

Emission noise in an interacting quantum dot

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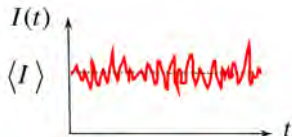
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FLUCTUATIONS

Current under DC voltage

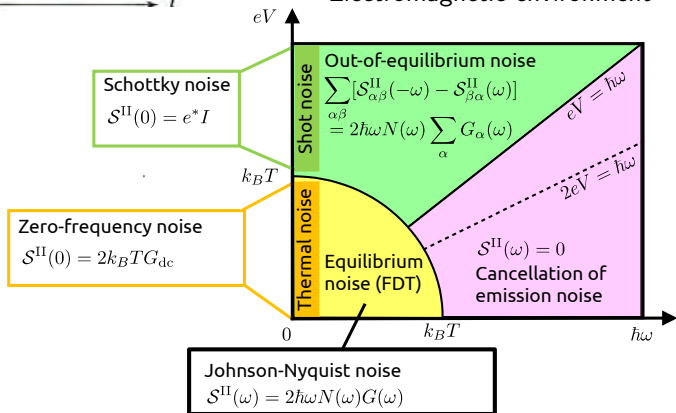


Origin

- Thermal agitation
- Impurities/Defects
- Probabilistic nature of transfer
- Electromagnetic environment

Information contains in noise

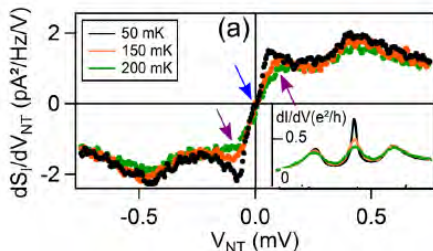
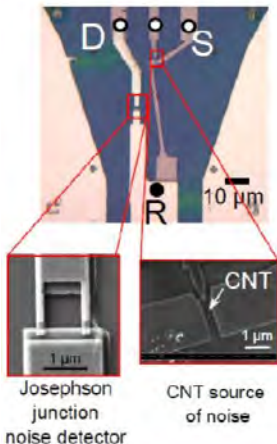
Crépieux,
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Michelini,
IEEE (2017)



FINITE-FREQUENCY NOISE MEASUREMENT

Delagrangé, Basset, Bouchiat, Deblock, PRB 97, 041412R (2018)

Nanotube quantum dot in the Kondo regime



$$\omega = 12 \text{ GHz}$$

$$T = 80 \text{ mK}$$

$$T_K \approx 350 \text{ mK}$$

$$a = \Gamma_L/\Gamma_R = 11$$

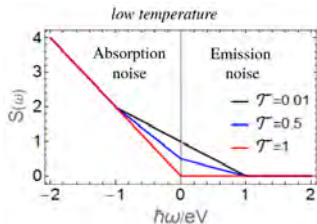
Strong asymmetry of the barriers

NON-SYMMETRIZED NOISE

Definition: $S_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle \Delta \hat{I}_{\alpha}(t) \Delta \hat{I}_{\beta}(0) \rangle$

with $\Delta \hat{I}_{\alpha}(t) = \hat{I}_{\alpha}(t) - \langle \hat{I}_{\alpha} \rangle$

Simple example of noise spectrum



$S(\omega > 0) \Rightarrow$ Emission noise

$S(\omega < 0) \Rightarrow$ Absorption noise

Lesovik, Loosen, JETP Lett. 65, 295 (1997)

Aguado, Kouwenhoven, PRL 84, 1986 (2000)

Emission noise cancels at $\hbar\omega \gg eV$

At equilibrium

KMS: $S(-\omega) = e^{\hbar\omega/k_B T} S(\omega)$

$S_{\text{sym}}(\omega) = 2\hbar\omega \left[\frac{1}{2} + N(\omega) \right] G(\omega)$

Zero-point noise fluctuations

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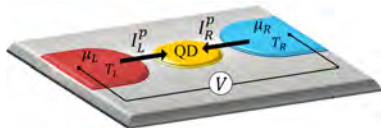
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INTERACTING QUANTUM DOT

System



Single-level interacting QD

connected to 2 reservoirs

Bias voltage: $eV = \mu_L - \mu_R$

Coupling asymmetry: $a = \Gamma_L/\Gamma_R$

Anderson Hamiltonian

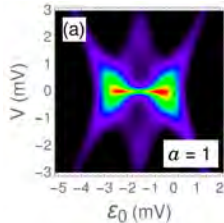
$$H = \sum_{k \in \{L,R\}, \sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon_0 d_{\sigma}^\dagger d_{\sigma} + U n_{\uparrow} n_{\downarrow} + \sum_{k \in \{L,R\}, \sigma} V_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger d_{\sigma} + h.c.$$

Green function

$$G_{\sigma}^r(\epsilon) = \frac{1 - \langle n_{\bar{\sigma}} \rangle}{\epsilon - \epsilon_0 - \Sigma_{\sigma}^0(\epsilon) - \Pi_{\sigma}^{(1)}(\epsilon)} + \frac{\langle n_{\bar{\sigma}} \rangle}{\epsilon - \epsilon_0 - U - \Sigma_{\sigma}^0(\epsilon) - \Pi_{\sigma}^{(2)}(\epsilon)}$$

Roermund, Shiao, Lavagna, PRB 81, 165115 (2010)

Differential conductance



NOISE CALCULATION

$$\mathcal{S}_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{-i\omega t} \langle \Delta \hat{I}_{\alpha}(t) \Delta \hat{I}_{\beta}(0) \rangle \quad \text{with } \Delta \hat{I}_{\alpha}(t) = \hat{I}_{\alpha}(t) - \langle \hat{I}_{\alpha} \rangle$$

Current operator

$$\hat{I}_{\alpha} = \frac{ie}{\hbar} \sum_{k \in \alpha, \sigma} \left(V_k c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\sigma} - V_k^* d_{\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{k\sigma} \right)$$

Two-particle Keldysh Green functions

$$G_1^{cd, >}(t, t') = i^2 \langle c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger}(t) d_{\sigma}(t) c_{k'\sigma'}^{\dagger}(t') d_{\sigma}(t') \rangle$$

$$G_2^{cd, >}(t, t') = i^2 \langle c_{k\sigma}^{\dagger}(t) d_{\sigma}(t) d_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(t') c_{k'\sigma'}(t') \rangle$$

$$G_3^{cd, >}(t, t') = i^2 \langle d_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(t) c_{k\sigma}(t) c_{k'\sigma'}^{\dagger}(t') d_{\sigma}(t') \rangle$$

$$G_4^{cd, >}(t, t') = i^2 \langle d_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(t) c_{k\sigma}(t) d_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(t') c_{k'\sigma'}(t') \rangle$$

Steps

- Calculation of $G_{1,2,3,4}^{cd, T}(t, t')$ + Decoupling
- Many electron-hole pair processes are neglected
- Langreth rules to get Keldysh Green functions
- Flat wide-band approximation

RESULT

$$\mathcal{S}_{\alpha\beta}(\omega) = \frac{e^2}{h} \sum_{\gamma\delta} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\varepsilon M_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma\delta}(\varepsilon, \omega) f_{\gamma}^e(\varepsilon) f_{\delta}^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

where

$M_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma\delta}(\varepsilon, \nu)$	$\gamma = \delta = L$	$\gamma = \delta = R$	$\gamma = L, \delta = R$	$\gamma = R, \delta = L$
$\alpha = L$ $\beta = L$	$T_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon)T_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$ $+ t_{LL}(\varepsilon) - t_{LL}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) ^2$	$T_{LR}(\varepsilon)T_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$	$[1 - T_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon)]T_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$	$T_{LR}(\varepsilon)[1 - T_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)]$
$\alpha = R$ $\beta = R$	$T_{LR}(\varepsilon)T_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$	$T_{LR}^{\text{eff},R}(\varepsilon)T_{LR}^{\text{eff},R}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$ $+ t_{RR}(\varepsilon) - t_{RR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) ^2$	$T_{LR}(\varepsilon)[1 - T_{LR}^{\text{eff},R}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)]$	$[1 - T_{LR}^{\text{eff},R}(\varepsilon)]T_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$
$\alpha = L$ $\beta = R$	$t_{LR}(\varepsilon)t_{LR}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$ $\times [r_{LL}^*(\varepsilon)r_{LL}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) - 1]$	$t_{LR}^*(\varepsilon)t_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$ $\times [r_{RR}(\varepsilon)r_{RR}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) - 1]$	$t_{LR}(\varepsilon)t_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$ $\times r_{LL}^*(\varepsilon)r_{RR}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$	$t_{LR}^*(\varepsilon)t_{LR}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$ $\times r_{RR}(\varepsilon)r_{LL}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$
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and

- $f_{\gamma}^e(\varepsilon), f_{\delta}^h(\varepsilon) =$ Distribution function for **electrons**, **holes**
- $t_{\alpha\beta}(\varepsilon) = i\sqrt{\Gamma_{\alpha}\Gamma_{\beta}}G_{\text{dot}}^r(\varepsilon)$ and $\mathcal{T}_{\alpha\beta}(\varepsilon) = |t_{\alpha\beta}(\varepsilon)|^2$
- $T_{LR}^{\text{eff},\alpha}(\varepsilon) = 2\text{Re}\{t_{\alpha\alpha}(\varepsilon)\} - \mathcal{T}_{\alpha\alpha}(\varepsilon)$

Effective transmission coefficient includes inelastic contributions

ELASTIC CONTRIBUTIONS ONLY

Optical theorem

Unitary of the S-matrix: $\mathbf{S}\mathbf{S}^+ = \mathbf{1}$ with $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{1} + i\mathbf{T}$

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} it_{LL}(\varepsilon) & it_{LR}(\varepsilon) \\ it_{RL}(\varepsilon) & it_{RR}(\varepsilon) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 2\text{Re}\{t_{\alpha\alpha}(\varepsilon)\} - \mathcal{T}_{\alpha\alpha}(\varepsilon) = \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon)$$
$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},\alpha}(\varepsilon) = \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon)$$

Noise in the L-reservoir

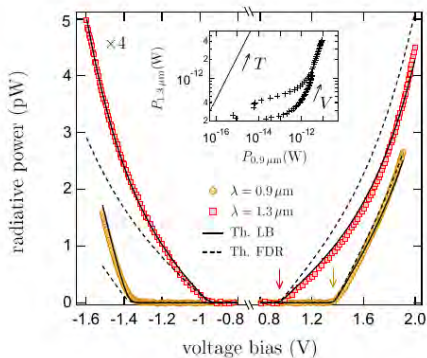
$$S_{LL}(\omega) = \frac{e^2}{h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\varepsilon \left[\mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon)\mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) f_R^e(\varepsilon) f_R^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \right. \\ + [1 - \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon)] \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) f_L^e(\varepsilon) f_R^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \\ + \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon) [1 - \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)] f_R^e(\varepsilon) f_L^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \\ \left. + [\mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon)\mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) + |t_{LL}(\varepsilon) - t_{LL}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)|^2] f_L^e(\varepsilon) f_L^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \right]$$

In agreement with *Büttiker (1992)* and *Hammer, Belzig (2011)*

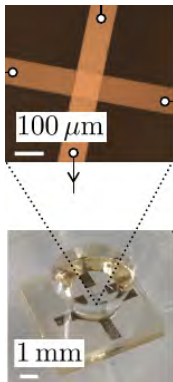
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TUNNEL JUNCTION (Al/AIO_x/Al)



Février, Gabelli, arXiv:1707.03803

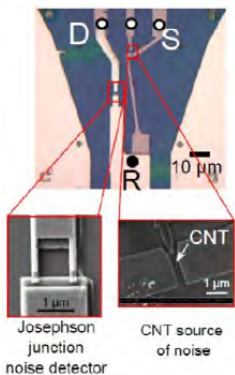


$T = 100 \text{ K}$

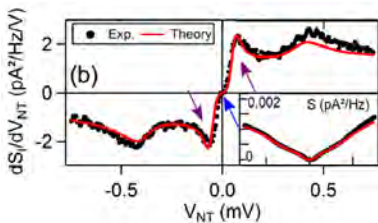
$$P = S_{LL}(\omega) + S_{RR}(\omega) - [S_{LR}(\omega) + S_{RL}(\omega)]$$

with $S_{LL}(\omega) \neq S_{RR}(\omega)$ and $S_{LL}(\omega) \neq -S_{LR}(\omega)$

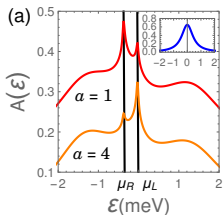
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*Delagrangé, Basset
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PRB 97, 041412R (2018)*



- Plateau at $eV < \hbar\omega$
- Kondo peak at $eV \approx \pm\hbar\omega$
- Coulomb blockade at $eV \approx \pm U/2$



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NOISE IN THE L-RESERVOIR

$$\begin{aligned} S_{LL}(\omega) = & \frac{e^2}{h} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\varepsilon \left[\mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon) \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) f_R^e(\varepsilon) f_R^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \right. \\ & + \left[1 - \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon) \right] \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) f_L^e(\varepsilon) f_R^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \\ & + \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon) \left[1 - \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \right] f_R^e(\varepsilon) f_L^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \\ & \left. + \left[\mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon) \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) + |t_{LL}(\varepsilon) - t_{LL}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)|^2 \right] f_L^e(\varepsilon) f_L^h(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \right] \end{aligned}$$

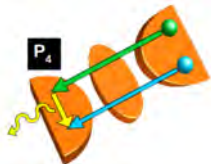
Each of the 4 contributions to the noise is associated to a **different initial configuration for the e-h pair**

Is it possible to identify the **physical processes** that lead to each of these 4 contributions?

YES!

CONTRIBUTIONS TO $S_{LL}(\omega)$

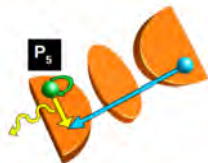
e-h pair initially in the R-reservoir



$$t_4 = t_{RL}(\varepsilon)t_{RL}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow |t_4|^2 = \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon)\mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

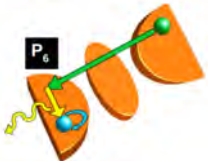
electron in L & hole in R



$$t_5 = r_{LL}(\varepsilon)t_{RL}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow |t_5|^2 = \left[1 - \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon)\right] \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

electron in R & hole in L



$$t_6 = t_{RL}(\varepsilon)r_{LL}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow |t_6|^2 = \mathcal{T}_{LR}(\varepsilon) \left[1 - \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)\right]$$

CONTRIBUTIONS TO $S_{LL}(\omega)$

e-h pair initially in L

We identify 3 processes: P_1 , P_2 and P_3



$$t_1 = t_{LL}(\varepsilon)t_{LL}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \quad t_2 = t_{LL}(\varepsilon)r_{LL}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) \quad t_3 = r_{LL}(\varepsilon)t_{LL}^*(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)$$

When more than one process involved \Rightarrow Take the coherent superposition

$$|t_1 + t_2 + t_3|^2 = \mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon)\mathcal{T}_{LR}^{\text{eff},L}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega) + |t_{LL}(\varepsilon) - t_{LL}(\varepsilon - \hbar\omega)|^2$$

\Rightarrow **Powerful method to get $S_{LL}(\omega)$ without heavy calculation !**

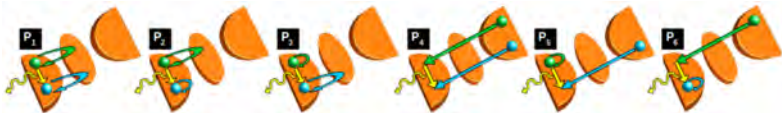
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CONCLUSION

- 1 Expression for the noise which includes **inelastic contributions**
- 2 Each contribution to the noise can be interpreted in terms of e-h pair transmission and **energy exchange with the environment**



- 3 More than one physical process (starting from the same initial state)
⇒ Take the **coherent superposition of scattering paths**
- 4 **Good agreement with experimental results**
 - Tunnel junction
 - Nanotube Kondo quantum dot

OUTLOOKS

Find a similar interpretation for **heat noise** and **mixed noise**

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