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- Effect of disorder on QPT's
- Cuprates, a case study: got nematic?
- Look out


## Đffects of disorder on QPT's

- Disorder is quenched
-perfectly correlated along the $\tau$ direction
-correlations increase the disorder effect (harder to average out fluctuation)


Disorder generically has stronger effects on QPT's than on classical transitions

Ref: T. Vojta, Journal of Phys. A, 39, 143

## Effects of disorder on Phase Transitions

- Defects, impurities are always present
- Random field v.s $T_{\mathrm{c}}$ : different effects on the classical Ising PT. (Imry-Ma, v.s. Harris)


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## Imry-Ma argument (random field)

- Random field breaks the order parameter symmetry
- Domains are pinned by the local fields
- Transition is rounded for $d \leqslant 2$
- At d=2 (lower critical dimension), domains are exponentially large


## Know your OP and the types of disorder

## Nematic QPT in cuprates?

## Nematic QCP, license to exist?

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- Nematic d-SC: d-SC + small s-component $\Delta_{d}\left(\cos k_{x}-\cos k_{y}\right)+(\lambda \phi)$

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## Looking for nematic critical fluctuations

- Self energy $\hat{\Sigma}(\vec{q}, \omega)$ due to fluctuation :k-selective decoherence


Interference of nematic quantum critical quasiparticles: a route to the octet model
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## BSCCO, got nematic?

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## Local measure of broken symmetry?


dI/dV( $\omega$ )-map
McElroy et al, Nature 422, 592 (2003)
OD $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{c}}=86 \mathrm{~K}$ ( $\mathrm{p}=$ )


R-map
Kohsaka et al, Science 315, 1380 (2007)

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\text { UD } \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{c}}=45 \mathrm{~K}(\mathrm{p}=0.08)
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0.69 1.8

Figure $\mathbf{S 7}$ a-f. A series of images displaying the real space conductance ratio $Z$ as a function of energy rescaled to the local psuedogap value, $e=E / \Delta_{1}(\mathbf{r})$. Each pixel location was rescaled independently of the others. The common color scale illustrates that the bond centered pattern appears strongest in $Z$ exactly at $E=\Delta_{1}(\mathbf{r})$.

## Z-map( $\omega$ )

Kohsaka et al, Nature 454, 1072 (2008) UD $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{c}}=45 \mathrm{~K}$


Piet Mondrian, 1915. Says he is searching for hidden order in nature...

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M. Lawler et al, in prep.

Challenge: An objective measure

## Candidate broken symmetries



- Translational symmetry

$$
\hat{T}_{a}, \hat{T}_{b}
$$

- Rotational symmetry

$$
\hat{R}_{\pi / 2}
$$

Can we separately measure?
Need a $\hat{T}_{a}, \hat{T}_{b}$ preserving order parameter

## On the shoulder of

- Relating asymmetry to a quantitative measure

$$
Z(\mathrm{r}, \mathrm{w}) \quad R(\mathrm{r})
$$

P. Anderson, N.P. Ong
J. Phys. Chem. Solids, 67,1(1993)
M.B.J. Meinders, H. Eskes, G.A. Sawatzky Phys. Rev. B, 48, 3916 (1993)
M. Randeria et al, PRL 95, 137001 (2005)

- Fourier filtering to look for stripe

$$
N_{f}(\mathbf{r}, E)=\int d \mathbf{r}^{\prime} f\left(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}^{\prime}\right) N\left(\mathbf{r}^{\prime}, E\right)
$$

$$
f(\mathbf{r}) \propto \Lambda^{2} e^{-r^{2} \Lambda^{2} / 2}[\cos (\pi x / 2 a)+\cos (\pi y / 2 a)]
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C. Howald et al,
S. Kivelson et al, PRB 67, 014533 (2003) RMP 75,1201 (2003)

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## Listen to Bragg Peaks

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V. Emery, PRL 58, 2974 (198ヶ)

Kivelson, Fradkin, Geballe, PRB 69, 144505 (2004)

## Nematic ordering in UD 45




Extracted from published data, T=4K
Kohsaka et al, Nature 454, 1072 (2008)

## Domain size in Z-map



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## Oriented stripe domains

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## Electronic Nematic in Cuprates?

## Looking ahead

- Doping dependence?
- Temperature dependence?
- Diffraction measurements?

- Phenomenological model
- Why would cuprates do that?


Is it useful for superconductivity?

