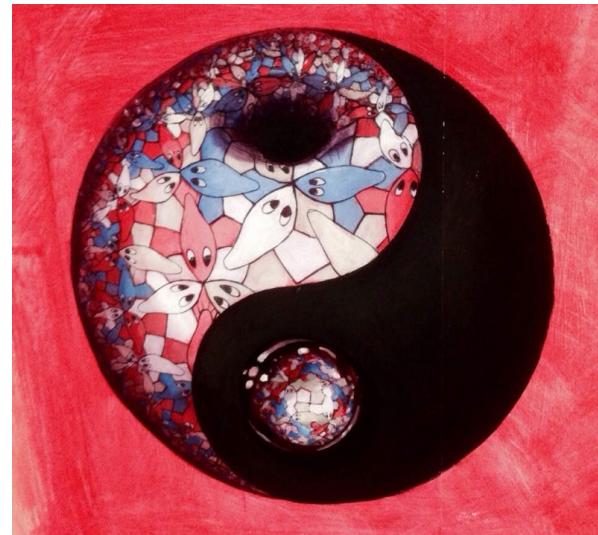


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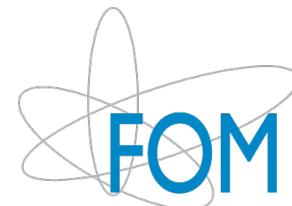
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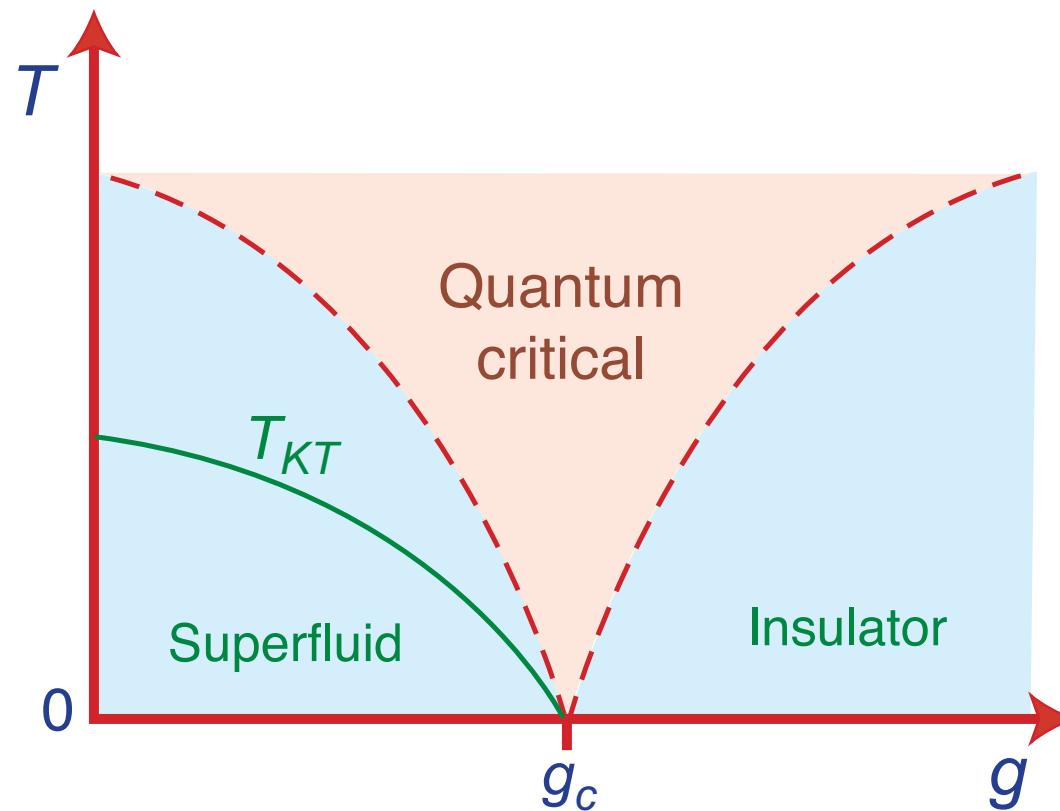
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- Quantum Critical Systems '07 Herzog, Kovtun, Sachdev, Son
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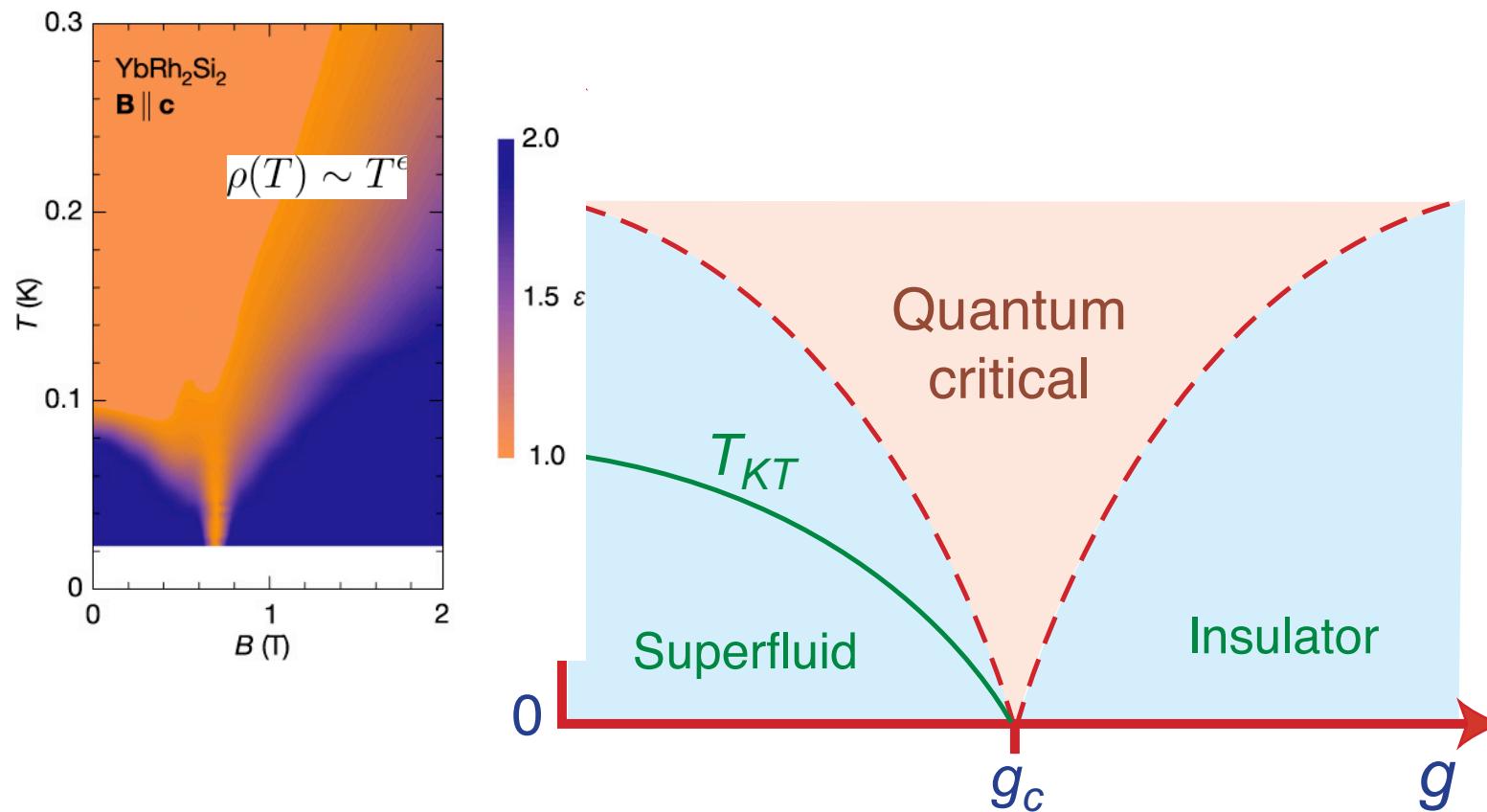
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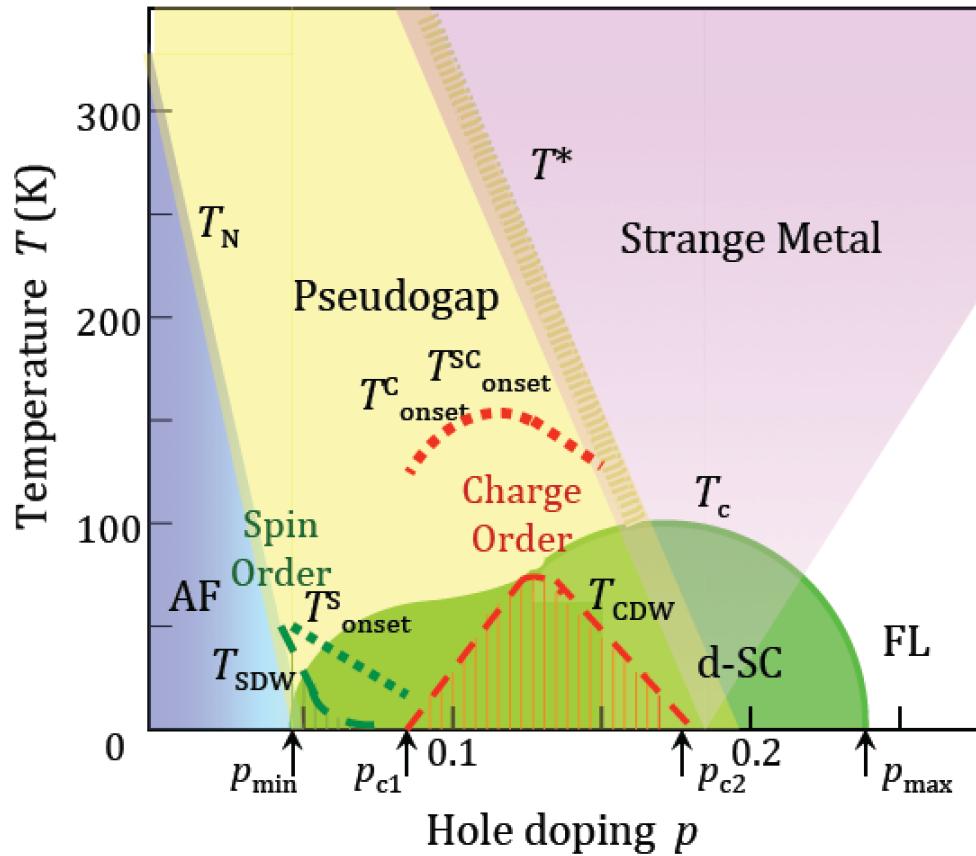
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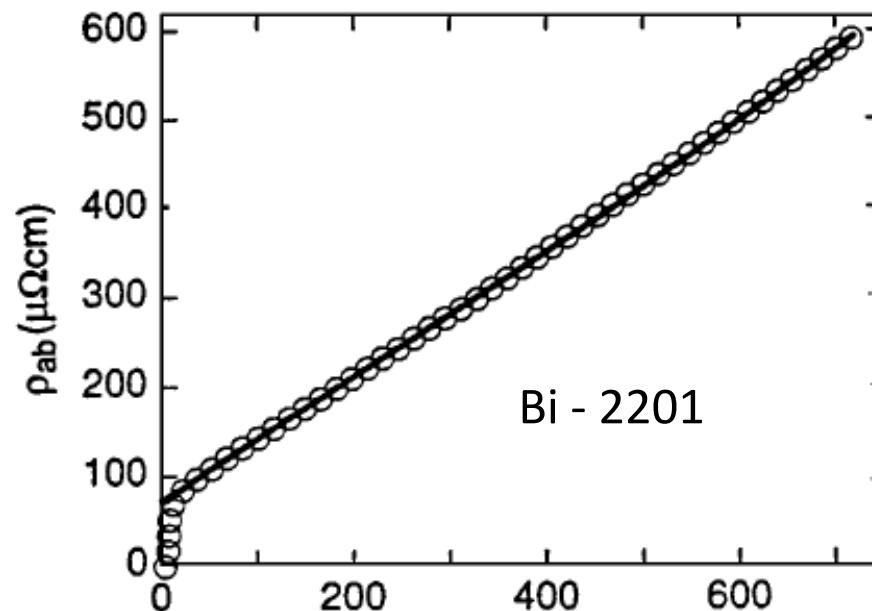
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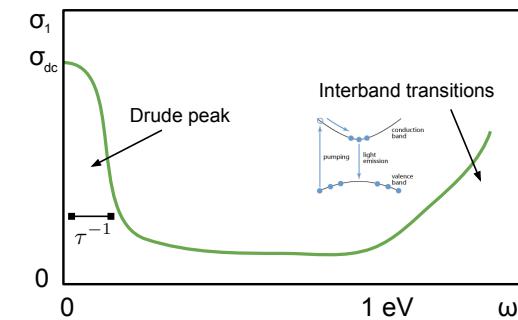
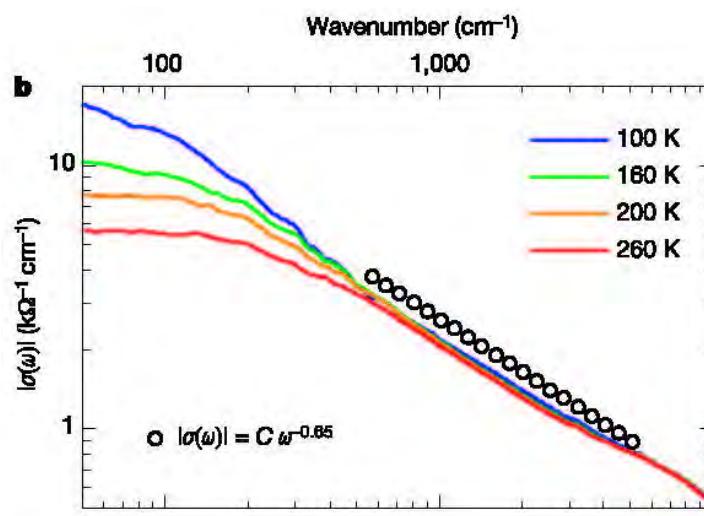
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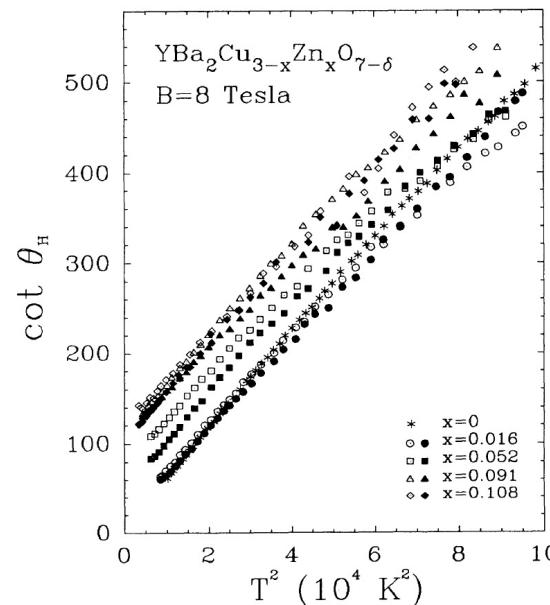
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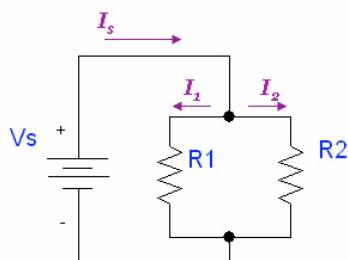
- Theory (e.g. Drude, memory matrix)

$$\sigma \sim \tau \quad \tan \theta_H \sim \tau$$

Fundamental puzzle:

Needs “Inverse Matthiessen”

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Interacting ordinary systems  
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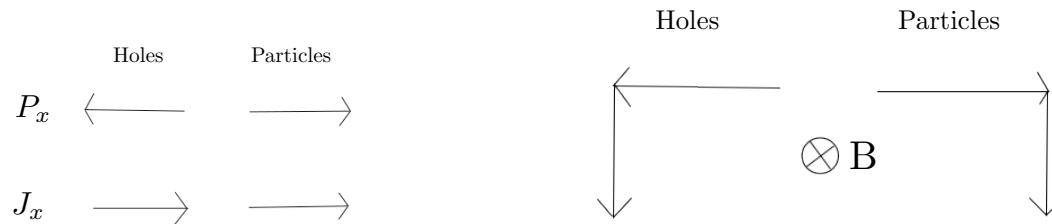
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- Holography: cc-invariant quantum critical



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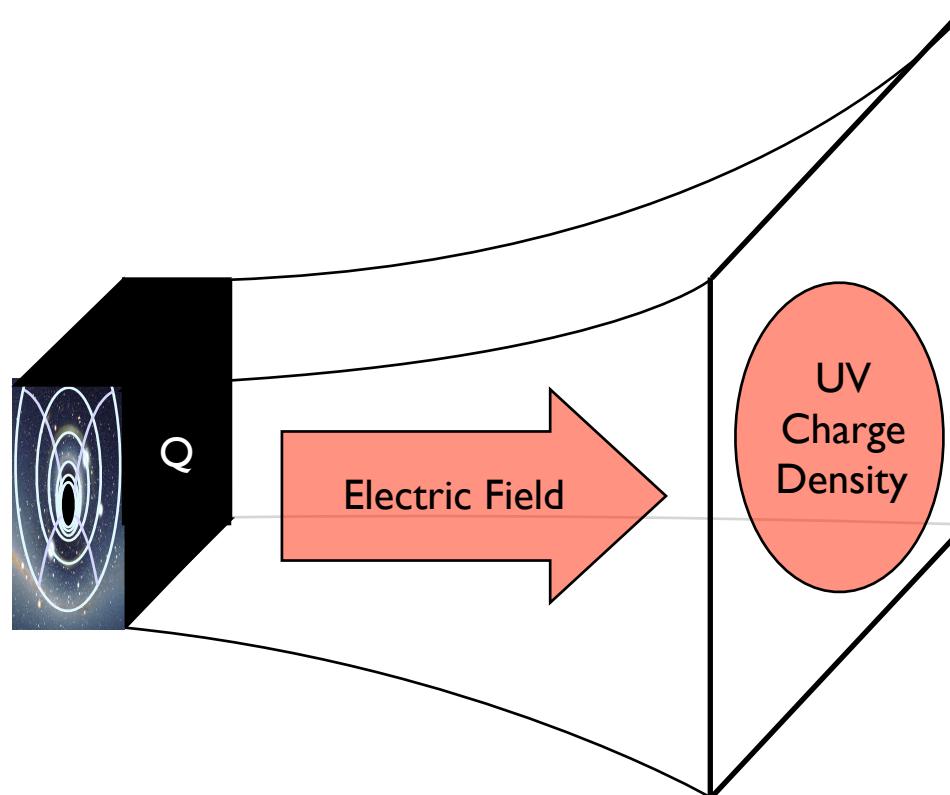


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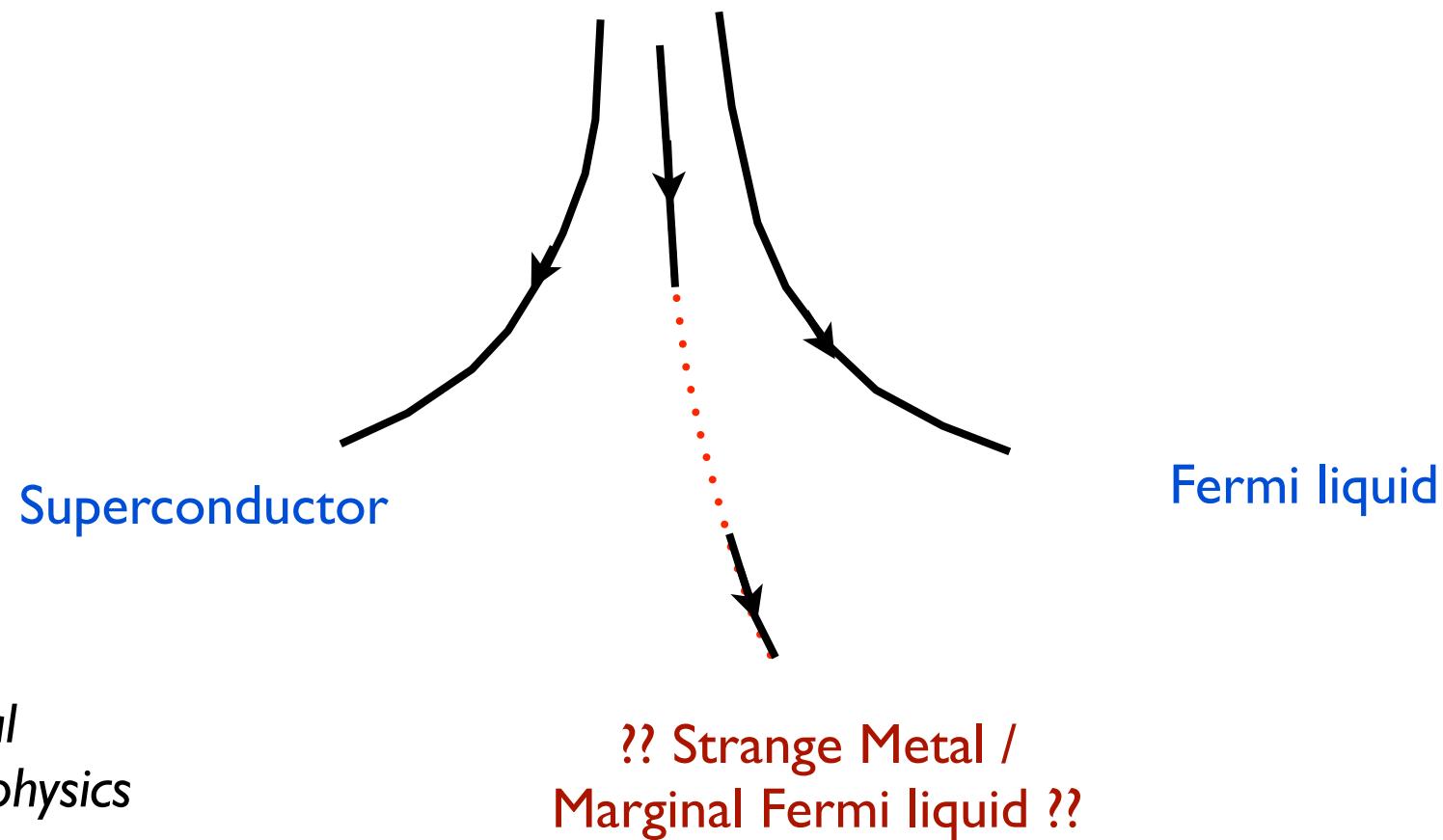
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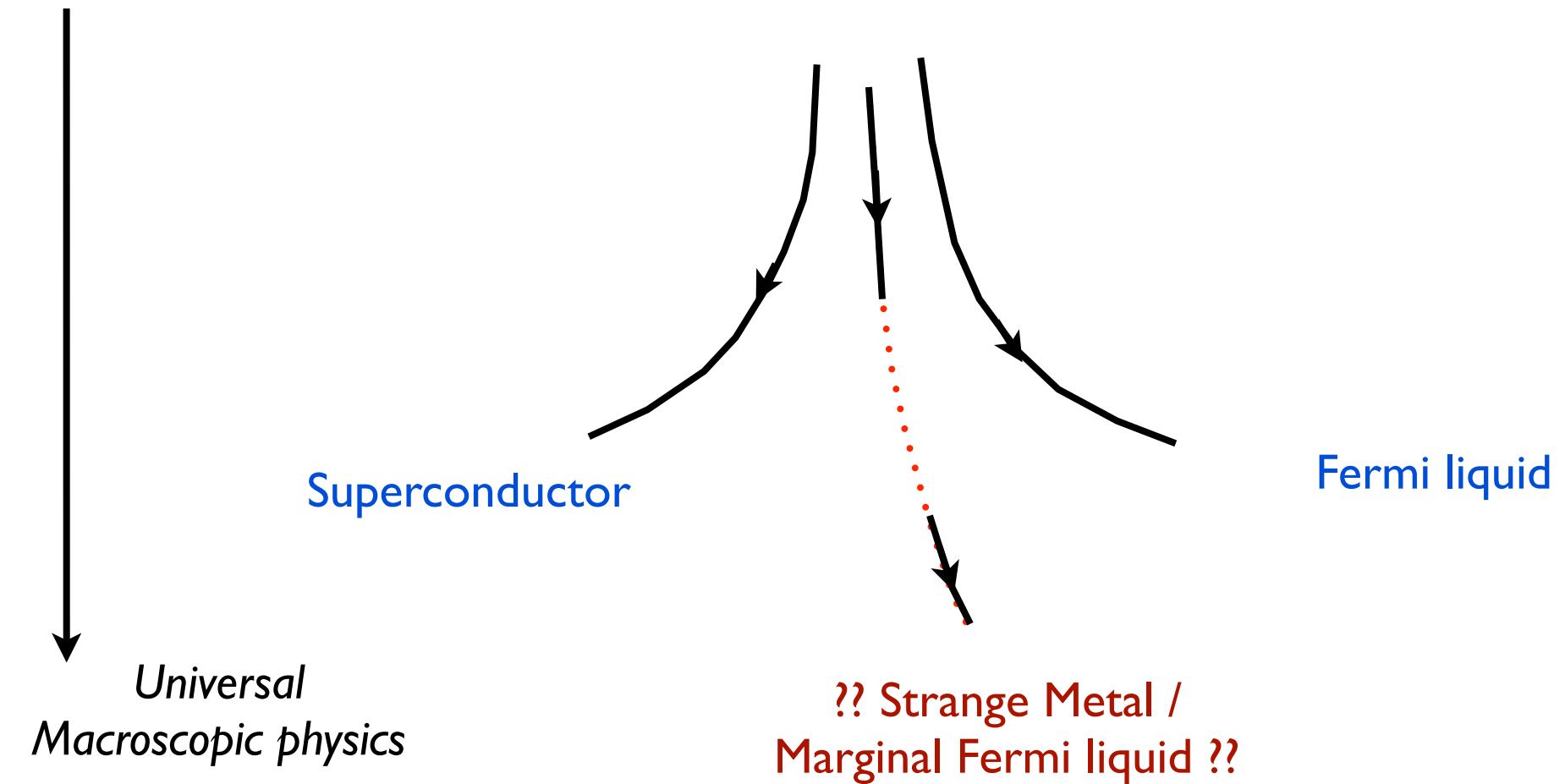
Systems at finite temperature/density = AdS charged black hole

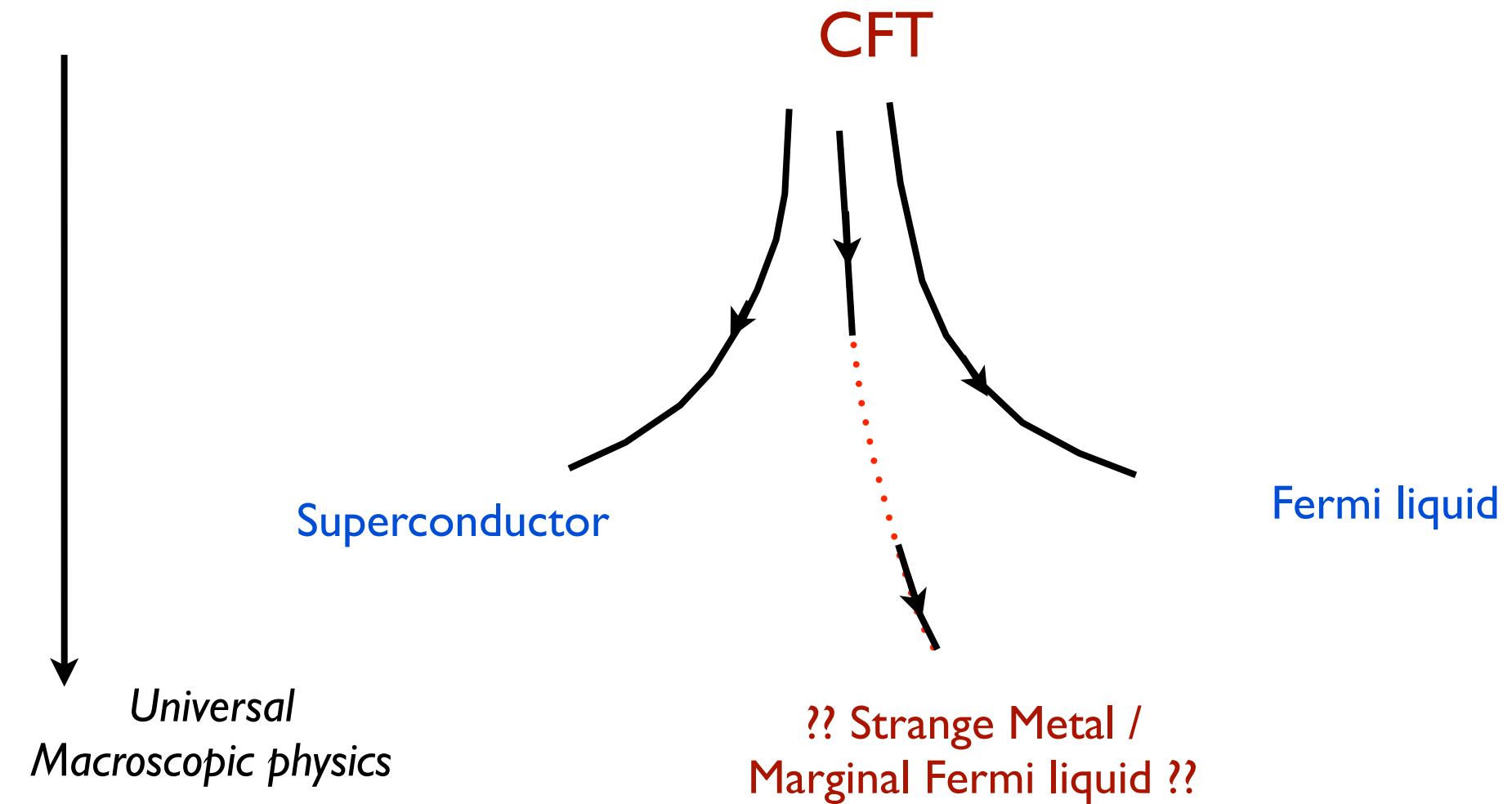


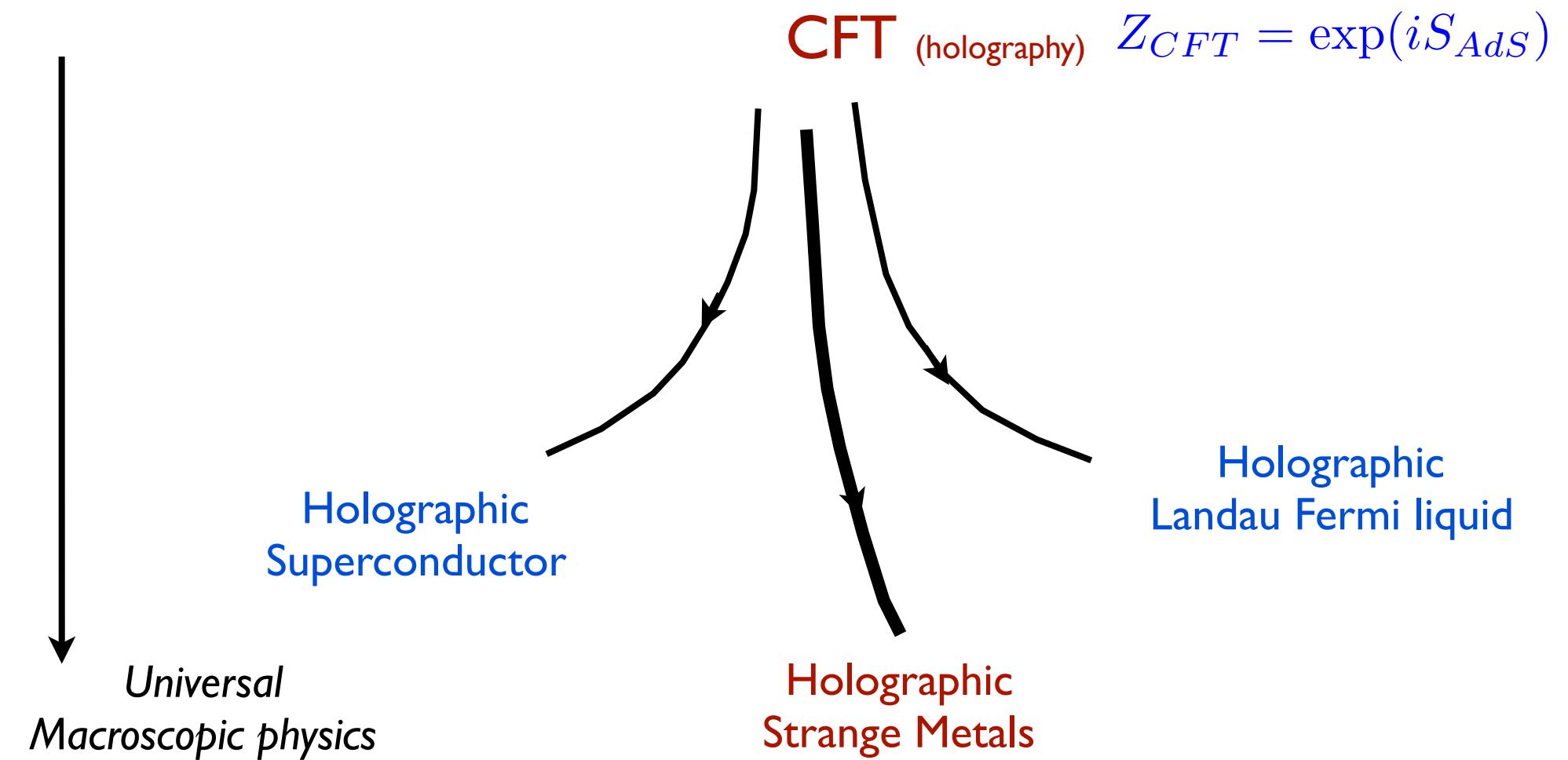
Detailed  
Atomic physics

## The Schrödinger Equation







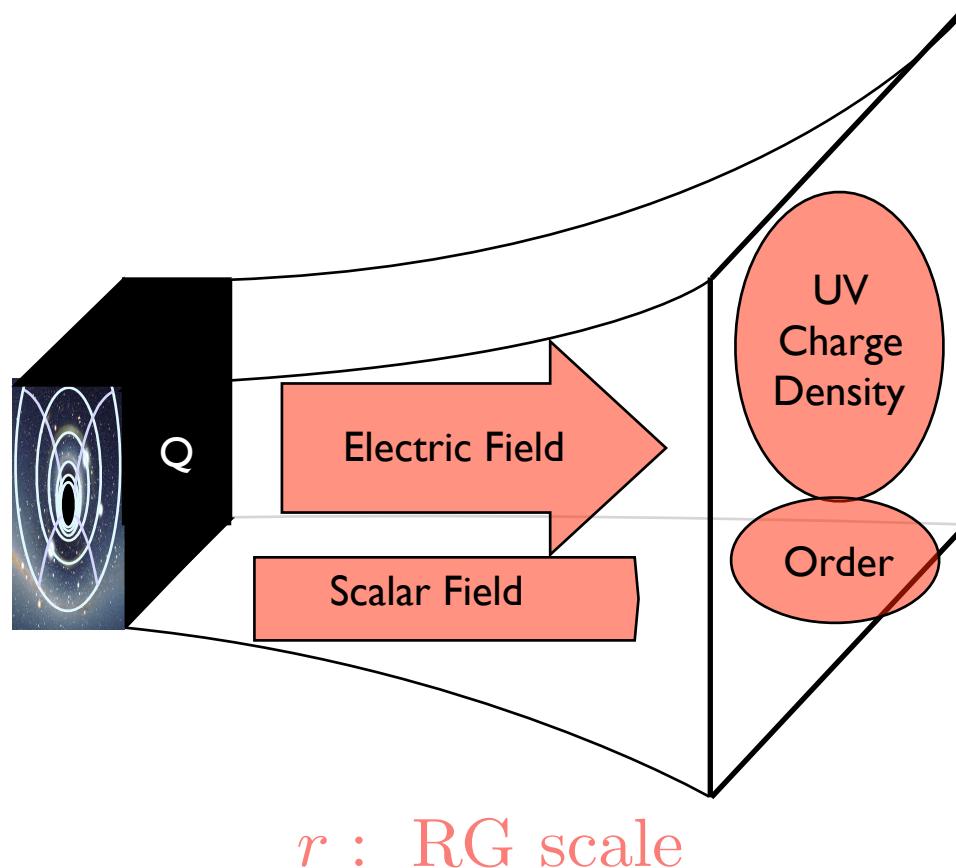


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$\Phi$  : leading relevant operator

$A_\mu$  : dual to  $U(1)$  current

$g_{\mu\nu}$  : dual to EM-tensor

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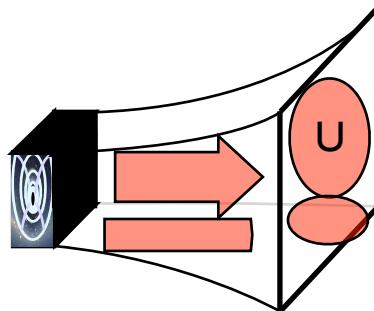
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“Fluid Gravity”

Policastro, Son, Starinets;

Many people:

Davison, Donos, Gauntlett

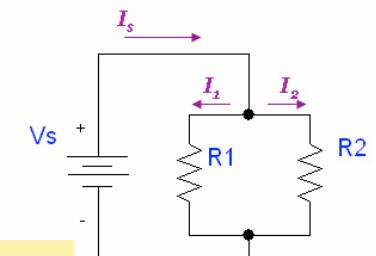
Hartnoll, Herzog, Horowitz,

Iqbal, Liu,

$$\sigma = \sigma_{ccs} + \sigma_{relax}$$

Inverse Matthiessen law: two independent sectors

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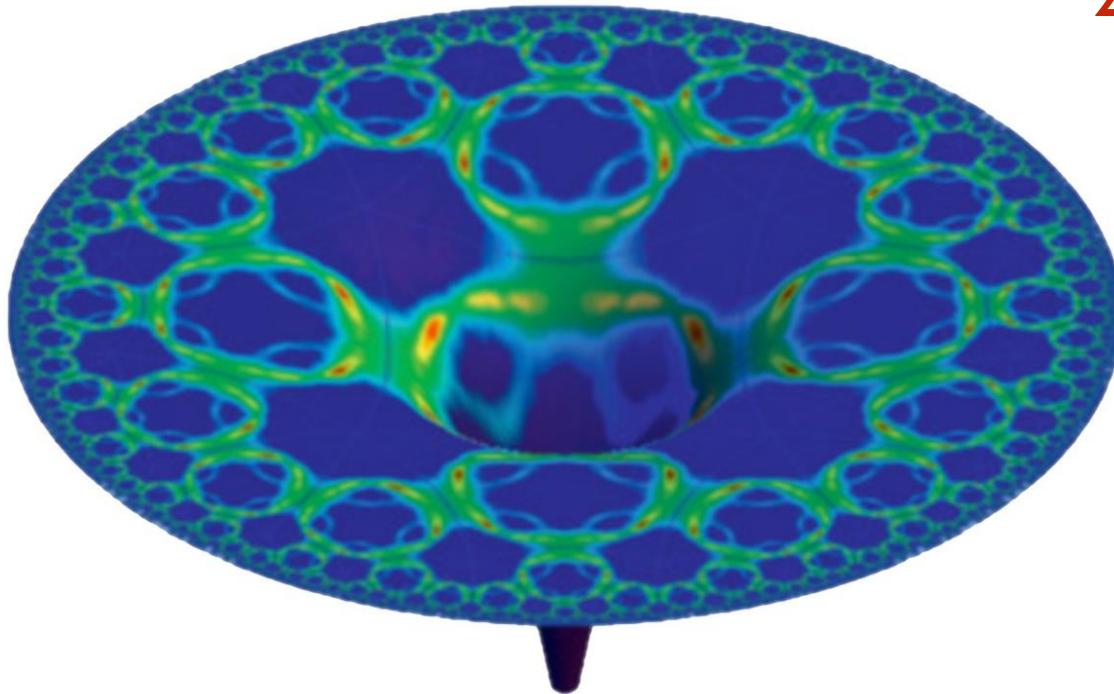
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### Challenge to experiment

Can we show that the high  $T_c$  cuprate strange metals are Lifshitz quantum critical theories supported by an ordered state?

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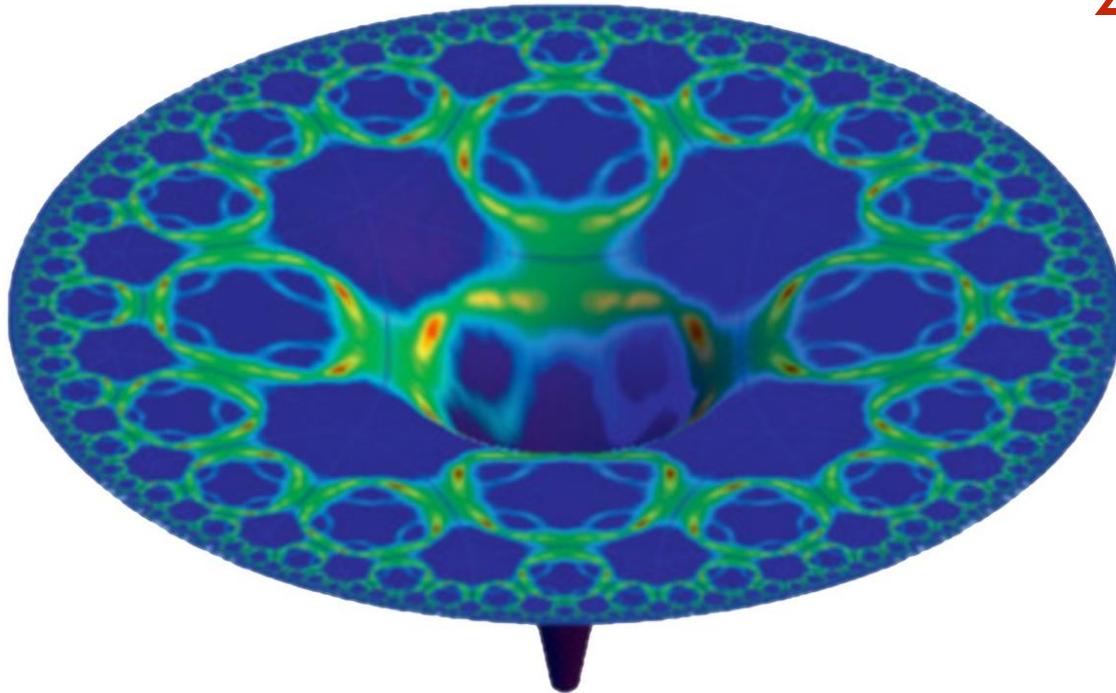


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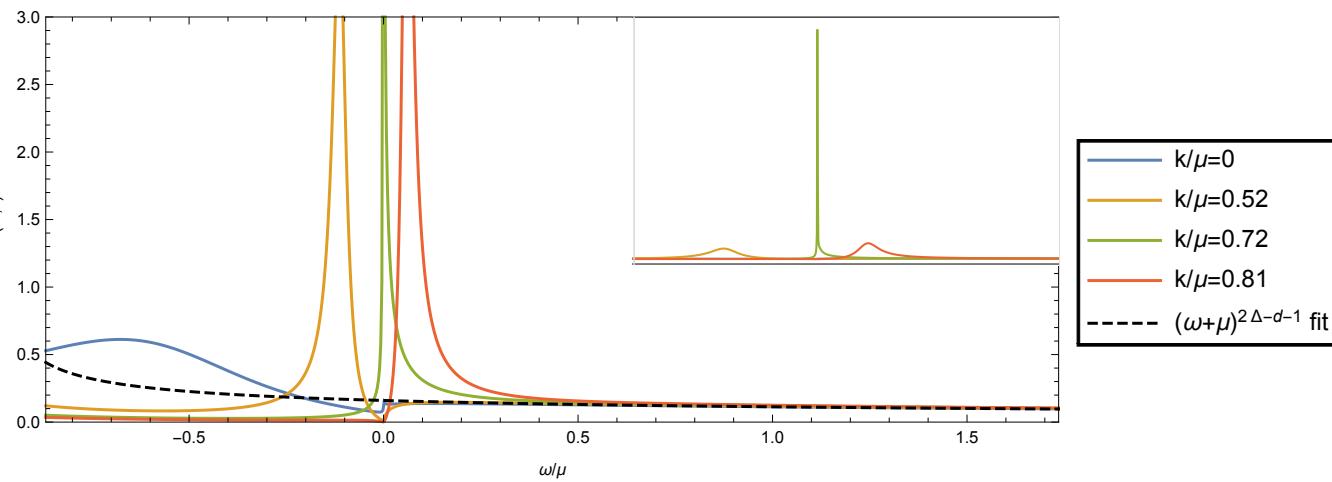
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Cubrovic, Zaanen, Schalm;  
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$$A(\omega, k) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} G(\omega, k)$$



- The groundstate has a clear Fermi surface

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- The exponent  $\nu_{k_F} \sim \sqrt{\frac{1}{\xi^2} + k_F^2}$  is a free parameter
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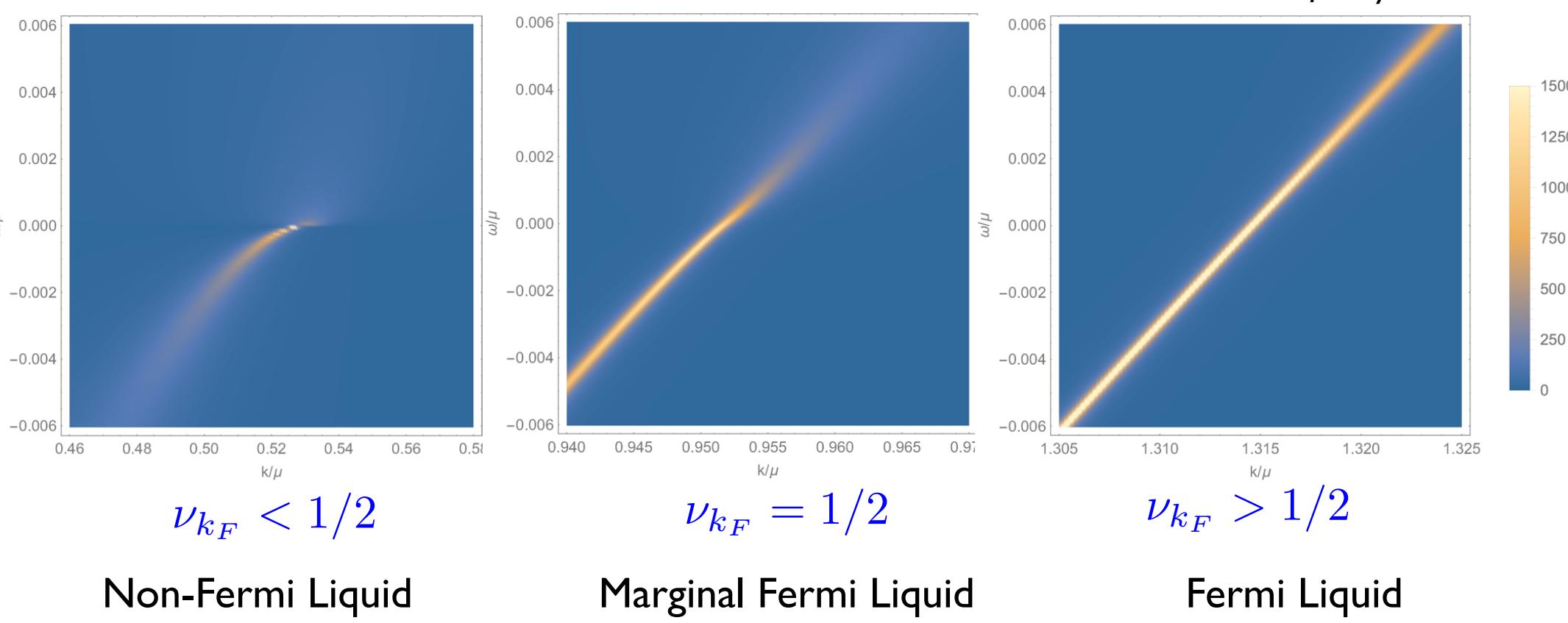
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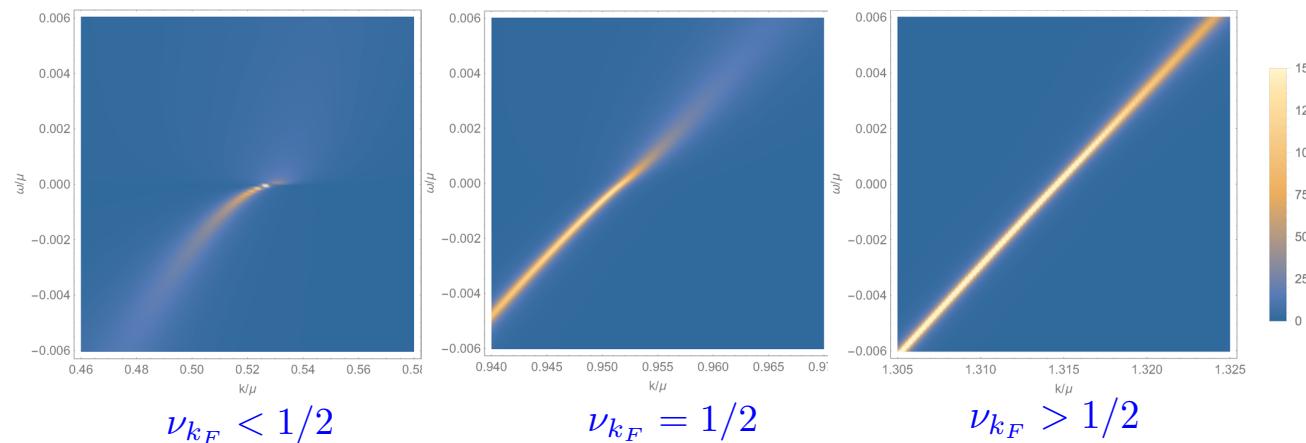
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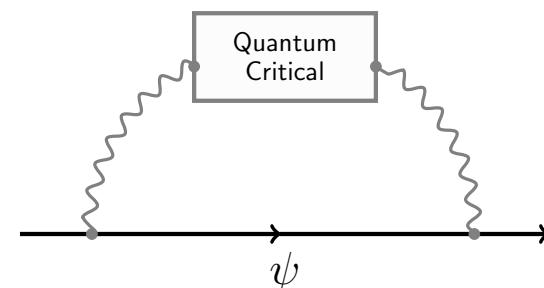


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- The  $\nu_{k_F} < 1/2$  NFL is a system *without* quasiparticles

- Physics: the probe fermion interacts with a quantum critical sector



- Transport does not follow from FS excitations (alone). The quantum critical sector contributes significantly

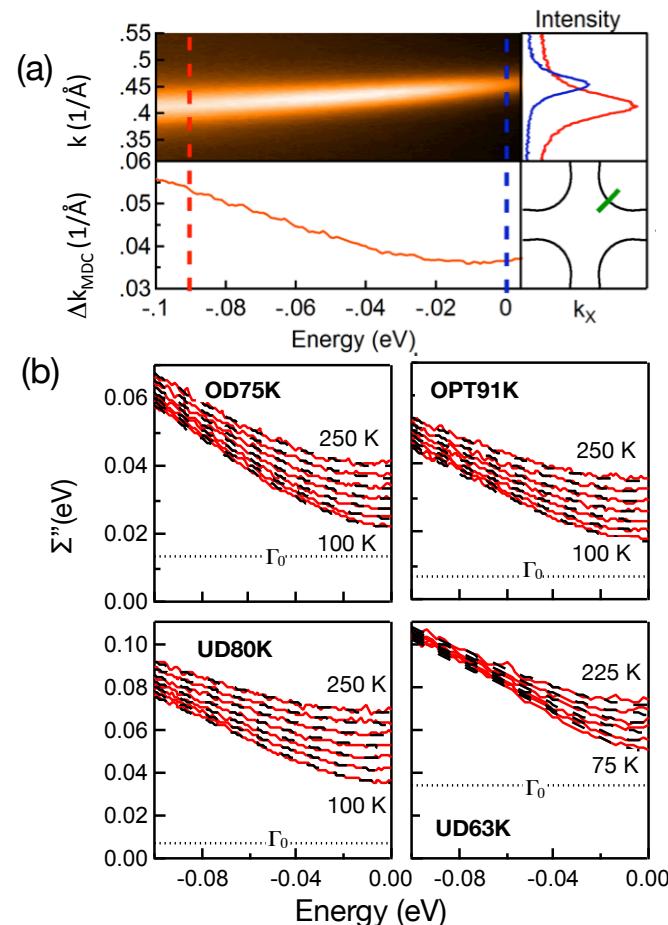
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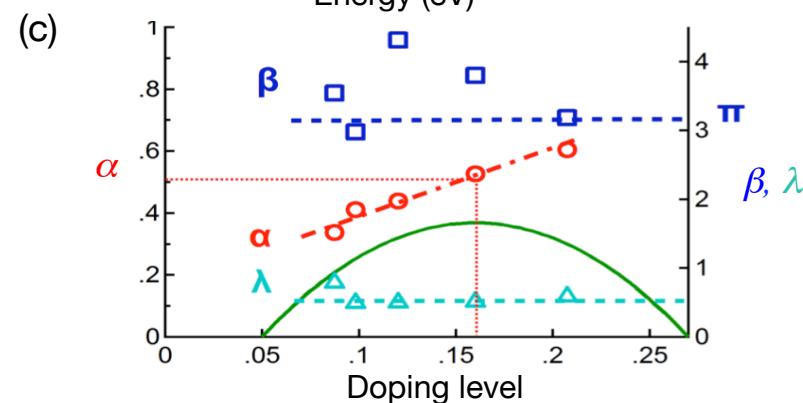
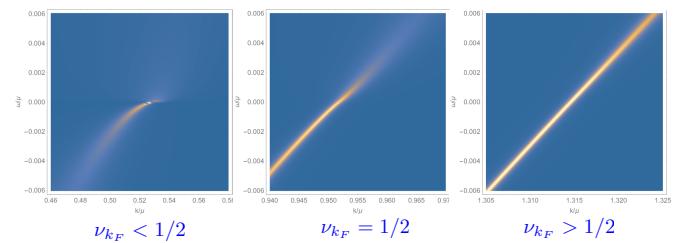
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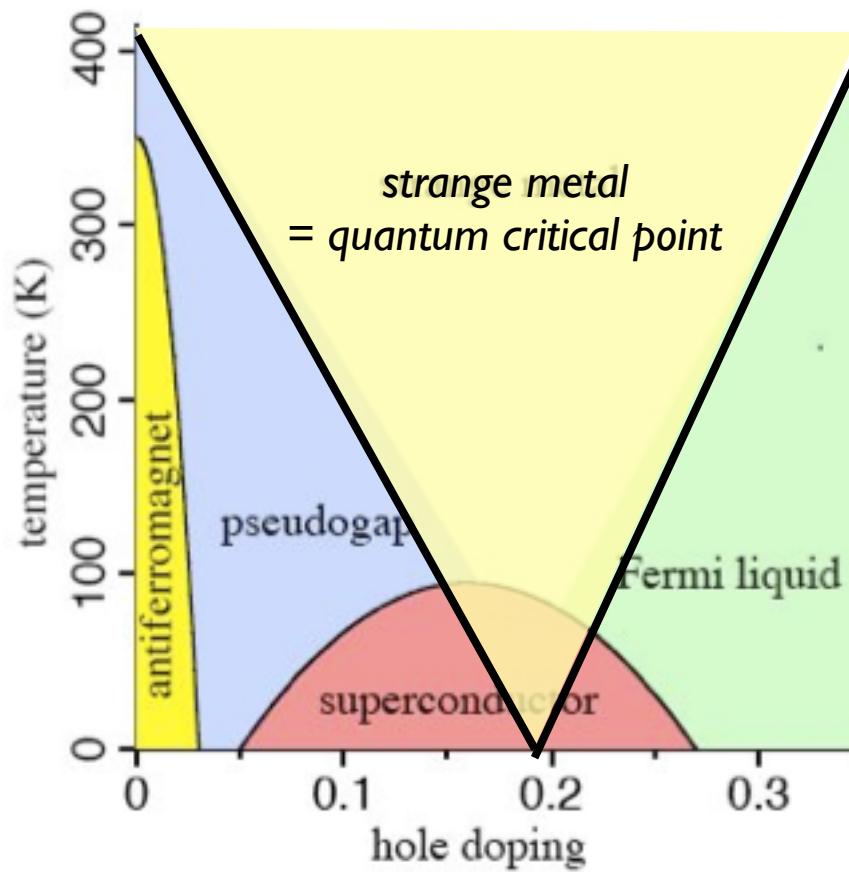
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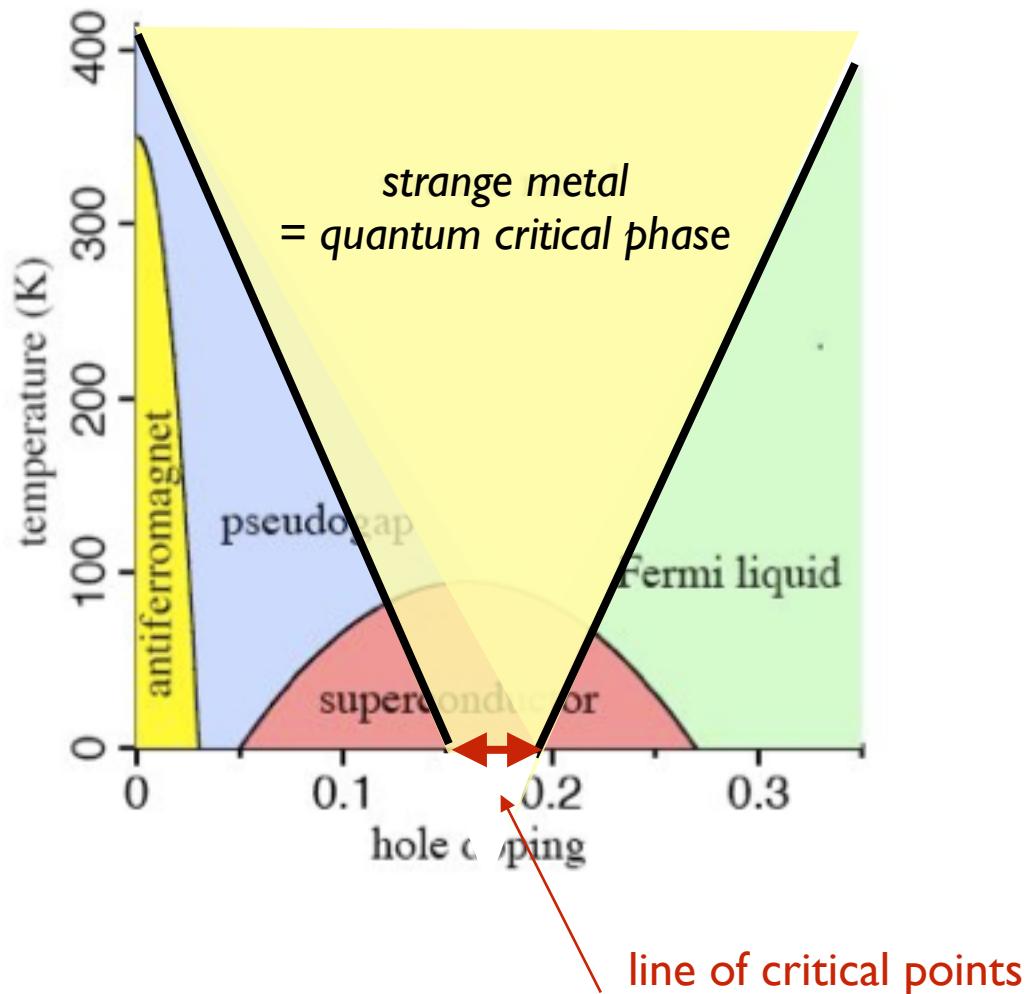
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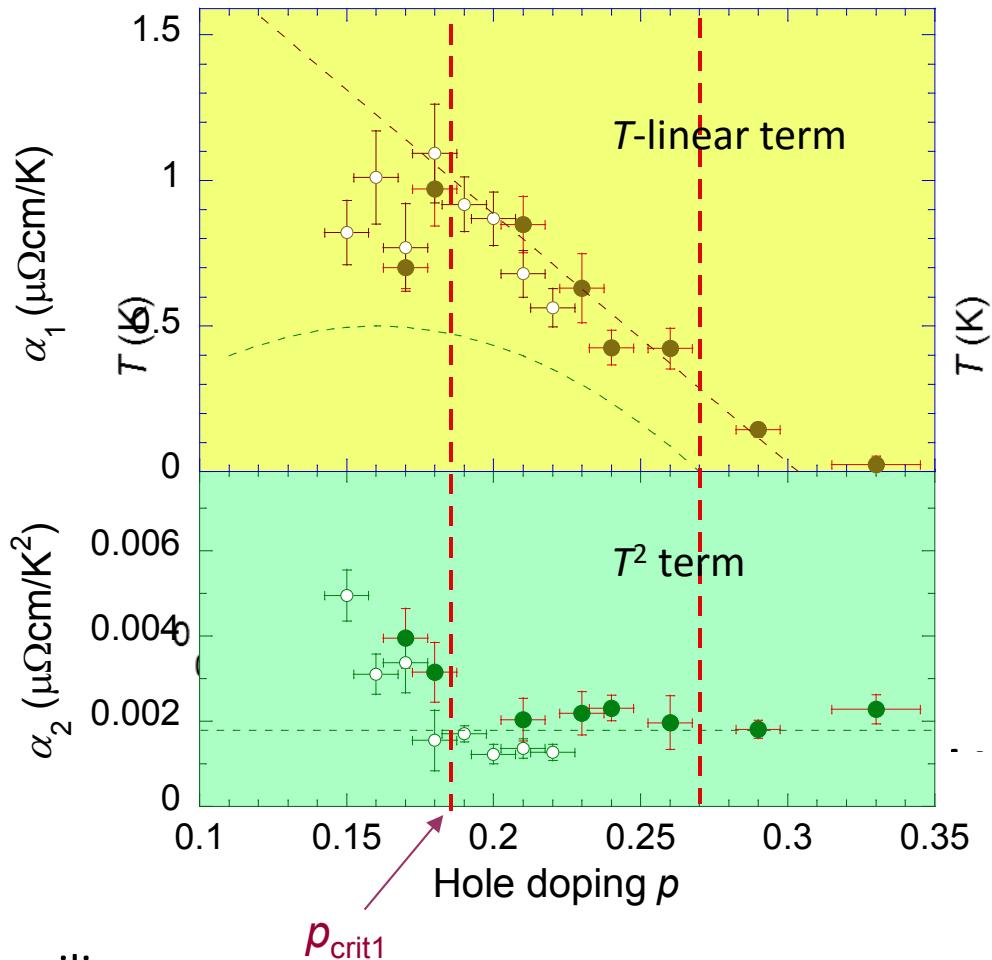


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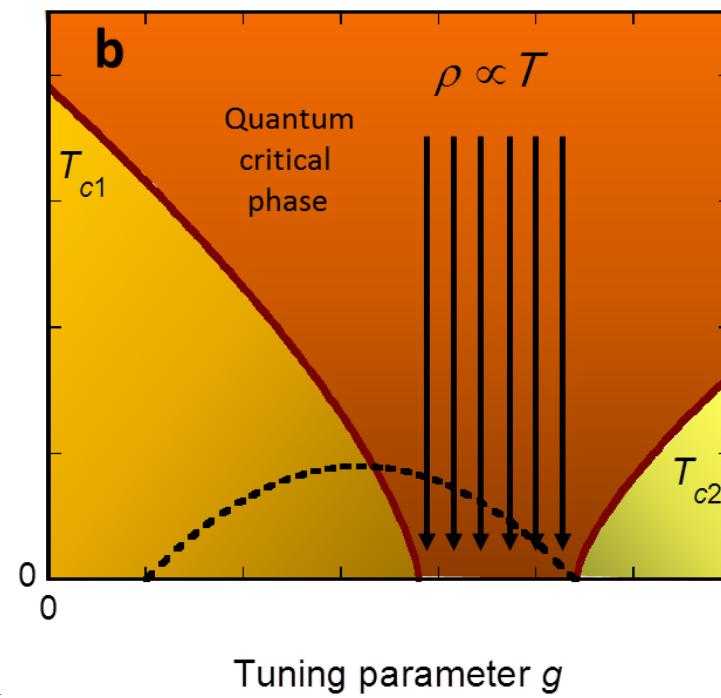


- Linear resistivity in the High-Tc cuprates

Cooper, Hussey et al.  
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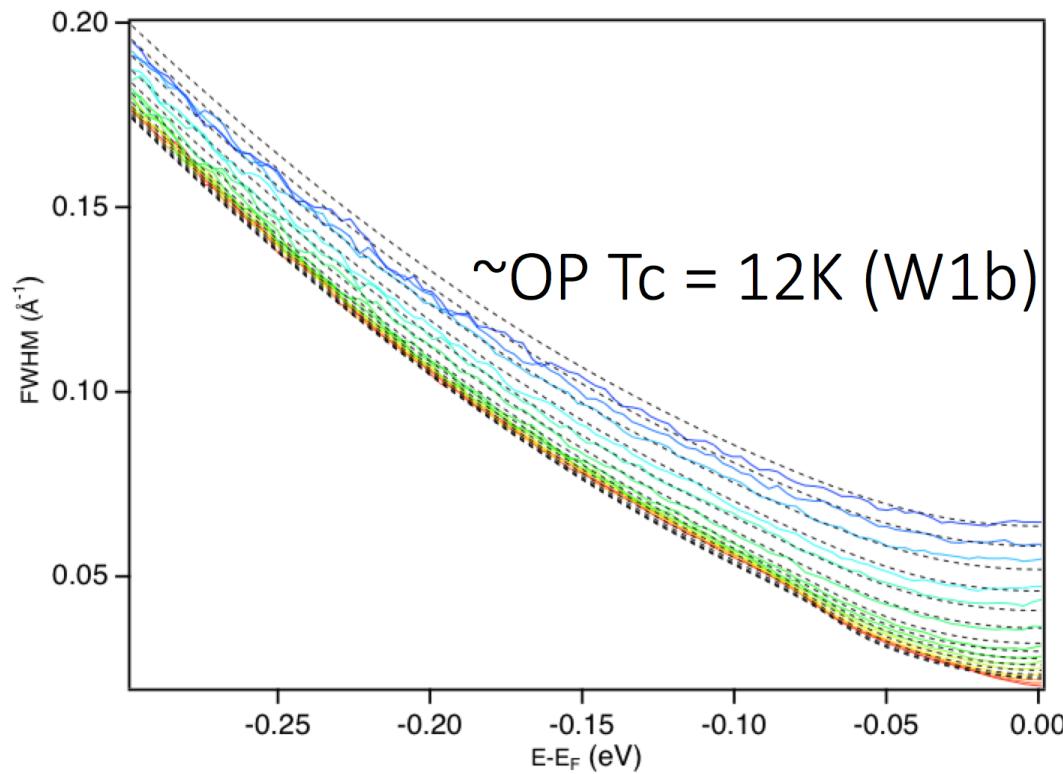


- Most recent data...



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$$\Sigma''_{\text{measured}} = \Sigma''_{\text{intrinsic}} + \Sigma''_{\text{anything else}}$$



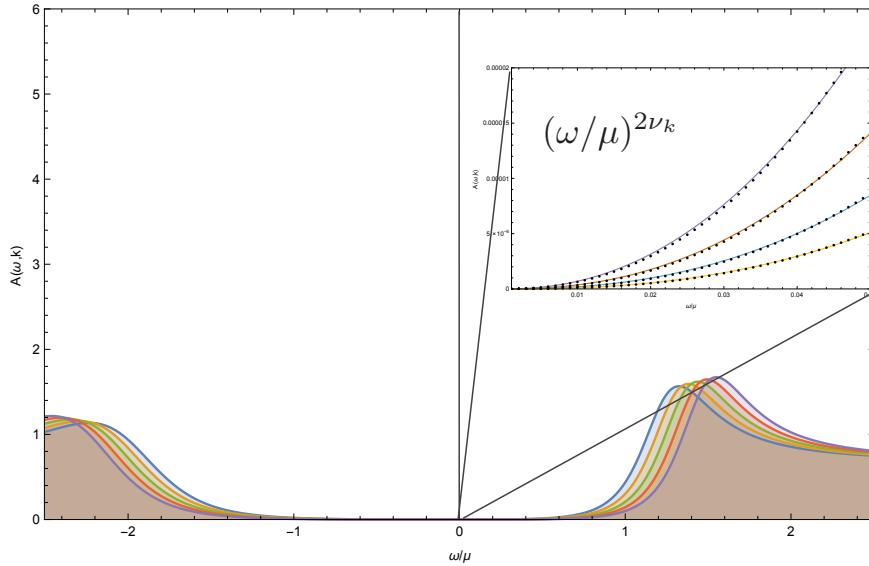
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**Two specific predictions from holography**

- Evidence of the quantum critical sector in the spectral function

Faulkner, Liu, McGreevy, Végh  
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- Near  $\omega = 0$  for  $k \neq k_F$

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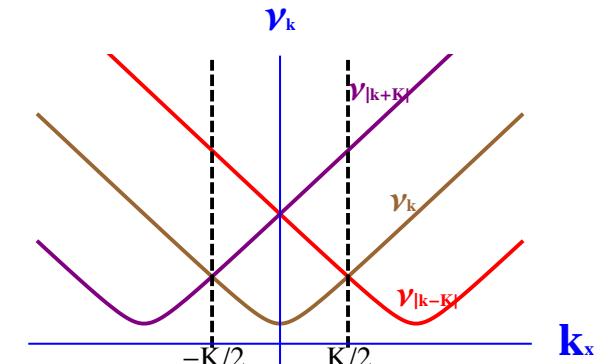
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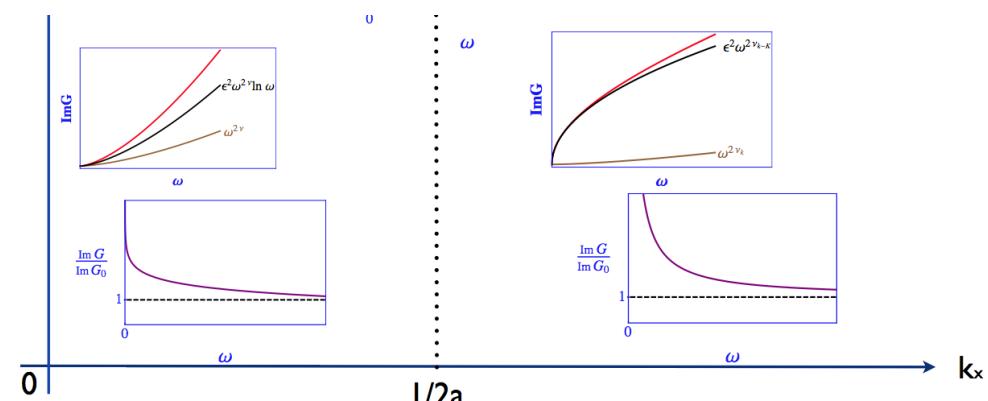
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- On a lattice

$$\text{Im}G_{\text{lattice}}(\omega, k) \sim \sum_{k \in \Lambda} \omega^{2\nu_k}$$



- The Green's function is no longer strictly periodic



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## Comparison to Experiment: Dynamics of the superconducting gap

- In the superconducting state, massive fermionic quasiparticles

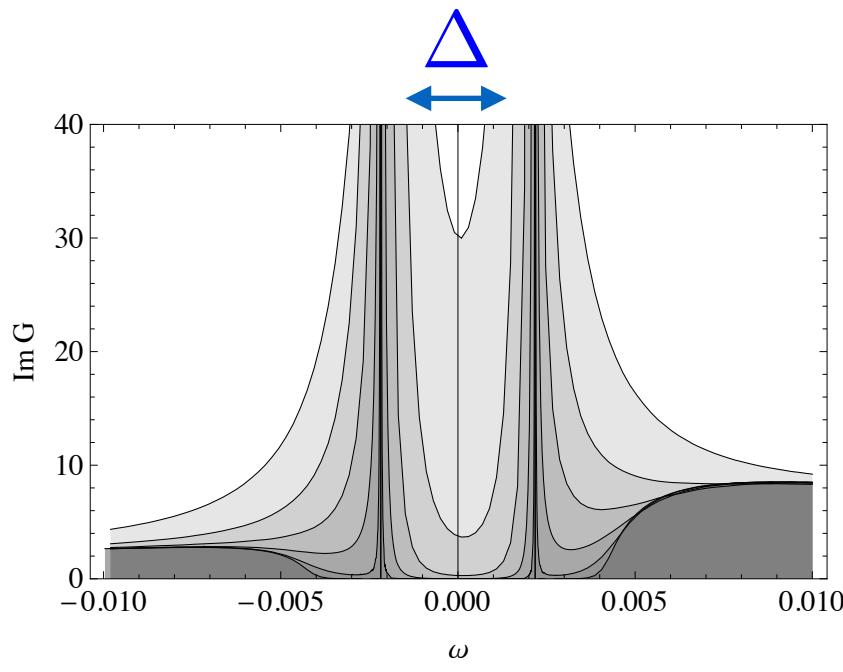
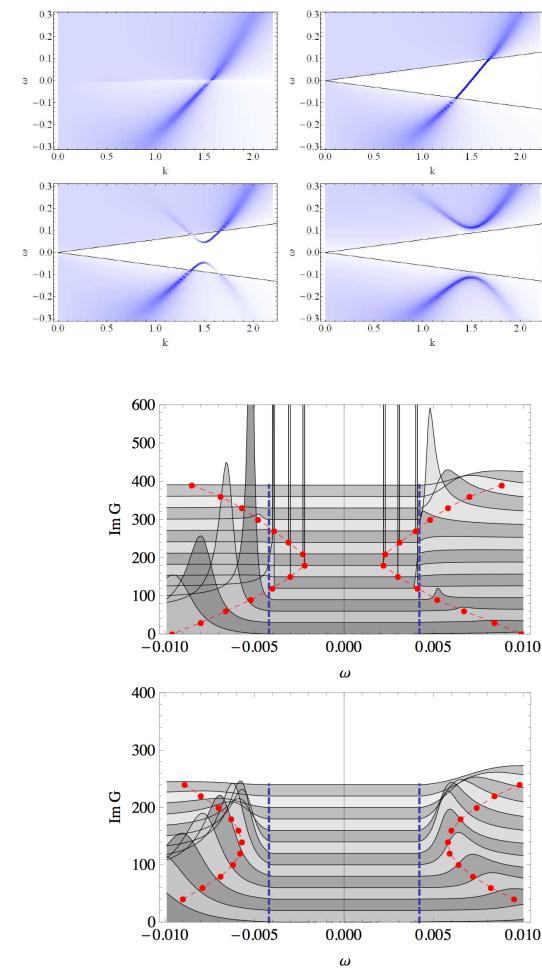


FIG. 7: The effect of temperature (much less than  $T_c$ ) on the fermion spectral function. Shown are plots at  $q_\varphi = 1, m_\varphi^2 = -1, q_\zeta = \frac{1}{2}, m_\zeta = 0, \eta_5 = .025$ , and momenta where the peak is closest to  $\omega = 0$ . The different curves correspond to different temperatures approaching  $T = 0$ .

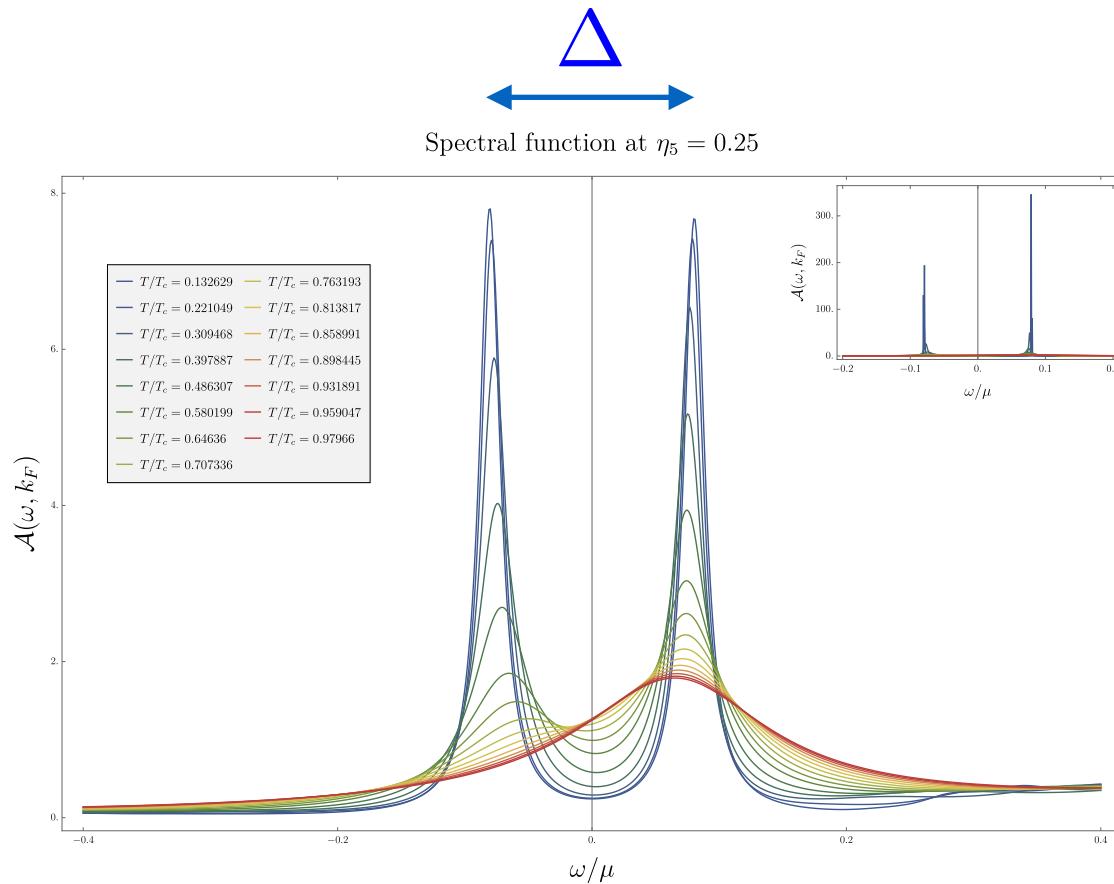


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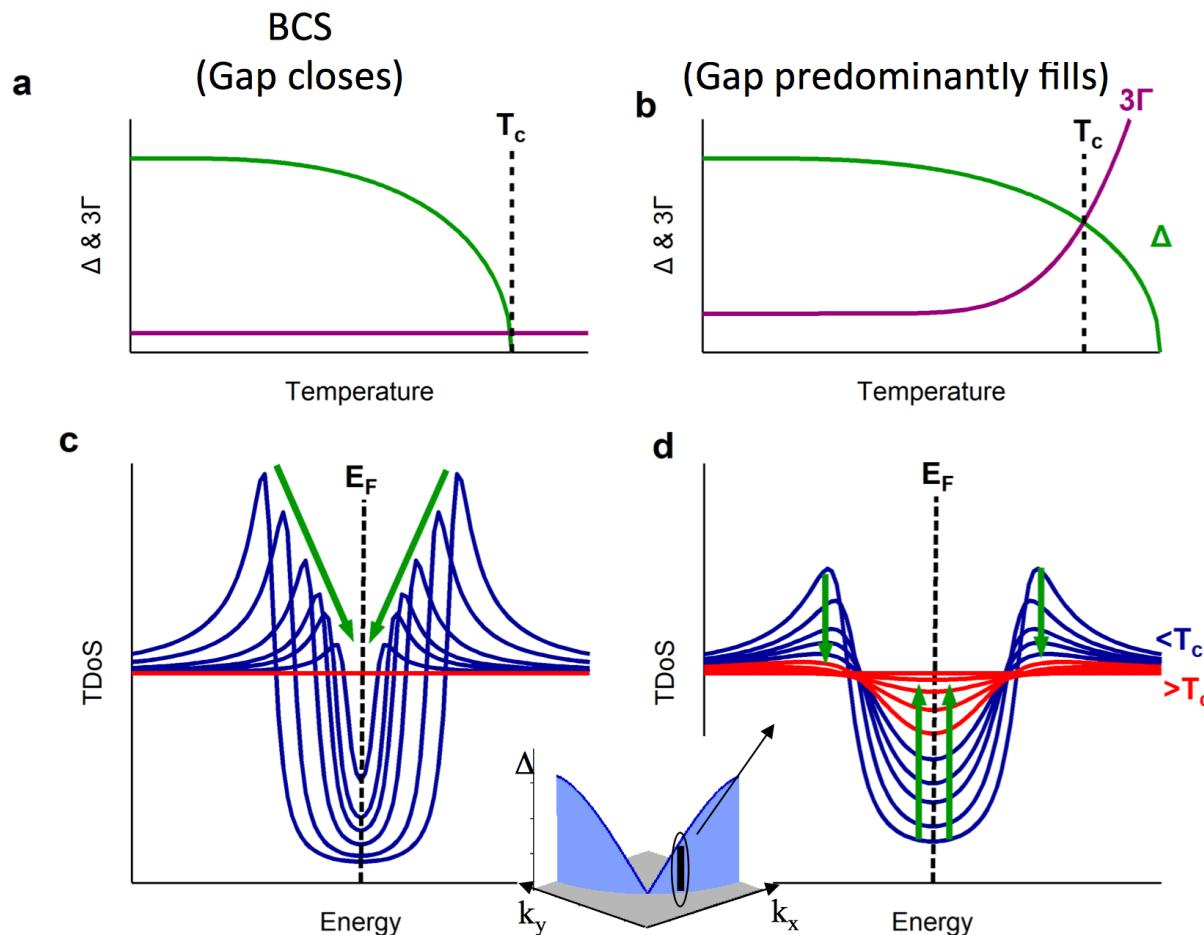
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- In the superconducting state, fermionic quasiparticles are gapped



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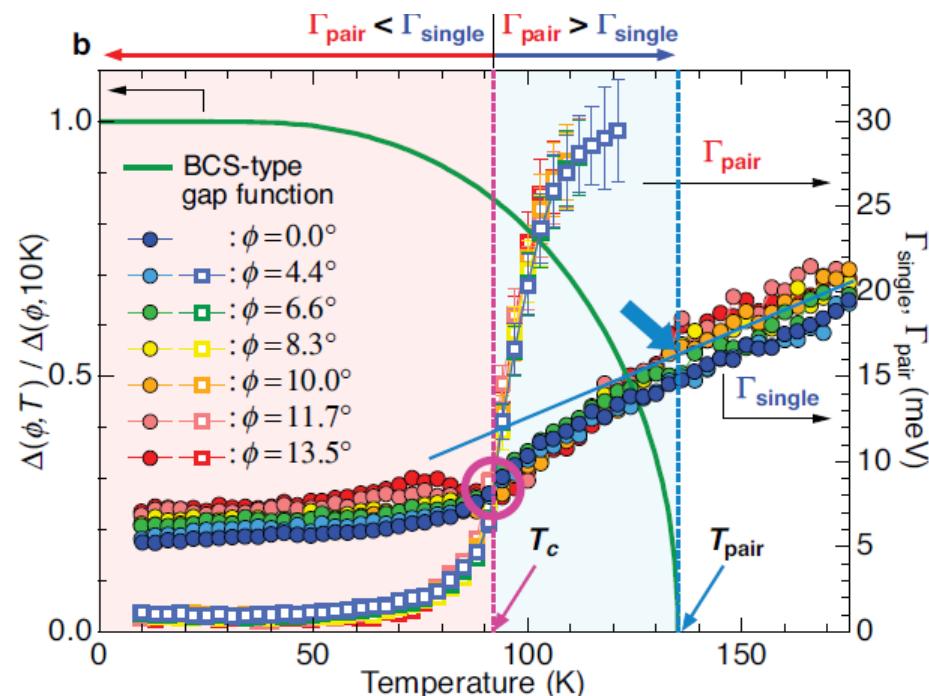
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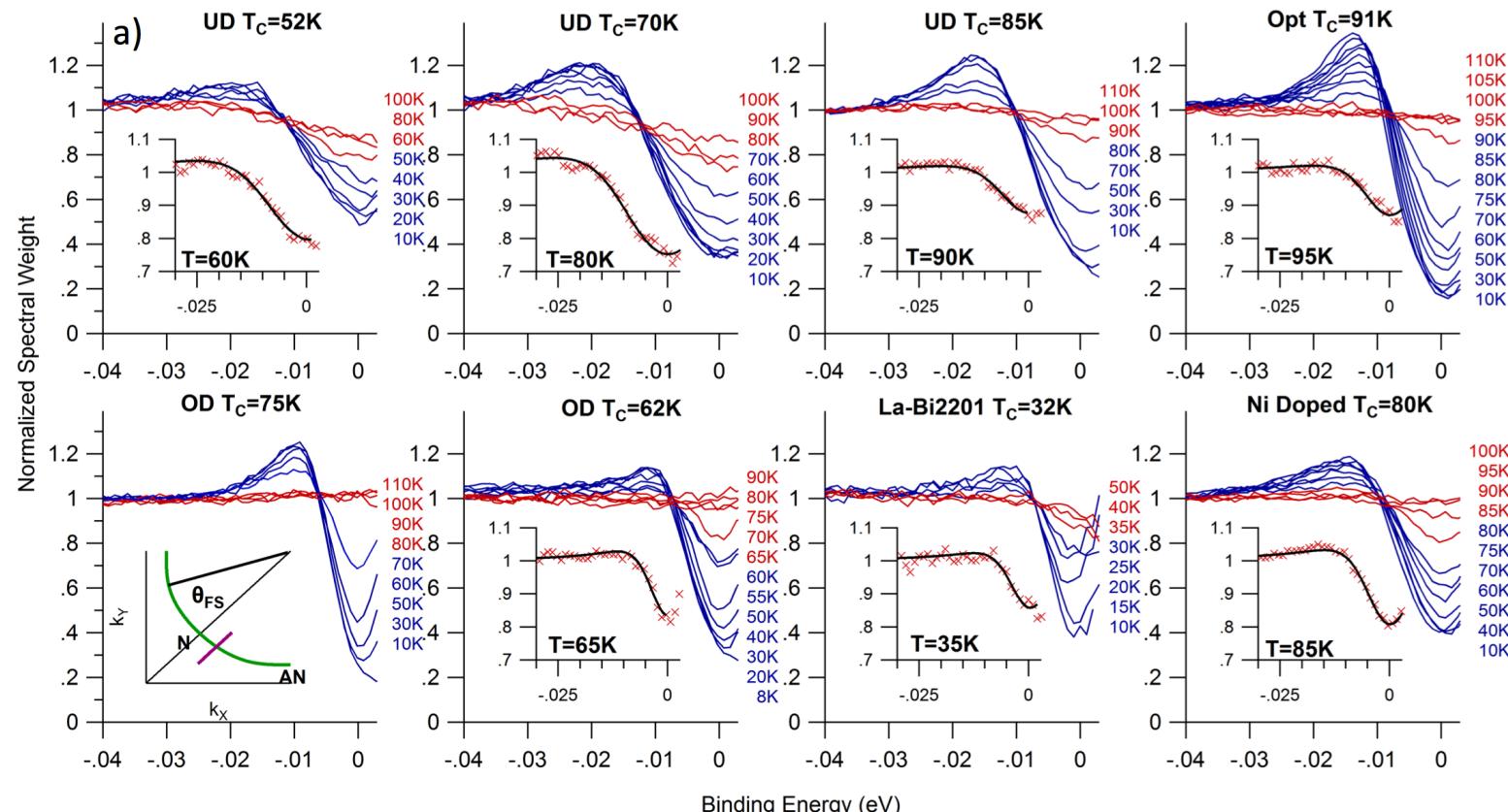
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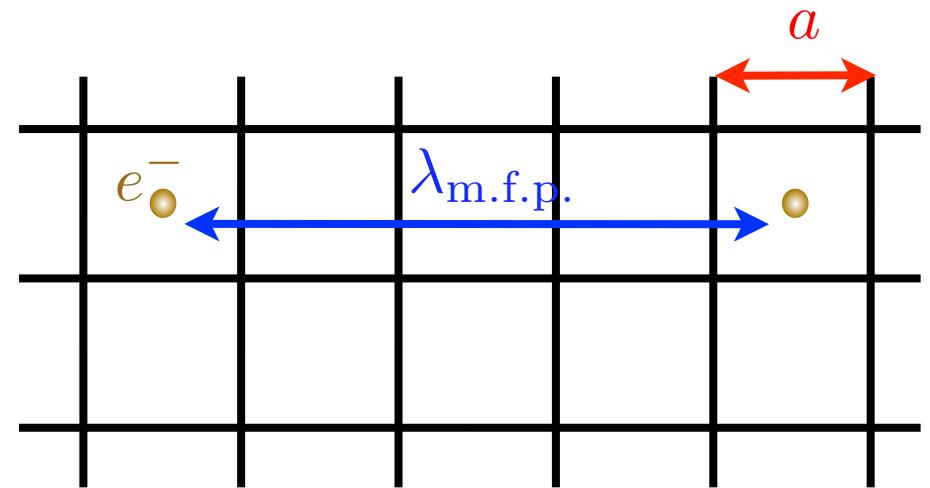
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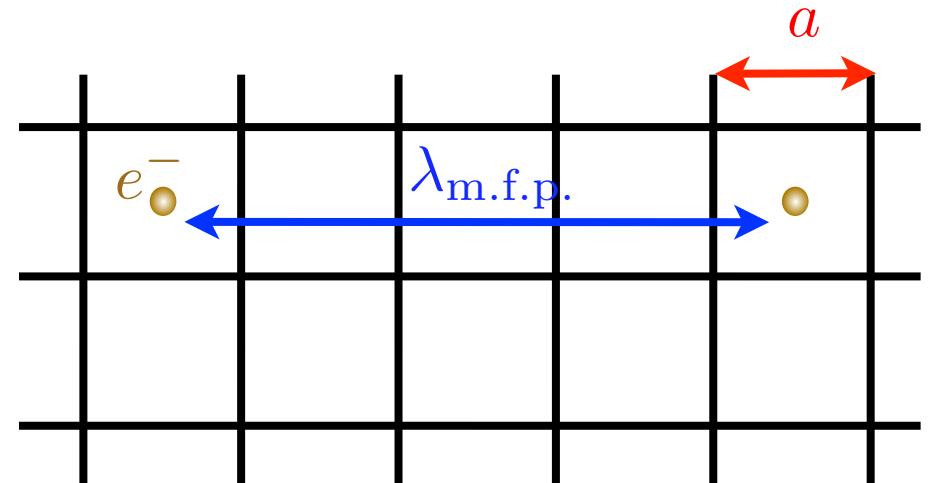
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- Strongly correlated metals (no quasiparticles)

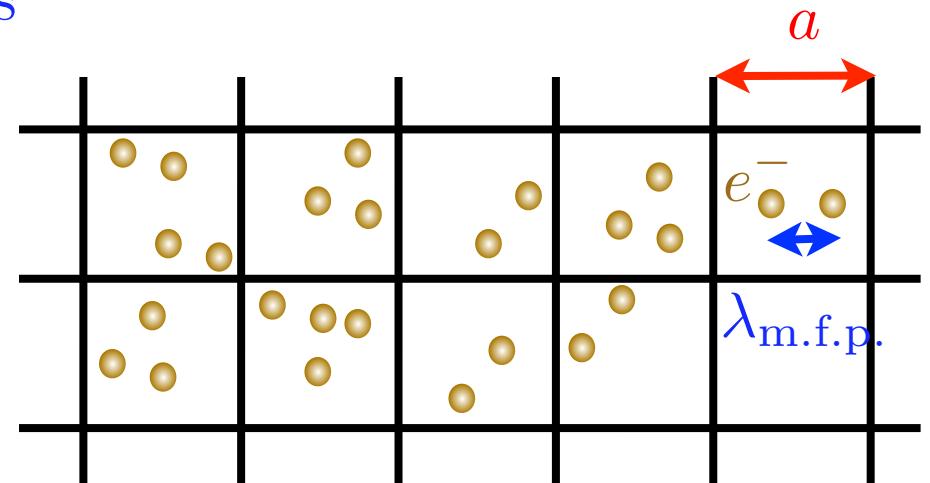
$$\lambda_{\text{m.f.p.}} \ll \text{external scales}$$

- Hydro sets in when

$$\lambda_{\text{m.f.p.}} \ll \frac{g_{\text{coupling}}}{T}$$

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## Resistivity and hydrodynamics

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Andreev, Kivelson, Spivak  
PRL106 (2011) 256804

- What choice for the impurity operator  $\mathcal{O}$  ?
- Hydrodynamics:  $T_{\mu\nu}, J_\nu$  + "irrelevant" ops
- For  $\mathcal{O} = T^{00}$

$$\langle T^{00} T^{00} \rangle \sim \frac{1}{\omega^2 - k^2 + i\omega k^2 c_d \frac{\eta}{\epsilon+P} k^2 + \dots}$$

$$\rho_{DC} \sim \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int dk k (\eta k^2 + \dots) \sim s(T)$$

$$\eta = \frac{1}{4\pi} s$$

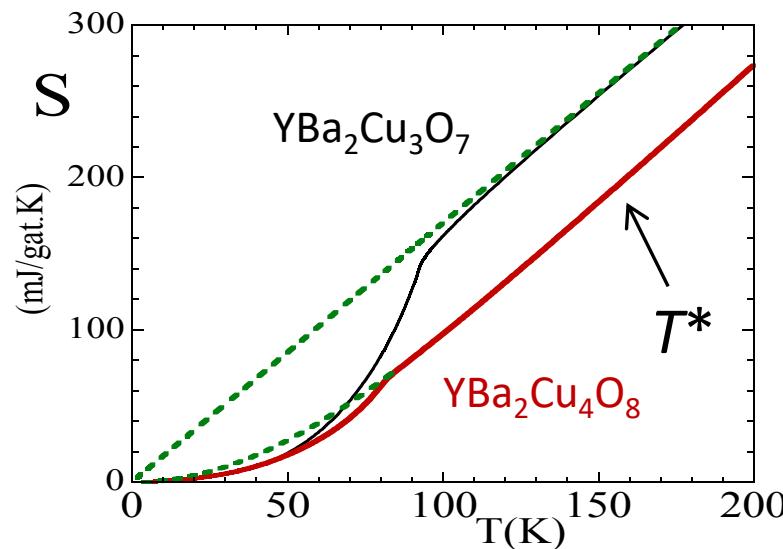
- Caveat: theory must be locally quantum critical  $z \simeq \infty$

Lucas, Sachdev, Schalm, PRD89 (2014) 066018  
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$$\mathcal{O} = T^{00}$$

*strange metal?*

Davison, Schalm, Zaanen  
Andreev, Kivelson, Spivak

$$\mathcal{O} = J^0$$

*charge disorder graphene*

Lucas,  
Lucas, Crossno, Fong, Kim, Sachdev

$$\mathcal{O} = T^{0i}$$

*strain disorder graphene*

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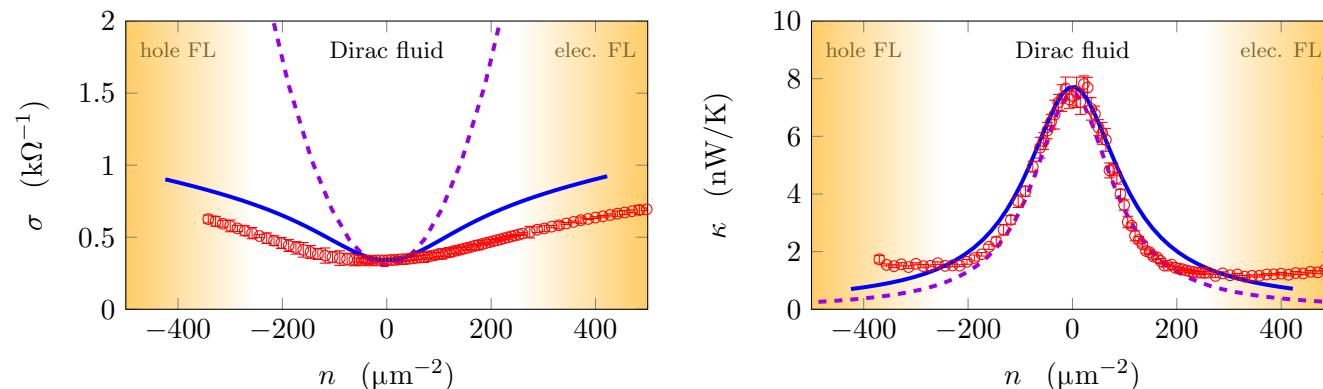
# Observation of the Dirac fluid and the breakdown of the Wiedemann-Franz law in graphene

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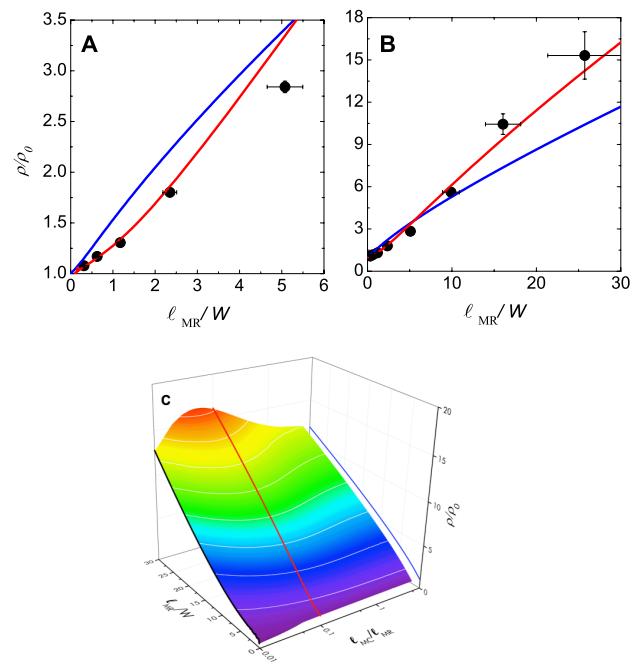


**Figure 1:** A comparison of our hydrodynamic theory of transport with the experimental results of [33] in clean samples of graphene at  $T = 75$  K. We study the electrical and thermal conductances at various charge densities  $n$  near the charge neutrality point. Experimental data is shown as circular red data markers, and numerical results of our theory, averaged over 30 disorder realizations, are shown as the solid blue line. Our theory assumes the equations of state described in (27) with the parameters  $C_0 \approx 11$ ,  $C_2 \approx 9$ ,  $C_4 \approx 200$ ,  $\eta_0 \approx 110$ ,  $\sigma_0 \approx 1.7$ , and (28) with  $u_0 \approx 0.13$ . The yellow shaded region shows where Fermi liquid behavior is observed and the Wiedemann-Franz law is restored, and our hydrodynamic theory is not valid in or near this regime. We also show the predictions of (2) as dashed purple lines, and have chosen the 3 parameter fit to be optimized for  $\kappa(n)$ .

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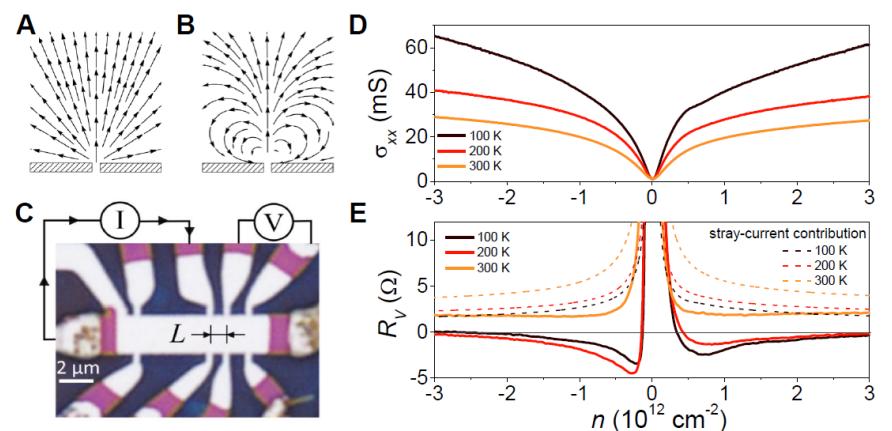
# Evidence for hydrodynamic electron flow in $\text{PdCoO}_2$

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Burkhard Schmidt,<sup>3</sup> Andrew P. Mackenzie,<sup>3,4\*</sup>



**Fig. 4. Hydrodynamic effect on transport.** (A, B) The measured resistivity of  $\text{PdCoO}_2$  channels normalised to that of the widest channel ( $\rho_0$ ), plotted against the inverse channel width  $1/W$  multiplied by the bulk momentum-relaxing mean free path  $\ell_{MR}$  (closed black circles). Blue solid line: prediction of a standard Boltzmann theory including boundary scattering but neglecting momentum-conserving collisions (Red line: prediction of a model that includes the effects of momentum-conserving scattering (see text). In (C) we show the predictions of the hydrodynamic theory over a wide range of parameter space.

**Negative local resistance due to viscous electron backflow in graphene**  
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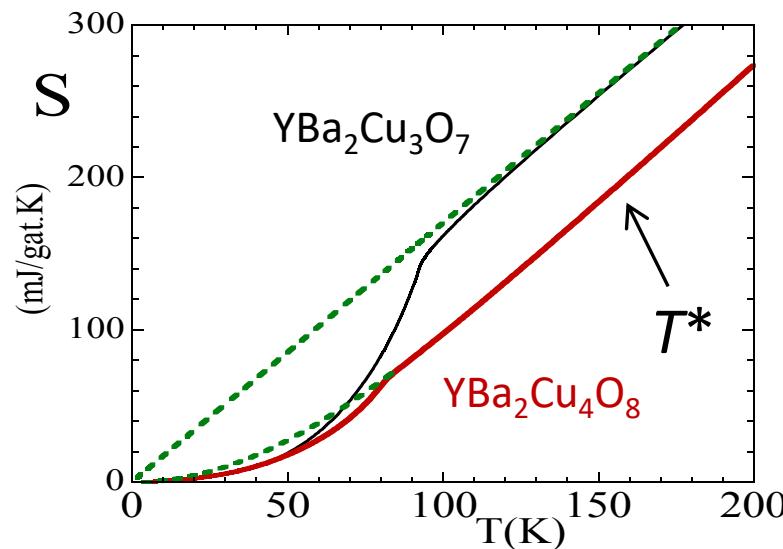


**Fig. 1. Viscous backflow in doped graphene.** (A,B) Calculated steady-state distribution of current injected through a narrow slit for a classical conducting medium with zero  $\nu$  (A) and a viscous Fermi liquid (B). (C) Optical micrograph of one of our SLG devices. The schematic explains the measurement geometry for vicinity resistance. (D,E) Longitudinal conductivity  $\sigma_{xx}$  and  $R_V$  as a function of  $n$  induced by applying gate voltage.  $I = 0.3 \mu\text{A}$ ;  $L = 1 \mu\text{m}$ . The dashed curves in (E) show the contribution expected from classical stray currents in this geometry (18).

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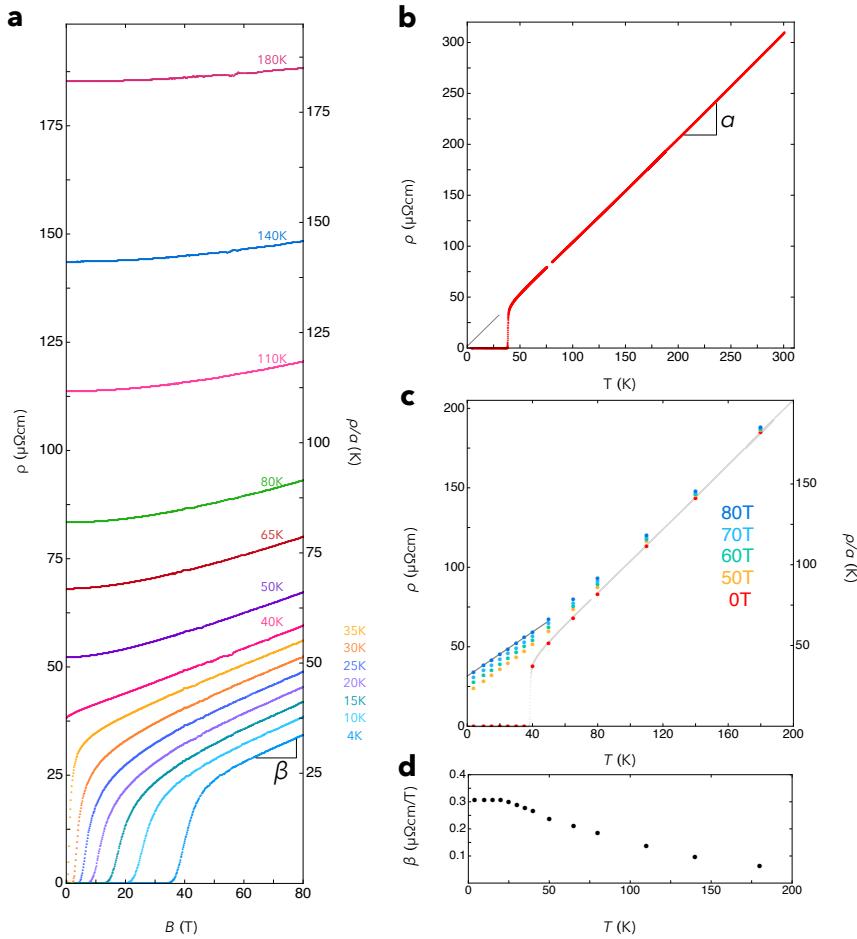
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**Figure 1.** Magnetoresistance up to 80T of the thin-film  $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$  at  $x = 0.190$ . **a** Field scans up to 80T for a set of temperatures up to 180K. The vertical ticks on the right indicate the resistivity in temperature units,  $\rho/\alpha$ , obtained using linear fit in panel b. The aspect ratio is such that 1inch either horizontally or vertically represent the same value in natural energy units,  $\mu_B B$  and  $k_B T$  (80T corresponds approximately to 53.7K). **b** Zero-field resistivity in a broad temperature range up to room temperature. The gray line indicates a linear-fit for resistivity above superconducting transition temperature,  $T_c$ ,  $\rho = a + \alpha T$ , where the intercept  $a \approx 1.5(\pm 1.5)\mu\Omega\text{cm}$  and the temperature-slope  $\alpha \approx 1.02(\pm 0.01)\mu\Omega\text{cm}/\text{K}$ . The uncertainty in  $a, \alpha$  reflects variation in a running slope analysis over broad temperature range. **c** Temperature dependence of resistivity at fixed field (indicated by color legend). Gray points indicate the zero-field resistivity from panel a. The vertical ticks on the right indicate the resistivity in units of temperature,  $\rho/\alpha$ , same as in panel a. The solid line through a set of 80T points at low temperatures is a guide for the eye. **d** Temperature dependence of field-slope of resistivity at fixed field (calculated as linear regression for  $65T < B < 77T$  field range). The slope saturates below about 25K.



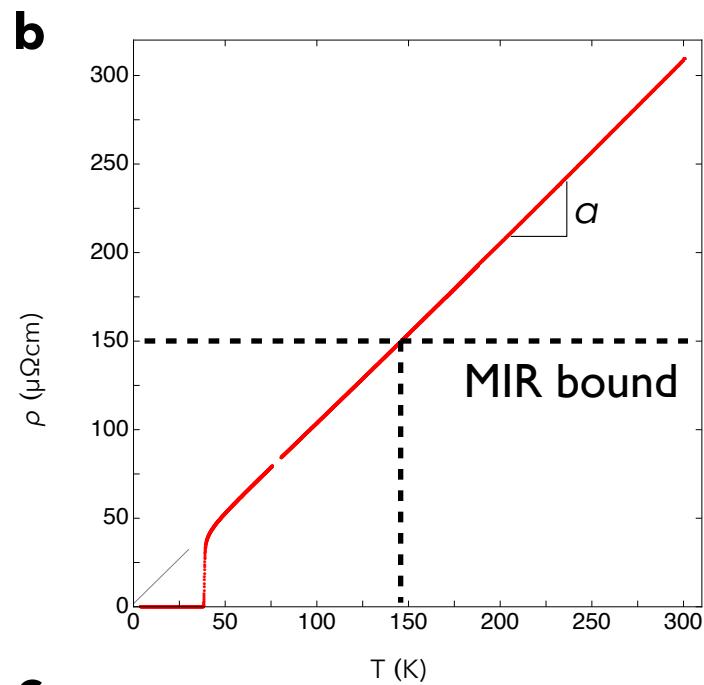
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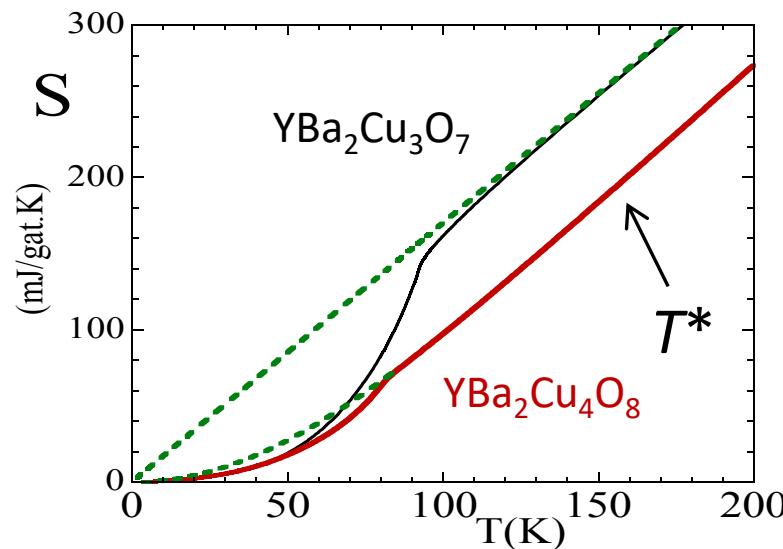
Intercept at  $T=0$  is at  $\rho = 0$   
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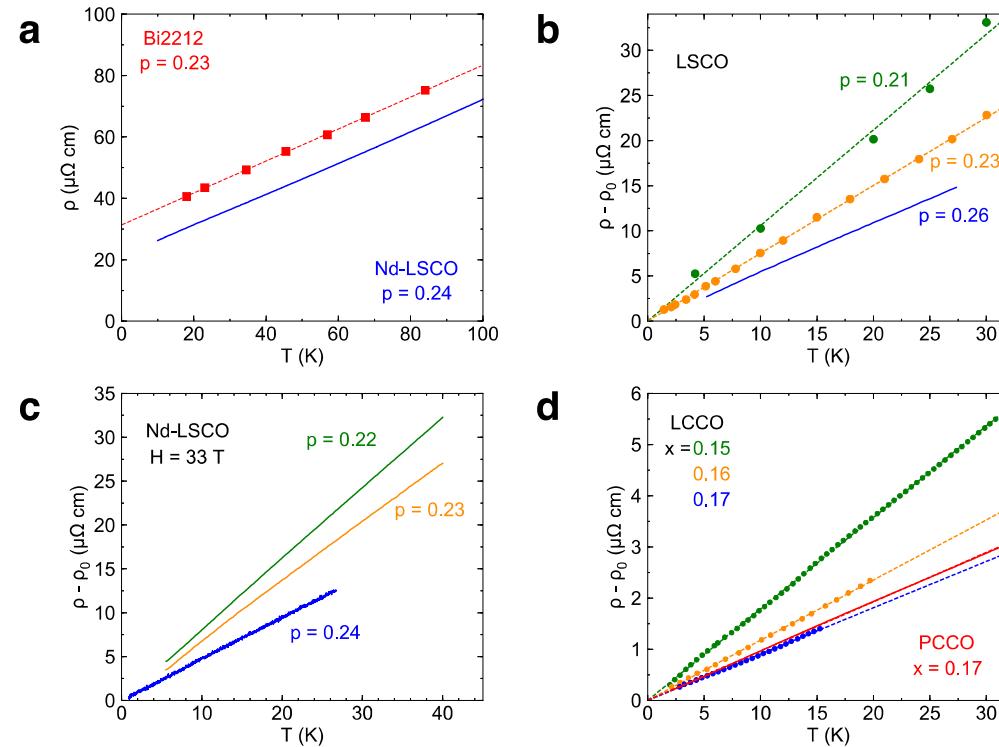
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**Fig. 1 |  $T$ -linear resistivity in five overdoped cuprates.**



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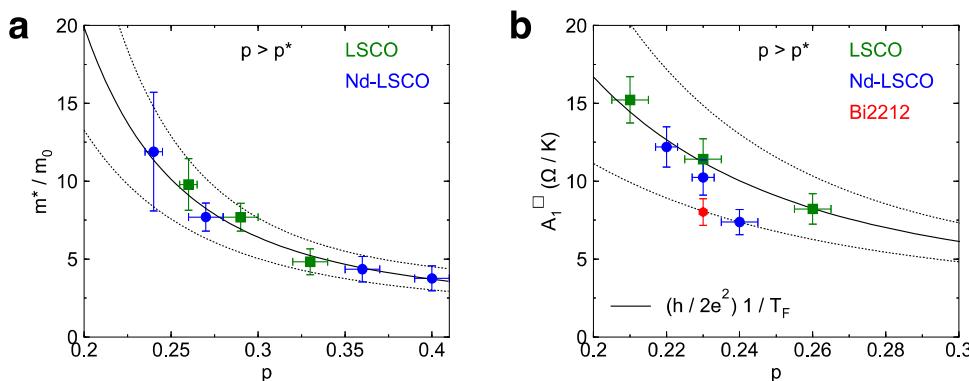


Fig. 3 | Effective mass  $m^*$  and slope of  $T$ -linear resistivity  $A_1^{\square}$  vs  $p$  in hole-doped cuprates.

$$*: \text{2D FL : } \gamma = \left(\frac{\pi}{3} N_A a^2\right) m^*$$

specific heat  $\gamma$  is the measured quantity

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial T} \rho_{DC} \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial T} s(T) = \frac{c_V}{T} \equiv \gamma$$



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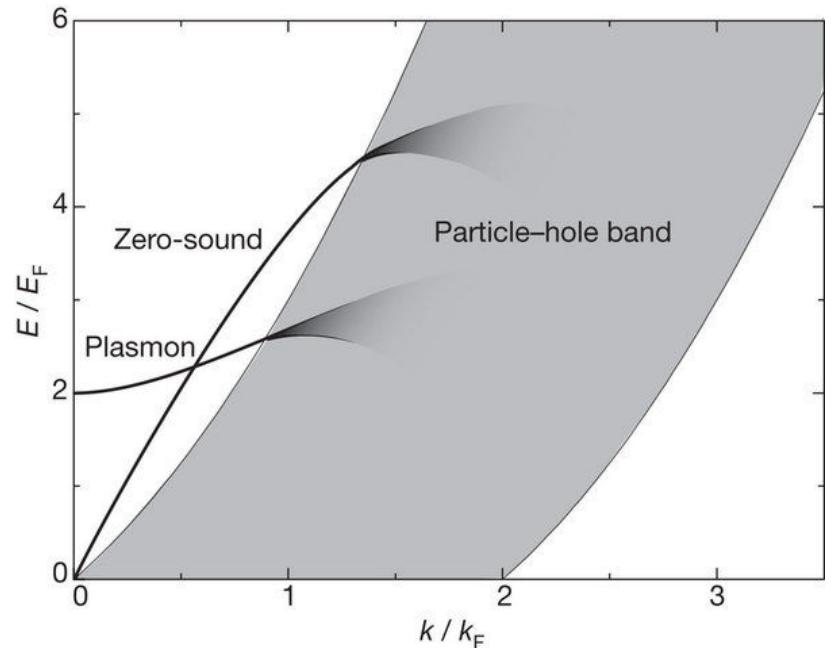
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- Plasmon in Fermi liquids

$$\Pi(\omega, k) = \langle n(\omega, k) n(-\omega, -k) \rangle$$

$$\chi = \frac{\Pi}{1 - V_q \Pi}$$

$$V_q \sim \frac{e^2}{q^2} \quad \Pi \sim q^2 + \dots$$

Plasmon gap  $e^2$



- Can be deduced from dielectric response

$$\chi \sim -\text{Im} \frac{1}{\epsilon(\mathbf{q}, \omega)}$$

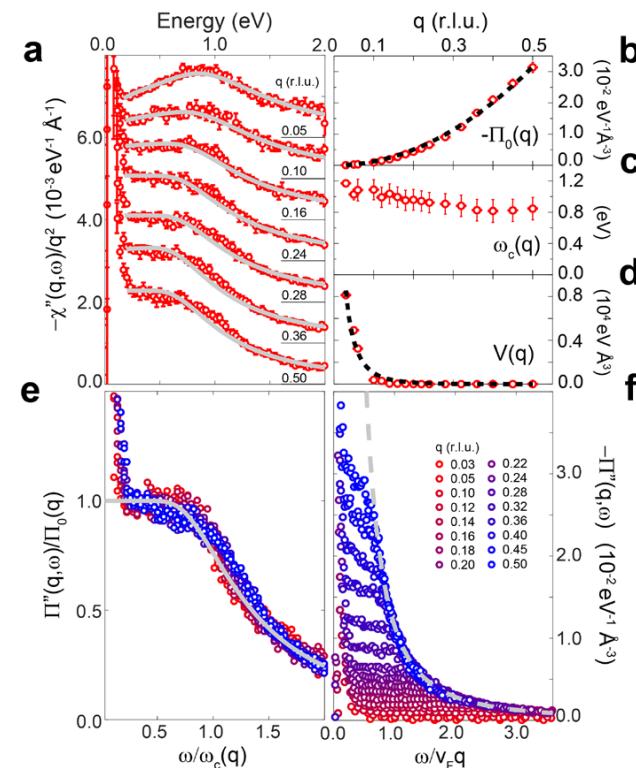
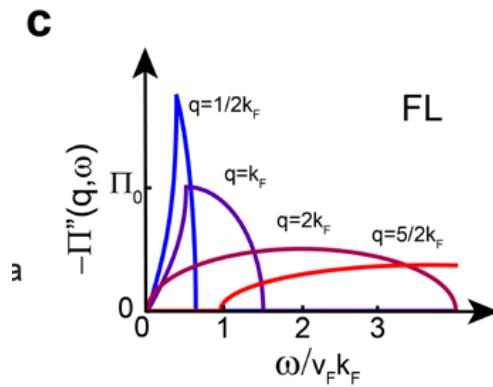
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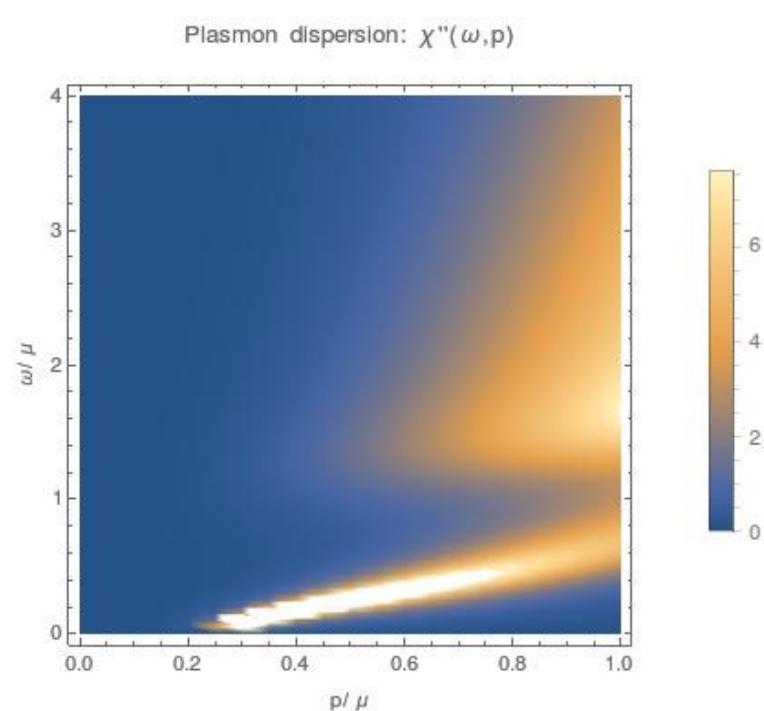
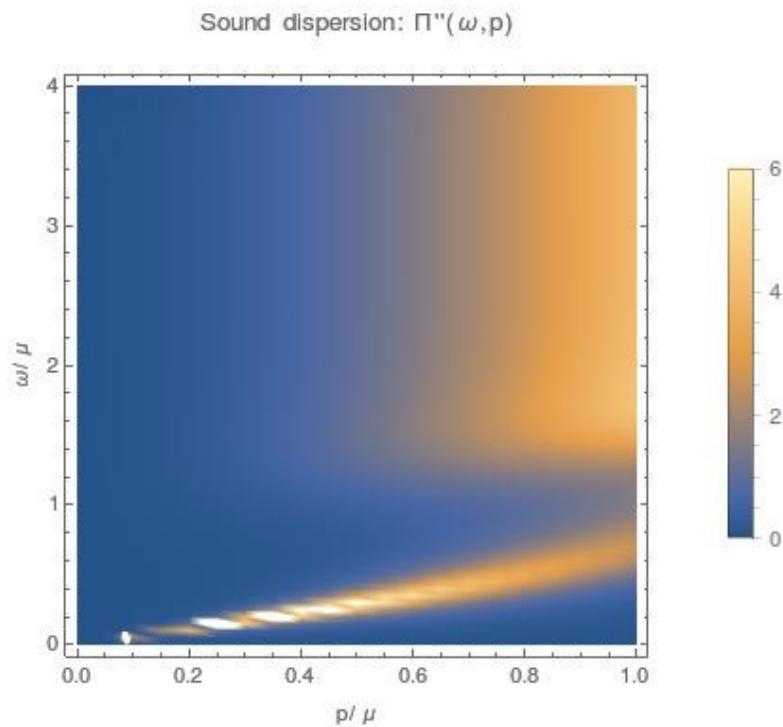
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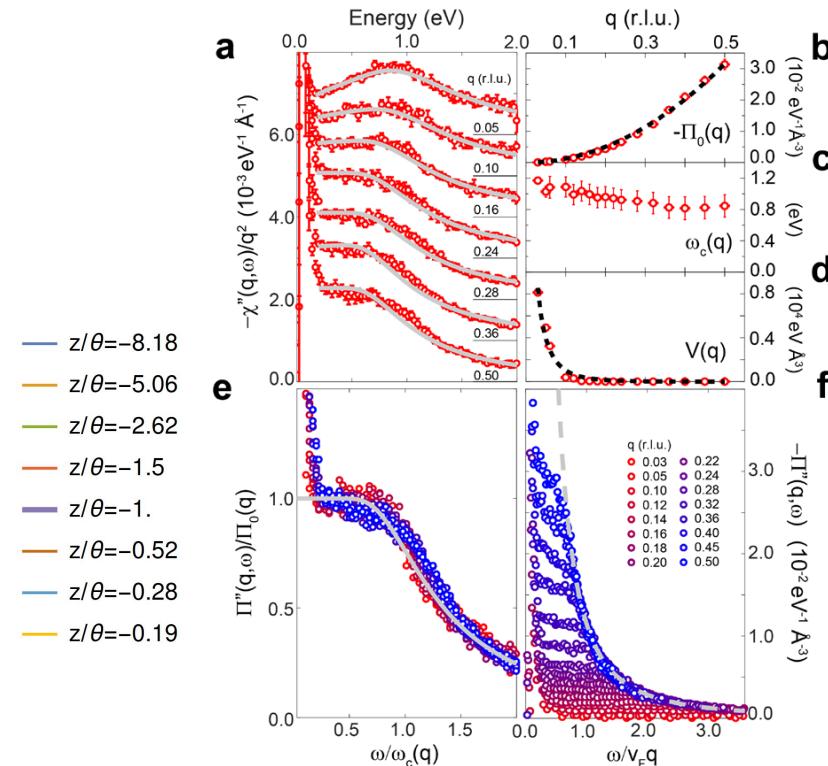
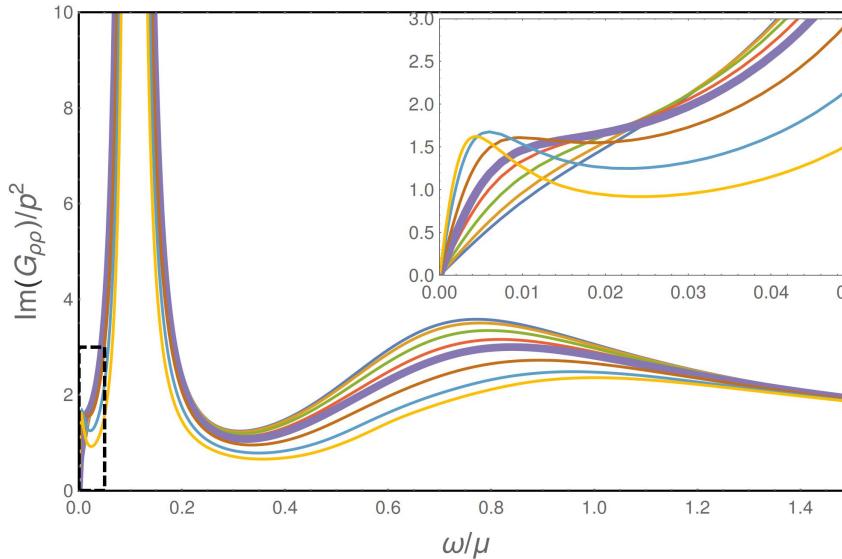


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Plasmon width should know about quantum critical sector

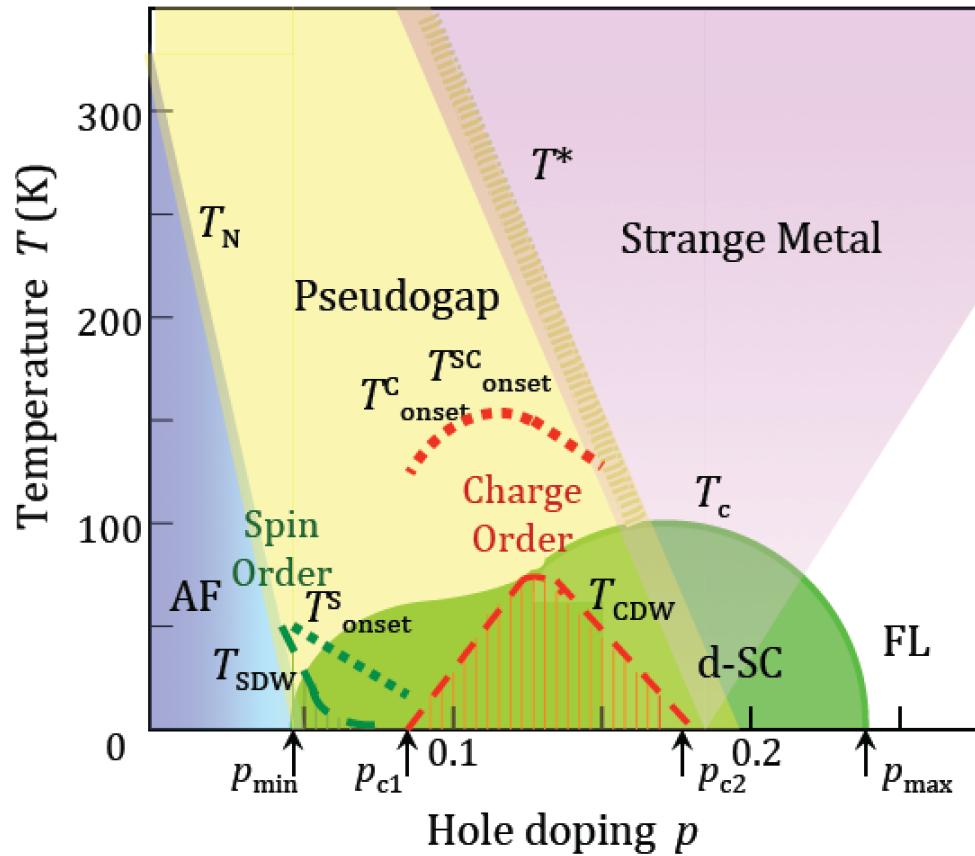
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- Towards experimental strange metals from Holography
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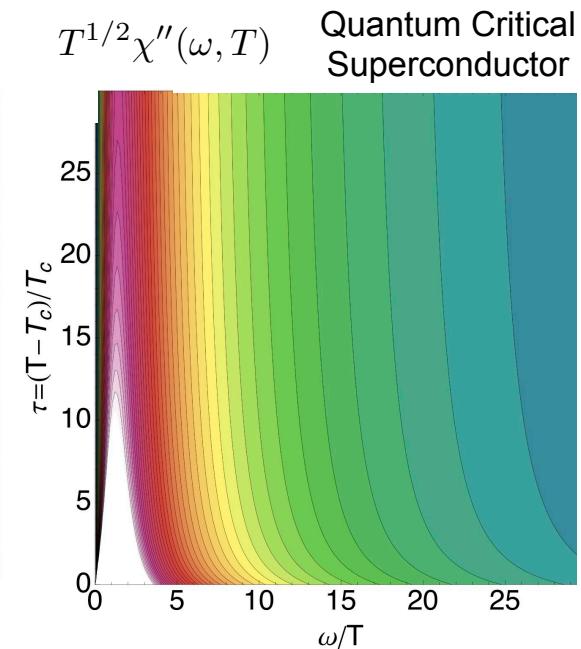
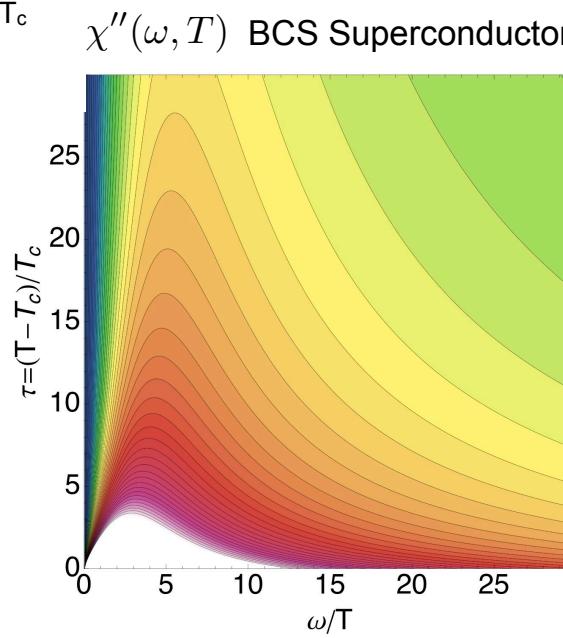
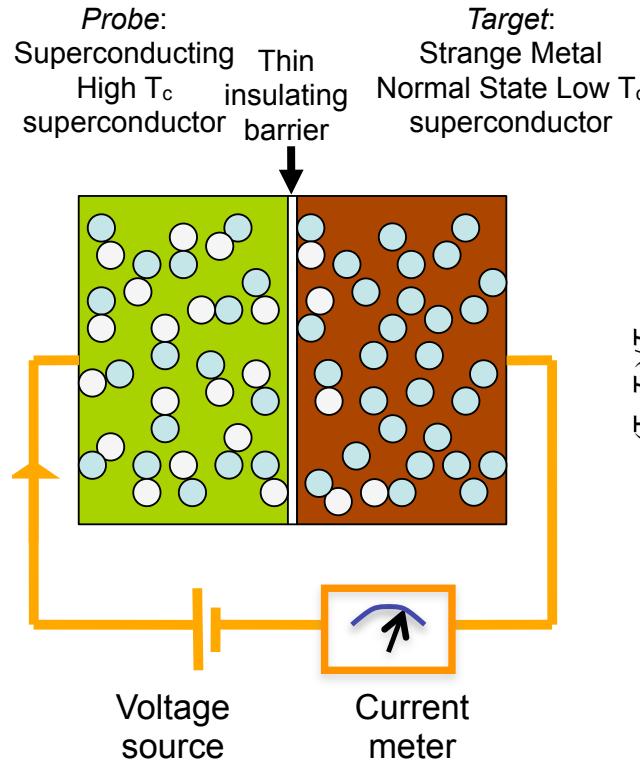
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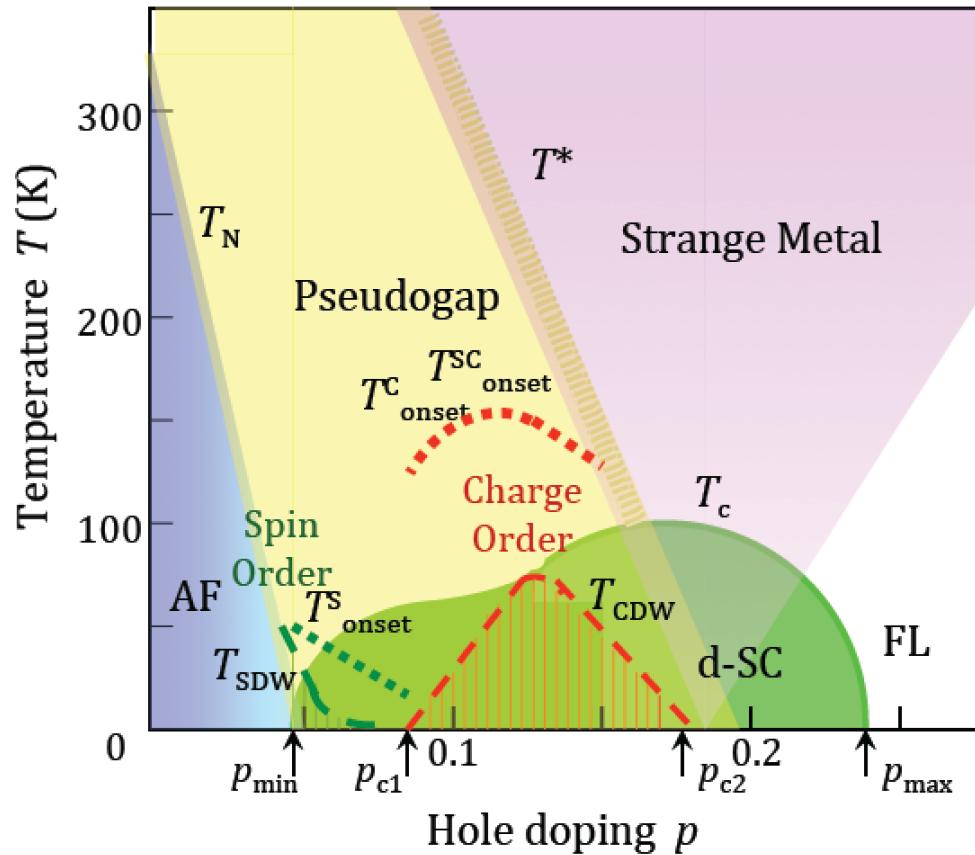
- Order parameter susceptibility
  - Non-canonical scaling dimension
  - Emergence from criticality

$$\Delta = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 L^2}$$

$$\chi(\omega) = \text{Im}G_R(\omega) = \langle \mathcal{O}^\dagger(\omega)\mathcal{O}(0) \rangle$$



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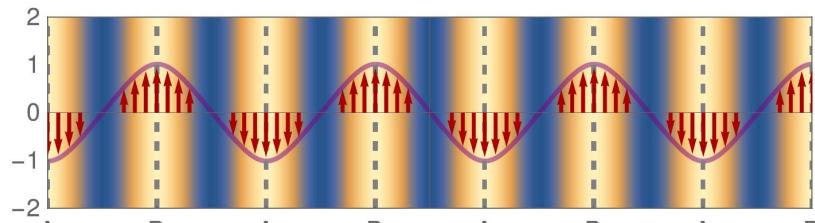


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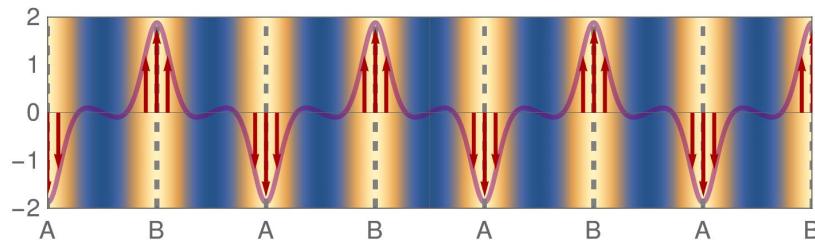
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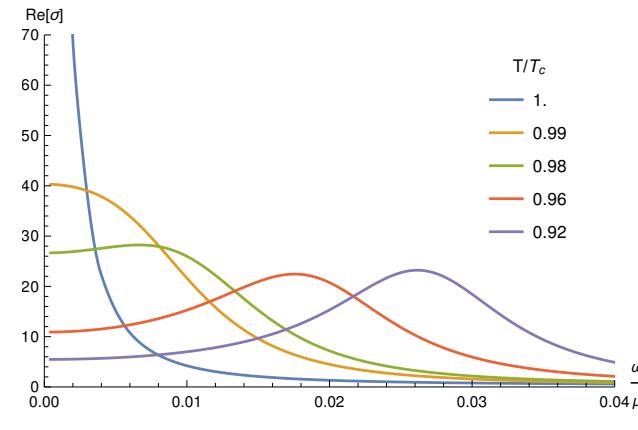
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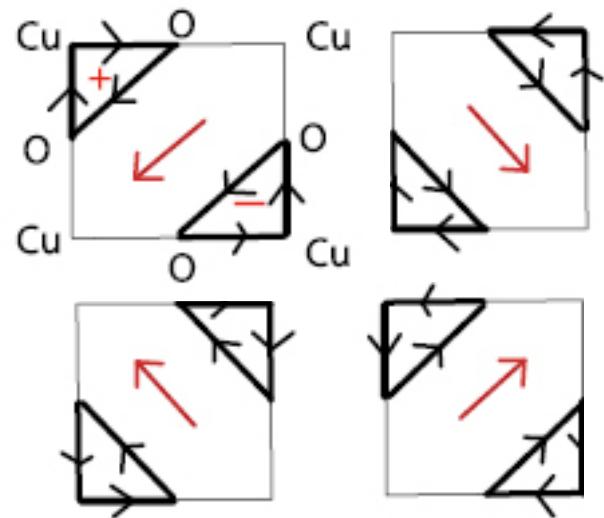
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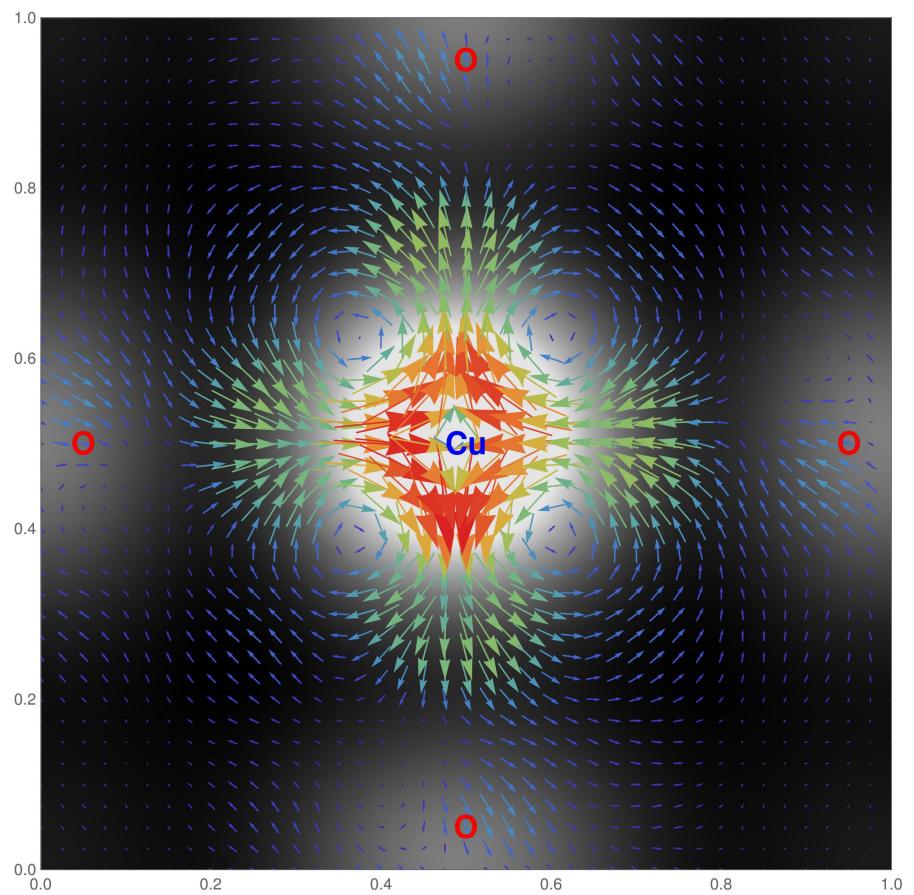
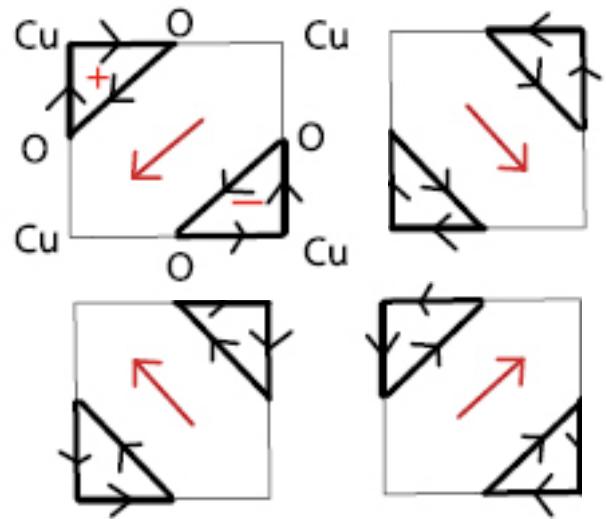
In holography charge density wave are naturally  
“intertwined” with loop current order

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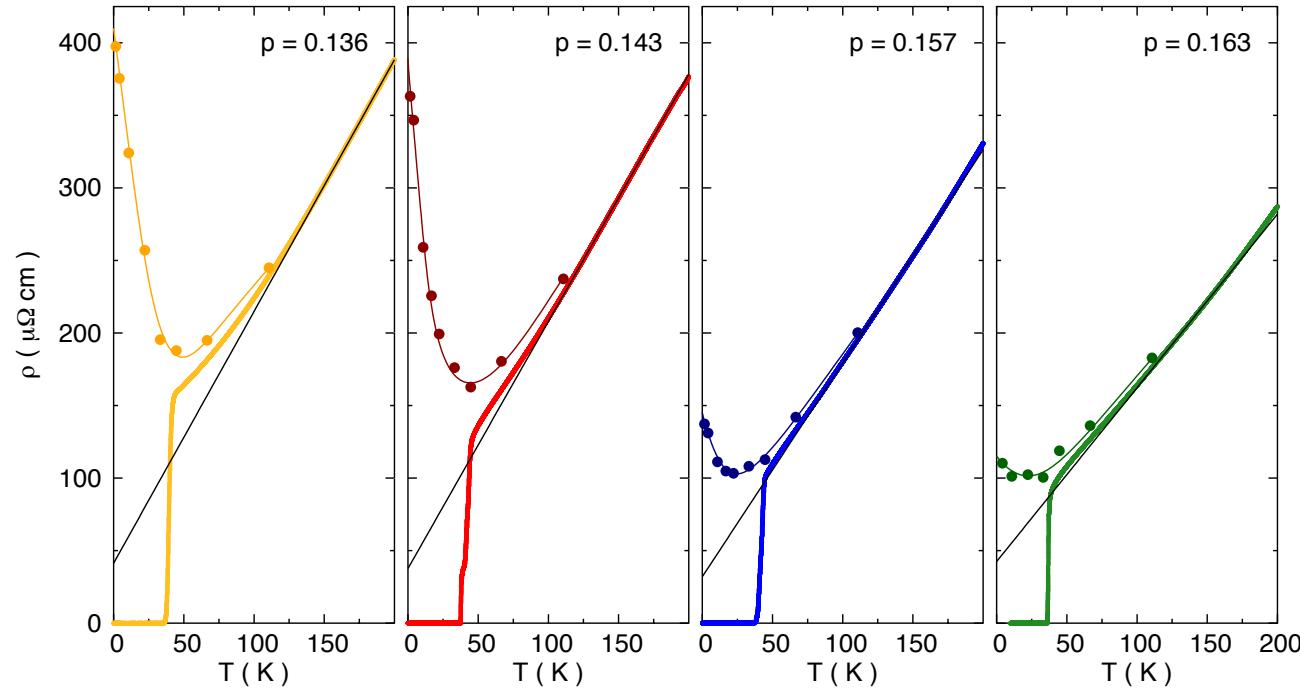
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# Origin of the metal-to-insulator crossover in cuprate superconductors

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- Onset of insulating phase is “mild”
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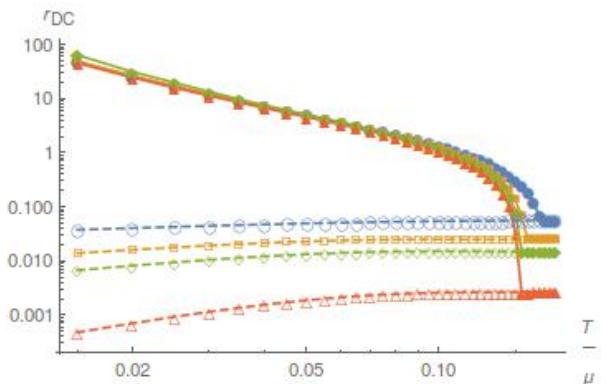
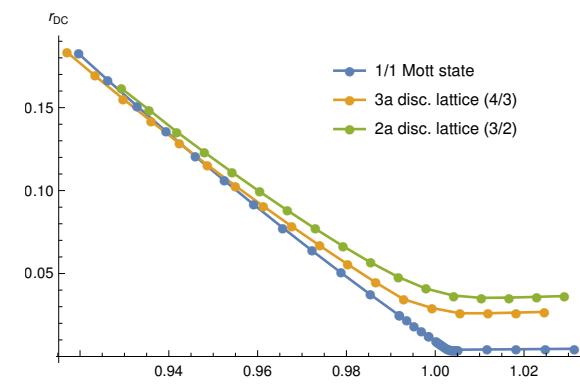
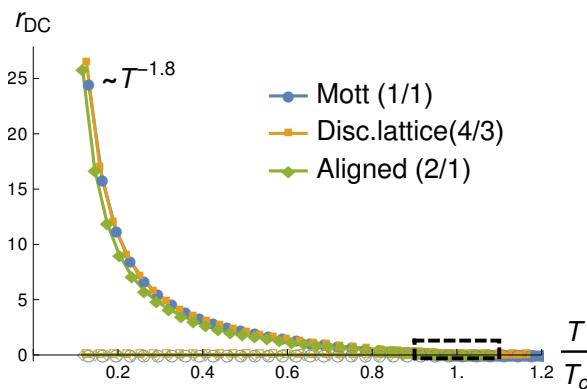


Figure 2: DC resistivity for various locked states. Left panel: linear-linear plot near the phase transition, Right panel: Log-log plot. The power law tail is seen at low temperature, signalling the remaining near horizon degrees of freedom, which are not gapped.

Lifshitz quantum critical theory supported by an ordered state

Inverse Matthiessen law: two independent sectors



## Recent experimental results on strange metals

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|----------|--|---|
| 2015     | ● Scaling in ARPES linewidths  | Reber, Dessau et al<br>Bawden, van Heumen, Golden et al |
| 2015,'18 | ● Gap dynamics of superconductor   | Kondo et al;<br>Reber, Li, Dessau et al                 |
| 2015     | ● Transport without quasiparticles <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Universal linear-in-T resistivity</li></ul> |   |
| 2017     | ■ with zero intercept  | Latest: Boebinger, Shekhter et al                       |
| 2018     | ■ proportional to entropy (specific heat)  | Legros, Taillefer et al                                 |
| 2017     | ● Density fluctuations and anomalous plasmon physics   | Abbamonte et al   |
|          | ● Charge density wave Mott insulator   |   |
| 2014     | ■ doping independent commensuration  | Davis and many others                                   |
| 2016     | ■ mild insulator transition  | Latest: Taillefer et al                                 |
|          | ● ...  |   |

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- Experiment: excitations around the FS do not determine transport.
- Experiment: quantum critical sector exhibits scaling and controls decay widths
- Experiment: particle intuition does not apply.

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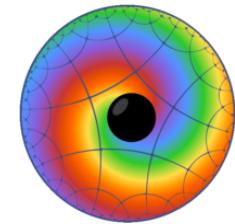
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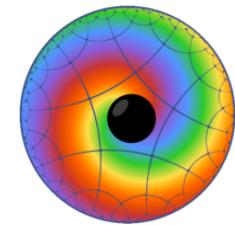


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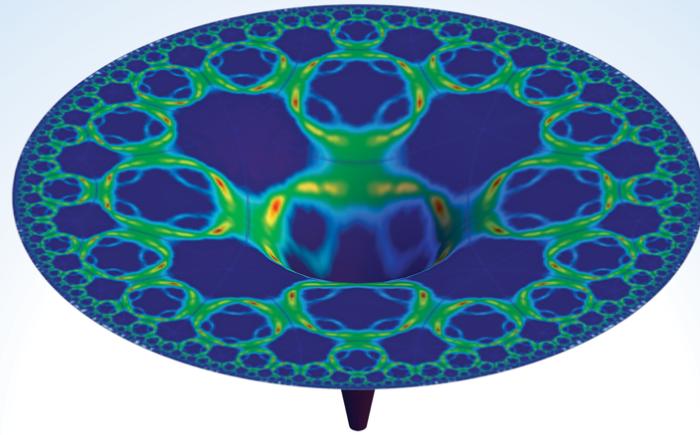
There is a real possibility and opportunity that it can explain  
puzzling observations in actual experiment.

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