

Spin-Polarized Tunneling Microscopy and the Kondo Effect



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Overview of the Kondo Effect

Source Kondo Systems: Quantum Dots and STM

Spin-Polarzied STM and the Kondo effect





(Anderson model)

 $2E_d + U$

 E_d

 $\epsilon_{
m F}$





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Kondo Effect: Quantum Dots



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-0.5

-1.0

0.0

V(Γ)

0.5

1.0



Kondo Effect: STM $H = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{k\sigma} + \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k a_{k\sigma}^{\dagger} a_{k\sigma} + E_d \sum_{\sigma} d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + U \hat{n}_{\uparrow} \hat{n}_{\downarrow} + \sum_{k\sigma} V_{kd} c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + \text{H.c}$ $+\sum t_{kd}a_{k\sigma}^{\dagger}d_{\sigma} + \text{H.c} + \sum w_{kk'}c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger}a_{k'\sigma} + \text{H.c}$ $^{k,k',\sigma}$ $k\sigma$ t_{dk} $w_{kk'}$

$$\frac{dI}{d(eV)} \propto |w|^2 \rho_{\rm sub}(\omega) + |t|^2 \rho_d(\omega) - \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \left\{ 2twVG_0^{\rm R}(\omega)G^d(\omega) \right\}$$



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 t_{dk}

 $w_{kk'}$

Pol.= 33% spin up
$$\begin{split} \Gamma_V &= \pi |V|^2 \rho_{\rm sub} \\ \Gamma_t^{\uparrow} &= \pi |t|^2 \rho_{\rm tip}^{\uparrow} \\ \Gamma_V &\approx .2 eV \\ \text{splitting} &\sim \text{few meV} \\ \text{B}_{\rm eff} &= 60\text{--}70 \text{ T} \end{split}$$





Results:

Conductance



Future Experiments?

Soft magnetic material



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Anti-ferromagnetic Material



Does the Kondo effect survive?

Summary

SP-STM breaks the spin symmetry of a Kondo system (similar to applied magnetic field)

- Leads to splitting of Kondo peak (spin up/down)
- Which in turn splits the Fano resonance of the conductance

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