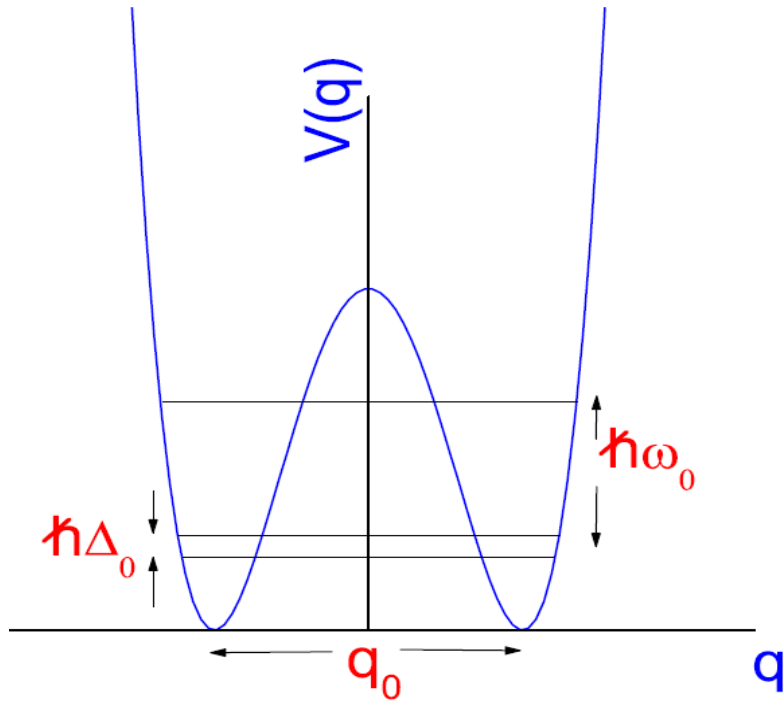


Dissipative quantum coherence



$$V(q) = \frac{M\omega_0^2 q_0^2}{32} \left[\left(\frac{q}{q_0/2} \right)^2 - 1 \right]^2$$

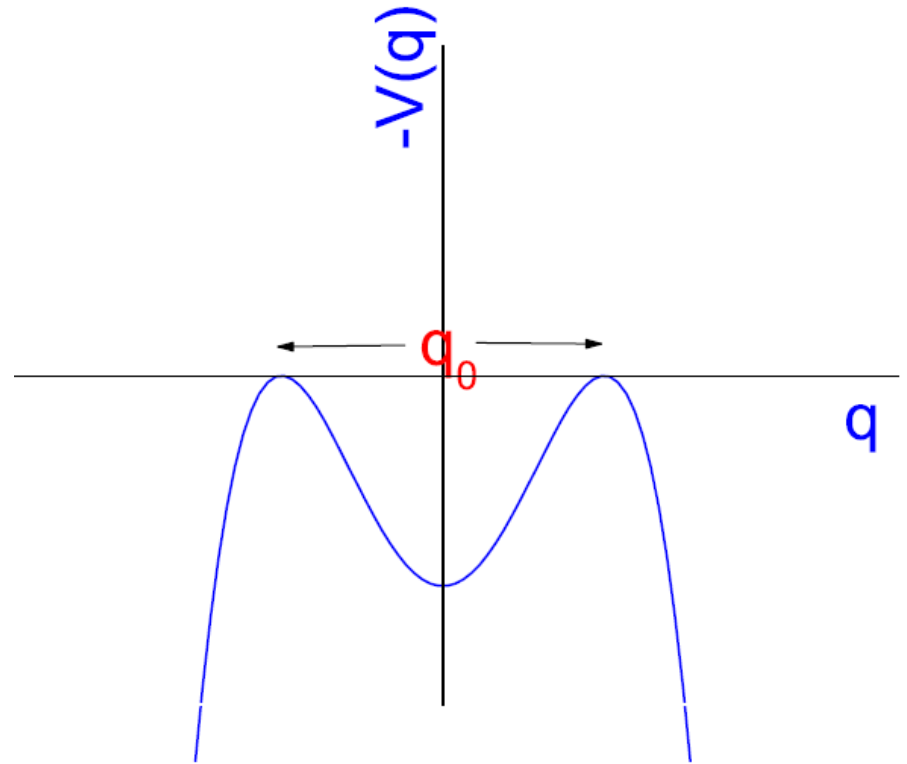
$$\psi_E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_R + \psi_L) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_O = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_R - \psi_L)$$

$$\hbar\Delta_0 = E_O - E_E \propto \langle \psi_R | \mathcal{H} | \psi_L \rangle = \langle \psi_L | \mathcal{H} | \psi_R \rangle$$

Undamped case

$$\Delta_0 = A_0 \exp -\frac{B_0}{\hbar}$$

$$q_c^{(0)}(\tau) = \frac{q_0}{2} \tanh \frac{\omega_0 \tau}{2}$$

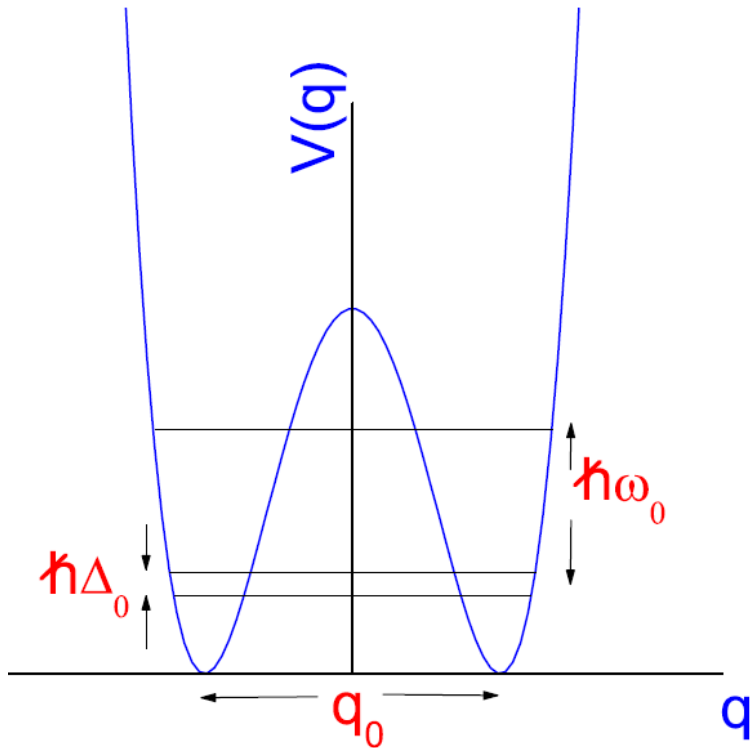


$$B_0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2} M \dot{q}_c^2 + V(q_c) \right] d\tau = \frac{4V_0}{\omega_0} \quad V_0 = \frac{M\omega_0^2 q_0^2}{32}$$

$$A_0 = 2 \left(\frac{B_0}{2\pi\hbar} \right)^{1/2} \left| \frac{\det(-M\partial_t^2 + M\omega_0^2)}{\det'(-M\partial_t^2 + V''(q_c^{(0)}))} \right|^{1/2}$$

Undamped case

$$Z(\beta) = \text{const.} \int dq \int_{q(0)=q}^{q(\hbar\beta)=q} \mathcal{D}q(\tau) \exp -\frac{S_{eff}[q(\tau)]}{\hbar}$$



$$Z_0(\beta) = \cosh(\beta\hbar\Delta_0/2)$$

$$\hbar\Delta_0 = E_O - E_E$$

$$\propto \langle \psi_R | \mathcal{H} | \psi_L \rangle = \langle \psi_L | \mathcal{H} | \psi_R \rangle$$

$$H = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar\Delta\sigma_x + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon\sigma_z$$

$$\Delta, k_B T/\hbar, \epsilon/\hbar \ll \omega_0$$

Dissipative (ohmic) case

$$Z(\beta) = \text{const.} \int dq \int_{q(0)=q}^{q(\hbar\beta)=q} \mathcal{D}q(\tau) \exp - \frac{S_{eff}[q(\tau)]}{\hbar}$$

Slow oscillators $\omega \leq \Delta$

$$\omega_0 \rightarrow \omega_b$$

Fast oscillators $\omega \geq \omega_0$

$$\Delta, k_B T / \hbar, \epsilon / \hbar \ll \omega_c \ll \omega_b$$

$$J_0(\omega) = J(\omega) + J'(\omega) \begin{cases} J(\omega) \equiv J_0(\omega) e^{-\omega/\omega_c} \\ J'(\omega) \equiv J_0(\omega)(1 - e^{-\omega/\omega_c}) \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha'(\tau - \tau') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} d\omega J'(\omega) e^{-\omega|\tau - \tau'|}$$

Spin-Boson Hamiltonian

$$Z(\beta) = \cosh(\beta\hbar\Delta/2)$$

$$\Delta \equiv 2A \exp -S'_{eff}[q_c(\tau)]/\hbar$$

$$\Delta \sim \Delta_0 \exp \left[-\frac{q_0^2}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{\omega_c}^{\omega_b} d\omega \frac{J_0(\omega)}{\omega^2} \right] \sim \Delta_0 \left(\frac{\omega_c}{\omega_b} \right)^\alpha$$

$$\alpha \equiv \eta q_0^2 / 2\pi\hbar$$

Hilbert space $\Psi_\pm(q, \{x_j\}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\Psi_R(q, \{x_j\}) \pm \Psi_L(q, \{x_j\})]$

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar\Delta\sigma_x + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon\sigma_z + \frac{1}{2}q_0\sigma_z \sum_k C_k q_k + \sum_k \frac{p_k^2}{2m_k} + \sum_k \frac{1}{2}m_k\omega_k^2 q_k^2$$

Spin-Boson dynamics: weak coupling

$$\frac{dS_x}{dt} = -\frac{S_x - S_x^{(eq)}}{T_1} \quad S_i = \hbar \langle \sigma_i \rangle / 2$$

$$\frac{dS_y}{dt} = \Delta S_z - \frac{S_y}{T_2} \quad S_x^{(eq)} = \hbar \tanh(\hbar\beta\Delta) / 2$$

$$\frac{dS_z}{dt} = -\Delta S_y$$

$$P(t) \equiv S_z(t) \quad \frac{d^2 P}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{T_2} \frac{dP}{dt} + \Delta^2 P = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{T_1} = \frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{q_0^2}{2\hbar} J(\Delta) \coth \frac{\beta\hbar\Delta}{2}$$

Bloch equations in a field $\mathbf{B} = -\Delta\sigma_x \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \epsilon\sigma_z \hat{\mathbf{z}}$

Adiabatic renormalization

$$|\Psi_+^{(0)}\rangle = |+\rangle \prod_k |g_{k+}\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad |\Psi_-^{(0)}\rangle = |-\rangle \prod_k |g_{k-}\rangle$$

$$|g_{k\pm}\rangle = \exp\left(\pm \frac{1}{2} i \hat{\Omega}_k\right) |0\rangle_k \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{\Omega}_k \equiv \frac{q_0 C_k}{\hbar m_k \omega_k^2} \hat{p}_k$$

$$\Delta'(\omega_l) = \Delta \prod_k \langle g_{k+} | g_{k-} \rangle \quad \Delta'(\omega_l) = \Delta \exp - \int_{\omega_l}^{\infty} \frac{q_0^2}{2\pi\hbar} \frac{J(\omega)}{\omega^2} d\omega$$

Renormalized “splitting”

$$\Delta_r = \begin{cases} \Delta (\Delta/\omega_c)^{\frac{\alpha}{(1-\alpha)}} & \text{if } \alpha < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Feynman-Vernon approach

$$\rho(x_f, x_f, t) = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} \mathcal{D}x(\tau) \int_{x_i}^{x_f} \mathcal{D}y(\tau) \mathcal{A}[x(\tau)] \mathcal{A}^*[y(\tau)] \mathcal{F}[x(\tau), y(\tau)]$$

$$\mathcal{F}[x(\tau), y(\tau)] = \exp \frac{i}{\pi \hbar} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] L_1(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) + y(\sigma)]$$

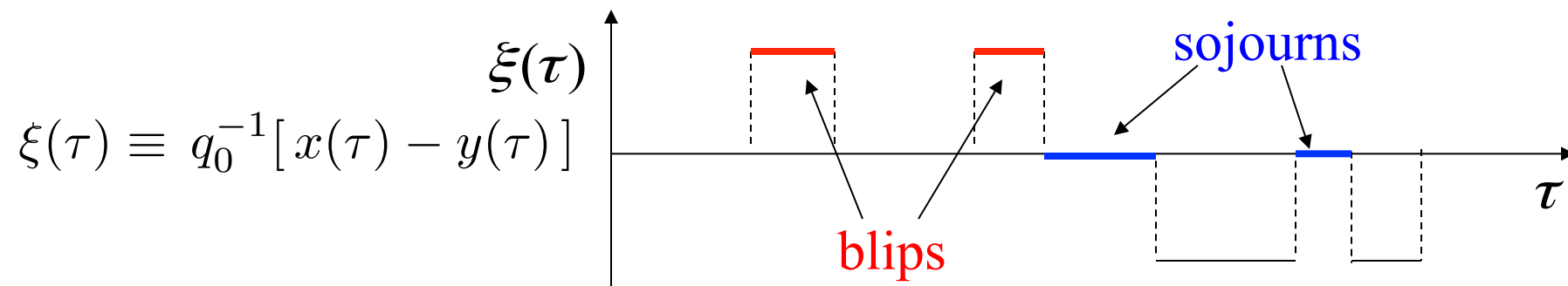
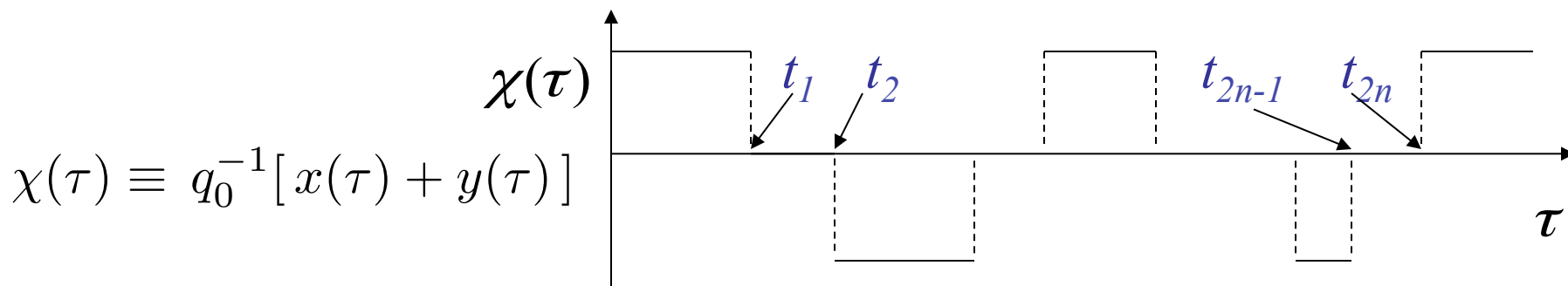
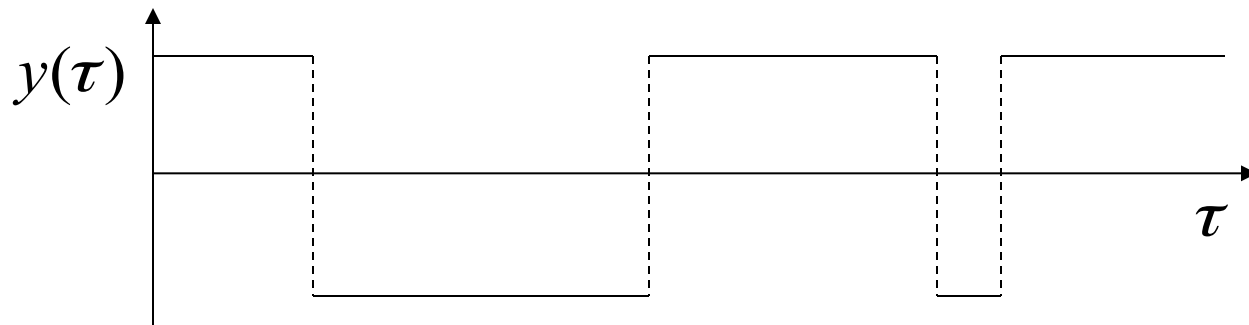
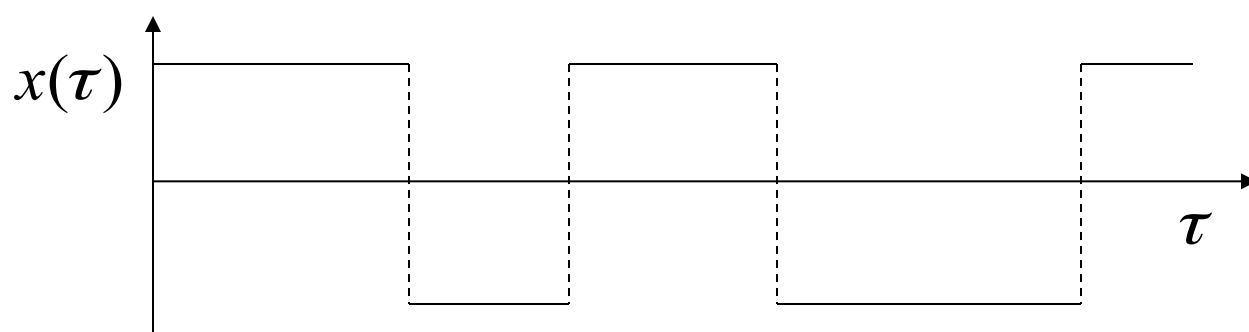
$$\times \exp - \frac{1}{\pi \hbar} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma [x(\tau) - y(\tau)] L_2(\tau - \sigma) [x(\sigma) - y(\sigma)]$$

$$L_2(\tau - \sigma) \equiv \pi \alpha_R(\tau - \sigma) = \int_0^\infty d\omega J(\omega) \coth \frac{\hbar \omega}{2k_B T} \cos \omega(\tau - \sigma),$$

$$L_1(\tau - \sigma) \equiv -\pi \alpha_I(\tau - \sigma) = \int_0^\infty d\omega J(\omega) \sin \omega(\tau - \sigma)$$

$\{+, +\}$, $\{+, -\}$, $\{-, +\}$ and $\{-, -\}$ $(+) = q_0/2$ and $(-) = -q_0/2$

Paths of integration



Feynman-Vernon approach

$$\chi(\tau) \equiv q_0^{-1}[x(\tau) + y(\tau)] \quad \xi(\tau) \equiv q_0^{-1}[x(\tau) - y(\tau)]$$

$$\mathcal{F}[x(\tau), y(\tau)] = \exp \frac{iq_0^2}{\pi\hbar} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma \xi(\tau) L_1(\tau - \sigma) \chi(\sigma)$$

$$\times \exp - \frac{q_0^2}{\pi\hbar} \int_0^t \int_0^\tau d\tau d\sigma \xi(\tau) L_2(\tau - \sigma) \xi(\sigma)$$

$$A \equiv \{+, +\}, B \equiv \{+, -\}, C \equiv \{-, +\} \text{ and } D \equiv \{-, -\}$$

Amplitude to stay in the same state in dt is $\exp -i\epsilon\xi(t)dt$

$$\text{Amplitude to flip in } dt \text{ is } i\lambda \frac{\Delta}{2} dt \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda = 0 \text{ for } A \rightleftharpoons D \text{ and } B \rightleftharpoons C \\ \lambda = -1 \text{ for } A \rightleftharpoons B \text{ and } D \rightleftharpoons C \\ \lambda = 1 \text{ for } A \rightleftharpoons C \text{ and } B \rightleftharpoons D \end{array} \right.$$

NIBA- Non-Interacting Blip Approximation

$$P(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \underbrace{\Delta^{2n}}_{\text{from the hops}} \underbrace{K_n(t)}_{\text{from the influence functional}}$$

from the hops

from the influence functional

$$K_n(t) \equiv 2^{-n} \sum_{\{\zeta_j\}} \int_0^t dt_{2n} \int_0^{t_{2n}} dt_{2n-1} \dots \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 F_n(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{2n}; \zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots, \zeta_n; \epsilon).$$

$$F_n(t_1 \dots t_{2n}) = \prod_{j=1}^n \cos \left(\frac{q_0^2}{\pi \hbar} Q_1(t_{2j} - t_{2j-1}) \right) \exp - \frac{q_0^2}{\pi \hbar} Q_2(t_{2j} - t_{2j-1})$$

$$Q_1(t) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{J(\omega)}{\omega^2} \sin \omega t \, d\omega$$

$$Q_2(t) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{J(\omega)}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) \coth \left(\frac{\beta \hbar \omega}{2} \right) \, d\omega$$

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$$f(t) = \Delta^2 \cos\left(\frac{q_0^2}{\pi\hbar} Q_1(t)\right) \exp\left[-\frac{q_0^2}{\pi\hbar} Q_2(t)\right]$$

$$P(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C d\lambda e^{\lambda t} \tilde{P}(\lambda)$$

$$\tilde{P}(\lambda) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int_0^{\infty} dt \int_0^{\infty} dt_1 \dots \int_0^{\infty} dt_{2n} e^{-\lambda(t_1+t_2+\dots+t_{2n})} \prod_{j=1}^n f(t_{2j})$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{[f(\lambda)]^n}{\lambda^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{\lambda + f(\lambda)}$$

NIBA- Non-Interacting Blip Approximation

$$P(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C d\lambda e^{\lambda t} \tilde{P}(\lambda) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C d\lambda e^{\lambda t} [\lambda + f(\lambda)]^{-1}$$

$$f(\lambda) \equiv \Delta^2 \int_0^\infty dt \cos\left[\frac{q_0^2}{\pi\hbar} Q_1(t)\right] \exp - \left[\lambda t + \frac{q_0^2}{\pi\hbar} Q_2(t)\right]$$

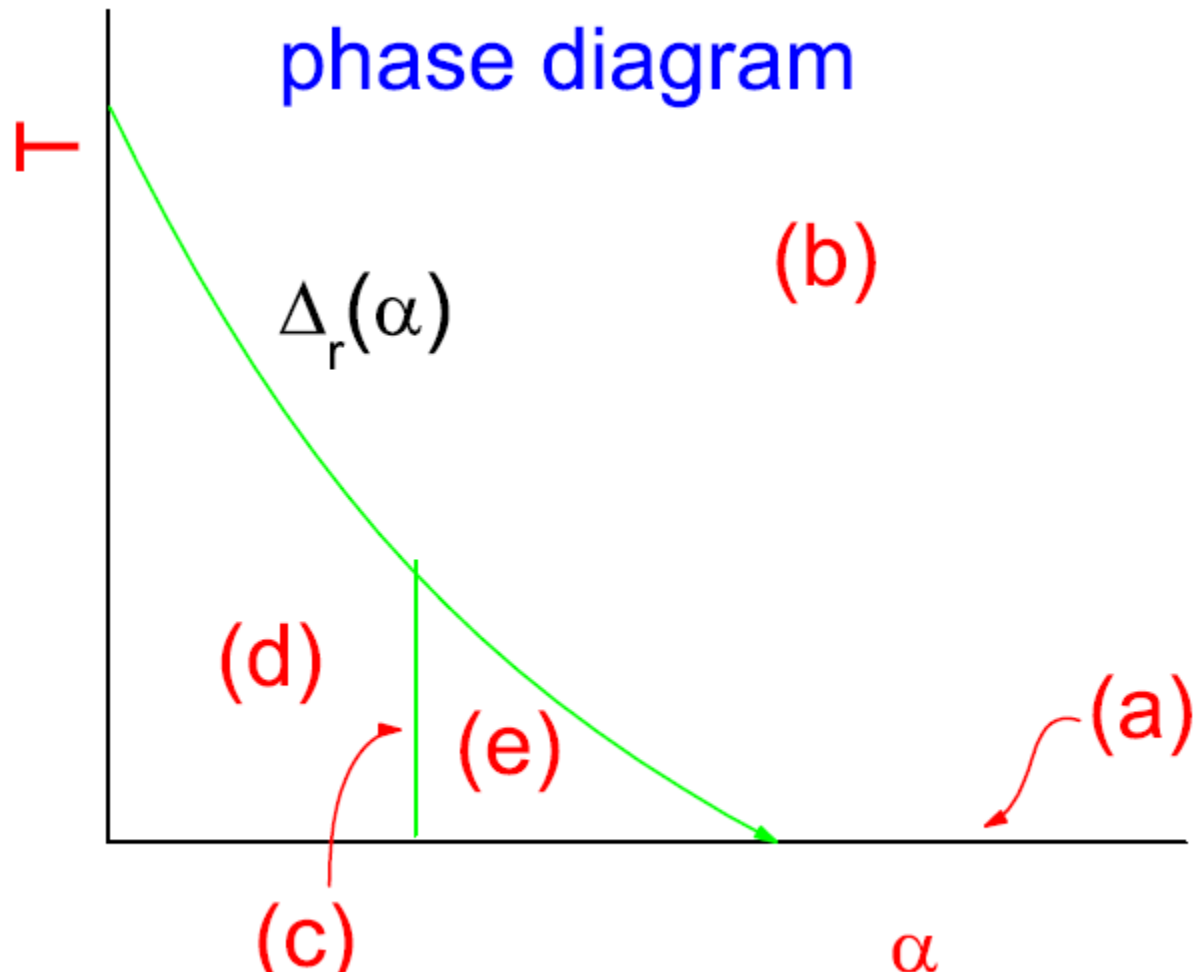
$$Q_1(t) = \int_0^\infty \frac{J(\omega)}{\omega^2} \sin \omega t d\omega$$

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For Ohmic dissipation

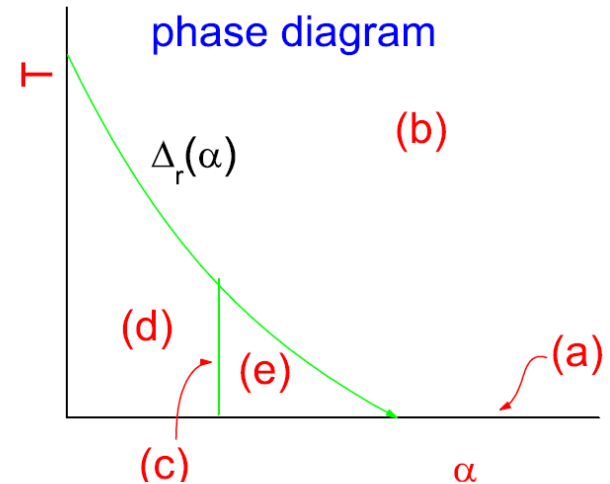
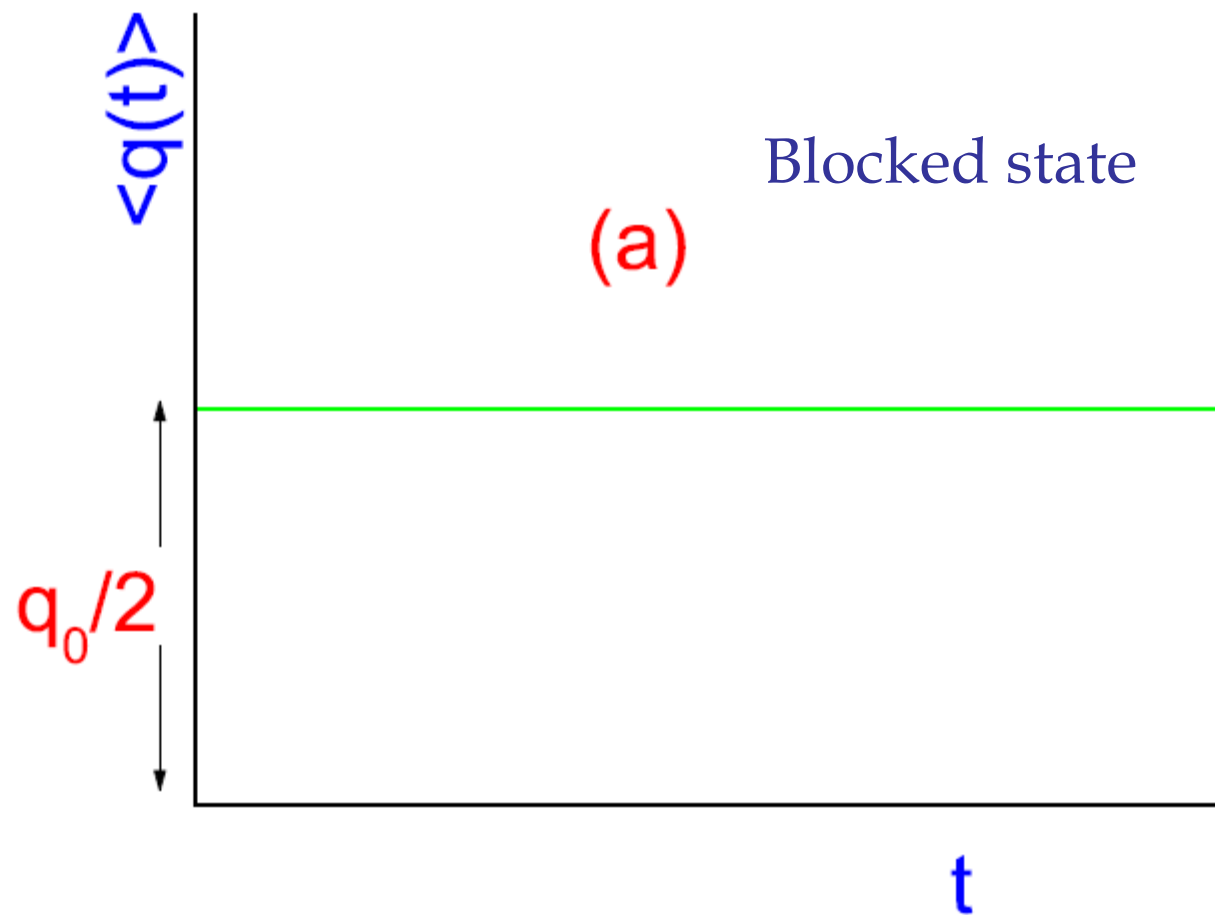
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q_1(t) = \eta \tan^{-1} \omega_c t \\ Q_2(t) = \eta \ln(1 + \omega_c^2 t^2) + \eta \ln \left[\frac{\beta\hbar}{\pi t} \sinh \frac{\pi t}{\beta\hbar} \right] \end{array} \right.$$

Solutions



Solutions

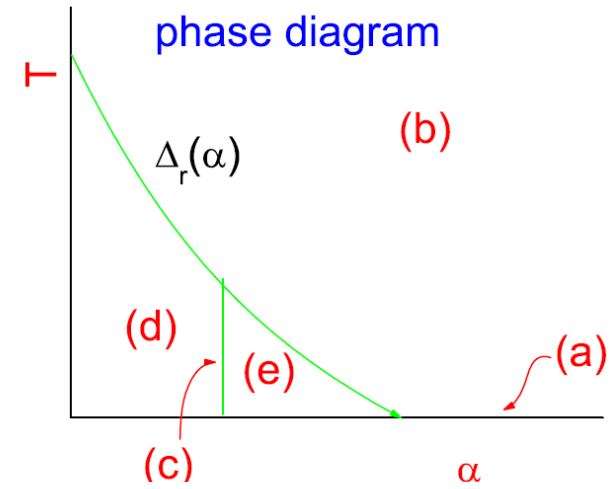
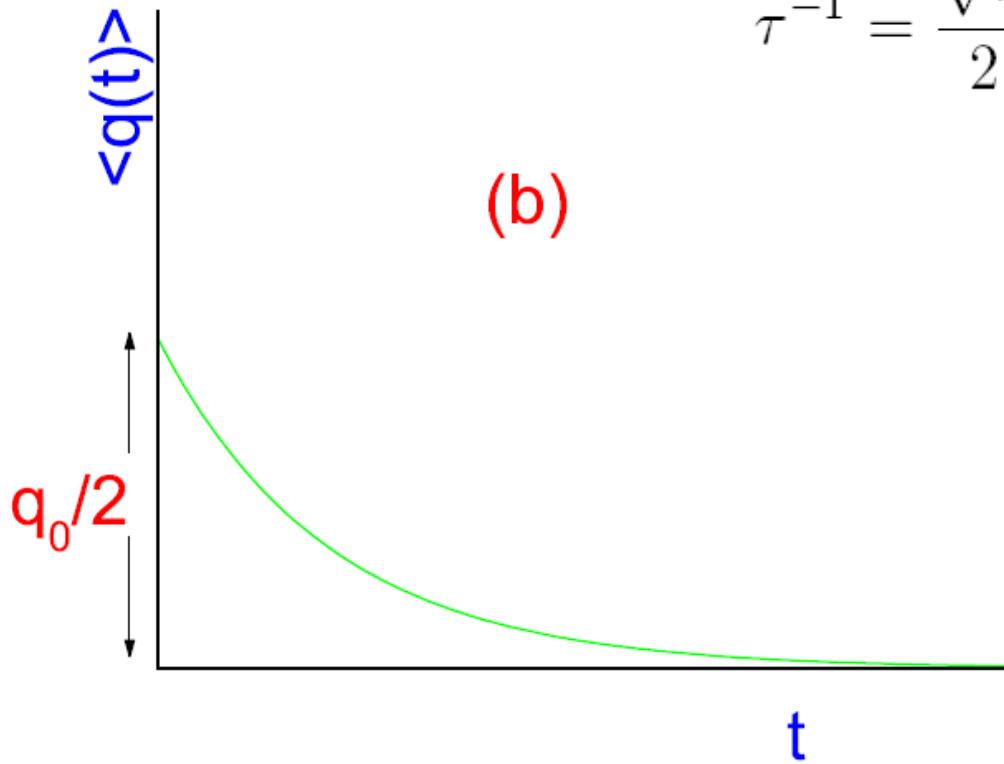
$$\Delta_r = \begin{cases} \Delta (\Delta/\omega_c)^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} & \text{if } \alpha < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



Solutions

Exponential relaxation

$$P(t) = \exp - \frac{t}{\tau}$$



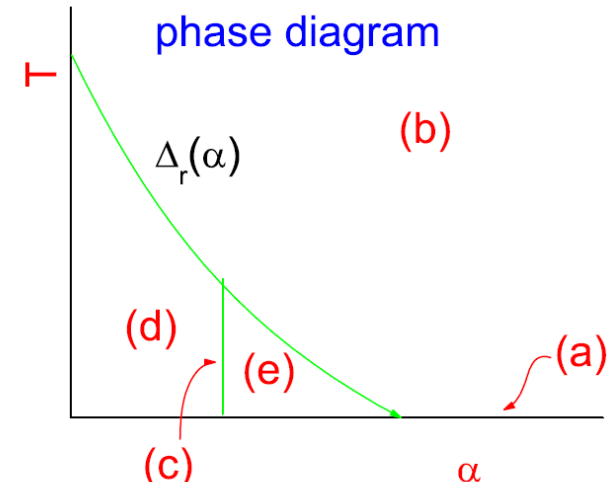
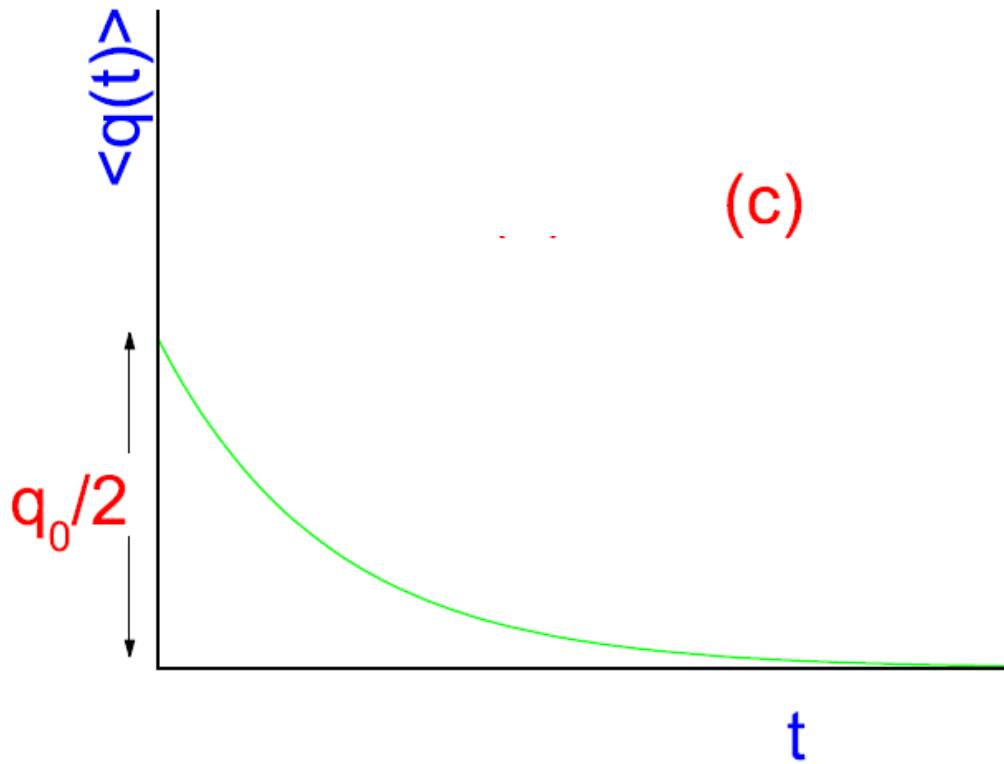
$$\tau^{-1} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \frac{1}{2})} \frac{\Delta_r^2}{k_B T / \hbar} \left[\frac{\pi k_B T}{\hbar \Delta_r} \right]^{2\alpha}$$

$$\alpha k_B T / \hbar \gg \Delta_r$$

Solutions

Exponential relaxation:
exact solution

$$P(t) = \exp\left[-\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\Delta^2}{\omega_c} t\right]$$



$$\Delta \sim (\omega_c/\omega_b)^\alpha$$

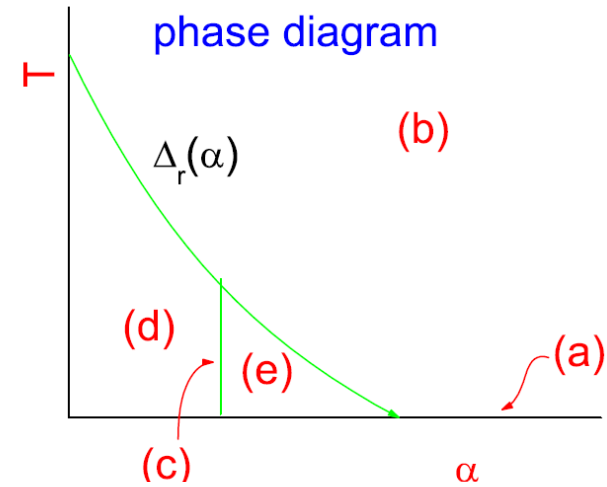
$$\alpha = 1/2$$

Solutions

$$y \equiv \Delta_{eff} t$$

$$\Delta_{eff} \equiv [\Gamma(1 - 2\alpha)\cos\pi\alpha]^{1/2(1-\alpha)} \Delta_r$$

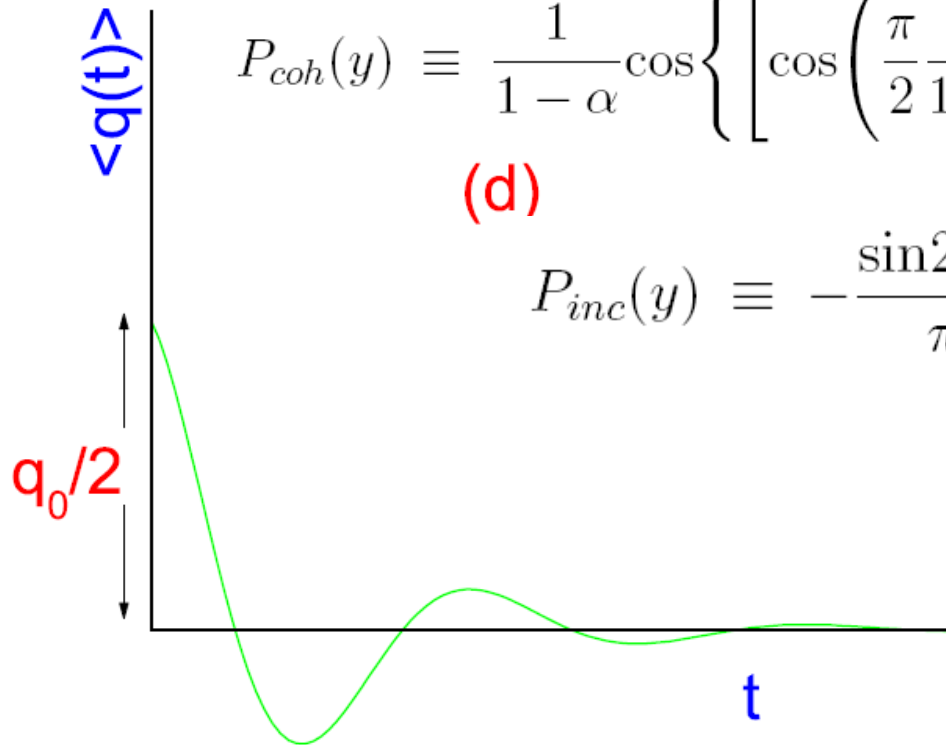
$$P(y) = P_{coh}(y) + P_{inc}(y)$$



$$P_{coh}(y) \equiv \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \cos \left\{ \left[\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \right) \right] y \right\} \exp - \left\{ \left[\sin \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \right) \right] y \right\}$$

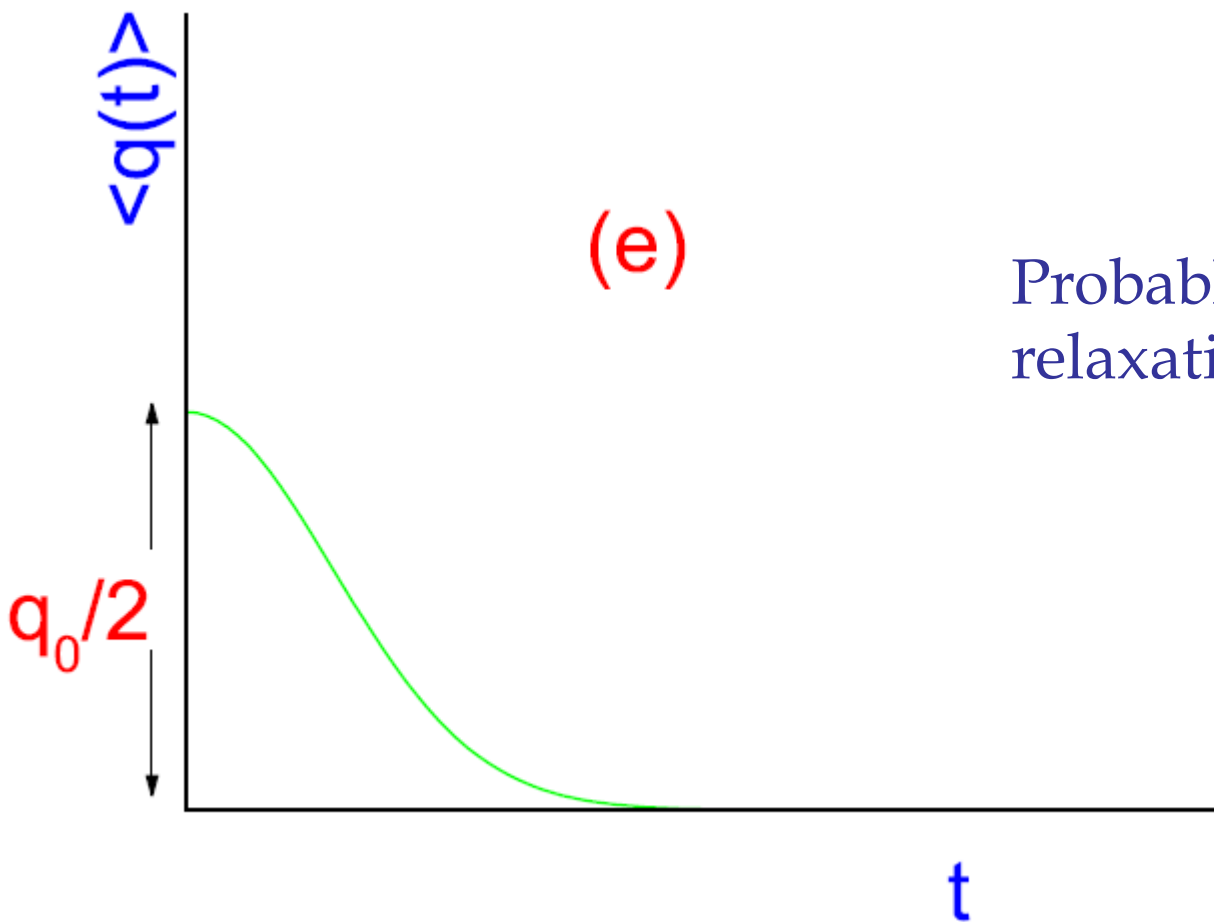
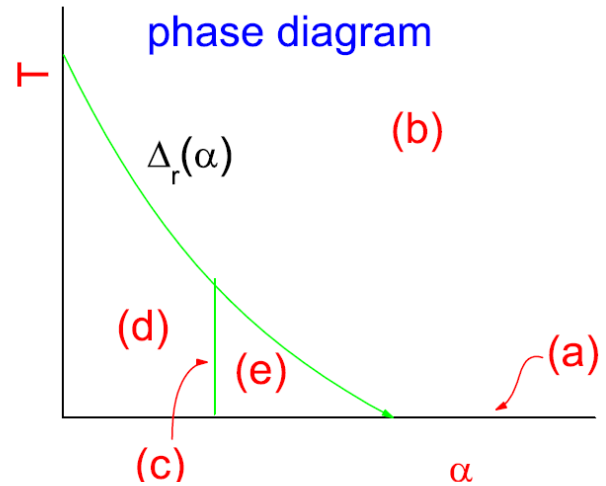
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$$P_{inc}(y) \equiv -\frac{\sin 2\pi\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^\infty dz \frac{z^{2\alpha-1} e^{-zy}}{z^2 + 2z^{2\alpha} \cos 2\pi\alpha + z^{4\alpha-2}}$$



Oscillatory decay

Solutions



Probably incoherent
relaxation