

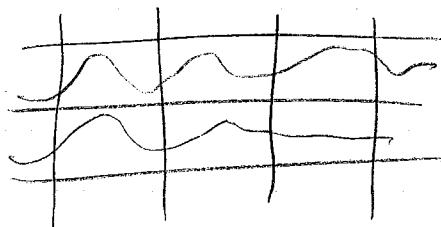
## Non-Fermi liquids from black holes

The main reference we follow in the latter part is 1003.1728v1 "From Black Holes to Strange Metals," Faulkner, Iqbal, Liu, McGreevy, Végh.

We shall start from Landau-Fermi liquid theory following Polchinski 9210046 "Effective Field Theory and the Fermi surface".

### Landau-Fermi liquids

Goal



Metal:

Lattice of ions &  
Cloud of shared electrons

We would like to determine macroscopic properties of the electron cloud, the main example being conductivity.

Results:

$R \sim T^2$  at small  $T$  in any reasonable 3+1 dim. metal

$R \sim T$  in "strange metals"

Want to understand why  $T^2$  is relatively robust and why  $R \sim T$  is surprising. Then finally we will get  $R \sim T$  from holography of AdS-RN black holes. The holographic calculation is almost identical to LF liquid one  $\rightarrow$  do LF in detail.

Build an effective field theory for electrons.  
Start from free theory and gradually add interactions

$$S_0 = \int dt d\bar{x} \psi_\sigma^\dagger \left( -i\partial_{\bar{x}} - \frac{\nabla^2}{2m} - \mu \right) \psi_\sigma$$

$$Z = \int [d\psi] e^{-S_0} = \text{Tr} \left( e^{-\beta (\hat{H} - \mu \hat{N})} \right)$$

$$\hat{N} = \int d\bar{x} \psi_\sigma^\dagger \psi_\sigma^+ = \text{fermion } \#$$

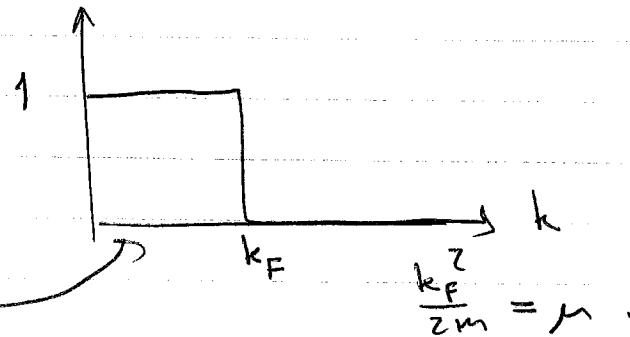
$$\hat{H} = \int d\bar{x} \psi_\sigma^\dagger \left( -\frac{\nabla^2}{2m} \right) \psi_\sigma = \int \frac{d\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\vec{k}^2}{2m} \hat{a}_{\vec{k}\sigma}^\dagger \hat{a}_{\vec{k}\sigma}$$

$$a_{\vec{k}}(x) = \int \frac{d\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \hat{a}_{\vec{k}\sigma}$$

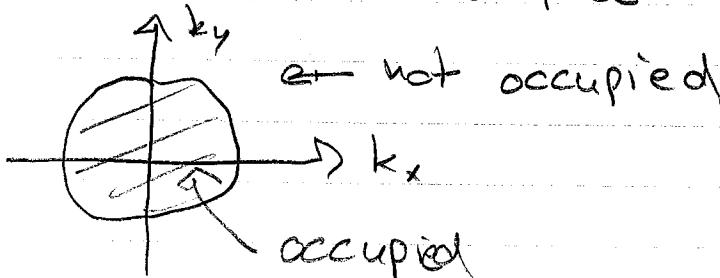
$$\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \log Z = \langle \hat{N} \rangle = 2V \int \frac{d\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} n(\vec{k})$$

$$n(\vec{k}) = \frac{1}{(e^{\beta(\frac{\vec{k}^2}{2m} - \mu)} + 1)} = \text{occupation } \# \text{ of states}$$

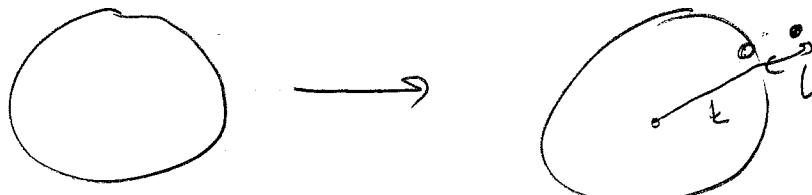
As  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$



This is the Fermi surface.



Low energy excitations near the Fermi surface  
E.g.



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Excitation energy } \omega &= \frac{(k_F + l)^2}{2m} - \frac{k_F^2}{2m} \\ &= \frac{k_F l}{m} + \mathcal{O}(l^2) = v_F l + \mathcal{O}(l^2) \end{aligned}$$

Fermi velocity.

Gapless d.c.f at finite momentum.

A simple way to see them (generalizes to holography)

$$G_E(i\omega_n, k) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \frac{k^2}{2m} + \mu} = \langle T_E \phi(t, i\omega_n) \phi^\dagger(t, -i\omega_n) \rangle$$

Analytic continuation to real time

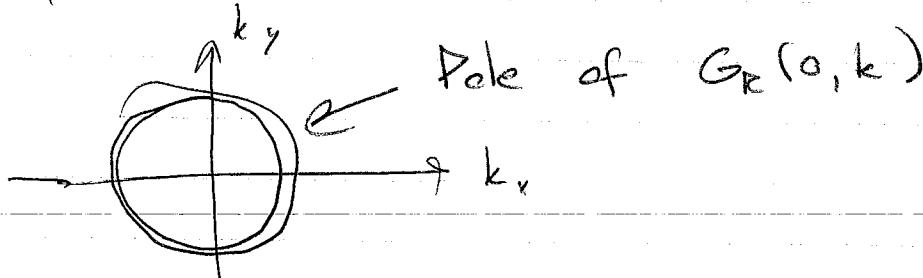
$$G_R(\omega, k) = G_E(i\omega_n = \omega + i\varepsilon)$$

$$G_R(0, k) = \frac{1}{\omega - \frac{k^2}{2m} + \mu + i\varepsilon} \approx \frac{1}{\omega - v_F l + i\varepsilon}$$

Has pole at  $\omega = \frac{k^2}{2m} - \mu \approx v_F l$ .

Diagnosis for a Fermi surface

$$G_R(0, k)^{-1} = 0$$



## Add interactions (Polchinski §2.10046)

Upshot: At low energies all interactions can be taken into account by adding

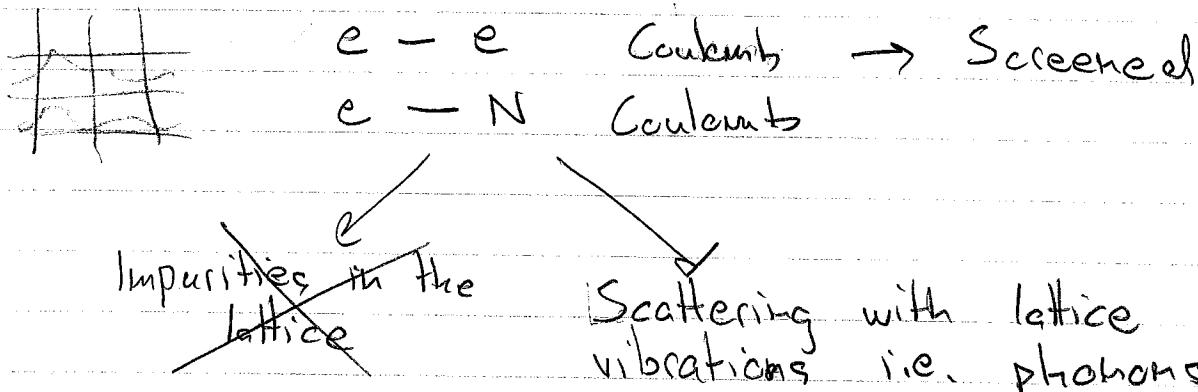
$$S_{\text{int}} = \int dt d\vec{x} \lambda \psi_-^\dagger \psi_- \psi_+^\dagger \psi_+$$

~~X~~ Local  $\phi^4$  interaction.

$\lambda > 0$  irrelevant

$\lambda < 0$  relevant  $\Rightarrow$  Fermion binding & BCS

What are the interactions? Electrodynamics

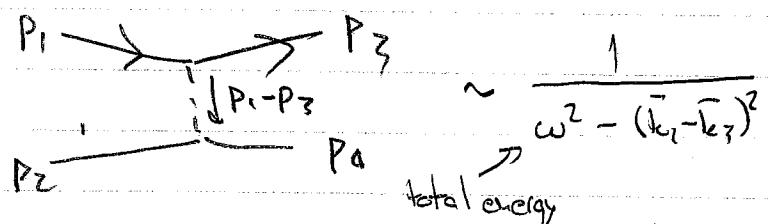


Otherwise seem local except phonons.

Quick argument against phonons:

$$\frac{1}{\omega^2 - k^2}$$

Important: Low E limit is at  $\omega \rightarrow 0$   
 $|k_f| \rightarrow k_f$



$$\sim \frac{1}{\omega^2 - (\vec{k}_1 - \vec{k}_3)^2}$$

Except unimportant forward scattering  
 $= \text{const.}$

$\rightarrow$  RG implies that we are doomed to end up with almost free fermions.

### Interactions Z: Origin of dissipation

2-loop correction to  $G_R$

$$\sum' = \cancel{\rightarrow} \circlearrowleft \rightarrow$$

$$G_R = \frac{-1}{\omega - \frac{k^2}{2m} + \mu + \Sigma}, \quad \text{Im } \Sigma = \frac{1}{\tau}$$

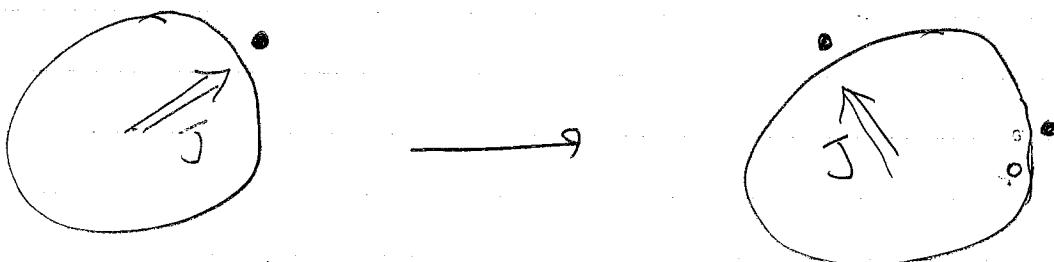
Lifetime of  
quasiparticles

Le Bellac  
"Thermal field  
theory" p. 72  
Use optical theorem to simplify calculation

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \text{Im}(-\Theta) = \int d\Gamma \left| \rightarrow \begin{smallmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ k_3 \end{smallmatrix} \right|^2 \delta^4(k - k_1 - k_2 - k_3)$$

Phase space of  $k_1, k_2, k_3$

Physically: Particle decays to two particles & 1 hole



This dissipates the current

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \sim \lambda^2 \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 \delta(\omega + \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3) \delta^3(\vec{k} - \vec{k}_1 - \vec{k}_2 - \vec{k}_3) \times n(k_1)(1-n(k_2))(1-n(k_3))$$

↑              ↑              ↑  
No particle    Particle    Particle

Separate the integral into energies and angles

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \sim \frac{\beta T^2 + \omega^2}{1 + e^{-\beta \omega}} \xrightarrow{\omega=0} T^2$$

The integral is evaluated in Nozieres & Pines around p. 62 - 63 "The theory of quantum liquids"

$$\text{Im } \sum = \frac{1}{\pi} \sim T^2$$

## Appendix on decay rate

$$\int d\vec{k}_1 d\vec{k}_2 d\vec{k}_3 \delta^3(\vec{k} - \vec{k}_1 - \vec{k}_2 - \vec{k}_3)$$

$$\vec{k}_j = \hat{n}_j k, \quad \omega = \frac{k^2}{2m} - \mu, \quad \frac{dk_j}{dk} = \frac{1}{k}$$

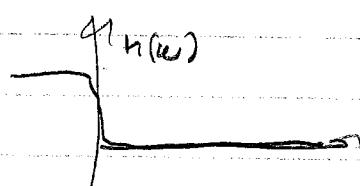
$$\begin{aligned} \int dk_j &= \int dh_j, \quad \int dk_j k_j^2 = \int dh_j \underbrace{\int d\omega_j \left( \frac{dk_j}{d\omega_j} k_j^2 \right)}_{\frac{k_j^3}{m}} \\ &\approx \frac{k_F^3}{m} \int dh_j d\omega_j \end{aligned}$$

Geometric factor,

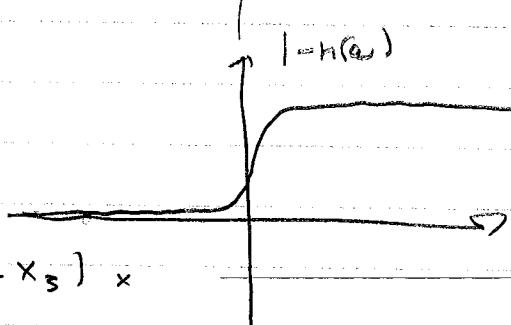
$$\begin{aligned} &\int dh_1 dh_2 dh_3 \frac{1}{k_F^3} \delta^3(\vec{h} - \vec{h}_1 - \vec{h}_2 - \vec{h}_3) \times \\ &\times \int d\omega_1 d\omega_2 d\omega_3 \frac{k_F^3}{m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{T} \sim \int d\omega_1 d\omega_2 d\omega_3 \delta(\omega + \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3) \times \\ \times n(+\omega_1)(1 - n(\omega_2))(1 - n(\omega_3))$$

$$n(\omega) = \frac{1}{e^{B\omega} + 1}$$



$$x_j = \beta \omega_j, \quad \omega \rightarrow 0$$



$$\frac{1}{T} \sim \frac{1}{\beta^3} \int dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \beta \delta(x_1 - x_2 - x_3) \times$$

$$\times n(x_1)(1 - n(x_2))(1 - n(x_3))$$

$$\sim T^{-2} \left( \text{integral} \right)$$

## Conductivity

Use linear response

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega} G_R^{JJ}(\omega, t=0)$$

Quick & dirty almost derivation:

$$\langle j_x(\omega, k) \rangle = \langle j_x(\omega, k) e^{i \int d\omega' k' A_x(\omega', k')} \rangle, E_x = i\omega k,$$

$$\approx \langle j_x(\omega, k) \rangle + i \int d\omega' k' A_x(\omega', k') \langle j_x(\omega, k) j_x(\omega', k') \rangle + \dots$$

$$\langle \delta j_x(\omega, k) \rangle = \frac{1}{i\omega} i\omega k A_x(-\omega, -k) \underbrace{i \langle j_x(\omega, k) j_x(-\omega, -k) \rangle}_{G_R(\omega, k)}$$

$$\langle \delta j_x \rangle = \frac{G_R(\omega)}{i\omega} E_x \equiv \sigma(\omega) E_x(\omega)$$

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega} G_R(\omega)$$

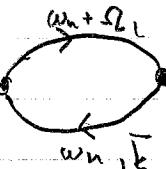
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$$j_x = \frac{e}{m} \nabla \phi$$

$$\omega_R = \frac{\hbar}{m}$$

# Conductivity

Assume

$$+\sum_{\vec{k}} \frac{1}{\omega_m - i(\omega_m + \Omega_L) - \omega_1} \frac{1}{i\omega_m - \omega_2} = \frac{n(\omega_1) - n(\omega_2)}{\omega_1 - i\Omega_L - \omega_2}$$


$$\hat{j}_x = \frac{1}{m} \hat{\psi}^\dagger (-i\vec{p}_x) \hat{\psi}$$

$$\langle \hat{j}_j(\vec{r}, \omega_1, \vec{k}) \hat{j}_j(\vec{r}, -\omega_2, \vec{k}) \rangle = - \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^3} + \sum_{\omega_m} \left( \frac{q}{m} \right)^2 k_j k_j$$

$$* G_E(\omega_m + \Omega_L, \vec{k}) G_E(\omega_m, \vec{k}) = G_E^{jj}$$

$$G_E(\Omega_L, \vec{k}) = G_R(\omega = i\Omega_L, \vec{k})$$

$$= \frac{h}{\omega - v_F l - \Sigma(\omega, \vec{k})}$$

$$\Sigma = -\theta + \dots = \omega + i(a\omega^2 + b\tau^2)$$

Spectral function

$$f_B = 2 \operatorname{Im}(G_R) \Big|_{\omega \in R} = \frac{2h \operatorname{Im} \Sigma}{(\omega - v_F l - \operatorname{Re} \Sigma)^2 + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma^2}$$

$$G_R(\omega, \vec{k}) = \int \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \frac{f_B(\omega', \vec{k})}{\omega - \omega' + i\epsilon}$$

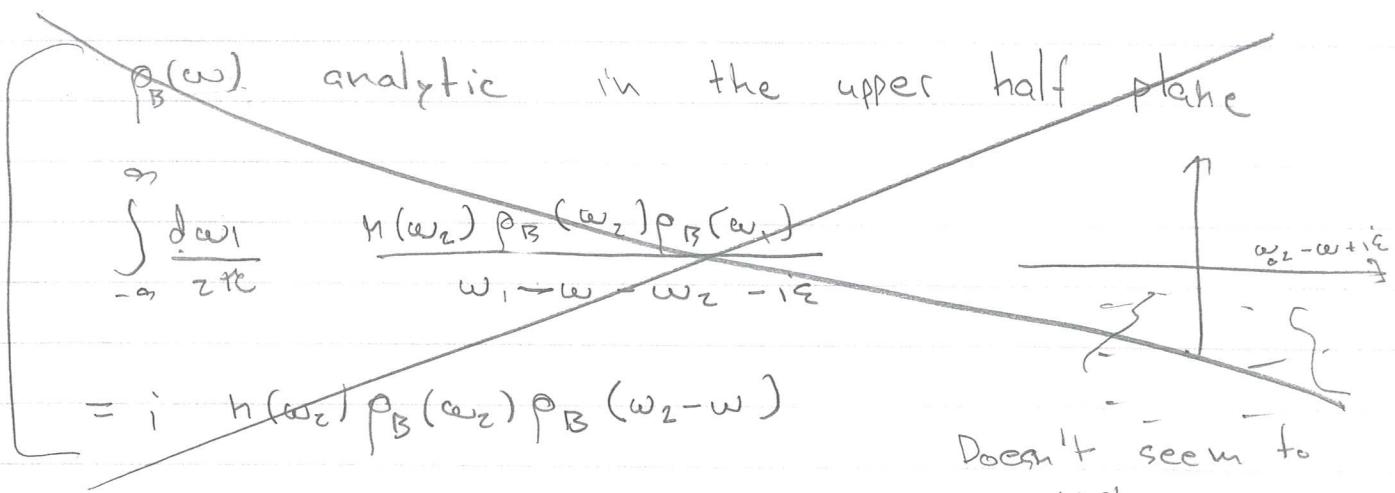
$$G_E(\omega_L, \vec{k}) = \int \frac{d\omega'}{2\pi} \frac{f_B(\omega', \vec{k})}{i\Omega_L - \omega'}$$

$$\frac{h(\omega - v_F l - \operatorname{Re} \Sigma + i\operatorname{Im} \Sigma)}{(\omega - v_F l - \operatorname{Re} \Sigma)^2 + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_E^{JJ} &= -T \sum_{mn} \left(\frac{g}{m}\right)^2 \int \frac{d\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^D} k_i k_j \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \times \\
 &\quad \times \frac{1}{i(\omega_n + \Sigma_L) - \omega_1} \frac{1}{i\omega_m - \omega_2} \rho_B(\omega_1) \rho_B(\omega_2) \\
 &= T \left(\frac{g}{m}\right)^2 \int \frac{d\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^D} k_i k_j \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \frac{n(\omega_1) - n(\omega_2)}{\omega_1 - i\Sigma_L - \omega_2} \rho_B(\omega_1) \rho_B(\omega_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we can take  $i\Sigma_L \rightarrow i\varepsilon + \omega$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma(\omega) = +\frac{1}{i\omega} G_R^{JJ}(\omega) &= -\frac{1}{i\omega} \left(\frac{g}{m}\right)^2 \int \frac{d\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^D} k_i k_j \times \\
 &\quad \times \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \frac{n(\omega_1) - n(\omega_2)}{\omega_1 - \omega - \omega_2 - i\varepsilon} \rho_B(\omega_1) \rho_B(\omega_2)
 \end{aligned}$$



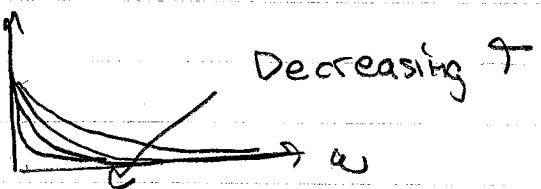
$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{\omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega - i\varepsilon} &= \frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega}{(\omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega)^2 + \varepsilon^2} + i \frac{\varepsilon}{(\omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega)^2 + \varepsilon^2} \\
 &= P\left(\frac{1}{\omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega}\right) + i\varepsilon \delta(\omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega)
 \end{aligned}$$

Fogmat argument  $G_R^*(\omega) = -G_R(-\omega)$

$\Rightarrow G_R(c) = -G_R(-c) \Rightarrow$  Has to be imaginary

$$\sigma_{DC}^{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{q}{m}\right)^2 \int \frac{d\bar{k}}{(2\pi)} k^i k^j \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{\partial n(\omega)}{\partial \omega} g_B(\omega, k)^2$$

$$n(\omega) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta\omega} + 1}$$



$$\sigma_{DC}^{ij} = - \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{\partial n(\omega)}{\partial \omega} I(\omega, k, T)$$

$$I(\omega, k, T) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{q}{m}\right)^2 \int \frac{d\bar{k}}{(2\pi)} k^i k^j g_B(\omega, k, T)^2$$

Bigger contribution from where the states are & where  $\partial n / \partial \omega \neq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Near fermi surface

$$g_B(\omega, k) = \frac{2\hbar \text{Im } \Sigma}{(\omega - \nu_F l - \text{Re } \Sigma)^2 + (\text{Im } \Sigma)^2}$$

Small  $\omega$ ,  $\Sigma = \text{const.}$  & assume not a fast function of momentum

$$\int d\bar{k} k^i k^j \sim \delta^{ij} k_F^{D+1} \int dl$$

We should perform the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dl \left( \frac{1}{(l+a)^2 + b^2} \right)^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dl}{(l^2 + b^2)^2} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{b^3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 1)^2} = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{(\text{Im } \Sigma)^3}$$

$$\Gamma^{ij} \propto \delta^{ij} \left(\frac{q}{m}\right)^2 k_F^{D+1} h^2 \frac{1}{(\text{Im } \Sigma)}$$

$$\int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{\partial n(\omega)}{\partial \omega} = \int \frac{dw}{2\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial w} (e^w + 1)^{-1}$$

$$w = \frac{\omega}{T}$$

$$= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dw}{2\pi} \frac{e^w}{(e^w + 1)^2} = - \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

$$\sigma_{DC}^{ij} \propto \delta^{ij} \left(\frac{q}{m}\right)^2 k_F^{D+1} T^{-1}, \quad T^{-1} = \text{Im } \Sigma$$

$$R = \frac{1}{G_{DC}^{xx}} \sim \frac{1}{T} \sim T^2$$

In a Fermi liquid directly related to current dissipation and lifetime of carriers, and  $R \sim T^2$ .

In a theory with fermions only the RG arguments suggest that one can only get higher powers of  $T$  in  $R$ , making the  $T^2$  scaling at low  $T$  a robust prediction of fermion systems.

## Holographic setup

U(1) chemical potential  $A_\mu, A_\phi \neq 0$

Fermions  $\underline{\Psi}$

$$S = \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{-g} \left( R - 2\Lambda - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i \bar{\Psi} (\not{D} - m) \Psi \right)$$

Finite  $T, \mu$  state,  $AdS - kN$ .

Assume no scalars will destabilize it.

$$ds^2 = r^2 \left( -h dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 \right) + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 h}$$

$$h = 1 - (1 + \rho^2) \left(\frac{r_H}{r}\right)^3 + \rho^2 \left(\frac{r_H}{r}\right)^4$$

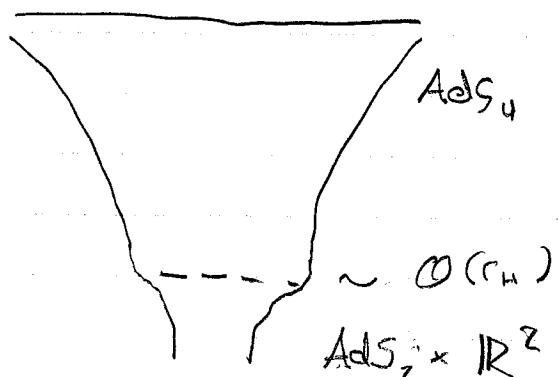
$$M = (1 + \rho^2) r_H^3, Q = \rho r_H^2, T_H = \frac{|h'((r_H))|}{4\pi}$$

Increase  $\rho^2$  from 0 to 3

$$h^{\rho=3} = \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{r_H}{r}\right)^2 \left(1 + 2 \frac{r_H}{r} + 3 \frac{r_H}{r}\right)}_{\text{Double pole}} , t = \mu \left(1 - \frac{r_H}{r}\right) dt$$

Double pole  $\not{t}$  vanishes

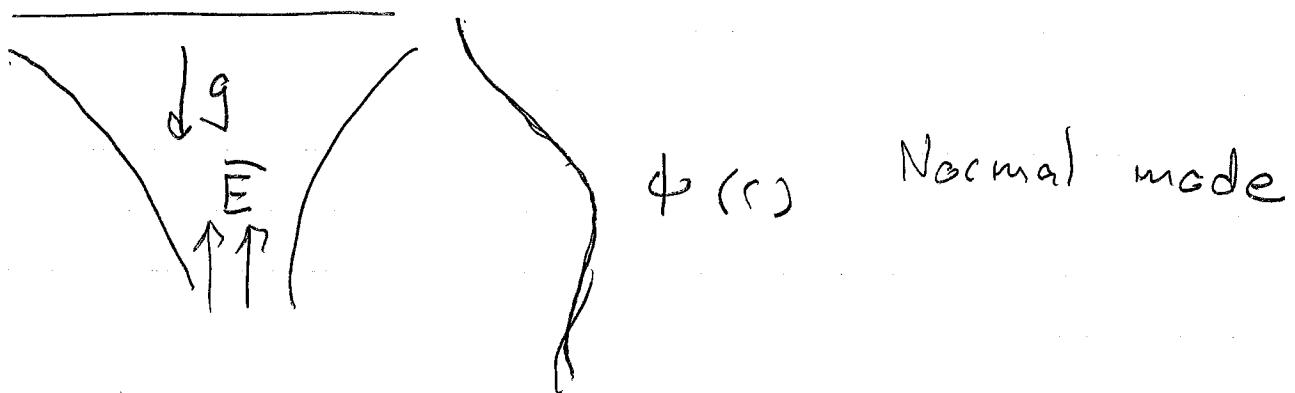
$$ds^2 \sim - (r - r_H)^2 dt^2 + \underbrace{\frac{dr^2}{(r - r_H)^2}}_{AdS_2?} + r_H^2 d\vec{x}^2$$



Look for a Fermi surface from singularities of Fermion 2-pt. function

$$G_R(\omega=0, k=k_F)^{-1} = 0$$

Fermion solution which satisfies ingoing boundary conditions and is normalizable near AdS boundary. Only possible to satisfy for some specific values of  $k$ .



Competition btwn. two effects gravity & Electric field.

If  $E = \partial_r A_t = 0$  Fermion falls down due to gravity  $\Rightarrow$  No static normal mode

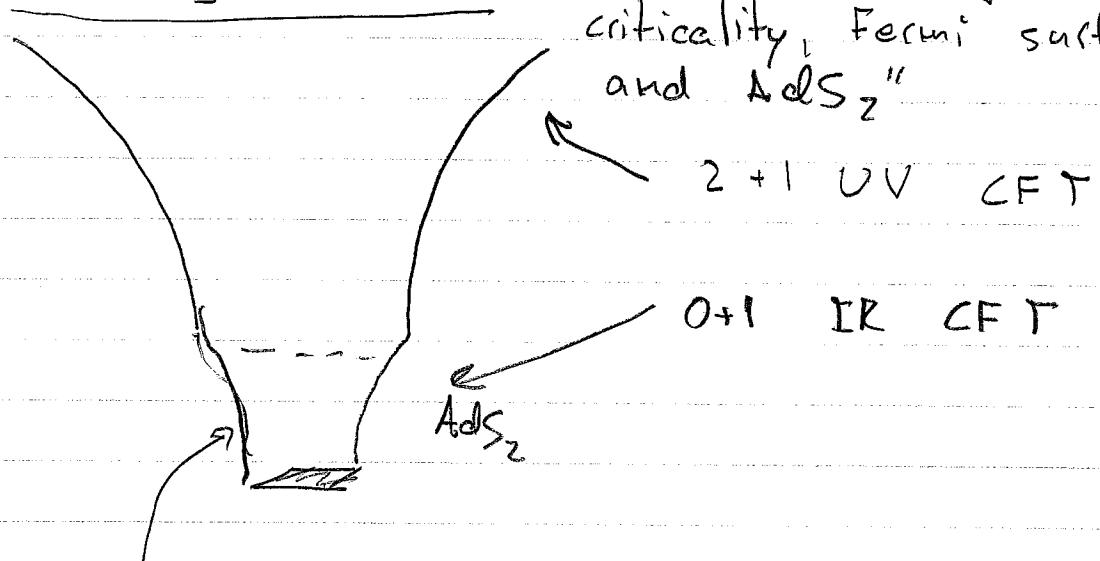
Need to turn on  $E$  to balance gravity.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Fermi surface is a finite density effect.

Solve Fermion eq numerically  
 $\Rightarrow$  One spherical singular surface.

Finite  $T$  &  $\omega$  smooth the singularity.

Liu, Mcgreevy, Vegh "Non-Fermi liquids from holography" 0903.2477v3

Matching method: 0907.2694 "Emergent quantum criticality, Fermi surfaces and  $\text{AdS}_2$ "



Solve Fermion eq analytically in  $\text{AdS}_2$  & match into a perturbative expansion in  $\omega$  &  $T$  in UV

$$G_F(\omega, k) \sim \frac{\hbar}{\omega - v_F l + \sum(\omega, T)}$$

$$\sum(\omega, T=0) \sim \omega^{2V}, V = \sqrt{m^2 + k_F^2 - q^2}$$

$$\sum \begin{cases} \omega - v_F l & \text{UV effect} \\ " & " \\ \text{IR effect} & \end{cases} \begin{cases} & \\ & \\ & \text{Fermion charge} \end{cases}$$

$\omega^{2V}$  follows from symmetries of  $\text{AdS}_2$

$$\Delta(\tilde{G}_F) = \frac{1}{2} + V$$

$$\begin{cases} V < 1/2 & \text{relevant} \Rightarrow \text{no quasiparticles} \\ V = 1/2 & \text{marginal} \\ V > 1/2 & \text{irrelevant} \Rightarrow \text{quasiparticles} \end{cases}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sum \sim a\omega + b\omega \log \omega$$

"Marginal"

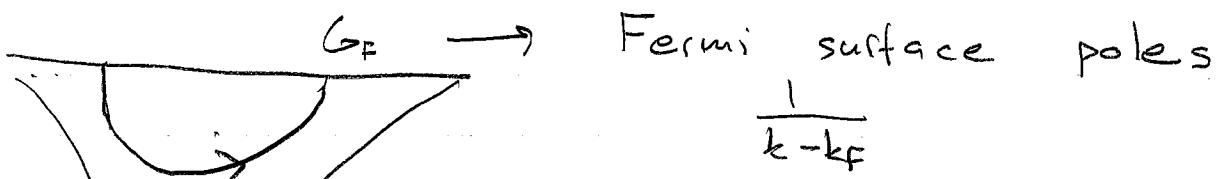
Fermi liquid

$$\sum(\omega=0, T) \sim T^{2V}$$

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$v_k = \frac{1}{2}$  agrees with "marginal Fermi liquid" ansatz for cuprates; Varma, Littlewood, Schmitt-Rink, Abrahams, Ruckenstein, PRL 63, 1996 (1989) "Phenomenology of the normal state of Cu-O High T superconductors"

### 1-loop conductivity



Quasiparticle decay controlled by near horizon region.  $\omega^{2v_k}$

Fermi surface in the bulk

→ Fermi surface in the boundary  
To see it no need to construct it explicitly, just use grand canonical Hamiltonian, to find poles.

Fermi surface in bulk is a bulk quantum effect. Fermion charge density  $O(1/N^2)$  smaller than BH charge density,

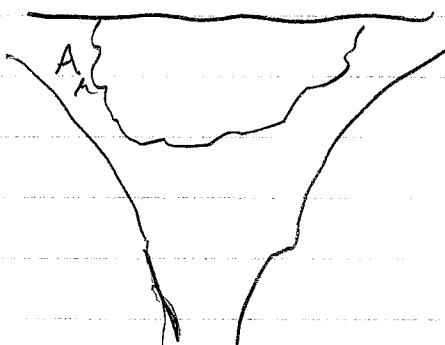
$$\int [dg dA d\Phi] e^{-N^2 S_{\text{grav}}}$$

$$= \int [dg dA] e^{-\underbrace{N^2 S_{\text{grav}}}_{O(N^2)}} + \underbrace{T \log (\mathcal{D} - m)}_{O(1)}$$

For example the fermion backreaction to the geometry is an  $1/N^2$  effect.

Conductivity  $\langle J^\mu J^\nu \rangle \rightarrow \langle A^\mu A^\nu \rangle$

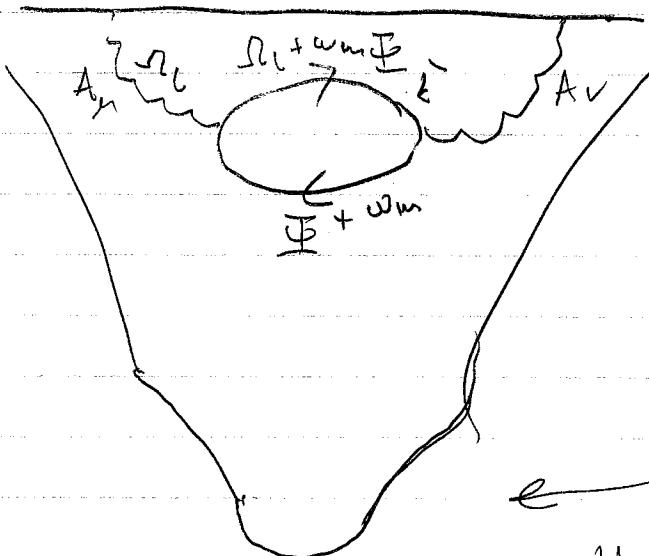
$$S_{\text{bulk}} = N^2 \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right)$$



$$\sigma(\omega) = A \frac{i}{\omega} + B\omega^2 + C\tau^2$$

$$\sigma_{\text{DC}} = \delta(0) + C\tau^2 + \dots$$

This doesn't know anything about bulk fermions.



Do Euclidean calculation & in the end analytically continue.

$$G_R(\omega, k) = G_E(\Omega_1, k) \Big|_{\Omega_1 \rightarrow \epsilon - i\omega}$$

Don't have to use real time formalisms or what's behind the horizon.

$$K_A(r, i\Omega_1) = \overline{\langle \rangle}_r$$

Bulk to boundary  
propagator for  $\Phi_\mu$

$$D_E(r_1, r_2; i\omega_n) = \overline{\langle \rangle}_{r_1, r_2}$$

Bulk to bulk propagator  
for  $\Phi$

$$G_E \sim T \sum_{\omega_n} \int d\vec{k} dr_1 dr_2 D_E(r_1, r_2; i\Omega_1 + i\omega_n, \vec{k}) \times$$

$$K_A(r_1; i\Omega_1) D_E(r_2, r_1; i\omega_n, \vec{k}) K_A(r_2; -i\Omega_1)$$

↑  
Fermion Matsubara

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Boson Matsubara

Important technicalities:

$$1) D_E(r_1, r_2; i\omega_n, \vec{k}) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{g(r_1, r_2; \omega, \vec{k})}{i\omega_n - \omega}$$

Spectral rep.

$$2) \psi(r) \underset{\omega, k}{\text{normalizable spinor wavefunction in bulk}}$$

$$g(r_1, r_2; \omega, \vec{k}) = \psi((\omega, \vec{k}) \rho_B(\omega, \vec{k}) \bar{\psi}(r_2; \omega, \vec{k})$$

↑  
Boundary spectral function

Can perform  $r$  integrals

$$G_E \sim T \sum_{\omega_n} \int d\bar{k} \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \int dr_1 dr_2 \times$$

$$\times \frac{\phi(r_1; \omega_1, k) \rho(\omega_1, k) \bar{\phi}(r_2; \omega_1, k)}{i\Omega_L + i\omega_n - \omega_1} K_A(r_1, i\Omega_L)$$

$$\times \frac{\phi(r_2; \omega_2, k) \rho(\omega_2, k) \bar{\phi}(r_1; \omega_2, k)}{i\omega_n - \omega_2} K_A(r_2, -i\Omega_L)$$

$$\Lambda(\omega_1, \omega_2, i\Omega_L, \bar{k}) = \int dr_1 \phi(r_1; \omega_1, k) K_A(r_1, i\Omega_L) \bar{\phi}(r_1; \omega_2, k)$$

Perform Matsubara sum

$$T \sum_{\omega_n} \frac{1}{i\Omega_L + i\omega_n - \omega_1} \frac{1}{i\omega_n - \omega_2} = \frac{n(\omega_1) - n(\omega_2)}{\omega_1 - i\Omega_L - \omega_2}$$

Then analytically continue  $i\Omega_L \rightarrow \Omega + i\varepsilon$   
to Minkowski

$$G_R^{(\omega)} \sim T \int d\bar{k} \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \Lambda(\omega_1, \omega_2, \Omega, k) \Lambda(\omega_2, \omega_1, -\Omega, k) \times$$

$$\times \rho_B(\omega_1, k) \rho_B(\omega_2, k) \frac{n(\omega_1) - n(\omega_2)}{\omega_1 - \Omega - \omega_2 - i\varepsilon}$$

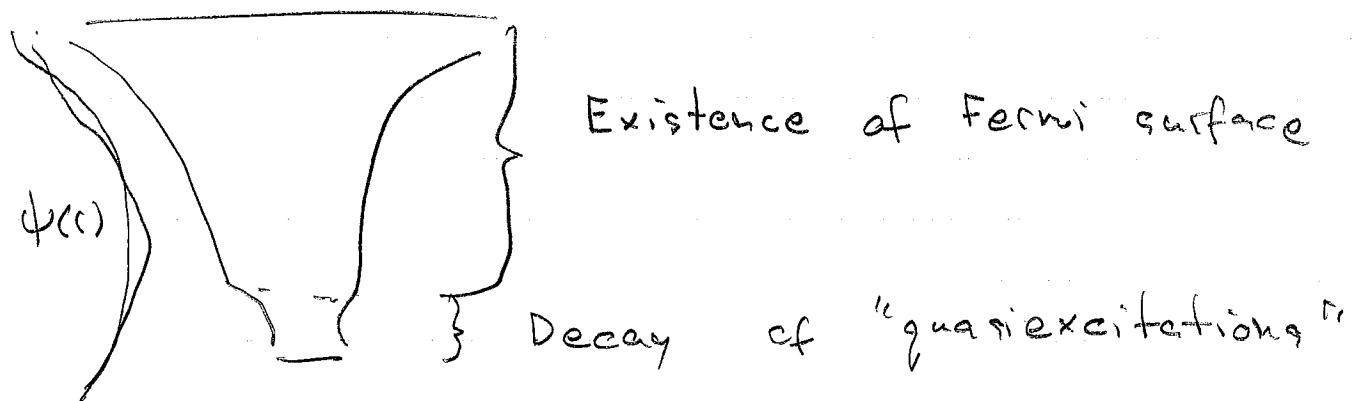
of

This is formally the same form as Fermi liquid with "effective vertices"  $\Lambda$ .

All the complication is in  $\Lambda$ .

This simplifies dramatically by arguing that the dominant law & contribution comes from near the Fermi surface.

Still  $\lambda$  could be terrible. The key point is that there is a "separation of scales",



$\psi(\epsilon)$  &  $\lambda$  have no specifically fast  $\omega$  dependence near Fermi surface

$\Rightarrow$  Near Fermi surface can simply approximate  $\lambda$  by constant. This is argued in more detail in the paper.

$\Rightarrow$  We get exactly the Fermi gas result

$$\sigma_{DC} \sim \frac{h_1^2}{Im \Sigma}$$

except now  $h_1$  &  $Im \Sigma$  have different T dependence.

$$Im \Sigma \sim T^{2\nu_k}, h_1 \sim \text{const}$$

$$\sigma_{DC} \sim T^{-2\nu_k}$$

$$R = \frac{1}{\sigma_{DC}} \sim T^{2\nu_k}$$

"Marginal Fermi liquid" case  $\nu_k = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\boxed{R \sim T}$$

In holographic non-Fermi liquids, current dissipation controlled by 1-particle decay rate (not always the case e.g. Fermions coupled to gapless bosons).