

Kondo effect in metals and nanostructures

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Lecture II

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- Modern aspects of the Kondo effect in mesoscopic systems: quantum dots and nanotubes, non-equilibrium effects, etc.
- New developments: hybrid systems (competition between superconductivity and Kondo), Shiba states, etc.

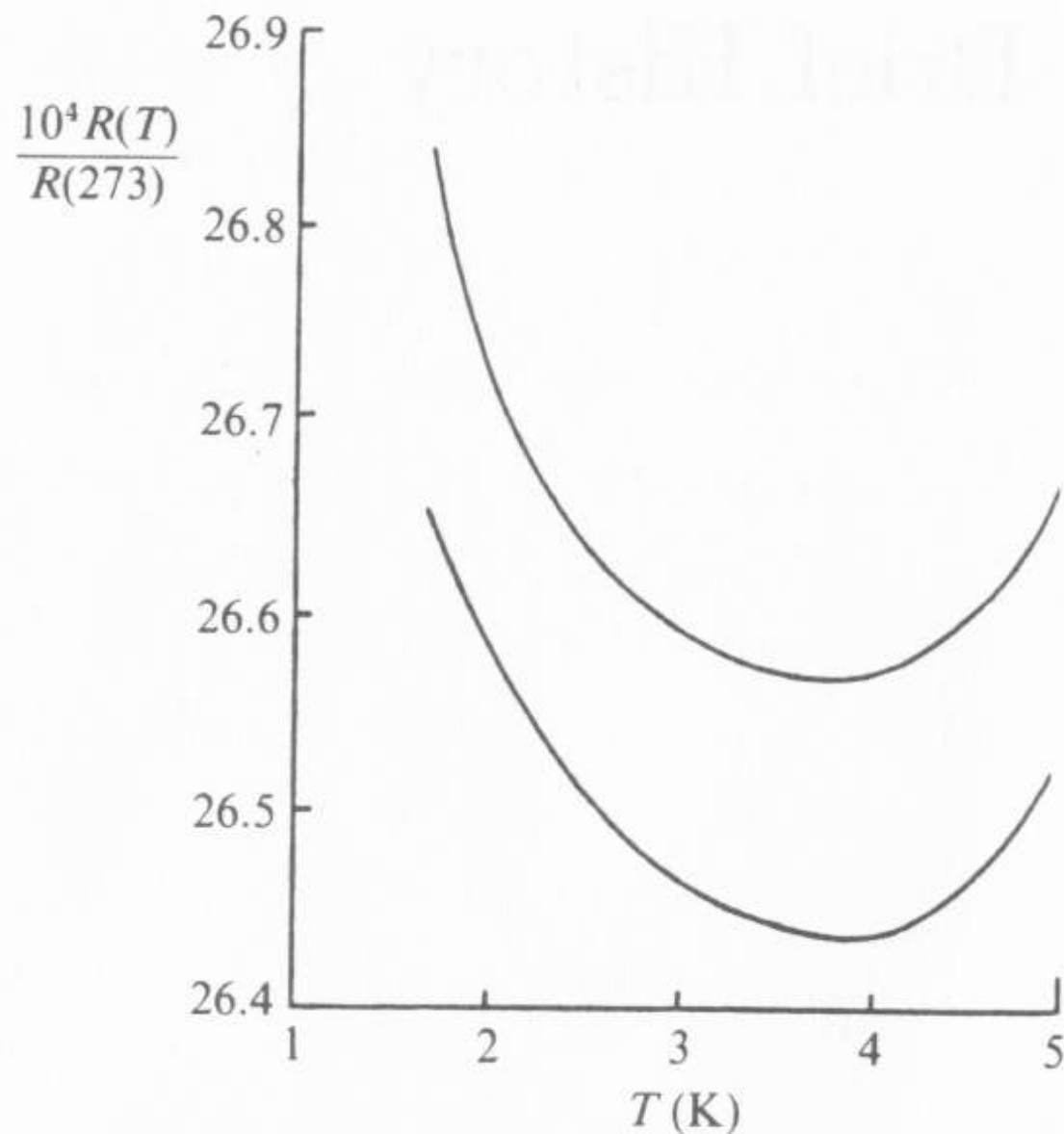
Lecture III

Local magnetic moments in metals

Some relevant questions:

- How does a magnetic moment survive in a metallic environment?
- How does it affect the conduction electrons of the host metal?
- What is the origin of various anomalous contributions to many metallic properties, particularly transport?

Early puzzles



First experiments in Leiden (1934): de Haas et al discovered a “resistance minimum” that develops in the resistivity of copper, gold, silver and many other metals at low temperatures.

The phonon contribution becomes smaller as temperature decreases as

$$R(T) \sim T^5$$

but, somehow, the resistivity increases as low temperatures.

What is going on?

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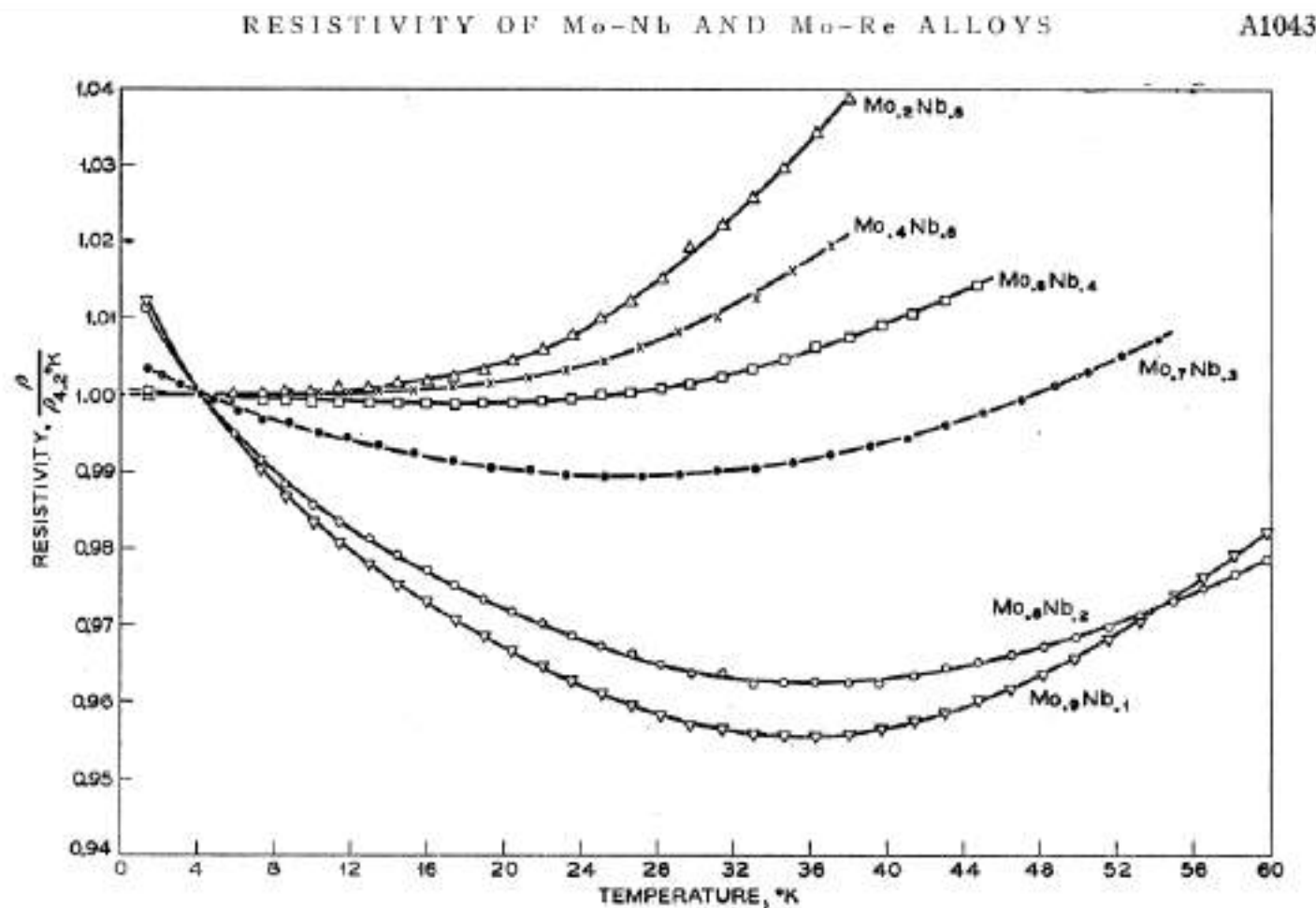
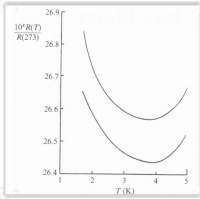
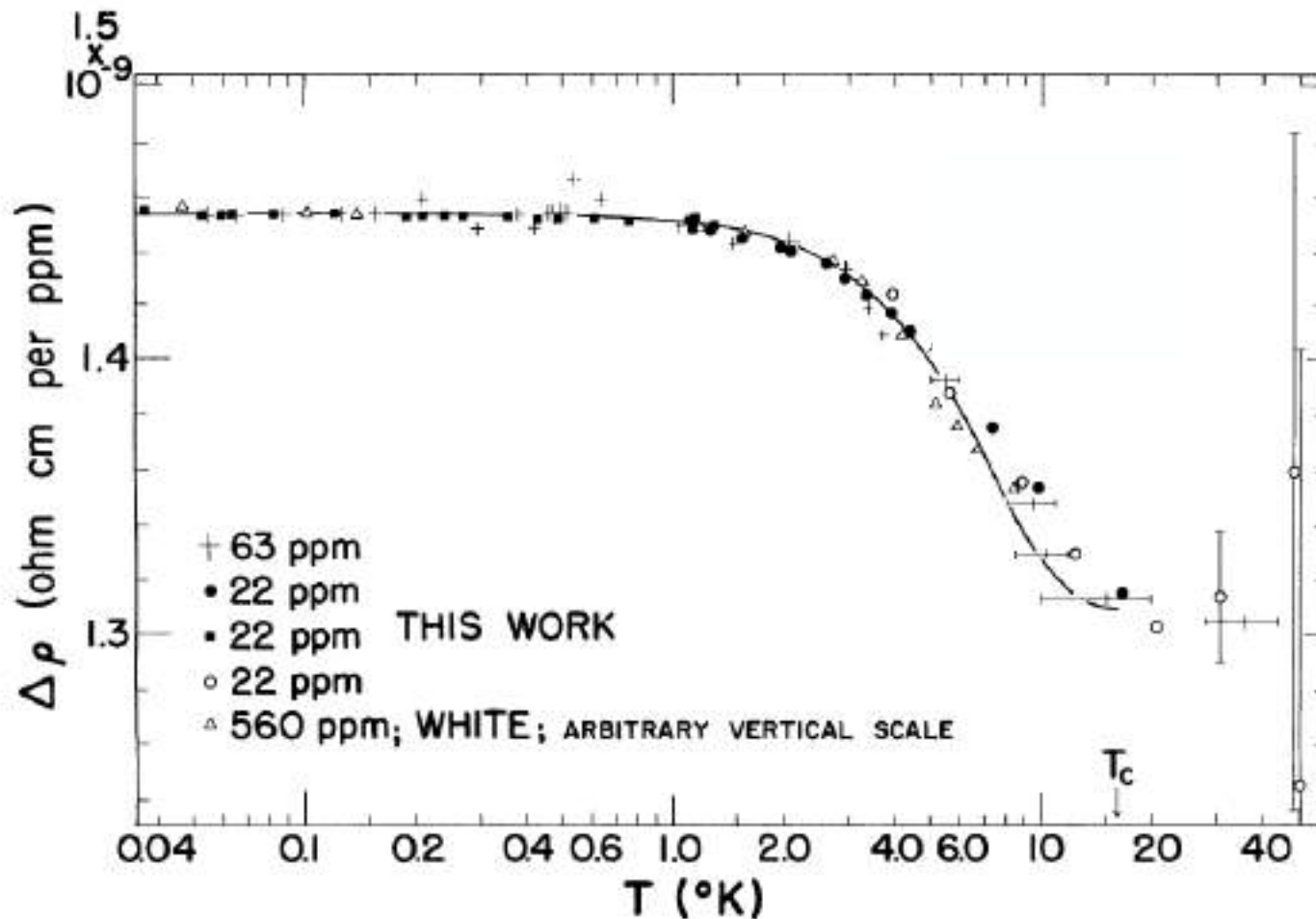


FIG. 3. Resistivity vs temperature for various Mo-Nb alloys containing 1% Fe. Resistivities are normalized at 4.2°K.

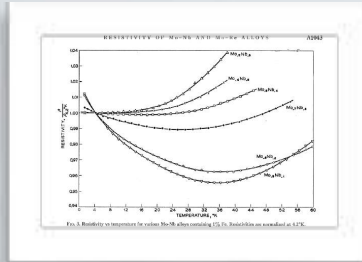
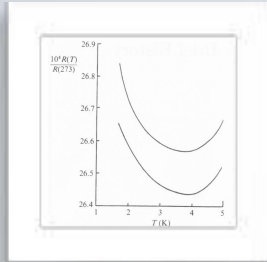
It took a further 30 years before the purity of metals and alloys improved to a point where the resistance minimum could be linked to the presence of magnetic impurities

Clogson et al, 1962;
Sarachik et al, 1964

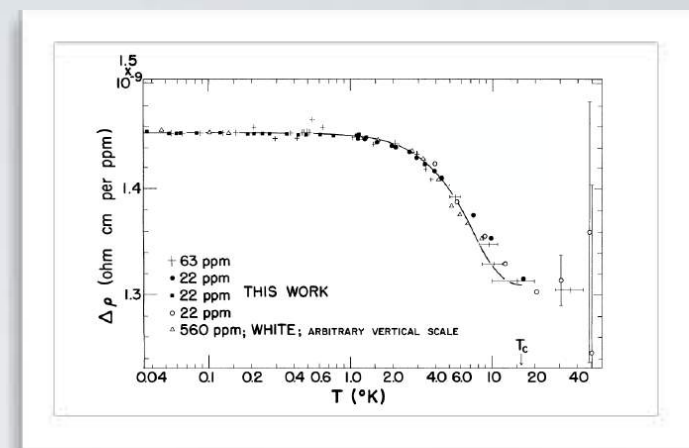
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Such anomalous behavior of the electrical resistivity as a function of temperature challenged theorists for decades. The resistivity **increases logarithmically** as temperature decreases!!!

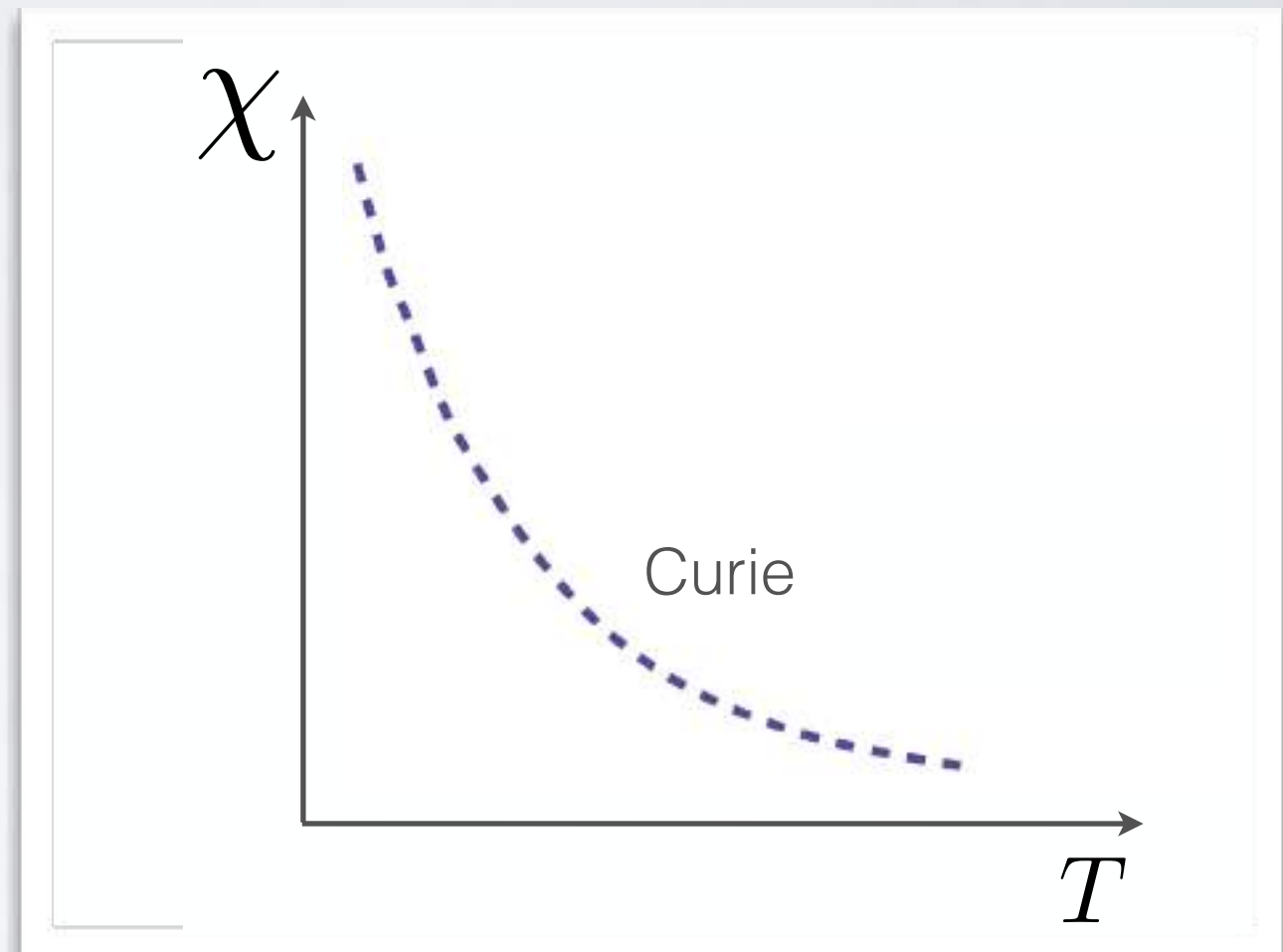


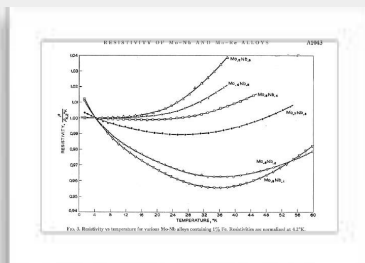
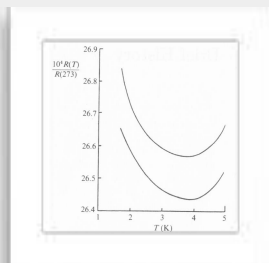
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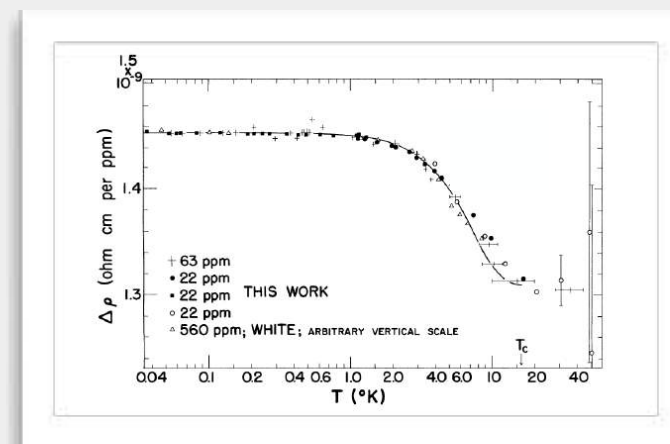
- Magnetic impurities contribute with a Curie-Weiss term in the spin susceptibility in addition to the temperature independent Pauli susceptibility of the host metal:

$$\chi = \frac{g^2 \mu_B^2 S(S+1)}{3k_B(T + T_0)}$$



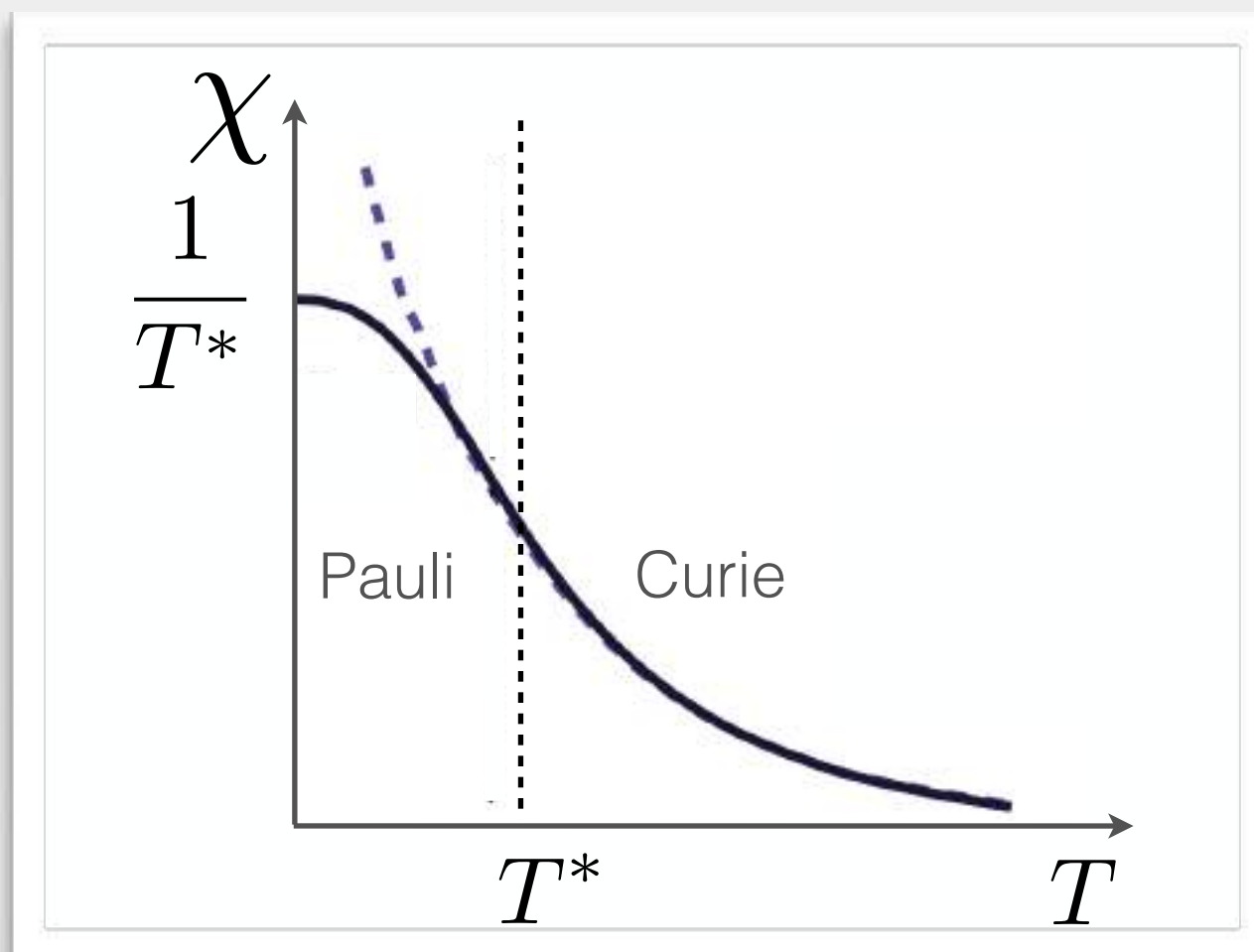


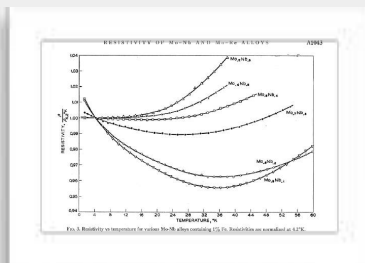
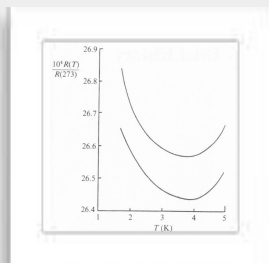
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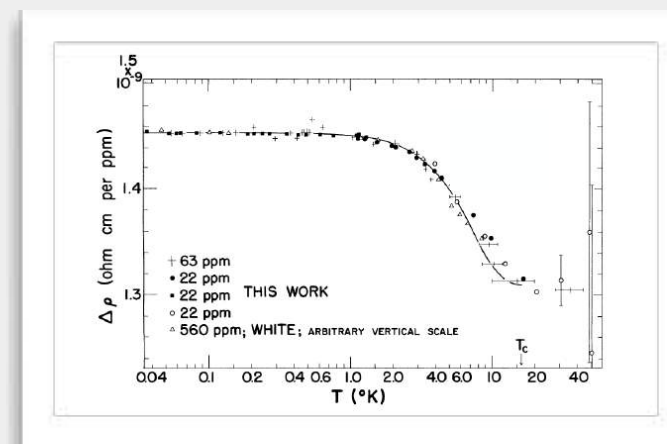
Apart from the minimum in resistivity many anomalous features:

- The logarithmic increase saturates at a characteristic temperature T^* .
- At this T^* , the susceptibility changes from Curie to constant=Pauli (the local moment “disappears”!).
- Completely opposite to ferromagnetism: at low enough temperatures, traces of magnetism seem to disappear.



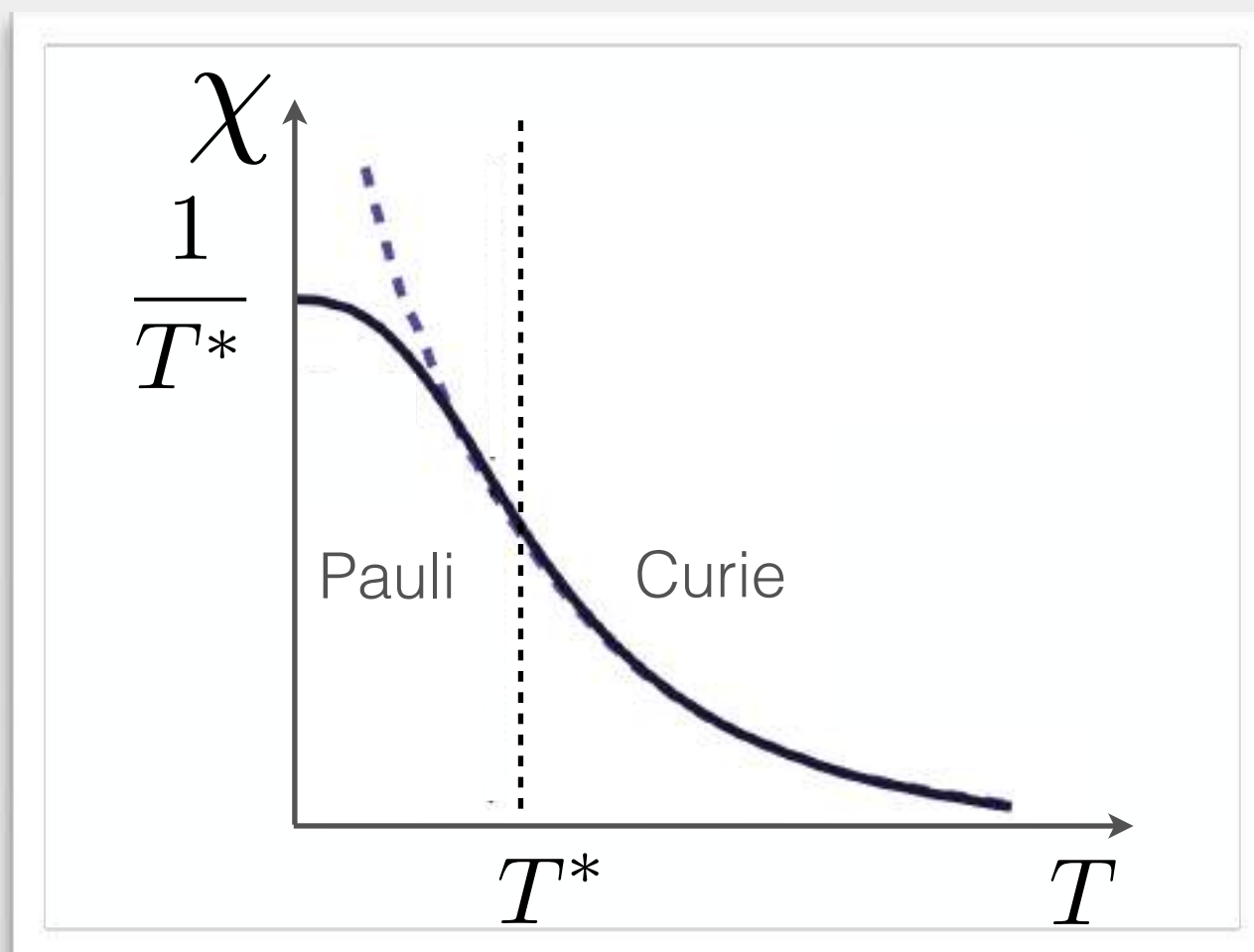


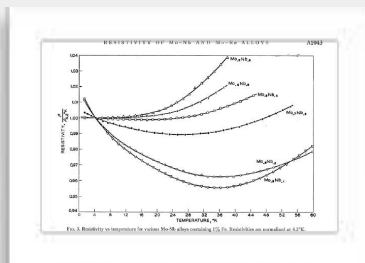
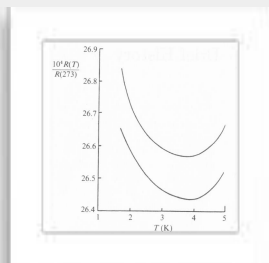
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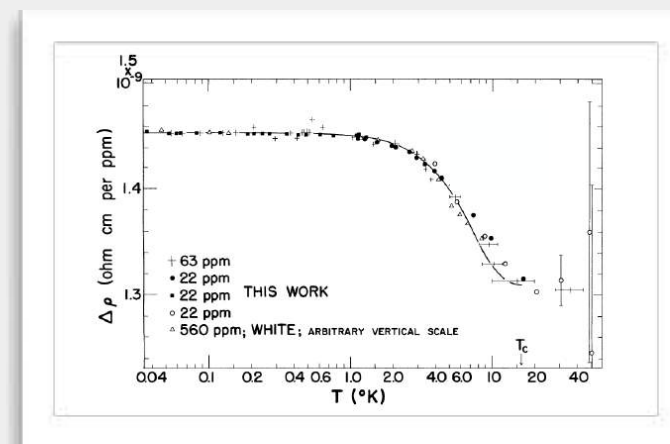
Key observation:

- A constant susceptibility at $T=0$ is characteristic of a singlet state.
- Since the logarithmic increase of resistivity vanishes once the impurities begin to condense into singlet states, the resistivity minimum must be due to the interaction of the impurity spin with those of the host metal.

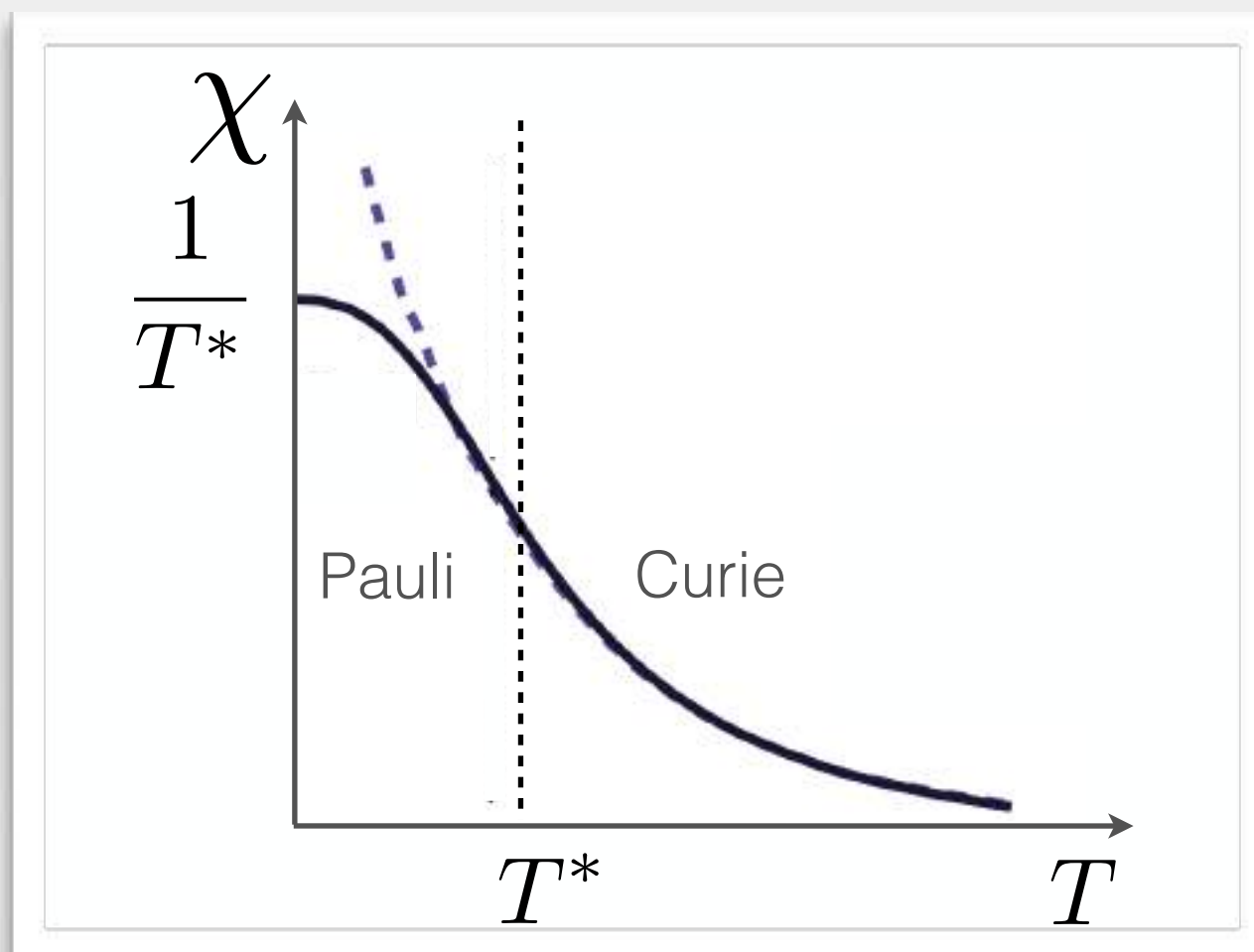


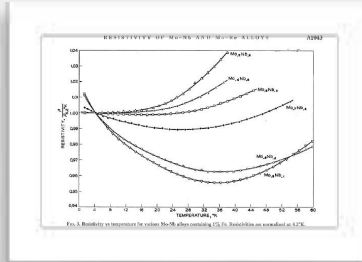
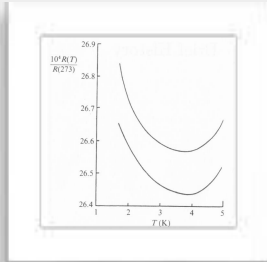


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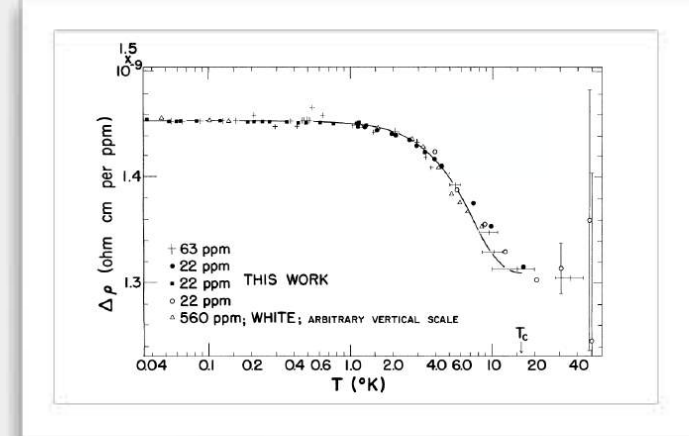


- Big puzzle: band theory (very successful at that time) **could not** explain these observations.
- The question was: **what a magnetic moment in a metal means?**



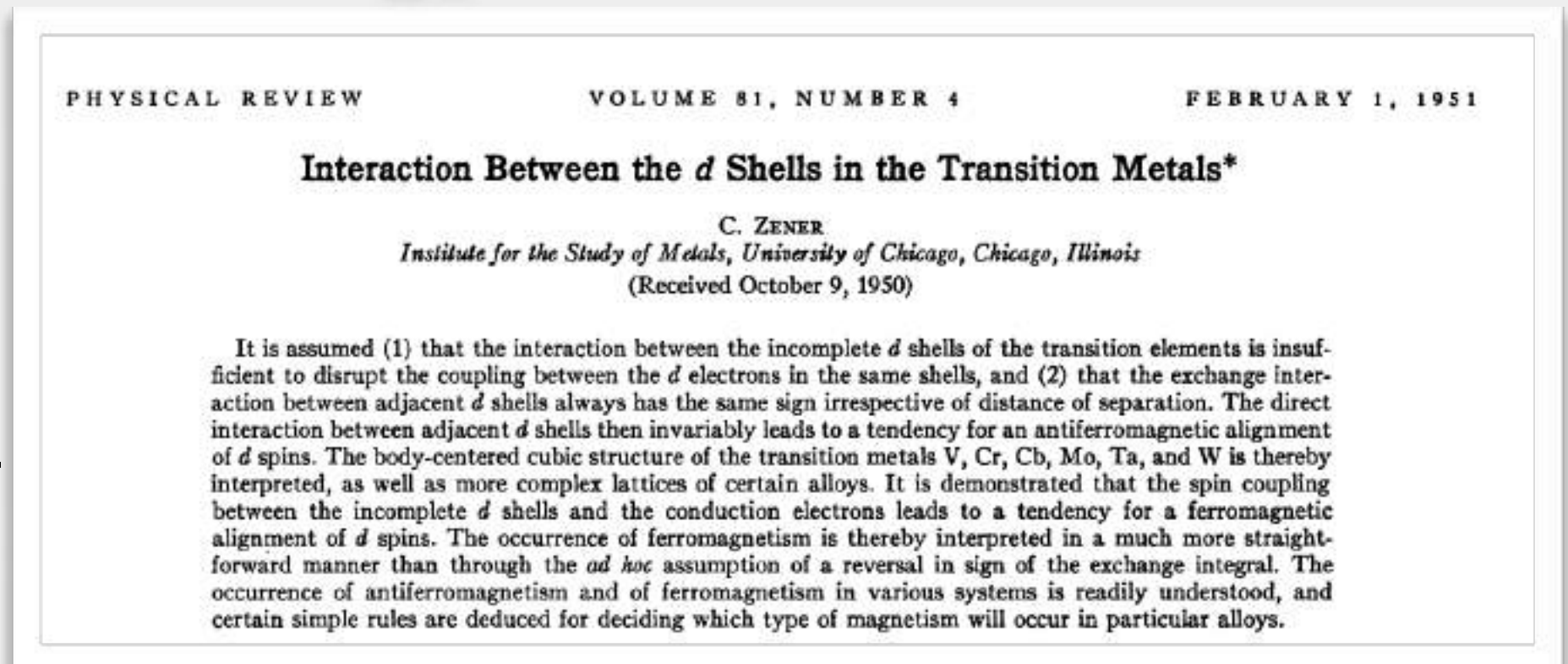


Early puzzles



- First models describing magnetic impurities in metallic hosts appear in the 1950's (MJ Calderón's lecture).
- These models are essentially **ad-hoc Heisenberg-like models** between the impurity spins and conduction electrons.

$$\sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k n_{k\sigma} + J \vec{S} \cdot \vec{s}$$



Also, Owen, Browne, Knight and Kittel, Phys. Rev. 102, 1501 (1956)
 Yosida, Phys. Rev. 106, 893 (1957), etc.

Local magnetic moments in metals: some history

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first, they flew in the face of the overwhelming ascendancy. at the time of the band theory of solids, in emphasizing *locality*: how a magnetic moment, or an eigenstate, could be permanently pinned down in a given region. It is this fascination with the local and with the failures, not successes, of band theory,

1928 Felix Bloch's PhD Thesis "Quantum Mechanics of Electrons in Crystals and Developing the Theory of Metallic Conduction". First student of Werner Heisenberg just one year after his famous uncertainty principle was formulated.

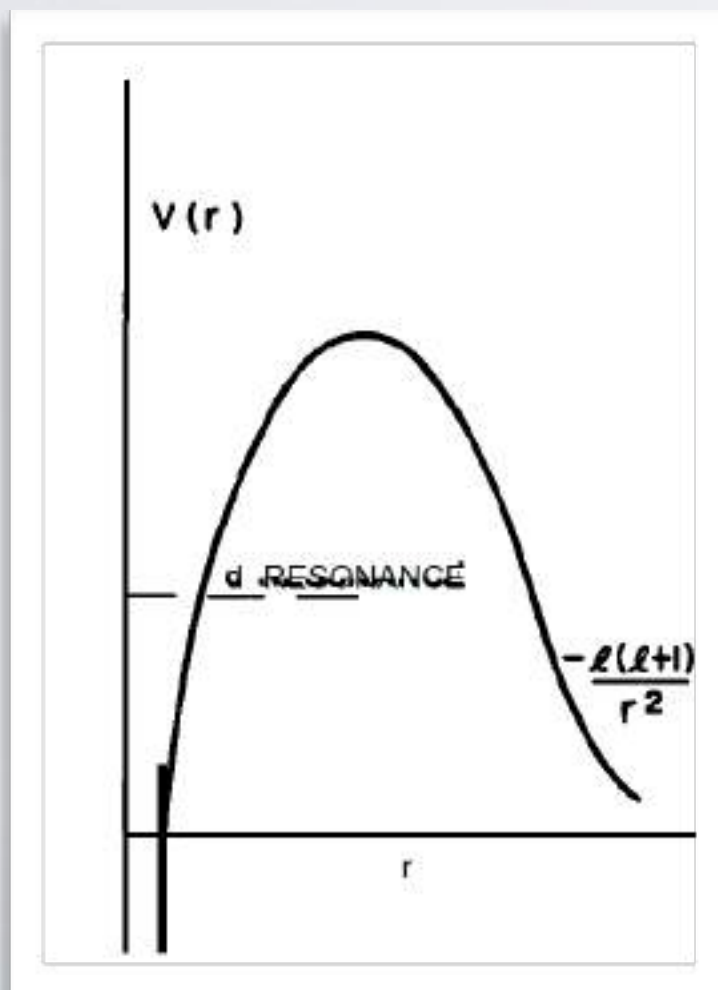
Local magnetic moments in metals: basic phenomenology

Anderson's model combines two basic ideas:

1. **The localizing influence of Coulomb interactions.** Peierls and Mott had reasoned in the 1940s that strong-enough Coulomb repulsion between electrons in an atomic state would blockade the passage of electrons, converting a metal into what is now called a “Mott insulator”. These ideas were independently explored by Van Vleck and Hurvitz in an early attempt to understand magnetic ions in metals.
2. **The formation of an electronic resonance.** In the 1950's Friedel and Blandin proposed that electrons in the core states of magnetic atoms tunnel out into the conduction sea, forming a resonance. Revolutionary idea at that time: Impurities in a metal can be described as scattering processes.

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- An impurity in a nonmagnetic metal can give rise to a local moment if an electronic state on the impurity is singly occupied (Friedel, Nuovo Cimento Supp. VII 287, 1958).
- Friedel's model describes the effect of the impurity as an effective deep Coulombic core plus an angular momentum-dependent centrifugal barrier



- Such a potential can support bound states. Those occurring well below the Fermi energy will be doubly occupied and have no magnetic moments. A local magnetic moment can form, however, in a bound or resonant state of the impurity near the Fermi level if spins are nondegenerate.

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The implications for magnetism in metals - as opposed to insulators - of this on-site Coulomb interaction U were first suggested by Van Vleck and elaborated in Hurwitz' thesis (3) during the war, and later in a seminal paper which I heard in 1951, published in 1953 (4). Also, very influential for me was a small conference on magnetism in metals convened at Brasenose College, Oxford, September 1959, by the Oxford-Harwell group, where I presented some very qualitative ideas on how magnetism in the iron group might come about. More important was my first exposure to Friedel's and Blandin's ideas on resonant or virtual states (5, 6) at that conference. The essence of Friedel's ideas were 1) that impurities in metals were often best described not by atomic orbitals but by scattering phase shifts for the band electrons, which would in many cases be of resonant form; 2) that spins in the case of magnetic impurities might be described by spin-dependent scattering phase shifts.

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magnetic atom had no effect, or raised T_c (as in Fig. 3b). A systematic study of the occurrence of moments was carried out by Clogston *et al* (8). As yet, no real thought (except see Ref. (6)) had been given to what a magnetic moment in a metal *meant*: the extensive investigations of Owen *et al* (9) and of Zimmermann (10), for instance, on Mn in Cu, and the Yosida calculation (11), essentially postulated a local atomic spin given by God and called S , connected to the free electrons by an empirical exchange integral J ; precisely what we now call the “Kondo Hamiltonian”:

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k n_{k\sigma} + J \vec{S} \cdot \vec{s} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{where } s = \sum_{k\sigma} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger \vec{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma'} c_{k'\sigma'}$$

is the local spin density of free electrons at the impurity.

The “Anderson model” (12) is the simplest one which provides an electronic mechanism for the existence of such a moment. We insert the vital on-site exchange term U , and we characterize the impurity atom by an additional

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- The band in the non-metallic host is represented by a set of Bloch states with band energies:

$$\varepsilon_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} - \frac{\hbar^2 k_F^2}{2m}$$

Second quantization

$$H_{band} = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k c_{k,\sigma}^\dagger c_{k,\sigma}$$

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- The impurity is treated as a **local site on which a single orbital level is placed**. While this simplification does not capture the five-fold degeneracy of the d-orbitals of typical impurities, such as Fe, Ni, Co, this deficiency is not crucial as we will see.
- We denote the wave function of the orbital $\phi_d(\vec{r})$ and the energy required to place an electron on the impurity with spin either up or down is ε_d
- The orbital can be either singly occupied or occupied by two electrons. The latter case costs an energy U which physically arises from the Coulomb repulsion between electrons and is thus given by

$$U = \langle d | V_{ee} | d \rangle = \int dr_1 dr_2 |\phi_d(r_1)|^2 \frac{e^2}{|r_1 - r_2|} |\phi_d(r_2)|^2$$

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● The Anderson model only includes on-site interactions which is, a priori, a strong approximation. In general, an electron localized on a d-level interacts with localized electrons on other sites. These additional interactions were estimated by Hubbard (Proc. Roy Soc. Lond. A, 276, 238, 1964) in a lattice model for d-electrons

$$\langle ij|V_{ee}|kl\rangle = \int dr_1 dr_2 \phi_i^*(r_1) \phi_j^*(r_2) \frac{e^2}{|r_1 - r_2|} \phi_l(r_1) \phi_k(r_2)$$

on-site

$$U = \langle ii|V_{ee}|ii\rangle \approx 20eV$$

nearest neighbor

$$V = \langle ij|V_{ee}|ij\rangle \approx 2eV$$

exchange

$$Y = \langle ij|V_{ee}|ji\rangle \approx 0.02eV$$

Local magnetic moments in metals: basic phenomenology

- The final ingredient in the Anderson model is a spin-conserving coupling between the impurity level and the band states in the metal, described by a matrix element $V_{k,d}$. This interaction causes a hybridization of the band states and the impurity level. The final Anderson hamiltonian reads:

$$H = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + \sum_{k,\sigma} V_{kd} (a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{d\sigma} + a_{d\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma}) + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow}$$

$n_{d\sigma} = a_{d\sigma}^\dagger a_{d\sigma}$ is the number operator for a localized spin σ

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- Paradigm model of strong correlations
- Despite its apparent simplicity, extremely nontrivial: strong on-site interactions+quantum fluctuations


Anderson, Phys. Rev. 124, 41, 1961

Physics of the Anderson model

1. The Coulomb interaction favors the formation of local moments because it tends to inhibit double occupation of a site.
2. On the other hand, quantum fluctuations of charge on the impurity caused by strong hybridization of the impurity level with the band states tends to wash out local moments. These fluctuations are governed by an energy scale

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{2\Gamma}{\hbar} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |V_{kd}|^2 \rho(\varepsilon_d)$$

Density of electron k-states per volume and per spin
evaluated at the impurity energy



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Atomic limit

Non-magnetic

$$|2\rangle \quad E_{|2\rangle} = 2\epsilon_d + U$$

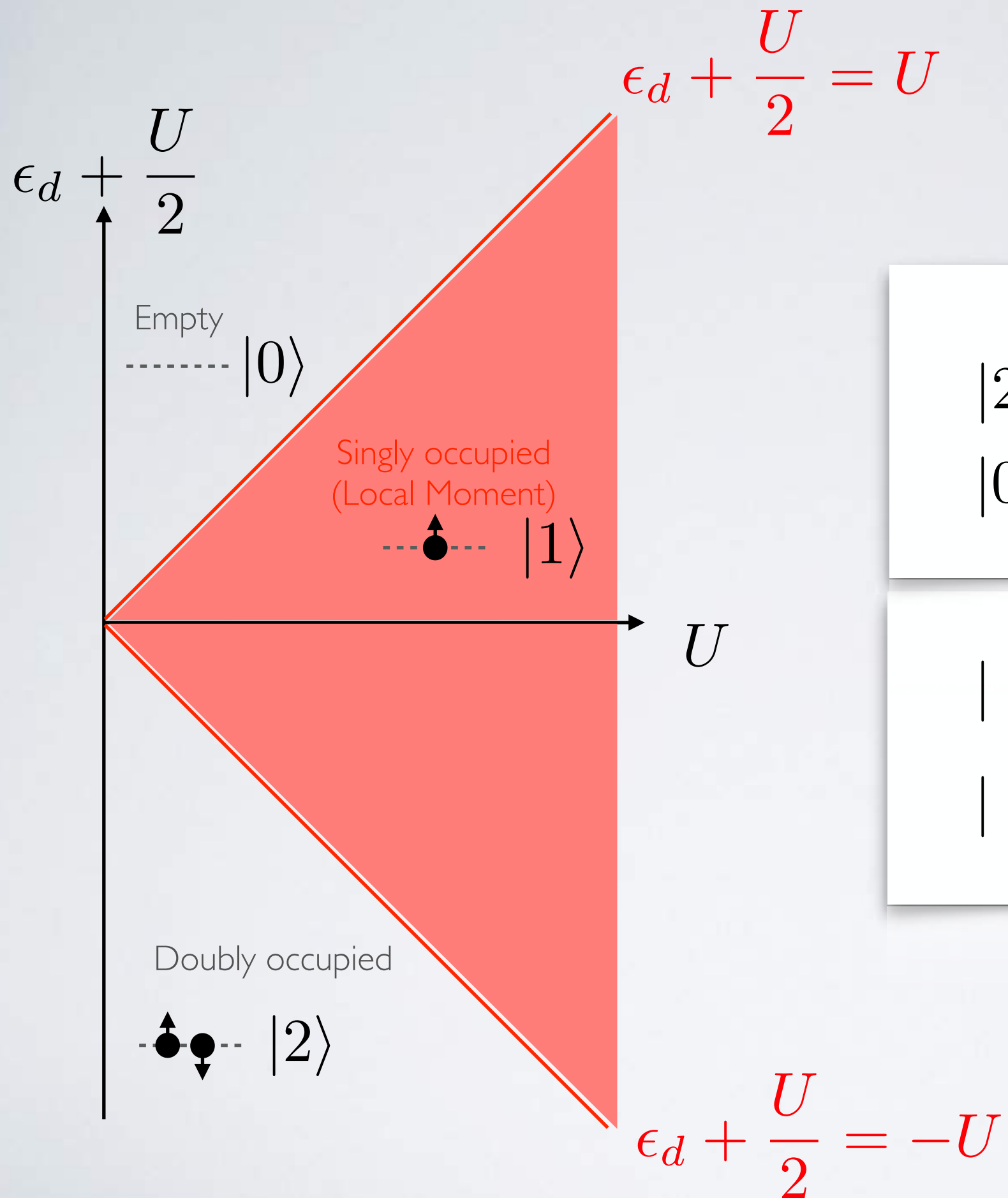
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The exact Green's function of the problem can be solved formally as:

$$G_{\sigma}^r(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega - \varepsilon_d - U \langle n_{d-\sigma} \rangle - \Sigma^r(\omega)}$$

$$\Sigma^r(\omega) = \sum_k \frac{|V_k|^2}{\omega - \varepsilon_k + i\eta}$$

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$$\langle n_{d-\sigma} \rangle = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\omega \operatorname{Im} G_{-\sigma}^r(\omega) f_{FD}(\omega)$$

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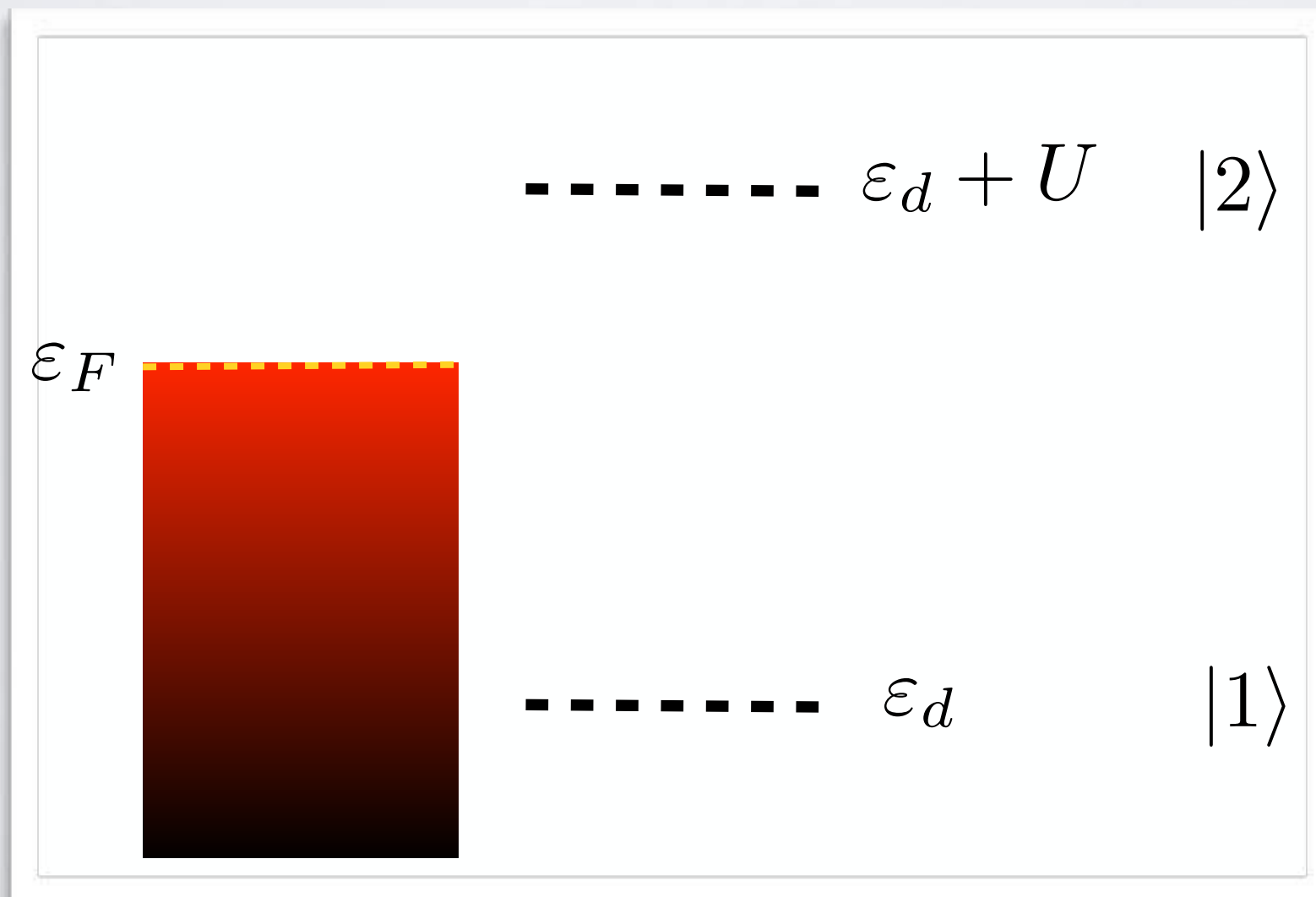
$$\Sigma^r(\omega) \approx \frac{\Gamma}{\pi} \int_{-D}^D \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon} - i\Gamma = -\frac{\Gamma}{\pi} \ln \left| \frac{D + \omega}{D - \omega} \right| - i\Gamma$$

level shift
width

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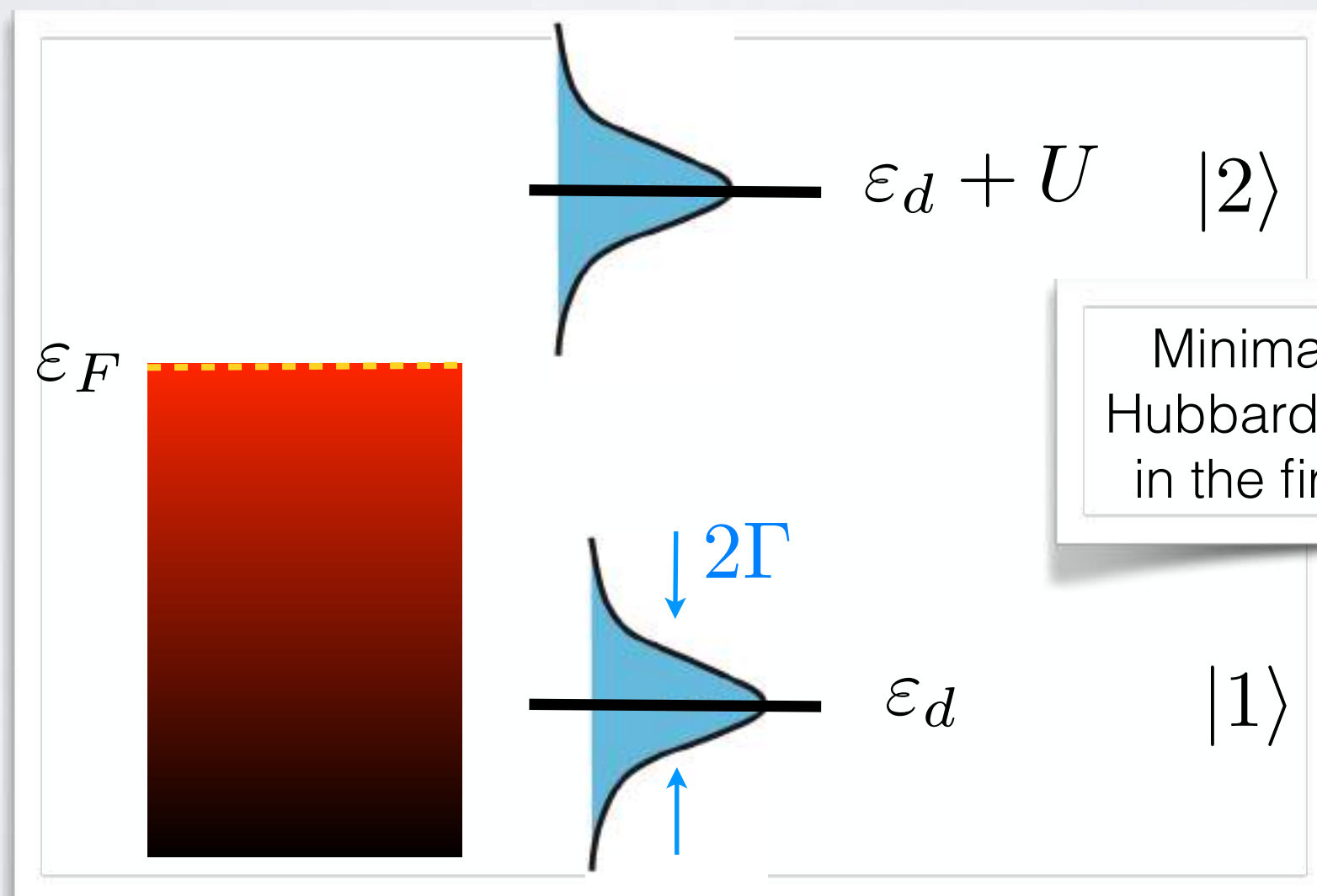
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Minimal realization of the Hubbard “bands” discussed in the first lectures by Leni

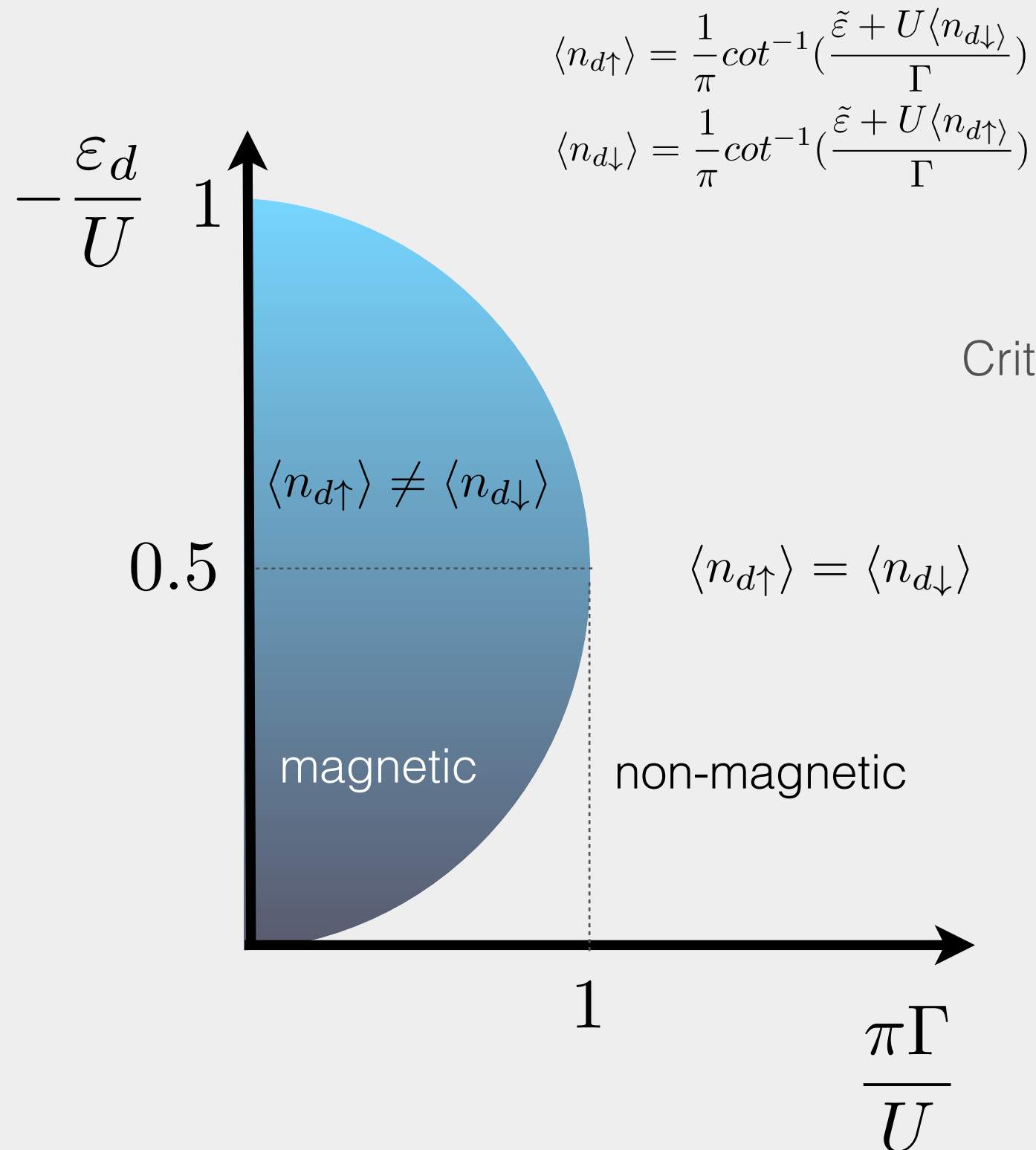
Mean field phase diagram of the Anderson model

$$\langle n_{d\sigma} \rangle = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\omega \operatorname{Im} G_{\sigma}^r(\omega) f_{FD}(\omega)$$

$$\langle n_{d\sigma} \rangle \approx \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{2\Gamma}{(\omega - \tilde{\varepsilon} - U\langle n_{d-\sigma} \rangle)^2 + \Gamma^2}$$

$$\text{selfconsistent solution} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle n_{d\uparrow} \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\tilde{\varepsilon} + U\langle n_{d\downarrow} \rangle}{\Gamma} \right) \\ \langle n_{d\downarrow} \rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\tilde{\varepsilon} + U\langle n_{d\uparrow} \rangle}{\Gamma} \right) \end{array} \right.$$

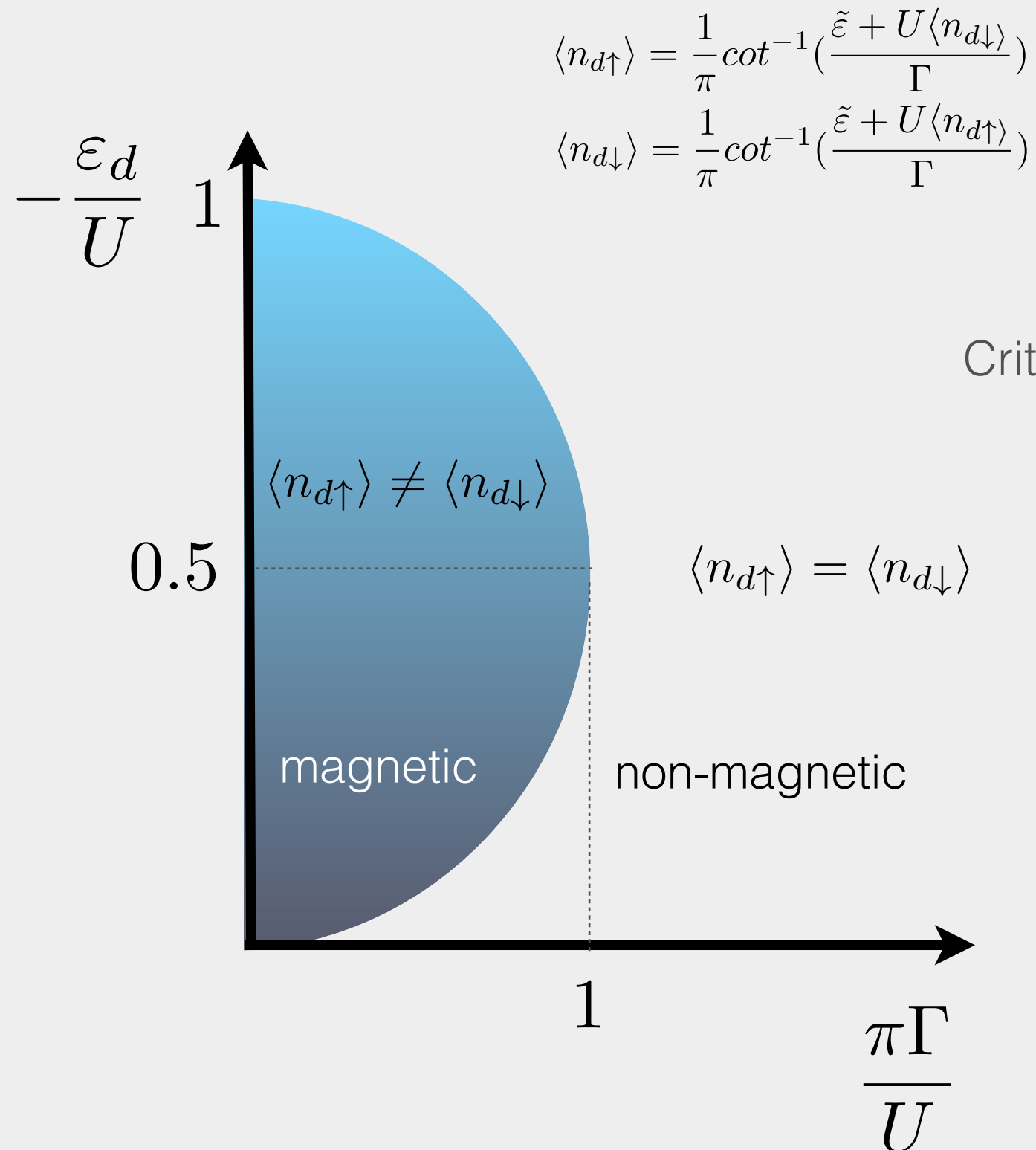
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Criterion for local moment formation at half-filling

$$\frac{\pi\Gamma}{U} < 1$$

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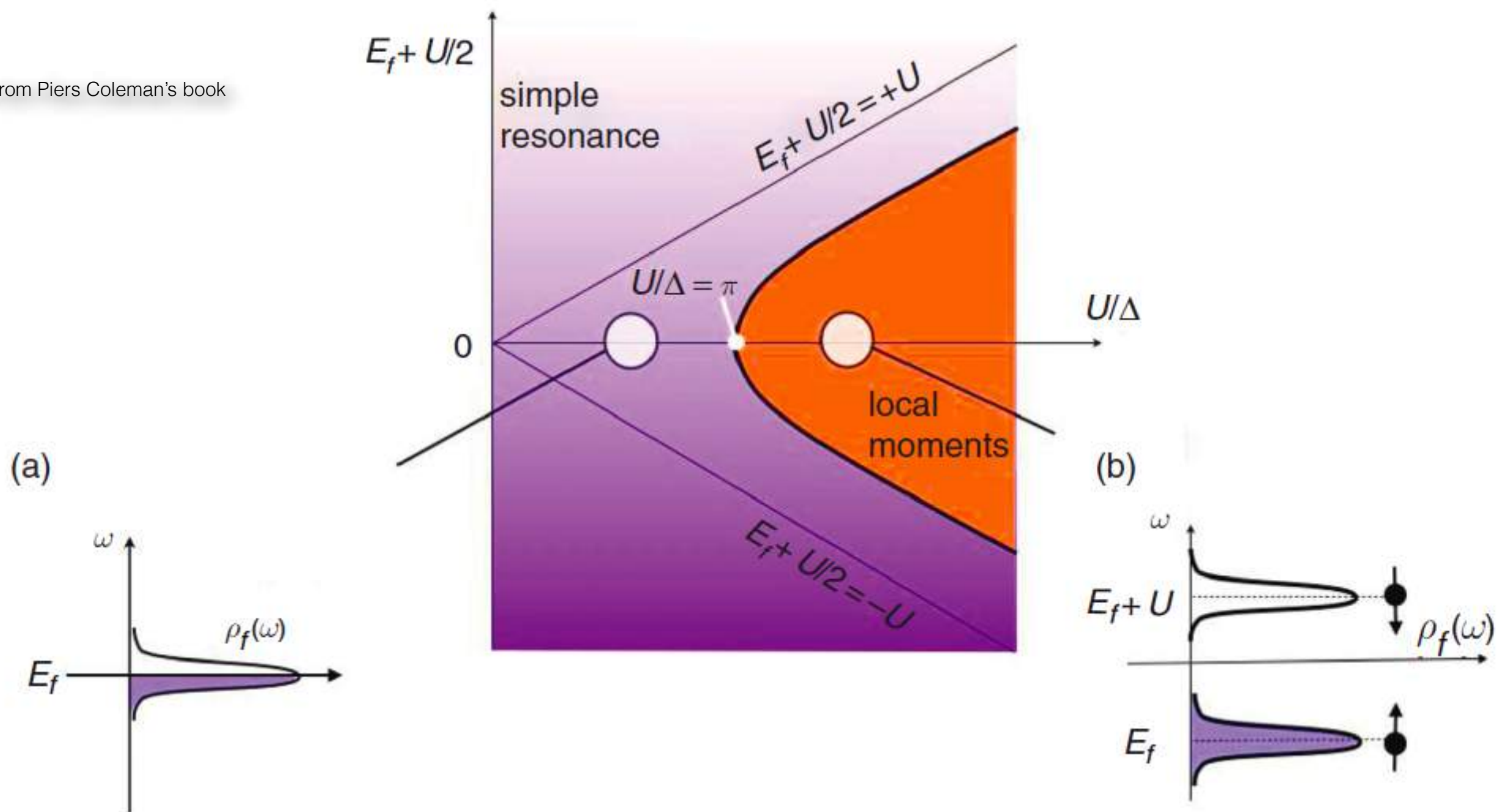


Criterion for local moment formation in general

$$U \rho(\varepsilon_F) > 1$$

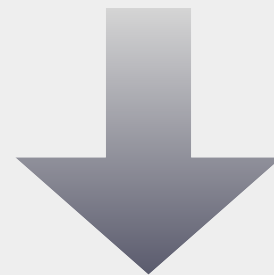
Similar to Stoner's criterion for ferromagnetism

Image from Piers Coleman's book



Deep physical meaning in terms of scattering phase shifts

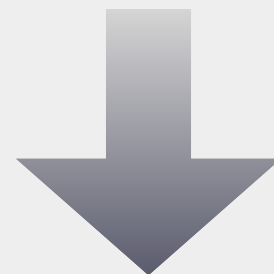
$$G_{kk'}^{\sigma} = \frac{\delta_{kk'}}{\omega - \varepsilon_k + i\eta} + \frac{V_k}{\omega - \varepsilon_k + i\eta} G_{\sigma}^r(\omega) \frac{V_{k'}^*}{\omega - \varepsilon_{k'} + i\eta}$$



T-matrix

$$T_{kk'}^{\sigma}(\omega) = V_k G_{\sigma}^r(\omega) V_{k'}^* \sim e^{2i\delta^{\sigma}(\omega)} - 1$$

$$\text{Im} T_{kk}^{\sigma}(\omega) = -\pi |V_k|^2 \rho^{\sigma}(\omega)$$



Phase shift induced by the impurity

$$\delta^{\sigma}(\omega) = \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_d + U \langle n_{d-\sigma} \rangle - \omega}{\Gamma} \right)$$

Deep physical meaning in terms of scattering phase shifts

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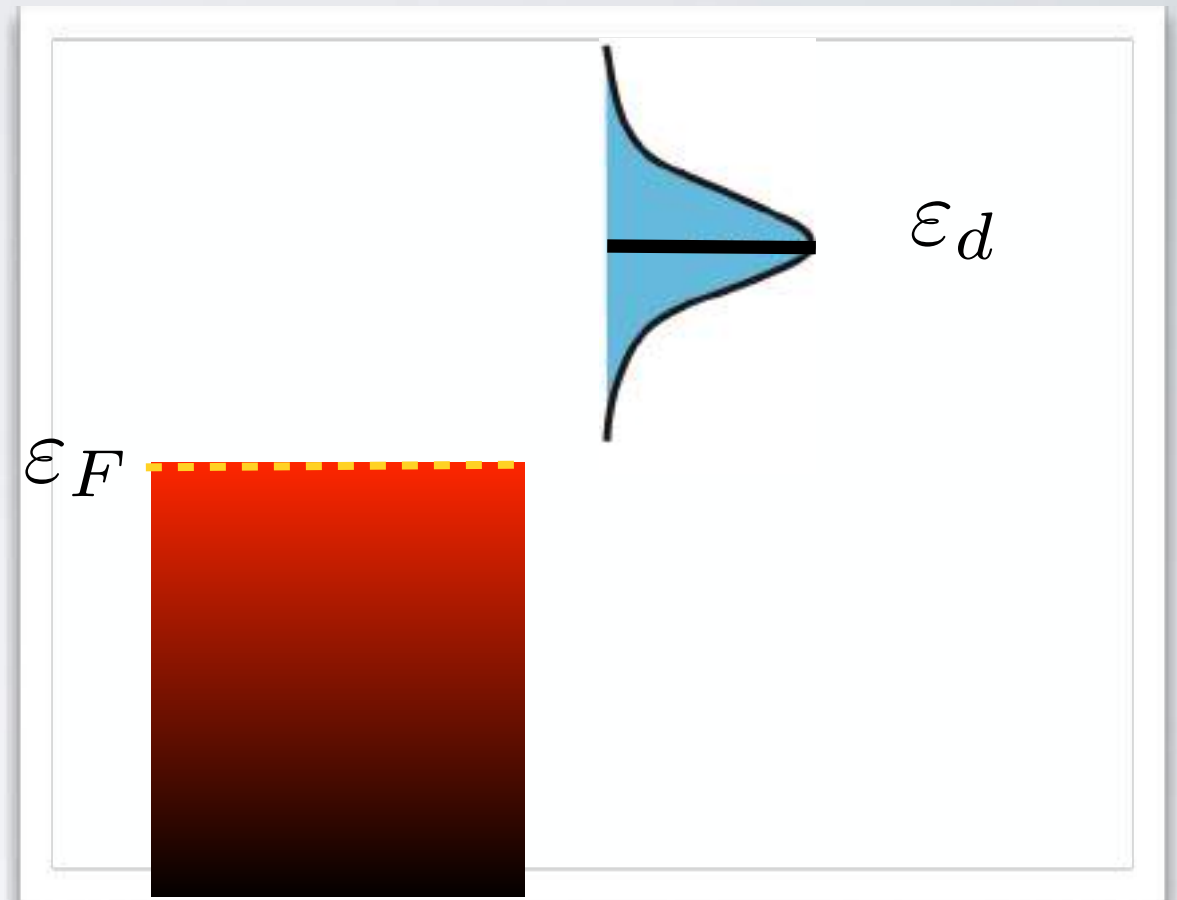
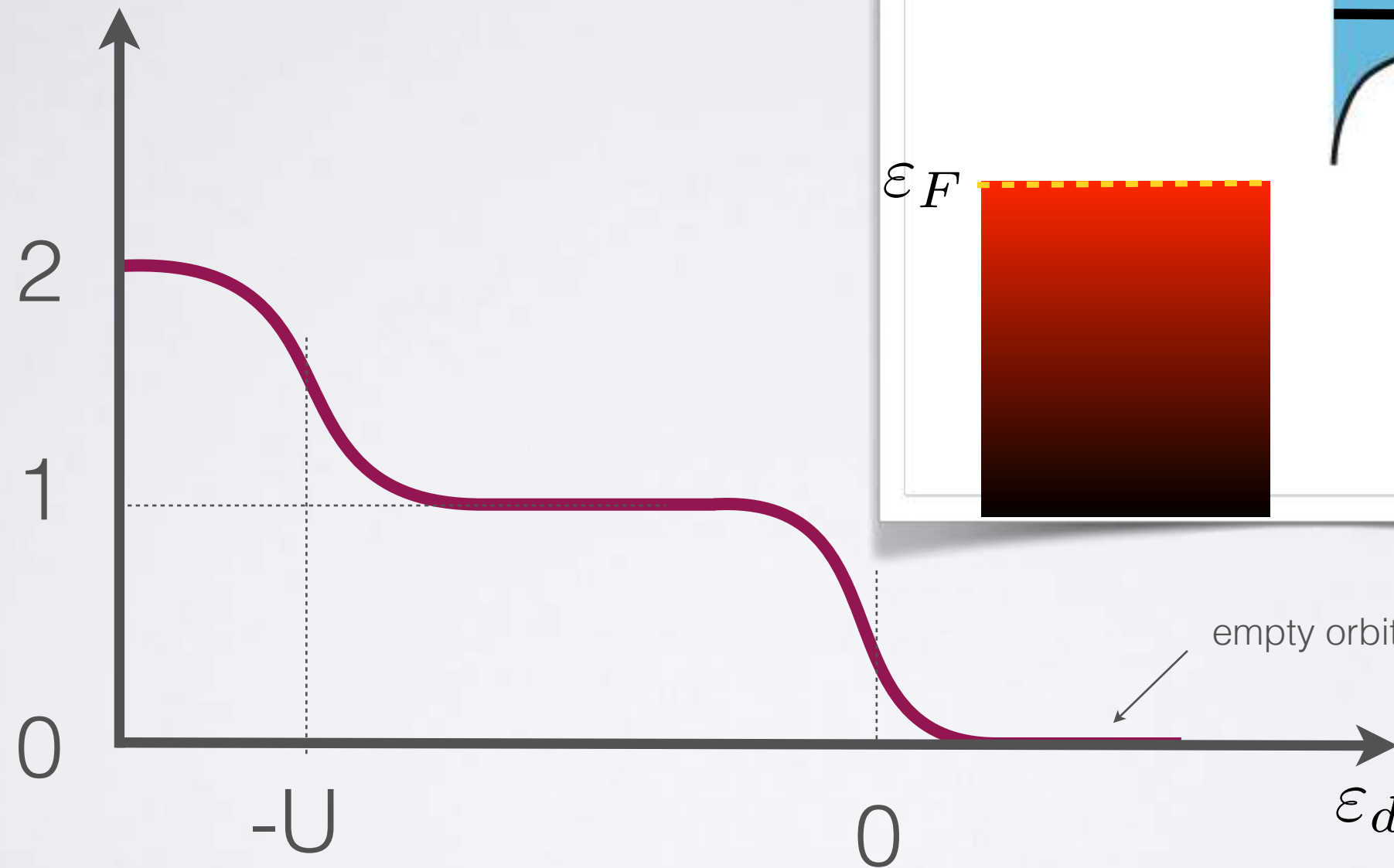
$$\langle n_{d\downarrow}\rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{\tilde{\varepsilon} + U\langle n_{d\uparrow}\rangle}{\Gamma}\right) = \frac{\delta^\downarrow(0)}{\pi}$$

$$\langle n_{d\uparrow}\rangle = \frac{1}{\pi} \cot^{-1}\left(\frac{\tilde{\varepsilon} + U\langle n_{d\downarrow}\rangle}{\Gamma}\right) = \frac{\delta^\uparrow(0)}{\pi}$$

Friedel's sum rule that relates the occupancy of the impurity site and the phase shifts of conduction electrons at the Fermi energy scattering on the impurity.

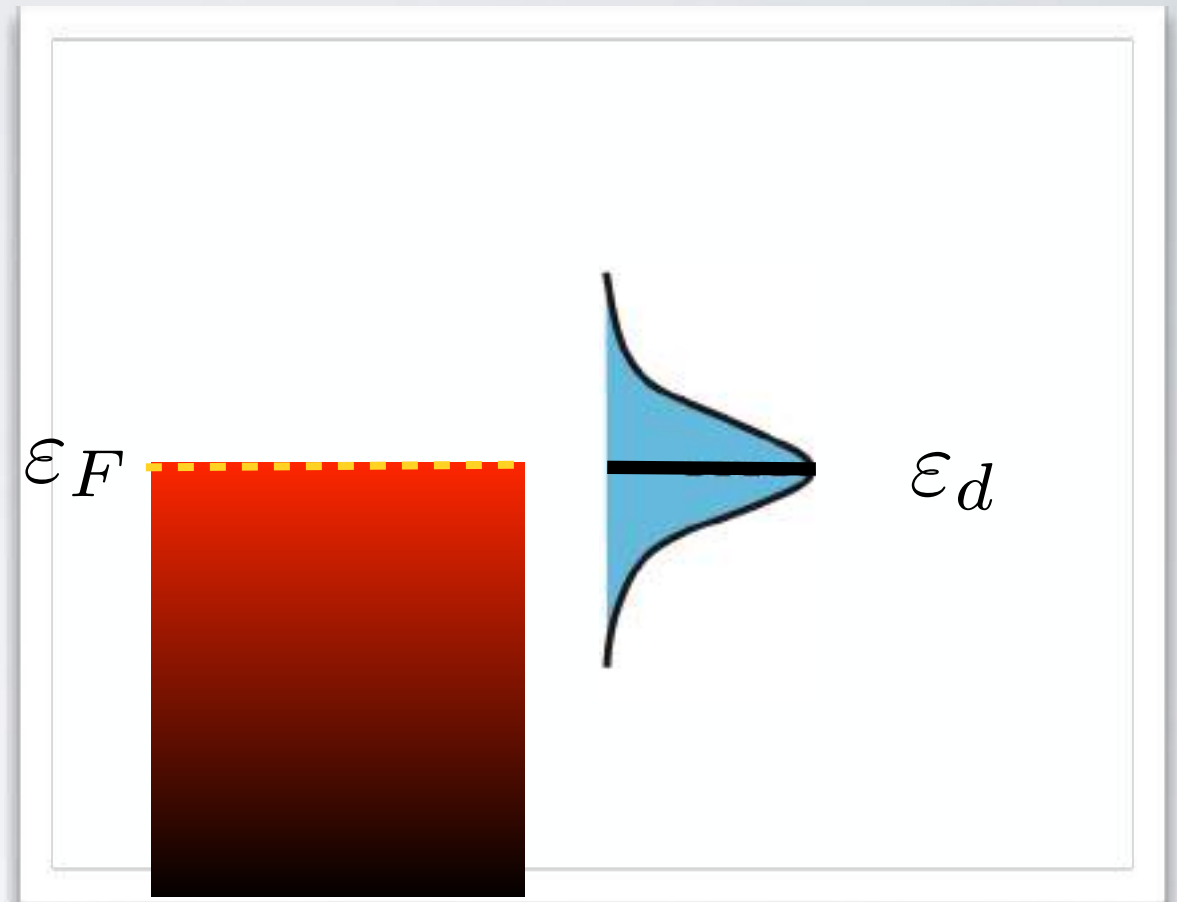
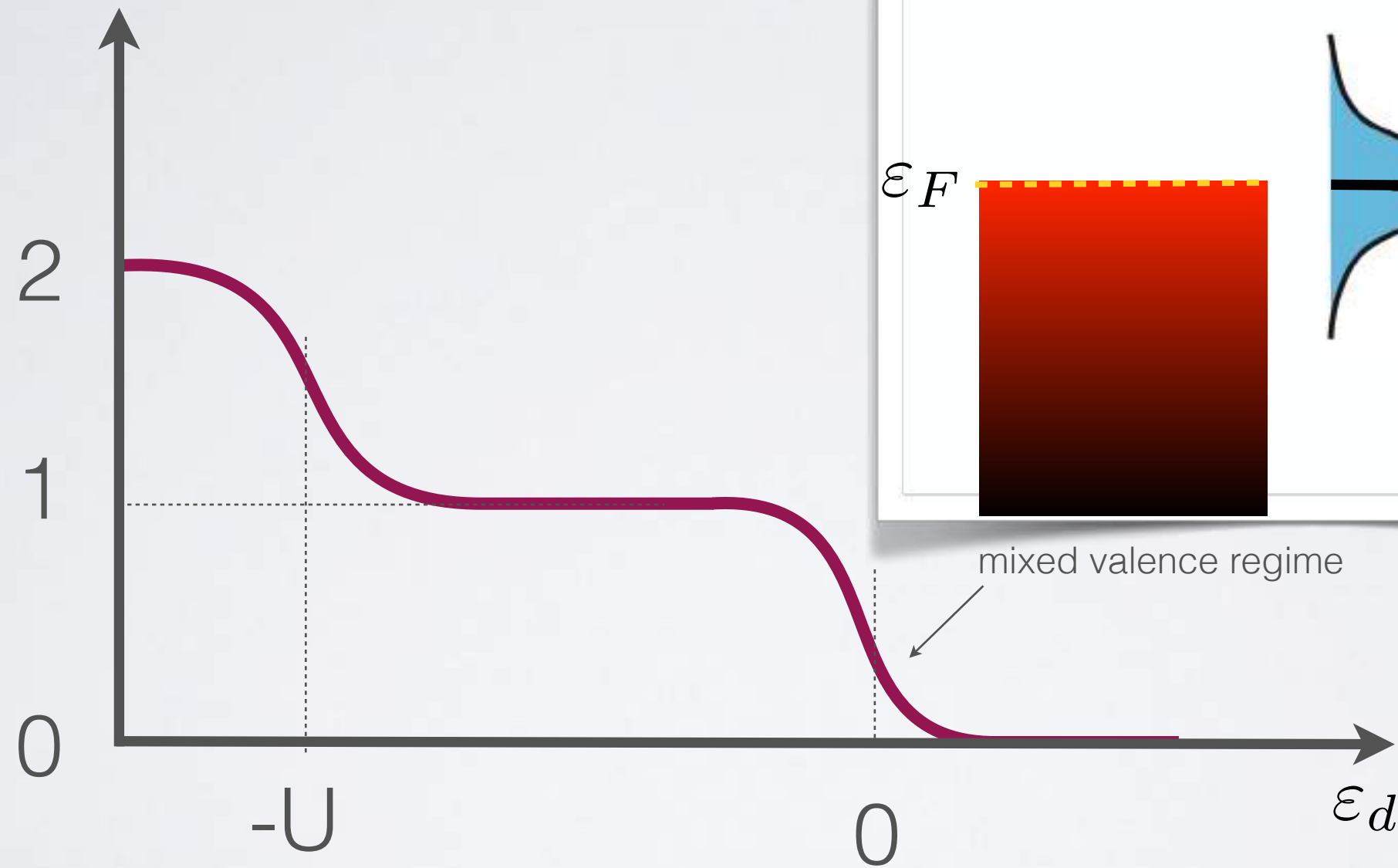
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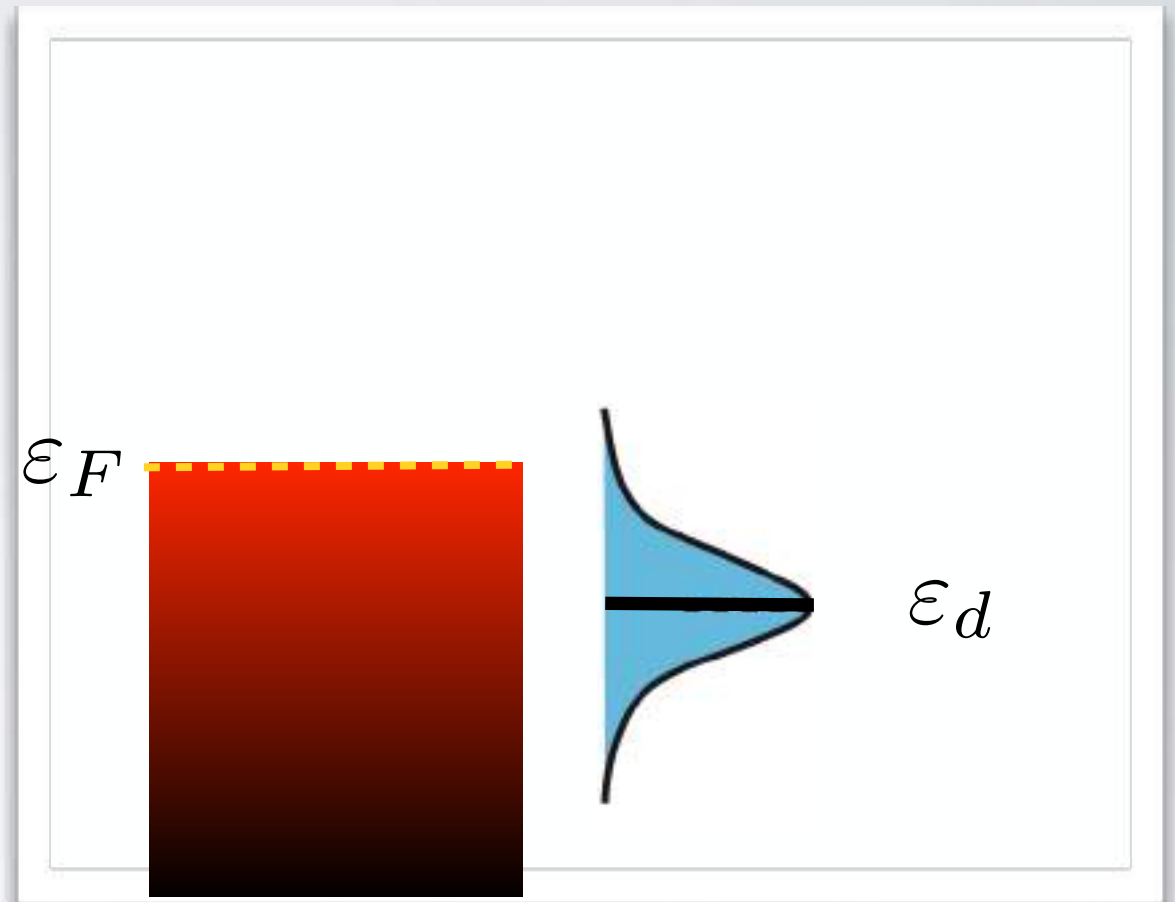
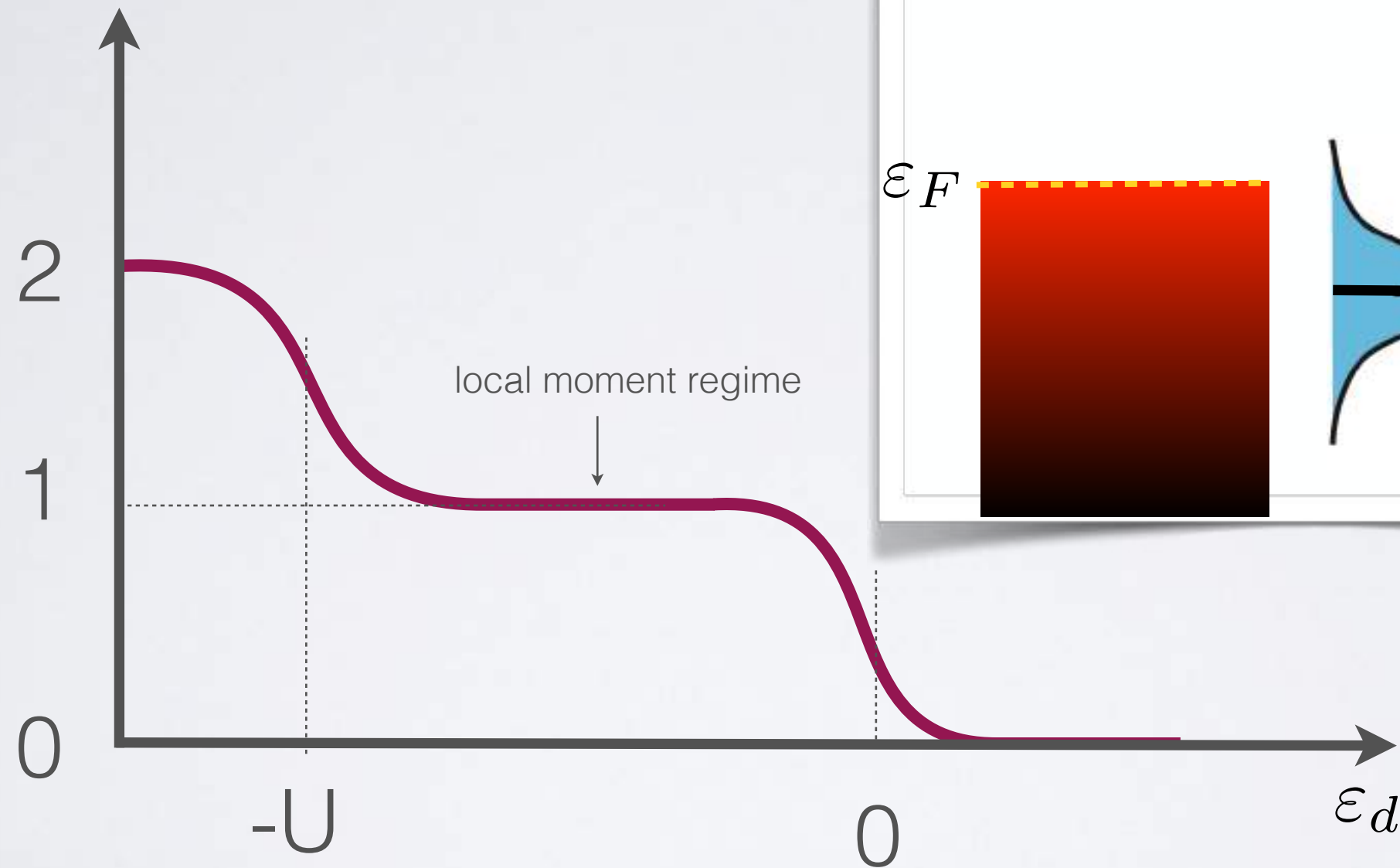
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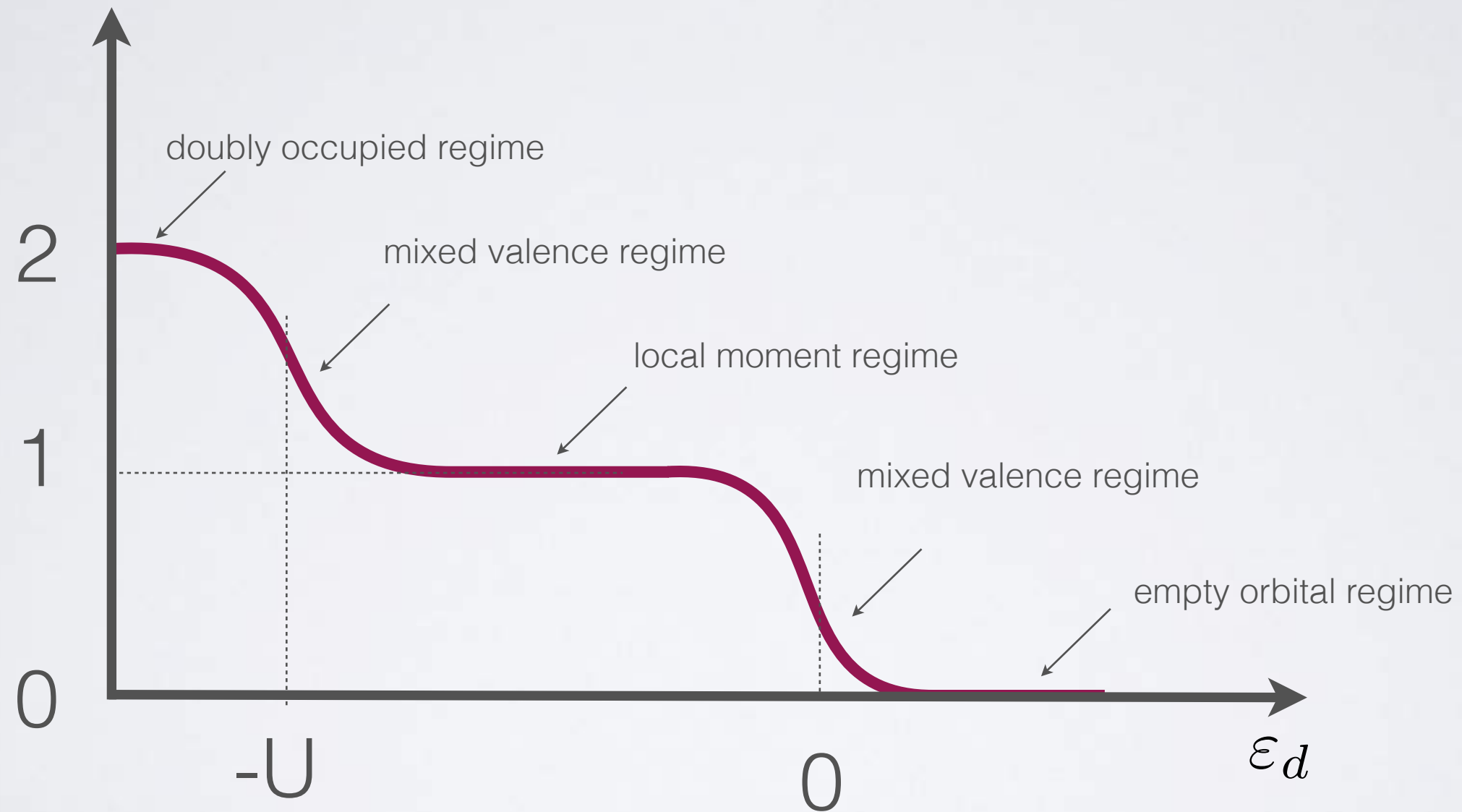
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Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

As we mentioned, the first models describing the interaction of local spins with conduction electrons date back the 1950's. The essence of these models is that an exchange interaction J exists between the local impurity spin and the conduction electrons.

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k\sigma} + J \vec{S} \cdot \vec{s}$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$H = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} + \sum_{k,\sigma} V_{kd} (a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{d\sigma} + a_{d\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma}) + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} \quad \text{versus} \quad H = \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k\sigma} + J \vec{S} \cdot \vec{s}$$

It turns out that both models can be related. The Kondo model is a limiting case of the Anderson model when charge fluctuations are integrated out.

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_d n_{d\sigma} \\
 & + \sum_{k,\sigma} V_{kd} (a_{k\sigma}^\dagger a_{d\sigma} + a_{d\sigma}^\dagger a_{k\sigma}) + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad \longrightarrow \quad
 H = \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k\sigma} + J \vec{S} \cdot \vec{s}$$

The basic idea is the following: second-order virtual processes in the Anderson model that lead to scattering of a conduction electron with a local moment. Such processes have amplitudes

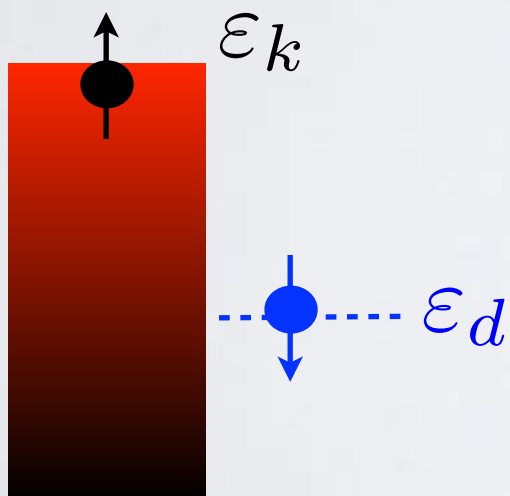
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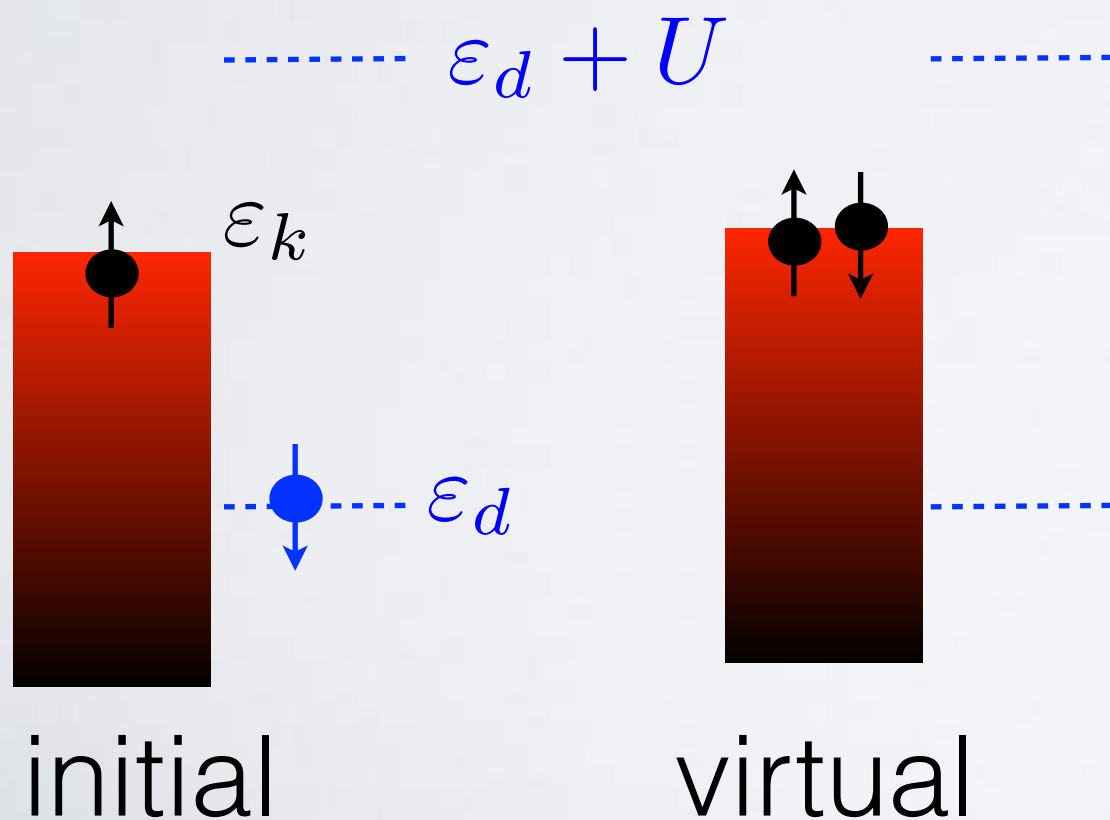
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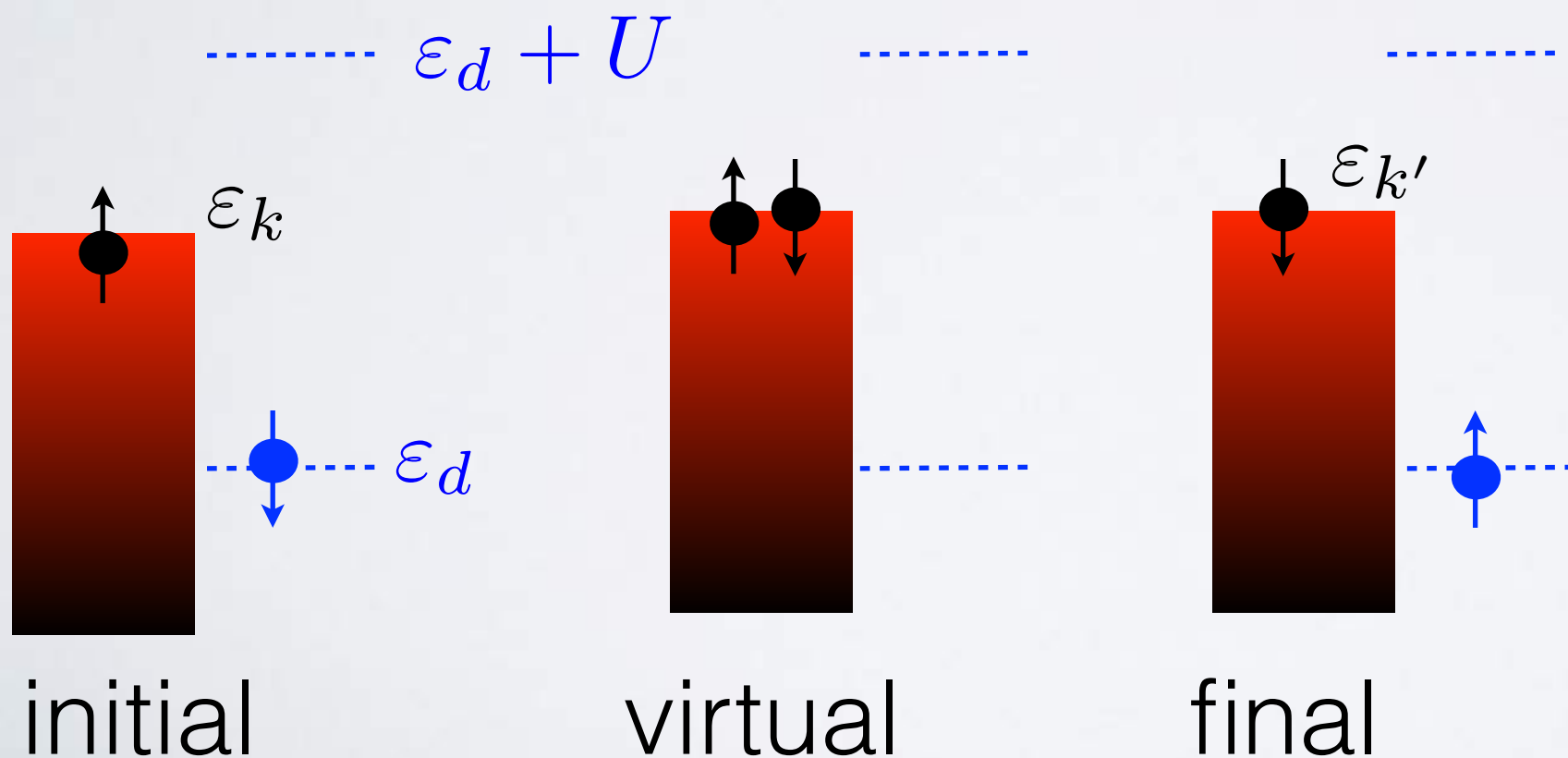


Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$T_{k\uparrow, d\downarrow \rightarrow k'\downarrow, d\uparrow} \sim -V_{kd} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_d} V_{k'd}^*$$

we have exchanged two fermions

$$\varepsilon_k \approx \varepsilon_{k'} \approx 0$$

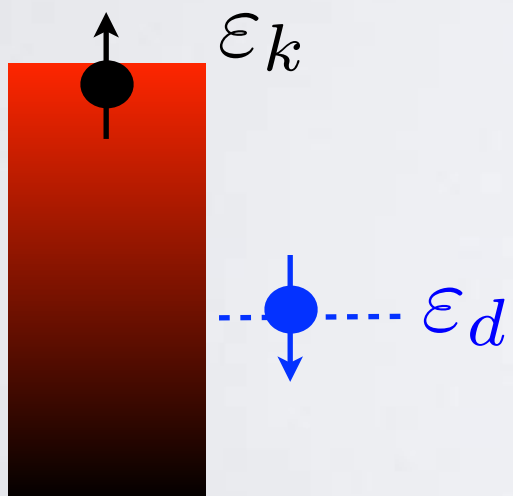


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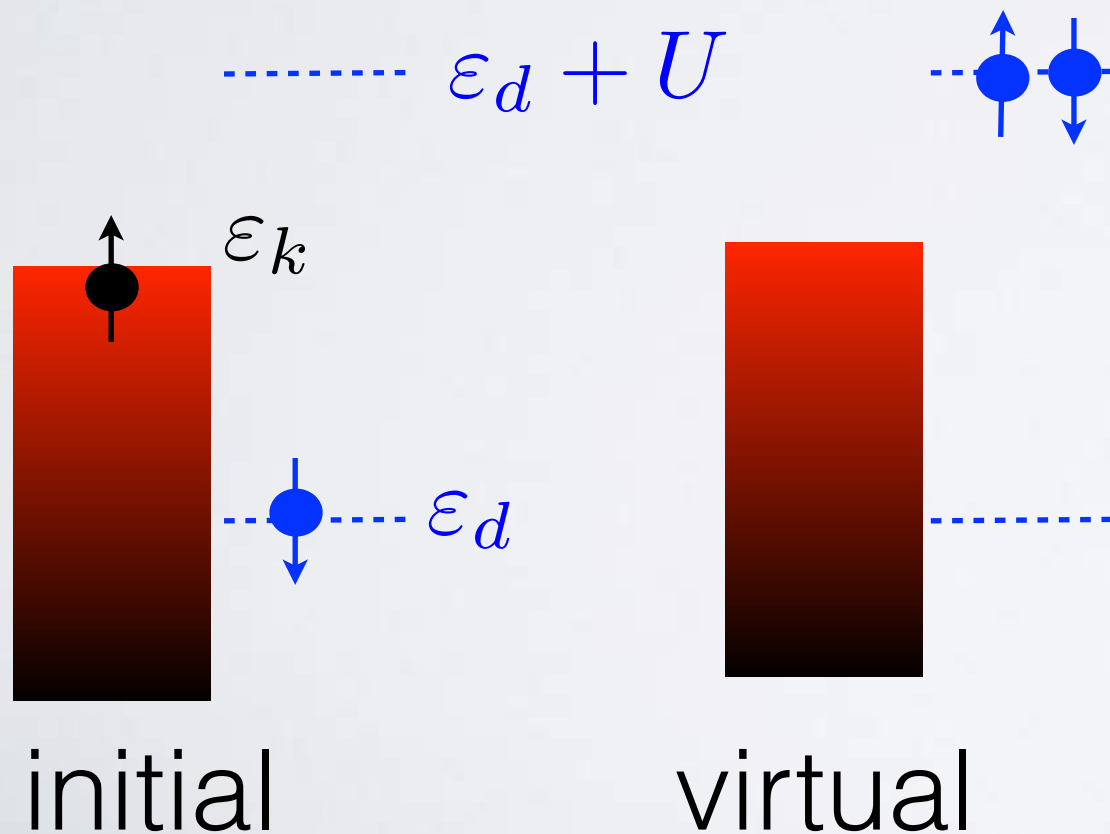
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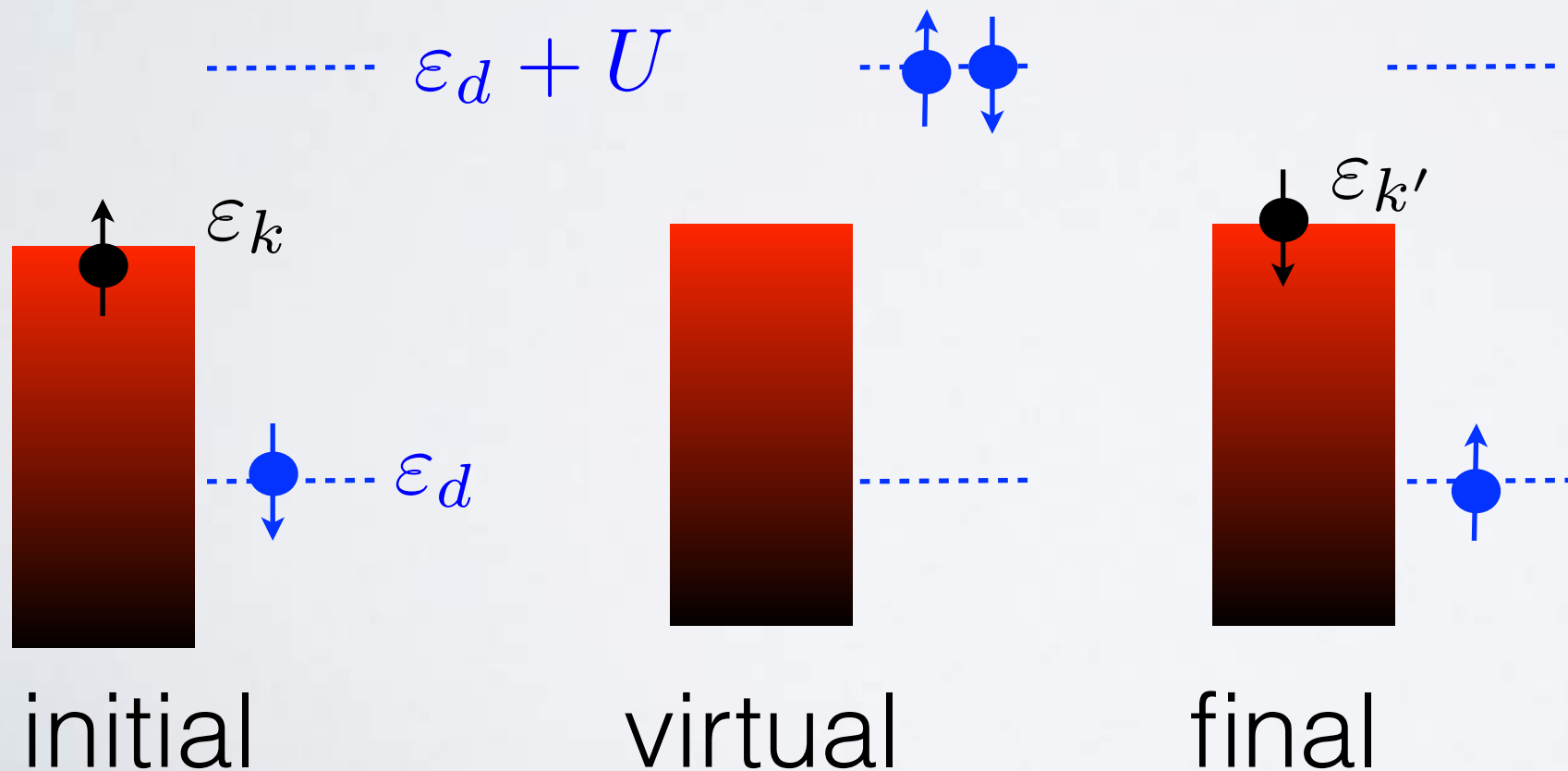


Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$T_{k\uparrow, d\downarrow \rightarrow k'\downarrow, d\uparrow} \sim -V_{kd} \frac{1}{-\varepsilon_d - U} V_{k'd}^*$$

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Spin-flip.

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

Such processes can be formally traced out by a unitary transformation (Schrieffer-Wolff)

$$\tilde{H} = e^S H e^{-S}$$

$$S = \sum_{k\sigma} \frac{V_k}{\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_d - U} n_{-\sigma} (c_{k\sigma}^\dagger d_\sigma - d_\sigma^\dagger c_{k\sigma}) + \frac{V_k}{\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_d} (1 - n_{-\sigma}) (c_{k\sigma}^\dagger d_\sigma - d_\sigma^\dagger c_{k\sigma})$$

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Relation between the Anderson and Kondo Hamiltonians

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A canonical transformation is used to relate the Anderson model of a localized magnetic moment in a dilute alloy to that of Kondo. In the limit of small s - d mixing, which is the most favorable case for the occurrence of a moment, the two models are shown to be equivalent. The Anderson model thus has low-temperature anomalies similar to those previously discussed for the Kondo model.

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$J_{kk'} = 2V_{kd}V_{k'd}^* \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_d - U} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_d - \varepsilon_{k'}} \right)$$

$$\varepsilon_k \approx \varepsilon_{k'} \approx 0$$

$$J_{eff} = 2|V_{kd}|^2 \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_d} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_d + U} \right) = \frac{2\Gamma}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_d} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_d + U} \right)$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

Kondo showed that a logarithmic correction appears in a perturbative expansion in terms of J (Prog. Theor. Phys. **32**, 37, 1964).

$$H_K = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k,\sigma} - \sum_{k,k'} \frac{J_{kk'}}{\hbar^2} (\Psi_{k'}^\dagger S \Psi_k) \cdot (\Psi_d^\dagger S \Psi_d)$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$\Psi_k = \begin{pmatrix} a_{k\uparrow} \\ a_{k\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Psi_d = \begin{pmatrix} a_{d\uparrow} \\ a_{d\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}$$

Conduction electrons

$$H_K = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k,\sigma} - \sum_{k,k'} \frac{J_{kk'}}{\hbar^2} (\Psi_{k'}^\dagger S \Psi_k) (\Psi_d^\dagger S \Psi_d)$$

Impurity

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

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$$\begin{aligned} S_x &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ S_y &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ S_z &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

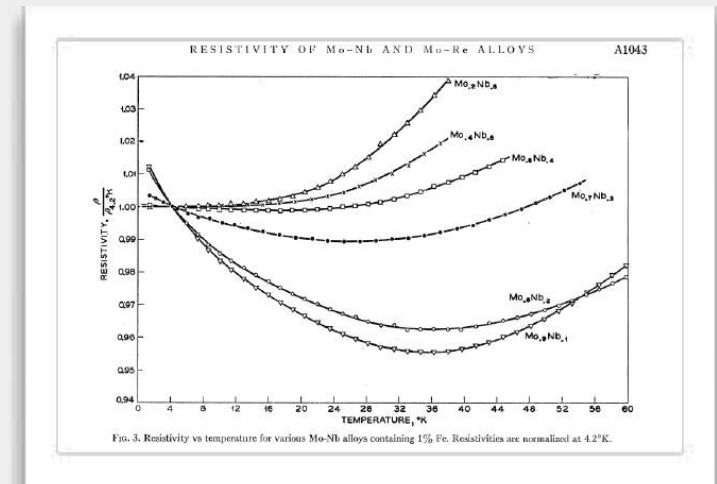
$$xx = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \sum_{k,k'} (c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k\downarrow} + c_{k'\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}) (a_{d\uparrow}^\dagger a_{d\downarrow} + a_{d\downarrow}^\dagger a_{d\uparrow})$$

$$yy = \frac{-\hbar^2}{4} \sum_{k,k'} (c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k\downarrow} - c_{k'\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}) (a_{d\uparrow}^\dagger a_{d\downarrow} - a_{d\downarrow}^\dagger a_{d\uparrow})$$

$$zz = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \sum_{k,k'} (c_{k'\uparrow}^\dagger c_{k\downarrow} - c_{k'\downarrow}^\dagger c_{k\uparrow}) (a_{d\uparrow}^\dagger a_{d\downarrow} - a_{d\downarrow}^\dagger a_{d\uparrow})$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$H_K = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k,\sigma} - \sum_{k,k'} \frac{J_{kk'}}{\hbar^2} (\Psi_{k'}^\dagger S \Psi_k) \cdot (\Psi_d^\dagger S \Psi_d)$$



Remember: the goal was to calculate the resistivity minimum.
Linear response theory tells us that we need essentially the T-matrix of the problem

$$\sigma = \frac{ne^2}{m} \tau(k_F)$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau(k)} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} W_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} (1 - \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}) \delta(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}'})$$

$$W_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} = \frac{2\pi N_{imp}}{\hbar} |T_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}|^2$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

Compact notation

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} J_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} (S^+ a_{\mathbf{k}, \downarrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}', \uparrow} + S^- a_{\mathbf{k}, \uparrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}', \downarrow} + S^z (a_{\mathbf{k}, \uparrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}', \uparrow} - a_{\mathbf{k}, \downarrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}', \downarrow}))$$

Lowest order (Born approximation)

$$\langle \mathbf{k}, \uparrow | T | \mathbf{k}', \uparrow \rangle_{(1)} = \langle \mathbf{k}, \uparrow | H | \mathbf{k}', \uparrow \rangle = J_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} S^z$$

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$$|T_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}|^2 = |J_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}|^2 (2S_z^2 + S^+ S^- + S^- S^+)$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

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$$\frac{1}{\tau(k)} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} W_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} (1 - \cos\theta_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}) \delta(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}'})$$

Temperature independent

$$\frac{1}{\tau(k_F)} = \frac{3\pi c_{imp} n J^2}{2\varepsilon_F \hbar} S(S+1)$$

$$c_{imp} = \frac{N_{imp}}{N_s}$$

$$n = \frac{p_F^3}{3\pi^2 \hbar^3}$$

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

Compact notation

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The next order generates many contributions

$$\langle \mathbf{k}, \sigma | T | \mathbf{k}', \sigma' \rangle_{(2)} = \langle \mathbf{k}, \sigma | H \frac{1}{\varepsilon - H_0 + i\eta} H | \mathbf{k}', \sigma' \rangle$$

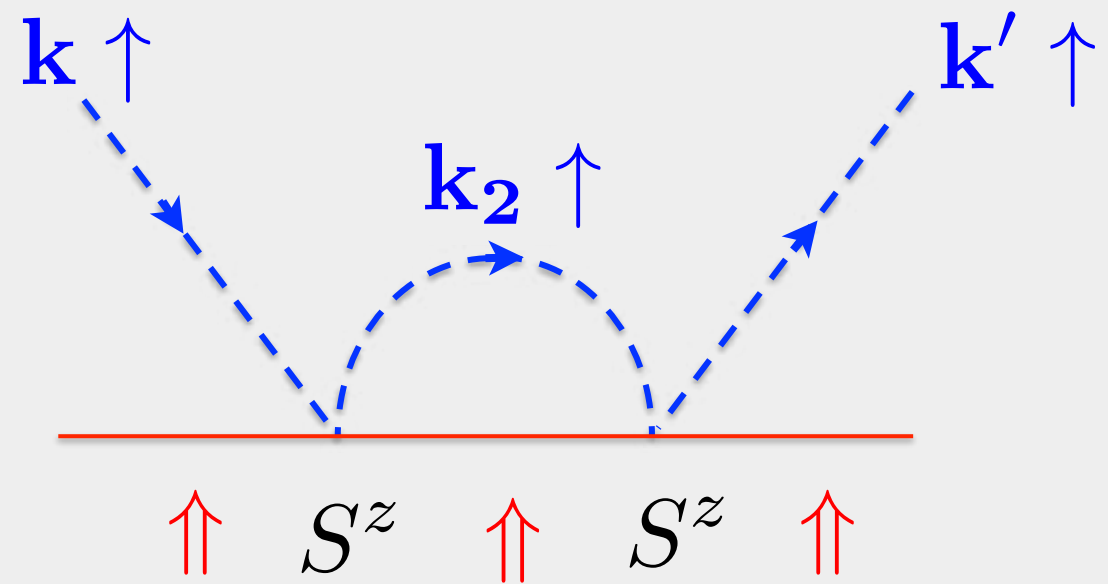
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Longitudinal terms

$$J^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}'_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}'_2} \langle \mathbf{k}', \uparrow | S^z a_{\mathbf{k}_1 \uparrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}'_1 \uparrow} \frac{1}{\varepsilon - H_0 + i\eta} S^z a_{\mathbf{k}_2 \uparrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}'_2 \uparrow} | \mathbf{k}, \uparrow \rangle$$

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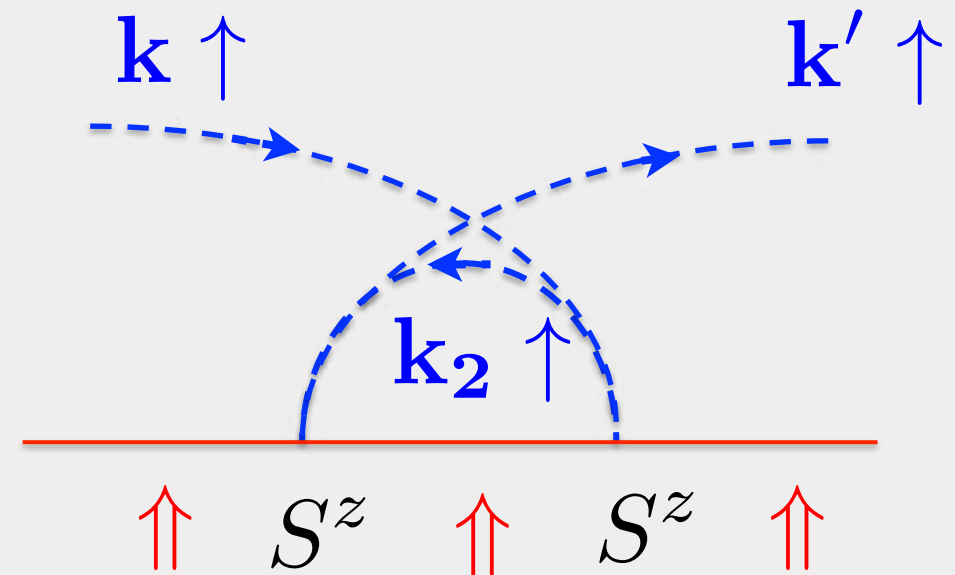
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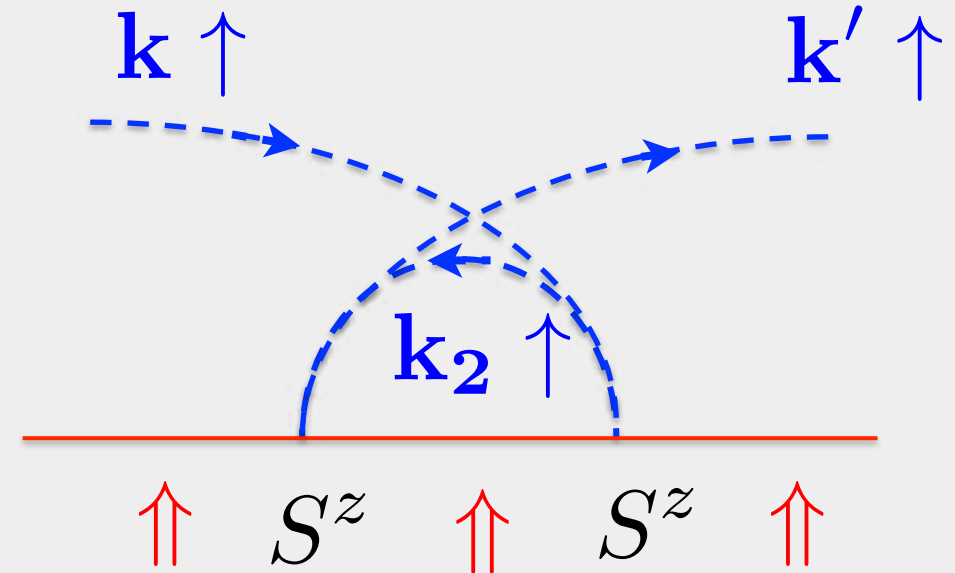
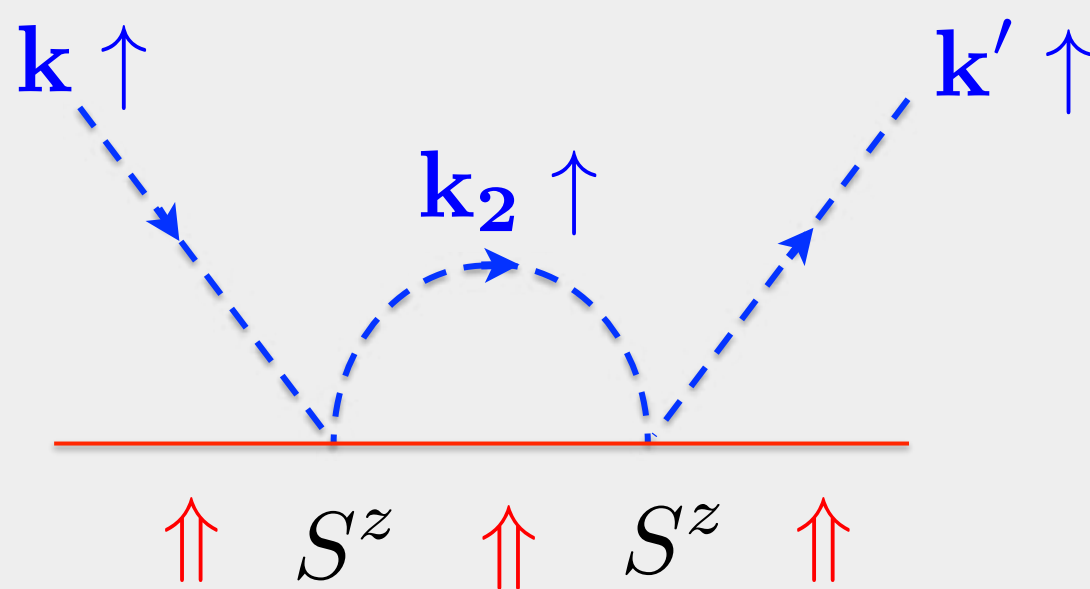
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Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

Longitudinal terms



$$J^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}_2} S^z S^z \frac{(1 - f(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2}))}{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2} + i\eta)} + J^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}_2} S^z S^z \frac{f(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2})}{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2} + i\eta)}$$

When we add both terms the fermi distribution cancels out: the final probability does not depend on the occupation of intermediate states and hence on temperature.

$$J^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}_2} S^z S^z \frac{1}{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}_2} + i\eta)}$$

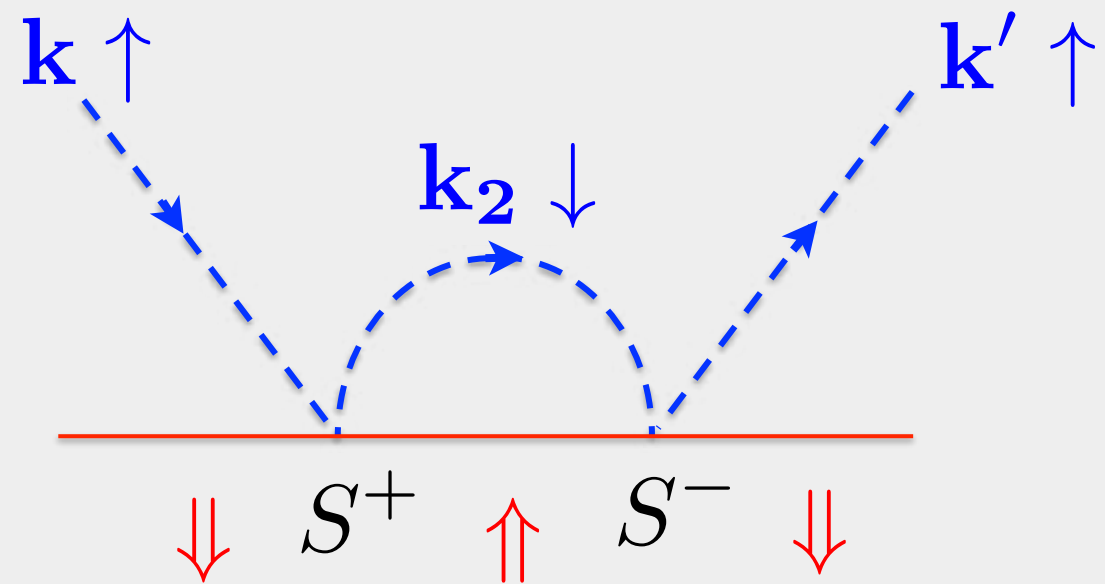
Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

Transverse terms

$$J^2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}'_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}'_2} \langle \mathbf{k}', \uparrow | S^- a_{\mathbf{k}_1 \uparrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}'_1 \downarrow} \frac{1}{\varepsilon - H_0 + i\eta} S^+ a_{\mathbf{k}_2 \downarrow}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}'_2 \uparrow} | \mathbf{k}, \uparrow \rangle$$

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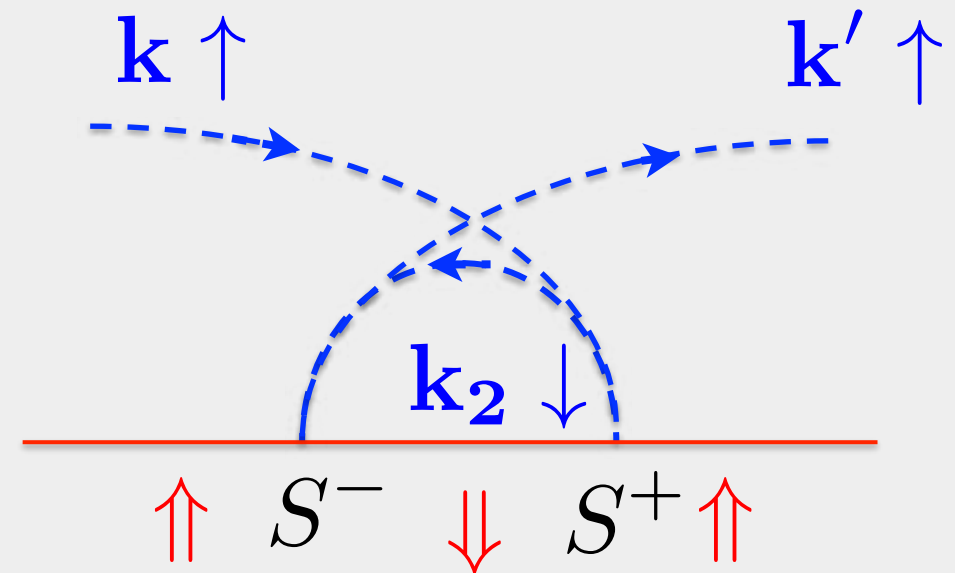


Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

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Very important: spin flips DO NOT commute

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Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

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This lack of commutativity , combined with the restriction of the allowed occupancy of the intermediates states arising from Pauli principle, leads to a nontrivial temperature dependence of the scattering amplitudes.

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$\sum_{\mathbf{p}'} \frac{f(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}'}) - \frac{1}{2}}{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}'}} = \int d\varepsilon \rho(\varepsilon) \frac{f(\varepsilon) - \frac{1}{2}}{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} - \varepsilon} = \frac{1}{2} \rho(0) \int_{-D}^D d\varepsilon \frac{\tanh(\frac{\varepsilon}{2k_B T})}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}}}$$

$$\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} \ll k_B T \rightarrow \approx \rho(0) \int_{k_B T}^D \frac{d\varepsilon}{\varepsilon} = \rho(0) \ln \frac{D}{k_B T}$$

Logarithmic divergences

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$\frac{1}{\tau(k_F)} = \frac{3\pi c_{imp} n J^2}{2\varepsilon_F \hbar} S(S+1)$$



$$\frac{1}{\tau(p)} = \frac{3\pi c_{imp} n J^2}{2\varepsilon_F \hbar} S(S+1) \left(1 + \frac{4J}{N_s} \sum_{\mathbf{p}'} \frac{f(\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}'}) - \frac{1}{2}}{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}'}} \right) + O(J^4)$$

Logarithmic divergences

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$R = \frac{3\pi c_{imp} m J^2}{2e^2 \hbar \varepsilon_F} S(S+1) \left(1 - 4J\rho(0) \ln \frac{k_B T}{D}\right) + O(J^4)$$

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$$R(T) = AT^5 - B \ln \frac{k_B T}{D}$$

If we add the phonon term, Kondo's calculation explains the resistance minimum.

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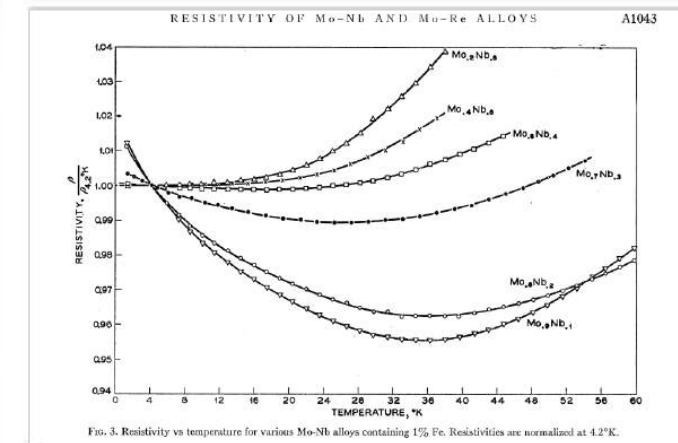
Resistance Minimum in Dilute Magnetic Alloys

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Based on the s - d interaction model for dilute magnetic alloys we have calculated the scattering probability of the conduction electrons to the second Born approximation. Because of the dynamical character of the localized spin system, the Pauli principle should be taken into account in the intermediate states of the second order terms. Thus the effect of the Fermi sphere is involved in the scattering probability and gives rise to a singular term in the resistivity which involves $c \log T$ as a factor, where c is the concentration of impurity atoms. When combined with the lattice resistivity, this gives rise to a resistance minimum, provided the s - d exchange integral J is negative. The temperature at which the minimum occurs is proportional to $c^{1/5}$.



Quenching of local moments: the Kondo problem

$$\frac{1}{\tau(p)} = \frac{3\pi c_{imp} n J^2}{2\varepsilon_F \hbar} S(S+1) (1 + 4J\rho(0) \ln \frac{D}{\max(|\varepsilon_p|, k_B T)})$$

Physics behind the divergence at low temperatures:

- the magnetic impurity causes a dramatic increase of the scattering rate near the Fermi energy. This is remarkable as the Fermi energy is not an energy scale associated with the impurity.
- **Emergent scale at low energies**

Quenching of local moments: Kondo's calculation

$$R = \frac{3\pi m J^2}{2e^2 \hbar \varepsilon_F} S(S+1) \left(1 - 4J\rho(0) \ln \frac{k_B T}{D}\right)$$

- More relevant: the resistivity diverges as $T \rightarrow 0$

The solution of this Non-perturbative problem is what is known as the **Kondo problem**. More than three decades of theory work towards solving this problem helped to develop a great deal of strongly correlated electron techniques.

- Scaling: Anderson 60's
- Numerical renormalization group: Wilson 70's, Nobel prize.
- Fermi liquid: Langreth, Nozieres, 70's
- Exact solutions by Bethe Ansatz: Andrei, Wiegman, 80's
- 1/N expansions 80's, 90's
- Non-equilibrium properties, 2000-present

Quenching of local moments: the Kondo problem

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Physics behind the divergence at low temperatures:

- the magnetic impurity causes a dramatic increase of the scattering rate near the Fermi energy. This is remarkable as the Fermi energy is not an energy scale associated with the impurity.
- The fact that such anomalous enhancement of the scattering rate is tied to the Fermi energy plays a key role in the analysis of the Kondo problem.

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We will discuss how this enhanced scattering rate is tied to a non-trivial energy dependence of the phase shift (optical theorem) and, hence, via the Friedel sum rule to **an enhanced density of states near the Fermi energy**.

Kondo resonance

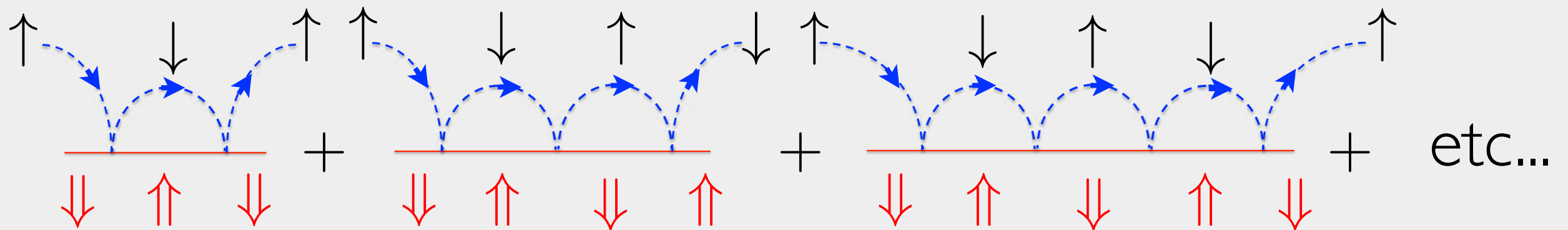


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Theoretical challenge, spins do not commute so standard Wick's decoupling in diagrammatics can NOT be applied.

Trick: represent spins as fermions+constraint (Abrikosov Fermions), first use of slave particles.

$$\vec{S} = f_{\alpha}^{\dagger} \left(\frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \right)_{\alpha\beta} f_{\beta}$$

$$|\sigma\rangle = f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} |0\rangle$$

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The projection can be performed by using the Popov-Fedatov complex chemical potential

$$\mu = -i\pi\frac{T}{2}$$

$$G(i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu} \rightarrow \frac{1}{i\omega_n - i\pi\frac{T}{2}} = \frac{1}{2\pi iT(n + \frac{1}{4})}$$

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The logarithm is now in the denominator due to the summation of a geometric series (infinite subset of diagrams)

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For ferromagnetic coupling $J < 0$, the zero temperature limit is well defined and we recover the Curie limit of a free impurity

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For antiferromagnetic coupling $J>0$, this expression diverges now at finite temperature!

$$k_B T = D e^{-\frac{1}{2J\rho(0)}}$$



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resolve these difficulties we must investigate higher order terms. Suhl²⁾ and Nagaoka³⁾ have undertaken such investigations. They have set up fairly rigorous equations. Although they have not yet reached the exact self-consistent solutions, Suhl has pointed out that the logarithmic divergence is replaced by a resonance scattering.

Non-divergent summations beyond Abrikosov's were done essentially at the same time by Suhl and Nagaoka in 1965.

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s-d Scattering at Low Temperatures

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Based on a simple model which can be solved exactly, the electrical resistivity due to the *s-d* interaction in dilute alloys has been found to be expressed by

$$[\pi^3 S(S+1)ch/ze^2k_F][\{\log(T/T_0)\}^2 + (\pi/2)^2]^{-1},$$

where $kT_0 \sim \epsilon_F e^{1/2J\rho}$, for both signs of *J*. From this we draw four conclusions as follows;

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- An interesting physical picture starts to emerge: non-perturbative effects give rise to resonant scattering near the Fermi energy.
- Strictly speaking, the **“Kondo resonance”** should be called Abrikosov-Suhl-Nagaoka resonance!!

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The nature of the ground state of the problem was first worked out by Yosida (Physical Review 147, 223, 1966) who understood, using a variational wave function approach, that **this resonance comes from a singlet ground state between the impurity and the conduction electrons.**

Breakthrough: Anderson's scaling ideas

(the art of projecting out unwanted high-energy scales)

- Essentially, the idea of Anderson's "poor man's scaling" is to integrate out degrees of freedom far away from the Fermi level, thereby reducing the bandwidth D .
- In this way, the argument $k_B T/D$ of the divergent logarithm will be reduced, and the divergence becomes weaker. Upon integrating out these degrees of freedom, one has to adapt, or "renormalize" the important coupling parameters of the theory.
- This is essentially an equivalent way of re-arranging perturbation theory similar to Abrikosov's non-perturbative result.
- First use of renormalisation ideas (before they became successful in high energy physics).



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$$T(\varepsilon) = V + V \frac{1}{\varepsilon - H_0} V + \dots = V + V \frac{1}{\varepsilon - H_0} T(\varepsilon) \quad -D < \varepsilon < D$$

What is the goal?

$T(\varepsilon)$ remains invariant when $V \rightarrow \tilde{V}$
 $H_0 \rightarrow \tilde{H}_0$ as high-energy states are removed

$$D \rightarrow \tilde{D} = D - \delta D$$

$$T(\varepsilon) = \tilde{V} + \tilde{V} \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \tilde{H}_0} T(\varepsilon)$$

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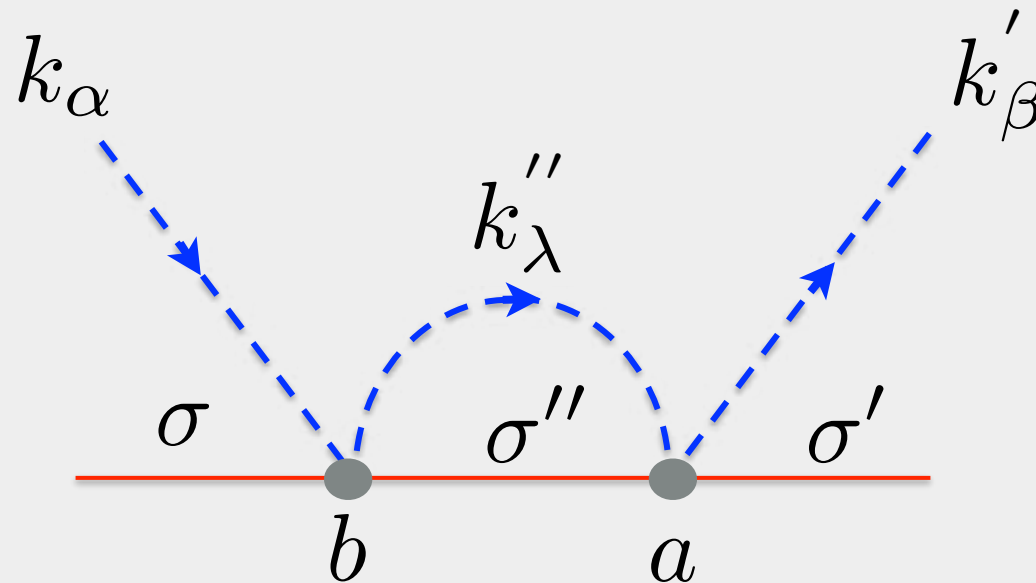
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$$H = J(D) \sum_{|\epsilon_k|, |\epsilon'_k| < D} c_{k\alpha}^\dagger \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{k'\beta} \cdot \vec{S}$$

$$T_{ab}(E) = \sum_{\lambda \in [D', D]} \frac{H_{a\lambda} H_{\lambda b}}{E - E_\lambda}$$

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Scattering into a high energy electron state

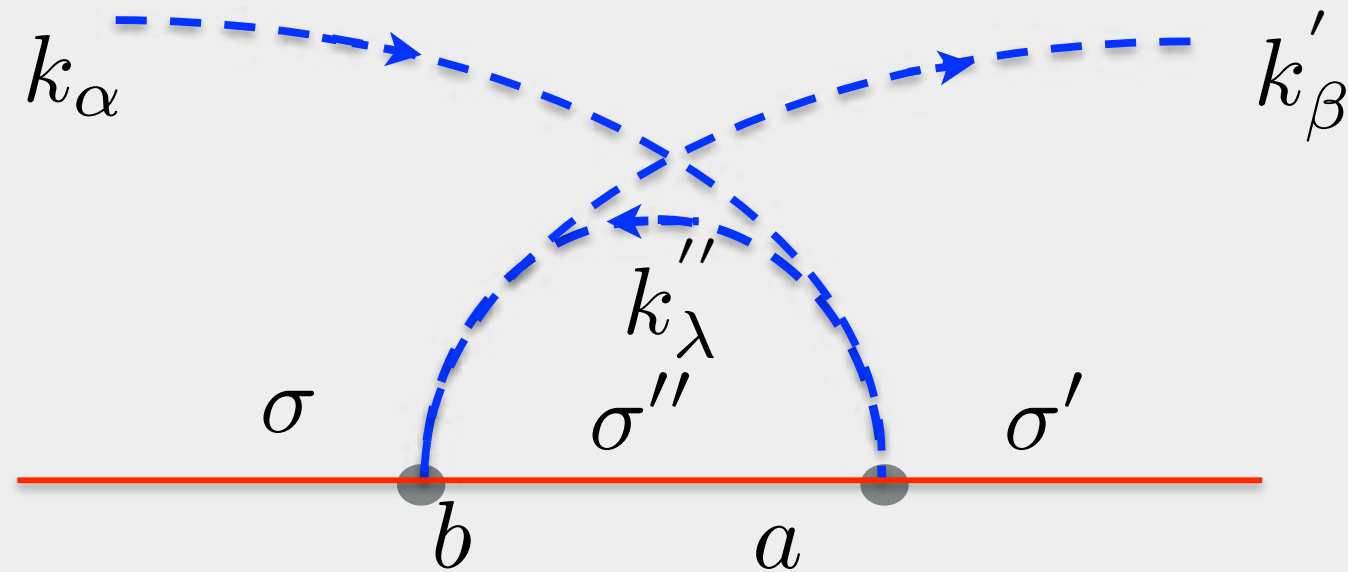
$$T(E)_{k'\beta\sigma',k\alpha\sigma} = J^2 \sum_{\epsilon_{k''} \in [D-\delta D, D]} \left[\frac{1}{E - \epsilon_{k''}} \right] (\sigma\sigma^b)_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma}$$



$$T(E)_{k'\beta\sigma',k\alpha\sigma} \approx J^2 \rho \delta D \left[\frac{1}{E - D} \right] (\sigma\sigma^b)_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma}$$

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Scattering into a high energy hole state

$$T(E)_{k'\beta\sigma',k\alpha\sigma} = -J^2 \sum_{\epsilon''_k \in [-D, -D+\delta D]} \left[\frac{1}{E - (\epsilon_k + \epsilon'_k - \epsilon''_k)} \right] (\sigma^b \sigma^a)_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma}$$



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adding both terms

$$T(E)_{k'\beta\sigma',k\alpha\sigma} = -J^2 \rho \frac{|\delta D|}{D} [\sigma^a, \sigma^b]_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma}$$



$$T(E)_{k'\beta\sigma',k\alpha\sigma} = 2J^2 \rho \frac{|\delta D|}{D} \vec{\sigma}_{\beta\alpha} \cdot \vec{S}_{\sigma,\sigma'}$$

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$g = 0$ is a fixed point

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$$g(D') = \frac{g_0}{1 - 2g_0 \ln(D_0/D')}$$

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Ferromagnetic case

$$g(D') = - \frac{|g_0|}{1 + 2|g_0|\ln(D_0/D')}$$

Very gradual decreasing of the effective coupling of the local moment to the surrounding conduction sea. Irrelevant since the interaction scales to zero.

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Antiferromagnetic case

$$g(D') = \frac{g_0}{1 - 2g_0 \ln(D_0/D')} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\ln\left[\frac{D'}{D_0 \exp(-1/2g_0)}\right]}$$

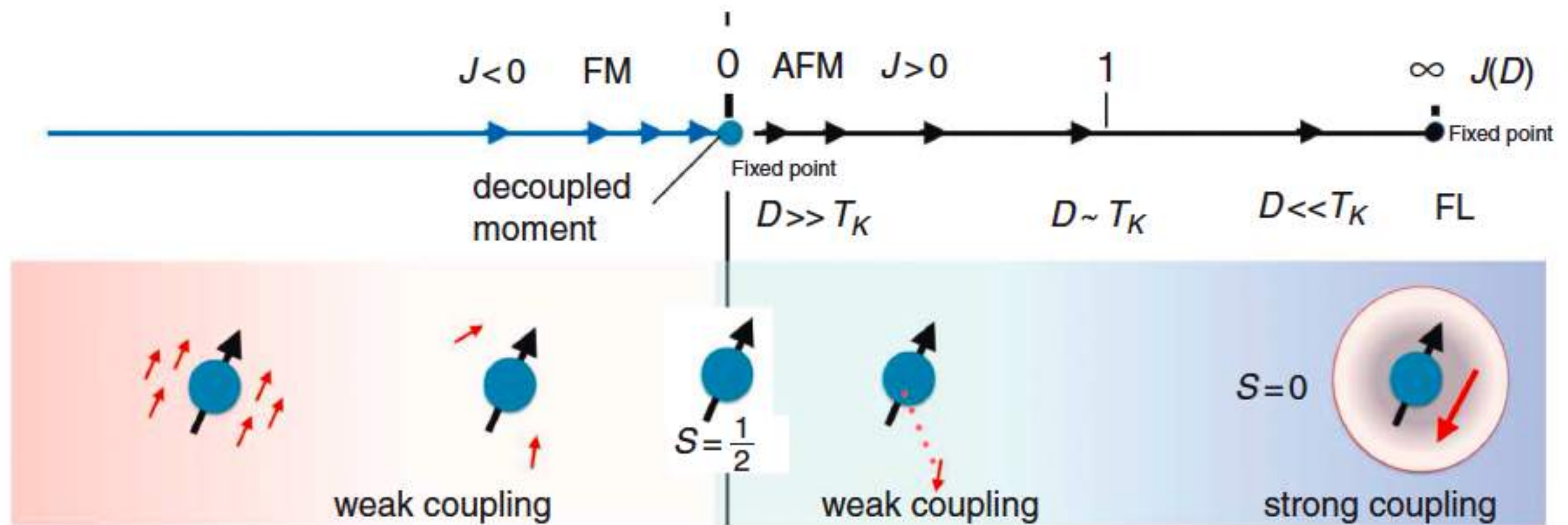
The effective coupling diverges at a dynamically generated scale: the Kondo temperature.

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Poor's man scaling of the Anderson model (Haldane's PhD thesis 1977) gives:

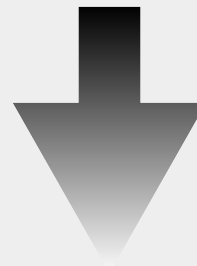
$$T_K \sim D \sqrt{\frac{2\Gamma U}{\pi}} e^{\frac{\pi \varepsilon_d (\varepsilon_d + U)}{2\Gamma U}}$$

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Remember $\frac{1}{g_0} - \frac{1}{g(D')} = -2\ln(D'/D_0)$



$$\frac{1}{g_0} - 2\ln D_0 = \frac{1}{g(D')} - 2\ln D'$$

The Kondo temperature is a scaling invariant quantity.

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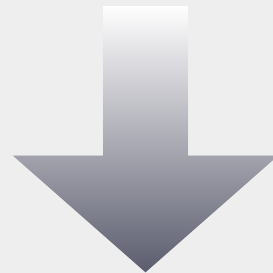
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Non-perturbative

Anderson's scaling ideas

All logarithmic corrections vanish when the high-energy cutoff equals the thermal energy:

$$g(k_B T) = \frac{g}{1 - 2g \ln\left(\frac{D}{k_B T}\right)}$$

$$2g = \frac{1}{\ln(T/T_K)}$$

$$T_K = D e^{-\frac{1}{2g}}$$


All physical quantities depend on temperature only through this logarithm

Still, this kind of scaling analysis breaks down below the Kondo temperature so a good description of the strong coupling limit at zero temperature was needed. This led to many theoretical approaches trying to describe such strong coupling limit.

I am indebted to a London Times article about Idi Amin for learning that in Swahili “Kondoism” means “robbery with violence.” This is not a bad description of this mathematical wilderness of models; H. Suhl has been heard to say that no Hamiltonian so incredibly simple has ever previously done such violence to the literature and to national science budgets.

Extracted from Anderson’s Nobel lecture 1977