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in High-T_c superconducting cuprates**

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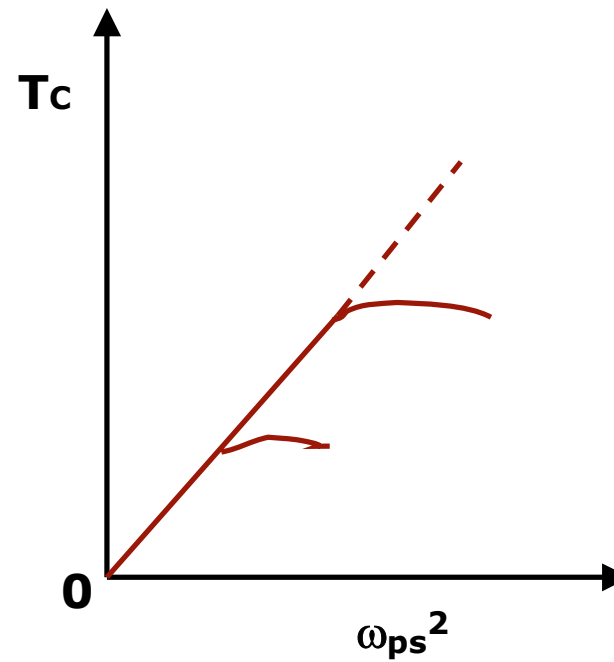
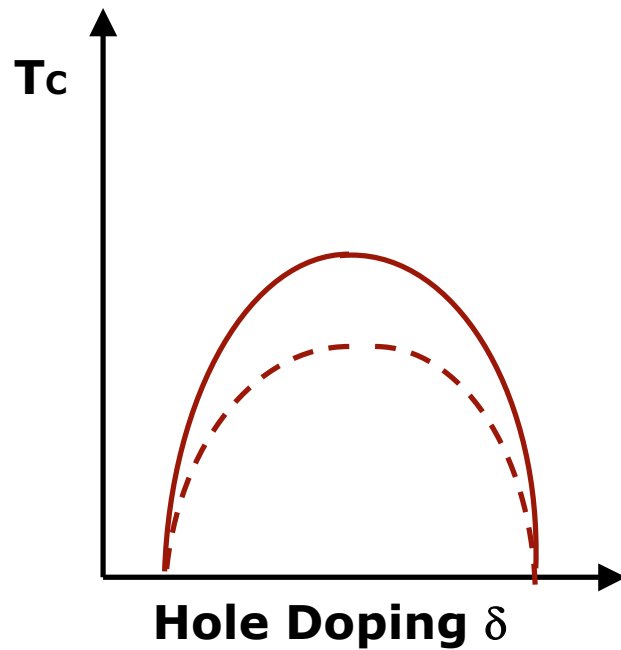
Tokyo, Japan

Subject:

(I) : Superfluid Density and Inhomogeneity

(II) : Development of F.S. and Normal State Optical Spectrum

Superfluid Density & Hole Concentration (ω_{ps}^2 and δ)



*What determines T_c ?
What determines ω_{ps} ?*

Background and Purpose

- **Superfluid Density** $\omega_{ps}^2 = (2\pi\lambda_L)^{-2}$
 μ SR, Microwave, FIR results seem to be different.
need to be re-examined.
- **Effect of inhomogeneous electronic state?**
real space & ***k***-space inhomogeneity
(stripes, pseudo-gap state...)

Purpose

- To measure a pure in-plane spectrum
- To estimate λ_L^{-2} and compare with the μ SR data
- To examine the low- ω charge response

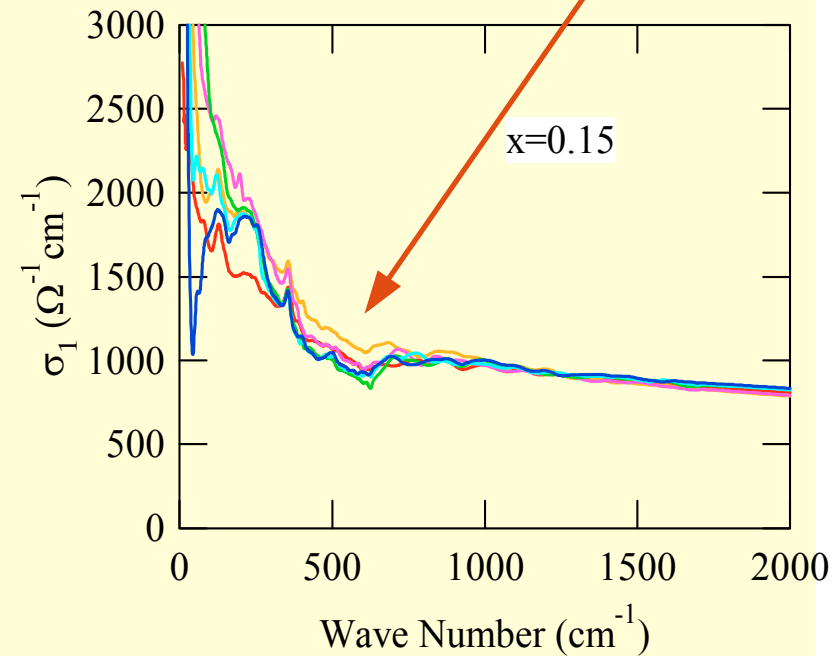
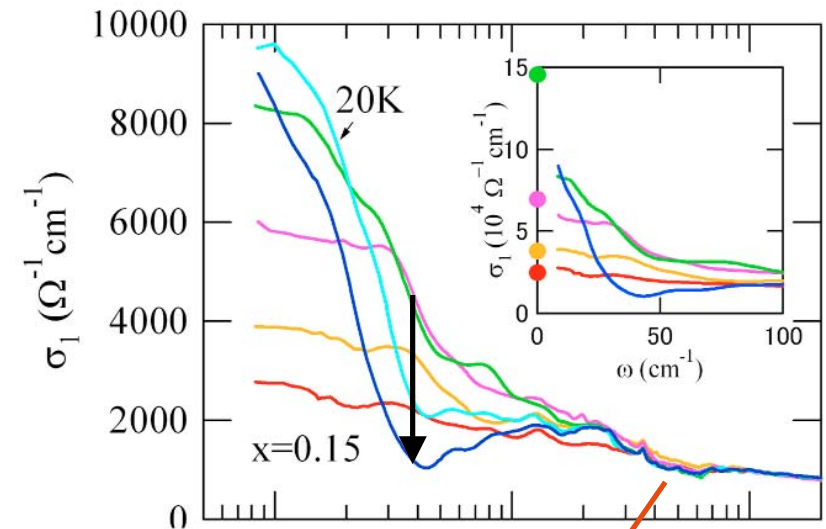
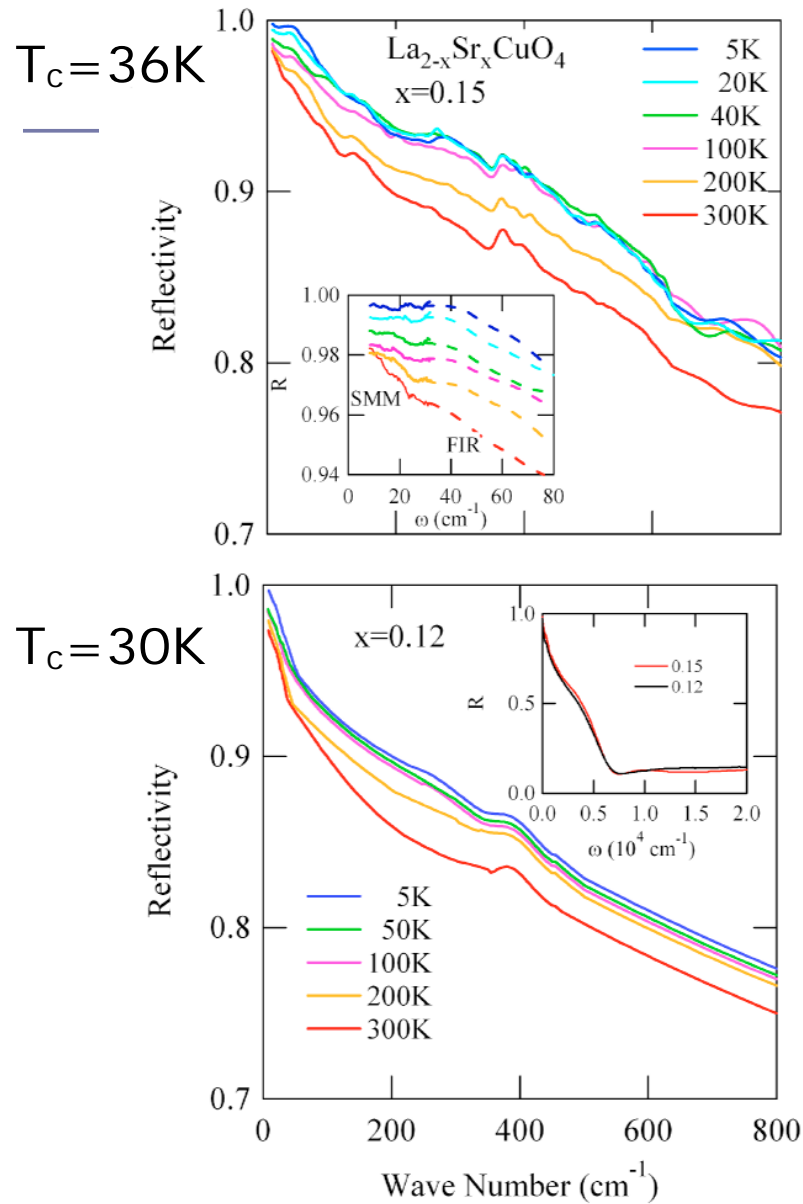
→ ***Peculiarity of the electronic state in HTSC***

Experiments

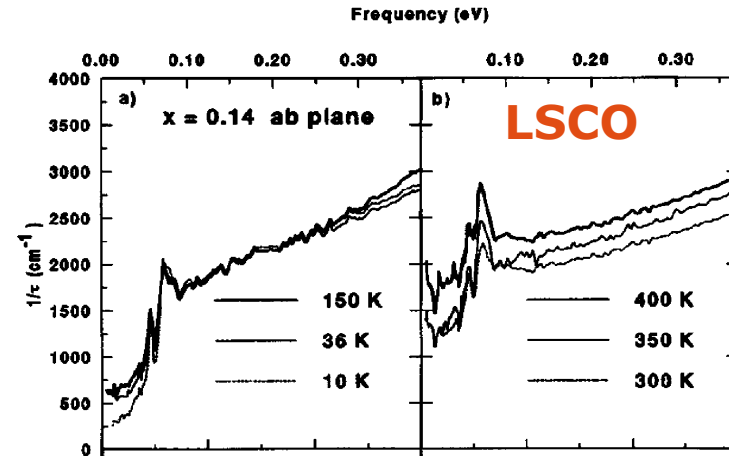
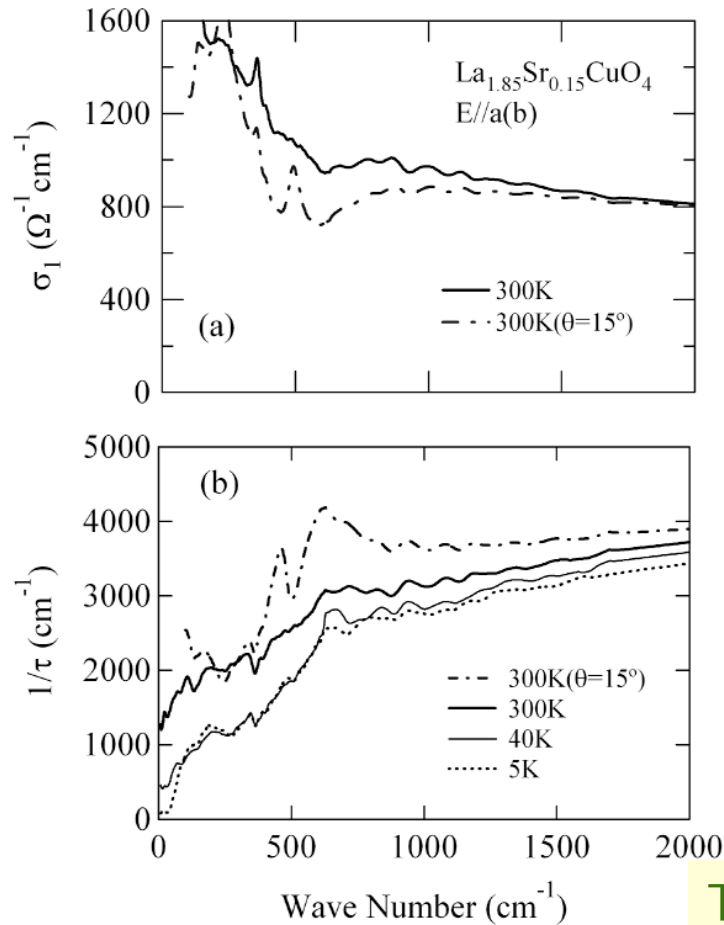
Crucial Point

- Extraction of pure in-plane $\sigma(\omega)$
to avoid the c-axis component admixture
*ex. Reflectivity measurement with $E//a$
in s-polarized geometry*
- Measurement down to the low- ω region
to evaluate a residual $\sigma(\omega)$
*ex. Measurement in the millimeter- and
sub-millimeter wavelength region*

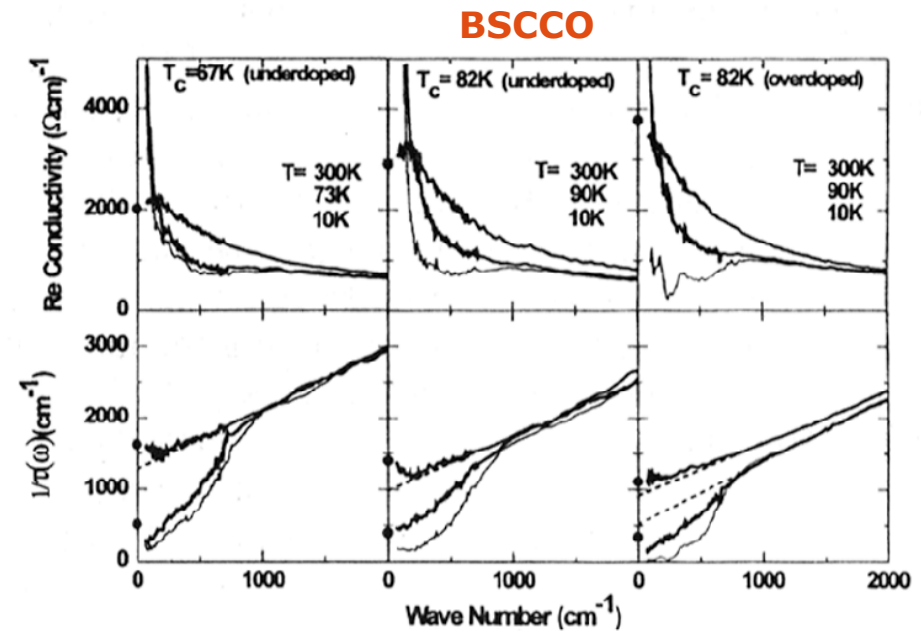
In-plane polarized spectra of $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$



Kink in $1/\tau(\omega)$

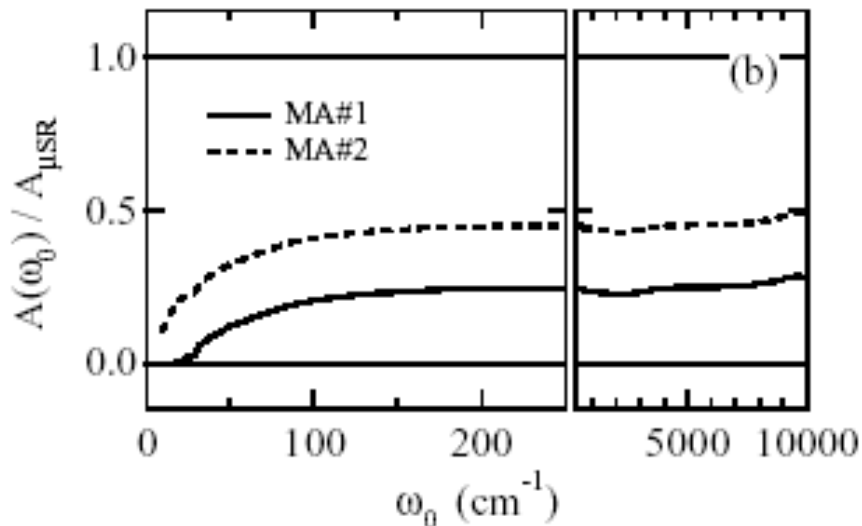
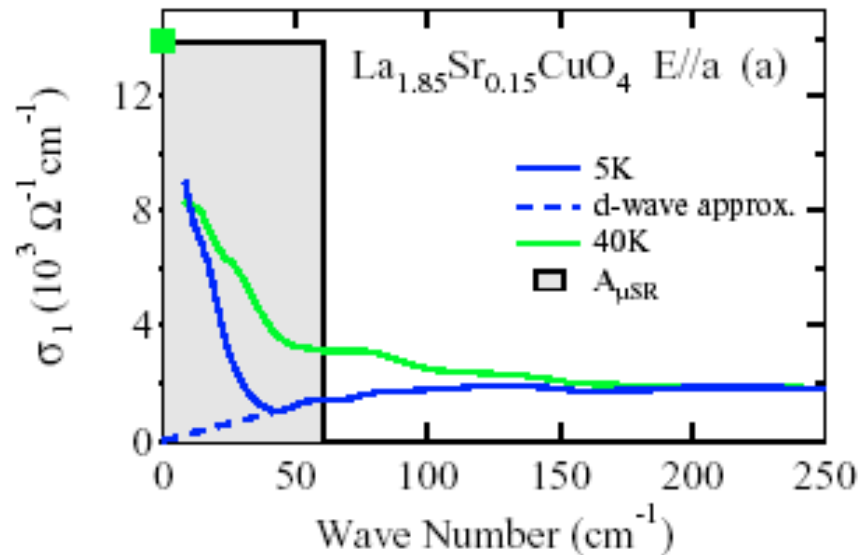


Startseva et al., PRB59, 7184 ('99)



The kink at $\omega \sim 700\text{cm}^{-1}$ is neither related to a SC gap nor to pseudo-gap.

$$\rho_s = \frac{\omega_{ps}^2}{8} = \int_{0+}^{\omega_0} [\sigma_n(\omega, 0) - \sigma_s(\omega, 0)] d\omega$$



Estimation of ω_{ps} from missing area in $\sigma_1(\omega)$

$$A = \omega_{ps}^2/8 = 1/[8(2\pi\lambda_L)^2]$$

With and without the low- ω peak:

$$A/A(\mu\text{SR}) = 0.3 \sim 0.5$$

$\rightarrow \lambda_L(10^4 \text{cm}^{-1}) = 400 \sim 530 \text{ nm}$
 cf. $\lambda_L = 430 \text{ nm}$ by *Somal et al.*
 $\lambda_L = 400 \pm 100 \text{ nm}$ (10GHz)
 by *Shibauchi et al.*

$\gg \lambda_L(\mu\text{SR}) = 280 \pm 15 \text{ nm}$
 (for the same crystal)

For $x=0.12$

$$\lambda_L(10^4 \text{cm}^{-1}) = 990 \text{ nm}$$

cf. $\lambda_L = 630 \text{ nm}$ by *Dumm et al.*
 ($x=0.13?$ $T_c=32\text{K}$)

$\gg \lambda_L(\mu\text{SR}) = 310 \text{ nm}$

Estimation from

$$\sigma_2(=\omega_{ps}^2/2\pi\omega)$$

Large contribution from the residual conductivity

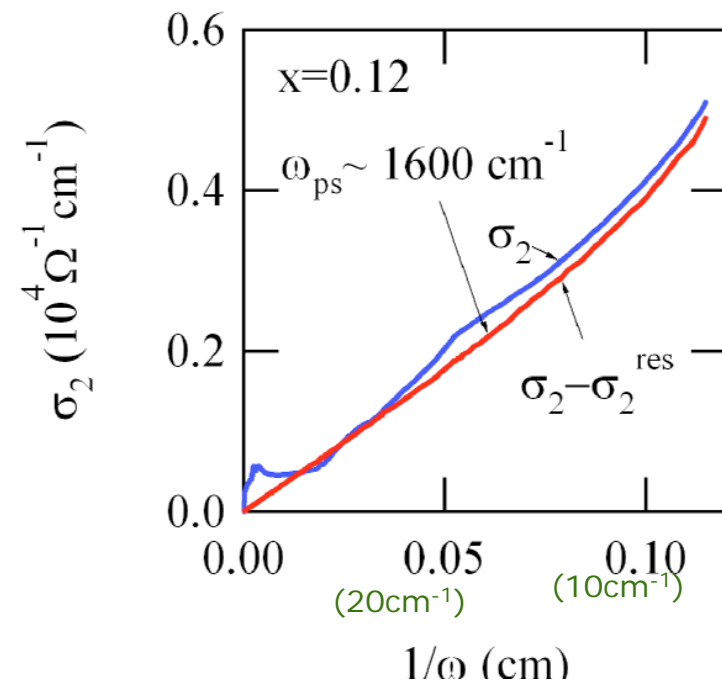
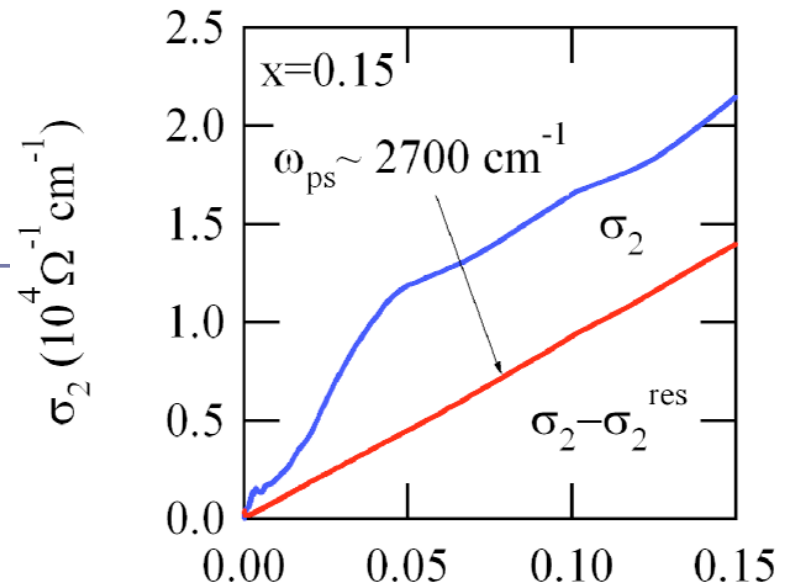
Consistent value of superfluid density

$$\lambda_L(x=0.15) = 590 \text{ nm} \leftrightarrow 530 \text{ nm from } \sigma_1$$

$$\lambda_L(x=0.12) = 1000 \text{ nm} \leftrightarrow 990 \text{ nm from } \sigma_1$$

→ **No remarkable contribution from high- ω region**

FGT-sum rule holds.



Comparison with the μ SR data

	LSCO x= 0.15	LSCO x= 0.12	YBCO (T_c = 93K)	YBCO (77K)	YBCO (60K)	Bi- 2212 (70K)	Tl- 2201 (80K)
FIR λ_L (nm)	530	990	116 ^{//b} 160 ^{//a}	240 ^{//a}	280 [*]	680 ^{**}	240 ^{***}
μ SR λ_L (nm)	280	310	112	190	170- 210	190	160

* C. Homes et al., Phys. Rev. B ('04). ** Santader-Syro et al., Europhys. Lett. ('03)

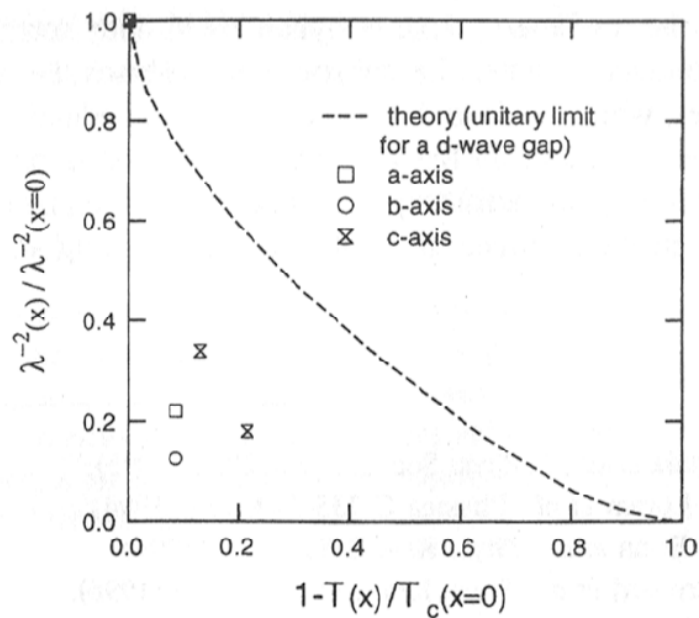
*** Puchkov et al., Phys. Rev. B ('95).

μ SR data: Y. J. Uemura et al. ('89), Ch. Niedermeyer et al. ('93), J.E. Sonier et al. ('97)

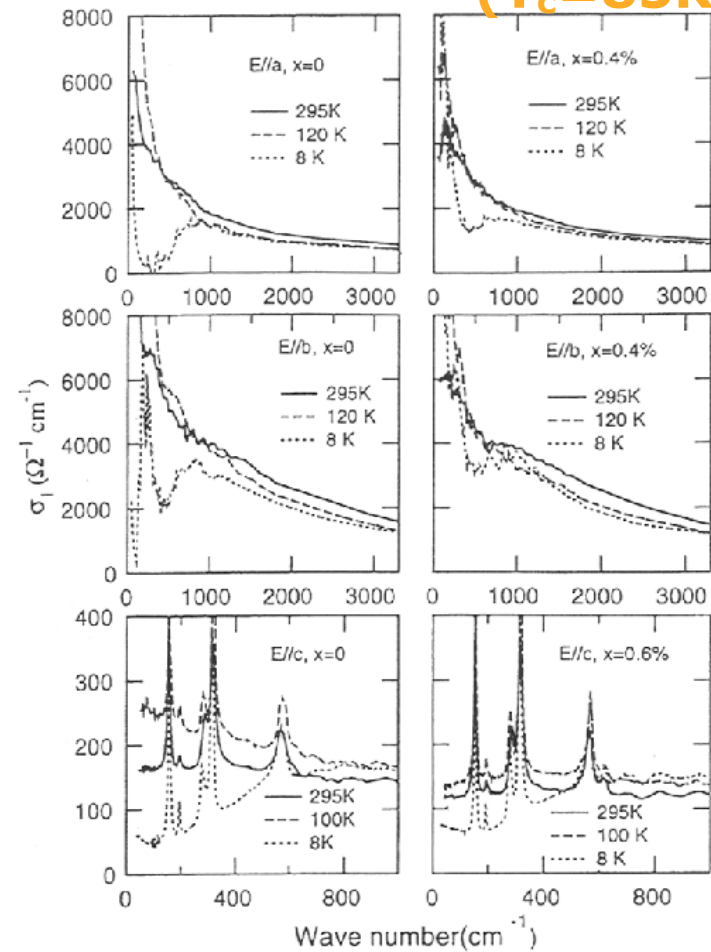
λ_L^{-2} (FIR) \ll λ_L^{-2} (μ SR)
Commonly observed in HTSC?

Impurity Effects on λ_L

Rapid suppression of superfluid density

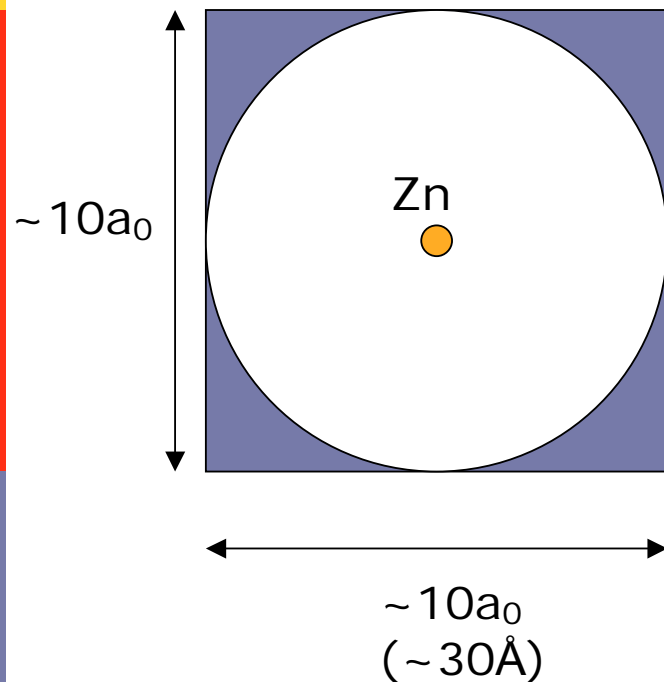


Pure YBCO Zn0.4% ($T_c=85K$)



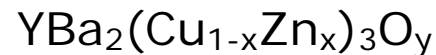
N. L. Wang et al. PRB (1998).

Local pair-breaking picture for short ξ superconductors



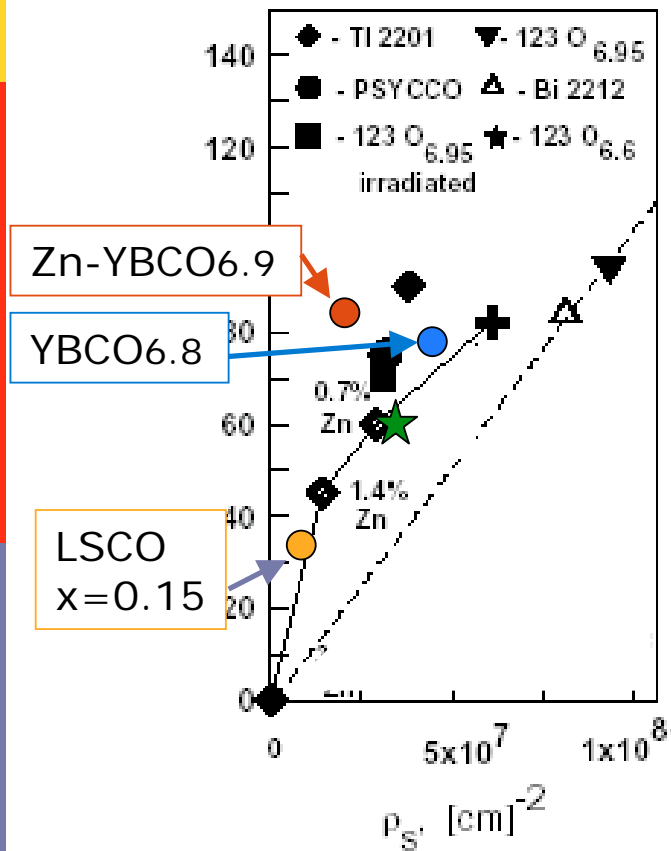
IF one Zn-atom destroys S.C. in the area with a diameter of 30\AA ,

1% Zn within the CuO_2 -plane is enough to suppress S.C. over the whole area.

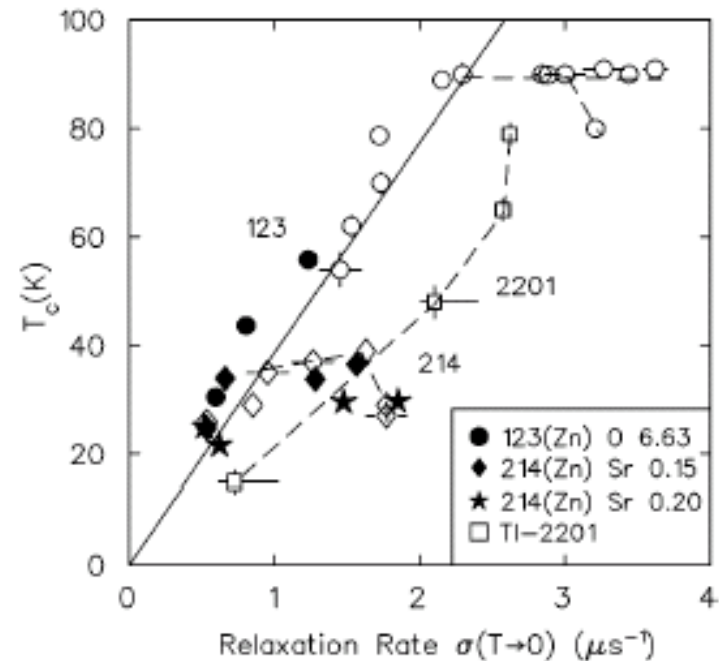


$x=0.66\% \rightarrow \sim 1\%$ Zn in the plane

Deviation from the linear plot of $T_c \sim \rho_s$



D.N. Basov et al., PRL ('98).



B. Nachumi et al., PRL ('96).

Origin of discrepancy between FIR and μ SR

Inhomogeneity

SC order parameter is not uniform in a crystal?

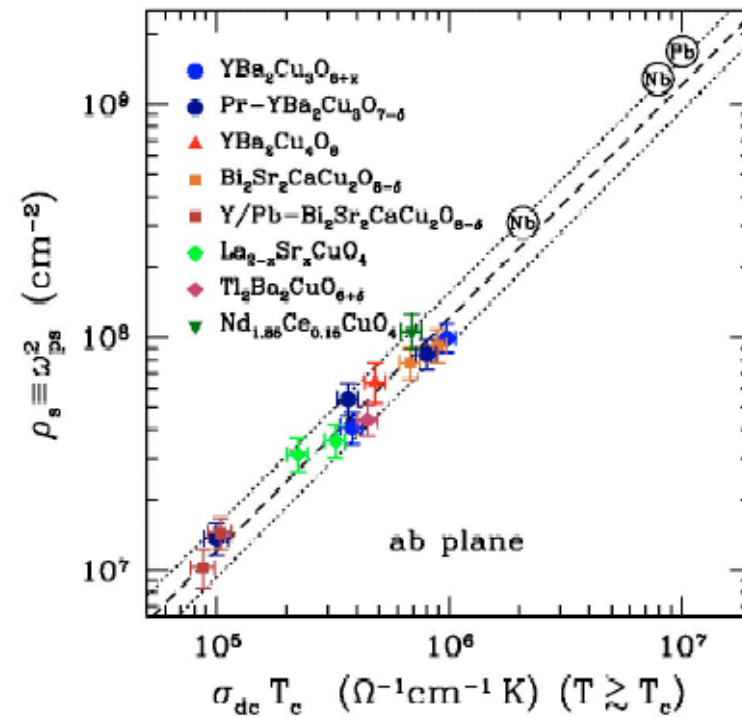
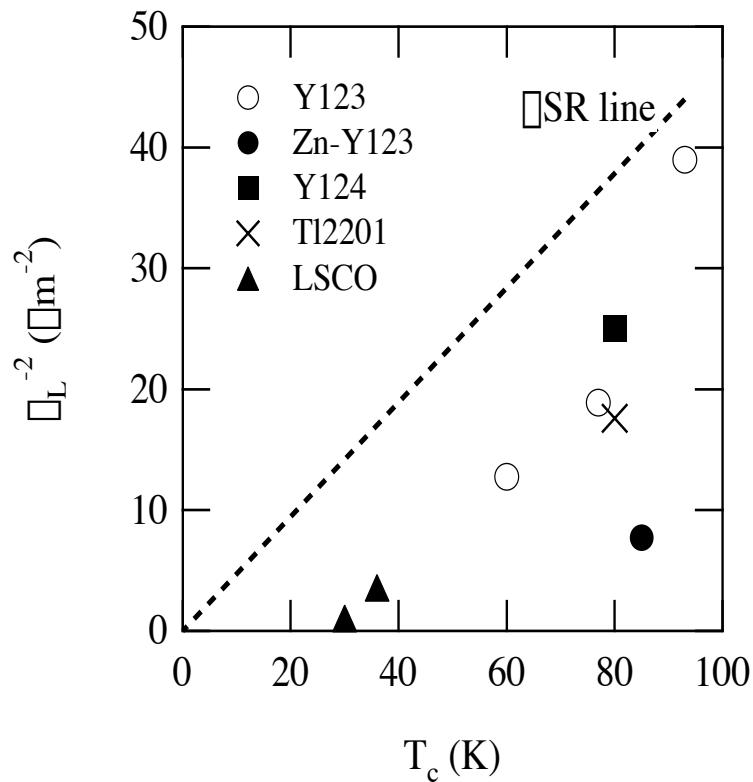
FIR: Average information of SC & non-SC area

μ SR: More sensitive to the SC area

Possible case for inhomogeneity

- (i) pseudo-gap area + SC area *ex. Underdoped YBCO & BSCCO*
- (ii) AF-stripes + SC stripes *ex. (La,Nd)214*
- (iii) pair-breaking area + SC area *ex. Zn-doped YBCO*

Comment on the relation of ω_{ps}^2 & T_c



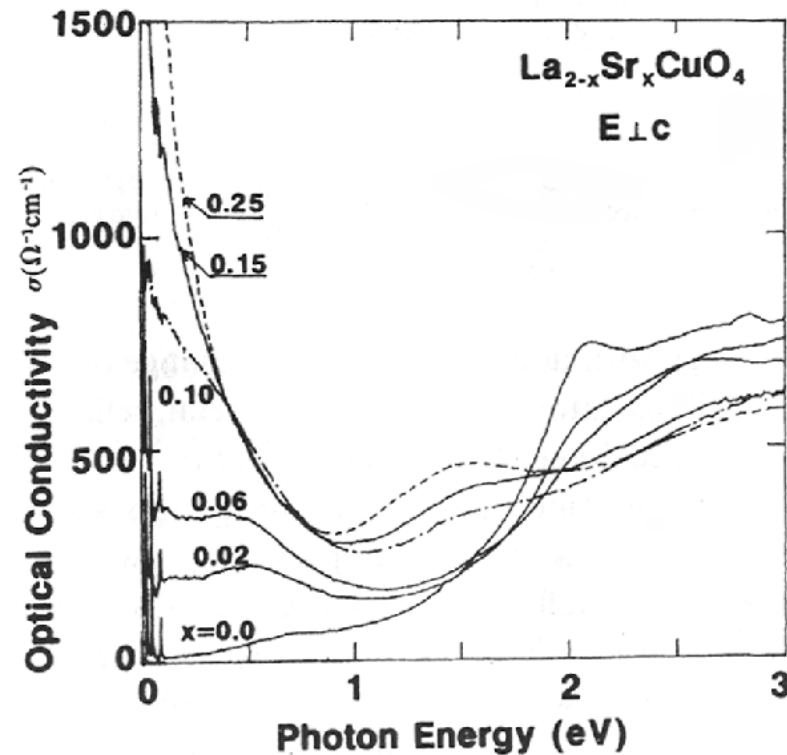
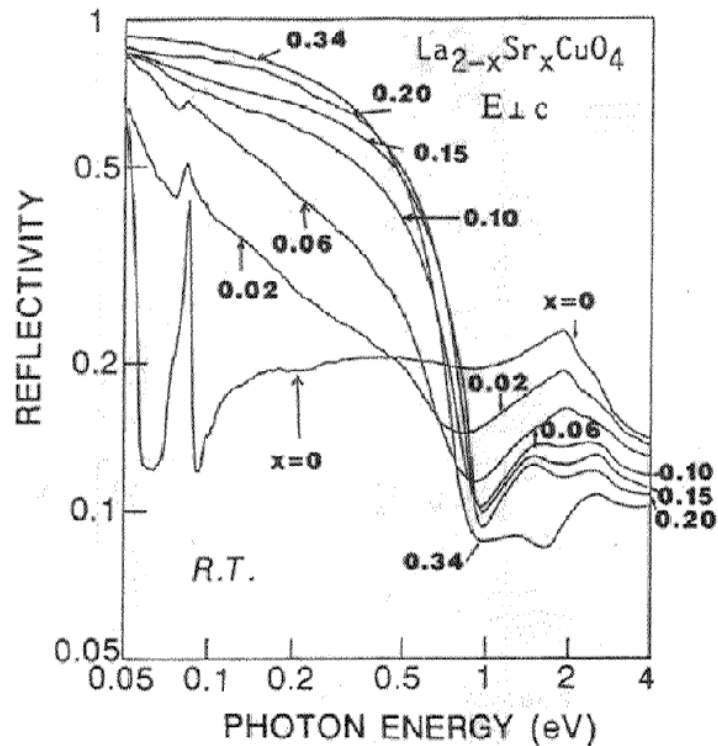
C.C. Homes et al. cond-mat/0404216

Summary (I)

- The estimated λ_L^{-2} (FIR) is much smaller than λ_L^{-2} (μ RS).
- There remains a substantial Drude-like conductivity at low ω .

This may be a characteristic property of inhomogenous electronic system.

Normal State Charge Dynamics : Evolution of F.S. & Optical Spectrum



S. Uchida et al., PRB (1991).

S. Tajima et al., Advances in Superconductivity III (1991).

Extended Drude model : one component model

Standard Drude model:
 ω -independent m and τ

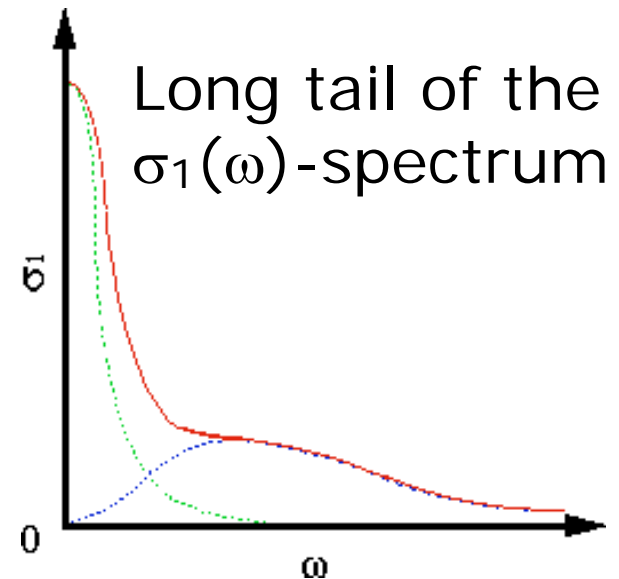
Extended Drude model:

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{ne^2 \tau^*(\omega)}{m^*(\omega)[1 - i\omega\tau^*(\omega)]}$$

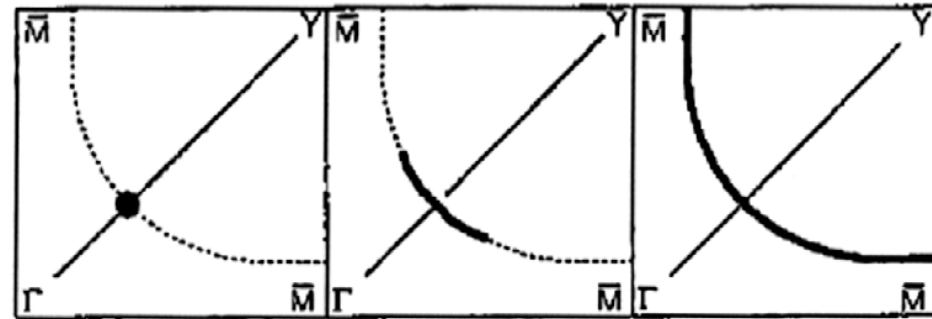
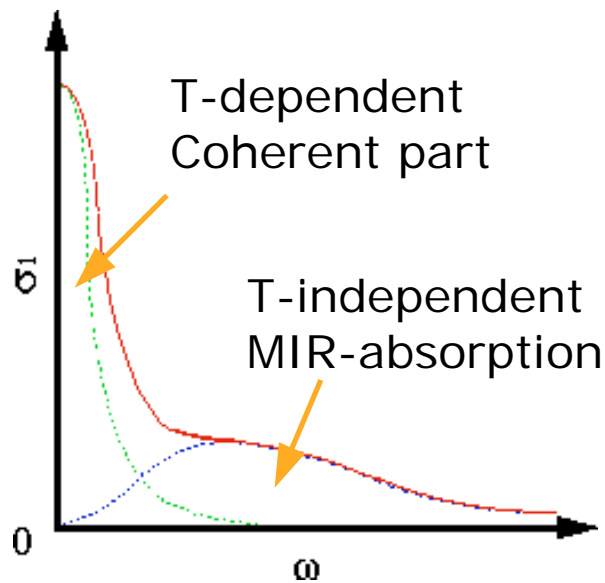
*using renormalized mass and
scattering rate*

$$m^*(\omega) = m_b[1 + \lambda(\omega)]$$

$$1/\tau^*(\omega) = 1/\tau[1 + \lambda(\omega)]$$



Development of F. S.



Low T \longleftrightarrow High T
 Small δ \longleftrightarrow Large δ

High T or High doping \rightarrow Large F.S.
 Low T or Low doping \rightarrow Small F.S.

MIR-abs. Part :
 Carriers excited above Pseudogap

Nodal direction F.S. $\rightarrow \sigma_{dc}$
 Anti-nodal direction F.S.
 $\rightarrow \sigma_c(\omega)$

Gap Energy can be determined from $\sigma_c(\omega)$.

T-linear $\rho(T)$ and ω -linear $1/\tau(\omega)$

For highly doped case without pseudogap...

E//a

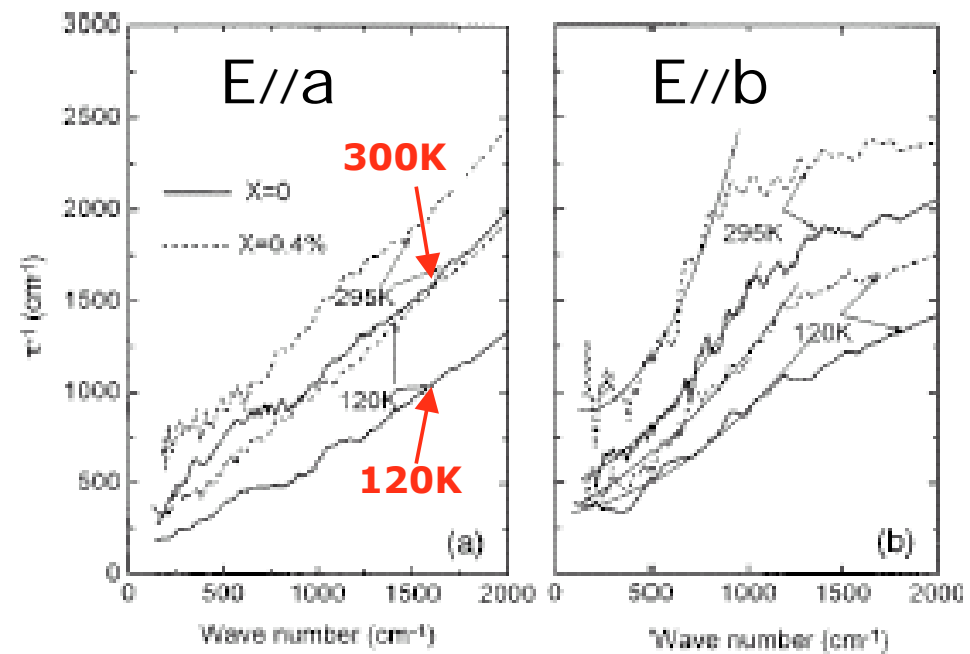
$$1/\tau(\omega) \sim \omega \sim T$$
$$\rho(T) \sim T$$

E//b

**A kink at $\omega \sim 1000\text{cm}^{-1}$
due to the chain-
related absorption**

Extended Drude model
inappropriate
for the 2-channel system

Optimally doped YBCO



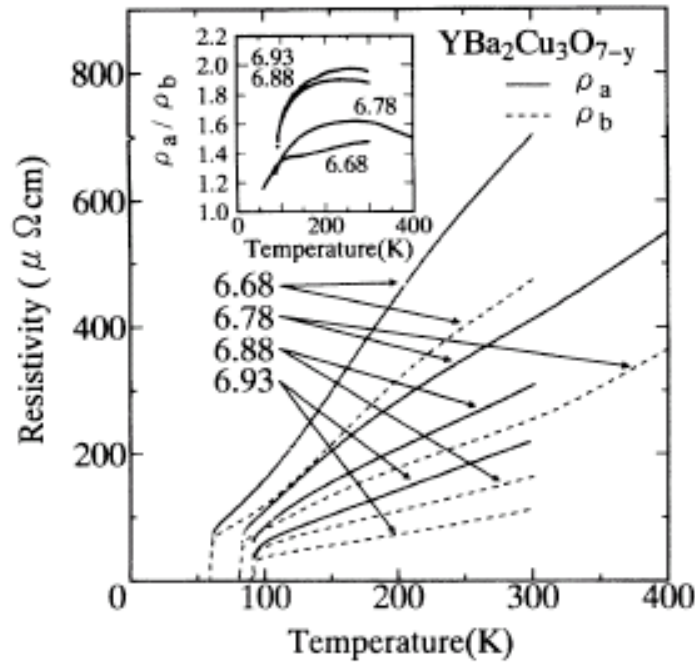
**N. L. Wang et al.,
Phys. Rev. B 57, R11081 ('98)**

T-linear $\rho(T)$ and ω -linear $1/\tau(\omega)$

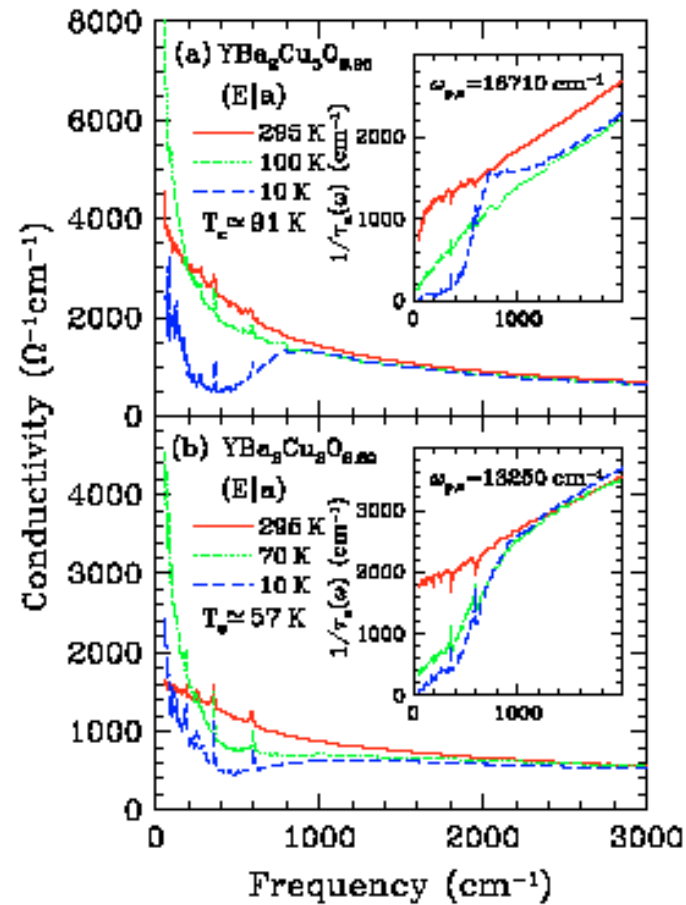
For underdoped case

Deviate from the linear behavior in $\rho(T)$ and $1/\tau(\omega)$ simultaneously?

→ **NO!**



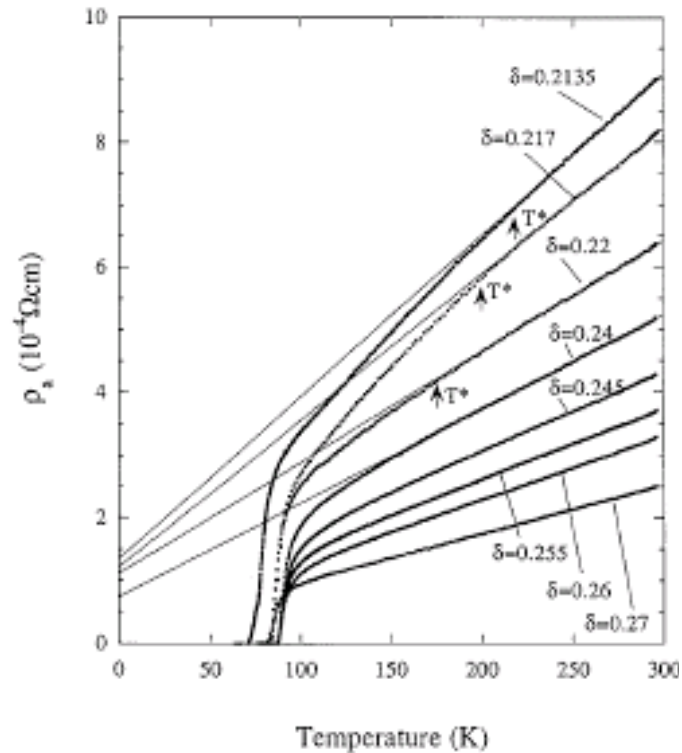
K. Takenaka et al., PRB ('94).



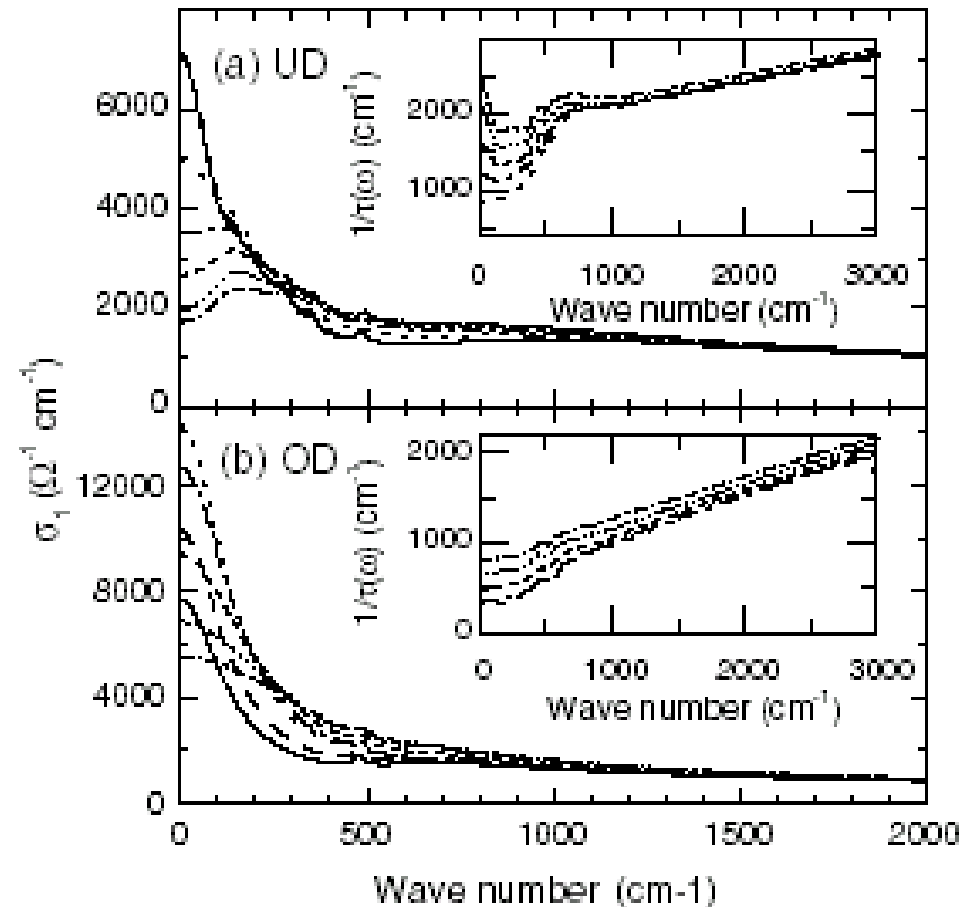
C. Homes et al., PRB('04)

$1/\tau(\omega)$ at $T > T^*$ is ω -linear and T-independent?

BSCCO



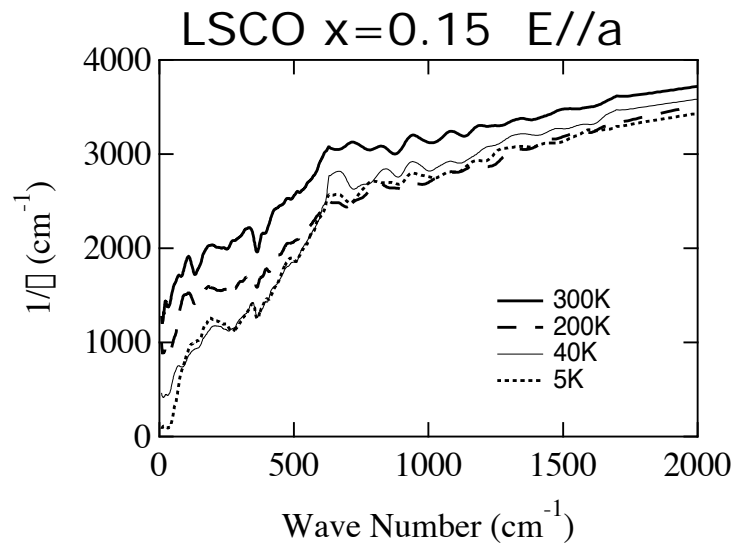
T. Watanabe et al.
PRL79, 2113 (1997).



Santander-Syro et al.,
PRL88, 097005 (2002).

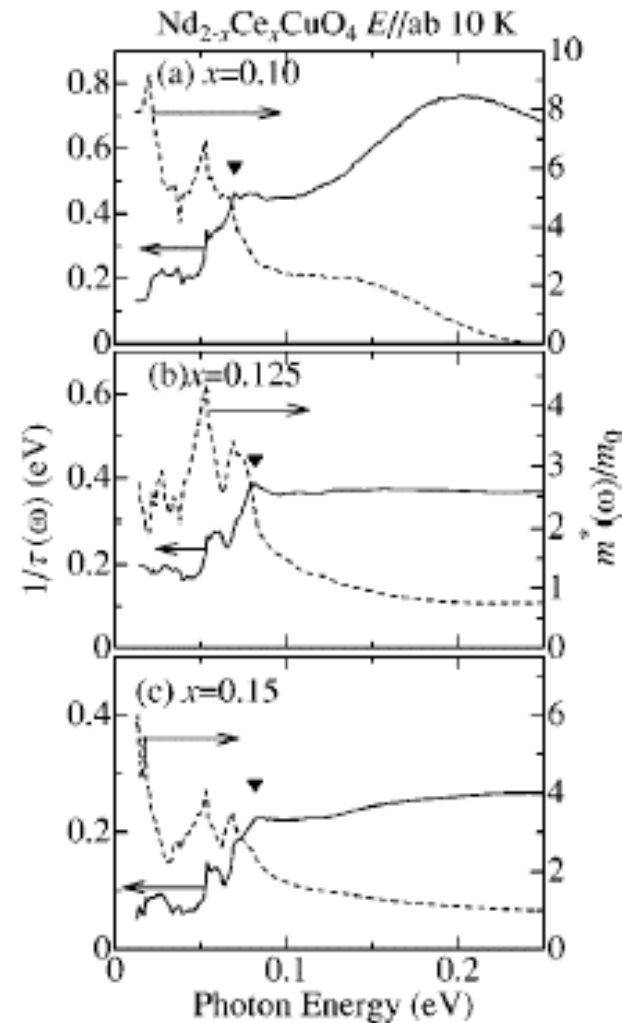
Comment on the kink in $1/\tau(\omega)$

Irrelevant to the pseudo-gap



Pseudogap energy should not be determined from $\sigma_{ab}(\omega)$ or $1/\tau_{ab}(\omega)$

Y. Onose et al. PRB69 024504('04).



Summary (II)

- Only in the optimally/over-doped regime with fully formed F.S., marginal FL-like charge dynamics with T -linear ρ & ω -linear $1/\tau$

For underdoped regime,

- ω -linear $1/\tau$ at R.T. is accidental?
- Mobile charge response (T -dependent spectrum) is limited to the low- ω region. → The ω -linear $1/\tau$ is no longer meaningful?
- The partially gapped F.S. gives the MIR-absorption band.

The kink in $1/\tau$ at $\sim 800\text{cm}^{-1}$ appears in many cases...

- > LSCO & NCCO at all temperatures
- > The chain contribution for $E//b$ in YBCO
- > The c -axis component admixture enhances the kink-structure.



End
