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Is there a Common Thread ?

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2.The neutron scattering resonance in
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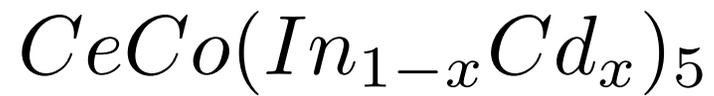
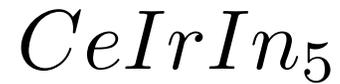
I.The Materials

They come in families with:

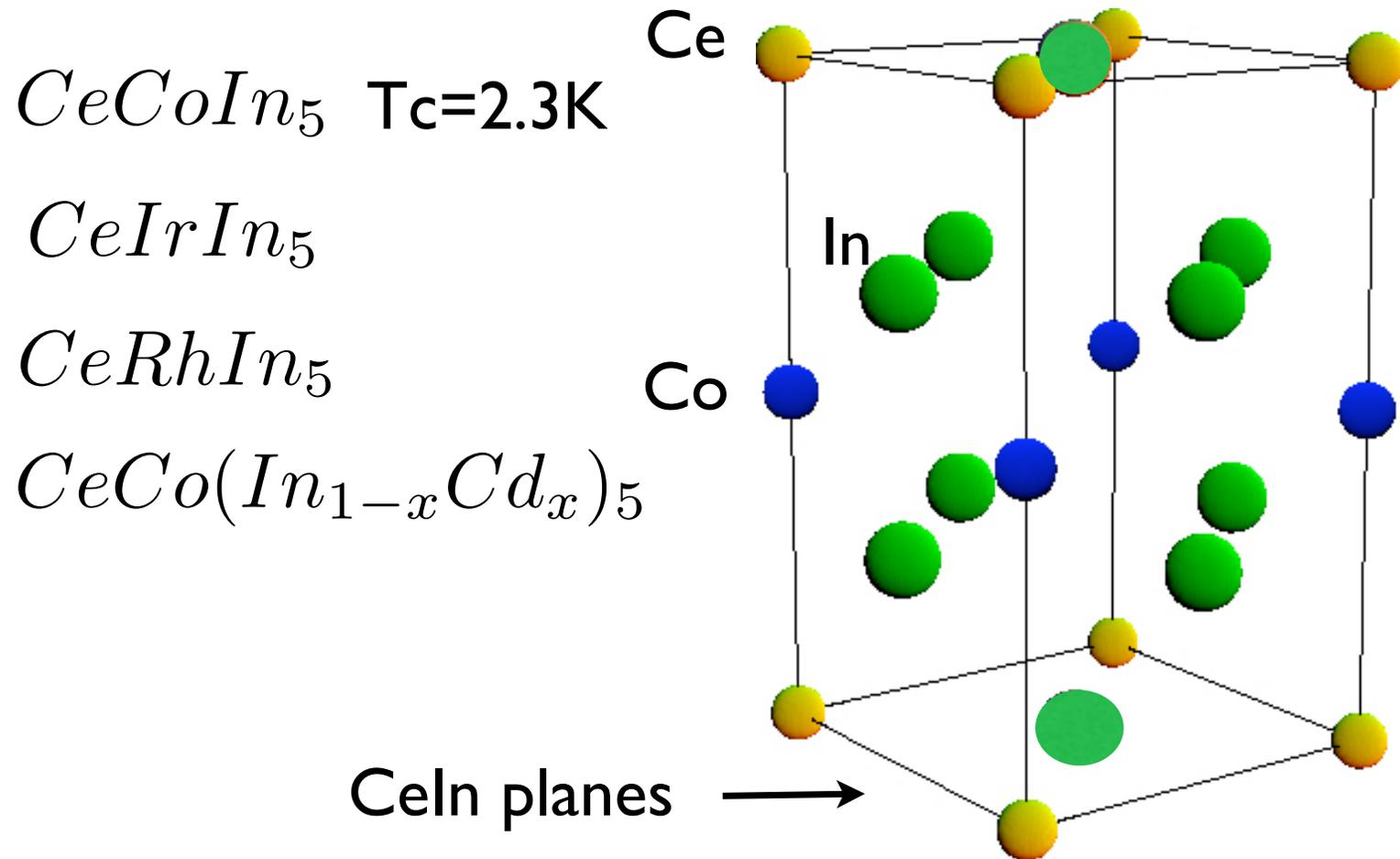
layered 2D structures

phase diagrams with AF magnetism/ superconductivity

The 115 Heavy Fermion Family

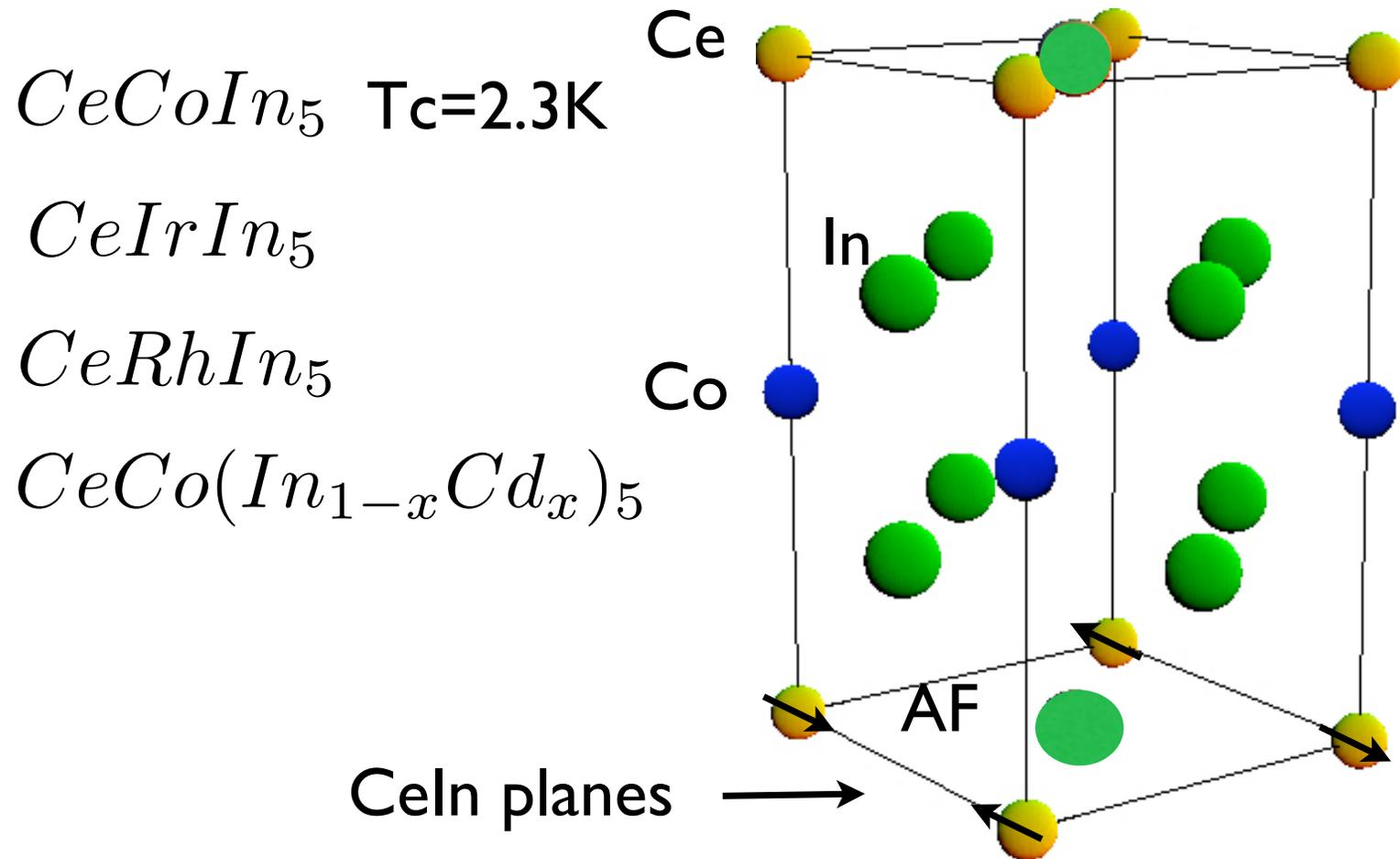


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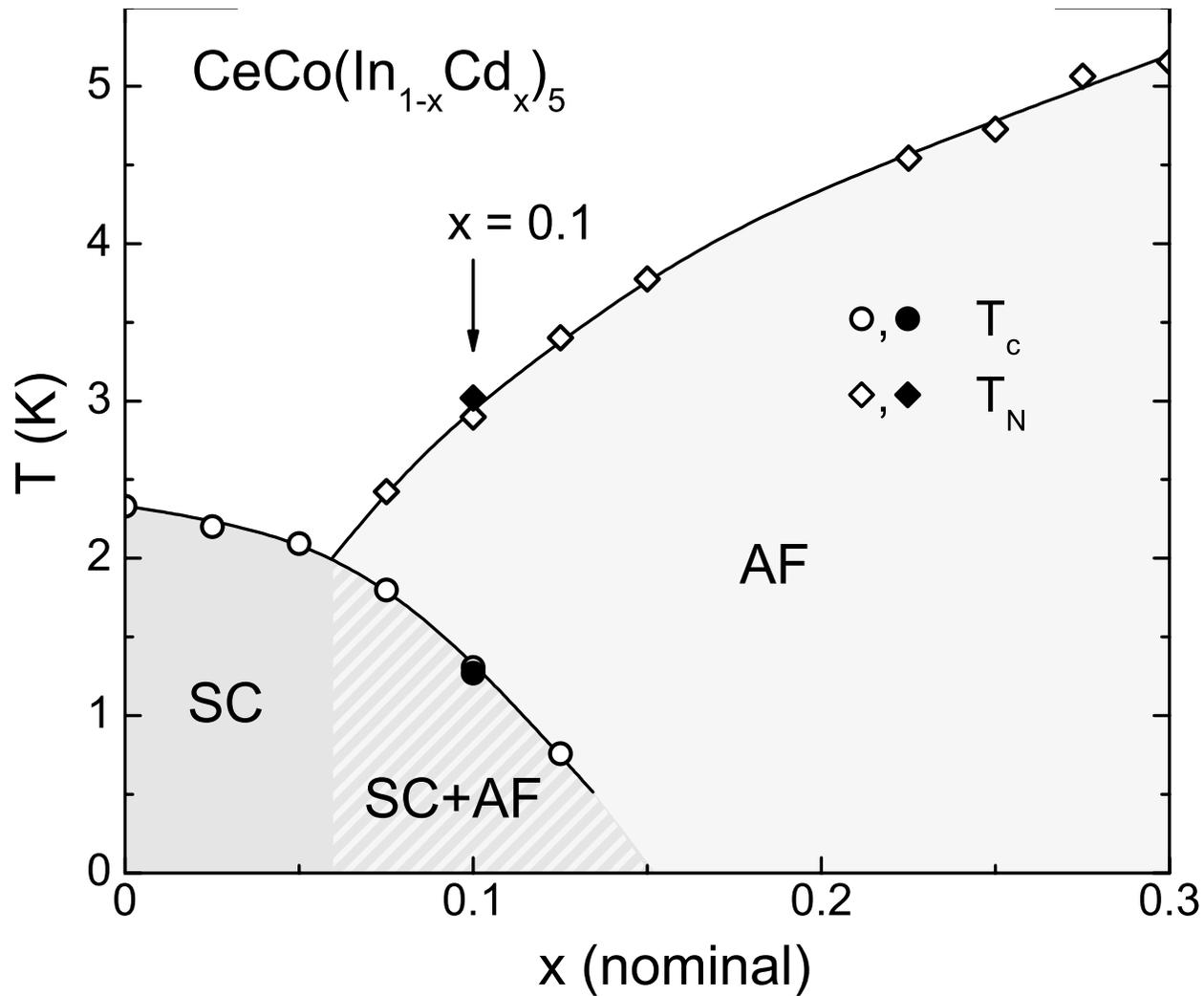


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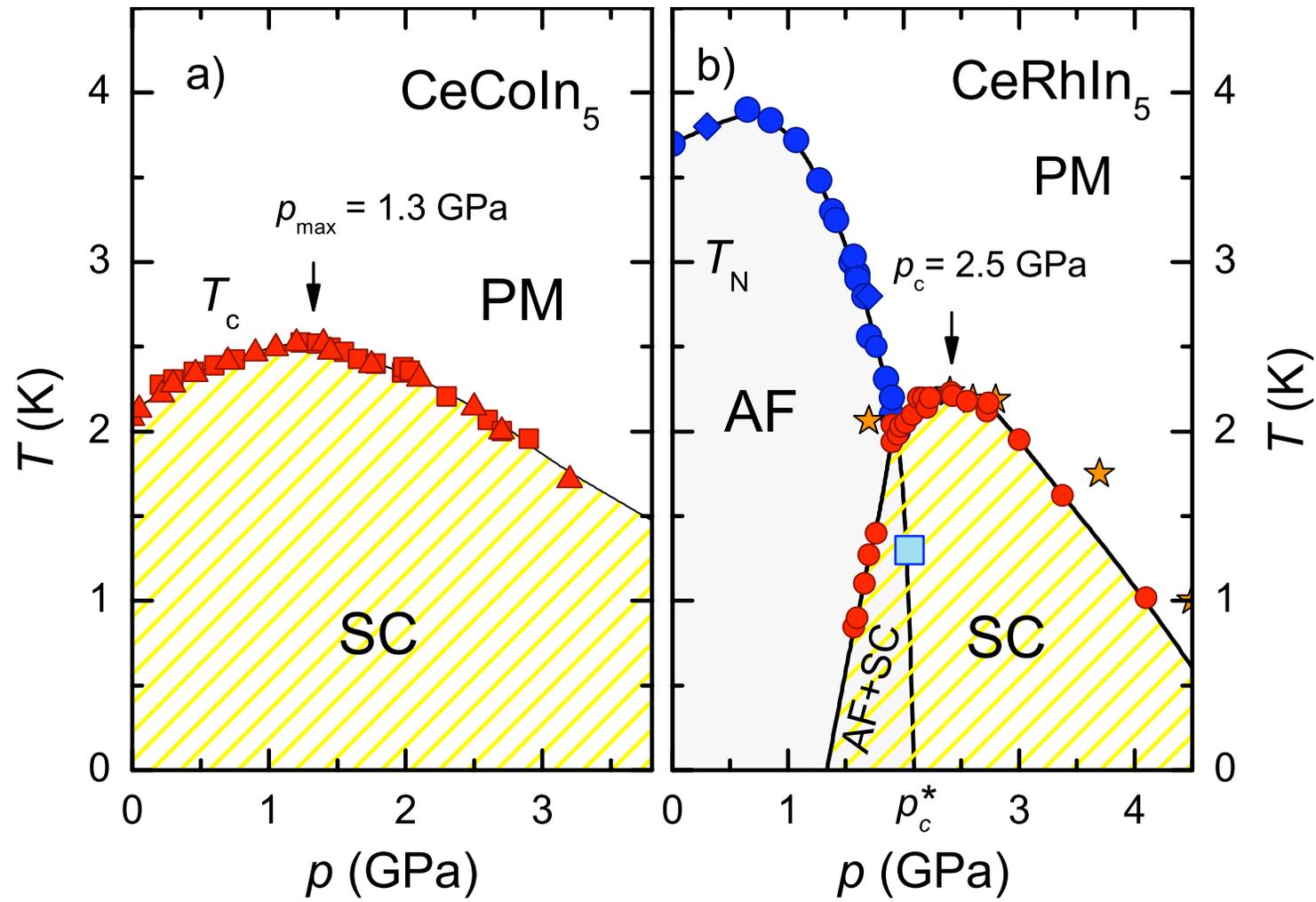


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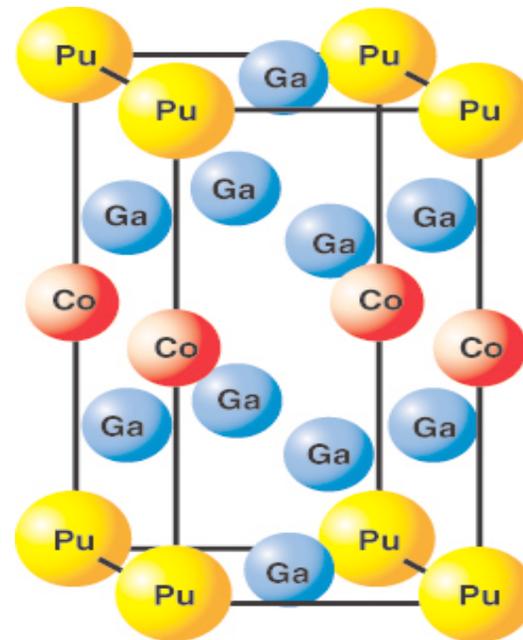
The 115 actinide PuM₅Ga₅ family

PuCoGa₅ T_c=18.5K

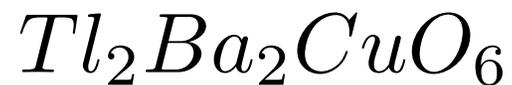
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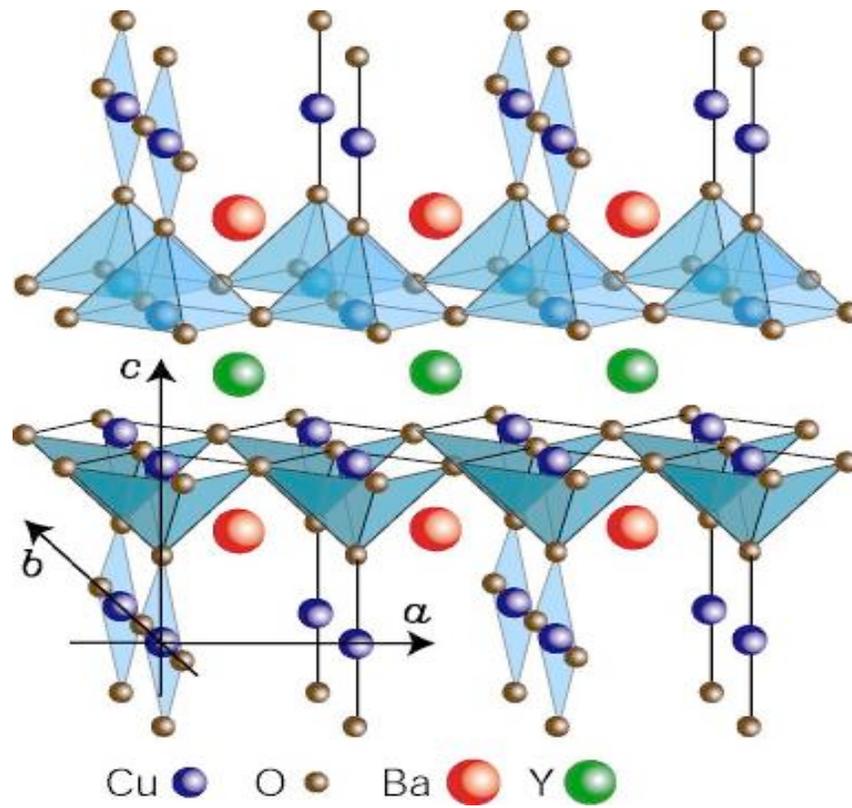
PuCo_{0.5}Rh_{0.5}Ga₅

Pu-Ga planes



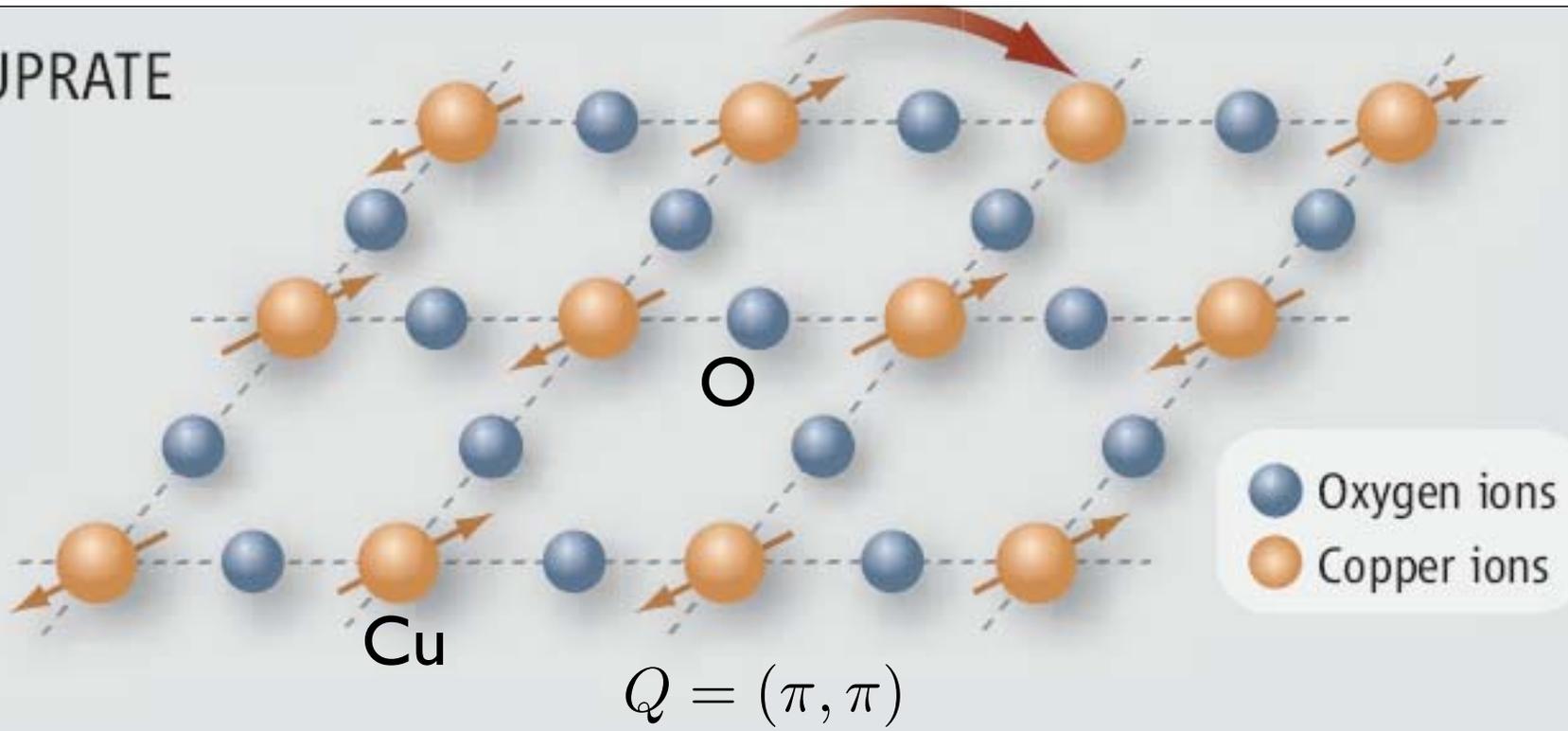
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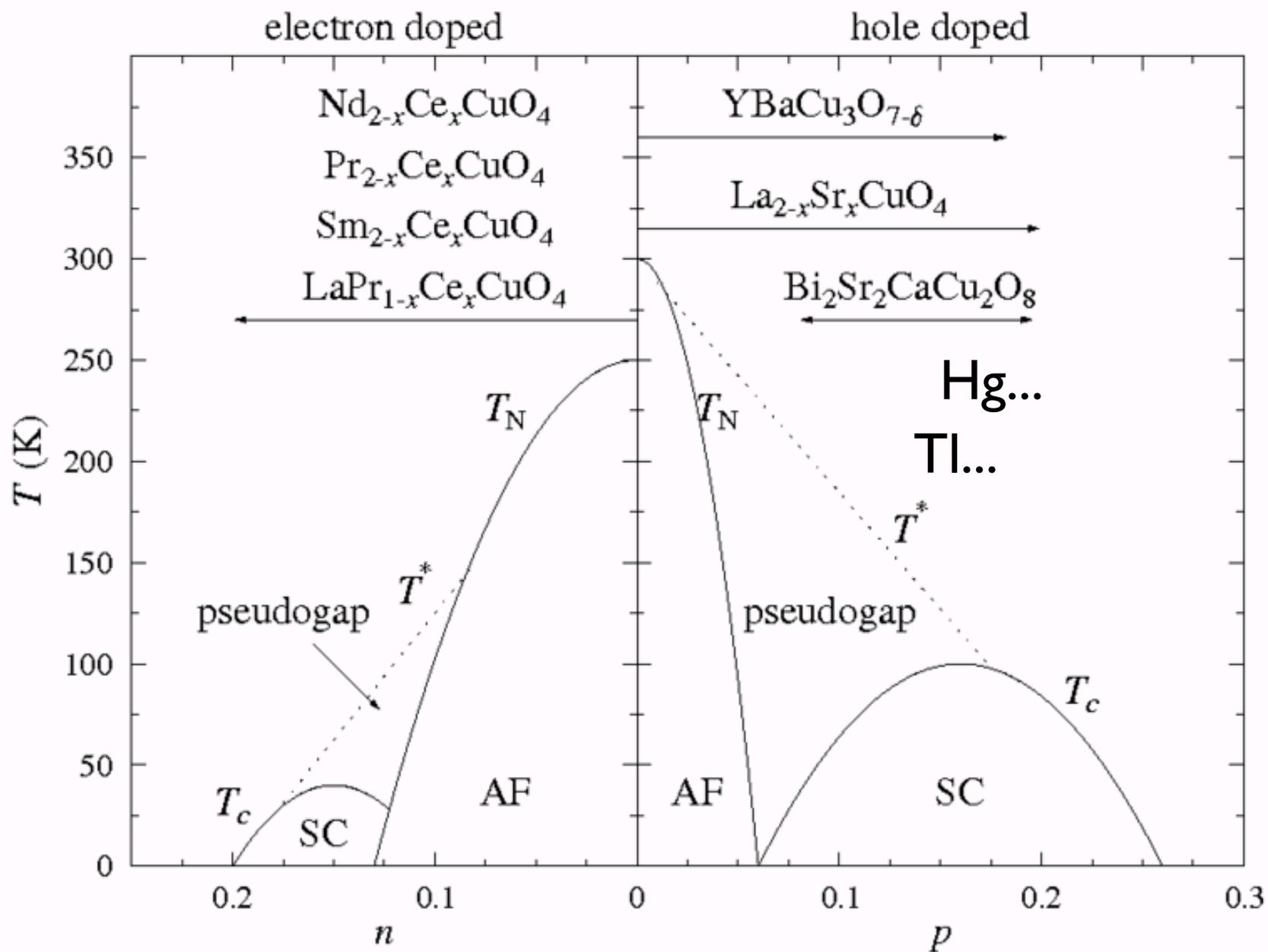


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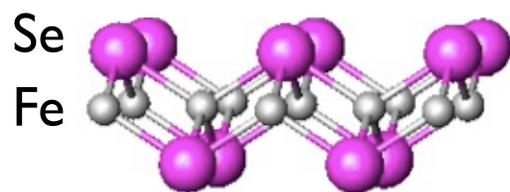
CUPRATE



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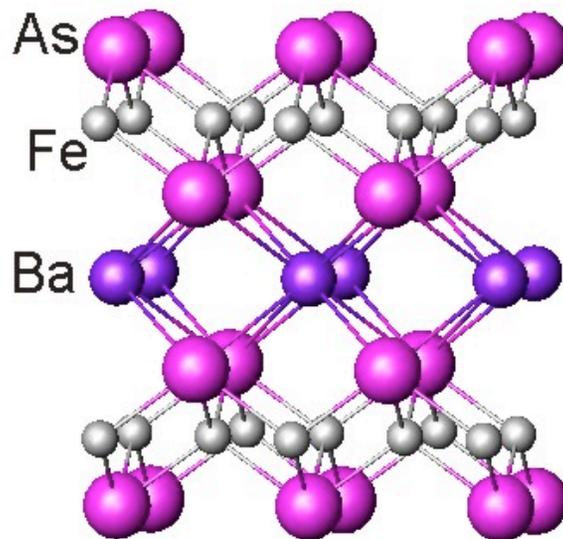


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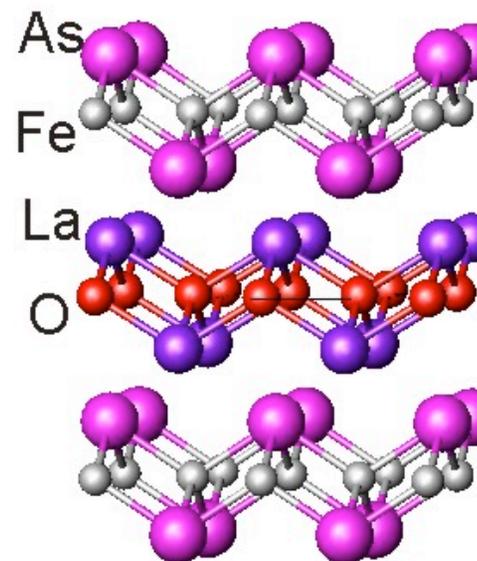


FeSe
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FeAsLi
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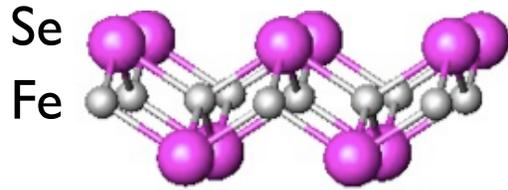


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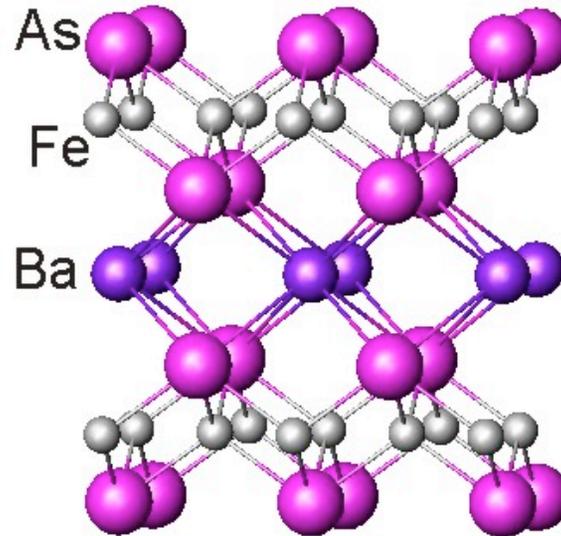


FeSe

$$T_c = 9K - 37K$$

FeAsLi

$$T_c = 14K$$



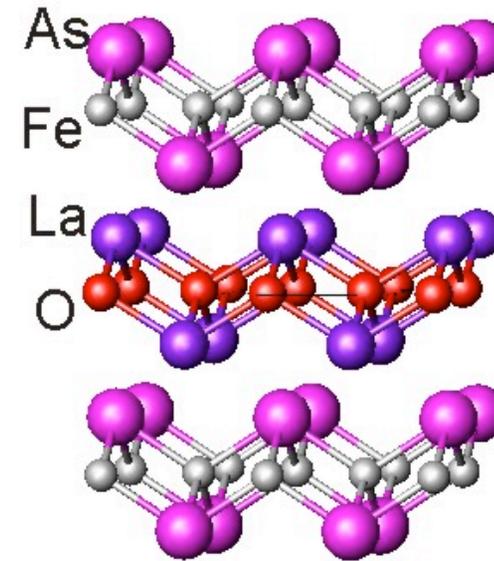
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$$T_c = 38K \quad \text{h}$$



$$T_c = 22K$$



LaFeAsO



$$T_c = 28K$$



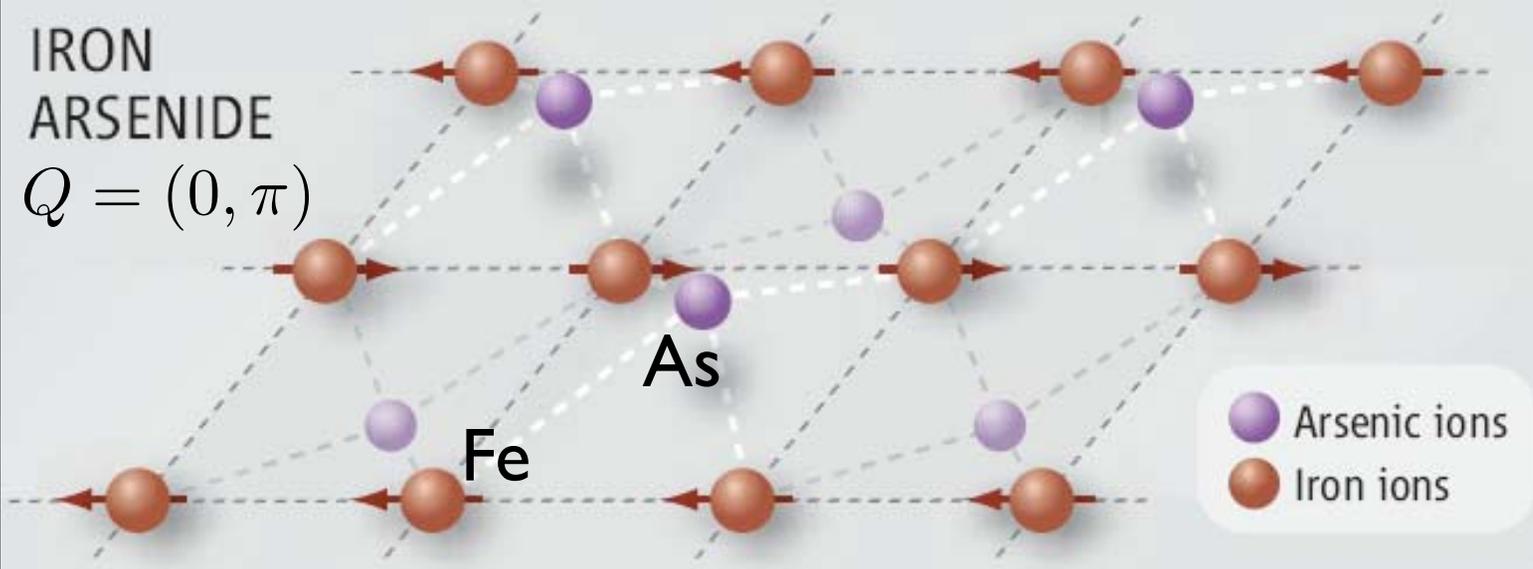
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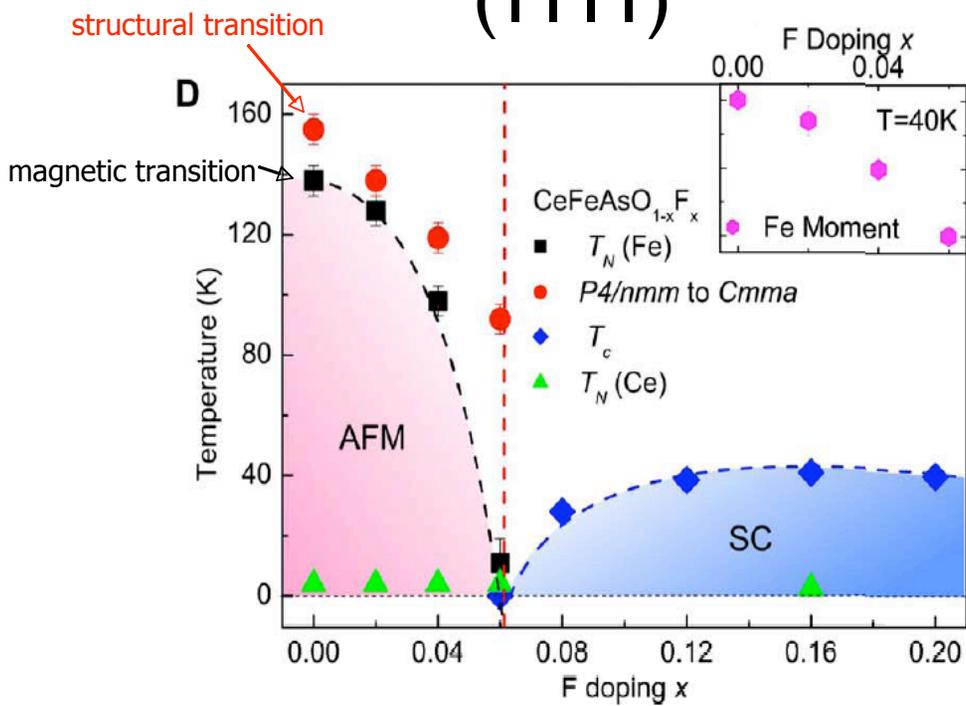
$$T_c = 6K$$

IRON
ARSENIDE

$$Q = (0, \pi)$$

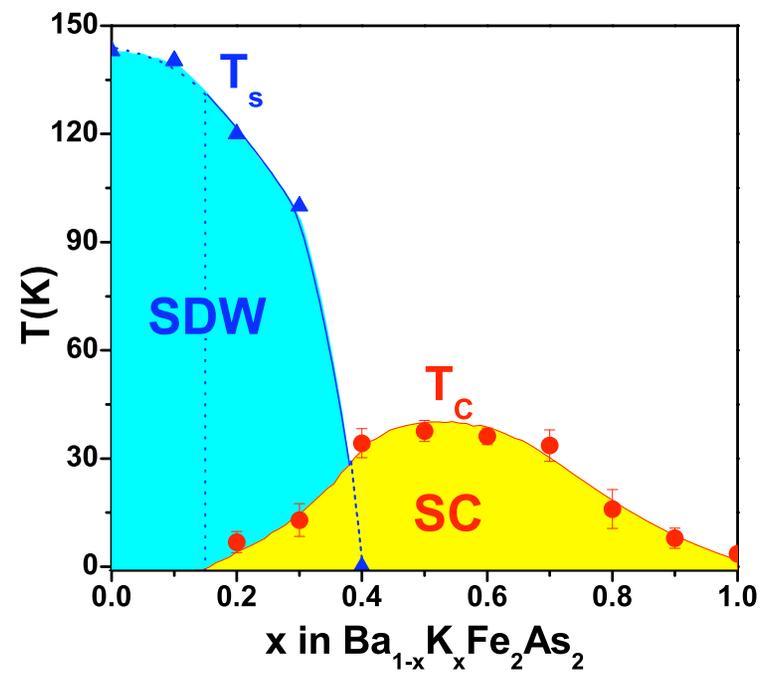


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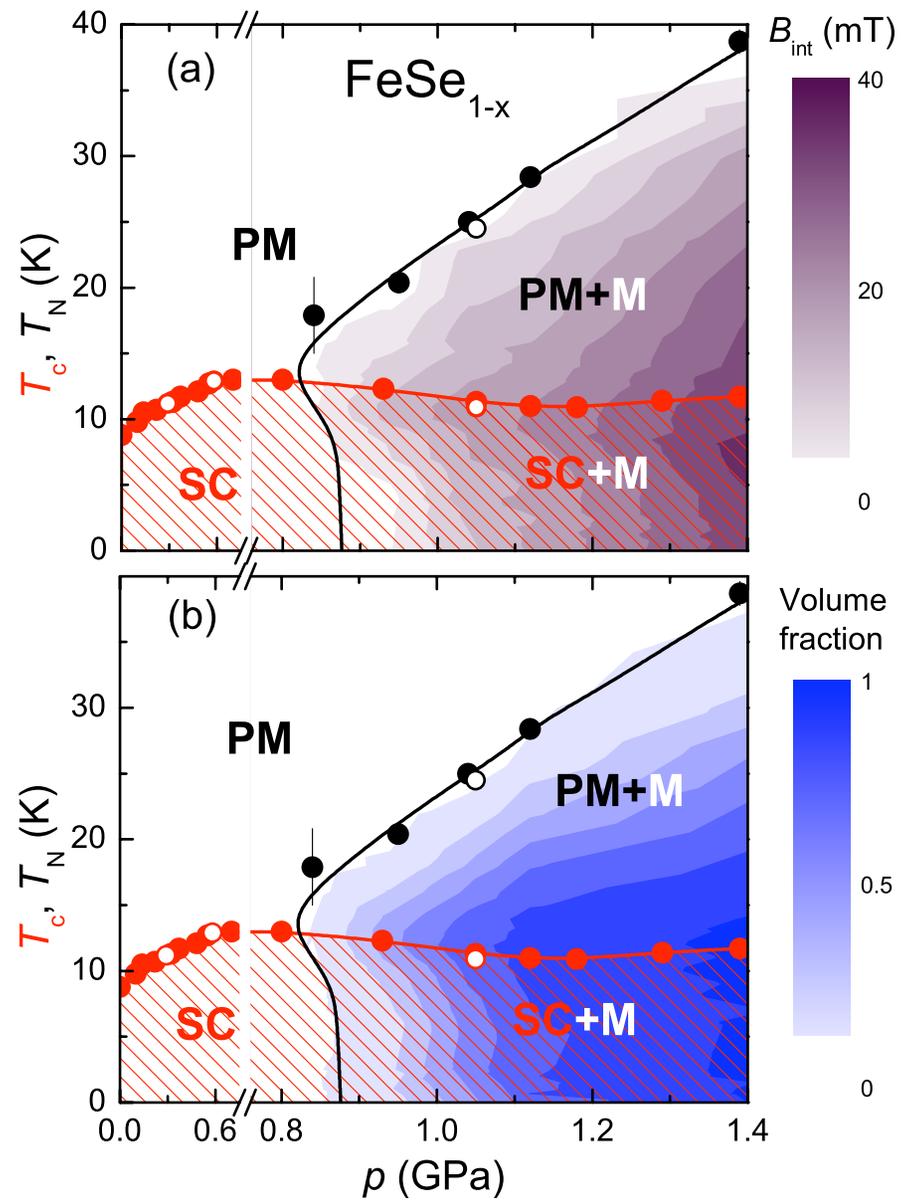


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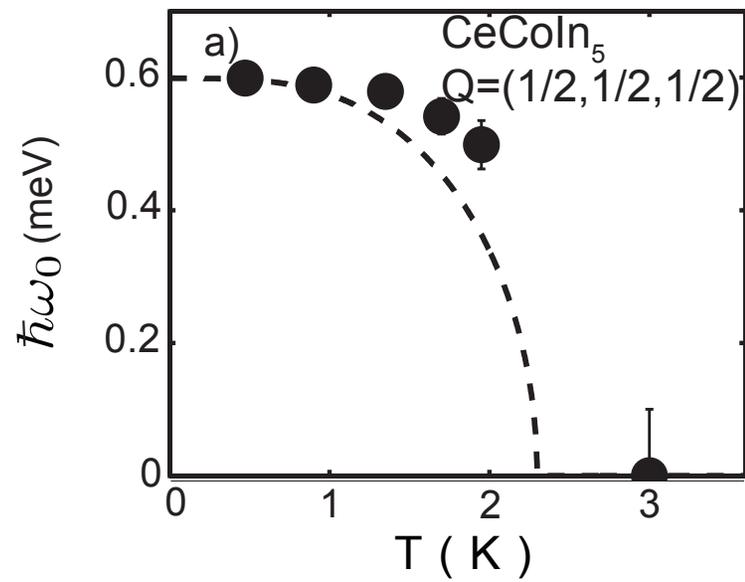
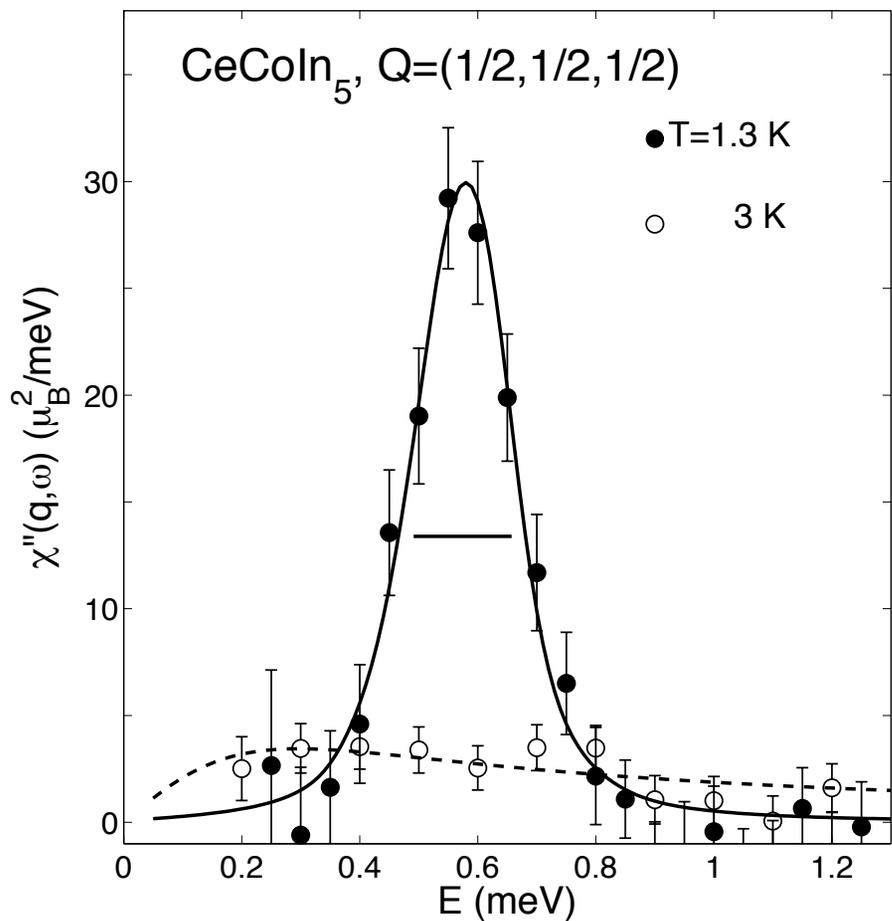
Fe-pnictides and chalcogens : Fe 3d orbitals hybridize through As or Se 4p . Parent compound is a semi-metallic AF (pressure or doping can lead to SC).

2. The neutron scattering resonance in the superconducting state

This can occur because the BCS coherence factor

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta(k+Q)\Delta(k)}{E(k+Q)E(k)} \right) \longrightarrow 1$$

when $\Delta(k+Q) = -\Delta(k)$

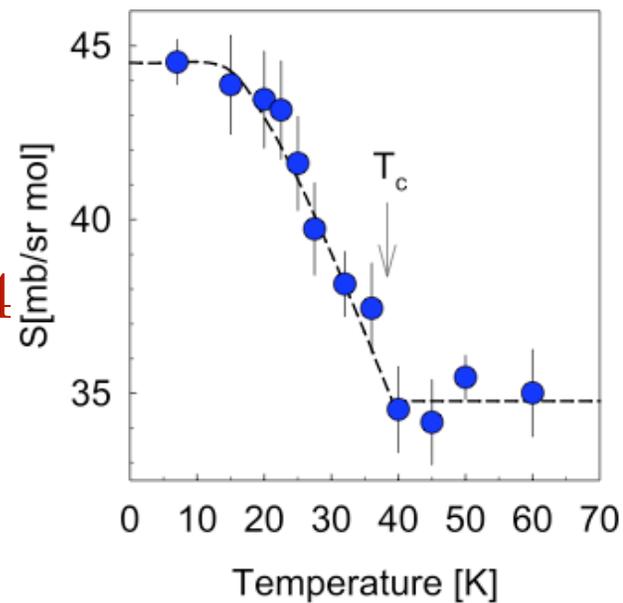
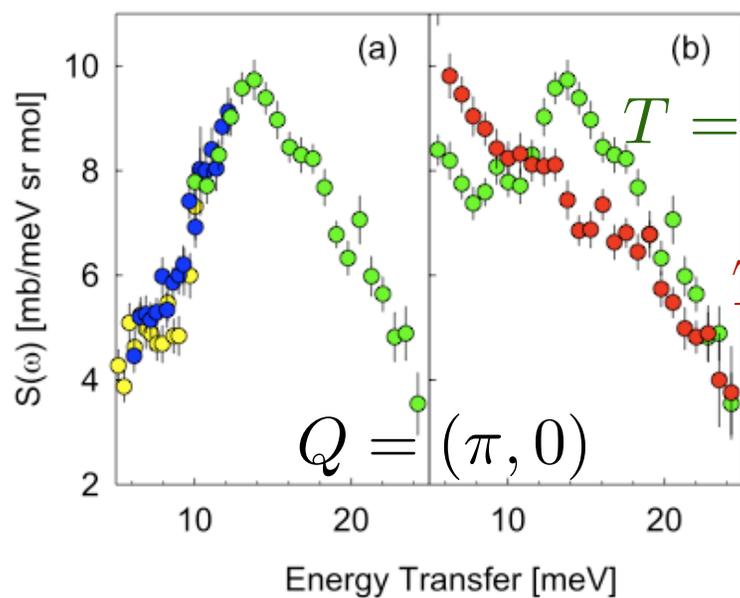


$$\frac{\hbar\omega_{res}}{2\Delta_0} = 0.65$$

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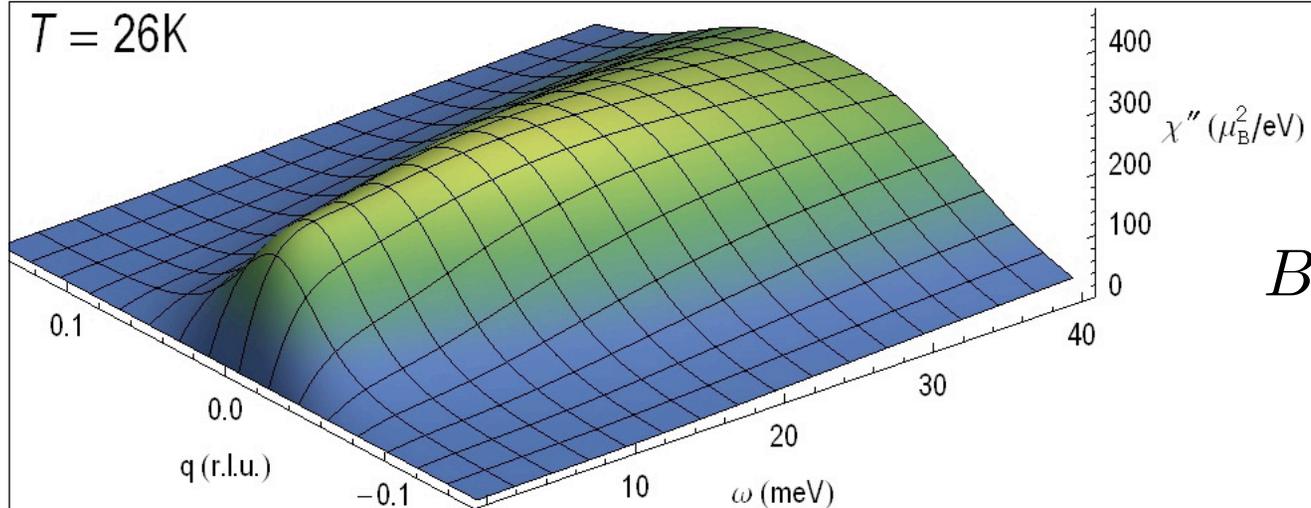


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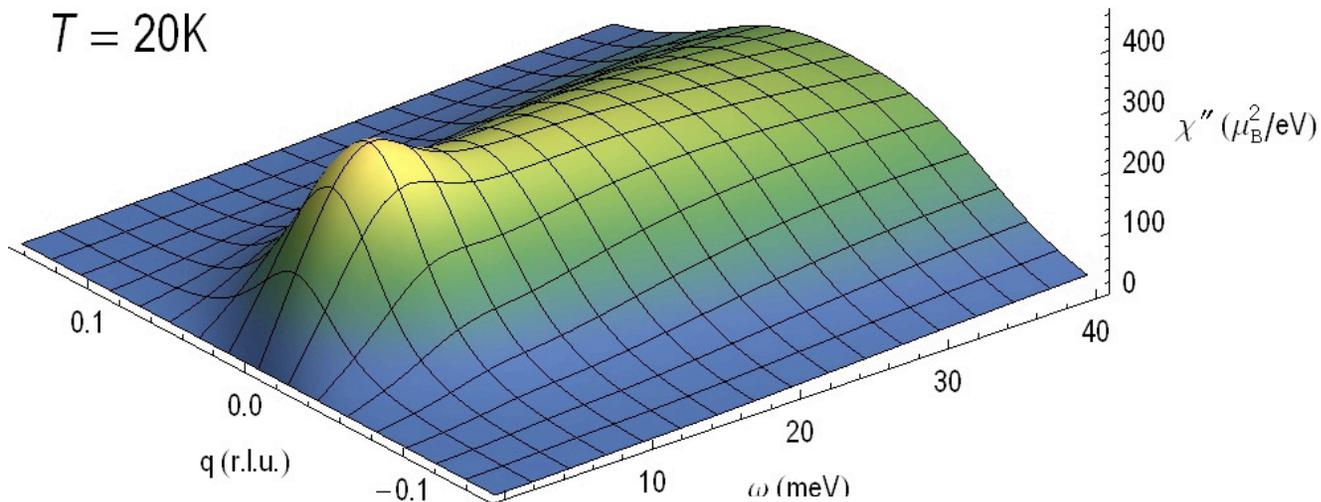
$T = 26\text{K}$



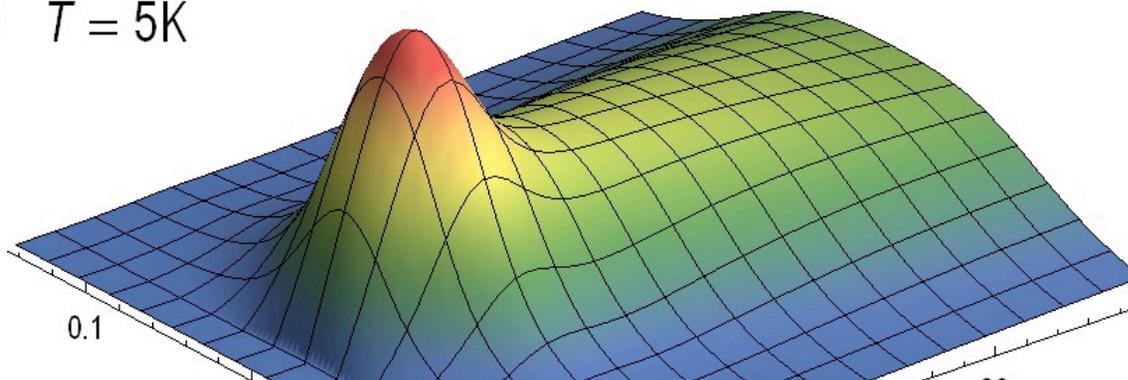
$BaFe_{1.85}Co_{0.15}As_2$

$T_c = 25\text{K}$

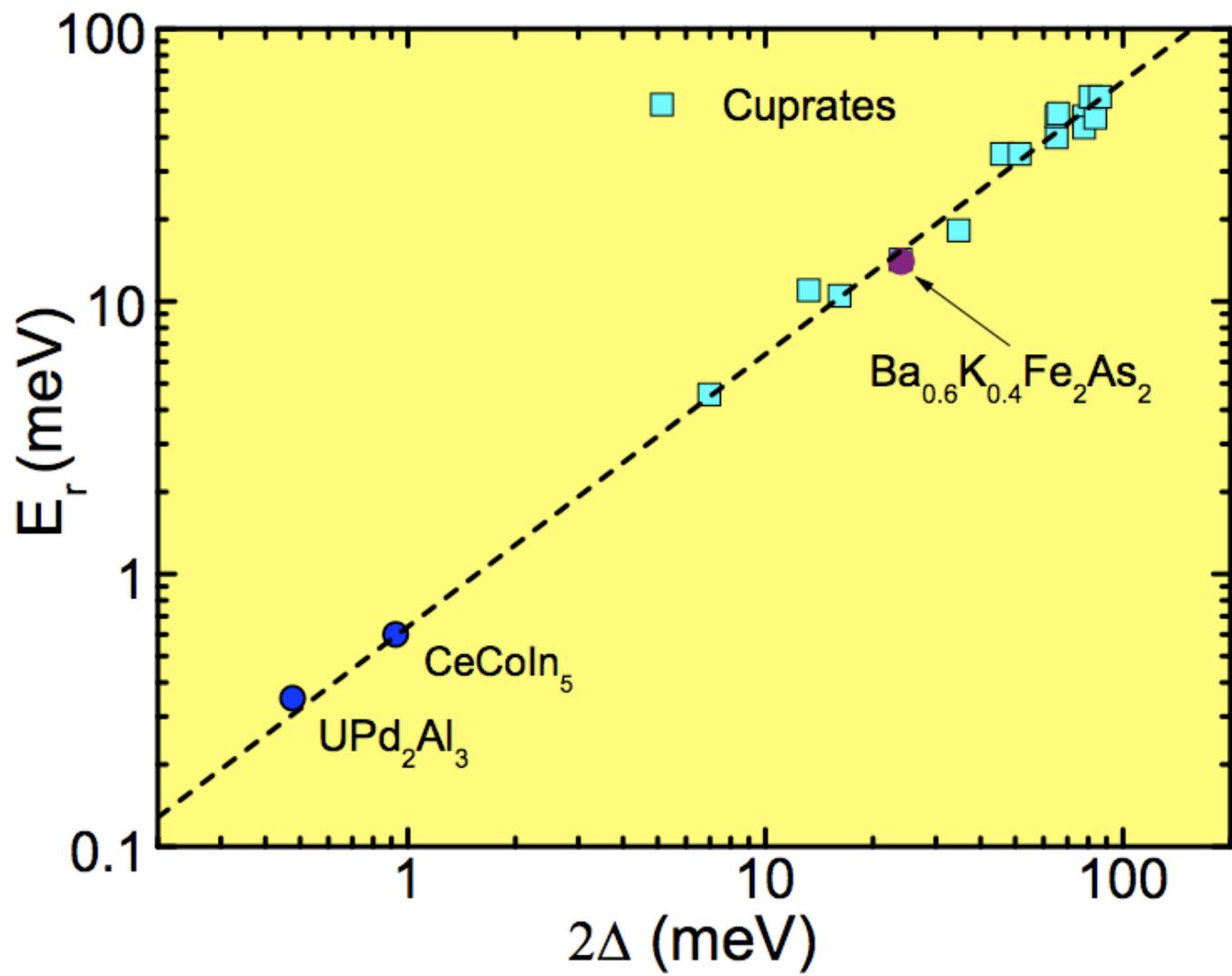
$T = 20\text{K}$



$T = 5\text{K}$



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The same electrons that are involved with superconductivity are involved with magnetism

3.The Models

The Models

Multi-orbital Hubbard Models

$$H_0 = \sum_{i,n,\sigma} \epsilon_n n_{i n \sigma} + \sum_{i,j,\sigma} \sum_{n,m} t_{ij}^{nm} d_{n\sigma}^\dagger(i) d_{m\sigma}(j)$$

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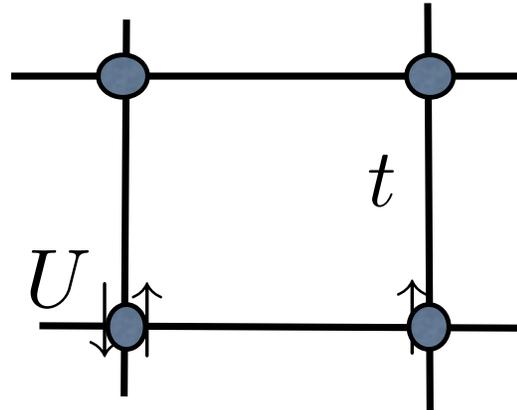
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$$H_{int} = U \sum_{in} n_{i,n\uparrow} n_{i,n\downarrow} + \frac{V}{2} \sum_{i,n,m} n_{in} n_{im} \\ - \frac{J}{2} \sum_{i,n,m} S_{in} * S_{im} + \frac{J'}{2} \sum_{i,n,m} \sum_{\sigma} d_{in\sigma}^\dagger d_{in-\sigma}^\dagger d_{im-\sigma} d_{im\sigma}$$

4. The properties of the models

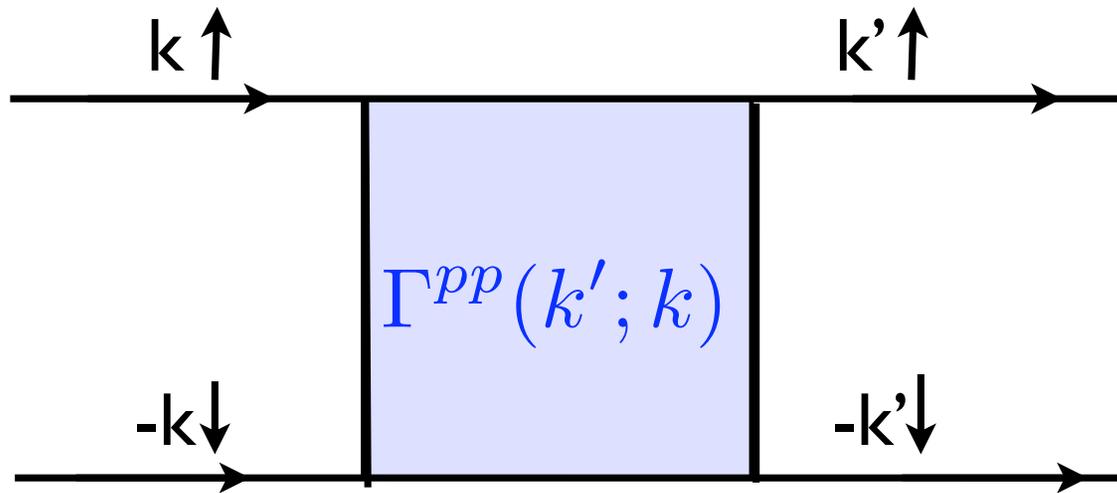
The Hubbard Model



$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} (c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma}) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

$$U/t \quad n = 1-x$$

The effective pairing interaction is given by the irreducible particle-particle vertex

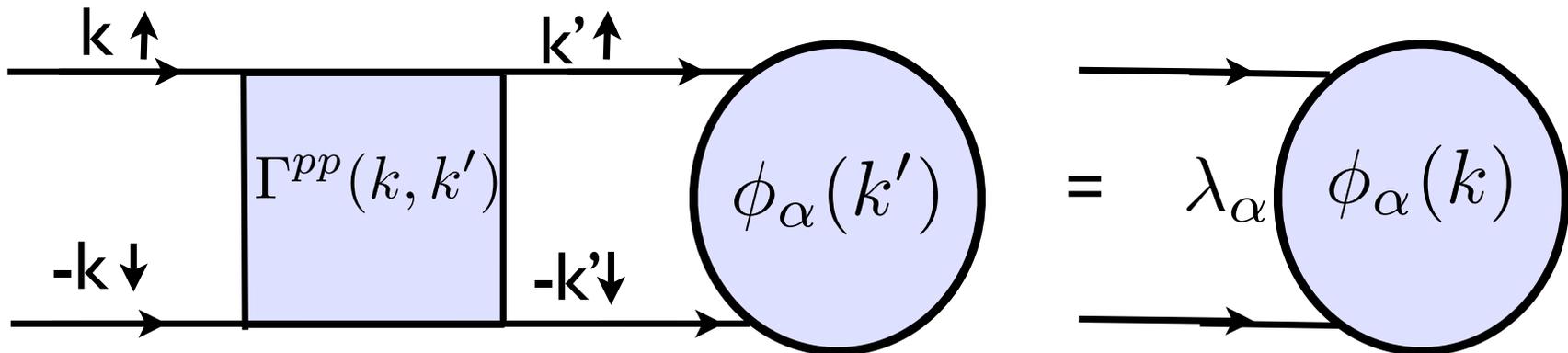


Here $k=(k, i\omega_n)$. The momentum transfer is $k'-k$ and the Matsubara energy transfer is $i\omega_{n'} - i\omega_n$.

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The d-wave pairfield susceptibility

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Magnetism

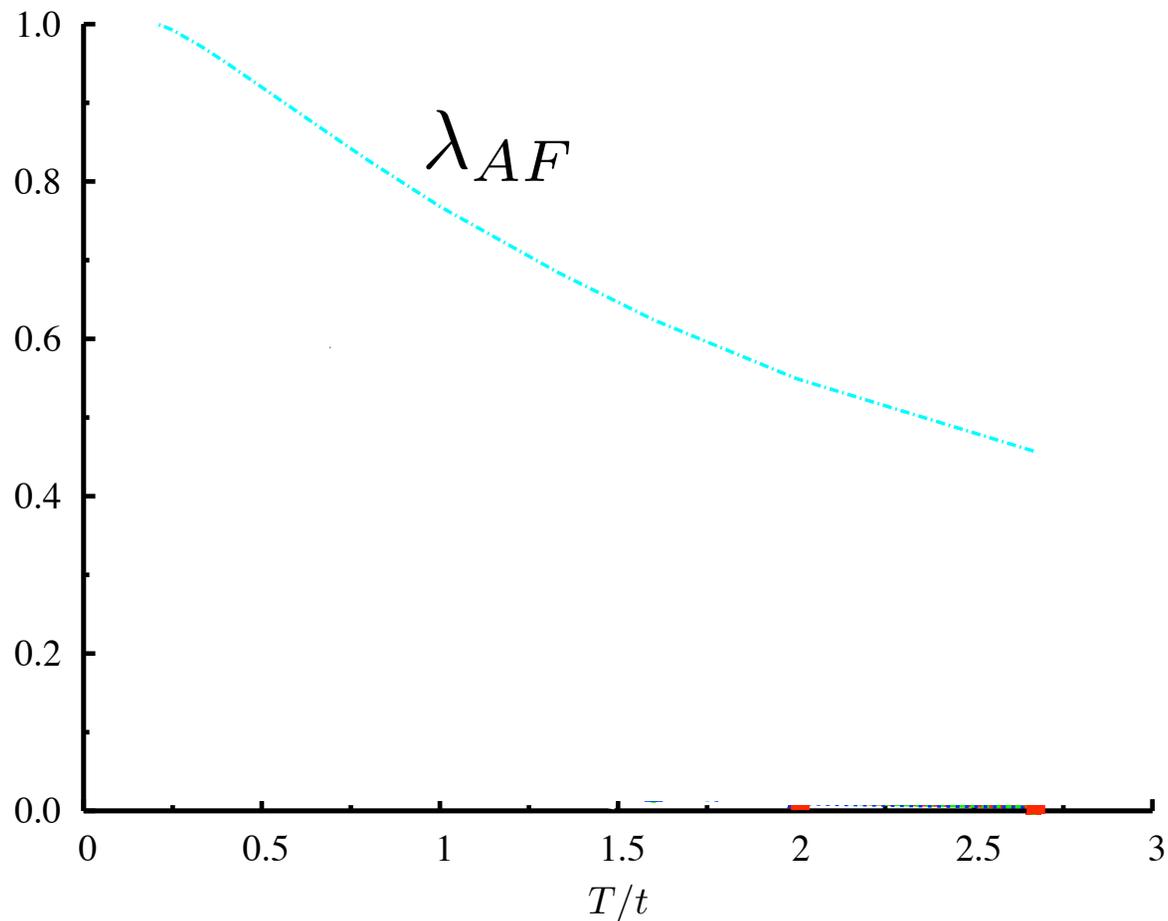
In the same way, we have for the **particle-hole** channel with center of mass momentum Q

$$-(T/N) \sum_{k'} \Gamma^{ph}(k, k') G(k' + Q) G(k') \psi_{\alpha}(k') = \lambda_{\alpha} \psi_{\alpha}(k)$$

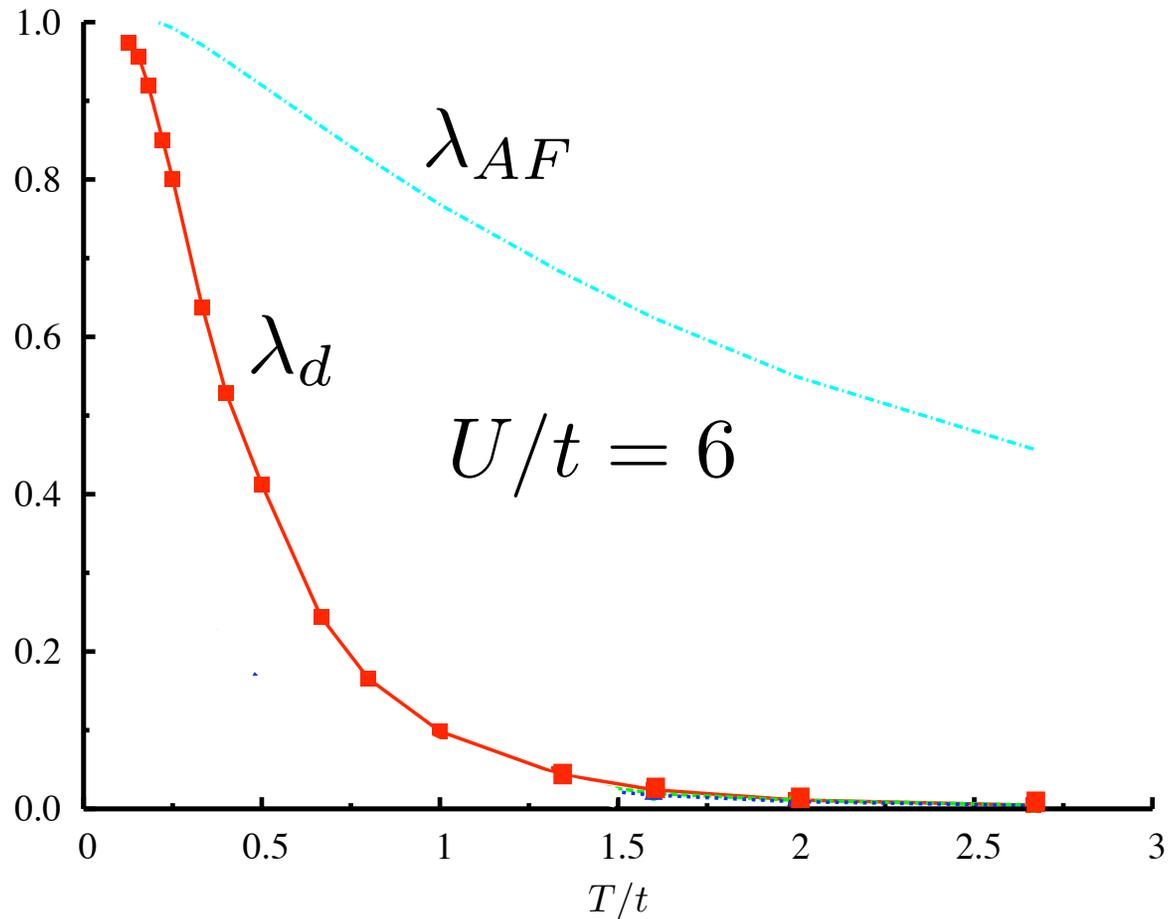
with $\Gamma^{ph}(k, k')$ the irreducible particle-hole vertex

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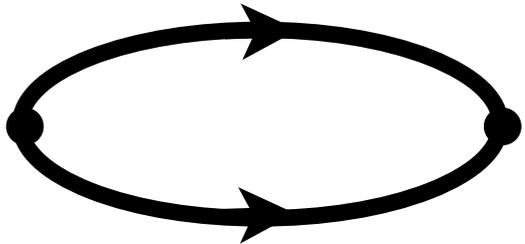
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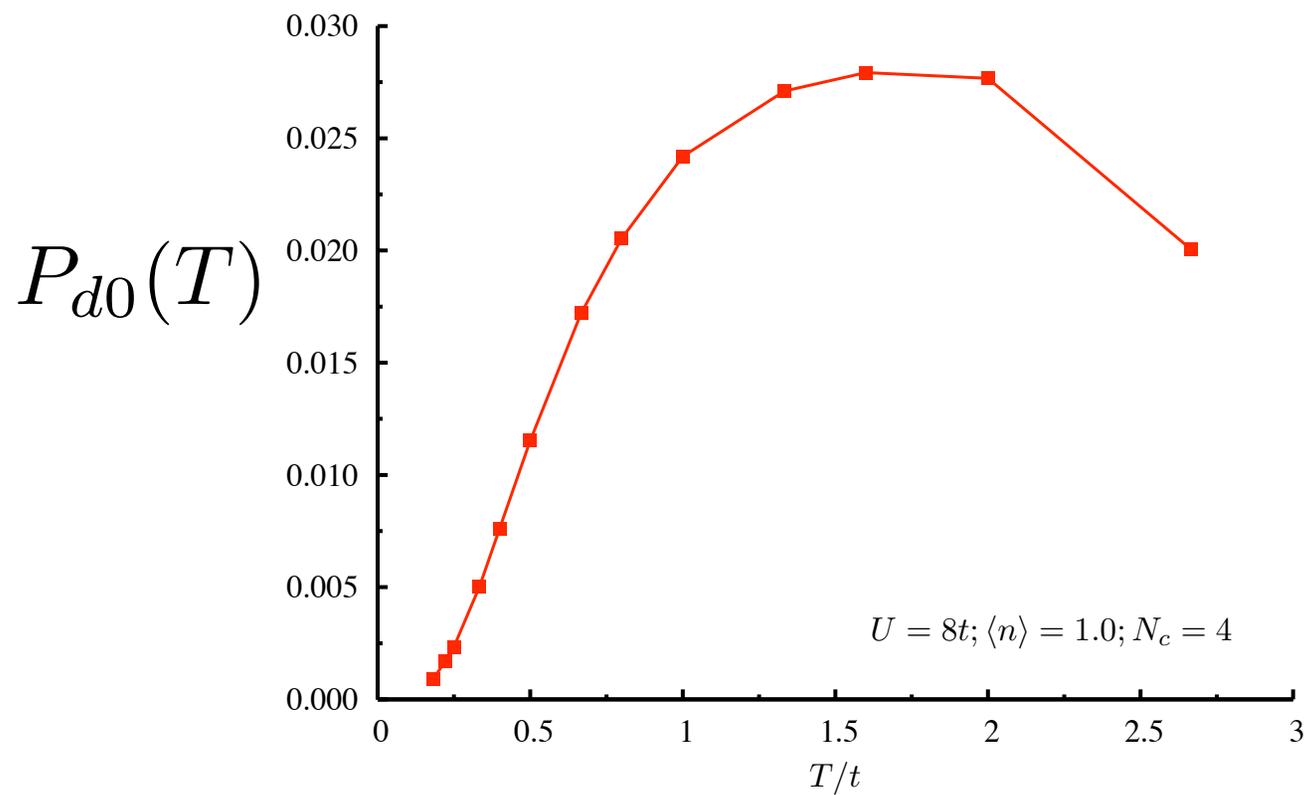


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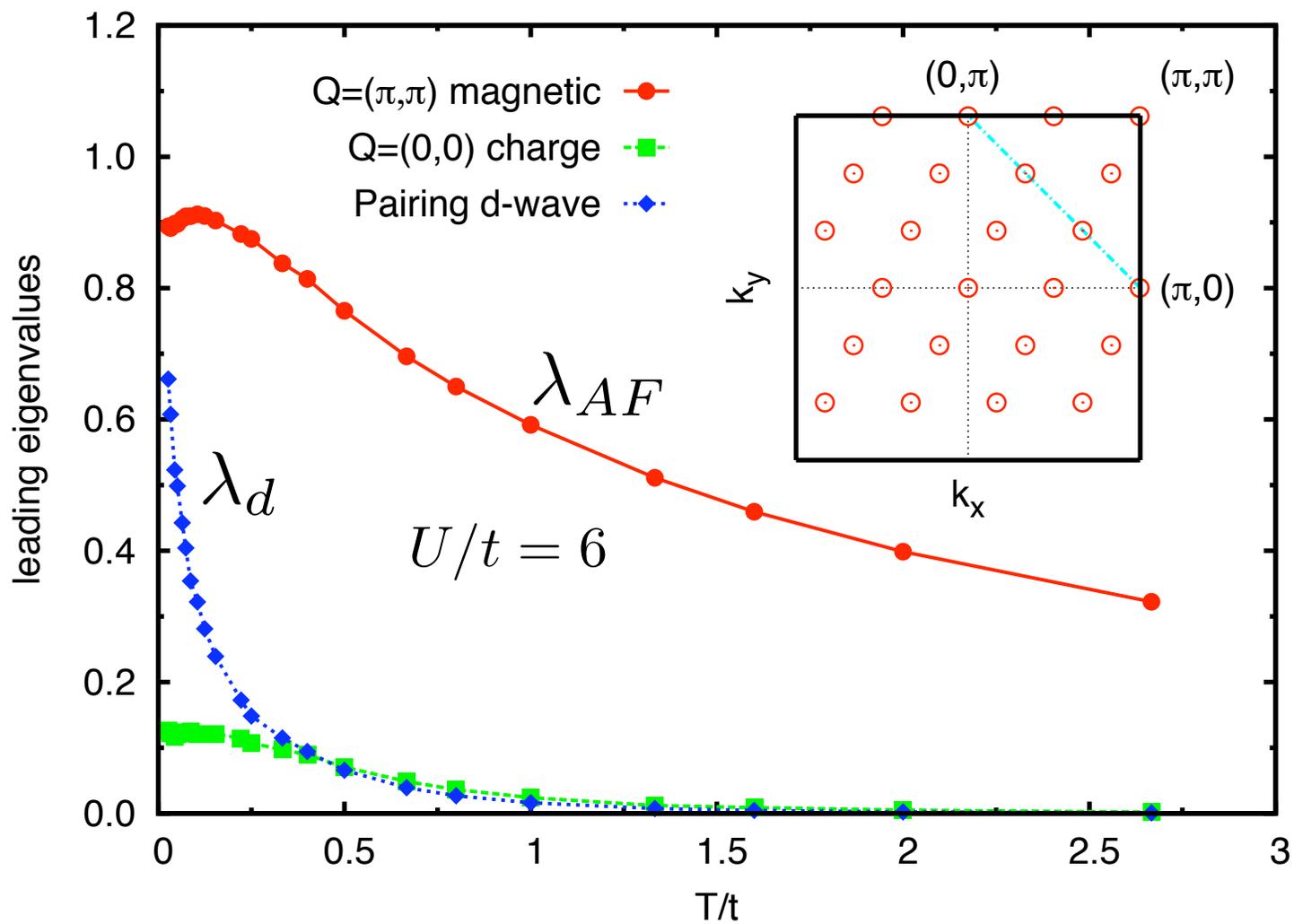


$$P_d(T) = \frac{P_{d0}(T)}{1 - \lambda_d(T)}$$

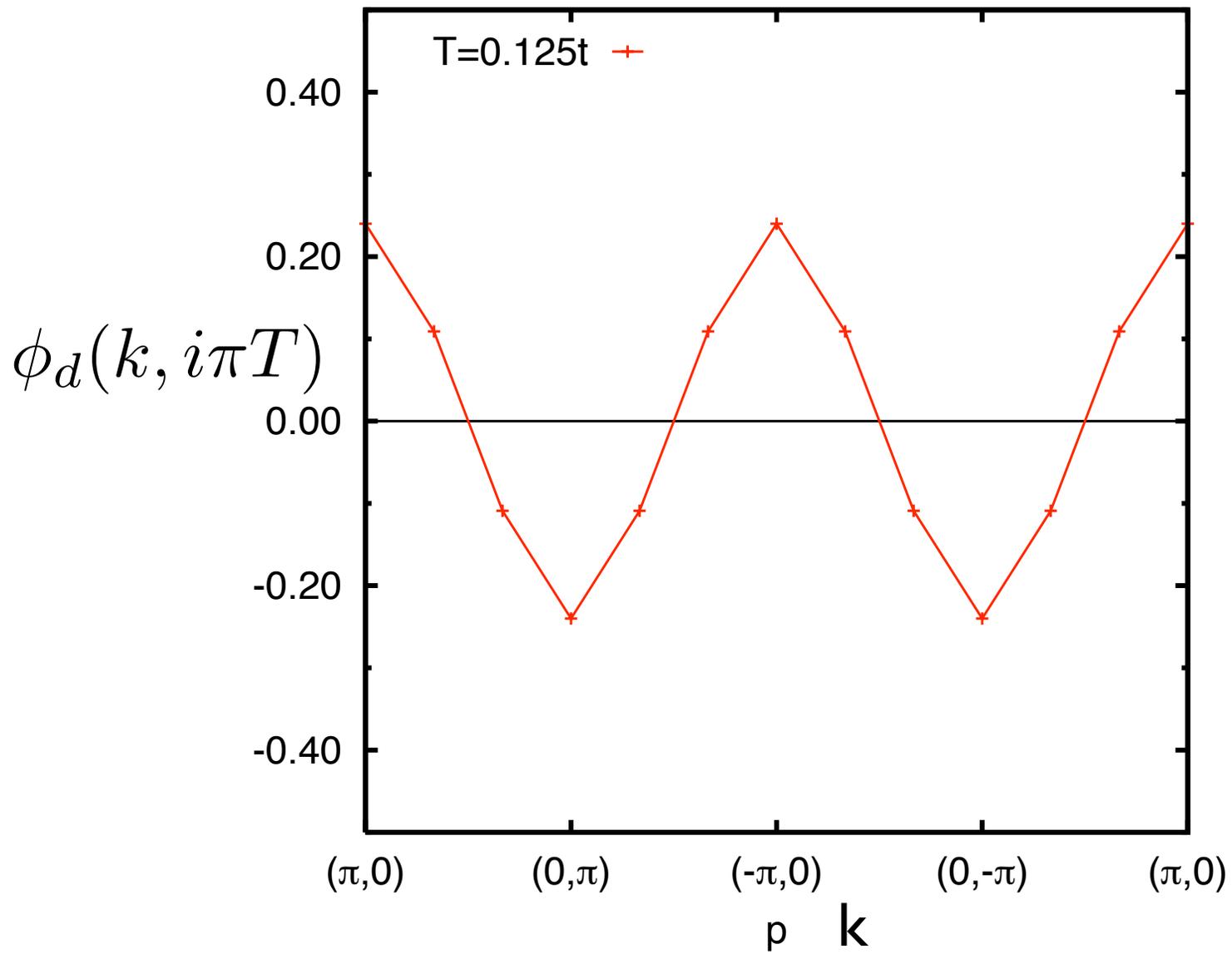
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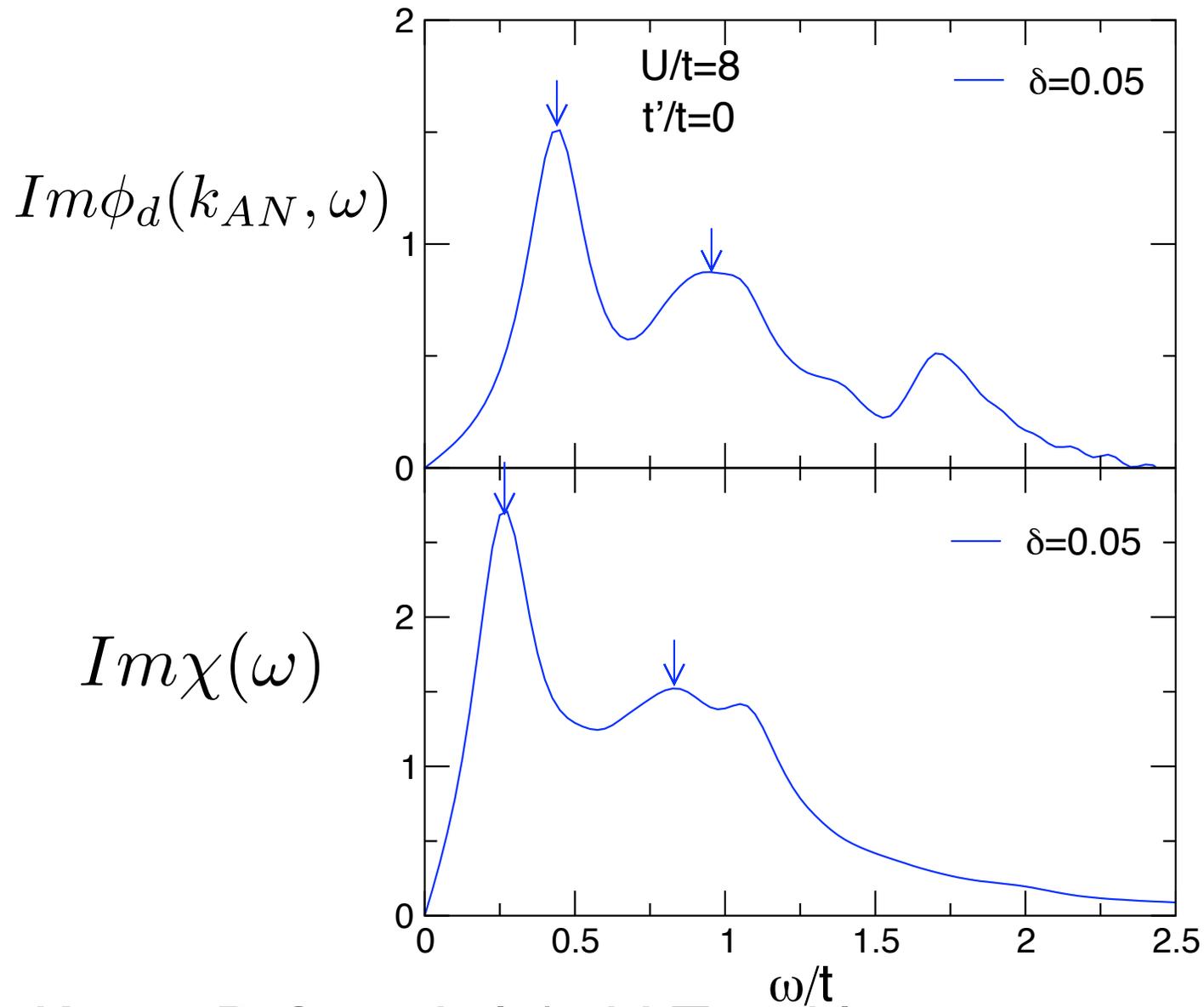


$$\langle n \rangle = 0.85$$

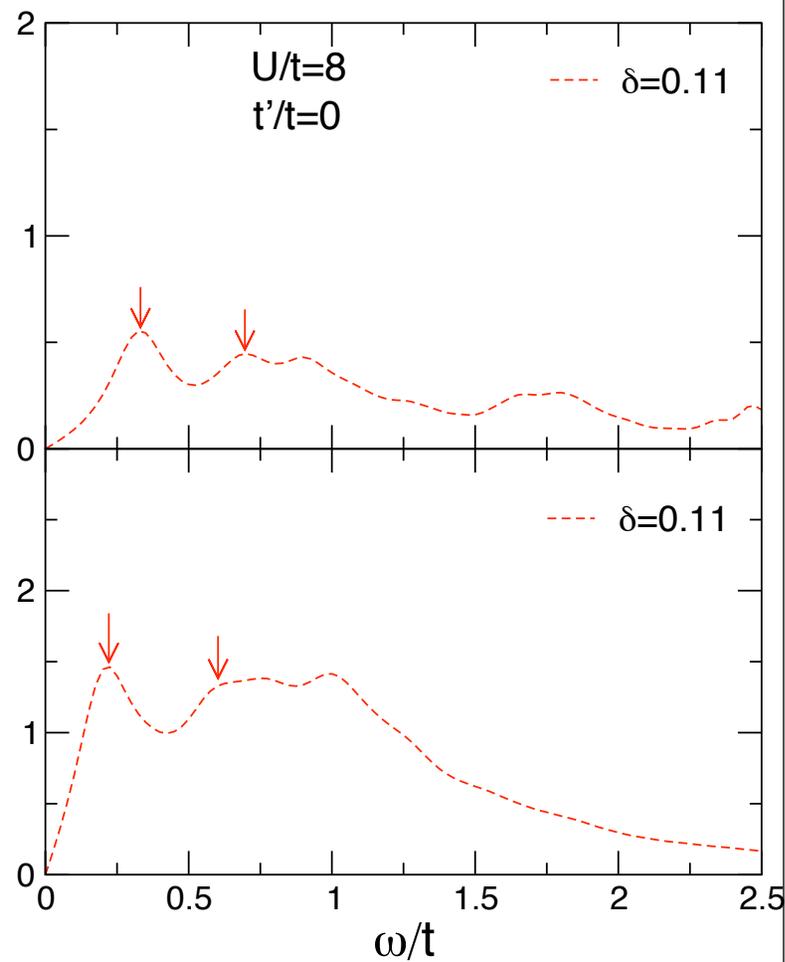
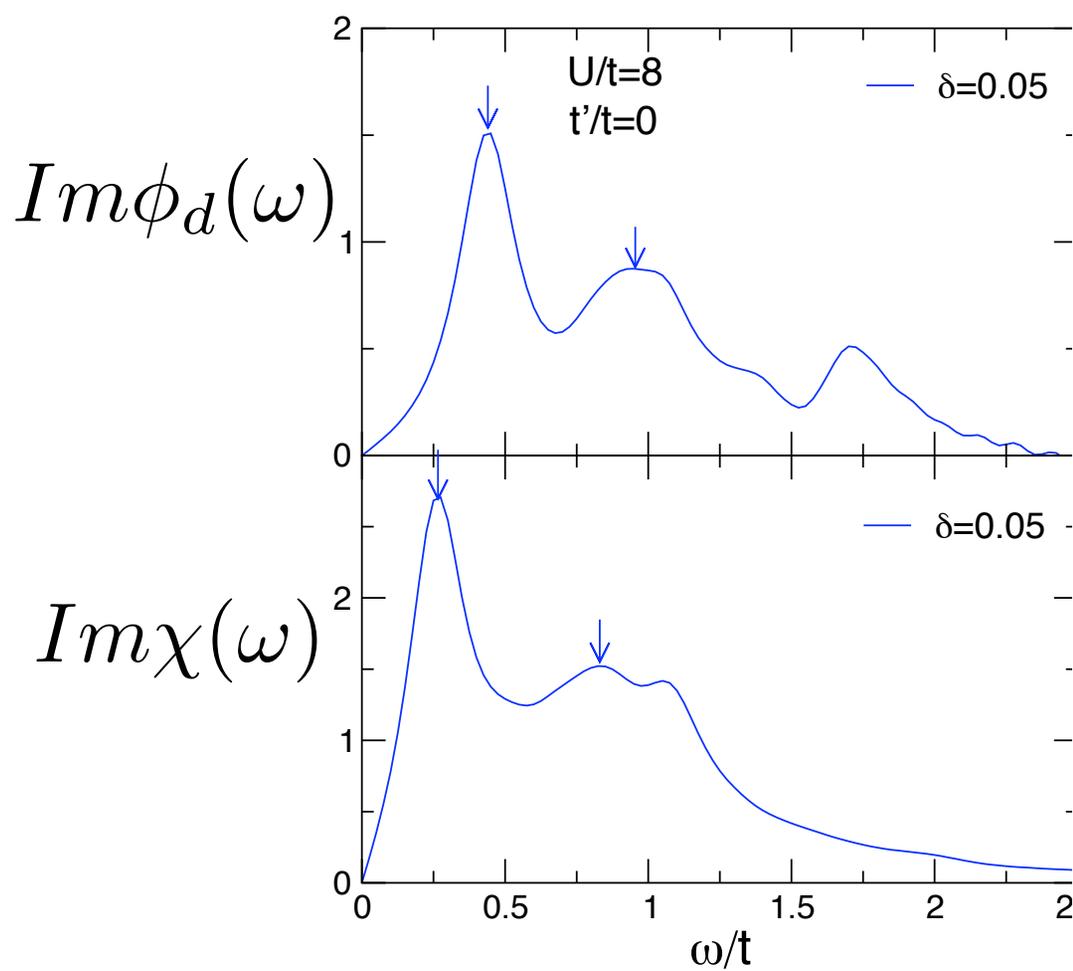


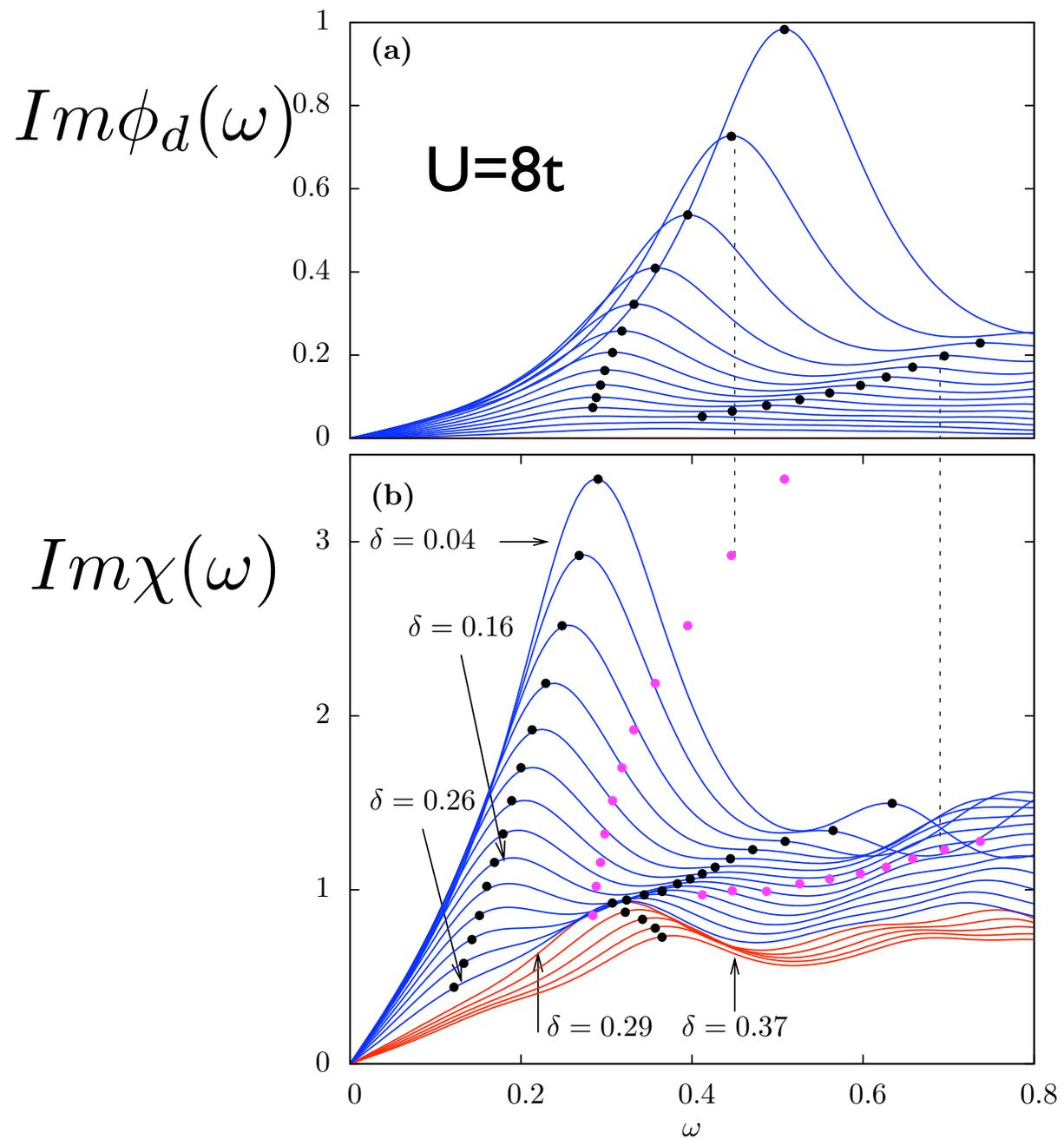
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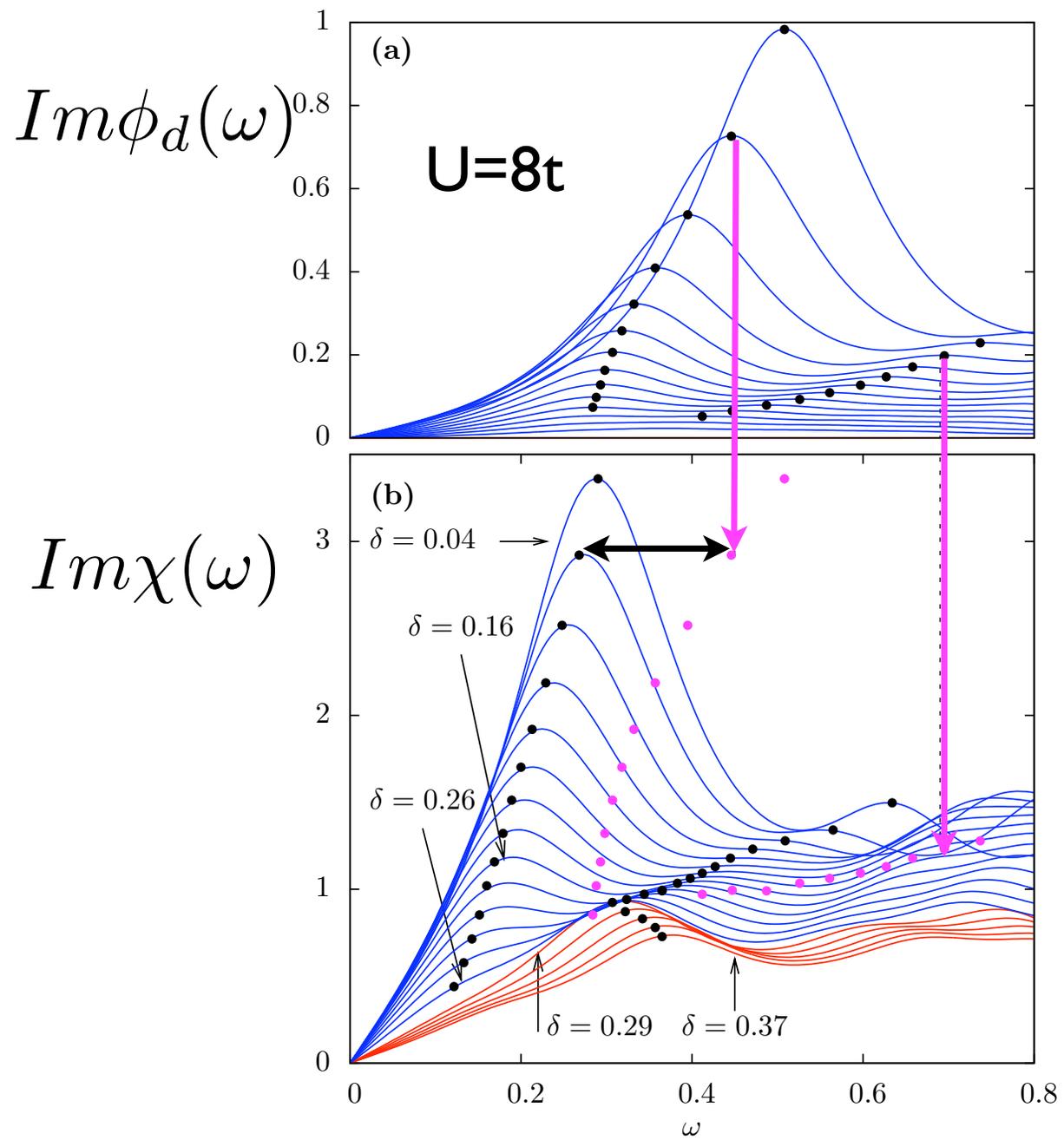




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There are many papers addressing the multi-orbital Hubbard model and the Fe superconductors

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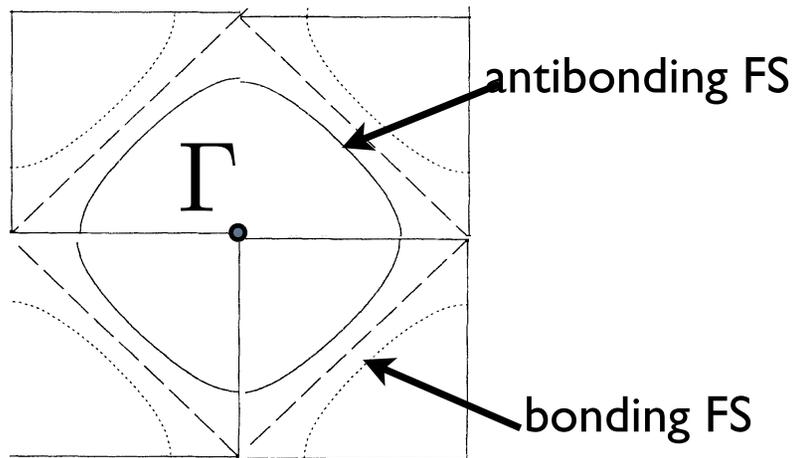
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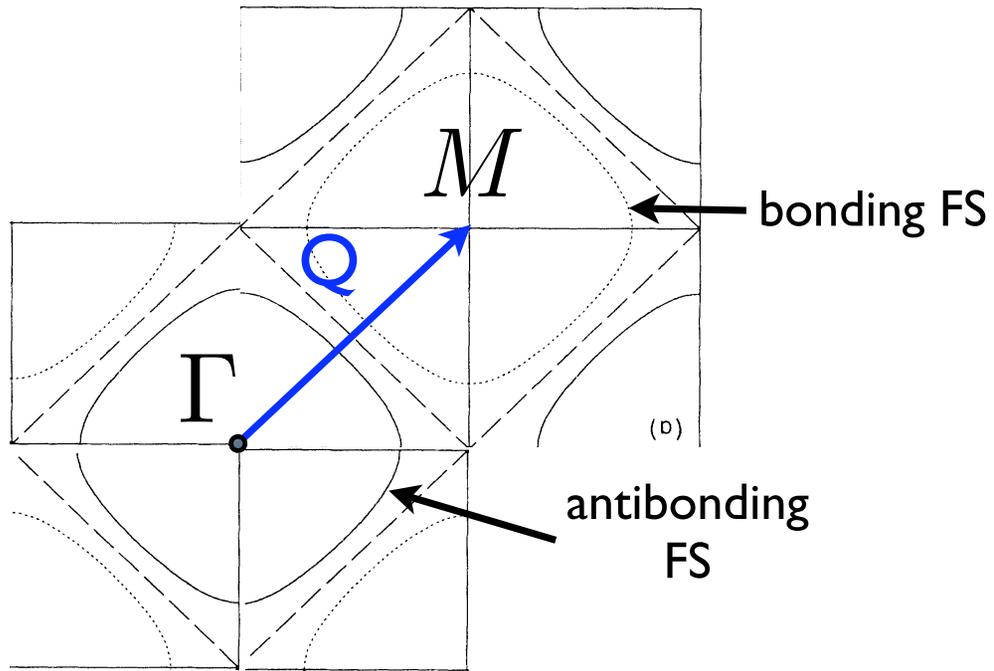
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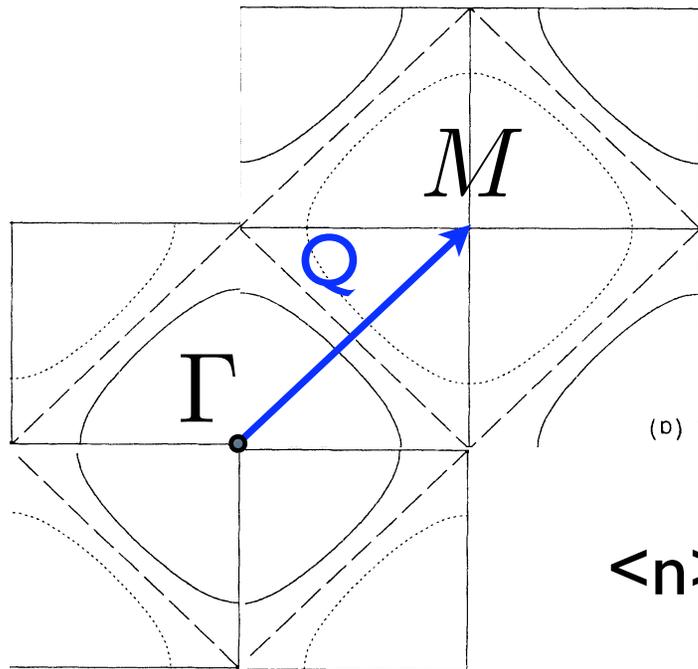
$$-t_z \sum_{i,\sigma} (d_{1\sigma}^\dagger(i) d_{2\sigma}(i) + h.c.)$$

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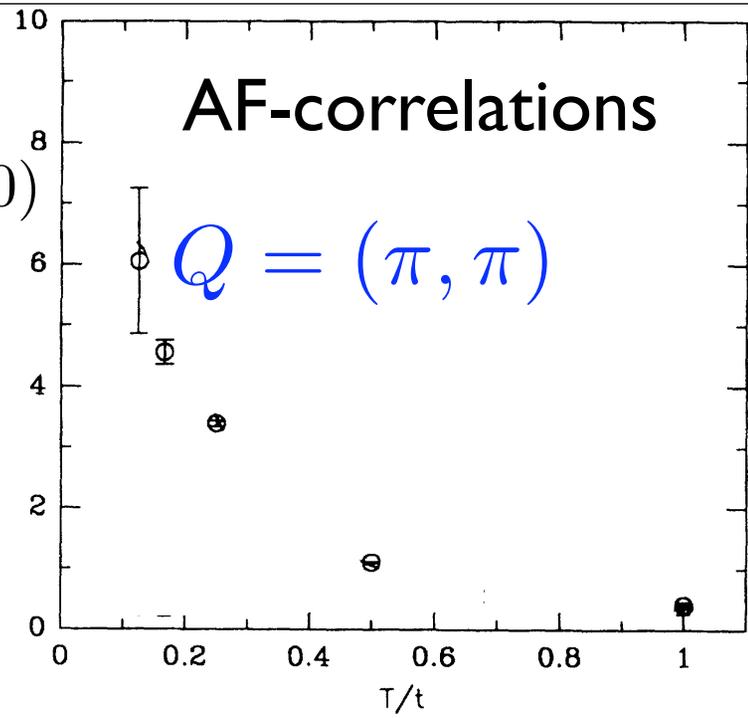


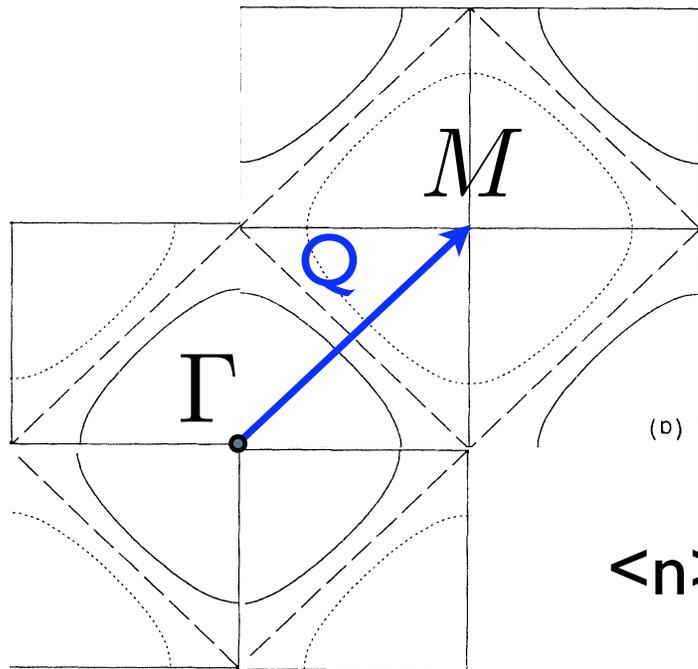




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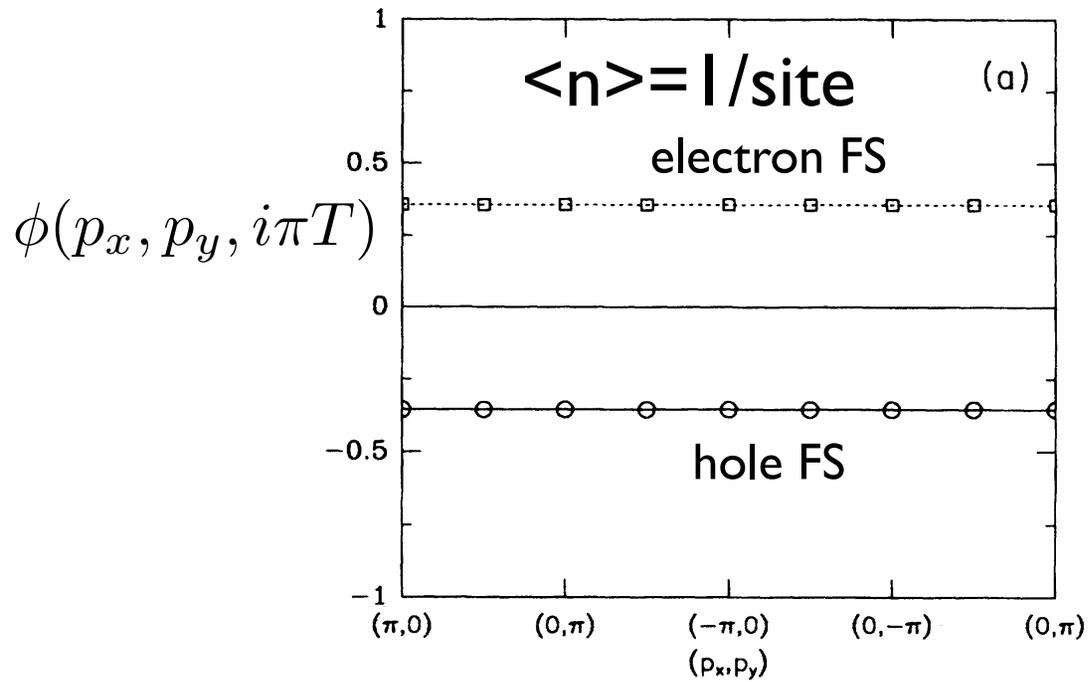
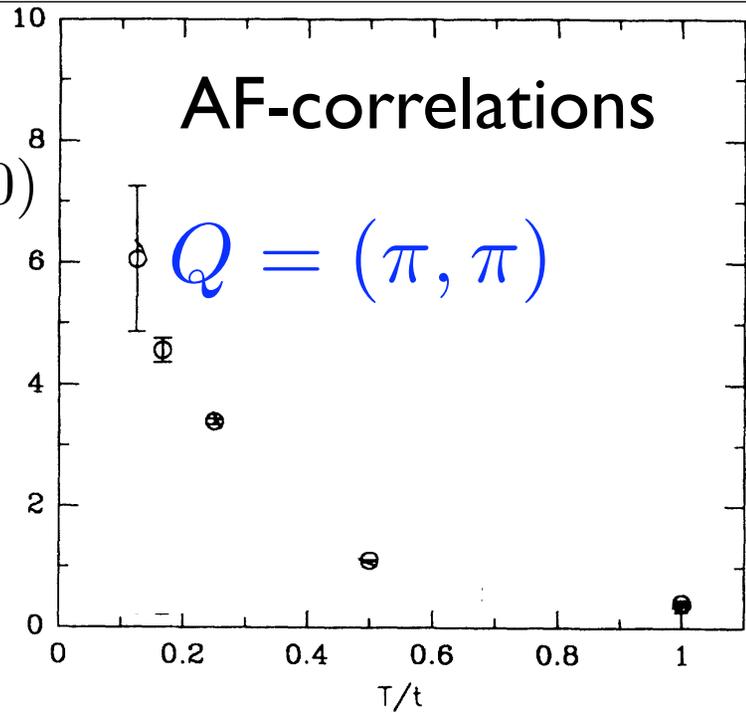
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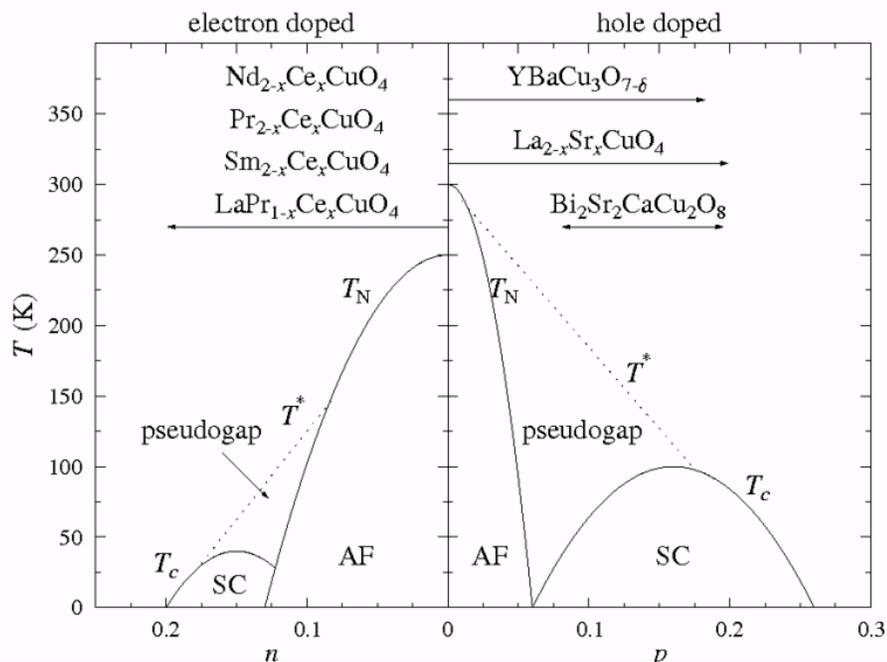
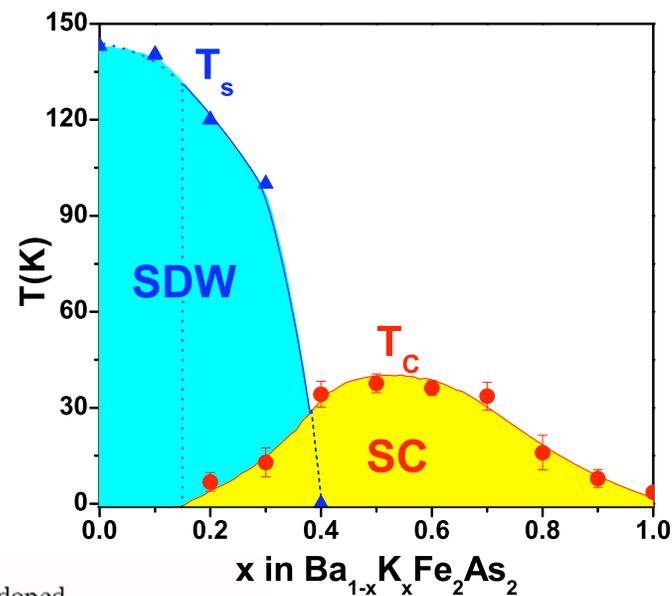
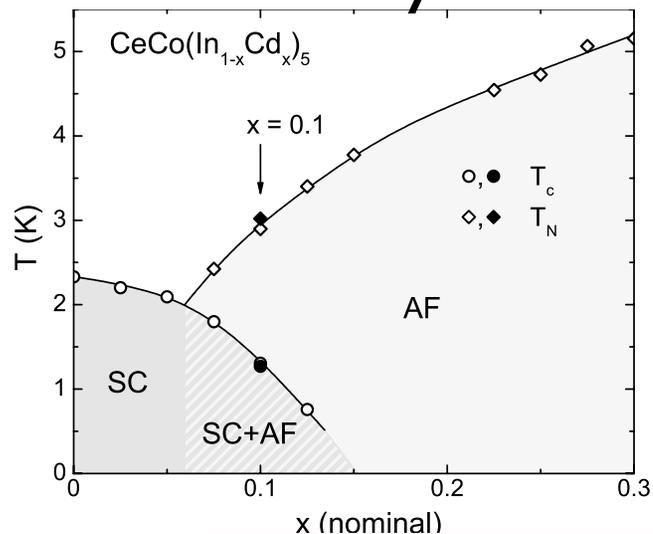
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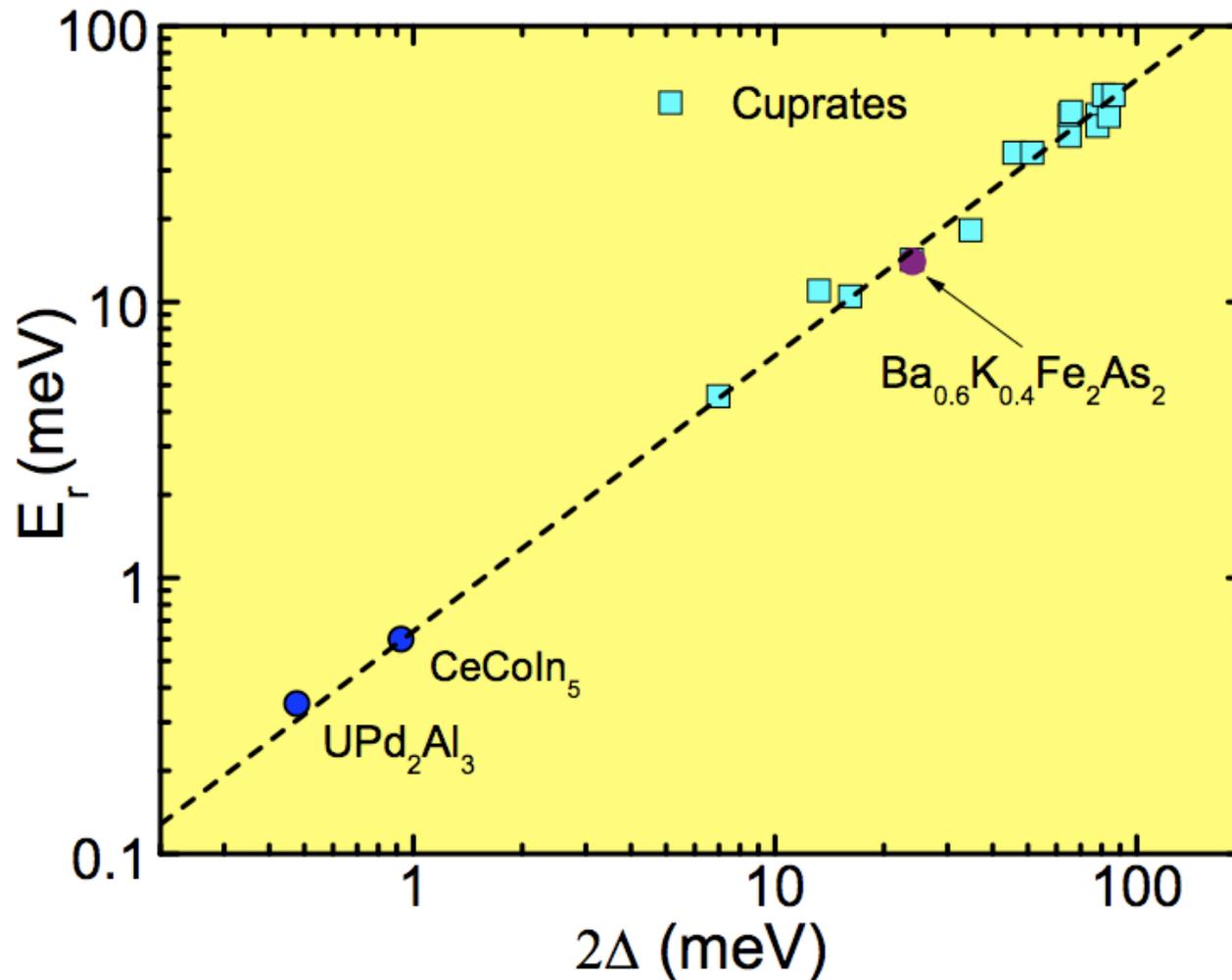
Some Common Threads

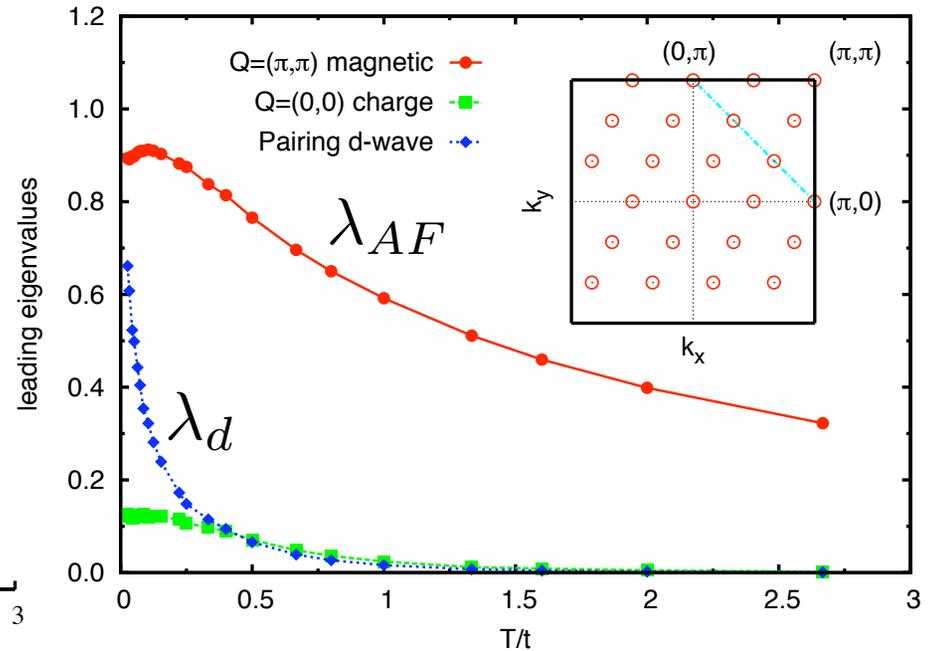
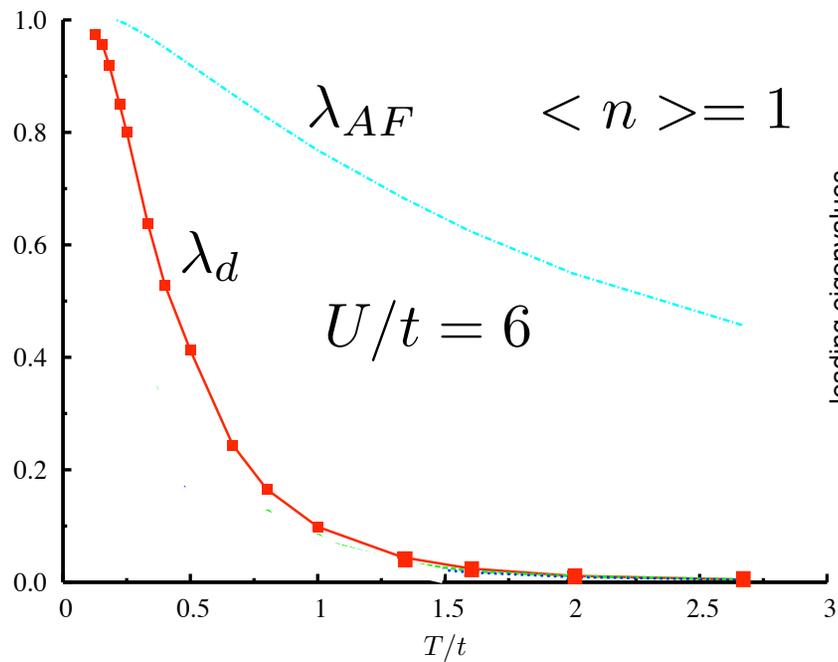
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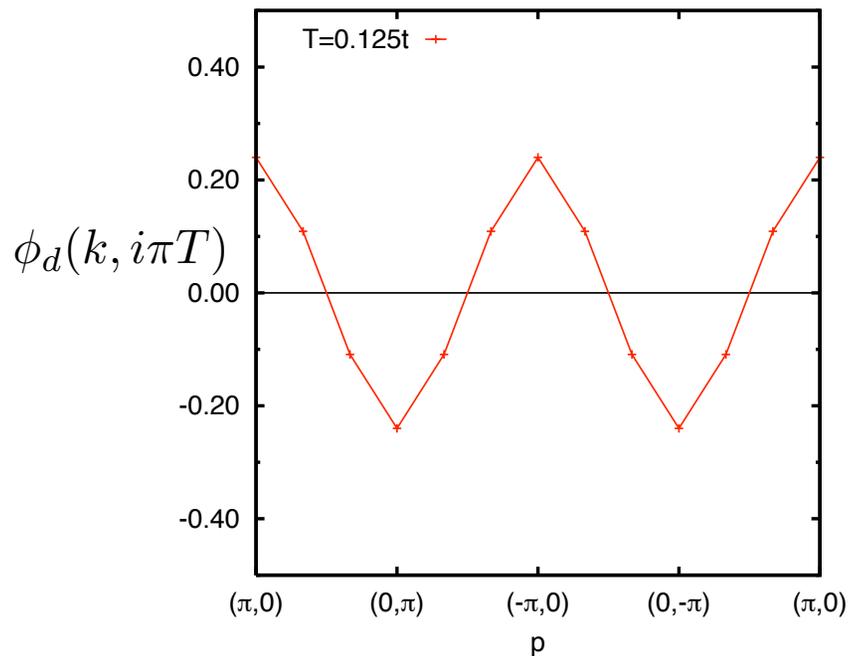


In both the materials and the models superconductivity appears when antiferromagnetism is suppressed.

In the models we see that the structure of the interaction is reflected in $\Delta(k, \omega)$

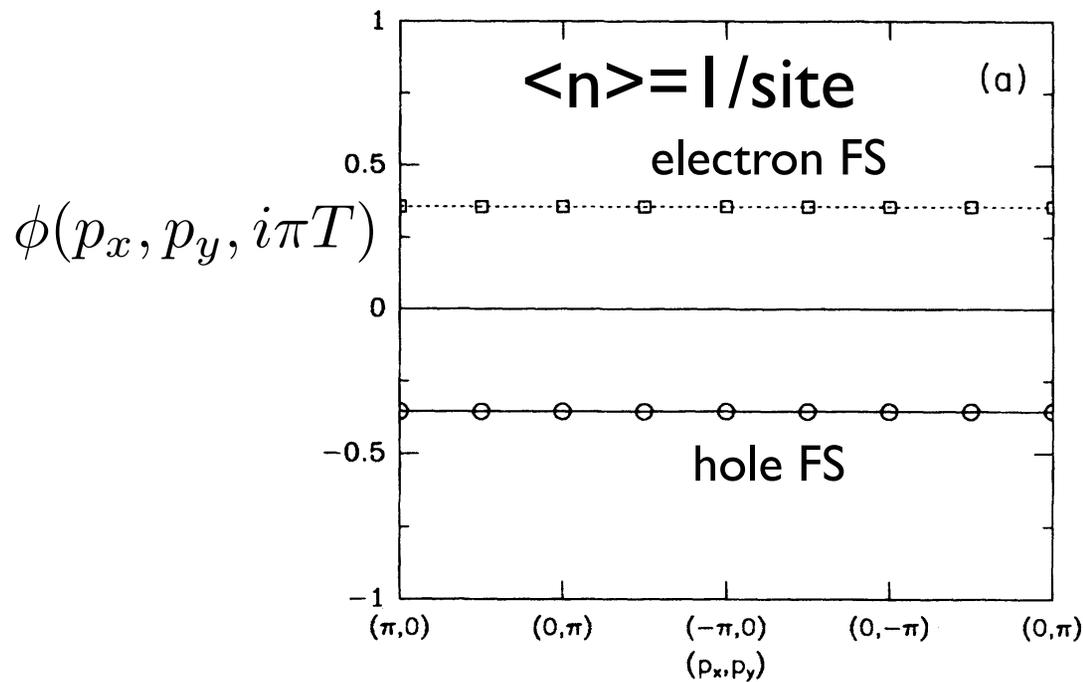
The k dependence of the gap depends upon the electronic band structure (Fermi surfaces and orbital weights).

The frequency dependence of the gap depends on the frequency dependence of the magnetic susceptibility.



Single band Hubbard

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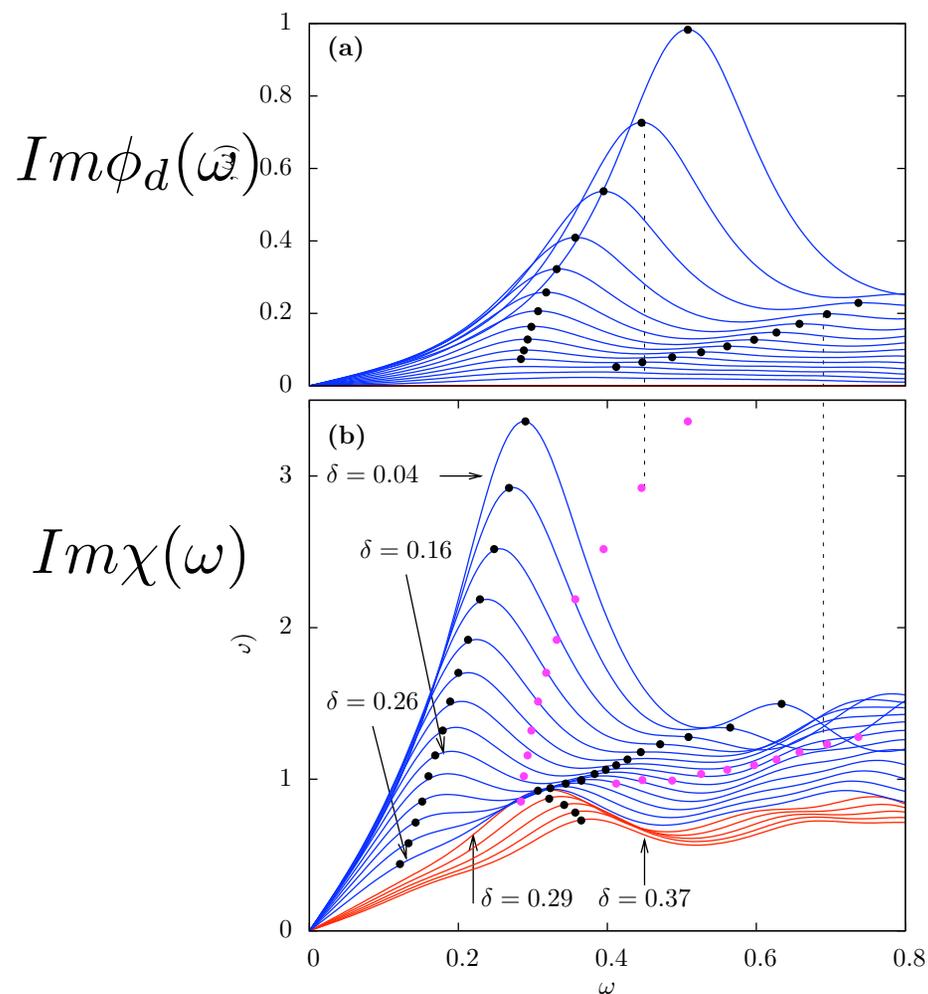


Model 2-band Hubbard

sign switched

for large t_z

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It remains to be seen how these threads will be tied together for the real materials.