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Resonant Tunneling, Quantum Brownian Motion, and Multichannel Kondo Problem

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[H. Yi, PRB 65, 195101 (2002)]

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• Multilead Quantum Dot



- \bullet Coulomb blockade \rightarrow conducting near resonance
- \bullet Strongly interacting \rightarrow difficult to solve!!

 \rightarrow bosonization, CFT, RG, Bethe ansatz, MC, \cdots

• Quantum Point Contact



Single transverse mode (transmission probability $T \leq 1$) \rightarrow 1DEG!

Bosonization of 1DEG

[J. von Delft and H. Schoeller, Am. J. Phys. 64, 1968 (1996), cond-mat/9805275]

• Linear dispersion near Fermi points



Single electron energy:

$$v_F = \frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dk} \implies \mathcal{E} = \hbar v_F (k - k_F)$$

• Hamiltonian of a spinless 1DEG ($\hbar = 1$)

$$\begin{split} H &= -iv_F \int dx : \left(\psi_+^{\dagger} \partial_x \psi_+ - \psi_-^{\dagger} \partial_x \psi_-\right) : \\ &+ \int dx : \left[g_2 \psi_+^{\dagger} \psi_-^{\dagger} \psi_- \psi_+ + \frac{g_4}{2} \left(\psi_+^{\dagger} \psi_+^{\dagger} \psi_+ \psi_+ + \psi_-^{\dagger} \psi_-^{\dagger} \psi_- \psi_-\right)\right] : \end{split}$$

• Hamiltonian (continued)

Fourier transform:
$$\psi_{\pm}(x) = rac{1}{\sqrt{L}}\sum_{k}e^{ikx}c_{\pm}(k)$$

$$\begin{split} H &= v_F \sum_{k} k : \left[c^{\dagger}_{+}(k) c_{+}(k) - c^{\dagger}_{-}(k) c_{-}(k) \right] : \\ &+ \frac{1}{L} \sum_{kpq} : \left\{ g_2 c^{\dagger}_{+}(k+q) c^{\dagger}_{-}(p-q) c_{-}(p) c_{+}(k) \right. \\ &+ \frac{g_4}{2} \left[c^{\dagger}_{+}(k+q) c^{\dagger}_{+}(p-q) c_{+}(p) c_{+}(k) \right. \\ &+ c^{\dagger}_{-}(k+q) c^{\dagger}_{-}(p-q) c_{-}(p) c_{-}(k) \right] \right\} : \end{split}$$

• Hamiltonian (continued)

$$\rho_{\pm}(q) \equiv \int dx \, e^{-iqx} : \psi_{\pm}^{\dagger}(x)\psi_{\pm}(x) : = \sum_{k} : \left[c_{\pm}^{\dagger}(k-q)c_{\pm}(k)\right] :$$

$$\left[\rho_{\pm}(q),\rho_{\pm}^{\dagger}(q')\right] = \pm \delta_{qq'} \frac{qL}{2\pi}, \quad \left[\rho_{+}(q),\rho_{-}^{\dagger}(q')\right] = 0$$

$$H = \frac{2\pi v_F + 2g_4}{L} \sum_{q} : \left[\rho_+(q)\rho_+(-q) + \rho_-(-q)\rho_-(q)\right] :$$
$$+ \frac{2g_2}{L} \sum_{q} : \rho_+(q)\rho_-(-q) :$$

• Charge density wave: $\rho_{\pm} = \frac{\partial_x \phi_{\pm}}{2\pi}$

 $\phi_{\pm}(x) = 2\pi \times \text{ spatial displacement of electron at position } x$ = CDW phase

$$\left[\phi_{\pm}(x),\partial_{x}\phi_{\pm}(x')
ight]=\pm 2\pi\delta(x-x')$$

 $\psi_{\pm}(x) \propto F_{\pm} e^{\pm i \phi_{\pm}(x)} \cdots$ kink annihilation operator (vertex operator in CFT)

Bosonization of 1DEG

• Hamiltonian in terms of CDW

 $\theta = \phi_+ + \phi_- = \mathsf{CDW}$ phase, $\phi = \phi_+ - \phi_- = \mathsf{Josephson}$ phase $\implies \frac{\partial_x \theta}{2\pi} = \text{charge density}, \qquad \frac{\partial_x \phi}{2\pi} = \text{current density}$ $H = \frac{v}{8\pi} \int dx \left[g \left(\partial_x \phi \right)^2 + \frac{1}{g} \left(\partial_x \theta \right)^2 \right] = 2\pi v \int dx \left[g \Pi_{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{g} \left(\frac{\partial_x \theta}{4\pi} \right)^2 \right]$ $v = rac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{(\pi v_F + g_4)^2 - g_2^2}, \qquad g = \sqrt{rac{\pi v_F + g_4 - g_2}{\pi v_F + g_4 + g_2}}$ repulsive $\rightarrow g_2 > 0 \rightarrow g < 1$, attractive $\rightarrow g_2 < 0 \rightarrow g > 1$ $[\theta(x'), \partial_x \phi(x)] = i4\pi \delta(x - x') \Longrightarrow \ \Pi_{\theta} = \frac{\partial_x \phi}{A_{-}}$

 \longrightarrow conjugation relation between number and phase!

Bosonized action

$$\partial_t \theta = i[\theta, H] = 4\pi vg \Pi$$

Euclidean action:
$$S = rac{1}{8\pi vg} \int d\tau dx \left[\left(\partial_{\tau} \theta \right)^2 + \left(v \partial_x \theta \right)^2 \right]$$

• Dual theory:
$$[\phi(x'), \partial_x \theta(x)] = i4\pi \delta(x - x') \Longrightarrow \ \Pi_{\phi} = \frac{\partial_x \theta}{4\pi}$$

$$H = 2\pi v \int dx \left[\frac{1}{g} \Pi_{\phi}^2 + g \left(\frac{\partial_x \phi}{4\pi} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$S = \frac{g}{8\pi v} \int d\tau dx \left[\left(\partial_{\tau} \phi \right)^2 + \left(v \partial_x \phi \right)^2 \right]$$

• Multilead quantum dot action

$$S = S_0 + S_v + S_C$$
$$S_0 = \sum_{a=1}^{N} \frac{1}{8\pi v_F} \int d\tau dx \left[\left(\partial_\tau \theta_a \right)^2 + \left(v_F \partial_x \theta_a \right)^2 \right]$$

$$S_{v} = \sum_{a=1}^{N} \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_{c}} v \cos\left[2\pi Q_{a}(\tau)\right], \quad \left(Q_{a} = \int_{0}^{\infty} dx \frac{\partial \theta(x)}{2\pi} = -\frac{\theta(x=0)}{2\pi}\right)$$

$$S_C = rac{e^2}{2C}\int d au \left[-\sum_{a=1}^N Q_a(au) - n_0
ight]^2$$

 Effective action: Caldeira-Legget model of QBM in a periodic potention

$$S_{\text{eff}}'[\{Q_a\}] = \sum_{a=1}^{N} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int d\omega |\omega| |Q_a(\omega)|^2 - v \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_c} \cos 2\pi Q_a(\tau) \right\}$$
$$+ \frac{e^2}{2C} \int d\tau \left\{ -\left[\sum_{a=1}^{N} Q_a(\tau)\right] - n_0 \right\}^2$$

 $T \ll e^2/C \implies$ Total charge in the dot $(\sum_a Q_a)$ freezes out. \longrightarrow Coulomb blockade unless $n_0 =$ half integer

• Lattice models





• Lattice models (continued)

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d\omega |\omega| e^{|\omega|\tau_c} |\mathbf{r}(\omega)|^2 - \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_c} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} v_{\mathbf{G}} e^{i2\pi \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{r}(\tau)}$$

 $(\mathbf{G} = reciprocal \ lattice \ vector)$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d\omega \, |\omega| e^{|\omega|\tau_c} |\mathbf{k}(\omega)|^2 - \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_c} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} t_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i2\pi \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{k}(\tau)}$$

 $(\mathbf{R} = \mathsf{direct\ lattice\ vector}, \quad \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{R} = \mathsf{integer})$

• Perturbative RG flow equations (small v_{G} or t_{R})

$$\frac{dv_{\mathbf{G}}}{d\ell} = \left(1 - |\mathbf{G}|^2\right)v_{\mathbf{G}} + \mathcal{O}\left(v^2\right), \qquad \frac{dt_{\mathbf{R}}}{d\ell} = \left(1 - |\mathbf{R}|^2\right)t_{\mathbf{R}} + \mathcal{O}\left(t^2\right)$$

• Linear response and mobility

uniform external force
$${f F} \longrightarrow S_{f F} = -\int d au {f F} \cdot {f r}(au)$$

$$\mu_{ij} \equiv \lim_{\mathsf{F}\to 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial F_j} \langle \partial_t r_i \rangle = \lim_{\omega \to 0} \frac{1}{|\omega|} \int d\omega' \, \omega \omega' \langle r_i(\omega) r_j(-\omega') \rangle = \mu \delta_{ij}$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \delta_{ij} - \lim_{\omega o 0} rac{1}{|\omega|} \int d\omega' \ \omega \omega' \langle k_i(\omega) k_j(-\omega')
angle \, .$$

$$\left\{ egin{array}{ll} \mu=0, & ext{if } t_{\mathbf{R}}=0 \ \ \mu=1, & ext{if } v_{\mathrm{G}}=0 \ \ 0<\mu<1, & ext{otherwise} \end{array}
ight.$$

• 1D lattice (2 leads with or without a quantum dot)



• 1D lattice (continued)

• 2D triangular lattice (3 leads, off resonance) Simplification: symmetric contacts $t_{\mathbf{R}} = t$, for all **R**



Fixed point mobility:
$$\mu^* = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < 1, \\ 0 \text{ or } 1 & \text{if } 1 < |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < 4/3, \\ 1 & \text{if } |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 > 4/3. \end{cases}$$

• D-D "hypertriangular" lattice (D + 1 leads, off resonance)(eg: 4 leads $\rightarrow D = 3 \rightarrow \text{tetrahedron})$



• 2D honeycomb lattice (3 leads, on resonance)



nonsymmorphic lattice!

• 2D honeycomb lattice (continued)



$$S_t = -t \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_c} \sum_{a} \left(\frac{\sigma^+}{2} e^{i2\pi \mathbf{R}_a \cdot \mathbf{k}} + \frac{\sigma^-}{2} e^{-i2\pi \mathbf{R}_a \cdot \mathbf{k}} \right)$$

• 2D honeycomb lattice (continued)



Stable intermediate fixed point!

$$\label{eq:Fixed point mobility:} \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mu^* = 0 & \mbox{if } |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < 4/9, \\ 0 < \mu^* < 1 & \mbox{if } 4/9 < |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < 1, \\ \mu^* = 1 & \mbox{if } |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 > 1. \end{array} \right.$$

• *D*-D "hyperhoneycomb" lattice (D + 1 leads, on resonance)

$$S_t = -t \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_c} \sum_{a=1}^{D+1} \left(\frac{\sigma^+}{2} e^{i2\pi \mathbf{R}_a \cdot \mathbf{k}} + H.c. \right)$$



• *D*-D "hyperhoneycomb" lattice (continued)

Fixed point mobility:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mu^* = 0 & \mbox{if } |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < D^2/(D+1)^2, \\ 0 < \mu^* < 1 & \mbox{if } D^2/(D+1)^2 < |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < 1, \\ 0 < \mu^* < 1 \mbox{ or } \mu^* = 1 & \mbox{if } 1 < |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 < \xi, \\ \mu^* = 1 & \mbox{if } |\mathbf{G}_0|^2 > \xi. \end{array} \right.$$

• Hamiltonian

$$H=H_0+H_J$$

$$H_0 = i v_F \sum_{a,s} \int dx \, \psi^\dagger_{as} \partial_x \psi_{as}$$

$$H_{J} = 2\pi v_{F} \sum_{a} \left\{ J_{z} S_{imp}^{z} s_{a}^{z}(0) + \frac{1}{2} J_{\perp} \left[S_{imp}^{+} s_{a}^{-}(0) + \text{H.c.} \right] \right\}$$

Boson Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H' &= \frac{v_F}{8\pi} \int dx \left[(\partial_x \phi^{\mathrm{s}})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (\partial_x \phi_i^{\mathrm{sf}})^2 \right] \\ &+ \frac{J_\perp}{2\tau_c} \sum_{a=1}^N \left(S^+_{\mathrm{imp}} \exp\left\{ -i \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left(1 - \frac{N}{2} J_z \right) \phi^{\mathrm{s}}(0) + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \mathrm{O}_{ai}^{-1} \phi_i^{\mathrm{sf}}(0) \right] \right\} \\ &+ \mathrm{H.c.} \right) \end{aligned}$$

• Generalized Toulouse limit: $1 - \frac{N}{2}J_z = 0 \longrightarrow \phi^s$ is decoupled.

• Euclidean action

$$S_{\text{Kondo}} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int d\omega \, |\omega| \sum_{i=1}^N |\phi_i^{\text{sf}}(\omega)|^2 + \frac{J_\perp}{2} \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau_c} \sum_{a=1}^N \left\{ S_{\text{imp}}^+ \exp\left[-i \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} O_{ai}^{-1} \phi_i^{\text{sf}}(\tau)\right] + \text{c.c.} \right\}$$

 \rightarrow mapped to quantum Brownian motion and on-resonance tunneling!

• RG flow



Mapping II: Multichannel Kondo Problem

• Fixed point mobility of on-resonance tunneling

From spin current correlation functions obtained from CFT, [A.W.W. Ludwig and I. Affleck, NPB **428**, 545 (1994); PRB **48**, 7297 (1993)]

$$\mu^*_{\text{on resonance}} = 2\sin^2\frac{\pi}{N+2}$$

• On-resonance conductance: $G = \frac{N\mu}{2} \frac{e^2}{h}$

• Universal resonance lineshape: $G(\delta n_0, T) = \tilde{G}\left(\frac{\delta n_0}{T^{1-\Delta_{\mathcal{H}}}}\right)$

- Mappings between resonant tunneling, QBM, and multichannel Kondo problem are explicitly shown. (Same universality class is shared by seemingly different models.)
- Nonperturbative results of one model may be obtained from known properties of another model.
- It helps to get familiar with many different physical models and systems!