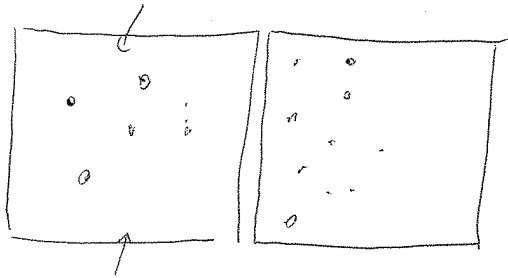


The scaling theory of localitation:

take two slabs (disordered)

make one from them



$$G_{LR} = ?$$

wave functions

$$\varphi_E^a(i) \rightarrow a_E^+$$

$$\varphi_E^b(j) \rightarrow b_E^+$$

$$H_L = \sum_E \epsilon a_E^+ a_E + \sum_{E'} \epsilon' b_{E'}^+ b_{E'} + \hat{T}$$

l.h.s.

$$\text{tunneling} = \hat{T} = \sum_{E, E'} (t_{E, E'} a_E^+ b_{E'} + h.c.)$$

t contains information about $\varphi_E^{a,b} \sim \sum_{(i,j) \in \text{surface}} (\varphi_E^a(i))^* \varphi_{E'}^b(j)$

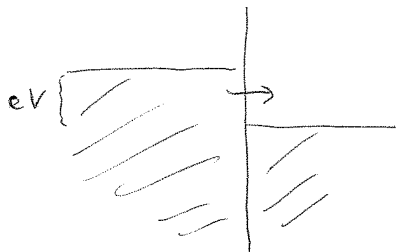
extended states $t_{E, E'} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{V_L}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{V_R}} \cdot \sqrt{S}$

localized states $t_{E, E'} \sim e^{-L/\xi}$

conductance

L R

rate to go from left to right



$$R = \sum_{E, E'} \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |t_{E, E'}|^2 \delta(E - E' + eV) f(E)(1 - f(E'))$$

$$\approx eV \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \langle |t_{E, E'}|^2 \rangle N_L \cdot N_R$$

$$\sum_E \Rightarrow \int d\epsilon N_L(\epsilon) \dots$$

$$I = e \cdot R = \frac{e^2}{h} (2\pi)^2 N_L N_R \langle |t|^2 \rangle \cdot V$$

$$G = 2 \cdot \frac{e^2}{h} \underbrace{\langle |t|^2 \rangle}_{g} N_L N_R$$

gradient
 $\Delta V = \frac{V}{L} \cdot a$; correct
 L^{D-1}

metal

$$\langle |t|^2 \rangle \sim \frac{1}{V_L} \frac{1}{V_R} \cdot S$$

$$\Rightarrow g \propto S \propto L^{D-1}$$

$$N_{L,R} \sim V_L, V_R$$

insulator:

$$|t|^2 \sim e^{-L/\xi}$$

$$g \propto e^{-L/\xi}$$

Statement: g measures extension of wave functions

assume t is small \rightarrow perturbation theory

assume $V_L = V_R, N_R = N_L$

$$\varphi_\epsilon^a \rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}_\epsilon^a = \varphi_\epsilon^a + \sum_{\epsilon'} t_{\epsilon'\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon - \epsilon'} \cdot \varphi_{\epsilon'}^b + \dots$$

weight on r. h. s. $w \sim \sum_{\epsilon'} \frac{t_{\epsilon'\epsilon}^2}{(\epsilon - \epsilon')^2} \sim$

\leftrightarrow level spacing on r. h. s. $\delta E = \frac{1}{N}$

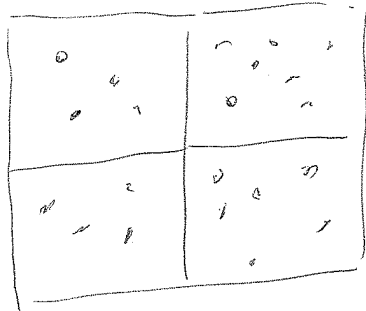
$$\Rightarrow w \sim \frac{1}{\delta E^2} \langle t_{\epsilon\epsilon'}^2 \rangle = N^2 \langle |t|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{(2V)^2} g$$

states remain localized on one side, if

$$g \lesssim 1$$

get extended if $g \gtrsim 1$

one parameter scaling:



join slices

$$g(L) \leftrightarrow \text{typical}$$

$$\leftrightarrow \text{structure of } \varphi \Rightarrow g(L) \sim \rho(L)$$

if I know $g(L) \Rightarrow$ determines $g(2L)$

$$g(\overbrace{d \cdot L}^L) = f(g(L), d) \quad (\text{assumption})$$

$\uparrow \ln \frac{L'}{L}$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{\partial \ln g}{\partial \ln L} = \frac{1}{g} \left. \frac{\partial f(g, d)}{\partial d} \right|_{d=0} = \beta(g) \right]$$

verify:

$$g \sim L^{D-2}$$

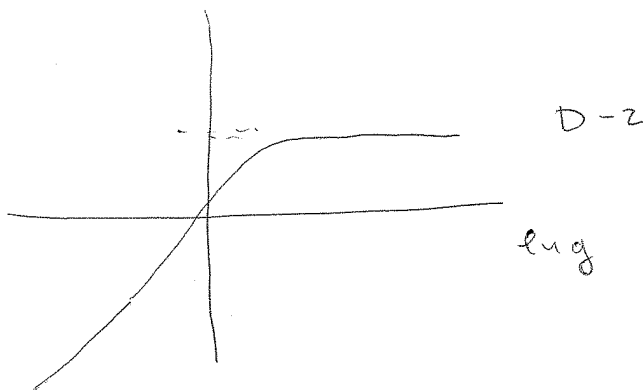
metal

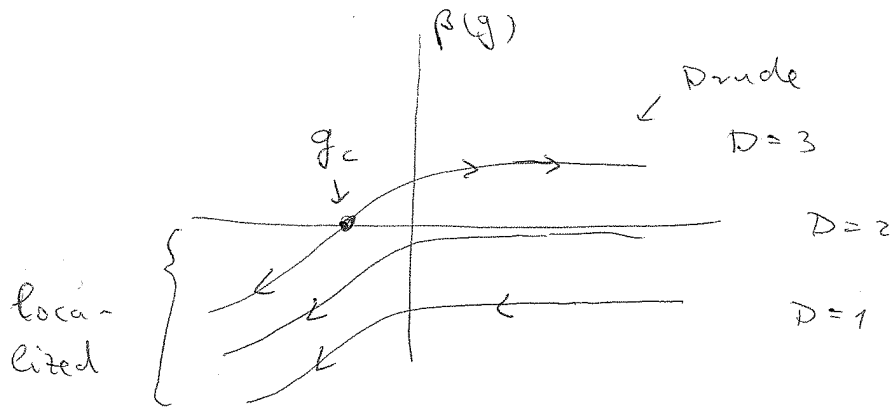
$$\ln g = (D-1) \cdot \ln L \rightarrow \frac{\partial \ln g}{\partial \ln L} = D-1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$g \sim e^{-L/\xi} \Rightarrow \ln g = -\frac{L}{\xi}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln g}{\partial \ln L} = L \frac{\partial}{\partial L} \left(-\frac{L}{\xi} \right) = -\frac{L}{\xi} = \ln g \quad \checkmark$$

$\beta(g)$





1 and 2D : states are localized !

3D : \exists critical conductance g_c

take μ -scopic slab of size L_0 , $g_0 = g(L_0)$

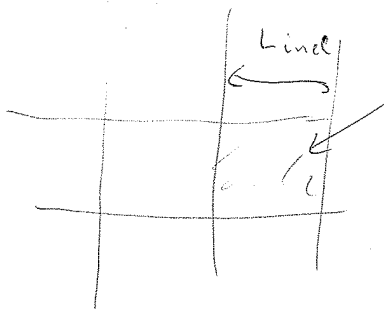
if $g(L_0) = g_0 < g_c \Rightarrow$ insulator

$g_0 > g_c \Rightarrow$ metal

$$g_c \sim 1 \Rightarrow G_c \sim \frac{2e^2}{h} = G_Q \rightarrow R_c \sim \frac{1}{G_Q} \sim 25$$

remarks: this is the conductance of a coherent piece of metal (no inelastic processes), $T=0$ temperature
finite $T \rightarrow ??$

$T \neq 0$ inel. processes $\rightarrow \tau_{inel} \rightarrow L_{inel}(T)$



Q-effects \sim interference inside

$$g(L) \approx \left(\frac{L}{L_{inel}} \right)^{D-1} \cdot \frac{1}{(L/L_{inel})} g(L_{inel})$$

$$= L^{D-2} \frac{1}{L_{inel}^{D-2}} g(L_{inel})$$

$$\sim \rho(T)$$

vanishing of critical conductivity:

$D=3$ $g(0) \leftarrow$ is a function of pressure, concentration etc.
 \downarrow
 g_c

$g(L) = ?$

$$\beta(g) \approx \begin{cases} s \cdot (\ln g - \ln g_c) & g < g_c \\ D-2 = 1 & g > g_c \end{cases}$$

$$\ln \frac{L}{L_0} = \int_{\ln g_0}^{\ln g} \frac{1}{\beta(g)} dg$$

$$\approx \ln \frac{g}{g_0} + \int_{\ln g_0}^{\ln \tilde{g}} \frac{1}{\ln g - \ln g_c} dg$$

$$\approx s \ln \left(\frac{\ln(\tilde{g}/g_c)}{\ln(g_0/g_c)} \right)$$

\Rightarrow

$$g = \frac{L}{L_0} \tilde{g} (g_0 - g_c)^{1/s}$$

$$a \approx \frac{e^2}{h} \frac{1}{L_0} \tilde{g} (g_0 - g_c)^{1/s}$$

$\approx 1/3$

weak localization corrections:

$g \gg 1 \sim$ weak scattering

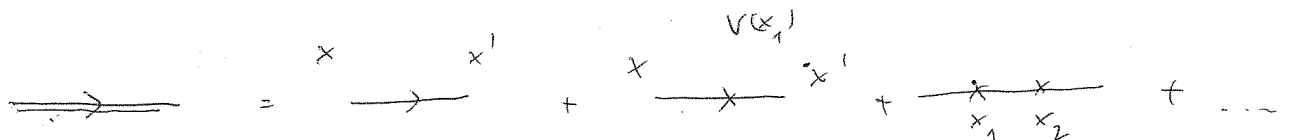
\rightarrow perturbation theory in scattering

$$H = \sum_r \int d^D x \left\{ \psi_r^\dagger(x) \left(-\frac{\Delta}{2m} - \mu \right) \psi_r(x) + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{random potential}}}{V(x)} \psi_r^\dagger(x) \psi_r(x) \right\}$$

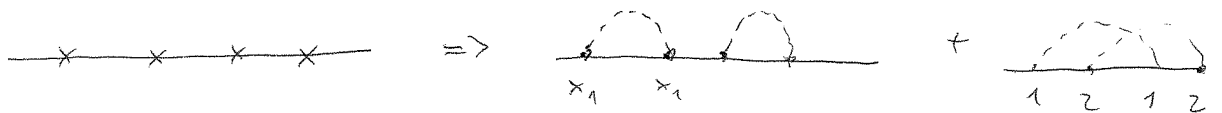
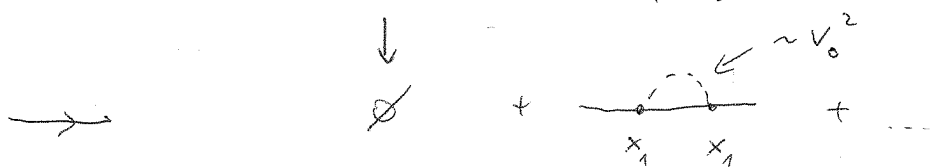
for simplicity, Gaussian $\Rightarrow \langle V(x) V(x') \rangle \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{disorder average}}}{}$

$= V_0^2 \delta(x-x')$ but $\langle V(x) \rangle = 0$ + Wick

real space

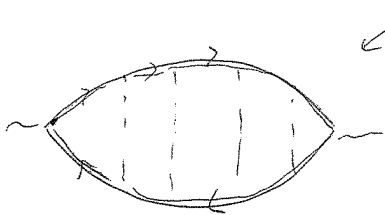


averaging

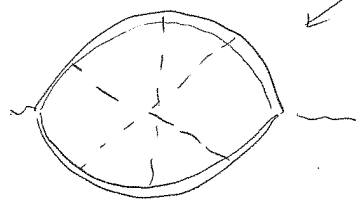


+ \sim interact

conductance



Drude



weak localized correction

$$\Rightarrow \beta(g) = D-2 - \frac{C_D}{g} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{g^2}\right)$$