



# The reabsorption effect with single-electron sources: heat current vs charge current

Géraldine Haack

with Michael Moskalets and Markus Büttiker

Phys. Rev. B **87**, 125429 (2013)

Grenoble, 30.09.2014



# Thermodynamics at the quantum level

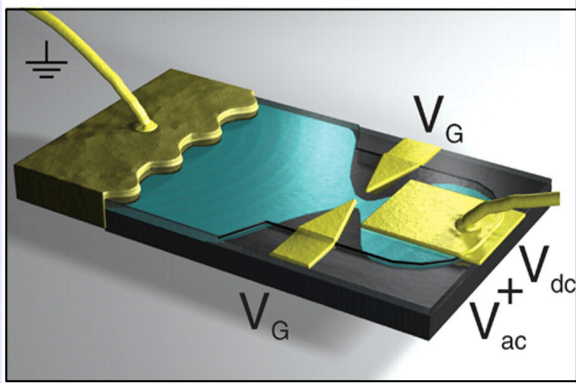
- Defining properly thermodynamical quantities: Efficiency, heat, work, power...

Efficiency at a given output power (R. S. Whitney)

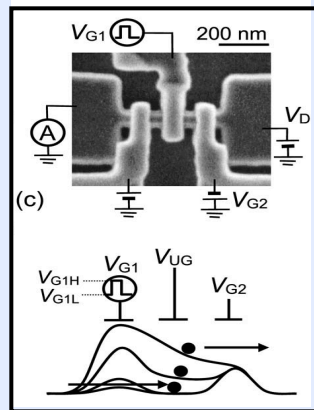
Entropy generation for out-of-equilibrium systems (M. Esposito)

Minimal amount of work for 1 qubit erasure (R. Renner, C. Browne)

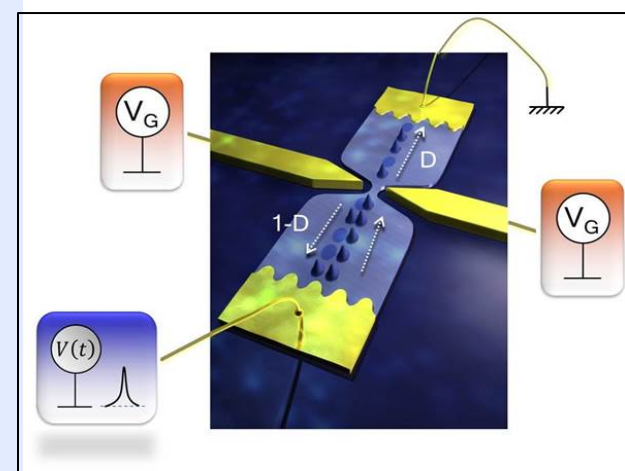
- Out-of-equilibrium systems : driven sources for single-electrons



Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006)  
Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)  
Bocquillon *et al.*, Science **339** (2013)



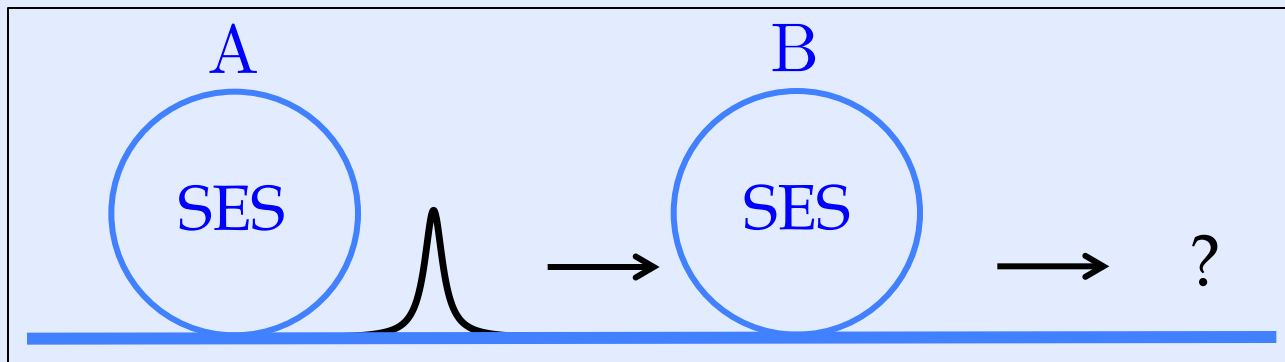
Blumenthal *et al.*, Nat. Phys. **3** (2007)  
Fujiwara *et al.*, App. Phys. Lett **92** (2008)



Dubois *et al.*, Nature **502** (2013)

# Outline

- Heat current emitted by the periodically driven SES
- Multi-particle emitter
  - Reabsorption effect
  - Emission of energy modes (carry no charge)



# Heat current

- Scattering-matrix approach  
Low temperature, low-frequency limit
- Charge current operator

$$\hat{I}_\alpha(t) = \frac{e}{h} \iint dE dE' e^{i(E-E')t/\hbar} \left[ \hat{b}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{b}_\alpha(E') - \hat{a}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{a}_\alpha(E') \right]$$

$$\hat{b}_\alpha(E') = \sum_\beta \sum_{E'_n} S_{F,\beta\alpha}(E', E'_n) \hat{a}_\beta(E'_n)$$

# Heat current

- Scattering-matrix approach  
Low temperature, low-frequency limit
- Heat flow operator

$$\hat{J}_\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{h} \iint dE dE' (E - \mu) e^{i(E-E')t/\hbar} \left[ \hat{b}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{b}_\alpha(E') - \hat{a}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{a}_\alpha(E') \right]$$

$$\hat{b}_\alpha(E') = \sum_\beta \sum_{E'_n} S_{F,\beta\alpha}(E', E'_n) \hat{a}_\beta(E'_n)$$

R. S. Whitney, arXiv:1408.3348

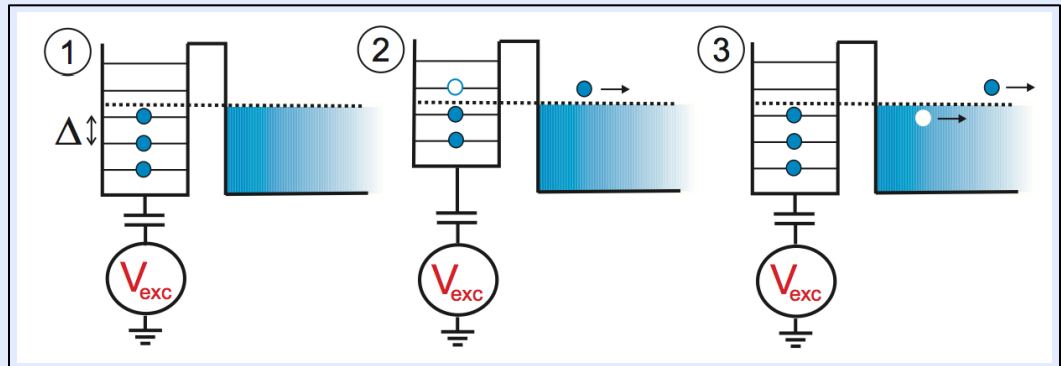
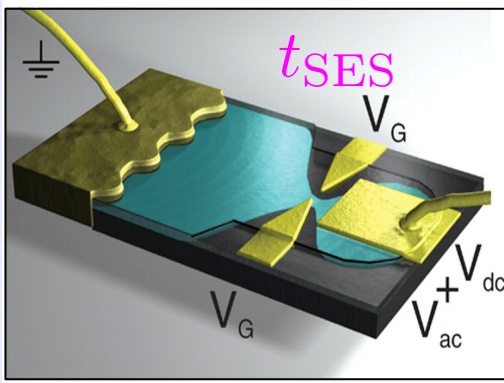
P. N. Butcher, J. Phys. Cond. Matter 2 (1990)

# Heat current

- Scattering-matrix approach  
Low temperature, low-frequency limit
- Heat flow operator

$$\hat{J}_\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{h} \iint dE dE' (E - \mu) e^{i(E-E')t/\hbar} \left[ \hat{b}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{b}_\alpha(E') - \hat{a}_\alpha^\dagger(E) \hat{a}_\alpha(E') \right]$$

$$\hat{b}_\alpha(E') = \sum_\beta \sum_{E'_n} S_{F,\beta\alpha}(E', E'_n) \hat{a}_\beta(E'_n)$$



Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006), Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)

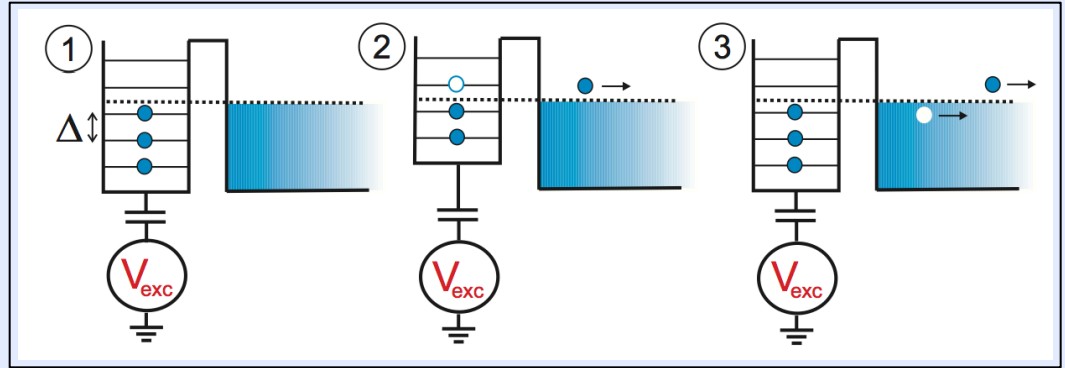
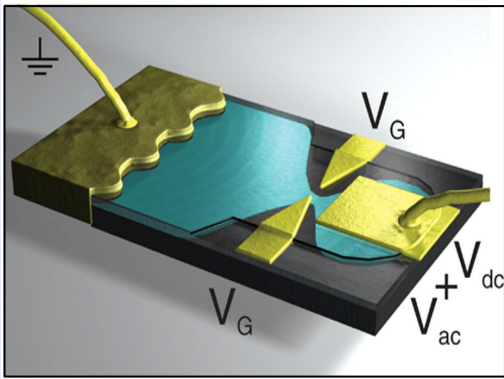
- Fabry-Pérot like expression:

$$S_{\text{SES}}(t, E) = r_{\text{SES}} + \frac{t_{\text{SES}}^2}{r_{\text{SES}}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r_{\text{SES}}^n e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} \left( nE\tau - \int_{t-n\tau}^t dt' eV(t') \right)}$$

Büttiker, PRB **46** (1992)

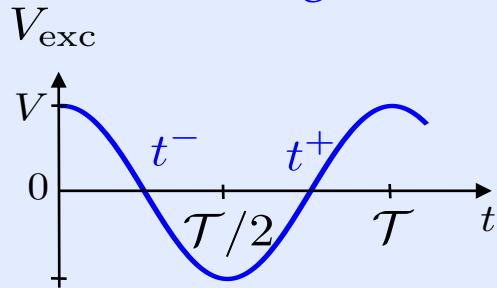
Moskalets and Büttiker, PRB **80** (2009)

# Heat current for the SES

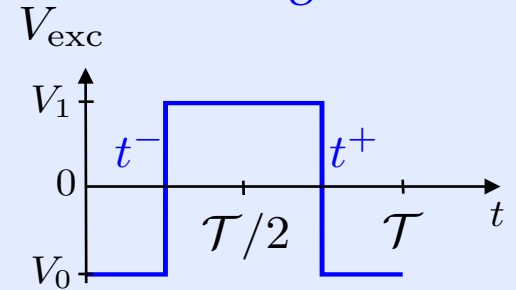


Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006), Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)

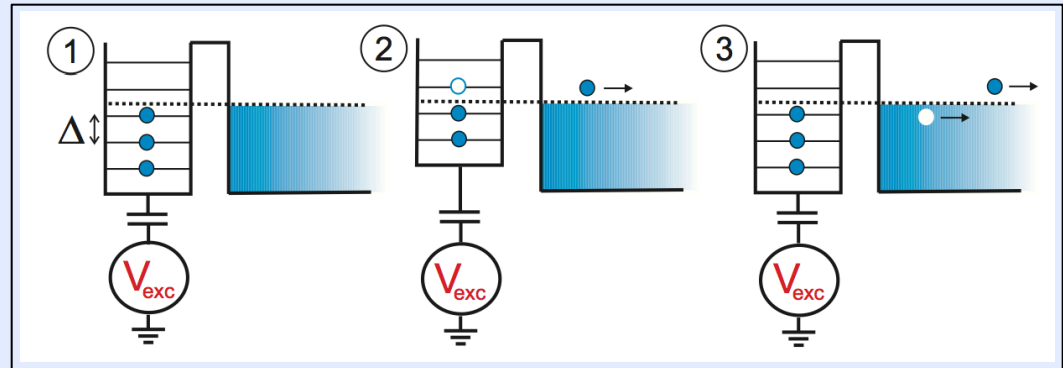
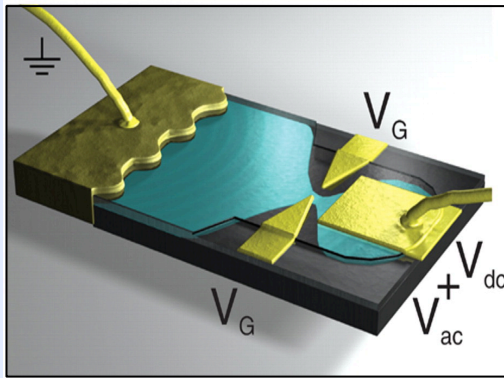
## Adiabatic regime



## Non-adiabatic regime

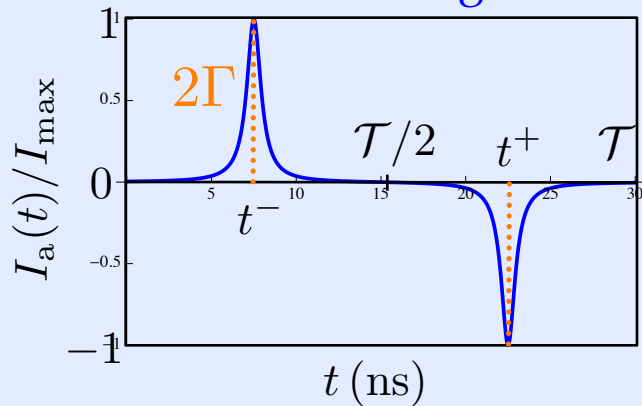


# Heat current for the SES



Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006), Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)

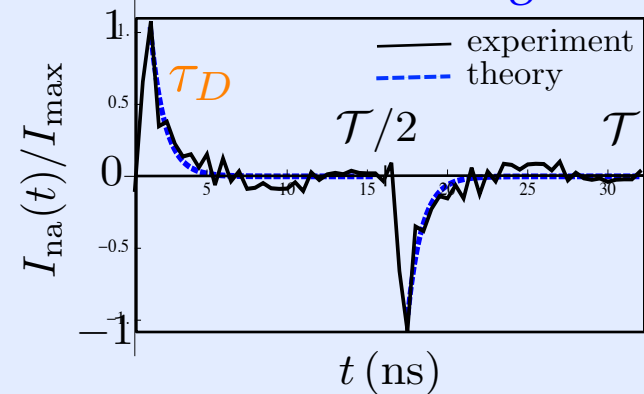
## Adiabatic regime



- For a single-electron state :

$$I_a(t) = \frac{e\Gamma/\pi}{(t - t^-)^2 + \Gamma^2}$$

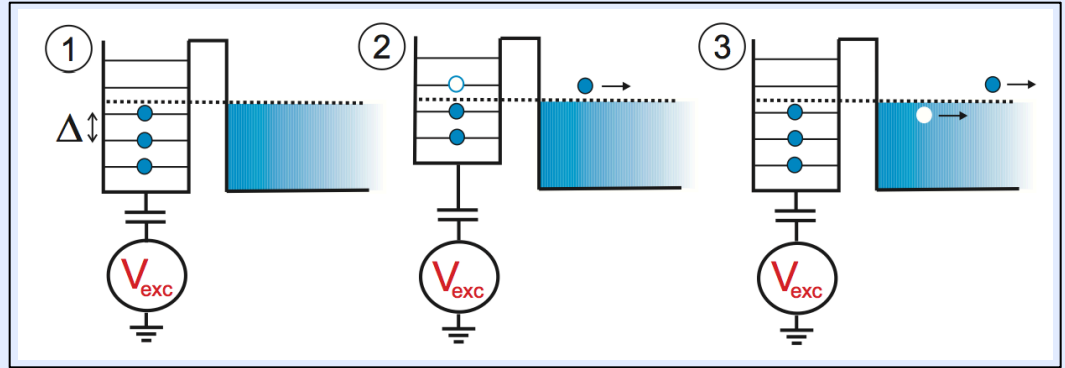
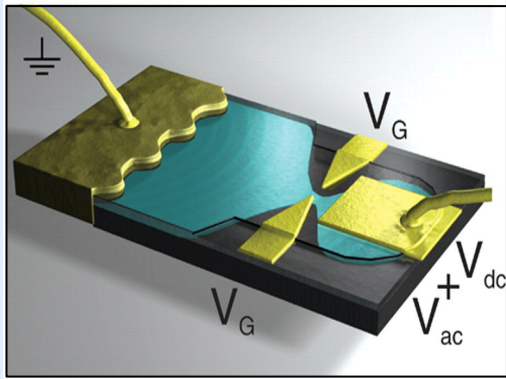
## Non-adiabatic regime



$$I_{na}(t) = \frac{e}{\tau_D} \exp^{-(t-t^-)/\tau_D}$$

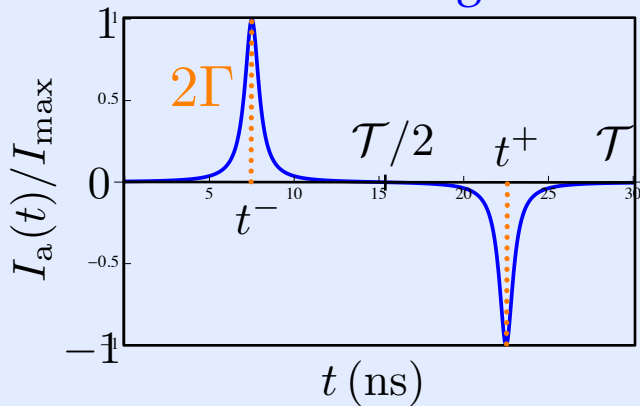


# Heat current for the SES



Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006), Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)

## Adiabatic regime

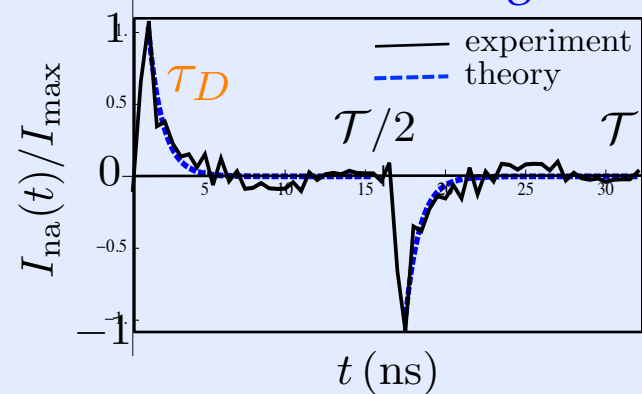


- For a single-electron state :

$$I_a(t) = \frac{e\Gamma/\pi}{(t - t^-)^2 + \Gamma^2}$$

$$J_a(t) = \frac{\hbar\Gamma^2/\pi}{((t - t^-)^2 + \Gamma^2)^2}$$

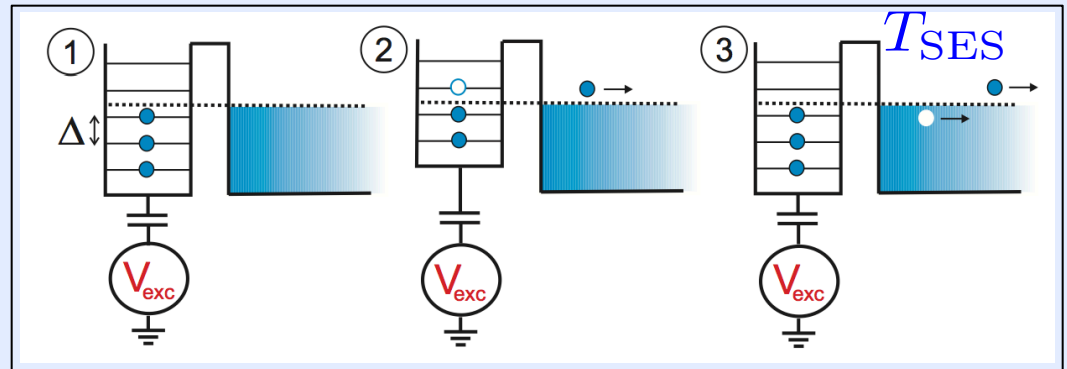
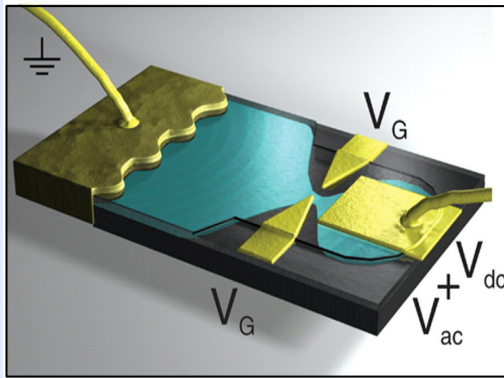
## Non-adiabatic regime



$$I_{na}(t) = \frac{e}{\tau_D} \exp^{-(t-t^-)/\tau_D}$$

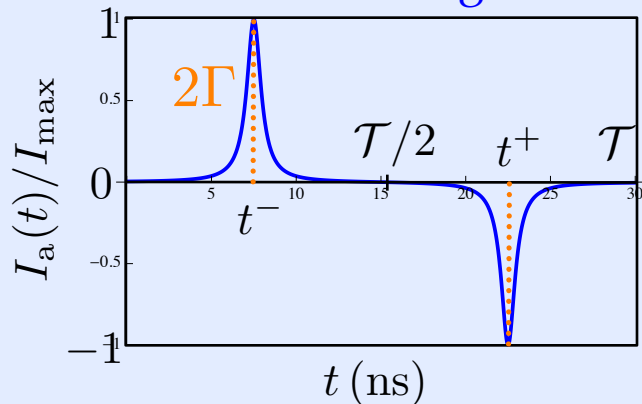
$$J_{na}(t) = \frac{\Delta}{2\tau_D} \exp^{-(t-t^-)/\tau_D}$$

# Heat current for the SES



Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006), Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)

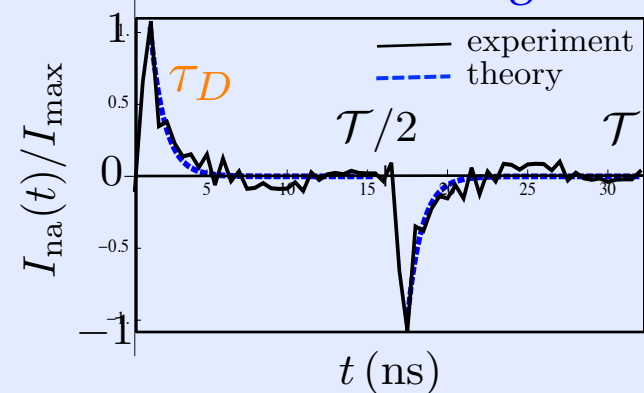
## Adiabatic regime



- For a single-electron state :

$$\overline{J_a(t)} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \overline{I_a^2(t)}$$

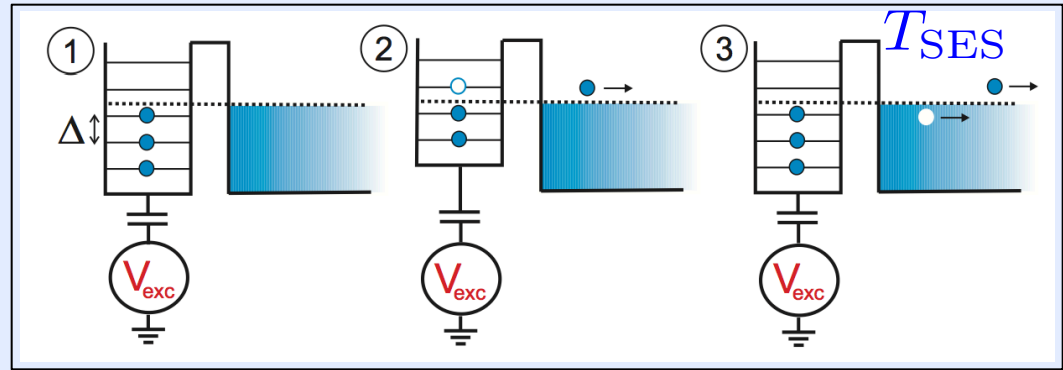
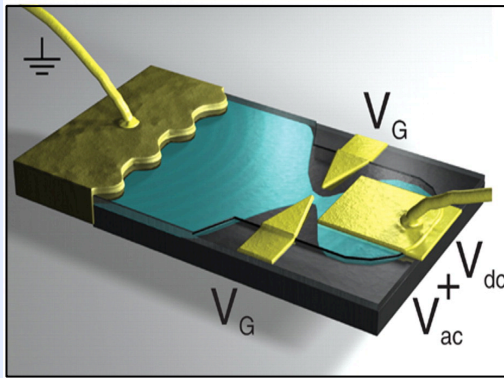
## Non-adiabatic regime



$$\overline{J_{na}(t)} = \frac{h}{e^2 T_{SES}} \overline{I_{na}^2(t)}$$

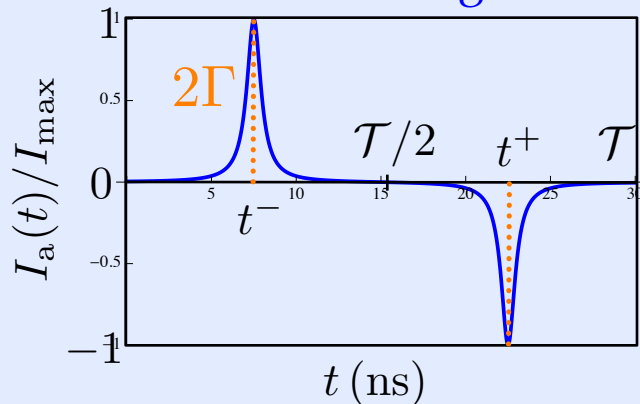
**Joule-Lenz law holds for single-particle state in both regimes**

# Heat current for the SES



Gabelli *et al.*, Science **313** (2006), Fève *et al.*, Science **316** (2007)

## Adiabatic regime

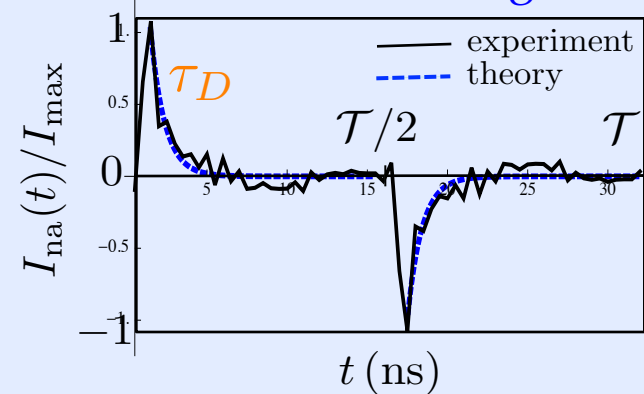


- For a single-electron state :

$$\overline{J_a(t)} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \overline{I_a^2(t)}$$

Joule heat due to  
the relaxation resistance quantum

## Non-adiabatic regime

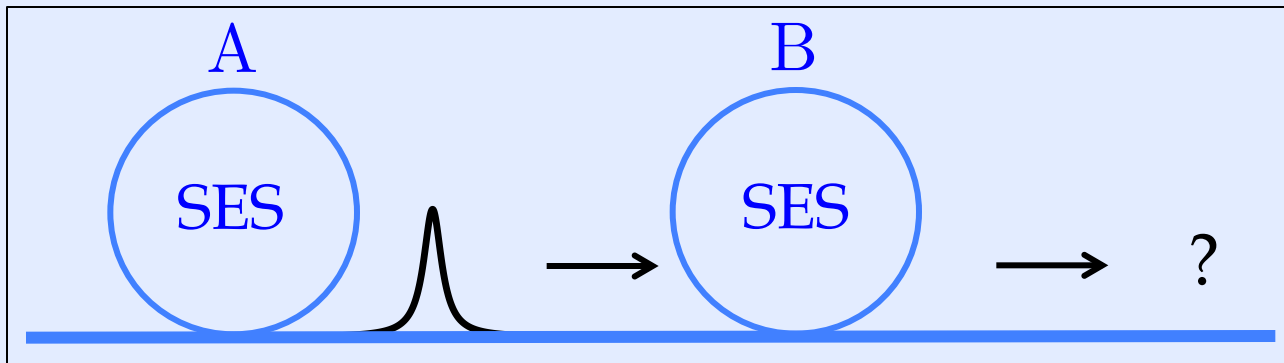


$$\overline{J_{na}(t)} = \frac{h}{e^2 T_{SES}} \overline{I_{na}^2(t)}$$

Joule heat due to  
the 2-terminal resistance

# Outline

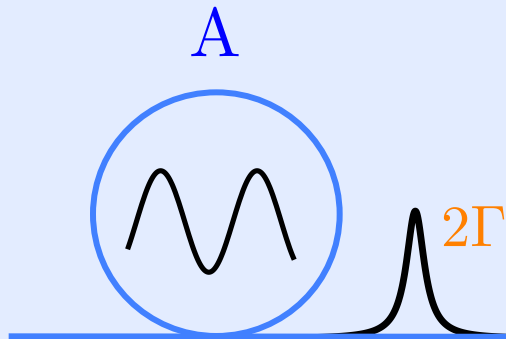
- Heat current emitted by the periodically driven SES
- Multi-particle emitter
  - Reabsorption effect
  - Emission of energy modes (carry no charge)



# The reabsorption effect

## Single-particle states

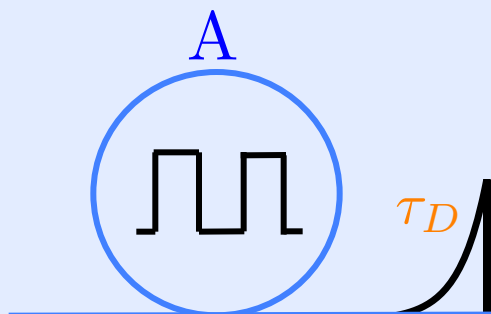
a) Adiabatic emission



$$\overline{I(t)} = e$$

$$\overline{J(t)} = \frac{\hbar}{2\Gamma}$$

b) Non-adiabatic emission

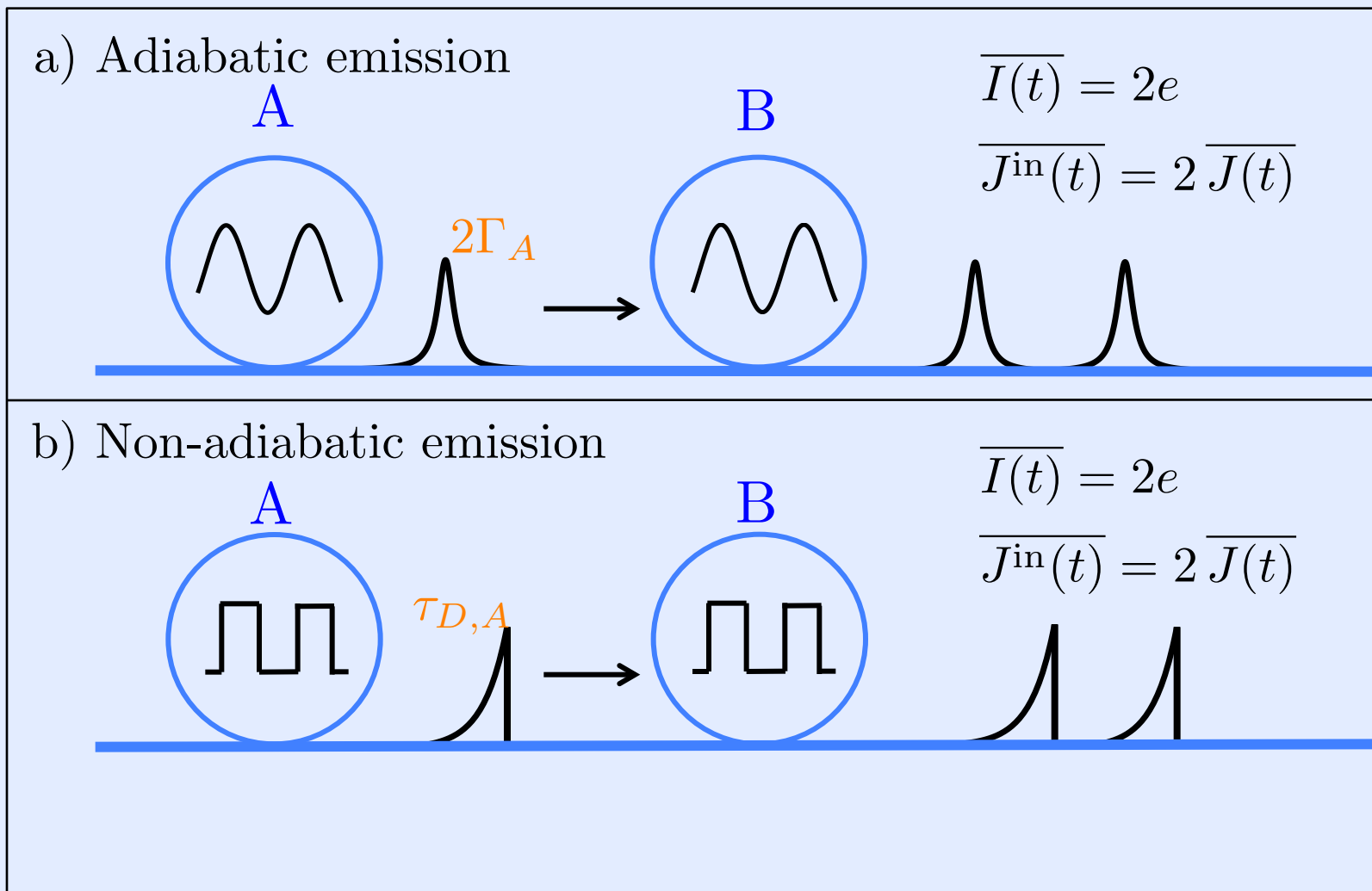


$$\overline{I(t)} = e$$

$$\overline{J(t)} = \frac{\hbar\pi}{T_{\text{SES}}\tau_D}$$

# The reabsorption effect

## Independent single-particle states

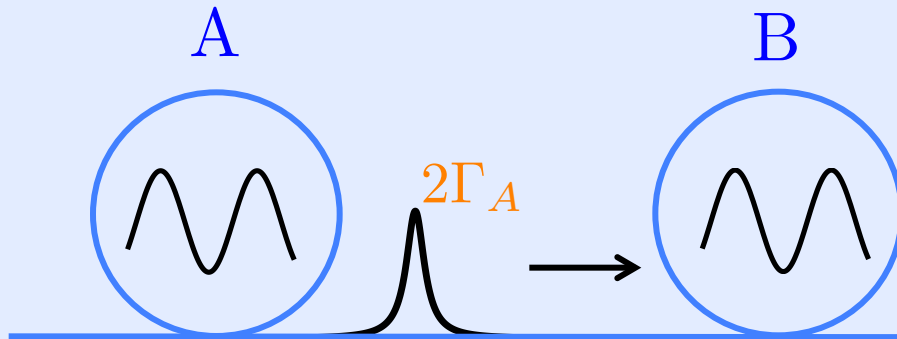


Floquet S-matrix: 
$$S_F^{(2)}(E, E_n) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_F^B(E, E_l) e^{i\phi_L} e^{il\Omega\tau_L} S_F^A(E_l, E_n)$$

# The reabsorption effect

## Electron-electron pair emission

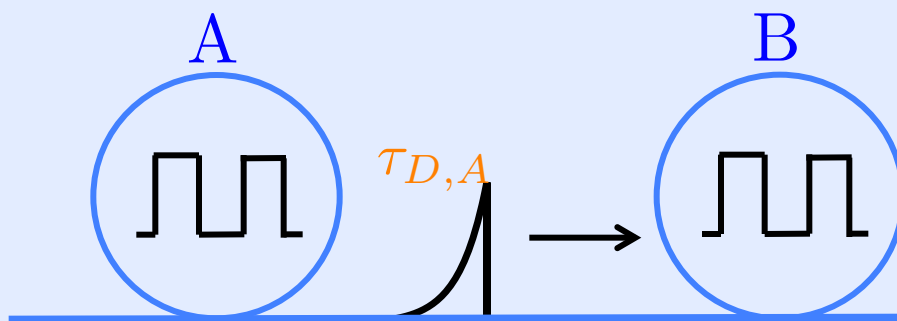
a) Adiabatic emission



$$\overline{I(t)} = 2e$$

?

b) Non-adiabatic emission

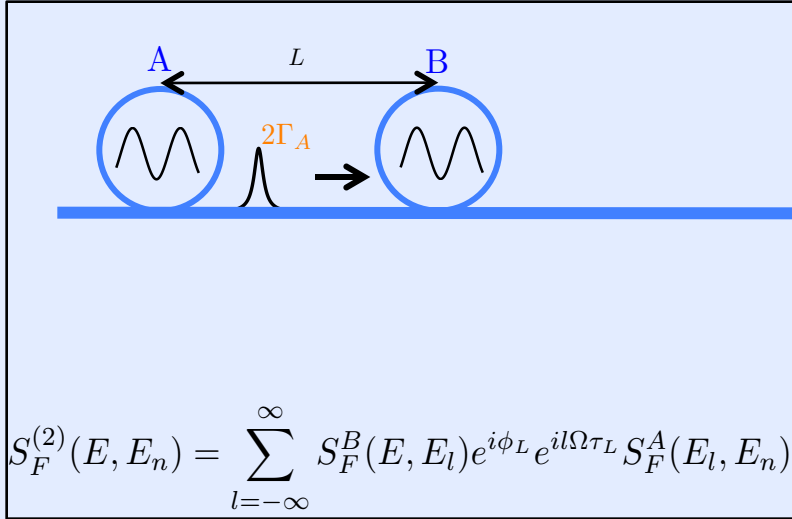


$$\overline{I(t)} = 2e$$

?

Floquet S-matrix: 
$$S_F^{(2)}(E, E_n) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_F^B(E, E_l) e^{i\phi_L} e^{il\Omega\tau_L} S_F^A(E_l, E_n)$$

# The reabsorption effect



$$\Delta t_{AB}^{++} \equiv t_A^+ - t_B^+$$

$$\Gamma \equiv \Gamma_A + \Gamma_B$$

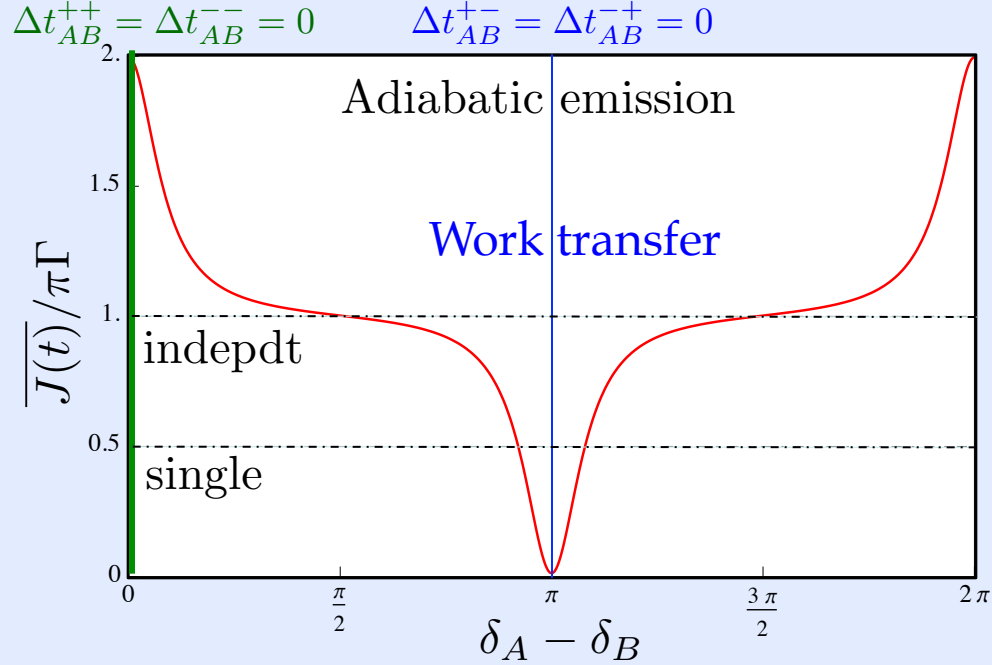
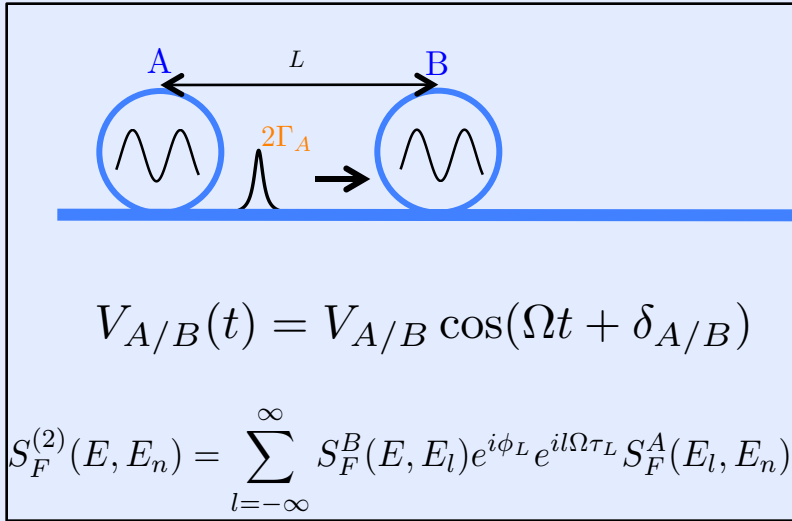
- Adiabatic emission:

$$\overline{I^2(t)} \propto \frac{e^2}{\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{++})^2 + \Gamma^2} + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{--})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{+-})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{-+})^2 + \Gamma^2} \right)$$

$$\overline{J(t)} \propto \frac{h}{2\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{++})^2 + \Gamma^2} + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{--})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{+-})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{-+})^2 + \Gamma^2} \right)$$



# The reabsorption effect



- Adiabatic emission:

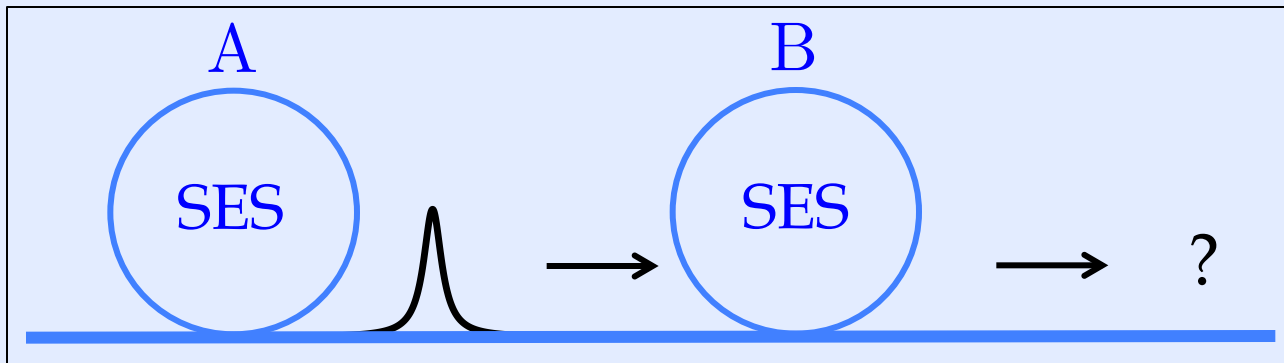
$$\overline{I^2(t)} \propto \frac{e^2}{\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{++})^2 + \Gamma^2} + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{--})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{+-})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{-+})^2 + \Gamma^2} \right)$$

$$\overline{J(t)} \propto \frac{h}{2\pi} \left( 1 + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{++})^2 + \Gamma^2} + \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{--})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{+-})^2 + \Gamma^2} - \frac{2\Gamma_A\Gamma_B}{(\Delta t_{AB}^{-+})^2 + \Gamma^2} \right)$$

Joule-Lenz law valid:  $\overline{J(t)} = \frac{h}{2e^2} \overline{I^2(t)}$

# Outline

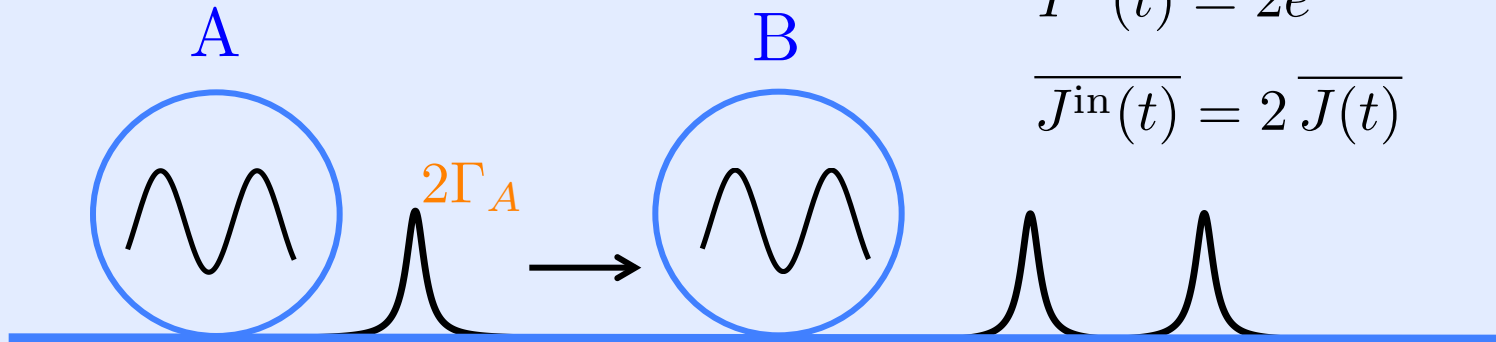
- Heat current emitted by the periodically driven SES
- Multi-particle emitter
  - Reabsorption effect
  - Emission of energy modes (carry no charge)



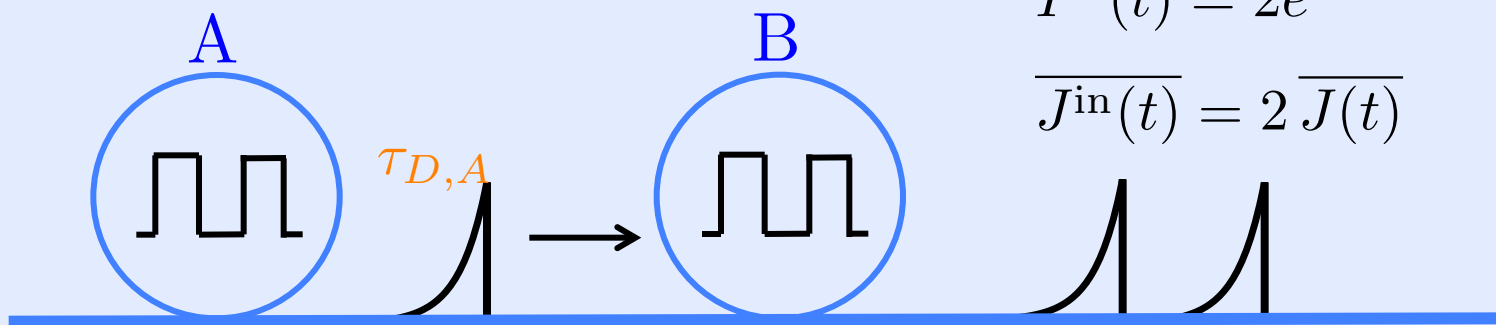
# The reabsorption effect

## Independent single-particle states

a) Adiabatic emission



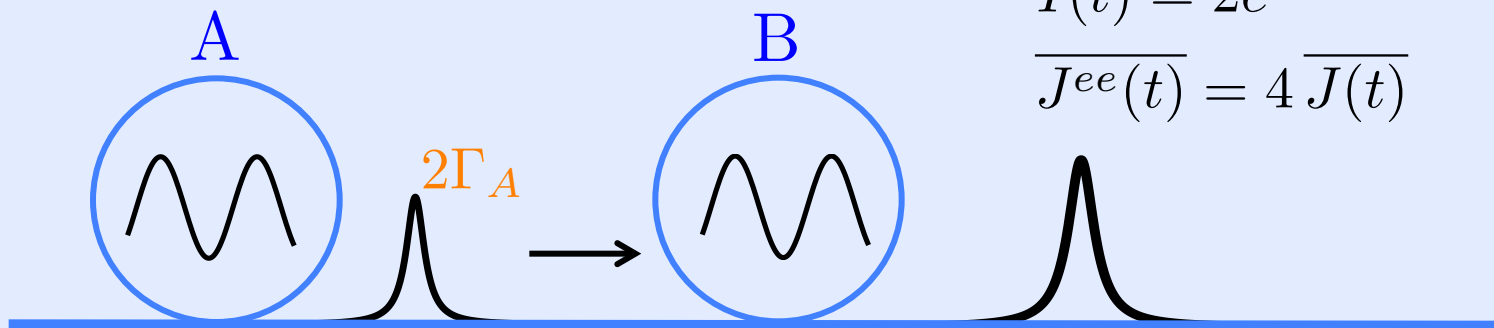
b) Non-adiabatic emission



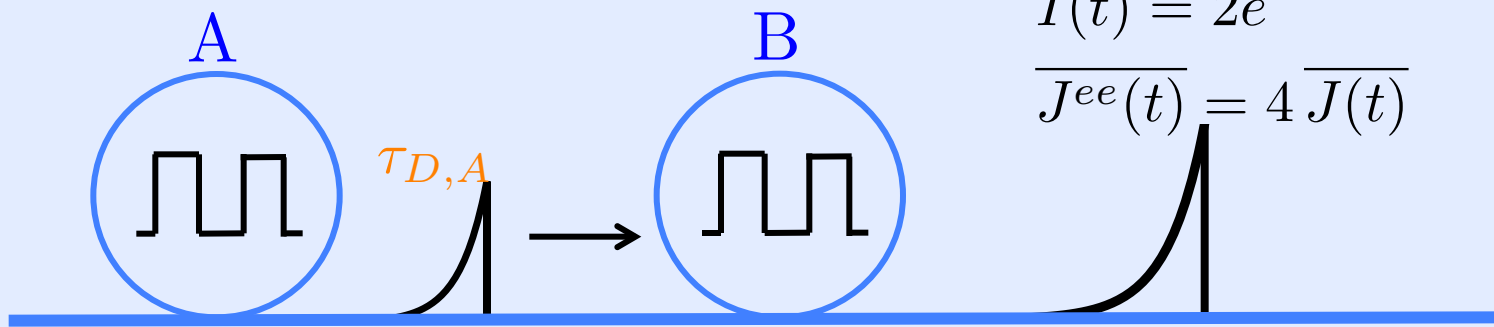
# The reabsorption effect

## Electron-electron pair emission

a) Adiabatic emission



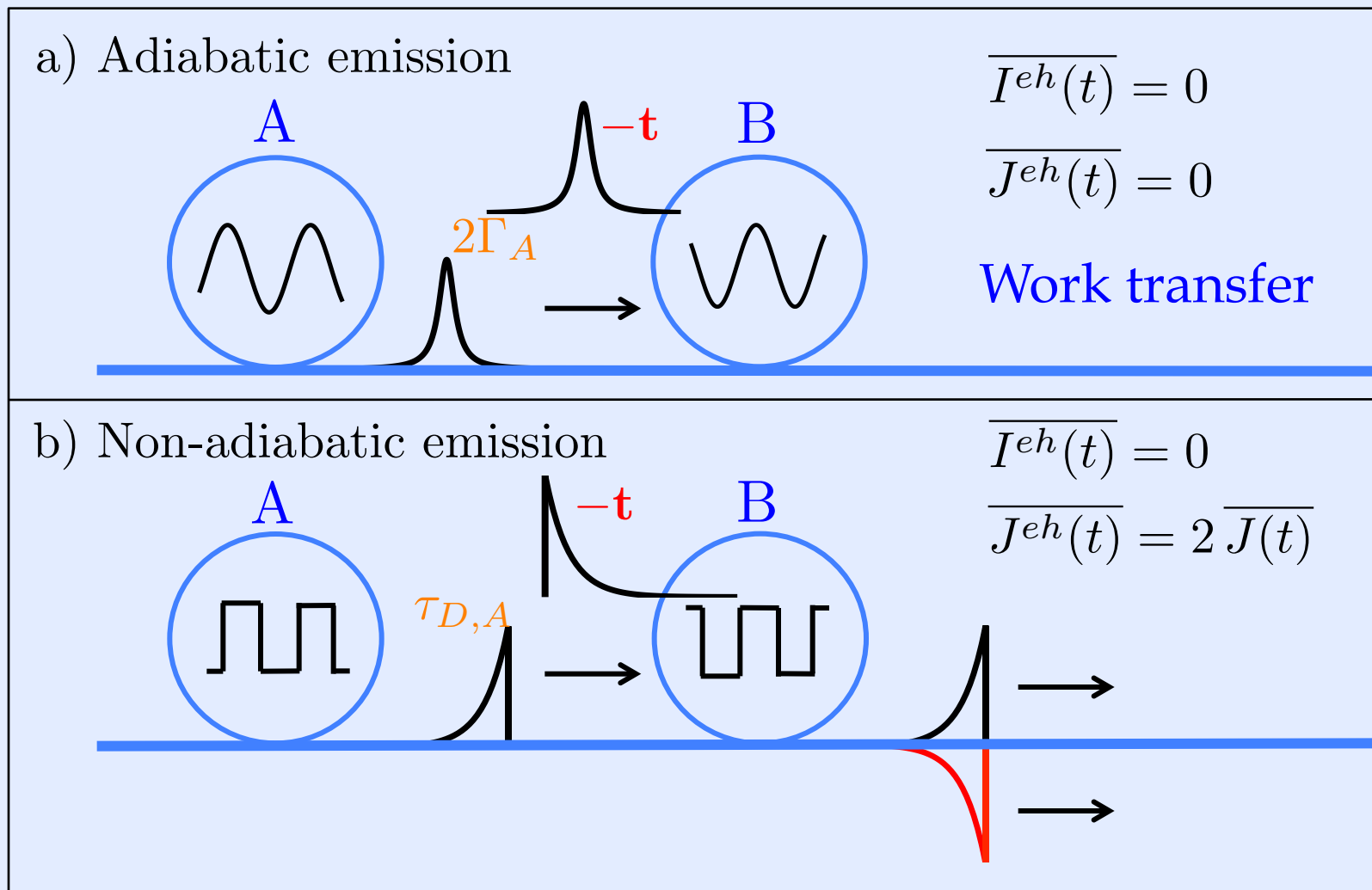
b) Non-adiabatic emission



Factor 2 due to the Pauli principle

# The reabsorption effect

## Electron-hole pair emission

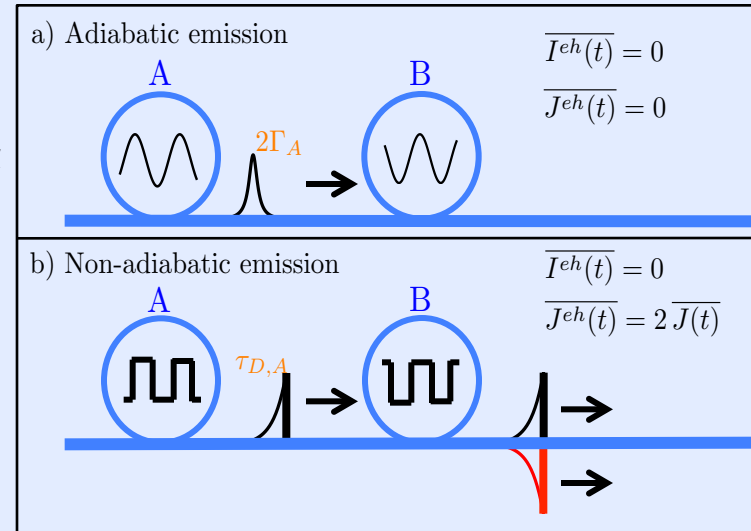


Reabsorption in the adiabatic regime

No-charge but energy mode in the non-adiabatic regime

# Main results

- Time-dependent heat current and charge current
- Reabsorption effect, work transfer
- Joule-Lenz law



M. Moskalets, G. Haack, and M. Büttiker, Phys. Rev. B **87**, 125429 (2013)

## Outlook:

- Adiabatic vs non-adiabatic: linear vs non-linear response ?
- Validity of the Fluctuation-dissipation theorem ?
- Generation of energy modes