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**GAUGE FIELD THEORY AND METAL-INSULATOR CROSSOVER
IN CUPRATE SUPERCONDUCTORS**

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Why Gauge Field Theory ?

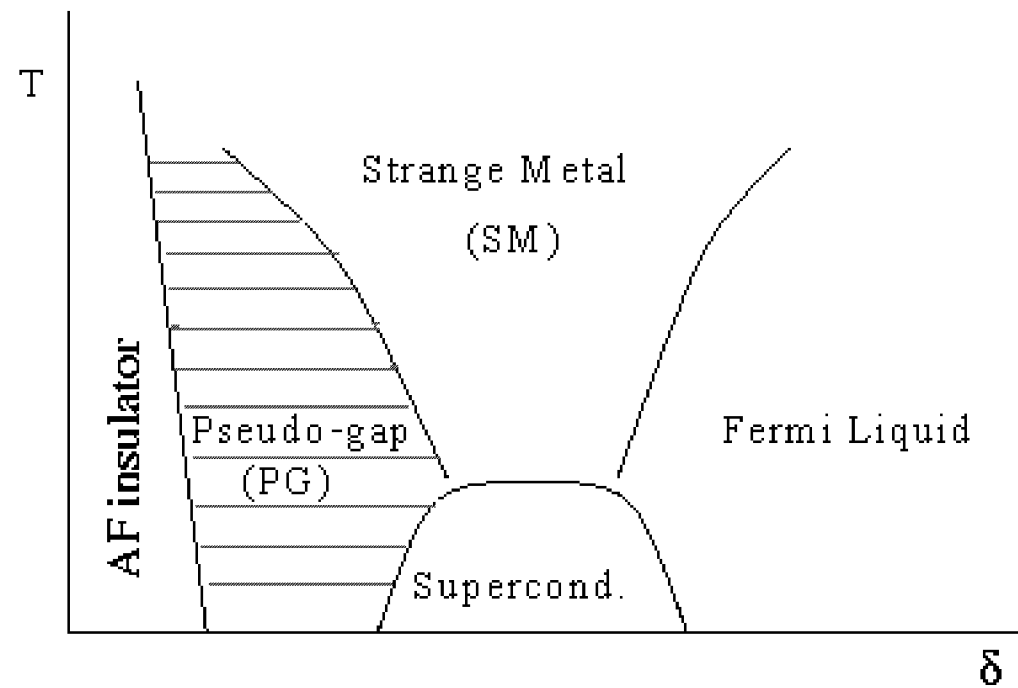
(some skepticism)

Perturbation not valid: Strong coupling

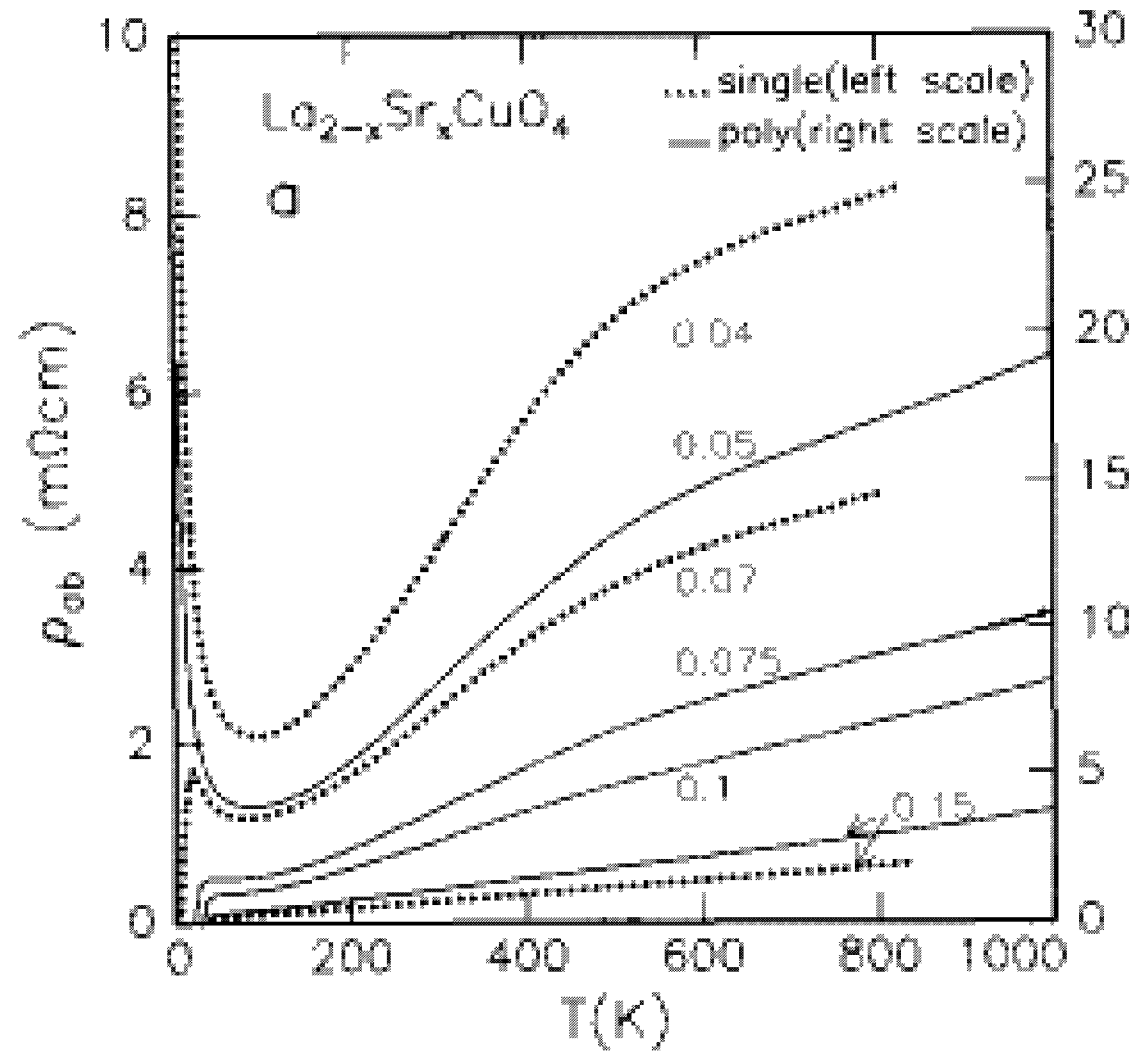
Extra degrees of freedom:
excess specific heat

Why another interpretation?

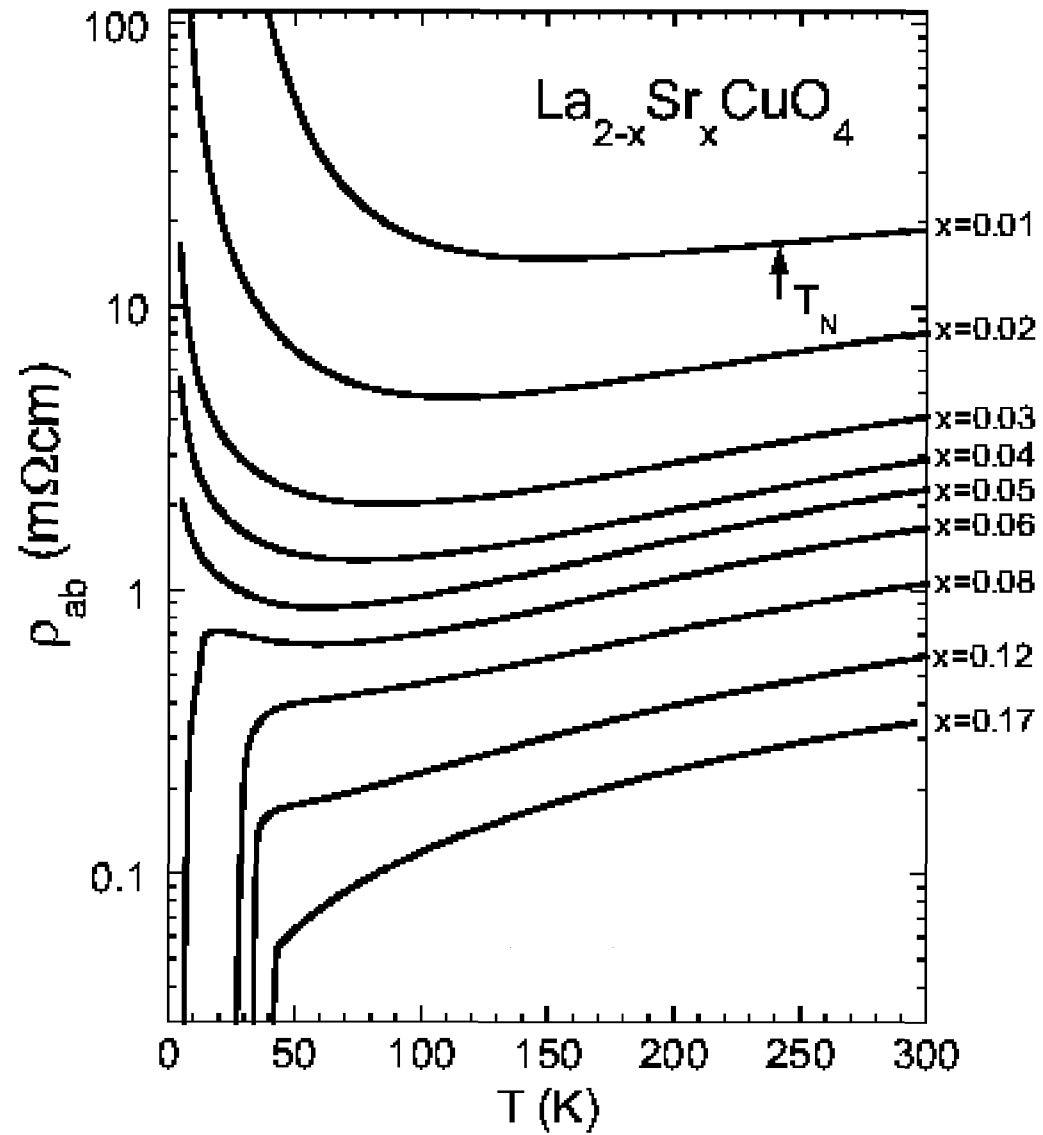
<p>Open Issue: Metal-Insulator Crossover It is a generic phenomenon</p>



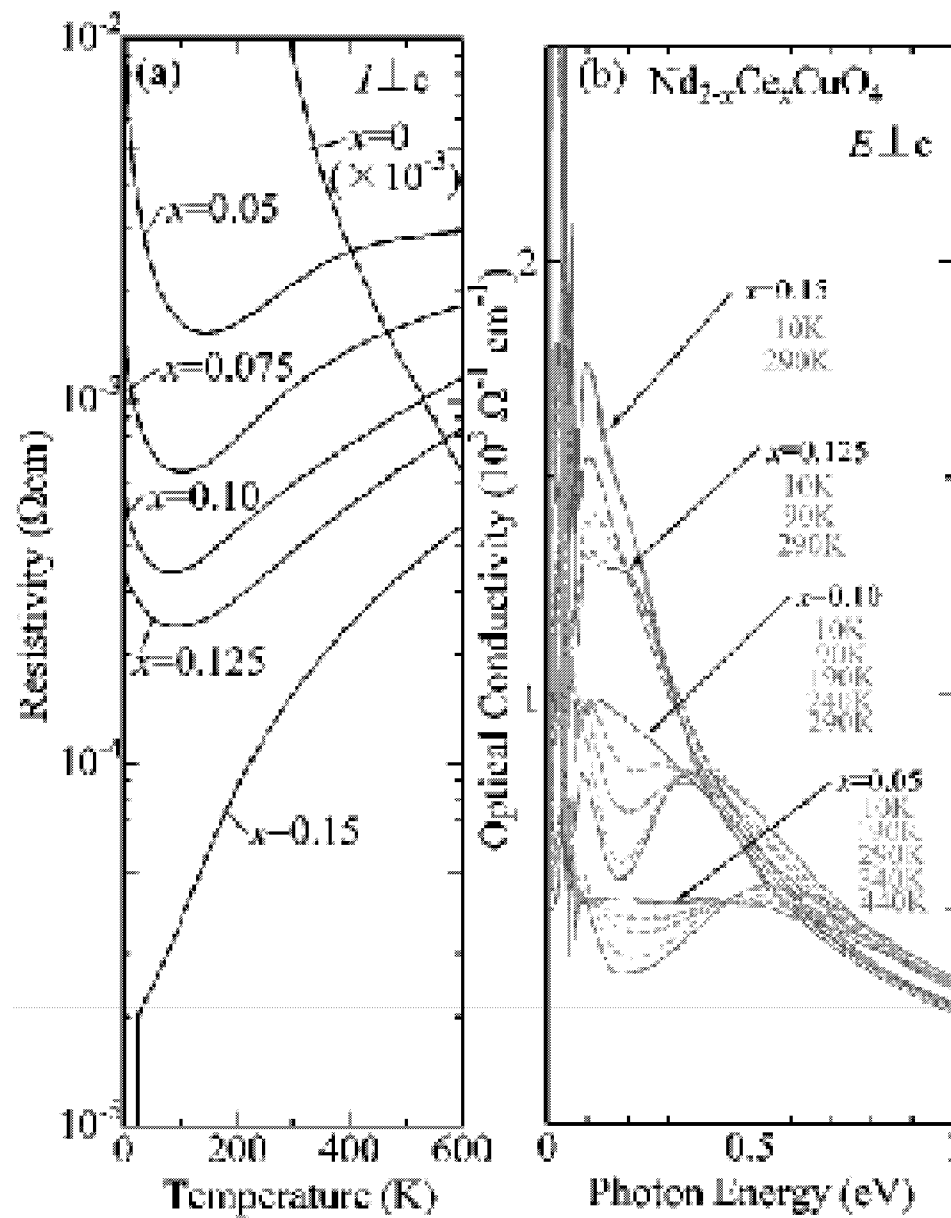
Schematic Phase Diagram



H. Takagi et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **69**, 2975 (1992)

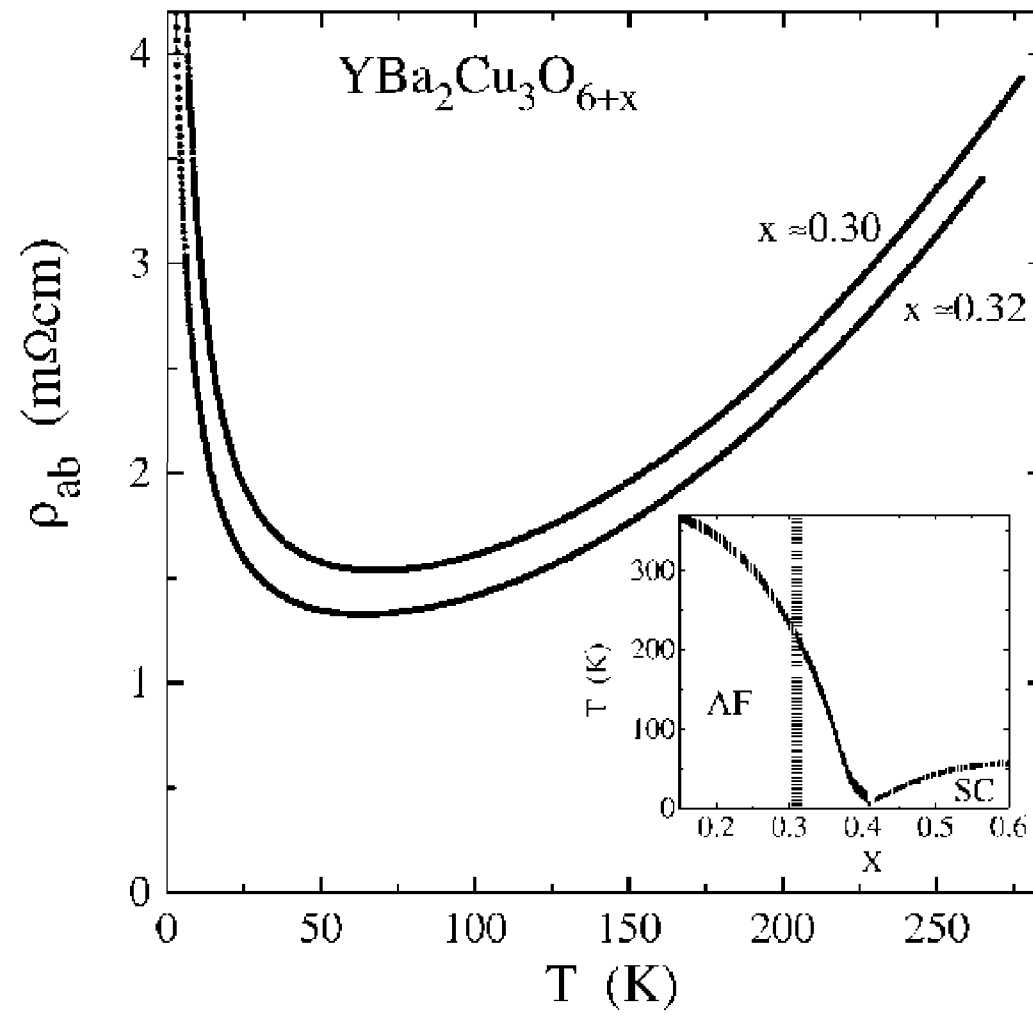


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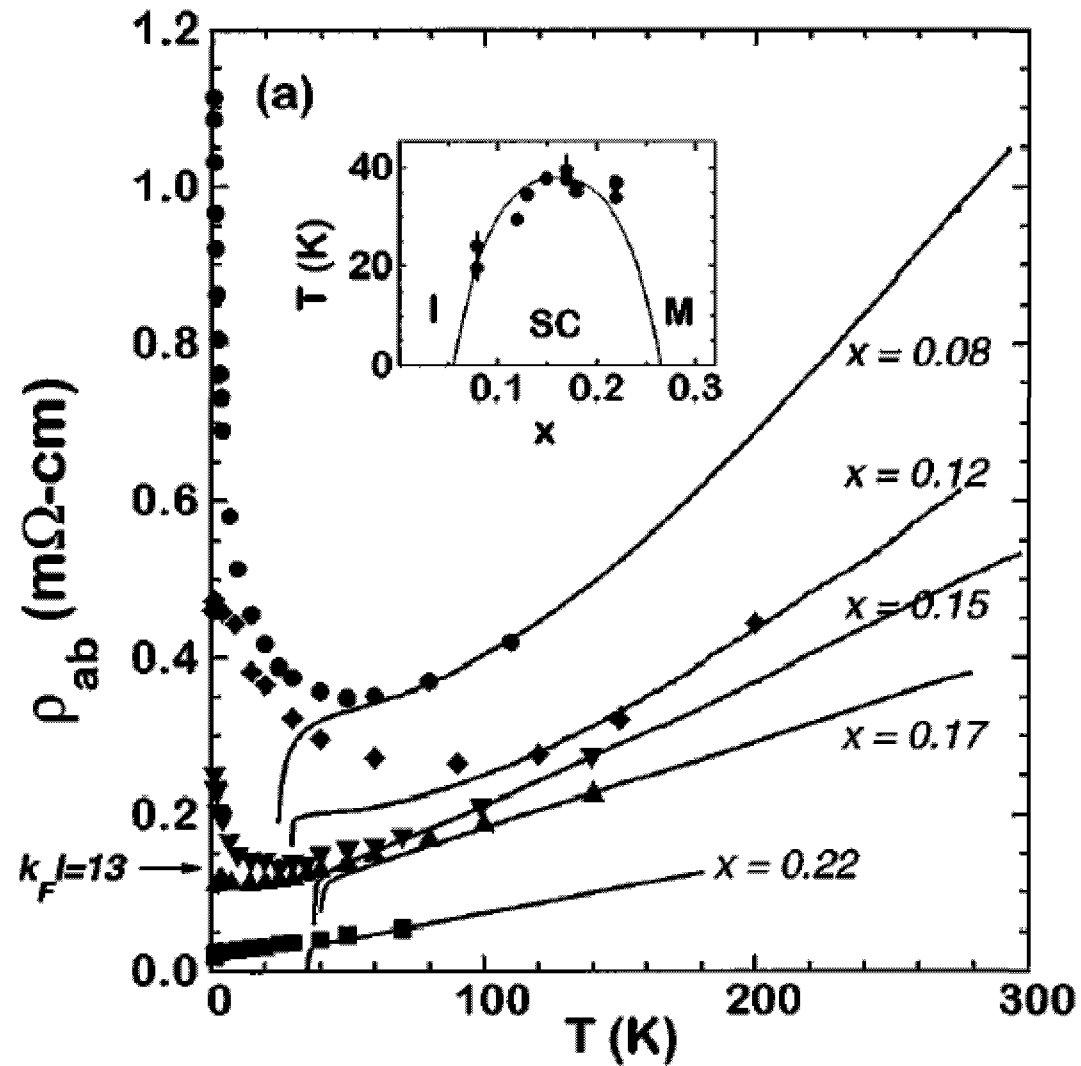


Electron-Doped NCCO

Y. Onose et al. Phys.
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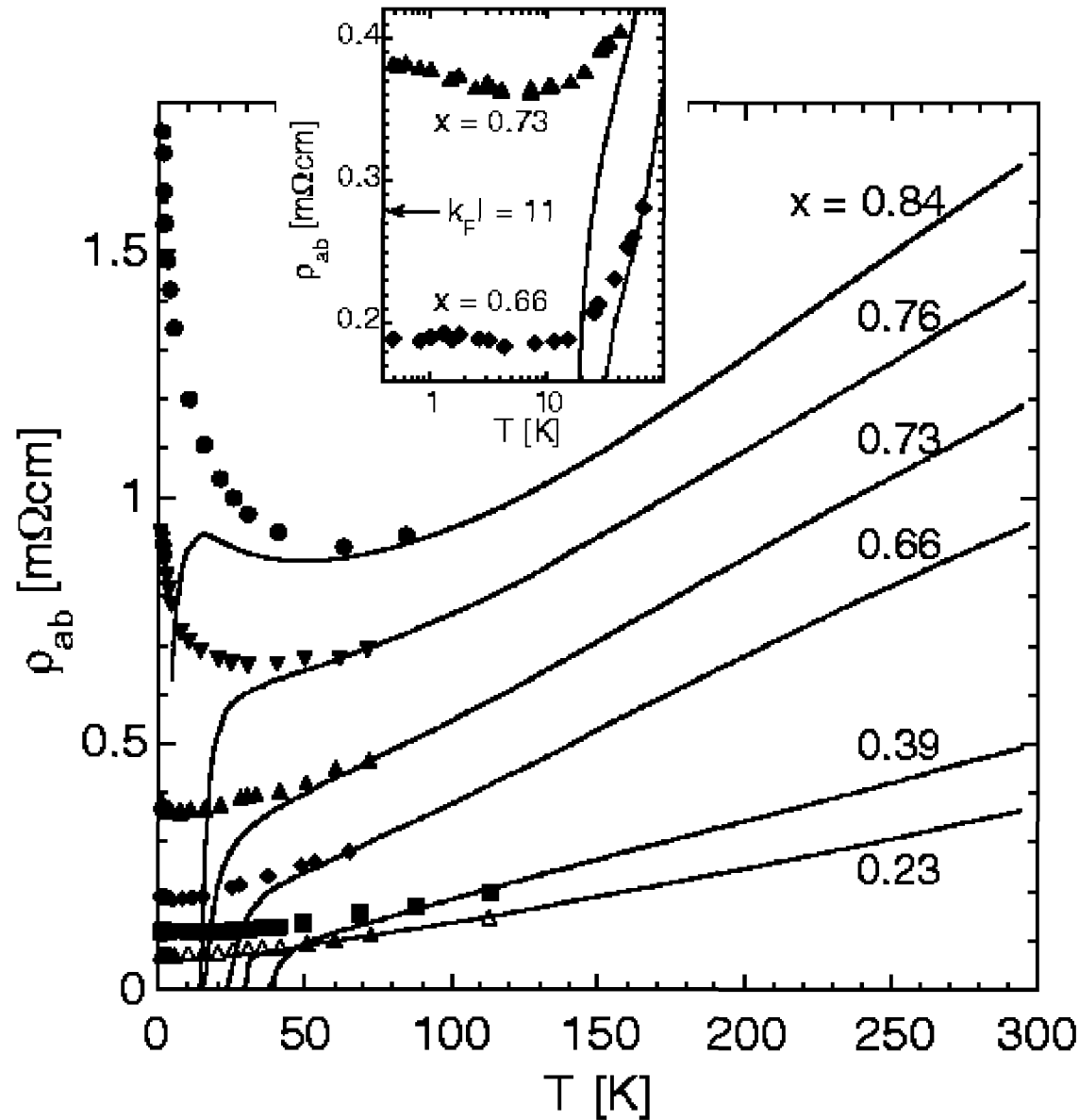


Y. Ando et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **83**, 2813 (1999)



LSCO in 0T /60T magnetic field

G.S. Boebinger et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **77**, 5417(1996)



$\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_{2-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_{6+y}$ La-doped Bi - 2201 in 0T/60T magnetic field

S. Ono et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **85**, 638 (2000)

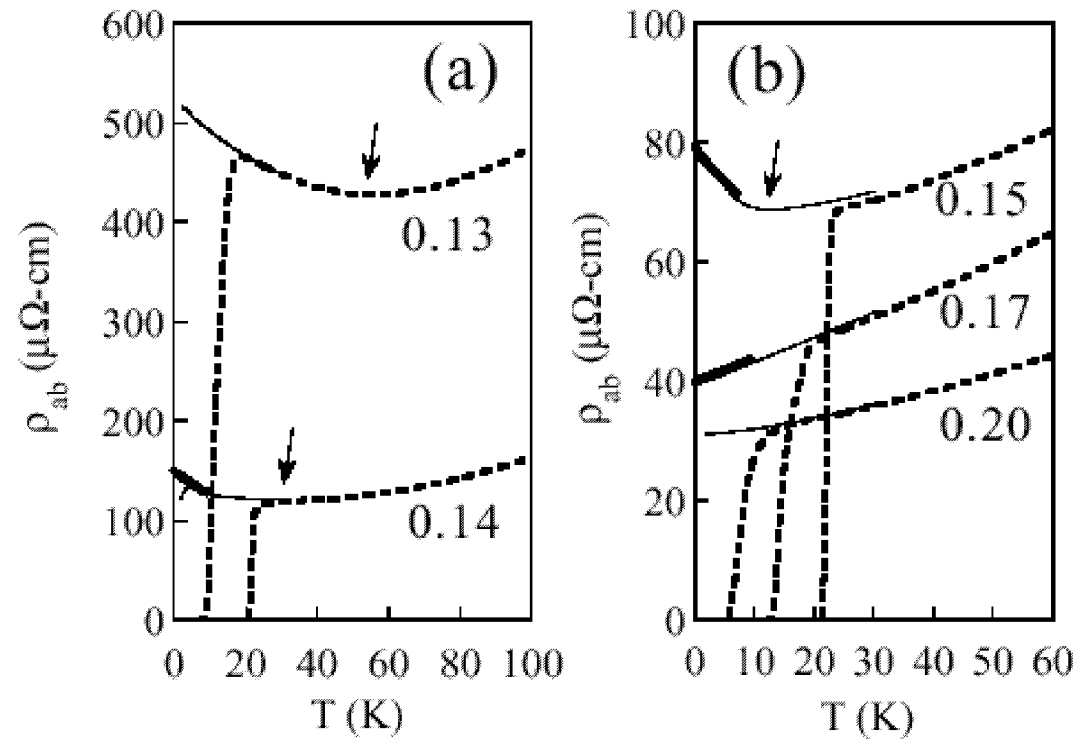


FIG. 1. Resistivity ρ_{ab} as a function of temperature for the c -axis oriented $\text{Pr}_{2-x}\text{Ce}_x\text{CuO}_4$ thin films in magnetic fields of 0 T (dashed lines), 8.7 T (thin lines), and 12 T (thick lines). (a) $x = 0.13$ and 0.14; (b) $x \geq 0.15$. The field is applied along the c axis.

Electron doped material, $k_F l \sim 25$

P. Fournier et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **81**, 4720 (1998)

-- “Obvious” explanation as 2D localization
DOES NOT WORK!

Estimated $k_F l \sim 0.1$ for $x = 0.01$ LSCO w/o field
 $\sim 12 - 25$ for M-I in SC samples

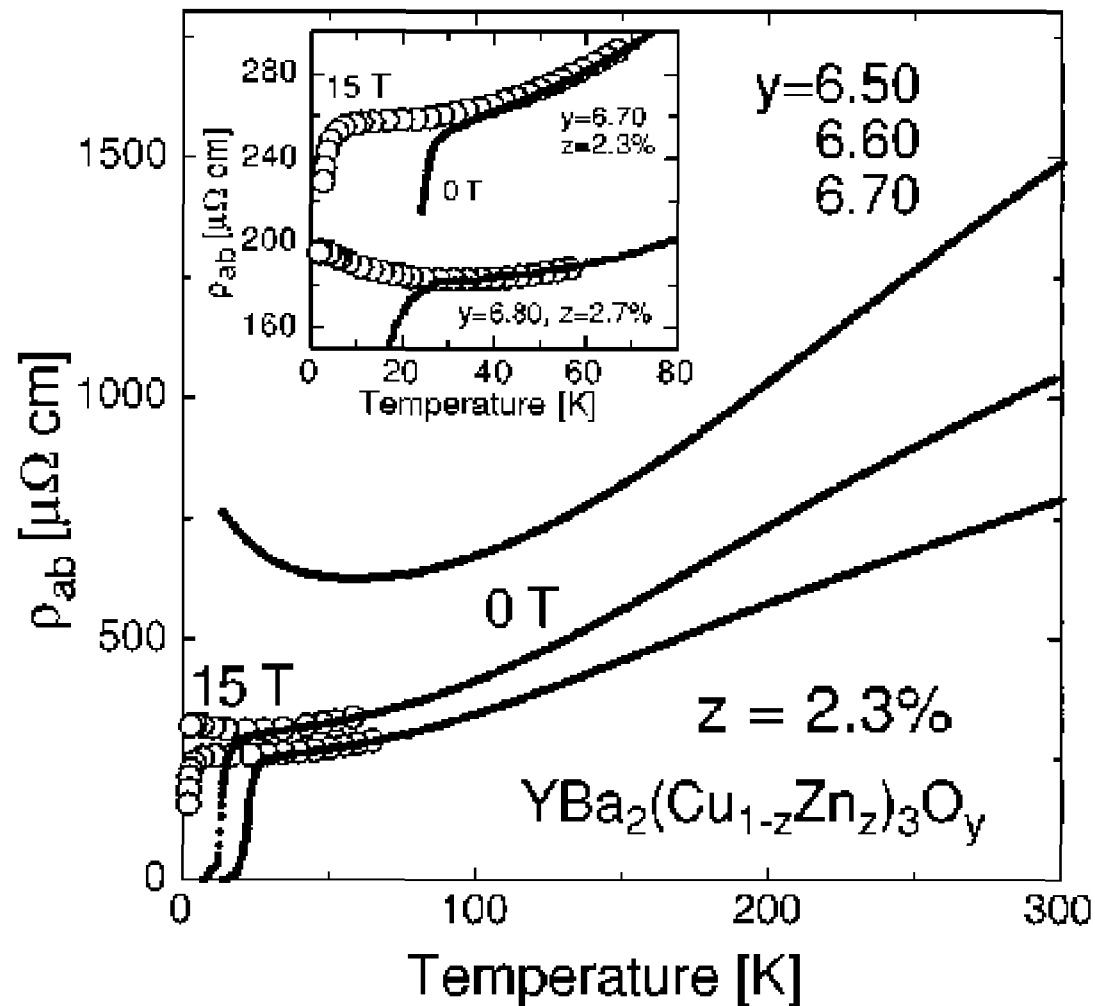
Not due to Cooper pair localization, either.

-- Proximity to quantum critical point?

In La-doped Bi-2001 only up to $1/8$ doping, no signatures of stripe formation

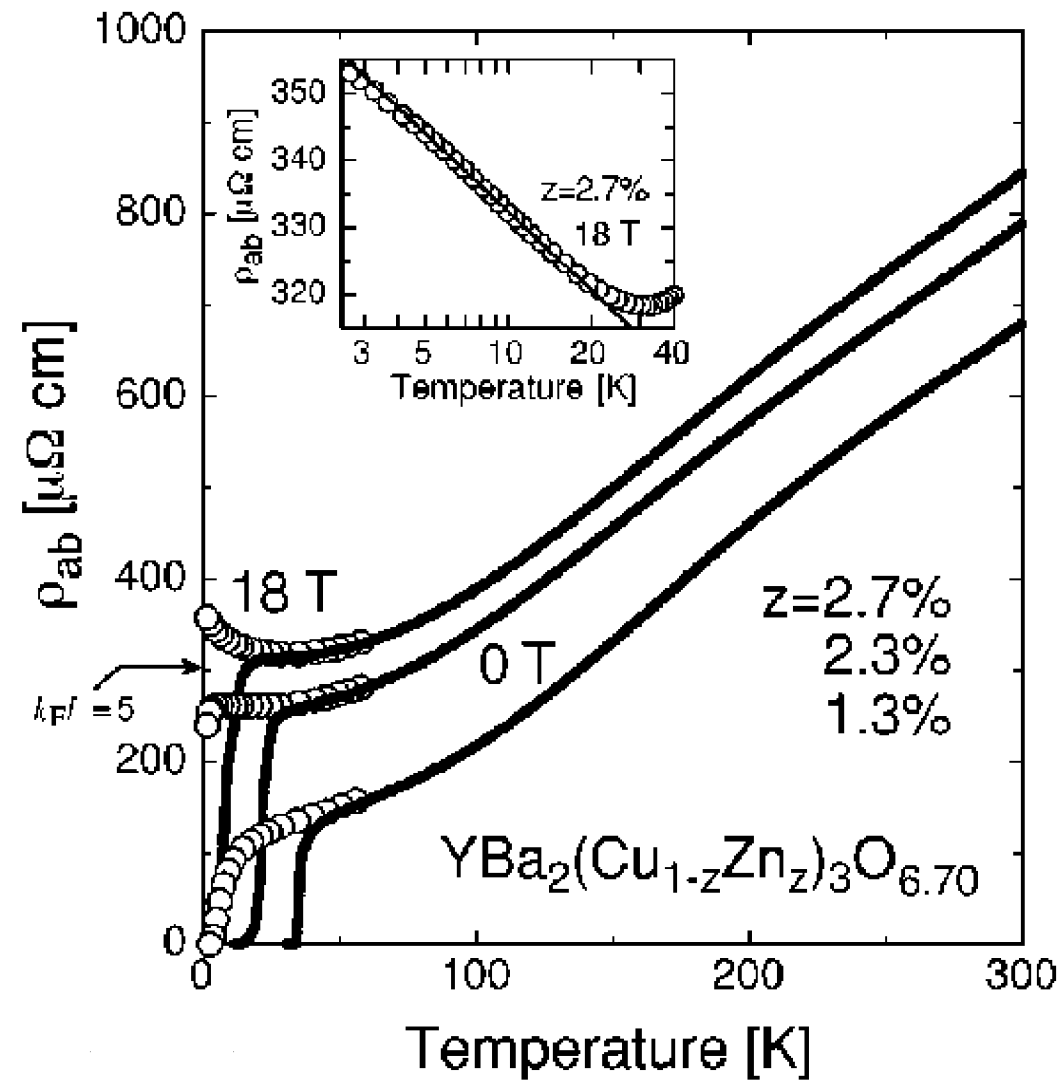
-- Two phenomena : M-I crossover with and w/o magnetic field
are of the same origin?
YES or NO?

Continuous change in Zn-doped samples.



Continuous change from M-I w/o magnetic field to
absence of M-I crossover

K. Segawa et al. Phys. Rev. B **59**, 3948 (1999)



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Basic Considerations

- Insulating behavior (localization) is mainly due to interaction rather than disorder
- We start from AF long range order; doping converts LRO to SRO

holes disturb spin background

spin excitations acquire a gap (mass)

$$m_s \propto J(-\delta \ln \delta)^{1/2} \text{ (DERIVED!)}$$

$$\text{LRO} \Rightarrow \text{SRO} \quad \xi \propto m_s^{-1}$$

The gauge field has dissipation $\propto \delta T$:

Renormalized holes holes can diffuse

Competition of gap effect with dissipation Localization versus diffusive motion

gives rise to metal-insulator crossover

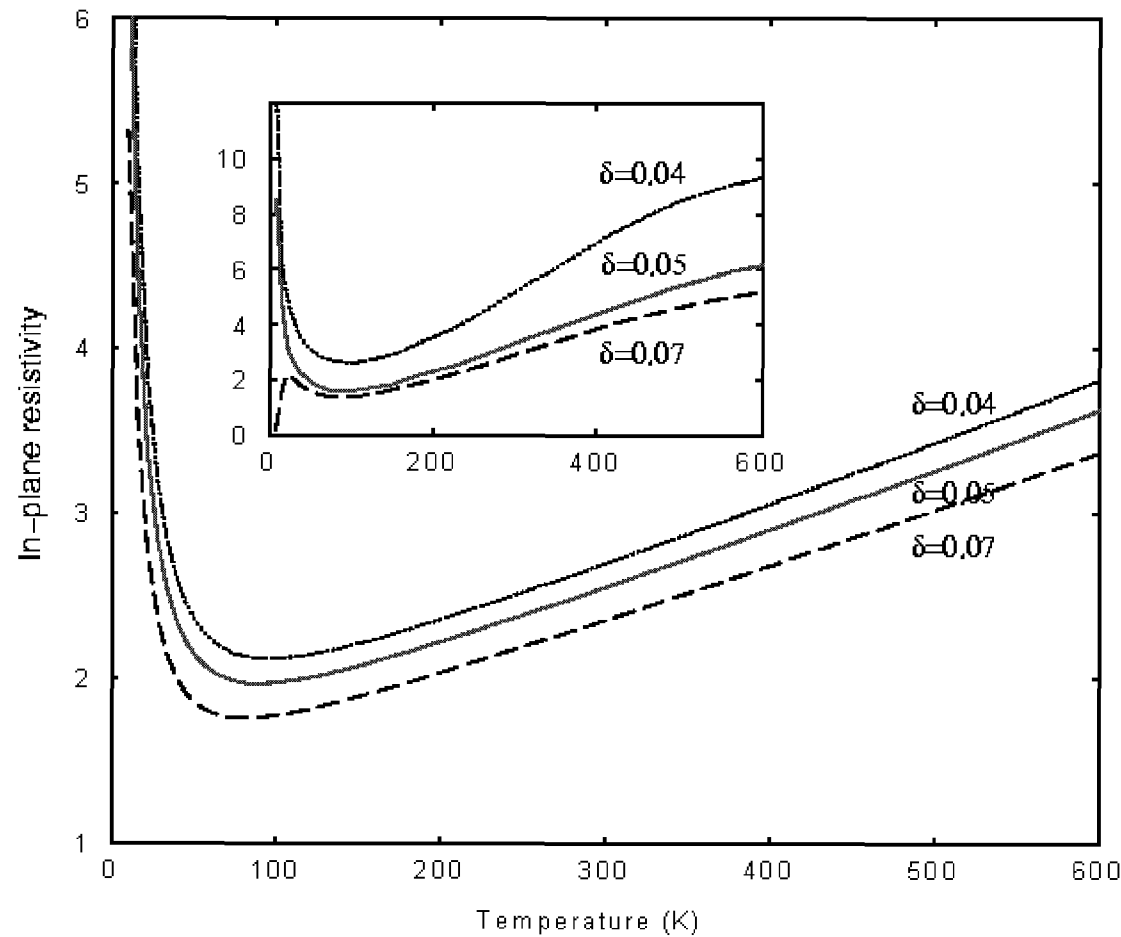
$$T_{M-I} \propto t(-\ln\delta) \text{ for low } \delta$$

“peculiar” localization due to SR AF order. Magnetic correlation length $\xi^2 \propto m_s^{-2} \propto 1/(-\delta \ln \delta)$

Thermal de Broglie wave length: $\lambda^2 \propto 1/Tm_h \propto \chi/T$
 χ diamagnetic susceptibility

If $T/\chi \gg m_s^2$ or $\lambda \ll \xi$, the “magnetic localization” is not felt, system is metallic (only smallest scale matters)

Otherwise, $T/\chi \ll m_s^2$ or $\lambda \gg \xi$, system is insulating



Data from H. Takagi
et al. Phys. Rev. Lett.
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Calculated resistivity compared with
experiments, no adjustable parameters
except for resistivity scale

Strong coupling approach

- Single occupancy constraint

“standard” form: $\psi_{i\sigma}^+ \psi_{i\sigma} \leq 1$

- Spin-charge separation- Slave particles

$$\psi_{i\sigma}^+ = h_i^+ z_{i\sigma}$$

h_i - fermion - holon, carrying charge

$z_{i\sigma}$ - boson - spinon, carrying spin

Constraint:

$$h_i^+ h_i + \sum_{\sigma} z_{i\sigma}^+ z_{i\sigma} = 1$$

Gauge approach to treat correlations

- mismatch of degrees of freedom $4 \rightarrow 4+2-1$
- underlying gauge symmetry

$$\begin{array}{l} z_{i\sigma} \Rightarrow z_{i\sigma} e^{i\phi_i} \\ h_i \Rightarrow h_i e^{i\phi_i} \end{array} \quad \text{Physical operator} \quad \psi_{i\sigma} \quad \text{gauge invariant}$$

- Introduce a spinon-holon gauge field
Physical observable-gauge invariant
- First enlarge Hilbert space, then eliminate extra degrees of freedom by “gauge fixing”

Baskaran & Anderson; Ioffe & Larkin

U(1): Lee & Nagaosa, many others

SU(2): Wen, Lee, Nagaosa & Ng

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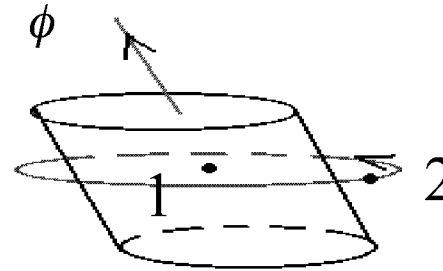
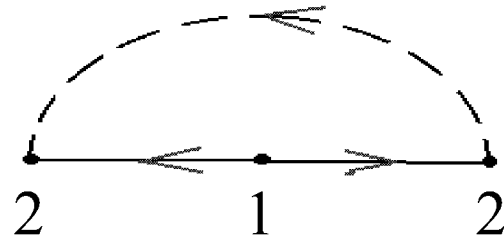
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Sketch of derivation

- Chern-Simons bosonization
- Gauge fixing
- Optimization of holon partition on spinon background
- Effective (long wave length limit) spinon action: nonlinear σ model
- Effective holon action: Dirac structure
- Gauge field propagator: Reizer singularity

Basic Ideas of Chern-Simons Bosonization

Anyons in 2D



$$\psi(\phi + \pi) = e^{-i\theta} \psi(\phi), \text{ where } -\infty < \phi < \infty$$

$\theta = 0$ - boson, $\theta = \pi$ - fermion, arbitrary - anyons

Aharonov-Bohm effect: modification of wave function

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{iq \oint \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{l}} \psi = e^{iq\phi} \psi$$

Attaching flux changes statistics by

$$\delta\theta = \frac{q\phi}{2}$$

2π flux converts boson into fermion and v.v.

π ($-\pi$) flux makes boson (fermion) “semion” $\theta = \pi/2$

- Jordan-Wigner transformation

$$c_j^+ = a_j^+ e^{-i\pi \sum_{i < j} a_i^+ a_i}$$

Express fermions in terms of hard-core bosons

- 1D abelian bosonization: (Luther & Peschel, Mattis)

$$\psi_\alpha(x) \propto e^{\frac{i}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x dy \dot{\phi}(y) - (-1)^\alpha i \sqrt{\pi} \phi(x)}$$

- Abelian bosonization in (2+1)D: (Mele, Semënoff, Fradkin, Baskaran,...)

- Analogue of J-W formula

$$\psi_\alpha(x) \propto \phi(x) e^{i \int_{\gamma_x} A_\mu(y) dy^\mu}$$

- Additional factor $\exp(-kS_{c.s.})$ in path integral Chern-Simons action:

$$S_{c.s.} = \frac{1}{4\pi i} \int d^3x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} A_\mu \partial_\nu A_\rho$$

With C.S. coefficient (level) $k = 1/(2l+1)$, $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

For non-relativistic fermions

$$\psi(x) \propto \phi(x) e^{i(2l+1) \int d^2 y \Theta(x-y) \phi^+(y) \phi(y)},$$
$$\Theta(x-y) = \arctan \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^1 - y^1}$$

Fractional statistics: Aharonov-Bohm phase
 $2\pi\theta$, $\theta=0, 1/4, 1/2 \Rightarrow$ boson, semion, fermion

Non-abelian bosonization in (2+1)D:

Rewrite fermion partition function and correlation in terms of boson theory (Fröhlich, Kerler, Marchetti)

What is a good Mean Field Theory?

Gauge field approach can be derived as a MF approximation using different C.S. representations in 2D. For a suitable choice of group G and coefficient k_G we can replace fermionic action with single occupancy constraint

$$S(\psi) \rightarrow S(\chi, W) + k_G S_{c.s.}(W)$$

where $S(\chi, W)$ is obtained from $S(\psi)$ by substituting ψ with a new field χ , bosonic or fermionic, depending on G and k_G , minimally coupled to gauge field W with group G , and the C.S. action

$$S_{c.s.} = (1/4\pi i) \int d^3x \, \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \text{Tr}(W_\mu \partial_\nu W_\rho + 2/3 W_\mu W_\nu W_\rho)$$

The new action is exactly equivalent to the original fermionic action.

Each of these representations can be taken as a starting point of MFA.

For example,

$S(\psi)$ – action of the t - J model

$G = U(1)$, $k_{U(1)} = 1 \rightarrow$ slave boson theory

IDEA: Introduction of C.S. action of W
attaches a G vortex to each fermion (boson) described
by $\chi \rightarrow$ Aharonov-Bohm effect guaranteeing
the anticommutation relation of the original fermions.

The choice we made:

χ as fermion of spin 1/2; G as $U(1) \times SU(2)$

Introducing:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{a } U(1) \text{ gauge field } B_\mu \\ \text{an } SU(2) \text{ gauge field } V_\mu \equiv V_\mu^{(a)} \sigma_a / 2 \\ \text{(acting on the spin space)} \end{array} \right.$$

$\mu = 0, 1, 2; \sigma_a$ -- Pauli matrices, $a = 1, 2, 3$

$$\Psi_{j\alpha} = \exp(-i \int_{\gamma_j} B) H_j^+ (P \exp(i \int_{\gamma_j} V))_{\alpha\beta} \Sigma_{j\beta},$$

H_j^+ is a spinless fermion

$\Sigma_{j\beta}$ are spin 1/2 hard-core boson with constraint

$$\Sigma_\alpha \Sigma_\alpha^+ \Sigma_\alpha = 1$$

Why $U(1) \times SU(2)$??

In 1+1D:

Electron is decomposed into holon and spinon plus attached "strings"

$$\psi_x = H_x e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{l>x} H_l * H_l} \left[e^{i \frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{l<x} b_l * b_l} b_x \right]$$



Charged semion spin 1/2 semion

The “semionic” nature turns out to be essential:

spin 1/2 spinons are “deconfined”

spin and charge are separated

Exact critical exponents (Bethe Ansatz and conformal field theory) are reproduced at the “mean field” level.

t - J Model

$$H = P_G \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} [-t\psi_i^\dagger \psi_j + h.c. + J(\psi_i^\dagger \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \psi_i)(\psi_j^\dagger \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \psi_j)] P_G$$

1D t - J model:



Exact
spin-charge
separation

2D t - J model:

What can we say about spinons and holons?

Free

Bound State

Confined

OPEN QUESTION !!!

Gauge fixing conditions

$U(1)$ - charge sector

Coulomb gauge $\partial_\mu B_\mu = 0$

Integration over B_0 \longrightarrow $B = \bar{B} + \delta B(H)$
 $\bar{B} \quad e^{i \int_{\partial p} \bar{B}} = -1 \quad \pi \text{ flux phase}$

$SU(2)$ - spin sector

$$\Sigma_j = \sigma_x^{|j|} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Néel gauge

Split V into “Coulomb” part and g

$$\begin{cases} V \rightarrow g^\dagger V^{(c)} g + g^\dagger \partial g \\ \mathcal{D}V \rightarrow \mathcal{D}V^{(c)} \mathcal{D}g \end{cases}$$

Integration over V_0 yields $V_\mu^c(g, H)$

Up to now no approximations

Counting degrees of freedom:

$H(2) + g(3) = 5$, but the $U(1)$ spinon/holon gauge field to be fixed.

Maximization of partition function for a given holon configuration (mathematical physics proof)

Hint from 1D:

“happy” configuration: $\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\bigcirc\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow$

“unhappy” configuration:

$\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\bigcirc\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow$

moving spins to form “squeezed” A-F chains

$\bigcirc\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\bigcirc\downarrow\bigcirc\bigcirc\uparrow\downarrow\bigcirc\bigcirc\bigcirc\uparrow\downarrow\bigcirc\bigcirc$

$\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow$

each swap brings a “phase” $\sim\pi/2$ for large U

“memory” is kept by “strings”

$$\psi_x = H_x e^{i\frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{l>x} H_l^* H_l} \left[e^{i\frac{\pi}{2} \sum_{l<x} b_l^* b_l} b_x \right]$$

For 2D the counterpart of “kink” is vortex
of V field

$$V^c(g, H) = \bar{V}^c(H) + \delta V(g, H)$$

$\bar{V}^c(H)$

optimal configuration

$\delta V(g, H)$

fluctuations around MF

Mean field approximation:

neglect δV and δB responsible for semion statistics

keep feedback of holons on V

Justifiable for 2D:

No real spin-charge separation: bound state

Low energy action for spinons S_s

Taking continuum limit, integrate out ferromagnetic component, in CP^1 representation:

$$z_1^* z_1 + z_2^* z_2 = 1$$

$$S_s = \int d^3x \frac{1}{g} \left[v_s^{-2} |(\partial_0 - A_0) z_\alpha|^2 + |(\partial_\mu - A_\mu) z_\alpha|^2 + m_s^2 z_\alpha^* z_\alpha \right]$$

$g=8/J$, v_s is J dependent spin velocity, A is $U(1)$ spinon/ holon gauge field. This $O(3)$ nonlinear σ model describes spin wave propagation in vortex fields V , and the “mean field” treatment gives

$$m_s^2 = \langle \overline{V}^2 \rangle \approx -\delta \ln \delta$$

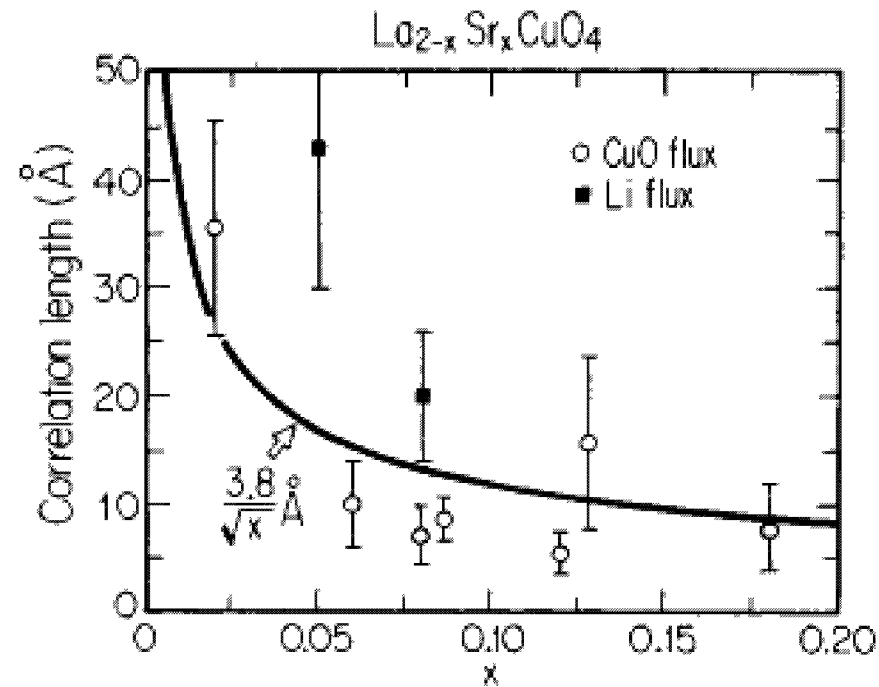
This can be justified for $J \ll t$

It is consistent with neutron scattering data

ln dependence gives rise to important consequences

Early neutron data- interpretation now derived from theory:

$$\xi \sim m_s^{-1} \sim (\delta)^{-1/2}$$

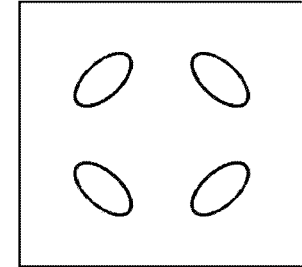


R.T. Birgeneau et al. Phys.Rev. B **38**, 6614 (1988)

Low energy action for holons S_h

The π -flux per plaquette, mean field of B shifts energy minima to $(\pm\pi/2, \pm\pi/2)$

two species of Dirac-like two component spinons ψ^r , $r=1,2$; $e_r = \pm 1$



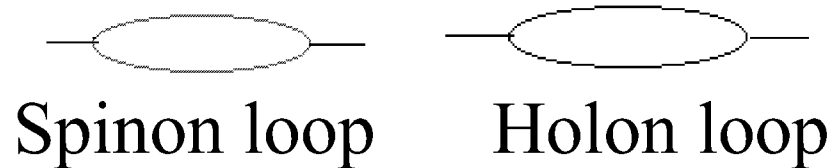
$$\int dx_0 d^2x \sum_r \bar{\psi}^{(r)} [\gamma^0 (\partial_0 - e_r A_0 - \delta) + t(\not{\partial} - e_r \not{A})] \psi^{(r)},$$

$$\not{A} = \gamma_\mu A_\mu, \not{\partial} = \gamma_\mu \partial_\mu, \gamma_0 = \sigma_z, \gamma_\mu = (\sigma_y, \sigma_x),$$

The “Dirac” structure, especially presence of $\gamma^0 \delta$ term is crucial
one species is gapless, FL-like $\varepsilon_F \sim t\delta$

another species gapful, mixing affects spectral weight

Gauge field propagator: Reizer singularity



If only spinons, massive particle -Maxwell-like action:
 $(\omega^2 - v^2 q^2)$ - in real space $\sim \ln R$ logarithmic confinement
 Presence of Fermi surface \Rightarrow dissipation \Rightarrow singular propagator

Analogy with skin effect:

Normal: dissipation q - independent, only length scale, skin depth

$$\delta \propto \frac{c}{\sqrt{2\pi\omega\sigma}} \gg \ell$$

Anomalous skin effect: $\delta \ll \ell$ dissipation $\sim q^{-1}$

Here also anomalous dissipation and a new scale

$$\tilde{q} = \left(\frac{\kappa\omega}{\chi} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A_\mu^\perp A_\nu^\perp \rangle(q, \omega) &\propto (i\omega\lambda_h(\vec{q}) - \chi|\vec{q}|^2)^{-1} \\ \langle A_0 A_0 \rangle(q, \omega) &\propto (\nu_h + \omega_p)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda_h = \kappa / q, \sim 0(\delta) \quad \text{Landau damping}$$

$$\chi = \chi_h + \chi_s, \chi_h \sim m_h^{-1} \sim o(\delta^{-1}),$$

$$\chi_s = \nu_s m_s^{-1} \sim o((- \delta \ln \delta)^{-1/2})$$

ν_h holon density, ω_p plasmon frequency

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Calculation of conductivity

Coupling to external electromagnetic field: holons or spinons?

$$S_{eff}(A, A_{e.m.}) = S_s(z, A - \varepsilon A_{e.m.}) + S_h(\psi, A + (1 - \varepsilon) A_{e.m.})$$

If quadratic in A , after integration over A

$$\Pi_{e.m.} = [\Pi_s^{-1} + \Pi_h^{-1}]^{-1}$$

Using Kubo formula

$$\sigma(\omega) \propto \text{Im}\Pi(\omega)/\omega$$

One can derive Ioffe-Larkin formula: $R = R_h + R_s$

Is it valid only in perturbation?

Effective action in scaling limit (long distance, low energy) is quadratic to all orders in coupling (Fröhlich, Götschmann, Marchetti, 1995)

Holon contribution

Lee & Nagaosa, Ioffe & Wiegmann

$$R_h \propto \delta \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_F \tau_{imp}} + \left(\frac{T}{\varepsilon_F} \right)^{4/3} \right]$$

τ_{imp} impurity scattering time

It turns out to give minor contributions except for very high temperatures

Spinon contribution

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} \propto \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \langle z^*(x) z(y) z^*(y) z(x) \rangle_A$$

How to calculate correlation functions gauge-invariantly?

Feynman-Schwinger-Fradkin path integral

$$\langle T(z^*(x) z(y)) \rangle = ((\partial_\mu - A_\mu)^2 + m^2)^{-1}(x, y) = i \int_0^\infty ds e^{-im^2 s} e^{is(\partial_\mu - A_\mu)^2(x, y)}$$

Like a particle in field A_μ

$$= i \int_0^\infty ds e^{-im^2 s} \int_{q(0)=x, q(s)=y} Dq(t) e^{i \int_0^s dt [\dot{q}_\mu^2(t)/4 + \dot{q}_\mu(t) A^\mu(q(t))]}$$

Change variable $q \rightarrow \dot{q} = \phi$

$$\sim i \int_0^\infty ds e^{-im^2 s} \int D\phi^\mu(t) e^{\frac{i}{4} \int_0^s \phi_\mu^2(t) dt} e^{i \int_0^s \tilde{A}_\mu(t) \phi^\mu(t) dt} \int d^3 p e^{ip_\mu (x^\mu - y^\mu - \int_0^s \phi^\mu(t) dt)}$$

where $\tilde{A}_\mu = A_\mu(x + \int_0^t \phi(t') dt')$

Introducing the identity:

$$\int_0^s A_\mu(x + \int_0^t \phi_\mu(t') dt') \phi^\mu(t) dt = \int_0^1 d\lambda (y^\mu - x^\mu) A_\mu[(1-\lambda)x + \lambda y] \\ - \int_0^1 d\lambda \lambda \int_0^s dt \int_0^t dt' \phi^\mu(t) \phi^\nu(t') F_{\mu\nu}[x + \lambda \int_0^t \phi(t') dt']$$

The field strength

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

under the constraint

$$y - x = \int_0^s \phi(t) dt$$

Denoting the first term on right as $\int_x^y \tilde{A}$

$$G(x, y | A) = \exp\{i \int_x^y \tilde{A}\} G(x, y | F)$$

$$\exp\{i \int_x^y \tilde{A}\}$$

along straight line, not gauge independent

$$G(x, y | F)$$

depends only on field strength F , is gauge invariant

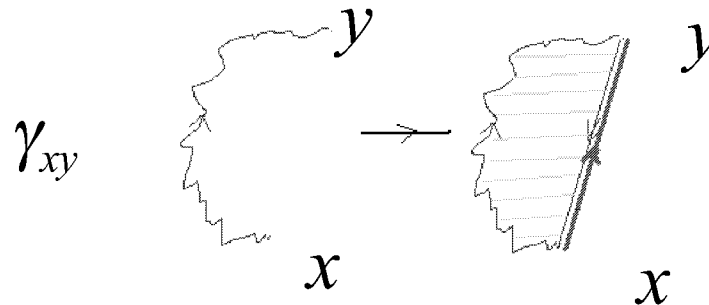
$$G(x, y | F) \rightarrow G(x, y | 0)$$

“Gor’kov” approximation

Pictorially:

$$\langle z^*(x)z(y) \rangle$$

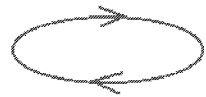
$$= \sum \int_{\{x \rightarrow y\}}$$



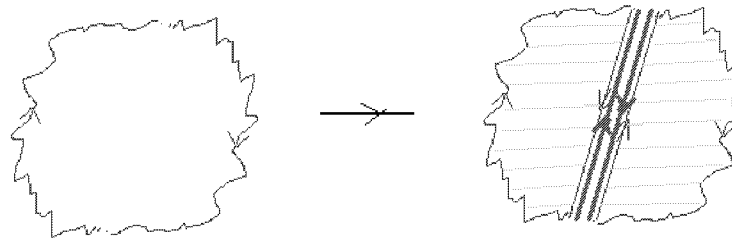
path $\{x \rightarrow y\}$ carries “gauge phase factor”

$$e^{i \int_{\gamma_{xy}} \tilde{A}}$$

polarization “bubble”



$$\sim \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \int DA e^{A \Pi A} \sum \int_{\{x \rightarrow y\}} \sum \int_{\{y \rightarrow x\}}$$



gauge dependent prefactors cancel.

Integration

$$\exp(i \int_0^1 d\lambda \lambda \int_0^s dt \int_0^t dt' \phi^\mu(t) \phi^\nu(t') F_{\mu\nu}[x + \lambda \int_0^t dt' \phi(t')])$$

can be preformed if action quadratic

Eikonal approximation:

$$\langle e^{i\hat{O}(\phi)} \rangle_{\phi} \Rightarrow e^{i\langle \hat{O}(\phi) \rangle_{\phi}}$$

In calculating the gauge-invariant part we limit ourselves to Gaussian approximation

Multiple integrals are calculated using saddle point approximation

In the temperature range

$$m_s^2 \geq T / \chi \geq q_0 m_s, q_0 = \left(\frac{\kappa T}{\chi} \right)^{1/3}$$

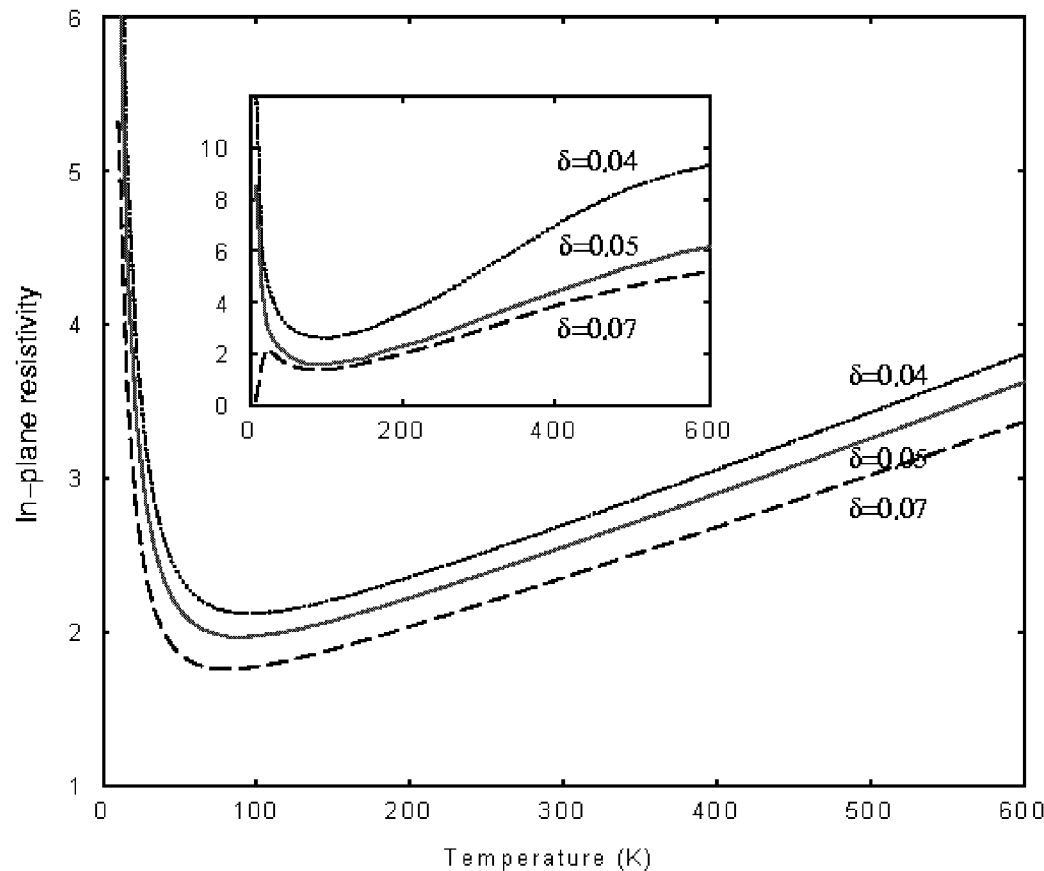
between tens and hundreds degrees q_0 --typical inverse length scale as in anomalous skin effect

Spinon contribution

$$R_s \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{\delta}} \frac{(m_s^4 + (\frac{cT}{\chi})^2)^{1/8}}{\sin[\frac{1}{4} \arctan(\frac{cT}{\chi m_s^2})]}$$

Apart from R scale, no adjustable parameters.

- At low T , the spin gap effect dominates, $R \propto 1/T$ insulating behavior
- At higher T the gap effect is less important and R grows due to gauge fluctuations



$$R = R_s + R_h$$

Data from H. Takagi
et al. Phys. Rev. Lett.
69, 2975 (1992)

$$\xi^2 \propto 1/\delta |\ln \delta|; \lambda^2 \propto \chi/T \propto 1/\delta T$$

As δ increases, both ξ and λ decrease, but $|\ln \delta|$ decreases, so ξ decreases less, and the M-I crossover temperature goes down. The presence of \ln is crucial.

Spin-relaxation rate

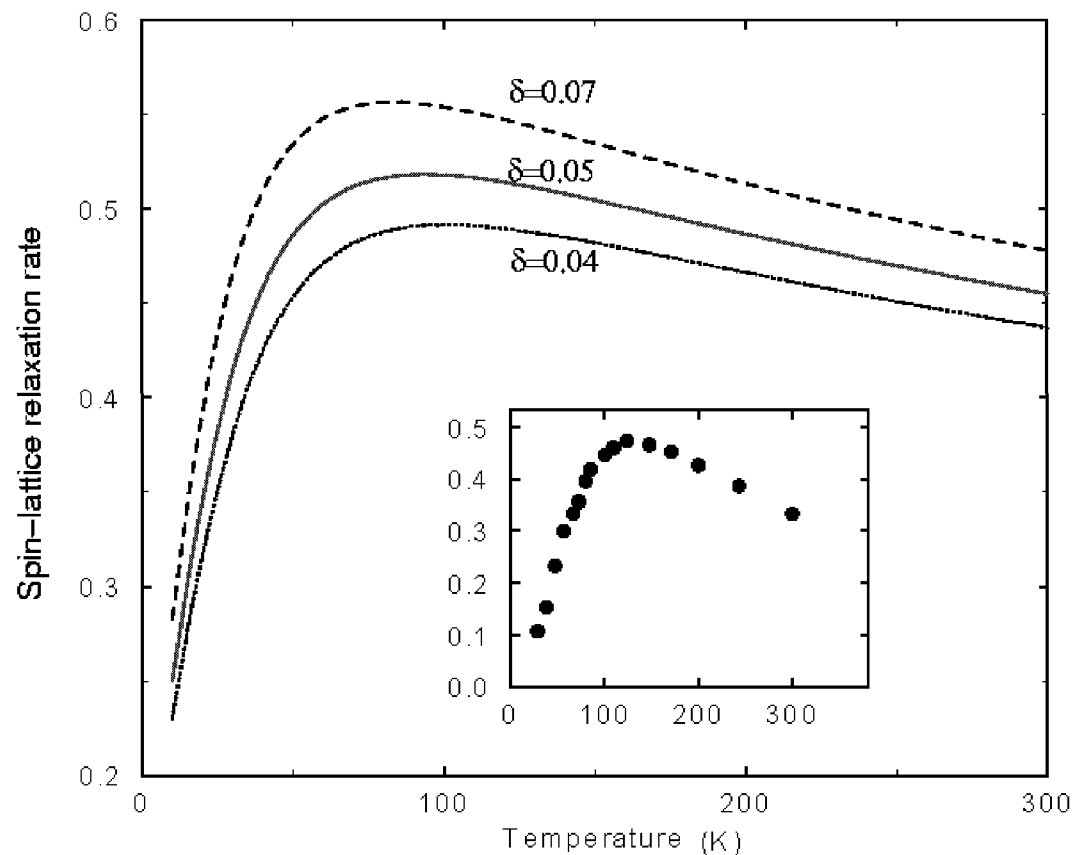
$$\frac{1}{T_1 T} \propto \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int d^2 q |f(q)|^2 \frac{\text{Im} \chi_s(\vec{q}, \omega)}{\omega}$$

$f(q)$ form factor peaked near $\vec{q} = (\pi, \pi)$

$$\langle \vec{S}(x) \vec{S}(0) \rangle \propto e^{i\pi|x|} (1 - \delta)^2 \langle z * \vec{O}z(x) z * \vec{O}z(0) \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T_1 T} &\propto (1 - \delta)^2 (m_s^4 + (\frac{cT}{\chi})^2)^{-1/8} \\ &\times \{ a \cos[\frac{1}{4} \arctan(\frac{cT}{\chi m_s^2})] + b \sin[\frac{1}{4} \arctan(\frac{cT}{\chi m_s^2})] \} \\ a/b &\sim 10^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

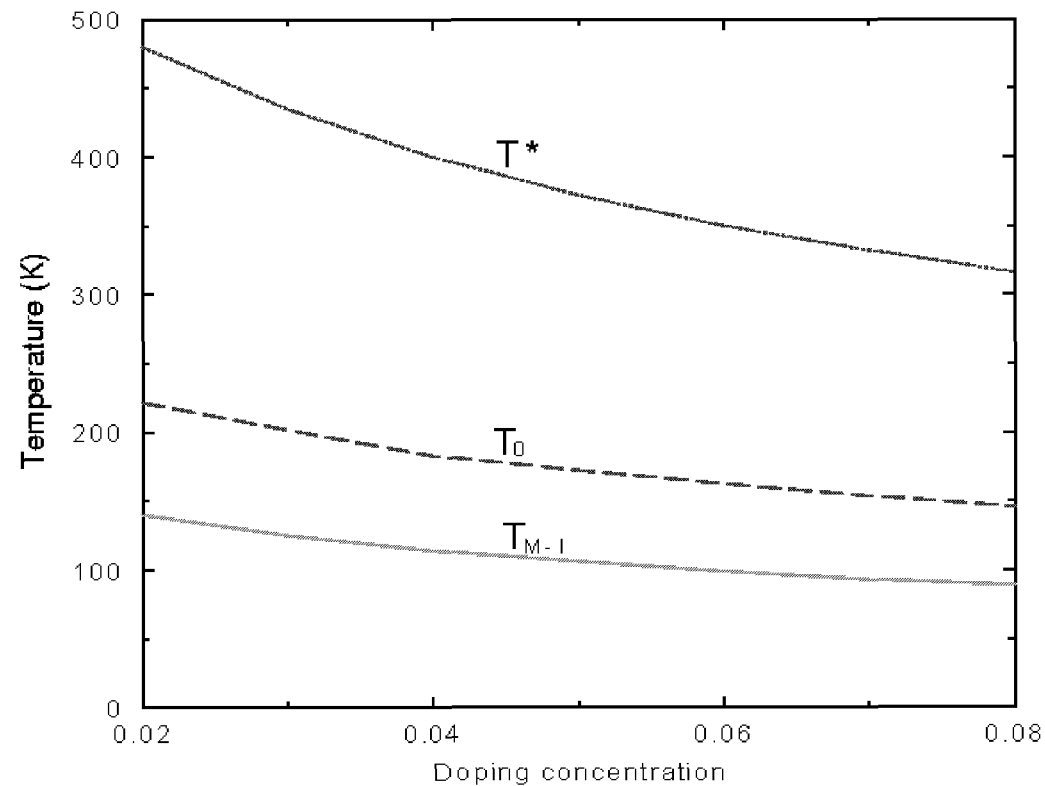
Maximum near the M-I crossover temperature



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Data from C. Berthier et al. Physica C **235-240**,67 (1994)

Characteristic temperatures



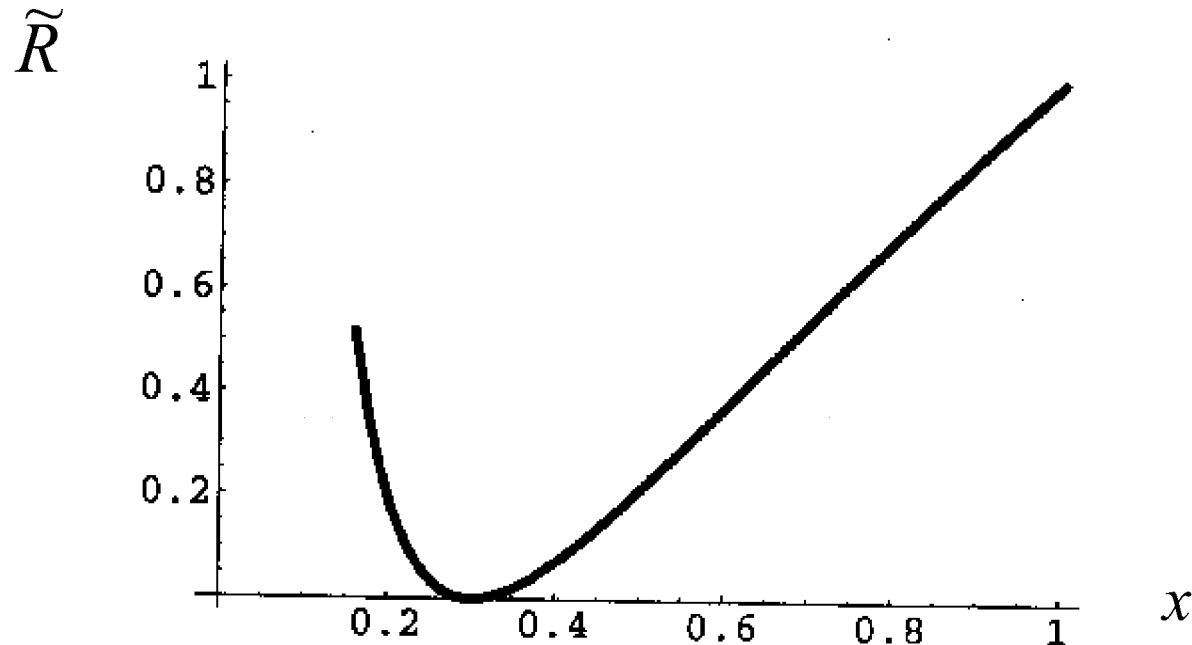
T^* defined as $d^2R/dT^2=0$, inflection point

T_0 defined as maximum of the NMR relaxation

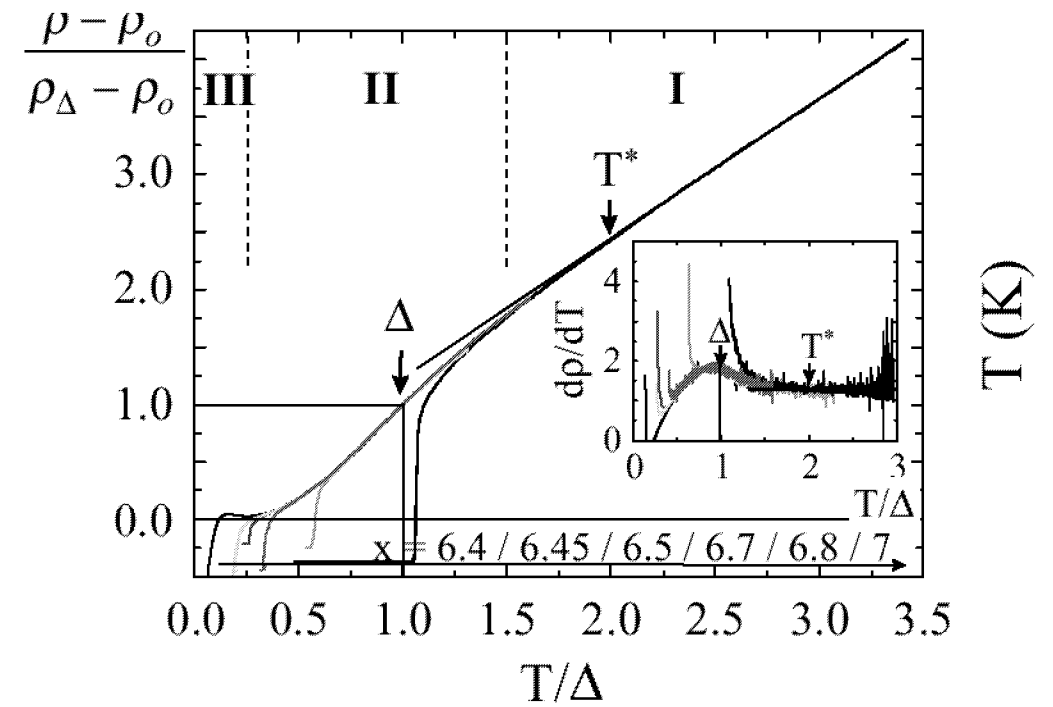
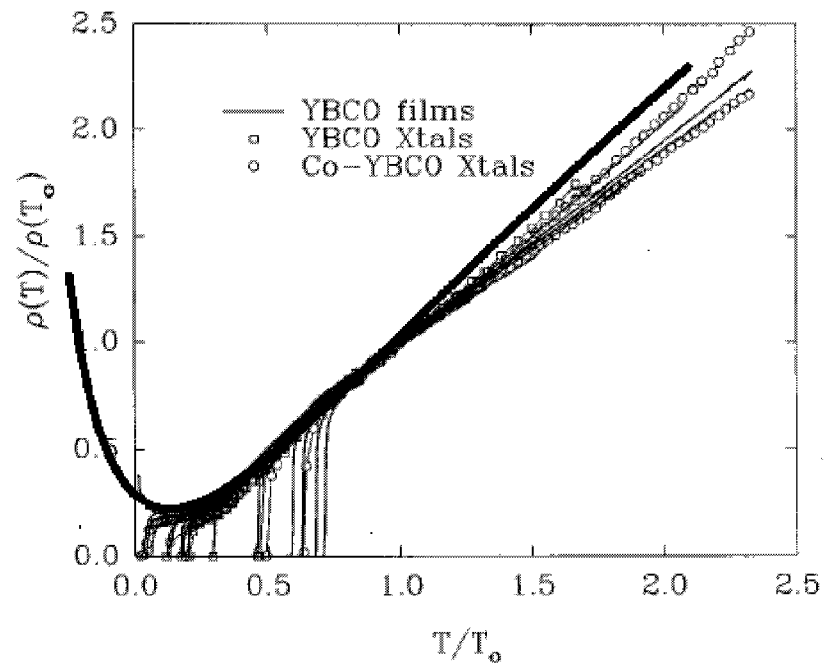
Universality of resistivity curve

If we identify $T^*(\delta)$ with experimental T^* , both MI crossover temperature $T_{MI}(\delta)$ and $T^*(\delta)$ are in agreement with experiments in range $0.02 \leq \delta \leq 0.08$. R_s is function of $x = cT/\chi m_s^2 \cong T/T^*$ apart from factor $(|\ln \delta|)^{1/2}$. Universal function of x .

$$\tilde{R} \equiv [R - R(T_{MI})]/[R(T^*) - R(T_{MI})]$$



Experimental curves



B. Wuyts et al PRB **53**, 9818 (1996)

L. Trappeniers et al. Cond-mat/9910033

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Magnetic Field Effects

Ioffe-Larkin formula still holds: $R = R_h + R_s$

Two effects: classical (cyclotron) and quantum: $A_{e.m.}$ couples with $-\varepsilon$ to spinons, $(1 - \varepsilon)$ to holons, $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq 1$

To be consistent with requirement:

$\chi^{-1} = (\chi_s^*)^{-1} + (\chi_h^*)^{-1}$, χ_s^* , χ_h^* renormalized susceptibilities

$$\varepsilon = \chi_h^* / (\chi_h^* + \chi_s^*)$$

Replacing them by unrenormalized values:

$$\varepsilon \approx \chi_s / (\chi_h + \chi_s) \approx \frac{J}{t} \sqrt{\delta / |\ln \delta|} \ll 1$$

Effective Action in Coulomb Gauge

$$S_{eff}(A) = \int dx^0 d^2x \left[\frac{i}{2} [A^0 (\Pi_h^0 + \Pi_s^0) A^0 + (A^T - \varepsilon A_{e.m.}) \Pi_s^\perp (A^T - \varepsilon A_{e.m.}) \right. \\ \left. + (A^T + (1 - \varepsilon) A_{e.m.}) \Pi_h^\perp (A^T + (1 - \varepsilon) A_{e.m.})] + \frac{i\sigma_h(H)}{2\pi} A^0 \varepsilon_{ij} \partial^i A^j \right]$$

Minimal couplings to holons and spinons. C.S. breaks time reversal symmetry

Quantum effects: Renormalization of diamagnetic susceptibility in A^T effective action

$$\chi \rightarrow \chi(H) = \chi + \frac{\sigma_h^2}{4\pi^2\gamma}$$

Holon contribution R_h

(Ioffe, Kotliar) and (Ioffe, Wiegmann)

$$R_h = R_h^0 \left[1 + \left(\frac{(1 - \varepsilon) H \tau}{m_h} \right)^2 \right],$$
$$R_h^0 \propto \frac{m_h}{\tau} \propto \delta \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_F \tau_{imp}} + \left(\frac{T}{\varepsilon_F} \right)^{4/3} \right]$$

τ transport relaxation time, τ impurity scattering time

Spinon contribution R_s

Renormalization of the spinon mass

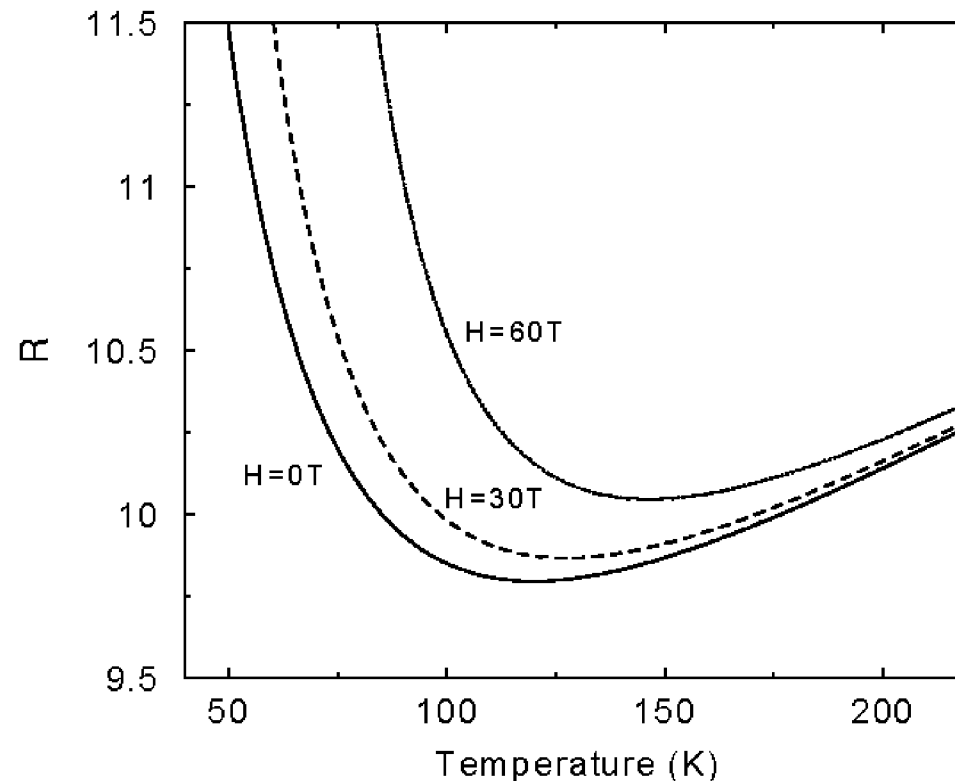
$$m_s^2(T, H) = m_s^2 - i \left[\frac{cT}{\chi(H)} - \frac{\varepsilon^2 H^2}{3q_0^2} \right], \quad q_0 \propto \left(\frac{\delta^2 T}{t} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$R_s \propto Z(T, H) \frac{|m_s(T, H)|^{1/4}}{\sin(\theta(T, H)/4)},$$

$$m_s(T, H) = |m_s(T, H)| e^{i\theta(T, H)}, \quad Z(T, H) = \frac{c'T}{\chi(H)q_0^3} - \frac{2\varepsilon^2 H^2}{3q_0^5}$$

M-I crossover from M to I survives, $T_{M-I}(\delta, H)$ is decreasing with δ , increasing with H .

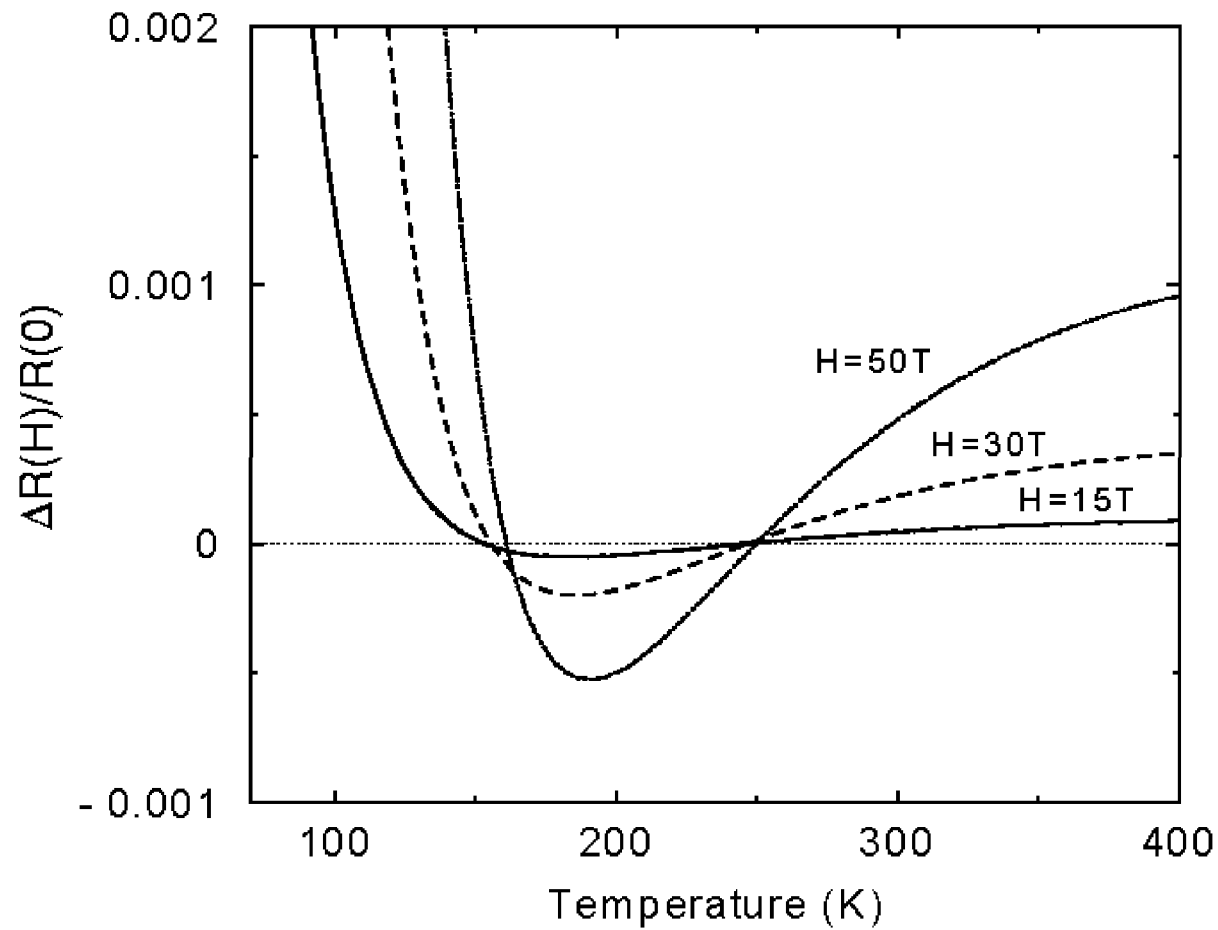
Magnetic Field Dependence of M-I Crossover



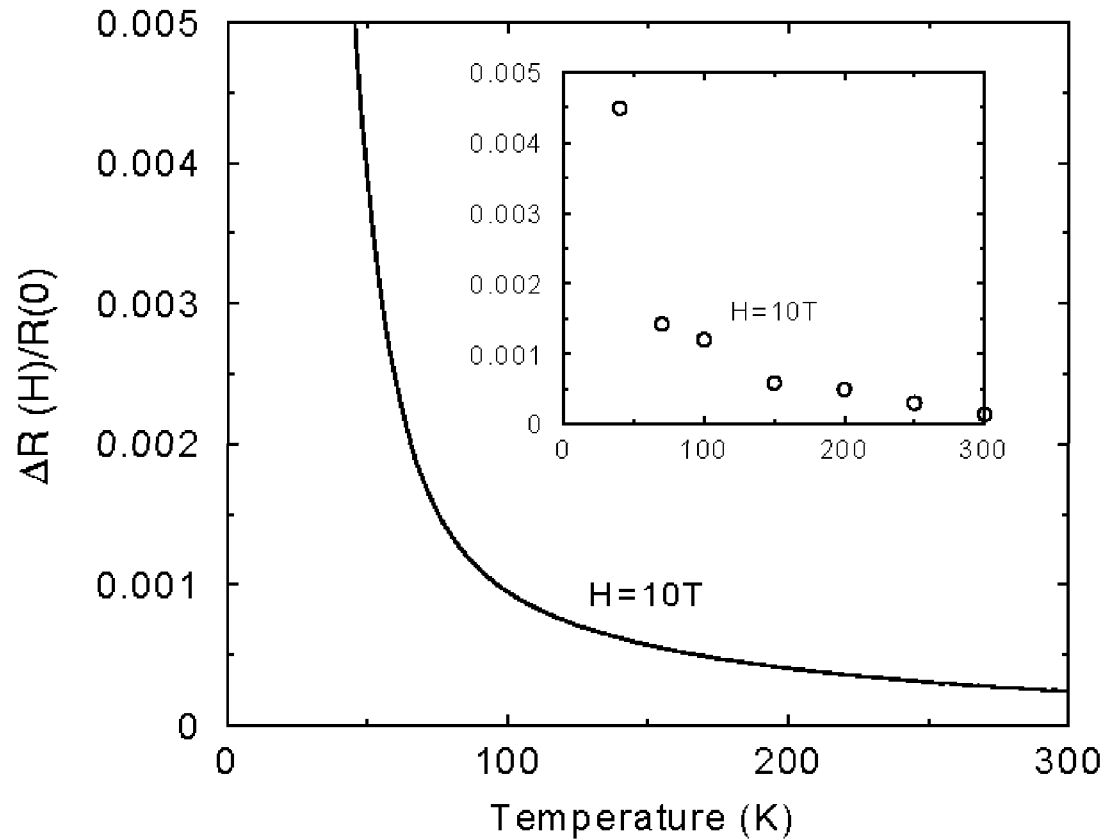
Diamagnetic susceptibility χ increases with field H , de Broglie wave length $\lambda^2 \propto \chi/T$ increases, while ξ remaining unchanged. M-I crossover temperature goes up with field H .

Magnetoresistance $\Delta R = R(H) - R(0)$

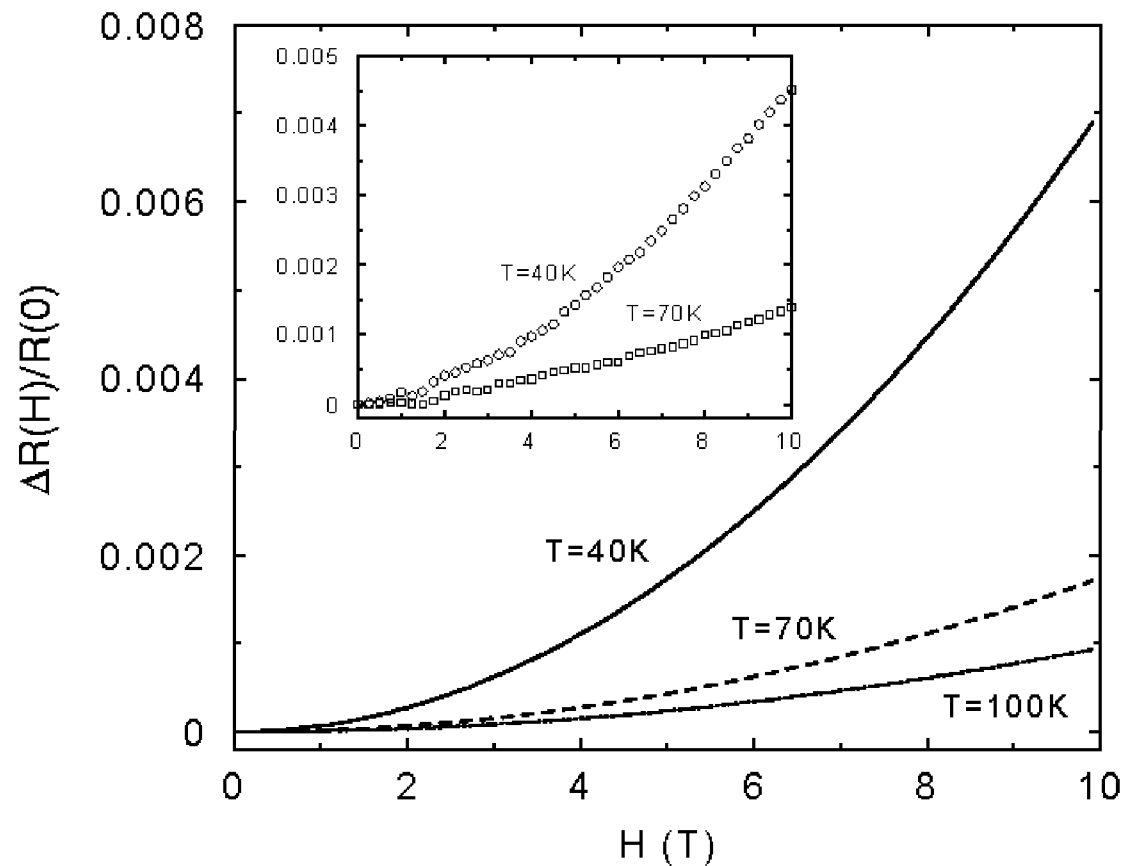
- Shift of T_{M-I} leads to a large MR at low temperature, in agreement with experiments.
- Shift of χ induced by C.S. term and H^2 term due to minimal coupling reduce dissipation. In region when dissipation dominates, it leads to negative MR.
- Two possible MR curves: all positive, with a knee near T_{M-I} , or a negative region around T_{M-I} .



Calculated MR curves when quantum effects are strong. $\delta = 0.05$.



Calculated temperature dependence of MR for $\delta = 0.075$, compared with data on $\text{La}_{1.925}\text{Sr}_{0.075}\text{CuO}_{4+\epsilon}$ from A. Lacerda et al. Phys. Rev. B **49**, 9097 (1994)



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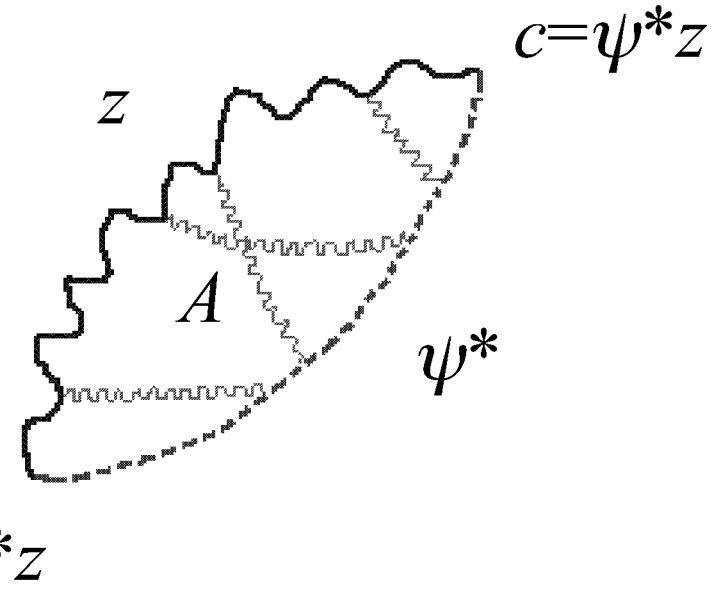
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Calculation of electron Green's function and observables: ARPES and c -axis resistivity

$$G(x,y) = \langle T(c(x), c^+(y)) \rangle$$

Electron field: $c(x) = \psi^*(x)z(x)$



$$G(x,y) \propto \langle \langle T(\psi^*(x)\psi(y)) \rangle \langle T(z^*(y)z(x)) \rangle \rangle_A$$

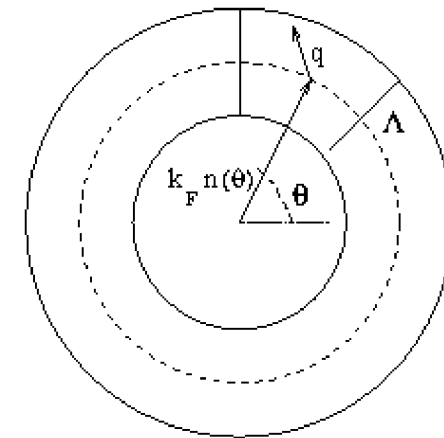
$$G_{\alpha}^e(x,y) = \frac{\int DA_{\mu} G^h(x,y|-A) G^s(x,y|A) e^{iS_{eff}(A)}}{\int DA_{\mu} e^{iS_{eff}(A)}}$$

Spinon propagator

$$G^s(x_0, |\vec{x}|) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_0^2 - |\vec{x}|^2}} e^{-i\sqrt{m_s^2 - \frac{T}{\chi} f(\alpha)} \sqrt{x_0^2 - |\vec{x}|^2}} e^{-\frac{T}{4\chi} q_0^2 g(\alpha) \frac{x_0^2 - |\vec{x}|^2}{m_s^2}}$$

Holon propagator: Finite Fermi Surface

Choose in K space a shell of thickness $\Lambda \ll k_F$, and decompose into quasi-1D systems with zero density



$$k = k_F n(\vartheta) + q \quad |q| < \Lambda \ll k_F$$

$$\int dk \rightarrow \int d\vartheta \int_{\Lambda} dq$$

Electron Green's function

$$G(\omega, k_F \mathbf{n}(\vartheta) + \mathbf{q}) = B(\vartheta) \frac{Z}{\omega - \Gamma - \Delta \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\vartheta)}$$

- $Z \longrightarrow$ wave function renormalization constant
 $\Re \Gamma \longrightarrow$ renormalization of the chemical potential
 $\Im \Gamma \longrightarrow$ inverse lifetime for the “electron” on the FS
 $B(\theta) \longrightarrow$ “angular” modulation of the Green's function

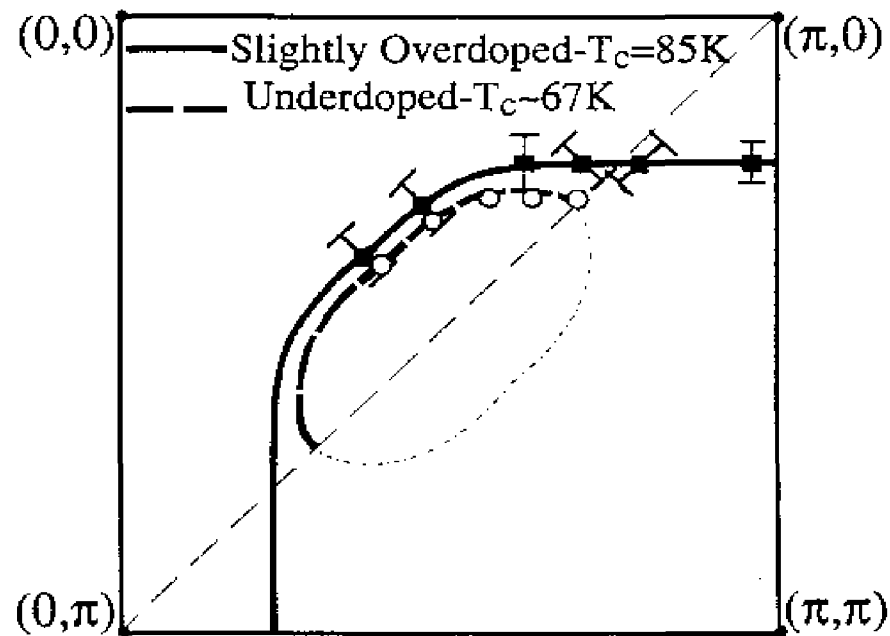
Dependence on T :

$\Im \Gamma \sim T$, insulating phase

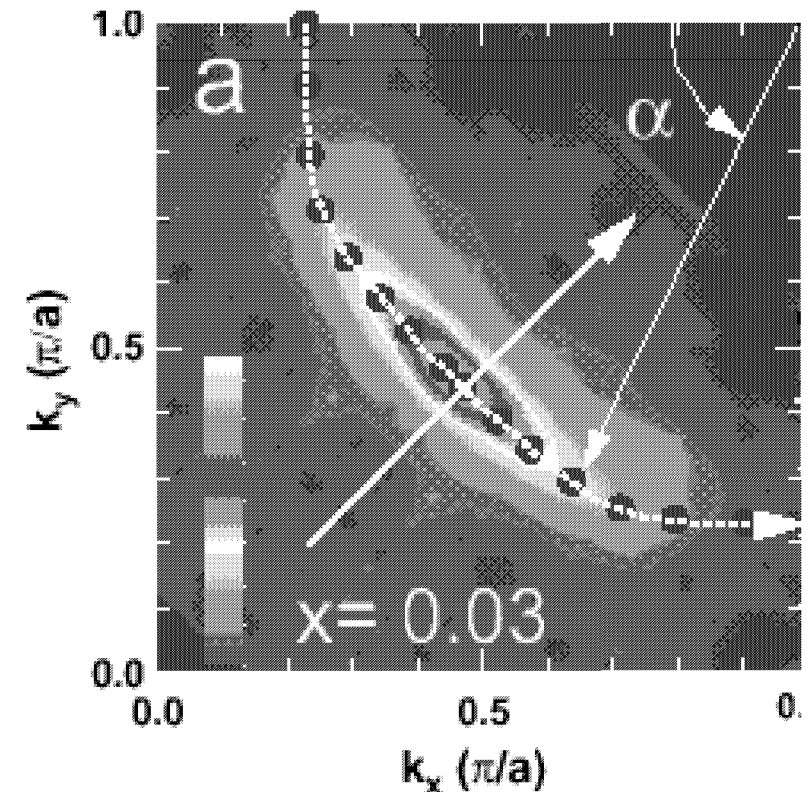
$\Im \Gamma \sim T^{1/2}$, metallic phase

Temperature dependence of WF renormalization $Z \sim T^{1/6}$

Fermi Surface

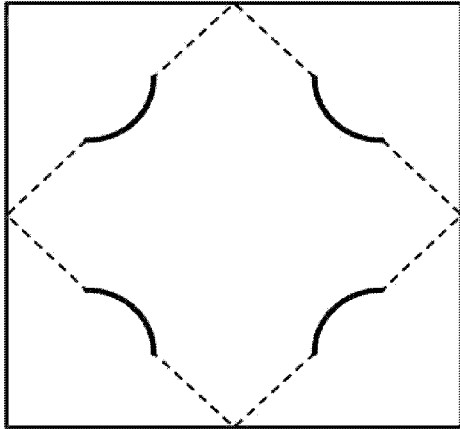


Early data on BSCO. D.S. Marshall
et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **76**, 4841 (1996)



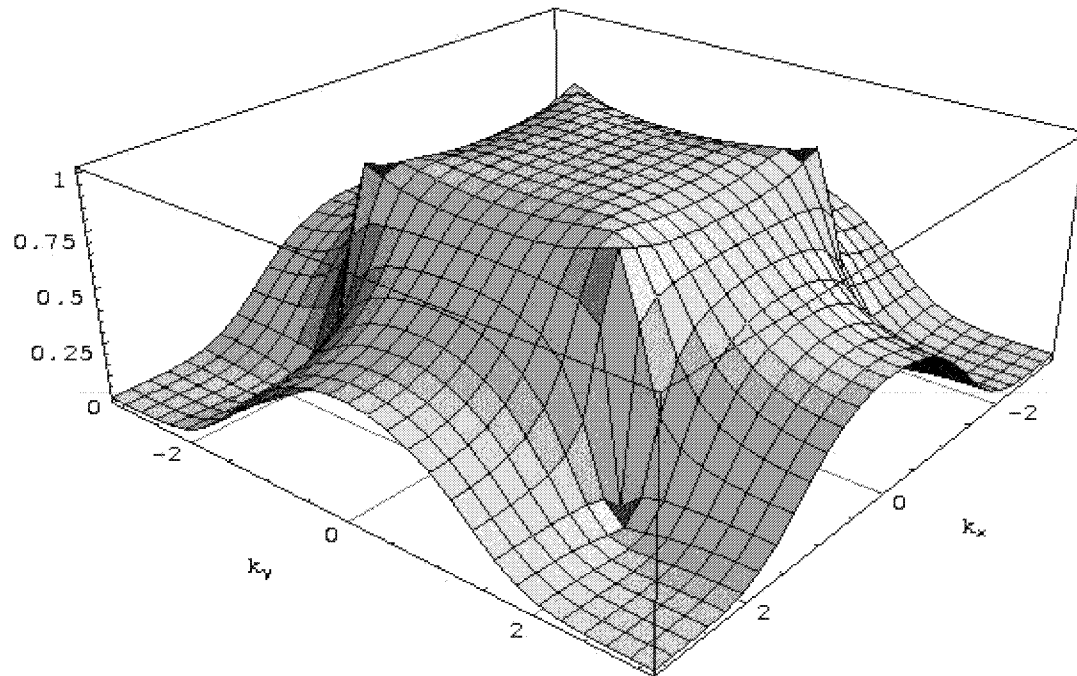
Fermi “arc” in 3% doped LSCO
T. Yoshida et al. Cond-mat/ 0206469

Calculated Fermi Surface



ARPES intensity $\sim \text{Im } G(\mathbf{k}, \omega) f(\omega)$

Fermi arc



Renormalization due
to Dirac structure $B(\vartheta)$

$$B(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{\cos k_x \cos k_y}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{\cos^2 k_x + \cos^2 k_y}} \right)$$

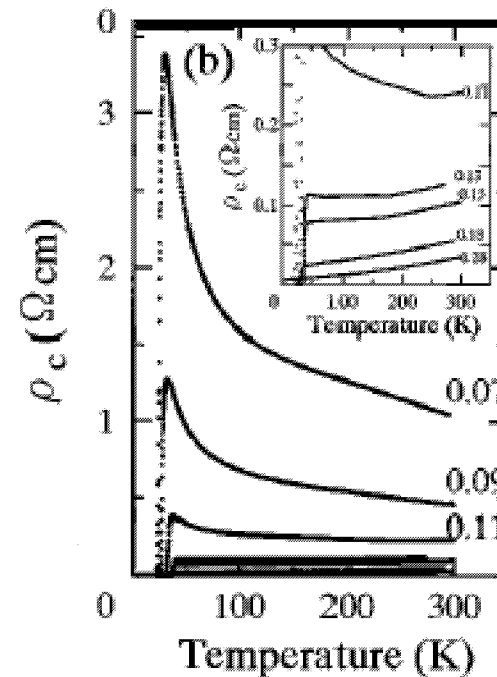
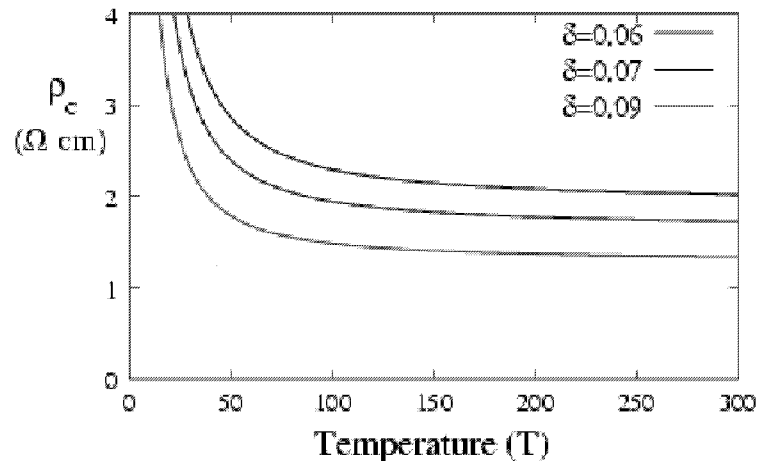
C-Axis Resistivity

Kumar et al. Interlayer tunneling blocked by in-plane scattering

$$G^R(\omega, k) = \frac{Z}{\omega - \xi_k + i\Gamma}$$

$$\rho_c = \frac{const}{v(\epsilon_F)} \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma} + \frac{\Gamma}{t_c^2 Z^2} \right)$$

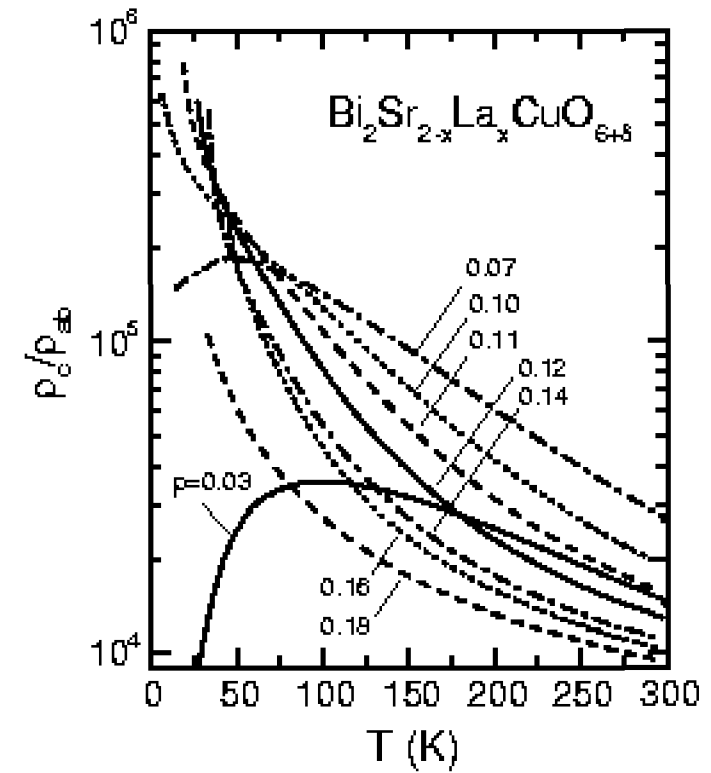
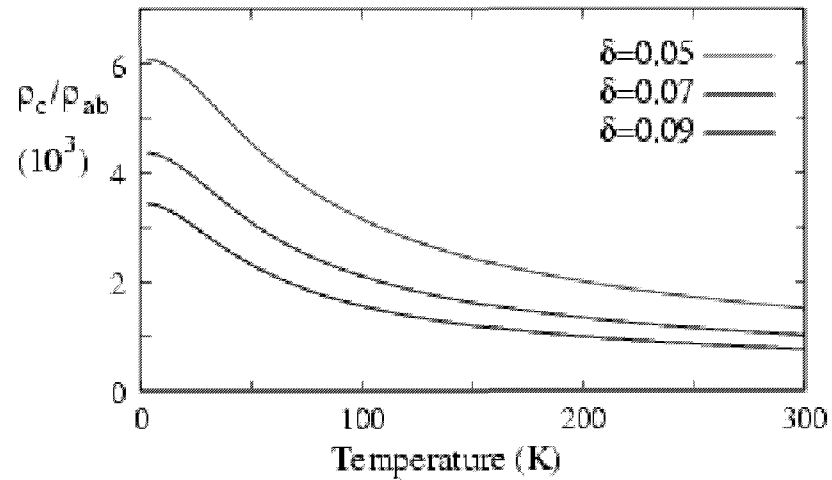
Theory anticipates a kink from T^{-1} at low T to $T^{-1/2}$ at high T



Kink in experiments. Kimura et al.'96

Anisotropy Ratio ρ_c / ρ_{ab}

Theoretical curve



Ono & Ando, cond-mat/ 0205305

Concluding remarks

- Gauge field approach can provide a consistent explanation for M-I crossover in and w/o magnetic field
- It can also explain a number of other experiments: NMR relaxation, ARPES, anisotropy ratio, etc.
- To be generalized to higher doping and SC state

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