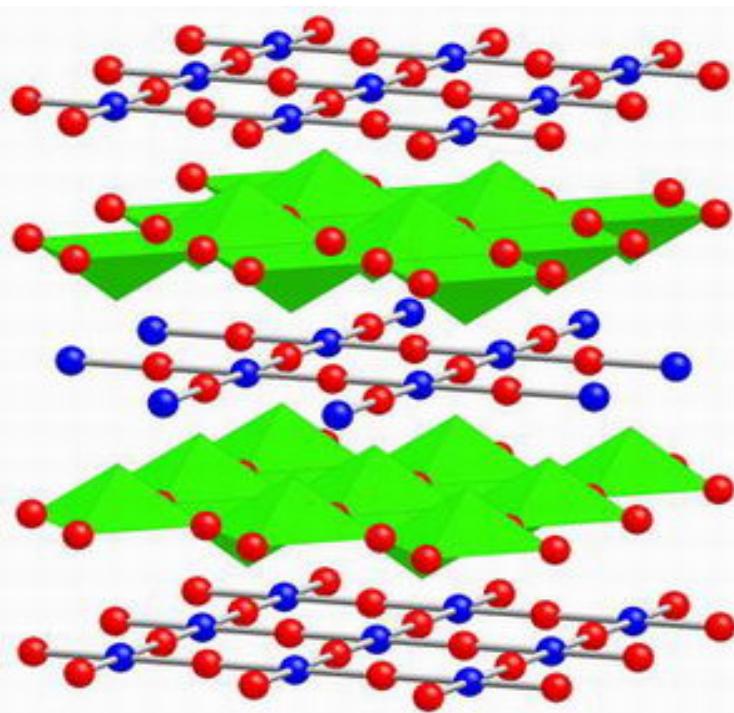


# Entanglement at quantum criticality in an Anderson model with a pseudogap

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# Strongly-Correlated Electron Systems

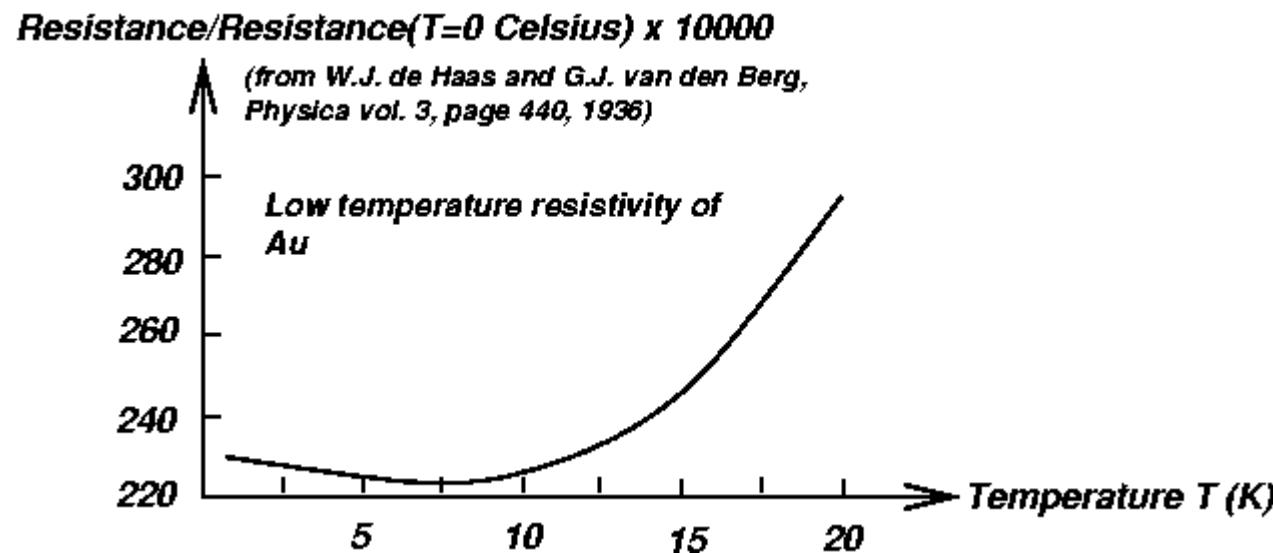
- ▶ Negligible electron interaction → Fermi-liquid
- ▶ Strong electron interaction → Strongly-correlated
  - ▶ High- $T_c$  superconductivity
  - ▶ Colossal magnetoresistance
  - ▶ Kondo effect



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# Quantum-Impurity Systems

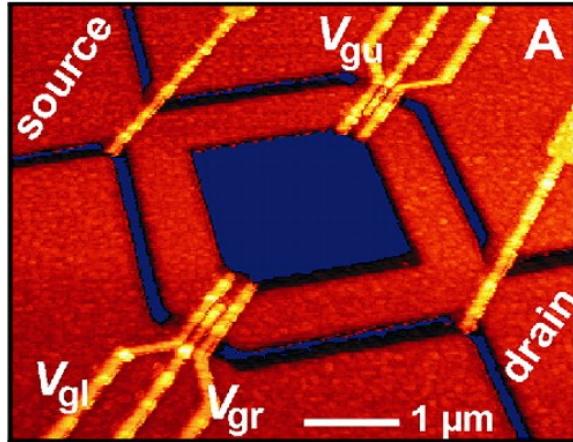
- ▶ Pioneered to study the Kondo effect – anomalous increase in resistance at low-temperatures in metals



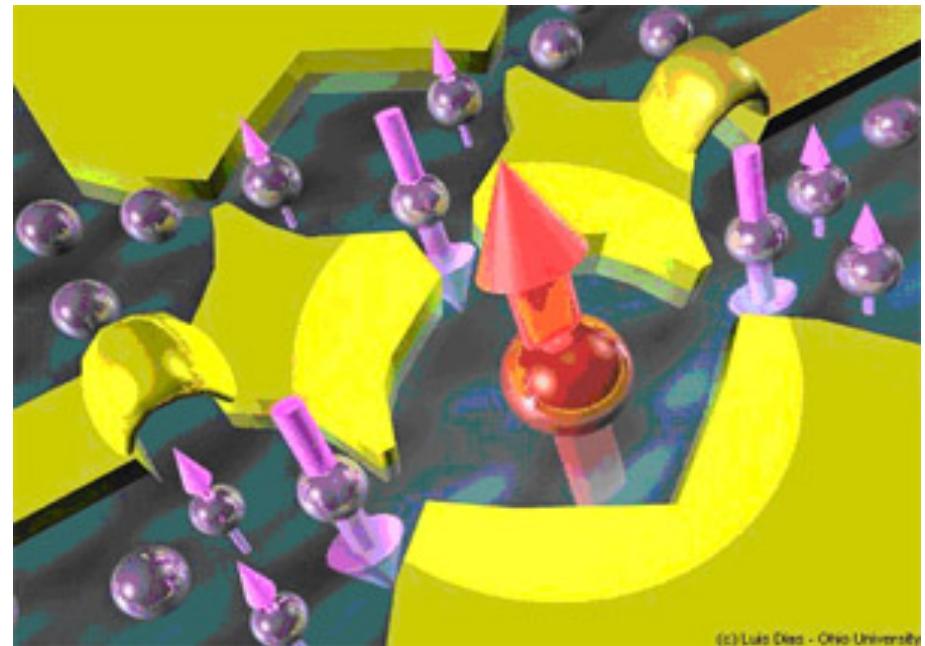
- ▶ Local degree of freedom - a magnetic impurity
- ▶ Bulk degrees of freedom (macroscopic host) – conduction band in a metal

# Quantum Dots

- ▶ Engineered semiconductor nanostructures
- ▶ “Artificial atoms”



Van der Wiel et al., Science (2000)



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- ▶ Magnetic impurity → Quantum dot
- ▶ Bulk metal → Semiconductor 2DEG

# Entanglement and Quantum Information

- ▶ Entanglement

$$|\Psi\rangle \neq |\psi_1\rangle_1 \, |\psi_2\rangle_2$$

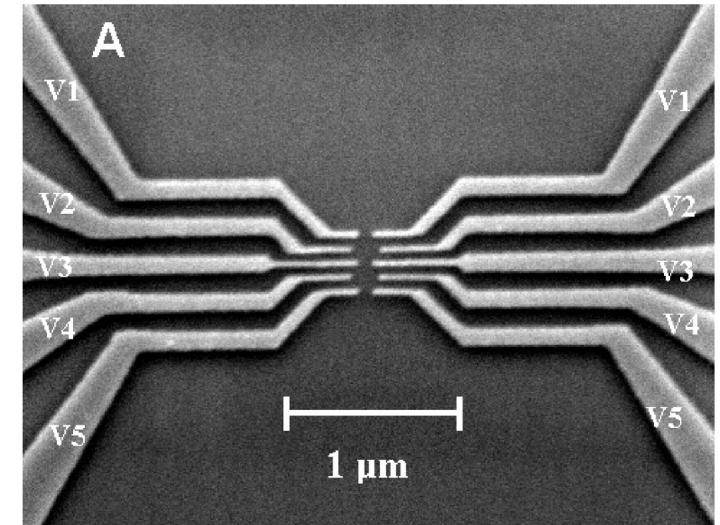
- ▶ Example:

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\uparrow\rangle_1 |\downarrow\rangle_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\downarrow\rangle_1 |\uparrow\rangle_2$$

- ▶ Entangled qubits

→ Quantum computer

- ▶ Quantum dots?



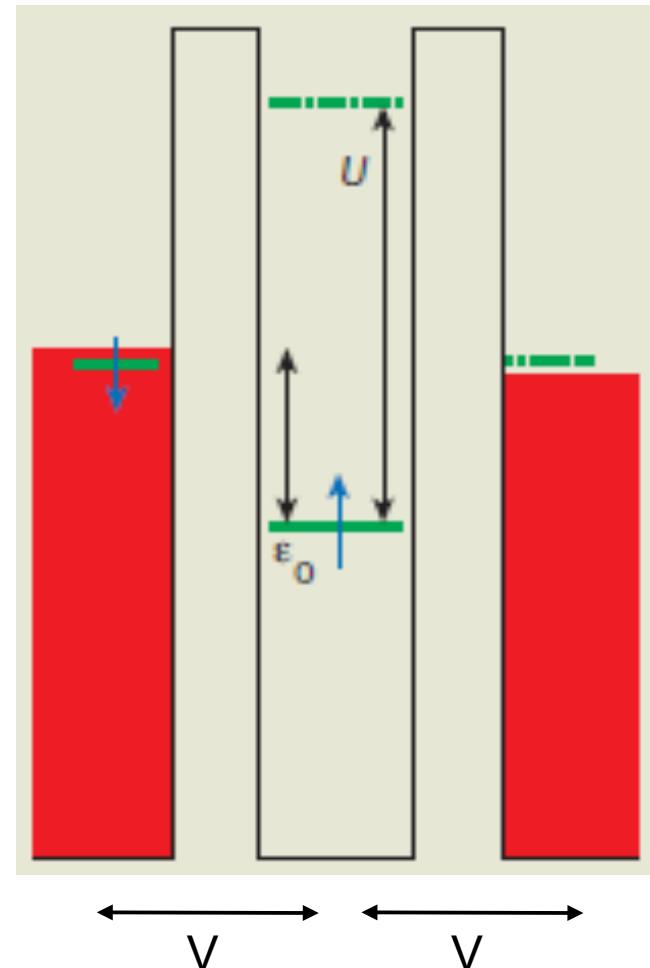
Jeong et al., Science (2001)

# The Pseudogap Anderson Model

- ▶ Impurity level
  - ▶ Singly occupied – energy  $\epsilon_d < 0$
  - ▶ Doubly occupied – energy  $2\epsilon_d + U$
- ▶ Pseudogap Density of States

$$\rho(\epsilon) = \begin{cases} \rho_0 |\frac{\epsilon}{D}|^r, & |\epsilon| \leq D \\ 0, & |\epsilon| > D \end{cases}$$

Kouwenhoven et al.,  
Physics World (2001)

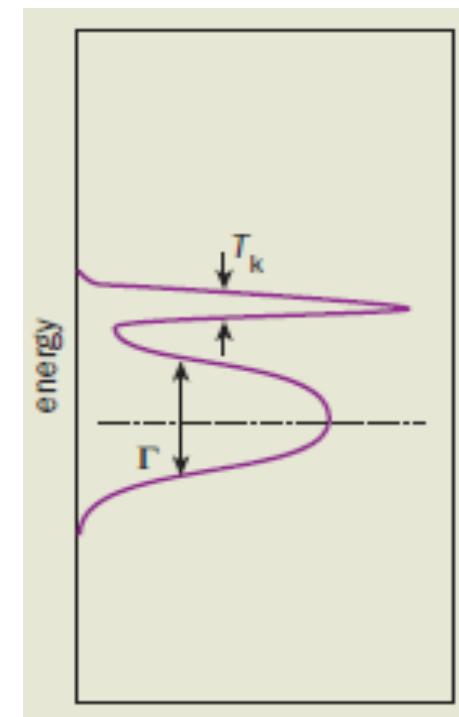


- ▶ Tunneling Coefficient V

# Quantum Phase Transitions

- ▶ Thermal fluctuations → classical phase transition
- ▶ Quantum mechanical fluctuations (from the uncertainty principle) → quantum phase transition (QPT)
- ▶ QCP – local-moment phase vs strong-coupling phase (Kondo effect)
- ▶ We vary the hybridization width:

$$\Gamma = \pi \rho_0 V^2$$



Kouwenhoven et al., Physics World (2001)

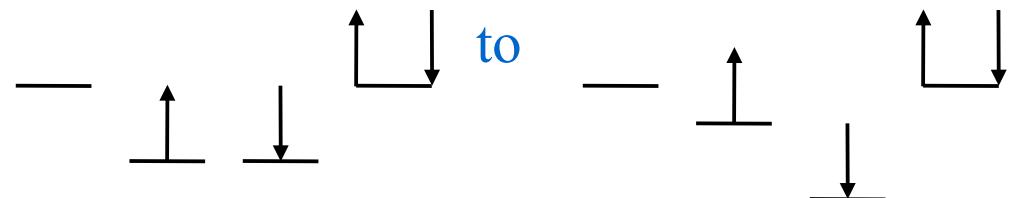
# Entanglement Entropy at QCP

- ▶ Definition:

$$S_e = - \sum_i p_i \ln p_i$$

- ▶ Measure of information and entanglement
- ▶ Degeneracies  $\rightarrow S_e$  artificially large

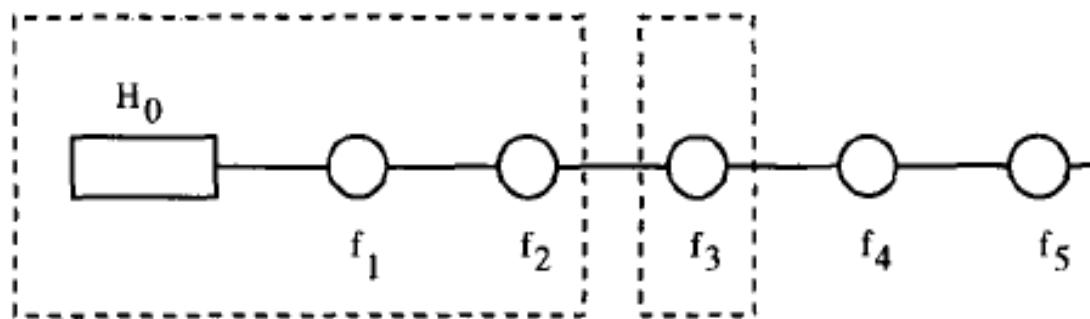
Small perturbation takes



- ▶ Study entanglement entropy at QCP
- ▶ Computational Method: Numerical Renormalization Group

# NRG Method

- ▶ Main idea: transform the Hamiltonian into a “chain”

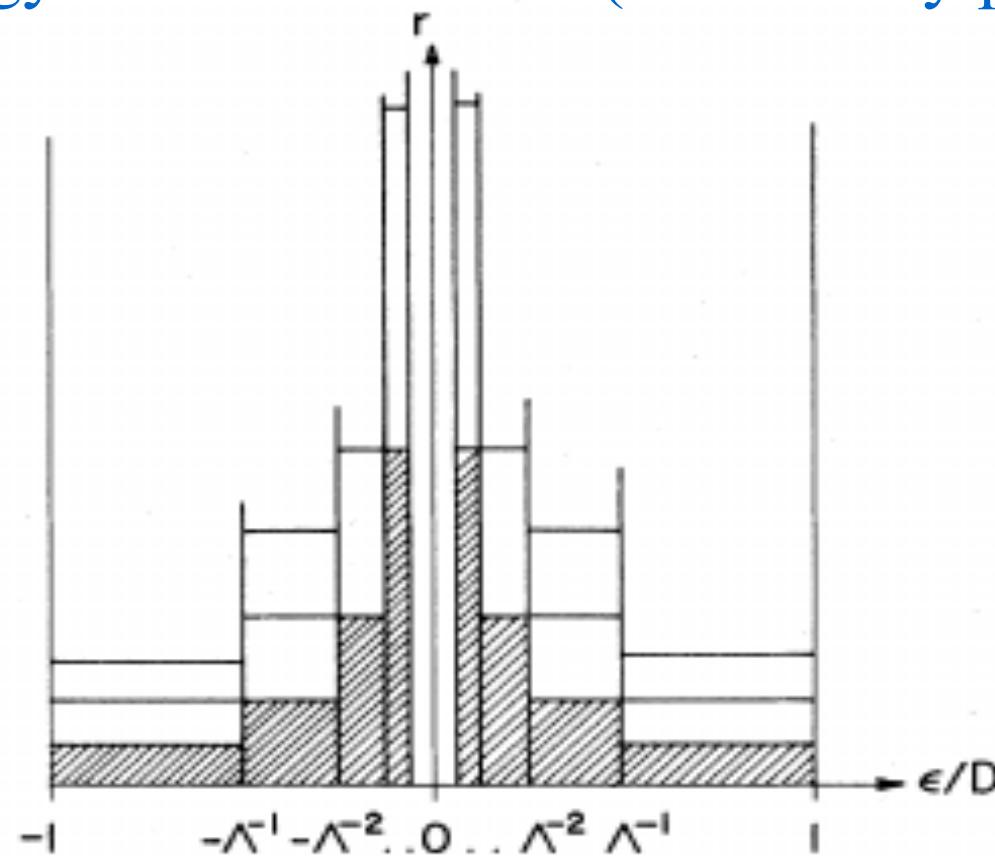


Costi, Wilson's  
NRG (1999)

- ▶ Each element of the chain couples only to its nearest neighbors
- ▶ As Hamiltonian gets too large, begin discarding high energy terms

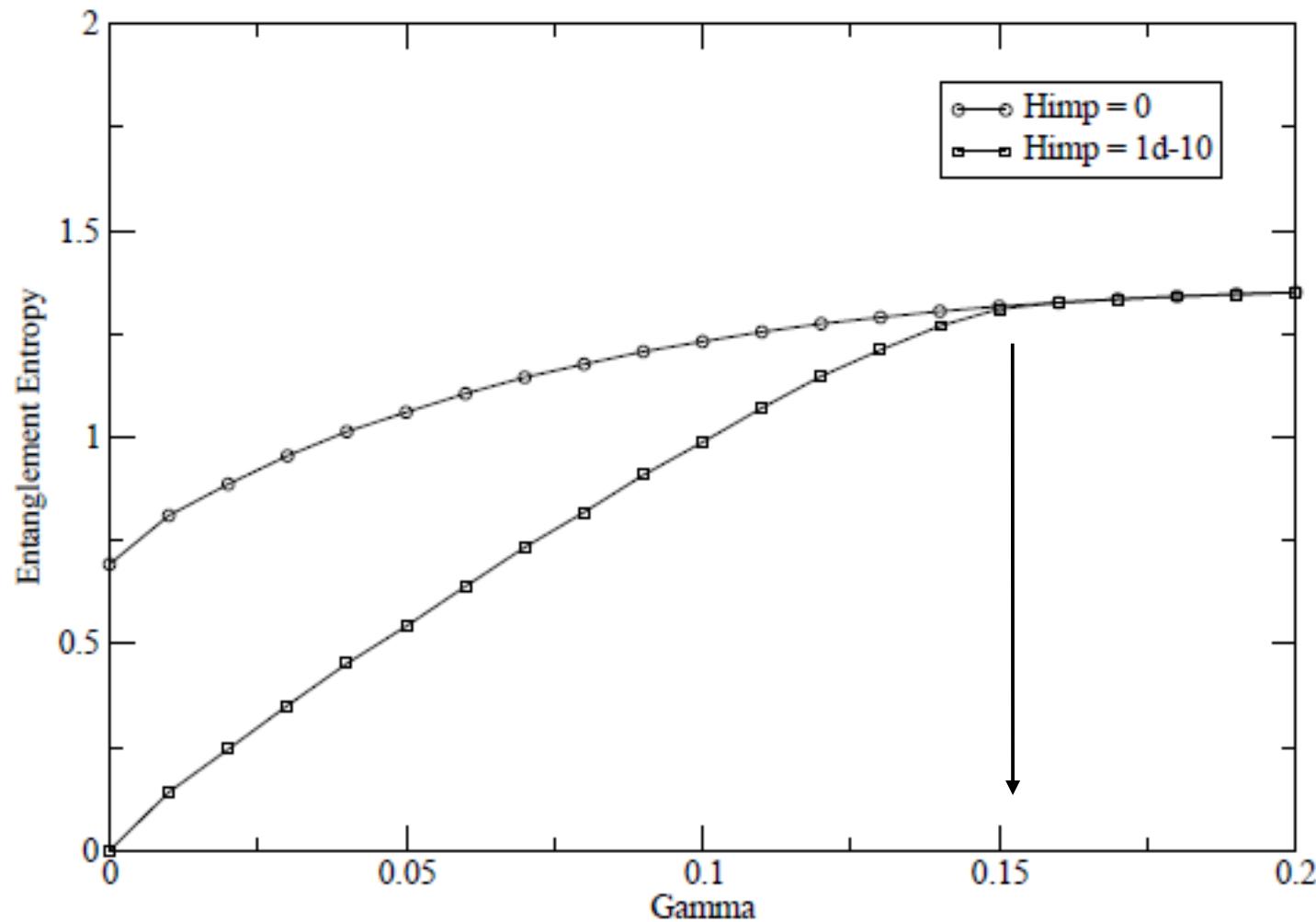
# NRG Method (Cont.)

- ▶ Discretize k-space using Wannier states
- ▶ Higher energy = more localized (uncertainty principle)

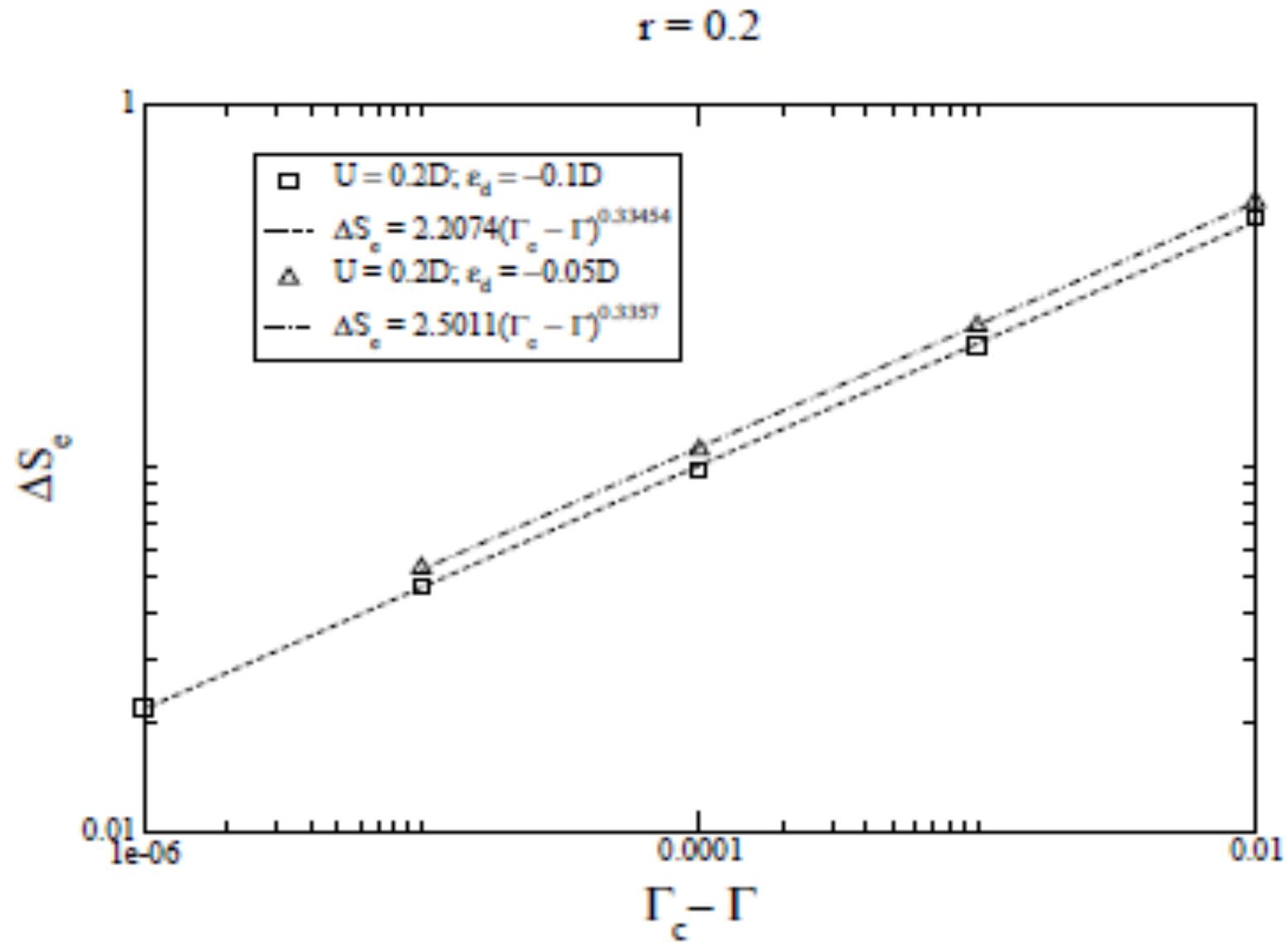


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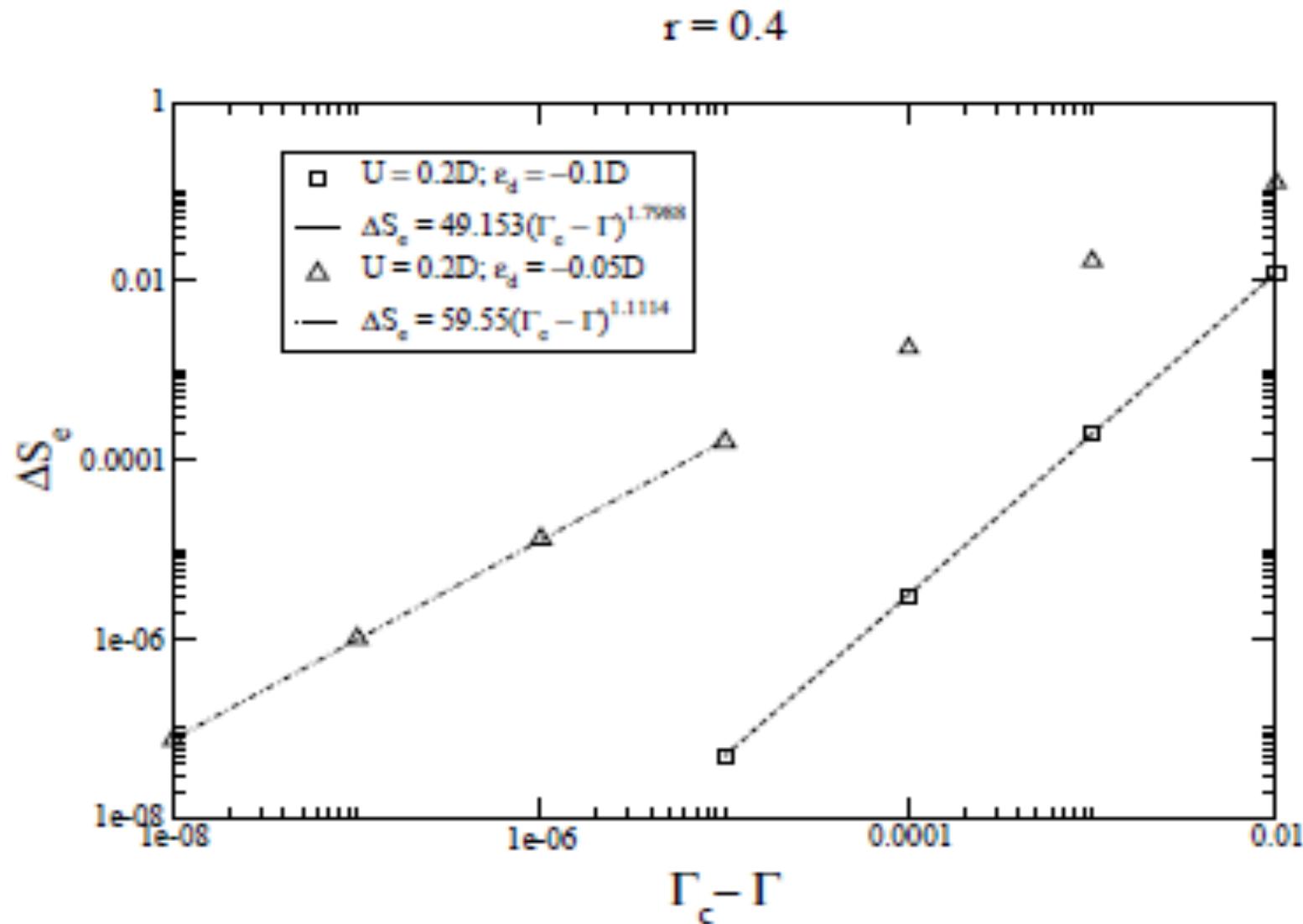
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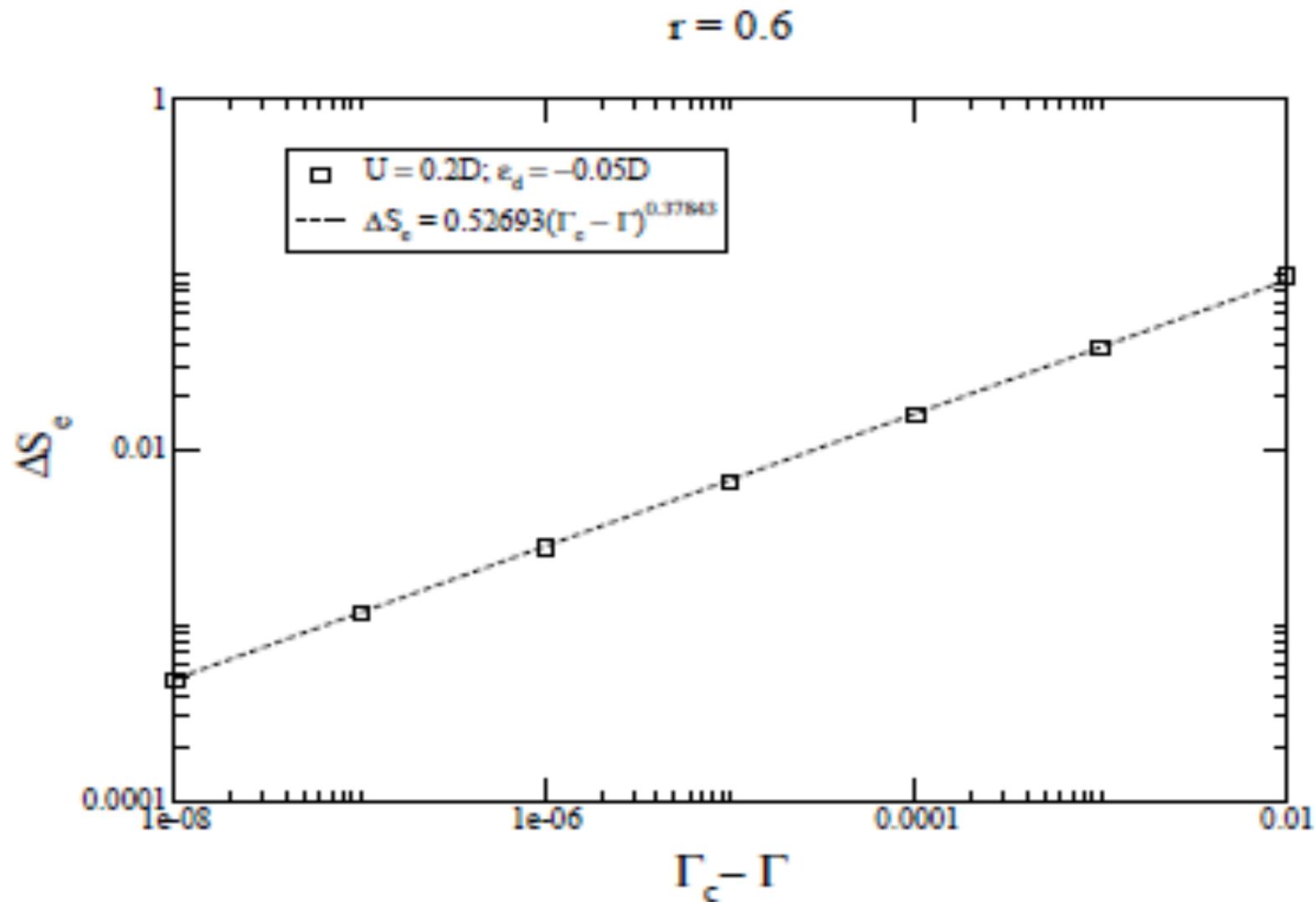
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$$S_e(h=0) - S_e(h \rightarrow 0) \propto (\Gamma_c - \Gamma)^\eta$$

$r$	$\epsilon_d$	$\eta$	$2\beta$
0.2	-0.1	0.3345	0.3200
0.2	-0.05	0.3357	0.3200
0.4	-0.1	1.7988	1.8280
0.4	-0.05	1.0957	1.16
0.6	-0.05	0.37843	0.376

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