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# Spin Effects in Coherent Transport

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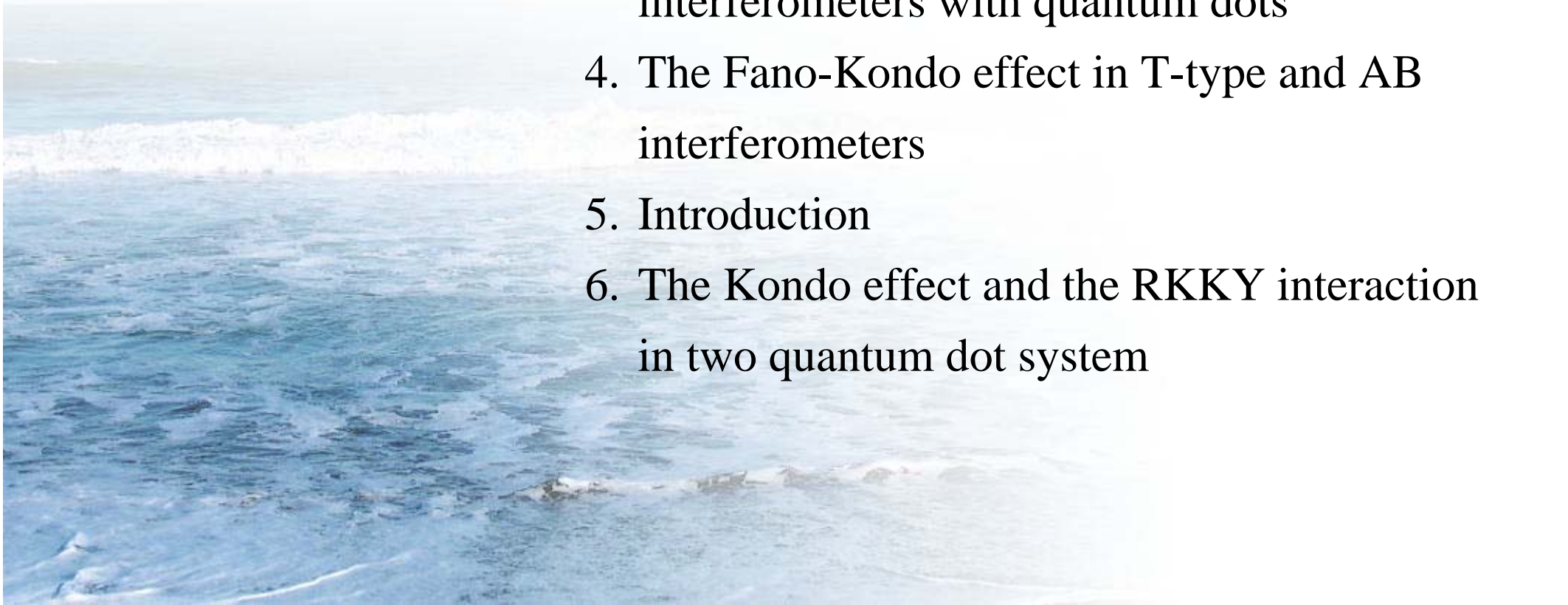
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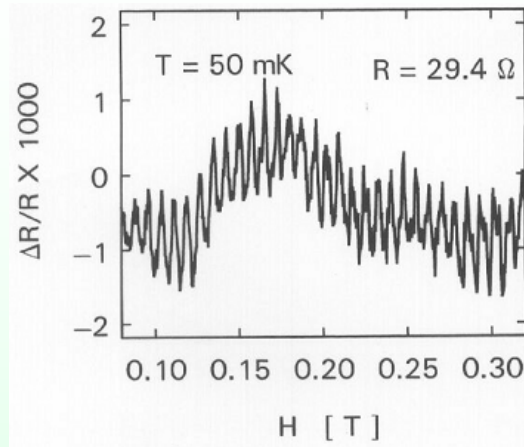
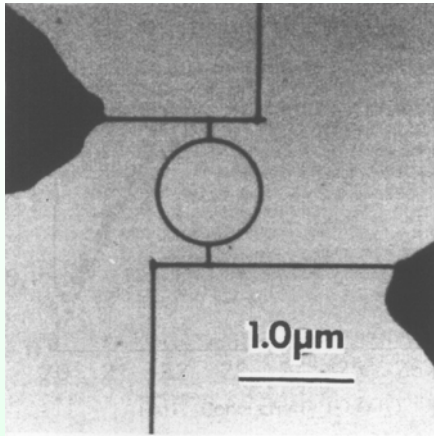
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# Outline

1. Spin-orbit Berry phase in Aharonov-Bohm (AB) type oscillation
2. Effect of spin scattering on orbital coherence
3. The Fano effect in AB and T-type interferometers with quantum dots
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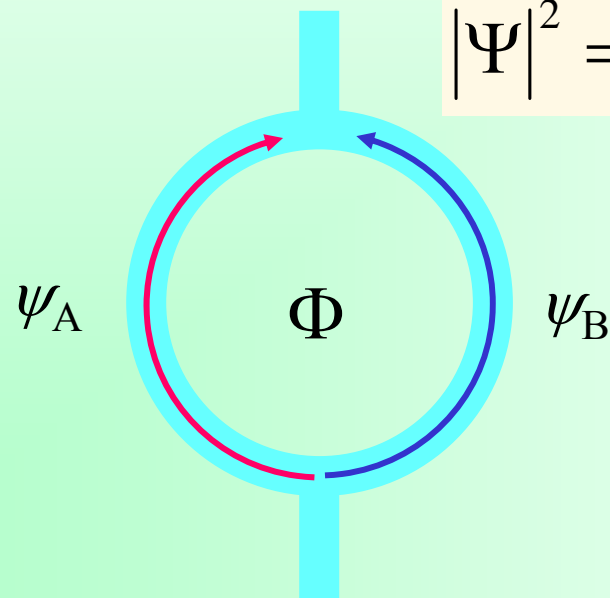


# Aharonov-Bohm (AB) ring



Richard A. Webb

R. A. Webb et al. PRL 54, 1610 (1985).

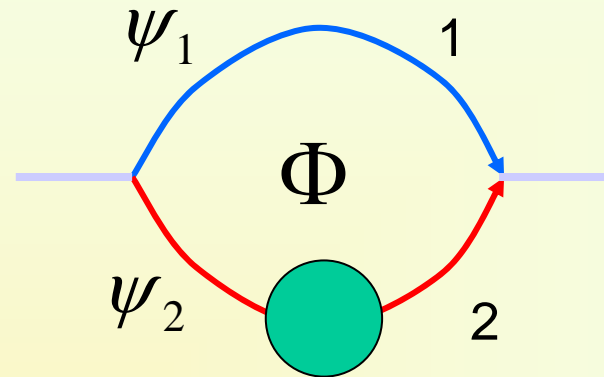


$$|\Psi|^2 = |\psi_A|^2 + |\psi_B|^2 + 2|\psi_A||\psi_B|\cos\theta$$

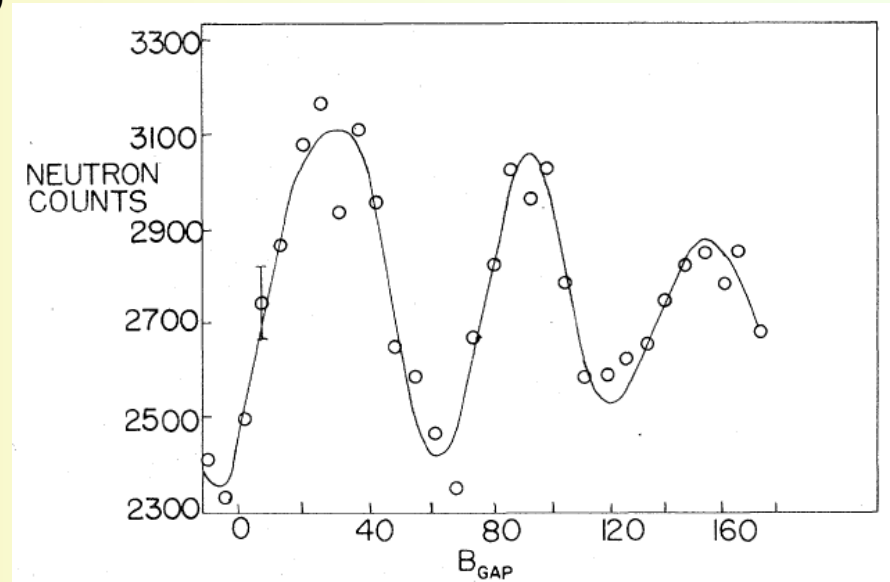
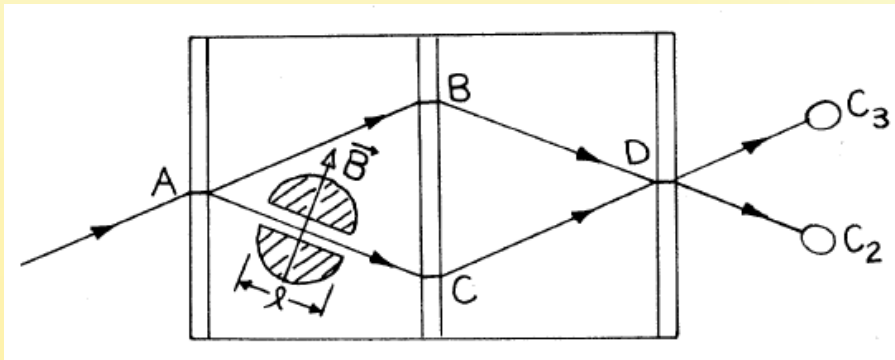
# Electron spin and coherent transport

wavefunction  $\psi = \underbrace{\chi(s)}_{\text{spin part}} \underbrace{\phi(r)}_{\text{orbital}}$

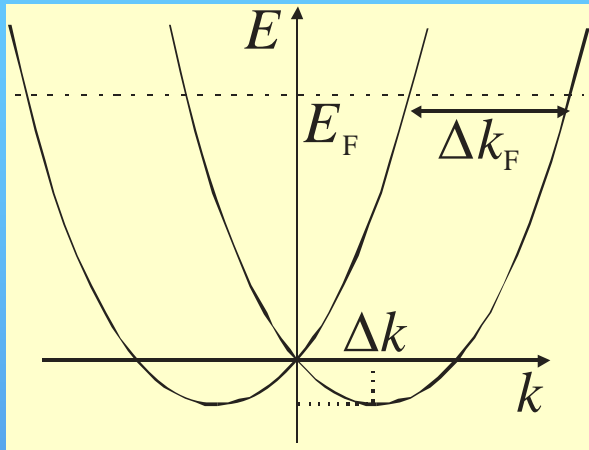
$$\langle \psi_1 | \psi_2 \rangle = \int \chi_1^* \chi_2 ds \int \phi_1^* \phi_2 dr$$



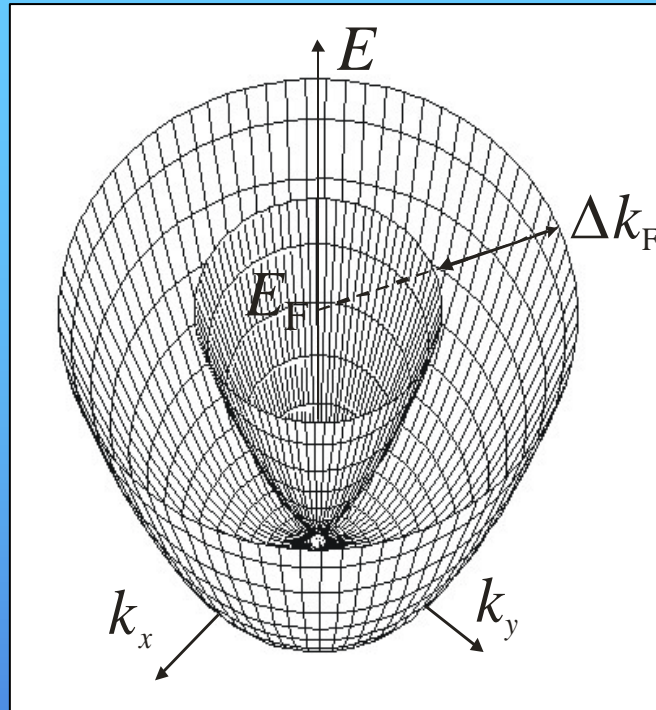
S. A. Werner et.al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 35, 1053 (1975)



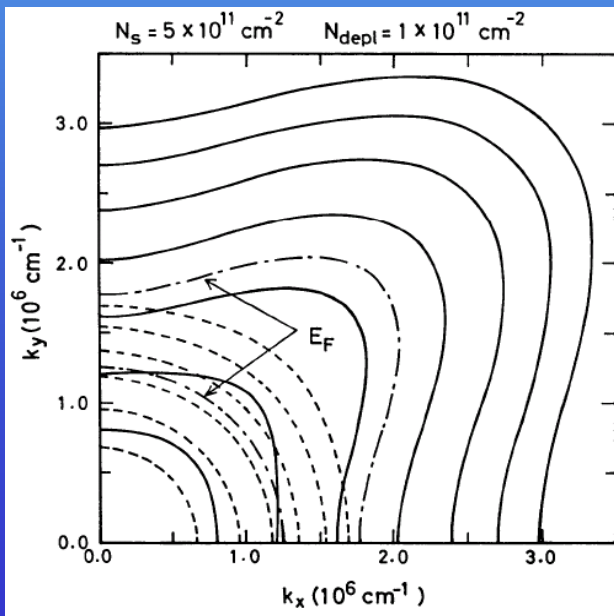
# Spin-orbit interaction in two-dimensional systems



Rashba type spin-orbit interaction



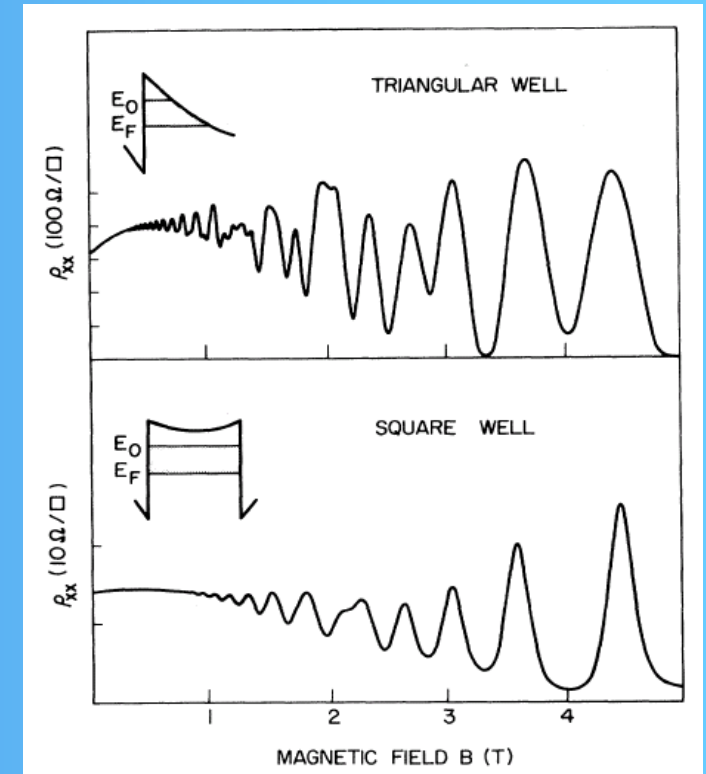
Double Fermi contour



In reality:  
Dresselhaus contribution

Lattice anisotropic effect

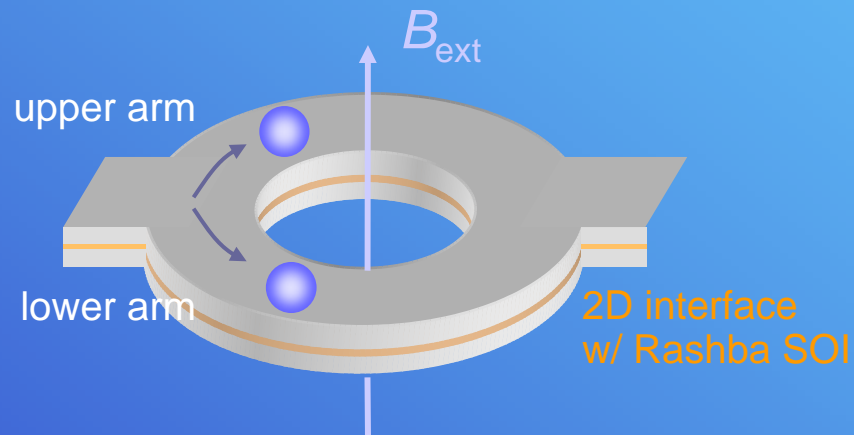
T. Ando,  
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J. Eisenstein et al. PRL 53, 2759 ('86)



# Berry phase in a single mesoscopic ring



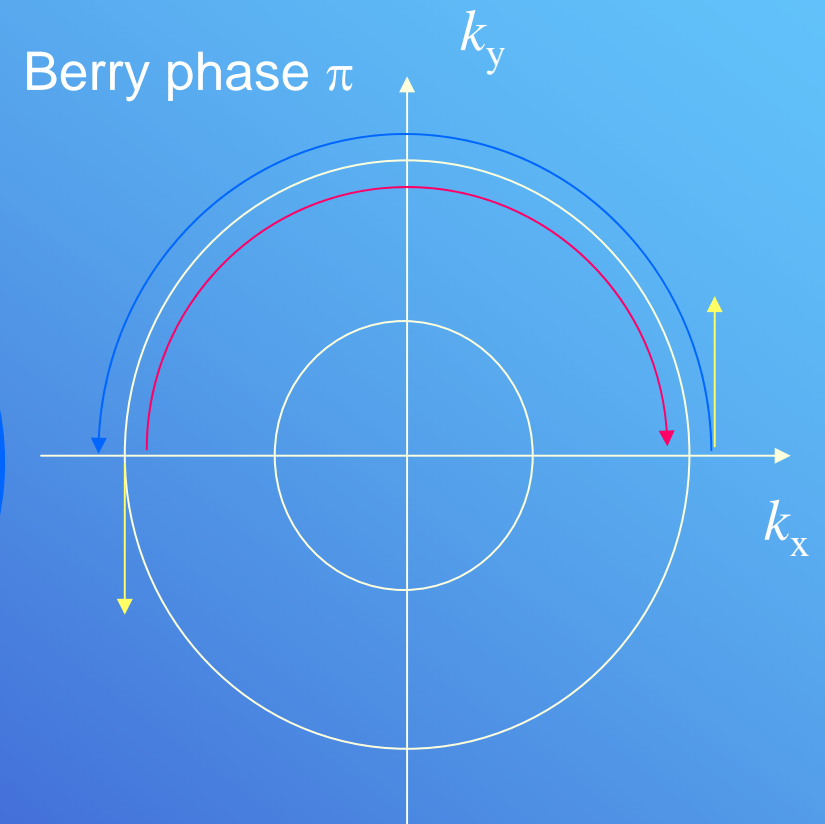
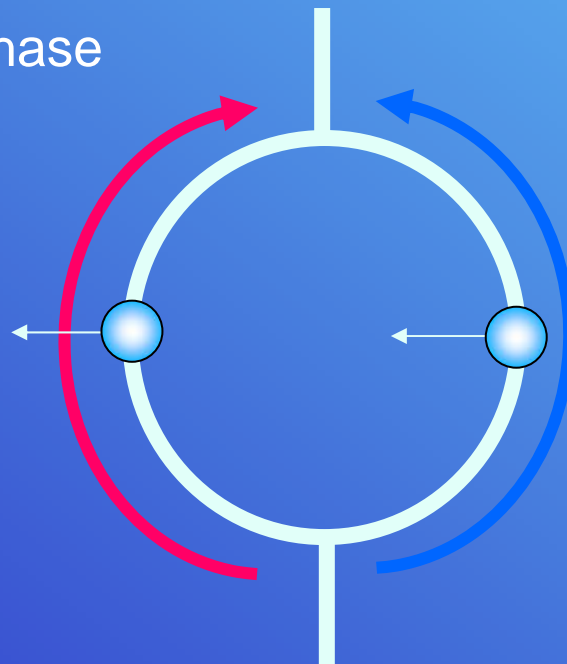
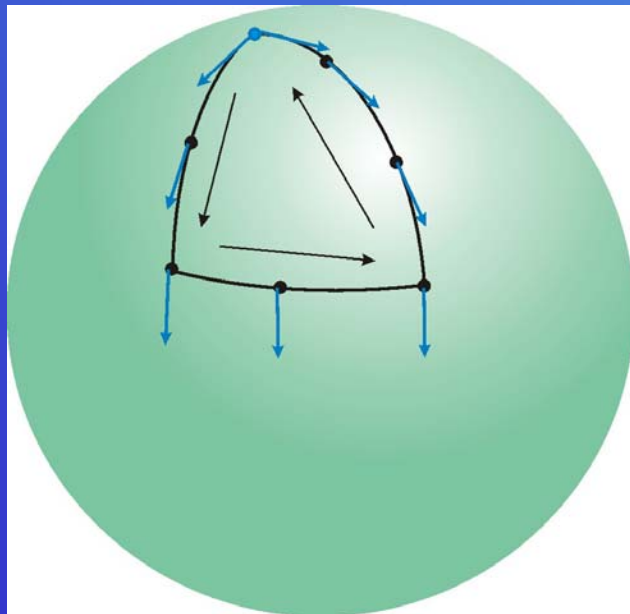
D. Loss et al., PRL 65, 1655 (1990)

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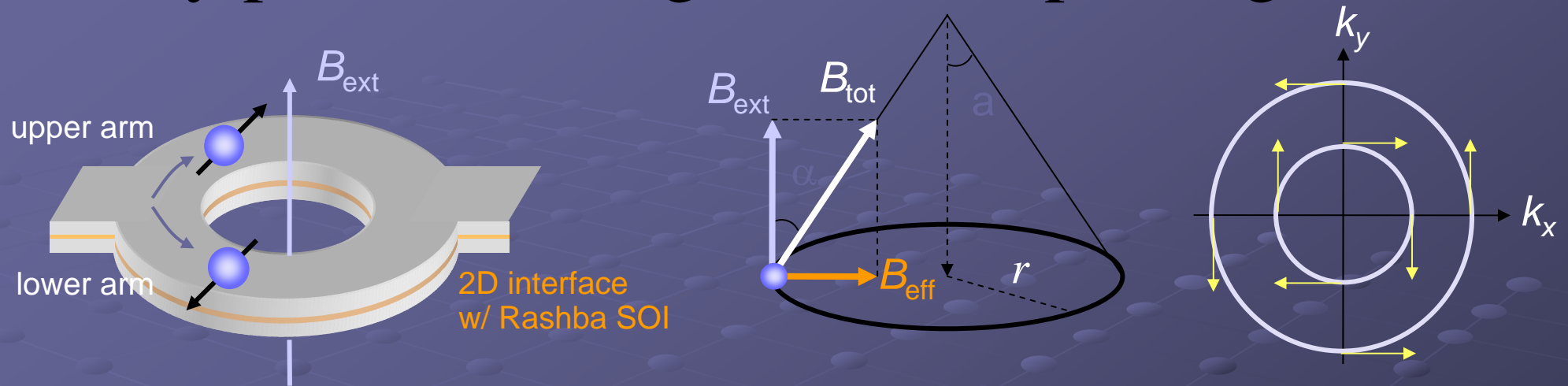
T. Quian & Z. Su, PRL 72, 2311 (1994)

Y. Meir et al., PRL 63, 798 (1989)

Constraint+  
Adiabatic approx  $\rightarrow$  Berry phase



# Berry phase in a single mesoscopic ring



**AB phase**

$$\theta_{AB} = 2\pi \frac{\Phi_{ext}}{\Phi_0}$$

**ALWAYS**

Effective when the carrier has

**Band-splitting**  $\Delta\theta_k = \pi r \Delta k_F \sin \alpha \rightarrow$  **Difference in  $k_F$**

**EXCLUSIVE**

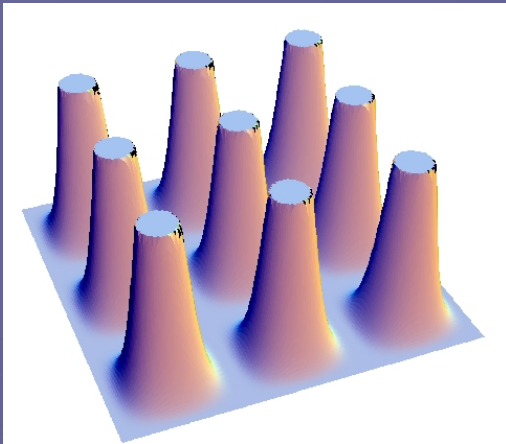
**Berry phase**  $\Delta\theta_B = \pi(1 - \cos \alpha) \rightarrow$  **Difference in spins**

in the upper and lower arms

**Overall phase**

$$\theta_{AB} \pm \Delta\theta_k, \quad \theta_{AB} \pm \Delta\theta_B$$

# Antidot lattice (ADL)

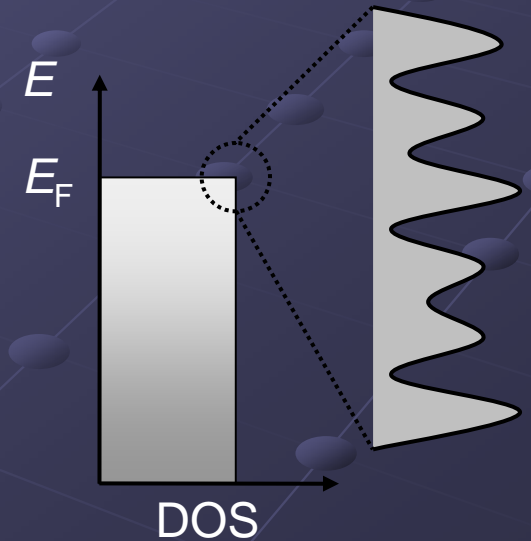
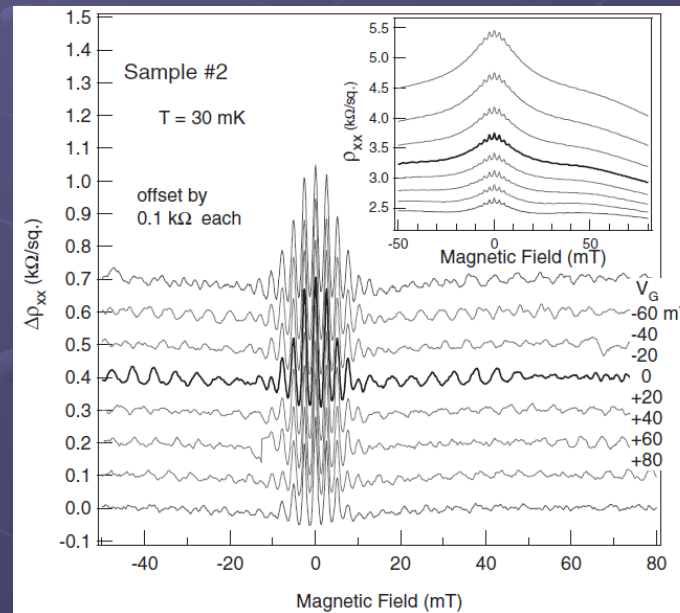
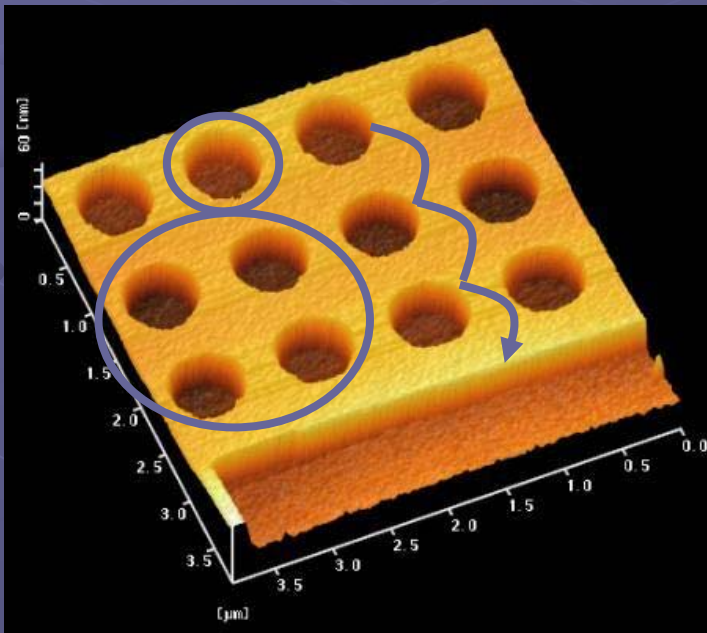


**AAS oscillation:  $h/2e$  period**

**AB-type oscillation:  $h/e$  period**

- survives even when the ordinary AB phases are averaged out due to random phasing
- presumably manifests the oscillatory structure in the DOS, but it is not obvious the Berry phase still appears in it
- random sample-specific effects are suppressed

Y. Iye et al. JPSJ 73, 3370 (2004)

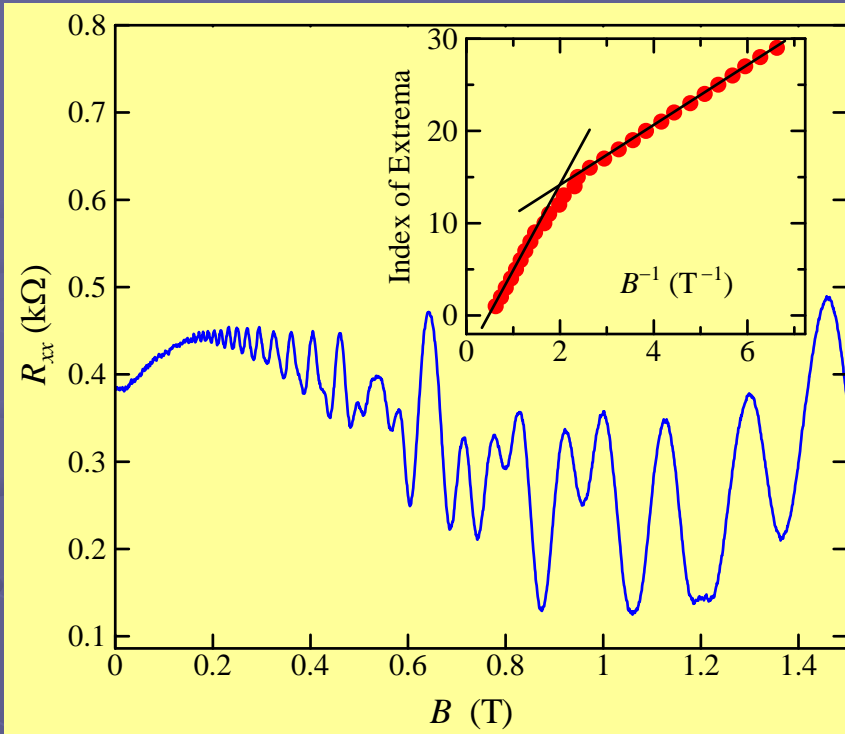


**Commensurability peak:**

- appears when the carrier cyclotron orbit is commensurate with an ADL
- is also as a result of 'pinball' transport



# Sample



## Two-dimensional Hole gas

(001)  $Ga_{0.65}Al_{0.35}As/GaAs$

Hole concentration from SdH  $p_1 = 0.79 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

$$p_h = 1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

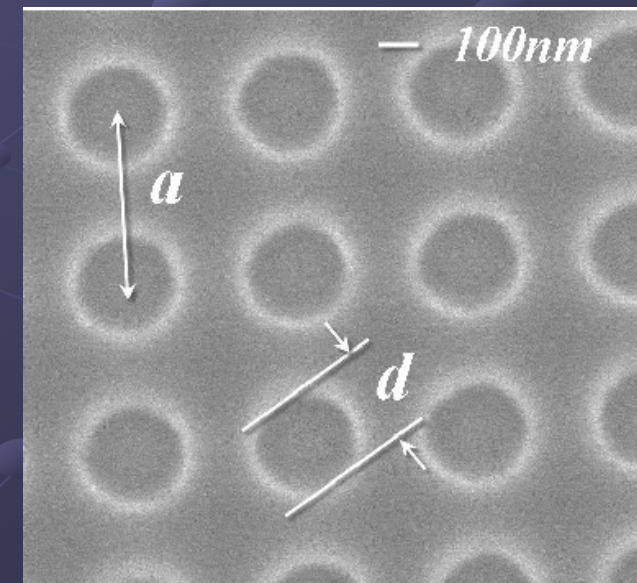
Hall concentration

$$p = 2.3 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

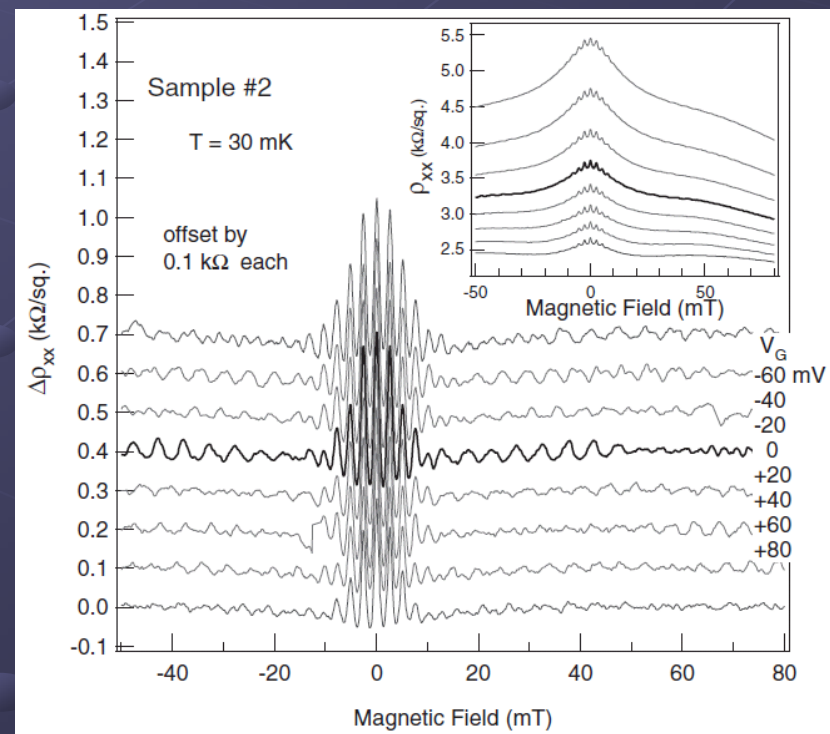
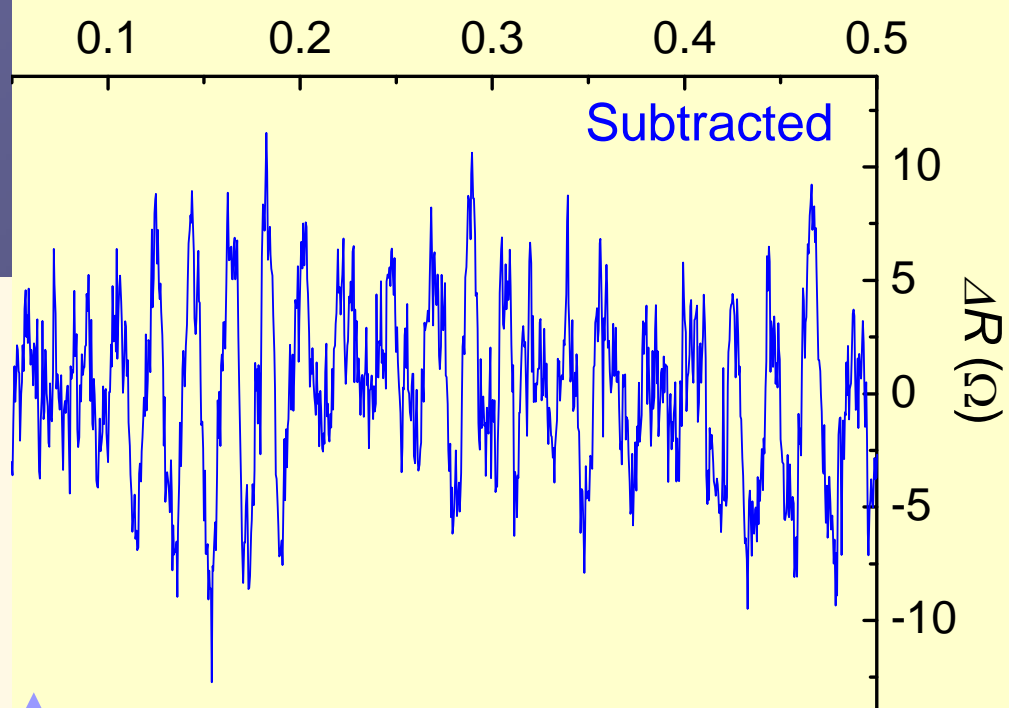
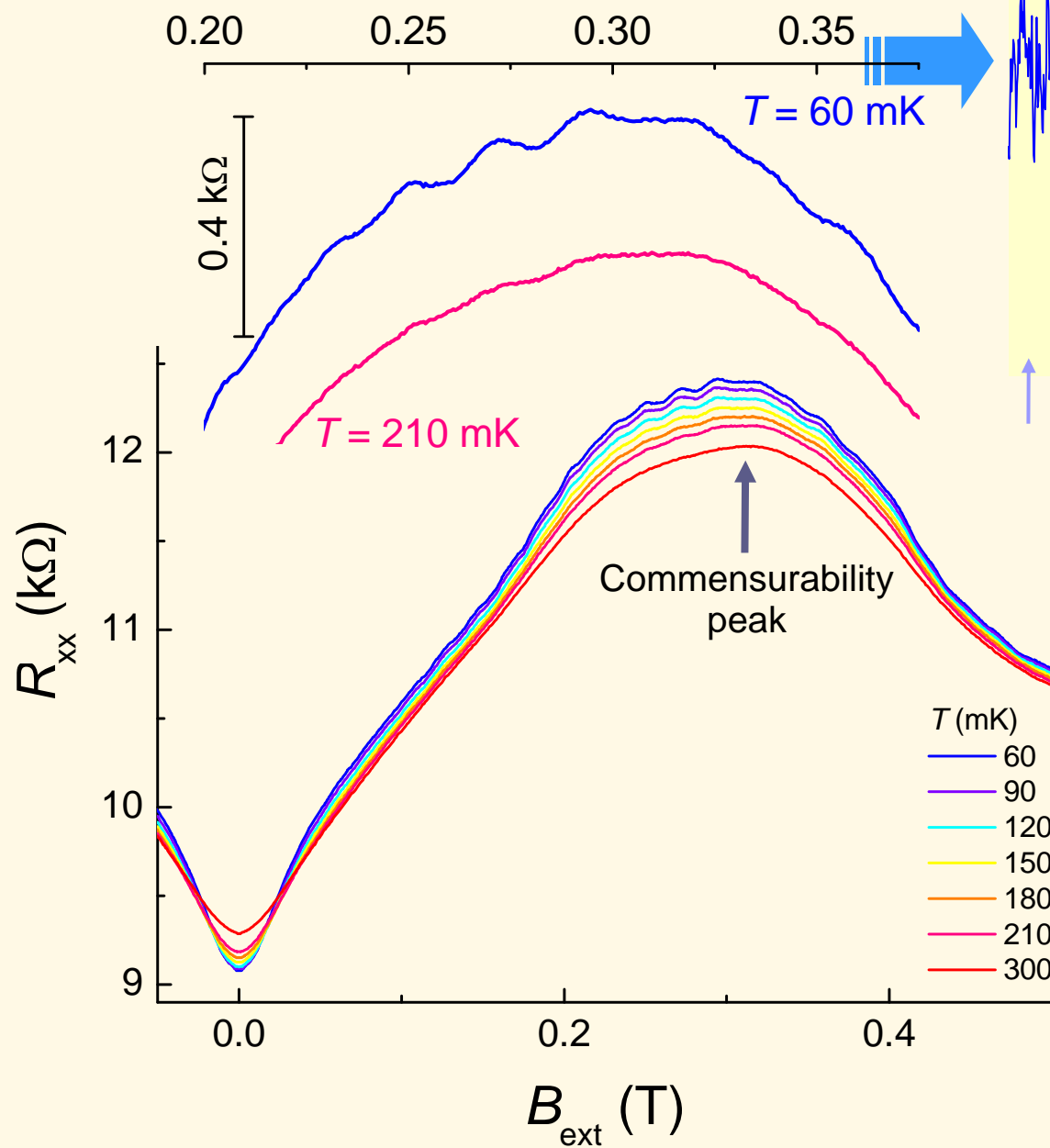
Mobility

$$\mu = 6.8 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^2 (\text{Vs})^{-1}$$

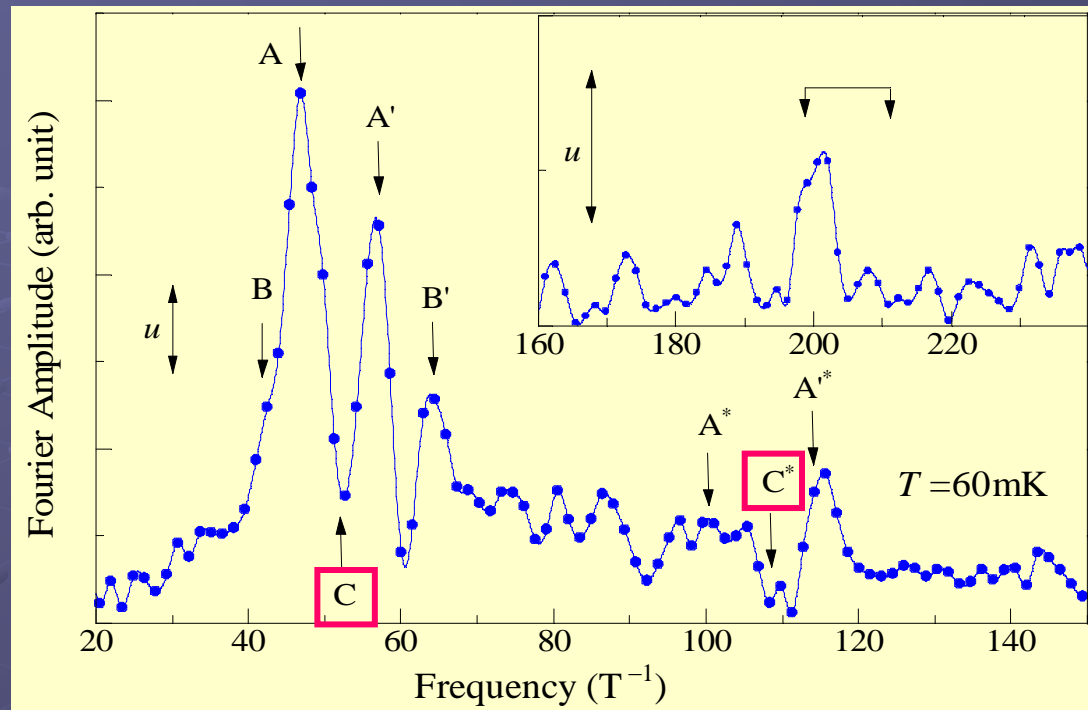
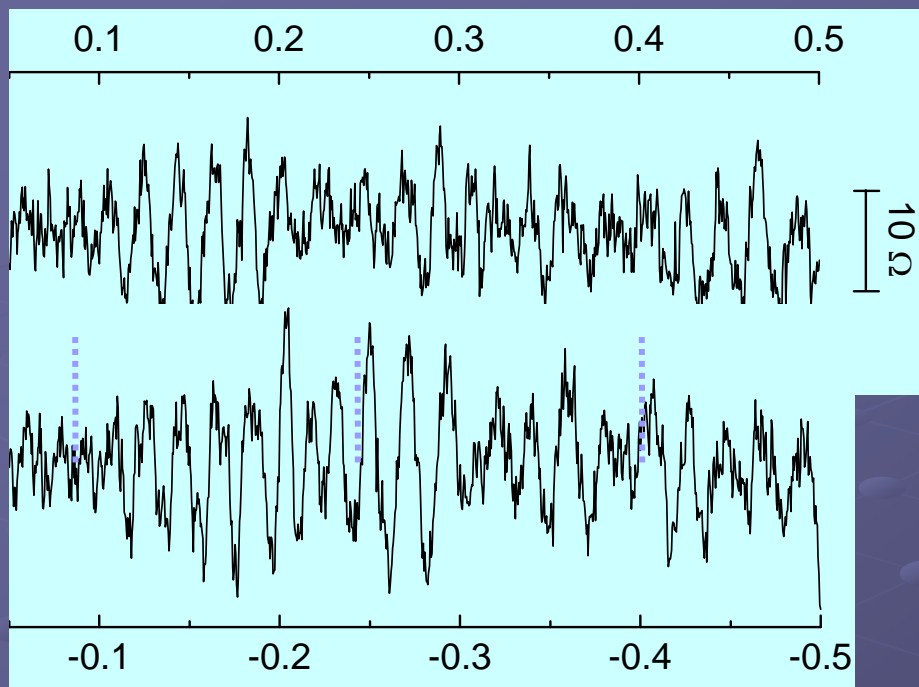
Sample	Diameter $d$ (nm)	Period $a$ (nm)	Lattice structure
SL	250	1000	Square
SS	250	500	Square
TL	250	1000	Triangular
TS	250	750	Triangular



# Magnetoresistance

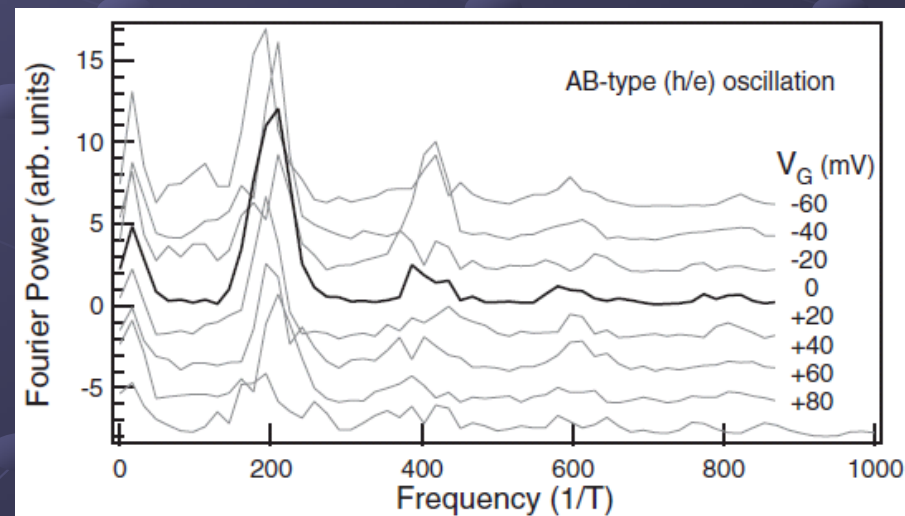


# Fourier spectrum of the AB-type oscillation



n-type

- Dip C corresponds to  $h/e$  through a single antidot cell
- The main peak splits into peaks A, A' and B', and a shoulder B
- Dip C\* corresponds to  $h/2e$  with split-peaks A\* and A\*'.





# Quantum Entanglement

$$|\psi\rangle = |A\rangle + |B\rangle$$

$$|\varphi\rangle = |1\rangle + |2\rangle$$

$ A\rangle$	$ B\rangle$	
$ A\rangle 1\rangle$		$ 1\rangle$
	$ B\rangle 2\rangle$	$ 2\rangle$

Direct product  $|\Psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle \otimes |\varphi\rangle = |A\rangle|1\rangle + |A\rangle|2\rangle + |B\rangle|1\rangle + |B\rangle|2\rangle$

Maximally entangled state  $|\Phi\rangle = |A\rangle|1\rangle + |B\rangle|2\rangle$

Quantification of Entanglement?



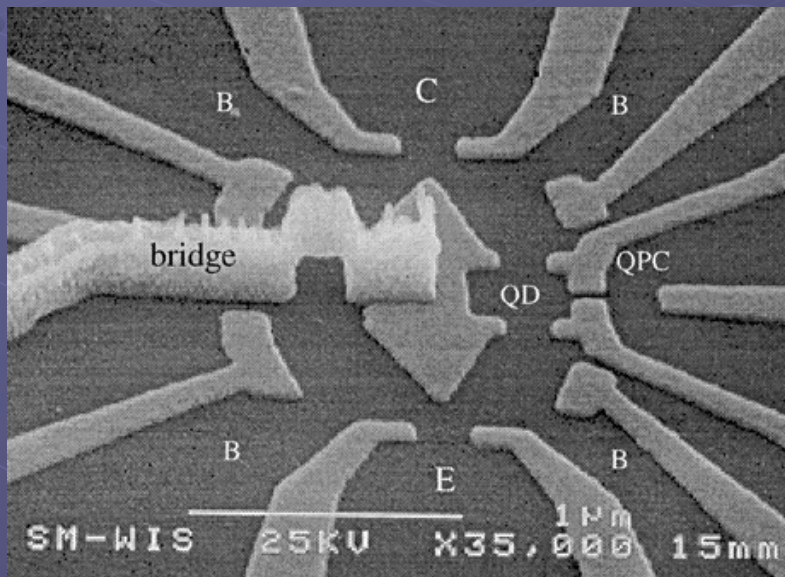
# What is “measurement”?

$$|\psi\rangle = |\psi_A\rangle + |\psi_B\rangle$$

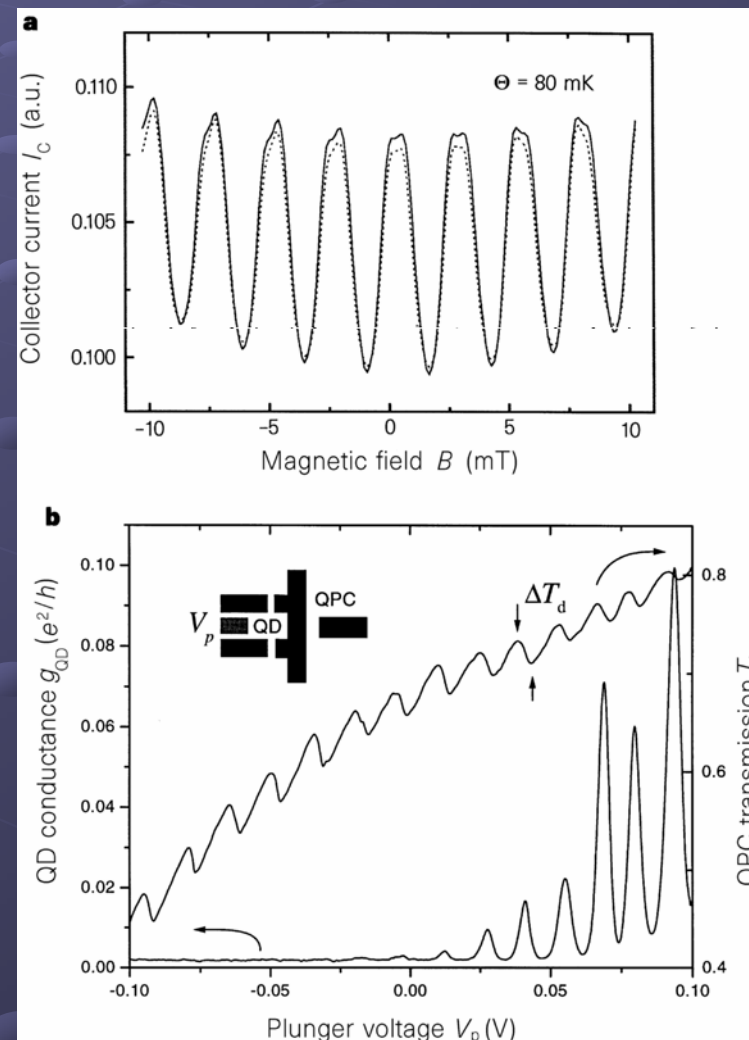
$$|\Psi\rangle = |\psi_A\rangle|A\rangle + |\psi_B\rangle|B\rangle$$

State entangled with macroscopically distinguishable states  $|A\rangle$  and  $|B\rangle$

“Collapse” of wavefunction into  $\psi_A$  (or  $\psi_B$ ).



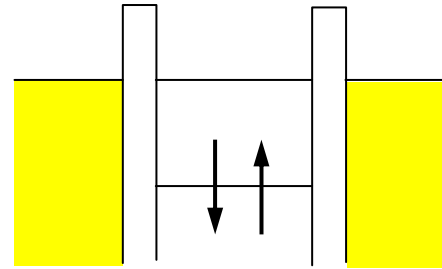
Buks et al. Nature 391, 871 ('98)



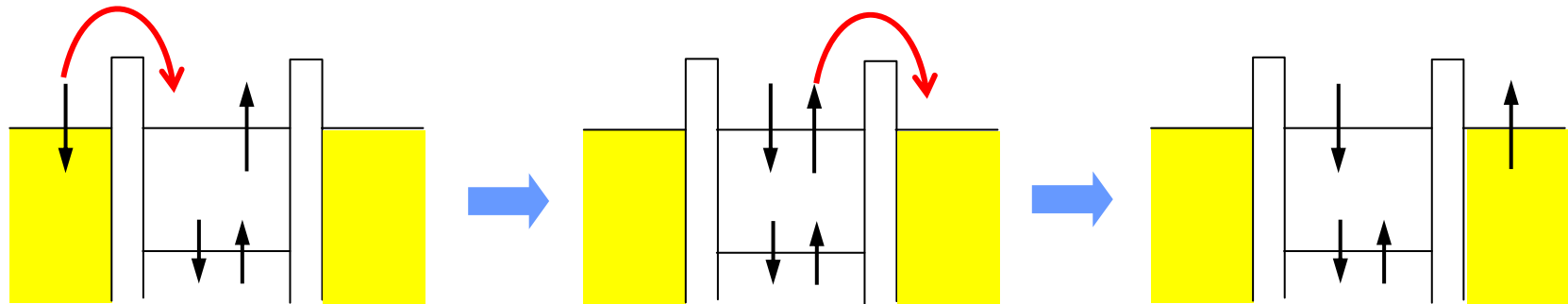
# Spin state and quantum decoherence

Akera PRB **59**, 9802('99), König & Gefen PRB**65**, 045316 ('02)

discrete levels by quantum  
confinement



- When the number of electrons is odd:



# Spin state and quantum decoherence

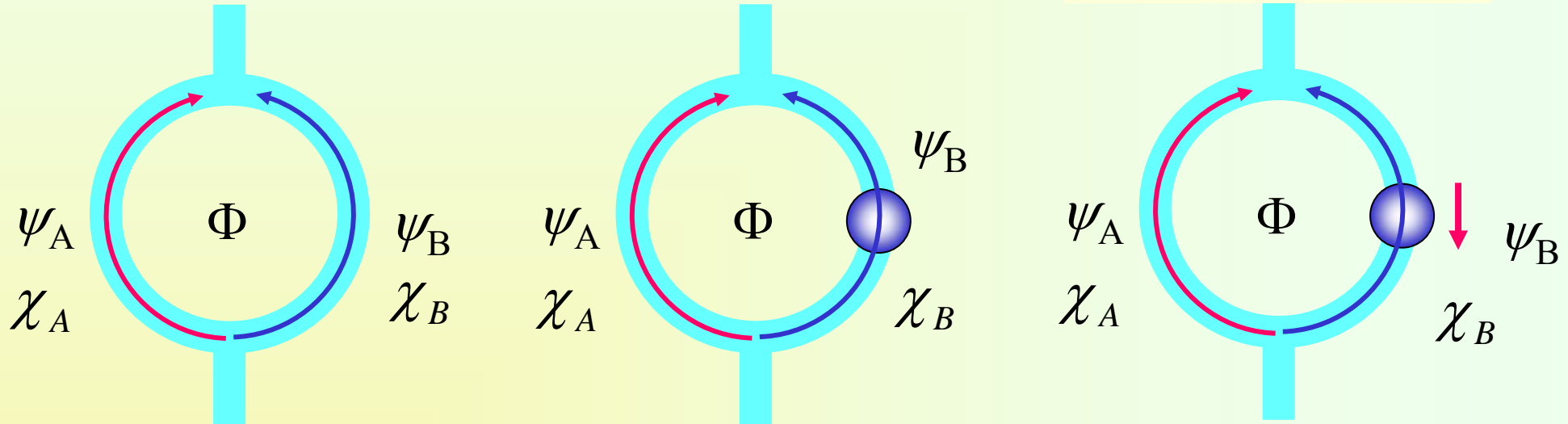
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$$2|\psi_A||\psi_B| \cos \theta \int d\xi \chi_A(\xi) \chi_B^*(\xi)$$

$$2|\psi_A||\psi_B| \cos \theta$$

$\chi_A$ : spin-up  $\chi_B$ : spin-down  
interference term : 0

Partial coherence



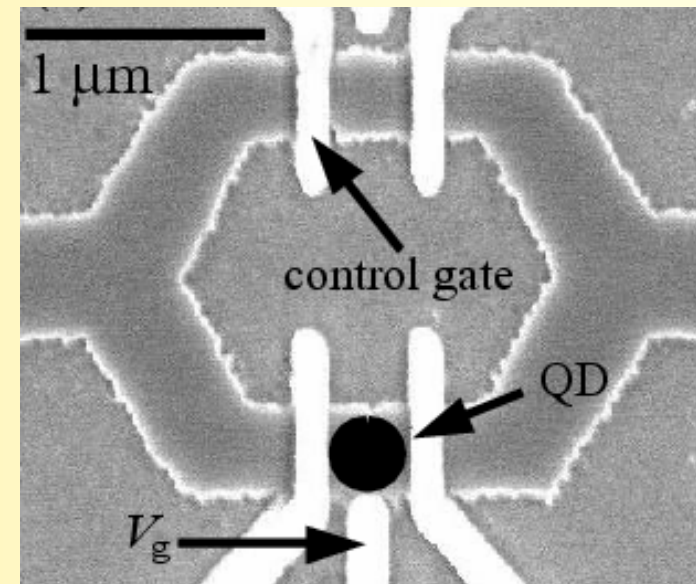
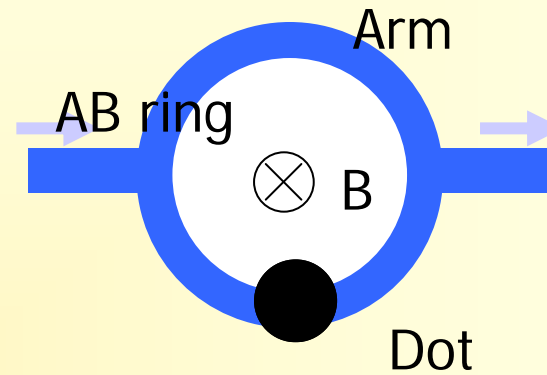
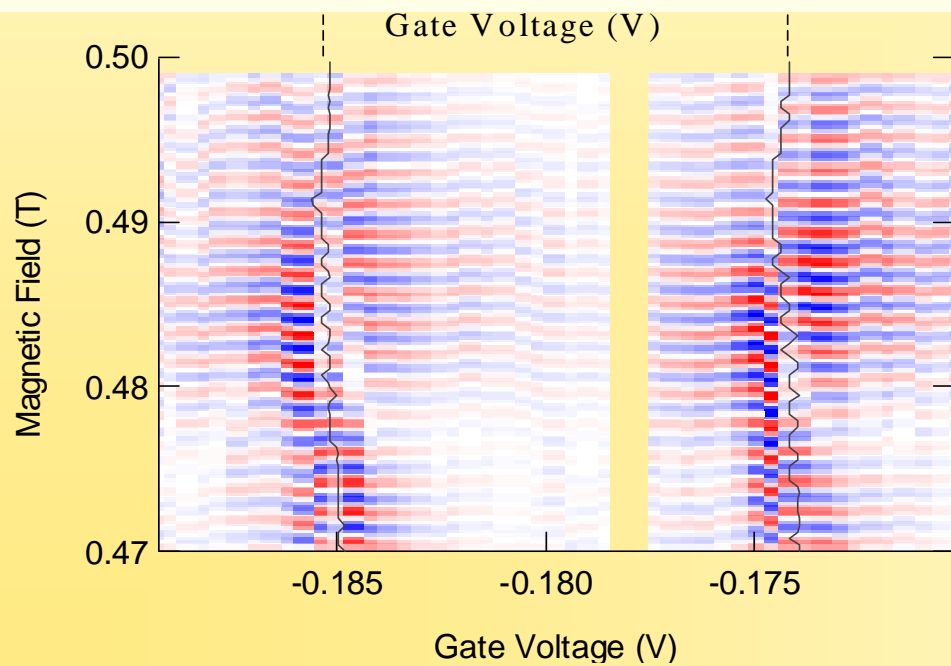
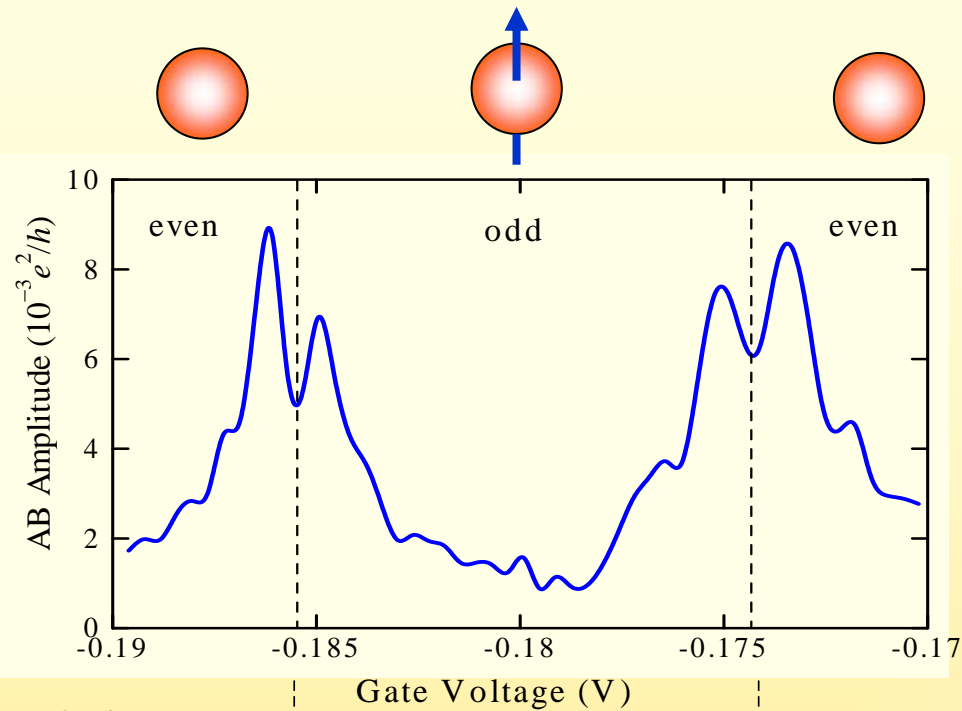
N:even  
no spin-flip scattering

N:odd  
spin-flip scattering  
exists

Spin-flip process reduces quantum coherence



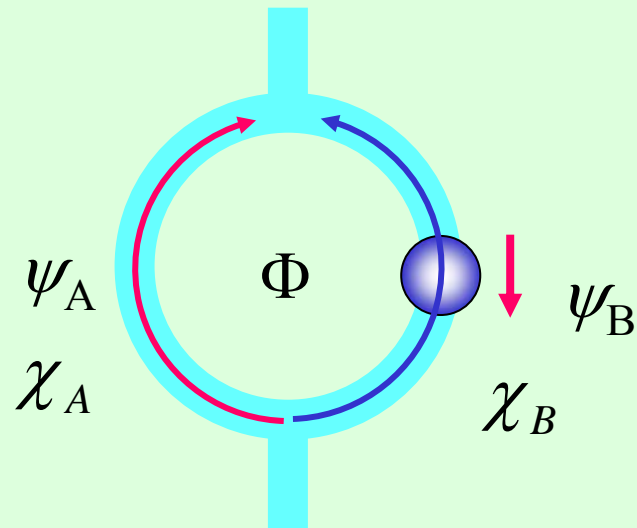
# AB amplitude for a spin-pair



H. Aikawa et al. PRL **92**, 176802 ('04)

# Quantum entanglement and decoherence

$$|\langle A|B\rangle|^2 = \frac{|\langle\psi_A|\psi_B\rangle|^2}{2}$$



$$\psi_A : |\psi_A \uparrow\rangle|d \downarrow\rangle$$

$$\psi_B : \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\psi_B \uparrow\rangle|d \downarrow\rangle - |\psi_B \downarrow\rangle|d \uparrow\rangle)$$

Quantum dot: creates entanglement between spin freedom and orbital freedom (A or B)

Spatially localized interaction causes entanglement with the orbital freedom

Decoherence occurred when the dot freedom is traced out



Suggestion: Degree of entanglement can be measured by decoherence when the freedoms in the other system are integrated out.

Question: Is this really decoherence?



# Schmidt decomposition

Two systems  $\mathcal{H}_A, \mathcal{H}_B$  states of them can be written as

$$|A\rangle = \sum_i^{d_A} c_i |\eta_i\rangle, \quad |B\rangle = \sum_j^{d_B} c_j |\xi_j\rangle$$

ex) Direct product (no entanglement)

$$|A\rangle \otimes |B\rangle = \sum_{i,j} c_i c_j |\eta_i\rangle |\xi_j\rangle$$

In general

$$|\psi_{AB}\rangle = \sum_{i,j}^{d_A, d_B} c_{ij} |\eta_i, \xi_j\rangle$$

Diferent basis  $u, v$  (Schmidt decomposition)

$$|\psi_{AB}\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^d d_k |u_k, v_k\rangle, \quad \sum_{k=1}^d d_k^2 = 1 \quad (d = \min(d_A, d_B))$$

Density matrix after tracing out of each other's degree of freedom

$$\rho_A = \sum d_k^2 |u_k\rangle \langle u_k|, \quad \rho_B = \sum d_k^2 |v_k\rangle \langle v_k|$$

# Quantification of Entanglement

$$\rho_A = \sum d_k^2 |u_k\rangle\langle u_k|, \quad \rho_B = \sum d_k^2 |v_k\rangle\langle v_k|$$

“Entanglement entropy” or “von Neumann entropy”

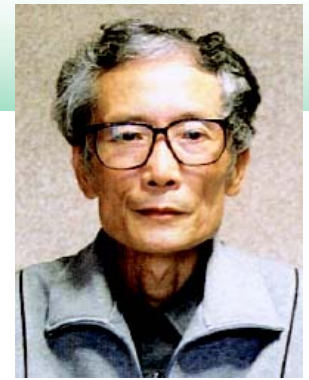
$$E(|\psi_{AB}\rangle) = S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) = - \sum_{k=1}^d d_k^2 \log_2(d_k^2)$$

$$S(\rho) = -\text{Tr} \rho \log \rho$$

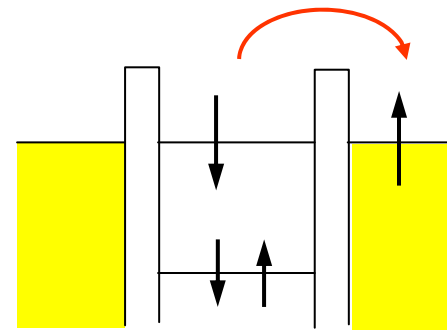
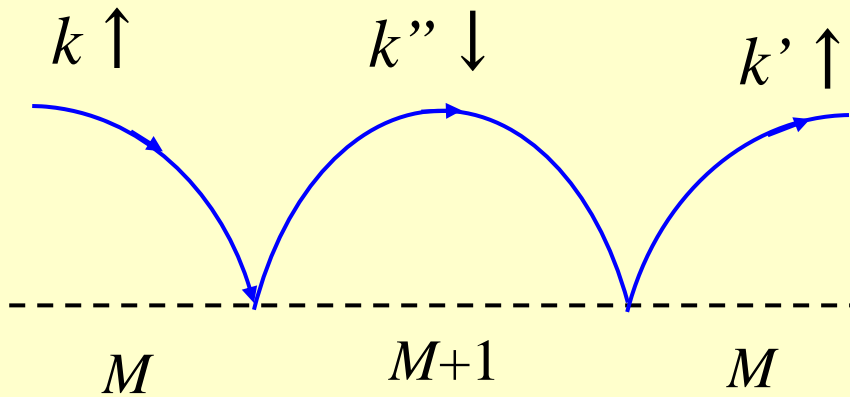
ex)  $|\Psi_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\phi_\downarrow\rangle |\chi_\uparrow\rangle - |\phi_\uparrow\rangle |\chi_\downarrow\rangle)$        $|\phi_\downarrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathcal{N}}} \sum_{k>k_F} \Gamma_k c_{k\downarrow}^\dagger |F\rangle$

$$\rho_{\text{im}} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad S(\rho_{\text{im}}) = 1 \quad \text{Maximally entangled}$$

# The Kondo Effect

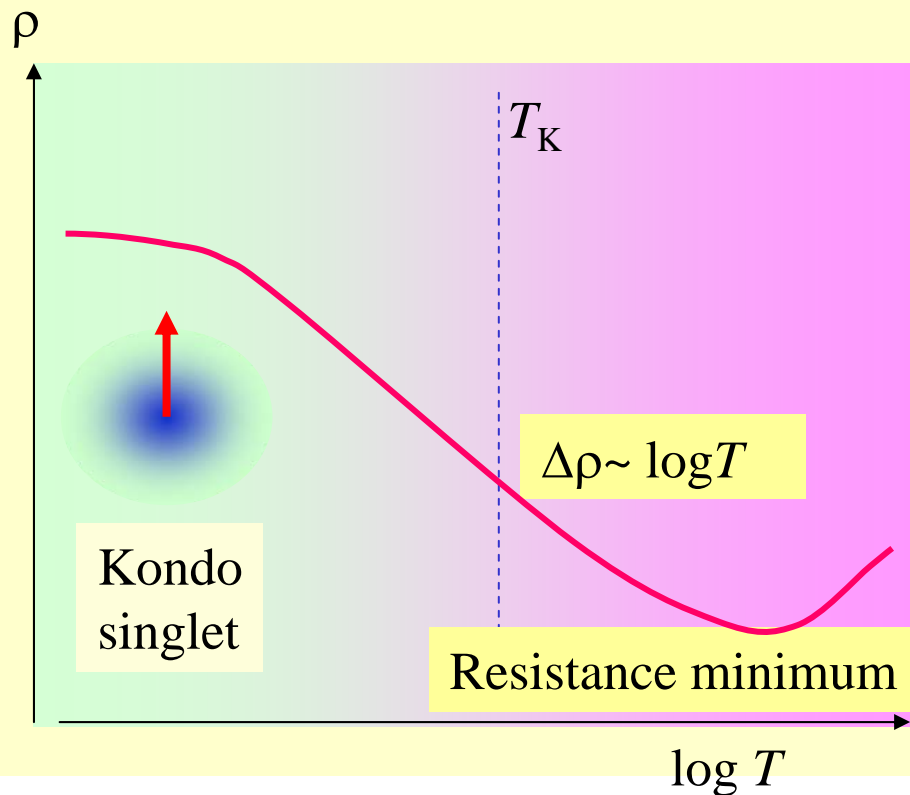


Jun Kondo



**Really decoherence?**

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|s \uparrow\rangle |d \downarrow\rangle - |s \downarrow\rangle |d \uparrow\rangle)$$



Spin-flip scattering  
Shield of local moment  
Kondo singlet

**Recovery of coherence?**

## Closed-Form Solution for the Collective Bound State due to the $s$ - $d$ Exchange Interaction

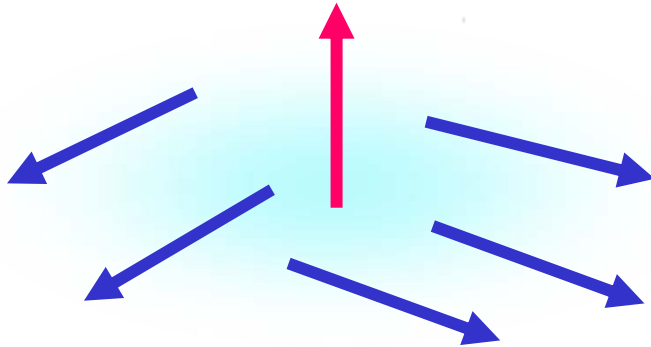
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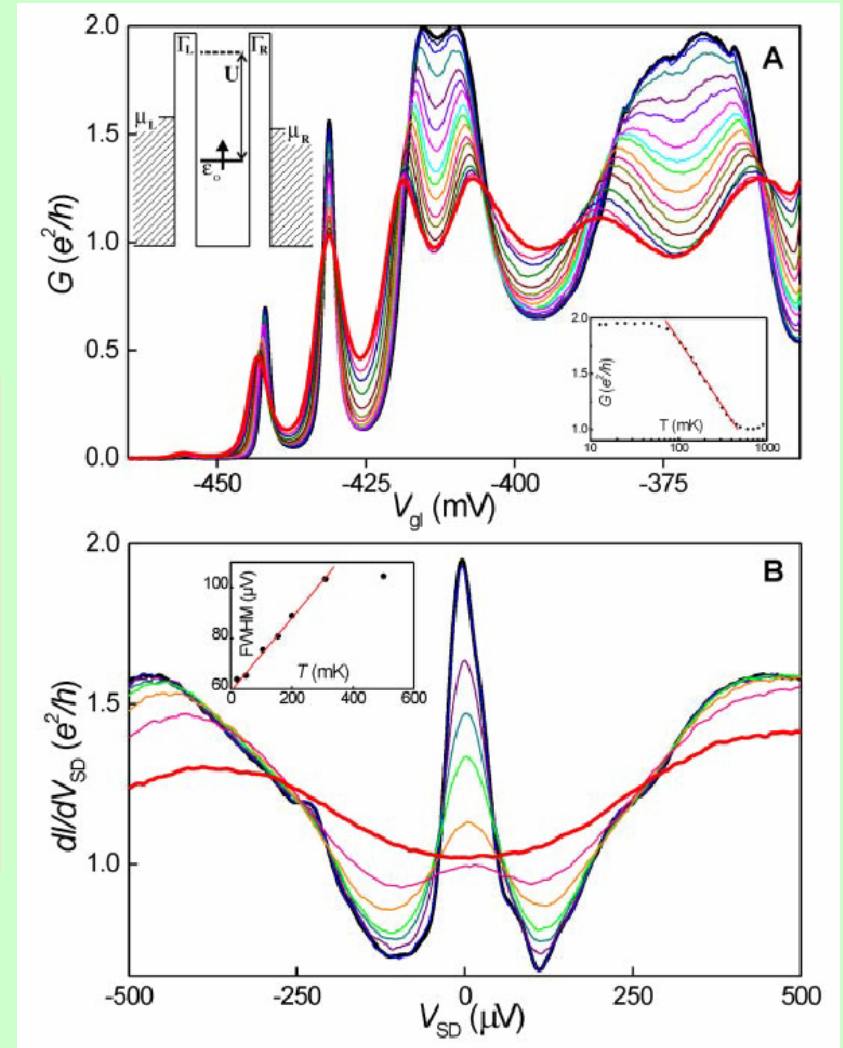
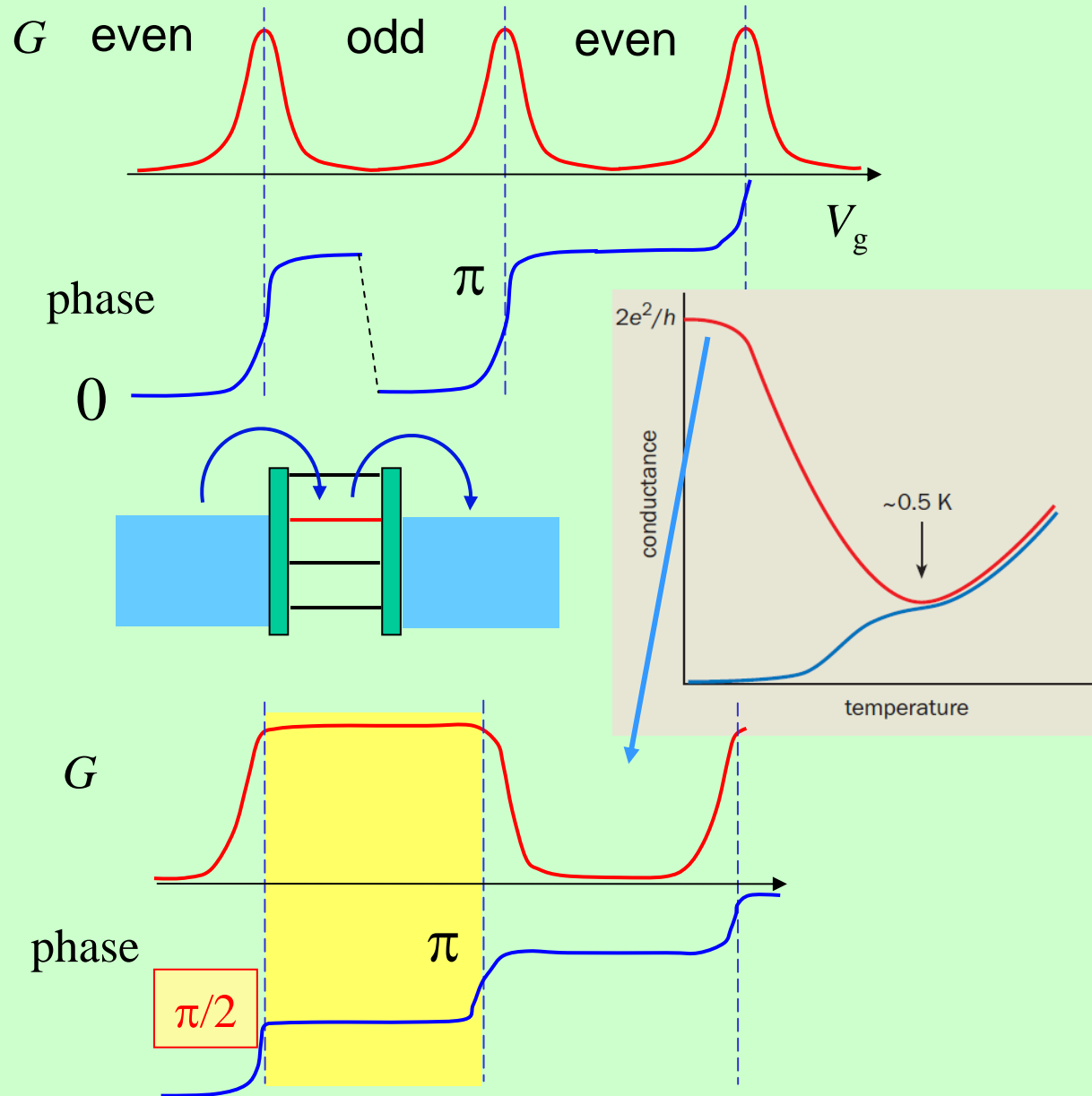
(Received 6 September 1967)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi = & \left\{ \sum_k \left[ \Gamma_k^\alpha a_{k\downarrow}^\dagger \alpha + \Gamma_k^\beta a_{k\uparrow}^\dagger \beta \right] \longrightarrow \left( |s\uparrow\rangle |d\downarrow\rangle - |s\downarrow\rangle |d\uparrow\rangle \right) \right. \\
 & + \sum_{k_1 k_2 k_3} \left[ \Gamma_{k_1 k_2 k_3}^{\alpha\downarrow} a_{k_1\downarrow}^\dagger a_{k_2\downarrow}^\dagger a_{k_3\downarrow} \alpha + \Gamma_{k_1 k_2 k_3}^{\beta\uparrow} a_{k_1\uparrow}^\dagger a_{k_2\uparrow}^\dagger a_{k_3\uparrow} \beta \right. \\
 & \left. + \Gamma_{k_1 k_2 k_3}^{\alpha\uparrow} a_{k_1\downarrow}^\dagger a_{k_2\uparrow}^\dagger a_{k_3\uparrow} \alpha + \Gamma_{k_1 k_2 k_3}^{\beta\downarrow} a_{k_1\uparrow}^\dagger a_{k_2\downarrow}^\dagger a_{k_3\downarrow} \beta \right] \\
 & \left. + \dots \right\} \psi_v, \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Fermi State



# The Kondo Effect in a Quantum Dot System



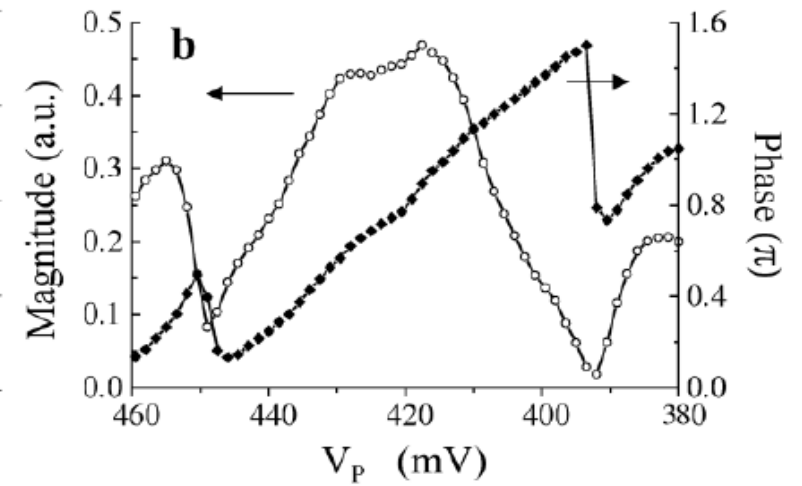
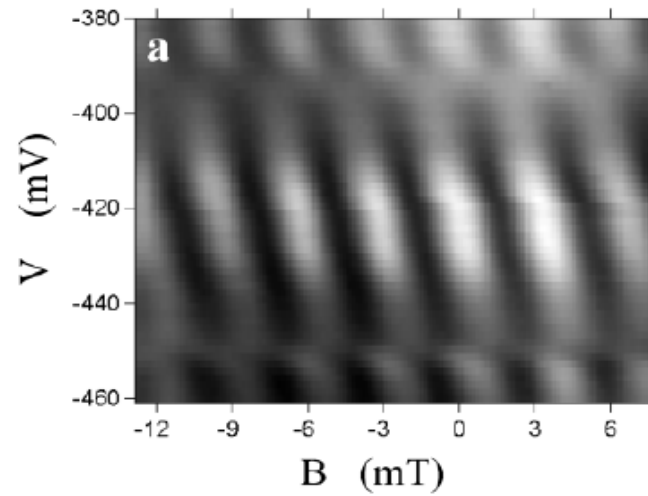
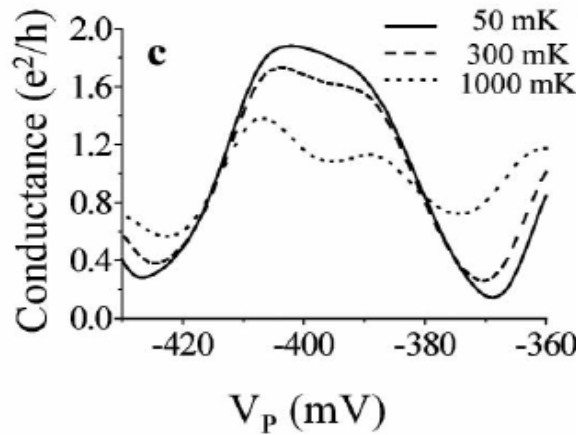
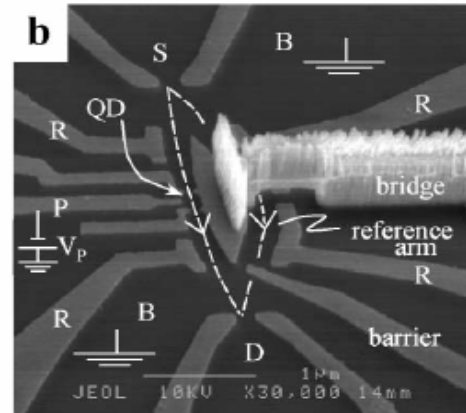
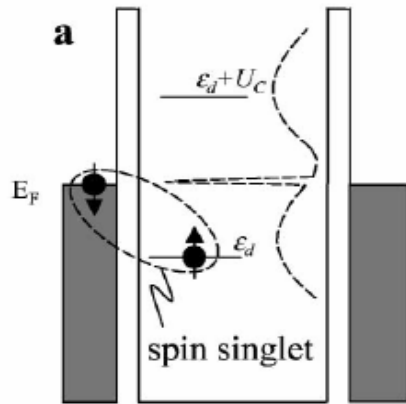
W. G. van der Wiel et al.  
 Science **289**, 2105 (2000).



# “Phase Sensitive” Measurement

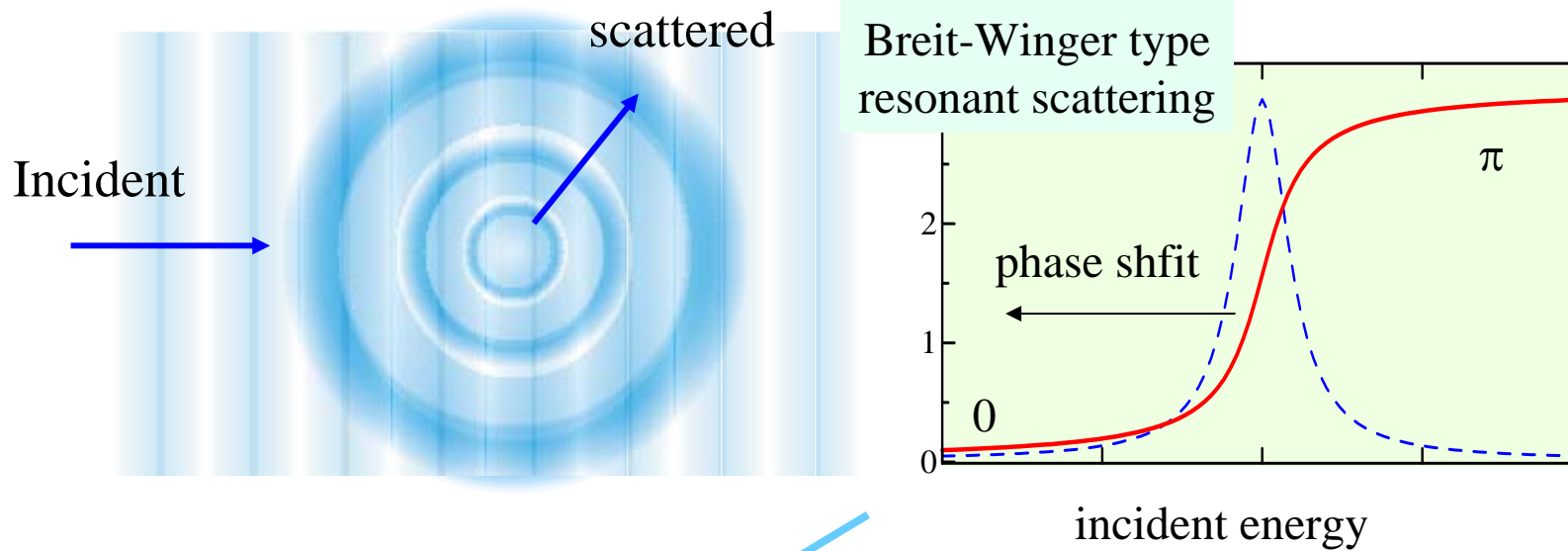
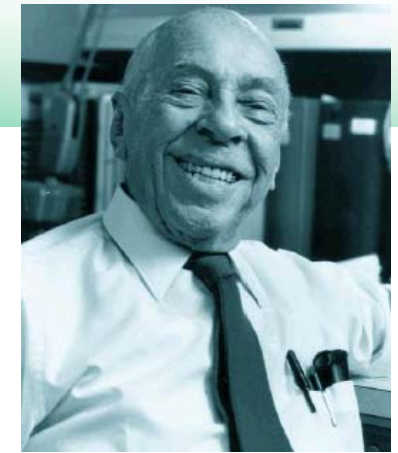
No phase shift locking to  $\pi/2$  ?  
Breakdown of Anderson impurity model?

Y. Ji et al. PRL 88, 076601 (2002)



# The Fano effect

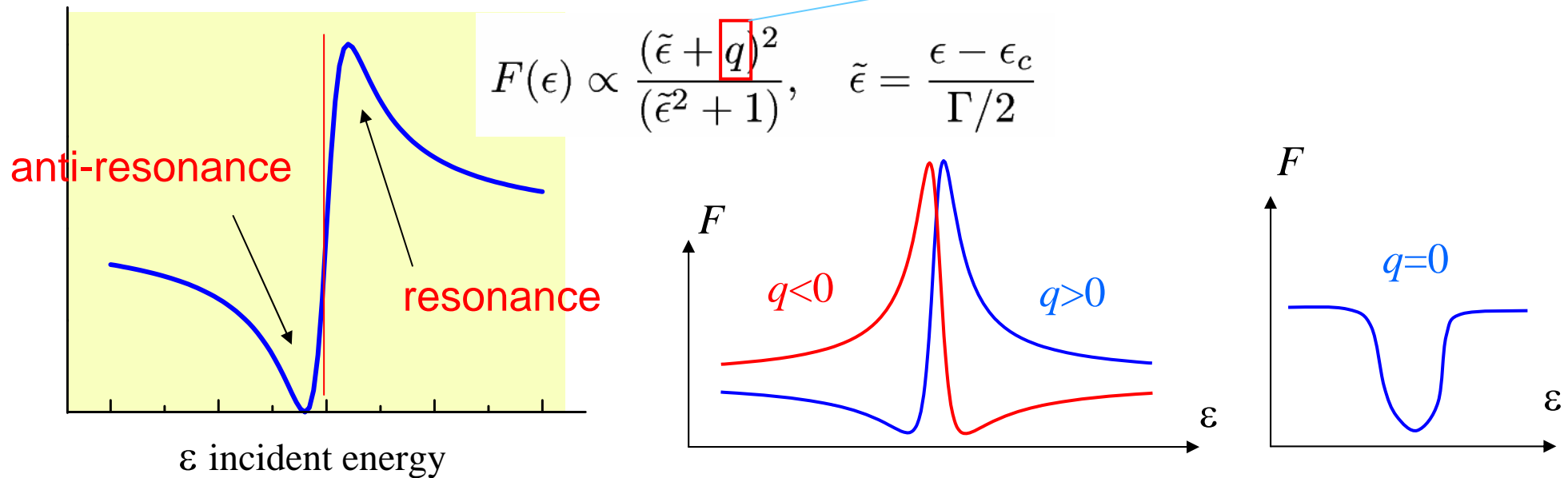
Ugo Fano



$F(\epsilon)$  : transition probability

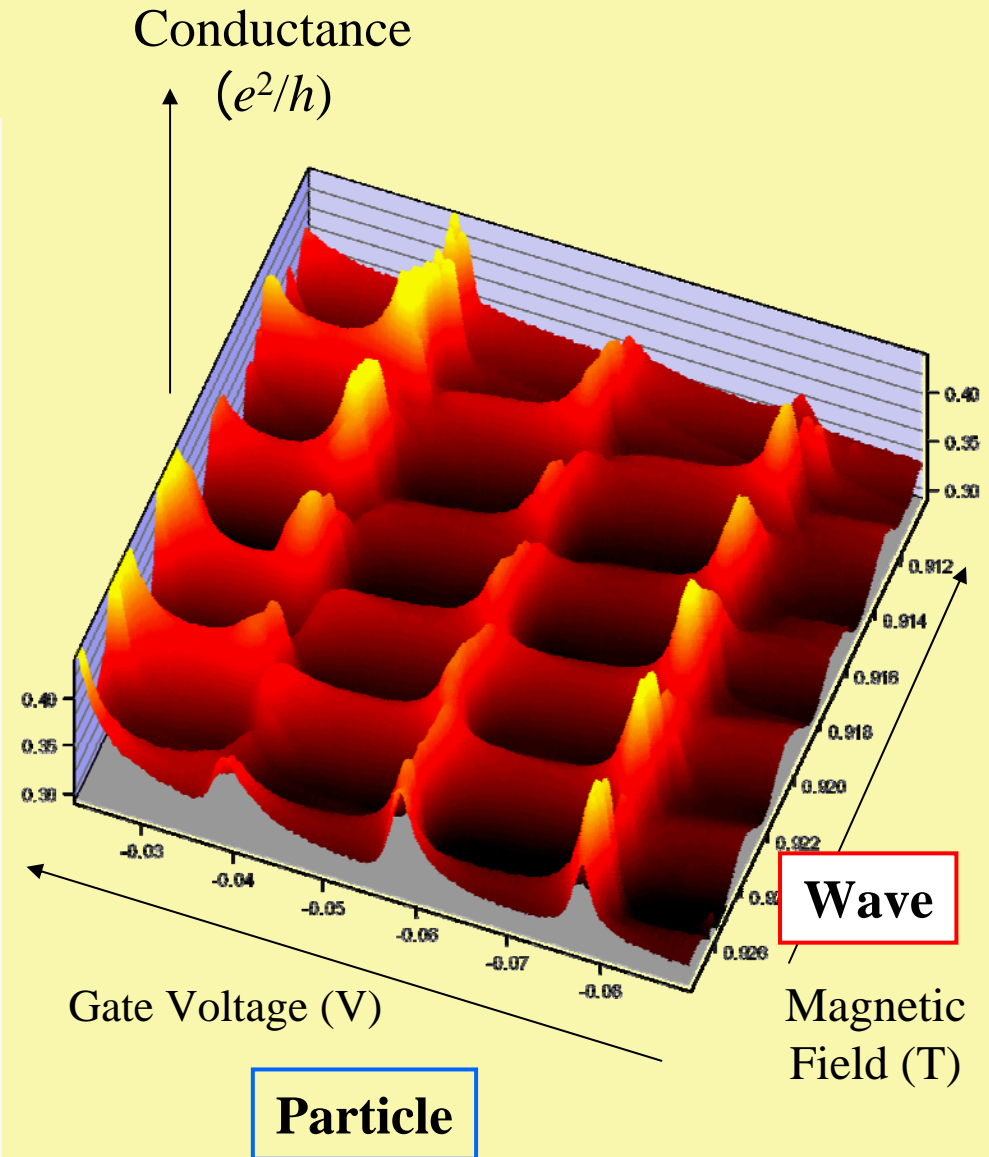
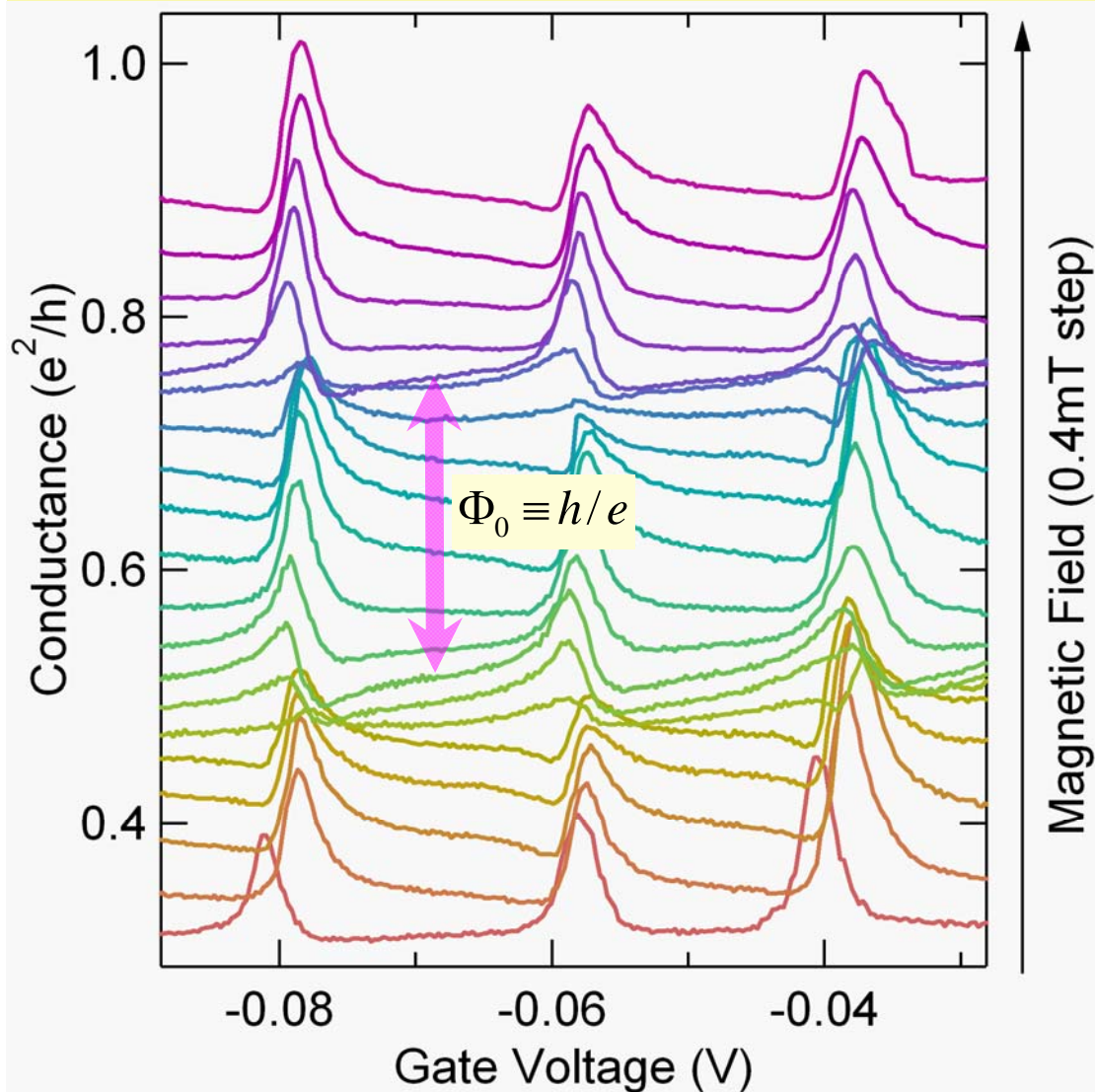
interference

Fano parameter

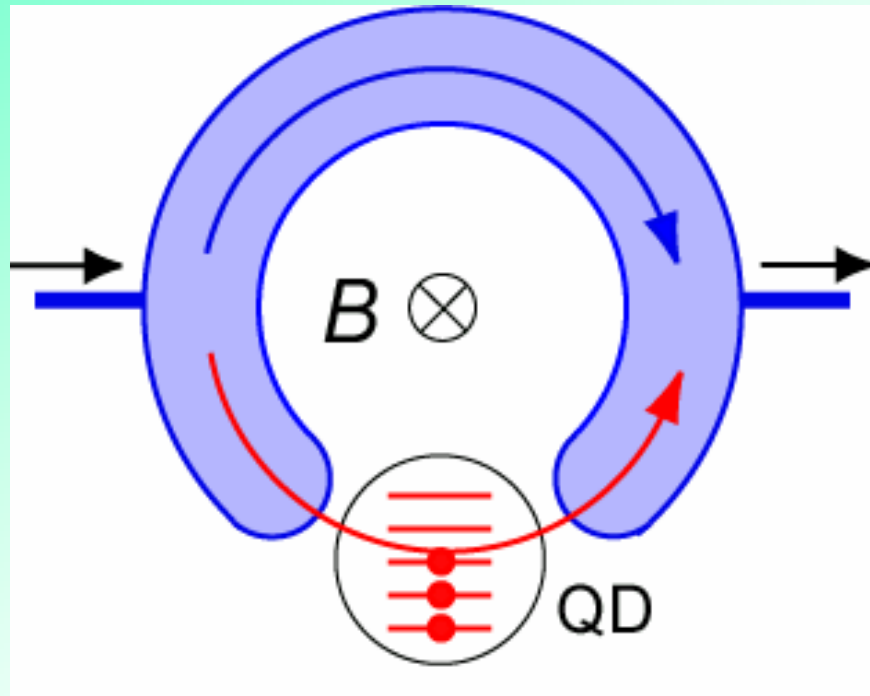




# Effect of magnetic flux

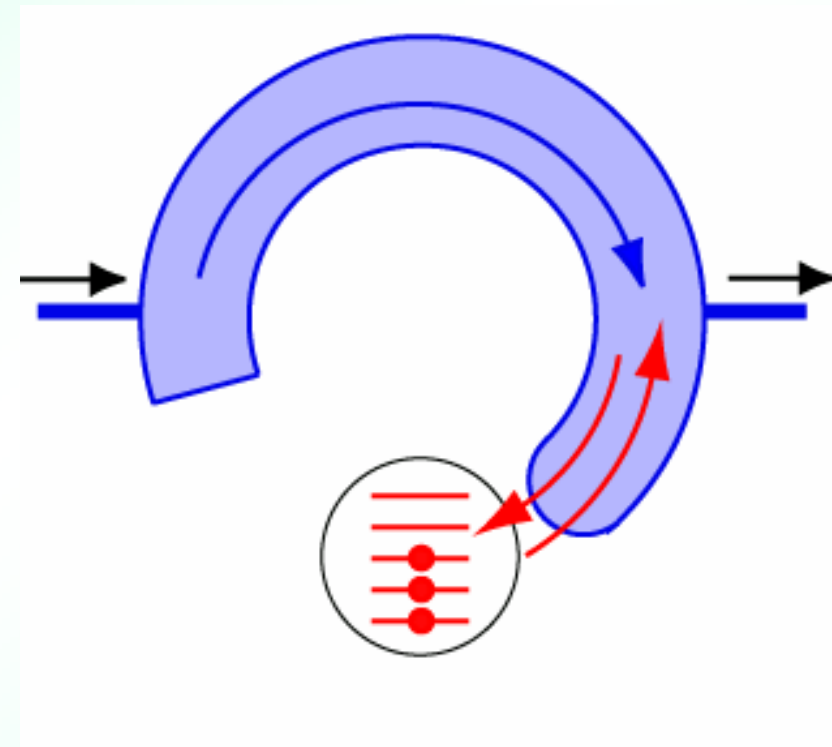


# Fano effect in side-coupled dot geometry



**QD-AB-ring system**

Fano effect  
in the **transmission** mode.  
(Mach-Zender-like)

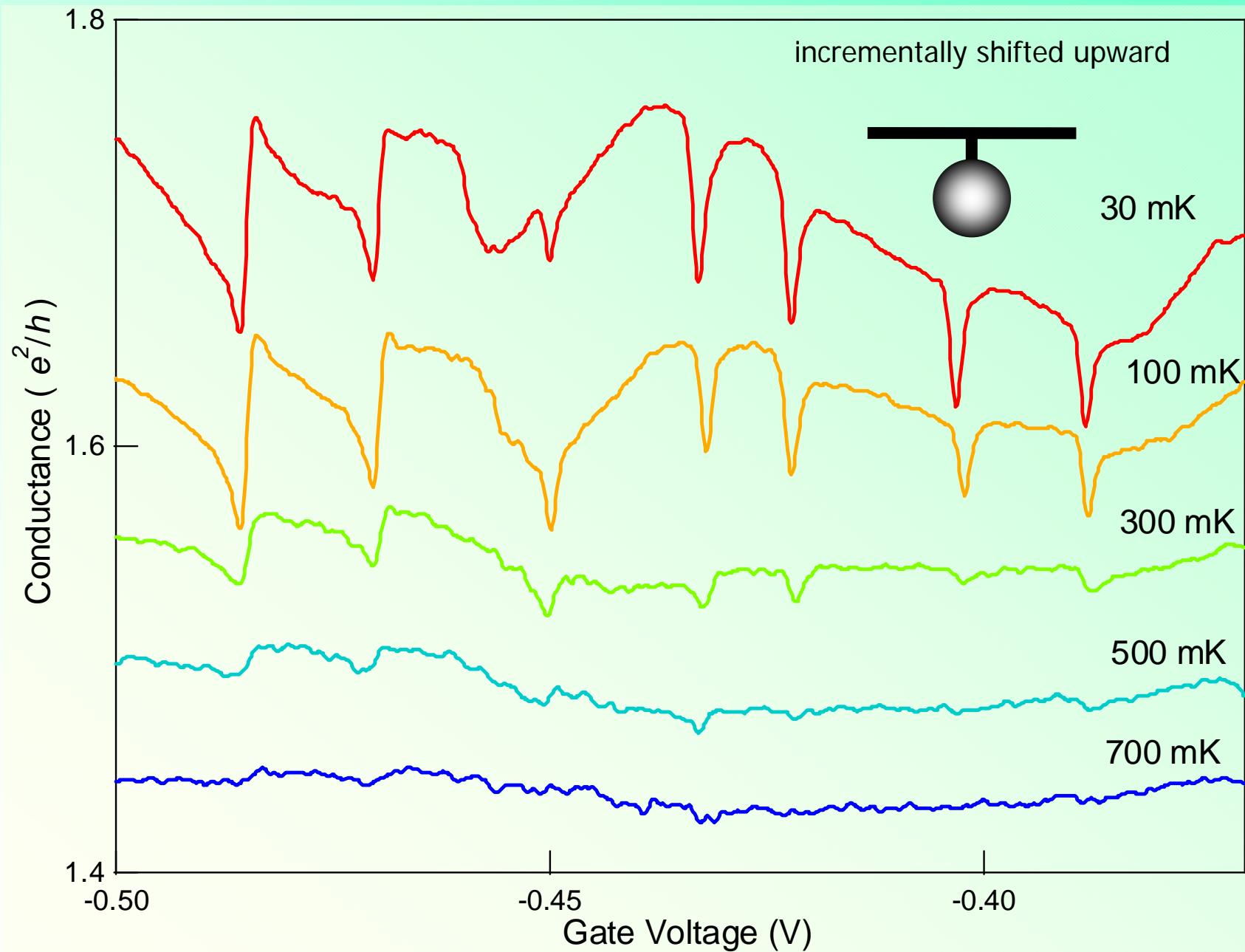


**T-coupled quantum dot**

Fano effect  
in the **reflection** mode.  
(stub-type or Michelson-type)



# Emergence of non-local Coulomb “dips” with Fano distortion





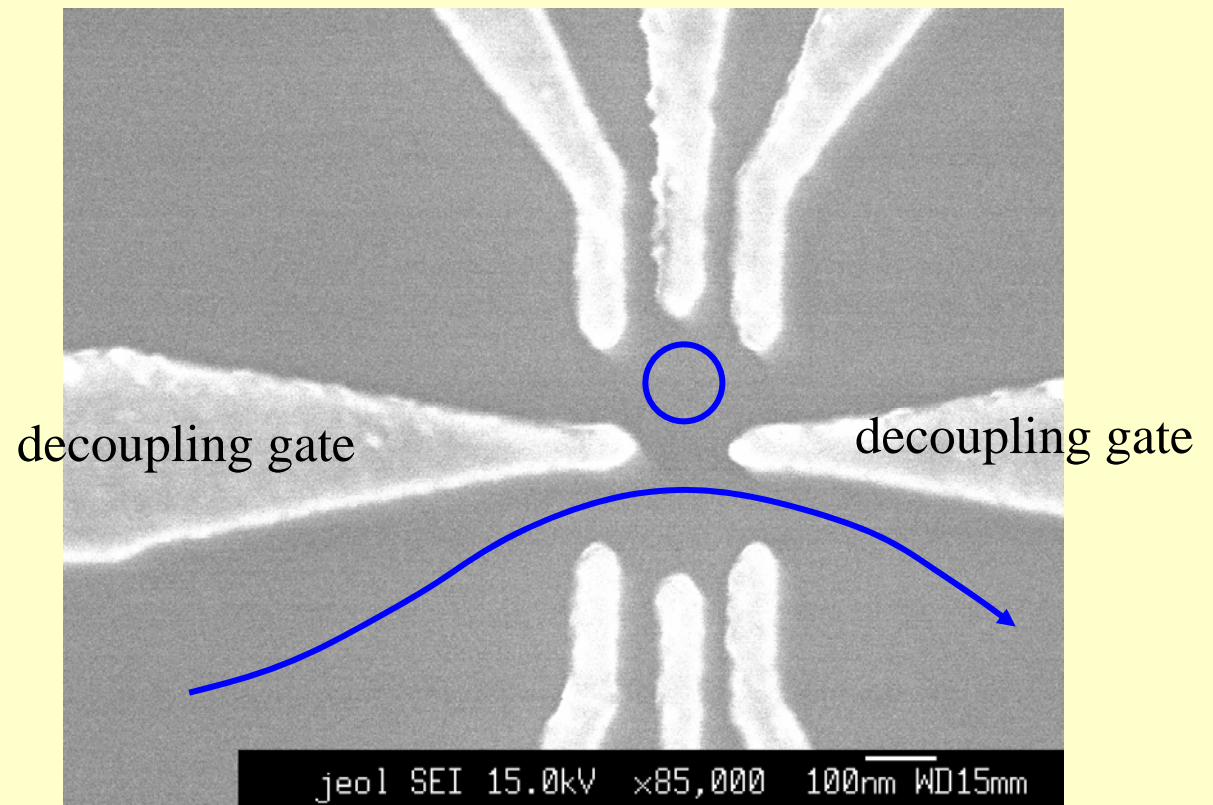
# T-coupled Quantum Dot-Wire Hybrid



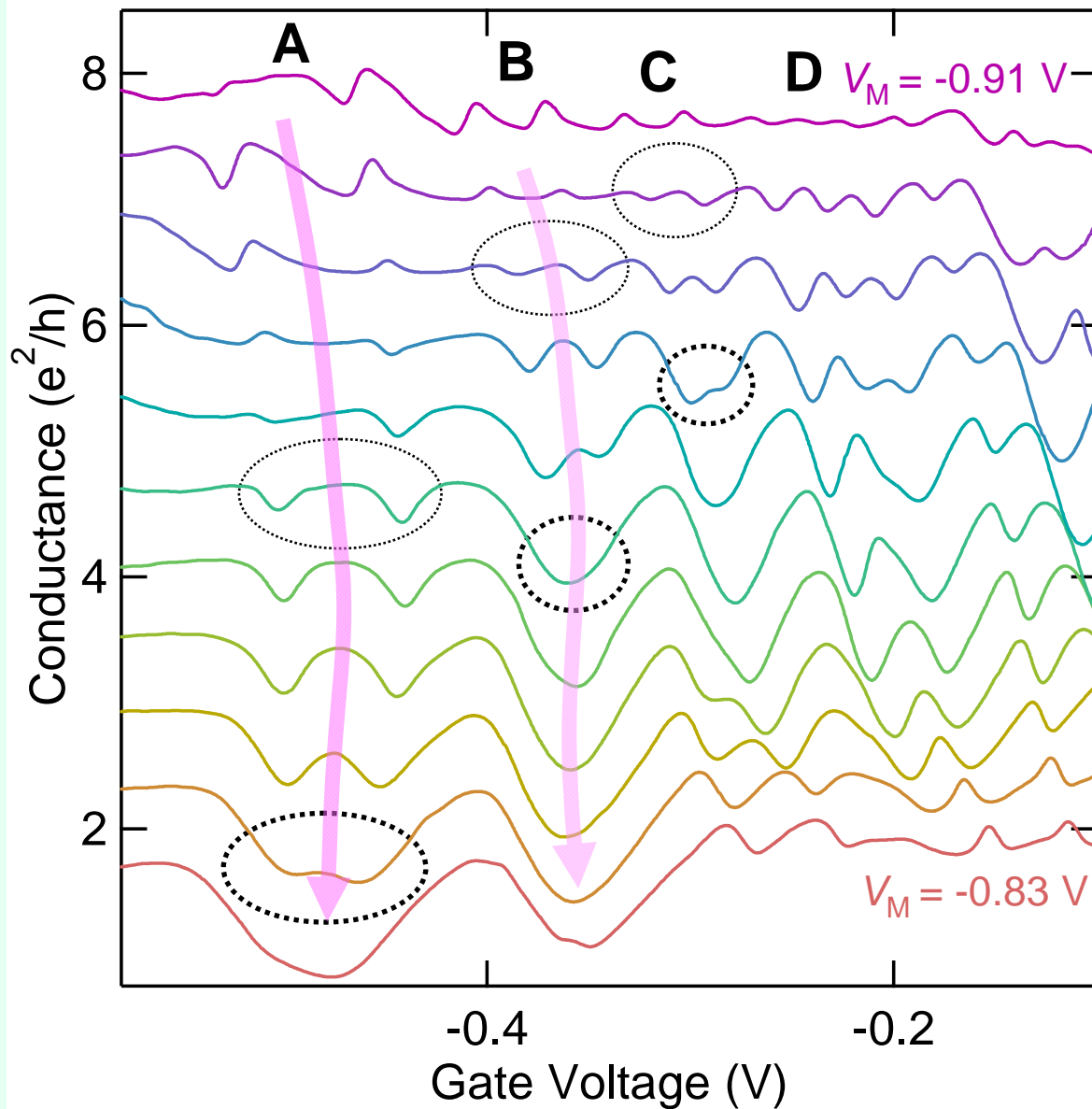
- $U = 0.3 - 0.7 \text{ meV}$
- $\Delta = 0.3 - 0.5 \text{ meV}$
- Dot diameter  $\sim 50 \text{ nm}$

Spatially compact  
-> high coherence

Single connection point  
-> small dot size is available

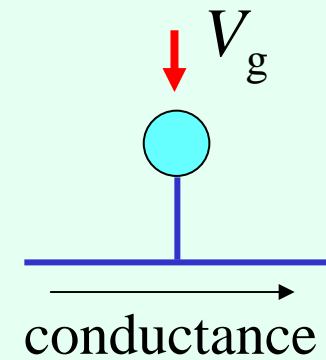


# Coupling strength dependence of anti-resonance



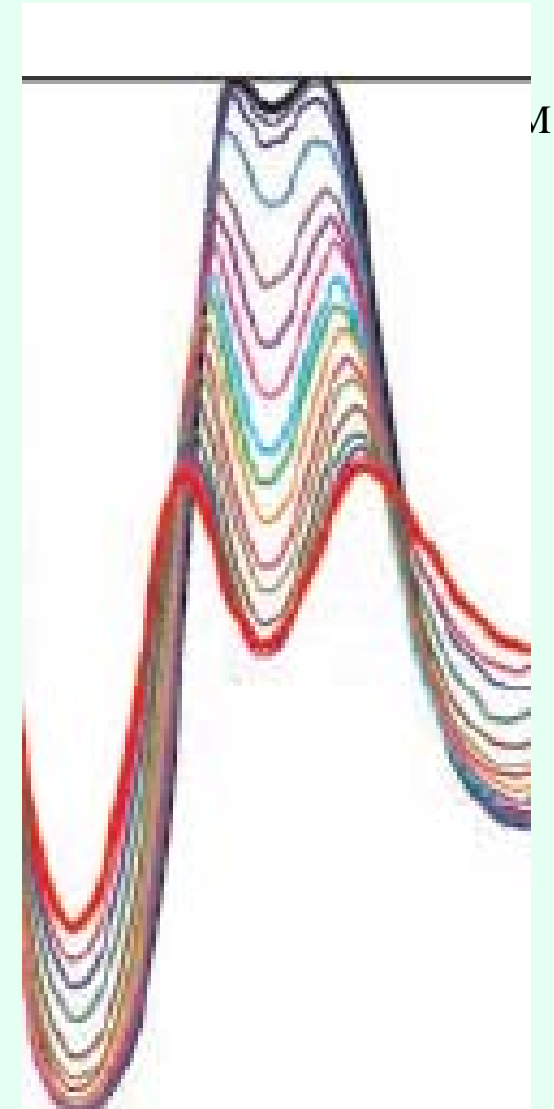
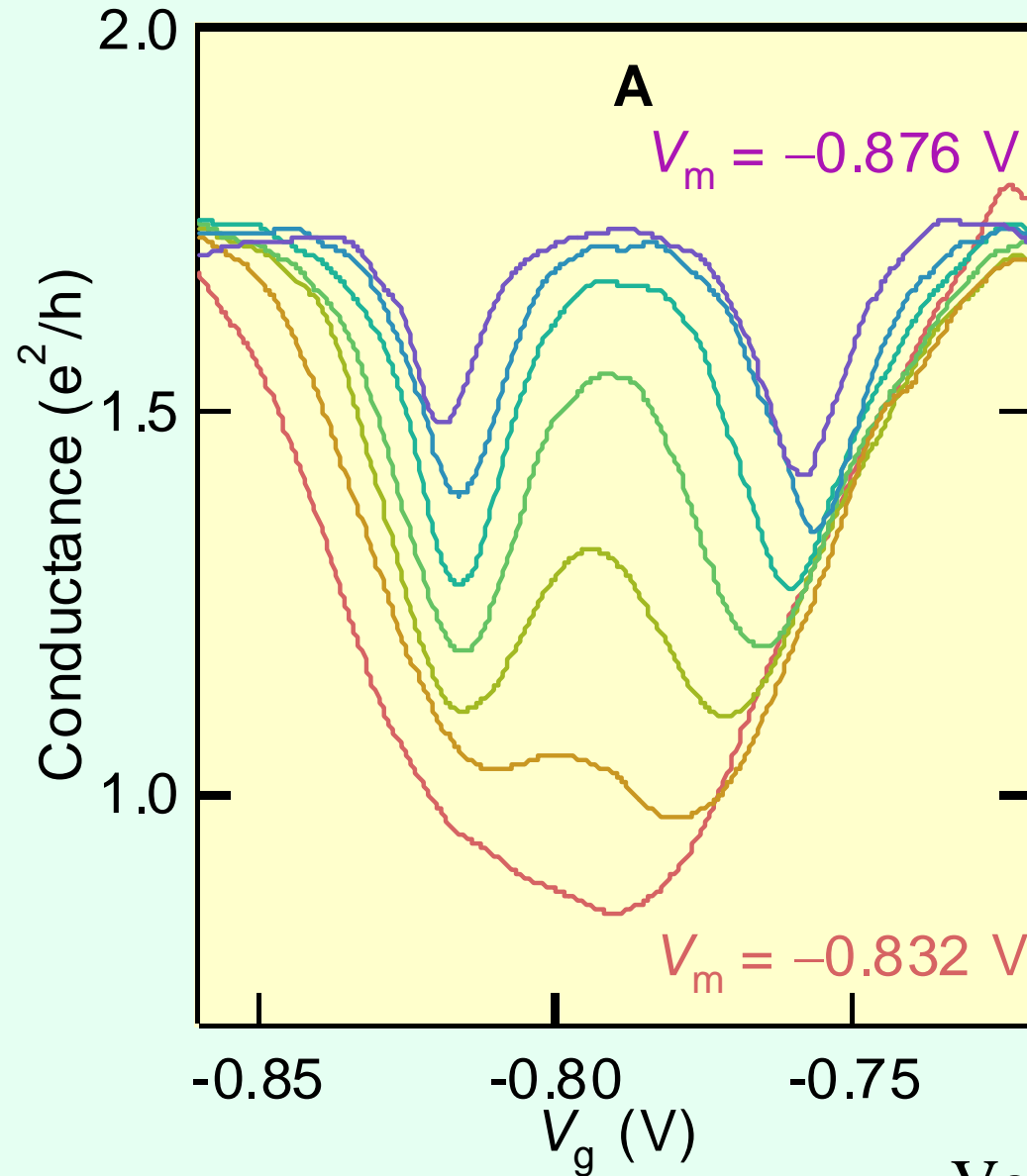
coupling : weak

Decoupling gate  $V_M$   
: 8mV pitch



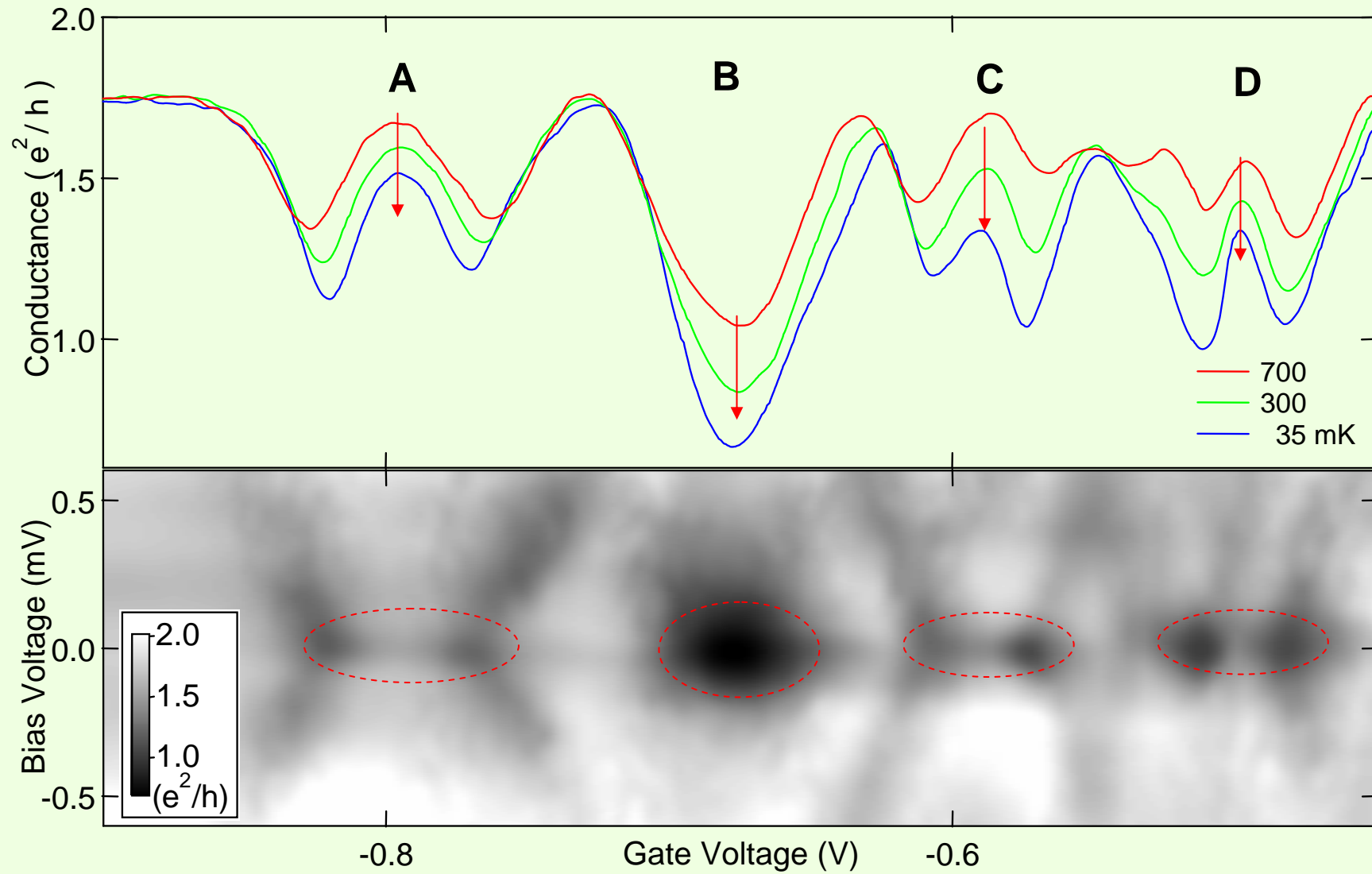
coupling : strong

# Coupling strength dependence of anti-resonance



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# Observation of Fano-Kondo anti-resonance

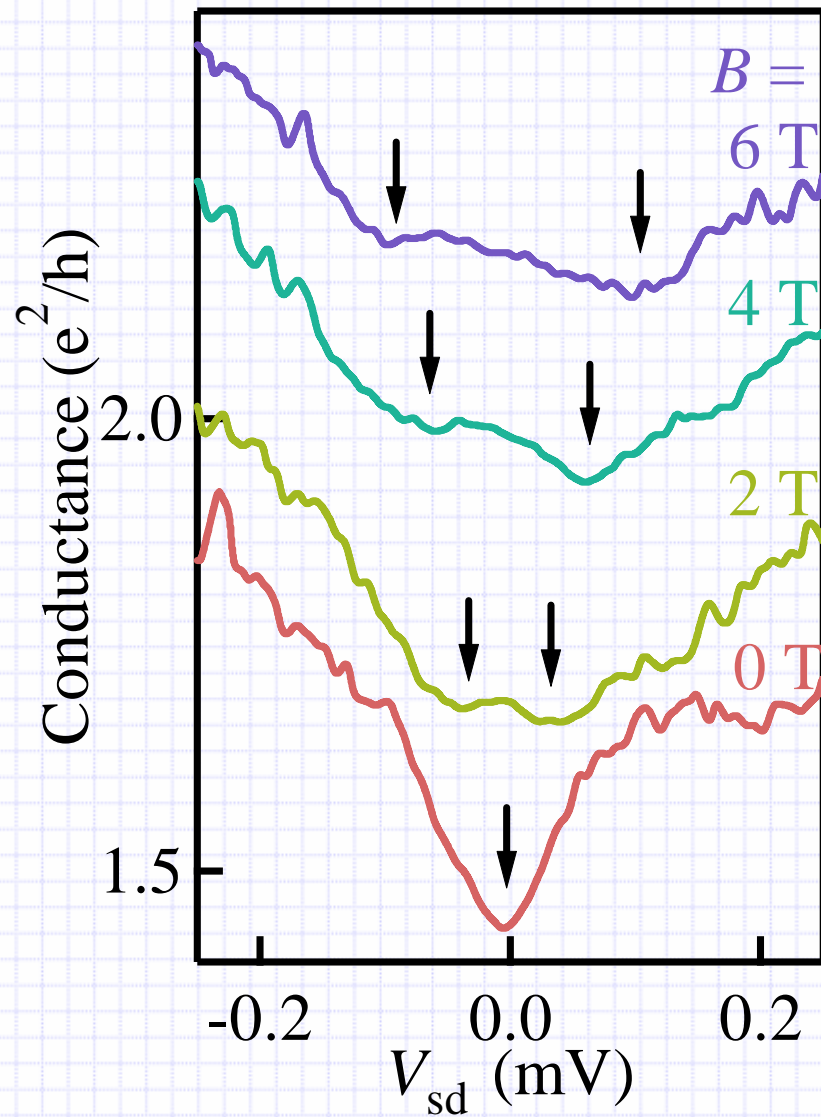


M. Sato et al. PRL.

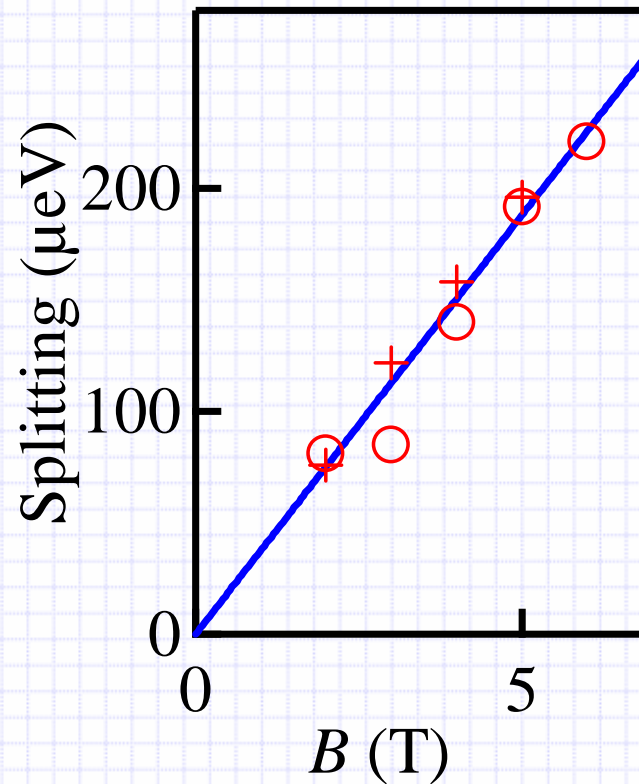




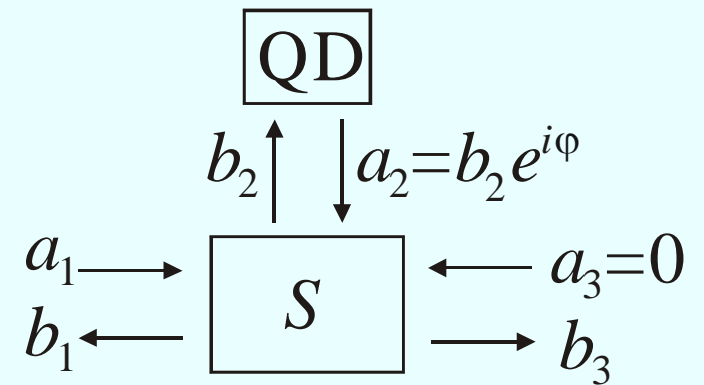
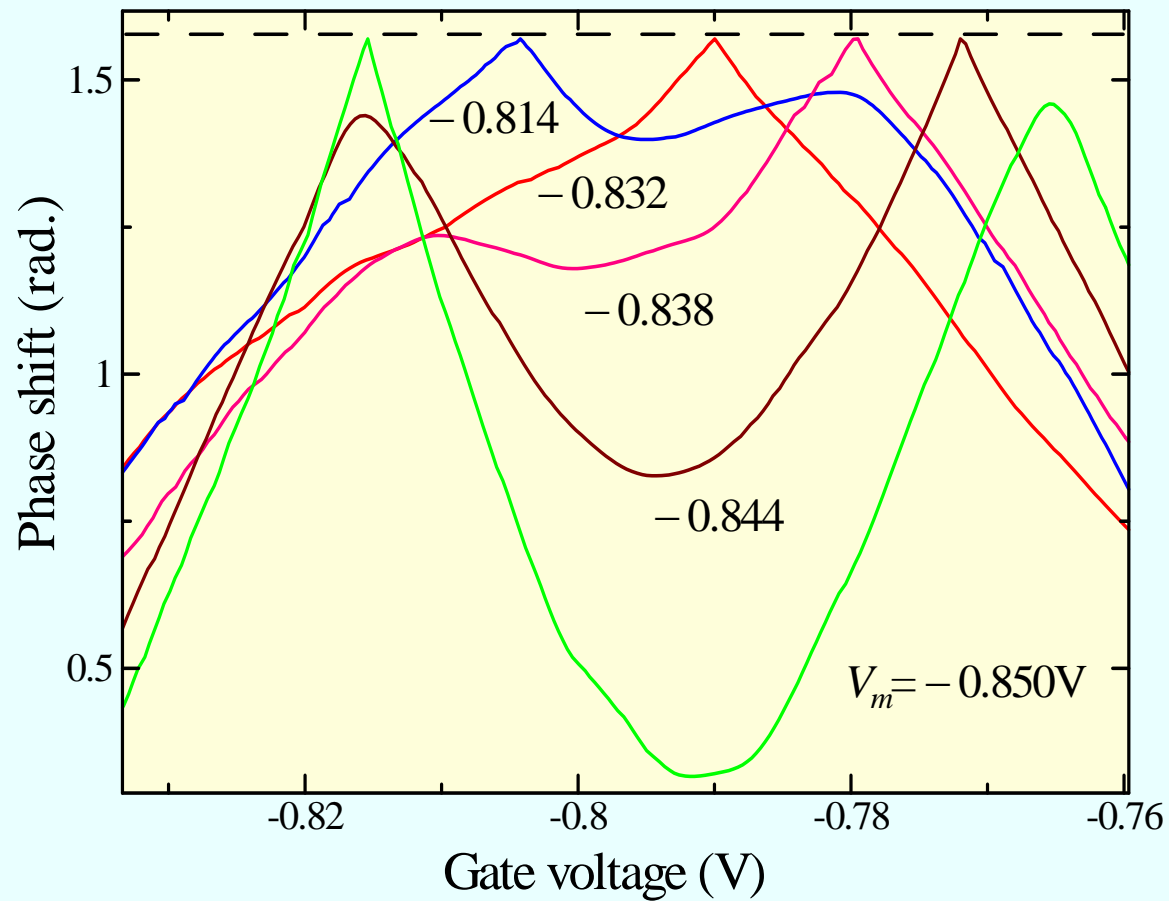
# Zeeman splitting



Zeeman splitting of zero bias dip  
proportional to  $B$  ( $|g|=0.33$ )



# Phase shift locking to $\pi/2$

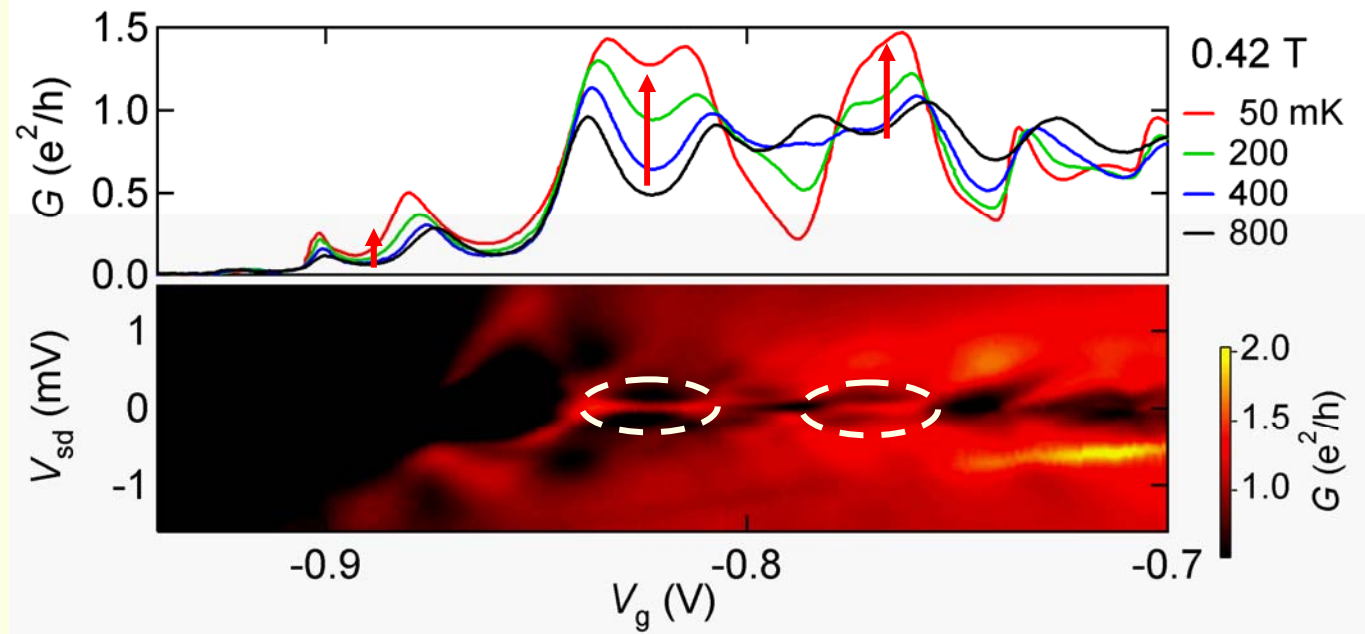




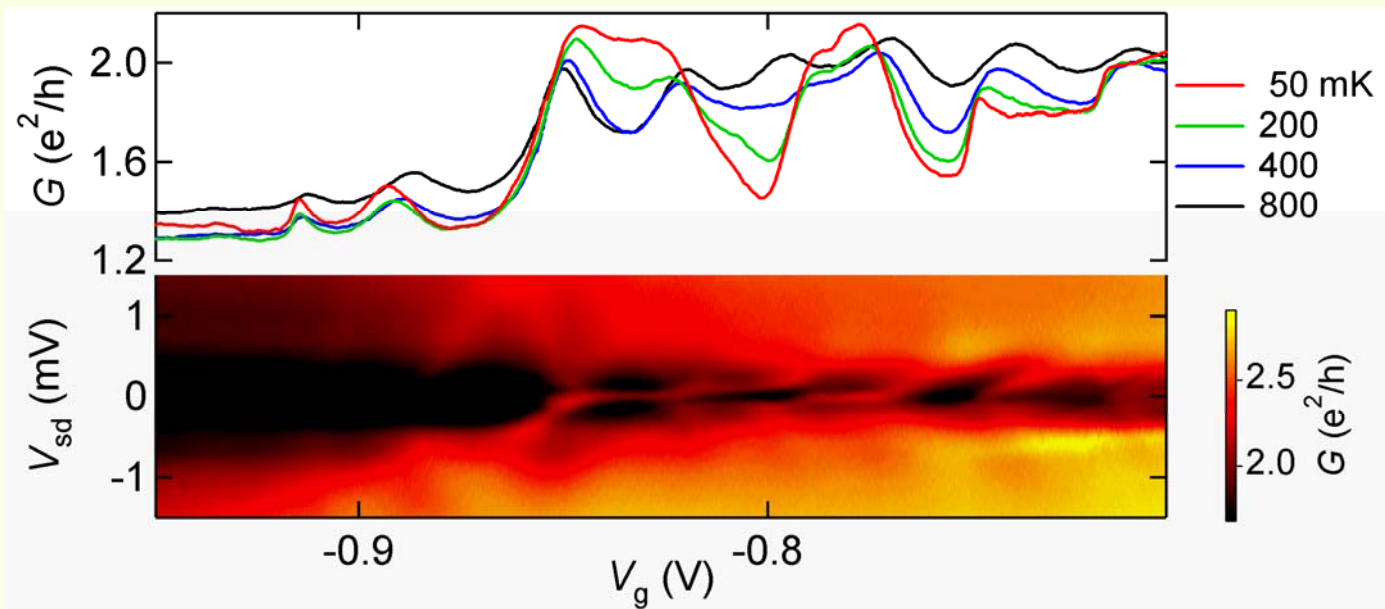
# The Kondo Effect



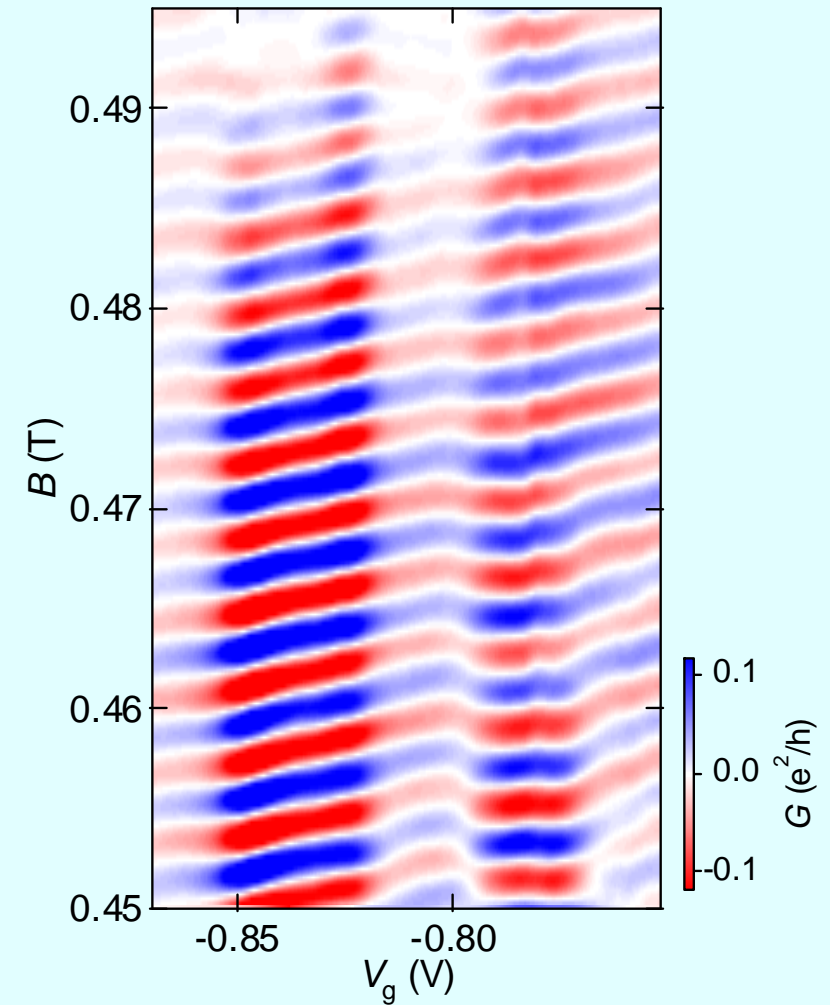
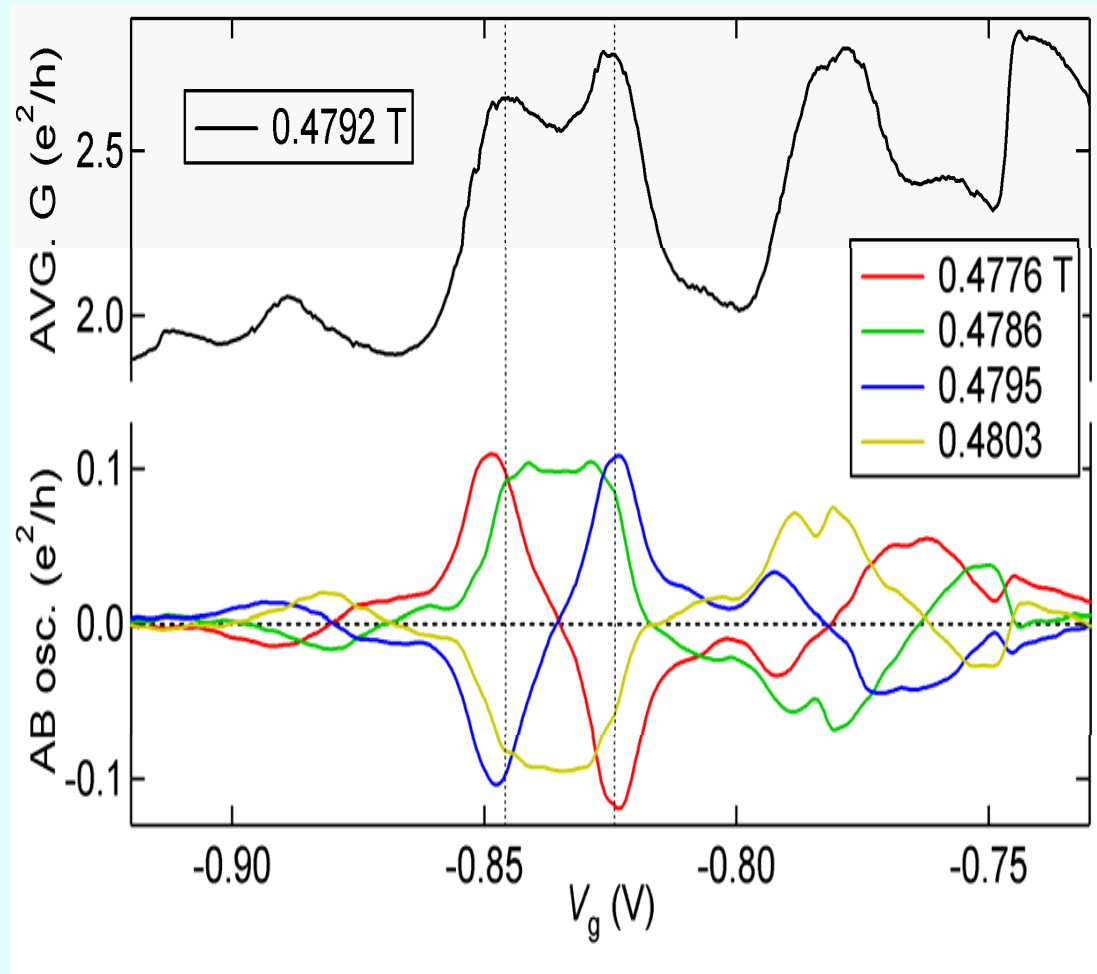
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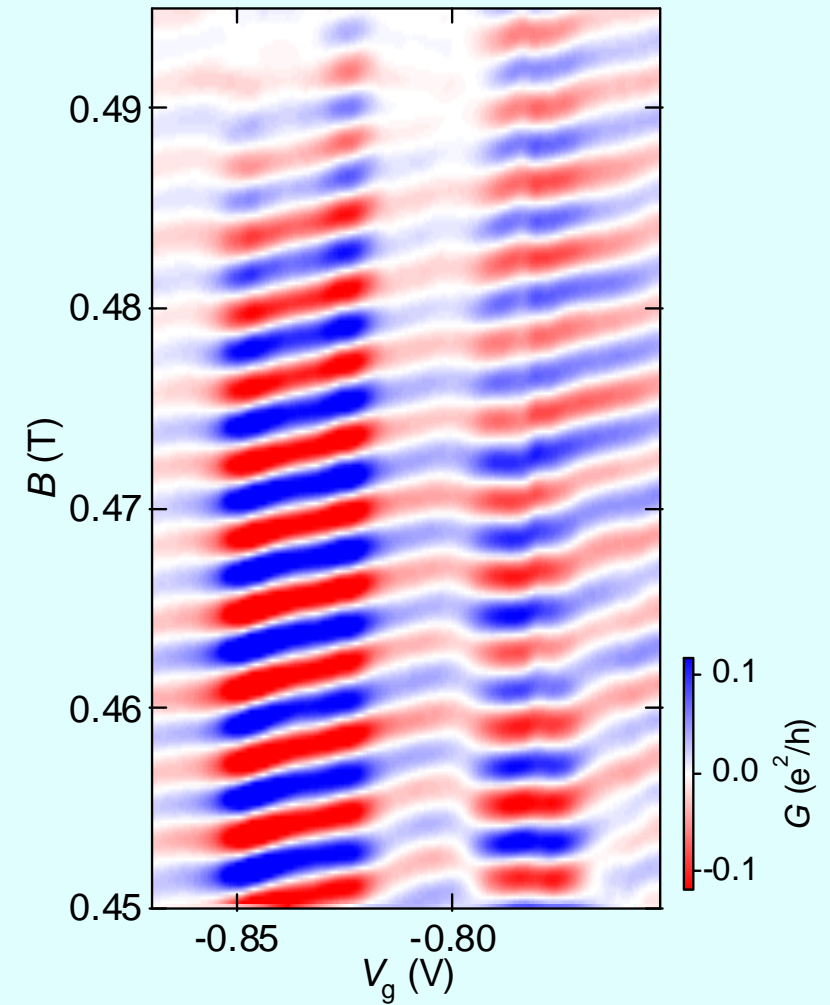
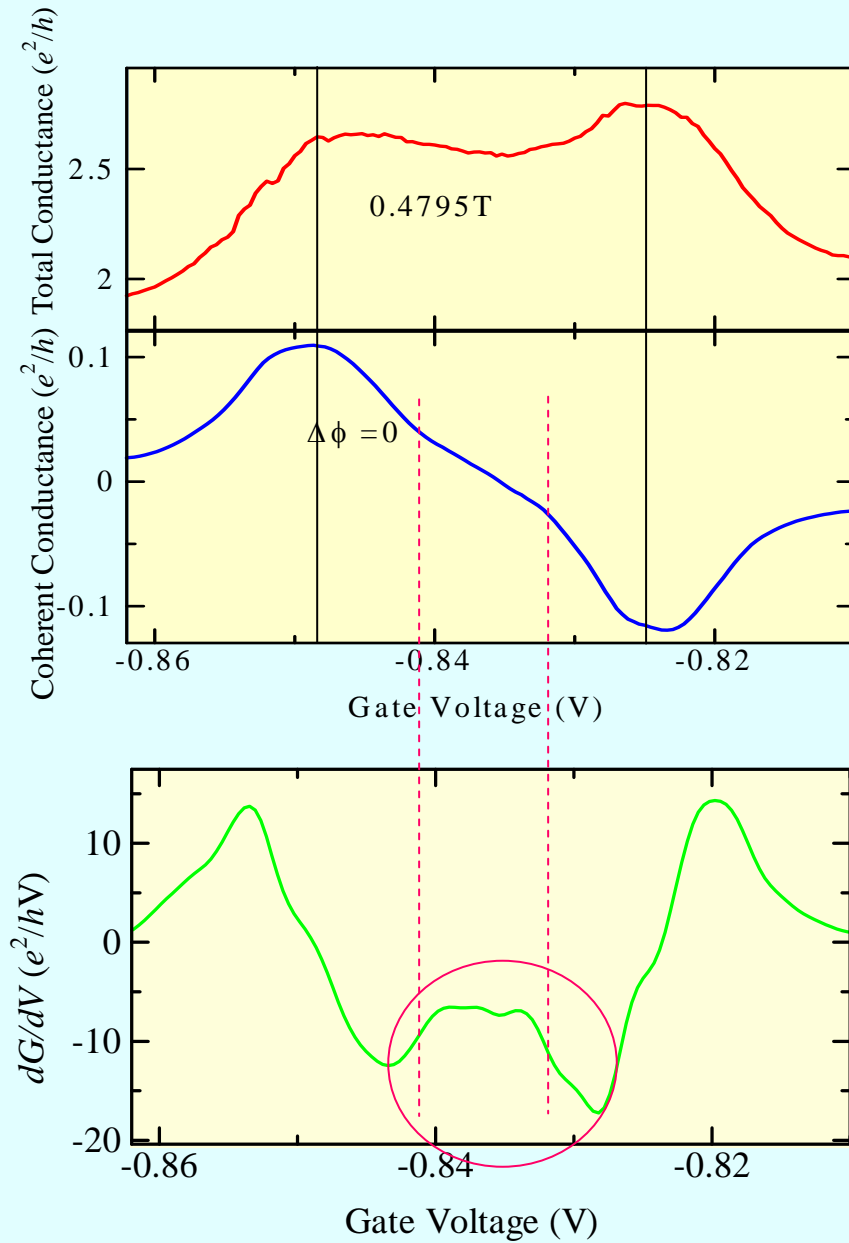


# “Coherent” component and the Fano-Kondo Effect

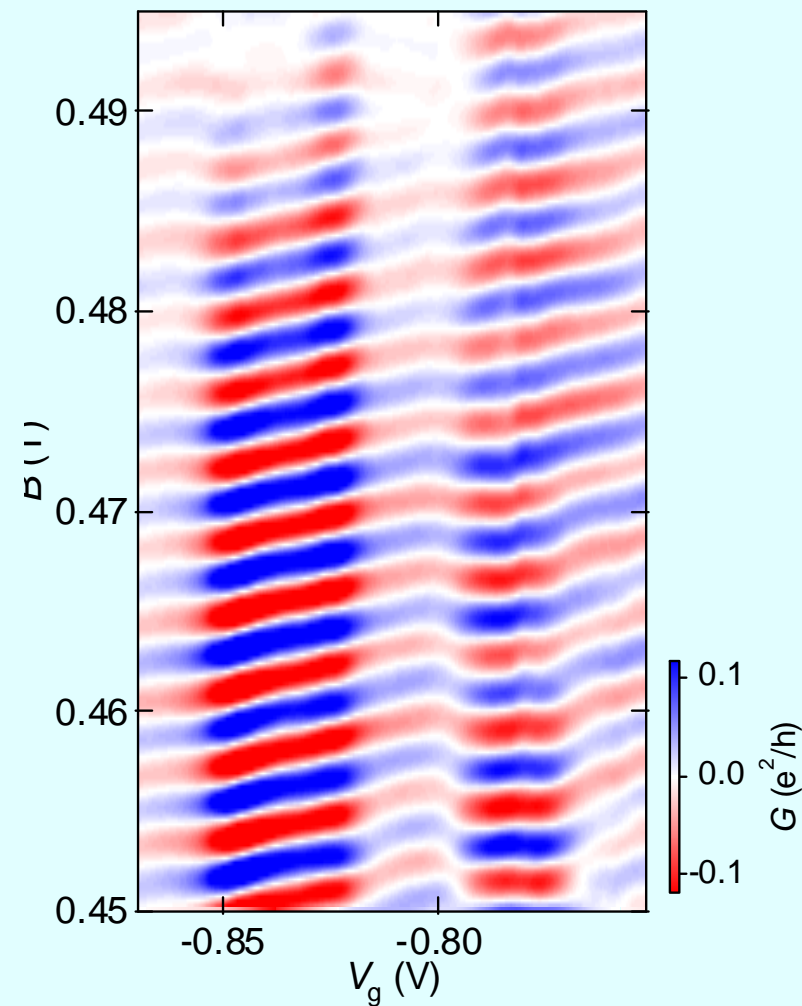
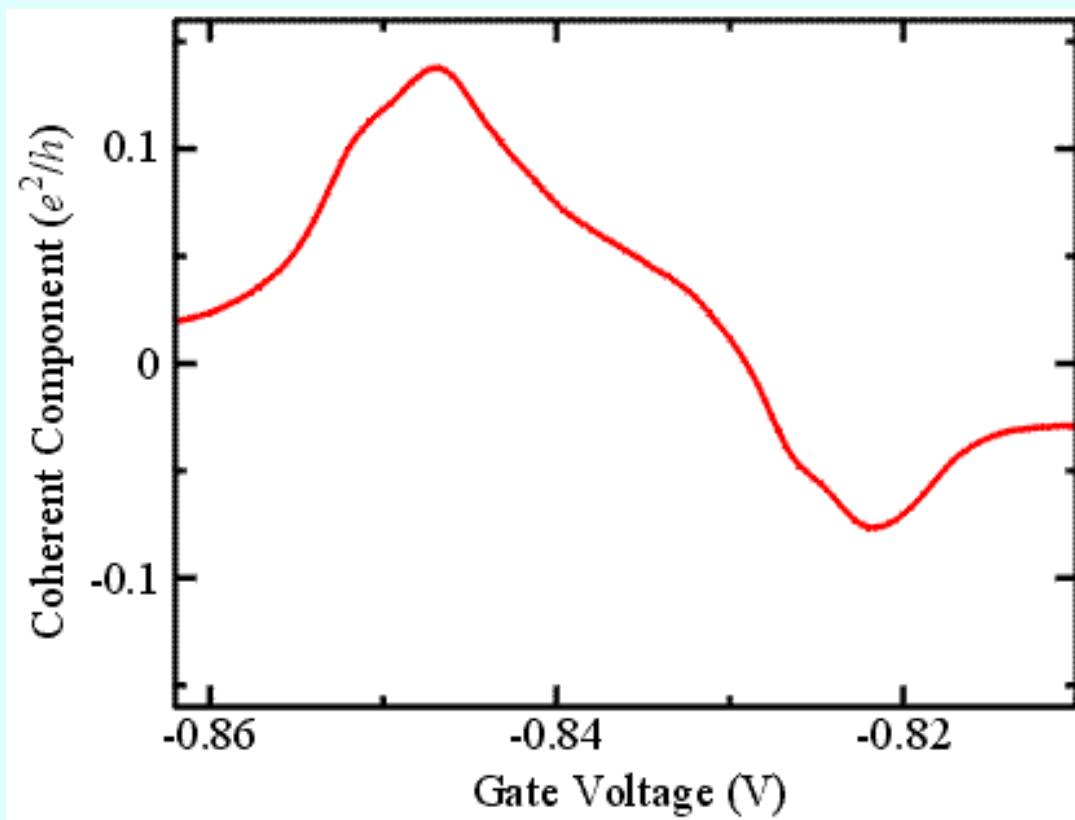
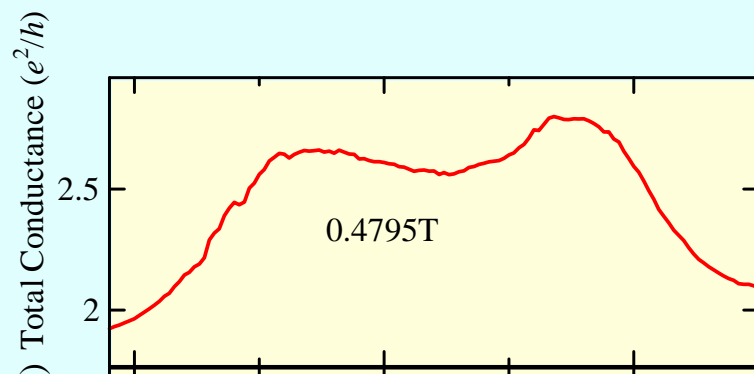




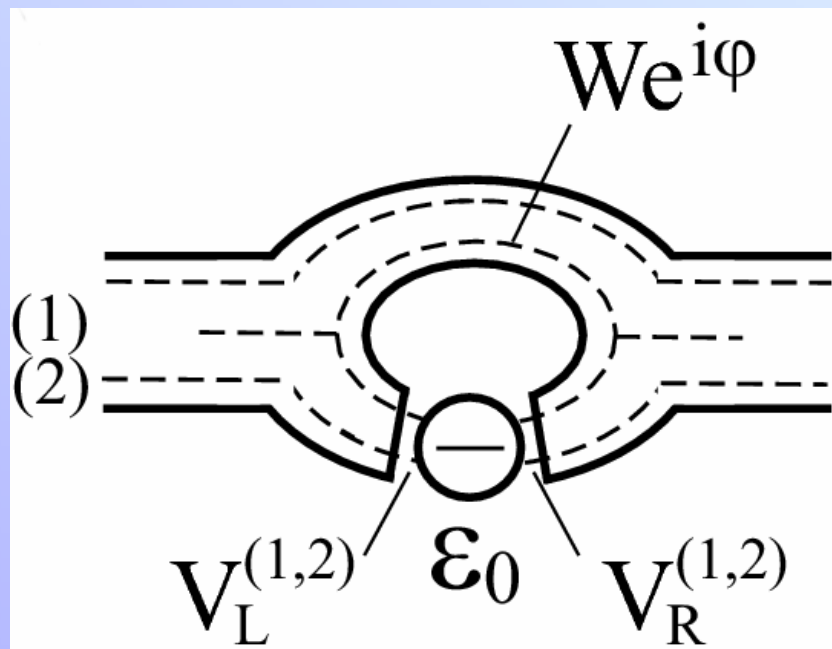
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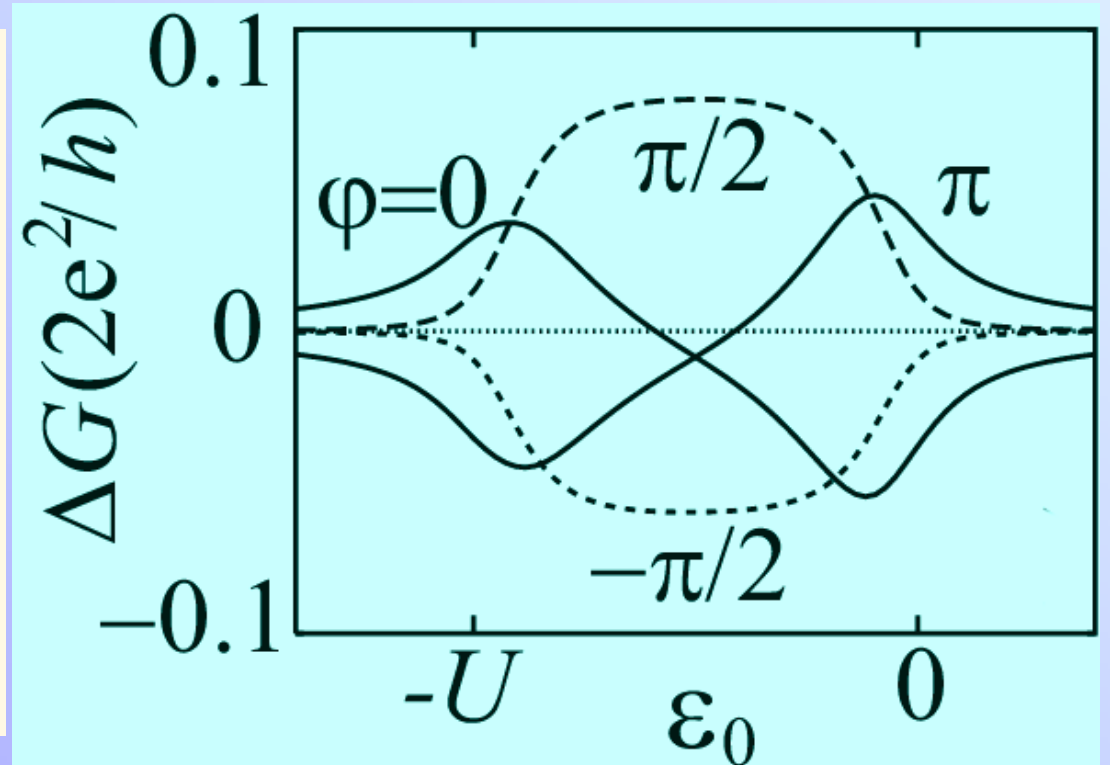
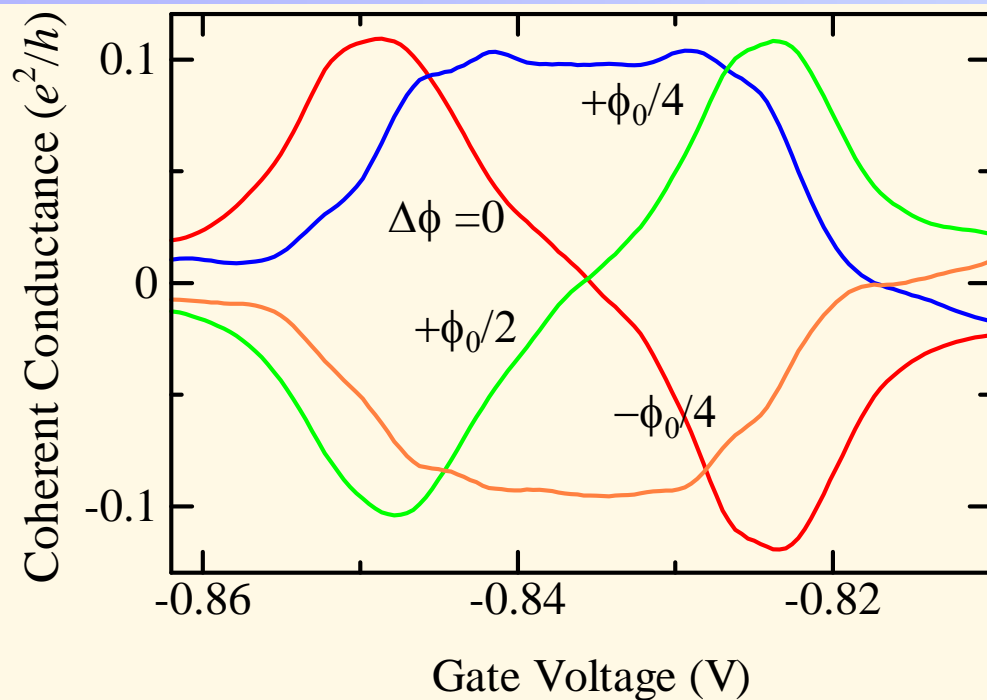
# Multi-channel model



$$H = \sum_{k\sigma\alpha=1,2} \epsilon_{k\sigma} a_{rk\sigma}^{(\alpha)+} a_{rk\sigma}^{(\alpha)} + \epsilon_0 \sum_{\sigma} d_{\sigma}^{+} d_{\sigma} + Un_{\uparrow}n_{\downarrow} \\ + \sum_{k\sigma\alpha=1,2} \left( V_r^{(\alpha)} d_{\sigma}^{+} a_{rk\sigma} + h.c. \right) + \sum_{k'k\sigma} \left( We^{i\phi} a_{Rk'\sigma}^{(1)+} a_{Lk\sigma}^{(1)} + h.c. \right)$$

**Kondo effect: finite-U slave boson approx.**

SK, M. Eto, et al., phys. stat. sol. (c) 3 (2006) 4208-4215.



# Weak entanglement between localized spin and conduction spin?

S. Oh & J. Kim, PRB73-052407(06)

Yosida's variational ground state

$$|\Psi_s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\phi_\downarrow\rangle |\chi_\uparrow\rangle - |\phi_\uparrow\rangle |\chi_\downarrow\rangle)$$

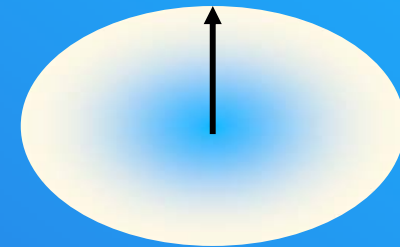
$$|\phi_\downarrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathcal{N}}} \sum_{k>k_F} \Gamma_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger |F\rangle$$

Entanglement entropy between electron spins in Kondo cloud and localized spin

$$\rho_{\text{im}} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

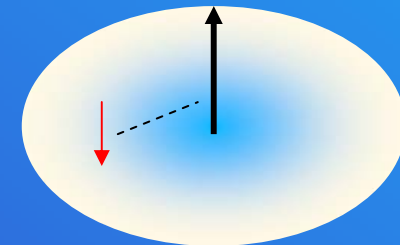
$$S(\rho_{\text{im}}) = 1$$

Maximally entangled



Entanglement entropy between an electron spin in Kondo cloud and localized spin

$$S(\rho) \approx O(1/N)$$





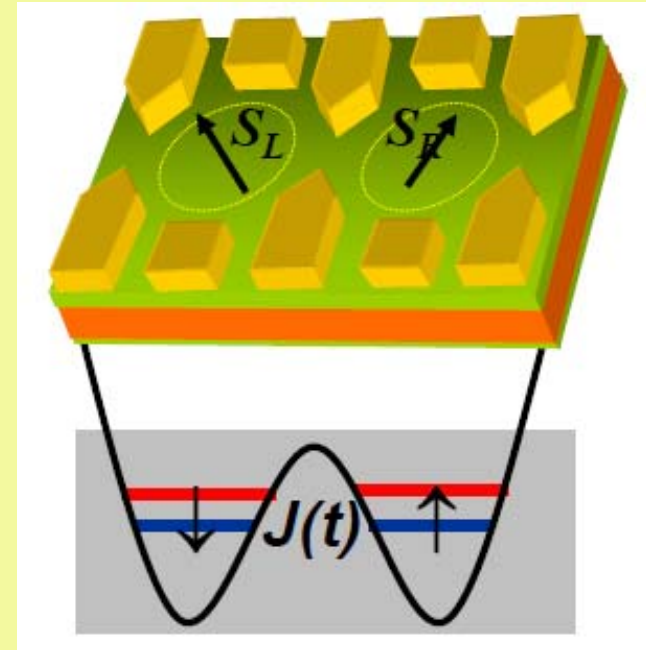
## Exchange coupling $J(t)$ in double dot:

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$$H_S(t) = J(t)S_L \cdot S_R$$

### Tunable entanglement

1. Theory for artificial atoms and molecules  
->exchange  $J$
2. Theory for electrical current through system  
->measurements



Interaction of a qubit with its environment leads to entanglement of qubit with environment and decoherence.



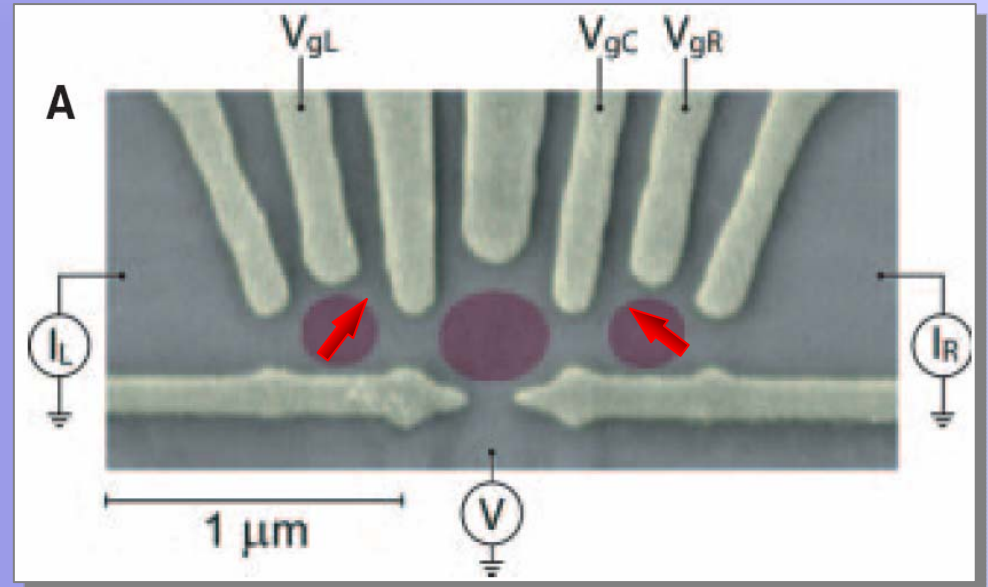
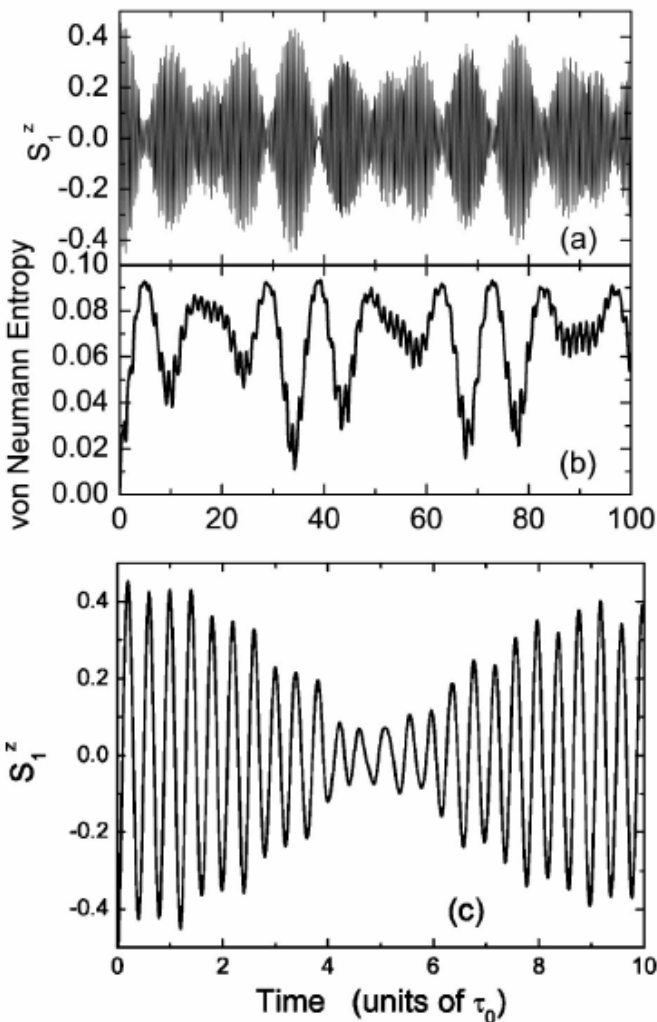
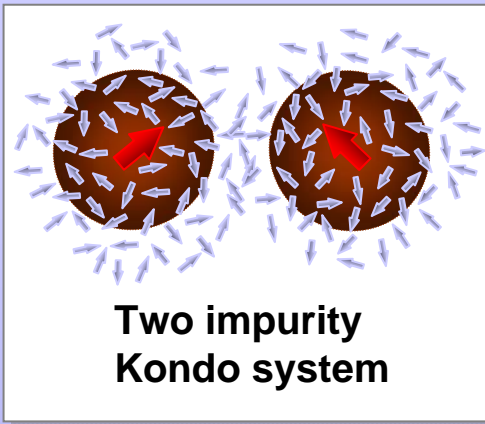
# Two impurity Kondo: A model of entangled qubits and the environment?

$$H = H_C - J \left( \mathbf{S}_A \cdot \mathbf{s}_c(A) + \mathbf{S}_B \cdot \mathbf{s}_c(B) \right)$$

$$H_{RKKY} = I(R) \mathbf{S}_A \cdot \mathbf{S}_B$$

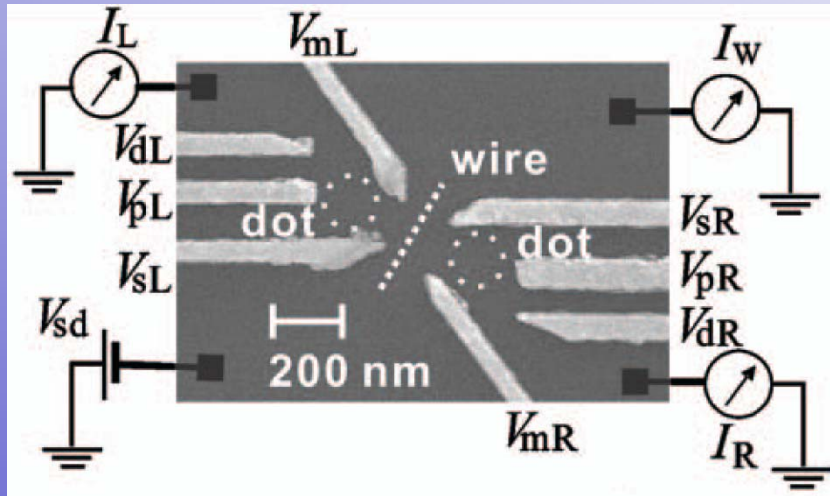
S. Y. Cho & R. H. McKenzie, PRA (2006)

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PRA (2005)

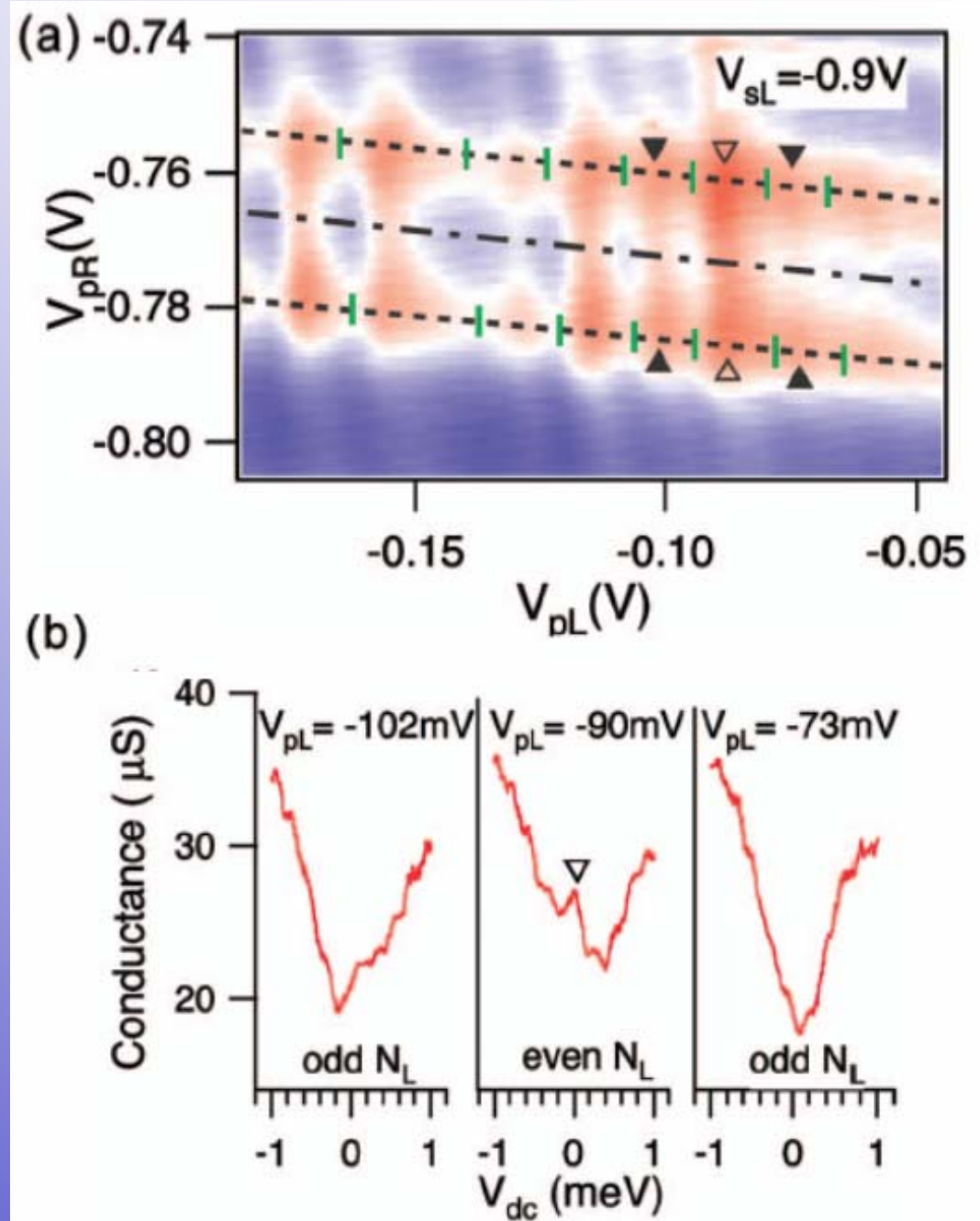


N. J. Craig et al., *Science* 304, 565 (2004)

# Two impurity Kondo experiment?

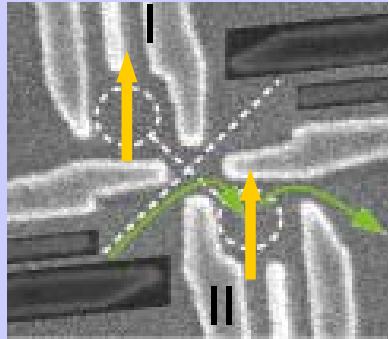


S. Sasaki *et al.*,  
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# Reduction of the Kondo effect: fronting alignment

Face to Face configuration



In Kondo region

high conductivity: b, d

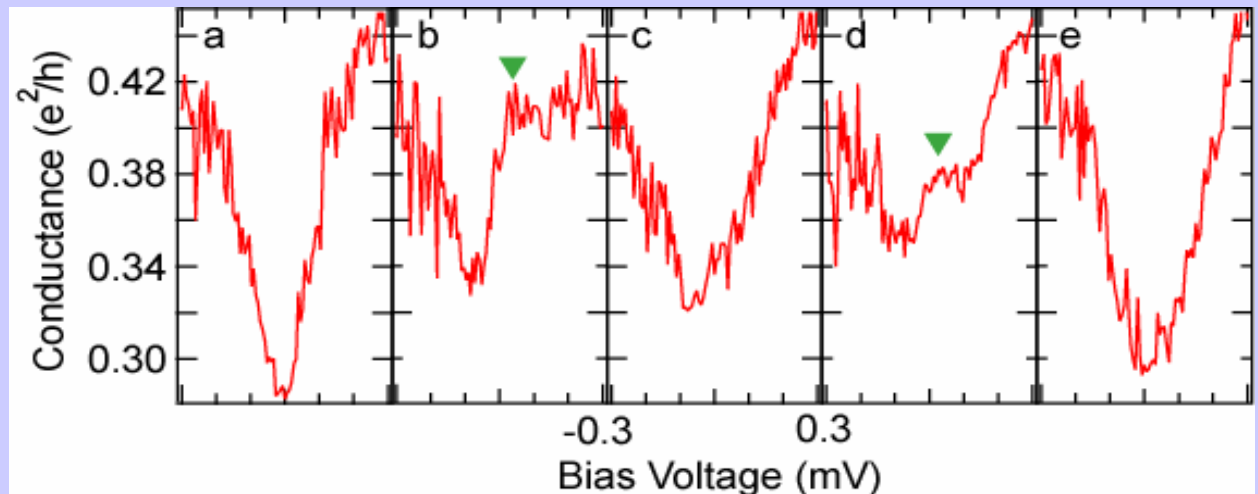
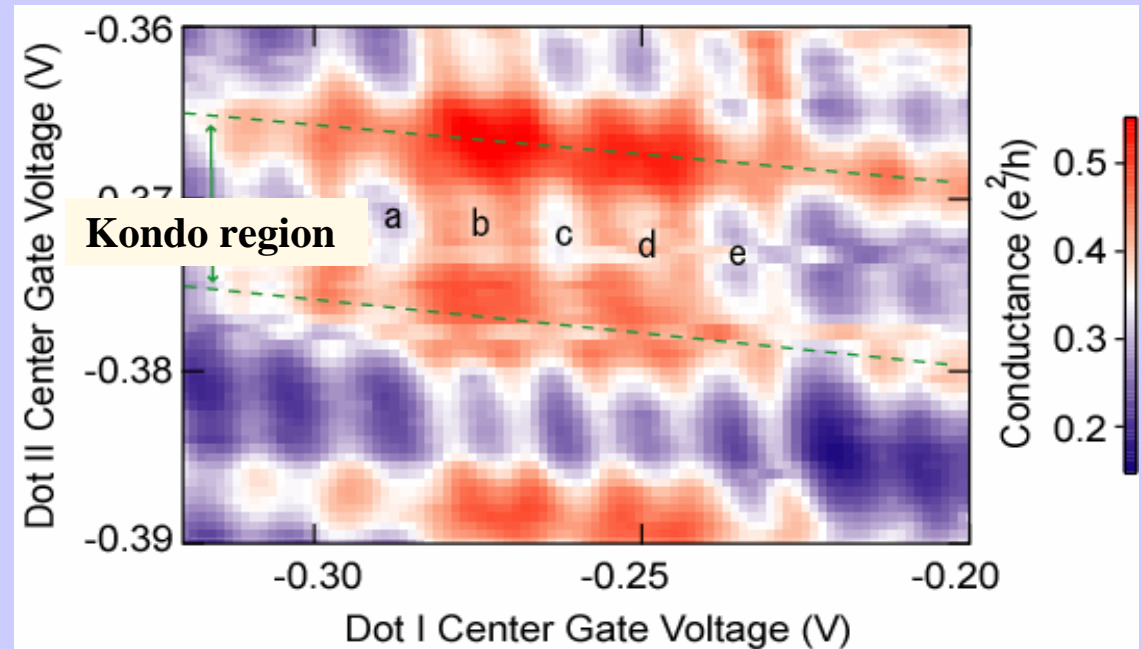
low conductivity: a, c, e

Resonance peak

in I-V characteristics

b, d: Small peaks

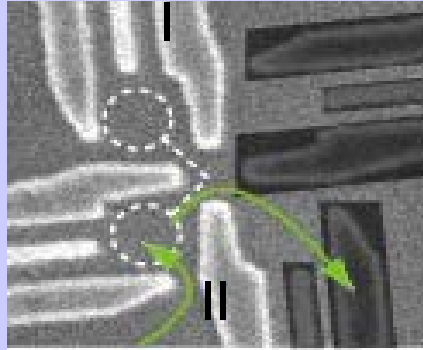
a, c, e: no peak



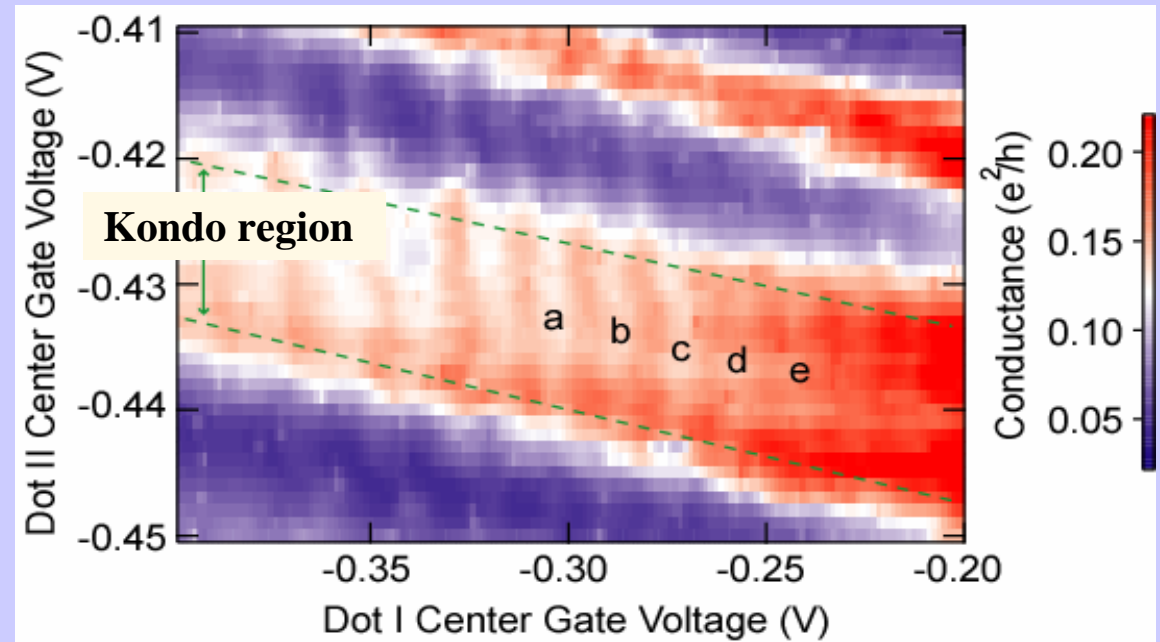
➡ Reduction of the Kondo effect depending on the parity of the other dot

# Reduction of the Kondo effect: parallel alignment

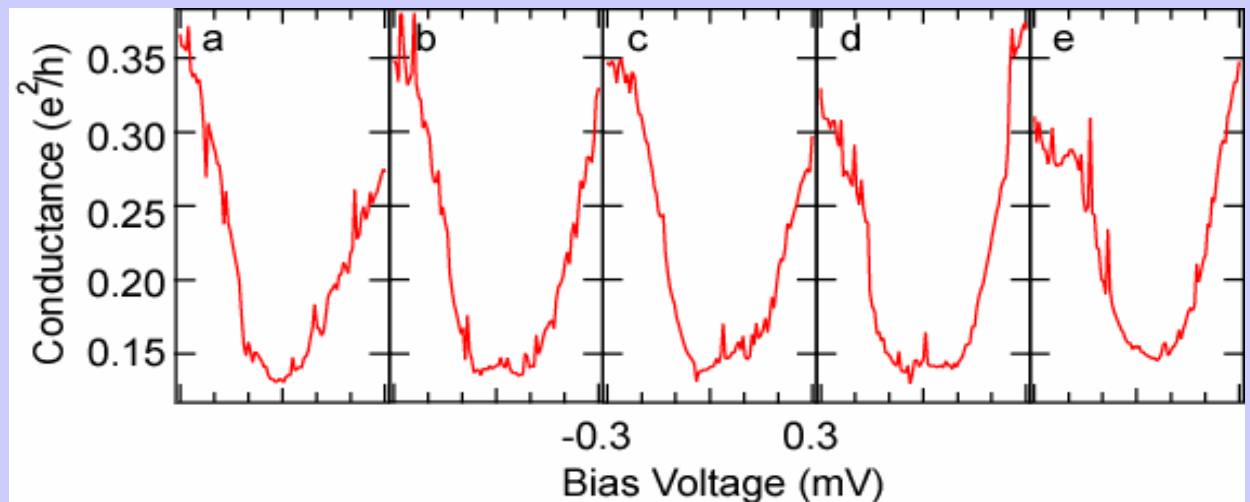
Parallel configuration



Kondo region  
Similar conductivity  
for all electron numbers



I-V characteristics  
no clear Kondo  
peak



➡ Need clearer experiments



# Conclusion

1. Spin-orbit Berry phase due to spin-orbit interaction
2. Decoherence due to spin-orbit entanglement via quantum dot
3. Observation of the Fano-Kondo effect in T-shaped and AB interferometers with a quantum dot.
4. Kondo-RKKY competition in two-impurity Kondo model