

A Holographic Model of the Kondo Effect

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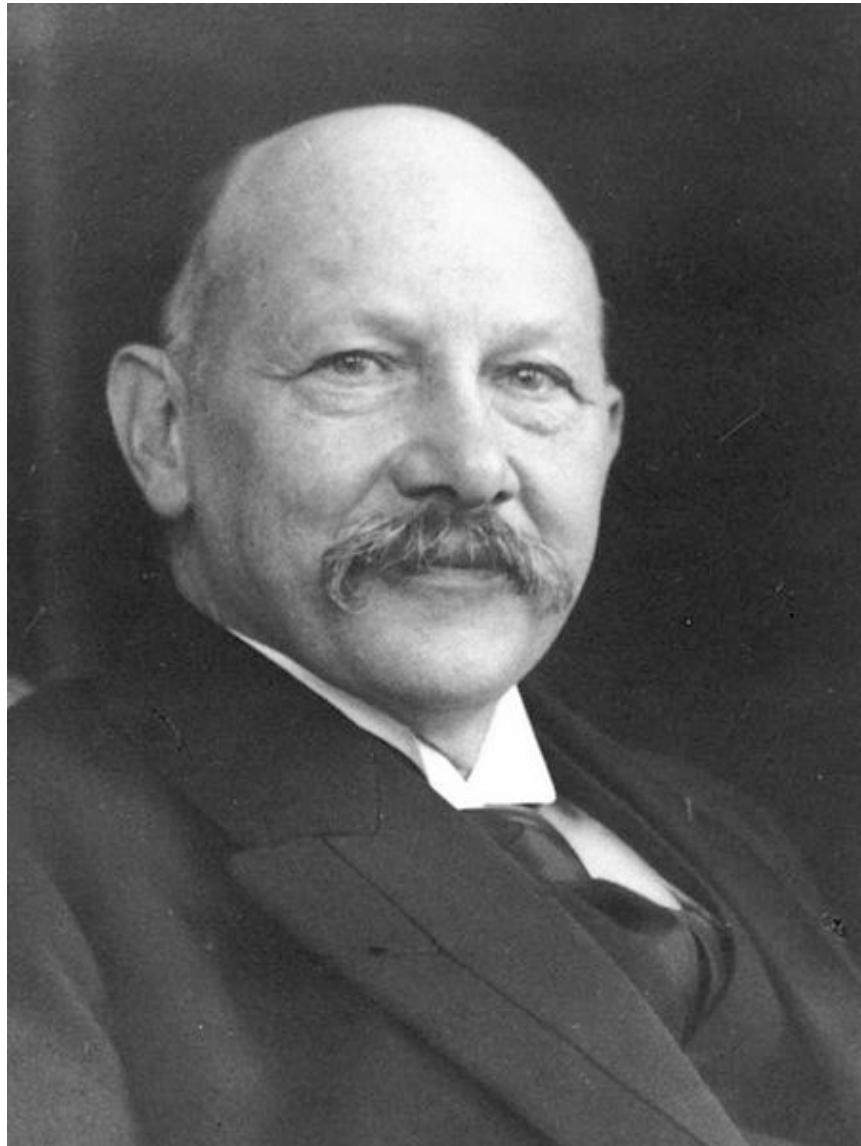
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Outline:

- The Kondo Effect
- The CFT Approach
- A Top-Down Holographic Model
- A Bottom-Up Holographic Model
- Summary and Outlook

July 10, 1908

Leiden, the Netherlands

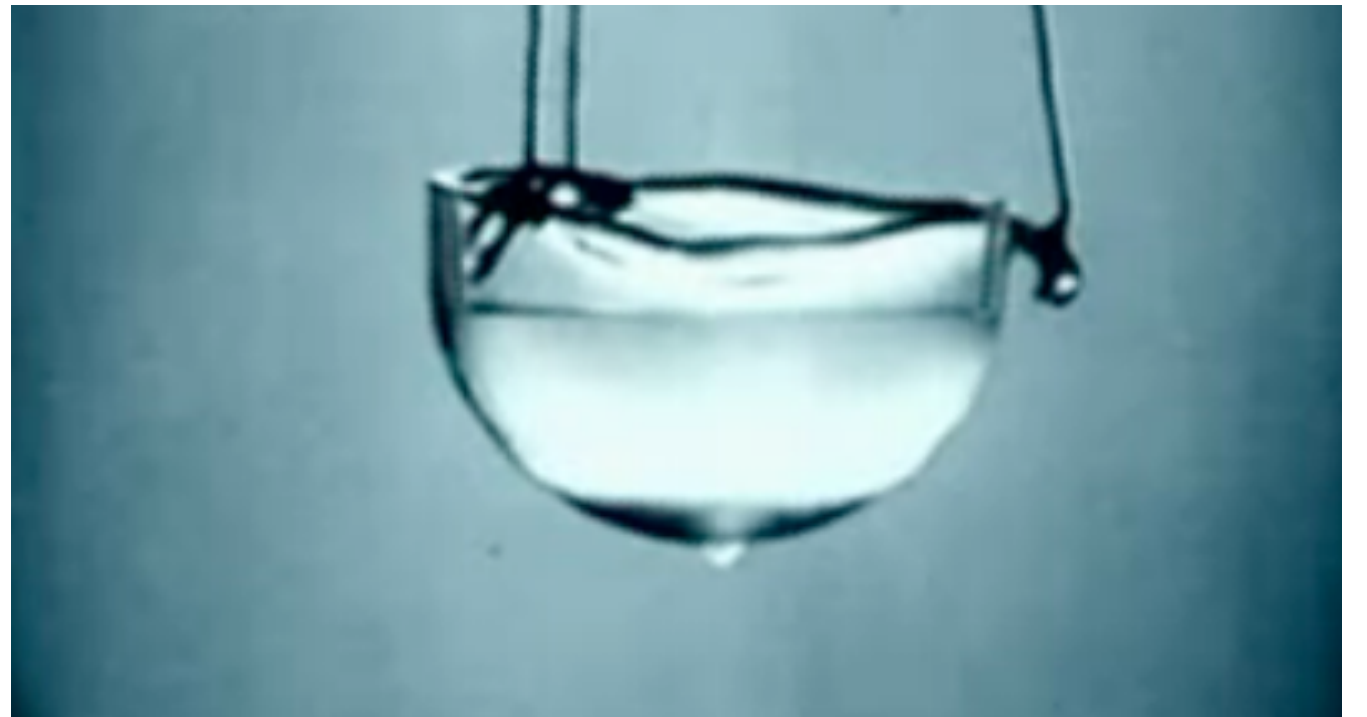
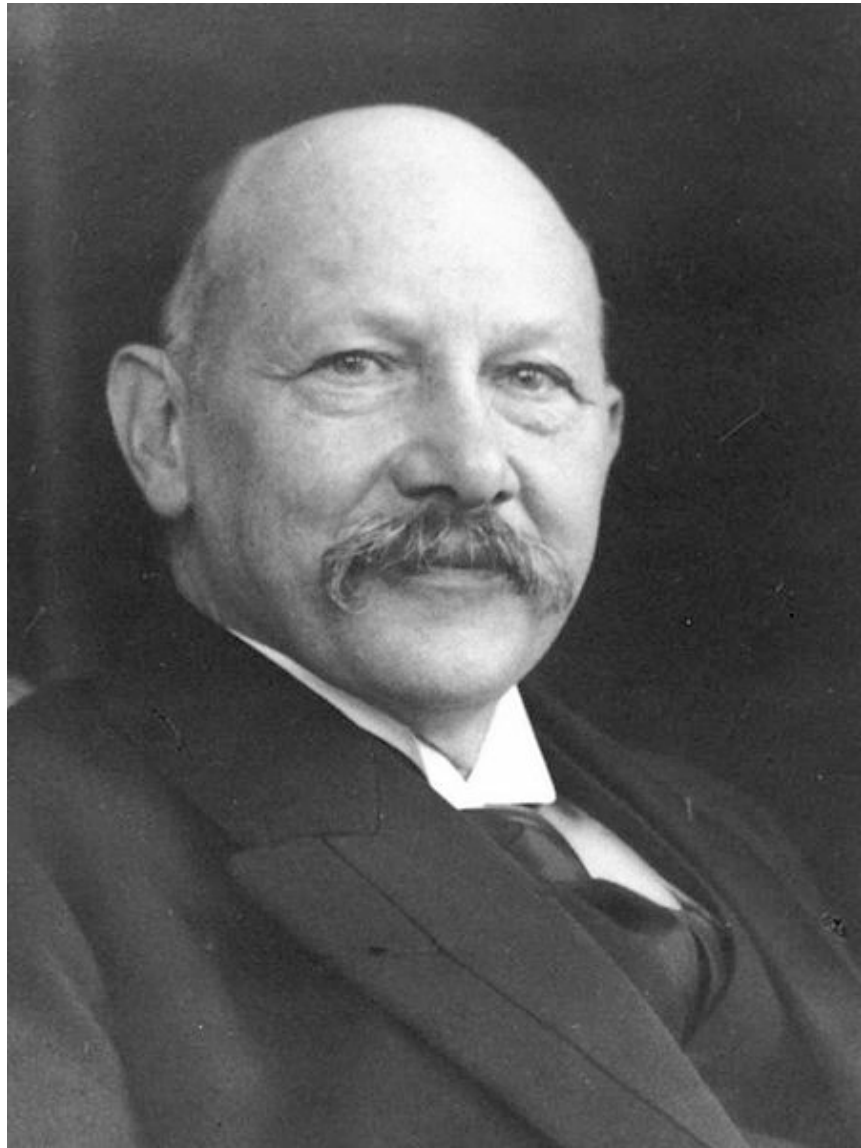


Heike Kamerlingh Onnes liquifies helium

$$T \approx 4.2 \text{ K} \quad (1 \text{ atm})$$

Shortly Thereafter

Leiden, the Netherlands



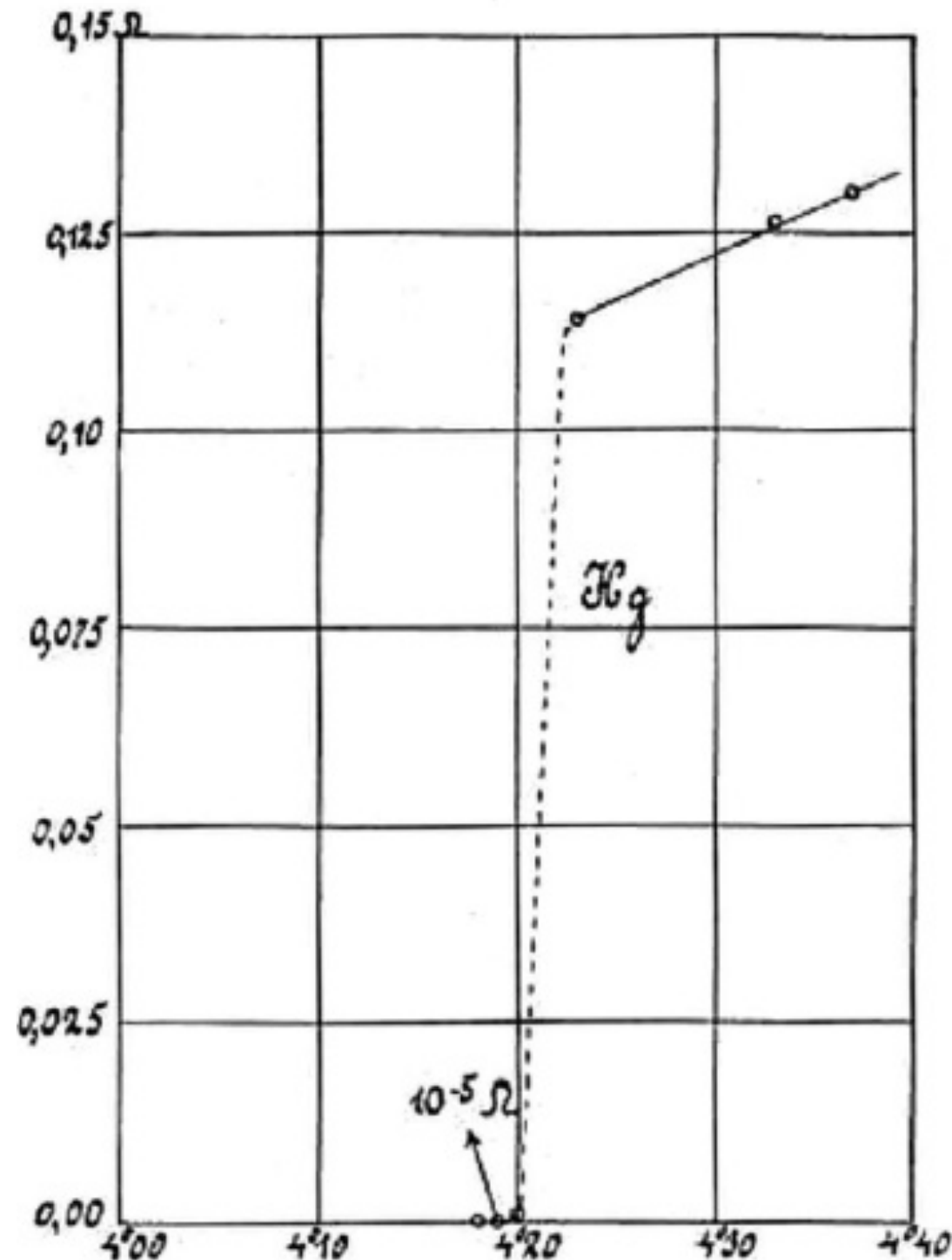
Begins studying low-temperature properties of metals

$$T \approx 1 \text{ to } 10 \text{ K}$$

April 8, 1911

Heike Kamerlingh Onnes discovers superconductivity

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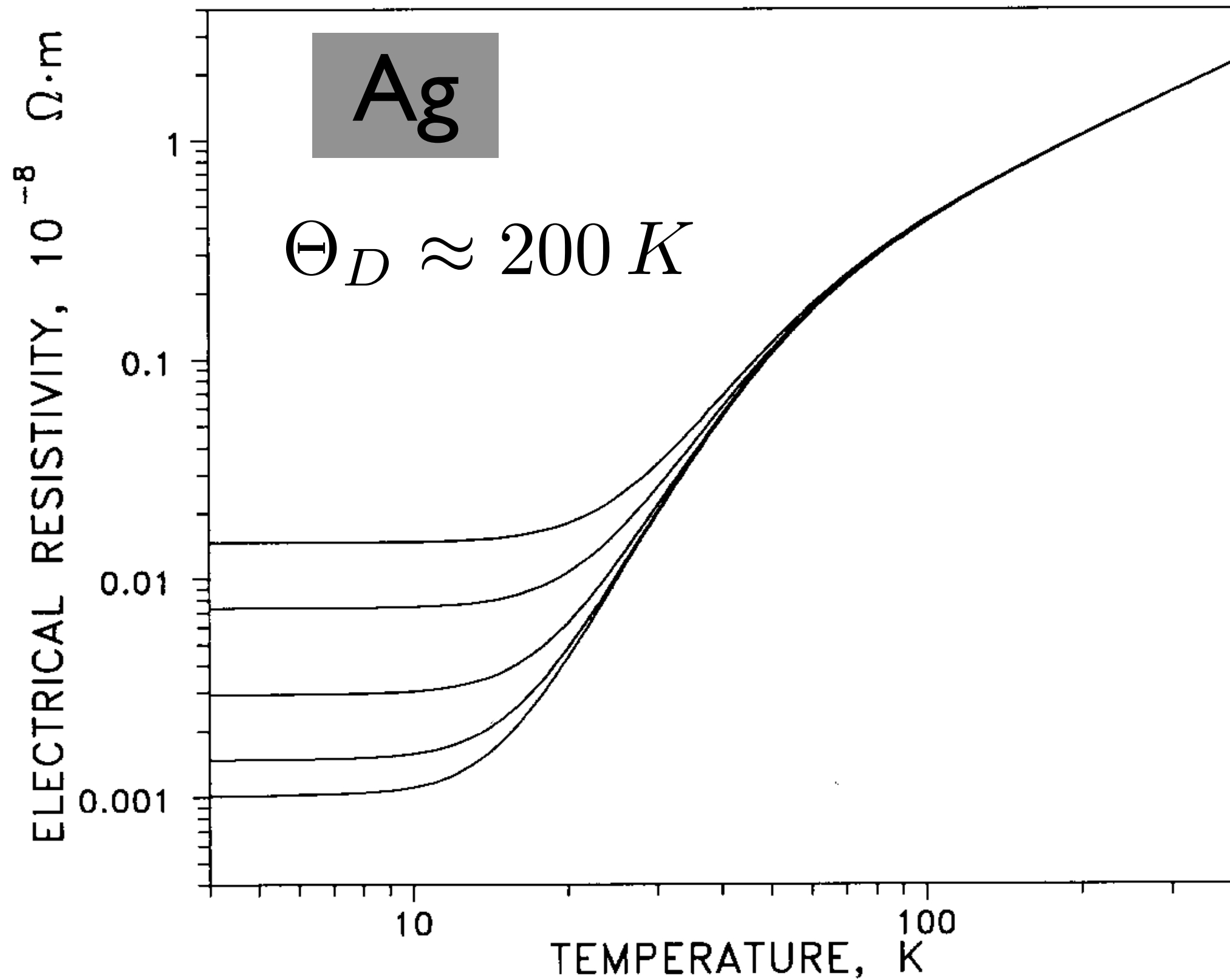


1913

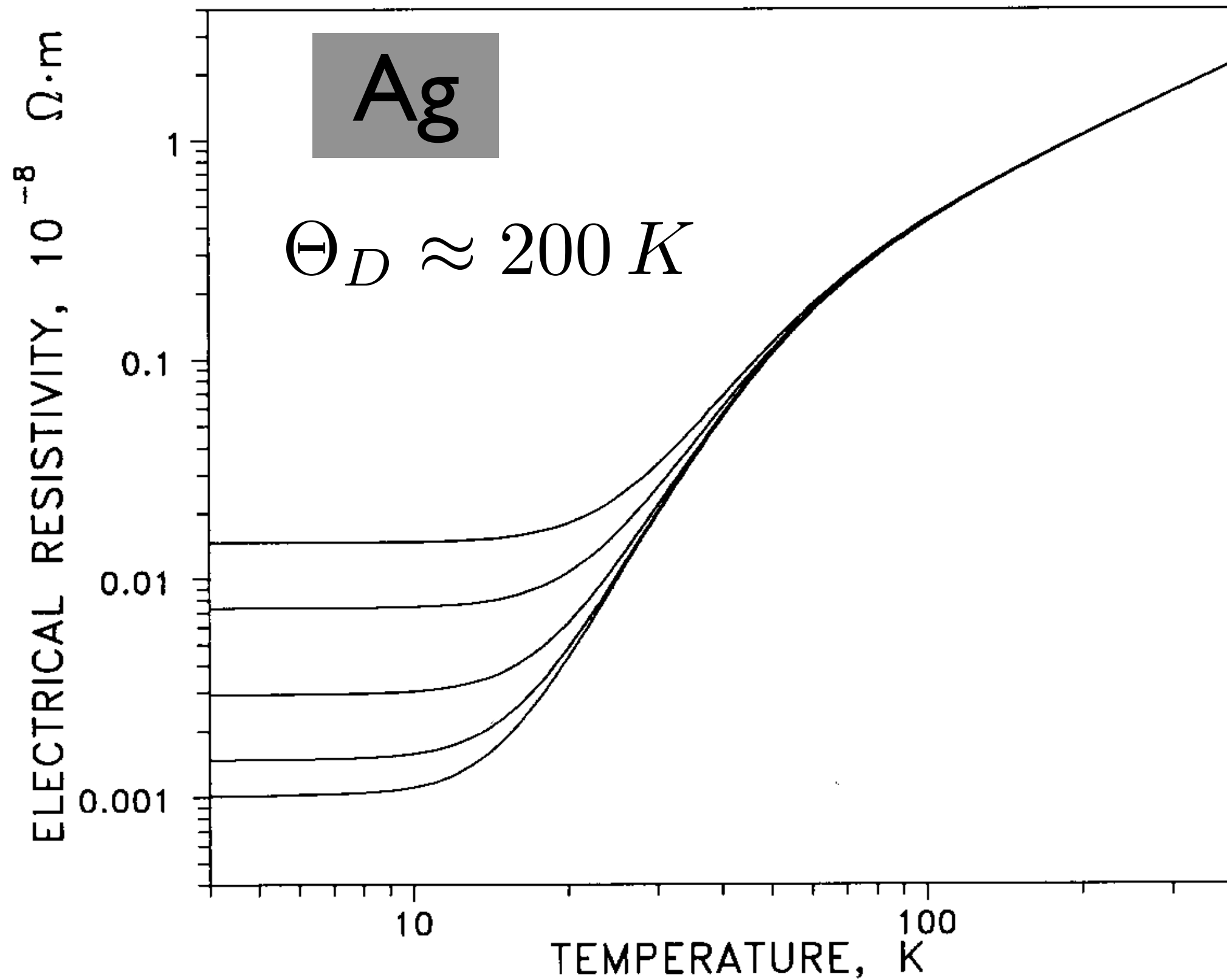
Onnes receives the Nobel Prize in Physics



“for his investigations on the properties of matter at low temperatures which led, *inter alia*, to the production of liquid helium”



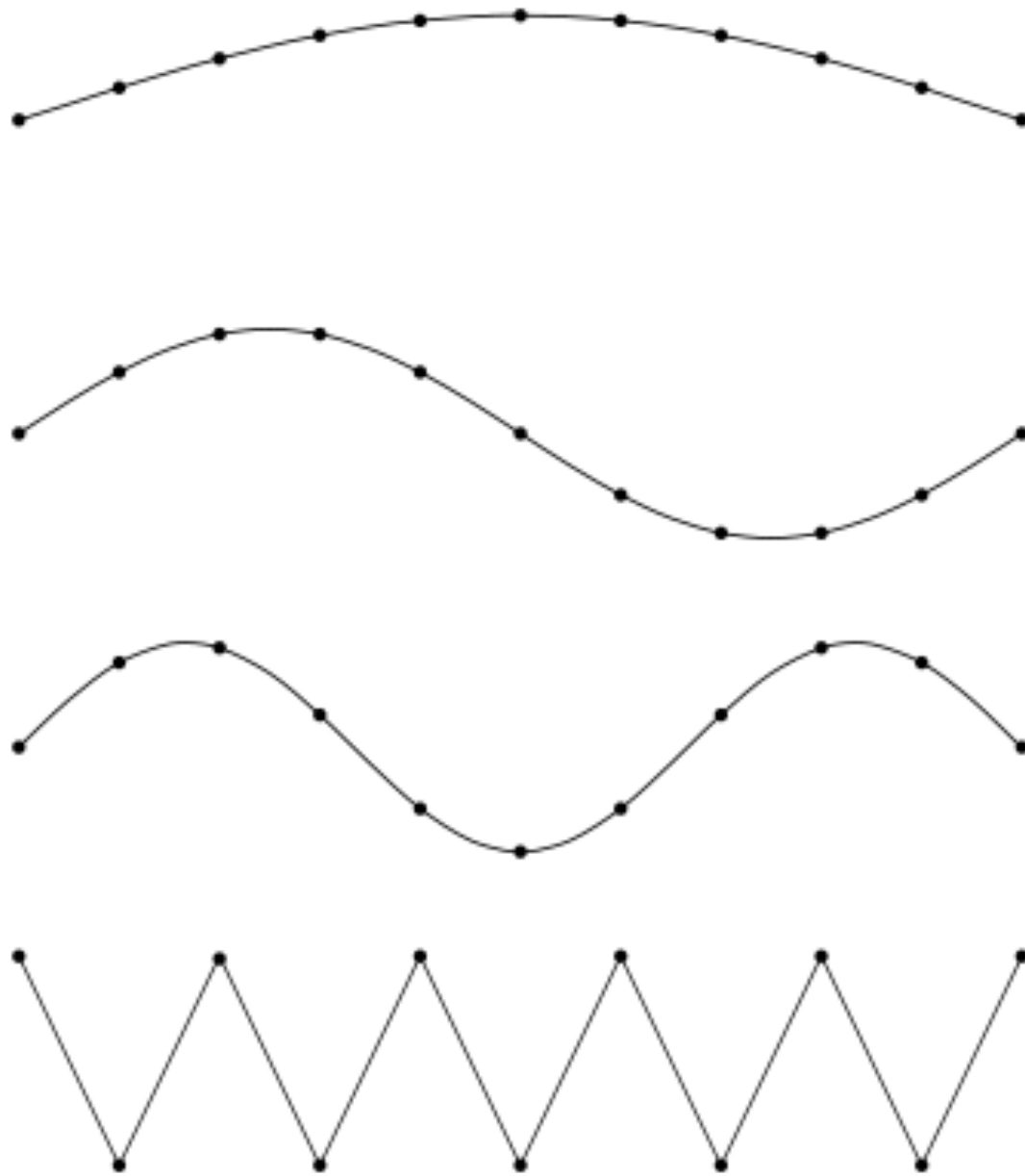
Smith and Fickett, J. Res. NIST, 100, 119 (1995)



Resistivity measures electron scattering cross section

Debye Temperature

Quantized vibrational modes of a solid = Phonons

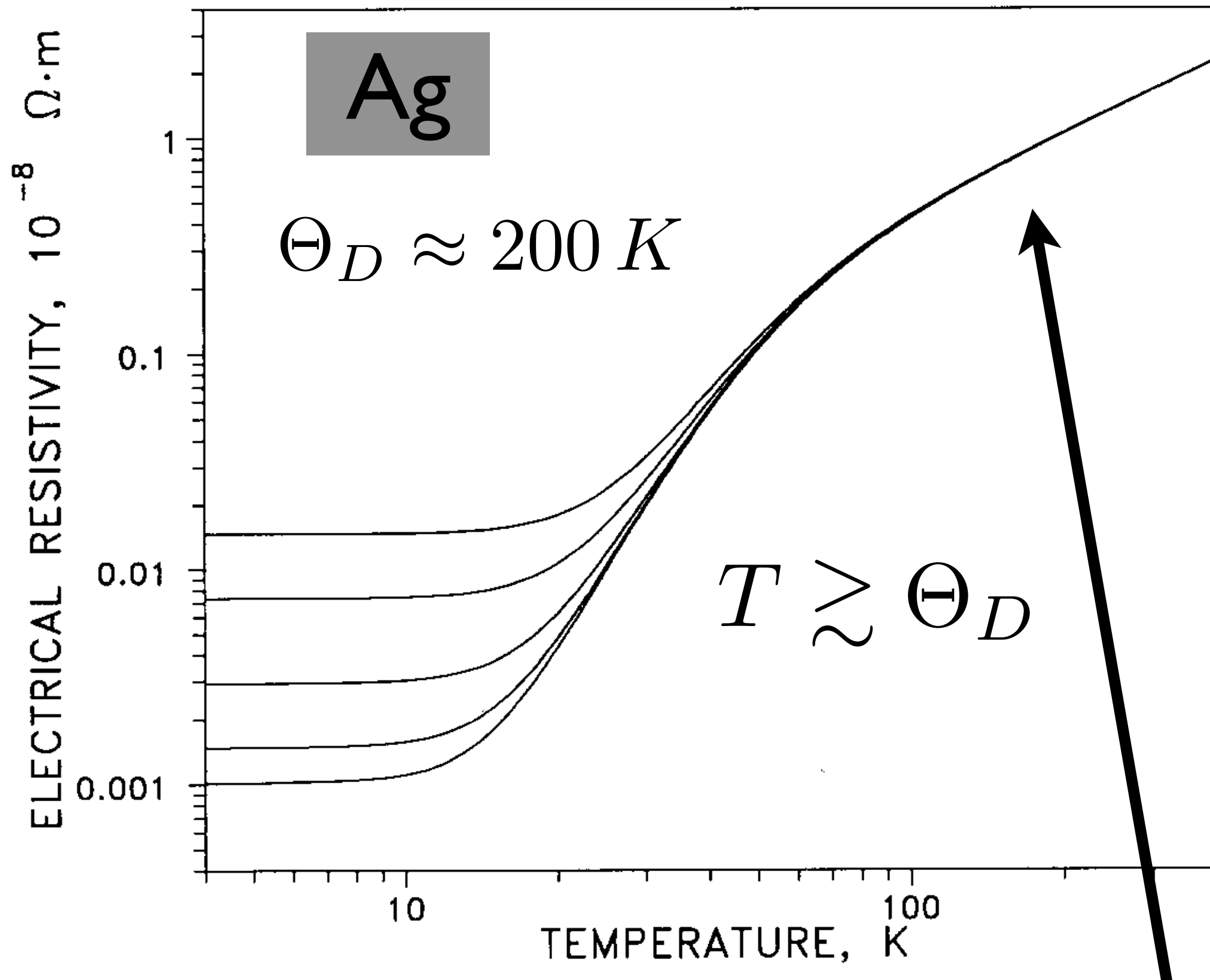


Minimum wavelength:
 $2 \times$ (lattice spacing)

Maximal energy

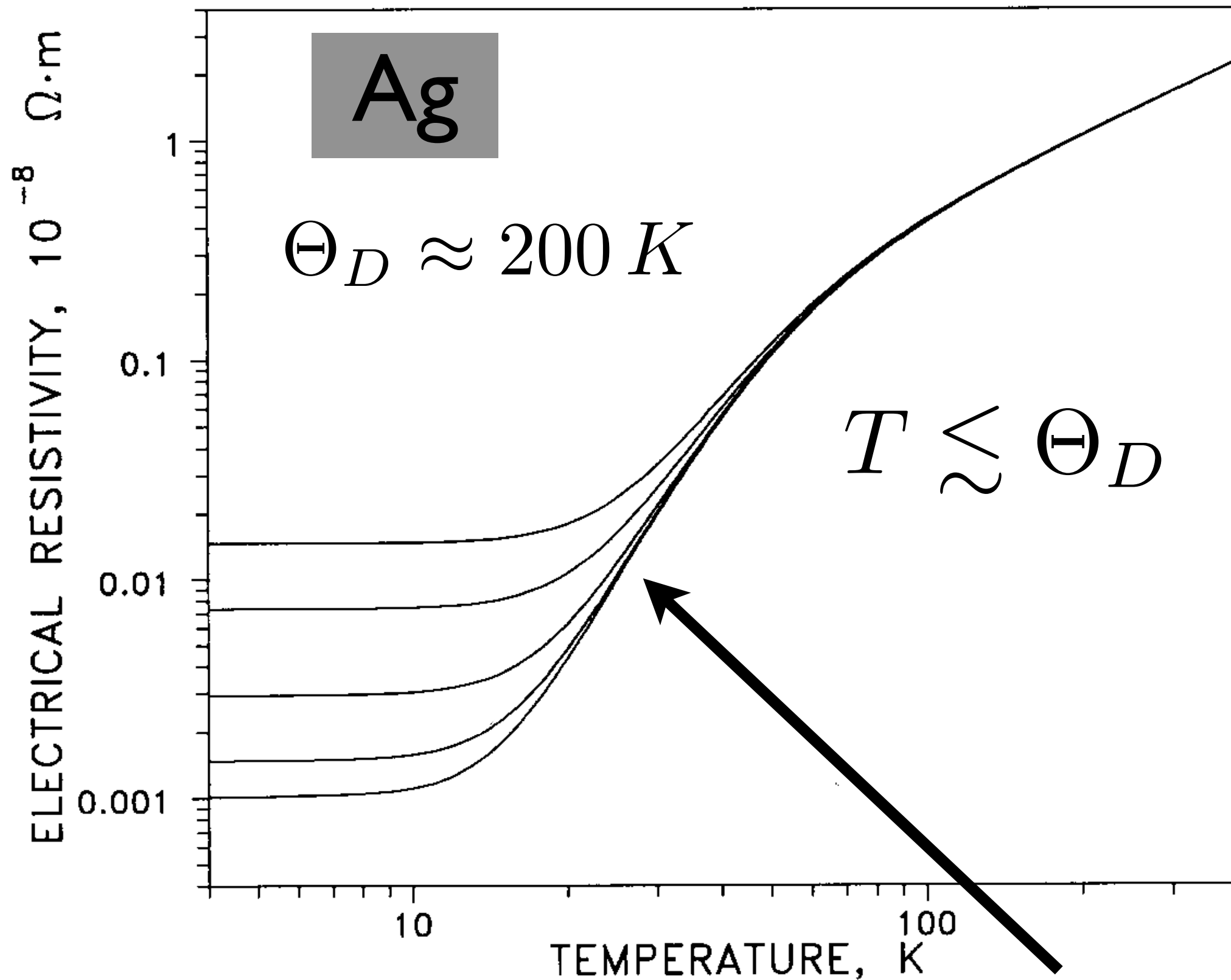
$$\Theta_D$$

lowest temperature at
which maximal-energy
phonon excited



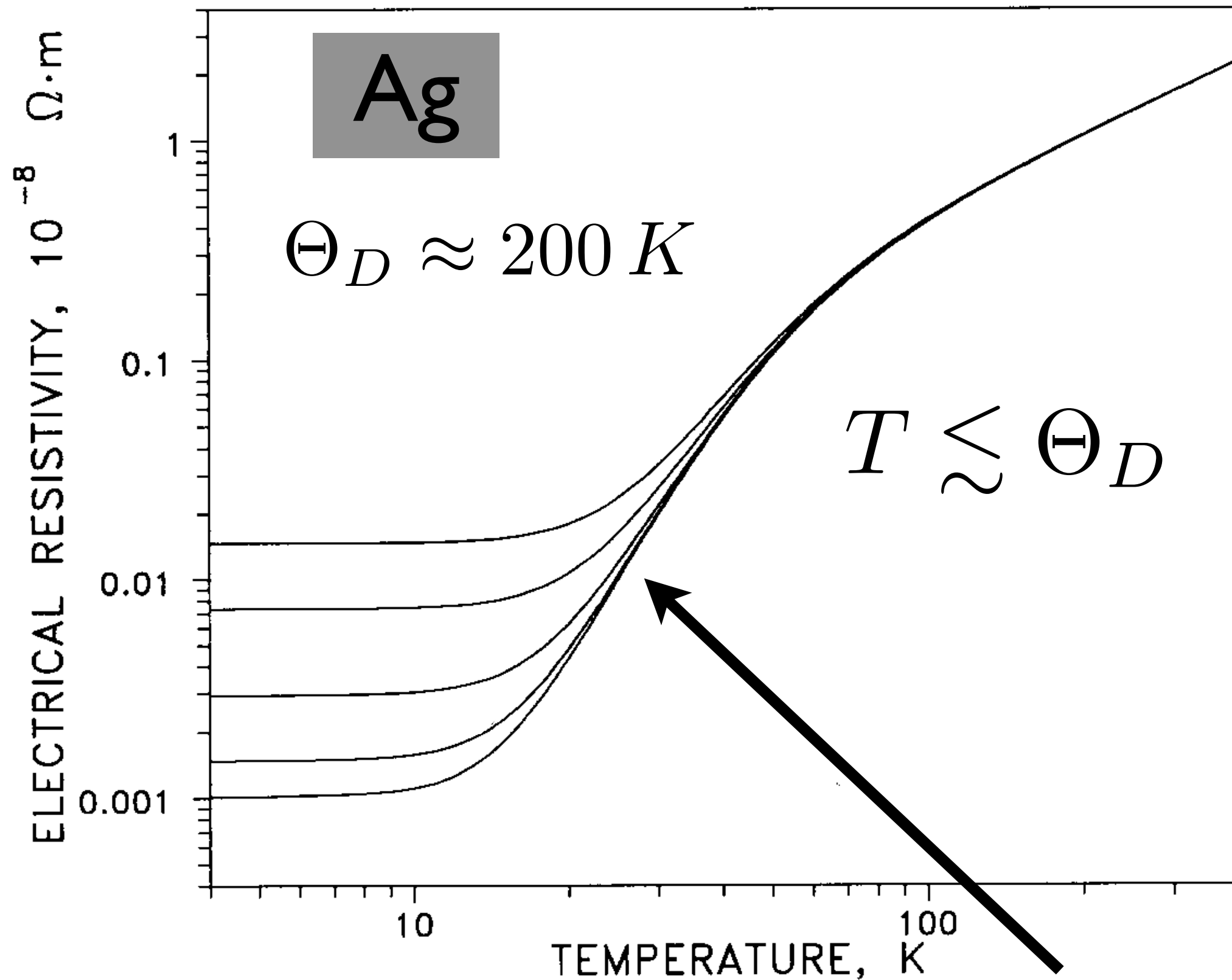
electron-phonon
scattering

$$\rho(T) \propto T$$



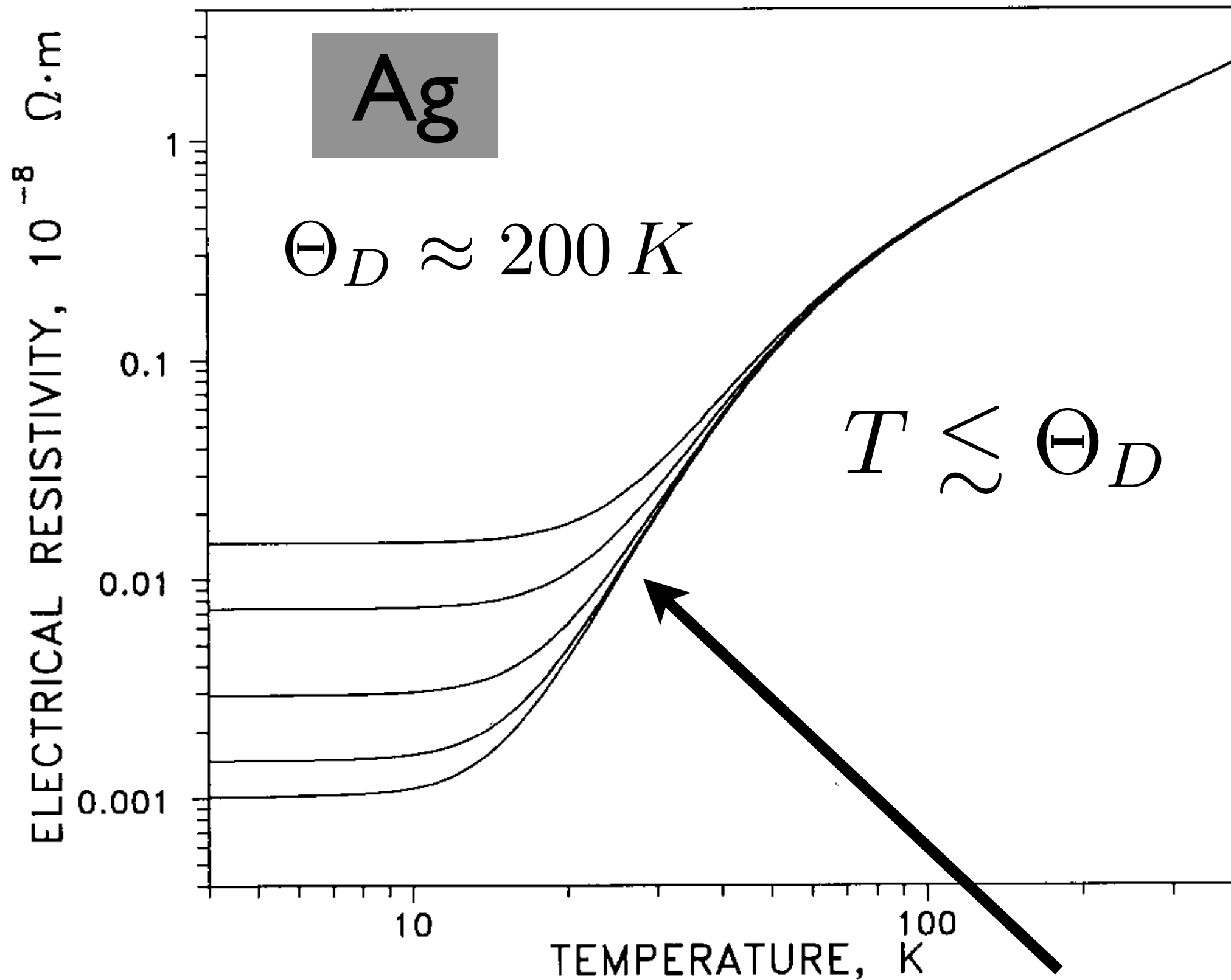
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$$\rho(T) = \rho_0 + aT^2 + bT^5$$



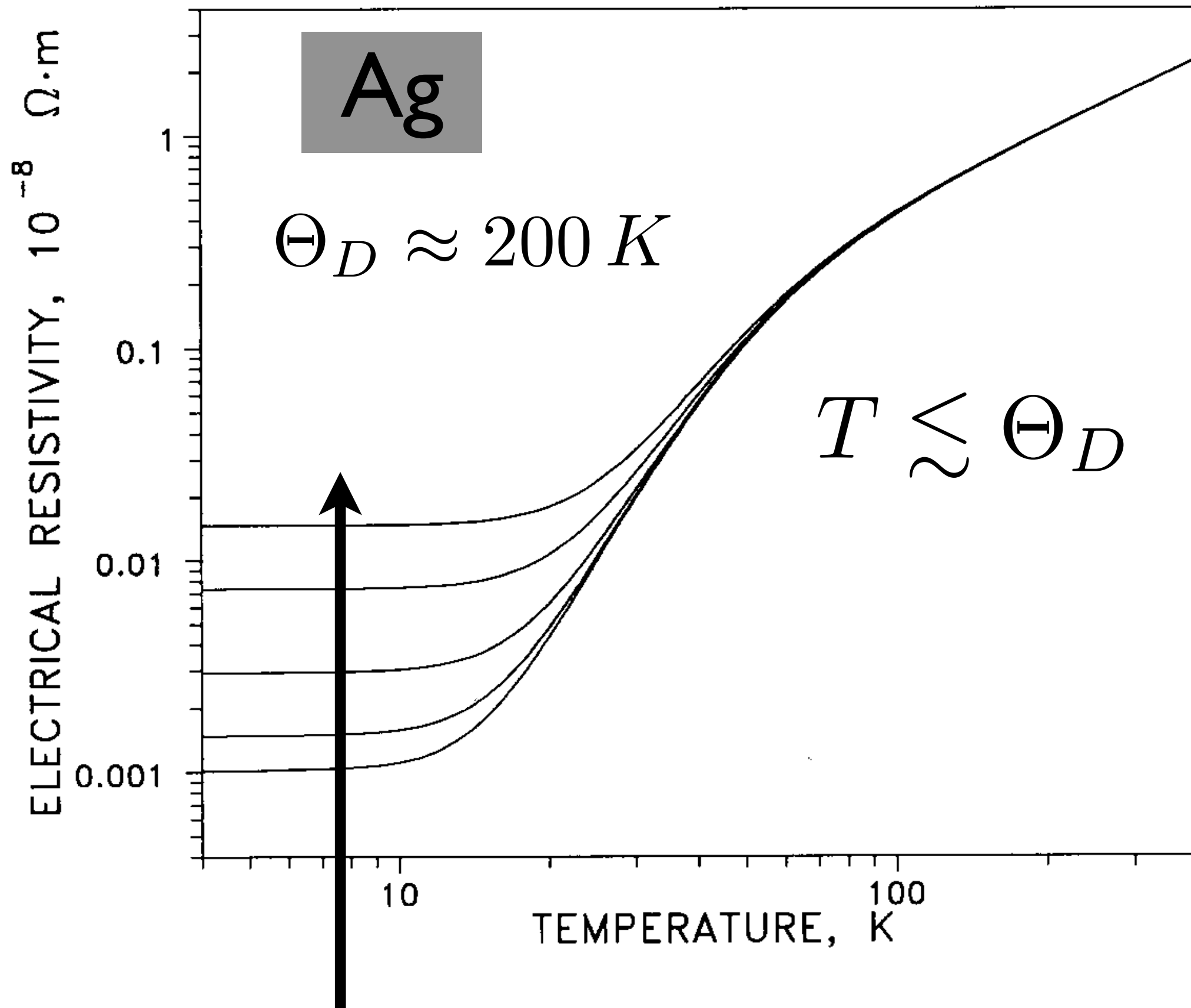
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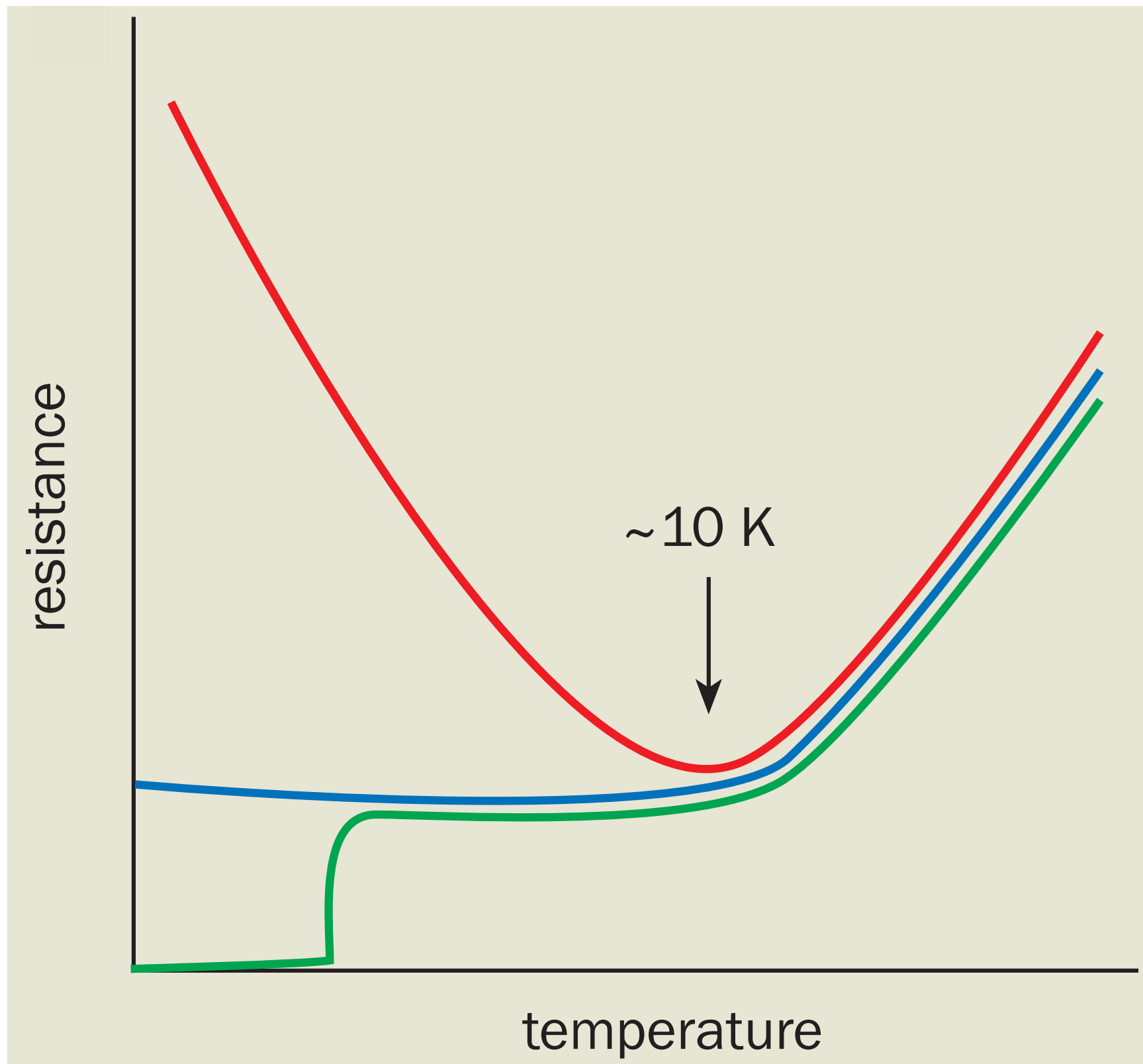
electron-impurity
scattering

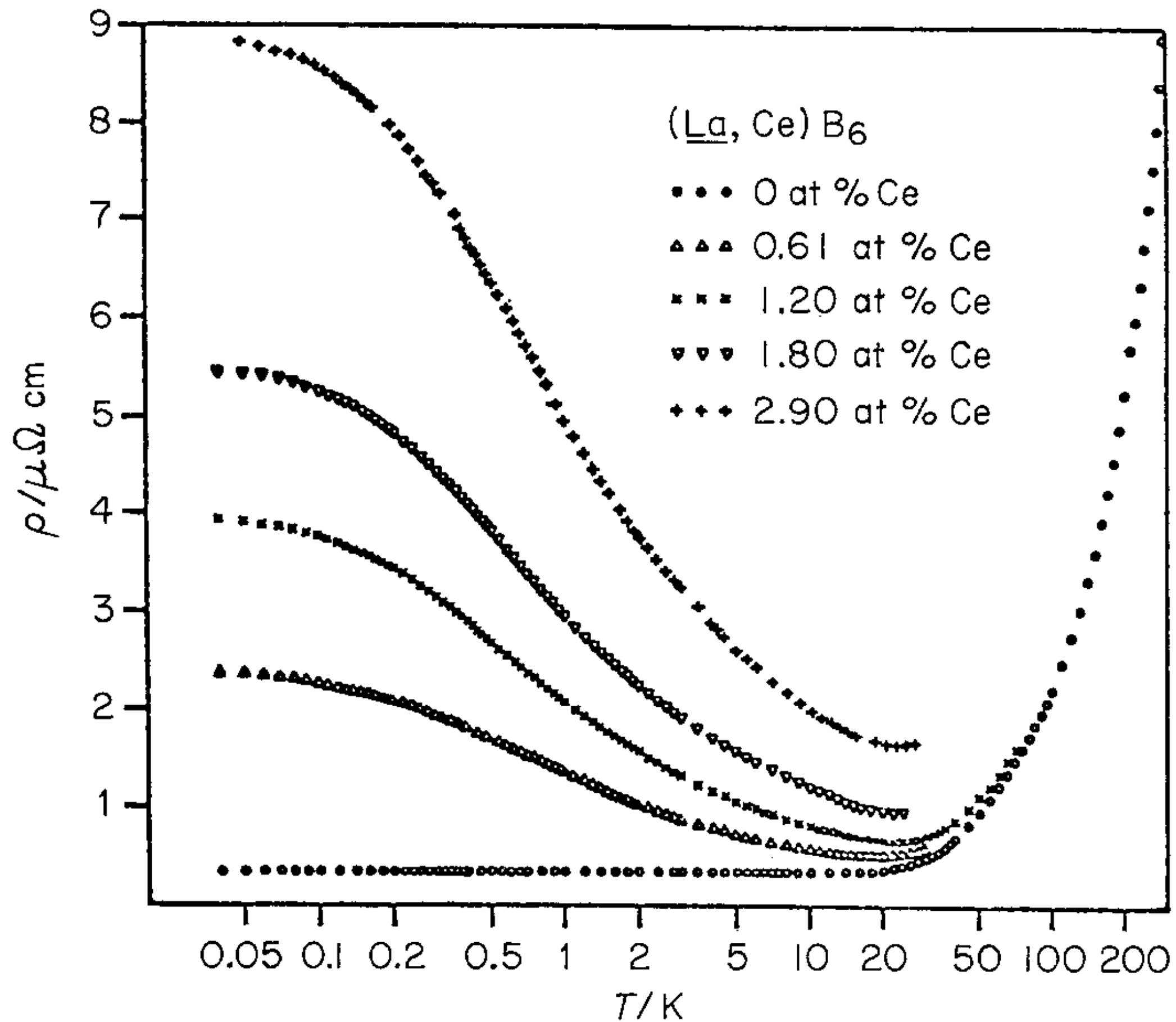
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increasing concentration of impurities

The Kondo Effect

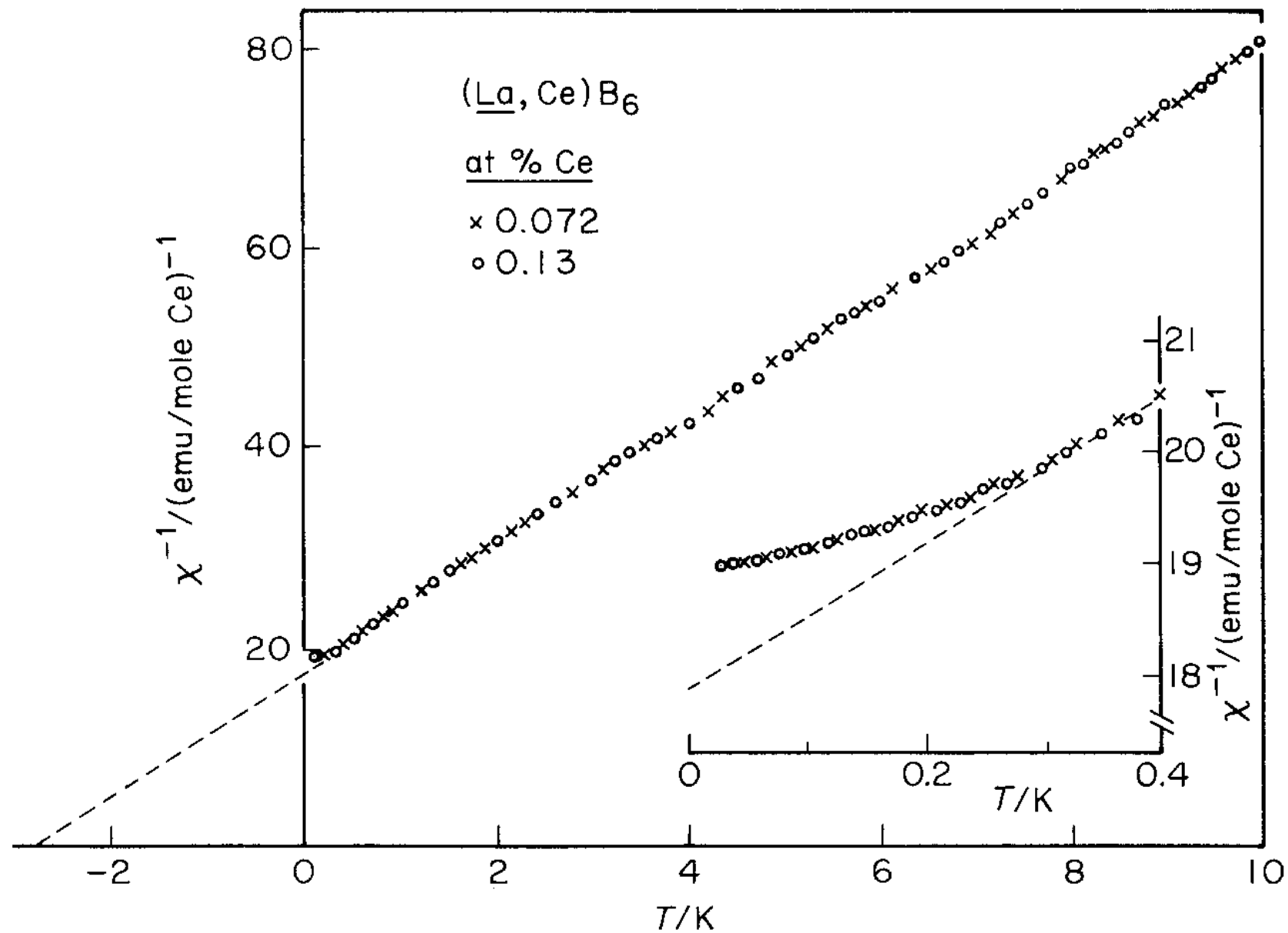




Samwer and Winzer, Z. Phys B, 25, 269, 1976

MAGNETIC Impurities

$$\chi = \left. \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial B^2} \right|_{B=0}$$



Felsch, Z. Phys B, 29, 211, 1978

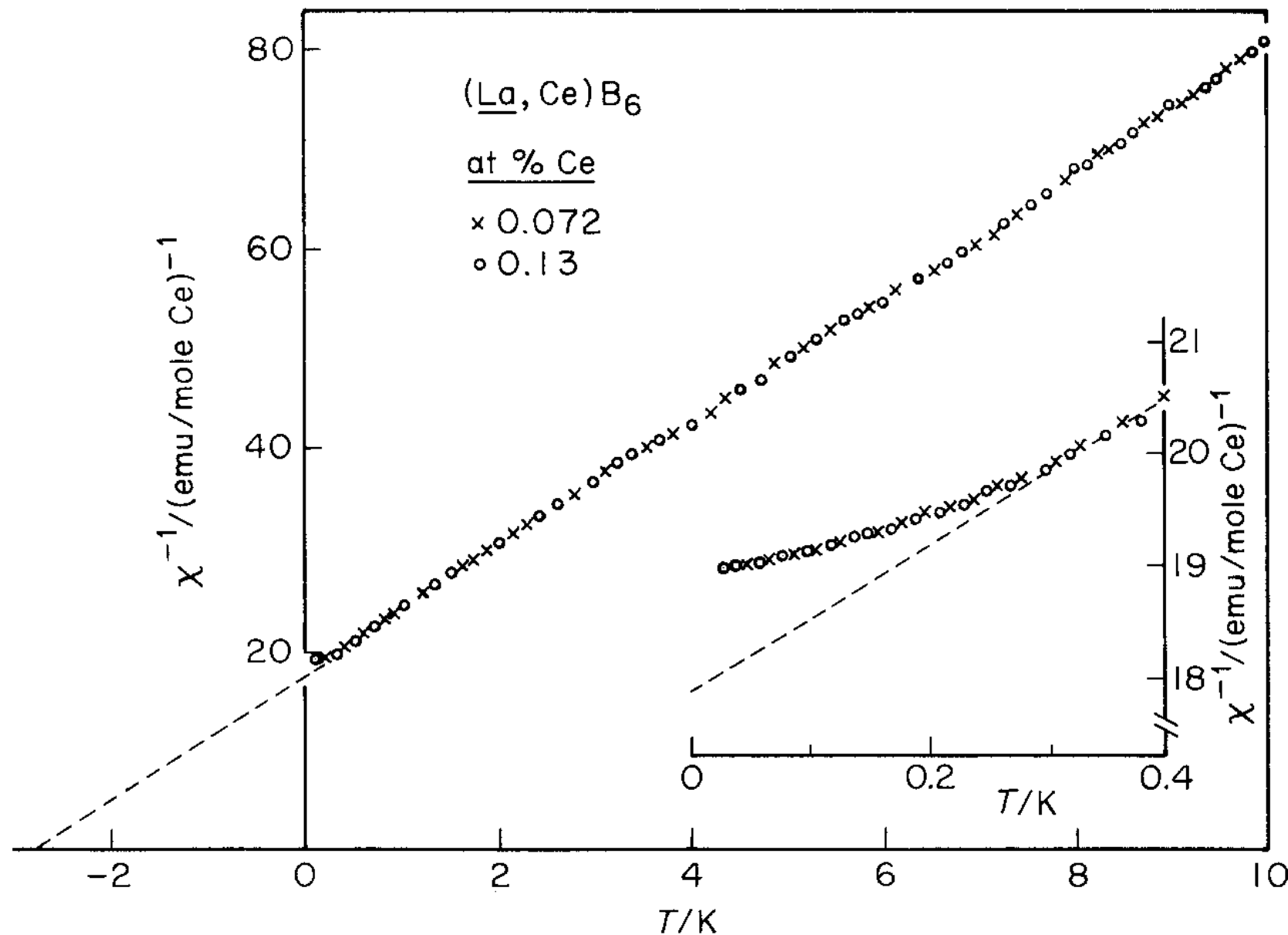
MAGNETIC Impurities

Fermi liquid

Pauli: $\chi \propto T^0$

Free magnetic moment

Curie: $\chi \propto T^{-1}$



Felsch, Z. Phys B, 29, 211, 1978

Progress of Theoretical Physics, Vol. 32, No. 1, July 1964

Resistance Minimum in Dilute Magnetic Alloys

Jun KONDO



The Kondo Hamiltonian

$$H_K = \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon(k) c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + g_K \vec{S} \cdot \sum_{k\sigma k'\sigma'} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger \frac{1}{2} \vec{\tau}_{\sigma\sigma'} c_{k'\sigma'}$$

$$c_{k\sigma}^\dagger, c_{k\sigma}$$

Conduction electrons

$$\sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$$

Spin $SU(2)$

$$c_{k\sigma} \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} c_{k\sigma}$$

Charge $U(1)$

$$\varepsilon(k) = \frac{k^2}{2m} - \varepsilon_F$$

Dispersion relation

The Kondo Hamiltonian

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\vec{S}

Spin of magnetic impurity

$\vec{\tau}$

Pauli matrices

g_K

Kondo coupling

$g_K < 0$

Ferromagnetic

$g_K > 0$

Anti-Ferromagnetic

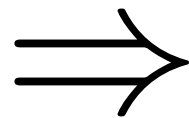
$$\rho(T) = \rho_0 + aT^2 + bT^5 + cg_K^2 - \tilde{c}g_K^3 \ln(T/\varepsilon_F)$$

$$c, \tilde{c} > 0 \quad \propto \quad \text{concentration of impurities}$$

$$\varepsilon_F = \text{UV cutoff}$$

$$g_K < 0$$

Ferromagnetic



as T decreases
 $\rho(T)$ DECREASES

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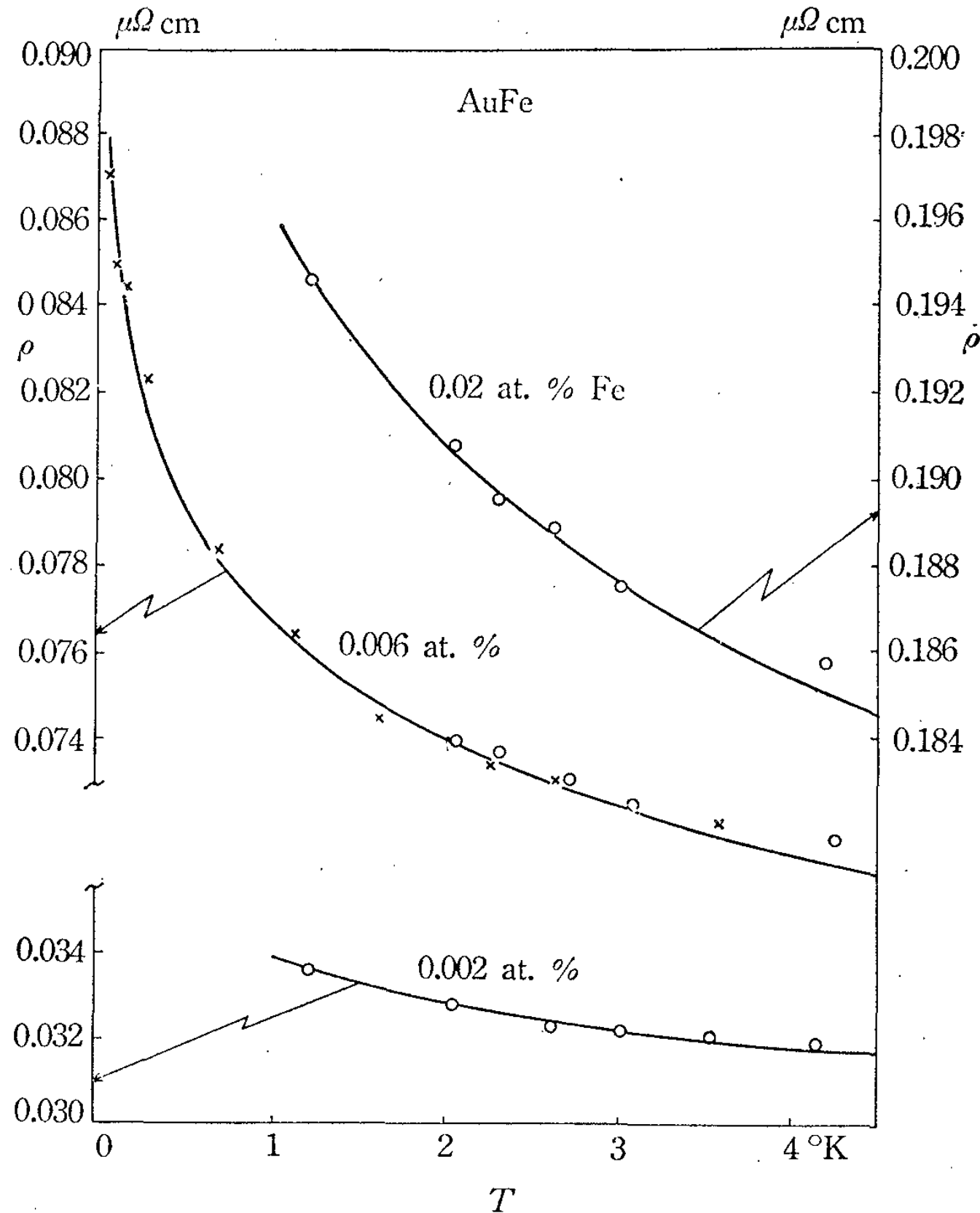
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Anti-Ferromagnetic \Rightarrow

as T decreases
 $\rho(T)$ INCREASES

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Breakdown of Perturbation Theory

$\mathcal{O}(g_K^3)$ term is same order as $\mathcal{O}(g_K^2)$ term when

$$T_K \approx \varepsilon_F e^{-\frac{c}{\tilde{c}} \frac{1}{g_K}}$$

“Kondo temperature”

$$\rho(T) = \rho_0 + a T^2 + b T^5 + c g_K^2 - \tilde{c} g_K^3 \ln(T/\varepsilon_F)$$

Cross section for electron scattering off a
MAGNETIC impurity
INCREASES as energy **DECREASES**

$$\beta_{g_K} \propto -g_K^2 + \mathcal{O}(g_K^3)$$

Asymptotic freedom!

$$T_K \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

The Kondo Problem

What is the ground state?

The coupling diverges at low energy!

We know the answer!

Solutions of the Kondo Problem

Numerical RG (Wilson 1975)

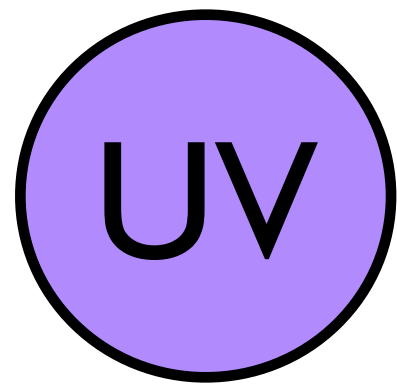
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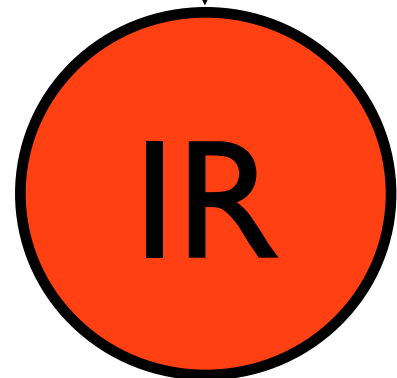
Fermi liquid
+
decoupled spin

Intuitive description

SINGLE-BODY physics

Exact description

MANY-BODY physics



UV

Fermi liquid
+
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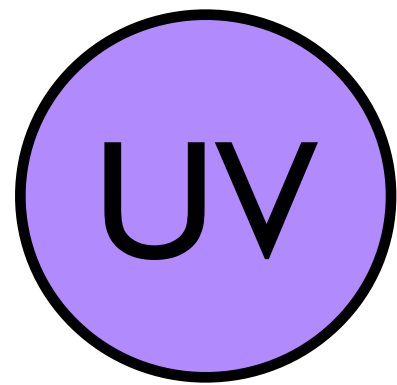
Intuitive description

An electron binds with the impurity
Anti-symmetric singlet of $SU(2)$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow_i \downarrow_e\rangle - |\downarrow_i \uparrow_e\rangle)$$

IR

“Kondo singlet”

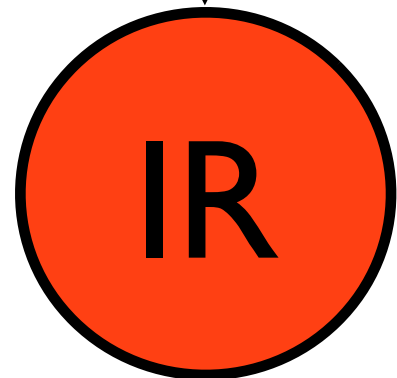


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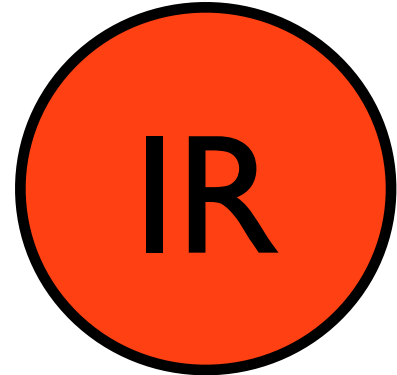
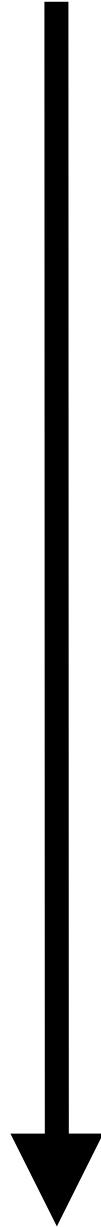
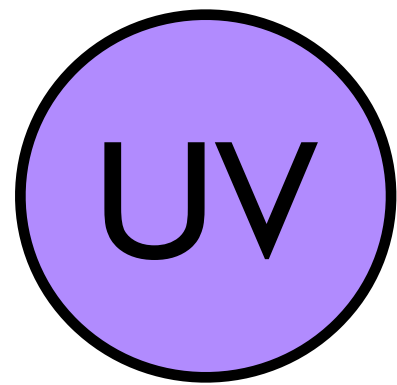
Exact description

The electrons work collectively
to SCREEN the impurity's spin

Produces a MANY-BODY RESONANCE



“Kondo resonance”

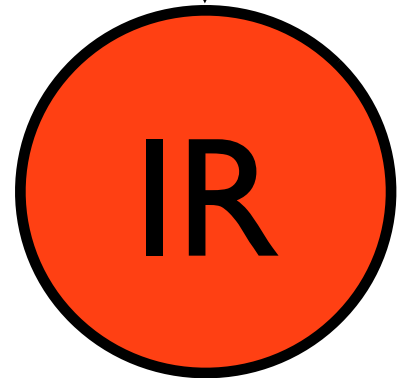
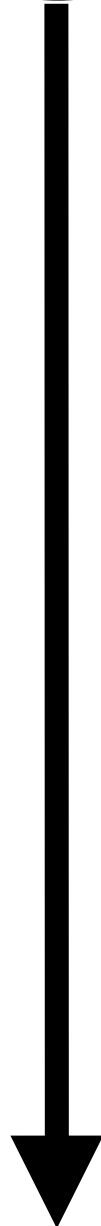
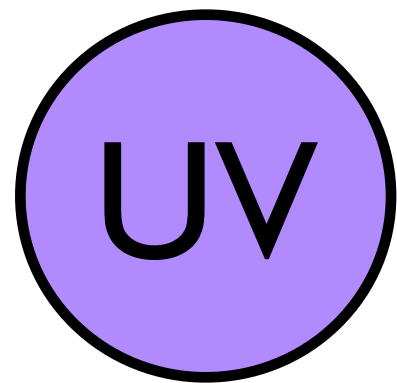


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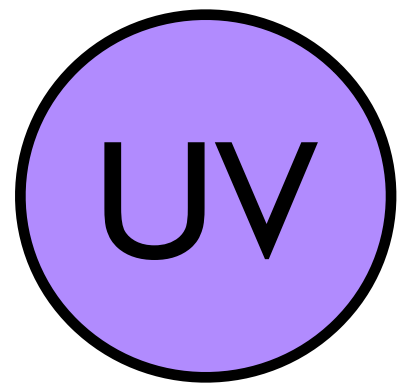


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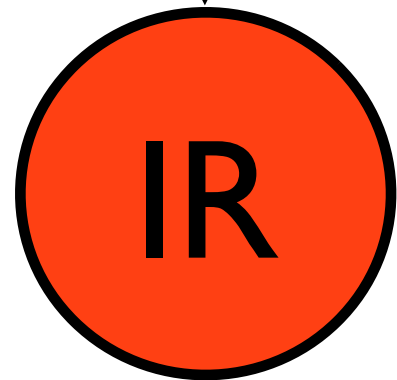
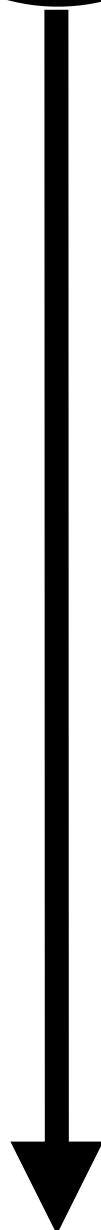
NO spin

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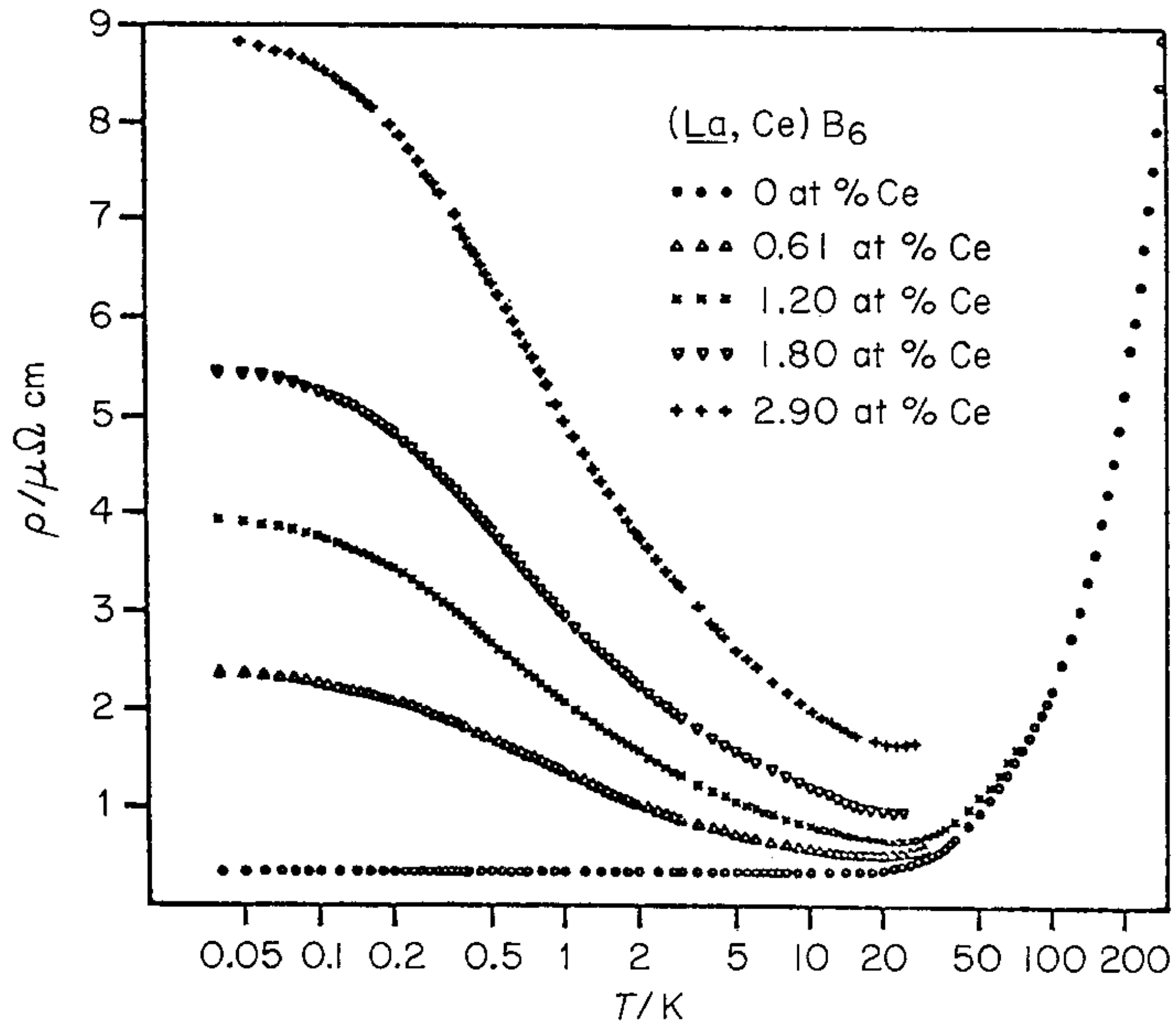
+ electrons EXCLUDED
from impurity location



Fermi liquid
+
decoupled spin



Fermi liquid
+
NON-MAGNETIC impurity



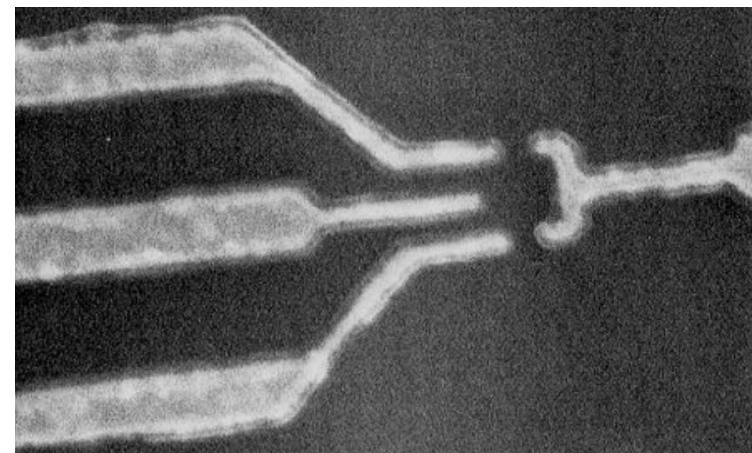
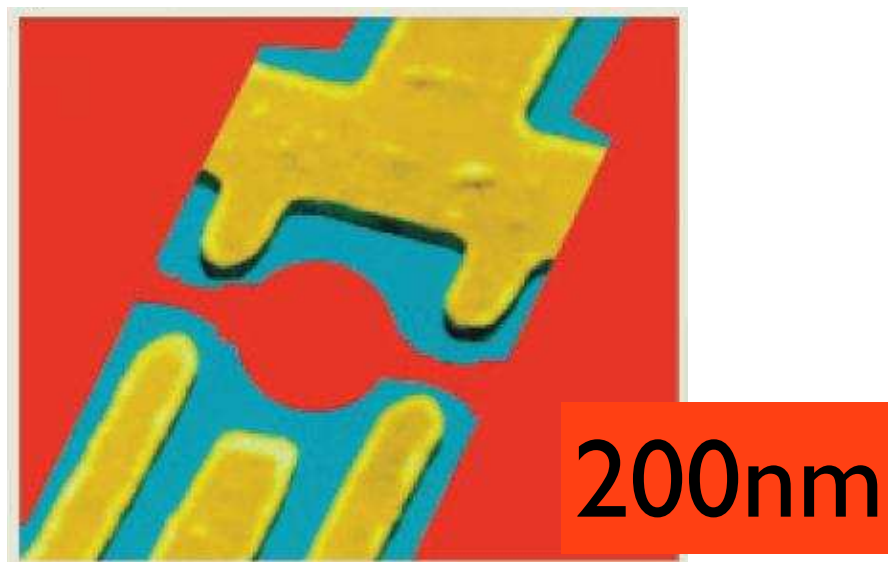
Samwer and Winzer, Z. Phys B, 25, 269, 1976

Kondo Effect in Many Systems

Alloys

Cu, Ag, Au, Mg, Zn, ... doped with Cr, Fe, Mo, Mn, Re, Os, ...

Quantum dots



Goldhaber-Gordon, et al., **Nature** 391 (1998), 156-159.

Cronenwett, et al., **Science** 281 (1998), no. 5376, 540-544.

Generalizations

Enhance the spin group

$$SU(2) \rightarrow SU(N)$$

Representation of impurity spin

$$s_{\text{imp}} = 1/2 \longrightarrow R_{\text{imp}}$$

Multiple “channels” or “flavors”

$$c \longrightarrow c^{\alpha} \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, k$$

$$U(1) \times SU(k)$$

Generalizations

Kondo model specified by

$$N, k, R_{\text{imp}}$$

Apply the techniques mentioned above...

IR fixed point:

NOT always
a fermi liquid

“Non-Fermi liquids”

Open Problems

Entanglement Entropy

Quantum Quenches

Multiple Impurities

Kondo:

Form singlets with electrons

$$\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

Form singlets with each other

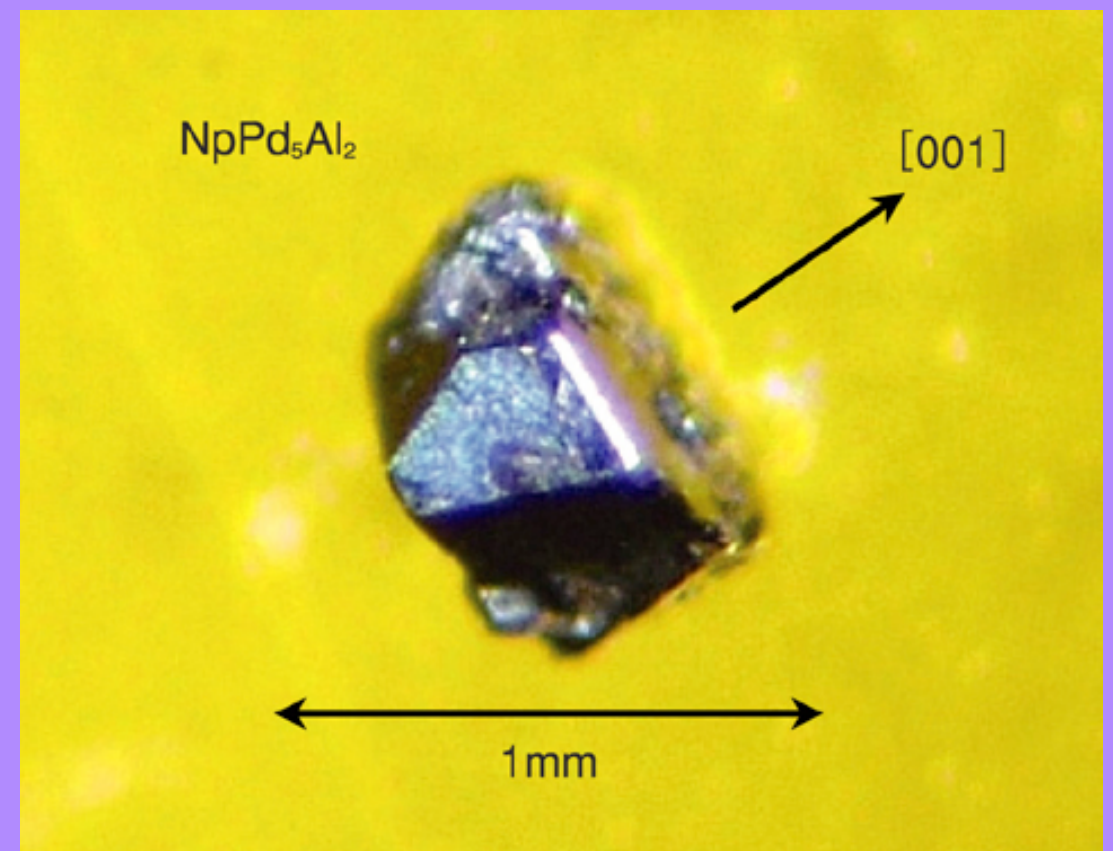
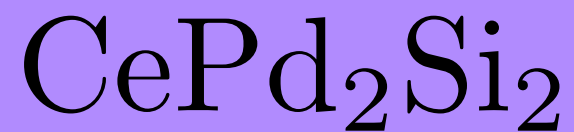
Competition between these can produce a

QUANTUM PHASE TRANSITION

Open Problems

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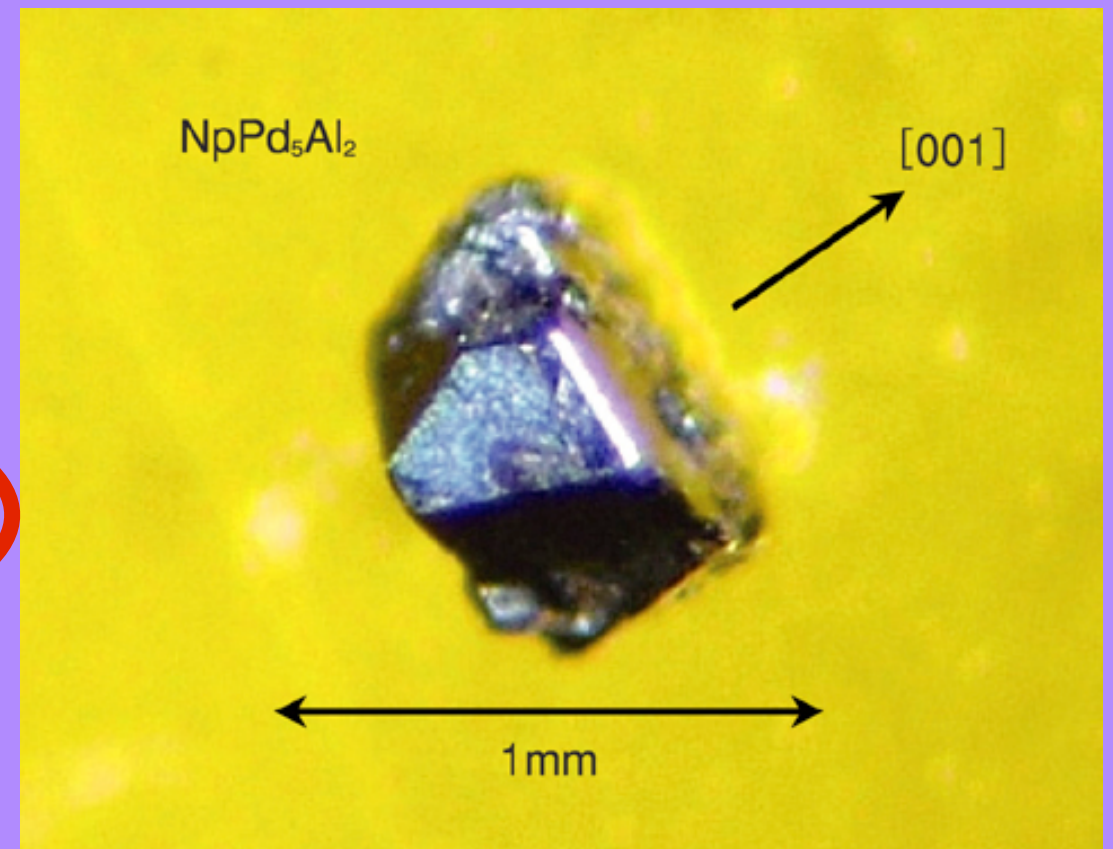
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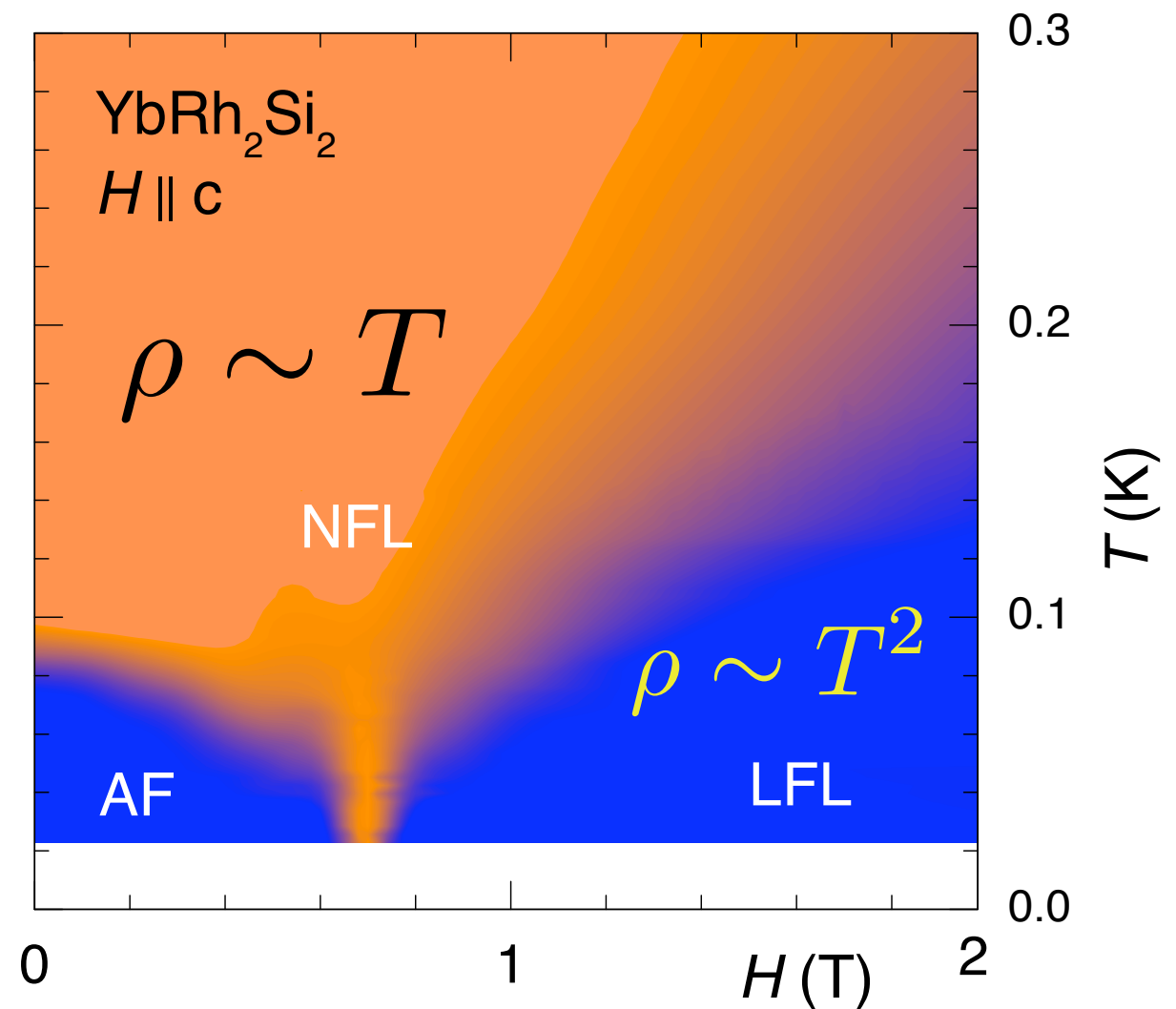
Heavy fermion compounds

Example

YbRh_2Si_2

Kondo lattice

J. Custers et al., Nature 424, 524 (2003)



$$\Theta_D \approx 380 \text{ K}$$

Solutions of the Kondo Problem

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The Kondo Lattice



EPIC FAILURE

The Kondo Lattice



Alexei Tsvelik

“... remains one of the
biggest unsolved problems
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QFT in Condensed Matter Physics
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Let's try AdS/CFT!

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CFT Approach to the Kondo Effect

Affleck and Ludwig 1990s

Reduction to one dimension

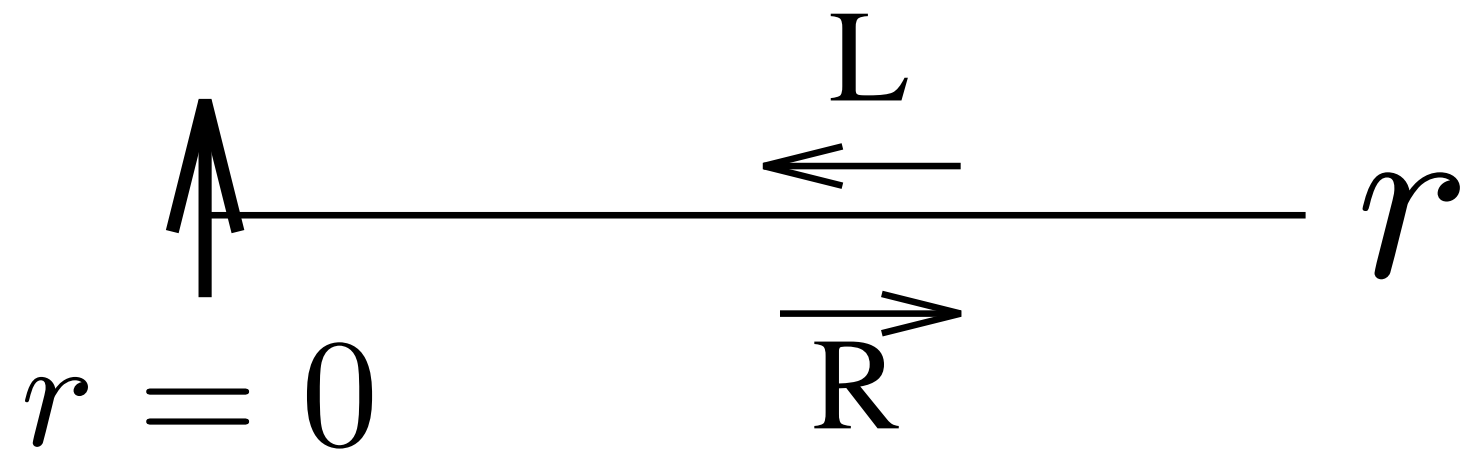
Kondo interaction preserves spherical symmetry

$$g_K \delta^3(\vec{x}) \vec{S} \cdot c^\dagger(\vec{x}) \frac{1}{2} \vec{\tau} c(\vec{x})$$

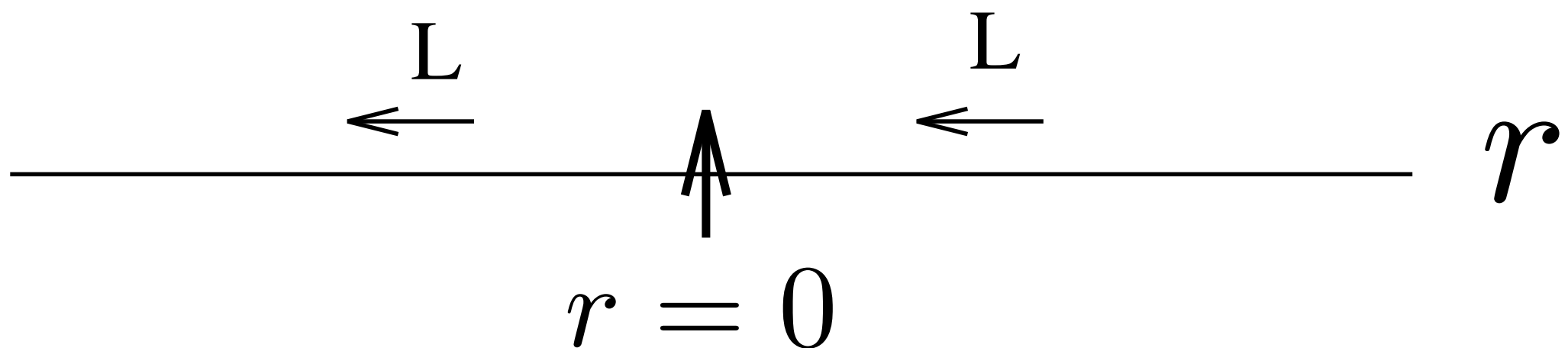
restrict to s-wave

restrict to momenta near k_F

$$c(\vec{x}) \approx \frac{1}{r} \left[e^{-ik_F r} \psi_L(r) - e^{+ik_F r} \psi_R(r) \right]$$



$$\psi_R(+r) \equiv \psi_L(-r)$$



CFT Approach to the Kondo Effect

$$H_K = \frac{v_F}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dr \left[\psi_L^\dagger i \partial_r \psi_L + \delta(r) \tilde{g}_K \vec{S} \cdot \psi_L^\dagger \vec{\tau} \psi_L \right]$$

$$\tilde{g}_K \equiv \frac{k_F^2}{2\pi^2 v_F} \times g_K$$

RELATIVISTIC chiral fermions

v_F = “speed of light”

chiral CFT!

Spin $SU(N)$

$$k \geq 1$$

$$J = \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L$$

$$U(1)$$

$$\vec{J} = \psi_L^\dagger \vec{\tau} \psi_L$$

$$SU(N)$$

$$J^A = \psi_L^\dagger t^A \psi_L$$

$$SU(k)$$

$$z \equiv \tau + ir$$

$$J^A(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} z^{-n-1} J_n^A$$

$$[J_n^A, J_m^B] = if^{ABC} J_{n+m}^C + N \frac{n}{2} \delta^{AB} \delta_{n,-m}$$

$SU(k)_N$ Kac-Moody Algebra

N counts net number of chiral fermions

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Full symmetry:

$(1+1)d$ chiral conformal symmetry

$$SU(N)_k \times SU(k)_N \times U(1)_{kN}$$

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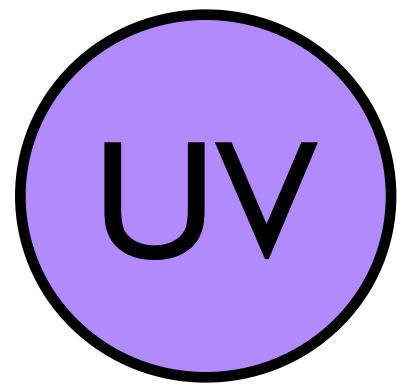
$$J = \psi_L^\dagger \psi_L \quad U(1)$$

$$\vec{J} = \psi_L^\dagger \vec{\tau} \psi_L \quad SU(N)$$

$$J^A = \psi_L^\dagger t^A \psi_L \quad SU(k)$$

Kondo coupling: $\vec{S} \cdot \vec{J}$

marginal

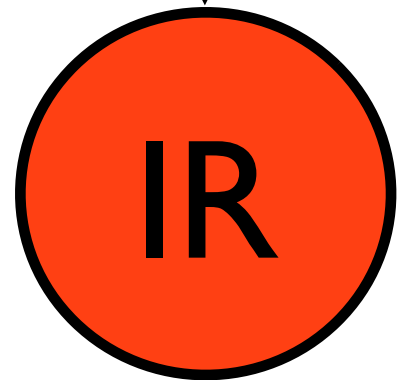


$$SU(N)_k \times SU(k)_N \times U(1)_{Nk}$$

Eigenstates are representations
of the Kac-Moody algebra

Determine how representations
re-arrange between UV and IR

$$R_{\text{highest weight}}^{UV} \otimes R_{\text{imp}} = R_{\text{highest weight}}^{IR}$$



$$SU(N)_k \times SU(k)_N \times U(1)_{Nk}$$

CFT Approach to the Kondo Effect

Take-Away Messages

Central role of the
Kac-Moody Algebra

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GOAL

Find a holographic description
of the
Kondo Effect

What classical action do we write
on the gravity side of the correspondence?

How do we describe holographically...

- ① The chiral fermions?
- ② The impurity?
- ③ The Kondo coupling?

Holography

Top-down:

AdS solution to a string or supergravity theory

Bottom-up:

AdS solution of some *ad hoc* Lagrangian

Top-Down Model

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N_c D3	X	X	X	X						
N_7 D7	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X
N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	

3-3 and 5-5 and 7-7

3-7 and 7-3

3-5 and 5-3

7-5 and 5-7

Open strings

Top-Down Model

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7-5 and 5-7

CFT with holographic dual

Top-Down Model

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N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	

3-3 and 5-5 and 7-7

3-7 and 7-3

3-5 and 5-3

7-5 and 5-7

Decouple



Top-Down Model

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	

3-3 and 5-5 and 7-7

3-7 and 7-3

3-5 and 5-3

7-5 and 5-7

(1+1)-dimensional
chiral fermions

Top-Down Model

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N_c D3	X	X	X	X						
N_7 D7	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X
N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	

3-3 and 5-5 and 7-7

3-7 and 7-3

3-5 and 5-3

7-5 and 5-7

the impurity

Top-Down Model

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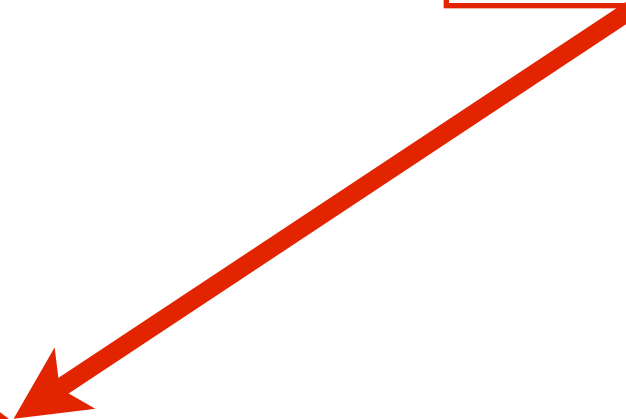
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7-5 and 5-7

Kondo interaction



Previous work

Kachru, Karch, Yaida 0909.2639, 1009.3268

Mück 1012.1973

Faraggi and Pando-Zayas 1101.5145

Jensen, Kachru, Karch, Polchinski, Silverstein 1105.1772

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Benincasa and Ramallo 1112.4669, 1204.6290

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3-3 and 5-5 and 7-7

3-7 and 7-3

3-5 and 5-3

7-5 and 5-7

Absent in previous constructions

The D3-branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N_c D3	X	X	X	X						

3-3 strings

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

$N_c \rightarrow \infty$

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty$

=

Type IIB Supergravity

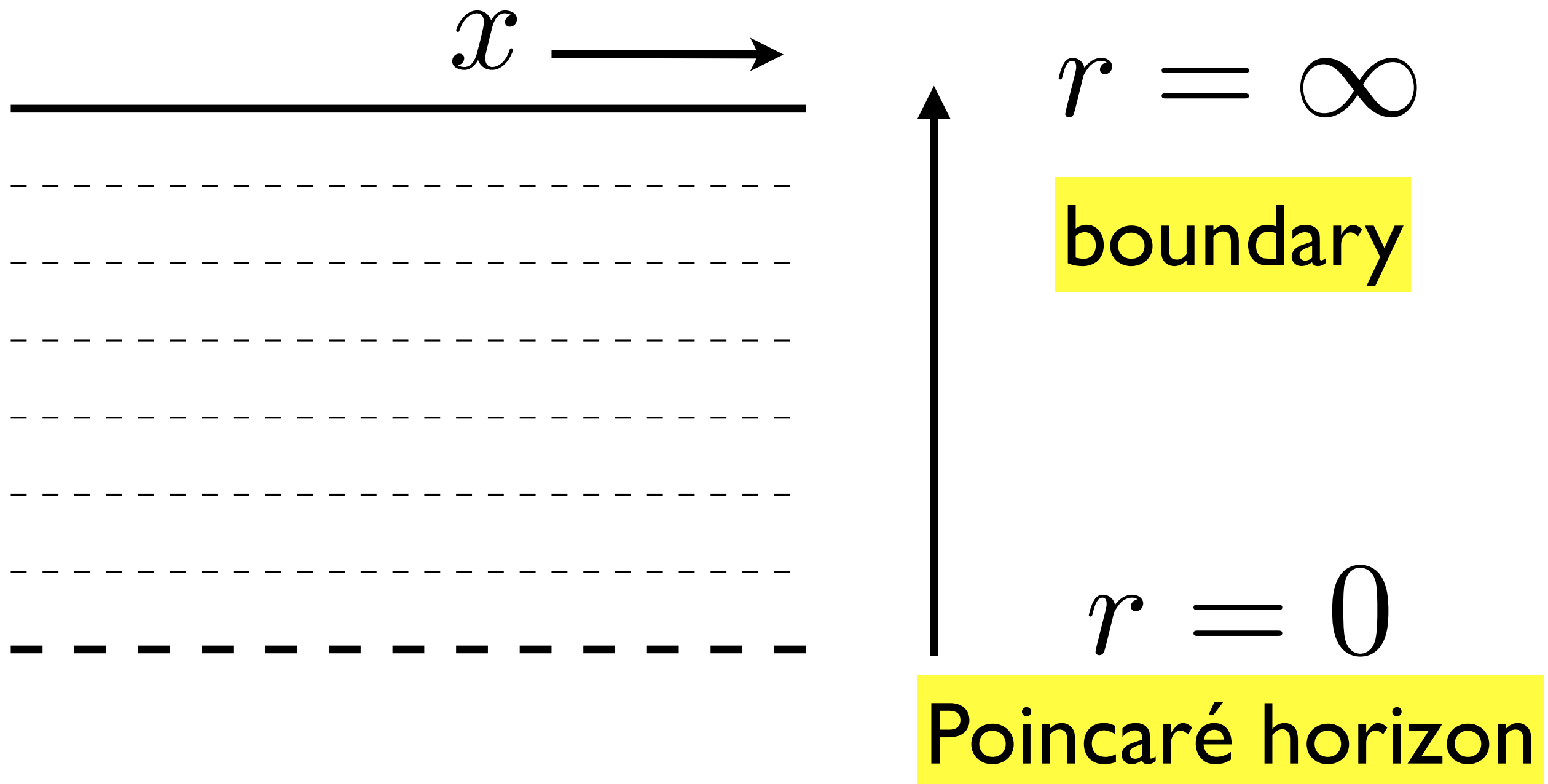
$AdS_5 \times S^5$

$$\int_{S^5} F_5 \propto N_c$$

$$F_5 = dC_4$$

Anti-de Sitter Space

$$ds^2 = \frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2 (-dt^2 + dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2)$$



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3-3 and 5-5 and 7-7

3-7 and 7-3

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7-5 and 5-7

Decouple



Probe Limit

$$N_7/N_c \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } N_5/N_c \rightarrow 0$$

$U(N_7) \times U(N_5)$ becomes a global symmetry

Total symmetry:

$$\underbrace{SU(N_c)}_{\text{gauged}} \times \underbrace{U(N_7) \times U(N_5)}_{\text{global}}$$

(plus R-symmetry)

Top-Down Model

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(1+1)-dimensional
chiral fermions

The D7-branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N_c D3	X	X	X	X						
N_7 D7	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X

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(1+1)-dimensional chiral fermions ψ_L

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N_c

\overline{N}_7

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(1+1)-dimensional chiral fermions ψ_L

Kac-Moody algebra

$$SU(N_c)_{N_7} \times SU(N_7)_{N_c} \times U(1)_{N_c N_7}$$

The D7-branes

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N_7 D7	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X

(1+1)-dimensional chiral fermions ψ_L

Differences from Kondo

Do not come from reduction from (3+1) dimensions

Genuinely relativistic

The D7-branes

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(1+1)-dimensional chiral fermions ψ_L

Differences from Kondo

$SU(N_c)$ is gauged!

$$\vec{J} = \psi_L^\dagger \vec{\tau} \psi_L$$

The D7-branes

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$SU(N_c)$ is gauged!



Gauge Anomaly!



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Probe Limit

$$N_7/N_c \rightarrow 0$$

In the probe limit, the gauge anomaly is suppressed...

$$SU(N_c)_{N_7} \rightarrow SU(N_c)$$

... but the global anomalies are not.

$$SU(N_7)_{N_c} \times U(1)_{N_c N_7} \rightarrow SU(N_7)_{N_c} \times U(1)_{N_c N_7}$$

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

$N_c \rightarrow \infty$

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty$

$=$

Type IIB Supergravity

$AdS_5 \times S^5$

Probe ψ_L

$=$

Probe D7-branes

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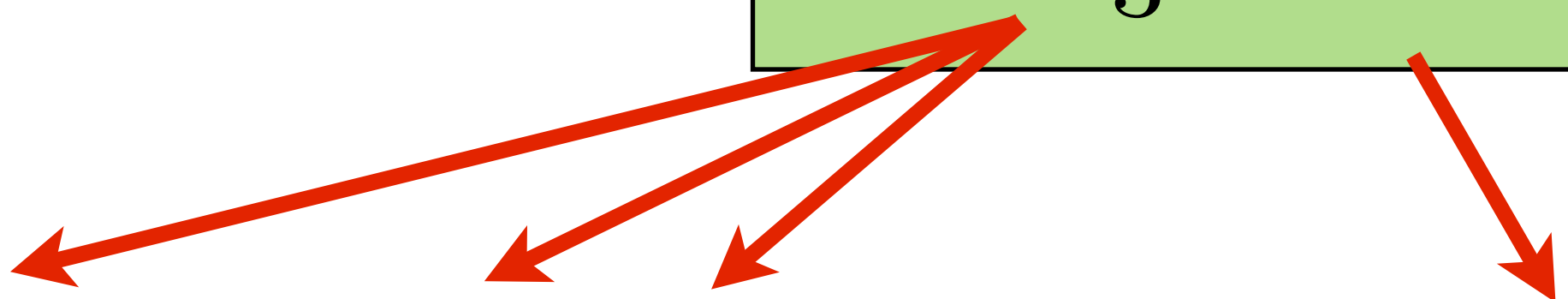
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$AdS_3 \times S^5$

$U(N_7)$ Current J

$=$

$U(N_7)$ Gauge field A

$$\text{Current } J = \text{Gauge field } A$$

$$\text{Kac-Moody Algebra} = \text{Chern-Simons Gauge Field}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{rank and level} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{algebra} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{rank and level} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{gauge field} \end{array}$$

Gukov, Martinec, Moore, Strominger
hep-th/0403225

Kraus and Larsen
hep-th/0607138

Probe D7-branes along $AdS_3 \times S^5$

$$S_{D7} = +\frac{1}{2}T_{D7}(2\pi\alpha')^2 \int P[C_4] \wedge \text{tr} F \wedge F + \dots$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}T_{D7}(2\pi\alpha')^2 \int P[F_5] \wedge \text{tr} \left(A \wedge dA + \frac{2}{3} A \wedge A \wedge A \right) + \dots$$

$$= -\frac{N_c}{4\pi} \int_{AdS_3} \text{tr} \left(A \wedge dA + \frac{2}{3} A \wedge A \wedge A \right) + \dots$$

$U(N_7)_{N_c}$ Chern-Simons gauge field

Answer #1

The chiral fermions:

Chern-Simons Gauge Field in AdS_3

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the impurity

The D5-branes

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N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	

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(0+1)-dimensional fermions χ

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The D5-branes

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N_c D3	X	X	X	X						
N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	

$SU(N_c)$ is “spin”

$$\vec{S} = \chi^\dagger \vec{\tau} \chi$$

“slave fermions”

“Abrikosov pseudo-fermions”

Abrikosov, **Physics** 2, p.5 (1965)

$$N_5 = 1$$

Integrate out χ

$$\text{Det}(\not{D}) = \text{Tr}_R P \exp \left[i \int dt A_t \right]$$

$$R = \left. \begin{array}{c} \square \\ \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{array} \right\} Q = \chi^\dagger \chi$$

$$U(N_5) = U(1) \text{ charge}$$

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$=$

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Probe χ

$=$

Probe D5-branes

$AdS_2 \times S^4$

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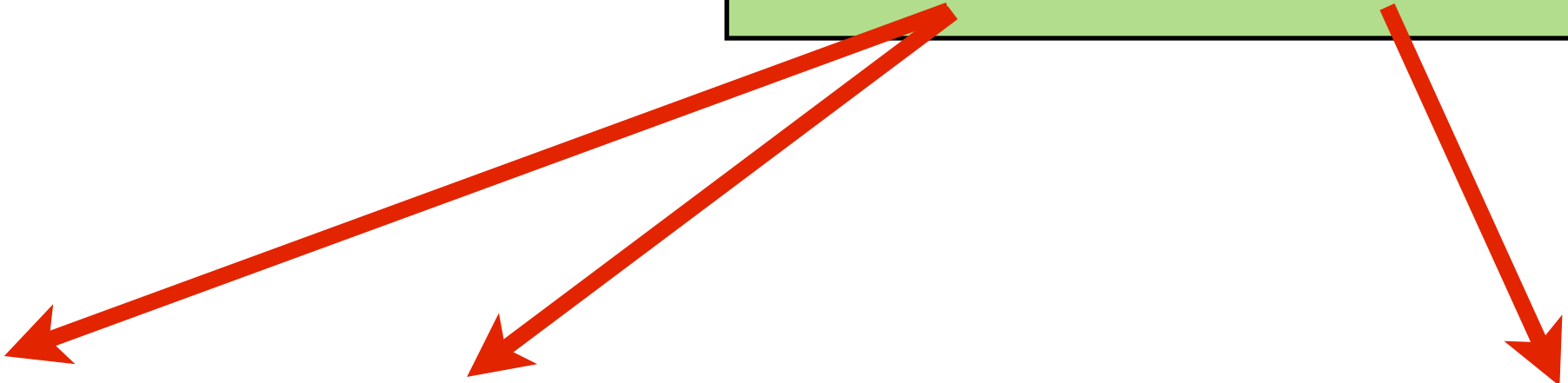
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Probe χ

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Probe D5-branes

$AdS_2 \times S^4$

$U(N_5)$ Current J

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$U(N_5)$ Gauge field a

Q

$=$

Electric flux

Probe D5-brane along $AdS_2 \times S^4$

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Dissolve Q strings into the D5-brane

AdS_2 electric field $f_{rt} = \partial_r a_t - \partial_t a_r$

$$\sqrt{-g} f^{tr} \big|_{\partial AdS_2} = Q = \chi^\dagger \chi$$

Answer #2

The impurity:

Yang-Mills Gauge Field in AdS_2

R_{imp}

=

electric flux

Top-Down Model

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3-7 and 7-3

3-5 and 5-3

7-5 and 5-7

Kondo interaction



The Kondo Interaction

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	
N_7 D7	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X

Complex scalar!

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 SU(N_c) & \times & U(N_7) & \times & U(N_5) \\
 \text{singlet} & & \overline{N}_7 & & N_5
 \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{O} \equiv \psi_L^\dagger \chi$$

The Kondo Interaction

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
N_5 D5	X				X	X	X	X	X	
N_7 D7	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X

TACHYON

$$m_{\text{tachyon}}^2 = -\frac{1}{4\alpha'}$$

D5 becomes magnetic flux in the D7

The Kondo Interaction

$SU(N_c)$ is “spin”

$$\vec{J} = \psi_L^\dagger \vec{\tau} \psi_L$$

$$\vec{S} = \chi^\dagger \vec{\tau} \chi$$

$$\vec{S} \cdot \vec{J} = \chi^\dagger \vec{\tau} \chi \cdot \psi_L^\dagger \vec{\tau} \psi_L$$

$$\vec{\tau}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\tau}_{kl} = \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} - \frac{1}{N_c} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl}$$

$$\vec{S} \cdot \vec{J} = |\psi_L^\dagger \chi|^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/N_c)$$

“double trace”

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

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Type IIB Supergravity

$AdS_5 \times S^5$

Probe ψ_L

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Bi-fundamental scalar

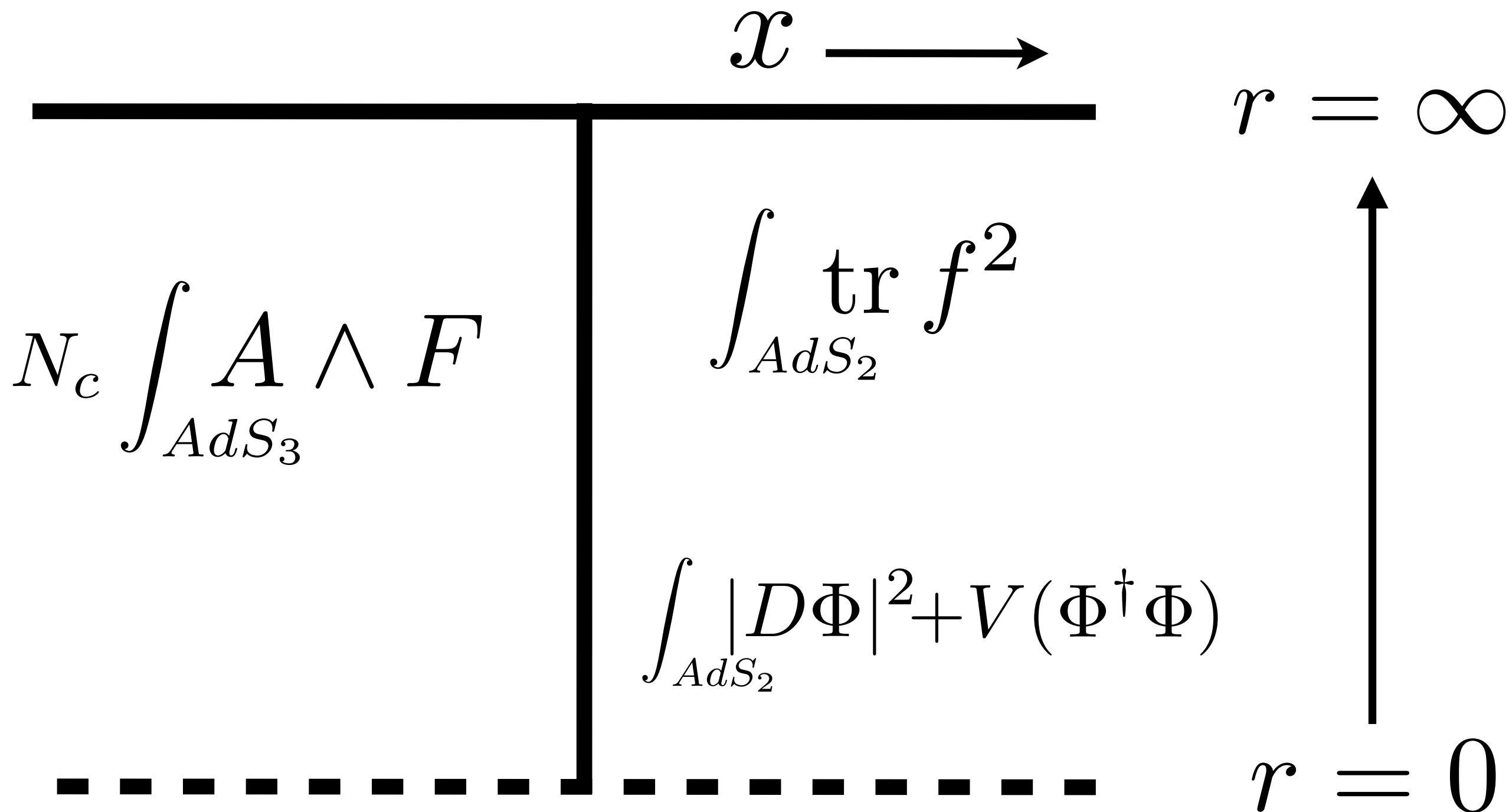
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Answer #3

The Kondo interaction:

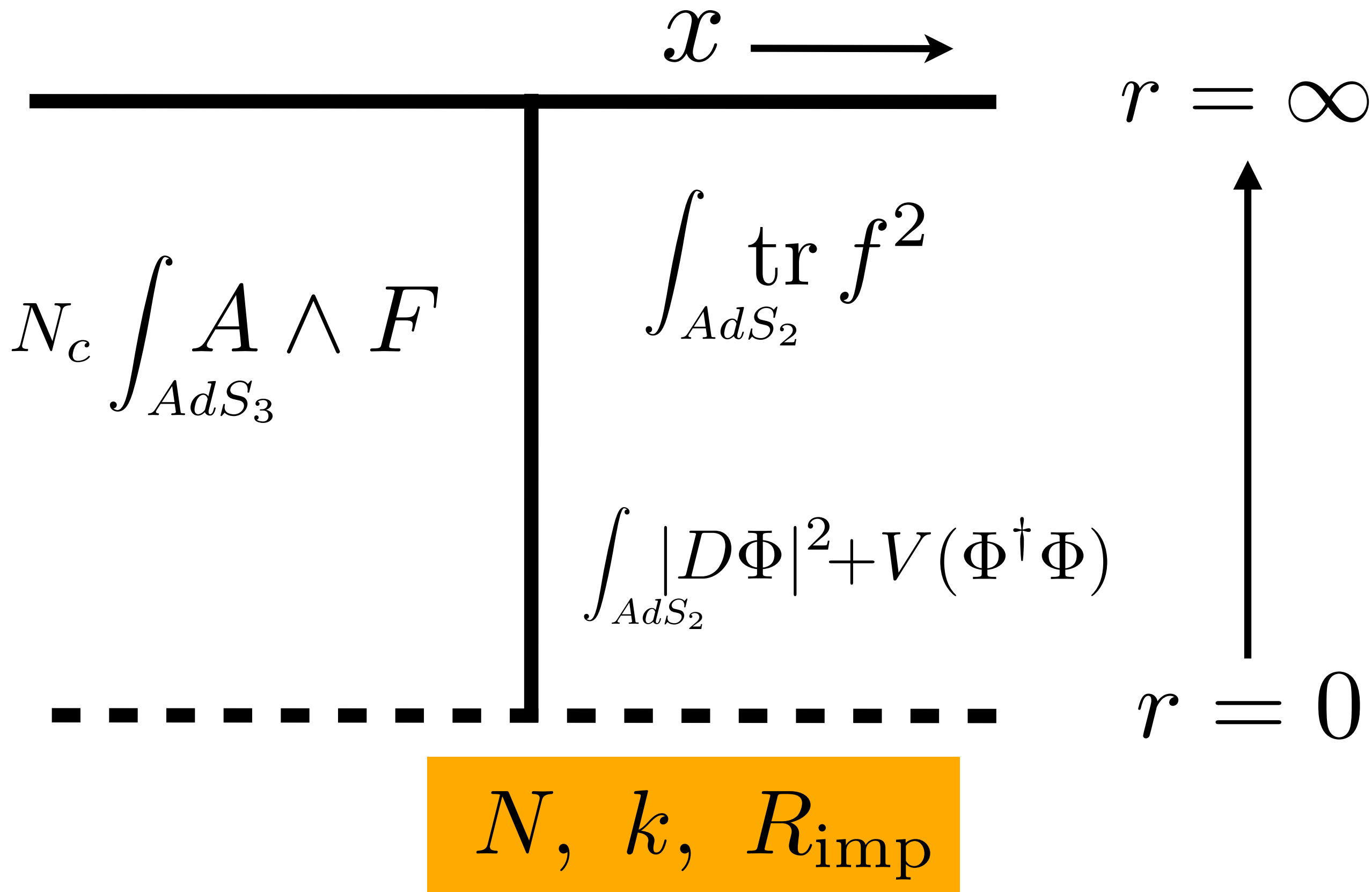
Bi-fundamental scalar in AdS_2

Top-Down Model

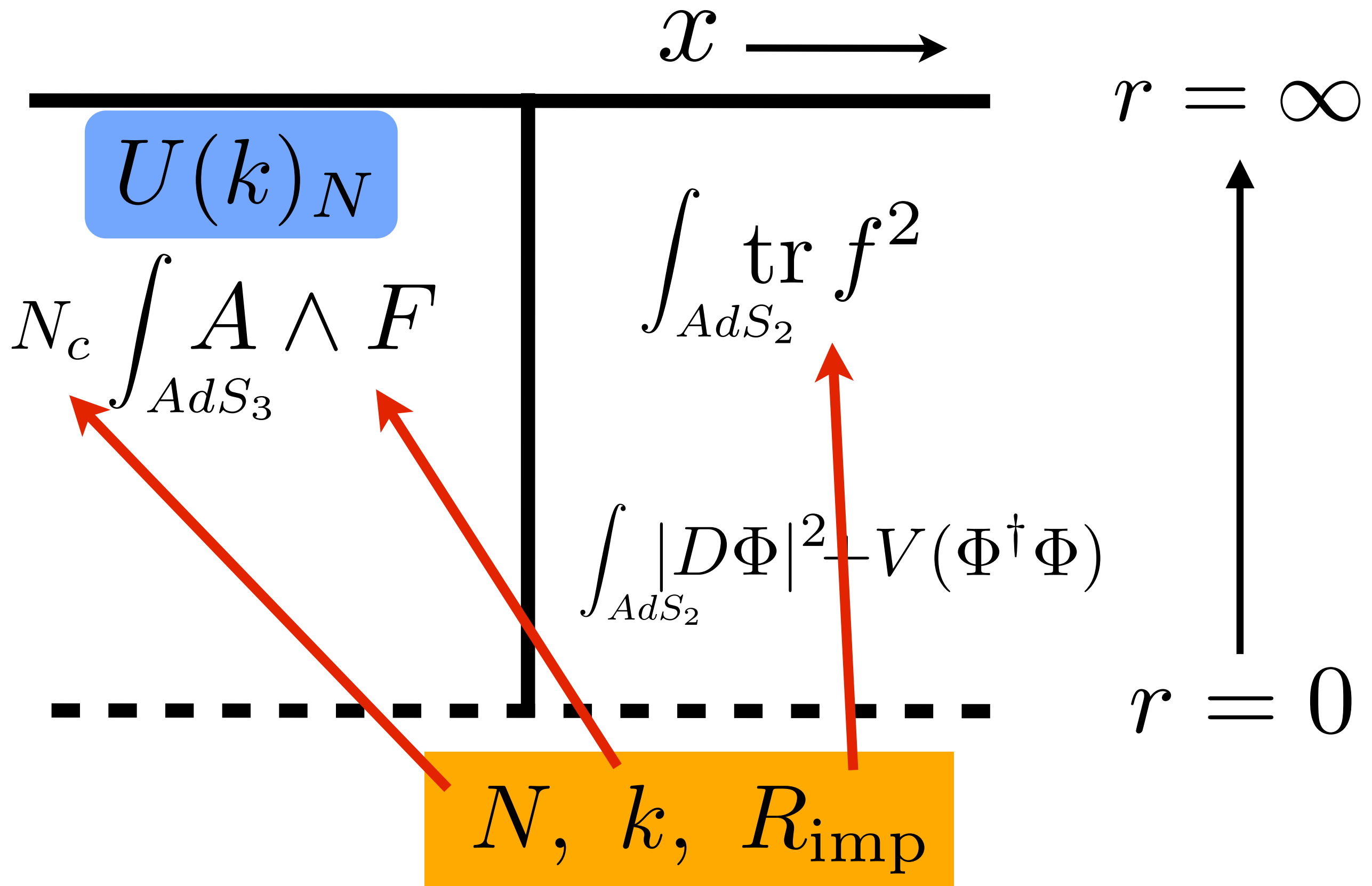


$$D\Phi = \partial\Phi + iA\Phi - ia\Phi$$

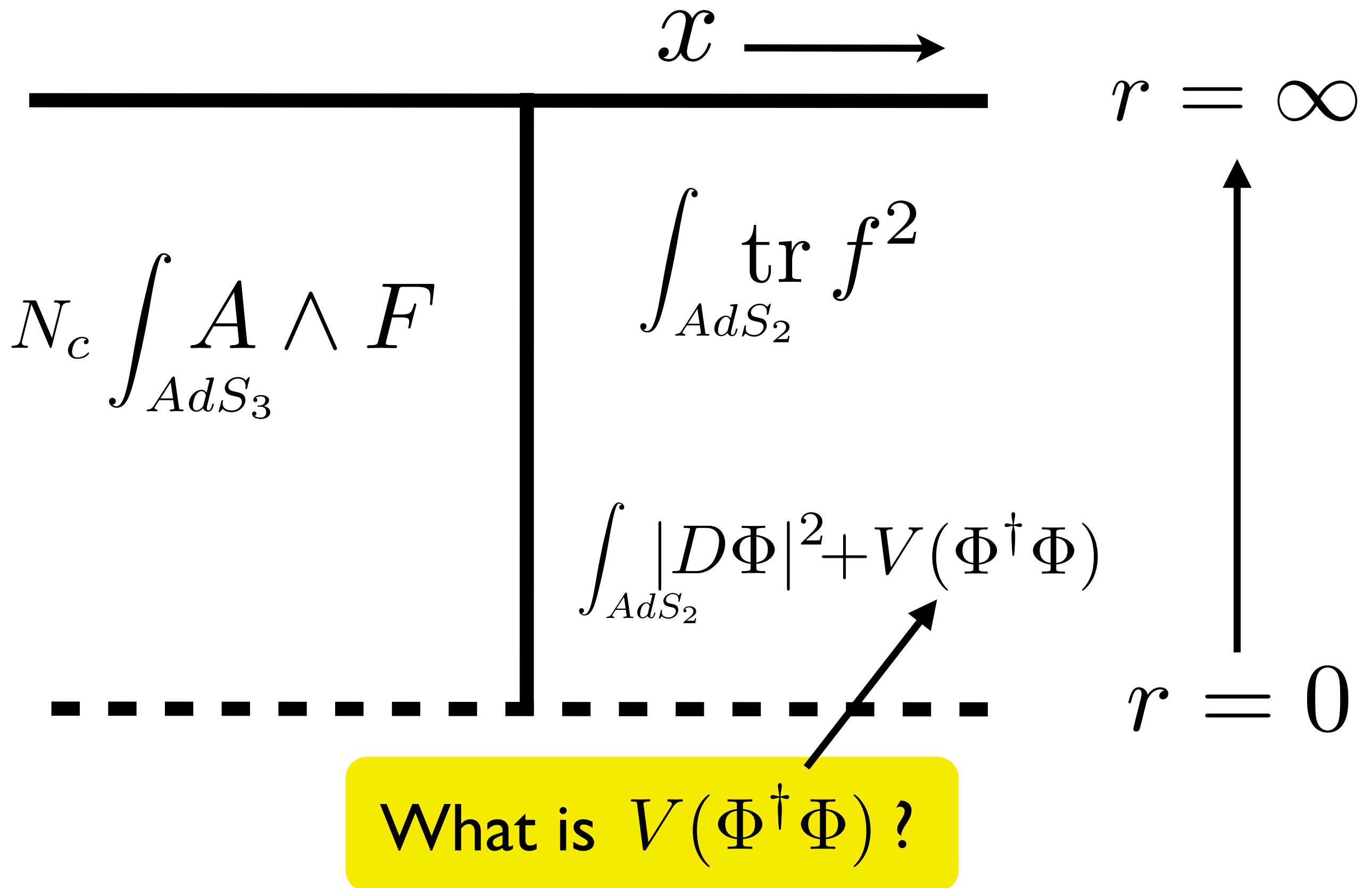
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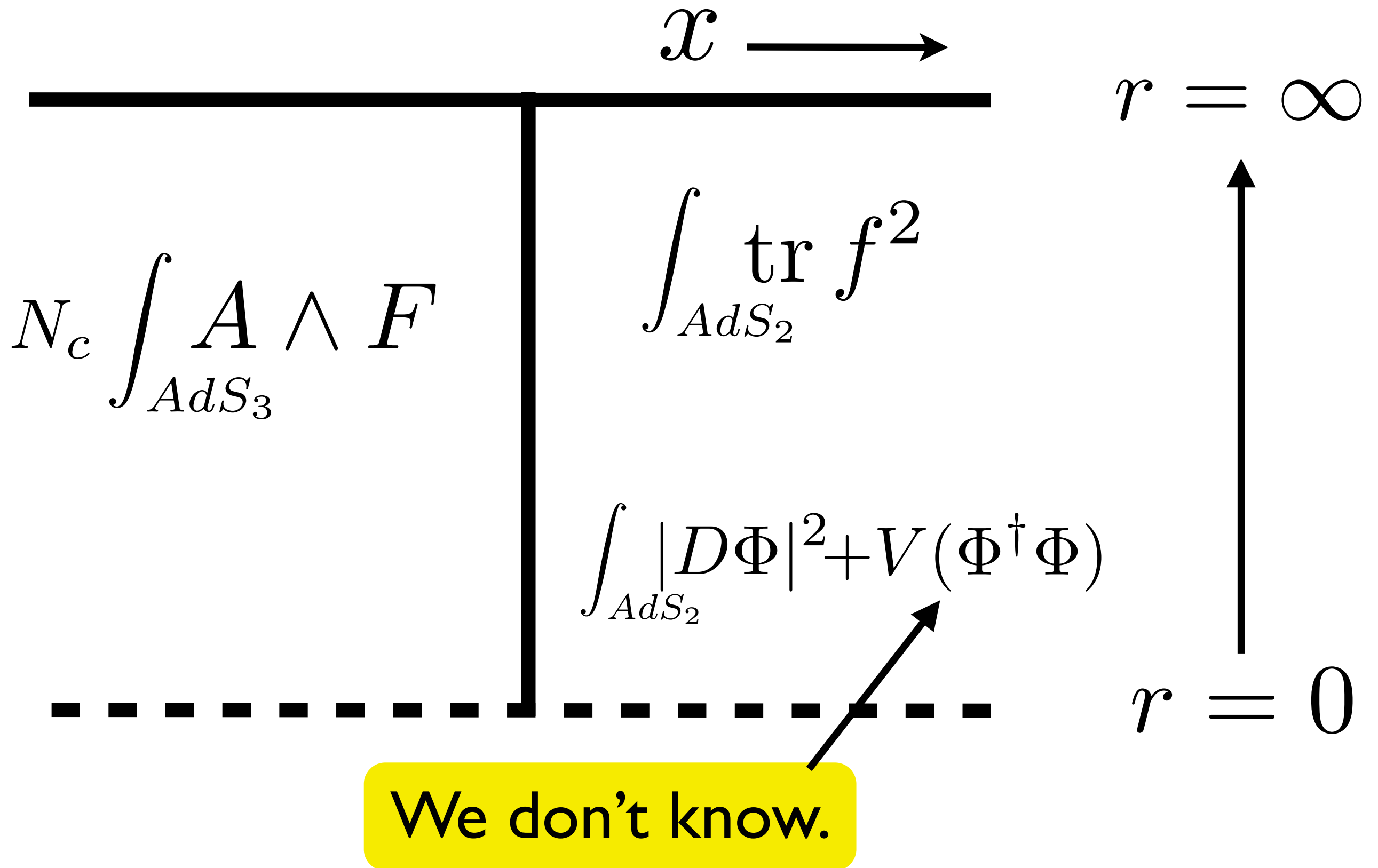
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Top-Down Model



Top-Down Model



Top-Down Model

What is $V(\Phi^\dagger \Phi)$?

Calculation in $\mathbb{R}^{9,1}$

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Aganagic, Gopakumar, Minwalla, Strominger hep-th/0009142

Difficult to calculate in $AdS_5 \times S^5$

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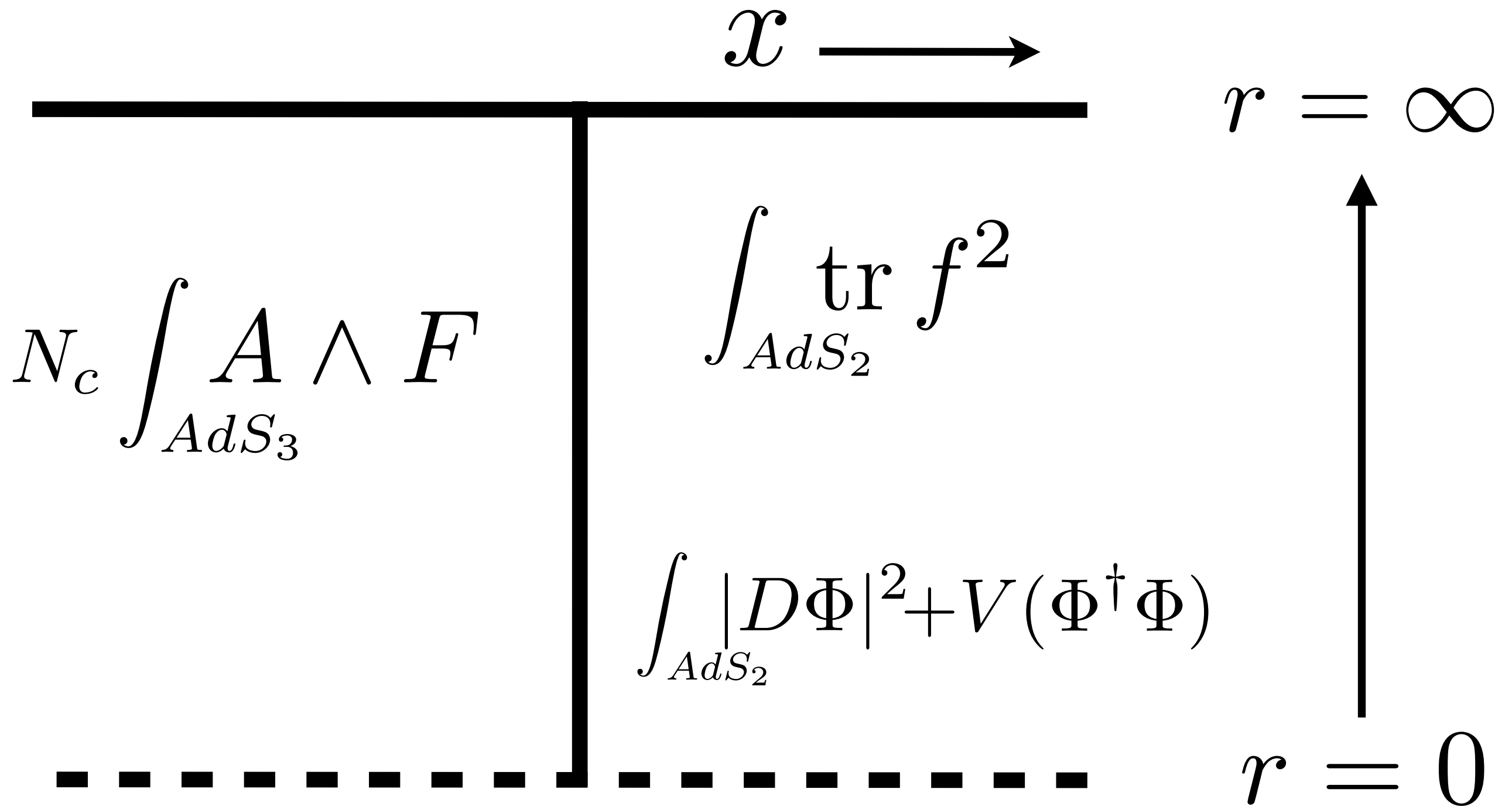
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Switch to bottom-up model!

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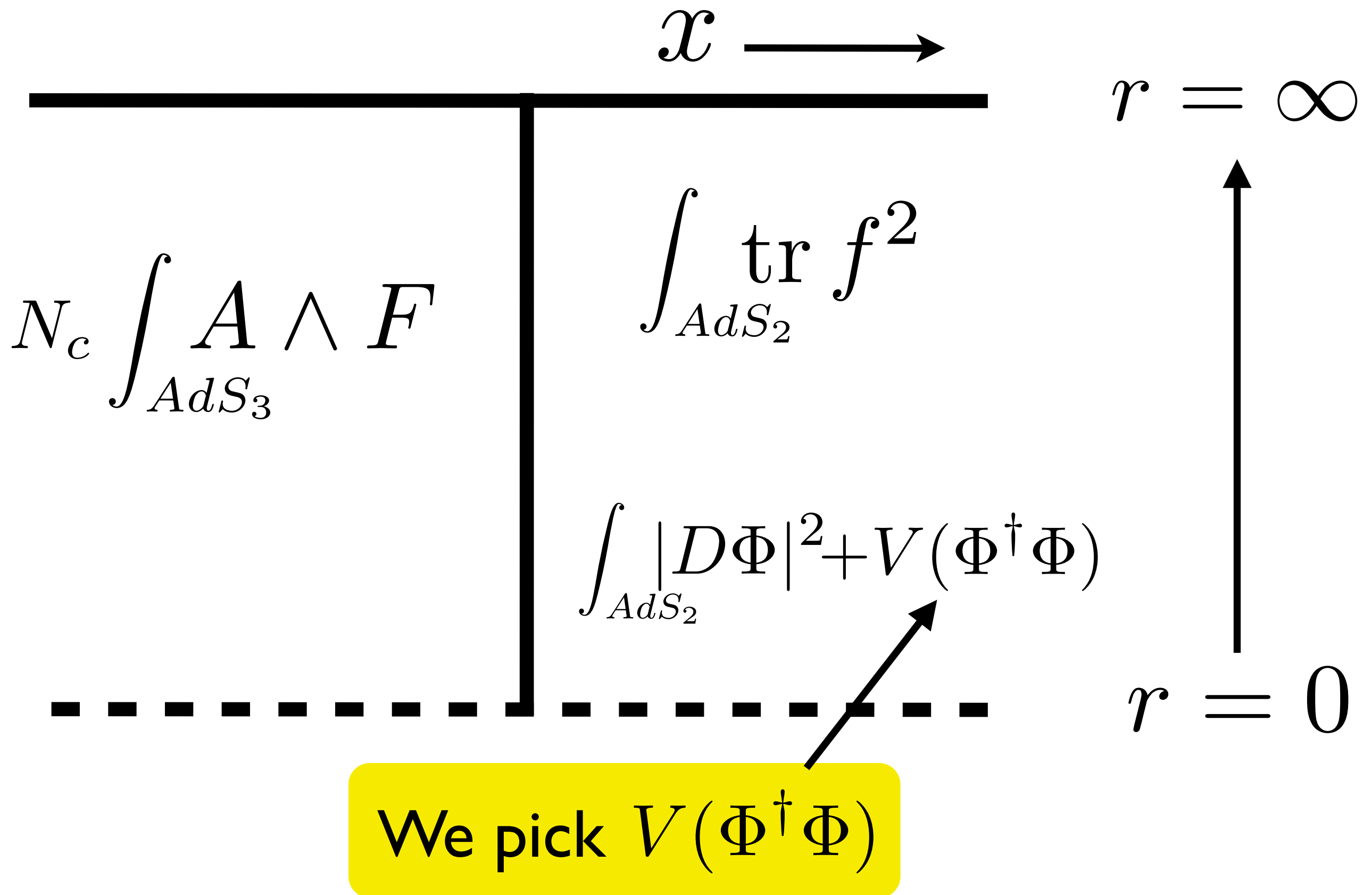
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Bottom-Up Model

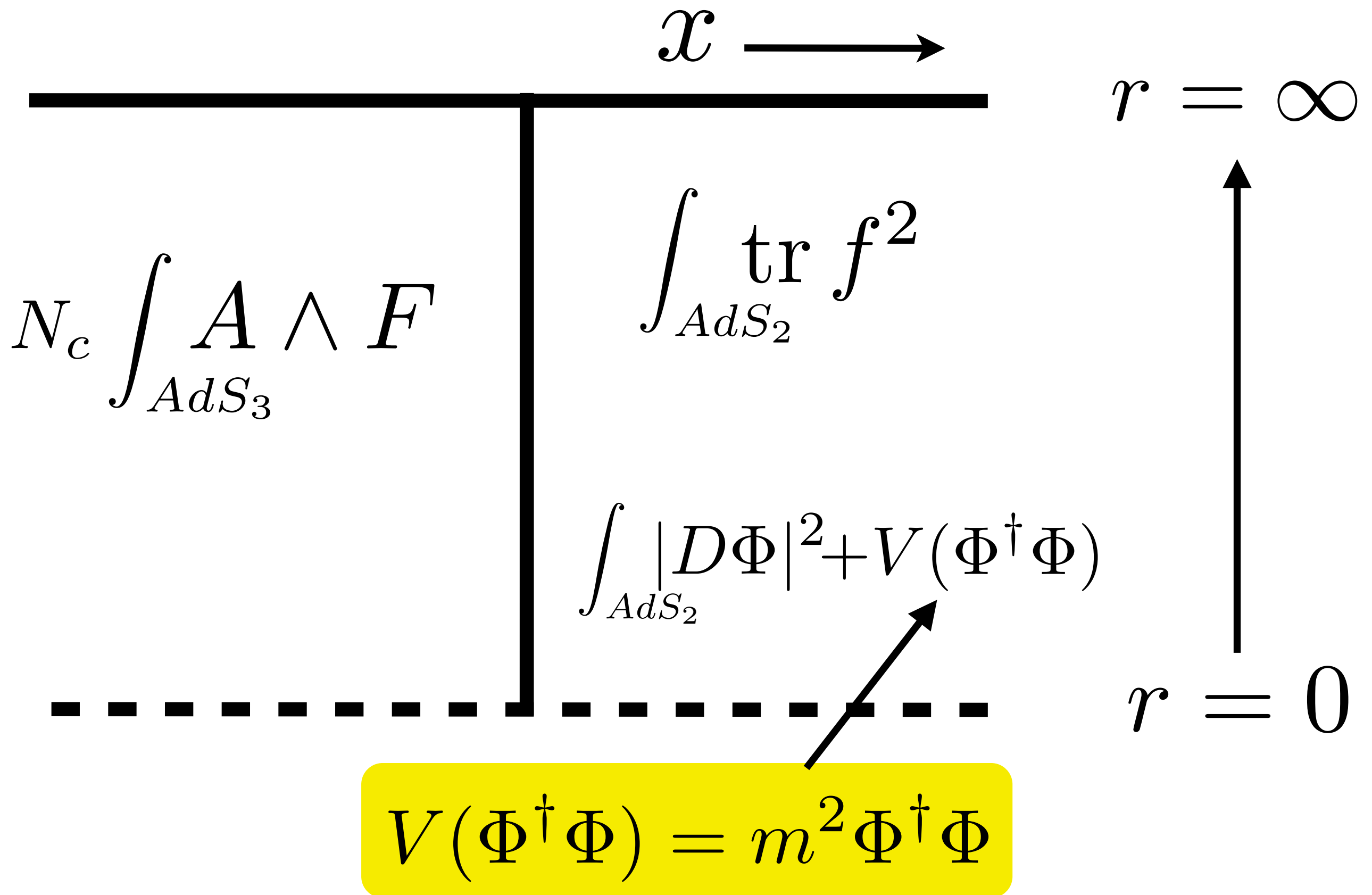


$$D\Phi = \partial\Phi + iA\Phi - ia\Phi$$

Bottom-Up Model



Bottom-Up Model



Bottom-Up Model

$$S = S_{CS} + S_{AdS_2}$$

$$S_{CS} = -\frac{N}{4\pi} \int \text{tr} \left(A \wedge dA + \frac{2}{3} A \wedge A \wedge A \right)$$

$$S_{AdS_2} = - \int d^3x \, \delta(x) \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} f^2 + |D\Phi|^2 + V(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \right]$$

$$D\Phi = \partial\Phi + iA\Phi - ia\Phi$$

$$V(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) = m^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi$$

Probe limit

$U(1)$ gauge fields

Chern-Simons

$$F = dA$$

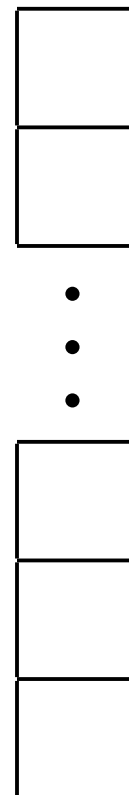
AdS_2

$$f = da$$

Single channel

$$U(1)_{N_c}$$

$$R_{\text{imp}} =$$



Boundary Conditions

$$\sqrt{-g} f^{rt} \big|_{\partial AdS_2} = Q$$

We choose $m^2 =$ Breitenlohner-Freedman bound

$$\Phi(r) = \tilde{c} r^{-1/2} + c r^{-1/2} \log r + \dots$$

Our double-trace (Kondo) coupling:

$$c = \tilde{g}_K \tilde{c}$$

AdS -Schwarzschild black hole

Hawking temperature

=

T

$$T > T_c$$

$$\sqrt{-g} f^{tr} \big|_{\partial AdS_2} \neq 0 \quad \Phi(r) = 0$$

$$\langle \psi_L^\dagger \chi \rangle = 0$$

$$T < T_c$$

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A holographic superconductor in AdS_2

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Superconductivity???

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The large- N Kondo effect!

Solutions of the Kondo Problem

Numerical RG (Wilson 1975)

Fermi liquid description (Nozières 1975)

Bethe Ansatz/Integrability
(Andrei, Wiegmann, Tsvelick, Destri, ... 1980s)

Large-N expansion
(Anderson, Read, Newns, Doniach, Coleman, ... 1970-80s)

Quantum Monte Carlo
(Hirsch, Fye, Gubernatis, Scalapino, ... 1980s)

Conformal Field Theory (CFT)
(Affleck and Ludwig 1990s)

Large-N Approach to the Kondo Effect

Spin $SU(N)$

$R_{\text{imp}} = \text{anti-symm.}$

$k = 1$

$N \rightarrow \infty$ with $N g_K$ fixed

$$\vec{S} = \chi^\dagger \vec{\tau} \chi$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\tau) \equiv c^\dagger(0, \tau) \chi(\tau)$$

$\underbrace{SU(N)}_{\text{singlet}} \times \underbrace{U(1) \times U(1)}_{\text{bi-fundamental}}$

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$$T_c \simeq T_K$$

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Represents the binding of an electron to the impurity

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$$U(1) \times U(1) \longrightarrow U(1)$$

“(0+1)-DIMENSIONAL SYMMETRY BREAKING”

Large-N Approach to the Kondo Effect

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The phase transition is an ARTIFACT of the large-N limit!

The actual Kondo effect is a crossover

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The large- N Kondo effect!

Work in Progress...

- Entropy?
- Heat capacity?
- Magnetic susceptibility?
- Resistivity?

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Summary

What is the holographic dual of the Kondo effect?

Holographic superconductor in AdS_2
with a special boundary condition on the scalar
coupled as a defect
to a Chern-Simons gauge field in AdS_3

Outlook

- Multi-channel?
- Other impurity representations?
- Spin as global symmetry?
- Entanglement entropy?
- Quantum Quench?
- Multiple impurities?
- Suggestions welcome!

Thank You.