

Energy, momentum, and angular momentum transfers mediated by photons

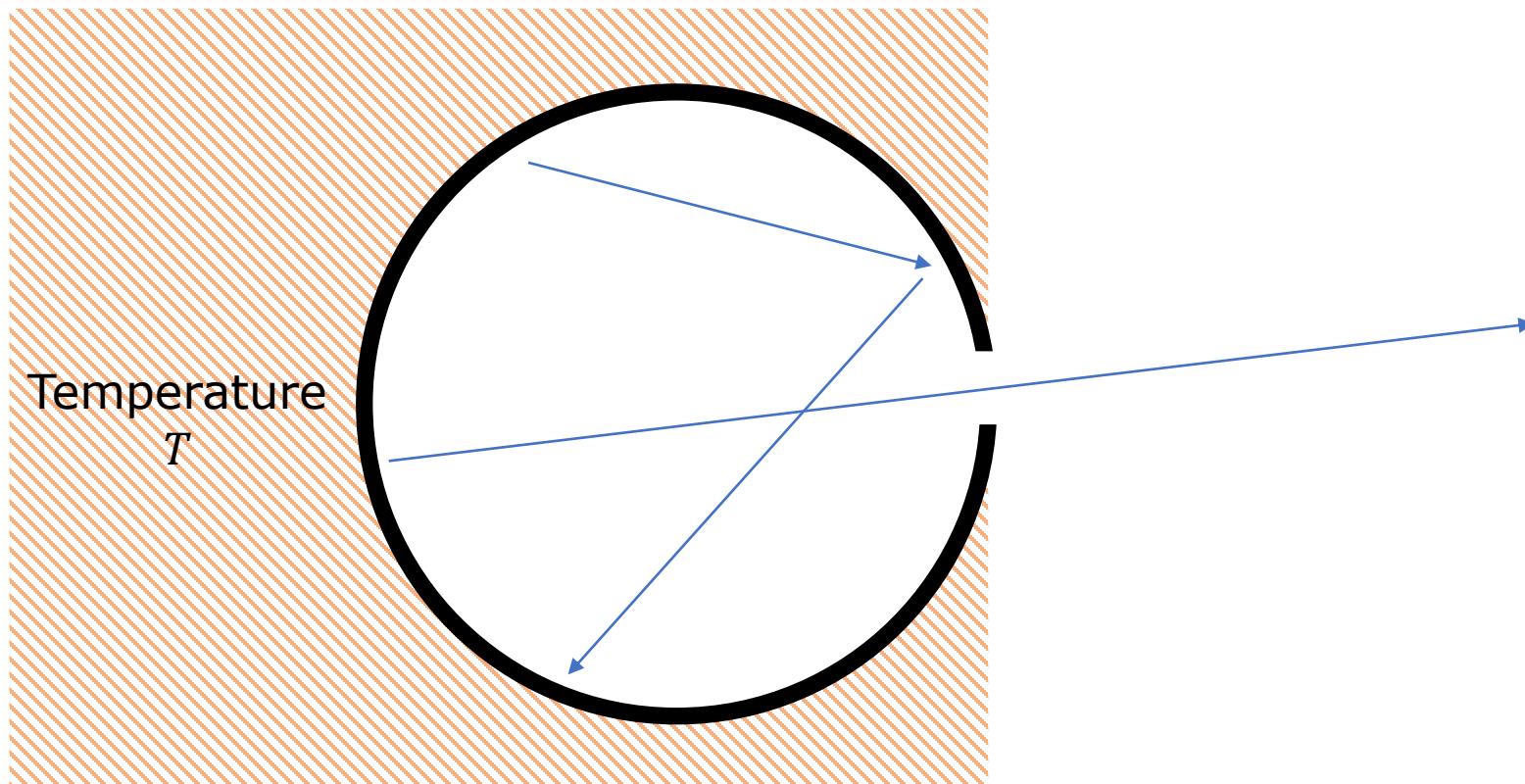
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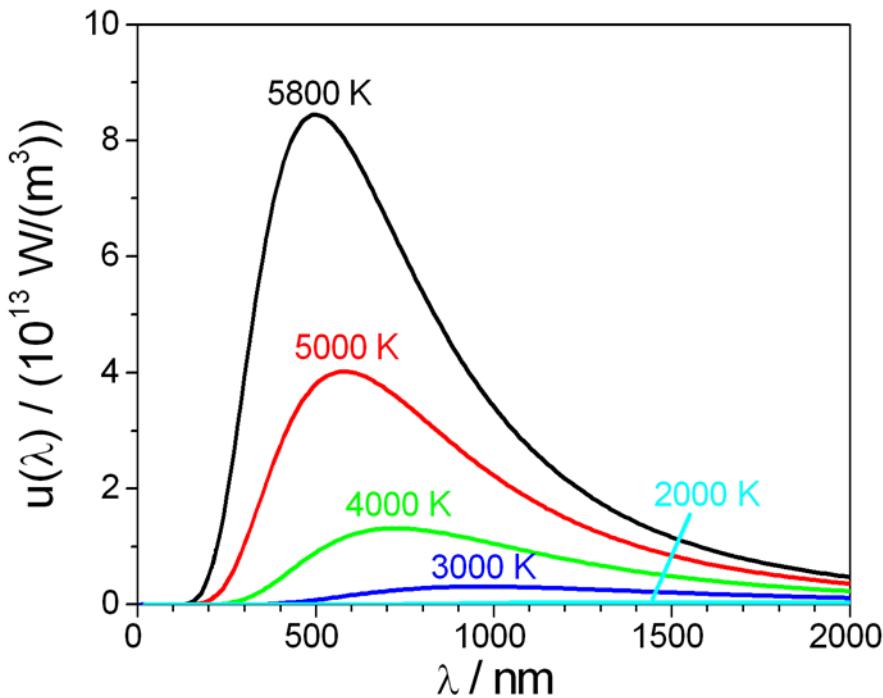
Outline

- Radiative (heat & momentum) transfer, experimental background
- NEGF theory of energy, momentum, and angular momentum transfer
 - $N + 1$ objects, bath at infinity
 - Meir-Wingreen/Landauer formula
 - Zero-point motion, when it contributes?
- Applications
 - Near-field heat transfer between graphene objects
 - Angular momentum emission from current-driven benzene molecule
 - Nonreciprocity, graphene edge effect

Blackbody radiation



Experimental background, blackbody radiation



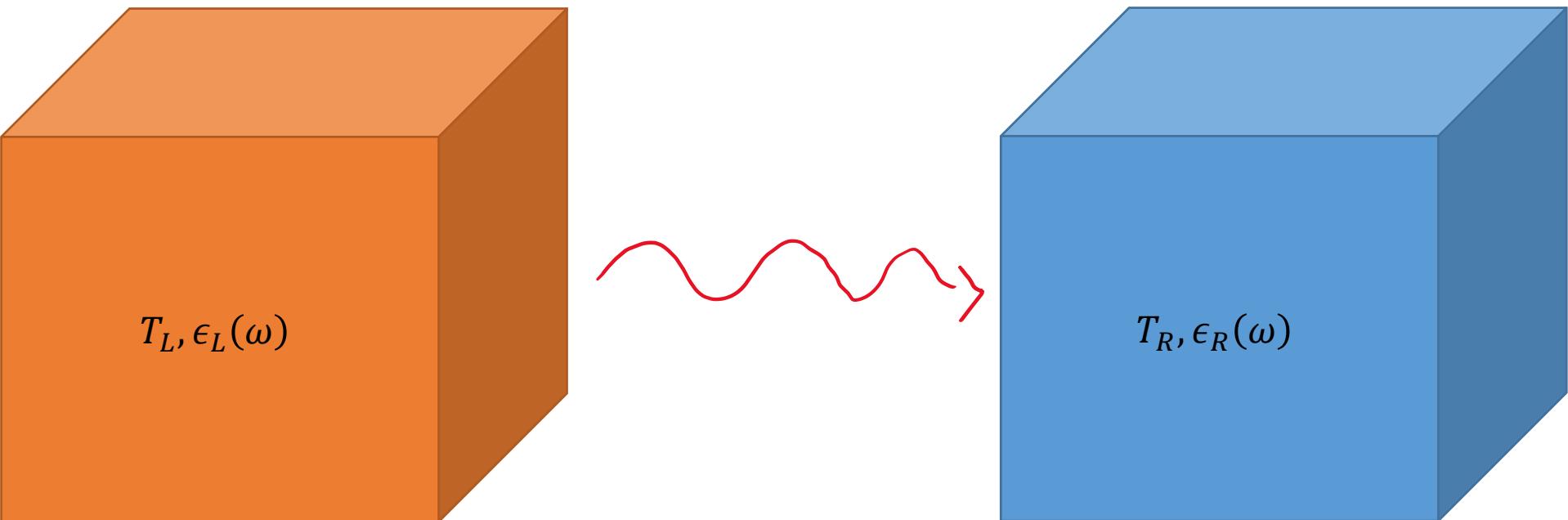
Stefan-Boltzmann law:

$$\langle S \rangle = \sigma T^4$$

Poynting vector

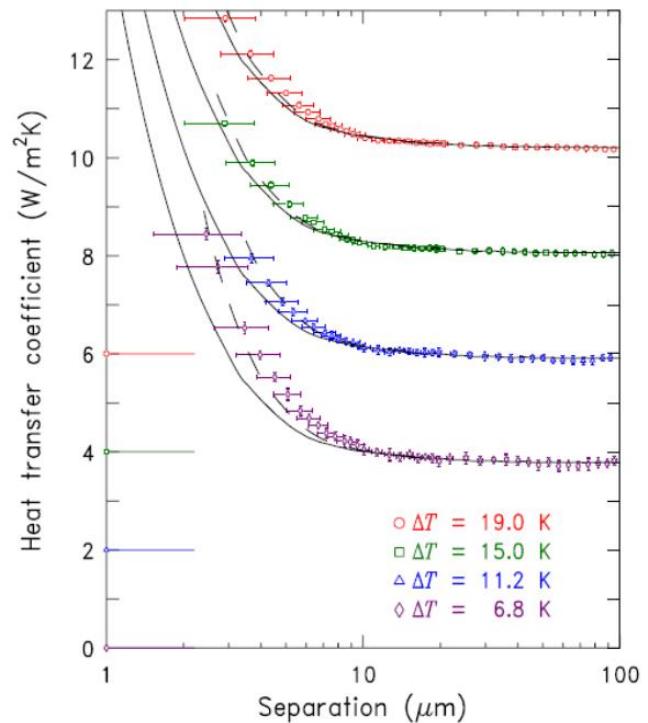
$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$$

Heat transfer between (grey) bodies



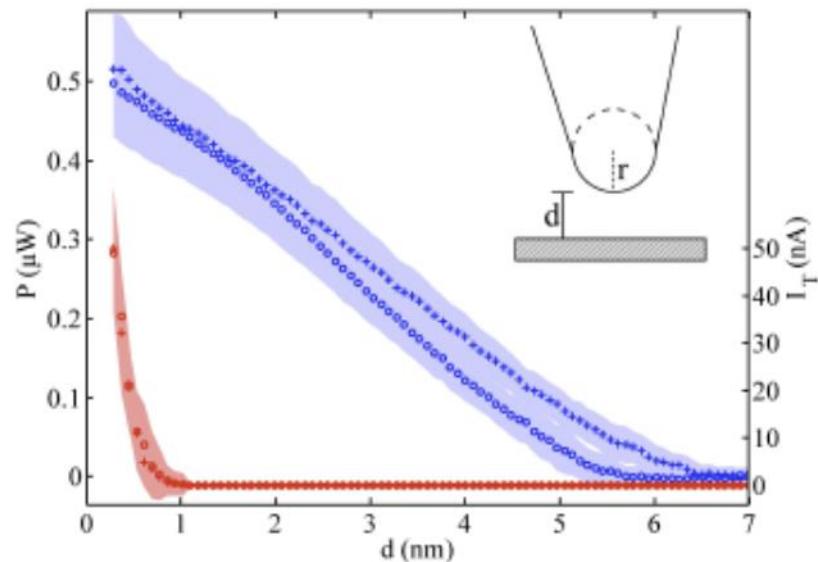
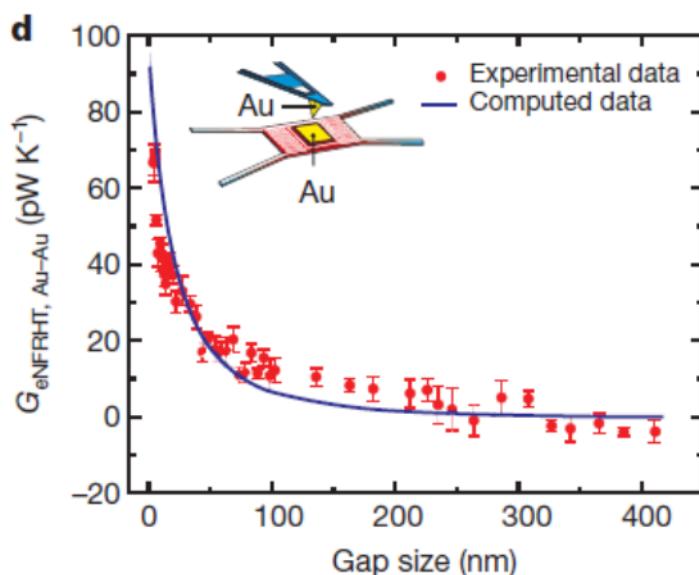
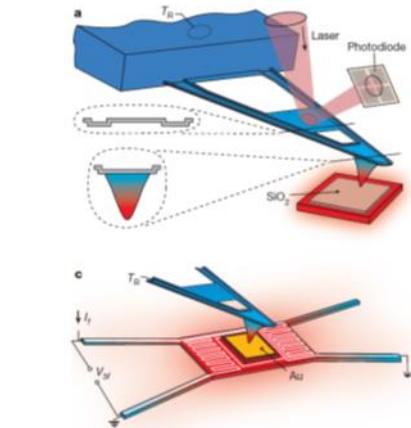
Polder & van Hove problem (1971)

Near-field heat transfer



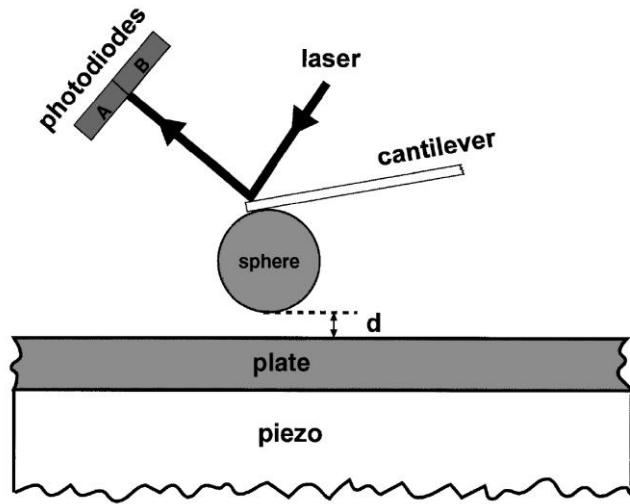
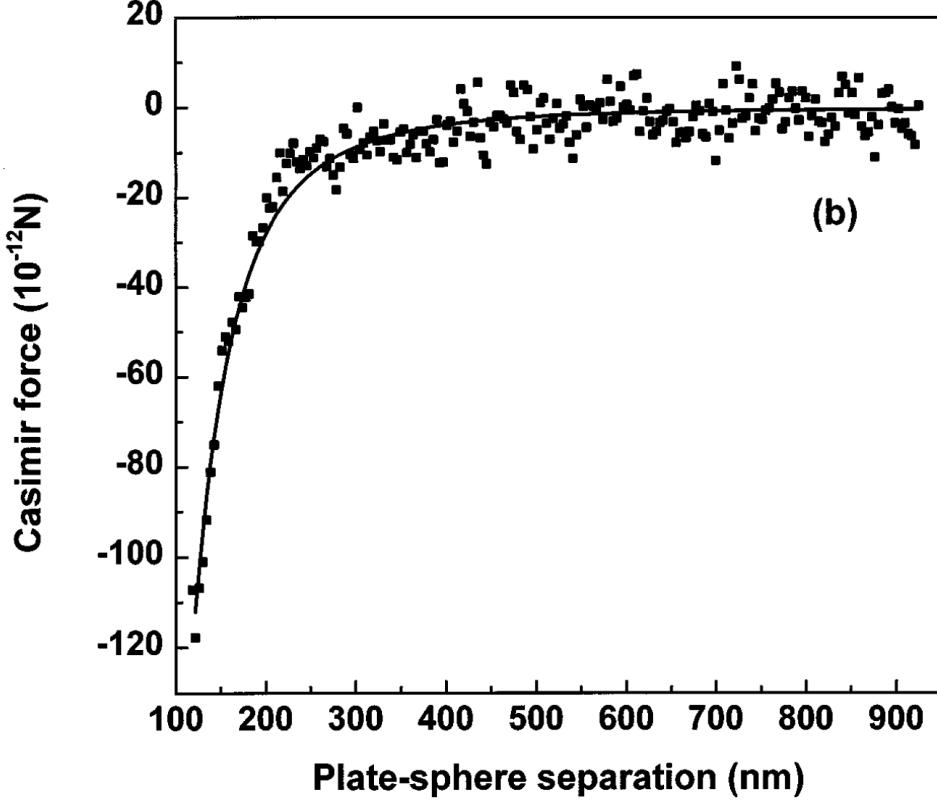
↑ Ottens, et al PRL (2011).

→ Kim et al, Nature (2015).



↑ Kloppstech, et al, Nature Comm (2017).

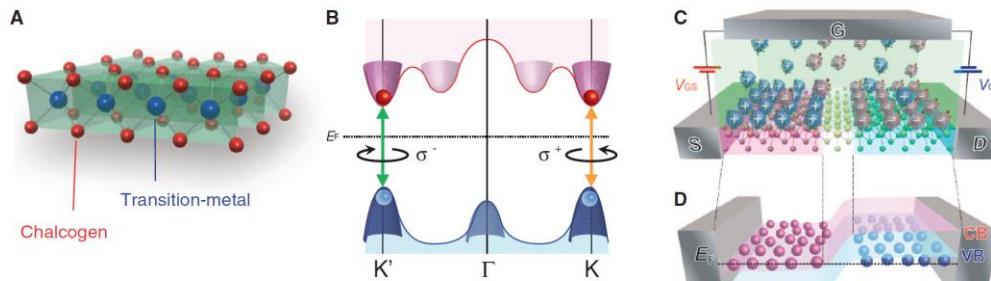
(Casimir) force



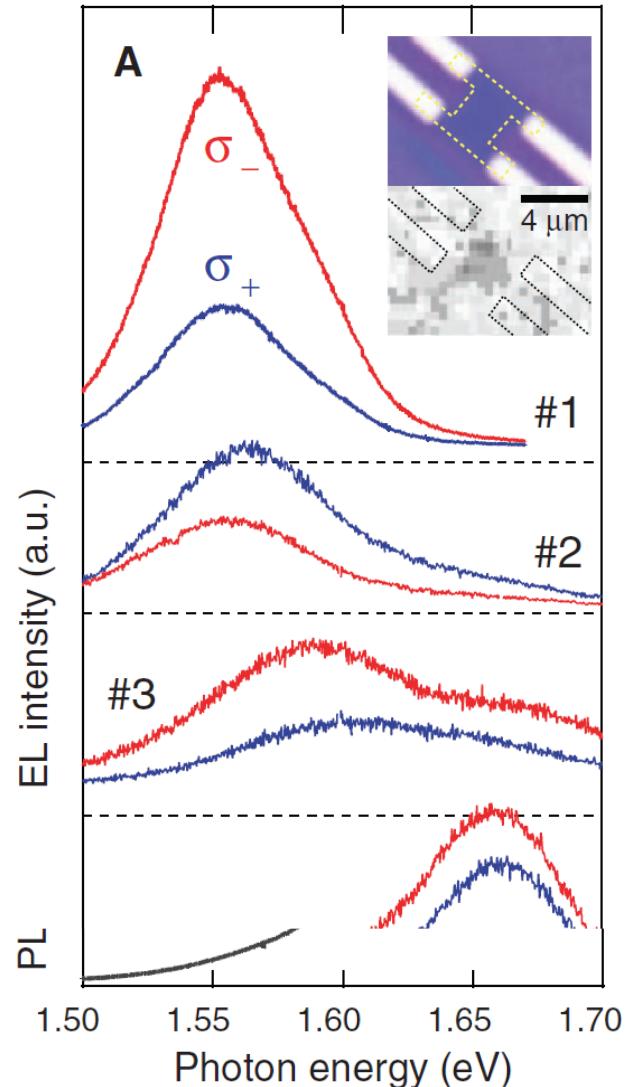
Casimir force in plate-sphere geometry, from Mohideen and Roy, PRL (1998).

$$F \approx -\frac{\pi^3 R \hbar c}{360 d^3}$$

Angular momentum emission



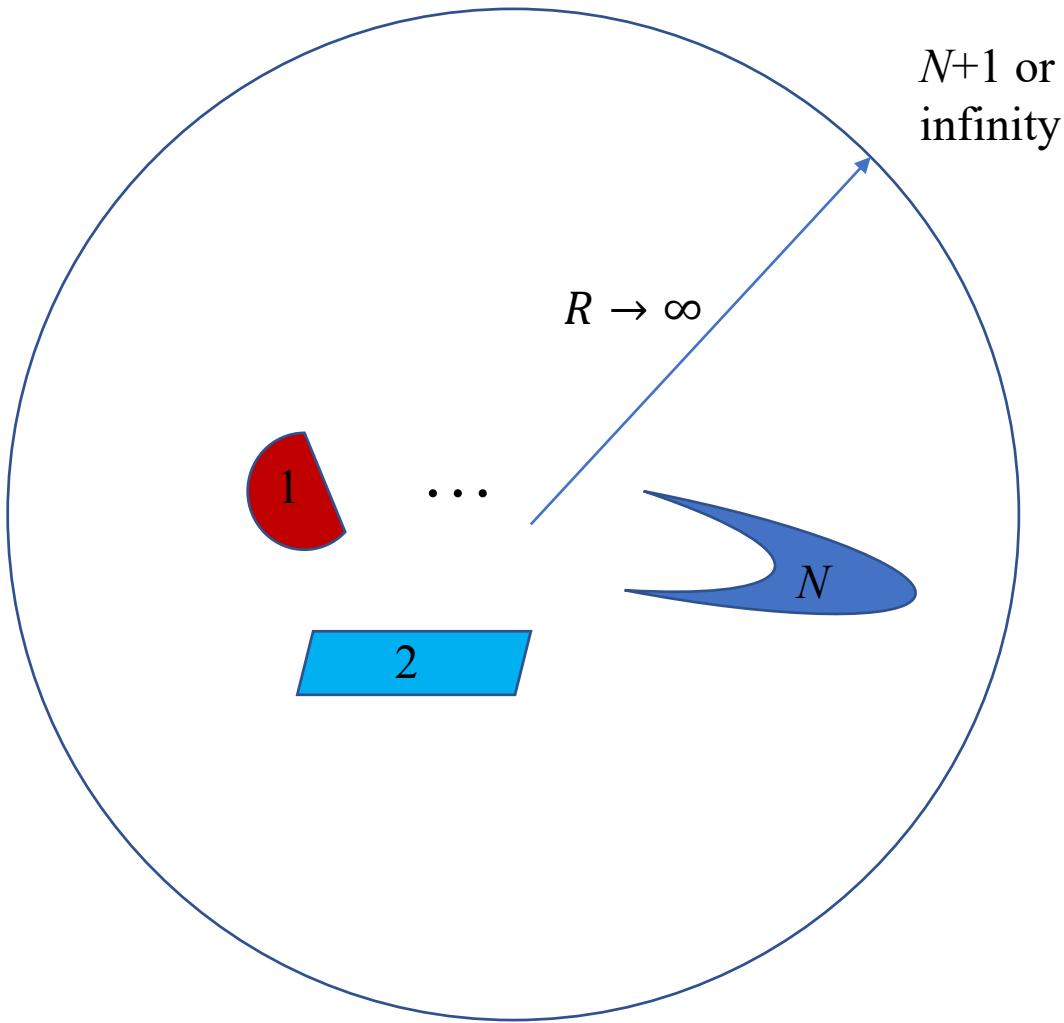
2D semiconductor junction made of WSe_2 that can emit polarized light. From Y. J. Zhang, et al., Science 344, 725 (2014).



Nonequilibrium Green's function (NEGF) theory

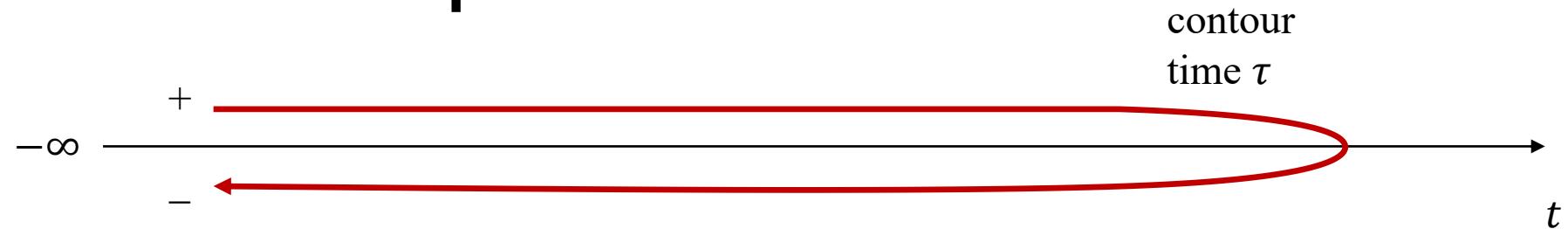
<https://phyweb.physics.nus.edu.sg/~phywjs/NEGF/review-2022.pdf>

System setup



Question: what are the energy emitted, force and torque applied to, for each of the object 1 to $N+1$.

NEGF preliminaries



$$D_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{r}, \tau; \mathbf{r}', \tau') = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle T_\tau A_\mu(\mathbf{r}, \tau) A_\nu(\mathbf{r}', \tau') \rangle \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} D^t & D^< \\ D^> & D^{\bar{t}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\tau = (t, \pm) \quad \mathbf{A} \rightarrow A_\mu, \quad \mu = x, y, z$$

$$D^r = D^t - D^<$$

$$D^t + D^{\bar{t}} = D^> + D^< = D^K, \quad D^> - D^< = D^r - D^a, \quad D^t - D^{\bar{t}} = G^r + G^a$$

$$D = v + v \Pi D \rightarrow \begin{cases} D^< = D^r (\Pi^< + \Pi_\infty^<) D^a \\ D^r = v^r + v^r \Pi^r D^r \end{cases} \quad v^{-1} = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} U + c^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \right)$$

$$\text{In equilibrium: } D^< = N(\omega) (D^r - D^a), \quad N(\omega) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta \hbar \omega} - 1}$$

NEGF definitions

$$D_{\mu\nu}^>(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \left\langle A_\mu(\mathbf{r}, t) A_\nu(\mathbf{r}', t') \right\rangle$$

$$D_{\mu\nu}^<(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{r}', t') = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \left\langle A_\nu(\mathbf{r}', t') A_\mu(\mathbf{r}, t) \right\rangle$$

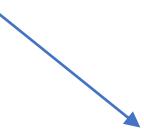
$$D^r = \theta(t - t') (D^> - D^<)$$

$$D^> + D^< = D^K, \quad D^> - D^< = D^r - D^a = -iA$$

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \rightarrow A_\mu, \quad \mu = x, y, z$$

$$\langle \dots \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \cdots)$$



Fluctuation-dissipation theorem in thermal equilibrium

$$D^< = N(D^r - D^a), \quad D^> = (N+1)(D^r - D^a)$$

$$D^a = (D^r)^\dagger$$

$$N = \frac{1}{e^{\beta\hbar\omega} - 1}$$

$$D^< \rightarrow D_{\mu\nu}^<(\omega; \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}')$$

$$(D^<)^\dagger = -D^<$$

Dyson equations

$$D = v + v \Pi D \rightarrow \begin{cases} D^< = D^r (\Pi^< + \Pi_\infty^<) D^a \\ D^r = v^r + v^r \Pi^r D^r \end{cases} \quad v^{-1} = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} U + c^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \right)$$

$$-\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} U + c^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \right) D^r(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; t - t') = U \delta(t - t') \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') + \int d^3 \mathbf{r}'' \int dt'' \Pi^r(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'', t - t'') D^r(\mathbf{r}'', \mathbf{r}', t'' - t')$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{j} = -\Pi^r \mathbf{A}$$

Keldysh equation

$$D = v + v \Pi D \rightarrow \begin{cases} D^< = D^r (\Pi^< + \Pi_\infty^<) D^a \\ D^r = v^r + v^r \Pi^r D^r \end{cases}$$

$$v^{-1} = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} U + c^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} D^< &= v^< + v^r \Pi^r D^< + v^r \Pi^< D^a + v^< \Pi^a D^a \\ &= D^r \Pi^< D^a + (I + D^r \Pi^r) v^< (I + \Pi^a D^a) \\ &= D^r \left(\Pi^< + N_\infty \left((-v^r)^{-1} + (v^a)^{-1} \right) \right) D^a \end{aligned}$$

environment: $v^< = N_\infty (v^r - v^a)$

$$\Pi_\infty^r = (-v^r)^{-1}$$

$\varphi = 0$ gauge, fundamental equation for vector potential \mathbf{A}

$$\nu^{-1} \mathbf{A} = -\epsilon_0 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + c^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \right) \mathbf{A} = -\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = -\nu \mathbf{j}, \quad \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \quad \text{dyadic Green's function } \tilde{\mathbf{G}} = -\nu / \mu_0$$

Quantization:

$$[A_\mu(\mathbf{r}), E_\nu(\mathbf{r}')]=-\frac{i\hbar}{\epsilon_0}\delta_{\mu\nu}\delta(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')$$

Complication in $\varphi = 0$ gauge

- Gauss's law not reflected in the equation of motion
- States need to be selected such that

$$\left(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} - \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} \right) |\Psi\rangle = 0$$

Poynting theorem, steady state average

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S} = -\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j}$$
$$u = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B}^2 \right)$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right\rangle = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle u \rangle = 0$$
$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}$$

$$\text{so } \langle \nabla \cdot \mathbf{S} \rangle = -\langle \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j} \rangle \quad \text{or} \quad \oint d\mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle = - \int dV \langle \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j} \rangle$$

Momentum and angular momentum conservation

$$-\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{\mathbf{T}} = \rho \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{f}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{T}} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} \mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{B} - u \mathbf{U}$$

angular momentum density

$$\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{S} / c^2 = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{r} \times (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B})$$

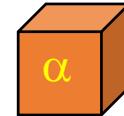
$$-\frac{\partial \mathbf{l}}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot (\vec{\mathbf{T}} \times \mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{f}$$

From surface integral to volume integral

$$I_\alpha = \int d\mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}) \frac{1}{\mu_0} = - \int dV \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j} = \int dV \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \cdot \mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_\alpha = \int d\mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{T} = \int dV \mathbf{f} = \int dV \sum_\nu (\nabla A_\nu) j_\nu$$

$$\mathbf{N}_\alpha = \int \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{T} \cdot d\mathbf{\Sigma} = \int dV \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{f} = \int dV \left(\sum_\nu (\mathbf{r} \times \nabla A_\nu) j_\nu + \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{A} \right)$$



$$\mathbf{f} = \rho \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} \mathbf{E} + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{B} - u \mathbf{U}, \quad u = \frac{1}{2} \left(\epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_0} \mathbf{B}^2 \right)$$

A-j correlation function

$$F_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}\tau; \mathbf{r}'\tau') = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \left\langle T_{\tau} A_{\mu}(\mathbf{r}, \tau) j_{\nu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}', \tau') \right\rangle$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} F^{\alpha} = -D\Pi \rightarrow \sum_{\lambda} \int d^3\mathbf{r}'' \int d\tau'' D_{\mu\lambda}(\mathbf{r}\tau; \mathbf{r}''\tau'') \Pi_{\lambda\nu}(\mathbf{r}''\tau''; \mathbf{r}'\tau')$$

Assuming additivity: $\Pi \approx \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \Pi^{\alpha}$, then $F^{\alpha} = -D\Pi^{\alpha}$

In frequency domain, using Langreth rule, we have:

$$F^K = F^> + F^< = -(D\Pi)^K = -D^r \Pi^K - D^K \Pi^a$$

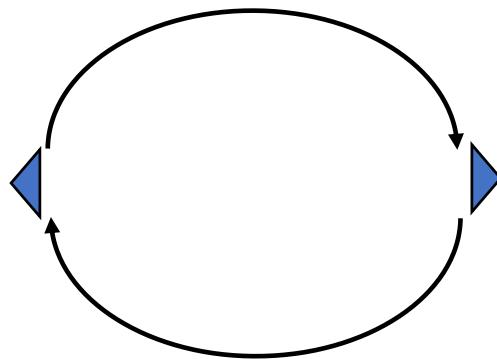
Hamiltonian, electron-photon system, temporal gauge

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \int dV \left[\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \right)^2 + c^2 (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})^2 \right] \\ + \sum_{j,l} c_j^\dagger H_{jl} c_l \exp \left(-i \frac{e}{\hbar} \int_l \mathbf{A} \cdot d\mathbf{r} \right)$$

electron charge is $-e$

Self energy Π

RPA



$$H = H_0 + H_{\text{int}}$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = - \int dV \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{j} = \sum_{jkl\mu} c_j^\dagger M_{jk}^{l\mu} c_k A_\mu(\mathbf{r}_l)$$

$$D = v + v\Pi D$$

$$\Pi_{l\mu, l'\nu}(\tau, \tau') = -i\hbar \text{Tr}_e \left(M^{l\mu} G(\tau, \tau') M^{l'\nu} G(\tau', \tau) \right)$$

Aslamazov-Larkin diagram
(superconductivity, Coulomb drag)



$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi^r &= \omega^2 \epsilon_0 (1 - \epsilon) \\ &= -i\omega\sigma \end{aligned}$$

Operator order: normal or symmetric order?

$A^\dagger = A, B^\dagger = B$, but $\langle AB \rangle$ is not a real number

Two choices: $\frac{1}{2} \langle AB + BA \rangle$ or normal order $\langle :AB:\rangle$

$$\frac{1}{2} \langle AB + BA \rangle = \text{Re } i\hbar \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} G_{AB}^K(\omega)$$

$$G_{AB}(\tau, \tau') = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle A(\tau)B(\tau') \rangle \quad G^K = G^> + G^<$$

Meir-Wingreen formula

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_\alpha \\ \mathbf{F}_\alpha \\ \mathbf{N}_\alpha \end{pmatrix} = - \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\begin{pmatrix} -\hbar\omega \\ \hat{\mathbf{p}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{J}} \end{pmatrix} F_\alpha^K(\omega) \right], \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \dots, N, N+1$$

$$-F_\alpha^K = D^r \Pi_\alpha^K + D^K \Pi_\alpha^a \qquad \qquad F_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla, \quad \hat{\mathbf{J}} = \mathbf{r} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \hat{\mathbf{S}}, \quad S_{\nu\lambda}^\mu = (-i\hbar) \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda}$$

Bath at infinity

Eckhardt, PRA 29, 1991 (1984)

$$\Pi_{\infty}^r = -(\nu^r)^{-1}$$

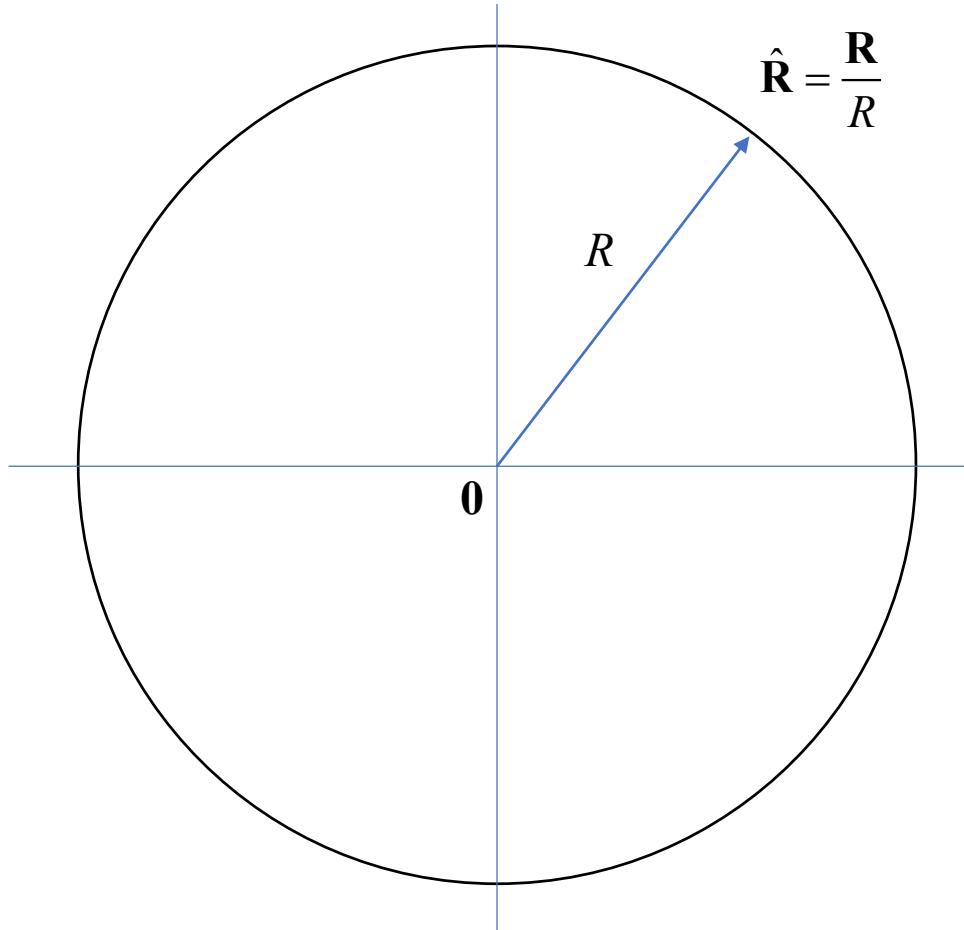
Krüger, et al, PRB 86, 115423
(2012)

$$\Pi_{\infty}^r = -i\varepsilon_0 c \omega (\mathbf{U} - \hat{\mathbf{R}} \hat{\mathbf{R}})$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{\mathbf{R}}{R}$$

Recover blackbody Planck result

$$\Pi_{\infty}^r = -i\varepsilon_0 c \omega (\mathbf{U} - \hat{\mathbf{R}} \hat{\mathbf{R}})$$



$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{\mathbf{R}}{R}$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2} \left(\varepsilon_0 \mathbf{E}^2 + \frac{\mathbf{B}^2}{\mu_0} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u(\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{0}) \rangle &= \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} i\hbar \text{Tr}_\mu \left[\varepsilon_0 \omega^2 D^< - \frac{1}{\mu_0} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \times D^< \times \nabla_{\mathbf{r}'} \right]_{\mathbf{r}=\mathbf{r}'=0} \\ &= \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\omega^2}{\pi^2 c^3} \hbar \omega N(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

$$D^< = D^r \Pi_{\infty}^< D^a, \quad \Pi_{\infty}^< = N(\omega) (\Pi_{\infty}^r - \Pi_{\infty}^a)$$

$$D^r \approx -\frac{e^{i\frac{\omega}{c}R}}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 c^2 R} (\mathbf{U} - \hat{\mathbf{R}} \hat{\mathbf{R}})$$

From Meir-Wingreen to Landauer: local equilibrium approximation

$$-F_\alpha^K = D^r \Pi_\alpha^K + D^K \Pi_\alpha^a$$

$$\Pi_\alpha^K = -i(2N_\alpha + 1)\Gamma_\alpha$$

$$\Gamma_\alpha = i(\Pi_\alpha^r - \Pi_\alpha^a)$$

$$D^K = D^r \sum_{\beta=1}^{N+1} \Pi_\beta^K D^a$$

No Landauer
form for force
and torque!

$$I_\alpha = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \hbar\omega \sum_{\beta=1}^{N+1} (N_\alpha - N_\beta) \text{Tr}(D^r \Gamma_\beta D^a \Gamma_\alpha)$$

When zero-point-motion contribution is cancelled?

temperature $T \rightarrow 0$

$N \rightarrow 0$ when $\omega > 0$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \text{Tr} \left[\hat{O} \left(D^r (\Pi_\alpha^r - \Pi_\alpha^a) + D^r \sum_{\beta=1}^{N+1} (\Pi_\beta^r - \Pi_\beta^a) D^a \Pi_\alpha^a \right) \right] = 0 ?$$

$$\hat{O} = -\hbar\omega \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{\mathbf{p}} \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{\mathbf{J}}$$

Emission to infinity

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_\infty \\ \mathbf{F}_\infty \\ \mathbf{N}_\infty \end{pmatrix} = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\begin{pmatrix} -\hbar\omega \\ \hat{\mathbf{p}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{J}} \end{pmatrix} D^r \Pi^< D^a \Pi_\infty^a \right]$$

$$\Pi_\infty^a = i\omega\epsilon_0 c \left(\mathbf{U} - \hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{R}} \right)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla, \quad \hat{\mathbf{J}} = \mathbf{r} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \hat{\mathbf{S}}, \quad S_{\nu\lambda}^\mu = (-i\hbar) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda}$$

Far field approximations

- Ignore screening or multiple reflection: $D^r \approx v^r$
- Multiple expansion: $D^r(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = D^r(\mathbf{R}, 0) - \mathbf{r} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} D^r(\mathbf{R}, 0) + \dots$
- Integrating over solid angle analytically, eigenmode representation for Π^r

$$-I_\infty = \frac{4\alpha}{3\hbar c^2} \sum_{\mu, n, n'} (\varepsilon_n - \varepsilon_{n'})^2 \theta(\varepsilon_n - \varepsilon_{n'}) \left| \langle n | V^\mu | n' \rangle \right|^2 f_n (1 - f_{n'})$$



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Fermi golden rule

Torque and force on object

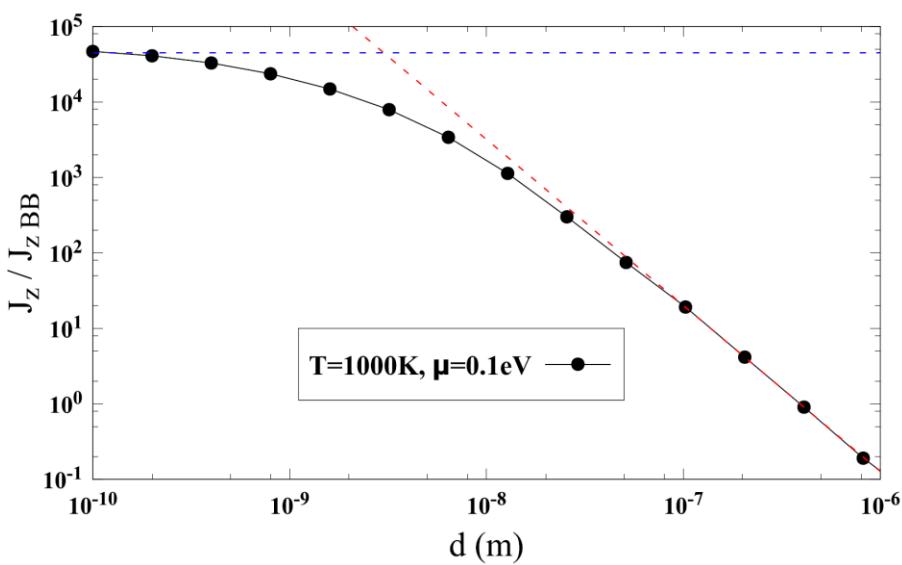
$$N_\infty^\mu = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\hbar\omega}{6\pi^2 \epsilon_0 c^3} \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \epsilon_{\mu\alpha\beta} \Pi_{\beta\alpha}^<, \quad \mu = x, y, z$$

$$F_\infty^\mu = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\hbar\omega^3}{60\pi^2 \epsilon_0 c^5} \sum_{l,l',\alpha} \left[4\Pi_{l\alpha,l'\alpha}^< \left(r_\mu^l - r_\mu^{l'} \right) - \left(r_\alpha^l - r_\alpha^{l'} \right) \Pi_{l\alpha,l'\mu}^< - \Pi_{l\mu,l'\alpha}^< \left(r_\alpha^l - r_\alpha^{l'} \right) \right]$$

Force is zero if system is reciprocal, i.e., if $(\Pi^<)^T = \Pi^<$

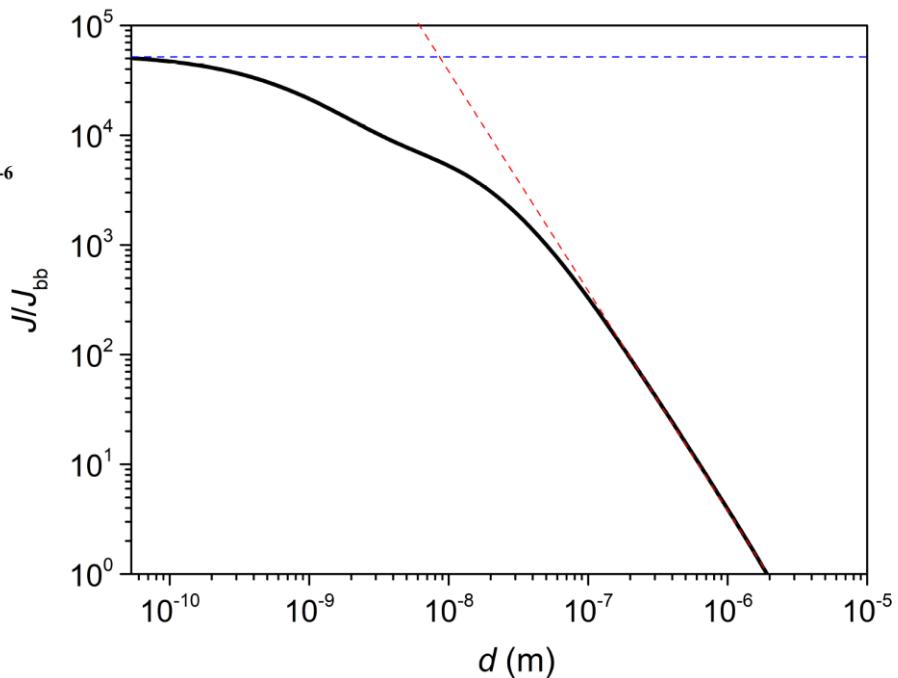
Applications

Heat transfer between two graphene sheets

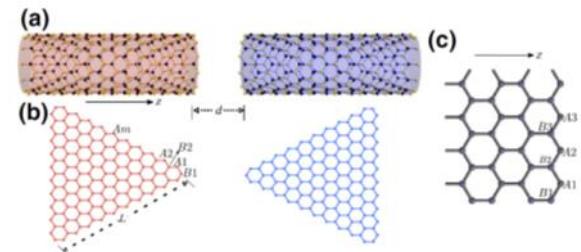
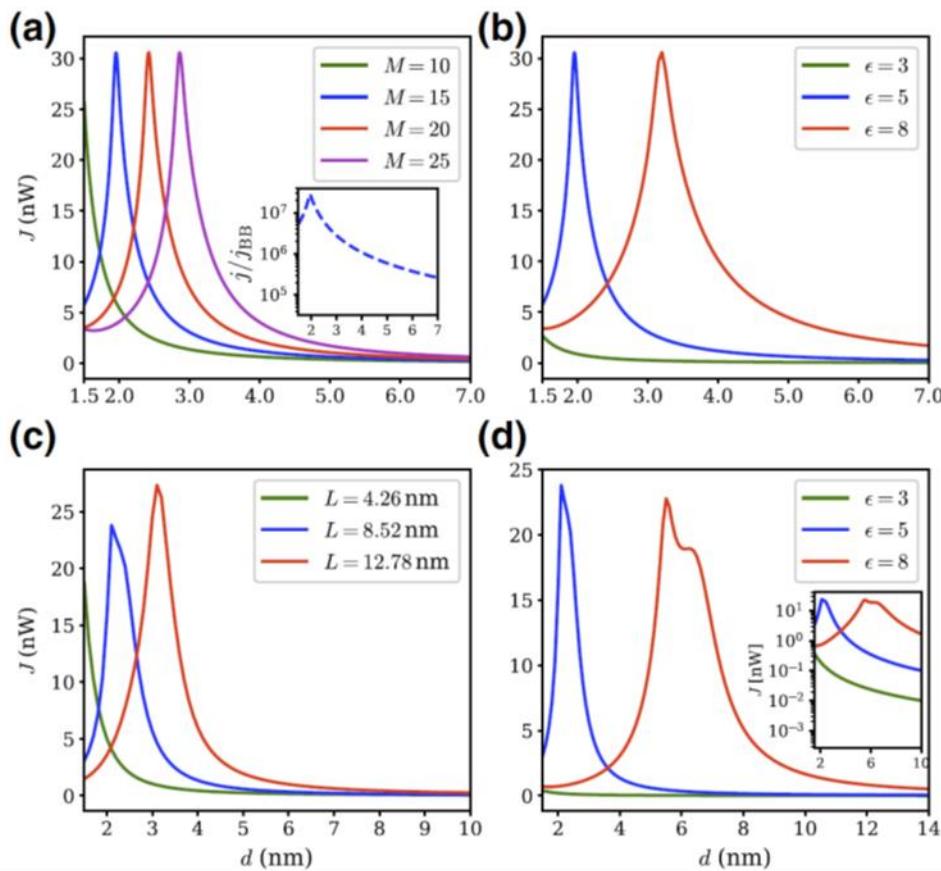


↑ Heat transfer ratio based on electron tight-binding model with nearest neighbor hopping $t = 2.8$ eV, between 300 K and 1000 K sheets at chemical potential $\mu = 0.1$ eV. Slope ≈ 2.2 . Jiang & Wang, PRB 96, 155437 (2017).

↓ First principles QE/BerkeleyGW calculation for the ratio of energy transfer to blackbody value between two graphene sheets at temperatures 300 K and 1000 K, $\eta = 0.05$ eV, electron chemical potential at Dirac point. Zhu & Wang, PRB 104, L121409 (2021).

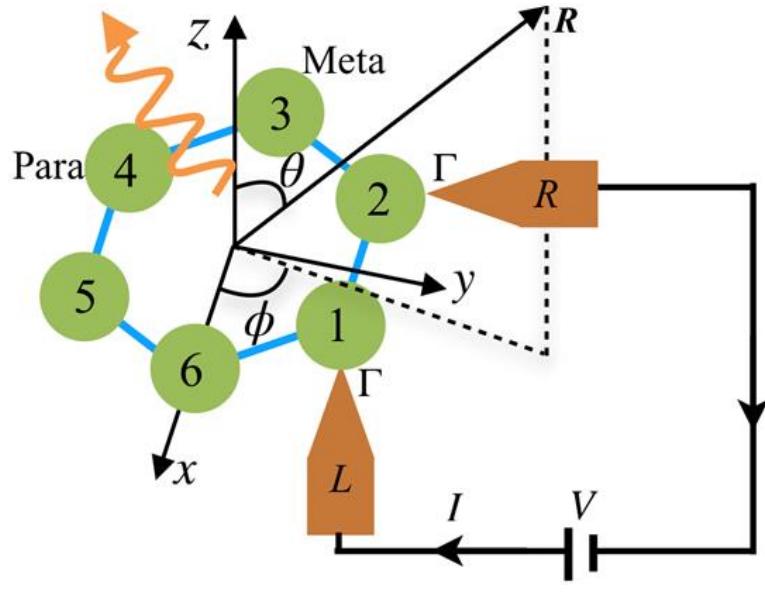


Heat transfer between zigzag nanotubes or triangles



Heat transfer from 400K to 300K objects. (a), (b) zigzag carbon nanotubes. (c), (d) nano-triangles. d : gap distance, M : nanotube circumference, L : triangle length. ϵ : dielectric constant. From Tang, Yap, Ren, and Wang, Phys. Rev. Appl. 11, 031004 (2019).

Angular momentum emission from a benzene molecule



$$P = - \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\hbar\omega^2}{6\pi^2\epsilon_0 c^3} \text{Im} \sum_{l,l',\mu} \Pi_{l\mu,l'\mu}^<(\omega)$$

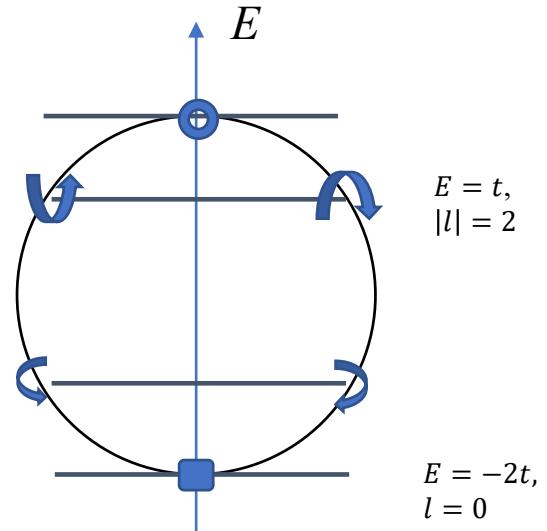
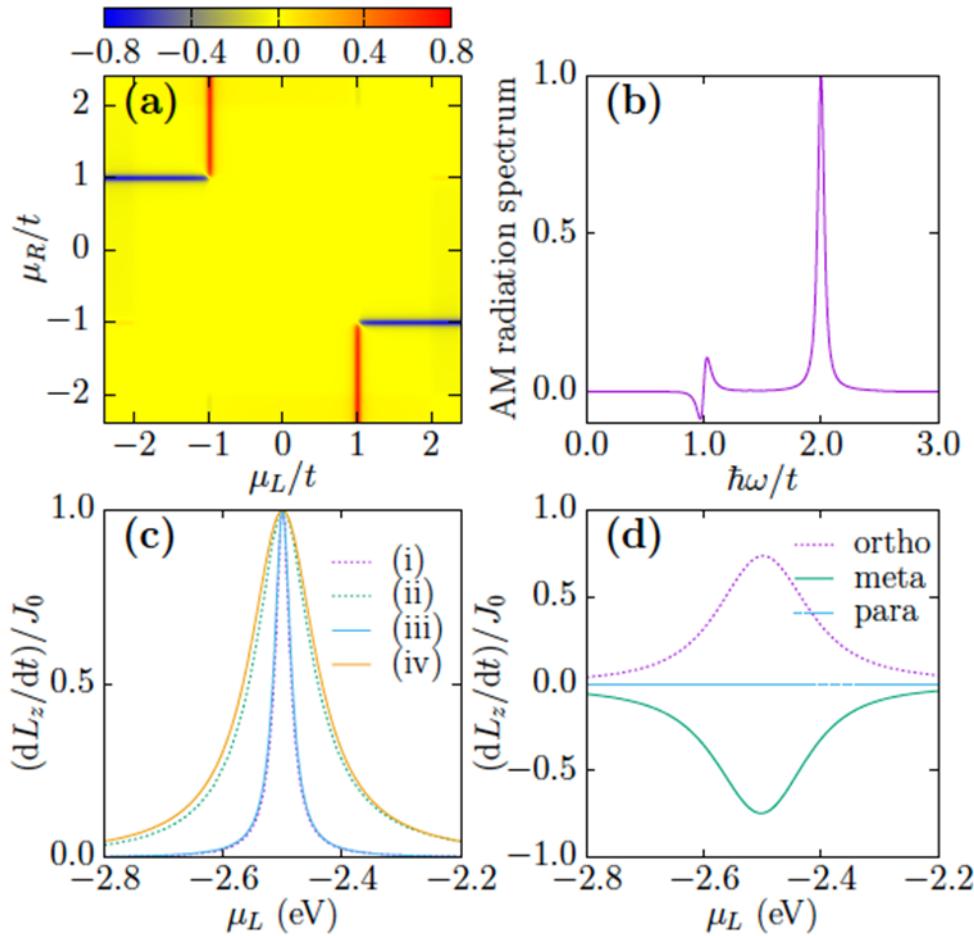
$$-N^z = \frac{dL^z}{dt} = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\hbar\omega}{6\pi^2\epsilon_0 c^3} \sum_{l,l'} \left(\Pi_{lx,l'y}^<(\omega) - \Pi_{ly,l'x}^<(\omega) \right)$$

$$\Pi_{l\mu,l'\nu}^<(\omega) = -i \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dE}{2\pi} \text{Tr} \left[M^{l\mu} G^<(E) M^{l'\nu} G^>(E - \hbar\omega) \right]$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = \sum_{l,\mu,j,k} c_j^\dagger M_{jk}^{l\mu} c_k A_\mu(\mathbf{r}_l)$$

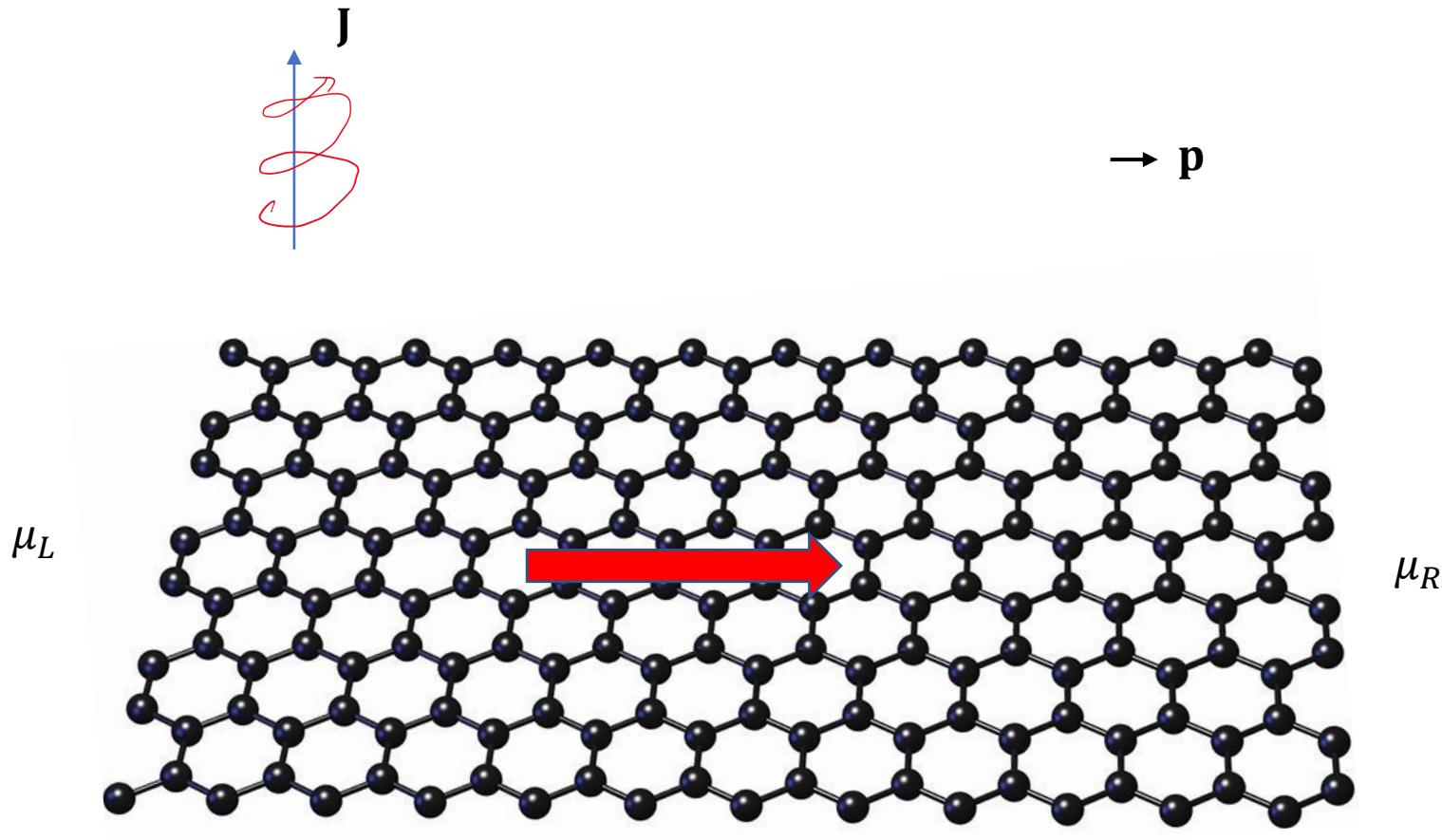
Far field monopole approximation (all atoms are at the origin), ignore screening/multiple scatterings.

Angular momentum emission resonance effect

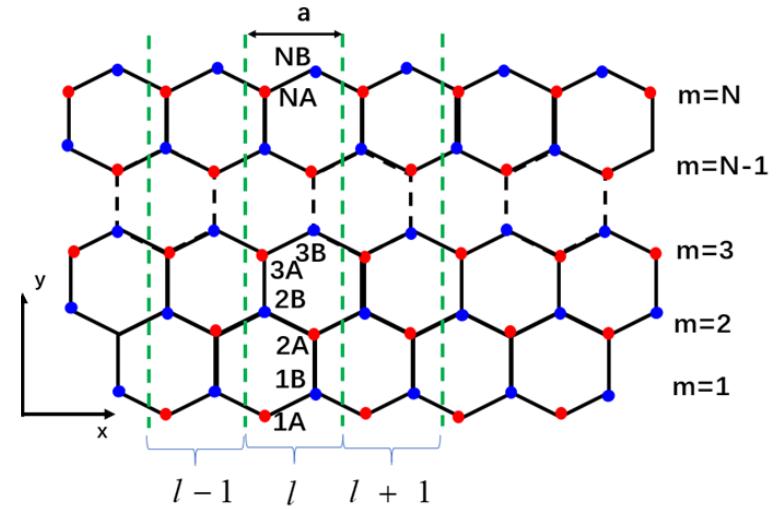
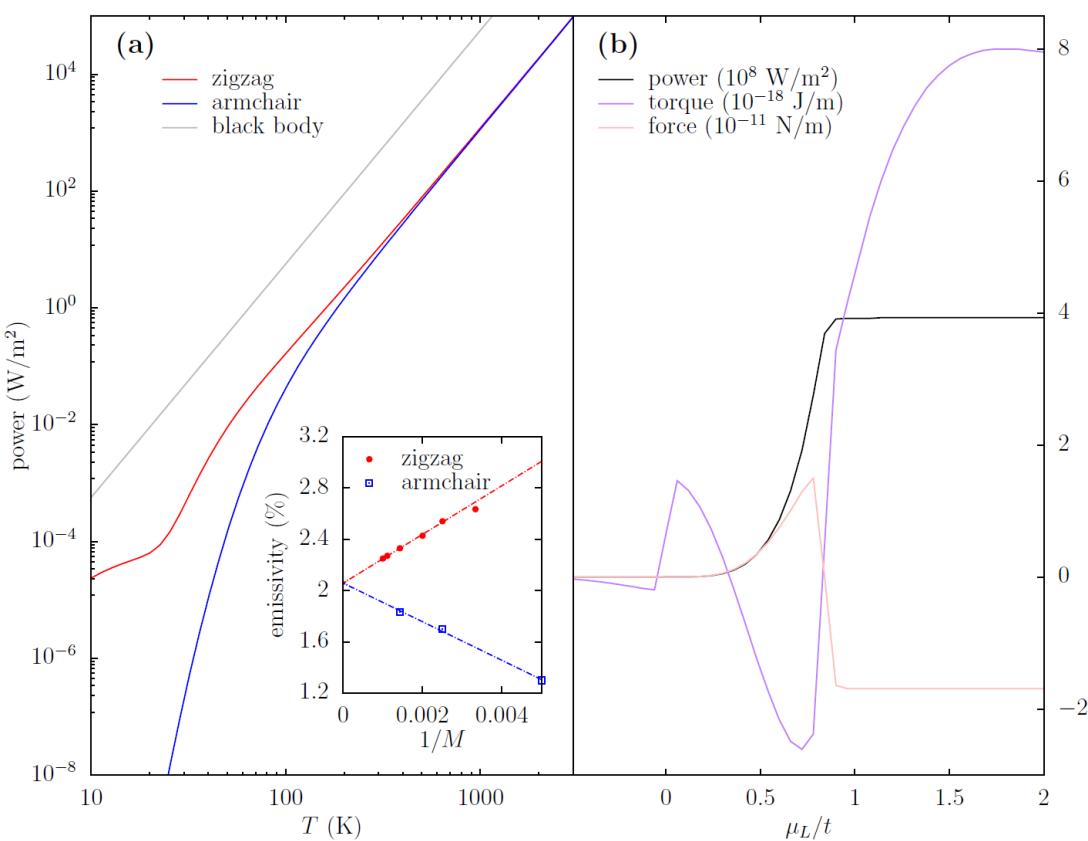


Largest angular momentum emission when one of the chemical potential meets the $E = +t$ energy level. From Zhang, Lü, and Wang, PRB 101, 161406(R) (2020).

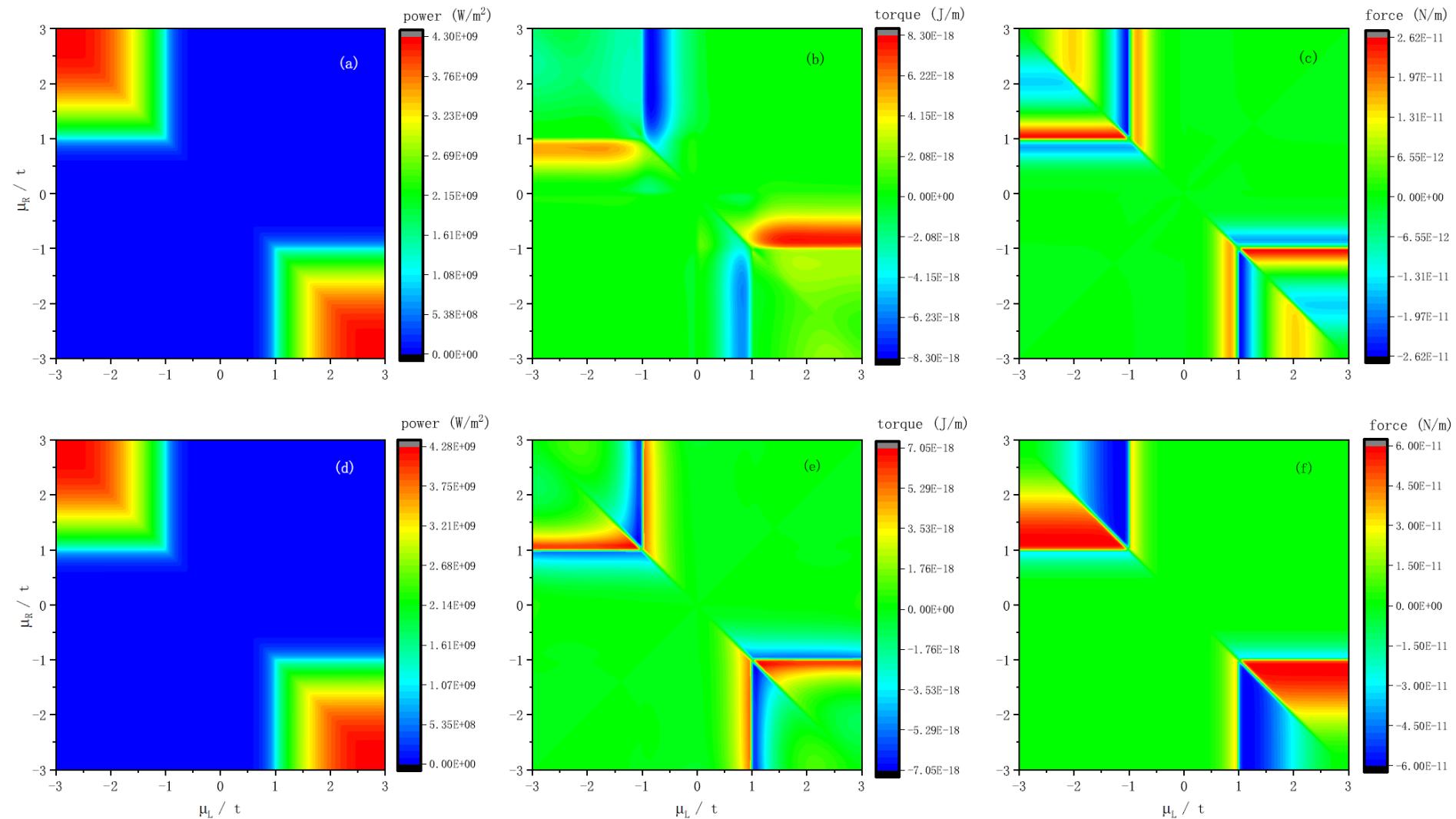
Force and torque from the nonequilibrium edge



Emission from graphene edge



(a) Emission power as a function of temperature, (b) P , N , F as a function of μ_L fixing $\frac{\mu_R}{t} = -0.8$. Y.-M. Zhang, etc.



I, N, F scan μ_R vs μ_L . System size width 700 unit cells, k-point 401. From Zhang, et al, PRB 105, 205421 (2022).

Summary of NEGF approach

- Determine Π_α the photon-self energy for each object serving as bath
- Solve the Dyson equation $D^r = \nu + \nu \Pi^r D^r$
- Field distribution/correlation by the Keldysh equation $D^< = D^r \Pi^< D^a$
- Apply Meir-Wingreen or Landauer (when we have local equilibrium) formula to compute transport quantities: energy, momentum, and angular momentum

NEGF advantage

- Fully quantum-mechanical
- Local equilibrium or not, reciprocal or not, the theory is the same
- Strong coupling regime? E.g., cavity QED (different free Green's function v), or need self-consistent $\Pi_L(G_L, G_R)$?
- First-principle based materials properties, i.e., Π .
- Challenges: Large system sizes? Moving objects?

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