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One-particle Localization



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Absence of Diffusion in Certain Random Lattices

P. W. ANDERSON Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey (Received October 10, 1957)

This paper presents a simple model for such processes as spin diffusion or conduction in the "impurity band." These processes involve transport in a lattice which is in some sense random, and in them diffusion is expected to take place via quantum jumps between localized sites. In this simple model the essential randomness is introduced by requiring the energy to vary randomly from site to site. It is shown that at low enough densities no diffusion at all can take place, and the criteria for transport to occur are given.



One quantum particle

 Random potential (e.g., impurities)
 Elastic scattering





Einstein (1905): Random walk I always diffusion as long as the system has no memory



Anderson(1958): For quantum

particles

not always!

It might be that



D = 0

Quantum interference \implies memory





Localized states – insulator Extended states – metal

Metal - insulator transition

Localization of single-electron wave-functions:



Spin Diffusion



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Localized State Anderson Insulator **Extended State** Anderson Metal

Localization of cold atoms

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Einstein (1905): Marcovian (no memory) process → diffusion

Quantum mechanics is not marcovian There is memory in quantum propagation Why?



$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 & I \\ I & \varepsilon_2 \end{pmatrix} \qquad E_2 - E_1 = \sqrt{(\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1)^2 + I^2} \approx \frac{\varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_1}{I} \quad \frac{\varepsilon_2}{\varepsilon_2}$$

What about the eigenfunctions ?

$$\phi_1, \varepsilon_1; \phi_2, \varepsilon_2 \quad \Leftarrow \quad \psi_1, E_1; \psi_2, E_2$$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}_{2} - \mathcal{E}_{1} >> I \\ \psi_{1,2} = \varphi_{1,2} + O\left(\frac{I}{\varepsilon_{2} - \varepsilon_{1}}\right) \varphi_{2,1} \end{split}$$

Off-resonance Eigenfunctions are close to the original onsite wave functions

 $\Psi_{1,2} \approx \varphi_{1,2} \pm \varphi_{2,1}$

 $\mathcal{E}_2 - \mathcal{E}_1 << I$

 $-\varepsilon_1 >> I$ $-\varepsilon_1 << I$

Resonance In both eigenstates the probability is equally shared between the sites



Anderson insulator Few isolated resonances



Anderson metal There are many resonances and they overlap



Typically each site is in resonance with some other one





A bit more precise:

$$\frac{I_c}{W} \simeq \left(\frac{1}{2d}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\ln d}\right)$$

Logarithm is due to the resonances, which are not nearest neighbors

Condition for Localization:

$$\frac{I_c}{W} \simeq \left(\frac{1}{2d}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\ln d}\right)$$

Q:Is it correct? A1:Is exact on the Cayley tree

$$I_c = \frac{W}{K \ln K},$$

is the K branching number



Anderson Model on a Cayley tree

A selfconsistent theory of localization

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Abstract. A new basis has been found for the theory of localization of electrons in disordered systems. The method is based on a selfconsistent solution of the equation for the self energy in second order perturbation theory, whose solution may be purely real almost everywhere (localized states) or complex everywhere (nonlocalized states). The equations used are exact for a Bethe lattice. The selfconsistency condition gives a nonlinear integral equation in two variables for the probability distribution of the real and imaginary parts of the self energy. A simple approximation for the stability limit of localized states gives Anderson's 'upper limit approximation'. Exact solution of the stability problem in a special case gives results very close to Anderson's best estimate. A general and simple formula for the stability limit is derived; this formula should be valid for smooth distribution of site energies away from the band edge. Results of Monte Carlo calculations of the selfconsistency problem are described which confirm and go beyond the analytical results. The relation of this theory to the old Anderson theory is examined, and it is concluded that the present theory is similar but better.

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Q: Is it correct? A1: Is exact on the Cayley tree $I_c = \frac{W}{K \ln K}, \quad K_{\text{branching}}^{\text{is the}}$

A 1 'Is a good approximation at high dimensions. Is qualitatively correct for $d \ge 3$



Probability Distribution of $\Gamma = Im \Sigma$



Condition for Localization:

$$\frac{I_c}{W} \simeq \left(\frac{1}{2d}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\ln d}\right)$$

Q: Is it correct?
A1: Is exact on the Cayley tree

$$I_c = \frac{W}{K \ln K}, \quad K_{\text{branching}}^{\text{is the}}$$
A1': Is a good approximation at high dimensions.
Is qualitatively correct for $d \ge 3$

A2: For low dimensions – NO. $I_c = \infty$ for d = 1, 2All states are localized. Reason – loop trajectories **1D** Localization

Exactly solved: Gertsenshtein & Vasil'ev, all states are localized 1959

Conjectured:

Mott & Twose, 1961

- - Image: A set of the set of the

Condition for Localization:

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Q:Is it correct? A2: For low dimensions - NO. $I_c = \infty$ for d = 1, 2All states are localized. Reason - loop trajectories

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

Phase accumulated when traveling along the loop



The particle can go around the loop in two directions

Einstein: there is no diffusion at too short scales - there is memory, i.e., the process is not marcovian.

Due to the localization effects diffusion description fails at large scales. Quantum interference —— Memory





 $g(L) = \frac{hD/L^2}{1/\nu L^d} =$

mean level spacing

Dimensionless Thouless conductance

Scaling theory of Localization (Abrahams, Anderson, Licciardello and Ramakrishnan 1979)

$$g = E_T / \delta_1$$

Dimensionless Thouless conductance

$$g = Gh/e^2$$



$$\boldsymbol{L} = 2\boldsymbol{L} = 4\boldsymbol{L} = 8\boldsymbol{L} \dots$$

without quantum corrections

$$E_T \propto L^{-2} \quad \delta_1 \propto L^{-d}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}} \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}} \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}} \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}} \quad \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{T}} \\
 \mathbf{\delta}_{1} \quad \mathbf{\delta}_{1} \quad \mathbf{\delta}_{1} \quad \mathbf{\delta}_{1} \quad \mathbf{\delta}_{1}$$

 $\mathbf{g} \longrightarrow \mathbf{g} \longrightarrow \mathbf{g} \longrightarrow \mathbf{g}$



 $\frac{d(\log g)}{d(\log L)} = \beta(g)$

$$\beta$$
 – function is

Universal, i.e., material independent But

It depends on the global symmetries, e.g., it is different with and without *T*-invariance (in orthogonal and unitary ensembles)

Limits:

$$g \gg 1$$
 $g \propto L^{d-2}$ $\beta(g) = (d-2) + O\left(\frac{1}{g}\right)$

 $g \ll 1$ $g \propto e^{-L/\xi}$ $\beta(g) \approx \log g < 0$



RG approach

Effective Field Theory of Localization – Nonlinear σ – model



For d=1,2 all states are localized.

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Weak Localization:

The localization length ${\cal G}\,$ can be large

Inelastic processes lead to dephasing, which is characterized by the dephasing length $L_{\!_{\mathcal{O}}}$

If $\varsigma >> L_{\varphi}$, then only small corrections to a conventional metallic behavior

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Таблица 2

Уменьшение сопротивления теллура в магнитном поле

Образец	Температура (°К)	Максимальное уменьшение сопро- тивления
Te-1	2,13	$0,7 \cdot 10^{-3}$
Te-2	2,15	$1,0 \cdot 10^{-3}$
Te-4	1,96	$1,1 \cdot 10^{-3}$
Te-5	1,96	$0,5 \cdot 10^{-3}$









No magnetic field $\varphi_1 = \varphi_2$

With magnetic field H $\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 = 2 * 2\pi \Phi / \Phi_0$



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

Weak Localization

Negative Magnetoresistance



Aharonov-Bohm effect

Theory

B.A., Aronov & Spivak (1981)





(1949)

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 Ω , $R_{300}/R_{4,2}=2.8$. Solid line: averaged from four experimental curves. Dashed line: calculated for $L_{\alpha} = 2.2 \ \mu m$, $\tau_{\alpha} / \tau_{so} = 0$, filament diameter $d = 1.31 \ \mu m$, film thickness 127 nm. Filament diameter measured with scanning electron microscope yields $d = 1.30 \pm 0.03 \ \mu m$ (Altshuler et al., 1982; Sharvin, 1984).

Experiment Sharvin & Sharvin (1981)



Temperature dependence of the conductivity one-electron picture



Temperature dependence of the conductivity one-electron picture

Assume that all the states are localized; e.g. d = 1,2



Inelastic processes transitions between localized states



$$T=0 \implies \sigma=0$$

(any mechanism)

Phonon-assisted hopping



Any bath with a continuous spectrum of delocalized excitations down to $\omega = 0$ will give the same exponential

Spectral statistics and Localization

RANDOM MATRIX THEORY

Spectral statistics

 $\begin{array}{ll} N \times N & \begin{array}{c} ensemble \ of \ Hermitian \ matrices \\ with \ random \ matrix \ element \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} N \rightarrow \infty \end{array}$

- E_{α}
- $\delta_1 \equiv \left\langle \boldsymbol{E}_{\alpha+1} \boldsymbol{E}_{\alpha} \right\rangle$

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

- spectrum (set of eigenvalues)
- mean level spacing, determines the density of states
- ensemble averaging
- spacing between nearest neighbors
- distribution function of nearest neighbors spacing between

Spectral RigidityP(s=0)=0Level repulsion $P(s << 1) \propto s^{\beta}$ $\beta=1,2,4$





Is there much in common between Random Matrices and Hamiltonians with random potential ?



What are the spectral statistics of a finite size Anderson model

Anderson Transition

Strong disorder

 $I < I_c$

Insulator All eigenstates are localized Localization length ξ

The eigenstates, which are localized at different places will not repel each other Weak disorder



Metal There appear states extended all over the whole system

Any two extended eigenstates repel each other

Poisson spectral statistics

Wigner – Dyson spectral statistics

Anderson Localization and Spectral Statistics



Extended Level repulsion, anticrossings, states: Wigner-Dyson spectral statistics

Localized states: Poisson spectral statistics

Invariant (basis independent) definition

In general: Localization in the space of quantum numbers. KAM tori \iff localized states.

Glossary

Classical	Quantum
Integrable	$\hat{\mathbf{M}}$ Integrable
$H_0 = H_0(\vec{I})$	$H_{0} = \sum_{\mu} E_{\mu} \mu\rangle \langle \mu , \mu\rangle = I\rangle$
KAM	Localized
Ergodic – distributed all over the energy shell Chaotic	Extended ?

Many-Body Localization

BA, Gefen, Kamenev & Levitov, 1997 Basko, Aleiner & BA, 2005

Example: Random Ising model in the perpendicular field Will not discuss today in detail

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} B_i \hat{\sigma}_i^z + \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_j^z + I \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{\sigma}_i^x \equiv \hat{H}_0 + I \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{\sigma}_i^x$$
Perpendicular field
$$\vec{\sigma}_i - \text{Pauli matrices, } \sigma_i^z = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$$i = 1, 2, ..., N; \quad N \gg 1$$

Without perpendicular field all σ_i^2 commute with the Hamiltonian, i.e. they are integrals of motion

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Perpendicular
Random Ising model
in a parallel field
$$\vec{\sigma}_i - \text{Pauli matrices}$$

$$i = 1, 2, ..., N; \quad N \gg 1$$
Without, perpendicular field
all σ_i commute with the
Hamiltonian, i.e. they are
integrals of motion
$$\{\sigma_i^z\} \text{ determines a site}$$

$$H_0(\{\sigma_i\})$$
onsite energy
$$\hat{\sigma}_i^x = \hat{\sigma}^+ + \hat{\sigma}^-$$
hoping between
nearest neighbors

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} B_i \hat{\sigma}_i^z + \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_j^z + I \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{\sigma}_i^x \equiv \hat{H}_0 + I \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{\sigma}_i^x$$

Anderson Model on N-dimensional cube

Usually:

- **# of dimensions** $d \rightarrow const$
- system linear size $L \rightarrow \infty$

Here:

- **# of dimensions** $d = N \rightarrow \infty$
- system linear size L=1







9-dimensional cube

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} B_i \hat{\sigma}_i^z + \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_j^z + I \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{\sigma}_i^x \equiv \hat{H}_0 + I \sum_{i=1}^{N} \hat{\sigma}_i^x$$

Anderson Model on N-dimensional cube

Localization: •No relaxation •No equipartition •No temperature •No thermodynamics

Glass ??