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Kondo effect graphene



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Energy dispersion over the whole BZ



Castro Neto et al, Rev. Mod. Phys. (2009)



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Massless Dirac cones in graphene and graphite



$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Phi^*(\vec{k}) \\ \Phi(\vec{k}) & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi(\vec{k}) = -t \sum_{n=1}^3 e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{\delta}_n}$$

Near $K : \vec{k} = K + \vec{p} \Rightarrow \Phi(\vec{p}) \propto p_X + ip_Y$
$$\Rightarrow H_K = \hbar v_F \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_X - ip_Y \\ p_Y + ip_Y & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \hbar v_F \vec{\sigma}.\vec{p}$$

$$(\begin{array}{c} \mu_{X} + \mu_{Y} \\ \overline{\mu}_{X} + \mu_{Y} \end{array})$$

$$K \rightarrow \overline{K} \equiv p_{Y} \rightarrow -p_{Y}$$
Near $\overline{K} : H_{\overline{K}} = \hbar v_{F} \overline{\sigma}^{*} . \overline{p}$





A. Bostwick, et al, Nature Phys. (2007)



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Local moment formation

Anderson model

P. Coleman, arxiv:0206003 (2002)

$$H = H_{\rm host} + H_{\rm local} + H_{\rm hyb}$$

$$\begin{split} H_{\rm host} &= \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma} \varepsilon_{\vec{k}} \ c^{\dagger}_{\vec{k}\sigma} c_{\vec{k}\sigma} \\ H_{\rm hocal} &= \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_{d} n_{d\sigma} + U n_{d\uparrow} n_{d\downarrow} \\ H_{\rm hyb} &= \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma} V_{\vec{k}} d^{\dagger}_{\sigma} c_{\vec{k}\sigma} + h.c. \end{split}$$



• Atomic limit local moments: $|\varepsilon_d + U/2| < U/2$

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Turning on the hybridization: Hartree mean field

Splitting and broadening of the impurity level:

$$\begin{split} \rho_{d\sigma}(\omega) &= \frac{\Delta}{(\omega - \varepsilon_{d\sigma})^2 + \Delta^2} \\ \varepsilon_{d\sigma} &= \varepsilon_d + U n_{d\bar{\sigma}} \quad \text{Hartree shift} \\ \Delta(\omega) &= \pi \sum_{\vec{k}} |V_{\vec{k}}|^2 \delta(\omega - \varepsilon_{\vec{k}}) \approx \pi V^2 \rho_0 \\ n_{d\sigma} &= \int_{-\infty}^0 d\omega \rho_{d\sigma}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_d + U n_{d\bar{\sigma}}}{\Delta}\right) \end{split}$$

In terms of total charge $n_d=n_{d\uparrow}+n_{d\downarrow}$ and magnetic moment $m=n_{d\uparrow}$ – $n_{d\downarrow}$

$$\begin{split} n_d &= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{\sigma=\pm 1} \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_d + U/2(n_d - \sigma m)}{\Delta} \right) \\ m &= \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{\sigma=\pm 1} \sigma \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\varepsilon_d + U/2(n_d - \sigma m)}{\Delta} \right) \end{split}$$







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Hybridization function in graphene

K. Sengupta, G. Baskarna, PRB, 2008

 C_3 symmetry and spinorial nature of Dirac wave function \rightarrow

• s-wave $V(\vec{k}) = V$ Top-site ad-atom

• p-wave $V(\vec{k}) = (k_x + ik_y)V$ Vacancy, Subsitutional ad-atom, Hollow-site ad-atom

$$\Sigma^{\mathrm{p}}(\omega) = -\frac{\omega\Delta}{\pi t^2} \left[D^2 + \omega^2 \ln\left(\frac{|\omega^2 - D^2|}{\omega^2}\right) + i\pi\omega|\omega|\theta(D - |\omega|) \right]$$
$$\Sigma^{\mathrm{s}}(\omega) = -V^2 \frac{\omega}{D^2} \ln\left(\frac{|\omega^2 - D^2|}{\omega^2}\right) - iV^2 \frac{\pi|\omega|}{D^2} \theta(D - |\omega|)$$



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Local moments in p-wave channel



Local moments in s-wave and p-wave channels.

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- More stable local moments in p-channel.
- Local moments in negative Y in p-channel



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First step beyond Hartree

M. Mashkoori, SAJ, arxiv:1401.1637

$$\langle\langle f_{\sigma} | f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \rangle\rangle = \left[\omega - \varepsilon_{0} - \Sigma^{s, p}(\omega) - \Sigma'(\omega)\right]^{-1}, \quad \Sigma'(\omega) \equiv \frac{U(\omega - \varepsilon_{0})\langle n_{\bar{\sigma}} \rangle}{\omega - \varepsilon_{0} - U(1 - \langle n_{\bar{\sigma}} \rangle)}$$



p-channel offers robust local moments agains quantum fluctuations



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Fluctuations of local moments: Kondo screening

One impurity is not macroscopic
 → Strong fluctuations of the
 moments

$$t_K \leftrightarrow \frac{\hbar}{k_B T_K}$$

- For observation time $t \gg t_K$ or $T \ll T_K$ the average magnetic moment is zero
- "Screening of moments" ↔
 Singlet state between *d*-electron
 conduction electrons
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Variational approach:

$$|\Psi
angle = \sum_{\vec{k}} \mathsf{a}(\vec{k}) \left(d^{\dagger}_{\uparrow} c_{\vec{k}\uparrow} + d^{\dagger}_{\downarrow} c_{\vec{k}\downarrow}
ight) |FS
angle_{N+1}$$

Schrodinger eq.

$$E a(\vec{k}) = \left(E_{FS} + \varepsilon_d - \varepsilon\right)\vec{k} a(\vec{k}) - \frac{3J}{L}\sum_{\vec{q}} a(\vec{q})$$
$$1 = -\frac{3J}{4L}\sum_{\vec{k}} \frac{1}{E - E_{FS} + \varepsilon_{\vec{k}} - \varepsilon_d}$$

Binding energy scale:

$$\Delta E = -\varepsilon_F e^{-\frac{4}{3K\rho_0}} \sim k_B T_K$$

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Strong vs. Weak Coupling

- *T_K* separates hight temperature "magnetic moment" regime from low-temperature "Fermi liquid" regime.
- In low-temperature (strong coupling regime) the only energy scale is T_K
- Universal dependence of transport and thermal quantities on (log) T/T_K

$$\chi(T) \sim \frac{1}{\tau} F(T/T_K)$$
$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_0} \mathcal{G}(T/T_K)$$

A. C. Hewson, "The Kondo problem ..." (1997)



P. Coleman, arxiv:0206003 (2002)





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Anomalous Kondo behavior in graphene





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Tunable Kondo effect in graphene with defects Jian-Hae Chen, Liang Li, William G. Cullen, Ellen D. Williams & Michael S. Fuhrer

Jian-Hao Chen, Liang Li, <u>William G. Cullen</u>, Ellen D. Williams & Michael S. Fuhre Affiliations [|] Contributions [|] Corresponding author

Nature Physics 7, 535-538 (2011) | doi:10.1038/nphys1962



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Modified perturbation theory

M. Potthoff, et al, Phys. Rev. B. (1997)

$$\begin{split} g_{\sigma}^{-1}(\omega) &= g_{0\sigma}^{-1}(\omega) - (\Sigma_{\sigma} + \mu_{x\sigma} - \mu_{\sigma}) \\ \Sigma_{\sigma}^{\text{int}}(\omega) &= U n_{d\bar{\sigma}} + \frac{A_{\sigma} \Sigma_{\sigma}^{(2)}(\omega)}{1 - B_{\sigma} \Sigma_{\sigma}^{(2)}(\omega)} \\ \Sigma_{\sigma}^{(2)}(t) &= -U^2 g_{0\sigma}(t) g_{0\sigma}(t) g_{0\sigma}(-t) \\ A_{\sigma} &= \frac{n_{d\bar{\sigma}}(1 - n_{d\bar{\sigma}})}{n_{0d\bar{\sigma}}(1 - n_{0d\bar{\sigma}})} \\ B &= \frac{(1 - n_{d\bar{\sigma}})U + \mu_{x\sigma} - \mu}{n_{0d\bar{\sigma}}(1 - n_{0d\bar{\sigma}})U^2} \quad \stackrel{\text{fill}}{\stackrel{\text{rest}}{\stackrel{\text{stat}}{\text{stat}}}} \end{split}$$

SAJ, T. Tohyama, unpublished



FIG. 4. (Color online) Local spectral weight for the typical values of V = 0.82, U = 1.74, $\varepsilon_d = -0.53$, $E_F = 0.2$. The black and red lines correspond to Dirac cone and the whole tight-binding band structure for the graphene host. Energies are in units of the hopping amplitude 1. Inset shows the details of the Kondo resonance.

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MPT at $E_F = 0$



FIG. 2. (Color online) The Dirac model pseudogap Anderson model at the symmetric point with $E_F = 0$ and $\varepsilon_d = -U/2$. In the upper panel V = 0.5 is fixed and U is variable, while in the second panel U = 1.0 is fixed and V is variable as indicated in the legend.

SAJ, T. Tohyama, unpublished



FIG. 3. (Color online) Local spectral weight using the Dirac cone model for the graphene host. Energies are in units of the hopping amplitude t. At $E_F = 0$ variations in the parameters does not give rise to Kondo resonance.

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MPT for $F_F \rightarrow 0$



- For s-wave hybridization, a V_{\min} dependent on E_F is needed.
- V_{min} increases by approaching the Dirac node.
- At Dirac node, infinitely large V_{min} is needed to get Kondo.

L. Fritz, M. Vojta, Rep. Prog. Phys. 2013

• How can we understand Kondo resonance in graphene with finite V_{min}?

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Slave rotor mean field

Formulation:

Self-consistency:

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$$\begin{split} & \mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{local}} = \sum_{\sigma} (\varepsilon - \mu) d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} + \frac{U}{2} \left[\sum_{\sigma} d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} - \frac{N}{2} \right]^{2} \\ & \varepsilon = \varepsilon_{d} + U/2, \qquad SU(N) \to SU(2) \\ & d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} = f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} e^{i\theta} \qquad \qquad \text{spinor} \times \text{ rotor} \\ & \hat{L} = \sum_{\sigma} \left[f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} \right] \qquad \text{rotor-spinon constraint} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{V}_{\vec{k}} &= V_{\vec{k}} \langle \cos \theta \rangle_{\theta} \\ \mathcal{K} &= \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma} V_{\vec{k}}^* \langle a_{\vec{k}\sigma} f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \rangle_{f} \\ V_{\vec{k}} &= (k_x + ik_y) \mathcal{V} \qquad \text{p-wave} \\ \langle \hat{L} \rangle_{\theta} &= 2 \left[n_F (\xi - h) - \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ \xi &= h \leftrightarrow L = 0 \leftrightarrow N = 1 \end{split}$$

Decoupling of rotor and spinor parts

$$\begin{split} H_{f} &= (\xi - h) \sum_{\sigma} f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{\sigma} + \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma} \Phi_{\vec{k}} a_{\vec{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} b_{\vec{k}\sigma} + h.c. + \sum_{\vec{k}\sigma} \tilde{V}_{\vec{k}} a_{\vec{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{\sigma} + \tilde{V}_{\vec{k}}^{*} f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} a_{\vec{k}\sigma} - \mu \sum_{\vec{k}} \left(a_{\vec{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} a_{\vec{k}\sigma} + b_{\vec{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} b_{\vec{k}\sigma} \right) \\ H_{\theta} &= \frac{U}{2} \hat{L}^{2} + h \hat{L} + K \cos \theta \qquad h: \text{Lagrange multiplier}, \quad \xi = \varepsilon - \mu \end{split}$$



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Slave rotor equations in p-wave channel

$$\begin{split} & \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{V^2} \frac{4\xi^2 - U^2}{2U} = \sum_{\vec{k}\,\sigma} \tilde{V}_{\vec{k}}^* \left\langle a_{\vec{k}\,\sigma} f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \right\rangle_f \\ & \left\langle \left\langle a_{\vec{k}\,\sigma}^{} | f_{\sigma}^{\dagger} \right\rangle \right\rangle = \frac{\tilde{V}}{v_F} \frac{z\Phi_{\vec{k}}}{z^2 - |\Phi_{\vec{k}}|^2} \frac{1}{z - \mu - \Delta_{\rm p}(z)} \\ & z = \omega + \mu \\ & \Delta_{\rm p}(z) = \frac{\tilde{V}^2}{v_F^2} \sum_{\vec{p}} \frac{z|\Phi_{\vec{p}}|^2}{z^2 - |\Phi_{\vec{p}}|^2} = \\ & - \frac{\pi |\tilde{V}|^2 z}{D^4} \left[D^2 + z^2 \ln \frac{D^2 - z^2}{z^2} \right] - i \frac{\pi^2 |\tilde{V}|^2 z^2 |z|}{D^4} \end{split}$$

SAJ, T. Tohyama, arxiv:1308.4173

p-wave spectral function: $\rho_f(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{cz^2|z|}{(z-b)^2 + c^2 z^6}$ Self-consistency condition: $\frac{4\zeta^2 - u^2}{4v^2 u} = \int_{-D}^{\mu} (z-\mu)\rho_f(z)dz$ $c = \pi^2 \tilde{v}^2/D^2, \quad b - \mu - \Delta_R(b) = 0$ $\tilde{v} = \tilde{V}/D, \quad v = V/D, \quad u = U/D, \quad \zeta = \xi/D$

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Kondo resonance at $\mu = 0$

Spinon spectral density at $\mu = 0$,

$$\rho_f(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{c|z|}{1 + c^2 z^4}, \qquad c = \pi^2 \tilde{v}^2 / D^2$$

- Properly renomralizable at $D \to \infty$.
- Standard deviation determines $T_K^{\text{Diran}} = \sqrt{\pi/2}\tilde{v}D$.
- Same method in normal metals: $T_K^{\text{metal}} = \pi \tilde{v}^2 D$ S. Florens, et al, PRB (2004)
- $T_{K}^{\text{metal}}/T_{K}^{\text{Dirac}} \sim \tilde{v} \ll 1 \rightarrow$ Under comparable conditions, a host of Dirac fermions gives rise to larger Kondo temperature than metals
- Self-consistency at µ = 0 can be handled analytically:

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To have a solution for v (hence for T_K ~ vD):

$$-\frac{1}{3} < \frac{4\zeta^2 - u^2}{2uv^2} < 0 \Rightarrow v^2 \ge \frac{3}{2} \frac{u^2 - 4\zeta^2}{u}.$$
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• The requirement for non-zero T_K at $\mu = 0$:

$$|V_{\min}| = -6\varepsilon_d D \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon_d}{U}\right)$$

• For vacancies $\varepsilon_d \sim 10 \text{ meV} \rightarrow V_{\min} \sim 0.5 \text{ eV}$

$$\frac{4\zeta^2 - u^2}{2uv^2} = \int_{-D}^0 z\rho_f(z)dz = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{8\pi^3\tilde{v}^3} \times \left[\ln\frac{(\pi\tilde{v})^2 - \sqrt{2}\pi\tilde{v} + 1}{(\pi\tilde{v})^2 + \sqrt{2}\pi\tilde{v} + 1} - 2\tan^{-1}(1 - \sqrt{2}\pi\tilde{v}) + 2\tan^{-1}(1 + \sqrt{2}\pi\tilde{v}) \right]$$



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Doping away from Dirac point

$$\begin{split} &\frac{4\zeta^2 - u^2}{4v^2 u} = \frac{\pi}{D^3} \sum_{m=\pm 1} \frac{z_m^3(z_m - \mu)}{2(z_m - \mu) + 6c^2 z_m^5} \int_{-D}^{\mu} \frac{sgn(z)dz}{z - z_m} \\ &z_m \approx \mu + icm\mu^3 \text{ with } m = \pm 1, \end{split}$$

• The Kondo temperature for small $\mu = \tilde{\mu}D$:

$$\begin{split} & \frac{T_{K}}{D} \sim \pi \tilde{\mathbf{v}} = \left| \tilde{\mu} \right|^{\mathbf{x}} \pm \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\pi |\tilde{\mu}|^{3}} \frac{u^{2} - 4\zeta^{2}}{4v^{2}u} \right] \\ & \mathbf{x}_{\pm} = \textit{sign}(\mu)/2 - 1, \end{split} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{electron-hole asymmetry} \end{split}$$

 for non-zero doping, smallest value of V can lead to Kondo screening.

Conclusions:

Kondo screening in 2D Dirac host (graphene) with p-wave hybridization:

- For non-zero doping, smallest value of V gives Kondo screening.
- For $\mu = 0$, $V_{\min} = -6\varepsilon_d D(1 + \varepsilon_d/U)$ is required.
- Boron and Nitrogen subsitution in graphene is expected to give reasonably small V_{\min}

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