sum_e \langle k' e m | \rho | k e m \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} G_{AB}(\omega + i\delta) &= \sum_m \frac{w_m}{Z_m} \sum_{ll'} A_{ll'}^m B_{l'l}^m \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m} + e^{-\beta E_{l'}^m}}{\omega + i\delta - (E_{l'}^m - E_l^m)} \\ &\quad + \sum_m \frac{w_m}{Z_m} \sum_{lk} A_{lk}^m B_{kl}^m \frac{e^{-\beta E_l^m}}{\omega + i\delta - (E_k^m - E_l^m)} + \dots \\ &\quad + \sum_m \sum_{lkk'} A_{kl}^m B_{lk'}^m \frac{R_{\text{red}}^m(k', k)}{\omega + i\delta - (E_l^m - E_k^m)} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

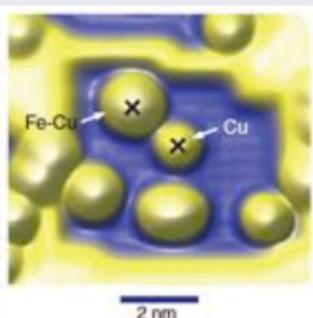
Time-dependent NRG (TDNRG)

Motivation: pump-probe spectroscopies

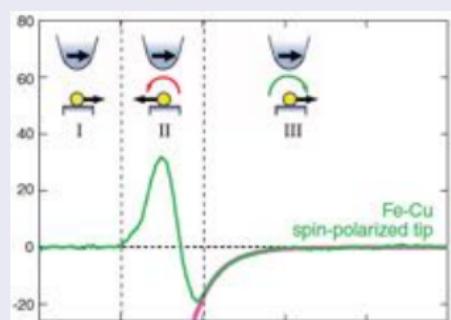
Loth et al 2010



Fe on CuN/Cu



Spin relaxation



Time-dependent NRG (TDNRG)

Transient response following a sudden quench

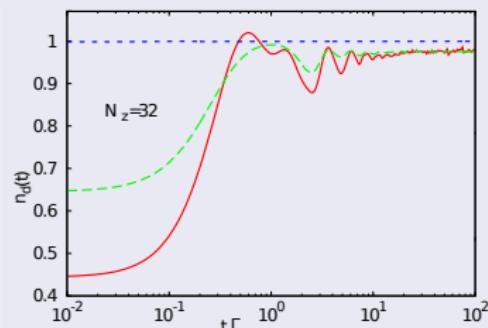
$$H(t) = \theta(-t)H^i + \theta(t)H^f$$

$$\begin{aligned} O(t) &= \text{Tr} \left[e^{-iH^f t} \rho e^{iH^f t} \hat{O} \right] \\ &= \sum_{m=m_0}^N \sum_{rs \notin KK'} \rho_{sr}^{i \rightarrow f}(m) e^{-i(E_s^m - E_r^m)t} O_{rs}^m \end{aligned}$$

(**Anders & Schiller 2005**
FDM gen.: Nghiem & Costi 2014)

$$\varepsilon_d(t) = -\theta(t)U/2:$$

Nghiem et al 2014



- $O(t \rightarrow 0^+)$ exact in TDNRG (Nghiem et al PRB 2014)
- $O(t \rightarrow \infty)$ not exact in TDNRG (Anders & Schiller 2005, Nghiem et al PRB 2014)

Time-dependent NRG (TDNRG)

Multiple quenches and general pulses

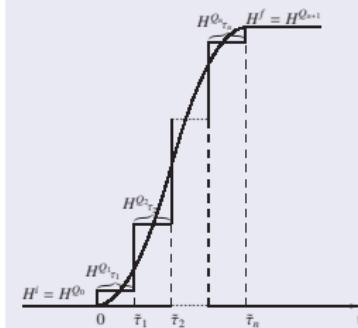
n-Quantum quenches

$$\rho(t) = e^{-iH^{Q_{p+1}}(t-\tilde{\tau}_p)} e^{-iH^{Q_p}\tau_p} \dots e^{-iH^{Q_1}\tau_1} \rho \\ \times e^{iH^{Q_1}\tau_1} \dots e^{iH^{Q_p}\tau_p} e^{iH^{Q_{p+1}}(t-\tilde{\tau}_p)}$$

$$O(t) = Tr \left[e^{-iH^f t} \rho e^{iH^f t} \hat{O} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{mrs}^{\notin KK'} \rho_{rs}^{i \rightarrow Q_{p+1}}(m, \tilde{\tau}_p) e^{-i(E_r^m - E_s^m)(t-\tilde{\tau}_p)} O_{sr}^m$$

Nghiem et al 2014

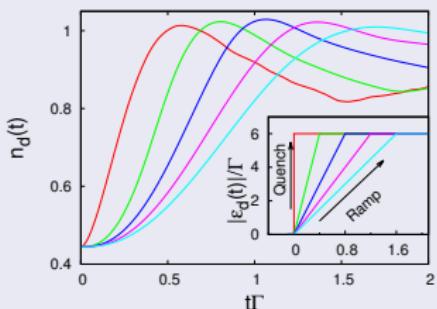


- Formalism rests **ONLY** on NRG (truncation) approximation!
- Other approaches use hybrid (DMRG-TDNRG) and additional approximations (**Eidelstein et al 2013**)

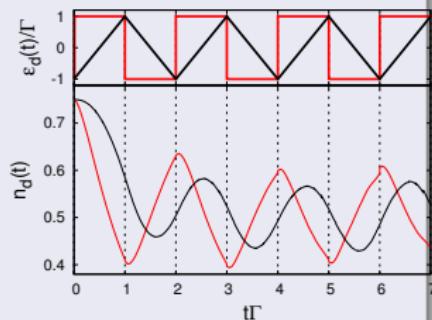
Time-dependent NRG (TDNRG)

General pulses and periodic switching

linear ramp: Nghiem & Costi 2014



periodic switching



- Linear ramp: time-delay in occupation $n_d(t)$
- Periodic switching ($U = 0$): coherent control of nanodevices (qubits,...)

Summary

- NRG: powerful method for strongly correlated systems
- NRG: still in development for:
 - time-dependent & non-equilibrium phenomena
 - complex multi-channel models (see Mitchell et al PRB 2013)
- Plenty of work still to do for smart PhD students !