

Title: Metal-Insulator Transitions by Holography

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Abstract: <p>Recent progress on the construction of holographic lattices and its applications to AdS/CMT correspondence will be briefly reviewed. Our special interests will focus on the building of bulk geometry of gravity whose holographic duals exhibit metal-insulator transitions (MIT). In particular, the Peierls phase transition induced by charge density waves is implemented in a holographic manner. The holographic entanglement entropy close to quantum critical points will be discussed as well.</p>

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Outlines

- I. Linking holographic gravity to condensed matter theory
 - Preliminary: building holographic lattices in gravity
- II. Metal-insulator transition by holography
 - Scalar lattice and Peierls phase transition (CDW)
 - Q-lattice and novel MIT
 - HEE close to quantum phase transitions
 - Towards a holographic Mott-like insulator



Part I

Linking holographic gravity to condensed matter theory

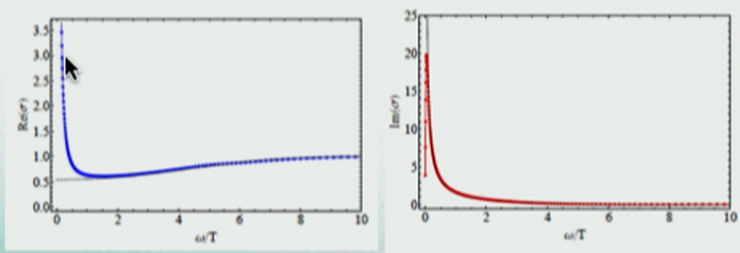
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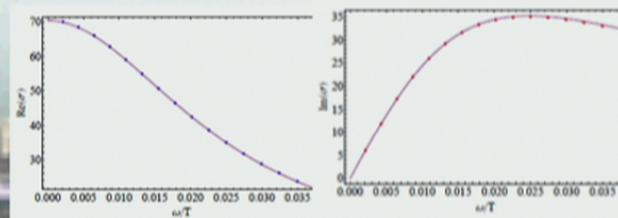
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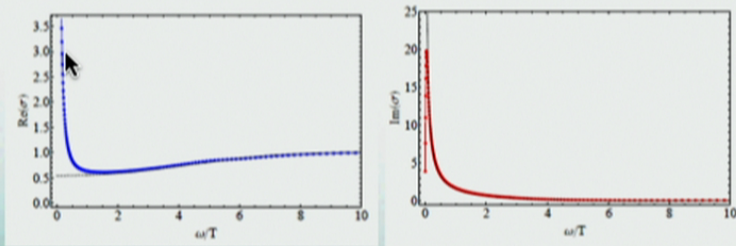
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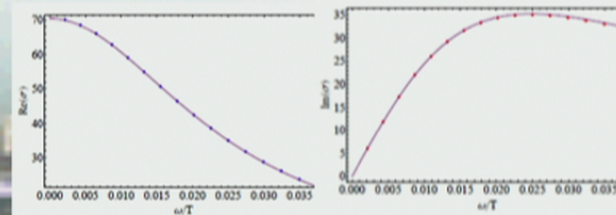
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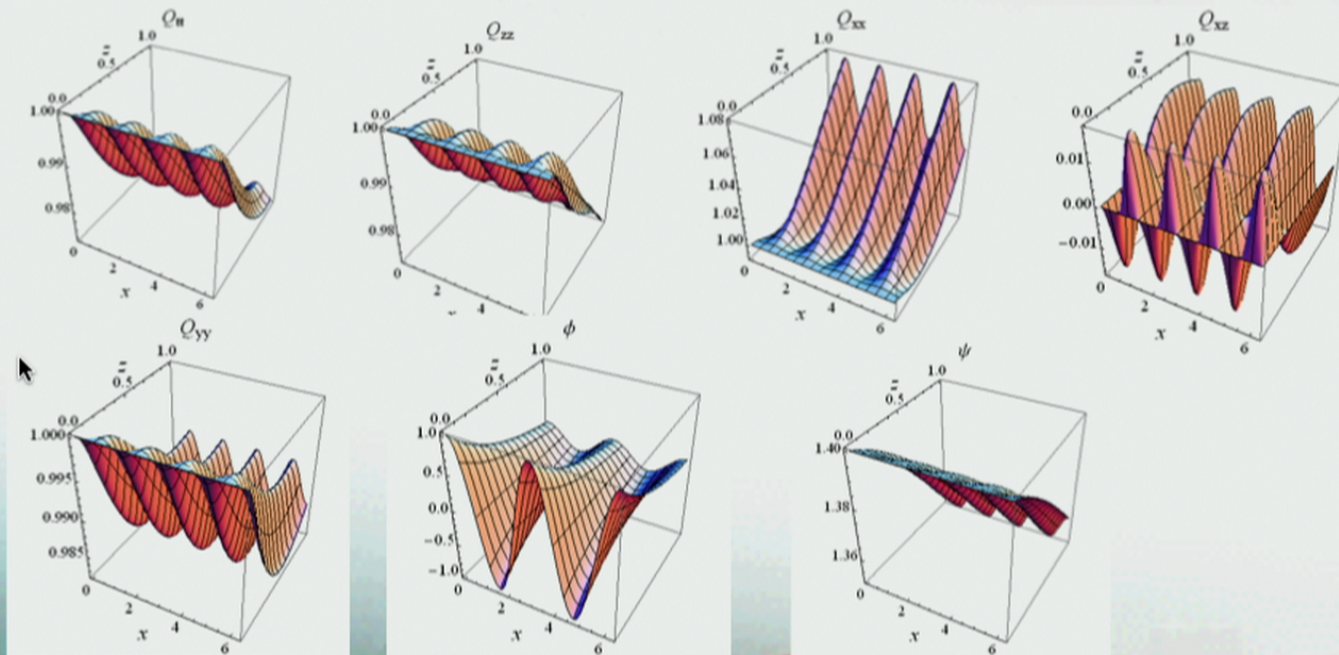
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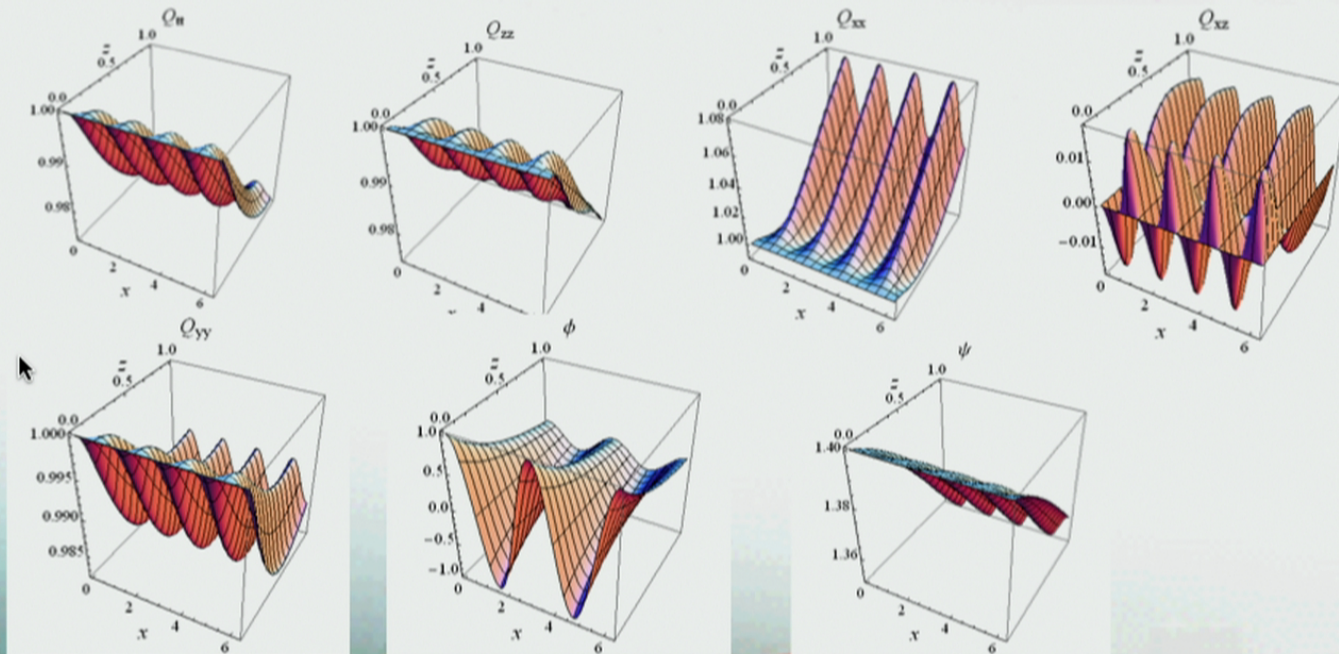


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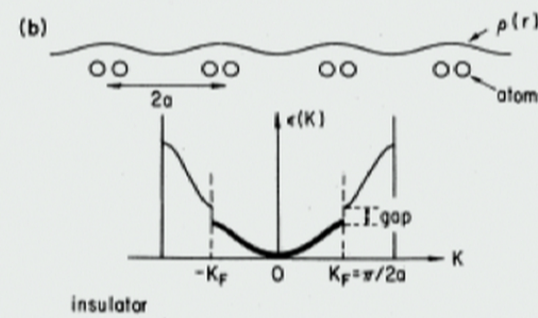
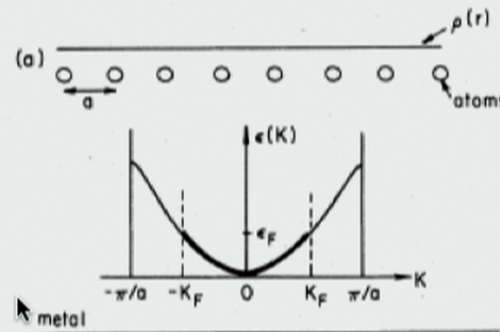
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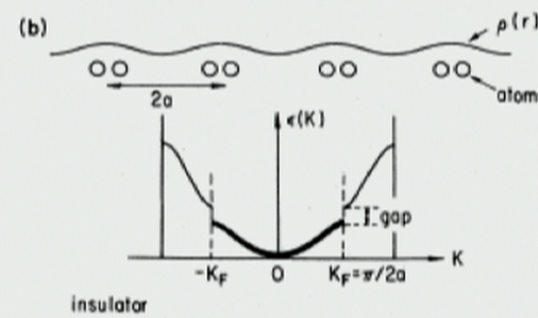
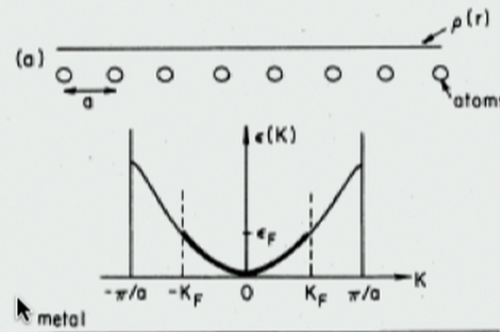
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- Motivations and recent progress

1. It is essential to introduce some mechanism inducing the **instability** of the bulk geometry which is usually of spatial homogeneity.

H. Ooguri and C. -S. Park, Phys. Rev. Lett. 106, 061601 (2011)

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2、 Non-topological terms

$$S_{non-top} \sim \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [-\frac{1}{4}t(\Phi)F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}G^{\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}u(\Phi)F^{\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu}]$$

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$$F = dA, G = dB,$$

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$$B = (1-z)\chi dt$$

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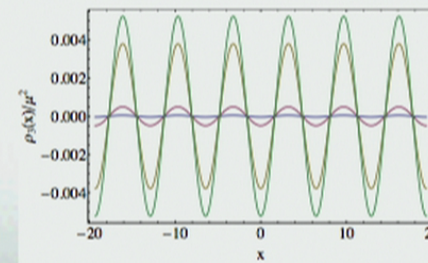
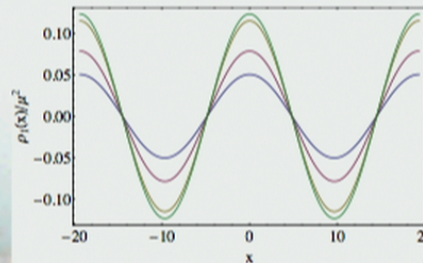
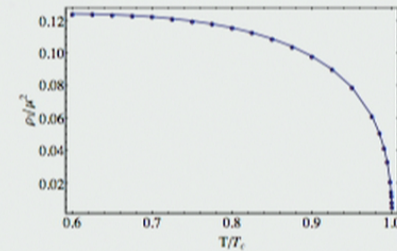


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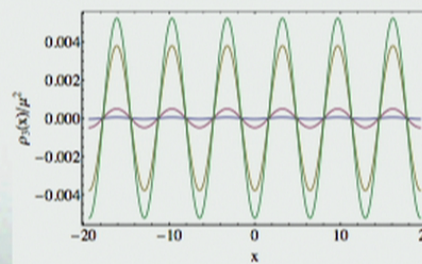
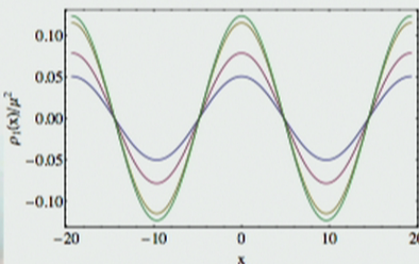
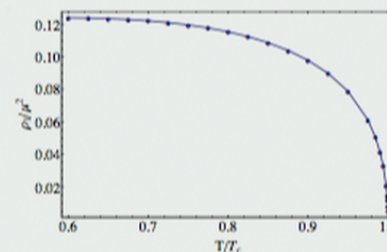
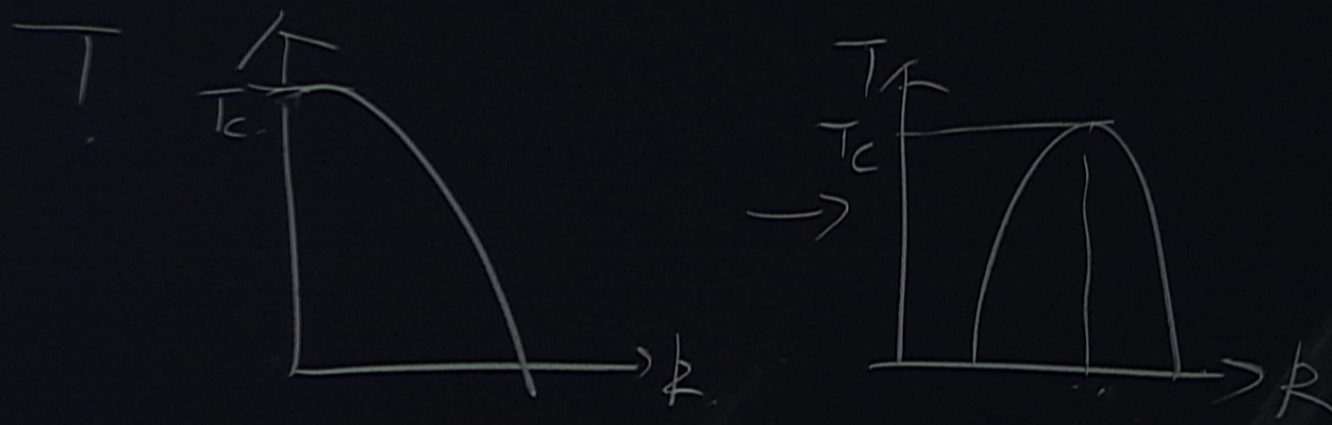
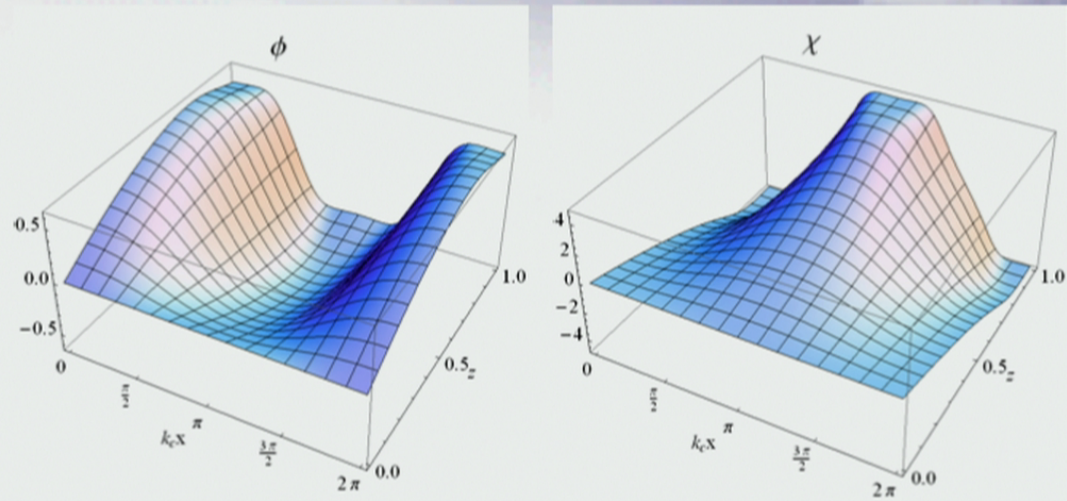


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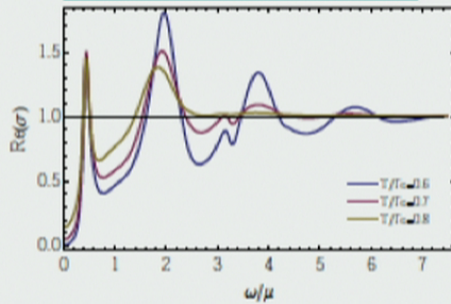


The solutions of scalar field and the time component of the gauge field at $T=0.8T_c$

- The optical conductivity

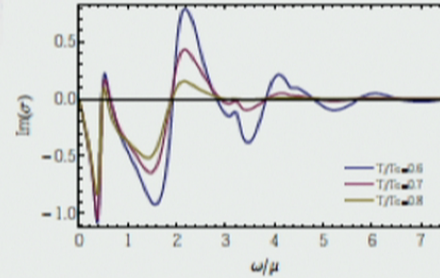
$$b_x = (1 + j_x(x)z + \dots)e^{-i\omega t}$$

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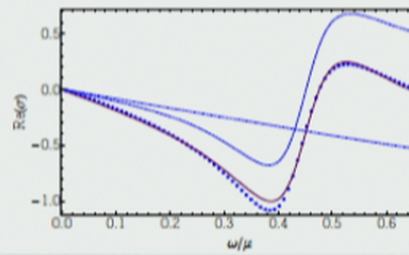
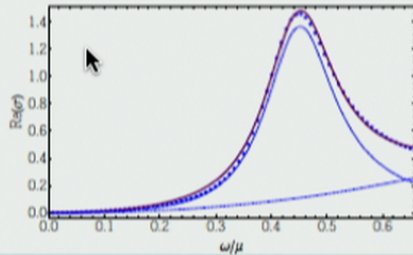
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Ionic lattice and Peierls phase transition (CDW)

- The holographic charge density waves

$$B = (1-z)\chi dt$$

$$T_c = 0.078\mu, k_c = 0.325\mu$$

$$L^2 = \frac{1}{24}, m^2 = -8$$

$$\beta = -138, \gamma = 17.1$$

Charge density

$$\rho(x) = \left(1 - \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial z} \Big|_{z=0}\right)$$

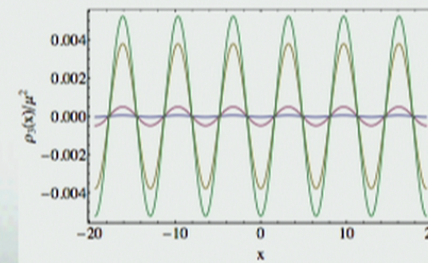
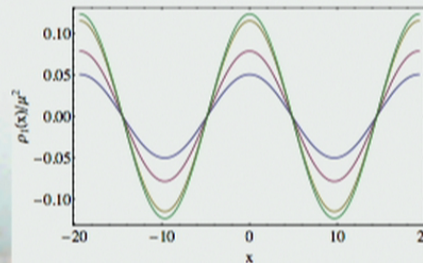
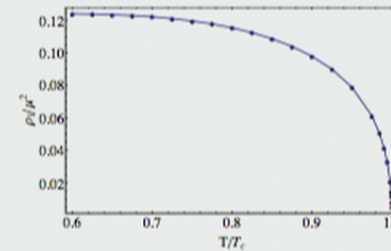
$$\chi(x, z) = 0 + z\chi_1(x) + z^2\chi_2(x) + \dots$$

$$\frac{T}{\mu} = \frac{48 - \mu^2}{16\pi\mu}$$

$$\rho(x) = \rho_1 \cos[k_c x] + \rho_3 \cos[3k_c x] + \dots$$

$$\rho_0 \equiv \rho_2 \equiv 0, \dots, \rho_1, \rho_3 \rightarrow \text{CDW}$$

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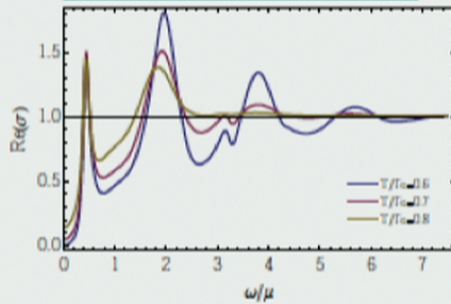


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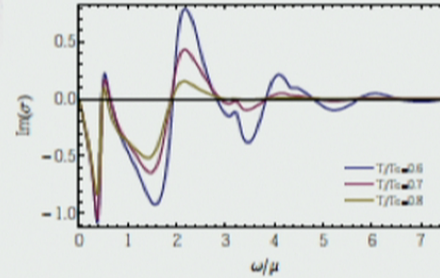
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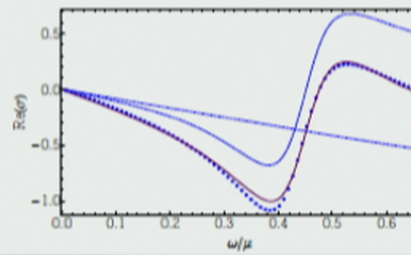
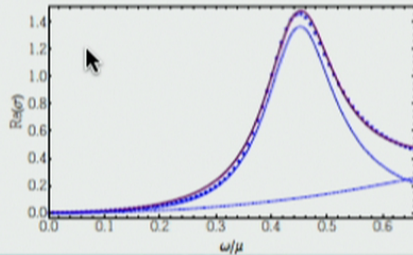
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$$\sigma(\omega) \propto K \left(\delta(\omega) - \frac{1}{i\omega^\alpha} \right)$$

Theory: The breaking of $U(1)$ gauge symmetry
Strategy: Introducing a complex scalar field

- 2、 Drude law for metals

$$\sigma = \frac{\sigma_{DC}}{1 - i\omega\tau}$$

Theory: The breaking of *translational* symmetry
Strategy: Introducing *lattice* structure

- 3、 CDW

$$\sigma_{CDW}(\omega) = \frac{K\tau}{1 - i\omega\tau(1 - \omega_0^2 / \omega^2)}$$

Theory: *Spontaneously* breaking of translational symmetry
Strategy: Introducing a *topological* term

Q-lattice and novel MIT

- 4D Setup

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[R + 6 - \frac{1}{2} F_{ab} F^{ab} - |\partial\Phi|^2 - m^2 |\Phi|^2 \right]$$

Φ : Complex scalar field

Equations of motion:

$$G_{ab} = R_{ab} + 3g_{ab} - \dots = 0$$

$$\nabla_a F^a_b = 0$$

$$(\square - m^2)\Phi = 0$$

A. Donos and J. P. Gauntlett, JHEP 1404, 040 (2014).

Q-lattice and novel MIT

- Ansatz of variables

$$\Phi = e^{ikx} z^{3-\Delta} \phi(z)$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} [-(1-z)P(z)U(z)dt^2 + \frac{1}{P(z)(1-z)U(z)} dz^2 + V_1(z)dx^2 + V_2(z)dy^2]$$

$$A = \mu(1-z)\psi(z)dt \quad \Delta = 3/2 \pm (9/4 + m^2)^{1/2} \quad P(z) = 1 + z + z^2 - \frac{\mu^2 z^3}{2}$$

- A family of three-parameter black brane solutions:

Boundary condition

$$\phi(0) = \lambda$$

$$T/\mu, \quad \lambda/\mu^{3-\Delta}, \quad k_x/\mu$$

Temperature

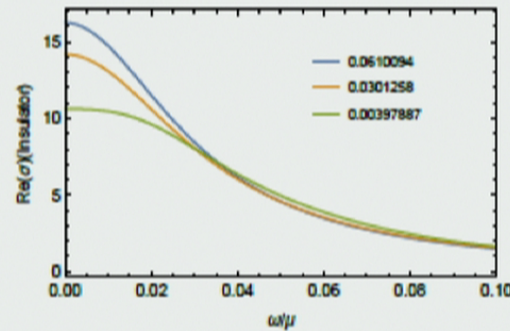
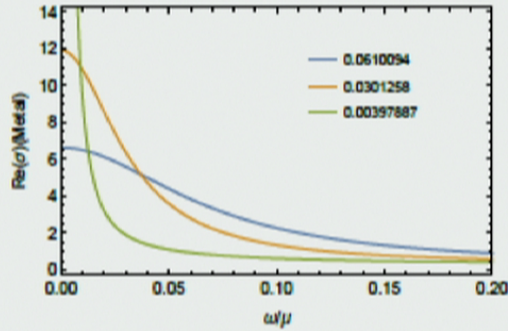
Lattice Amplitude

Wave number

Q-lattice and novel MIT

- Novel MIT:

$$\sigma_{DC} = \frac{1}{\rho_{DC}} = 0 \quad T=0$$

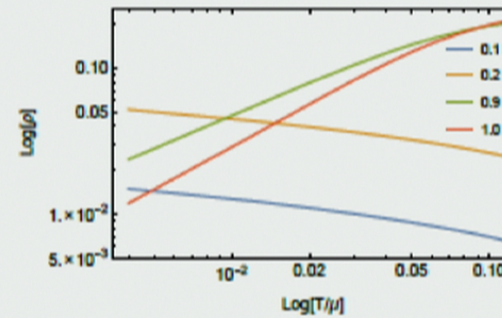


Metal

$$\frac{d\rho_{DC}}{dT} > 0$$

Insulator

$$\frac{d\rho_{DC}}{dT} < 0$$



Holographic Entanglement Entropy (HEE) close to QPT

- Holographic description of entanglement entropy:

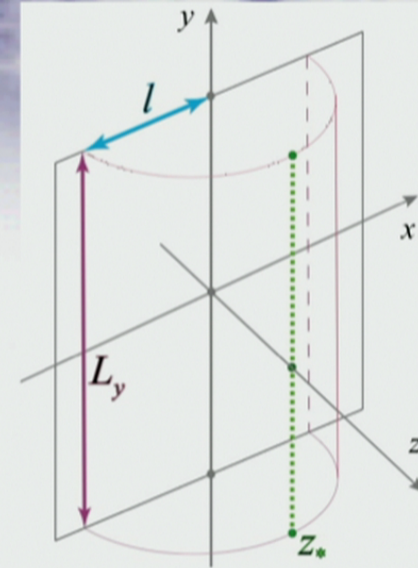
$$S_{full} = \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A)}{4G_N}$$

T. Nishioka, S. Ryu and T. Takayanagi,
J.Phys.A42:504008,2009

- The reduced HEE:

$$l = \mu \int_0^{z_*} dz z^2 \sqrt{\frac{V_1(z_*)V_2(z_*)}{P(z)V_1(z)W(z_*,z)}}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{\mu} \left\{ -\frac{1}{z_*} + \int_0^{z_*} \frac{dz}{z^2} dz \left[\frac{z_*^2 V_1(z)V_2(z)}{\sqrt{P(z)V_1(z)W(z_*,z)}} - 1 \right] \right\}$$

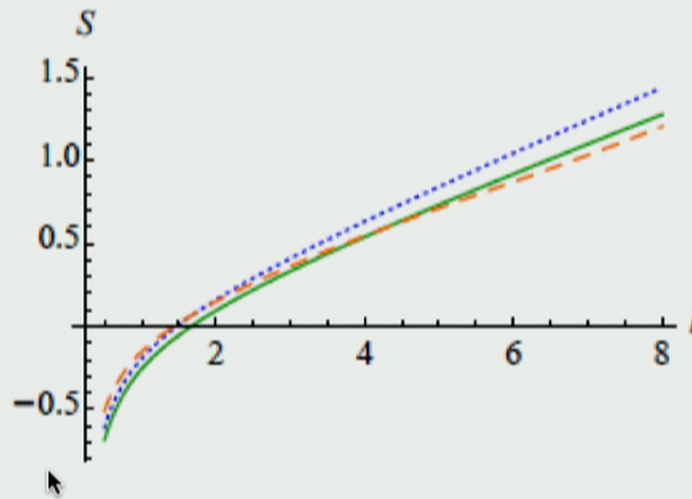


$$4G_N S_{full} = 2L_y (S + 1/\epsilon)$$

Y.Ling, et.al., arXiv:1502.03661

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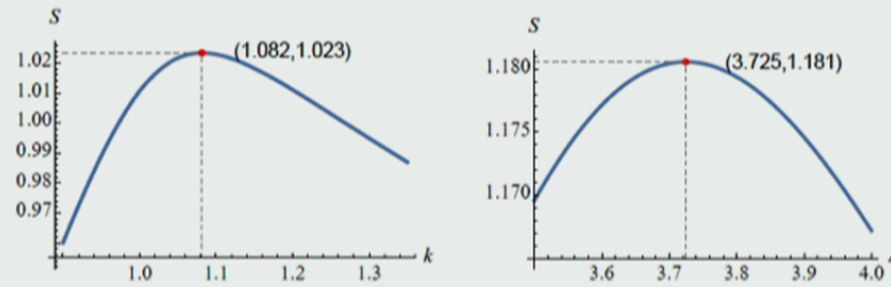


- Q-lattice dual to metallic phase
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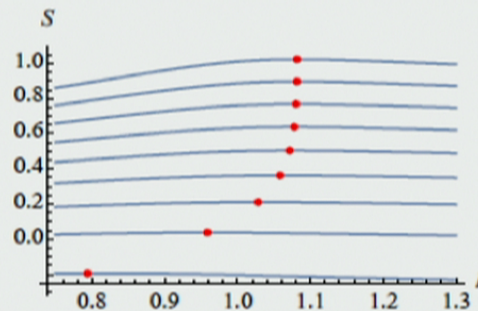
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- **Pronounced peaks :**



- **Independence of the width of the strip :**

All the strips have the same width $2l$.



The half-width of the strip l is increased from 0.91 to 5.56 uniformly.

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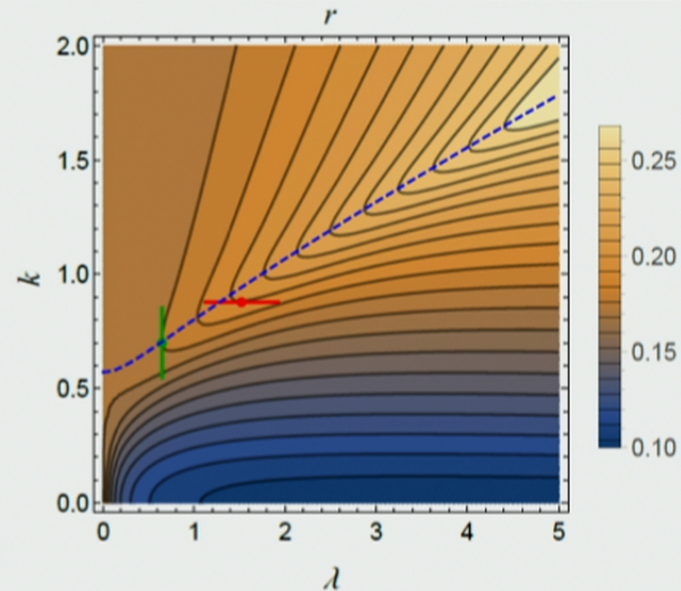
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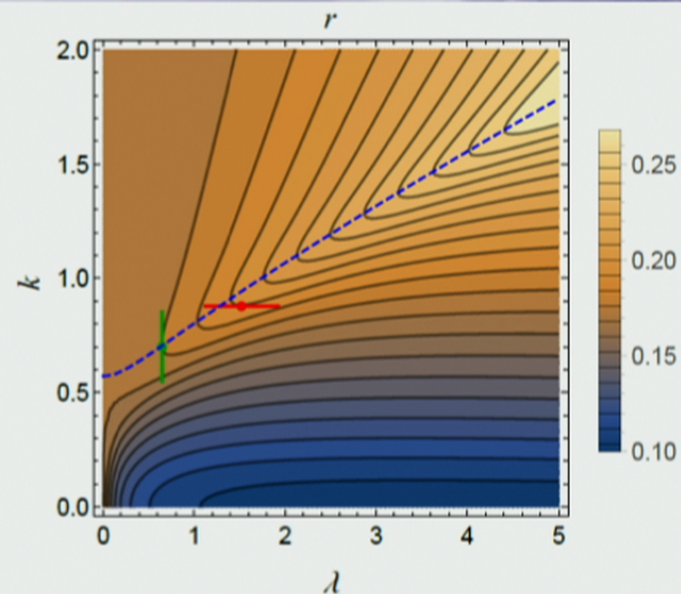
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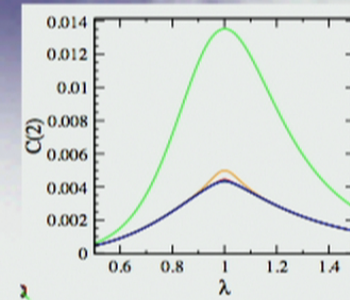
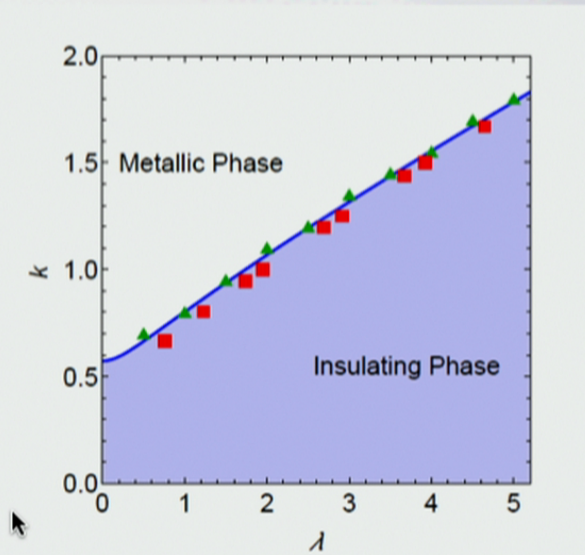
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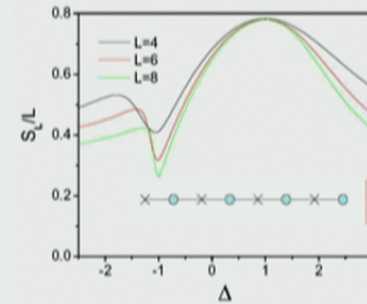
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- HEE close to QPTs :



Osterloh, *et.al.* Nature 416,608(2002).



Chen, *et.al.* New J. Phys. 8, 97(2006).

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Summary:

Gravity/Gauge duality provides power tools to understand the **strongly correlated** phenomena, including high temperature superconductivity as well as **metal-insulator transitions**. We are on the road to link theoretical models to the experiment data in near future!

Thank you !