# Dynamical charge and spin fluctuations: is this the glue in cuprates?

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#### What is the interaction mediator? The "glue" issue

doping a Mott insulator produces
a non-FL phase and pairing result from
•RVB (Anderson,Lee, Nagaosa, Wen)
•Stripes (Emery,Kivelson,Zaanen,..)
⇒Instantaneous interactions are more relevant (U,J,...)

#### Quantum **instability** (QCP) of the metallic phase:

Stripes - Charge ordering (Rome), q<sub>c</sub> ≈(0,±π/2), (±π/2,0)
Circulating currents (Varma), q<sub>c</sub>=0
Pomeranchuk-nematic instability (Metzner), q<sub>c</sub>=0
retarded spin waves (Chubukov,Pines,...)
due to proximity to AF-QCP, q<sub>c</sub> ≈(π,π)
⇒Crucial role of retarded critical interactions

If retarded (i.e. low-energy) modes are there the issue is: How to identify them? What is their typical wavevector related to the ordered phase?



instability

QCP X

#### A "traditional" view: spin and charge modes only



Q: what are more relevant? Spin-modes, charge-modes or both?

The nearly critical modes (charge and spin) mediate a retarded interaction

$$D(\vec{q},\omega) = -\frac{1}{m+\nu|\vec{q}-\vec{q}_c|^2 - i\omega - \frac{\omega^2}{\overline{\Omega}}}$$

For small m and  $\omega$  is strongly peaked at  $q_{\rm c}$ 

 $m \sim \xi^{-2}$  depends on proximity to the "missed instability"



# Can we identify the relevant collective modes with Raman?



Nearly critical modes  $q_c \approx \left(\pm \frac{\pi}{2}, 0\right), \left(0, \pm \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  strongly couple hot regions of the FS

In Raman spectroscopy one can select the probed k-space



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#### What can we learn from the whole spectra?



Different shapes in the two channels below ~4000 cm<sup>-1</sup>: Just fermiology or different scattering mechanisms?

# Symmetry arguments for the leading contribution to $\chi''$ B<sub>1g</sub>: $\gamma_k = \cos(k_x) - \cos(k_y)$





The two diagrams cancel at leading order (like transport with scattering at q~0)





The two diagrams add at leading order (like transport with scattering at  $q\sim 2k_F$ )

Not just a sketch: realistic  $q_c$ ,  $q_s$  and Fermi surfaces are used

Similar arguments hold in the  $B_{2q}$  channel

At leading order (i.e. critical mode, low energy, linearized bands, vertices evaluated at  $E_{F...}$ )

	SPIN	CHARGE
B <sub>1g</sub>	ALLOWED	FORBIDDEN
B <sub>2g</sub>	FORBIDDEN	ALLOWED

This suggests that different  $B_{1g}$  and  $B_{2g}$  spectra are due to different modes

Of course at large energies (say above  $1000-2000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and far from criticality the "forbidden" modes come in and the spectra become equal in the two channels

# Fitting the LSCO spectra

T~100 K

Caprara et al. PRB 2011



### Temperature dependence



Weak T dependence: m(T) compensates bose factor effects

and spin fluts.

m



#### How the CM's couple to the quasiparticles?





- •The spin glue decreases with doping
- •The charge glue increases with doping
- •All charge glue functs. are centered at phononic energies (~500 cm<sup>-1</sup>), but have larger weights at low T because of the CO instability which softens the phonon around  $q_c$

### How do we compare with optics?



### In optics no "selection rules": both modes contribute



Van Heumen et al., PRB 2009 and arXiv:0807.1730 Bi-2212 different from LSCO?

## ARPES



Bok et al. PRB 2010

Again two features in  $\alpha^2 F$ : A peak at phonon-like energies and a broad continuum

How do we account for the prominent experimental features in ARPES, kinks and waterfalls? We now know that both spins and charge modes are present and we know the major characteristics of the modes...

### **KINKS**

Old idea: collective modes give kinks in electronic dispersion

Engelsberg, Schrieffer PRB 63 (phonons);

Eschrig, Norman, PRL 2000 (spin modes)

Seibold, MG, PRB 2001 (charge modes)



Now we use the input from Raman expts for parameters of spin and charge CM



Theoretical dispersion with charge and spin describe well expts.



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-50

x=0.15 x=0.13 x=0.17 x=0.20 x=0.25 x=0.26

## WATERFALLS





Waterfalls in LSCO at x=0.17 Chang et al PRB 2007



#### G. Mazza et al., in preparation





# Conclusions

Raman experiments can be a powerful tool to detect scattering mechanisms which are large at finite wave-vectors:

•In optimally-overdoped LSCO the spin gle decreases with doping (but is still strong at x=0.15), the charge glue increases with doping. Who is the main character of this comedy? Open question...

•The spin+charge physics also seens to account for

Optics



6 0.04 *k-k*: (A-1)

ARPES



and waterfalls





•Two modes are present (agrees with van Heumen et al. PRB 2009)

•The phonon-CO mode has some T dependence (doesn't agrees with van Heumen et al.)

•The phonon-CO mode does not disappear in overdoped LSCO (different with respect to BSCCO? What happens at even larger dopings?



# Important qualitative feature:

The T dependence of  $1/\tau$  at high  $\omega$  increases with x T-independent mode and couplings wouldn't produce it



# High doping



Char



## 2D toy model with $qc=(\pi,0)$



#### Ordered and disordered eggbox (checkerboard)







#### Seibold et al., EPJ B 2000

#### G. Seibold, M.G., and J. Lorenzana, PRL 2009



FIG. 2 (color online). LDOS for the model with (a) static CDW scattering  $(\Delta_2^0 - \Delta_1^0 = 0.054 \text{ eV})$  and (b) frequency dependent CDW scattering. The upper insets depict the modulations of  $\Delta_{\mathbf{r}}^0$  (a) and  $v_{\mathbf{r}}^2$  (b) in the unit cell. Further parameters: chemical potential  $\mu = -0.23 \text{ eV}$ , (doping  $x \approx 0.07$ ),  $\Gamma = 1 \text{ meV}$ , and  $\Omega = 1 \text{ eV}$ .



FIG. 3 (color online). Fourier-transformed LDOS at the CDW scattering vector,  $\mathbf{Q} = \frac{2\pi}{4}$ . (a) Static CDW scattering with  $\Delta_2^0 - \Delta_1^0 = 0.054 \text{ eV}$ , (b) frequency dependent CDW scattering. The phase has been chosen such that  $\text{Im}N_{\mathbf{Q}}(\omega) = 0$ . Lower insets: LDOS at  $\omega = +5 \text{ meV}$  (squares) and  $\omega = -5 \text{ meV}$  (circles). Further parameters as in Fig. 2.

Understanding the effective interaction can shed light on the state: The "GLUE" issue

In particular, if retarded (i.e. low-energy) modes are present (point of view n.2), the issues are: How to identify them? How do they look like? Can one determine the broken-symmetry phase?

#### e.g.

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- •Circulating currents  $\Rightarrow$  q<sub>c</sub>=O instability (C. M. Varma, since '94 on)
- •AF spin waves  $\Rightarrow q_c \approx (\pi, \pi)$  (A. Chubukov, D. Pines, ...)
- Pomeranchuk instability  $\Rightarrow$  q<sub>c</sub>=0 instability (W. Metzner)
- •Charge Ordering  $q_{c} \approx (0, \pm \pi/2)$ ,  $(\pm \pi/2, 0)$  (Rome, since 94+ $\varepsilon$ )

#### Hot and cold spots

Strongly k-dependent interaction mediated by Charge (but also spin) modes: clear distinction between hot and cold regions on the Fermi surface



**Theory:** Castellani et al PRL'95; Perali et al, PRB '96;....

#### Experiments:

...nodal and antinodal QPs behave very differently.....low energy scattering which operates primarily on antinodal QP... this may be associated with QP scattering across the nearly parallel segments of the FS near the antinodes ARPES ex. in LASCO. Zhou et al. PRL 04 Vershinin et al Scince '04 Shen et al Science 05

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Cuprates are anomalous metals (p~T, pseudogap,...)

Where all these anomalies come from?

Point of view n. 1:



Mottness is crucial ⇒Instantaneous interactions (U,J,...) ρ~T pseudogap AF SC ×

QCP × Proximity to instability QCP people: C.M. Varma, Rome, Chubukov, Pines,... anomalies come from lots of quantum fluctuations ⇒Retarded critical interactions

Point of view n. 2:

# How different modes generate different spectra?



Large  $\overline{\Omega} \Rightarrow$  more diffusive mode Small  $\overline{\Omega} \Rightarrow$  less diffusive mode m rules the amount of scattering at low energy....

Changing the mode (more or less diffusive,  $\overline{\Omega}$  ,mass m,...) one changes the shape of spectra

Notice: more propagating modes may even have a Marginal-FL (flattish) form with initial slope ~1/m~T

# Dynamic character of CO <u>may</u> make it elusive

but not so much by now, cf. Z-X Shen talk..... An old example from ARPES

e.g. Nd-LSCO at x=0.15:



X.J. Zhou et al. PRL 2001

Large FS from low energy spectral weight only

Crossed FS (typical stripe signature) integrating SW up to 300 meV

STM

Non-dispersive Textured electronic Structure at higher energy >  $\Delta_0$ 

Kohsaka et al., Nat.2008





CO with dynamical order parameter Seibold et al. PRL 2009

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{r}}^{\text{CDW}}(\omega) = \Delta_{\mathbf{r}}(\omega) \equiv \Delta_{\mathbf{r}}^{0} + v_{\mathbf{r}}^{2}f(\omega).$$
  
Even when this is zero. CO can be static and lona-range

We assume MFL dynamics  $f(\omega) = 2\omega \ln \frac{\Gamma + i\omega}{\Omega}$ vanishing at  $\omega = 0$ 



Static CO has shadow features Dyn. CO has no shadow features



 $+ i\pi\Gamma$ 

# Conclusions 1/2

•Dynamical character of CO can account for the lack of shadow FS, uniformity of low-energy QP states, ...

 Violation of p-h symmetry in the spectra at moderate energy can be a signature of CO. What happens at low energy? Where are the shadow bands?
 CO may appear or not....Help needed from expts.



We aim to reproduce the (gross) features of the spectra with scattering due to charge and spin CM's



B<sub>1g</sub> or B<sub>2g</sub> Raman vertices

The CM's characterize the spectra via:

-a spectral "glue" function  $\alpha^2 F(\omega)$  depending on m(T),  $\overline{\Omega}$ 

-T dependence from Bose function

#### The dynamics of the "glue" is a crucial issue

Understanding the dynamics of the effective interactions would shed light on

• Pairing mechanism

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- Competing phase (if any) (e.g., q<sub>c</sub> ~(π,π) -> spin, q<sub>c</sub> ~(π/2,0) -> ch. Order, q<sub>c</sub> ~0 -> circulating currents or Pomeranchuk, ...)
- why the order is so elusive