

Diffractive Paths for Weak Localization in Quantum Billiards



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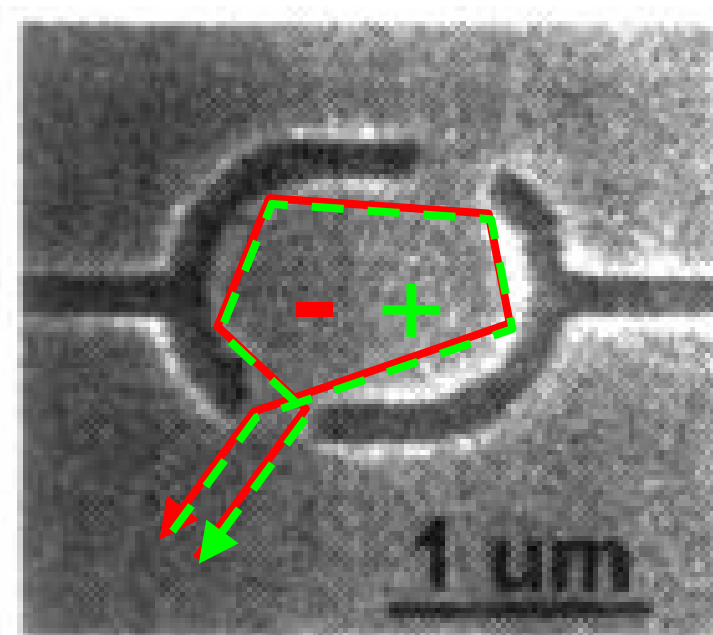
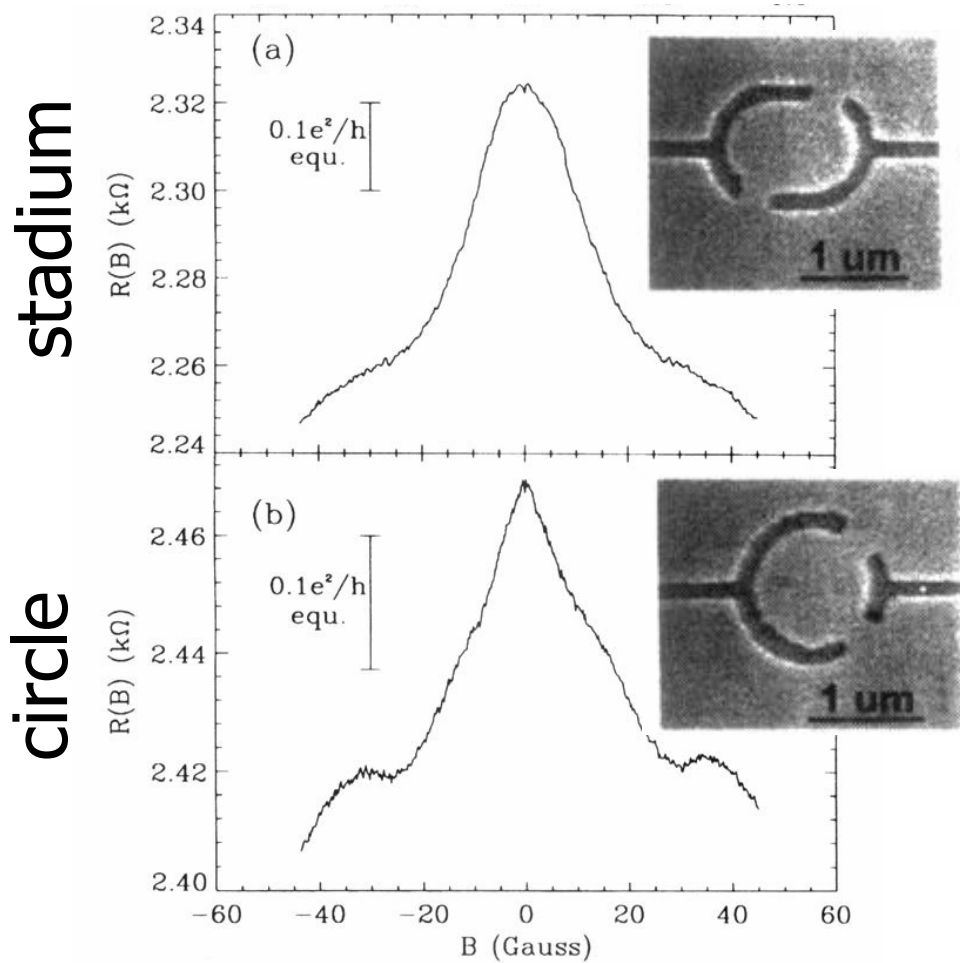


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WL in Ballistic Transport

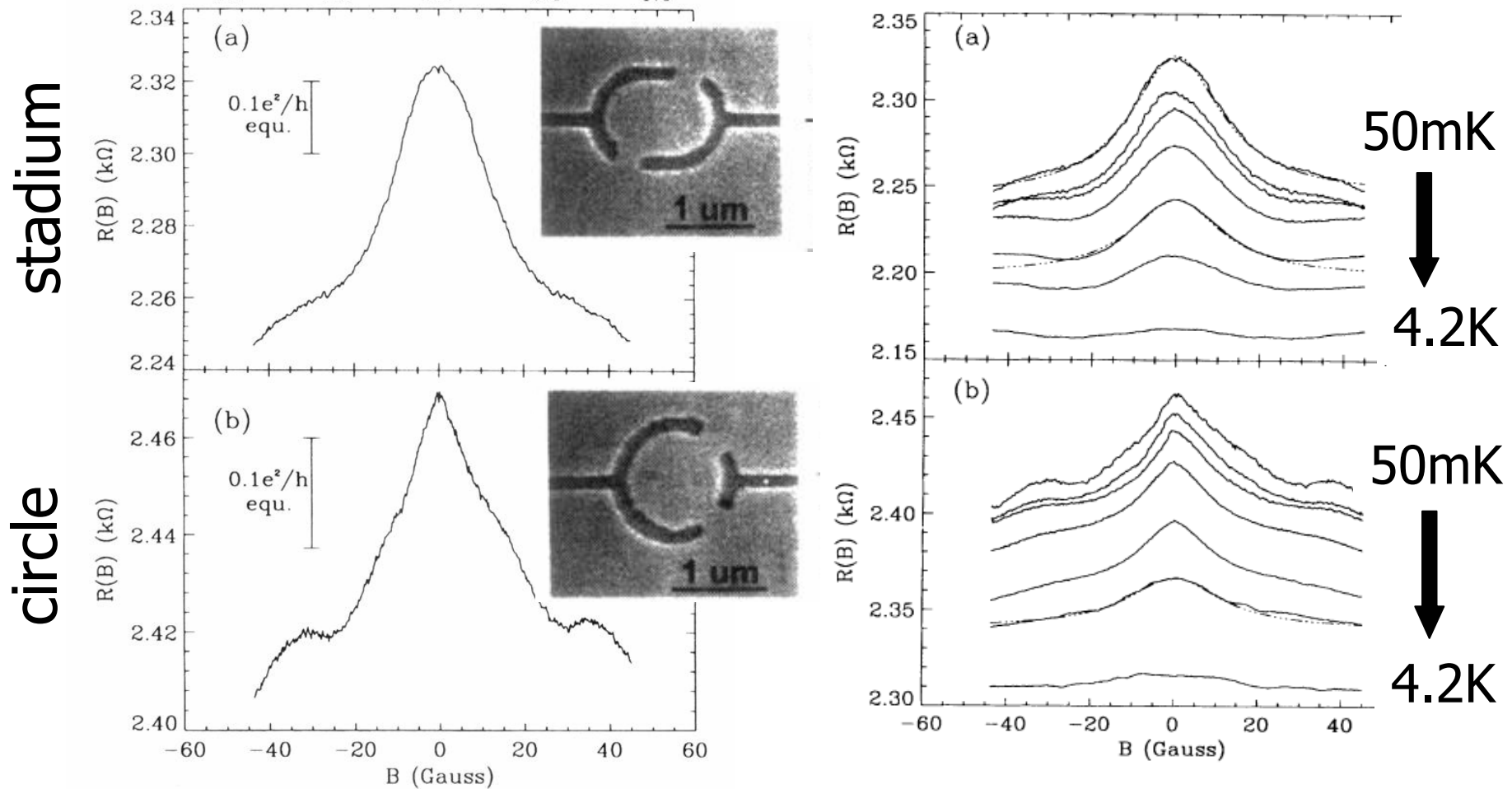


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Chang, Baranger, Pfeiffer,
West, PRL 73, 2111 (1994).

see also: Marcus, Rimberg, Westervelt et al., PRL 69, 506 (1992).

WL in Transport through Quantum Dots



Chang, Baranger, Pfeiffer, and West, PRL 73, 2111 (1994).

Ballistic transport

Landauer-Büttiker:

$$G = \frac{e^2}{h} T = \frac{e^2}{h} \sum_{m,n}^N |t_{mn}|^2$$

$$T + R = N$$

Quantum calculation:

Good agreement
with experiment!

Chang, Baranger, Pfeiffer, West,
PRL 73, 2111 (1994).

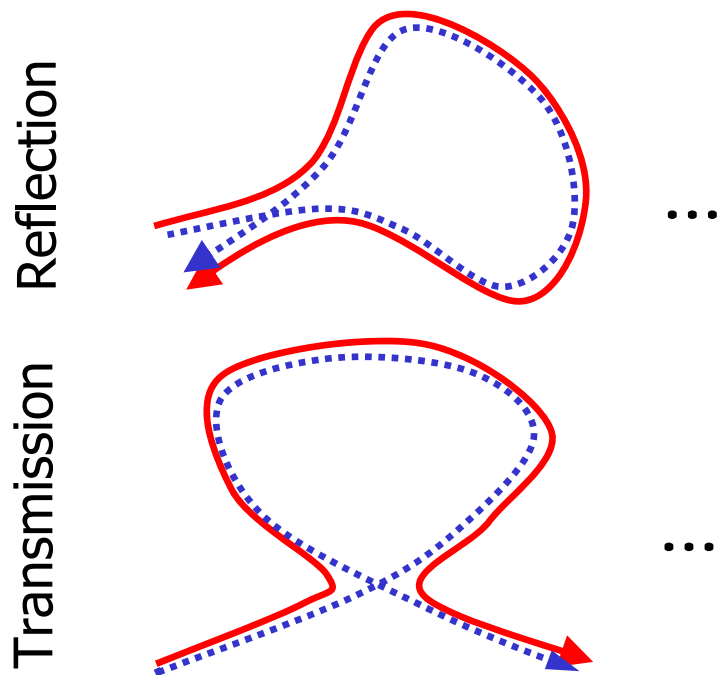
"...interference between trajectories which are not exactly time-reversed must be included."

Baranger, Jalabert, and Stone, PRL 70, 3876 (1993).

 Additional contributions required for reflection.

 Which paths for transmission?

Trajectory pairs



- WL-correction in agreement with RMT
- Current conservation

Assumptions:

- Ensemble Average
- $\lambda/D \rightarrow 0$
- Chaotic dynamics
- Smooth boundaries

Aleiner & Larkin, PRB 54, 14423 (96).

Takane & Nakamura, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 66, 2977 (97).

Sieber & Richter, PRL 89, 206801 (02).

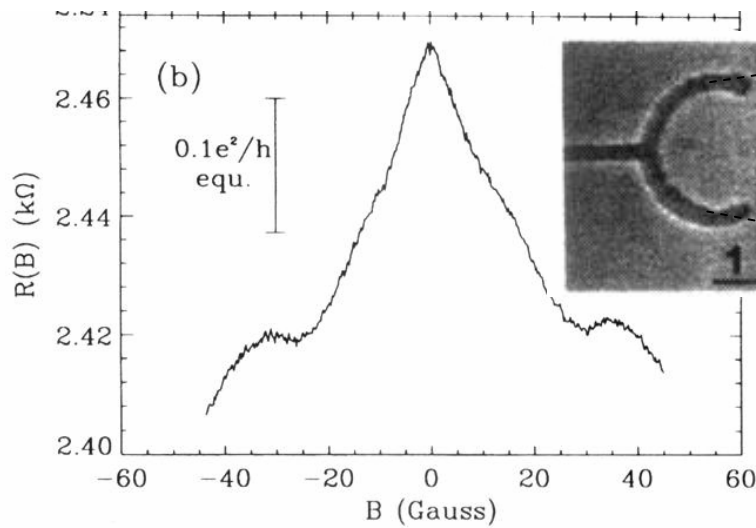
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Jacquod & Whitney, PRB 73, 195115 (06).

Heusler, Müller, Braun, Haake, PRL 96, 066804 (06).

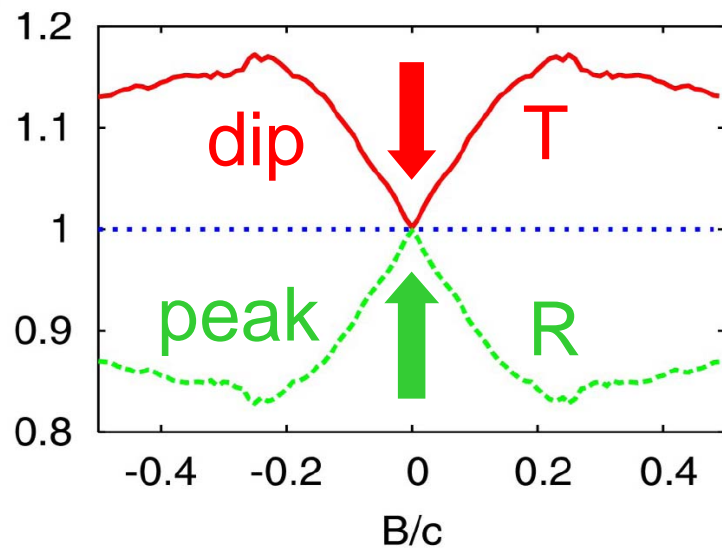
Very long
paths!

Circular billiard



$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta + V_0$$

Solve Schrödinger equation
(one-electron, flat potential)



(T+R)/N

Unitarity:

$$T + R = N = 2$$

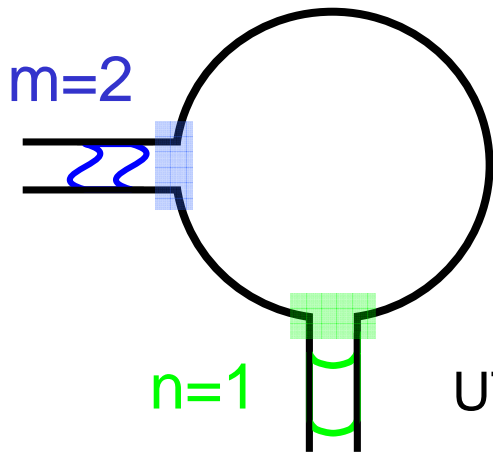
Semiclassical Transport

Transmission and reflection amplitudes

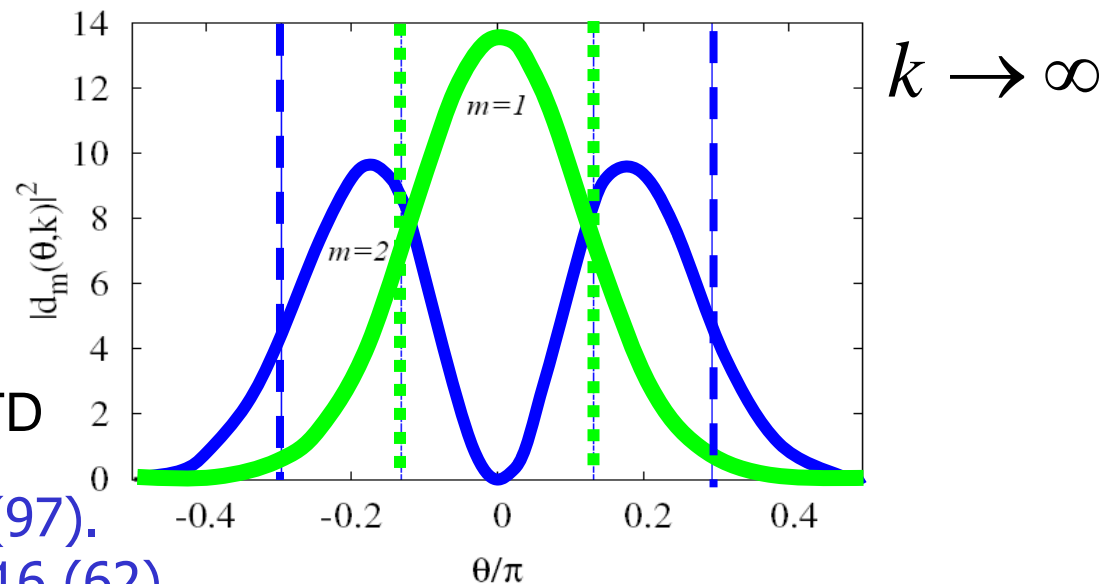
$$t_{nm} \propto \langle n | G_{2 \leftarrow 1}^{\text{SC}} | m \rangle$$

$$r_{nm} \propto \langle n | G_{1 \leftarrow 1}^{\text{SC}} | m \rangle$$

$$t_{nm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi i}} \sum_{\text{class. path: } q} d_n(\theta', k) \sqrt{|D_q|} e^{i \left(\frac{S_q}{\hbar} - \frac{\pi}{2} \mu_q \right)} d_m(\theta, k)$$



UTD-GTD

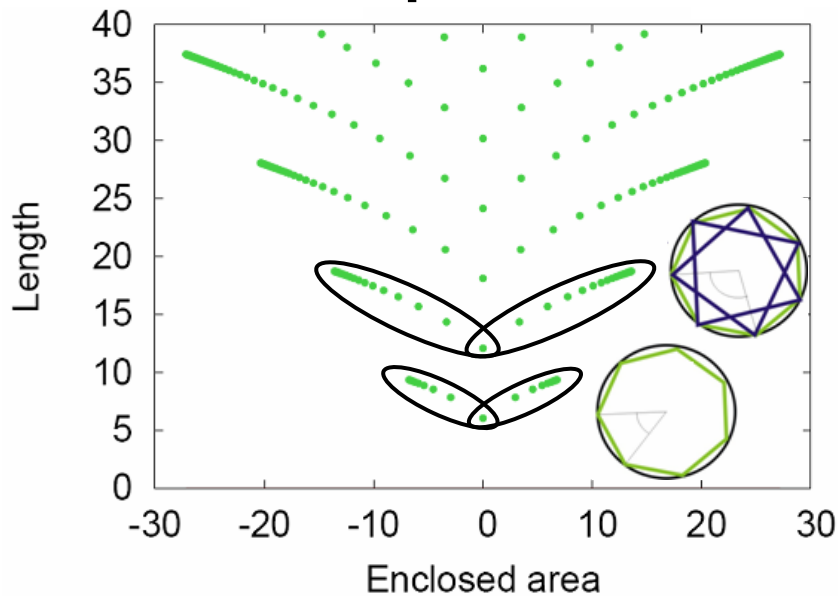
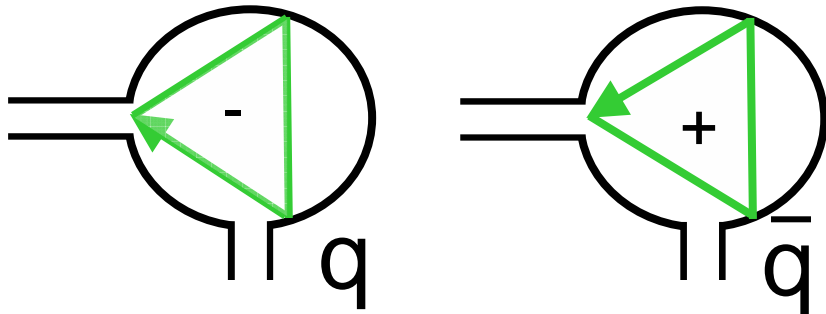


Sieber et al., PRE 55, 2279 (97).

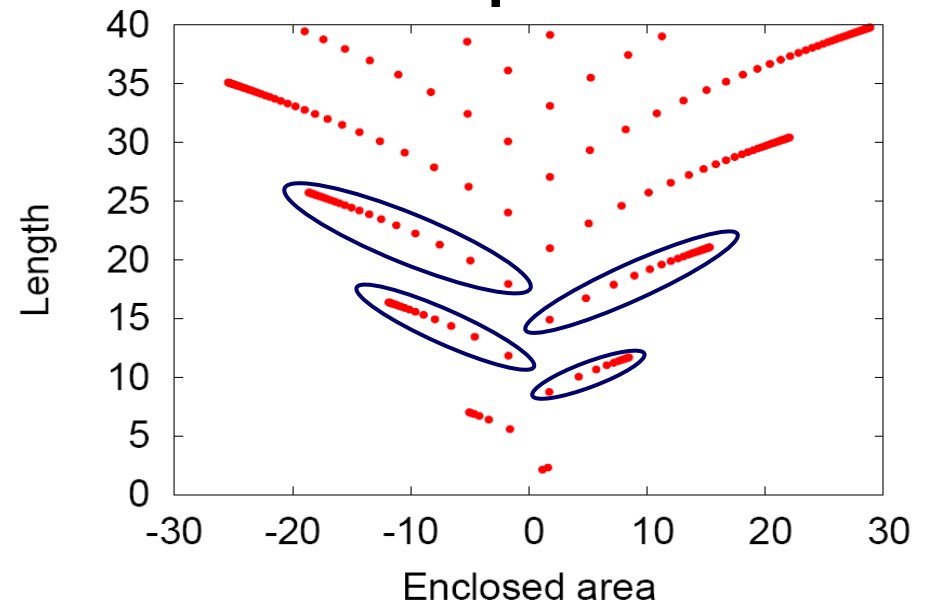
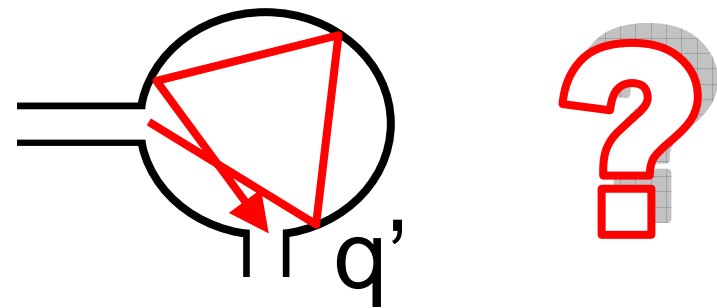
Keller, J. Opt. Soc. Amer. 52, 116 (62).

Classical paths

Reflection:
Time reversal symmetry

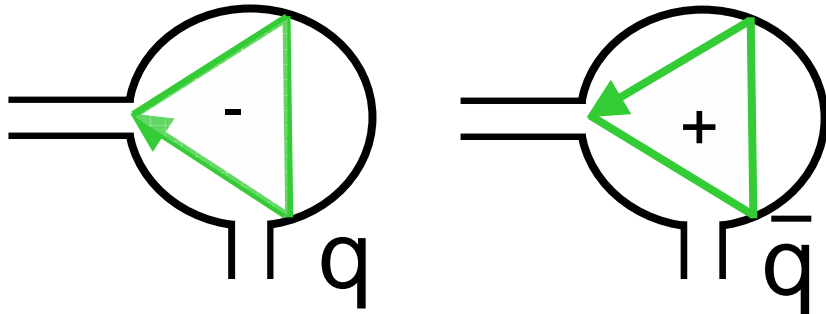


Transmission:
No left-right symmetry

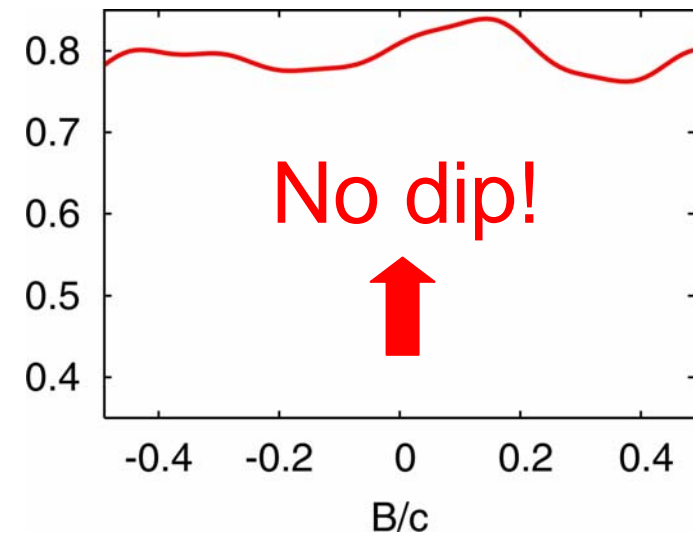
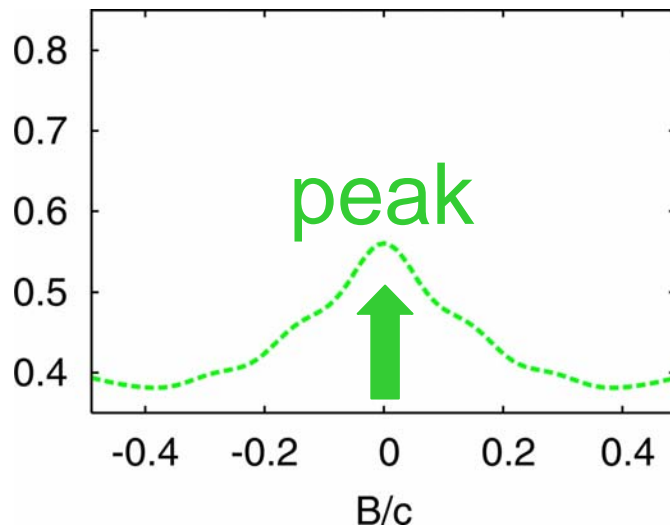
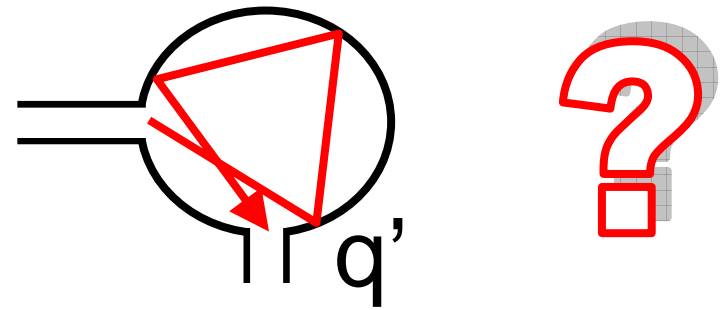


Classical paths insufficient

Reflection:
Time reversal symmetry

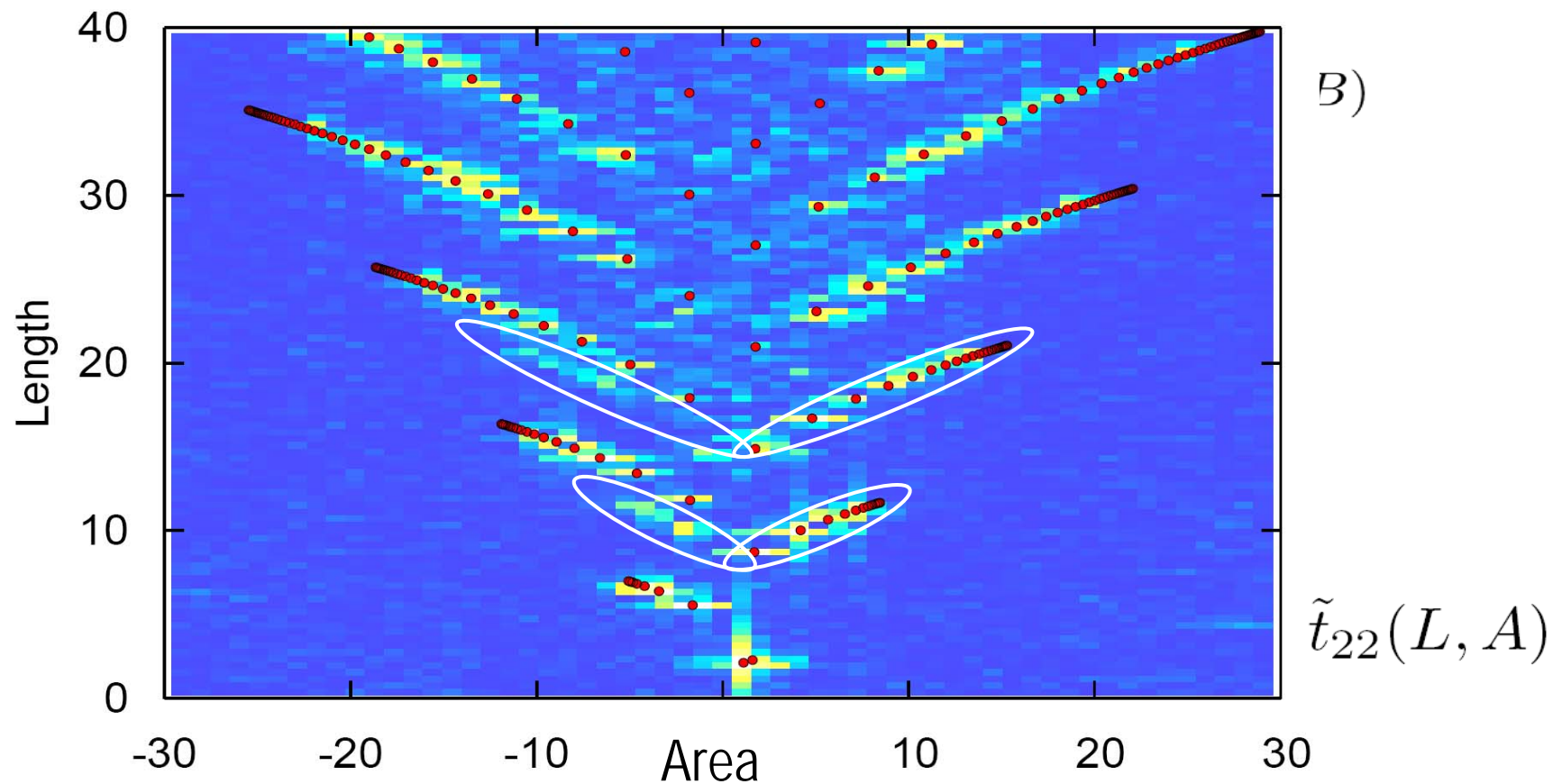


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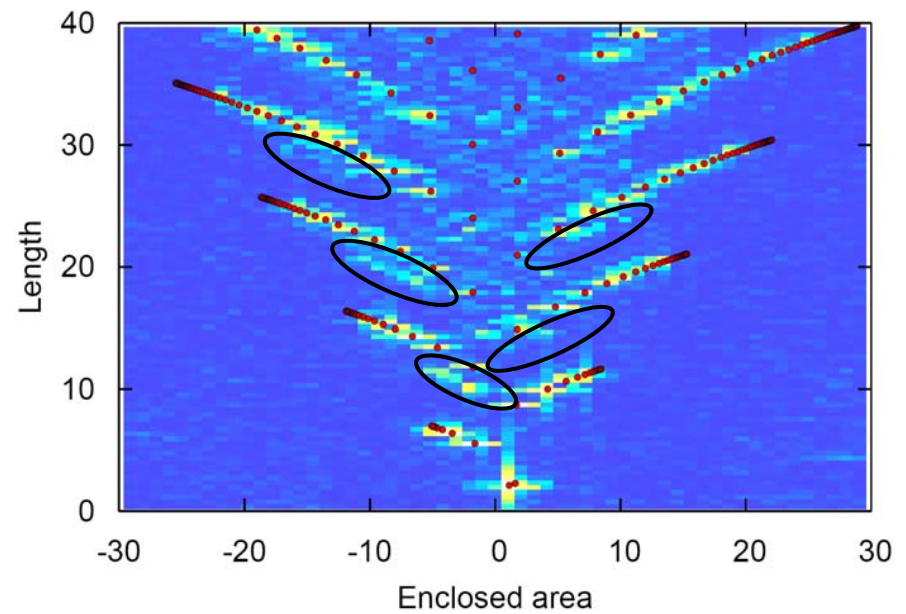
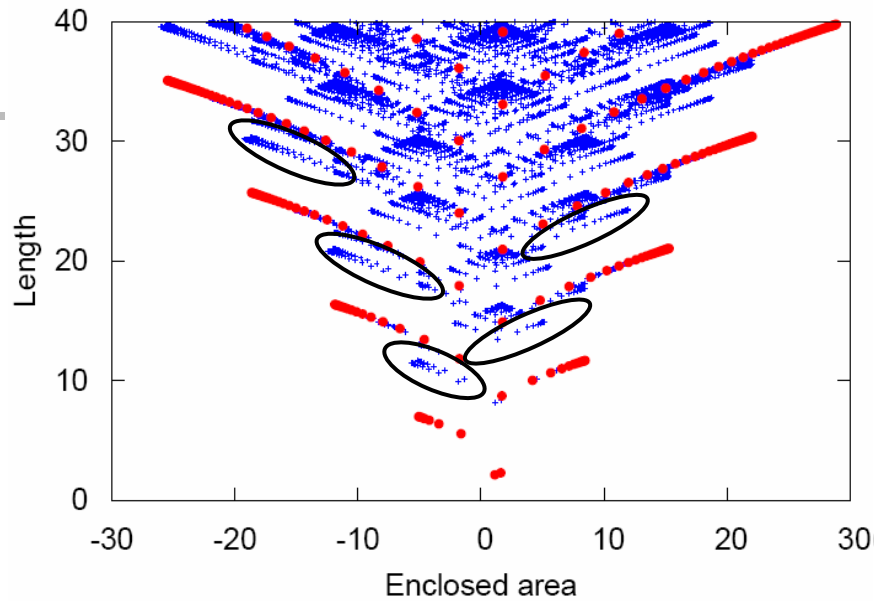
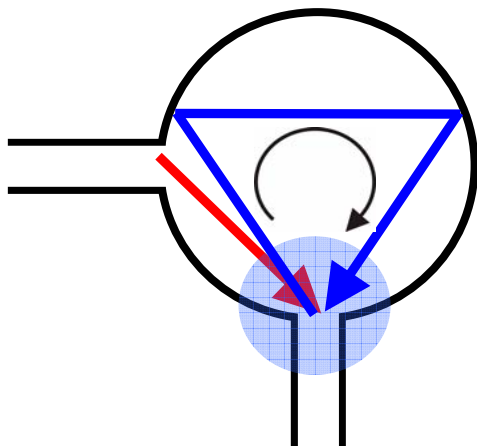
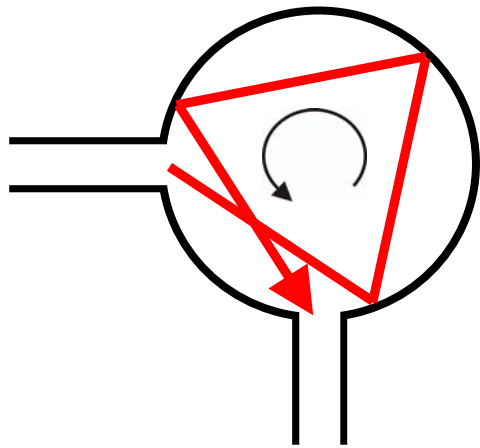


What's missing?

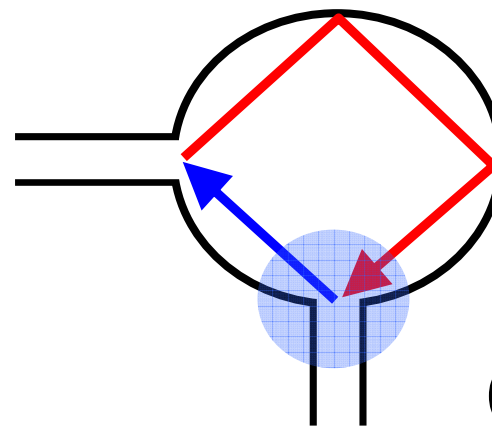
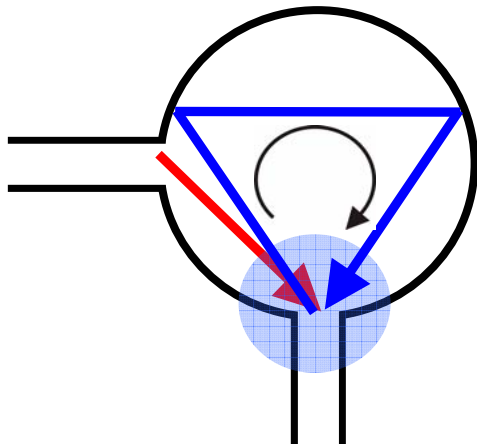
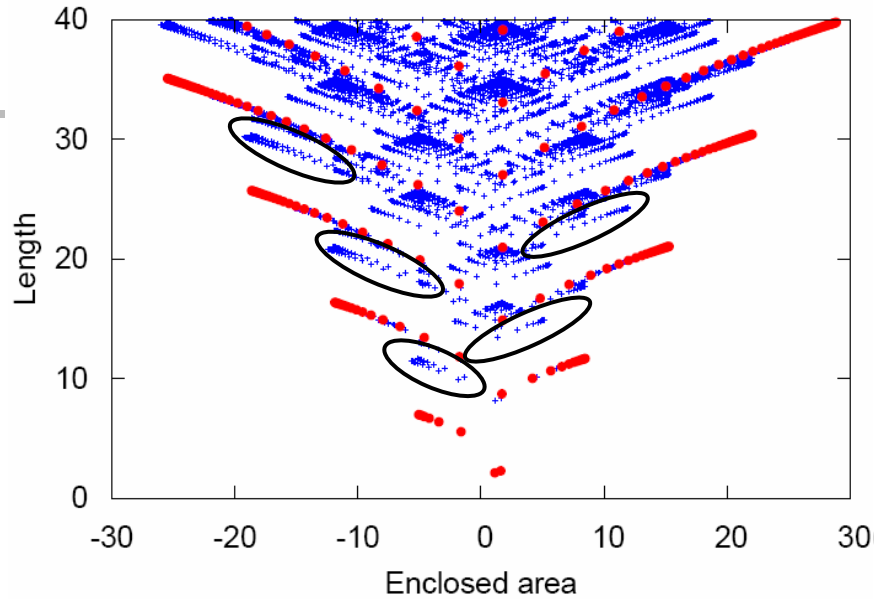
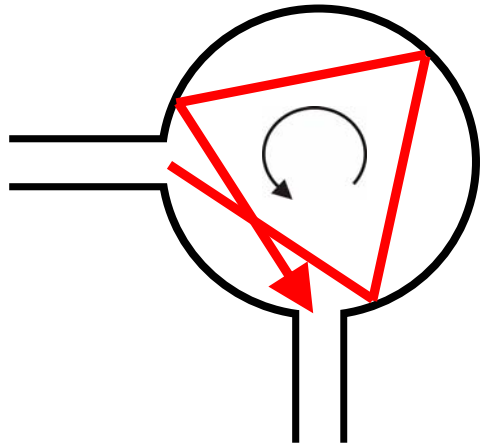
$$\tilde{S}_{nm}(L, A) = \int dk \int dB e^{-i(kL + \frac{B}{c}A)} S_{nm}(k, B)$$



Identify diffractive paths



Identify diffractive paths



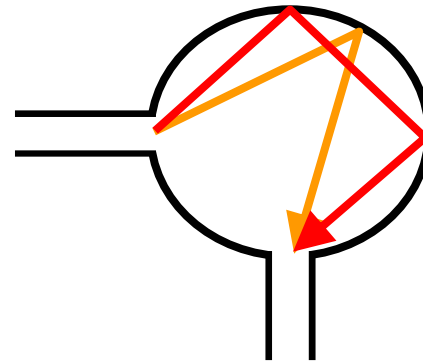
“Non-local
Correlation”

Pseudo-path semiclassical approximation (PSCA)

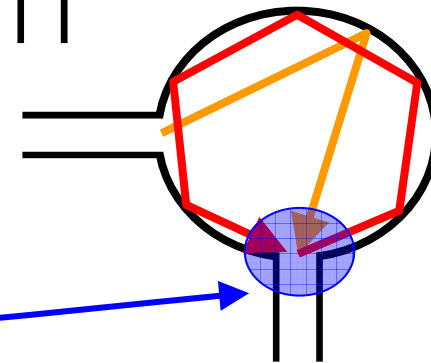
Dyson equation: $G^{PSCA} = G^{SC} + G^{SC} V G^{PSCA}$

$$G^{PSCA} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (G^{SC} V)^i G^{SC} \quad \text{Perturbative expansion}$$

■ $i=0$ $G^{SC} : \sum [\dots]$
class. paths q



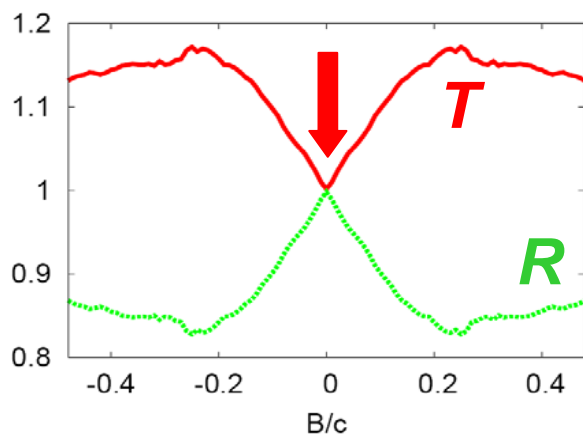
■ $i=1$ $G^{SC} V G^{SC} :$
 $\sum [\dots] v(\theta', \theta'') \sum [\dots]$
class. paths q' *class. paths q''*



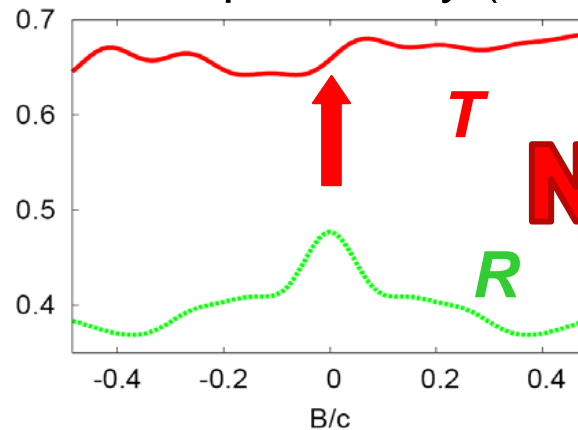
■ ...

Transmission Dip Reproducible

Full Quantum Result

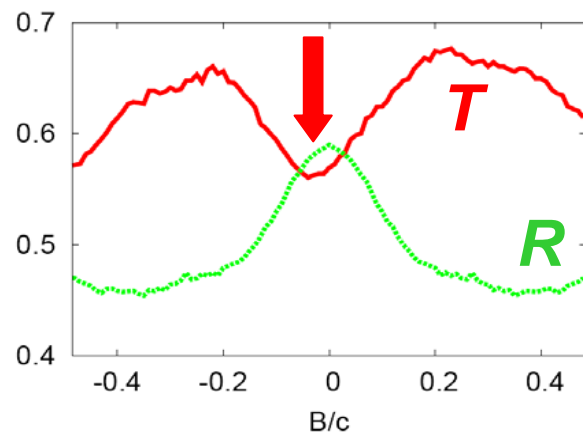


Classical paths only (SSCA)

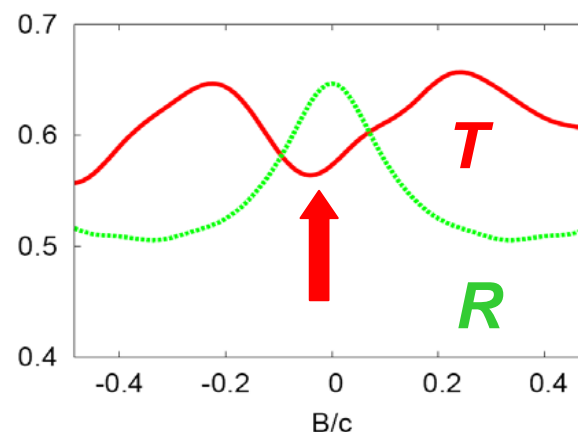


No dip!

Truncated Quantum Result



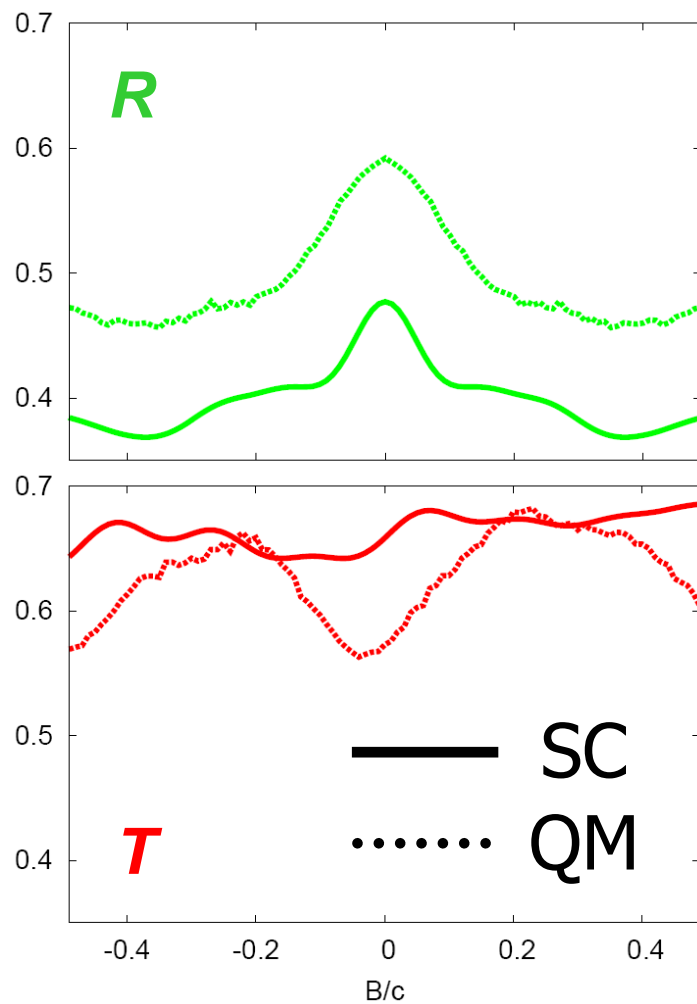
Classical and Diffracted Paths (PSCA)



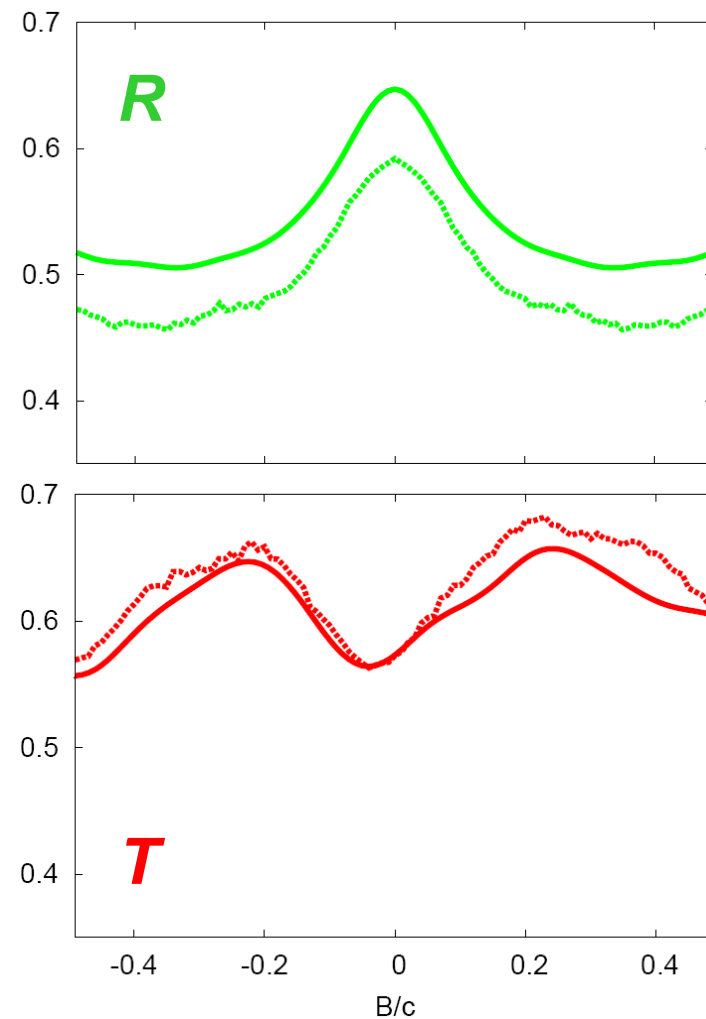
Dip!

Transmission Dip Reproducible

Truncated QM, Classical Paths

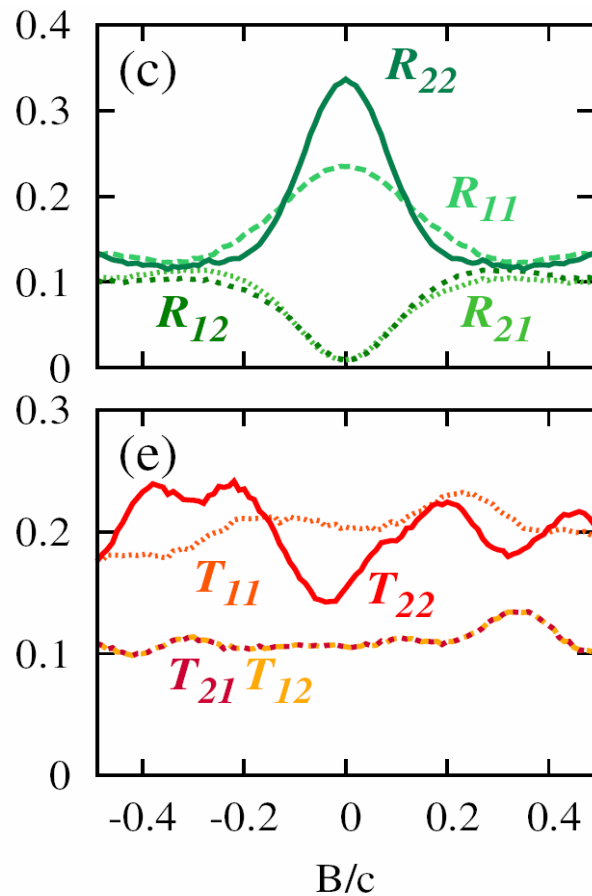


Truncated QM, Classical & Diffr. Paths

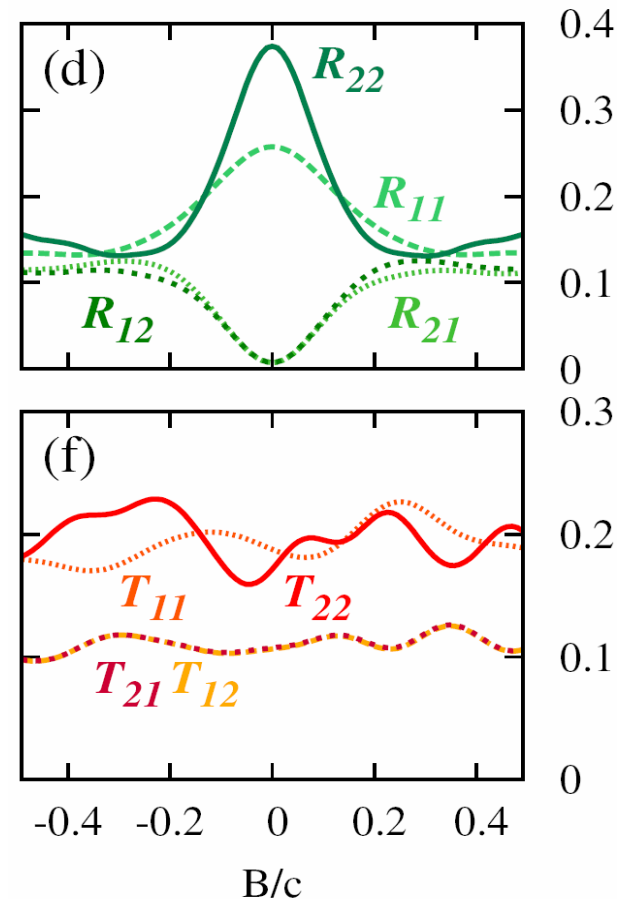


Comparison: S-matrix

Truncated Quantum Result



Classical and Diffracted Paths (PSCA)



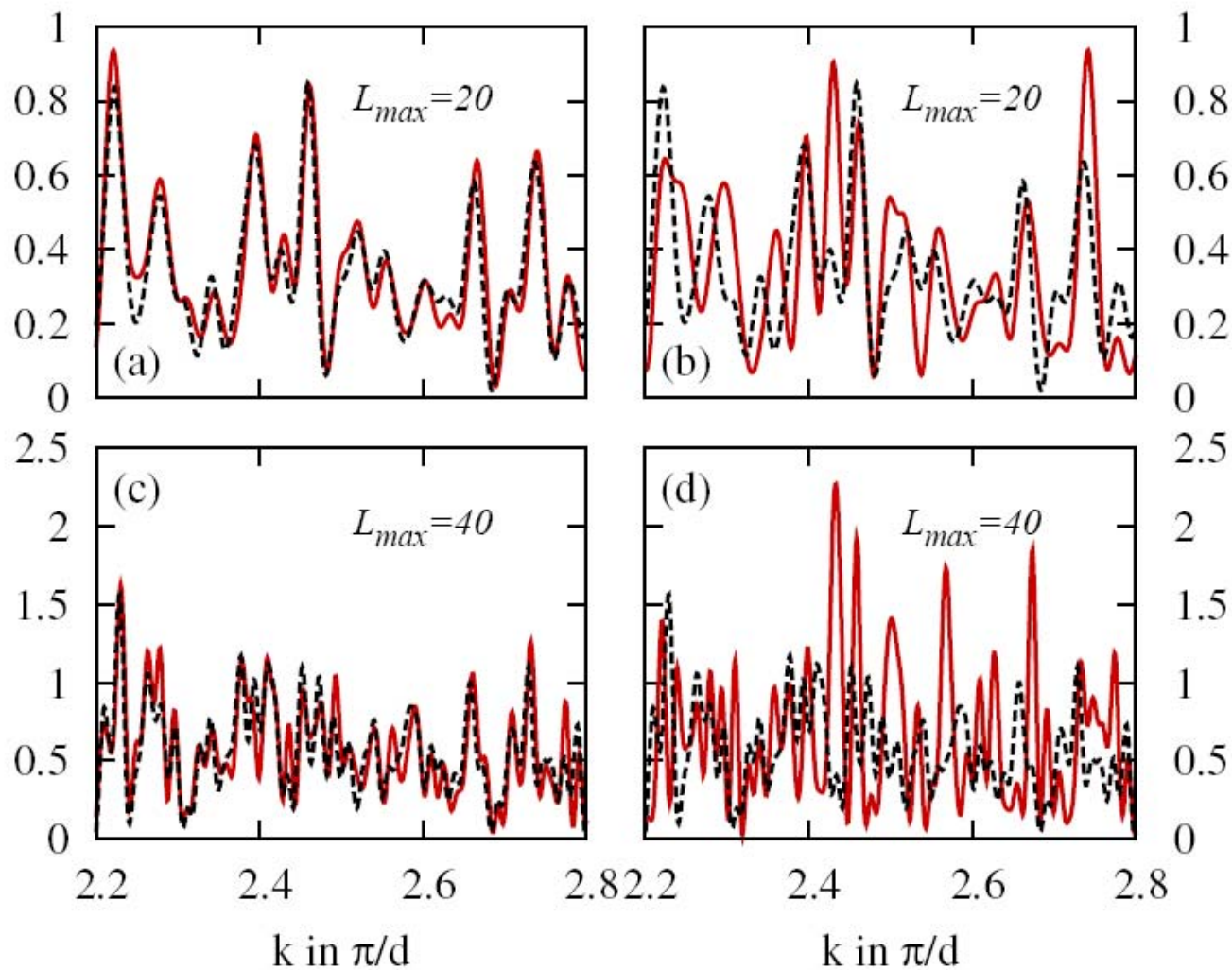
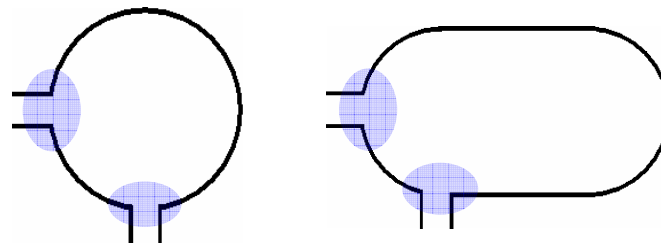


FIG. 8: Conductance fluctuations $T(k, B = 0)$ within truncated quantum mechanics (dashed line) and semiclassics (red solid line): PSCA (left column (a), (c)) and SSCA (right column (b),(d)).

Discussion



- New mechanism for WL in regular billiards
- Paths with corner-diffraction necessary for WL & Unitarity
- System-specific semiclassical theory which reproduces WL-dip in Conductance
- Paths shorter than L_E , L_ϕ (experiment!)
- Especially important for low N
- Effect persists for $\lambda > r_c$
- Diffractive paths: regular & chaotic cavities

Outlook

- Contributions to shot-noise, conductance fluctuations
- Diffractive paths in chaotic systems
- Relation to “universal” path pairs
- Crossover diffractive-chaotic orbits

The End

Thank you for your attention!

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