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CONDUCTIVITY OF A LONG CLEAN WIRE

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# Conductivity of a clean 1-d wire

- Transport and weakly violated conservation laws
- Interacting electrons (RG, Luttinger liquids, bosonization and all that)
- Interacting electrons in the presence of a periodic potential
- Transport and the Memory Functional Formalism
- Computation of the conductivity
- Complex dependence on Filling and Temperature

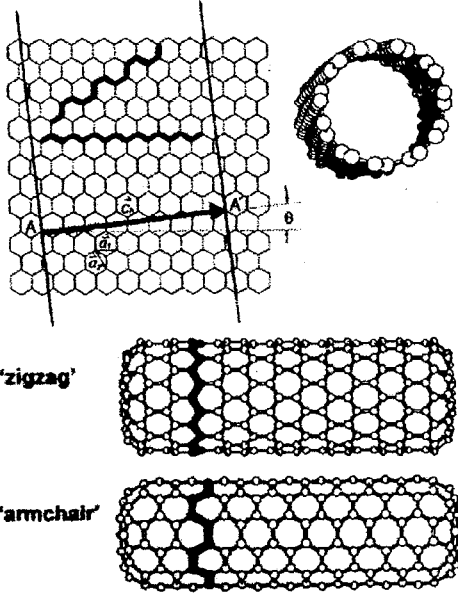
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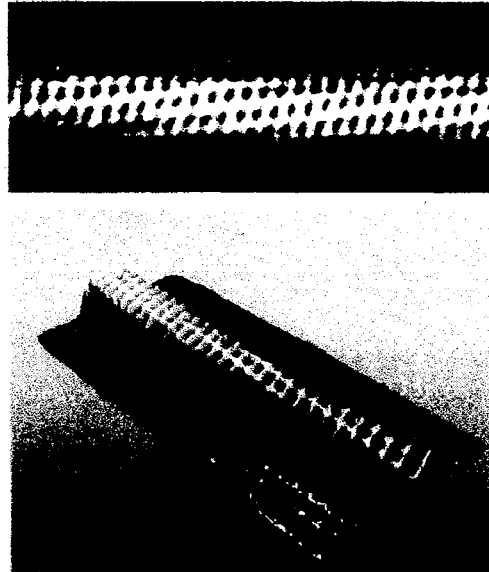
# An ideal 1d wire: carbon nanotube

nanotubes: rolled up graphite sheets

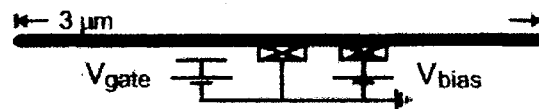
Various types of nanotubes



Atomic resolution on the nanotubes



mK experiments on an *individual* nanotube

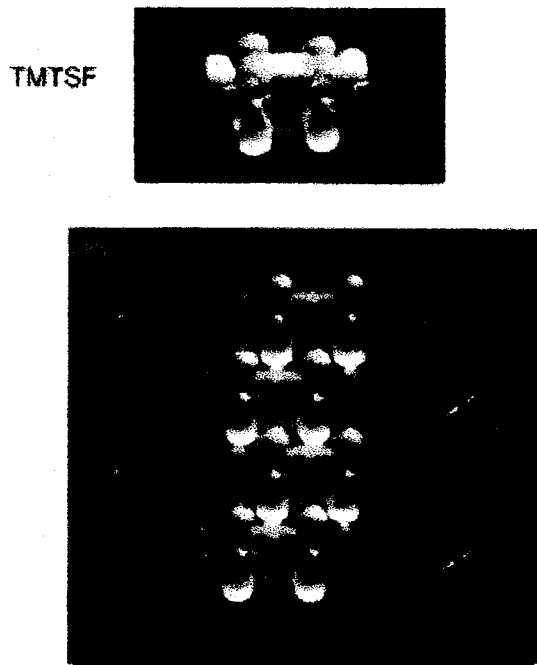


contact resistance  $\sim 500 \text{ k}\Omega$

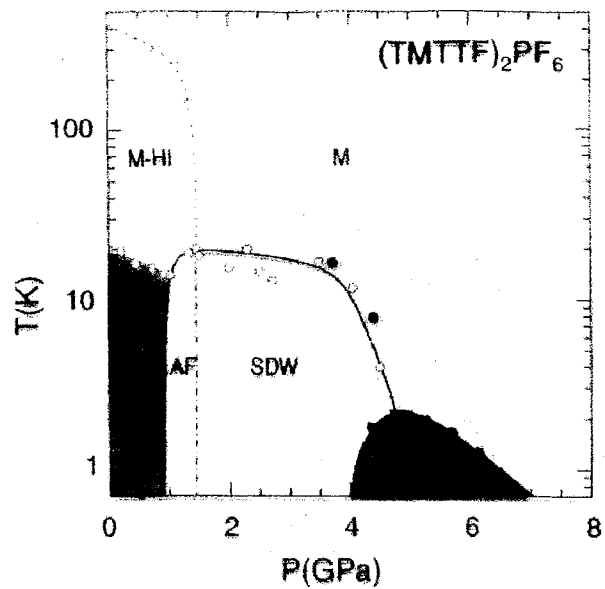
Tans, Devoret, Thess, Smalley, Geerlings, Dekker, Nature 396, 474 (1997)

# Weakly coupled 1d wires: Bechgaard salts

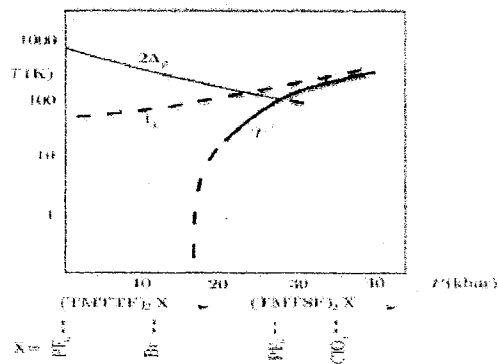
stacked molecules



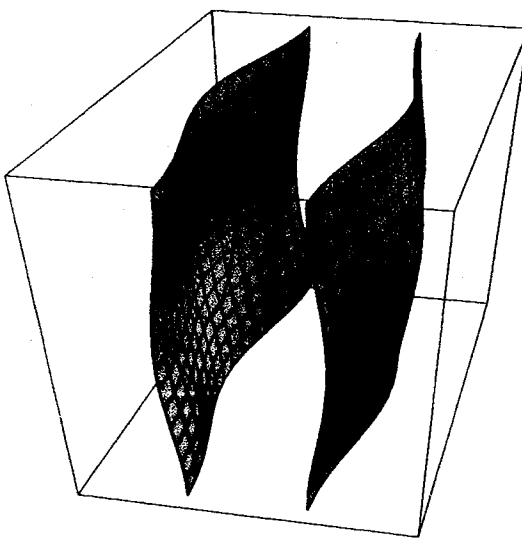
$(\text{TMTSF})_2\text{X}$   $\text{X} = (\text{PF}_6)^-, \dots$   
by D. Jerome



Correlation gap and dimensional cross-over



open Fermi surface:  
two Fermi-sheets



## Historical remarks

- most papers:

neglect Umklapp away from 1/2 filling - (irrelevant operator)

$$\rightarrow \sigma(T > 0) = \sigma_{\text{bulk}} = \infty$$

$$\rightarrow G = G_{\text{contact}} = \frac{2e^2}{h} \quad (\text{conductance})$$

- Giamarchi (91),  $(4k_F - G)$  -Umklapp  
- perturbation theory (memory functional)

$$\rightarrow \sigma(T > 0) < \infty$$

- Luther-Emery transformation

$$\rightarrow \sigma = \infty$$

- many papers: using PT result of Giamarchi or same result with different PT

- Giamarchi, Millis (92) (band structure effects)

$$\infty > \sigma(T > 0) > T^{-n}$$

- Castella, Zotos *et al.* (95-97): *integrable systems*  
- infinite number of conserved quantities.

Select  $Q_1 \dots Q_N$ , ( $\langle Q_n Q_m \rangle = \delta_{nm} \langle Q_n^2 \rangle$ )

then:

$$\sigma(T > 0, \omega) = 2\pi D(T) \delta(\omega) + \dots$$

$$D(T) \geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{(\chi_{JQ_n})^2}{\chi_{Q_n Q_n}}$$

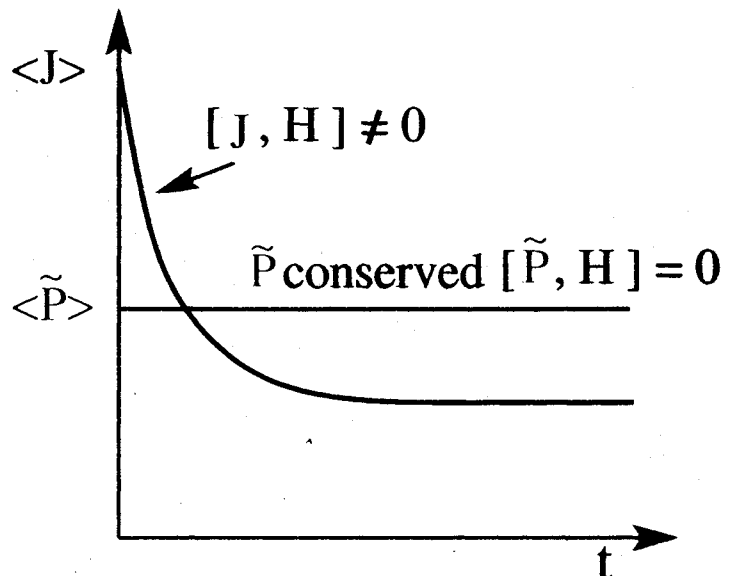
# Gedankenexperiment I

- $\tilde{P}$  exactly conserved:

prepare state  
with current  $J$

How large is  $\langle \tilde{P} \rangle$ ?

$$\frac{\langle \tilde{P} \rangle}{\langle J \rangle} = \frac{\chi_{\tilde{P}J}}{\chi_{JJ}}$$



How much  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle J \rangle$  is induced by  $\langle \tilde{P} \rangle$ ?

$$\frac{\langle J(t \rightarrow \infty) \rangle}{\langle \tilde{P} \rangle} = \frac{\chi_{J\tilde{P}}}{\chi_{\tilde{P}\tilde{P}}} \Rightarrow \frac{\langle J(t \rightarrow \infty) \rangle}{\langle J(t=0) \rangle} = \frac{\chi_{J\tilde{P}}^2}{\chi_{\tilde{P}\tilde{P}}\chi_{JJ}}$$

infinite conductivity at  $T > 0$

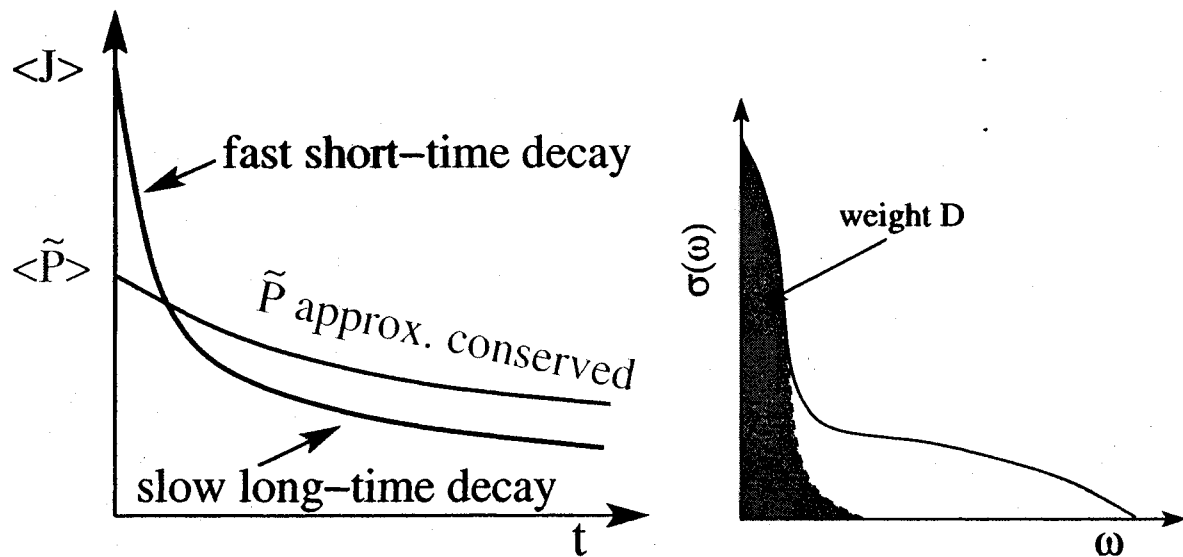
$$\text{Re}\sigma(\omega) = 2\pi D\delta(\omega) + \sigma_{\text{reg}}(\omega)$$

Drude weight  $D = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\chi_{J\tilde{P}}^2}{\chi_{\tilde{P}\tilde{P}}}$

(exact if only  $\tilde{P}$  conserved (Suzuki 71))

## Gedankenexperiment II

- $\tilde{P}$  slowly decaying:



peak in  $\sigma(\omega)$ , decay-rate of  $\tilde{P}$  determines  $\sigma(0)$

$$D = \frac{1 \chi_{J\tilde{P}}^2}{2 \chi_{\tilde{P}\tilde{P}}}$$



## From the lattice to the continuum

- *A general Hamiltonian on a lattice*

$$H = H_0 + H_{e-e} + H_{lat}$$

$$H_0 = \sum \epsilon_k c_k^\dagger c_k$$

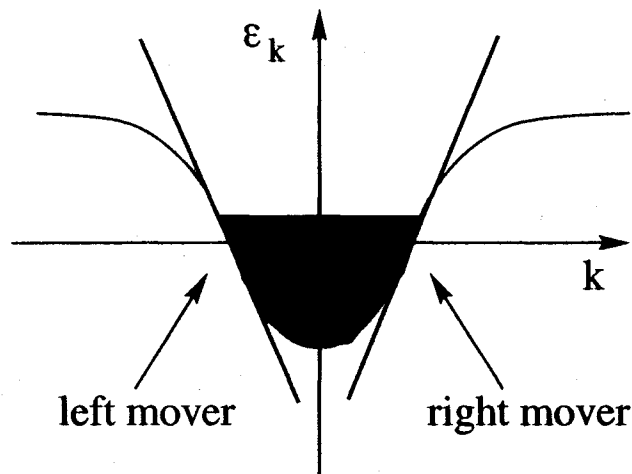
$$H_{e-e} = \sum_{k \in BZ} V_{k_1, k_2} c_{k_1}^\dagger c_{k_2} c_{k_3}^\dagger c_{k_4} \delta_G(k_1 - k_2 + k_3 - k_4)$$

$$H_{lat} = \text{some periodic lattice potential}$$

$$\text{with } \delta_G(k) = \sum_G \delta(k - G)$$

- *How do we study low-energy, long-distance behaviour?*
  - Do RG to obtain low-energy effective hamiltonian
  - Alternatively, build effective hamiltonian "by hand"

## From the lattice to the continuum



- keep modes:  $k = \pm k_F + q$ ,  $q \leq \Lambda$

$$c_{n,\alpha} = \sum_k c_{k,\alpha} e^{ikna} \approx e^{ik_F x} \psi_{R,\alpha}(x) + e^{-ik_F x} \psi_{L,\alpha}(x)$$

with:

$$- \psi_R^\dagger(x) = \sum e^{-iqx} c_{k_F+q}^\dagger$$

$$- \psi_L^\dagger(x) = \sum e^{-iqx} c_{-k_F+q}^\dagger$$

- low - energy effective Hamiltonian:

Fixed point Hamiltonian + correction terms

- Fixed point Hamiltonian:

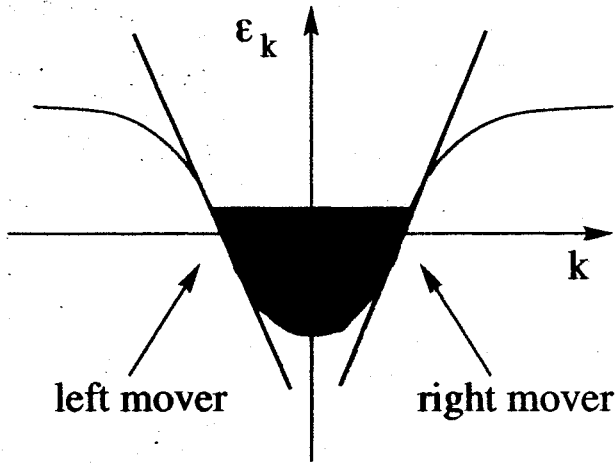
$$H^* = H_{LL} \text{ (Luttinger liquid)}$$

- Correction Terms:

$$H^{\text{corrections}} = H_{\text{irr}} + H_{\text{umklapp}}$$

# From the lattice to the continuum

## The Luttinger liquid



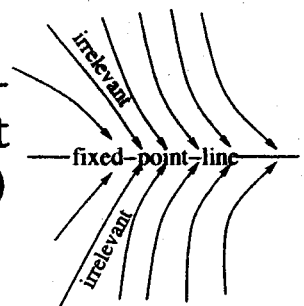
separate in slowly varying left- and right moving electrons:

$$\Psi_{\uparrow/\downarrow}(x) = \Psi_{L,\uparrow/\downarrow}(x)e^{-ik_F x} + \Psi_{R,\uparrow/\downarrow}(x)e^{ik_F x}$$

- lowest energies: linearize around Fermi energy  
fixed point: Luttinger liquid

$$\begin{aligned} H_{LL} &= v_F \int \left( \Psi_{R\sigma}^\dagger i\partial_x \Psi_{R\sigma} - \Psi_{L\sigma}^\dagger i\partial_x \Psi_{L\sigma} \right) + g \int \rho(x)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{2\pi} \sum_{\nu=\sigma,\rho} v_\nu \left( K_\nu (\partial_x \theta_\nu)^2 + \frac{1}{K_\nu} (\partial_x \phi_\nu)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

- bosonization:  $\Psi_{L/R,\uparrow/\downarrow}(x) \propto e^{-i\Phi_{L/R,\uparrow/\downarrow}(x)}$
- spin-charge separation, non-Fermi liquid: power-laws
- deviation from  $H_{LL}$  irrelevant: perturbation theory convergent, effects small at low temperature (exception: half-filling)



- dangerously irrelevant for conductivity

## From the lattice to the continuum

Classify deviations from LL-Hamiltonian

$$H = H_{LL} + H_{irr} + \sum_{n,m} H_{n,m}^U$$

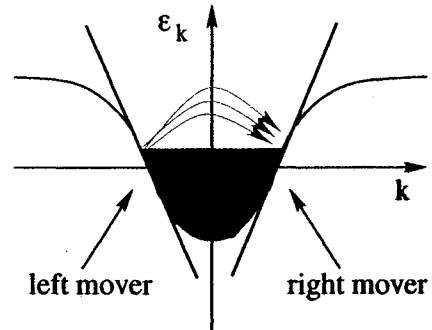
Luttinger liquid + irrelevant terms + Umklapp

with:

$$P_T = \sum_{\sigma} \int dx \left( \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} i\partial_x \Psi_{R\sigma} + \Psi_{L\sigma}^{\dagger} i\partial_x \Psi_{L\sigma} \right)$$

$$J_0 = N_R - N_L = \sum_{\sigma} \int dx \left( \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} \Psi_{R\sigma} - \Psi_{L\sigma}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\sigma} \right)$$

- $H_{LL} = v_F \int \left( \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} i\partial_x \Psi_{R\sigma} - \Psi_{L\sigma}^{\dagger} i\partial_x \Psi_{L\sigma} \right) + g \int \rho(x)^2$
- $[H_{irr}, P_T] = [H_{irr}, J_0] = 0$
- Umklapp:  $H_{n,m}^U$



$n$  fermions from L to R  
+ lattice momentum  
 $\Delta k_{n,m} = n2k_F - mG$

$$H_{1,m}^U \approx g_{1,m}^U \sum_{\sigma} \int e^{i\Delta k_{1,m}x} \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\sigma} \rho_{-\sigma} + h.c.$$

$$H_{2,m}^U \approx g_{2,m}^U \int e^{i\Delta k_{2,m}x} \Psi_{R\uparrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{R\downarrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\downarrow} \Psi_{L\uparrow} + h.c.$$

$$H_{3,m}^U \approx g_{3,m}^U \int e^{i\Delta k_{3,m}x} \Psi_{R\uparrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{R\uparrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{R\downarrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\downarrow} \Psi_{L\uparrow} \Psi_{L\uparrow} + h.c.$$

## From the lattice to the continuum

### The continuum Hamiltonian

$$H = H_{LL} + H_{\text{irr}} + \sum_{n,m}^{\infty} H_{n,m}^U$$

- The fixed point Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H_{LL} &= v_F \int \left( \Psi_{R\alpha}^\dagger i\partial_x \Psi_{R\alpha} - \Psi_{L\alpha}^\dagger i\partial_x \Psi_{L\alpha} \right) + g \int \rho^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{2\pi} \sum_{\nu=\sigma,\rho} v_\nu \left( K_\nu (\partial_x \theta_\nu)^2 + \frac{1}{K_\nu} (\partial_x \phi_\nu)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

- $H_{\text{irr}}$  - *band structure terms etc.* (need not be specified.)
- Umklapp terms  $H_{n,m}^U$ 
  - transfer  $n$  fermions from L to R (and vice versa)
  - and lattice momentum  $mG = m \frac{2\pi}{a}$
  - dangerously irrelevant

## From the lattice to the continuum

Umklapp terms are of the form:

$$H_{0,m}^U \approx g_{0,m}^U \int e^{i\Delta k_{0,m}x} (\rho_L + \rho_R)^2 + h.c.$$

$$H_{1,m}^U \approx g_{1,m}^U \sum_{\sigma} \int e^{i\Delta k_{1,m}x} \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\sigma} \rho_{-\sigma} + h.c.$$

$$H_{2,m}^U \approx g_{2,m}^U \int e^{i\Delta k_{2,m}x} \Psi_{R\uparrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{R\downarrow}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\downarrow} \Psi_{L\uparrow} + h.c.$$

$$H_{2n,m}^U \approx g_{2n,m}^U \int e^{i\Delta k_{2n,m}x} \times \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{\partial_x^j \Psi_{R\uparrow}^{\dagger} \partial_x^j \Psi_{R\downarrow}^{\dagger} \partial_x^j \Psi_{L\downarrow} \partial_x^j \Psi_{L\uparrow}}{(j!/\alpha^j)^4} + h.c.$$

**Momentum transfer:**

$$\Delta k_{n,m} = n2k_F - mG$$

**Bosonized Umklapp term**

$$H_{n,m,n_s}^U = \frac{g_{n,m,n_s}^U}{(2\pi\alpha)^n} \int e^{i\Delta k_{n,m}x} e^{i\sqrt{2}(n\phi_{\rho} + n_s\phi_{\sigma})}$$

**Transfers:**

- $n$  electrons with  $n_s$  total spin
- $mG$  momentum absorbed by lattice

## Weakly violated conservation laws

Operators:

$$P_T = -i \sum_{\sigma} \int dx \left( \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} \partial_x \Psi_{R\sigma} + \Psi_{L\sigma}^{\dagger} \partial_x \Psi_{L\sigma} \right)$$

$$J_0 = N_R - N_L = \sum_{\sigma} \int dx \left( \Psi_{R\sigma}^{\dagger} \Psi_{R\sigma} - \Psi_{L\sigma}^{\dagger} \Psi_{L\sigma} \right)$$

- conserved on the Fermi-surface. Note  $P \approx k_F J_0 + P_T$
- weakly violated away from it:
- **violation leads to degrading of electric current**
  - terms in  $H_{\text{irr}}$  commute with both,  
 $[H_{\text{irr}}, P_T] = [H_{\text{irr}}, J_0] = 0$
  - terms in  $H^U$ 
    - do not commute with either  $P_T$  or  $J_0$
    - dangerously irrelevant

Observation:  $[H_{2n,m}^U, \Delta k_{n,m} J_0 + 2n P_T]$

- single Umklapp does not degrade the current completely
- need at least two Umklapps to have finite conductivity

## From the lattice to the continuum

Define pseudo-momentum  $\tilde{P}_{n,m}$   
with  $\Delta k_{n,m} = n \cdot 2k_F - mG$

$$\tilde{P}_{n,m} = \frac{\Delta k_{n,m}}{2n} (N_R - N_L) + P_T$$

(without Umklapp:  $\tilde{P}_{n,0}$  = usual momentum)

- Hamiltonian with single type of Umklapp conserves pseudo-momentum  $\Rightarrow \infty$  conductivity

$$[H_{LL} + H_{irr} + H_{n,m}^U, \tilde{P}_{n,m}] = 0$$

- interplay of two independent Umklapps  $H_{n,m}^U, H_{n',m'}^U$  renders  $\sigma$  finite
- second strongest Umklapp determines  $\sigma(\omega = 0)$



## How to calculate $\sigma(\omega)$ perturbatively?

- Problem:  $\sigma$  and  $1/\sigma$  singular function of perturbations for  $\omega \rightarrow 0$
- full quantum-transport equations?  
⇒ difficult (highly non-linear interaction of LL bosons)
- approximate conservation laws known  
⇒ "hydrodynamic" description possible
- use Memory Matrix Formalism in space of slow modes (Mori (65), Zwanzig (61))
  - combined short-time and perturbative expansion for slow decay rates
  - short-time dynamics of slowest modes = long time behavior
  - weights of low-frequency peak exactly reproduced if time-scales well separated

# Transport and the Memory Function Formalism I

- Memory Functional Formalism: study transport in the presence of approximate conserved quantities.

Mori (65), Zwanzig (61), Götze Wölfle (72), Giamarchi (91)

- Scalar product in *operator* space

$$(A(t)|B) \equiv \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^\beta d\lambda \langle A(t)^\dagger B(i\lambda) \rangle$$

- Static susceptibility

$$\chi_{AB} = \beta(A|B) \quad t = 0$$

- Dynamic Correlation function

$$\begin{aligned} C_{AB}(z) &\equiv \int_0^\infty e^{izt} (A(t)|B) dt \\ &= \left( A \left| \frac{i}{z - L} \right| B \right), \quad LA = [H, A] \\ &= \frac{i}{\beta z} \int_0^\infty e^{izt} \langle [A(t), B] \rangle - \frac{(A|B)}{iz} \end{aligned}$$

- Conductivity

$$\sigma(\omega, T) = \beta C_{JJ}(\omega) = \beta \left( J \left| \frac{i}{\omega - L} \right| J \right)$$

## Transport and the Memory Function Formalism II

Transport in the presence of several "slow" variables:

$$j_1 = J, j_2, \dots, j_N$$

- The conductivity

$$\sigma(\omega, T) = [(\hat{M}(\omega, T) - i\omega)^{-1} \hat{\chi}(T)]_{1,1}$$

- The susceptibility matrix

$$\hat{\chi}_{pq} = \beta(j_p | j_q)$$

- The memory matrix

$$\hat{M}_{pq}(\omega) = \beta \sum_r \left( \partial_t j_q \left| Q \frac{i}{\omega - QLQ} Q \right| \partial_t j_r \right) (\hat{\chi}^{-1})_{rp}.$$

- The projection away from slow modes

$$Q = 1 - \sum_{pq} |j_q) \beta (\hat{\chi}^{-1})_{qp} (j_p|.$$

Philosophy:

$\hat{M}$  non-singular in P.T.

- P.T. valid for short-time behavior

- P.T. also valid for long-time behavior of slowest modes  
(provided slow modes dynamics projected out -  $Q$ .)

## Intermezzo - conserved quantities

- If there are linear combination of  $\{j_p\}$  that are conserved:

$$\tilde{J}_1, \dots, \tilde{J}_S$$

→ expect  $\infty$  dc - conductivity.

Indeed, carry out matrix inversion, project out zero - modes etc.

$$\sigma(\omega \rightarrow 0, T > 0) = i \frac{(\hat{\chi} \hat{\chi}_c^{-1} \hat{\chi})_{11}}{\omega + i0} + \sigma_{\text{reg}}(\omega, T)$$

where:

- $\hat{\chi}_c^{-1} = \mathcal{P}_c (\mathcal{P}_c \hat{\chi} \mathcal{P}_c)^{-1} \mathcal{P}_c$

$\mathcal{P}_c$  - projection on space of conserved variables

- $\sigma_{\text{reg}}(\omega, T)$  regular as long as all conserved currents are included.

Thus

- $\text{Re } \sigma(\omega \rightarrow 0) = 2\pi D(T) \delta(\omega) = \pi (\hat{\chi} \hat{\chi}_c^{-1} \hat{\chi})_{1,1} \delta(\omega)$

Determined by the overlaps of the current  $J$  with conserved quantities,  $\tilde{\chi}_{1,s}$

## The generic case

- All variables  $j_1, \dots, j_N$  decay slowly
- Restrict to two dimensional space

$$j_1 = J \approx v_F J_0$$

$$j_2 = P_T$$

- commute with all scattering processes on Fermi-surface
  - longest decay rate, exponential in  $T$ , dominate transport
  - can neglect other slow quantities at low -  $T$ ,  
decay as powers of  $T$
- (unless model is integrable e.g.  $H_{LL} + H_{21}^U$   
*relevant at 1/2 filling*)

## The calculation I

We can approximate:

- $L_{LL} = [H_{LL}, \cdot]$ ,  $\partial_t v_F J_0$  and  $\partial_t P_T$  linear in  $g_{n,m}^U$
- $L_{LL} P_T = L_{LL} J_0 = 0$ , so no contribution from  $Q$

Thus

$$\hat{M} \approx \sum_{nm} M_{nm}(\omega, T) \begin{pmatrix} v_F^2 (2n)^2 & -2nv_F \Delta k_{nm} \\ -2nv_F \Delta k_{nm} & (\Delta k_{nm})^2 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\chi}^{-1}$$

where

$$\hat{\chi} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 2v_F/\pi & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\pi T^2}{3} \left( \frac{1}{v_\rho^3} + \frac{1}{v_\sigma^3} \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{nm} \equiv (g_{nm}^U)^2 M_n(\Delta k_{n,m}, \omega) \equiv \frac{\langle F; F \rangle_\omega^0 - \langle F; F \rangle_{\omega=0}^0}{i\omega}$$

with

- $F = [J_0, H_{nm}^U]/(2n)$
- $\langle F; F \rangle_\omega^0$  - retarded correlation function of  $F$  with respect to  $H_{LL}$ .

## The calculation II

For  $n$  arbitrary and  $n_S = 0$ , ( $M_2$ , Giamarchi 91)

$$M_n(\Delta k, \omega) = \frac{2 \sin 2\pi K_\rho^n}{\pi^4 \alpha^{2n-2} v_\rho} \left[ \frac{2\pi\alpha T}{v_\rho} \right]^{4K_\rho^n - 2} \frac{1}{i\omega} \times$$

$$\times [B(K_\rho^n - iS_+, 1 - 2K_\rho^n) B(K_\rho^n - iS_+, 1 - 2K_\rho^n)$$

$$- B(K_\rho^n - iS_+^0, 1 - 2K_\rho^n) B(K_\rho^n - iS_+^0, 1 - 2K_\rho^n)]$$

where

$$- K_\rho^n = (n/2)^2 K_\rho$$

$$- S_\pm = (\omega \pm v_\rho \Delta k) / (4\pi T)$$

Approximate forms:

$$M_n \approx \frac{\alpha^{2-2n}}{\pi^2 \Gamma^2(2K_\rho^n) v_\rho T} \left( \frac{\alpha \Delta k}{2} \right)^{4K_\rho^n - 2} e^{-v_\rho \Delta k / (2T)}$$

$$M_n \approx \frac{(\alpha T / v_\rho)^{n^2 K_\rho - 1} (\alpha \Delta k)^{n_s^2 K_\sigma - 2}}{\Gamma^2(n_s^2 K_\sigma / 2) v_\sigma^2 \alpha^{2n-3}} e^{-v_\sigma \Delta k / (2T)}$$

$$\approx T^{n^2 K_\rho + n_s^2 K_\sigma - 3}$$

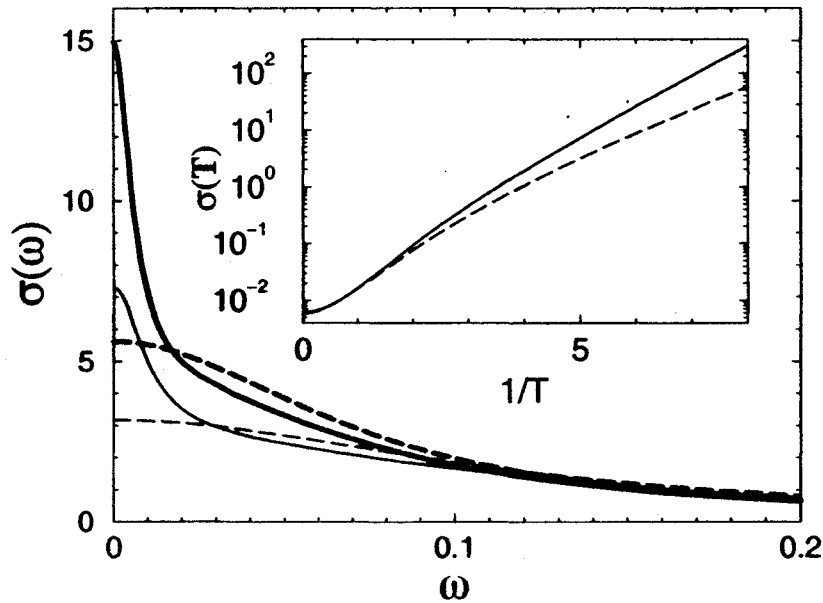
## One Umklapp, two Umklapps..

- One Umklapp term (insufficient to degrade current)  
→ finite Drude peak, infinite dc - conductivity

$$D(T) \approx \frac{v_\rho K_\rho}{\pi} \frac{1}{1 + T^2 \frac{2\pi^2 n^2 K_\rho}{3(v_\rho \Delta k_{nm})^2} \left(1 + \frac{v_\rho^3}{v_\sigma^3}\right)}. \quad (1)$$

- Two Umklapp terms ( $H_{n,m}^U, H_{n',m'}^U$ )  
→ finite dc - conductivity

$$\sigma(T, \omega = 0) = \frac{(\Delta k_{nm})^2 / M_{n'm'} + (\Delta k_{n'm'})^2 / M_{nm}}{\pi^2 (n \Delta k_{n'm'} - n' \Delta k_{nm})^2} \quad (2)$$



Conductivity for two Umklapp terms  $H_{21}^U$  and  $H_{20}^U$

$\Delta k_{21} = -1.5\Delta k_{20}, K_\rho = 0.7, K_\sigma = 1.3, g_{20} = g_{21} = 1,$   
 $T = 0.18, 0.20.$



## Commensurate filling

### - Commensurate filling:

$filling = \frac{m}{n} \rightarrow \Delta k_{nm} = 0$ . Recall  $k_F = (filling) \frac{\pi}{a}$

- Does dominant scattering process  $H_{nm}^U$  relax the current?

- Depends on the overlap  $\chi_{JP_T}$

- **Identity**  $\chi_{JP_T} = \Delta\rho + o(e^{-\beta E_F})$

$\Delta\rho = 2\Delta n/a$  - electron density deviation from commensurate filling.

- 3d array of wires -

$\Delta\rho$  is  $T$  - independent, determined by charge neutrality

- single wire -

$\Delta\rho(T) \sim T^2 / (mv^3)$

PH sym breaking  $\sim k^2 / (2m)$

- **Replace**

$\Delta k$  by  $(\pi\Delta\rho)$ .

## The conductivity

**Which of the scattering processes will dominate?**

- intermediate T : small  $n$  (low order) - Pauli
- lower T : exponential factor prevails, smallest  $\Delta k_{nm}$

- Close to commensurate filling  $k_F \approx G \frac{m_0}{n_0}$

dominant processes  $H_{n_0 m_0}^U, H_{n_1 m_1}^U$  where

$$\Delta k_{n_0, m_0} \approx 0, \Delta k_{n_1, m_1} = \pm G/n_0$$

$$\rightarrow (n_1 m_0 = \pm 1 \text{ mod } n_0)$$

$$\rightarrow n_1 = \gamma n_0, \gamma \sim 1$$

We find: The conductivity close to commensurability:

$$\sigma(k_F \approx Gm_0/(2n_0)) \sim (\Delta n(T))^2 \exp[\beta v G/(2n_0)]$$

$$\sigma(k_F = Gm_0/(2n_0)) \sim T^{-n_0^2 K_\rho - (n_0 \text{ mod } 2)^2 K_\sigma + 3}$$

- At typical incommensurate filling

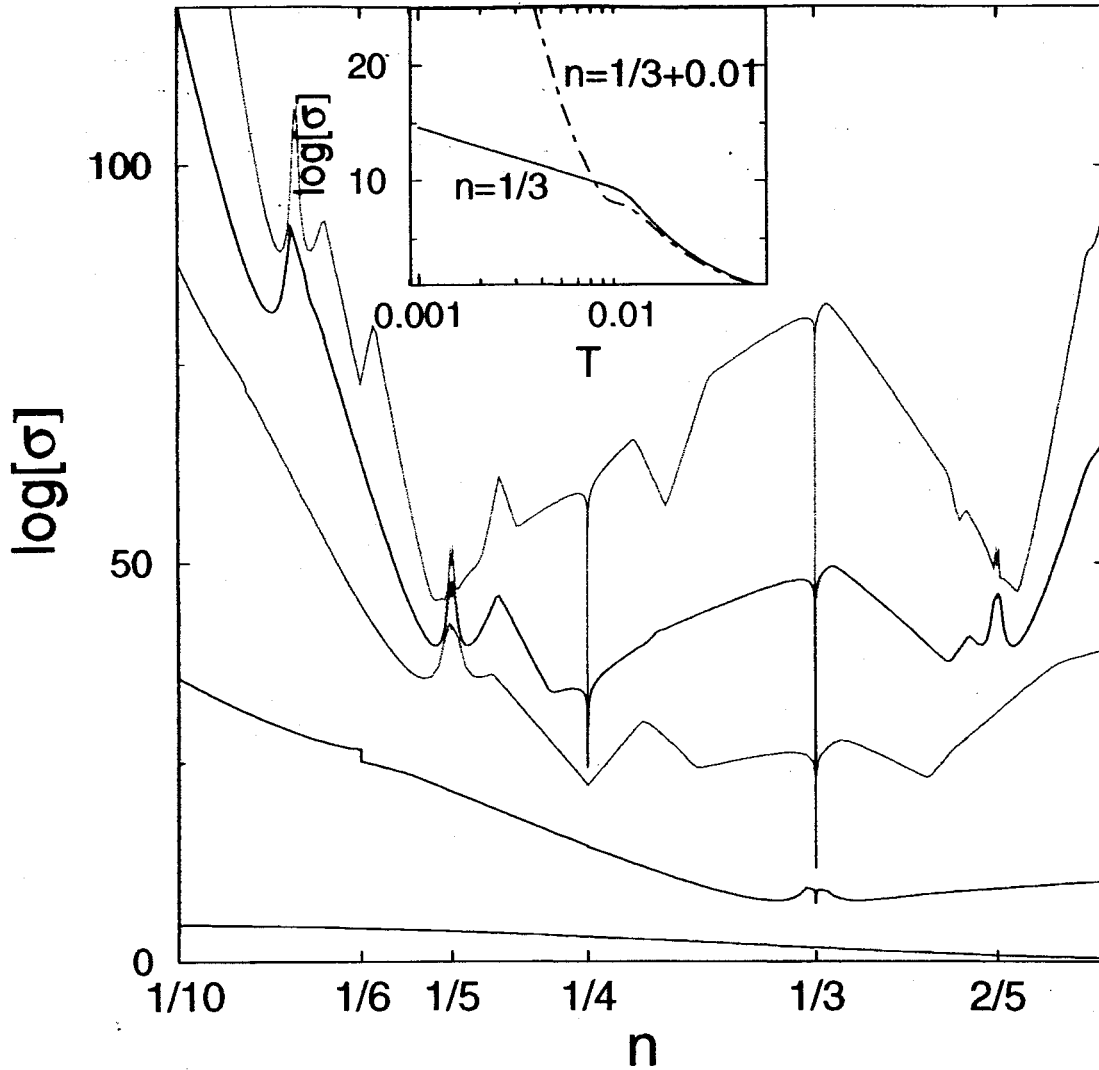
Do saddle-point approximation with respect to  $n$  of:

$$-\beta v G/(2N) + (\gamma N)^2 K \log[T]$$

We find: Typical conductivity:

$$\sigma_{\text{typical}} \sim \exp[c(\beta v G)^{2/3}]$$

# Filling dependence of the conductivity



- Enhancement at commensurate filling  $n$
- Dip at commensurate point: overlap of current  $J$  and approx. conserved current  $J_c = \Delta k_{nm} J_0 + P_T$  given by  $\chi_{JJ_c} = n - n_{\text{commensurate}}$

$$\sigma(n \sim M/N) \approx \max \left[ (\Delta n)^2 e^{\beta v G / N}, T^{-N^2 K_\rho} \right]$$