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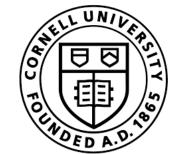
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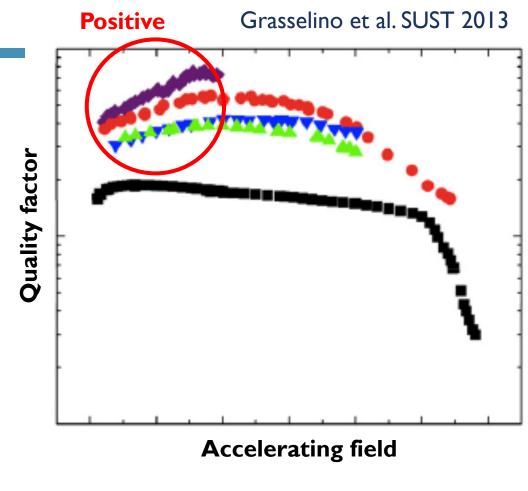
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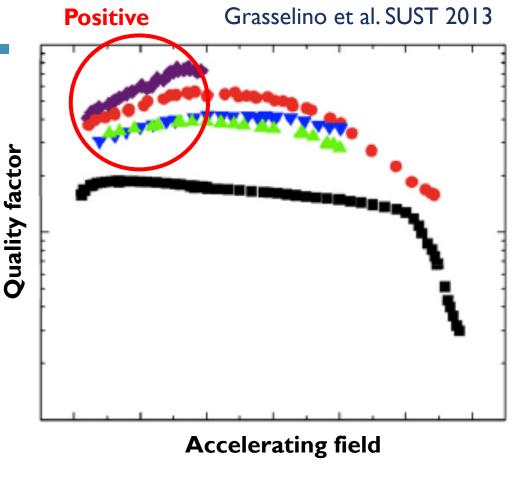
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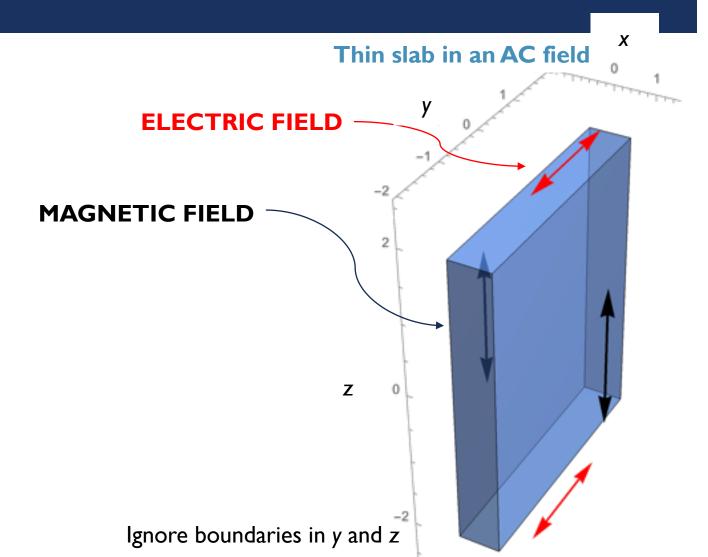
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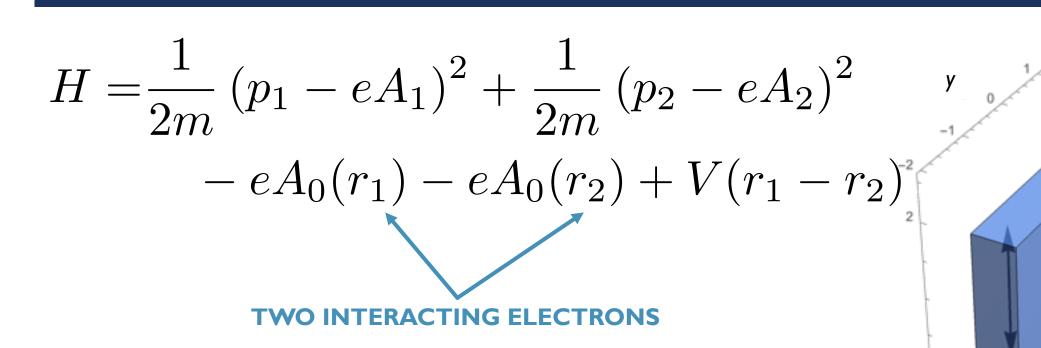
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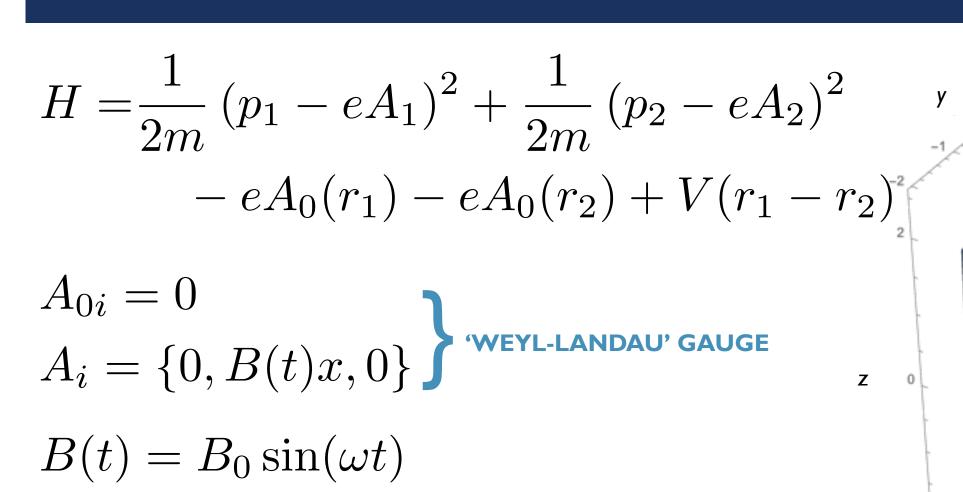
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$$V_{k,k'} = \begin{cases} -\frac{V}{L^2D}, & \text{if } \left| \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} - \epsilon_F \right| \text{ and } \left| \frac{\hbar^2 k'^2}{2m} - \epsilon_F \right| < \hbar \omega_D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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$$\langle \psi_{BCS} | H_R' | \psi_{BCS} \rangle - E_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{N}(0) \Delta^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\omega_c}{\omega} \right)^2 \right]$$

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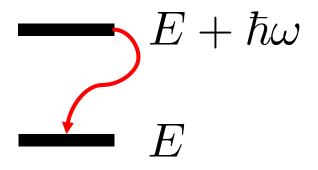
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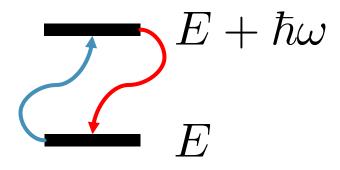


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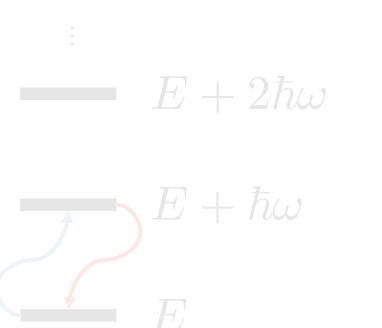
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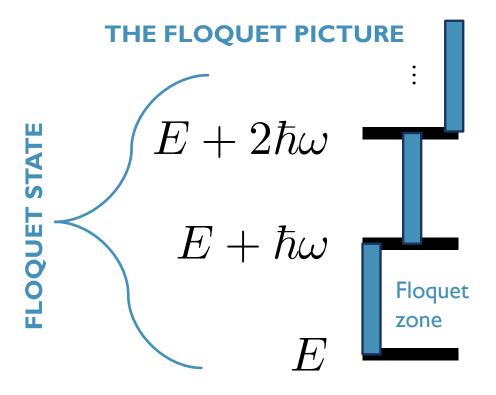
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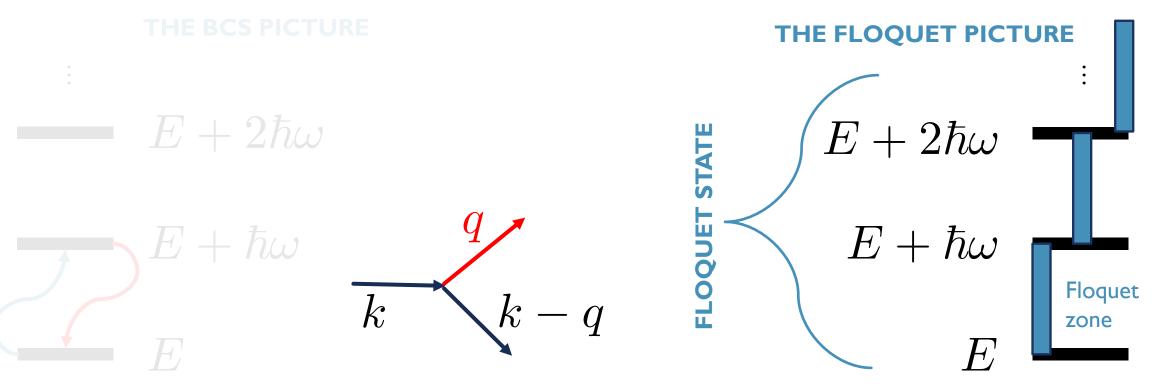
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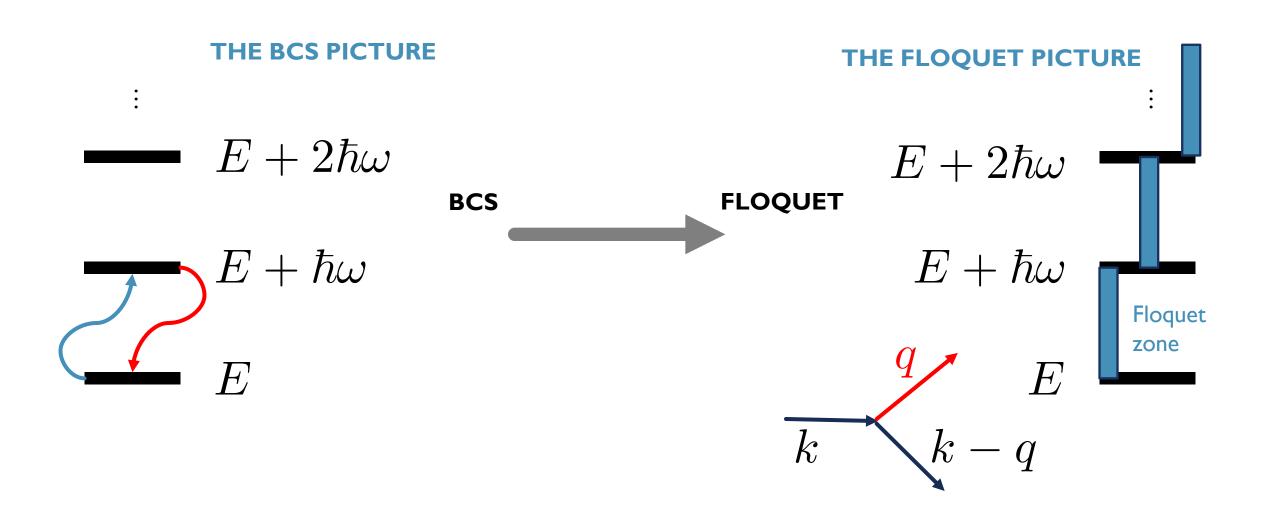
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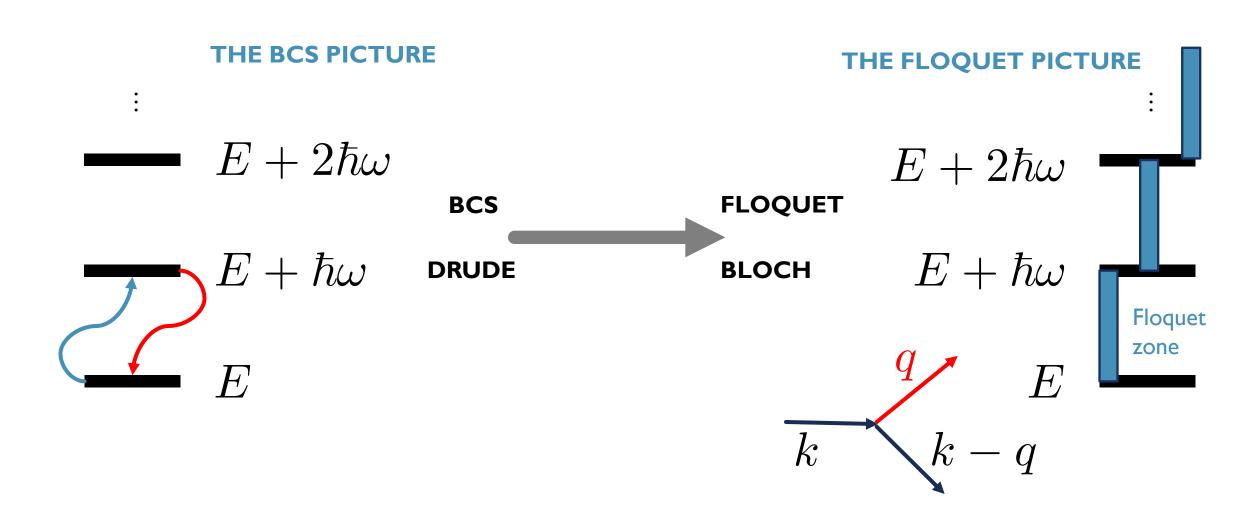


DISSIPATION CAN ONLY HAPPEN WHEN THE COHERENT SUM OVER FLOQUET STATES IS BROKEN BY COLLISIONS

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