

## Quantum corrections

$$\beta(g) = d - 2 + \frac{c_d}{g}$$

$$c_d = ? \quad \pm ?$$

$$g(L) = \sigma_{cl} L^{d-2} - \frac{c_d}{d-2} \quad d \neq 2$$
$$c_2 \log\left(\frac{L}{l}\right) \quad d = 2$$

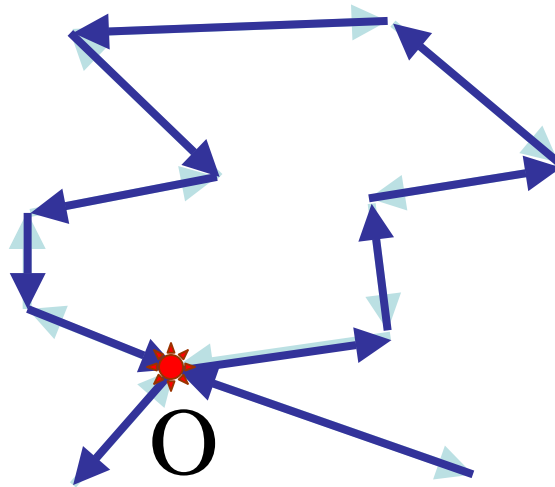
### Suggested homework:

1. Derive the equation for  $g(L)$  from this limit of the  $\beta$ -function
2. Suppose you know  $\beta(g)$  for some number of dimensions  $d$ . Let  $g$  at some size of the system  $L_0$  be close to the critical value:  $g(L_0) = g_c + \delta g$ ;  $|\delta g| \ll 1$  Estimate the localization length  $\xi$  (for  $\delta g < 0$ ) and the conductivity  $\sigma$  in the limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$  (for  $\delta g > 0$ )

# WEAK LOCALIZATION

$$\varphi = \oint \vec{p} d\vec{r}$$

Phase accumulated  
when traveling  
along the loop



The particle  
can go around  
the loop in  
two directions

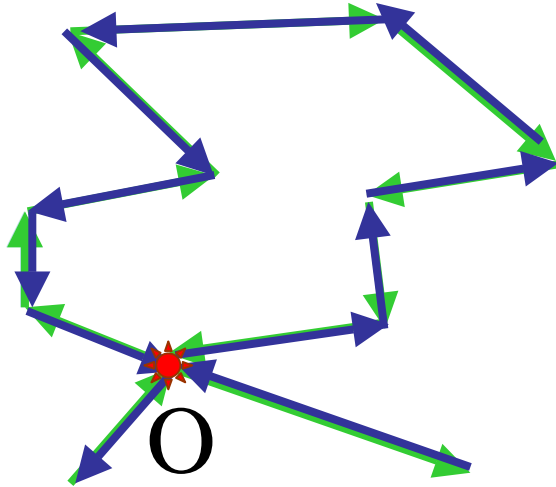
Memory!

$$\varphi_1 = \varphi_2$$

*Constructive interference*  $\longrightarrow$  *probability to return to the origin gets enhanced*  $\longrightarrow$  *diffusion constant gets reduced. Tendency towards localization*

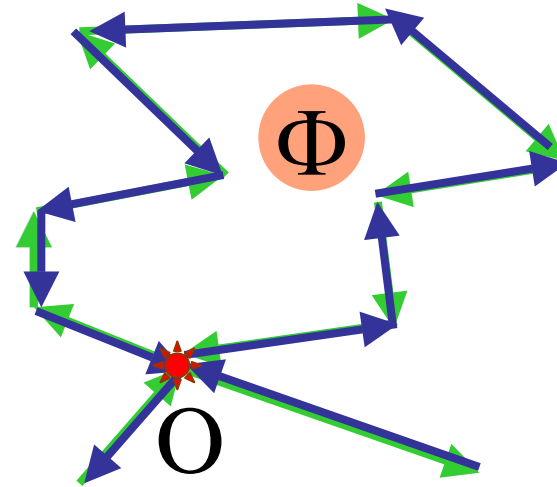
*$\beta$ -function is negative for  $d=2$*

# Magnetoresistance



*No magnetic field*

$$\varphi_1 = \varphi_2$$



*With magnetic field H*

$$\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 = 2 * 2\pi \Phi / \Phi_0$$

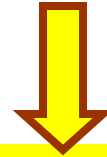
# Length Scales

*Magnetic length*

$$L_H = (hc/eH)^{1/2}$$

*Dephasing length*

$$L_\varphi = (D \tau_\varphi)^{1/2}$$



$$\delta g(H) = f_d \left( \frac{L_H}{L_\varphi} \right)$$

Universal  
functions

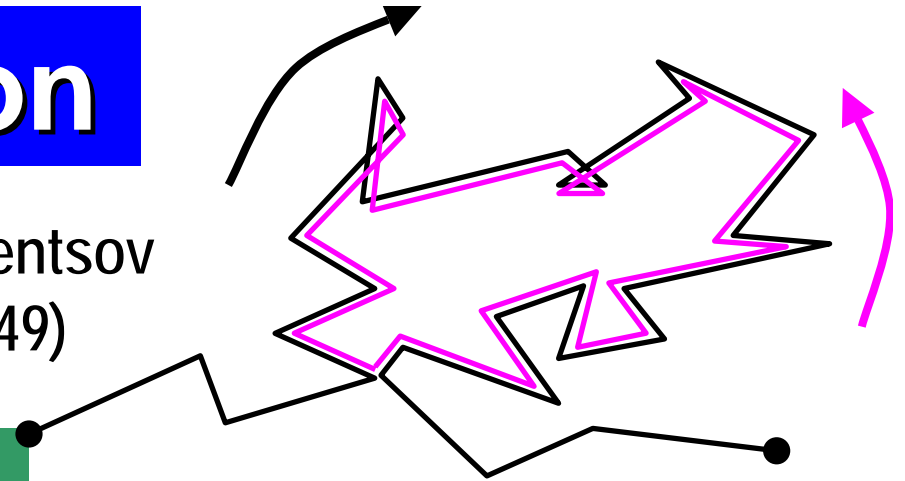
*Magnetoresistance measurements allow to study inelastic collisions of electrons with phonons and other electrons*

# Weak Localization

## Negative Magnetoresistance

## Aharonov-Bohm effect

Chentsov (1949)



### Theory

B.A., Aronov & Spivak (1981)

### Experiment

Sharvin & Sharvin (1981)

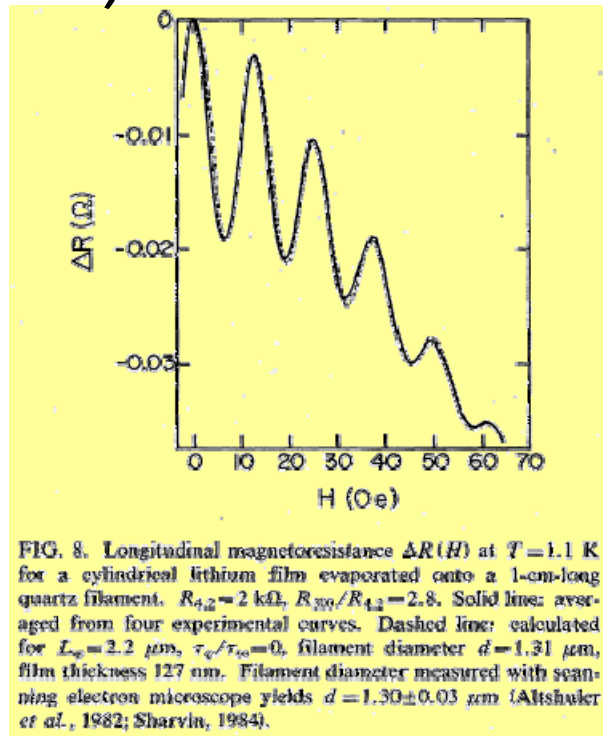
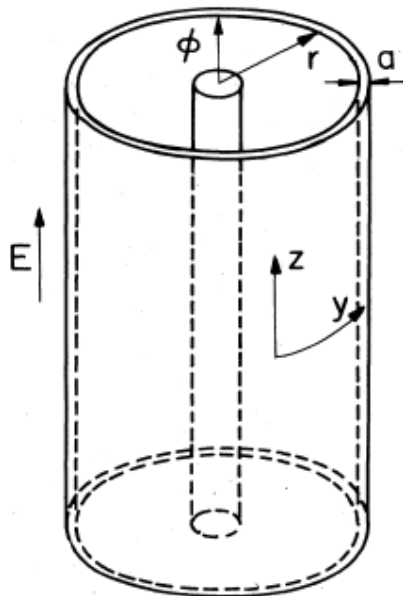


FIG. 8. Longitudinal magnetoresistance  $\Delta R(H)$  at  $T=1.1$  K for a cylindrical lithium film evaporated onto a 1-cm-long quartz filament.  $R_{4,2}=2$  k $\Omega$ ,  $R_{30}/R_{4,2}=2.8$ . Solid line: averaged from four experimental curves. Dashed line: calculated for  $L_{\phi}=2.2$   $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $\tau_{\phi}/\tau_{so}=0$ , filament diameter  $d=1.31$   $\mu\text{m}$ , film thickness 127 nm. Filament diameter measured with scanning electron microscope yields  $d=1.30\pm 0.03$   $\mu\text{m}$  (Altshuler *et al.*, 1982; Sharvin, 1984).



## *Lesson 2:*

# Brownian Particle as a mesoscopic system

## Magnetoresistance of small, quasi-one-dimensional, normal-metal rings and lines

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The magnetoresistance of sub- $0.4\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ -diam Au and  $\text{Au}_{40}\text{Pd}_{40}$  rings was measured in a perpendicular magnetic field at temperatures as low as 5 mK in search of simple, periodic resistance oscillations that would be evidence of flux quantization in normal-metal rings. The very complex structure developed in the magnetoresistance data did not reveal convincing evidence for flux quantization. The structure that was observed in the rings was also found in the lines. This structure appears to be associated with



Mesoscopic fluctuations

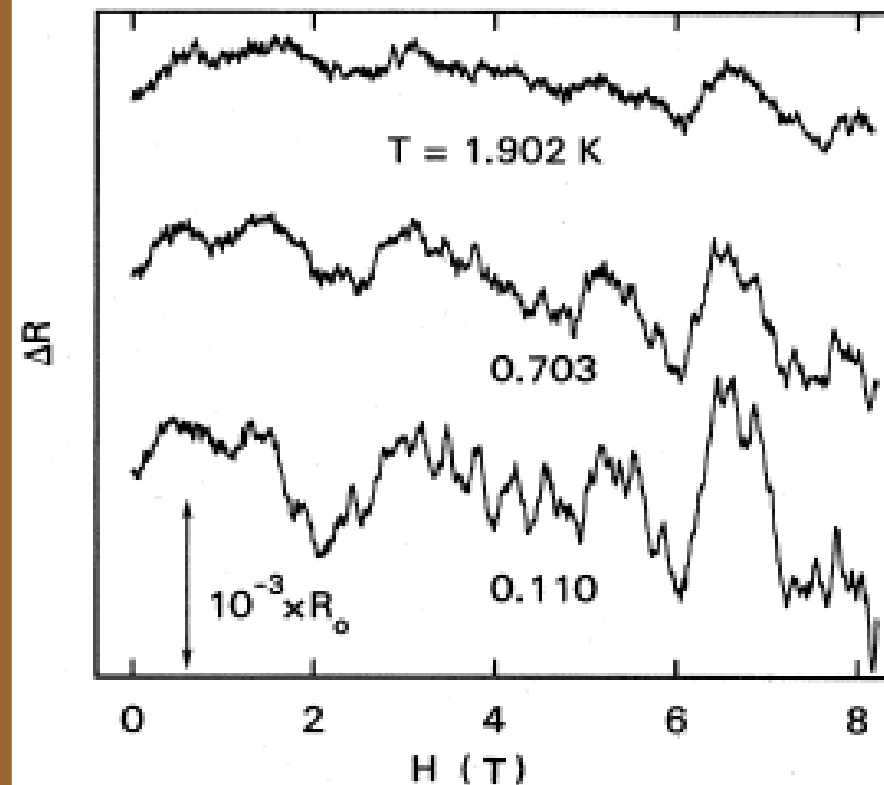
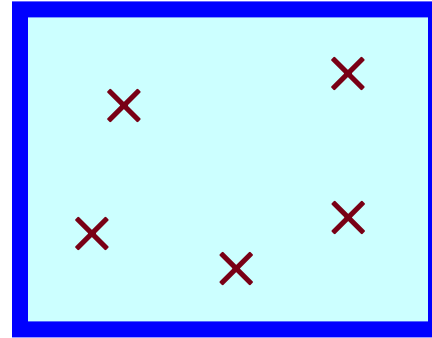
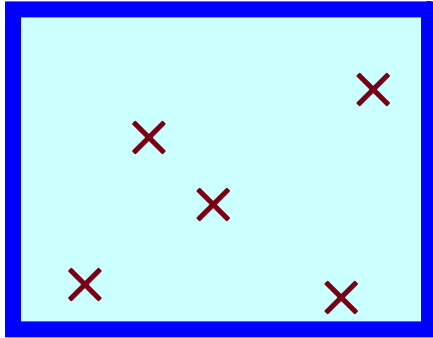


FIG. 4. Temperature dependence of the magnetoresistance from 0–8 T of a 60-nm-diam by 790-nm-long  $\text{Au}_{40}\text{Pd}_{40}$  line. The zero-field resistance of the line,  $R_0$ , was 101.7  $\Omega$ .

# Mesoscopic Fluctuations.

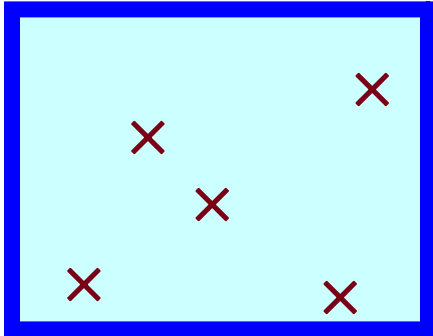


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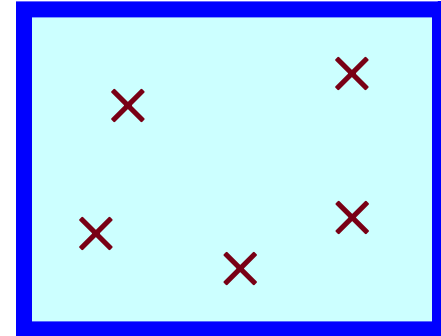
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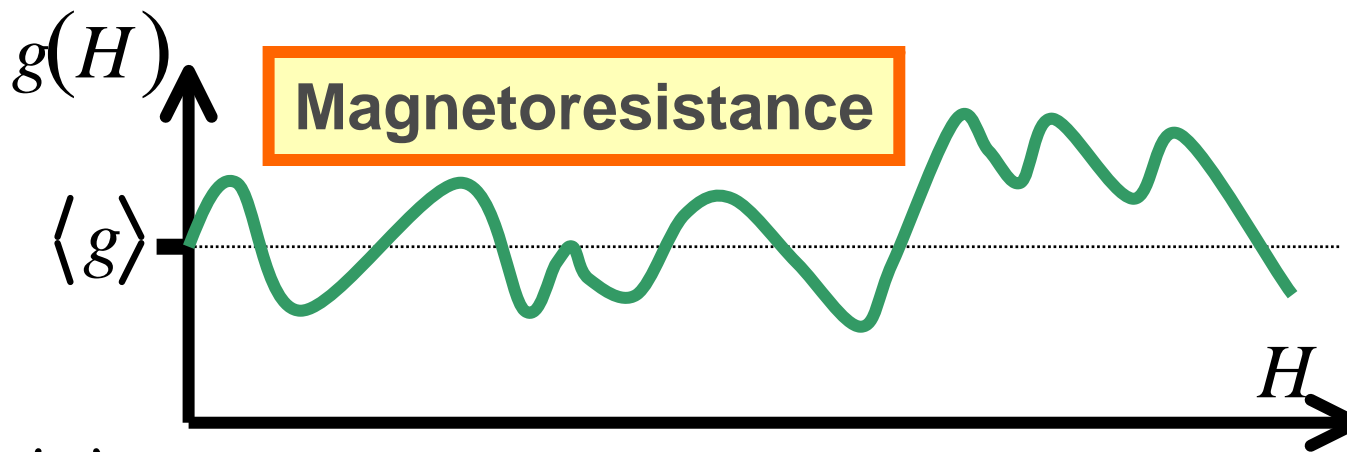
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$g(H)$   
is sample  
-dependent

$\langle \dots \rangle$  - ensemble averaging

$$\langle g \rangle \gg 1$$

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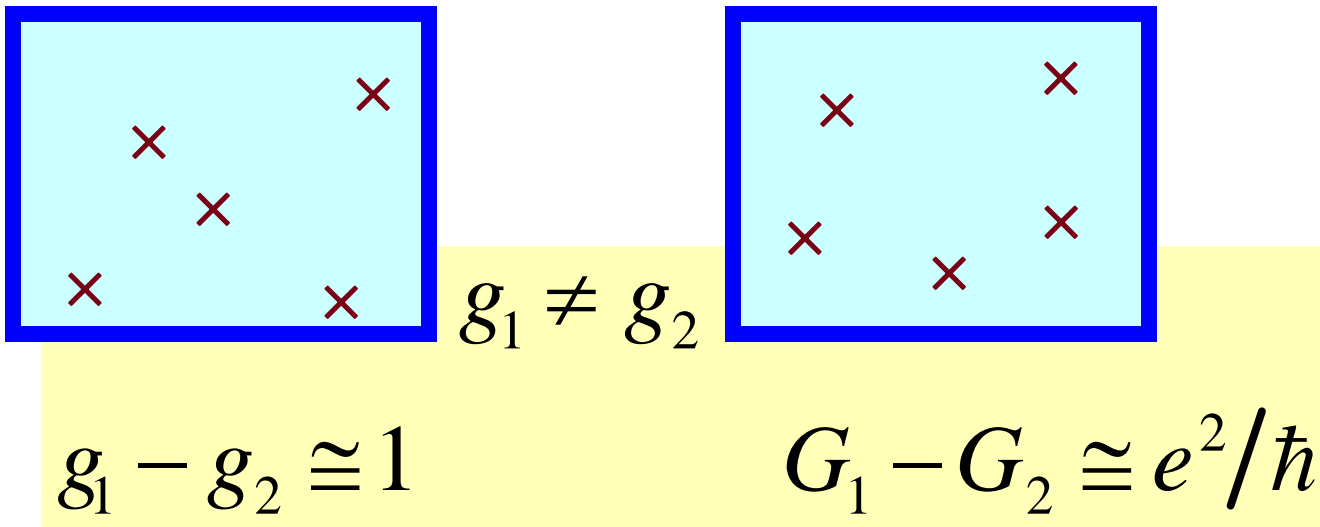
**Mesoscopic physics:** Not only  $\langle g(H) \rangle$

But also  $\langle [g(H) - g(H+h)]^2 \rangle$

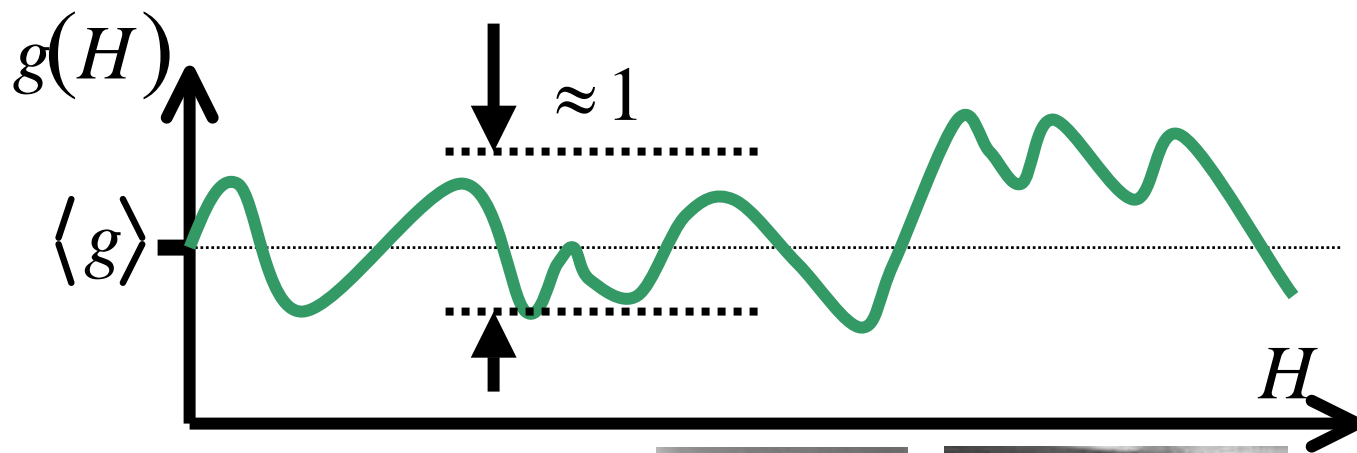
## Brownian motion

## Conductance fluctuations

ensemble	Set of brownian particles	Set of small conductors
observables	Position of each particle $\vec{r}$	Conductance of each sample $g$
evolves as function of	Time $t$	Magnetic field $H$ or any other external tunable parameter
Interested in	Statistics of $\vec{r}(t)$	Statistics of $g(H)$
Example	$\langle [\vec{r}(t_1) - \vec{r}(t_2)]^2 \rangle$	$\langle [g(H_1) - g(H_2)]^2 \rangle$



### Magnetoresistance



Statistics of the functions of  $g(H)$  are universal

B.A.(1985);  
Lee & Stone (1985)

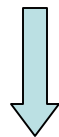


Statistics of random function(s)  $g(H)$  are universal !!!

In particular,

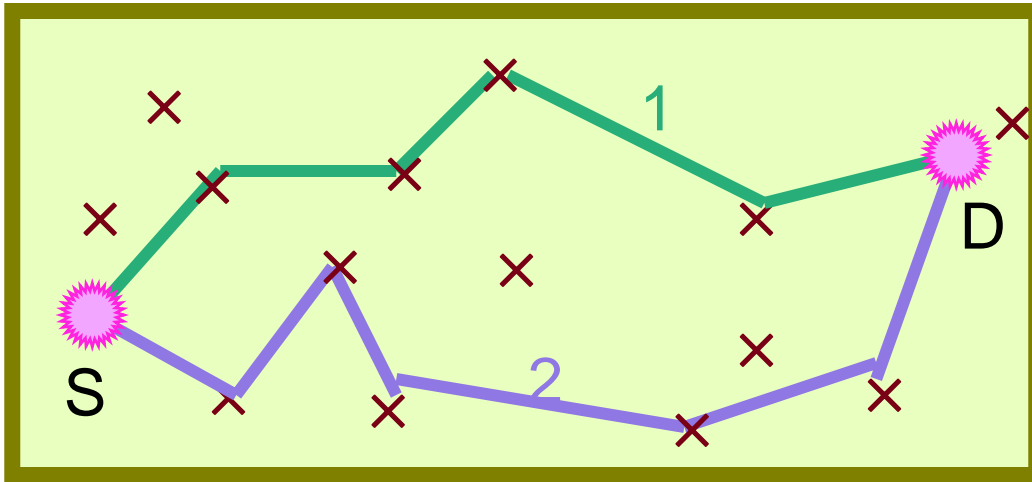
$$\langle (\delta g)^2 \rangle \sim 1$$

$$g \propto L^{d-2} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\langle (\delta g)^2 \rangle}{g^2} \propto L^{4-2d} \gg L^{-d}$$



Fluctuations are large and nonlocal

# Waves in Random Media



$W_1, W_2$  probabilities  
 $A_1, A_2$  probability amplitudes

$$W_{1,2} = |A_{1,2}|^2$$

$$A_{1,2} = |A_{1,2}| e^{i\varphi_{1,2}}$$

Total probability

$$W = |A_1 + A_2|^2 = W_1 + W_2 + 2\text{Re}(A_1 A_2^*)$$

interference term:

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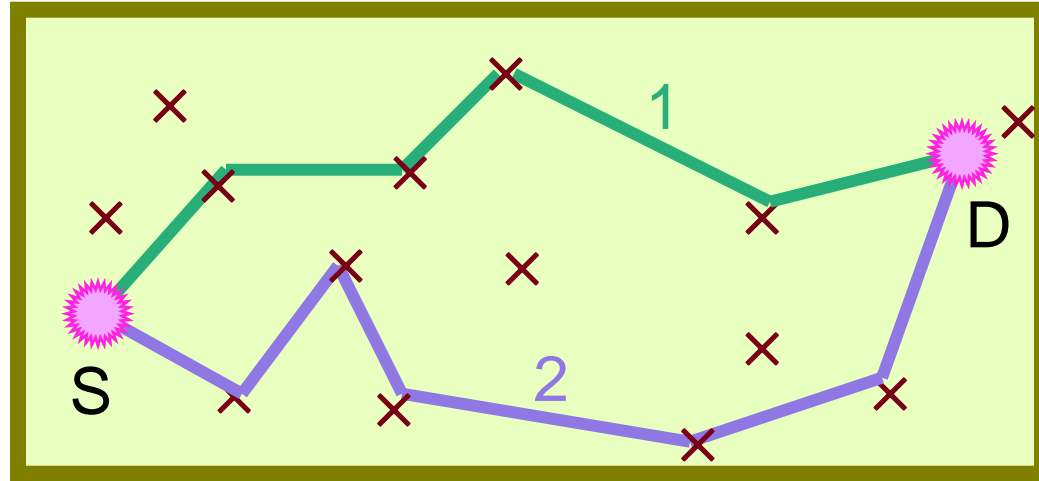
2. Phases  $\varphi_{1,2}$  are random

3.  $|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2| \gg 2\pi$

The interference term disappears after averaging

$$\langle \cos(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) \rangle = 0$$

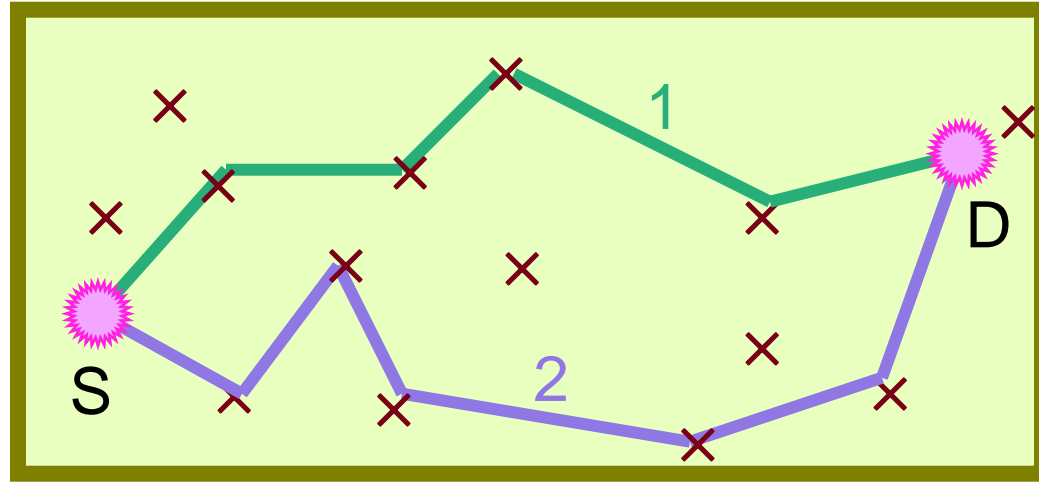
$$\langle W \rangle = \langle W_1 \rangle + \langle W_2 \rangle$$



$$W = |A_1 + A_2|^2 = W_1 + W_2 + 2\text{Re}(A_1 A_2^*)$$

Classical result for **average** probability:

$$\langle W \rangle = W_1 + W_2$$



Consider now square of the probability

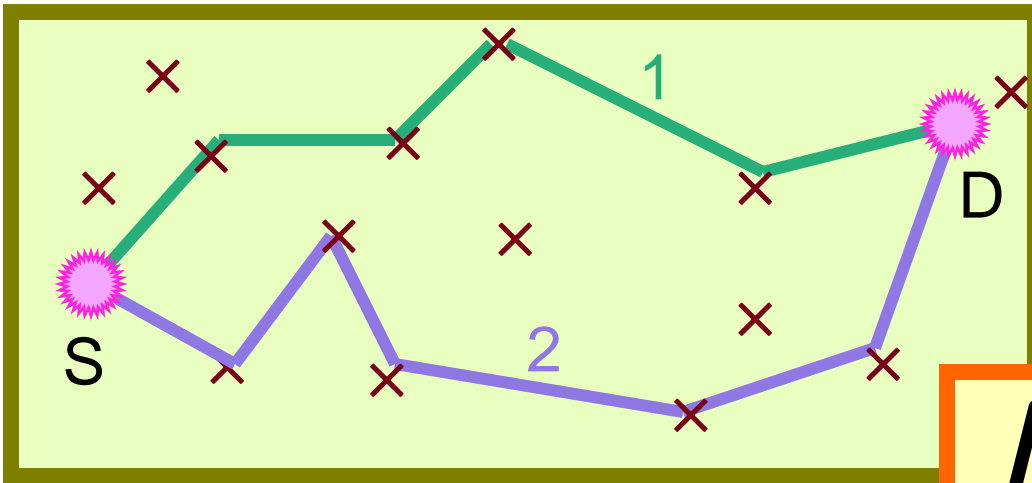
$$\langle W^2 \rangle = (W_1 + W_2)^2 + 2W_1 W_2$$

**Reason:**

$$\langle \cos(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \cos^2(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) \rangle = 1/2$$

$$\langle W^2 \rangle \neq \langle W \rangle^2$$

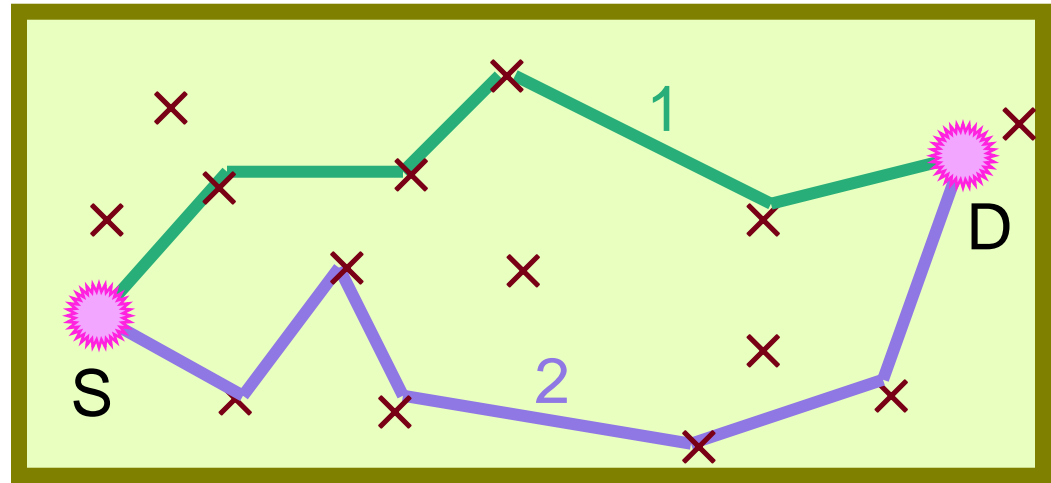


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## CONCLUSIONS:

1. There are fluctuations!
2. Effect is nonlocal.

Now let us try to understand the effect of magnetic field. Consider the correlation function



$$\langle W(H)W(H+h) \rangle = \langle W(H) \rangle \langle W(H+h) \rangle + 2W_1W_2 \langle \cos(\delta\varphi(H))\cos(\delta\varphi(H+h)) \rangle$$

$$\delta\varphi \equiv \varphi_1 - \varphi_2$$

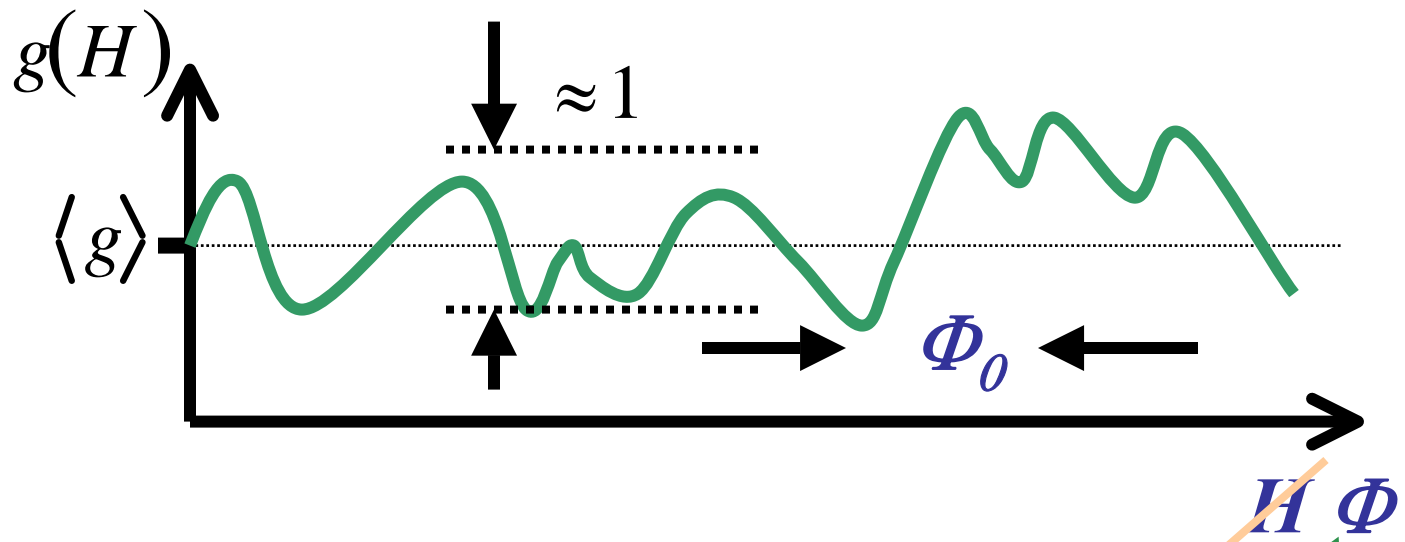
$$\langle \cos(\delta\varphi(H))\cos(\delta\varphi(H+h)) \rangle \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{for } h \rightarrow 0 \quad (\Phi(h) \ll \Phi_0)$$

$$0 \quad \text{for } \Phi(h) \gg \Phi_0$$

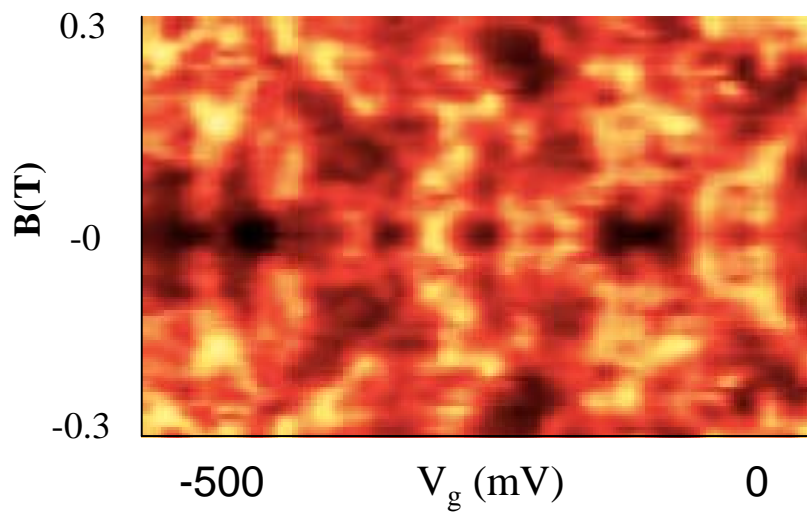
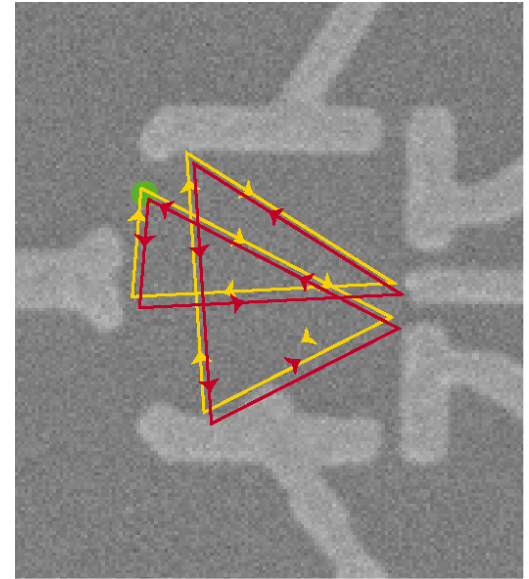
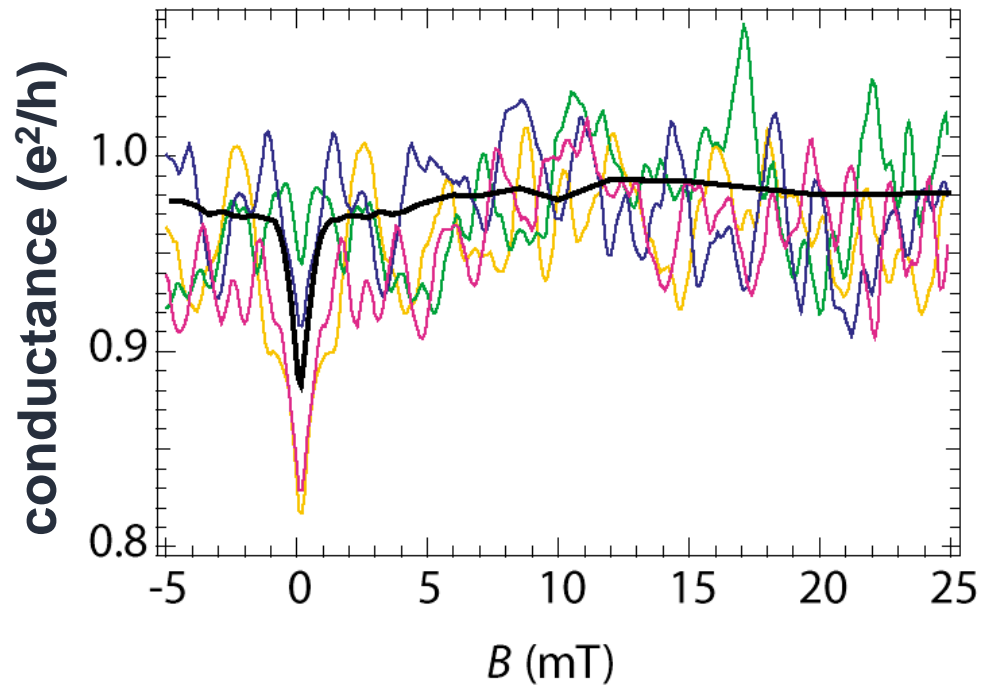
$$\Phi(h) = h \bullet (\text{area of the loop})$$

# Magnetoresistance



Flux through the whole system

# Quantum Chaos

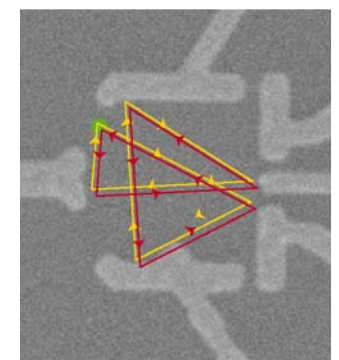
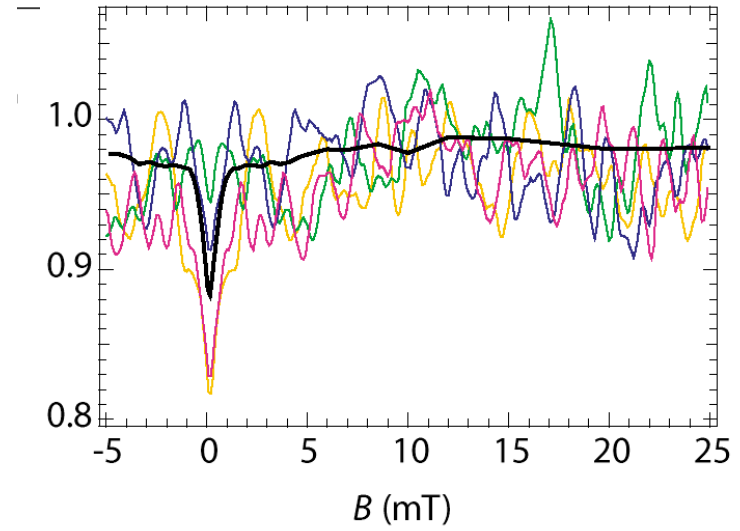
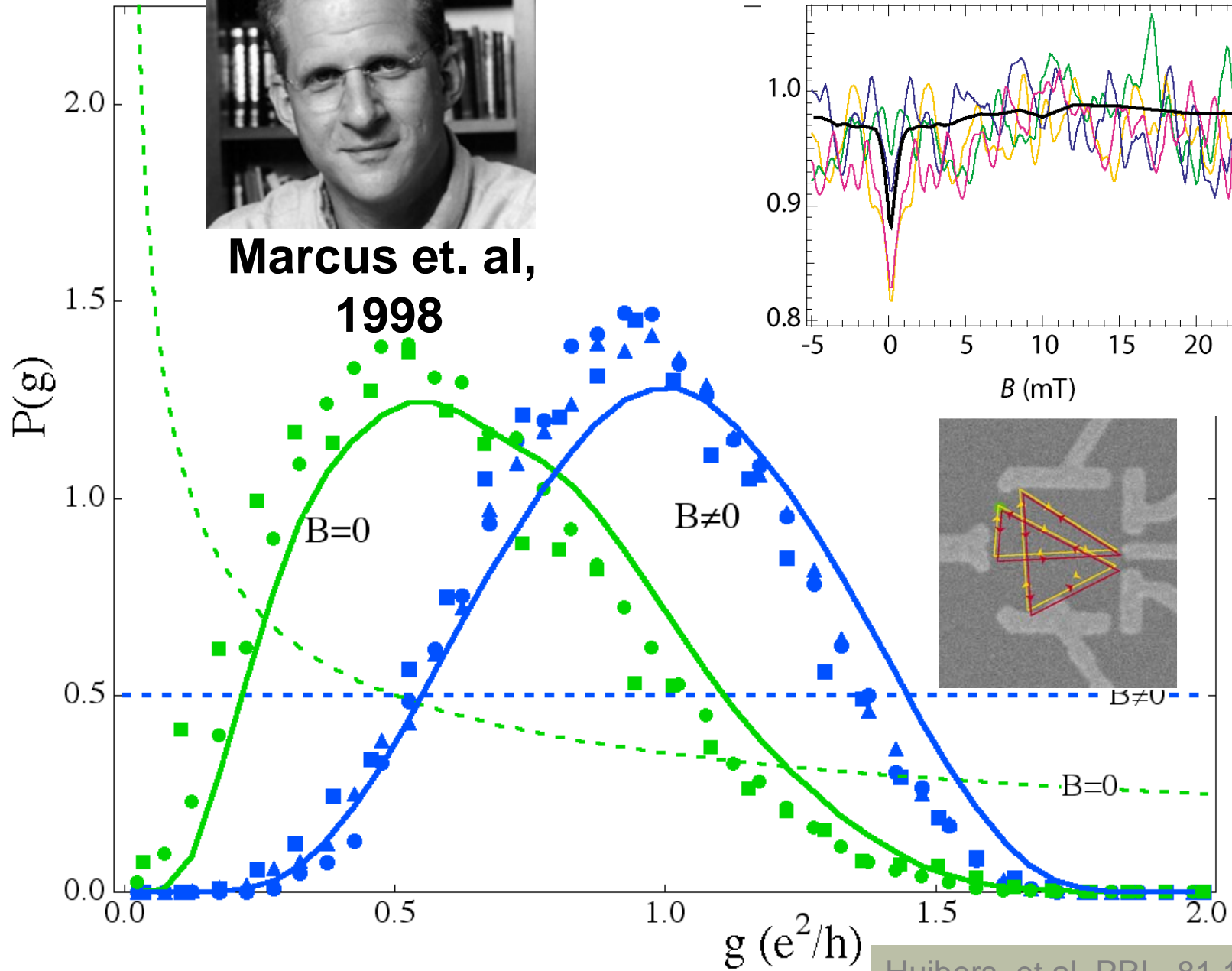


Marcus et al



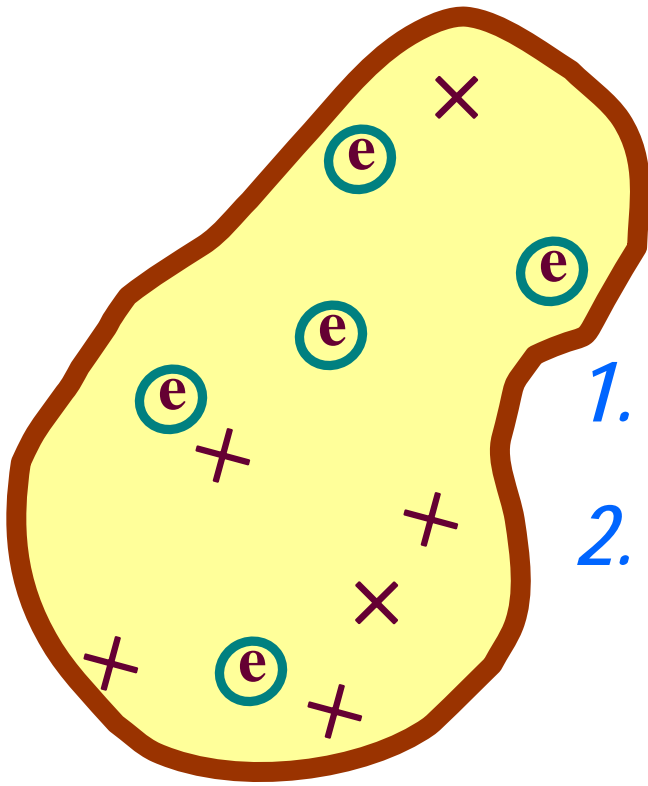


**Marcus et. al,  
1998**



Huibers, et al. PRL, 81 1917(1998).





1. Disorder ( $\times$  – impurities)
2. Complex geometry

How to deal with disorder?

- ~~Solve the Shrodinger equation exactly~~
- Make statistical analysis

What if there in no disorder?

*Part 2:*

Random Matrix Theory  
And  
Quantum Chaos

# RANDOM MATRIX THEORY

Spectral  
statistics

$$N \times N$$

*ensemble of Hermitian matrices  
with random matrix element*

$$N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$E_\alpha$$

- spectrum (set of eigenvalues)

$$\delta_1 \equiv \langle E_{\alpha+1} - E_\alpha \rangle$$

- mean level spacing

$$\langle \dots \rangle$$

- **ensemble** averaging

$$s \equiv \frac{E_{\alpha+1} - E_\alpha}{\delta_1}$$

- spacing between nearest  
neighbors

$$P(s)$$

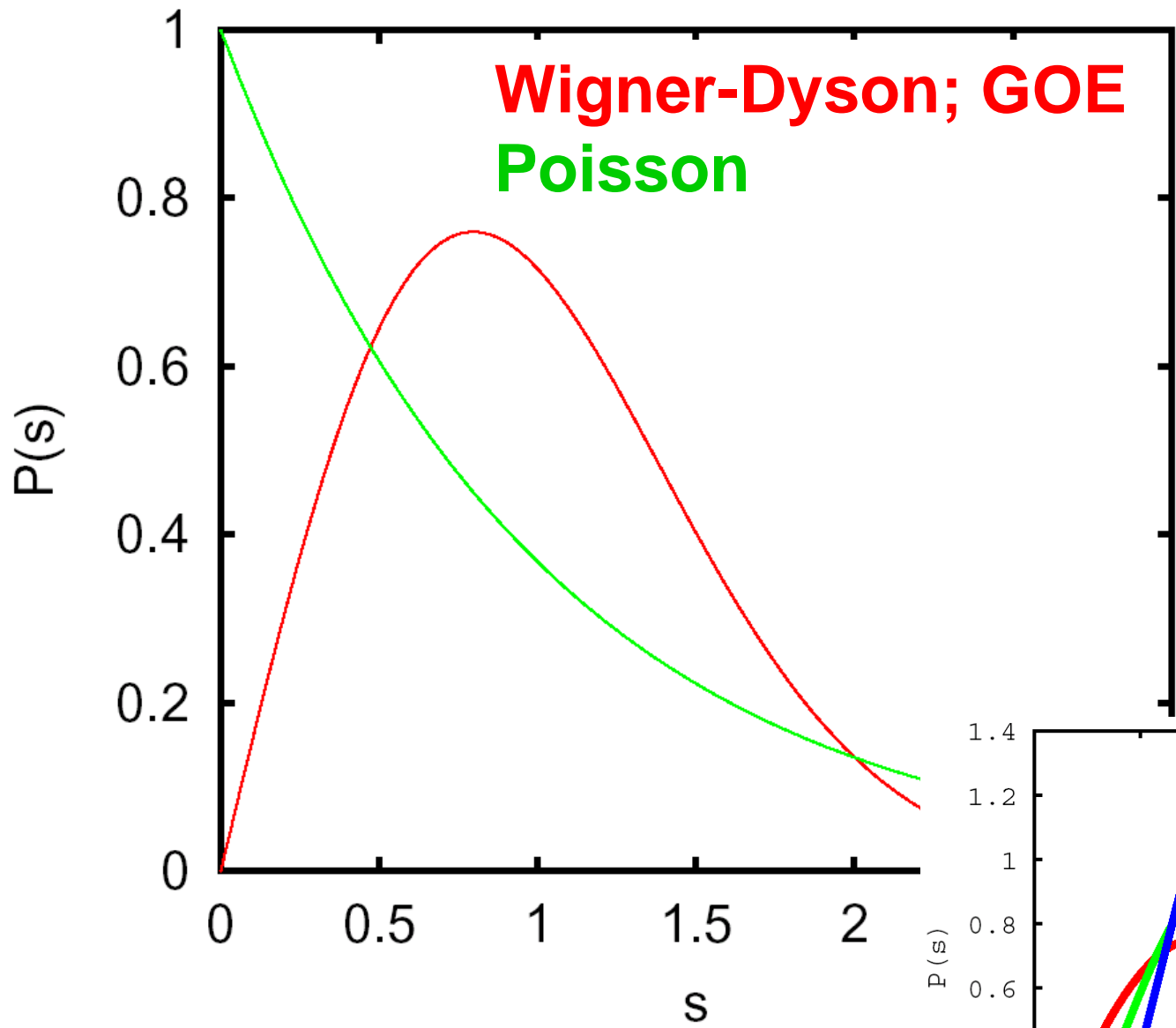
- distribution function of nearest  
neighbors spacing between

Spectral Rigidity

$$P(s = 0) = 0$$

Level repulsion

$$P(s \ll 1) \propto s^\beta \quad \beta=1,2,4$$

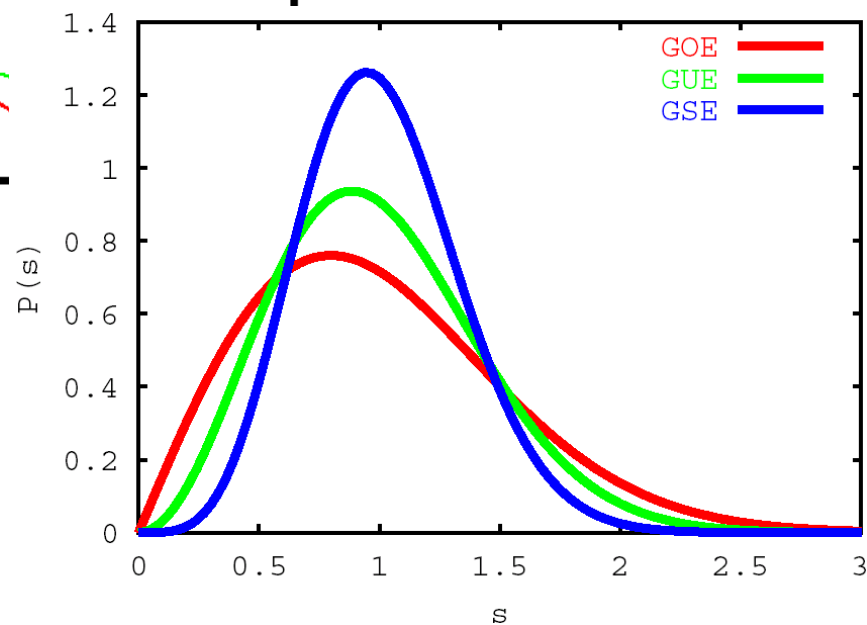


Gaussian  
Orthogonal  
Ensemble

Unitary  
 $\beta=2$

Symplectic  
 $\beta=4$

Poisson – completely uncorrelated levels



Reason for  $P(s) \rightarrow 0$  when  $s \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{12}^* & H_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_2 - E_1 = \sqrt{(H_{22} - H_{11})^2 + |H_{12}|^2}$$

small

small

small

1. The assumption is that the matrix elements are statistically independent. Therefore probability of two levels to be degenerate vanishes.
2. If  $H_{12}$  is **real (orthogonal ensemble)**, then for  $s$  to be small **two statistically independent variables** ( $(H_{22} - H_{11})$  and  $H_{12}$ ) should be small and thus  $P(s) \propto s \quad \beta = 1$
3. **Complex  $H_{12}$  (unitary ensemble)**  $\implies$  both  $Re(H_{12})$  and  $Im(H_{12})$  are statistically independent  $\implies$  **three** independent random variables should be small  $\implies P(s) \propto s^2 \quad \beta = 2$

# RANDOM MATRICES

$N \times N$  matrices with random matrix elements.  $N \rightarrow \infty$

## Dyson Ensembles

<u>Matrix elements</u>	<u>Ensemble</u>	$\beta$	<u>realization</u>
real	orthogonal	1	T-inv potential
complex	unitary	2	broken T-invariance (e.g., by magnetic field)
$2 \times 2$ matrices	symplectic	4	T-inv, but with spin-orbital coupling

# Finite size quantum physical systems

**Atoms**

**Nuclei**

**Molecules**

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**Quantum  
Dots**

## ATOMS

Main goal is to classify the eigenstates in terms of the quantum numbers

## NUCLEI

For the nuclear excitations this program does not work

### *E.P. Wigner:*

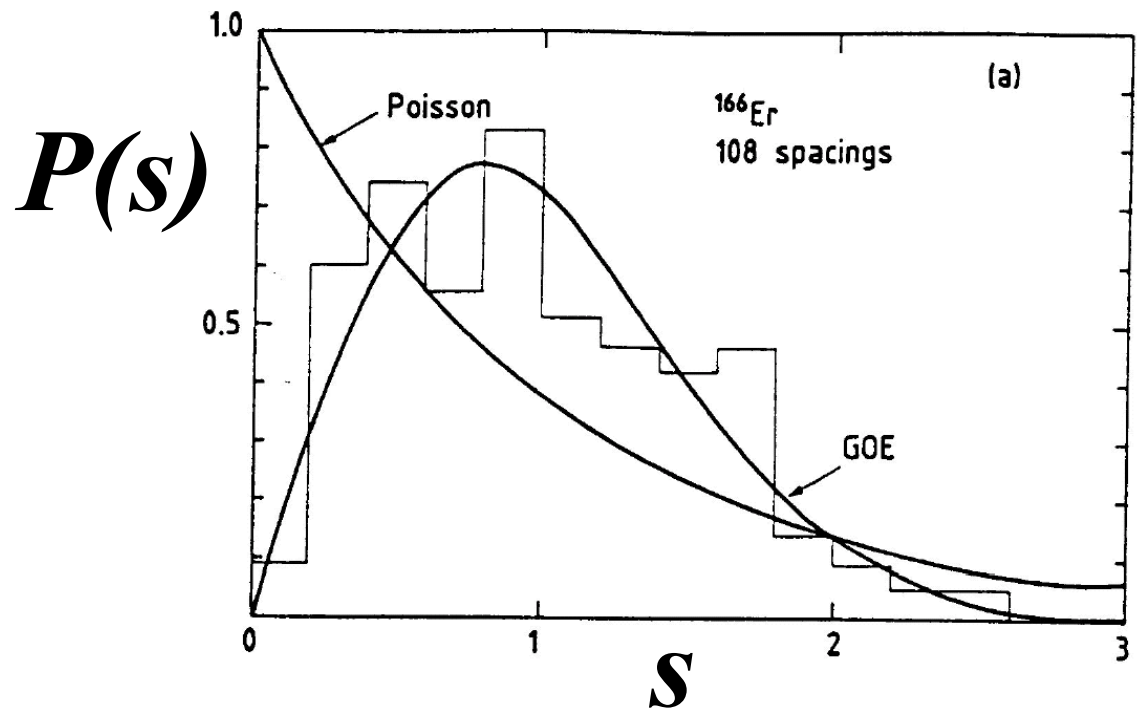
Study spectral **statistics** of a **particular** quantum system - a given nucleus

Random Matrices	Atomic Nuclei
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Ensemble</i></li><li>• <i>Ensemble averaging</i></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Particular quantum system</i></li><li>• <i>Spectral averaging (over <math>\alpha</math>)</i></li></ul>

## Nevertheless

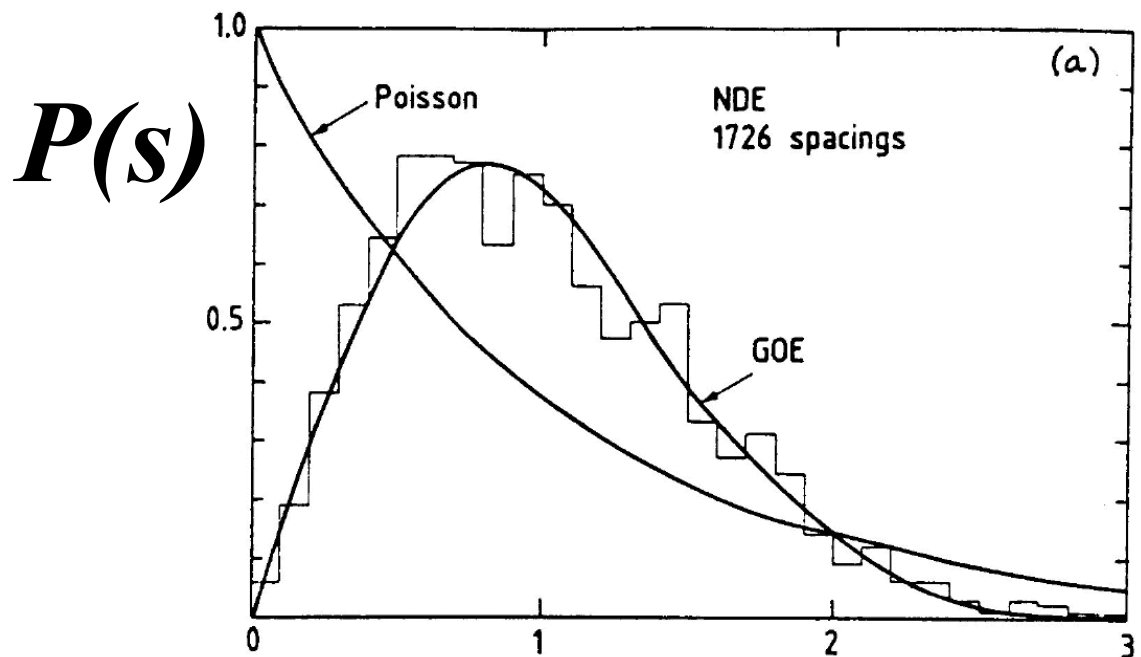
Statistics of the nuclear spectra are almost exactly the same as the Random Matrix Statistics





Particular nucleus

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Spectra of  
several nuclei  
combined (after  
rescaling by the  
mean level  
spacing)

**E.P. Wigner**, Conference on Neutron Physics by  
Time of Flight, November **1956**

**P.W. Anderson**, “*Absence of Diffusion in Certain  
Random Lattices*”; Phys.Rev., **1958**, v.109, p.1492