

Life as a theorist without a small parameter

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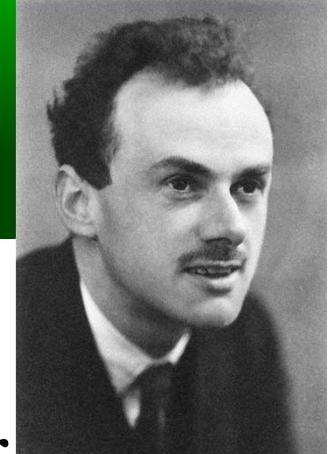
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Dirac (1902-1984)

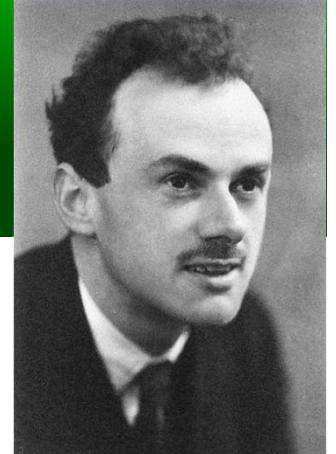


- The underlying physical laws necessary for the mathematical theory of a large part of physics and the whole of chemistry are thus completely known, and the difficulty is only that the exact application of these laws leads to equations much too complicated to be soluble.
 - *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London. Series A, Containing Papers of a Mathematical and Physical Character*, Vol. 123, No. 792 (6 April 1929)



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Dirac



- It therefore becomes desirable that **approximate practical methods of applying quantum mechanics should be developed, which can lead to an explanation of the main features of complex atomic systems without too much computation.**



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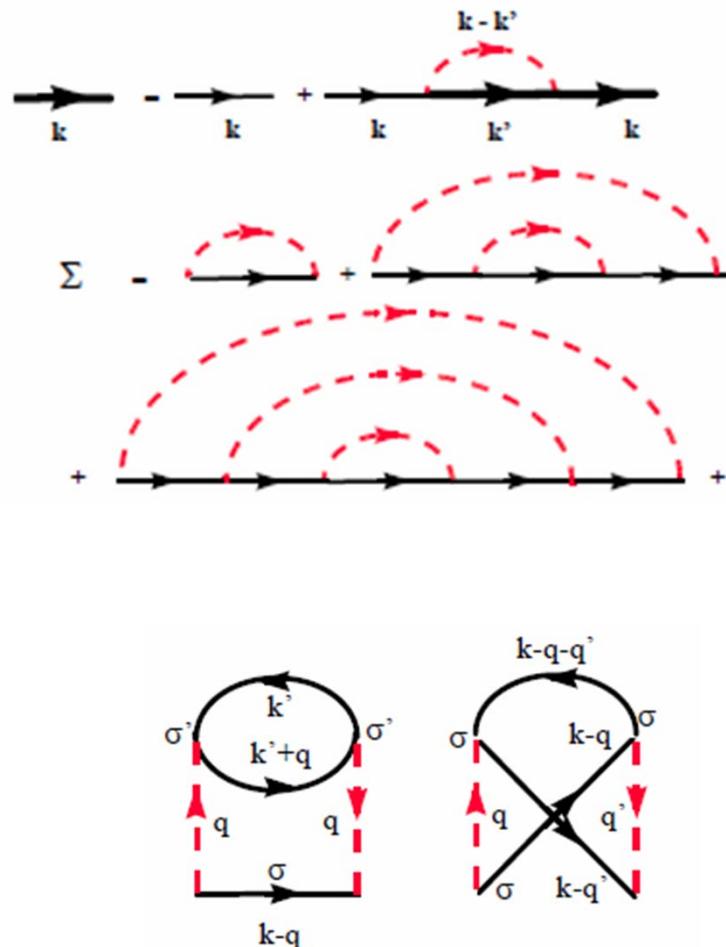
The rule of the small parameter



R. Feynman:1918-1988



K.G. Wilson:1936 –2013



Computers! Monte Carlo algorithm

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Equation of State Calculations by Fast Computing Machines

NICHOLAS METROPOLIS, ARIANNA W. ROSENBLUTH, MARSHALL N. ROSENBLUTH, AND AUGUSTA H. TELLER,
Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico

AND

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(Received March 6, 1953)

A general method, suitable for fast computing machines, for investigating such properties as equations of state for substances consisting of interacting individual molecules is described. The method consists of a modified Monte Carlo integration over configuration space. Results for the two-dimensional rigid-sphere system have been obtained on the Los Alamos MANIAC and are presented here. These results are compared to the free volume equation of state and to a four-term virial coefficient expansion.

I. INTRODUCTION

THE purpose of this paper is to describe a general method, suitable for fast electronic computing machines, of calculating the properties of any substance which may be considered as composed of interacting individual molecules. Classical statistics is assumed, only two-body forces are considered, and the potential

II. THE GENERAL METHOD FOR AN ARBITRARY POTENTIAL BETWEEN THE PARTICLES

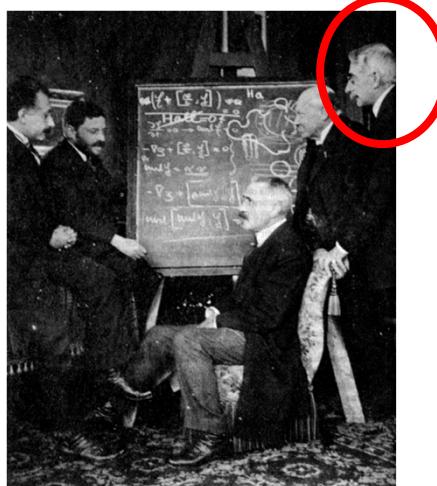
In order to reduce the problem to a feasible size for numerical work, we can, of course, consider only a finite number of particles. This number N may be as high as several hundred. Our system consists of a square† containing N particles. In order to minimize the surface effects we suppose the complete substance to be periodic

Fermions

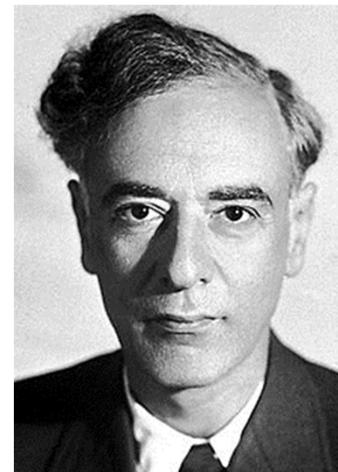


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Broken symmetry – mean-field



Pierre Weiss: 1865 - 1940



Lev Landau: 1908-1968

The theory of everything

$$H = K + V_{e-e} + V_{e-i} + V_{i-i} + V_{s-o}$$

- 10-1000 eV vs 10 meV (3-5 orders of magnitude)
- Broken symmetry (lattice) (Bands: Bloch)
- Density Functional Theory (Hohenberg-Kohn-Sham)
 - Ground state
 - Basis for perturbation theory
- Fermi liquid theory (Landau)
- Effective Hamiltonians (e.g. spin models)
- Moore's law
- Better algorithms: beating Moore's law.



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Superconductivity

Leon Cooper

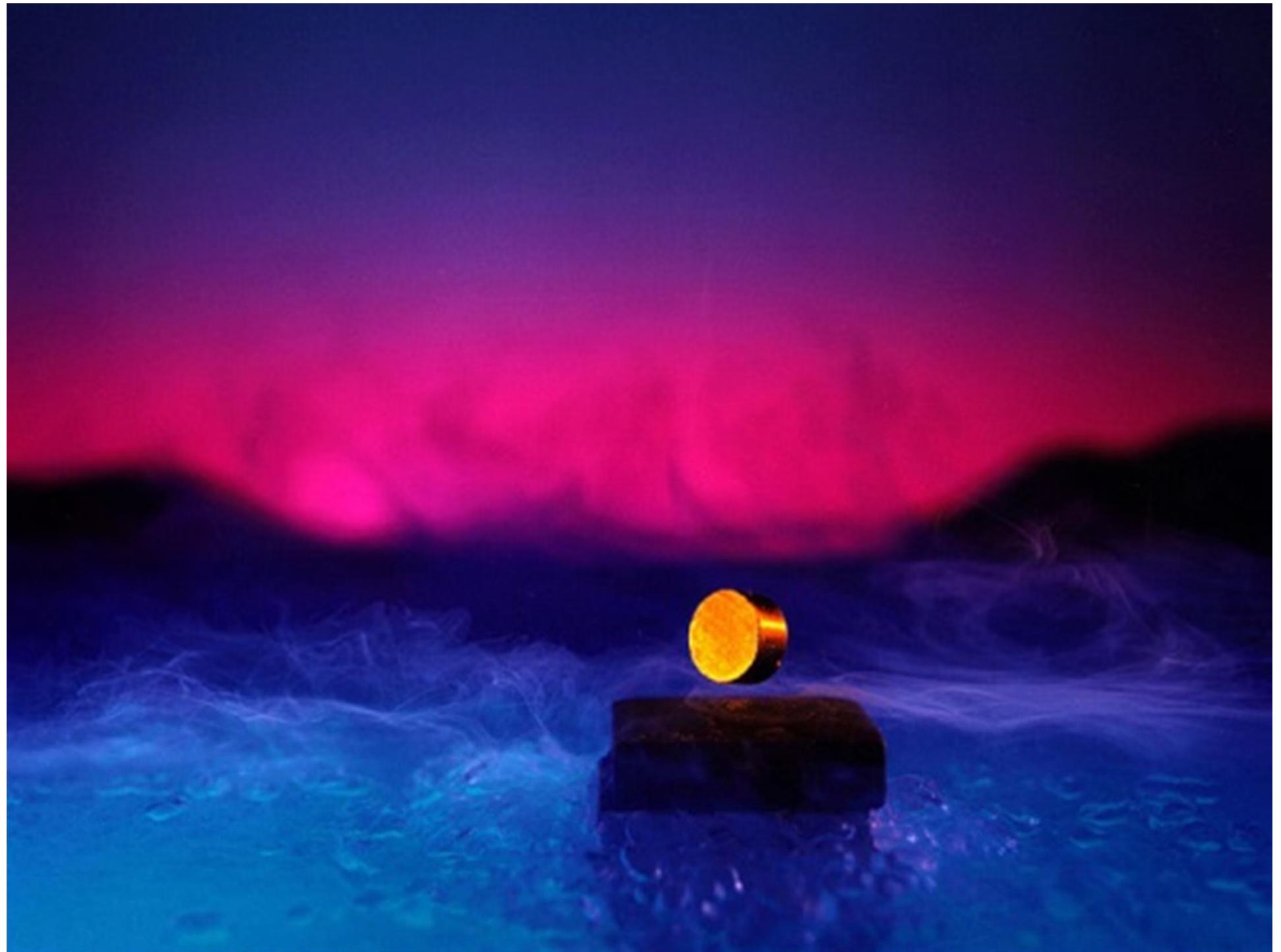


John Bardeen*

Robert Schrieffer



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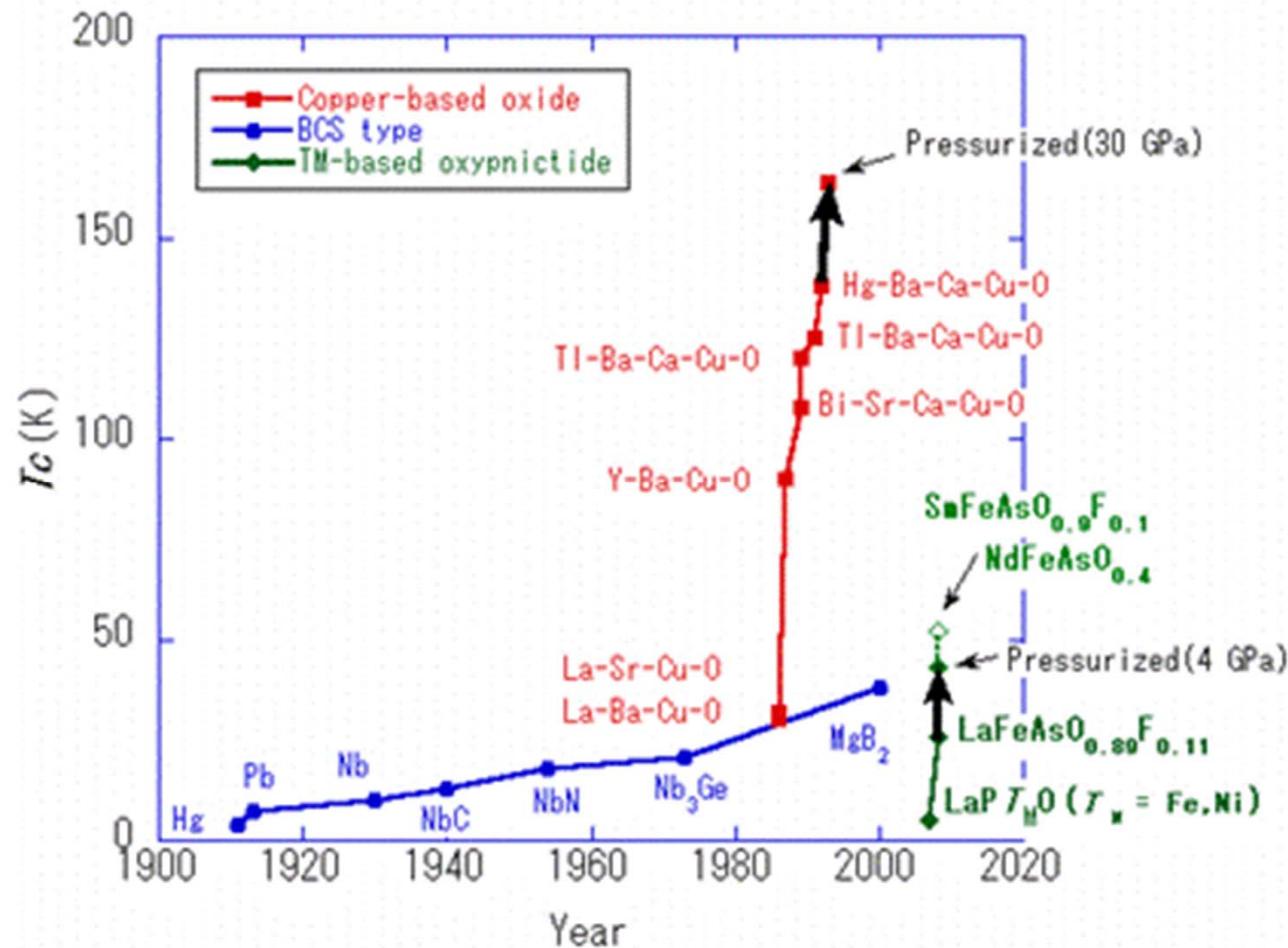
High temperature superconductors

Failure of
BCS theory
Band structure
and more



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New and old superconductors



H. Takahashi: JPSJ Online—News and Comments [June 10, 2008]

Atomic structure

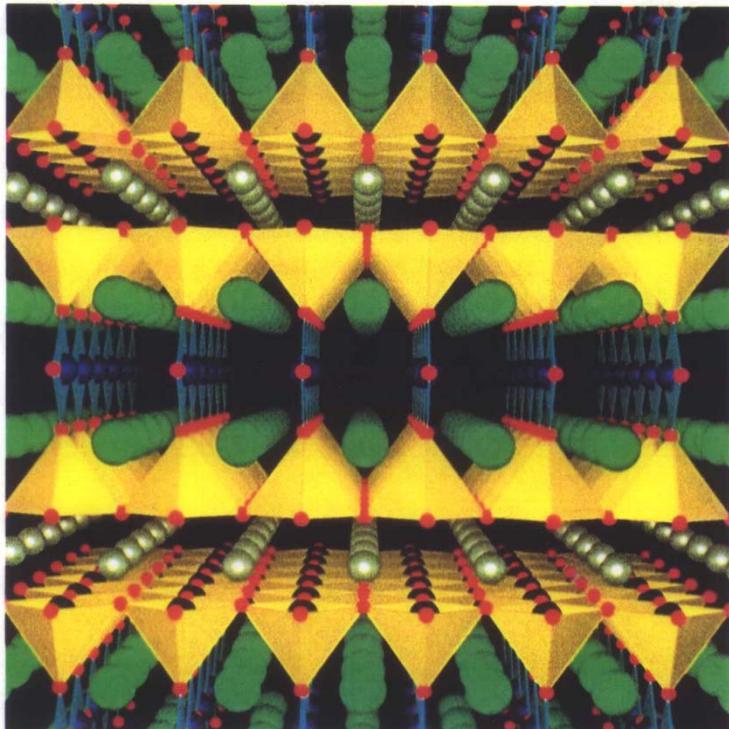
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How nonsense is deleted from genetic messages.

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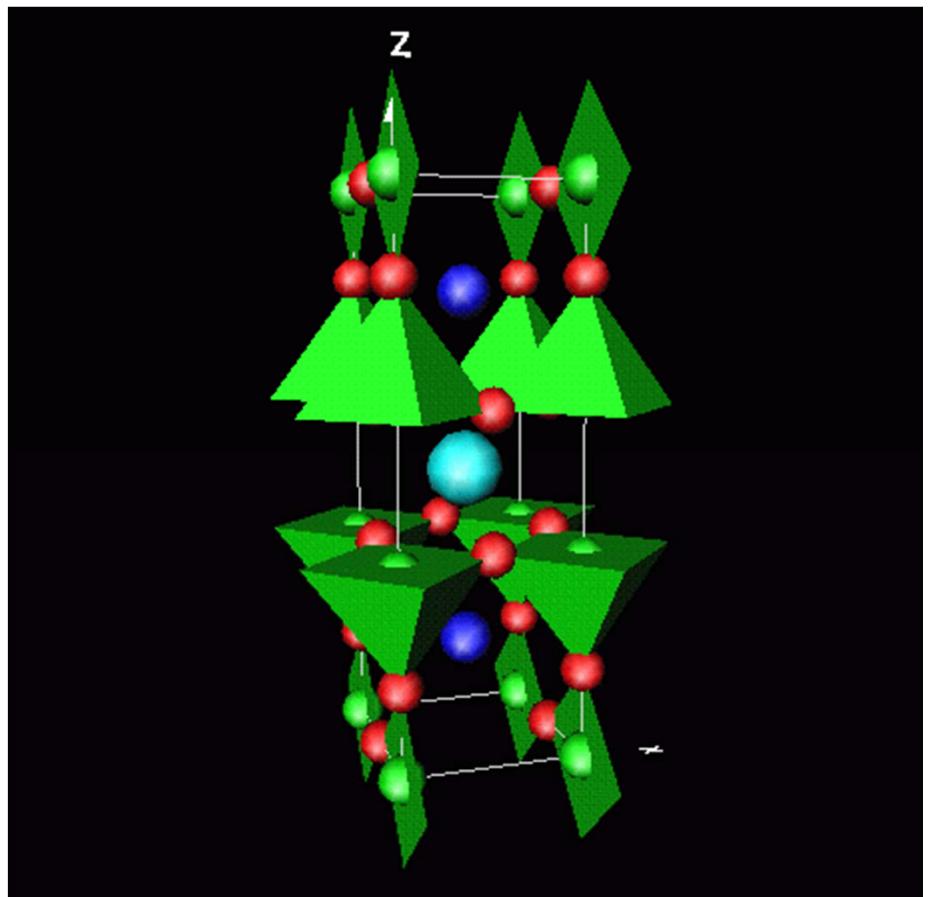
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High-Temperature Superconductor belongs to a family of materials that exhibit exotic electronic properties.

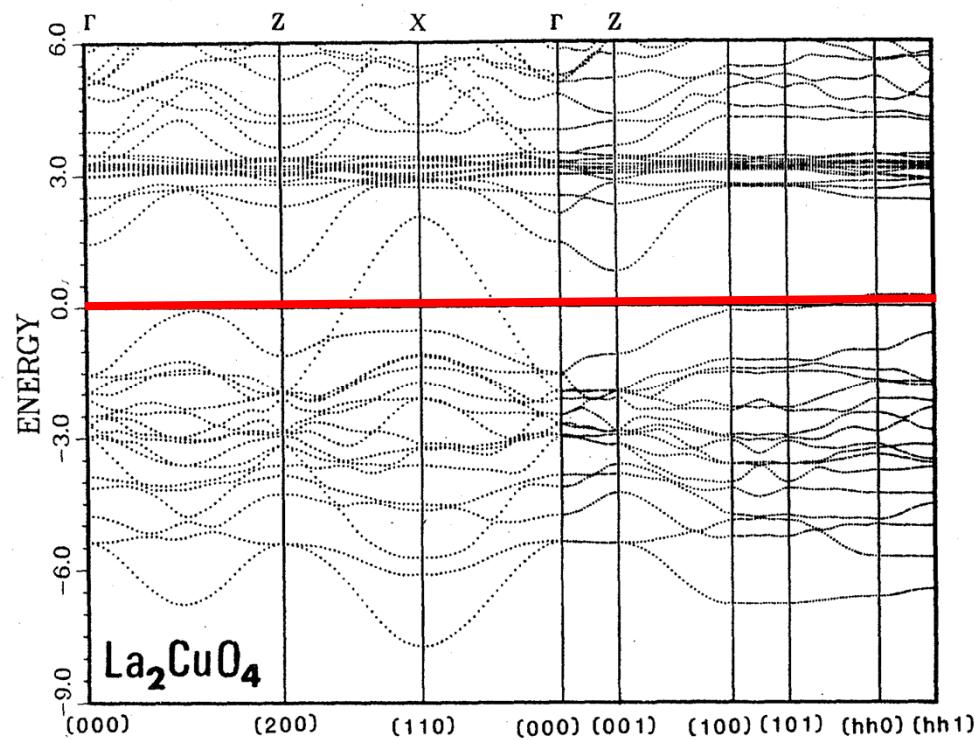


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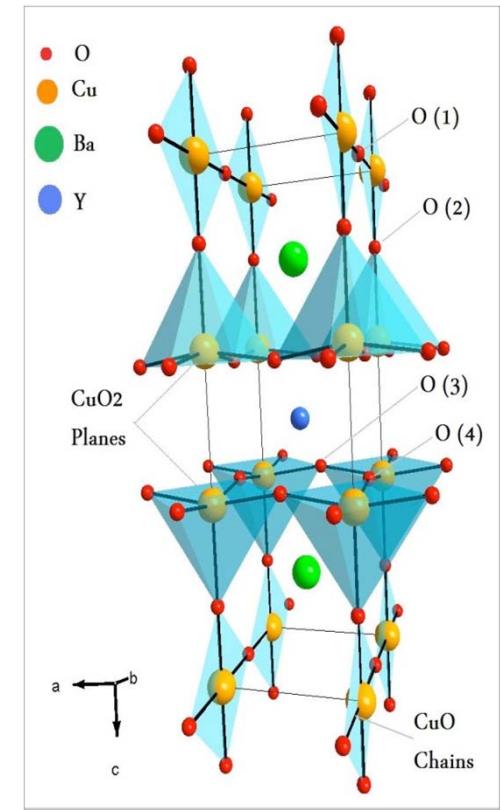
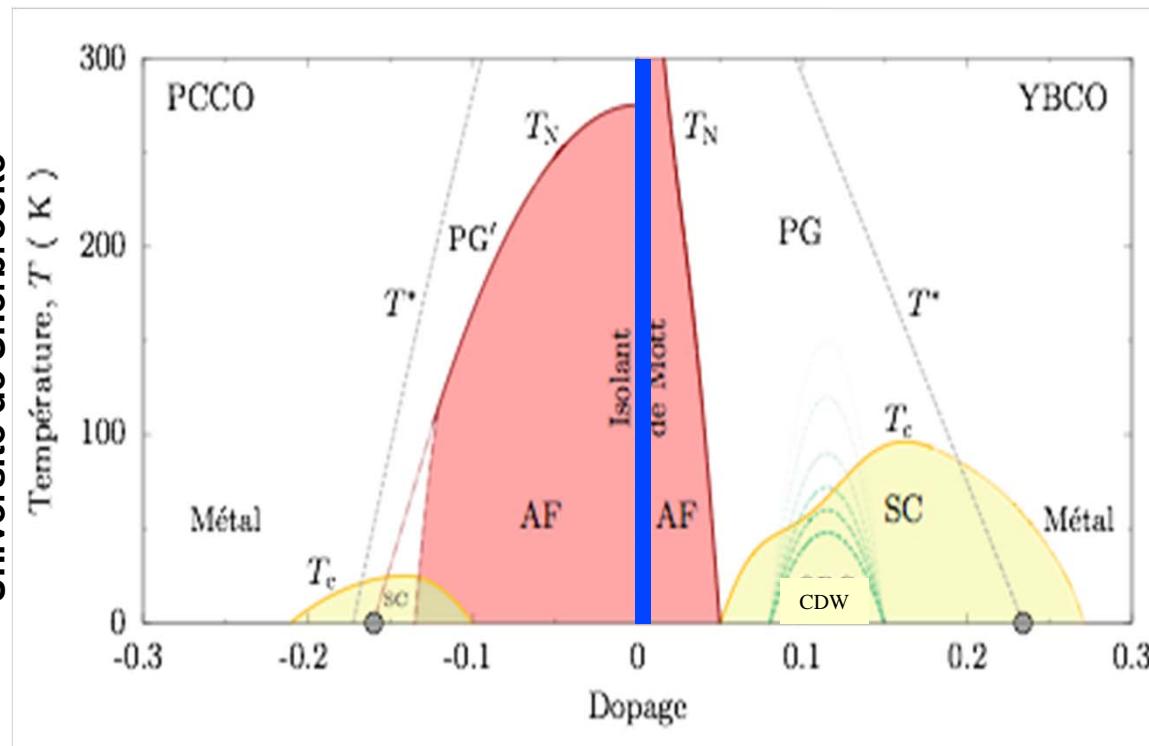
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Band structure for high T_c



W. Pickett, Rev. Mod. Phys. 1989

A puzzeling phase diagram



Breakdown of band theory: Half-filled band is metallic



Half-filled band: Not always a metal

NiO, Boer and Verway



Peierls, 1937



Mott, 1949



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Outline

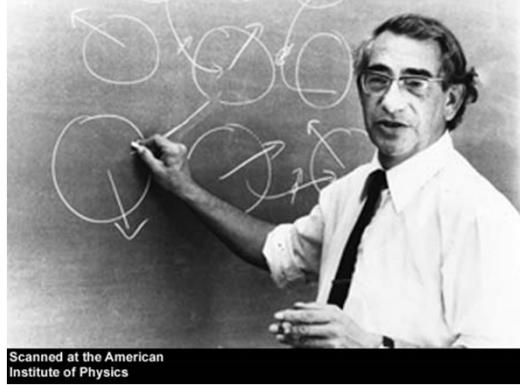
- The model
- Beyond perturbation theory
 - Weak to intermediate correlations TPSC
 - Electron-doped cuprates
 - Strong correlations DMFT
 - Hole-doped cuprates



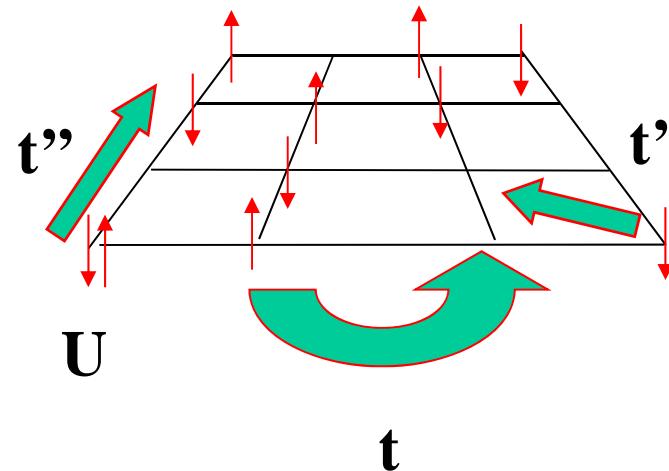
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2. The model

Hubbard model

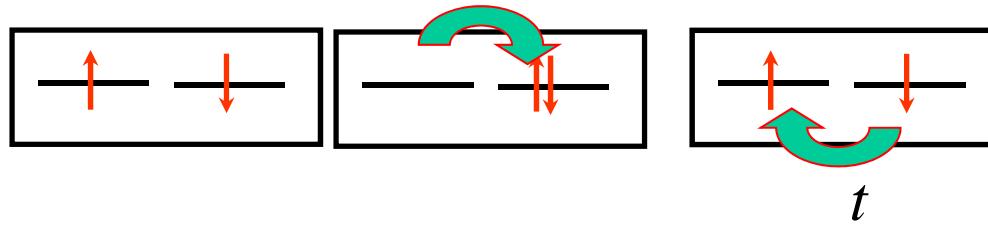


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1931-1980

$$H = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle \sigma} t_{i,j} (c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma}) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$



Effective model, Heisenberg: $J = 4t^2 / U$

Attn: Charge transfer insulator



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Theoretical considerations



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Another way to look at the many-particle problem

$$F[\phi] = -T \ln Z[\phi] = -T \ln \text{Tr} \left[e^{-\beta(H-\mu N)} T_\tau e^{-\int \int \psi^\dagger(\bar{1}) \phi(\bar{1}, \bar{2}) \psi(\bar{2})} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{T} \frac{\delta F [\phi]}{\delta \phi(1, 2)} = \mathcal{G}(2, 1)$$

$$\Omega[\mathcal{G}] = F[\phi] - \text{Tr}[\phi \mathcal{G}] \quad \frac{1}{T} \frac{\delta \Omega [\mathcal{G}]}{\delta \mathcal{G}(1, 2)} = -\phi(2, 1)$$

$$\Omega[\mathcal{G}] = \Phi[\mathcal{G}] - \text{Tr}[(\mathcal{G}_0^{-1} - \mathcal{G}^{-1}) \mathcal{G}] + \text{Tr} \left[\ln \left(\frac{-\mathcal{G}}{-\mathcal{G}_\infty} \right) \right]$$



$$\frac{1}{T} \frac{\delta \Phi [\mathcal{G}]}{\delta \mathcal{G}(1, 2)} = \Sigma(2, 1)$$

$$U_{sp} = \frac{\delta \Sigma_\uparrow}{\delta G_\downarrow} - \frac{\delta \Sigma_\uparrow}{\delta G_\uparrow}$$

J. Schwinger: 1918-1994

Focus on physically meaningful quantities

$$\Phi[G] = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} + \dots$$

$$\text{Diagram 1} = -\text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3}$$

$$\frac{\delta \Phi[G]}{\delta G} = \sum \text{Diagram 4} + \text{Diagram 5}$$

Luttinger and Ward 1960, Baym and Kadanoff (1961)



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Two-Particle Self-Consistent Theory (Vilk)



Yury Vilk



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Two-Particle Self-Consistent Theory (how it works, $U < 8t$)

- General philosophy
 - Impose constraints and sum rules to find vertex
 - Conservation laws
 - $U_{sp} = U \frac{\langle n_\uparrow n_\downarrow \rangle}{\langle n_\uparrow \rangle \langle n_\downarrow \rangle}$
 - Pauli principle $\langle n^2 \rangle = \langle n_\sigma \rangle$
 - Local moment and local density sum-rules
- Get for free:
 - Mermin-Wagner theorem
 - Kanamori-Brückner screening
 - Consistency between one- and two-particle $\Sigma G = U \langle n_\sigma n_{-\sigma} \rangle$

Vilk, AMT J. Phys. I France, 7, 1309 (1997);

A.M.T. Chapt. 13, in *Theoretical Methods for Strongly Correlated Systems* Ed F. Mancini A. Avella, (Mahan, third edition)



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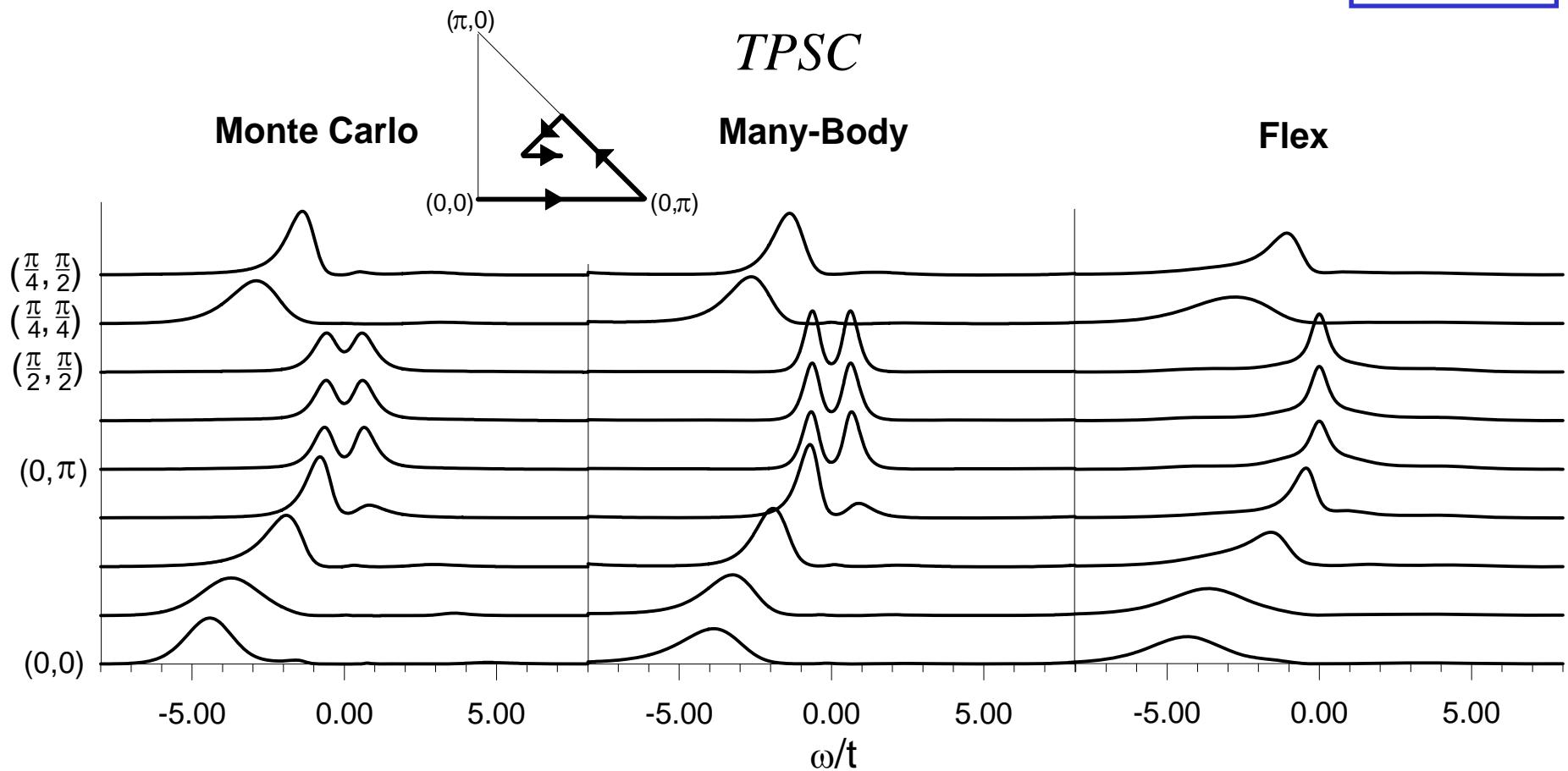
Benchmarks for TPSC



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Proofs...

$$U = +4$$
$$\beta = 5$$

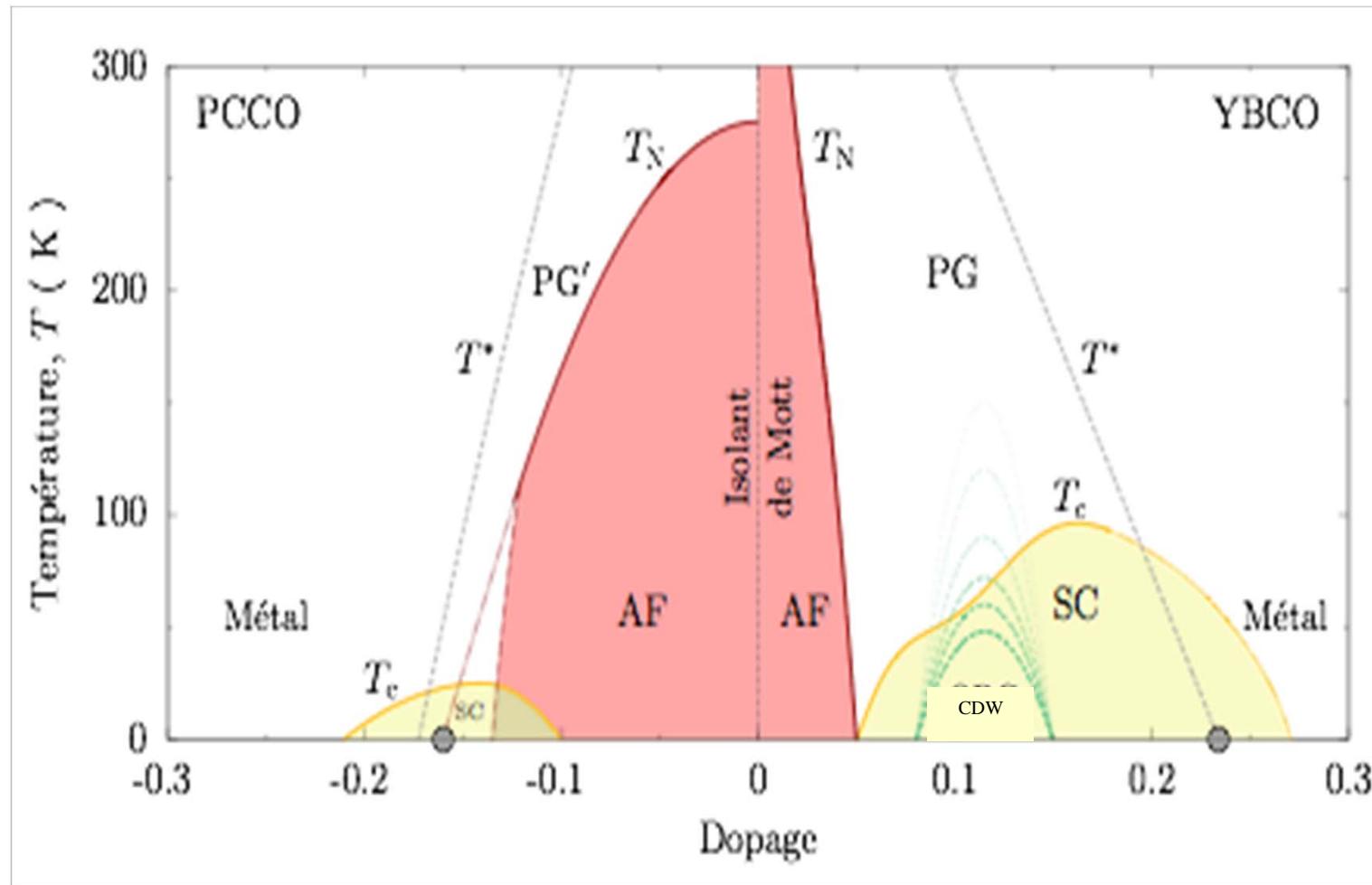


Calc. + QMC: Moukouri et al. P.R. B 61, 7887 (2000).

3. Electron-doped cuprates: normal state

Our road map

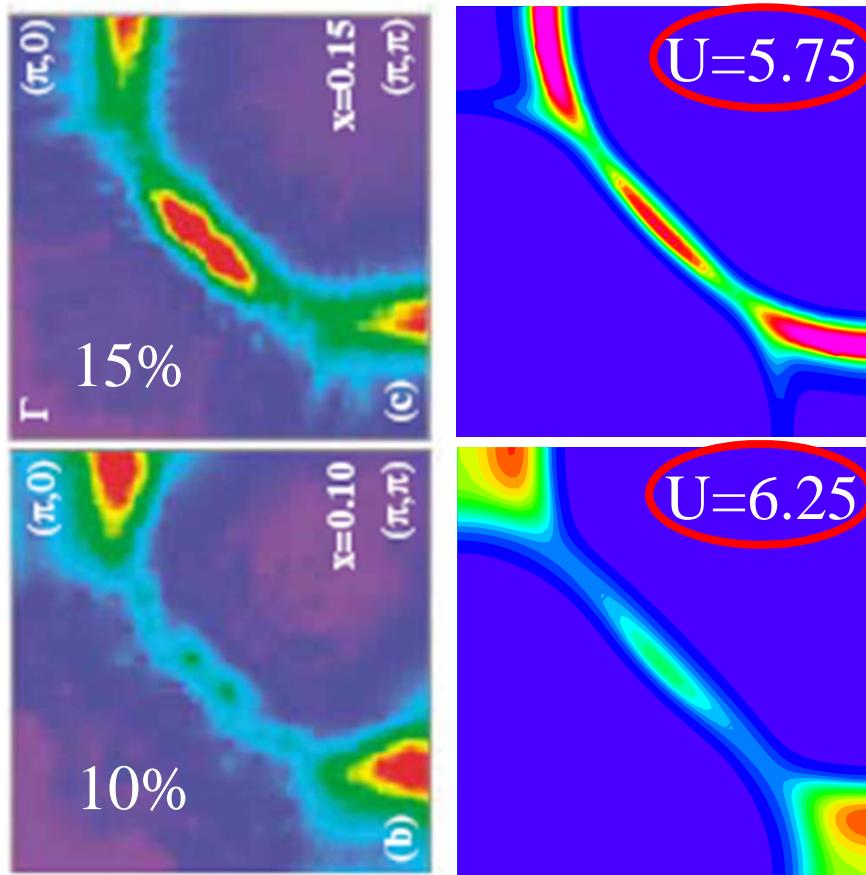
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Fermi surface plots

Hubbard repulsion U has to...



be not too large



increase for
smaller doping

Hankevych, Kyung, A.-M.S.T., PRL, sept. 2004

B.Kyung *et al.*, PRB **68**, 174502 (2003)

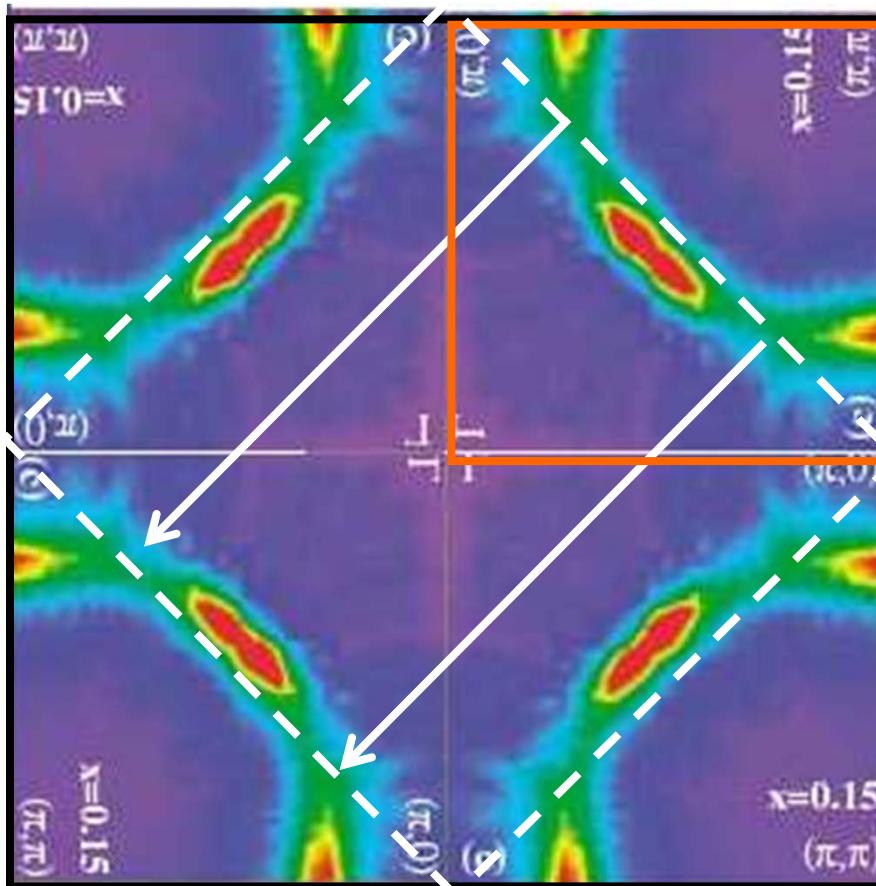


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Hot spots from AFM quasi-static scattering

Mermin-Wagner

$d = 2$



Vilk, A.-M.S.T (1997)
Kyung, Hankevych,
A.-M.S.T., PRL, 2004

$$\xi^* = 2.6(2) \xi_{\text{th}}$$

Motoyama, E. M. et al..
Nature
186–189 (2007).

Armitage et al. PRL 2001

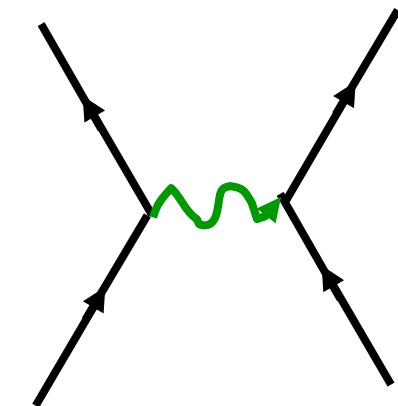
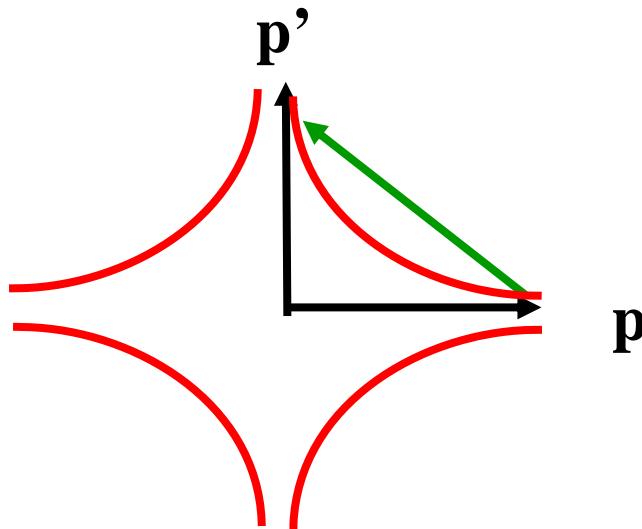
4. Electron-doped cuprates: superconductivity



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Cartoon « BCS » weak-coupling picture

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{p}} = -\frac{1}{2V} \sum_{\mathbf{p}'} U(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}') \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{p}'}}{E_{\mathbf{p}'}} (1 - 2n(E_{\mathbf{p}'}))$$



Béal–Monod, Bourbonnais, Emery
P.R. B. **34**, 7716 (1986).

Exchange of spin waves?
Kohn-Luttinger
 T_c with pressure

D. J. Scalapino, E. Loh, Jr., and J. E. Hirsch
P.R. B **34**, 8190-8192 (1986).

Kohn, Luttinger, P.R.L. **15**, 524 (1965).

P.W. Anderson Science 317, 1705 (2007)

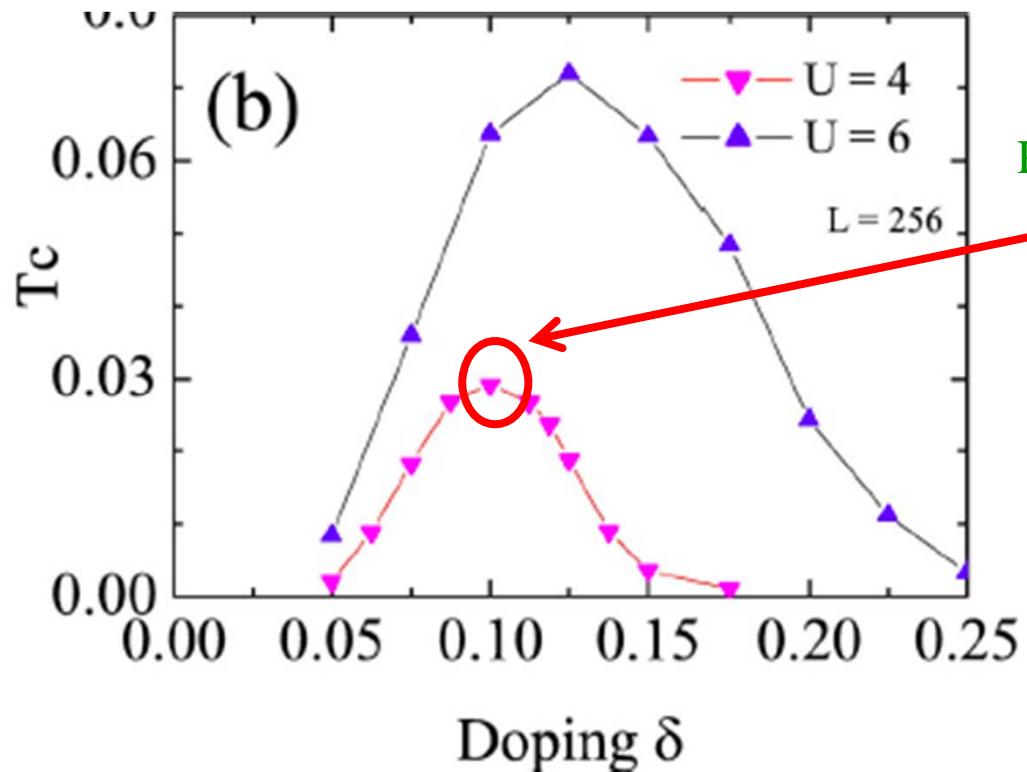
Results from TPSC

Satisfies Mermin-Wagner



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T_c from TPSC



T. Maier et al.
PRL **95**, 237001 (2005)

Kyung et al. PRB **68** (2003)



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5. Strong correlations: Dynamical Mean-Field Theory



Gabriel Kotliar



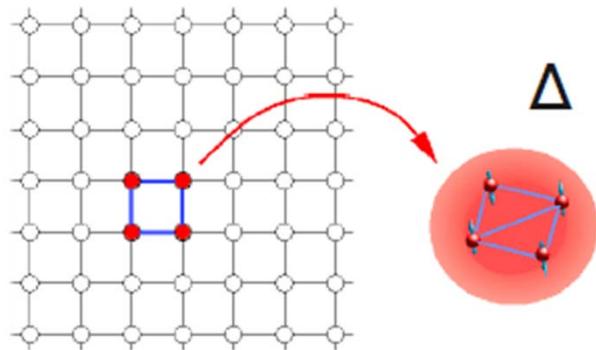
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C-DMFT

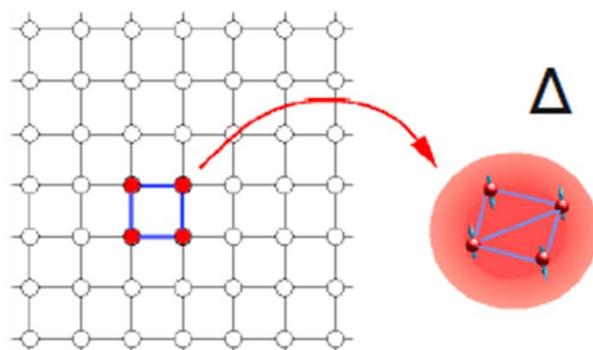
$$\Phi[G] = \text{Diagram of two nodes with one self-loop} + \text{Diagram of three nodes with one self-loop and one dashed loop} + \text{Diagram of four nodes with two self-loops and one dashed loop} + \dots$$



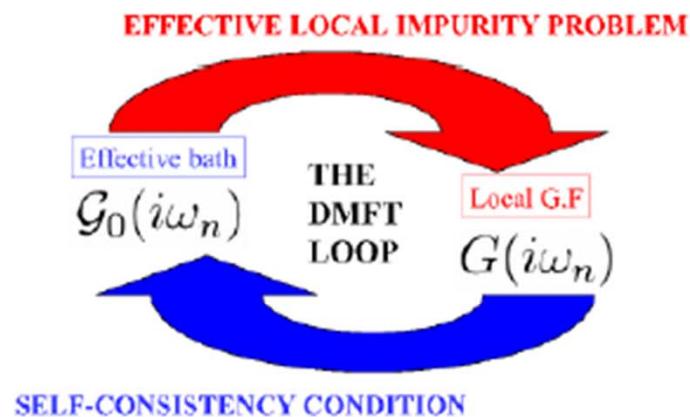
REVIEWS

- Maier, Jarrell et al., RMP. (2005)
- Kotliar et al. RMP (2006)
- AMST et al. LTP (2006)

C-DMFT



$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\psi^\dagger, \psi] e^{-S_c - \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_0^\beta d\tau' \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \psi_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger(\tau) \Delta(\tau, \tau') \psi_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau')}$$



Mean-field is not a trivial problem! Many impurity solvers.

Here: continuous time QMC

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- P. Werner, PRL 2006
 - P. Werner, PRB 2007
 - K. Haule, PRB 2007

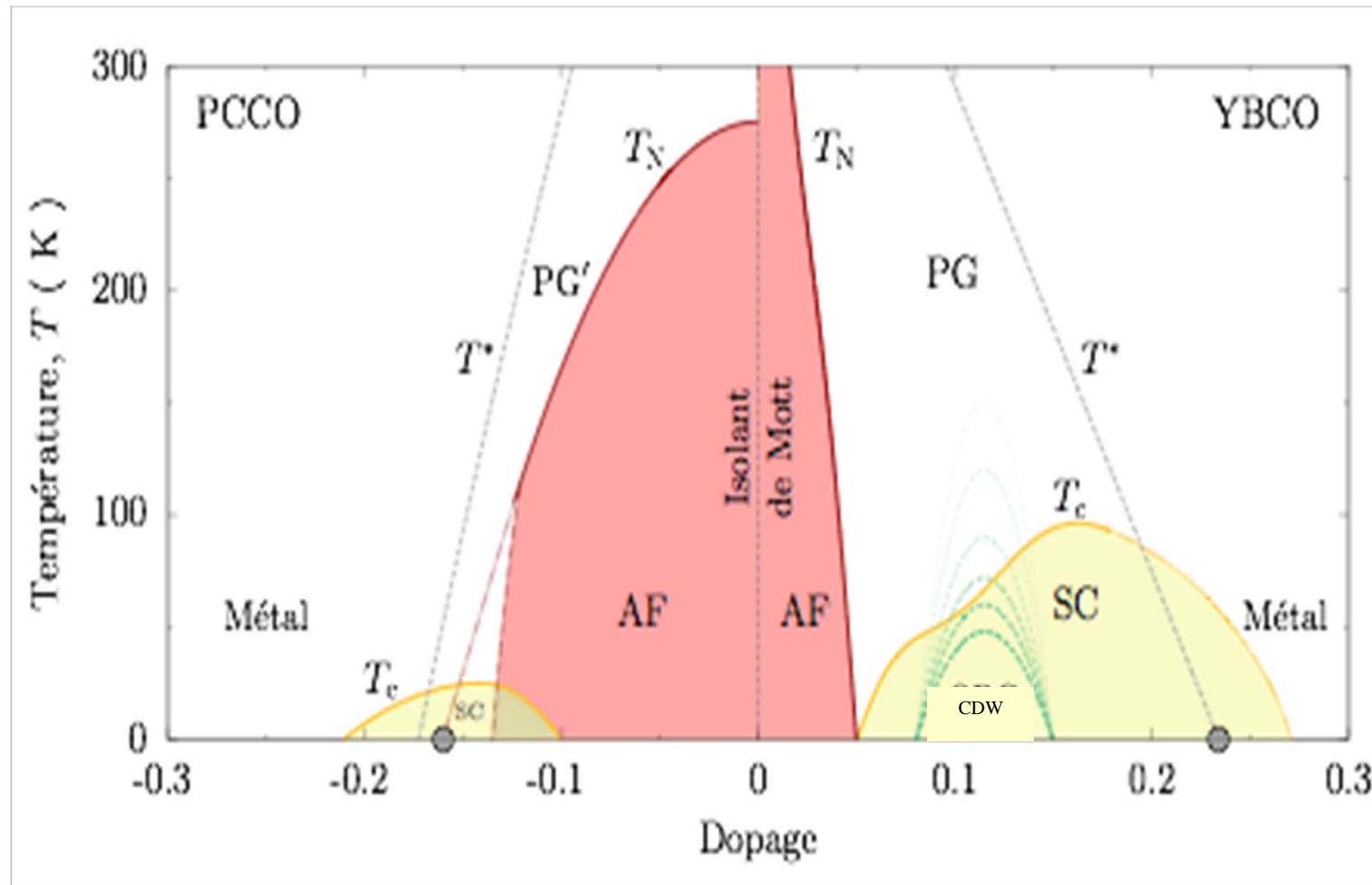
$$\Delta(i\omega_n) = i\omega_n + \mu - \Sigma_c(i\omega_n)$$

$$- \left[\sum_{\tilde{k}} \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu - t_c(\tilde{k}) - \Sigma_c(i\omega_n)} \right]^{-1}$$

6. Hole-doped cuprates: normal state

Our road map

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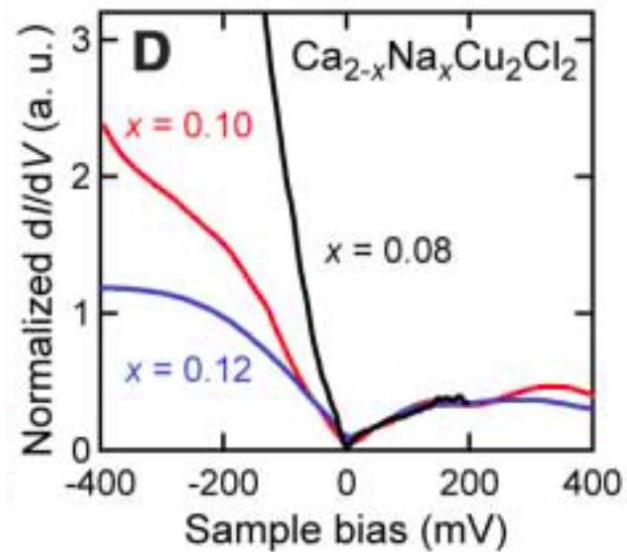
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h -doped are strongly correlated:
evidence from the normal state



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Density of states (STM)



Khosaka et al. *Science* **315**, 1380 (2007);

Pseudogap (theory)

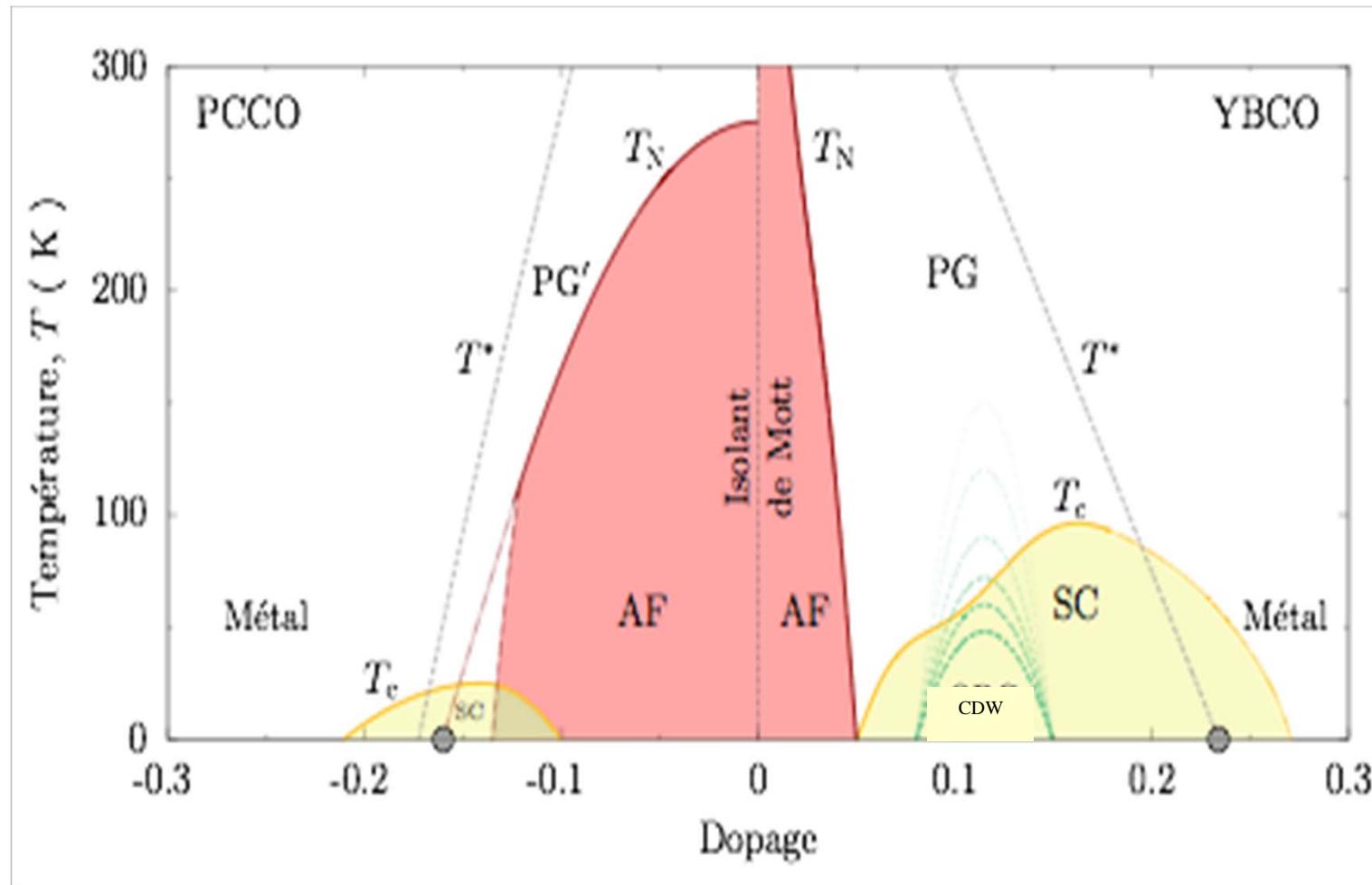
h-doped



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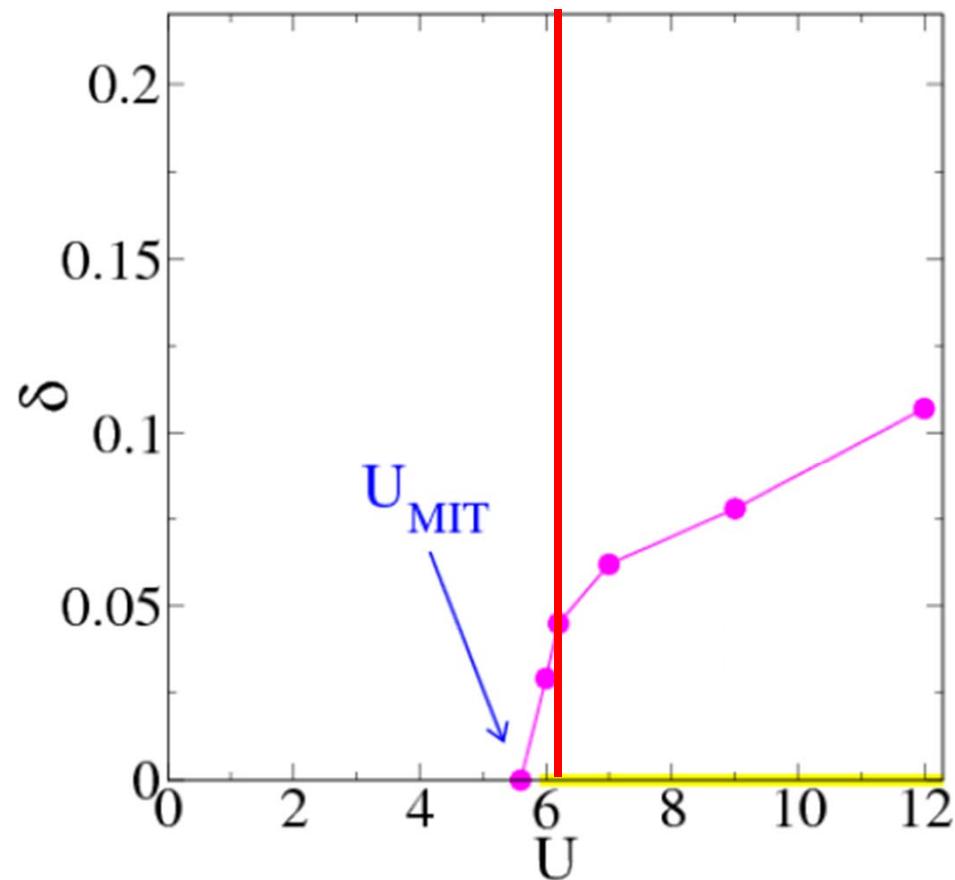
How does the pseudogap develops as a
function of T ?



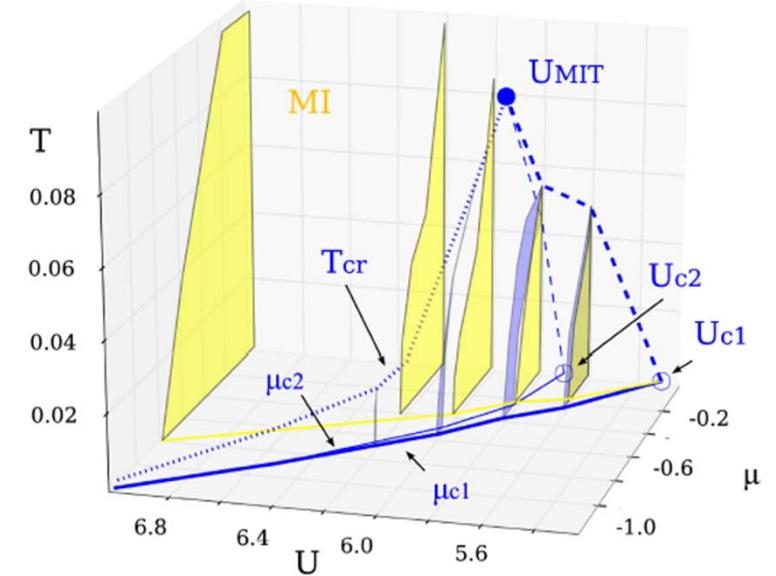
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Link to Mott transition up to optimal doping

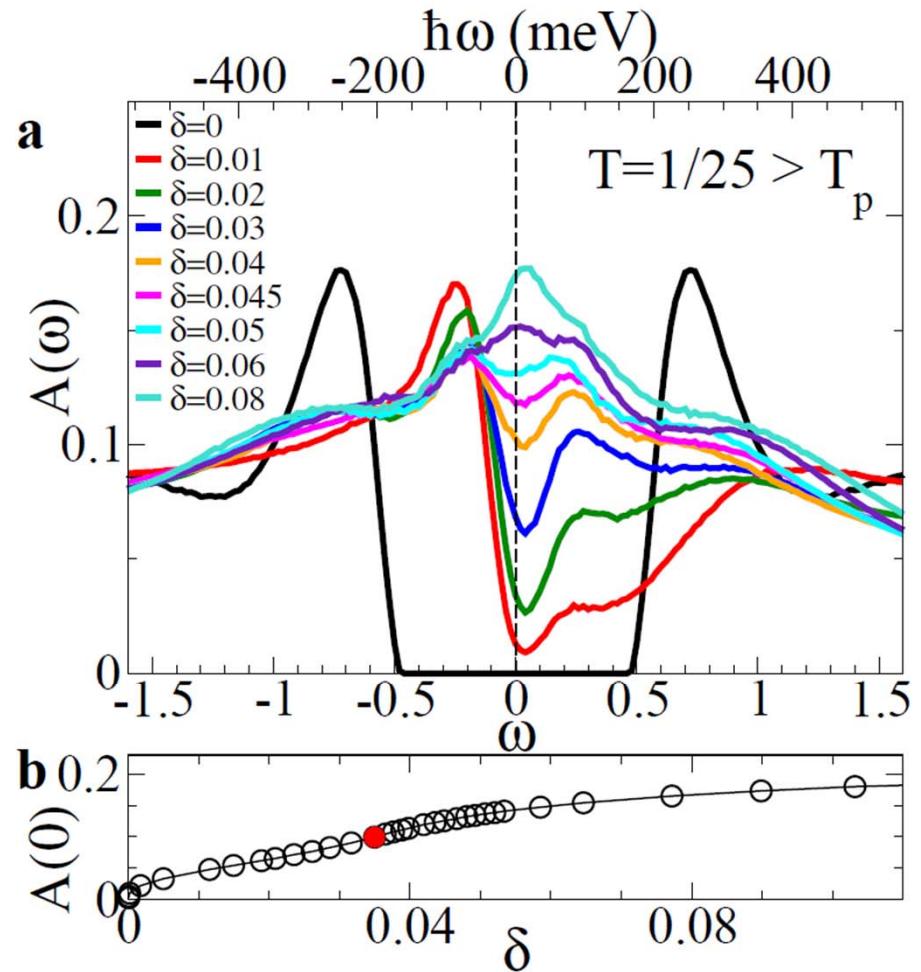
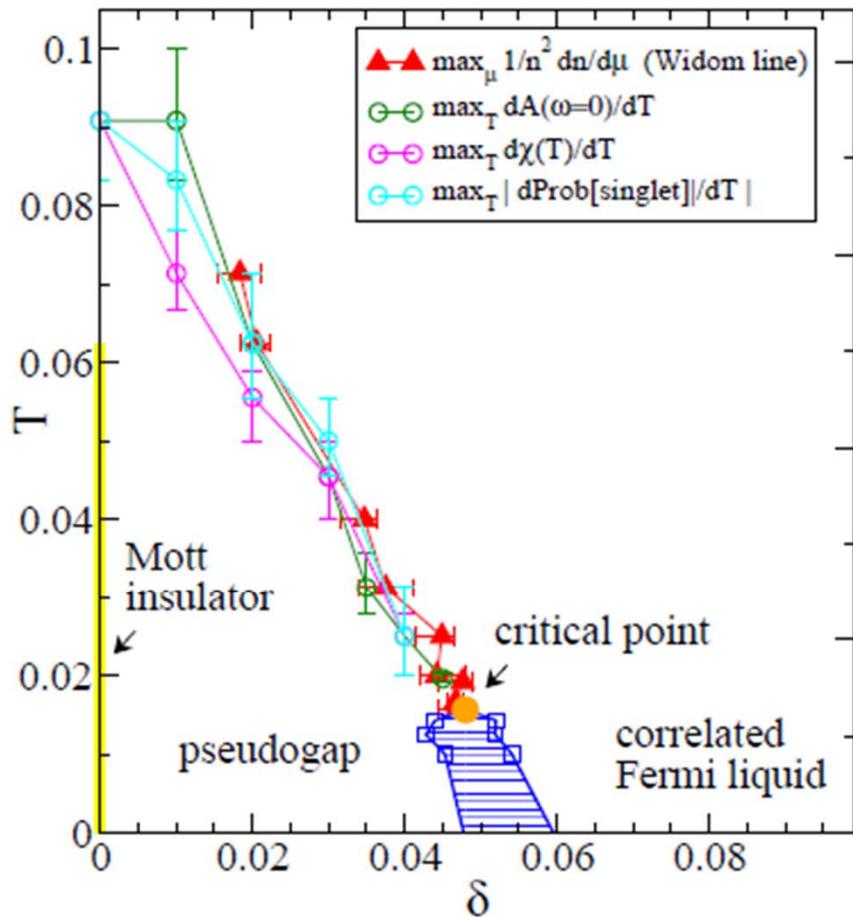
Doping dependence of critical point as a function of U



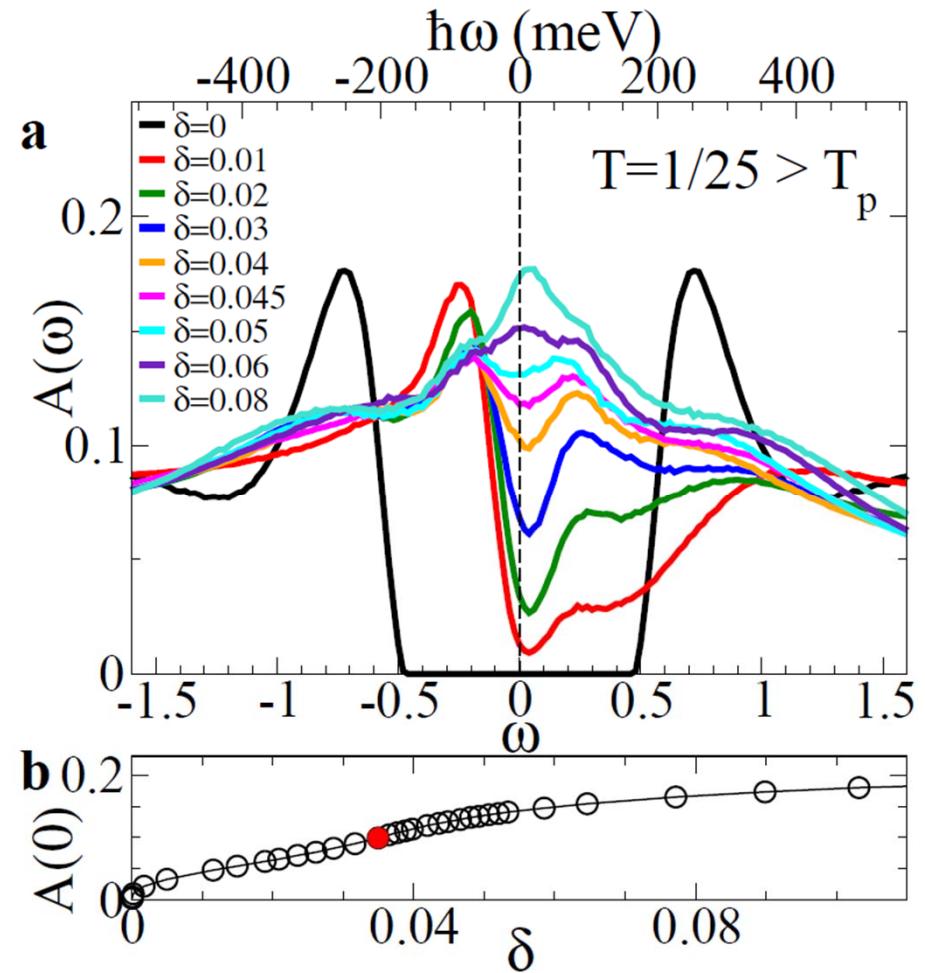
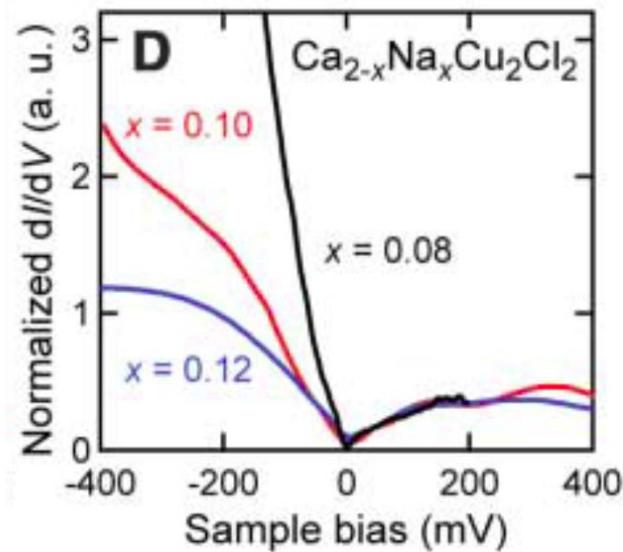
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Density of states



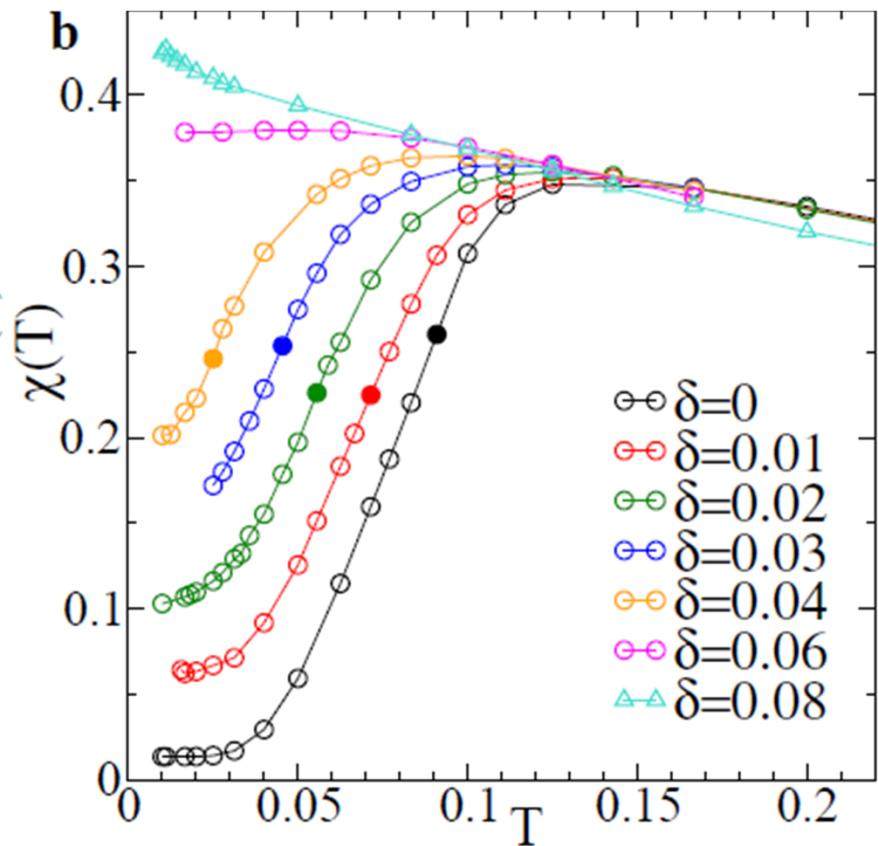
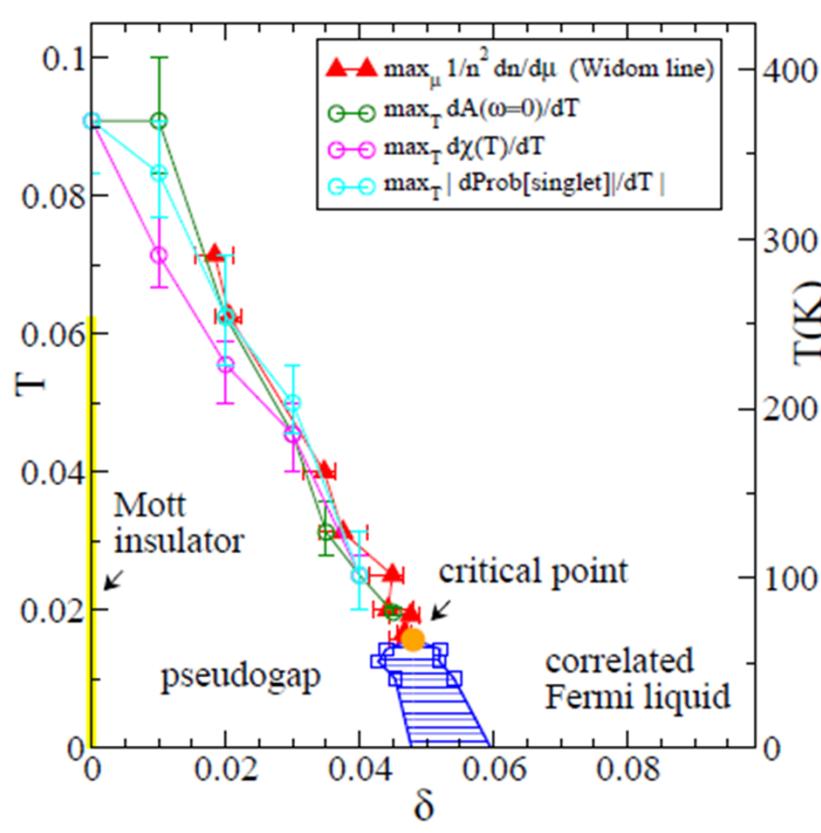
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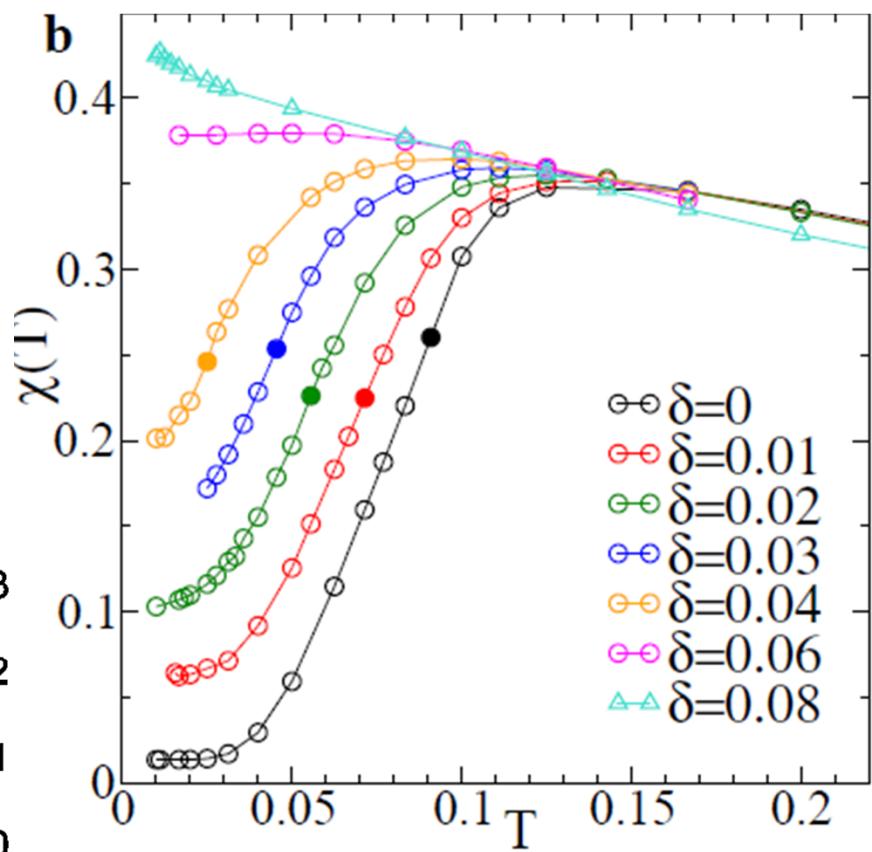
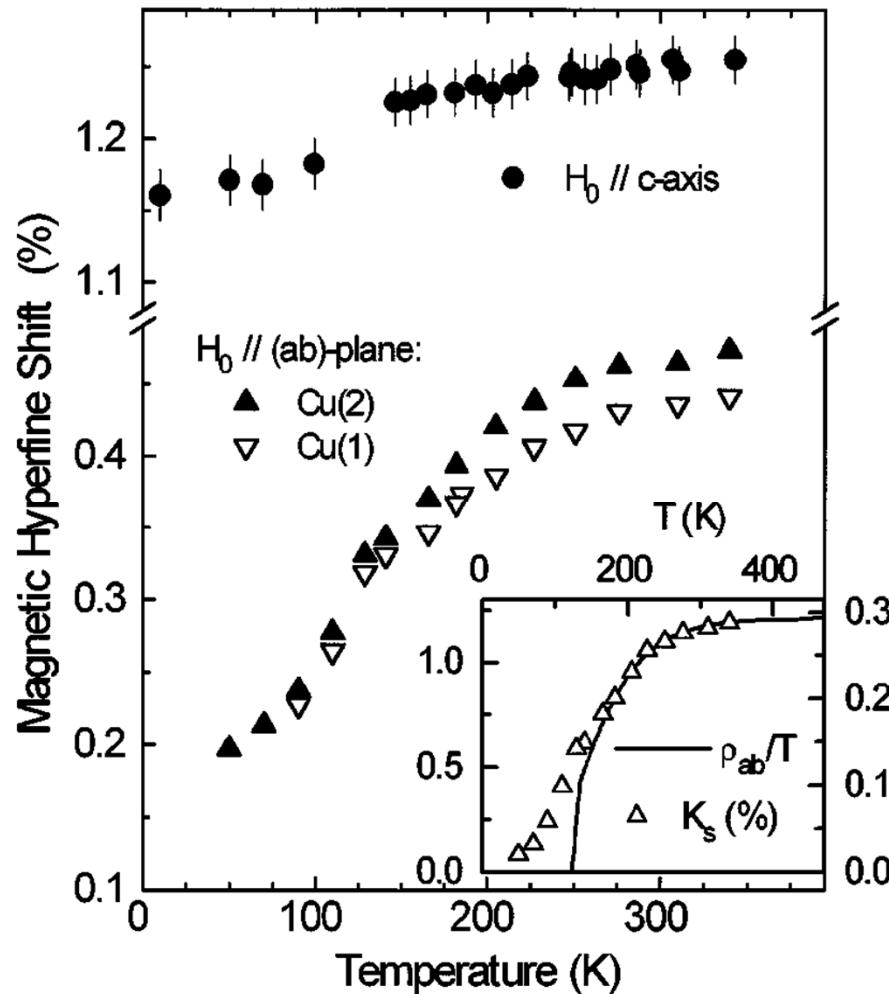
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Spin susceptibility

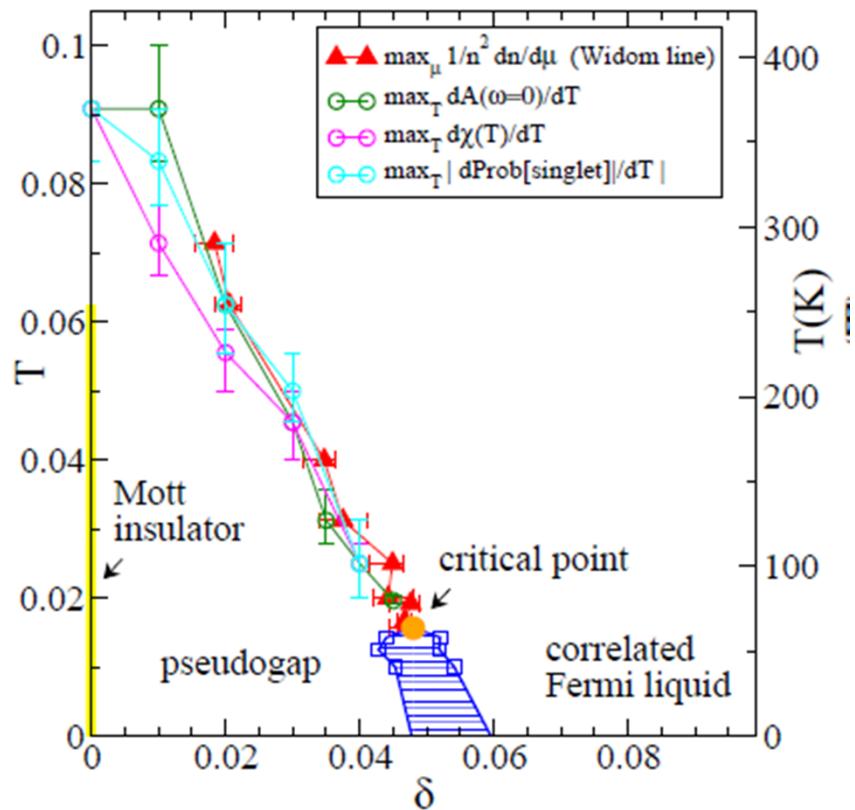


Spin susceptibility



Underdoped Hg1223
Julien et al. PRL 76, 4238 (1996)

Pseudogap T^* along the Widom line



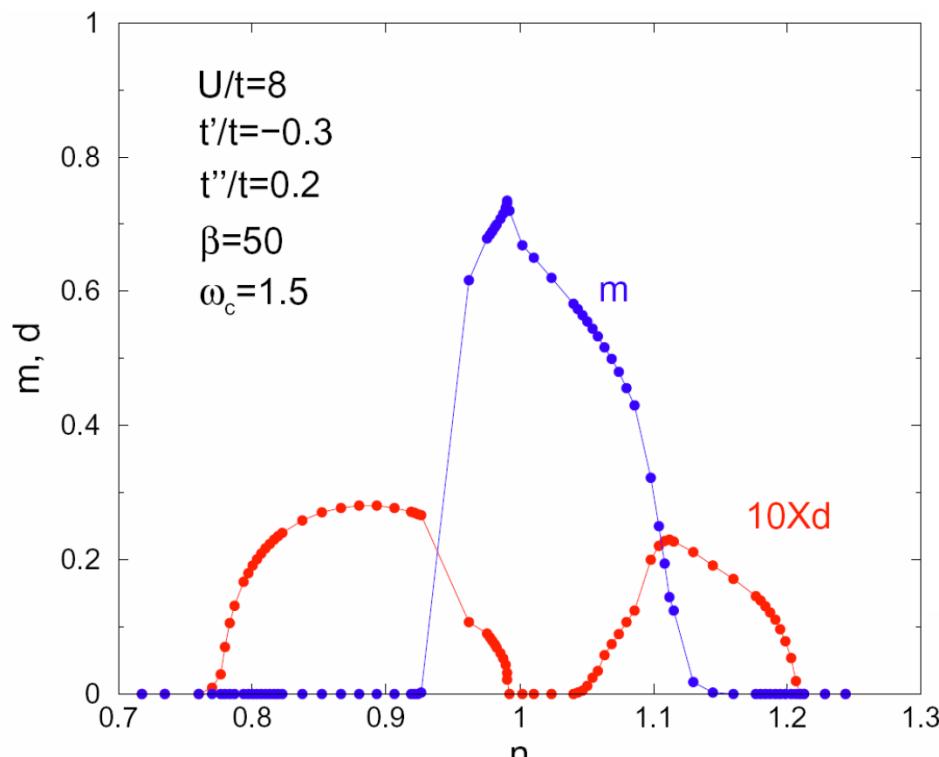
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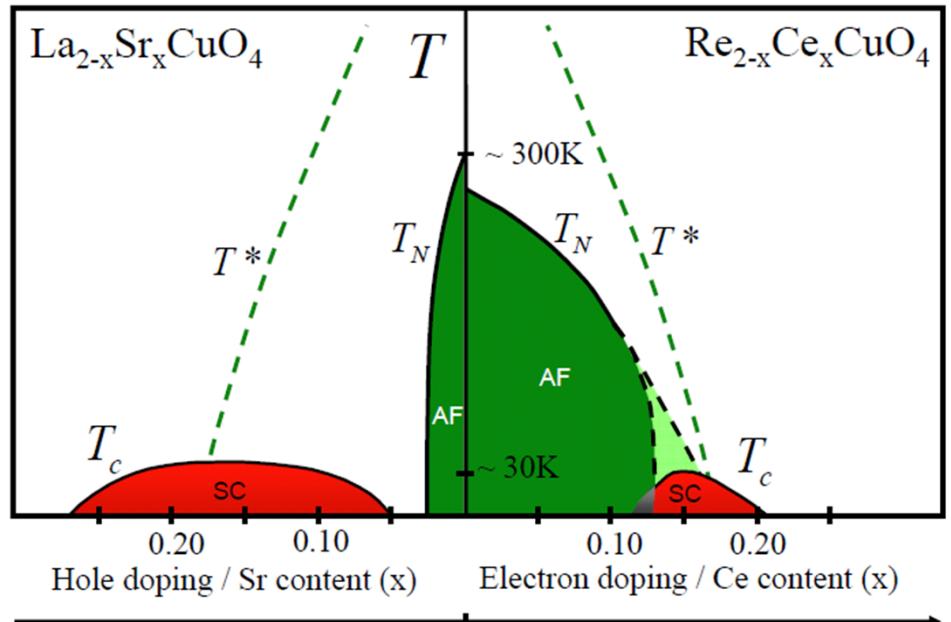
CDMFT global phase diagram



Kancharla, Kyung, Civelli,
Sénéchal, Kotliar AMST

Phys. Rev. B (2008)

AND Capone, Kotliar PRL (2006)



Armitage, Fournier, Greene, RMP (2009)



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Giovanni Sordi



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Finite T phase diagram Superconductivity

Sordi et al. PRL **108**, 216401 (2012)



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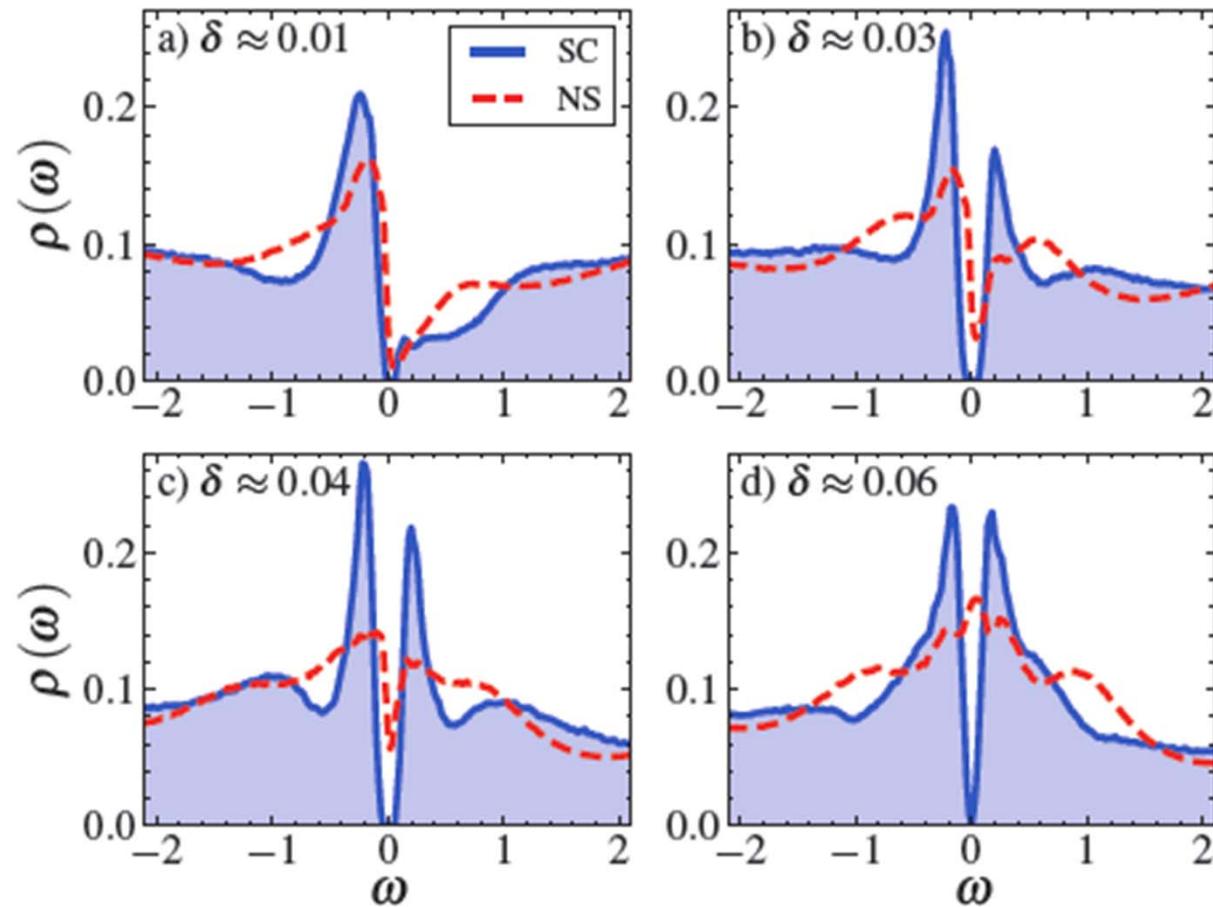
Strongly correlated superconductors

- T_c does not scale like order parameter
- Superfluid stiffness scales like doping
- Superconductivity can be largest close to the metal-insulator transition
- Resilience to near-neighbor repulsion



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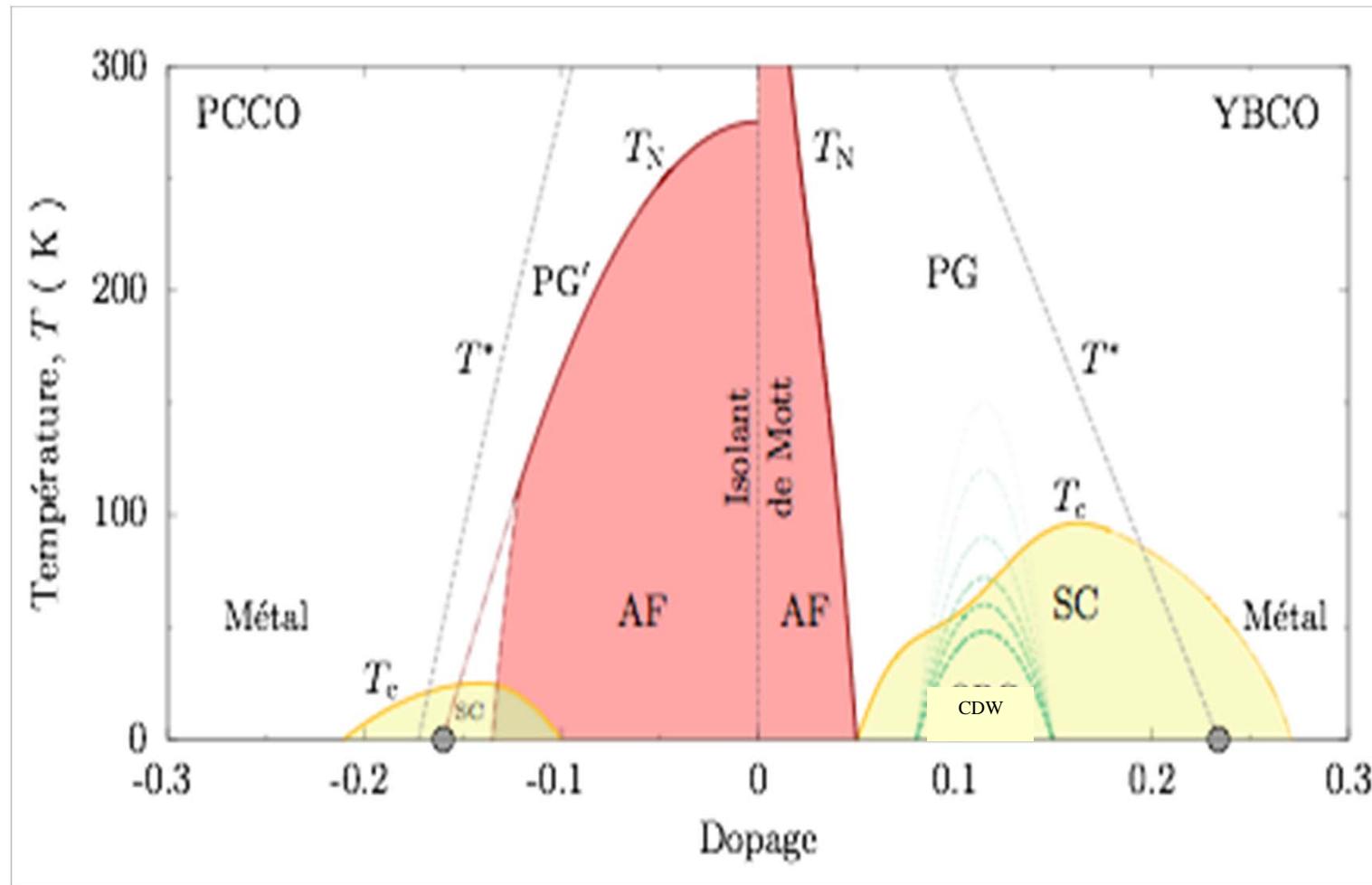
First-order transition leaves its mark



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Open problems

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Conclusion

The dream



room-temperature superconductors

They would transform the grid—if they can exist at all

By Michael Moyer

You can build a coal-fired power plant just about anywhere. Renewables, on the other hand, are finicky. The strongest winds blow across the high plains. The sun shines brightest on the desert. Transporting that energy into cities hundreds of kilometers away will be one of the great challenges of the switch to renewable energy.

The most advanced superconducting cable can move those megawatts thousands of kilometers with losses of only a few percent. Yet there is a catch: the cable must be kept in a bath of liquid nitrogen at 77 kelvins (or -196 degrees Celsius). This kind of deployment, in turn, requires pumps

and refrigeration units every kilometer or so, greatly increasing the cost and complexity of superconducting cable projects.

Superconductors that work at ordinary temperatures and pressures would enable a truly global energy supply. The Saharan sun could power western Europe via superconducting cables strung across the floor of the Mediterranean Sea. Yet the trick to making a room-temperature superconductor is just as much of a mystery today as it was in 1986, when researchers constructed the first superconducting materials that worked at the relatively high temperatures of liquid nitrogen (previ-

ous substances needed to be chilled down to 23 kelvins or less).

Two years ago the discovery of an entirely new class of superconductor—one based on iron—raised hopes that theorists might be able to divine the mechanism at work in high-temperature superconductors [see “An Iron Key to High-Temperature Superconductivity?” by Graham P. Collins; **SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN**, August 2009]. With such insights in hand, perhaps a path toward room-temperature superconductors would come into view. But progress has remained slow. The winds of change don’t

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<http://www.physique.usherbrooke.ca/taillefer/Vulgarisation.html>

DFT + Methods from strongly correlated

Anisimov et al. J. Phys. **9**, 7354 (1997)

G. Kotliar et al. RMP, **78**, 865 (2006)

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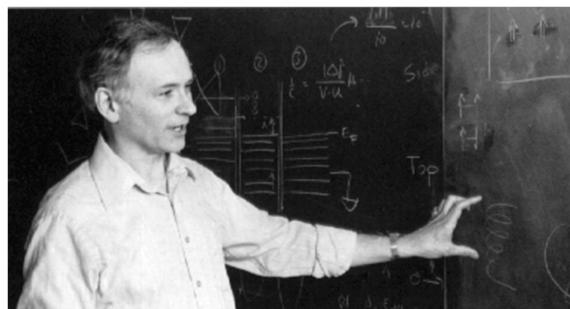


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Letourneau, Depommier



Bruce Patton: MIT



Paul Martin: Harvard

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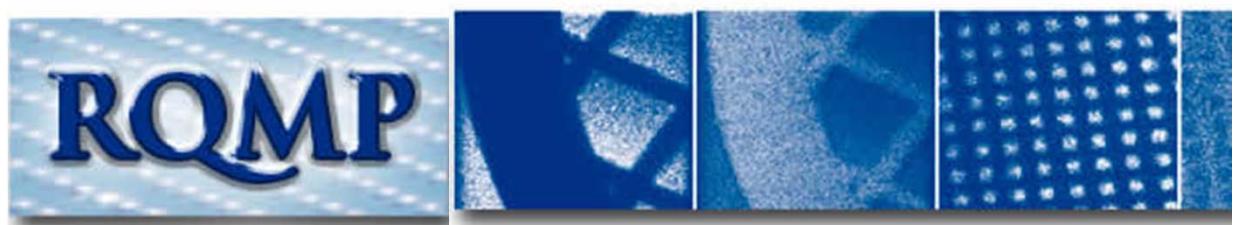
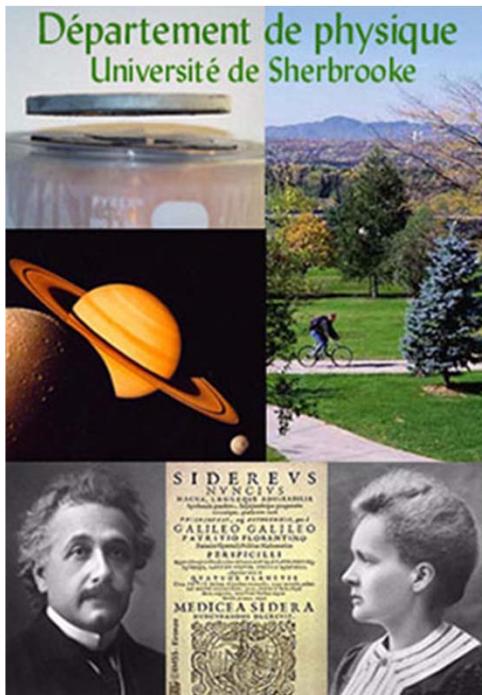
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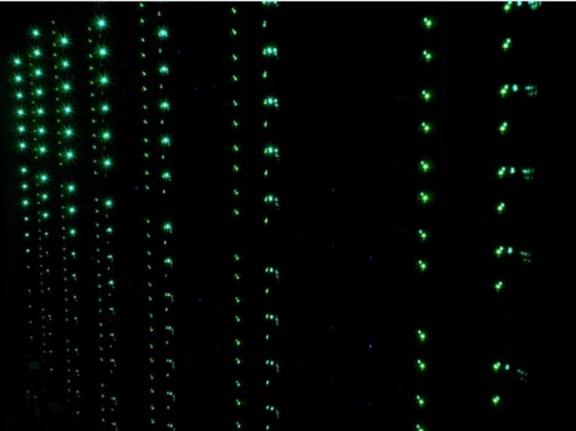
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