

Scattering approach to heat transport.  
Application to  
*a single*-electron emitter  
for chiral wave-guides

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# Overview

- General scattering approach
  - ▶ Heat generation and heat pump effect
- Single-channel chiral emitter
  - ▶ Quantized emission regime : Energy of emitted particles understood from different perspectives
- Heat fluctuations and how to measure them
- Energy dissipated by the two-particle emitter and two emission regimes, adiabatic and non-adiabatic
- Conclusion

# General formalism

# Continuity equation for energy

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + U, \quad i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\Psi = H\Psi,$$

$$\langle E \rangle_V = \frac{1}{2} \int_V dV \{ \Psi^* H \Psi + h.c. \},$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle E \rangle_V + \int_{\Sigma} d\Sigma I^E = \int_V dV S^E,$$

energy current  
density

energy production

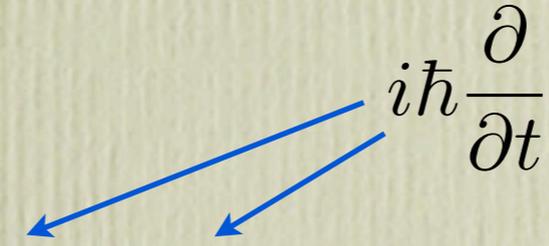
$$S^E = \text{Re} \left\{ \Psi^* \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} \Psi \right\},$$

# Energy current from wave function

energy current :

$$I^E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \Psi^* \frac{\partial \nabla \Psi}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial t} \nabla \Psi \right\} ,$$

particle current :

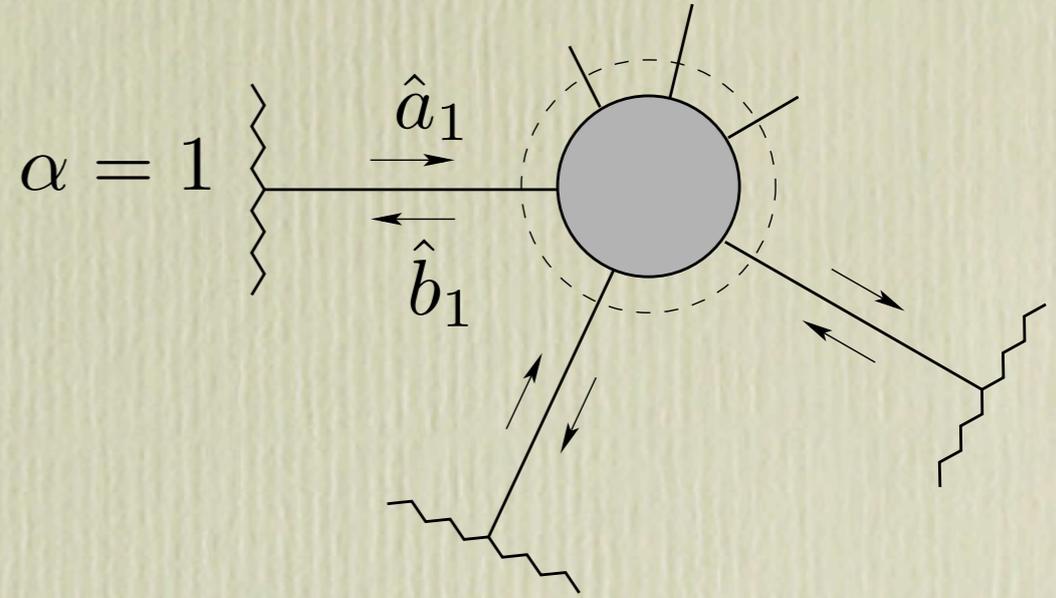
$$I = \frac{\hbar}{m} \operatorname{Im} \{ \Psi^* \nabla \Psi \} ,$$


The diagram shows two blue arrows pointing from the term  $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$  in the particle current equation to the corresponding terms in the energy current equation. The first arrow points to  $\Psi^* \frac{\partial \nabla \Psi}{\partial t}$  and the second arrow points to  $-\frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial t} \nabla \Psi$ .

- i) A. Brataas, Y. Tserkovnyak, and G. E. W. Bauer, Physical Review B 84, (2011),
- ii) G. A. Levin, W. A. Jones, K. Walczak, and K. L. Yerkes, arXiv cond-mat.mes-hall, (2012),  
(D. Bohm, Quantum Theory, Dover Pub. New York (1989) p. 89.)

# Heat current in scattering language

$$\hat{\Psi}_\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^\infty dE e^{-i\frac{E}{\hbar}t} \left\{ \hat{a}_\alpha(E) \frac{\psi_\alpha^{(in)}(E)}{\sqrt{\hbar v_\alpha(E)}} + \hat{b}_\alpha(E) \frac{\psi_\alpha^{(out)}(E)}{\sqrt{\hbar v_\alpha(E)}} \right\},$$



M. Büttiker, Physical Review B 45, 3807 (1992).

$$\hat{I}_\alpha^E(t) = \frac{1}{h} \iint dE dE' \frac{E + E'}{2} e^{i\frac{E-E'}{\hbar}t} \left\{ \hat{b}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{b}_\alpha(E') - \hat{a}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{a}_\alpha(E') \right\},$$

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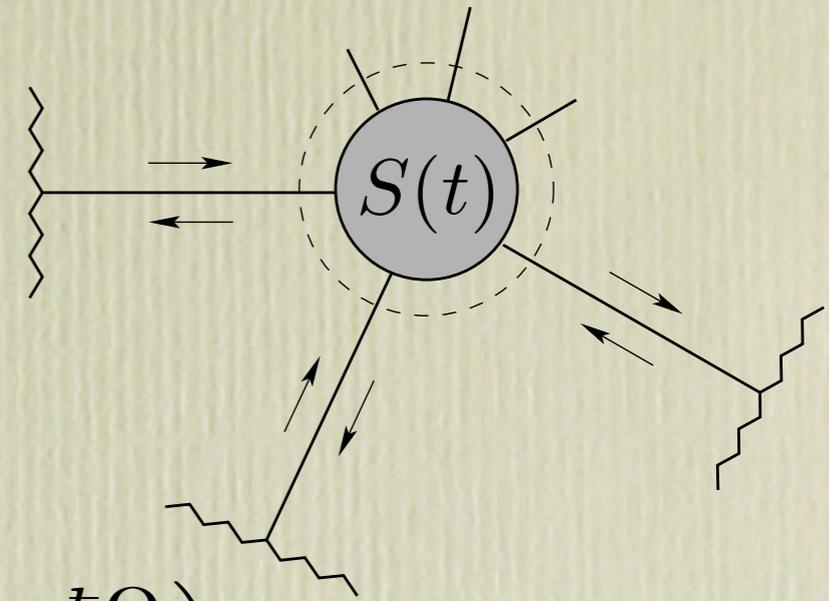
$$\hat{I}_\alpha^Q(t) = \frac{1}{h} \iint dE dE' \left\{ \frac{E + E'}{2} - \mu_\alpha \right\} e^{i\frac{E-E'}{\hbar}t} \left\{ \hat{b}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{b}_\alpha(E') - \hat{a}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{a}_\alpha(E') \right\},$$

# Heat current in terms of Floquet

$$S(t) = S(t + \mathcal{T}),$$

$$\hat{b}_\alpha(E) = \sum_\beta \sum_n S_{F,\alpha\beta}(E, E_n) \hat{a}_\beta(E_n),$$

$$E_n = E + n\hbar\Omega, \quad \Omega = 2\pi/\mathcal{T},$$



$$I_\alpha^Q(t) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-il\Omega t} \int dE \left( E - \mu_\alpha + l \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \right)$$

$$\times \sum_n \sum_\beta \{ f_\beta(E_n) - f_\alpha(E) \} S_{F,\alpha\beta}^*(E, E_n) S_{F,\alpha\beta}(E_l, E_n),$$

$$\bar{I}_\alpha^Q = \frac{1}{h} \int dE (E - \mu_\alpha) \sum_n \sum_\beta \{ f_\beta(E_n) - f_\alpha(E) \} |S_{F,\alpha\beta}(E, E_n)|^2,$$

a DC heat is in: M. M. and M. Büttiker, Physical Review B 66, 205320 (2002).

# Heat generation

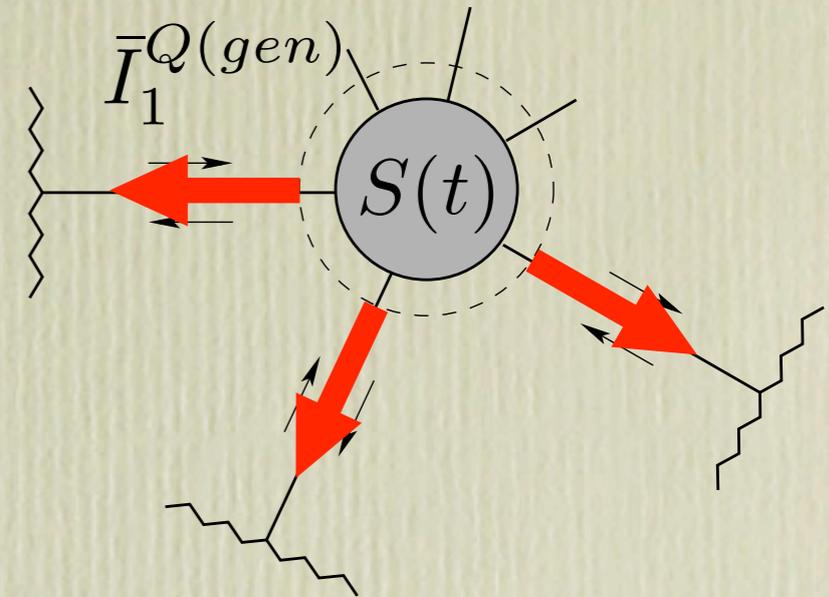
pumping set-up :  $f_\alpha = f_0, \quad \forall \alpha,$

generated DC heat :

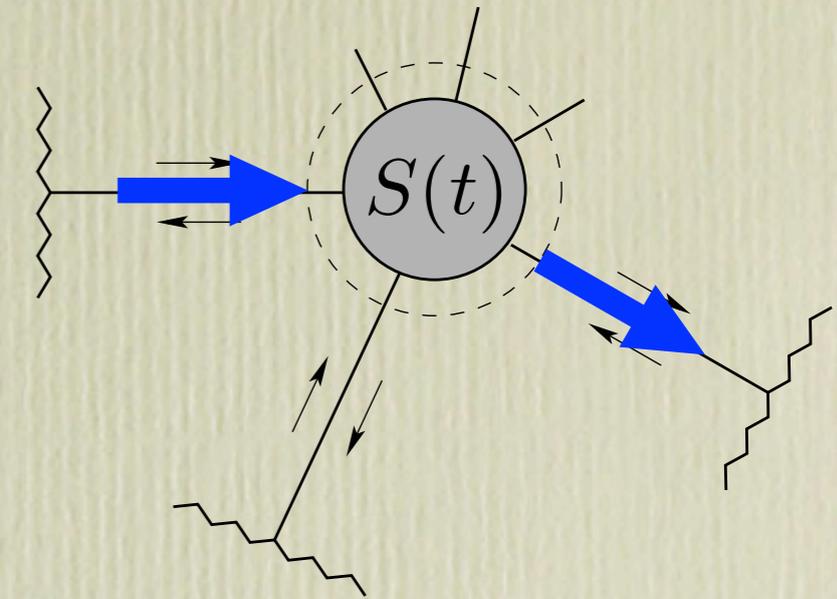
$$\bar{I}_{tot}^Q \equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_r} \bar{I}_\alpha^Q = \frac{\Omega}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty dE f_0(E) \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty n \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_r} \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_r} |S_{F,\alpha\beta}(E_n, E)|^2 \neq 0,$$

while no generated charge !

$$\bar{I}_{tot} \equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_r} \bar{I}_\alpha = 0,$$



# Pumped heat



transferred heat :

$$I_{\alpha}^{Q(pump)} = I_{\alpha}^Q - I_{\alpha}^{Q(gen)},$$

$$I_{\alpha}^{Q(pump)} = \frac{1}{h} \int_0^{\infty} dE (E - \mu_0) f_0(E) \left\{ \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_r} |S_{F,\alpha\beta}(E_n, E)|^2 - 1 \right\},$$

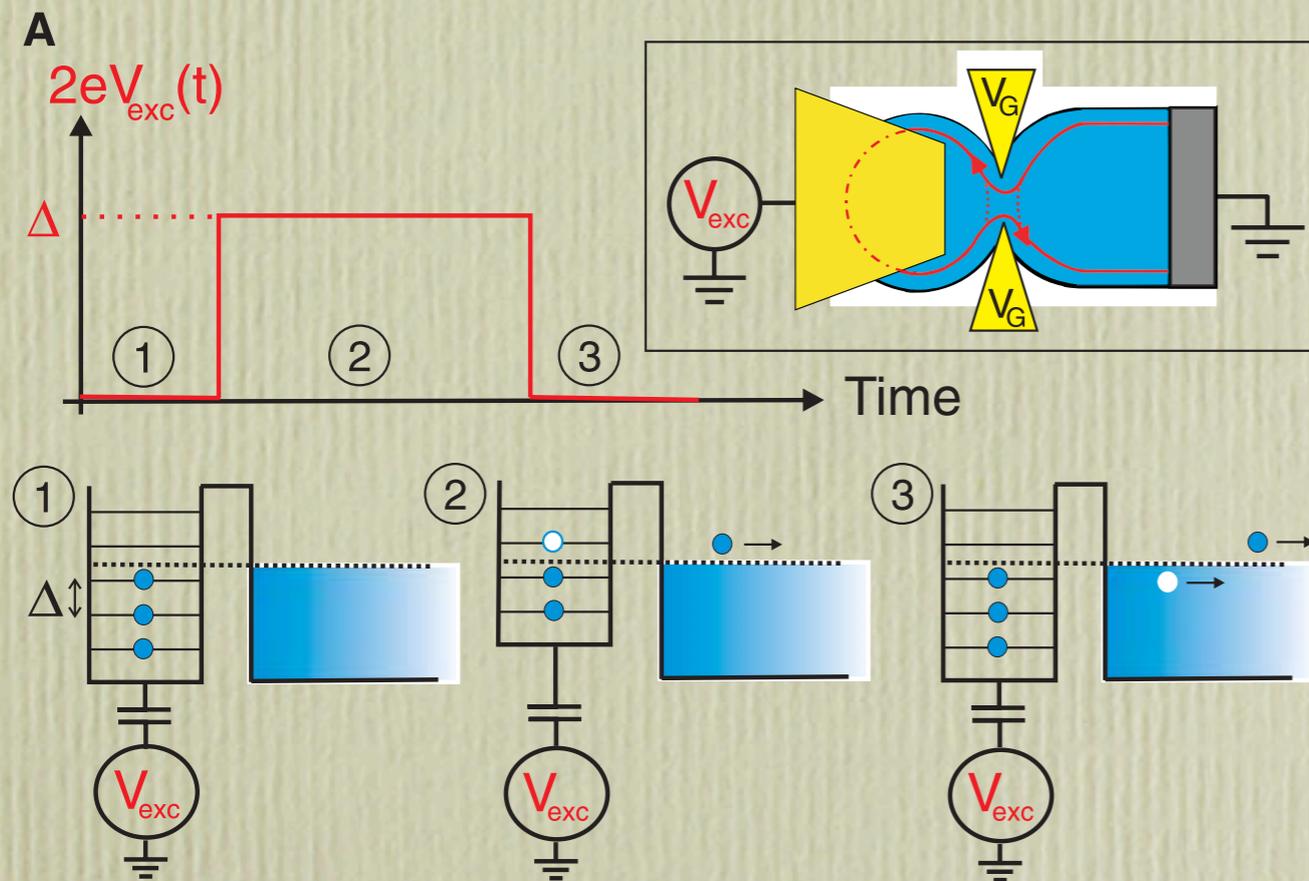
$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_r} I_{\alpha}^{Q(pump)} = 0,$$

L. Arrachea, M.M. Energy transport and heat production in quantum engines, in Handbook of Nanophysics: Nanomedicine and Nanorobotics, ed. by Klaus D. Sattler (CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group), (2010).

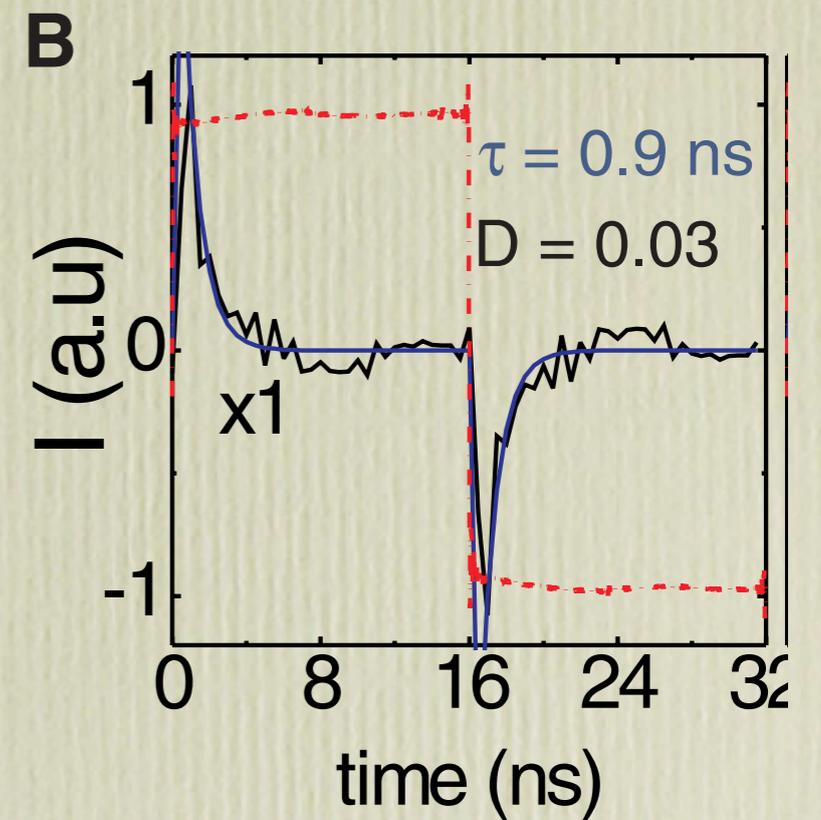
Applications :  
Single-channel chiral emitter

# Motivation

# Experiment



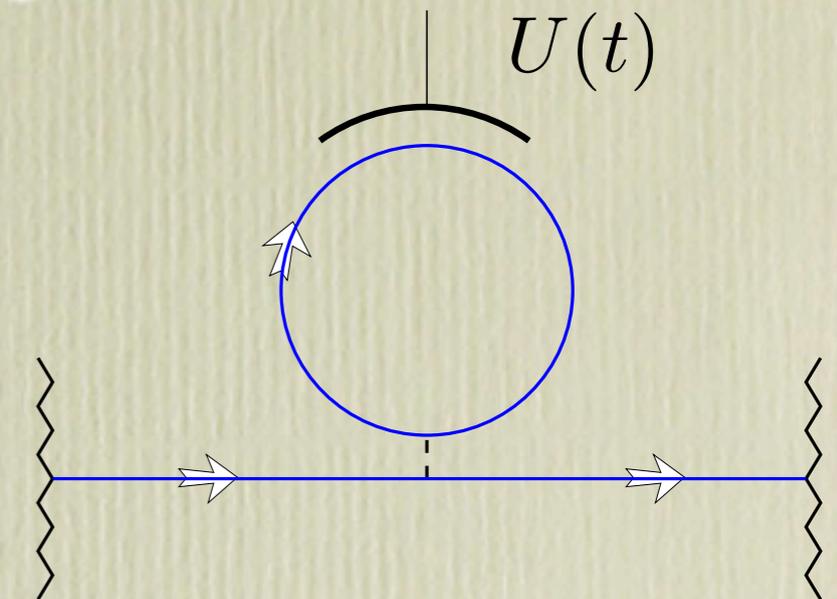
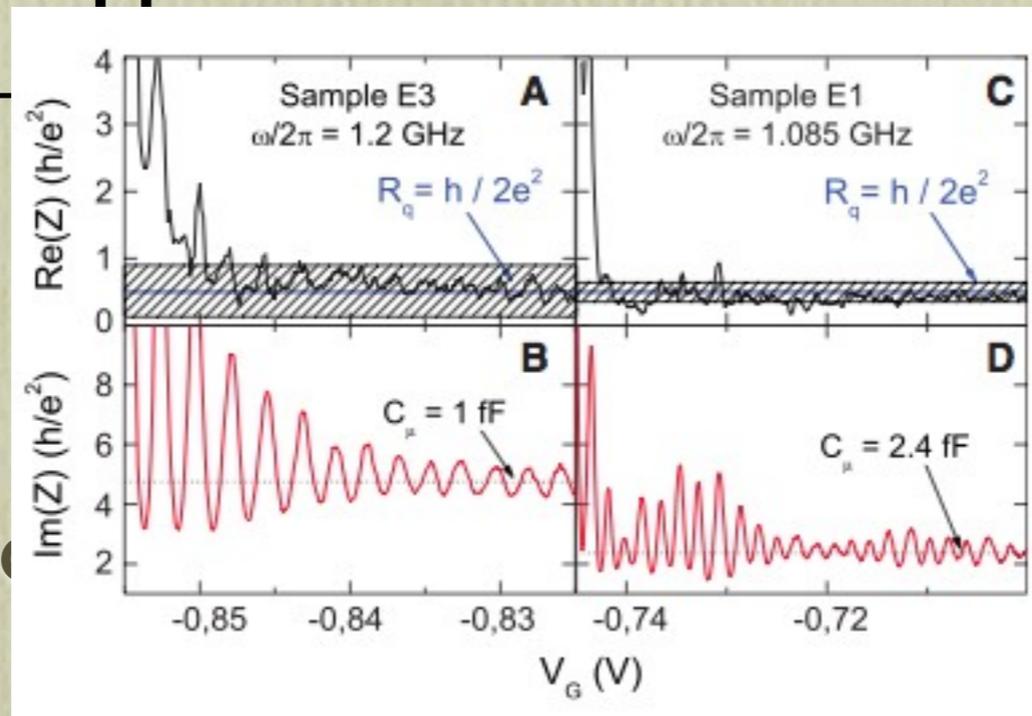
$$\Delta + e^2/C \approx \Delta \approx 2.5K$$



G. Fève, A. Mahé, J.-M. Berroir, T. Kontos, B. Plaçais, D. C. Glattli, A. Cavanna, B. Etienne, Y. Jin, Science 316, 1169 (2007)

# Equivalent (low frequency) electric circuit

no DC charge current :



a linear response

$$C_q = e^2 \nu(\mu_0), \quad R_q = \frac{h}{2e^2},$$

↑  
charge relaxation resistance quantum

Predicted: M. Büttiker, H. Thomas, and A. Prêtre, Physics Letters A 180, 364 (1993).

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# Theory

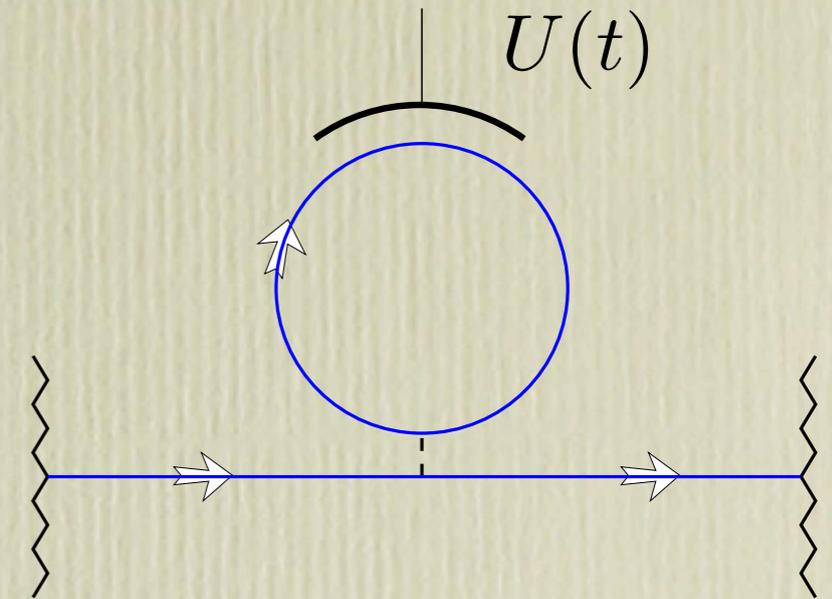
# Floquet scattering amplitude

(of a Fabry-Pérot type)

$$S_F(E_n, E) = \int_0^{\mathcal{T}} \frac{dt}{\mathcal{T}} e^{in\Omega_0 t} S_{in}(t, E),$$

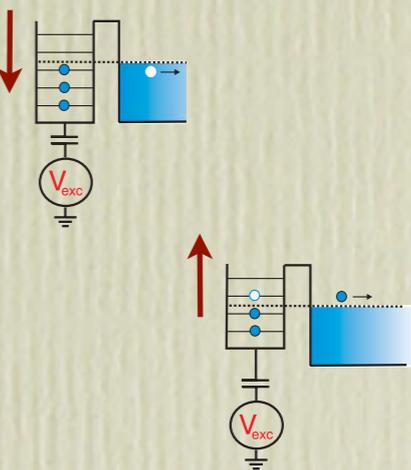
$$S_{in}(t, E) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j(t),$$

$$A_j = \frac{\bar{t}^2}{r} (r e^{ikL})^j e^{-\frac{ie}{\hbar} \int_{t-j\tau}^t dt' U(t')}$$



# Quantized adiabatic regime :

$$U(t) = U \cos(\Omega t + \varphi)$$

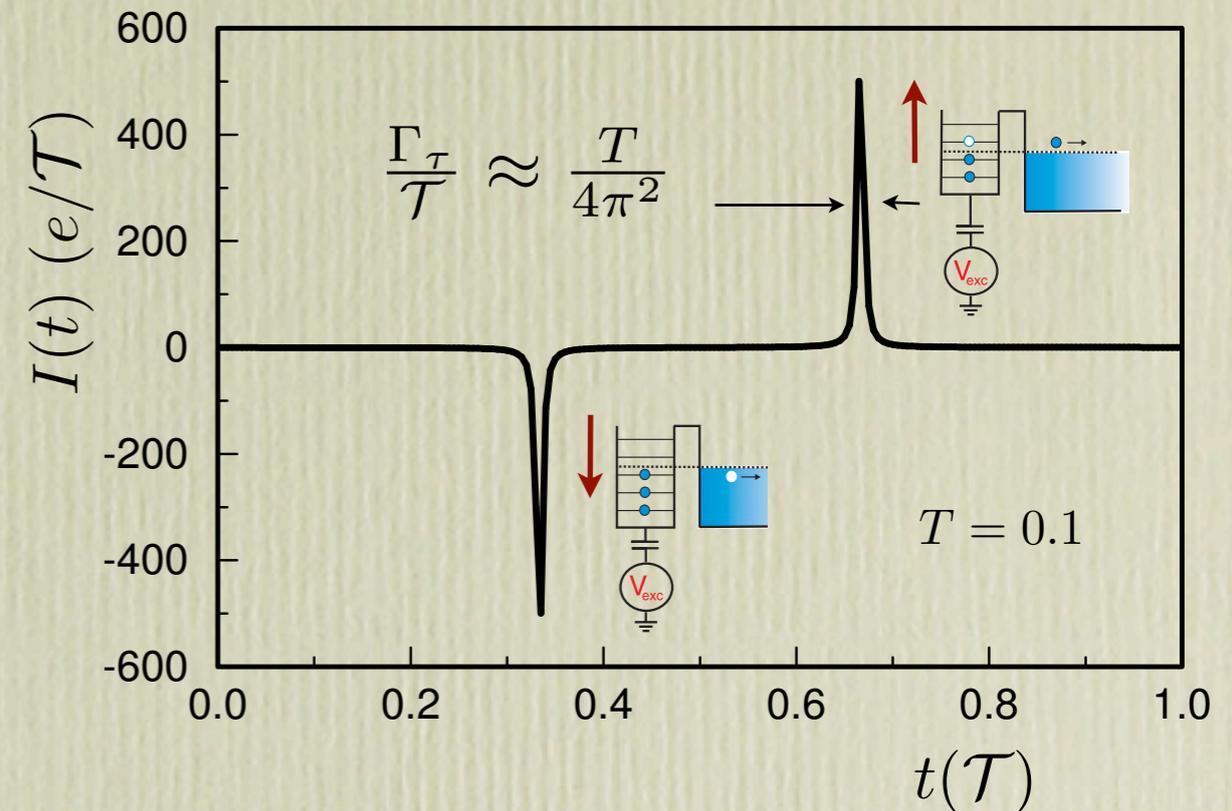
$$S(t, \mu) = e^{i\theta_r} \begin{cases} \frac{t - t^{(+)} - i\Gamma_\tau}{t - t^{(+)} + i\Gamma_\tau}, & |t - t^{(+)}| \lesssim \Gamma_\tau, \\ \frac{t - t^{(-)} + i\Gamma_\tau}{t - t^{(-)} - i\Gamma_\tau}, & |t - t^{(-)}| \lesssim \Gamma_\tau, \\ 1, & |t - t^{(\mp)}| \gg \Gamma_\tau, \end{cases}$$


$$\Gamma_\tau = \frac{\delta}{dU/dt} = \frac{T\Delta}{4\pi} \frac{1}{dU/dt},$$

S. Ol'khovskaya, J. Splettstoesser, M.M., and M. Büttiker, PRL **101**, 166802 (2008)

# Zero temperature charge current

$$I(t) = \frac{e}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma_\tau}{\left(t - t_0^{(-)}\right)^2 + \Gamma_\tau^2} - \frac{\Gamma_\tau}{\left(t - t_0^{(+)}\right)^2 + \Gamma_\tau^2} \right\}$$



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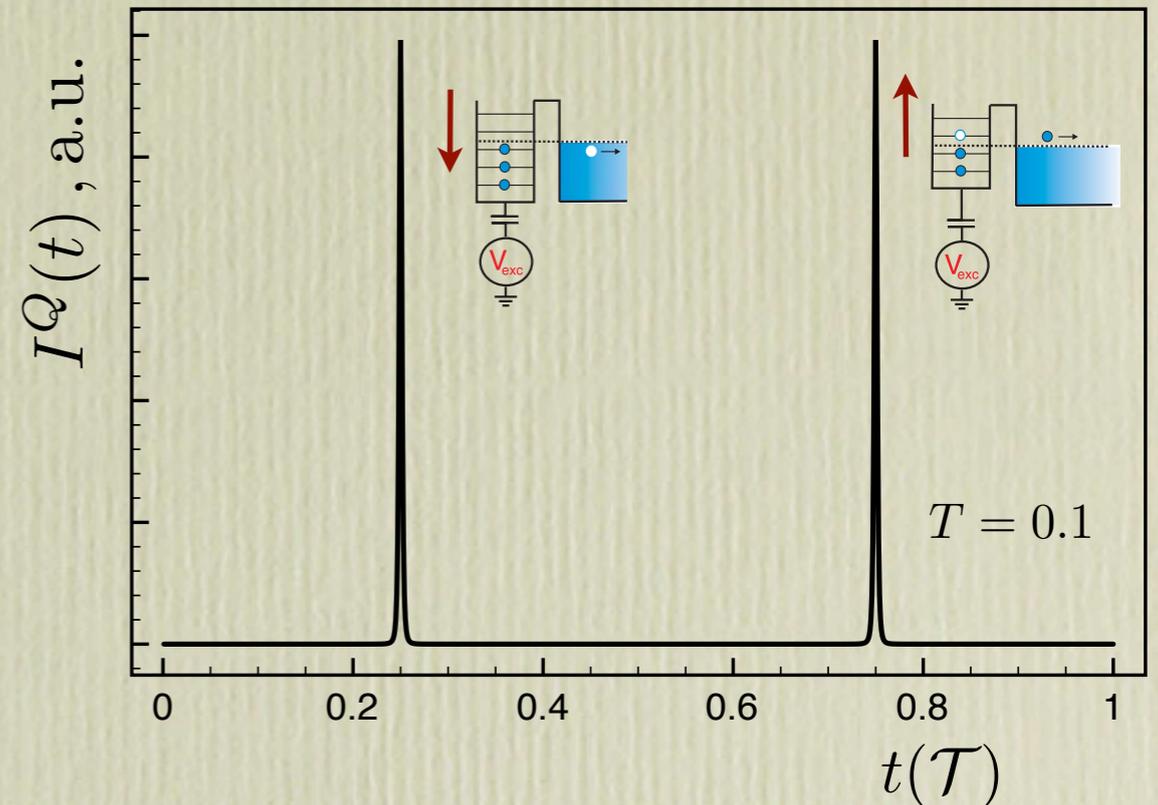
# Zero temperature heat current

$$I^Q(t) = \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma\tau} \sum_{\alpha=+,-} \frac{2\Gamma_{\tau}^3/\pi}{\left( (t - t^{(\alpha)})^2 + \Gamma_{\tau}^2 \right)^2},$$

$$I^Q(t) = \frac{I(t)}{e} \epsilon(t),$$

$$\epsilon(t) = \frac{\hbar\Gamma}{(t - t^{(\alpha)})^2 + \Gamma^2} \Rightarrow \epsilon(t^{(\alpha)}) = 2\bar{\epsilon},$$

a work done by the external force depending on emission time  
(an energy of a particle emitted at a given instant of time)



# DC heat and particle's energy

$$\mathcal{T} \bar{I}^Q = 2 \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau},$$

the energy of a single-particle

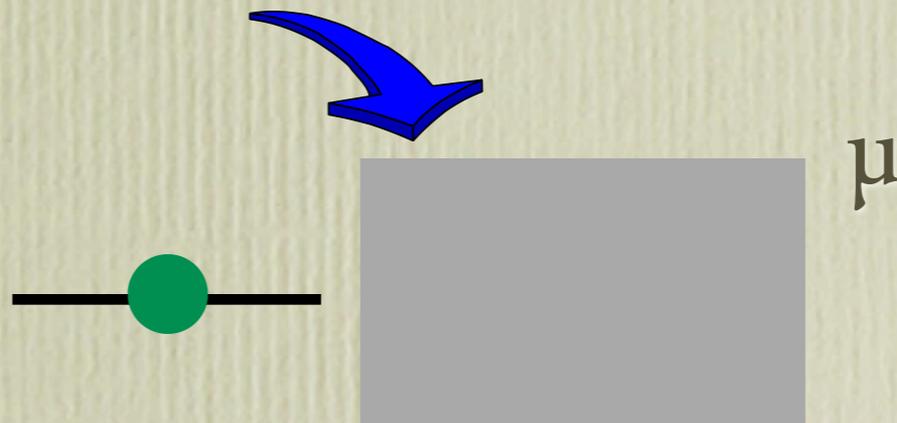
the number of particles emitted per period

M. M. and M. Büttiker, Physical Review B **80**, 081302(R) (2009).

# Particle's energy from the work done

$$\frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau} = \tau_D e \frac{dU}{dt} ,$$

$t = t_0 + \tau_D$   
 $t = t_0$



# Particle's energy from the distribution function

$$f(\mu + \epsilon) = \langle b^\dagger(\mu + \epsilon)b(\mu + \epsilon) \rangle = 2\Omega\Gamma_\tau e^{-\frac{2\Gamma_\tau}{\hbar}\epsilon}, \quad (\text{Poisson distribution})$$

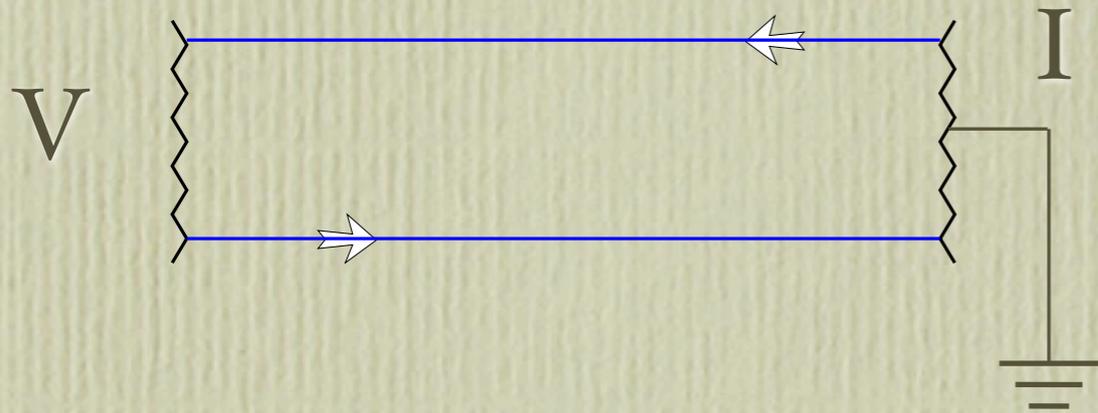
$$\text{mean energy : } \langle \epsilon \rangle = \frac{\int_0^\infty d\epsilon \epsilon f(\epsilon)}{\int_0^\infty d\epsilon f(\epsilon)} = \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau},$$

fluctuations : **Fluctuations in energy of emitted particles result in fluctuations of a heat flux**

$$\langle \delta^2 \epsilon \rangle = \langle \epsilon^2 \rangle - \langle \epsilon \rangle^2 = \langle \epsilon \rangle^2,$$

# Heat fluctuations and how to measure them

# Paradigmatic example : a biased Hall bar



Charge noise  
Charge current  
(zero frequency)

Heat noise  
Heat flow  
(zero frequency)

A probabilistic absorption of energy from a time-dependent field results in fluctuations of an energy flow even if the particle flow is regular

$$R_Q I^2 ,$$

$$V(t) :$$

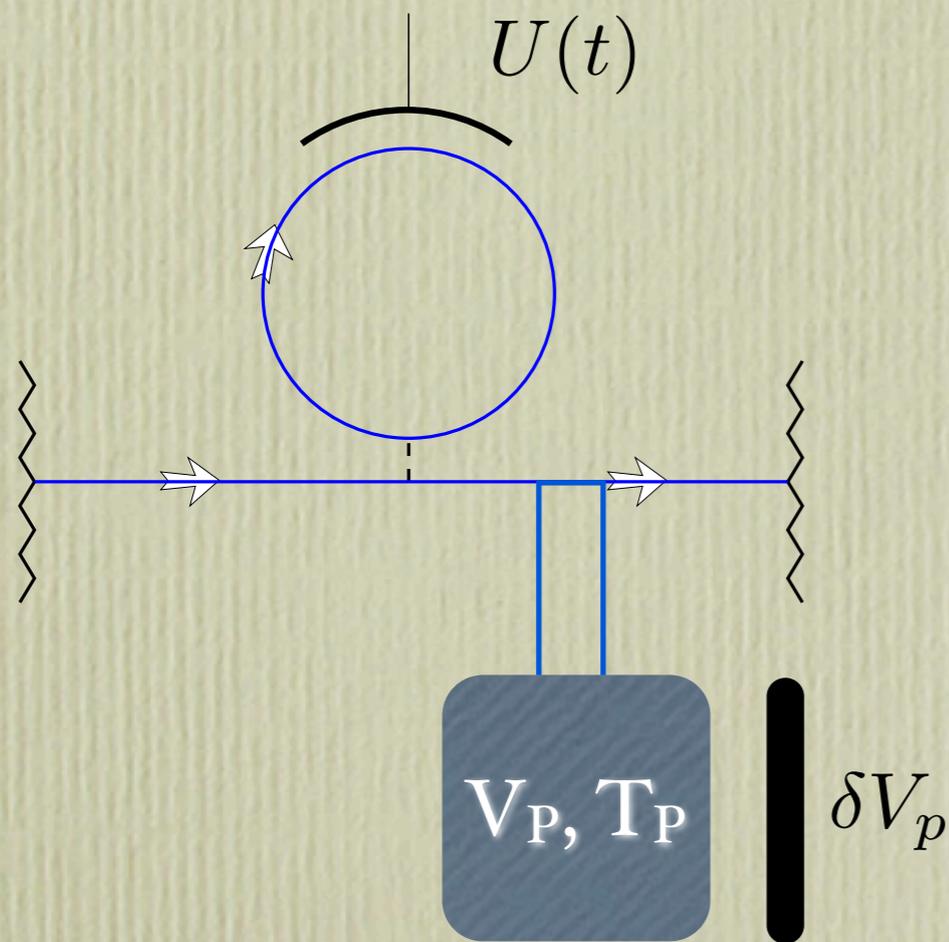
$$\frac{e^2}{h} V(t) ,$$

$$\frac{R_Q}{T} I^2 Q ,$$

(a shot-like heat noise)

# How to measure the energy fluctuations

SES generates a noiseless particle flow but noisy heat flow  
(like an AC voltage does)

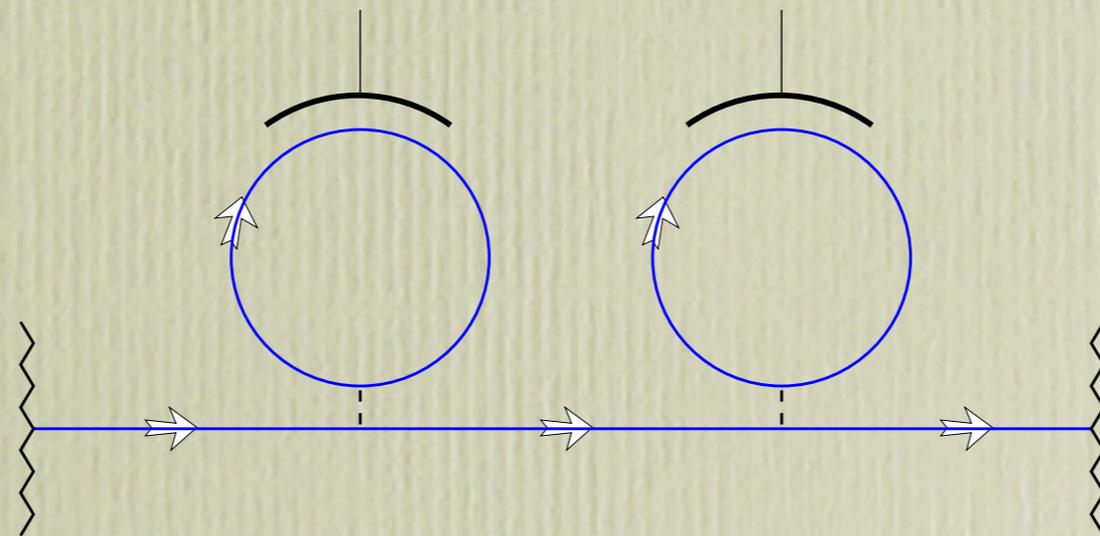


voltmeter & thermometer

$$\langle (\delta T_P)^2 \rangle \sim \langle (\delta \epsilon)^2 \rangle ,$$

$$\langle (\delta V_P)^4 \rangle \sim \langle (\delta T_P)^2 \rangle ,$$

# Two-particle emitter



J. Splettstoesser, S. Ol'khovskaya, M.M, and M. Büttiker, *Physical Review B* **78**, 205110 (2008).

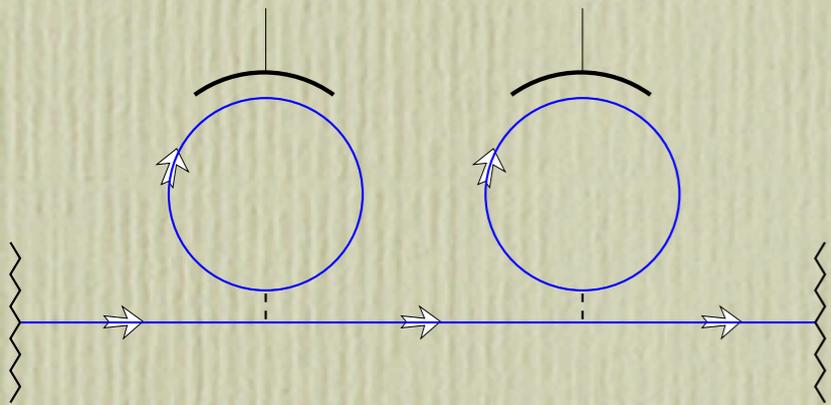
# Heat is not additive :

First, why it should be additive (U is constant, N is additive):

$$I^Q = dA/dt = UI = UedN/dt ,$$

Second, heat can be non-additive if the particles overlap and, as a result of the Pauli principle, their energies become interrelated: (effective  $eU$  for different particles becomes different).

# Utilizing the Joule-Lenz law: $I^Q \sim I^2$



separate emission of particles : heat is additive



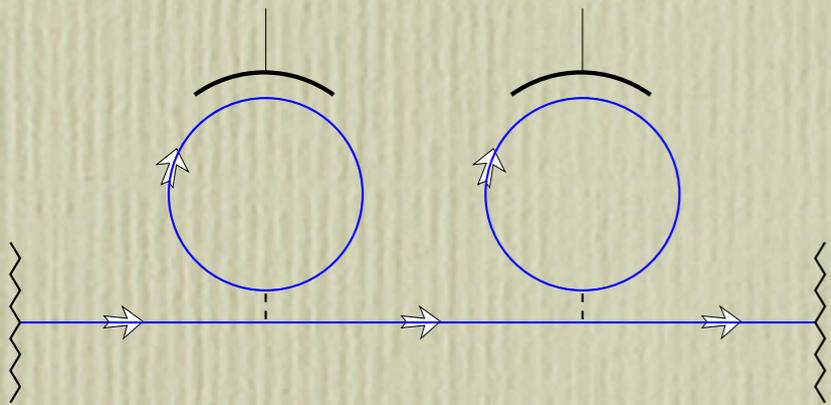
$$I_2(t) = I(t - t_{0L}) + I(t - t_{0R}),$$

$$I_2^2(t) = I^2(t - t_{0L}) + I^2(t - t_{0R}) \quad \rightarrow \quad I_2^Q(t) = I_L^Q + I_R^Q,$$

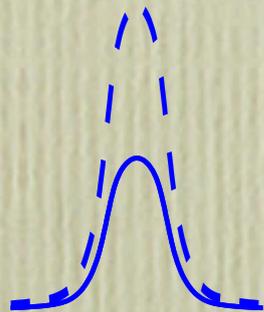
$$E_2 = E_L + E_R = 2 \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau},$$

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# Utilizing the Joule-Lenz law: $I^Q \sim I^2$



e-e pair emission : heat is enhanced



$$I_2(t) = 2I_1(t) \quad \rightarrow \quad I_2^Q = 4I_1^Q ,$$

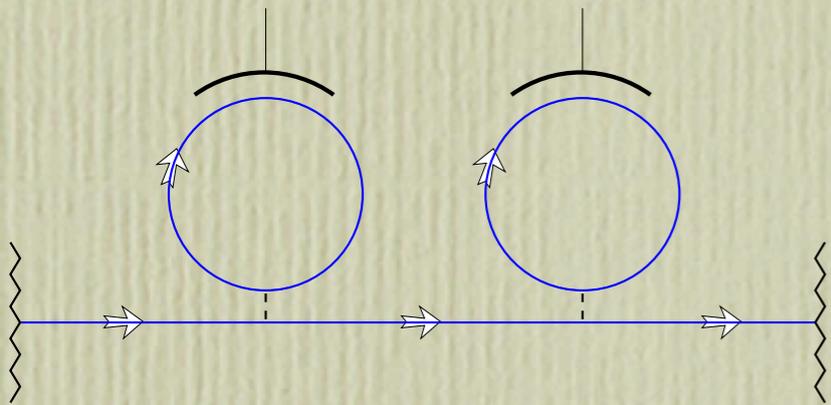
$$E_2 = 4 \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau} > E_L + E_R ,$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau} , 3 \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau} ,$$

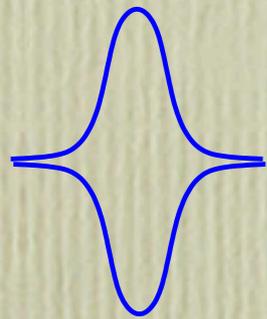
The second particle has enhanced energy  
(the Pauli principle requires this)

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# Paradoxically an energy carried by an e-h pair is sensitive to the regime of emission



adiabatic regime : heat is suppressed



$$I_2(t) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad I_2^Q = 0,$$

$$E_2 = 0,$$

What emitted by the first source is reabsorbed by the second source !  
(two positive energies “add up” to zero!)

non-adiabatic regime : heat is additive

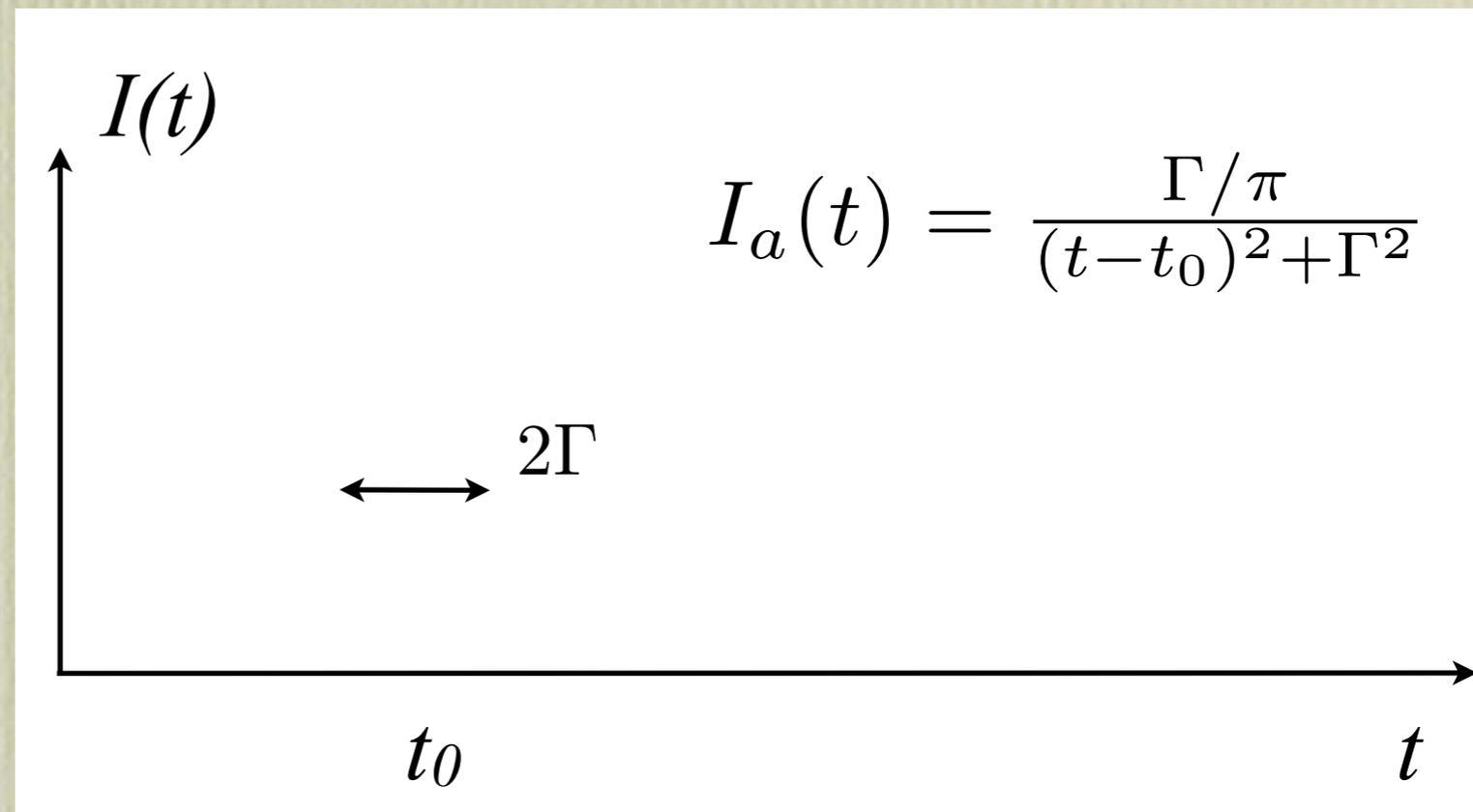
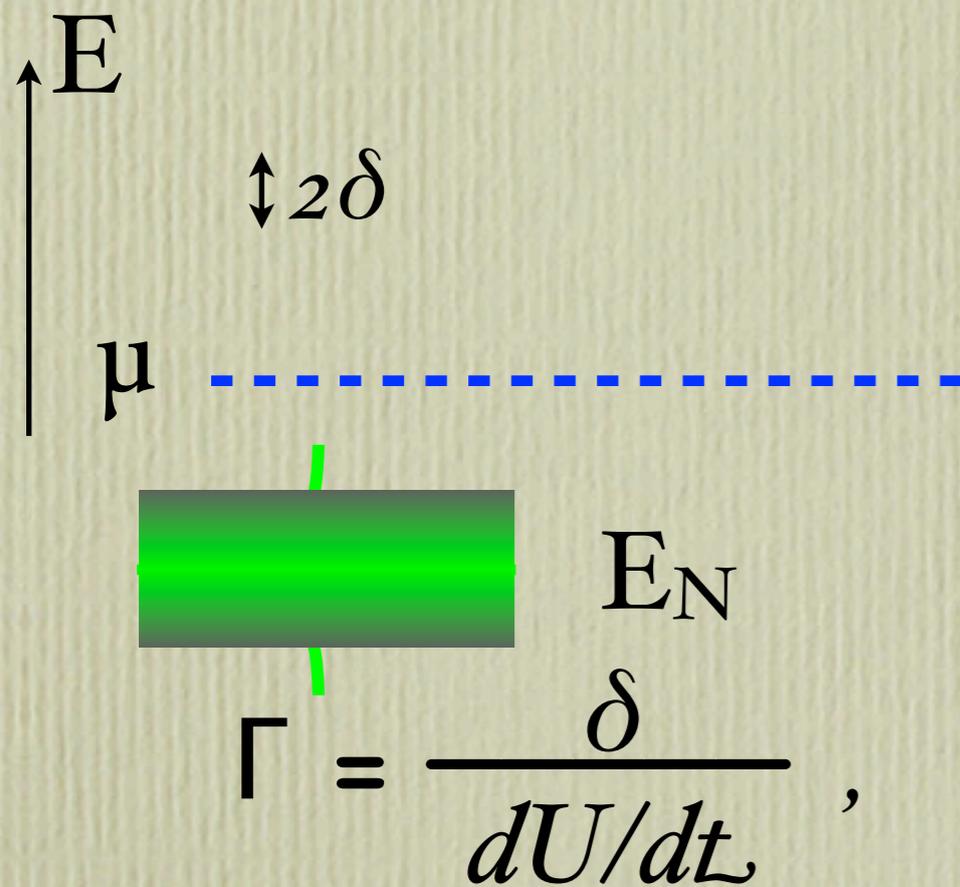
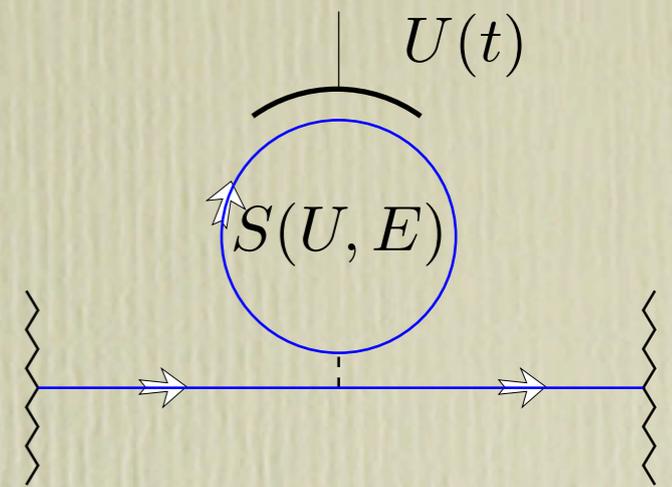
$$E_2 = E_L + E_R = 2 \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma_\tau},$$

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# Adiabatic versus non-adiabatic

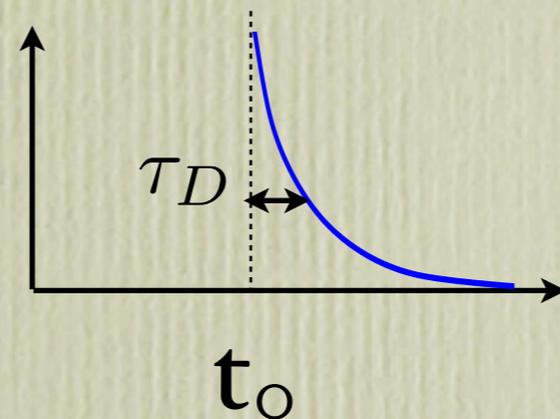
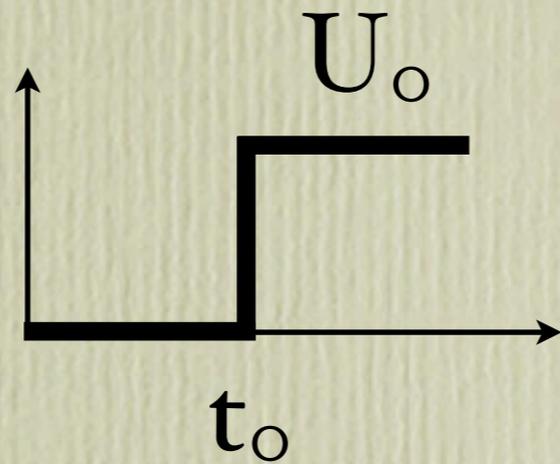
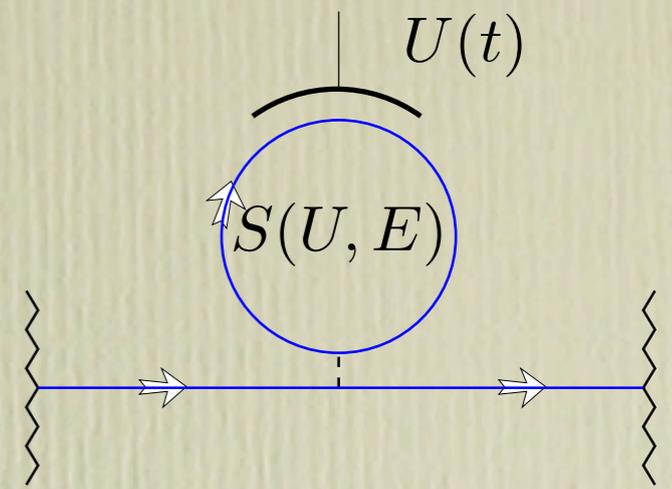
# Emission : adiabatic

$$U(t) = U_0 \cos(\Omega t)$$



Adiabatic emission condition :  $\Gamma \ll \tau_D$

# Emission : non-adiabatic



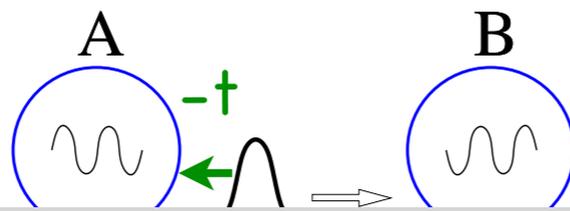
Non-adiabatic emission condition :  $\frac{dU}{dt} \gg \frac{U_0}{\tau_D}$  ,

# Reabsorption as due to the TRS

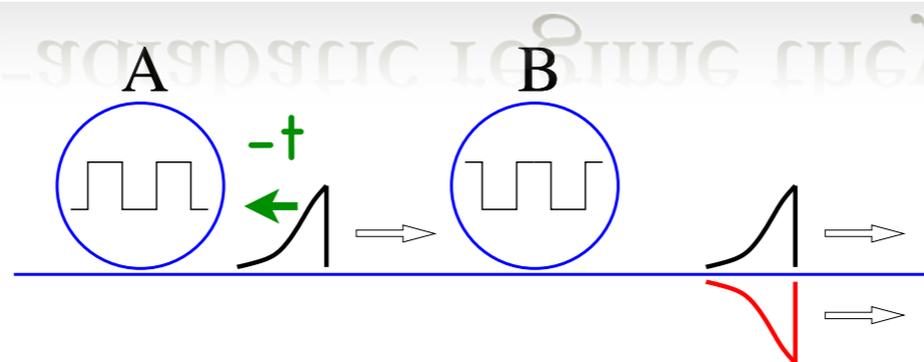
(a) Adiabatic emission

$$I(t) = 0$$

$$I_Q = 0$$



In an adiabatic regime both sources work together.  
While in a non-adiabatic regime they work separately.



$$I_Q > 0$$

# Conclusion

- We presented the scattering matrix approach to a time-dependent heat transport in mesoscopic dynamic structures.
  - ▶ There are two generic effects : Heat generation and heat pump effect.
- Probabilistic absorption of energy from a dynamical source results in heat fluctuations even if the particle flow is regular.
- Heat current is not additive (unlike a charge current). We analyzed heat generation in a two-particle source and found
  - ▶ in adiabatic regime : heat suppression at e-h emission,
  - ▶ in both regimes : heat increase at e-e (h-h) emission,
  - ▶ otherwise heat is additive.

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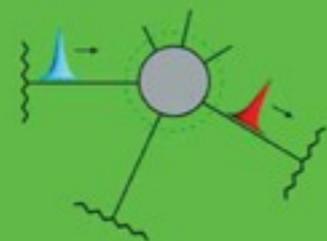


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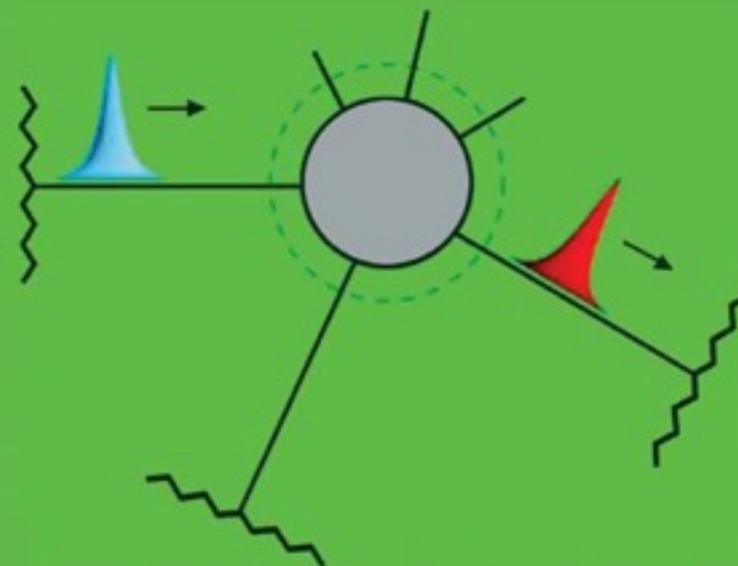
The aim of this book is to introduce the basic elements of the scattering matrix approach to transport phenomena in dynamical quantum systems of non-interacting electrons. This approach permits a physically clear and transparent description of transport processes in dynamical mesoscopic systems, promising basic elements of solid-state devices for quantum information processing. One of the key effects, the quantum pump effect, is considered in detail. In addition, the theory for the recently implemented new dynamical source – injecting electrons with time delay much larger than an electron coherence time – is offered. This theory provides a simple description of quantum circuits with such a single-particle source and shows in an unambiguous way that the tunability inherent to the dynamical systems (in contrast to the stationary ones) leads to a number of unexpected but fundamental effects.

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