

FUNDAMENTALS OF NANOELECTRONICS

B. Quantum Transport

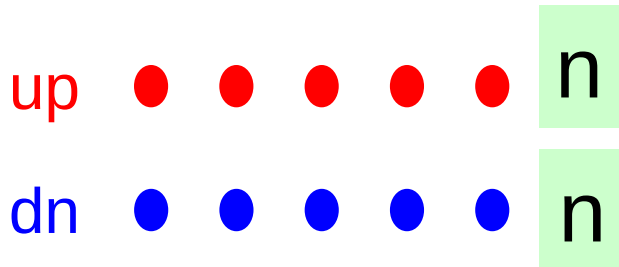
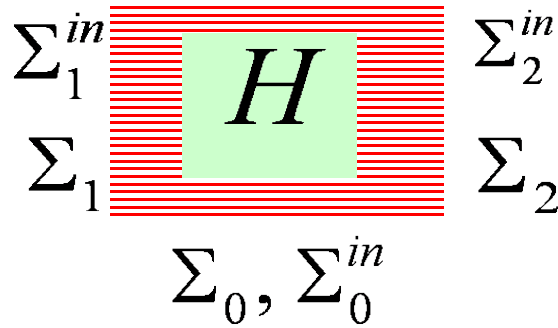
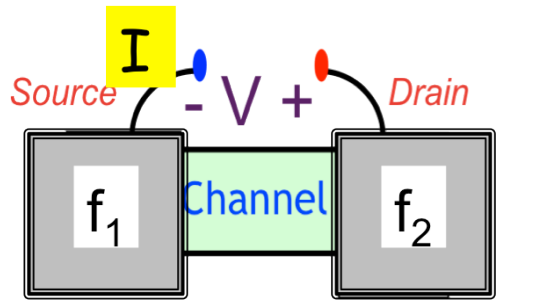
1. Schrodinger Equation
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4.1a Introduction



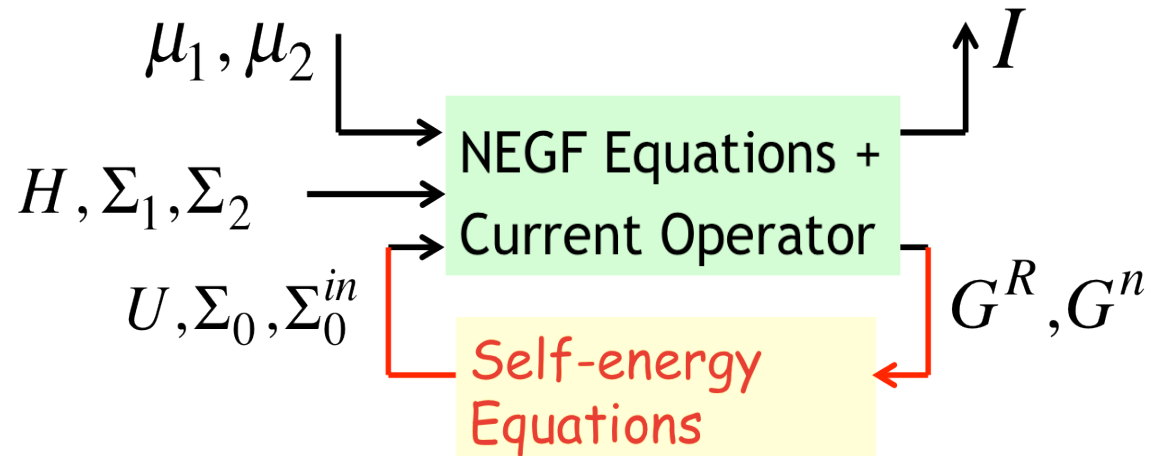
$$G^R = [EI - H - \Sigma]^{-1}$$

$$G^n = G^R \Sigma^{in} G^A$$

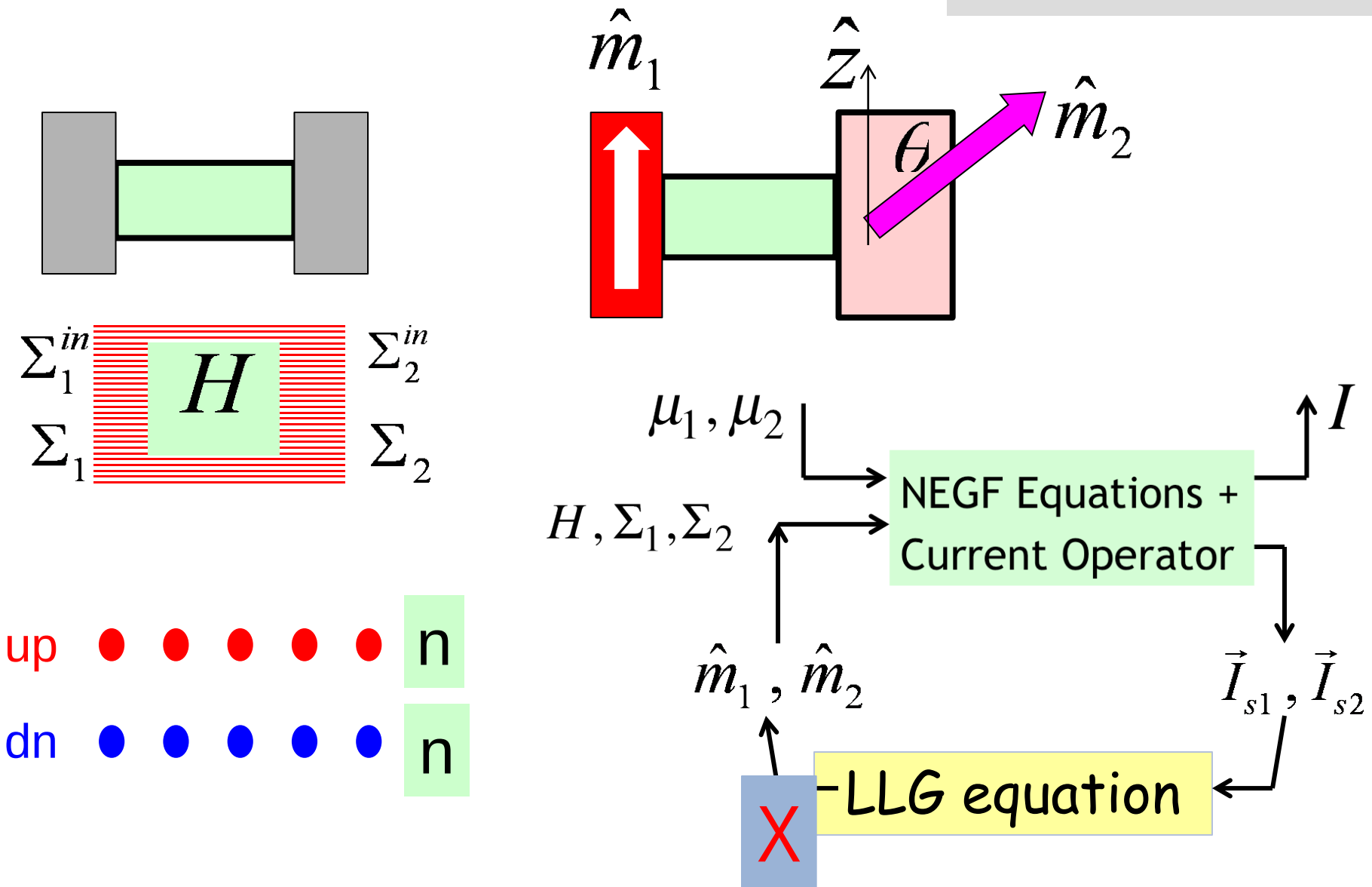
NEGF Equations

$$I^{op} = \frac{\Sigma G^n - G^n \Sigma^+}{i\hbar} + \frac{\Sigma^{in} G^A - G^R \Sigma^{in}}{i\hbar}$$

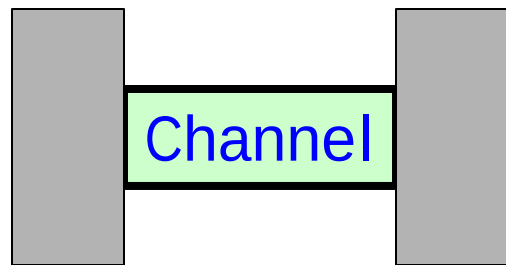
Current Operator



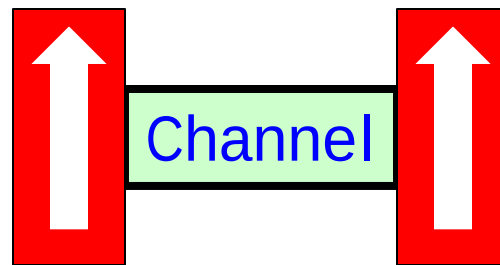
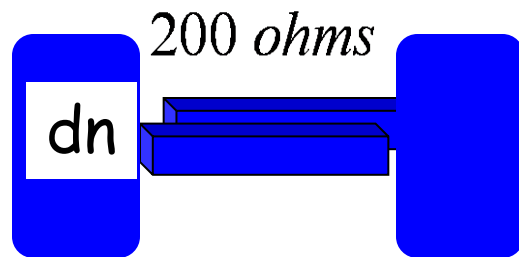
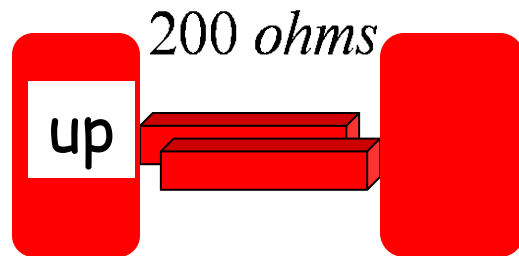
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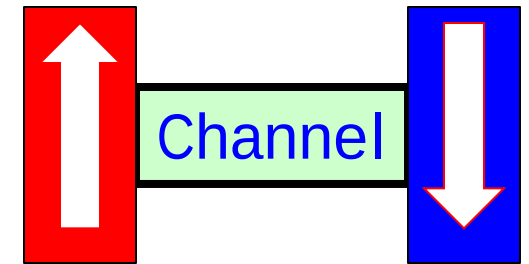
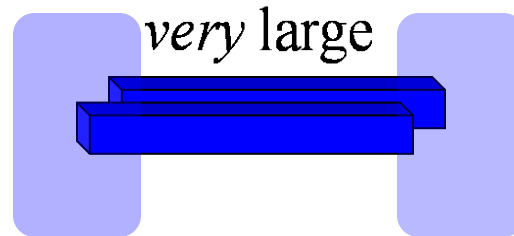
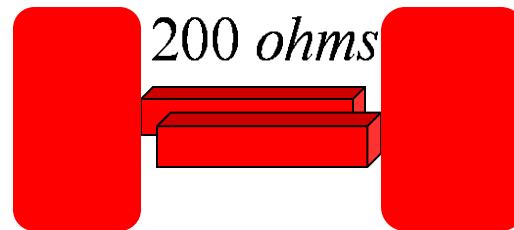
4.1c Introduction



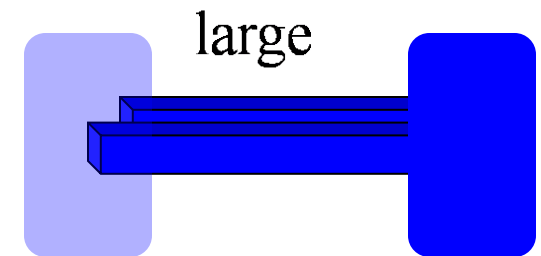
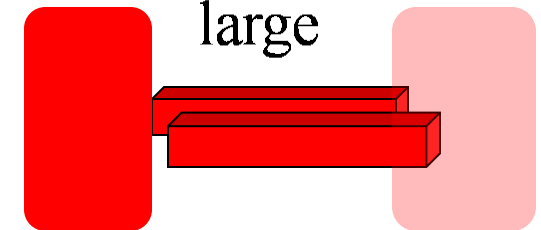
$$\frac{V}{I} = 100 \text{ ohms}$$



$$\frac{V}{I} \approx 200 \text{ ohms}$$



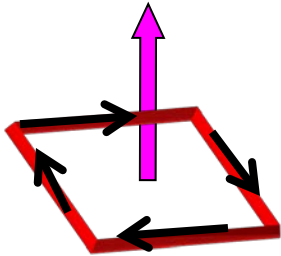
$$\frac{V}{I} \gg 200 \text{ ohms}$$



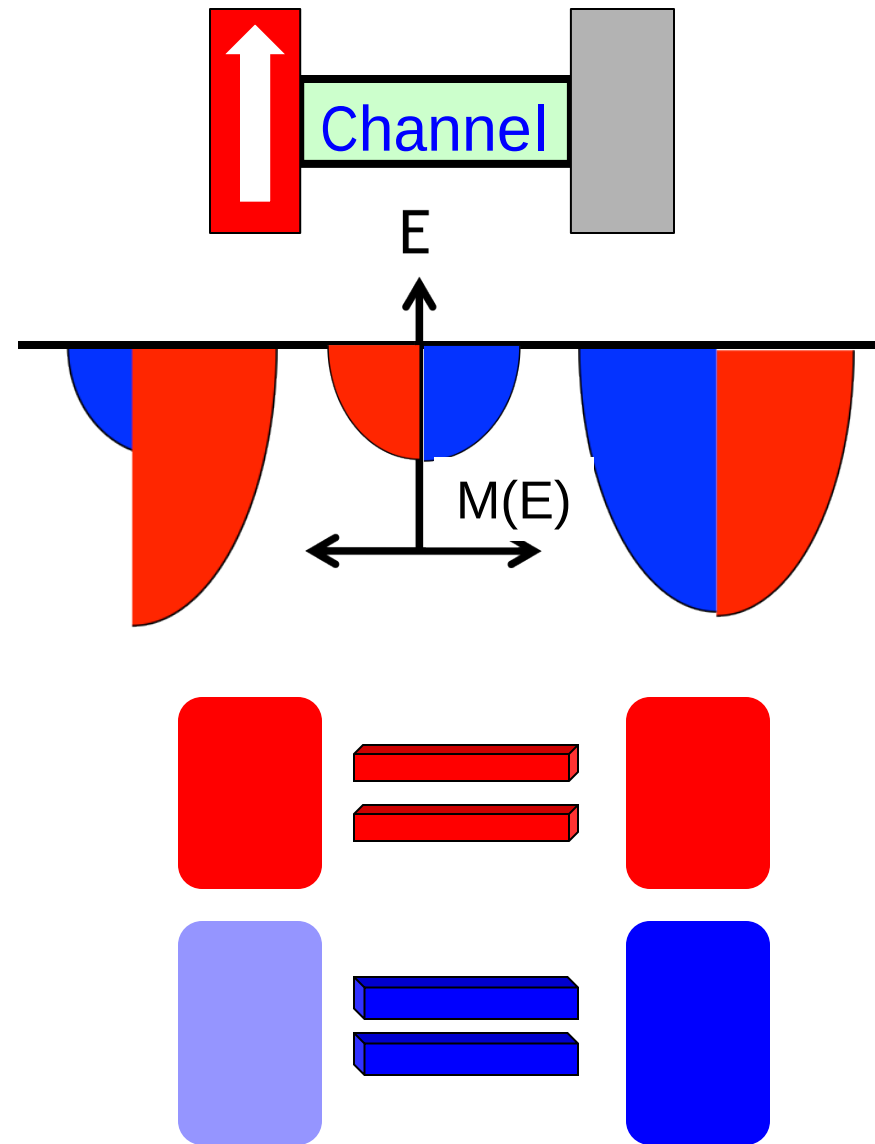
$$R_P \ll R_{AP}$$

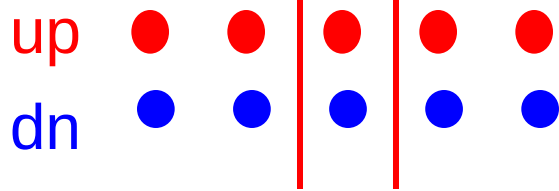
4.1d Introduction

Every electron
is like a
little "magnet"



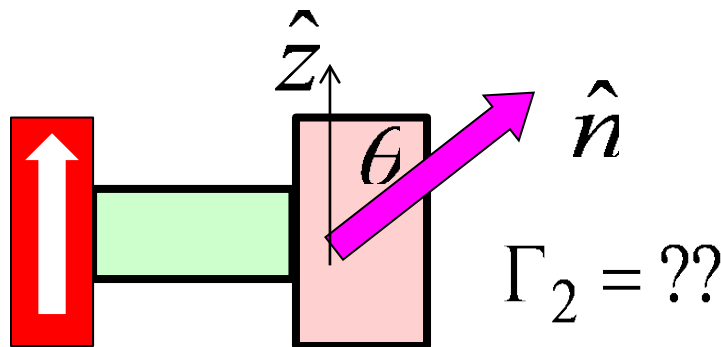
$$\mu_B = \frac{q\hbar}{2m} \sim 10^{-23} \text{ A} \cdot \text{m}^2$$
$$= 1 \text{ mA} \cdot \text{Ang}^2$$





$$\Gamma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Red box with } \uparrow \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Green box} \\ H = \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Red box with } \uparrow \end{array} \quad \Gamma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

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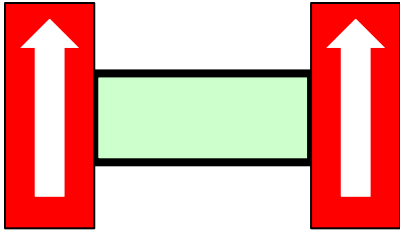
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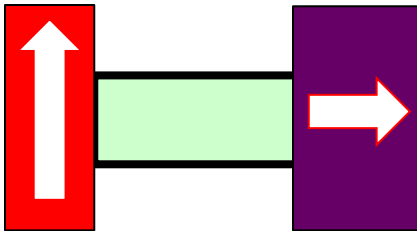
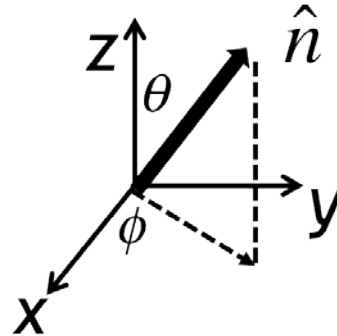
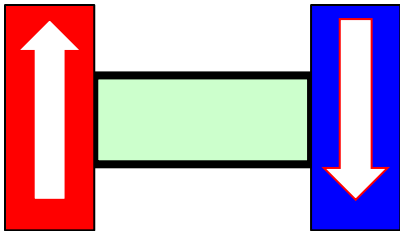
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4.1f Introduction



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x : \sin \theta \cos \varphi \\ y : \sin \theta \sin \varphi \\ z : \cos \theta \end{array} \right\}$$



$$c \equiv \cos \theta / 2 e^{-i\varphi/2}$$

$$s \equiv \sin \theta / 2 e^{+i\varphi/2}$$

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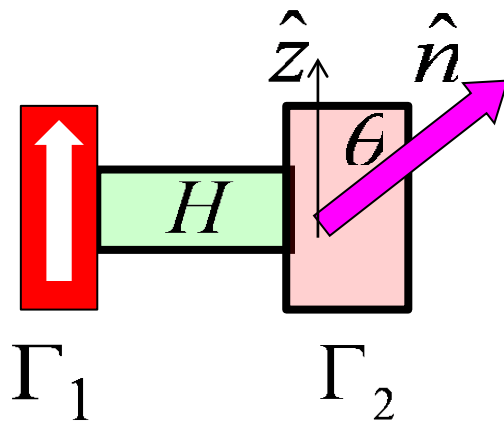
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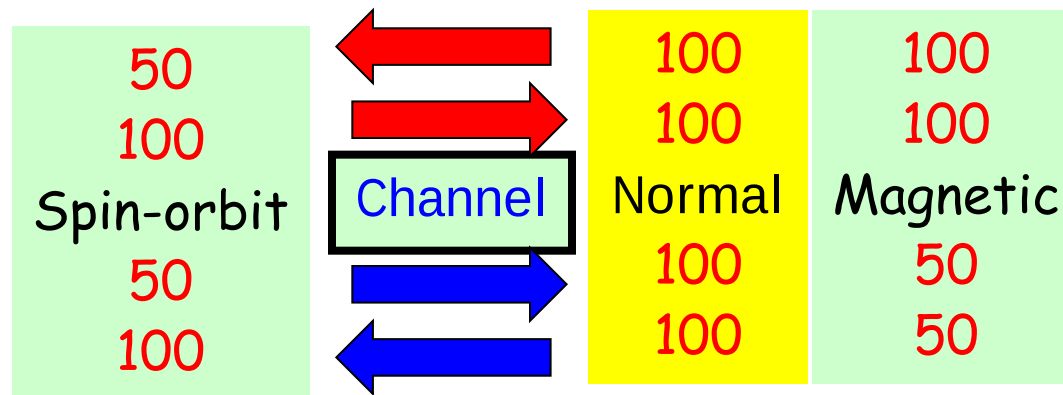
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4.1g Introduction



Spin-orbit
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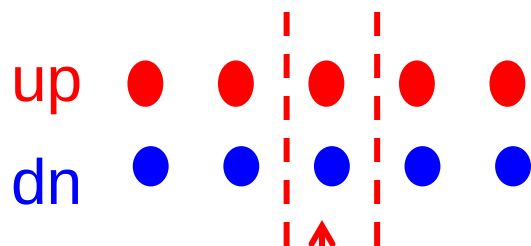
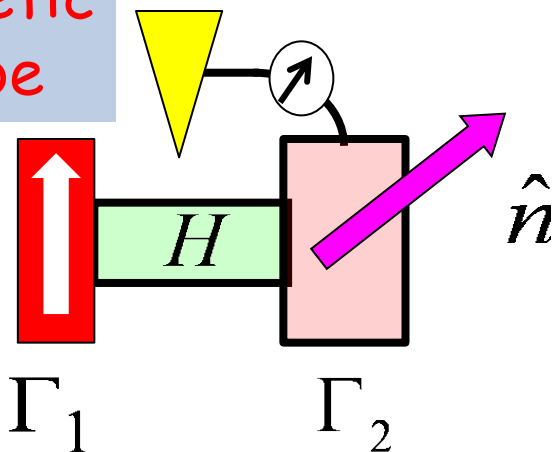
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Magnetic
Probe



$$\begin{Bmatrix} V \\ \vec{V}_s \end{Bmatrix} \leftarrow [N, \vec{S}]$$

$$G^n = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} N + S_z & \\ & N - S_z \end{bmatrix}$$

4.1h Introduction

75 up
25 dn



$$N = 100$$

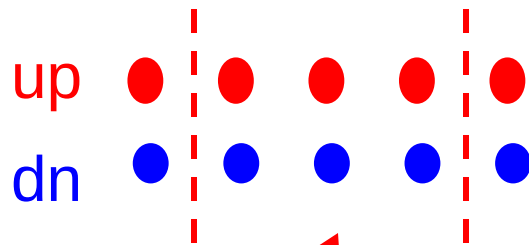
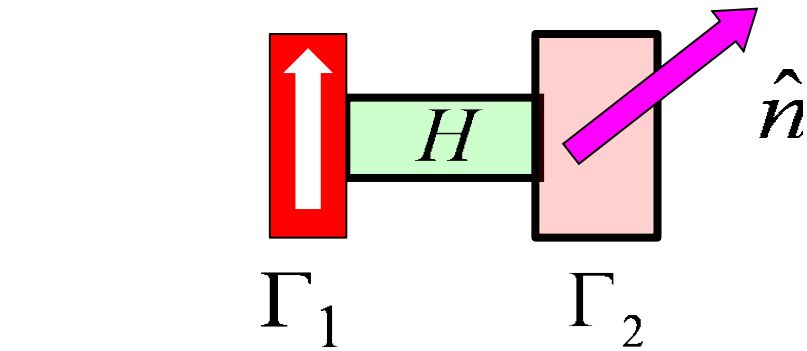
$$S_z = 50$$

$$\frac{N + S_z}{2} = 75$$

$$\frac{N - S_z}{2} = 25$$

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4.1i Introduction



$$\begin{Bmatrix} V \\ \vec{V}_s \end{Bmatrix} \leftarrow [N, \vec{S}]$$



$$\begin{Bmatrix} I \\ \vec{I}_s \end{Bmatrix}$$

Simpler
description

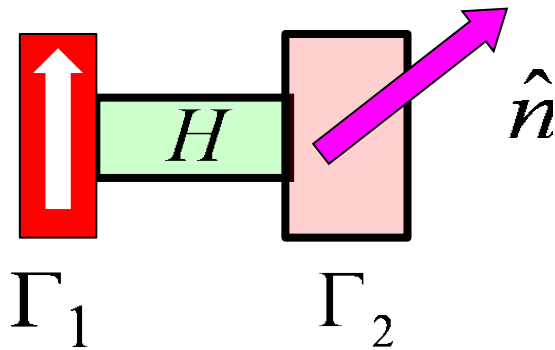
$4n$
components

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 1up & 1dn & 2up & 2dn & 3up & 3dn \\ 1up & 1dn & & & & \\ & & 2up & 2dn & & \\ & & 2up & 2dn & & \\ & & & & 3up & 3dn \\ & & & & 3up & 3dn \end{array}$$

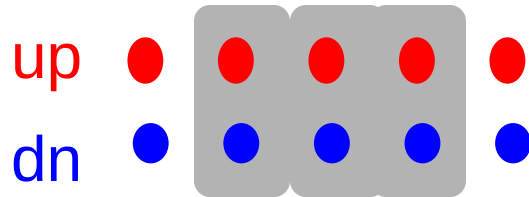
$$\begin{array}{c} [N_1, \vec{S}_1] \\ \\ [N_2, \vec{S}_2] \\ \\ [N_3, \vec{S}_3] \end{array}$$

$4n^2$
components

4.1j Introduction



◆ Could provide a paradigm for defining “larger spins”



◆ Finding use in spintronics

$$\begin{Bmatrix} V \\ \vec{V}_s \end{Bmatrix} \leftarrow [N, \vec{S}]$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} I \\ \vec{I}_s \end{Bmatrix}$$

4n
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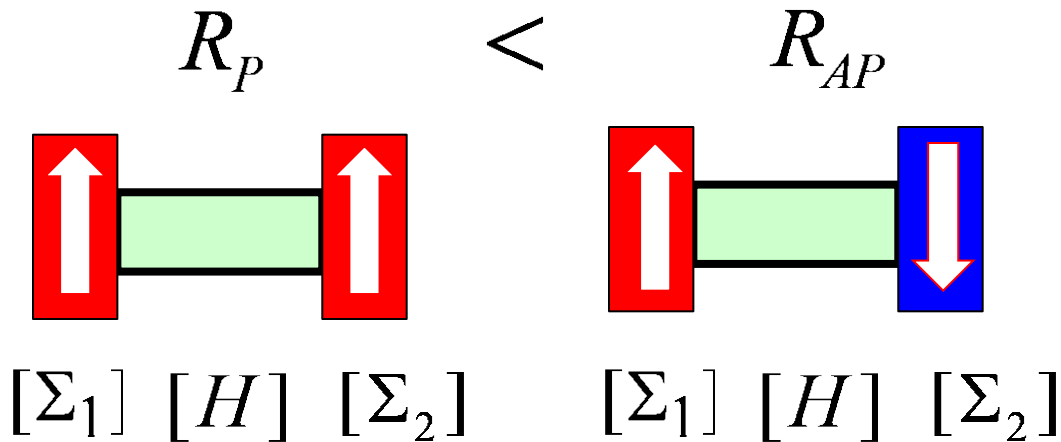
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Coming up next ..



**NEGF
Equations**

$$\Gamma = i[\Sigma - \Sigma^+]$$

$$G^R = [EI - H - \Sigma_1 - \Sigma_2]^{-1}$$

$$\bar{T}(E) = \text{Trace}[\Gamma_1 G^R \Gamma_2 G^A]$$

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