AdS/CFT and condensed matter

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Quantum phase transition in graphene



Electron Green's function in Fermi liquid (T=0)

$$G(k,\omega) = \frac{Z}{\omega - v_F(k - k_F) - i\omega^2 \mathcal{F}\left(\frac{k - k_F}{\omega}\right)} + \dots$$



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 $\mu > 0$

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Green's function has a pole in the LHP at

$$\omega = v_F(k - k_F) - i\alpha(k - k_F)^2 + \dots$$

Pole is at $\omega = 0$ precisely at $k = k_F$ *i.e.* on a sphere of radius k_F in momentum space. This is the *Fermi surface*.



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Fermi surface with full square lattice symmetry



Spontaneous elongation along x direction: Ising order parameter $\phi > 0$.



Spontaneous elongation along y direction: Ising order parameter $\phi < 0$.



Pomeranchuk instability as a function of coupling λ



Phase diagram as a function of T and λ



Phase diagram as a function of T and λ



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Effective action for Ising order parameter

$$\mathcal{S}_{\phi} = \int d^2 r d\tau \left[(\partial_{\tau} \phi)^2 + c^2 (\nabla \phi)^2 + (\lambda - \lambda_c) \phi^2 + u \phi^4 \right]$$

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Effective action for electrons:

$$S_{c} = \int d\tau \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{f}} \left[\sum_{i} c_{i\alpha}^{\dagger} \partial_{\tau} c_{i\alpha} - \sum_{i < j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{i\alpha} \right]$$
$$\equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{f}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \int d\tau c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^{\dagger} \left(\partial_{\tau} + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} \right) c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

Coupling between Ising order and electrons

$$\mathcal{S}_{\phi c} = -\gamma \int d\tau \,\phi \, \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_f} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} (\cos k_x - \cos k_y) c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

for spatially independent ϕ





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Quantum critical field theory

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \mathcal{D}c_{i\alpha} \exp\left(-\mathcal{S}_{\phi} - \mathcal{S}_{c} - \mathcal{S}_{\phi c}\right)$$

Hertz theory

Integrate out c_{α} fermions and obtain non-local corrections to ϕ action

$$\delta S_{\phi} \sim N_f \gamma^2 \int \frac{d^2 q}{4\pi^2} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} |\phi(\mathbf{q},\omega)|^2 \left[\frac{|\omega|}{q} + q^2\right] + \dots$$

This leads to a critical point with dynamic critical exponent z = 3 and quantum criticality controlled by the Gaussian fixed point.



Self energy of c_{α} fermions to order $1/N_f$

$$\Sigma_c(k,\omega) \sim \frac{i}{N_f} \omega^{2/3}$$

This leads to the Green's function

$$G(k,\omega) \approx \frac{1}{\omega - v_F(k - k_F) - \frac{i}{N_f}\omega^{2/3}}$$

Note that the order $1/N_f$ term is more singular in the infrared than the bare term; this leads to problems in the bare $1/N_f$ expansion in terms that are dominated by low frequency fermions.



The infrared singularities of fermion particle-hole pairs are most severe on planar graphs: these all contribute at leading order in $1/N_f$.

Sung-Sik Lee, arXiv:0905.4532

Evolution of the (ARPES) Fermi surface on the cuprate phase diagram



Fermi surfaces in electron- and hole-doped cuprates



Effective Hamiltonian for quasiparticles:

$$H_0 = -\sum_{i < j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{i\alpha} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

with t_{ij} non-zero for first, second and third neighbor, leads to satisfactory agreement with experiments. The area of the occupied electron states, \mathcal{A}_e , from Luttinger's theory is

$$\mathcal{A}_e = \begin{cases} 2\pi^2(1-p) & \text{for hole-doping } p\\ 2\pi^2(1+x) & \text{for electron-doping } x \end{cases}$$

The area of the occupied hole states, \mathcal{A}_h , which form a closed Fermi surface and so appear in quantum oscillation experiments is $\mathcal{A}_h = 4\pi^2 - \mathcal{A}_e$.

Spin density wave theory

A spin density wave (SDW) is the spontaneous appearance of an oscillatory spin polarization. The electron spin polarization is written as

$$\vec{S}(\mathbf{r},\tau) = \vec{\varphi}(\mathbf{r},\tau)e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$

where $\vec{\varphi}$ is the SDW order parameter, and **K** is a fixed ordering wavevector. For simplicity we will consider the case of $\mathbf{K} = (\pi, \pi)$, but our treatment applies to general **K**.



Spin density wave theory

In the presence of spin density wave order, $\vec{\varphi}$ at wavevector $\mathbf{K} = (\pi, \pi)$, we have an additional term which mixes electron states with momentum separated by \mathbf{K}

$$H_{\rm sdw} = \vec{\varphi} \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{k},\alpha,\beta} c^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{k},\alpha} \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K},\beta}$$

where $\vec{\sigma}$ are the Pauli matrices. The electron dispersions obtained by diagonalizing $H_0 + H_{\rm sdw}$ for $\vec{\varphi} \propto (0, 0, 1)$ are

$$E_{\mathbf{k}\pm} = \frac{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}}}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}}}{2}\right) + \varphi^2}$$

This leads to the Fermi surfaces shown in the following slides for electron and hole doping.









SDW order parameter is a vector, $\vec{\varphi}$, whose amplitude vanishes at the transition to the Fermi liquid.

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where $\vec{\sigma}$ are the Pauli matrices. At the quantum critical point for the onset of SDW order, we integrate out the fermions and derive an effective action functional for $\vec{\varphi}$.

Spin density wave theory

This functional has the form

$$S = \int \frac{d^2q}{4\pi^2} \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} |\vec{\varphi}(\mathbf{q},\omega)|^2 \Big[r + q^2 + \chi(\mathbf{K},\omega) \Big] + u \int d^2x d\tau (\vec{\varphi}^2(x,\tau))^2 + \dots$$

The susceptibility, χ , has a non-analytic dependence on ω because of Landau damping:

$$\chi(\mathbf{K},\omega) = \chi_0 + \chi_1 |\omega| + \dots$$

This leads to a critical point with dynamic critical exponent z = 2, and upper-critical dimension d = 2.
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However, the higher order corrections require summation of all planar graphs, as in the Pomeranchuk instability.

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Conformal field theory in 2+1 dimensions at T = 0

 $\begin{array}{c} Einstein \ gravity\\ on \ AdS_4 \end{array}$

Conformal field theory in 2+1 dimensions at T > 0

Einstein gravity on AdS_4 with a Schwarzschild black hole Conformal field theory in 2+1 dimensions at T > 0, with a non-zero chemical potential, μ and applied magnetic field, B

> Einstein gravity on AdS₄ with a Reissner-Nordstrom black hole carrying electric and magnetic charges





Examine free energy and Green's function of a probe particle

Short time behavior depends upon conformal AdS4 geometry near boundary



Long time behavior depends upon near-horizon geometry of black hole



Radial direction of gravity theory is measure of energy scale in CFT







Infrared physics of Fermi surface is linked to the near horizon AdS₂ geometry of Reissner-Nordstrom black hole

T. Faulkner, H. Liu, J. McGreevy, and D. Vegh, arXiv:0907.2694



Geometric interpretation of RG flow

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Green's function of a fermion



See also M. Cubrovic, J Zaanen, and K. Schalm, arXiv:0904.1993

Green's function of a fermion



Similar to non-Fermi liquid theories of Fermi surfaces coupled to gauge fields, and at quantum critical points

Free energy from gravity theory

The free energy is expressed as a sum over the "quasinormal frequencies", z_{ℓ} , of the black hole. Here ℓ represents any set of quantum numbers:

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{boson}} = -T \sum_{\ell} \ln \left(\frac{|z_{\ell}|}{2\pi T} \left| \Gamma \left(\frac{iz_{\ell}}{2\pi T} \right) \right|^2 \right)$$
$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{fermion}} = T \sum_{\ell} \ln \left(\left| \Gamma \left(\frac{iz_{\ell}}{2\pi T} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right|^2 \right)$$

Application of this formula shows that the fermions exhibit the dHvA quantum oscillations with expected period $(2\pi/(\text{Fermi surface ares}))$ in 1/B, but with an amplitude corrected from the Fermi liquid formula of Lifshitz-Kosevich.

F. Denef, S. Hartnoll, and S. Sachdev, arXiv:0908.1788

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The cuprate superconductors



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The cuprate superconductors

Multiple quantum phase transitions involving at least two order parameters (antiferromagnetism and superconductivity) and a topological change in the Fermi surface Crossovers in transport properties of hole-doped cuprates



N. E. Hussey, J. Phys: Condens. Matter 20, 123201 (2008)



Crossovers in transport properties of hole-doped cuprates



Only candidate quantum critical point observed at low T



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Evidence for connection between linear resistivity and

stripe-ordering in a cuprate with a low T_c



Linear temperature dependence of resistivity and change in the Fermi surface at the pseudogap critical point of a high-*T*_c superconductor R. Daou, Nicolas Doiron-Leyraud, David LeBoeuf, S. Y. Li, Francis Laliberté, Olivier Cyr-Choinière, Y. J. Jo, L. Balicas, J.-Q. Yan, J.-S. Zhou, J. B. Goodenough & Louis Taillefer, *Nature Physics* **5**, 31 - 34 (2009)

Spin density wave theory in hole-doped cuprates



Quantum phase transition involves both a SDW order parameter $\vec{\varphi}$, and a topological change in the Fermi surface

> S. Sachdev, A.V. Chubukov, and A. Sokol, *Phys. Rev. B* **51**, 14874 (1995). A.V. Chubukov and D. K. Morr, *Physics Reports* **288**, 355 (1997).








Theory of quantum criticality in the cuprates



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moves the actual quantum critical point to $x = x_s < x_m$.











 $Nd_{2-x}Ce_{x}CuO_{4}$



E. M. Motoyama, G. Yu, I. M. Vishik, O. P. Vajk, P. K. Mang, and M. Greven, *Nature* **445**, 186 (2007).



Conclusions

General theory of finite temperature dynamics and transport near quantum critical points, with applications to antiferromagnets, graphene, and superconductors

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The AdS/CFT offers promise in providing a new understanding of strongly interacting quantum matter at non-zero density

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Identified quantum criticality in cuprate superconductors with a critical point at optimal doping associated with onset of spin density wave order in a metal

Elusive optimal doping quantum critical point has been "hiding in plain sight".

It is shifted to lower doping by the onset of superconductivity