



Charge orders and Strange metals in Cuprates

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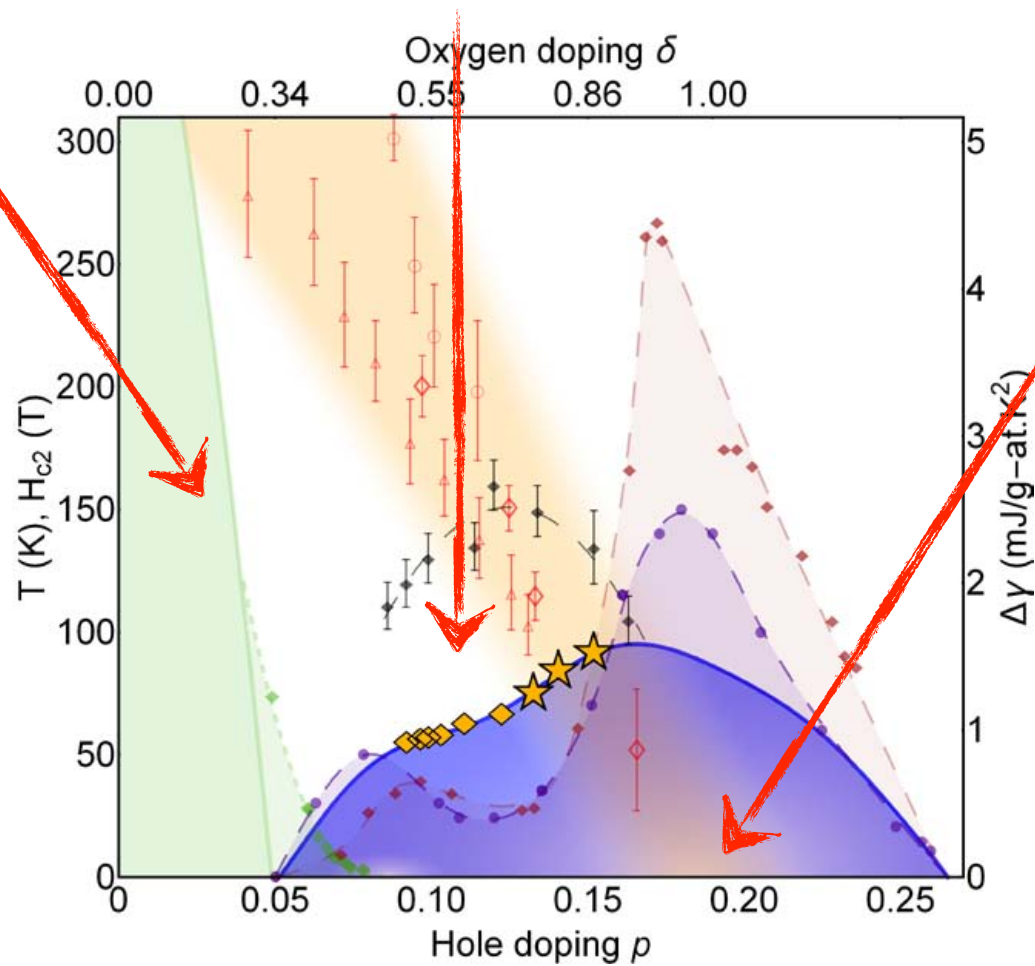


Konstantin Borisovich Efetov (April 29, 1950 – August 11, 2021) was a Russian/German theoretical physicist, recognized leader in the theory of condensed matter, and a teacher of a number of actively working theorists.

Mott transition

Fluctuations

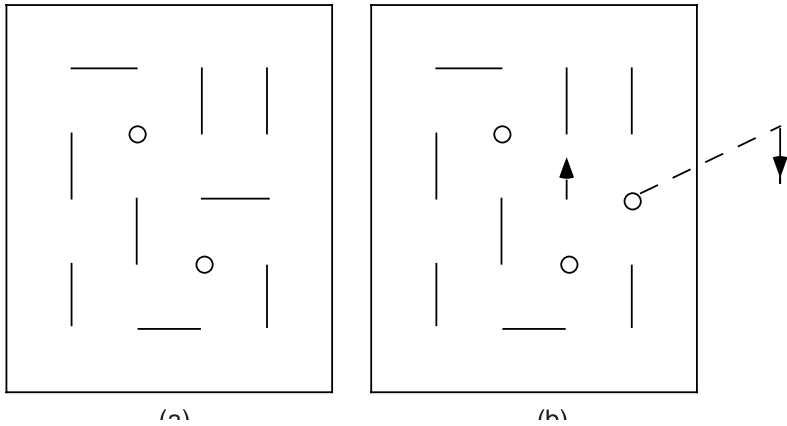
QCP under the dome



Ramshaw, 2015

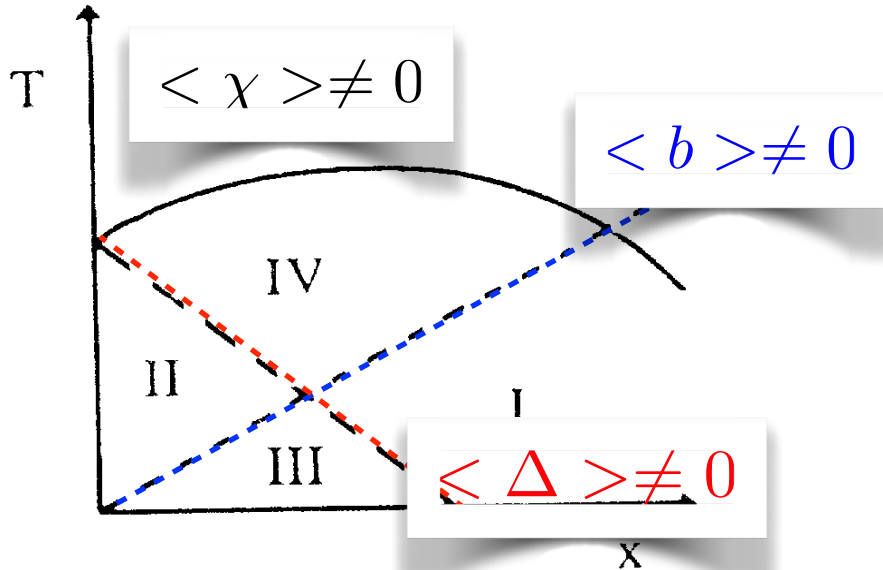
1. The context of strong coupling : doping a Mott insulator

Resonating Valence Bond (RVB) : pairs form and fluctuate



$$\chi_{ij} = \sum_{\sigma} \langle f_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} f_{j\sigma} \rangle,$$

$$\Delta_{ij} = \langle f_{i\uparrow} f_{j\downarrow} - f_{i\downarrow} f_{j\uparrow} \rangle.$$



$$c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} = f_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} b_i$$

Spinon

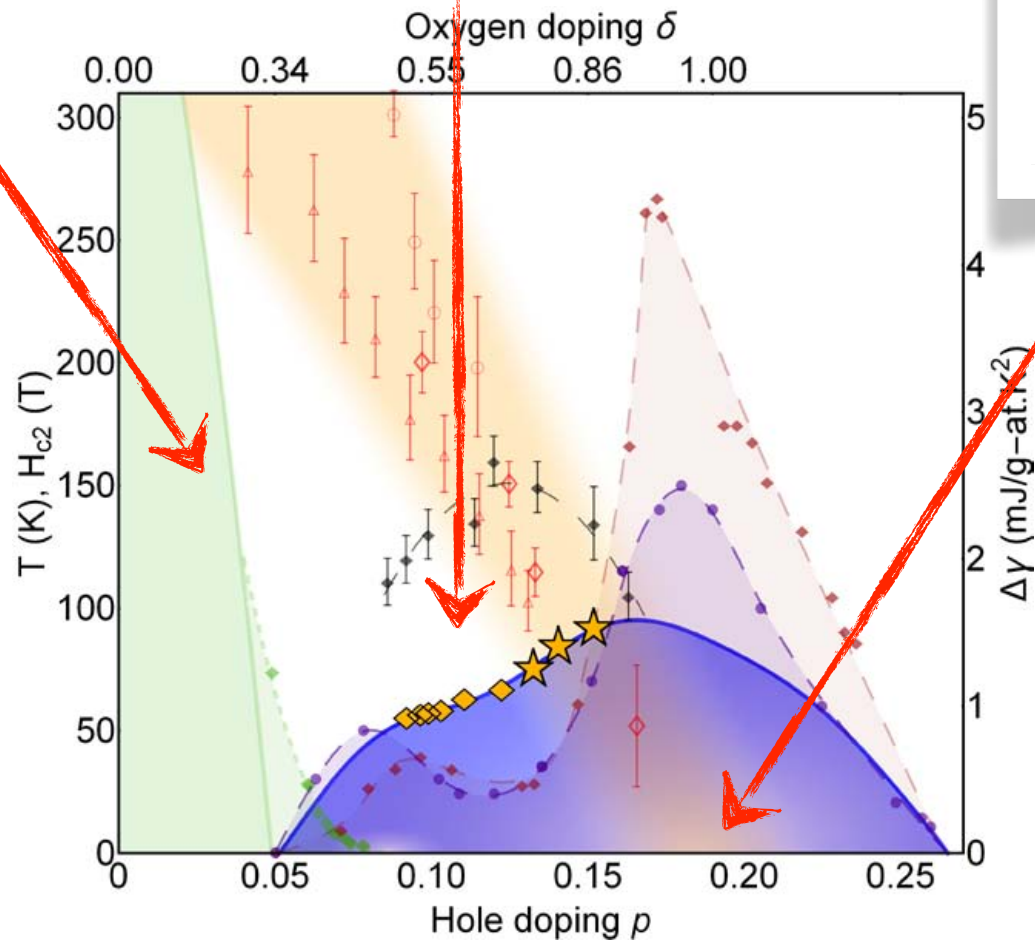
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Anderson, Lee, Wen,
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$$f_{i\uparrow}^{\dagger} f_{i\uparrow} + f_{i\downarrow}^{\dagger} f_{i\downarrow} + b_i^{\dagger} b_i = 1.$$

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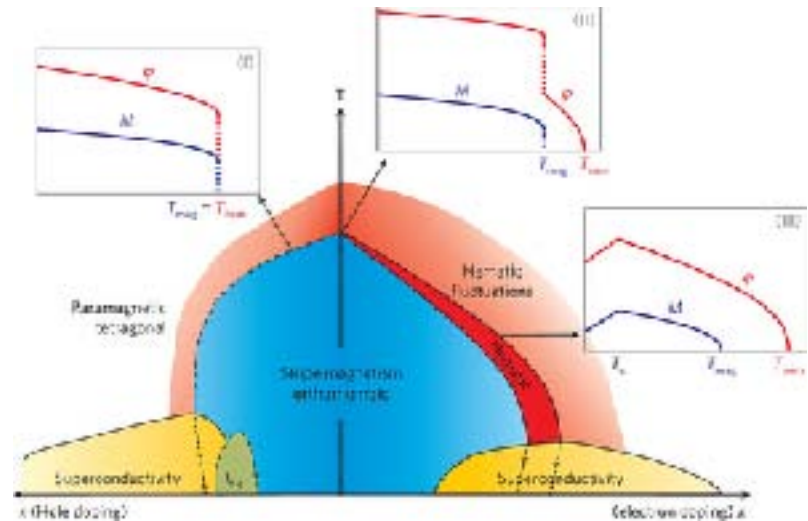
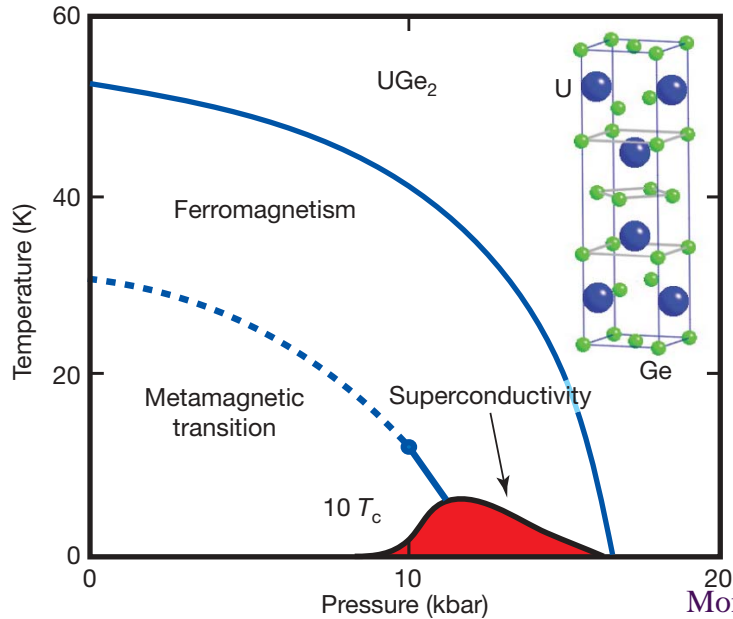
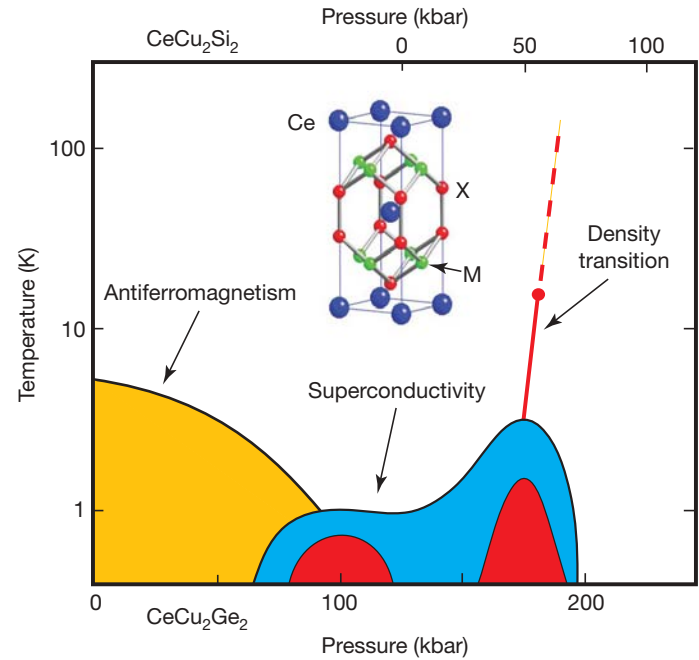
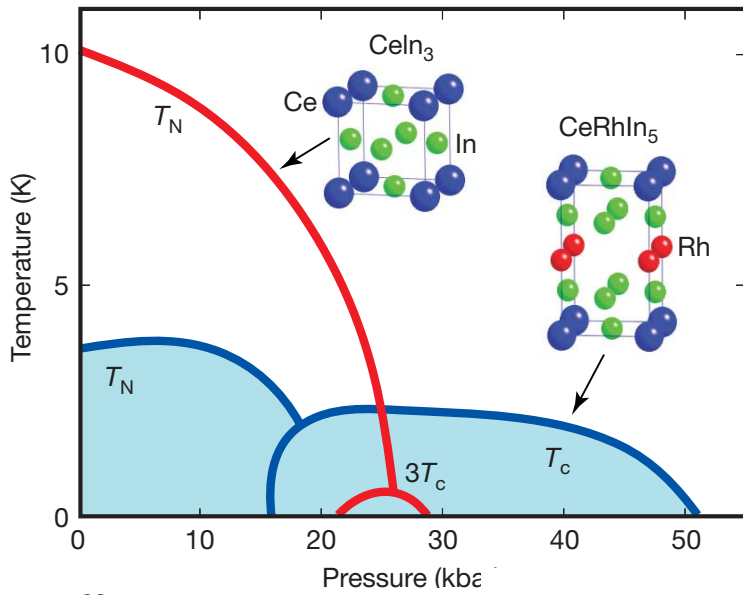
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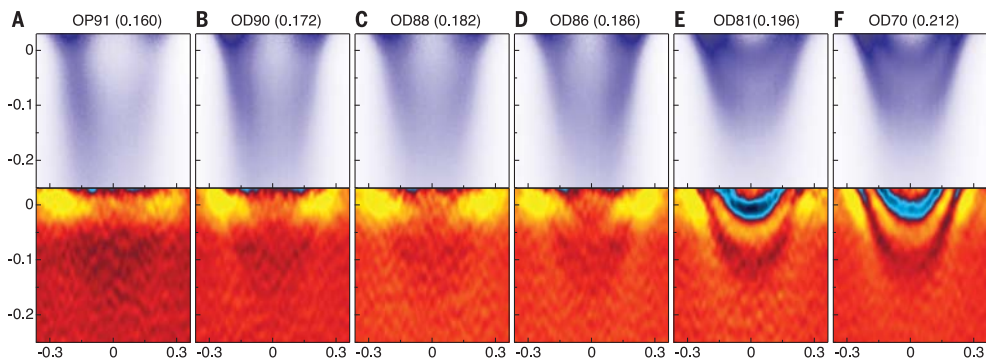
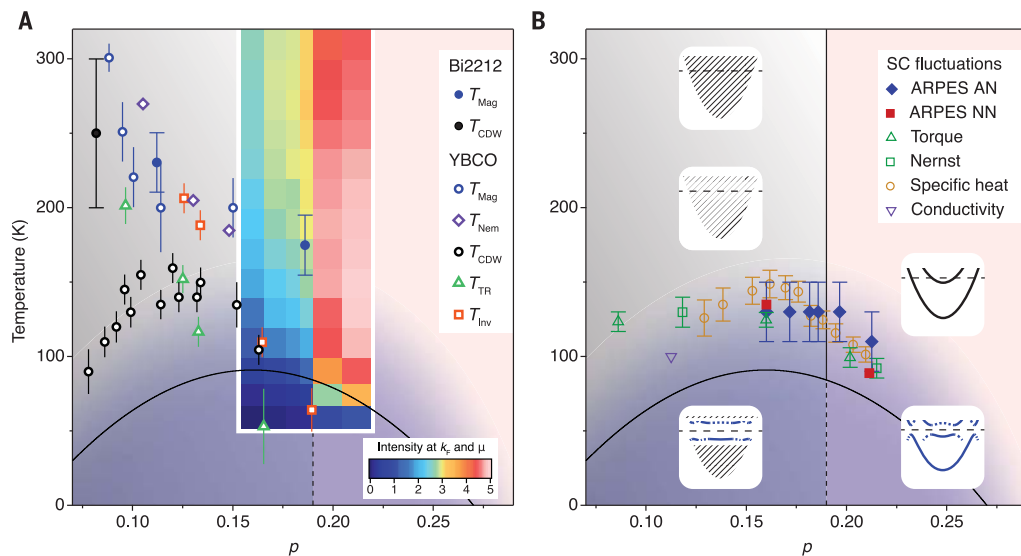
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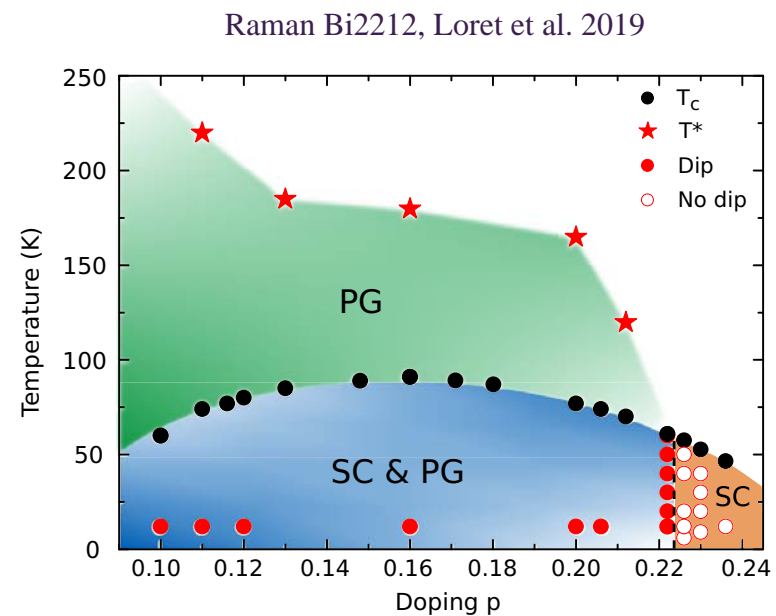
2. QCP under the SC dome



QCP questionned : an abrupt change at p^* ?



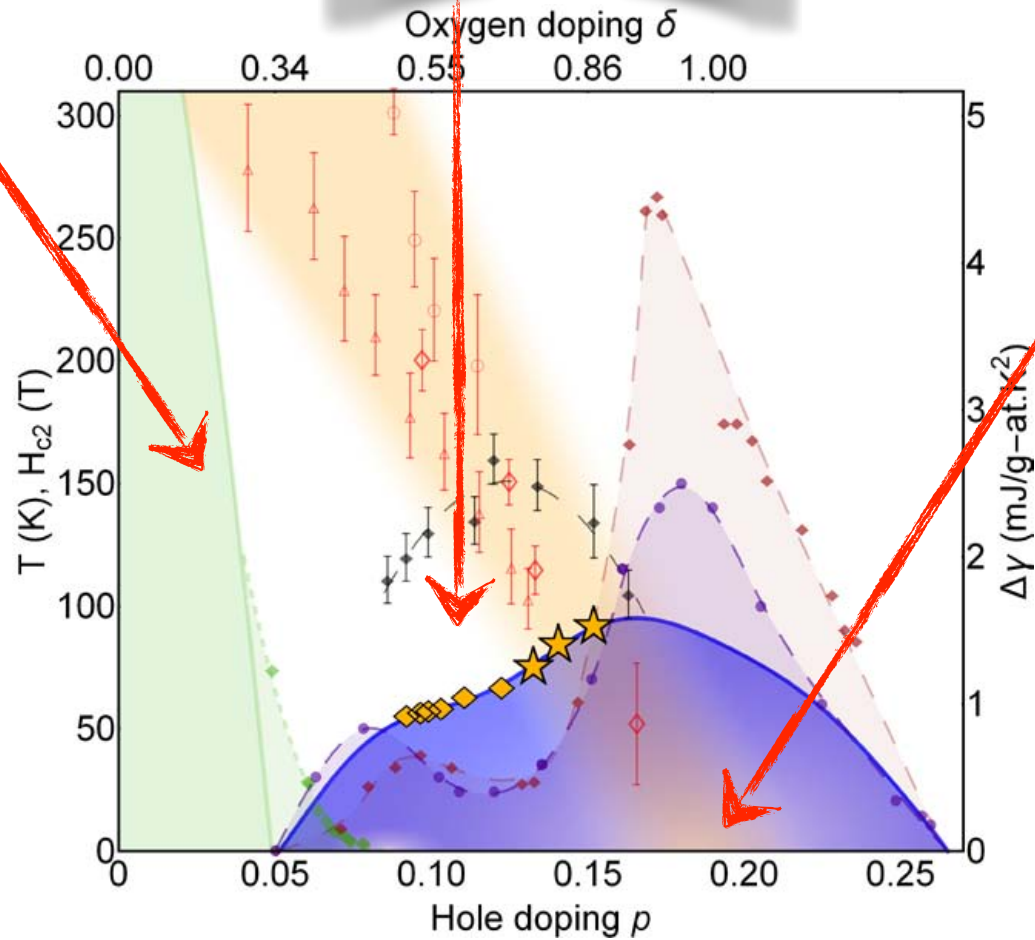
ARPES Bi2212, Chen et al. 2019



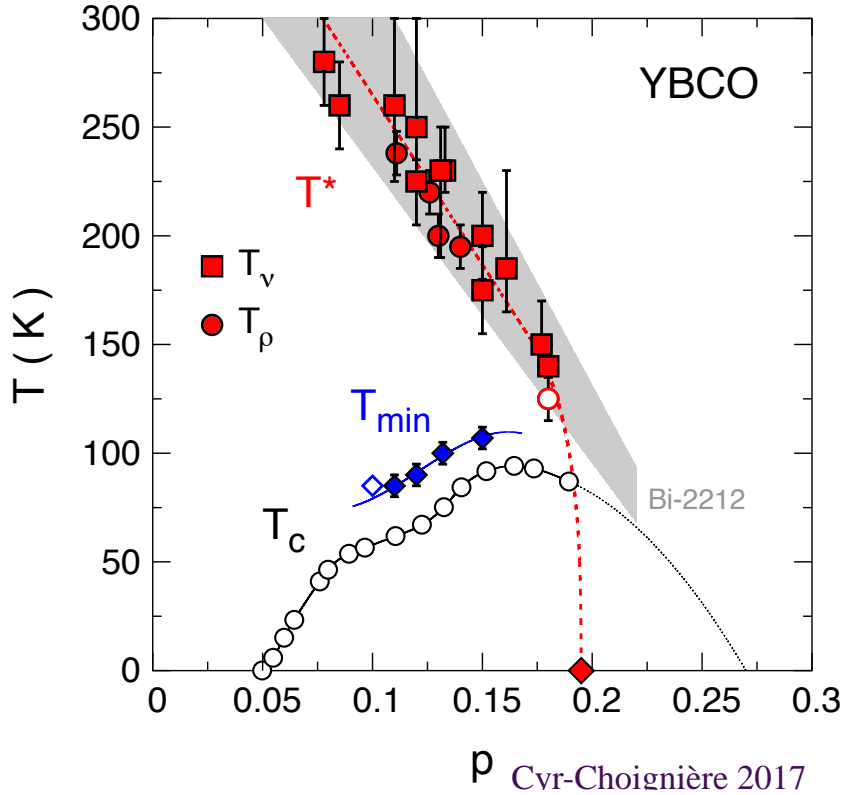
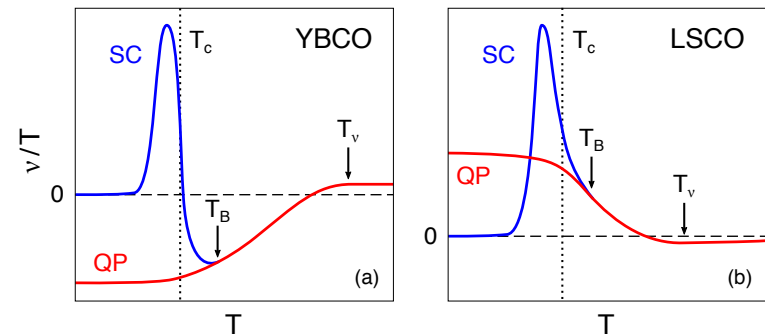
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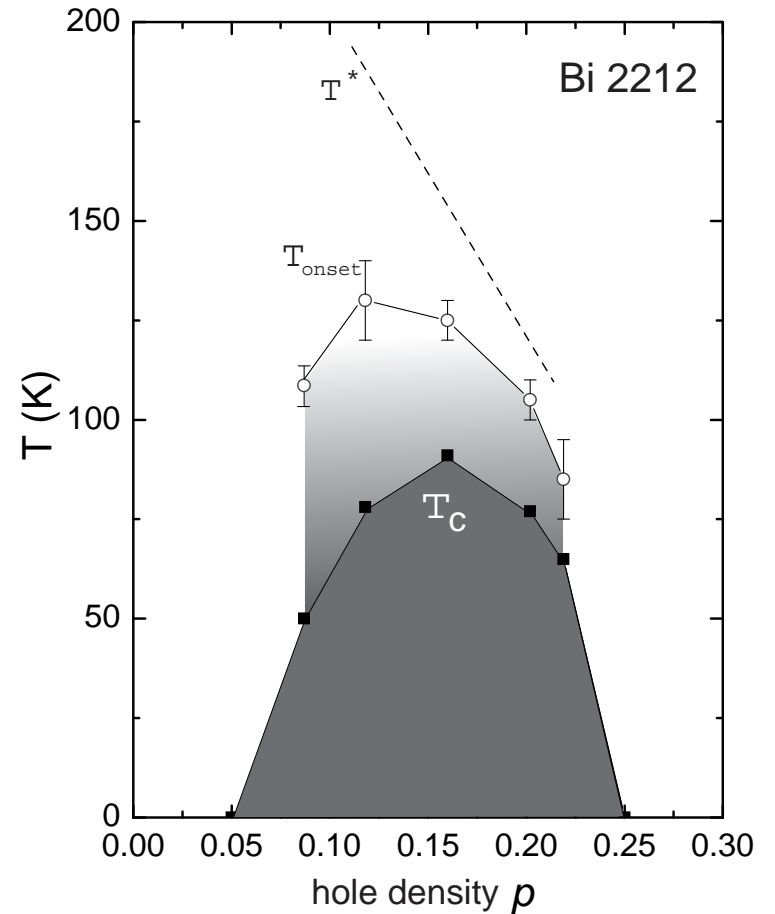
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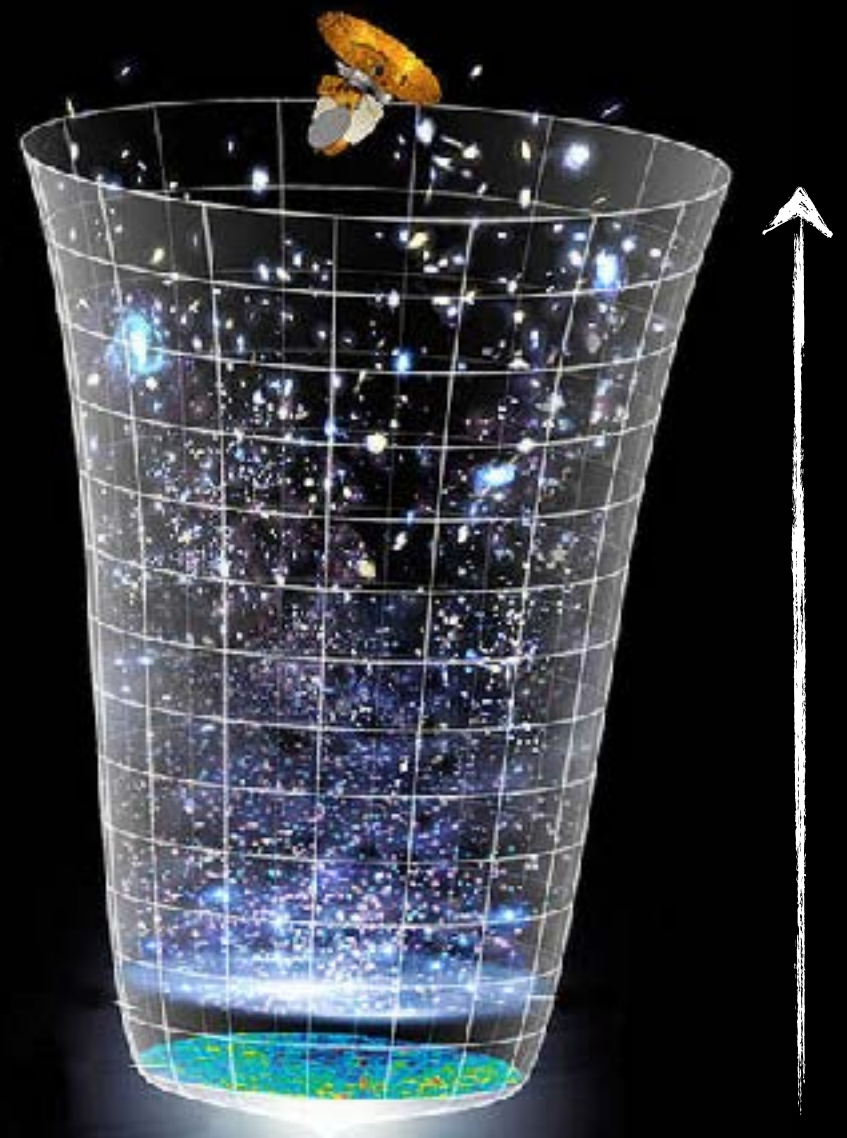


Nernst effect : resolved controversy

Amplitude
Fluctuations

Phase
fluctuations

Condensate

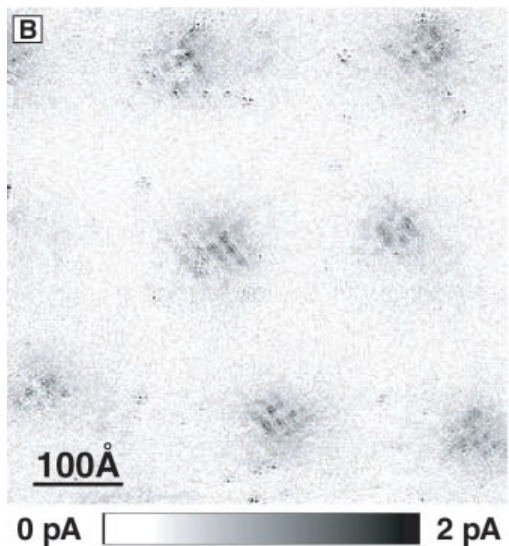
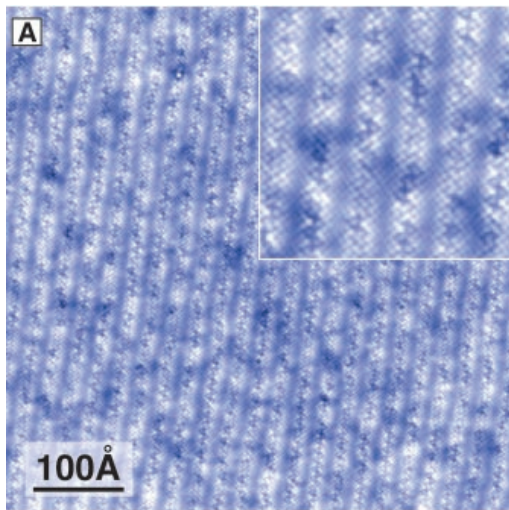


Recent Exp. developments

Charge Order

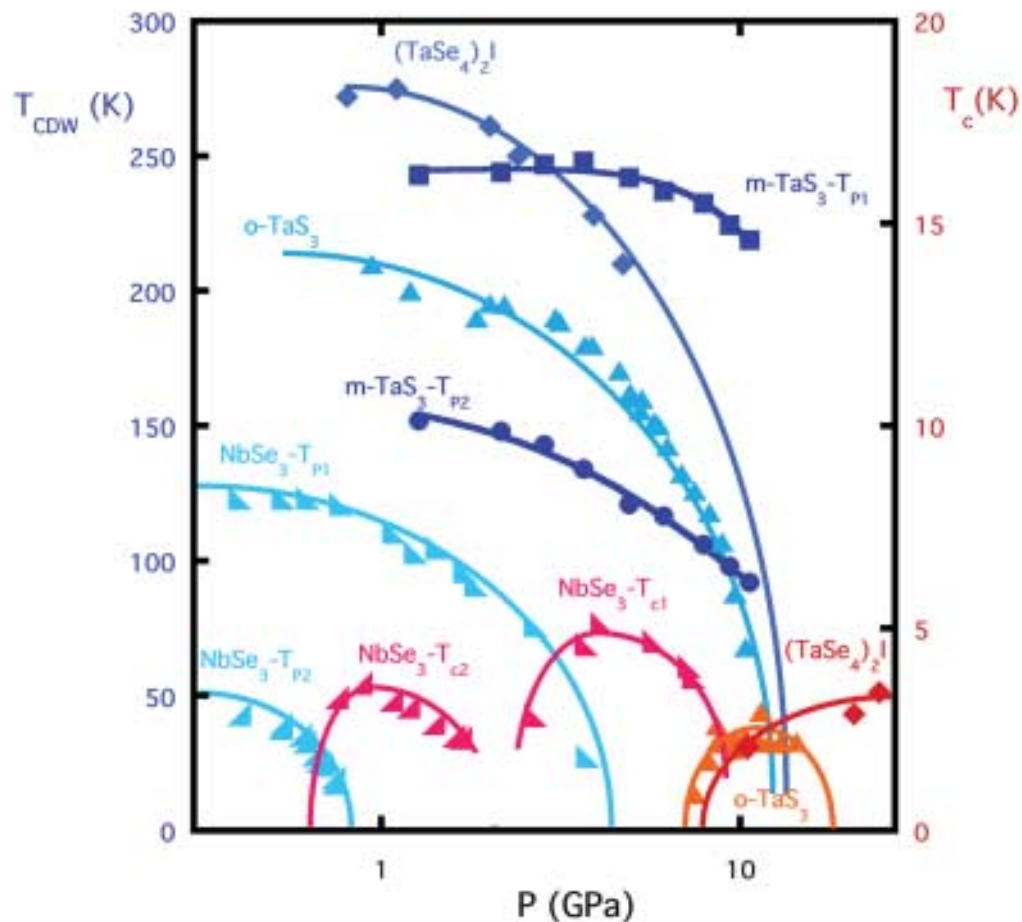
Presence of competing orders

Charge modulations in strong competition with SC state



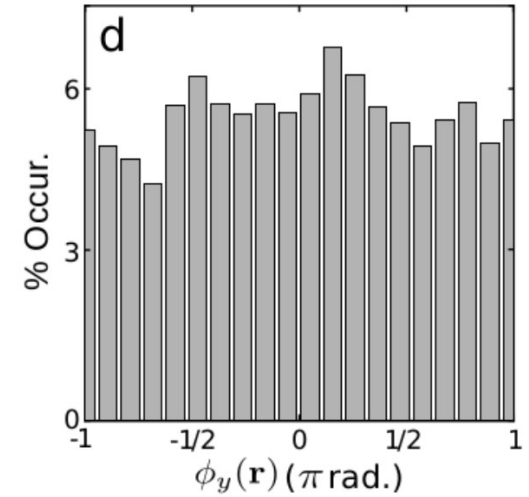
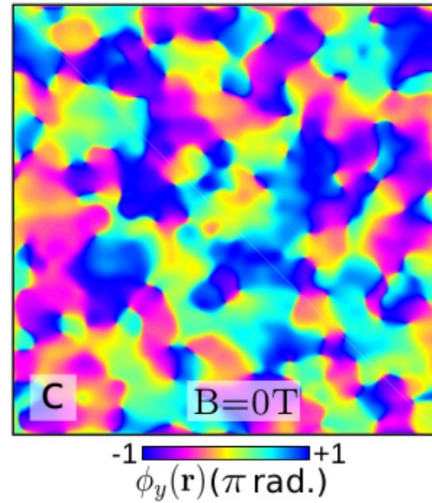
Hoffman, 2002

Kapitulnik, 2002

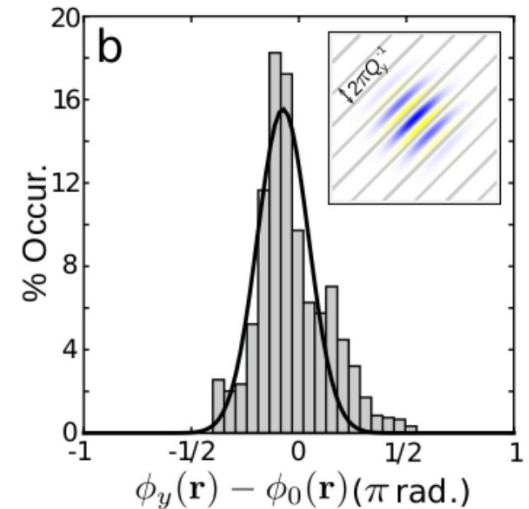
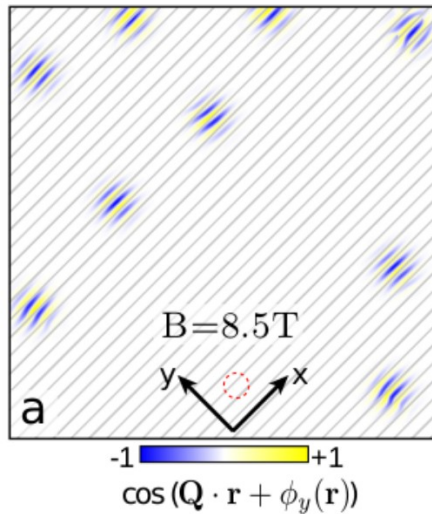


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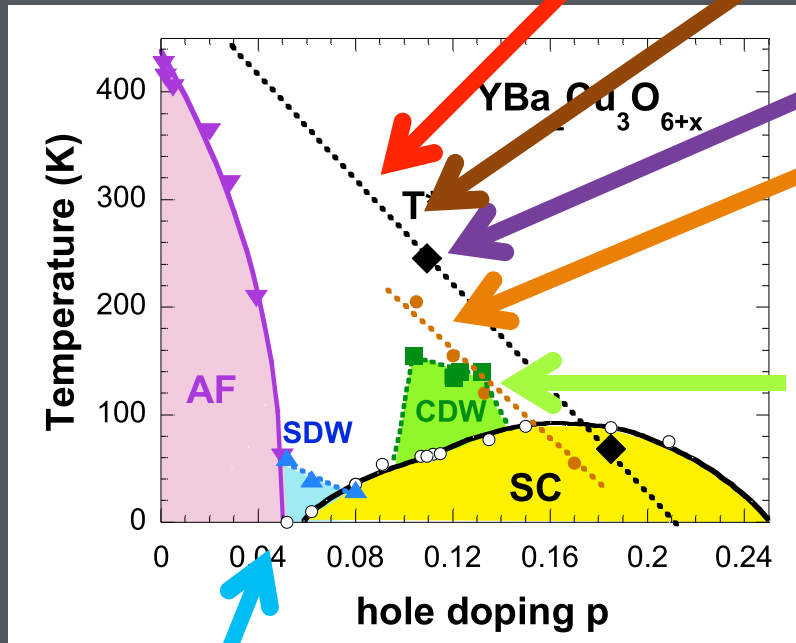
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$B \neq 0 T$ centered distribution :



Charge order Landscape



- Nematicity
- Inversion symmetry
- loop currents
- anomalous Kerr effect $T_k < T^*$

Xia, PRL 2008

Incipient CDW – $T_m < T^*$

- $Q^* = (\delta, 0)$ and $(0, \delta)$ with $\delta \sim 0.3$

Chang, Nature Phys. 2012

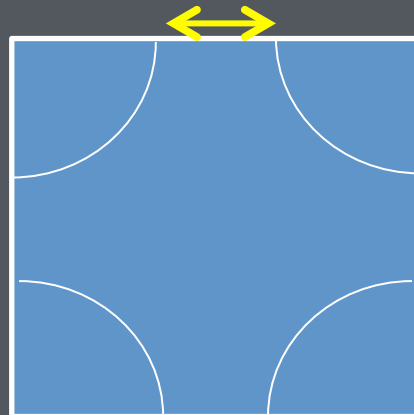
Ghiringhelli, Science 2012

glassy SDW : $T_{SDW} \ll T^*$
(neutron, μ SR, RMN)

Haug, New J. Phys. 2010

T. Wu et al., PRB 2013

Courtesy Y. Sidis



Stable CDW under magnetic field & Fermi surface reconstruction
(NMR, quantum oscillation, ultrasound)

D. LeBoeuf, Nature 2007.

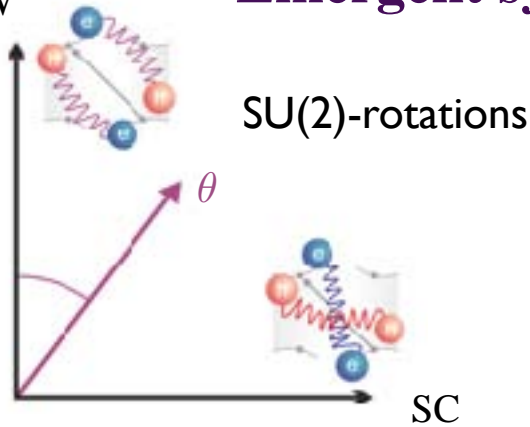
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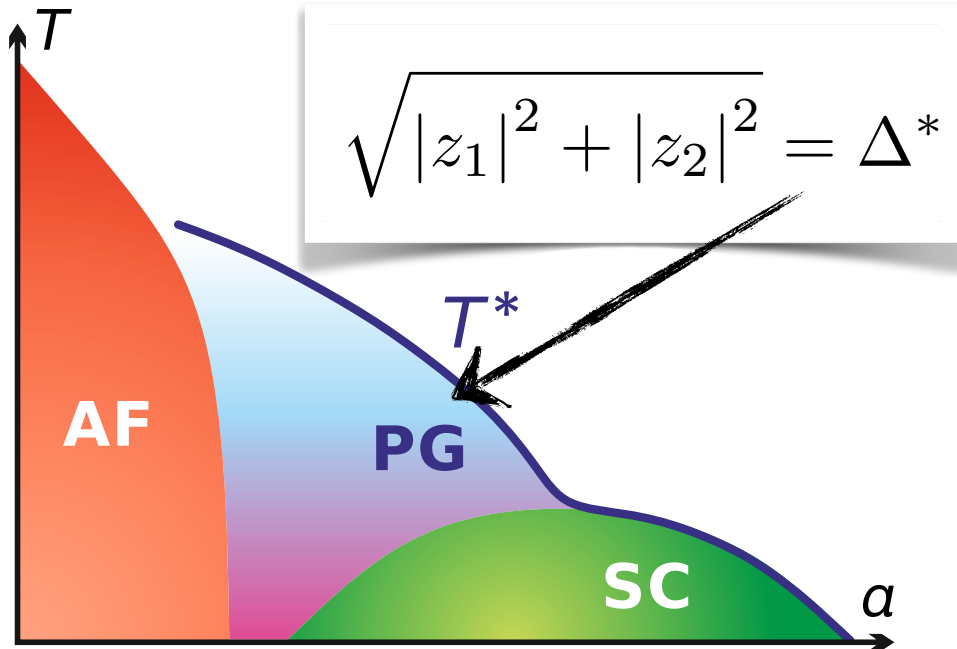
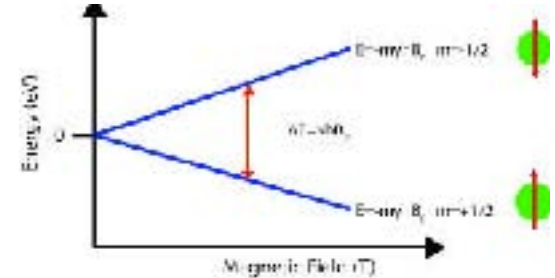
Emergent symmetry

Emergent symmetries in the under-doped regime

QDW



Degenerescence of levels:
accidental?
symmetry related?



At some energy scale in the phase diagrams SC and Charge sectors are related by and SU(2) symmetry

Sachdev et al (2013)
Efetov, Meier, CP (2013)

Pseudo-gap from quantum criticality

AFM QCP in d=2

K.B.Efetov, H.Meier, C.P. Nat. Phys. **9**, (2013)

Dispersion linearized around 8 hot spots

$$\mathcal{L} = \chi^\dagger \left(\partial_\tau + \varepsilon(-i\hbar\nabla) + \lambda\vec{\phi}\vec{\sigma} \right) \chi \quad \langle \phi_{\omega, \mathbf{k}}^i \phi_{-\omega, -\mathbf{k}}^j \rangle \propto \frac{\delta_{ij}}{(\omega/v_s)^2 + (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{Q})^2 + a}$$

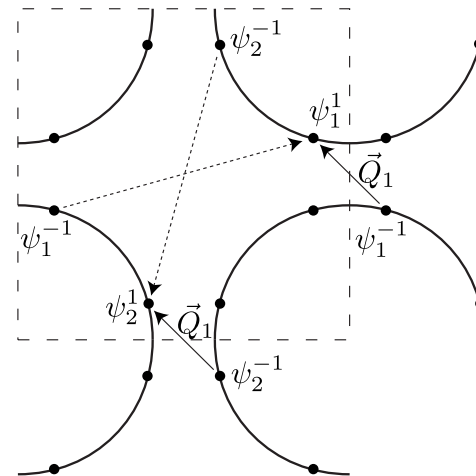
Composite order parameter

$$c_{\mathbf{p}}^{\text{pp}} \left\langle (i\sigma_2)_{\alpha\beta} \psi_{\alpha, \mathbf{p}} \psi_{\beta, -\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle + c_{\mathbf{p}}^{\text{ph}} \left\langle \delta_{\alpha\beta} \psi_{\alpha, \mathbf{p}} \psi_{\beta, -\mathbf{p}}^* \right\rangle,$$

SU(2) symmetry and fluctuations

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_- & \Delta_+ \\ -\Delta_+^* & \Delta_-^* \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad |\Delta_+|^2 + |\Delta_-|^2 = 1$$

M. Metlitsky and S. Sachdev (2010)

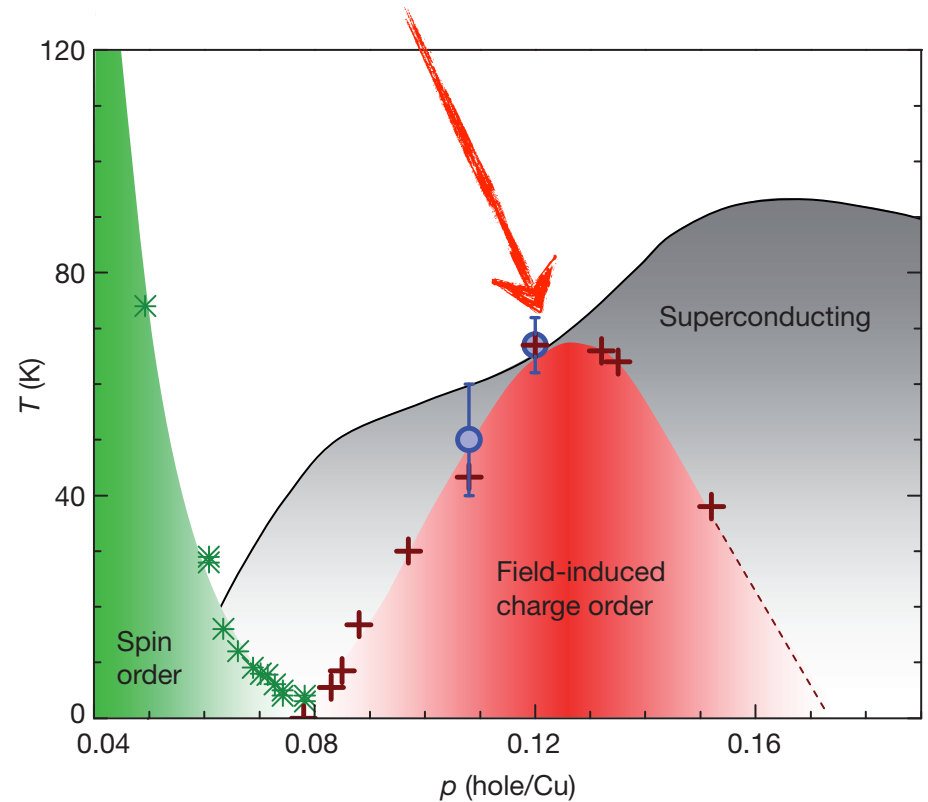
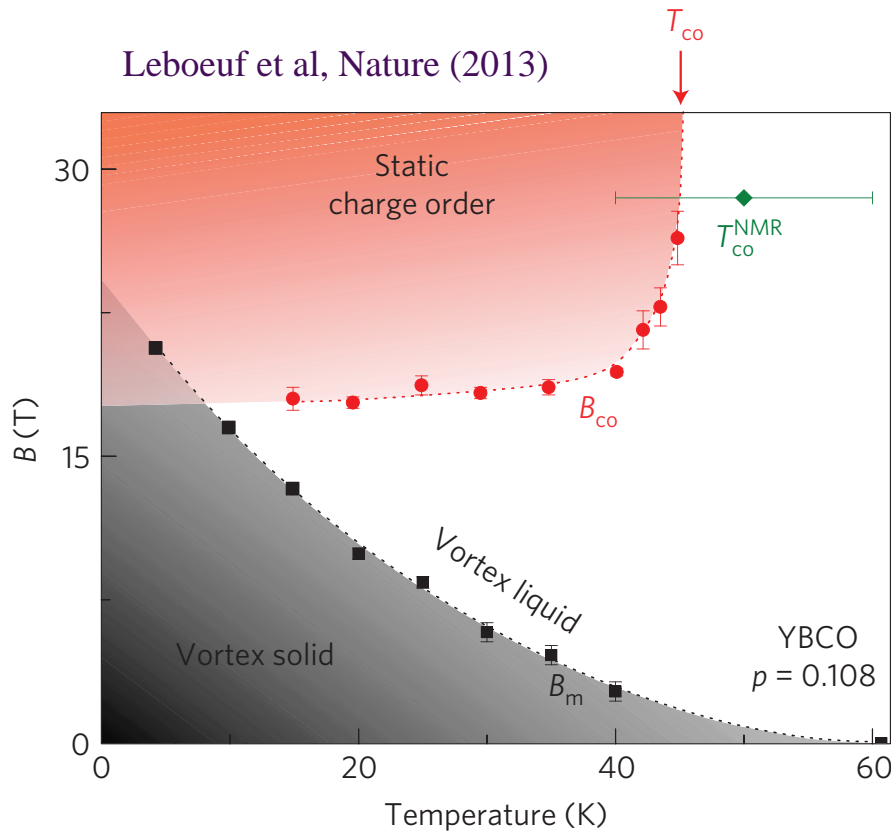


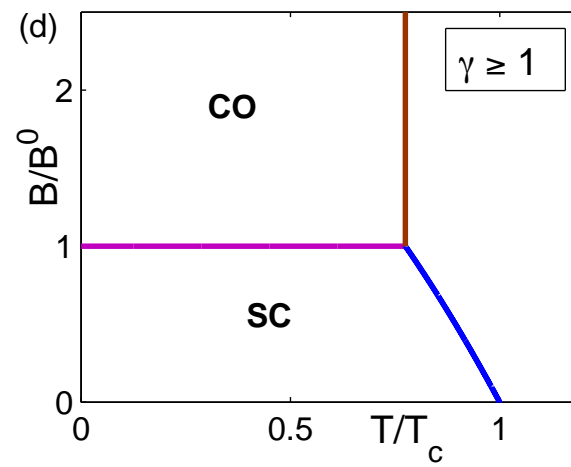
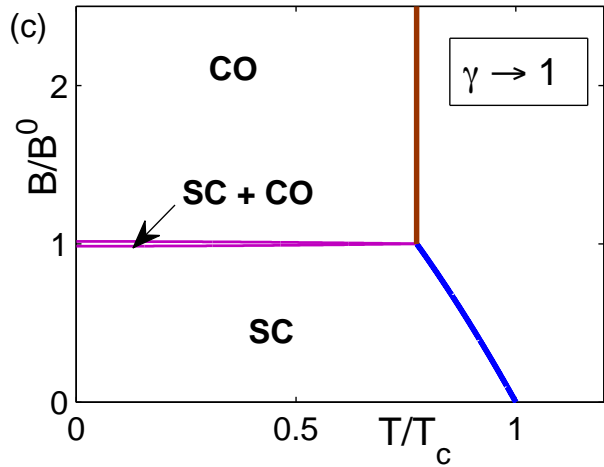
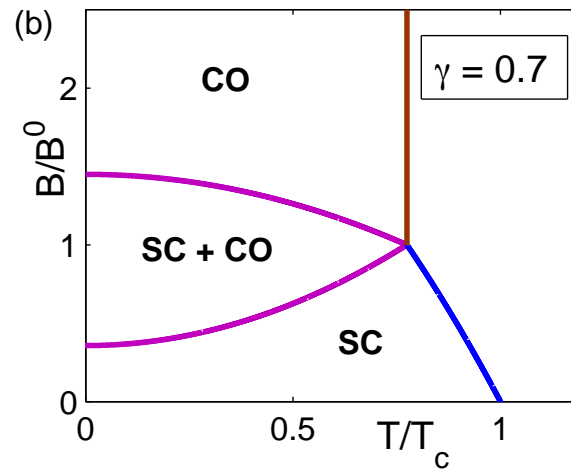
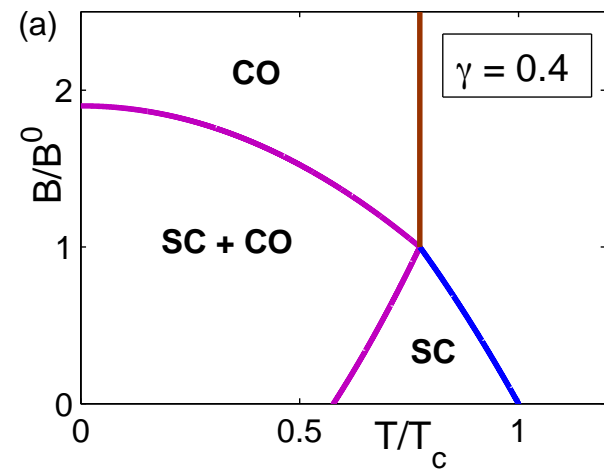
SU(2)-symmetry

Magnetic-field-induced charge-stripe order in the high-temperature superconductor $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_y$

Tao Wu¹, Hadrien Mayaffre¹, Steffen Krämer¹, Mladen Horvatić¹, Claude Berthier¹, W. N. Hardy^{2,3}, Ruixing Liang^{2,3}, D. A. Bonn^{2,3} & Marc-Henri Julien¹

Leboeuf et al, Nature (2013)

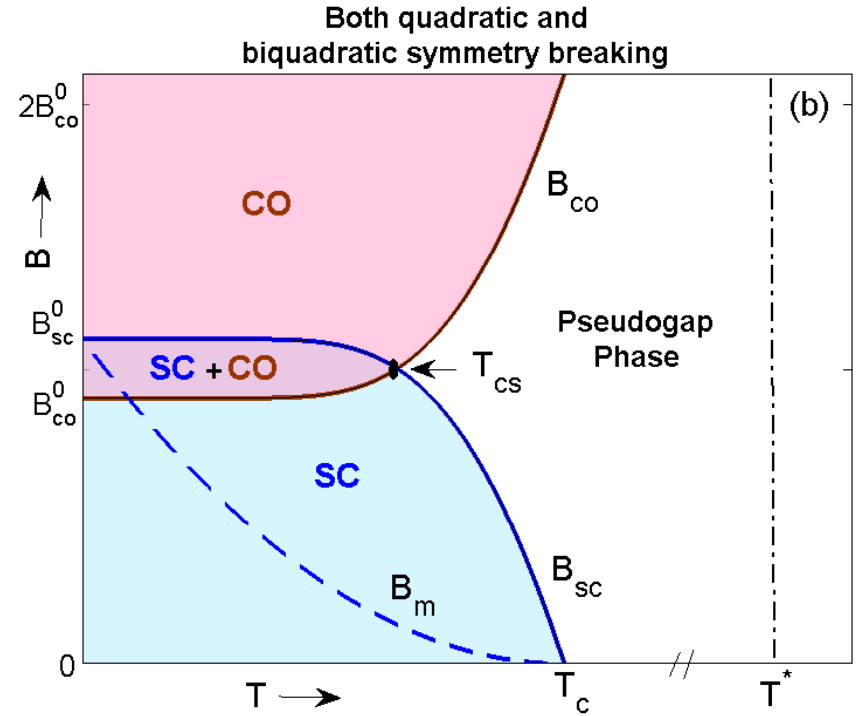
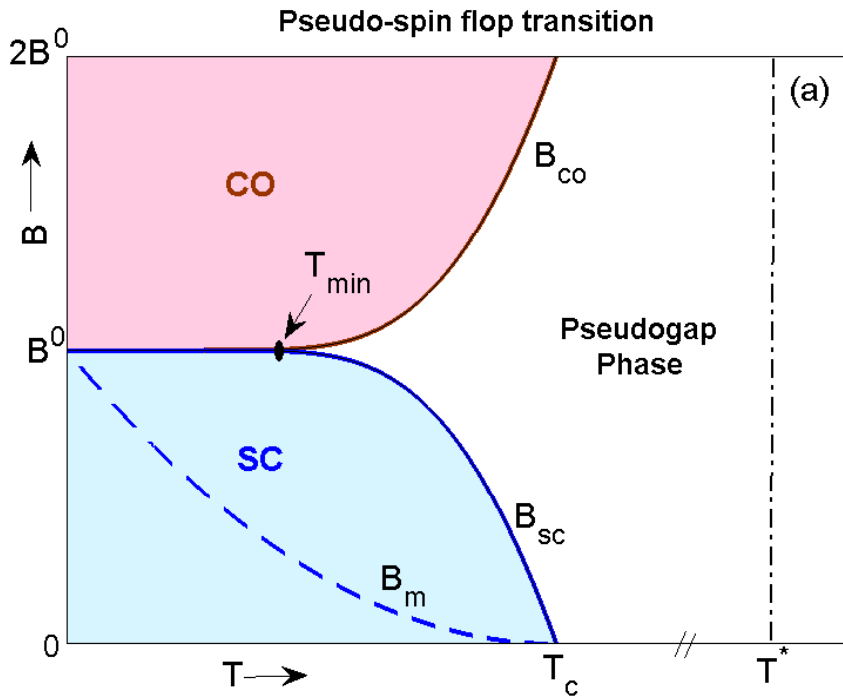




$$f[\psi, \phi] = \alpha_\psi |\psi|^2 + \frac{\beta_\psi}{2} |\psi|^4 + \alpha_\phi |\phi|^2 + \frac{\beta_\phi}{2} |\phi|^4 + \gamma |\psi|^2 |\phi|^2,$$

$$\alpha_\phi = \alpha'_\phi + a_{co} T^2$$

Non Linear Sigma Model



$$\frac{F}{T} = \frac{1}{t_0} \int \text{tr}[\nabla u^\dagger \nabla u + \kappa_0 \tau_3 u^\dagger \tau_3 u] dR$$

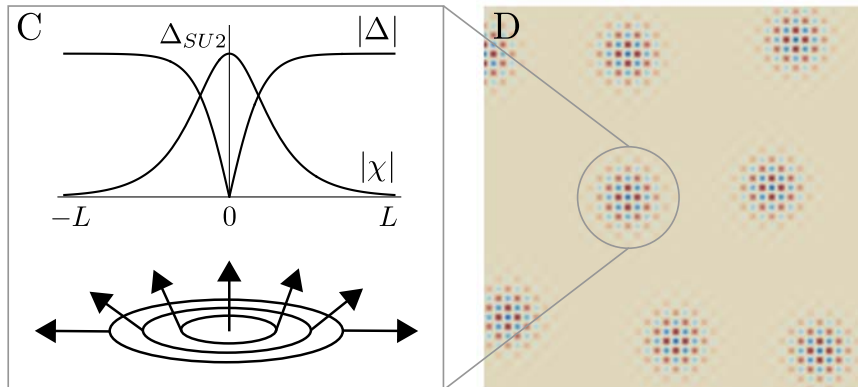
$$\frac{F_{bq}}{T} = \frac{1}{t_0} \int z_0 \left\{ (\text{tr}[\tau_3 u^\dagger \tau_3 u])^2 - 1 \right\} dR$$

Topology and local structures

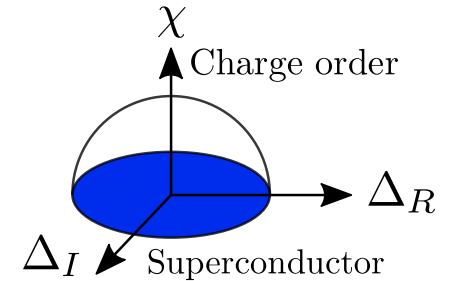
Homotopy classes

$$\Delta_{-,R}^2 + \Delta_{-,I}^2 + \Delta_{+,R}^2 + \Delta_{+,I}^2 = 1$$

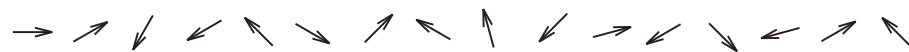
$$\pi_2(S_3) = 0$$



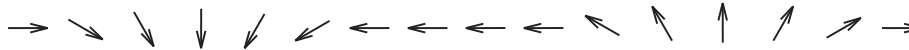
0(3) non linear σ -model



Vortex structure Phase diagram



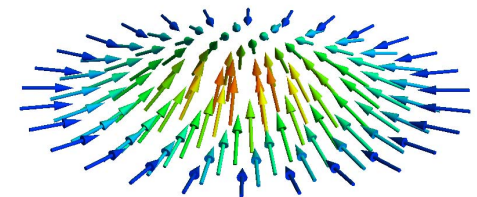
(c) Pseudogap



(b) Nernst

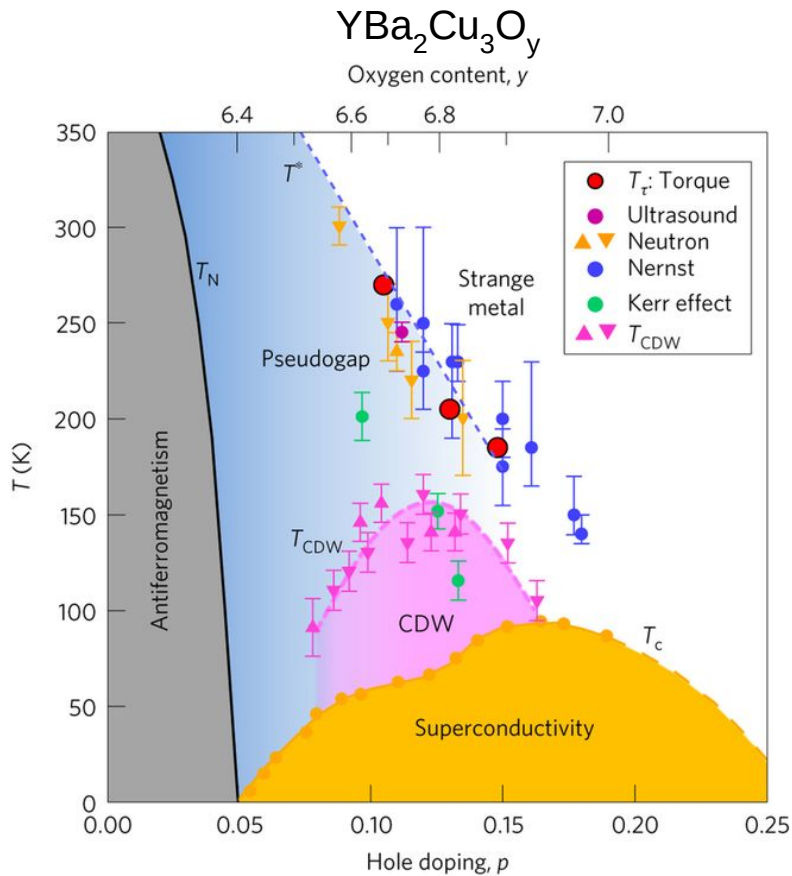


(a) Superconductor



Fractionalization of a PDW

The phase diagram



Slave-boson method :

$$c_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} = b_i f_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger}$$

Charge (holon)

Spin (spinon)

Constraint :

$$b_i b_i^{\dagger} + \sum_{\sigma} f_{i,\sigma} f_{i,\sigma}^{\dagger} = 1$$

Fictitious gauge transformation :

$$\begin{cases} f_{i\sigma} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} f_{i\sigma} \\ b_i \rightarrow e^{i\theta} b_i \end{cases}$$

Fractionalization of a Pair Density Wave

Modulated particle-particle pair : $\Delta_{ij}^{PDW} = \langle c_{i,\sigma} c_{j,\bar{\sigma}} e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{ij}} \rangle$

PDW fractionalization : $\Delta_{ij}^{PDW} = [\Delta_{ij}, \chi_{ij}^*]$

$$\Delta_{ij}^* \Delta_{ij} + \chi_{ij}^* \chi_{ij} = 1$$

Uniform particle-particle pair : $\Delta_{ij} = \langle c_{i,\sigma} c_{j,\bar{\sigma}} \rangle \longrightarrow$ Charge (2)

Modulated particle-hole pair : $\chi_{ij} = \langle c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{ij}} \rangle \longrightarrow$ Translation symmetry

Phase transformation :

$$\begin{cases} \Delta_{ij} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \Delta_{ij} \\ \chi_{ij} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \chi_{ij} \end{cases}$$

Ansatz : $|PG\rangle = \left(\hat{\chi}_{ij} + \hat{\Delta}_{ij} \right) |0\rangle + \text{constraint}$

The phase diagram

Emerging gauge field : confining transition

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d^2x \sum_{a,b=1}^2 |\omega_{ab}|^2, \text{ with } \omega_{ab} = z_a \partial_\mu z_b - z_b \partial_\mu z_a,$$

$$z_1 = \Delta, z_2 = \chi, z_1^* = \Delta^*, z_2^* = \chi^*.$$

$$T = T^*$$

θ gets to fluctuate

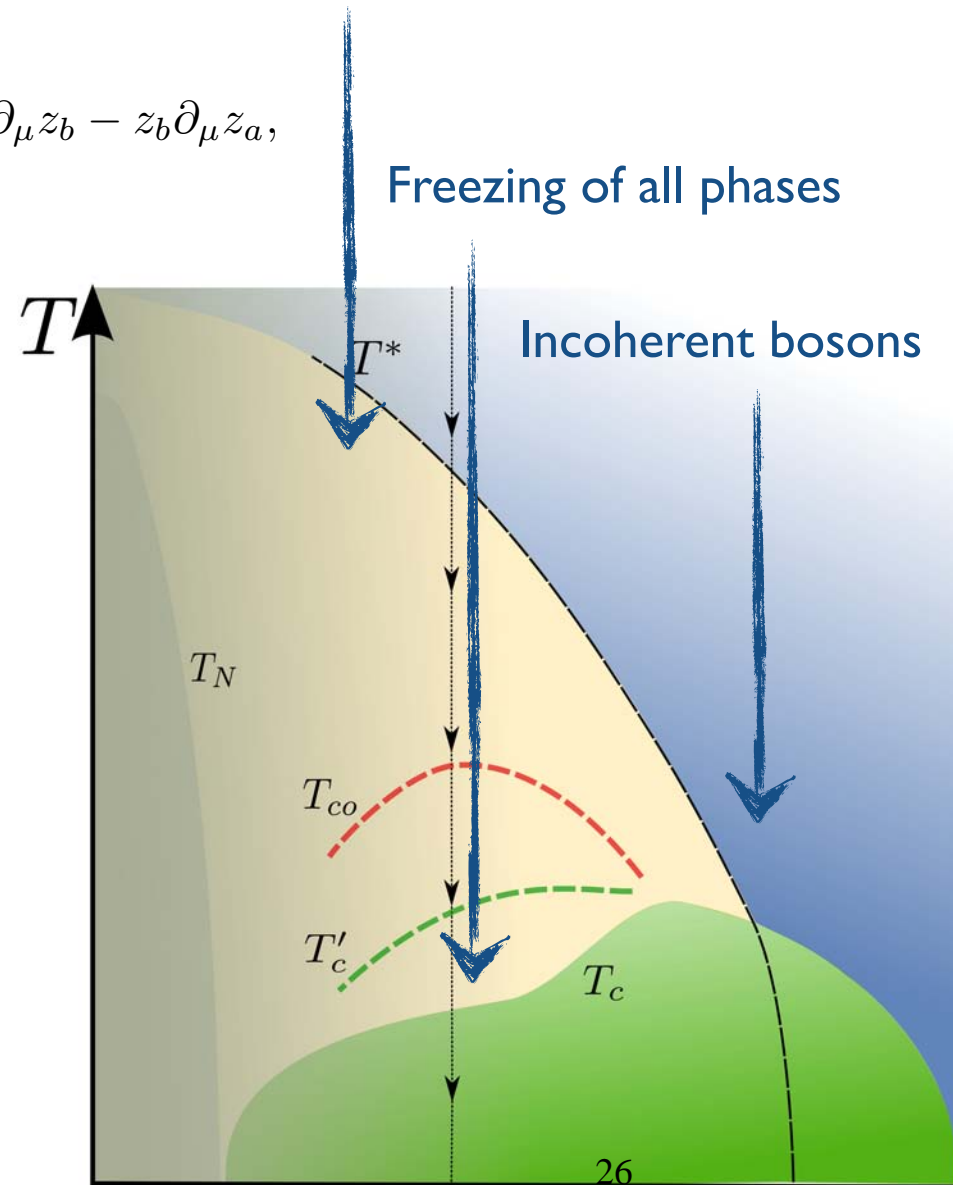
We obtain the constraint

$$|\Delta_{ij}|^2 + |\chi_{ij}|^2 = (E^*)^2$$

$$T = T_c$$

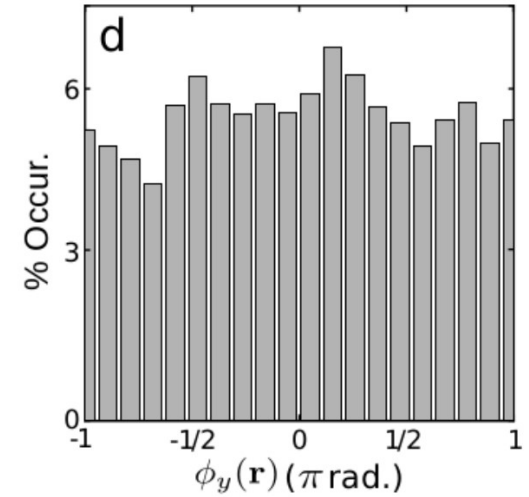
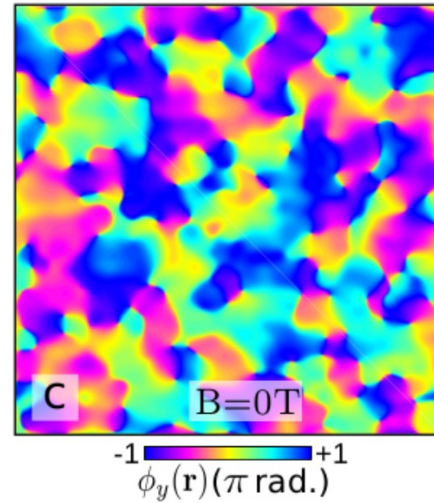
ϕ gets frozen and we have global phase coherence.

Meissner effect.

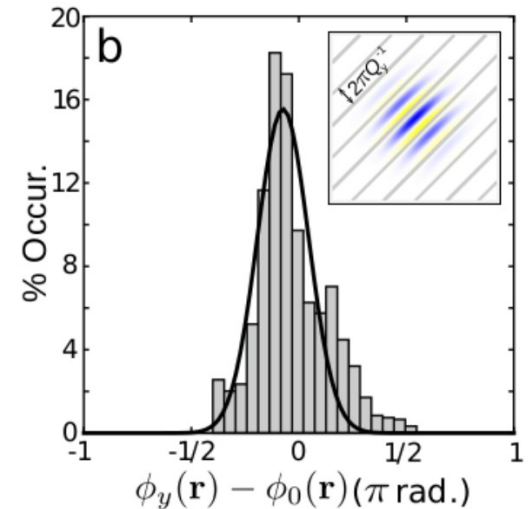
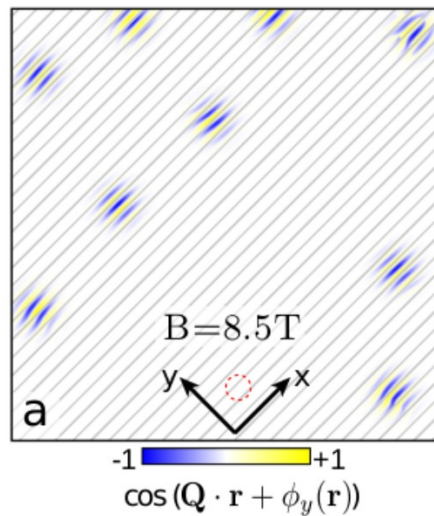


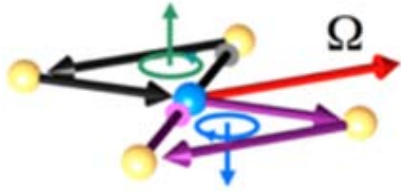
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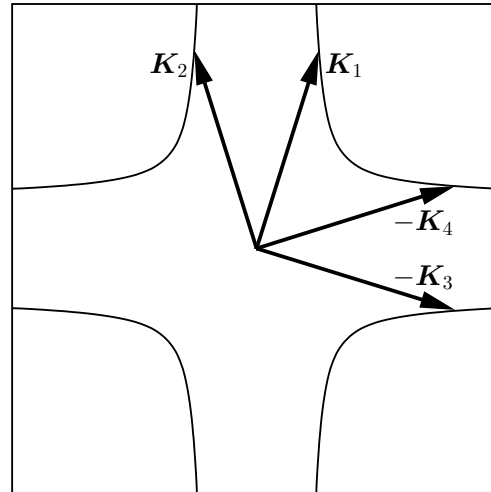


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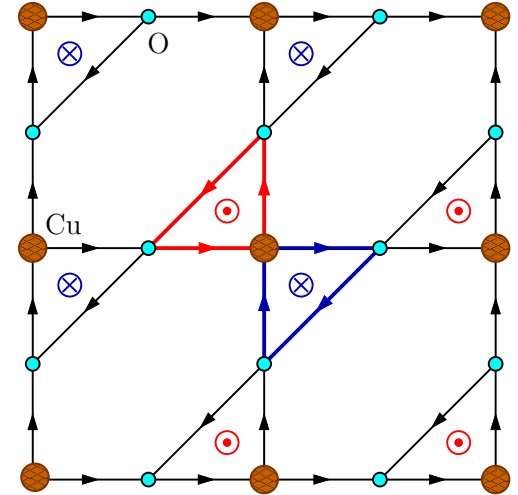




Original idea: Loop Current:
(C.M. Varma)



(a)



(b)

Agterberg (2015)

L. Mangin-Thro et al, Nat. Comm 6, 7705 (2015)

Symmetries of a PDW order

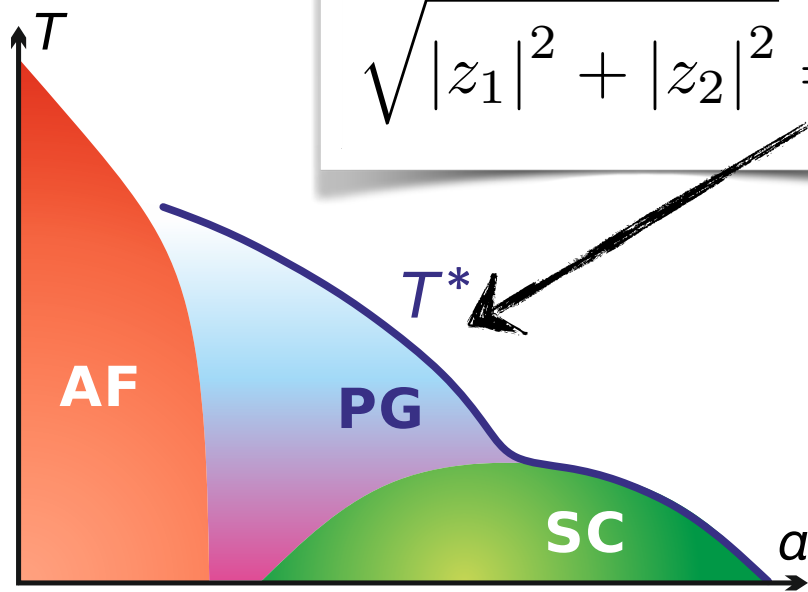
$$\Delta_Q \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} \Delta_{-Q}^* \quad \Delta_Q \xrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} \Delta_{-Q}$$

$$l = (|\Delta_Q|^2 - |\Delta_{-Q}|^2)$$

The fractionalized PDW supports the symmetry of the $Q=0$ loop currents as a precursor order parameter

Analogy with SU(2) emergent symmetry

$$\psi = (z_1, z_2) \quad \mathcal{L}_{CP^1} = \frac{1}{2g} |D_\mu \psi|^2 + V(\psi)$$



$$\sqrt{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2} = \Delta^*$$

Same Ansatz of entangled states

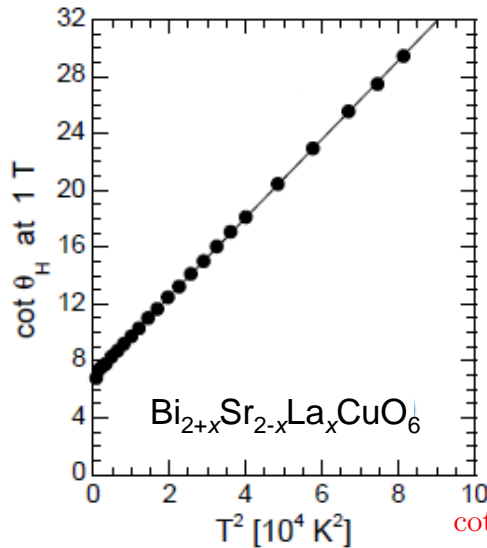
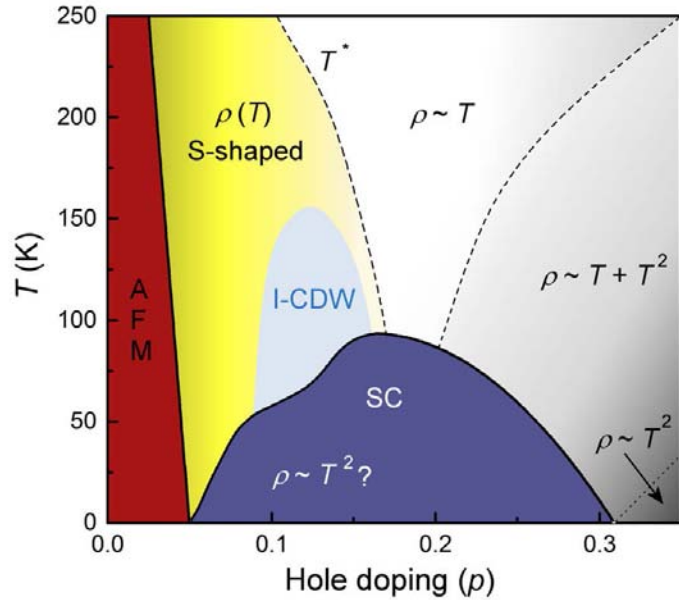
Same constraint !

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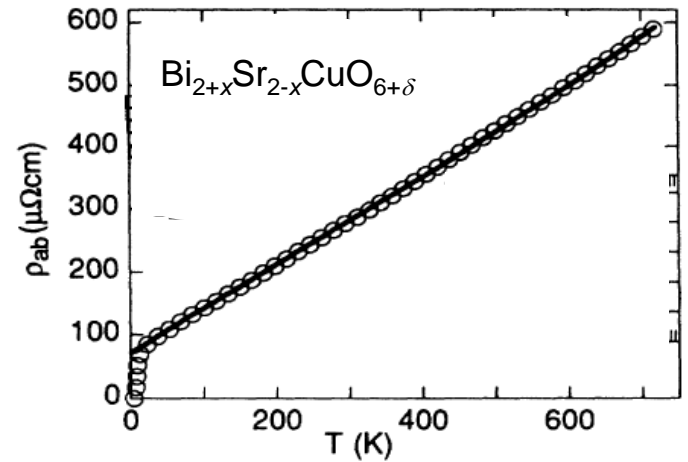
Sachdev et al (2013)
Efetov, Meier, CP (2013)

Strange metals

Most strongly Correlated/ Entangled QCP ?



$$\cot \theta_H = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{\sigma_{xy}} = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$



Martin *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* (1990)

**Planckian regime for the resistivity,
minimal viscosity**

Zaanen 2019
Black hole models, SYK etc...

**At the same time Drude like optical
conductivity driven by T**

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{\sigma_0}{1 - i\omega\tau}$$

Van der Marel 90

$$\tau \propto 1/T$$

$$\sigma_{xx} = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{ne^3B\tau^2}{cm}$$

$$\cot \theta_H = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{\sigma_{xy}} = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$$

$$R_H = \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{\sigma_{xx}^2} = \frac{Bm}{ne}$$



$$\tau^{-1} \sim T^2$$

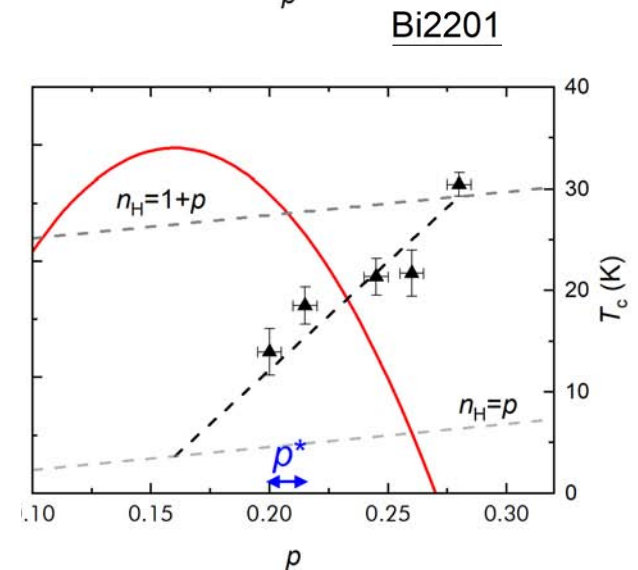
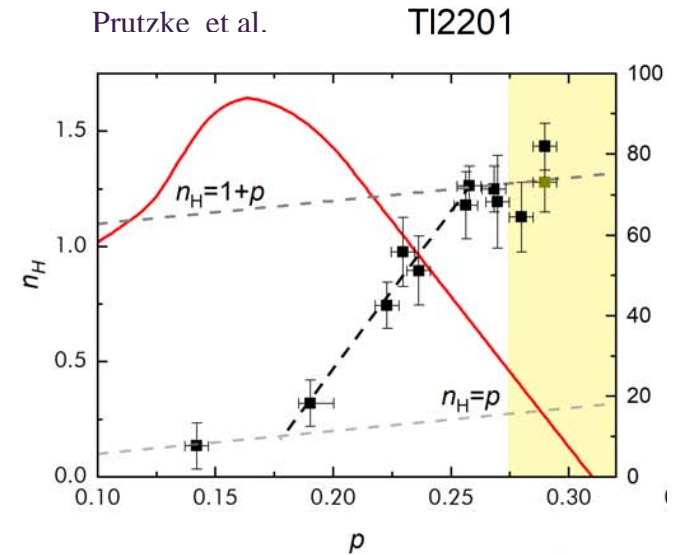
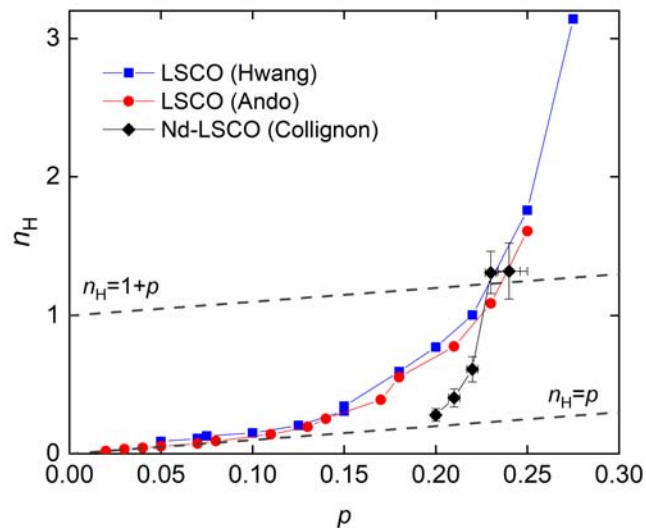
$$n \sim T ?$$

Transport in the Strange Metal

Recent controversy

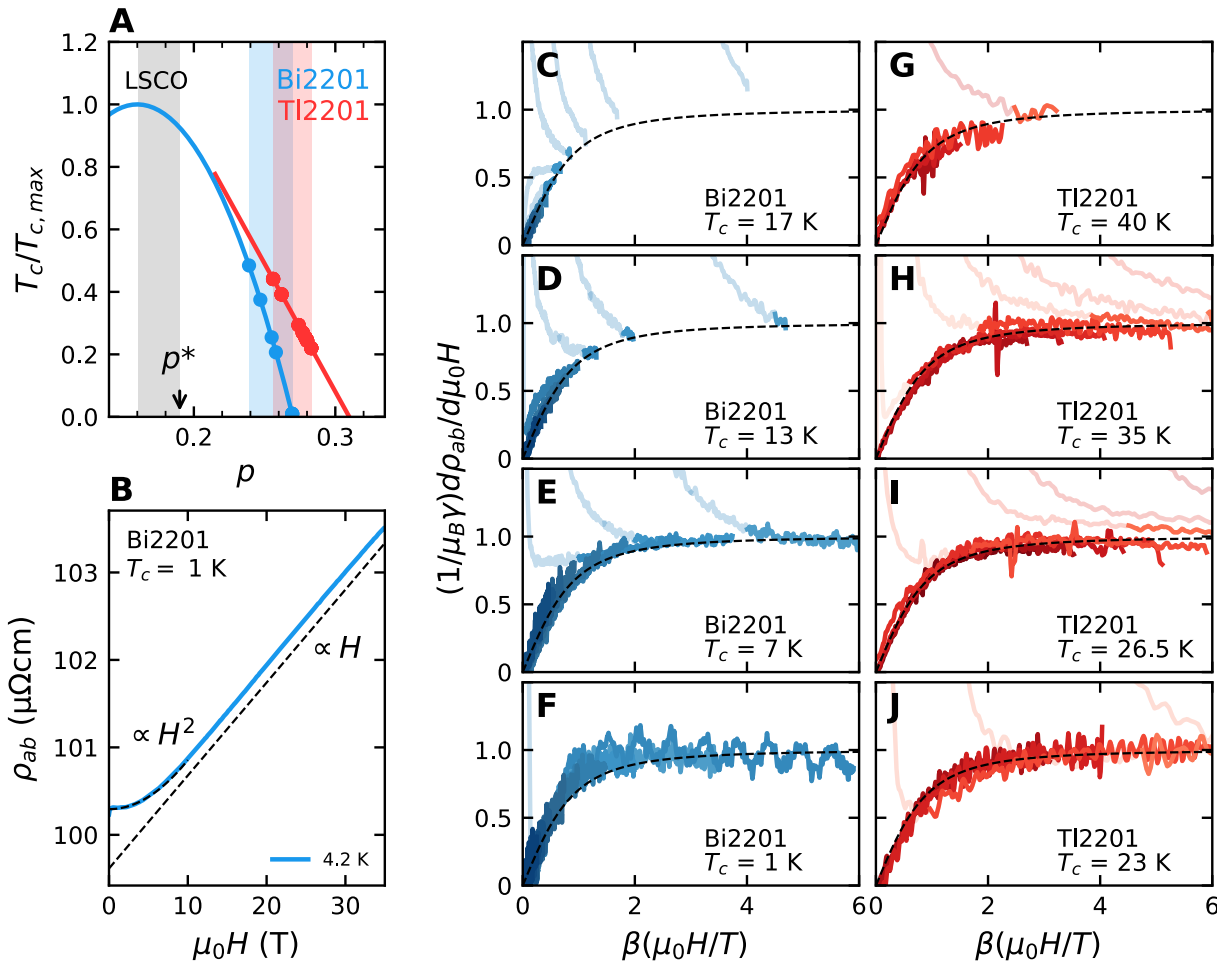
Spectral weight missing in the Strange Metal regime?

Our answer : two types of carriers, fermions and charge-2 bosons with finite momentum



\mathcal{H}/T scaling in the SM phase

$$\rho(H, T) - \rho(0, 0) = \sqrt{(\alpha k_B T)^2 + (\gamma \mu_B \mu_0 H)^2}$$



- *Isotropic*

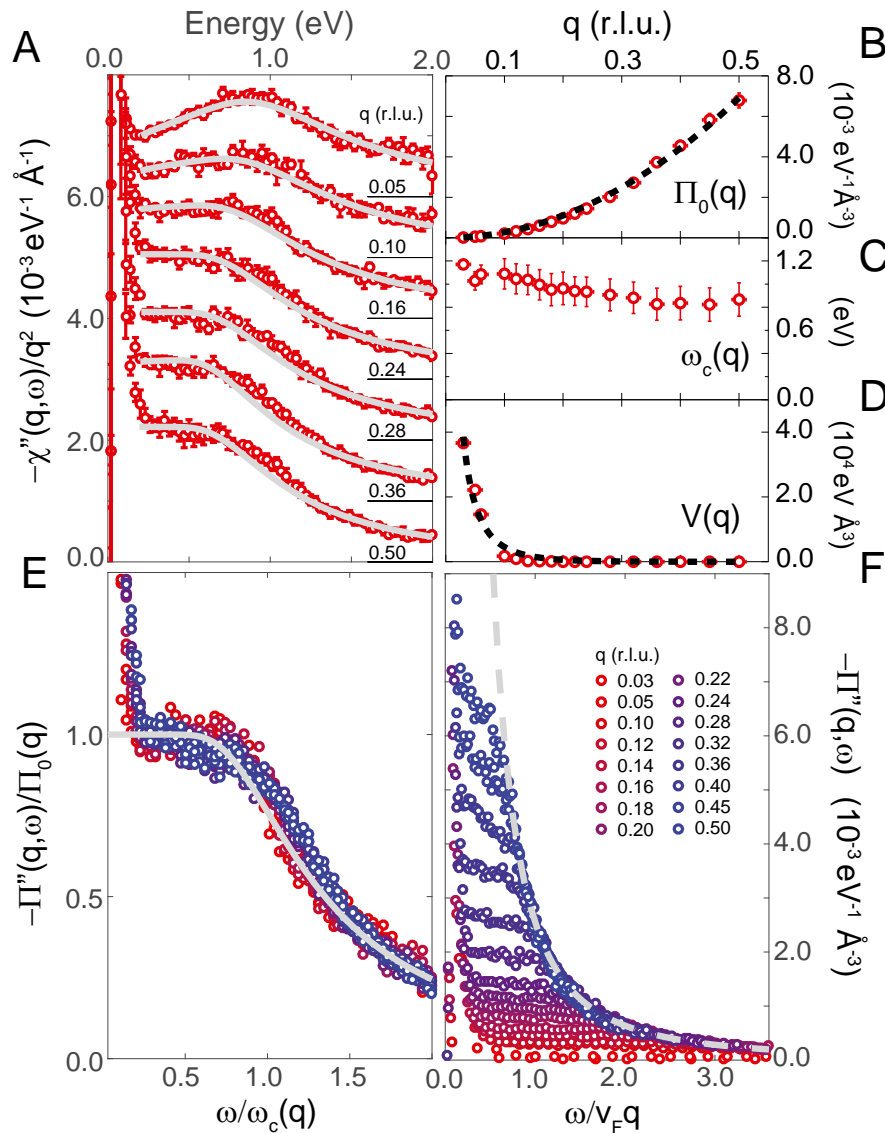
- *Incoherent*

$$\sigma_{xy} = 0$$

- *Planckian limit*

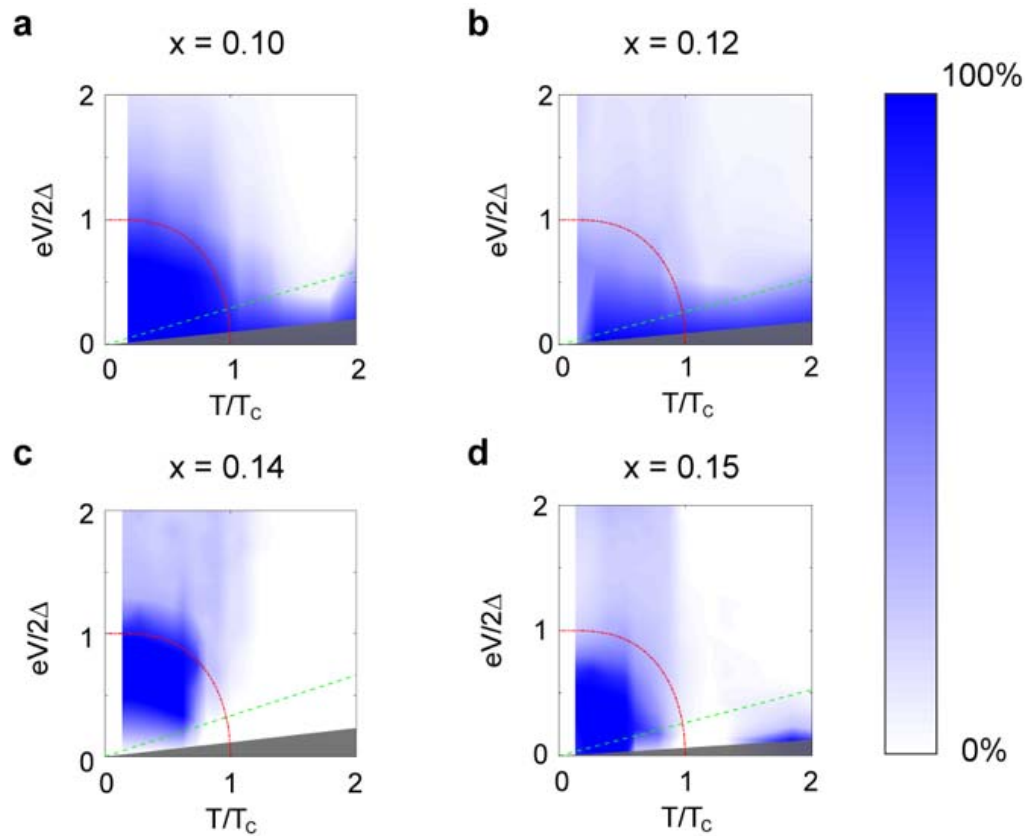
Presence of « another species » in this regime : MFEELS experiment

Mitrano et al., 2018



Jamming transition

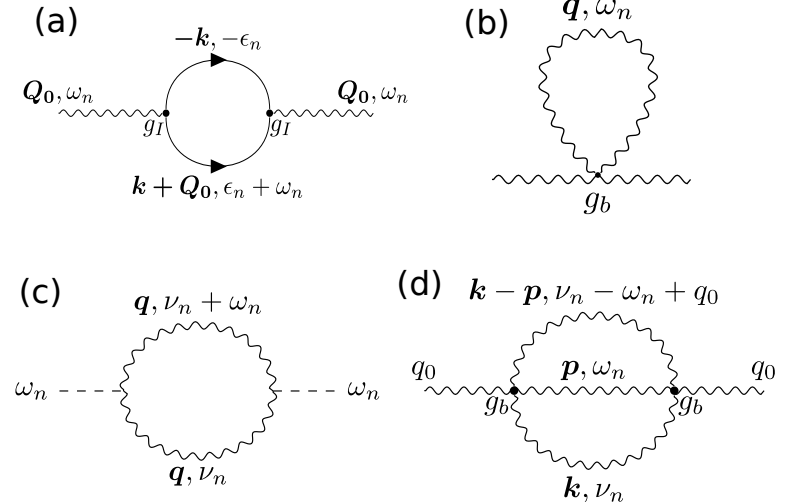
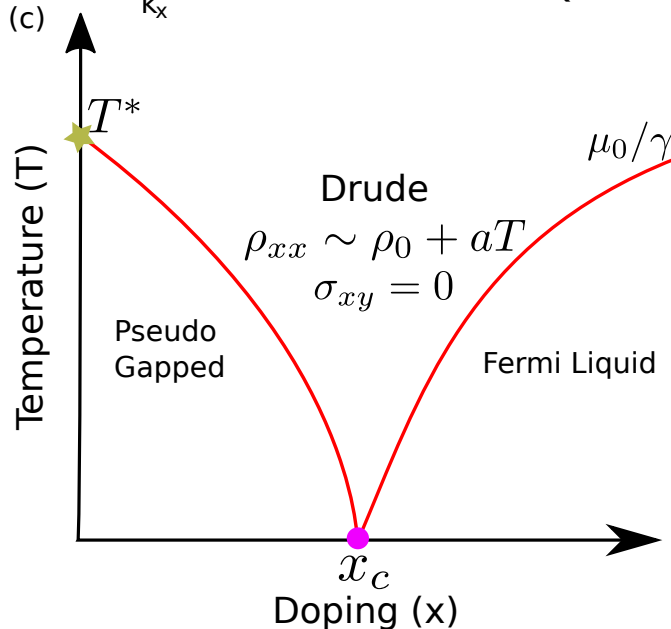
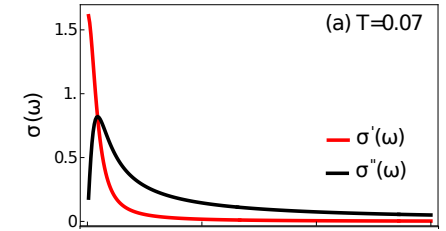
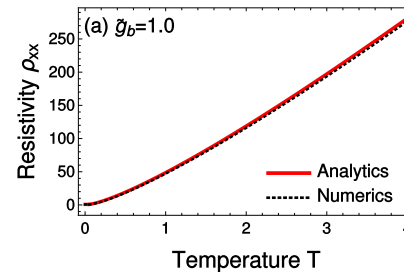
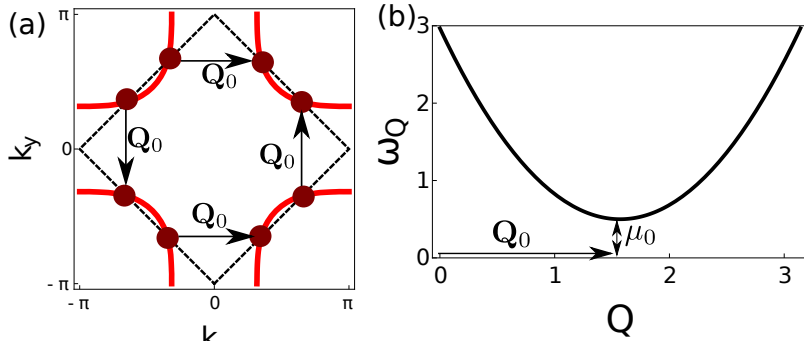
Pair tunneling in $\mathcal{L}SCO$: noise measurement



Our proposal: Charged bosons in the Strange Metal phase

$$D^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, i\omega_n) = \gamma |\omega_n| + \mathbf{q}^2 + \mu(T)$$

$$\sigma_{xx}(i\omega \rightarrow \omega + i\delta) = \frac{\sigma_0^b \tau}{\left(1 - i\frac{\gamma\omega}{2\mu}\right)},$$



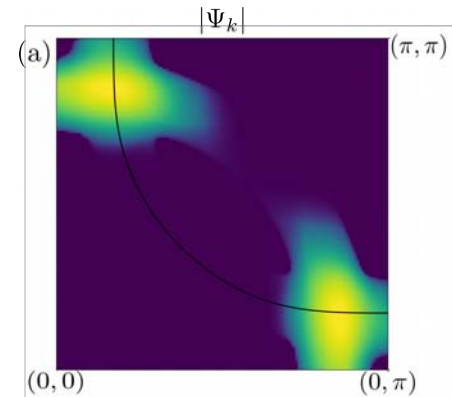
$$\sigma_{xx} = \frac{ne^2}{m} \tau_{xx}$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{ne^3 B}{cm} \tau_{xy}^2$$

$$\cot \theta_H = \frac{\sigma_{xx}}{\sigma_{xy}} = \frac{c}{eB} \frac{\tau_{xx}}{\tau_{xy}^2}$$

$$\tau_{xx}^{-1} \sim T$$

$$\tau_{xy}^{-1} \sim T^{1.5}$$



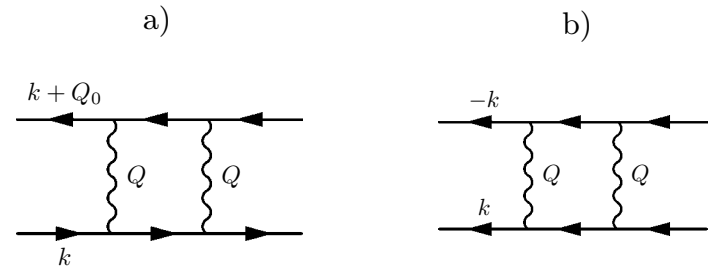
Averaging the Hall conductivity around the Fermi surface with hot and cold spots

Kokalj, McKenzie and Hussey, 2012

Predictions ARPES

Why the system would want to do this ?

$$H = \sum_{i,j,\sigma} c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger t_{ij} c_{j,\sigma} + J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j + V \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} n_i n_j$$



$$\chi_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \langle c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} \rangle \quad \Delta_{ij}^* = \langle c_i^\dagger \uparrow c_j^\dagger \downarrow \rangle$$

Mean-field decoupling

$$\Delta_k = \sum_{\sigma} \sigma c_{k,\sigma} c_{-k,\bar{\sigma}}$$

$$\chi_k^Q = \sum_{\sigma} c_{k,\sigma}^\dagger c_{k+Q,\sigma}$$

$$\Psi_{ij} = (\hat{\Delta}_{ij}, \hat{\chi}_{ij})^t \quad |\Psi_{ij}| = E^*$$

Condensation energy

$$E_{PG} = \frac{1}{2\tilde{J}} |\Psi_{k=k_F}|^2 = 0.017 \text{ eV},$$

$$E_{SC} = \frac{1}{2J_-} |\Delta_{k=k_F}|^2 = 0.014 \text{ eV},$$

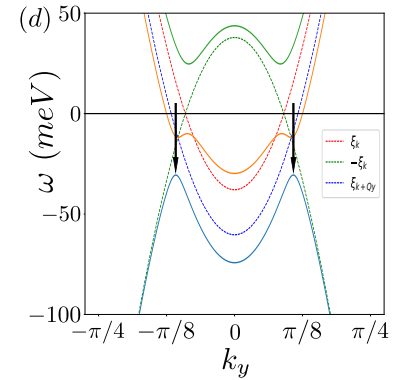
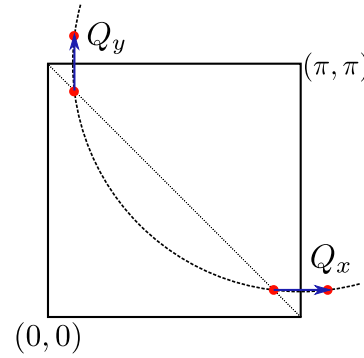
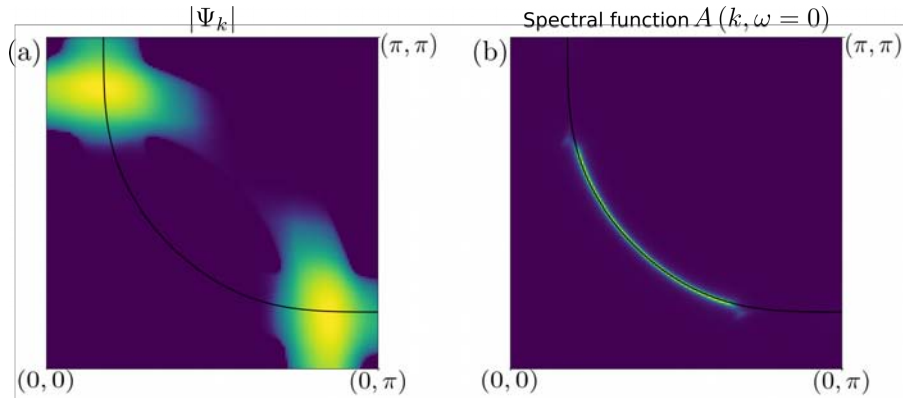
$$E_{CDW} = \frac{1}{2J_+} |\chi_{k=k_F}|^2 = 0.011 \text{ eV}.$$

Energy scales :

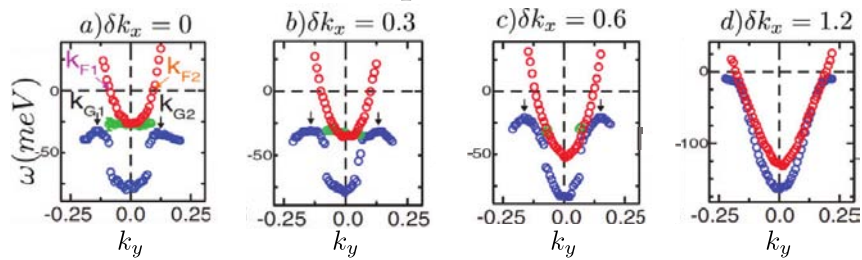
$$\Delta_k \sim 3J - V$$

$$\chi_k^Q \sim 3J + V$$

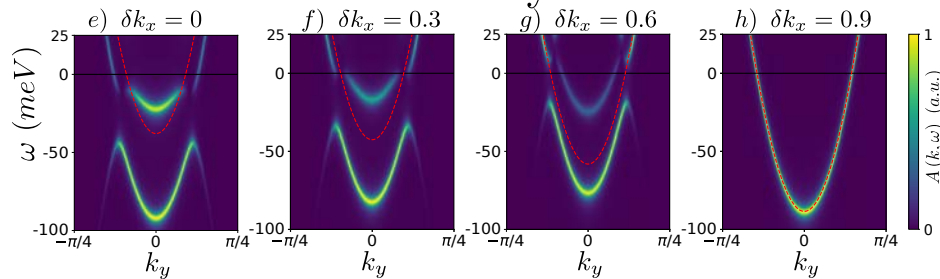
Opening a gap in the Fermi surface



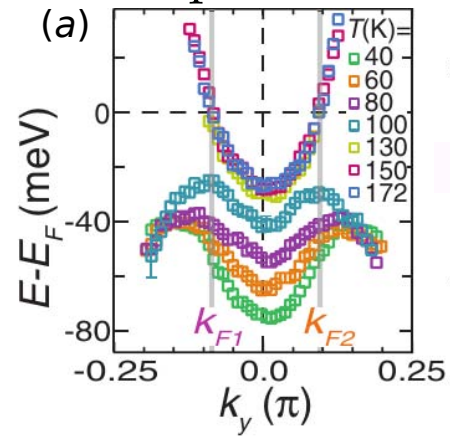
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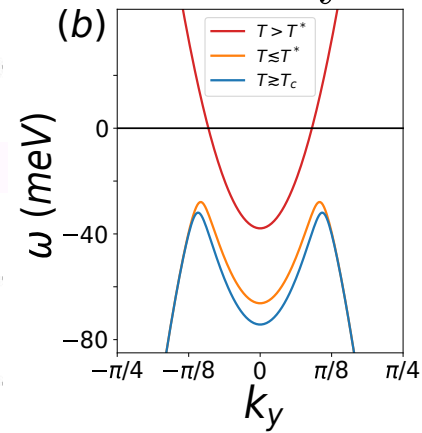
Theory



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Theory



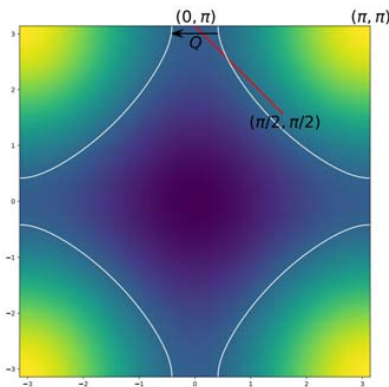
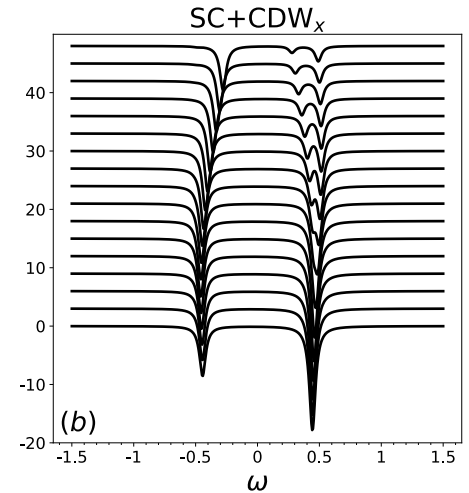
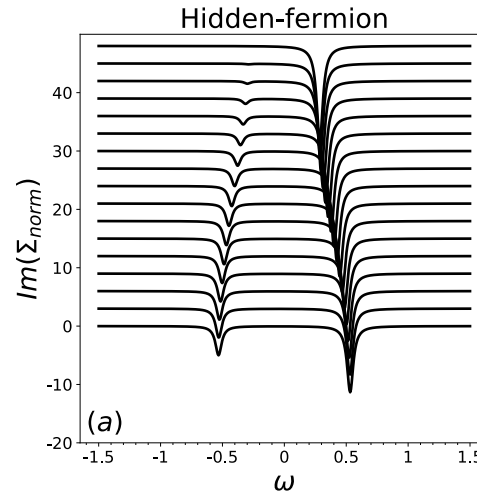
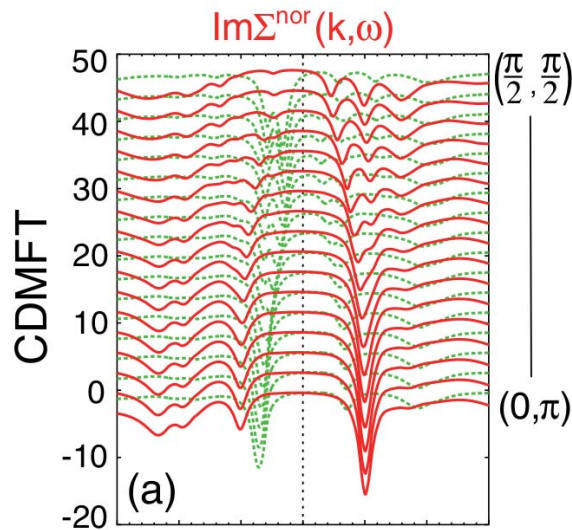
Comparison with CDMFT : « hidden fermion »

$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & \sum_{k,\sigma} \epsilon_k c_{k,\sigma}^\dagger c_{k,\sigma} + \sum_{k,\sigma} \left(\sigma \Delta_k^* c_{k,\sigma}^\dagger c_{-k,-\sigma}^\dagger + h.c. \right) \\
 & + \sum_{\alpha,k,\sigma} \epsilon_k^{f,\alpha} f_{k,\sigma}^\dagger f_{k,\sigma} + \sum_{\alpha,k,\sigma} \left(\sigma \Delta_k^{f,\alpha*} f_{k,\sigma}^\dagger f_{-k,-\sigma}^\dagger + h.c. \right) \\
 & + \sum_{\alpha,k,\sigma} \left(V_k^\alpha c_{k,\sigma}^\dagger f_{k,\sigma}^\dagger + h.c. \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{k,\sigma} = c_{k+Q,\sigma}$$

CDMFT $Q = (\pi, \pi)$ (AF)

Fract. PDW $Q = Q_0$ (CDW)

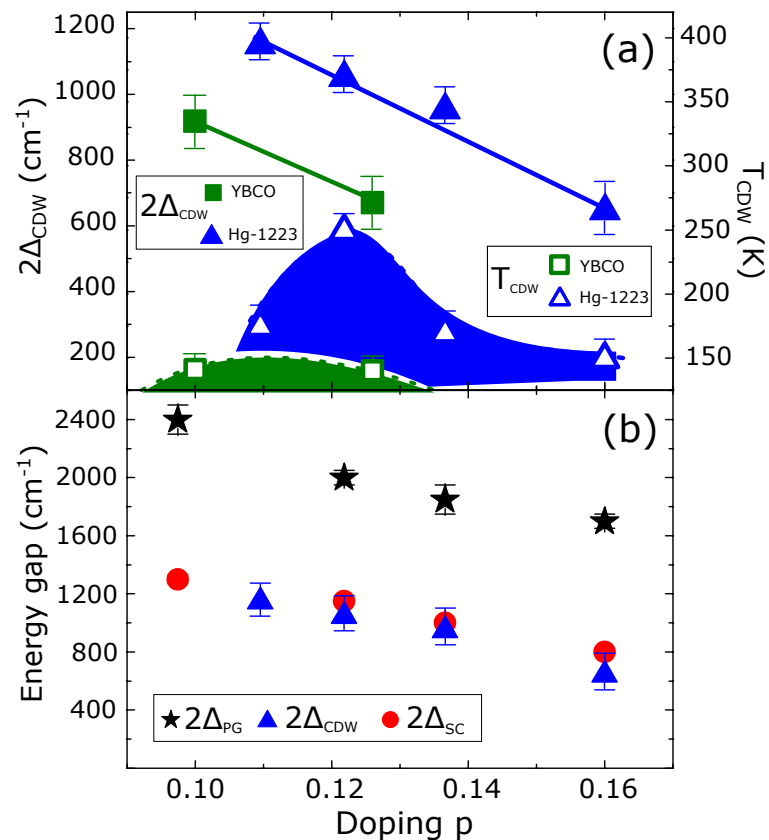
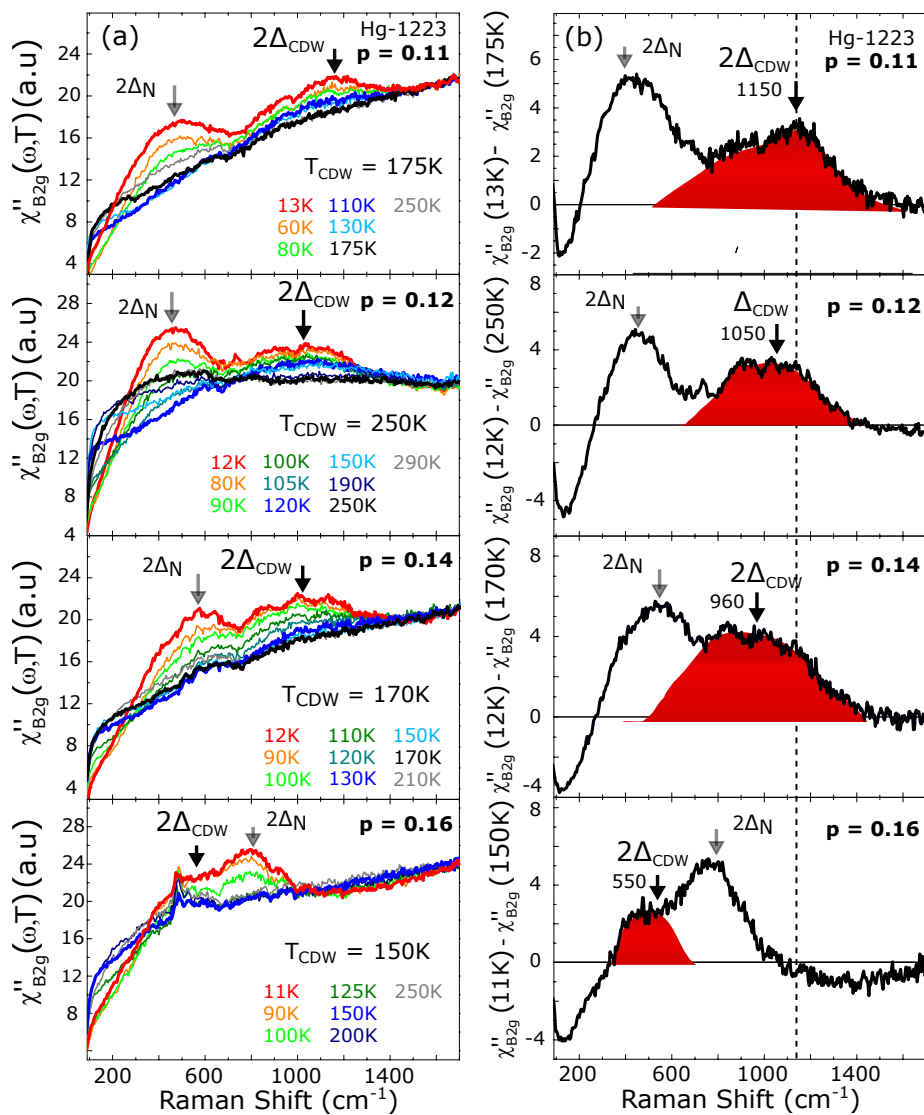
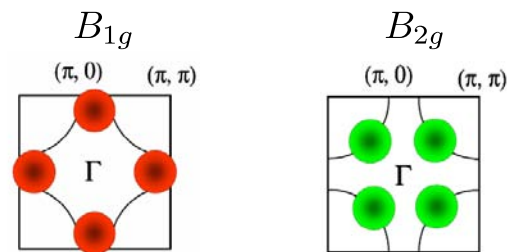


S. Sakai et al. 2021

Raman scattering

Raman Scattering B_{2g} , $T < T_{co}$

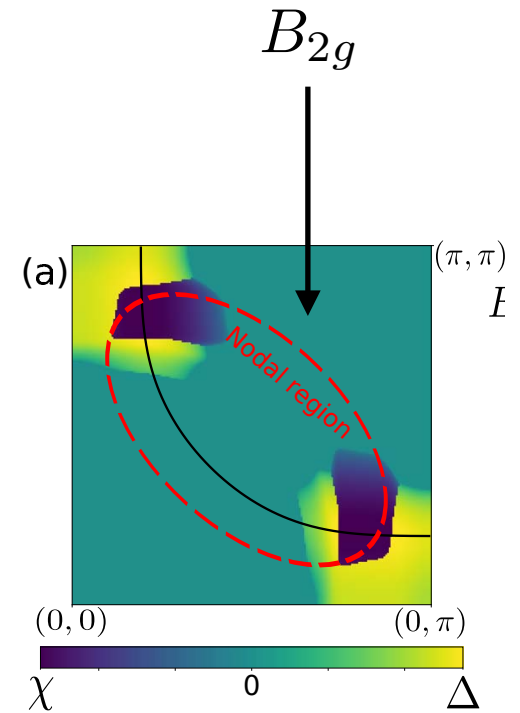
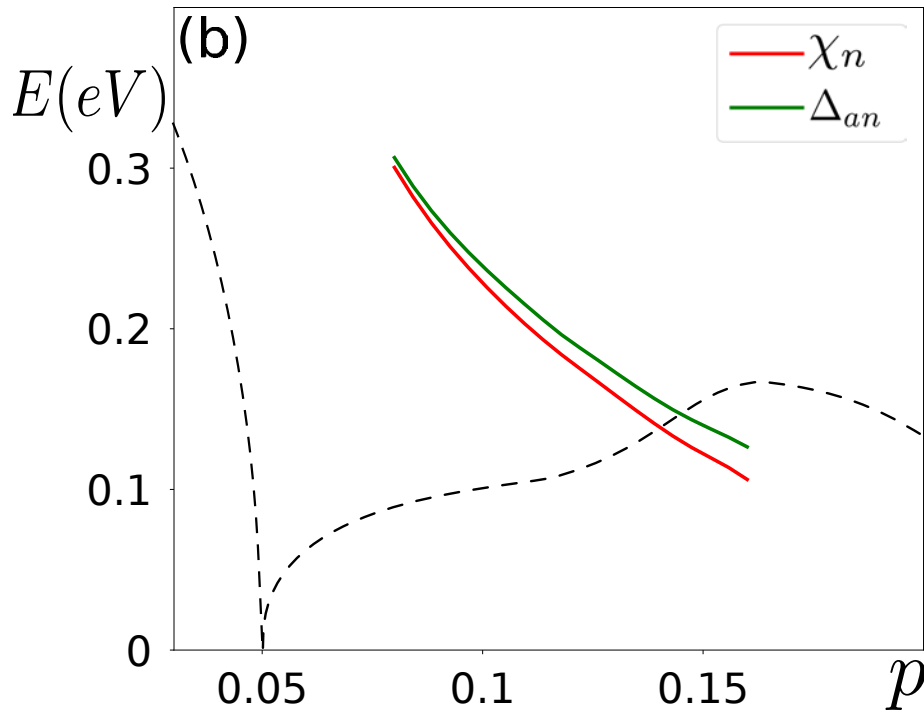
Loret et al. Nat. Physics (2019)



Solving gap equations

$$\Delta_{k,\omega} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{q,\Omega} \frac{J_-(q, \Omega) \Delta_{k+q}}{(\omega + \Omega)^2 - \xi_{k+q}^2 - \Delta_{k+q}^2},$$

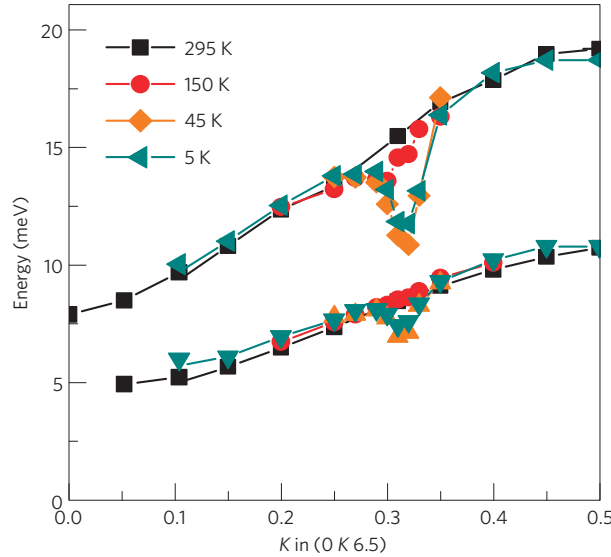
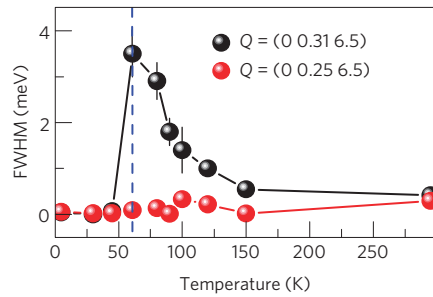
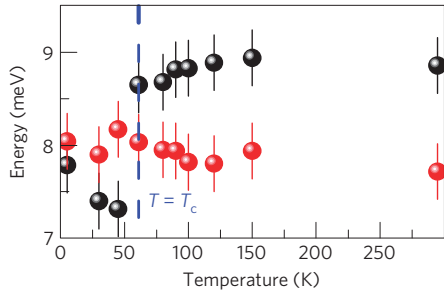
$$\chi_{k,\omega} = -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{q,\Omega} \frac{J_+(q, \Omega) \chi_{k+q}}{(\omega + \Omega - \xi_{k+q})(\omega + \Omega - \xi_{k+Q+q}) - \chi_{k+q}^2},$$



Same order of magnitude for
 Δ and χ

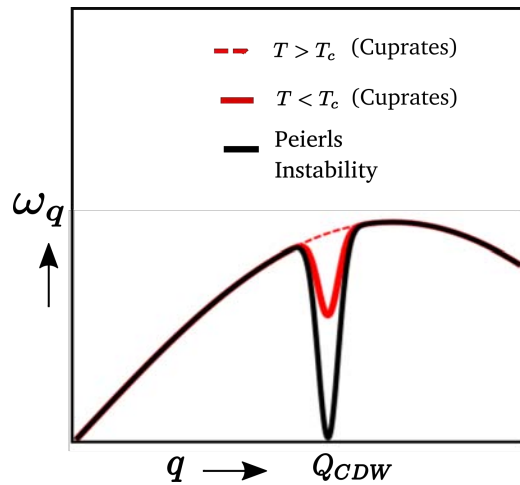
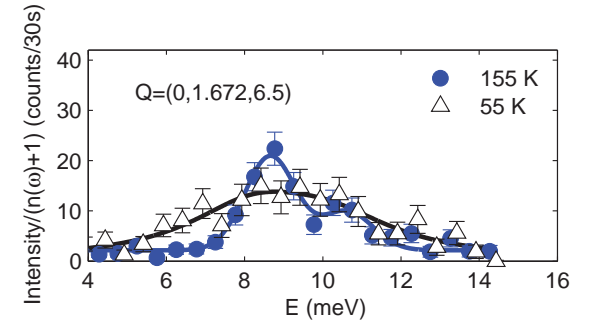
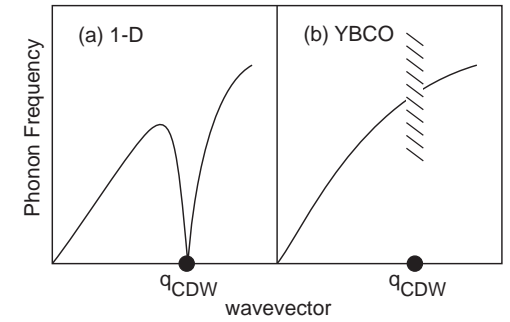
Phonon Softening

Anomalous softening of phonons



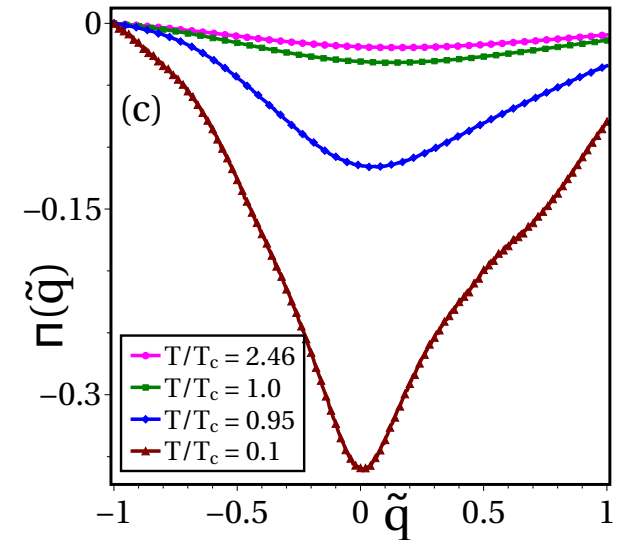
Le Tacon, 2013

Blackburn, 2013

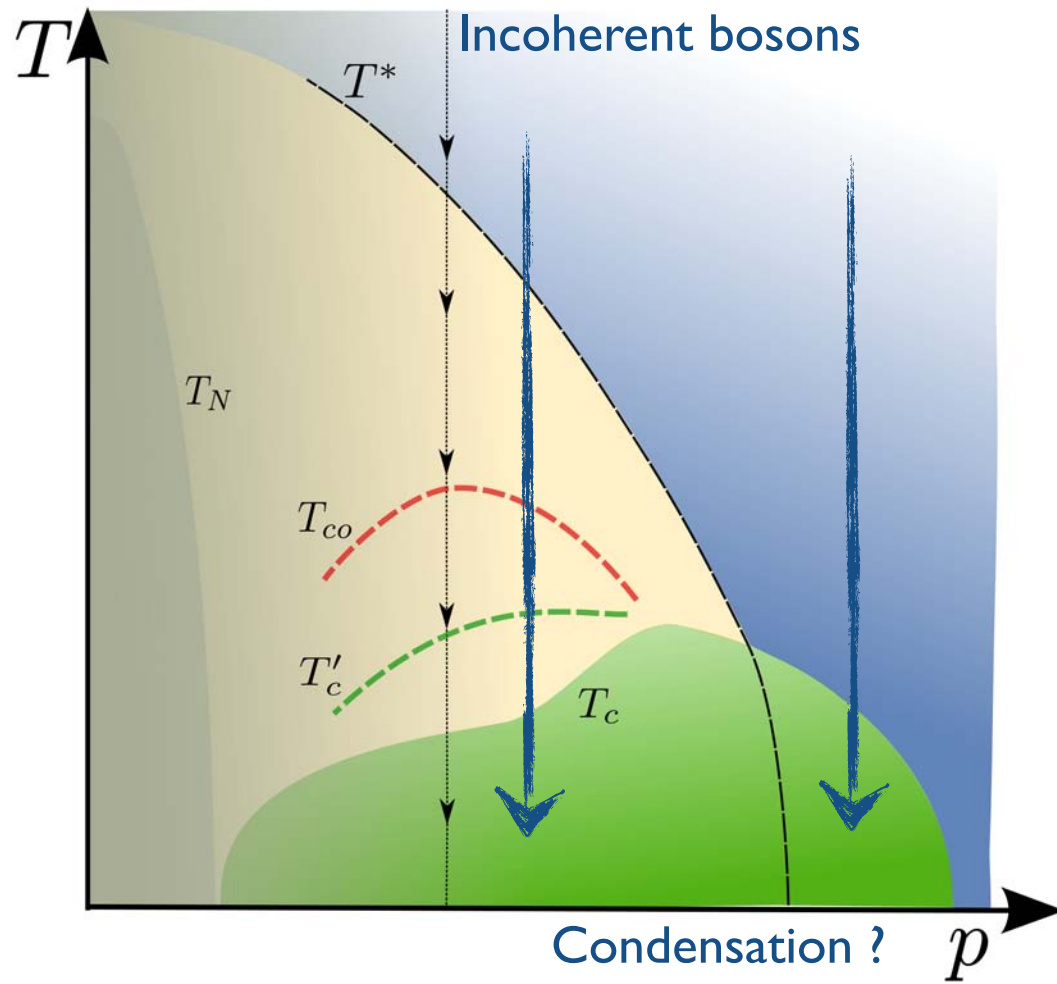


• *Phases lock at T_c*

• *Fluct. Quench at T_c*

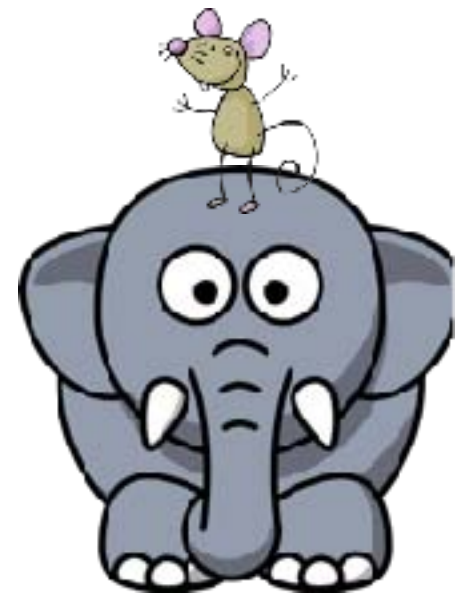


S. Sarkar et al. (2020)



Conclusions

- Charge orders are a key players in cuprate physics: natural competitor of superconductivity
- Fractionalizing a PDW or a more complex boson
- Entangling particle-hole and particle-particle pairs at T^*
- Explains recent Raman, phonon softening
- ARPES : back-bending, poles in self-energy (cf. DMFT studies)
- Can a charge-2 boson explain the mystery of strange metal and Hall resistivity ?
- Exp. predictions with mesoscopic noise, Josephson effects
- Numerical check in strong coupling approaches



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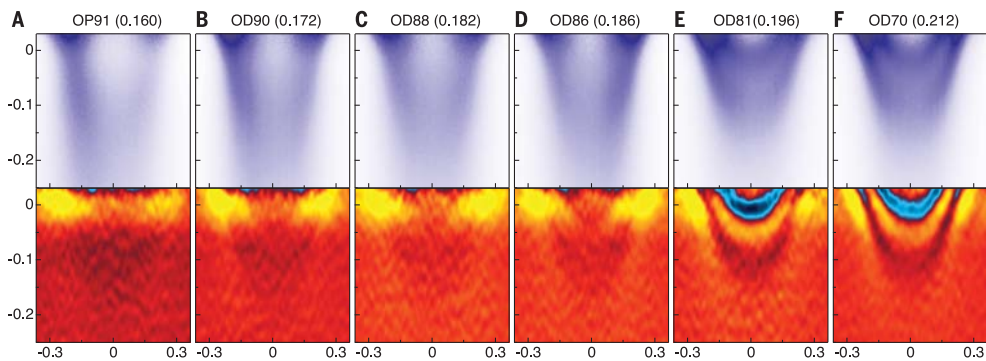
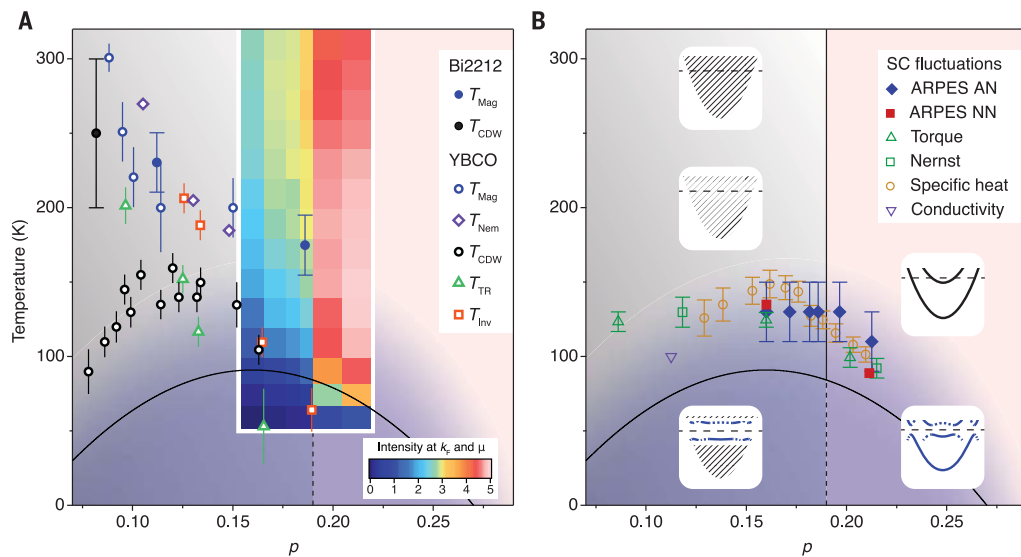
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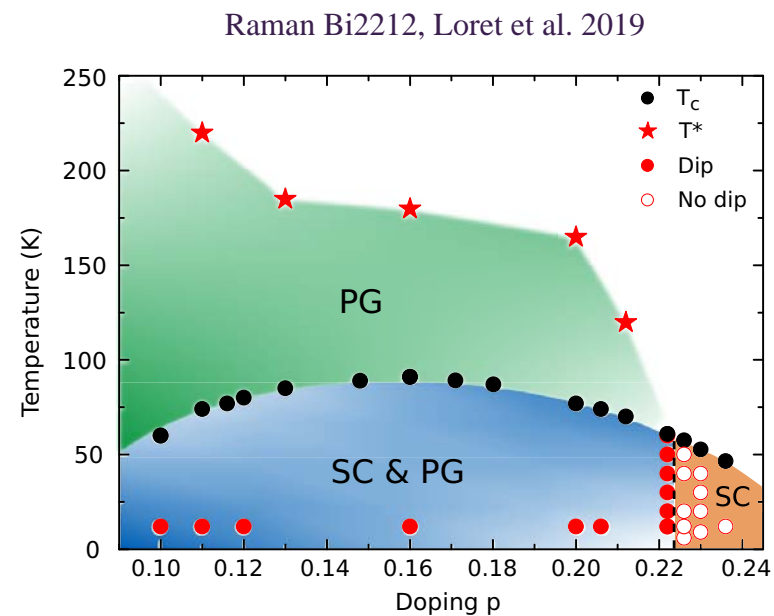
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Quantum Criticality
Or
Cross-Over ?

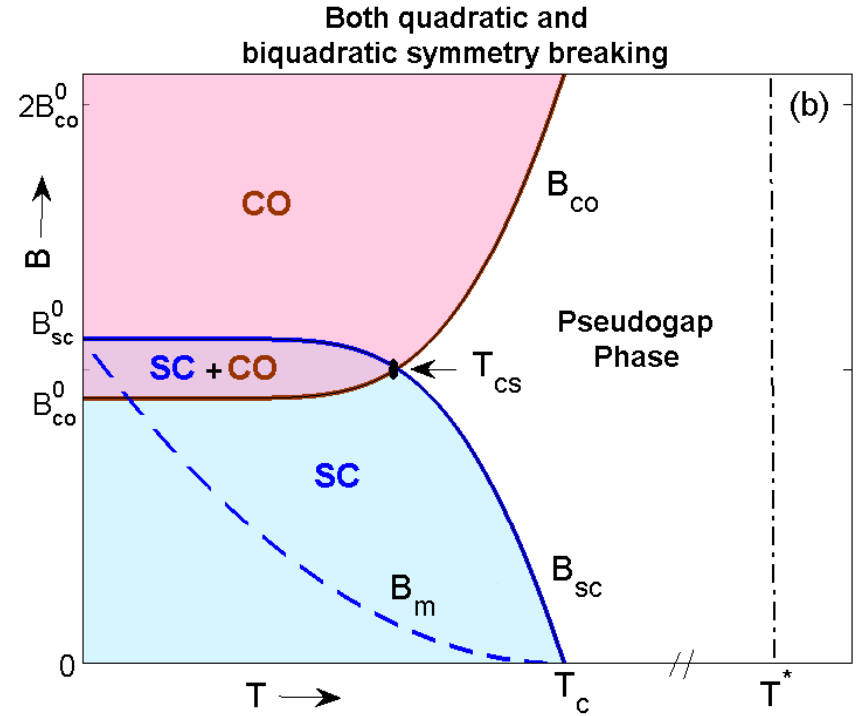
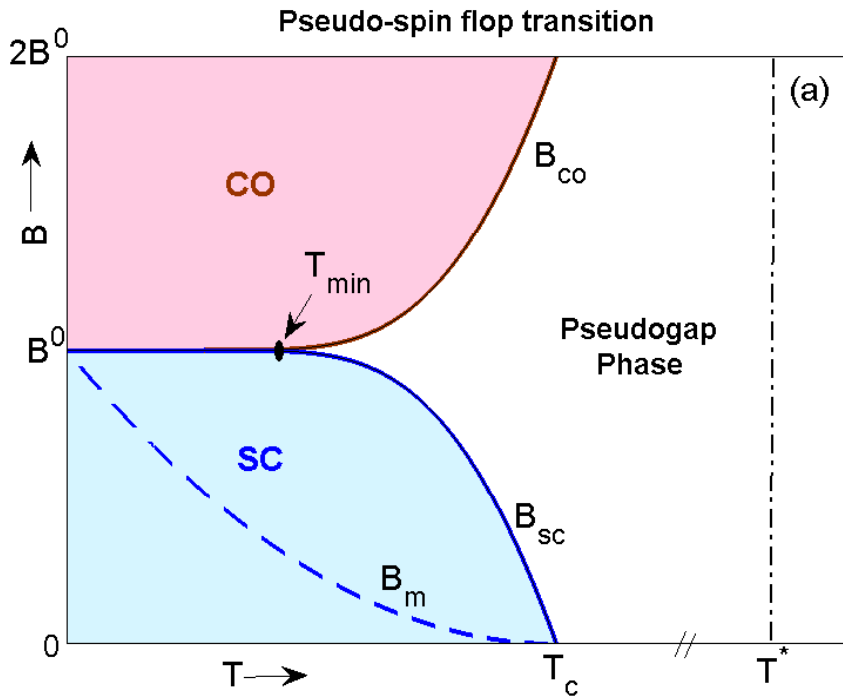
QCP questioned: an abrupt change at p^* ?



ARPES Bi2212, Chen et al. 2019



O(3) Non Linear Sigma Model



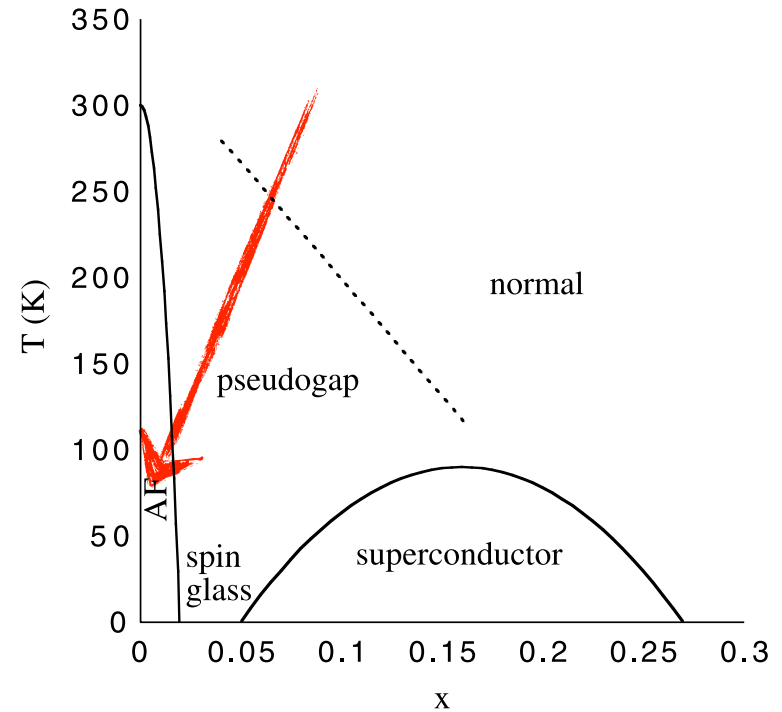
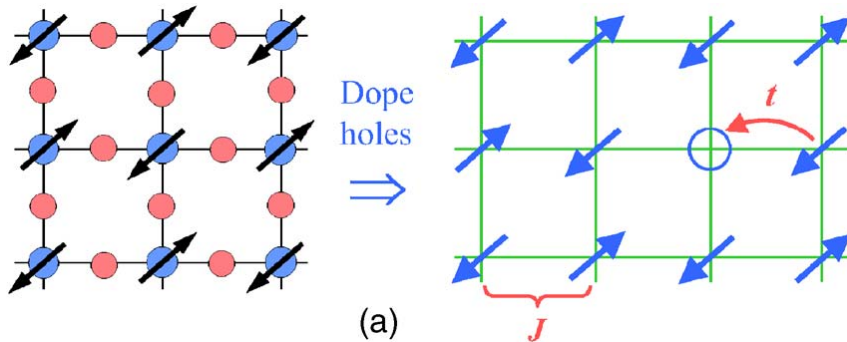
$$\frac{F}{T} = \frac{1}{t_0} \int \text{tr}[\nabla u^\dagger \nabla u + \kappa_0 \tau_3 u^\dagger \tau_3 u] dR$$

$$\frac{F_{bq}}{T} = \frac{1}{t_0} \int z_0 \left\{ (\text{tr}[\tau_3 u^\dagger \tau_3 u])^2 - 1 \right\} dR$$

D. Chakraborty et al. PRB (2018)

The context of strong coupling : doping a Mott insulator

Resonating Valence Bond (RVB)



$$H = P \left[- \sum_{\langle ij \rangle, \sigma} t_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j - \frac{1}{4} n_i n_j) \right] P$$

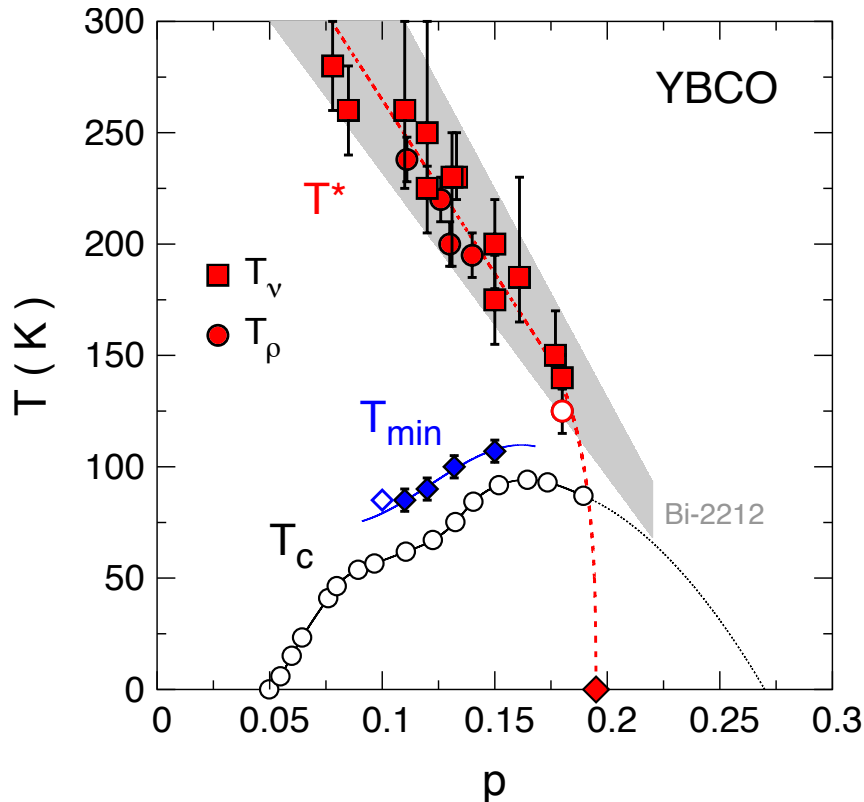
Anderson, Lee, Nagaosa, Rice etc...

P: projection on no double occupancy

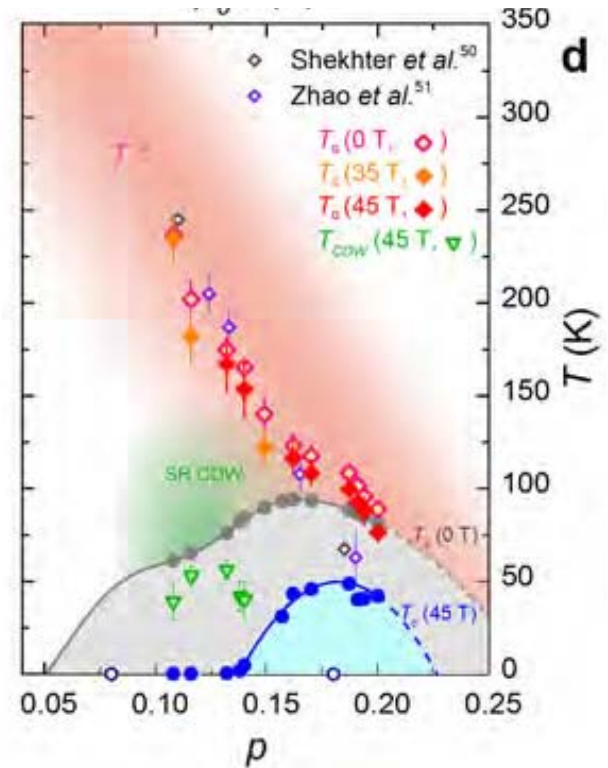
The extend of the Cooper pairs **phase fluctuations** regime
 Nernst effect (Ong, Behnia), transport (Rullier-Albenque,
 Sebastian), Squid spectroscopy (Lesueur)...

The presence of a partner to SC pairing inhibits the
 visibility of phase fluctuations in transport and Nernst
 effect (Orgard, 2017)

Cyr-Choignière et al , (2017)

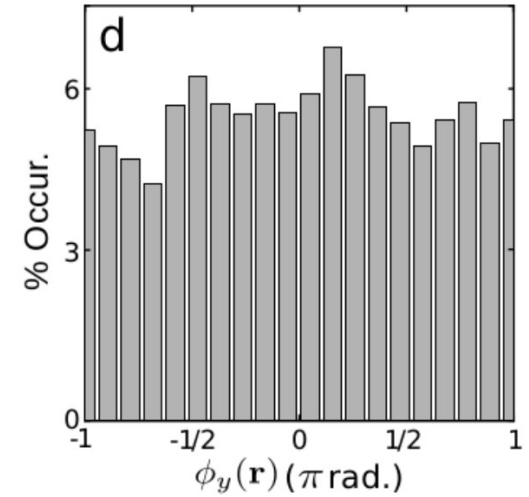
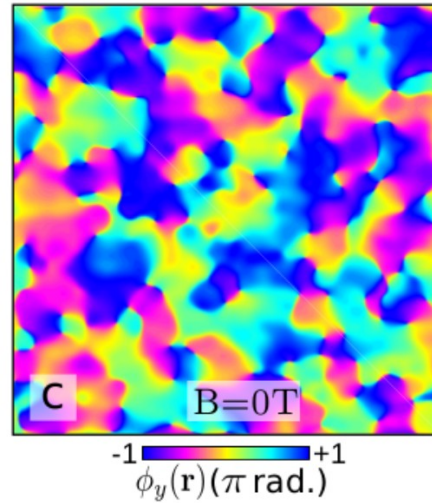


Hsu et al , (2017)

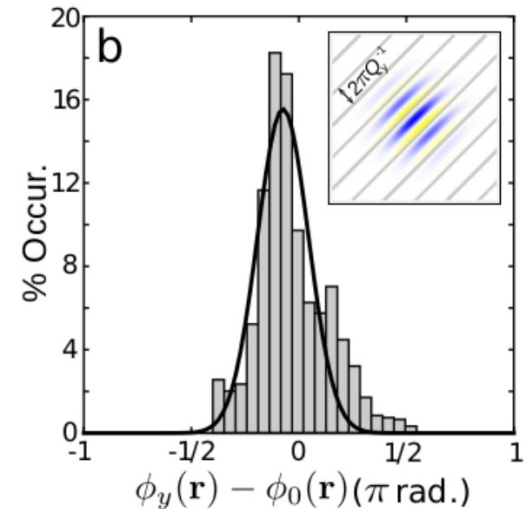
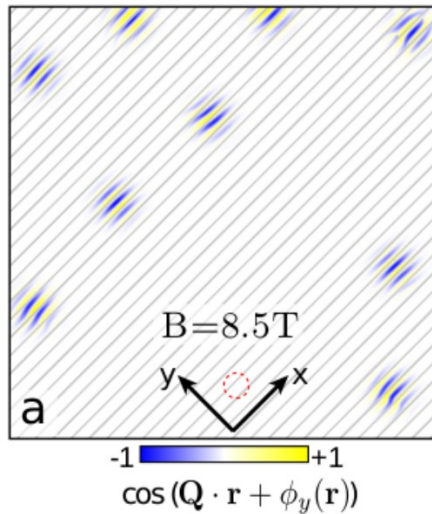


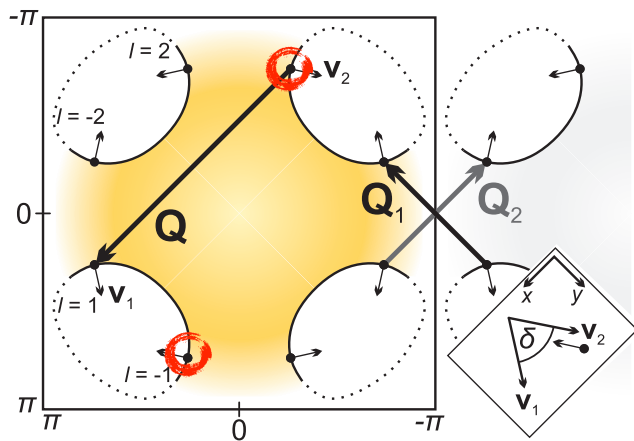
STM measurement of charge density modulation : $Re(\chi_{ij}) = \hat{d}|\chi_{ij}|\cos(\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \phi(\mathbf{r}))$

$B = 0 T$ random phase distribution :

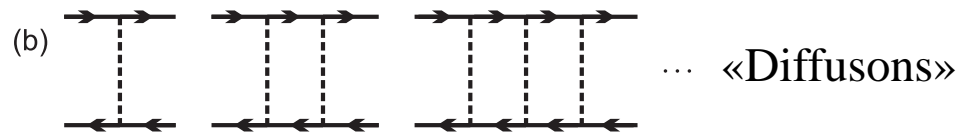
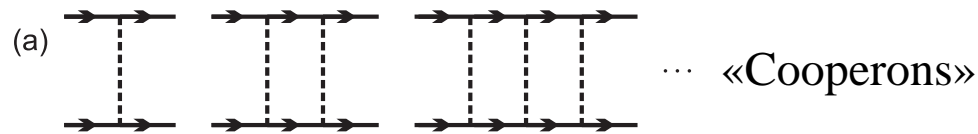


$B \neq 0 T$ centered distribution :





$$\delta \ll 1$$



$$\text{---} D_{\text{eff}} \text{---} = \text{---} D \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$$

Composite order parameter

$$c_{\mathbf{p}}^{\text{pp}} \langle (i\sigma_2)_{\alpha\beta} \psi_{\alpha,\mathbf{p}} \psi_{\beta,-\mathbf{p}} \rangle + c_{\mathbf{p}}^{\text{ph}} \langle \delta_{\alpha\beta} \psi_{\alpha,\mathbf{p}} \psi_{\beta,-\mathbf{p}}^* \rangle,$$

SU(2) symmetry and fluctuations

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_- & \Delta_+ \\ -\Delta_+^* & \Delta_-^* \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad |\Delta_+|^2 + |\Delta_-|^2 = 1$$

^{89}Y NMR Evidence for a Fermi-Liquid Behavior in $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{6+x}$ H. Alloul, T. Ohno,^(a) and P. Mendels*Physique des Solides, Université de Paris-Sud, 91405 Orsay, France*

(Received 15 May 1989)

We report NMR shift ΔK and T_1 data of ^{89}Y taken from 77 to 300 K in $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{6+x}$ for $0.35 < x < 1$, from the insulating to the metallic state. A Korringa law and therefore a Fermi-liquid picture is found to apply for the spin part K_s of ΔK . The spin contribution $\chi_s(x, T)$ to χ_m is singled out, as the T variation of ΔK scales linearly with the macroscopic susceptibility χ_m . This implies that $\text{Cu}(3d)$ and $\text{O}(2p)$ holes do not have independent degrees of freedom. Their hybridization, which has a σ character, hardly varies with doping. These results put severe constraints on theoretical models of high- T_c cuprates.

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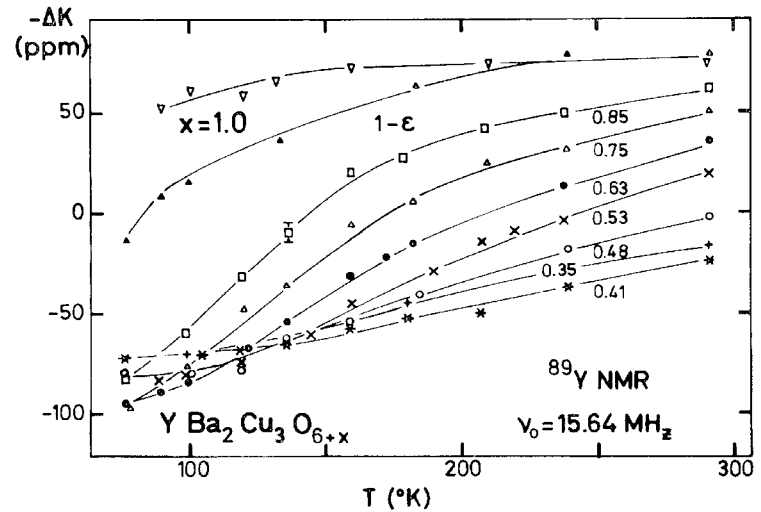
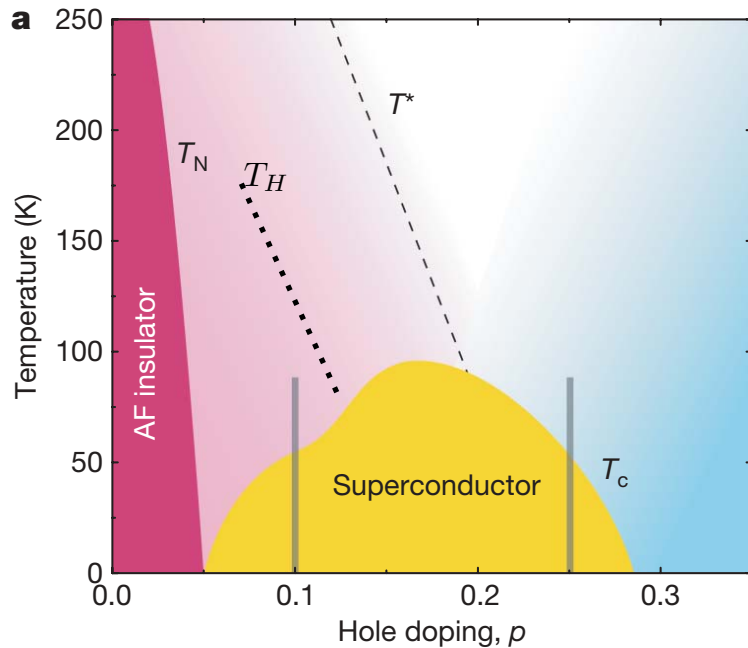
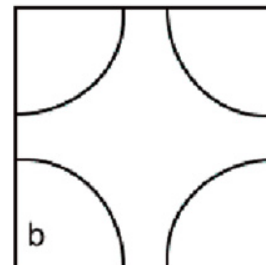
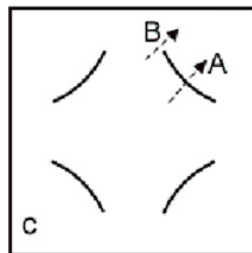
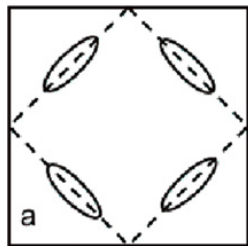
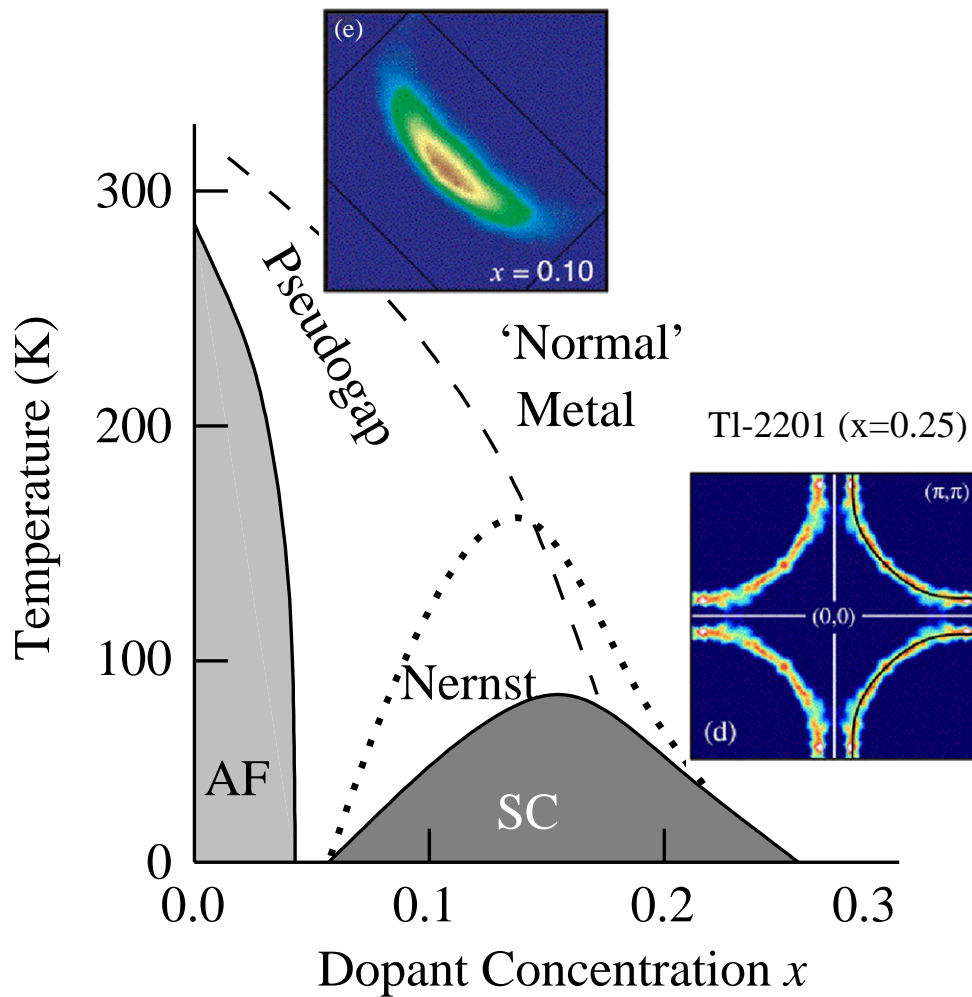


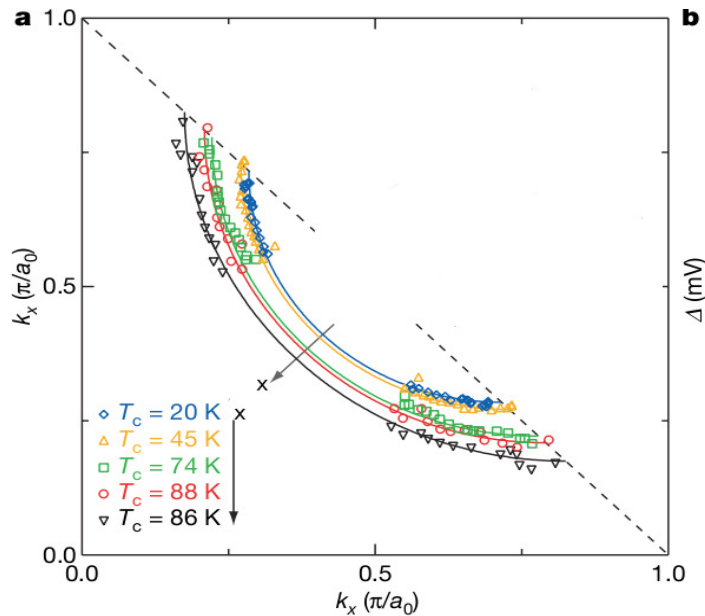
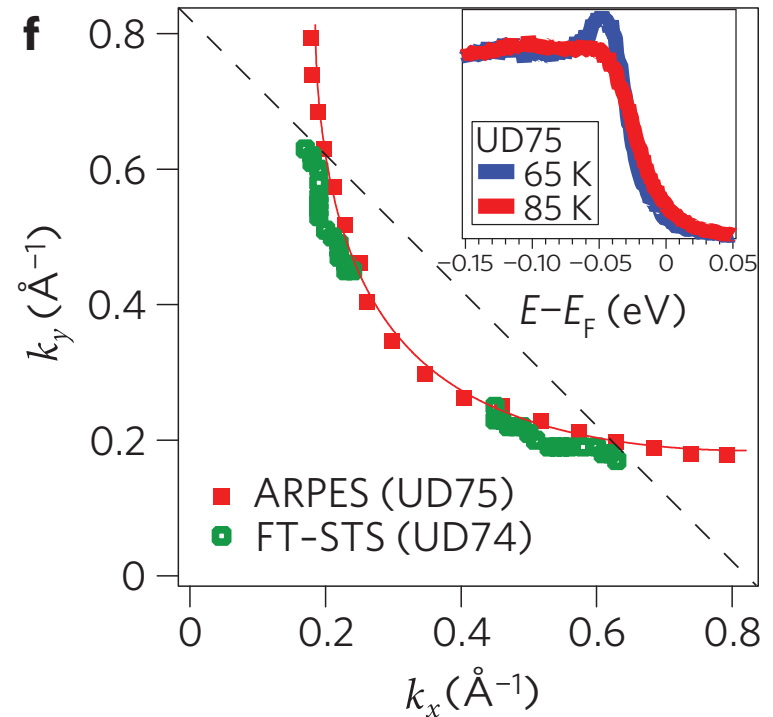
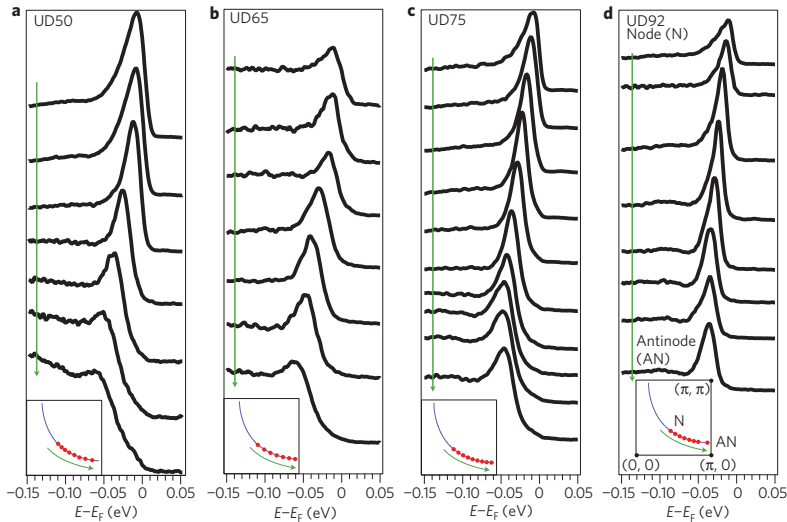
FIG. 1. The shift ΔK of the ^{89}Y line, referenced to YCl_3 plotted vs T , from 77 to 300 K. The lines are guides to the eye.



NaCOCl ($x=0.1$)



Fractionalization in the PG phase ?



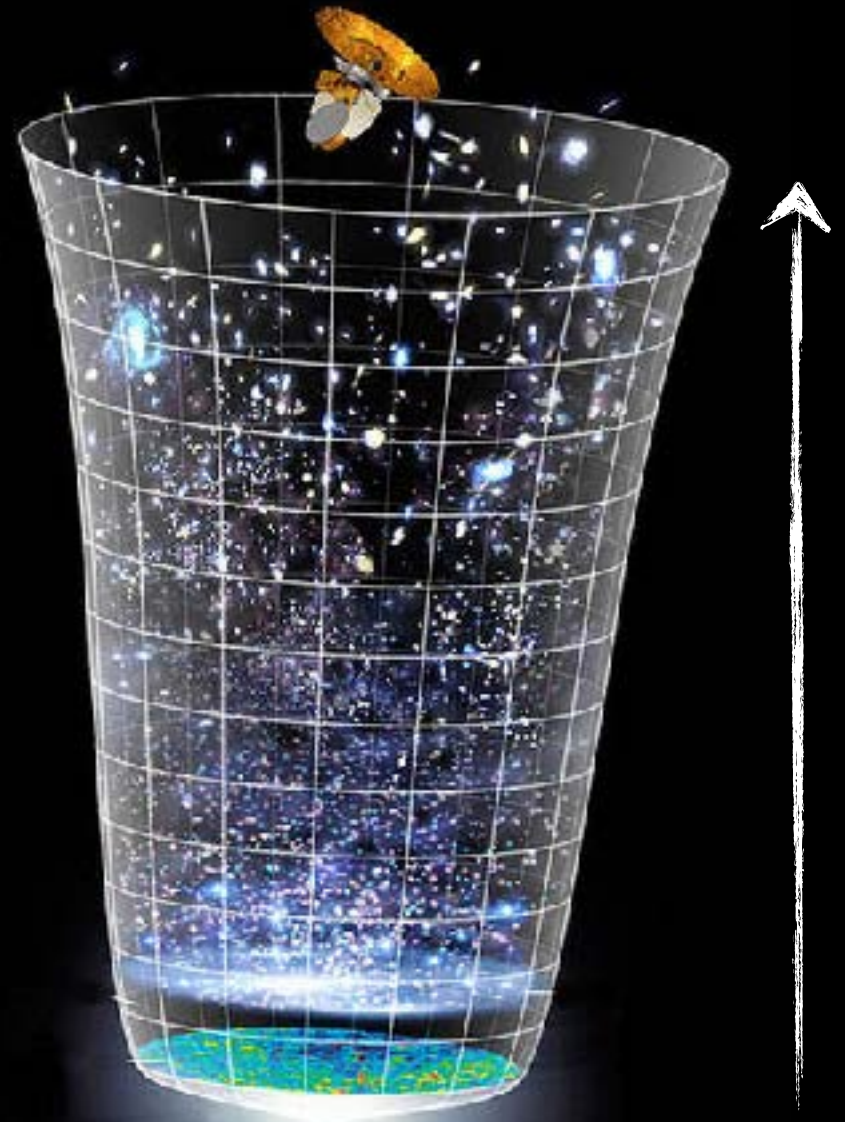
Is fractionalization compatible with the observation of Bogoliubov QP in the anti-nodal region ?

Coherence of the electrons ?

Amplitude
Fluctuations

Phase
fluctuations

Condensate



The concept of SU(2) symmetry

C.N. Yang & S-C. Zhang (1989)

Pseudo-Spins

$$\eta^+ = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q}\downarrow}^\dagger$$

$$\eta_z = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} + c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q}\downarrow}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q}\downarrow} - 1 \right)$$

l=1 representation

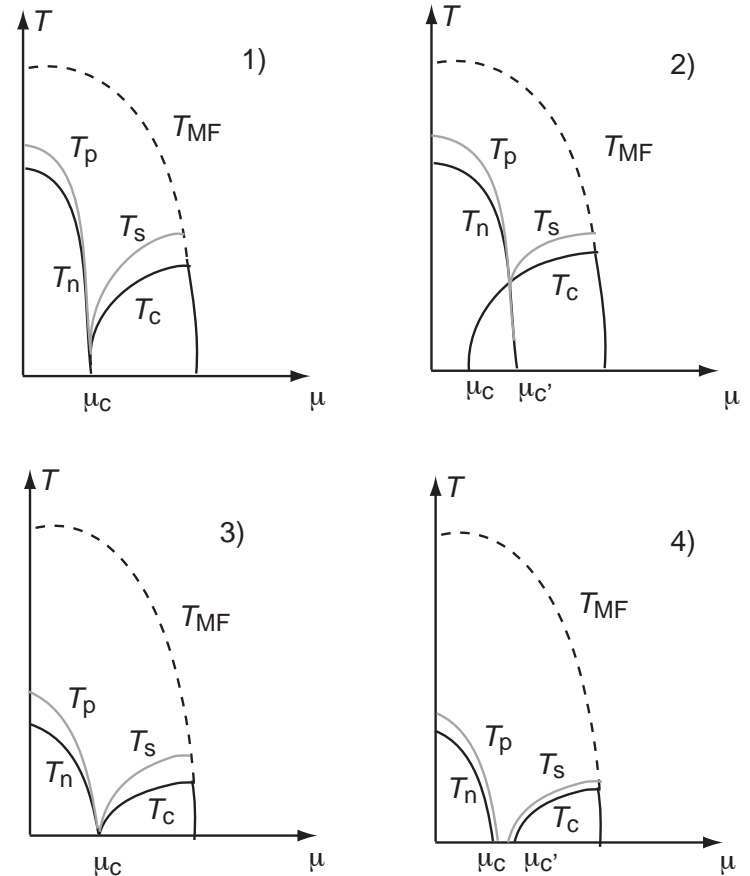
$$\Delta_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger,$$

$$\Delta_0 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \sigma} c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q}\sigma},$$

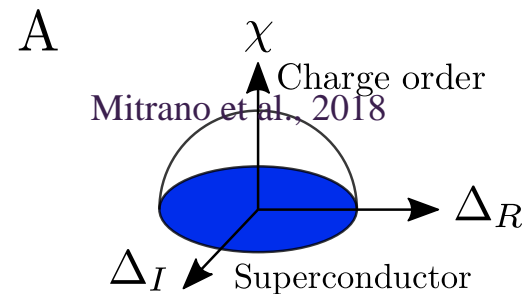
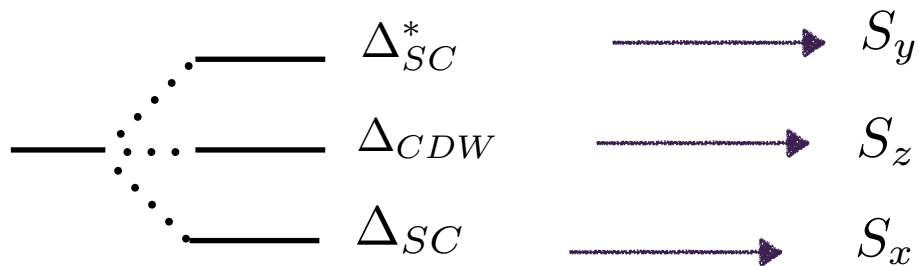
$$\Delta_{-1} = -\Delta_1^\dagger,$$

$$[\eta^\pm, \Delta_m] = \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m \pm 1)} \Delta_{m \pm 1},$$

$$[\eta_z, \Delta_m] = m \Delta_m.$$



0(3) non linear σ -model



Topological structure:
Skyrmions in the pseudo spin space

