

Confinement and Bechgaard salts

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- Organic Superconductors: quasi-one dimensional systems (Bechgaard salts)
- TMTTF and TMTSF molecules
- Remarkable properties :
 - Non Fermi liquid behavior
 - Quantum Hall effect
 - Superconductivity and Frohlich conductivity

Organic (super-) conductors

TMTSF₂(X)

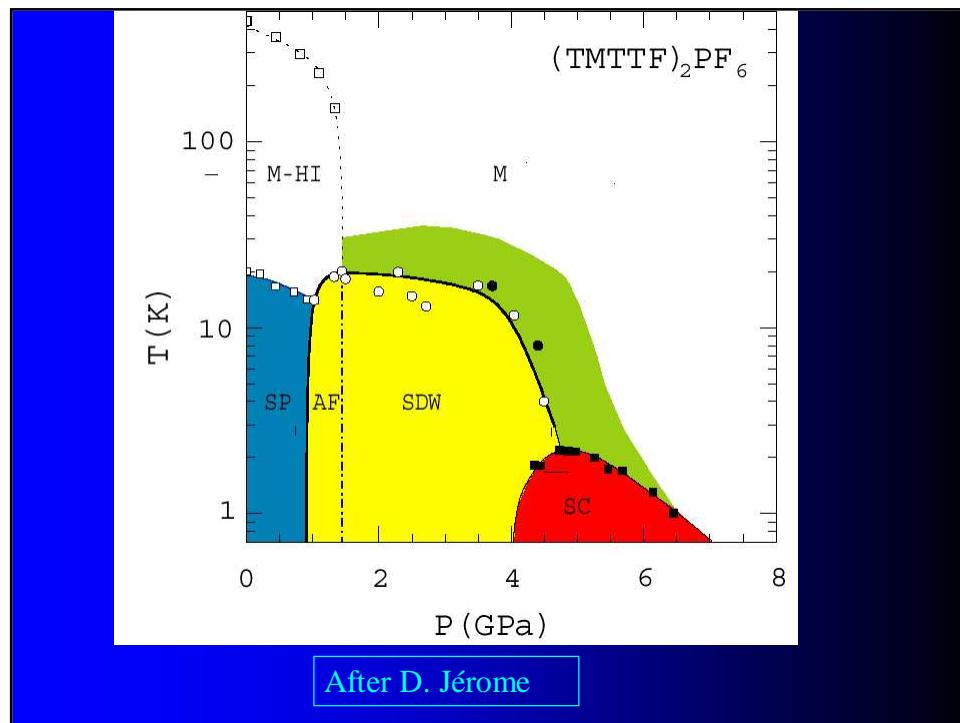
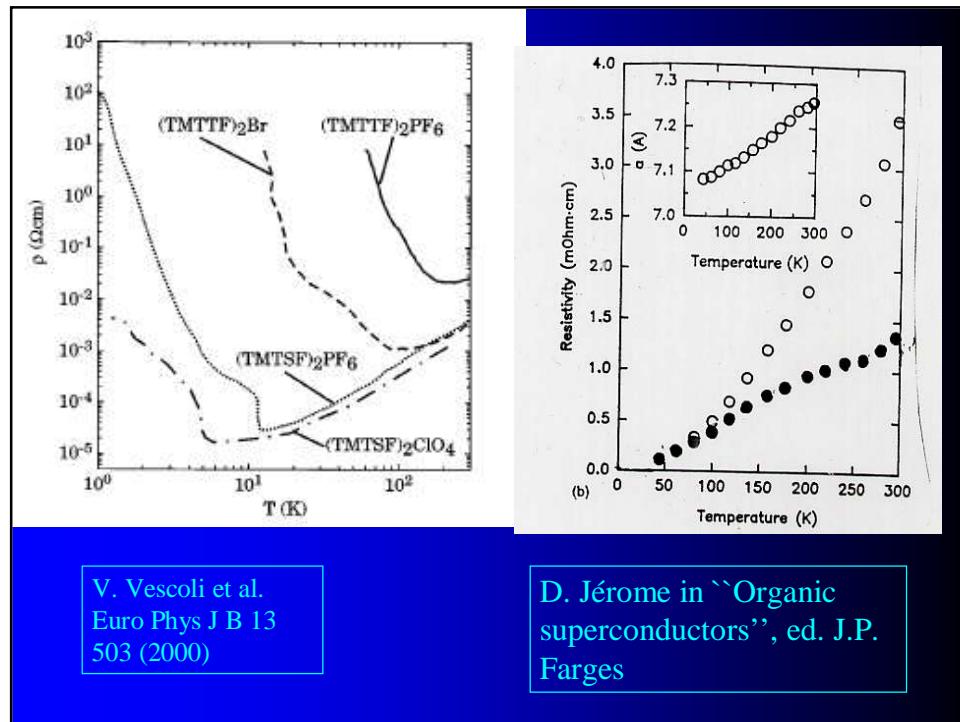
- Propagation of electrons along the chains

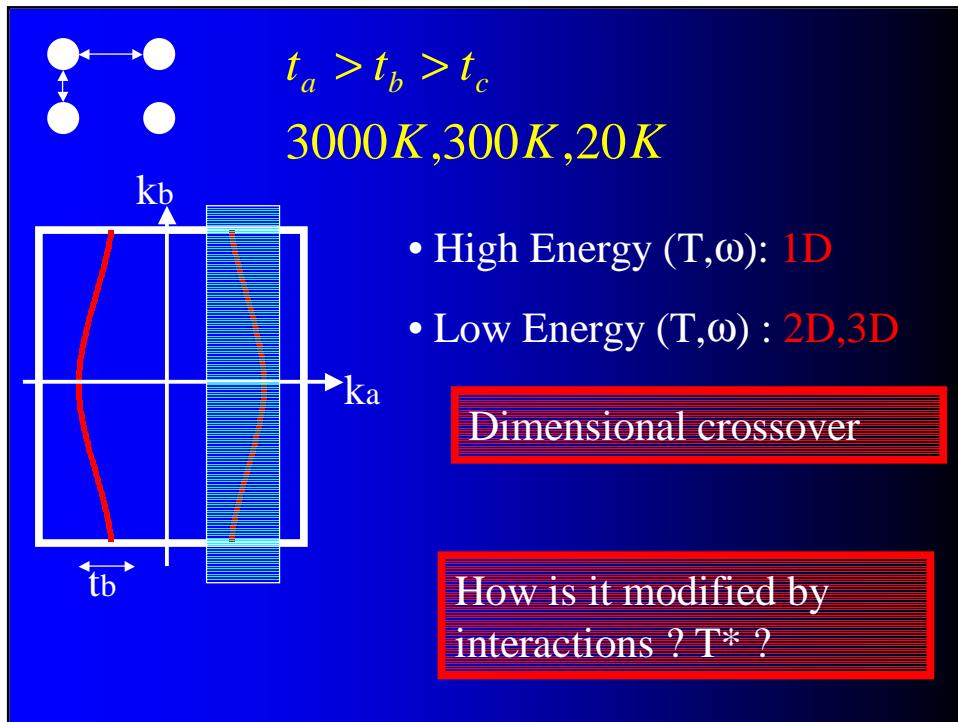
- Chemistry : quarter filled
- Small dimerization: half filled
- Mott insulator
- Is dimerization important ?

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi}{2k_F} = \frac{\pi}{2a} \left(\text{mod. } \frac{2\pi}{a} \right)$$

	TMTTF			TMTSF		
	PF6	ClO ₄	Br	PF6	ClO ₄	NO ₃
$\Delta = d_1 - d_2$	0.1.	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.01

Deconfinement and Bechgaard salts





Questions

- Is the high temperature phase a Luttinger liquid/Mott insulator ?
- What is the strength of interactions ?
- How to describe the dimensional crossover ? (scale ?)
- What is the resulting ‘Fermi liquid’

Luttinger liquid

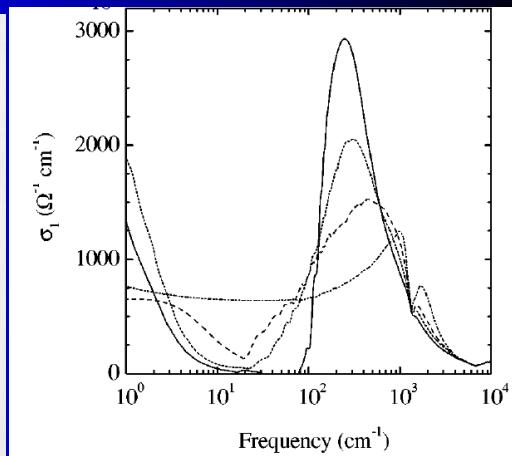
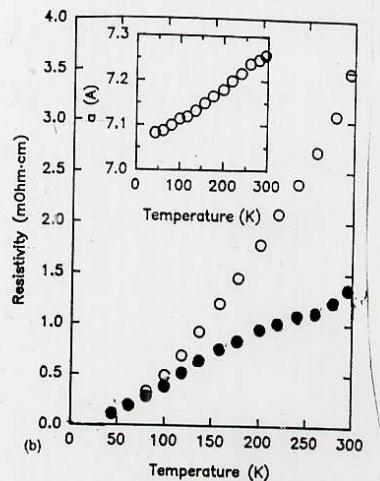
- Spin charge separation



- No fermionic quasiparticles
- Power law decay of correlation functions

$$\langle S(x)S(0) \rangle = \frac{1}{x^2} + \cos(2k_F x) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^{l+K_p} + \dots$$

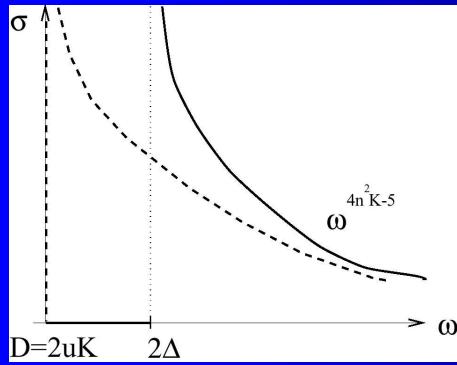
K_p contains all information about interactions



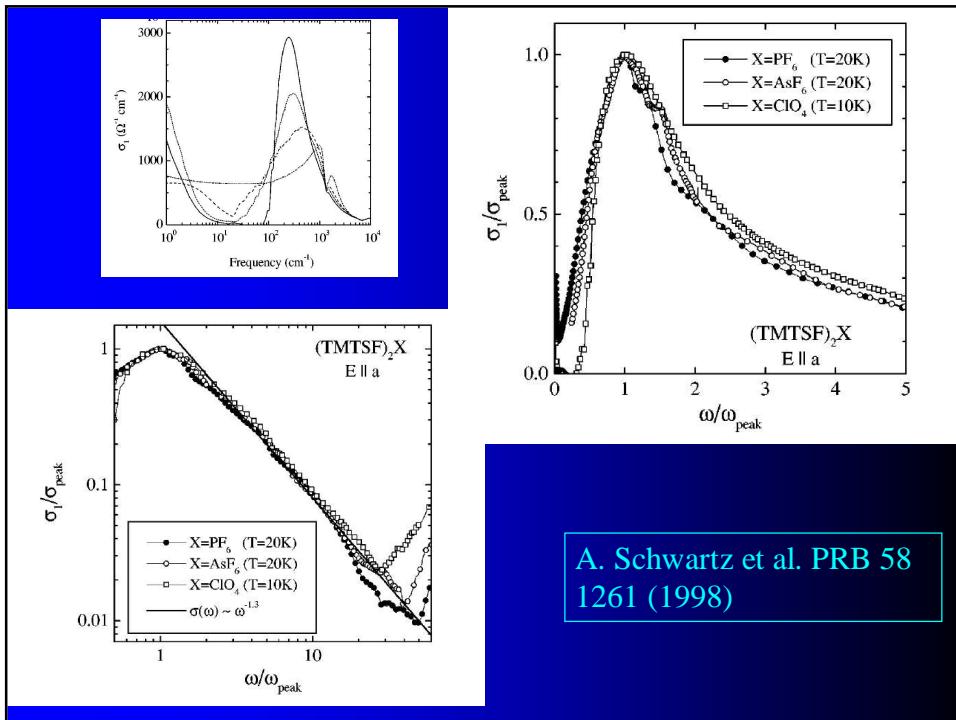
A. Schwartz et al. PRB 58
1261 (1998)

Transport in a LL

(TG PRB 44 2905 (91); Physica B 230 975 (97))



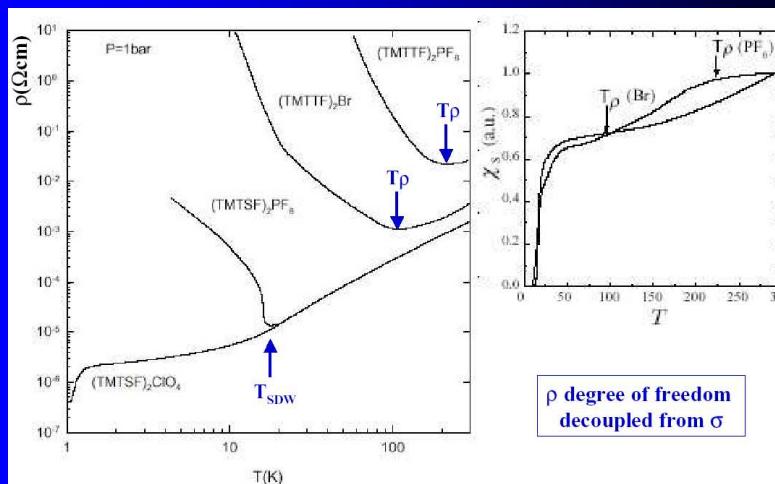
- Mott insulator for $1/4$ filling also !
- Power law in $\sigma(\omega)$ determines $K\mu$
- Deviations from 1D law gives E_c



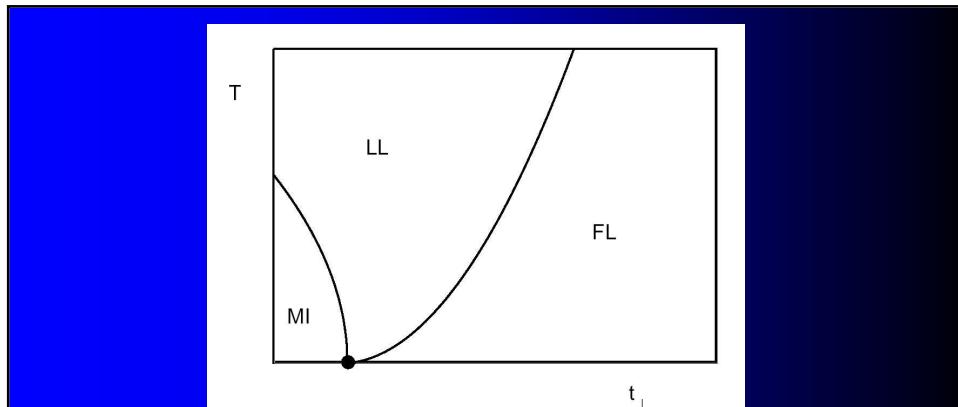
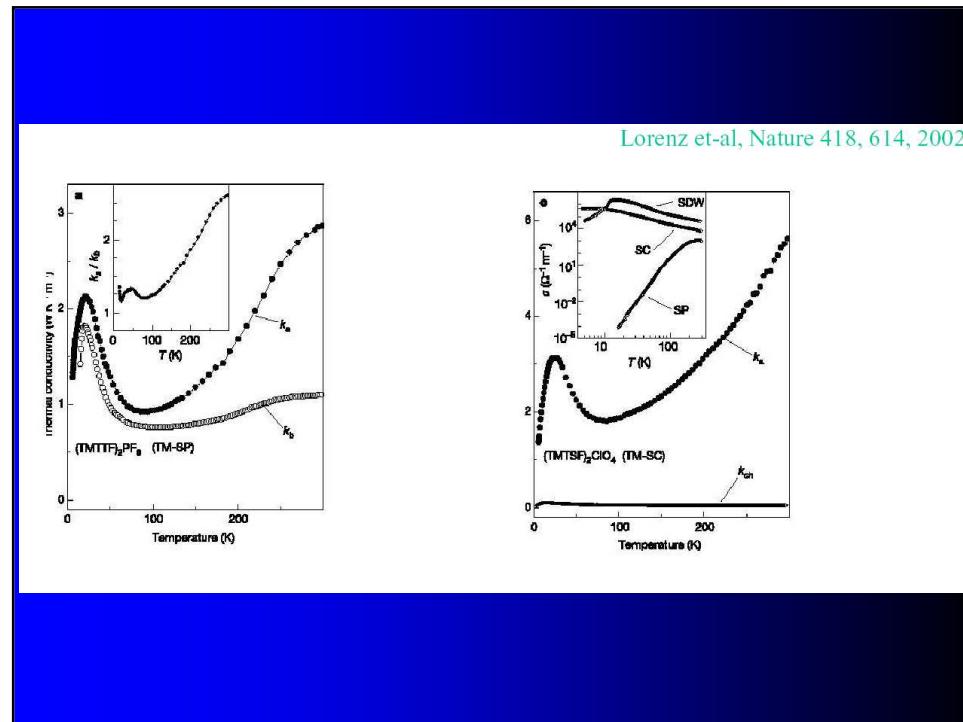
Consequences

- Luttinger Liquid !
- $K\rho = 0.23$ very strong interactions
 - Dimerization not important (1/4 filled Mott insulator) [confirmed in new non-dimerized compound]
 - TF vs SF likely to be due to change of interactions (quantum critical point)
- Dimensional crossover at $E=100K$!

Charge spin separation ?



Deconfinement and Bechgaard salts



- Deconfinement : How to study ?
- Difficult (RG, RPA, etc.)

(S. Biermann, A. Georges, TG, A. Lichtenstein, cond-mat 0201542)

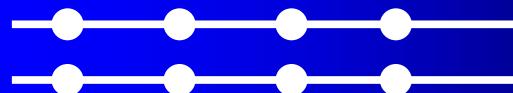
- Renormalization arguments
(Bourbonnais, Brazovskii+Yakovenko, Schulz)

$$E^* \sim t_{\perp} (t_{\perp}/t)^{\alpha/(1-\alpha)}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{4}(K_{\rho} + 1/K_{\rho}) - \frac{1}{2}$$

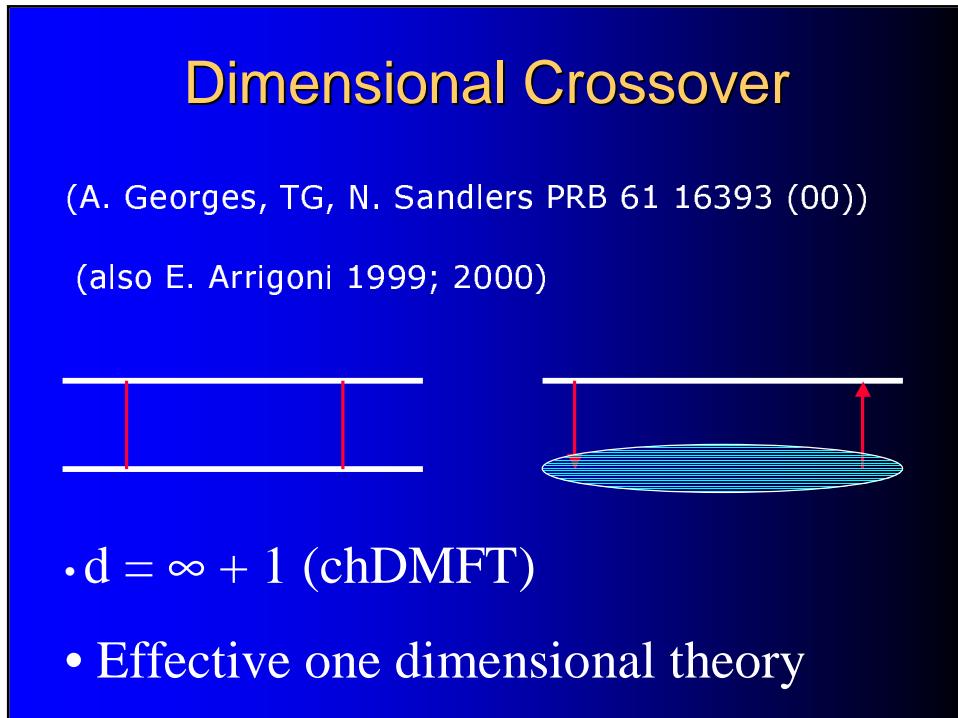
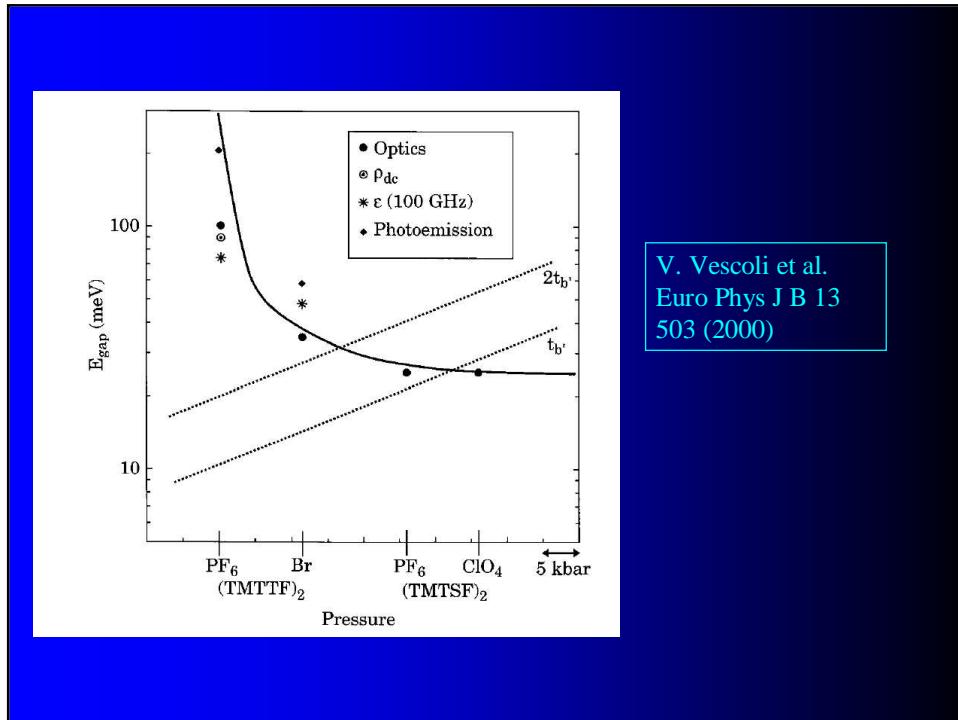
Strong reduction of crossover temperature. But hopping still relevant !

Mott insulators: confinement



- 1 chain : Mott insulator $U > 0$
- 3d : Mott insulator $U > U_c$

Competition Mott insulator/Interchain hopping



$$S_{\text{eff}} = - \int \int_0^\beta d\tau d\tau' \sum_{ij,\sigma} c_{i\sigma}^+(\tau) \mathcal{G}_0^{-1}(i-j, \tau - \tau') c_{j\sigma}(\tau') + \int_0^\beta d\tau H_{1D}^{\text{int}}[c_{i\sigma}, c_{i\sigma}^+], \quad (4)$$

$$G(k, i\omega_n) = \int d\epsilon_\perp \frac{D(\epsilon_\perp)}{i\omega_n + \mu - \epsilon_k - \Sigma(i\omega_n, k) - \epsilon_\perp}.$$

$$\text{Re } \sigma_\perp(\omega, T) \propto t_\perp^2 \int d\epsilon_\perp D(\epsilon_\perp) \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} \int d\omega' A(\epsilon_\perp, k, \omega') \\ \times A(\epsilon_\perp, k, \omega + \omega') \frac{f(\omega') - f(\omega' + \omega)}{\omega}.$$

- Self consistent theory for Σ

- Feedback of t_\perp in Σ (a priori important for deconfinement)

- Different from RPA

$$G(k, k_\perp, i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n - \epsilon_k - \epsilon_\perp(k_\perp) - \Sigma_{1D}(k, i\omega_n)}$$

- Difficult to solve the equations analytically

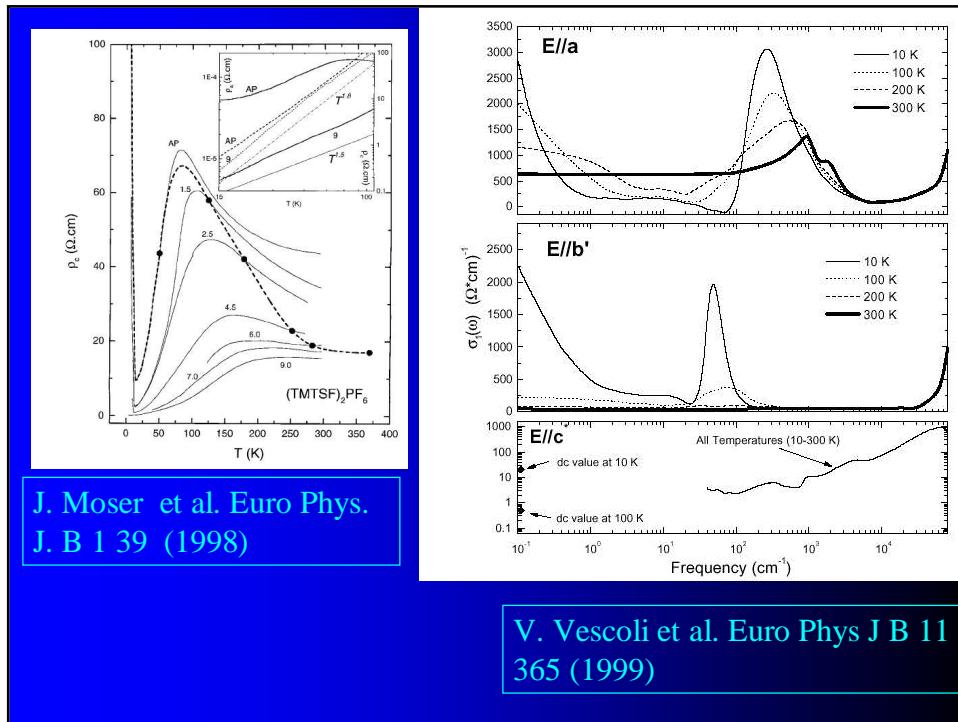
Transverse transport

$$\sigma(\omega, T) \propto (\omega, T)^{2\alpha-1}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{4}(K + K^{-1}) - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\alpha \approx 0.6$$

$$\omega_{D\perp}^2 / \omega_{P\perp}^2 \propto (t_\perp / t)^{2\alpha/(1-\alpha)} = Z^2$$



Numerical Solution

(S. Biermann, A. Georges, A. Lichtenstein, TG, PRL 87 276405 (2001))

- Hubbard Model
- QMC (16 – 32 sites)
- 32 time slices ($T/W = 1/50$)

Incommensurate case

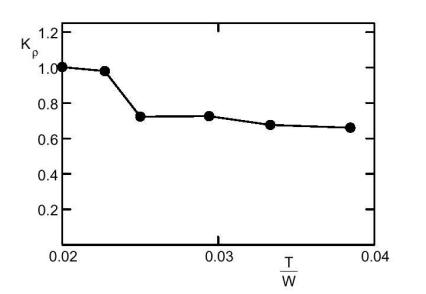
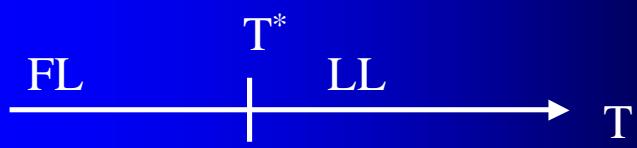


FIG. 2: Effective K_ρ vs. temperature in the doped case (filling $n \simeq 0.8$) for $U/W = 1.0$, $t_\perp/W = 0.14$.

$$T^* \approx \frac{t_\perp}{\pi} \left(\frac{t_\perp}{t} \right)^{\frac{\theta}{1-\theta}}$$

$$T^* \approx 0.5 \frac{t_\perp}{\pi}$$

Commensurate case

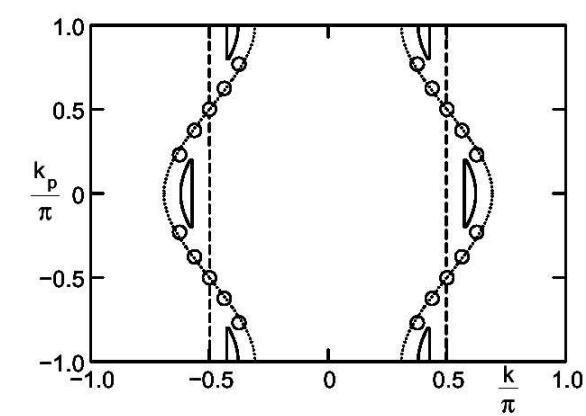


TABLE II: Effective K_{ρ} at half-filling, as a function of t_{\perp}/W for $U/W = 0.65$ and $T/W = 1/40$.

t_{\perp}/W	0.00	0.04	0.07	0.11	0.14	0.16	0.18
K_{ρ}	0.00	0.02	1.01	1.09	1.07	1.06	1.04

$$t_{\perp}^* \approx \Delta_{1D}$$

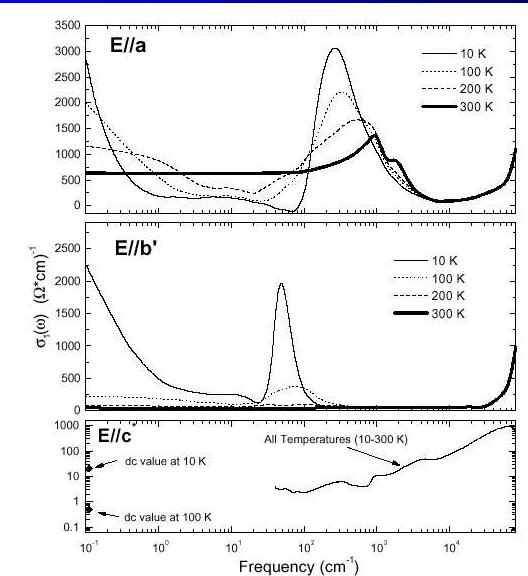
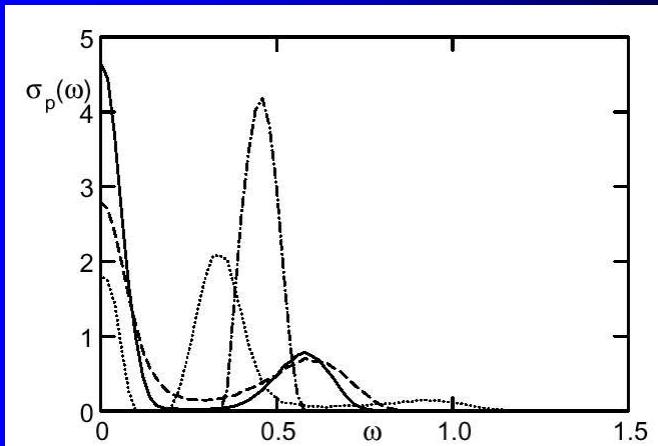
Fermi Surface



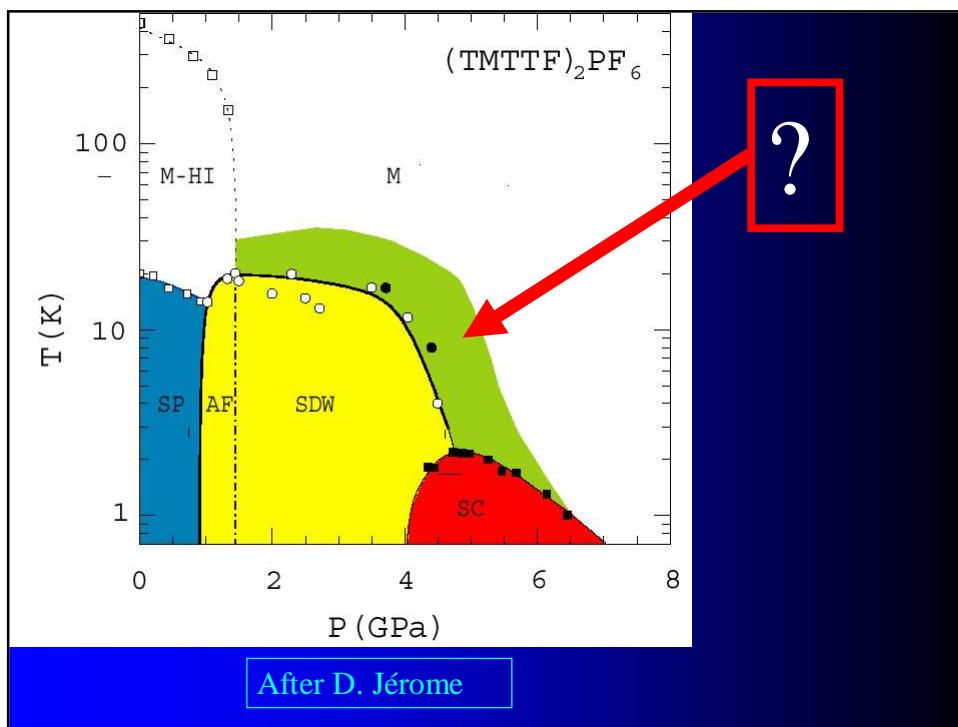
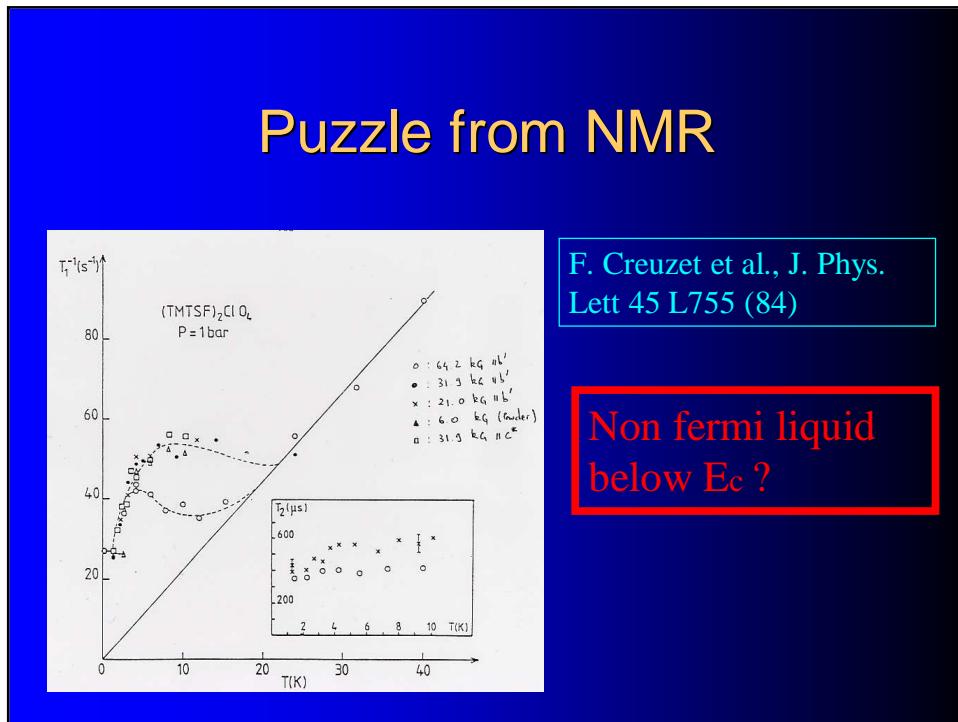
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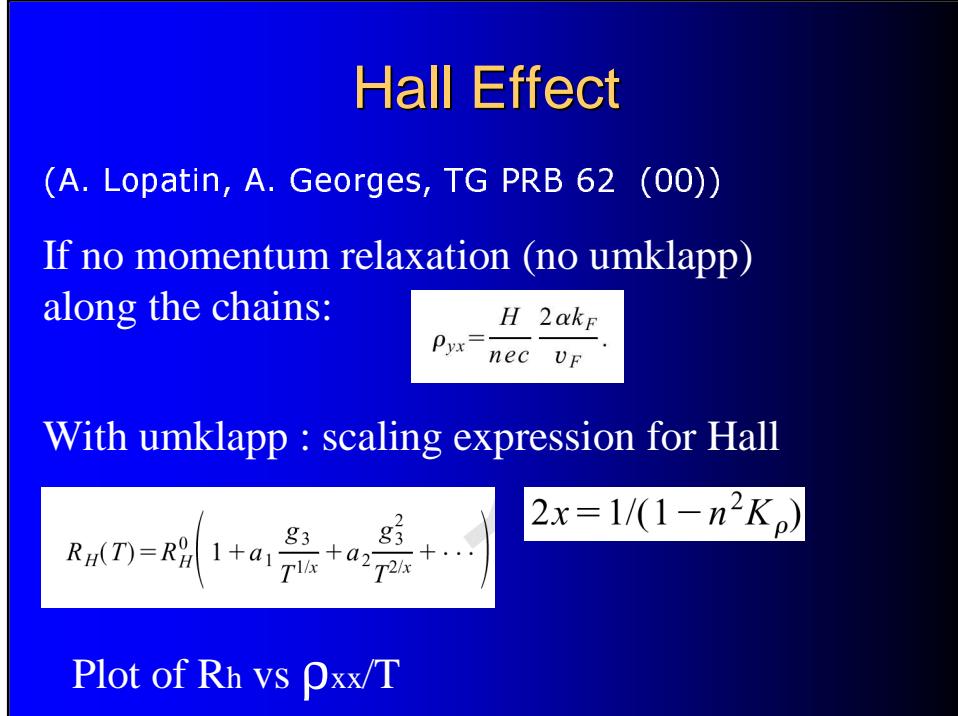
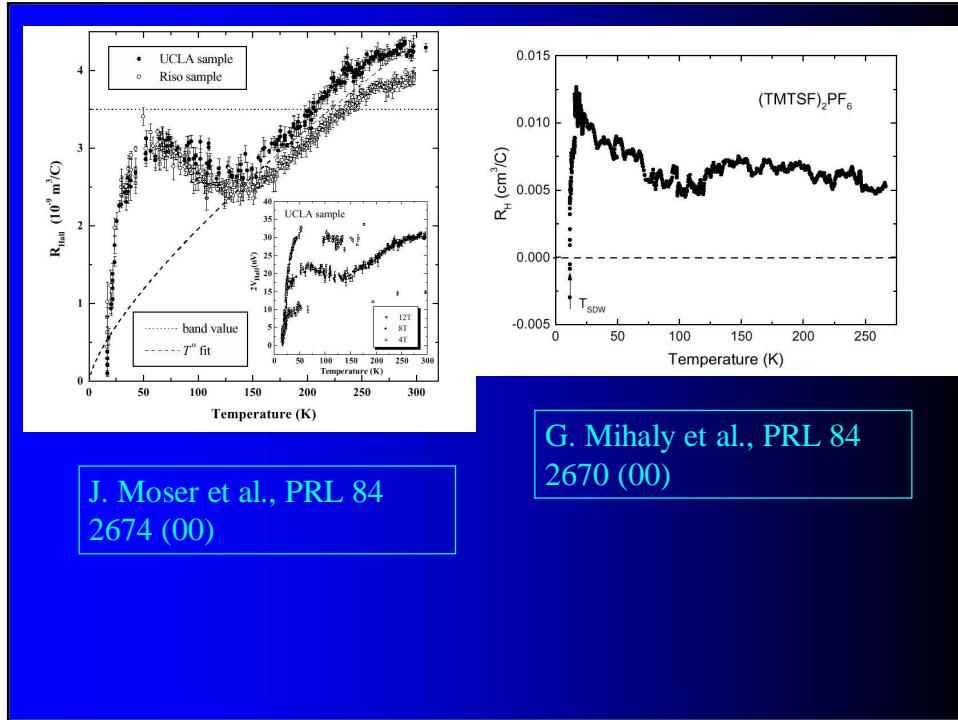
k_{\perp}/π	0.23	0.38	0.50	0.62	0.77
$Z(k_{\perp})$	0.78	0.77	0.76	0.77	0.79

Transverse conductivity



V. Vescoli et al. Euro Phys J B 11
365 (1999)





Conclusions

- Transport proves LL nature of high energy phase
 - $K=0.23$, $\frac{1}{4}$ filled Mott insulators
 - $E_c = 100K$ much higher than expected
- Good method to tackle the dimensional crossover

- $\frac{1}{4}$ Filling with chDMFT
- Other physical quantities : Hall effect
- Nature of the 2D phase ? 2D non Fermi liquid ?
- Ordered phases (superconductivity)