# Heavy Carriers & Non-Drude Response in Optical Spectra of Correlated Matter



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## Outline

 $\alpha$ -Ce and  $\gamma$ -Ce

### Powerlaw of $\sigma(\omega)$ in HTSC

### Spectral weight transfer in FeSi

Powerlaw of  $\sigma(\omega)$  in MnSi



### Optical conductivity



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Generalized Drude Conductivity

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{\omega_p^2 / 4\pi}{\tau^{-1}(\omega) - i\omega m^*(\omega) / m}$$

J. W. Allen and J. C. Mikkelsen, Phys. Rev. B 15, 2952 (1977).

$$\tau^{-1}(\omega) = \frac{\omega_p^2}{4\pi} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{\sigma(\omega)}\right) \qquad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{m^*(\omega)}{m} = \frac{\omega_p^2}{4\pi\omega} \operatorname{Im}\left(\frac{-1}{\sigma(\omega)}\right)$$



 $\gamma$  and  $\alpha$  phase Ce

J.vdEb,A.Kuzmenko,DvdM PRL 86, 3407 (2001)

α-phase agrees withFermi-liquid formula ofP.E. Sulewski et al.PRB 38, 5338 (1988)

$$\tau^{-1}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\tau_0} + g \frac{\Omega_F \omega^2}{\omega^2 + \Omega_F^2}$$





G. Thomas, (1988)Z. Schlesinger 1990E. El AzrakN. Bontemps, (1995)and many other experiments

Marginal Fermi Liquid:  $\sigma(\omega) = \frac{\omega_p^2 / 4\pi}{\tau^{-1}(\omega) - i\omega m^*(\omega) / m}$   $\tau^{-1}(\omega) = \lambda \frac{\pi}{2} \omega$   $\frac{m^*(\omega)}{m} - 1 = \lambda \ln \frac{\omega}{\Omega_c}$ 

C. M. Varma, P. Littlewood,S. Schmitt-Rink, E. Abrahams,A. Ruckenstein,PRL 63, 1996 (1989)



# $\sigma(\omega) = |\mathbf{C}| (-\mathbf{i} \ \omega)^{2\eta-1}$

Originally derived in the context of spin-charge separation by P.W. Anderson, PRB55, 11785 (1997)

$$\phi_{\sigma} = \arctan(\sigma_2 / \sigma_1) = \pi / 2 - \pi \eta$$

$$d \ln |\sigma| / d \ln \omega = 2 \eta - 1$$









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### Transition metal mono-sillicides Sc Τi V Cr Mn Fe Со Ni ? NiAs Y Zr Nb Tc Rh Мо Ru Pd CrB FeB ? ? ? La Ηf **0** s Pt Та W Re Ir ? ? ? ?

•for TM = Cr Mn Fe Co Ni Ru Rh Re Os:

- Simple Cubic Space Group (T<sup>4</sup>-P2<sub>1</sub>3)
- 4 equivalent TM and Si atoms

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- Site symmetry: C<sub>3</sub>
- 7-fold coordination of Tm-atoms

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FeSi (Andrea's data + vis. ellipsometer)

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•Z. Schlesinger, Fisk, Zhang, Maple, DiTusa, Aeppli, PRL'93: "Sum-rule not recovered up to 1 eV" (Reflectivity&Kramers-Kronig)

•Degiorgi, Hunt,Ott,Dressel,Feenstra, Gruener, Fisk, Canfield, EPL'94: **"Sum-rule recovered at 0.4 eV"** (Reflectivity&Kramers-Kronig)

•Damascelli, PhD-thesis '98: **"Sum-rule not recovered up to 1.25 eV"** (Reflectivity&Kramers-Kronig)

•F.P. Mena, this work: **"Sum-rule not recovered up to 4.5 eV"** (VIS-Ellipsometry & IR-Reflectivity&Kramers-Kronig)

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Formation of S = 0 state out of itinerant band electrons and localized 3d - spins

- $\Rightarrow$  Increased presence of itinerant band electrons in local 3d states
- ⇒ Localizati on of charge carriers and opening of a charge gap
- $\Rightarrow$  Increase of charge kinetic energy
- $\Rightarrow$  Decrease of Drude spectral weight
- $\Rightarrow$  *In*creased 3d 4f spectral weight

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$$\sigma(\omega, T) = \frac{\omega_p^2 / 4\pi}{(\Gamma - i\omega)^{1-2\eta} (\Omega - i\omega)^{2\eta}}$$
Thermodynamics  $\operatorname{Re}\sigma(\omega) > 0$   $\textcircled{2}$   
Causality  $\operatorname{Im}\sigma(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\operatorname{Re}\sigma(x)}{\omega - x} dx$   $\textcircled{2}$   
Time reversal symmetry  $\sigma(-\omega) = \sigma^*(\omega)$   $\vcenter{2}$   
f-sumrule  $\lim_{\omega \to \infty} \sigma(\omega) = i \frac{ne^2}{m\omega}$   $\vcenter{2}$   
DC-limit  $\lim_{\omega \to 0} \sigma(\omega) = \frac{1}{\rho_{DC}(T)}$   $\vcenter{2}$   
DvdM, PRB60, R768 (1999)  $\eta = 0.25$ : Ioffe&Millis, PRB58 (1998)

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### Low frequency extrapolation with Drude fit

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Low frequency extrapolation using fit to  $\eta$ -formula,  $\eta$ =0.25

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Summary

### α-Ce is a Fermi-liquid with mass 15 γ-Ce is a bad metal

### HTSC at optimal doping

- 1) Powerlaw:  $\sigma(\omega)$  is proportional to  $(i\omega)^{-2.4}$
- 2) Phase of  $\sigma(\omega)$  is 0.3  $\pi$  independent of frequency
- 3)  $\eta = 0.2 \pm 0.01$

### FeSi: Gap-spectral weight transferred beyond 4.5 eV

### MnSi at low temperatures (helical magnetic phase): $\rho(T)$ is proportional to T<sup>2</sup> $\sigma(\omega)$ is proportional to (i $\omega$ )<sup>-0.5</sup>