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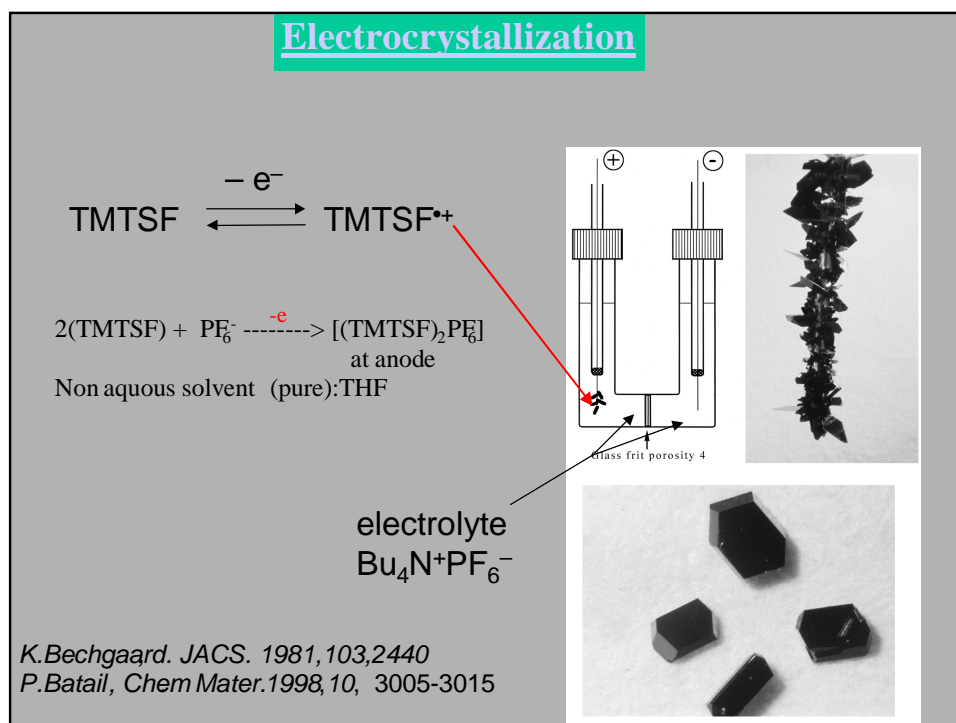
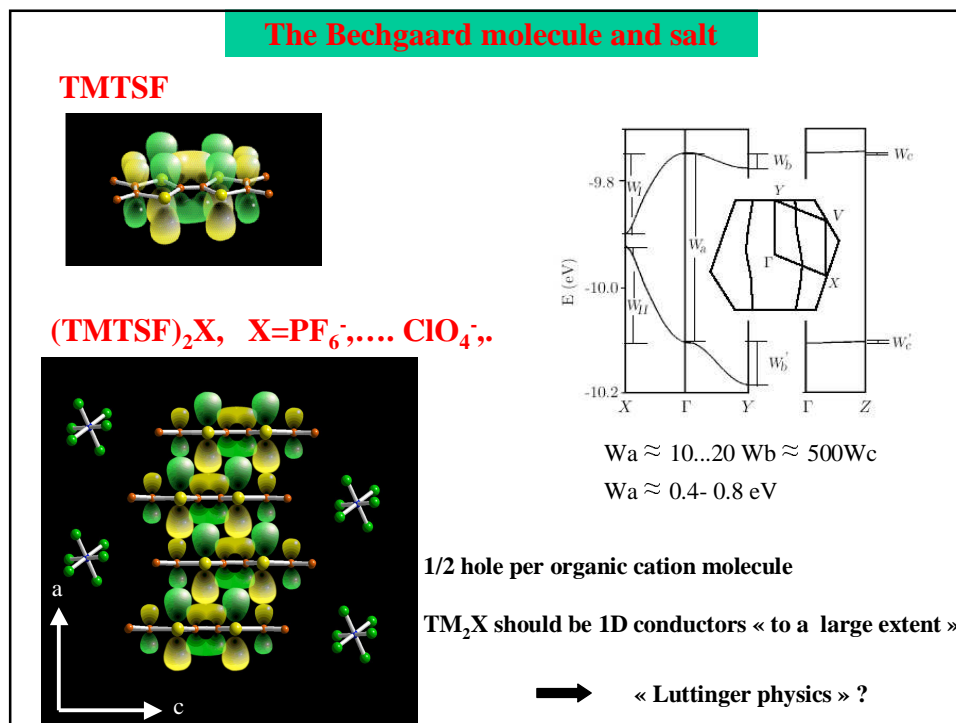
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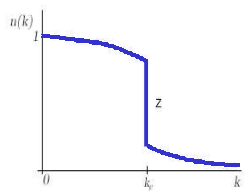
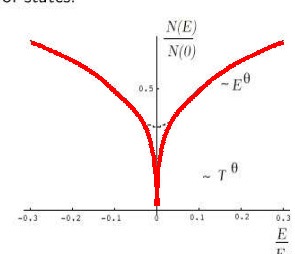
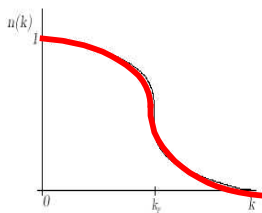
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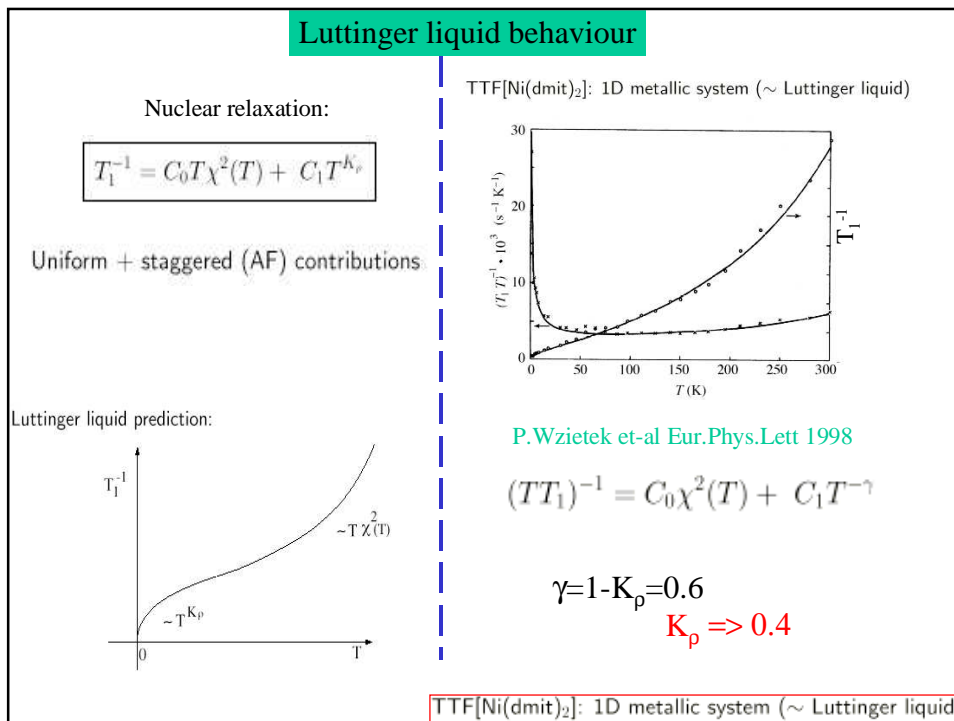
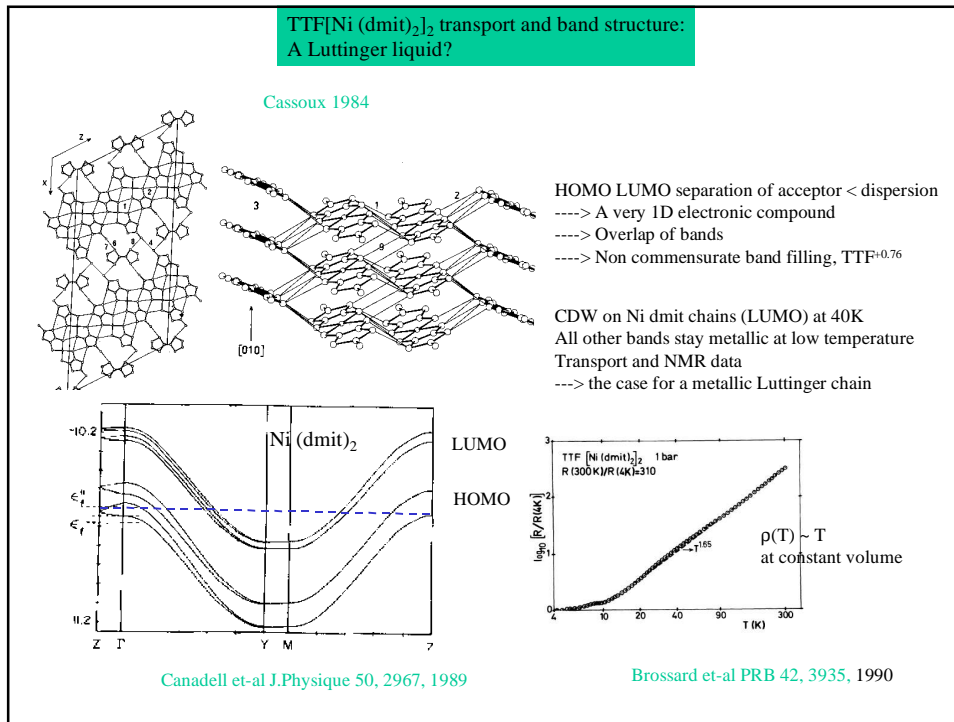
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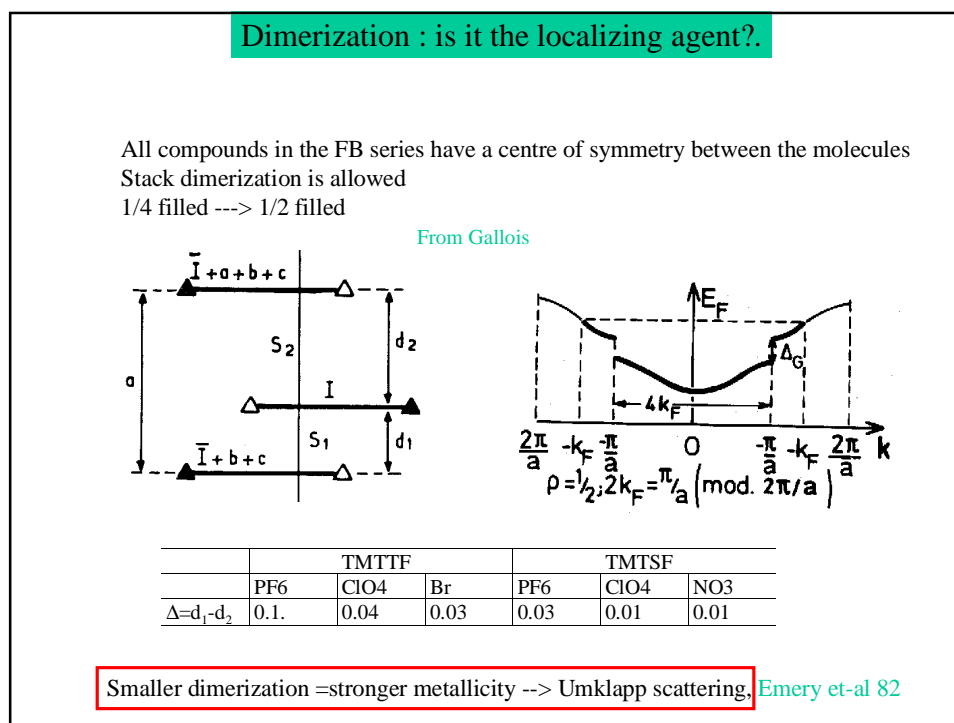
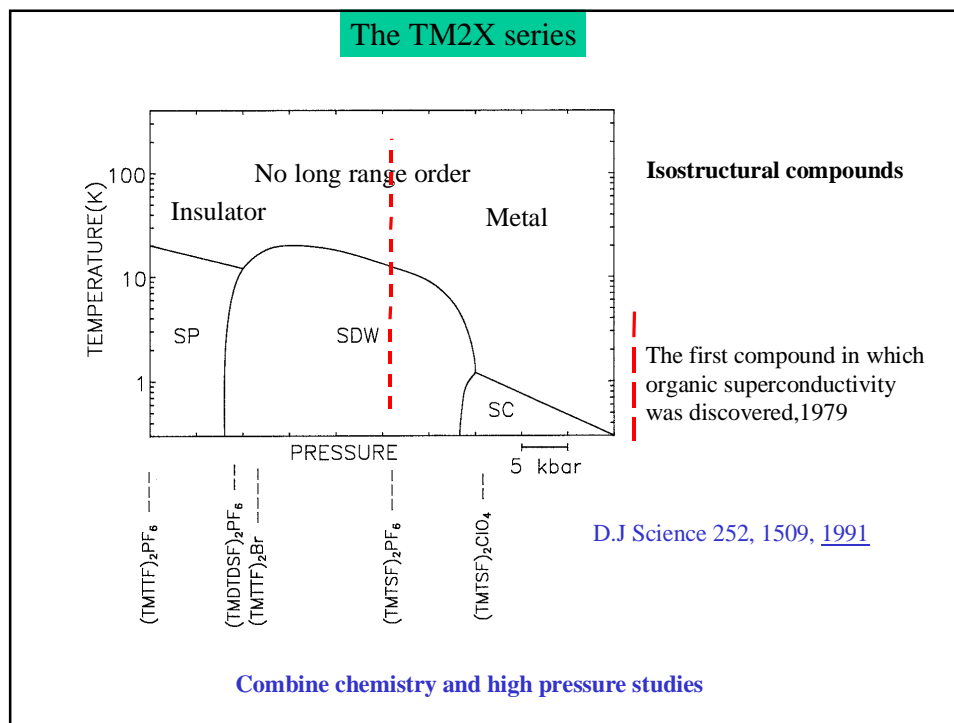


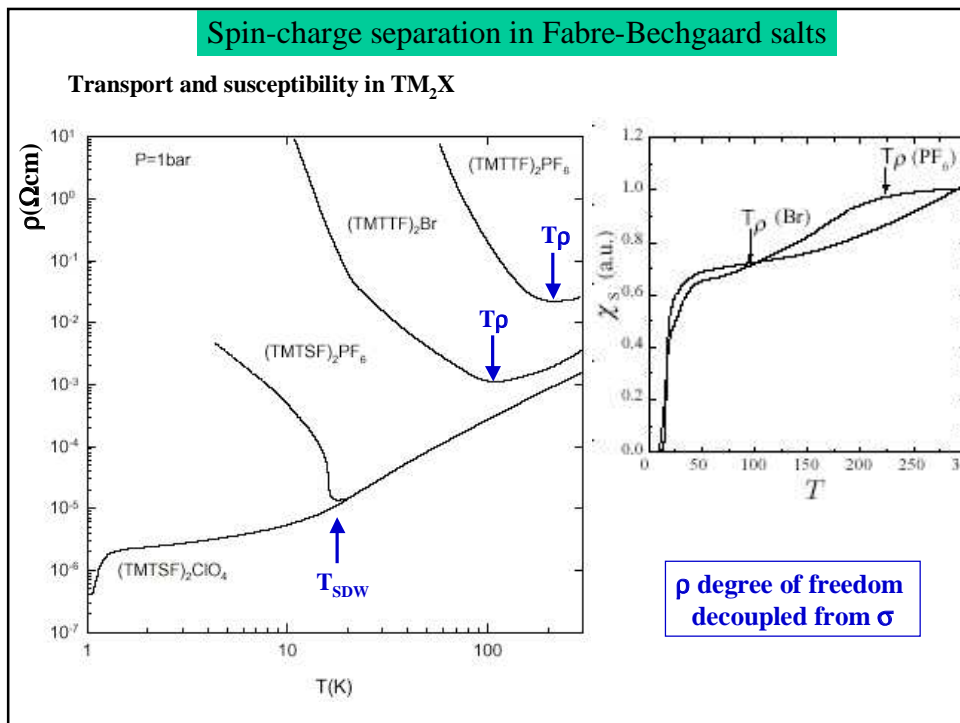
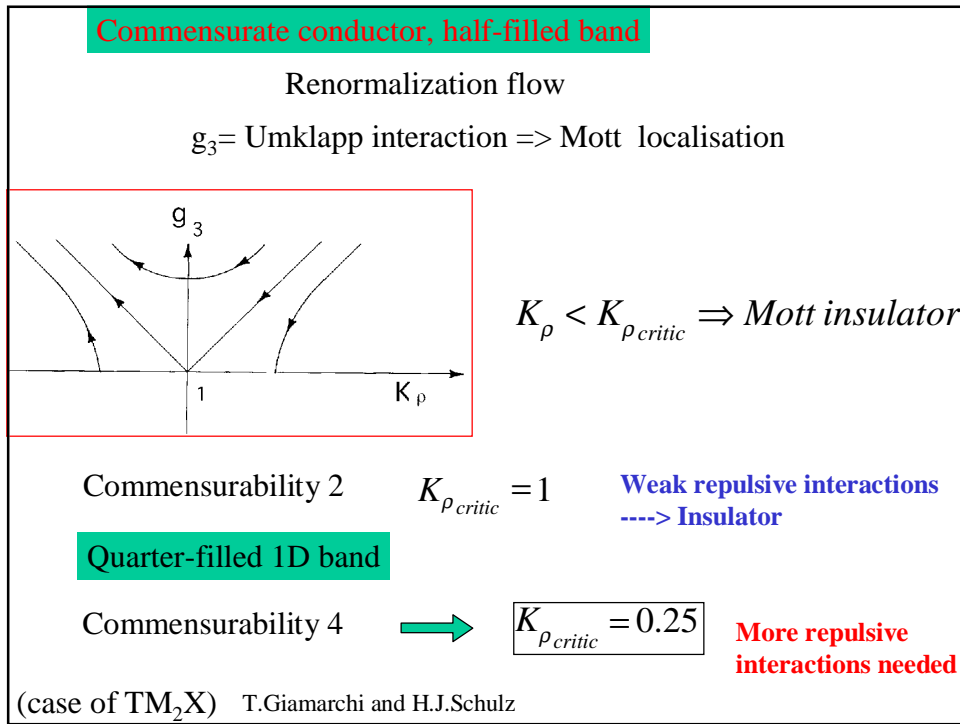
Landau-Fermi theory	Luttinger liquid
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fermi statistics + fermion-fermion interactions • Pauli principle restricts scattering near the Fermi sphere • ‘Dressed’ particle and hole states near P_F with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lifetime $\tau \propto (\epsilon - E_F)^{-2} \rightarrow \infty$ at P_F ($T = 0K$) • correspondence $(P, \sigma) \rightarrow (P, \sigma)^*$ <p style="margin-left: 20px;">→ concept of quasi-particles at low energy</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">→ effective mass m^*</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">→ finite quasi-particle-weight Z</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">→ collective modes: zero sound and paramagnons</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>	<p style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">QuasiParticles---> collective modes spin or charge</p> <p>Density of states:</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;">  </div> <p>Fermi distribution:</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">$n(k) = \frac{n_{k_F}}{k_F} - C k - k_F ^\theta$</p>

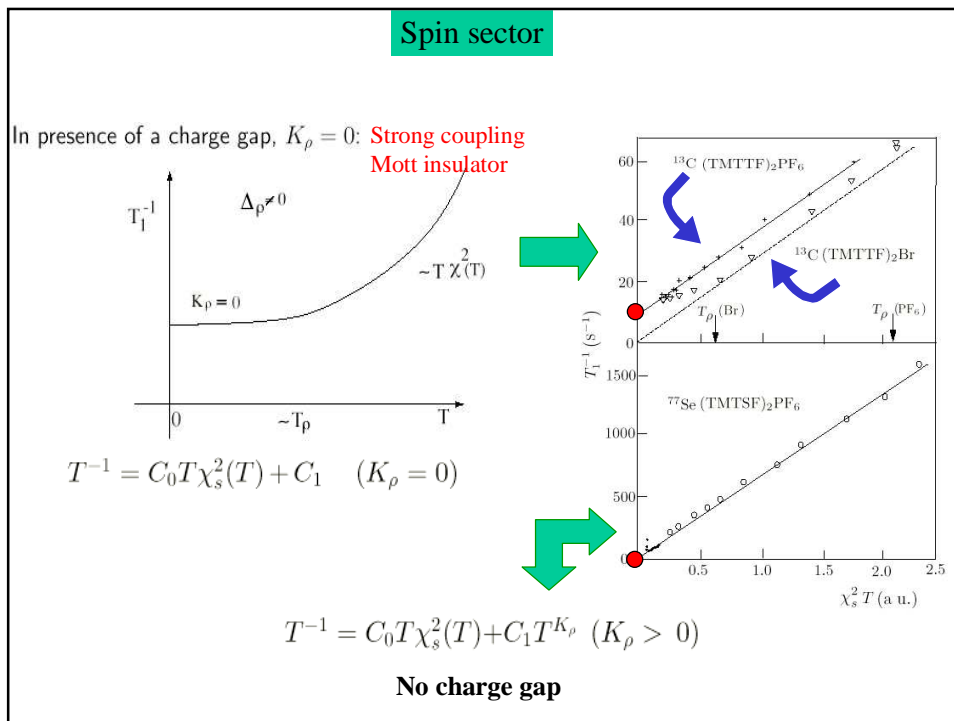
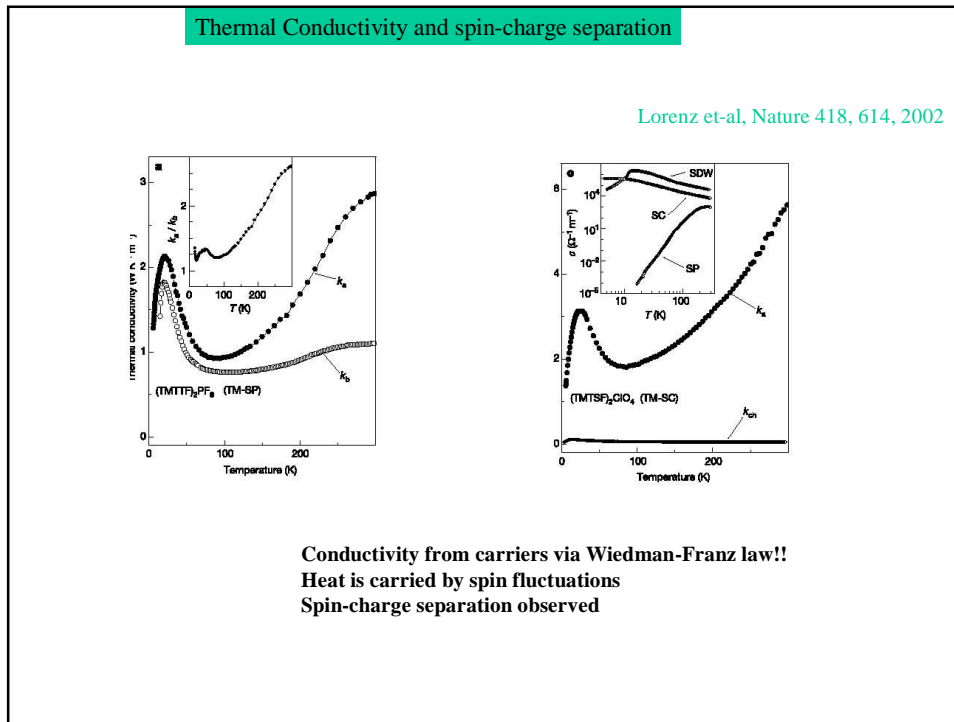
Power laws	
Single particle correlations	<p style="text-align: right;">Bosonic excitations of collective modes, spin or charge</p> $G(x, \tau) = - \langle T_\tau \psi(x, \tau) \psi^\dagger(0, 0) \rangle$ $G(x) \sim \frac{e^{i \pm k_F x}}{\alpha^{-\theta}} \frac{1}{x^{1+\theta}}$ <div style="background-color: #008000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin-top: 10px;"> $\theta = \frac{1}{4} (K_\rho + \frac{1}{K_\rho} - 2)$ </div>
Two particle correlations, SDW, SC	$\chi_{SDW}(x) = \langle \mathbf{S}(x) \cdot \mathbf{S}^\dagger(0) \rangle$ $\sim \frac{e^{i 2 k_F x}}{x^{1+K_\rho}}$ <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> $\chi_{SDW}(2k_F, T) \sim \left(\frac{T}{E_F} \right)^{-\gamma}$ $\gamma = 1 - K_\rho$ </div> <p style="color: blue; margin-top: 20px;">No long range order at T=0 K</p>

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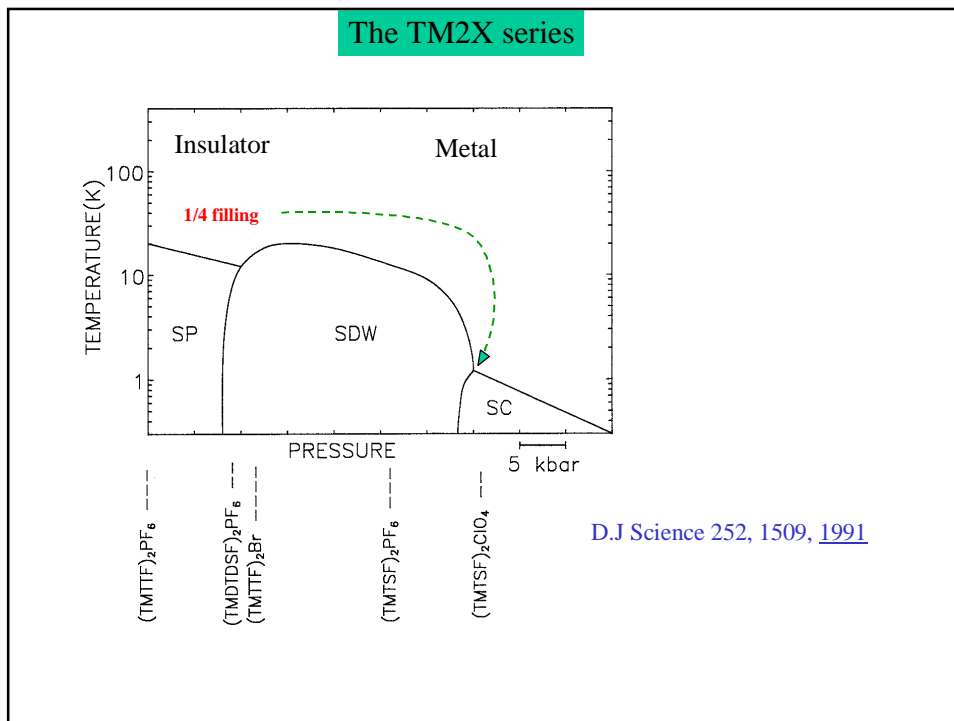
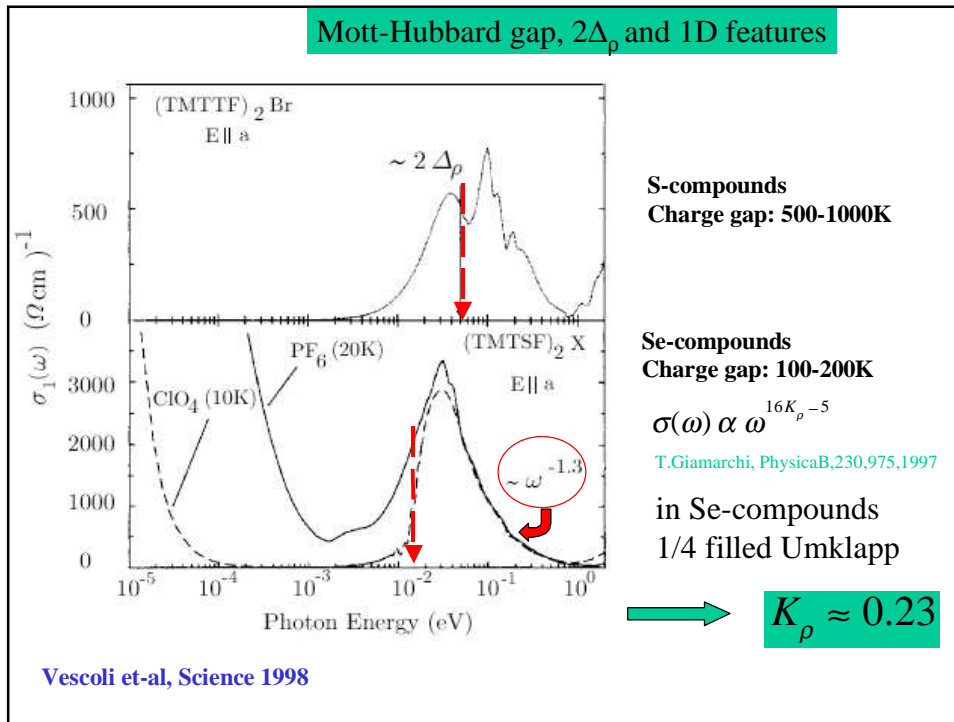






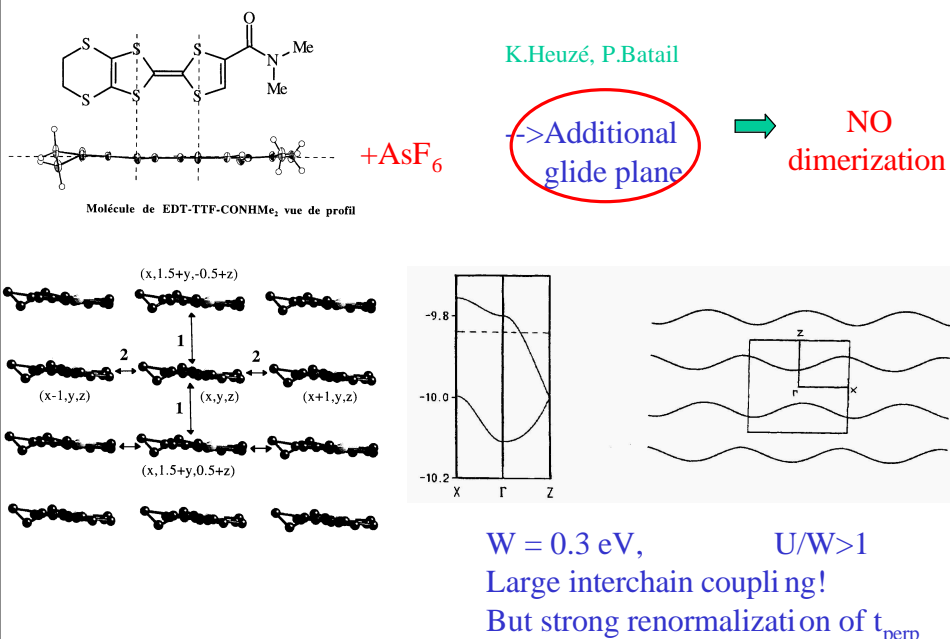


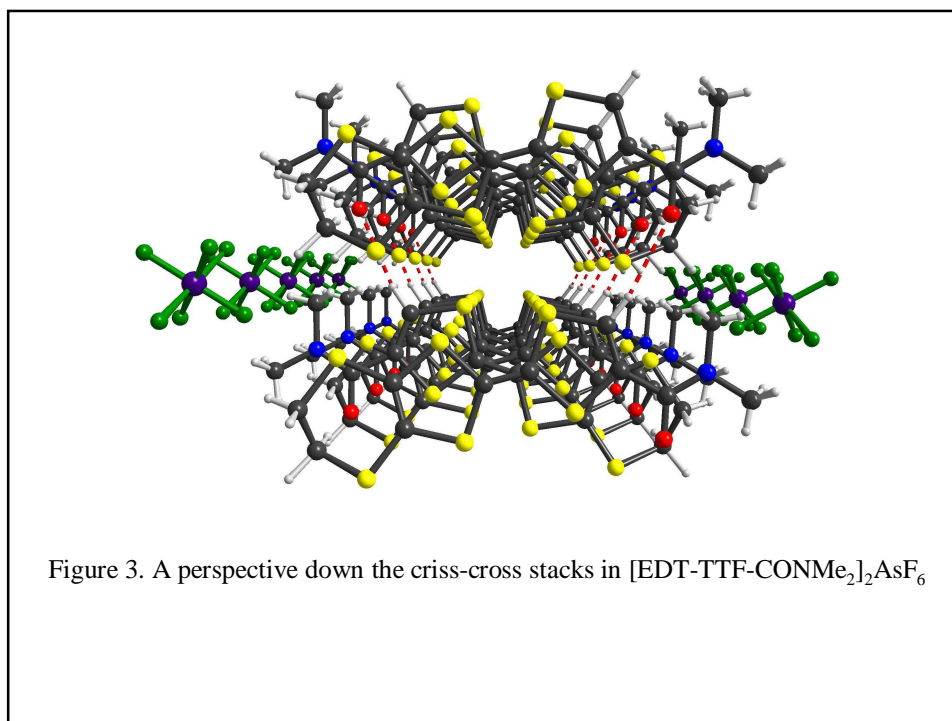
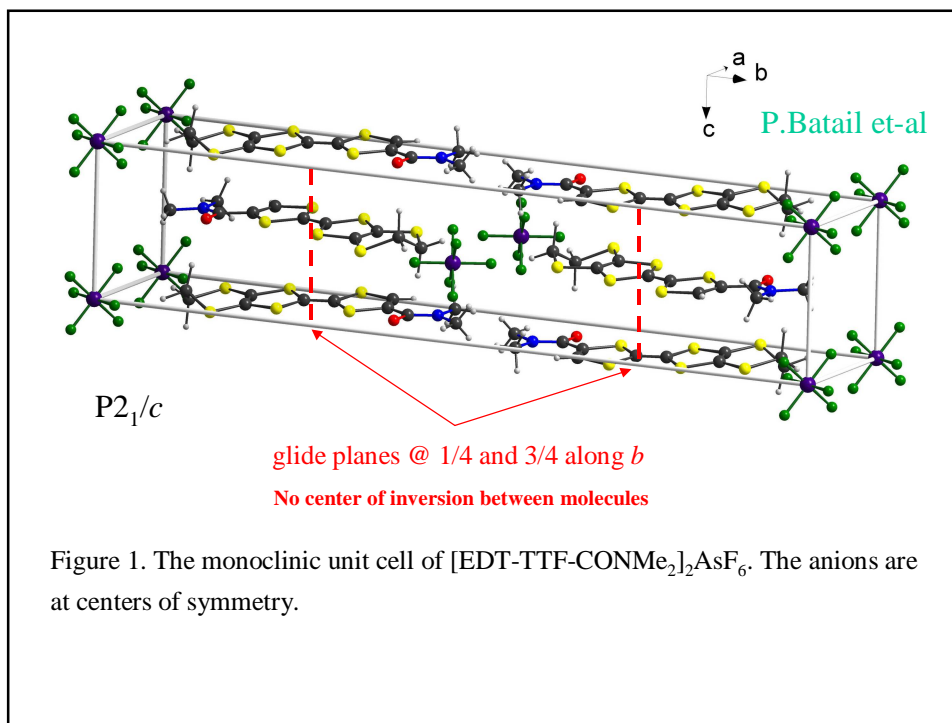
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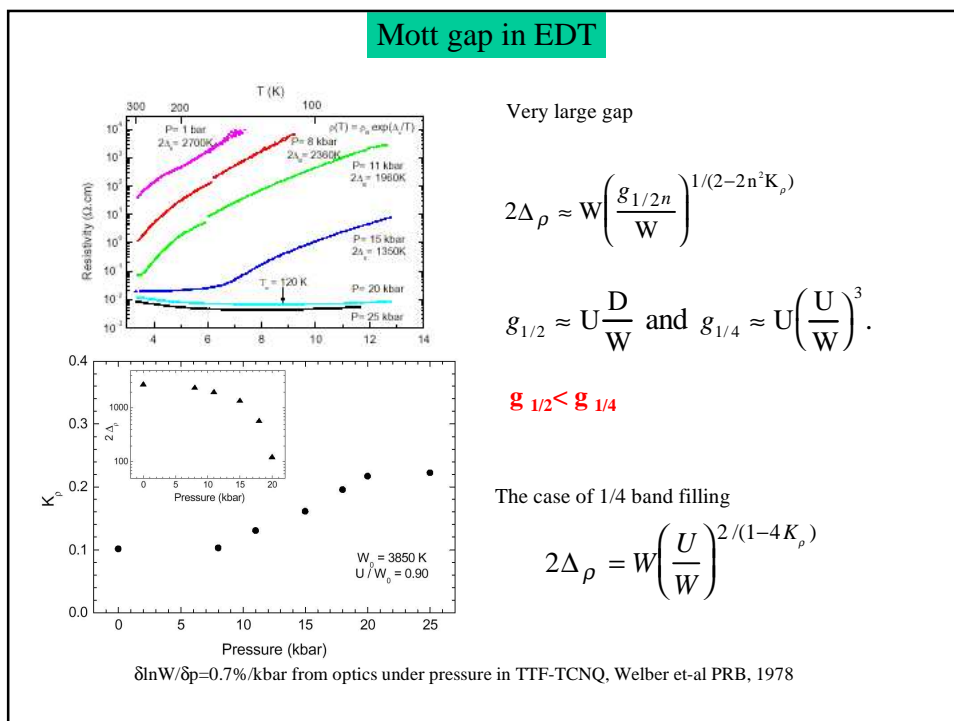
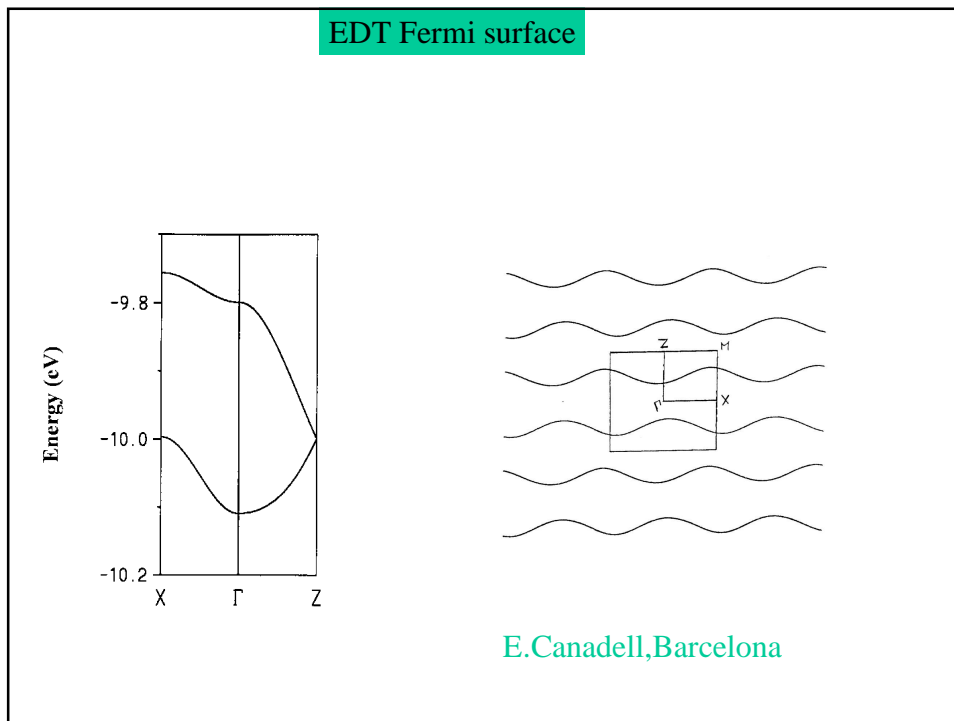
Can we make a genuine quarter-filled 1D conductor with a strong localization?

Non-dimerized, strongly correlated salt: Quarter-filled band case

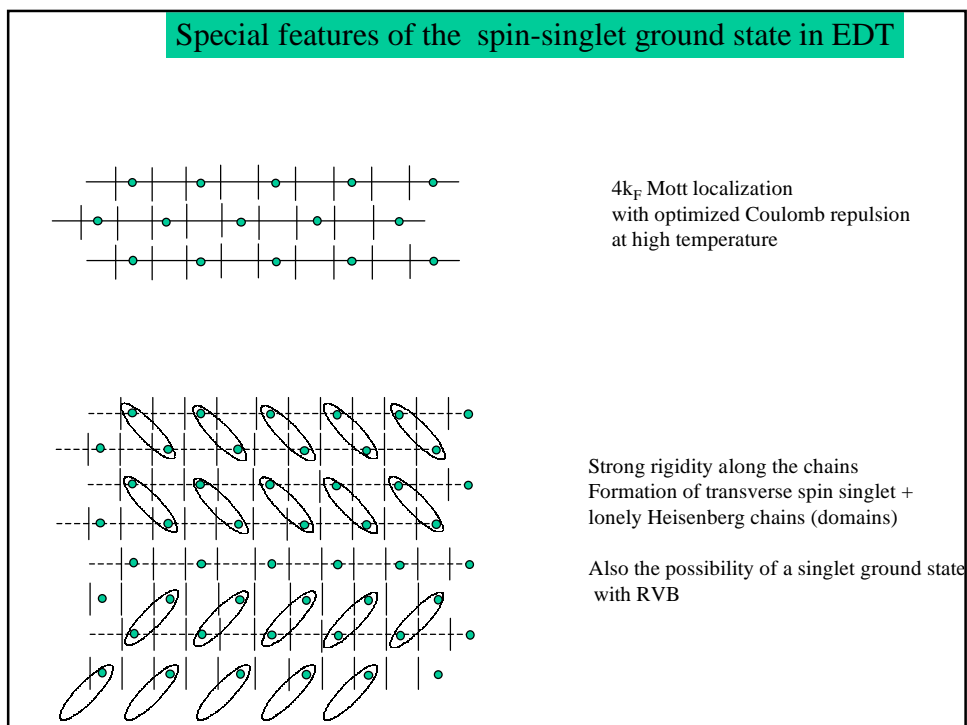
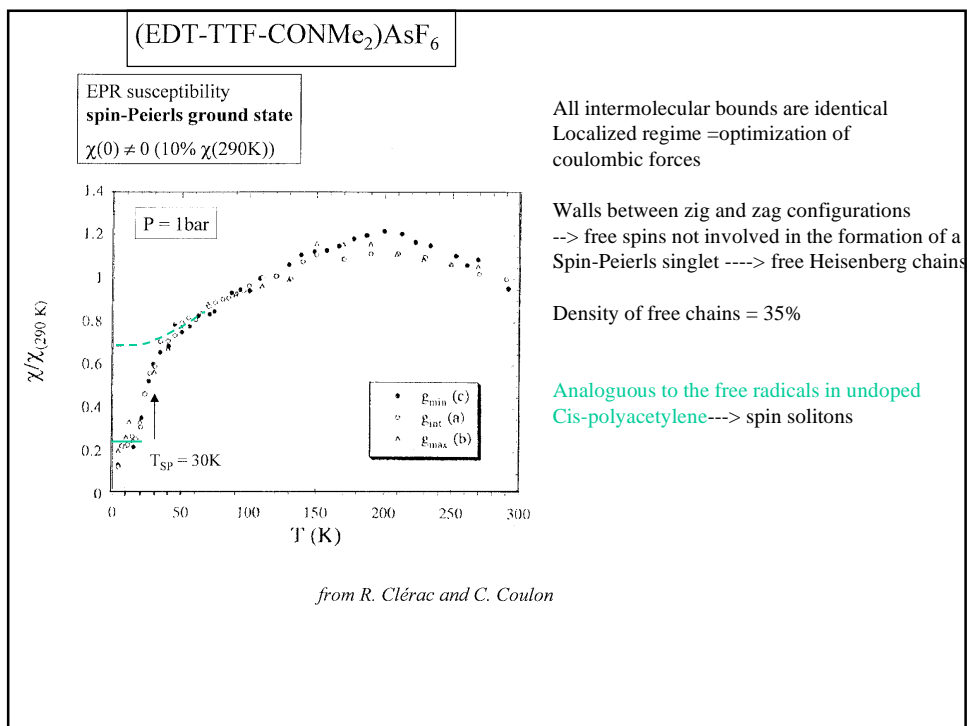


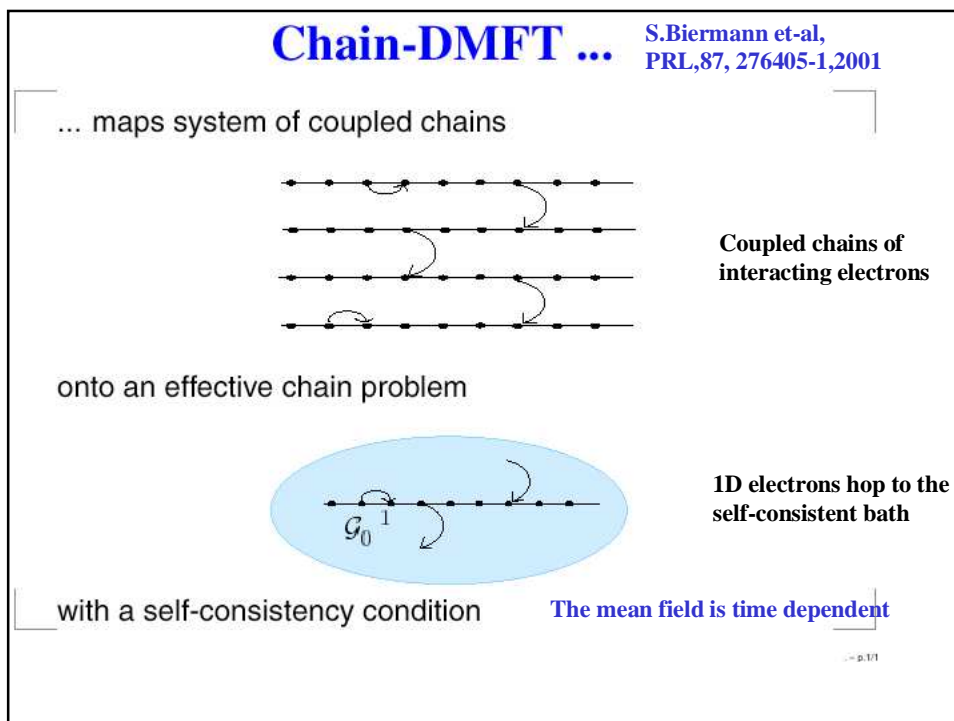
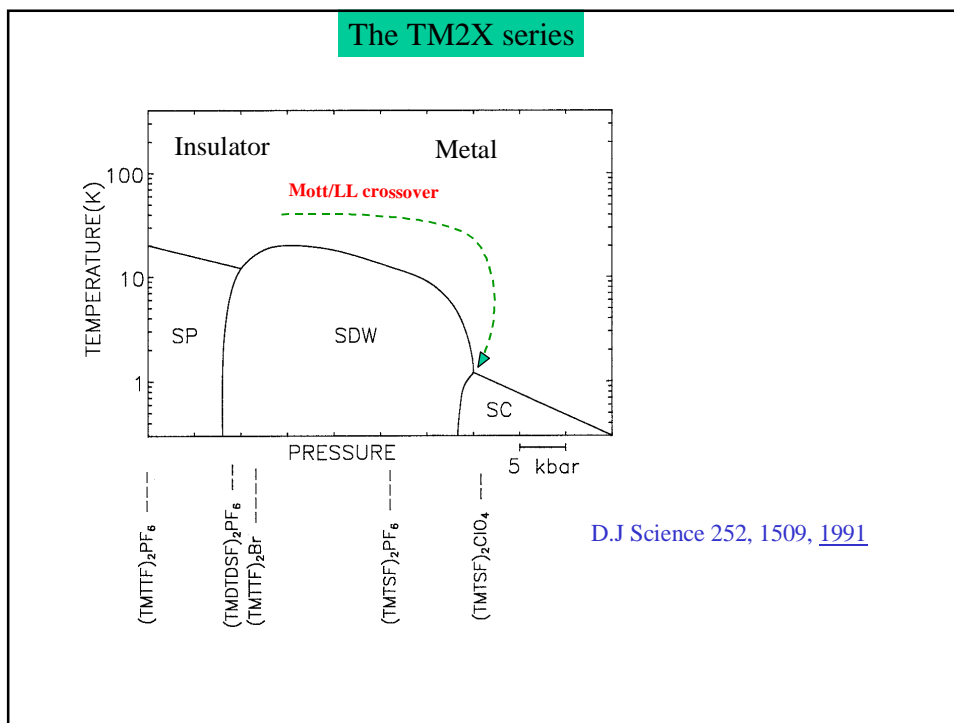


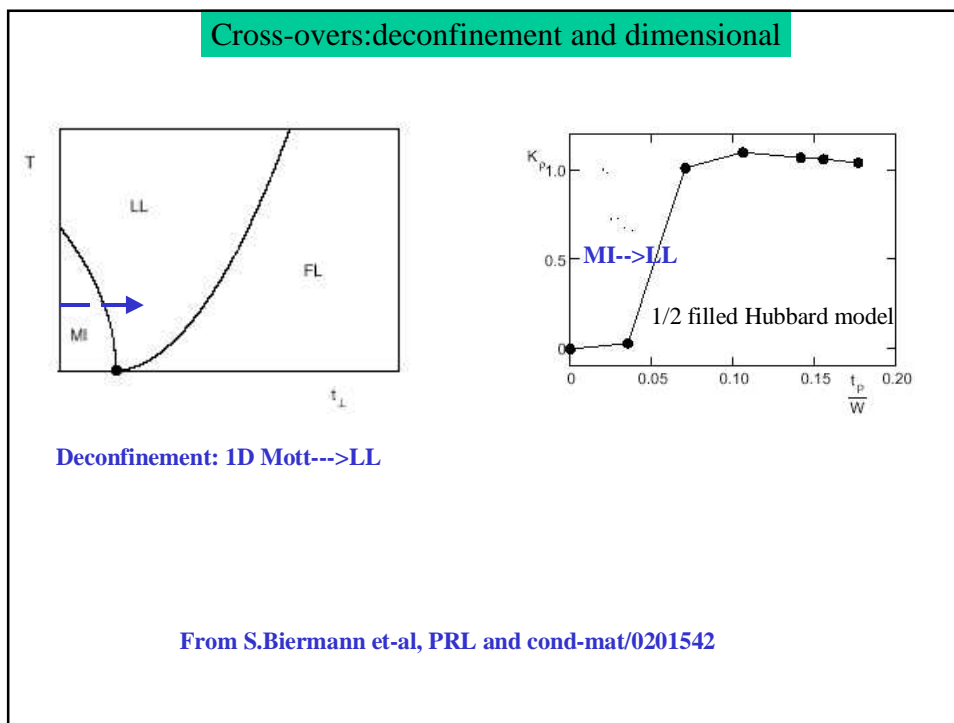
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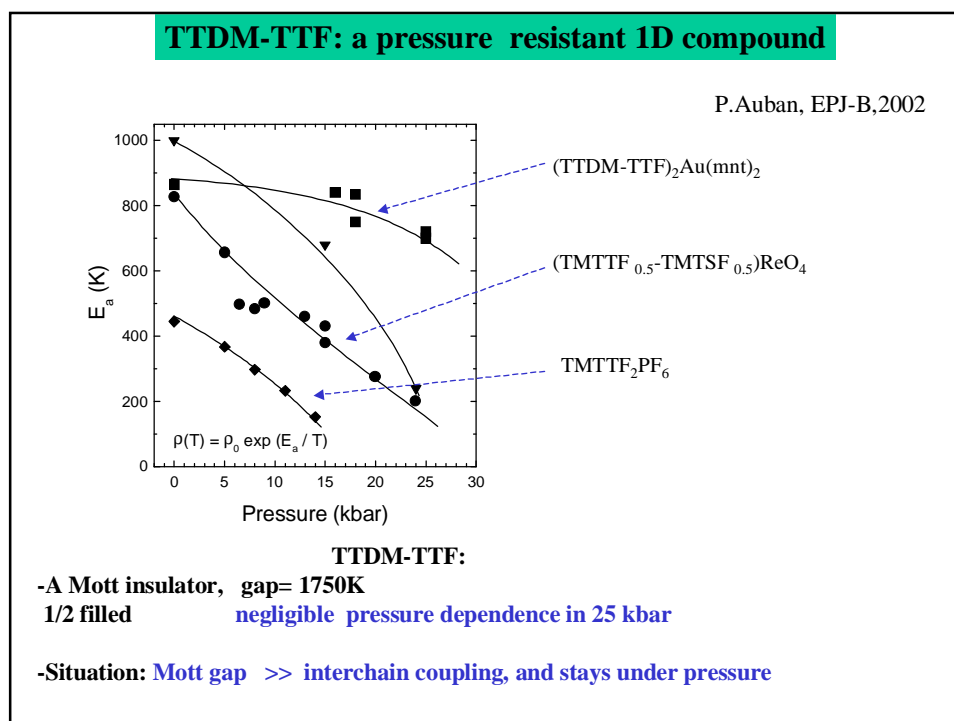
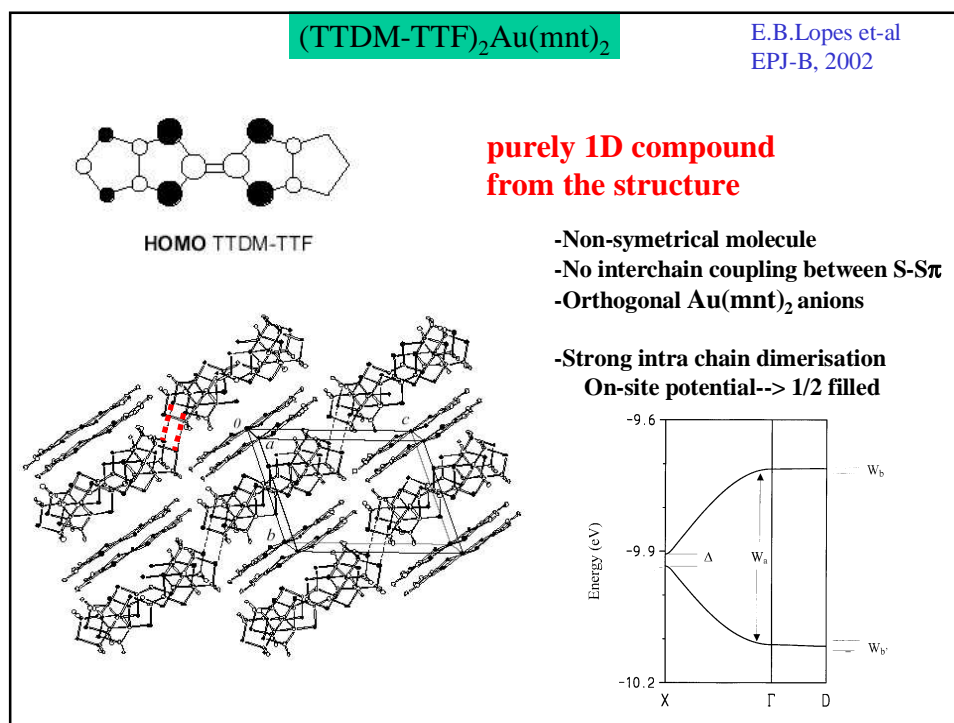
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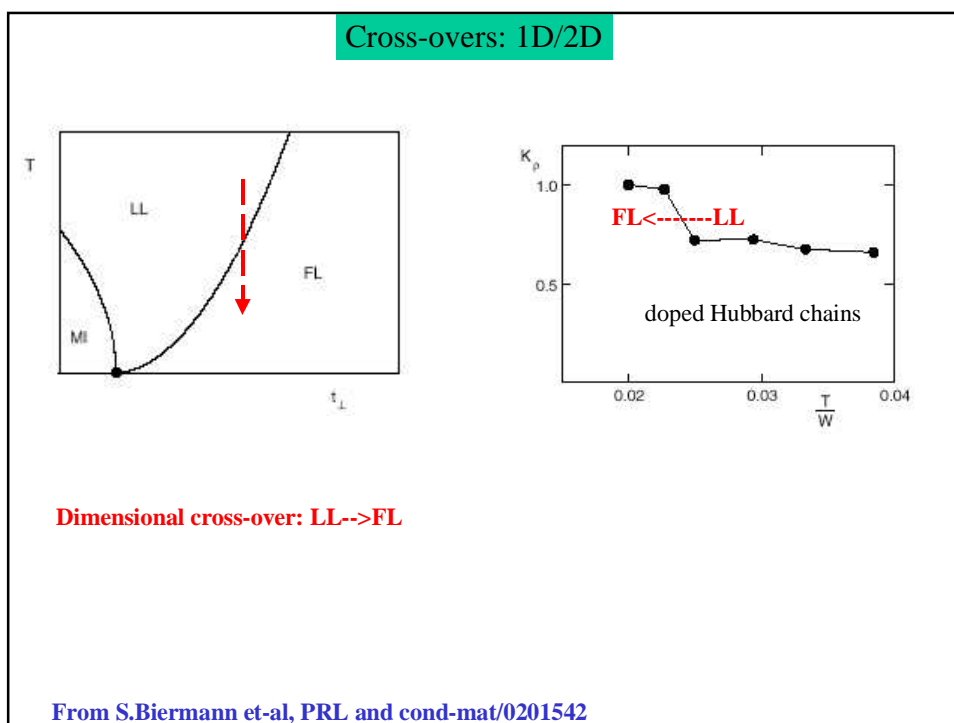
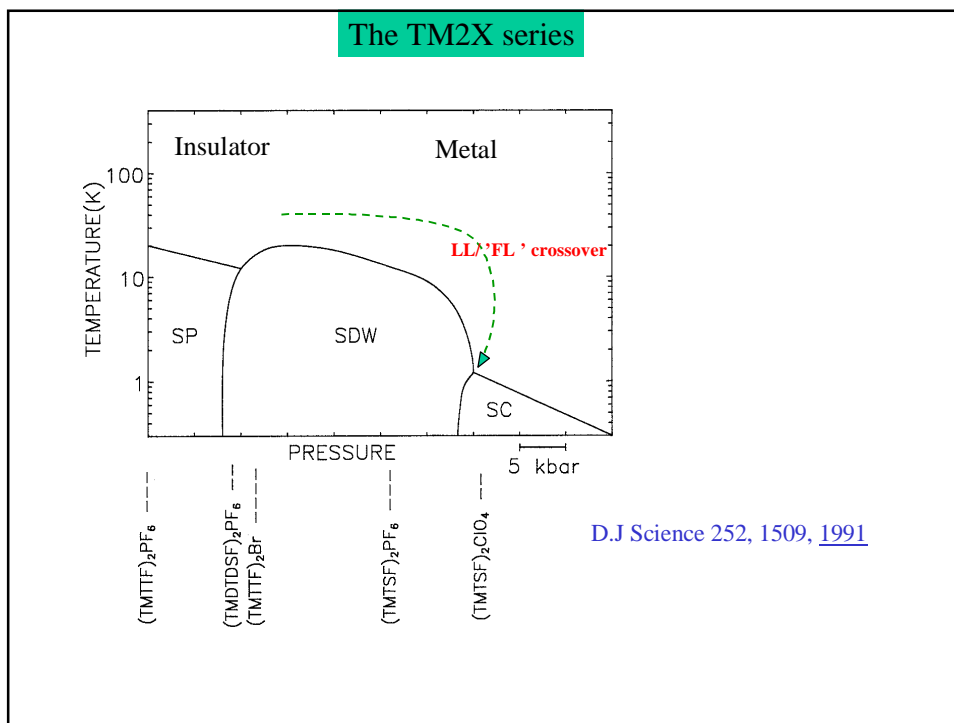


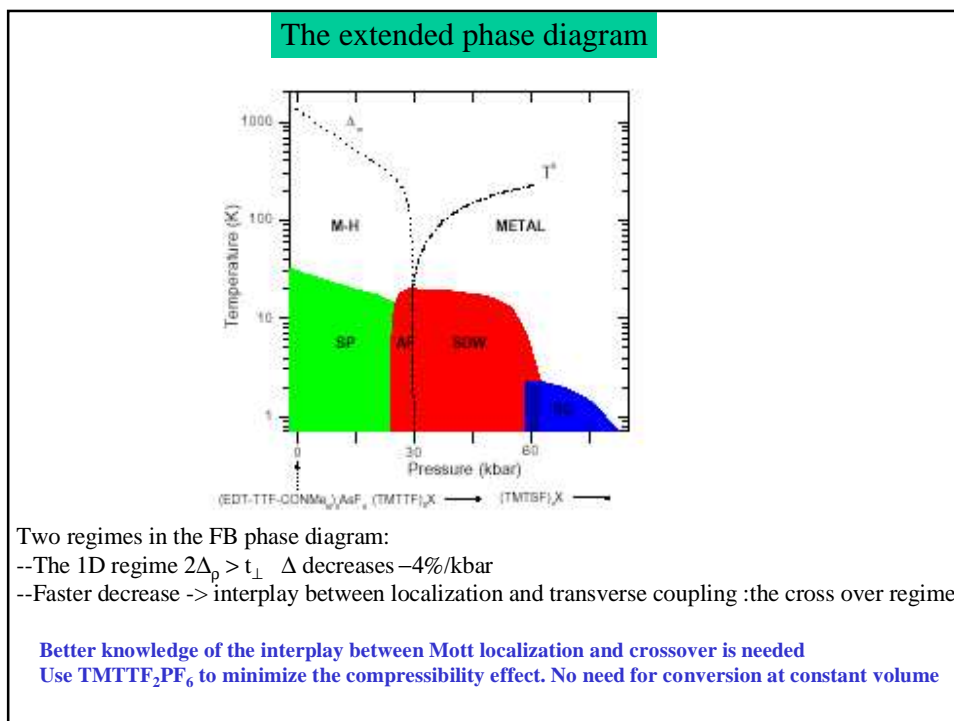
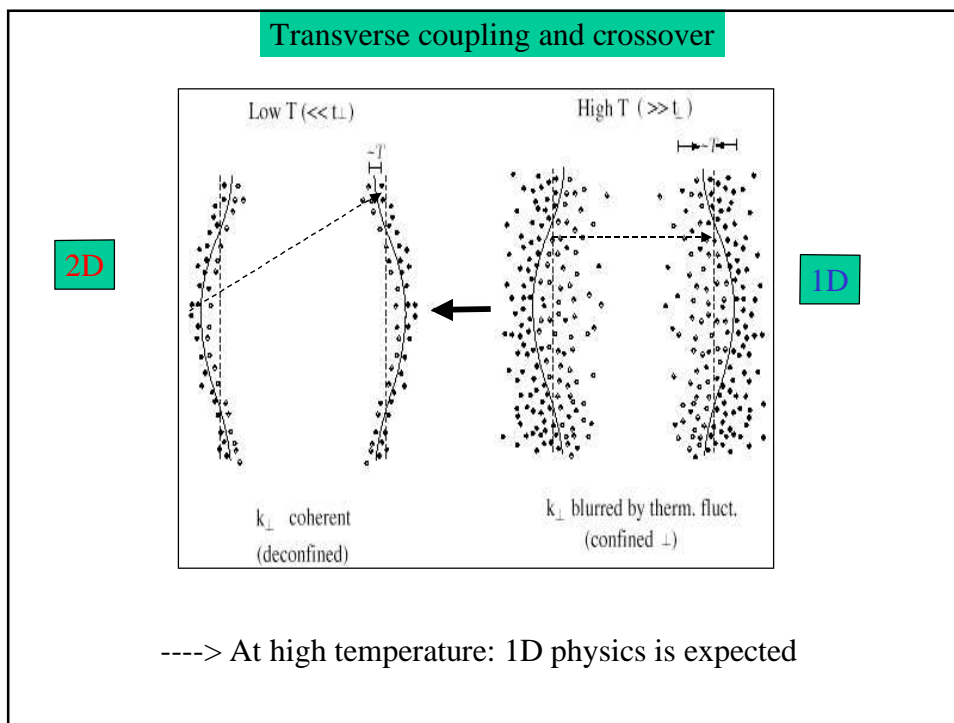


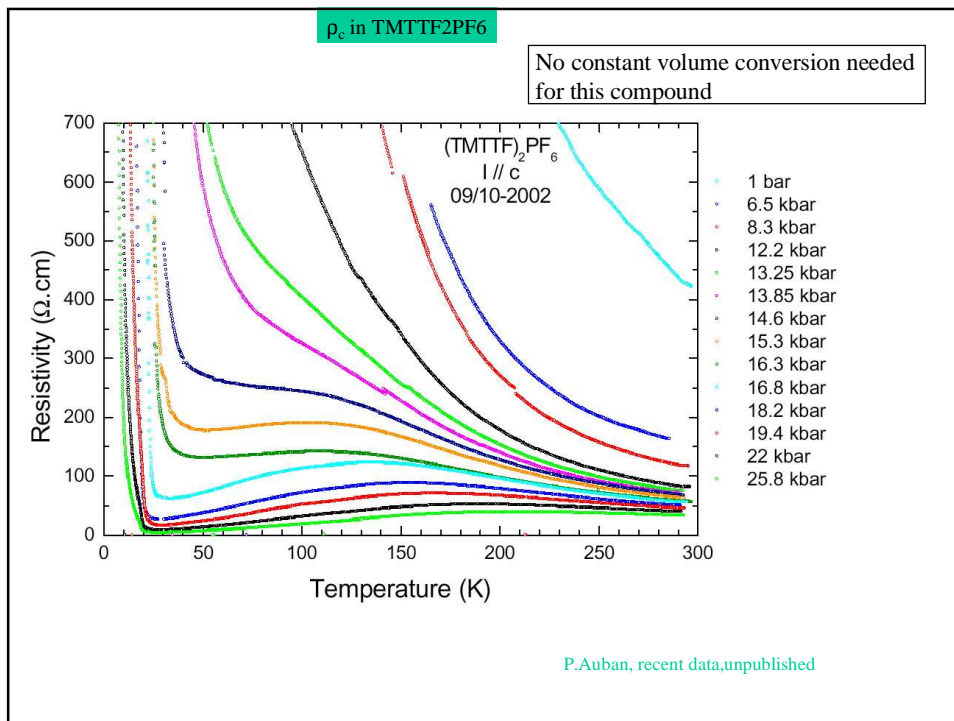
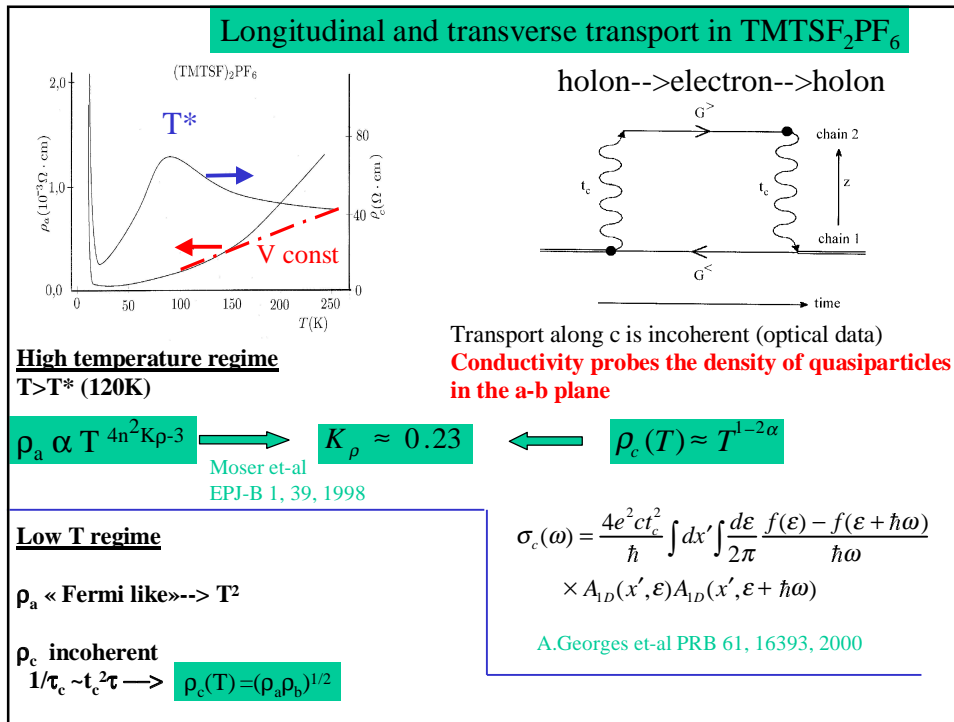
TTDM = a system in which the transverse coupling is minimized---> A 1D compound



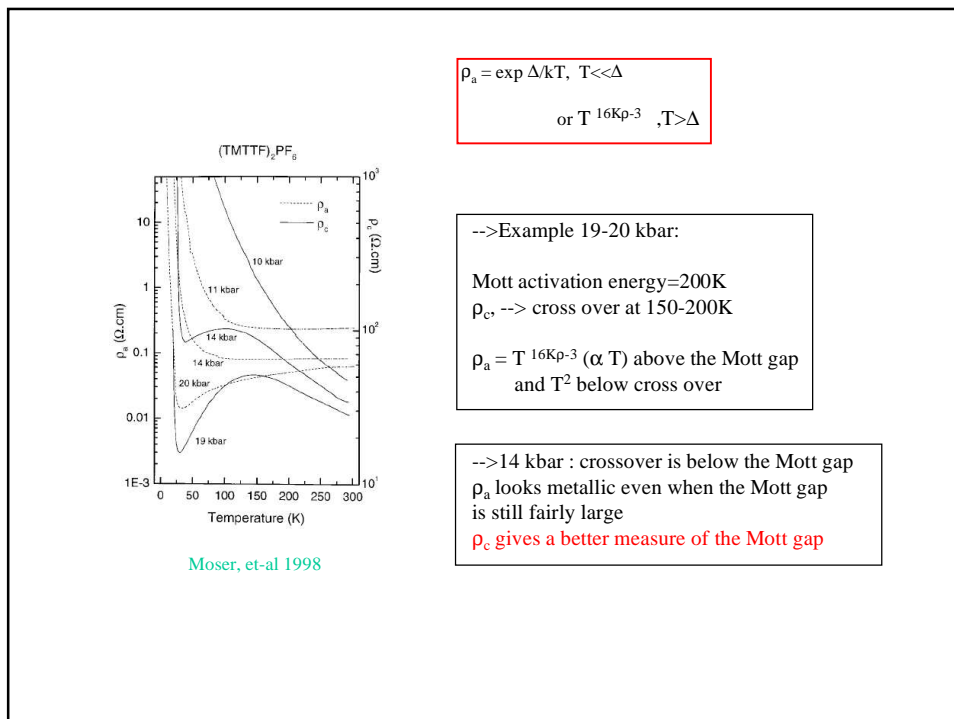
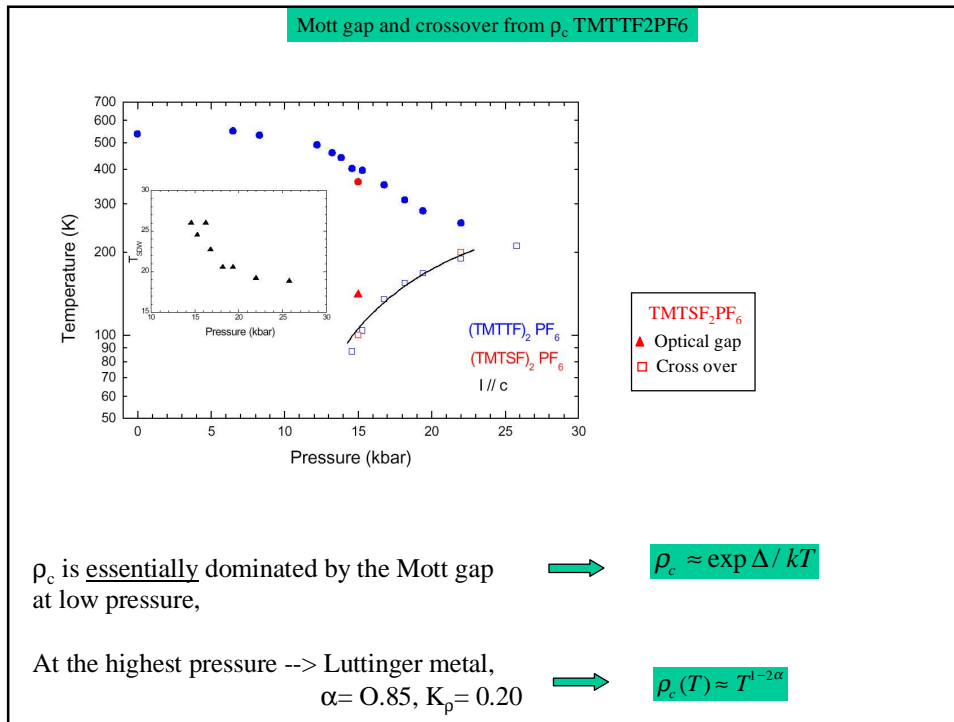
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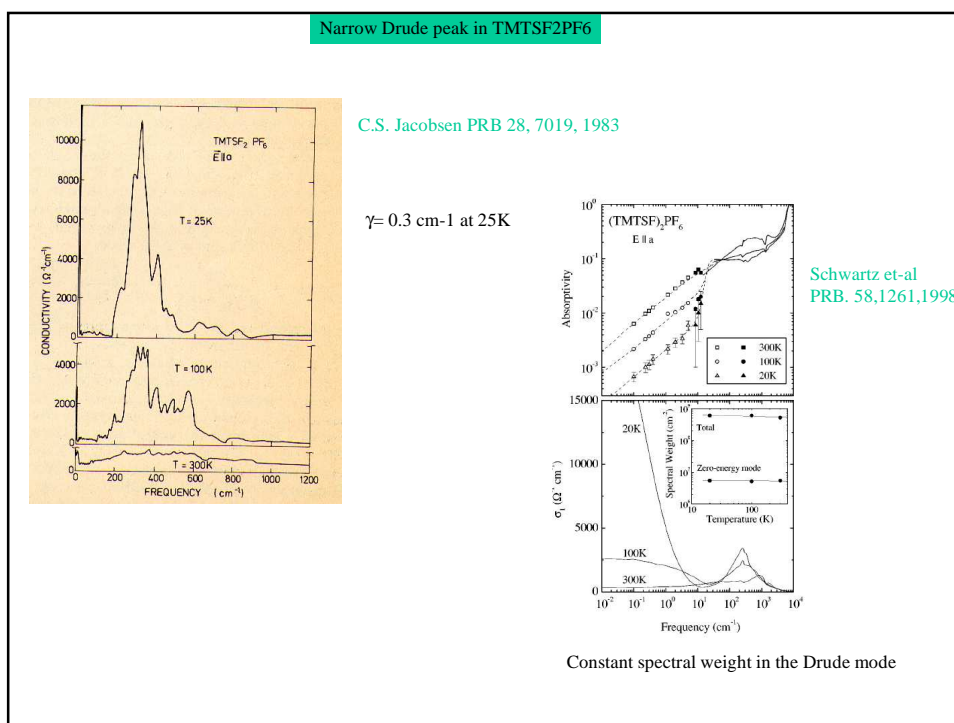
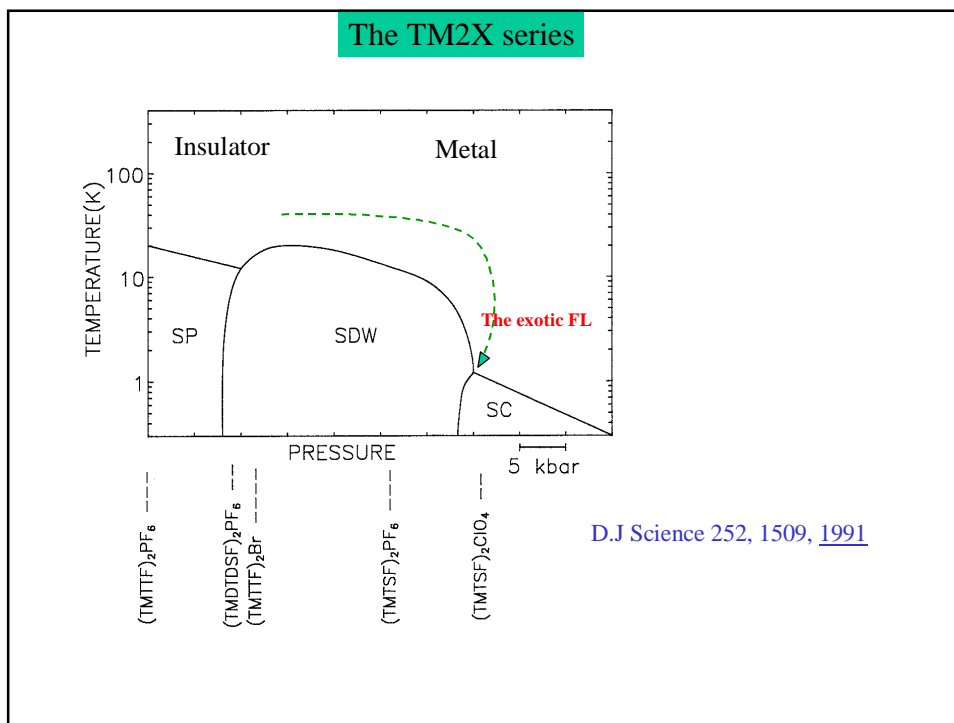




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The zero frequency Drude Peak

Drude description of the conductivity

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{\omega_p^2 \tau}{1 + \omega^2 \tau^2}$$

Near 12 K, $\sigma(0) = 3 \cdot 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\omega_p = 9900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

--> $1/\tau = 4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and
 --> too much conductivity in the FIR regime

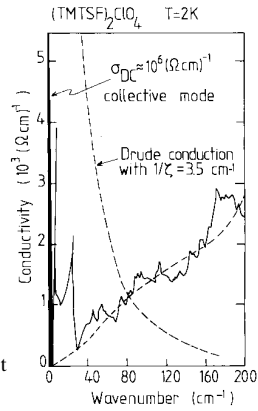
--> Large DC conductivity due to a zero frequency collective mode

T.Timusk, 1983-86

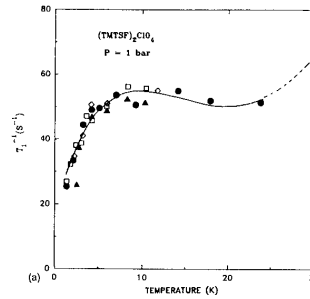
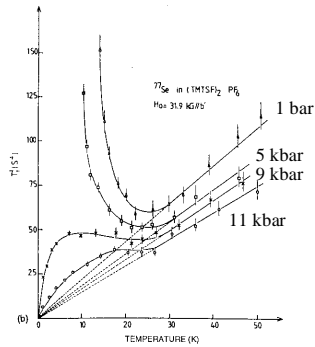
Plasma frequency $\Omega_p = 500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ from the zero of the dielectric constant

Oscillator strenght up to ω $\int_0^\omega \sigma(\omega) d\omega = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{n^{eff} e^2}{m^*} = 1\% \text{ of total with } N_h$

T(K)	2	10	25
$\gamma_c \text{ cm}^{-1}$	0.005	0.04	0.09



The spin sector: NMR in the metallic state



T_1 anomaly attributed to the dimensional crossover T^*

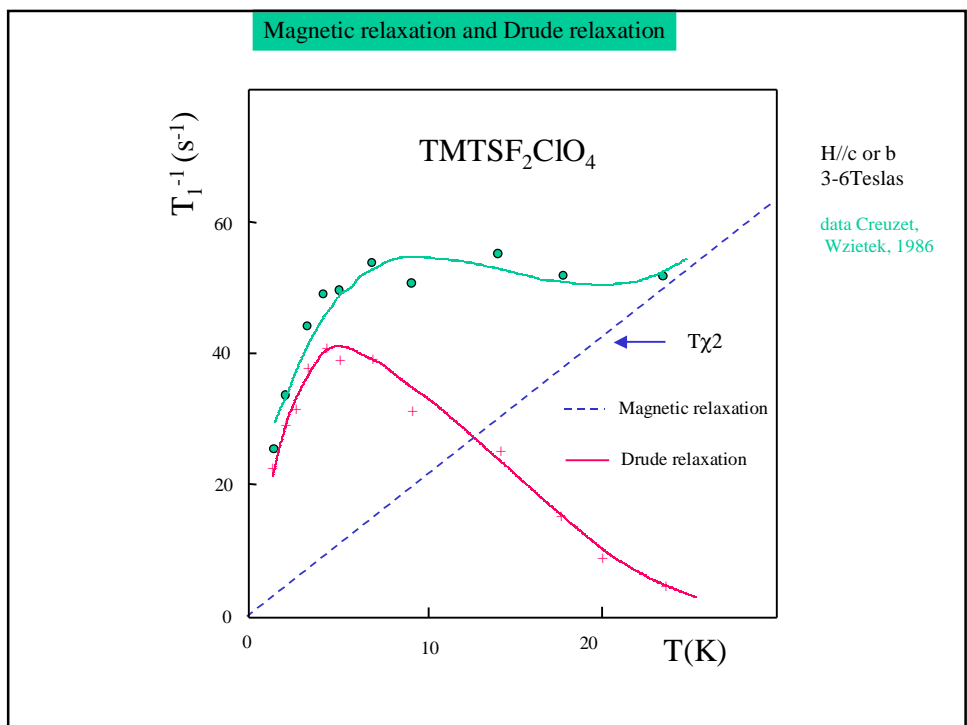
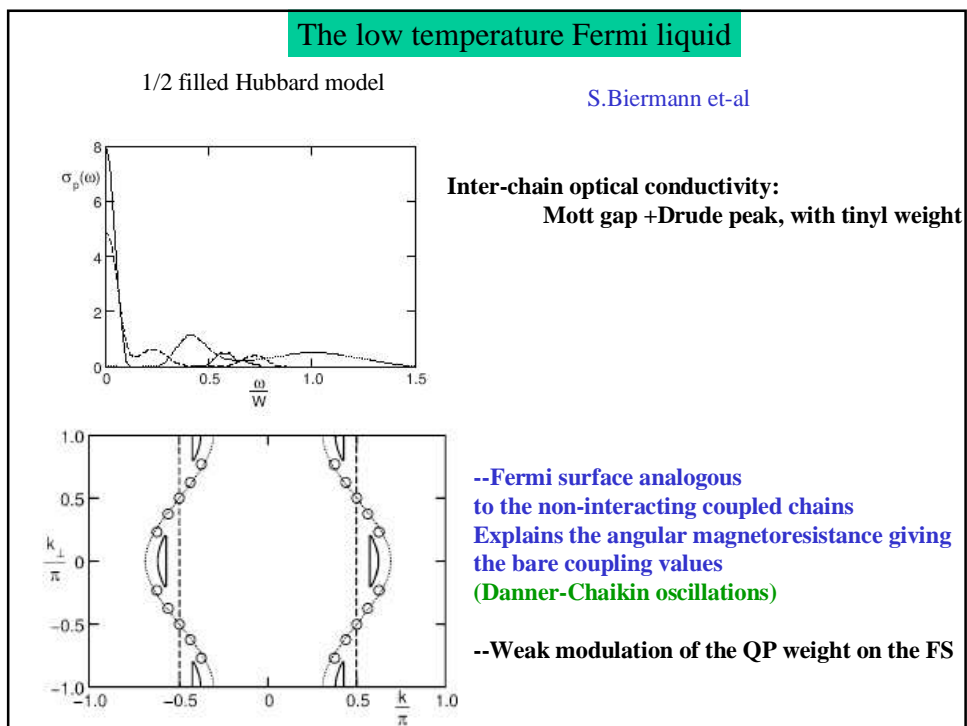
Absence of SDW ground state

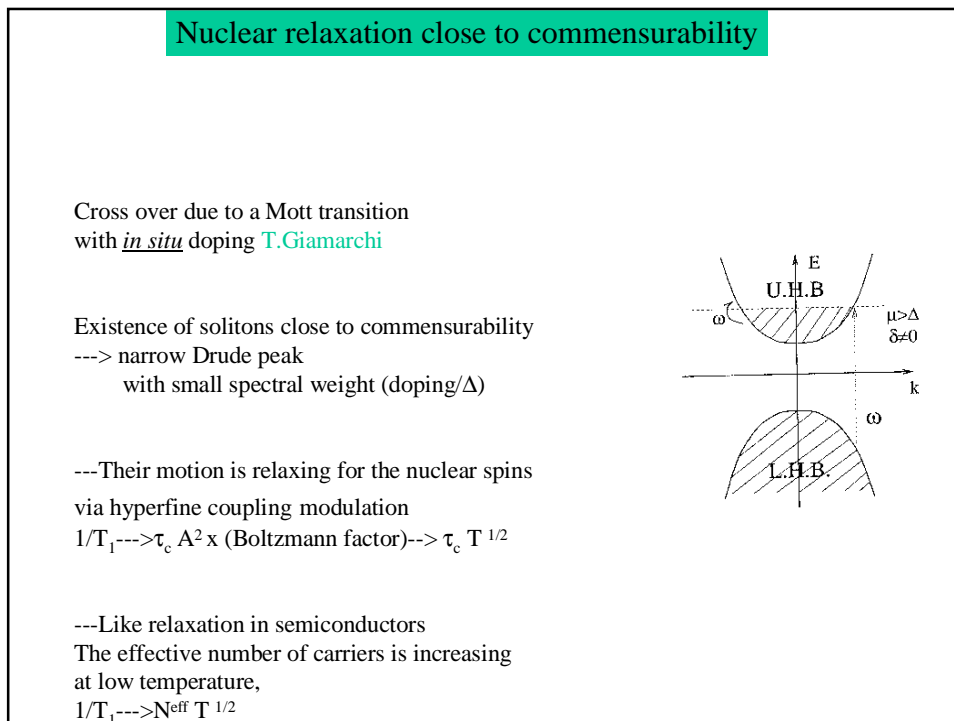
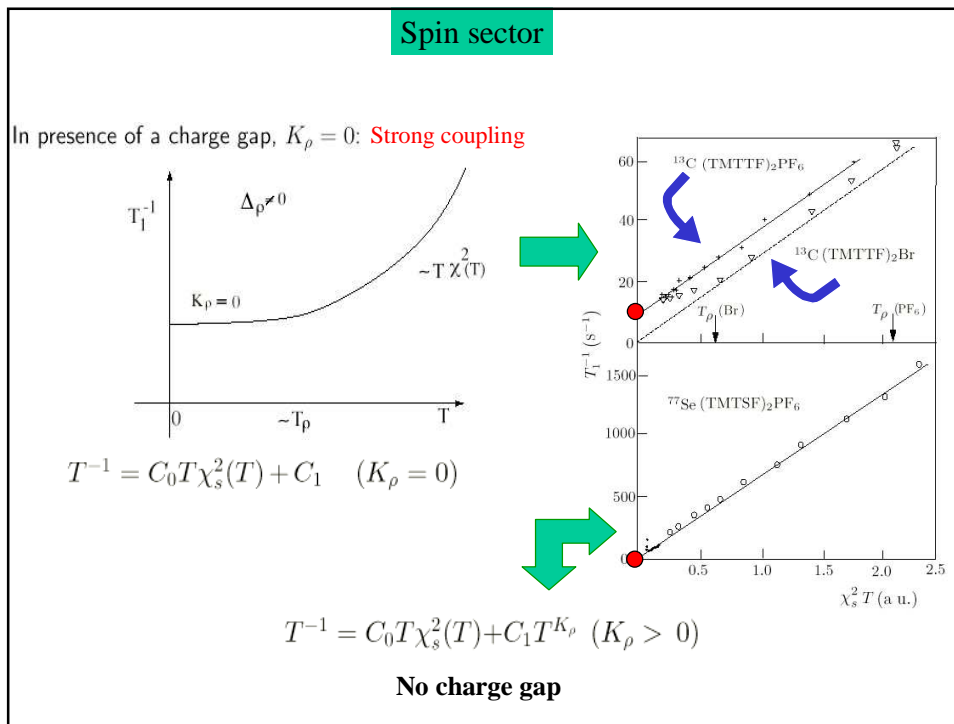
In the perturbative RG approach $T^* = t_\perp (t_\perp / t)^\alpha / (1 - \alpha)$

Cannot be attributed to precursor effects?

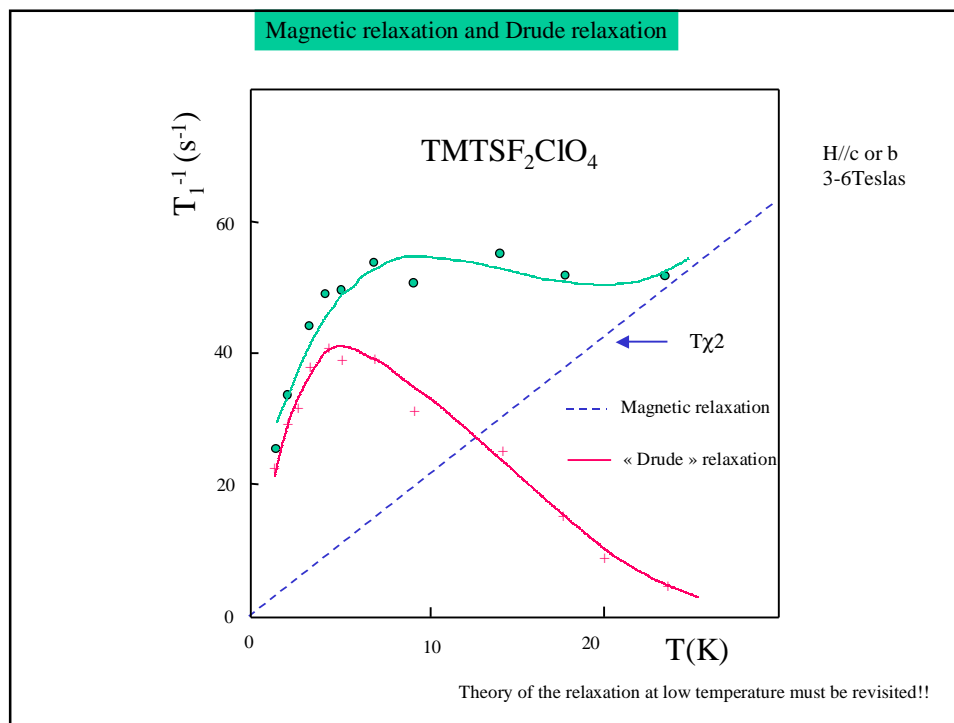
provides $T^* \sim 2-3 \text{ K}$ with $K_p = 0.23$, $\alpha \sim 0.6$

--> T^* much too low compared to the crossover observed by transport or optics





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Summary

- Fabre Bechgaard salts have commensurate band filling and 1D electronic properties-----> 1D Mott insulators
- 1/4 filled Umklapp scattering is pertinent for the localization, $U/W \sim 1$ probably not 1/2 filling
- Relevance of transverse coupling for the MI/LL crossover
- Repulsive Luttinger liquid properties visible at high temperature in the high T limit of the Mott insulator
- The 2D exotic Fermi liquid is stabilized by the transverse coupling and leads to a very narrow band Drude metal
- Perspectives:
 - Make an incommensurate conductor and check T_1 and transport vs T
 - Reinterpretation of NMR at low temperature,
 - Microscopic study of the superconducting state, role of non magnetic impurities, quasiparticle excitations in the SC phase, acoustic attenuation, NMR Knight shift and T_1
 - High field studies of the FISDW, role of anions in TM₂ClO₄?

Epilogue

Bechgaard salts:

« The most interesting materials ever discovered »

Paul Chaikin

all organics are interesting !!

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