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Novel phenomena in QCD Kondo phase of dense quark matter

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The Kondo effect in metals is induced by a spin exchange interaction between conduction electrons and localized impurities. This effect drastically modify electric/thermal/transport properties of metals at low temperatures. In high-density quark matter, a similar effect can be induced by interactions between light quarks and colored impurities like charm or bottom quarks, which is the so-called QCD Kondo effect. The appearance of such a new type of Kondo effect can change the structure of the QCD phase diagram and heavy-quark transport phenomena.

The nonperturbative region of the Kondo effect can be described by a Kondo condensate composed of a light fermion and a heavy impurity, and the structure of the QCD phase diagram including such a phase is an open question [1,2,3]. In this talk, based on our recent studies, I will review novel phenomena realized in the QCD Kondo phase, such as excited states in the Kondo phase [2,4], a Kondo effect by chirality imbalance [5], contributions by antiparticle impurities [6], an enhancement of the chiral separation effect [7,8], a phase structure in lattice models [9], and a heavy-quark spin polarization [7,10].

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