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Lecture 3: Outline

- Quantum Dots: brief review.
 - Kondo effect: Review.
 - Kondo effect in quantum dots.
 - Kondo effect in Single Molecule Transistors.
 - Kondo effect in Surfaces (STM, “quantum mirage”).
 - Kondo effect in carbon nanotubes.
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“More is Different”

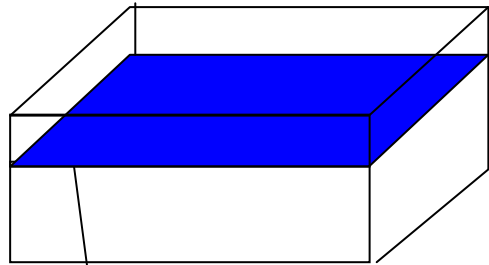


“ The behavior of large and complex aggregates of elementary particles, it turns out, is not to be understood in terms of simple extrapolation of the properties of a few particles.

Instead, at each level of complexity entirely new properties appear and the understanding of the new behaviors requires research which I think is as fundamental in its nature as any other.“

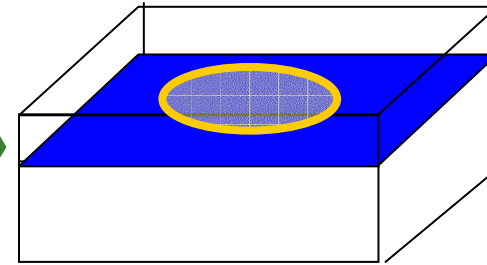
Phillip W. Anderson, “More is Different”,
Science **177** 393 (1972)

Can you make “atoms” out of atoms?

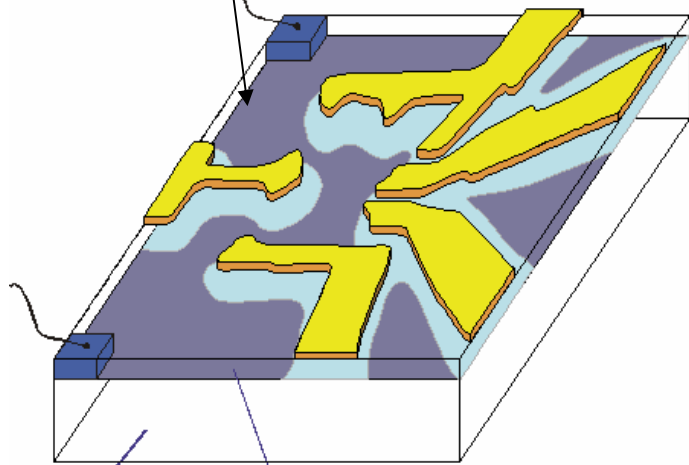


2D Electron gas

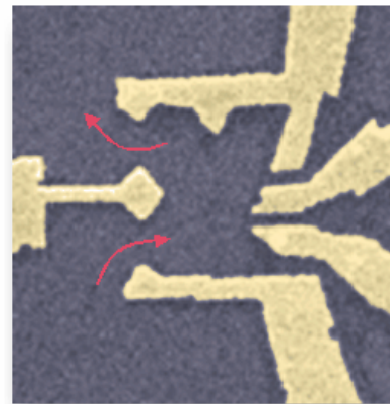
Electrostatically confine electrons within a small (nanometer-size) region.



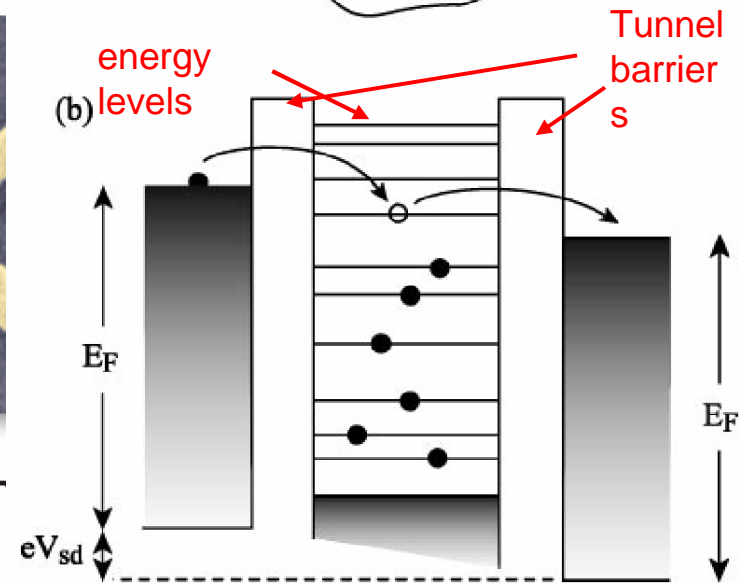
“Quantum dot”



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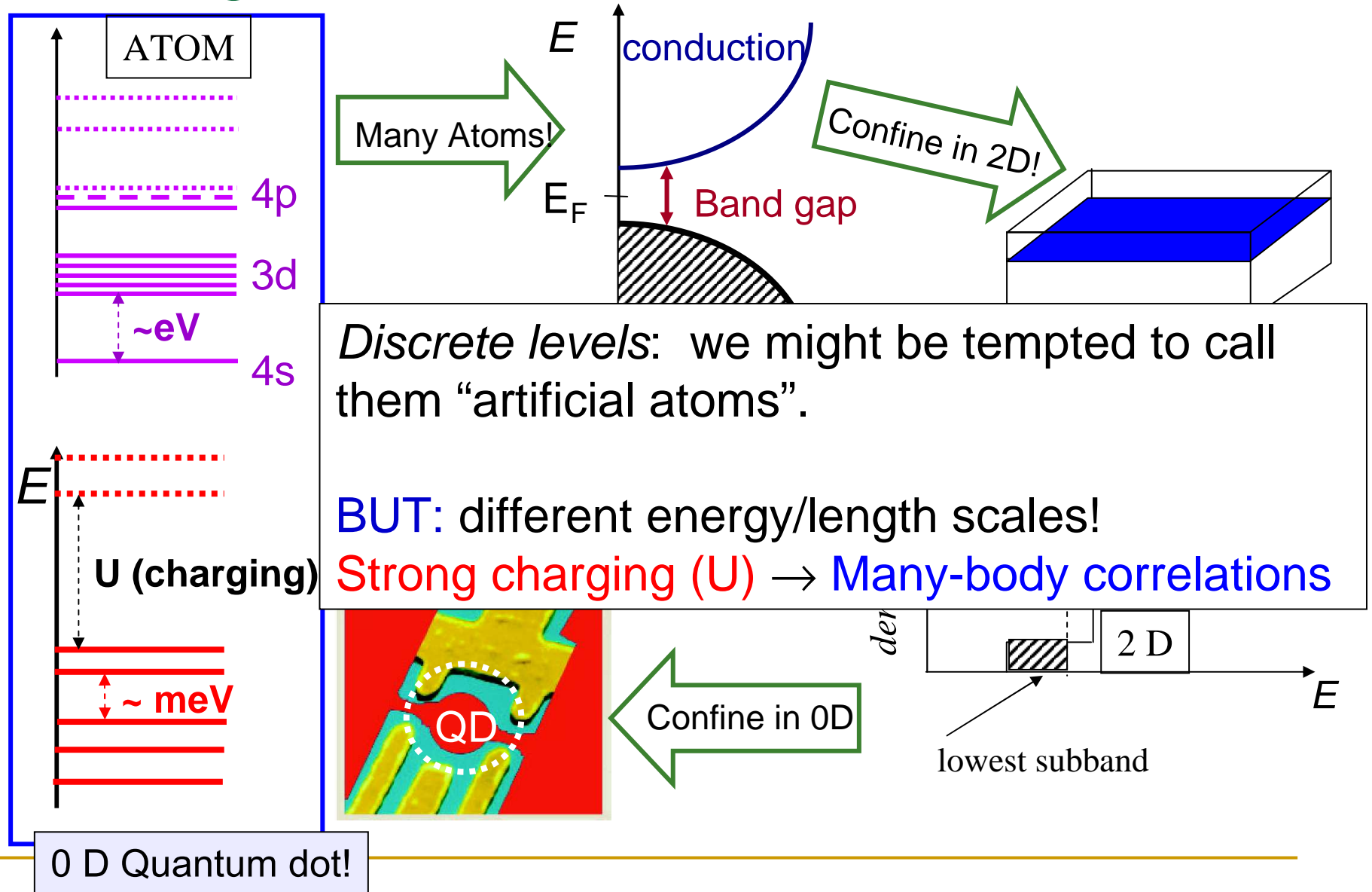


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from Charlie Marcus' Lab website (marcuslab.harvard.edu)

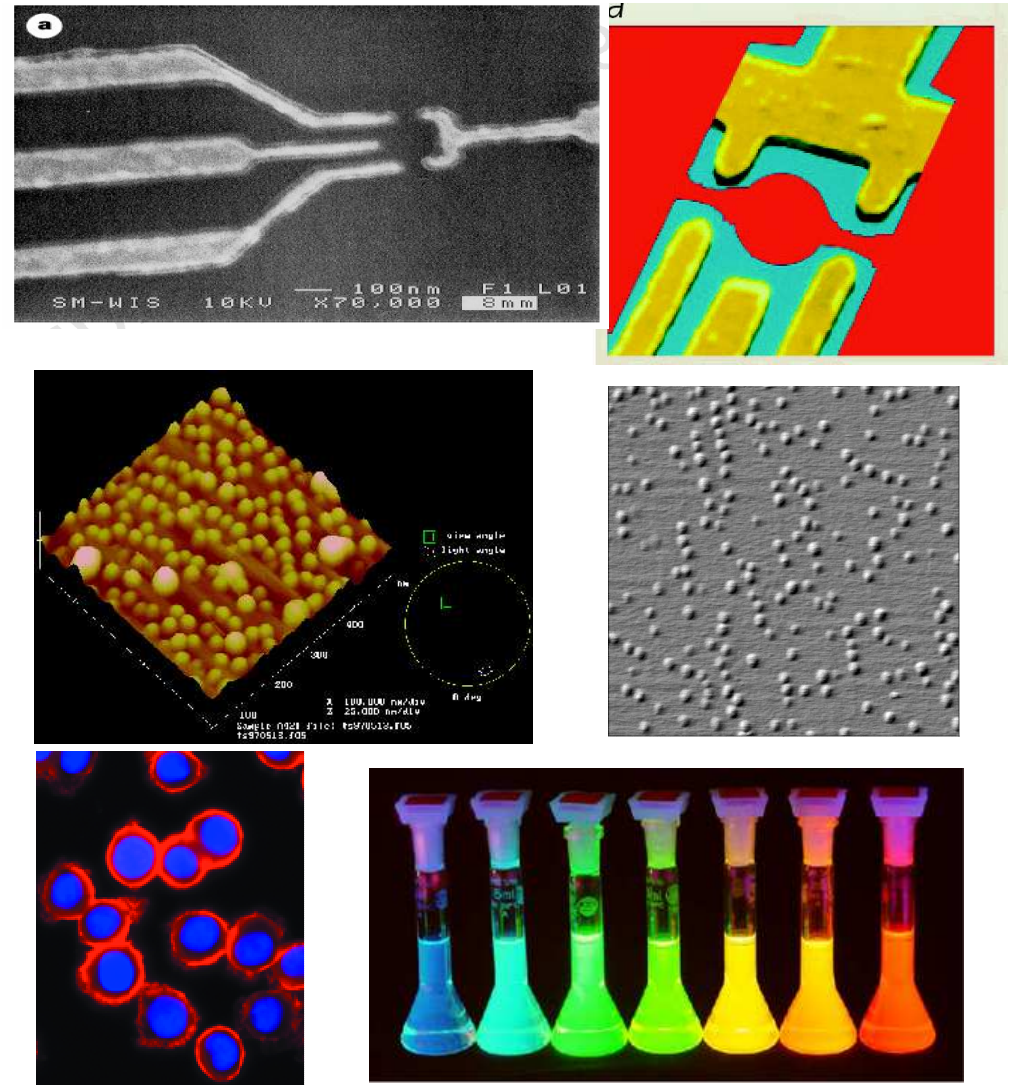
Making “artificial atoms”(?) out of atoms



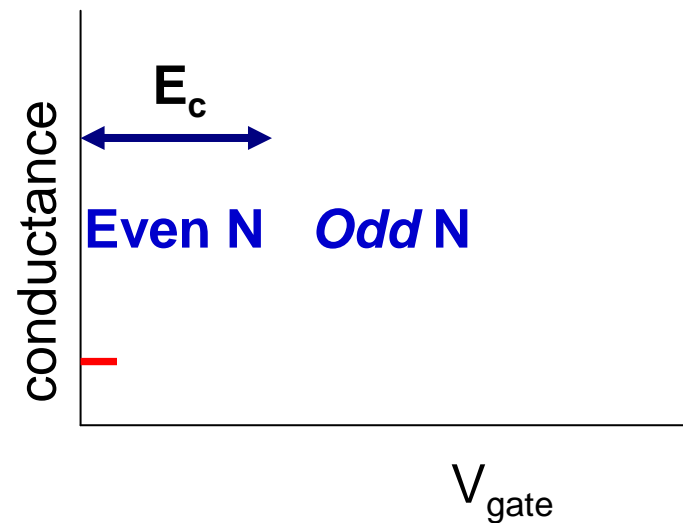
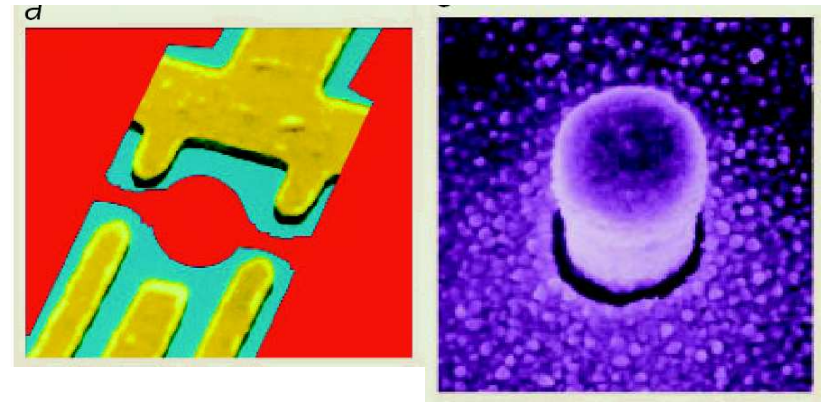
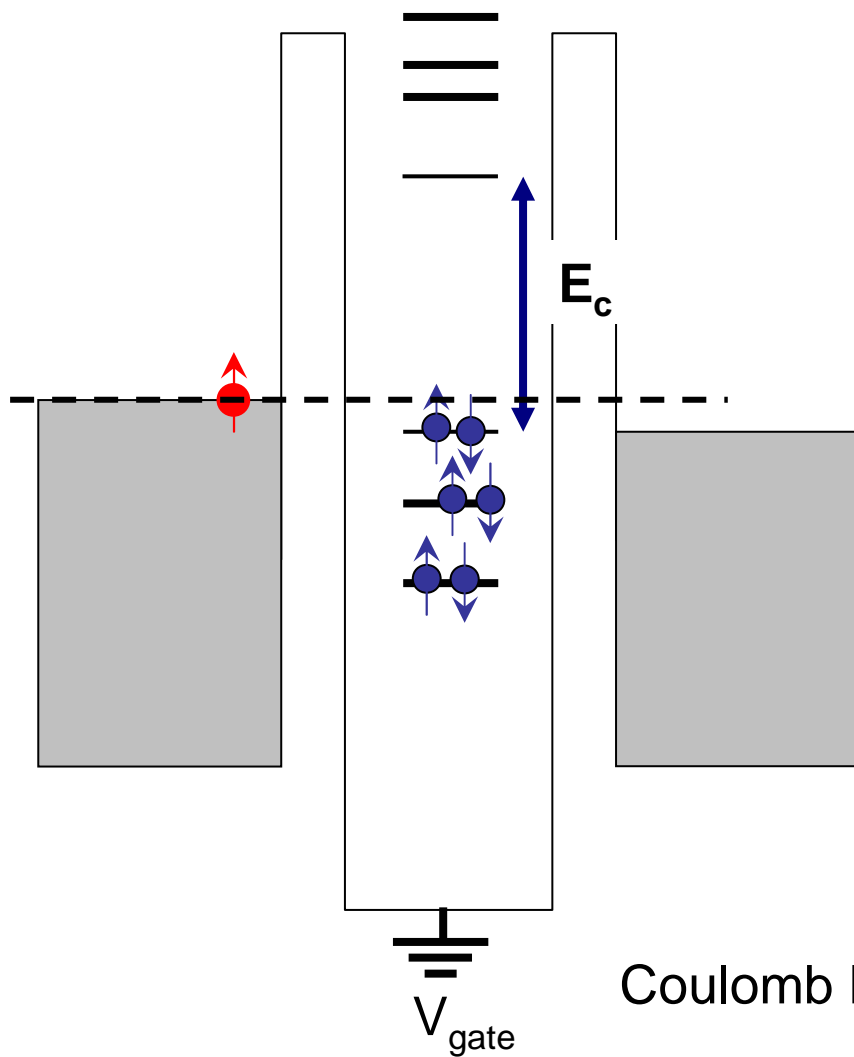
What are *Quantum Dots*?

Semiconductor Quantum Dots:

- Devices in which electrons are **confined** in nanometer size volumes.
- Sometimes referred to as “artificial atoms”.
- “Quantum dot” is a generic label: **lithographic QDs**, self-assembled QDs, colloidal QDs have different properties.

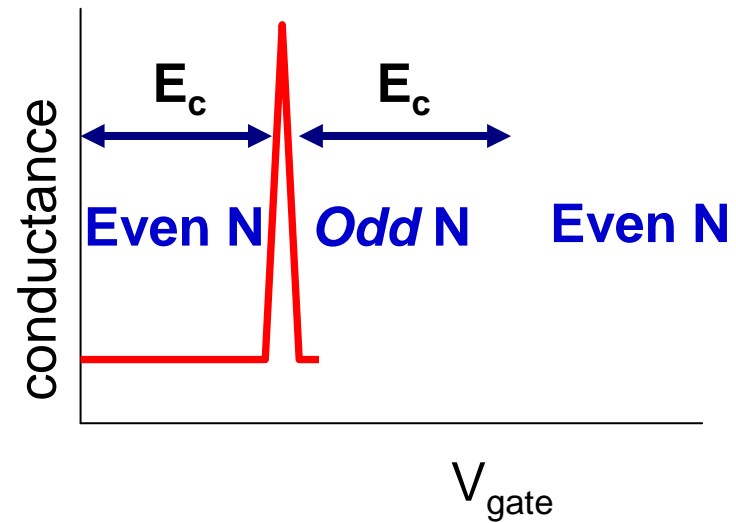
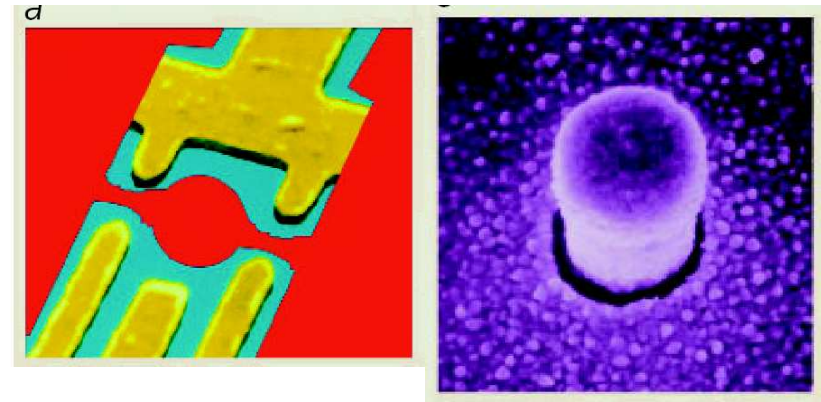
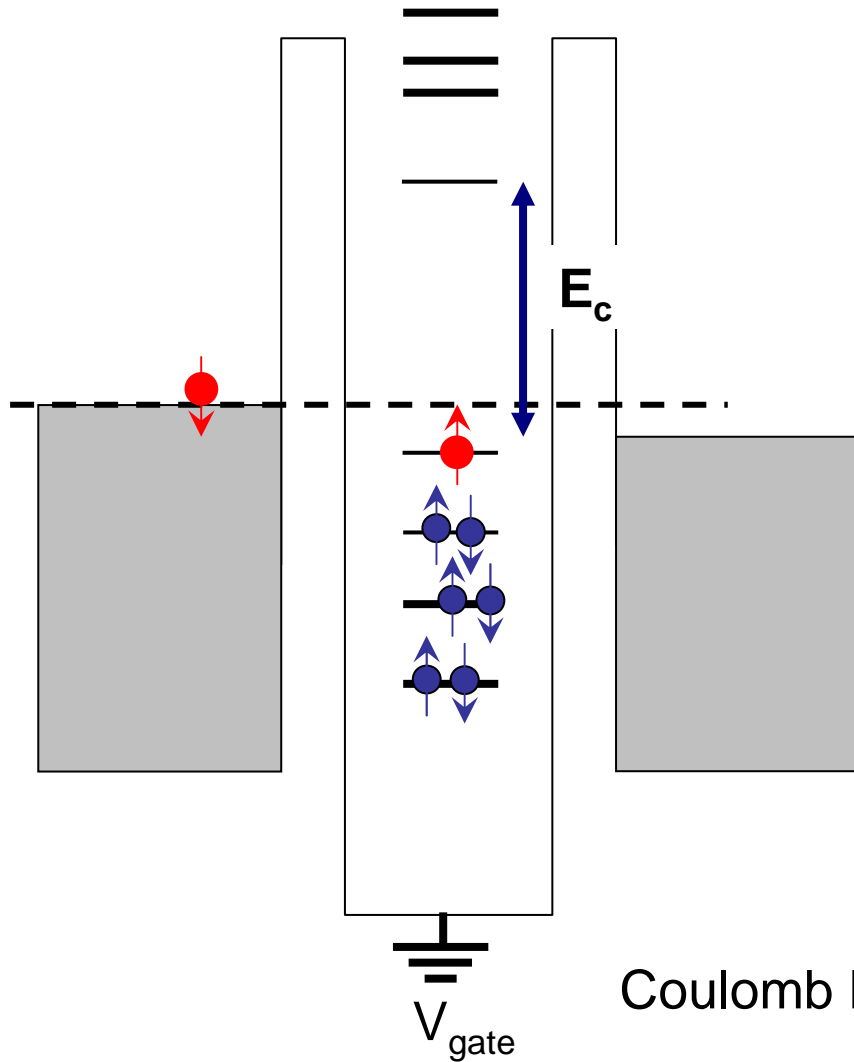


Coulomb Blockade in Quantum Dots



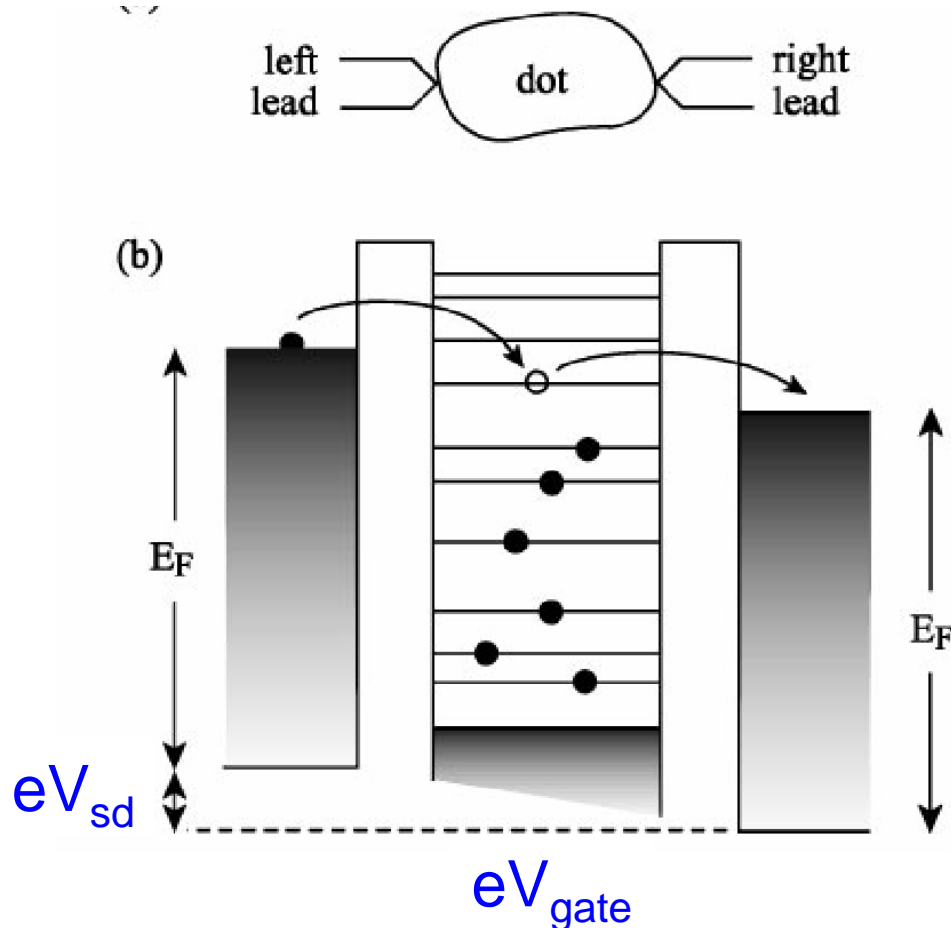
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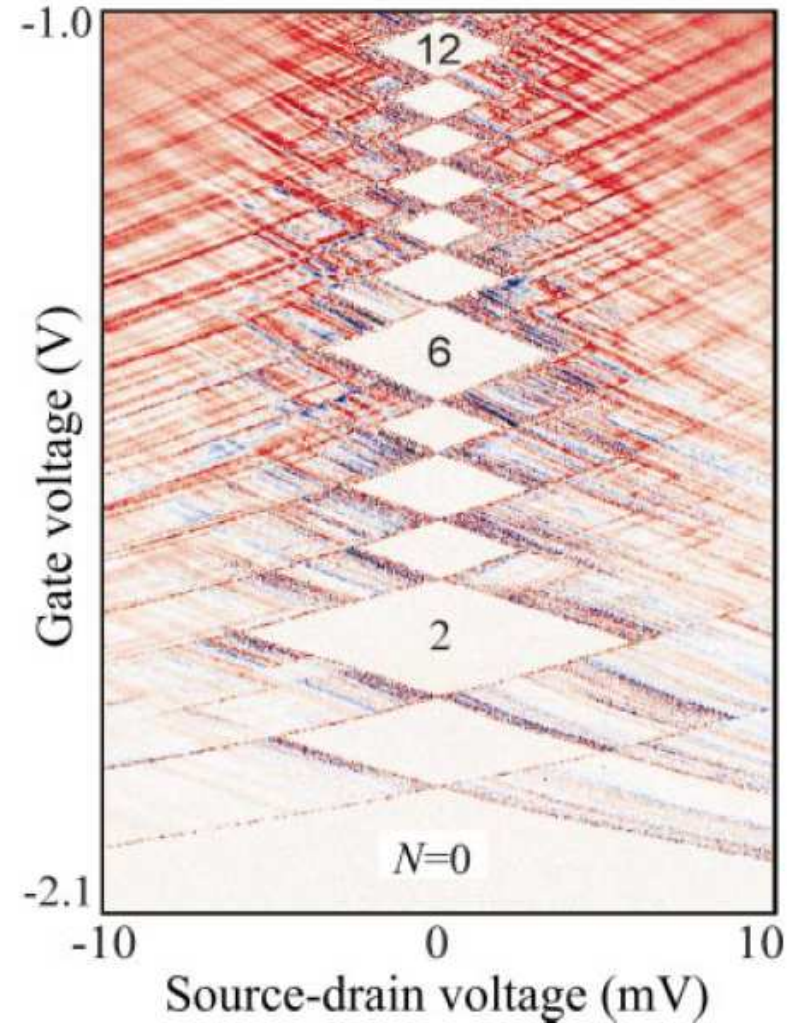


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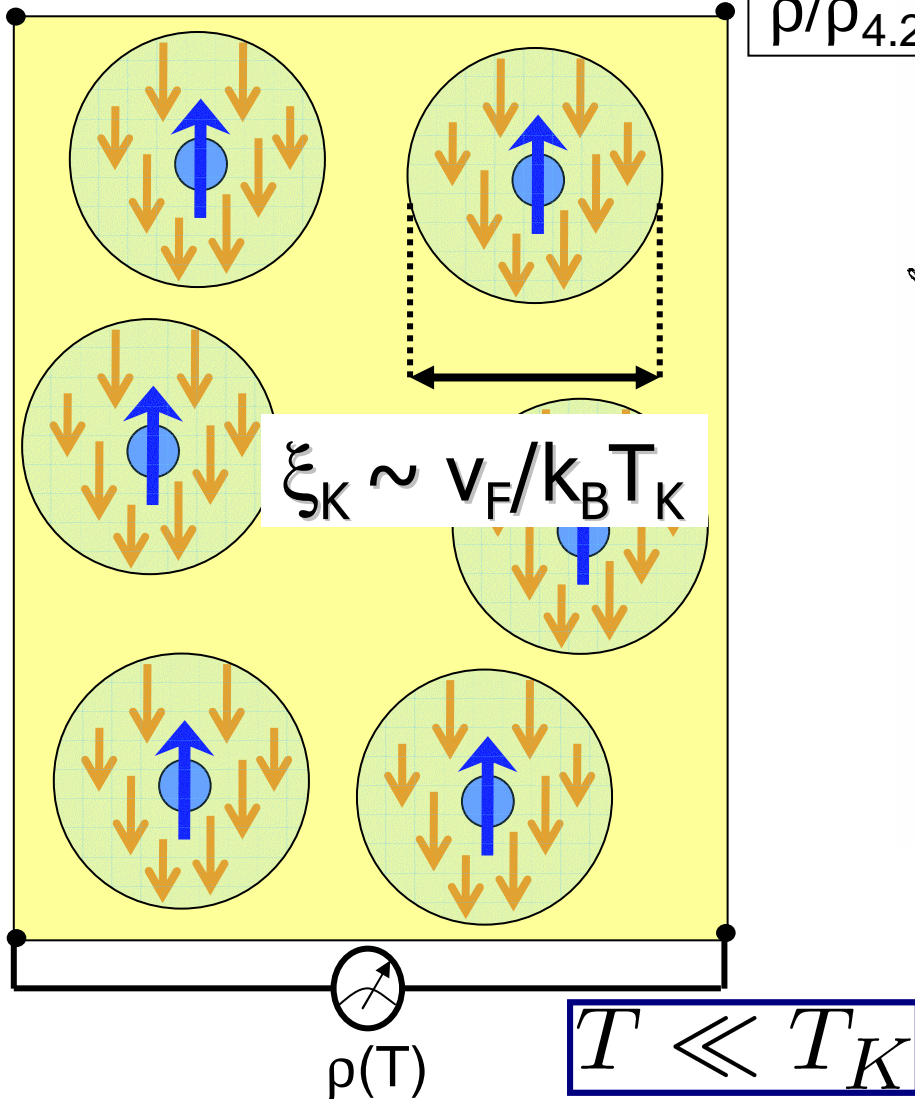
“Coulomb Diamonds” (Stability Diagram)



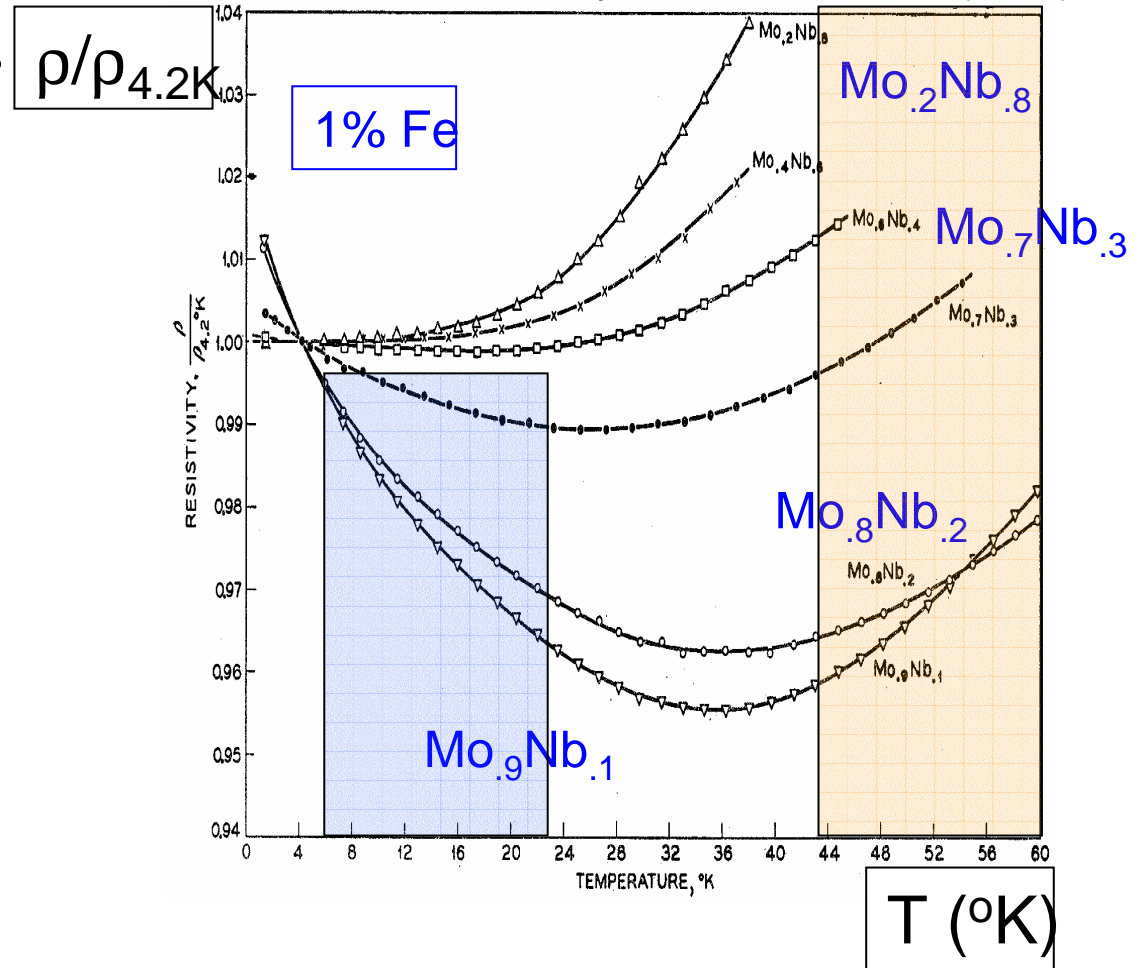
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Kondo effect



M.P. Sarachik *et al* Phys. Rev. **135** A1041 (1964).

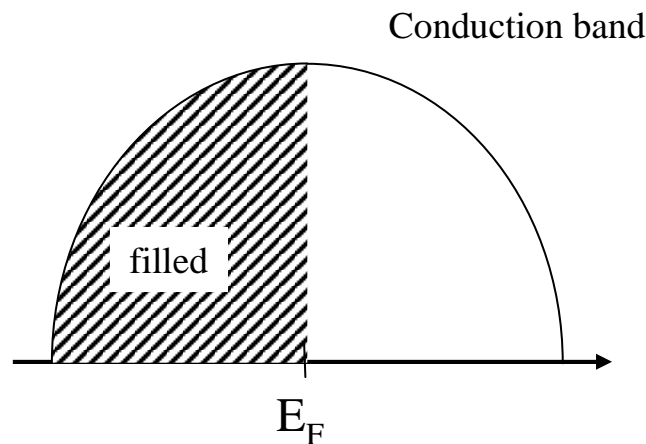


Resistivity increases with decreasing T (Kondo effect): the Kondo effect

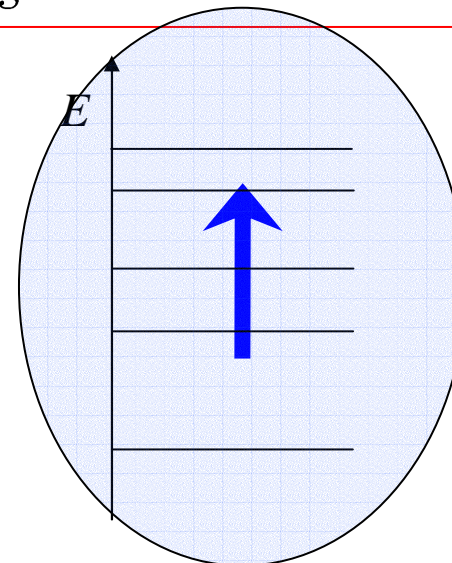
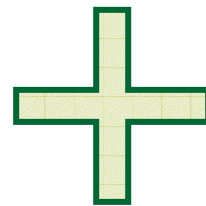
Kondo problem: s-d Hamiltonian

- Kondo problem: s-wave coupling with spin impurity (s-d model):

$$H_K = \sum_{\mathbf{k}s} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}s} \hat{n}_{\mathbf{k}s} + J \sum_{\mathbf{k}s; \mathbf{k}'s'} c_{\mathbf{k}s}^\dagger (\mathbf{S} \cdot \vec{\sigma})_{ss'} c_{\mathbf{k}'s'}$$



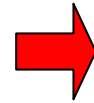
Metal (non magnetic, s-band)



Magnetic impurity (unfilled d-level)

Kondo's explanation for T_{\min} (1964)

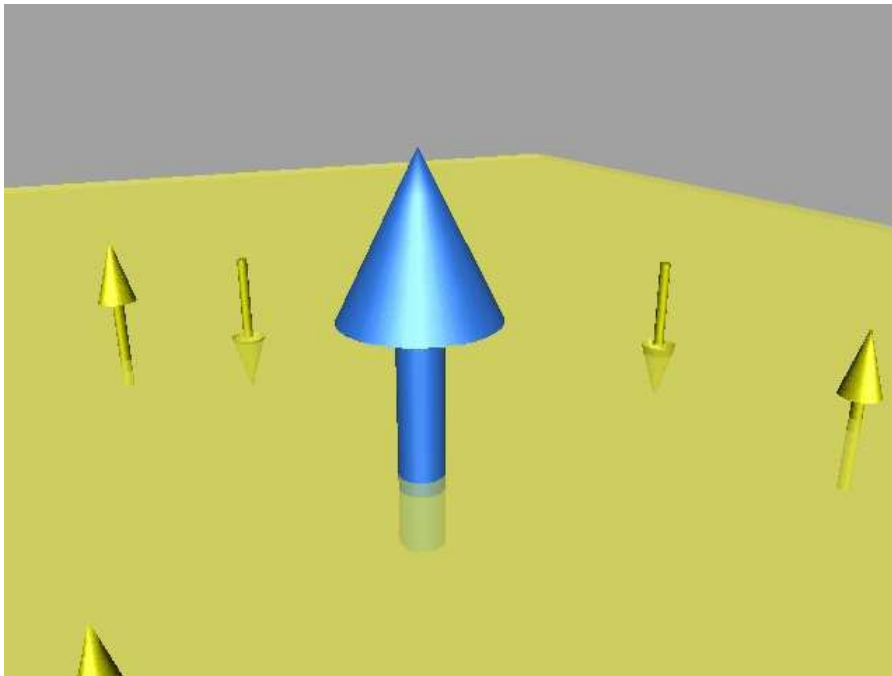
- Perturbation theory in J^3 :
 - Kondo calculated the conductivity in the linear response regime



$$R_{\text{imp}}^{\text{spin}} \propto J^2 \left[1 - 4J\rho_0 \log\left(\frac{k_B T}{D}\right) \right]$$

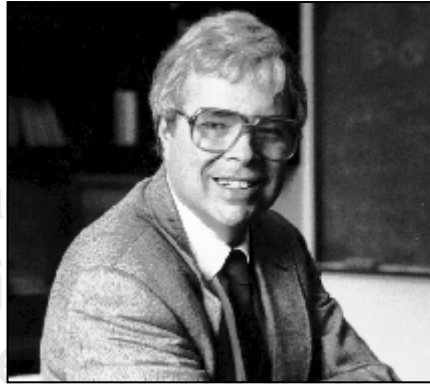
$$R_{\text{tot}}(T) = aT^5 - c_{\text{imp}} R_{\text{imp}} \log\left(\frac{k_B T}{D}\right)$$

$$T_{\min} = \left(\frac{R_{\text{imp}} D}{5ak_B} \right)^{1/5} c_{\text{imp}}^{1/5}$$



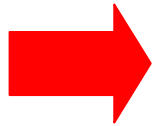
- Only one free parameter: the Kondo temperature T_K
 - Temperature at which the perturbative expansion **diverges.** $k_B T_K \sim D e^{-1/2J\rho_0}$

A little bit of Kondo history:



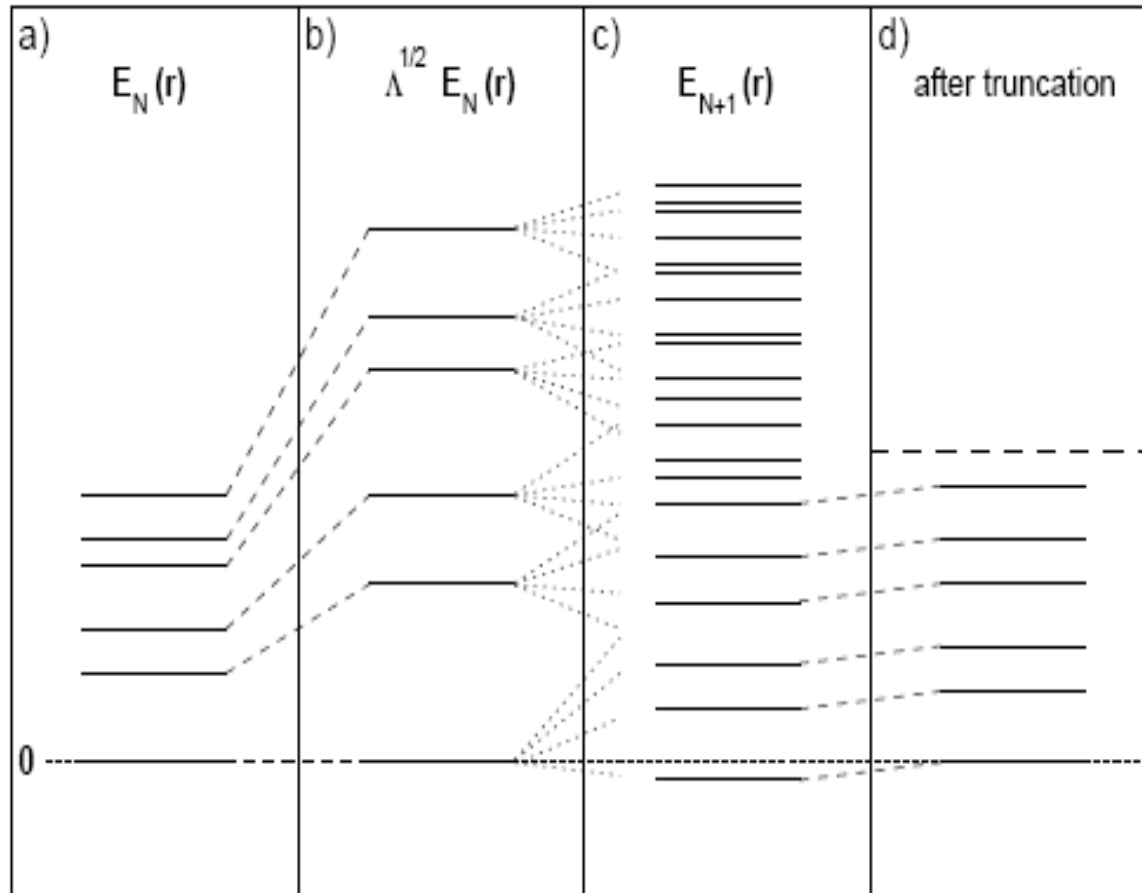
Kenneth G. Wilson – Physics Nobel Prize in 1982
"for his theory for critical phenomena in connection
with phase transitions"

- Early '30s : Resistance in some metals
- Early '50s : theoretical impurities in metals
"Virtual Bound States"
- 1961: Anderson in metals
- 1964: s-d model and Kondo solution (PT)
- 1970: Anderson "Poor's man scaling"
- ➔ 1974-75: Wilson's Numerical Renormalization Group (non PT)
- 1980 : Andrei and Wiegmann's exact solution

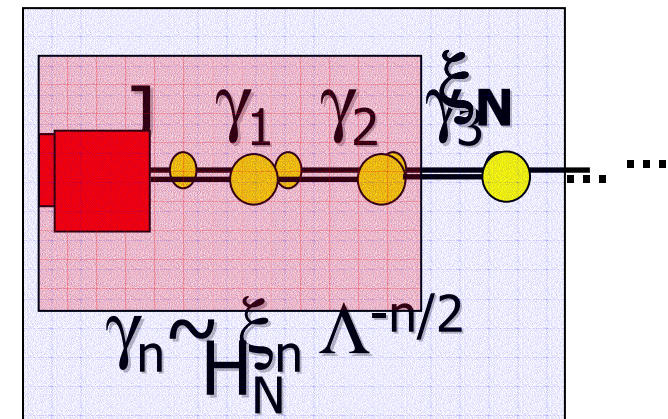


Renormalization Procedure

$$H_{N+1} = \sqrt{\Lambda} H_N + \xi_N \sum_{\sigma} f_{N+1\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{N\sigma} + f_{N\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{N+1\sigma}$$

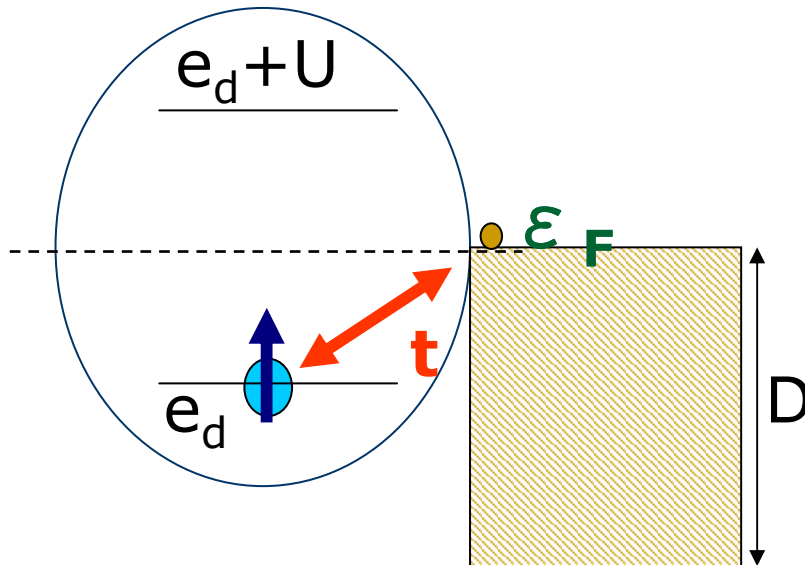


- Iterative numerical solution.
- Renormalize by $\Lambda^{1/2}$.
- Keep low energy states.



H_{N+1}

Anderson Model



$$H = \epsilon_d \hat{n}_{d\sigma} + U \hat{n}_{d\uparrow} \hat{n}_{d\downarrow} + \sum_k \epsilon_k \hat{n}_{k\sigma} + t \sum_k c_{d\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \text{h.c.}$$

with

$$\hat{n}_{d\sigma} = c_{d\sigma}^\dagger c_{d\sigma}$$

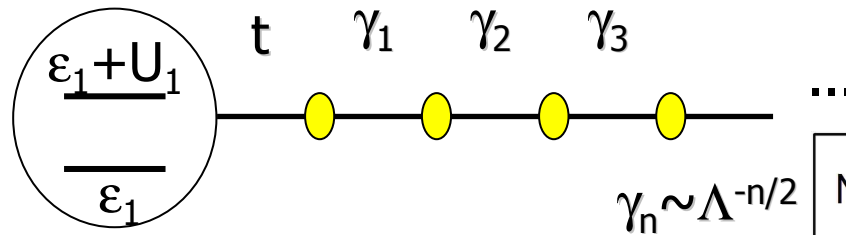
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“Quantum dot language”

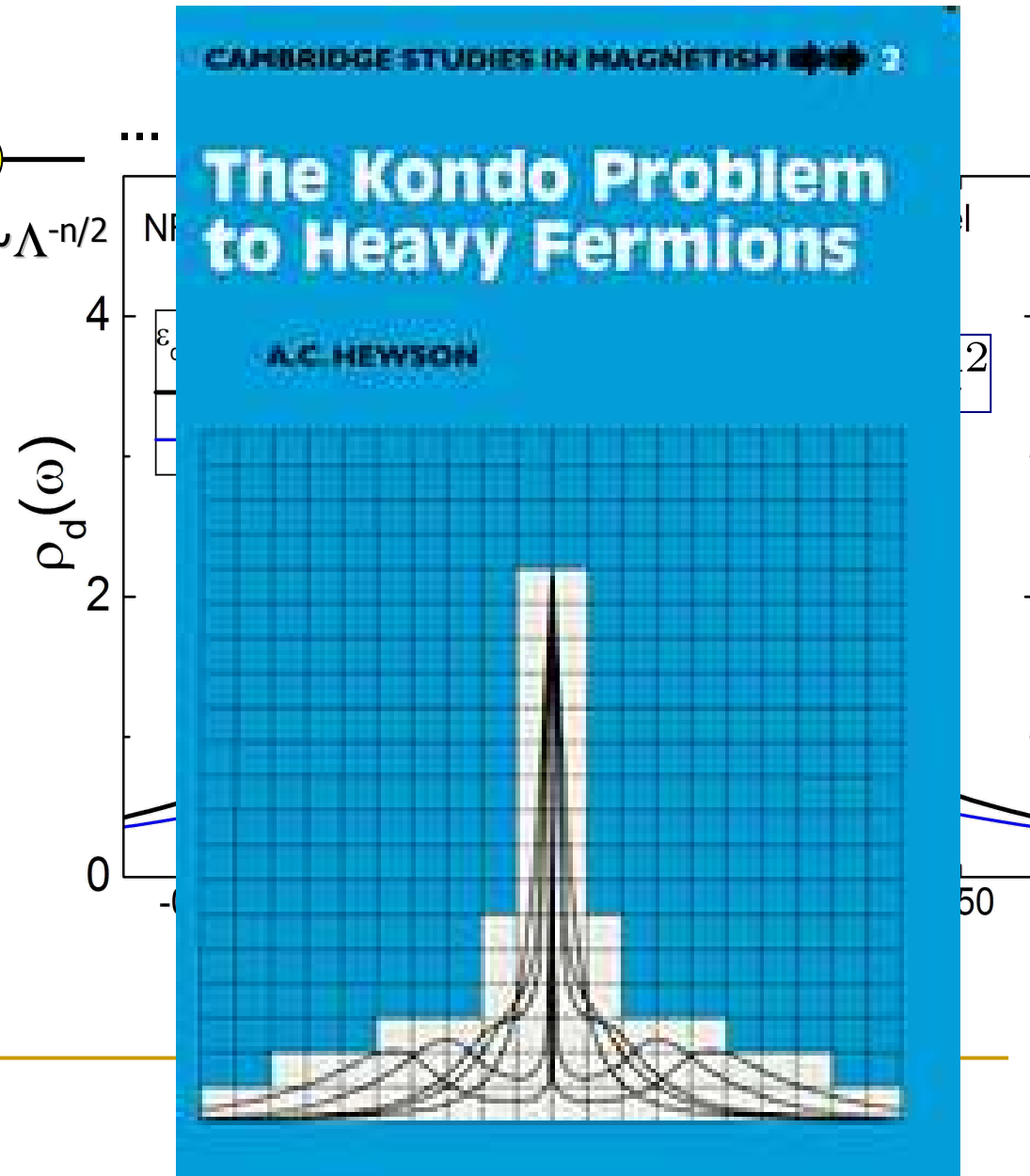
- e_d : energy level
- U : Coulomb repulsion
- e_F : Fermi energy in the metal
- t : Hybridization
- D : bandwidth

- e_d : position of the level (V_g)
- U : Charging energy
- e_F : Fermi energy in the leads
- t : dot-lead tunneling
- D : bandwidth

NRG on Anderson model: LDOS



- Single particle peaks at ε_d and $\varepsilon_d + U$.
- *Many body* peak at the Fermi energy: **Kondo resonance** (width $\sim T_K$).
- NRG: good resolution at low ω (log discretization).



History of Kondo Phenomena

- Observed in the '30s
- Explained in the '60s
- Numerically Calculated in the '70s (NRG)
- Exactly solved in the '80s (Bethe-Ansatz)

So, what's new about it?

Kondo correlations observed in many different set ups:

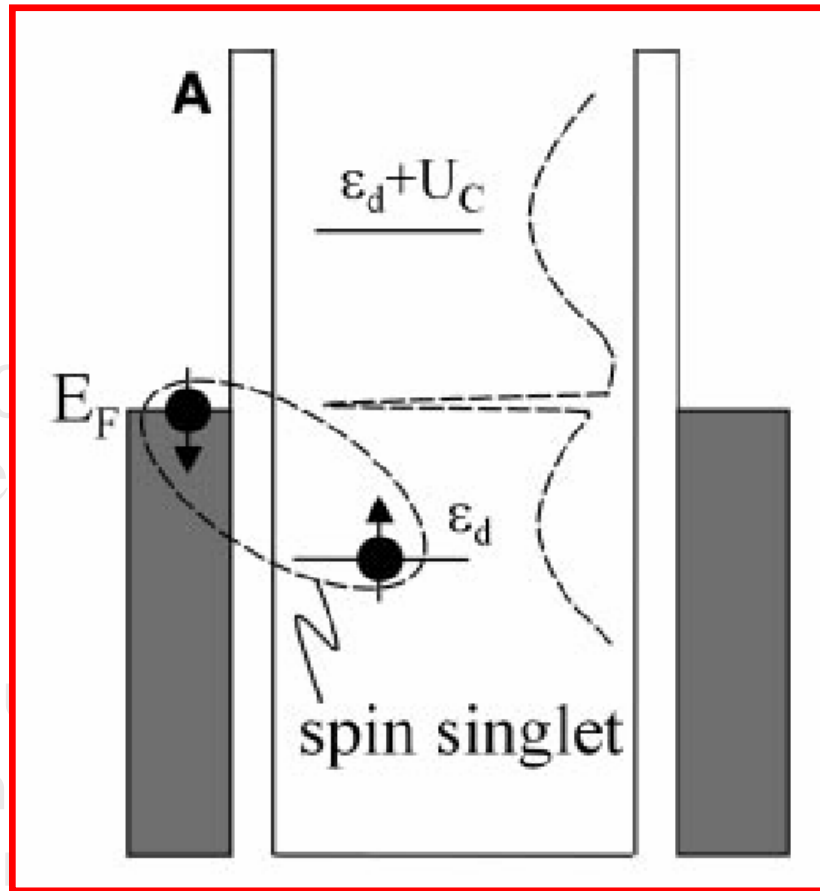
- Transport in quantum dots, quantum wires, etc
 - STM measurements of magnetic structures on metallic surfaces (e.g., single atoms, molecules. "Quantum mirage")
 - ...
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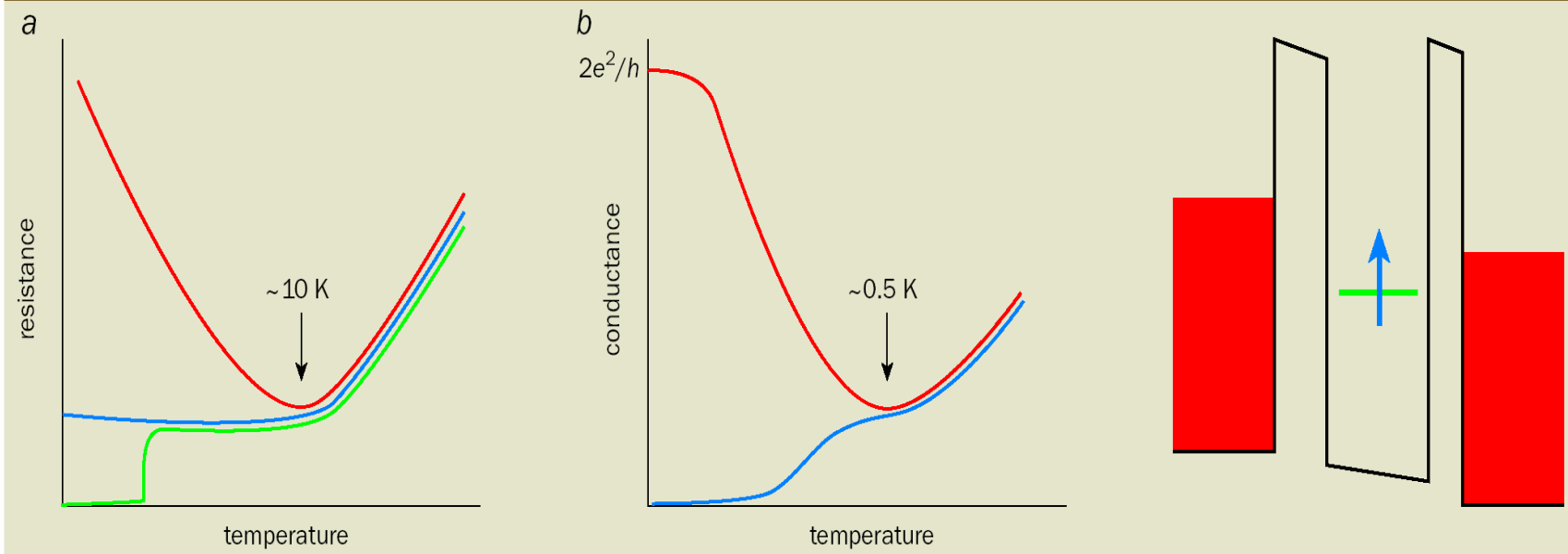
Kondo Effect in Quantum Dots

Revival of the Kondo effect



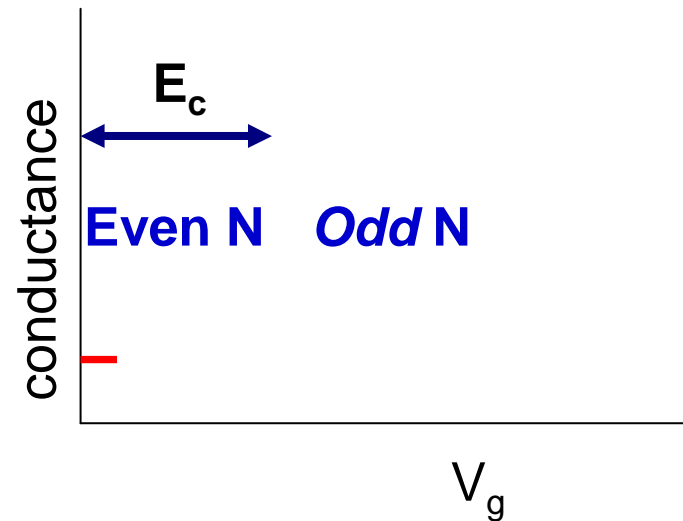
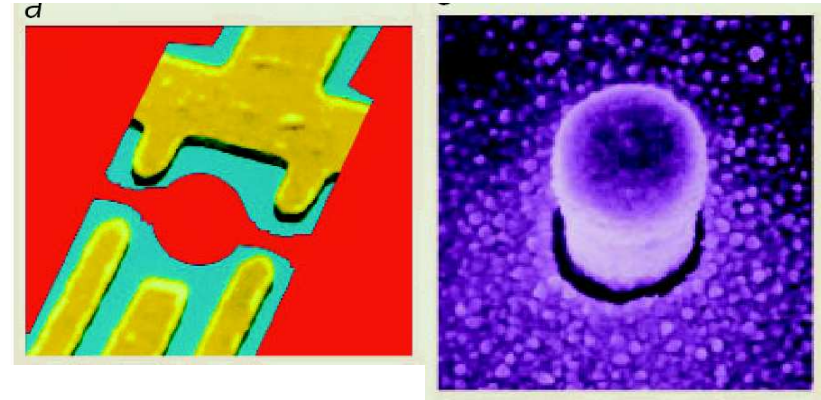
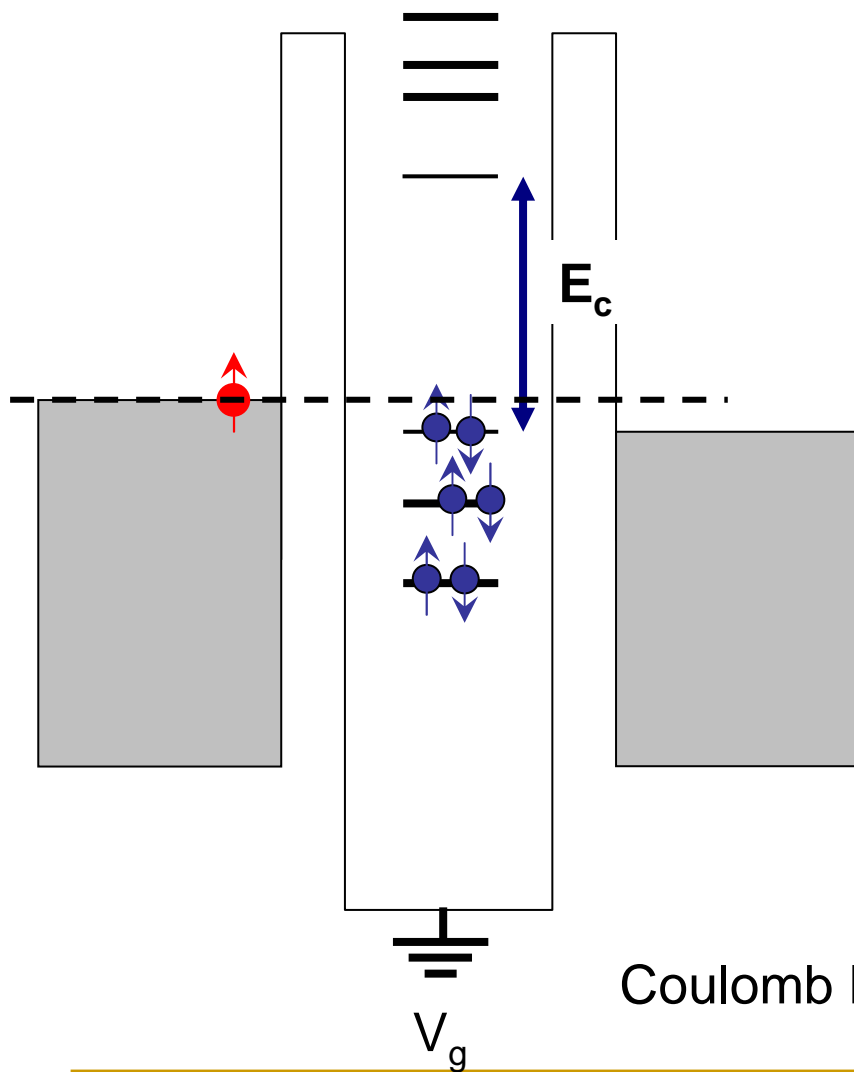
Leo Kouwenhoven and Leonid Glazman

1 The Kondo effect in metals and in quantum dots



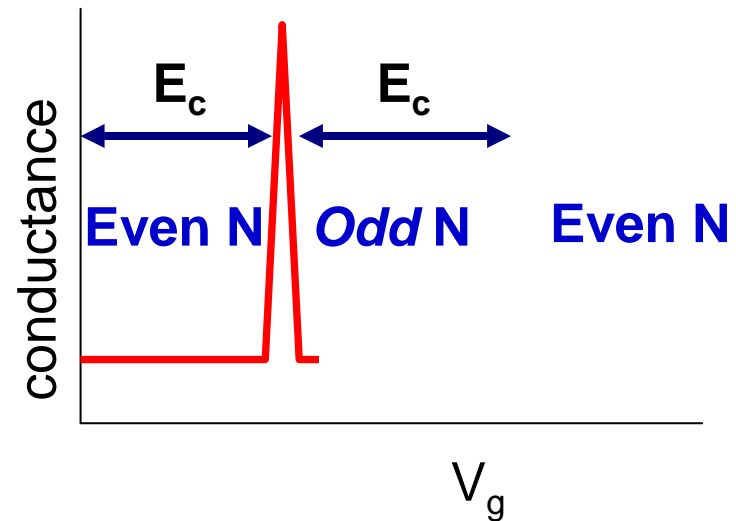
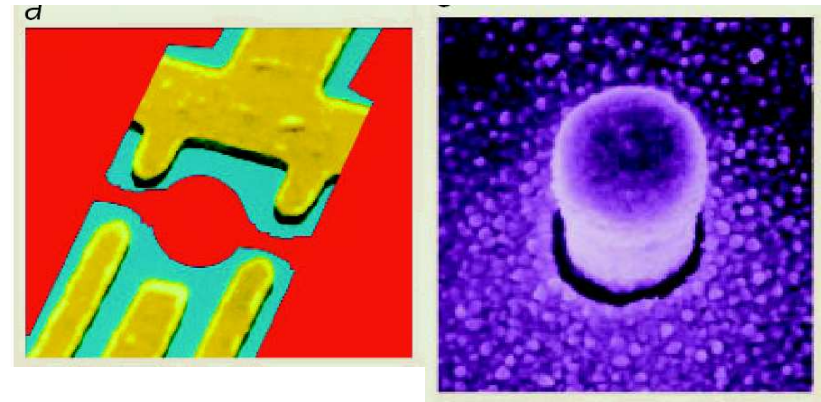
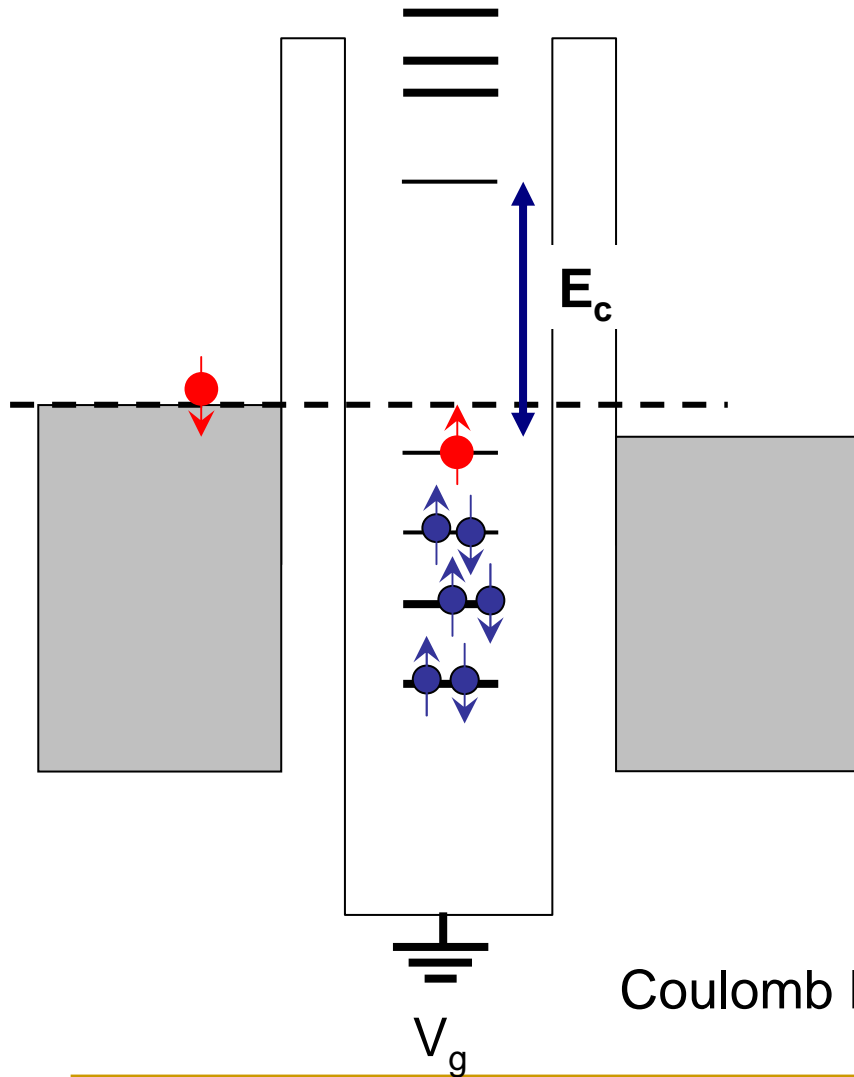
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Coulomb Blockade in Quantum Dots



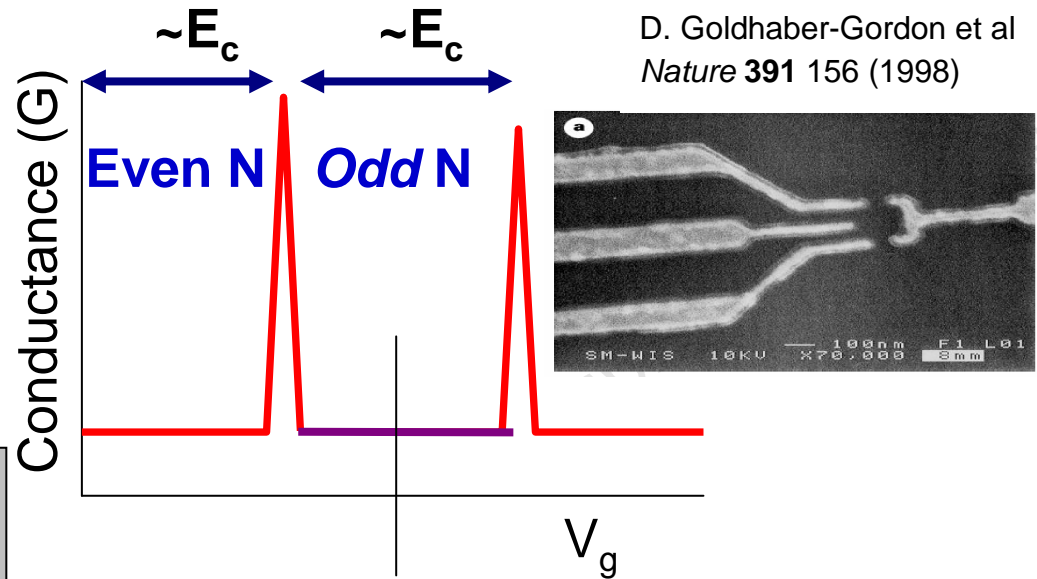
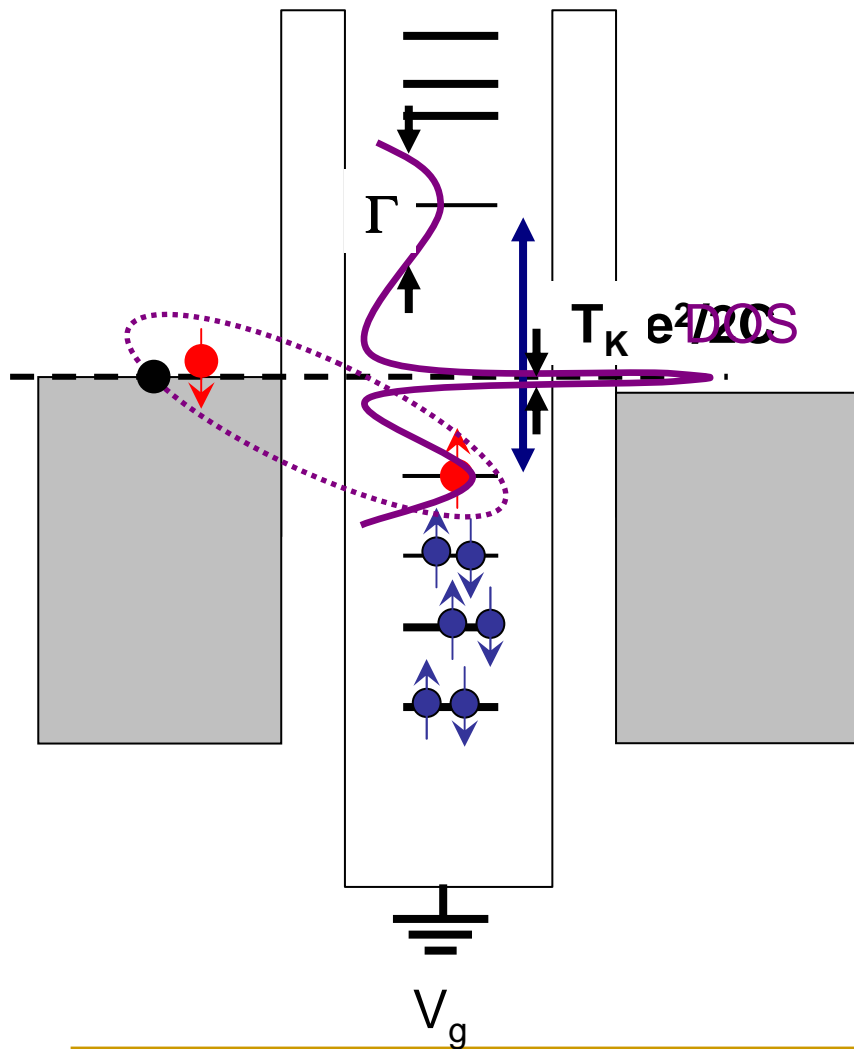
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Kondo Effect in Quantum Dots

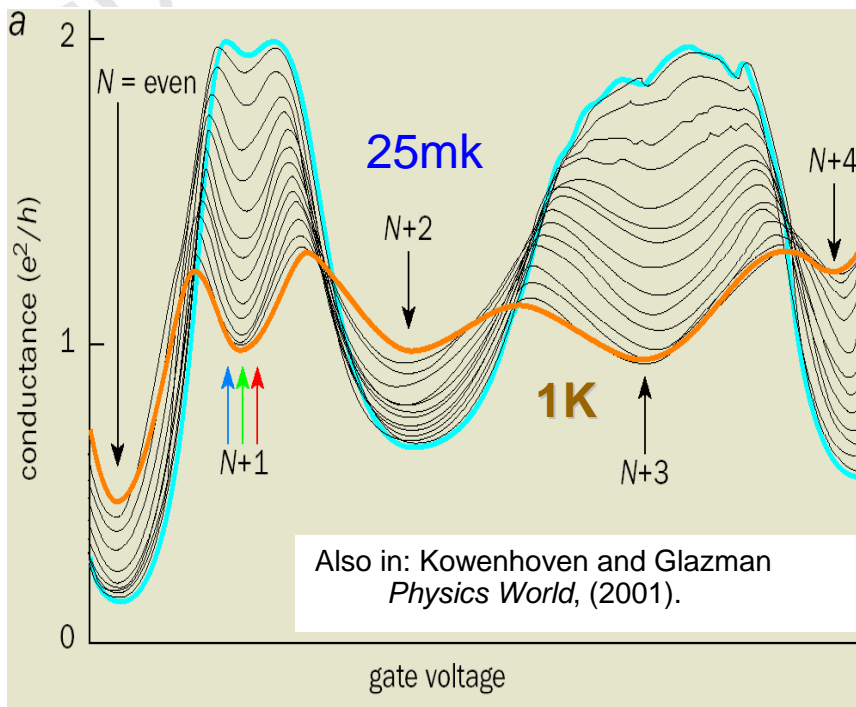
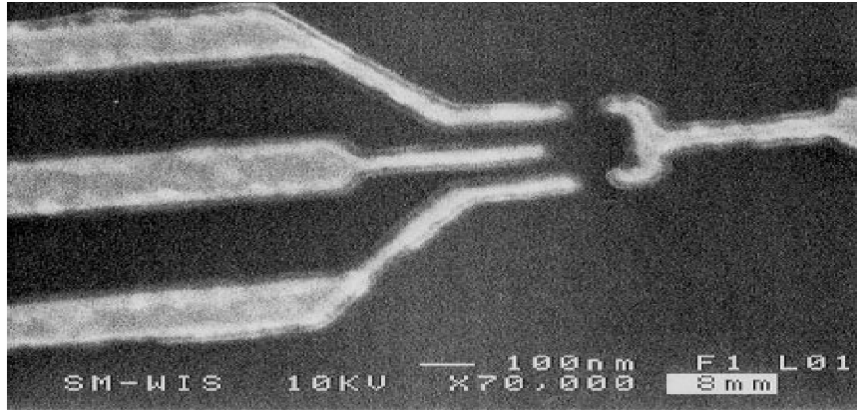


D. Goldhaber-Gordon et al
Nature **391** 156 (1998)

- $T > T_K$: Coulomb blockade (**low G**)
- $T < T_K$: Kondo singlet formation
- **Kondo resonance** at E_F (width T_K).
- New conduction channel at E_F :
Zero-bias enhancement of G

Kondo effect in Quantum Dots

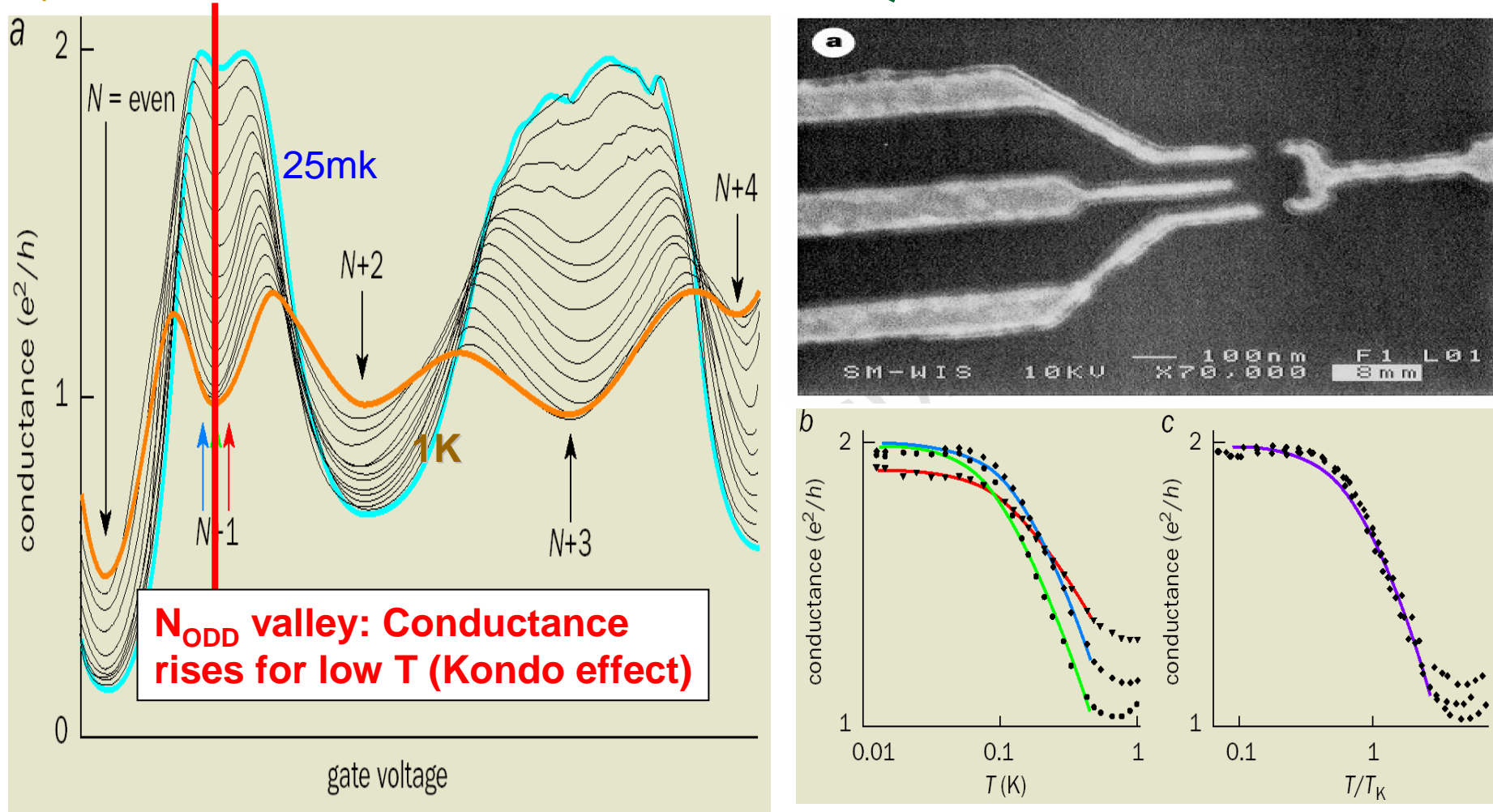
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Semiconductor Quantum Dots:

- Allow for systematic and *controllable* investigations of the Kondo effect.
- QD in N_{odd} Coulomb Blockade valley: realization of the Kondo regime of the Anderson impurity problem.

Kondo Effect in CB-QDs



Kondo Temperature T_K : only scaling parameter ($\sim 0.5\text{K}$, depends on V_g)

Kowenhoven and Glazman *Physics World* – Jan. 2001.

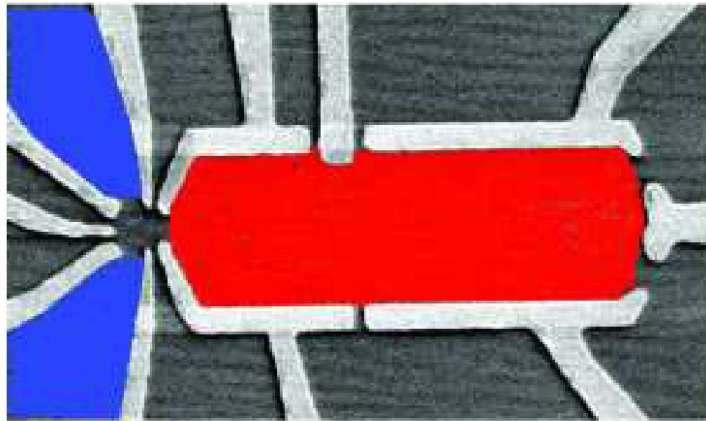
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Examples of “fundamental” physics (in the “More is Different” sense) we can learn from quantum dots:

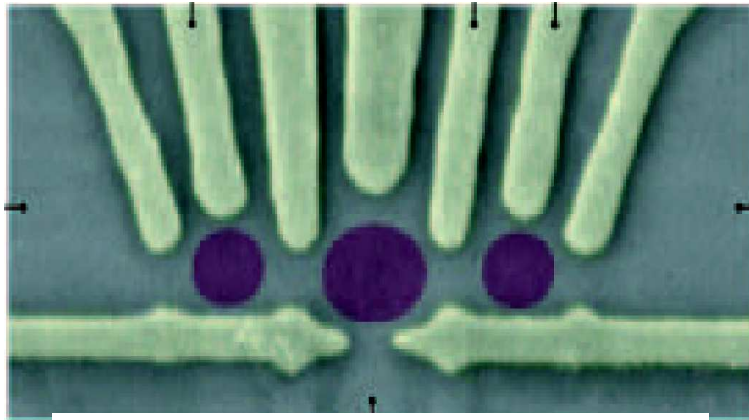
- *Strongly correlated effects*: Charging effects due to electron-electron interactions are dominant in QDs.
 - *Quantum effects* (spin, tunneling, discrete energy levels, interference) probed in a very controllable way.
 - **Quantum Many-body physics**:
 - **Kondo effect**, Quantum phase transitions, ...
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Kondo Effect in *Double* QDs

“Side dot” configuration

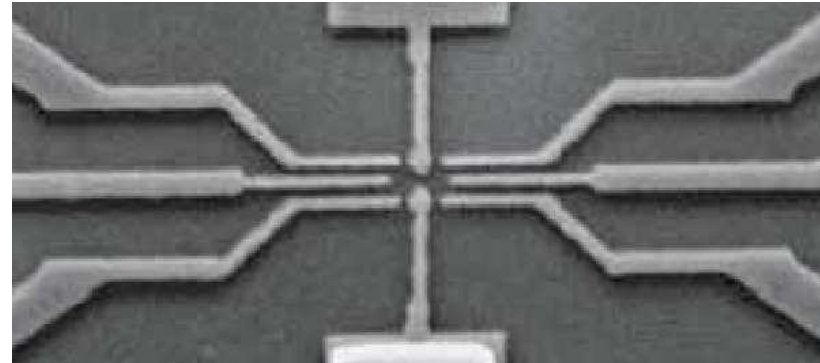


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Craig *et al.*, *Science* 304 565 (2004)

“Parallel” configuration

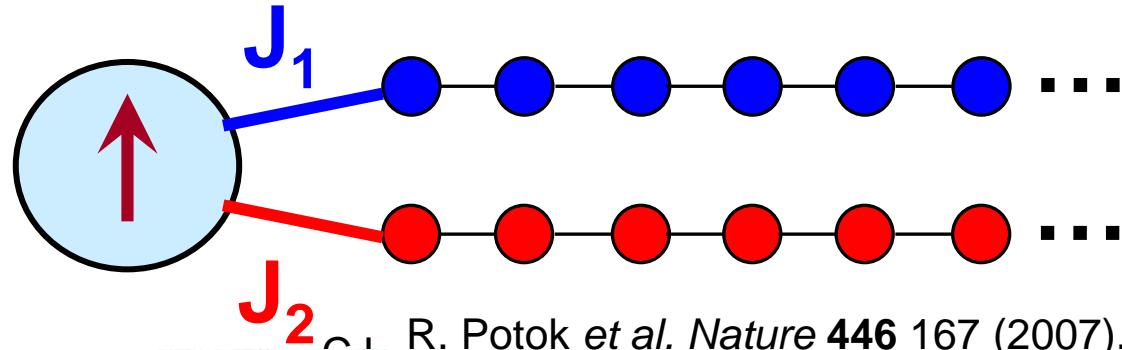


Chen, Chang, Melloch, *PRL* 92 176801 (2004)

- Tunability of **intradot** and **interdot** parameters (couplings, gate voltage).
- Prospects for experimental probe of many-body phenomena, e.g:
 - SU(4) Kondo, RKKY interactions,...
 - Non-Fermi liquid physics (2-ch Kondo)
 - **Quantum phase transitions.**

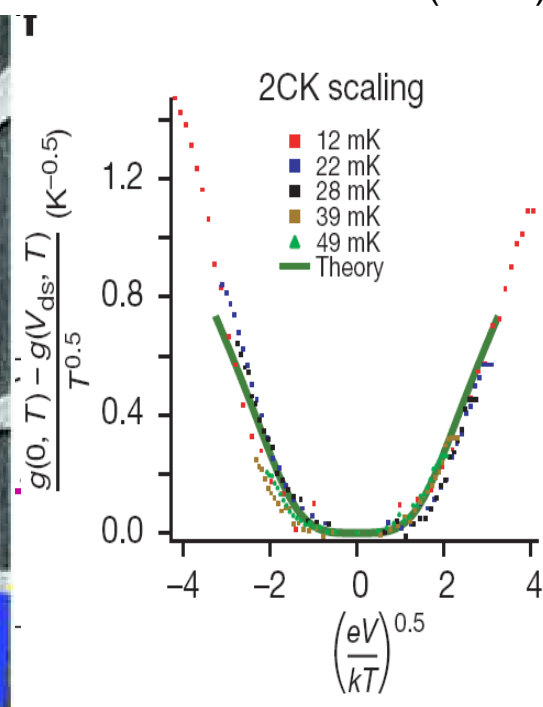
Two-channel Kondo effect.

- Spin 1/2 coupled to two **independent** bands: 2-channel Kondo model ("overscreened").

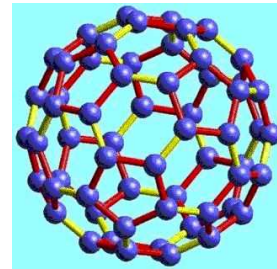
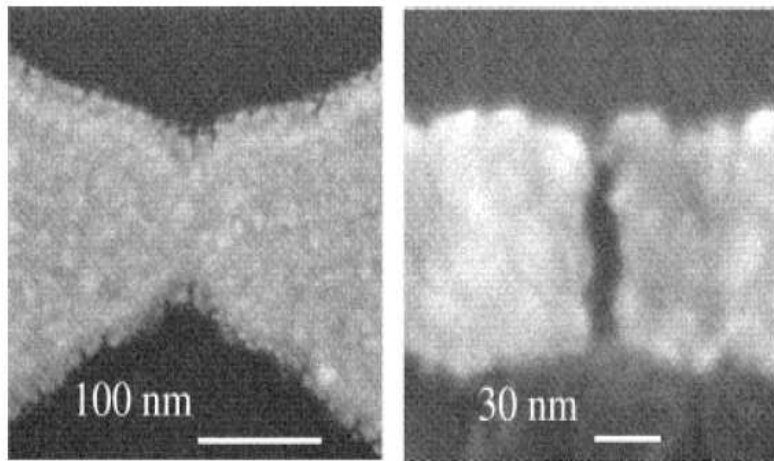


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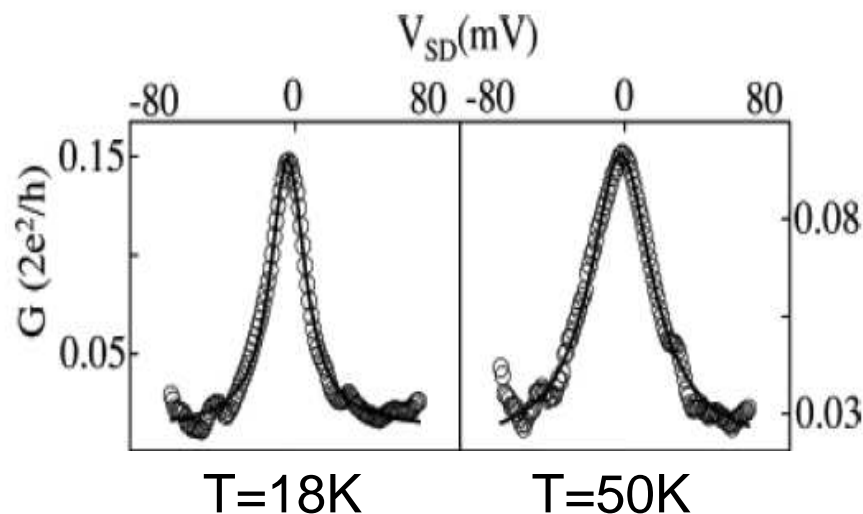
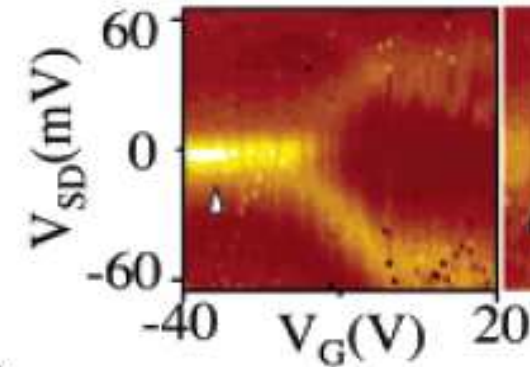
- Non Fermi liquid (NFL) behavior for $J_1 = J_2$.
- Impurity entropy (NFL):
 $S_{\text{imp}} = k_B \log(\sqrt{2})$
 (NRG, Bethe ansatz).
- Recent expts in q dots.



Kondo effect in Single Molecule Transistors



C_{60}

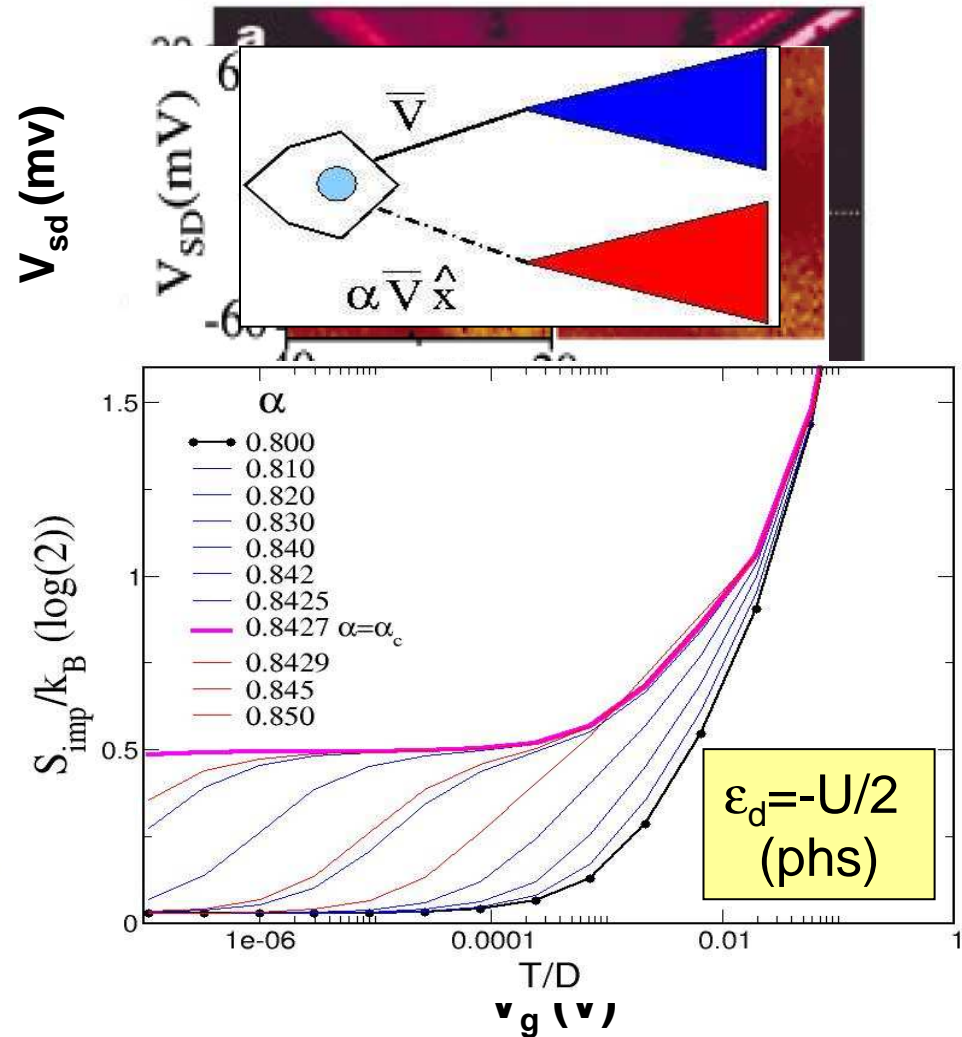
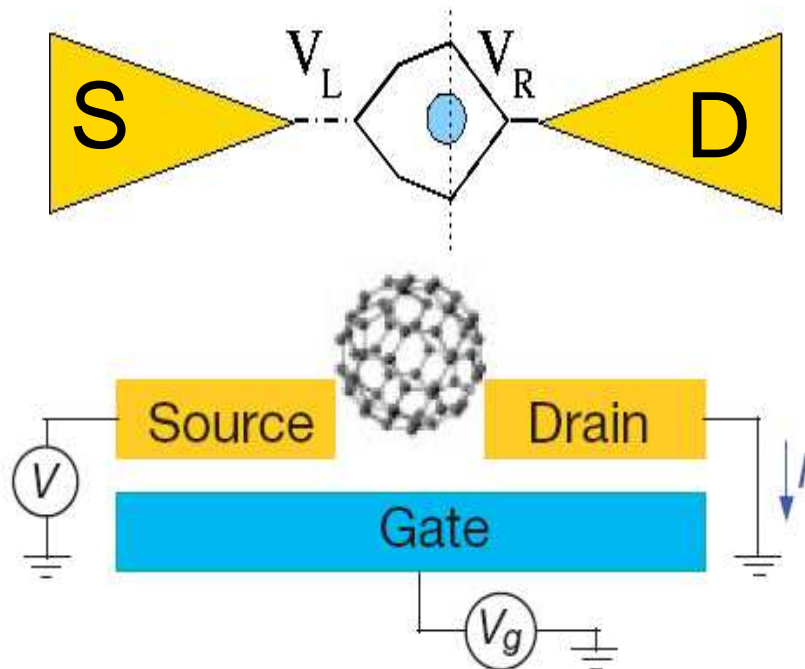


- Single molecule transistors: C_{60} molecules “caught” between electrodes (break junction).
- Zero-bias peak as a function of gate voltage: correct Kondo scaling.
- Correct behavior vs. Bias.
- $T_K > 50K$.

Yu, Natelson, *NanoLett.* **4** 79 (2004).

Transport in molecular junctions.

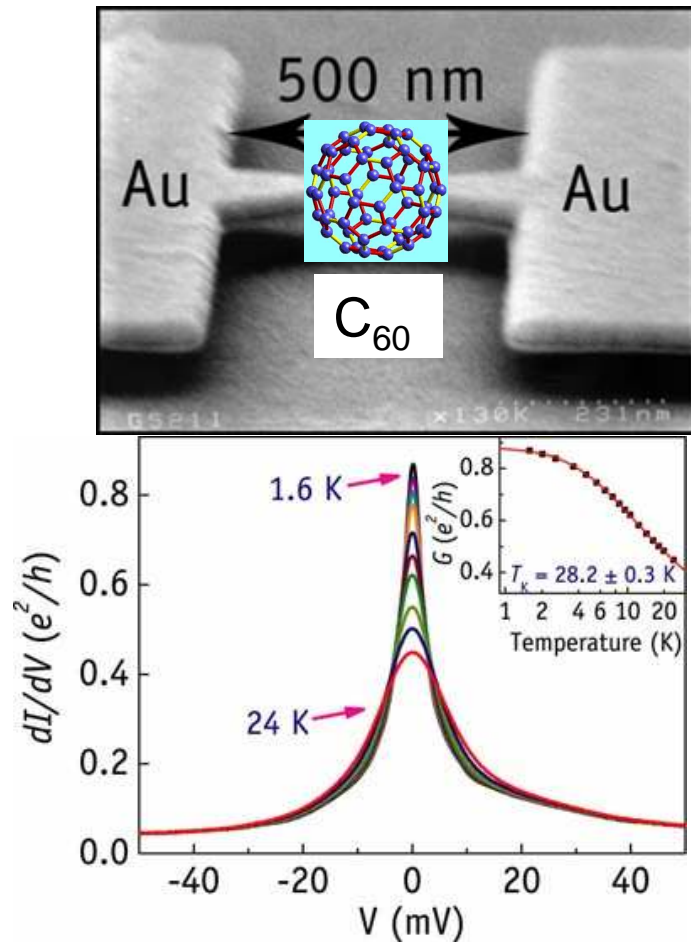
- Coulomb blockade effects .
- Features consistent with vibrational modes in dI/dV .
- Kondo signatures.



Park et al. *Nature* **407** 57 (2000)

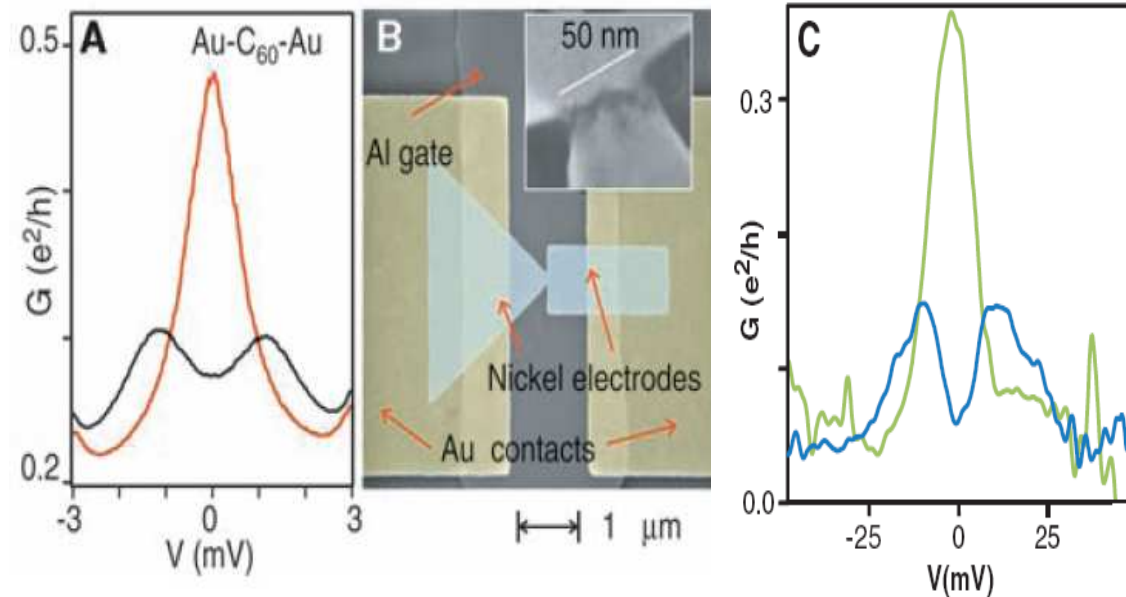
Connection of vibrational modes with 2-channel Kondo:
 LDS, E. Dagotto – PRB **79** 155302 (2009); arXiv:0902.3225.

Kondo effect in Single Molecule Transistors



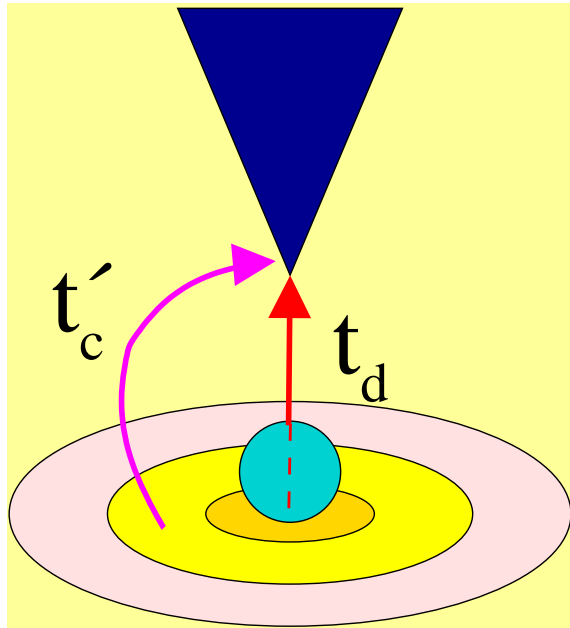
From Dan Ralph's webpage:
<http://people.ccmr.cornell.edu/~ralph/>

Pasupathy et al., *Science* **306** 86 (2004)



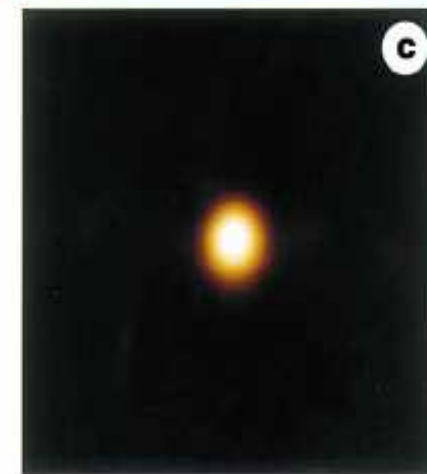
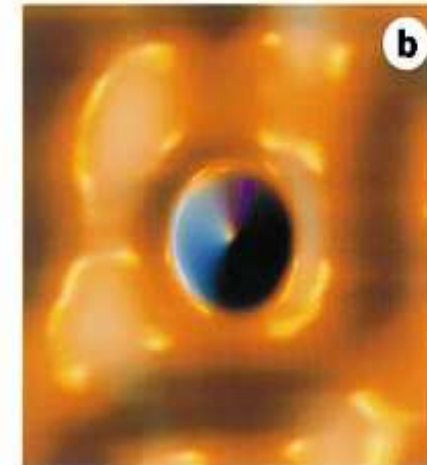
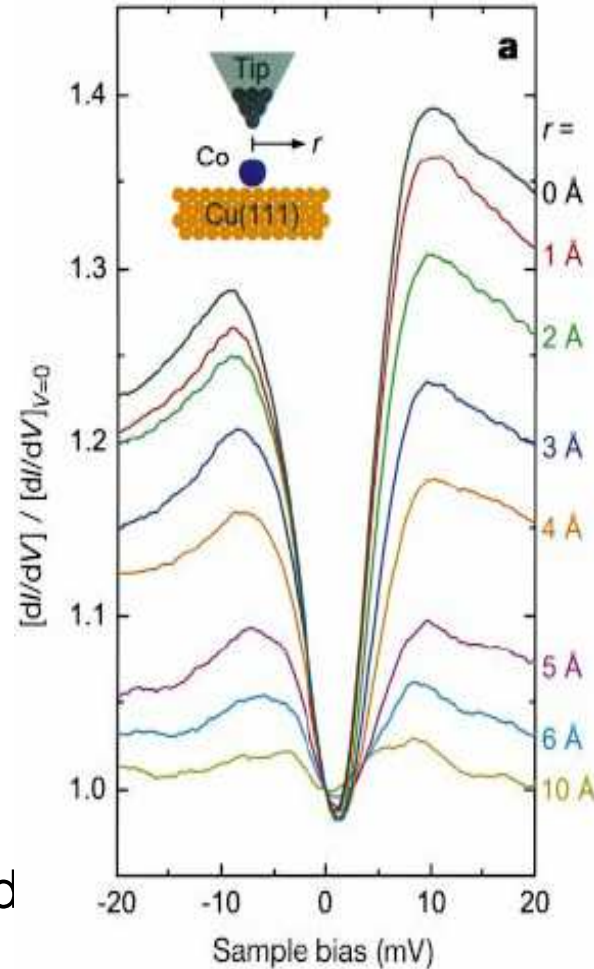
- Similar expts (D. Ralph's group).
- Suppression of the Kondo resonance in the presence of a **magnetic field** (top left, black curve, $B=10$ T) and **magnetic leads** (top right, parallel [green] and antiparallel [blue] magnetizations).

Kondo effect in surfaces (STM images).

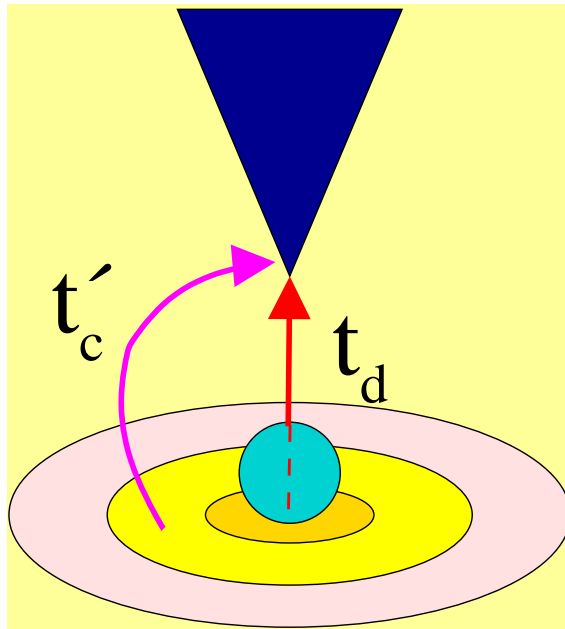


- Magnetic (Co, Fe) atoms on metallic *surfaces*! Right ingredients for Kondo.
- In this case, Kondo is marked by a *dip* at zero-bias conductance (dI/dV at $V=0$).

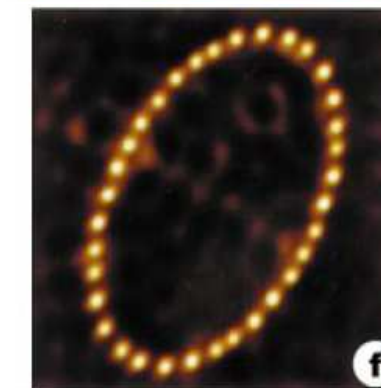
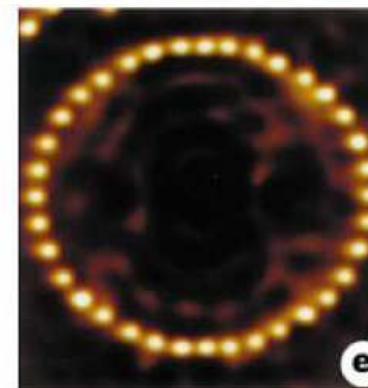
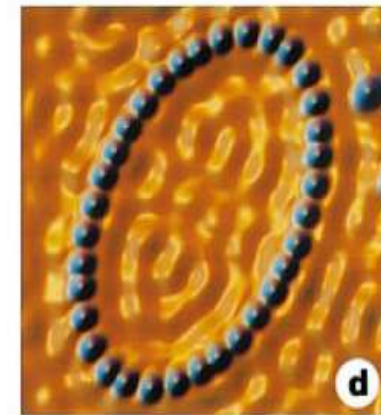
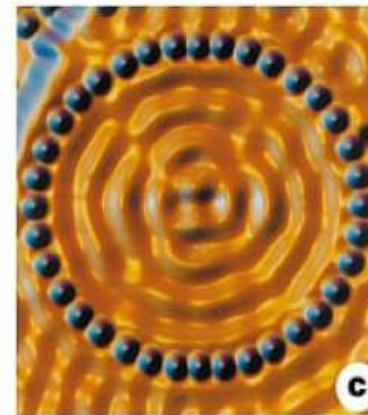
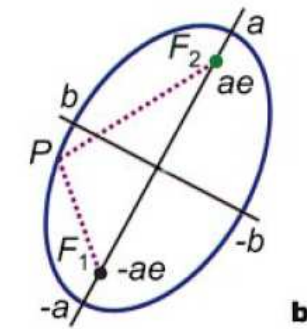
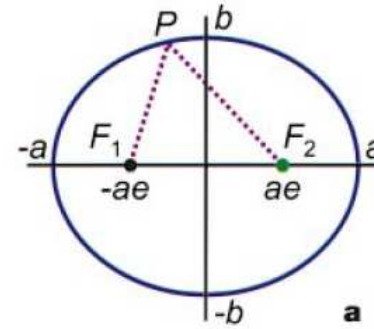
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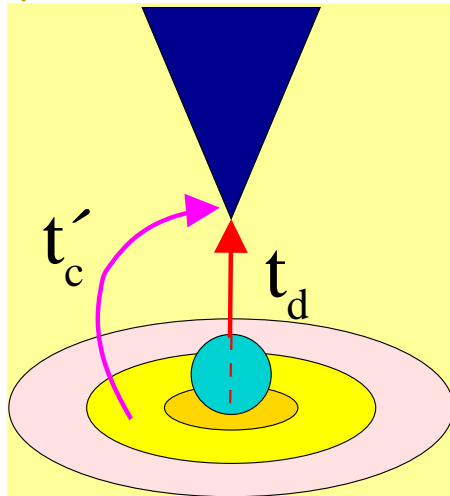
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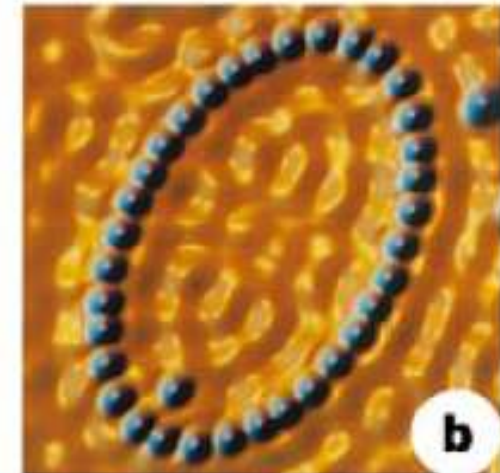
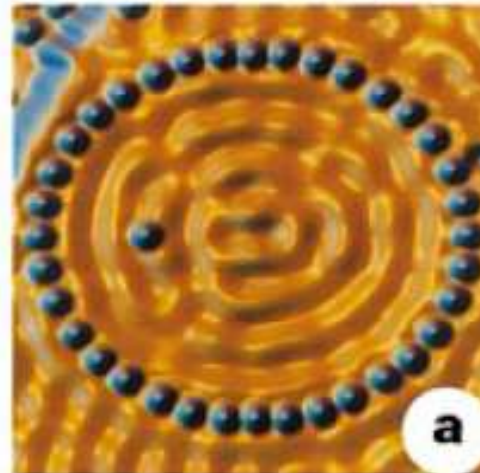
- STM atomic manipulation: can build local structures (“quantum corrals”).
- Elliptical shape: **imaging** (top) and **dI/dV** measurements (bottom).
- Cobalt atoms on Cu(111) shown.



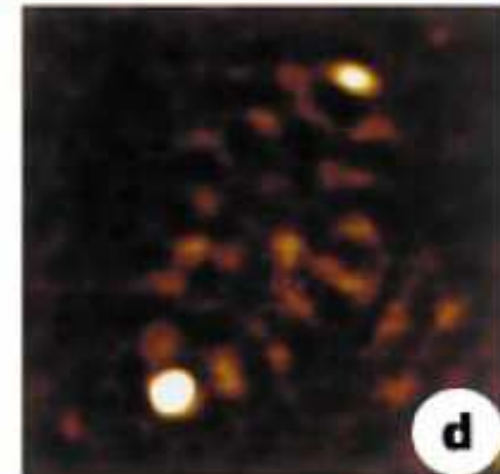
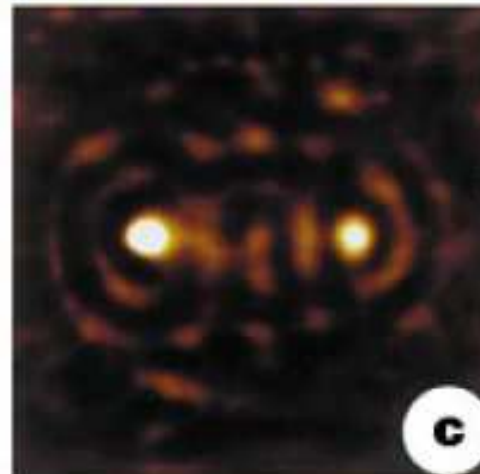
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- One extra atom placed in one foci: a **peak in the dI/dV** appears in the other focus although **NO ATOM** is there! (“quantum mirage”).
- Theory: “focusing” of Kondo-scattered surface electrons*.

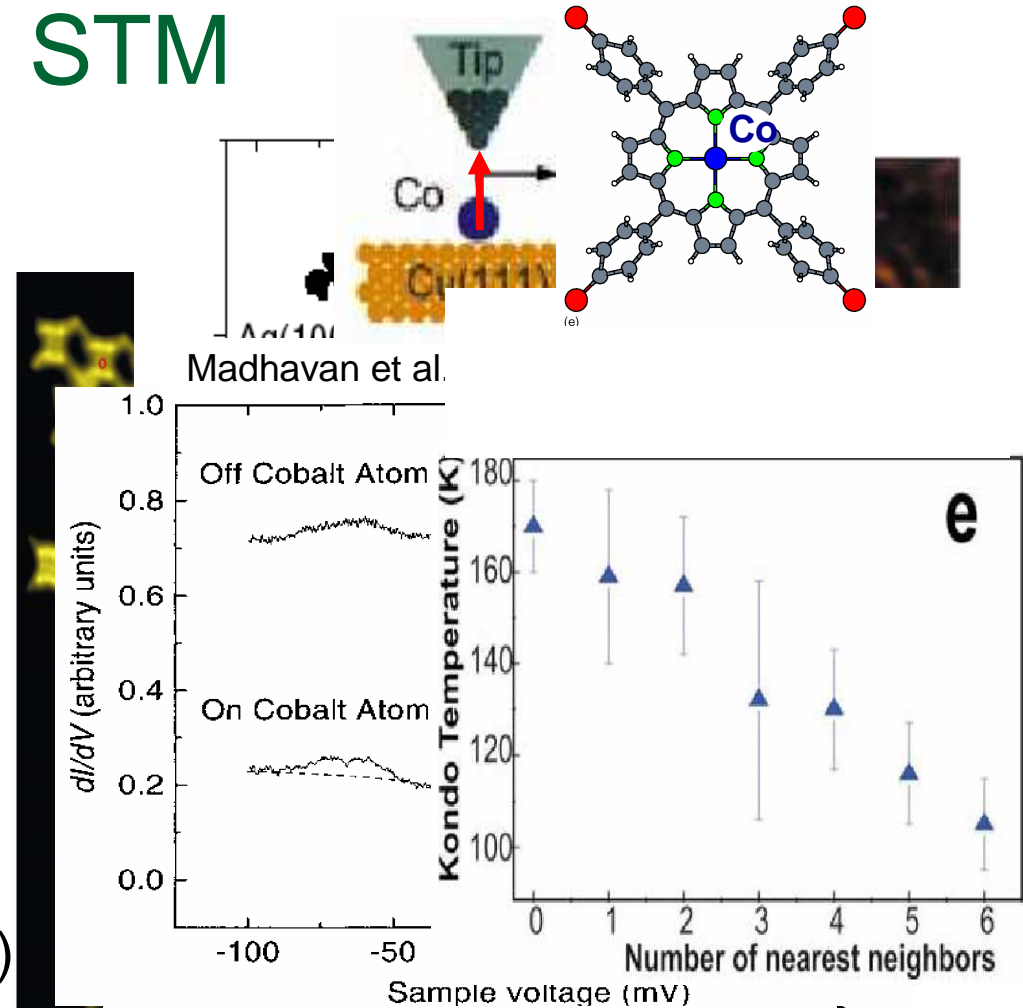


*Schiller and Agam, *PRL* **86** 484 (2001)..

Magnetic impurities on metallic surfaces: Kondo + STM

Kondo/Fano phenomenology quite generic:

- Early experiments: Co on Au(111)
- Co on Cu(111): “Quantum mirage”
- Co on different surfaces: Cu(100), Ag(111), Ag(100),...
- Magnetic *molecules* on Cu(111)
Control of the Kondo temperature by atomic manipulation.



P. Wahl et al., *PRL* **93** 176603 (2004).

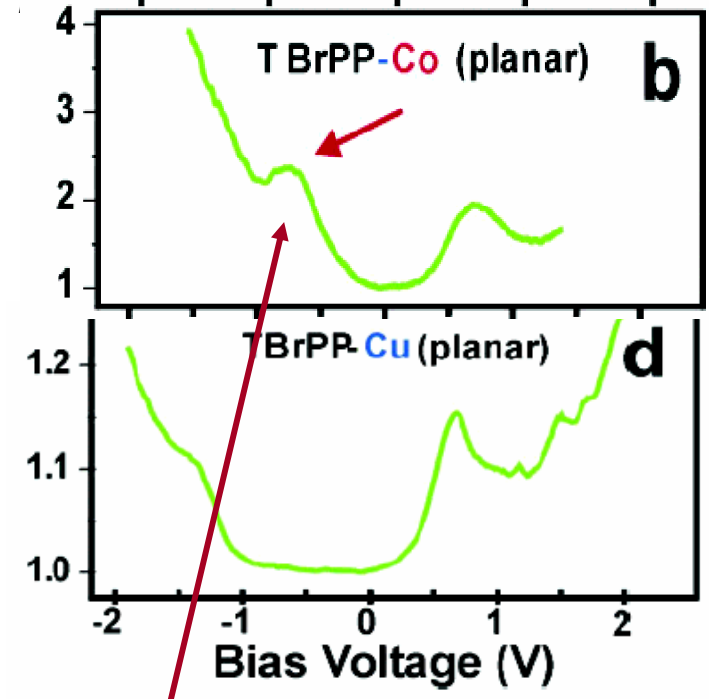
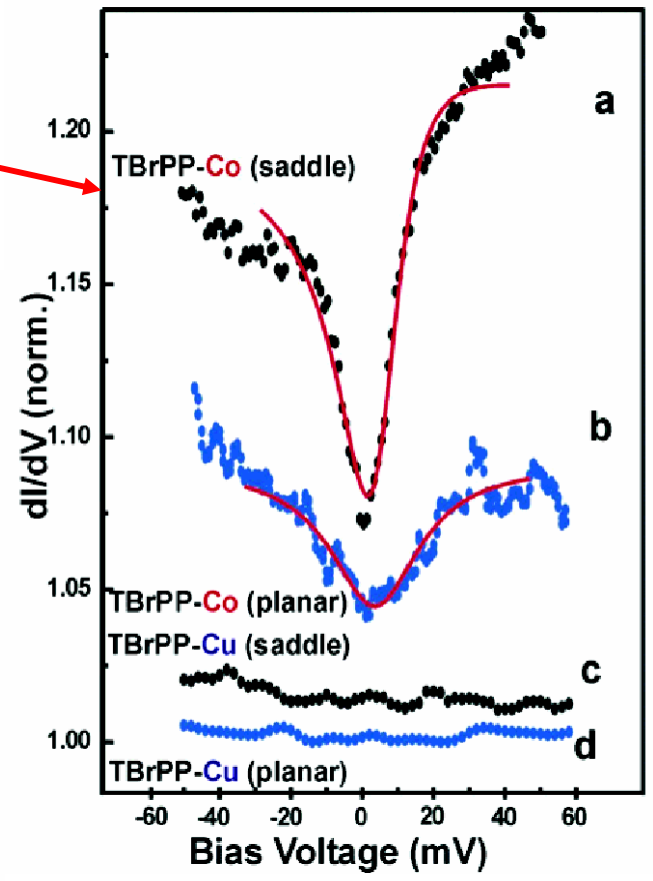
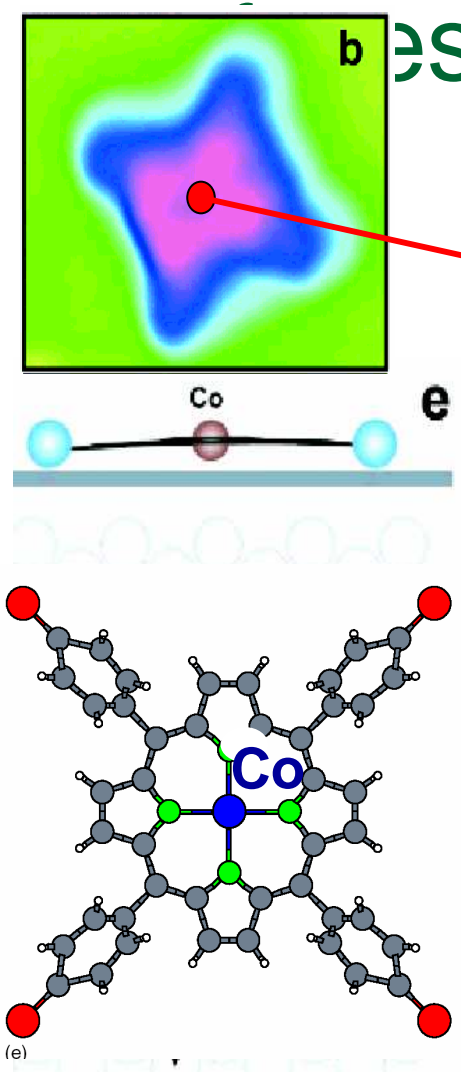
V. Iancu, A. Deshpande, Saw W. Hla *PRL* **97** 266603 (2006).

Kondo: Magnetic molecules on

STM measurements

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Nano Lett. 6, 929 (2006)



Co d_{3z^2-1} level (at ~ -0.7 eV)

Zero-bias dip: Kondo effect. $T_K \sim 130-170$ K

First-principles calculations (GW): hints for a microscopic model.

Model: Anderson-like Hamiltonian

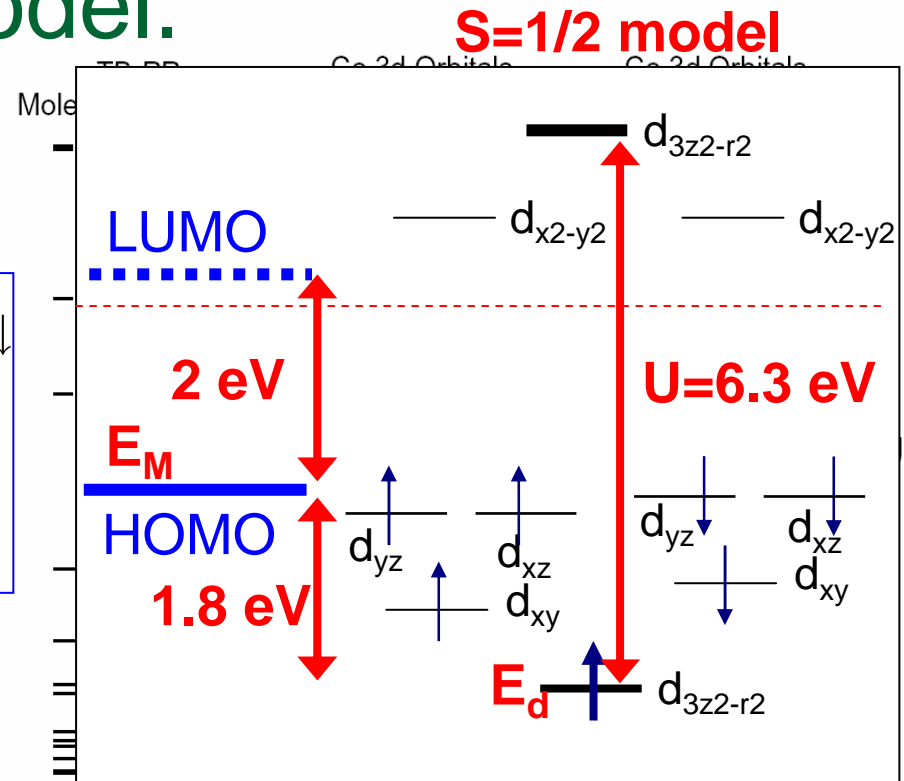
$$H = H_{\text{Molecule}} + H_{\text{Mol-Surface}}$$

$$H_{\text{Molecule}} = \sum_{\sigma} E_d \hat{n}_{d\sigma} + U \hat{n}_{d\uparrow} \hat{n}_{d\downarrow} + \sum_{\sigma} E_M \hat{n}_{M\sigma}$$

OK!

$$H_{\text{Mol-Surf}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \sigma} V_{d\mathbf{k}} c_{d\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_{M\mathbf{k}, \sigma} V_{M\mathbf{k}} c_{M\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \text{h.c.}$$

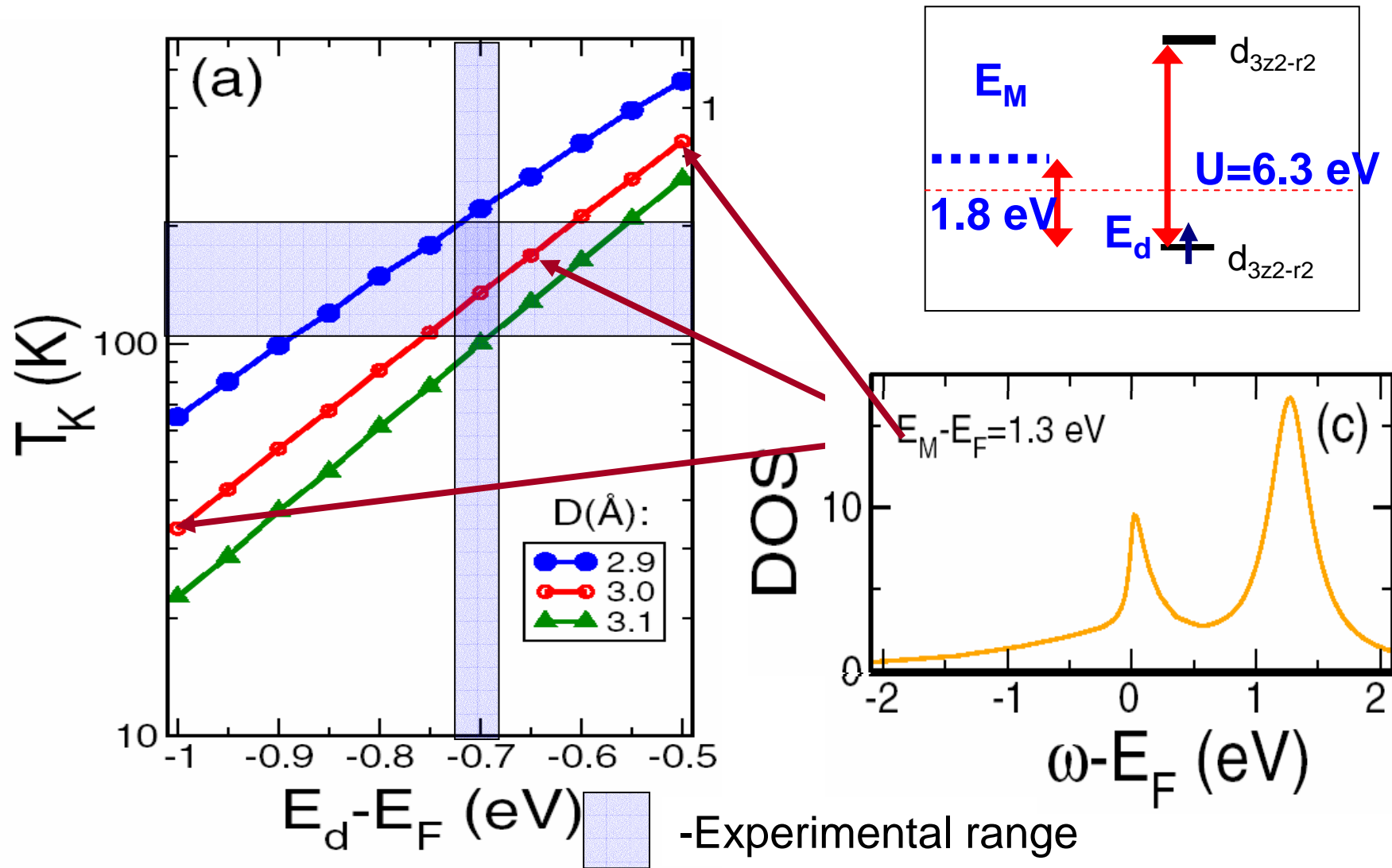
$$V_{d(M)\mathbf{k}} = \langle \phi_{d(M)} | \hat{H} | \psi_{\mathbf{k}} \rangle$$



GW: Molecular levels "Co-like" levels

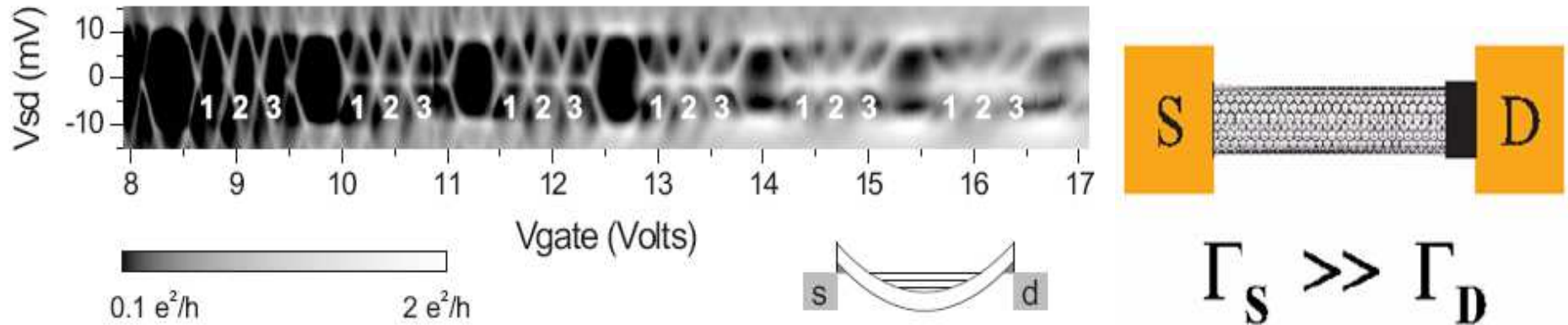
← Not easy to calculate with GW!

NRG calculations (Kondo temperature).



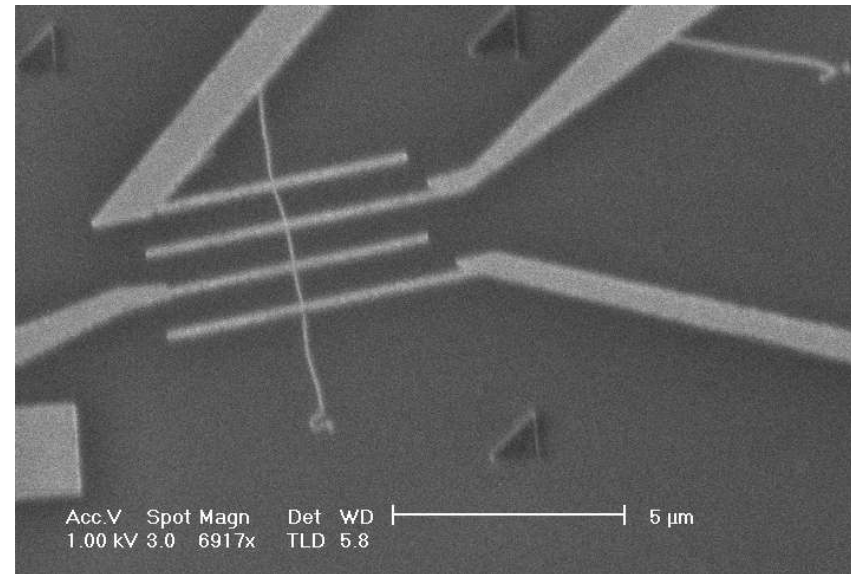
LDS, M Tiago, S Ulloa, F Reboredo E. Dagotto *PRB* **80** 155443 (2009).

Kondo effect In Carbon nanotubes.



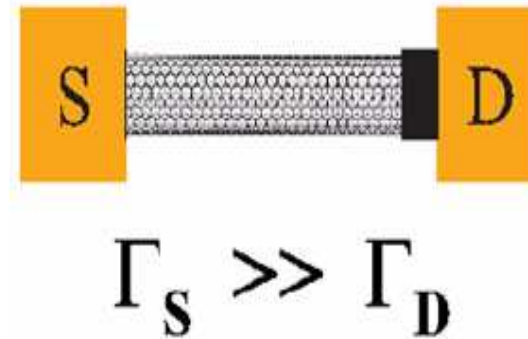
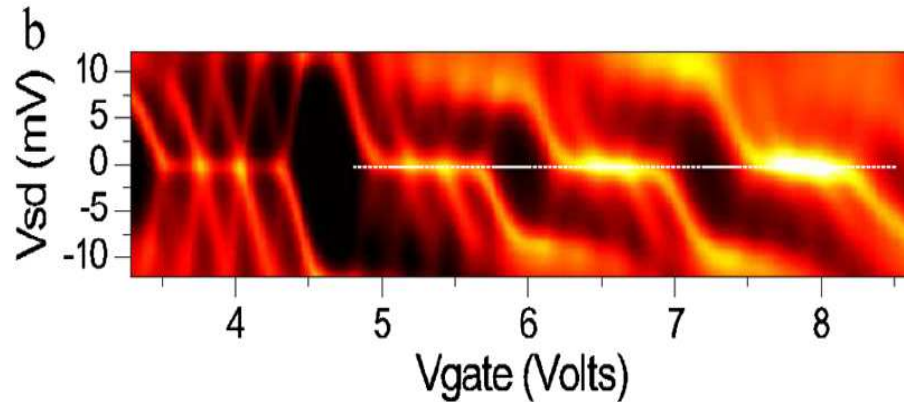
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- Carbon nanotubes deposited on top of metallic electrodes.
- Quantum dots defined *within* the carbon nanotubes.
- More structure than in quantum dots: “shell structure” due to *orbital* degeneracy.

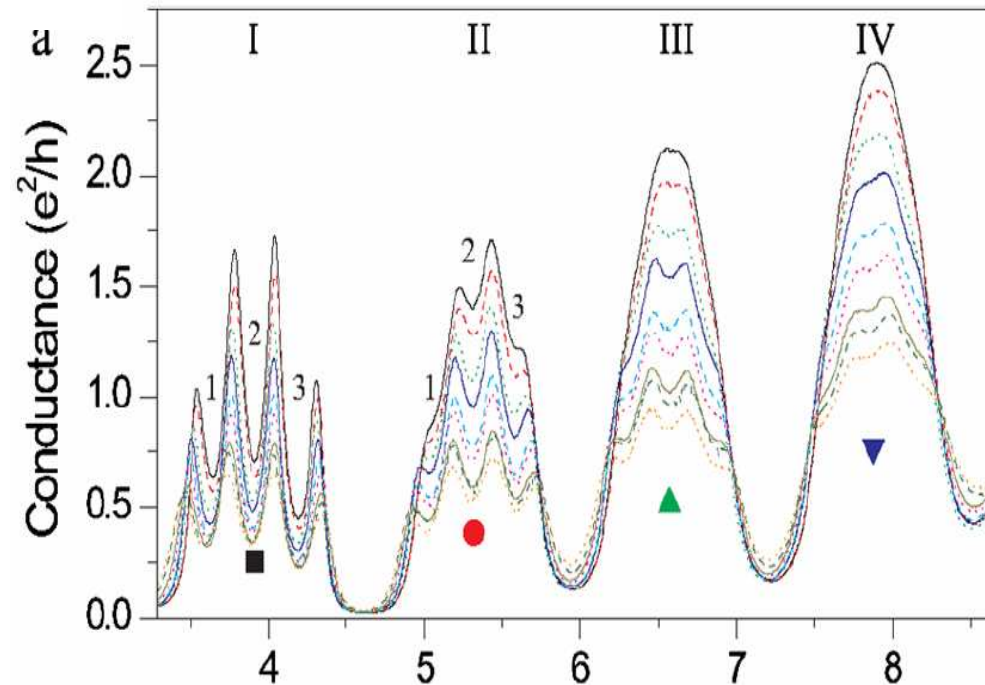


Gleb Filkenstein's webpage: <http://www.phy.duke.edu/~gleb/>

Kondo effect In Carbon nanotubes.



- Temperature behavior is Kondo-like.
- Interesting *merging of the four shells* at high V_g (“SU(4)” Kondo instead of the usual SU(2) Kondo).
- NRG calculations* support that picture.

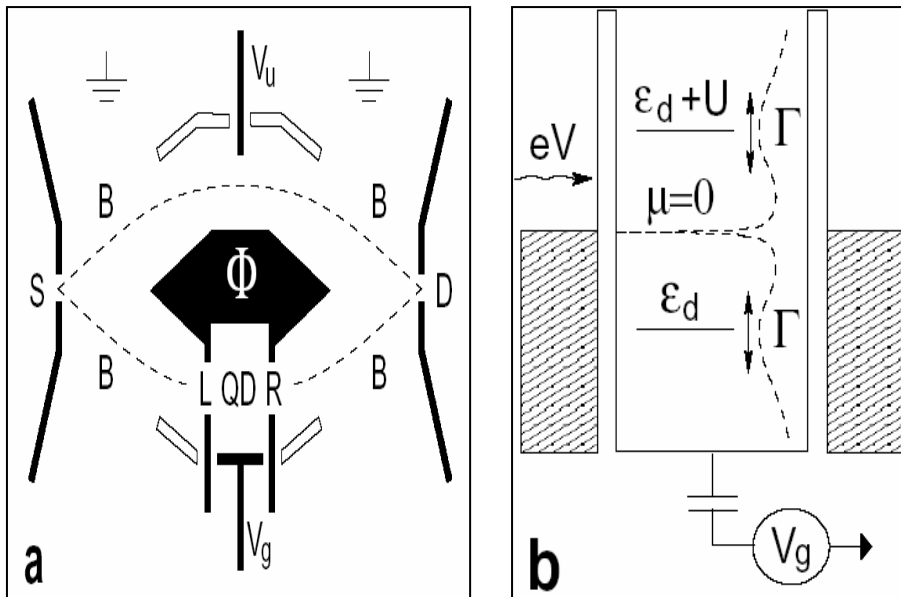


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* Anders, Logan, Galpin, Filkenstein *PRL* **100** 086809 (2008).

More “Theory-Experiment ballgame”

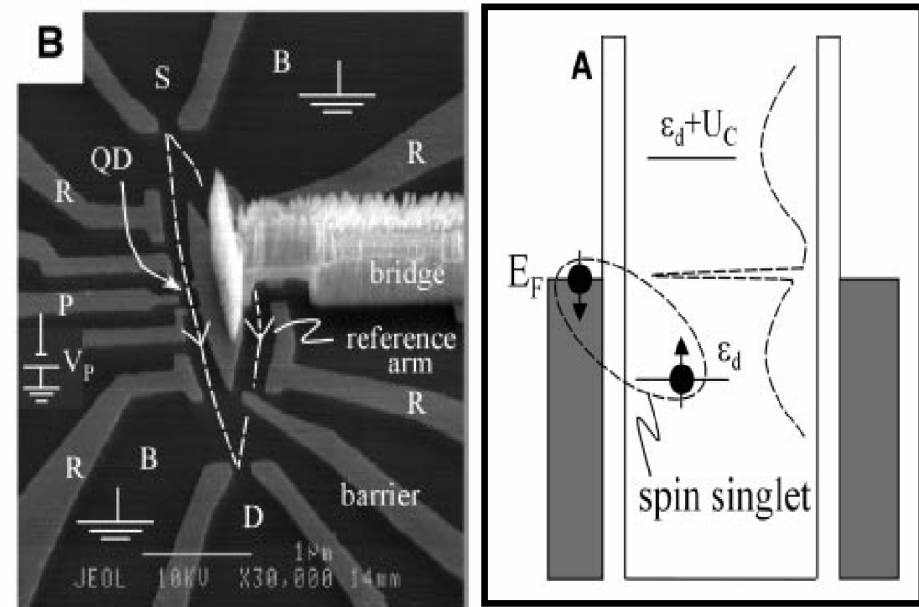
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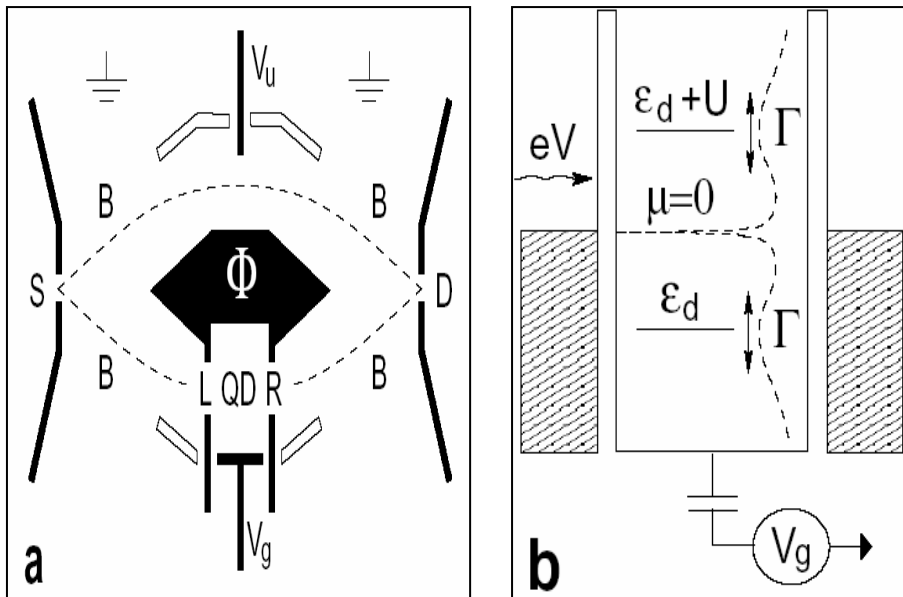


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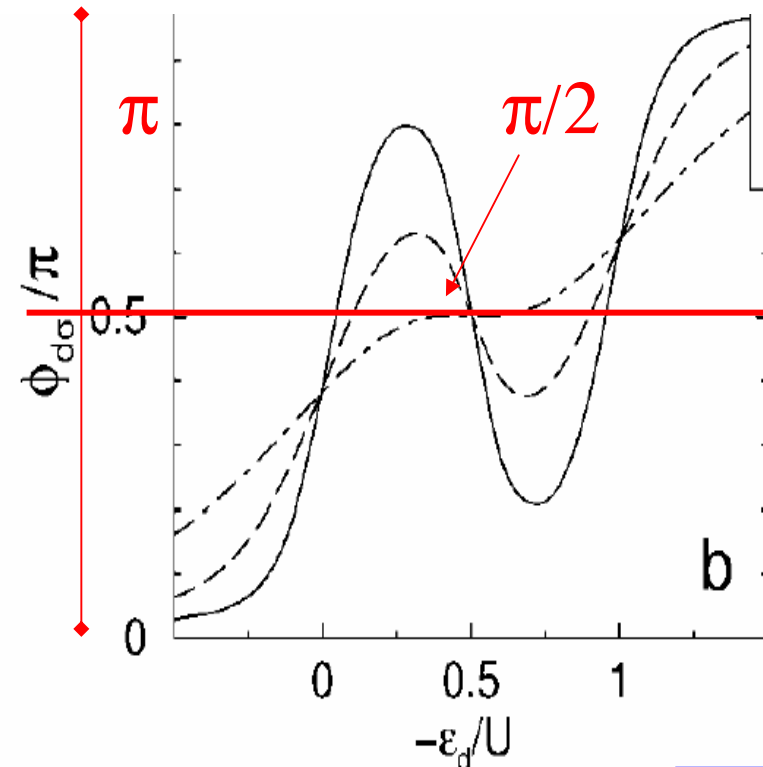
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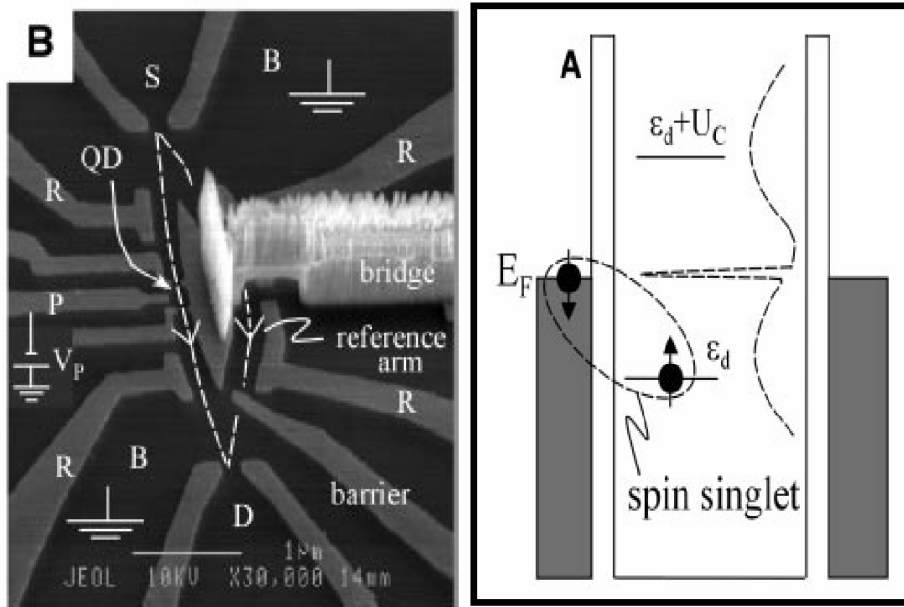


(c) For arbitrary temperatures ($\lesssim \Gamma$), the only approach which gives reliable results for $G_{d\sigma}(E)$ for all Γ, U, ϵ_d is the *numerical renormalization group* (NRG)

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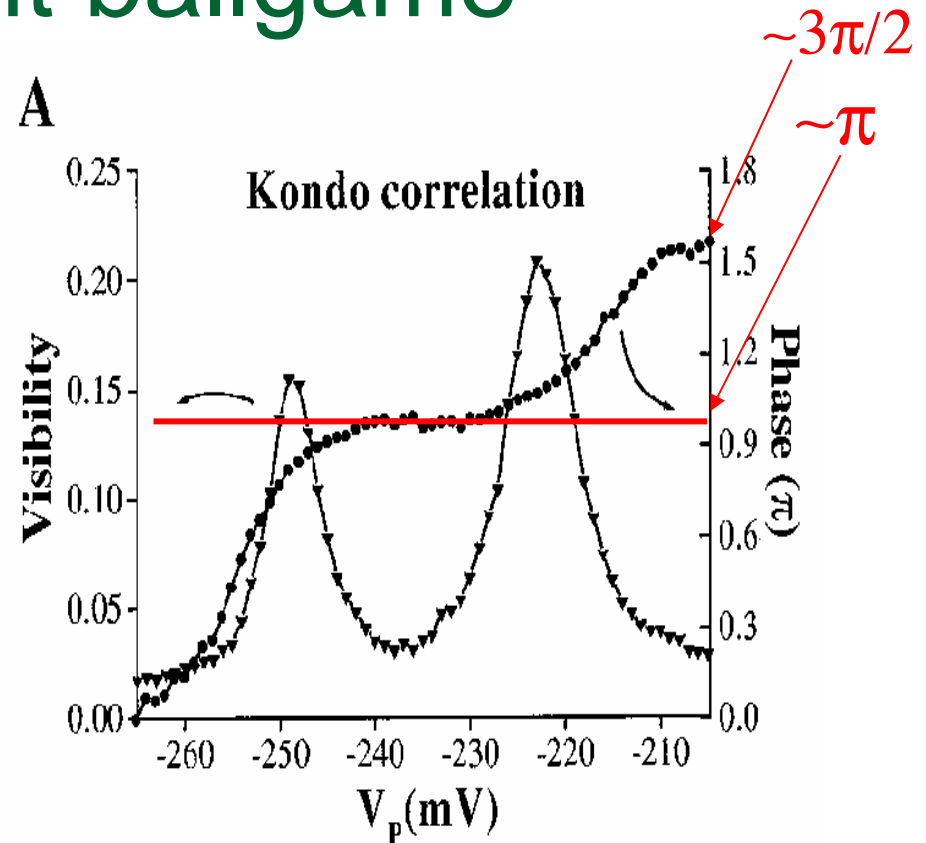
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Summary: Lectures on strongly correlated phenomena in nanostructures.

- *Lecture 1:* Quantum Dots.
 - *Lecture 2:* Kondo effect/NRG.
 - *Lecture 3:* Kondo effect in nanostructures.
 - **Nanostructures display an array of strongly correlated phenomena:** (Kondo and 2ch Kondo effects (= non-Fermi-liquid behavior), interplay of spin and vibrational effects... quantum phase transitions, SU(4) Kondo effect).
 - Opportunity: *controlled* studies of all these features.
 - *Thanks for your attention.*
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