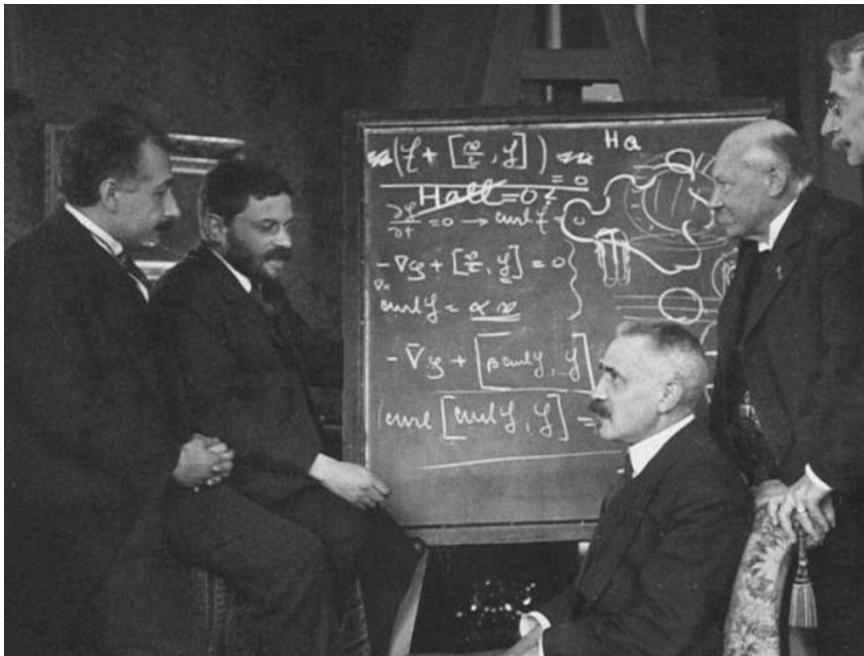
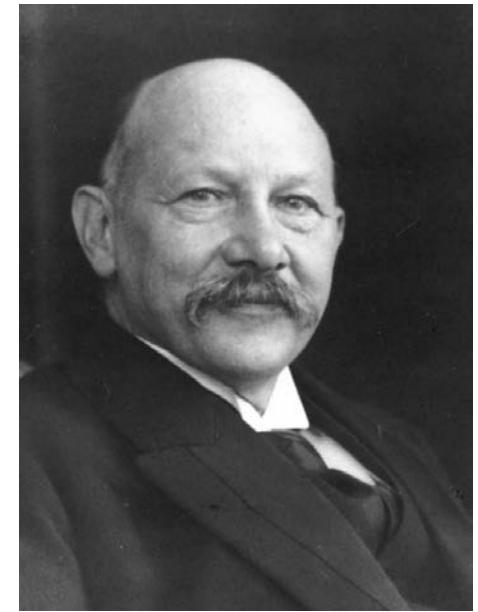


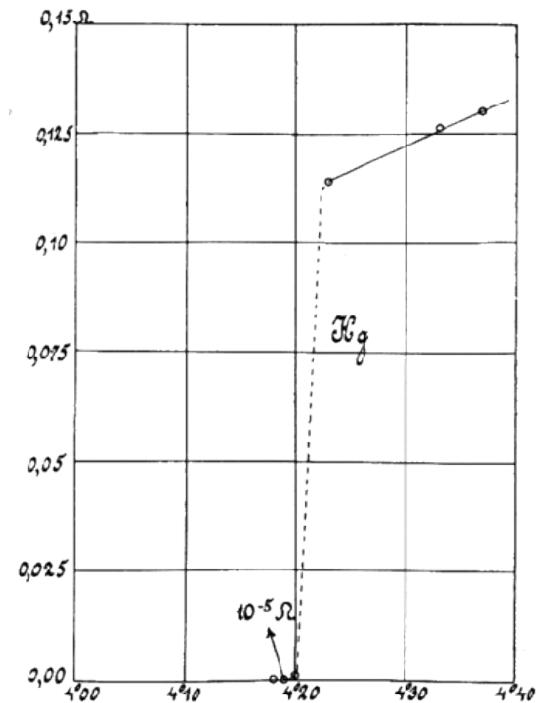
# History of superconductivity

- Liquefaction of  ${}^4\text{He}$

- Heike Kamerlingh Onnes produces liquid  ${}^4\text{He}$  on 10 July, 1908
- On 8 April, 1911 he discovered superconductivity in a solid Hg wire at 4.2 K
- Quantum origins of superconductivity a mystery until 1957



Einstein, Ehrenfest, Langevin, Kamerlingh Onnes, and Weiss at a workshop in Leiden October 1920. The blackboard discussion, on the Hall effect in superconductors



# Phenomenology of superconductivity

- Experimental facts

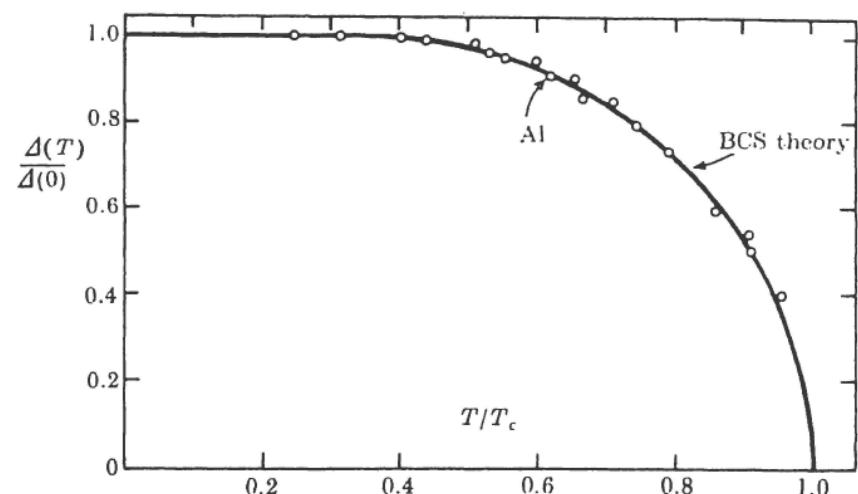
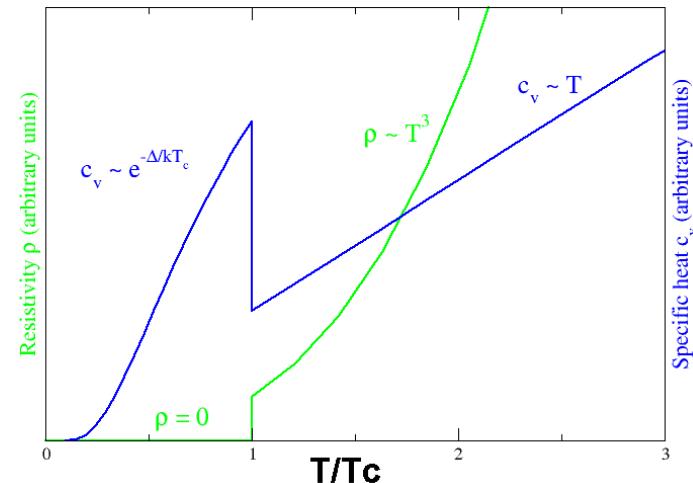
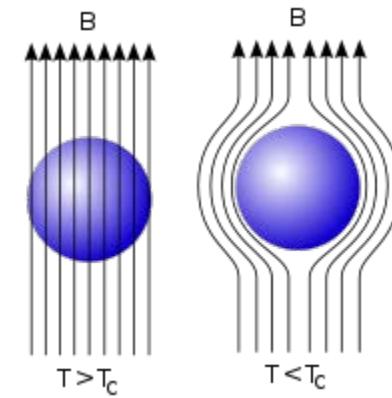
- Vanishing resistivity, at  $T = 0$ , up to  $\omega = 3.5k_B T_C / \hbar$
- Zero resistivity, at  $T > 0$ , **only** at  $\omega = 0$
- Meissner effect (1933) → expulsion of magnetic field in the bulk
- Jump in specific heat  $\approx 3$  times  $\gamma T_C$
- Isotope effect

$$T_c \sim \frac{1}{M^\alpha} \sim H_0 \quad (\alpha \approx \frac{1}{2})$$

- Energy gap  $\Delta(T)$

$$\Delta(T) = 3.5 k_B T_c \sqrt{1 - \frac{T}{T_c}}$$

- Coherence effects



# Phenomenology of superconductivity

- Phenomenological theories

- Gorter-Casimir Model (1934) → “artificial” two-fluid model

$$F(x, T) = x^{1/2} f_n(T) + (1 - x) f_s(T)$$

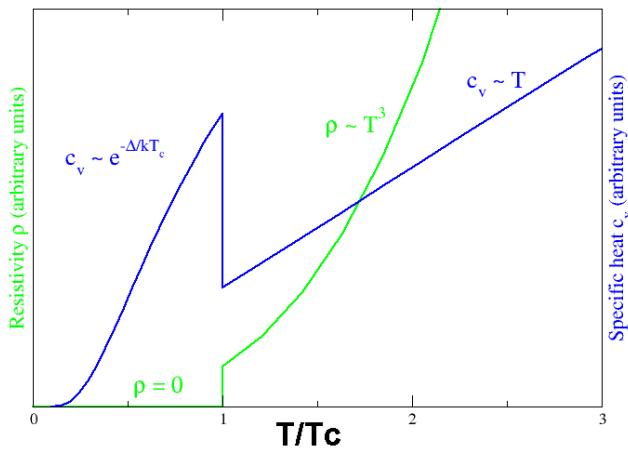
$\left[ \frac{dF(x, T)}{dx} \right]_{x=x^*} = 0 \quad x^* = \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4$

“Normal” fluid free energy

$f_n(T) = -\frac{1}{2}\gamma T^2 \quad f_s(T) = -\beta = -\frac{1}{4}\gamma T_c^2$

$F(T) \equiv F(x^*, T) = -\beta \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4 \right]$        $\Rightarrow$        $C_{es}(T) = -T \frac{\partial^2 F(T)}{\partial T^2} = 3\gamma T_c \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^3$

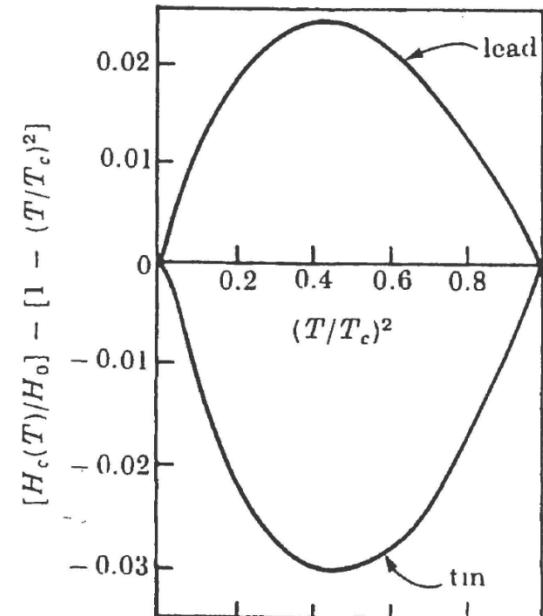
- Temperature-dependent critical magnetic field



$$\frac{H_c^2(T)}{8\pi} = F_n(T) - F_s(T)$$



$$H_c(T) = H_0 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right) \right]^2$$



# Phenomenology of superconductivity

- Phenomenological theories

- The London Theory (1935) → realistic two-fluid model
- Equations of motion of the two-fluid model

$$\frac{d\mathbf{J}_s}{dt} = \frac{n_s e^2}{m} \mathbf{E} \quad (\mathbf{J}_s = -e n_s \mathbf{v}_s)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_n = \sigma_n \mathbf{E} \quad (\mathbf{J}_n = -e n_n \mathbf{v}_n)$$

- Londons' second equation

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{J}_s = -\frac{n_s e^2}{mc} \mathbf{B}$$

↓

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \nabla_s \times \mathbf{J}_s$$

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$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{B} = \frac{4\pi n_s e^2}{mc^2} \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{\lambda_L^2} \mathbf{B} \implies \boxed{\lambda_L = \left( \frac{mc^2}{4\pi n_s e^2} \right)^{1/2}}$$

- Gorter-Casimir + Londons theory

$$(1-x) = 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4 = \frac{n_s(T)}{n} \implies \lambda(T) = \frac{\lambda(0)}{\left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4 \right]^{1/2}}$$

# Bardeen-Cooper-Schrieffer (BCS) Theory

- **Pairing hypothesis**

- Hubbard model with attractive interaction

$$H_{\text{BCS}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} + \sum_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'} V_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'} c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}',\downarrow} c_{\mathbf{k}',\uparrow}$$

- Composite “boson”

$$\Delta(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} V_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'} \langle c_{-\mathbf{k}',\downarrow} c_{\mathbf{k}',\uparrow} \rangle \quad \Delta^*(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} V_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'} \langle c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow}^\dagger \rangle$$

- Assuming mean-field works

$$H_{\text{BCS}}^{\text{mean}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \Delta^*(\mathbf{k}) c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow} c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \Delta(\mathbf{k}) c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow}^\dagger$$

$$H_{\text{BCS}}^{\text{mean}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \begin{bmatrix} c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow} & c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow}^\dagger \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) & \Delta^*(\mathbf{k}) \\ \Delta(\mathbf{k}) & -\varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow}^\dagger \\ c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow} \end{bmatrix}$$

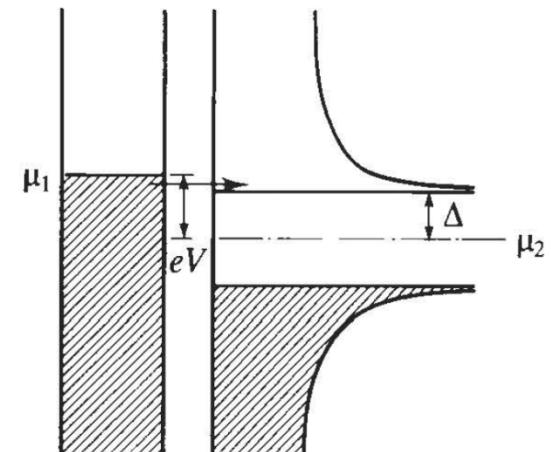
- Find eigenvalues and eigenvectors!

$$E_{\pm}(\mathbf{k}) = \pm \sqrt{\varepsilon^2(\mathbf{k}) + |\Delta(\mathbf{k})|^2}$$

Bogoliubov quasiparticles

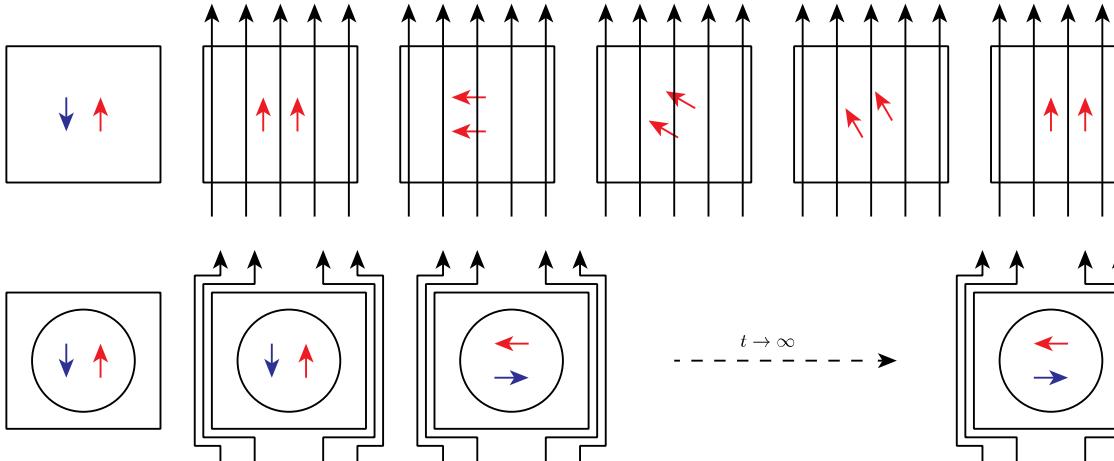
$$\gamma_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow} = u_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k},\uparrow} - v_{\mathbf{k}} c_{-\mathbf{k},\downarrow}^\dagger \quad |u_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{\varepsilon(\mathbf{k})}{E(\mathbf{k})} \right)$$

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{k},\downarrow} = u_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k},\downarrow} + v_{\mathbf{k}} c_{-\mathbf{k},\uparrow}^\dagger \quad |v_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{\varepsilon(\mathbf{k})}{E(\mathbf{k})} \right)$$

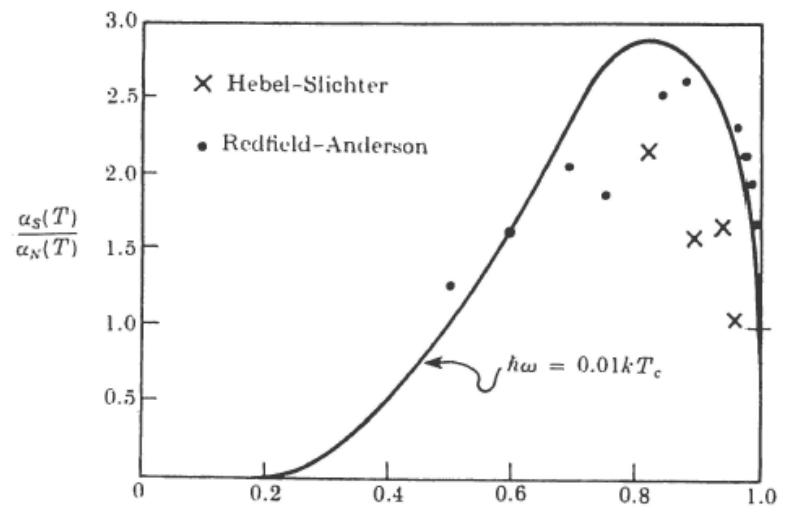
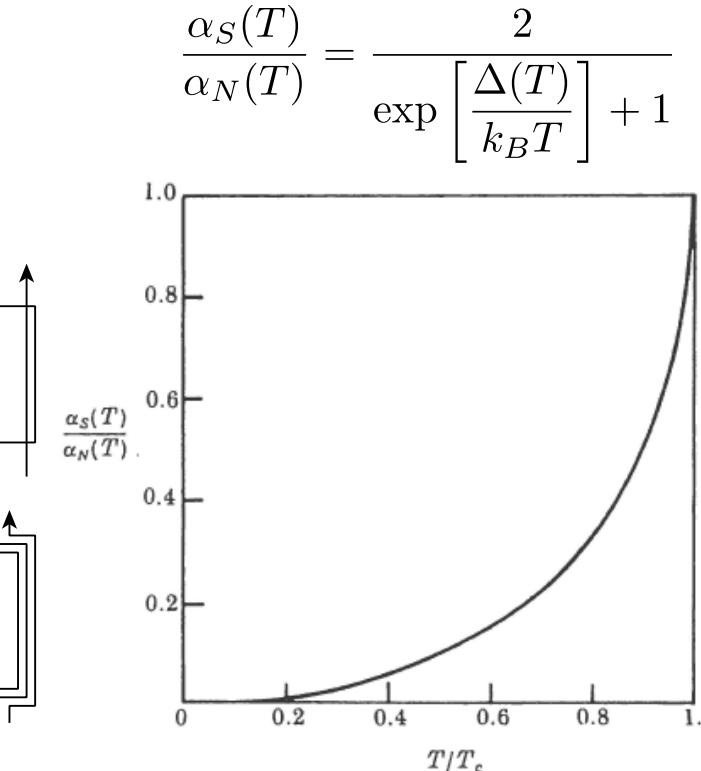
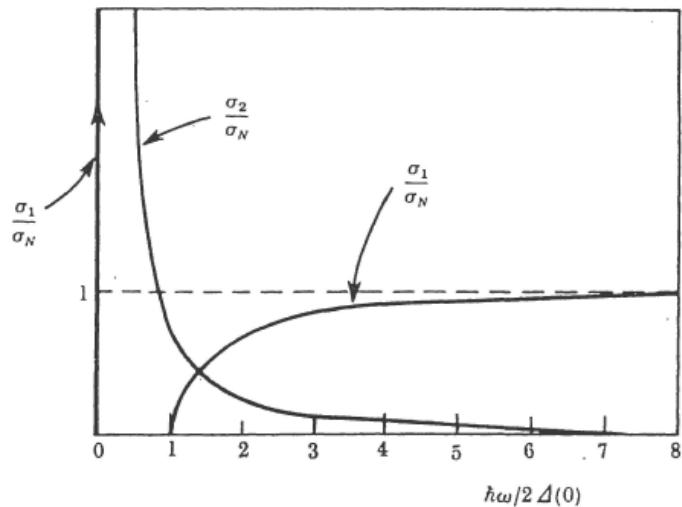


# Experimental success of BCS

- Acoustic attenuation rate
- Nuclear magnetic Resonance (NMR)



- Electromagnetic absorption



# **Part II: Heavy-fermion Superconductivity**

- History
- Local moments and the Kondo lattice
  - The Kondo effect
  - Poor man's RG
  - Kondo lattice
  - Heavy-fermion behavior
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  - Phenomenology
  - “BCS-like” theory
  - Superconducting phases of  $\text{UPt}_3$
  - The FFLO phase

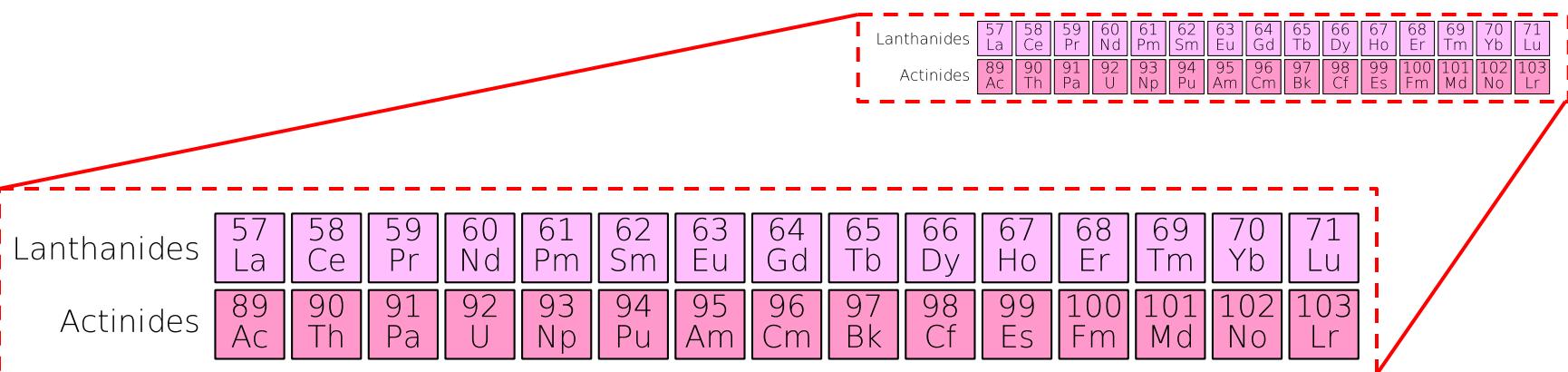
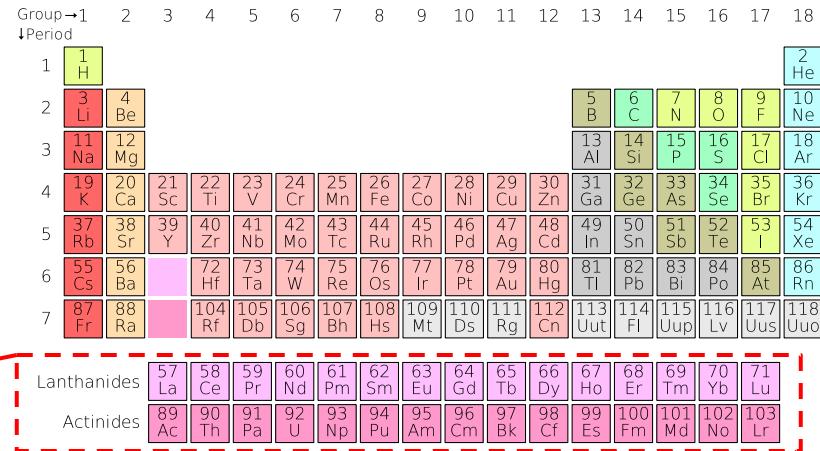
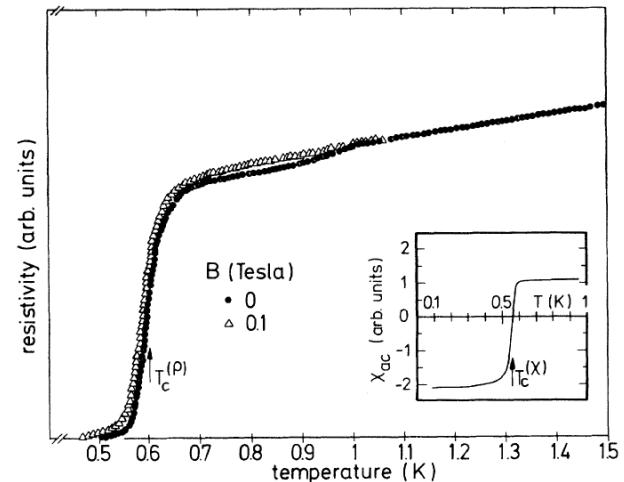
# Introduction to “Heavy-fermion” systems

## • History

- Steglich *et al.* discovered superconductivity in  $\text{CeCu}_2\text{Si}_2$  with  $T_c \approx 0.5 \text{ K}$
- Postulated Cooper pairing of “heavy quasiparticles”

## • Heavy-fermion systems

- Ingredient 1: lattice of  $f$ -electrons
- Ingredient 2: conduction electrons



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- **The Anderson Model**

- Localized  $f$ -electrons hybridize with the itinerant electrons

$$H = \underbrace{\sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} n_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} V(\mathbf{k}) [c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger f_\sigma + f_\sigma^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}]}_{H_{\text{resonance}}} + \underbrace{E_f n_f + U n_{f\uparrow} n_{f\downarrow}}_{H_{\text{atomic}}}$$

- Quantum states in the atomic limit

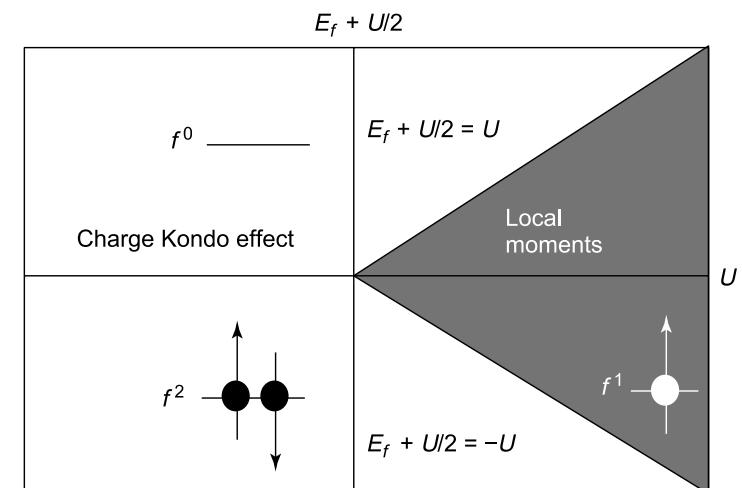
$$\begin{array}{ll} |f^2\rangle & E(f^2) = 2E_f + U \\ |f^0\rangle & E(f^0) = 0 \end{array} \quad \left. \right\} \quad \text{non-magnetic}$$

$$|f^1 \uparrow\rangle, \quad |f^1 \downarrow\rangle \quad E(f^1) = E_f. \quad \text{magnetic.}$$

- Cost of inducing a “valence fluctuation” by removing or adding an electron to the  $f^1$  state is positive

$$E(f^0) - E(f^1) = -E_f > 0 \Rightarrow U/2 > E_f + U/2$$

$$E(f^2) - E(f^1) = E_d + U > 0 \Rightarrow E_d + U/2 > -U/2$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- **The Anderson Model**

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- Virtual bound-state formation resonance linewidth

$$\Delta = \pi \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |V(\mathbf{k})|^2 \delta(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu) = \pi V^2 \rho \quad V(\mathbf{k}) = \langle \mathbf{k} | V_{\text{atomic}} | f \rangle$$

- Two approaches to the Anderson model
  - “Atomic” picture → tune hybridization strength
  - “Adiabatic” picture → tune interaction strength
- Resolution of discrepancy between two pictures → “tunneling” of local moment between spin “up” and “down”

$$e_{\downarrow}^- + f_{\uparrow}^1 \rightleftharpoons e_{\uparrow}^- + f_{\downarrow}^1$$

# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Adiabaticity and the Kondo resonance

- $f$ -electron spectral function

$$A_f(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} [G_f(\omega - i\delta)]$$

$$G_f(\omega) = -i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \langle T f_{\sigma}(t) f_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(0) \rangle e^{i\omega t}$$

Energy distribution of state formed by adding one  $f$  electron

$$A_f(\omega) = \begin{cases} \overbrace{\sum_{\lambda} |\langle \lambda | f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} | \phi_0 \rangle|^2 \delta(\omega - [E_{\lambda} - E_0])}, & (\omega > 0) \\ \overbrace{\sum_{\lambda} |\langle \lambda | f_{\sigma} | \phi_0 \rangle|^2 \delta(\omega - [E_0 - E_{\lambda}])}, & (\omega < 0) \end{cases}$$

Energy distribution of state formed by removing an  $f$  electron

- $f$ -charge on the ion

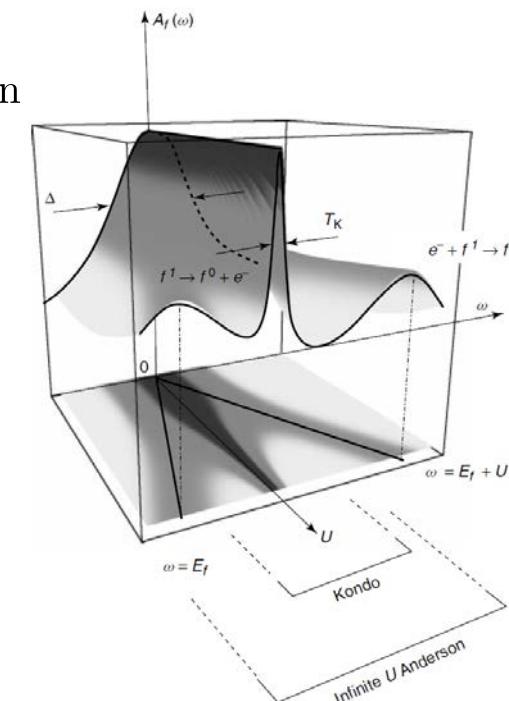
$$\langle n_f \rangle = 2 \int_{-\infty}^0 d\omega A_f(\omega)$$

- Phase and amplitude of spectral function at  $\omega = 0$

$$A_f(\omega = 0) = \frac{\sin^2(\delta_f)}{\pi \Delta}$$

- Friedel sum rule

$$\sum_{\sigma} \frac{\delta_{f\sigma}}{\pi} = 2 \frac{\delta_f}{\pi} = n_f$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Hierarchies of energy scales

- Renormalization concept

$$H = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} H_L & V^\dagger \\ \hline V & H_H \end{array} \right]$$

$$H(\Lambda) \rightarrow U H(\Lambda) U^\dagger = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \tilde{H}_L & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \tilde{H}_H \end{array} \right]$$

- Renormalized Hamiltonian

$$H(\Lambda') = \tilde{H}_L = H_L + \delta H$$

- Infinite- $U$  Anderson model

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} n_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} V(\mathbf{k}) \left[ c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger X_{0\sigma} + X_{\sigma 0} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \right] + E_f \sum_{\sigma} X_{\sigma\sigma}$$

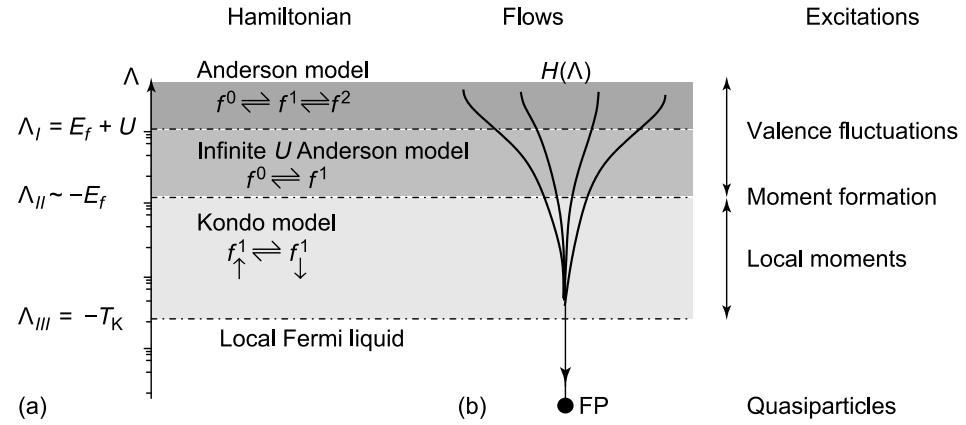
- “Hubbard operators”

$$X_{\sigma\sigma} = |f^1 : \sigma\rangle\langle f^1 : \sigma|$$

$$X_{0\sigma} = |f^0\rangle\langle f^1\sigma|$$

$$X_{\sigma 0} = |f^1 : \sigma\rangle\langle f^0|$$

- For the symmetric Anderson model we have:  $\Lambda_I = \Lambda_{II}$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Hierarchies of energy scales

- Schrieffer Wolff transformation

$$e_{\uparrow}^- + f_{\downarrow}^1 \leftrightarrow f^2 \leftrightarrow e_{\downarrow}^- + f_{\uparrow}^1 \quad \Delta E_I \sim U + E_f$$

$$h_{\uparrow}^+ + f_{\downarrow}^1 \leftrightarrow f^0 \leftrightarrow h_{\downarrow}^+ + f_{\uparrow}^1 \quad \Delta E_{II} \sim -E_f$$

- Energy of singlet lowered by  $-2J$

$$J = V^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\Delta E_I} + \frac{1}{\Delta E_{II}} \right]$$

- Matrix elements associated with valence fluctuations

$$|f^1 c^1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(f_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{\downarrow}^{\dagger} - c_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} f_{\downarrow}^{\dagger})|0\rangle, \quad |f^2\rangle = f_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} f_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad |c^2\rangle = c_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{\downarrow}^{\dagger}|0\rangle$$

$$\langle c^2 | \sum_{\sigma} V c_{\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{\sigma} | f^1 c^1 \rangle = \sqrt{2}V \quad \langle f^2 | \sum_{\sigma} V f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{\sigma} | f^1 c^1 \rangle = \sqrt{2}V$$

- Effective interaction

$$H_K = -2J \left[ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma(0) \cdot \mathbf{S}_f \right] \quad \sigma(0) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^{\dagger} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} c_{\mathbf{k}'\beta}$$

- Effective interaction induced by the virtual charge fluctuations

$$H_K = J\sigma(0) \cdot \mathbf{S}_f \quad \implies \quad H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + J\sigma(0) \cdot \mathbf{S}_f$$

# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Hierarchies of energy scales

  - The Kondo Effect

$$\delta H_{ab} = \langle a | \delta H | b \rangle = \frac{1}{2} [T_{ab}(E_a) + T_{ab}(E_b)]$$

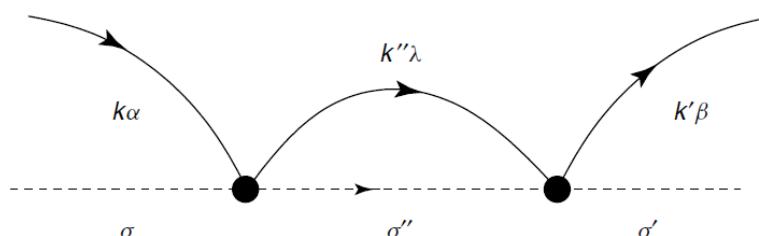
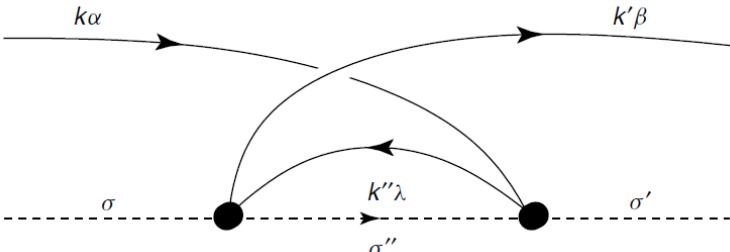
$$T_{ab}(\omega) = \sum_{|\Lambda\rangle \in \{H\}} \left[ \frac{V_{a\Lambda}^\dagger V_{\Lambda b}}{\omega - E_\Lambda} \right] \quad V = \mathcal{P}_H J \mathbf{S}(0) \cdot \mathbf{S}_d \mathcal{P}_L$$

  - Process I

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k'\beta, \sigma' | \hat{T}^I(E) | k\alpha, \sigma \rangle &= \sum_{\epsilon_{k''} \in [\Lambda - \delta\Lambda, \Lambda]} \left[ \frac{1}{E - \epsilon_{k''}} \right] J^2 (\sigma_{\beta\lambda}^a \sigma_{\lambda\alpha}^b) (S_{\sigma'\sigma''}^a S_{\sigma''\sigma}^b) \\ &\approx J^2 \rho \delta\Lambda \left[ \frac{1}{E - \Lambda} \right] (\sigma^a \sigma^b)_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

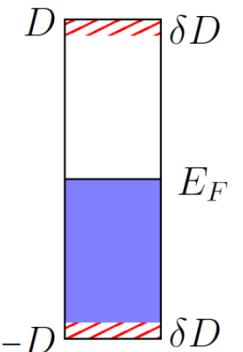
  - Process II

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k'\beta\sigma' | T^{II}(E) | k\alpha\sigma \rangle &= - \sum_{\epsilon_{k''} \in [-\Lambda, -\Lambda + \delta\Lambda]} \left[ \frac{1}{E - (\epsilon_k + \epsilon_{k'} - \epsilon_{k''})} \right] J^2 (\sigma^b \sigma^a)_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma} \\ &= -J^2 \rho \delta\Lambda \left[ \frac{1}{E - \Lambda} \right] (\sigma^a \sigma^b)_{\beta\alpha} (S^a S^b)_{\sigma'\sigma} \end{aligned}$$



$$H(\Lambda) \rightarrow U H(\Lambda) U^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{H}_L & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{H}_H \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} H_L & V^\dagger \\ V & H_H \end{bmatrix}$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Hierarchies of energy scales

- Combining processes I and II

$$\begin{aligned}\delta H_{k'\beta\sigma';k\alpha\sigma}^{\text{int}} &= \hat{T}^{\text{I}} + \hat{T}^{\text{II}} = -\frac{J^2\rho\delta\Lambda}{\Lambda} [\sigma^a, \sigma^b]_{\beta\alpha} S^a S^b \\ &= 2\frac{J^2\rho\delta\Lambda}{\Lambda} \sigma_{\beta\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{\sigma'\sigma}\end{aligned}$$

- “Anti-screening” of the Kondo coupling constant

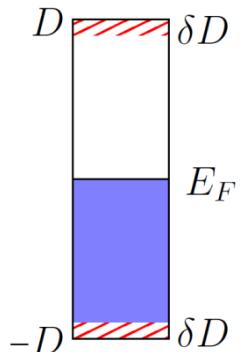
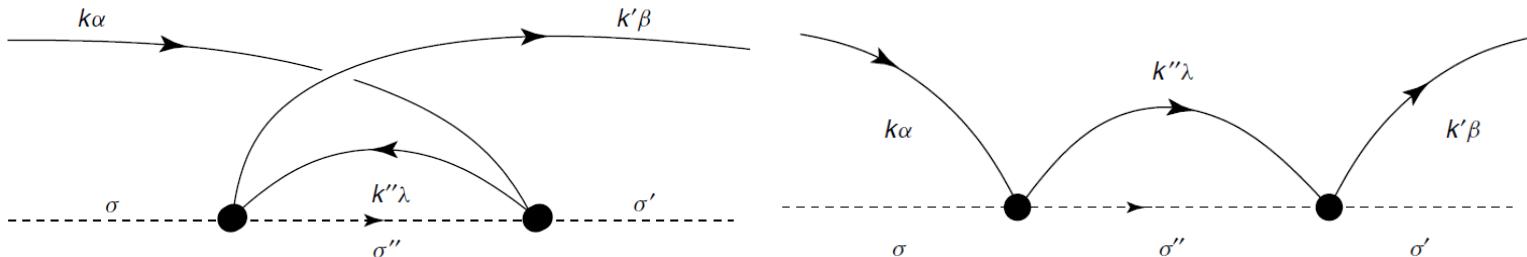
$$J(\Lambda') = J(\Lambda) + 2J^2\rho\frac{\delta\Lambda}{\Lambda}$$

- Introduce coupling constant  $g = \rho J$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial \ln \Lambda} = \beta(g) = -2g^2 + O(g^3)$$

- Define

$$T_K = D \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2g_o} \right] \quad \Longrightarrow \quad 2g(\Lambda') = \frac{1}{\ln(\Lambda/T_K)}$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Hierarchies of energy scales

- Kondo temperature is the *only* intrinsic scale

$$F(T) = T_K \Phi \left( \frac{T}{T_K} \right)$$

- Resistivity

$$\rho_i = \frac{ne^2}{m} \tau(T, H)$$

- Universal scattering rate

$$\tau(T, H) = \frac{n_i}{\rho} \Phi_2 \left( \frac{T}{T_K}, \frac{H}{T_K} \right)$$

- To leading order in Born approximation;  $g_0$  is bare coupling

$$\tau = 2\pi\rho J^2 S(S+1) = \frac{2\pi S(S+1)}{\rho} g_0^2$$

- At finite temperatures  $g_0 \rightarrow g(\Lambda = 2\pi T)$

$$\tau(T) = \frac{2\pi S(S+1)}{\rho} \frac{1}{4 \ln^2(2\pi T/T_K)}$$

- Formation of spin-singlet bound state at large coupling

$$J\rho \gg 1$$

$$n_f = 1$$

$$\delta_\uparrow = \delta_\downarrow = \pi/2$$

# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- Hierarchies of energy scales

- Doniach's Kondo lattice concept

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + J \sum_j \mathbf{S}_j \cdot \left( c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger \sigma_{\alpha\beta} c_{\mathbf{k}'\beta} \right) e^{i(\mathbf{k}'-\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{R}_j}$$

- No Kondo physics → Friedel oscillations

$$\langle \sigma(\mathbf{x}) \rangle = -J\chi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) \langle \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_0) \rangle$$

$$\chi(\mathbf{x}) = 2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \left( \frac{f(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}) - f(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}'})}{\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}'} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}} \right) e^{i(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}') \cdot \mathbf{x}}$$

$$\langle \sigma(r) \rangle \sim -J\rho \frac{\cos(2k_F r)}{|k_F r|^3}$$

- Ruderman-Kittel-Kasuya-Yosida (RKKY)

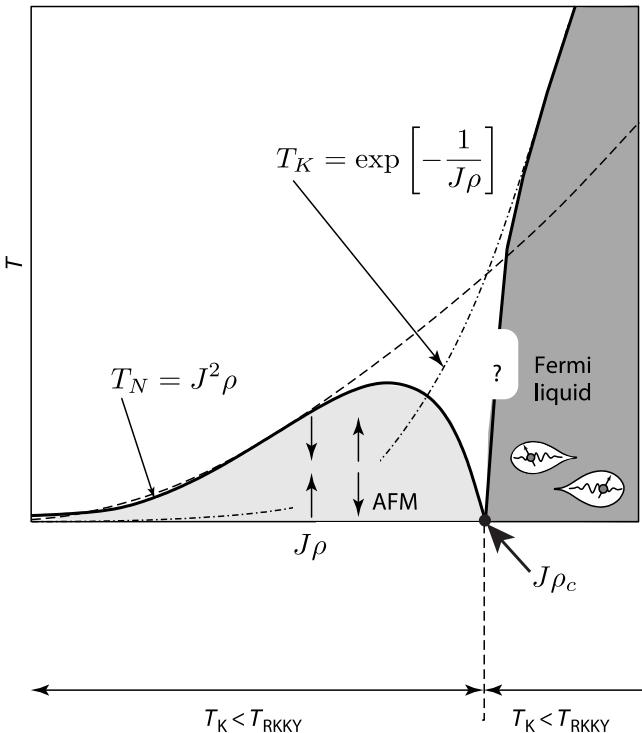
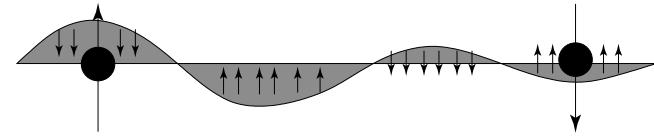
$$H_{\text{RKKY}} = \overbrace{-J^2 \chi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}')}^{J_{\text{RKKY}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')}$$

$$J_{\text{RKKY}}(r) \sim -J^2 \rho \frac{\cos(2k_F r)}{k_F r}$$

- Two possible ordering temperatures

$$T_K = D e^{-1/(2J\rho)}$$

$$T_{\text{RKKY}} = J^2 \rho$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- The Large  $N$  Kondo Lattice

- Gauge theories, Large  $N$  and strong correlation
- Spin operator representation

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

$$f_j \rightarrow e^{i\phi_j} f_j$$

- Slave boson approach

$$X_{\sigma 0}(j) = f_{j\sigma}^\dagger b_j, \quad X_{0\sigma}(j) = b_j^\dagger f_{j\sigma}$$

$$f_{j\sigma}^\dagger |0\rangle \equiv |f^1, j\rangle \quad b_j^\dagger |0\rangle = |f^0, j\rangle$$

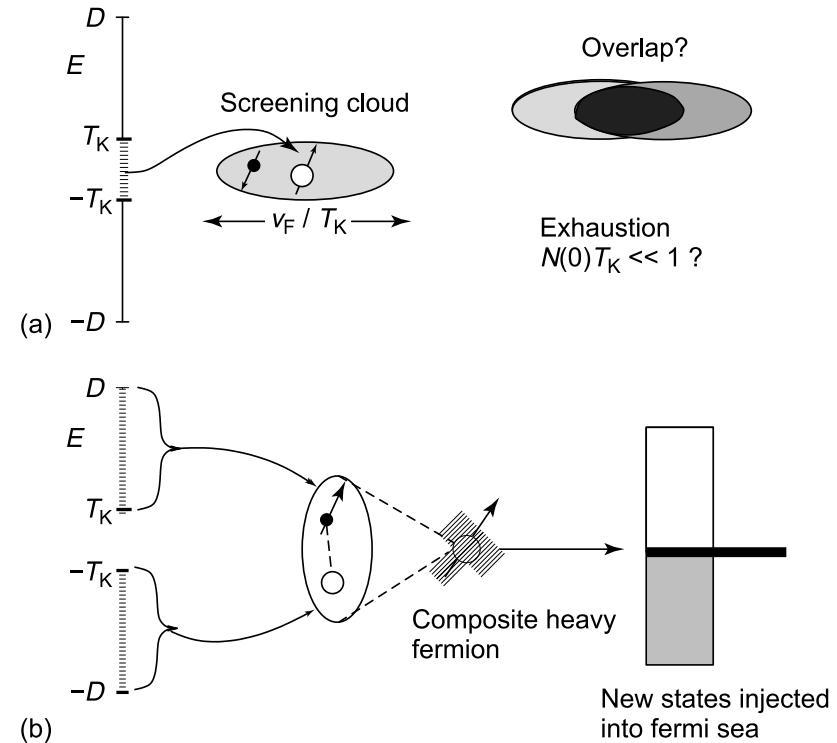
- Conservation of gauge charge

$$Q_j = \sum_{\sigma} f_{j\sigma}^\dagger f_{j\sigma} + b_j^\dagger b_j$$

$$f_{j\sigma} \rightarrow e^{i\theta_j} f_{j\sigma} \quad b_j \rightarrow e^{i\theta_j} b_j$$

- Mobility of  $f$ -states

$$2 \frac{\mathcal{V}_{FS}}{(2\pi)^3} = n_e + n_{\text{spins}}$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- The Large  $N$  Kondo Lattice

- Mean field theory of the Kondo lattice

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi] e^{-NS[\phi, \dot{\phi}]}$$

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_j H_I(j) \quad H_I(j) = \frac{J}{N} S_{\alpha\beta}(j) c_{j\beta}^\dagger c_{j\alpha}$$

$$S_{\alpha\beta}(j) = f_{j\alpha}^\dagger f_{j\beta} - \frac{n_f}{N} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \Rightarrow \quad H_I(j) = -\frac{J}{N} (c_{j\beta}^\dagger f_{j\beta}) (f_{j\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha})$$

$$c_{j\alpha}^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_s}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j}$$

- Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation

$$-gA^\dagger A \rightarrow A^\dagger V + \bar{V}A + \frac{\bar{V}V}{g}$$

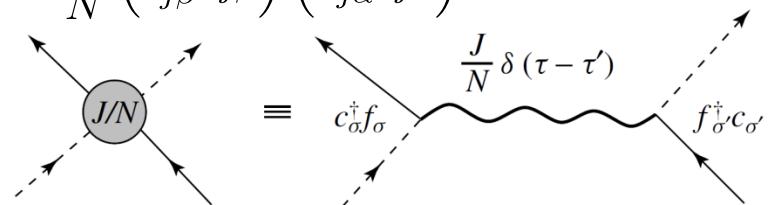
$$H_I(j) \rightarrow H_I[V, j] = \bar{V}_j (c_{j\alpha}^\dagger f_{j\alpha}) + (f_{j\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha}) V_j + N \frac{\bar{V}_j V_j}{J}$$

- Path integral

$$= \text{Tr} \left[ T \exp \left( - \int_0^\beta H[V, \lambda] d\tau \right) \right]$$

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[V, \lambda] \overbrace{\int \mathcal{D}[c, f] \exp \left[ - \int_0^\beta \left( \sum_{k\sigma} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger \partial_\tau c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_{j\sigma} f_{j\sigma}^\dagger \partial_\tau f_{j\sigma} + H[V, \lambda] \right) \right]}^{\overbrace{\phantom{\int_0^\beta \left( \sum_{k\sigma} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger \partial_\tau c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_{j\sigma} f_{j\sigma}^\dagger \partial_\tau f_{j\sigma} + H[V, \lambda] \right)}}$$

$$H[V, \lambda] = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_j (H_I[V_j, j] + \lambda_j [n_f(j) - Q])$$



# Local moments and the Kondo lattice

- The Large  $N$  Kondo Lattice

- At the saddle point

$$Z = \text{Tr} [e^{-\beta H_{\text{MFT}}}] , \quad (N \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$H_{\text{MFT}} = H[V, \lambda] = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + \sum_{j,\alpha} \left( \bar{V} c_{j\beta}^\dagger f_{j\beta} + V f_{j\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} + \lambda f_{j\alpha}^\dagger f_{j\alpha} \right) + Nn \left( \frac{\bar{V}V}{J} - \lambda_o q \right)$$

- Matrix form of the Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{MFT}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} (c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger, f_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger) \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} & \bar{V} \\ V & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ f_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \end{pmatrix} + Nn \left( \frac{\bar{V}V}{J} - \lambda q \right)$$

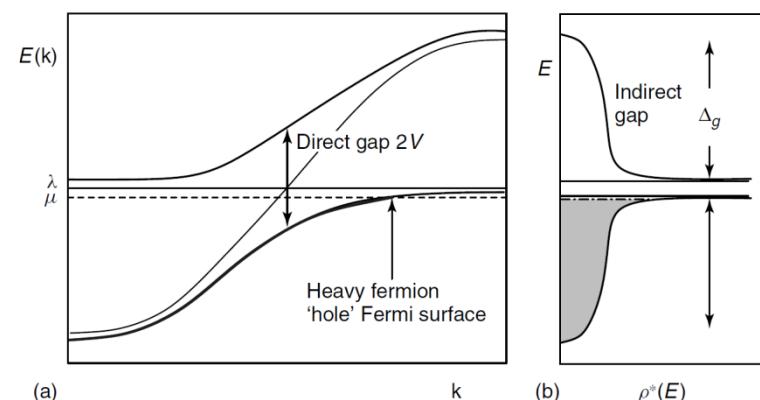
where

$$f_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j f_{j\sigma}^\dagger e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j}$$

- Diagonalize the Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{MFT}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} (a_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger, b_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger) \begin{bmatrix} E_{\mathbf{k}+} & 0 \\ 0 & E_{\mathbf{k}-} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ b_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \end{pmatrix} + N\mathcal{N}_s \left( \frac{|V|^2}{J} - \lambda q \right)$$

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- The Large  $N$  Kondo Lattice

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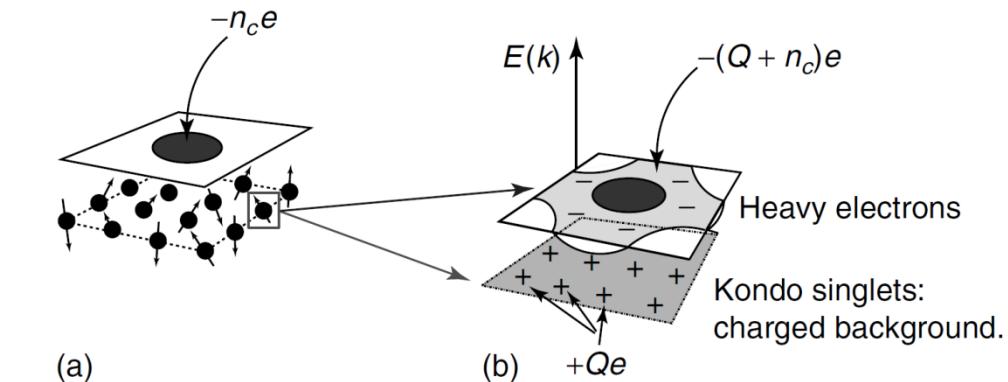
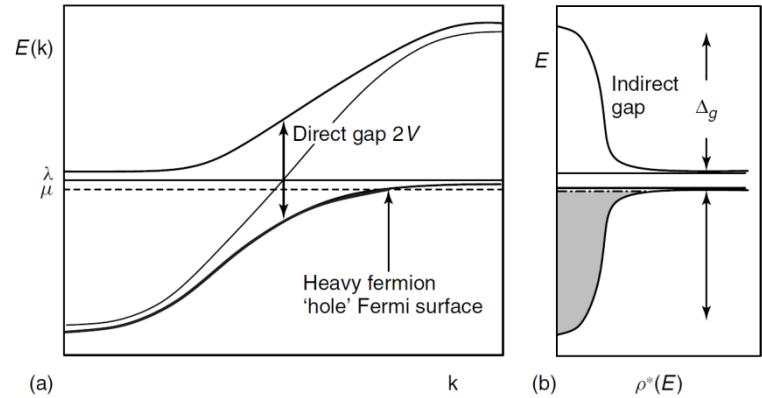
$$\rho^*(E) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \pm} \delta(E - E_{\mathbf{k}}^{(\pm)})$$

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q. particle density

$$\overbrace{n_e}^{e^- \text{ density}} = \overbrace{N \frac{V_{FS}}{(2\pi)^3}}^{\text{q. particle density}} - \underbrace{\frac{Q}{a^D}}_{+ve \text{ background}}$$

- How to find  $V$  and  $\lambda$ ?
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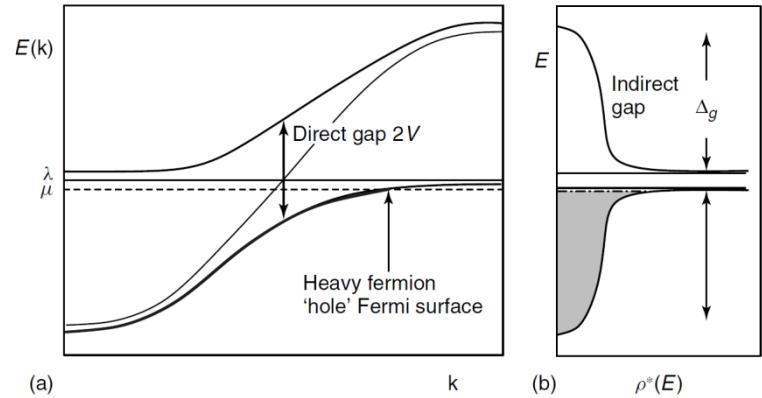
$$\frac{F}{N} = -T \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \pm} \ln \left[ 1 + e^{-\beta E_{\mathbf{k}\pm}} \right] + \mathcal{N}_s \left( \frac{|V|^2}{J} - \lambda q \right)$$

$$\frac{E_0}{N\mathcal{N}_s} = \int_{-\infty}^0 \rho^*(E) E + \left( \frac{|V|^2}{J} - \lambda q \right)$$

$$\frac{E_o}{N\mathcal{N}_s} = \int_{-D}^0 d\epsilon \rho E dE + \int_{-D}^0 dE \rho |V|^2 \frac{E}{(E - \lambda)^2} + \left( \frac{|V|^2}{J} - \lambda q \right)$$

$$= \overbrace{-\frac{D^2 \rho}{2}}^{E_c/(N\mathcal{N}_s)} + \overbrace{\frac{\Delta}{\pi} \ln \left( \frac{\lambda e}{T_K} \right) - \lambda q}^{E_K/(N\mathcal{N}_s)}$$

$$\frac{\partial E_o}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \implies \lambda = \frac{\Delta}{\pi q}$$



$$\frac{E_K}{N\mathcal{N}_s} = \frac{\Delta}{\pi} \ln \left( \frac{\Delta e}{\pi q T_K} \right)$$

$$\Delta = \frac{\pi q}{e^2} T_K$$

$$\rho^*(0) = \rho + \frac{q}{T_K}$$

$$\frac{m^*}{m} = 1 + \frac{q}{\rho T_K} \sim \frac{q D}{T_K}$$

# Heavy-fermion superconductivity

- Phenomenology

- Spin entropy

$$\frac{(C_v^s - C_v^n)}{C_v} \sim 1-2$$

$$\int_0^{T_c} dT \frac{(C_v^s - C_v^n)}{T} = 0$$

- London penetration depth agrees with enhanced mass

$$\frac{1}{\mu_o \lambda_L^2} = \frac{n e^2}{m^*} = \int_{\omega \in D.P} \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \sigma(\omega) \ll \frac{n e^2}{m}$$

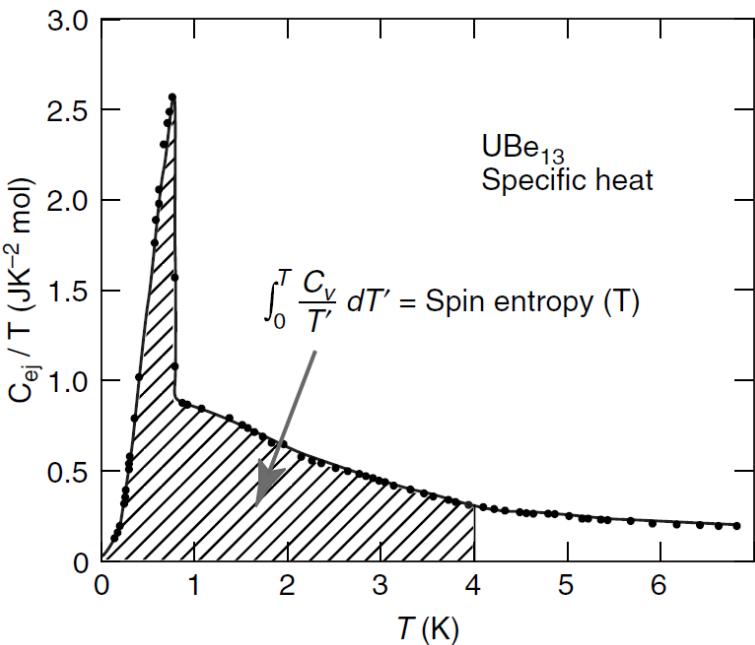
- Coherence length reduces
- “BCS-like” theory

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger f_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left[ f_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger \Delta_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{k}) f_{-\mathbf{k}\beta}^\dagger + f_{-\mathbf{k}\beta} \bar{\Delta}_{\beta\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) f_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} \right]$$

$$E_{\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + |\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2}$$

$$\Delta_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{k}) = \begin{cases} \Delta(\mathbf{k})(i\sigma_2)_{\alpha\beta} & (\text{singlet}), \\ \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot (i\sigma_2 \boldsymbol{\sigma})_{\alpha\beta} & (\text{triplet}). \end{cases}$$

- Example: UPt<sub>3</sub>     $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \propto k_z(\hat{k}_x \pm ik_y)$ ,     $|\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \propto k_z^2(k_x^2 + k_y^2)$



# Heavy-fermion superconductivity

- Phenomenology

- Density of states near line nodes

$$N^*(E) = 2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(E - E_{\mathbf{k}}) \propto E$$

$$E_{\mathbf{k}} \sim \sqrt{(v_F k_1)^2 + (\alpha k_2)^2} \quad \alpha = \frac{d\Delta}{dk_2}$$

- Specific heat

$$\frac{C_V}{T} \propto \overbrace{\frac{1}{N(E)}}^{\propto T} \sim T$$

- NMR

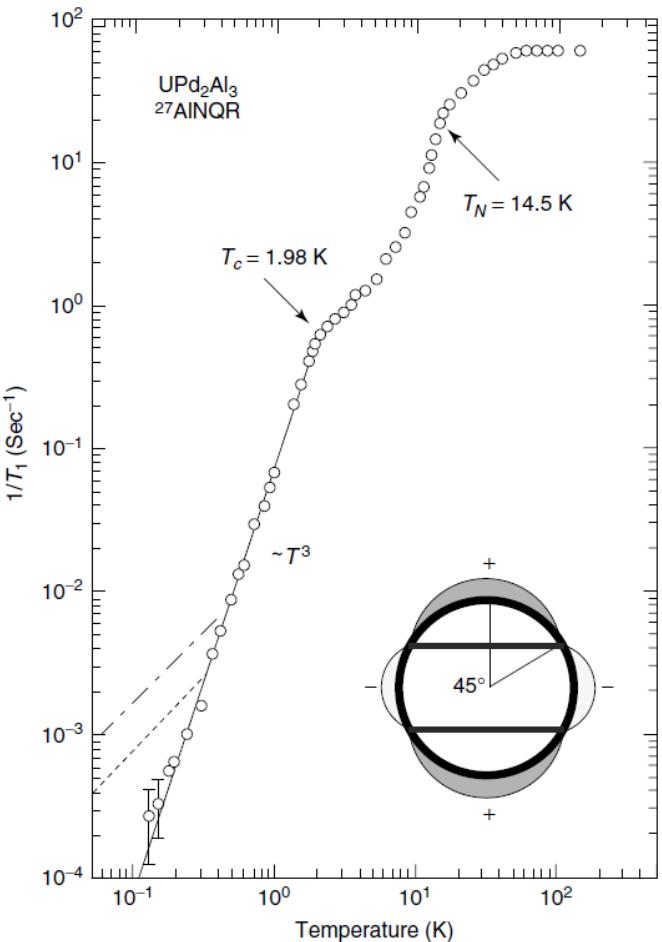
$$\frac{1}{T_1} \propto T \overbrace{\frac{1}{N(E)^2}}^{\propto T^2} \sim T^3$$

- “Volovik effect”

$$E_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow E_{\mathbf{k}} + \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{v}_s = E_{\mathbf{k}} + \mathbf{v}_F \cdot \frac{\hbar}{2} \nabla \phi$$

$$\Delta E \sim \hbar \frac{v_F}{2R} \quad \Phi_0 = \frac{h}{2e} \quad \pi H R^2 \sim \Phi_0 \quad \pi H_{c2} \xi^2 \sim \Phi_0$$

$$E_H \sim \Delta \sqrt{\frac{H}{H_{c2}}} \quad \frac{1}{R} \sim \frac{1}{\xi} \sqrt{\frac{H}{H_{c2}}}$$



$$\xi \sim \frac{v_F}{\Delta}$$

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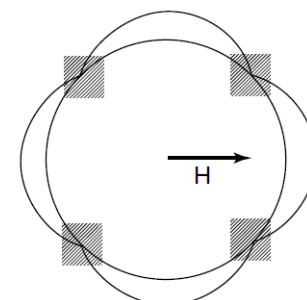
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$$E_H \sim \Delta \sqrt{\frac{H}{H_{c2}}} \quad \frac{1}{R} \sim \frac{1}{\xi} \sqrt{\frac{H}{H_{c2}}}$$

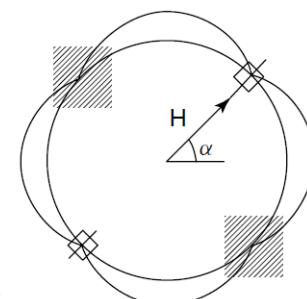
- Density of quasiparticle states

$$N^*(H) \sim N(0) \sqrt{\frac{H}{H_{c2}}}$$

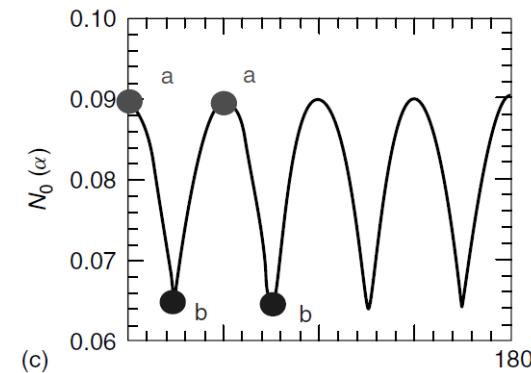
- DOS depends maximum when magnetic field and node perpendicular



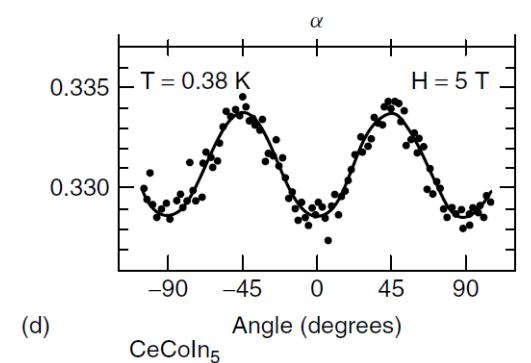
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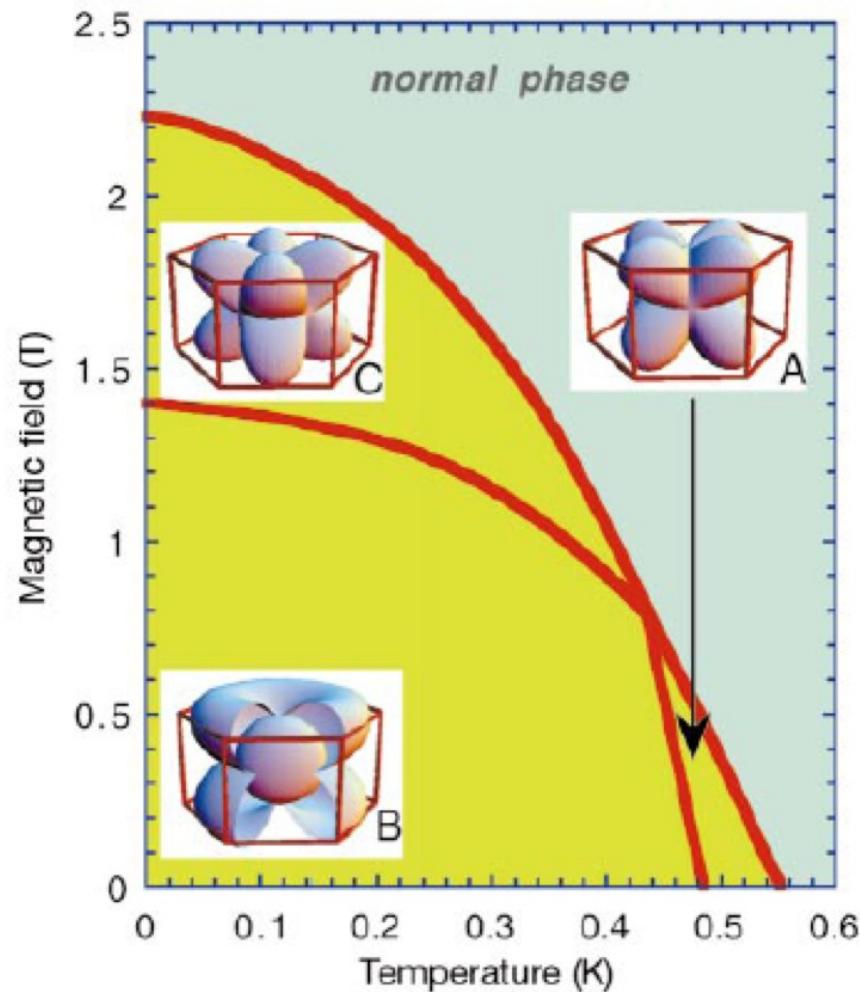
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# Superconducting “phases” of UPt<sub>3</sub>

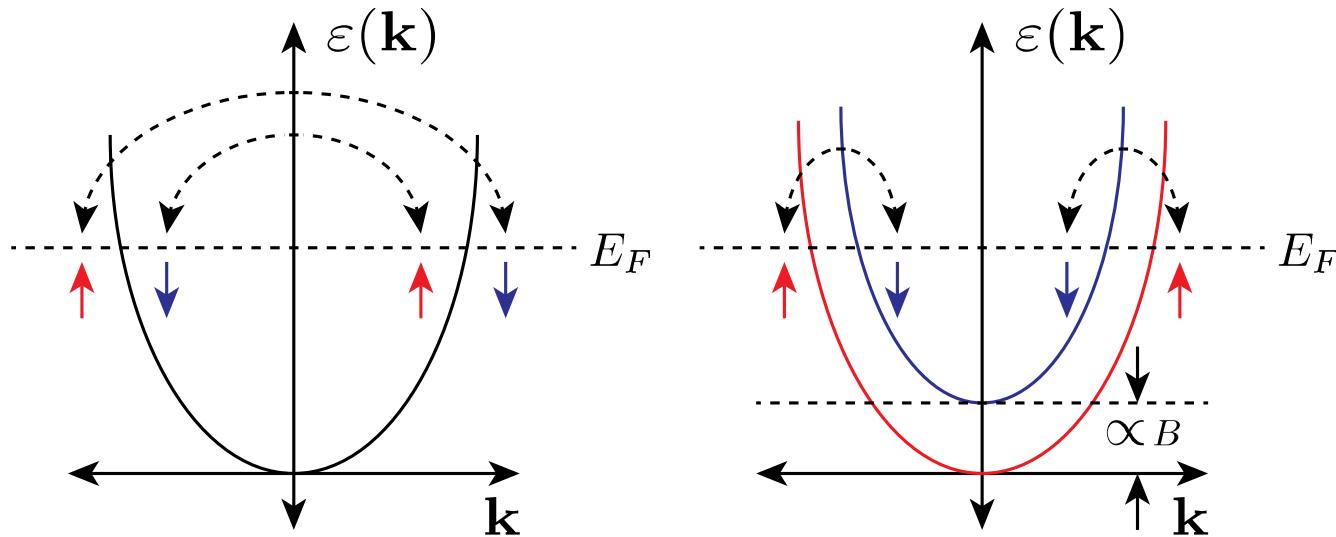
- Symmetry breaking in superconductor
  - Three superconducting phases
  - $T_N = 5 \text{ K}$
  - $T_c = 0.54 \text{ K}$
  - Antiferromagnetic order is instrumental for the symmetry breaking between the different superconducting phases



# Fulde–Ferrell–Larkin–Ovchinnikov (FFLO) state

- FFLO properties

- Superconductor in a large Zeeman field ( $B$ )
- Cooper pairs have **finite** momentum



- Spatially oscillating order parameter
- Proposed candidate: CeCoIn<sub>5</sub>
- Unfortunately even the slightest disorder destroys the FFLO state