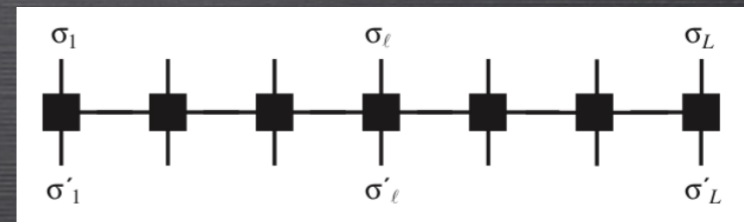
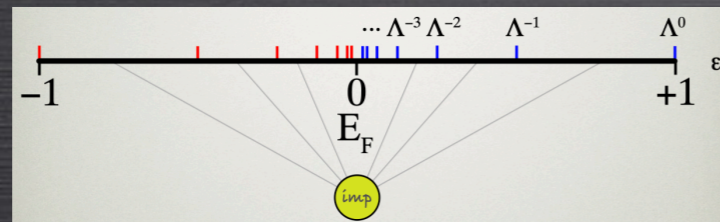


# SOLVERS FOR QUANTUM IMPURITY PROBLEMS (WITH SUPERCONDUCTING BATHS)

## LECTURE 4: IMPURITIES IN SUPERCONDUCTING BATHS



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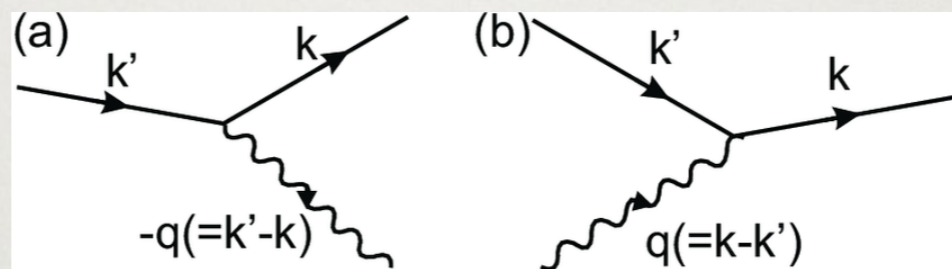
# Part I: models

# ELECTRON-PHONON INTERACTION

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$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_q \omega_q a_q^\dagger a_q + \sum_{k\sigma q} g_{kq} c_{k+q,\sigma}^\dagger c_{k,\sigma} \left( a_q + a_{-q}^\dagger \right)$$

(Fröhlich)



# EFFECTIVE E-E INTERACTION

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$$H_{\text{pairing}} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_{k,q} V_{k,q} c_{k+q,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k-q,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-k,\downarrow} c_{k,\uparrow}$$

$$V_{k,q} \approx \frac{|g_{kq}|^2 \hbar \omega_q}{(\epsilon_{k+q} - \epsilon_k)^2 - (\hbar \omega_q)^2}$$

Attractive for  
 $\epsilon_k, \epsilon_{k+q} \in [\epsilon_F - \hbar \omega_D : \epsilon_F + \hbar \omega_D]$

$$H_{\text{red}} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_{k,k'} V_{k,k'} c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow} c_{k'\uparrow}$$

$$\Delta_k = \sum_{k'} V_{k,k'} \langle c_{-k'\downarrow} c_{k'\uparrow} \rangle$$

$$H_{\text{BCS}} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_k \Delta \left( c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow} \right)$$

# TIME-REVERSAL INVARIANCE

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$$\mathbf{k} \leftrightarrow -\mathbf{k}, \quad \uparrow \leftrightarrow \downarrow$$

Preserved in the presence of potential scattering.  
Preserved in the presence of spin-orbit coupling.

Broken by spin-dependent scattering.

Broken by magnetic field.

Broken by current flow.

# ANDERSON'S THEOREM

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Superconductivity in a conventional superconductor is robust with respect to (non-magnetic) disorder.  $T_c$  barely depends on material purity (in fact, it increases upon increasing disorder!).

# BOGOLIUBOV QUASIPARTICLES

$$H_{\text{BCS}} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_k \Delta \left( c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow} \right)$$

$$\gamma_{k\uparrow} = u_k c_{k\uparrow} - v_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger$$

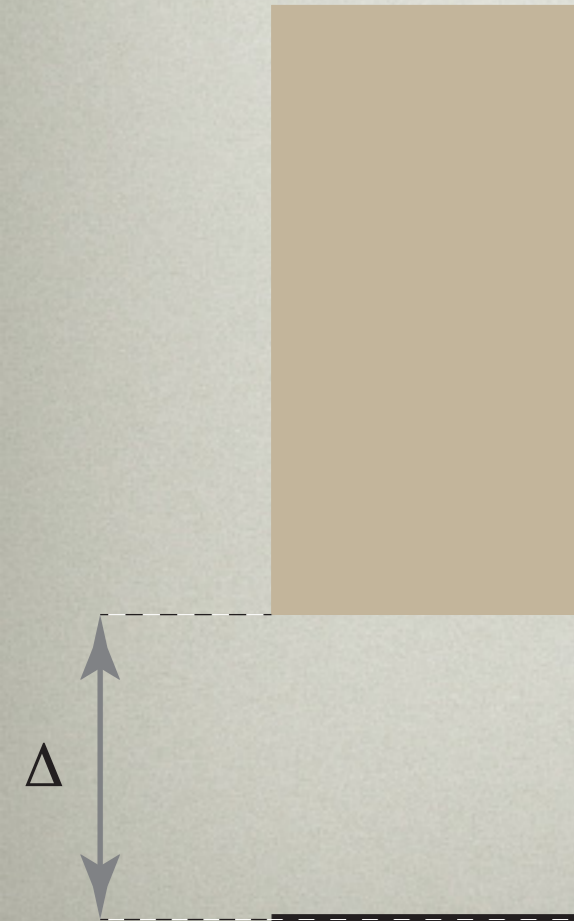
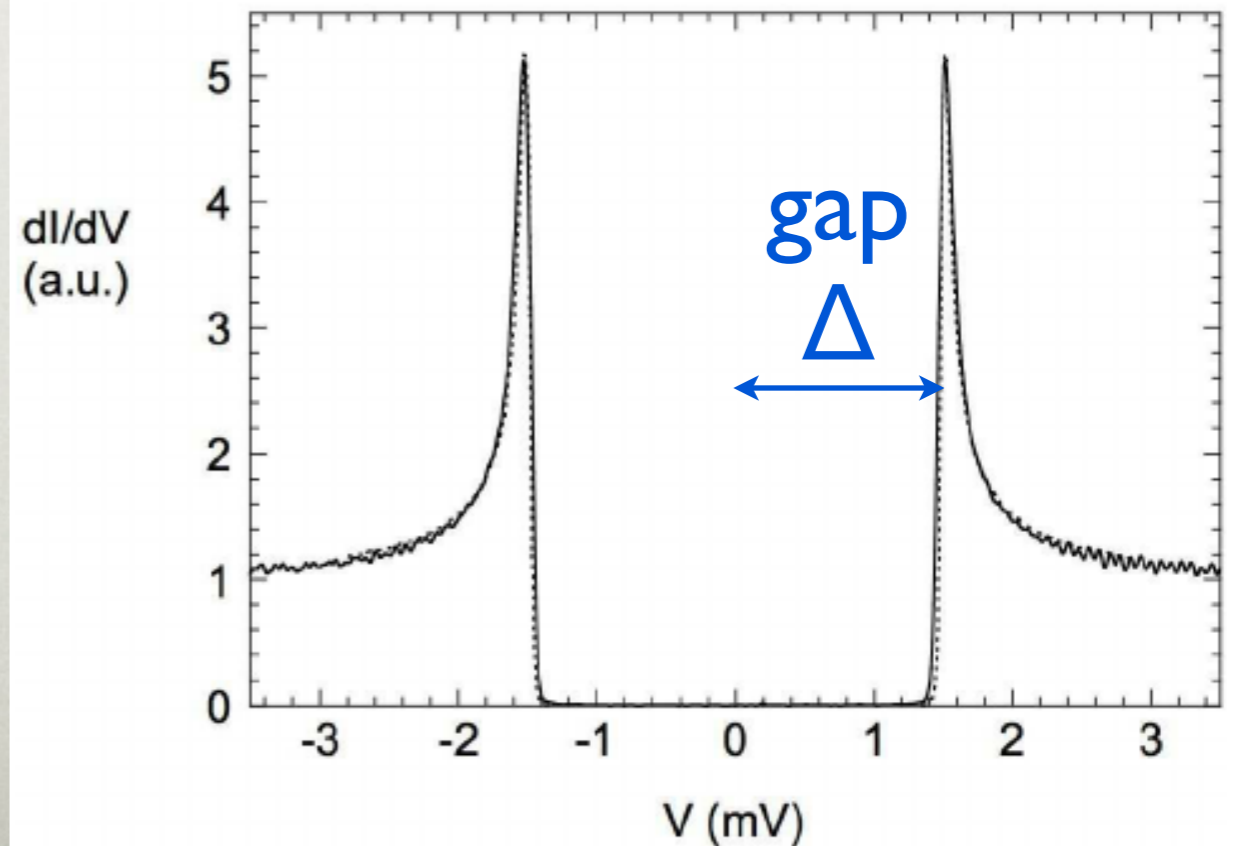
$$u_k^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{\epsilon_k}{\sqrt{\epsilon_k^2 + \Delta^2}} \right)$$

$$v_k^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon_k}{\sqrt{\epsilon_k^2 + \Delta^2}} \right)$$

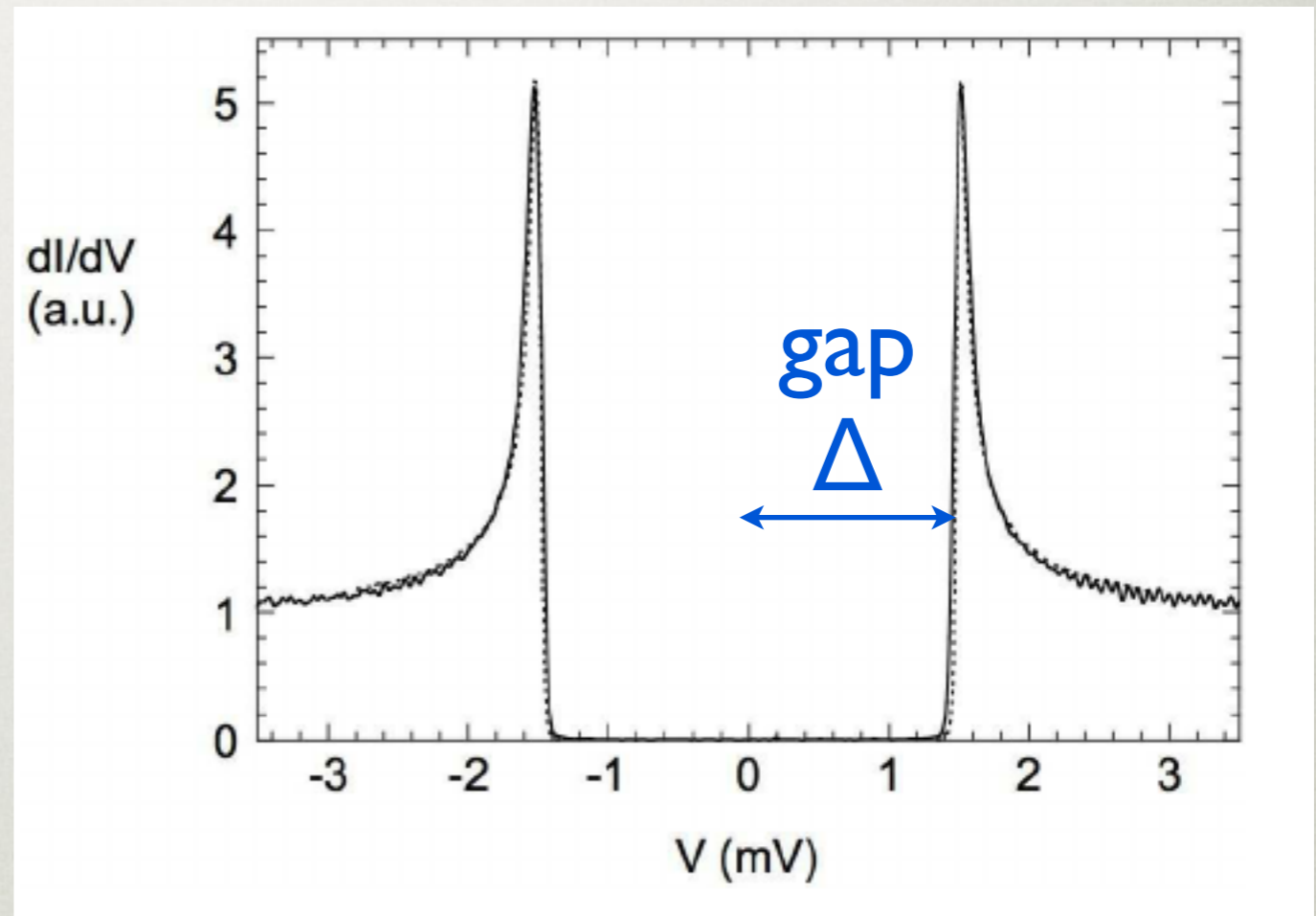
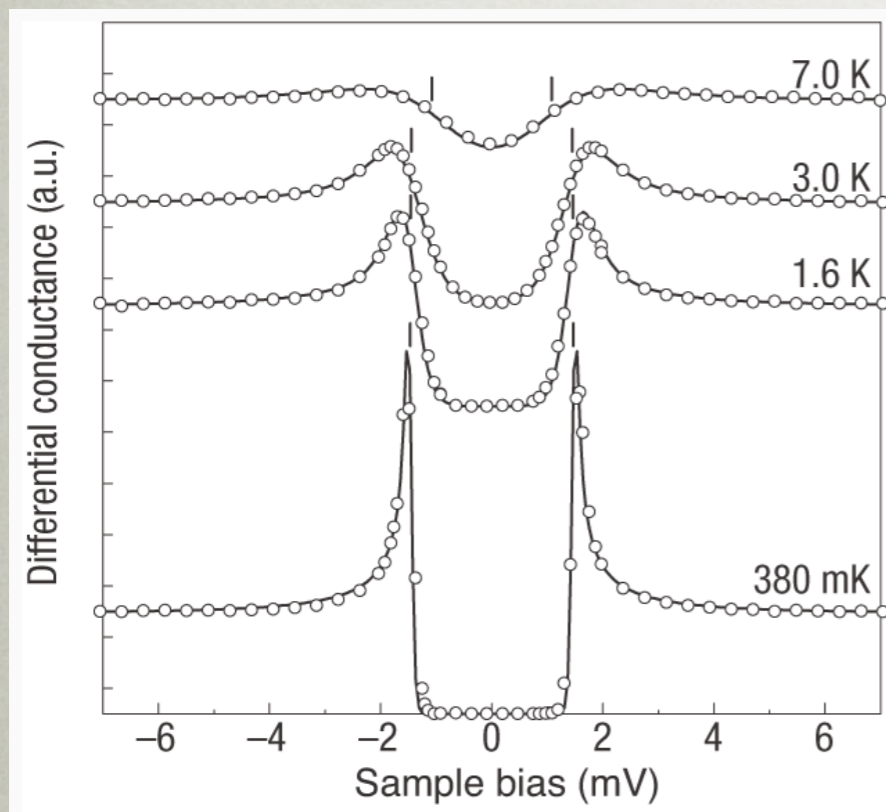
$$E_k = \sqrt{\epsilon_k^2 + \Delta^2}$$

quasiparticle continuum

ground state



# SUPERCONDUCTING GAP



Nb,  $T=170\text{mK}$ ,  $\Delta=1.5\text{meV}$

H. Courtois, Grenoble  
PRB (2005)

scanning tunneling microscope (STM)  $dI/dV$  spectra  
(proportional to the local density of states)



# NAMBU NOTATION

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dim=2 for B=0 and B along z-axis,  
dim=4 for general direction of B

$$\psi_k^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \\ c_{-k\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_k^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \\ c_{k\downarrow}^\dagger \\ c_{-k\uparrow} \\ c_{-k\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hamiltonian expressed in terms of 2x2 or 4x4 matrices.

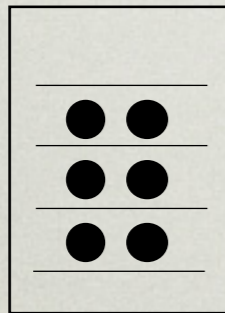
# RICHARDSON MODEL

charge-conserving Hamiltonian for superconducting grains

$$H = \sum_i \epsilon_i c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma} - \alpha d \sum_{i,j} c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i\downarrow}^\dagger c_{j\downarrow} c_{j\uparrow}$$

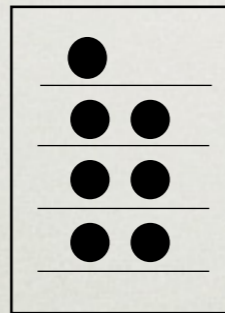
$\epsilon_i$ : coupling strength  
 $d$ : interlevel spacing  
 $c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i\downarrow}^\dagger c_{j\downarrow} c_{j\uparrow}$ : coupling between the time-reversal conjugate pairs!

even N:

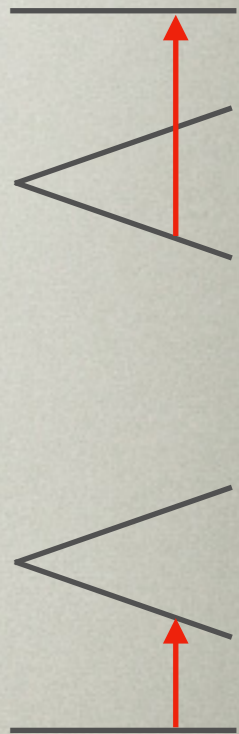
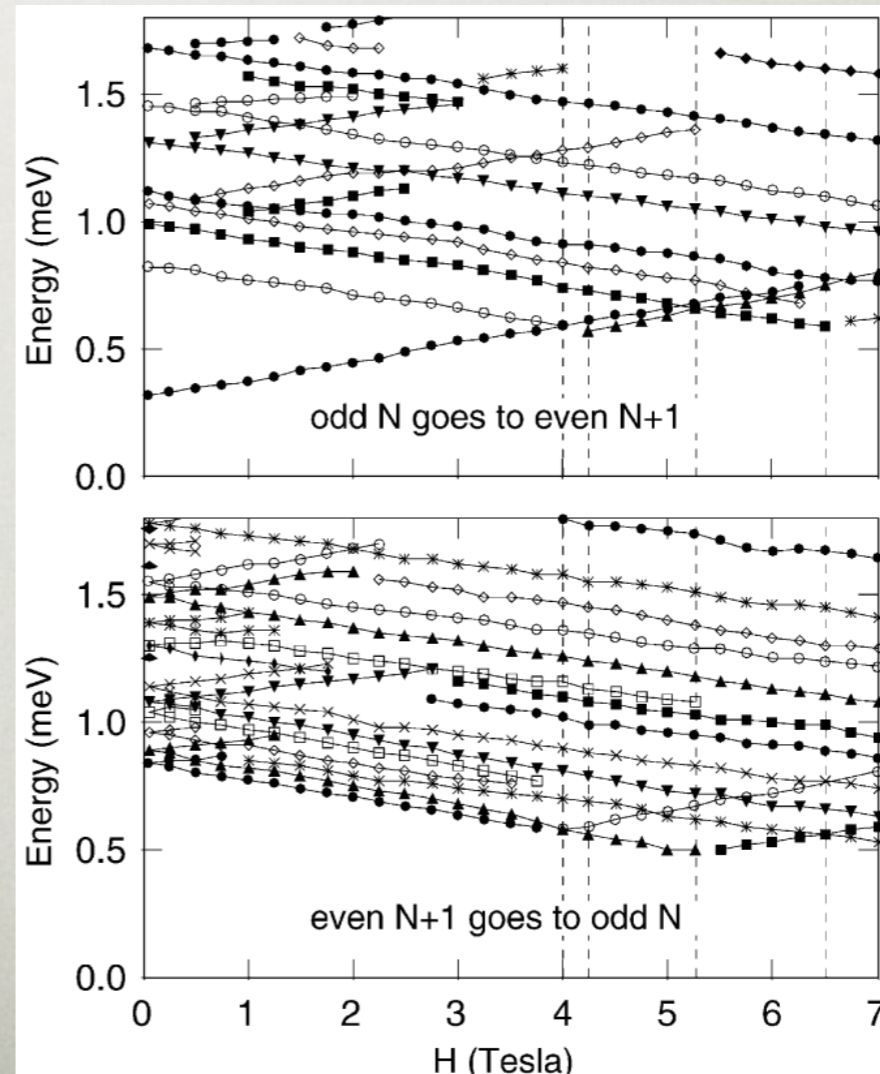
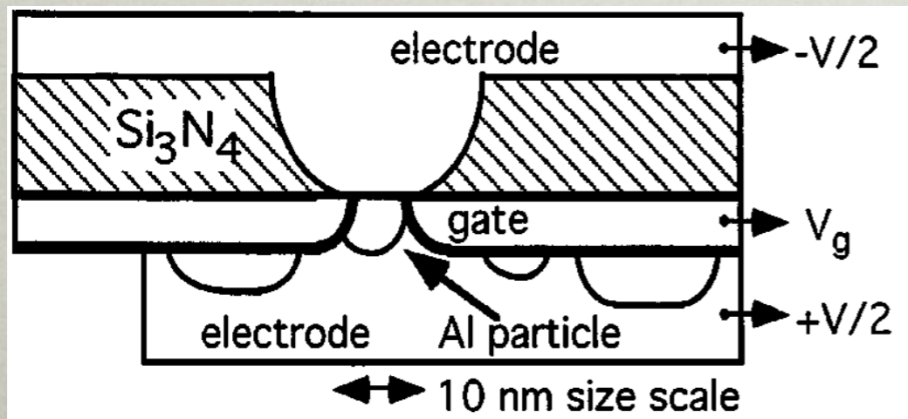


$S = 0$

odd N:



$S = 1/2$



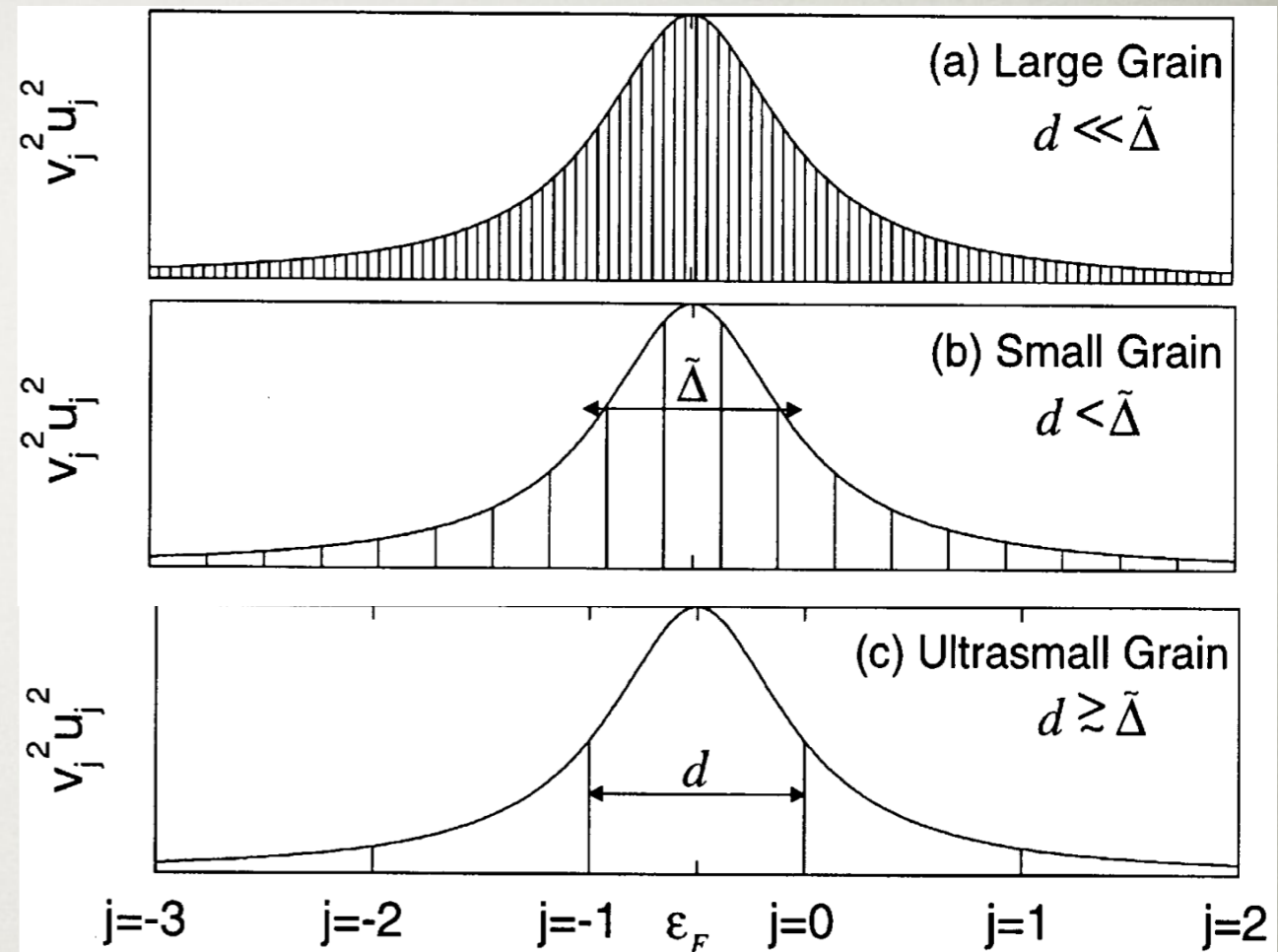
What is the smallest system size at which the superconductivity persists?

interlevel spacing  $d \propto \frac{1}{V}$

number of Cooper pairs =  $d/\Delta$

$$\frac{d}{\Delta} \approx 1$$

Anderson (1959)



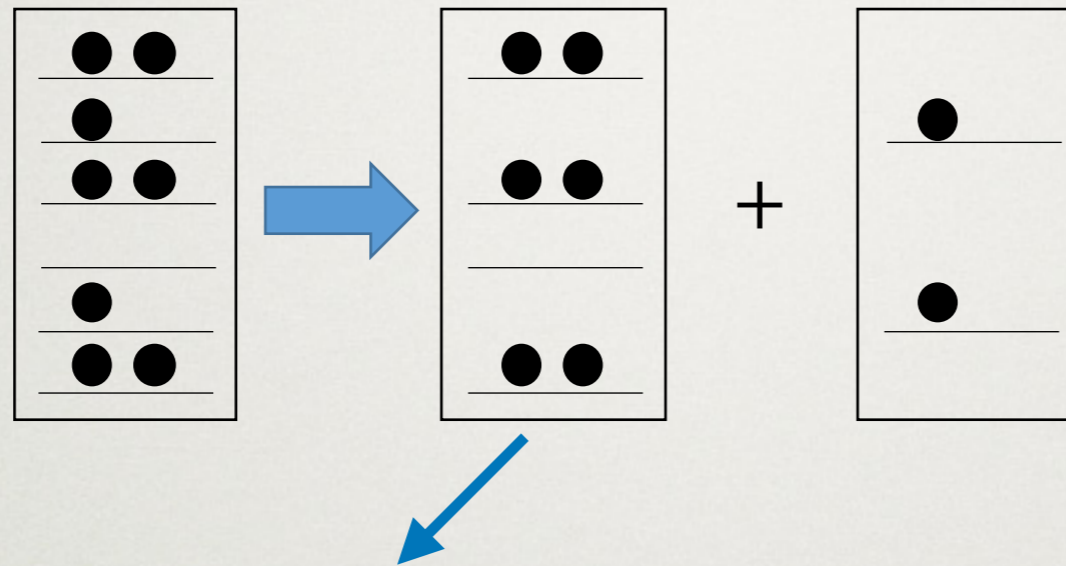
von Delft, Ralph, 2001

Averin, Nazarov (1992)  
 Jankó, Smith, Ambegaokar (1994)  
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 Mastellone, Falci, Fazio (1998)  
 Braun, von Delft (1998,1999)  
 Dukelsky, Sierra (1999,2000)

Tuominen, Hergenrother, Tighe, Tinkham (1992)  
 Lafarge, Joyez, Esteve, Urbina, Devoret (1993)  
 Eiles, Martinis, Devoret (1993)

# EXACT SOLUTION OF RICHARDSON MODEL



single-occupied levels are inert  
(**blocking effect!**)

$$H = \sum_{ij} (2\epsilon_i \delta_{ij} - \alpha d) b_i^\dagger b_j$$

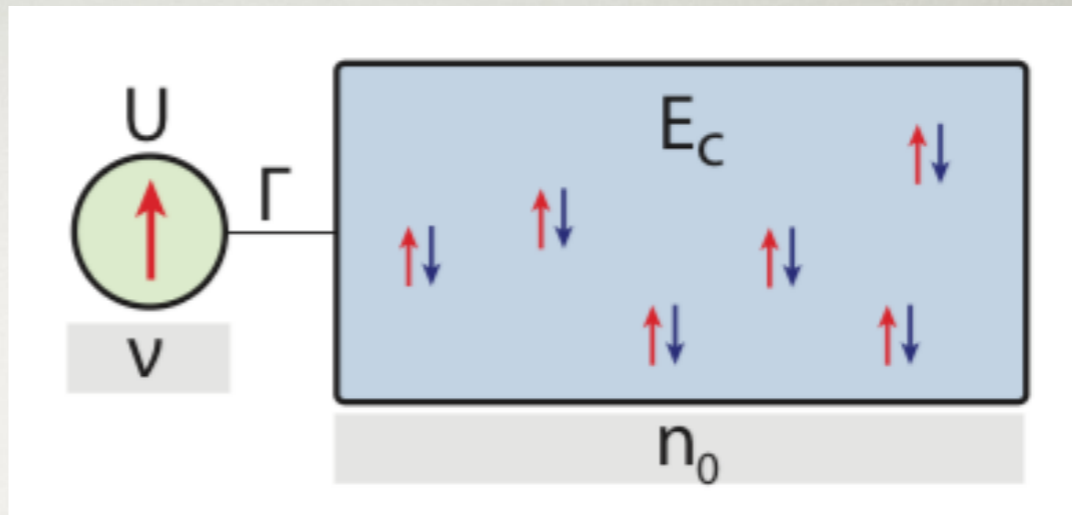
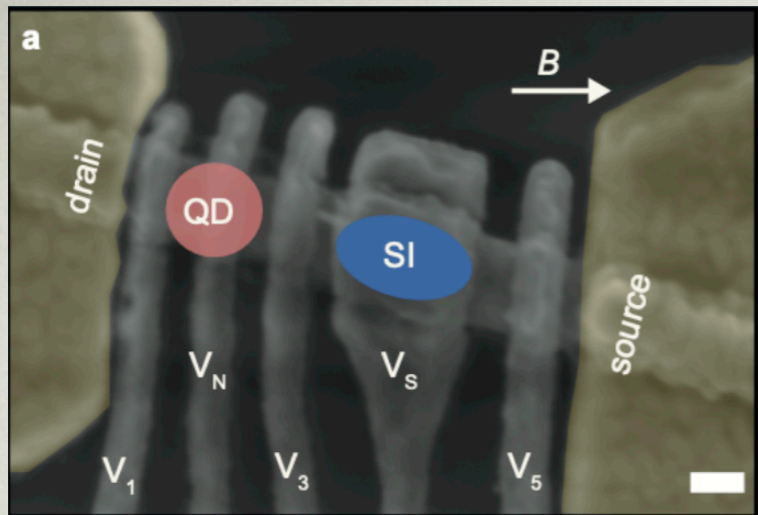
$$b_i^\dagger = c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i\downarrow}^\dagger$$

hard-core bosons

$$|\psi\rangle = \prod_{\alpha} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{b_i^\dagger}{2\epsilon_i - E_{\alpha}} \right) |0\rangle$$

eigenvalue equation:

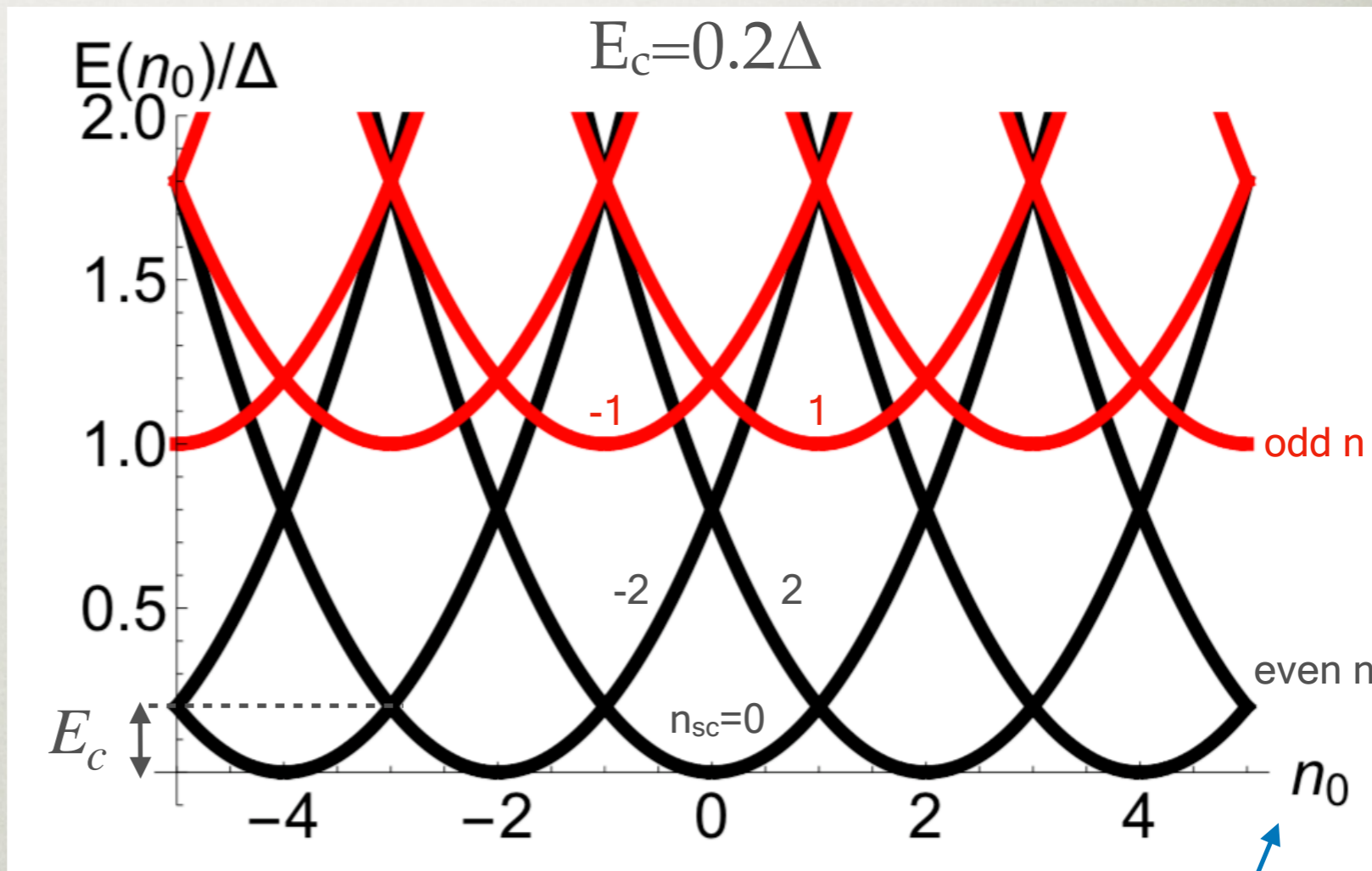
$$\frac{1}{\alpha d} - \sum_j \frac{1}{2\epsilon_j - E_{\nu}} + \sum_{\mu \neq \nu} \frac{2}{E_{\mu} - E_{\nu}} = 0$$



$$E_c (\hat{n}_{sc} - n_0)^2$$

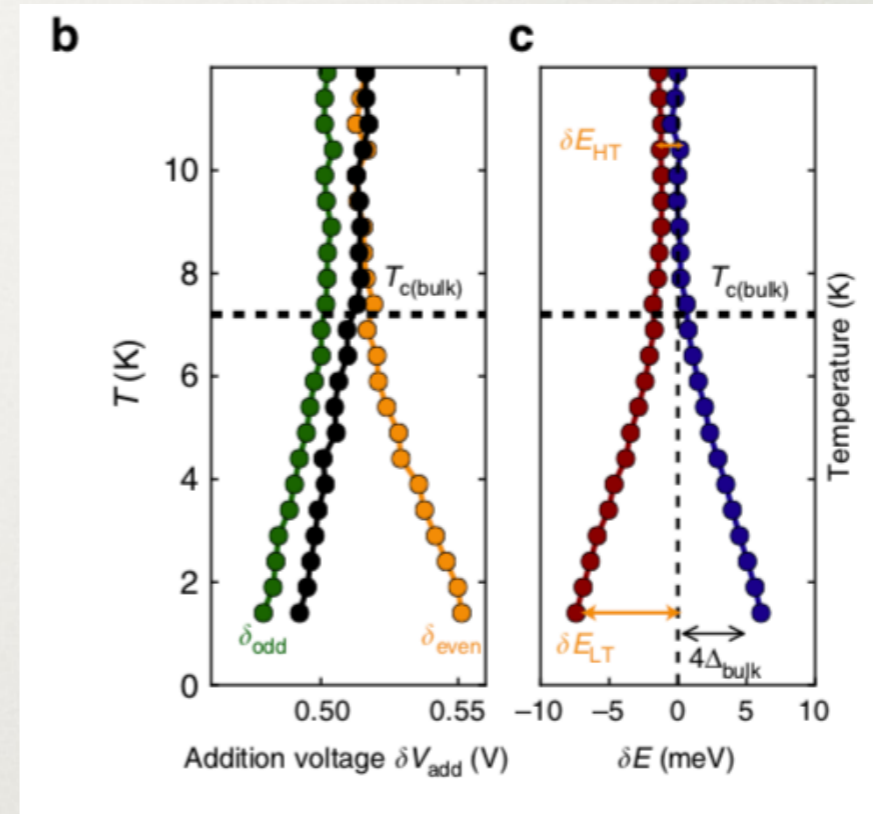
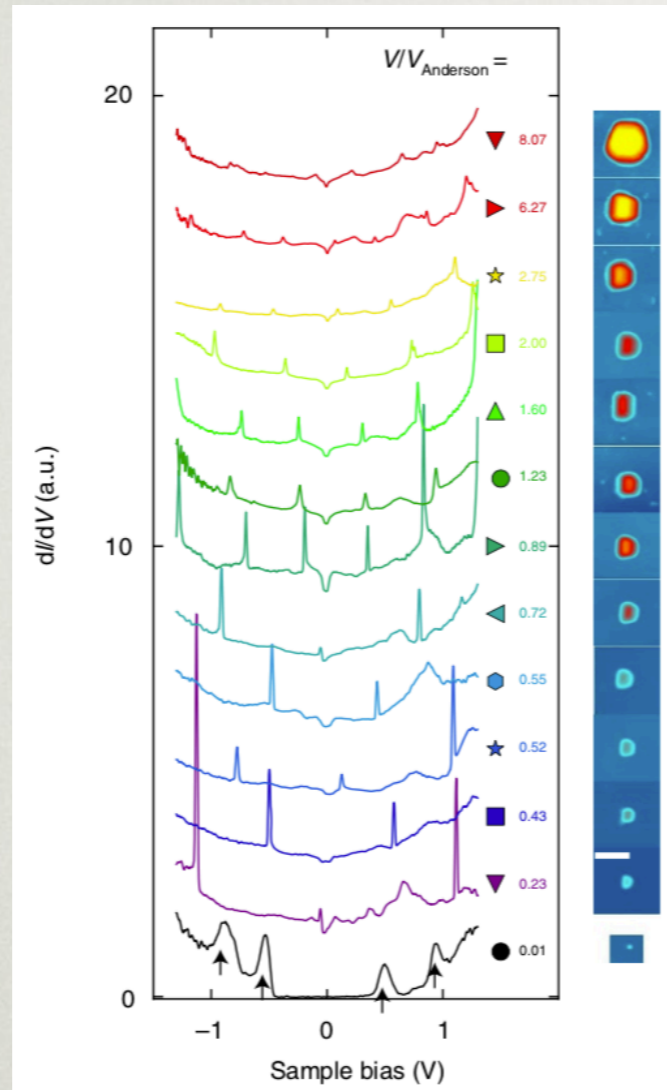
$$E_c = \frac{e_0^2}{2C}$$

charging energy



energy-level / gate-voltage expressed in units of electron number

# PB ISLANDS ON INAs(110)



	NC Volume [nm <sup>3</sup> ]	NC Height [nm]	NC Area [nm <sup>2</sup> ]	$E_C$ [meV]	$\delta_{F1}$ [meV]	$\delta_{F2}$ [meV]	$E_{\text{Thouless}}$ [meV]
I	807	5.5	324	14	0.2	0.14	44
II	627	5	278	15	0.3	0.18	48
III	275	3.8	172	35	0.6	0.4	63
IV	160	2.5	120	52	1.1	0.7	75
V	10	0.7	15	200	17	11	191
VI	1.5	0.4	5	1040	123	77	364

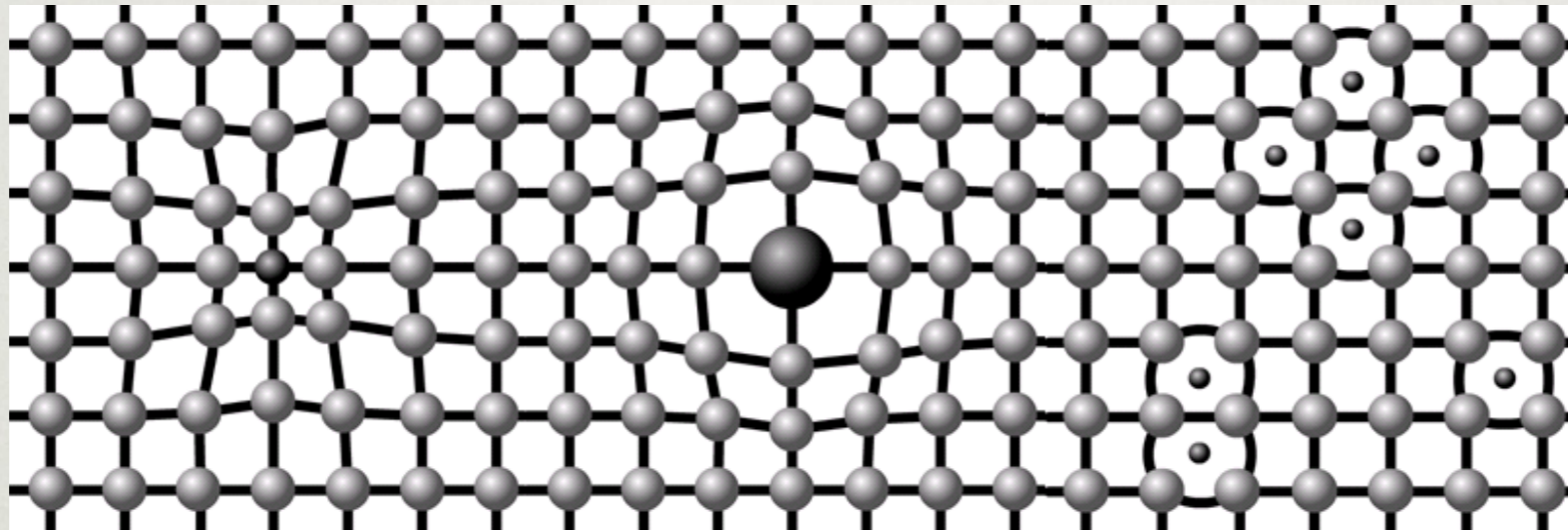
# CHARGE-PHASE DUALITY

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$$\Delta\phi \cdot \Delta N \gtrsim 1$$

# DEFECTS IN SUPERCONDUCTORS

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Non-magnetic: hardly any effect (Anderson's theorem)

Clean superconductor: pairing between  $k\uparrow$  and  $-k\downarrow$  Bloch states

Dirty superconductor: pairing between time-reversal partners

Magnetic: broken time-reversal symmetry, pair-breaking effect



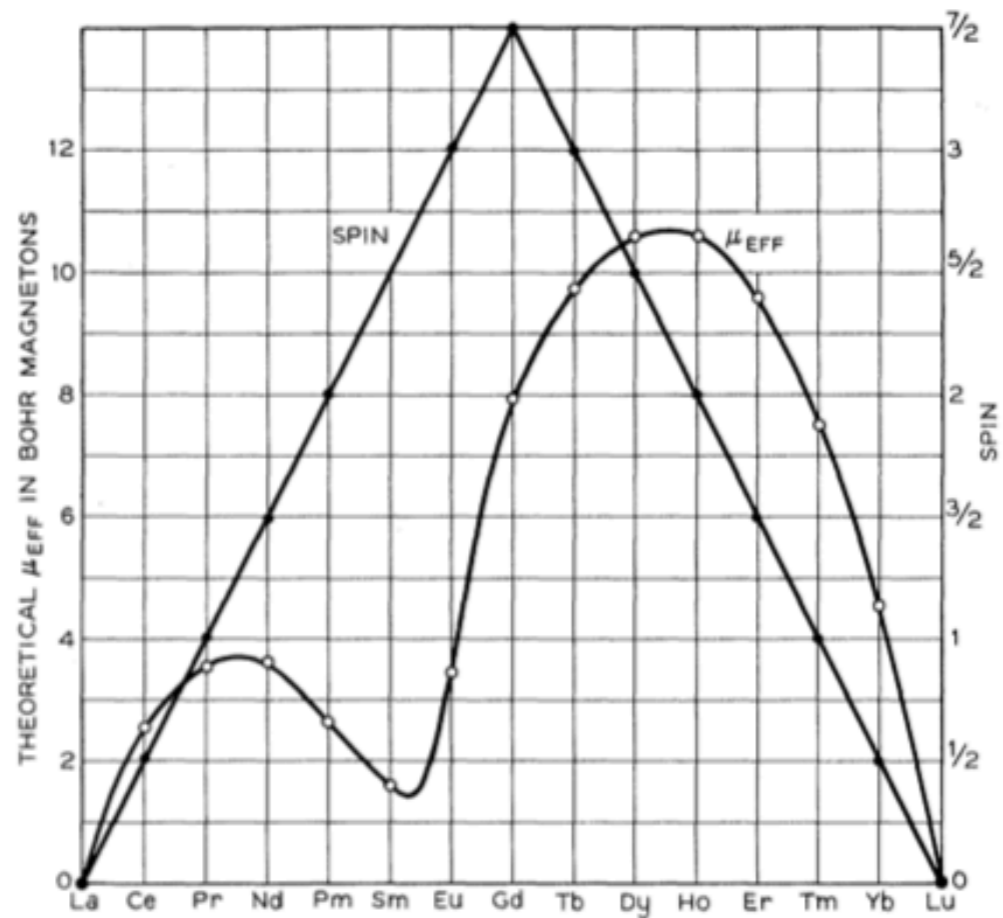


FIG. 1. Effective magnetic moments and spins of the rare earth elements (see reference 2).

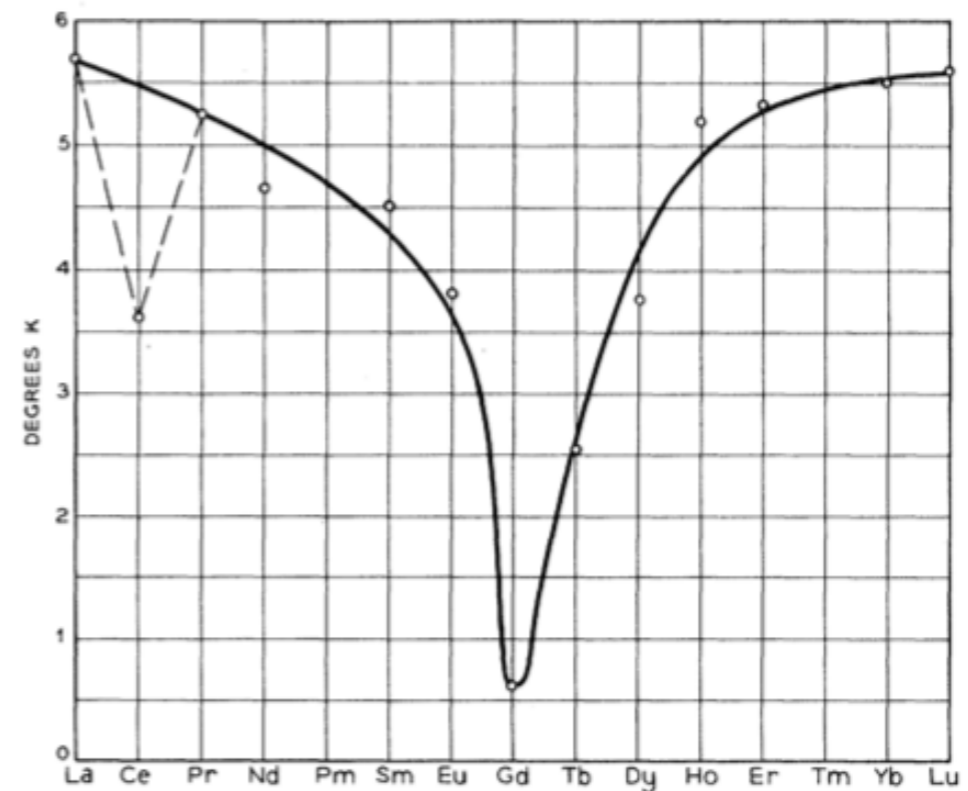


FIG. 2. Superconducting transition temperatures of 1% rare earth solid solutions in lanthanum.

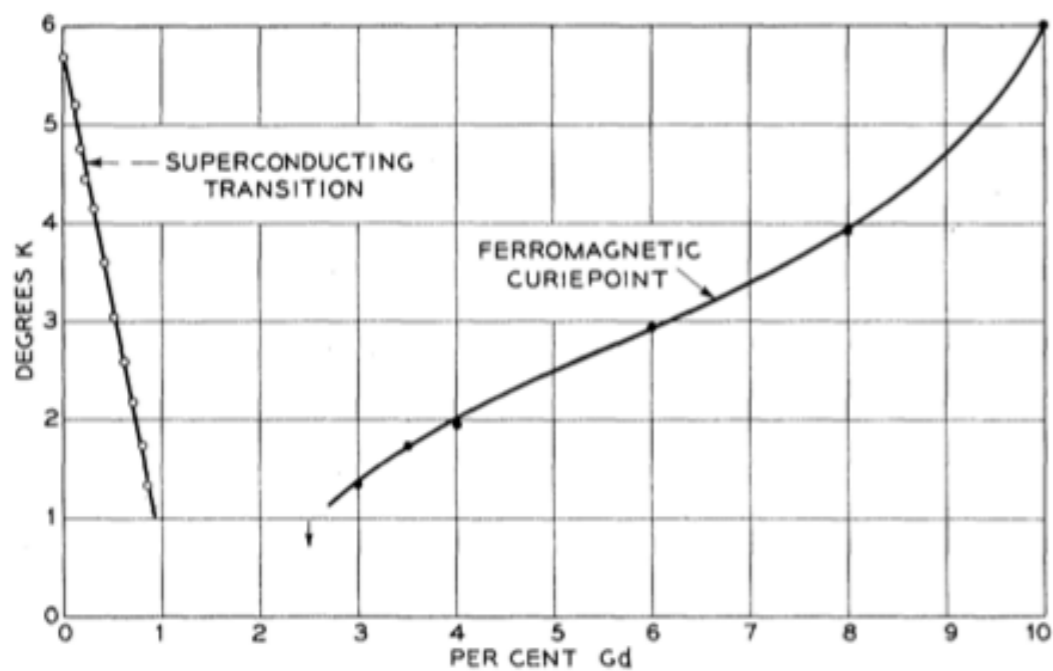


FIG. 3. Ferromagnetic and superconducting transition temperatures of solid solutions of gadolinium in lanthanum.

- individual impurities involved
- exchange scattering (spin d.o.f.)
- coupling to itinerant bulk states

Matthias, Suhl, Corenzwit (1958)

$$H_{\text{BCS}} = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_k \Delta \left( c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{-k\downarrow} c_{k\uparrow} \right)$$

$$H_{\text{imp}} = J\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{s}(\mathbf{r} = 0)$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{s} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{kk'} c_k^\dagger \left( \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right) c_{k'} = f_0^\dagger \left( \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right) f_0$$

This is Kondo model with superconducting bath.  
 Difficult non-perturbative many-body problem!

Classical limit:  $S \rightarrow \infty, JS = \text{const}$

$$J \langle i | S^+ | j \rangle \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{S}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \text{effectively a static local magnetic field of strength } B_{\text{eff}} = JS$$

How do quasiparticles scatter on a static point-like magnetic moment?

$$\gamma_{k\uparrow} = u_k c_{k\uparrow} - v_k c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger$$

Spin-dependent potential scattering:  
attractive for one spin orientation, repulsive for the other.

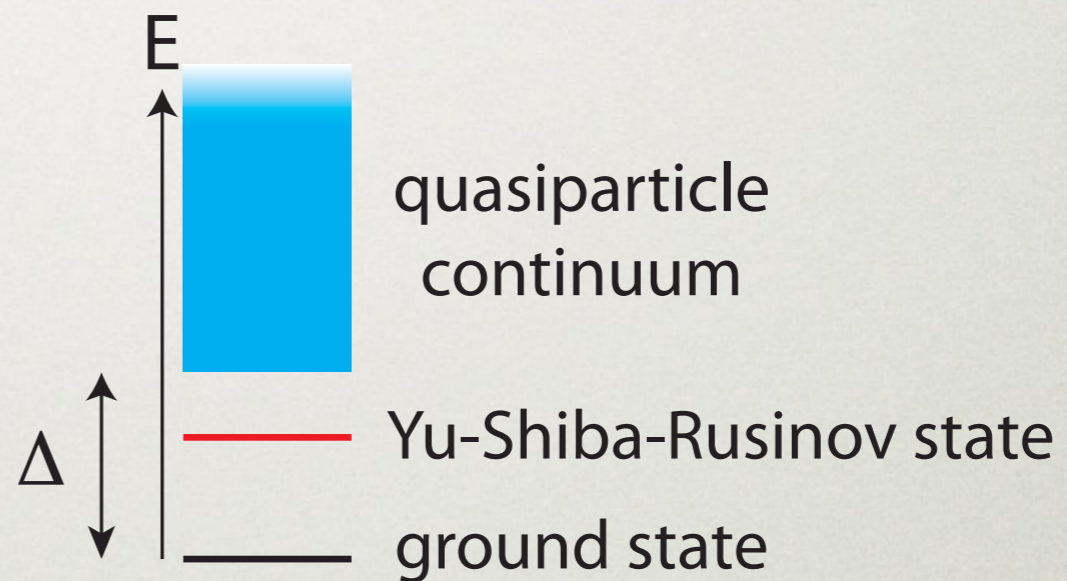
Attractive potential for s-wave Bogoliubov wavefunctions  
has a bound state for any J!

# YU-SHIBA-RUSINOV STATES

Magnetic impurity creates a bound state inside the superconducting gap (= subgap state).

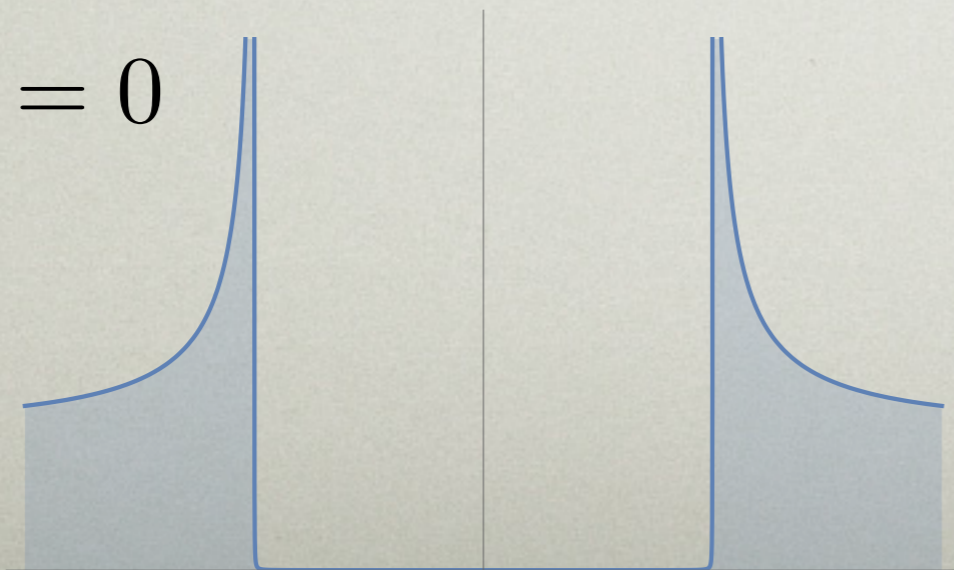
$$E_{\text{YSR}} = \Delta \frac{1 - \alpha^2}{1 + \alpha^2}$$

$$\alpha = JS\pi\rho/2$$

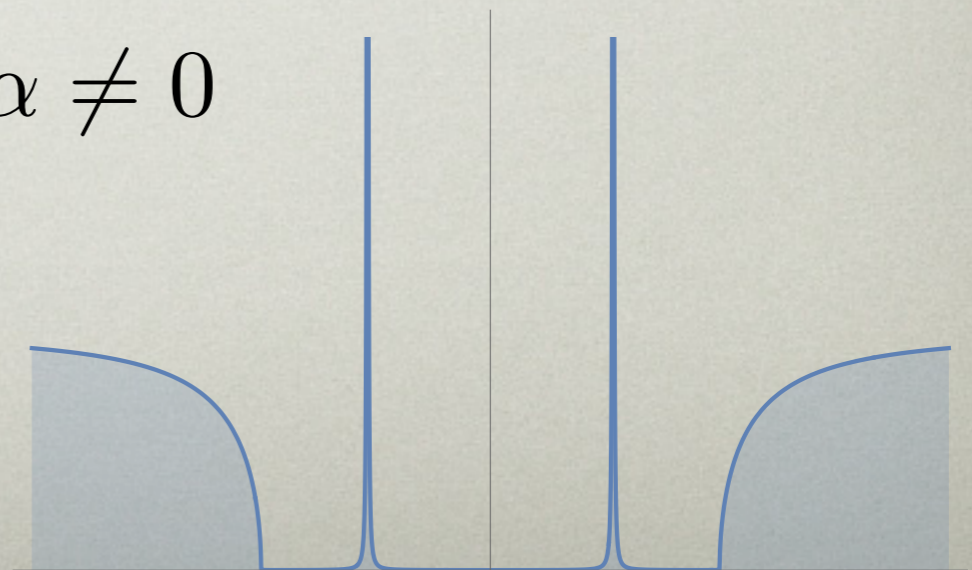


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H. Shiba, Prog. Theor. Phys. (1968)  
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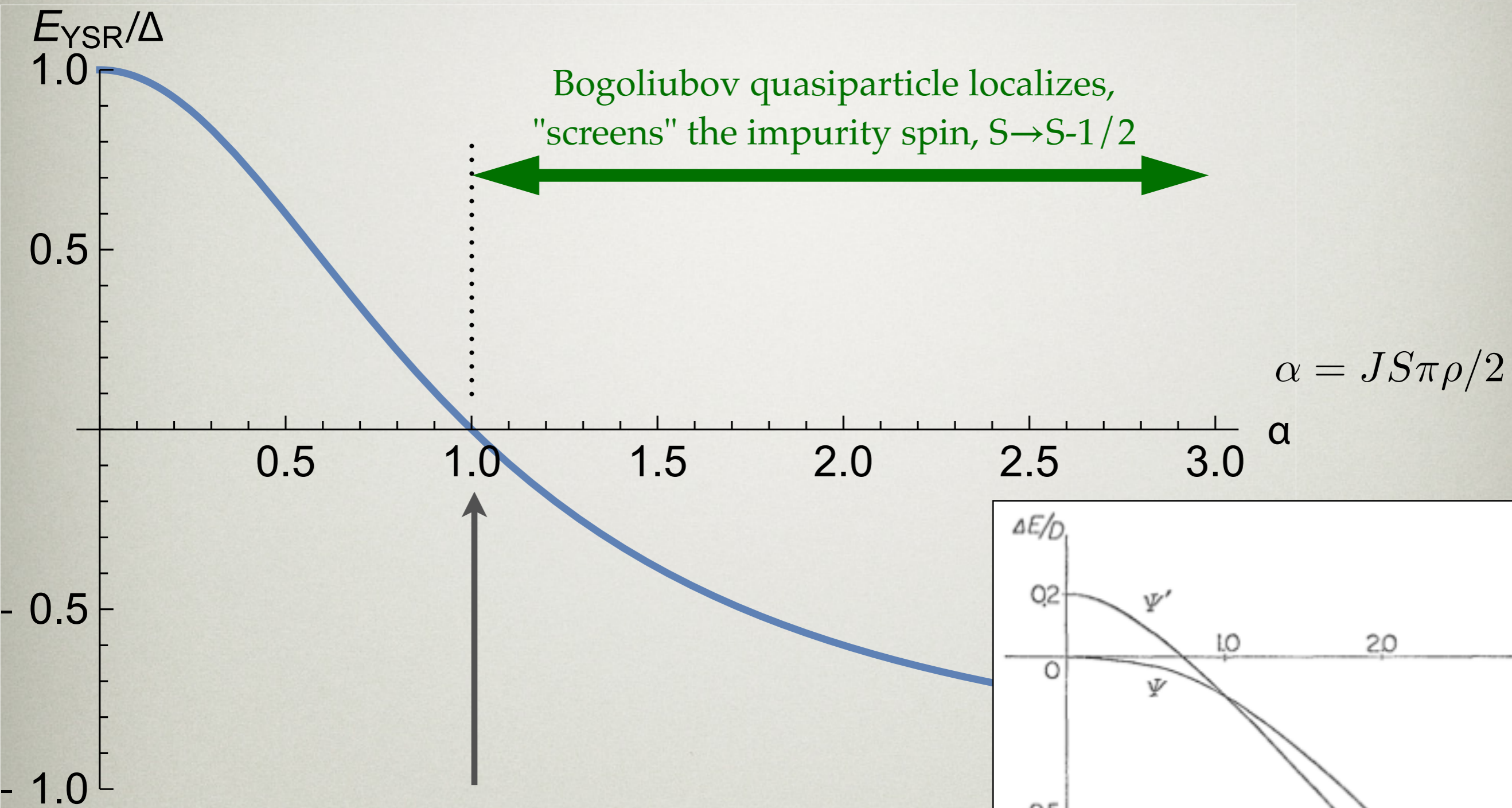
$\alpha = 0$



$\alpha \neq 0$

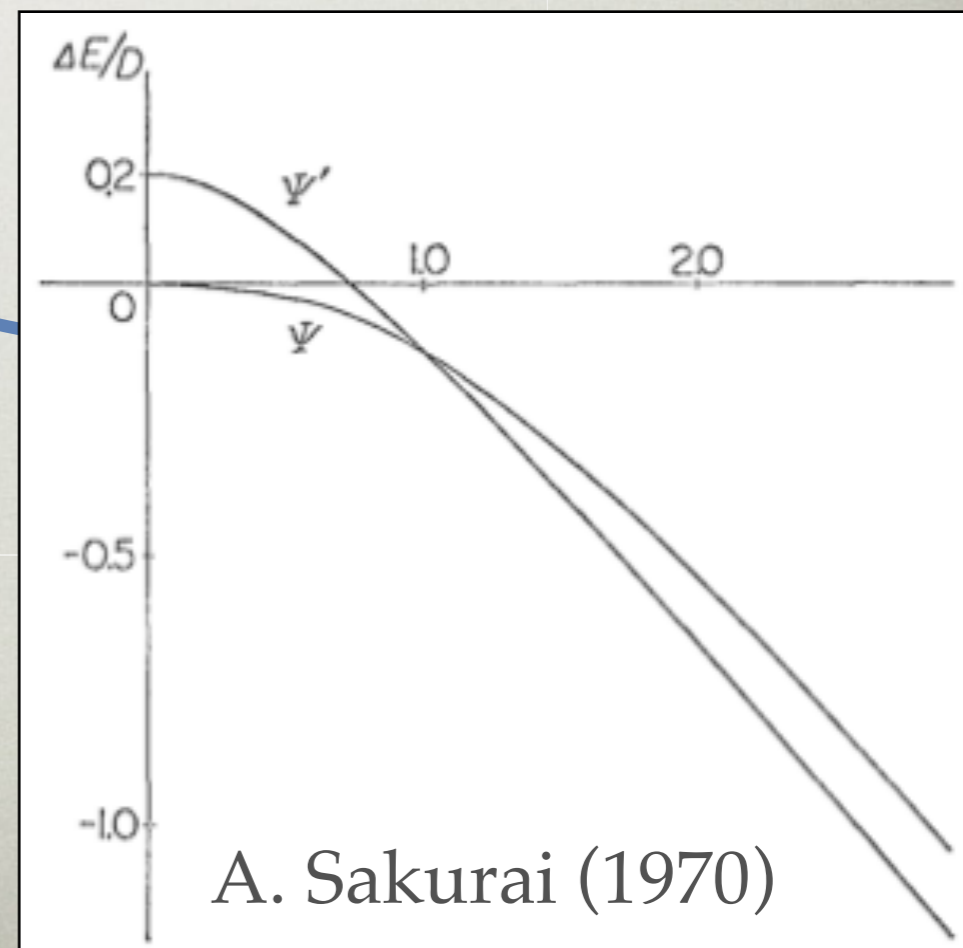


$$S \rightarrow \infty$$



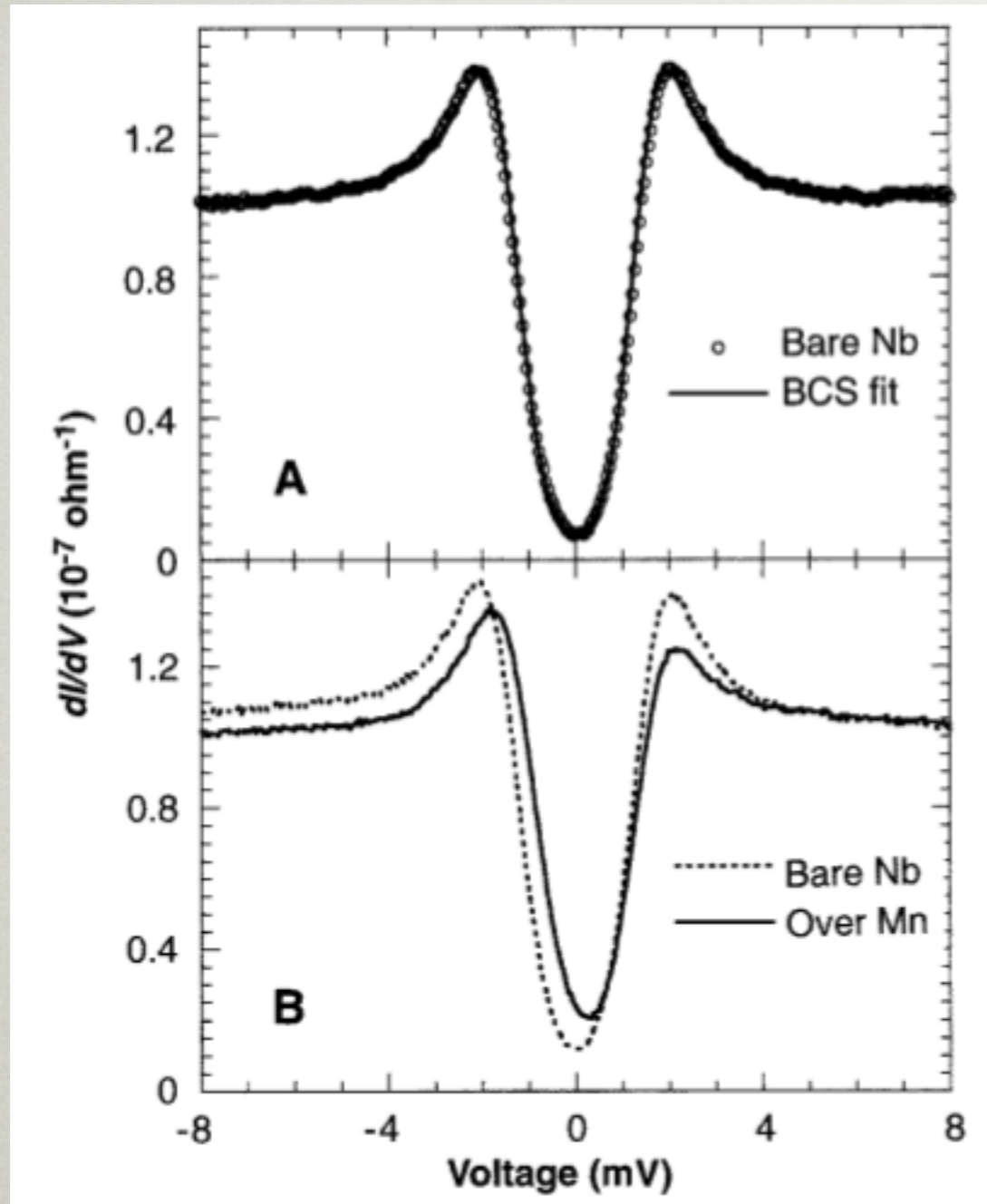
parity-changing  
quantum phase transition

(level crossing, first order)



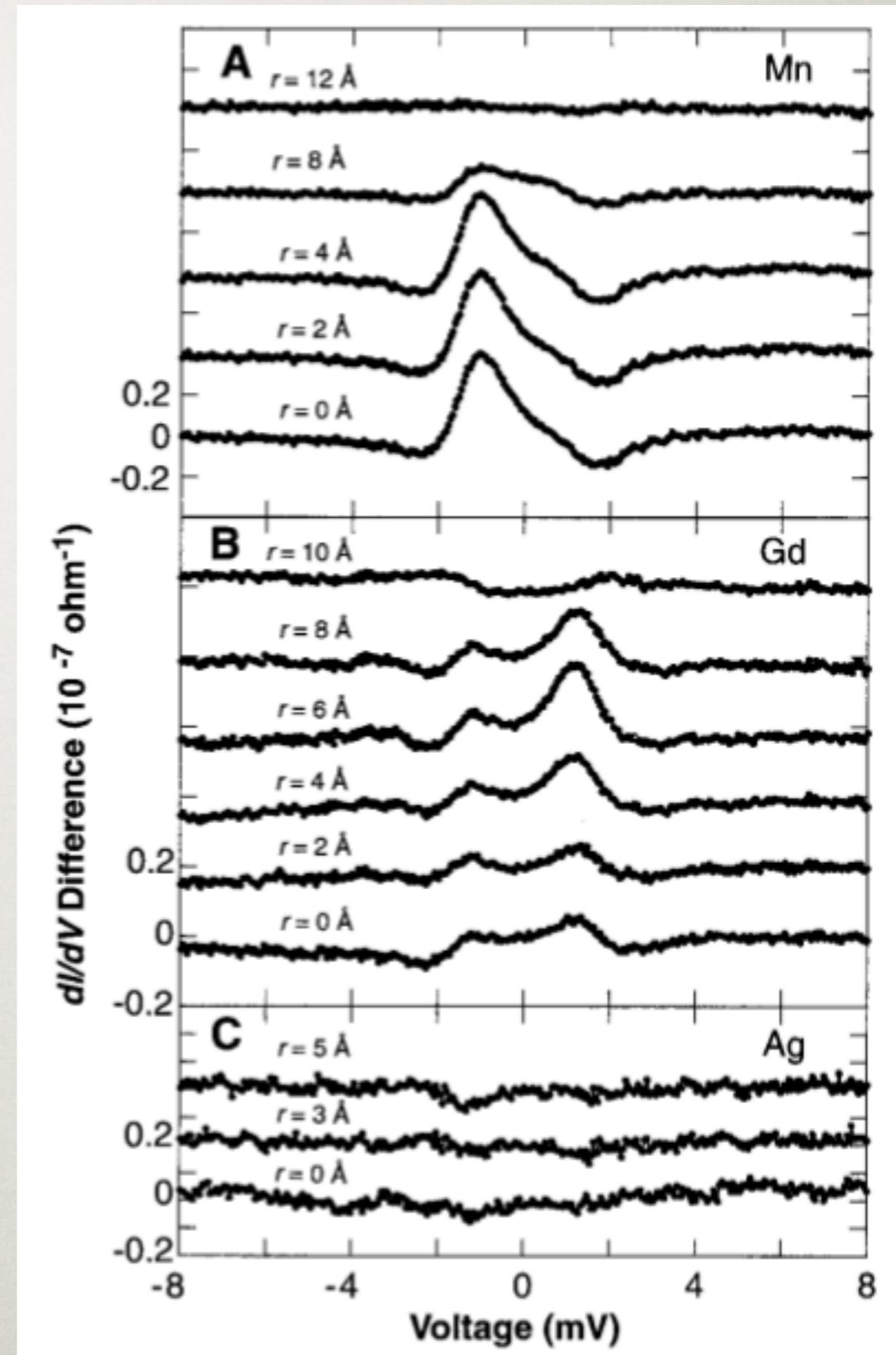
A. Sakurai (1970)

# SINGLE MAGNETIC ATOMS ADSORBED ON Nb SURFACE

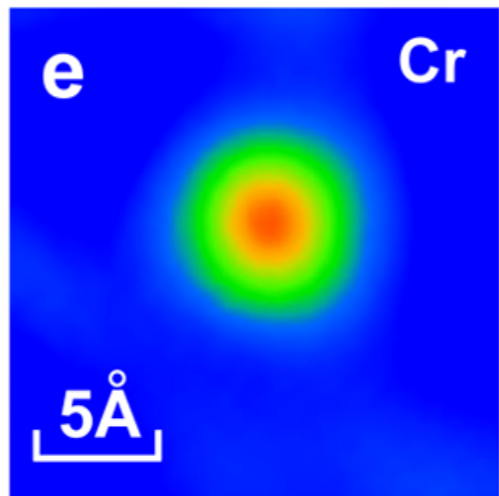
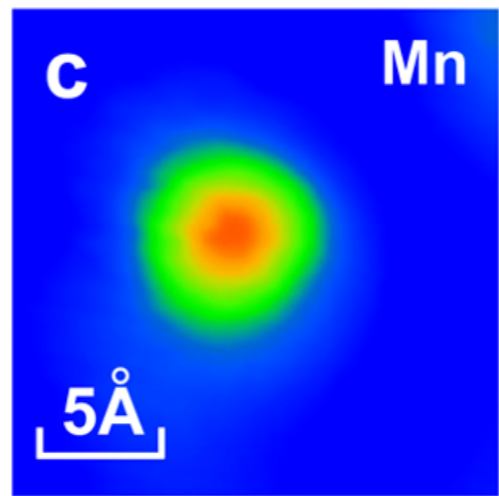
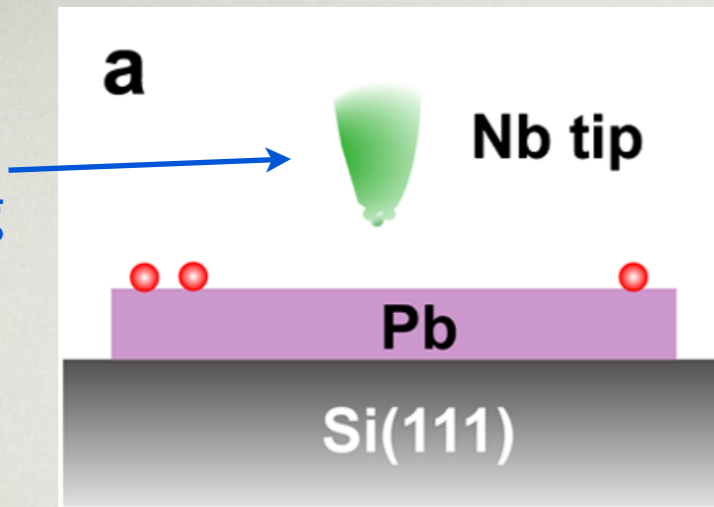


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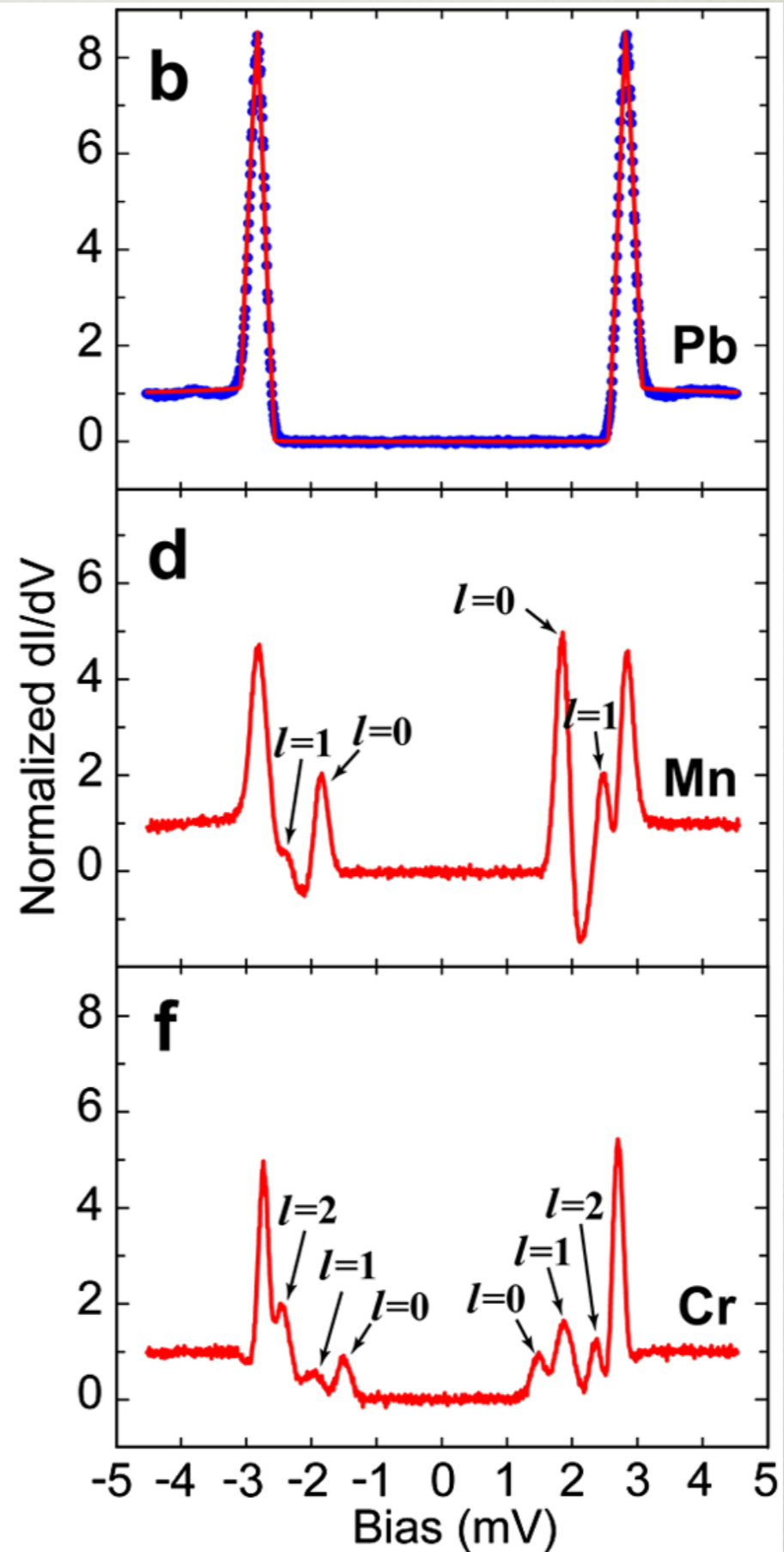
$T_c(\text{Nb})\sim 9.2\text{K}$



TRICK:  
superconducting  
STM tip



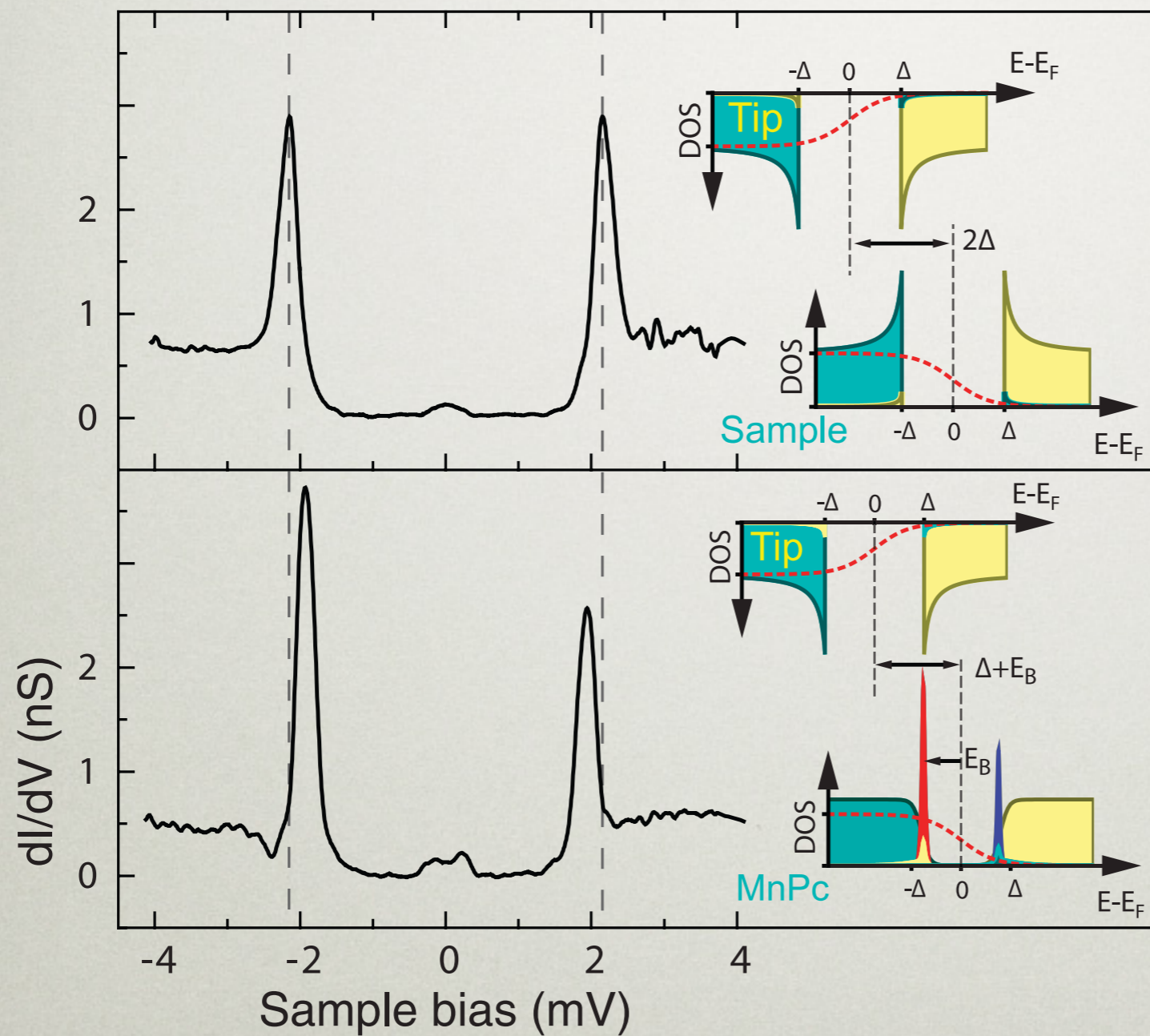
HI  LO



$T=400\text{mK}$

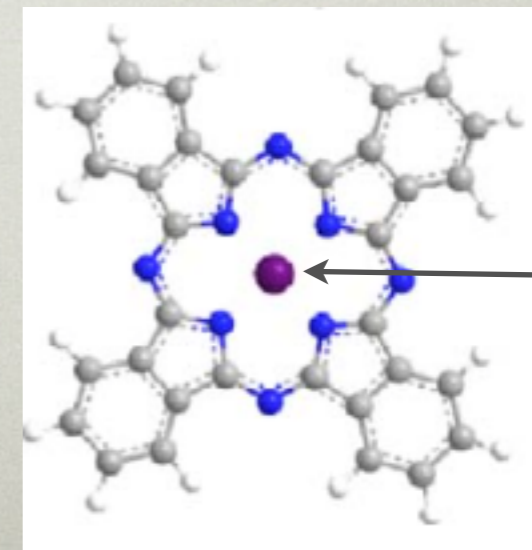
$T_c(\text{Pb})\sim 7.2\text{K}$

# MAGNETIC MOLECULES ON SURFACES OF SUPERCONDUCTORS



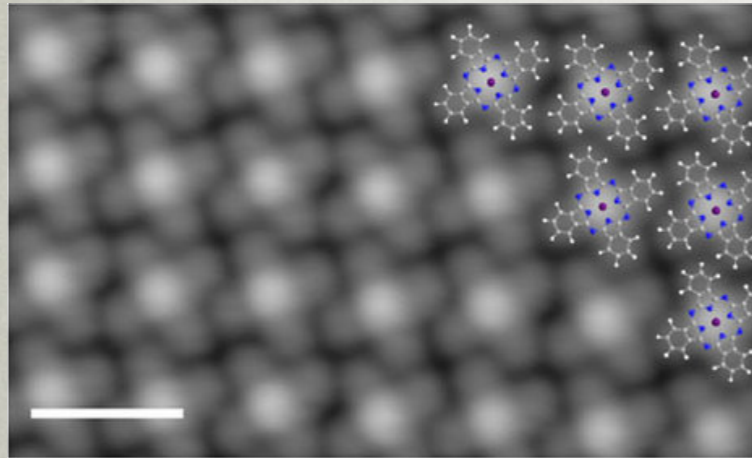
clean Pb(111)

MnPc/Pb(111)

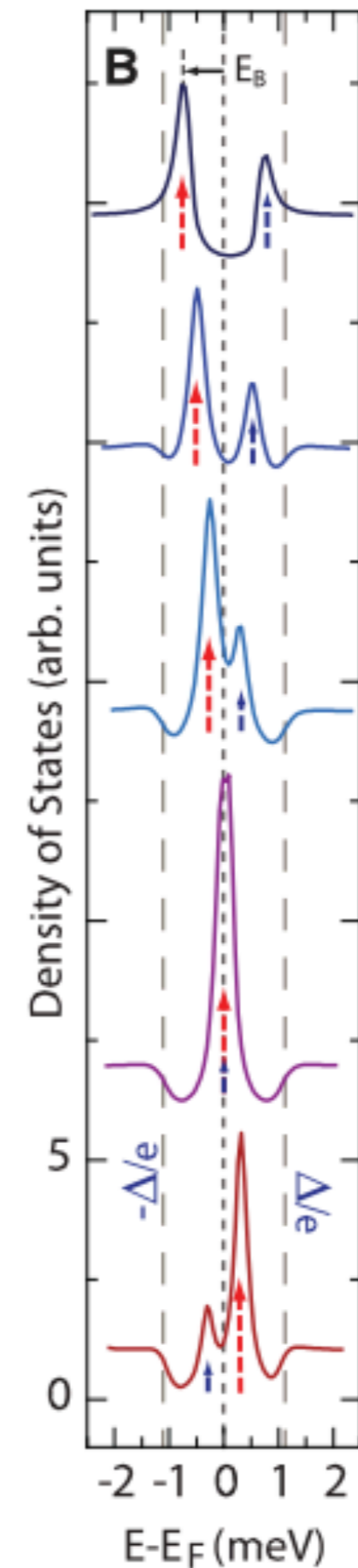
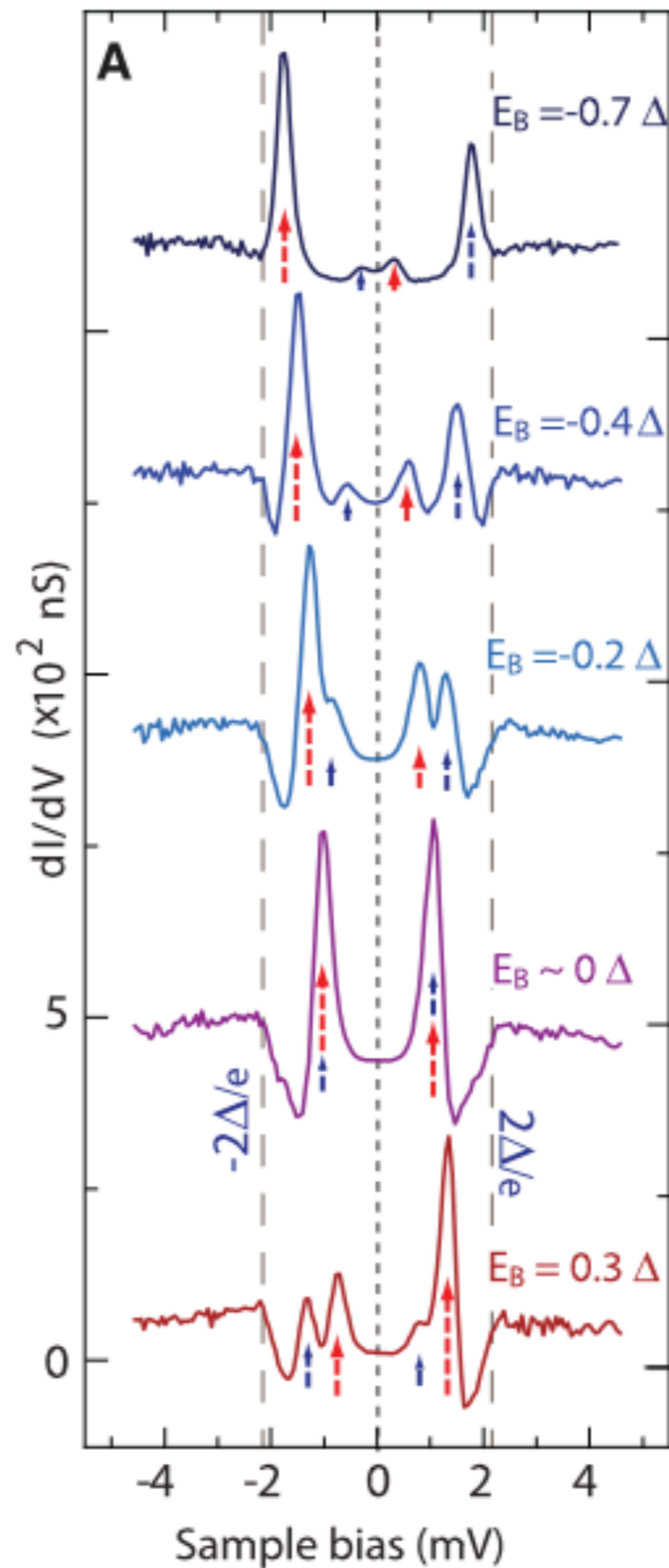


spin center





Moiré-like structure:  
molecules have different  
binding strengths  
to the substrate



# QUANTUM IMPURITY

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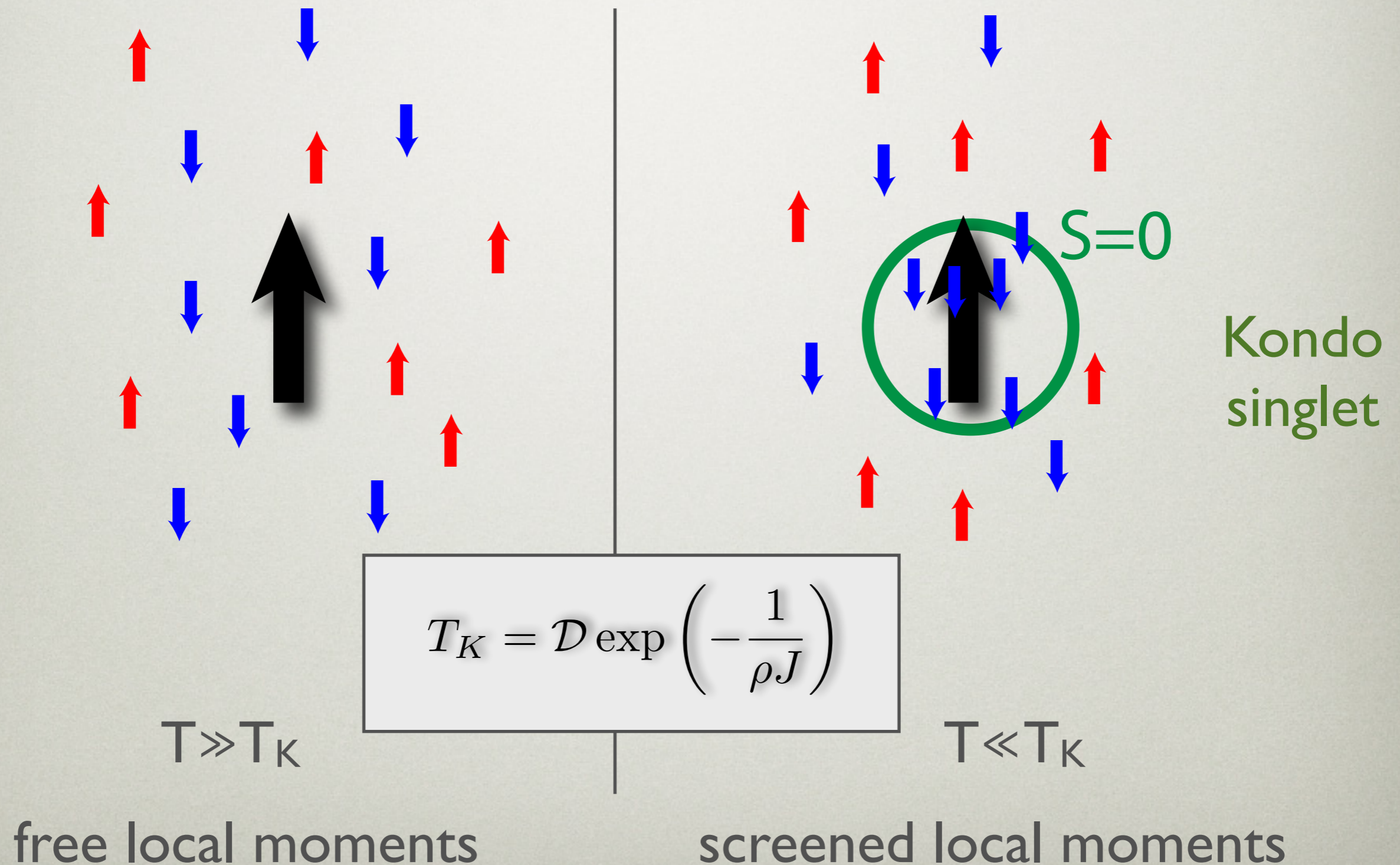
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Quantum impurities have **internal dynamics**: spin can flip!

# QUANTUM IMPURITY IN A NORMAL METAL: THE KONDO EFFECT



## Part II: methods

# **NRG FOR BCS MEAN-FIELD BATH**

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# HYBRIDISATION FUNCTION FOR SUPERCONDUCTING BATHS

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$$\Delta(z) = \frac{V^2}{z^2 - [(\epsilon - \mu)^2 + \Delta^2]} \begin{pmatrix} z + (\epsilon - \mu) & -\Delta \\ -\Delta & z - (\epsilon - \mu) \end{pmatrix}$$

# Generalization of ODE discretization scheme to (Nambu) matrix case

Normal state: 
$$\Delta(z) = \sum_k |V_k|^2 g_k(z) \quad g_k(z) = \frac{1}{z - \epsilon_k}$$

SC state: 
$$\Delta = \sum_k |V_k|^2 \mathbf{g}_k(z) \quad \mathbf{g}_k^{-1}(z) = z\mathbf{1} - \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_k & -\Delta_k \\ -\Delta_k & -\epsilon_k \end{pmatrix}$$

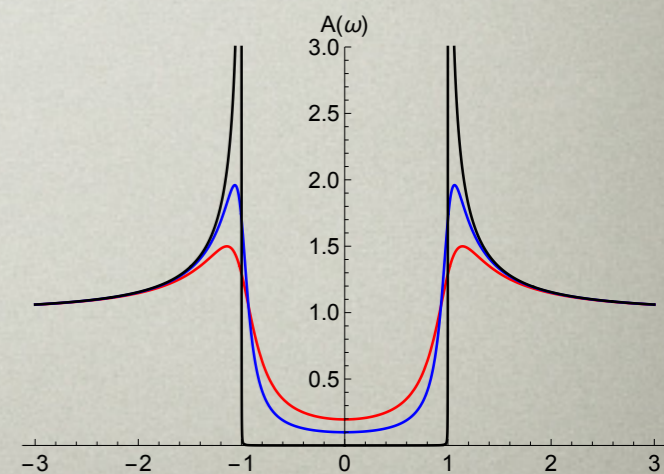
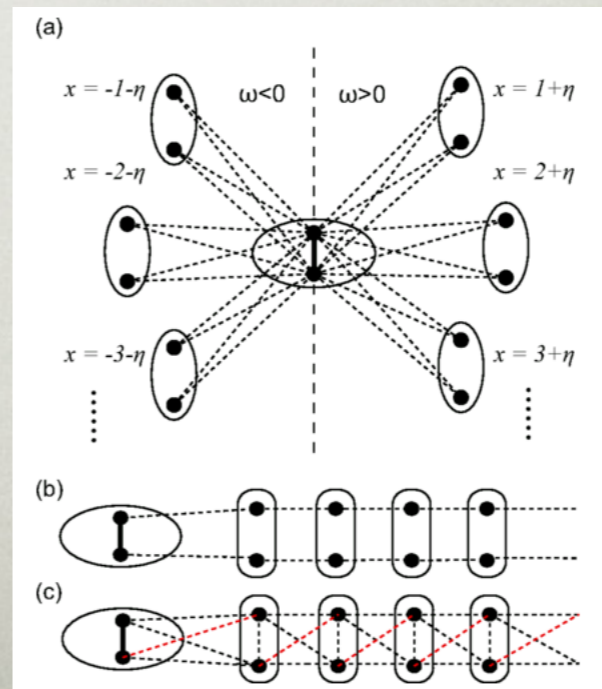
Additive quantity in presence of multiple (either N or SC) channels:

$$\Delta = \sum_{\alpha} \Delta_{\alpha}$$

Quantum impurities in channel mixing baths  
 Jin-Guo Liu, Da Wang, Qiang-Hua Wang  
 Phys. Rev. B 93, 035102 (2016)

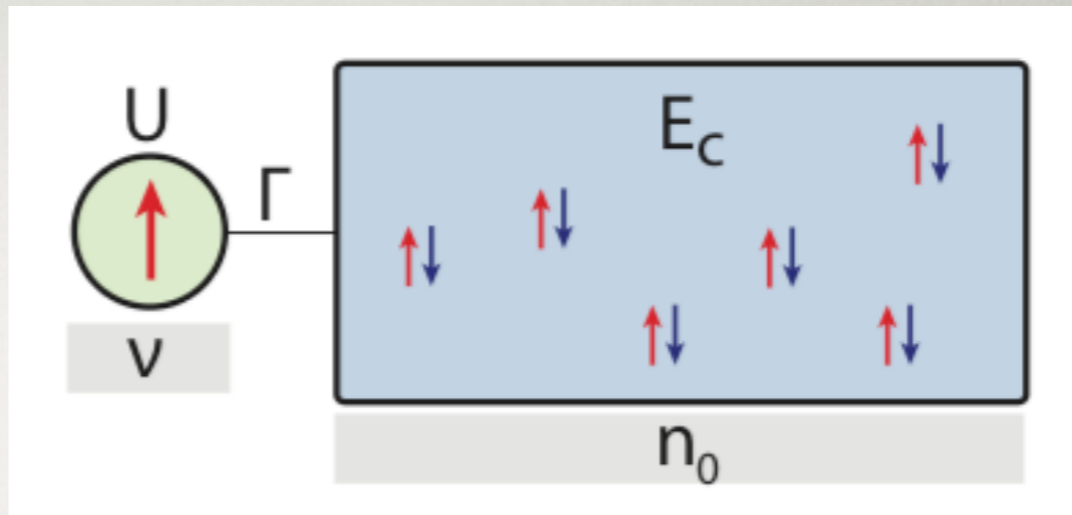
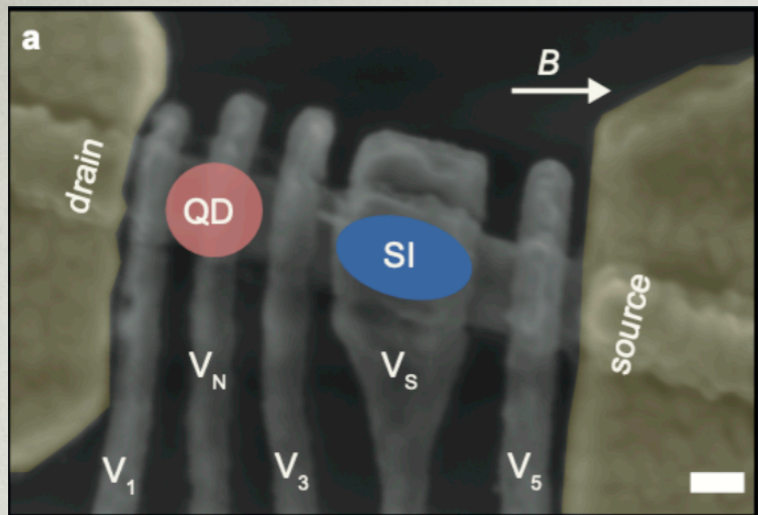
[https://github.com/GiggleLiu/nrg\\_mapping](https://github.com/GiggleLiu/nrg_mapping)

Soft gaps, too!





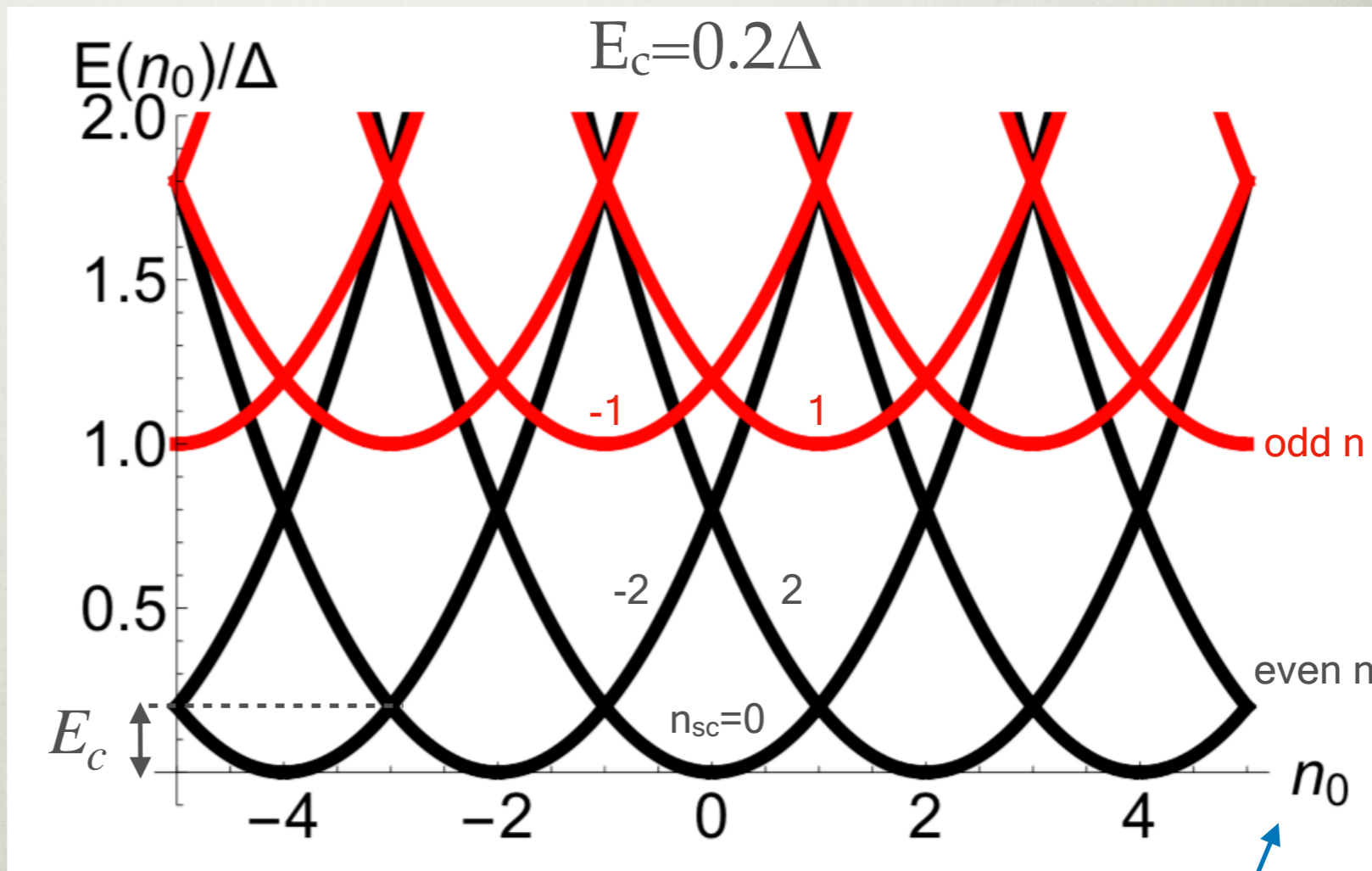




$$E_c(\hat{n}_{sc} - n_0)^2$$

$$E_c = \frac{e_0^2}{2C}$$

charging energy



energy-level / gate-voltage expressed in units of electron number

# QD

$$H_{\text{imp}} = \epsilon \hat{n} + U \hat{n}_{\uparrow} \hat{n}_{\downarrow} = \frac{U}{2} (\hat{n} - \nu)^2 + \text{const.}$$

$$\hat{n} = \sum_{\sigma} \hat{n}_{\sigma} \quad \hat{n}_{\sigma} = d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} \quad \sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$$

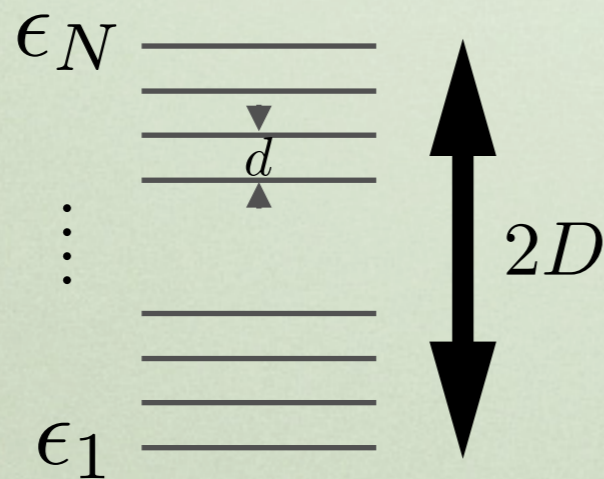
$$\nu = 1/2 - \epsilon/U = 1 - \delta/U$$

energy-level / gate-voltage expressed in units of electron number

# SC

$$H_{\text{SC}} = \sum_{i,\sigma} \epsilon_i c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma} - \alpha d \sum_{i,j} c_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} c_{j\downarrow} c_{j\uparrow} + E_c (\hat{n}_{\text{sc}} - n_0)^2$$

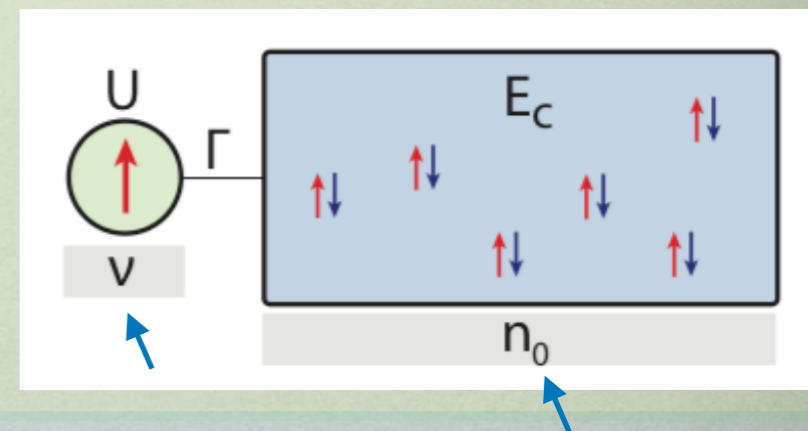
$$i = 1, \dots, N$$



$$d = \frac{2D}{N}$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2D}$$

$$\hat{n}_{\text{sc}} = \sum_{i\sigma} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i\sigma}$$



# coupling

$$H_{\text{hyb}} = (v/\sqrt{N}) \sum_{i\sigma} \left( c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + \text{H.c.} \right)$$

$$\Gamma = \pi \rho v^2$$

## matrix product operator (MPO) representation of H

$$W_0 = \left( I \quad \epsilon_{\text{imp}} \hat{n}_{\text{imp}} + U \hat{n}_{\text{imp},\uparrow} \hat{n}_{\text{imp},\downarrow} \quad -d_{\uparrow} F \quad -d_{\downarrow} F \quad +d_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} F \quad +d_{\downarrow}^{\dagger} F \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \right)$$

$$W_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & [\epsilon_i + E_c(1 - 2n_0)] \hat{n}_i + (g + 2E_c) \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i\downarrow} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & g c_{i\downarrow} c_{i\uparrow} & g c_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} & 2E_c \hat{n}_i \\ 0 & I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V c_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} & F & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V c_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} & 0 & F & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V c_{i\uparrow} & 0 & 0 & F & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V c_{i\downarrow} & 0 & 0 & 0 & F & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{i\downarrow} c_{i\uparrow} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{n}_i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W_N = \begin{pmatrix} [\epsilon_N + E_c(1 - 2n_0)] \hat{n}_N + (g + 2E_c) \hat{n}_{N\uparrow} \hat{n}_{N\downarrow} \\ I \\ V c_{N\uparrow}^{\dagger} \\ V c_{N\downarrow}^{\dagger} \\ V c_{N\uparrow} \\ V c_{N\downarrow} \\ c_{N\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{N\downarrow}^{\dagger} \\ c_{N\downarrow} c_{N\uparrow} \\ \hat{n}_N \end{pmatrix}$$

F is fermion-parity operator

$$g = \alpha d$$

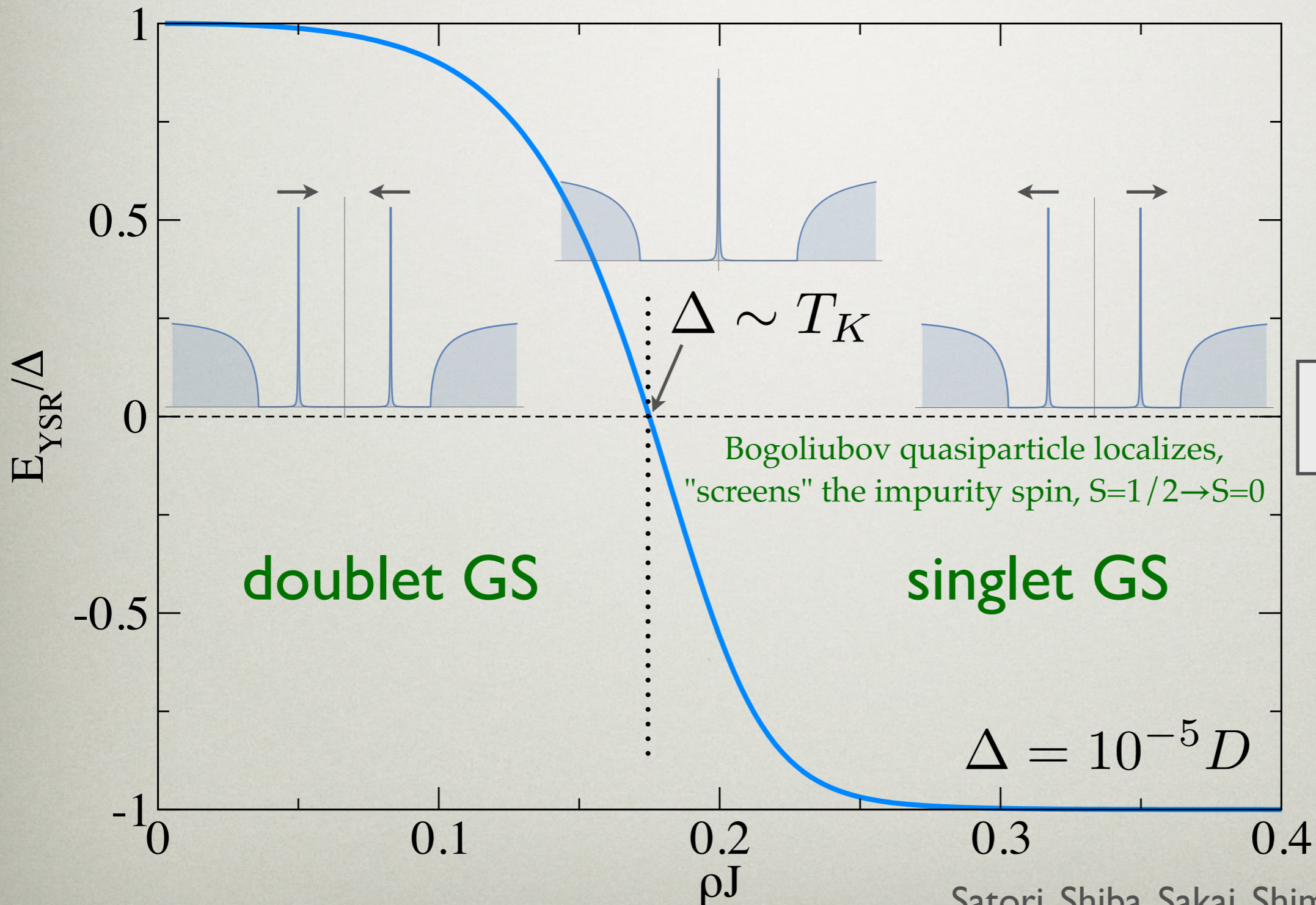
$$H = \prod_{i=0}^N W_i$$

$$\dim = 9$$

## Part III: basic properties

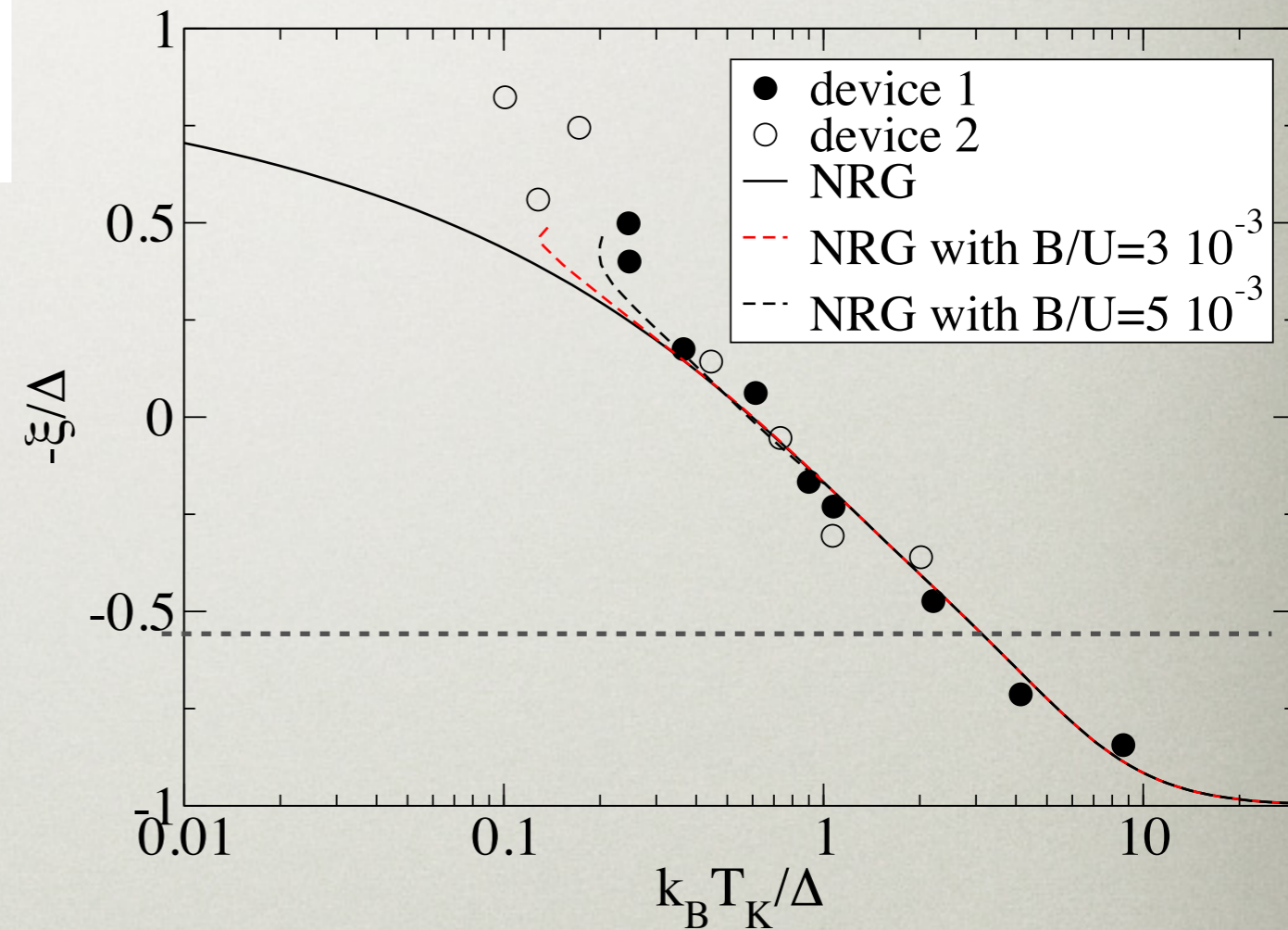
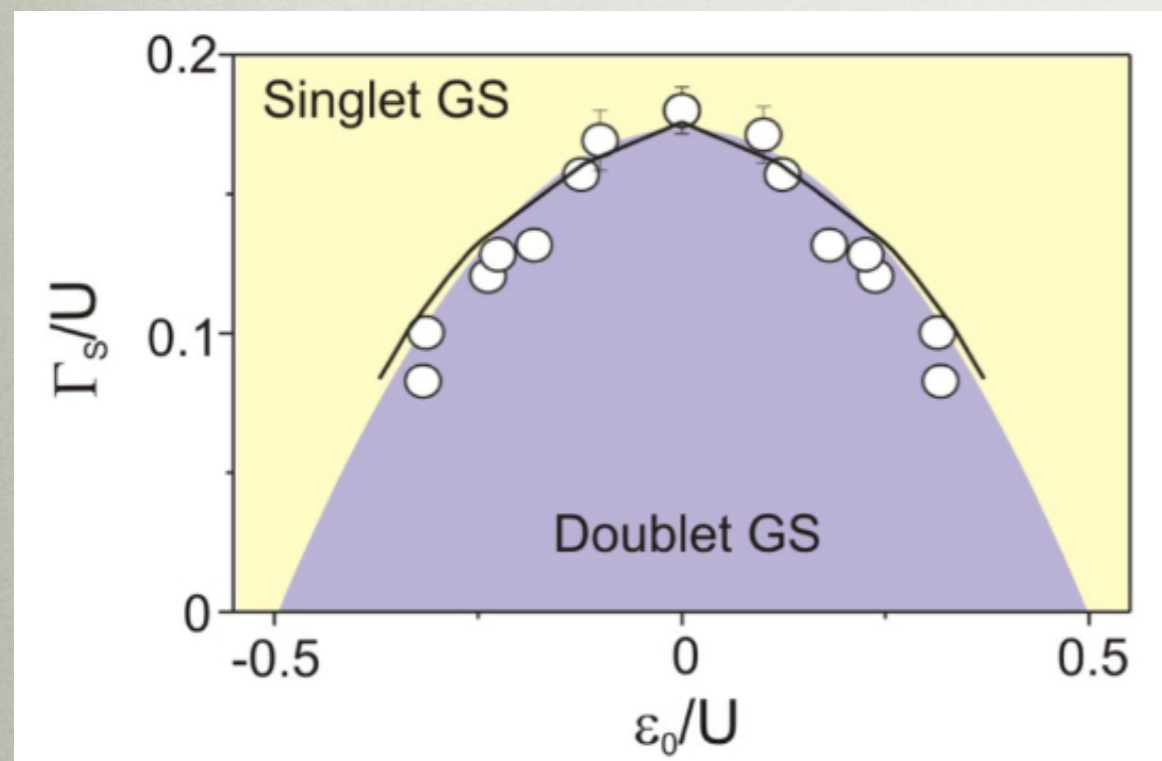
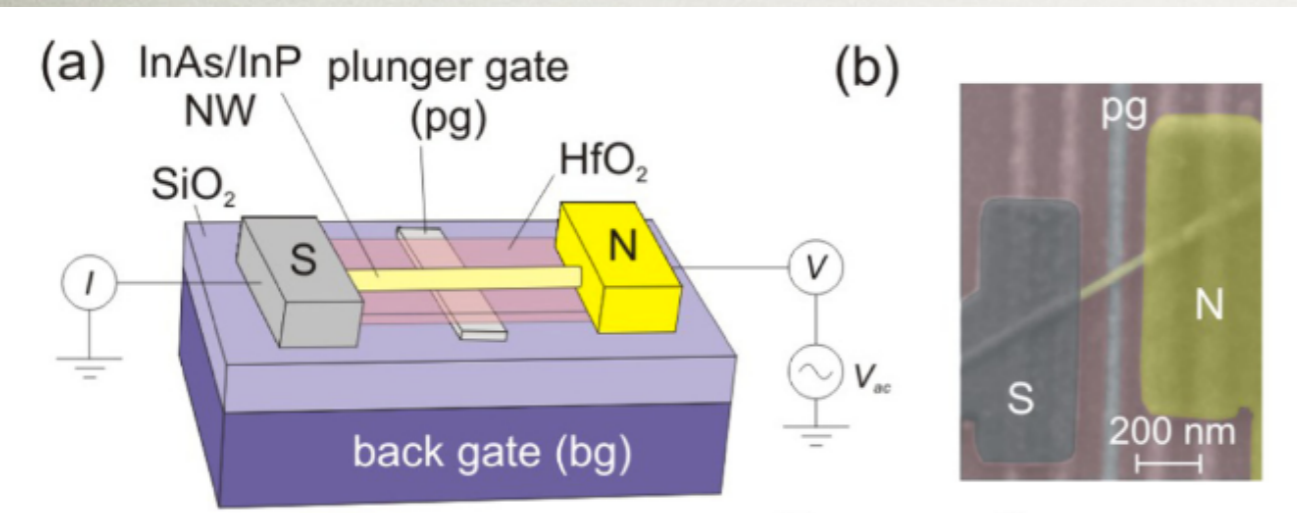
$$S=1/2$$

# QUANTUM IMPURITY IN A SUPERCONDUCTOR: DOUBLET-SINGLET TRANSITION



$$T_K = D \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\rho J}\right)$$

# SCALING OF SUB-GAP EXCITATIONS

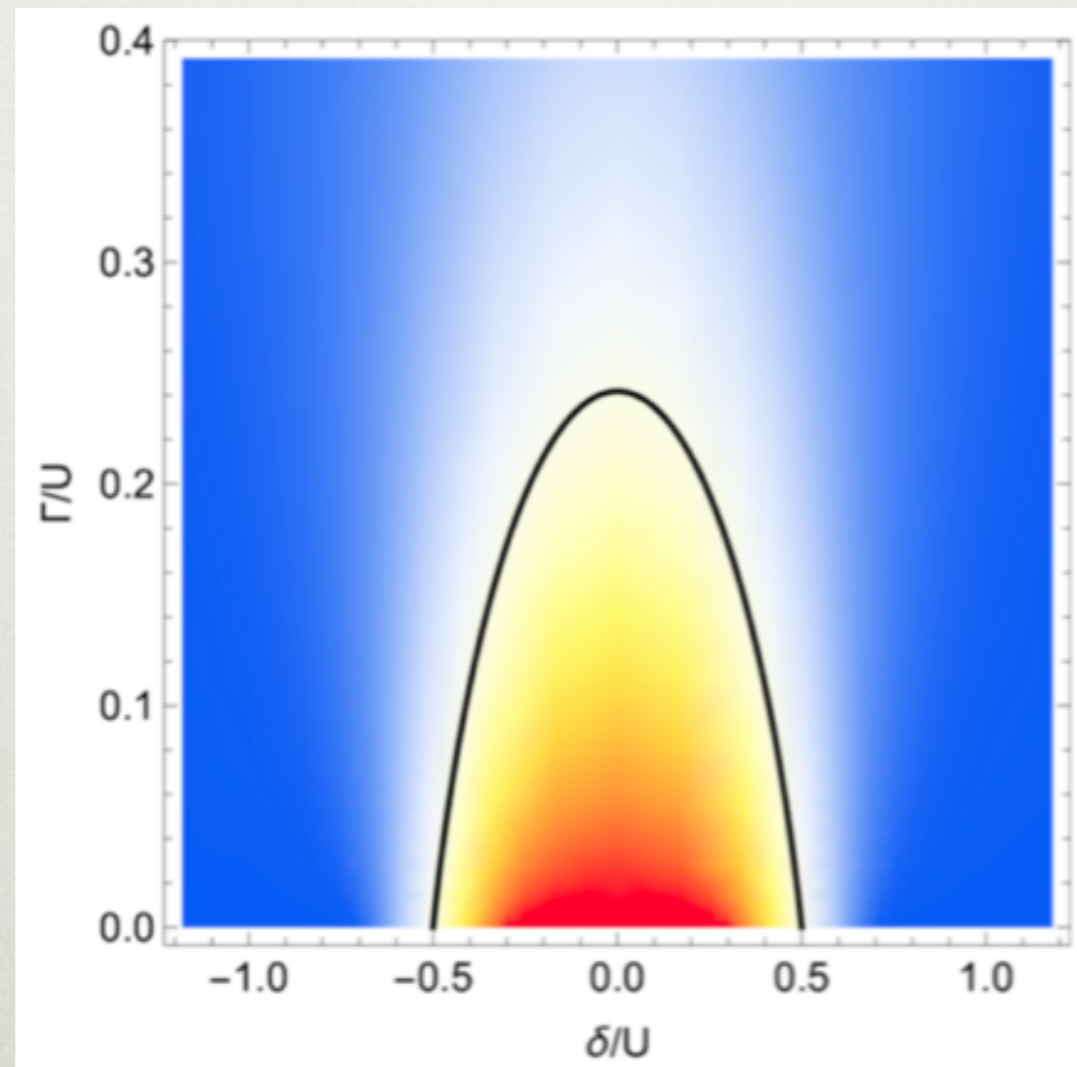


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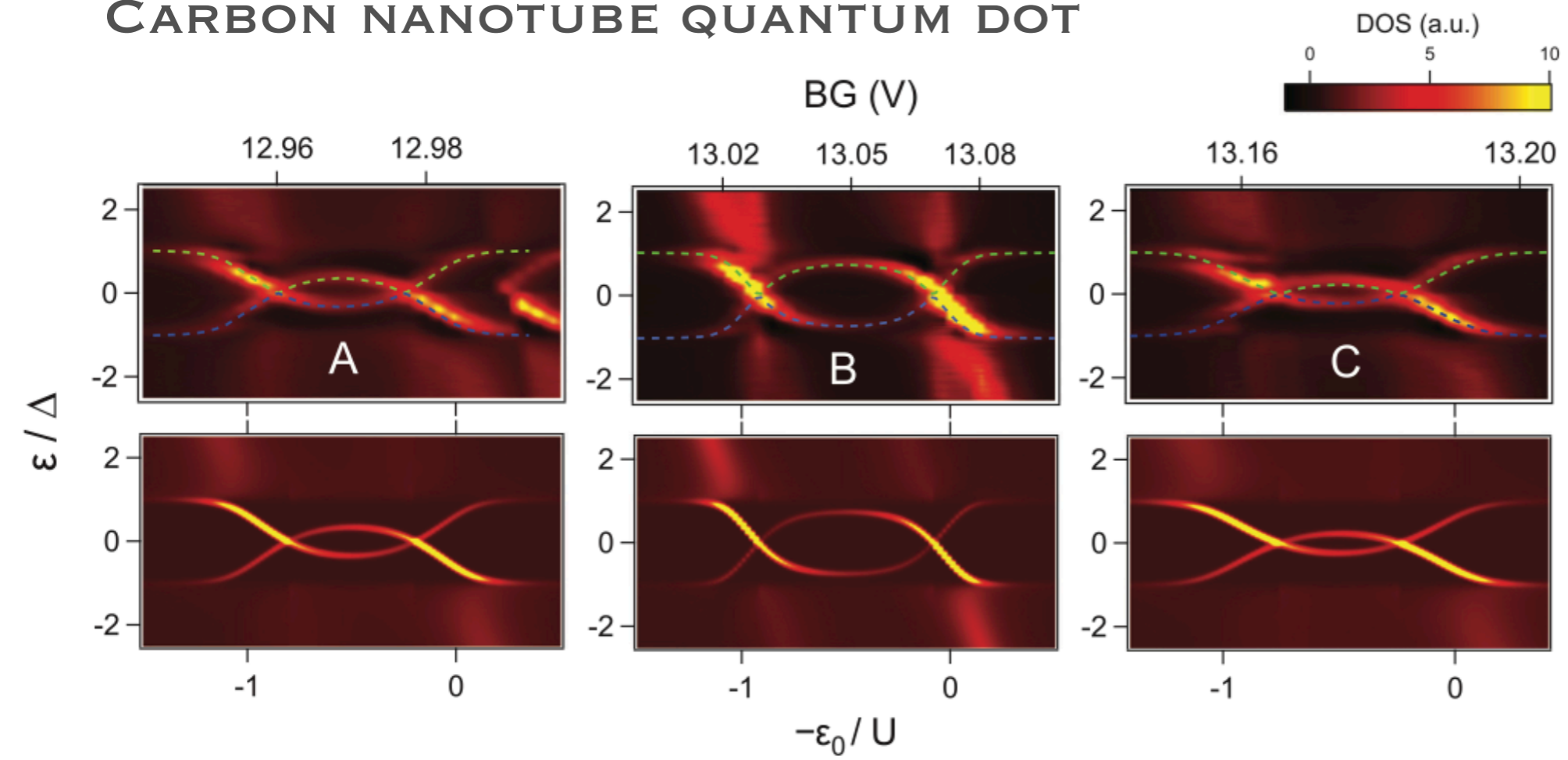
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# GATE DEPENDENCE

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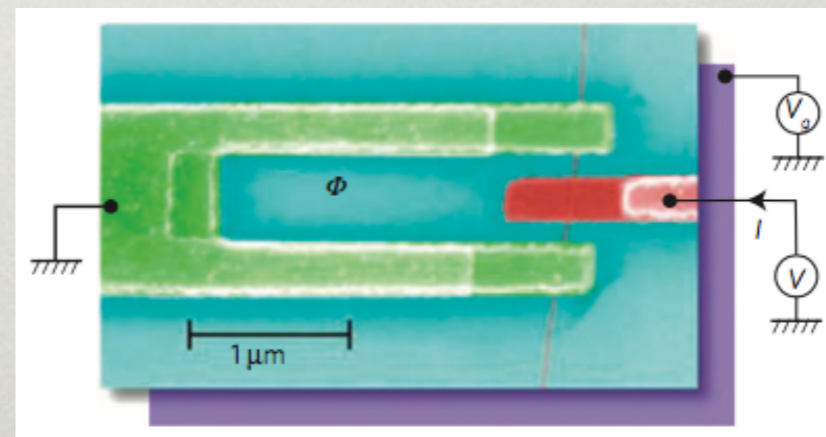
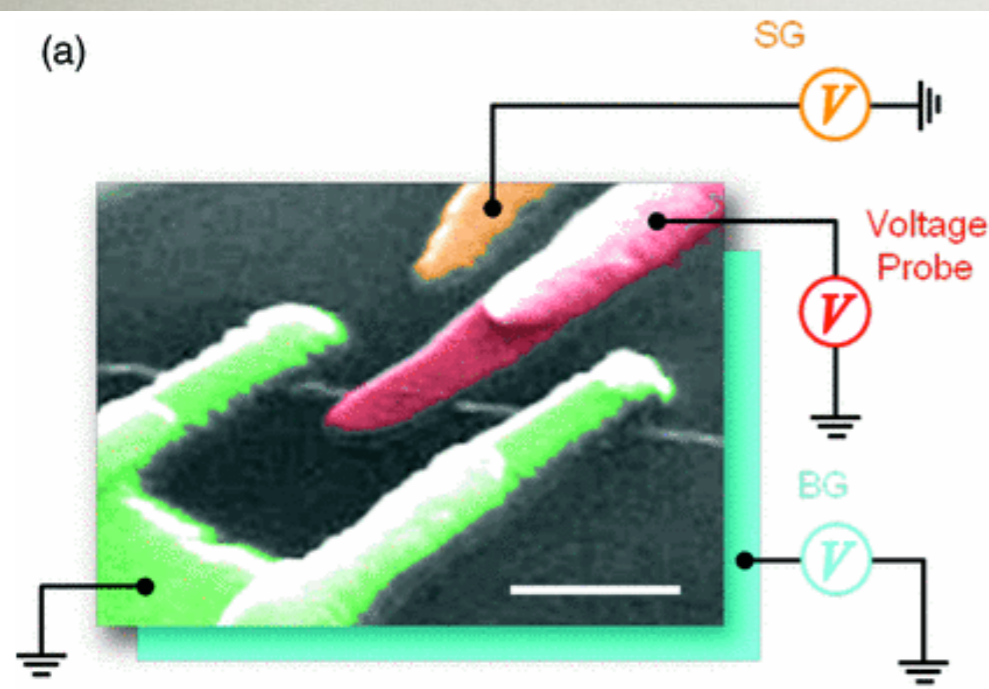


# CARBON NANOTUBE QUANTUM DOT



experiment

theory  
(NRG calculation)





# ANDREEV BOUND STATES, $U=0$ LIMIT

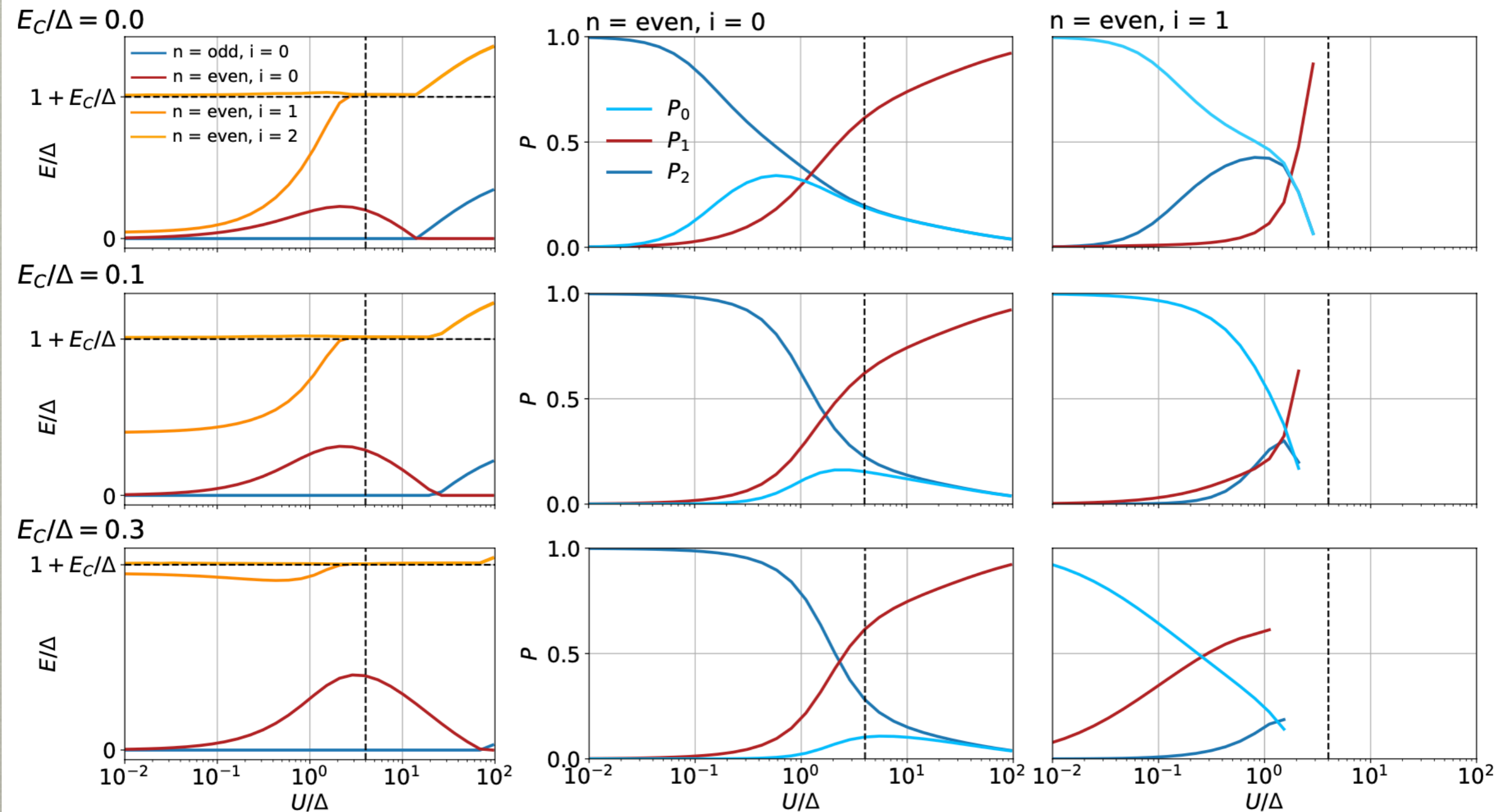
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$$H = \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + \Gamma d_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} d_{\downarrow}^{\dagger} + \text{H.c.} \quad \text{large } \Delta \text{ limit}$$

$$\epsilon = 0$$

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle \pm |2\rangle)$$

# YSR vs ABS: ROLE OF $U/\Delta$



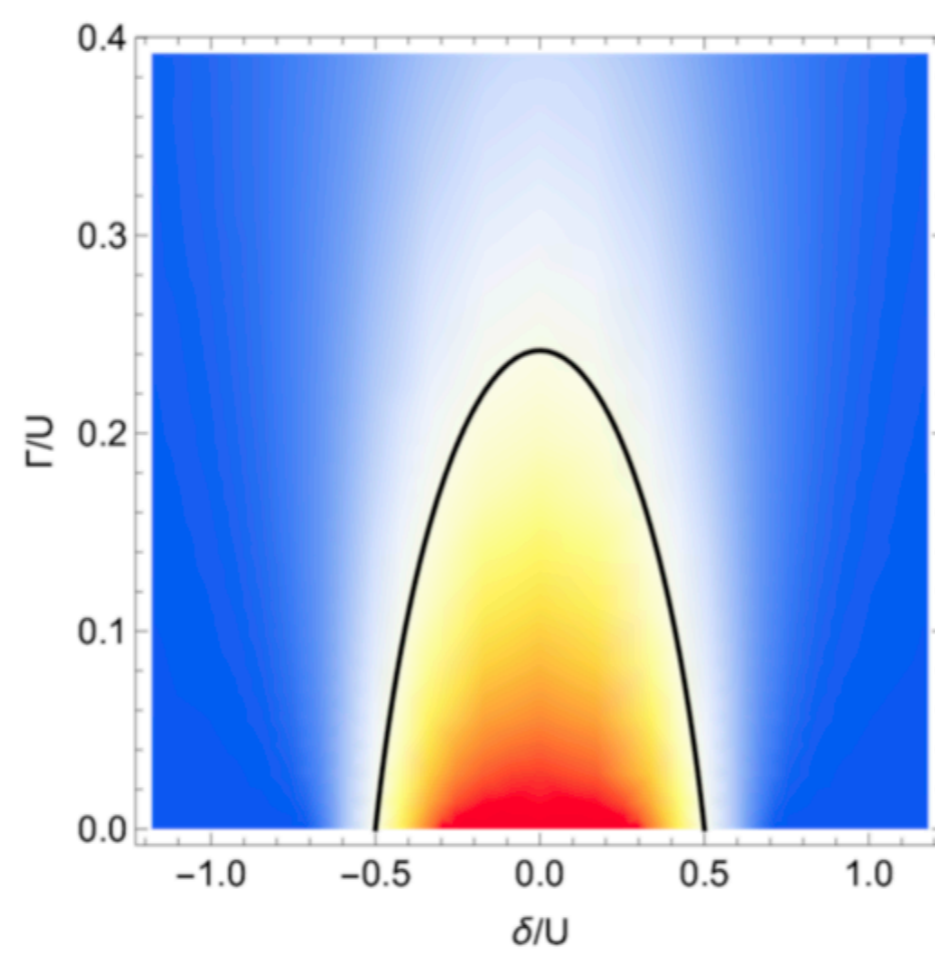
# IMPURITY IN A JOSEPHSON'S JUNCTION

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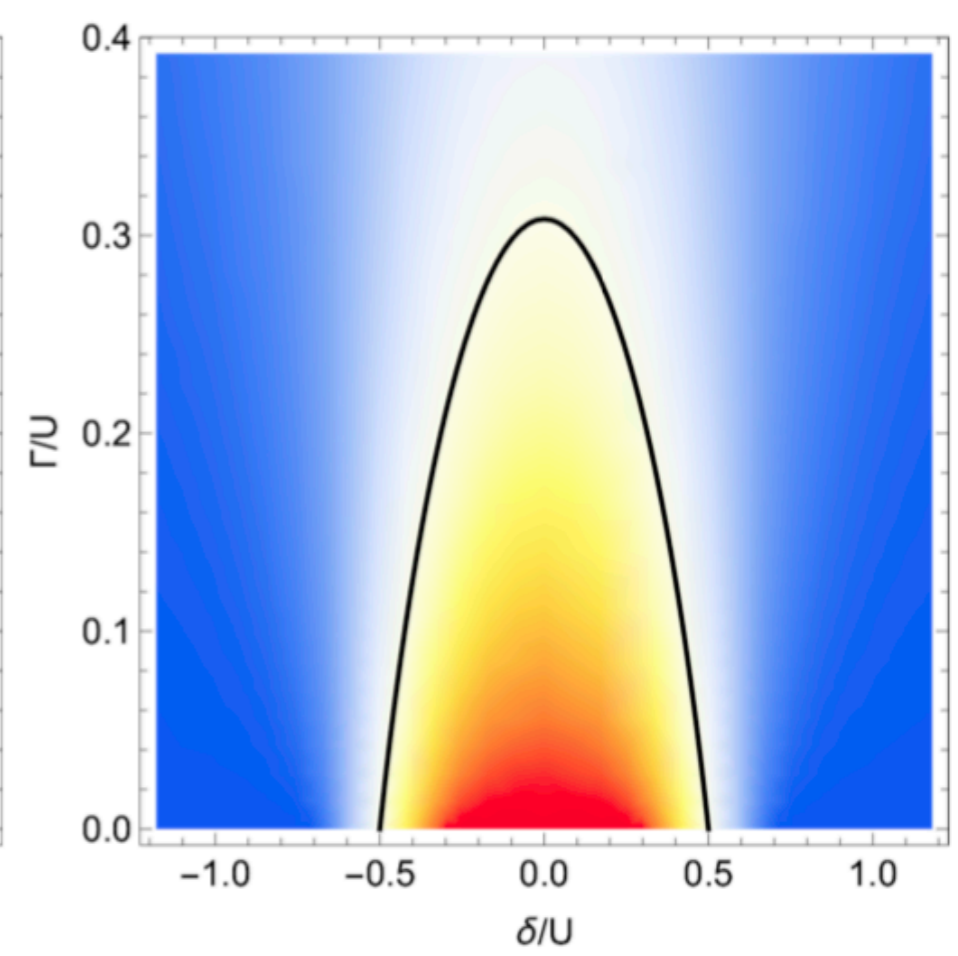
$$H = \epsilon n + U n_{\uparrow} n_{\downarrow} + \sum_{k,i} \epsilon_k n_{k,i} + \sum_{k,i} \left( \Delta_i c_{ki\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{ki\downarrow}^{\dagger} + \text{H.c.} \right) + \sum_{k,i,\sigma} \left( V_i c_{ki\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + \text{H.c.} \right)$$

$$\Delta_1 = \Delta e^{i\phi/2} \text{ and } \Delta_2 = \Delta e^{-i\phi/2}$$

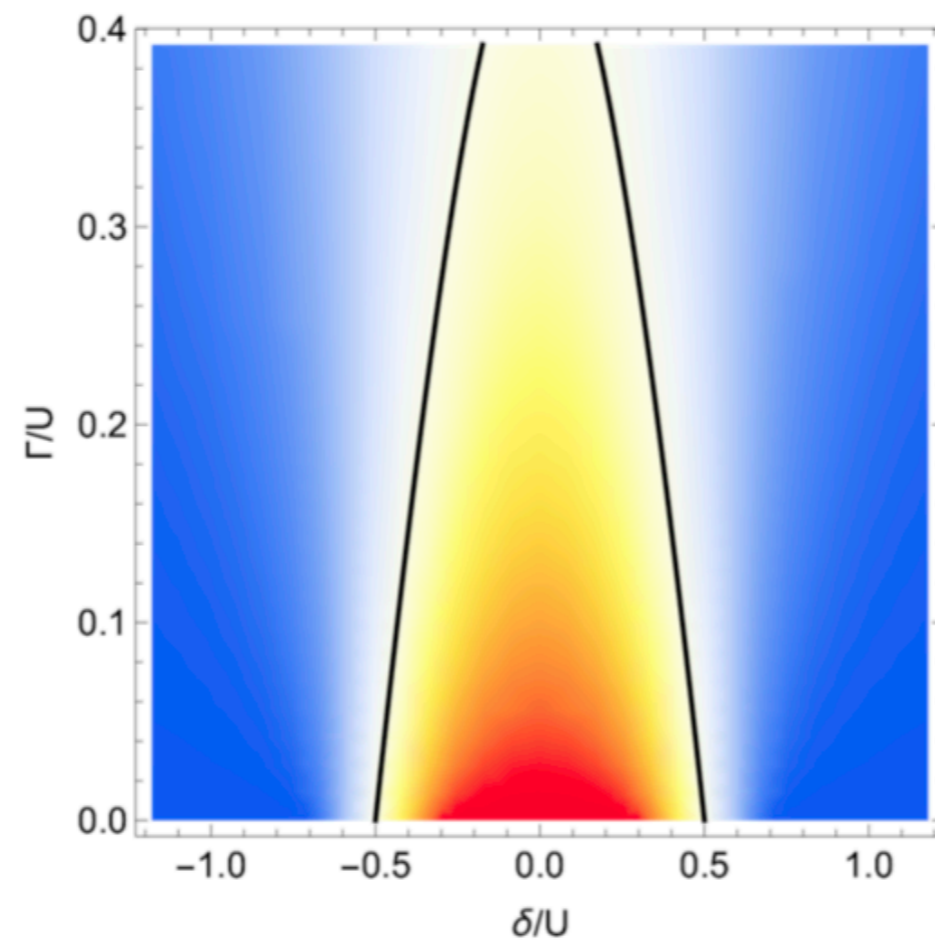
# SINGLET-DOUBLET PHASE DIAGRAMS



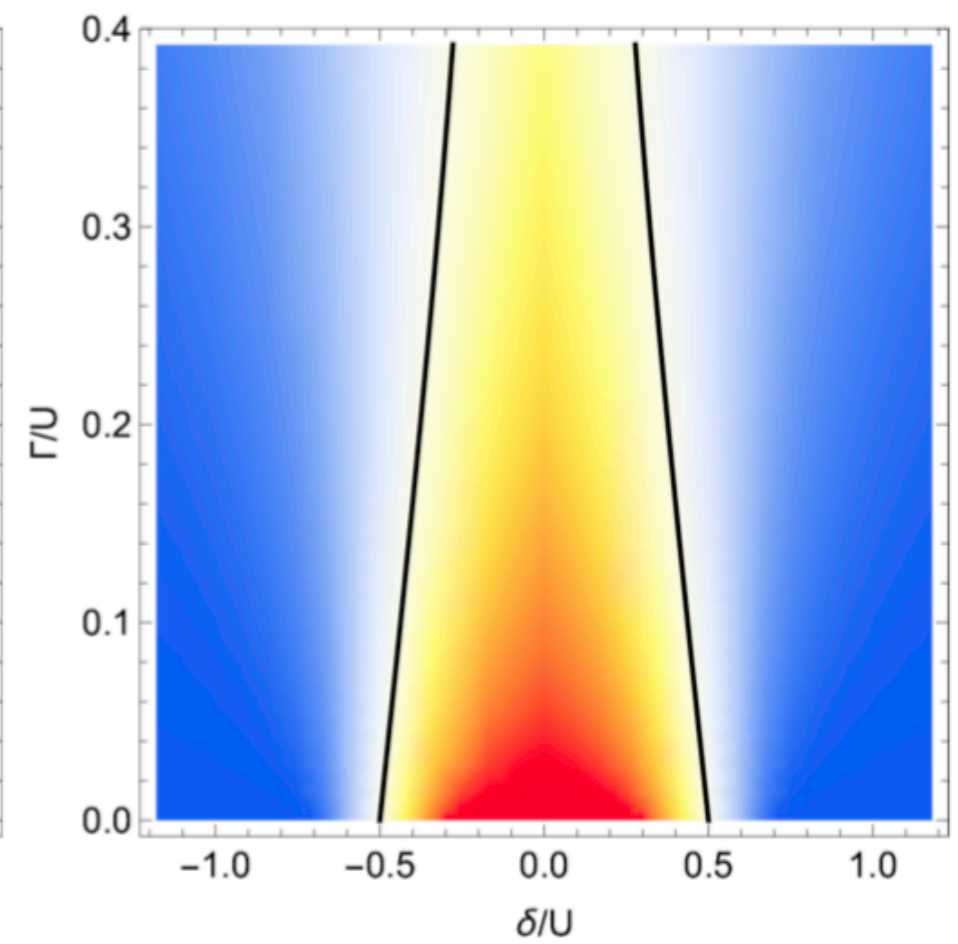
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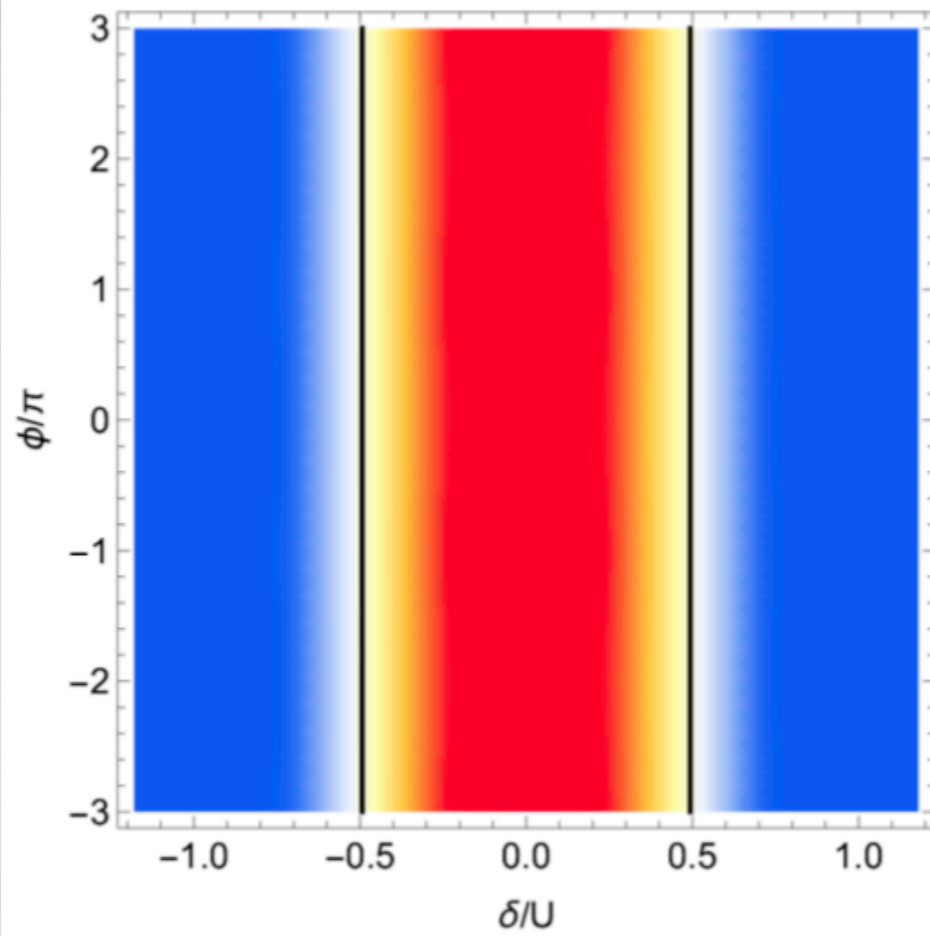
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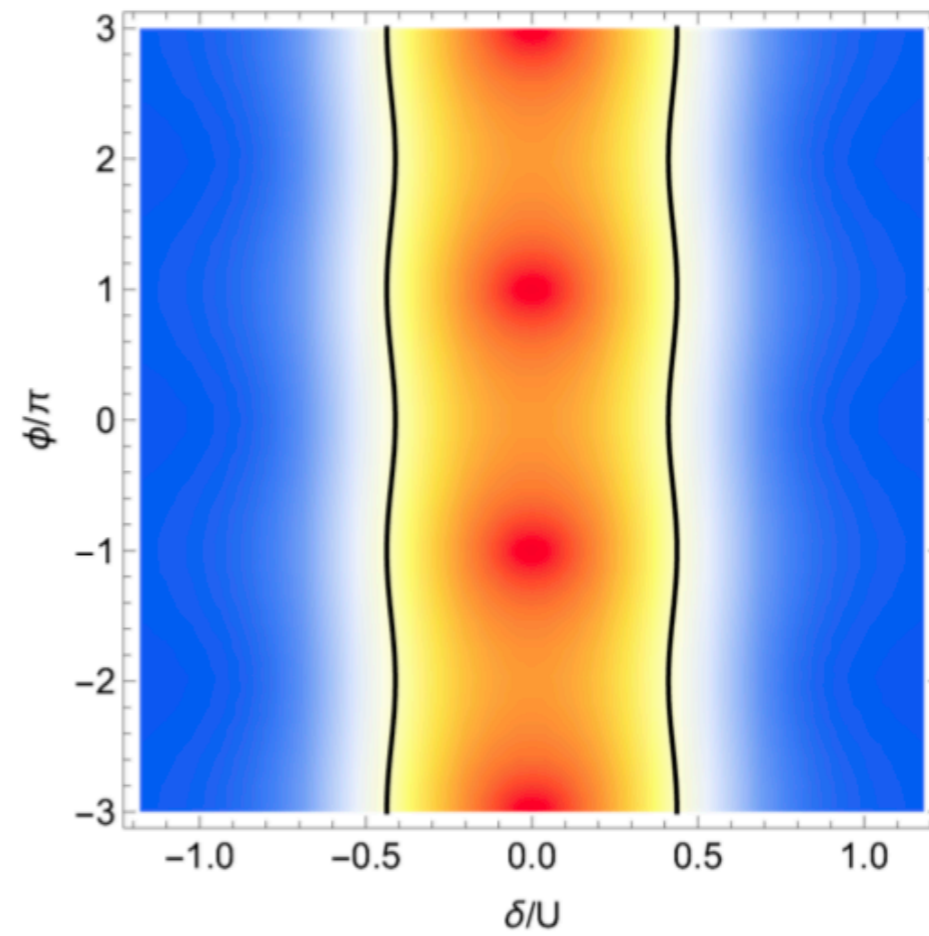
(c)  $\phi = 3\pi/4$



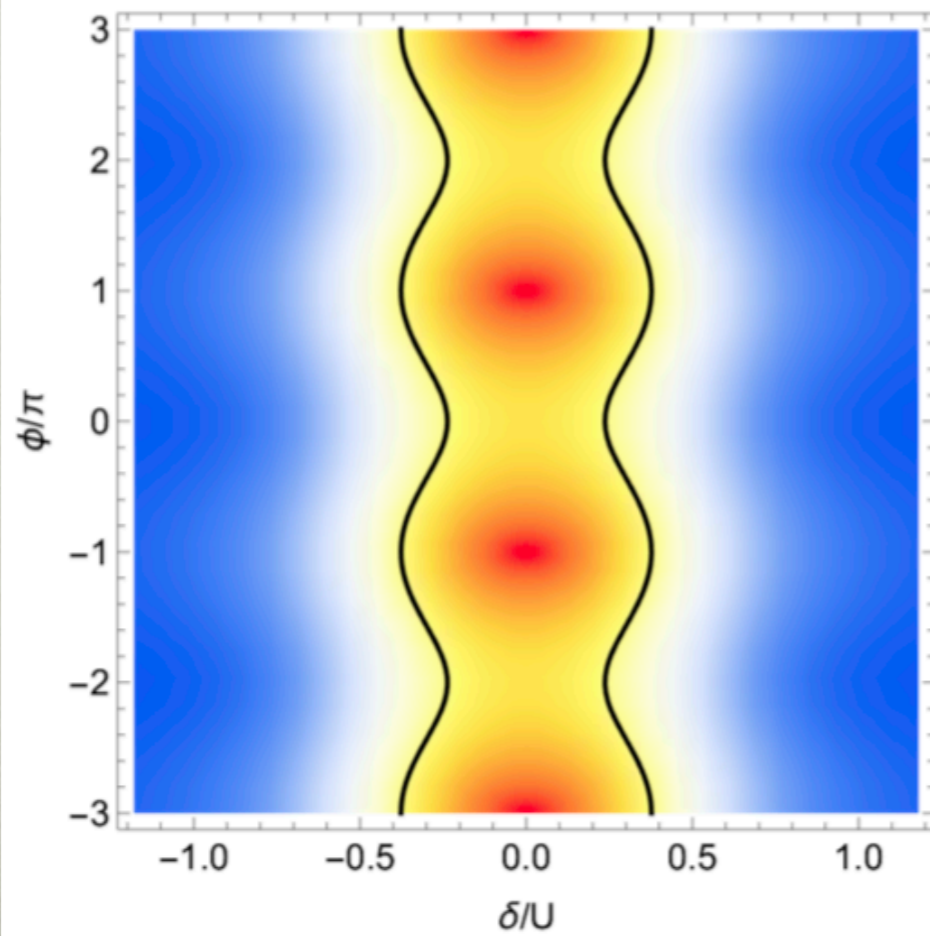
(d)  $\phi = \pi$



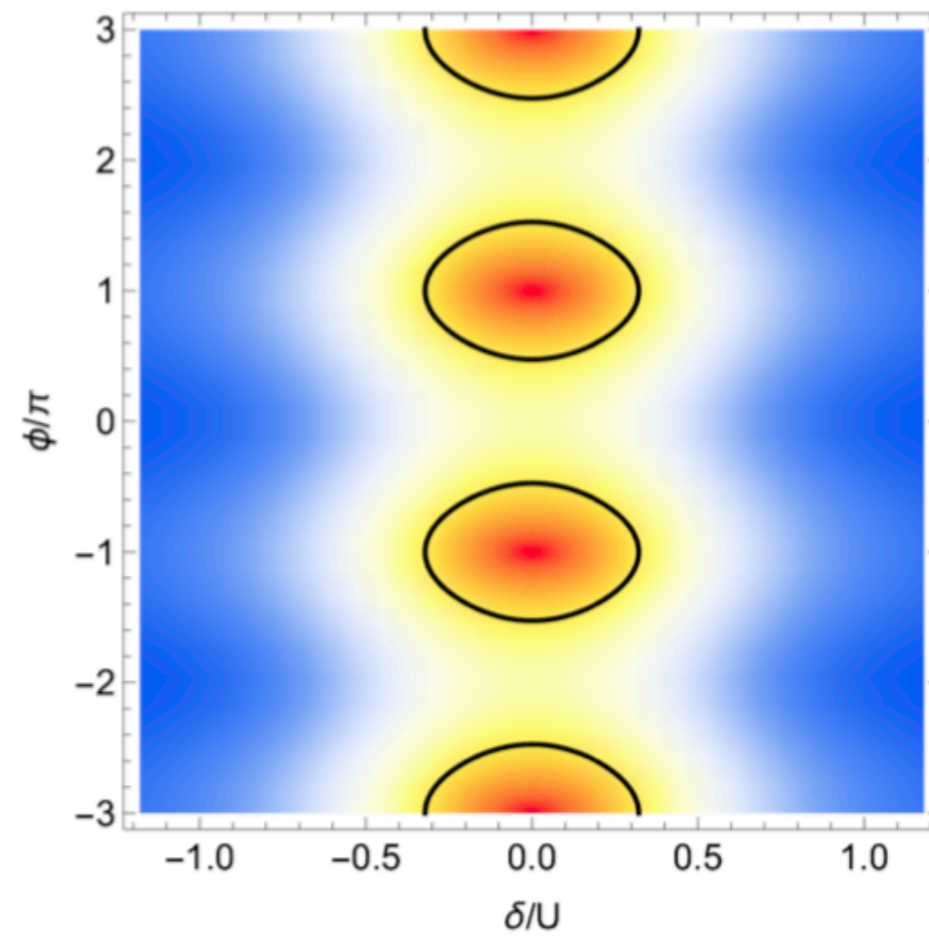
(a)  $\Gamma/U = 0.01$



(b)  $\Gamma/U = 0.1$

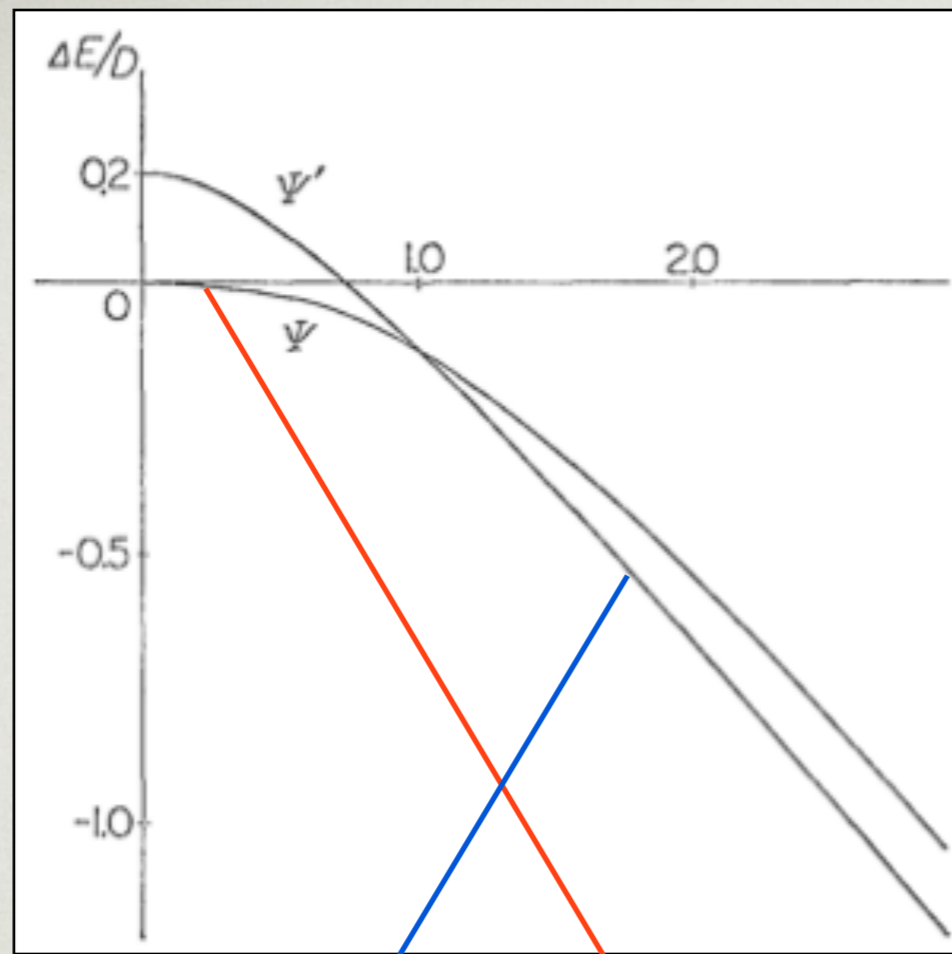


(c)  $\Gamma/U = 0.2$

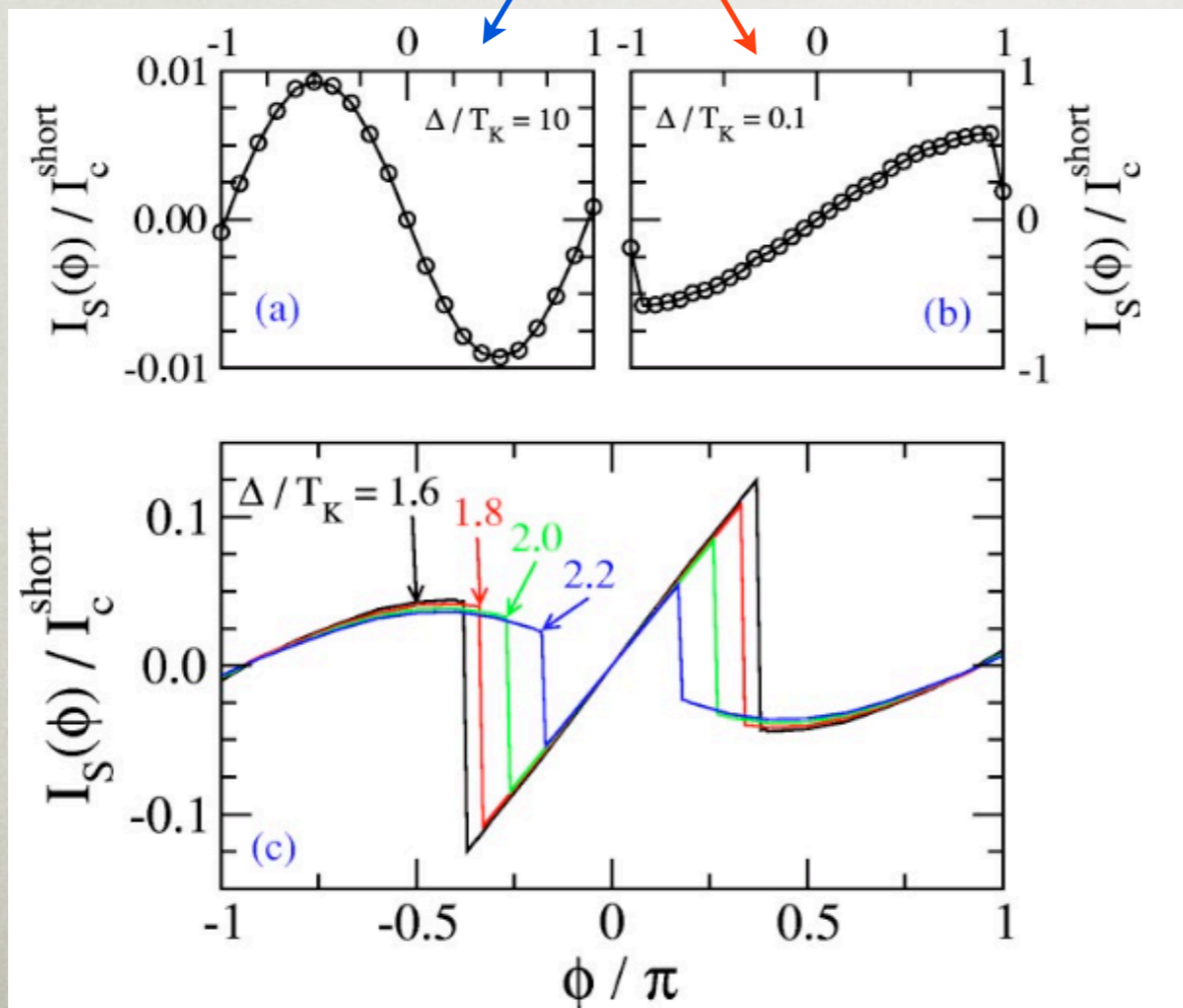


(d)  $\Gamma/U = 0.3$

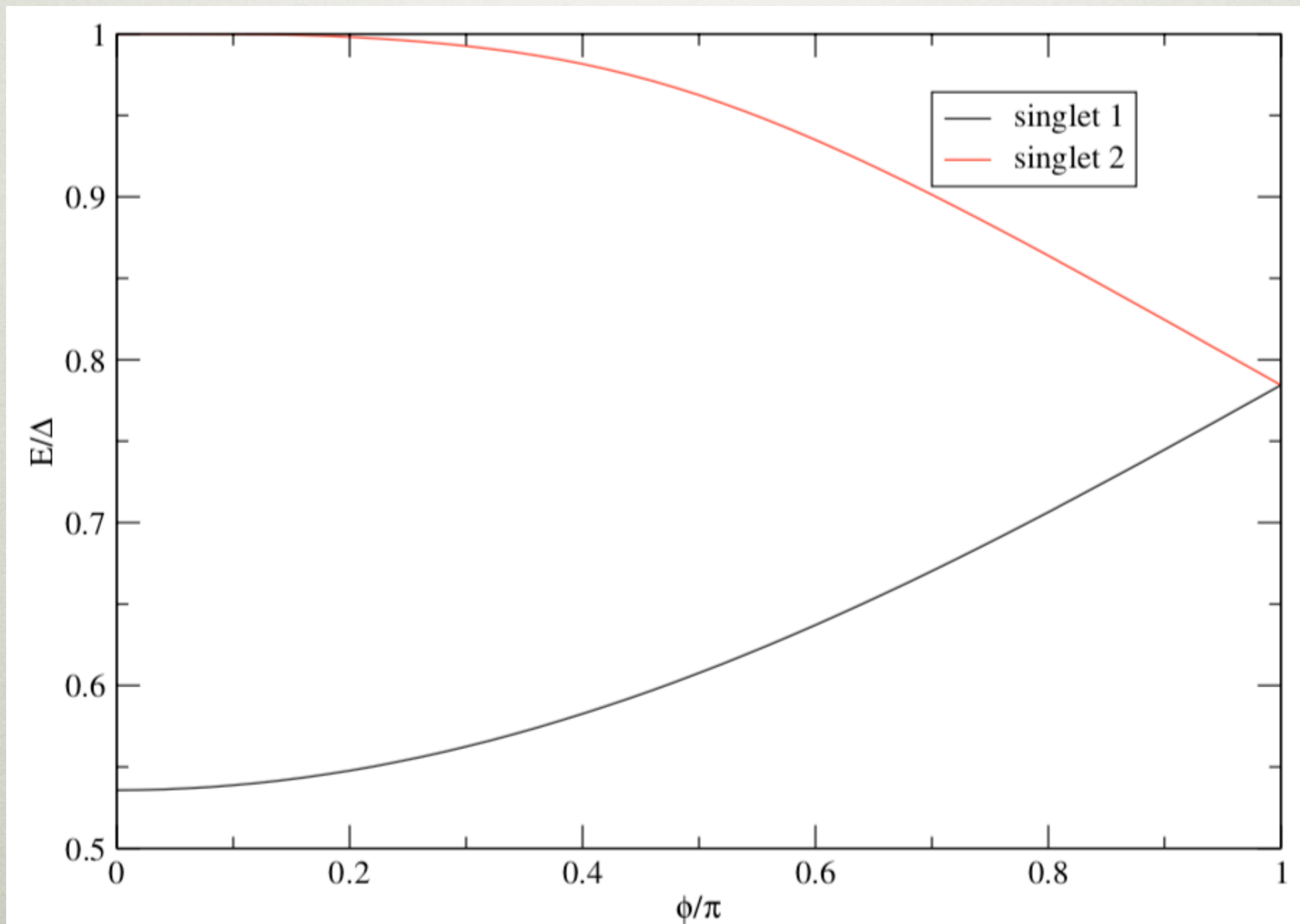
# JOSEPHSON CURRENT



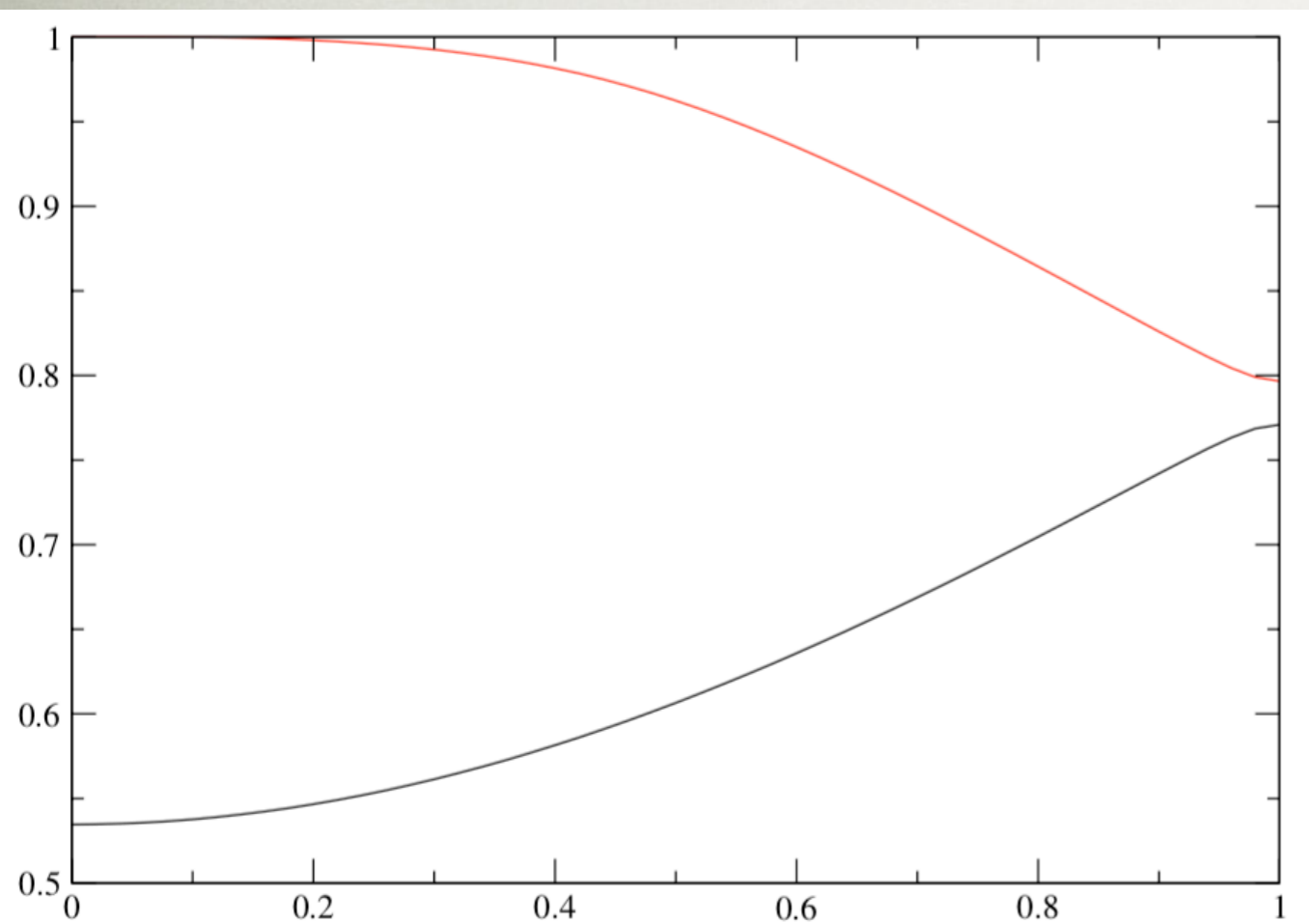
$$j = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \phi}$$



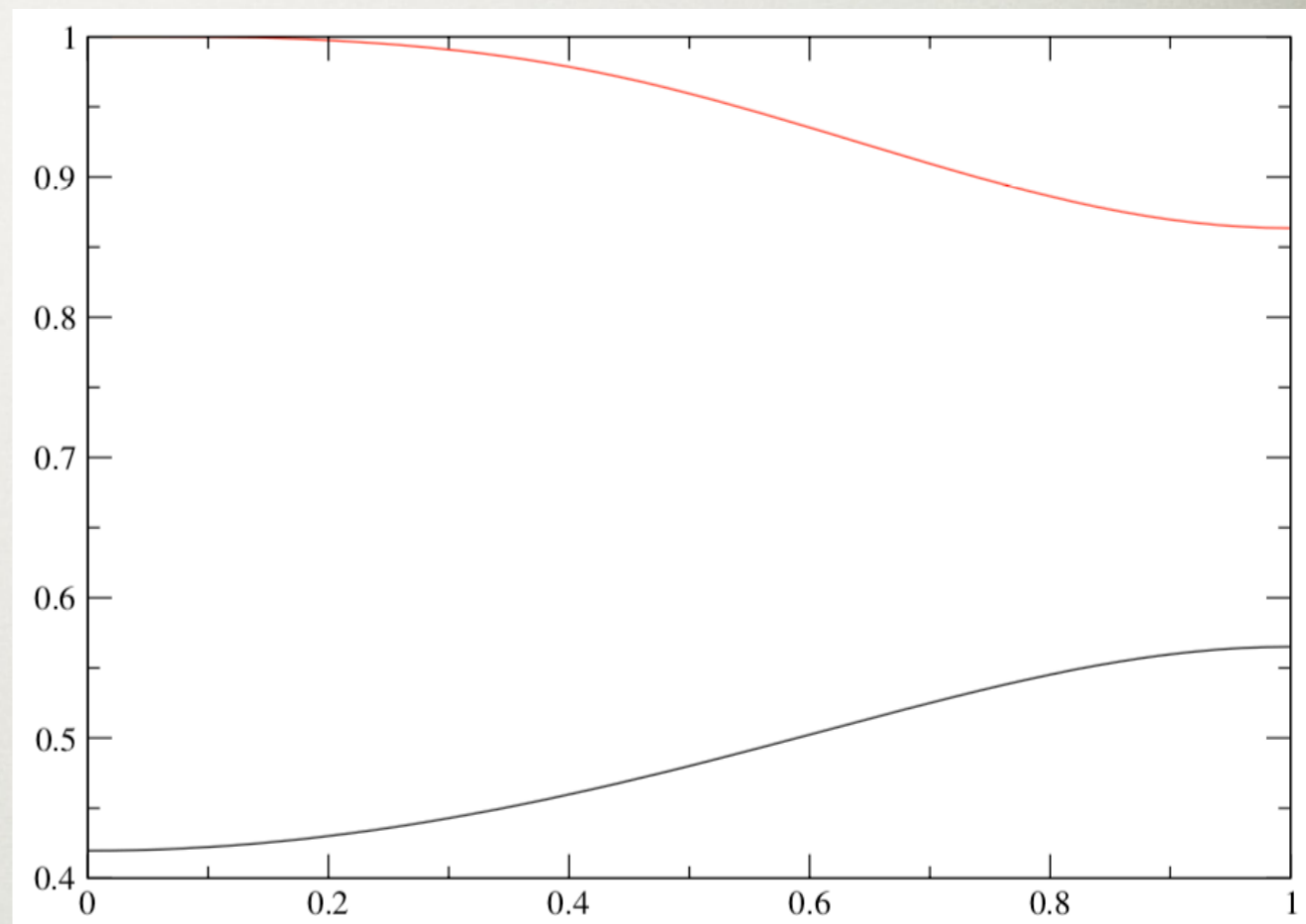
# PHASE BIAS DEPENDENCE



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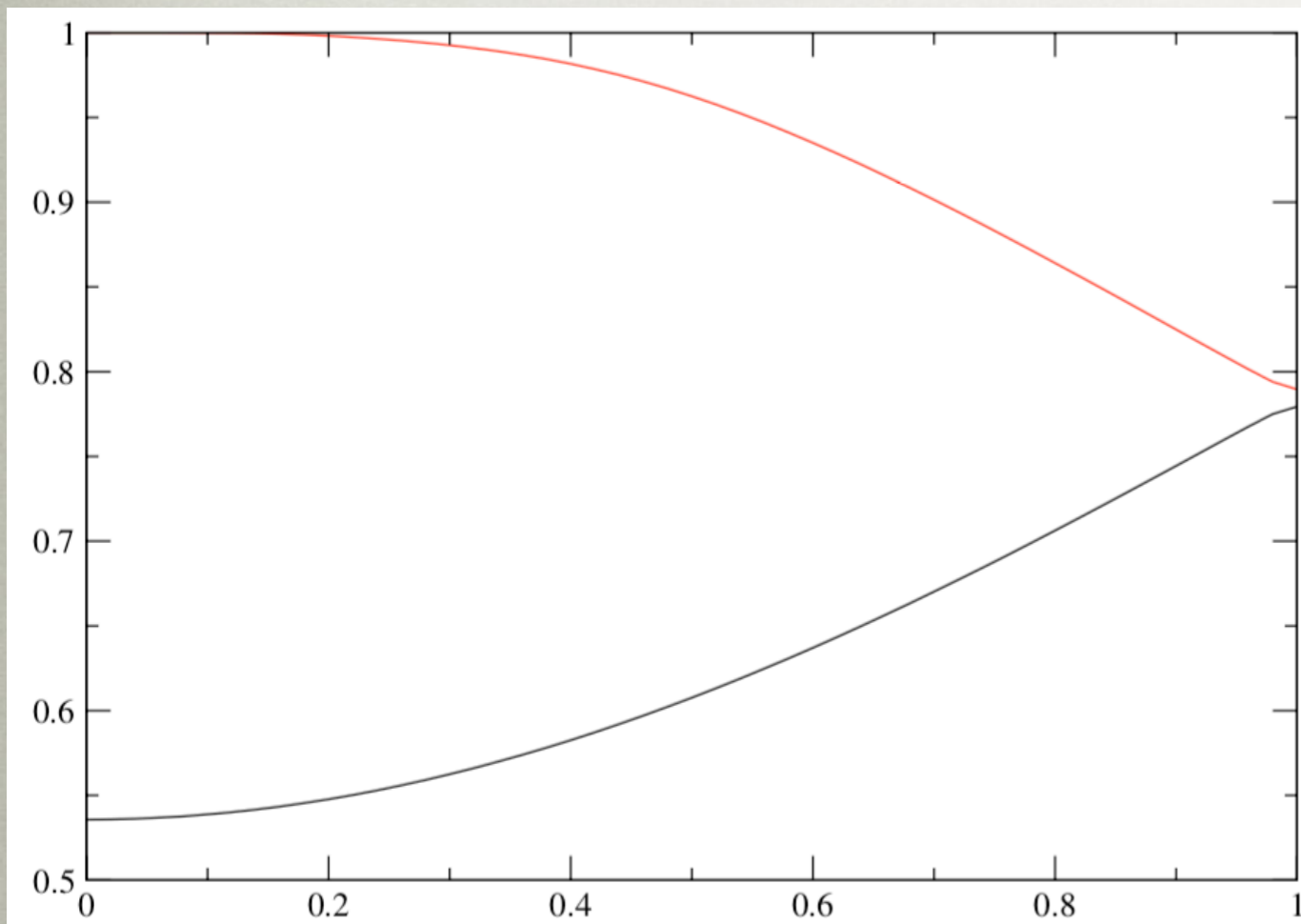


(b)  $\delta = 0.01, \Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2 = 0.1U$

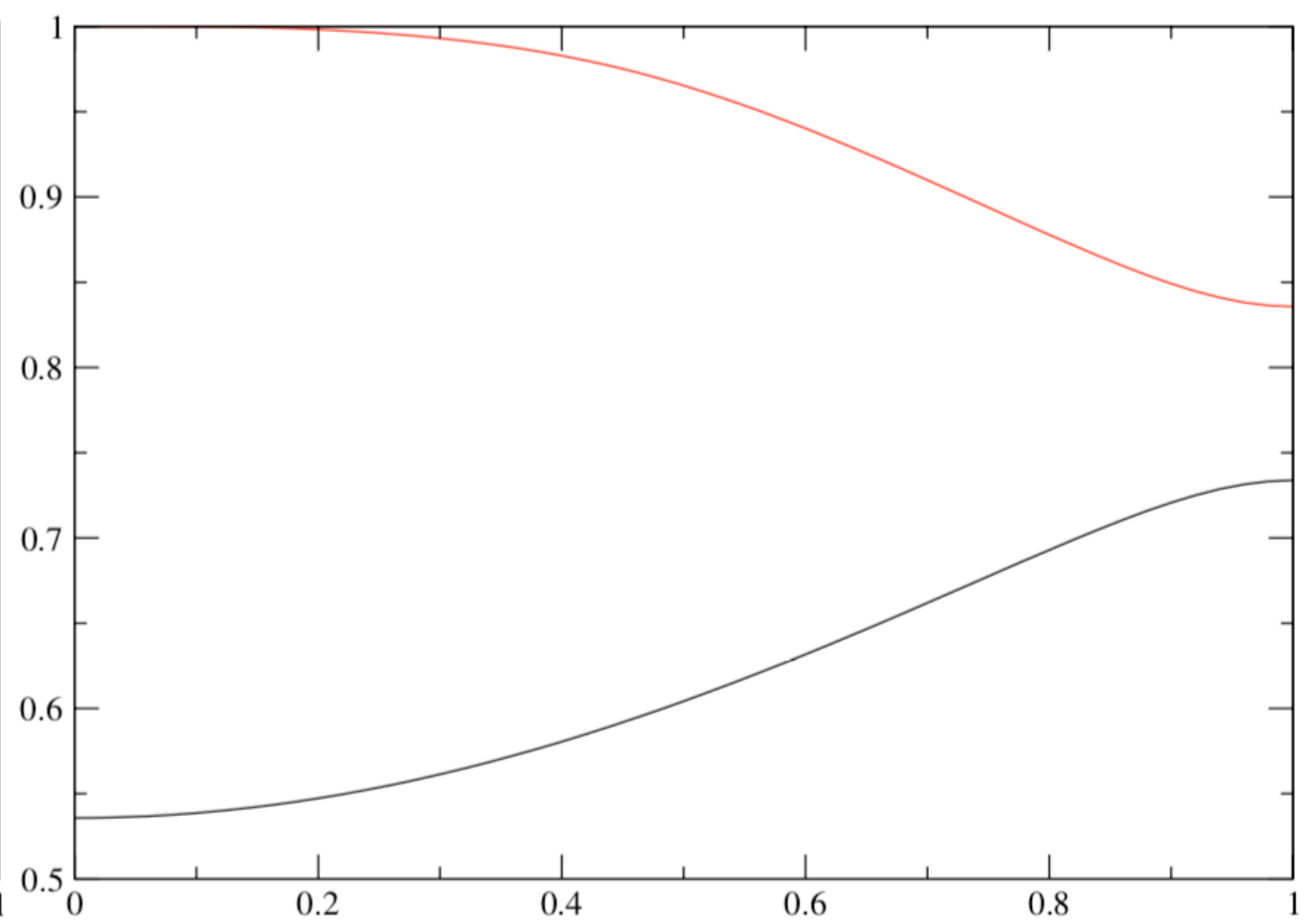


(c)  $\delta = 0.1, \Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2 = 0.1U$



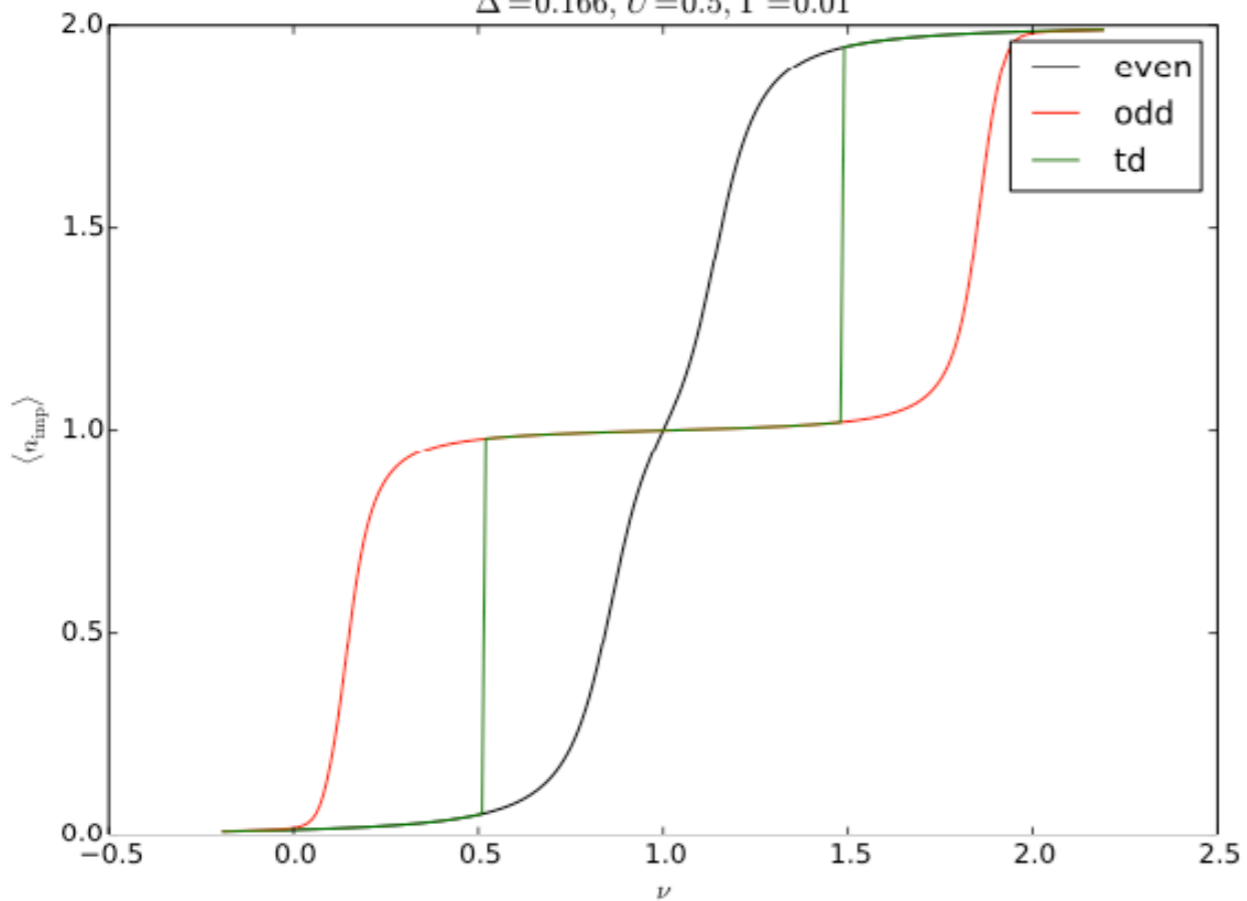


(d)  $\delta = 0, \Gamma_{1,2} = 0.1(1 \pm 0.02)U$

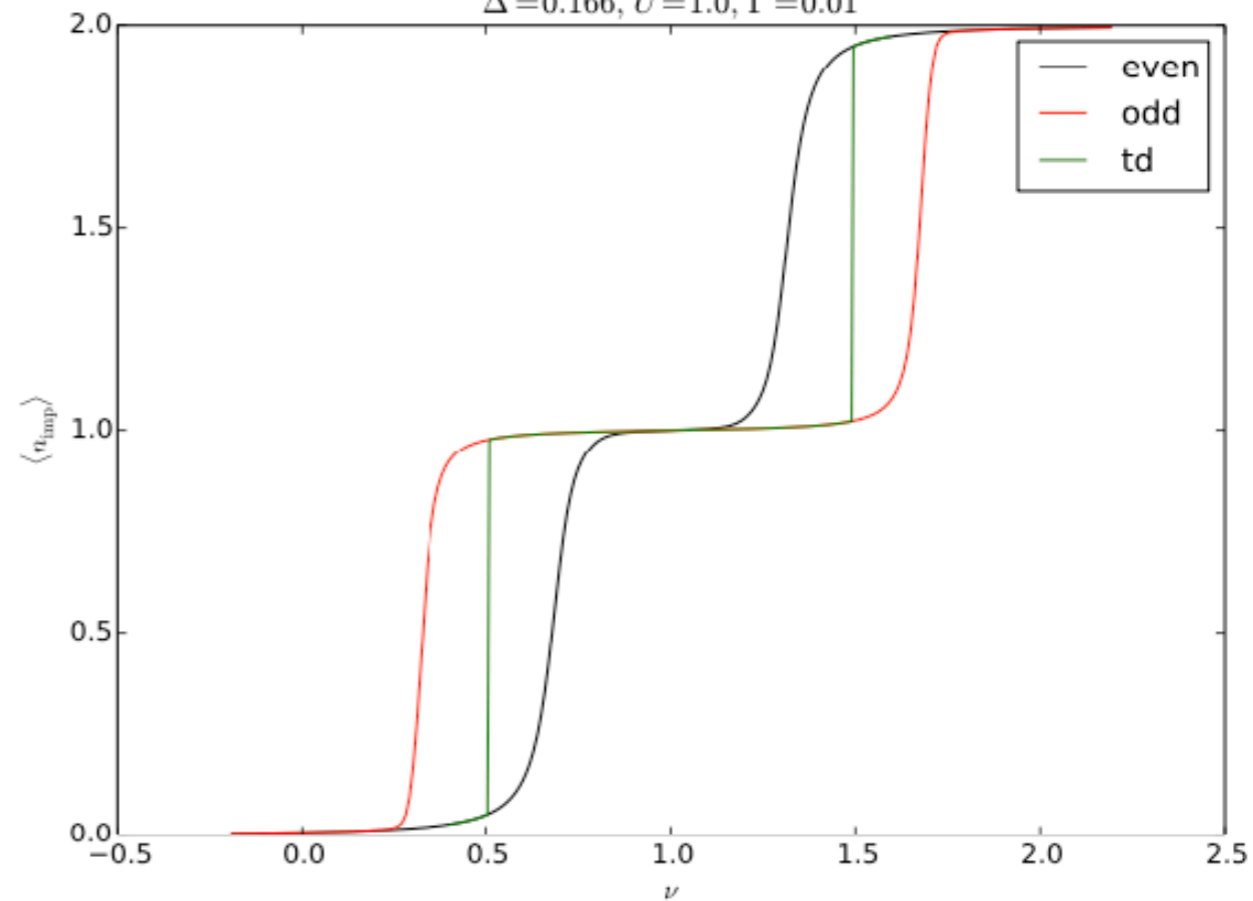


(e)  $\delta = 0, \Gamma_{1,2} = 0.1(1 \pm 0.2)U$

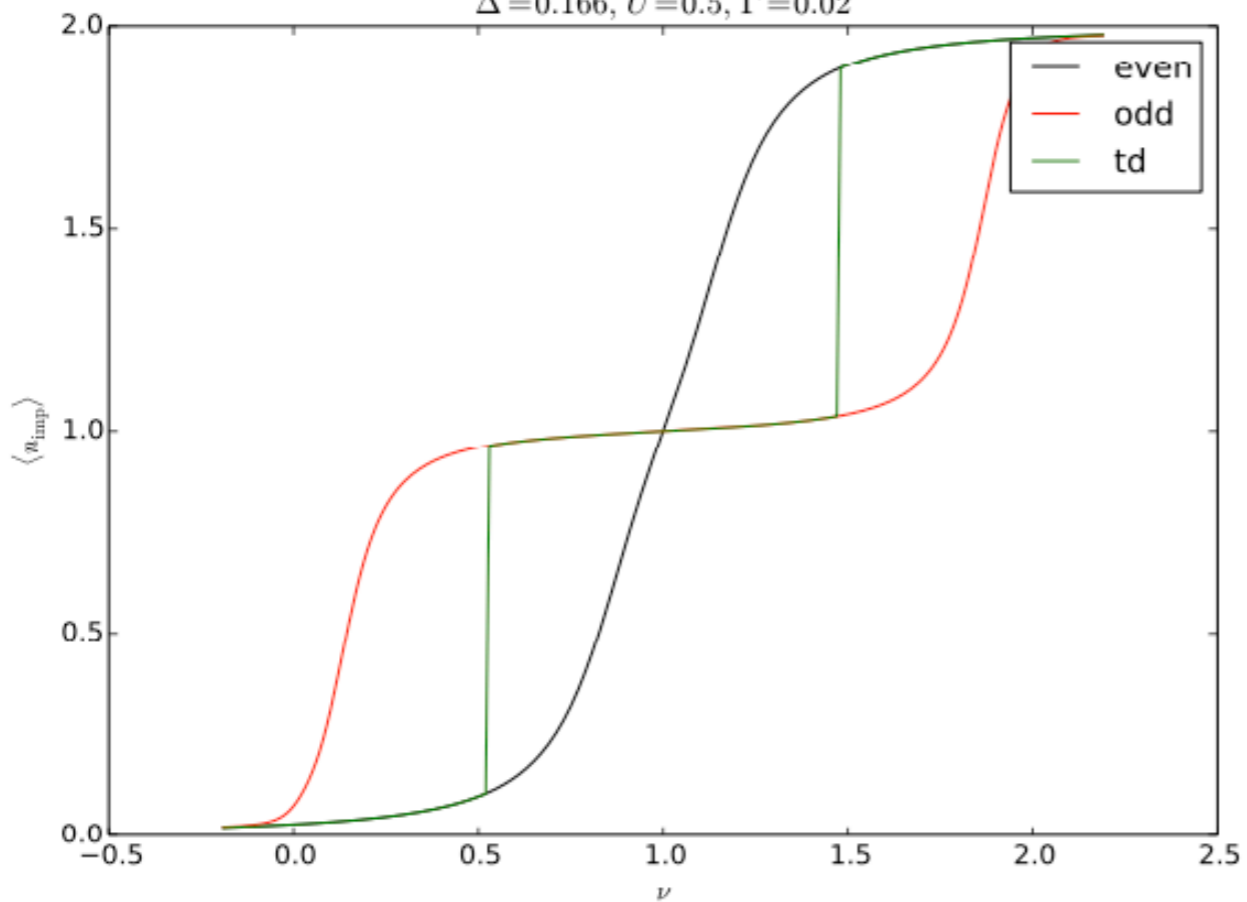
$\Delta = 0.166, U = 0.5, \Gamma = 0.01$



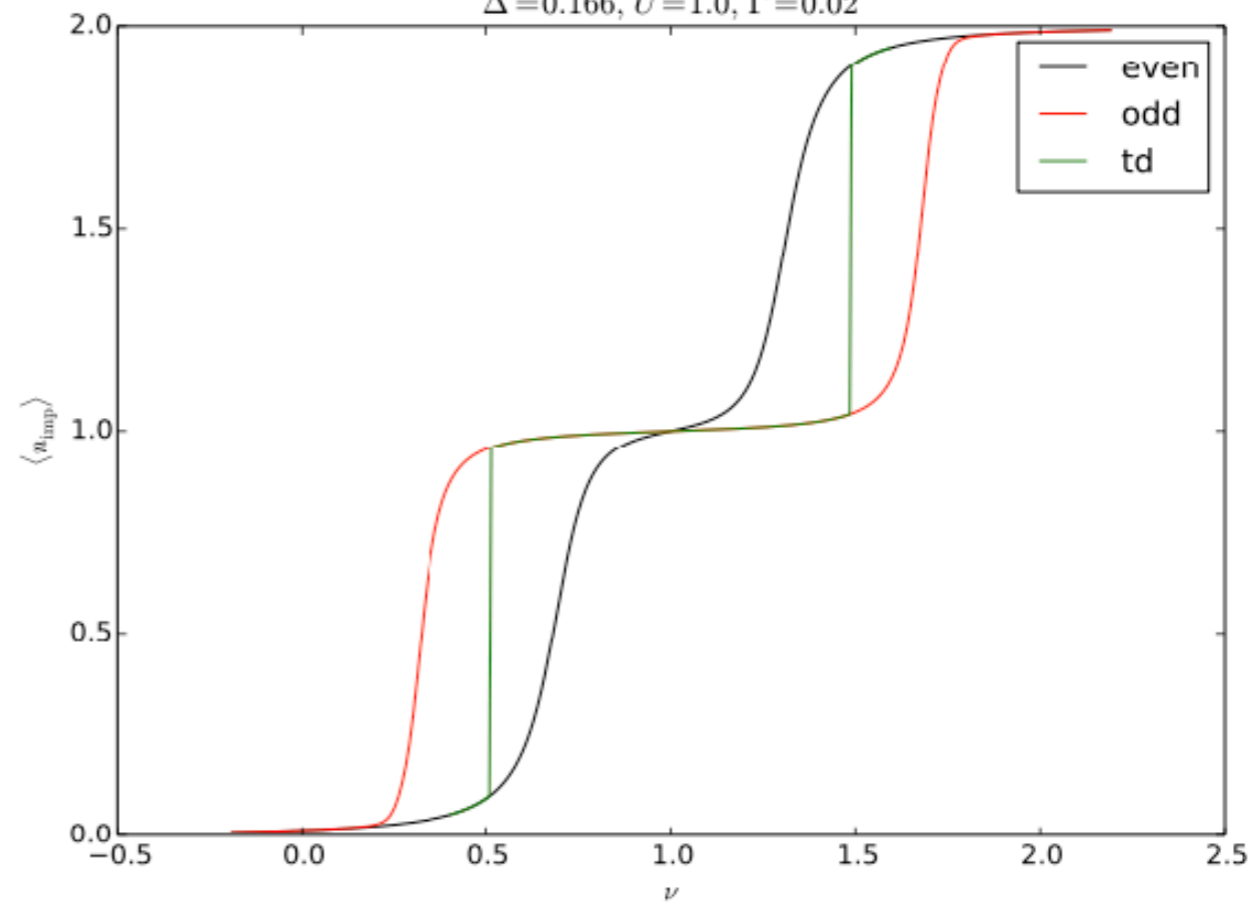
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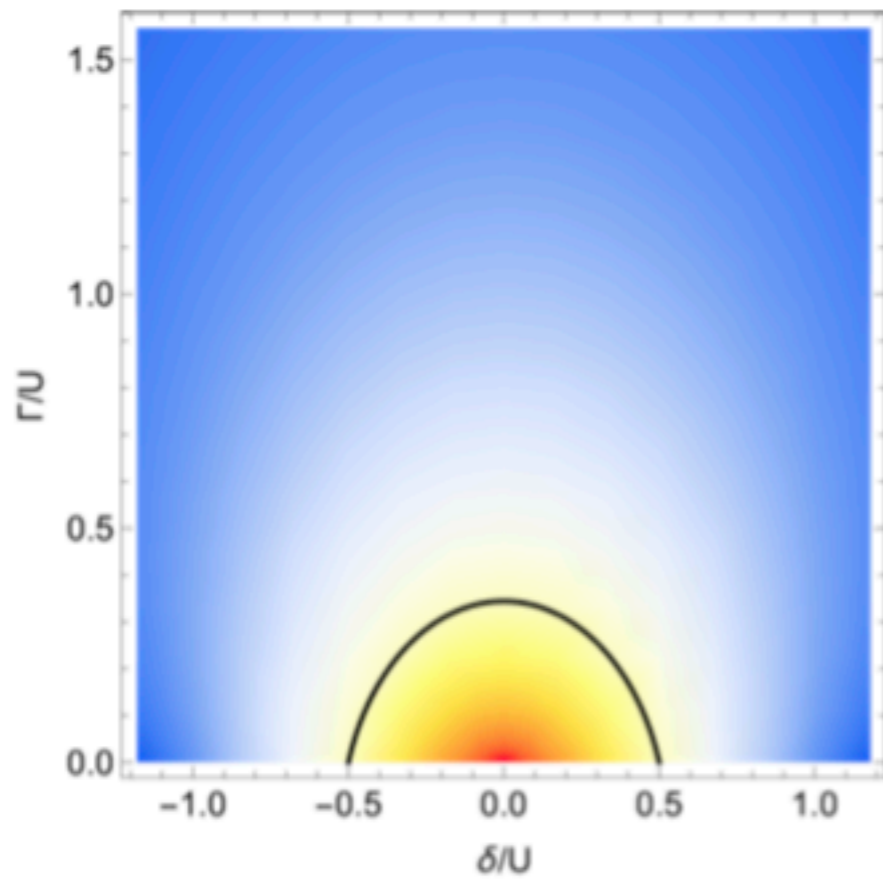


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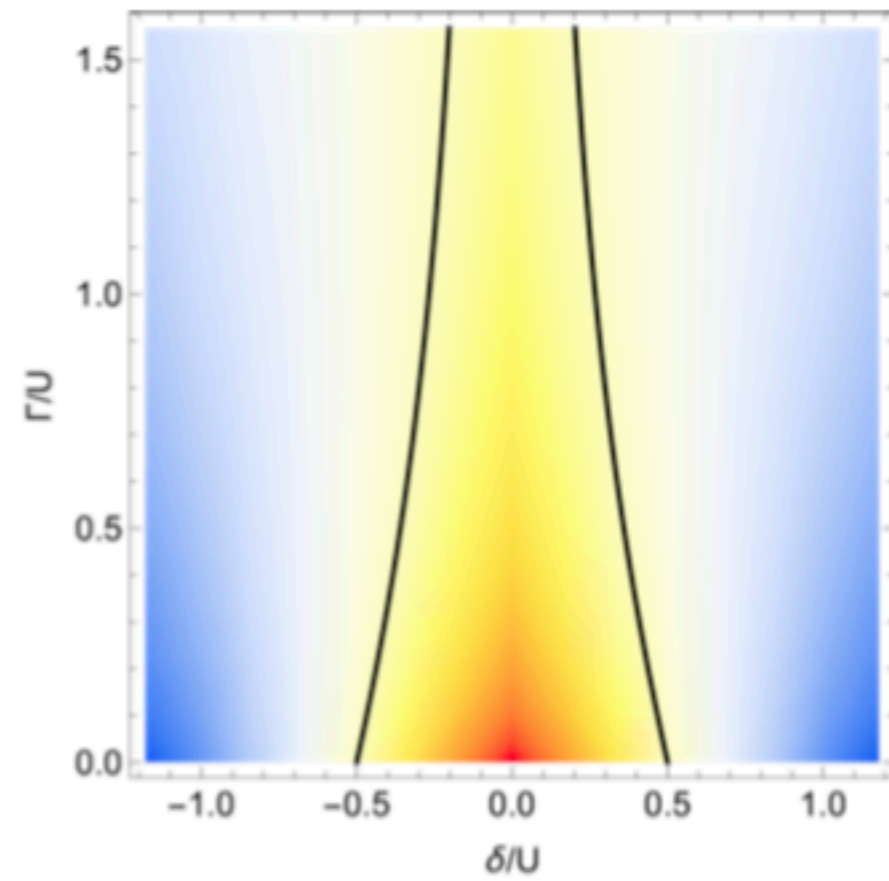


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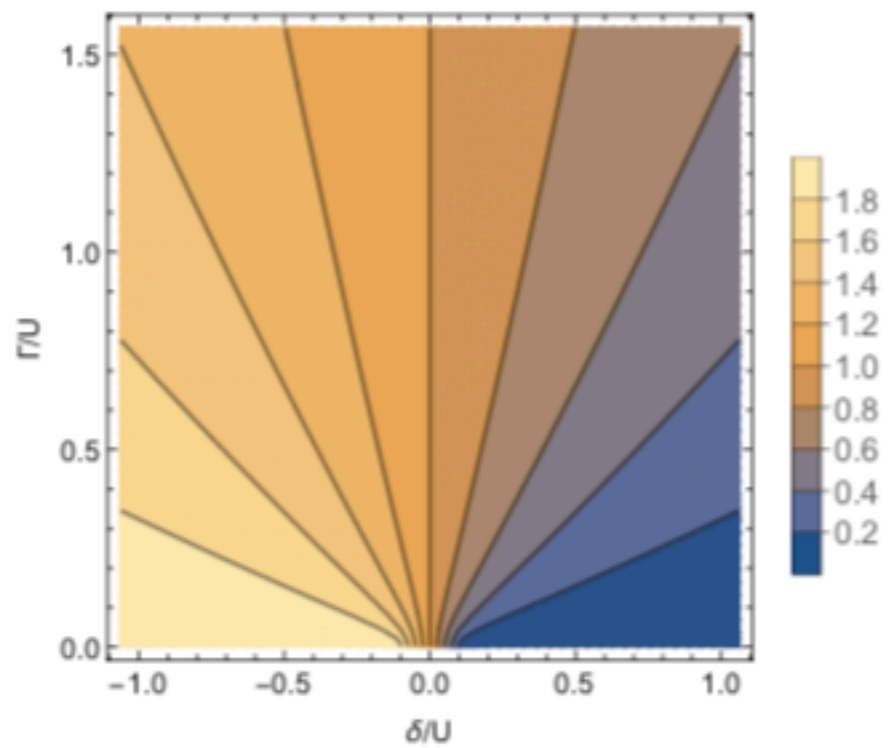




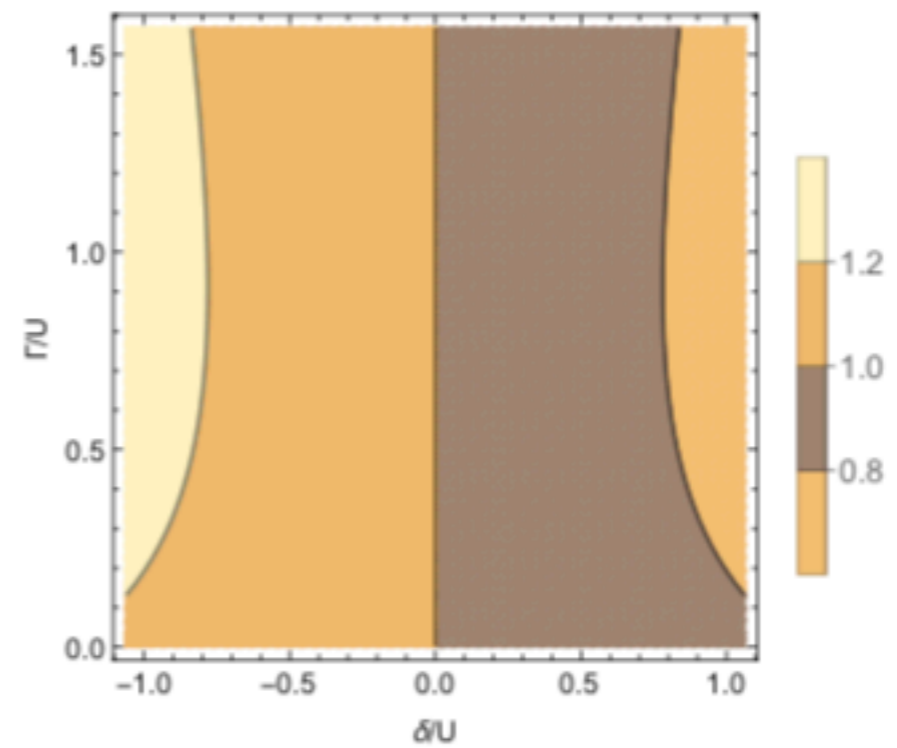
(a) Phase diagram at  $\phi = 0$



(b) Phase diagram at  $\phi = \pi$

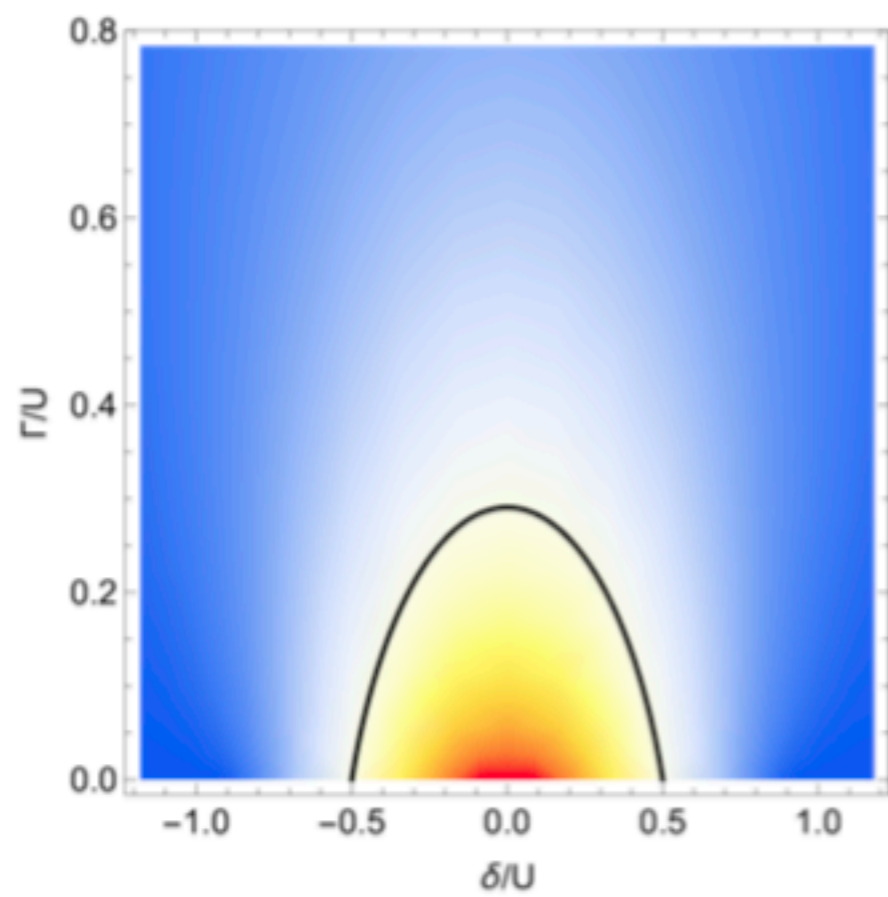


(g)  $n_{\text{imp}}$  for  $S = 0$

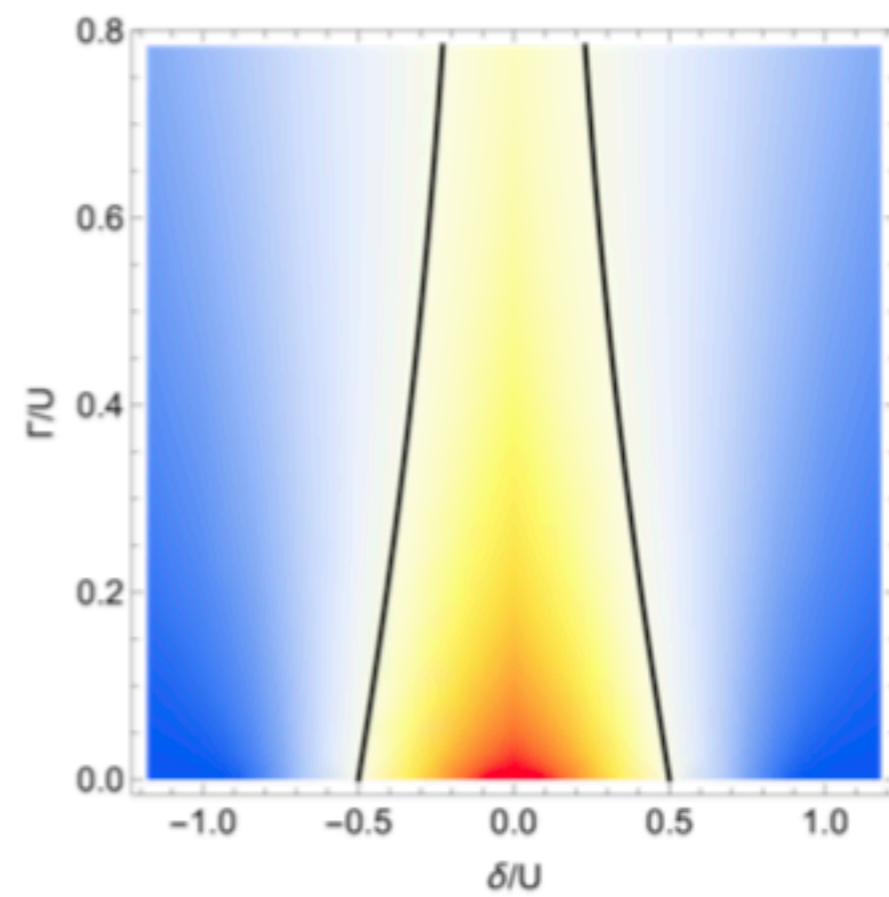


(h)  $n_{\text{imp}}$  for  $S = 1/2$

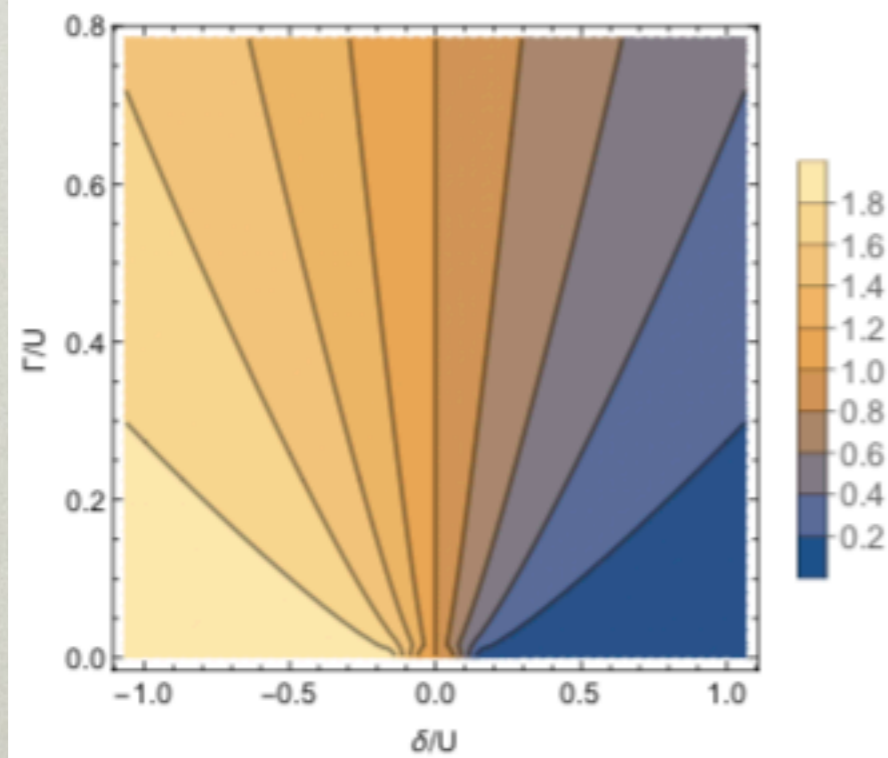
Figure 9: Results for  $U/\Delta = 1.25$ .



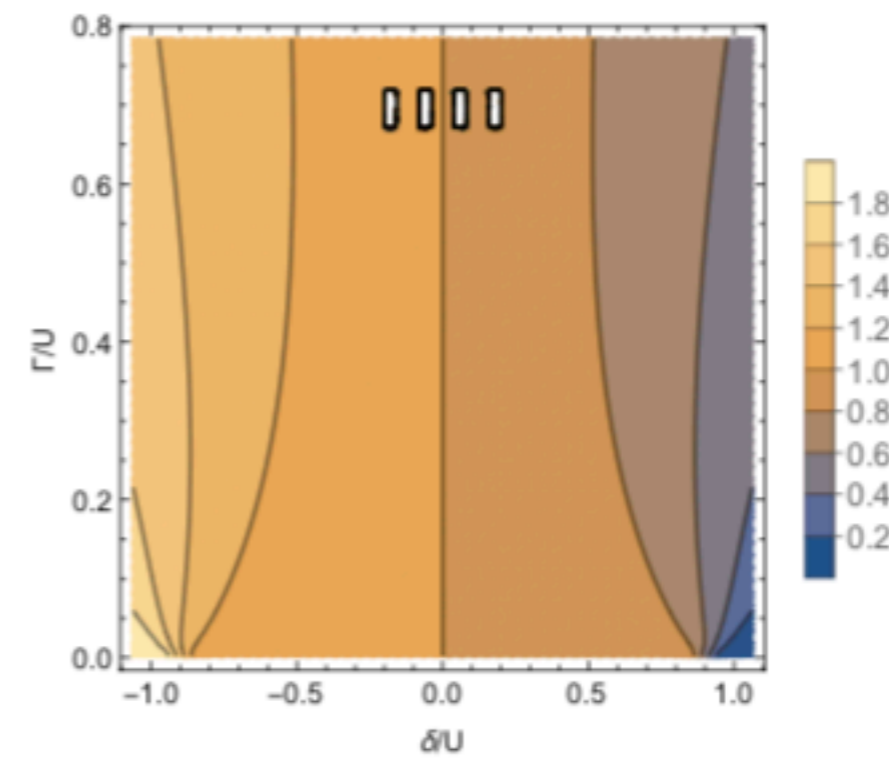
(a) Phase diagram at  $\phi = 0$



(b) Phase diagram at  $\phi = \pi$

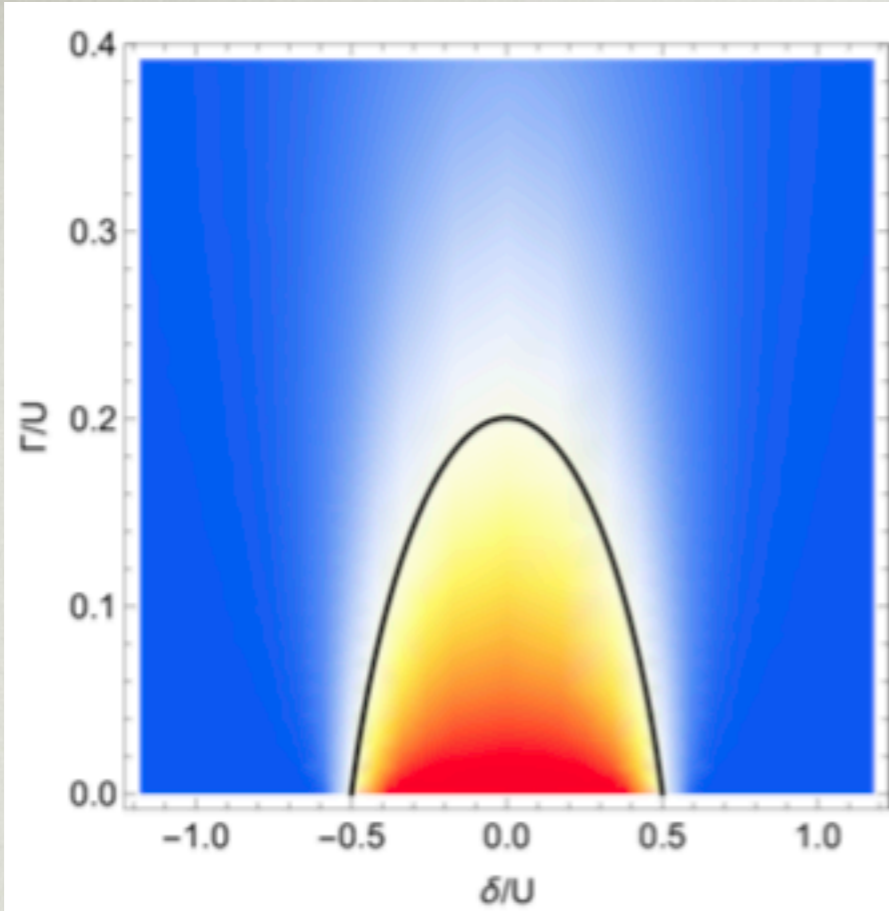


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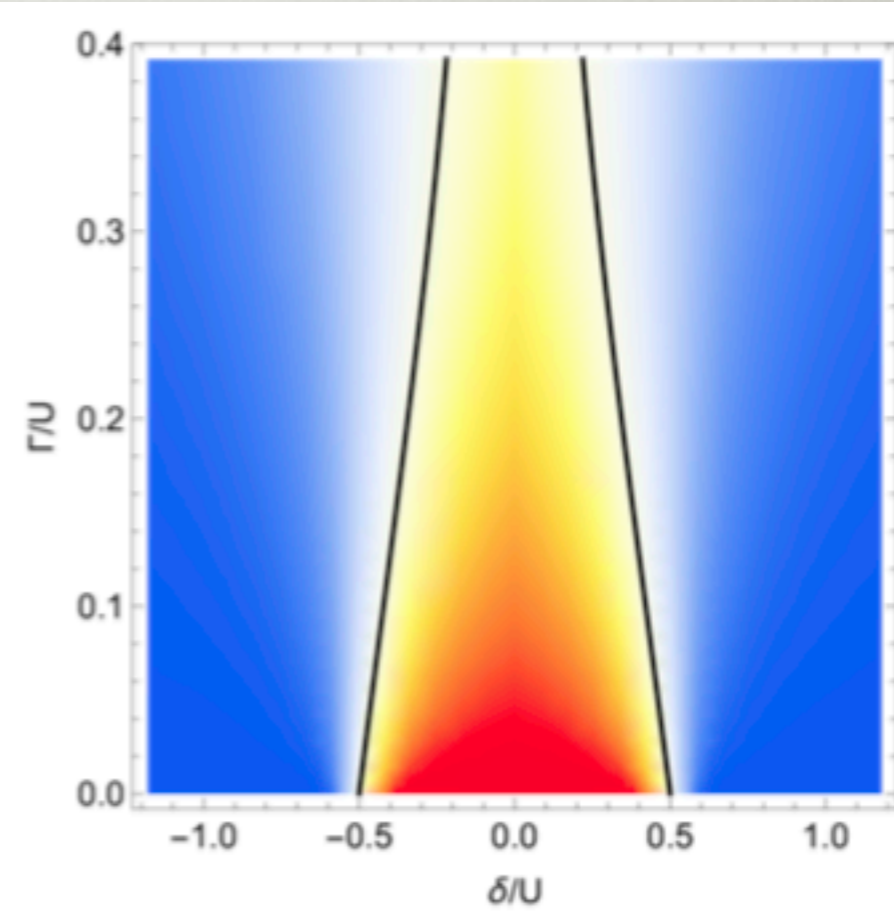


(h)  $n_{\text{imp}}$  for  $S = 1/2$

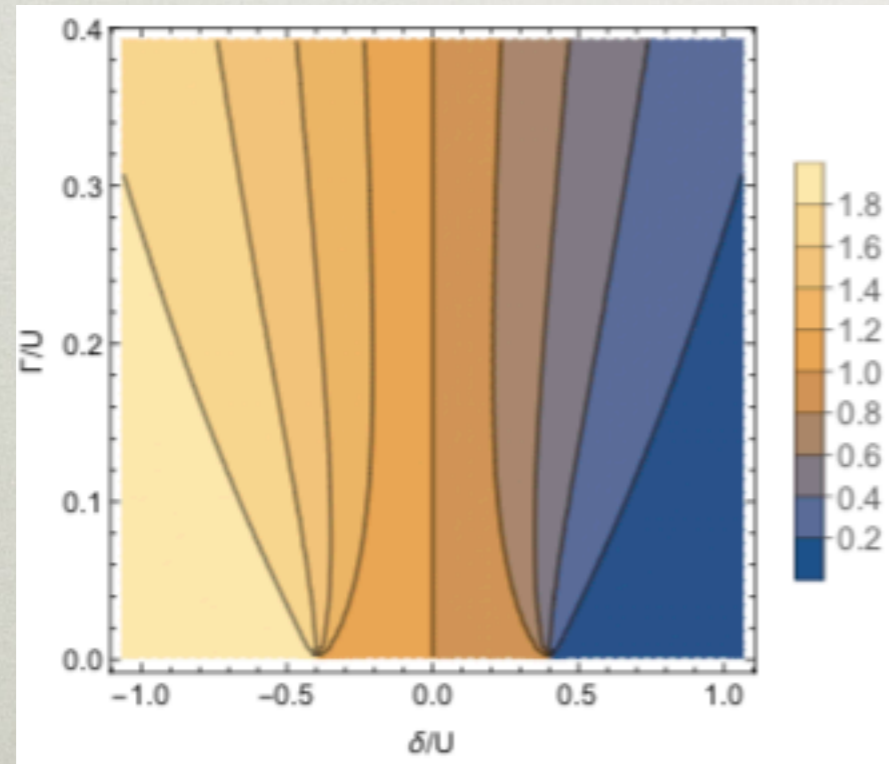
Figure 10: Results for  $U/\Delta = 2.5$ .



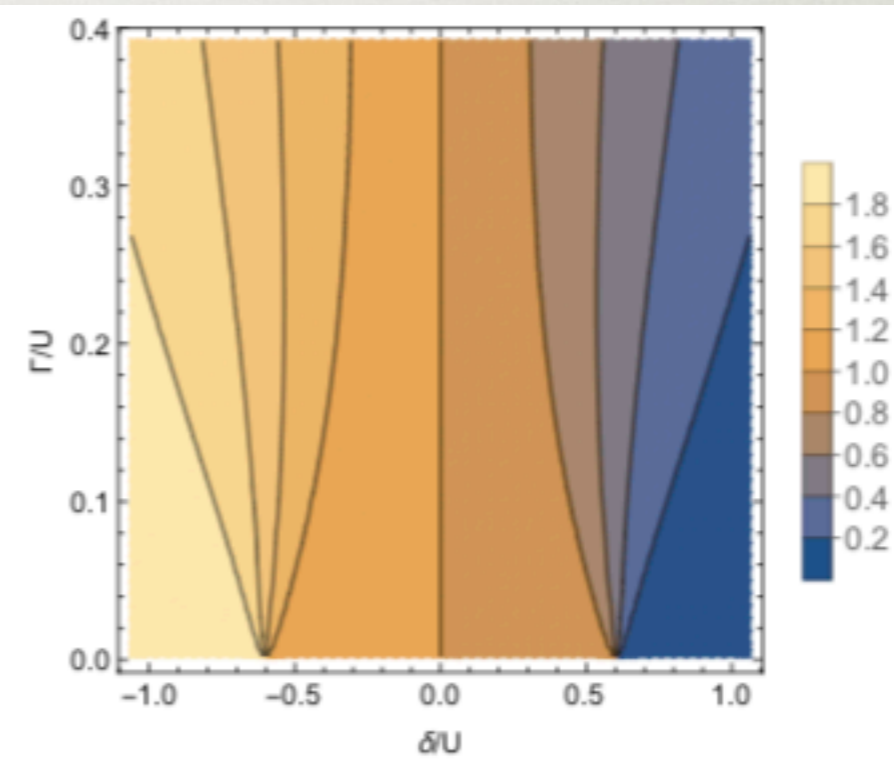
(a) Phase diagram at  $\phi = 0$



(b) Phase diagram at  $\phi = \pi$



(g)  $n_{\text{imp}}$  for  $S = 0$



(h)  $n_{\text{imp}}$  for  $S = 1/2$

Figure 11: Results for  $U/\Delta = 10$ .

# EFFECTS OF CHANNEL ASYMMETRY

$$\Delta(z) = \sum_{\alpha=1,2} \frac{|V_{\alpha}|^2}{z^2 - [(\epsilon - \mu)^2 + \Delta^2]} \begin{pmatrix} z + (\epsilon - \mu) & -\Delta e^{i\phi_{\alpha}} \\ -\Delta e^{-i\phi_{\alpha}} & z - (\epsilon - \mu) \end{pmatrix}$$

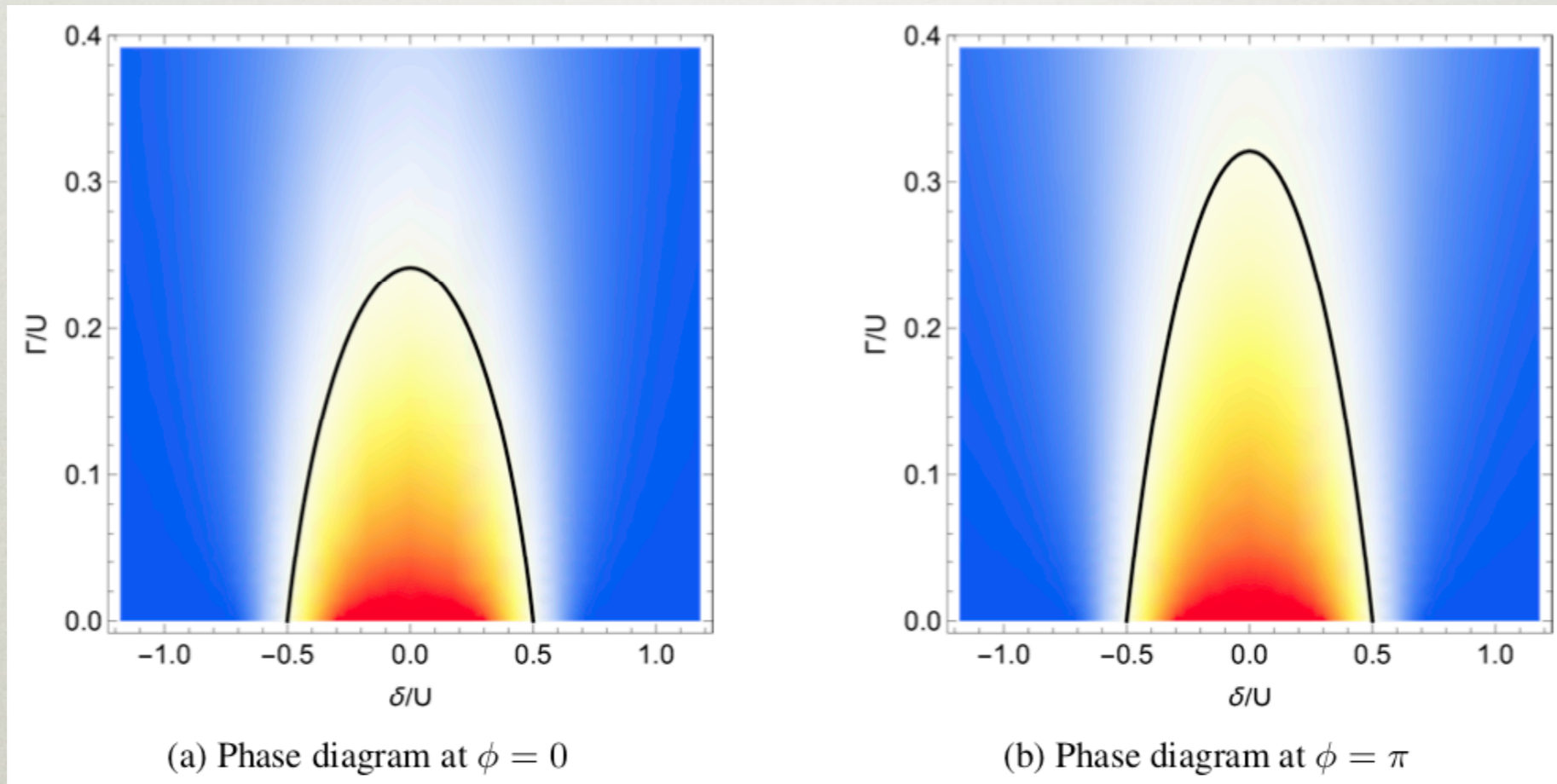
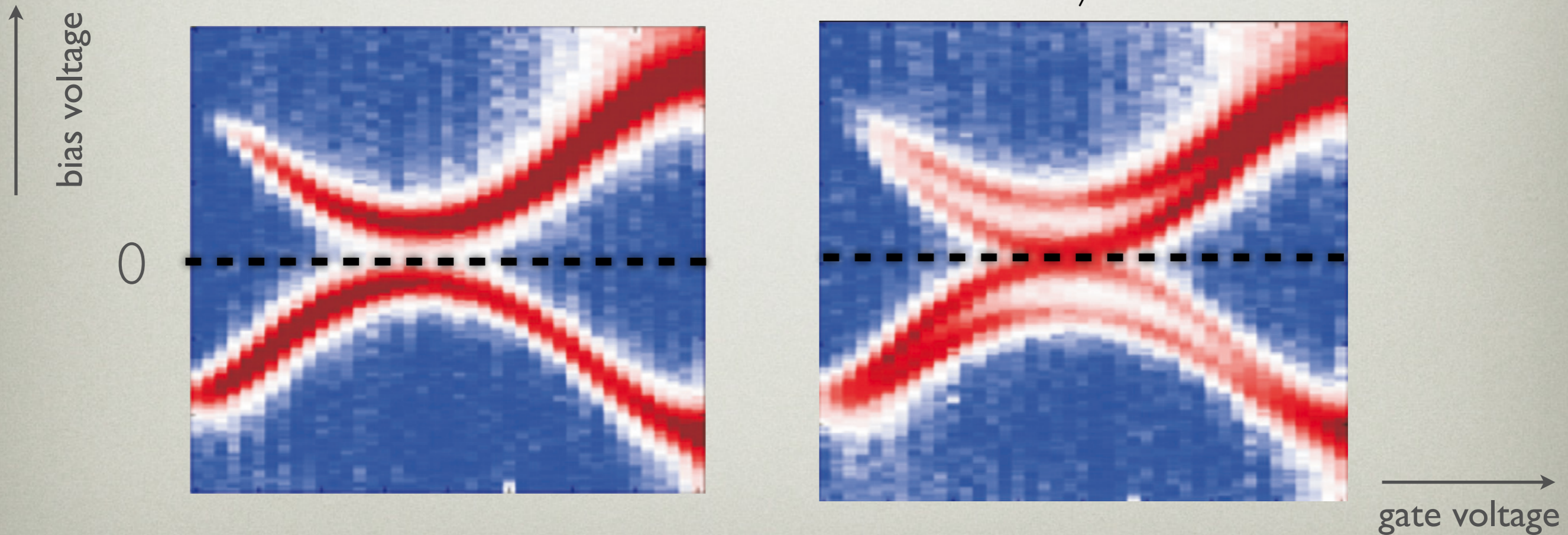
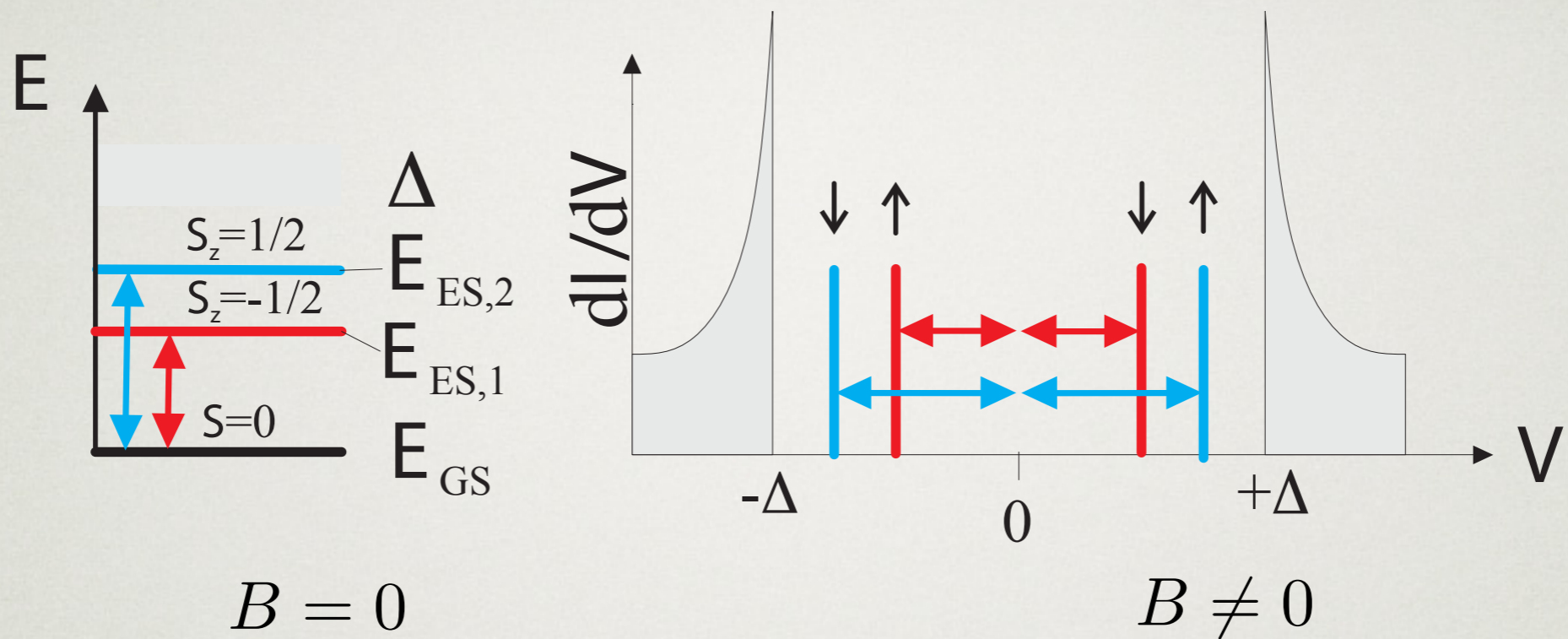


Figure 13: Results for  $U/\Delta = 5$ ,  $\Gamma_1/\Gamma_2 = 5$ .

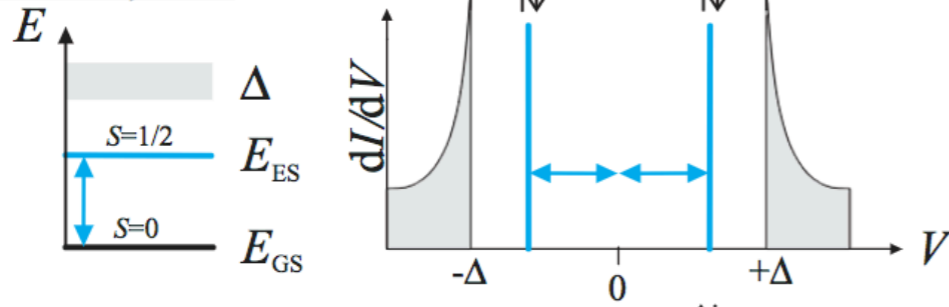
# ZEEMAN SPLITTING OF YSR STATES



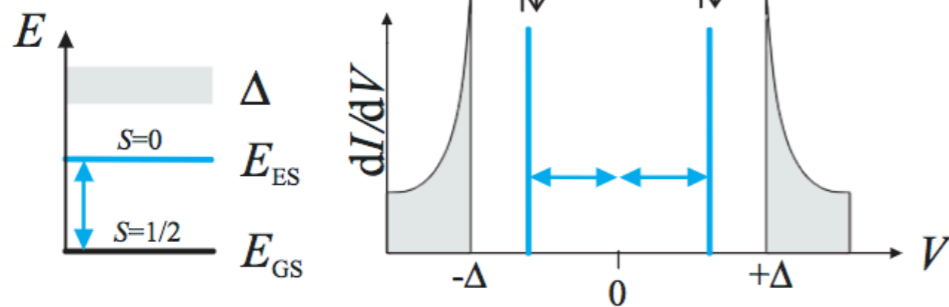
# RELATION BETWEEN MANY-BODY STATES AND SINGLE-PARTICLE SPECTRAL FUNCTION

No magnetic field,  $B=0$

Case I:  
 $T_K > \Delta$

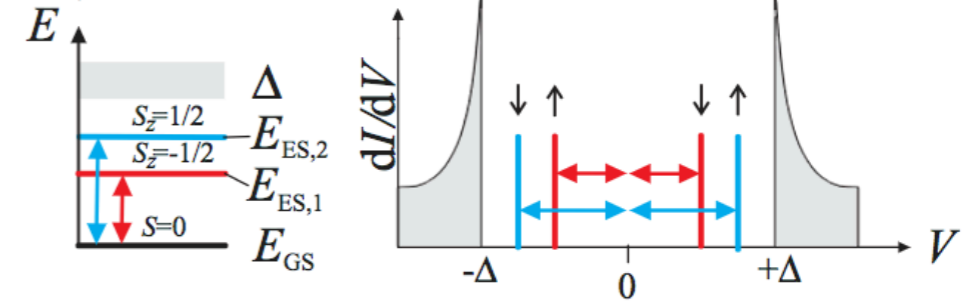


Case II:  
 $T_K < \Delta$

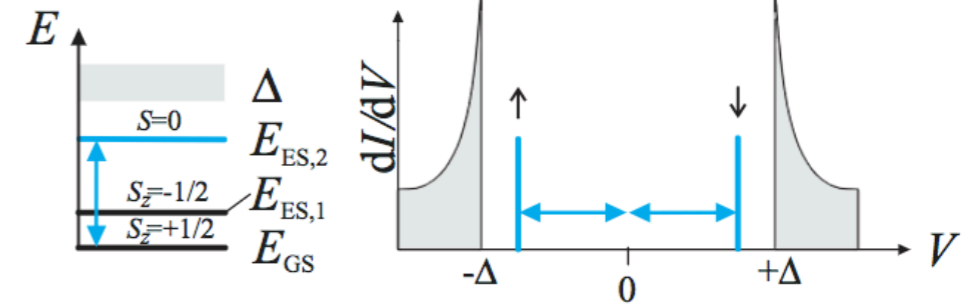


Magnetic field,  $B \neq 0$

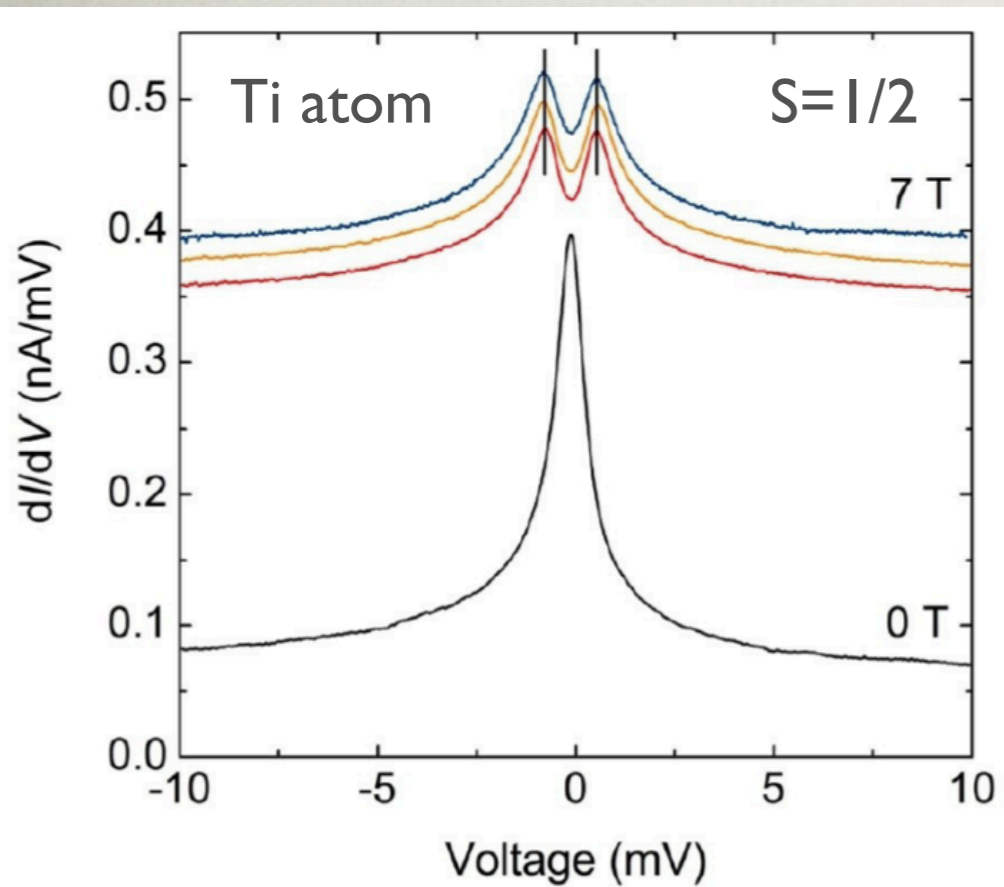
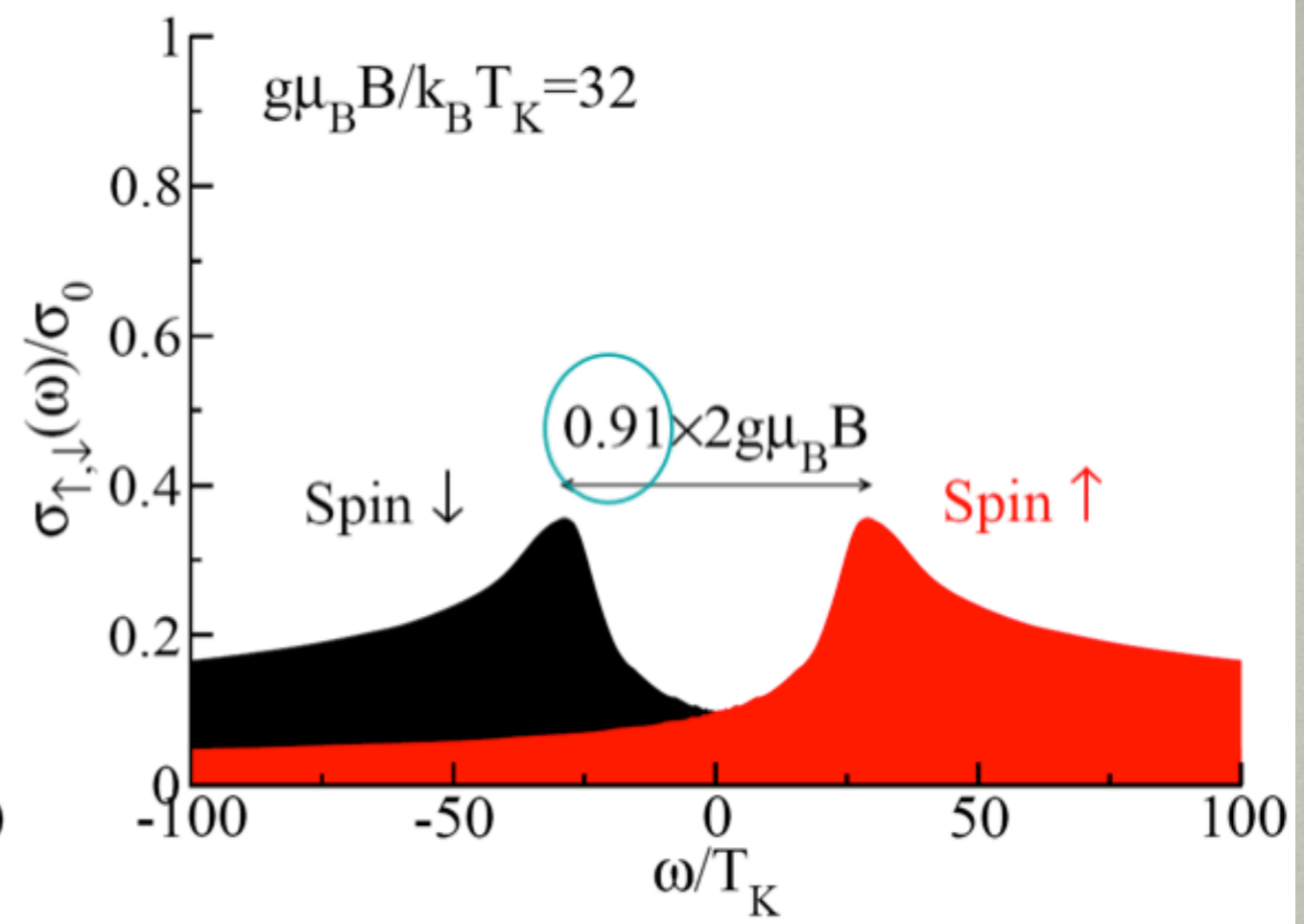
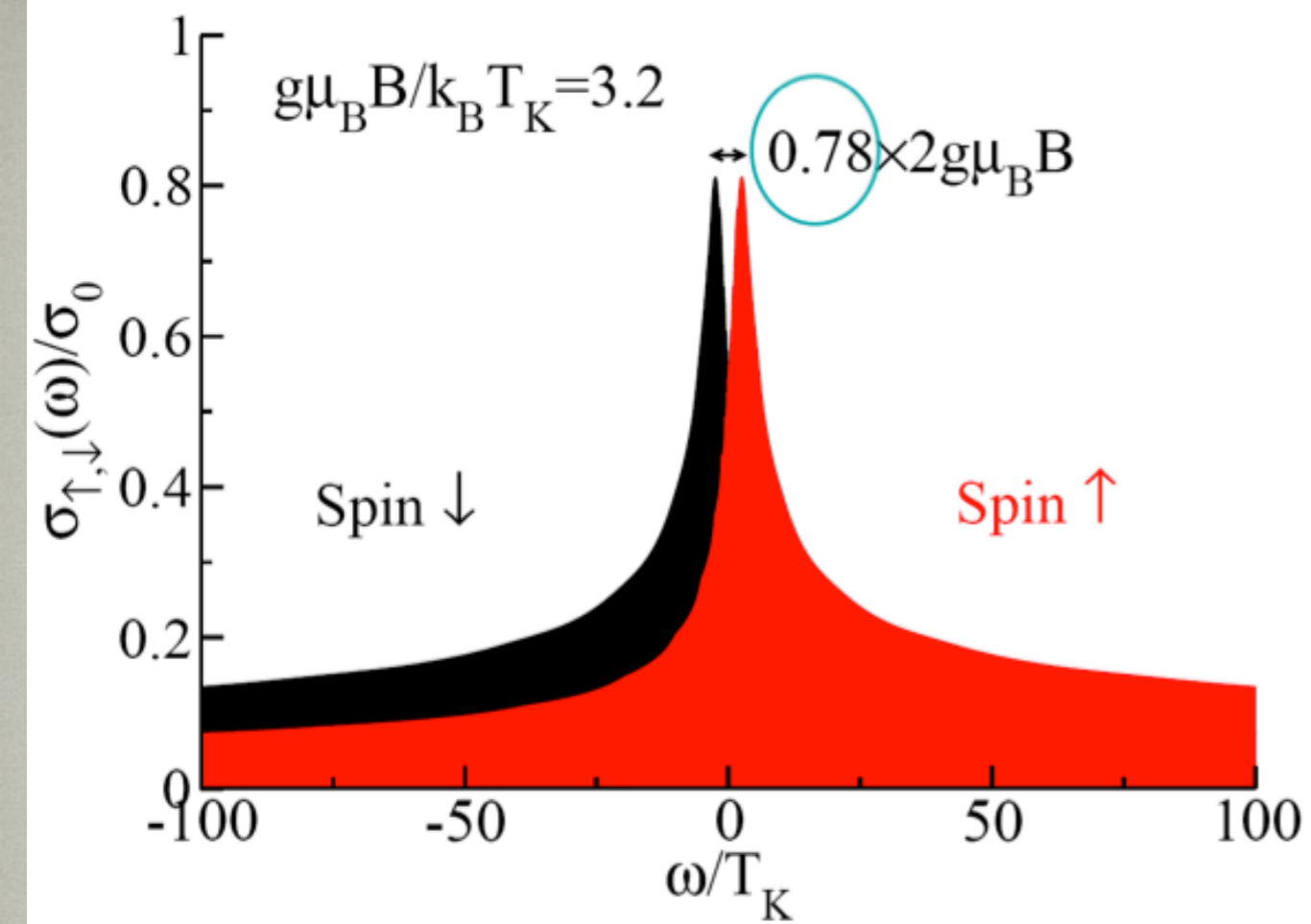
Case I:  
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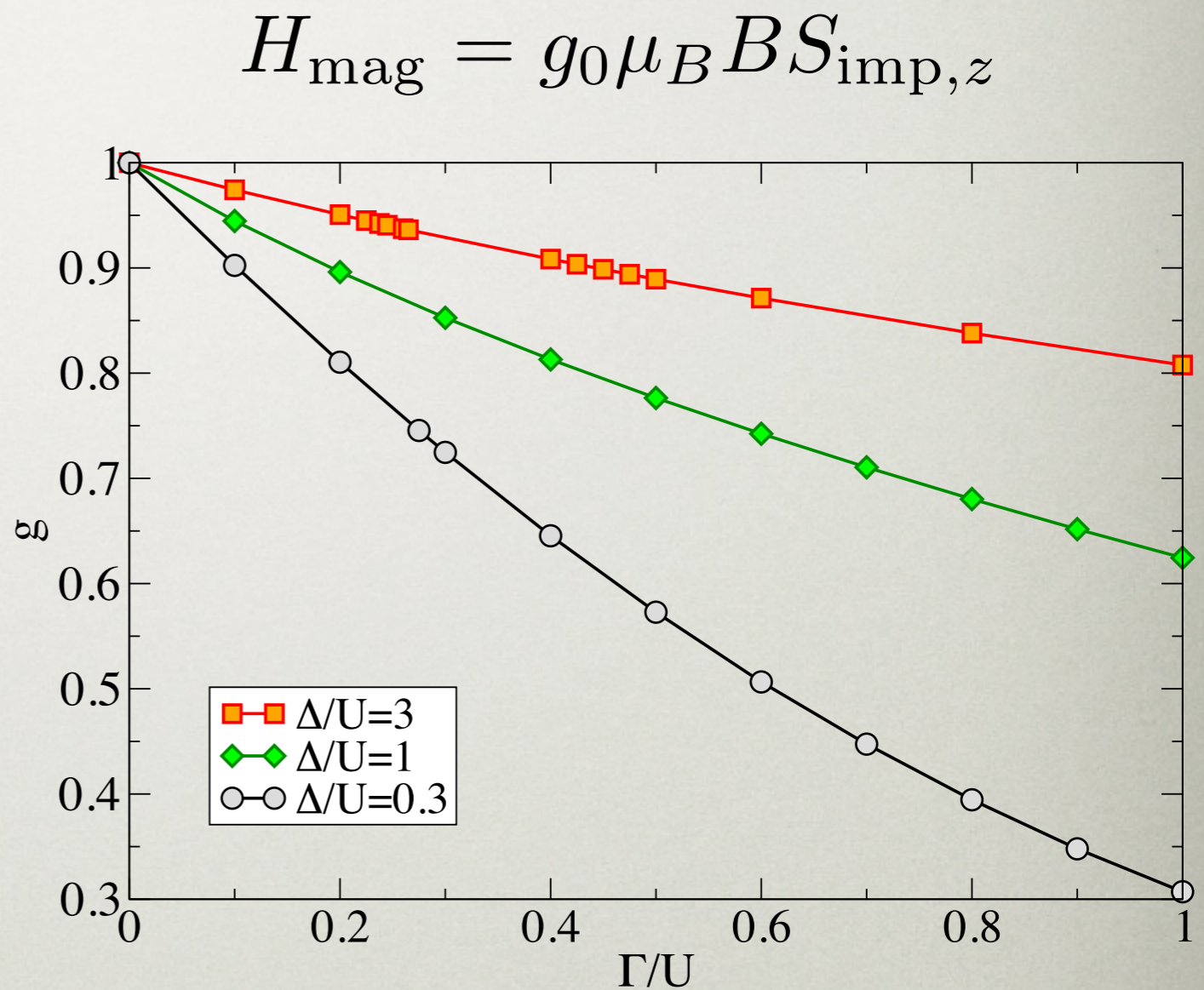
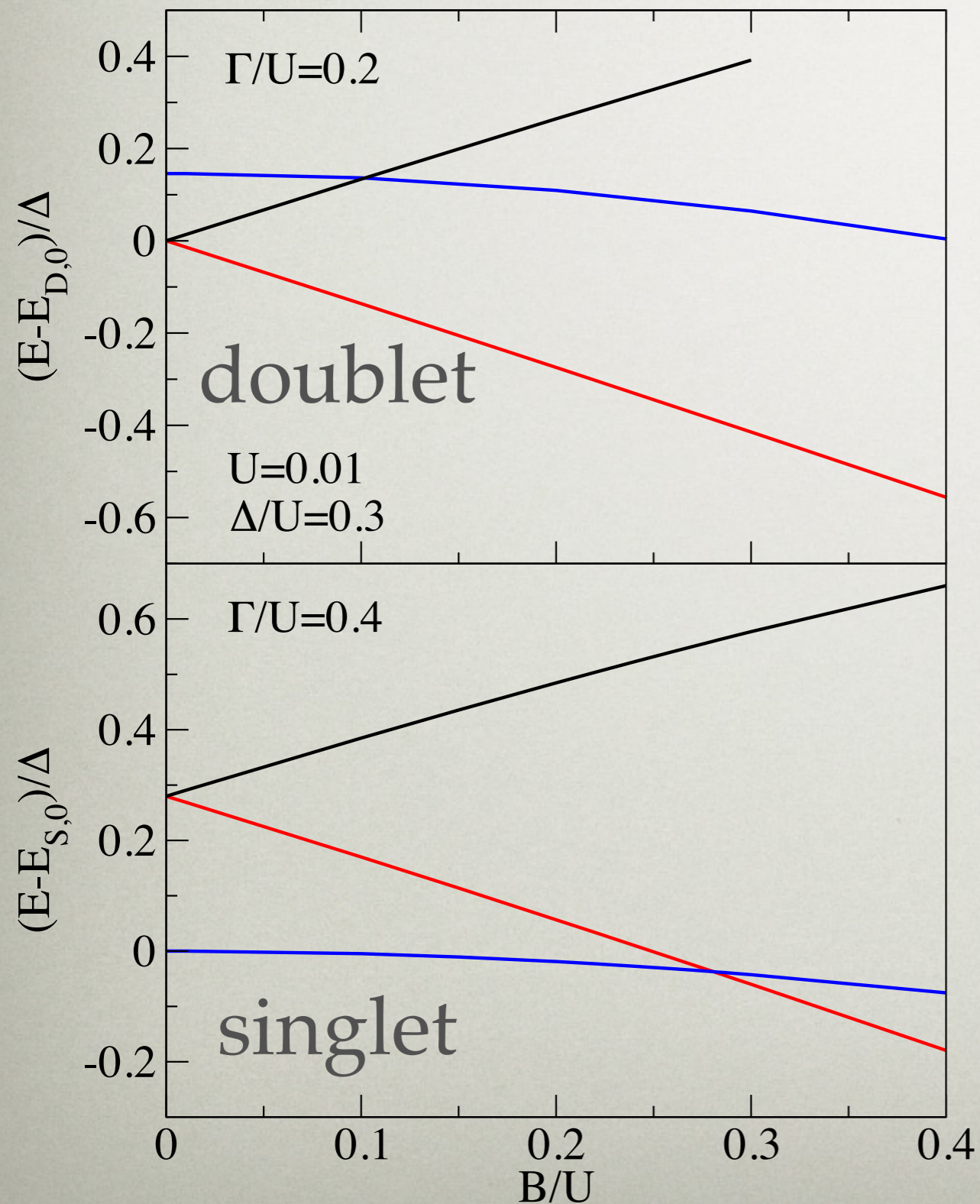






S. Otte et al., Nature Physics 4, 847 (2008)

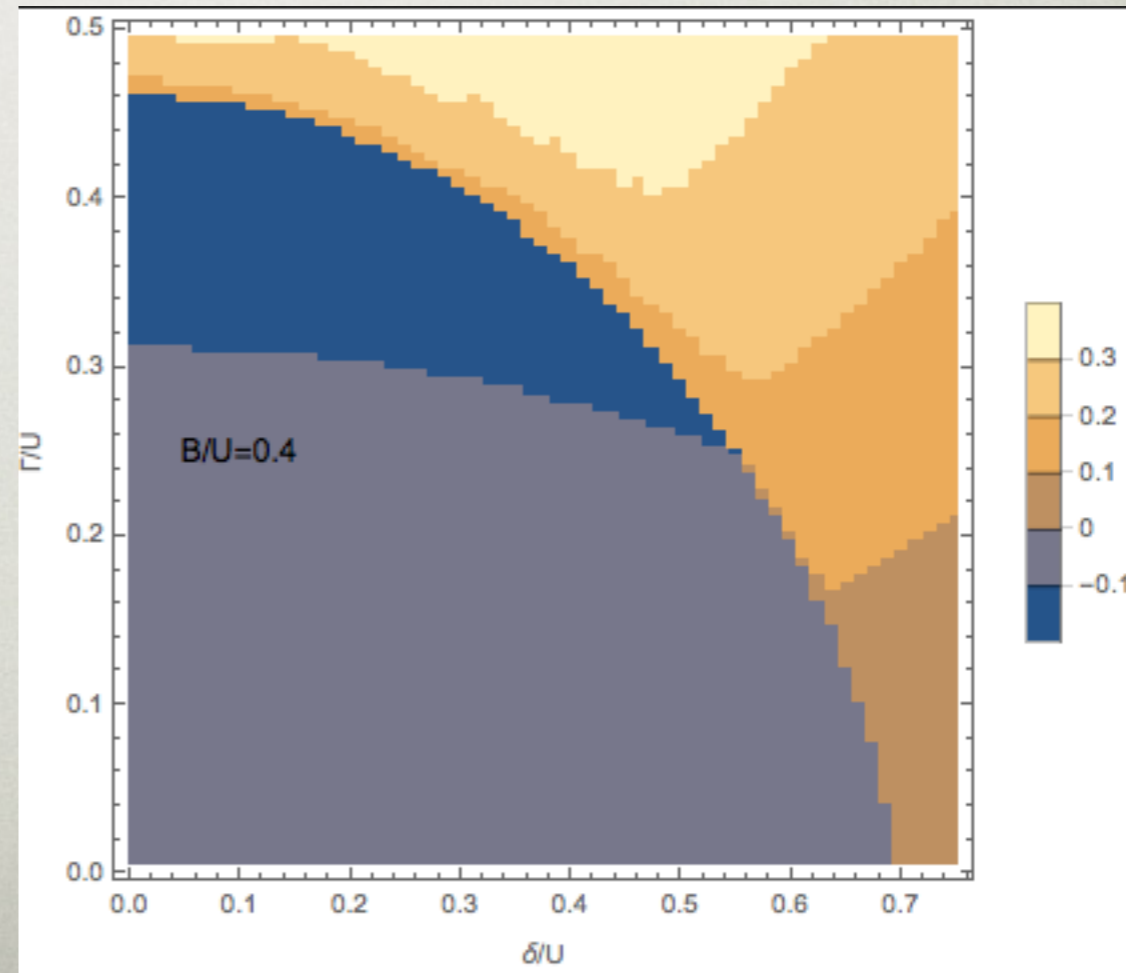
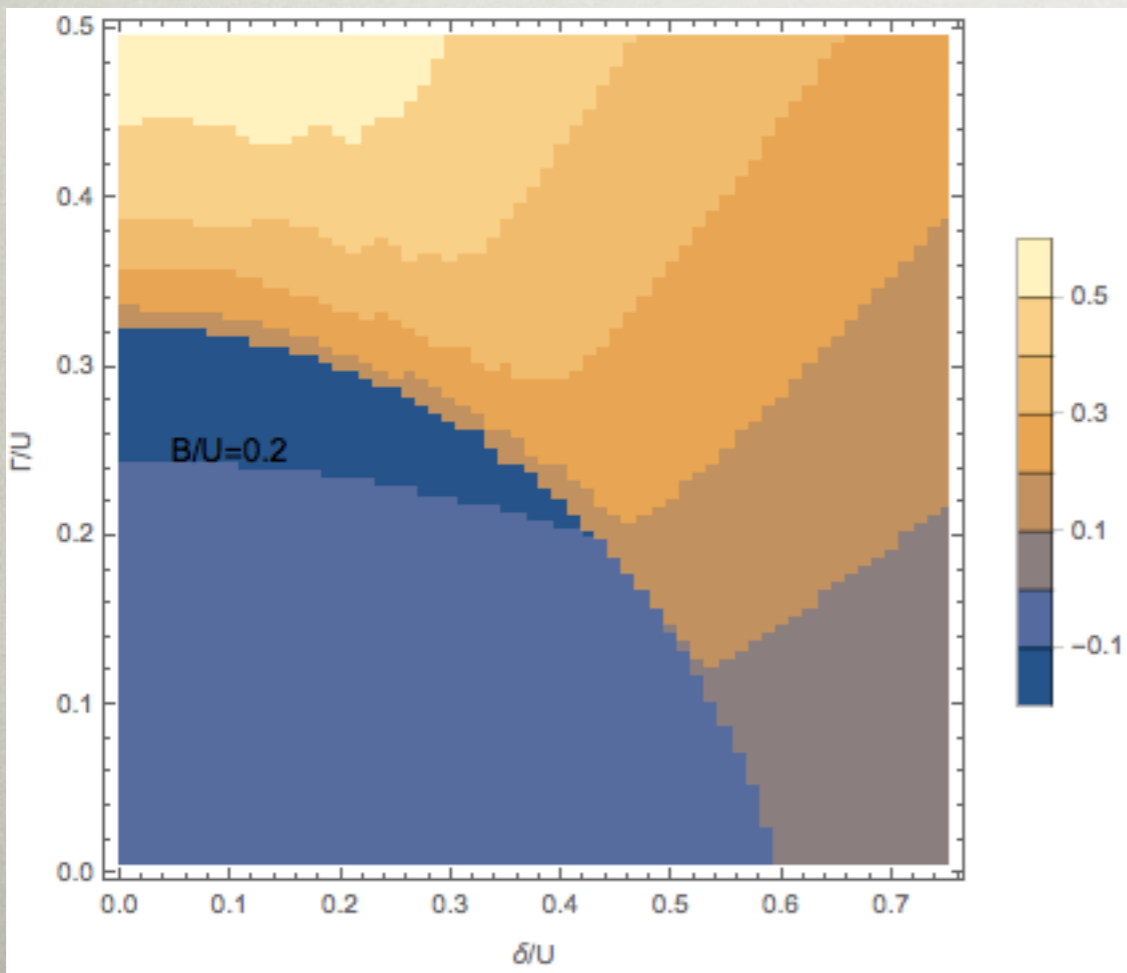
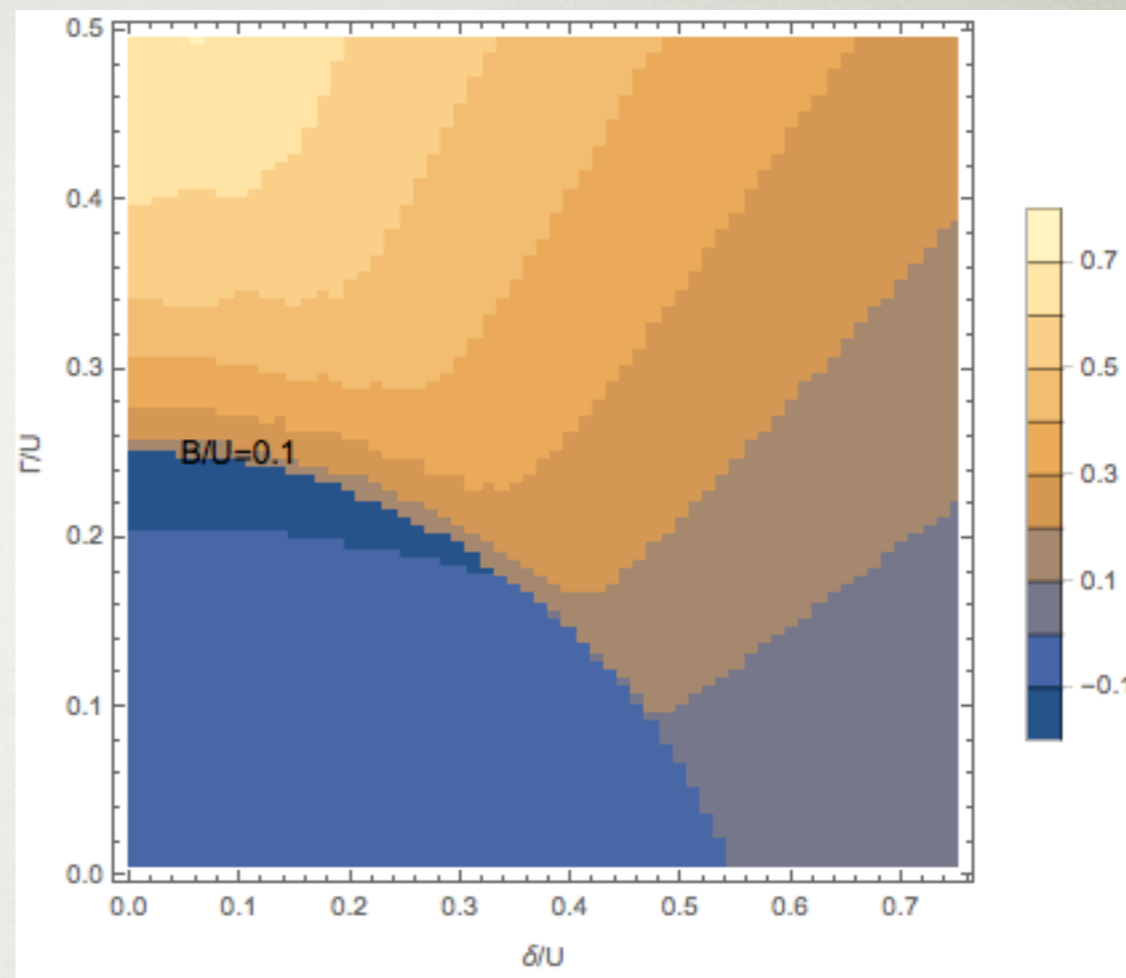
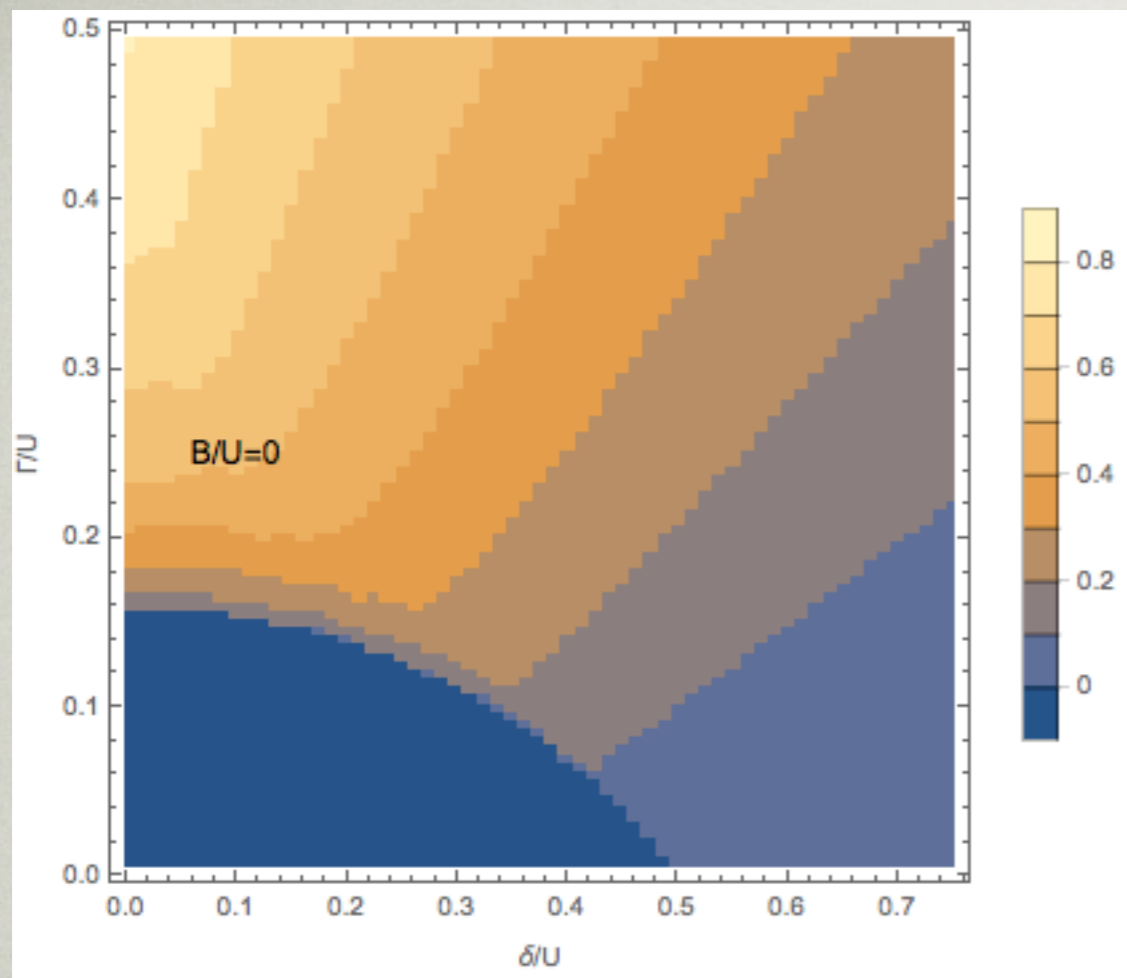
# MAGNETIC FIELD EFFECTS ON SHIBA STATES



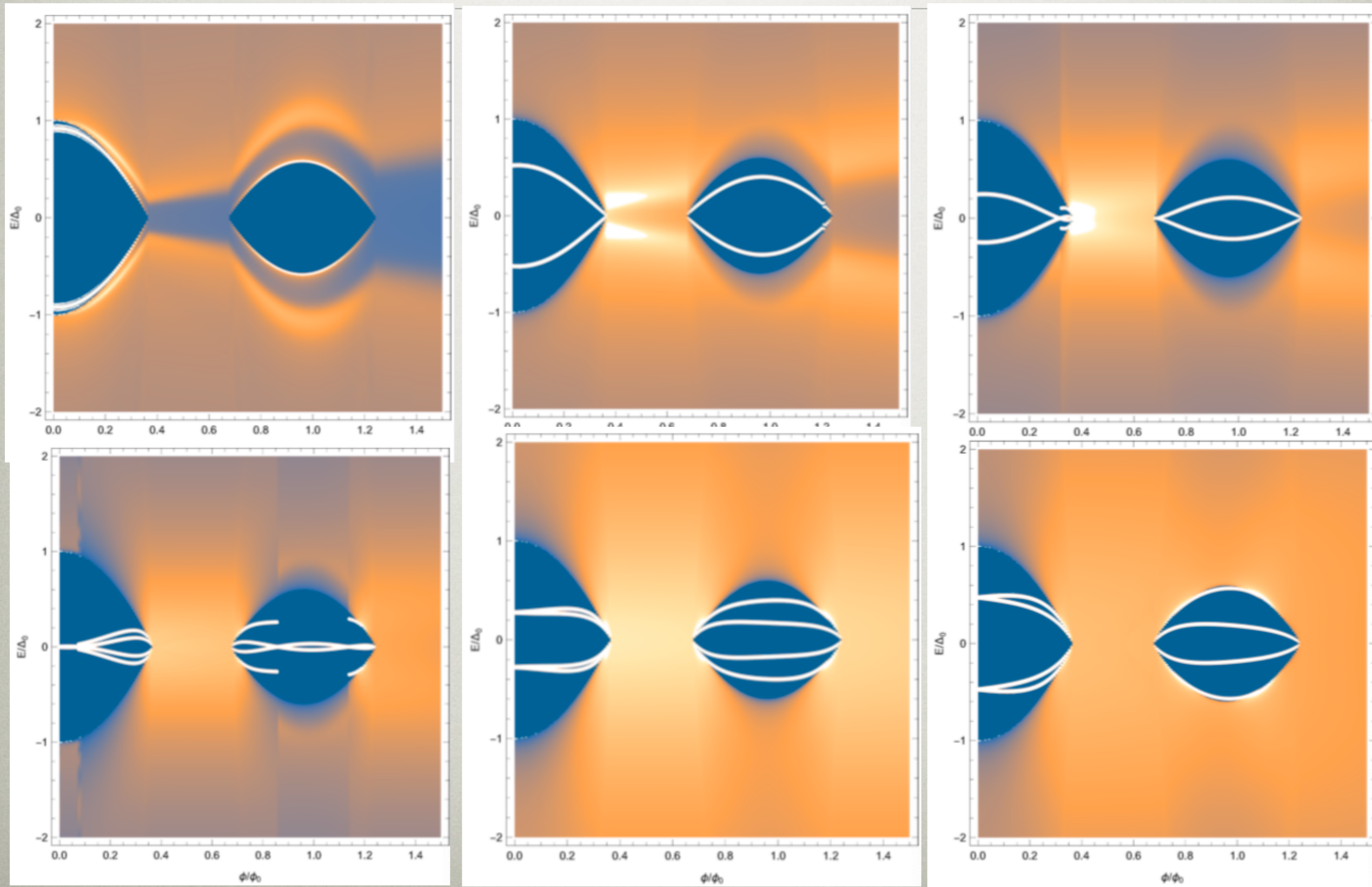
relative g factor

$$g = \frac{E_{\uparrow} - E_{\downarrow}}{g_0 \mu_B B}$$

strongly renormalized  
by Kondo exchange coupling!



# FULL-SHELL NANOWIRES

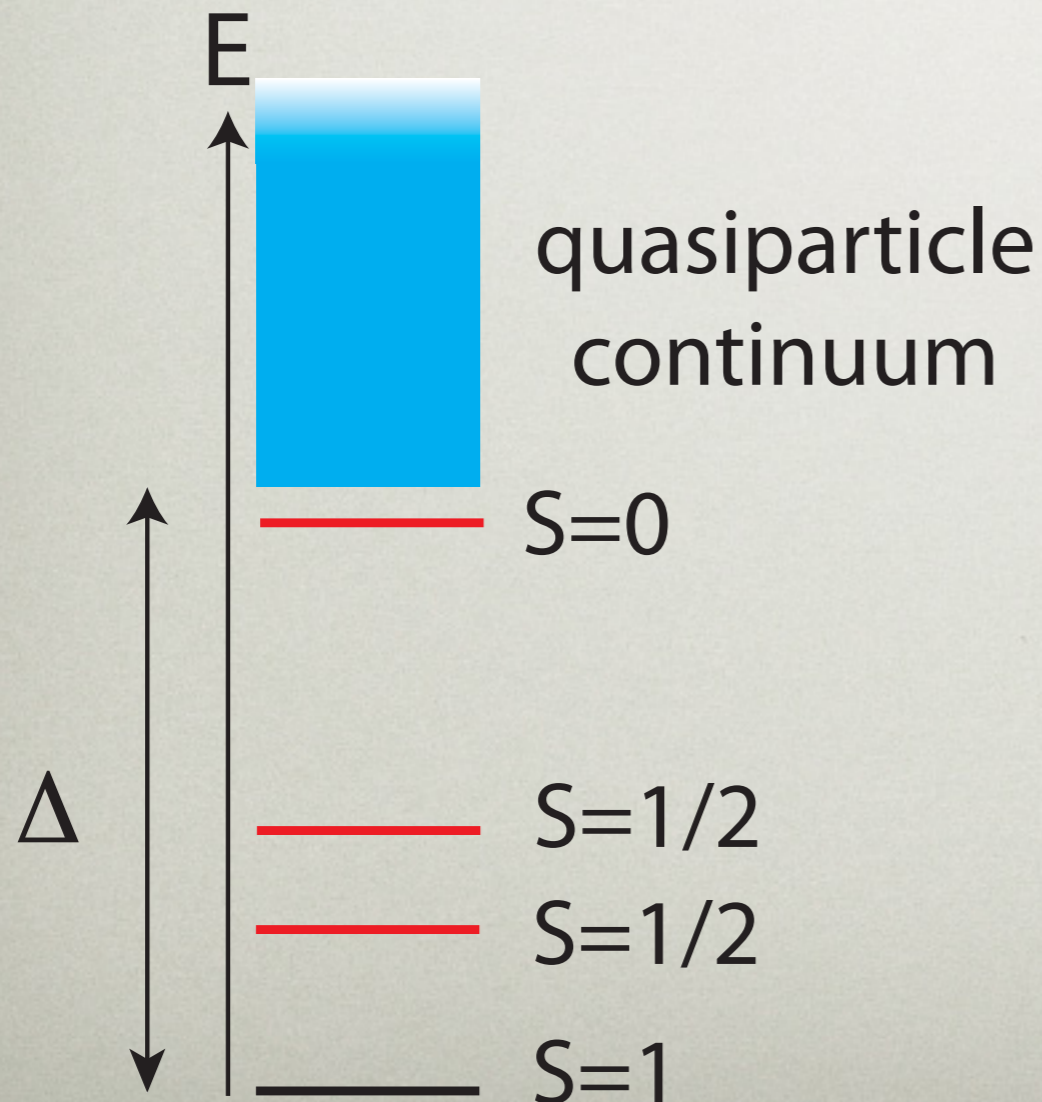


# SHIBA STATES IN HIGH-SPIN IMPURITIES

$$H_{\text{imp}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{ch}}} J_i \mathbf{S}_{\text{imp}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i$$

coupling to multiple "channels" with different orbital symmetries

Example:  $S_{\text{imp}} = 1$



Transitions with  $\Delta S_z = \pm 1/2$  are observable in tunneling spectroscopy

# MAGNETIC ANISOTROPY FOR $S \geq 1$

(ALSO KNOWN AS “ZERO-FIELD SPLITTING”)

$$H_{\text{aniso}} = DS_z^2 + E(S_x^2 - S_y^2)$$

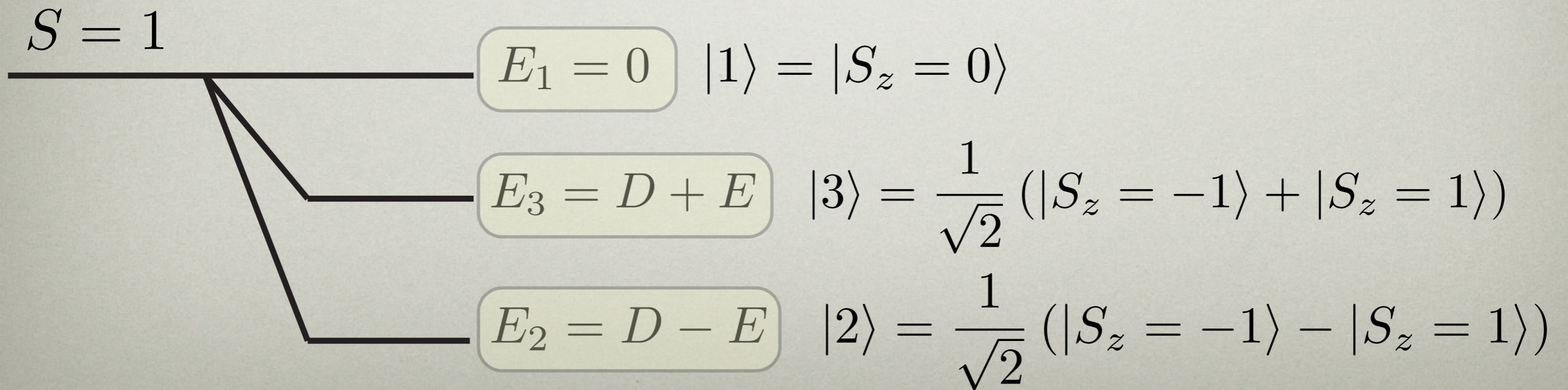
$$= DS_z^2 + E(S_+^2 + S_-^2)$$

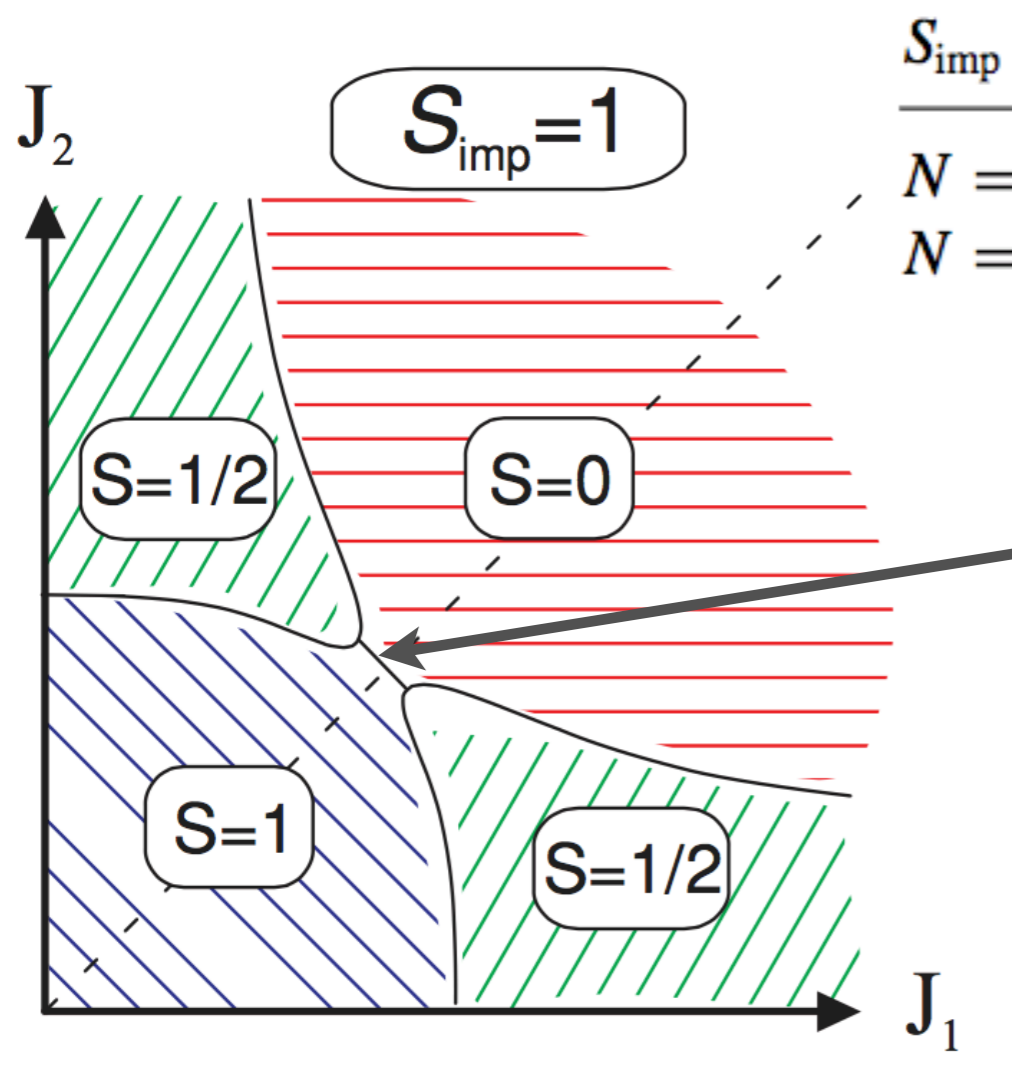
longitudinal anisotropy

transverse anisotropy

Example ( $S=1$ ):

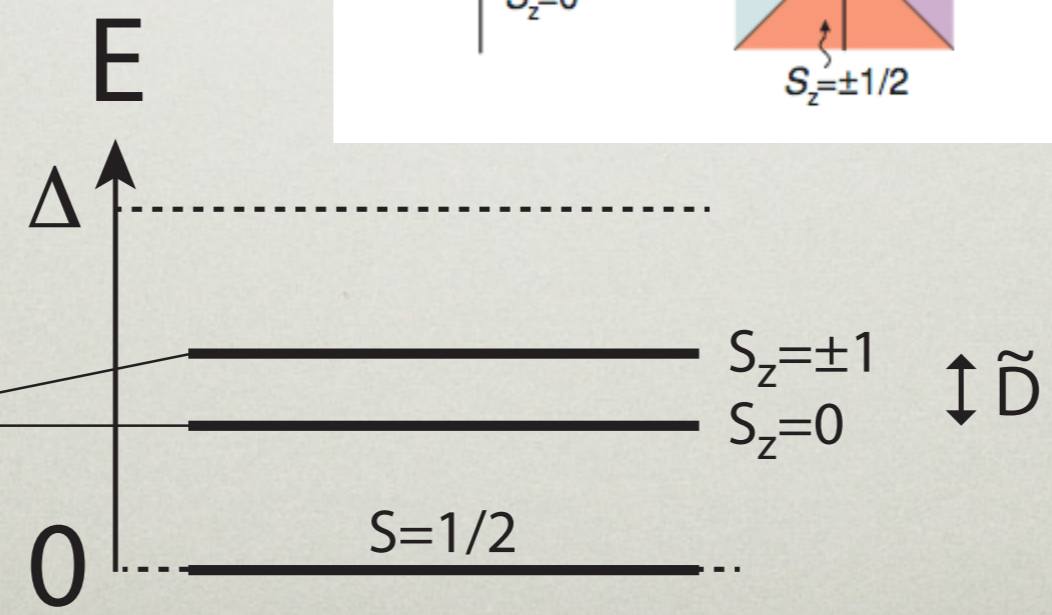
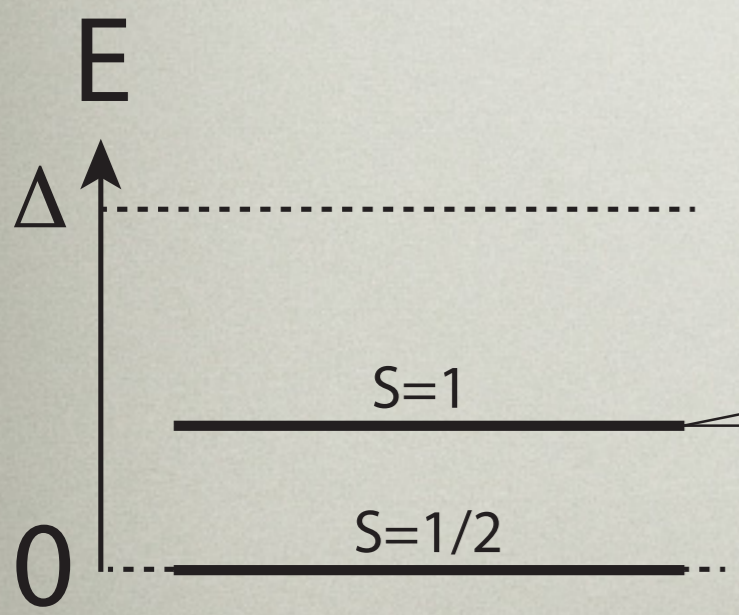
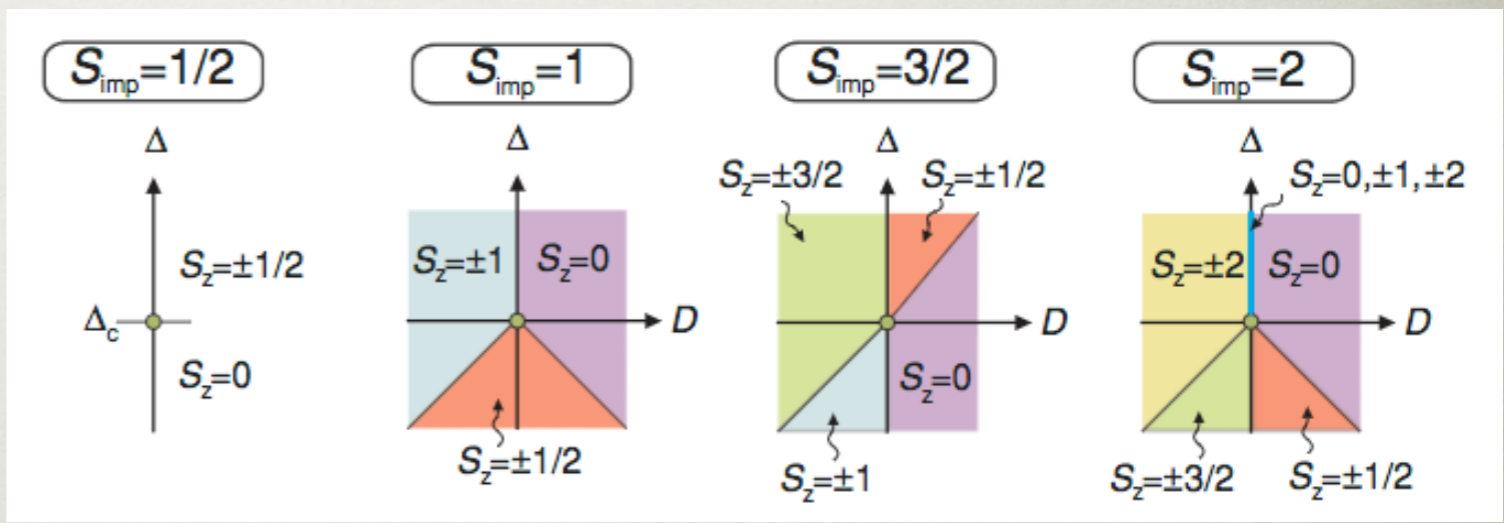
$$H_{\text{aniso}} = \begin{pmatrix} D & 0 & E \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E & 0 & D \end{pmatrix}$$





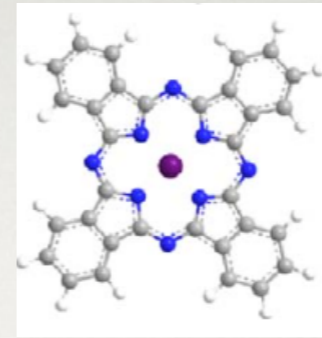
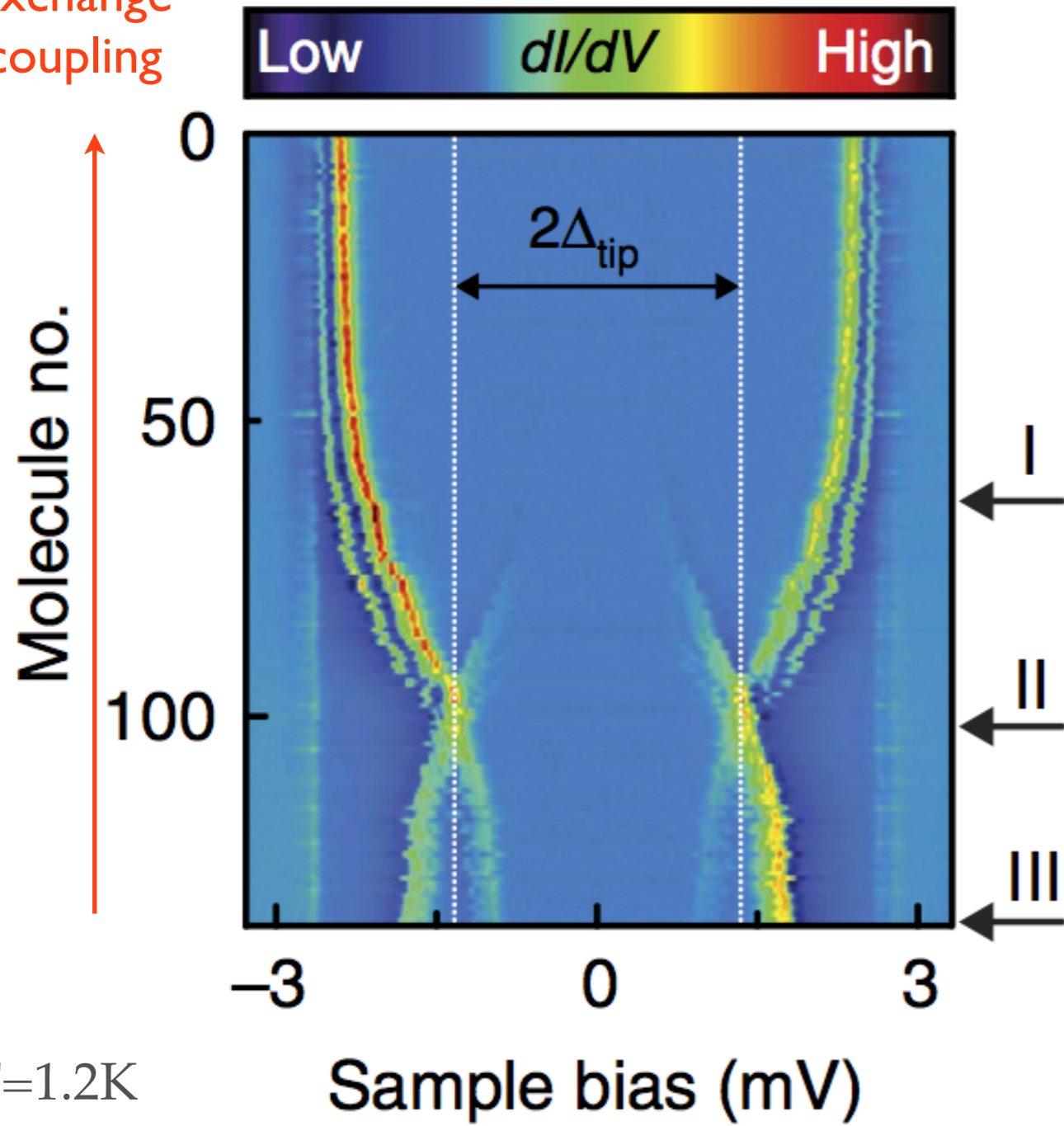
$S_{\text{imp}}$	$1/2$	$1$	$3/2$	$2$	$5/2$
$N = 1$	3.7	5.9	10.3	19.8	43
$N = 2$	0.70	5.7	11.3	23	51

$$\frac{\Delta_c}{T_K} = 5.7$$



renormalized from bare D

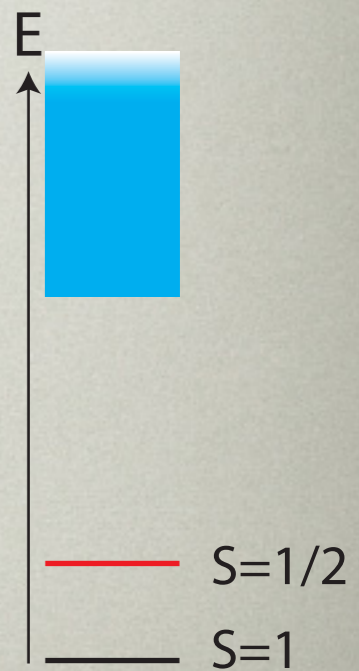
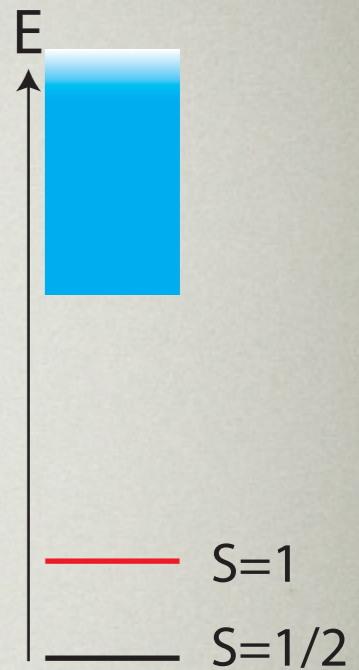
increasing  
exchange  
coupling



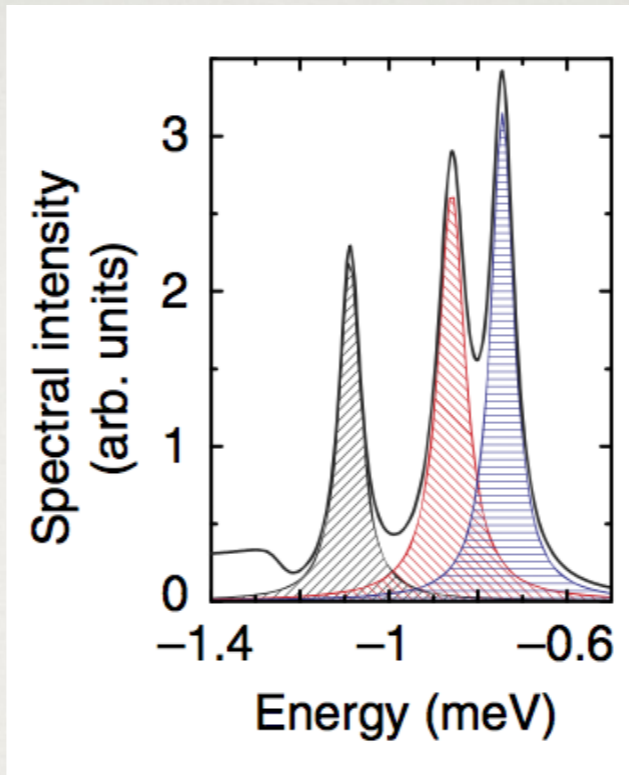
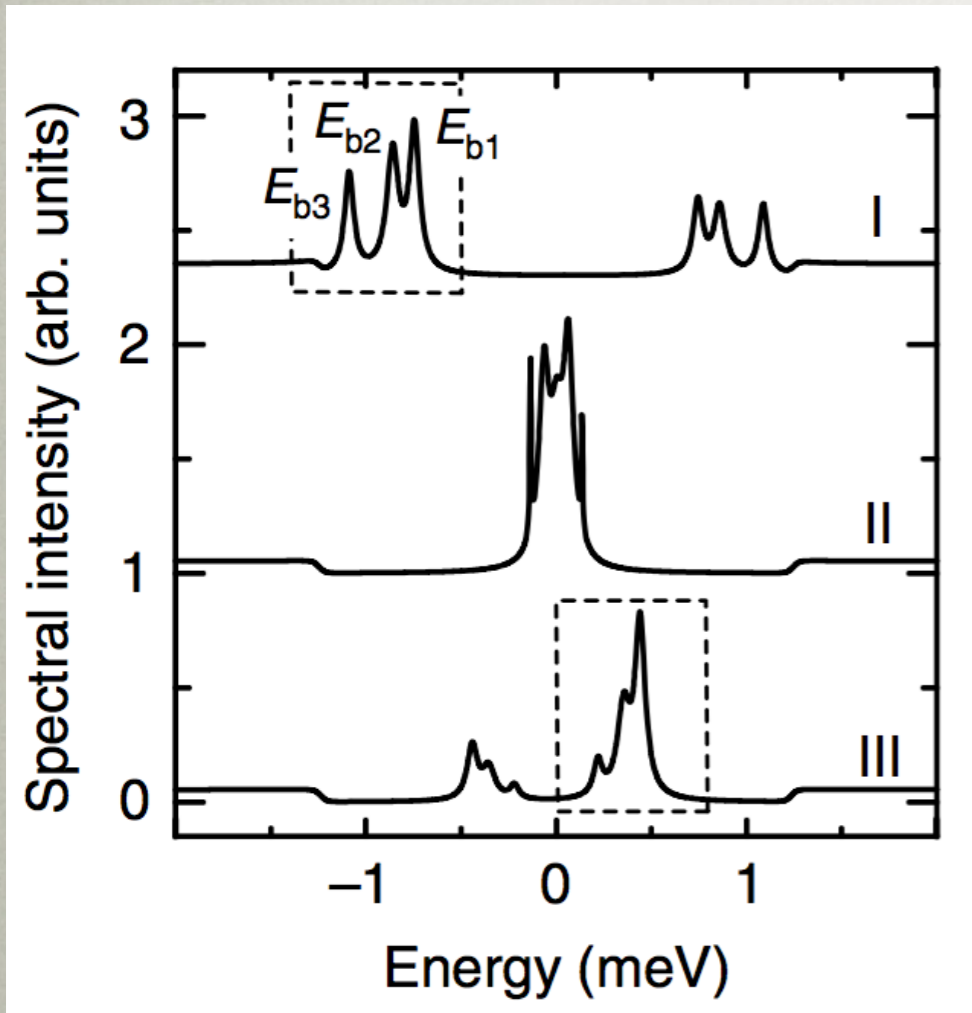
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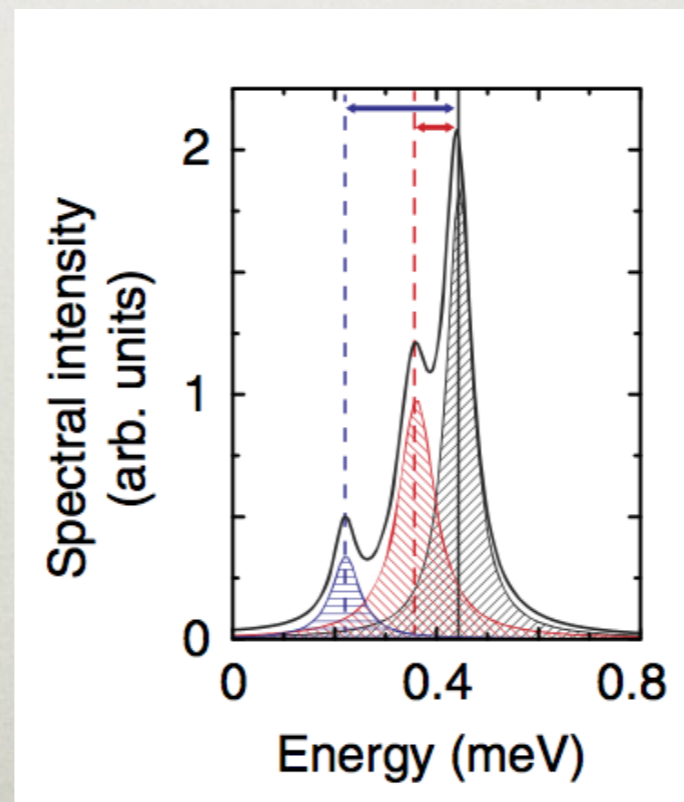
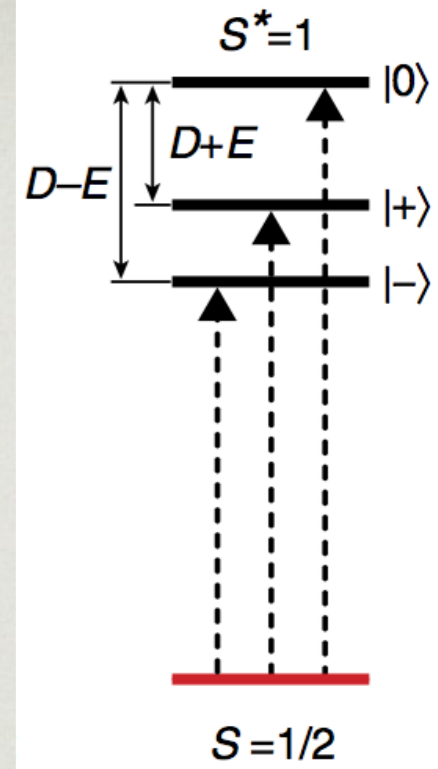






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screened**

equal weights



**free spin**

Boltzmann  
distributed  
weights

