

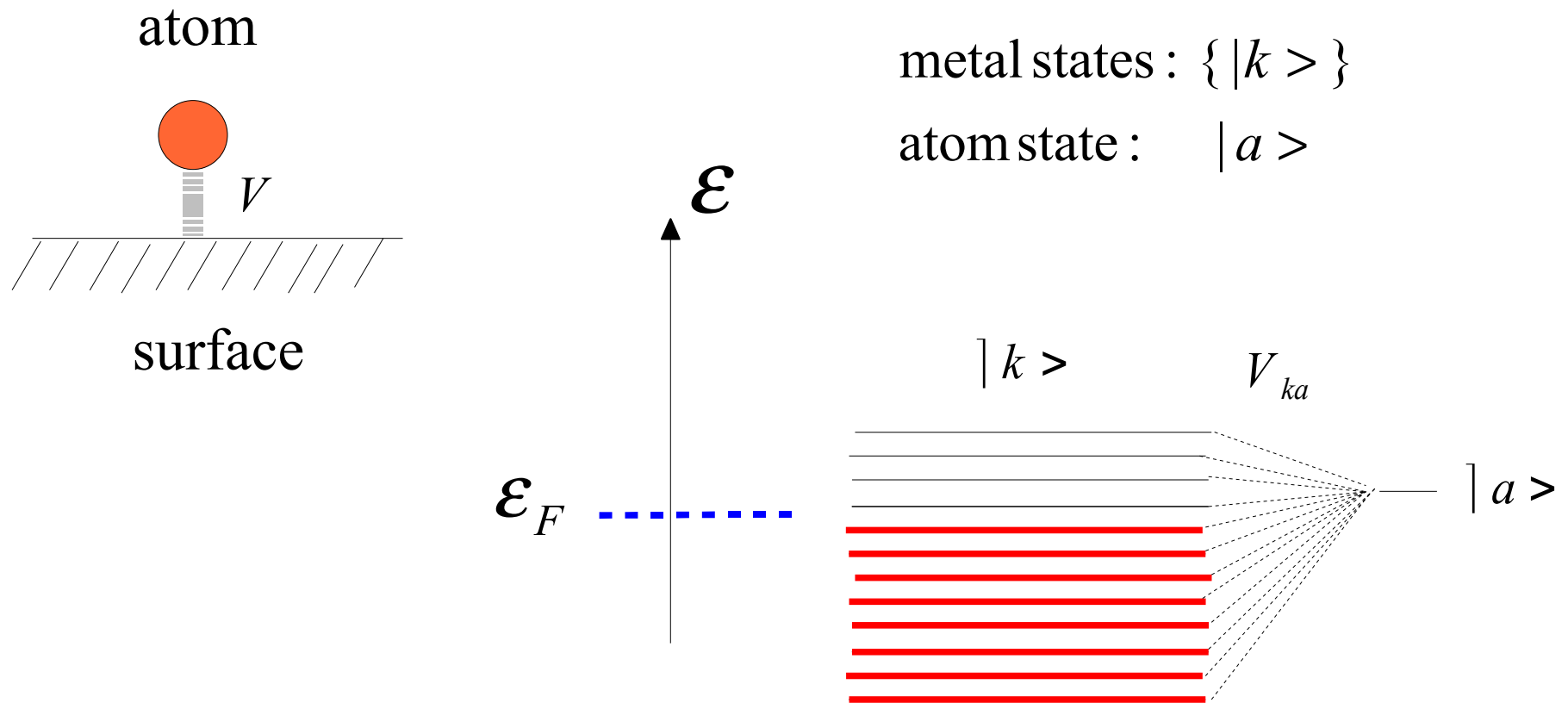
Solid State Many Body Physics course

Newns-Anderson model

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Newns-Anderson model for chemisorption



ϵ_F = Fermi energy = highest occupied energy level

V_{ka} = hopping *matrix element*

Model Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^+ c_{k\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma} \epsilon_a c_{a\sigma}^+ c_{a\sigma} +$$

$$\sum_{k\sigma} (V_{ak} c_{a\sigma}^+ c_{k\sigma} + V_{ka} c_{k\sigma}^+ c_{a\sigma}) + U c_{a\sigma}^+ c_{a\sigma} c_{a-\sigma}^+ c_{a-\sigma}$$

where U is the coulomb interaction
between spin σ and $-\sigma$ in orbital $|a\rangle$

with number operators

$$H = \sum_{k\sigma} \varepsilon_k n_{k\sigma} + \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_a n_a + \sum_{k\sigma} (V_{ak} c_{a\sigma}^+ c_{k\sigma} + H.C.) + U n_{a\sigma} n_{a-\sigma}$$

We now apply the Hartree-Fock approximation, neglecting correlations. The matrix elements of the retarded Greens' function G_R , assuming that $(|a\rangle, \{|k\rangle\})$ form a complete basis set:

$$G_{aa}^{\sigma}(t) = -i\theta(t) \langle \{c_{a\sigma}(t), c_{a\sigma}^+(0)\} \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$G_{ka}^{\sigma}(t) = -i\theta(t) \langle \{c_{k\sigma}(t), c_{a\sigma}^+(0)\} \rangle \quad (2)$$

where $\langle \dots \rangle = \langle 0 | \dots | 0 \rangle$ is the ground state average

$$\{A, B\} = AB + BA \quad (\text{anti-commutator})$$

Determining G_R will give us the adsorbate projected density of states

$$\rho_{a\sigma}(\varepsilon) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} G_{aa}^{\sigma}(\varepsilon + i\delta) \right] \quad (3)$$

Time derivative of Eq. (1)

$$\frac{\partial G_{aa}^{\sigma}(t)}{\partial t} = -i\delta(t) \langle \{c_{a\sigma}(t), c_{a\sigma}^+\} \rangle - i\theta(t) \langle \left\{ \frac{\partial c_{a\sigma}(t)}{\partial t}, c_{a\sigma}^+ \right\} \rangle \quad (4)$$

where $c_{a\sigma}^+ = c_{a\sigma}^+(0)$

The derivative of the destruction operator in Eq. (3) is evaluated with the Heisenberg relation for the time derivative of an operator

$$\frac{\partial c_{a\sigma}(t)}{\partial t} = -i [c_{a\sigma}(t), H] \quad (5)$$

Eq. (4) then takes the form

$$i \frac{\partial G_{aa}^\sigma(t)}{\partial t} = \delta(t) - i\theta(t) \langle \{e^{iHt} [c_{a\sigma}, H] e^{-iHt}, c_{a\sigma}^+\} \rangle \quad (6)$$

Home problem 1

Show in details that the Newns-Anderson model hamiltonian gives

$$[c_{a\sigma}, H] = \varepsilon_a c_{a\sigma} + \sum_k V_{ak} c_{k\sigma} + U c_{a\sigma} n_{a-\sigma}$$

We then have

$$\begin{aligned}
 i \frac{\partial G_{aa}^{\sigma}(t)}{\partial t} &= \delta(t) - i\theta(t) \langle \{c_{a\sigma}(t), c_{a\sigma}^+\} \rangle \\
 &\quad - i\theta(t) \sum_k V_{ak} \langle \{c_{k\sigma}(t), c_{a\sigma}^+\} \rangle \\
 &\quad - i\theta(t) U \langle \{c_{a\sigma}(t) c_{a-\sigma}^+(t) c_{a-\sigma}(t), c_{a\sigma}^+\} \rangle \quad (7)
 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing Eq. (7) with Eq. (1) and (2), we realize that the fourth term in Eq. (7) is a higher order Greens' function, thus we have an infinite hierarchy of equations. One way to break this is to apply the Hartree-Fock approximation. This means that we neglect the correlation between the “up” and “down” electron in the adsorbate orbital

$$c_{a-\sigma}^+(t)c_{a-\sigma}(t) = n_{a-\sigma}(t) \approx \langle n_{a-\sigma} \rangle$$

where $\langle n_{a-\sigma} \rangle$ is a simple number

The approximation is ok if :

- 1) we consider the “up” spin and the fluctuations of the “down” spin is small

$$n_{a-\sigma}(t) = (n_{a-\sigma}(t) - \langle n_{a-\sigma} \rangle) + \langle n_{a-\sigma} \rangle \approx \langle n_{a-\sigma} \rangle$$

- 2) if U is small compared to the band width W
(the energy range of the $|k\rangle$ states)

We then have

$$i \frac{\partial G_{aa}^\sigma(t)}{\partial t} = \delta(t) + \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} G_{aa}^\sigma(t) + \sum_k V_{ak}(t) G_{ka}^\sigma(t) \quad (8)$$

where

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} = \varepsilon_a + U \langle n_{a-\sigma} \rangle \quad (9)$$

Now proceed in the same way, taking the time derivative of Eq. (2). We obtain

$$i \frac{\partial G_{ka}^\sigma(t)}{\partial t} = \varepsilon_k G_{ka}^\sigma(t) + V_{ak}(t) G_{aa}^\sigma(t) \quad (10)$$

Home problem 2

Evaluate the energy dependent Green's function and show that you obtain the result

$$G_{aa}^{\sigma} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} - \Sigma(\varepsilon)}$$

with the self-energy of state "a"

$$\Sigma(\varepsilon) = \sum_k \frac{|V_{ak}|^2}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k + i\delta}$$

The self-energy

$$\Sigma(\varepsilon) = \Lambda(\varepsilon) - i\Delta(\varepsilon) \quad (11)$$

where

$$\Delta(\varepsilon) = \text{chemisorption function} = \pi \sum_k |V_{ak}|^2 \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k)$$

$$\Lambda(\varepsilon) = \text{shift function} = P \sum_k \frac{|V_{ak}|^2}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k}$$

According to Eq. (3) the adsorbate projected density of states is

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{a\sigma}(\varepsilon) &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} G_{aa}^{\sigma}(\varepsilon) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} - \Lambda(\varepsilon) + i\Delta(\varepsilon)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Delta(\varepsilon)}{[\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} - \Lambda(\varepsilon)]^2 + \Delta^2(\varepsilon)} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Simple 1 D model for calculation of the self-energy

Linear chain of $N + 1$ metal atoms with an adsorbate at the end.
Atom site index " i ". Only nearest neighbour electron hopping

$$\langle i | H | i \pm 1 \rangle = -\beta \quad , \quad \langle i | H | i \rangle = 0 \quad , \quad \langle i | j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

Eigenstate $|k\rangle$ with eigen energy ε_k . Set lattice constant $a = 1$

$$|k\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^N |i\rangle \langle i | k \rangle \quad \text{with "site amplitudes"}$$

$$\langle i | k \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N+1}} \sin\left(k\pi \frac{i+1}{N+1}\right) \quad (13)$$

Home problem 3

Show that the energy spectrum is given by

$$\varepsilon_k = -2\beta \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{N+1}\right) \quad , \quad \text{where } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N \quad (14)$$

The band width

$$W = 4\beta$$

For delocalized states (metallic), hopping large, β large and thus large band width W .

We now chemisorb our adsorbate atom to the end atom denoted "0". The hopping matrix element between the adsorbate and the "surface atom", denoted "0" is given by

$$V_{ak} = \langle a | V | k \rangle = \sum_{i=0}^N \langle a | V | i \rangle \langle i | k \rangle \approx \langle a | V | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | k \rangle$$

From Eq.(13) we have

$$V_{ak} = V_0 \sqrt{\frac{2}{N+1}} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi}{N+1}\right) \quad , \quad \text{with } V_0 = \langle a|V|0 \rangle$$

The chemisorption function is then given by

$$\Delta(\varepsilon) = \pi \sum_k |V_{ak}|^2 \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) = |V_0|^2 \frac{2\pi}{N+1} \sum_k \sin^2\left(\frac{k\pi}{N+1}\right) \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_a)$$

Now

$$\varepsilon_k = -2\beta \cos\left(\frac{k\pi}{N+1}\right)$$

change the sum over k to an integral

$$\sum_k \{\dots\dots\} \rightarrow \frac{N+1}{\pi} \int \{\dots\dots\} d\varphi \quad , \quad \varphi = \frac{k\pi}{N+1}$$

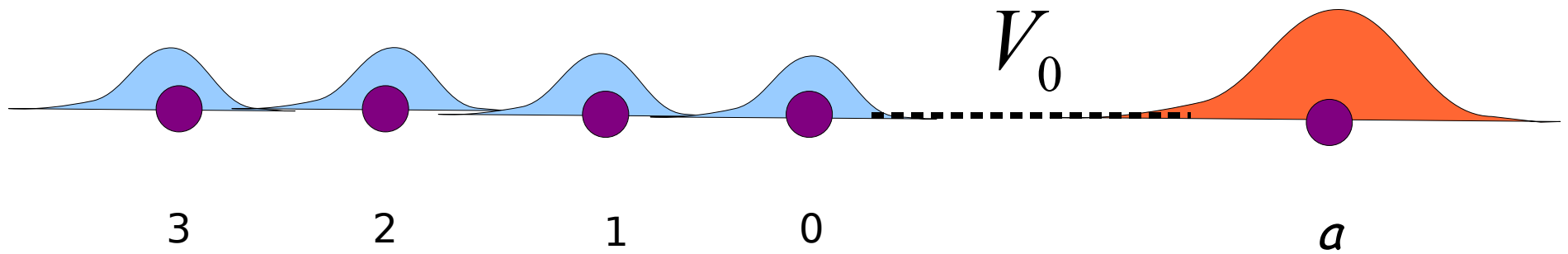
$$\Delta(\varepsilon) = 2 |\beta'| \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \varphi \delta(\varepsilon + 2\beta \cos \varphi) d\varphi$$

with $x = \cos \varphi$; $dx = -\sin \varphi d\varphi$

$$\Delta(\varepsilon) = 2 |V_0|^2 \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} \delta(\varepsilon + 2\beta x) dx = \frac{|V_0|^2}{\beta} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2\beta}\right)^2}$$

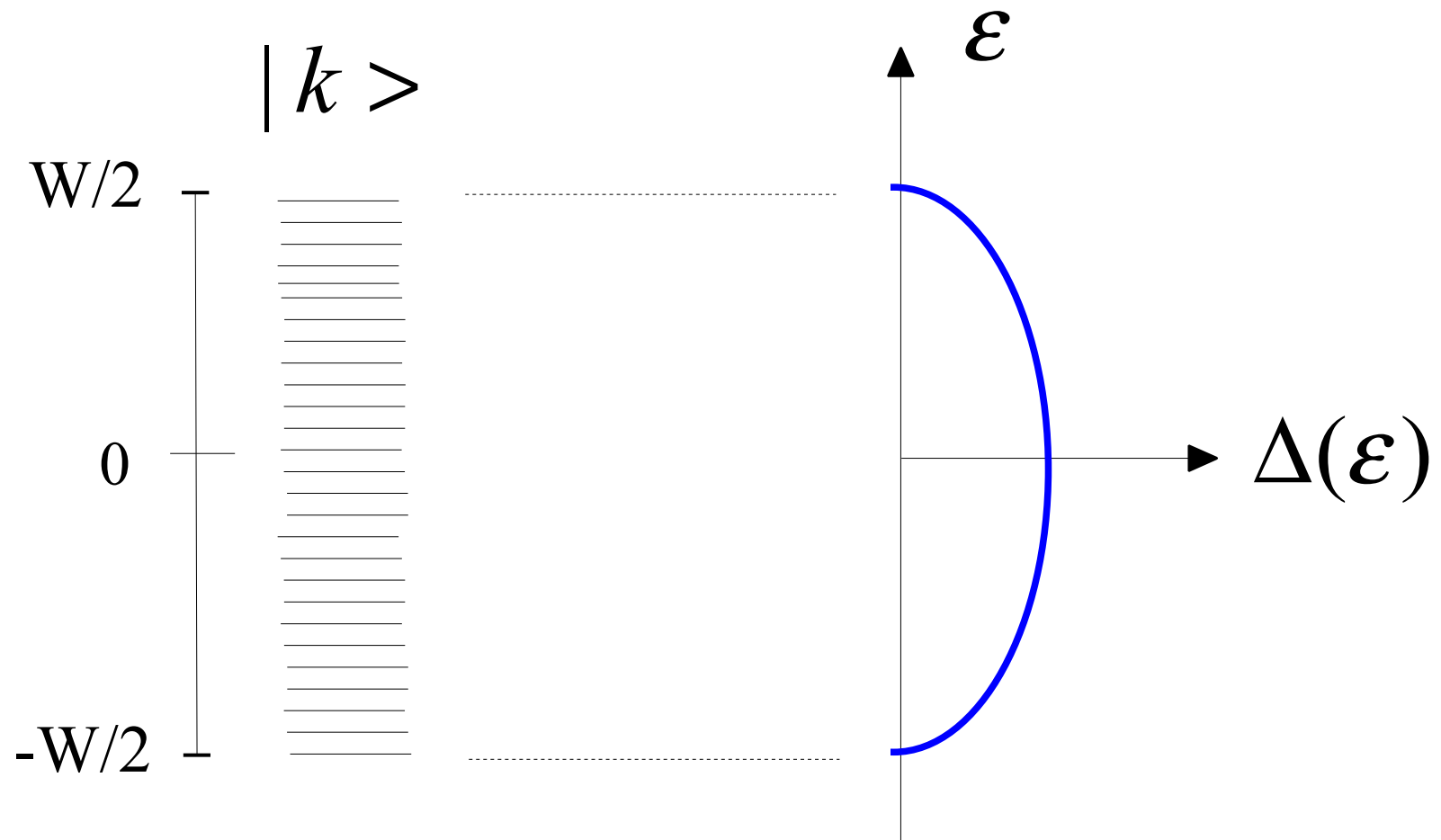
$$\Delta(\varepsilon) = \frac{4 |V_0|^2}{W} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{2\varepsilon}{W}\right)^2}$$

1D Linear chain model



In this model we have obtained a **semi-elliptical** chemisorption function

$$\Delta(\varepsilon) = \frac{4|V_0|^2}{W} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{2\varepsilon}{W}\right)^2}$$

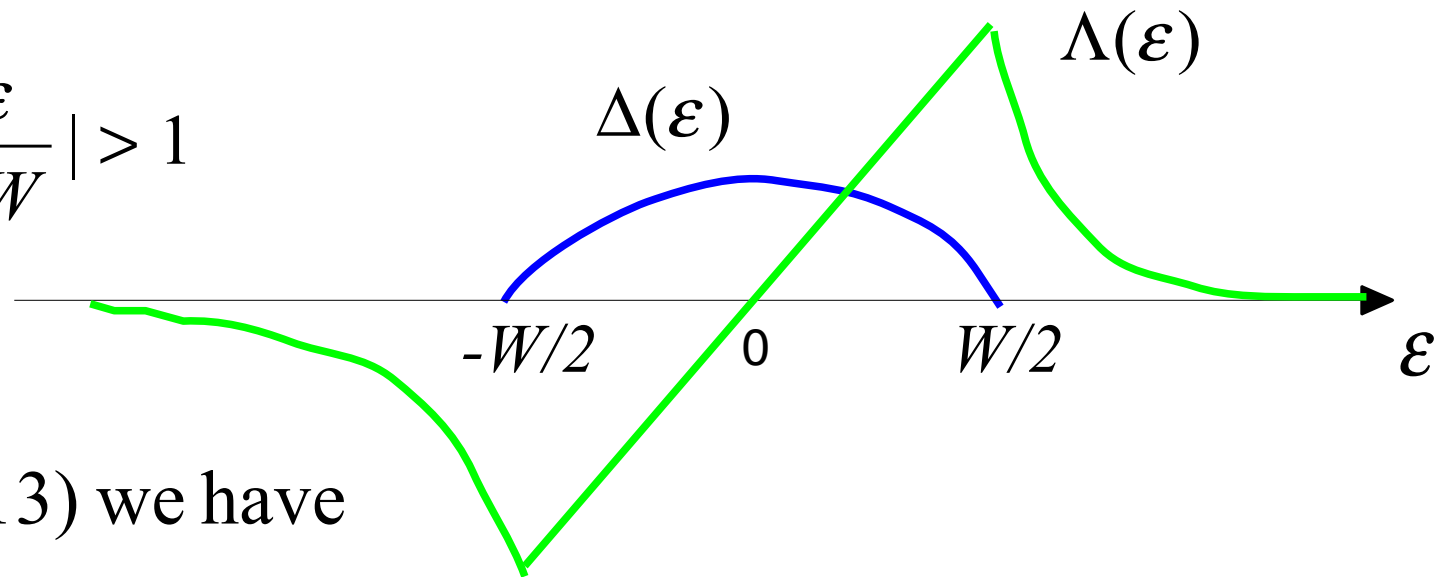


And the shift function is linear in energy within the band

$$\Lambda(\varepsilon) = 8\pi \frac{|V_0|^2}{W^2} \varepsilon \quad , \quad \text{when} \quad \left| \frac{\varepsilon}{2W} \right| < 1$$

and

$$\Lambda \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{when} \quad \left| \frac{\varepsilon}{2W} \right| > 1$$

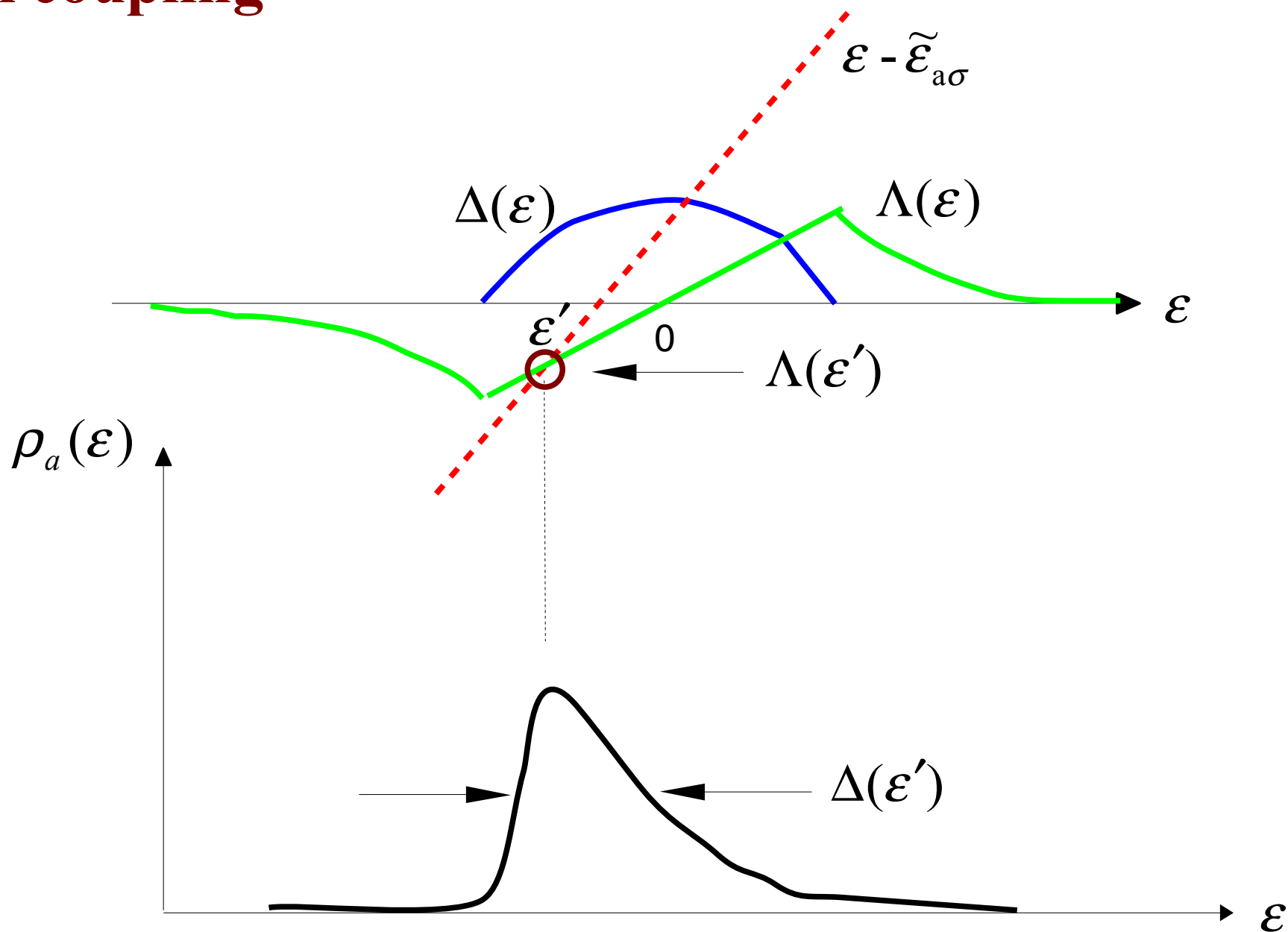


According to Eq. (13) we have

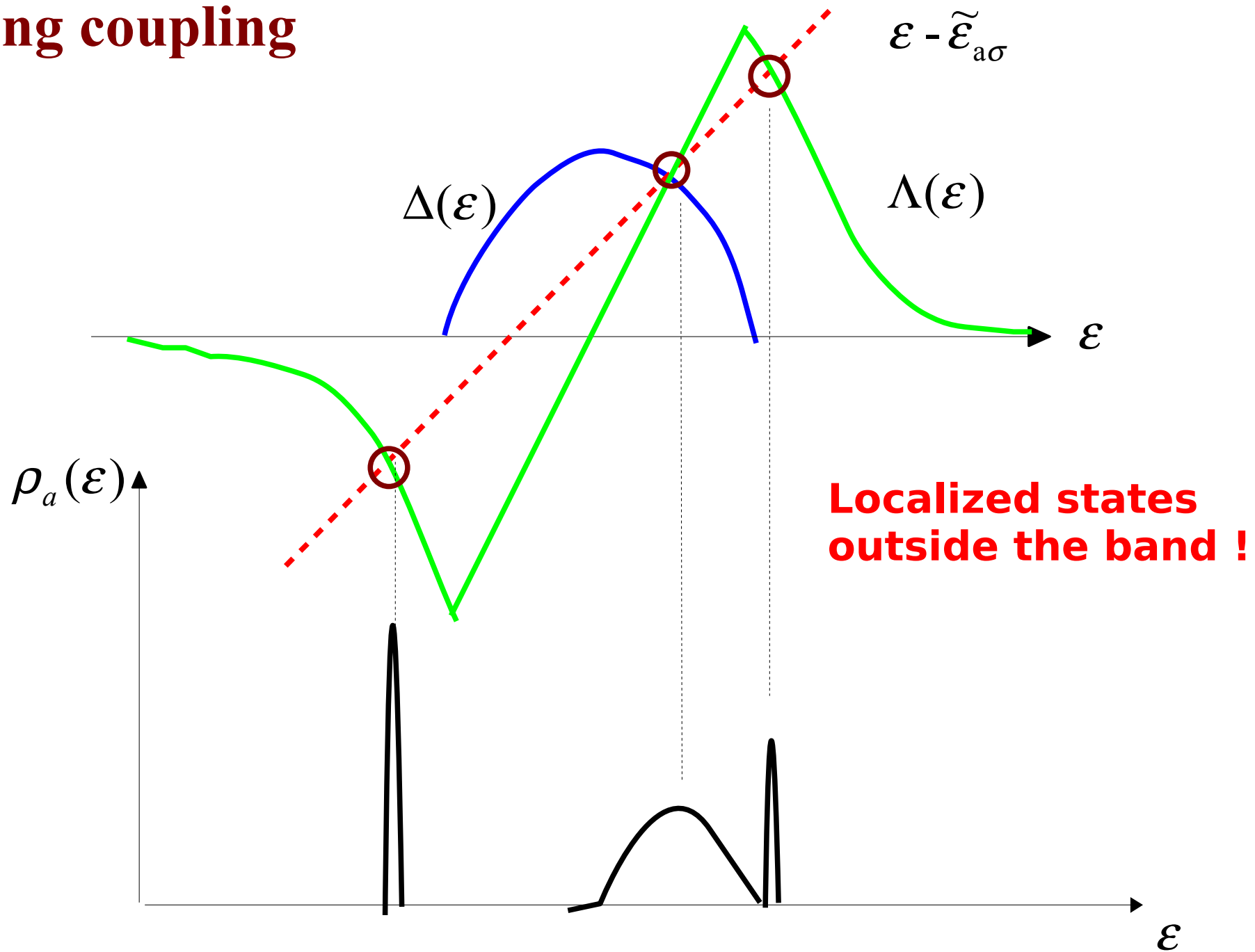
$$\rho_{a\sigma}(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Delta(\varepsilon)}{[\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} - \Lambda(\varepsilon)]^2 + \Delta^2(\varepsilon)}$$

which is enhanced when $\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\sigma} - \Lambda(\varepsilon) = 0$

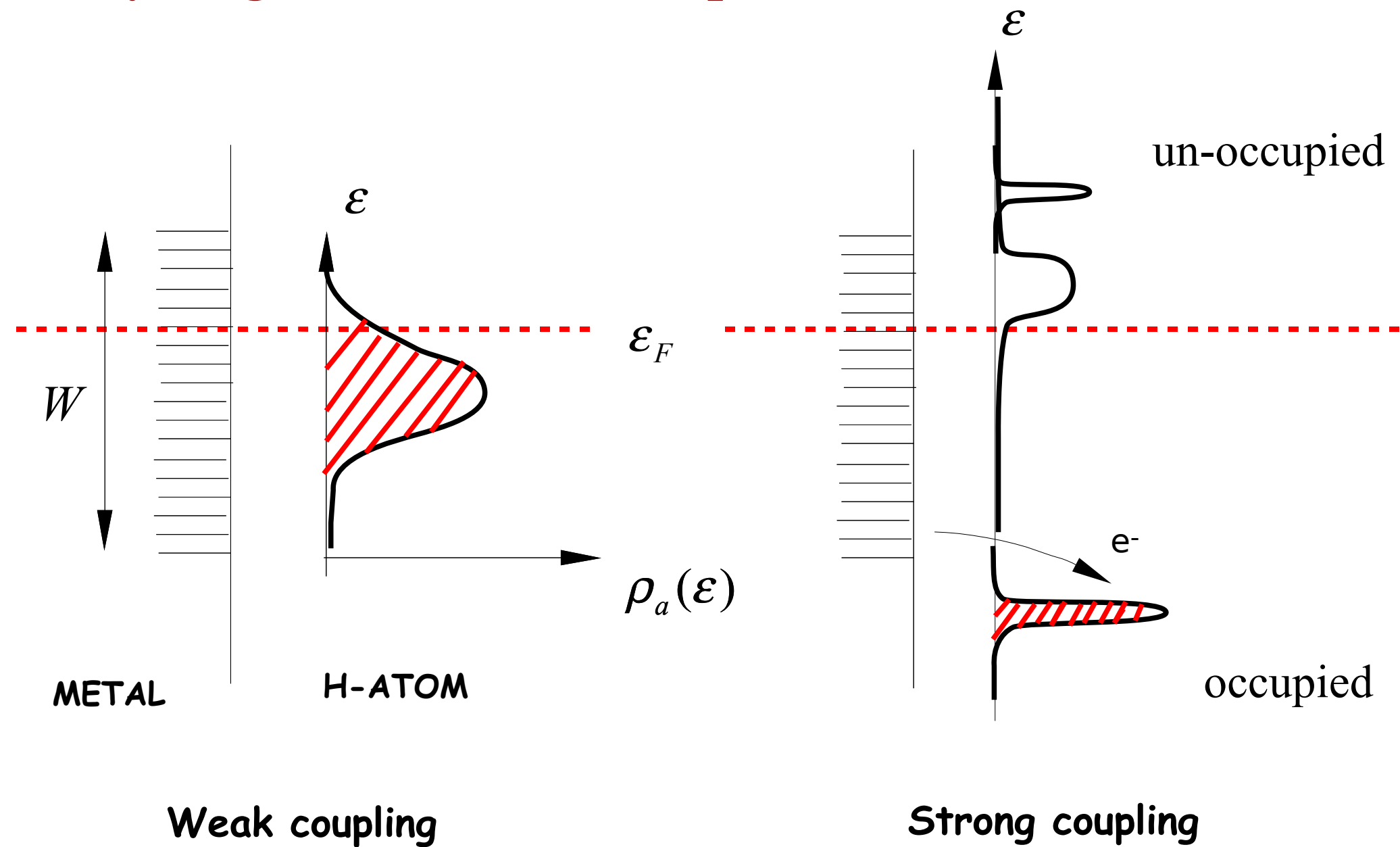
Weak coupling



Strong coupling



Hydrogen atom chemisorption



Spin polarization

$$\zeta = \frac{\langle n_{a\uparrow} \rangle - \langle n_{a\downarrow} \rangle}{\langle n_{a\uparrow} \rangle + \langle n_{a\downarrow} \rangle}$$

self - consistent loop

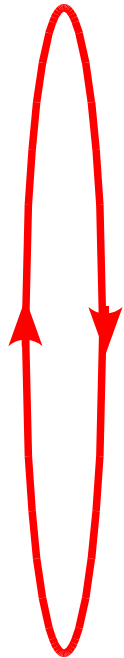
$$\langle n_{a\downarrow} \rangle$$

$$\rho_{a\uparrow}(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Delta(\varepsilon)}{[\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\uparrow} - \Lambda(\varepsilon)]^2 + \Delta^2(\varepsilon)} \quad \text{where } \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\uparrow} = \varepsilon_a + U \langle n_{a\downarrow} \rangle$$

$$\langle n_{a\uparrow} \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\varepsilon_F} \rho_{a\uparrow}(\varepsilon) d\varepsilon$$

$$\rho_{a\downarrow}(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Delta(\varepsilon)}{[\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\downarrow} - \Lambda(\varepsilon)]^2 + \Delta^2(\varepsilon)} \quad \text{with } \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\downarrow} = \varepsilon_a + U \langle n_{a\uparrow} \rangle$$

$$\langle n_{a\downarrow} \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\varepsilon_F} \rho_{a\downarrow}(\varepsilon) d\varepsilon$$



simplifications

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \Delta(\varepsilon) &\equiv \Delta_0 & \Rightarrow \quad \rho_{a\uparrow}(\varepsilon) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\Delta_0}{[\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\uparrow} - \Lambda_0]^2 + \Delta_0^2} & \text{(Lorentzian!)} \\ \Lambda(\varepsilon) &\equiv \Lambda_0 & & & \\ & & \langle n_{a\uparrow} \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\varepsilon_F} \rho_{a\uparrow}(\varepsilon) d\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \arctan\left(\frac{\varepsilon - \tilde{\varepsilon}_{a\uparrow} - \Lambda_0}{\Delta_0}\right) - \frac{\pi}{2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad \Delta(\varepsilon) &= \pi \sum_k |V_{ak}|^2 \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) \approx \pi |V_o|^2 \sum_k \delta(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_k) \\ &= \pi |V_o|^2 \rho_s(\varepsilon) \quad , \quad \rho_s(\varepsilon) = \text{substrate density of states} \end{aligned}$$

(c) modeling in atom – surface scattering :

$$\Delta_{\uparrow}(z) = \Delta_0 e^{-2\gamma_{\uparrow\sigma} z} \quad , \quad \text{where } \Delta_0 \approx \pi |V_o|^2 \rho_s(\varepsilon_F)$$

$$\gamma_{\uparrow} = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} |\varepsilon_a + U \langle n_{a\downarrow} \rangle|}$$

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