

Anderson localization

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Short History of Anderson Localization

- 1958 \rightarrow : Anderson localization of electron wavefunctions in disordered solids
- 1977 : Nobel Prize in Physics goes to Philip Anderson
- 1985 → : Growing interest in Anderson localization of classical waves (light, sound, ...)
- 1995 → : Claims of experimental observations of Anderson localization of light, microwaves, ultrasound, ...
- 2000 → : Search for Anderson localization of Bose-Einstein condensates in disordered potentials

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Localized and extended states in 1D chain







A metal-insulator transition at $g=g_c$ is continuous (d>2).

But the localization phenomena is Multifractal !

ultifractality: scaling behavior of moments of (critical) wave functions

Continuous set of independent and universal critical exponents Δ_q : anomalous scaling dimensions

singularity spectrum
$$f(\alpha) = q\alpha - \tau_q$$
 $\alpha = \frac{d\tau_q}{dq}$ $\alpha > 0$

From Single Scattering to Anderson Localization

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'Strength' of disorder

Experimental Evidence

Exponential scaling of average transmission with L

Outline

- **1)** Non-perturbative method in 1D
 - a) random mass oscillators
 - b) Disordered Schrödinger equation
 - c) Magnon modes of spin glass

Perturbative method

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- a) Mapping the quenched random differential equation to a Martin-Siggia-Rose action (elastic wave)
- **3)** Numerical method
 - a) Red-Shift of spectral density (light localization)
- 4) Acoustic wave in random Dimer media

Part – I

a) Random Mass (1D)

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\psi + m(x)\omega^2\psi = 0.$$

Random density $m(x) = \overline{m} + c(x)$ (\overline{m} is mean density)

 $\boldsymbol{c}(\boldsymbol{x})$ is Gaussian uncorrelated random function

$$\label{eq:constraint} \begin{split} &< c(x) >= 0, \\ &< c(x) c(x') >= \sigma^2 \delta(x-x'). \end{split}$$

The log-derivative of
$$\psi$$
, $f(x) = \psi'(x)/\psi(x)$
 $f' + f^2 + \omega^2 m(x) = 0.$ $f' = df/dx.$
 $D^{(1)} = -f^2 - \omega^2 \bar{m}$
 $D^{(2)} = \omega^2 \sigma.$

The probability distribution function (PDF) of f(x), i.e. $P(\xi,x),$

Fokker-Planck equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}P(\xi,x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}(\xi^2 + \omega^2 \bar{m} + \frac{\sigma^2 \omega^4}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi})P(\xi,x).$$

 $P(\xi,x)d\xi$ is the probability of finding f(x) between ξ and $\xi+d\xi$

 $P(\xi,x) = \langle \delta(f(x) - \xi) \rangle$

The homogeneous solution (or at
$$x \to \infty$$
) of Fokker-Planck equation

$$(\xi^2 + \omega^2 \bar{m} + \frac{\sigma^2 \omega^4}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}) p(\xi) = p_0.$$

 $p(\xi) = \lim_{x \to \infty} P(\xi, x).$

$$\begin{split} p(\xi) &= \frac{2p_0}{\sigma^2 \omega^4} \exp\left\{-\frac{2}{\sigma^2 \omega^4}(\frac{\xi^3}{3} + \omega^2 \bar{m}\xi)\right\} \\ &\times \int_{-\infty}^{\xi} d\eta \, \exp\left\{\frac{2}{\sigma^2 \omega^4}(\frac{\eta^3}{3} + \omega^2 \bar{m}\eta)\right\}. \end{split}$$

Random Mass (gerenelized PDF)

$$\mathcal{P}(\xi,x) = - < \frac{\partial f}{\partial \omega^2} \delta(f(x) - \xi) > .$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{P}(\xi, x)}{\partial x} &= \bar{m} P(\xi, x) + \omega^2 \sigma^2 \frac{\partial P(\xi, x)}{\partial \xi} - \\ & \left[(\xi^2 + \omega^2 \bar{m}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\omega^4 \sigma^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} \right] \mathcal{P}(\xi, x). \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho(\omega^2) = \bar{m} \int p(-\xi) p(\xi) d\xi + \omega^2 \sigma^2 \int p(-\xi) \frac{\partial p}{\partial \xi} d\xi.$$

$$p(\xi) = \frac{2p_0}{\sigma^2 \omega^4} \exp\left\{-\frac{2}{\sigma^2 \omega^4} (\frac{\xi^3}{3} + \omega^2 \bar{m}\xi)\right\}$$
$$\times \int_{-\infty}^{\xi} d\eta \, \exp\left\{\frac{2}{\sigma^2 \omega^4} (\frac{\eta^3}{3} + \omega^2 \bar{m}\eta)\right\}.$$
$$\partial p_0 / \partial \omega^2 = \rho(\omega^2). \qquad p_0 = \mathcal{N}(\omega^2)$$
$$\frac{1}{\mathcal{N}(\omega^2)} = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{(\omega^2 \sigma)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{2\bar{m}}{\omega^{\frac{2}{3}}\sigma^{\frac{4}{3}}}x\right].$$
In the limit $\sigma \to 0$ $\mathcal{N}(\omega^2) = 1/\pi\sqrt{\bar{m}\omega^2}$

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Lyapunov Exponents

$$f=\partial\ln(\psi)/\partial x,$$

$$\begin{split} \gamma &= \lim_{x \to \infty} \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln(\psi) \rangle = \langle f \rangle_{\infty}. \qquad \gamma = \int \xi p(\xi) d\xi. \\ \gamma &= \frac{\omega^2}{2} \left(\frac{I_+}{I_-} \right), \end{split}$$

$$I_{\pm} = \int_{0}^{\infty} du u^{(\pm)\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\omega^{2}}{6\sigma^{2}}u^{3} - \frac{2\bar{m}}{\sigma^{2}}u\right\}.$$

Lyapunov Exponents

in limit of $\omega \to 0$,

$$\gamma = \frac{\sigma^2 \omega^2}{8\bar{m}},$$

$$\begin{split} \omega &\to \infty \\ \gamma &= \frac{6^{\frac{1}{3}}\sqrt{\pi}}{2\times \Gamma(\frac{1}{6})} \sigma^{2/3} \omega^{4/3}. \end{split}$$

localization length scales as $l~\sim~\omega^{-4/3}$

b) Disordered Schrodinger Equation (1D)

$$H = -\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V(x)$$

potential V(x) is a zero mean, Gaussian random white noise

$$\langle V(x)V(x')\rangle=\delta(x-x').$$

$$\begin{split} \gamma &= \frac{1}{2E} \left(\frac{I_+}{I_-} \right), \quad I_\pm = \int_0^\infty du u^{(\pm)\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{24E^3} u^3 - u \right\}. \end{split}$$
 In the limit $(E \to \infty) \qquad \gamma \sim 1/4E$

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c) HARMONIC MAGNON MODES HEISENBERG--MATTIS SPIN GLASSES

$$H = \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} S_i \cdot S_j.$$

$$P(J_{ij}) = 1/2\delta(J_{ij} - J) + 1/2\delta(J_{ij} + J)$$

coupling J is a constant $S^{\pm} = S_x \pm iS_y$

$$H = \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \left[\frac{1}{2} (S_i^+ S_j^- + S_i^- S_j^+) + S_i^z S_j^z \right]$$

HEISENBERG--MATTIS SPIN GLASSES

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial S_i^+}{\partial t} = \sum_{j \neq i} J_{ij} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [S_i^+, S_i^+ S_j^- + S_i^- S_j^+] + [S_i^+, S_i^z S_j^z] \right\}.$$
$$[S_i^+, S_j^-] = 2\delta_{ij} S_i^z \text{ and } [S_i^z, S_j^\pm] = \pm \delta_{ij} S_i^\pm$$

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial S_i^+}{\partial t} = \sum_{j\neq i} J_{ij}(S_i^z S_j^+ - S_j^z S_i^+).$$

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial S_i^+}{\partial t} = -(J_{i,i+1}S_{i+1}^z + J_{i,i-1}S_{i-1}^z)S_i^+ + J_{i,i+1}S_i^zS_{i+1}^+ + J_{i,i-1}S_i^zS_{i-1}^+.$$

HEISENBERG--MATTIS SPIN GLASSES

Heisenberg–Mattis spin glass.

Now assuming to have small spin wave amplitude

$$S^x, S^y \ll S$$
 $S^z_i \approx \zeta_i S,$

where S is the length of spin vectors and ζ_i equates ± 1 .

$$(2 - \zeta_i \Omega) \mu_i = \mu_{i+1} + \mu_{i-1}.$$

$$\mu_i = \zeta_i S_i^+$$
zero average mass
$$\omega^2 \equiv \Omega \qquad \gamma = \frac{6^{\frac{1}{3}} \sqrt{\pi}}{2 \times \Gamma(\frac{1}{6})} (\sigma \Omega)^{2/3},$$

Part - (II-a)

Elastic wave localization

Martin-Siggia-Rose action

II-a) The Model (Scalar Field)

The scalar wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}\psi(\mathbf{x},t) - \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot [\lambda(\mathbf{x})\boldsymbol{\nabla}\psi(\mathbf{x},t)] = 0 , \qquad (2)$$

where $\psi(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is the wave amplitude, and $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = e(\mathbf{x})/m$ the ratio of the elastic stiffness $e(\mathbf{x})$ and the medium's mean density m. We then write λ as,

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \lambda_0 + \eta(\mathbf{x}) , \qquad (3)$$

where $\lambda_0 = \langle \lambda(\mathbf{x}) \rangle$. In the present paper $\eta(\mathbf{x})$ is assumed to be a Gaussian random process with a zero mean and the covariance, $\langle \eta(\mathbf{x})\eta(\mathbf{x}') \rangle = 2C(|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|) = 2D_0 \delta^d(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') + 2D_\rho |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^{2\rho-d}.$

The Martin-Siggia-Rose Action

$$\begin{split} S_{e}[\psi_{I},\psi_{R},\tilde{\psi},\chi,\chi^{*}] &= \\ \int d\mathbf{x}d\mathbf{x}' \left[(i\tilde{\psi}_{I}(\mathbf{x}')(\nabla^{2} + \frac{\omega^{2}}{\lambda_{0}})\psi_{I}(\mathbf{x}) + i\tilde{\psi}_{R}(\mathbf{x}')(\nabla^{2} + \frac{\omega^{2}}{\lambda_{0}})\psi_{R}(\mathbf{x}) \right. \\ &+ \chi^{*}(\mathbf{x}')(\nabla^{2} + \frac{\omega^{2}}{\lambda_{0}})\chi(\mathbf{x}))\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \\ &+ (i\nabla\tilde{\psi}_{I}\nabla\psi_{I} + i\nabla\tilde{\psi}_{R}\nabla\psi_{R} + \nabla\chi\nabla\chi)\frac{K(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')}{\lambda_{0}^{2}} \left(i\nabla\tilde{\psi}_{I}\nabla\psi_{I} \right. \\ &+ i\nabla\tilde{\psi}_{R}\nabla\psi_{R} + \nabla\chi\nabla\chi) \right] \\ \\ \left. g_{0} = D_{0}/\lambda_{0}^{2}, \quad g_{\rho} = D\rho/\lambda_{\rho}^{2} \end{split}$$

• RG analysis to one-loop order in the limit, $\omega^2/\lambda_0 \rightarrow 0$, to determine the two beta functions.

Diagrammatic Representation and One-Loop Corrections

FIG. 3. One-loop corrections to the four-point correlation function.

The Beta Functions

The functions $\beta(\tilde{g}_0)$ and $\beta(\tilde{g}_{\rho})$ are then given by,

$$eta(ilde{g}_0) = rac{\partial ilde{g}_0}{\partial \ln l} = -d ilde{g}_0 + 8 ilde{g}_0^2 + 10 ilde{g}_
ho^2 + 20 ilde{g}_0 ilde{g}_
ho \ ,$$

$$\beta(\tilde{g}_{\rho}) = \frac{\partial \tilde{g}_{\rho}}{\partial \ln l} = (2\rho - d)\tilde{g}_{\rho} + 12\tilde{g}_{0}\tilde{g}_{\rho} + 16\tilde{g}_{\rho}^{2},$$

where l > 1 is the re-scaling parameter, and

$$\tilde{g}_0 = k_d \left[\frac{d+5}{2d(d+2)} \right] g_0 \;,$$

$$\tilde{g}_{\rho} = k_d \left[\frac{d+5}{2d(d+2)} \right] g_{\rho} \; , \label{eq:g_rho}$$

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Three sets of fixed points for $0 < \rho < d/2$: Trivial FP (Gaussian) at $g_0^* = g_{\rho}^* = 0$ (stable) Non-trivial FPs, one at $g_0^* = d/8$, $g_{\rho}^* = 0$, and the other at

$$\begin{split} g_0^* &= -\frac{4}{41} \left[d + \frac{5}{16} (2\rho - d) \right] \\ &- \frac{4}{41} \sqrt{\left[d + \frac{5}{16} (2\rho - d) \right]^2 + \frac{205}{256} (2\rho - d)^2} \;, \\ &g_\rho^* = \frac{3}{4} g_0^* + \frac{1}{16} (d - 2\rho) \;, \end{split}$$

Stable in one eigendirection, but unstable in the other eigendirection.

Phase Space (Continued)

Thus, a system with uncorrelated disorder is unstable against disorder with long-range correlations towards a new FP.

• Thus, with increasing disorder, extended \rightarrow localized

FIG. 5. Flows in the coupling constants space for $0 < \rho < \frac{1}{2}d$.

Phase Space (Continued)

Two sets of fixed points for $\rho > d/2$:

Gaussian FP, stable on the g_0 axis, but not on the g_0 axis

- Non-trivial FP at $g_0^* = d/8$, $g_{\rho}^* = 0$, unstable in all directions.
- Thus, power-law disorder relevant, but no new FP.

FIG. 6. Flows in the coupling constants space for $\rho > \frac{1}{2}d$.

Localization length ξ as a function of the frequency ω for $\sigma < \sigma_c \simeq 2.4$ and $\sigma > \sigma_c$. The system size is $N = 6 \times 10^6$. The results represent averages over 6000 realizations.

Wave Front

and $t_3 = 440$, with $\rho = 1.5$.

Roughness of Wave Front: Self-Affine Fronts

Computing the correlation function

$$C(r) = \langle [d(x) - d(x + r)]^2 \rangle$$

d(x) = distance from the source along the propagation direction

 $C(r) \sim r^{2\alpha}$

$$\alpha = H = \rho - 1$$

S. M. Vaez Allaei and M. Sahimi, PRL 96, 075507 (2006).

Part – III

Numerical Method Red-Shift of Spectral Density (Light Localization)

Transfer Matrix (random mass)

$$\psi_{i+1} + \psi_{i-1} - (2 - m_i \omega^2) \psi_i = 0 ,$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_{i+1} \\ \psi_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 - m_i \omega^2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_i \\ \psi_{i-1} \end{pmatrix} ,$$

with initial normalized vector, $\mathbf{v} = (1/\sqrt{2}, 1/\sqrt{2})^{\mathrm{T}}$. Oseledec theorem:

To ensure the stability of the numerical method, after multiplying the transfer matrices M times, we checked the length of the resulting vector, normalized it again, and then continued with the new vector Transfer Matrix (random mass)

The Lyapunov exponent is then expressed in terms of vector lengths d_{α} obtained after N normalization of v.

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N} \ln(d_{\alpha}).$$

error in estimating γ is given by,

$$\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \frac{\sqrt{\langle (\ln d_{\alpha})^2 \rangle - \langle \ln d_{\alpha} \rangle^2}}{\langle \ln d_{\alpha} \rangle}$$

 γ is a self-averaged quantity, and the error of its estimates approaches zero as $1/\sqrt{N}$, as N increases.

Dynamics of Pulse in Random Media "3D Light localization"

FIG. 1. The Observed pulse in Z = 500d, where d is the lattice spacing and the initial pulse at Z = 0 (inset).

Red-Shift of Spectral Density

FIG. 2. The initial spectral density of pulse at Z = 0and the observed ones (others) in different location from the source. Here ω_0 is the maximum frequency of spectrum. There is a red-shift in the spectral density due to the localization of different frequencies in different length scales.

Localized Behavior

FIG. 3. Semi-Log plot of amplitude difference of spectral density verses distance Z, for different disordered strengths,(for frequency $\omega = 2\omega_0$, where ω_0 is the frequency that the spectral density of the incident pulse has maximum).

Localization length

FIG. 4. The frequency dependence of the localization length for different for different disordered strengths. The modes with $\xi(\omega)/L > 1$ and $\xi(\omega)/L < 1$ are delocalized and localized, respectively.

Black-Body radiation

FIG. 5. Spectral density of black body radiation and its shape deformation by propagating in for instance, Z direction.

Red-shift vs Distance from the source.

FIG. 6. Peak frequency of the spectral density versus the location of observation for different noise strengths.

For small disorder strength

$$\Delta\omega/\omega_0 \propto Z/d,$$

Red-shift vs strength of disorder

FIG. 7. Ration of peak frequency of the spectral density versus the disorder strength at different location.

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$$\Delta \omega / \omega_0 \propto W / W_0$$

Measured Temperature at distance Z (in weak disorder limit)

$(T_0 - T(Z))/T_0 \propto Z$

As an example, suppose that the source at Z = 0 is at temperature 1000 K. At a distance 92 μ m (which is about 500 characteristic length of the disorder), the apparent measured temperature of the source would be about 900 ± 50 K. This difference in the actual and apparent temperatures is obtained for the disorder strength $\sigma = 0.3$.

Acoustic waves in the random dimer media

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Random Dimer

 $k_A, k_A, k_A, k_A, k_A, k_B, k_B, k_A, k_A, k_A, k_B, k_B, \cdots$

Critical exponents

 $\omega_c^2 = 2k_B$

	ξ	\propto	ω	—	ω_c	-1			
ω	>	ω_c	2		ν	\simeq	6	2.2	0
ω	<	ω_c			1	$\nu \simeq$	2	1.8	35

$$\omega \rightarrow 0^+$$
 $\nu \simeq 1.94$

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